



THE ROYAL COLLEGE  
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## THE 12<sup>th</sup> EDINBURGH MRCS OSCE PREPARATION COURSE (MANCHESTER)

Feedback - September 2017



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This course was designed to help improve a candidates' performance in the MRCS Part B examination via practice sessions with 'mock' MRCS OSCE stations and discussions with examiners on the pitfalls and problems commonly encountered during the examination process.

On completion of this course, participants were able to:

- Describe the knowledge and skills required to pass the MRCS OSCE.
- Describe the structure of a typical MRCS OSCE.
- Describe the common areas of failure associated with the examination.
- Identify their strengths & weaknesses relating to skills & knowledge covered by the MRCS OSCE.
- Utilise effective examination techniques for an OSCE.

## Course Information

**Course date:** 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> September 2017

**Venue:** Education Centre  
The Christie Hospital  
Manchester, UK

**Attendance:** 24 Delegates

**Aimed at:** Delegates looking to take their membership to the Royal College of Surgeons Part B exam.

**Course fee:** £450.00

**Discount to course fee for eligible RCSEd Members, please see website for details.**

**Run in partnership with:**



The Christie   
School of Oncology



# Course Programme

## Day 1

|      |  |                          |
|------|--|--------------------------|
| 0800 | Welcome, registration and refreshments             |                          |
| 0830 | Format of the MRCS and marking scheme              | Mr Chelliah Selvasekar   |
| 0845 | How to improve your anatomy                        | Professor David Sinclair |
| 0910 | How to improve your communication skills           | Mr Thomas Redfern        |
| 0925 | Discussion and OSCE preparation                    | Mr Thomas Redfern        |
| 0940 | How to improve your clinical and procedural skills | Mr Ravi Sharma           |

### 1000 Refreshment break

- 1020 OSCE Examination Stations**
- Group 1: Communication 1
  - Group 2: Communication 2
  - Group 3: Communication 3
  - Group 4: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 1
  - Group 5: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 2
  - Group 6: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 3

- 1055 OSCE Examination Stations**
- Group 2: Communication 2
  - Group 3: Communication 3
  - Group 4: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 1
  - Group 5: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 2
  - Group 6: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 3
  - Group 1: Communication 1

## Course Programme

### 1130 OSCE Examination Stations

- Group 3: Communication 3
- Group 4: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 1
- Group 5: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 2
- Group 6: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 3
- Group 1: Communication 1
- Group 2: Communication 2

### 1205 OSCE Examination Stations

- Group 4: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 1
- Group 5: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 2
- Group 6: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 3
- Group 1: Communication 1
- Group 2: Communication 2
- Group 3: Communication 3

1240

Lunch

### 1320 OSCE Examination Stations

- Group 5: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 2
- Group 6: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 3
- Group 1: Communication 1
- Group 2: Communication 2
- Group 3: Communication 3
- Group 4: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 1

### 1355 OSCE Examination Stations

- Group 6: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 3
- Group 1: Communication 1
- Group 2: Communication 2
- Group 3: Communication 3
- Group 4: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 1
- Group 5: Anatomy/Surgical Pathology 2

## Course Programme

**1430** **Comfort break**

**1435** **Anatomy & communication:**

Group 1: Communication skills demonstration – Mrs Margaret Butler

Group 2: Surface Anatomy – Mr Stuart Enoch

Group 3: Osteology – Mr Thomas Redfern

Group 4: Anatomy with models - Professor David Sinclair

**1535** **Coffee break**

**1555** **Anatomy & communication:**

Group 1: Communication skills demonstration – Mrs Margaret Butler

Group 2: Surface Anatomy – Mr Stuart Enoch

Group 3: Osteology – Mr Thomas Redfern

Group 4: Anatomy with models - Professor David Sinclair

**1655** **Thyroid and Parathyroid (clinical examination and applied surgery) – Mr PK Datta**

**1755** **Close of Day 1**

### Day 2

**0750** **Arrival**

**0800** **Critical care for surgeons**

Dr Vidya Kasipandian

**0900** **OSCE Examination Stations**

- Group 1: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 1
- Group 2: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 2
- Group 3: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 3
- Group 4: Clinical/Procedural Skills 1
- Group 5: Clinical/Procedural Skills 2
- Group 6: Clinical/Procedural Skills 3

