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# Sleep Quality and Depression among Undergraduate Medical and Allied Medical Sciences Students: A Cross-Sectional Study At Umm Al-Qura University (Uqu) -

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## ABSTRACT

**Background:** Medical field is considered as high load and stressful field which begins from the day, student is enrolled in medical college, which may negatively affect his life and put him at risk for psychological problems. The purpose of this study was to determine prevalence of sleep quality and depression among medical and allied medical sciences students and find the relationship between sleep quality and depression with different variables

**Methods and Materials:** A cross-sectional study was conducted among students in medical, dental and pharmacy colleges. Students were randomly selected to fill Pittsburgh Sleep Quality Index (PSQI) for sleep quality and Patient Health Questionnaire (PHQ-9) for depression plus many questions, related to study object. The sampling technique used was multistage random and sample size was 681.

**Result:** 681 students enrolled in this study. In general, 71.4% had poor sleep quality with mean score  $7.47 \pm 3.19$  and 81.4% had depression with mean score  $9.54 \pm 5.32$  and 19.5% had suicidal ideation. Male had less depression and better sleep quality than female. Highest level of poor sleep quality was in pharmacy students, with 75.3% followed by dentistry 74.4% and lowest in medical students 69.2% and highest level of depression, 88.9%, was in dental students followed by medical students 80.7% and pharmacy students 79%. No significant association was observed between collage, academic year, marital status, economic status, health problem, smoking, regular attendance, GPA, cold or hot drink with sleep quality or depression. About 10.3% of students used sleep medication. Sleep quality, depression and suicidal ideation were significantly associated with each other's ( $p < 0.000$ )

**Limitations:** We wanted to include all departments of Allied medical sciences but could not get permission from the applied medical sciences, hence the result represent the depression rate in medical, pharmacy and dental students only.

**Conclusion:** The studied population had significantly high depression rate and poor sleep quality as compare to general population. The two scales of depression and sleep quality were significantly associated. Pharmacy students had highest percentage of poor sleep quality and dental students had highest level of depression. A detailed study should be conducted to find out the factors responsible for higher rates in the two faculties, in order to suggest the appropriate strategy to minimize the depression and poor sleep quality rate.

**Keywords:** Sleep quality; Depression; Medical students; Pittsburgh Sleep Quality Index; Patient Health Questionnaire-9; Makkah

## INTRODUCTION

A good sleep is essential for the repair and normal maintenance of good health. Good sleep does not mean sleeping for a long time neither short time as both associated with increased risk for cardiovascular disease, hypertension, obesity and diabetes [1]. Daniel J. Buysse defined Sleep health as "multidimensional pattern of sleep-wakefulness, adapted to individual, social, and environmental demands, that promotes physical and mental well-being" [2]. These dimensions include 5 concepts: sleep duration, sleep continuity or efficiency, timing, alertness/sleepiness and satisfaction/quality. Sleeping behaviors are affected by genes as it is heritable from parents [3]. Cognitive and motor functions are affected in case of moderate sleep deprivation and its effect similar to alcohol consumption at its highest legal limit or above it [4]. Sleep behaviors and psychiatric disorders (including depression) believes to be causative of each other that's mean sleep problems lead to depression and depression lead to problems in sleep [5]. One of the common questionnaires to assess sleep quality is Pittsburg Sleep Quality Index (PSQI) and for screening depression, Patient Health Questionnaire (PHQ-9) [6,7]. The objectives of this research are 1) To determine prevalence of sleep quality and depression among medical and allied medical sciences students and 2) To find the relationship between sleep quality and depression with different variables.

## METHODS

**Setting:** This study was conducted at Umm Al-Qura University (UQU) in Makkah, Saudi Arabia. This university has about 100,000+ students in different campus of the university. The university has 2190 students in medical and allied medical sciences (dentistry and pharmacy). There are four faculties involved in teaching medicine including medical college, dental college, Pharmacy College and applied Medicine College. We were not given consent by the administration of applied medicine college administration and we had to limit our study to only three institutions.

## Study design: observational cross-sectional study

**Tools for measurements:** Pittsburgh Sleep Quality Index (PSQI) (sensitivity 89.6% and specificity 86.5%) and it contains 18 questions composed of 7 components: subjective sleep quality, sleep latency, sleep duration, sleep efficiency, sleep disturbance, use of sleep medication and day time dysfunction to assess sleep quality during last month. Each component has score ranged from 0 to 3 with global score out of 21. Score 5 or less represent good sleep quality whereas score above 5 represent poor sleep quality [6].

Patient Health Questionnaire (PHQ-9) (sensitivity 80% and specificity 92%) to screen for depression and suicidal ideation and it contains 9 items with global score out of 27. Score between 0-4 indicate none or minimal depression (we considered this group as none or no depression), 5-9 mild depression, 10-14 moderate depression, 15-19 moderately severe and 20-27 severe [7].

Many questions were added that related to marital and socioeconomic status, health problems, regular attendance, GPA, smoking, drinking tea or coffee (hot drink) and energy or soft drinks (cold drink) consumption in order to find the association of depression and sleep quality with the above-mentioned factors

**Study population:** The Population of study is all undergraduate medical, dental, pharmacy students in Umm Al-Qura University from first year to final year. Total study population is 2190 students (1090 male and 1100 female). Medical, pharmacy and dental students represent about 63%, 23.8% and 13.2% respectively. First and second year at medicine and dentistry are preclinical year while third, fourth and fifth are clinical years.

**Sample size:** Epi-info software of Centre for Disease Control (CDC) was used to calculate sample size. The power of study set at 90, while absolute precision was kept at 5% and the prevalence from a previous study of 36.6% was taken to calculate the final sample size [8]. We found a sample size of 681 with 99% confidence interval. A

list of all students registered was obtained from the academic office of each college and a random sample were selected for each year from each college.

The sample size was distributed between specialties according to their proportion of study population. The population was further stratified by gendering, number of fifth year male medical students is 128 that represent 5.84% of study population hence 5.84% of sample size was from fifth year male medical students that is about 40 students and in this way the sample size was distributed. We used Chi Square test of significance for Table 1 and 5 as the data was categorical independent and non-paired.

**Procedure:** Ethical approval was obtained from Faculty of Medicine at Umm Al-Qura University. The data were collected on April 2016 (one month before final exams) randomly from students who signed on consent forms. All statistical analysis done by SPSS ver. 23.

## RESULTS

The demographic and characteristics features of the students are shown in (Table 1).

In general, 71.4% had poor sleep quality (score greater than 5) ranged from 6-17 and 81.4% had depression (score greater than 4) ranged from 5-25. 19.5% report suicidal ideation at least once in last two weeks. The mean score for sleep quality was  $7.47 \pm 3.19$  and the mean score for depression was  $9.54 \pm 5.32$ .

Highest level of poor sleep quality was in pharmacy students, with 75.3% followed by dentistry, 74.4% and lowest in medical students 68.76%. Highest level of depression was in dental students, 88.9% then medical students, 80.7% followed by pharmacy students 79%. Highest level of suicidal ideation was found in dentistry students, 35.6% followed by pharmacy and medicine 19.1% and 16.3% respectively (Table1).

About 31% of male had good sleep quality with mean score  $7.14 \pm 2.96$  and (24.6%) had no depression with mean score  $8.51 \pm 5.1$ . Female were more likely to have depression and poor sleep quality than male. Highest level of depression among years was in second year and lowest in last year. Highest level of good sleep quality was in first year and lowest in fourth year. Single students had more depression 81.4% and better sleep quality 29%. There was more percentage of depression among students with low economic status (88.9%) and more percentage of poor sleep quality among students with medium economic status (75.7%). Students with health problem had more depression (86.8%) and worse sleep quality (77.9%). Students who smoke had more depression (86.7%) and worse sleep quality (74.7%) respectively. Student with very good GPA had better sleep quality (30.3%) and less depression (78.5%). Students who are regular in attending had less depression (79.7%) and better sleep quality (29.9%) respectively. Students who drink hot drinks daily had proportionally less depression (78.48%) and better sleep quality (31.2%) respectively. On other side students who drink cold drinks daily had more depression (83.87%) and worse sleep quality (80.6%) respectively. However no significant association were found between all these variables with sleep quality or depression except that gender was significantly associated with depression only. (Table 2).

For severity of depression (36.7%) had mild depression, while (5%) had severe depression and (18.6%) had no depression (Figure 1). Increase severity of depression is significantly associated with

**Table 1:** Demographic and characteristic features of study population

Variables	Collages			
	Total (N = 681)	Medicine (N = 429)	Pharmacy (N = 162)	Dentistry (N = 90)
<b>Academic Year</b>				
1 <sup>st</sup>	163 (23.9%)	87 (20.3%)	51 (31.5%)	25 (27.8%)
2 <sup>nd</sup>	153 (22.5%)	81 (18.9%)	50 (30.9%)	22 (24.4%)
3 <sup>rd</sup>	128 (18.8%)	81 (18.9%)	31 (19.1%)	16 (17.8%)
4 <sup>th</sup>	122 (17.9%)	80 (18.6%)	30 (18.5%)	12 (13.3%)
5 <sup>th</sup>	115 (16.9%)	100 (23.3%)	-	15 (16.7%)
<b>Gender</b>				
Male	338 (49.6%)	218 (50.8%)	75 (46.3%)	45 (50%)
Female	343 (50.4%)	211 (49.2%)	87 (53.7%)	45 (50%)
<b>Marital Status</b>				
Single	635 (93.2%)	399 (93%)	155 (95.7%)	81 (90%)
Married	46 (6.8%)	30 (7%)	7 (4.3%)	9 (10%)
<b>Economic Status</b>				
High	410 (60.2%)	256 (59.7%)	96 (59.3%)	58 (64.4%)
Medium	235 (34.5%)	145 (33.8%)	62 (38.3%)	28 (31.1%)
Low	36 (5.3%)	28 (6.5%)	4 (2.5%)	4 (4.4%)
<b>Health Problems</b>				
Yes	68 (10%)	49 (11.4%)	12 (7.4%)	7 (7.8%)
No	613 (90%)	380 (88.6%)	150 (92.6%)	83 (92.2%)
<b>Smoking</b>				
Yes	83 (12.2%)	46 (10.7%)	18 (11.1%)	19 (21.1%)
No	598 (87.8%)	383 (89.3%)	144 (88.9%)	71 (78.9%)
<b>Regular Attendance</b>				
Yes	428 (62.8%)	263 (61.3%)	106 (65.4%)	59 (65.6%)
No	253 (37.2%)	166 (38.7%)	56 (34.6%)	31 (34.4%)
<b>GPA</b>				
Excellent	208 (30.5%)	154 (35.9%)	28 (17.3%)	26 (28.9%)
Very Good	353 (51.8%)	204 (47.6%)	106 (65.4%)	43 (47.8%)
Good to Low	120 (17.6%)	71 (16.5%)	28 (17.3%)	21 (23.3%)
<b>Hot Drinks Use</b>				
Daily	237 (34.8%)	169 (39.4%)	42 (25.9%)	26 (28.9%)
Almost Daily	134 (19.7%)	74 (17.2%)	41 (25.3%)	19 (21.1%)
Sometimes	174 (25.5%)	102 (23.8%)	49 (30.2%)	23 (25.6%)
Rarely	108 (15.9%)	66 (15.4%)	24 (14.8%)	18 (20%)
Never	28 (4.1%)	18 (4.2%)	6 (3.7%)	4 (4.4%)
<b>Cold Drinks Use</b>				
Daily	62 (9.1%)	36 (8.4%)	11 (6.8%)	15 (16.7%)
Almost Daily	101 (14.8%)	62 (14.5%)	24 (14.8%)	15 (16.7%)
Sometimes	173 (25.4%)	106 (24.7%)	50 (30.9%)	17 (18.9%)
Rarely	199 (29.2%)	127 (29.6%)	47 (29%)	25 (27.8%)
Never	146 (21.4%)	98 (22.8%)	30 (18.5%)	18 (20%)
<b>Depression</b>				
Present	554 (81.4)	346 (80.7%)	128 (79%)	80 (88.9%)
Not Present	127 (18.6%)	83 (19.3%)	34 (21%)	10 (11.1%)
<b>Suicidal Ideation</b>				
Present	133 (19.5%)	70 (16.3%)	31 (19.1%)	32 (35.6%)
Not Present	548 (80.5%)	359 (83.7%)	131 (80.9%)	58 (64.4%)
<b>Sleep Quality</b>				
Good	195(28.6%)	132 (30.8%)	40 (24.7%)	23 (25.6%)
Poor	486 (71.4%)	297 (69.2%)	122 (75.3%)	67 (74.4%)

sleep quality ( $p < 0.000$ ) (Figure 2). Male students had less depression, better sleep quality than female, across, all three colleges except in dentistry. Highest level of severe depression was among medical students (Table 3).

About 42% of students with no depression report poor sleep quality whereas 78.2% with depression had poor sleep quality. Students with depression, have 5 times risk to have poor sleep quality than who do not have depression. 85% of students with suicidal ideation report poor sleep quality whereas 68.1% of students who do

**Table 2:** The association between depression and sleep quality with study variable

Study Variable	Depression					Sleep Quality						
	Yes		No		p - value	OR (95% CI)	Good		Poor		p -value	OR (95% CI)
	n	%	n	%			n	%	n	%		
<b>College</b>												
Medicine	346	80.7%	83	19.3%	0.129	Ref	132	30.8%	297	69.2%	0.272	Ref
Pharmacy	128	79%	34	21%		0.90	40	24.7%	122	75.3%		0.74
Dentistry	80	88.9%	10	11.1%		1.92	23	25.6%	67	74.4%		0.77
<b>Academic Year</b>												
1 <sup>st</sup>	133	81.6%	30	18.4%	0.522	Ref	53	32.5%	110	67.5%	0.515	Ref
2 <sup>nd</sup>	128	83.7%	25	16.3%		1.15	40	26.1%	113	73.9%		0.73
3 <sup>rd</sup>	106	82.8%	22	17.2%		1.09	34	26.6%	94	73.4%		0.75
4 <sup>th</sup>	100	82%	22	18%		1.03	31	25.4%	91	74.6%		0.71
5 <sup>th</sup>	87	75.7%	28	24.3%		0.70	37	32.2%	78	67.8%		0.98
<b>Gender</b>												
Male	255	75.4%	83	24.6%	< 0.000	0.45	106	31.4%	232	68.6%	0.118	1.30
Female	299	87.2%	44	12.8%		Ref	89	25.9%	254	74.1%		Ref
<b>Marital Status</b>												
Single	517	81.4%	118	18.6%	0.869	1.07	184	29%	451	71%	0.463	1.30
Married	37	80.4%	9	19.6%		Ref	11	23.9%	35	76.1%		Ref
<b>Economic Status</b>												
High	326	79.5%	84	20.5%	0.233	Ref	128	31.2%	282	68.8%	0.169	Ref
Medium	196	83.4%	39	16.6%		1.29	57	24.3%	178	75.7%		0.71
Low	32	88.9%	4	11.1%		2.06	10	27.8%	26	72.2%		0.85
<b>Health Problems</b>												
Yes	59	86.8%	9	13.2%	0.227	1.56	15	22.1%	53	77.9%	0.206	0.68
No	495	80.8%	118	19.2%		Ref	180	29.4%	433	70.6%		Ref
<b>Smoking</b>												
Yes	72	86.7%	11	13.3%	0.178	1.58	21	25.3%	62	74.7%	0.473	0.82
No	482	80.6%	116	19.4%		Ref	174	29.1%	424	70.9%		Ref
<b>Regular Attendance</b>												
Yes	341	79.7%	87	20.3%	0.144	0.74	128	29.9%	300	70.1%	0.339	1.18
No	213	84.2%	40	15.8%		Ref	67	26.5%	186	73.5%		Ref
<b>GPA</b>												
Excellent	174	83.7%	34	16.3%	0.120	Ref	62	29.8%	146	70.2%	0.176	Ref
Very Good	277	78.5%	76	21.5%		0.71	107	30.3%	246	69.7%		1.02
Good or Low	103	85.8%	17	14.2%		1.18	26	21.7%	94	78.3%		0.65
<b>Hot Drinks Use</b>												
Daily	186	78.5%	51	21.5%	0.516	Ref	73	30.8%	164	69.2%	0.881	Ref
Almost Daily	111	82.8%	23	17.2%		1.32	35	26.1%	99	73.9%		0.79
Sometimes	141	81%	33	19%		1.17	50	28.7%	124	71.3%		0.91
Rarely	91	84.3%	17	15.7%		1.48	30	27.8%	78	72.2%		0.86
Never	25	89.3%	3	10.7%		2.28	7	25%	21	75%		0.75
<b>Cold Drinks Use</b>												
Daily	52	83.9%	10	16.1%	0.167	Ref	12	19.4%	50	80.6%	0.181	Ref
Almost Daily	89	88.1%	12	11.9%		1.43	23	22.8%	78	77.2%		1.23
Sometimes	138	79.8%	35	20.2%		0.75	57	32.9%	116	67.1%		2.05
Rarely	164	82.4%	35	17.6%		0.90	58	29.1%	141	70.9%		1.71
Never	111	76%	35	24%		0.61	45	30.8%	101	69.2%		1.86

not have suicidal ideation, had poor sleep quality. Suicidal ideation is 20 times risk to be associated with depression than who do not (OR 20:1). About 71% of students with severe depression (24 out of 34 students) had suicidal ideation. About 12.3% of students report suicidal ideation several days) and female report higher level of suicidal ideation than male (20.7% versus 18.3%), however there was no significant association between suicidal ideation with gender ( $p = 0.438$ ). About 3% of dental students had suicidal ideation every day (Figure 3). Significant association was observed between depression, sleep quality and suicidal ideation with each other ( $p < 0.000$ ) (Table 4).

10.3% of student use sleep medication at least once in last month and male had higher rates than female (10.9% versus 9.6%) with no significant association between use of sleep medication with gender ( $p = 0.321$ ). highest percentage was among dental students (12.2%). Only

5.7% of student who used sleep medication had good sleep quality and 90% of them had depression. Highest sleeping trouble reported by students were; cannot get to sleep within 30 minutes and wake up in middle of night or early morning by 69.8% and 64.2% respectively. About 63% of students' sleep 4-6 hours, only and 6.2% sleep more than 8 hours. Most of students (47%) went to bed at 12:00AM-1:59 AM and most of students (36.1%) woke up at 7:00AM-7:59AM (Table 5). Mean sleeping hours is 5.65 (5 hours and 39 minutes) with male score 5.80 and female score 5.50. Lowest depression and best sleep quality was among student who sleep between 7 to 9 hours whereas depression and poor sleep quality increase in student who sleep less than 7 hours or even more than 9 hours (Figure 4). On Pearson correlation sleeping quality and depression were significantly and negatively correlated with sleeping duration ( $p = < 0.01$ ).

For the seven PSQI components the worst scored by all students

was sleep duration followed by sleep latency. Subjective sleep quality, sleep latency, sleep duration and habitual sleep efficiency were highest and worst among pharmacy students. Sleep disturbances and use of sleep medication were worst among dentistry and for daytime dysfunction was worst in dentistry. We used Kruskal-Wallis Test, only 2 components were significant that is sleep duration and daytime dysfunction, also the global PSQI score were significant according to colleges (Table 6). According to gender male was worse than female

in only 2 components that is habitual sleep efficiency and use of sleep medication. We used Mann-Whitney Test sleep duration, sleep disturbances and daytime dysfunction were significant according to gender (Table 7).

### DISCUSSION

The aim of the present study was to find prevalence of sleep quality and depression among medical and allied medical sciences students and the relationship between sleep quality and depression.

In present study, a total of 681 students were assessed for their sleep quality, depression and suicidal ideation in three colleges of Umm Al-Qura University. Dentistry students performed poor in most of the risk indicators like cold drink daily use, depression and suicidal ideation as compare to medicine and pharmacy students. The male/female ratio of the studied population was 49.6:50.4 and most of them (60.2%) were from affluent families. Forty-six (6.8%) were married. Eighty-three (12.2%) were smokers.

Most of the students in the present study 71.4% had poor sleep quality, our result is close to Shad, 2015 who found it 72.9% and Afandi,2013 found it 67.2% [9,10]. Other similar Saudi studies conducted by Abdulghani et al, 2012 and Alsaggaf, 2016 recorded it as 36.6% and 30% respectively [8,11]. Serra-Negra,2014 found it 60.1% [12]. Kabrita,2014 found it 58.7% [13]. Lemma, 2012 found it 55.8% [14]. Cates, 2015 found it 55% [15]. Shu Hui, 2012 found it 54.7% [16]. Assaad, 2014 found it 53.2% [17]. Juan et al, 2013 found it 51.8% [18]. Lohsoonthorn, 2013 found it 48.1% [19]. Jain, 2013 found it 41.1% [20].

In present study, the mean score for global PSQI was  $7.47 \pm 3.19$  while Kabrita, 2014 found it  $6.57 \pm 3.49$  (13). Shad, 2015 who found it  $6.45 \pm 2.85$  [9]. Shih Yu et al, 2013 found it  $6.29 \pm 2.98$  [21]. Lemma,2012 found it 6.23 [14]. Cates, 2015 found it  $6.19 \pm 2.93$  [15]. Serra-Negra, 2014 found it  $6.08 \pm 2.18$  [12]. Shu Hui, 2012 recorded it as  $6.0 \pm 2.5$  [16]. Our results are higher than what all other studies reported, probably the cause may be, the more complicated and difficult system in theses colleges, which ignore completely the psychological conditions of students, put them under pressure of studying, changing their habit, like studying all night, trying to study and cover all objectives of each subject, and also working on projects, which may result in poor sleep quality and depression that's why we advise to establish a wellness unit in each college to help student how to deal with all these huge responsibilities.

In present study, female had more poor sleep quality than male which is similar to result found by Shad, 2015, Abdulghani et al, 2012, Juan et al, 2013 and Shu Hui, 2012 ([8,9,16], [18]). Other studies were opposite to our result that male had more poor sleep quality than female found by Cates, 2015, Afandi,2013 and Lohsoonthorn,2013 [10,15,19].

In present study mean sleep hours is 5 hours and 40 minutes (5.7 hours) which is close to 5.8 hours [11]. Kabrita,2014 found it 7.95 hours [13]. Shih Yu et al, 2013 found it 7 hours [21]. Cates, 2015 and Serra-Negra, 2014 found it 6.8 hours [12,15]. Lemma,2012 found it 6.79 hours [14]. Assaad,2014 found it 6.67 hours [17].

Similar to present study, previous studies found no significant association of sleep quality with gender, (9, 10, 13, 15, 17). academic year [15]. marital status [13]. economic status [13]. hot drinks [13,18]. smoking [10,16,18]. GPA [11]. and health problems [8,16]. In contrast to present study, previous studies found significant association of

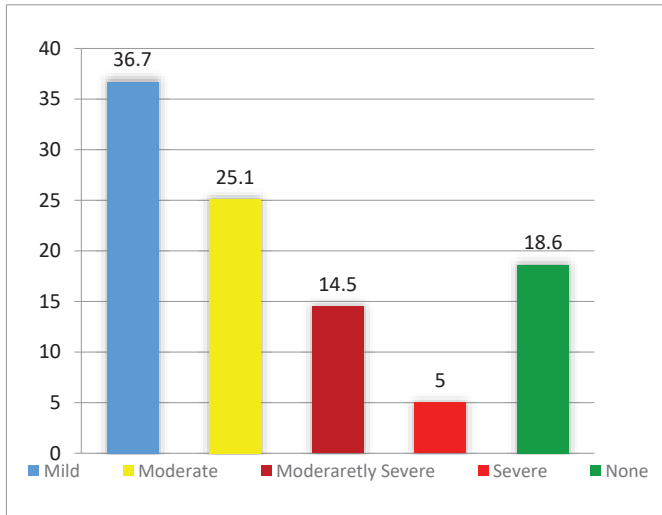


Figure 1: Distribution of severity of depression.

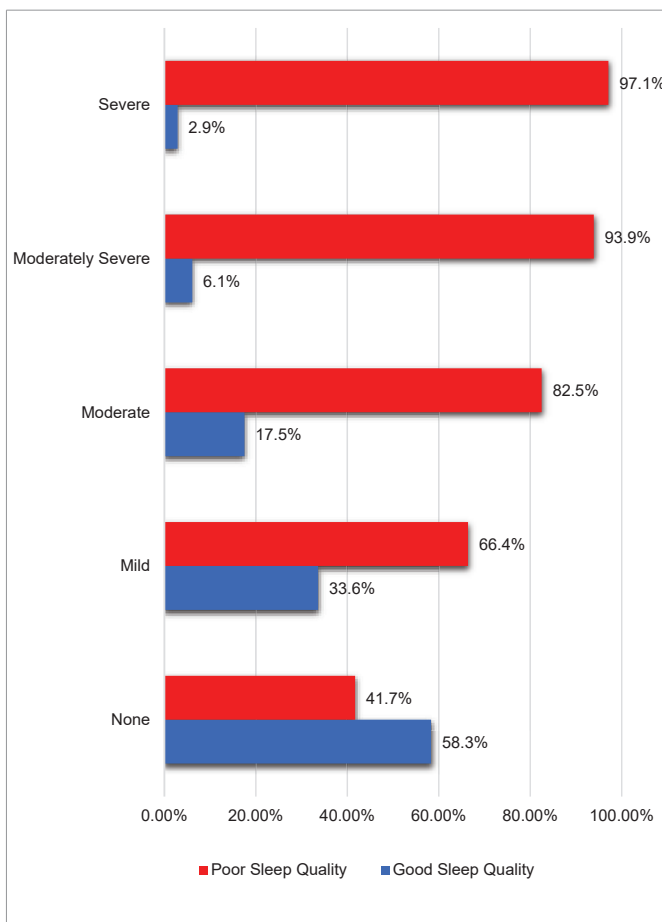


Figure 2: Relation between severity of depression with sleep quality.

**Table 3:** Types of depression and sleep quality and its distribution among colleges. According to academic year and gender.

College	Depression					Sleep Quality	
	None	Mild	Moderate	Moderately Severe	Severe	Good	Poor
<b>Medicine</b>	83(19.3%)	156(36.3%)	101(23.5%)	65(15.1%)	25(5.8%)	132 (30.8%)	297 (69.2%)
<b>Academic Year</b>							
1	14 (16.1%)	30 (34.5%)	28 (32.2%)	9 (10.3%)	6 (6.9%)	26 (29.9%)	61 (70.1%)
2	12 (14.8%)	32 (39.5%)	24 (29.6%)	11 (13.6%)	2 (2.5)	23 (28.4%)	58 (71.6%)
3	13 (16%)	26 (32.1%)	18 (22.2%)	17 (21%)	7 (8.6%)	25 (30.9%)	56 (69.1%)
4	18 (22.5%)	35 (43.8%)	12 (15%)	10 (12.5%)	5 (6.3%)	25 (31.3%)	55 (68.8%)
5	26 (26%)	33 (33%)	19 (19%)	18 (18%)	4 (4%)	33 (33%)	67 (67%)
<b>Gender</b>							
Male	55 (25.2%)	85 (39%)	48 (22%)	24 (11%)	6 (2.8%)	71 (32.6%)	147 (67.4%)
Female	28 (13.3%)	71 (33.6%)	53 (25.1%)	41 (19.4%)	18 (8.5%)	61 (28.9%)	150 (71.1%)
<b>Pharmacy</b>	34 (21%)	69 (42.6%)	41 (25.3%)	12 (7.4%)	6 (3.7%)	40 (24.7%)	122 (75.3%)
<b>Academic Year</b>							
1	13 (25.5%)	16 (31.4%)	14 (27.5%)	3 (5.9%)	5 (9.8%)	19 (37.3%)	32 (62.7%)
2	10 (20%)	25 (50%)	9 (18%)	6 (12%)	0 (0%)	13 (26%)	37 (74%)
3	7 (22.6%)	14 (45.2%)	8 (25.8%)	1 (3.2%)	1 (3.2%)	4 (12.9%)	27 (87.1%)
4	4 (13.3%)	14 (46.7%)	10 (33.3%)	2 (6.7%)	0 (0%)	4 (13.3%)	26 (86.7%)
<b>Gender</b>							
Male	21 (28%)	34 (45.3%)	18 (24%)	0 (0%)	2 (2.7%)	24 (32%)	51 (68%)
Female	13 (14.9%)	35 (40.2%)	23 (26.4%)	12 (13.8%)	4 (4.6%)	16 (18.4%)	71 (81.6%)
<b>Dentistry</b>	10 (11.1%)	25 (27.8%)	29 (32.2%)	22 (24.4%)	4 (4.4%)	23 (25.6%)	67 (74.4%)
<b>Academic Year</b>							
1	3 (12%)	6 (24%)	8 (32%)	5 (20%)	3 (12%)	8 (32%)	17 (68%)
2	3 (13.6%)	6 (27.3%)	7 (31.8%)	6 (27.3%)	0 (0%)	4 (18.2%)	18 (81.8%)
3	2 (12.5%)	5 (31.3%)	5 (31.3%)	4 (25%)	0 (0%)	5 (31.3%)	11 (68.8%)
4	0 (0%)	2 (16.7%)	6 (50%)	4 (33.3%)	0 (0%)	2 (16.7%)	10 (83.3%)
5	2 (13.3%)	6 (40%)	3 (20%)	3 (20%)	1 (6.7%)	4 (26.7%)	11 (73.3%)
<b>Gender</b>							
Male	7 (15.6%)	14 (31.1%)	12 (26.7%)	9 (20%)	3 (6.7%)	11 (24.4%)	34 (75.6%)
Female	3 (6.7%)	11 (24.4%)	17 (37.8%)	13 (28.9%)	1 (2.2%)	12 (26.7%)	33 (73.3%)

sleep quality with gender [8,16,18] academic year [9,12], hot drinks [16,19] cold drinks [10,18,19]. smoking [13] GPA [18,5] and regular attendance [10].

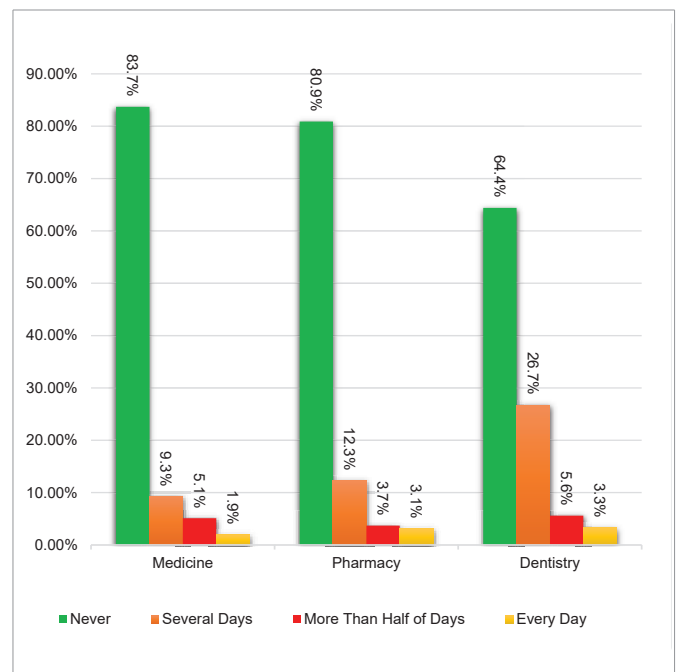
10.3% of students in present study use sleep medication which is close to 9% [11] while Serra-Negra, 2014 found it 5.5% [12]. and Lohsoonthorn,2013 found it 2% [19]. Assaad,2014 found it 21% and he support our finding that significant association of sleep quality with use of sleep medication and students who take sleep medication are at higher risk to be poor sleepers [17].

According to gender the present study found that out of the seven components of PSQI only 3 of it were significant which was sleep duration, sleep disturbances and daytime dysfunction and male worse than female in habitual sleep efficiency and use of sleep medication components. Cates, 2015 found that only sleep duration was significant and male worse than female in sleep duration, sleep latency and subjective sleep quality while Juan et al, 2013 found only sleep latency was significant [15,18].

In present study, we found the prevalence of depression as 81.4% among Umm Al-Qura University (UQU) students and the mean score for depression was  $9.54 \pm 5.32$ .

In previous studies conducted at UQU Khalid, 2015 and Jarwan,2015 found the prevalence of depression as 69.9% and 30.9% respectively [22,23]. While prevalence of depression in other studies conducted in Saudi Arabia universities were as follows; Inam, 2007 found it 50% in Qassim University students [24]. Al-Faris, 2012 found it 48.2% in King Saud University [25]. Kulsoom, 2015 found it 43% in Alfaisal University [26]. Ibrahim, 2013 found it 36.5% in King Abdul-Aziz University [27]. El-Gilany, 2008 found it 16.2% in King Faisal University [28]. In comparison to Non-Saudi. Bathla, 2015

found it 82.9% [29]. Khan, 2006 found it 70% [30]. Shi, 2016 found it 66.8% [31]. Sobowale, 2014 found it 64.9% with mean score  $6.02 \pm 3.44$  PHQ-9 [32]. Ayat, 2014 found it 63.6% [33]. Singh, 2016 found it 59.8% [34]. Lemma,2012 found it 50.8% [14]. Dyrbye, 2008 found it 46.5% [35]. Jadoon,2010 found it 43.9% [36]. Baldassin, 2008 found it 38.2% [37]. Jeong, 2010 found it 37.1% [38]. Ahmed, 2009 found it



**Figure 3:** Proportion of suicidal ideation in last two weeks.

**Table 4:** the significant association between sleep quality, depression and suicidal ideation.

Variable	Sleep Quality		p Value	OR	95% CI	
	Good	Poor			Lower	Upper
<b>Depression</b>						
Yes	121 (21.8%)	433 (78.2%)	< 0.000	1.0	0.133	0.300
No	74 (58.3%)	53 (41.7%)				
<b>Suicidal Ideation</b>						
Yes	20 (15%)	113 (85%)	< 0.000	1.0	1.6	4.4
No	175 (31.9%)	373 (68.1%)				
Variable	Depression		p Value	OR	95% CI	
	Yes	No			Lower	Upper
<b>Sleep Quality</b>						
Good	121 (62.1%)	74 (37.9%)	< 0.000	1.0	0.133	0.300
Poor	433 (89.1%)	53 (10.9%)				
<b>Suicidal Ideation</b>						
Yes	131 (98.5%)	2 (1.5%)	< 0.000	1.0	0.013	0.212
No	423 (77.2%)	125 (22.8%)				
Variable	Suicidal Ideation		p Value	OR	95% CI	
	Yes	No			Lower	Upper
<b>Sleep Quality</b>						
Good	20 (10.3%)	175 (89.7%)	< 0.000	1.0	1.60	4.41
Poor	113 (23.3%)	373 (76.7%)				
<b>Depression</b>						
Yes	131 (23.6%)	423 (76.4%)	< 0.000	1.0	0.013	0.212
No	2 (1.6%)	125 (98.4%)				

28.6% [39]. Bayram,2008 found it 27.1% [40]. Mellal, 2014 found it 22.2% [41]. Al Busaidi, 2011 found it 17% [42]. Dahlin, 2005 found it 12.9% [43]. Galen, 2014 found it 9.5% [44]. Coentre, 2016 found it 7.9% [45].

Similar to present study previous studies found no significant association of depression with academic year [27, 32,41, 42], marital status [25,36,41], economic status [29,36,38], smoking [38,41] and GPA [25,41]. In contrast to present study, previous studies found significant association of depression with academic year [24,25,30,36,37], marital [27], economic status [25,27,29,33,41], smoking [26], health problems and hot drinks [43].

In present study, we found significant association of depression with gender which is supported by many study [25,30,31,33,36,37,40] while other studies not support this association [23,24,26,44]. Many studies found male had more depression than female [30,31,33]. Unlike present study and other similar studies [23-26,36,37,41,43,45].

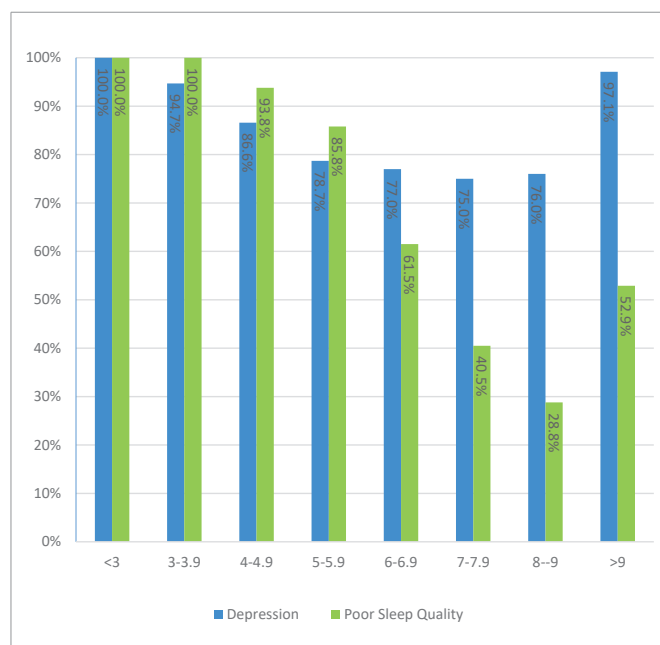
In present study 19.5% of students had suicidal ideation. Dahlin, 2005 found it 28.8% and 2.7% attempt to suicide [43]. Clark, 1988 found it between 15-20% [46]. Tyssen, 2001 found it 14.5% and 1.4% attempt to suicide [47]. Dyrbye, 2008 found it 11.2% and 1.9% attempt to suicide [35]. Galen, 2014 found it 8.5% [44]. Sobowale, 2014 found it 7.5% [32]. Coentre, 2016 found it 3.7% and 0.7% attempt to suicide [45].

In present study, both sleep quality and depression are associated with increased risk of suicide which is similar to previous studies [32,35,44, 45] and poor sleep quality [48].

Limitations of the study: We wanted to include all departments of Allied medical sciences but could not get permission from the applied medical sciences, hence the result represent the high depression rate in medical, pharmacy and dental students.

