



**Manchester Clinical & Procedural Skills  
for MRCS OSCE Course**

**Feedback - March 2016**

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This intensive, one-day revision course covered the clinical and procedural skills components of the MRCS Part B exam.

In the Intercollegiate MRCS OSCE Examination, the 'Clinical and Procedural Skills' component makes up approximately 15-20% of the total mark. This element of the exam tests the candidate's capability to apply basic science and clinical knowledge in a practical context. In addition, it examines the candidate's ability to perform practical tasks which are related to surgery and which require: manual dexterity; hand-eye coordination; and visual and spatial awareness. It also tests aspects including capacity, consent, theatre safety, the WHO checklist and general principles of safe surgery.

This intensive, practical skills course took candidates through every procedure that has been examined in recent years. The candidates were given the opportunity to practice in realistic exam conditions and were provided with structured feedback to further their development. Moreover, following the event the candidates were presented with their scores and were able to discuss specific practical aspects with both examiners and recent successful candidates.



### Course Information

<b>Course date:</b>	<b>31<sup>st</sup> March 2016</b>
<b>Venue:</b>	<b>Christie Hospital, Manchester</b>
<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>13 Delegates</b>
<b>Aimed at:</b>	<b>Delegates looking to take their membership to the Royal College of Surgeons Part B exam.</b>
<b>Course fee:</b>	<b>£185.00</b>



Surgical trainees can apply to be sponsored by ASiT to receive a bursary to attend this course.

### Highlights:

- Practical course with a high tutor-to-participant ratio.
- Hands-on sessions with scenarios simulating the real exam, as well as individual feedback and scores.

### Topics included:

- Surgical scrubbing.
- Safe use of local anaesthesia.
- Suturing techniques.
- Knot tying at depth.
- Surgical excision of a cutaneous lesion.
- Urinary catheterisation.
- Consent and capacity.
- Cannulation and venepuncture of high-risk patients.
- Epidural technique.
- Lumbar puncture.
- Organising a theatre list.
- Appropriate radiology requesting.
- Discharge letter.
- Transfer documentation.
- Performing an FNA.
- Insertion of a chest drain.

## Course Programme

<b>0830 - 0900</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>0900 - 0910</b>	<b>Exam Structure and Preparation Lecture</b>
<b>0915 - 1055</b>	<b>Rotation 1</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Cannulation of a High Risk Patient</li><li>2. Male Catheterisation</li><li>3. Simple Suturing</li><li>4. Arterial Blood Gas and Local Anaesthetics</li><li>5. Excision of Lesion and Diathermy</li></ol>

**1055 - 1115** **Break**

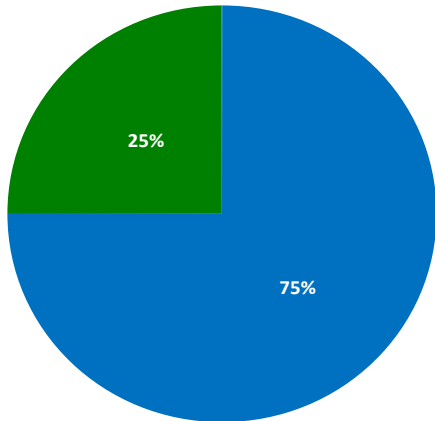
<b>1115 - 1310</b>	<b>Rotation 2</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Lumbar Puncture</li><li>2. Chest Drain</li><li>3. Debridement of a Wound</li><li>4. Knot Tying/ Advanced Suturing</li><li>5. Fine Needle Aspiration Cytology</li></ol>
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**1310 - 1345** **Lunch**

<b>1345</b>	<b>Mock Exams, Lectures and Scrubbing</b>
<b>1345</b>	<b>Groups A&amp;B: Mock Exam; Group C&amp;D: Lectures and Scrubbing</b>
<b>1530</b>	<b>Groups C&amp;D: Lectures and Scrubbing ; Group A&amp;B: Mock Exam</b>
<b>1730</b>	<b>Feedback Session and Closure</b>

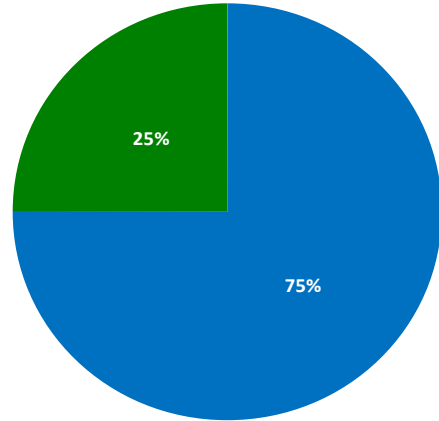
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How was the clarity of the demonstrations?



