

Cardiff MRCS OSCE Course: Five-Day Preparatory Course for MRCS OSCE



Feedback - January 2024

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This five-day preparatory course provided the attendee with a thorough understanding of the topics on which to focus and the areas to prepare for the MRCS OSCE. The course was delivered through a robust method of small group teaching, individual OSCEs and interactive discussions, all of which aimed to guide the attendee to prepare for each component of the exam (all stations were covered during the five days).

Day 1 and Day 2 focussed on the knowledge component of the exam, with emphasis placed on anatomy and pathology but also consideration of related microbiology and applied surgical sciences (physiology). Day 3 was divided into a morning session that covered clinical and procedural skills and an afternoon session that covered additional applied surgical sciences and critical care stations. Day 4 consisted of small group teaching using anatomical prosections, relevant pathological specimens, and osteology. A mock OSCE took place during the afternoon. Day 5 consisted of clinical examination stations in the morning and communication skills stations in the afternoon.

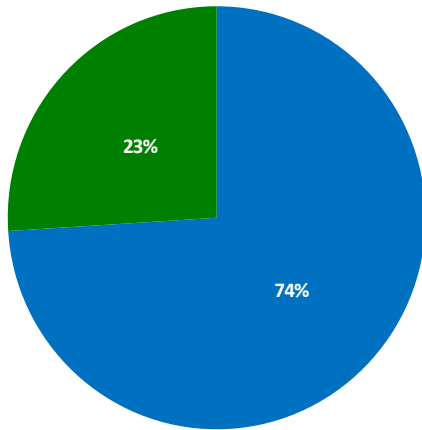
Course Information

Venue:	College of Physicians and Surgeons of Cardiff, Cardiff Bay, Cardiff; School of Biosciences, Cardiff University
Dates:	24th - 28th January 2024
Attendance:	38 Delegates
Aimed at:	Candidates Preparing for the MRCS OSCE Examination
Course Fee:	£875.00



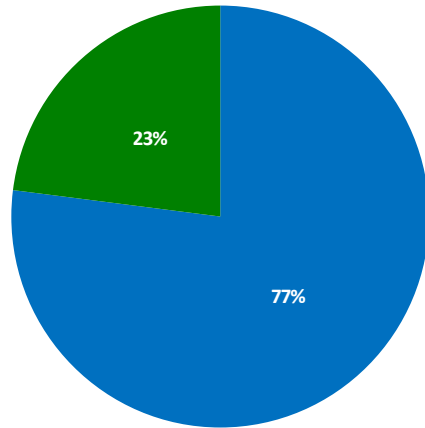
Overall Feedback

How was the clarity of the sessions?



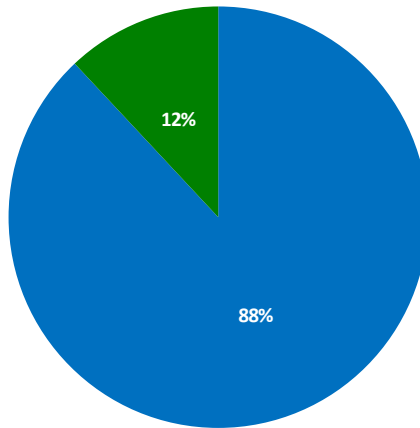
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How would you rate the general academic standard of the tutors?



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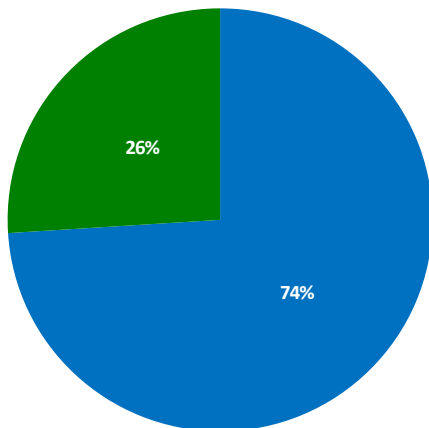
How do you rate the relevance of the course to your studies?



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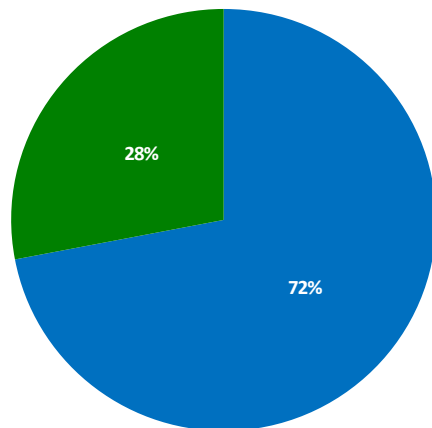
Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th January 2024

Skull Base, Head and Face



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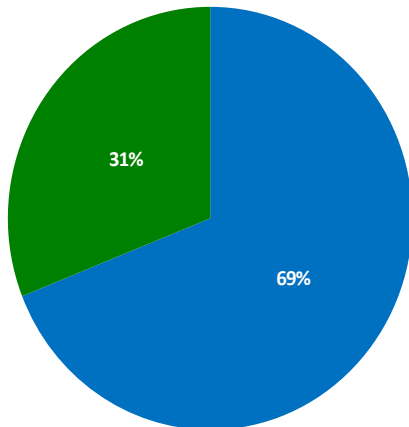
Neck, Neck Swellings, Larynx



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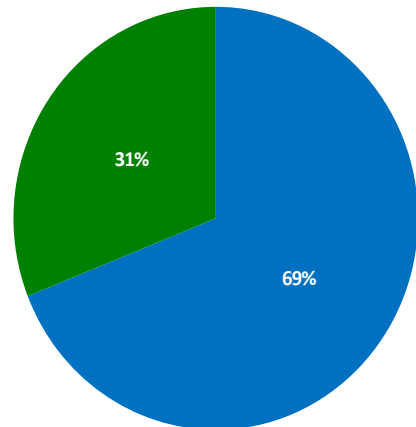
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Thorax, Mediastinum and Oesophagus



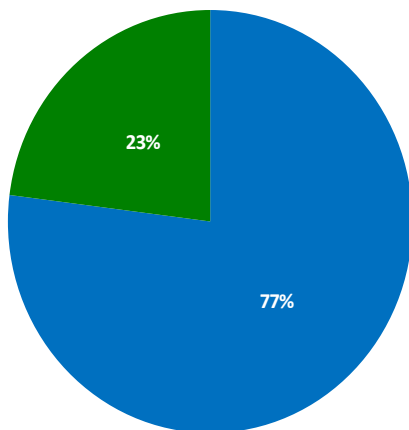
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Heart and Lung



