



BBIF-IBS 2024 CONFERENCE REPORT

Conference Theme:

“Innovations in BioBanking for Human Health”

Venue:

**NIMHANS Convention Centre, Audi 02,
Hosur Road, Bangaluru, India**

Total Delegates – 118

In-Person Delegates – 103

Virtual Delegates - 15

04 Countries

Total Abstracts – 36

Poster Presentation – 31

Oral Presentation – 05

Exhibit Booths – 07

Workshops – 02

Round Table Discussions - 01

Our Esteemed Conference Partners

Gold



Silver



Bronze





Biobank India Foundation (BBIF)

Biobank India Foundation (BBIF) is a not-for-profit Indian biobank organization for promoting biobank Science in India. It makes a common platform for scientists, biobankers, legal representatives, scientific industry and donor to work on emerging issue of biobank, cryopreservation and research. BBIF works on awareness of biobank science among stakeholders and provides a strong support & guidance to new and established biobanks.

The key activities of BBIF include Biobank awareness, cryopreservation, education, advocacy, creation of state-of-the-art guidelines, collaboration and platform to exhibit new product, findings and technologies.

Our Vision

BBIF will be the leading Indian biobanking forum for promoting biobank know-how, promote harmonized high-quality principles, education, ethics, and innovation in health sciences and management

Our Mission

To advance the biobanking science in India

Our Goals

- To guide establishment of biobanks, biorepositories, accreditation, sustainability and management
- Promotion and advancement of the science of biobanking in India
- Bring members together to work on emerging issues of biobank and research
- Provide a strong support and guidance to new and established biobanks
- Engage scientists and interested representatives
- Encourage to follow high-quality international standards in biobanking
- Identify critical gaps in the field and provide solutions
- Develop biobanks best practice guidelines in India

- Make collaborative engagements with the governments, patients and members of the civil society on the importance of a biobanking infrastructure to manage both patient-donated and archival tissue samples for healthcare research
- Encourage and support public –private partnerships owing to their scientific, medical and commercial importance
- To facilitate national and international collaborations in basic and translational sciences

Conference Summary:



BBIF is very proud to present to you the outcome and results of the BBIF IBS 2024 Conference "Innovations in BioBanking for Human Health" held in Bangaluru, India on 23rd and 24th Feb 2024.

BBIF organized its 3rd annual conference, bringing together hundreds of delegates from around the world. The conference aimed to "Innovations in BioBanking for Human Health" through collaboration and foster connections between attendees.

The conference featured informative sessions, keynote speeches, and panel discussions on topics of biotechnology. These sessions were facilitated by industry-leading experts and thought leaders, providing insightful discussions and actionable strategies.

The organization also hosted round table discussion and workshops, allowing attendees to connect with colleagues and forge new opportunities. The conference provided a vibrant platform to showcase the latest biotechnological developments, with several cutting-edge demos.

As a result of the conference, attendees gained significant insights into the

latest bio technology trends and networked with industry leaders. They got exposure to new services and were inspired to implement new ideas and strategies in their organizations.

Overall, the conference created a lasting impact and was rated as a successful and memorable event by attendees, sponsors, and organizers alike.

