

15th April 2019

Sent by email: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED],

Freedom of Information request: 2018/0064

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on 28th February 2019 and clarification received on 18th March 2019. In your request you asked the following:

Your Request:

Who ordered the cessation of the Gulf War Illness / Syndrome Study relating to the positive research found regarding the HIGHLY unusual commonality of rare hypopituitarism found amongst ill Gulf Veterans (see Professor S. Atkin & Dr Sathyalapan - Hull royal University - Endocrinology Department.) and why can it not be immediately revisited using veteran led / government aided momentum?

Our response:

I can confirm UK Research and Innovation does not hold information relevant to your request.

In considering your request, we have undertaken a search of records relating to the Medical Research Council (MRC) which has supported research relating to Gulf War Illnesses/Syndrome. No information relating to research into 'Gulf war syndrome' and 'pituitary hypophysitis' or 'hypopituitarism' was identified and no information is held relating to discussions of research in these areas.

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
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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,

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