



The National Student Ophthalmology Conference 2024



Feedback - March 2024

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The National Student Ophthalmology Conference aimed to inform and inspire students with an interest in ophthalmology. This is a collaborate event including students from across the UK and Ireland.

The event included lectures from experts in the field and an opportunity to submit poster presentations, oral presentations and creative arts competitions. This year's conference also featured a virtually held surgical skills workshop.

Course Information

Date:	25th March 2024
Venue:	Virtual via MedAll
Attendance:	31 Delegates
Aimed at:	Medical Students, Foundation Doctors, anyone with an interest in ophthalmology
Fee:	Free



Programme

- 9:00-9:05 Welcome
- 9:05-9:15 Opening remarks
- 9:15-9:45 Lecture 1 – Dr Andrew Pyott - From the point of view of the planet, how Sustainable are Modern Cataract Services?
- 9:45-10:15 Lecture 2 – Dr Haider Manzar - Applying for Ophthalmology: prepping the portfolio
- 10:15-10:45 Lecture 3 – Dr Obaid Kousha – The Arclight Project and Global Eye Health

10:45-11:00

Break 1

- 11:00-11:15 Sponsor talk – Guide Dogs UK
- 11:15-11:45 Lecture 4 – Dr Sean Zhou - Digital education in Ophthalmology, what does the future hold?
- 11:45-12:15 Lecture 5 – Associate Professor Angus Turner - The Pilbara Challenge
- 12:15-12:25 Sponsor talk – The MDU

12:25-1:15

Lunch break

- 1:15-1:45 Lecture 6 – Dr Pranesh Balasubramaniam - Ophthalmology Sans Frontieres
- 1:45-2:15 Lecture 7 – Dr Paul Cauchi - Ophthalmic Imaging and harnessing it's potential
- 2:15-3:05 Competition oral presentations
- 3:05-3:45 Ophthalmology surgical skills workshop – Dr Ahmed Elshahat
- 3:45-3:55 Awards presentation
- 3:55-4:00 Closing remarks

Organisers

Miss Salyha Mughal
Conference Lead

Miss Saya Alasaadi
Secretary

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Mr Humdan Khan
Workshop Organiser

Miss Hoa Le Ma (Wendy)
Workshop Organiser

Workshop Tutor

Dr Ahmed Elshahat, MBBS, MSc, MD
Ophthalmology Registrar (ST6)
Manchester Royal Eye Hospital

Speaker

Dr Sean Zhou, BSc, MBBS, PGCert

Ophthalmology Specialty Trainee (ST5),
Blended Learning Fellow at NHS HEE East of England,
Professional Development Lead - Digital Learning Subcommittee RCOphth
Norfolk and Norwich University Hospitals NHS Trust

Dr Andrew Pyott, MD, CBM

Consultant Ophthalmologist
National Treatment Centre, Highlands

Dr Paul Cauchi, MB BS, FRCOphth

Consultant Ophthalmologist
Gartnavel General Hospital, Glasgow

Dr Pranesh Balasubramaniam, MBBS, MD

Clinical Teaching Fellow
Moorfields Eye Hospital, London

Dr Haider Manzar, MBBS, PGCert, FHEA

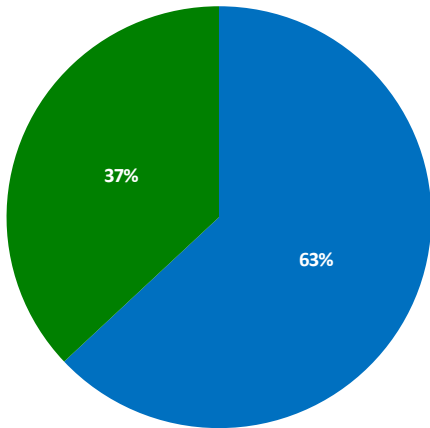
ST3 Ophthalmology Registrar
King's College Hospital, London

Dr Obaid Kousha, MD, FRCO

Clinical Lecturer, Ophthalmology Registrar
Associate Professor Angus Turner, MBBS (Hons), MSc (Oxon), FRANZCOphth
Ophthalmologist
Lions Eye Institute, Perth, Australia

