

**Table 7 Distribution of patients with chronic lymphocytic leukaemia (CLL) and controls regarding history of exposure to pesticides in agriculture and their seroprevalence of anti-HCV**

Risk factor	CLL cases ( <i>n</i> = 23)		Controls ( <i>n</i> = 130)		$\chi^2$	<i>P</i> -value
	No.	%	No.	%		
<i>History of exposure to pesticides</i>						
Yes	6	26.1	34	26.2	0.00	> 0.05
No	17	73.9	96	73.8		
<i>Anti-HCV</i>						
+ve	8	34.8	28	21.5	1.91	> 0.05
-ve	15	65.2	102	78.5		

*HCV* = hepatitis C virus.