

# Intra-operative Cell Salvage (IOCS)



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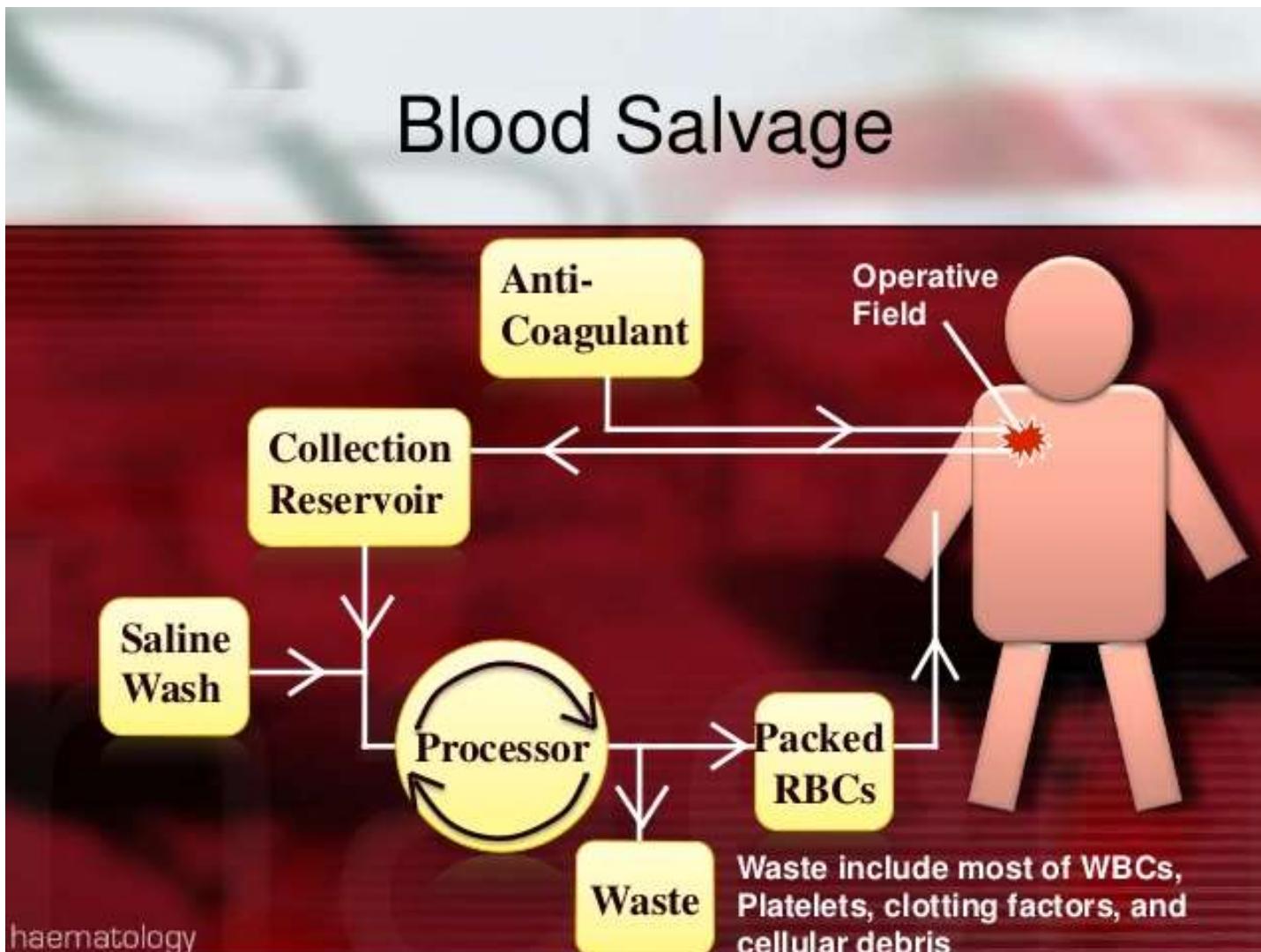
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# AIMS

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- ▶ What is IOCS?
- ▶ What are the benefits of IOCS?
- ▶ IOCS machines that are available
- ▶ The processes of IOCS
- ▶ Limitations and contra-indications
- ▶ Incident reporting/networking & support

