



Royal College  
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ADVANCING SURGICAL CARE



**FRCS (Gen Surg) Speciality  
Focused Exam Preparation  
Course: Breast Surgery**



**Feedback - April 2019**

## FRCS (Gen Surg) Speciality Focused Exam Preparation Course: Breast Surgery

This one-day course was aimed at delegates who had declared a subspecialty interest in Breast Surgery at Section II of the Intercollegiate FRCS (Gen Surgery) Examination. It has been observed that generic FRCS preparation courses do not have the time to focus on each subspecialty, and as such, many delegates struggle with questions at an ST7 and ST8 level in their declared subspecialty. This course aimed to effectively address that pitfall and highlighted the key components and high-yield topics from the subspecialty of Breast Surgery within the JCST General Surgical curriculum.

### Course Information

<b>Course Date:</b>	<b>13<sup>th</sup> April 2019</b>
<b>Venue:</b>	<b>Hereford County Hospital, Hereford, England, UK</b>
<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>3 Delegates</b>
<b>Aimed at:</b>	<b>ST5 or above / SpR Year 3 or above in General Surgery; Trainees planning to sit the FRCS Exam (Section I or Section II) within 6 months.</b>
<b>Course Fee:</b>	<b>£150.00</b>



## Course Programme

0830 - 0850	Registration
0850 - 0900	Housekeeping and Introduction
0900 - 0930	Current Trends in Breast Oncoplasty
0930 - 1000	Controversies in Breast Cancer Management
1000 - 1030	Breast Reconstruction: What Do I Need to Know?

### 1030 - 1100 Refreshment Break

1100 - 1145	Role of Breast Radiology
1145 - 1215	Breast Oncology
1215 - 1245	Q&A Session

### 1245 - 1400 Lunch

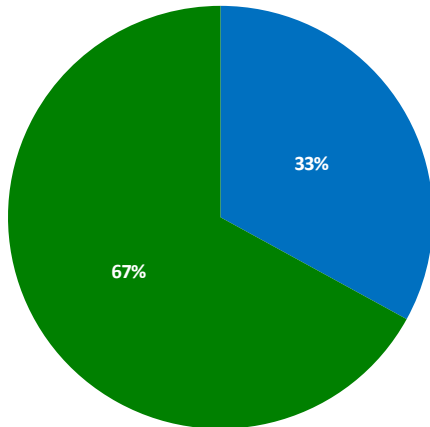
1400 - 1515	Clinical and Academic Viva (1)
1400 - 1500	Group 1 – Read Paper and Academic Viva Group 2 – Clinical Viva
1500 - 1515	Feedback to Candidates

### 1515 - 1530 Refreshment Break

1530 - 1645	Clinical and Academic Viva (2)
1530 - 1630	Group 1 – Clinical Viva Group 2 – Read Paper and Academic Viva
1630 - 1645	Feedback to Candidates
1645 - 1700	Feedback and End of Course

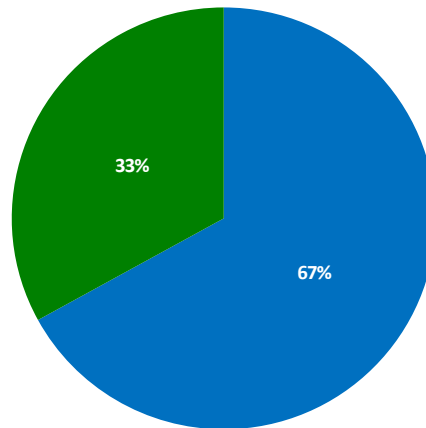
# Overall Course Feedback

How was the content of the course?



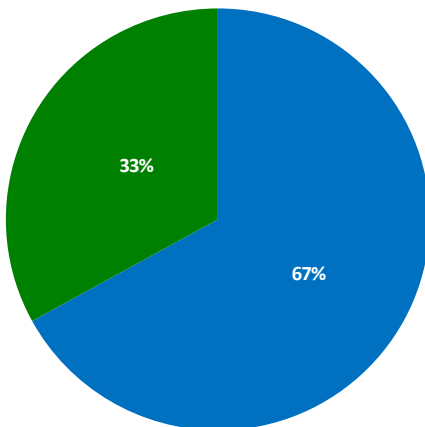
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How would you rate the general academic standard of the faculty?



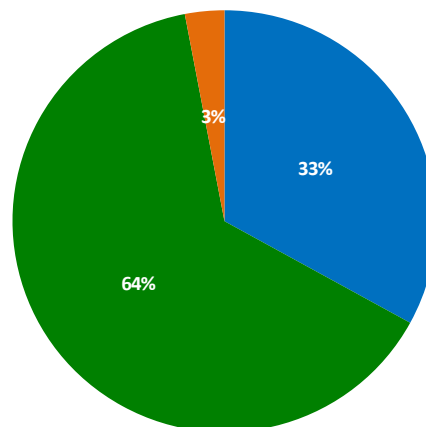
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How was the clarity of the talks?



