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I would like to commend *Black et al.*¹ for their excellent article regarding their medical education podcast for obstetrics and gynecology. Their Table 1 outlining the existing podcasts made it clear that a Canadian podcast tailored to our health system is much needed. After reading the article, I visited the podcast page. I found the episodes filled a gap relevant to our typical practice guidelines and would be useful for Canadian medical students.

For me, the article raises two questions. First, based on Table 1 there appears to be a lack of sustainability for previously existing podcasts. Several podcasts consistently churned out weekly or monthly episodes, but then came to a halt. Sustainability has been an issue for other medical education podcasts as well.² Are there methods to preventing podcast “burnout”?

Second, is there a potential to use podcasts for advocacy within medical education? The selected topics are excellent, but perhaps there could be an episode on interventions to prevent learner burnout within obstetrics/gynecology, or methods to prevent heteronormativity within lectures about prenatal care.^{3,4} I am not sure if this is within the authors’ scope or aims but could be an option, if there is any interest.

All in all, great job and I am looking forward to visiting future episodes.

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