

Table 2. Mean (SD) serum homocysteine levels ($\mu\text{mol/l}$) according to lifestyle factors and family history of cardiovascular disease in the 484 healthy postmenopausal women: Comparisons between the groups (Yes or No).

Homocysteine levels				
	Mean (SD)		Mean (SD)	p*
Current smoking (>10 cigarettes/day)				
Yes (n=117) vs No (n=367)	11.0 (3.5)	vs	10.2 (3.2)	0.08
Physical exercise (>3h/week)				
Yes (n=90) vs No (n=394)	11.0 (3.7)	vs	10.6 (3.1)	0.23
Daily alcohol intake (>12g/day)				
Yes (n=13) vs No (n=471)	10.9 (2.9)	vs	10.7 (3.6)	0.56
Family history of CVD (1 st degree relative)				
Yes (n=107) vs No (n=377)	10.8 (2.7)	vs	10.2 (3.0)	0.09

*p: students t-test for unpaired observations.