## Course Programme

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### **OSCE Examination Stations**

- Group 2: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 2
- Group 3: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 3
- Group 4: Clinical/Procedural Skills 1
- Group 5: Clinical/Procedural Skills 2
- Group 6: Clinical/Procedural Skills 3
- Group 1: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 1

**1010**

### **OSCE Examination Stations**

- Group 3: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 3
- Group 4: Clinical/Procedural Skills 1
- Group 5: Clinical/Procedural Skills 2
- Group 6: Clinical/Procedural Skills 3
- Group 1: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 1
- Group 2: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 2

**1045**

**Refreshment break**

**1105**

### **OSCE Examination Stations**

- Group 4: Clinical/Procedural Skills 1
- Group 5: Clinical/Procedural Skills 2
- Group 6: Clinical/Procedural Skills 3
- Group 1: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 1
- Group 2: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 2
- Group 3: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 3

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### **OSCE Examination Stations**

- Group 5: Clinical/Procedural Skills 2
- Group 6: Clinical/Procedural Skills 3
- Group 1: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 1
- Group 2: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 2
- Group 3: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 3
- Group 4: Clinical/Procedural Skills 1

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- 1215 OSCE Examination Stations**
- Group 6: Clinical/Procedural Skills 3
  - Group 1: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 1
  - Group 2: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 2
  - Group 3: Applied Surgery/Critical Care 3
  - Group 4: Clinical/Procedural Skills 1
  - Group 5: Clinical/Procedural Skills 2

**1250 Lunch**

- 1335 Tips for OSCE's – the trainee perspective** Miss Jenny Clark
- 1400 Radiology for MRCS** Dr Rohit Kochhar
- 1500 Applied Surgery/Critical Care** Mr PK Datta
- 1630 Discussion and feedback**
- 1645 Close**

## Faculty List

**Mr Chelliah Selvasekar, MD, FRCS (Ed), FRCS (Gen), PG Cert (Med Ed), P.G.Dip**

Course Convenor

Consultant Colorectal and Laparoscopic Surgeon

The Christie NHS Foundation Trust, Manchester

Honorary Senior Lecturer, University of Manchester

**Prof David Sinclair**

Professor of Anatomy

Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh

**Mr Thomas Redfern**

Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon

Leighton Hospital

**Mr Stuart Enoch**

Specialist Registrar Plastic Surgery

Doctors Academy

**Dr Rohit Kochhar**

Consultant in Radiology

The Christie

**Dr Vidya Kasipandian**

Clinical Lead in Critical Care & Consultant in Anaesthesia

The Christie

**Mr Thomas Redfern**

Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon

Leighton Hospital

**Mr Ravi Sharma**

Paediatric Otolaryngologist, Head & Neck Surgeon and Foundation Trainees Programme

Director (Mersey Deanery), Honorary Clinical Lecturer (University of Liverpool)

