



# Medicine (A100)

## Admissions exercise November 2019

# How we reached our shortlisting decisions

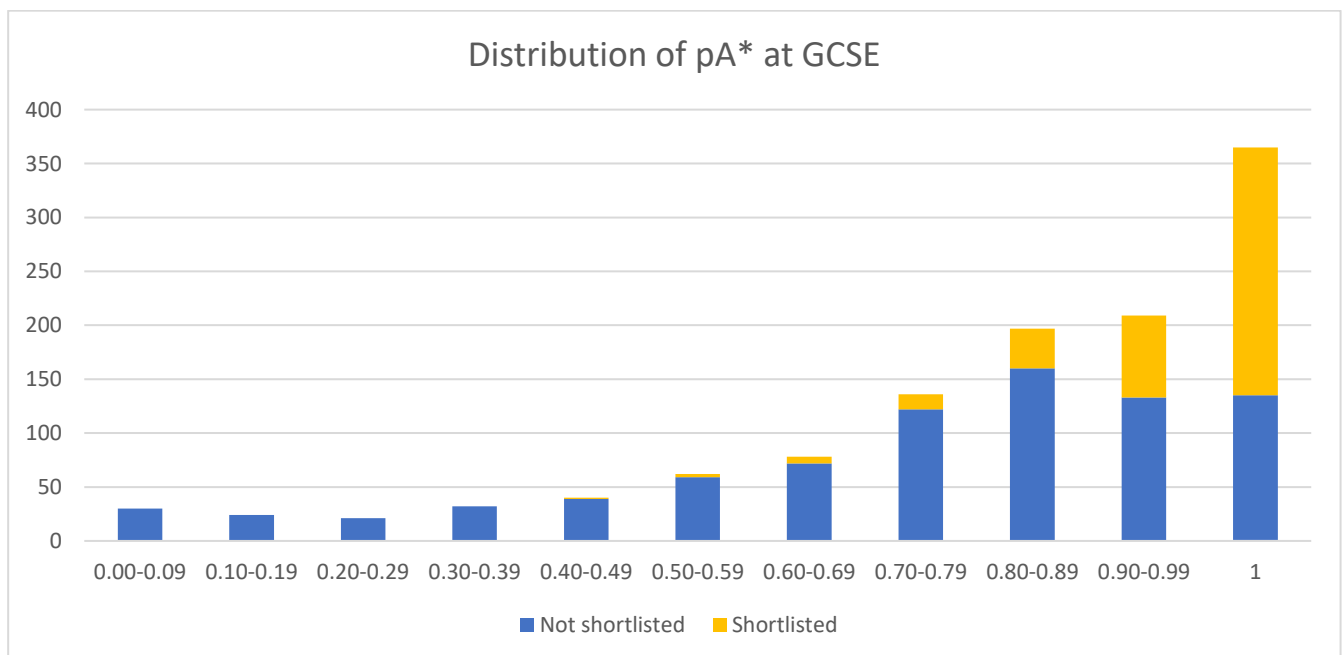
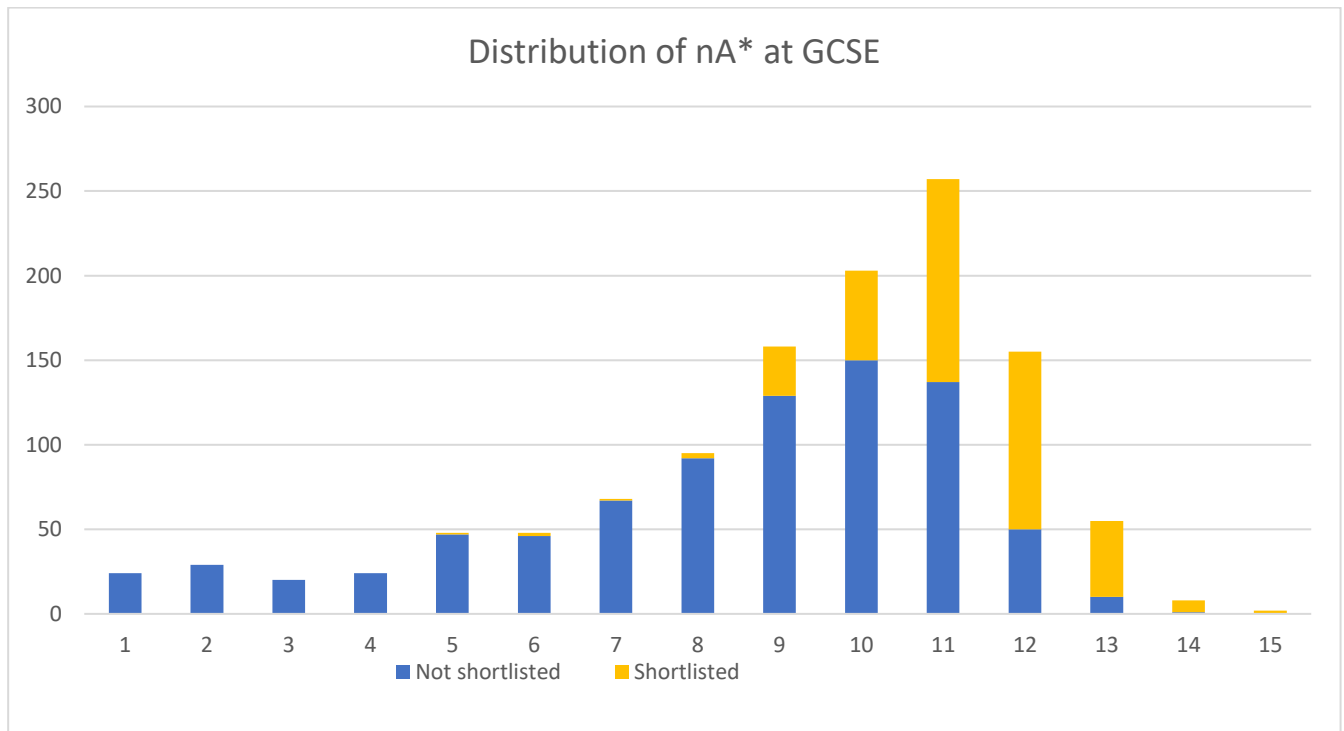
### Overview