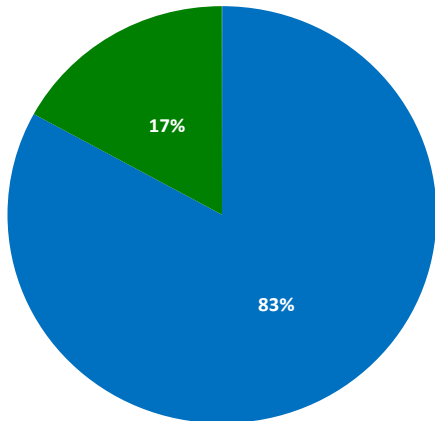
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How would you rate the general academic standard of the demonstrators?



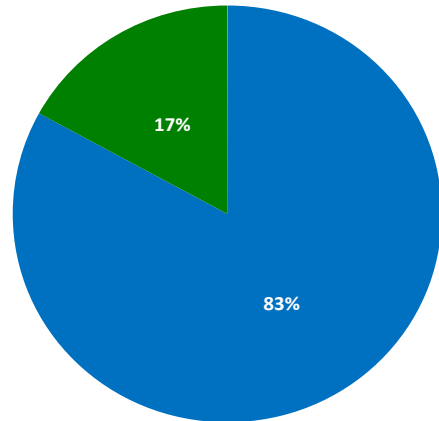
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How do you rate the relevance of the course to your exam?



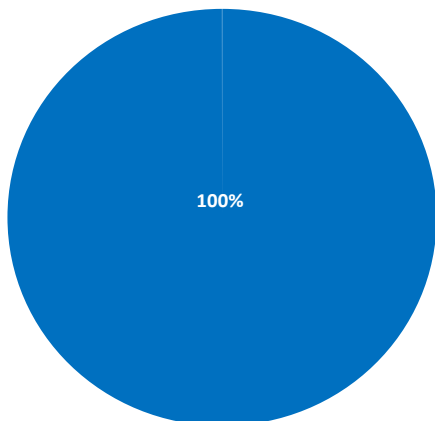
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Did you get sufficient chance to practice the stations?



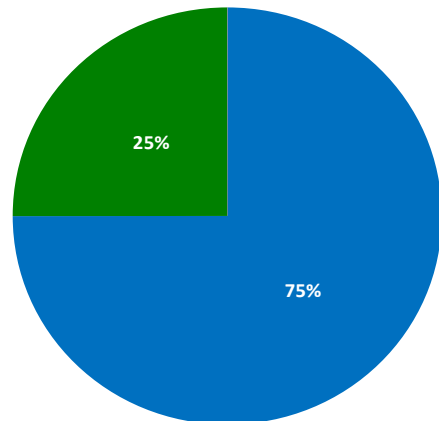
■ Yes, always ■ Yes, mostly ■ Neutral ■ Not much ■ Not at all

How useful was the mock OSCE?



■ Very useful ■ Useful ■ Neutral ■ Limited Use ■ Useless

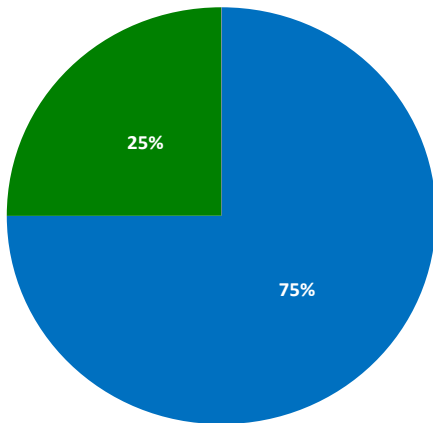
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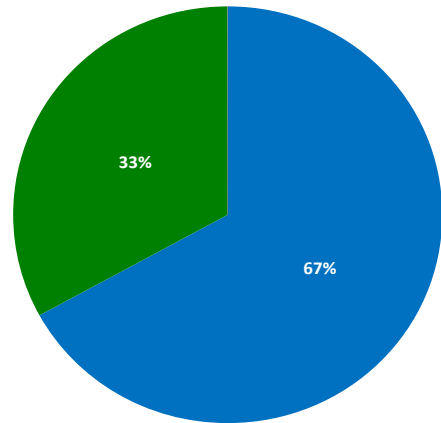
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### Suturing



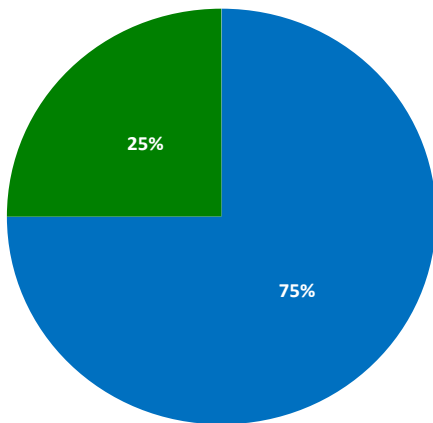
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### Male Urinary Catheterisation



