

Cardiff MRCS Part B OSCE Programme (Five-Day Attendance Course and Online Educational Content)



Feedback - September 2026

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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

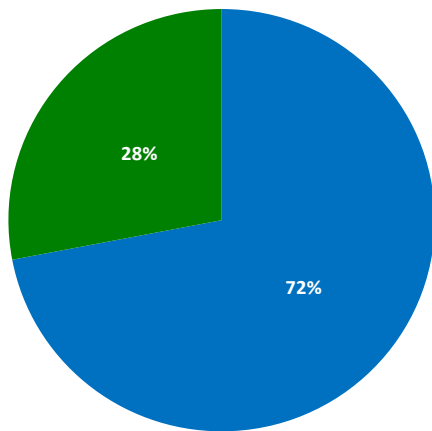
Venue:	College of Physicians and Surgeons of Cardiff, Cardiff Bay, Cardiff; School of Biosciences, Cardiff University
Dates:	9th - 13th September 2026
Attendance:	44 Delegates
Aimed at:	Candidates Preparing for the MRCS OSCE Examination
Course Fee:	£945.00



Overall Feedback

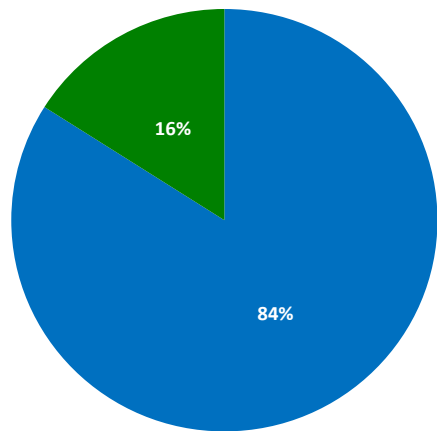
Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th September 2026

Skull Base, Head and Face



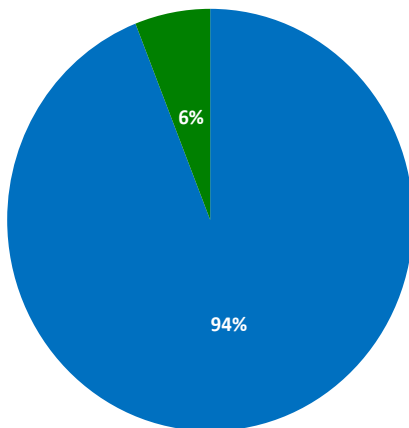
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Neck, Larynx, Soft Palate, and Pharynx



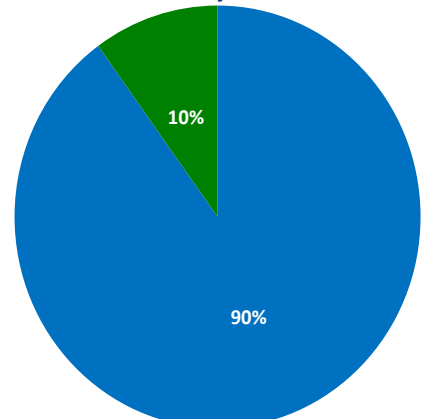
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Thorax, Mediastinum, Heart, and Lungs



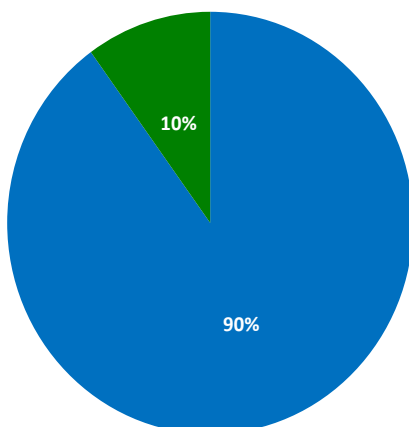
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Brachial Plexus, Upper Limb and Upper Limb Nerve Injuries



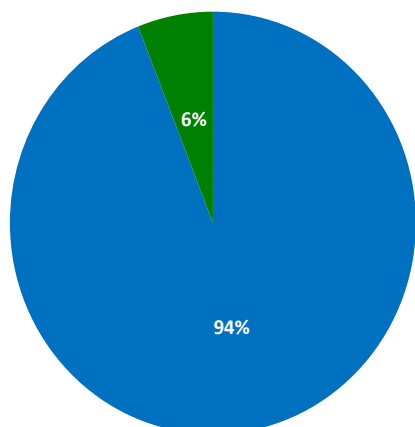
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General Abdomen



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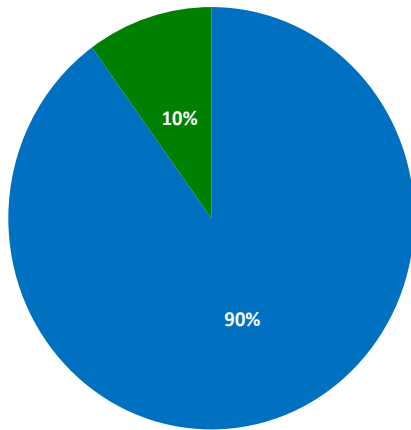
Abdominal Organs (Solid and Hollow)



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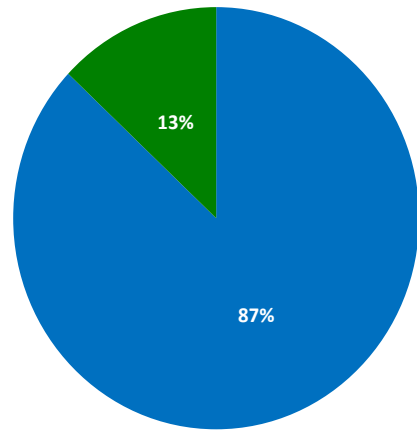
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Pelvis and Perineum



