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## Examination Blueprints



# Recon MOC Study Plan

### Hip 24-56%

Anatomy and surgical approach 1-3%	3.00%	4.5
Biomechanics 1-3%	3.00%	4.5
Fractures, femoral neck (including stress) 1-3%	3.00%	4.5
Fractures (intertrochanteric, subtrochanteric) 0.5-1.5%	1.50%	2.25
Periprosthetic fracture (intraoperative and postoperative) 1-3%	3.00%	4.5
Nonoperative management (pain management, injections, assistive devices, physical therapy, weight loss) 0.5-1.5%	1.50%	2.25
Developmental hip dysplasia 0.5-1.5%	1.50%	2.25
Osteoarthritis 4-6%	6.00%	9
Inflammatory arthritis 0.5-1.5%	1.50%	2.25
Post-traumatic arthritis 0.5-1.5%	1.50%	2.25
Instability 2-4%	4.00%	6
Femoral acetabular impingement 0.5-1.5%	1.50%	2.25
Osteonecrosis 1-3%	3.00%	4.5
Complications (neurovascular, heterotopic ossification, leg length discrepancy, intraoperative, device failure, medical) 4-6%	6.00%	9

### Orthobullets Review Topics Included

**Pelvis Anatomy**

**Hip Anatomy**

**Hip Biomechanics**

**Adult Hip Recon Radiographic Evaluation**

**Hip Magnetic Resonance Imaging**

**THA Prosthesis Design**

**Anti-inflammatory Medications**

**Opiates & Analgesic Medications**

**Adult Dysplasia of the Hip**

**Developmental Dysplasia of the Hip (DDH)**

**Developmental Coxa Varus**

**Legg-Calve-Perthes Disease**

**Slipped Capital Femoral Epiphysis (SCFE)**

**Hip Arthrodesis**

**THA Templating**

**THA Implant Fixation**

**THA Approaches**

**THA Stability Techniques**

**THA Acetabular Screw Fixation**

**THA Revision**

**THA Postoperative Inpatient Management**

**Hip Resurfacing**

**Periacetabular Osteotomy**

**Hip Osteonecrosis**

**Idiopathic Transient Osteoporosis of the Hip (IOTH)**

Infection 2-4%	4.00%	6	<a href="#">Wear &amp; Osteolysis Basic Science</a> <a href="#">Catastrophic Wear &amp; PE Sterilization</a> <a href="#">THA Aseptic Loosening</a>
Painful arthroplasty (iliopsoas impingement, tendinopathy, referred pain) 1-3%	3.00%	4.5	<a href="#">THA Dislocation</a> <a href="#">THA Periprosthetic Fracture</a> <a href="#">THA Sciatic Nerve Palsy</a> <a href="#">THA Leg Length Discrepancy</a> <a href="#">THA Iliopsoas Impingement</a> <a href="#">THA Vascular Injury &amp; Bleeding</a> <a href="#">THA Trunnionosis</a> <a href="#">THA Pseudotumor (Metal Reactions)</a> <a href="#">THA Other Complications</a>
Aseptic loosening 1-3%	3.00%	4.5	
Osteolysis 1-3%	3.00%	4.5	
Adverse local tissue reaction 1-3%	3.00%	4.5	
<b>Knee 24-56%</b>		0	
Anatomy and surgical approach 1-3%	3.00%	4.5	<a href="#">Knee Biomechanics</a>
Biomechanics 1-3%	3.00%	4.5	<a href="#">Bipartite Patella</a> <a href="#">TKA Prosthesis Design</a> <a href="#">Material Properties</a> <a href="#">Orthopaedic Implants</a> <a href="#">Platelet-Rich Plasma</a>
Nonoperative management (pain management, injections, assistive devices, physical therapy, weight loss) 0.5-1.5%	1.50%	2.25	
Osteoarthritis (partial knee arthroplasty, osteotomy, total knee arthroplasty) 4-6%	6.00%	9	<a href="#">Knee Osteoarthritis</a>
Inflammatory arthritis 1-3%	3.00%	4.5	<a href="#">Infantile Blount's Disease (tibia vara)</a> <a href="#">Adolescent Blount's Disease</a> <a href="#">High Tibial Osteotomy</a> <a href="#">Unicompartmental Knee Replacement</a> <a href="#">Rheumatoid Arthritis</a> <a href="#">Gout</a> <a href="#">Pseudogout (CPPD)</a> <a href="#">Knee Arthrodesis</a>
Post-traumatic arthritis 1-3%	3.00%	4.5	
Instability 1-3%	3.00%	4.5	<a href="#">TKA Templating</a> <a href="#">TKA Approaches</a> <a href="#">TKA Axial Alignment</a> <a href="#">TKA Coronal Plane Balancing</a> <a href="#">TKA Sagittal Plane Balancing</a> <a href="#">TKA Patellofemoral Alignment</a> <a href="#">TKA in Patella Baja (Prior HTO)</a>

