

**Table 1 Demographic and professional characteristics of participating dental practitioners (*n* = 219)**

Variable	Value	
	No.	%
<b>Sex</b>		
Male	141	64.4
Female	78	35.6
<b>Degree</b>		
General practitioner	186	84.9
Specialist	33	15.1
<b>Academic position</b>		
Yes	14	6.5
No	205	93.5
	<b>Mean (SD)</b>	<b>Range</b>
Age (years)	36.5 (7.8)	24–72
Duration of practice (years)	9.6 (7.0)	0.5–37
No. of patients/week	35.7 (27.5)	5–200

*SD* = standard deviation.