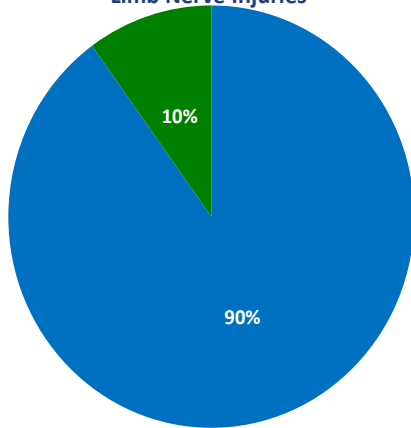
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Spinal Cord and Spinal Cord Syndromes



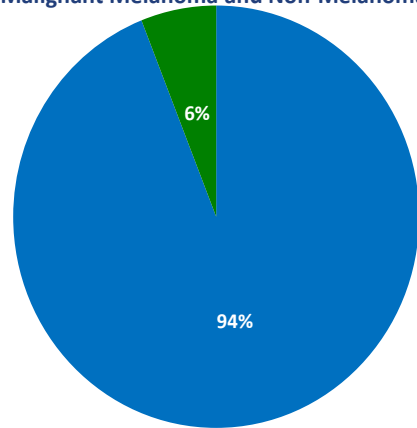
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Lumbosacral Plexus, Lower Limb and Lower Limb Nerve Injuries



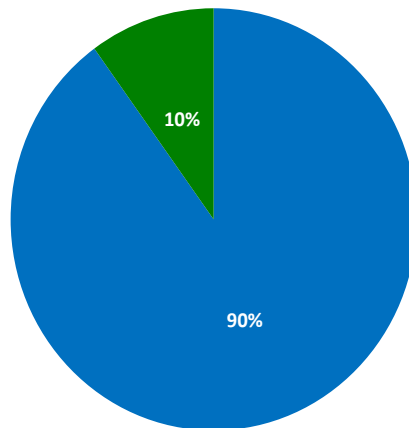
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Pathology: Lumps and Skin Cancers (Malignant Melanoma and Non-Melanoma)



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Pathology: Thyroid Pathologies and Cancers

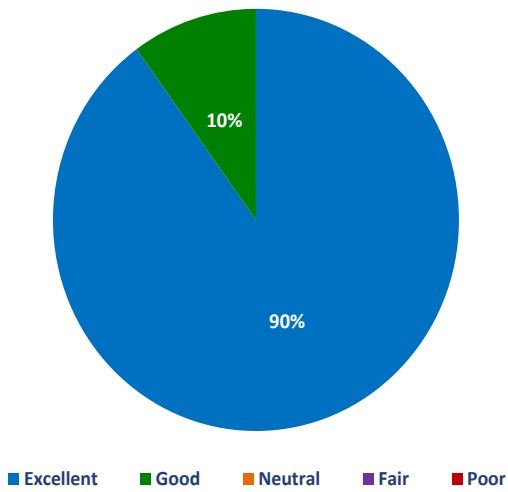


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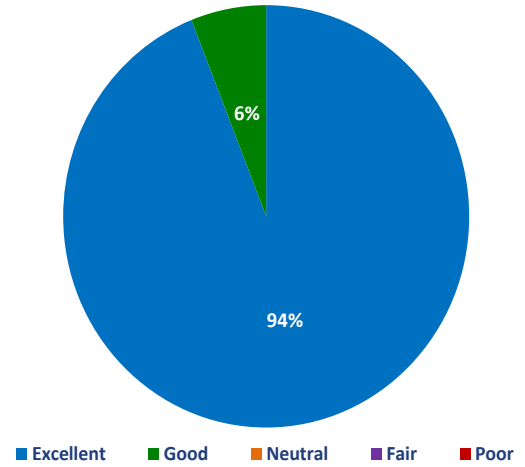
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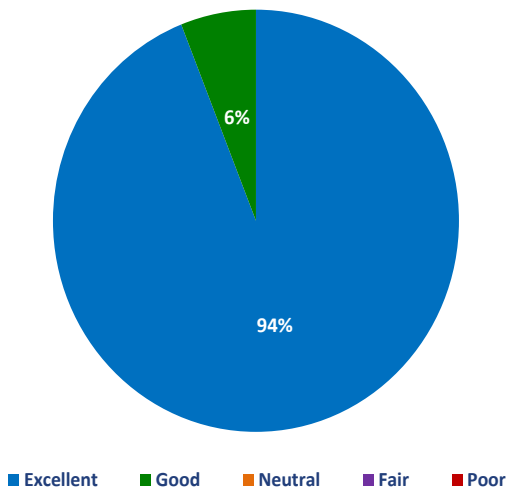
Knot Tying



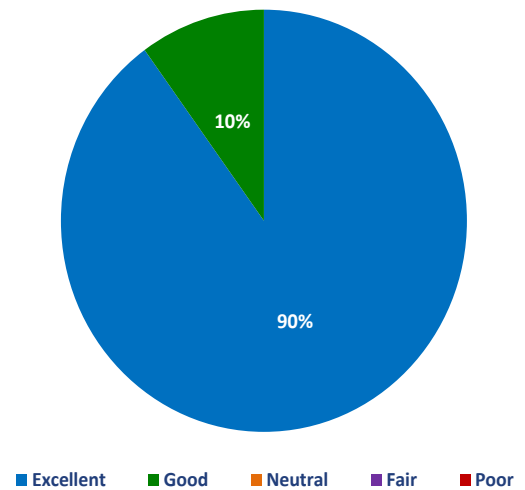
Excision of a Lesion, Suturing, Sutures, and Suture Materials



