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Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 29th November 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding non-small cell lung cancer

Q1 Question One:

How many early-stage (non-metastatic or Stages 2-3) non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) patients were treated in the past 3 months with:

- Atezolizumab (Tecentriq)
- Durvalumab (Imfinzi)
- Nivolumab (Opdivo)
- Pembrolizumab (Keytruda)
- Chemotherapy
- Radiotherapy
- Chemotherapy AND Radiotherapy
- A1 I can neither confirm nor deny whether the information you have requested is held by the Trust in its entirety. This is because the information requested in this question is not held centrally but may be recorded in health records. In order to confirm whether this information is held we would therefore have to individually access all health records within the Trust and extract the information where it is present. We therefore estimate that complying with your request is exempt under section 12 of the FOI Act: cost of compliance is excessive. The section 12 exemption applies when it is estimated a request will take in excess of 18 hours to complete. We estimate that accessing and reviewing all health records and then extracting relevant information would take longer than the 18 hours allowed for.

In addition to the section 12 exemption the Trust is also applying section 14 (1) exemption: oppressive burden on the authority

Please note that the below figures include all patients. Staging data is not available without accessing individual patient notes.

Atezolizumab (Tecentriq)	16
Durvalumab (Imfinzi)	5







Nivolumab (Opdivo)	8
Pembrolizumab (Keytruda)	37
Chemotherapy	98
Radiotherapy	15
Chemotherapy AND	0
Radiotherapy	

Q2 Question Two:

How many patients has your Trust treated in total in the past 3 months for

- Stage 2 Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer
- Stage 3 Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer
- 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.

Information is for where staging has been completed and where a diagnosis has been recorded from 01/04/2024 onwards.

Stage 2 Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer	<5
Stage 3 Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer	41

Q3 Question Three:

How many patients who received Pembrolizumab for Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer (NSCLC) (any stage) in the last 3 months, received:

Pembrolizumab Monotherapy

- 1. Treatment every 3 weeks (200mg, Q3W)
- 2. Treatment every 6 weeks (400mg, Q6W)

Pembrolizumab in combination with chemotherapy

- 1. Treatment every 3 weeks (200mg, Q3W)
- 2. Treatment every 6 weeks (400mg, Q6W)

A3 Please see below.

Pem	brolizumab Monotherapy	
1.	Treatment every 3 weeks (200mg, Q3W)	12
2.	Treatment every 6 weeks (400mg, Q6W)	5
Pem	brolizumab in combination with chemotherapy	
1.	Treatment every 3 weeks (200mg, Q3W)	20







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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.

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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.

Yours.

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