

Message from the EDiR Scientific Director 04/16

In order to meet the increasing demand for the diploma—over 1,000 candidates by the end of 2015—new approaches to the oral part of the examination became necessary. In April 2015, the EDiR Scientific Board presented various alternatives and the creation of a computer-based examination platform was approved. The first pilot trial of this state-of-the-art approach was successfully carried out at ECR 2016.

These main changes were focused on:

- Keeping the same examination structure as in the former oral examination, while increasing the number of candidates offering more places in different countries
- Integrating a DICOM viewer that mimics a workstation used in daily clinical practice
- Improving and standardising the scoring methodology in order to homogenise the evaluation results

In light of the excellent outcome of this new Clinically Oriented Reasoning Evaluation (CORE), the examination structure will finally be composed as follows:

- First section: Multiple response questions (MRQs)
75 knowledge questions, 90 minutes
- Second section: Short cases (SCs)
24 questions, 90 minutes
- Third section: Clinically Oriented Reasoning Evaluation (CORE)
10 cases, 90 minutes

As EDiR Scientific Director, I would like to take this opportunity to encourage you to take the EDiR examination at the end of your training in order to become EDiR holders, a standard of excellence that will add even more value to your CV.



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