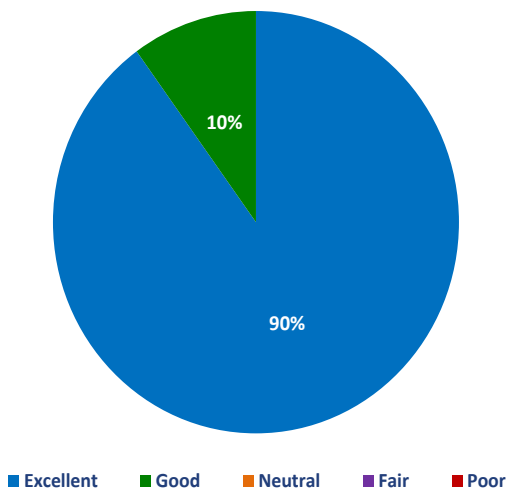
Chest Drain Insertion



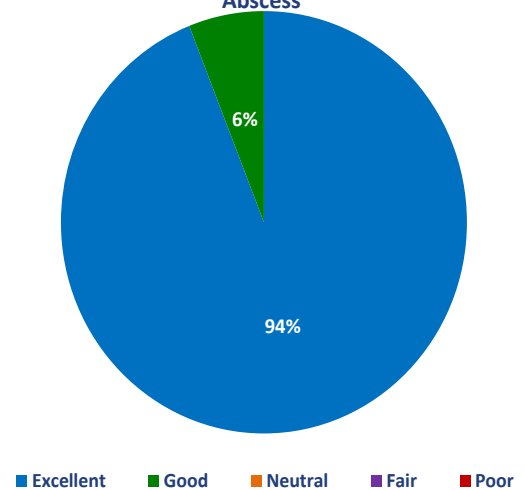
ABG and Cannulation



Catheterisation

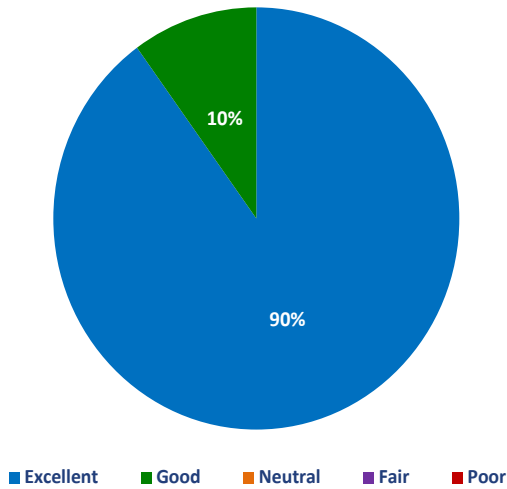


Wound Debridement and Drainage of an Abscess

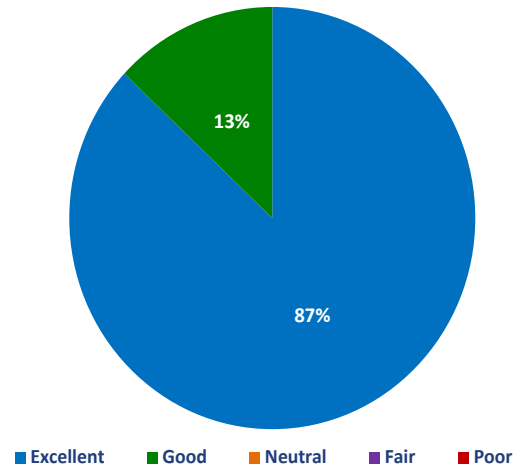


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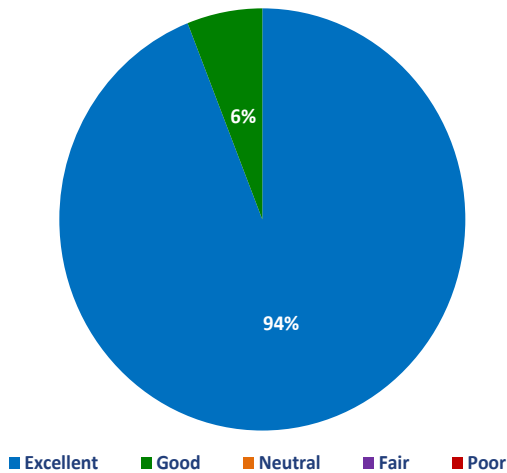
Physiology 1: ECGs and Mitral Stenosis



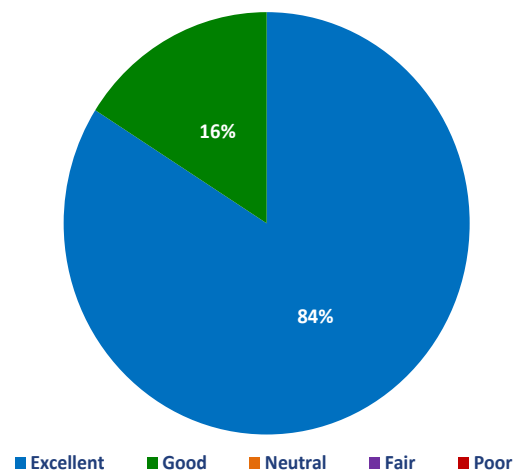
Physiology 2: Lower Limb Trauma and Compartment Syndrome, Unstable Pelvic Fracture, and Fat Embolism



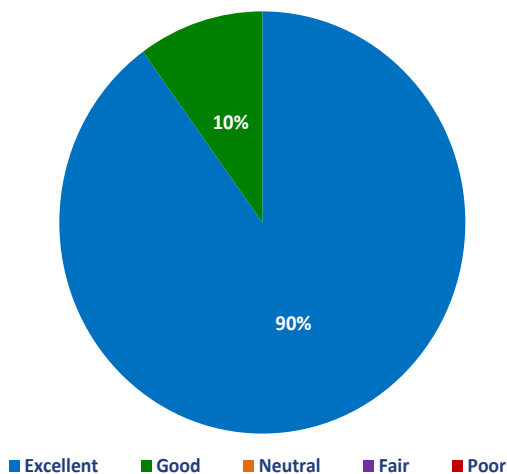
Physiology 3: Subarachnoid Haemorrhage, Head Injury, and Death by Neurological Criteria