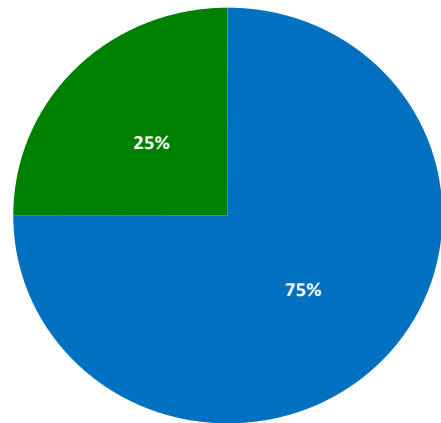
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### Surgical Excision of a Naevus



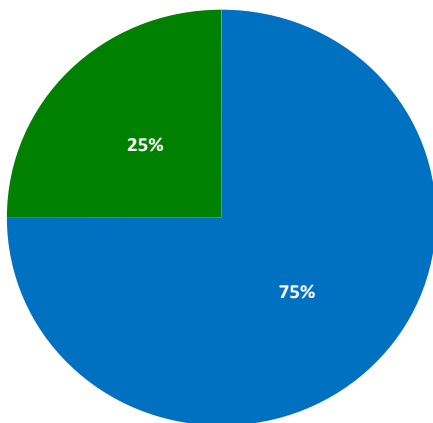
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### Venepuncture/Cannulation



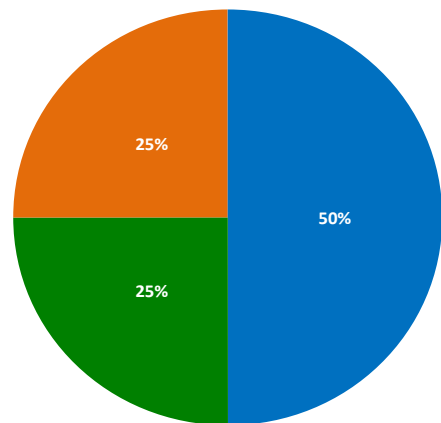
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### Fine Needle Aspiration Cytology



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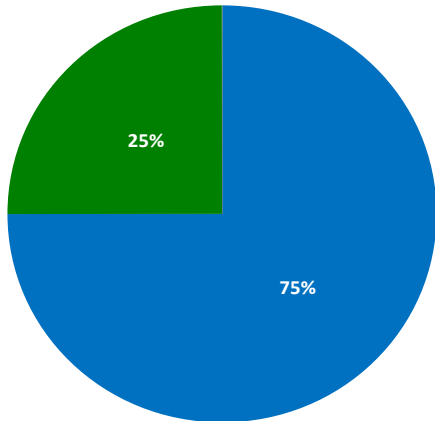
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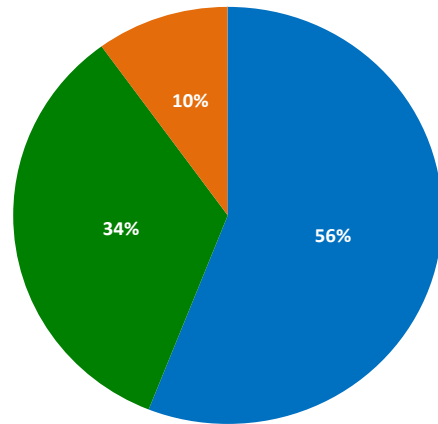
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### Arterial Blood Sampling & ABG Interpretation



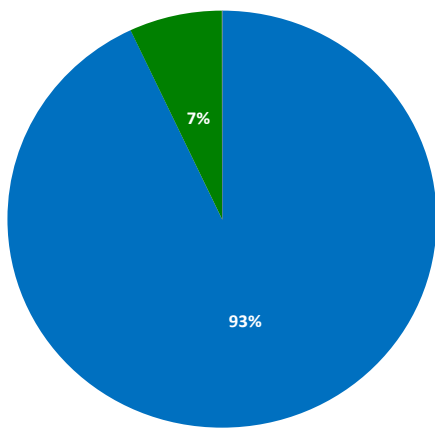
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### Debridement of Wound



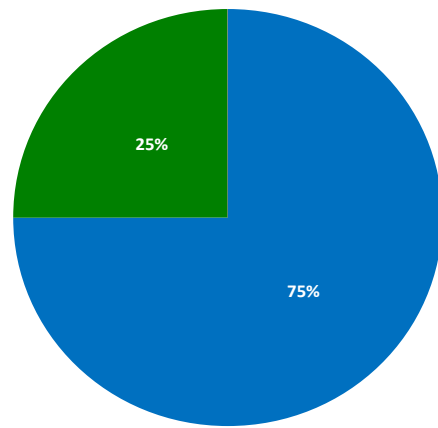
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### Insertion of Chest Drain



