



Evaluation Summary Report

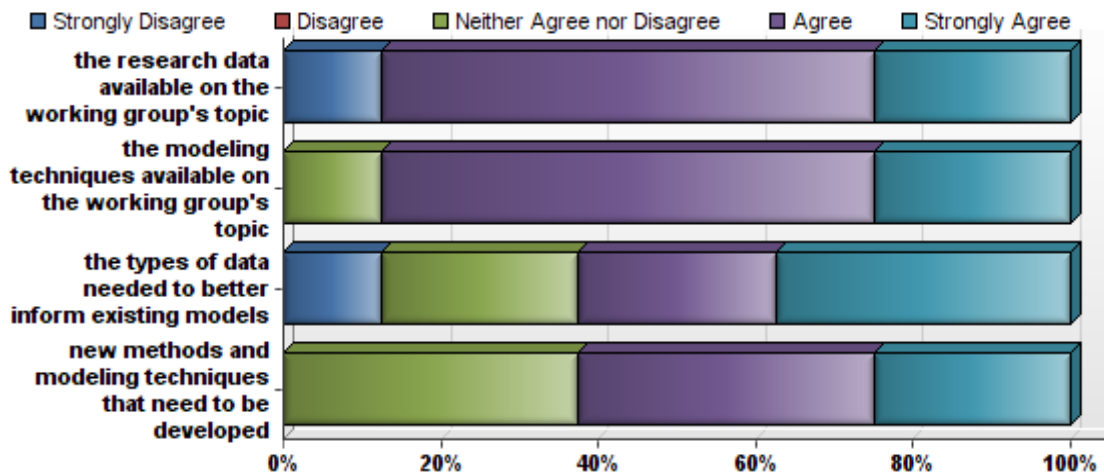
Working Group: ***Modeling Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Intervention***
Meeting One

Sept. 19-22, 2014

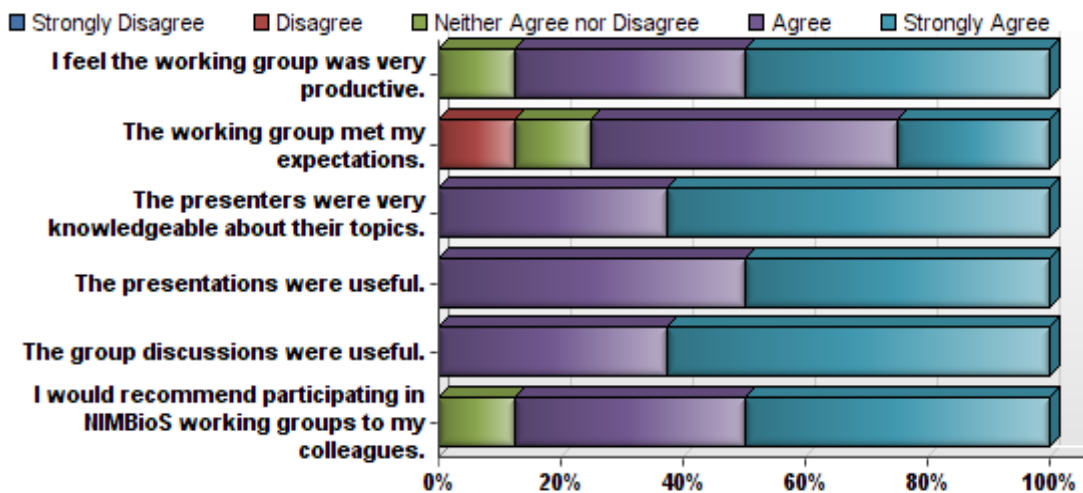
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1. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.

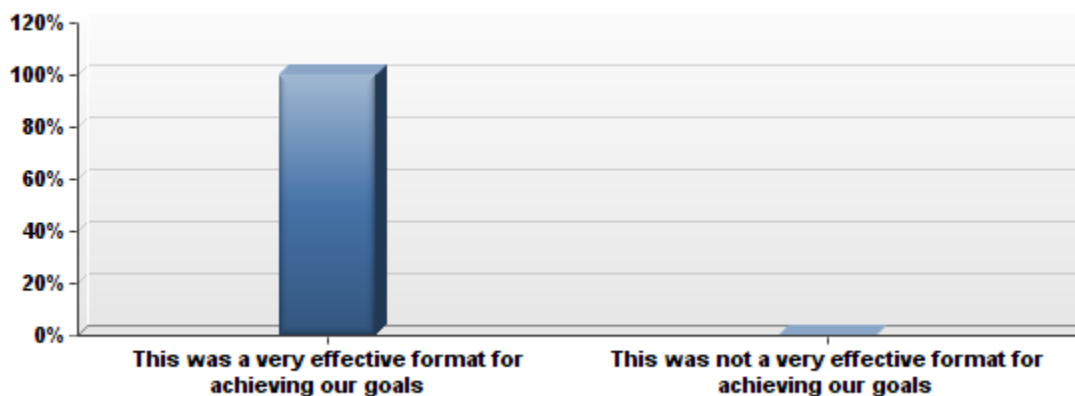
As a result of participating in this working group, I have a better understanding of:



2. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements about this working group:



