

## Freedom of Information request 178-21

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### Request

I have a Freedom of Information request and I would greatly appreciate if you could answer the below three questions:

Q1. Could you please provide the numbers of patients treated in the last 3 months by the Dermatology department (for any medical condition) with the following biologic drugs:

- Adalimumab - Humira
- Adalimumab Biosimilar
- Apremilast
- Brodalumab
- Certolizumab
- Dimethyl fumarate
- Etanercept - Enbrel
- Etanercept Biosimilar
- Guselkumab
- Infliximab - Remicade
- Infliximab Biosimilar
- Ixekizumab
- Risankizumab
- Secukinumab
- Tildrakizumab
- Ustekinumab

Q2. For the patients treated by the Dermatology department in the last three months with any of the above drugs, can you please provide the total number of paediatric (up to age 16) versus adult patients?

Q3. Could you please provide the numbers of patients treated in the last 3 months by the Gastroenterology department (for any medical condition) with the following biologic drugs:

- Adalimumab - Humira
- Adalimumab Biosimilar
- Golimumab
- Infliximab - Remicade
- Infliximab Biosimilar
- Tofacitinib
- Ustekinumab
- Vedolizumab

## Response

1. The number of patients treated in the last 3 months by the Dermatology department for the following:

Adalimumab - Humira	<5
Adalimumab Biosimilar	16
Apremilast	<5
Brodalumab	7
Certolizumab	0
Dimethyl fumarate	0
Etanercept - Enbrel	0
Etanercept Biosimilar	0
Guselkumab	<5
Infliximab - Remicade	0
Infliximab Biosimilar	0
Ixekizumab	<5
Risankizumab	0
Secukinumab	8
Tildrakizumab	19
Ustekinumab	<5

2. The total number of paediatric (up to age 16) and adult patients:

Drug	Child	Adult
• Adalimumab - Humira	Date of Birth not recorded	
• Adalimumab Biosimilar	Date of Birth not recorded	
• Apremilast	0	3
• Brodalumab	Date of Birth not recorded	
• Certolizumab	n/a	
• Dimethyl fumarate	n/a	
• Etanercept - Enbrel	n/a	
• Etanercept Biosimilar	n/a	
• Guselkumab	Date of Birth not recorded	
• Infliximab - Remicade	n/a	
• Infliximab Biosimilar	n/a	
• Ixekizumab	Date of Birth not recorded	
• Risankizumab	n/a	
• Secukinumab	Date of Birth not recorded	
• Tildrakizumab	Date of Birth not recorded	
• Ustekinumab	Date of Birth not recorded	

As the date of birth is not recorded in some instances, this information is not held, as defined in Section 17, Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 and cannot be provided.

3. The number of patients treated in the last 3 months by the Gastroenterology department with the following:

Adalimumab – Humira	<5
Adalimumab Biosimilar	38
Golimumab	<5
Infliximab – Remicade	0
Infliximab Biosimilar	13
Tofacitinib	0
Ustekinumab	17
Vedolizumab	10

As the number of events in some areas are very small and in accordance with the Code of Practice for Official Statistics any number that is less than five, actual numbers and potentially identifiable information is withheld to help maintain patient confidentiality due to potential risk of disclosure. Further information is available in the ISD Statistical Disclosure Control Protocol.

If you are not satisfied with the way your request has been handled or the decision given, you may ask NHS Borders to review its actions and the decision. If you would like to request a review please apply in writing to, Freedom of Information Review, NHS Borders, Room 2EC3, Education Centre, Borders General Hospital, Melrose, TD6 9BS or [foi.enquiries@borders.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:foi.enquiries@borders.scot.nhs.uk).

The request for a review should include your name and address for correspondence, the request for information to which the request relates and the issue which you wish to be reviewed. Please state the reference number **178-21** on this request. Your request should be made within 40 working days from receipt of this letter.

If following this review, you remain dissatisfied with the outcome, you may appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner and request an investigation of your complaint. Your request to the Scottish Information Commissioner should be in writing (or other permanent form), stating your name and an address for correspondence. You should provide the details of the request and your reasons for dissatisfaction with both the original response by NHS Borders and your reasons for dissatisfaction with the outcome of the internal review. Your application for an investigation by the Scottish Information Commissioner must be made within six months of your receipt of the response with which you are dissatisfied. The address for the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner is, Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife.