

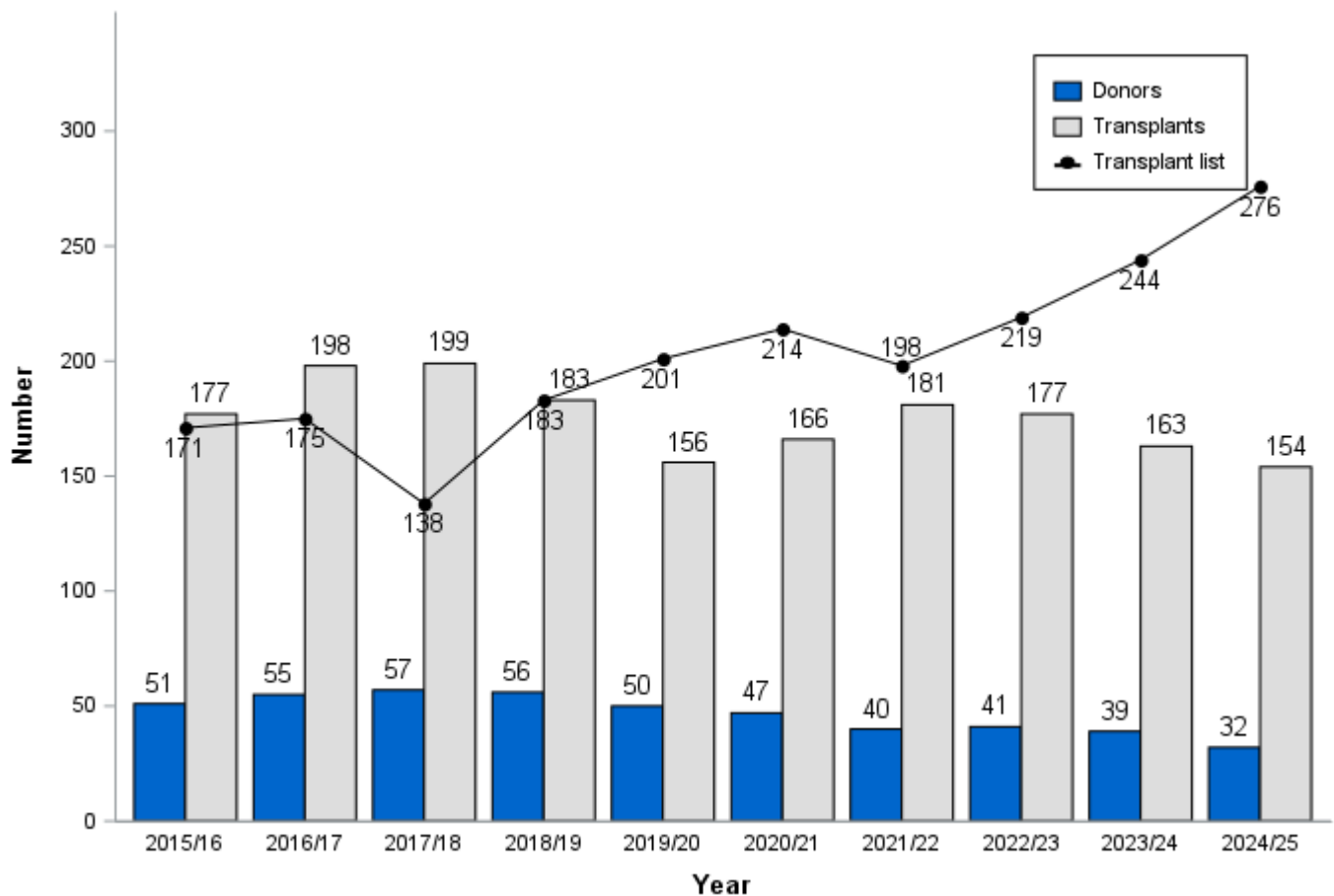
Paediatric and Neonatal Deceased Donation Data and Meeting Booklet

November 2025



Trends in paediatric organ donation and transplantation

Deceased paediatric donors (<18 years), transplants and active transplant list in the UK, 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2025

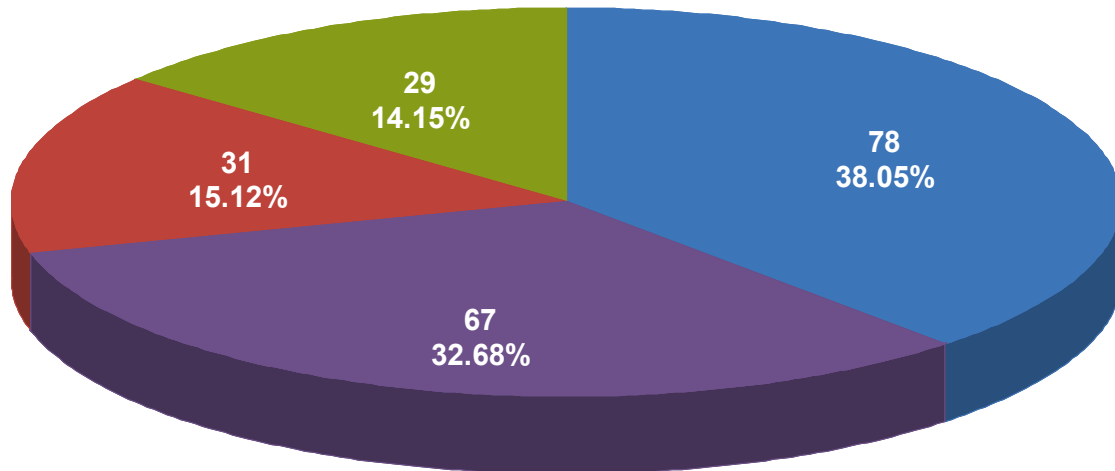


Data obtained from UK Transplant Registry. Remainder of report includes data on all potential, eligible and actual donors in paediatric intensive care units and paediatric cardiothoracic intensive care units in the UK, unless stated otherwise.

UK PICU donation by age group



Potential DBD/Eligible DCD donors

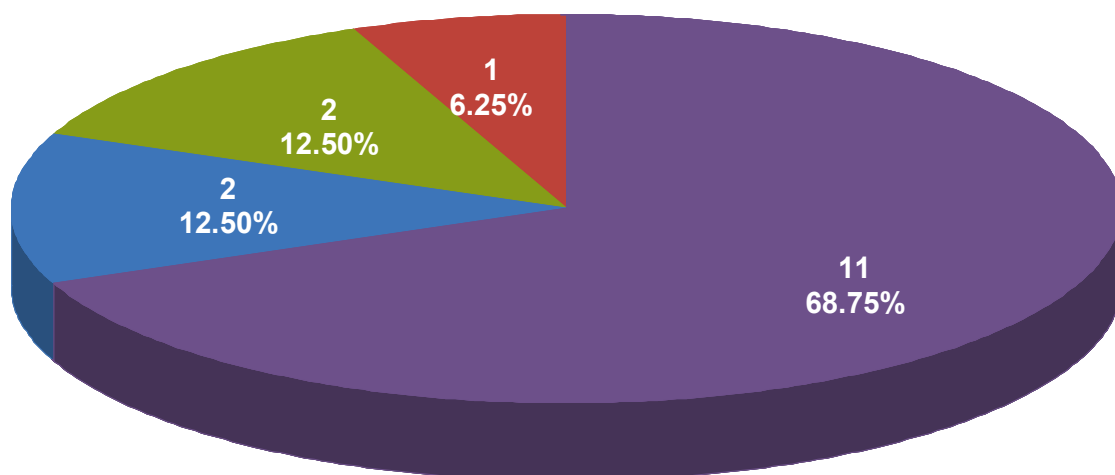


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Potential donors after brainstem death (DBD) are defined as patients who have neurological death suspected by meeting all of the following criteria: apnoea, coma from known aetiology and unresponsive, ventilated, fixed pupils, no cough or gag reflex. Excluding those for whom cardiac arrest occurred despite resuscitation, brain stem reflexes returned.