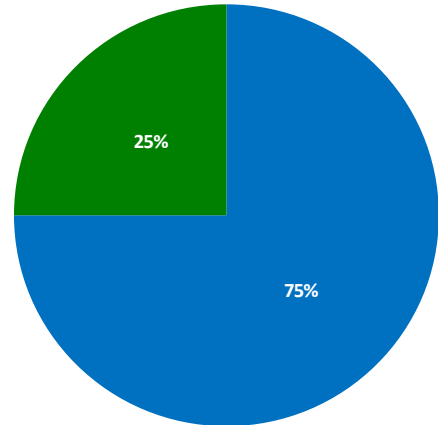
Overall Feedback

How was the content of the conference?



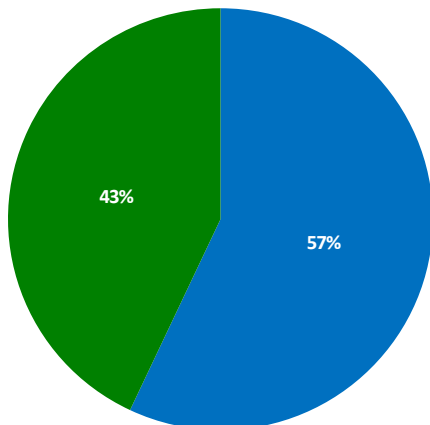
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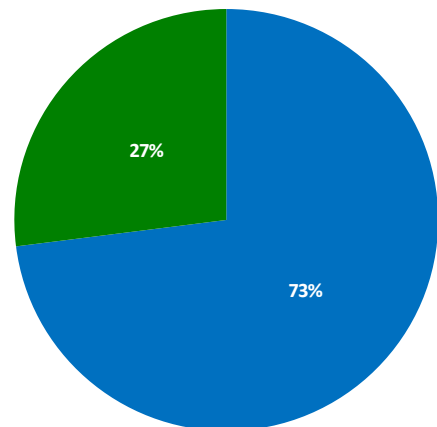
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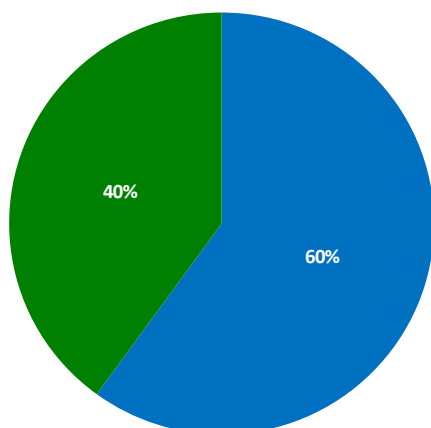
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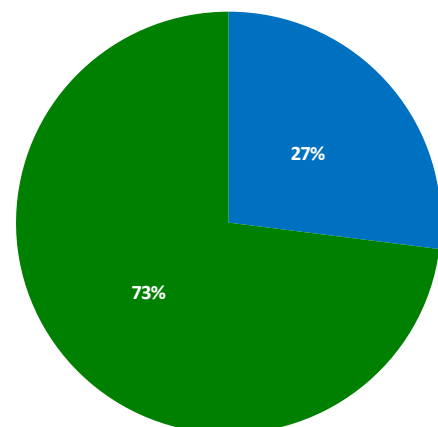
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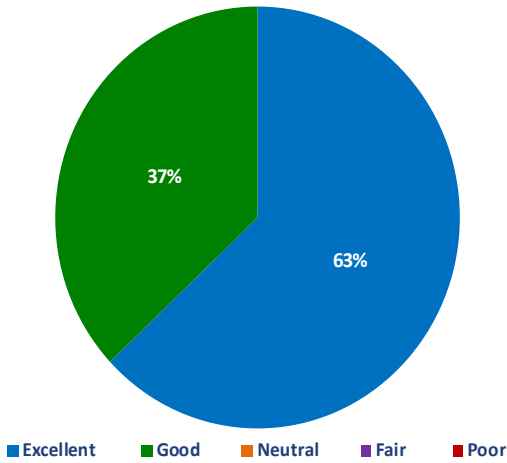
