## **Abstrakt**

Blood is an irreplaceable kind of tissue in the human body, therefore I have decided to focus on the issue of its donation. Blood has an unique and extremely important function in medicine. Its transfusion is needed in case of polytrauma, surgeries and many of others chronical diseases.

I am going to focus on the blood donation as a process and then to sum up basic legislative demands which form the blood donation. In summary I am going to specify some methods of processing blood to transfusion preparations and I am also going to mention promotion of blood donation. In practical part of my thesis I am comparing annual statistics of blood donation in the Czech Republic and at the blood transfusion department of The University Hospital in Pilsen.

**Key words:** donation, transfusion preparation, donor, infectious markers, propagation of donation, Czech Red Cross, blood group