

MRCP(UK) Part 2 written examination March 2021

Performance report

Exam statistics

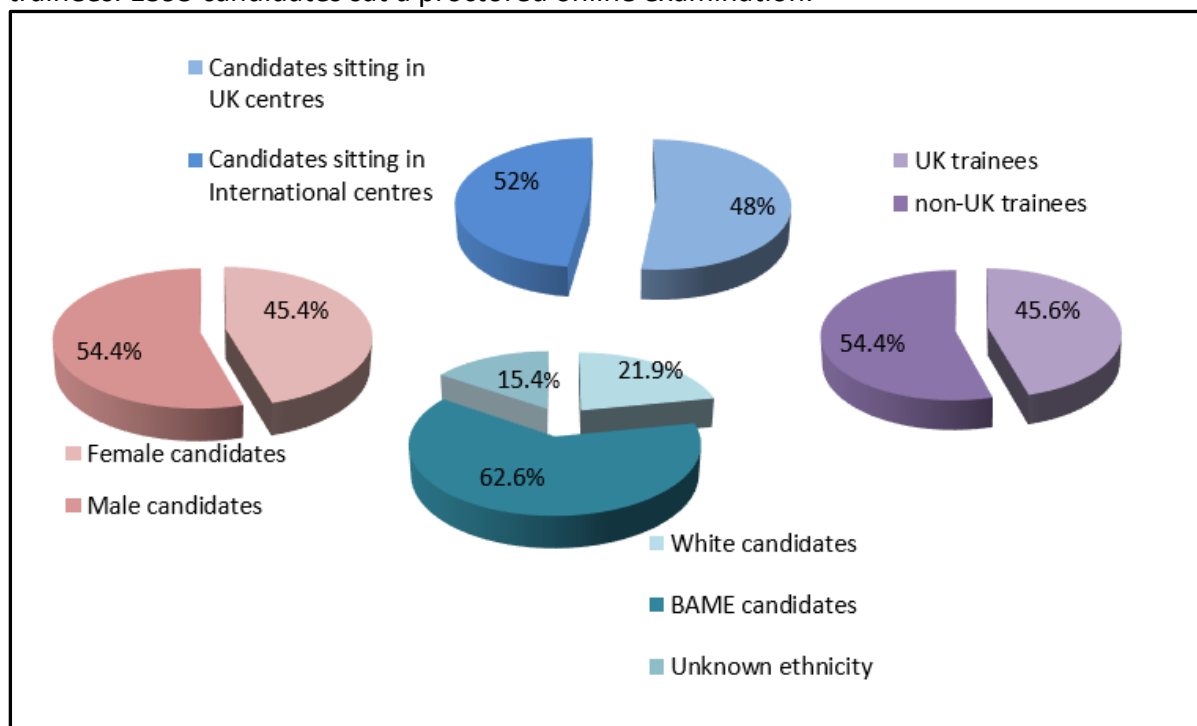
Number of candidates sitting	Number of UK trainees	Candidates not training in the UK	Equated pass score	Reliability (Cronbach alpha)	Standard error of measurement (%)
2590	1182	1408	454	0.86	3.1

Candidates sitting in UK centres	Candidates sitting in International centres	Female candidates*	Male candidates*	White candidates	BAME candidates	Unknown ethnicity
1346	1244	1177	1408	568	1622	400
52%	48%	45.4%	54.4%	21.9%	62.6%	15.4%

*not all candidates declare their gender hence the missing 0.4% from the total of 100%

The format of the March 2021 exam was a 2-paper exam of 100 questions each.

Almost equal numbers were sitting in international and UK centres; there were more male than female candidates and more BAME than White candidates. Less than half of total candidates are UK trainees. 1395 candidates sat a proctored online examination.

