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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 28th May 2019 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Biologics and Biosimilar prescribing.

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

Q1 I wonder if you can help with regards to a Freedom of Information request I have for Biologics and Biosimilar prescribing. Could you please provide me with following numbers of patients treated in the last 12 months (latest) 12 months possible) with the following drugs for either Rheumatology, Dermatology and Gastroenterology departments:

Treatment	Total	Rheumatology	Dermatology	Gastroenterology
Abatacept (Orencia)				
Adalimumab biosimilar (Amgevita)				
Adalimumab biosimilar (Hulio)				
Adalimumab (Humira)				
Adalimumab biosimilar (Hyrimoz)				
Adalimumab bioisimilar (Imraldi)				
Apremilast (Otezla)				
Baricitinib (Olumiant)				
Brodalumab (Kyntheum)				
Certolizumab (Cimzia)				
Dimethyl				



Fumarate (Skilarence)				
Etanercept (Enbrel)				
Etanercept Biosimilar (Benepali)				
Etanercept Biosimilar (Erelzi)				
Golimuab (Simponi)				
Guselkumab (Tremfya)				
Infliximab (Flixabi)				
Infliximab (Inflectra)				
Infliximab (Remicade)				
Infliximab (Remsima)				
Ixekizumab (Taltz)				
Rituximab (Mabthera)				
Rituximab Biosimilar (Rixathon)				
Rituximab Biosimilar (Truxima)				
Sarilumab (Kevzara)				
Secukinumab (Cosentyx)				
Tildrakizumab (Ilumetri)				
Tocilizumab (Ro Actemra)				
Tofacitinib (Xeljanz)				
Ustekinumab (Stelara)				
Vedolizumab (Entyvio)				

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, please see below:

Treatment	Total	Rheumatology	Dermatology	Gastroenterology
Abatacept (Orencia)	0	Not applicable	0	0
Adalimumab biosimilar (Amgevita)	0	Not applicable	0	0
Adalimumab biosimilar (Hulio)	0	Not applicable	0	0
Adalimumab (Humira)	339	Not applicable	63	276
Adalimumab biosimilar (Hyrimoz)	24	Not applicable	15	9
Adalimumab bioisimilar (Imraldi)	0	Not applicable	0	0
Apremilast (Otezla)	29	Not applicable	29	0
Baricitinib (Olumiant)	0	Not applicable	0	0
Brodalumab (Kyntheum)	0	Not applicable	0	0
Certolizumab (Cimzia)	0	Not applicable	0	0
Dimethyl Fumarate (Skilarence)	Less than 5	Not applicable	Less than 5	0
Etanercept (Enbrel)	Less than 5	Not applicable	Less than 5	0
Etanercept Biosimilar (Benepali)	0	Not applicable	0	0
Etanercept Biosimilar (Erelzi)	Less than 5	Not applicable	Less than 5	0
Golimuab (Simponi)	Less than 5	Not applicable	0	Less than 5
Guselkumab (Tremfya)	0	Not applicable	0	0
Infliximab (Flixabi)	0	Not applicable	0	0
Infliximab (Inflectra)	100	Not applicable	0	100
Infliximab (Remicade)	19	Not applicable	0	19
Infliximab (Remsima)	0	Not applicable	0	0
Ixekizumab (Taltz)	Less than 5	Not applicable	Less than 5	0
Rituximab (Mabthera)	0	Not applicable	0	0
Rituximab Biosimilar (Rixathon)	0	Not applicable	0	0

Rituximab Biosimilar (Truxima)	0	Not applicable	0	0
Sarilumab (Kevzara)	0	Not applicable	0	0
Secukinumab (Cosentyx)	42	Not applicable	42	0
Tildrakizumab (Ilumetri)	0	Not applicable	0	0
Tocilizumab (Ro Actemra)	0	Not applicable	0	0
Tofacitinib (Xeljanz)	0	Not applicable	0	0
Ustekinumab (Stelara)	87	Not applicable	50	37
Vedolizumab (Entyvio)	46	Not applicable	0	46

Please note: UHNM does not treat rheumatology patients. This refers to 2018/19 data. We have excluded the paediatric specialty. A limitation to the accuracy of the data is due to any incorrect booking out on the computer system due to lack of information on the prescription.

*Please note that any individuals identified do not give consent for their personal data to be processed for the purposes of direct marketing.

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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 related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

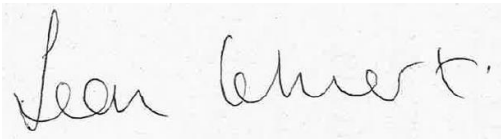
Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and request an assessment of the manner in which the Trust has managed your request.

The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or via www.ico.org.uk.

If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 676474.

Yours,



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