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The Christie - Doctors Academy FRCS (Gen Surg) Section 2 Course: Theory, Vivas and Clinical Examination

Feedback - December 2023

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The highly popular Christie-Doctors Academy FRCS (Gen Surg) Section 2 Course was conducted as a hybrid course divided into two components, as outlined below. Delegates could choose to attend the full course (which was recommended) or only the face-to-face component of the course.

There were six evenings of interactive discussions held via Zoom before the face-to-face component. These took place on Monday 4th December, Tuesday 5th December, Thursday 7th December, Monday 11th December, Tuesday 12th December and Thursday 14th December 2023. These sessions covered the following core topics in the FRCS syllabus (JCIE): Breast Surgery, Benign Upper GI Surgery, Malignant Upper GI Surgery, Benign Lower GI Surgery, Malignant Lower GI Surgery, HPB Surgery, Endocrine Surgery, Transplant Surgery, Trauma, Critical Care, and Statistics.

The face-to-face component of the course was held on Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th January 2024 at The Christie Hospital in Manchester. On Saturday 6th January, there were focused vivas in General Surgery, in the delegate's selected subspeciality, academic surgery (reading a paper/basic science/statistics), and trauma and critical care. On Sunday 7th January, there were patient-focused clinical examination on real patients, as well as discussion on radiology and pathology. There were no lectures during the face-to-face component of the course, and the entire weekend was dedicated to vivas, discussions, and clinical examination of patients.

The highlights of this course included a high tutor-to-delegate ratio, coverage of all essential and high-yield theory, updates on current advances in all sub-specialities, vivas in all areas as in the exam, and clinical examination of patients.

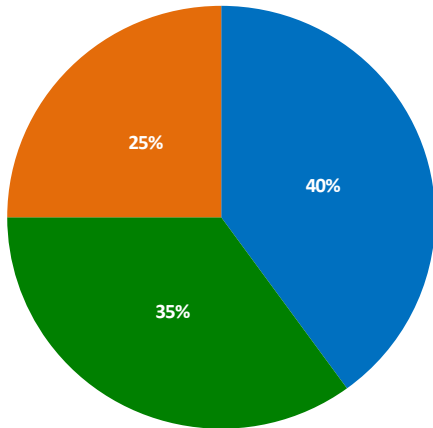
Course Information

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| Venue: | Christie Hospital, Manchester |
| Dates: | 4th, 5th, 7th, 11th, 12th and 14th December 2023; Online Sessions |
| Attendance: | 38 Delegates |
| Aimed at: | ST5 or above/SpR Year 3 or above in General Surgery |
| Course Fee: | £580.00 |



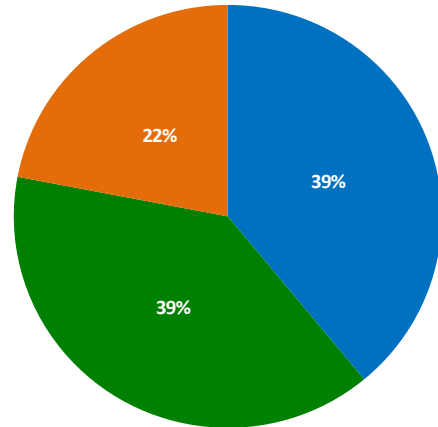
Overall Feedback

Colorectal Surgery (Benign) - Miss K. Boyle



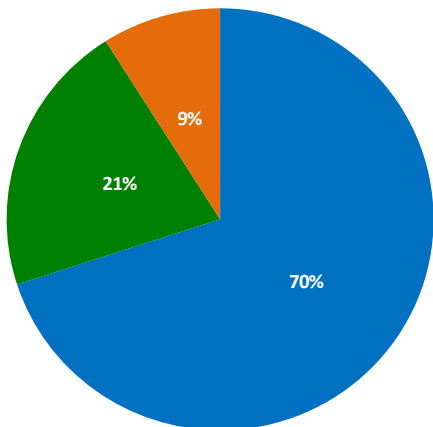
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UGI Surgery (Malignant) - Mr A. Sud



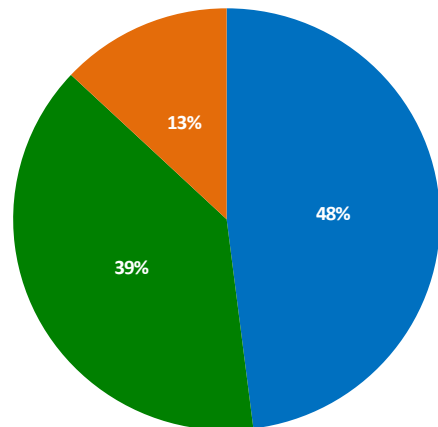
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Colorectal Surgery (Malignant) - Mr J. Wild



