

## Treatment of Dermatological Conditions

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

Please be aware that the Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (Royal Devon) has existed since 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 following the integration of the Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust (known as Northern Services) and the Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust (known as Eastern Services).

*Dear Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust,*

*I am analysing the treatment of dermatological conditions in the UK. Could you please answer the following questions.*

- 1. How many patients were treated in the last 4 months (April to July 2023) by the dermatology department with each of the following products:*

Answer: Please see table below. In accordance with Section 40 (2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we are unable to provide figures where the number of patients is less than or equal to five and could risk the identification of those patients and breach Caldicott principles. In these cases  $\leq 5$  is used to indicate that a figure between 1 and 5 is being suppressed.

This follows NHS Digital (formerly HSCIC) analysis guidance (2014) which states that small numbers within local authorities, wards, postcode districts, CCG's providers and Trusts may allow identification of patients and should not be published.

<i>Treatment</i>	<i>Patient Count</i>
<i>Abrocitinib</i>	8
<i>Acitretin</i>	131
<i>Alitretinoin</i>	21
<i>Azathioprine</i>	Nil
<i>Baricitinib</i>	$\leq 5$
<i>Ciclosporin</i>	16
<i>Dupilumab</i>	160
<i>Methotrexate</i>	239
<i>Mycophenolate mofetil</i>	17
<i>Pimecrolimus</i>	24
<i>Phototherapy (UVB or PUVA)</i>	209
<i>Tacrolimus ointment</i>	68
<i>Tralokinumab</i>	12
<i>Upadacitinib</i>	9

*For patients treated by the dermatology department with Dupilumab in the latest four months (April to July 2023), could you please tell us:*

- 2. how many patients were treated in the previous 4-month period (December 22 - March 23) with Dupilumab?*

Answer: 129 patients.

- 3. how many patients were treated in the previous 4-month period (December 22 - March 23) with any of the following advanced therapies - Abrocitinib, Baricitinib, Tralokinumab and Upadacitinib?*

Answer: Nil patients.

- 4. how many patients were treated in the previous 4-month period (December 22 - March 23) with any of the following immunosuppressants - Methotrexate, Ciclosporin, Mycophenolate or Azathioprine?*

Answer: 11 patients.

- 5. how many patients were treated in the previous 4-month period (December 22 - March 23) with any of the following - Acitretin, Alitretin, Pimecrolimus or Tacrolimus?*

Answer: 6 patients.