Delegate Statistics

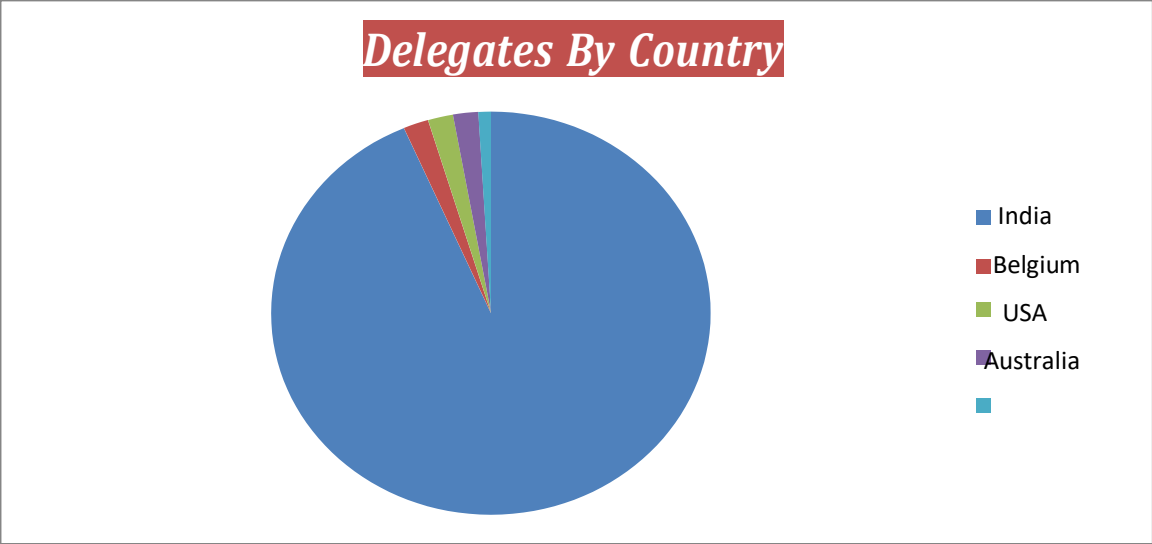


Figure 1: Delegates by Country

Country	Delegates
India	118
Australia	2
Unites States of America	1
Belgium	1

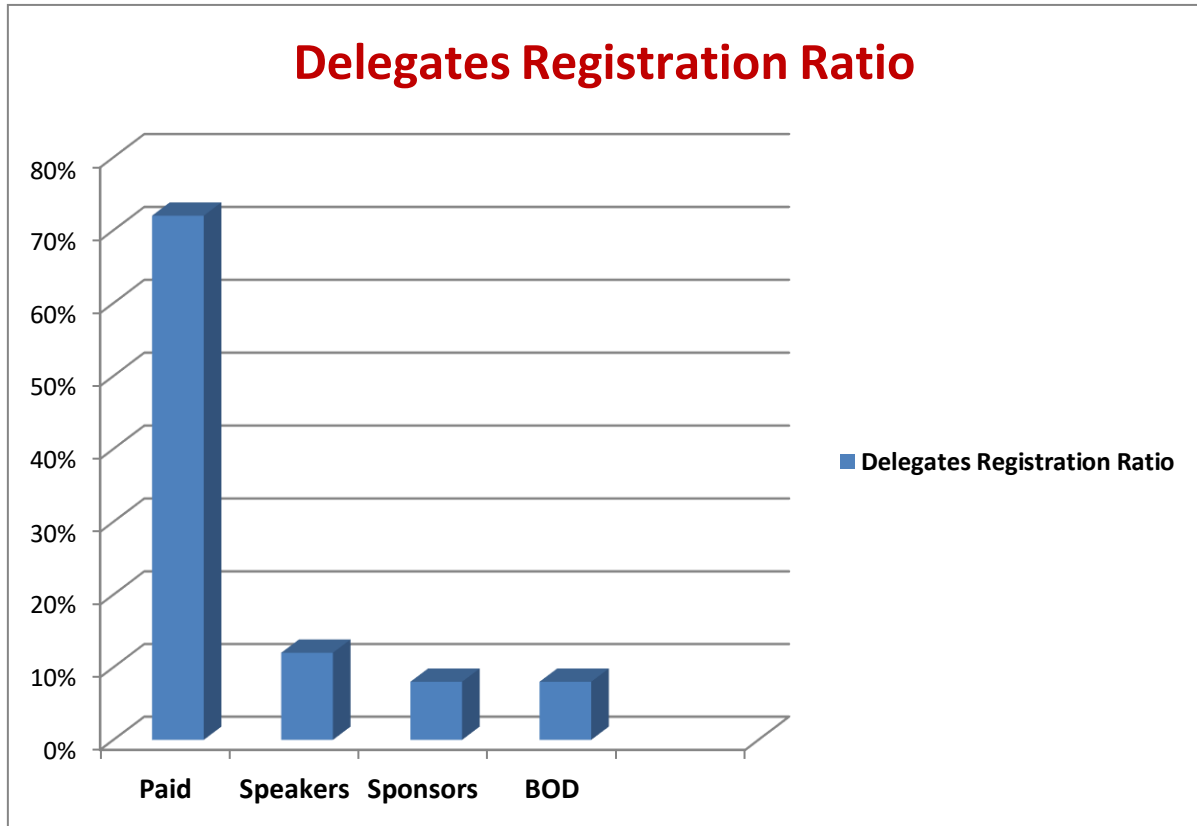


Figure 2: Delegates Registration Ratio

Delegates Registration Ratio	
Paid	72%
Speakers	12%
Sponsors	8%
Board of Directors	8%

A total of 36 abstracts were received for the meeting. Of these, 05 were presented orally, 31 were presented as posters. The virtual platform featured auditorium and poster hall. This event received very positive reviews from attendees.

