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25 February 2021

Dear [REDACTED],

**Freedom of Information request: FOI2021/00058**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 14 January, [REDACTED]. We apologise that we have no record of the email of 14 January and therefore there has been a delay in responding to your request.

**Your request:**

*It was announced earlier this week that Kromek Ltd Co Durham UK has recently received 1.25m funding from UKRI for development of an automated detection system for airborne coronavirus.  
I cannot find details of this on your web-based spreadsheet.  
Could you please tell me the date on which the application was granted and when it was awarded.*

**Our response**

I can confirm UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) hold the information relevant to your request.

Under the Innovate UK funding process applicants are notified on a particular date whether their application has been successful or unsuccessful in competition, and applications are not granted nor awarded.

Information about the funding competition, *UKRI Ideas to address COVID-19: Innovate UK Article 25 Aug 2020*, including the competition dates, is publicly available at the following link: <https://apply-for-innovation-funding.service.gov.uk/competition/692/overview#dates>. The notification date for the competition was 21 October 2020.

As this information is in the public domain, we consider that Section 21 - Information already reasonably accessible, of the FOIA would apply and have provided the relevant link above. Section 21 is an absolute exemption which means that there is no requirement to conduct a public interest test.

If you have any queries regarding our response or you are unhappy with the outcome of your request and wish to seek an internal review of the decision, please contact:

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Please quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are still not content with the outcome of the internal review, you may apply to refer the matter to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the review procedure provided by UKRI. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: <http://www.ico.gov.uk/>

If you wish to raise a complaint regarding the service you have received or the conduct of any UKRI staff in relation to your request, please see UKRI's complaints policy: <https://www.ukri.org/about-us/policies-and-standards/complaints-policy/>

Yours sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

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