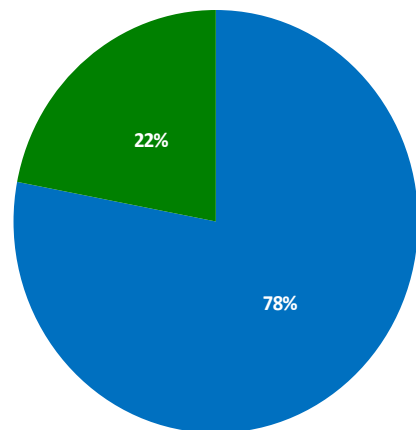
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Brachial Plexus and Upper Limb



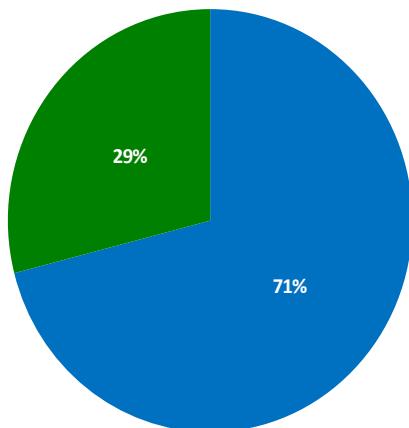
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Upper Limb Nerve Injuries



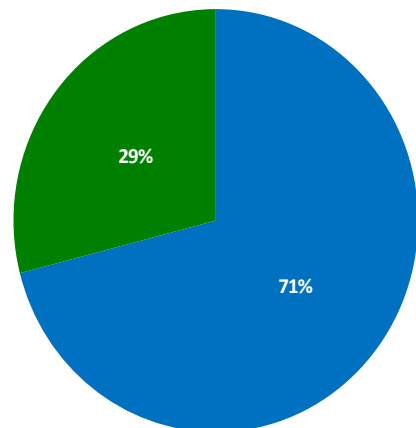
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General Abdomen



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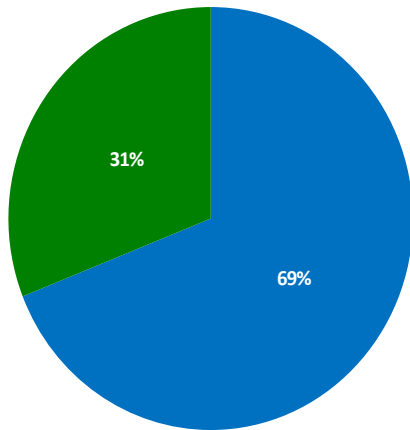
Abdominal Organs (Solid and Hollow)



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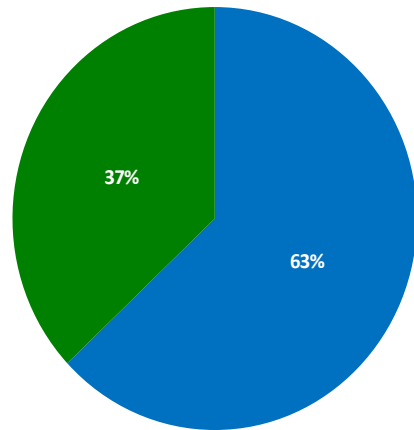
Overall Feedback

Pelvis and Perineum



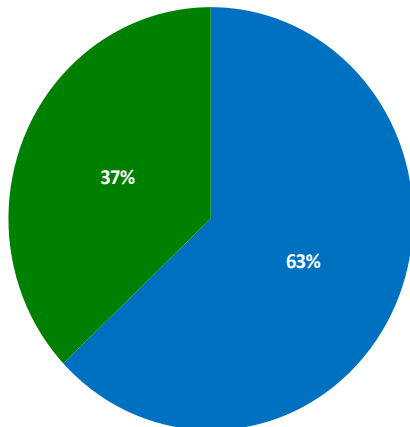
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Spinal Cord and Spinal Cord Syndromes



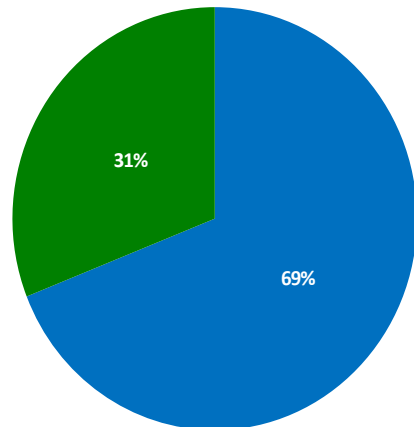
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Lumbosacral Plexus



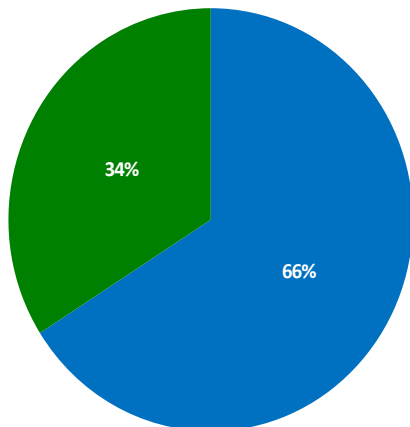
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Lower Limb



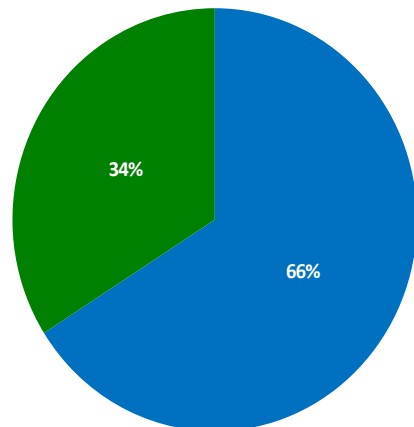
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Lower Limb Nerve Injuries



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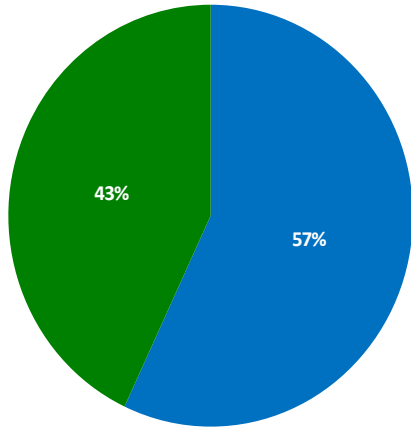
Pathology – Malignant Melanoma



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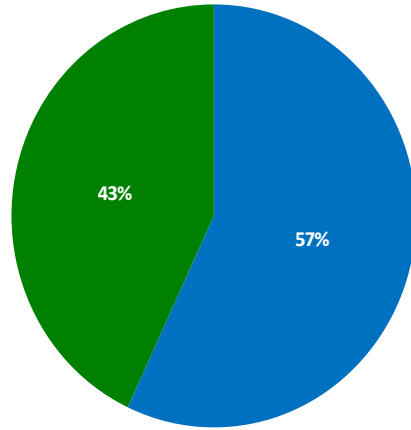
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Pathology – Non-Melanoma Skin Cancers



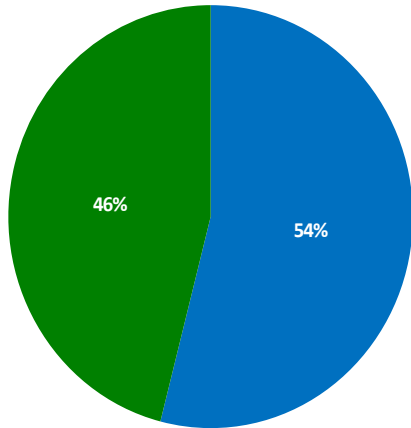
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Pathology – Thyroid Pathologies and Cancers



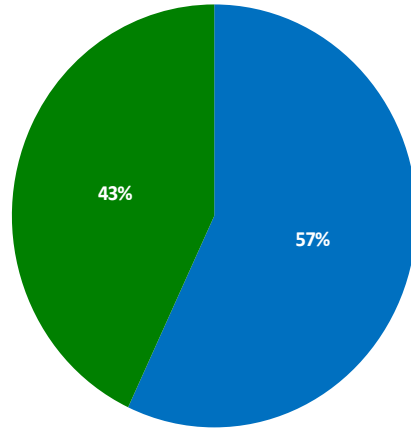
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Pathology – Carcinoid Tumour and Syndrome



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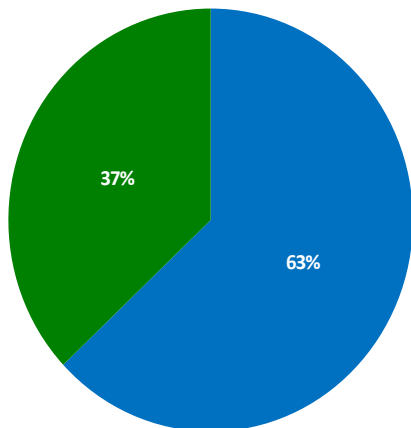
Pathology – Adrenal Conditions and Pheochromocytoma



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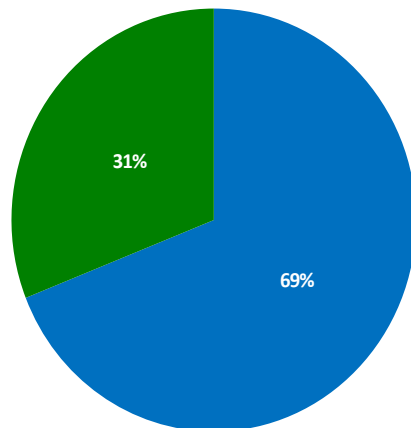
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Knot Tying



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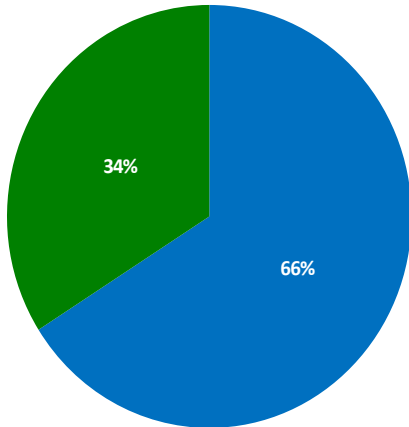
Excision of a Lesion



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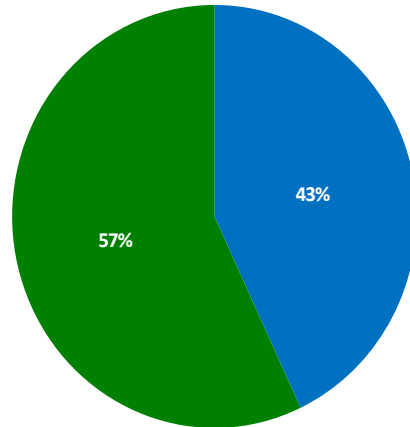
Overall Feedback

Suturing



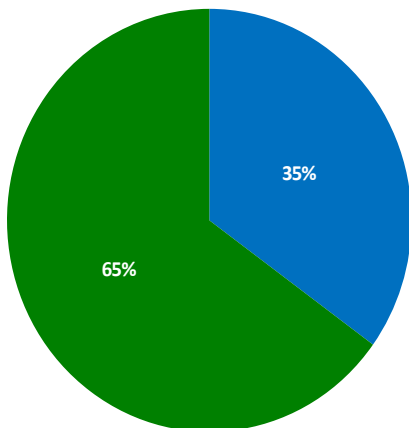
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Sutures and Suture Materials



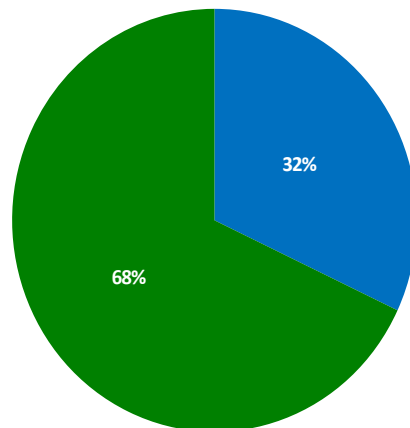
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Chest Drain Insertion



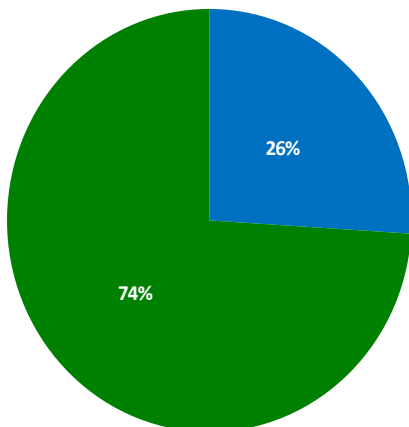
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Cannulation



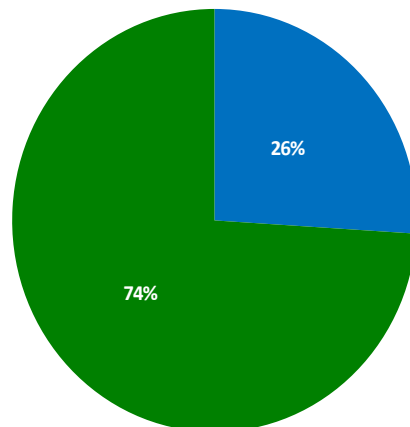
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Catheterisation



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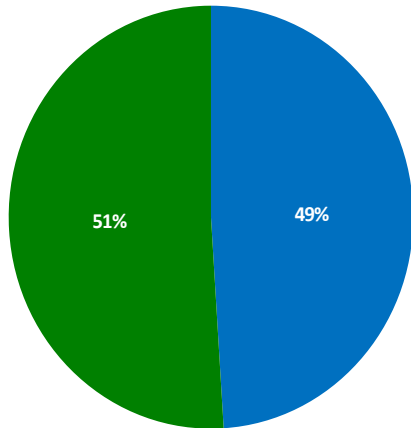
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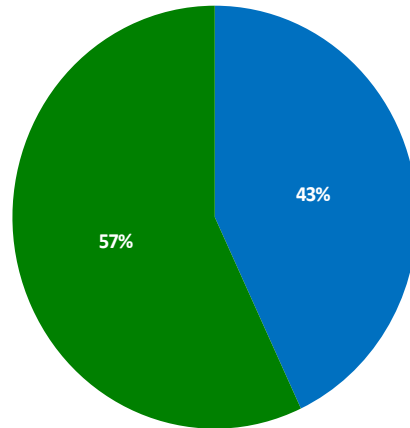
Overall Feedback

Wound Debridement



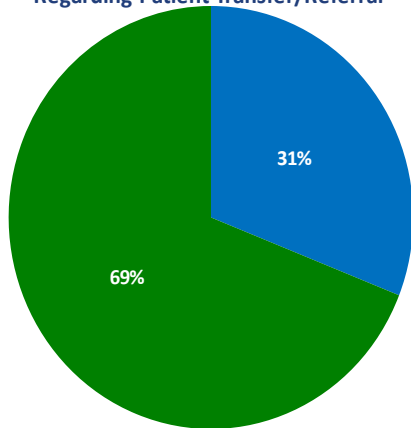
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Drainage of an Abscess



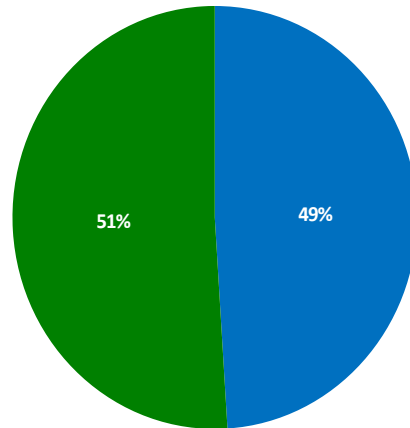
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Telephone Conversation with Consultant Regarding Patient Transfer/Referral



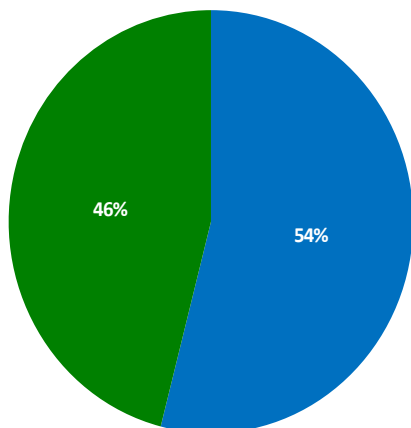
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Respiratory Physiology



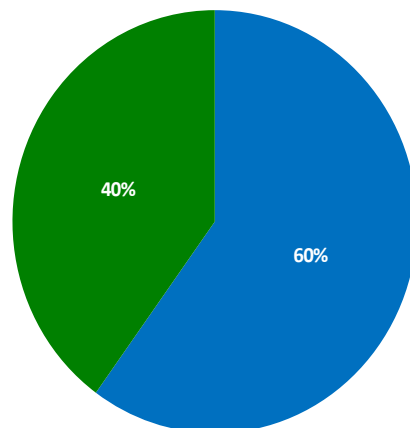
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Acid-Base Balance and Calcium Physiology



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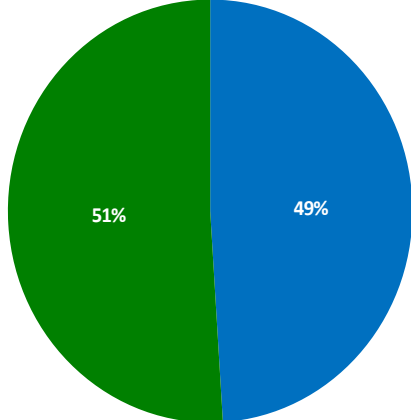
Bleeding, Haemostasis, DIC, and Brain Death



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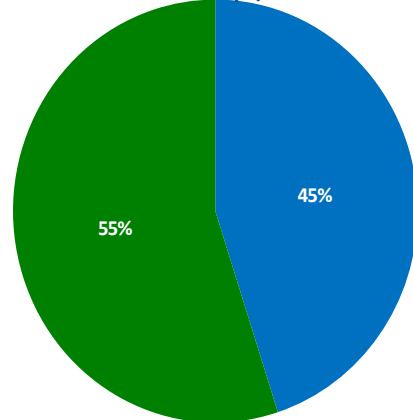
Overall Feedback

Cardiac Physiology, Fluid Balance, and Renal Failure



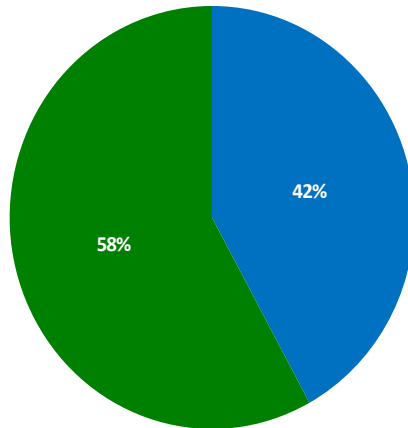
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Wound Healing and Reconstruction (Grafts and Flaps)



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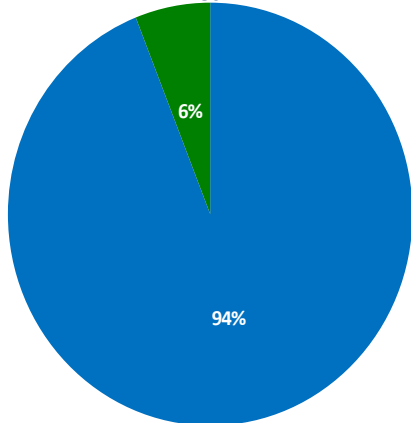
Theatre List Prioritisation



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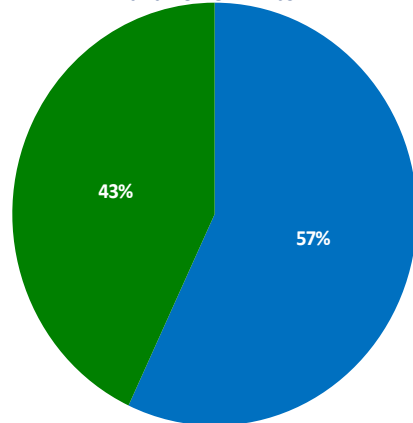
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Dissection Room - Brain, Circle of Willis and Neck



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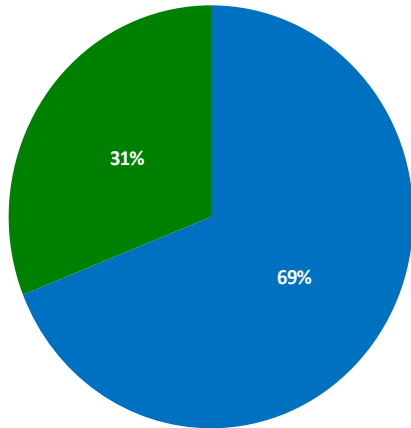
Dissection Room - Osteology of the Upper and Lower Limbs



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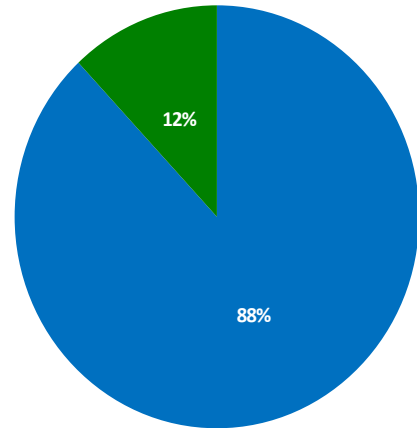
Overall Feedback

Dissection Room - Upper Limb (soft tissue)



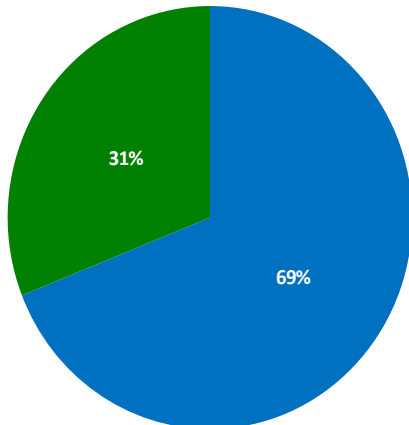
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Dissection Room - Lower Limb (Soft Tissue)



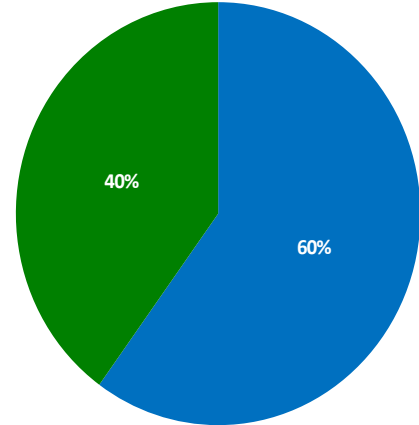
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Dissection Room - Heart, Lungs and Mediastinum



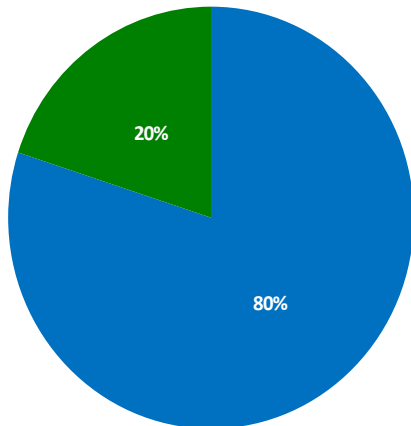
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Dissection Room - Anterior Abdominal Wall, Inguinal Canal and External Genitalia



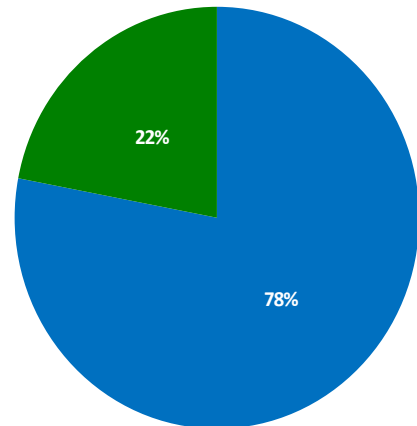
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Dissection Room - Solid Organs of the Abdomen (Liver, Gallbladder, Pancreas and Spleen)



