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**Ref:** FOI-062023-000142

**Date:** 14/7/23

**Address / Email:**

Dear

**Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000**

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

**Request**

FOI requests made between Jan 2021 and Apr 2023 with any of the following criteria:

Patients treated with any of the following classes of drugs: anti-TNF inhibitors, JAK inhibitors, biologic medicines, biosimilars

- Drug treatments for one or more of the following diseases: Crohn's Disease, Ulcerative Colitis, Psoriatic Arthritis, Psoriasis, Rheumatoid Arthritis, Ankylosing Spondylitis, Hidradenitis Suppurativa and related conditions
- Patients treated in the dermatology department
- Patients treated in the gastroenterology department
- Patients treated in the rheumatology department

if it helps I can clarify that I am mostly interested in FOI responses showing: number of patients treated with anti-TNF, JAK-inhibitor or biologic drugs for Crohn's Disease, ulcerative colitis, psoriatic arthritis and plaque psoriasis.

**Response**

Unfortunately, the information you have requested we do not hold in a reportable format. Whilst we have a database which holds some data about our FOI requests, it does not hold information in the granular detail you have requested. The Trust receives over 500 FOI requests every year and that number continues to rise. To answer your request, we would have to manually identify any requests which we believe *may* be relevant and then manually review each of those requests to be satisfied that they answer your request. This process would take us beyond the appropriate limit as set out in section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act - cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit.

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.

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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

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