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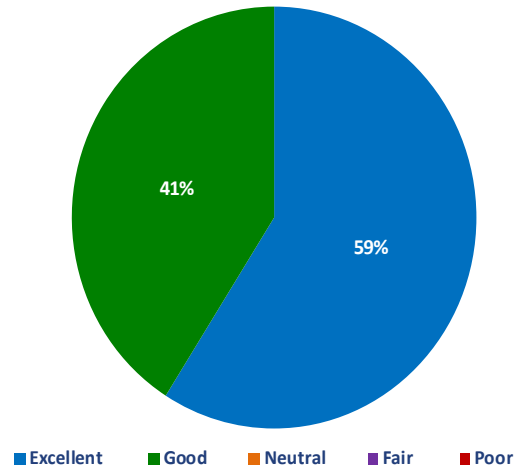
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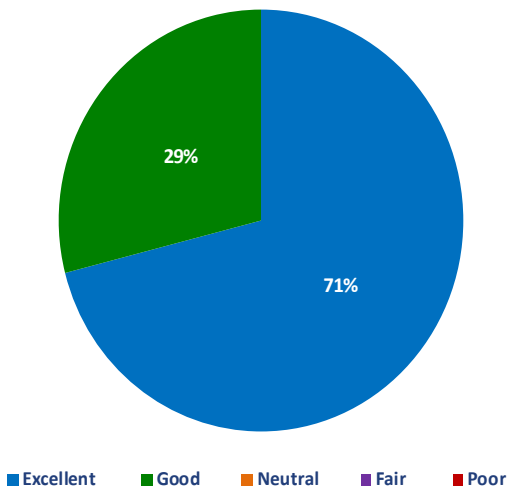
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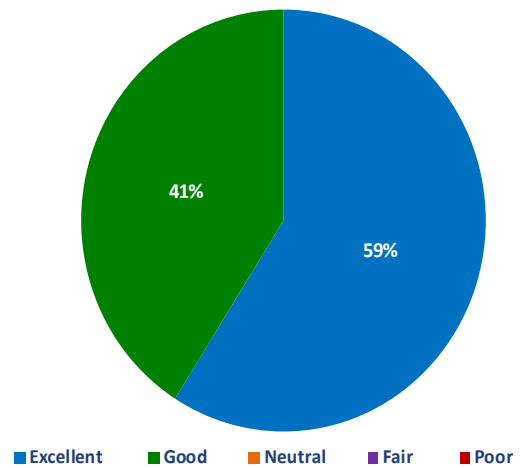
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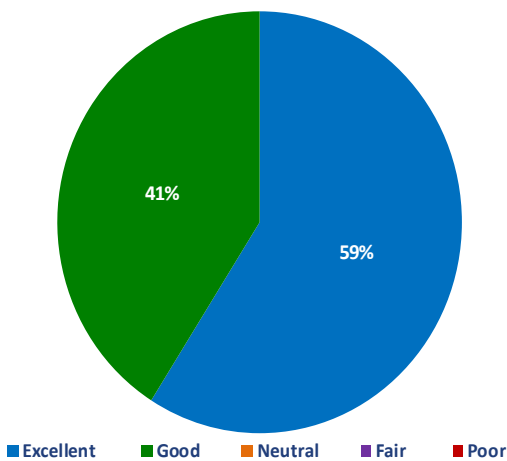
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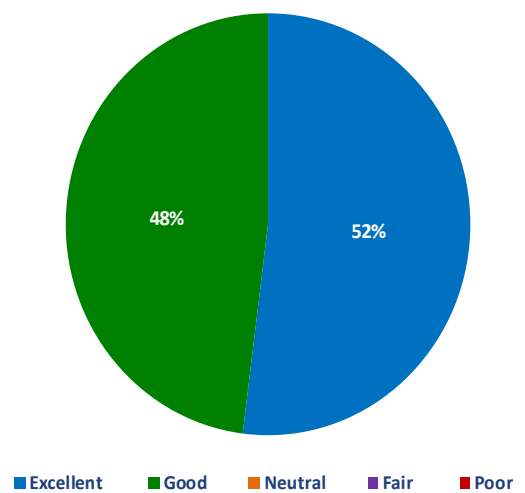
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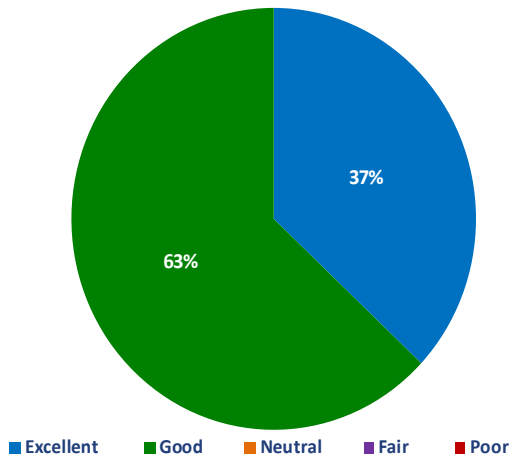


