

HEY YOU, FANCY SAVING LIVES?

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MARROW

**ANTHONY
NOLAN**

saving the lives
of people with
blood cancer

HELLO FROM MARROW



Marrow is the network of inspirational students who work with the lifesaving blood cancer charity, Anthony Nolan.

There are over 50 Marrow groups across the country, with hundreds of student volunteers in universities all working towards one thing – saving the lives of people with blood cancer.

Anthony Nolan makes lifesaving connections between people with blood cancer who need

a stem cell transplant, and incredible strangers willing to donate their stem cells if they're a match.

Marrow recruits 1 in 4 people to the stem cell register who go on to donate stem cells – that's hundreds of lives potentially saved by Marrow's incredible work.

IN THE BEGINNING

Marrow began in 1998 when James Kustow, a student at The University of Nottingham, heard that his childhood friend, Karen, had been diagnosed with leukaemia and needed a stem cell transplant to survive.

Banding together with his friends, James organised a hugely successful recruitment event on campus to try and get more people to join the Anthony Nolan register.

James and his fellow volunteers decided to put together a team to run regular events and raise awareness for years to come. They called it **Marrow**.

Sadly, Karen relapsed after her transplant and passed away four months later – but her legacy lives on in the Marrow groups which were set up to help her and many more people like her.

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MARROW'S VOLUNTEERS

Marrow would be nowhere without amazing students. They volunteer their time, energy and enthusiasm to support the cause - helping to recruit over 150,000 potential donors and raising hundreds of thousands of pounds.

Students can give as much time as they want, with some giving a couple of hours to help run events, some getting involved with patient appeals for a couple of months, and some going on to join their university's Marrow committee for a couple of years!

In return, we offer them a huge range of training and development to improve their skills, an incredible range of resources, as well as lots of opportunities to meet other Marrow volunteers!



MARROW'S MISSION

Marrow has three important aims:

1.

Raising awareness of Anthony Nolan and blood cancer within universities across the UK.

2.

Signing up potential lifesavers at donor recruitment events across campus, to give every student the opportunity to join the Anthony Nolan stem cell register.

3.

Raising vital funds by holding fantastic fundraising events, from bake sales to balls, to help support Anthony Nolan's lifesaving work.

To achieve these aims, local Marrow groups work with an elected National Committee, whose role it is to support new groups and represent the interests of Marrow as a whole.

MARROW'S MEANING

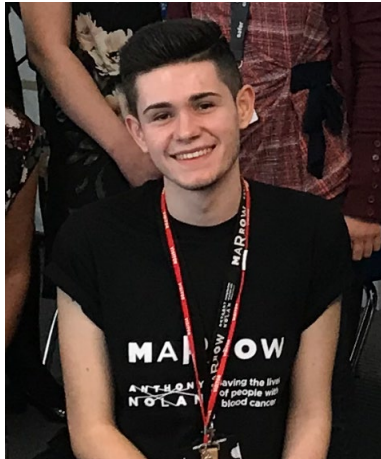
Marrow is so much more than a volunteering role. It's a family, and can give you friends, skills, and life-changing experiences.

Jesse joined Nottingham Marrow in November 2017, after being inspired by the group's President's dedication.

'Marrow has given me so many opportunities, from running events to being interviewed on TV! But my favourite part is training up new volunteers, and seeing them go from super nervous to crucial members of the team.

The most impactful moment for me was being asked by the

family of a local patient if I wanted to meet them in hospital.



It was overwhelming, and truly made Marrow's mission so real and important. We give people, and families, second chances of life. How incredible is that?'

GET INVOLVED

We would love to have you on board! Marrow can make even more happen with your support, and there are so many ways you can help:

Volunteer - join your local Marrow group and get involved in their lifesaving work. If there isn't a group in your university, set one up or get organising some events. We can give you all the support and advice to help you.

Promote - let everyone in your university know about Marrow and Anthony Nolan, contact your friends and followers, and share our Facebook and Twitter pages far and wide.

Support - give Marrow a helping hand to reach new students, set up in new places on campus and beyond, and help them to save even more lives of people with blood cancer.

MARROW HAS RECRUITED OVER
150,000

PEOPLE TO THE STEM CELL REGISTER

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