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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to bronchial challenge tests.

You asked:

- 1) The number of bronchial challenge tests performed by the trust, and at which sites within the Trust, during 2019 and 2021*
- 2) The chemical agent used for the test e.g. mannitol or methacholine*
- 3) The providers or bronchial challenge testing on behalf of the trust, should this be a procedure that is referred elsewhere*
- 4) The contact details of the sites/departments performing the tests?*

Trust response:

- 1) The Trust saw 83 patients for mannitol bronchial challenge between 01/01/2019 to 31/12/2021. Bronchial test was stopped for some period during the above time or reduced during March 2019 -2021 due to COVID-19.
- 2) Mannitol
- 3) Tests are performed at the trust only
- 4) Lung Function Department at Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells site