



Admission criteria for the EBSQ examination in Transplant Medicine

CRITERION 1

The candidate fulfils ONE of the following criteria:

PLEASE ATTACH ALL CERTIFICATES (TRANSLATED IN ENGLISH by a professional translator IF NOT IN ENGLISH ORIGINALLY) CONFIRMING THAT YOU BELONG TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES:

- Has completed the medical training of one specialty (**gastroenterology/hepatology or nephrology** with or without internal medicine training or pediatric medicine) and is a board-certified specialist in one of the above listed specialities in a country which is a full or associate **member of the UEMS (please see listed countries below) or a EU country** and has accomplished her/his training in transplantation medicine in EU or UEMS member countries.
- Has completed the medical training of one specialty (gastroenterology/hepatology or nephrology with or without training in internal medicine or pediatric medicine) and is a board-certified specialist in one of the above listed specialities in a country which is **not a full or associate member of the UEMS or a EU country** but has accomplished her/his transplant **medical training in EU or UEMS member countries**.
- Has a temporary or a permanent licence to be trained or practice medicine in **EU or UEMS full or associate member countries** and has accomplished her/his training in transplantation medicine **in EU or full (or associate) UEMS member countries**.
- Has completed the medical training of one specialty (gastroenterology/hepatology or nephrology with or without training in internal medicine or pediatric medicine) and is a board-certified specialist in one of the above listed specialities in a country which is not a member of the EU or the UEMS, **BUT has to be Resident in an EU or UEMS country where she/he has an active work permit and where she/he is actively and currently practicing transplantation medicine for at least 2 years** (independently where she/he has been trained).

CRITERION 2

The candidate must be able to communicate at a high professional level in the **English language**.

CRITERION 3

Cover letter of the applicant.

The candidate must have a **minimum of 2 years of training in transplantation medicine**. The candidate must **demonstrate the width of training** covering all the aspects of her/his specialty in transplantation medicine during the years of training. The training can be obtained in parts but the time period from the initiation of the first part of the training to the end of the last part of the training must be no longer than 5 years.

CRITERION 4

The candidate must provide ONE of the following:

- Logbook countersigned by the 1. Applicant and 2. Chief of the Department or Head of the Transplant Program of the division or the transplant section.

The Logbook must provide the following information:

- 1) Index of Procedures (date, hospital patient ID/ number [but no information that allows identification of the patient by name], specific procedure)
- 2) Indication on whether the candidate was the:
 - (A) Assistant
 - (B) Principal physician assisted by a senior transplant physician
 - (C) Principal physician assisted by a junior physician

The Logbook information should be provided in the following format:

Date / Procedure (A) (B) (C) / Hospital ID number

- **if no logbook can be provided due to legal restrictions in the candidate's country of practice then:** the candidate must provide a list/form with the procedures done yearly and specify if the procedure was done as A/B/C shown above. The list/form must be countersigned by the 1. Applicant and 2. the Chief of the Department or Head of the Transplant Program.

CRITERION 5

The candidate **MUST** have completed the indicative minimum **number of procedures** as shown below to be eligible for accreditation for the individual module. These are as follows:

- **Module: Kidney transplantation**
Assisted (A) / Performed (B+C)
Preoperative care of patients with renal disease 0 / 50

Perioperative care of renal transplant patients 0 / 20
Post-transplant care of renal transplant patients 0 / 50

Kidney biopsy 50/0

Interpretation of native and allograft biopsy results 0/50

- **Module Liver transplantation**

Assisted (A) / Performed (B+C)

Preoperative care of patients with liver disease 0 /50

Perioperative care of patients with liver disease 0 /20

Postoperative care of patients with liver disease 0 / 50

Ultrasound (including abdominal organs, lymph nodes) 200 /0
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Percutaneous liver biopsy 50/0

Interpretation of native and allograft biopsy results 0/50

Non-invasive assessment of allograft dysfunction and fibrosis 0 /50
(transient elastography, other imaging techniques, surrogate markers)

Upper gastrointestinal endoscopy 30 /20

Lower gastrointestinal endoscopy 30 /20

ERCP/PTC in LT recipients 20/ 0

CRITERION 6

Publications in the field of Transplantation or **poster/oral presentations** at International Congresses (reflecting her/his research activity in transplantation medicine (a number of at least 2). Please include supporting documents.

CRITERION 7

The candidate must have a **total of 20 credit points (CPs) based on the following system:**

- Attendance of transplant courses
(predominantly -but not exclusively- the ESOT educational courses) 10 CPs
- Participation at recognised international transplant congress
 - Attendance 5 CPs
 - Participation with first or last authorship (oral or poster/abstract) 8 CPs
- Participation at national transplant congress
 - Attendance 3 CPs
 - Participation with first or last authorship (oral or poster/abstract) 5 CPs
- Attendance of transplant symposia (CME accredited) 2 CPs

Attendance of a minimum of two national/international educational transplantation meetings (courses, congresses, symposia) is mandatory.

The following qualifications, although not mandatory, are considered of great importance and can count to the applicants favour:

- Higher degree (M.Sc., Ph.D.) in the field of transplantation medicine and/or nephrology or gastroenterology/hepatology
- Publication(s) in peer review journals in the field of transplantation (especially as first or last author)
- Visit of a transplant centre of at least one month (either than the one where the applicant was mainly trained).

CRITERION 8

LETTER BY THE DIRECTOR/HEAD OF THE TRANSPLANT PROGRAM WHERE SHE/HE OBTAINED TRAINING IN TRANSPLANTATION MEDICINE IN SUPPORT OF THE APPLICATION (OFFICIALY SIGNED)

In addition, it should be specified by the Chief of the Department or Head of the Transplant Program how many procedures (liver or kidney transplant) were done in that hospital in each specified year and how many patients (recipients on the waiting list and after transplant) are seen/followed up yearly in the respective hospital.

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