

Medical Microbiology, incorporating Combined Infection Training

Assessment requirements for medical microbiology and joint Infectious Diseases trainees on the 2014 curriculum

Combined Infection Training (CIT) – ST3 AND ST4

Workplace based assessment

Workplace based assessment	CIT – Year 1 (ST3)	CIT – Year 2 (ST4)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case-based discussion (CbD) • Evaluation of Clinical/Management Events (ECE) • Acute Care Assessment Tool (ACAT) • Mini-Clinical Evaluation Exercise (mini-CEX) 	Trainees will have to undertake at least 6 per year	Trainees will have to undertake at least 6 per year
Direct Observation of Practical Skills (DOPS)	6 over two years	

Multi-source feedback (MSF)

Trainees are also required to undertake one MSF in CIT.

Multiple Consultant Reports (MCRs)

As well as the MSF trainees must also complete two Multiple Consultant Reports (MCRs). Trainees are required to obtain a minimum of four and up to six multiple consultant reports (MCR) per year. Each MCR form is completed by one consultant and the feedback is automatically collated into a MCR Year Summary Sheet for the Educational Supervisor. Guidance on the use of the MCR and up to date specialty requirements are available on the [JRCPTB website](#).

In total during CIT, trainees will complete a minimum of 18 workplace-based assessments as well as one MSF and two MCRs (minimum of four and up to six multiple consultant reports each time).



Higher Specialty Training in Medical Microbiology – ST5 AND ST6

Workplace based assessment

Workplace based assessment	MM – Year 3 (ST5)	MM – Year 4 (ST6)
Case-based discussion (CbD)	6	6
Direct Observation of Practical Skills (DOPS)	4	4
Evaluation of Clinical Events (ECE)	6	6

Multi-source feedback (MSF)

Trainees are required to undertake one MSF (during ST6).

Multiple Consultant Reports (MCRs)

Trainees are required to undertake two MCRs, one per year, (a minimum of four and up to six multiple consultant reports each time) in higher specialty training.

In total during HST, trainees will complete a minimum of 32 workplace-based assessments as well as an MSF during ST6 and two MCRs (a minimum of four and up to six multiple consultant reports each time).

FRCPath examination

The major assessments will be the FRCPath Part 1 examination which can be taken towards the end, or after completion, of CIT and the FRCPath Part 2 examination which must be passed before completion of the training programme.

Annual Review of Competence Progression (ARCP)

The ARCP is an annual opportunity for evidence gathered by a trainee, relating to the trainee's progress in the training programme, to document the competencies that are being gained. Evidence of competence will be judged based on a portfolio of documentation, culminating in an Educational Supervisors Structured Report.

Trainees should ensure that they record all of their training and assessment activities using the e-portfolio system in preparation for their ARCP.

N.B. This information is based on full-time trainees progressing at the expected rate. Trainees who are part-time etc. can consult the College separately for specific guidance should they require it. See also: [Workplace-based assessment and less than full-time training](#)