

Ref: 25-581

Freedom of Information Request

8th October 2025

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

We can confirm that we do hold the information you are requesting

Q1. Within your trust, how many patients underwent their first allogeneic HSCT (OPCS-4 codes X33.6, X33.8, or X33.9):

- In 2023 178
- In 2024 111
- Between January 2025 and June 2025 66

Q2a. Within your trust, of all the patients identified in Q1, how many were diagnosed with chronic graft-versus-host disease (cGvHD)*:

- In 2023 **
- In 2024 **
- Between January 2025 and June 2025 **

Please note: Where the figures are between 1 and 5, this has been denoted by **. Due to the low numbers, we have considered that there is the potential for individuals to be identified from the information provided, when considered with other information that may also be in the public domain. In our view disclosure of these low figures would breach one of the Data Protection Principles set out in Schedule 1 of the Data Protection Act, namely Principle 1. The Trust therefore finds that the Section 40(2) exemption contained within the Freedom of information Act 2000 is engaged. This follows NHS Digital (formerly HSCIC) analysis guidance (2014) which states that small numbers within local authorities, wards, postcode districts, providers and Trusts may allow identification of patients and should not be published.

*cGvHD will be defined as ODS-10 code D89.811 OR EITHER ODS-10 code D89.8 ≥100 days after allogeneic HSCT or ODS-10 code T86.0 ≥100 days after allogeneic HSCT.

Q2b. Within your trust, of all the patients identified in Q1, how many were ≥12 years of age when diagnosed with cGvHD (as defined above):

- In 2023 **
- In 2024 **
- Between January 2025 and June 2025 **

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Q3. Within your trust, how many patients are currently receiving treatment for cGvHD (as defined above) with:

- Jakavi (ruxolitinib) 32
- Extracorporeal photopheresis (ECP) 0
- Rezurock (belumosudil) 14
- Any other treatment [please state which treatments]

Q4. Within your trust, between January 2025 and June 2025, how many patients were initiated* on Rezurock (belumosudil)?

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*Patients are considered initiated if they have not been treated with Rezurock (belumosudil) in the previous 12 months.

Q5. Within your trust, how many patients are currently receiving 400mg of Rezurock (belumosudil) daily (200mg twice daily)?

We are unable to provide this information. Please note, the Trust does not hold the data in a format that would enable us to fully respond to your request to the level of detail required and a manual trawl for this information would significantly exceed the 18 hours limit set down by the FOI as the reasonable limit. Section 12 of the FOIA provides that we are not obliged to

spend in excess of 18 hours in any sixty-day period locating, retrieving and identifying information in order to deal with a request for information and therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

Q6. Within your trust, since January 2024, how many patients have discontinued treatment with Rezurock (belumosudil)?

We are unable to provide this information. Please note, the Trust does not hold the data in a format that would enable us to fully respond to your request to the level of detail required and a manual trawl for this information would significantly exceed the 18 hours limit set down by the FOI as the reasonable limit. Section 12 of the FOIA provides that we are not obliged to spend in excess of 18 hours in any sixty-day period locating, retrieving and identifying information in order to deal with a request for information and therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

Q7. Within your trust, what is the average duration of Rezurock (belumosudil) treatment, in months?

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This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Data Protection Officer
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Marlborough Street
Bristol
BS1 3NU

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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