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Title: Interns' knowledge of clinical pharmacology and therapeutics after undergraduate training in Nigeria

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The problems are related to the methods:
1 it would be good to know how the Interns were randomised (no details were provided)
2 Interns wanted more teaching (hardly surprisingly)
3 They had some useful suggestions about how and when.
4 However alternatives to teaching improvements appear not to have been entertained (for example, an alternative to teaching might be aids de memoire for doses etc they had difficulty with).
5 The greatest concern will be using 'confidence in prescribing' as a proxy for 'ability in prescribing'. This is always the trouble with surveys – knowing how the stated opinions correlate with real behaviour. (Very confident interns might be incompetent: insecure ones might be safe!). This should be better addressed in the text.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests