

BLOOD TRANSFUSION ARTEFACT RECORD	
NUMBER	AA-062
ITEM / TITLE	50 HOLE WOODEN PRECIPITIN TUBE LABORATORY RACK
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	A solid hardwood tube rack (approx. 6.5 x 3 x 1.75 inches) with 50 drilled holes, each designed to hold (glass) Precipitin or Kahn tubes – a black number (1935) is on the front of the rack.
OTHER INFORMATION	Wooden tube racks were used principally for holding small glass precipitin tubes that were used for manual ABO and Rh D blood grouping of blood donor samples as well as other manual laboratory techniques, e.g. patient antibody testing, compatibility testing, etc. – tests being incubated at room temperature or in a 37°C air incubator. The number on the front of the wooden block allowed identification of tests when more than one block was in use (noted onto laboratory worksheets) – each wooden rack having a different number.