Eligible donors after circulatory death (DCD) are defined as patients who had treatment withdrawn and death was anticipated within four hours, with no absolute medical contraindications to solid organ donation.

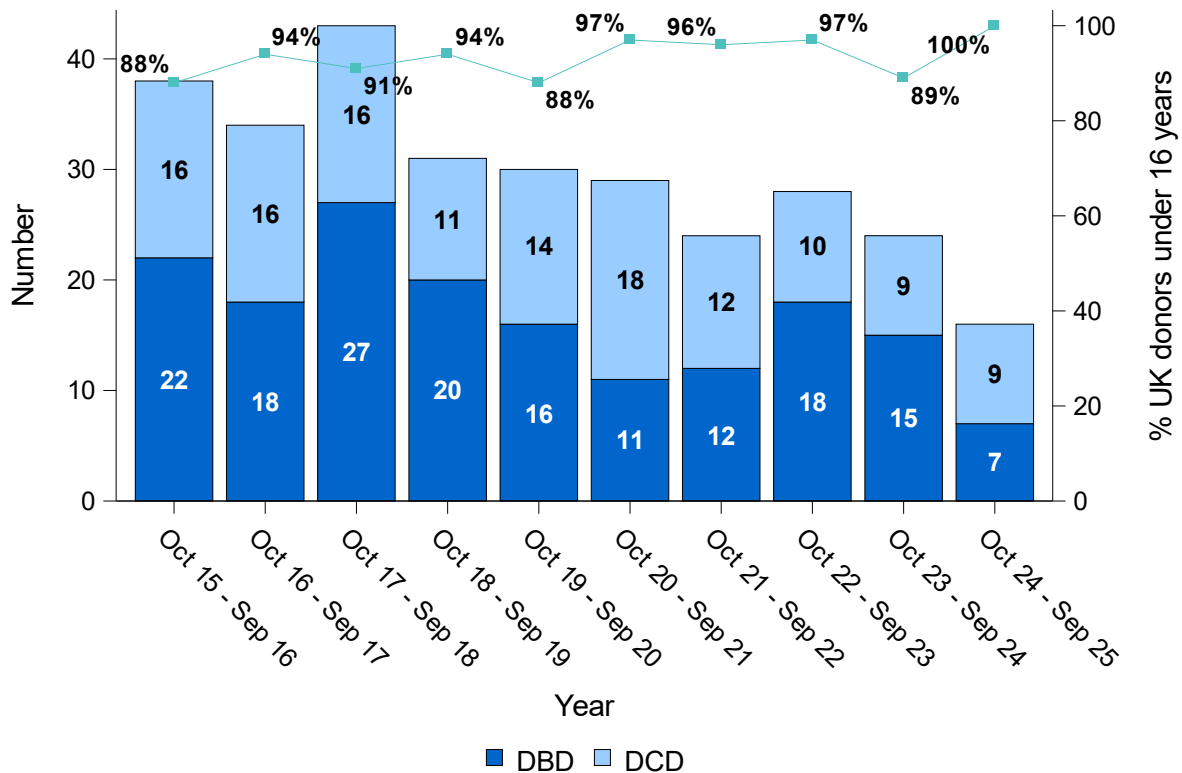
Actual donors



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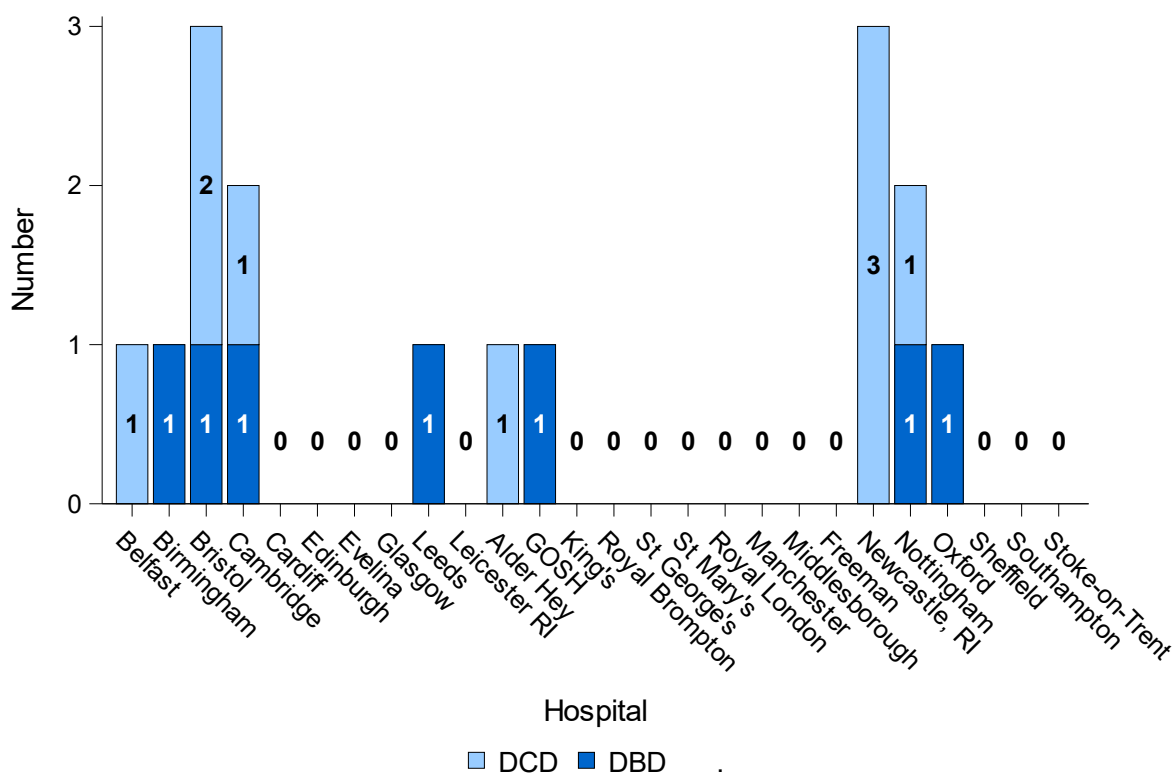
PICU actual deceased donors

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PICU actual deceased donors by hospital

