

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



Feedback - January 2025

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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

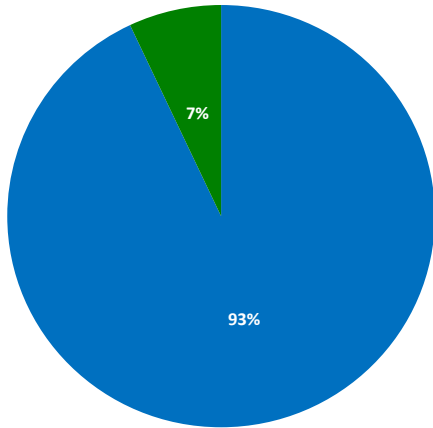
<b>Venue:</b>	<b>College of Physicians and Surgeons of Cardiff, Cardiff Bay, Cardiff; School of Biosciences, Cardiff University</b>
<b>Dates:</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> January 2025</b>
<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>40 Delegates</b>
<b>Aimed at:</b>	<b>Candidates Preparing for the MRCS OSCE Examination</b>
<b>Course Fee:</b>	<b>£875.00</b>



# Overall Feedback

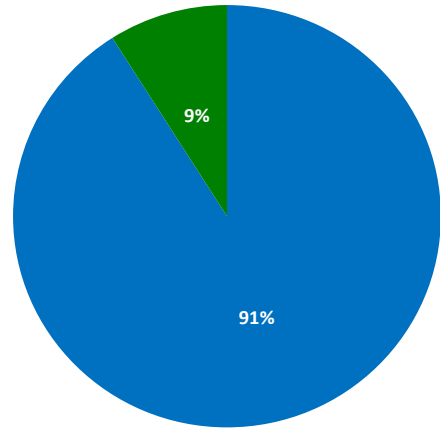
Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Skull Base, Head and Face



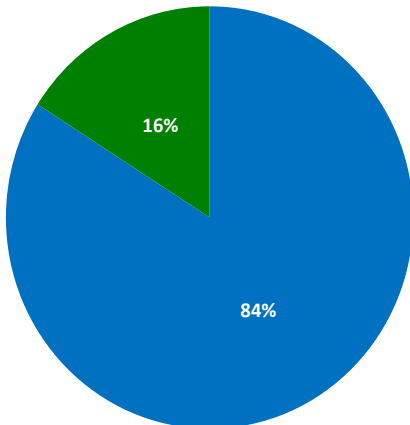
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Neck, Larynx, Soft Palate, and Pharynx



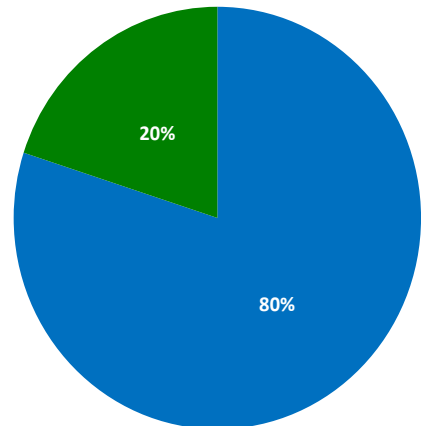
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Thorax, Mediastinum, Heart, and Lungs



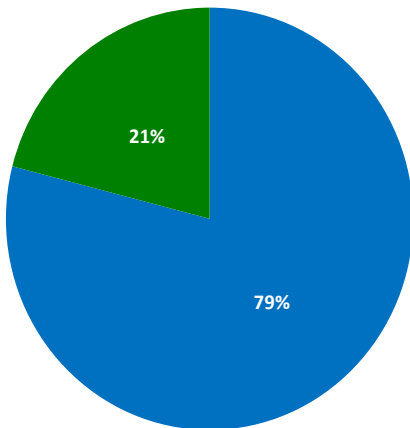
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Brachial Plexus, Upper Limb and Upper Limb Nerve Injuries



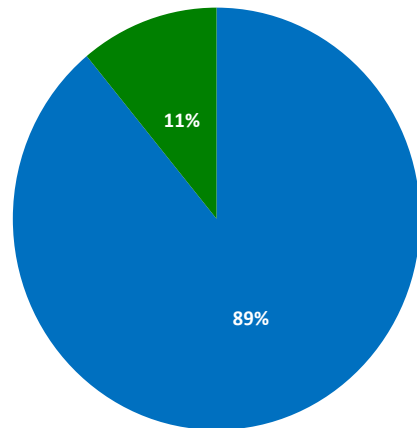
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General Abdomen



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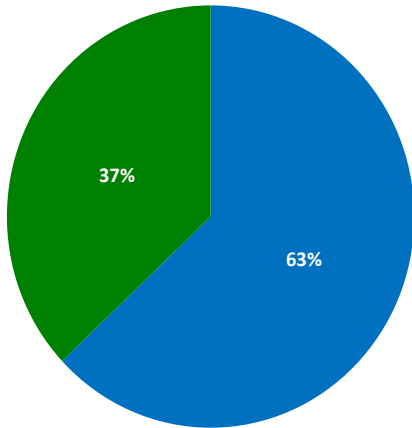
Abdominal Organs (Solid and Hollow)