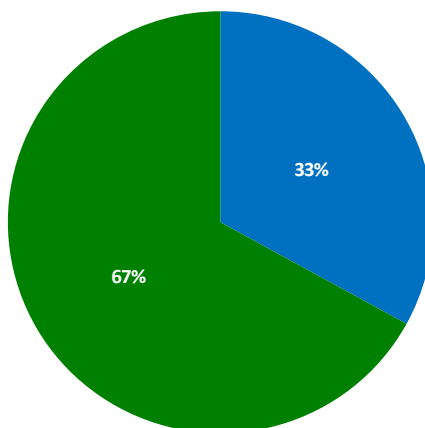
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Did the course meet your objectives?



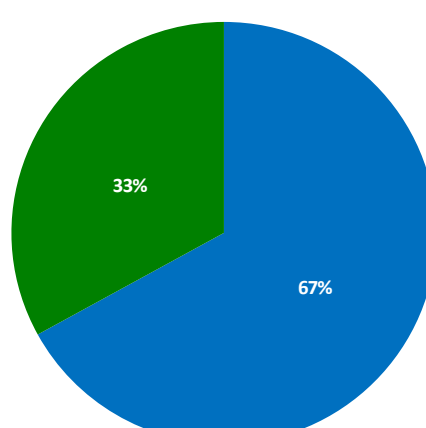
■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ A little ■ Not at all

Current Trends in Breast Oncoplasty



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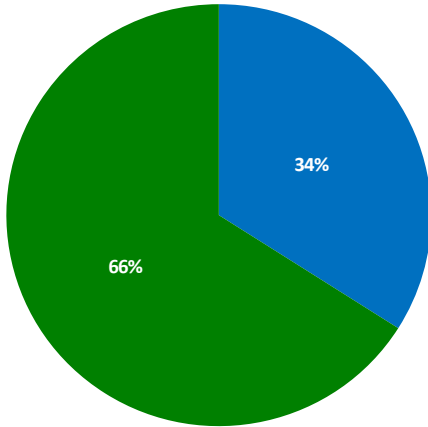
Controversies in Breast Cancer Management



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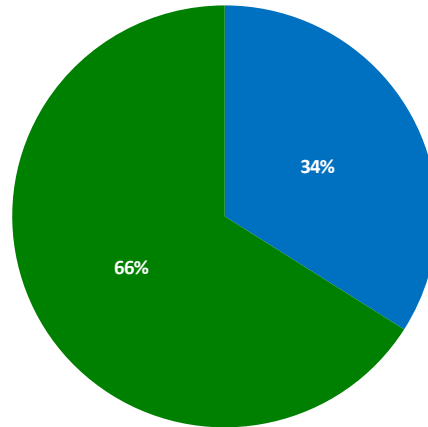
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### Breast Reconstruction: What Do I Need to Know?



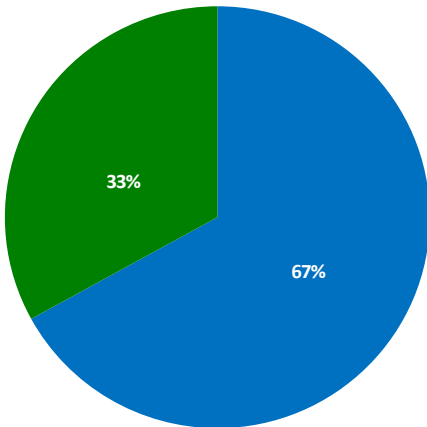
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### Role of Breast Radiology



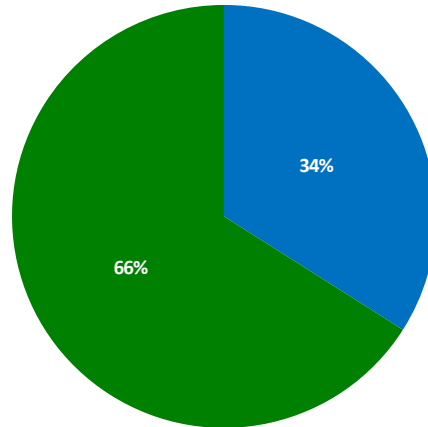
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### Breast Oncology



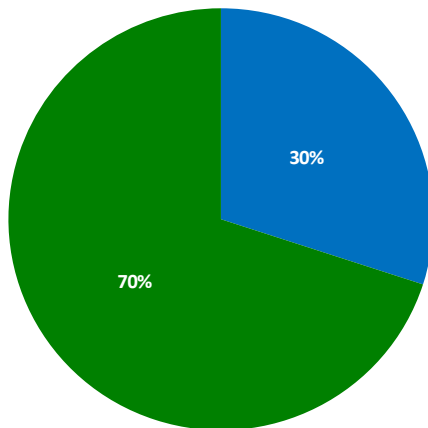
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### Academic Viva



