

FOI REF: 23/304

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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

- 1. How many patients has your trust/health board treated in the past 6 months (for any disease) with the following drugs:**

The below data is for the period between 1st October 2022 and 31st March 2023.

• <b>Aubagio (teriflunomide)</b>	32
• <b>Avonex (interferon beta-1a)</b>	23
• <b>Betaferon (interferon beta-1b)</b>	2
• <b>Brabio (glatiramer acetate)</b>	0
• <b>Copaxone (glatiramer acetate)</b>	41
• <b>Extavia (beta interferon-1b)</b>	1
• <b>Gilenya (fingolimod)</b>	0
• <b>Lemtrada (alemtuzumab)</b>	0
• <b>Kesimpta (ofatumumab)</b>	0
• <b>Mavenclad (cladribine)</b>	0
• <b>Mayzent (siponimod)</b>	0
• <b>Ocrevus (ocrelizumab)</b>	0
• <b>Plegridy (peginterferon beta-1a)</b>	3
• <b>Ponvory (ponesimod)</b>	0
• <b>Rebif (beta interferon-1a)</b>	31
• <b>Tecfidera (dimethyl fumarate)</b>	55
• <b>Tysabri (natalizumab)</b>	0
• <b>Tysabri (natalizumab) pre-filled syringes ONLY</b>	0
• <b>Vumerity (diroximel fumarate)</b>	0
• <b>Zeposia (ozanimod)</b>	0

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2. It would also be very helpful if you could advise how many hospital patients registered with your trust/health board have a primary or secondary diagnosis for the following conditions:

Clarification was sought with regard to your definition of 'Registered' and over what period. Confirmation was received as follows:

Kindly provide patients treated (including hospital admissions) for Multiple Sclerosis from November 2022 to April 2023.

• Multiple sclerosis (any type)	936
• Relapsing remitting multiple sclerosis (RRMS)	463
• Primary progressive multiple sclerosis (PPMS)	394
• Secondary progressive multiple sclerosis (SPMS)	79

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Please write to the Freedom of Information Department ([esh-tr.foi@nhs.net](mailto:esh-tr.foi@nhs.net)), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

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Yours sincerely

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