

MRCP(UK) Part 1 written examination March 2021 Contingency examination delivered online for COVID cancellations

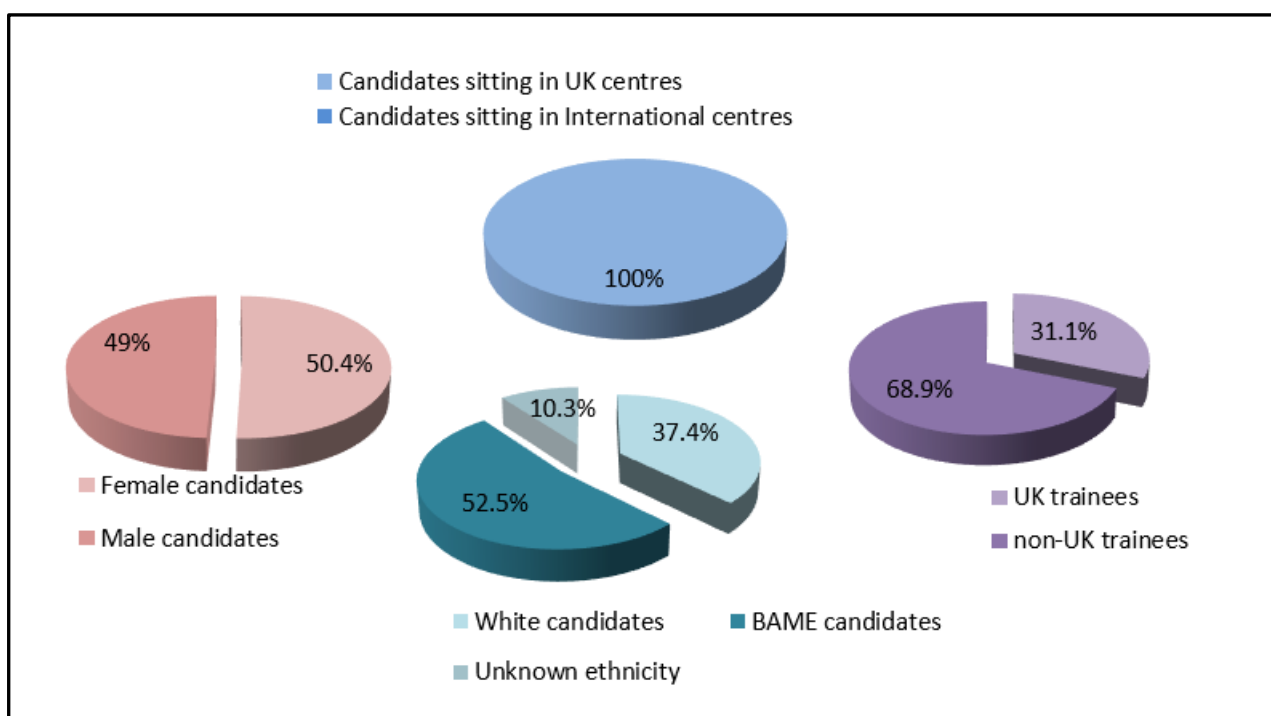
Performance report

Exam statistics

Number of candidates sitting	Number of UK trainees	Candidates not training in the UK	Pass equated score	Reliability (Cronbach alpha)	Standard error of measurement (%)
730	227	503	540	0.92	3

Candidates sitting in UK centres	Candidates sitting in International centres	Female candidates	Male candidates	White candidates	BAME candidates	Unknown ethnicity
730	0	368	358	273	382	75
100.00%	0.00%	50.40%	49.00%	37.40%	52.50%	10.30%