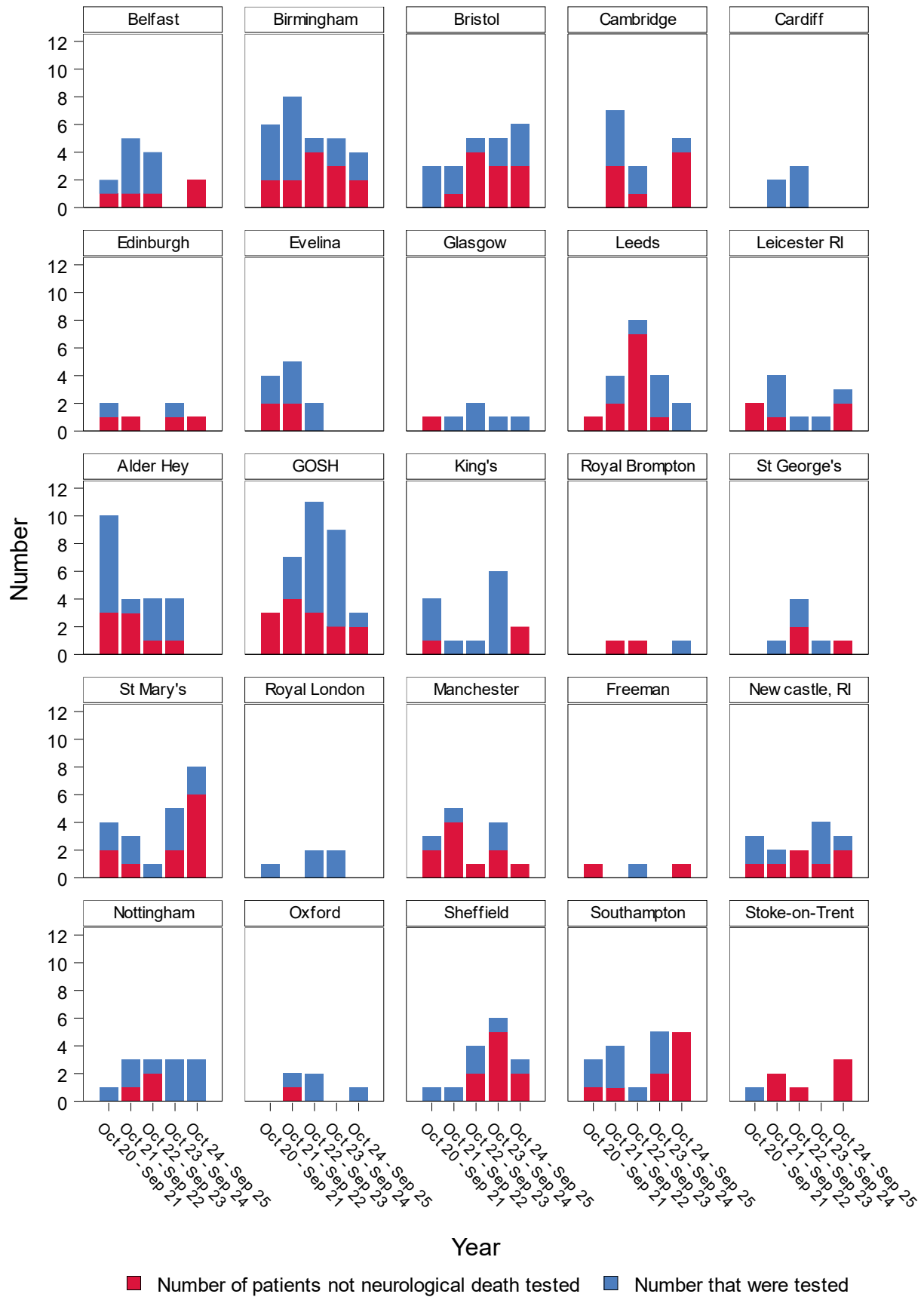
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Between 1 October 2024 and 30 September 2025 there was 0 donors under the age of 16 who donated outside a PICU.

