



Ref: FOIA Reference 2024/25-660

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Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 2nd January 2025 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding biologic and targeted medications

**Q1 I am analysing the usage of new biologic and targeted medications within dermatology medicine. Could you please answer the following questions:**

**How many patients were treated in December 2024 (or latest available month) by the Dermatology department with the following drugs:**

- **Abrocitinib (Cibinqo)**
- **Baricitinib (Olumiant)**
- **Dupilumab (Dupixent)**
- **Lebrikizumab (Ebglyss)**
- **Omalizumab (Xolair)**
- **Tralokinumab (Adtralza)**
- **Upadacitinib (Rinvoq)**

**A1** We are unable to provide the information you require in the requested format as to release this data could lead to the identification of the person(s) involved due to the low numbers involved and would breach the Trusts obligations under Data Protection Act 2018. Accordingly, this aspect of your request is exempt from disclosure under the terms of Section 40(2) of the FOI Act. *Personal information*. However, as the Trust is committed to openness and transparency, we can band the numbers as being <5  
*This exemption is an absolute exemption and therefore no consideration of the public interest test is needed.*

Abrocitinib (Cibinqo)	0
Baricitinib (Olumiant)	<5
Dupilumab (Dupixent)	22
Lebrikizumab (Ebglyss)	0
Omalizumab (Xolair)	0
Tralokinumab (Adtralza)	<5
Upadacitinib (Rinvoq)	<5

**Q2 How many patients were treated in December 2024 (or latest available month) by the Respiratory Medicine departments with the following drugs:**

- **Benralizumab (Fasenra)**
- **Dupilumab (Dupixent)**
- **Mepolizumab (Nucala)**
- **Omalizumab (Xolair)**
- **Reslizumab (Cinqaero)**
- **Tezepelumab (Tezspire)**

**A2** We are unable to provide the information you require in the requested format as to release this data could lead to the identification of the person(s) involved due to the low numbers involved and would breach the Trusts obligations under Data Protection Act 2018. Accordingly, this aspect of your request is exempt from disclosure under the terms of Section 40(2) of the FOI Act. *Personal information*. However, as the Trust is committed to openness and transparency, we can band the numbers as being <5  
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Benralizumab (Fasenra)	34
Dupilumab (Dupixent)	<5
Mepolizumab (Nucala)	35
Omalizumab (Xolair)	<5
Reslizumab (Cinqaero)	0
Tezepelumab (Tezspire)	23

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries relating to the response please contact my office

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Yours,



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