



## FRCS OPHTHALMOLOGY – PART 1 WRITTEN PAPER GROUP

### REMIT OF GROUP – BASIC SCIENTISTS

**Post Title:** FRCS – Part 1 Support Group Basic Scientist  
  
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**Date:** **Monday** 24 January 2022

The award of the Diploma of Fellowship of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow indicates that a candidate has a sound knowledge of the scientific basis of ophthalmology and is experienced and competent at applying that knowledge to patients suffering from common ophthalmic conditions.

The Part 1 examination is offered twice a year and is designed to test basic sciences in relation to Ophthalmology.

The syllabus is tested in approximately the following proportions:

Anatomy	25%
Physiology	25%
Pathology	25%
Embryology, pharmacology, cell biology and biochemistry, genetics and optics	25%

There is now a requirement for basic scientist to join the Part 1 group to support the activities below:

- Participate in the selection of questions for each diet
- Ensure adequate coverage of the syllabus by adhering to the blueprint
- Review questions submitted by examiners
- Participate in standard setting
- Participate in examiner training
- Review feedback from candidates
- Participate in four to six group discussions each year (which may be held remotely)

Group members will act for a period of 3 years in the first instance. This term may be extended by a further period of up to 2 years by mutual agreement. Group members must protect the confidentiality of the question bank.

### Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must hold a basic science qualification equivalent to Fellowship of a Royal College from equivalent organisations such as:

- Fellowship of the Royal College of Anaesthetists



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- Fellowship of the Royal College of Pathologists
- Fellowship of British Association of Clinical Anatomists (BACA)
- Fellowship of the Anatomical Society (of Gt Britain and Ireland)
- Fellowship of the Physiological Society

This list is not exhaustive and each application will be considered on an individual basis.

Active in postgraduate surgical training/education/teaching.

In good standing with the College/Professional Organisation.

In good standing with the GMC/IMC or equivalent body and not under investigation by an NHS Trust/employing body that restricts their clinical or professional practice.

A commitment to equality and diversity

Able to provide the names and contact details of two suitable referees (see below).

### PERSON SPECIFICATION

In addition to meeting the eligibility criteria, examiners must show commitment to:

1. High professional standards as an examiner, including understanding of appropriate techniques and a policy of courtesy, fairness and non-discrimination towards all candidates
2. High professional standards in teaching, including an ability and positive attitude towards teaching

Applications for this post should be submitted via email by **Monday 24 January 2022 at 12 noon** to:

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