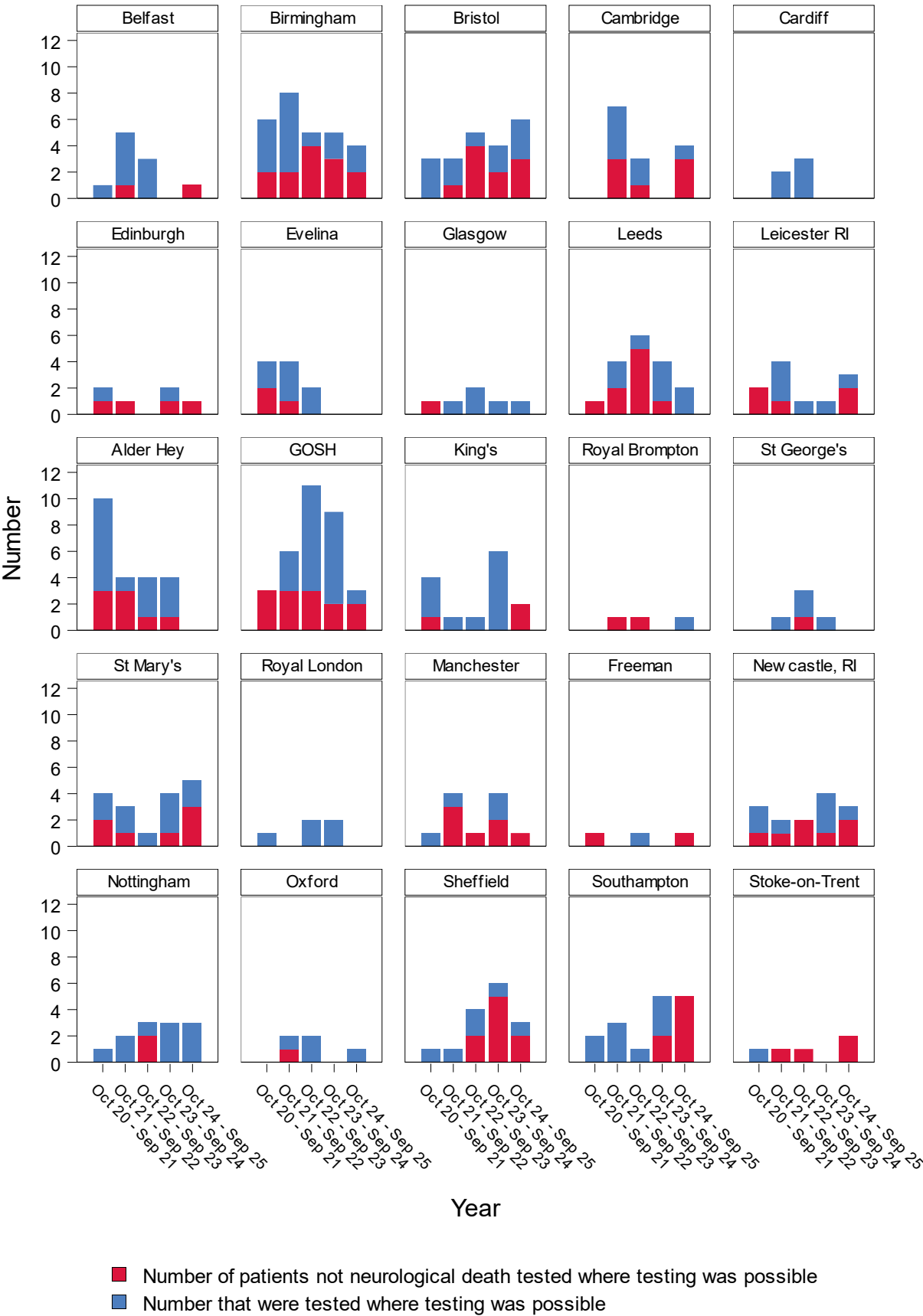
PICUs neurological death testing

1 October 2020 - 30 September 2025



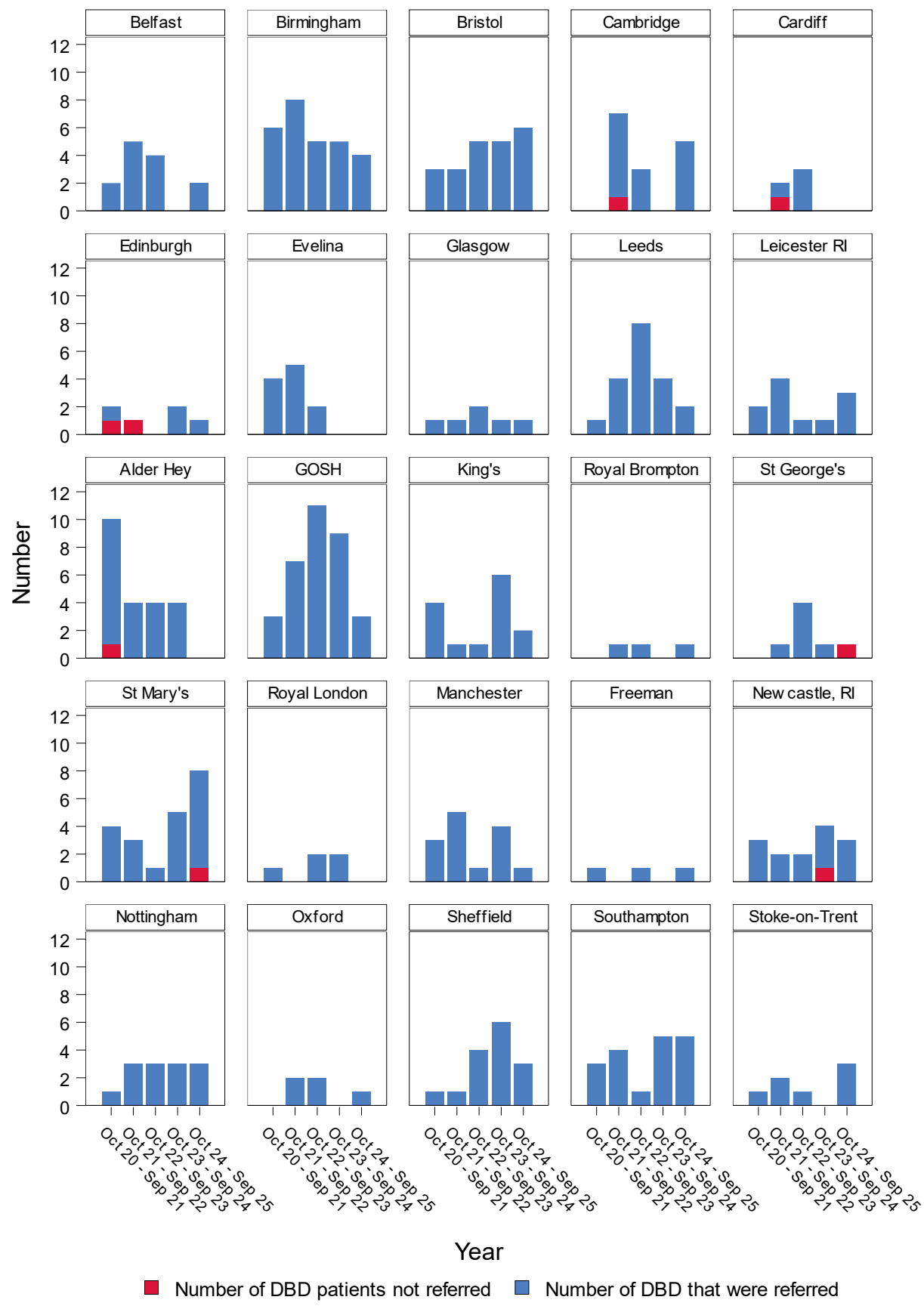
PICUs modified neurological death testing

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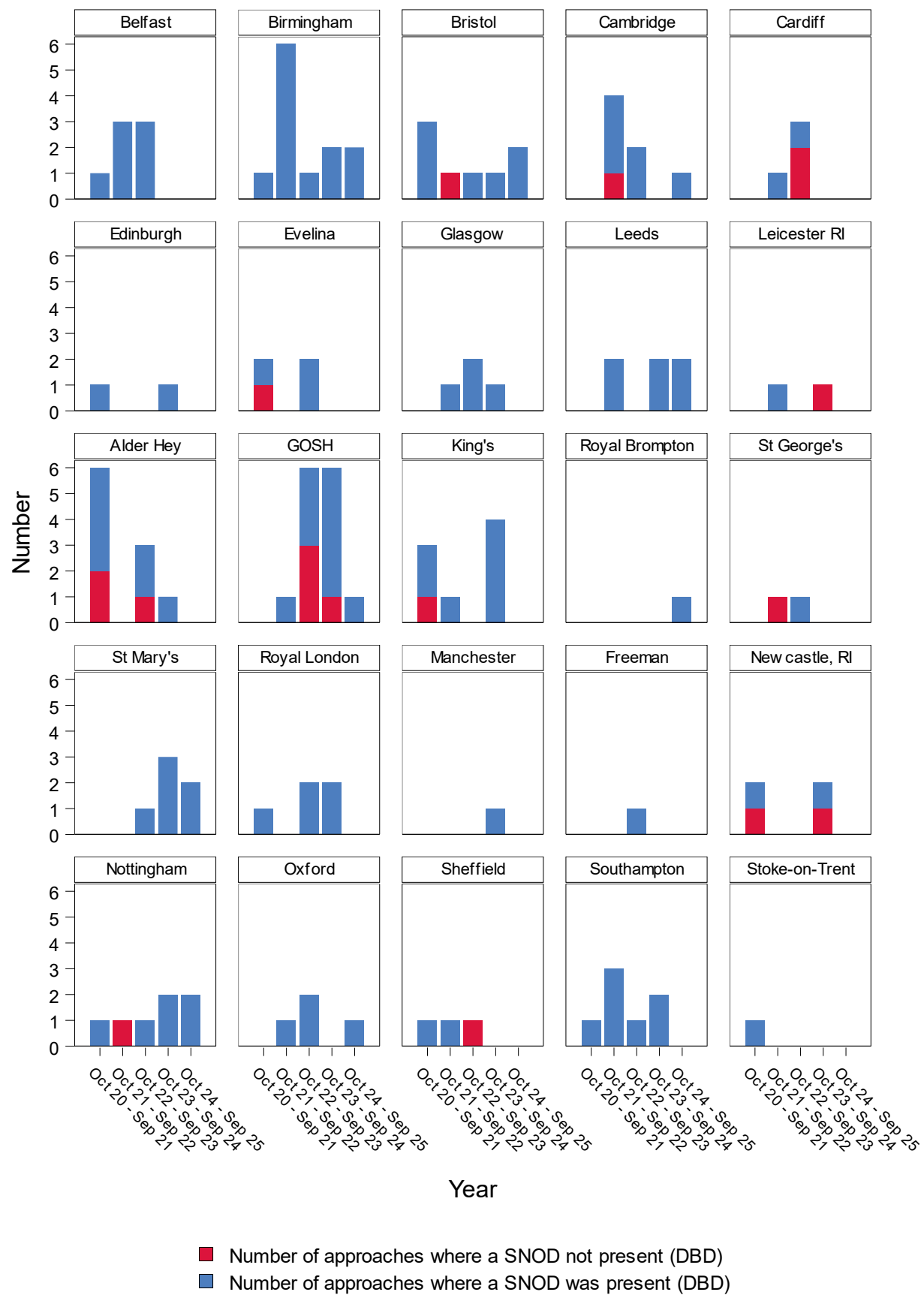
PICUs DBD referral

