





# Essentials: Block 2 - Immunohematology and Blood Group Genomics | 2025

## October 8, 2025, 1-2:30 ET (12-1:30 CT)

1.5 Contact Hours

**Level of Instruction** 



# **Pretransfusion Testing**

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#### Objectives

- 1. Discuss antibody isotypes and their detection in pretransfusion

  Basic
- 2. List and describe routine tests and other blood bank assays.
- 3. Compare and contrast the common blood bank methodologies: tube testing, gel testing & solid phase testing.



# **Antibody Identification**

Sarah White, MLS(ASCP)<sup>CM</sup>SBB<sup>CM</sup>, IRL Supervisor, NYBCe at Rhode Island Blood Center

### **Objectives**

- Describe the testing performed to detect and identify "unexpected antibodies."
- 2. Discuss how the results can provide clues during the antibody investigation.
- 3. Perform rule outs and interpret results of antibody panels.

**Level of Instruction** 

Intermediate

## October 15, 2025, 1-2:30 ET (12-1:30 CT)

1.5 Contact Hours



# **Common Blood Groups**

Eric Hebel, MLS(ASCP)<sup>CM</sup>, IRL/Genomics Education Specialist, NYBCe at Innovative Blood Resources

#### **Objectives**

- 1. Describe the characteristics of the common blood group antigens and their corresponding antibodies.
- 2. Assess the clinical significance of antibodies to the common blood group antigens.
- 3. Discuss transfusion recommendations when handling a sample with an antibody to a common blood group antigen.

**Level of Instruction** 

Basic

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# **Introduction to Blood Group Genotyping**

**Brad Pfaltzgraff, MS, MLS(ASCP)**<sup>CM</sup>**MB**<sup>CM</sup>**,** Supervisor, NYBCe at the National Center for Blood Group Genomics

## **Objectives**

- 1. Discuss how the analysis of blood group genes can predict the expression of red blood cell antigens.
- 2. Describe methods used in blood group genotyping.
- 3. Describe general applications of blood group genotyping in transfusion medicine.

**Level of Instruction** 

Intermediate

## October 22, 2025, 1-2:30 ET (12-1:30 CT)

1.5 Contact Hours



## **Positive DATs and Eluates**

**Chloe Homich, MLS(ASCP)**<sup>CM</sup>**SBB**<sup>CM</sup>**, CQA(ASQ),** Manager, Immunohematology Reference Lab, NYBCe at Blood Bank of Delmarva

## **Objectives**

- **Level of Instruction**
- 1. Identify potential causes of a positive Direct Antiglobulin Test (DAT).
- 2. Discuss conditions where performing an eluate is indicated.
- 3. Discuss reactivity patterns that may be observed in eluates (allovs. autoantibodies).

Intermediate



# Anti-RBC Antibodies in Transfusion Medicine: from Mechanisms to Bedside Management

**Ingrid Perez-Alvarez, MD,** Medical Director, Division of Transfusion Medicine, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center

## **Objectives**

- **Level of Instruction**
- 1. Describe how red cell antibodies form and why they matter.
- 2. Identify common clinical problems caused by these antibodies in transfusion practice.
- 3. Apply case-based approaches to safely manage patients with red cell antibodies.

Intermediate

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