



FINAL EXAMINATION FOR THE FELLOWSHIP IN CLINICAL RADIOLOGY – PART A

Candidate Reference Sheet

This reference sheet is for candidate use during the single best answer (SBA) question papers. It provides information about frequently used abbreviations and normal ranges for investigations.

ABBREVIATIONS

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| 5-HIAA | 5-hydroxyindoleacetic acid |
| ¹¹C | choline C-11 |
| ¹⁸FDG | ¹⁸ fluoro-2-deoxy-D-glucose |
| ⁶⁷Ga | gallium-67 |
| ^{99m}Tc | technetium-99m |
| ^{99m}Tc HDP | technetium-99m hydroxymethylene diphosphonate |
| ^{99m}Tc HMPAO | technetium-99m hexamethylpropylene amine oxime |
| ¹¹¹In | indium-111 |
| ¹²³I-MIBG | iodine-123 meta-iodobenzyl guanidine |
| ¹³¹I | iodine-131 |
| ¹³³Xe | xenon-133 |
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| AAA | abdominal aortic aneurysm |
| ABER | abduction and external rotation |
| ABPA | allergic bronchopulmonary aspergillosis |
| AC | acromioclavicular |
| ACA | anterior cerebral artery |
| ACE | angiotensin converting enzyme |
| ACL | anterior cruciate ligament |
| ACTH | adrenocorticotrophic hormone |
| ADC | apparent diffusion coefficient |
| ADEM | acute disseminated encephalomyelitis |
| ADH | antidiuretic hormone |
| AF | atrial fibrillation |
| AFP | alpha-fetoprotein |
| AIDS | acquired immune deficiency syndrome |
| ALPSA | anterior labral periosteal sleeve avulsion |
| ALL | acute lymphoblastic leukemia |
| ALT | alanine aminotransferase |
| ALVAL | aseptic lymphocyte-dominated vasculitis-associated lesion |
| AML | acute myeloid leukaemia |
| ANCA | anti-neutrophil cytoplasmic antibodies |
| AP | anteroposterior |
| APTT | activated partial thromboplastin time |
| ARDS | adult respiratory distress syndrome |
| ASD | atrial septal defect |
| AST | aspartate transaminase |
| AV | arteriovenous |
| AVM | arteriovenous malformation |
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| βHCG | beta-human chorionic gonadotrophin |

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| BMI | body mass index |
| BOPTA | benzyloxypropionictetra-acetate |
| BPH | benign prostatic hyperplasia |
| BRCA1 | breast cancer gene type 1 |
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| CA 125 | cancer antigen 125 |
| CABG | coronary artery bypass graft |
| CADASIL | cerebral autosomal dominant arteriopathy with subcortical infarcts and leucoencephalopathy |
| CAM | cavernous angiomaticus malformation |
| CBD | common bile duct |
| CC | cranio-caudal |
| CCD | charge coupled device |
| CEA | carcinoembryonic antigen |
| CECT | contrast-enhanced computed tomography |
| CFA | common femoral artery |
| CJD | Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease |
| CKD | chronic kidney disease |
| CLD | chronic lung disease |
| CMV | cytomegalovirus |
| CNS | central nervous system |
| CO₂ | carbon dioxide |
| COP | cryptogenic organising pneumonia |
| COPD | chronic obstructive pulmonary disease |
| CPA | cerebellopontine angle |
| CPAM | congenital pulmonary airway malformation |
| CPPD | calcium pyrophosphate deposition disease |
| CR | computed radiography |
| CREST | calcinosis, Raynaud's phenomenon, esophageal dysmotility, sclerodactyly, and telangiectasia |
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| CRM | circumferential resection margin |
| CRMO | chronic recurrent multifocal osteomyelitis |
| CRP | C-reactive protein |
| CSF | cerebrospinal fluid |
| CSOM | chronic secretory otitis media |
| CT | computed tomography |
| CTA | CT angiography |
| CTC | CT colonography |
| CTCA | CT coronary angiography |
| CTPA | CT pulmonary angiogram |
| CTU | CT urography / urogram |
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| DAI | diffuse axonal injury |
| DaTSCAN | dopamine active transporter scan |
| DCE | dynamic contrast-enhanced |
| DCIS | ductal carcinoma in situ |
| DDH | developmental dysplasia of the hip |
| DEXA | dual-energy x-ray absorptiometry |
| DIOS | distal intestinal obstruction syndrome |
| DIP | desquamative interstitial pneumonia |
| DISH | diffuse idiopathic skeletal hyperostosis |
| DIPJ | distal interphalangeal joint |
| DISI | dorsal intercalated segment instability |
| DJ | duodenjejunal |
| DMSA | dimercaptosuccinic acid |
| DNET | dysembryoplastic neuroepithelial tumour |

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| DP | dorsoplantar |
| DR | digital radiography |
| DSA | digital subtraction angiography |
| DTPA | diethylene-triamine penta-acetic acid |
| DVT | deep vein thrombosis |
| DW | diffusion weighted |
| DWI | diffusion-weighted imaging |
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| EAA | extrinsic allergic alveolitis |
| EBUS | endobronchial ultrasound |
| ECG | electrocardiogram |
| ECMO | extracorporeal membrane oxygenation |
| ED | emergency department |
| EEG | electroencephalogram |
| eGFR | estimated glomerular filtration rate |
| ENT | ear, nose and throat |
| Eob | ethoxybenzyl |
| ER | emergency room |
| ERCP | endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography |
| ESR | erythrocyte sedimentation rate |
| ESWL | extracorporeal shockwave lithotripsy |
| ETT | endotracheal tube |
| EUA | examination under anaesthesia |
| EUS | endoscopic ultrasound |
| EVAR | endovascular aneurysm repair |
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| F2 | Foundation Year 2 |
| FAST | focused abdominal ultrasonography in trauma |
| FBC | full blood count |
| FDG | fluorodeoxyglucose |
| FEES | fibre-optic endoscopic evaluation of swallowing |
| FESS | functional endoscopic sinus surgery |
| FEV1 | forced expired volume in one second |
| FIT | faecal immunochemical test |
| FLAIR | fluid attenuated inversion recovery |
| FMH | fibromuscular hyperplasia |
| FNA | fine needle aspiration |
| FNAC | fine needle aspiration cytology |
| FNH | focal nodular hyperplasia |
| FOB | faecal occult blood |
| FS | fat suppressed |
| FSE | fast spin echo |
| FSH | follicle stimulating hormone |
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| GB | gall bladder |
| GBM | glioblastoma multiforme |
| GCS | Glasgow coma score |
| G-CSF | granulocyte-colony stimulating factor |
| Gd | gadolinium |
| Gd-EOB-DTPA | gadolinium ethoxybenzyl diethylenetriamine penta-acetic acid |
| GE | gradient echo |
| GGT | gamma-glutamyl transpeptidase / gamma-glutamyl transferase |
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| GI | gastrointestinal |
| GIST | gastrointestinal stromal tumour |
| GOJ | gastro-oesophageal junction |
| GP | general practitioner |

