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**University of Dundee National Undergraduate  
Surgical Conference 2019:  
The Challenges of the Modern-Day Surgeon**



**Feedback - February 2019**



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Surgery forms an integral part of healthcare and has always been a popular career choice among students. In recent times, the rapid pace of technological advances has brought new and diverse challenges to the forefront, which will undoubtedly serve to redefine and reshape the role of surgery in today's society. In this conference, the society aimed to highlight the challenges faced by focusing on three main areas: Challenges in Global Surgery, The Modern-Day Challenges of Surgery and The Challenges Faced by Women in Surgery.

Participants of the conference were not only able to listen to renowned surgeons speak about their experiences, but also had the opportunity to try their hands in four surgical skills stations.

**Course Information**

<b>Course Date:</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> February 2019</b>
<b>Venue:</b>	<b>School of Medicine, University of Dundee, United Kingdom</b>
<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>58 Delegates</b>
<b>Aimed at:</b>	<b>Medical Students within UK Universities</b>
<b>Course Fee:</b>	<b>£15.00</b>



## Programme

0830 - 0900	Registration
0900 - 0920	Welcome & Introduction
0920 - 1020	Mr Stuart Fergusson: Global Surgery and the Challenge of Global Citizenship
1020 - 1120	Mr Afshin Alijani: Surgical Management of Obesity

### 1120 - 1130 Tea and Coffee Break

1130 - 1230	Dr Vanessa Kay: How to Train Your Surgeon: The Use of Simulation in Training
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### 1230 - 1315 Lunch & Chance to View Posters

1315 - 1415	Workshop: Tendon Repair
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1415 - 1515	Workshop: Skin Flaps
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### 1515 - 1525 Tea and Coffee Break

1525 - 1625	Workshop: Skin Flaps
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1625 - 1725	Workshop: Laproscopic Skills
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1725	Close of Conference and Announcement of Prize Winners
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## **FACULTY**

**Mr Afshin Alijani, MB ChB (Dundee), PhD, FRCS (Edinburgh)**

Consultant Bariatric and Upper GI Surgeon, Honorary Senior Lecturer  
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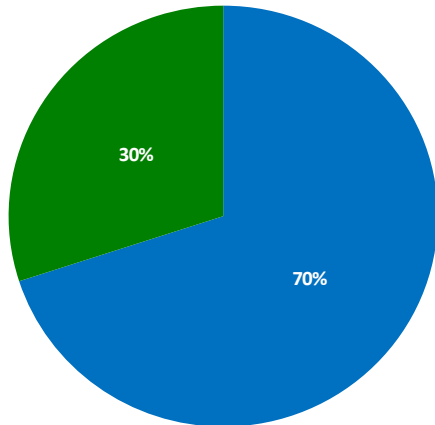
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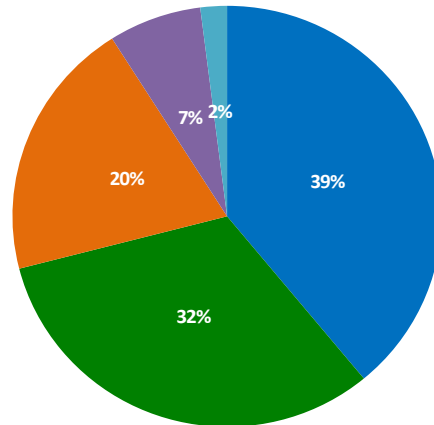
# Overall Feedback

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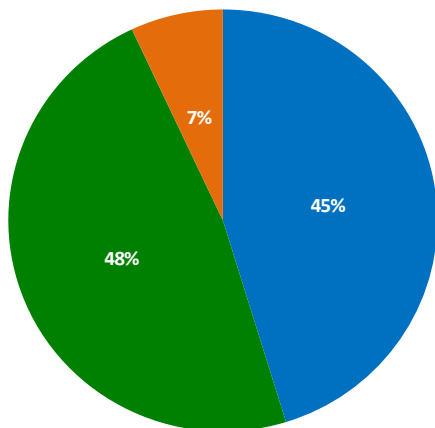
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How would you rate the general academic standard of the speakers?



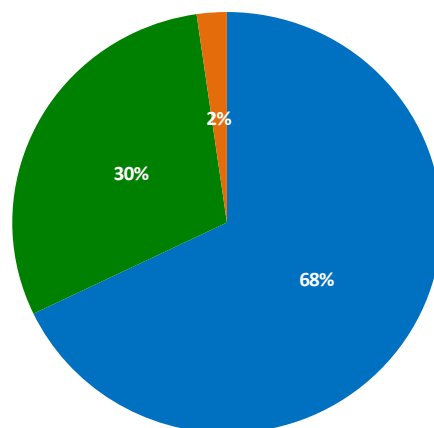
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Mr Stuart Fergusson: Global Surgery and the Challenge of Global Citizenship