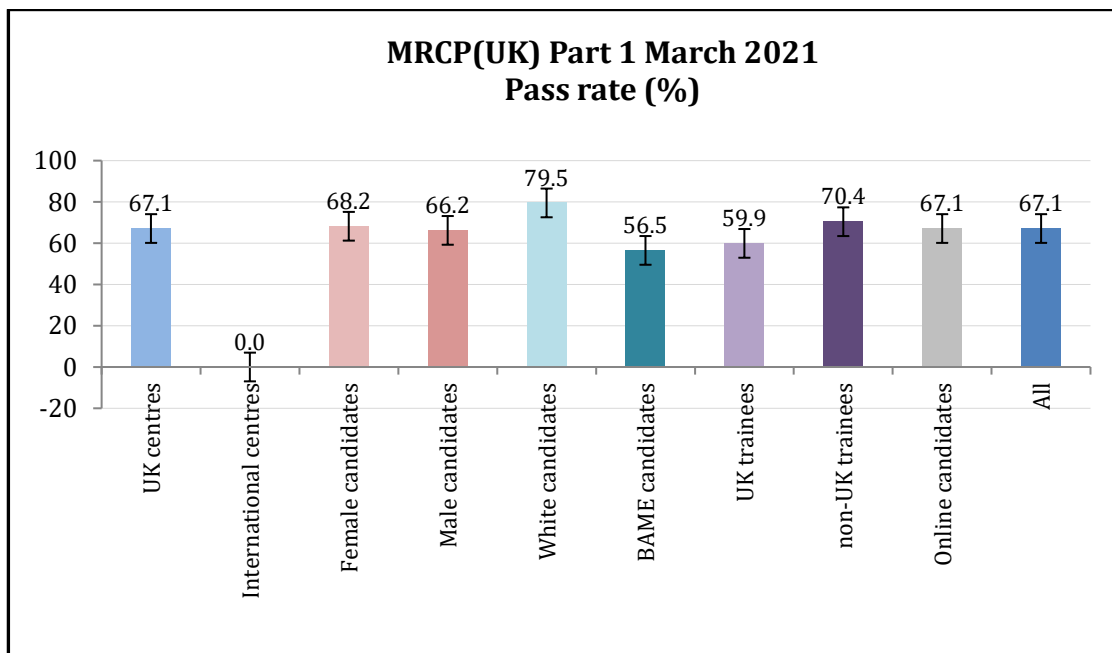
The number of male and female candidates is almost the same, there are more BAME than White candidates. The number of non-UK trainees is double the number of UK trainees and all candidates have completed the exam online using proctoring technology.



