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Sommario/riassunto	This publication aims to provide practical guidance to all those involved in the management of blood programmes. Following an introduction to the blood cold chain management process, seven chapters provide a detailed description of blood bank refrigerators, plasma freezers,

platelet agitators, plasma thawing equipment, blood transport boxes and coolants, temperature monitoring devices, as well as other blood cold chain accessories. Each chapter provides WHO minimum performance specifications for the equipment, and selected product information on equipment evaluated by WHO. A specific chapter i

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