

Table 2 Comparison between Qatari and non-Qatari residents in relation to sex ratio, age group and etiology of pleural effusions (n = 200)

Variable	Non-Qatari (n = 147)		Qatari (n = 53)		P-value
	No.	%	No.	%	
Sex					
Male/female ratio	124/23	-	28/25		< 0.001
Age group (years)					
≥ 65	14	9.5	18	34.0	< 0.001
< 65	133	90.5	35	36.0	
Etiology					
Tuberculosis	59	40.1	6	11.3	0.002
Parapneumonic	27	18.4	11	20.8	0.860
Malignancy	23	15.6	8	15.1	0.890
Cardiac failure	11	7.5	15	28.3	0.002
Renal failure	2	1.4	4	7.5	0.043