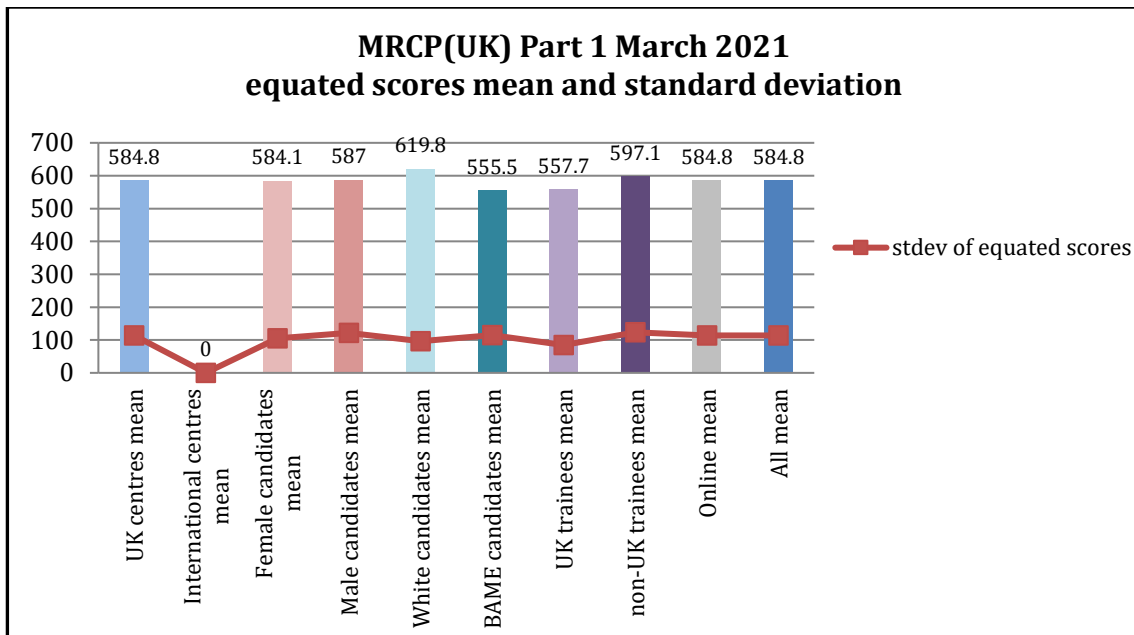
Candidate performance

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

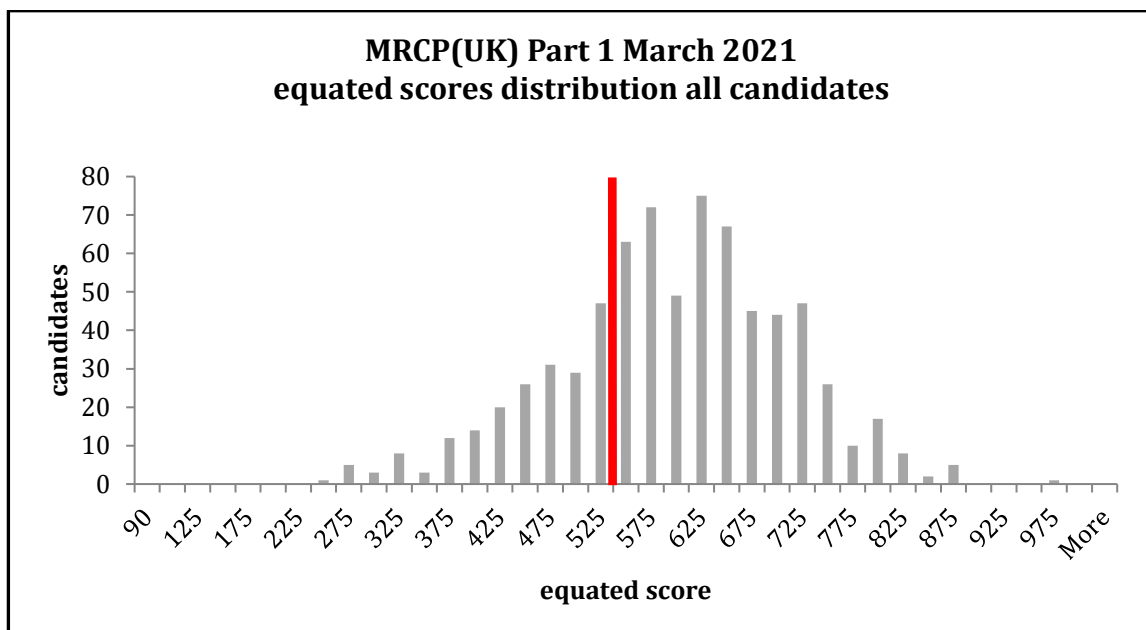
Male and female candidates are passing in a similar proportion, higher proportion of White candidates are passing than BAME candidates and non-UK trainees have a higher pass rate than those training in the UK. There are 448 UK graduates (348 at first attempt) sitting the exam but only 227 self-declared UK trainees (27 at first attempt) and therefore UK trainees' performance figures should be interpreted with caution. There could be a good reason for some UK graduates not to have a training status when registered for this exam.



