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Objectives

- □ To evaluate student perceptions of the audience response systems (ARS) technology
- □ To compare students' assessment of the use of ARS technology with their performance

Background

- □ An ARS allows students to electronically answer a question posed to the class with the use of "clickers", remote electronic devices, or software that can be accessed online or installed as a smartphone app
- □ Although audience response systems have been utilized in medical education for decades, they have become more advanced and popular within the last 10 years¹⁻³
- □ A 2011 survey of schools/colleges of pharmacy showed 88.8% of pharmacy institutions use some type of ARS⁴
- □ Across multiple disciplines, instructors have reported ARSs to increase: student engagement⁵, class participation⁶, perception of learning material⁷, performance on examinations and interest in a course⁸
- Researchers have reported ARSs promote interactivity and initiation of discussion, thus enhancing traditional lectures⁹
- However, evidence evaluating audience response systems (ARS) used in team-based learning (TBL) compared to traditional classes is limited

Methods

- **TBL** was implemented in the required self-care course (PP2120: Introduction to Pharmaceutical Care: Non-prescription drugs) at St. Louis College of Pharmacy, and an audience response system was implemented in Fall 2015.
- □ The weekly course schedule was as follows:
 - □ The course administrator entered all case questions into the ARS prior to the class period.
 - □ Students would prepare responses to cases during the team based portion of the class. The students would then input their answers into the ARS system.
 - □ The students could then see how each group answered the question in real time.
 - □ Faculty could also see the variety of responses input by the students and identify teaching points based on student input
 - □ This TBL approach using the ARS schedule was repeated weekly throughout the semester.
- □ At the conclusion of the course, a web-based survey was administered to students.

Participant Characteristics

□ Of the 29 students who successfully completed the course, 23 (79%) completed the survey. Student response to the audience response technology was generally favorable.

Participant Characteristics		All Respondents n(%) (n=24)	
Gender		Ethnic Background	
Male	10 (42)	White	17 (71)
Female	14 (58)	Hispanic	1 (4)
		Asian/Pacific Islander	6 (25)
Terminal Degree Goal		Other	1 (4)
Pharm.D.	23 (96)		
Other	1 (4)	Residence	
		On Campus	2 (8)
Academic Status		Off Campus	22 (92)
Full-Time	23 (96)		
Part-Time	1 (4)		

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Learning Environment





Results

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	Somewhat	Strongly	
= 24)	agree	agree	% Agree
of class due to Poll Everywhere	11	10	87.5%
of class due to Poll Everywhere	7	11	75.0%
of class due to Poll Everywhere	6	11	70.8%
of class due to Poll Everywhere	11	8	79.2%
ected to what's going on at the college/university.	6	11	70.8%
onnected to my team members.	9	7	66.7%
ne feel connected to instructors.	7	11	75.0%
se the poll everywhere software	12	8	83.3%
laptop computer was a valuable feature of Poll Everywhere	2	14	66.7%
ses' response to case questions	5	18	95.8%
macy courses in the curriculum	8	14	91.7%

Technology Experience

Technology/Academic Performance Relationship



- implementation in a self-care course.
- course is vital.
- learning, when utilizing ARS.
- statistically significant.
- □ Limitations of this study include:
 - □ Small sample size
 - Limited external validity

- school curricula.
- within TBL courses.

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Discussion

□ This is the first study to measure the impact of ARS with TBL

Understanding student perceptions of an ARS within a TBL

□ Study results are consistent with previous research showing increased student involvement, participation, and enhanced

Academic performance is positively correlated with both early adopters and enthusiasts of technology and both were

□ The self-care course is team taught; Different faculty taught the class from week to week. However, the course coordinators (both investigators) attended each class session to ensure consistency of implementation

Implications

□ ARS data can be used to help implement TBL in pharmacy

 Further research can be performed to link student adoption of technology to performance in courses that implement ARS. Further research can also review faculty perceptions of ARS

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