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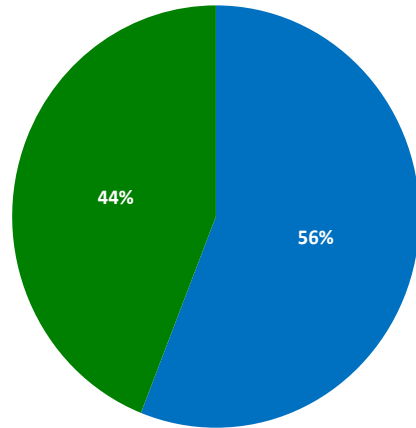
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Pelvis and Perineum



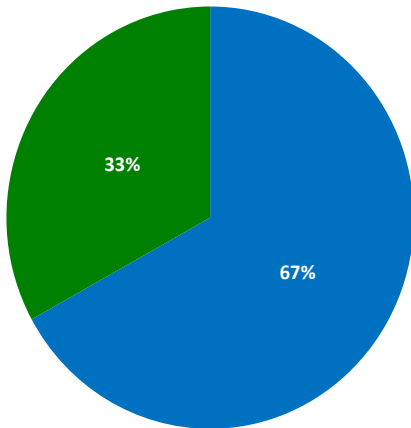
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Spinal Cord and Spinal Cord Syndromes



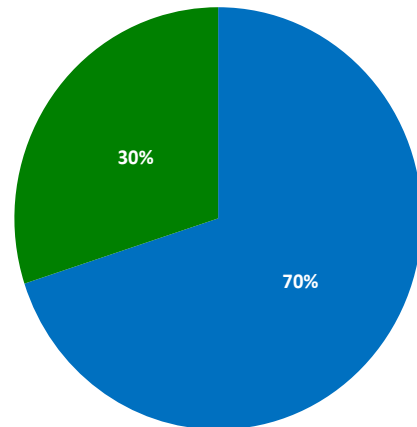
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Lumbosacral Plexus, Lower Limb and Lower Limb Nerve Injuries



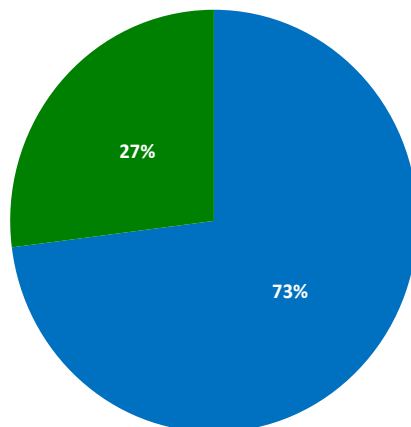
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Pathology: Lumps and Skin Cancers (Malignant Melanoma and Non-Melanoma)



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Pathology: Thyroid Pathologies and Cancers

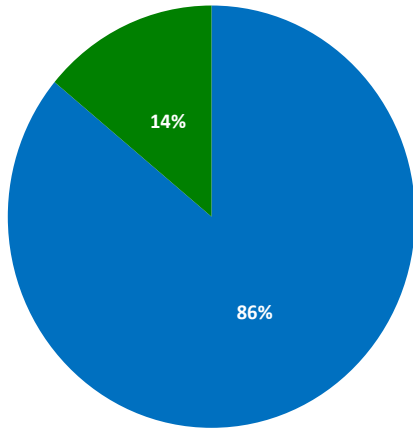


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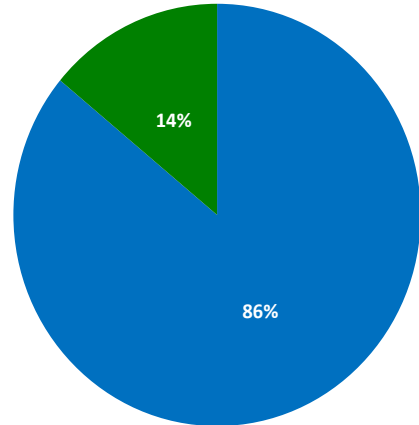
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Knot Tying



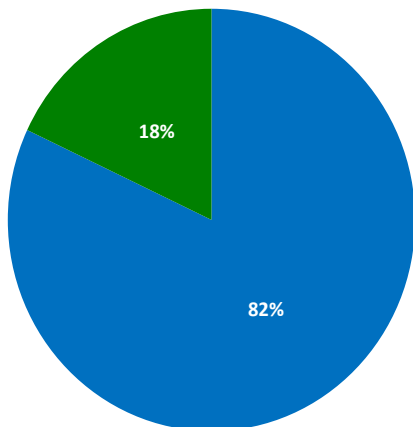
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Excision of a Lesion, Suturing, Sutures, and Suture Materials



