

## Specialty Certificate Examination (SCE) in Rheumatology 2023 Selected Examination Metrics

The 2023 SCE in Rheumatology was sat in June 2023 by 195 candidates of whom 77 were self-declared UK trainees. From 2022 'OTH' self-declared UK trainees are excluded from UK trainees' cohort. Candidates who did not declare their training details and OTH group are reported as 'Other' (118).

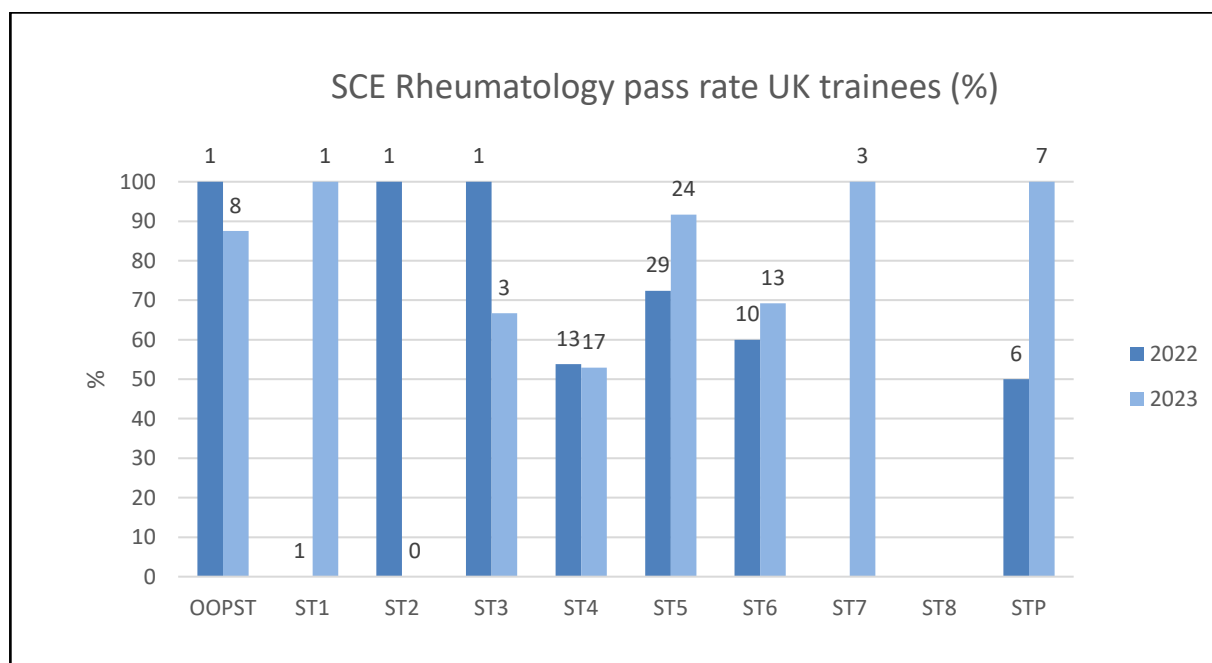
### Pass Mark

The pass mark for this examination was established by equating based on 2019 UK trainees' performance. The standards of the examination were reviewed in September 2022 and the pass score of 422 is maintained until the standards are reviewed by the SCE Rheumatology Examination Board.

For the 2023 SCE Rheumatology examination the pass mark was set at **422 (65.2% or 129/198)**. One question was pulled due to poor performance.

