

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_552_23

You asked:

I have a freedom of information query related to the treatment of fungal infections. Could you please answer the following questions:

Q1. In the last 12 months, how many patients have been treated (for any condition) with the following drugs:

- **Amphotericin B (Ambisome)**
- **Caspofungin (Cancidas)**
- **Isavuconazole (Cresemba)**
- **Posaconazole (Noxafil)**
- **Voriconazole (VFEND)**

Unfortunately, the Medicines Management Service is unable to provide the data as number of patients, due to our Pharmacy system not being able to record this level of detail for these particular medicines. The patient information you require would be recorded within an individual patient's health record as part of their ongoing care. To provide you with this information, would require a manual trawl and significantly exceed the 18 hours time and £450 cost limit set out within Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act.

However, to assist you with your request, please see provided below a table populated with the number of issues for the period 1st December 22 to 30 November 23, the latest 12 month period available.

Medicine	Strength	Pack Size	Number of Issues
Amphotericin B (Ambisome)	50 mg Intravenous Infusion	10 Vial Pack	40
Caspofungin	50 mg Intravenous Infusion	1 Vial Pack	513
Caspofungin	70 mg Intravenous Infusion	1 Vial Pack	239
Isavuconazole (Cresemba)			0
Posaconazole	40 mg in 1mL Oral Liquid	105 mL Bottle	25
Posaconazole	100 mg Tablets	24 Tablet Pack	135
Posaconazole	100 mg Tablets	96 Tablet Pack	23
Voriconazole	50 mg Tablets	28 Tablet Pack	11
Voriconazole	200 mg Tablets	28 Tablet Pack	23
Voriconazole	200 mg Intravenous Infusion	1 Vial Pack	95

Q2a. In the last 12 months, how many hospital inpatients were diagnosed with Aspergillosis (ICD10 code: B44)?

15.

Q2b. Of the above patients diagnosed with Aspergillosis in the last 12 months, how many patients were treated with the following drugs:

- **Amphotericin B (Ambisome)**
- **Caspofungin (Cancidas)**

- **Isavuconazole (Cresemba)**
- **Posaconazole (Noxafil)**
- **Voriconazole (VFEND)**

Please see response to question 1.

Q3a. In the last 12 months, how many hospital inpatients were diagnosed with Mucormycosis (ICD10 code: B46)?

Zero.

Q3b. Of the above patients diagnosed with Mucormycosis in the last 12 months, how many patients were treated with the following drugs:

- **Amphotericin B (Ambisome)**
- **Isavuconazole (Cresemba)**
- **Posaconazole (Noxafil)**

N/A.