# What is IOCS?

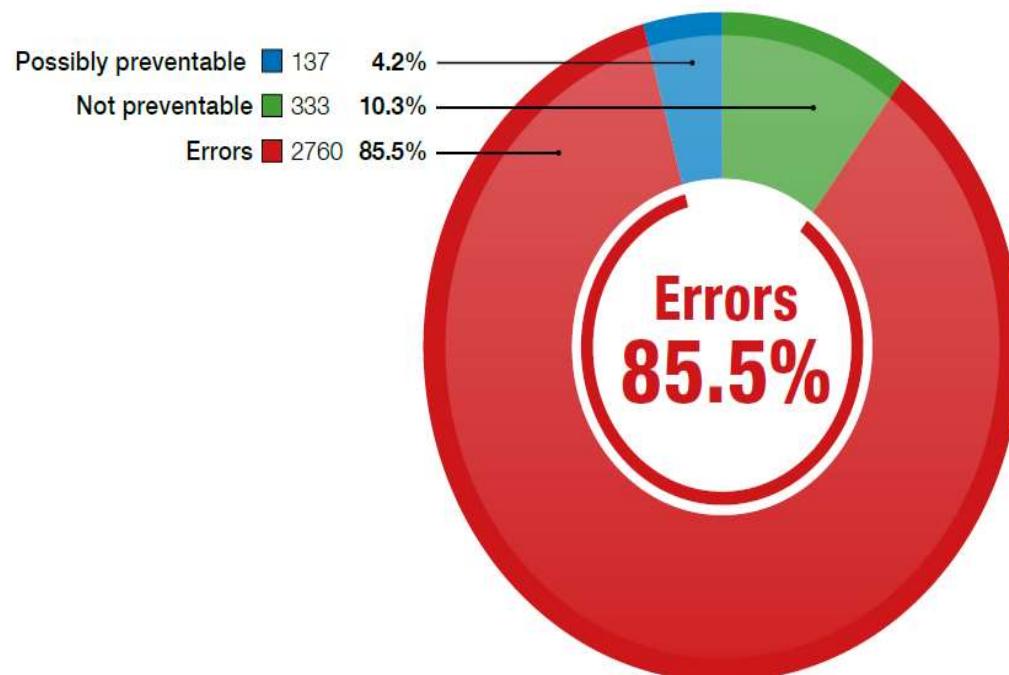


# Benefits

Deaths where transfusion was implicated n=21

Major morbidity n=112

Figure 3.1:  
Errors account  
for the majority of  
reports: 2760/3230





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of Great Britain & Ireland

# It's Recommended

	PILLAR ONE	PILLAR TWO	PILLAR THREE	THREE PILLARS OF PATIENT BLOOD MANAGEMENT
	Optimise RBC Mass	Minimise Blood Loss	Manage Anaemia	
PREOPERATIVE	> detect/treat anaemia & iron deficiency > treat underlying causes > optimise haemoglobin > cease medications	> identify, manage & treat bleeding/bleeding risk > minimise phlebotomy > plan/rehearse procedure	> patient's bleeding history & develop management plan > estimate the patient's tolerance for blood loss > optimise cardiopulmonary function	
INTRAOPERATIVE	> time surgery with optimisation of erythropoiesis & red blood cell mass	> meticulous haemostasis/ surgical/anaesthetic techniques > cell salvage techniques > avoid coagulopathy > patient positioning/warming > pharmacological agents	> optimise cardiopulmonary function > optimise ventilation & oxygenation > restrictive transfusion strategies	
POSTOPERATIVE	> manage anaemia & iron deficiency > manage medications & potential interactions	> monitor & manage post op bleeding > keep patient warm > minimise phlebotomy > awareness of drug interactions & adverse events > treat infections promptly	> maximise oxygen delivery > minimise oxygen use > treat infections promptly > tolerance of anaemia > restrictive transfusion strategies	

Adapted from Spahn DR, Goodnough LT. *Alternatives to Blood Transfusion*. Lancet 2013; 381:1855-65;  
Hofman A, Farmer S, Towler SC. *Strategies to preempt and reduce the use of blood products: an Australian perspective*. Curr Opin Anaesthesiol. 2012; 25:66-73; Ishisteri DP. *The three-pillar matrix*.

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# Cell Salvage Manufacturers