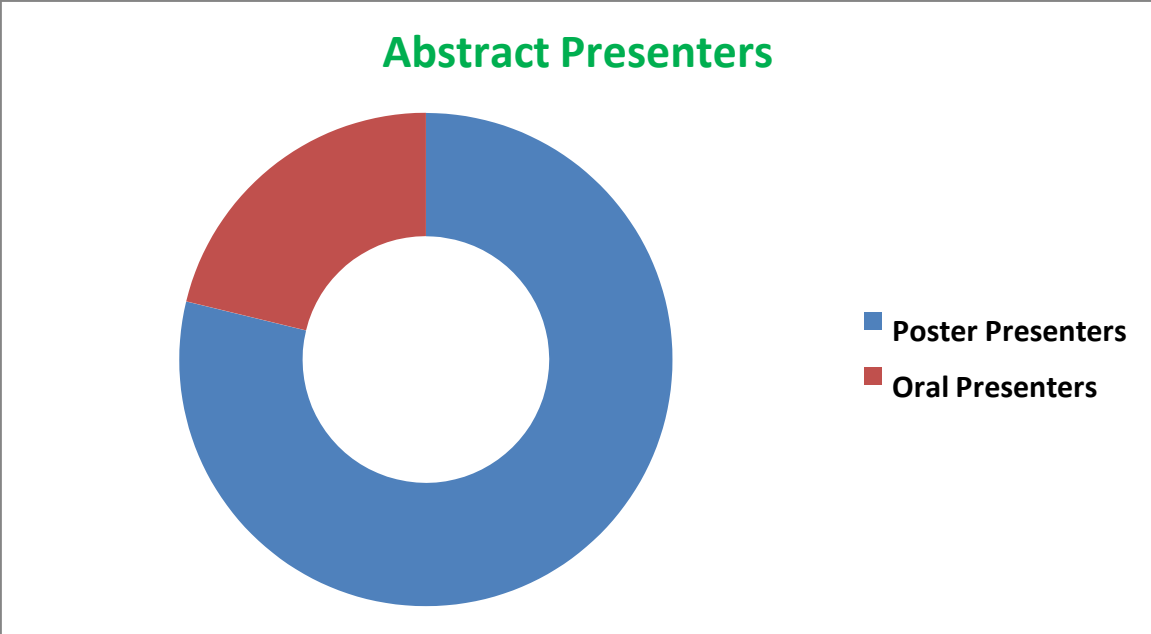


Figure 3: Abstract Presenters

<i>Abstract Presenters</i>	
<i>Poster Presenters</i>	<i>31</i>
<i>Oral Presenters</i>	<i>05</i>

On day 1 the conference started with the inaugural address by Dr. Prathima Murty, Director, NIMHANS with Prof. Dr. Anita Mahadevan, NIMHANS.

After that BBIF facilitated Prof. & Head, Department Of Pathology Dr. Sangeeta Desai, Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai with BBIF Pioneer Award 2024.



Dr. Pallavi Kshetrapal, Associate Professor, THSTI, Delhi was facilitated with BBIF Outstanding Achievement Award, 2024.



Dr. Usha Jain, Consultant, Delhi was facilitated with Travel Grant Award 2024.



Launching of BBIFCC - BIOBANK INDIA FOUNDATION CANCER CARE



On day 1 BBIFCC (BioBank India Foundation Cancer care) a subsidiary of BBIF was launched. It is associated with Biobank India Foundation (BBIF), not for profit organization established in 2021 and leading in healthcare research through biobanking. BBIFCC working to minimize the impact of cancer through free cancer education, screening, patient services, financial assistance to needy, research and publication support. BBIFCC is working to provide better healthcare to deprived people from remote areas through awareness and outreach programs. Its goal is to eliminate cancer through awareness to research and make an impact in the lives of those in need.

Prof. Dr. Daniel Catchpoole EX. ISBER & ABNA President, Australia, Dr. Neha Bansal, DBT and Dr. Pallavi Kshetrapal, THSTI presented their keynote lectures on their respective topics and there was an Interactive Panel discussion.

Different speakers like Dr. Prashant Kumar, Karkinos and Dr. Umesh Bhanot, USA and Mr. Donat Elsener, Switzerland presented their lectures and Dr. Zisis Kozlakidis, France and Dr. Joseph Michael Logan, Australia were present Online as they were not able to join In Person.

05 candidates as Dr. Anuj Kumar, Dr. Savita Singh, Dr. Amit Kumar Yadav, Dr. Nandeesh, Parvathy G were abstract presenters in Oral category and 31 candidates were presenters in Poster category.

An EDUCATION and TRAINING WORKSHOP was conducted on topic "Future Directions: Tissue Micro array Technology & Biobanking" and the facilitators were Dr. Umesh Bhanot and Dr. Birendra Kumar Yadav.

Ending the day 1, another workshop was organized on "How to set up an automated Biobank", instructed by Mr. Donat Elsener, Senior Sales Manager, Hamilton Storage GmbH, Switzerland and after tea break there was a gallery walk by judges for poster presentations.

Resuming the conference Day 2 with 1 hour morning walkthon organized by BBIF and NIMHANS for Biobanking awareness among people. Back to the conference hall, there was a Round Table discussion on topic “COVID Biobanking after Pandemics and preparedness for future” facilitated by Dr. Birendra Kumar Yadav and the among panelists are Marianne K. Henderson, NCI, USA, Prof. Dan Catchpoole, Australia, Dr. Zisis Kozlakidis, WHO, Dr. Pallavi Kshetrapal, THSTI, Dr. Reeta Mani, NIMHANS, ICMR representative.

