

Assessment Criteria for Oral Examination (Advanced Methods in Molecular Research)

| Grade | | Viva Performance |
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| 80-100 | Distinction | <p>Outstanding answers to all questions. Accurate and perceptive answers demonstrating a complete and in-depth understanding of the methods described. Thorough knowledge of the limitations and broader applications of particular methods (where applicable). Answers remained focussed on questions with no substantial off-topic detail given.</p> <p>4 / 4 correct answers with no prompts required.</p> |
| 70-79 | Distinction | <p>Complete and accurate answers to all questions demonstrating a thorough understanding of the methods described. Awareness of the limitations and broader applications of particular methods (where applicable). Answers remained focussed on questions with no substantial off-topic detail given.</p> <p>4 / 4 correct answers with only minor prompts required.</p> |
| 60-69 | Merit | <p>Very good and mostly accurate answers to all questions demonstrating a solid understanding of the key aspects of the methods described. Some awareness of the limitations and broader applications of particular methods (where applicable). Answers may contain some off-topic detail.</p> <p>3 to 4 / 4 correct answers.</p> <p>Some minor prompting required.</p> |
| 50-59 | Pass | <p>Good explanations in general. Mostly accurate but may be lacking in detail or show confusion demonstrating some gaps in knowledge. Limited awareness of the limitations and broader applications of particular methods (where applicable). Answers may deviate to include off-topic detail.</p> <p>2 to 3 / 4 correct answers.</p> <p>Some prompting required.</p> |
| 30-49 | Fail | <p>Answers contain errors and lack detailed explanation. Poor and confused answers to questions demonstrating a lack of knowledge. Little or no awareness of the limitations and broader applications of particular methods (where applicable). Answers to include significant off-topic detail.</p> <p>1 to 2 / 4 correct answers</p> <p>Lots of prompting.</p> |
| 15-29 | Fail | <p>Inadequate answers to all questions showing only a little evidence of understanding, limitations and broader applications (where applicable), despite much prompting.</p> <p>0 to 1 / 4 correct answers</p> |
| 0-14 | Fail | <p>Inability to answer any question satisfactorily, despite much prompting.</p> <p>0 / 4 correct answers</p> |

Assessment Rubric for PG viva exam:

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| Question 1 (starter question) | Question number = |
| Answer correct? | YES / NO |
| <i>Prompts Required?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> (tick) | |
| Question 2 (intermediate question) | Question number = |
| Answer correct? | YES / NO |
| Explanation? | Poor / Good / Excellent / Outstanding |
| <i>Prompts Required?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> (tick) | |
| Question 3 (intermediate question) | Question number = |
| Answer correct? | YES / NO |
| Explanation? | Poor / Good / Excellent / Outstanding |
| <i>Prompts Required?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> (tick) | |
| Question 4 (advanced question) | Question number = |
| Answer correct? | YES / NO |
| Explanation? | Poor / Good / Excellent / Outstanding |
| Broader Context? | YES / NO |
| Limitations of method? | YES / NO |
| <i>Prompts Required?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> (tick) | |
| <i>Additional Comments:</i> | |
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| Overall Mark:% | |