



**2018 AAAAI Allergy/Immunology In-Training Exam
FIT Instructions**

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**2018 EXAM
May 2 to May 9**

2018 In-Training Exam site:

<https://www.iqtesting.com/default.aspx/AAAAI>

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Minimum computer requirements:

- High Speed Internet Connection: (T1 Line, DSL, Cable Internet)
- PC with Windows operating system (Not Mac)
- Internet Browser: Internet Explorer 6.0 or greater

Technical Assistance

If you experience technical difficulties while taking the exam, please use the contact information below to obtain technical assistance. Please reference the AAAAI In-Training Examination when calling.

Schroeder Management Technologies

Monday-Friday 8:00AM-5:00PM ET

(727) 738-8727, 1-800-556-0484

Primary Contact: Stephen Schimsky, ext. 2106

Other inquiries:

Mari Durán, AAAAI Program Manager: mduran@aaaai.org; (414) 272-6071.

When is the 2018 In-Training Examination?

The 2018 In-Training Examination will be held during the week of May 2-9, 2018, at all institutions with an ACGME/RCPSC accredited allergy/immunology training program. The Program Director from each institution is responsible for setting a date and time for their Fellows-in-Training (FITs) to complete the exam and for providing an exam site that meets all specifications.

Proctoring of this exam is necessary to maintain the exam's integrity. Fellows-in-Training will not be permitted to copy exam questions and Program Directors will not be permitted to share this exam. Exam questions and answers, in addition to the results of each exam, will be kept strictly confidential. No exceptions will be made.

Due to the online format, the exam will only be offered during this week and will not be available otherwise. No exceptions will be made.

Who is eligible to take the exam?

All current FITs, and former FITs who have completed training within the past year and have **not** taken the ABAI examination, are eligible to participate. Some Program Directors require completion of this examination.

Is there a fee to take the exam?

There is no cost to the trainee; however, the training program will be invoiced after the exam at \$50.00 for each FIT who completed the exam.

What is the AAAAI Allergy/Immunology In-Training Examination?

For the past 27 years, the Program Directors Assembly of the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology (AAAAI) has been pleased to offer the Allergy/Immunology In-Training Examination to help allergy/immunology Program Directors strengthen their curricula and FITs track their training progress. The 200 question multiple-choice examination is offered in a Web-based format, which allows for the inclusion of full-color images, charts and tables, and ensures that Program Directors and exam participants receive rapid feedback.

The 2018 In-Training Examination was again written by the Program Directors Assembly In-Training Examination Committee with the leadership of Heather K. Lehman, MD FAAAAI, Chair; Caroline C. Horner, MD FAAAAI, Vice Chair; and Katherine E. Gundling, MD, Past Chair. The committee also includes 23 dedicated Program Directors and senior allergists.

This examination is in no way meant to be a specific examination to prepare candidates for the American Board of Allergy and Immunology (ABAI). This is not a precursor to the ABAI examination, but trainees may find it useful. The intent of the examination is to identify weak points in the individual's base of knowledge or in the training program educational process. The examination will have a **3-hour 15-minute** time limit. Due to the online format, the exam will only be offered during the week of

Wednesday, May 2– Wednesday, May 9, 2018, and will not be available otherwise for FITs. No exceptions will be made.

The exam and its scores are intended to be used as educational instruments, to assist FITs and their Program Directors in determining their progress in gaining skills and knowledge in the allergy/immunology discipline. Reviewing the item feedback may help FITs to identify areas in need of improvement. The composite scores from individual programs may assist the Program Directors in designing teaching interventions and in strengthening their curricula.

Content

The exam was restructured in 2005 to reflect the content of the ABAI examination and now utilizes the same basic content outline as the ABAI examination including 68% clinical science and 32% basic science questions. The In-Training Examination Committee has been charged with drafting the exam items. Items included are drafted according to well-established principles and techniques of examination construction and are subject to several committee reviews and revisions.

Proper use of examination scores

This examination and its scores are intended for use solely as educational instruments. Reviewing the item feedback may help identify particular areas of deficiencies on the part of candidates. The composite scores from individual training programs may help in designing teaching interventions.

Many important components of competent professional performance cannot be tested with this type of examination. These areas would include attitudes, interrelationships with patients, problem solving in the clinical setting, technical skills, teaching skills and ability to interact effectively with other members of the health care team. Skills in these areas are not assessed by this examination, but must be assessed by the Program Directors.

2018 Exam Survey

In order to determine the in-training exam experience, we are asking each FIT to complete a 6-question survey before exiting the exam. Results from this survey will help in preparation of future exams and our overall understanding of the exam's significance

Before taking the exam, check this security Function on your computer

1. In Internet Explorer, go to Tools, Internet Options, click the Security tab; make sure that in "Select a zone..." window that Internet is selected.
2. Click Custom Level and scroll down about half way to "Display mixed content" in the miscellaneous section.
3. Change it from Prompt to Enable.
4. Click OK, Yes, and OK. The change should take effect immediately.

If you have further security issues, please contact SMT security desk at 727.466.8121.

FIT Login Instructions

Using MS Internet Explorer Version 6.0 or higher, browse to:


<https://www.iqtesting.com/default.aspx/AAAAI>

The following screen will appear...

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the title 'EXAM'. The page has a blue header with 'ISO-QUALITY TESTING, INC.' on the left and 'EXAM' on the right. The main content area is white and contains a 'Welcome' message with a key icon. Below the message are two input fields: 'User ID' and 'Passcode', and a 'Submit' button. The footer of the page contains the text: '©Copyright 2002 to 2008 - All Rights Reserved. ISO Quality Testing, Inc. - An SMT Sister Company'.