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| GPA | granulomatosis with polyangiitis |
| GRE | gradient recalled echo |
| GTN | glyceryl trinitrate |
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| H1N1 | influenza A |
| HAART | highly active antiretroviral therapy |
| HAGL | humeral avulsion glenohumeral ligament |
| HBsAg | hepatitis B surface antigen |
| HCC | hepatocellular carcinoma |
| HDU | high dependency unit |
| HELLP | haemolytic anemia, elevated liver enzymes and low platelet |
| HHT | hereditary haemorrhagic telangiectasia |
| HIDA | hepatic iminodiacetic acid |
| HIFU | high intensity focused ultrasound |
| HIV | human immunodeficiency virus |
| HLA-B27 | human leucocyte antigen B27 |
| HLRCC | hereditary leiomyomatosis and renal cell cancer |
| HMPAO | hexamethylpropyleneamine oxime |
| HOA | hypertrophic osteoarthropathy |
| HP | hypersensitivity pneumonitis (formerly EAA) |
| HPOA | hypertrophic pulmonary osteoarthropathy |
| HPV | human papillomavirus |
| HR | high-resolution |
| HRCT | high-resolution computed tomography |
| HRT | hormone replacement therapy |
| HSG | hysterosalpingogram |
| HU | Hounsfield unit |
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| IA | intra-arterial |
| IAM | internal auditory meatus |
| ICA | internal carotid artery |
| IDA | iminodiacetic acid |
| IgG4 | immunoglobulin G4- related disease |
| IHH | infantile hepatic hemangioma |
| IVJ | internal jugular vein |
| IM | intramuscular |
| IMA | inferior mesenteric artery |
| INR | international normalised ratio |
| IPF | idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis |
| IPMN | intraductal papillary mucinous neoplasm |
| ITU | intensive therapy unit |
| IUCD | intrauterine contraceptive device |
| IV | intravenous |
| IVC | inferior vena cava |
| IVF | in vitro fertilisation |
| IVU | intravenous urography/urogram |
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| JIA | juvenile idiopathic arthritis |
| JVP | jugular venous pressure |
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| KUB | kidney, ureter and bladder |
| kV | kilovoltage |
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| LAD | left anterior descending |
| LAM | lymphangioleiomyomatosis |
| LAO | left anterior oblique |
| LASER | light amplification by stimulated emission of radiation |

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| LCH | Langerhans cell histiocytosis |
| LDH | lactate dehydrogenase |
| LFTs | liver function tests |
| LH | luteinising hormone |
| LIQ | lower inner quadrant |
| LIP | lymphocytic interstitial pneumonitis |
| LMP | last menstrual period |
| LMWH | low molecular weight heparin |
| LOQ | lower outer quadrant |
| LUL | left upper lobe |
| LV | left ventricle |
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| mA | tube current |
| MAA | macroaggregated albumin |
| MAG3 | mercaptoacetyltriglycine |
| MALToma | mucosa-associated lymphatic tissue lymphoma |
| MCA | middle cerebral artery |
| MCL | medial collateral ligament |
| MCP | metacarpophalangeal |
| MCUG | micturating cystourethrogram |
| MCV | mean corpuscular volume |
| MDCT | multidetector computed tomography |
| MDP | methylene diphosphonate |
| MDT | multidisciplinary team |
| ME | myalgic encephalomyelitis |
| MELAS | mitochondrial encephalomyopathy, lactic acidosis, and stroke-like episodes |
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| MEN | multiple endocrine neoplasia |
| MI | myocardial infarction |
| MIBI | methoxyisobutylisonitrile |
| MIBG | metaiodobenzylguanidine |
| Mn-DPDP | manganese dipyridoxal diphosphate |
| MLO | mediolateral-oblique |
| mpMR | multiparametric magnetic resonance |
| MPO | myeloperoxidase |
| MR | magnetic resonance |
| MRA | magnetic resonance angiography |
| MRCP | magnetic resonance cholangiopancreatography |
| MRI | magnetic resonance imaging |
| MRU | magnetic resonance urography |
| MRV | magnetic resonance venography |
| MS | multiple sclerosis |
| MSU | mid-stream urine |
| MTP | metatarsophalangeal |
| MTPJ | metatarsophalangeal joint |
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| NAA | N-acetylaspartate |
| NASCET | North American Symptomatic Carotid Endarterectomy Trial |
| NASH | non-alcoholic steatohepatitis |
| NAI | non-accidental injury |
| NBSS | National Breast Screening Service |
| NEC | necrotising enterocolitis |
| NET | neuroendocrine tumour |
| NF-1 | neurofibromatosis Type 1 |
| NG | nasogastric |
| NICE | National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence |
| NJ | nasojejunal |