Dr. Sridhar Sivasubbu, India, Dr. Emma Snapes, USA and Dr. Suwendu Purkait, India presented their keynote lectures on their respective topics and the chairpersons of this session were Dr. Kirti Gupta and Dr. Meera Purushottam.

After tea break Dr. Abhishek Mohanty, India, Dr. Shridhar Narayanan, India and Dr. Jugnu Jain, India presented their keynote lectures on their respective topics, with a QnA session and the chairpersons of this session were Dr. Nandini Kumar and Dr Anita K.

Ending the final day 2 with Vote of Thanks and award distribution among the winners. Concluding the event with Biobank site visit for Brain Biobank & Brain Museum at NIMHANS.

Overall 2024 annual conference was a global Biobanking event. Thank you to our Scientific Program Committee for leading the planning of such an excellent event and for their contributions and expertise.

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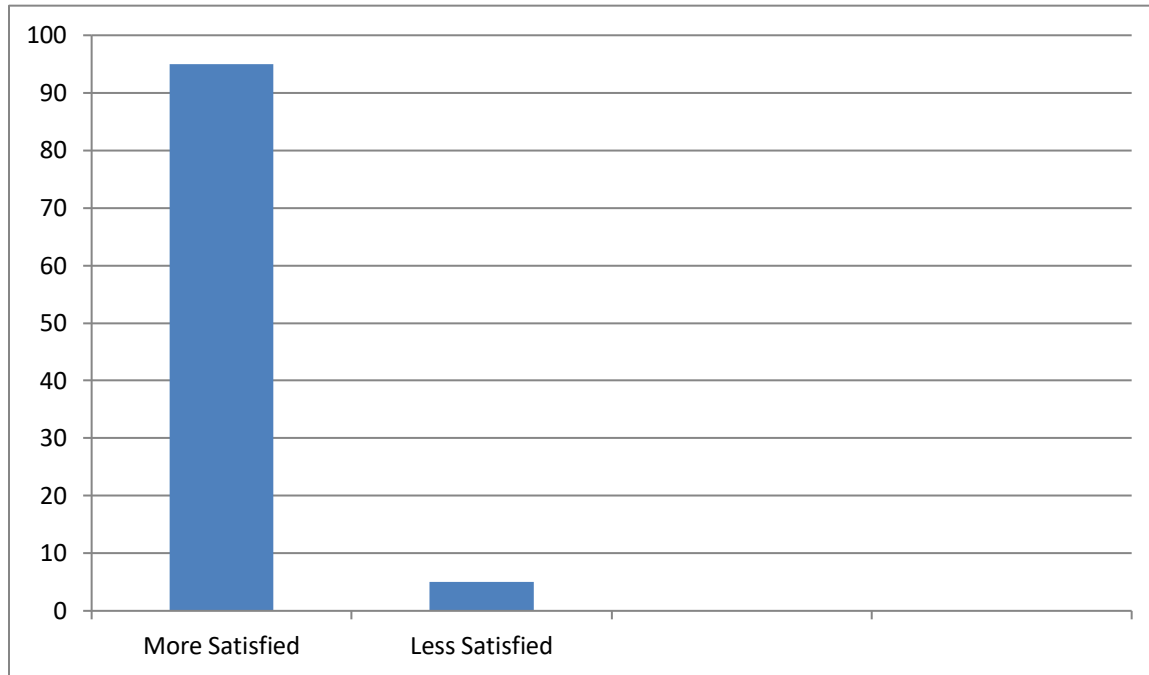
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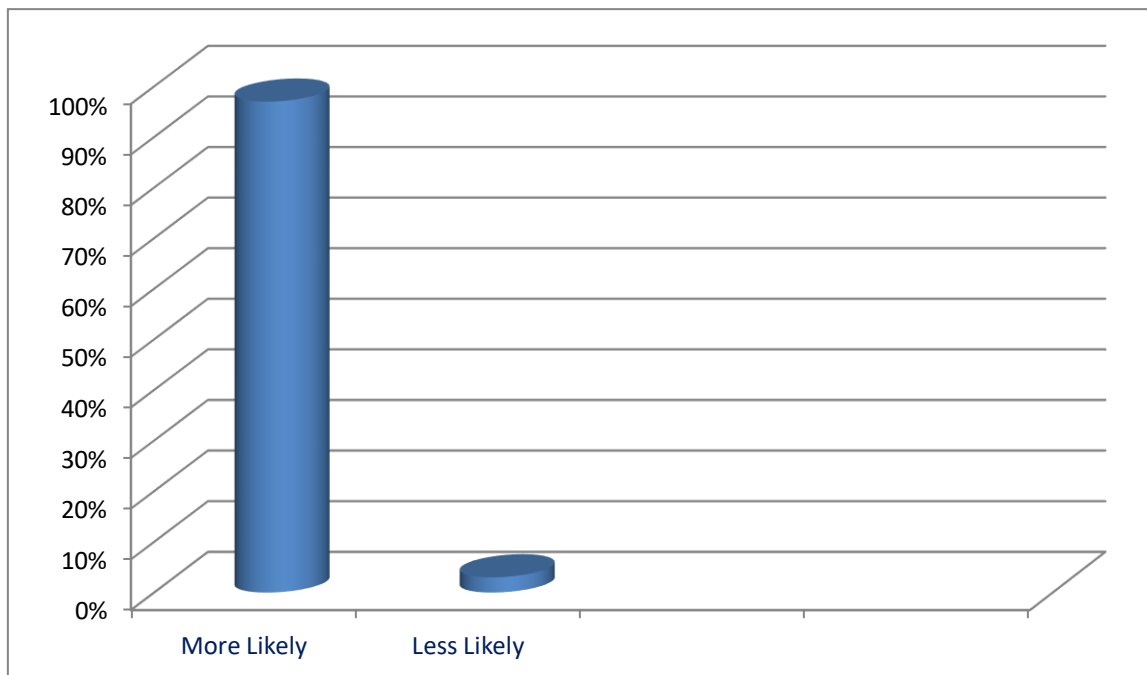
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POST CONFERENCE FEEDBACK

