

FOI2881

13th February 2025**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST**

I would like to submit an FOI request for the amount of human albumin in grams purchased by the trust in 2024 (the entire calendar year),

a. broken down by manufacturer (Bio Products Laboratory, Grifols, Biotest, CSL Behring, Octapharma, Takeda),

Response:

This information is not recorded. We can trace it through the batch numbers but it would take significant resource to look into each case and would exceed the cost limit.

Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, Public Authorities are not obliged to comply with an information request where to do so would exceed the cost limit.

Unfortunately, we are unable to provide the information you have requested as the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the “appropriate limit” as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004. It has been estimated that it would take more than 18 hours to locate and retrieve the requested information. In order to obtain this information and it would exceed the £450 limit and is therefore cost prohibitive.

b. by concentration (4.5%, 5%, 20%) and

Response:

Please see attachment 1.

c. by service ordering albumin (ICU, Liver unit, etc.)

Response:

Please see attachment 1, we do not total the numbers used per service area but I have included the numbers of instances of orders relating to wards.

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