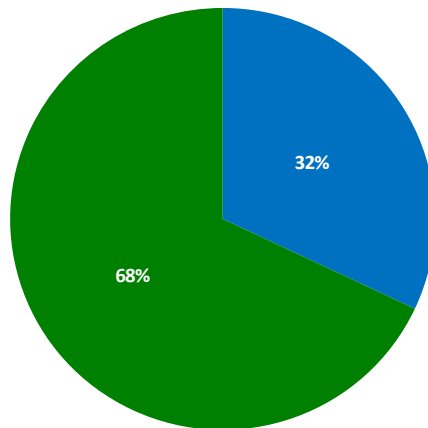
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### Clinical Viva



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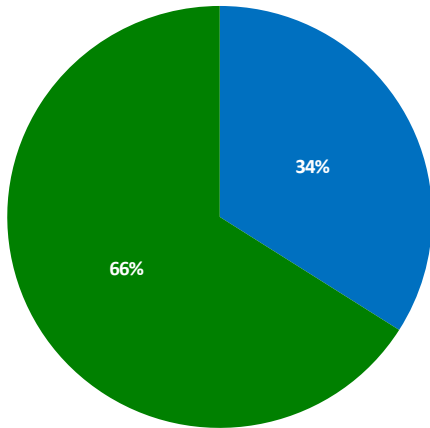
### Radiology Viva



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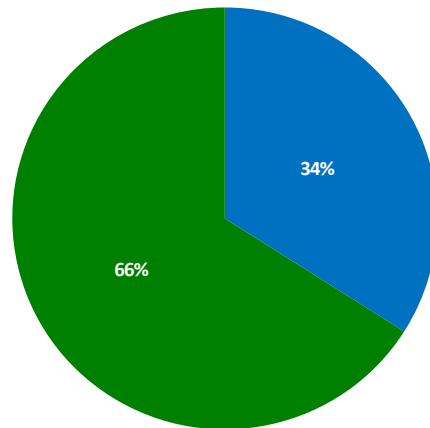
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How were the facilities and venue?



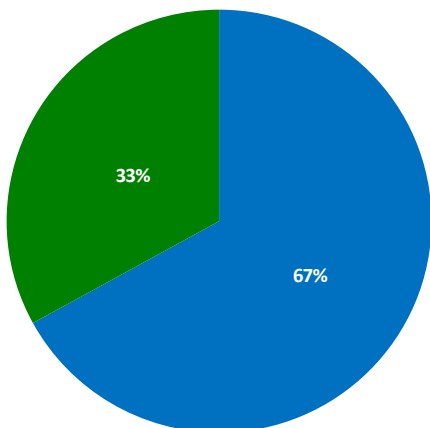
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How were the refreshments and lunch?



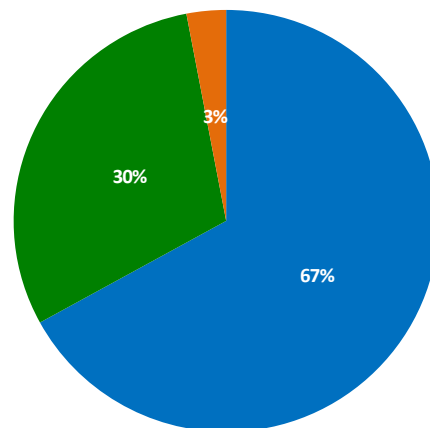
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How was the general friendliness of the faculty and organisers?



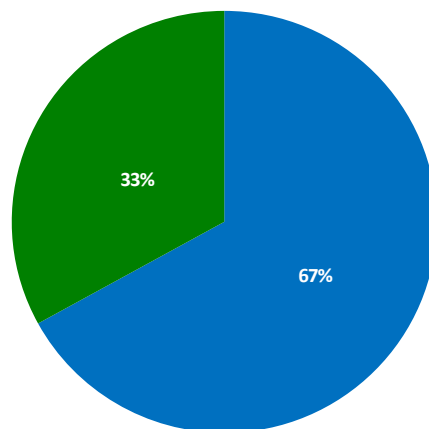
■ Very friendly ■ Friendly ■ Neutral ■ Not very friendly ■ Can't comment

Would you recommend this course to a friend?



■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ Unlikely ■ Not at all

Do you think that this course provided good value for money?



■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ Unlikely ■ Not at all

## Individual Comments

I found it to be very useful.

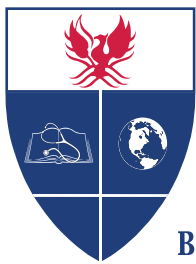
**MM**

*Ulster Hospital, Dundonald, United Kingdom*

It was very good for exam practice. Thank you.

**TS**

*Warwick Hospital, Warwick, United Kingdom*



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