
Taking part in research

CUH has a proud history of medical research, and has long been at the forefront of delivering pioneering treatments from the first successful liver transplant in Europe to the development of an artificial pancreas.

In 2017/2018 there were nearly 400 clinical trials taking place at CUH, with over 8,500 participants across a range of medical specialties. If you are interested in taking part in a research study in Cambridge, please have a look at the information below to find a study that is right for you.

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If you would like to take part in a research study about a particular illness or health condition, you should first ask your doctor or GP who can discuss current research studies or refer you to appropriate trials.

Similarly, the Cambridge Cancer Trials Centre has trials running for many different kinds of cancer, alongside important information about how clinical trials work and why they are important.

You don't need to have a health condition to take part in clinical trials; some trials need healthy volunteers as well. The NIHR Cambridge Clinical Research Facility (CRF) has studies open for healthy volunteers or you can join the NIHR BioResource.

The UK Clinical Trials Gateway provides easy to understand information about clinical research trials running in the UK. You can research for trials taking place in your area or for your condition and also find more information about clinical trials in general.

If there are no trials currently suitable for you to take part in, you can help us by getting involved. We need patients, carers and interested members of the public to get involved in research projects by sharing your thoughts and experiences with us so that we can make research even better. Find out more on our public involvement page.