



SAUDI FELLOWSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

ADULT HEMATOLOGY

Promotion Examination

Written Examination:

Exam Format:

- A written examination shall consist of one paper with not less than 100 MCQs with a single best answer (one correct answer out of four options).
- The examination shall contain type K2 questions (interpretation, analysis, reasoning and decision making) and type K1 questions (recall and comprehension).
- The examination shall include basic concepts and clinical topics relevant to the specialty.
- Clinical presentation questions include history, clinical finding and patient approach. Diagnosis and investigation questions; include the possible diagnosis and diagnostic methods. Management questions; including treatment and clinical management, either therapeutic or nontherapeutic, and complications of management. Materials and Instruments questions; including material properties, usage, and selection of instruments and equipment used. Health maintenance questions; include health promotion, disease prevention, risk factors assessment, and prognosis.





Passing Score:

The trainee's performance is assessed in each of the evaluation formulas according to the following scoring system:

Score	Less than 50%	50% – 59.4%	60% - 69.4%	More than 70%
Description	Clear Fail	Borderline Fail	Borderline Pass	Clear Pass

1. To upgrade the trainee from a training level to the next level, She/he must obtain at least a **Borderline Pass** in each evaluation form.
2. The program director may recommend to the local supervision committee to request the promotion of the trainee who did not meet the previous promotion requirement according to the following:
 - i. In case that the trainee gets a **borderline Fail** result in **one** of the evaluation forms, the remaining evaluation forms must be passed with **Clear Pass** in at least **one** of them.
 - ii. In case that the trainee gets a **borderline Fail** result in **two** of the evaluation forms to a maximum, provided they do not fall under the same theme (Knowledge, Attitude, Skills). The remaining evaluation forms must be passed with **Clear Pass** in at least **two** of them.
 - iii. The promotion must be approved in this case by the scientific council for the specialization.





Suggested References:

TEXT BOOKS:

- * Hematology, 7th Edition, Basic Principles and Practice by Ronald Hoffman
- * Wintrobe's Clinical Hematology Thirteenth Edition by John P. Greer
- * Williams Hematology, 9th Edition by Kenneth Kaushansky
- * ASH –SAP American Society of Hematology Self-Assessment Program, 6th edition
- * Dacie and Lewis Practical Haematology, 12th Edition, by Barbara Bain, Imelda Bates, Mike Laffan
- * Bone Marrow Pathology by Kathryn Foucar
- * WHO Classification of Tumours of Haematopoietic and Lymphoid Tissues, WHO Classification of Tumours, Revised 4th Edition. Edited by Swerdlow SH, Campo E, Page L 10 Saudi Fellowship Final Written Examination; Insert the specialty name Harris NL, Jaffe ES, Pileri SA, Stein H, Thiele J, 2017.
- * 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.
- * Essentials of Patient Safety, SCHS, Latest Edition.

JOURNALS:

- * Blood
 - * Blood Review
 - * British Journal of Hematology
 - * Hemophilia
 - * Journal of Thrombosis and Hemostasis
 - * Hematology: ASH Education Program Book
 - * New England Journal of Medicine
 - * Bone Marrow Transplantation
 - * Biology of Blood and Marrow Transplantation
 - * Journal of Clinical Oncology
 - * Leukemia & Lymphoma
 - * Leukemia
 - * The Lancet
 - * Lancet Oncology
- On-Line RESOURCES:
Uptodate.com
ASH Image Bank

Crash Courses:

Outline of each course including suggested reading references given by the provider.

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.



Promotion Written Exam Blueprint Outlines:

No.	Sections	Percentage
1	Stem Cell Transplantation	20%
2	Lymphoproliferative disorders	16%
3	Myeloproliferative disorders	13%
3	Anemia including Hemoglobinopathies	11%
5	Myelodysplastic syndrome – Acute leukemia	10%
6	Thrombosis	9%
7	Bleeding disorders	8%
8	Transfusion Medicine	8%
9	Pharmacology & complications of hematopoietic neoplasms	5%
Total		100%

Notes:

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