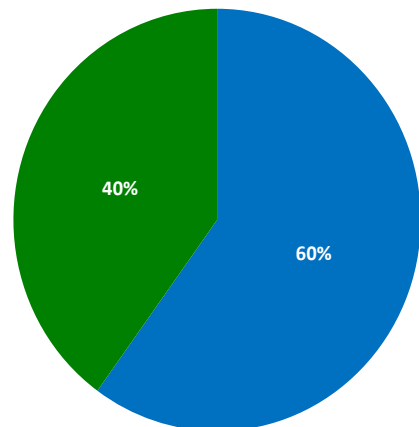
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Chest Drain Insertion



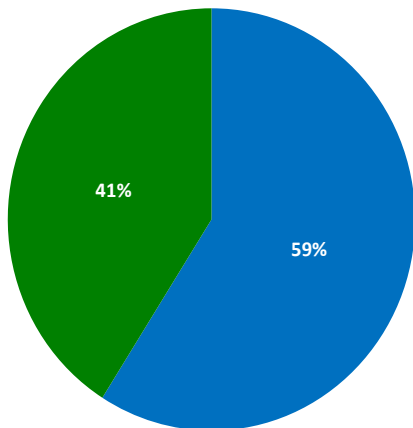
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ABG and Cannulation



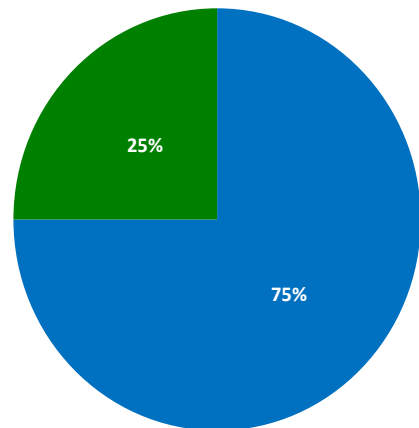
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Catheterisation



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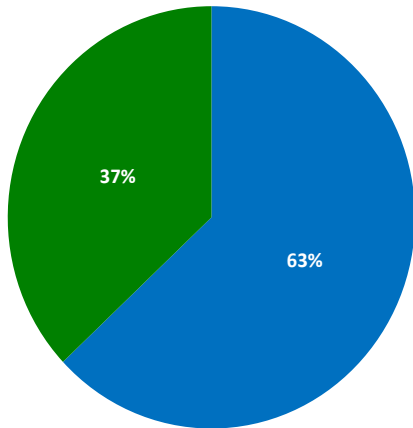
Wound Debridement and Excision of a Cyst



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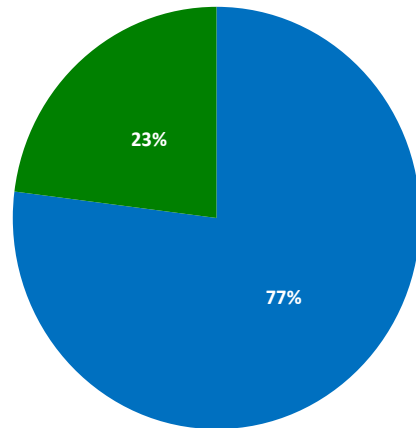
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Osteology of the Upper Limb and Lower Limb



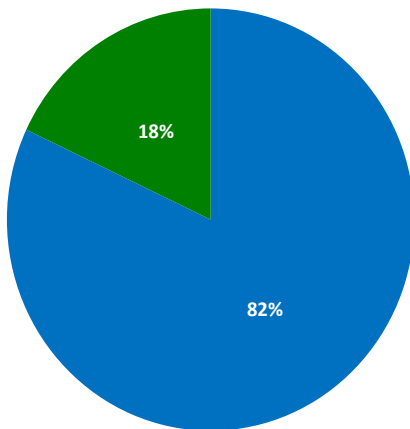
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Physiology 1: Respiratory Physiology



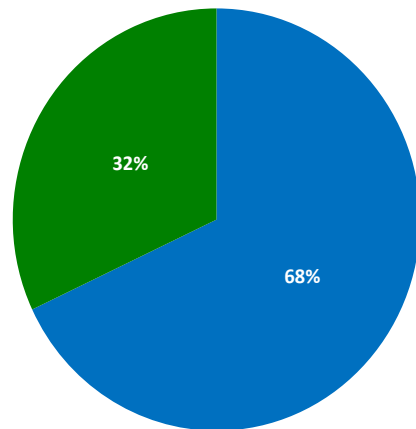
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Physiology 2: Neuro-Physiology



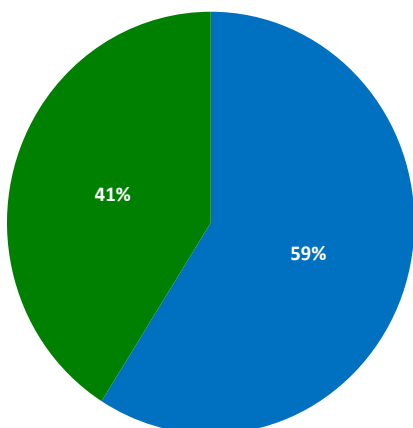
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Physiology 3: Gastrointestinal Physiology