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

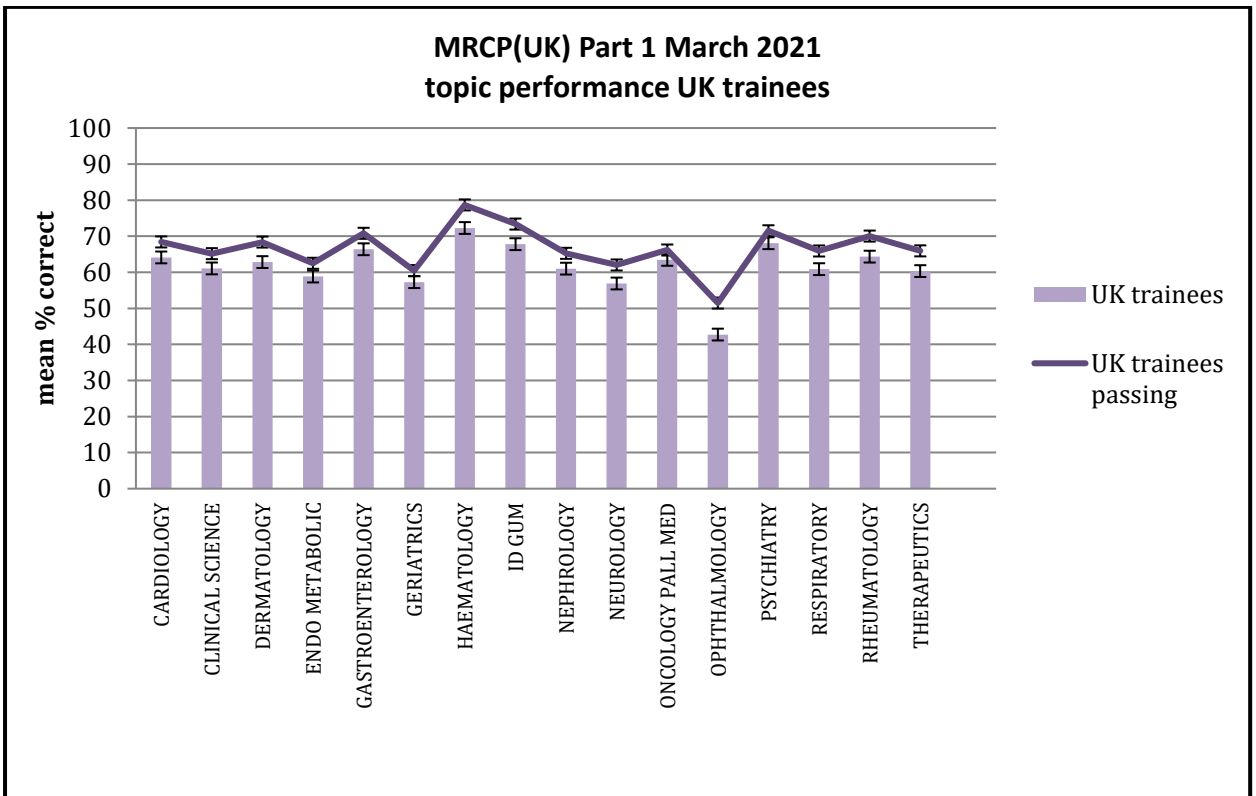
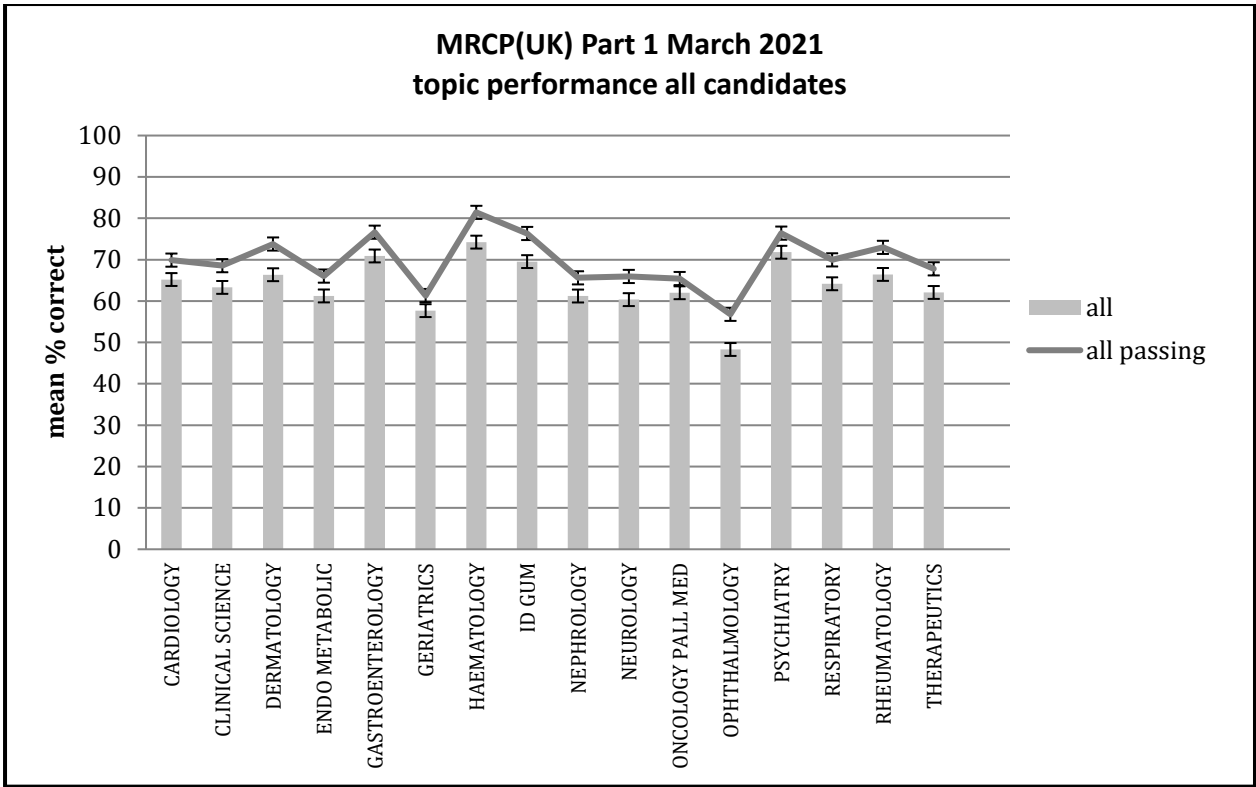


Candidate scores distribution shows many candidates scoring between 550 and 650 (mean=584.8, stdev=114.1, median=590, mode=602). The pass mark is established at **540**. In this examination the number of correct answers for a pass is 123. One question was pulled in paper 1 due to poor performance.



Topic performance

All candidates including UK trainees have the highest mean percent correct in Haematology and the lowest topic being Ophthalmology. Same pattern applies to candidates passing the examination.



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