Alder Hey Children's NHS FoundationTrust

**Mrs Margaret Butler**

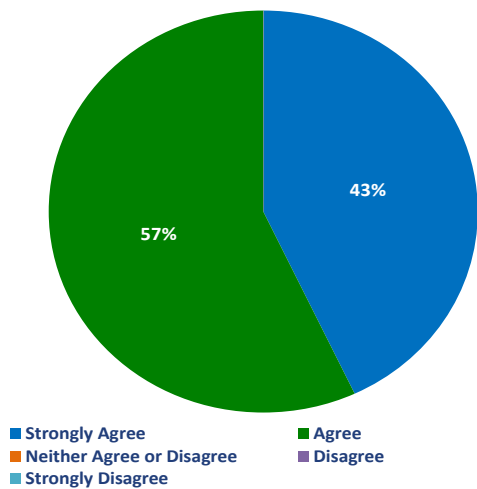
Clinical Nurse Specialist

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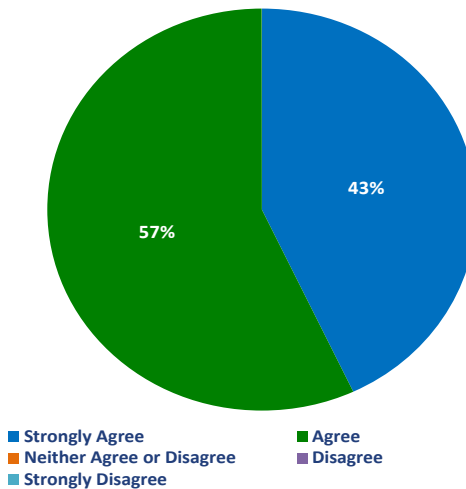


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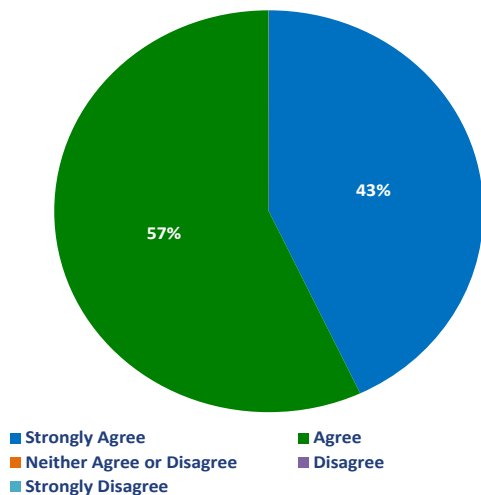
The knowledge and skills required to pass the MRCS OSCE



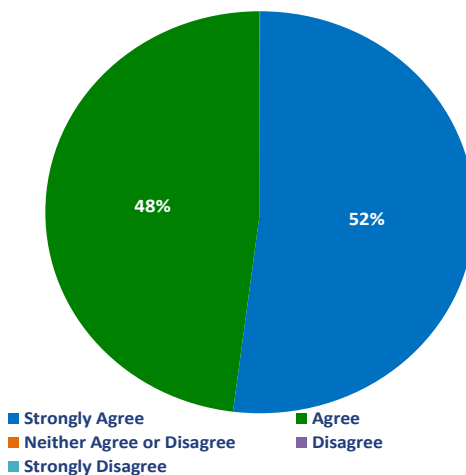
The structure of a typical MRCS OSCE



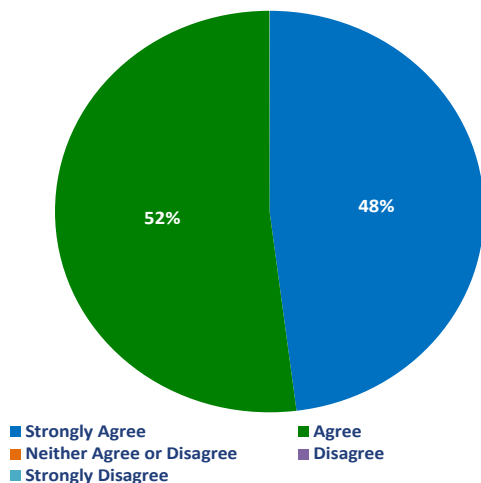
The common areas of failure associated with the examination



My own strengths and weaknesses relating to skills and knowledge covered by the MRCS OSCE

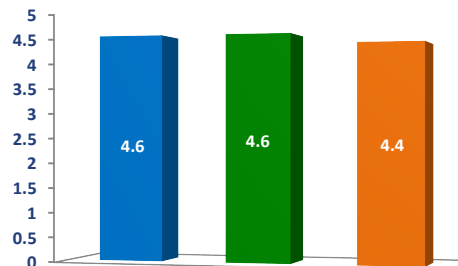


How to utilise effective examination techniques for an OSCE



Format of the MRCS and Marking Scheme

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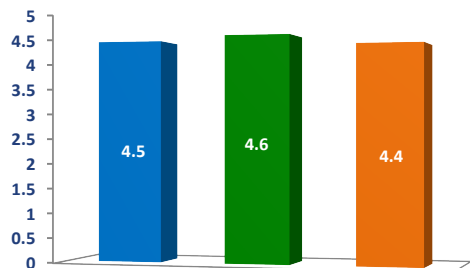


