

- American Rare Donor Program (ARDP)
  - in 2011 82 members
  - 51,576 rare donors in database
  - Shipped 2131 rare units; 16 international
- Members maintain inventories; respond to requests



Rare criteria:

- Negative for high-incidence antigen (<1/1000)</li>
- Negative for multiple common antigens

Set 1—R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>0</sub>, rr; K-; Fy(a-) or Fy(b-); Jk(a-) or Jk(b-), S- or s-

Set 2—R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, rr; K-; Fy(a-b-)

IgA deficient--<0.05mg/dL</li>



Rare donor identification

- Members screen donors according to ethnicity, geographic location, etc---Tube, automation, molecular
- Antibody-positive donor on collection
- Antibody-positive patient; sibling testing

Shipping Outcome form--international shipments; developing form for national shipments



#### USA

% Unfilled Requests --2011





- Use of molecular testing
  - High-throughput platforms to screen donors 2011--screened 17,750 donors\*
  - Gene sequencing to characterize hr<sup>B</sup>-, hr<sup>S</sup>-, Uand U<sup>var+</sup> donors and patients
  - Molecular test results to 'match' donors with patients

\* Data courtesy of Margaret Keller, National Molecular Laboratory, American Red Cross



### USA

#### Number of Rare Donors Found Through Screening by Molecular —2011\*

N = 17,750

Rare Phenotype	# Donors
possible hr <sup>B</sup> -	489
Jo(a-)	102
Js(b-)	59
S-s-U <sup>var+</sup>	49
S-s-U-	33
Jo(a-) Hy-	24
Lu(b-)	13
Co(a-)	3
Di(b-)	1

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