

Supplement 1

1. Birth year:
2. Sex:
 - Male
 - Female
 - Other
3. Marital status:
 - Single
 - Married/In a relationship
 - Divorced
4. Number of children:
5. Current employment:
 - Secondary health-care institution
 - Tertiary health-care institution
 - Private health-care sector
 - Other (please specify)
6. The highest level of completed clinical training/education:
 - Specialist in internal medicine
 - Sub-specialist in gastroenterology and hepatology
7. The highest level of completed academic training/education:
 - Basic medical studies
 - Magisterium
 - Doctoral studies
 - Post-doctoral studies
8. If you are a faculty member, what is your academic rank:
 - Clinical assistant
 - Assistant Professor
 - Associate Professor
 - Full Professor
 - I am not a faculty member

9. Are you currently holding a leadership position (head of department, head of service, director of the institution...)?

- Yes
- No

10. What is your narrow field of interest?

- Gastroenterology
- Hepatology
- Advanced endoscopy
- Inflammatory bowel diseases
- Other (please specify)

11. How much time on average do you spend doing endoscopic procedures (expressed as number of hours per week):

12. Do you perform diagnostic upper endoscopies independently in your regular clinical practice?

- Yes
- No

13. Do you perform colonoscopies independently in your regular clinical practice?

- Yes
- No

14. Do you perform interventional endoscopic procedures independently in your regular clinical practice (e.g. polypectomies, endoscopic hemostasis, band ligation, foreign bodies extraction...)?

- Yes
- No

15. Do you perform any of the advanced endoscopic procedures independently in your regular clinical practice (e.g. endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography, endoscopic ultrasound...)?

- Yes
- No

16. If your answer is yes, please specify the procedure:

17. At what point in your clinical training/education did you begin endoscopic training?

- Before the residency
- During the residency program

- After the residency program
- During the sub-specialization program
- After the sub-specialization program

18. At what point in your clinical training/education did you feel that you were able to perform upper endoscopy independently?

- Before the residency
- During the residency program
- After the residency program
- During the sub-specialization program
- After the sub-specialization program

19. At what point in your clinical training/education did you feel that you were able to perform a colonoscopy independently?

- Before the residency
- During the residency program
- After the residency program
- During the sub-specialization program
- After the sub-specialization program

20. If you perform upper endoscopy independently in your regular clinical practice, rate your ability to perform the procedure on a scale 1-10 (rating 1 implies that you consider yourself not skilled at all, while rating 10 implies that you consider that you perform the procedure skillfully and easily).

21. If you perform colonoscopy independently in your regular clinical practice, rate your ability to perform the procedure on a scale 1-10 (rating 1 implies that you consider yourself not skilled at all, while rating 10 implies that you consider that you perform the procedure skillfully and easily).

The next few questions refer to those who take part in endoscopic training of colleagues in training during their everyday clinical practice.

22. For how long have you been involved in training colleagues to perform endoscopic procedures (expressed as a number of years)?

23. On a scale 1-10, rate your ability to teach endoscopic procedures (rating 1 implies that you consider yourself not skilled at all, while rating 10 implies that you consider that you transfer knowledge very successfully and easily).

24. In your opinion, who do you think masters endoscopic procedures faster?

- Men
- Women
- I haven't noticed the difference between the sexes

25. In your opinion, who do you think shows more interest in mastering endoscopic skills, and in endoscopy in general?

- Men
- Women
- I haven't noticed the difference between the sexes