

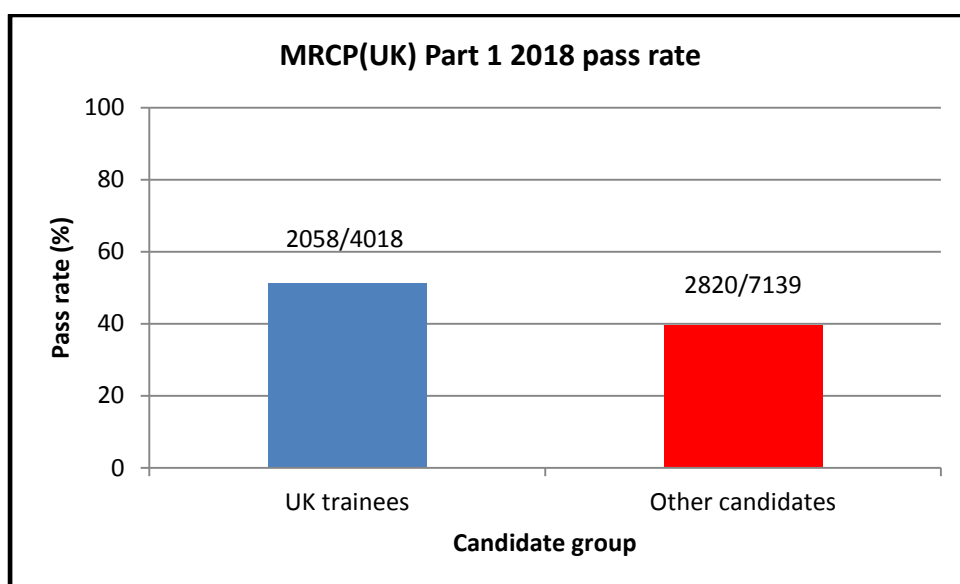
## MRCP(UK) Part 1 2018 performance report

The purpose of the MRCP(UK) Part 1 examination is to test knowledge and understanding of common and important disorders, as outlined in the UK curriculum, as well as clinical science.

Knowledge and understanding of UK national guidelines is also required.

In 2018 (diets 1 -3) the Part 1 examination was sat by 11,157 candidates (some of those sat more than once in 2018), 4,018 declared they were in UK training. Candidates who did not declare their training details are reported as 'Other candidates' (7,139).

### Pass rate and performance by attempt



**Figure 1.** Pass rates for UK trainees and Other candidates. Note that training details are self-declared

UK trainees on their first attempt had a pass rate of 60.9% (1480/2431).

Other candidates on their first attempt had a pass rate of 44.6% (2028/4546).

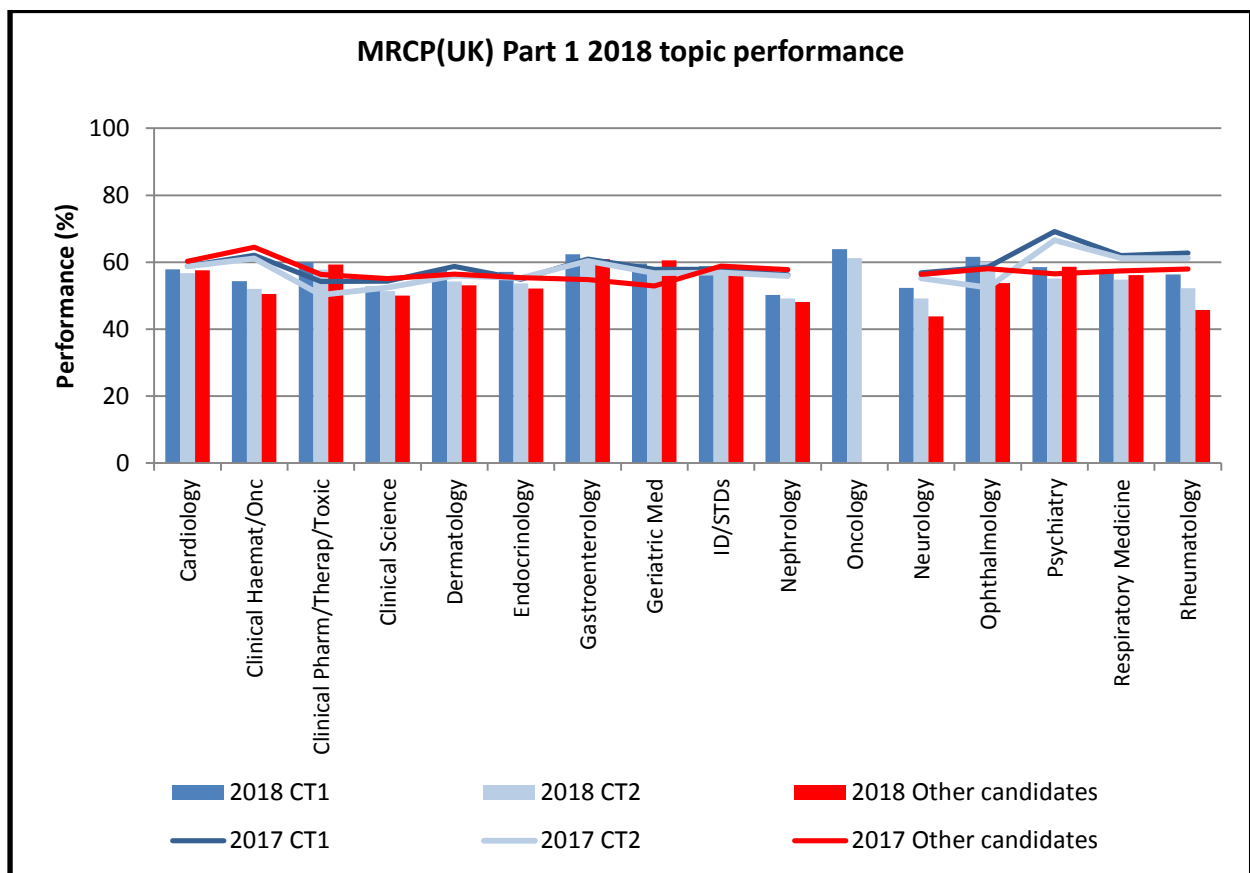
UK trainees				
Attempt	Pass	Fail	Total	Pass rate (%)
1	1480	951	2431	60.9%
2-6	565	974	1539	36.7%
7+	13	35	48	27.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2058</b>	<b>1960</b>	<b>4018</b>	<b>51.2%</b>

