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INTRODUCTION

Background: Historically, UNMC has not employed eModules to support cadaveric anatomy education. In 2018, an interactive eModule was developed to supplement the Distal Upper Limb (DUL) anatomy curriculum. This eModule was shared with first-year medical students as a supplemental resource for use on a voluntary basis with an attached survey.

Purpose:

- 1) Evaluate learner perception of the eModule relative to other resources
- 2) Identify eModule content and features that students find valuable

METHODS

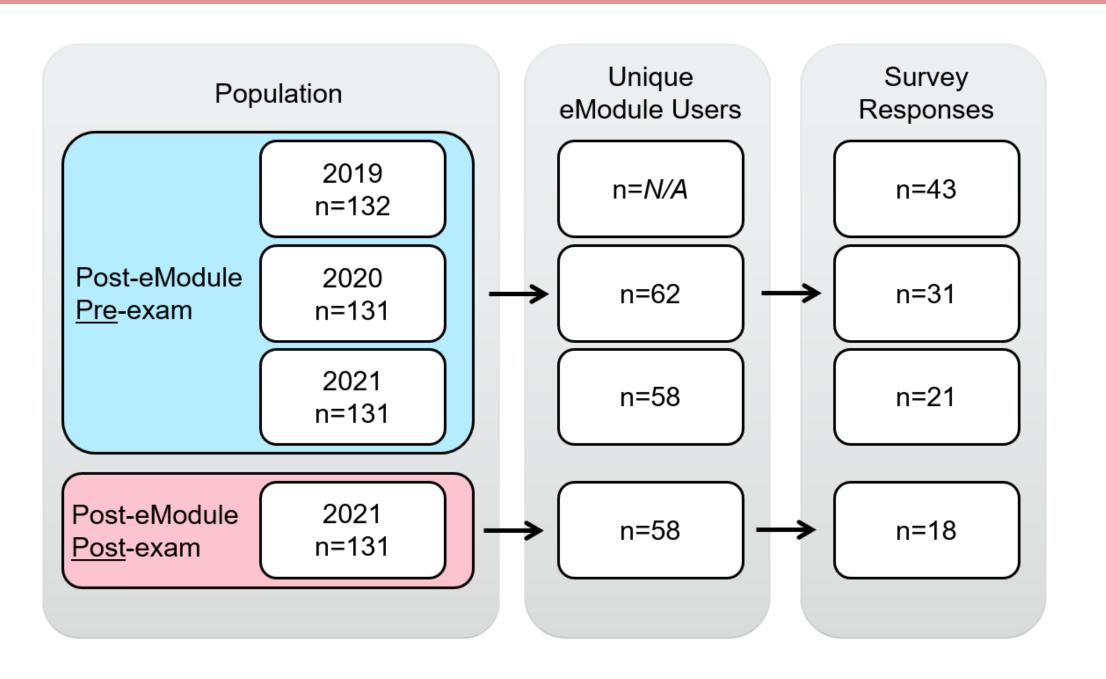


Figure 1. First-year undergraduate medical student population and survey participation.