1. The fellow should enter the User ID and Password and click the Submit Button.
2. After the fellow enters the User ID and Password, the welcome screen (shown below) will appear. Click the "Begin Tutorial" button to start the examination process.

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Exam: 2017 AAAAI In-Training Exam for Physicians

 American Academy of Allergy Asthma & Immunology

Welcome to the AAAAI 2018 In-Training Examination.

To begin, please read the following instructions carefully. When you are finished, please click "Begin Tutorial" to begin the 5-minute tutorial that will allow you to familiarize yourself with the exam site. The tutorial will automatically end after 5 minutes, and you will officially begin the exam.

There are 200 questions on the exam. You will have 3 hours and 15 minutes to complete the exam. The timer cannot be stopped once you have started the exam. Use the "Previous" and "Next" arrows, or the Navigation Grid to move between questions. Do not click the "Finish" tab at any time during the exam unless you are entirely finished with the exam. Clicking the "Finish" tab will end your exam.

Upon completion of the exam, your score will appear briefly on the screen. Please make a note of this score. Your Program Director will be provided with a more detailed score report at a later date.

You may now begin the tutorial.

3. A short 5-question tutorial will follow to familiarize the fellow on the computer based testing options. Once the fellow ends the tutorial, the actual exam will begin (5-minute tutorial is not included in the 3-hour and 15-minute exam time).

Please note, once you have logged in to take the exam, the timer cannot be restarted. FITs will not be able to log out of the exam and come back later to finish. You will be unable to log back in once you have logged out.

If you experience technical difficulties while taking the exam please use the contact information below to obtain technical assistance. Please reference the AAAAI In-Training Examination when calling.

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Outside of regular business hours, please contact Stephen Schimsky at (727) 741-2649.

Frequently Asked Questions for the 2018 In-Training Examination

Fellows-in-Training FAQs-

Q: How do I register for the exam?

A: FITs cannot register themselves for the exam. Please contact your Program Director to confirm that you are registered for the exam.

Q: When will I receive my login instructions for the exam?

A: After registration closes on April 21, 2018, all Program Directors will run a Registration Report that includes each fellow's login and password. Program Directors are responsible for securely distributing this information to their fellows.

Q: What are the minimum computer requirements?

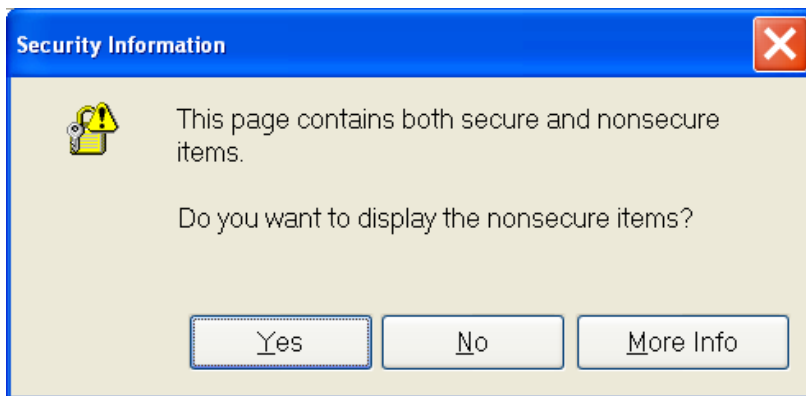
A:

- High Speed Internet Connection: (T1 Line, DSL, Cable Internet)
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Minimum computer requirements for the online registration and online exam have been provided in order to ensure that each site is able to register properly, reserve a space appropriate for administering the exam and to reduce technical difficulties during the administration of the exam.

Q: I am getting a security pop-up warning, what should I do?

A: If you experience the security warning depicted below during the test at your institution, please follow the instructions on this page.



1. In Internet Explorer, go to Tools, Internet Options, click the Security tab; make sure that in "Select a zone..." window that Internet is selected.
2. Click Custom Level and scroll down about half way to "Display mixed content" in the miscellaneous section.
3. Change it from Prompt to Enable.
4. Click OK, Yes, and OK. The change should take effect immediately.

It is advised that examinees check this security function before starting the exam.

If you have further security issues, please contact SMT security desk at 727.466.8121.

Q: Whom do I contact if I misplace my login for the exam?

A: Contact your Program Director.

Q: Whom should I contact if I have technical difficulties during the exam?

A: **Schroeder Management Technologies**

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Q: What day am I supposed to take the exam?

A: The exam site will be live from 12:00AM, May 2 through 11:59PM, May 9, 2018 – regardless of your time zone. Your Program Director will provide you with further information about where and when you should take the exam at your institution.

Q: Can I take the exam before or after the week of May 2-9, 2018?

A: No. The examination will be going live at 12:00AM on May 2, 2018. The exam site will disconnect automatically at 11:59PM on May 9, 2018. These times are consistent through all time zones. No exceptions can be made.

Q: How long is the exam?

A: You will have 3-hours and 15-minutes to complete the exam.

Q: Can I log out of the exam and come back later to finish my exam?

A: No. Once you log in you must complete the exam. The timer cannot be restarted and you will be unable to log back in once you have logged out.

Q: How can I study for the exam?

A: Prepare for the In-Training Exam just as you would for the ABAI exam. For more information about the American Board of Allergy and Immunology, visit www.abai.org.

Q: Who writes the exam?

A: The In-Training Exam Committee, subcommittee of the AAAAI Program Directors Assembly, writes the exam.

Q: When will I find out my exam score?

A: Your raw score will appear on the screen when you have completed your exam. A more detailed report will be available to your Program Director in the weeks following the exam.

OTHER INQUIRIES

For non-technical assistance or if you have questions that are not answered in the FAQ section please contact Mari Durán Program Manager, at the AAAAI executive office via email mduran@aaaai.org or phone, (414) 272-6071.