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## How to improve your Anatomy

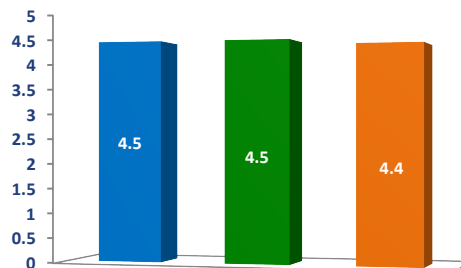
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## Introduction to Communication Skills

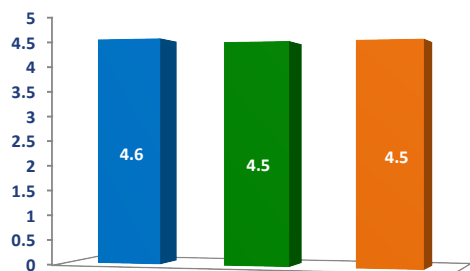
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## Discussion and OSCE Preparation

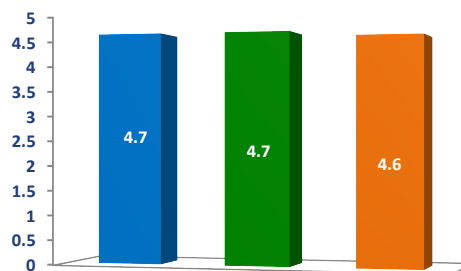
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## Basic Needs in Critical Care for Surgeons

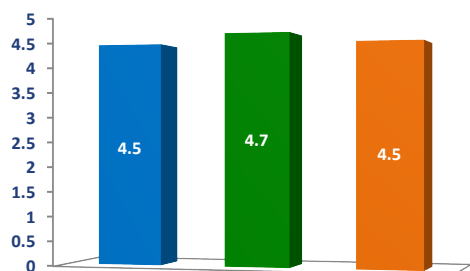
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## Mock Anatomy Exam Models

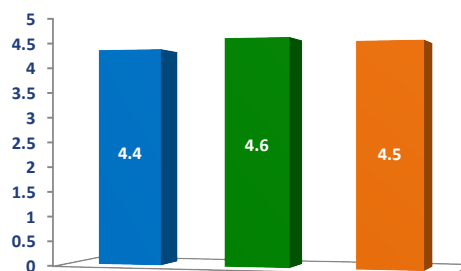
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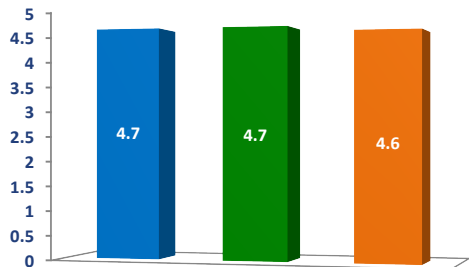


