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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Acquascience.

Please supply the following information, has your hospital trust have had dealings or contacts with a company call Acquascience who might have been under contact to Leica, for the supply and removal of the following during the past 2 years and the approximate quantities removed."

Supply

Removal and safe disposal

Xylene

IDA / IMS 99%

IDA / IMS 95%

IDA / IMS 70%

Methanol

Neutral Buffered Formalin 10%

Formaldehyde 37% – 40%

Formal Saline 10%

Deionised Water

Formic Acid

Acid Alcohol

Xvlene

IDA / IMS (all %)

Methanol

Tissue Fixative (NBF / FS)

Formic Acid Alcohol Stains Aqueous Stains

Paraffin Wax

Used Histology Pots

Other Plastic Containers

We used Acquascience from March 2013 and our last order was May 2016. We have never used them for supply or disposal of alcohols or solvents just the following:

Formaldehyde 37% – 40% (5L bottles)

Neutral Buffered Formalin 10% (both as 5L bottles and as 60ml pre-filled pots)