UK Research and Innovation

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30 September 2026

Dear [redacted]

**Freedom of Information request: FOI2026/00788**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 29 August in which you requested the following:

**Your request:**

*I am currently applying for a research grant on PCOS/PMOS in the Philippines. While checking the prevalence of PCOS/PMOS in the country, I found that only one study funded by Innovate UK provided an estimate of approximately 4.5 million Filipinas affected by PCOS/PMOS.*

*With this, I am writing to respectfully request detailed information on the number of Filipino women with PCOS/PMOS in the different regions of the Philippines, if such data are available in the project report. Alternatively, I would like to inquire how the estimate of 4.5 million Filipinas with PCOS/PMOS was obtained. The project details are as follows:*

*Hupela-PCOS-Filipina: A feasibility study for a lifestyle programme for women with polycystic ovary syndrome living in the Philippines.*
*Lead Participant: LUDGER LIMITED*
*Funder: Innovate UK*
*Project Reference: 133966*

*I only need data on PCOS prevalence in the Philippines, particularly regional data if available in a word or pdf file. We are not requesting any confidential, patient-identifiable, or personally sensitive information. Any information shared with us will be used solely for proposal development and research planning.*

*If possible, I would also appreciate guidance on whether the project report or related information can be accessed through UKRI, Innovate UK, or another appropriate office.*

**Our response**

I can confirm that UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) does not hold any information within the scope of your request.

You may wish to redirect your query to the participant themselves. I have provided their contact information below.

Contact Us | Ludger Ltd[1]

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**Your rights**

If you have any queries regarding our response please do let us know. If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review, explaining which elements of this decision you disagree with and why. Internal review requests should be submitted within 40 working days of the date of our response and should be addressed to:

Head of Information Governance
Email: foi@ukri.org

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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.

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Yours sincerely,

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[2] https://www.ukri.org/who-we-are/contact-us/make-a-complaint/#skipnav-target