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### Freedom of Information request

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received by the Trust on 19/01/2022. Please see responses to your requests below.

**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:**

Treatment	Patients
Adalimumab - Humira	25
Adalimumab Biosimilar	186
Apremilast	140
Bimekizumab	<4
Brodalumab	33
Certolizumab	13
Dimethyl fumarate	23
Etanercept - Enbrel	<4
Etanercept Biosimilar	<4
Guselkumab	44
Infliximab - Remicade	27
Infliximab Biosimilar	<4
Ixekizumab	<4
Risankizumab	95
Secukinumab	48
Tildrakizumab	31
Ustekinumab	84

We are unable to provide precise figures when these are four or less due to the risk that individuals will be identified, as we are required to protect their identity under the Data Protection Act.

In such circumstances sections 40(2) and (3) of the Freedom of Information Act apply. In this case, our view is that disclosure would breach the first data protection principle. This states that personal data should be processed fairly and lawfully. It is the fairness aspect of this principle which, in our view, would be breached by disclosure.

Please accept this letter as completion of your request. Please note that copies of this request will be held on file for three years before being confidentially destroyed.

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, please contact our Head of Information Governance on [Information.Governance@porthosp.nhs.uk](mailto:Information.Governance@porthosp.nhs.uk) or write to the above address and we will conduct an internal review. Upon review, if you are still dissatisfied, you may appeal our decision by contacting the Information Commissioner's Office; for more information, please visit the [ICO's website](#).

Please be aware, if we do not receive an appeal within 30 days of you receiving this letter, we will assume that you are satisfied with our response. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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