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Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_288_26

You asked:

I would like to raise an FOI request, which I hope you will be able to help me with.

How many new patients were treated for any condition by the Trust's Rheumatology Department in the latest 3-month period of January, February and March 2026 (or the latest 3 months available) with the treatments I have provided below?

If you are able to, could you please provide the split of new patients who received their treatment for Axial Spondyloarthritis (axSpA), Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA) and Psoriatic Arthritis (PsA).

Please can you define a "new patient" as a patient who is receiving any of the treatments listed below for the first time. If a patient received any of the below treatments in 2024 or previous years, they can be classed as a new patient for this period.

	Total Rheumatology Department	Axial Spondyloarthritis (axSpA)	Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA)	Psoriatic Arthritis (PsA)
Abatacept [Orencia]				
Adalimumab [Humira]				
Adalimumab [All Biosimilars]				
Apremilast [Otezla]				
Apremilast [Generic]				
Baricitinib [Olumiant]				
Bimekizumab [Bimzelx]				
Certolizumab [Cimzia]				
Etanercept [Enbrel]				
Etanercept [All Biosimilars]				
Filgotinib [Jyseleca]				
Golimumab [Simponi]				
Golimumab [All Biosimilars]				
Guselkumab [Tremfya]				
Infliximab [Remicade]				
Infliximab [All Biosimilars]				
Ixekizumab [Taltz]				

Risankizumab [Skyrizi]				
Rituximab [MabThera]				
Rituximab [Biosimilars]				
Sarilumab [Kevzara]				
Secukinumab [Cosentyx]				
Tocilizumab [RoActemra]				
Tocilizumab [Biosimilars]				
Tofacitinib [Xeljanz]				
Upadacitinib [Rinvoq]				
Ustekinumab [Stelara]				
Ustekinumab Biosimilar				

Our response:

Unfortunately, we are unable to identify the number of “new patients” as this detailed information is not recorded within our Medicines Management electronic system.

We therefore confirm that the Health Board does not centrally record this specific information. The 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.