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Woooooahhh! vs Aha!, is the choice obvious? FARAZ MEHDI,
Hypertherm Inc. — There has been a lot of focus towards attracting people, especially under-represented groups, to STEM fields. One of the ways to accomplish this is short demonstrations and workshops, where young students are exposed to “exciting” experiments in an effort to make STEM more appealing. We tried an alternative approach by making the students perform a deliberately “boring” experiment but one which made them think scientifically. This was tested on a small group of high school students during Girls Technology Day in New Hampshire.

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