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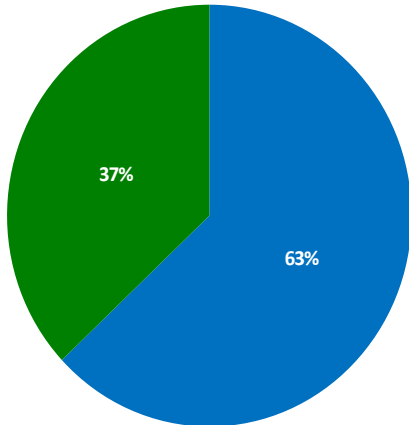
Dissection Room - Skull Base and Foramina



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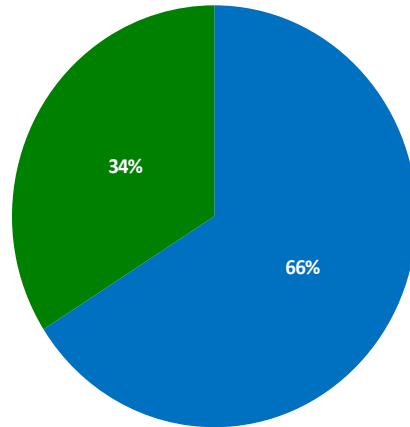
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Pathology – Dysphagia, Barrett’s and Oesophageal Cancer



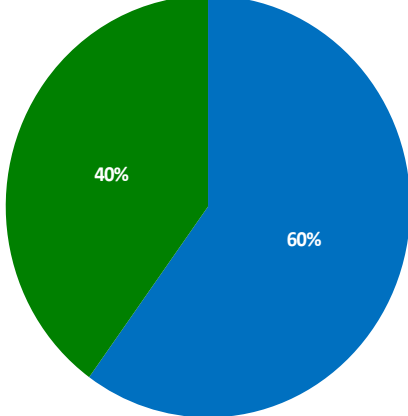
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Pathology – Inflammatory Bowel Diseases



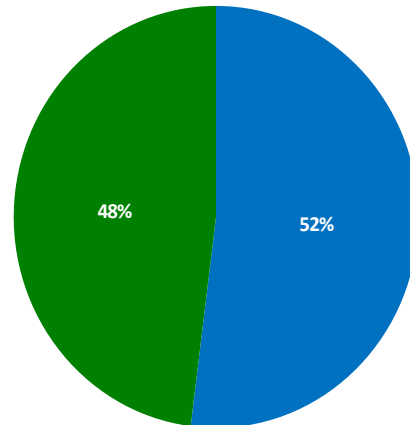
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Pathology – Polyps, Colorectal Cancers and Colectomies



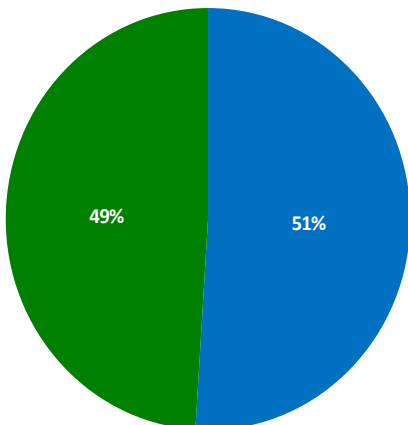
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Pathology – Inguinoscrotal Swellings and Testicular Cancers



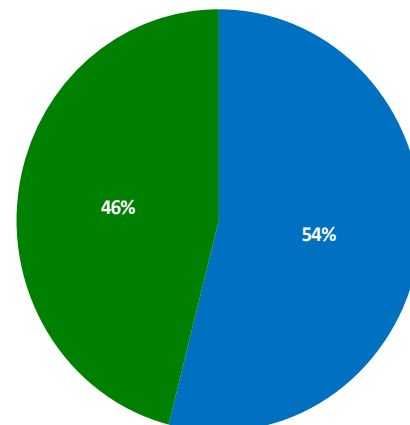
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Pathology – Prostate Pathologies and Cancer



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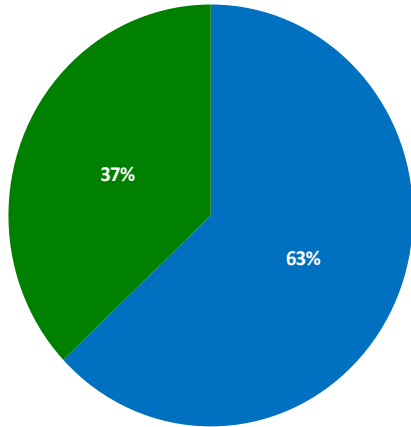
Pathology – Salivary Gland Swelling and Tumours



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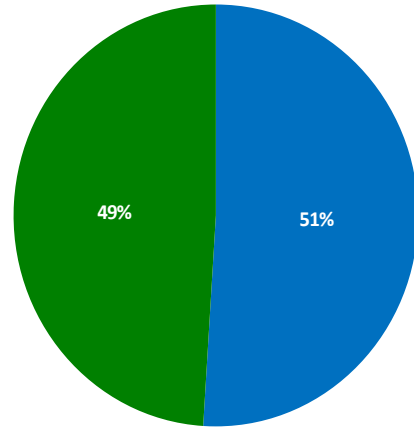
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Pathology – Breast Pathologies and Cancers



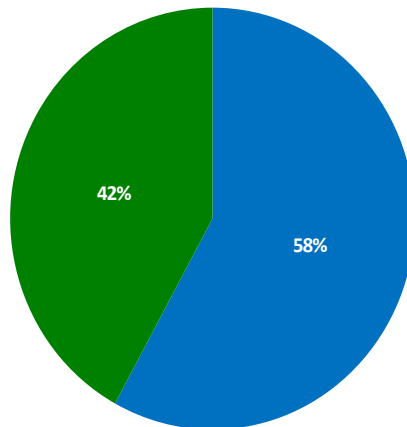
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Pathology – Lung Cancer



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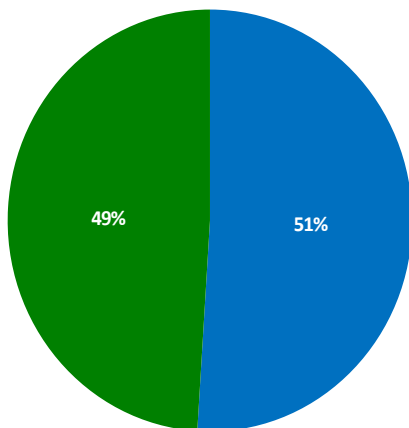
Pathology - Bone Cancers and Metastasis to the Spine