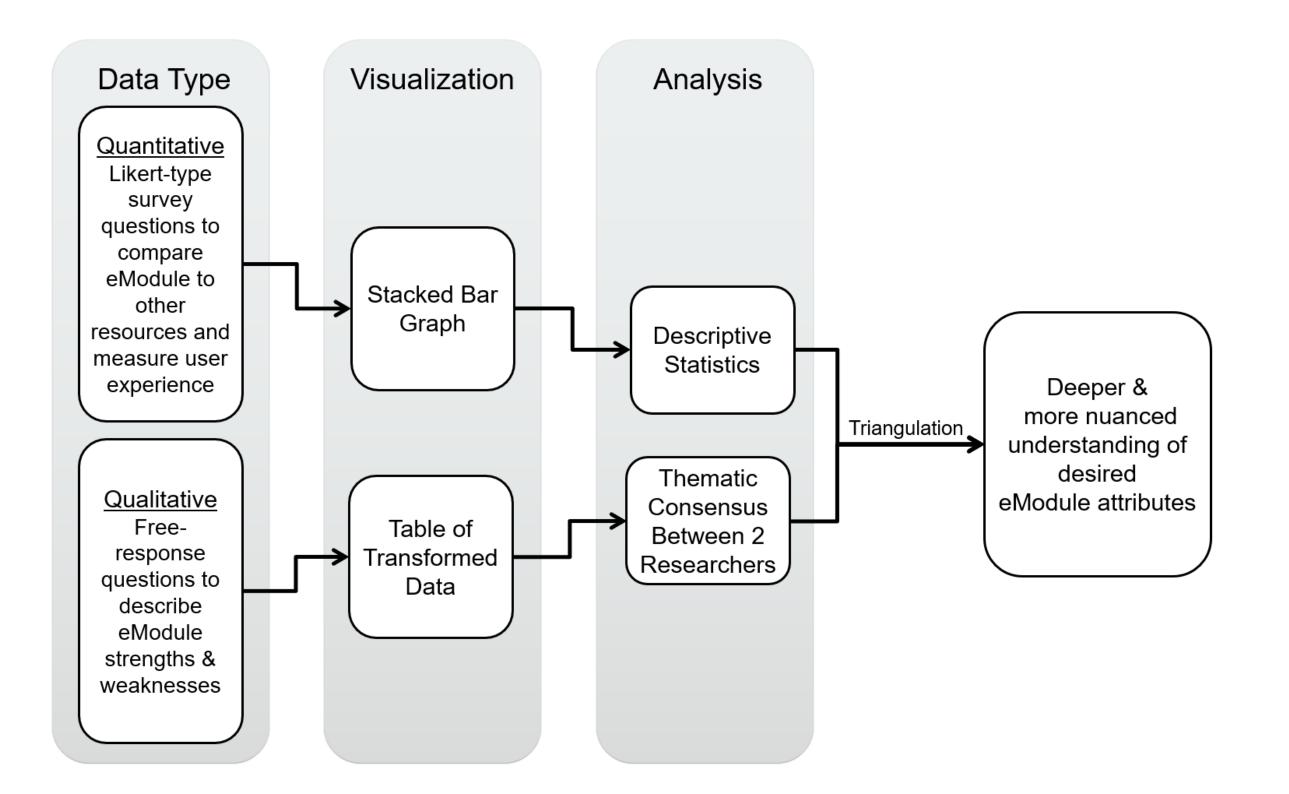
