





# The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh Future Surgeons: Key Skills

This one-day course was led by consultants and aimed at junior doctors who wish to pursue a career in surgery. Through the introduction of safe, basic surgical techniques which are common to all surgical practices, the course intended to provide the delegates with a structured programme in order to help them learn basic surgical skills and techniques.

#### **Features and Highlights:**

The course was tutored and supervised by consultant surgeons from various disciplines.

It was a practical course with a high tutor-to-participant ratio.

It was delivered using a series of tutor demonstrations and hands-on sessions where participants were able to work on animal tissue.

This was an official course of The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh which was specifically aimed at junior doctors who intend to pursue a career in surgery.

The delegates received a certificate from The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh and from Doctors Academy.



#### **Course Information**

Course date: 23rd November 2018

Venue: Arrowe Park Hospital, Wirral

Attendance: 20 Delegates

Aimed at: Junior doctors interested in

pursing a career in surgery.

**Senior Medical Students also** 

welcome.

Course fee: £95.00

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#### **Learning Outcomes:**

- o To demonstrate safe practice when gowning and gloving.
- To handle commonly used surgical instruments in a safe and effective manner.
- o To create secure 'Reef' and 'Surgeons' knots.
- o To pick up and safely drive a needle through tissue with accurate bite placement.
- o To perform an interrupted suture close to a wound.
- o To demonstrate the steps for excising a skin lesion under local anaesthesia.
- o To excise a subcutaneous cyst.
- o To drain a superficial abscess.
- o To be able to debride a traumatic wound.
- o To perform basic techniques used for endoscopy.
- o To explain the principles of using safe diathermy.

# **Course Programme**

0830	Registration	
0850	Introduction	Mr Geoffrey Hooper
0900	Gowning and Gloving	Mr Geoffrey Hooper
0940	Handling Instruments	Mr Paul Fisher
1015	<ul><li>Knot-Tying (1)</li><li>Reef knot</li><li>Instrument tie</li></ul>	Mr Geoffrey Hooper

1100 - 1115	Refreshment Break	
1115	Knot-Tying (2) • Surgeon knot	Mr Paul Fisher
1200	Suturing  • Needle manipulation  • Interrupted sutures  • Sub-cuticular absorbable sutures  • Assisting  • Continuous suture	Mr Geoffrey Hooper

1300 - 1340	Lunch Break	
1340	LA Techniques, Skin Lesions & Wound Management • Skin lesions • Cyst removal	Mr Venkat Srinivasan
	<ul><li>Abscess drainage &amp; excision</li><li>Debridement</li></ul>	Mr Paul Fisher Mr Paul Fisher
1440	Diathermy	Mr Geoffrey Hooper
1510	Laparoscopy Skills  • Hand-eye co-ordination  • Polo mints exercise  • Sugar cubes exercise	Mr Paul Fisher
1610	Question and Answer Session	All Faculty
1630	Feedback and Close	

## **Faculty**

### **Course Convenor**

# Mr Venkat Srinivasan, MBBS, FRCS Ed, FRCS (ORL)

Consultant ENT Surgeon
Arrowe Park Hospital, Wirral

#### **Faculty**

### Mr Geoffrey Hooper, MMSc, MD, FRCS, FRCS Ed (Orth)

Retired Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon Surgical Tutor - Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh

### Mr Paul Fisher, FRCS

Consultant General Surgeon Caithness General Hospital, Wick

### **Assisting**

### Mr David Cartlidge, MBChB, MRCS

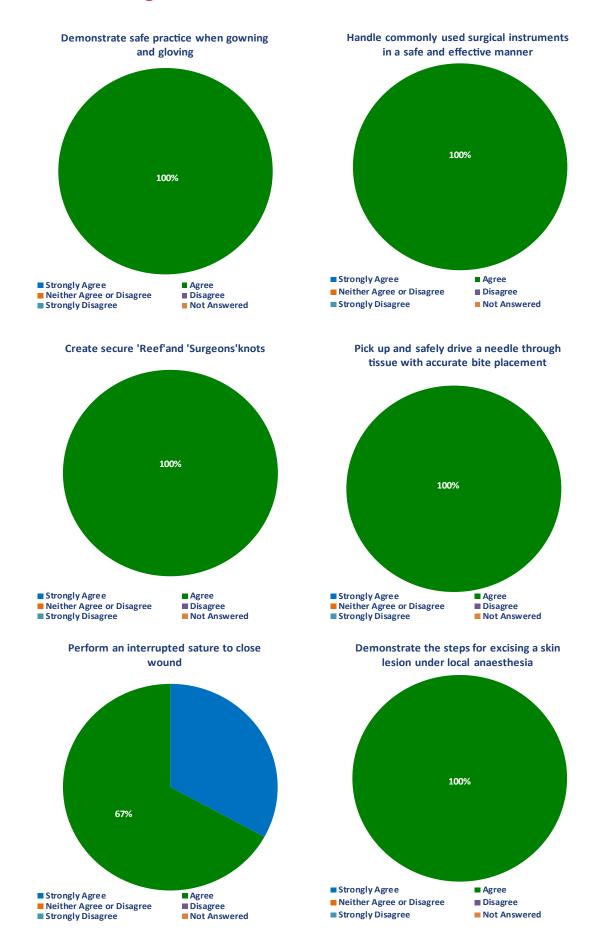
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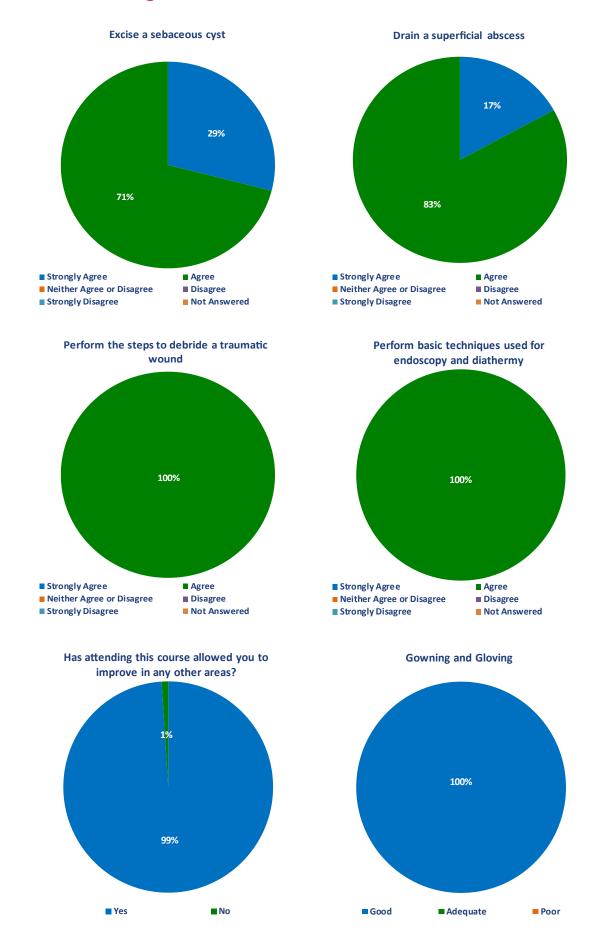
### Mr Richard Siau, MBBS, MRCS

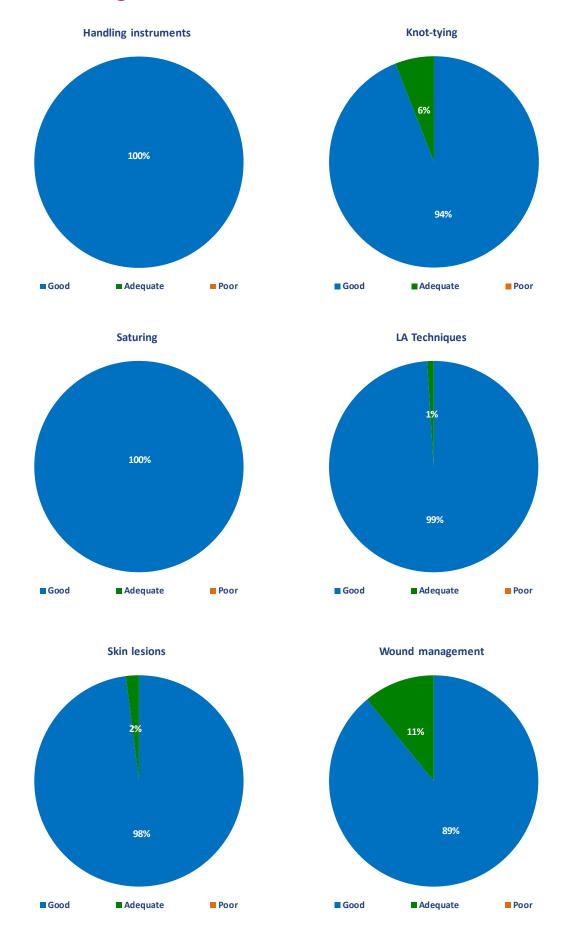
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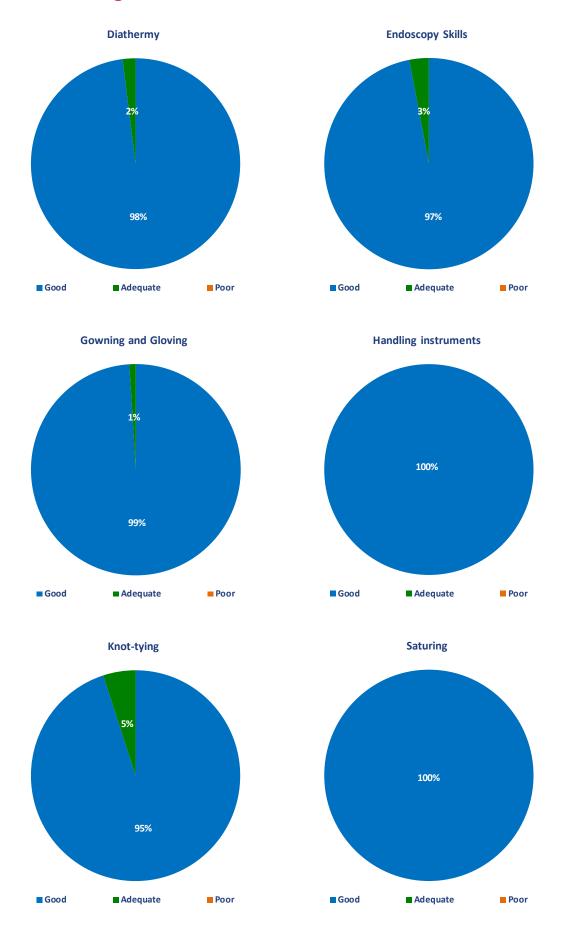
### Mr Wai Phyo, MBBS