Other candidates				
Attempt	Pass	Fail	Total	Pass rate (%)
1	2028	2518	4546	44.6%
2-6	781	1712	2553	30.6%
7+	11	29	40	27.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2820</b>	<b>4259</b>	<b>7139</b>	<b>39.5%</b>

**Table 1.** Pass/fail rates by attempt for UK trainees and other candidates. Candidates will be counted multiple times if they have sat on more than one occasion. For example if a candidate failed at the second attempt but passed on the third, they would be in the fail column for the second attempt but pass column for the third attempt.

More information about the limit on the number of attempts can be found on the MRCP(UK) website: <https://www.mrcpuk.org/mrcpuk-examinations/regulations/limit-attempts>

## Percentage score by topic

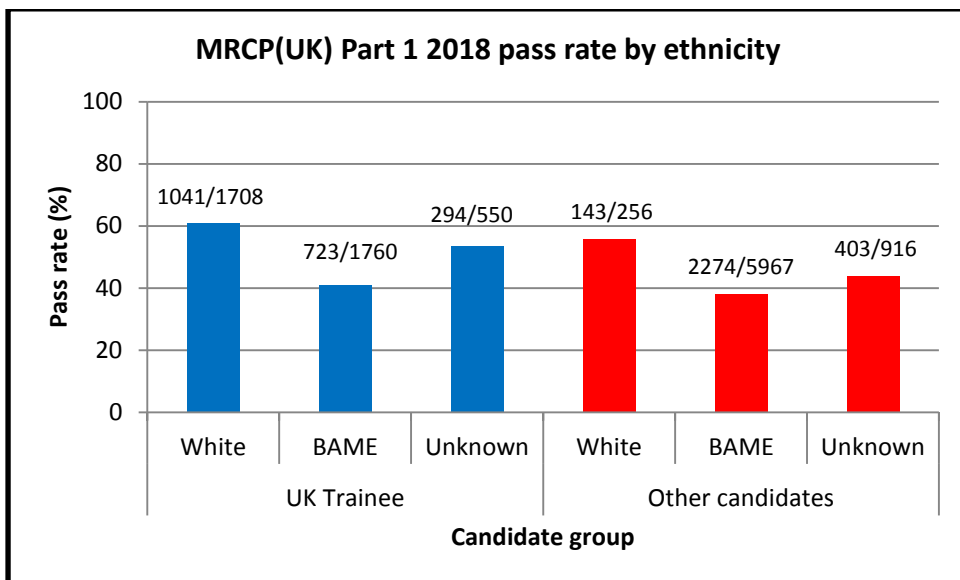
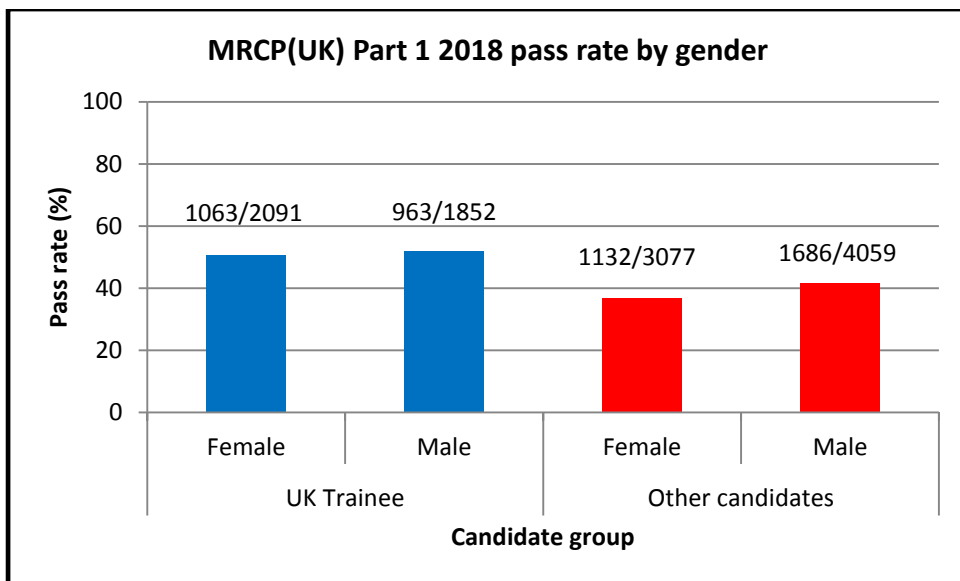


**Figure 2.** Performance by topic for CT1 and CT2 UK trainees and other candidates. Note that the percentages are calculated using scores from all attempts made at the examination. There is a new topic in 2018 = Oncology

## Pass rate by gender and ethnicity

In 2018 male candidates are doing slightly better than their female counterparts both in UK trainees and Other candidates groups. There is a small number of candidates who did not declare their gender.

Also, White candidates have higher pass rate than their BAME counterparts.



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