

**F-2014-00221 - The highest number of babies born to one biological father through IVF and DI**

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**Summary of request**

The Authority was asked for information regarding the most number of babies born to one biological father as a result of both IVF and DI treatments.

**HFEA response**

The Authority cannot release the requested information because to do so could lead to the identification of a person or persons to whom the HFEA owes a duty of confidentiality. Where there is a reasonable risk that the information disclosed, whilst not identifying in itself, could lead to the deductive information of persons or individuals, to disclose this information may therefore result in a breach of the confidentiality provisions of Section 33A of the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 1990 (as amended). Section 33A of the HFE Act prohibits disclosure of identifying information contained on the HFEA's register. This information is therefore exempt from the general entitlement to disclosure provided by Section 1 of the FOIA under Section 44 of that Act."