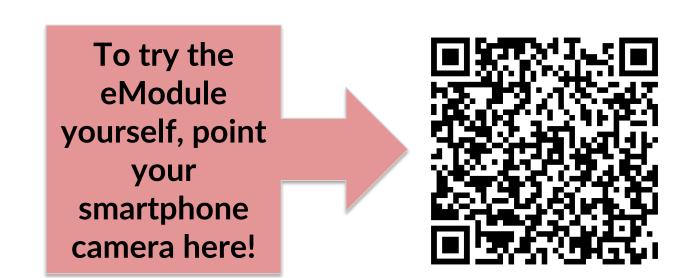
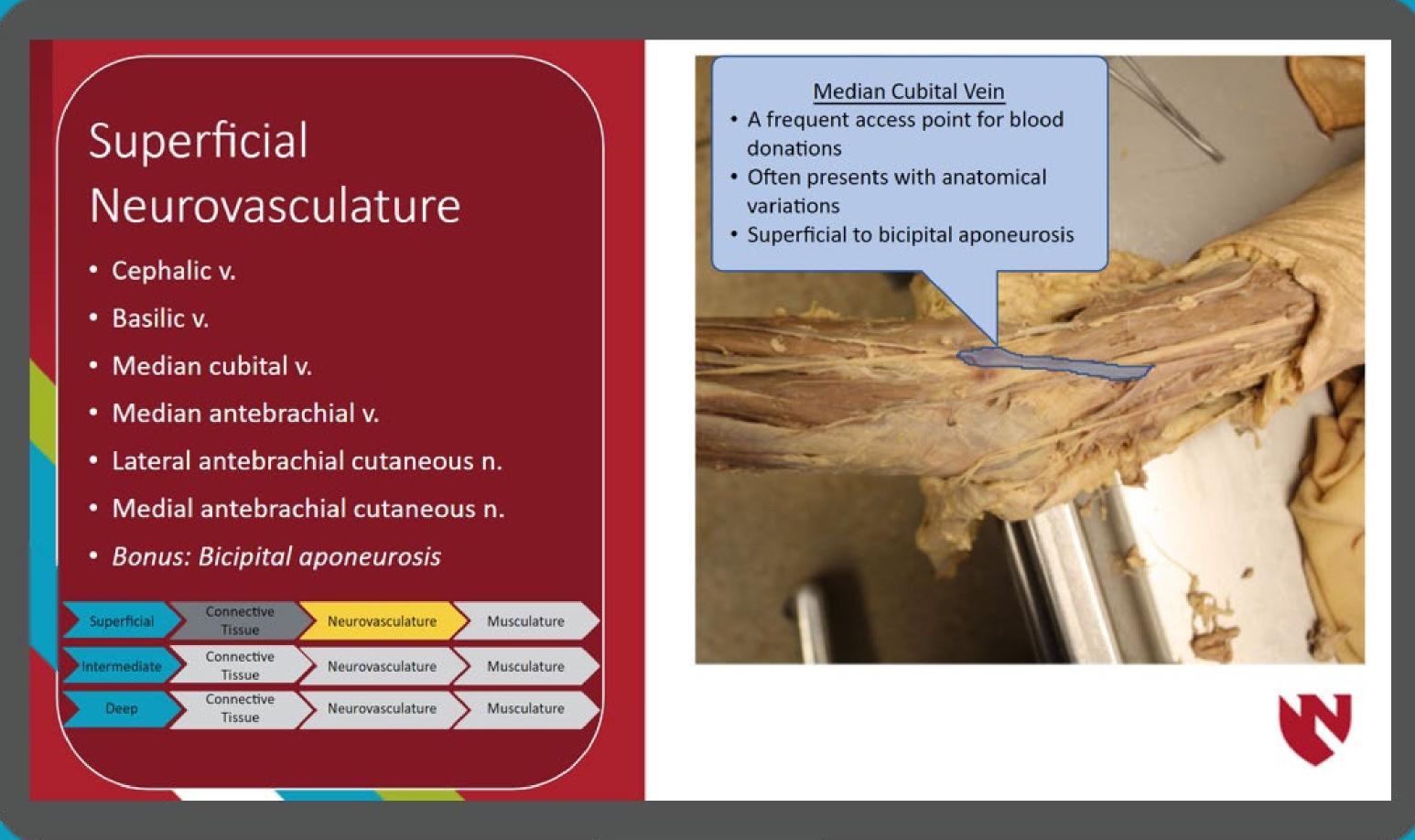
