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Influence of a professional learning programme in physics on teachers' beliefs and classroom practices

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Instructional practices in physics classrooms are recognised as having a strong influence on students'lack of interest and continuation in studying physics. Teachers'beliefs are reported to have a significant influence on their classroom practices. This study presents the beliefs of 32 secondary teachers' and their classroom practices, after completing a two-year professional learning programme in physics. Findings reveal that teachers' have stronger beliefs about the importance of child-centred learning and that there is a positive correlation between their child-centred beliefs and their use of inquiry-based learning in physics education.

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