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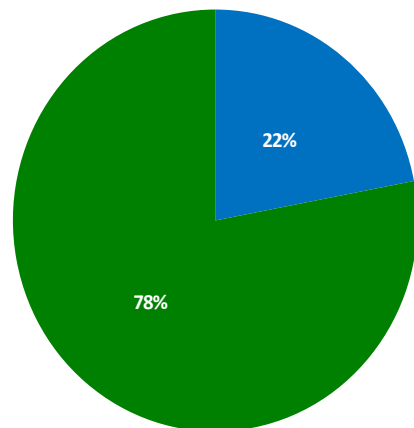
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Examination of the Abdomen



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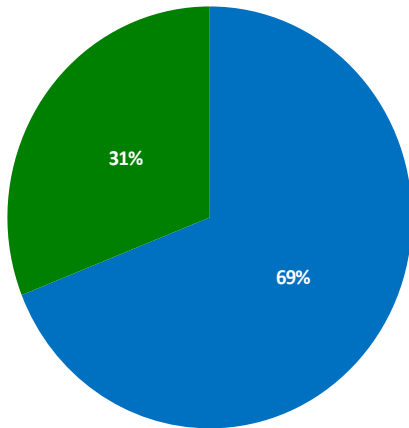
Examination of the Hip and Knee



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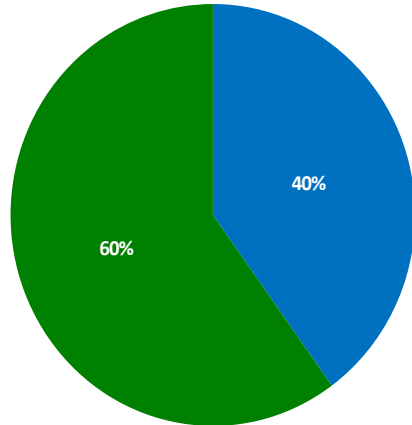
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Examination of the Shoulder and Back



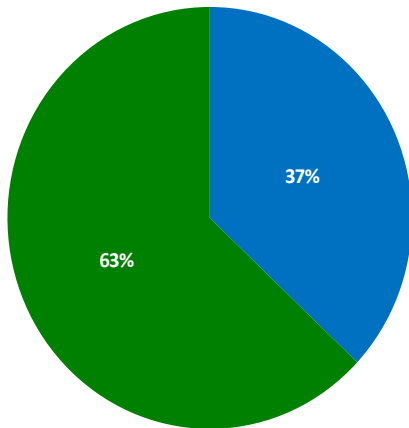
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Examination of the Neck, Salivary Glands and Thyroid



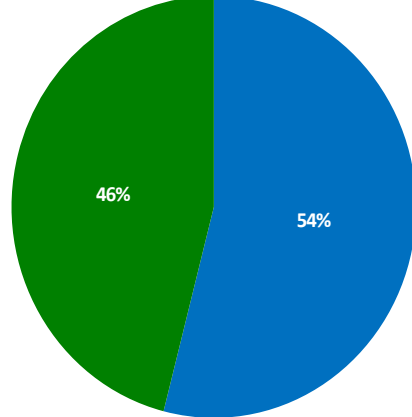
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Examination of the Cardiorespiratory System



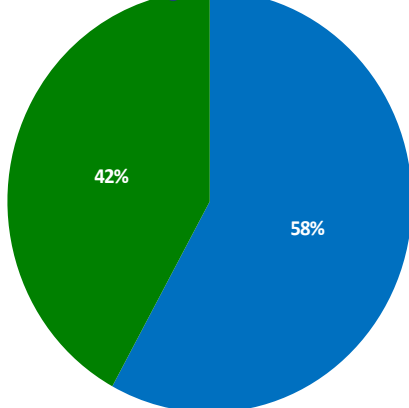
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Examination of the Varicose Veins and Arterial System



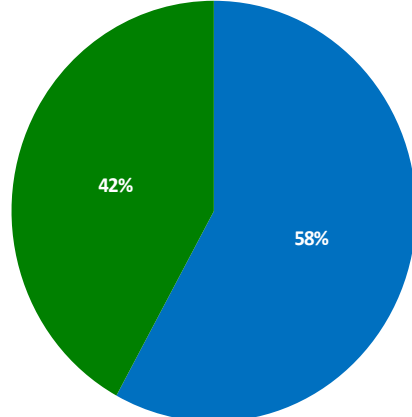
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Communication Skills - History Taking for Breast Lump; Information Giving for Breast Cancer; Consenting for GI Procedures



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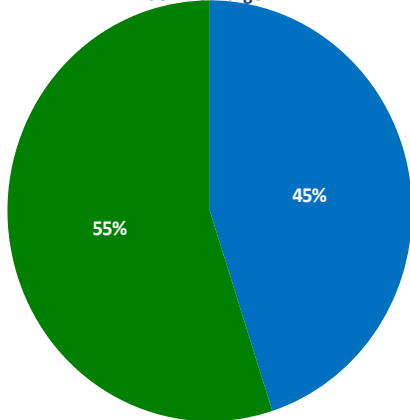
Communication Skills - History Taking for PR Bleeding; Information Giving for Colon Cancer; Consenting for Endoscopic Procedures



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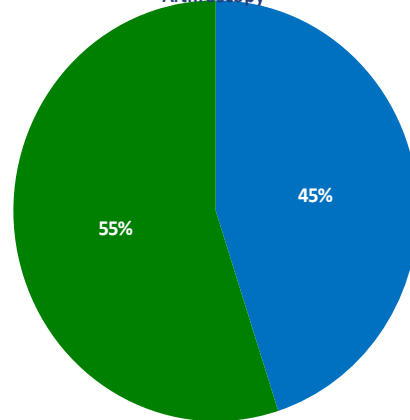
Overall Feedback

Communication Skills - History Taking for Hypercalcemia; Cancelled Operation (Thyroidectomy); Self Discharge