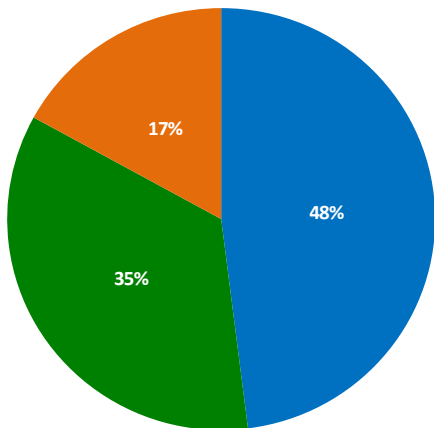
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HPB Surgery - Mr R. Deshpande



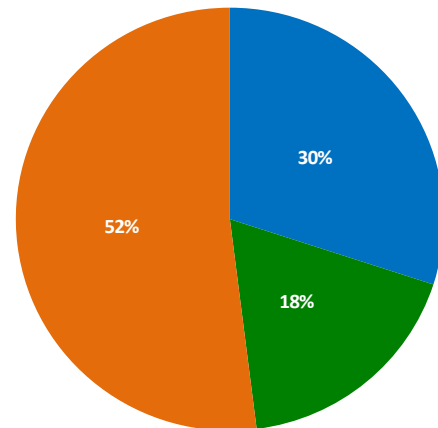
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UGI Surgery (Benign) - Mr A. Menon



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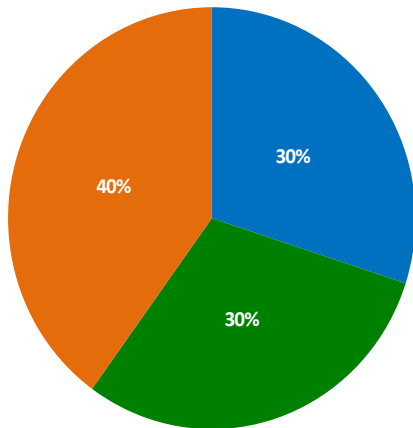
Critical Care for Surgeons - Mr H. Garrard



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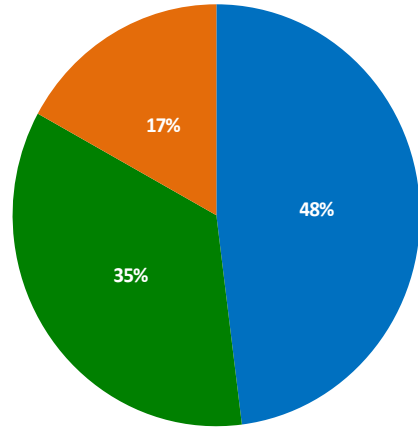
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Transplant Surgery - Mr R. Singh



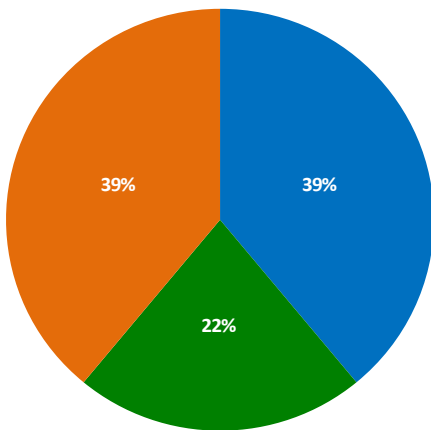
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Trauma Surgery - Mr N. Misra



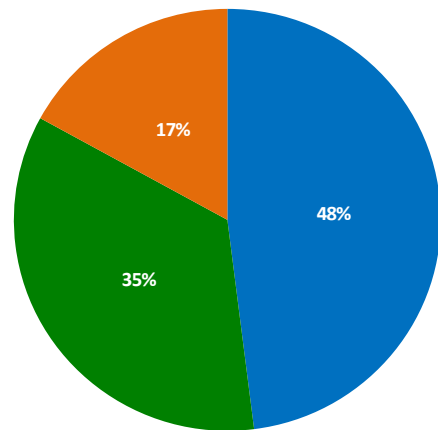
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Abdominal Wall Hernia Surgery - Mr S. Chintapatla



