



Primary Exam Multiple Choice Subject Matrices

Multiple choice questions in each subject are chosen according to a “matrix” (see below) which ensures that the breadth of the subject is examined and that topics considered more important are represented by a larger percentage of questions across the entire examination.

Please note: Each topic will comprise **approximately 25% of the total examination**.

There may be slight variation between exams as to the percent of questions in each topic across the examination.

| Anatomy | (approx.) % of the topic on the Examination | Physiology | (approx.) % of the topic on the Examination |
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| Tissues & Structures | 5 | Principles of Cellular Function | 5 |
| Upper Limb | 25 | Nerves & Muscles | 5 |
| Lower Limb | 25 | Nervous System | 5 |
| Head, Neck & CNS | 20 | Endocrinology | 10 |
| Thorax | 12.5 | Gastrointestinal & Metabolism | 10 |
| Abdomen & Pelvis | 12.5 | Circulating Body Fluids | 5 |
| | | The Heart & the Circulation | 25 |
| | | Respiratory Physiology | 20 |
| | | Renal Physiology | 15 |
| Pathology | (approx.) % of the topic on the Examination | Pharmacology | (approx.) % of the topic on the Examination |
| Cellular Injury | 5 | General Pharmacology | 15 |
| Tissue Response to Injury | 10 | Respiratory System | 5 |
| Fluid & Haemodynamic | 10 | Cardiovascular System | 20 |
| Immunity | 5 | Nervous System | 15 |
| Neoplasia | 5 | Antimicrobial Agents | 10 |
| Infectious Diseases | 10 | Immune System (prev. Autacoids) | 5 |
| Environmental Pathology | 5 | Endocrine System | 5 |
| Cardiovascular System | 10 | Gastrointestinal Tract | 5 |
| Haemopoietic System | 5 | Analgesics & Anti-inflammatory Agents | 10 |
| Respiratory System | 10 | Toxicology | 5 |
| Gastrointestinal System | 5 | Fluids and Electrolytes | 5 |
| Liver, Biliary Tract & Pancreas | 10 | Safe Prescribing | 5 |
| Renal System & Genitourinary | 10 | Miscellaneous | 5 |
| Endocrine System | 5 | | |
| Musculoskeletal System | 5 | | |
| CNS & Eye | 5 | | |