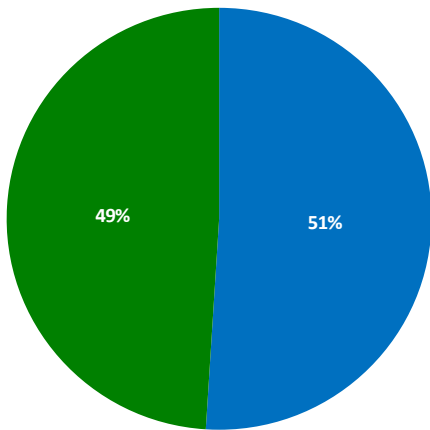
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Communication Skills - Back Pain (Metastasis); CT Scanner Broken Down; Consenting for Knee Arthroscopy



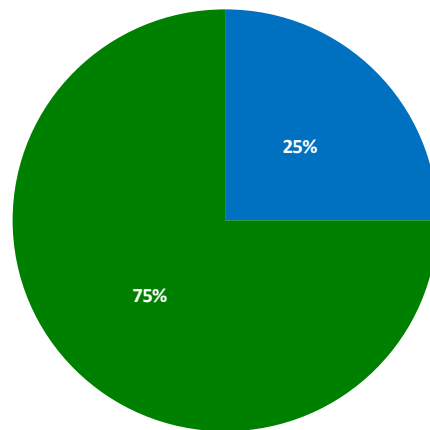
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How were the facilities and venue?



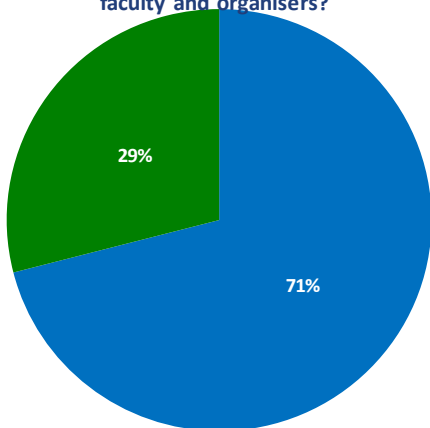
■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ Unlikely ■ Not at all

How were the refreshments and lunch?



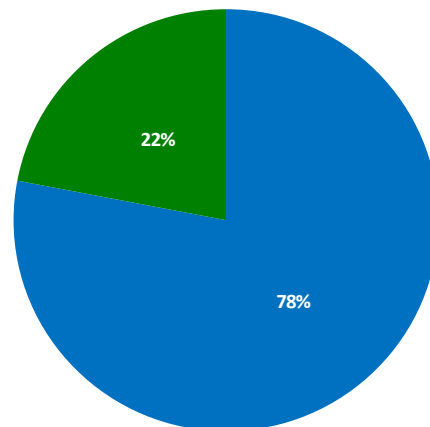
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How was the general friendliness of the faculty and organisers?



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

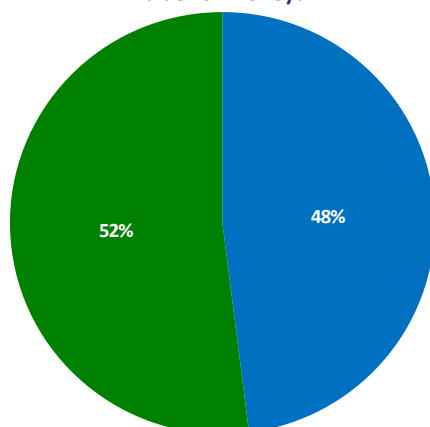
Would you recommend this course to a friend?



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

Overall Feedback

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



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

Individual Comments

Brilliant course. Very intense but it is a great way to cover the vast quantity of knowledge required for the exam.

NC

Royal Devon & Exeter Hospital, Exeter, UK

It was brilliant. Lovely faculty, excellent explanations, a good mix of theory and practical. I feel much more confident and it has also helped me to focus my studying over the next couple of weeks.

RO

Excellent value for money in terms of quantity of highly relevant teaching delivered, prosection teaching and faculty to tutee ratio. Hard work but enjoyable.

ID

Very helpful and very organised resembling the exam.

NT

This was a fantastic course, covering a huge breadth of content in good depth. An essential course.

AG

Furness General Hospital, Barrow-in-Furness, UK

It was very well organised, succinct and well delivered.

SI

University College London Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, UK

I was impressed the way Prof Enoch makes difficult topics easy to understand. He was precise and straight to the point. I am really encouraged by his knowledge level, composure, friendliness and punctuality. I will certainly look for him to mentor me after passing my exams. He is an academic giant. The course is very relevant to my exams. I am happy to have attended the course.

EI

It was overall a great experience. It served as a wake-up call to preparation.

AH

University Hospitals of Leicester NHS, UK

I have significantly increased my knowledge and understanding of the topics covered during the course and I have attained new knowledge and skills. Thank you for sharing your knowledge and expertise with us. Excellent course! Thank you to everyone involved!

CG

University Hospital Southampton NHS, UK

Individual Comments

A very relevant to the point, all key aspects covered in required detail. A good breadth of knowledge, key topic made easy to digest.

AM
East Surrey Hospital, Redhill, UK

I'm deeply grateful to Professor Enoch and the entire team for the excellent structure of the course and helpfulness and approachability of all the faculty and staff. I really benefitted from the course. Thank you so much.

NR

A concise, high-yield one-stop course covering most of the syllabus that helped me prepare for MRCS Part B. Amazing tutors and very relevant information and skills practiced.

AW
Musgrove Park Hospital, Taunton, UK

Excellent course. Very well structured and exam focused.

TB
Musgrove Park Hospital, Taunton, UK

Very impressed with the setup overall. Prof Enoch was confident and knowledgeable on all aspects of the exam which is exactly why I attended this course. High quality course materials and presentations overall.

HN
Pinderfields General Hospital, Wakefield, UK

I found that the course provided a clear overview of the surgical knowledge candidates must have to succeed in the exam. The dissection room demonstrations were interesting and very educational.

ET
Epsom and St Helier University Hospitals NHS Trust, UK

Very Well-organised course. There are many advantages of attending a well-structured course like this; I feel very motivated about the MRCS part B Examination after attending this course. Thank You.

BS
Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham, Birmingham, UK

Excellent. Really well organised and taught to an appropriate level and depth.

NT
Scarborough General Hospital, Scarborough



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