



Large Scale Evidence Generation in EHDEN and DARWIN EU[®]

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Introduction to EHDEN

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Predicting long term cancer survival for Health Technology Assessment: A Multinational Cohort Study Across Europe

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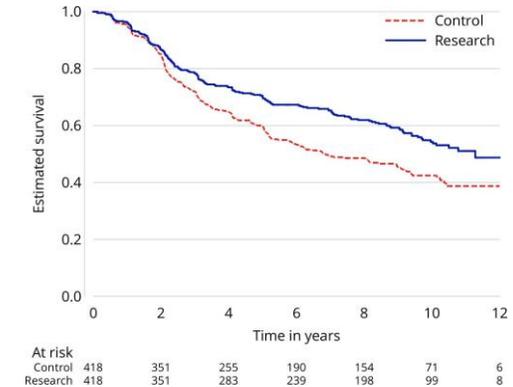




- Enable the transition towards outcomes-driven healthcare systems in Europe
- Extend the OMOP-CDM and vocabularies to include PROM standard outcomes sets (e.g. ICHOM)
- **Test whether OMOP-CDM can be used in the context of regulatory approval, health technology assessment (HTA), and for payer purposes**



- Extrapolation of time-to-event outcomes beyond trial data is a critical input for cost-effectiveness models used in HTA
 - How do long-term projections based on trial controls compare with the real world?



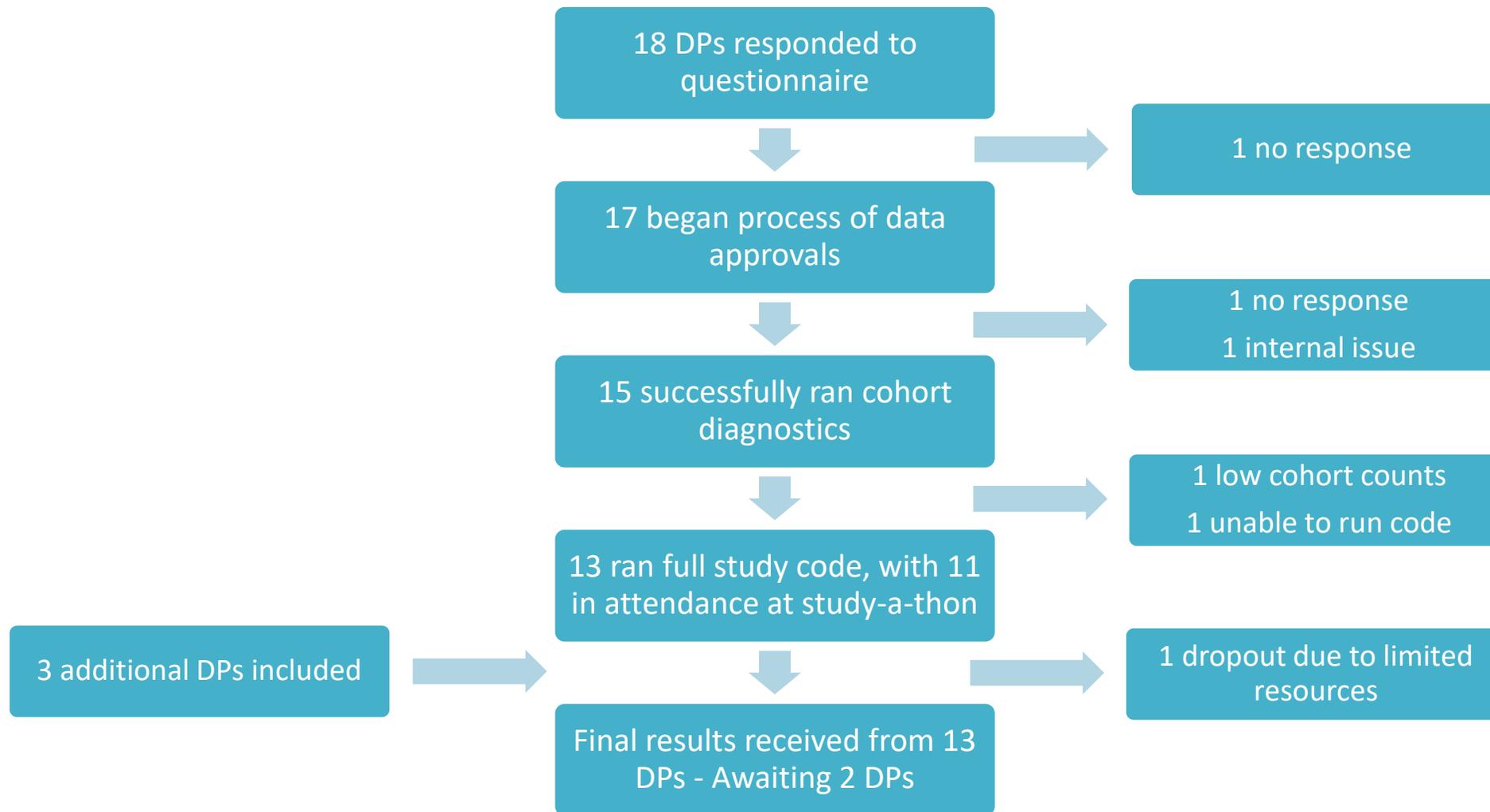
HTA use case:

- Retrospective observational cohort study
- Population: 8 cancer phenotypes
- Intervention: current care
- Outcome: overall survival
- Output: accessible dashboard allowing easy examination of outcomes
- Data: CPRD (UK) for initial development, then extend across EHDEN network





1. To create a dashboard prototype for multiple data sources so users can easily examine natural history data and common extrapolation models for a range of cancers
2. To describe the overall survival of multiple cancers across multiple data sources
3. To compare long term survival versus predicted survival of multiple cancers across multiple data sources





STUDY PACKAGE WORKFLOW

STEP 1

Instantiate cancer cohorts
Apply exclusion criteria

STEP 2

Calculate survival statistics,
risk tables, hazards using KM
method

STEP 3

Predict KM results using
parametric and flexible
parametric methods

STEP 4

Repeat step 2 for sex and
age group and sex*age group
stratification

STEP 5

Repeat step 3 for sex and
age group stratification and
adjustment

STEP 6

Characterisation of patient
populations



Total number of models for
study:

1210!