1 October 2020 - 30 September 2025



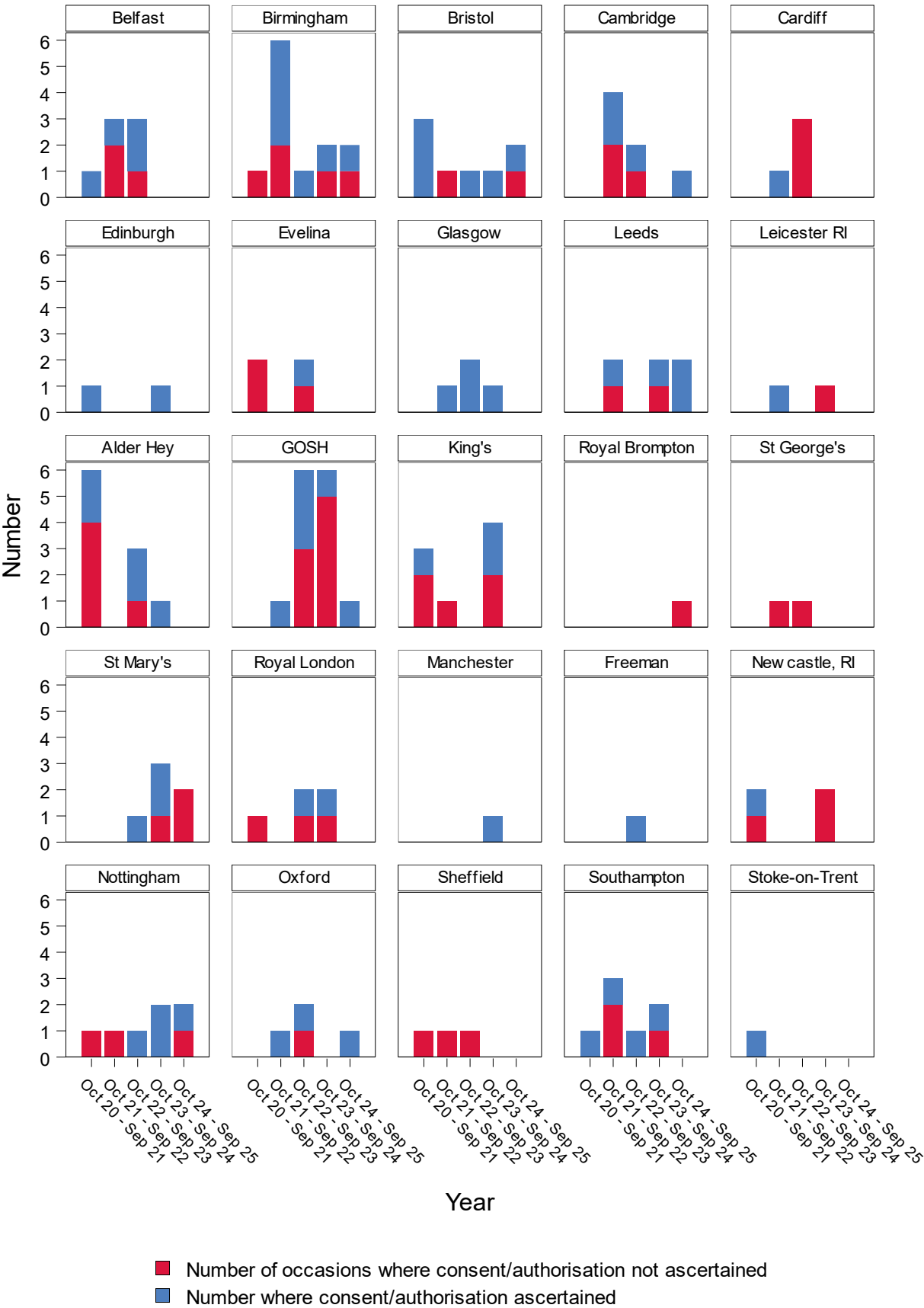
PICUs DBD SNOD presence

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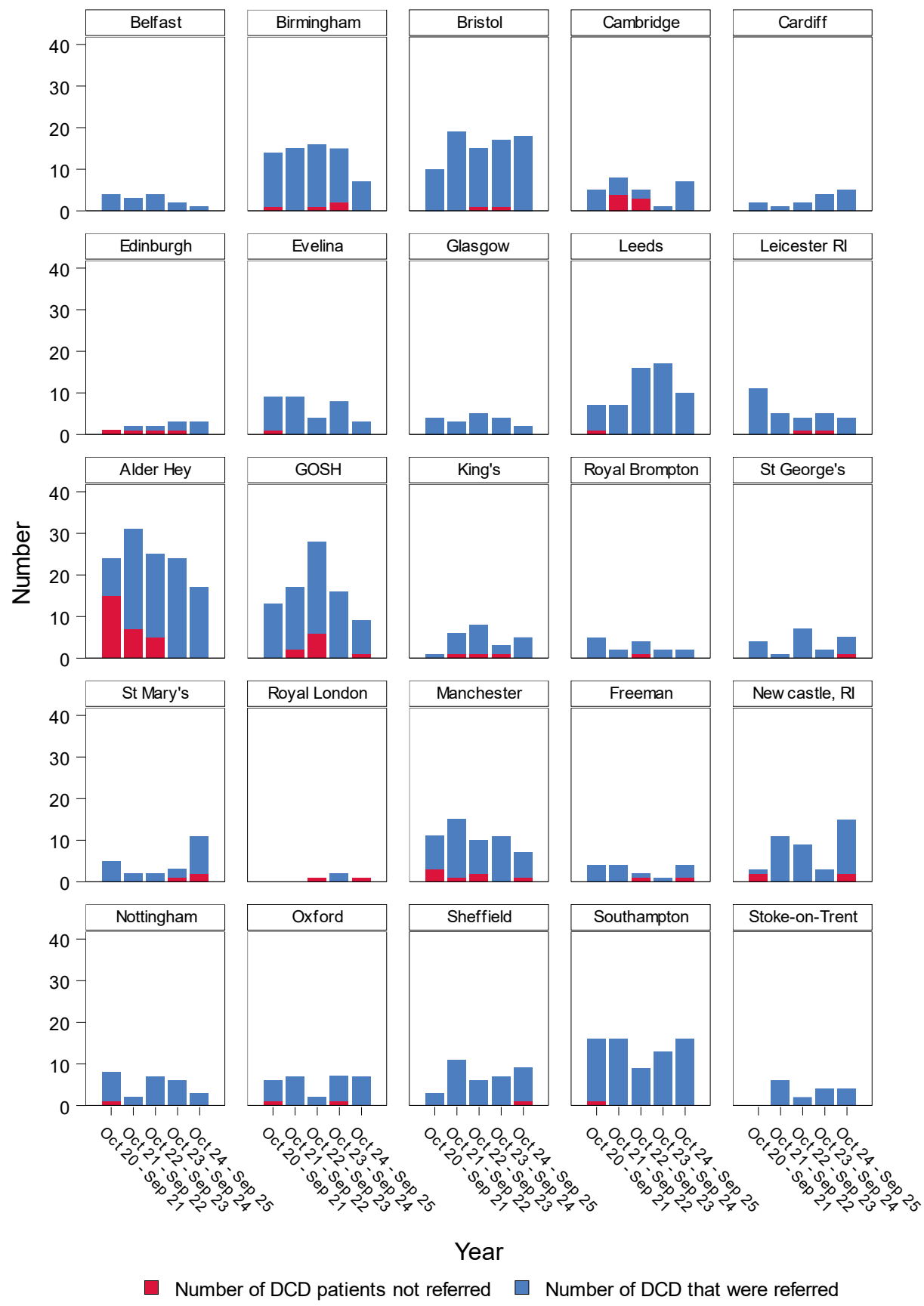
PICUs DBD consent/authorisation