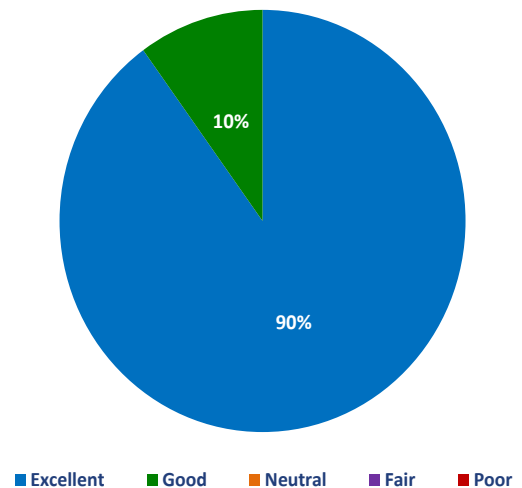
Physiology 4: Renal Failure, ABG, and Calcium Metabolism



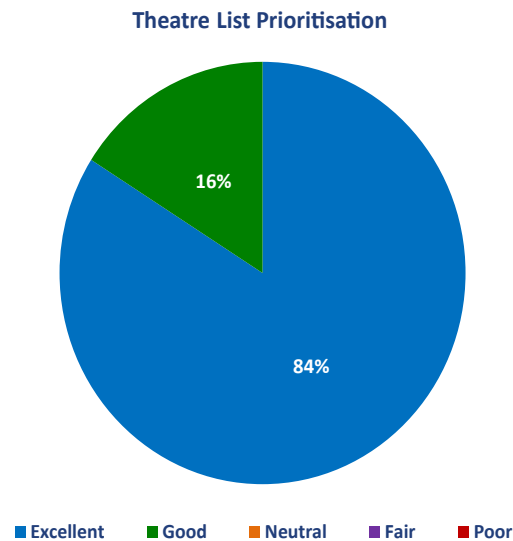
Physiology 5: Malignant Hyperthermia, Pneumonia Post-AAA Repair, and Bleeding and Coagulation



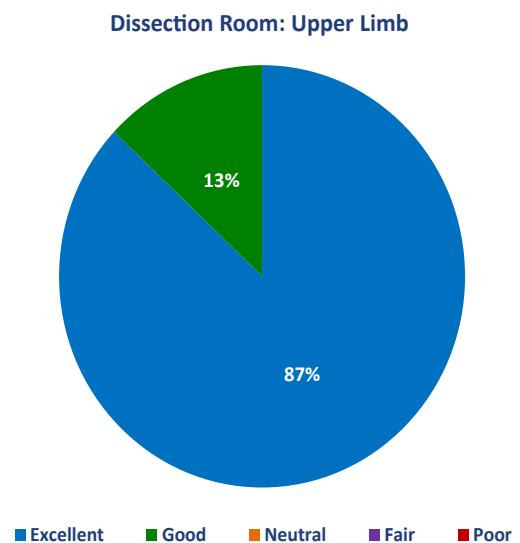
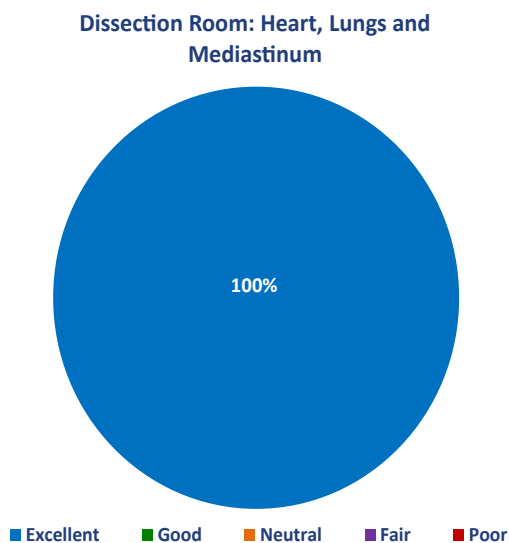
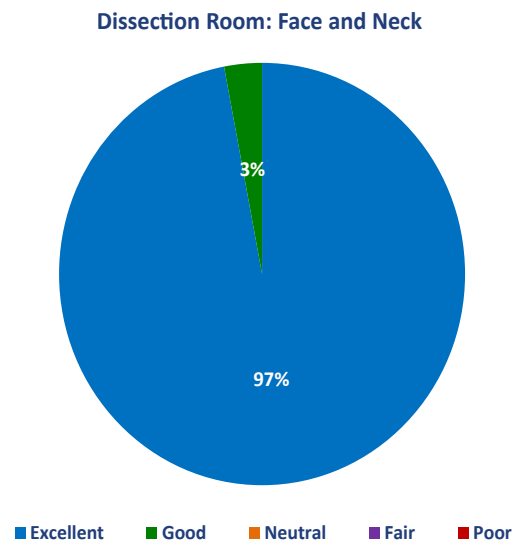
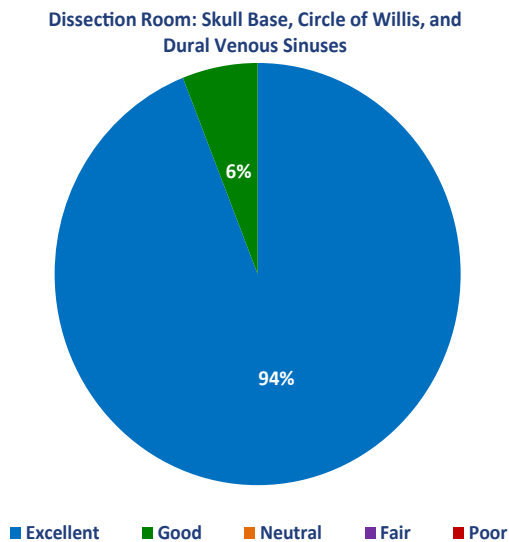
Physiology 6: Burns and Cushing's



