

SAUDI BOARD RESIDENCY TRAINING PROGRAM

DERMATOLOGY

Part One Examination

Examination Format:

1. Part I Examination of Saudi board certificate shall consist of one paper with 150 multiple-choice questions (single best answer out of four options). Up to 10% unscored items can be added for pretesting purposes.
2. If any other assessment format is used, the Central Assessment Committee must agree to its implementation.

Passing Score:

1. The passing score is 65%.
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Suggested References:

- 1- Rook's textbook of dermatology, ninth edition
- 2- Dermatology by Jean L. Bolognia, third edition
- 3- Fitzpatrick's Dermatology in General Medicine, Eighth Edition
- 4- Lever's Histopathology of the skin, tenth edition
- 5- Comprehensive Dermatologic Drug Therapy by Stephen E Wolverton, third edition
- 6- Breakthrough research in basic science over the last 3 years

- 7- Professionalism and Ethics, Handbook for Residents, Practical guide, Prof. James Ware, Dr. Abdulaziz Fahad Alkaabba, Dr. Ghaiath MA Hussein, Prof. Omar Hasan Kasule, SCFHS, Latest Edition
- 8- Essentials of Patient Safety, SCHS, Latest Edition

Note:

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Blueprint Outlines:

No.	Sections	Percentage (%)
1	Anatomy, structure and development of skin	5-10
2	Innate immune system related to dermatology	5-10
3	Adaptive immune system related to dermatology	5-10
4	Keratinocytes, epidermal and dermal –epidermal cohesion	5-10
5	Dermal connective tissue and subcutaneous tissue	5-10
6	Pigmentation	5-10
7	Skin appendages	5-10
8	Hair, nail and mucosa	5-10
9	Neoplasms	5-10
10	Genodermatosis	5-10
11	Infectious and environmental	5-10
12	Therapeutics	5-10
Research, Ethics and Professionalism and Patient Safety		10
Total		100%

Note:

- Blueprint distributions of the examination may differ up to +/-3% in each category.
- Percentages and content are subject to change at any time. See the SCFHS website for the most up-to-date information.

Example Questions

EXAMPLE OF K2 QUESTIONS

Question 1

A 24-year-old obese man presents with a brown, slightly scaling, macular eruption of the axillae, which was positive under Wood's light.

Which of the following is the most likely diagnosis?

- A. Candidiasis
- B. Erythrasma
- C. Inverse psoriasis
- D. Seborrheic dermatitis

EXAMPLE OF K1

Question 2

Which of the following types of laser's emission is characterised by absorption by water?

- A. Ruby
- B. Alexandrite
- C. Pulsed dye
- D. Erbium YAG