- We received 1766 applications.
- Of these applicants, 1713 successfully registered for and sat the BMAT. The data below refer to this subset of applicants.
- 69% of applicants were studying A-levels.
- 69% of applicants had 6 or more GCSEs.
- Approximately 68% of applicants applied from a school in the UK.
- 20% of applicants resided outside the EU and 13% resided in the EU outside the UK.
- Shortlisting was based on BMAT performance and GCSE performance (where available).
- 425 applicants (25%) were invited to interview.
- 64% of applicants and 59% of those shortlisted were female.

## GCSE performance

The average number of GCSEs offered was 10.1 and average number of A\* was  $8 \pm 3.1$ . The mean proportion of A\* for all applicants (number of A\* at GCSE divided by total number of GCSEs,  $pA^*$ ) was  $0.78 \pm 0.24$ .

For shortlisted applicants, the mean number of A\* was  $10.2 \pm 1.3$  and  $pA^*$  was  $0.94 \pm 0.09$ .



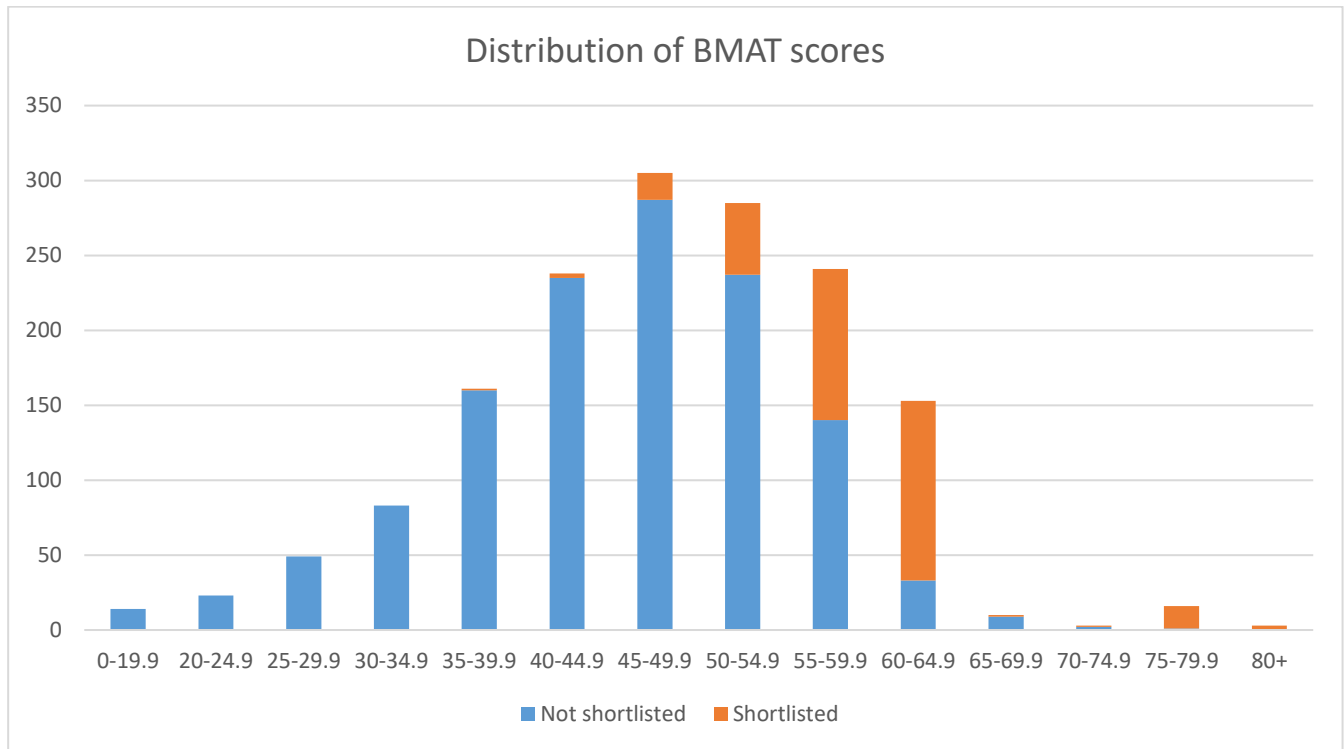
## BMAT performance

The average raw score for applicants on Section 1 was 4.7, on Section 2 was 4.3 and Section 3 was 3A.

An overall BMAT score (out of 100) was calculated using the weighting 40% Section 1, 40% Section 2 and 20% Section 3 (see <http://www.medsci.ox.ac.uk/study/medicine/pre-clinical/statistics>).

The mean overall BMAT score for all applicants was  $49.5 \pm 11.5$ .

For shortlisted applicants, the mean overall BMAT score was  $61.8 \pm 7.4$ .



## Shortlisting

Initial shortlisting was based on a combined BMAT and GCSE score (the latter only if available). GCSE performance data for schools in Great Britain and Northern Ireland were used to assess whether an applicant's grades at GCSE reflected an under- or over-performance within the context of the school at which they were taken.

All non-shortlisted applicants were then reviewed to identify any candidates whose applications gave us cause to believe that their GCSE and/or BMAT performance underestimated their academic potential. As a result of this process, 40 additional applicants were added to the shortlist.

## International fee status applicants

366 applicants identified as international for fee-paying purposes submitted complete applications. Following shortlisting, which is conducted in line with the quota imposed on the Medical School by the UK Government for the available international places, 32 of these applicants were shortlisted.