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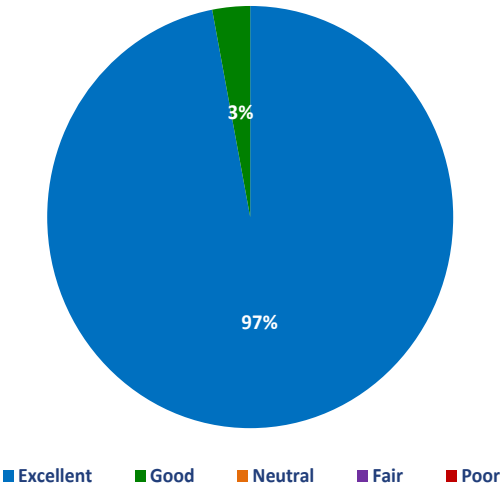


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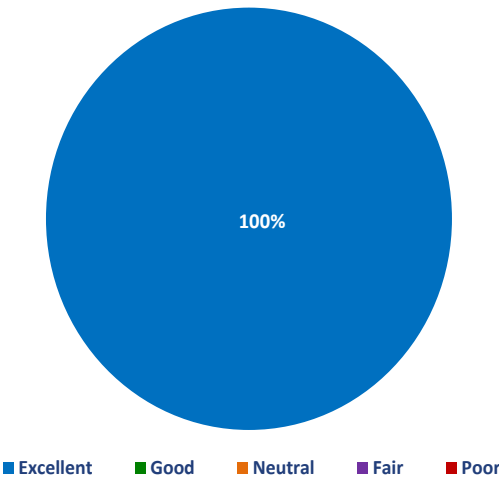


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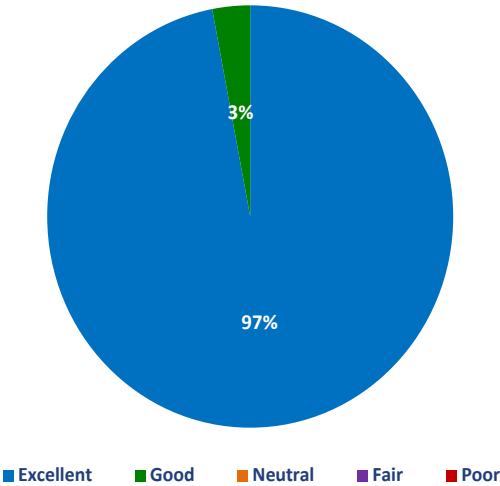
Dissection Room: Lower Limb



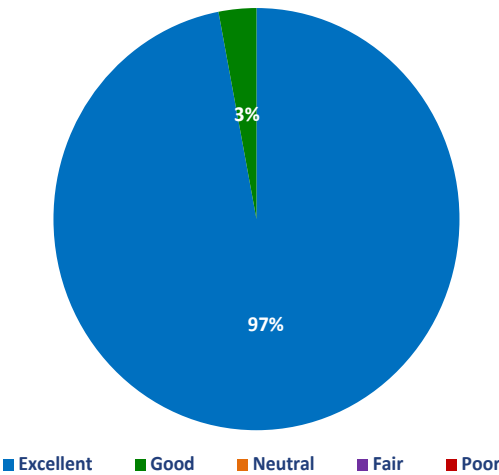
Dissection Room: Anterior Abdominal Wall, Inguinal Canal, and Small and Large Intestine



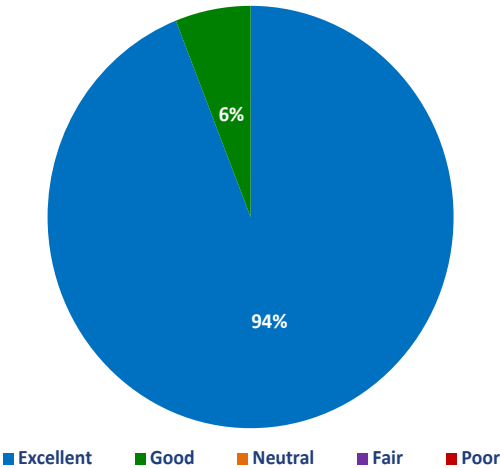
Dissection Room: Vascular Anatomy



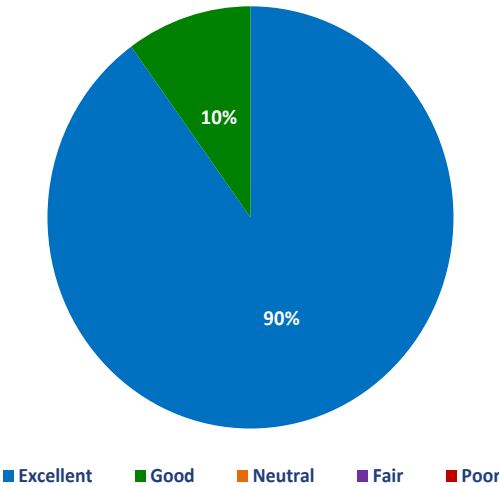
Dissection Room: Solid Organs of the Abdomen (Liver, Spleen, Gallbladder, Pancreas, and Kidneys) and Stomach



