

Change Notification for the UK Blood Transfusion Services

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West Nile Virus in France

This notification includes the following changes:

BM-DSG Bone Marrow & Peripheral Blood Stem Cell	CB-DSG Cord Blood	GDRI Geographical Disease Risk Index	TD-DSG Tissue - Deceased Donors	TL-DSG Tissue - Live Donors	WB-DSG Whole Blood & Components	Red Book Guidelines for the BTS in the UK
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1. France



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Changes are indicated using the key below. This formatting will not appear in the final entry.

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1. Changes apply to the **Geographical Disease Risk Index**

France

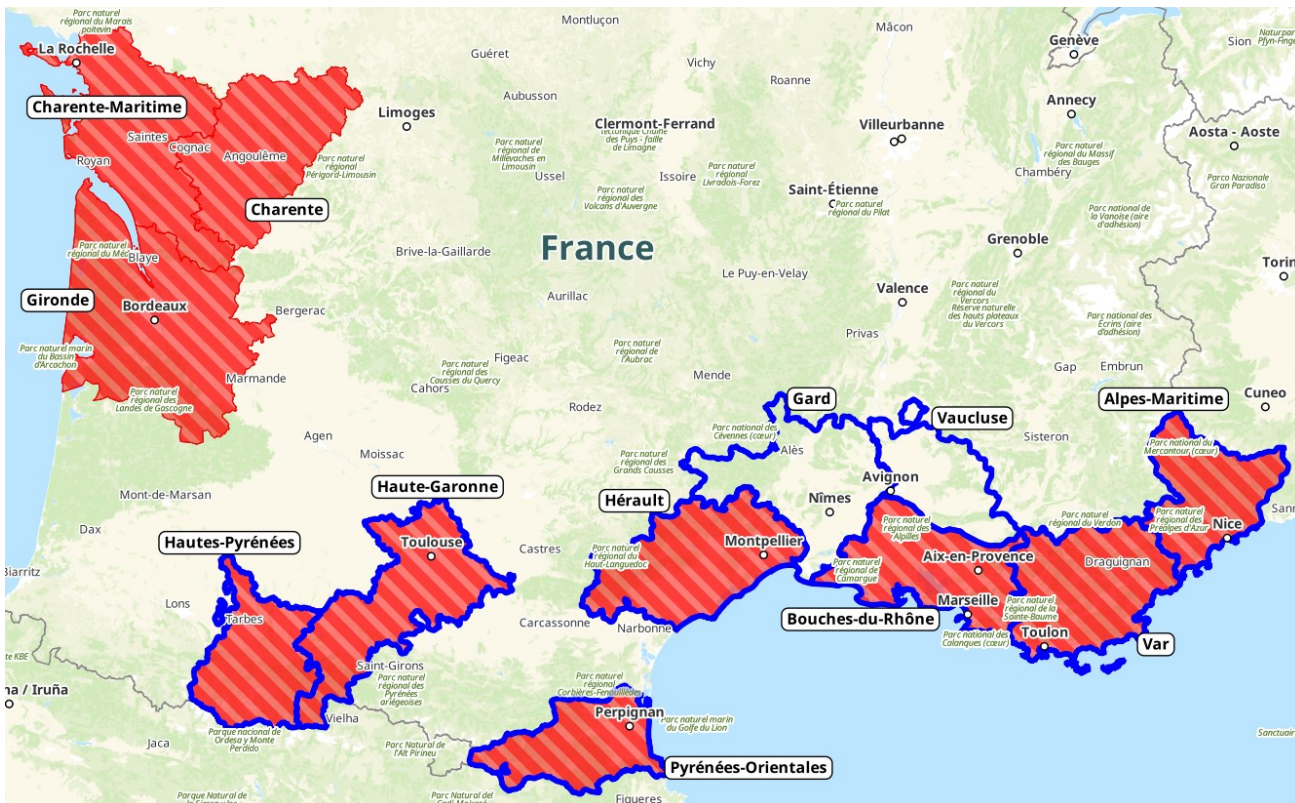
(revised entry)

<i>Malaria</i>	No
<i>Trypanosoma Cruzi Risk</i>	No
<i>Sub Saharan Africa</i>	No
<i>West Nile Virus Risk</i>	<p>Yes</p> <p>Donors who have visited the following departments (regions) of France, between 1st May and the 30th November, must have the WNV Donor Selection Guideline applied:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alpes-Maritimes • Bouches-du-Rhône • Charente • Charente-Maritime • Gironde • Haute-Garonne • Hautes-Pyrénées • «Hérault» • Pyrénées-Orientales • Var <p>«These regions are shaded in red on the map.»</p>
<i>Tropical Virus Risk</i>	<p>Yes Dengue Virus</p> <p>All year in the departments (regions) of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alpes-Maritimes • Bouches-du-Rhône • Gard • Haute-Garonne • Hautes-Pyrénées • Hérault • Pyrénées-Orientales • Var • Vaucluse <p>«These regions are outlined in blue on the map.»</p>
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The entry's current map (below)



will be replaced with the following:



Please note a new highlighting format has been applied to the map:

- West Nile Virus risk areas are now **shaded in red**
- Tropical Virus risk areas are now **outlined in blue**