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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION - FLT3 TESTING

I write in response to your request for information in relation to FLT3 testing.

Question:

1. Which Trusts do you carry out FLT3 testing for?

Answer:

NHS Lothian performs FLT3 testing for NHS Borders, NHS Fife and NHS Lothian

Question:

2. How many FLT3 tests have you done in the last 12 months?

Answer:

Data are available for the most recent financial year (i.e. 2024/2025). 111 FLT3 tests were performed

Question:

3. How many FLT3 tests have you done in the last 12 months for each of the Trusts in your answer to Question 1?

Answer:

The breakdown of FLT3 testing by board is as follows:

NHS Borders	15
NHS Fife	35
NHS Lothian	61

Question:

4. How many positive FLT3 test results have you had in the last 12 months for each of the Trusts in your answer to Question 1?

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Answer:

Results are not recorded in this way. It is not possible using our current system (LIMS) to generate this data. Based on knowledge of this variant, it would be expected that approximately 30-40 of these would be FLT3 positive/

I hope the information provided helps with your request.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request, you do have the right to request us to review it. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner within 6 months of receipt of our review response. You can do this by using the Scottish Information Commissioner's Office online appeals service at www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal. If you remain dissatisfied with the Commissioner's response you then have the option to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law.

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Yours sincerely

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