## CONCLUSION

We found a very high prevalence of poor sleep quality and depression in Umm Al-Qura University medical and allied students. Similarly the percentage of suicidal ideation was also high. It may be due to shift application of teaching methodology and content from traditional to reformed curriculum. Further students should be conducted to find out the perception of students and teaching faculty regarding the risk and protective factors for high prevalence of depression, poor sleep quality and suicidal ideation.



**Figure 4:** Relation between sleeping hours with poor sleep quality and depression.

**Table 5:** PSQI according to students' answers after analyzing.

PSQI Questions	Colleges				Chi-Square	p - Value
	Total	Medicine	Pharmacy	Dentistry		
<b>Wake Up Time</b>						
5:00 AM – 5:59 AM	101 (14.8%)	62 (14.5%)	27 (16.7%)	12 (13.3%)	17.946	0.022
6:00 PM – 6:59 PM	229 (33.6%)	149 (34.7%)	52 (32.1%)	28 (31.1%)		
7:00 AM – 7:59 AM	246 (36.1%)	152 (35.4%)	50 (30.9%)	44 (48.9%)		
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	68 (10%)	47 (11%)	17 (10.5%)	4 (4.4%)		
After 9 AM	37 (5.4%)	19 (4.4%)	16 (9.9%)	2 (2.2%)		
<b>Sleep Duration at Night</b>						
Less than 4 hours	54 (7.9%)	30 (7%)	22 (13.6%)	2 (2.2%)	13.722	0.033
4-6 hours	431 (63.3%)	268 (62.5%)	103 (63.6%)	60 (66.7%)		
6.1-8 hours	154 (22.6%)	104 (24.2%)	28 (17.3%)	22 (24.4%)		
More than 8 hours	42 (6.2%)	27 (6.3%)	9 (5.6%)	6 (6.7%)		
<b>Sleep Disturbances (positive answers)</b>						
Cough or snore loudly	297 (43.6%)	175 (40.8%)	82 (50.6%)	40 (44.4%)	17.531	0.008
Feel too hot	307 (45.1%)	180 (42%)	78 (48.1%)	49 (54.4%)	14.247	0.027
Have pain	60 (8.8%)	28 (6.5%)	24 (14.8%)	8 (8.9%)	15.622	0.016
<b>Daytime Dysfunctions</b>						
Yes	603 (88.5%)	383 (89.3%)	137 (84.6%)	83 (92.2%)	11.569	0.072
No	78 (11.5%)	46 (10.7%)	25 (15.4%)	7 (7.8%)		

**Table 6:** Mean score of all PSQI component among colleges.

PSQI Components	Mean Score ± SD (Median)				Kruskal-Wallis Test	p-Value
	All	Medicine	Pharmacy	Dentistry		
<b>Subjective Sleep Quality</b>	1.33 ± 0.79 (1)	1.28 ± 0.77 (1)	1.46 ± 0.82 (1)	1.34 ± 0.82 (1)	6.42	0.40
<b>Sleep Latency</b>	1.45 ± 1.08 (1)	1.41 ± 1.09 (1)	1.52 ± 1.05 (2)	1.49 ± 1.07 (1)	1.53	0.47
<b>Sleep Duration</b>	1.52 ± 1.11 (2)	1.44 ± 1.11 (1)	1.69 ± 1.13 (2)	1.57 ± 1.09 (2)	5.88	0.05
<b>Habitual Sleep Efficiency</b>	0.47 ± 0.85 (0)	0.45 ± 0.83 (0)	0.54 ± 0.91 (0)	0.48 ± 0.81 (0)	1.68	0.43
<b>Sleep Disturbances</b>	1.14 ± 0.53 (1)	1.11 ± 0.50 (1)	1.17 ± 0.55 (1)	1.24 ± 0.59 (1)	5.04	0.081
<b>Use of Sleeping Medication</b>	0.18 ± 0.60 (0)	0.15 ± 0.53 (0)	0.22 ± 0.71 (0)	0.23 ± 0.67 (0)	0.65	0.72
<b>Daytime Dysfunction</b>	1.38 ± 0.80 (1)	1.35 ± 0.77 (1)	1.32 ± 0.84 (1)	1.59 ± 0.81 (2)	0.72	0.017
<b>Global PSQI Score</b>	7.47 ± 3.19 (7)	7.19 ± 3.07 (7)	7.93 ± 3.22 (8)	7.93 ± 3.5 (7)	9.78	0.008

**Table 7:** Mean score of all PSQI component according to gender.

PSQI Components	Mean Score ± SD (Median)		Mann-Whitney Test
	Male	Female	
<b>Subjective Sleep Quality</b>	1.30 ± 0.78 (1)	1.36 ± 0.80 (1)	p = 0.309
<b>Sleep Latency</b>	1.40 ± 1.03 (1)	1.50 ± 1.12 (1)	p = 0.257
<b>Sleep Duration</b>	1.39 ± 1.07 (1)	1.64 ± 1.15 (2)	p = 0.002
<b>Habitual Sleep Efficiency</b>	0.51 ± 0.86 (0)	0.43 ± 0.83 (0)	p = 0.098
<b>Sleep Disturbances</b>	1.09 ± 0.47 (1)	1.20 ± 0.57 (1)	p = 0.004
<b>Use of Sleeping Medication</b>	0.21 ± 0.66 (0)	0.15 ± 0.52 (0)	p = 0.505
<b>Daytime Dysfunction</b>	1.24 ± 0.77 (1)	1.51 ± 0.79 (1)	p < 0.001
<b>Global PSQI Score</b>	7.14 ± 2.96 (7)	7.79 ± 3.37 (8)	p = 0.006

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