



5 September 2023

Dear [REDACTED],

Freedom of Information request: FOI2023/00604

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 10 August in which you requested the following:

Your request:

I would be grateful if you could provide project details (funding amounts etc) of the three projects awarded funding in the Devote programme (run by the University of Manchester) which itself is funded by the Innovations Accelerators Programme. The Devote programme went live in April 2023.

Our response:

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

The information you have requested is exempt from disclosure under Section 22(1) of the FOIA as it is intended for future publication. Section 22 is a qualified exemption meaning that it is subject to the public interest test.

UKRI understand that being transparent in regard to funding data is in the public interest. However, the data is scheduled to be published in the next batch of [Innovate UK Transparency data](#)¹, which is updated monthly, as well as on UKRI's [Gateway to Research](#)² in early September 2023. To disrupt this scheduled process, in order to expedite the release of information on one specific programme, would affect the prompt reporting of other projects that are also due to be published.

We have therefore determined that the outcome of this test is that the public interest is insufficient to justify immediate disclosure.

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 within the next 40 working days:

Head of Information Governance

Email: foi@ukri.org

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: www.ico.org.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/>

¹ <https://www.ukri.org/publications/innovate-uk-funded-projects-since-2004/>

² <https://gtr.ukri.org/>

Yours sincerely,



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