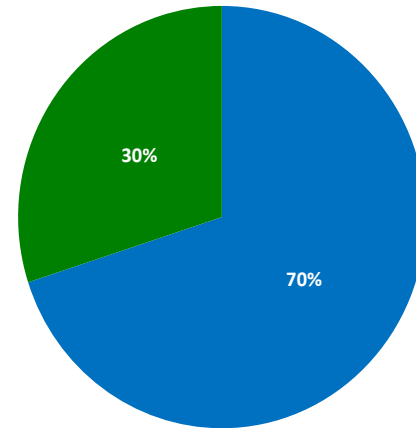
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Physiology 4: Cardiac-Related Physiology and ECGs



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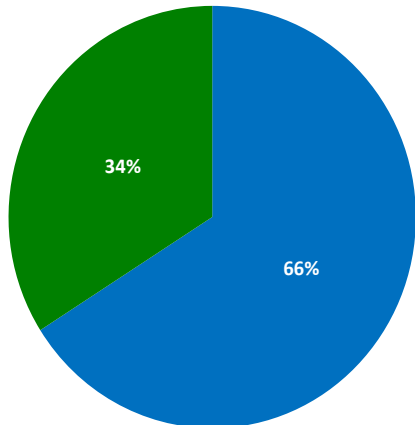
Physiology 5: General Physiology (Sepsis and Hypothermia)



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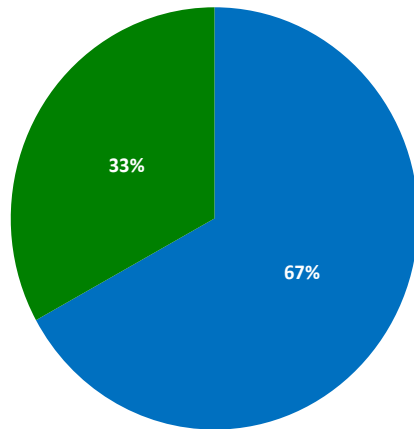
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### Wound Healing and Reconstruction (Grafts and Flaps)



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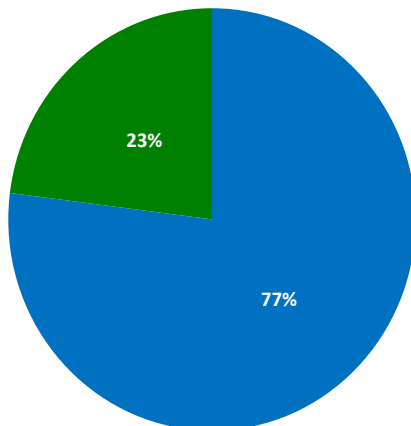
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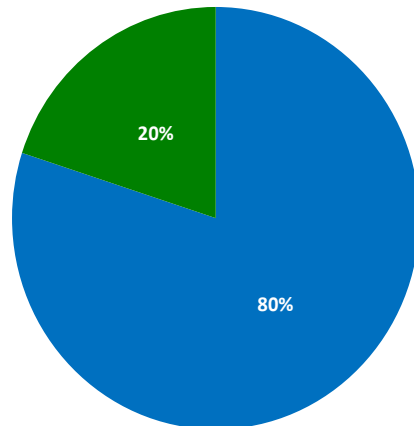
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### Dissection Room: Skull Base, Foramina and Mandible



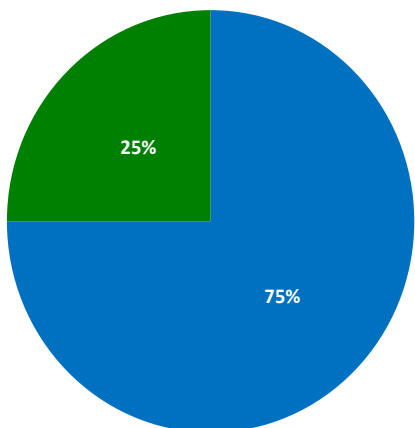
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### Dissection Room: Brain, Spinal Cord and Neurosciences



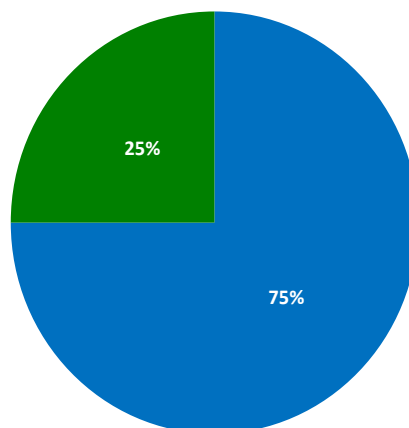
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### Dissection Room: Face and Neck