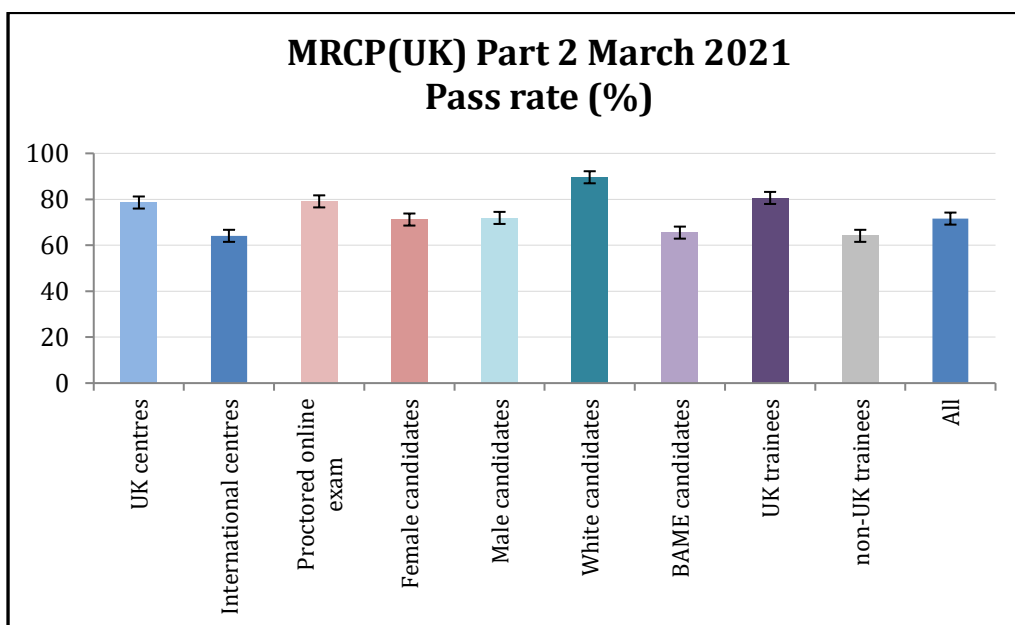


Candidate performance

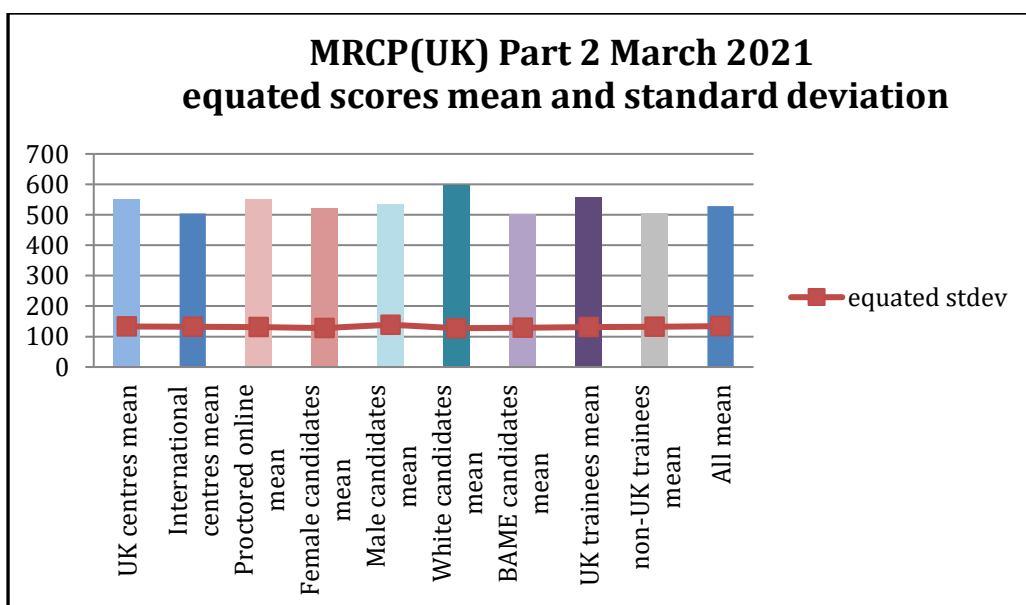
Candidate numbers and pass rates for all groups are in line with the historical data.

1395 candidates sat a proctored online examination and their pass rate is 79.1%.