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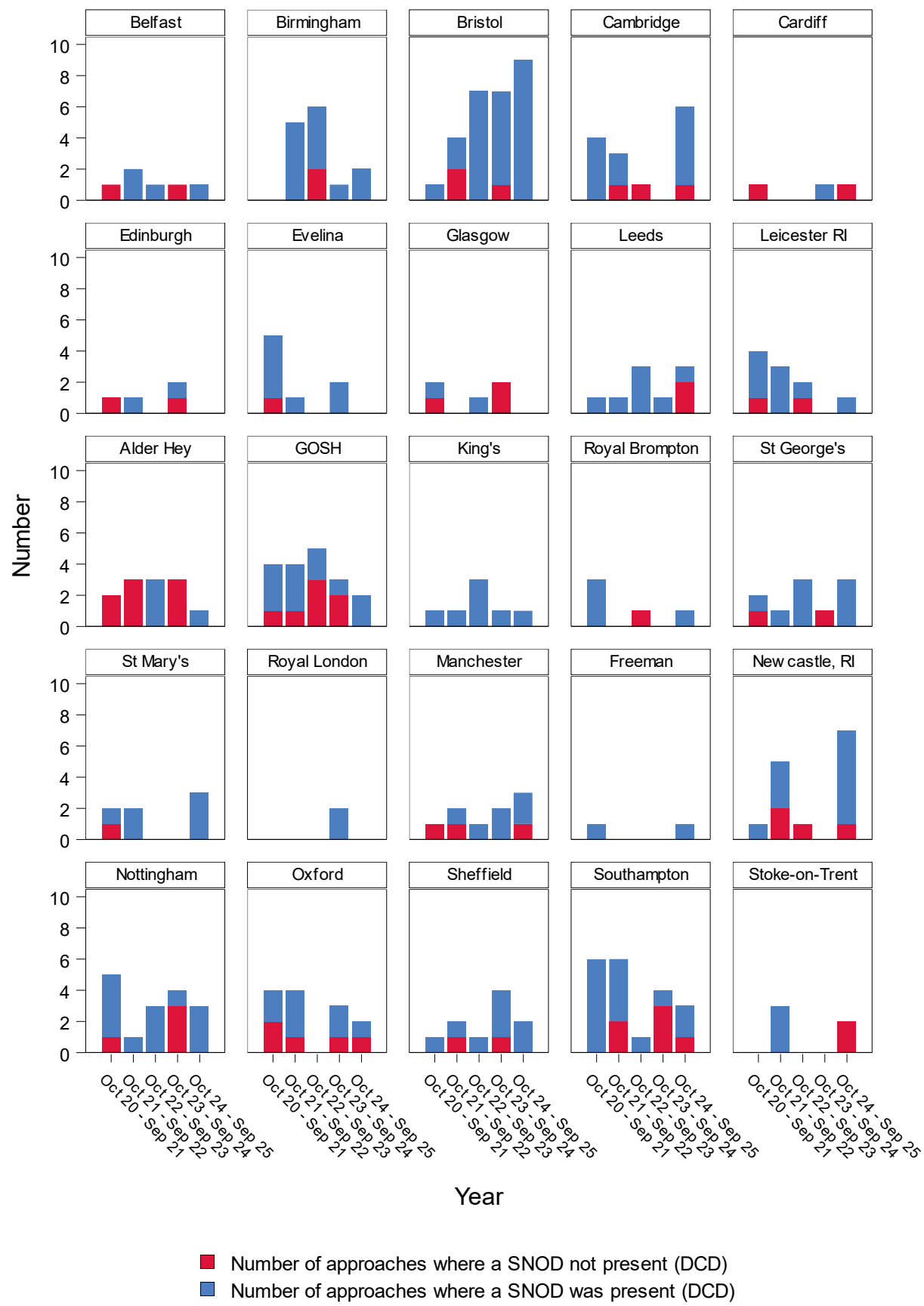
PICUs DCD referral

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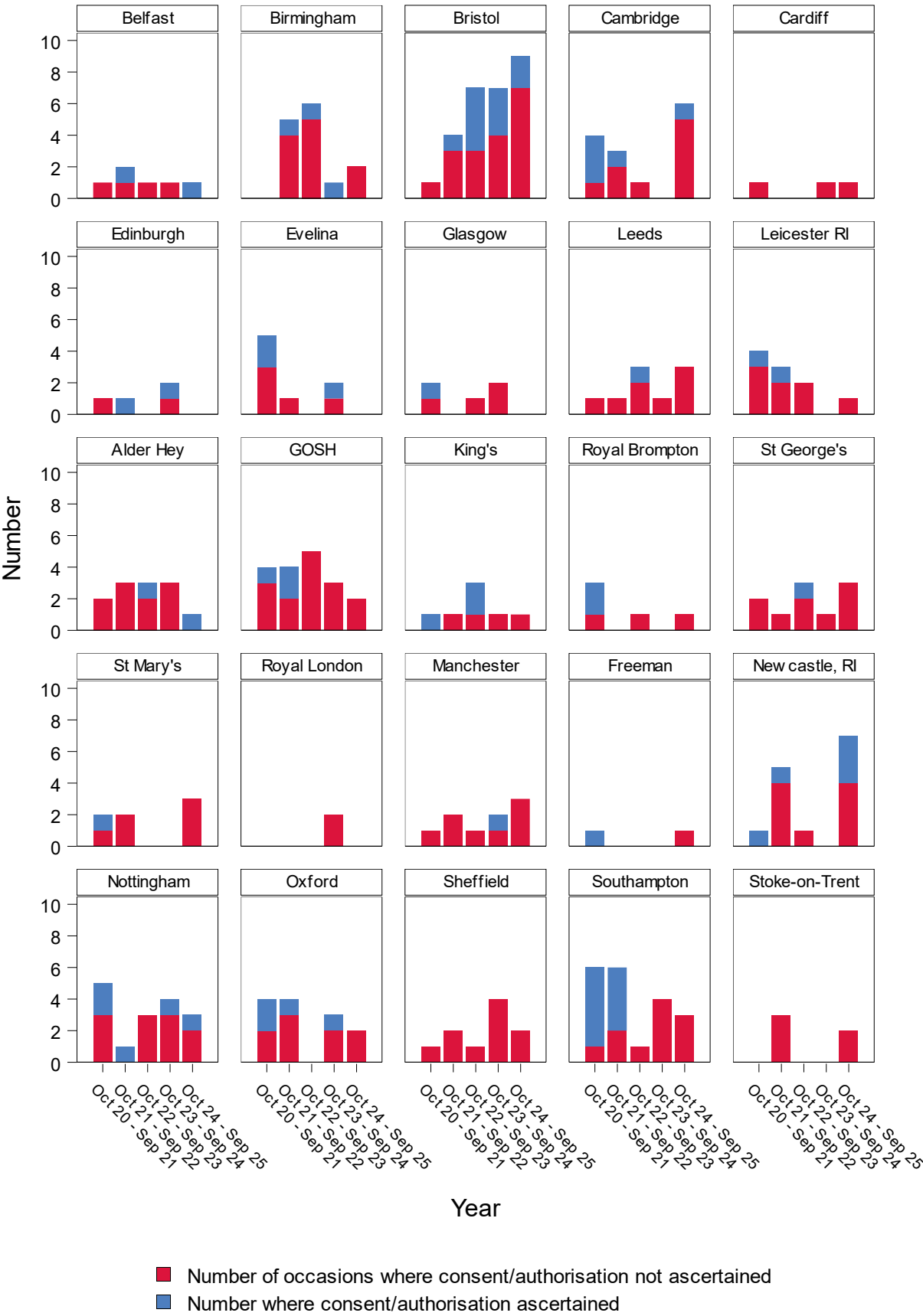
PICUs DCD SNOD presence

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PICUs DCD consent/authorisation rate