Q.1. On a scale of 1 to 10, how satisfied were you with the BBIF-IBS 2024 Conference?



Q.2. How likely are you to attend a future conference?



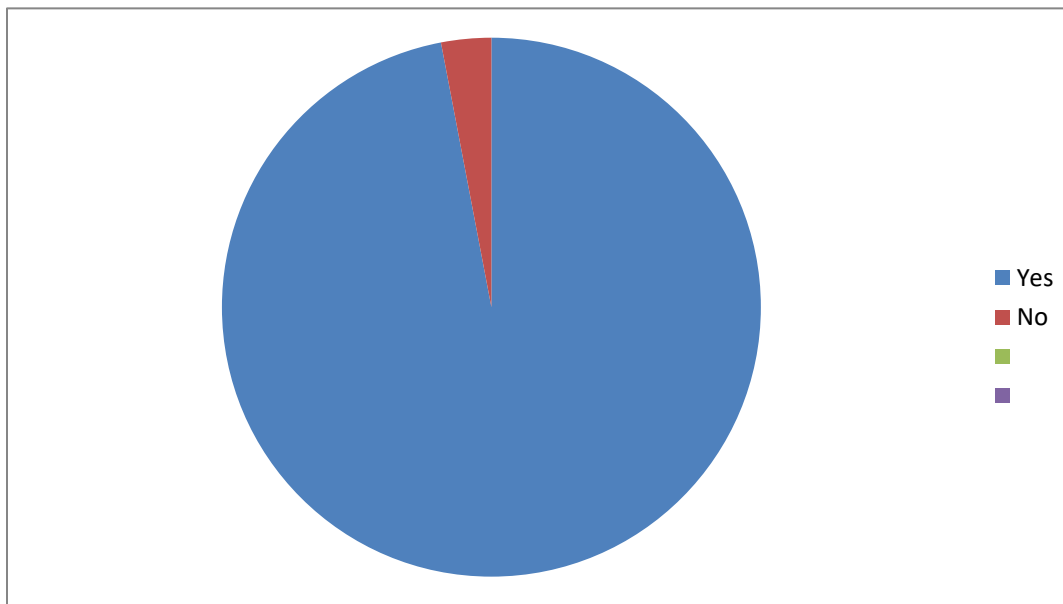
Q.3. Which was your favorite session or speaker at the conference?

Feedback: All sessions were highly appreciated by the delegates, especially Dr. Pallavi Kshetrapal.

