

Table 3 Reliability coefficients for items of the Major Depression Inventory, Arabic version (MDI-A)

Item #	MDI-A item	Internal consistency reliability		Test-retest reliability		
		Cronbach α		ICC (95% CI)	Spearman ρ	P-value
		Corrected item-total correlation	If item deleted			
1	Have you felt low in spirits or sad?	0.82	0.89	0.93 (0.89-0.95)	0.81	< 0.001
2	Have you lost interest in your daily activities?	0.85	0.89	0.94 (0.76-0.95)	0.81	< 0.001
3	Have you felt lacking in energy and strength?	0.84	0.89	0.93 (0.89-0.96)	0.84	< 0.001
4	Have you felt less self-confident?	0.81	0.89	0.96 (0.93-0.97)	0.91	< 0.001
5	Have you had a bad conscience or feelings of guilt?	0.71	0.90	0.97 (0.96-0.98)	0.94	< 0.001
6	Have you felt that life wasn't worth living?	0.67	0.90	0.98 (0.97-0.99)	0.96	< 0.001
7	Have you had difficulty in concentrating, e.g. when reading the newspaper or watching television?	0.79	0.89	0.97 (0.95-0.98)	0.94	< 0.001
8a	Have you felt very restless?	0.41	0.91	0.99 (0.98-0.99)	0.95	< 0.001
8b	Have you felt subdued or slowed down?	0.37	0.91	0.99 (0.98-0.99)	0.96	< 0.001
9	Have you had trouble sleeping at night?	0.70	0.90	0.99 (0.98-0.99)	0.98	< 0.001
10a	Have you suffered from reduced appetite?	0.62	0.90	0.96 (0.94-0.98)	0.92	< 0.001
10b	Have you suffered from increased appetite?	-0.02	0.92	0.97 (0.95-0.98)	0.94	< 0.001
	Total score	0.83	0.89	0.98 (0.97-0.99)	0.95	< 0.001

ICC = intraclass correlation coefficient; CI = confidence interval.