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

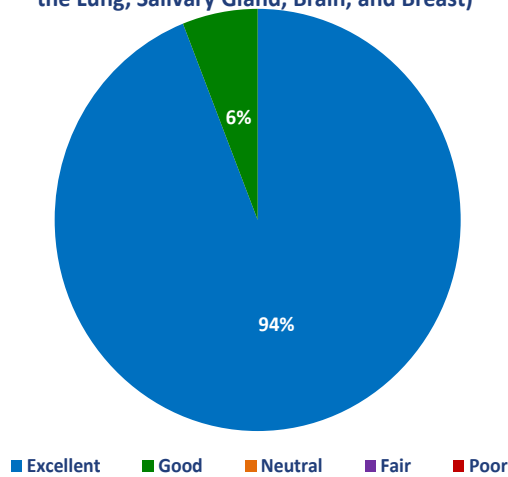


Pathology 2: GU Pathology (Inguinoscrotal Swellings; Cancers of the Testis, Prostate, Kidney, and Bladder)



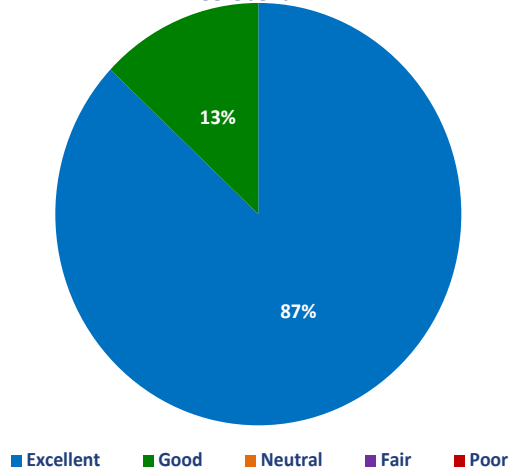
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Pathology 3: Other Pathologies (Tumours of the Lung, Salivary Gland, Brain, and Breast)

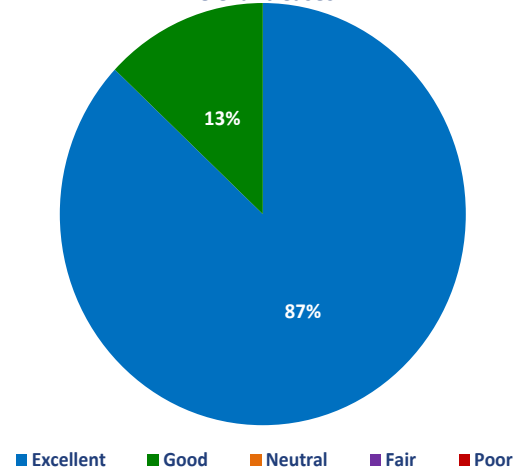


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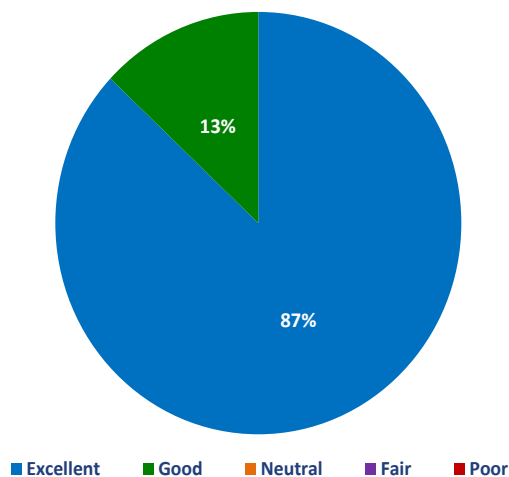
Examination of the Cranial Nerves and Cerebellum



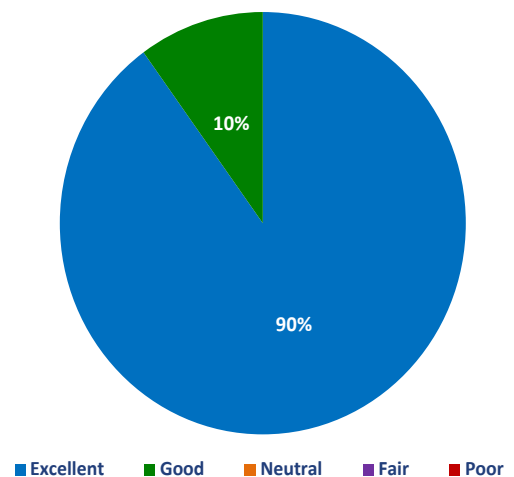
Examination of the Cardiac System and Relevant Cases



Examination of the Hip and Knee

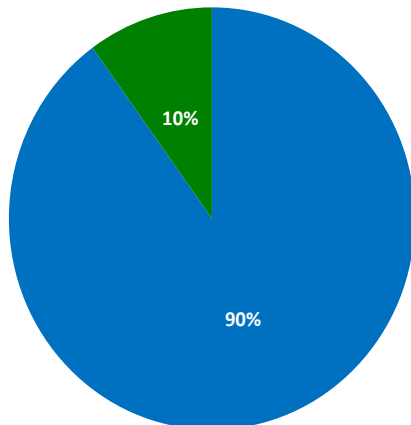


Examination of the Shoulder and Back



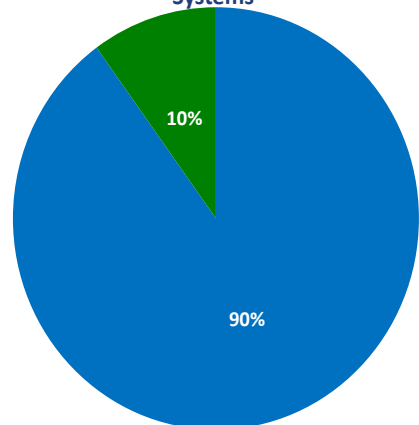
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Examination of the Abdomen, Abdominal Conditions, and AV Fistula