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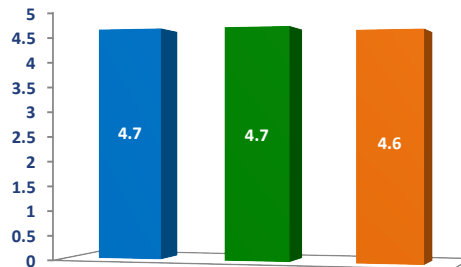
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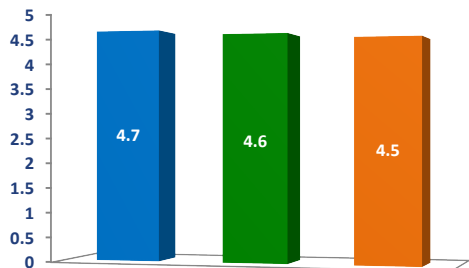
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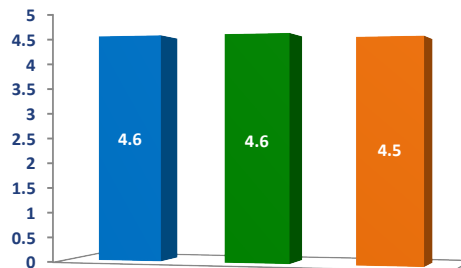
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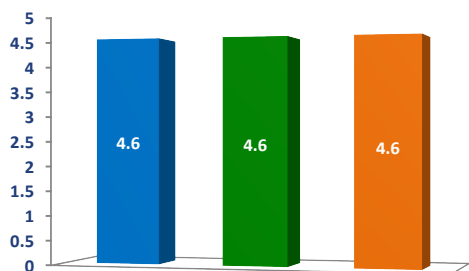
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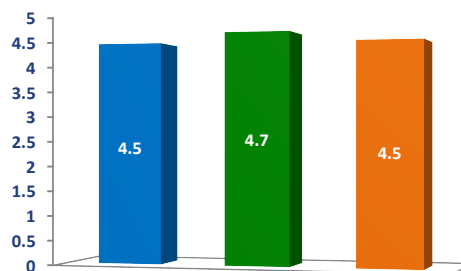
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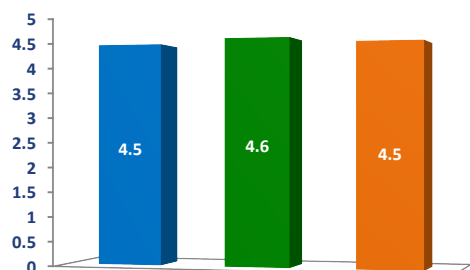


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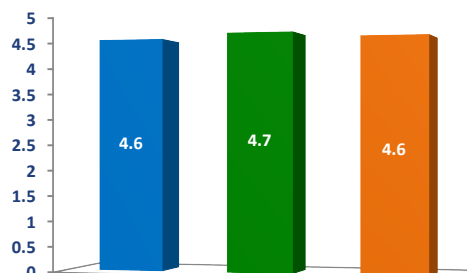
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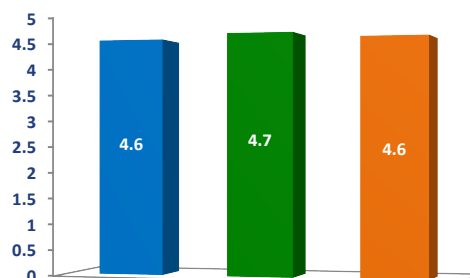
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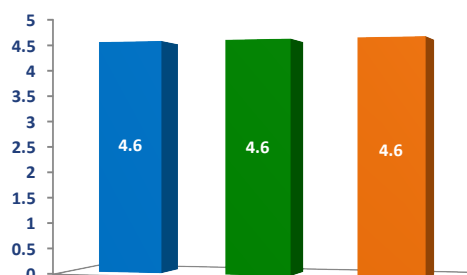
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## Radiology for MRCS

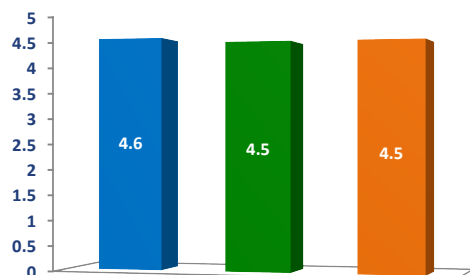
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## Tips for OSCEs The Trainee Perspective

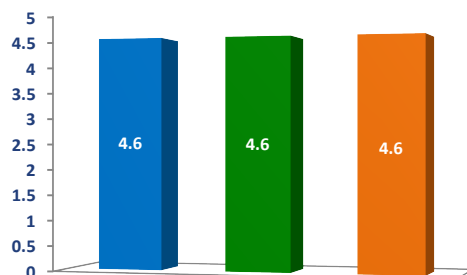
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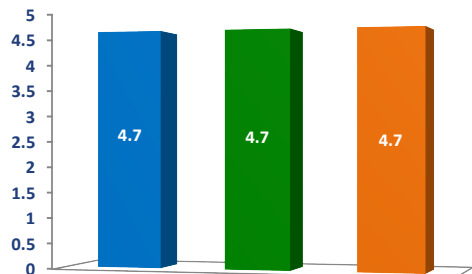