Write – test - repeat



RESULTS - DASHBOARD



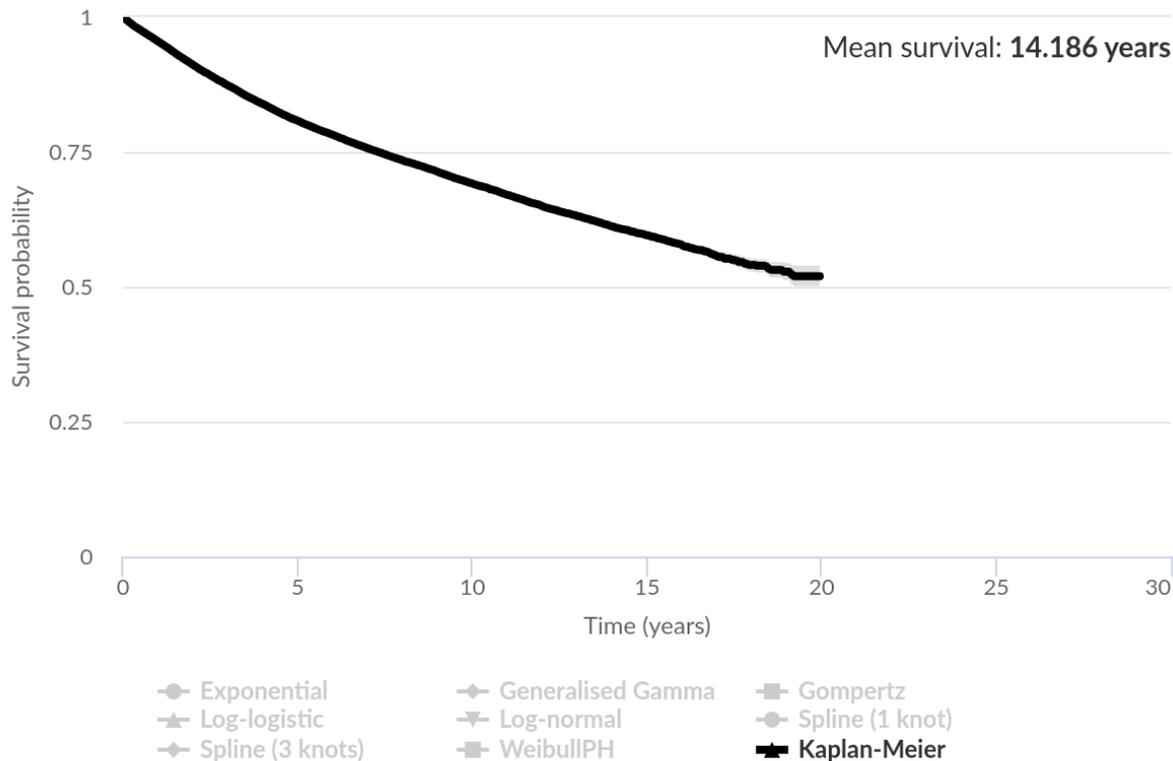
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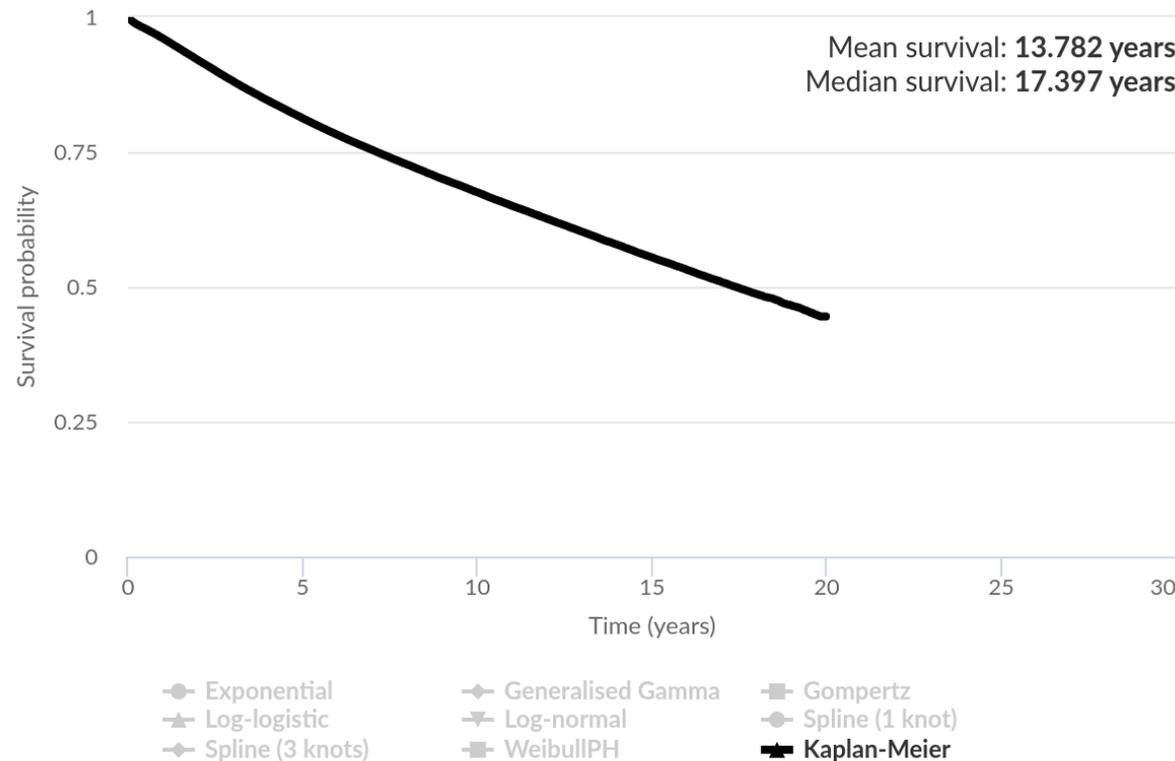




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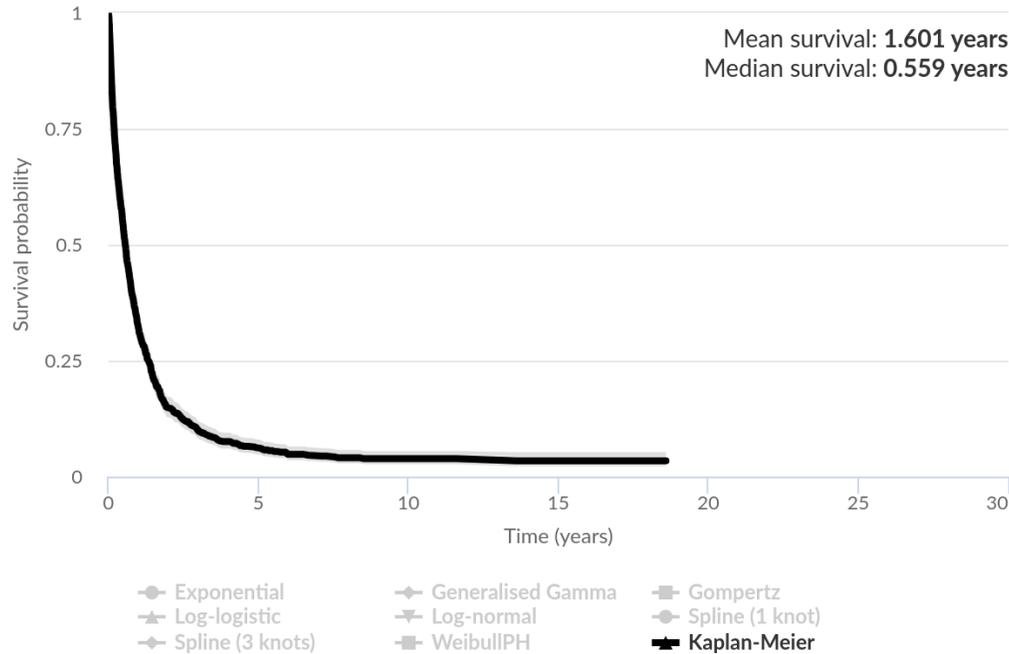
CPRD



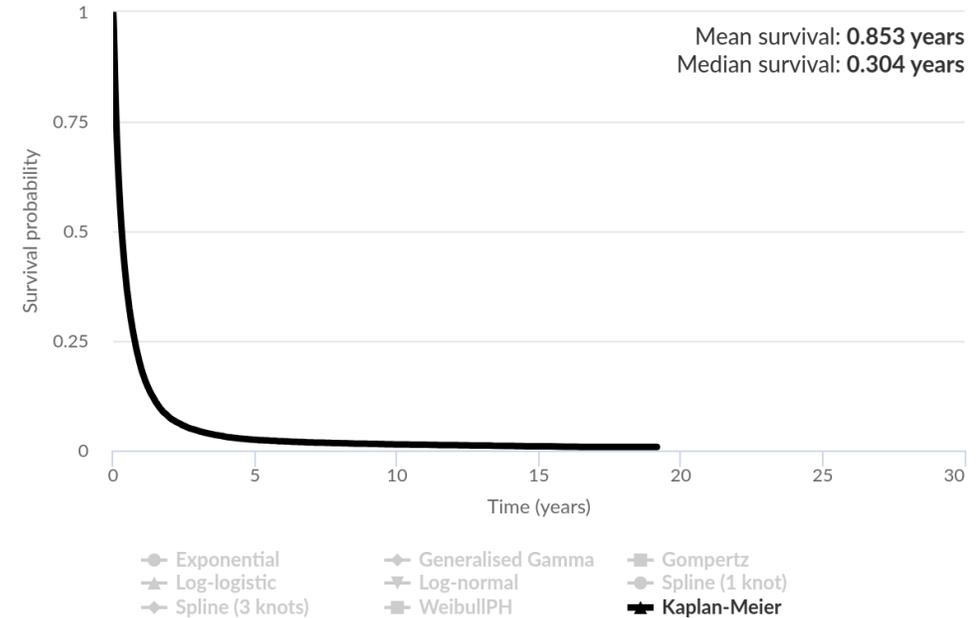
Netherlands Cancer Registry



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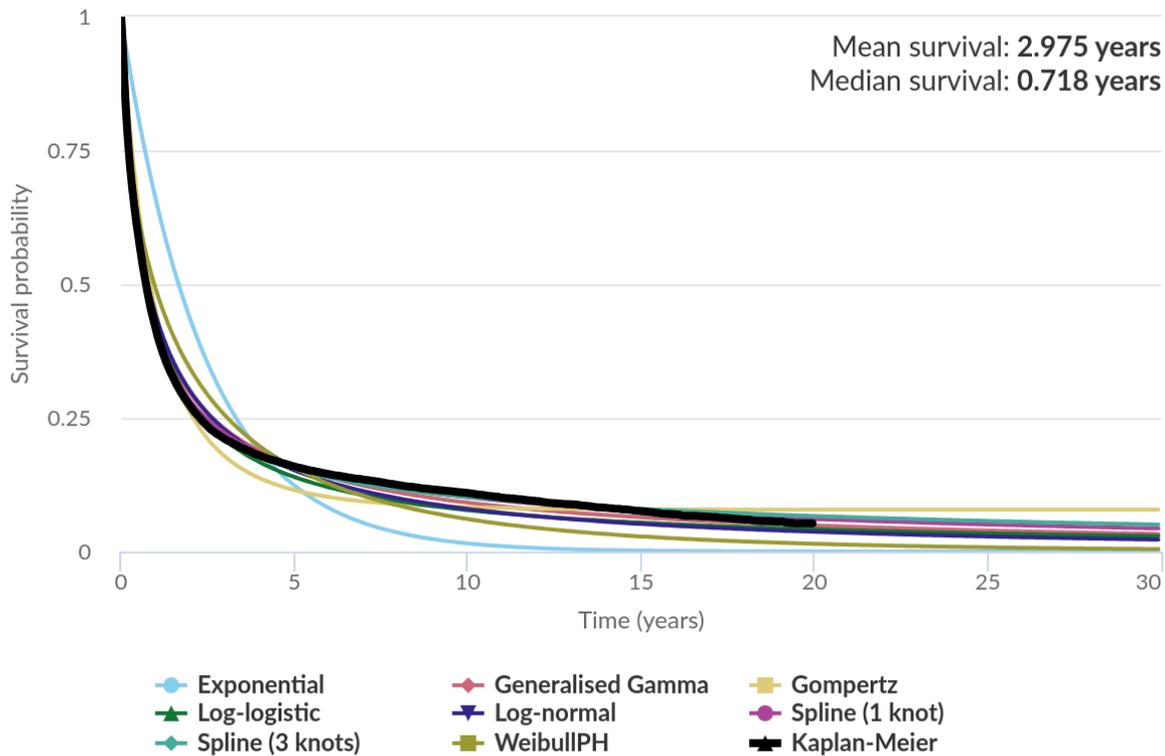
Geneva cancer registry