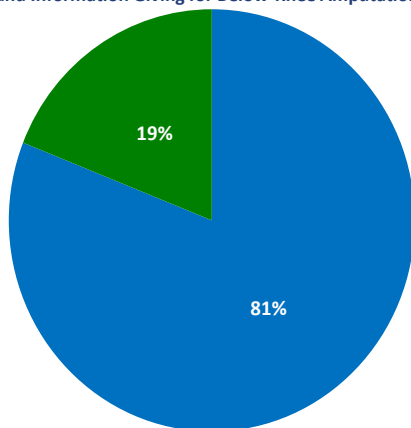
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Examination of the Arterial and Venous Systems



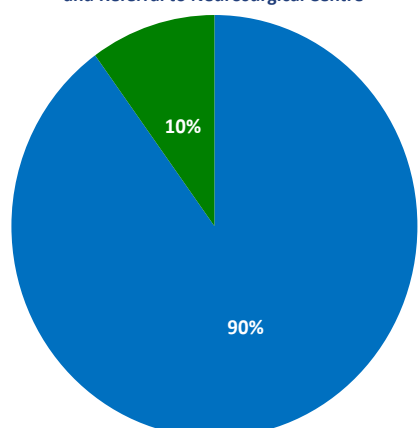
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Communication Skills: Information Giving for Peripheral Arterial Disease, Information Giving for TIA, and Information Giving for Below-Knee Amputation



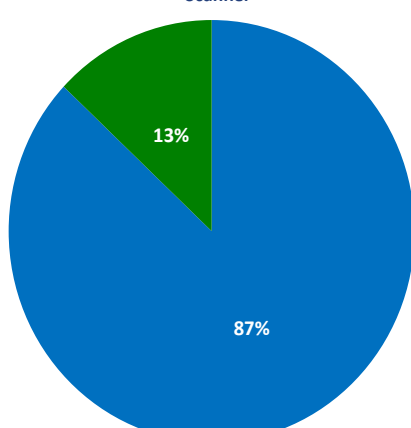
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Communication Skills: Information Giving for Extradural Haematoma, Explaining Anticoagulation, and Referral to Neurosurgical Centre



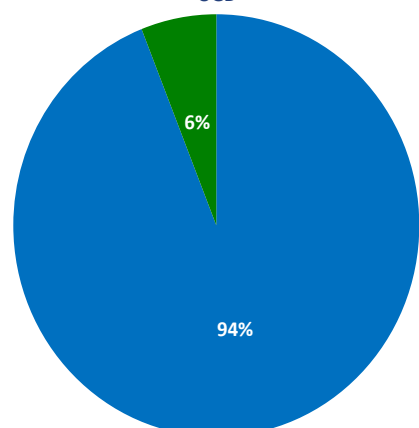
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Communication Skills: Cancelled Operation, Self-Discharge, and Information Giving for Broken CT Scanner



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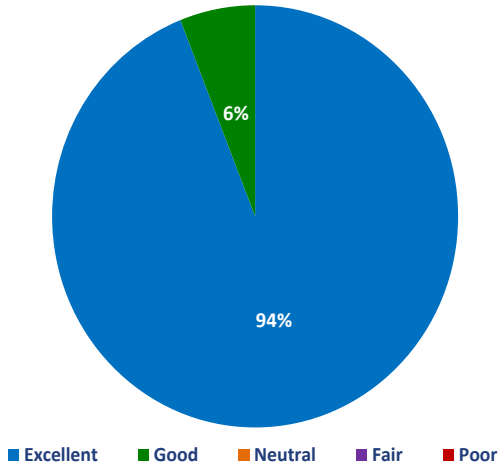
Communication Skills: History Taking for Breast Lump, Information Giving for Breast Cancer, and Consent for OGD



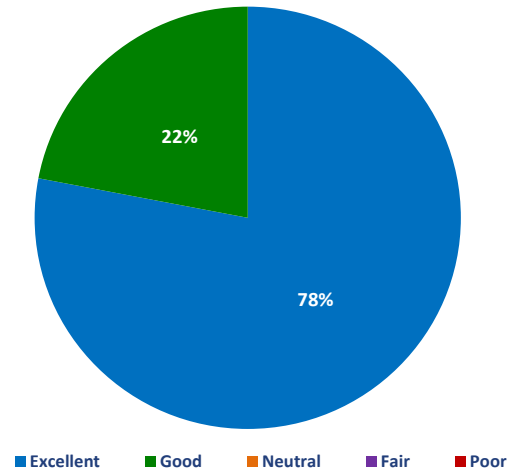
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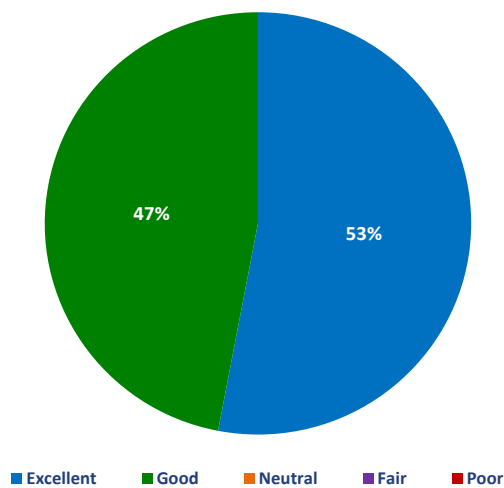
Communication Skills: History Taking for PR Bleed, Consent for Colonoscopy, and Information Giving for Colorectal Cancer



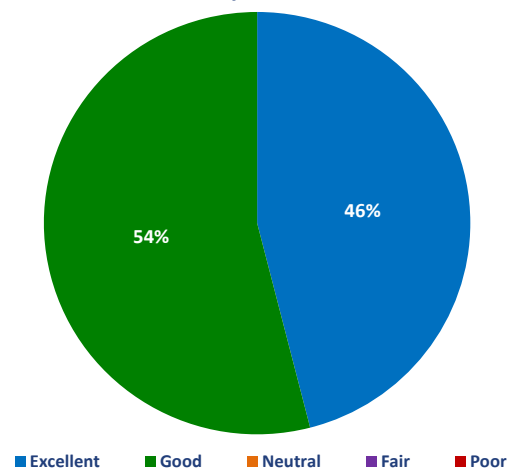
How were the general facilities and the venue?