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PICU: Key numbers

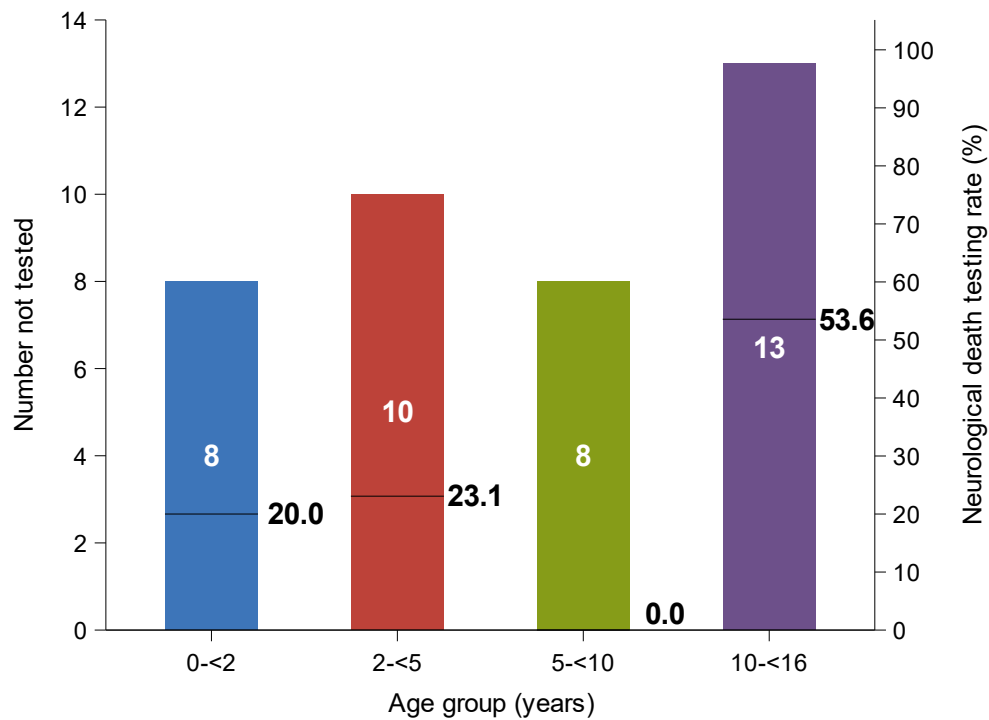
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Hospital	Number not neurological death tested (Total suspected neurological death)	Number not neurological death tested where testing was possible (Total neurological death test possible)	Number not referred (Total meeting referral criteria)		Number of donation decision conversations without SNOD present (Total donation decision conversations)		Number where consent/authorisation not ascertained (Total donation decision conversations)	
	DBD	DBD	DBD	DCD	DBD	DCD	DBD	DCD
BELFAST, ROYAL BELFAST HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN	2 (2)	1 (1)	0 (2)	0 (1)	0 (0)	0 (1)	0 (0)	0 (1)
BIRMINGHAM, BIRMINGHAM CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL	2 (4)	2 (4)	0 (4)	0 (7)	0 (2)	0 (2)	1 (2)	2 (2)
BRISTOL, BRISTOL ROYAL HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN	3 (6)	3 (6)	0 (6)	0 (18)	0 (2)	0 (9)	1 (2)	7 (9)
CAMBRIDGE, ADDENBROOKE'S HOSPITAL	4 (5)	3 (4)	0 (5)	0 (7)	0 (1)	1 (6)	0 (1)	5 (6)
CARDIFF, UNIVERSITY OF WALES HOSPITAL	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (5)	0 (0)	1 (1)	0 (0)	1 (1)
EDINBURGH, ROYAL HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE	1 (1)	1 (1)	0 (1)	0 (3)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
EVELINA CHILDRENS HOSPITAL	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (3)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
GLASGOW, THE ROYAL HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN	0 (1)	0 (1)	0 (1)	0 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
LEEDS, LEEDS GENERAL INFIRMARY	0 (2)	0 (2)	0 (2)	0 (10)	0 (2)	2 (3)	0 (2)	3 (3)
LEICESTER, LEICESTER ROYAL INFIRMARY	2 (3)	2 (3)	0 (3)	0 (4)	0 (0)	0 (1)	0 (0)	1 (1)
LIVERPOOL, ALDER HEY CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (17)	0 (0)	0 (1)	0 (0)	0 (1)
LONDON, GREAT ORMOND STREET HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN	2 (3)	2 (3)	0 (3)	1 (9)	0 (1)	0 (2)	0 (1)	2 (2)
LONDON, KING'S COLLEGE HOSPITAL	2 (2)	2 (2)	0 (2)	0 (5)	0 (0)	0 (1)	0 (0)	1 (1)
LONDON, ROYAL BROMPTON HOSPITAL	0 (1)	0 (1)	0 (1)	0 (2)	0 (1)	0 (1)	1 (1)	1 (1)
LONDON, ST GEORGE'S HOSPITAL	1 (1)	0 (0)	1 (1)	1 (5)	0 (0)	0 (3)	0 (0)	3 (3)
LONDON, ST MARY'S HOSPITAL	6 (8)	3 (5)	1 (8)	2 (11)	0 (2)	0 (3)	2 (2)	3 (3)
LONDON, THE ROYAL LONDON HOSPITAL (WHITECHAPEL)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
MANCHESTER, ROYAL MANCHESTER CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL	1 (1)	1 (1)	0 (1)	1 (7)	0 (0)	1 (3)	0 (0)	3 (3)
NEWCASTLE, FREEMAN HOSPITAL	1 (1)	1 (1)	0 (1)	1 (4)	0 (0)	0 (1)	0 (0)	1 (1)
NEWCASTLE, ROYAL VICTORIA INFIRMARY	2 (3)	2 (3)	0 (3)	3 (16)	0 (0)	1 (7)	0 (0)	4 (7)
NOTTINGHAM, NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS QMC CAMPUS	0 (3)	0 (3)	0 (3)	0 (3)	0 (2)	0 (3)	1 (2)	2 (3)
OXFORD, JOHN RADCLIFFE HOSPITAL	0 (1)	0 (1)	0 (1)	0 (7)	0 (1)	1 (2)	0 (1)	2 (2)
SHEFFIELD, SHEFFIELD CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL	2 (3)	2 (3)	0 (3)	1 (9)	0 (0)	0 (2)	0 (0)	2 (2)
SOUTHAMPTON, SOUTHAMPTON UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS	5 (5)	5 (5)	0 (5)	0 (16)	0 (0)	1 (3)	0 (0)	3 (3)
STOKE-ON-TRENT, ROYAL STOKE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL	3 (3)	2 (2)	0 (3)	0 (4)	0 (0)	2 (2)	0 (0)	2 (2)

Note that patients may appear in more than one group

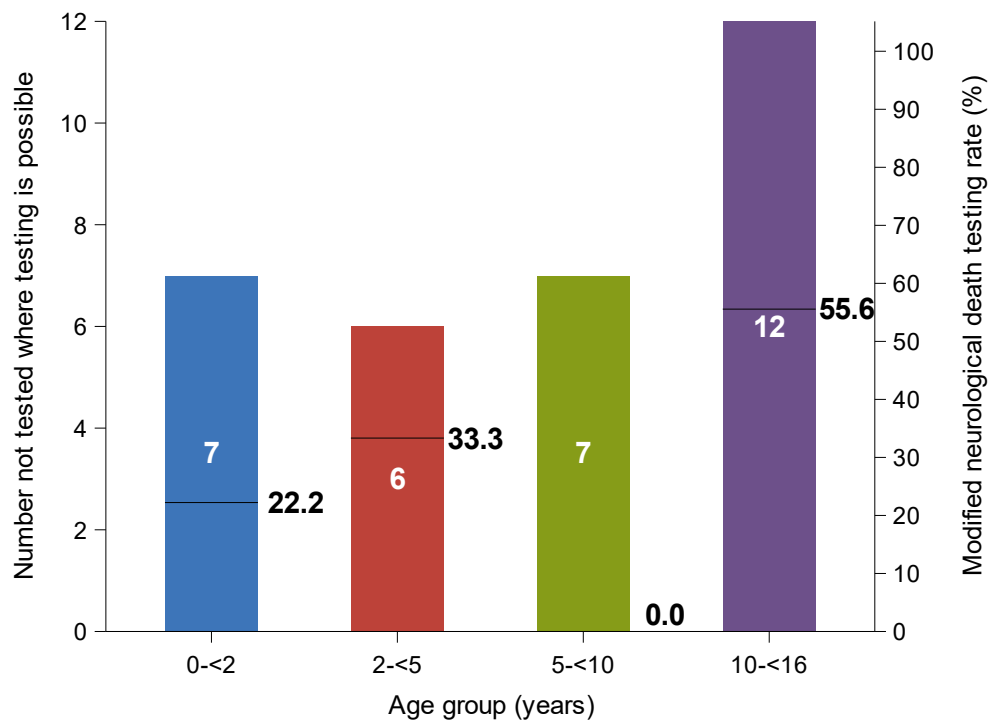
Comparison of neurological death testing in PICUs by age group