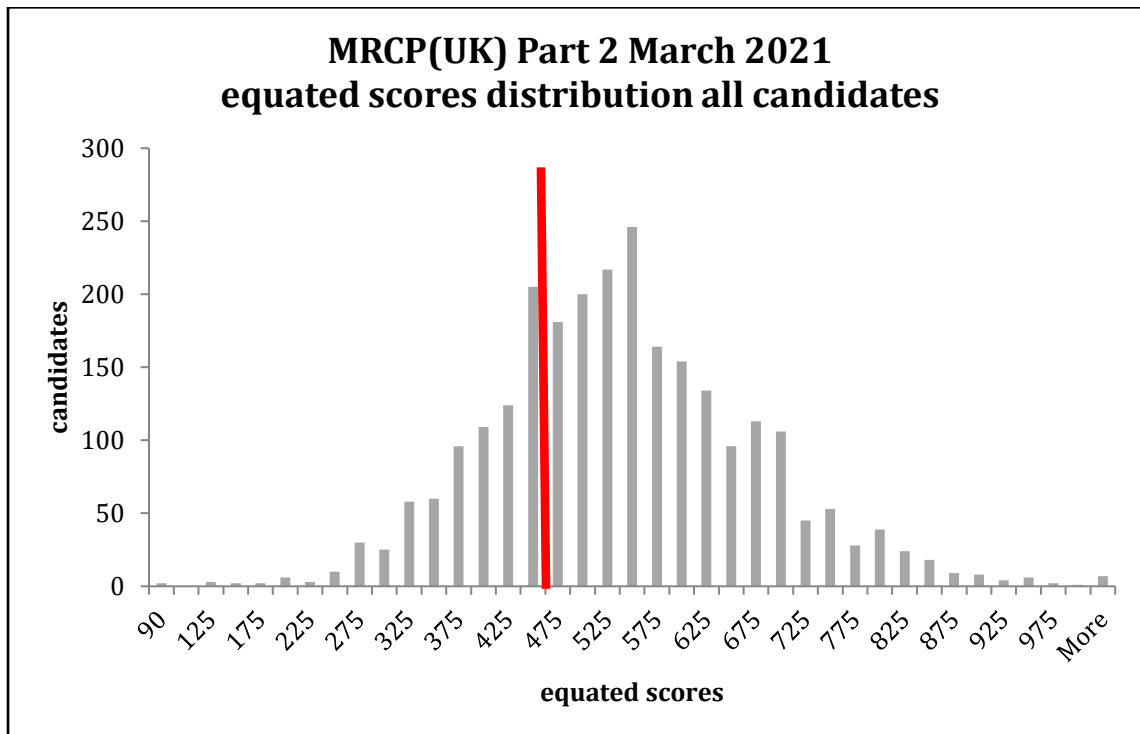
The pass rate is higher in UK centres than in international centres. Male and female candidates are passing in equal proportions, a higher proportion of White candidates is passing than BAME candidates and UK trainees have a higher pass rate than those not training in the UK.



The mean of equated scores is highest for White candidates and lowest for BAME candidates.



