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Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information request (ref: FOI_15-183)

We have now considered your request of 23 September 2015 for information on admissions to the University's A100 MBBS medical course. Thank you for your clarification, received on 25 September, in which you confirmed you were interested in admissions for the academic year 2015/16.

Our response is on page 2 of this letter, together with a copy of your request, and we hope this will meet your requirements. On this occasion it is not possible to provide all the requested information. In line with your rights under section 1(1)(a) of the Act to be informed whether information is held, we confirm that the University does not hold any 'sample profiles' of 'average students' accepted on to the course.

We have however previously published information on the qualifications of all students accepted on to this course. Please see our responses to earlier related Freedom of Information Act requests here: <https://portal.uea.ac.uk/information-services/strategy-planning-and-compliance/regulations-and-policies/information-regulations-and-policies/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log/admissions/a100-med-admissions>

You have the right of appeal against this response. If you wish to appeal, please set out in writing your reasons for appealing and send to the above address. You must appeal within 60 calendar days of the date of this letter. Any appeal received after that date will not be considered nor acknowledged. This policy has been reviewed and approved by the Information Commissioner's Office.

You also have a subsequent right of appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office. Further information is available on their website: https://ico.org.uk/Global/contact_us, or by telephone on 0303 123 1113.

Please quote our reference given at the head of this letter in all correspondence.

Yours sincerely

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Response to Freedom of Information Act 2000 request (FOI_15-183)

Could you please provide us with information on the following questions regarding the admissions to the University of East Anglia/Norwich Medical School?

1. *How many students applied to the A100 Medicine course from Cyprus (in the EU)?*

3.

2. *How many of these Cypriot students reached the interview stage in?*

2.

3. *How many of the those Cypriot students got offers to study medicine at your university?*

1.

4. *What is the list of criteria used to assess the personal statements of candidates for the A100 medicine? Personal statements are not assessed prior to interview. At interview, candidates are asked to discuss experiences they have mentioned in their statement.*

Your statement is correct. Personal statements are not assessed prior to interview, and at interview, candidates are asked to discuss experiences they have mentioned in their statement. More generally, the criteria used when assessing an applicant are described in our response to a previous FOI request:

https://portal.uea.ac.uk/documents/6207125/6884169/FOI_13-138.pdf/

5. *What is a sample profile of an average student accepted to study medicine in the course?*

[Information not held - s.1(1)(a), Freedom of Information Act]

6. *How is the UKCAT score used in the application process?*

See: <https://www.uea.ac.uk/study/admissions-info/a100faq#Q8>