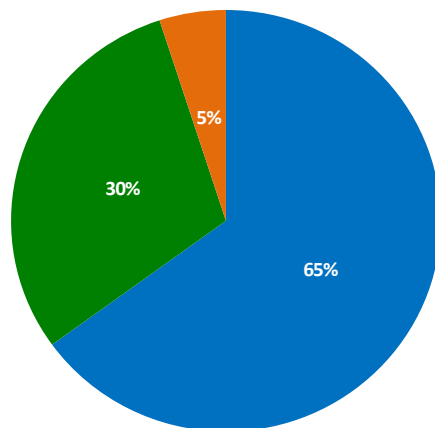
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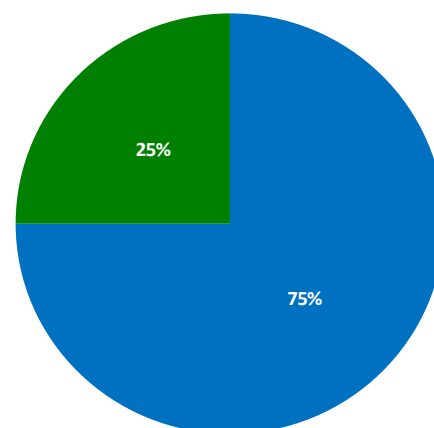
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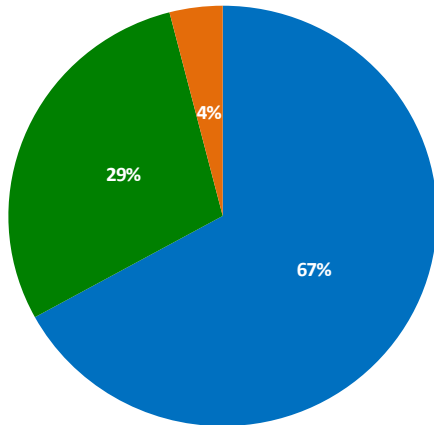
Workshop 1: Tendon Repair



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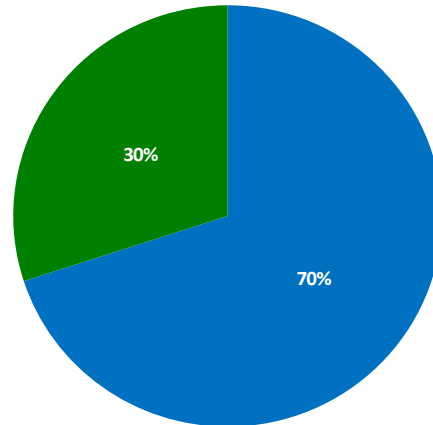
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Workshop 2: Skin Flaps



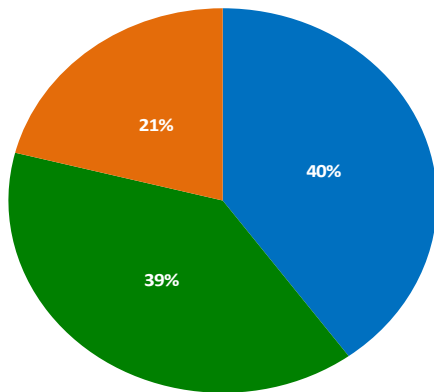
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Workshop 3: Laproscopic Skills



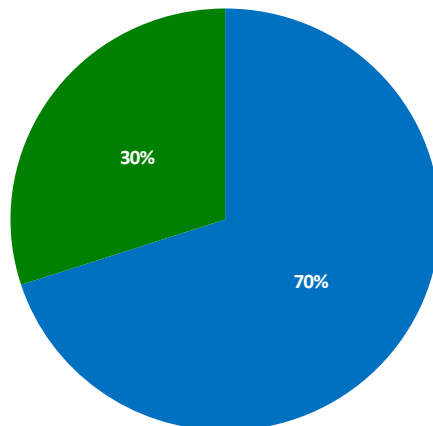
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Workshop 4 : Mini Skills Competition



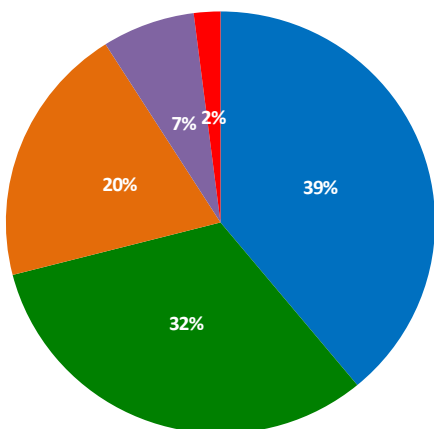
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How were the facilities and venue?



