

### WHERE CAN I DONATE

### **MY PLATELETS?**

PLATELET DONATION IS ONLY PERFORMED BY APPOINTMENT AT **OUR DONATION VENUES.** 

#### HAINAUT **LA LOUVIÈRE**

Avenue Max Buset 40

7100 La Louvière

Tel: 064 23 81 73

Open on:

Mon: 09:00-12:00 / 12:30-15:30

Tue: 13:00-19:30 Wed: 13:00-19:30

Thurs: 13:00-19:30

Fri: 09:00-12:00 / 12:30-15:30 Sat: 09:00 à 13:00

(3rd Saturday of the month)

#### MONS

Chaussée de Binche 101 A

7000 Mons

Tel: 065 22 10 30

Open on: Mon: 09:00-20:00

Tue: 09:00-12:00 / 12:30-16:15

Wed: 09:00-19:30 Thurs: 09:00-19:30 Fri:13:00-19:15 Sat: 09:00-13:00

(2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month)

#### **TOURNAI**

Chaussée de Renaix 47 7500 Tournai

Tel: 069 88 96 80

Open on:

Mon: 09:00-20:00 Tue: 09:00-12:00 /12:30-16:15

Wed: 13:00-19:30 Thurs: 13:00-19:30 Fri:09:00-12:00 / 12:30-16:15

Sat: 09:00-13:00

(1st Saturday of the month)

#### **BRUSSELS**

**ERASME** 

Route de Lennik 808 1070 Bruxelles Tel: 02 526 92 69

Open on: Mon/Wed/Fri: 08:00-15:30 Tue/Thurs: 11:30-19:00 Sat: 09:00- 12:30 (1st and 3rd Saturday of the month)

#### **HUSTIN**

Rue Haute 290 1000 Bruxelles

Tel: 02 535 45 81

Open on: Mon/Wed/Fri: 08:00-15:30 Tue/Thurs: 11:30-19:00 Sat: 09:00- 12:30 (1st and 3rd Saturday of the

month)

#### **WOLUWE**

Avenue Konrad Adenauer 4. 1200 Woluwe-Saint-Lambert Tel: 02 775 03 10

Open on: Mon/Wed/Fri: 08:00-15:30 Tue/Thurs: 11:30-19:00 Sat: 09:00- 12:30

(2nd and 4th Saturday of the month)

**BRABANT WALLON** 

#### **LOUVAIN-LA-NEUVE**

Place de l'Université 25/2

1348 Louvain-La-Neuve Tel: 010 45 14 71

Open on:

Mon/Tue: 12:00-19:30 Wed/Fri: 09:00-15:30 Thurs: 09:00-17:30 Sat: 09:00-12:30

#### LIEGE CHU LIÈGE

Sart Tilman Route 683 Niv.0 Avenue de l'hôpital 40 4000 Liège

Tel: 04 323 75 52

Open on: Mon/Tue/Thurs: 08:00-16:00 Wed/Fri/sat: 08:00-12:00

#### LIÈGE DOS FANCHON Rue Dos Fanchon 41

4020 Liège

Tel: 04 341 69 11

Open on: Mon/Wed/Thurs: 08:00-20:00 Tue/Fri: 08:00-12:30 Sat: 08:00-14:00

#### **LUXEMBOURG BASTOGNE**

Chaussée d'Houffalize 1 6600 Bastogne

Tel: 061 21 41 30

Open on: Mon/Tue/Fri: 08:00-12:00 Wed: 08:00-12:00 / 15:00-18:00 Thurs: 08:00-12:00 / 17:00-20:00

Sat: 08:00-12:00 (1st and 3rd Saturday of the month)

#### NAMUR NAMUR

5000 Namur Tel: 081 22 10 10 Open on: Mon/Thurs: 08:00-19:30 Tue/Fri: 08:00-16:30

Wed: 08:00-13:30

Sat: 08:00-12:30

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# WHAT ARE PLATELETS?

**Platelets or "thrombocytes"** are fragments of cells produced in the bone marrow which play a key role in preventing or stopping bleeding. They clump together to close wounds and help stop bleeding.

They circulate in the blood alongside red blood cells and white blood cells.





## **WHY DONATE YOUR**

### **PLATELETS?**

Platelets can be obtained from a full blood donation or a platelet donation.

The advantage of platelet donation is that it allows us to collect as many platelets in a single donation as 5 to 10 blood donations.

# WHO NEEDS THEM?

Platelets are useful for patients with cancer or a blood disease such as leukaemia.

They are often transfused during chemotherapy because this treatment destroys healthy cells along with the destruction of cancer cells.

Patients with blood diseases need regular transfusions and a large amount of platelets, red blood cells or plasma, depending on the case.



#### Did you know?

Once collected, platelets can be stored for maximum 5 days. That is why we need donations every day!

## **HOW OFTEN CAN I**

**DONATE?** 

You can donate platelets every 4 weeks and alternate with other types of donation.

Therefore, it's possible to donate platelets between 2 blood donations.

Please consider 2 hours to make this type of donation.

## WHAT ARE THE CRITERIA

# TO DONATE PLATELETS?

The conditions are globally the same as for a blood donation:

- Be in good health.
- Be 18 years of age or older.
- Weigh at least 50 kg,
- Do not carry any risk of infectious diseases

#### In addition:

- The first donation must be made before the age of 61,
- You must have made at least 1 other donation (blood or plasma) previously,
- You must not have taken aspirin or antiinflammatory drugs within 5 days before your donation.

Only donors of **groups O and A** can give platelets.

During the medical interview, the doctor will check if your platelet count is sufficient, if you have not taken anti-inflammatories recently, and if you have no other contraindications to donation.

#### Did you know?

donation allows 1 or 2 adults and up to 3 children to be transfused!

The list of the majority of contraindications can be found on our website:

www.BloodDonors.be