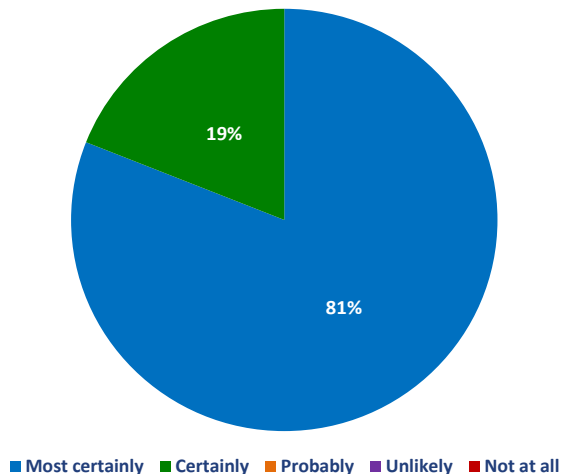
How were the refreshments and snacks?



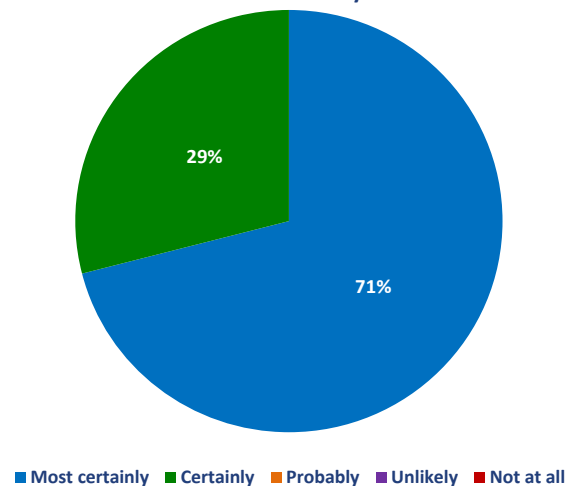
How was the food served during lunch and early dinner?



Would you recommend this course to a friend?

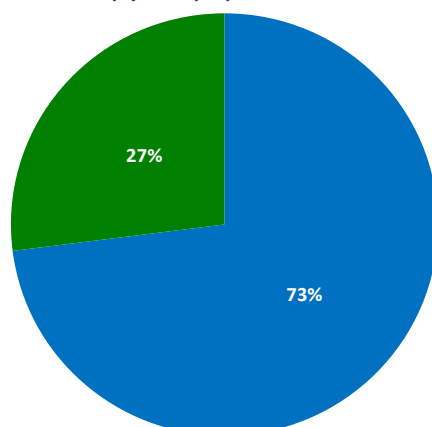


Do you think that this course provided good value for money?



Overall Feedback

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

Amazing.

JG

Very helpful, very well run, very relevant.

JS

Very good course for us trainees and excellent organisation.

AS

The course was exactly what I needed, structure and programmed.

ST

Very well organised course. It is definitely a lot of content to get through but useful to be questioned and to practice in front of others and watch others practice.

AK

Really impressed with the course itself and how smoothly it all ran. The faculty were fantastic, kind and approachable, which to me is the most important aspect of any course. Everyone cared to make your experience positive and productive.

YA

Excellent.

JS

I enjoyed the programme thoroughly. Very helpful. Extremely grateful to everyone affiliated with this programme.

HA

It has been excellent so far. Really appreciate all the effort gone into the course. Facilitators were also very friendly and helpful.

JH

Great course, please keep offering this course in future.

CW

Fantastic MRCS OCSE preparation course, such great value for money with 55h+ of key content covered in such a high-yield manner.

DM

Individual Comments

Special thanks to the Doctors Academy team and to all invited tutors for the invaluable time and knowledge imparted onto us. With sincere thanks to Prof. for his commitment to surgical education. We are all so lucky to have been able to participate in this course.

NW

All information was very much in detail and I thoroughly enjoyed it.

SA

Incredible.

SB

I had already heard from friends and colleagues that this course is really good before attending the programme. Despite the high expectation, I was still exceptionally impressed by how well the course is structured and the content has helped me organise my revision.

CL

Excellent course, honestly one of the best teaching experiences I have ever received.

OO

It was a well organised course covering necessary aspects of exam and surgical practice. Kudos to the team.

BA

Incredibly comprehensive and well organised course delivered by exceptional faculty.

GC

Overall it was a great experience and I enjoyed the course whilst learning and preparing for my exam. It is highly relevant and I'm glad I did the course prior to my exam.

LF

It was a really good course and really helpful and even though the hours are very long it is really worth it!

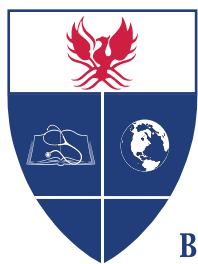
RN

Very well organised and I appreciate the clear communication prior to the course. The course was better than expected (which was surprising as I've already heard a lot of good things about this programme beforehand).

CL

Very high yield course, well structured. It was wise to cover difficult topics like head and neck early in the course. Great picture book allowing interactive note taking.

AW



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Exam Preparation Courses

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- MRCS Part B OSCE
- MRCS (ENT) OSCE
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- FRCS (T&O) Section II
- MRCP PACES
- ST3 Interview Preparation (General Surgery, Orthopaedic Surgery, Plastic Surgery)

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- Crash Course for Orthopaedic On-Calls
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