

## Re: Your request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am trying to understand the level of clinical trials activity that is taking place in the UK. Specifically can you tell me how many commercial clinical trials have been taking place in this hospital trust during 2021?

This could be completed trials, or trials that are ongoing. When I say “commercial trials”, I mean trials that are funded or sponsored by a commercial company such as a pharmaceutical company.

### Response

During 2021, we had 10 commercial clinical trials that were classed as open. These fall into two categories: ‘*open to recruitment*’ (new participants could join the study); or ‘*closed but in follow-up*’ (no new recruitment, but patients already on the study would still attend visits).

During 2021 we had three studies that were ‘*open to recruitment*’ for at least a period of time during the year, with the remaining seven classed as ‘*closed in follow-up*’ on 01 January 2021.