

Table 1 Selected demographic and smoking behaviour and attitude variables for medical students in Amman, Jordan (n = 340)

| Variable | No. | % |
|---|------------|----------------|
| Sex | | |
| Male | 202 | 59.6 |
| Female | 137 | 40.4 |
| Year in medical school | | |
| 1st | 195 | 57.4 |
| 4th | 145 | 42.6 |
| Smoking status | | |
| Never smoker | 256 | 79.5 |
| Former smoker | 5 | 1.6 |
| Current occasional smoker | 23 | 7.1 |
| Current daily smoker | 38 | 11.8 |
| How do you feel about quitting? (current smokers) | | |
| Not ready | 15 | 26.8 |
| Thinking about it | 21 | 37.5 |
| Ready now | 20 | 35.7 |
| Do you believe it is wrong for doctors to smoke in front of patients? | | |
| Yes | 306 | 96.2 |
| No | 12 | 3.8 |
| Smoking is harmful to your health | | |
| Strongly agree | 300 | 88.2 |
| Agree | 36 | 10.6 |
| Other | 4 | 1.2 |
| | Mean (SD) | Median (range) |
| Age (years) | 19.8 (1.4) | 19 (17–26) |
| No. of cigarettes smoked/day by smokers | 11.2 (8.5) | 10 (1–25) |
| Duration of smoking by current smokers (years) | 2.8 (2.0) | 2 (0–9) |

Data were missing for some items.

SD = standard deviation.