

# Unlocking Medical Potential of Overlooked Bodily Waste: Science Breakthrough!

### Description

Menstrual blood used to be seen as waste, but now scientists see it can offer valuable information. It has cells, proteins, and fats that can help learn about health. This can happen without surgery, which is good news.

One important study is on endometriosis, a condition affecting many women. With limited research funding, it is hard to find effective treatments. But researchers are using menstrual blood to study this condition better.

Menstrual blood also contains stem cells that can become different cell types. This is promising for researching various health issues like heart or nervous system problems.

Overall, menstrual blood is a useful tool for medical research due to its accessibility and potential. However, there are still some challenges, like stigma and proper collection methods.

It's important to raise awareness about the benefits of menstrual blood in research and overcome any hesitations or misunderstandings.

# **Vocabulary List:**

- 1. **Menstrual** /'mɛnstrʊəl/ (adjective): Relating to the monthly discharge of blood from the female reproductive system.
- 2. **Endometriosis** /ˌɛndoʊˌmiːtri'oʊsɪs/ (noun): A condition in which tissue similar to the lining of the uterus grows outside of it.
- 3. **Research** /'ri:s3:rtʃ/ (noun): The systematic investigation into and study of materials and sources to establish facts and reach new conclusions.
- 4. **Stem cells** /stɛm sɛlz/ (noun): Undifferentiated cells that have the potential to develop into various cell types in the body.
- 5. Challenges /'tʃælɪndʒɪz/ (noun): Difficulties or obstacles that require effort to overcome.
- 6. **Stigma** /'stɪgmə/ (noun): A mark of disgrace associated with a particular circumstance quality or person.

# **Comprehension Questions**



#### **Multiple Choice**

1. What are some components found in menstrual blood that can provide valuable health information?

Option: Cells, proteins, and fats Option: Bacteria and viruses

Option: Plant extracts

Option: Alcohols and sugars

2. Which health condition is being studied using menstrual blood due to limited research funding for effective treatments?

Option: Cancer

Option: Endometriosis

Option: Diabetes Option: Asthma

3. What type of cells are found in menstrual blood that have the potential to become various cell types? SL-NEWS.CO

Option: Stem cells

Option: Red blood cells Option: White blood cells

**Option: Platelets** 

4. What is one challenge mentioned in utilizing menstrual blood for research?

Option: Lack of accessibility

Option: Stigma Option: High cost

Option: Limited quantity

5. Why is menstrual blood considered a useful tool for medical research?

Option: Due to its color Option: Due to its taste

Option: Due to its accessibility and potential

Option: Due to its smell

6. What should be done to overcome hesitations and misunderstandings regarding the use of menstrual blood in research?

Option: Ignore concerns Option: Raise awareness Option: Stop research



Option: Avoid discussions

#### **True-False**

- 7. Menstrual blood was always considered valuable for research purposes.
- 8. Researchers are not studying endometriosis using menstrual blood.
- 9. Stem cells in menstrual blood are limited in their potential to become different cell types.
- 10. Stigma is not a challenge faced in utilizing menstrual blood for research.
- 11. Proper collection methods are not necessary when dealing with menstrual blood for research purposes.
- 12. Raising awareness about the benefits of menstrual blood in research is considered important.

## **Gap-Fill**

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15. Menstrual blood contains stem cells that have	the potential to become different
types.	
16. One of the challenges in utilizing menstrual bl	ood for research is overcoming
17. It is important to raise	about the benefits of menstrual blood in research.
18. The accessibility and potential of menstrual bl	ood make it a valuable tool for
research.	



# **Answer**

Multiple Choice: 1. Cells, proteins, and fats 2. Endometriosis 3. Stem cells 4. Stigma 5. Due to its

accessibility and potential 6. Raise awareness

True-False: 7. False 8. False 9. False 10. False 11. False 12. True

Gap-Fill: 13. waste 14. funding 15. cell 16. stigma 17. awareness 18. medical

## **CATEGORY**

1. Health - LEVEL2

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