MetaboLight Presentation Feedback

Overall, a highly professional and thoroughly enjoyable presentation. Having been to several public science events, the calibre and quality of this particular one seemed to easily surpass my expectations. Part of the reason for this was perhaps the engaging nature of the presentation with the use of gummy bears and Mini-CYRIL demonstration (science is more well-received when you get to see it in action rather than merely passively observing).

This particular audience seemed shy and apprehensive to participate but Dr Tachtsidis was dealt well with this, maintaining a forthcoming demeanour and preventing this lack of energy from stalling his flow. Dr Tachtsidis also seemed a fount of knowledge, with all scientific concepts being well-explained and the information presented being at a fairly suitable level. Perhaps, if time-permitting, he could delve deeper into the mechanics of how metabolism is measured through Cytochrome C Oxidase, which could help extend our current Biology A Level studies.

With some of the audience aspiring to pursue a career in Medicine, hearing about the clinical situation and the role NIRS technologies could potentially play in the future NHS was incredibly useful. One personal regret is perhaps not making the best of this opportunity.

The resources handed out (and from a quick glance on the website) were of an impressive standard. All in all, it was a privilege to be part of the audience and see such great work. This progression of this project appears to be well-considered and innovative; the researchers have a great project, which was certainly showcased in an interesting and informative way to us.

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