

Table 5 Beliefs of general practitioners in Doha about complementary and alternative medicine (CAM) therapies (n = 119)

Item	Strongly agree/ agree %	Strongly disagree/ disagree %
CAM should be regulated by law	89.4	10.6
CAM should be practised in Qatar	83.2	16.8
CAM should be included in undergraduate medical education curriculum	80.7	19.3
There is a need for physician supervision of CAM	91.9	8.2
There is a scientific basis for CAM	86.6	13.4
CAM results are usually due to the placebo effect	25.0	75.0
CAM is a threat to the public's health	30.9	69.1
CAM practitioners should be fully qualified and licensed by law	96.5	3.5
CAM includes ideas and methods that physicians could benefit from	93.5	6.5
Treatments not tested in a scientifically recognized manner should be discouraged	88.5	11.5
CAM is a useful supplement to conventional medicine	82.7	17.3