

Ref. FOI/20201025/03

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Reply to request for information under the Freedom of Information Act	
Your ref	Email of 25 October 2020
Request	<p>1. A breakdown of all funding (including all financial support, grants, donations, etc.) that has been received by the University of Oxford and the Jenner institute relating to ChAdOx vaccine platform, from the earliest date for which information is available to the present day. Please include:</p> <p>1A. the grant number (if available) and date.</p> <p>1B. Please break funding down into 1) funding from public (governmental) bodies, 2) private entities, and 3) philanthropies/charitable bodies.</p> <p>1C. Please include the full name of the funding body.</p> <p>1D. Please specify amounts in GBP.</p> <p>Relevant keywords for such funding may include: ChAdOx1, ChAdOx2, VTP500.</p> <p>2. What is the amount of grant funding from government entities (such as the Medical Research Council, or other research funders) that the University of Oxford and the Jenner Institute has received, since 1 January 2020, for projects relating to the development of the ChAdOx1 nCoV-19 vaccine? Please provide a breakdown of funding which includes the grant number (if available) and date and provide the full name of the funding body. Please specify amounts in GBP. Relevant keywords for such funding may include: AZD12222, ChAdOx1 nCoV-19, ChAdOx1, Oxford (COVID-19) vaccine, ChAdOx1 trials, SARS-COV-2 vaccine, VTP500.</p> <p>3. Please specify the amount that the University of Oxford and the Jenner Institute has received from AstraZeneca, since 1 January 2020, for projects relating to the development of the ChAdOx1 nCoV-19 vaccine? Please provide a breakdown of funding giving the relevant dates and specifying amounts in GBP. Relevant keywords for such funding may include: AZD12222, ChAdOx1 nCoV-19, ChAdOx1, Oxford (COVID-19) vaccine, ChAdOx1 trials, SARS-COV-2 vaccine, VTP500.</p>

Dear Sarai Keestra,

I write in reply to your email to 25 October 2020, requesting the information shown above.

Item 1

We will not comply with this request in its current form, as we estimate that the time required to determine whether the information requested is held, and to locate, retrieve and extract it, would exceed the maximum amount of time a public authority is required to spend on a single request, namely, 18 hours.

The research covered by the request goes back over 10 years and involves a large number of investigators and research teams. As a result, the information requested is not readily available from a single system, file or set of files, but would need to be collected manually from different teams or individuals, and from information

held on a number of different systems and files. It is taking time to locate and extract the information. We apologise for the delay and hope to be able to provide the information no later than 11 December.

For these reasons, we are refusing your request under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Section 12 allows a public authority to refuse a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with it would exceed the 'appropriate limit' prescribed in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004 (the 'Regulations'). The appropriate limit for universities is £450, which, because the Regulations fix staff costs at £25 an hour, corresponds to a time limit of 18 hours or just over two working days.

Item 2

The table below shows the funding received from charities as well as public sector bodies.

Funder	Funder ref	Amount (£)	Start date
Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations	RROX2001	272,286.00	13/01/2020
Medical Research Council	MC_PC_19055	2,174,847.97	01/01/2020
Department of Health and Social Care	COV19 OxfordVacc-01	31,179,621.00	01/01/2020
Wellcome Trust	220991/Z/20/Z	1,217,834.78	01/07/2020
Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences	Mapping the human immune response post-vaccination with ChAdOx1 nCoV-19	68,106.34	01/03/2020

Item 3

I confirm that the University holds information that falls within the scope of this request. However, we are not yet in a position to respond, as we first need to consult Astra Zeneca in order to determine whether they consider any of the information to be exempt from disclosure. This will be done in accordance with section 3 of the [Code of Practice on Freedom of Information](#) issued under section 45 of the FOIA.

INTERNAL REVIEW

You may request an internal review of this response by e-mailing foi@admin.ox.ac.uk. A request for internal review should be submitted no later than 40 working days from the date of this letter.

THE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER

If, after the internal review, you are still dissatisfied, you have the right under FOIA to apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision as to whether your request has been dealt with in accordance with the FOIA. You can do this online using the [Information Commissioner's complaints portal](#).

Yours sincerely

Information Compliance Team