Netherlands Cancer Registry



3. To compare long term survival versus predicted survival of multiple cancers across multiple data sources



Goodness of fit

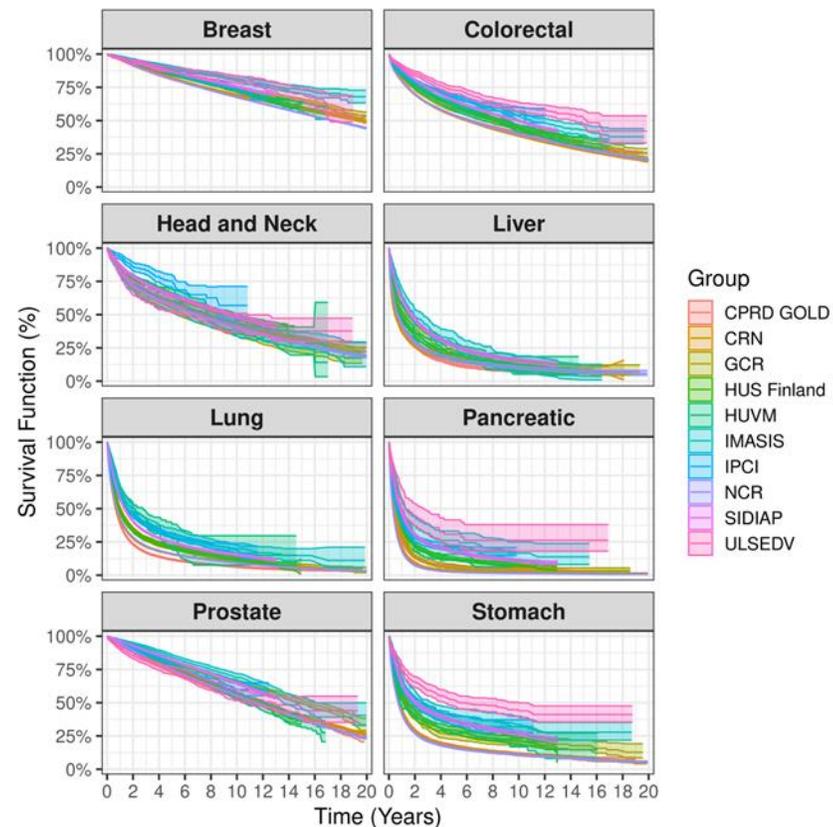
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Log-normal	-39707.181	79418.362	79435.081
Generalised Gamma	-39580.283	79166.567	79191.646
Spline (1 knot)	-39423.76	78853.521	78878.6
Spline (3 knots)	-39345.501	78701.002	78742.8



Three manuscripts underway:

- 1) **Survival of cancers across databases**
- 2) **Modelling long term survival for health technology assessment**
- 3) **Federated data-analyses for HTA: An Oncology Dashboard**

Abstracts written with plans to showcase at:







THANKS GO TO...



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Trends over time in medicines with suggested shortages in Europe

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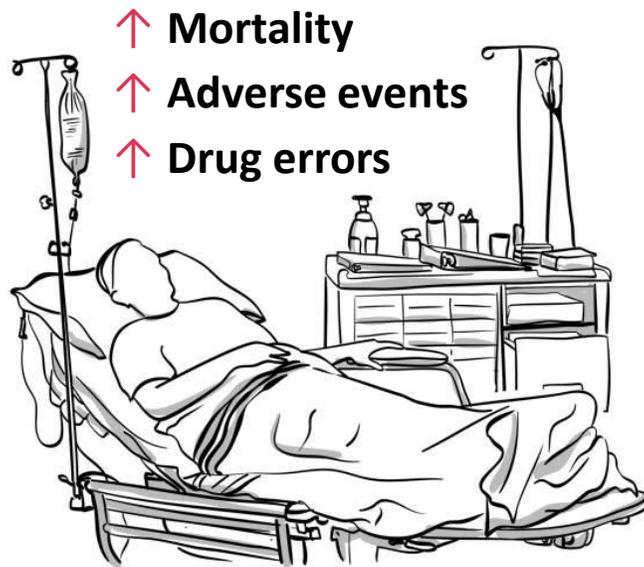
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WHY DRUG SHORTAGES?

Drug shortages¹



Exacerbated during COVID-19 outbreak

During lockdown²:

- Reduction or cessation of local/global transportations
- Supply chain disruption (including drugs production and distribution)

COVID-19 vaccines as an example³:

- High demand, insufficient to cover the worldwide
- Unequal distribution (economically driven)

¹ Phuon, J.M., et al., *The impacts of medication shortages on patient outcomes: A scoping review*. PLoS One, 2019. 14(5): p. e0215837.

² Ayati, N., P. Saiyarsarai, and S. Nikfar, *Short and long term impacts of COVID-19 on the pharmaceutical sector*. Daru, 2020. 28(2): p. 799-805.

³ Klobucista, C. *A Guide to Global COVID-19 Vaccine Efforts*. 2022 [cited 2023]. Available from: <https://www.cfr.org/background/guide-global-covid-19-vaccine-efforts>.



AIMS OF THE STUDY

- To study incidence and prevalence of medicines with suggested shortages and its alternatives
- To describe incident and prevalent users of medicines with suggested shortages

STEPS OF THE STUDY

- 1) Feasibility check
- 2) Incidence-Prevalence
- 3) Drug utilisation study (e.g. Characterisation)

Medicines under suggested
shortage: n= 25
Alternatives: n= 32





**Drug shortages
MEGASTUDY**

EMA drug shortages catalogue,
information on website
(publicly available)

Additional alternatives
from literature

>50 medicines
in shortages
and alternatives

DARWIN EU R code packages
(publicly available)

Analytical code
1) Feasibility
2) Incidence/
Prevalence
3) DrugUtilisation

>70 Data Partners



Results

Publications

Conferences

EFPIA

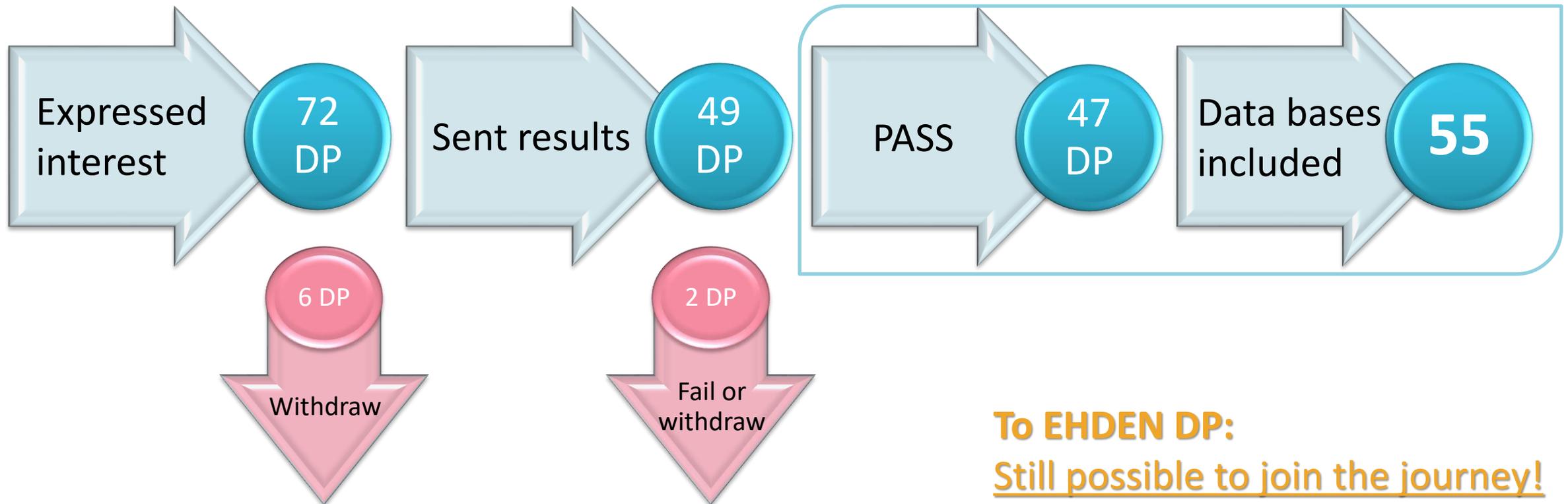
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DATA PARTNERS INVOLVED