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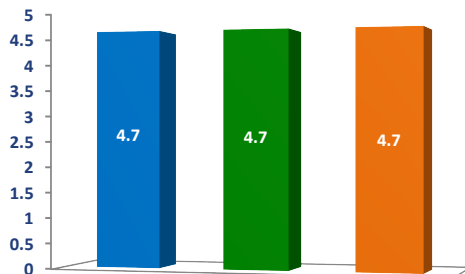
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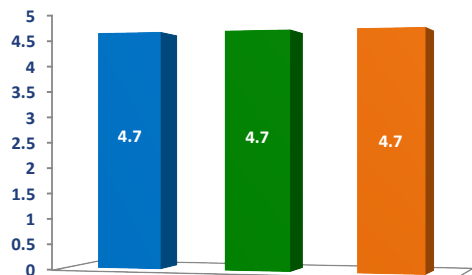
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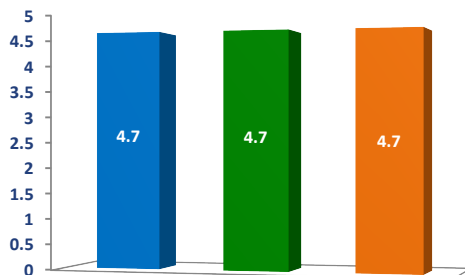
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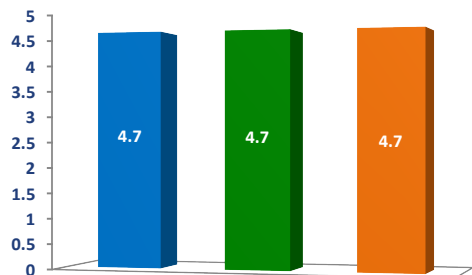
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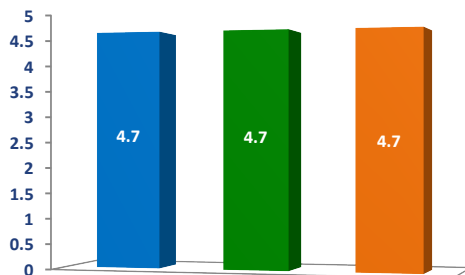
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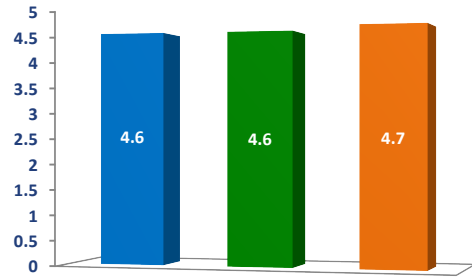


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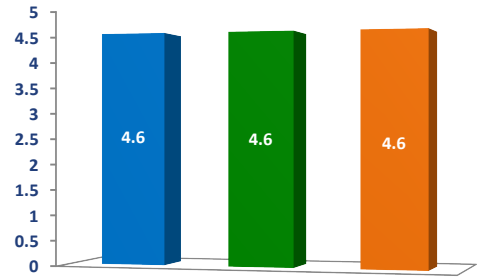
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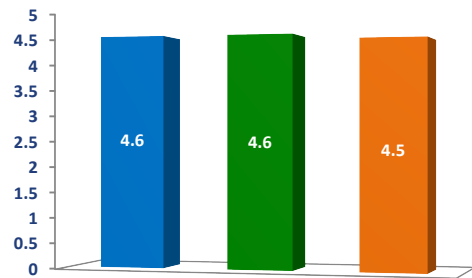
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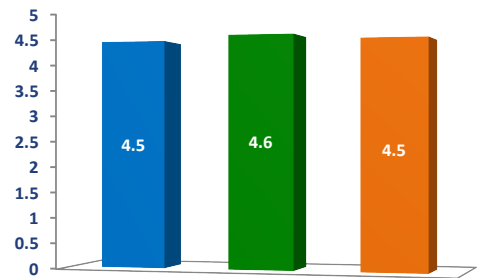
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## Individual Comments

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