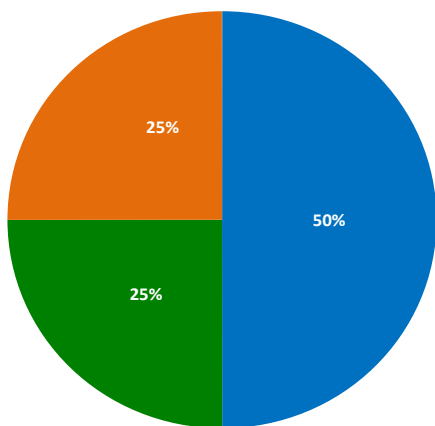
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### Scrubbing



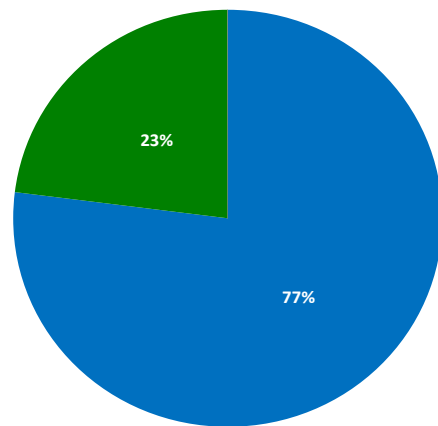
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### Gowning and Gloving



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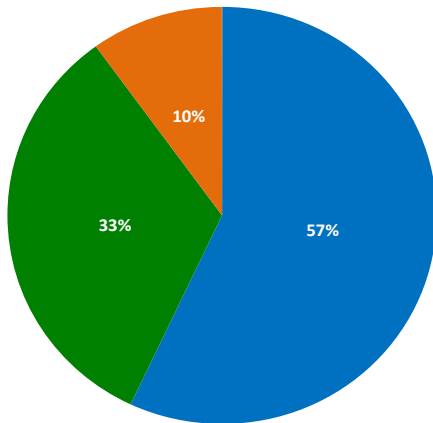
### Diathermy



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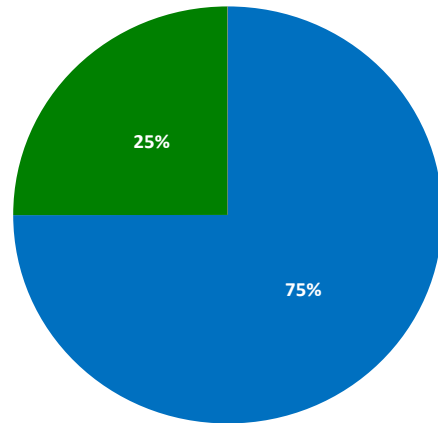
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Wound Healing and Reconstruction



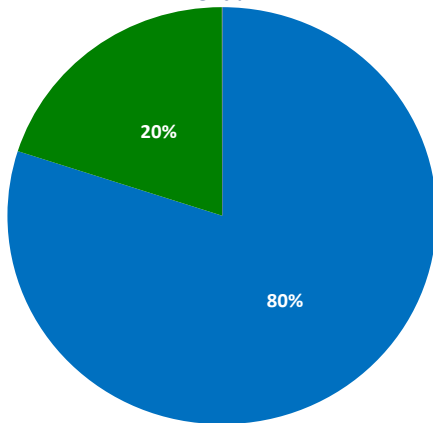
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Local Anaesthesia



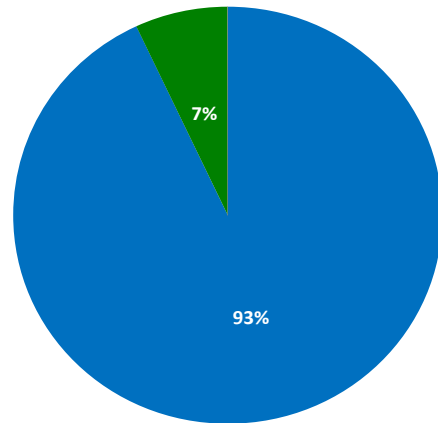
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Would you recommend this course to a friend?



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

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



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

## Individual Comments

Well organised.

**AJ**  
*University College London, UK*

Good organisation and helpful tutors who knew the tricks of the exam.

**HM**  
*Cairo University Hospital, Egypt*

Very good as it gave you an overview of how to approach this component of MRCS.

**RM**  
*Keynes General Hospital, Milton Keynes, UK*

Excellent.

**BA**  
*Mayo Hospital, Lahore, Pakistan*





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