



Compilation dissertation i.e. thesis of integrated article format in the Faculty of Medicine

Official regulations (Study guide for doctoral training, chapter 4.7)

- No minimum amount of required articles/publications included in the thesis
- The original articles shall be published in peer reviewed series or journals
- In at least one of the articles, the doctoral candidate must be the sole first author
- Half of the articles must be published or accepted for publication
- Half of the total amount of articles may have been used in another thesis

What are the issues the Doctoral committee evaluates when deciding whether the thesis will be sent out for external review and whether it fulfills the requirements of a doctoral thesis

- Whether the thesis demonstrates doctoral candidate's capability to apply scientific research methods independently and critically and to produce new scientific knowledge of high scientific quality and importance
- That a doctoral candidate's own contribution in the articles is sufficient and demonstrable
- Since there are no quantitative requirements, the committee favours that articles in a thesis constitute a clear and coherent ensemble, rather than collection of all articles the candidate has published
- Quality and depth of thesis writing (review of literature, results, discussion)
- Whether the thesis demonstrates work load of 4 years of fulltime work which is target graduating time for a doctoral degree

Note: This summary does not replace the official instructions of the faculty presented in the Study guide for doctoral training (chapter 4.7). Supervisors and doctoral candidates are advised to acquaint themselves with the official instructions.