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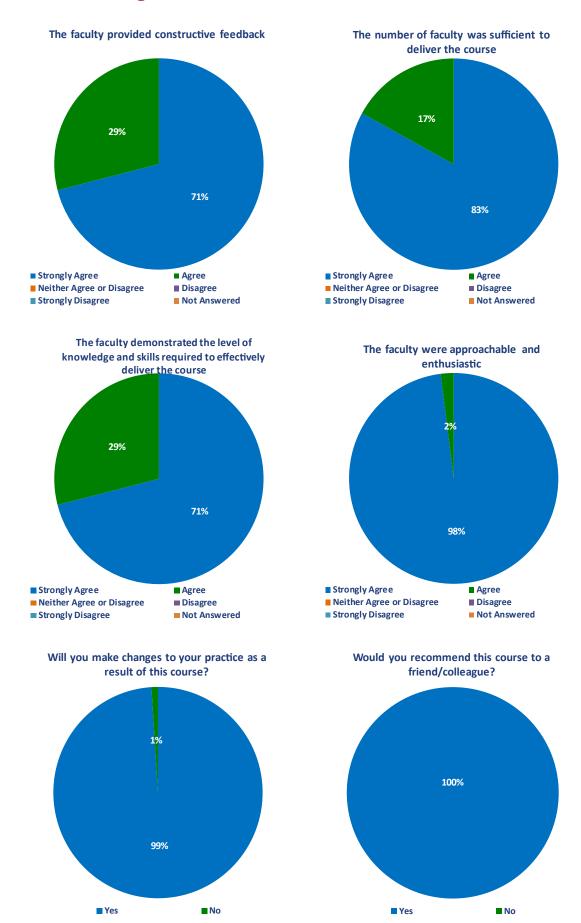




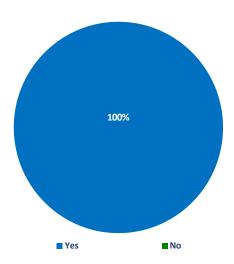




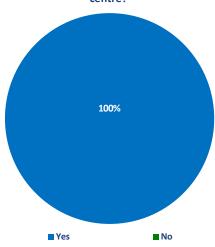




Did the course meet your expectation?



Would you attend another course at this centre?



## **Individual Comments**

- The individual instruction the faculty were giving was excellent and made all the difference in my learning.
- Numbers of faculty, knot tying.
- I really liked all the hands-on workshops, particularly suturing, wound debridement and drainage of an abscess.
- Everything was great.
- Laparoscopy and suturing.



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- Future Surgeons: Key Skills (RCSEd delivered)
- Structured Introduction to Surgical Skills

#### Postgraduate:

- MRCS Part A
- MRCEM Part A
- MRCS Part B OSCE
- DOHNS: Intensive Revision & OSCE
- Intercollegiate Basic Surgical Skills (RCSEd delivered)
- MRCP PACES Part 2
- FRCS (General Surgery) Exit Exam
- Cadaveric Ultrasound-Guided Musculoskeletal Intervention Course
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