Knowledge item	Physicians (<i>n</i> = 110)		Nurses (<i>n</i> = 151)		Housekeepers (n = 89)		χ²-value	<i>P</i> -value
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%		
Items correctly answered								
Existence of department plans for waste disposal	66	60.0	114	75.5	83	93.3	35.3	< 0.001
Existence of a hospital system for waste disposal	85	77.3	126	83.4	87	97.8	23.6	< 0.001
What to put in black disposal bags	67	60.9	99	65.6	49	55.1	2.63	> 0.05
What to put in red disposal bags	67	60.9	62	41.1	35	39.3	12.8	< 0.001
What to put in sharps box	57	51.8	72	47.7	21	23.6	18.9	< 0.001
Identification of biohazard symbol	52	47.3	52	34.4	15	16.9	20.3	< 0.001
Satisfactory knowledge score (≥ 60% items correct)	75	68.3	92	60.9	36	40.4	16.5	< 0.001

Table 2 Knowledge of health-care workers in different jobs about aspects of waste disposal at the hospital

NS = not significant.