1) Feasibility Step

Requirement to Pass:
minim 1 drug and >100 patients within
study period (2010 – 2023)

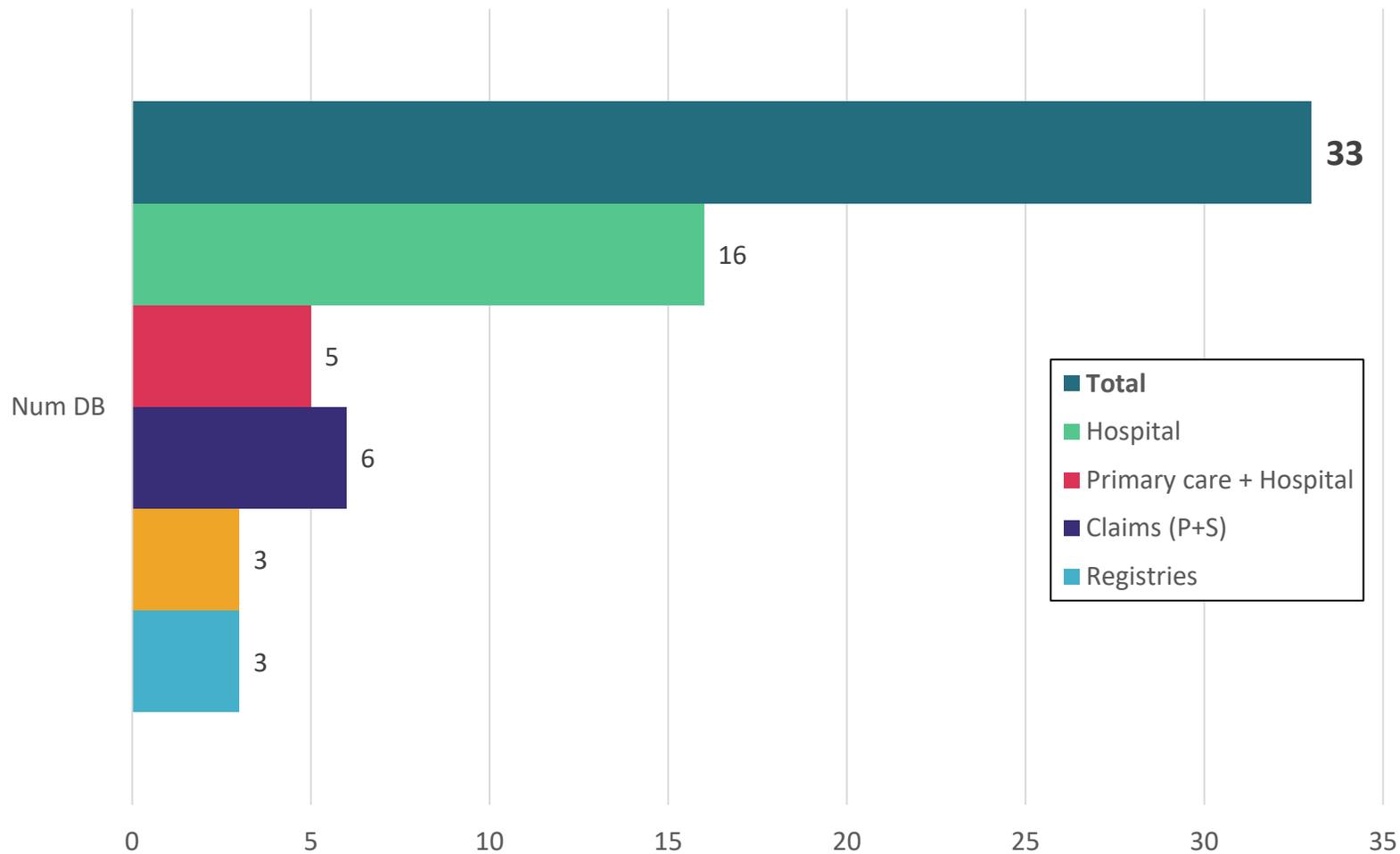


To EHDEN DP:
Still possible to join the journey!



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2) Incidence-Prevalence Step

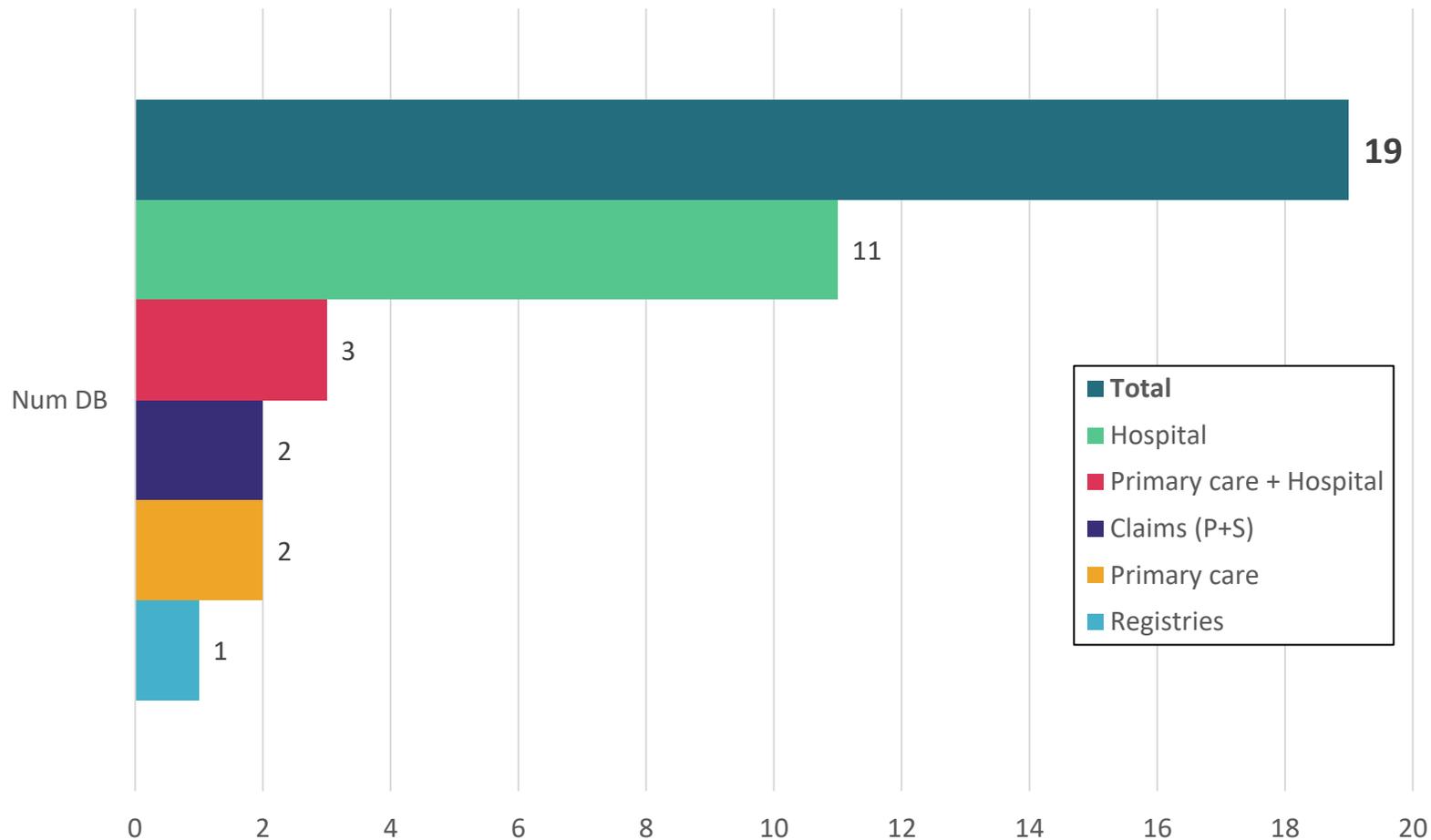


Country	DB per Country
Belgium	3
Bulgaria	1
Estonia	1
Finland	2
Germany	3
Greece	1
Netherlands	3
Portugal	5
Serbia	1
Spain	5
Turkey	1
UK	3
US	4
Grand Total	33



