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**Date:** 28<sup>th</sup> December 2023

**Address / Email:**

Dear

**Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

**Request**

*Please could you kindly complete the spreadsheet attached to provide information on the Breast Health procedures within the Trust over the last fiscal year (April 2022 – March 2023) and current equipment within the Breast Imaging, Theatres and Pathology Laboratory within the Trust.*

**Response**

Please find attached the completed spreadsheet as requested.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

Information Governance Manager  
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Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Team  
The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust**

TRUST NAME	The Dudley Group
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Volume per annum = number of procedures performed between 01-Apr 2022 to 31-Mar 2023

Volume = number of units currently installed at Trust

Mammography Procedures		Mammography Equipment			
PROCEDURE	VOLUME PER ANNUM	EQUIPMENT	VOLUME	AGE (YEARS)	
Breast MRI	79	Mammography Gantry	2D		
			3D	6	2
		Biopsy Guidance System		2	2
		Lateral Arm		2	2
		Tomo Biopsy Software		3	2
		Contrast Biopsy Software		0	
		Breast Ultrasound System		2	2

Breast Interventional Biopsy Procedures				Breast Interventional Biopsy Equipment		
PROCEDURE	VOLUME PER ANNUM			EQUIPMENT	VOLUME	AGE (YEARS)
Core Needle Biopsy	726			Vacuum Assisted Biopsy System	1	2
Fine Needle Aspiration	67					
Vacuum Assisted Breast Excisions	Stereo-guided	Ultrasound-guided	MRI-guided			
	0	0	0			
Vacuum Assisted Breast Biopsy	Stereo-guided	Ultrasound-guided	MRI-guided			
	15	5	0			

Breast Surgery Procedures			Breast Specimen Equipment			
PROCEDURE	VOLUME PER ANNUM		EQUIPMENT	LOCATION	VOLUME	AGE (YEARS)
Localisation	Wires	Wire-free	Specimen Imaging Unit	Breast Unit	2	2023
	0	0		Theatre	1	2013
Lymph Node Marking	Blue Dye	Iodine Seed		Pathology	0	
	0	0				
Auxillary Lymph Node Dissection	38					
Lumpectomy	90					
Mastectomy	141					
Oncoplastic Surgeries	56					
Sentinal Node Biopsy	276					

Please note - If a patient has had multiple of the same procedure carried out at the same time eg more than one core needle biopsy done in the same operation, each biopsy is counted in the figures

Oncoplastic Surgeries is more of a category, in order for us to run a report can you supply the specific operations you want the information on or if possible the clinical codes for the operations