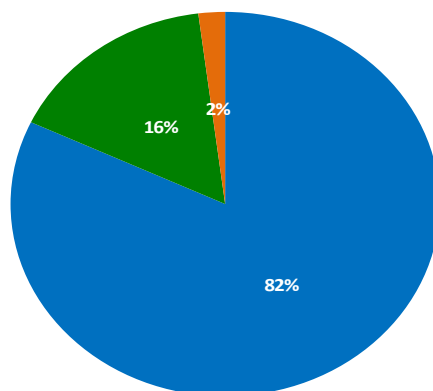
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How were the refreshments and lunch?



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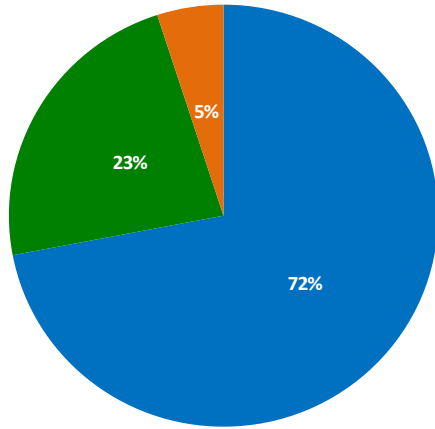
How was the general friendliness of the faculty and organisers?



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

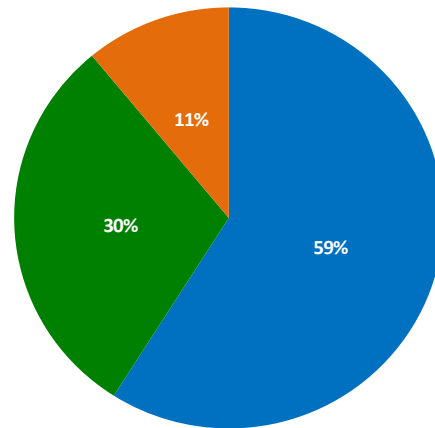
# Overall Feedback

Would you recommend this conference to a friend?



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

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



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

## Individual Comments

Overall it was a very good conference and well organised for a student society.

**AD**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

Very good.

**AE**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

Good.

**CL**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

Very good!

**SC**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

It was an all-round great day. The teaching was interesting and varied. The different workshops were also very helpful, and it was nice to be able to get to do it myself.

**CM**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

It was well organised but could do with some student presentations.

**AA**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

It was a very well organised, informative and engaging conference. The hands-on stations were very useful and fun.

**IH**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

It was a very interesting conference, providing the chance to learn many new skills.

**HA**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

It was a well-planned event.

**KT**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*



## Individual Comments

It was very interesting as it gave me more insights into surgery as a specialty. I really enjoyed the laparoscopic session.

**WT**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

Overall, it was a fantastic experience, which was very relevant and pitched at the right level.

**LG**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

The Organizing Committee was very helpful and sleek with their operations. The teaching was more favorable than the presentations, but both were very informative.

**CC**

Good.

**MA**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

It was really good and peaked my interest in surgery.

**AA**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

The conference was interesting and engaging, offering skills I cannot find elsewhere in my medical education.

**CB**

*University of St Andrews, Scotland, UK*

It was a very well-planned event.

**ZC**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

I absolutely loved the skin flaps and all the different sessions.

**RF**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

It was very well organised, with lots of effort, new ideas and advanced workshops.

**ZW**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

## Individual Comments

I thought it planned very well and was one of the better events I've been to.

**JJ**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

Excellent.

**CC**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

It was well organised and everything ran on time. The workshops were very good, giving us an overview of surgery. The laparoscopic session was interesting and hands-on, providing practice and experience. Overall, it was a great conference and made our money's worth. I am looking forward to more in the future.

**KD**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

I thought the event gave a helpful insight into what being a surgeon in today's NHS entails.

**AJ**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

It was pretty good. I am only in first year, so the only relevant thing at the moment regarded obesity, but I'm sure knowledge learnt will be useful in future years and practice.

**NM**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

Excellent.

**AW**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

Overall, I thought the conference was really well executed. This was my very first surgical conference and I had such a great experience. I will definitely attend more!

**SN**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

I was very impressed by the quality of the conference. I felt as though the conference was well organised (emails were sent well in advance, the conference progressed according to schedule, etc.). The content of the talks and workshops were of high quality and were very interesting. I believe I was able to learn extra things that will help me as I continue forward with my studies.

**ST**

*University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK*

## Individual Comments

It provided a good impression overall.

**BA**

***University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK***

It was a very good and really enjoyable day.

**RL**

***University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK***

It provided a great idea of what a lot of types of surgery involved.

**AW**

***University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK***

Very good.

**JC**

***University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK***

Great.

**LM**

***University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK***

It was very well organized, the teaching was good and very well presented, although not directly related to my current studies, but that's what is nice about it as it is something different.

**AM**

***University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK***

Everything was of a good quality and I believe I am now able to utilise everything I learned.

**CF**

***University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK***

I think it was very well organised and it ran very smoothly.

**JO**

***University of Dundee School of Medicine, Dundee, UK***



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