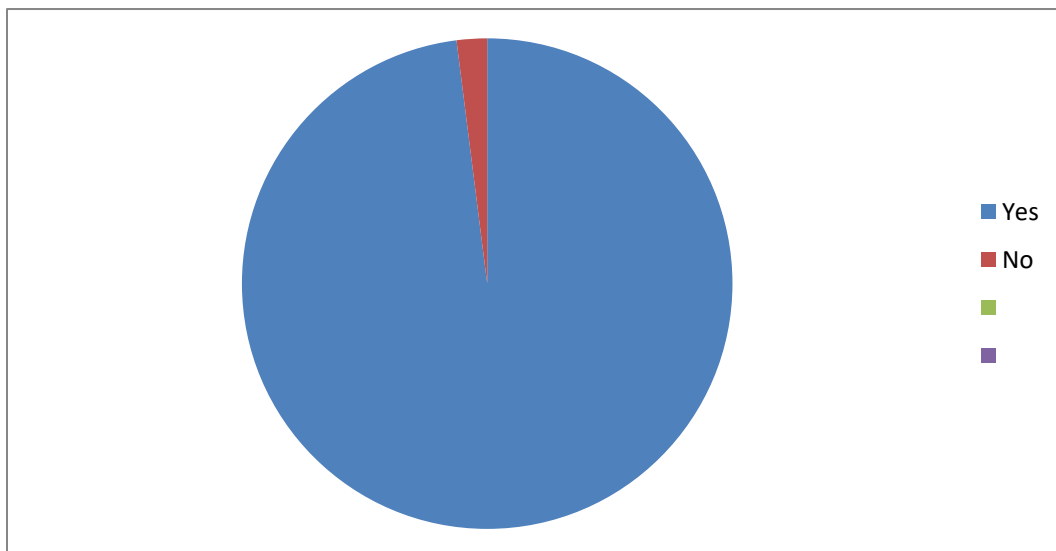
Q.4. Which session or speaker did you least enjoy at the conference?

Feedback: All sessions were highly informative and enjoyed by the delegates.

Q.5. Were the conference facilities (venue, technology, etc.) satisfactory?



Q.6. Did you find the conference schedule and agenda easy to follow?



Q.7. Were there any topics or sessions that you wished were included in the conference?

Feedback: Few delegates suggested these topics:

.Fully Automated biobanks and Semi-automated biobanks

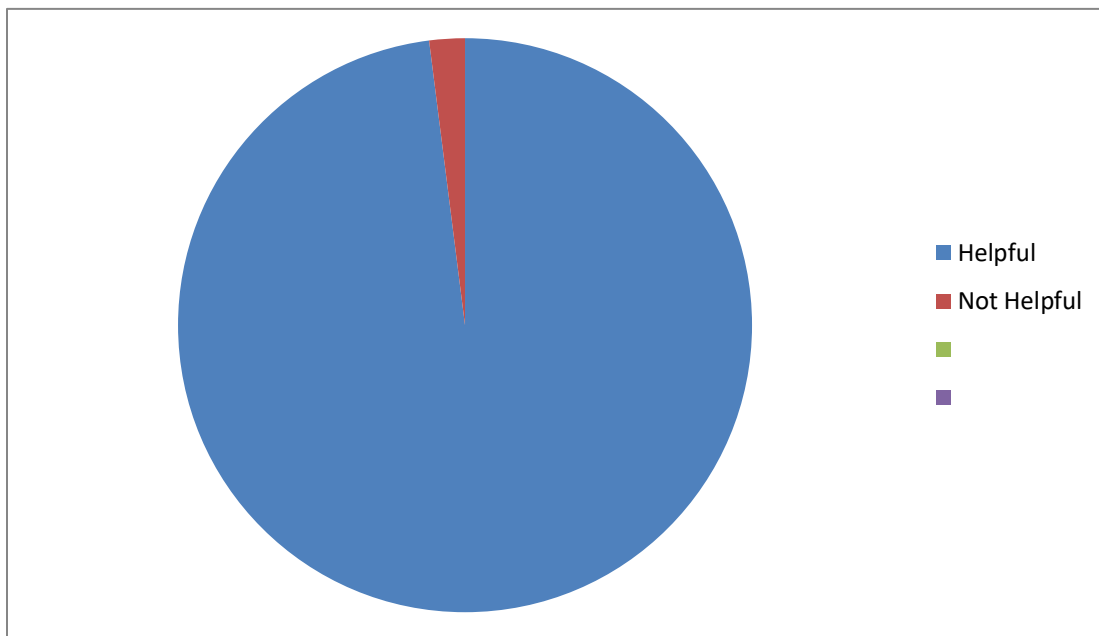
.As biobanks are associated with research there should be some lectures to provide the glimpse of Research done using the samples from Biobank. What are issues and advantages of doing those Projects using samples from biobank.

.Comparison between liquid nitrogen (vapor phase) stored samples and samples stored at -80