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| NMDA | N-Methyl-D-aspartate |
| NMO | neuromyelitis optica |
| NNU | neonatal unit |
| NPV | negative predictive value |
| NSAIDs | non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs |
| NSF | nephrogenic systemic fibrosis |
| NSIP | non-specific interstitial pneumonia |
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| OA | osteo-arthritis |
| OARs | Ottawa ankle rules |
| OGD | oesophagogastroduodenoscopy |
| OM | occipitomental |
| OPG/T | orthopantomography/orthopantomogram |
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| PR3 | proteinase 3 |
| PA | posteroanterior |
| p-ANCA | perinuclear anti-neutrophil cytoplasmic antibodies |
| PAPVR | partial anomalous pulmonary venous return |
| PCA | posterior cerebral artery |
| PCNL | percutaneous nephrolithotomy |
| PCOS | polycystic ovary syndrome |
| PCOM | posterior communicating |
| PCL | posterior cruciate ligament |
| PCP | Pneumocystis pneumonia / Pneumocystis jirovecii pneumonia |
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| PDA | patent ductus arteriosus |
| PD | proton-density |
| PDW | proton-density-weighted |
| PE | pulmonary embolism |
| PET | positron emission tomography |
| PICA | posterior inferior cerebellar artery |
| PICU | paediatric intensive care unit |
| PIMS | paediatric inflammatory multi-system syndrome |
| PIP | proximal interphalangeal |
| PI-RADS | prostate imaging reporting and data system |
| PIPJ | proximal interphalangeal joint |
| PMB | post-menopausal bleeding |
| PMC | pseudomembranous colitis |
| PML | progressive multifocal leucoencephalopathy |
| PMR | polymyalgia rheumatica |
| PNET | primitive neuroectodermal tumour |
| PR | per rectum |
| PRES | posterior reversible encephalopathy syndrome |
| PSA | prostate specific antigen |
| PSMA | prostate specific membrane antigen |
| PT | prothrombin time |
| PTC | percutaneous transhepatic cholangiography |
| PTH | parathyroid hormone |
| PTLD | post-transplant lymphoproliferative disorder |
| PUJ | pelviureteric junction |
| PV | per vagina |
| PVA | polyvinyl alcohol |
| PVNS | pigmented villonodular synovitis |
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| RBC | red blood cell |
| RB-ILD | respiratory bronchiolitis-associated interstitial lung disease |
| RCA | right coronary artery |

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| RCC | renal cell carcinoma |
| RDS | respiratory distress syndrome |
| RF | radiofrequency |
| RICH | rapidly involuting congenital haemangioma |
| RIF | right iliac fossa |
| RLQ | right lower quadrant |
| RPF | retroperitoneal fibrosis |
| RR | respiratory rate |
| RSD | reflex sympathetic dystrophy |
| RTC | road traffic collision |
| RUQ | right upper quadrant |
| RV | right ventricular |
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| SAPHO | synovitis, acne, pustulosis, hyperostosis and osteitis |
| SCC | squamous cell carcinoma |
| SE | spin echo |
| SFA | superficial femoral artery |
| SI | sacroiliac |
| SLAC | scapholunate advanced collapse |
| SLAP | superior labrum anterior to posterior tear |
| SLE | systemic lupus erythematosus |
| SMA | superior mesenteric artery |
| SMV | superior mesenteric vein |
| SPECT | single photon emission computed tomography |
| SPEN | solid and papillary epithelial neoplasm |
| SPGR | spoiled gradient recalled echo |
| SPIO | superparamagnetic iron oxide |
| SPN | solitary pulmonary nodule |
| STIR | short tau inversion recovery |
| SUV | standardised uptake value |
| SVC | superior vena cava |
| SWI | susceptibility-weighted imaging |
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| T1FS | T1-weighted fat suppressed spin echo |
| T1W | T1-weighted |
| T2W | T2-weighted |
| T1WI | T1-weighted image |
| T2WI | T2-weighted image |
| TACE | trans-arterial chemoembolisation |
| TAPVD | total anomalous pulmonary venous drainage |
| TAVI | transcatheter aortic valve implantation |
| TB | tuberculosis |
| Tc-HIDA | technetium hepatic iminodiacetic acid |
| TCC | transitional cell carcinoma |
| TE | echo time |
| TI | time to inversion |
| TIA | transient ischemic attack |
| TIPS | transjugular intrahepatic portosystemic shunt |
| TMT | tarsometatarsal |
| TNM | tumor, node, metastasis staging |
| TKR | total knee replacement |
| TORCH | TOxoplasmosis, Rubella, Cytomegalovirus and Herpes |
| TR | repetition time |
| TRUS | transrectal ultrasound |
| TSE | turbo spin echo |
| TSH | thyroid stimulating hormone |

