Results

The study was done through a questionnaire which included one hundred dermatologists (23 males and 77 females) (Table 1) . Table 2 shows the percentage of dermatologists according to age groups .

Table (1): The percentage of dermatologists according to gender.

		Gender	
		N	%
Male		23	23.00
Female		77	77.00
Total		100	100.00
Chi-square	**X²**	29.160	
	P-value	<0.001*	

Table (2): The percentage of dermatologists according to age.

		Age	
		N	%
25-35		58	58.00
36-45		24	24.00
46-60		18	18.00
Total		100	100.00
Chi-square	**X²**	27.920	
	P-value	<0.001*	

The questions and answers obtained are given below:

1-Questions related to economic aspects according to gender (Table 3)

and according to age group (Table 4).

- **Would you exclude the poor patient from the payment of fees?**

Most dermatologists {91%} agreed to exclude the poor patient from the payment of fees. This agreement was more in female dermatologists [97.4%] (chart 1) and the difference between males and females was a statistically significant ($p = 0.00$) . According to age, most positive answers were in the age group 25 : 35y [98.28%] and this is illustrated in (chart 5) , ($p = 0.008$ which is a statistically significant).

- **Would you request necessary or total investigations?**

Most dermatologists {88%} agreed to request necessary investigations only and that was more in female dermatologists [88.3%] , ($p = 0.861$ which is a statistically insignificant) . According to age , most positive answers were in the age group 46:60y [94.4%] ($p = 0.519$ which is a statistically insignificant).

- **What do you think about guiding the patient to a specific laboratory** ?

The percentage of dermatologists who said that this was wrong was {56%} and that was more in female dermatologists [61.04%], ($p=0.063$ with a statistically insignificant difference).According to

age, most positive answers were in the age group 46:60y [61.11%] but the difference was a statistically insignificant where (p = 0.887) .

-Would you examine a patient with a disease not related to your specialty ?

Most dermatologists refused to examine a patient with a disease not related to their specialty {94%} and that was more in female dermatologists [94.8%], (p= 0.535 which is a statistically insignificant difference) . According to age , most positive answers were in the age group 36:45y [95.83%] and also the difference was a statistically insignificant where (p =0.885) .

-Would you prescribe an expensive drug to satisfy a wealthy patient in spite of the availability of a cheaper and effective drug ?

The percentage of dermatologists who agreed was {56%} and that was more in male dermatologists [73.91%] (chart 2) the difference was a statistically significant where (p=0.049) . According to age , most positive answers were in the age group 25:35y [56.90%] and the difference was a statistically insignificant where (p = 0.974) .

-If there was a colleague among your patients , would you give him a priority ?

Most dermatologists agreed to give a priority to a colleague {82%} . This agreement was more in male dermatologists [82.61%],

(p = 0.931 which is a statistically insignificant difference). According to age, most positive answers were in the age group 46: 60y [94.44%] and this is illustrated in (chart 6) , *(p* value was 0.039 which is a statistically significant).

- Would you refuse to take fees from a colleague ?

Most dermatologists refused to take fees from a colleague {95%} that was more in female dermatologists [97.40%] . This is illustrated in (chart 3) , *(p* = 0.044   which is a statistically significant) . According to age , most positive answers were in the age group 25:35y [98.28%] , (*p*= 0.079 which is a statistically insignificant) .

-What do you think about writing non deserving medical certificates in return to payment of fees ?

Most dermatologists disagreed to write non deserving medical certificate in return to payment of fees {78%} . This disagreement was more in female dermatologists [85.71%] (chart 4) , (*p* value =0.001 which is a statistically significant) . According to age , most positive answers were in the age group 25:35y [91.38%] . This is illustrated in (chart 7) where (*p*= < 0.001 which is a statistically significant) .