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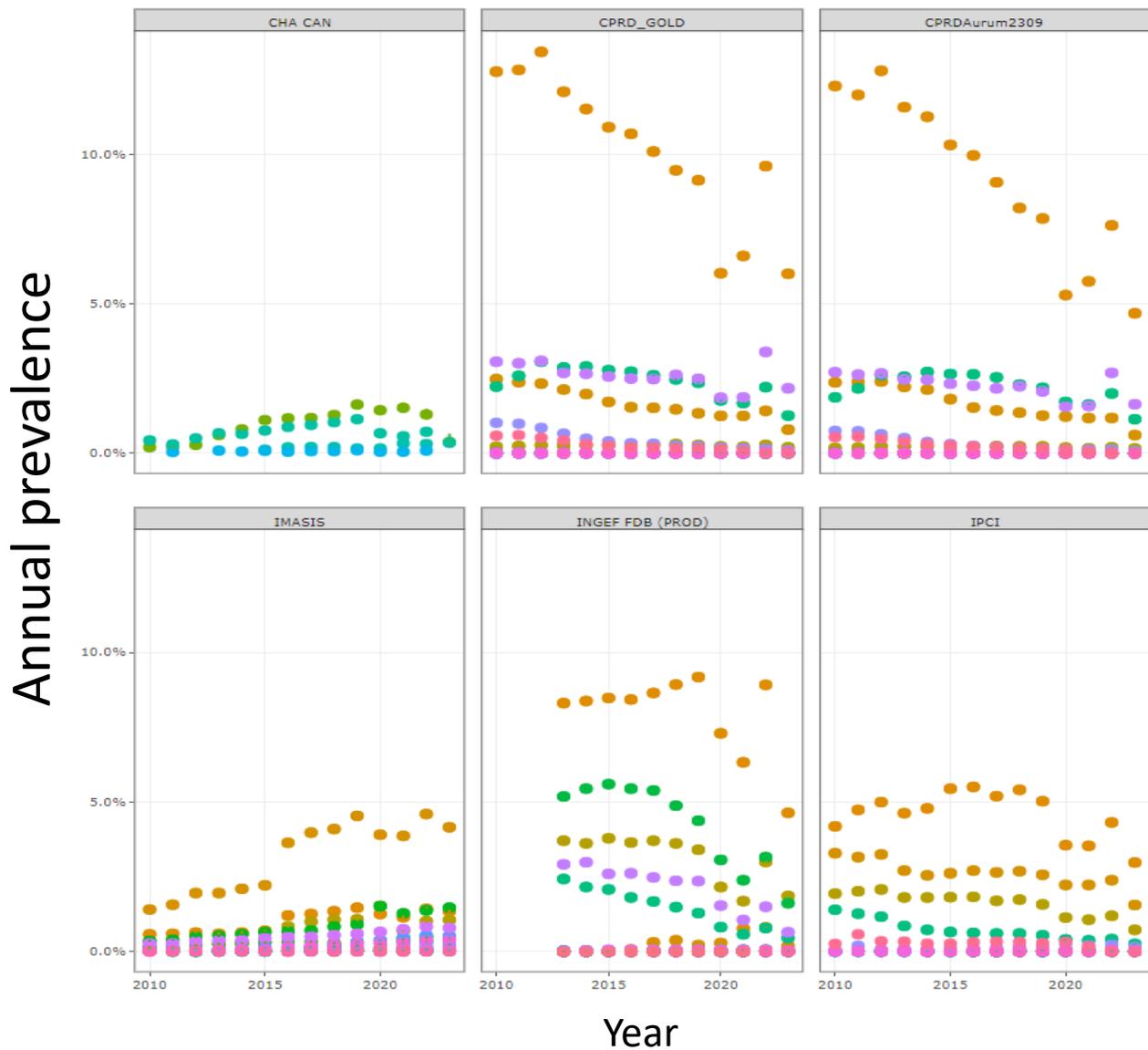
3) Drug Utilisation Study



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Turkey	1
UK	2
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PRELIMINARY RESULTS* IN INCIDENCE/PREVALENCE



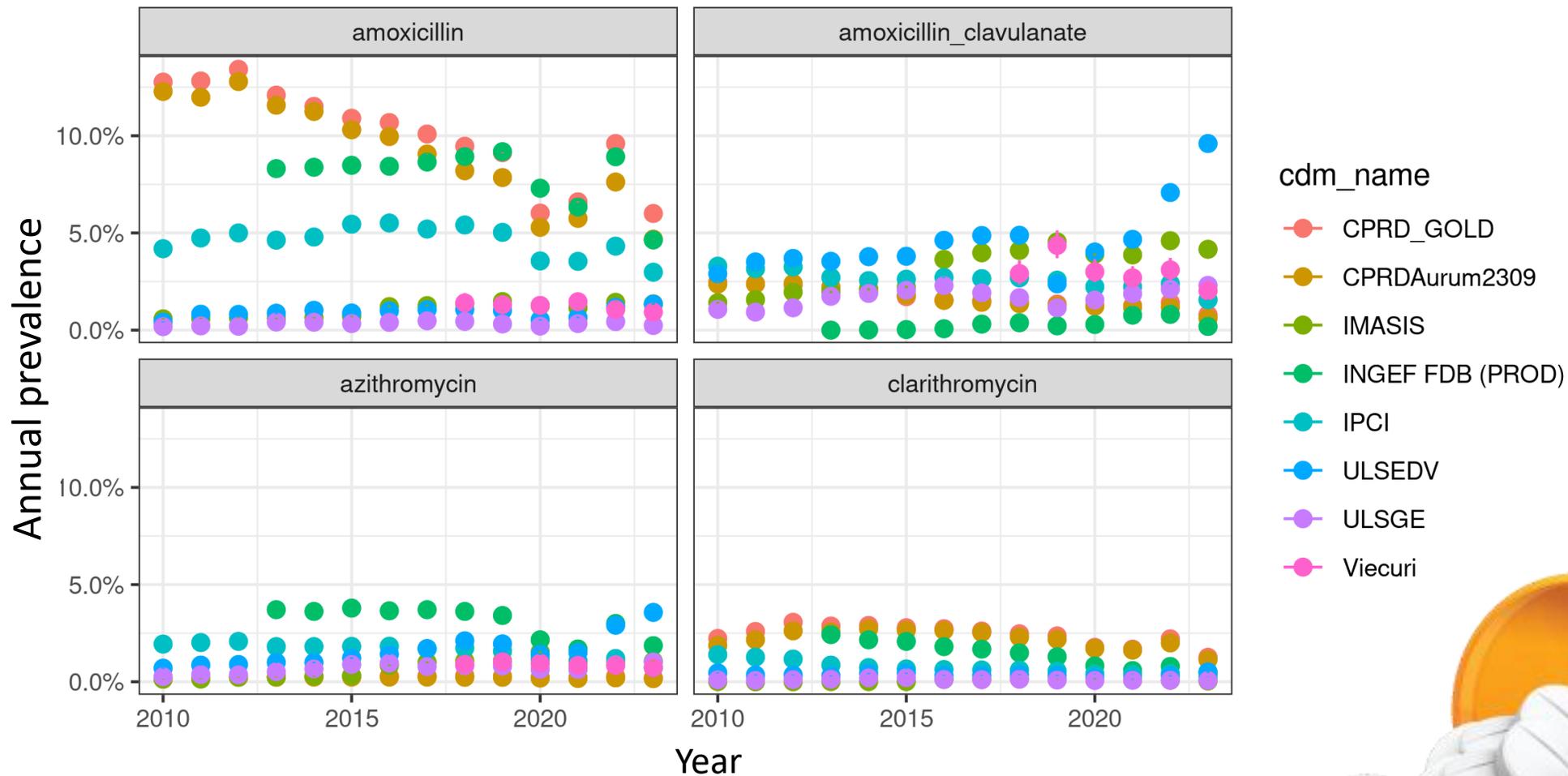
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- tofacitinib
- upadacitinib
- urokinase
- varenicline
- verteporfin





PRELIMINARY RESULTS* IN INCIDENCE/PREVALENCE

Antibiotics for common infection





CHALLENGES

- Scaling up
 - Project management task
 - Timelines
 - Outputting a lot of results
 - Community effort to digest and disseminate (webinar)
- New data partners participating with their first study
 - Much help needed with R and running study code





TIMELINES AND WEBINAR



REGISTRATION ENDS TODAY!



Code released in GitHub

Data Partners
timelines

...Oct23 Nov23 Dec23 Jan24 Feb24 Mar24 Apr24 May24 June24 ... Sept24...

Upload the results in teams during the following 3 weeks [15th Dec]

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Results uploaded
DP to have shared all results for 1st webinar
13th of May

1st Webinar
6th June

2nd Webinar
early September

Feasibility
DP to start running feasibility code

Incidence-prevalence
DP to start running incidence-prevalence

Characterization of incidence-prevalence drug users
DP to start running characterization

Approval for results sharing deadline
Deadline to receive approval for results sharing/publication (e.g., IRB), 3rd June

Approval for results sharing

Final protocol circulated, for Data Partners to gather IRB approval/ results sharing approval

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Thank you!