### UK trainees' performance

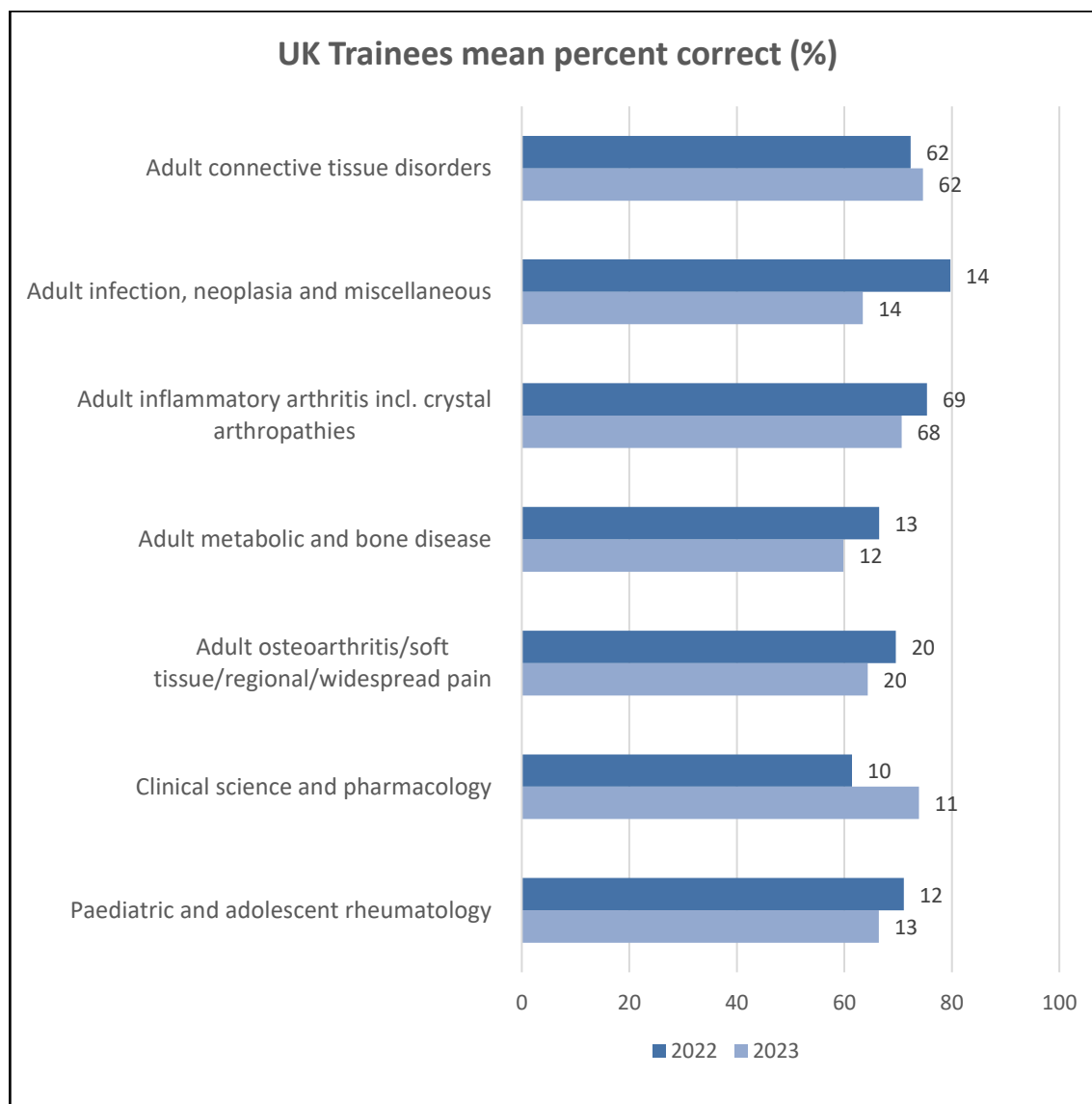
In 2023 the highest number of sitting trainees is in ST5 (24) and their pass rate is 91.7%. Overall, UK trainees pass rate is 77.9% and for all candidates 60.5%.



