

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference FoI/20/265**  
**Patents and Licensing Agreements**

**Request details**

Regarding patents that your organisation does own or has previously owned, as a sole owner or jointly with others, please provide me with:

- 1. The number of licensing or assignment agreements signed between your organisation and another entity/entities, granting rights to such patents or transferring ownership of such patents, since the year 2000.**

In completing a search for the information requested, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (the UHB) has confirmed that this information is not centrally recorded or collated. To retrieve the information requested would require a manual search through individual records and the UHB considers that this would exceed the limit set within regulations for responding to a request. The UHB has therefore relied upon the Section 12 exemption ('Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit') of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and is refusing your request.

The UHB has estimated that to complete the work needed to respond to this request would exceed the time limit as set within regulations to respond to a Freedom of Information Act request. Under the Act there is an allowance of two and a half days, or 18 hours, to comply with a request and the cost limit set within the fees regulations for this amount of work (18 hours) is £450 for the UHB. The fees regulations specify that the cost of complying with a request must be calculated at the rate of £25 per hour.

To comply with our Section 16 obligation, the duty to provide advice and assistance, I would like to advise you that the UHB has only had an in-house innovation service in the last three years and is therefore unable to provide information before this date. In recent times, two patents have been filed with, and assigned to Cardiff University.

- 2. A list of all licensing agreements signed between your organisation and other parties on such patents, containing, for each agreement: the name(s) of the party/parties and year of signing, since the year 2000.**

2017- Cardiff University – Joint Ownership

2020- Cardiff University – Joint Ownership

- 3. The annual income from each of these licensing agreements, by year, since the year 2000.**

No income has yet been received on these patents.

- 4. A list of all patents that your organisation does own or has previously owned, as a sole owner or jointly with others.**

Please refer to question 2.