Introduction to DARWIN EU[®]

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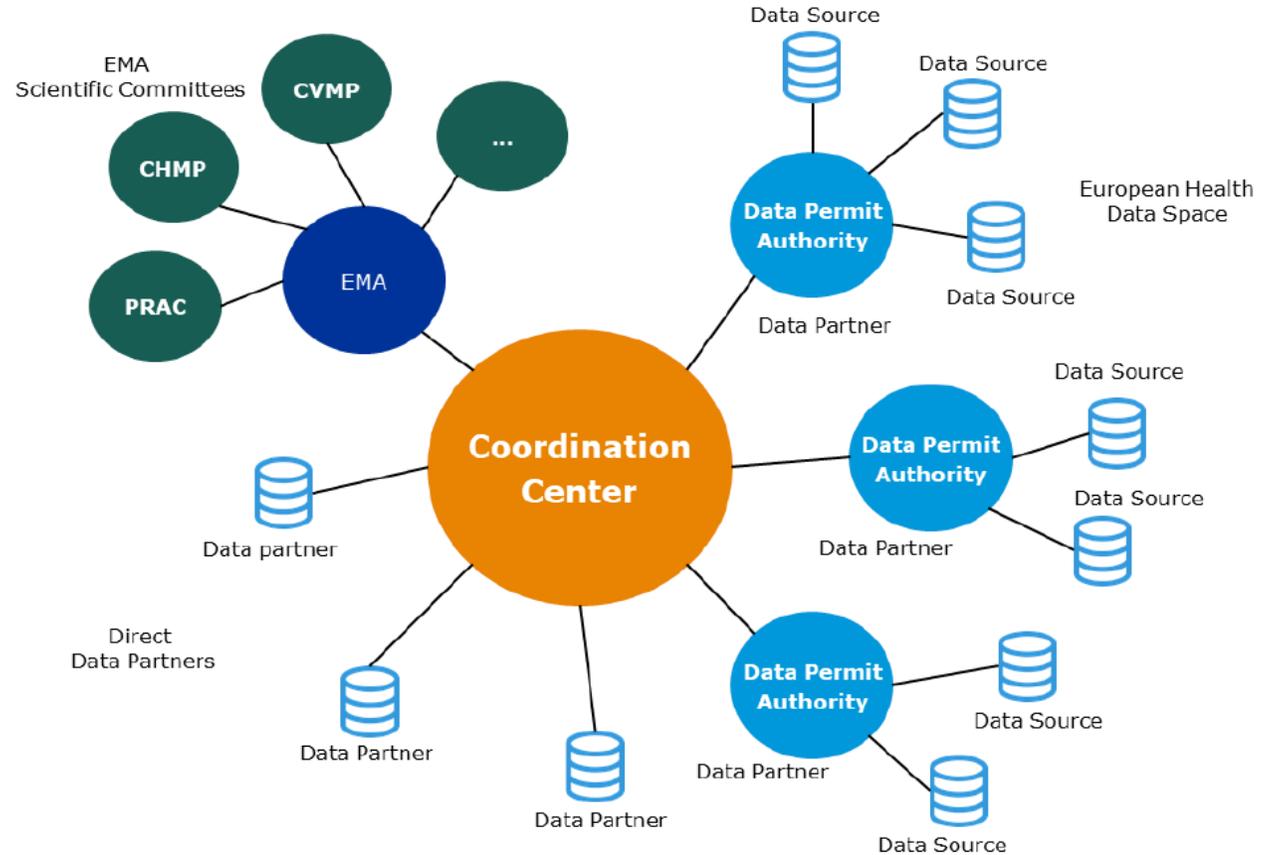
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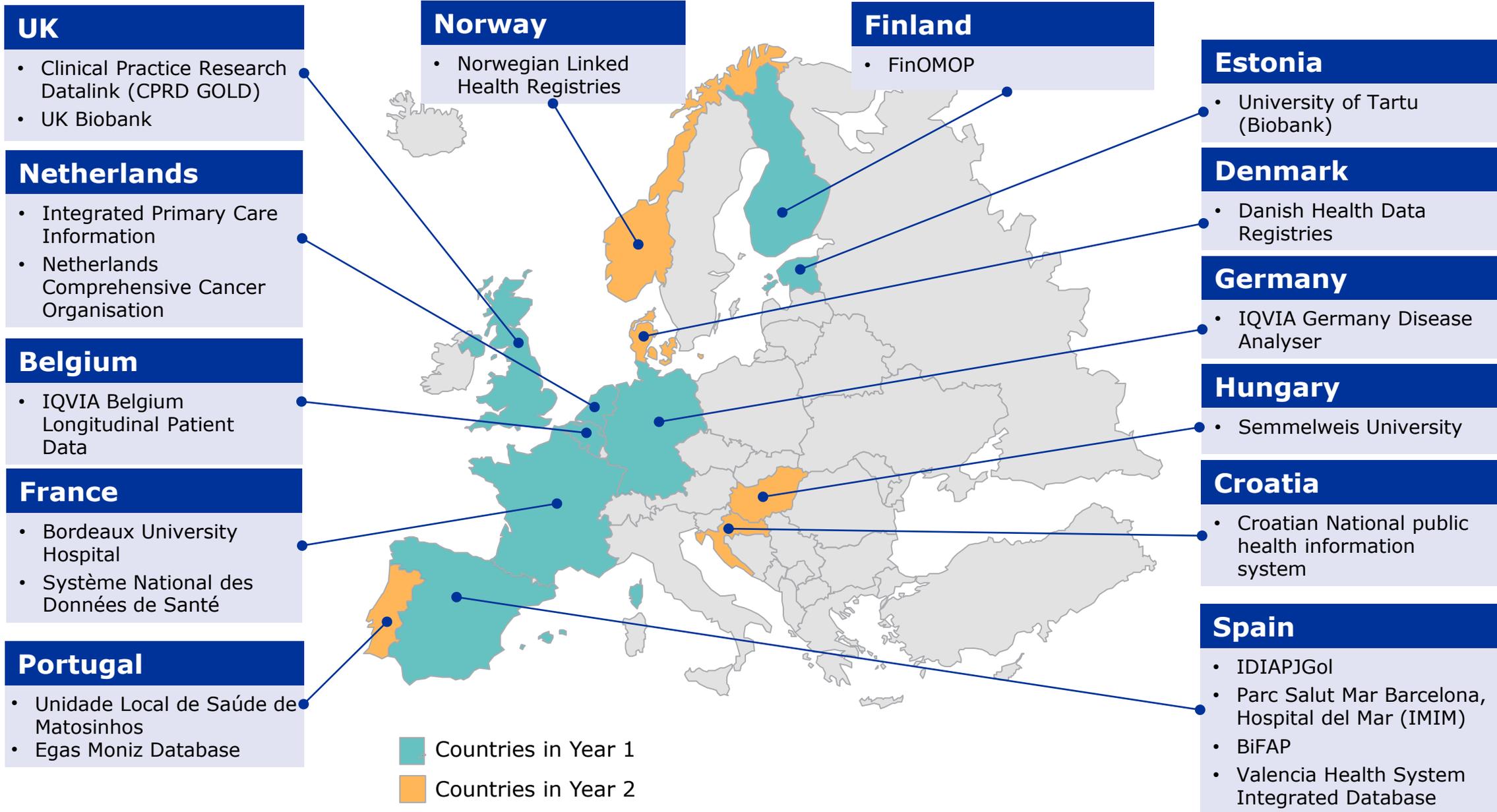
DARWIN EU[®] is a federated **network of data, expertise and services** that supports better decision-making throughout the product lifecycle by generating reliable **evidence from real world healthcare data**

FEDERATED NETWORK PRINCIPLES

- Data stays **local**
- **Use of Common Data Model** to perform studies in a timely manner and increase consistency of results



Welcome DARWIN EU® Data Network



[Network requirements](#)[Data Network](#)[Why join the network?](#)[How to join the network?](#)

How to join the data network?

The Open Call for DPs described in this document welcomes expressions of interest from **any data custodian in Europe wishing to be considered as a candidate DP for DARWIN EU®**. These include primary and secondary care data sources, claims databases, biobanks, etc. Being open to any data source, the Open Call is an instrument to facilitate a level playing field to any interested institution to participate in DARWIN EU® and aims to compile relevant information from candidate Data Partners to support decision making by the EMA to determine which DPs will be formally invited to join the initiative.

How to express interest?

The first step is to add an entry for your data source(s) on the HMA-EMA Catalogue of Real-World Data (RWD) sources.

