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Date Received: 2nd December 2025

Response Due: 2nd January 2026

Date: 30th December 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 2nd December 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

Question 1. How many patients were treated in the last 31 months (August to November 2025) by the dermatology department with each of the following products:

•	Abrocitinib	3
•	Acitretin	27
•	Alitretinoin	4
•	Azathioprine	8
•	Baricitinib	0
•	Ciclosporin	30
•	Dupilumab	80
•	Lebrikizumab	1
•	Methotrexate	124
•	Mycophenolate mofetil	4
•	Pimecrolimus	23
•	Phototherapy (UVB or PUVA) - for Atopic Dermatitis only	N/A ²
•	Tacrolimus ointment	4
•	Tralokinumab	4
•	Upadacitinib	7
•	Nemolizumab	0

Question 2. In the last 31 months, how many new patients have been initiated* on the following treatments by the dermatology department

•	Abrocitinib	1
•	Baricitinib	0
•	Dupilumab	8
•	Lebrikizumab	0
•	Tralokinumab	0
•	Upadacitinib	1
•	Nemolizumab	0

Question 3. Of the patients treated in the last 4 months with any of the products listed in question 1, please provide the number of patients by the following age group:
Pharmacy data sources used to answer the FOI do not record the date of birth and so we are unable to provide an answer for this question.

•	6 months to 5	N/A
•	Age 6-11	N/A
•	Age 12-17	N/A
•	Age 18 and above	N/A

***Patients are considered initiated if they have not been treated in the previous 8 months with any of the drugs that are part of the named regimen**

Notes:

1 Relevant Period = August to October 2025 – We don't have data from our SLA provider yet so can't provide Nov-25 data, we have provided the data the trust currently holds.

2 For Phototherapy, these agents are issued as stock to dermatology and so no patient level records are available in the pharmacy system.

Please also note that there may have been some prescribing of these agents via FP10, but we are unable to track that to patient level and so any such data can't be included.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



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