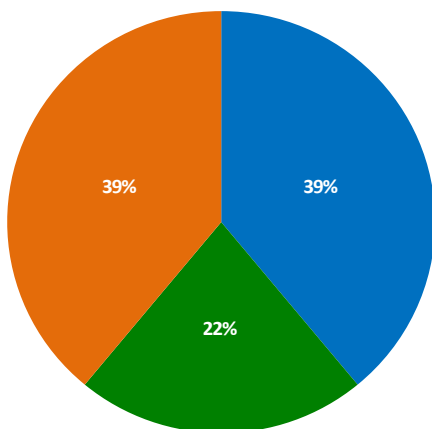
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Endocrine Surgery - Mr N. Houghton



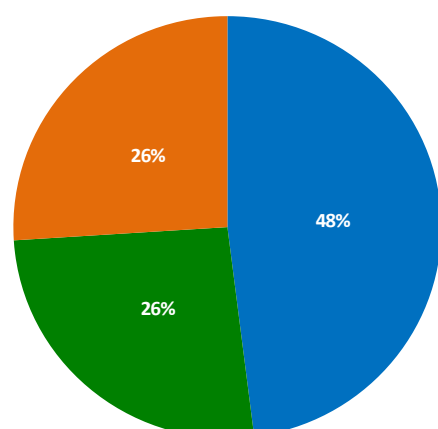
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Vascular Surgery - Mr S. Rajagopalan



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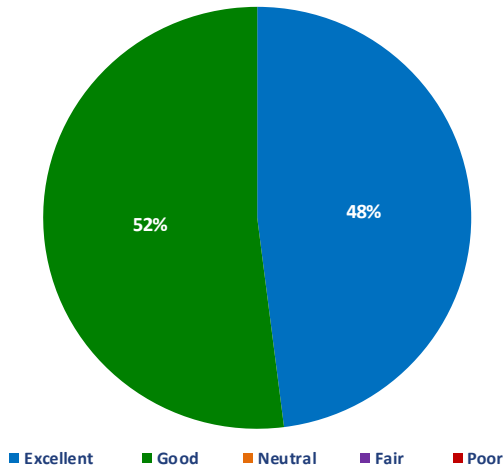
Breast Surgery - Miss J. Morgan



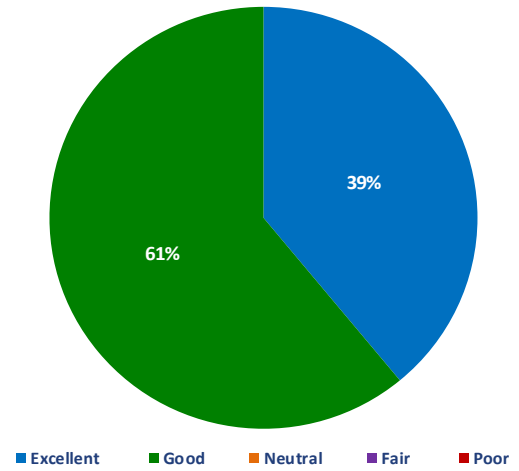
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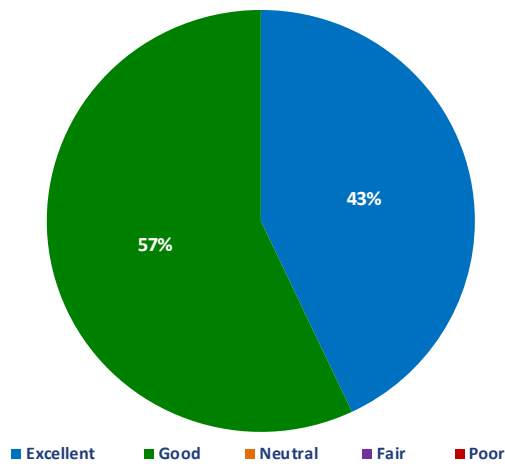
How was the content of the sessions?



How would you rate the relevance of the sessions to your exam preparation?



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



Individual Comments

Excellent course, well organised. Useful discussions.

Ahmed Taha
Cork University Hospital, Cork, Republic of Ireland

Well conducted very effective course, relevant to FRCS section 2 preparation. I will recommend participant to attend the online course in the beginning of preparation so that the content provided can be utilised.

Ashrafun Nessa
Aberdeen Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen, UK



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