Required steps:

1. Go to <https://catalogues.ema.europa.eu/catalogue-rwd-sources> and click on the 'Login' button (in the top-right hand side of the header).
2. You will be directed to the EU Login webpage. On this page, choose the 'Create an account' option. After providing your personal information (First name, Last name and Email), you will receive an email with instructions to activate your account. For more guidance on how to log in to the RWD Catalogues, please refer to the [Support section](#) of the Catalogues website.
Note: If you already have an EU Login, you can login to the RWD Catalogues with those credentials.
3. Go to 'My dashboard' > 'Add content' > '+ Data Source' and fill out the webform page. When you have uploaded the desired information, click on 'Save'. When finalised, submit the Data Source entry by changing the state of the entry from 'Draft' to 'Submitted'. In case of multiple data sources, you need to submit separate entries for each data source, one at a time.
Note: [This document](#) contains all question fields included in the webform page for offline review (if needed).
4. Go to 'My dashboard' and click on the title of the Data Source entry that you have just submitted (the moderation state of the entry should be 'Submitted'). Once you enter the Data Source entry page, click on the 'Download as PDF' button (in the light blue title banner of the entry). Also, make a note of the link appearing in the **PURI** field in your entry (see 'Administrative details' section).

 Public **metadata repositories** that describe **RWD sources** and **studies that utilise such data to generate RWE**. They help pharmaceutical companies, researchers and regulators **identify** and **utilise RWD data** in investigating the use, safety and effectiveness of medicines.

 **Launched February 2024**, <https://catalogues.ema.europa.eu/> 

- One step closer to data-driven medicines regulation!
- Enhance **discoverability** of data sources and studies facilitating **collaboration and research**
- **Link RWD sources to studies** conducted which can support **study design, protocol evaluation**, and **results interpretation**
- **'FAIR'** data principles supported
- Promote **transparency** in observational research
- Ongoing activities on data **interoperability** and **integration** with other catalogues (e.g. EHDS, EHDEN)
- Advanced **user-friendly platform**

Help us foster the discoverability of RWD sources!

Add information on your data source directly to the [Catalogues](#) or send us an email at metadata@ema.europa.eu



Benefits of including your data source in the Catalogue

- Increased identification and utilisation of your data source which can promote collaborations and studies
- Increased visibility to regulators, researchers and pharmaceutical companies
- Respond to the DARWIN EU Open Call to become a DARWIN data partner via the Catalogues

Expected number of studies



	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Phases	Phase I	Phase II	Phase III	Option 1	Option 2
Routine Repeated analysis	At least 1 study	-	30	60	60
Off the shelf studies	At least 2 studies	6 + 8	30	60	60
Complex Studies	1	4	12	24	24
Very Complex Studies	0	0	0	1	1

Use cases: How RWE can support decision-making?

1

Understand the clinical context

- ✓ Disease epidemiology
- ✓ Clinical management
- ✓ Drug utilisation

2

Support the planning and validity of studies

- ✓ Design and feasibility of studies
- ✓ Representativeness and validity of completed studies

3

Investigate associations and impact

- ✓ (Comparative) Effectiveness and safety studies
- Impact of regulatory actions

Slides: Courtesy of Andrej Segec (Darwin EU[®] Project Manager) - EMA

Examples of recently completed studies

a. Background all-cause **mortality rates in patients with severe asthma aged ≥ 12 years old** [EUPAS103936]

CHMP
Complex

b. **Drug utilisation** study on co-prescribing of **endothelin receptor antagonists (ERAs)** and **phosphodiesterase-5 inhibitors (PDE-5is)** in pulmonary arterial hypertension. [EUPAS106052]

CHMP
OTS

c. **Naloxone** use in treatment of opioid overdose. [EUPAS105644]

CHMP
OTS

d. Drug utilisation study of prescription **opioids**. [EUPAS105641]

PRAC
OTS

e. Drug utilisation study of **medicines with prokinetic properties** in children and adults diagnosed with gastroparesis

NCA
OTS

f. **EHDS** coagulopathy of COVID-19

EC / EHDS
Complex

g. **Multiple myeloma:** patient characterisation, treatments and survival in the period 2012-2022 [EUPAS105033]

HTA / Payers
OTS

h. Age-specific incidence rates of **RSV-related disease** in Europe [EUPAS107708]

ECDC
OTS

j. **Natural history** of **dermatomyositis (DM)** and **polymyositis (PM)** in adults and paediatric populations [EUPAS107454]

PDCO
OTS

k. Treatment patterns of drugs used in adult and paediatric population with **lupus** [EUPAS106436]

PDCO
OTS

i. Use of antivirals for the treatment of chronic **hepatitis B and C**. [EUPAS107650]

ECDC
OTS

OTS = off-the-shelf study

completed

1 Understand the clinical context

2 Support the planning and validity

3 Investigate associations and impact

l. Polypharmacy among adults aged 65 and above with cancer at the time of diagnosis

EMA/CHMP workplan (geriatrics)
OTS

m. Effectiveness of **COVID-19** vaccines against severe COVID-19 and post-acute outcomes of SARS-CoV-2 infection.

ECDC - VMP Complex

n. Effectiveness of HPV vaccines against cervical cancer

ECDC - VMP Complex

o. Overall survival in patients with advanced or metastatic non-small cell lung (**NSCLC**) cancer treated with selected **immunotherapies as first line** of treatment.

HTA Payer Complex

p. DUS of medicines at risk of shortages

EMA TRS
OTS

q. Monitoring prescription of essential **medicines administered in ICU**

EMA TRS
OTS

r. Comparing direct and indirect methods to **estimate prevalence** of chronic diseases using real-world data

EMA
OTS

s. Rates of occurrence of treatment-related intercurrent events in patients with **major depressive disorder** [EUPAS106685]

EMA TA
OTS

OTS = off-the-shelf study **completed**

List of studies can be consulted at: <https://darwin-eu.org/index.php/studies>
<https://catalogues.ema.europa.eu/catalogue-rwd-studies>



DARWIN EU[®] - Trend of prescription opioid use in Europe

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Rationale and Objectives

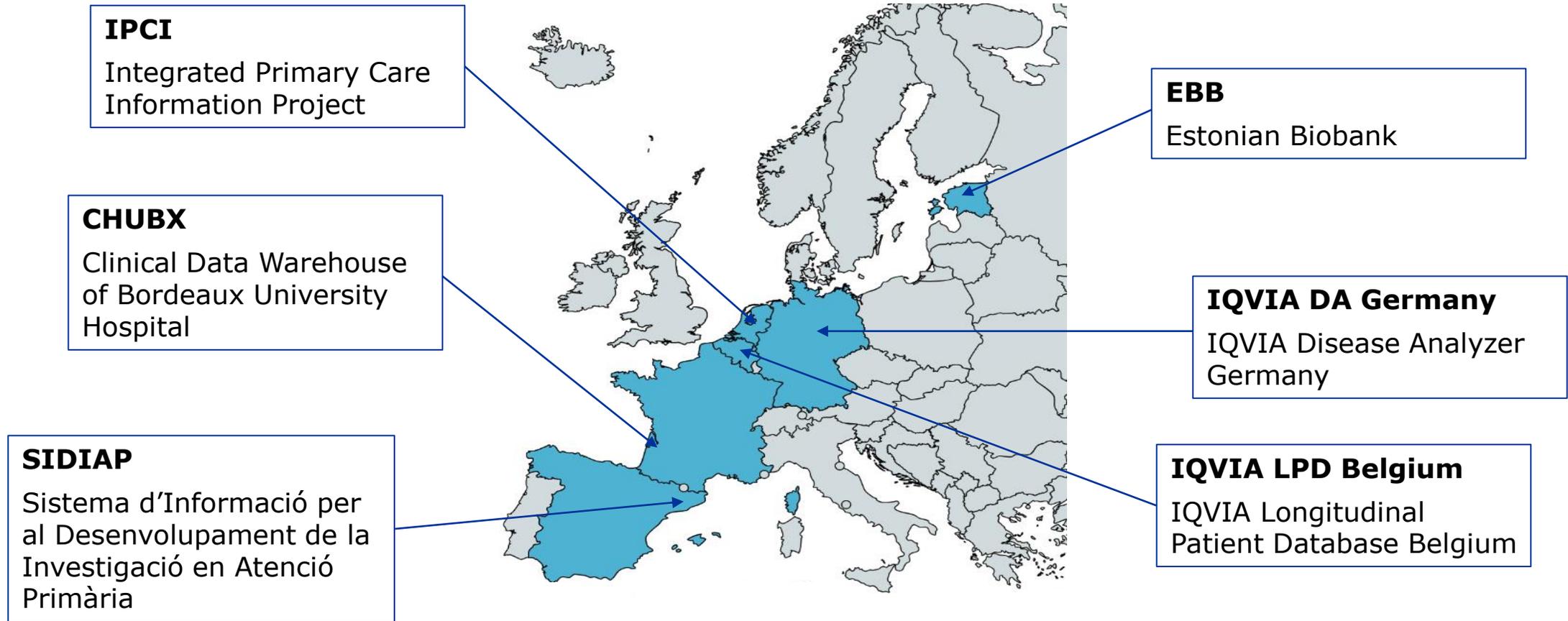
Background

- Opioids are a highly effective for managing severe pain.
- Increased (inadequate) opioid prescriptions have led to a public health crisis particularly in North America.
- Concerns have been growing in Europe due to increasing opioid use and related mortality.

