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## REQUEST

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 health board during the calendar year of 2023?

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

St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust and Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust became a single legal entity known as Mersey and West Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023, as such parts of the response may be provided in two sections relating to the hospital sites of each of the legacy organisations.

### St Helens and Knowsley:

18 commercial studies.

### Southport & Ormskirk:

1 commercial study.