



SAUDI BOARD RESIDENCY TRAINING PROGRAM

ANATOMIC PATHOLOGY

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%.





Suggested References:

1. Robbins and Cotran Pathologic Basis of Disease. 10th Edition
2. Rosai and Ackerman's Surgical Pathology. 11th Edition
3. WHO classification Series. IARC
4. Cytology: Diagnostic Principles and Clinical Correlates, by Edmund Cibas and Barbara Ducatman
5. Manual of Surgical Pathology, by Susan Lester
6. College of American Pathologist quality manual
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
9. The Bethesda system for reporting thyroid cytopathology, Syed Z. Ali, Edmund S. Cibas, 2017

Note:

This list is intended for use as a study aid only. SCFHS does not intend the list to imply endorsement of these specific references, nor are the exam questions necessarily taken solely from these sources.





Blueprint Outlines:

No.	Sections	Percentage
1	Surgical Pathology (including frozen section)	20%
2	Cytopathology	10%
3	General Pathology	35%
4	Systemic Pathology	20%
5	Gross Pathology	5%
6	Quality and Safety	5%
7	Ancillary Studies ¹	5%
Total		100%

Ancillary studies¹: includes special stains, immunohistochemistry, molecular and cytogenetics studies, and electron microscopy.

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.

