

AB175. SOH22ABS205. Should we stop anatomy lectures?— opinions of undergrad students and faculty

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Background: Anatomy is considered the dictionary medical students would carry throughout their medical career. However, data on teaching methods of anatomy in Sudan is deficient, but there is a hidden consensus that keeps traditional methods such as didactic lectures taking a tremendous part of the student's time up to these days in the University of Khartoum (U of K); where this study was conducted.

Methods: This study is quantitative, descriptive, cross-sectional survey of two group's opinions on the limitations and strengths of anatomy teaching methods in the faculty of medicine, U of K, Jan. 2020. Online survey was distributed and filled by participants. Data were analysed using Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS), version 26. Chi-square and simple frequency tables were used.

Results: Almost half of the participants thought that the best anatomy teaching method is prosection sessions (46%), a comparable number said lectures (45%). On the other hand, the least effective teaching method was thought to be didactic lectures (48%), and only minimal percentages for the rest of the methods.

Conclusions: The majority of opinions were drawn towards focusing on the prosection sessions and the computer-based learning tools rather than didactic lectures in teaching anatomy.

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