SAUDI BOARD RESIDENCY TRAINING PROGRAM

MEDICAL MICROBIOLOGY

Part One Examination

Examination Format:

Part I Examination of Saudi board certificate shall consist of one paper with 150 Single Best Answer MCQs. Up to 10% unscored items can be added for pretesting purposes.

Passing Score:

1. The passing score is 65%.
2. If the percentage of candidates passing the exam before final approval is less than 70%, the passing score can be lowered by one mark at a time aiming at achieving 70% passing rate or a score of 60% whichever comes first. Under no circumstances, may the score can be reduced below 60%.

Blueprint Outlines:

No.	Sections	Percentage
1	Lab Safety and Quality Control	8%
2	Sterilization and Disinfection	7%
3	Handling of Specimens and Microscopy	10%
4	Culture Methods and Further Processing	10%
5	Antimicrobial Investigations and Lab Ethics	10%
6	Clinical Bacteriology and Systematic Bacteriology- part-1	11%
7	Clinical Bacteriology and Systematic Bacteriology- part-2	11%
8	Clinical Bacteriology and Systematic Bacteriology- part-3	11%
9	Clinical Bacteriology and Systematic Bacteriology- part-4	11%
10	Clinical Bacteriology and Systematic Bacteriology- part-5	11%
Total		**100%**

Note:

- Blueprint distributions of the examination may differ up to +/-5% in each category.

- Percentages and content are subject to change at any time. See the SCFHS website for the most up-to-date information.

- Research, Ethics, Professionalism, and Patient Safety are incorporated within various domains.

Suggested References:

1. Manual of Clinical Microbiology, 10th Edition. James Versalovic.
2. Medical Microbiology, 8th Edition. Patrick Murray.
3. Bailey & Scott's Diagnostic Microbiology, 15th Edition. Betty Forbes.
4. Microbiology with Diseases by Body System, 4th Edition. Robert Bauman.

Note:

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