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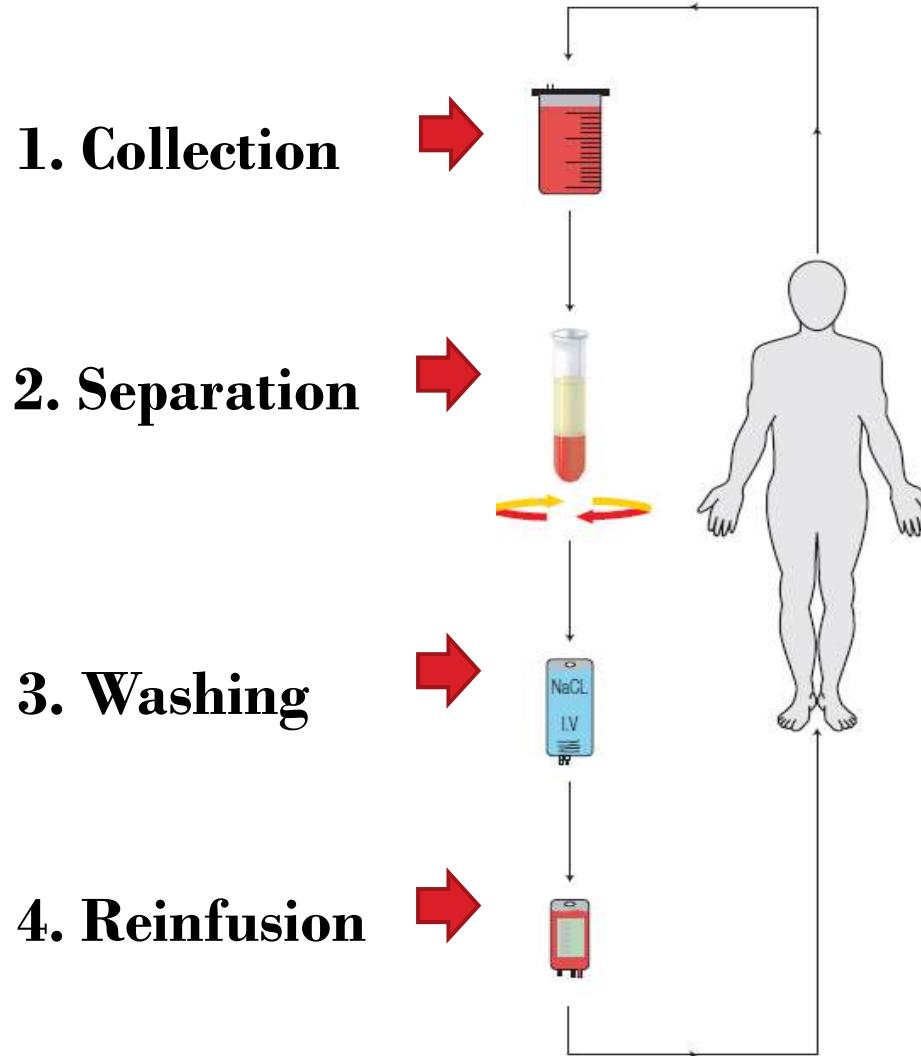


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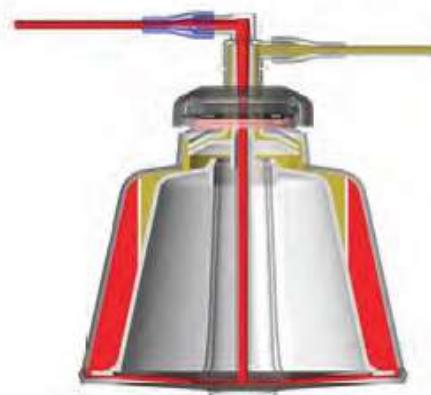
**LivaNova**

