

Table 1 Numbers of research papers indexed in Medline and Embase originating from the Syrian Arab Republic by biomedical specialty

Specialty	No. of papers	% of all papers (n = 386)
Dentistry	41	11
Public health	36	9
Surgery	28	7
Dermatology	15	4
Cardiology	14	4
Laboratory	11	3
Urology	11	3
Gastroenterology	7	2
Medical history	7	2
Genetics	7	2
Obstetrics & gynaecology	7	2
Ophthalmology	6	2
Rheumatology	6	2
Chest medicine	5	1
Microbiology	5	1
Paediatrics	5	1
Anaesthesia	3	1
Neurology	2	1
Otology	1	0
Oncology	1	0
Psychiatry	1	0