Freedom of Information request: 2018/005

Thank you for your refinement to your Freedom of Information request received on 7\textsuperscript{th} February 2019 in which you requested the following:

Your Request:

In your original request of 7\textsuperscript{th} January 2019, you asked:

1. The total number of qualified doctors funded at each level of Fellowship that you offer.

2. The total number of Basic Scientists funded at each level of Fellowship that you offer.

3. The within the answer to (1), the total number of people who define their specialty as one of the surgical specialties (please specify which surgical subspecialty each person belongs to); the total number of people who define their specialty as a medical (non-surgical) specialty (please specify which medical subspecialty each person belongs to); the total number of people who define their specialty as General Practice. Again, these figures should be broken down by Fellowship level.

4. For each of your selection panels for research funding, please would you specify the total number of people on the panel, the number who are basic scientists (non-clinicians), and the number who are clinicians. Within the clinicians, please would you specify if they are surgeons or non-surgeons, and their medical or surgical subspecialty.

As to provide the information you originally requested would have exceeded the appropriate limit you refined your request on 7\textsuperscript{th} February asking for the following information:

We are particularly interested in the number of surgeons who are funded by your fellowships, as opposed to other professions.

Could you refine it down to focus on just surgeons (as opposed to focusing on other clinical professions) at each level of fellowship.
Our response:

I can confirm UK Research and Innovation does hold information relevant to your request.

At 1st January 2019 there were 355 live MRC fellows, 178 non-clinical fellows (support through the Skills Development Fellowships, Career Development Awards and Senior non-clinical Fellowships) and 177 clinical fellows (supported through the Clinical Research Training Fellowships, Clinician Scientist Fellowships and Senior Clinical Fellowships).

The breakdown of clinical fellows who have reported a surgical specialty in their application are detailed below:

- 14 of 125 Clinical Research Training Fellows
- 1 of 46 Clinician Scientist Fellows
- 1 of 6 Senior Clinical Fellows

If you have any queries about this response please contact me, or if you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to request a review of our decision, please write to:

Complaints Officer
UK Research and Innovation
Polaris House
North Star Avenue
Swindon
SN2 1FL
Email: foi@ukri.org

Please quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are still not content with the outcome of the review, you may apply to refer the matter to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the review procedure provided by UKRI. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House,
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Enquiry/Information Line: Between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday 0303 123 1113 or 01625 545745
Further information about the Office of the Information Commissioner can be found at http://www.ico.gov.uk/

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
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