

F-2015-00086- over 40 egg freezing thawed

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Summary of request

The Authority was asked the following questions:

- Which centre is performing the highest number of treatments using a woman's own frozen eggs for women over 40 years of age.
- Which centre has the highest live birth rate with treatment using own frozen eggs.
- Which centre has the highest live birth rate for embryos for those over 40 years of age (excl. when embryos are created and stored before the patient turned 40).
- Which centre has the best live birth rate over 42 years of age (excl. donor eggs).

HFEA response

Please find that information in the document attached. Please note that I have replaced all small numbers with a '<5' figure because there is a significant possibility that this information, when combined with other information to which you may reasonably be expected to have access, could lead to the identification of a person to whom the HFEA owes a duty of confidentiality. To disclose this information in these circumstances may therefore result in a breach of the confidentiality provisions of section 33A of the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 1990 (as amended), and the information is therefore exempt from disclosure under section 44 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The HFEA does not provide rates (live birth or pregnancy rates for example) when the cohort contains fewer than 50 treatment cycles because a rate can give a false impression of the likelihood of success. In these circumstances I have provided the actual numbers of cycles.