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ABMP Certification

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The results of the 1994 American Board of Medical Physics written examination are as follows:

	# of		
	Candidates	# Pass	% Pass
Part 1			
General Medical			
Physics	116	102	88
Part 2			
Diagnostic			
Imaging Physics	32	22	69
Radiation Oncology			
Physics	86	48	56
Medical Health			
Physics	3	3	100

Some questions come to mind:

- Why does the ABMP have such a higher pass rate than the ABHP? Easier exam? Better screening of candidates?
- In particular, why is there such a better performance on their Part I?
- Why are so few interested in Medical Health Physics Certification? Does this imply that the AAHP is meeting the needs of the medical HPs?

The ABMP application and screening process is much different than that of the ABHP. Perhaps HPs who also are members of the AAPM could provide us with their perspectives.

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