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Dear Susan

### Freedom of information request

Thank you for your email of 14 September 2018 requesting MBChB (UCAS code A100) application statistics for the years of entry 2016, 2017, and 2018.

The Edinburgh Medical School is renowned for preparing its students to be world class doctors. The MBChB programme curriculum aims to ensure that our graduates are caring, competent, confident and reflective practitioners, and are able to function at the highest level in academic, hospital or community settings. Further information about the MBChB is published on the website at <https://www.ed.ac.uk/medicine-vet-medicine/edinburgh-medical-school>.

You asked for numbers of Rest of UK (RUK) domiciled applicants offering each number of points from 34 to 40 out of 40 points for the selector's score in each year. These are presented below.

Academic Year of Entry	Total Score in Selection						
	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
2016/7	36	53	50	37	28	26	8
2017/8	53	55	55	45	32	10	9
2018/9	67	77	56	70	62	33	15

You asked for the lowest selector's score (not including applicants with special considerations or reduced offers due to contextual information) for which an applicant was given an offer. These are presented below.

Year of Entry	Minimum Total Score for Offer
2018	36
2017	35
2016	36

You asked whether additional A\*s or UKCAT points above the requirements for maximum number of points on the selector's score are used to decide between applicants and if the selector's score is the sole decider. Our MBChB Selector's Handbook is available at <https://www.ed.ac.uk/medicine-vet-medicine/edinburgh-medical-school/medicine/applying/selection>. This describes our selection process in full and gives the scoring rubrics for A Level applicants on p.15. We score an applicant's best 3 A Levels and

the maximum number of points available in the A Level component reflects 2 or more A\* grades predicted or achieved.

You asked the number of applicants gaining each score, 1 - 6, on the personal statement and reference. These are presented below.

	Personal Scoring					
Academic Year of Entry	1	2	3	4	5	6
2016/7	54	93	104	103	95	39
2017/8	22	86	211	207	78	8
2018/9	18	87	212	305	162	13

You asked the number of applicants applying with maximum points for academia, the UKCAT, and the SJT. These are presented below.

Academic Year of Entry	No. Applicants with Maximum Academic Score	No. Applicants with Maximum UKCAT Score	No. Applicants with Maximum SJT Score
2016/7	271	140	229
2017/8	300	131	285
2018/9	356	180	436

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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Cherry', written in a cursive style.

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