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Subject: Biologic medicines in Dermatology

### REQUEST

I have a freedom of information query regarding the use of Biologic medicines in Dermatology. Could you please answer the following two questions: Q1. How many patients were treated in the last 3 months by the Dermatology department (for any medical condition) with the following biologic drugs: please provide us the A& E data also.

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

Q2. How many patients have been treated for Psoriasis ONLY in the last three months with the following:

- Ciclosporin
- Methotrexate any form and strength
- Methotrexate injections 15mg and above

#### **RESPONSE**

#### Pharmacy Response

## Question 1

Drug	Number of Patients treated in the
	last 3 months
Adalimumab - Humira	9
Adalimumab Biosimilar	42
Apremilast	65
Bimekizumab	0
Brodalumab	0
Certolizumab	0
Dimethyl fumarate	16
Etanercept - Enbrel	0
Etanercept Biosimilar	0
Guselkumab	*<5
Infliximab - Remicade	0
Infliximab Biosimilar	0
Ixekizumab	*<5
Risankizumab	*<5
Secukinumab	*<5
Tildrakizumab	0
Ustekinumab	19

Please note \*<5 has been added where the number of patients is 5 or less, this information has been redacted to protect patient confidentiality and to ensure that patients can not be identified.

# Question 2

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