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To whom it may concern

23 June 2023

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Your request to access information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for access to information held by the University of Warwick.

We have considered your request under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Your request


You have requested access to the following information:

I am conducting a survey of UK higher educational institutions to find out which have had business dealings with the Chinese genomic sequencing company BGI Genomics.

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.

Our response

The University can confirm that it does not have any records of any research funding or collaborations with BGI Genomics or MGI Tech UK, nor any procurement related contracts for the period specified.



Next steps

For further information on how to interpret our response, including important information on how we present statistics, please see [our methodology](#) available on our websiteⁱ.

We are not able to warrant that any information provided is correct. Any information provided may be subject to intellectual property rights.

If you are dissatisfied with the University's response to your request, you may request an internal review of the response **within 40 working days** by contacting us using the contact details in the footer of this letter.

If you remain dissatisfied with the University's response to your request, you have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner's Office (**the ICO**). The ICO's contact details are as follows –

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Phone: 0303 123 1113
Fax: 01625 524510

www.ico.gov.uk

We hope that this information is helpful, and please do not hesitate to contact us if we can be of further assistance.

Yours faithfully

Legal and Compliance Services

ⁱ <https://warwick.ac.uk/services/legalandcomplianceservices/freedomofinformation/methodology/>