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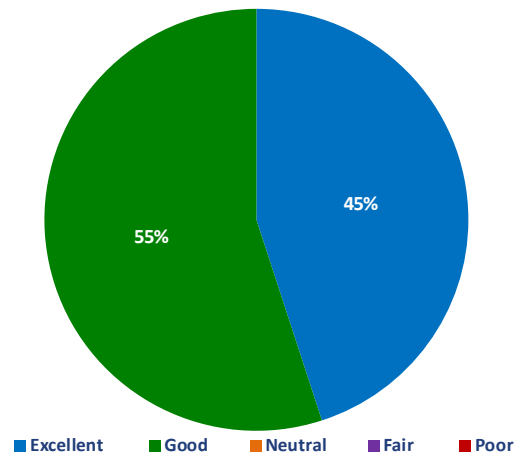


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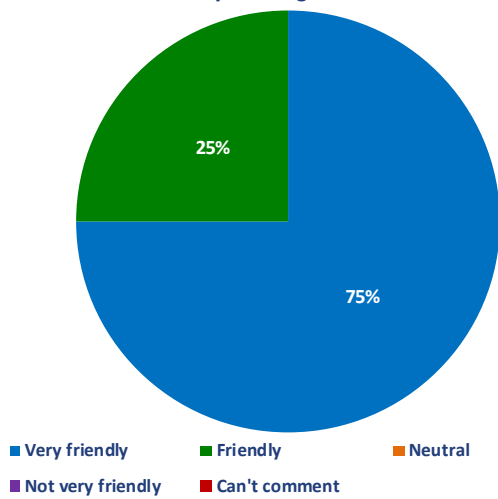
Ophthalmology surgical skills workshop – Dr Josephine Bates



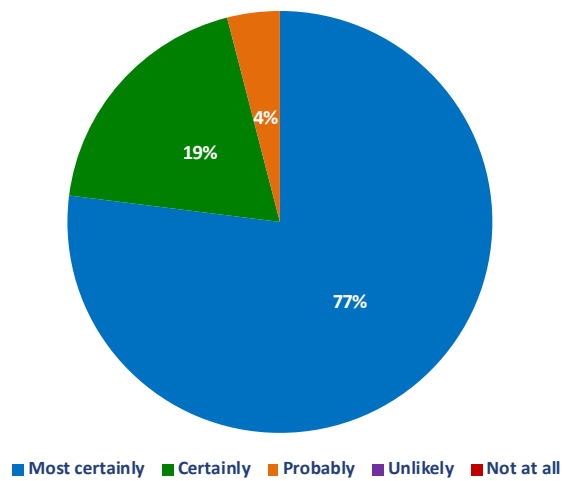
How would you rate the appropriateness of Hopin Virtual Venue for the delivery of this conference?



How was the general friendliness of the faculty and organisers?



Would you recommend this conference to a friend?



Individual Comments

It was excellent!

