

Histopathology

Assessment and examination requirements for ST4

Workplace based assessment

Workplace based assessment	Minimum number of satisfactory workplace-based assessment required
Case-based Discussion	6 for Stage C (4 directed)
Direct Observation of Practical Skills	6 for Stage C (4 directed)
Evaluation of Clinical Events	6 for Stage C (4 directed)

Information about the directed workplace-based assessments can be found in [Appendix 6 of the 2015 histopathology curricula](#).

Further information about workplace-based assessments are available on the [College website](#).

Fellowship of the Royal College of Pathologists (FRCPath) examination

[Examination regulations and guidelines](#) are available on the College website.

It is expected that trainees will normally have passed the FRCPath Part 2 examination by the end of Stage C. Trainees who have not passed the FRCPath Part 2 examination by the end of Stage C will be prevented from progressing to Stage D of training. This may result in an extension to training through the ARCP process.

Annual Review of Competence Progression (ARCP)

The ARCP is a deanery-led process that should take place towards the end of the trainee's year of training. The outcome of the ARCP determines the trainee's progress through training. Trainees should ensure that they record all of their training and assessment activities using the LEPT system in preparation for their ARCP.

To enable progression at ARCP trainees must provide evidence of:

- 6 satisfactory outcomes for each workplace-based assessment tool for the stage of training (with directed workplace-based assessments as detailed above).
- A pass in the FRCPath Part 2 examination.

Trainees Programme Directors may also complete a decision aid, which is design to help ensure a consistent approach to the Chemical Pathology ARCP process across Training Programmes and should be completed at the time of the ARCP. The decision aids are available on the [College website](#).