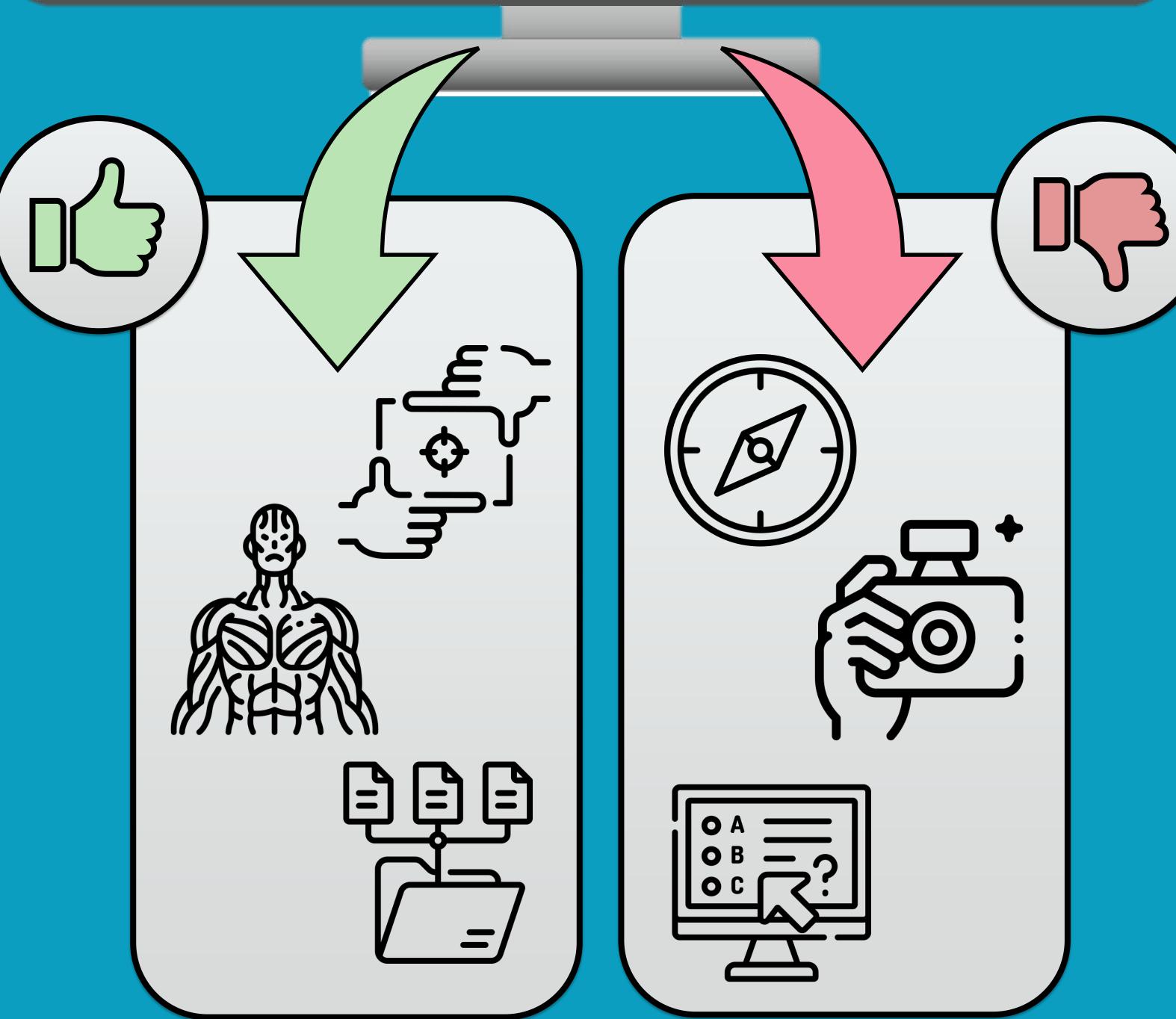


