

Reference:	FOI.9880.22
Subject:	Biologic medicines prescribed by the Dermatology Department
Date of Request:	16 September 2022

Requested:

Could you please tell me how many patients were treated in the last 3 months by the **Dermatology** department (for any medical condition) with the following biologic drugs:

- Abatacept
- Adalimumab - Humira
- Adalimumab Biosimilar
- Apremilast
- Bimekizumab
- Brodalumab
- Certolizumab
- Dimethyl fumarate
- Etanercept - Enbrel
- Etanercept Biosimilar
- Golimumab
- Guselkumab
- Infliximab - Remicade
- Infliximab Biosimilar
- Ixekizumab
- Risankizumab
- Secukinumab
- Tildrakizumab
- Tofacitinib
- Ustekinumab
- Upadacitinib

Response:

The table below provides the number of biologic medicines dispensed by the Dermatology Department between 16 June and 15 September 2022.

Medication	Number
Abatacept	0
Adalimumab - Humira	*
Adalimumab Biosimilar	68
Apremilast	8
Bimekizumab	0
Brodalumab	0
Certolizumab	*
Dimethyl fumarate	*
Etanercept - Enbrel	0
Etanercept Biosimilar	*
Golimumab	0

Guselkumab	*
Infliximab - Remicade	0
Infliximab Biosimilar	*
Ixekizumab	*
Risankizumab	*
Secukinumab	26
Tildrakizumab	*
Tofacitinib	0
Ustekinumab	22
Upadacitinib	0

Where the figures in the tables have been replaced with an asterisk (*), the UHB is unable to provide you with the exact number of medications dispensed, due to the low number of cases (5 and under), as there is a potential risk of identifying individuals if this was disclosed. The UHB is therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of information Act 2000 (FoIA). This information is protected by the Data Protection Act 2018 and the UK General Data Protection Regulations (UK GDPR), as its disclosure would constitute unfair and unlawful processing and would be contrary to the principles and articles 6 and 9 of the UK GDPR. This exemption is absolute and therefore, there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

In reaching this decision, the Data Protection Act 2018/UK GDPR define personal data as data which relates to a living individual who can be identified solely from that data, or from that data and other information, which is in the possession of the data controller.