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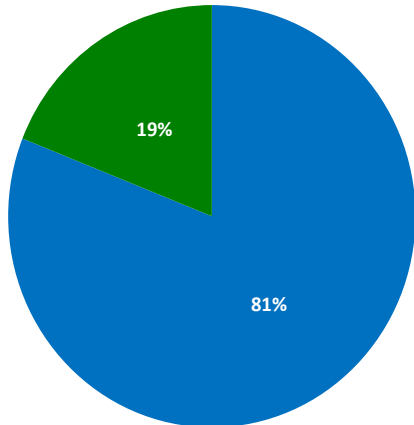
### Dissection Room: Heart, Lungs and Mediastinum



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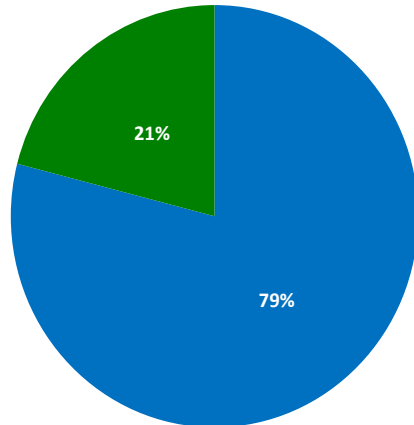
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Dissection Room: Upper Limb (Soft Tissue)



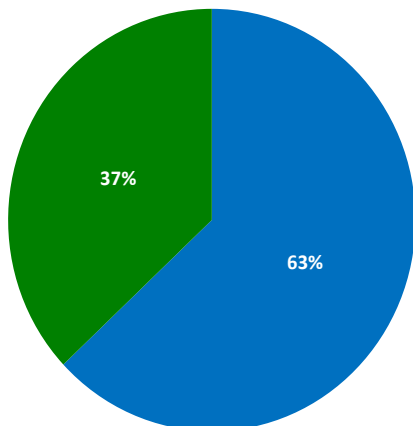
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Dissection Room: Lower Limb (Soft Tissue)



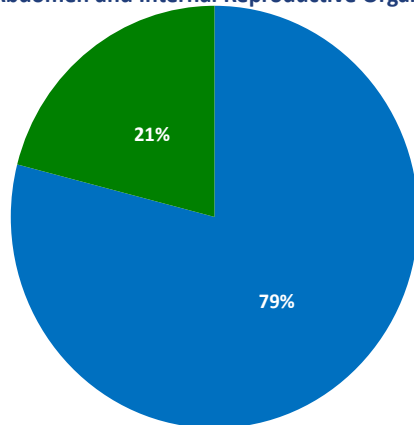
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Dissection Room: Anterior Abdominal Wall, Inguinal Canal, Stomach, and Small and Large Intestine



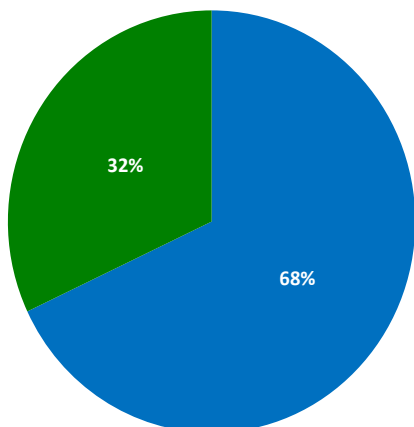
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Dissection Room: Solid Organs of the Abdomen and Internal Reproductive Organs



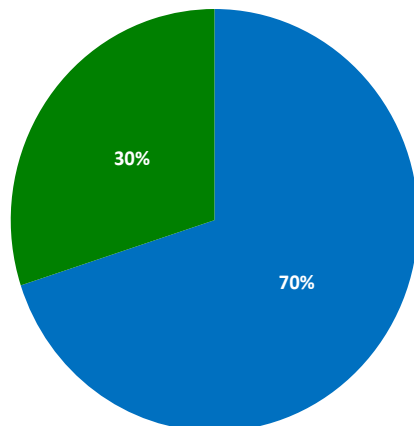
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Pathology 1: GI Pathology (Dysphagia, Barrett's, IBD, Polyps, Cancers)



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Pathology 2: GU Pathology (Groin Swellings; Cancers of the Testis, Prostate, Kidney, and Bladder)