Figure 2. Procedural diagram for the development of survey content, production of schematic, and analysis of respondent feedback.



Gross anatomy eModules are preferred by M1's, but need to integrate spatial orientation.





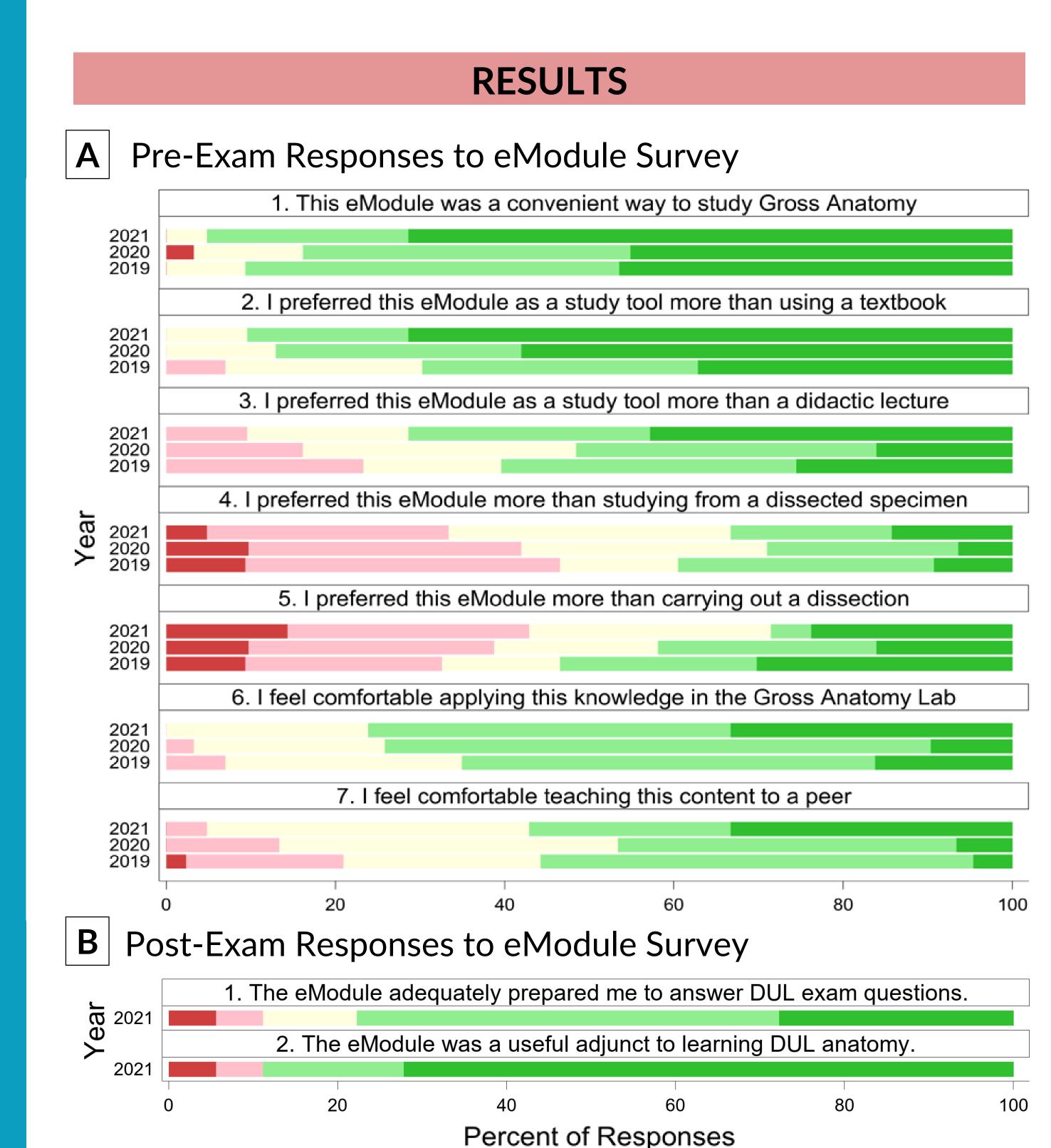


Figure 3. Likert-type survey responses. A) The majority of students responding to the post-eModule, pre-exam survey agreed or strongly agreed that the eModule was (1) convenient, (2 & 3) preferred in comparison to a textbook or didactic lecture, and (6) applicable to the gross anatomy lab. B) Greater than 75% of students responding to the post-eModule, post-exam survey agreed or strongly agreed that the eModule (1) prepared them for DUL eModule questions and (2) was useful as a learning adjunct.

Response Options to Survey Questions:

■ Strongly Disagree □ Disagree □ Neutral □ Agree ■ Strongly Agree

<u>Themes</u>			Post-eModule Pre-Exam Count	Post-eModule Post-Exam Count
Beneficial Features	User Experience	Convenient/Independent learning	4	1
		Term list to highlight	5	2
		Two modes of use	5	3
	Photos	General support/Cadaveric images	11	9
	eModule	Structure boundaries	3	2
	Mechanics	Consolidation/Organization of information	9	3
	Description	Innervation	3	2
	Box	Origin/Insertion	1	1
	Curricular	Suggest to require prior to dissection	4	0
	Utility	Value as supplemental resource	2	0
Deficient Features	User	Learning evaluation (e.g. quiz)	12	3
		Figure legend for orientation	15	0
	Experience	Section/Post-eModule summary slide (e.g. Clinical relevance)	3	1
	Photos	Increased angles/ views	4	5
	eModule Mechanics	Dubbed audio companion	1	0
	Description Box	Add action of muscle	5	4

Figure 4. Transformed qualitative data from free-response survey questions, both before and after the lab practical exam. Themes with ≥ 5 responses are highlighted by a darker tone.