Note: The numbers at the top of the bars are the number of sitting trainees

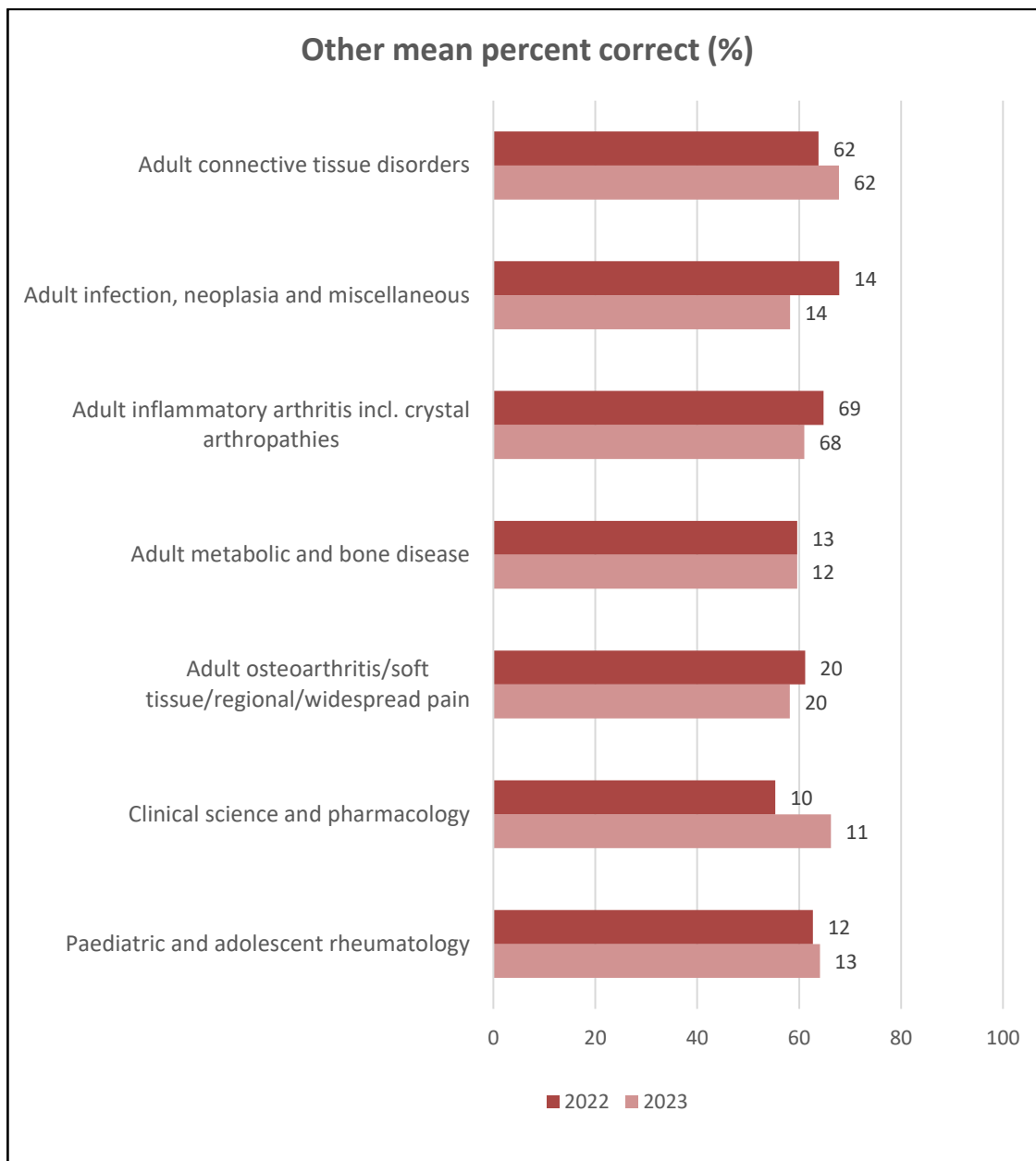
## Topic performance

In 2023 UK trainees have the highest percent correct in Adult connective tissue disorders (74.7%) and the lowest in Adult metabolic and bone disease (60%).



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In 2023 Other candidates have the highest percent correct also in Adult connective tissue disorders (67.8%) and the lowest in Adult osteoarthritis/soft tissue/regional/widespread pain (58.2%).



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