Dear [name]

I am writing to respond to your request [date] April 2016. Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust can confirm that it holds the data that you requested.

Does your dermatology department have nurses trained to draw bloods from outpatients in outpatient clinics?

yes

Does your dermatology department have dermatologists trained to draw bloods from outpatients in outpatient clinics?

yes

Does your dermatology department have access to tubes, syringes/needles in the department to draw bloods from outpatients in outpatient clinics and someone who collects or sends tubes to your bloods lab department etc?

yes

Does your dermatology department draw either whole bloods, serum, plasma or draw only whole bloods but they put on the label that a whole blood-based test or serum-based test or plasma-based test is required to your bloods lab department etc? (by the way there are tubes with clot activator for serum after they are spun. There are tubes with clot inhibitor for plasma after they are spun)

Take whole bloods in dermatology. The research nurses use the centrifuge to spin blood and remove plasma for research only in the labs

Please note that on 1 November 2011 the Oxford Radcliffe Hospitals NHS Trust (ORH) merged with the Nuffield Orthopaedic Hospital NHS Trust (NOC) to form the Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust (OUH). Our response reflects these changes. Therefore, we consider that Oxford University Hospitals Trust has released to you all of the information that it holds in relation to your request.

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Yours sincerely,

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