

Reference:	FOI.18285.25
Subject:	SARS-CoV-2 virus
Date of Request:	4 September 2025

Requested:

1. Does Hywel Dda University Health Board currently hold any physical samples (e.g., isolates, specimens, or cultures) of the SARSCoV-2 virus from patients diagnosed with COVID-19?
2. If so, how many such samples are held, and from what time periods?
3. Does Hywel Dda University Health Board possess complete genomic sequences of the SARS-CoV-2 virus derived from these samples?
4. Are these samples or sequences shared with external entities (e.g., research institutions, pharmaceutical companies, or international organisations)? If so, under what terms?

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) does not hold any physical samples of the SARSCoV-2 virus from patients diagnosed with COVID-19.
2. Not applicable.
3. The UHB does not hold any complete genomic sequences of the SARS-CoV-2 virus derived from samples.
4. Not applicable.