

## Freedom of Information request 130-22

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### Request

I am researching the incidence and treatment of oesophageal and gastric cancer. I would greatly appreciate if you could answer the following questions.

Q1. How many patients were treated in the past 3 months for gastric and gastro-oesophageal junction cancer (any stage) with:

- CAPOX (Capecitabine with Oxaliplatin)
- FOLFOX (Folinic acid, Fluorouracil and Oxaliplatin)
- Pembrolizumab in combination with Platinum (Cisplatin or Oxaliplatin) and Fluoropyrimidine (5-Fluorouracil or Capecitabine)
- Any other systemic anti-cancer therapy
- Palliative care only

Q2. How many patients were treated in the past 3 months for Oesophageal cancer (any stage) with:

- Pembrolizumab in combination with Platinum (Cisplatin or Oxaliplatin) and Fluoropyrimidine (5-Fluorouracil or Capecitabine)
- Platinum and Fluoropyrimidine based combination treatments (Cisplatin or Oxaliplatin with 5-Fluorouracil or Capecitabine)
- Nivolumab monotherapy
- Nivolumab and Ipilimumab
- Any other systemic anti-cancer therapy
- Palliative care only

Q3. Of the Oesophageal Cancer patients (from Q2) treated with Pembrolizumab in the past 3 months, how many patients were treated for:

- Oesophageal adenocarcinoma
- Oesophageal squamous cell carcinoma

Q4. How many patients were treated in the past 3 months for advanced/metastatic oesophageal cancer ONLY with:

- Pembrolizumab in combination with Platinum (Cisplatin or Oxaliplatin) and Fluoropyrimidine (5-Fluorouracil or Capecitabine)
- Platinum and Fluoropyrimidine based combination treatments (Cisplatin or Oxaliplatin with 5-Fluorouracil or Capecitabine)
- Nivolumab monotherapy
- Nivolumab and Ipilimumab
- Any other systemic anti-cancer therapy
- Palliative care only

Q5. Of the advanced/metastatic oesophageal cancer patients (from Q4) treated in the past 3 months, how many patients were treated for:

- Advanced/metastatic oesophageal adenocarcinoma
- Advanced/metastatic oesophageal squamous cell carcinoma

Q6. Does your trust participate in any active clinical trials for the treatment of oesophageal cancer? If so, can you please provide the name of each trial and the number of patients taking part.

## Response

1. Please see the table below with the number of patients treated in the past 3 months for gastric and gastro-oesophageal junction cancer (any stage) with:

CAPOX (Capecitabine with Oxaliplatin)	<5
FOLFOX (Folinic acid, Fluorouracil and Oxaliplatin)	0
Pembrolizumab in combination with Platinum (Cisplatin or Oxaliplatin) and Fluoropyrimidine (5-Fluorouracil or Capecitabine)	0
Any other systemic anti-cancer therapy	0
Palliative care only	0

2. Please see the table below with the number of patients treated in the past 3 months for Oesophageal cancer (any stage) with:

Pembrolizumab in combination with Platinum (Cisplatin or Oxaliplatin) and Fluoropyrimidine (5-Fluorouracil or Capecitabine)	0
Platinum and Fluoropyrimidine based combination treatments (Cisplatin or Oxaliplatin with 5-Fluorouracil or Capecitabine)	0
Nivolumabmonotherapy	0
Nivolumab and Ipilimumab	0
Any other systemic anti-cancer therapy	<5
Palliative care only	0

3. Not applicable.

4. Please see the table below with the number of patients treated in the past 3 months for advanced/metastatic oesophageal cancer ONLY with:

Pembrolizumab in combination with Platinum (Cisplatin or Oxaliplatin) and Fluoropyrimidine (5-Fluorouracil or Capecitabine)	0
Platinum and Fluoropyrimidine based combination treatments (Cisplatin or Oxaliplatin with 5-Fluorouracil or Capecitabine)	0
Nivolumabmonotherapy	0
Nivolumab and Ipilimumab	0
Any other systemic anti-cancer therapy 3	<5
Palliative care only	0

5. Please see table below which shows the number of advanced/metastatic oesophageal cancer patients (from Q4) treated in the past 3 months treated for:

Advanced/metastatic oesophageal adenocarcinoma 3	<5
Advanced/metastatic oesophageal squamous cell carcinoma	0

6. No, NHS Borders does not participate in any active clinical trials for the treatment of oesophageal cancer.

Please note that as NHS Borders is such a small Board and the number in some areas are very small, to provide further details could allow individuals to be identified and we would be in breach of the Data Protection Act 2018. We are therefore withholding all other data under Section 38(1)(b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. This is in accordance with the Code of Practice for Official Statistics which states that 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.

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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 **130-22** on this request. Your request should be made within 40 working days from receipt of this letter.

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