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Date: 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023  
Ref: CORP 2023-067

Dear \*\*\*\*\*

**Freedom of Information request: Request for AZUK Oncology (CORP 2023-067)**

Thank you for your request for the following information which the Trust received on the 20<sup>th</sup> of April 2023.

Your Request:

*Please may you tell me **how many patients were initiated** with each drug and indication/form below:*

Title	NICE TA Codes
<i>Olaparib for previously treated BRCA mutation-positive hormone-relapsed metastatic prostate cancer</i>	TA831
<i>Olaparib plus bevacizumab for maintenance treatment of advanced ovarian, fallopian tube or primary peritoneal cancer</i>	TA693
<i>Olaparib for maintenance treatment of relapsed platinum-sensitive ovarian, fallopian tube or peritoneal cancer</i>	TA620
<i>Olaparib for maintenance treatment of BRCA mutation-positive advanced ovarian, fallopian tube or peritoneal cancer after response to first-line platinum-based chemotherapy</i>	TA598

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<i>Osimertinib for adjuvant treatment of EGFR mutation-positive non-small-cell lung cancer after complete tumour resection</i>	TA761
<i>Osimertinib for treating EGFR T790M mutation-positive advanced non-small-cell lung cancer</i>	TA653
<i>Osimertinib for untreated EGFR mutation-positive non-small-cell lung cancer</i>	TA654
<i>Acalabrutinib for treating chronic lymphocytic leukaemia</i>	TA689
<i>Durvalumab for maintenance treatment of unresectable non-small-cell lung cancer after platinum-based chemoradiation</i>	TA798
<i>Trastuzumab deruxtecan for treating HER2-positive unresectable or metastatic breast cancer after 1 or more anti-HER2 treatments</i>	TA862
<i>Trastuzumab deruxtecan for treating HER2-positive unresectable or metastatic breast cancer after 2 or more anti-HER2 therapies</i>	TA704

*Level of Granularity: across all trusts combined.*

*Data periods:*

- *Monthly from January 2022 to February 2023*

*Total yearly 2020, 2021 and 2022, for each drug and indication/form above*

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The Trust has reviewed your request which is correctly formatted and complies with Section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act.

The Trust does not record the data requested in a format that enables the information to be easily retrieved to the level of detail required to specifically answer your request.

The Trust estimates that to carry out this task, the cost of complying would exceed the appropriate limit of 18 hours of work at a rate of £25 per hour or £450.

As result, the Trust is applying a Qualified Exemption under Section 12 (Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit) In particular the legislation states:

***12 Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit.***

*(1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.*

The Trust has a duty to advise and assist you under Section 16 of the Act, therefore may I suggest that you consider the option to revise your request so that it falls below the prescribed appropriate limit.

To provide you with the necessary guidance, Page 23, paragraph 6.9 of [Section 45 \(Code of Practice\) on Request Handling under FOI](#) states:

*6.9 Where a request is refused under section 12, public authorities should consider what advice and assistance can be provided to help the applicant reframe or refocus their request with a view to bringing it within the cost limit. This may include suggesting that the subject or timespan of the request is*

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*narrowed. Any refined request should be treated as a new request for the purposes of the Act.*

In reaching this decision we estimate that it would take a minimum of 20 hours or £550 an amount of £100 over the core amount of £450 extra to obtain the data. The amount would require payment in full prior to the Trust undertaking the work.

However, under Section 16 of the Act (duty to provide advice and assistance), the Trust suggests that you revise your request so that it falls below the prescribed appropriate limit. In order to provide more information, Page 23, paragraph 6.9 of [Section 45 \(Code of Practice\) on Request Handling under FOI](#) states:

*6.9 Where a request is refused under section 12, public authorities should consider what advice and assistance can be provided to help the applicant reframe or refocus their request with a view to bringing it within the cost limit. This may include suggesting that the subject or timespan of the request is narrowed. Any refined request should be treated as a new request for the purposes of the Act.*

I trust this answers your request for information and providing you with necessary advice and guidance. However, should you not be satisfied with the information supplied or the process of supplying it, you have a right to complain and request a review. Please note that you must submit a compliant or request for review within 40 days of the date of this letter.

You should forward your complaint to:-

Mr Ian Bevan via [FOI.VUNHST@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:FOI.VUNHST@wales.nhs.uk)  
Head of Information Governance  
Velindre University NHS Trust  
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Should you wish to take your complaint further, if you are still unhappy with the decision after review, you can contact the:-

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Churchill Way,  
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Yours sincerely,

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