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## Dermatology [1]

Dermatologists are doctors who diagnose, investigate, treat and manage the conditions of children and adults with skin disease, as well as hair and nail complaints.

### Training and qualifications required

Training usually starts with a five year first degree in medicine. Then there's two years foundation doctor training, two years Core Training (CT1-CT2), followed by four years Specialists Training (ST3-ST6). This period of training will include your royal college exams. Length of training can vary according to your circumstances.

### Expected working hours and salary range

Doctors may work up to 48 hours a week. The working hours may sometimes extend beyond the normal working day to include early mornings, evenings and weekends, on-call possible. Pay scales (2017): Consultants earn between ?76,761 and ?103,490.

### Desirable skills and values

This role requires good visual observation and clinical diagnostic skills. You'll also need to be able to work quickly and efficiently and make effective decisions. Manual dexterity is important. You'll also have excellent communication skills and a commitment to sharing knowledge and skills.

### Prospects

There are 538 consultants in dermatology in England in 2016. Opportunities exist for research and teaching.

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