3. How do you feel about the format of the working group?

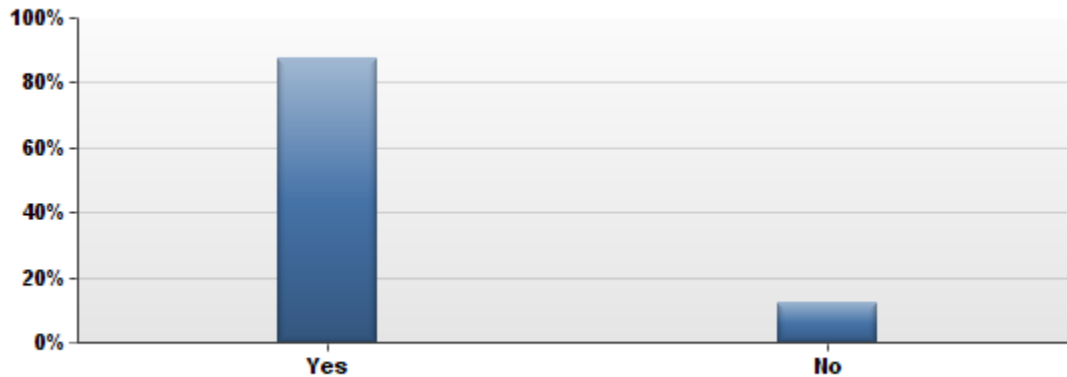


The working group format would have been more effective if: No data

4. Do you feel the working group made adequate progress, for its first meeting, toward finding a common language across disciplines in the research area?



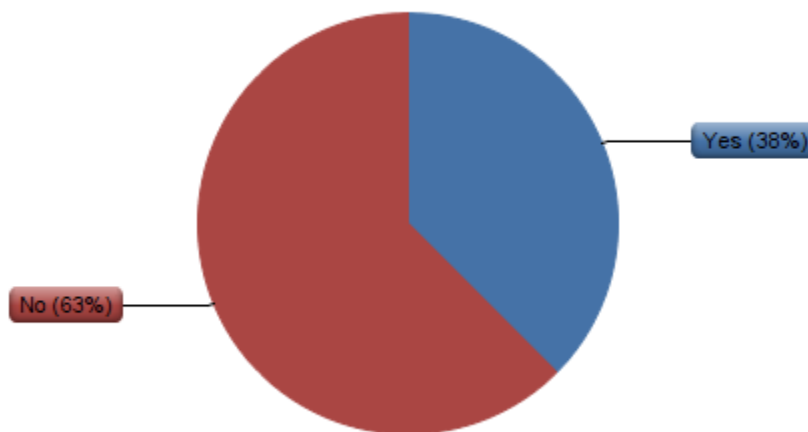
5. Do you feel the participating in the working group helped you understand the research happening in other disciplines in the group's topic area?



Please explain:

I have a better understanding of modeling approaches for antimicrobial use and resistance in the food chain.

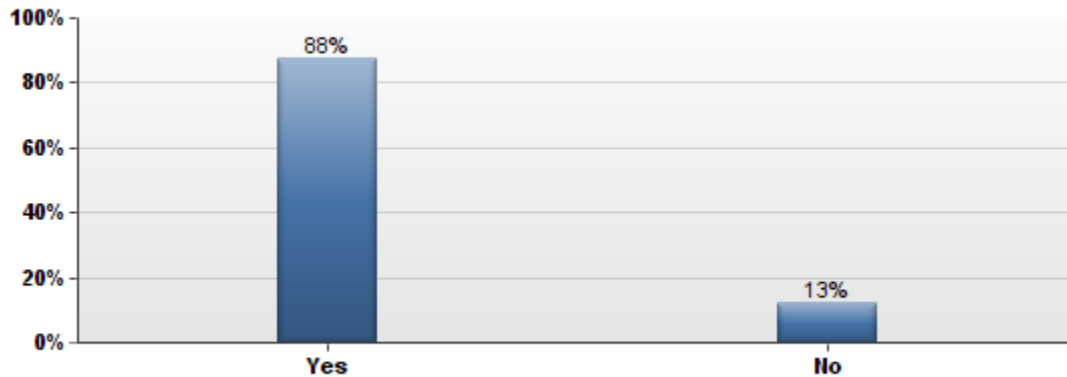
6. Did you develop unanticipated plans for collaborative research with other working group participants?



Please explain:

Collaborations made were anticipated.

7. Do you feel that the exchange of ideas that took place during the working group will influence your future research?



Comments: No data

8. Do you feel the expectations for the next working group are clear (in the sense that you are leaving this meeting with a good idea of what your contribution will be at the next meeting)?



Comments:

NARMS has never before linked antimicrobial use and resistance data so it will provide a new dimension to our work and collaborations going forward.

9. What do you feel was the most useful aspect of the working group?

Bringing together people with different backgrounds, perspectives, and expertise to address the issue. Antimicrobial resistance associated with the food chain is a complex problem that requires collaborations among experts from a number of fields (epidemiology, microbiology, veterinary medicine, mathematical modeling, public health, etc.). Given the number of disciplines involved it is difficult to get so many people to work together without such a forum.

Discussions, clarification of available data and modeling techniques.

Very good management of discussions by group leader and great support from NIMBioS

Understanding the problem from the vantage point of all the different disciplines.

Being able to discuss all at once and to work out in situ how to better communicate ideas from one field (math) into the other (bio)

Getting together people who would otherwise not collaborate/talk to each other because of differences on disciplines

10. What, if anything, would you change about the working group?

It may be helpful to provide some materials for working group members to review before the meeting. Given how busy folks are, the materials should not take more than 3-4 hours to review (i.e., what folks can review while traveling to the meeting). This would help orient members and help make the best use of our time together.

Clear plan of future activities is needed, which funding sources will be explored if any, when and how.

Perhaps more small group discussion. When having discussions in such large groups, conversation can be dominated by a few loud voices. Small group discussion followed by reporting back to the entire group could be useful in this regard.

better time management, though it was pretty good to start with.

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11. Please provide any additional comments about your overall experience with the working group:

Thanks very much for supporting our working group--it is already leading to some great collaboration to address the important public and animal health problem of antimicrobial resistance.

It would be great to get access to sports facilities of UT when present for several days. A simple link explaining how to get visitor access in the invitation email could do the job. Thanks.