

Table 3. Plasma volume, red cell volume, total blood volume and haematocrit in pregnancy.

	Non-pregnant	Weeks of pregnancy		
		20	30	40
Plasma volume (ml)	2600	3150	3750	3850
Red cell mass (ml)	1400	1450	1550	1650
Total blood volume (ml)	4000	4600	5300	5500
Body haematocrit (%)	35.0	32.0	29.0	30.0
Venous haematocrit (%)	39.8	36.4	33.0	34.1