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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 17th May 2018 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 have a Freedom of Information request regarding Biologics and Biosimilar prescribing. Could you please provide me with the following numbers of patients treated in the last 12 months (latest 12 months possible) with the following drugs for Rheumatology, Dermatology or Gastroenterology departments?

Number of patients treated	Rheumatology	Dermatology	Gastroenterology
TOTAL			
Abatacept [Orencia]			
Adalimumab [Biosimilar]			
Adalimumab [Humira]			
Apremilast [Otezla]			
Baricitinib [Olumiant]			
Brodalumab [Kyntheum]			
Certolizumab [Cimzia]			
Dimethyl fumarate [Skilarence]			
Etanercept [Enbrel]			
Etanercept Biosimilar [Benepali or Erelzi]			
Golimumab			

[Simponi]			
Guselkumab [Tremfya]			
Infliximab [Remicade]			
Infliximab Biosimilar [Inflectra, Remsima or Flixabi]			
Ixekizumab [Taltz]			
Rituximab [Mabthera]			
Rituximab Biosimilar [Rixathon or Truxima]			
Sarilumab [Kevzara]			
Secukinumab [Cosentyx]			
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 The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) Accordingly, this aspect of your request is exempt from disclosure under the terms of Section 40(2) of the Act. *Personal information*. However as the Trust is committed to openness and transparency we can band the numbers and have provided this below:

Number of patients treated	Rheumatology	Dermatology	Gastroenterology
TOTAL	Information not held by the Trust. Information by be available by contacting Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent Partnership (SSOTP) at the following email address:	153	509
Abatacept [Orencia]		0	0
Adalimumab [Biosimilar]		0	0
Adalimumab [Humira]		68	285
Apremilast [Otezla]		Less than 5	0
Baricitinib [Olumiant]		0	0
Brodalumab [Kyntheum]		0	0
Certolizumab		0	0

[Cimzia]	foi@ssotp.nhs.uk		
Dimethyl fumarate [Skilarence]		0	0
Etanercept [Enbrel]	As above	Less than 5	0
Etanercept Biosimilar [Benepali or Erelzi]		0	0
Golimumab [Simponi]		0	Less than 5
Guselkumab [Tremfya]		0	0
Infliximab [Remicade]		0	69
Infliximab Biosimilar [Inflectra, Remsima or Flixabi]		0	94
Ixekizumab [Taltz]		Less than 5	0
Rituximab [Mabthera]		0	0
Rituximab Biosimilar [Rixathon or Truxima]		0	0
Sarilumab [Kevzara]		0	0
Secukinumab [Cosentyx]		24	0
Tocilizumab [Ro Actemra]		0	0
Tofacitinib [Xeljanz]		0	0
Ustekinumab [Stelara]		53	22
Vedolizumab [Entyvio]	0	38	

*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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, loopy initial 'M' followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

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Interim Information Governance Manager



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