# The Process of IOCS

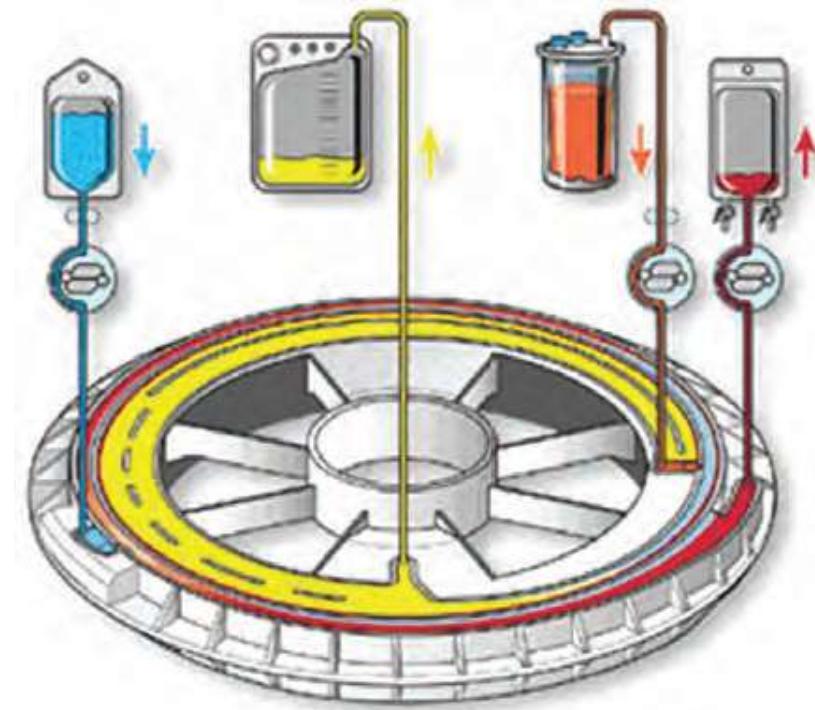


# Methods of Cell Salvage

## Fixed bowl

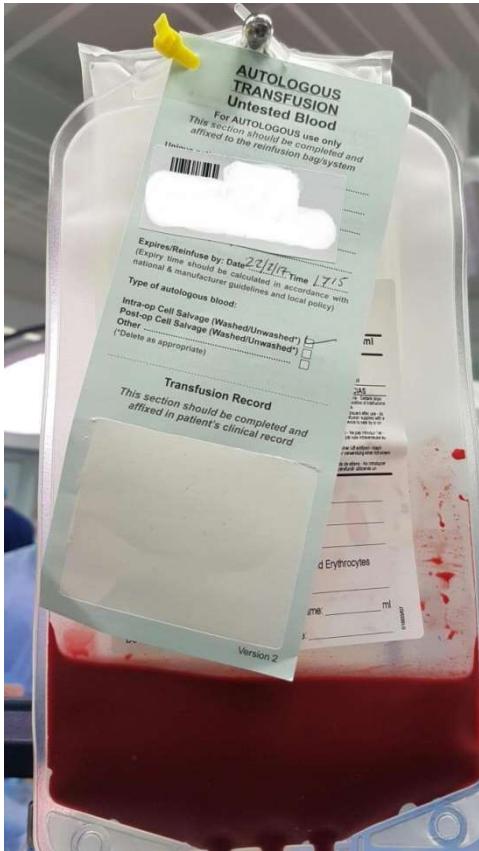


## Continuous Rotary System



# Reinfusion

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- ▶ Labelled
- ▶ Checked
- ▶ Reinfused within 4 hours

# Limitations and Contra-Indications

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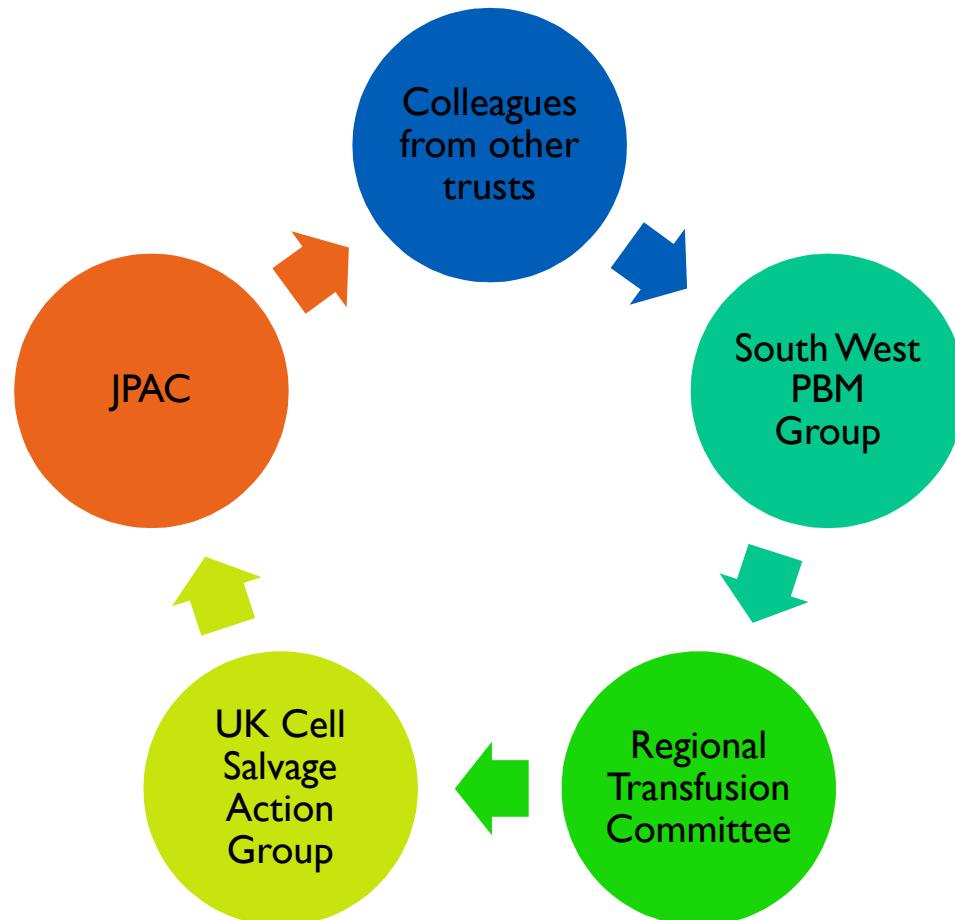
# Incident Reporting

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# Networking and Support



<http://www.learnbloodtransfusion.org.uk/>