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Dear Manasi Rao,

Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“the Act”)

Further to your recent request for information held by King’s College London, I am writing to confirm that the requested information is held by the university.

Your request

We received your information request on 3 June 2022 and have treated it as a request for information made under section 1(1) of the Act.

You requested the following information:

Could you please share (i) the number applications received and (ii) the number of offers made for a) UK students and b) All Students for the following courses for entry in 2022, 2021 and 2020.

- 1) Biochemistry*
- 2) Global Health & Social Medicine*
- 3) Medical Physiology*
- 4) Neuroscience*

Our response

Part of the information you have requested is already reasonably accessible via the Admissions section of the King’s College London’s website. The information has therefore been withheld under Section 21 of the FOIA (‘information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means’).

The data is available via this page:

<https://www.kcl.ac.uk/aboutkings/orgstructure/ps/acservices/admissions/admissions>

In the spreadsheet here:

<https://www.kcl.ac.uk/aboutkings/orgstructure/ps/acservices/admissions/admissions-statistics-2021.xlsx>

For instance, Biochemistry is at line 81 on tab 1.

2022 statistics will also be published here in due course, therefore, for that part of your request:

This information will be published on the KCL Admissions section of the College's public website within the near future as part of a wider annual admissions publication (please check for updates here:

<https://www.kcl.ac.uk/aboutkings/orgstructure/ps/acservices/admissions/admissions>), it has therefore been withheld under Section 22 of the FOIA ('future publication').

Please note, although the University must hold the information at the time of the request with a view to its publication, this exemption does not require a set publication date to be in place. However, the University expects to publish admissions data by the end of October 2022.

As the University has now an established process for making the requested dataset available, it is not in the public interest to bypass this solely to comply with your request as this would require public resources to be diverted from other Admissions activities which benefit the public more; such as supporting current and prospective students through the application process.

On this occasion then the university finds the public interest favours withholding this part of the information.

This completes the university's response to your information request.

Your right to complain

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your information request or feel that it has not been properly handled you have the right to complain or request a review of our decision by contacting the Assistant Director of Business Assurance (Information Compliance) within 60 days of the date of this letter.

Further information about our internal complaints procedure is available at the link below:

http://www.kcl.ac.uk/college/policyzone/assets/files/governance_and_legal/Freedom_of_Information_Policy_updated_Oct_%202011.pdf

In the event that you are not content with the outcome of your complaint you may apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the internal complaints procedure provided by King's College London.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at the following address:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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Yours sincerely

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