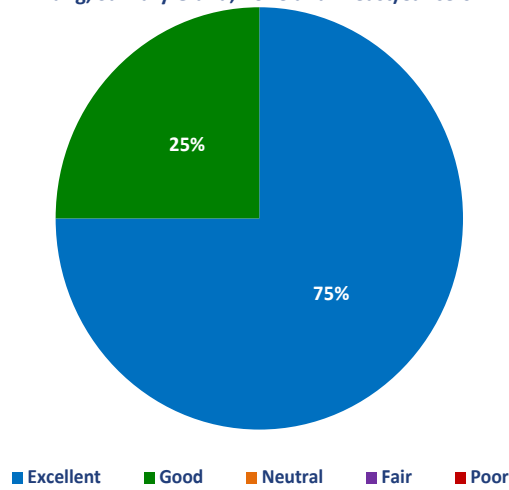


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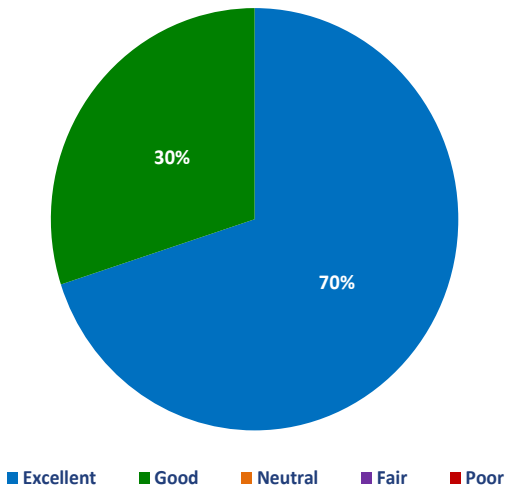
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Pathology 3: Other Pathologies (Tumours of the Lung, Salivary Gland, Bone and Breast)Cancers

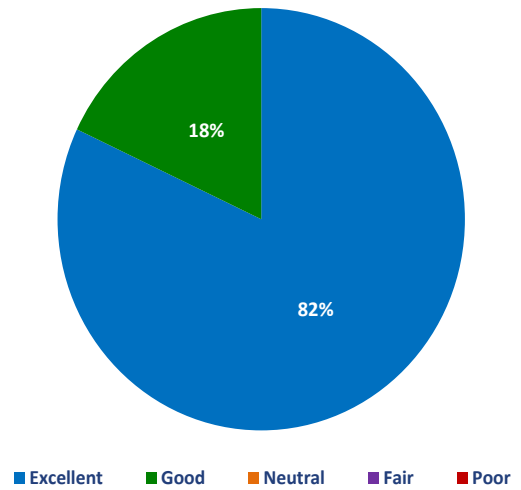


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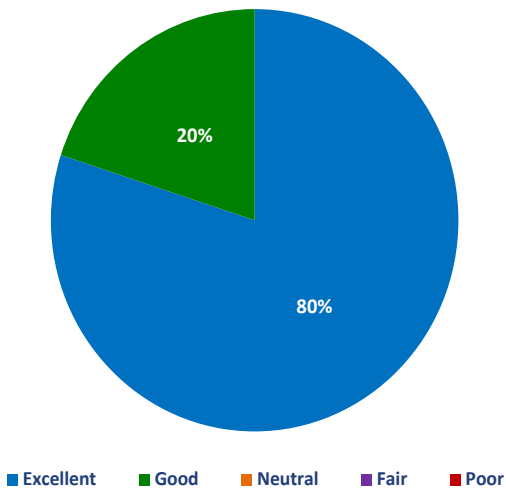
Examination of the Cranial Nerves



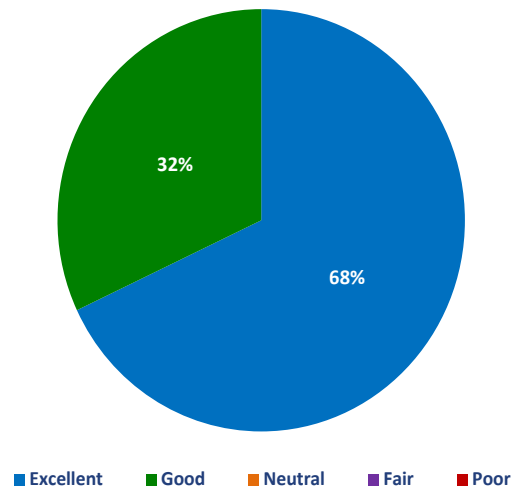
Examination of the Neck and Thyroid



Examination of the Hip and Knee

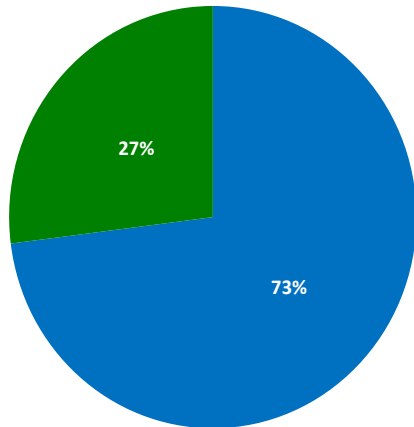


Examination of the Shoulder and Back



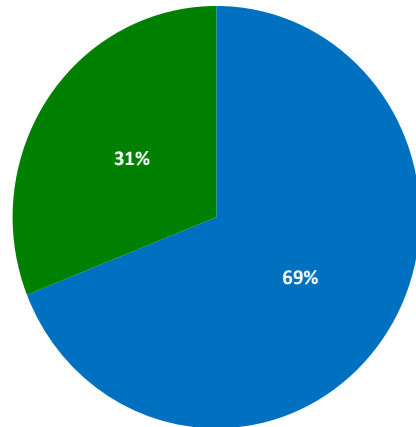
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Examination of the Cardiorespiratory System



