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OUR REFERENCE: FOI/RFI-3844/Lubbock

Dear John Lubbock,

Your request received on 27th May 2023 has now been considered.

The response to your request is as follows:

I would like to ask whether your university has ever had any contracts or business relationships with BGI Genomics or its UK subsidiary MGI Tech UK. If there has been any work undertaken by BGI Genomics with your university, please can you provide a list of these contracts with dates from and to, and a short description of what the contract was for. I would like to clarify that I am requesting information on any contracts with BGI Genomics from 1 January 2015 to 1 May 2023. This includes any joint research projects undertaken with the aforementioned companies.

Northumbria University has not had any contracts, business relationships or joint research projects undertaken with BGI Genomics or it's UK subsidiary MGI Tech UK.

If you are unhappy with our response or the way your request has been handled, you have the right to ask for an internal review. To request a review, please contact the Records and Information Manager, in writing at the above address or via email. The review would be undertaken by Jay Wilson, the University's Head of Legal.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Should you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may then appeal to the Information Commissioner at www.ico.org.uk

Yours sincerely

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