

Table 5 Medical students' knowledge about diseases endemic in Sudan (*n* = 290 students)

Disease	% of students with correct answers						
	Causative agent(s)	Vector	Reservoir	Route(s) of transmission	Laboratory diagnosis	Treatment	Control & prevention
Malaria	76	79	59	79	94	34	64
Schistosomiasis	67	63	47	57	69	38	63
Leishmaniasis	53	65	50	56	37	37	40
Tuberculosis	86	-	70	85	53	65	71
AIDS	39	-	71	93	39	27	66
Diarrhoeal diseases	64	-	50	78	69	45	67
Cholera	60	-	56	80	44	43	45
Haemorrhagic fevers	31	27	-	34	13	11	22
Typhoid fever	73	-	46	74	61	44	49
Brucellosis	20	-	51	57	33	22	43
Hepatitides	74	-	56	75	32	20	51
Meningitis	74	-	62	37	69	34	58
Filariasis	32	18	37	33	19	10	17
Intestinal worms	49	-	40	54	46	12	36
Leprosy	60	-	46	47	-	30	22
Trypanosomiasis	15	45	36	44	15	7	23
Trachoma	16	-	26	21	-	11	13
Poliomyelitis	55	-	46	42	10	9	53
Diphtheria	18	-	35	37	-	12	32
Tetanus	47	-	32	40	-	19	48
Whooping cough	21	-	34	46	-	8	38
Measles	35	-	35	39	-	10	42
Scabies	30	-	12	12	5	3	7
Anthrax	9	-	10	18	6	6	7

- = not applicable.