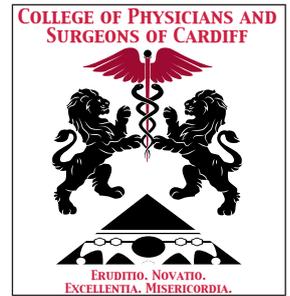


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## Cardiff MRCS Course: Basic Sciences and Clinical Application for MRCS A



**Feedback - December 2021**

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Basic sciences such as anatomy, physiology, pathology and microbiology are the principal components for developing a strong foundation in surgical training and for the understanding of its clinically applied aspects such as surgical anatomy and critical care physiology. As such, these subjects form an integral part in the MRCS A exam.

This intensive three-day course provided the attendee with an overview of basic physiological principles, consolidated the candidate's core and applied surgical knowledge in anatomy and relevant pathology, and provided a focused revision of pertinent topics as tested in the exam. The course took into consideration the recent changes to the MRCS A exam, with more emphasis on basic sciences – especially anatomy.

The course was structured into three distinct, but related, days. On Day 1, the emphasis was on basic and surgically applied anatomy, and relevant system specific pathology. Day 2 predominately covered cancer pathology, microbiology, genetics, statistics, embryology, autonomous nervous system and head & neck anatomy. Day 3 covered trauma, general pathology, benign and malignant tumours, principles of surgery, burns and applied surgical sciences.

It was advised that delegates attended all three days of the course to get the full benefit. However, if they were particularly strong in the topics on any of the three days, the option to attend the individual days of the course was available.



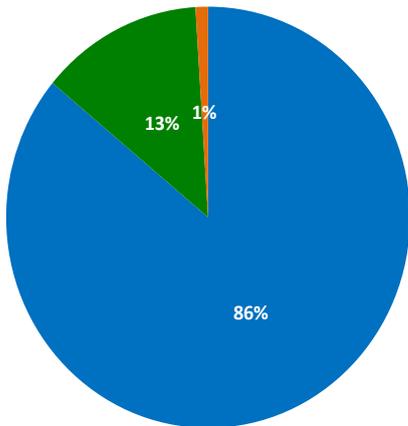
### Course Information

<b>Course Dates:</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> December 2021</b>
<b>Venue:</b>	<b>College of Physicians and Surgeons of Cardiff, Frazer Building, 126 Bute Street, Cardiff Bay, Cardiff, CF10 5LE</b>
<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>20 Delegates</b>
<b>Aimed at:</b>	<b>Trainees preparing for the MRCS Part A Examination.</b>
<b>Faculty:</b>	<b>Surgeons</b>
<b>Course Fee:</b>	<b>£375.00</b>



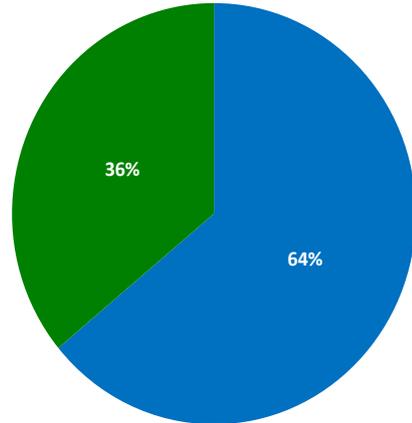
# Overall Feedback

How useful were the topics covered during the course?



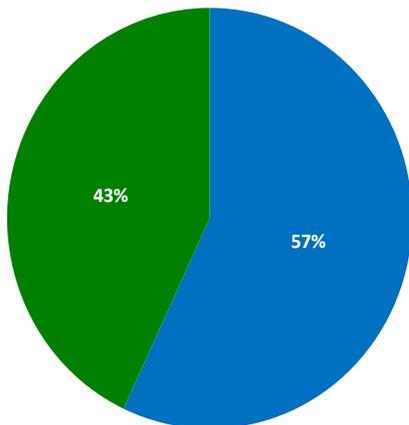
■ Excellent ■ Very Good ■ Good ■ Not Good ■ Poor

Were the topics covered in sufficient detail and depth?



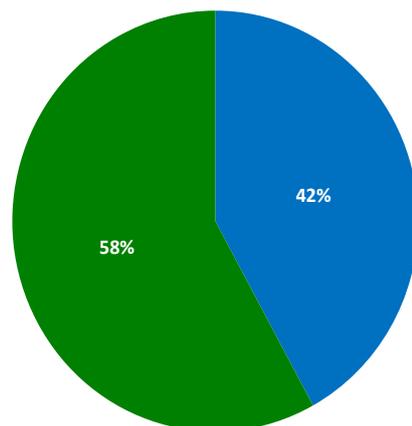
■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ Unlikely ■ Not at all

How useful were the sixteen mock exams discussed during the course?



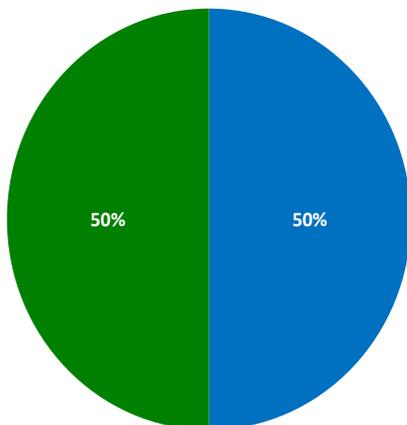
■ Extremely Useful ■ Very Useful ■ Useful ■ Quite Useful ■ Not Useful At All

Was the pattern of the questions discussed during the course reflective of the questions that are normally encountered in the exam?



