

School of Postgraduate Medicine

## Recognition and Treatment of Skin Lesions

Code: 7LMS0172, Credits: 30, Level: 7

This module enables clinicians to develop & consolidate skills in recognition and management of a variety of benign & malignant skin lesions. Assessment allows critical analysis of diagnostic skills & practice & critically examines patient & practice issues associated with recognition and management of skin lesions. The course is taught by experienced clinicians together with a variety of external subject specialists. Proficiency is developed during a period of supervised clinical practice & competency is assessed using a structured OSCE & development of a practice portfolio.



**Dates:** (09.00- 17.00)  
3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Oct 2024 On Campus  
21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov 2024 – Online  
6<sup>th</sup> Dec 2024 – On Campus  
24<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025 – Assessment.

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**Cost:** £1,730 per 30 credit module for Home students commencing in academic year 2024/25. Modular fees remain at a fixed price for the duration of your studies based on year of commencement.

**Content:**

This module enables health professionals to develop and consolidate skills in recognition and management of a variety of skin lesions and associated conditions and is suitable for medical and non-medical practitioners in secondary care dermatology and primary care settings.

The emphasis of the course is to develop and consolidate good diagnostic skills and appropriate and timely management of skin lesions.

- Epidemiology of commonly occurring skin lesions
- Aetiology/histopathology of benign and malignant skin lesions
- Skin assessment
- Diagnostic skills and practical treatment options
- Skin lesion care pathways in the context of national guidance (NICE)
- Record keeping, photography and digital imaging.
- Medico-legal and other professional issues.

**Study Route:** This module is compulsory for the MSc Skin Lesion Management & will be of interest to health care professionals who want to develop & consolidate skills in recognition & diagnosis of skin lesions such as GPs, GP registrars, experienced dermatology and skin cancer nurse specialists, community, and cancer clinicians.

**Prerequisites:** Participants will need previous & ongoing access to large numbers of patients with skin lesions as a log diary of a minimum of 50 patients during the study period will form an essential part of the assessment. You will be required to identify a suitable practice supervisor who must be a registered practitioner with current knowledge/experience in diagnosis and management of benign & malignant skin lesions. These prerequisites form part of the module entry criteria so that students studying the MSc Clinical Dermatology who meet them may also access this module.

**Assessment:**

Skin Lesions Clinical Portfolio – 100%.  
Practical OSCE: Visual recognition of lesions - Pass/Fail