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Table S1. Survey responses to the reasons for ordering more investigations than necessary.

	Rank		
	Junior doctor (n=387)	Registrar (n=226)	Specialists (n=136)
Concerns of legal implication	74 (19.1%)	54 (23.9%)	34 (25.0%)
Need more information to reassure myself	52 (13.4%)	32 (14.2%)	21 (15.4%)
Patients' request	28 (7.2%)	23 (10.2%)	16 (11.8%)
Senior physician's request	98 (25.3%)	32 (14.2%)	10 (7.4%)
Precautions to be clinically safe	79 (20.4%)	60 (26.5%)	36 (26.5%)
Lack of time to take a thorough history and perform physical examination	22 (5.7%)	5 (2.2%)	4 (2.9%)
Lack of department/ national/ international guidelines	31 (8.0%)	19 (8.4%)	13 (9.6%)
Fee for service payment system	3 (0.8%)	1 (0.4%)	2 (1.5%)
	Medical (n=344)	Surgical (n=398)	
Concerns of legal implication	68 (19.8%)	95 (23.9%)	
Need more information to reassure myself	48 (14.0%)	58 (14.6%)	
Patients' request	41 (11.9%)	32 (8.0%)	
Senior physician's request	60 (17.4%)	80 (20.1%)	
Precautions to be clinically safe	72 (20.9%)	89 (22.3%)	
Lack of time to take a thorough history and perform physical examination	21 (6.1%)	12 (3.0%)	
Lack of department/ national/ international guidelines	30 (8.7%)	28 (7.0%)	
Fee for service payment system	4 (1.2%)	4 (1.0%)	
	Junior doctor (n=122)	Registrar (n=83)	Specialists (n=75)
Strongly agree	37 (30.3%)	24 (28.9%)	28 (37.3%)

Agree	73 (59.8%)	53 (63.8%)	37 (49.3%)
Neutral	10 (8.2%)	2 (2.4%)	7 (9.3%)
Disagree	1 (0.8%)	3 (3.6%)	2 (2.7%)
Strongly disagree	1 (0.8%)	1 (1.2%)	1 (1.3%)
	Medical (n=121)	Surgical (n=159)	
Strongly agree	42 (34.7%)	47 (29.6%)	
Agree	72 (59.5%)	91 (57.2%)	
Neutral	3 (2.5%)	16 (10.0%)	
Disagree	3 (2.5%)	3 (1.9%)	
Strongly disagree	1 (0.8%)	2 (1.3%)	
	Junior doctor (n=124)	Registrar (n=83)	Specialists (n=75)
Strongly agree	51 (41.1%)	22 (26.5%)	9 (12.0%)
Agree	69 (55.6%)	59 (71.1%)	33 (44.0%)
Neutral	2 (1.6%)	1 (1.2%)	29 (38.7%)
Disagree	0	0	4 (5.3%)
Strongly disagree	2 (1.6%)	1 (1.2%)	0
	Medical (n=121)	Surgical (n=159)	
Strongly agree	41 (33.9%)	41 (25.8%)	
Agree	71 (58.7%)	88 (55.3%)	
Neutral	8 (6.6%)	24 (15.1%)	
Disagree	1 (0.8%)	3 (1.9%)	
Strongly disagree	0	3 (1.9%)	
	Junior doctor (n=122)	Registrar (n=83)	Specialists (n=75)
Strongly agree	49 (40.2%)	24 (28.9%)	21 (28.0%)
Agree	70 (57.4%)	53 (63.8%)	45 (60.0%)
Neutral	2 (1.6%)	5 (6.0%)	8 (10.7%)
Disagree	1 (0.8%)	1 (1.2%)	1 (1.3%)

Strongly disagree	0	0	0
	Medical (n=121)		Surgical (n=159)
Strongly agree	38 (31.4%)		56 (35.2%)
Agree	76 (62.8%)		92 (57.9%)
Neutral	6 (5.0%)		9 (5.7%)
Disagree	1 (0.8%)		2 (1.3%)
Strongly disagree	0		0