HK
Barnet Hospital, Barnet, UK

Good overall conference well organised and clear!

SS
University of Leeds, Leeds, UK

The conference was very well organised and there were some very interesting and informative talks.

AN
University of East Anglia, Norwich, UK

It was extremely relevant and helpful.

NV
University of Manchester, Manchester, UK

Everything was perfect and I am really grateful I had the opportunity to attend to this event.

MB
Carol Davila University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Bucharest, Romania

I enjoyed it, I think they are well prepared.

AD
University of Medicine and Pharmacy Carol Davila, Bucharest, Romania

Really enjoyed it, was helpful and comprehensive.

AG
Ipswich Hospital, Ipswich, UK

Well organised- highly relevant.

NS
New Cross Hospital, Wolverhampton, UK

Really accessible and well organised conference.

CF
University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK

Individual Comments

Nicely compliments my ophthalmology undergraduate learning.

AH
University of Bristol, Bristol, UK

Fantastic, useful, engaging.

YA
University of Birmingham, Birmingham, UK

The conference was well organised and it was clear that a high level of effort was put in. The talks covered a wide range of interesting areas, which put the event at a fantastic level for a medical student.

MM
Imperial College London, London, UK

It was an amazing experience with a lot of information.

SR
Hull York Medical School, University of York, UK

Very good conference, enjoyed the experience.

NI
University of Glasgow, Glasgow, UK

Overall I really enjoyed the conference. I thought the speakers covered a broad range of topics, many of which I hadn't thought about before. I found the ophthalmology portfolio lecture particularly useful as it highlighted the key point-scoring areas that we can start checking off whilst in medical school. The conference was well organised however there were a few technical issues that slowed things down.

AW
University College London, London, UK

It was well organised with relevant topics in today's atmosphere and the speakers were knowledgeable and passionate about their chosen fields. The presentations were enlightening and thought-provoking. Really good conference and looking forward to the next one and attending as a Dr.

OO
University of Buckingham, Buckingham, UK

Individual Comments

Great conference with a range of different speakers on various topics.

MM

Hull York Medical School, Hull, UK

It was really good.

AD

Aston Medical School, Birmingham, UK

Wonderful conference, really useful and helpful.

DC

University of Manchester, Manchester, UK

Great session that was very informative.

AV

University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK

Absolutely inspiring! It has made me more aware of the portfolio requirements and aspects of ophthalmology practice.

RM

University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, UK

As an online delegate, I loved how easy it was to attend the conference and interact with the speakers via chat.

MK

TSMU

Good insight.

SL

University of Manchester, Manchester, UK

Very good.

SM

North Bristol NHS, UK

Individual Comments

Really interesting conference. Well organised. Thank you so much.

PK

Norwich Medical School, Norwich, UK

I was really impressed by the quality of the speakers and the topics they brought. It was very informative.

CV

University of Milan, Milan, Italy

5 stars.

HH

St George's, University of London, England, UK

Fantastic Opportunity.

OE

Royal Liverpool University Hospital, UK

Relevant.

HW

Barts and the London, UK

Overall a good conference as interested in ophthalmology as a career.

FS

Aberdeen Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen, UK

Really well organised conference and had very experienced speakers who had a wealth of knowledge in their fields.

HA

William Harvey Hospital, Ashford, UK

Very good and informing day.

OA

Barts and The London, London, UK

Individual Comments

Really glad to see global eye health being discussed.

EW

Trinity College Dublin, UK

Great conference, very interesting and relevant.

NJ

University of Leicester, Leicester, UK

Very professional, great supplementation for ophthalmology teaching in medical school.

JL

St George's, University of London, England, UK

Very good conference, learnt lots of new things.

KV

Kings College London, London, UK

Great stuff all of high quality.

AA

Vilnius University, Vilnius, Lithuania

Lectures were very good.

FB

Northampton General Hospital, UK

I certainly didn't expected the presentation to be this good. The teaching way was excellent and on point. Hope to participate in these kind of presentations again in future.

KL

Chitwan Medical College, Bharatpur, Nepal



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