Osteonecrosis 0.5-1.5%	1.50%	2.25	
Complications (neurovascular, heterotopic ossification, compartment syndrome, intraoperative, device failure, medical, recurrent hemarthrosis)	6.00%	9	
Infection 2-4%	4.00%	6	<p><b>Prosthetic Joint Infection</b></p> <p><b>Prophylactic Antibiotics</b></p> <p><b>Antibiotic Classification &amp; Mechanism</b></p>
Painful arthroplasty (tendinopathy, referred pain, neuroma) 1-3%	3.00%	4.5	<p><b>TKA Revision</b></p>
Aseptic loosening 2-4%	4.00%	6	<p><b>TKA Periprosthetic Fracture</b></p> <p><b>TKA Aseptic Loosening</b></p> <p><b>TKA Instability</b></p>
Osteolysis 1-3%	3.00%	4.5	<p><b>TKA Extensor Mechanism Rupture</b></p> <p><b>TKA Patellar Maltracking</b></p> <p><b>TKA Patellar Prosthesis Loosening</b></p>
Periprosthetic fracture (intraoperative and postoperative) 1-3%	3.00%	4.5	<p><b>Patellar Clunk Syndrome</b></p>
Extensor mechanism complications 2-4%	4.00%	6	<p><b>TKA Stiffness</b></p>
Stiffness 1-3%	3.00%	4.5	<p><b>TKA Vascular Injury and Bleeding</b></p> <p><b>TKA Peroneal Nerve Palsy</b></p> <p><b>TKA Metal Hypersensitivity</b></p> <p><b>TKA Heterotopic Ossification</b></p> <p><b>TKA Other Complications</b></p> <p><b>TKA Wound Complications</b></p>
<b>Perioperative management 7-13%</b>		0	<p><b>Arthroplasty Preoperative Optimization</b></p>
Preoperative (infection and medical optimization, including nutrition, smoking cessation, glucose management, diabetes, weight loss, MRSA screening, multimodal pain, management, prehabilitation, inflammatory arthritis evaluation, and management)	6.00%	9	<p><b>TKA Preoperative Planning</b></p>
Intraoperative (anesthesia/blocks, blood loss prevention, infection prevention, multimodal pain management, wound management)	3.00%	4.5	<p><b>General and Regional Anesthesia in Orthopaedics</b></p>
			<p><b>TKA Outpatient Surgery</b></p>

Postoperative (multimodal pain management, rehabilitation, wound management, blood management, discharge disposition) 2-4%	4.00%	6	<b>THA Rehabilitation</b>
<b>General Principles 5-15%</b>		0	
Biostatistics/epidemiology 0.5-1.5%	1.50%	2.25	<b>Statistic Definitions</b>
Legal/ethical 0.5-1.5%	1.50%	2.25	<b>Level of Evidence</b> <b>Clinical Trial Design</b> <b>Outcome Measure Tools</b> <b>Occupational Health</b> <b>Legal and Ethics</b> <b>Clinical Billing</b>
Basic science (biology, biomaterials) 1-3%	3.00%	4.5	<b>Bone Cells</b> <b>Bone Signaling &amp; RANKL</b> <b>Fracture Healing</b> <b>Bone Growth Factors</b> <b>Bone Grafting</b> <b>Muscle Biology &amp; Physiology</b> <b>Articular Cartilage</b> <b>Lumbar Disc Herniation</b>
Lumbar spine (spondylosis, disc disease, and stenosis, diagnosis only) 0.5-1.5%	1.50%	2.25	<b>Lumbar Spinal Stenosis</b> <b>Degenerative Spondylolisthesis</b> <b>Adult Isthmic Spondylolisthesis</b> <b>Adult Spinal Deformity</b> <b>Sacroiliac Pain and Dysfunction</b> <b>Sacroiliitis</b> <b>Ankylosing Spondylitis</b> <b>DISH (Diffuse Idiopathic Skeletal Hyperostosis)</b>
Neoplasms (metastatic, primary bone neoplasm) 0.5-1.5%	1.50%	0	<b>Impending Fracture &amp; Prophylactic Fixation</b> <b>Biopsy Principles</b> <b>Osteoid Osteoma</b> <b>Intramedullary Osteosarcoma</b> <b>Enchondromas</b> <b>Osteochondroma &amp; Multiple Hereditary Exostosis</b> <b>Multiple Myeloma</b> <b>Fibrous Dysplasia</b> <b>Paget's Disease</b> <b>Heterotopic Ossification</b> <b>Giant Cell Tumor</b>

			<b>Ewing's Sarcoma</b>
			<b>Metastatic Disease of Extremity</b>
			<b>Soft Tissue Sarcoma</b>
			<b>Pigmented Villonodular Synovitis</b>
			<b>Synovial Chondromatosis</b>
			<b>Synovial Sarcoma</b>
			<b>Liposarcoma</b>
			<b>Thromboembolism (PE &amp; DVT) Prophylaxis</b>
Thromboembolic disease and bleeding disorders, (risk assessment, prophylaxis, and treatment) 1-3%	3.00%	4.5	<b>Deep Vein Thrombosis</b>
Neurologic (polio, Parkinsons, dementia, Charcot) 0.5-1.5%	1.50%	2.25	<b>Pulmonary Embolism</b>
Metabolic bone disease (osteoporosis, fragility fractures) 0.5-1.5%	1.50%	2.25	<b>Anticoagulation Medications</b>
	138.00%	207	<b>Operative Blood Loss &amp; Transfusion</b>
			<b>Fat Embolism Syndrome</b>
			<b>Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS)</b>
			<b>Osteopenia &amp; Osteoporosis</b>
			<b>Rickets</b>
			<b>Bisphosphonates</b>































































































