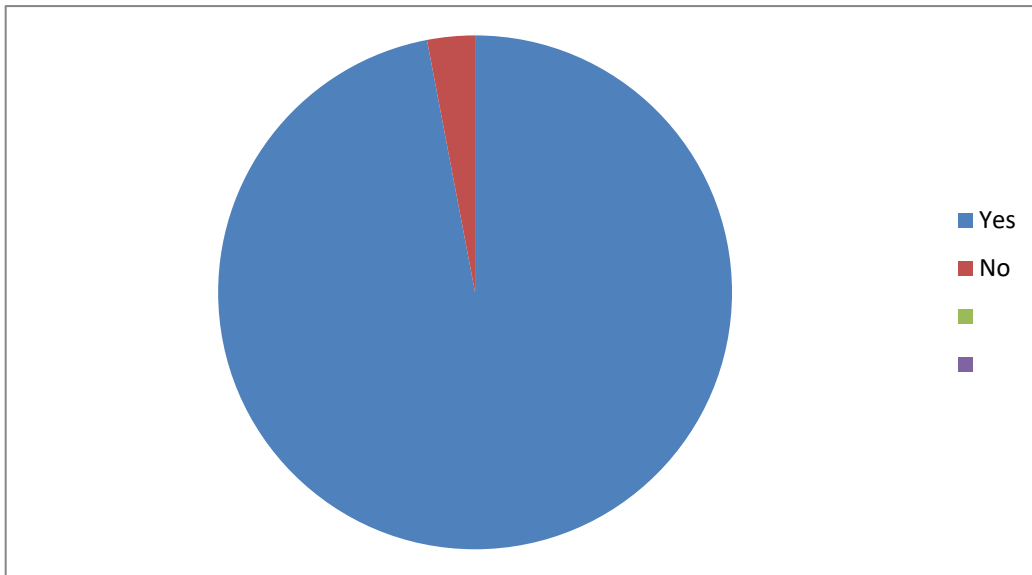
.CART cell Therapy

.New technologies in Biobanking

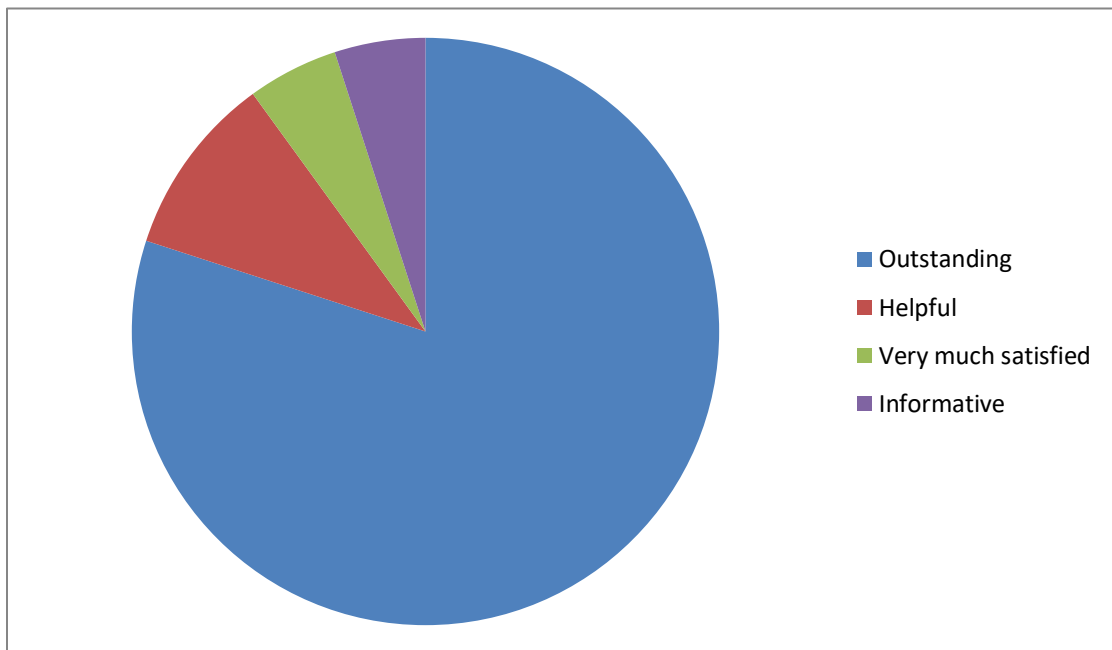
Q.8. Did you network with other attendees at the conference? If yes, did you find the networking opportunities helpful?