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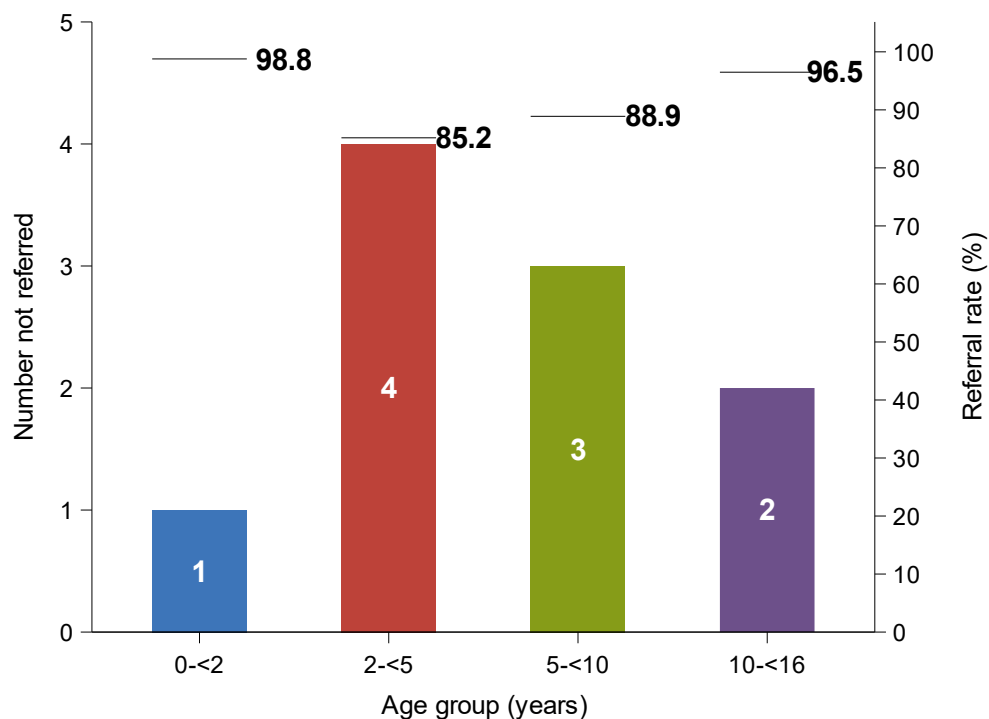
Comparison of modified neurological death testing in PICUs by age group

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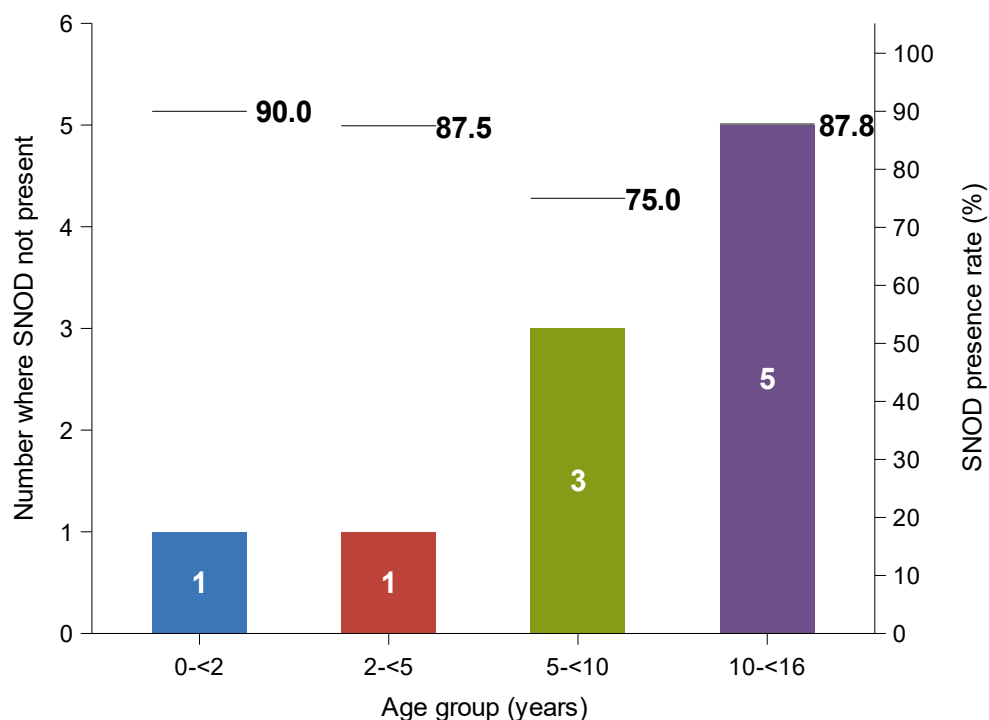
Comparison of combined DBD and DCD referral in PICUs by age group

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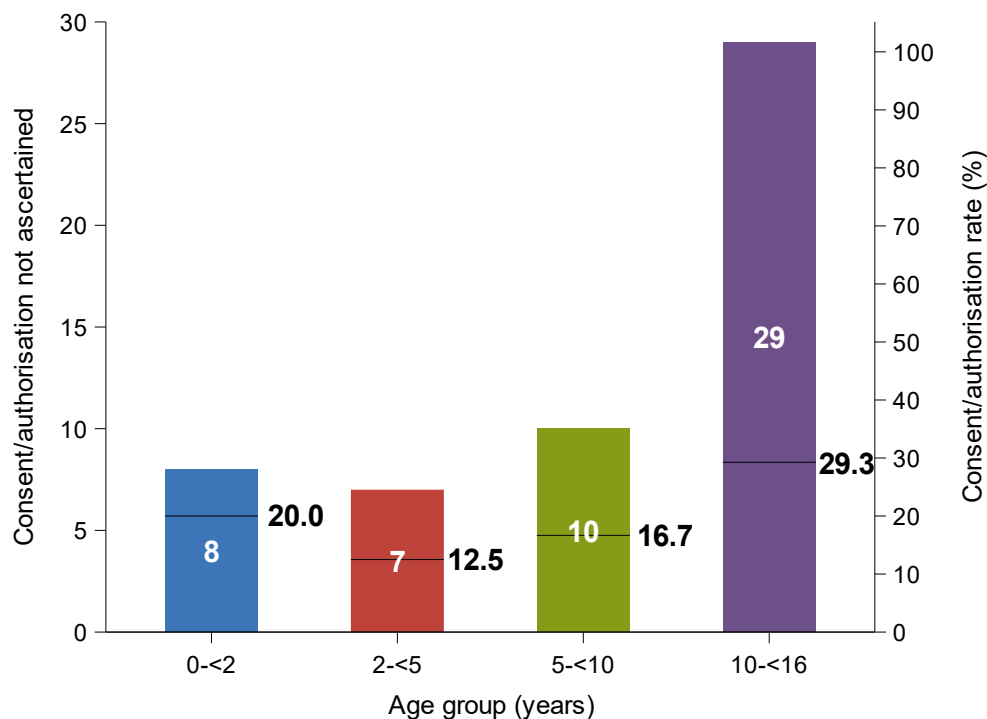
Comparison of combined DBD and DCD SNOD presence in PICUs by age group

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Comparison of combined DBD and DCD consent/authorisation in PICUs by age group

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Neonatal data - all neonatal patients included in the Potential Donor Audit

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Age in months	Audited patient deaths	Patients meeting DBD or DCD referral criteria	Patients referred	Eligible DBD or DCD donors	Consent\ Authorisation given by family	Actual donors
0	216	43	35	32	0	0
1	94	20	16	17	1	1

Note that not all neonatal intensive care units are included in the UK Potential Donor Audit, therefore the data presented do not capture the whole national neonatal donor potential.

Additional resources

ODR registrations and organ donation statistics by nation

- County level breakdown for England available

<https://www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/how-you-can-help/get-involved/share-statistics/organ-donation-by-county/>



Paediatric annual reports

<https://www.odt.nhs.uk/deceased-donation/best-practice-guidance/paediatric-care/>



PDA annual reports

<https://www.odt.nhs.uk/statistics-and-reports/potential-donor-audit-report/>



Power BI PDA key metrics report

<https://app.powerbi.com/view?r=eyJrIjoiazDY0YmJhZjctM2YxZC00NTkLTk4NDYtNDc0NDNkN2UzYzRkliwidCI6ImUxMWExYjhmLTNmNTItNDYwOC04Zjc2LTQ2N2ZmMWQzNGM5NiIsImMiOiJh9>



Organ donation marketing resources

<https://www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/how-you-can-help/get-involved/>