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| TURBT | transurethral resection of bladder tumour |
| TURP | transurethral resection of the prostate |
| TVUS | transvaginal ultrasound |
| UAC | umbilical arterial catheter |
| UIQ | upper inner quadrant |
| UIP | usual interstitial pneumonia |
| USPIO | ultrasmall superparamagnetic iron oxide particles |
| USS | ultrasound scan |
| UOQ | upper outer quadrant |
| UTI | urinary tract infection |
| UVC | umbilical venous catheter |
| VA | vertebral artery |
| VATER | vertebrae, anus, trachea, oesophagus, radial and renal |
| VATS | video-assisted thoracic surgery |
| VHL | von Hippel-Lindau |
| VIP | vasoactive intestinal peptide |
| VISI | volar intercalated segmental instability |
| VMA | vanillylmandelic acid |
| VQ | ventilation perfusion |
| VSD | ventricular septal defect |
| VUJ | vesicoureteric junction |
| WCC | white cell count |
| WHO | World Health Organisation |

NORMAL RANGES

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| alanine aminotransferase (ALT) | 5 – 35 U/L |
| alkaline phosphatase (ALP) | 45 – 105 U/L |
| alphafetoprotein (AFP) | < 44 µg/L |
| bilirubin | 1 – 22 µmol/L |
| calcium | 2.2 – 2.6 mmol/L |
| cancer antigen 125 (CA 125) | < 35 U/mL |
| carcinoembryonic antigen (CEA) | < 5 ng/mL |
| cluster of differentiation (CD4) | 500 – 1600 cells/mm ³ |
| C-reactive protein (CRP) | < 10 mg/L |
| creatinine | 60 – 100 µmol/L |
| eGFR | 70 – 140 mL/min |
| erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) | 0 – 20 mm/first hour |
| gamma-glutamyl transferase | 4 – 35 U/L |
| glomerular filtration rate (GFR) | 70 – 140 mL/min |
| glucose (fasting) | 3.0 – 6.0 mmol/L |
| haemoglobin (Hb) | 130 – 180 g/L (males) 115 – 165 g/L (females) |
| INR | 0.5 – 1.2 |
| MCV | 80 – 96 fL |
| phosphate | 0.8 – 1.4 mmol/L |
| platelet count | 150 – 400 × 10 ⁹ /L |
| potassium | 3.5 – 4.9 mmol/L |
| prolactin | 80 – 520 mU/L |
| prostate specific antigen (PSA) | < 4 µg/L |
| prothrombin time | 11-15 seconds |
| serum cholesterol | < 5.2 mmol/L |
| sodium | 137 – 144 mmol/L |
| thyroid stimulating hormone (TSH) | 0.3 – 5.5 miu/L |
| urea | 2.5 – 7.5 mmol/L |
| white cell count (WCC) | 4 – 11 × 10 ⁹ /L |

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