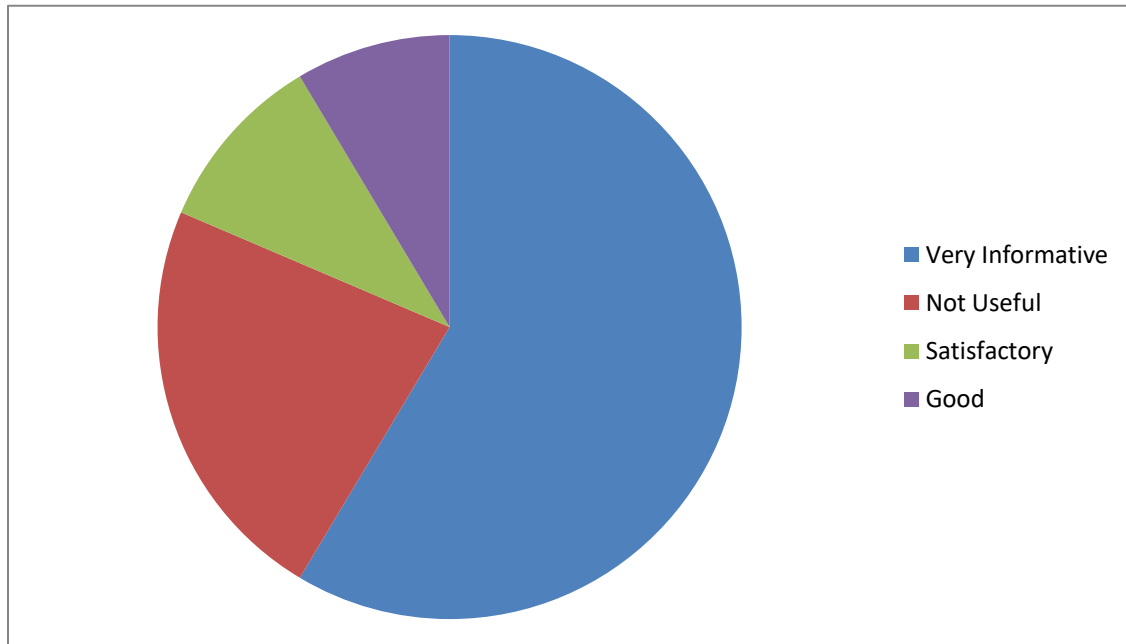
Q.9. Did the conference meet your expectations in terms of content and delivery?



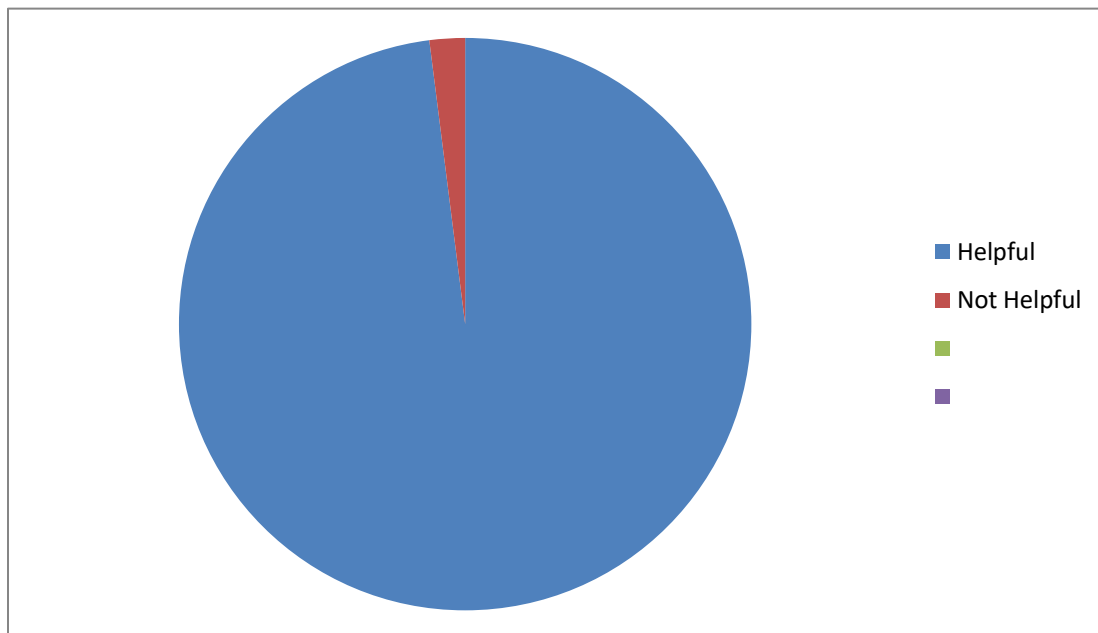
Q.10. What is your feedback on EDUCATION and TRAINING WORKSHOP held on Day 1?



Q.11. What is your feedback on group discussion titled “COVID Biobanking after Pandemics and preparedness for future”?



Q.12. What is your feedback on Workshop: How to set up an automated Biobank?



Q.13. At which location would you like next year BBIF conference to be organized?

Feedback: These are the locations suggested by delegates: Mumbai, Bangaluru, Delhi, Pune and Bhuvaneshwar.

Q.14. Do you have any suggestions for improving future conferences?

Feedback:

- . Please include talks on Fully Automated biobanks and Semi-automated biobanks.
- . Nope, Excellent speakers and management.
- . More time required for networking and have a meeting with biobankers



Connect Biobanking Professional Globally through Biobank India Foundation (BBIF)

Who can Join?

Organization and Individuals from university, biobanks, company, research centers, technician, medical professionals, IT, legal and any unaffiliated person and students



BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP INCLUDE

- Reduced registration for BBIF conference and regional meetings
- Opportunity to connect biobank professionals in India and globally
- Stay informed with latest biobank news through the online BBIF news
- Opportunity to join as volunteer the BBIF Executive committee, Regional Directors and committee groups

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