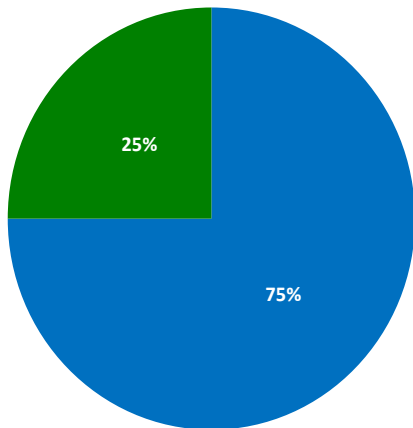
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Examination of the Abdomen



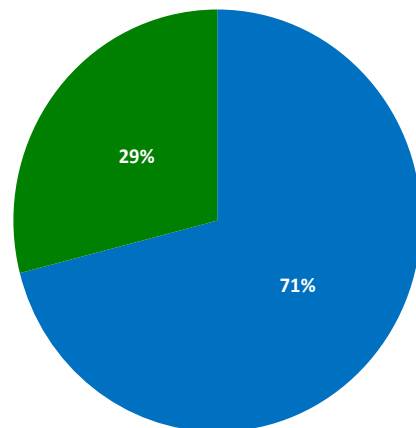
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Communication Skills: Back Pain (Metastatic Cancer), Information Giving for Acoustic Neuroma, and History Taking for Headache



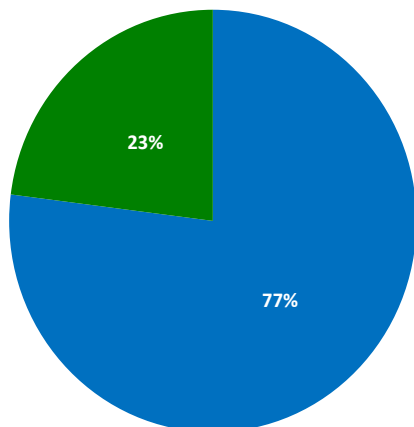
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Communication Skills: Consent for Superficial Parotidectomy, Information Giving for Broken CT Scanner, and Assessing Capacity



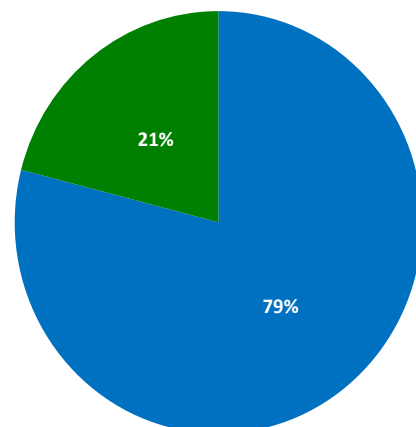
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Communication Skills: Cancelled Operation and Self-Discharge



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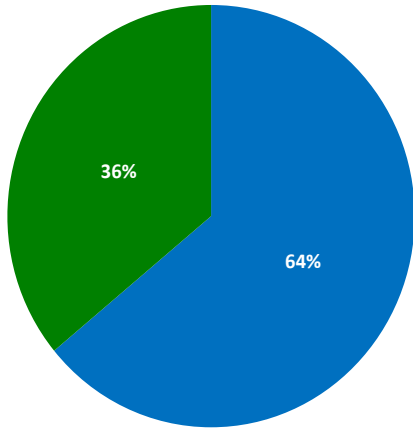
Communication Skills: Telephone Conversation with Consultant, Consent for Knee Arthroscopy, and Information Giving for Fasciotomy



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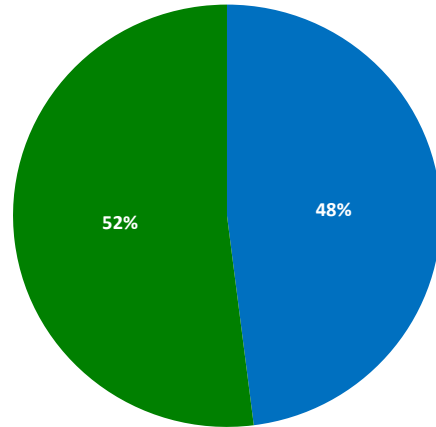
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Communication Skills: History Taking for PR Bleed, Consent for Colonoscopy, and Information Giving for Colorectal Cancer



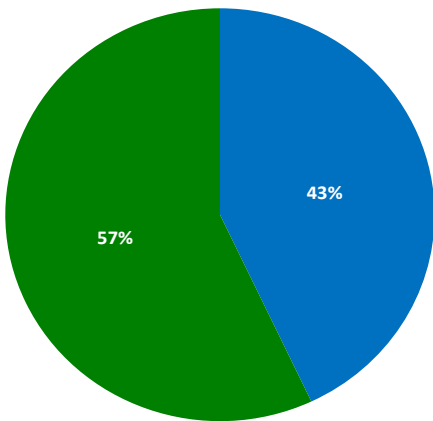
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How were the facilities and venue?



