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Cais Rhyddid Gwybodaeth / Freedom of Information request **Ein Cyf / Our Ref: 23-A-050**

You asked:

I am researching the usage of high-cost drugs in ophthalmology.

1. For the 4 months from September to December 2022, how many patients received the following anti-VEGF treatments for any eye condition:

Aflibercept - 1987

Bevacizumab - 0

Brolucizumab - 0

Dexamethasone - 68

Faricimab - 31

Ranibizumab – Lucentis - 9

Ranibizumab – Ongavia - 0

2. For the patients above, how many were new to anti-VEGF therapy? Please provide the patient numbers by the treatments listed below, excluding patients who previously had any anti-VEGF therapy.

Aflibercept - 39

Bevacizumab - 0

Brolucizumab - 0

Dexamethasone - <5*

Faricimab - 31

Ranibizumab – Lucentis - 0

Ranibizumab – Ongavia - 0



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* Where fewer than 5 has been indicated we are unable to provide you with the exact number of patients as due to the low numbers, there is a potential risk of identifying individuals if this was disclosed. We are therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This information is protected by the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018 and its disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute as unfair and unlawful processing in regard to Articles 5, 6, and 9 of GDPR. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