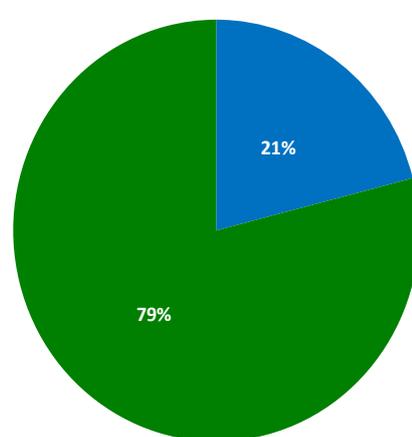
■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ Unlikely ■ Not at all

Did the course meet your learning objectives?



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

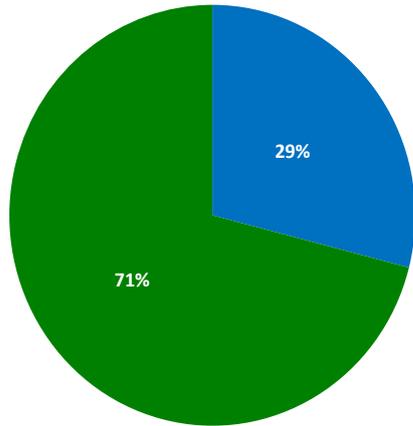
How were the facilities and venue?



■ Excellent ■ Good ■ Neutral ■ Fair ■ Poor

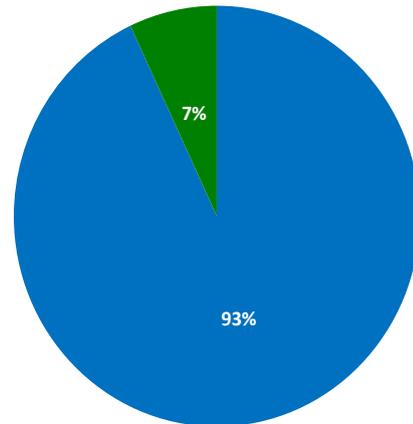
# Overall Feedback

How were the refreshments and lunch?



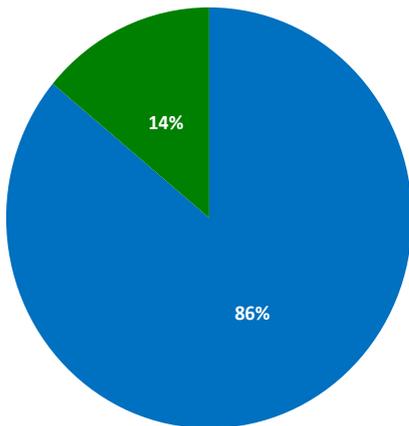
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How was the general friendliness of the faculty and organisers?



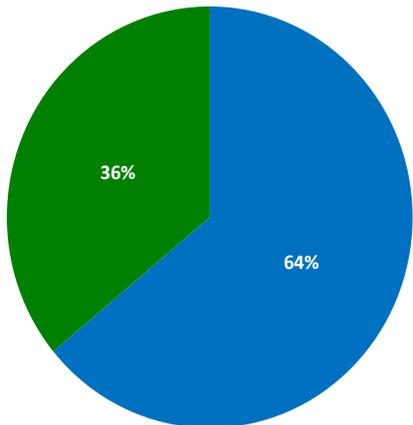
■ Very friendly ■ Friendly ■ Neutral ■ Not very friendly ■ Can't comment

Would you recommend this course to a friend?



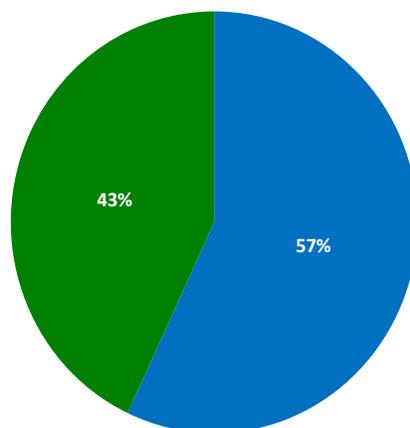
■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ Unlikely ■ Not at all

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



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

What was your impression of the venue?



■ Excellent Venue, easy to reach  
■ Good Venue, easy to reach

## Individual Comments

Excellent.

**GS**  
*Southmead Hospital, Bristol, United Kingdom*

Great course.

**CS**  
*Royal Preston Hospital, Preston, United Kingdom*

All very good.

**JV**  
*Doncaster Royal Infirmary, Doncaster, United Kingdom*

Excellent course.

**HK**  
*Salisbury District Hospital, Salisbury, United Kingdom*

Excellent teacher, kept me engaged through 3 long days. Thank you!

**KG**  
*Salisbury District Hospital, Salisbury, United Kingdom*

Overall, an excellent informative course with great faculty. Excellent value for money, especially in light of what I've paid for other courses!

**TM**  
*Royal United Hospital, Avon, United Kingdom*

Excellent.

**IS**  
*Royal Stoke University Hospital, Stoke-on-Trent, United Kingdom*

Really good course, covered the high stakes areas of the syllabus. Good rationales given for distinguishing the better of the last two remaining options in difficult questions. It was nice to do it well in advance of the exam. It will help to direct study.

**RC**  
*Queens Medical Centre, Nottingham, United Kingdom*

Excellent.

**SS**  
*Salisbury District Hospital, Salisbury, United Kingdom*

Very good course and Professor Enoch is amazing. Covered all relevant topics with adequate details. Overall a very good experience.

**EZ**  
*Tameside & Glossop IC NHS Foundation Trust, United Kingdom*



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