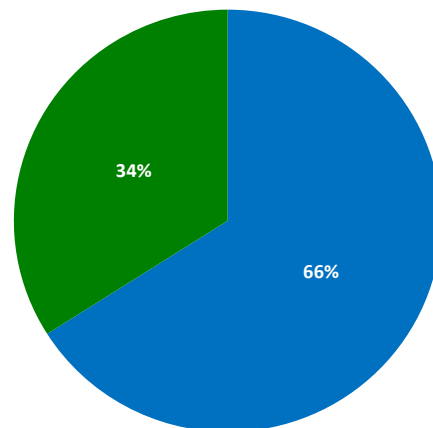
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How were the refreshments and lunch?



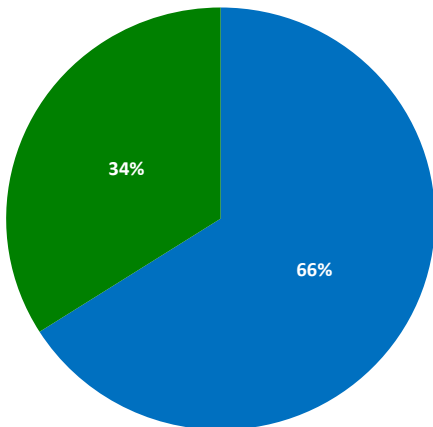
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Would you recommend this course to a friend?



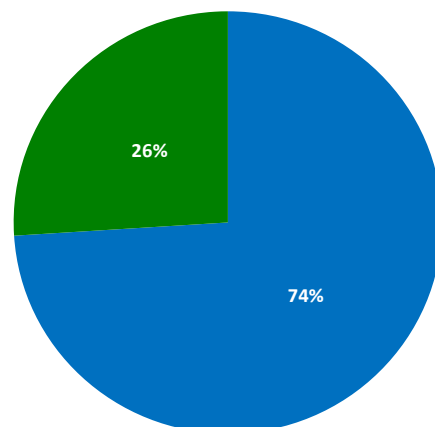
■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ Unlikely ■ Not at all

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



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

Did this course meet your learning objectives and help you to prepare for the exam?



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

## Individual Comments

Prof Enoch is incredibly knowledgeable and tailored the course well to a core trainee audience. All faculty were friendly and good educators

JY

*Bristol Royal Infirmary, Bristol, UK*

All tutors were very knowledgeable and friendly.

MP

*Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, UK*

All faculty members were very supportive and kind. Thank you.

MT

*Dokuz Eylul University Hospital, Izmir, Turkey*

Amazing Faculty, really helpful!

YM

*Russells Hall Hospital, Dudley, UK*

Amazing Faculty!

YM

*Russells Hall Hospital, Dudley, UK*

All faculty members were brilliant.

JL

*Southmead Hospital, Bristol, UK*

Neuro anatomy Station and heart and lungs teachers are good in helping us remember and differentiate the different anatomy parts.

HH

*Wrexham Maelor Hospital, Wrexham, UK*

Everyone was thorough and helpful.

TO

*Stoke Mandeville Hospital, Aylesbury, UK*

Very good teaching and knowledge off all faculty members.

SF

*Medical University Graz, Austria*

## Individual Comments

Very well organised.

**HK**  
*University Hospital of North Staffordshire, Stoke on Trent, UK*

All faculty were professional and very helpful in my learning process.

**NZ**  
*Mater Dei Hospital, Malta*

Prof Enoch's persistent energy and broad knowledge was inspiring.

**MG**  
*Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham, UK*

All the faculty were excellent.

**HO**  
*Delta State University Teaching Hospital, Oghara, Nigeria*

All staff were friendly, good communicators, and helpful.

**JY**  
*Bristol Royal Infirmary, Bristol, UK*

Very knowledgeable and professional.

**AH**  
*Royal Glamorgan Hospital, Llantrisant, UK*

Well motivated and approachable staff.

**MW**  
*The Grange University Hospital, Cwmbran, UK*

Brilliant faculty and very well provided for.

**JH**  
*Morrison Hospital, Swansea, UK*

All the faculty were very helpful and approachable for any queries I had. I think the dissection room teachings and the procedural skills stations were the most productive ones for me.

**BG**  
*Nepal Medical College, Kathmandu, Nepal*

All faculty extremely knowledgeable, helpful and friendly.

**AM**  
*Northampton General Hospital, Northampton, UK*

## Individual Comments

All of the faculty members, in all honesty, were amazing. No fault finding, no tiring sighs of many questions asked. Many thanks again.

**WA**

***Western Sussex Hospitals NHS (St Richard'S Hospital at Chichester), UK***

Everybody was superb.

**HJ**

***University Hospital of North Staffordshire, Stoke on Trent, UK***

All the faculty were great in supporting our learning.

**BT**

***Croydon Health Services (formerly Mayday), UK***



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