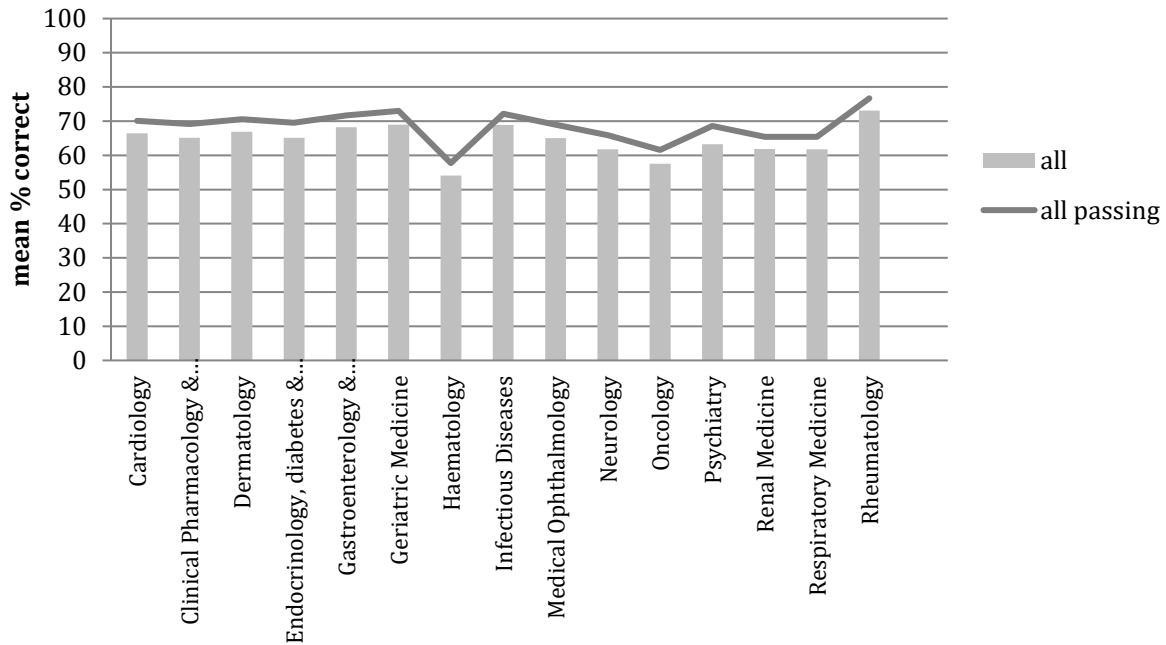
Candidate scores distribution shows many candidates scoring between 475 and 575 (mean=528.1, stdev=134.3, median=517, mode=502). The pass mark is established at **454**. In this examination the number of correct answers for a pass is **121** out of 200 scored questions.



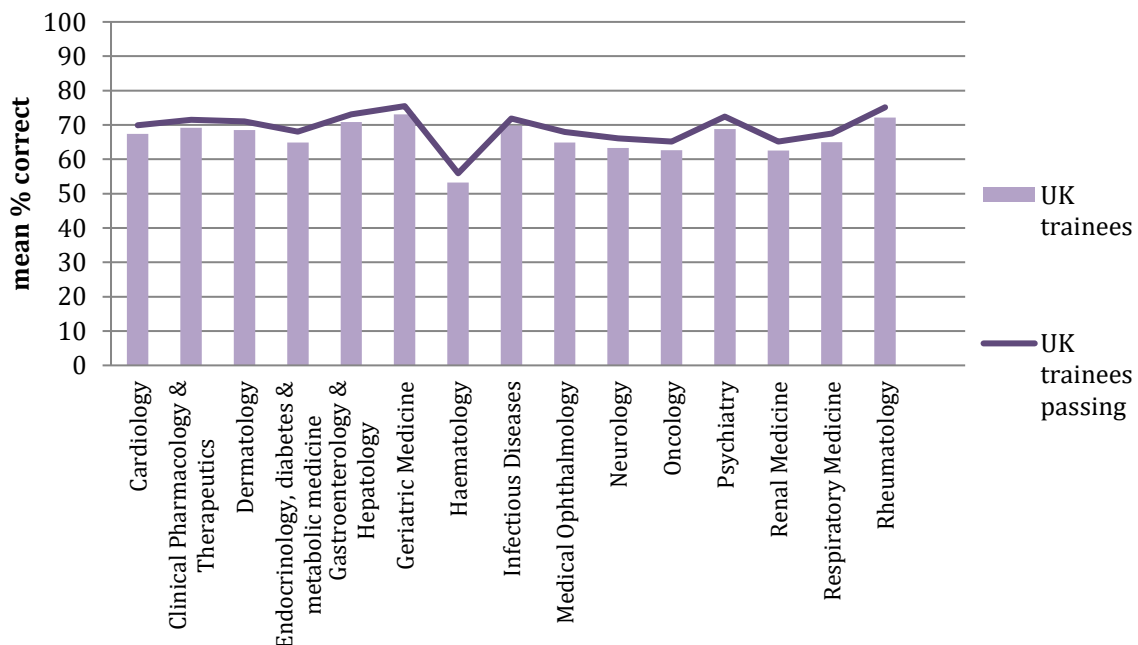
Topic performance

Candidates overall have the lowest mean percent correct in Haematology and the highest mean in Rheumatology. UK trainees had the highest mean in Geriatric medicine and the lowest in Haematology.

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MRCP(UK) Part 2 March 2021 topic performance UK trainees



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