Objective

- 1) To evaluate the trends of prescription opioid use
- 2) Characterise new opioid users in European countries

Multinational network cohort study



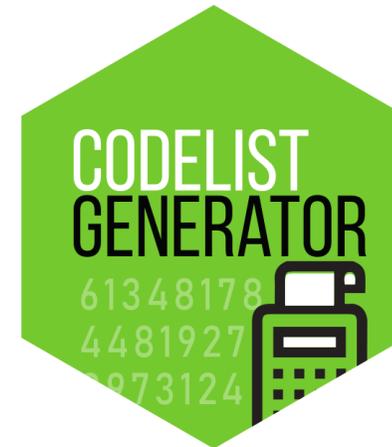
Study Population and Exposure definition

Study Population

All people registered in the respective databases on 1st of January of each year in the period 2012-2022, with at least 1 year of prior data availability.

Exposure definition

- All opioids
- By strength (weak/potent)
- By route of administration (oral, injection, transdermal)
- By active drug substance (N = 35)



New user definition

No previous use of respective opioid (substance/class) in the last 365days [180 days]

Population-level opioid utilisation

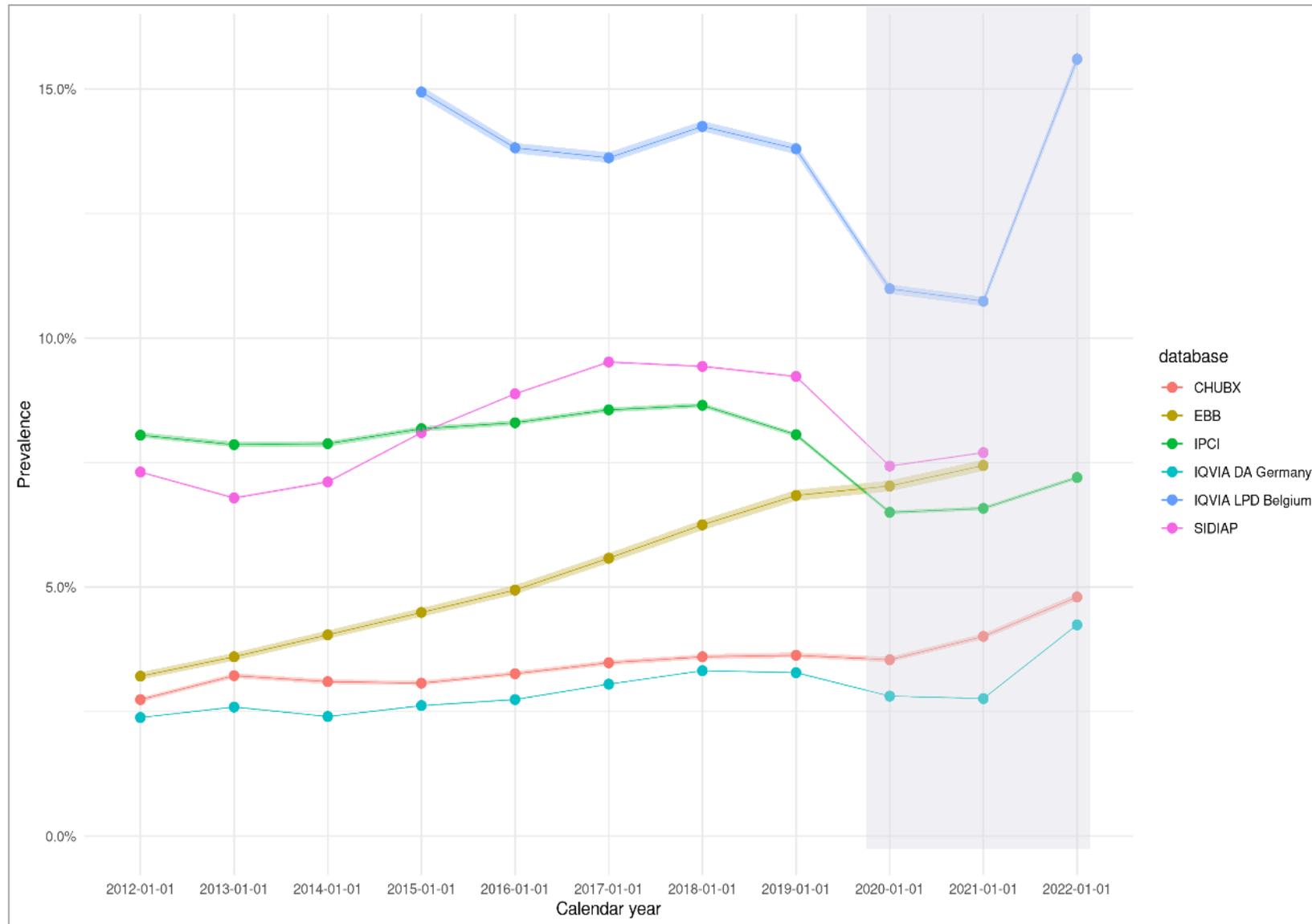
DARWIN EU® standardized analyses

Annual period prevalence calculated as the number of opioid users in the study population

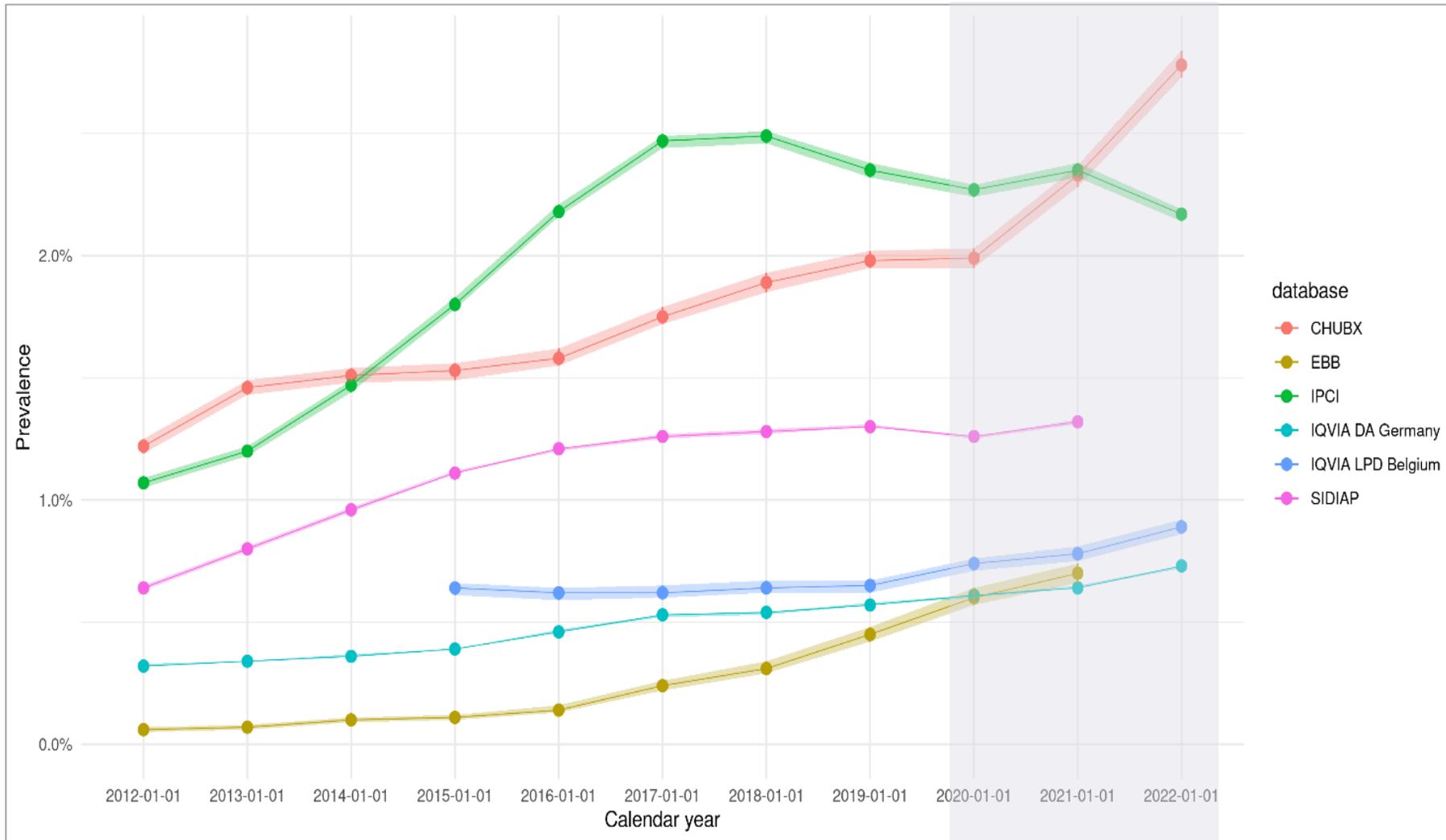
Annual incidence rates calculated as the number of new opioid users in the study population (excl. prevalent opioid users) per 100'000 person-years

Stratification by calendar year (2010-2022),
age groups (10-year age bands), sex (male/female)

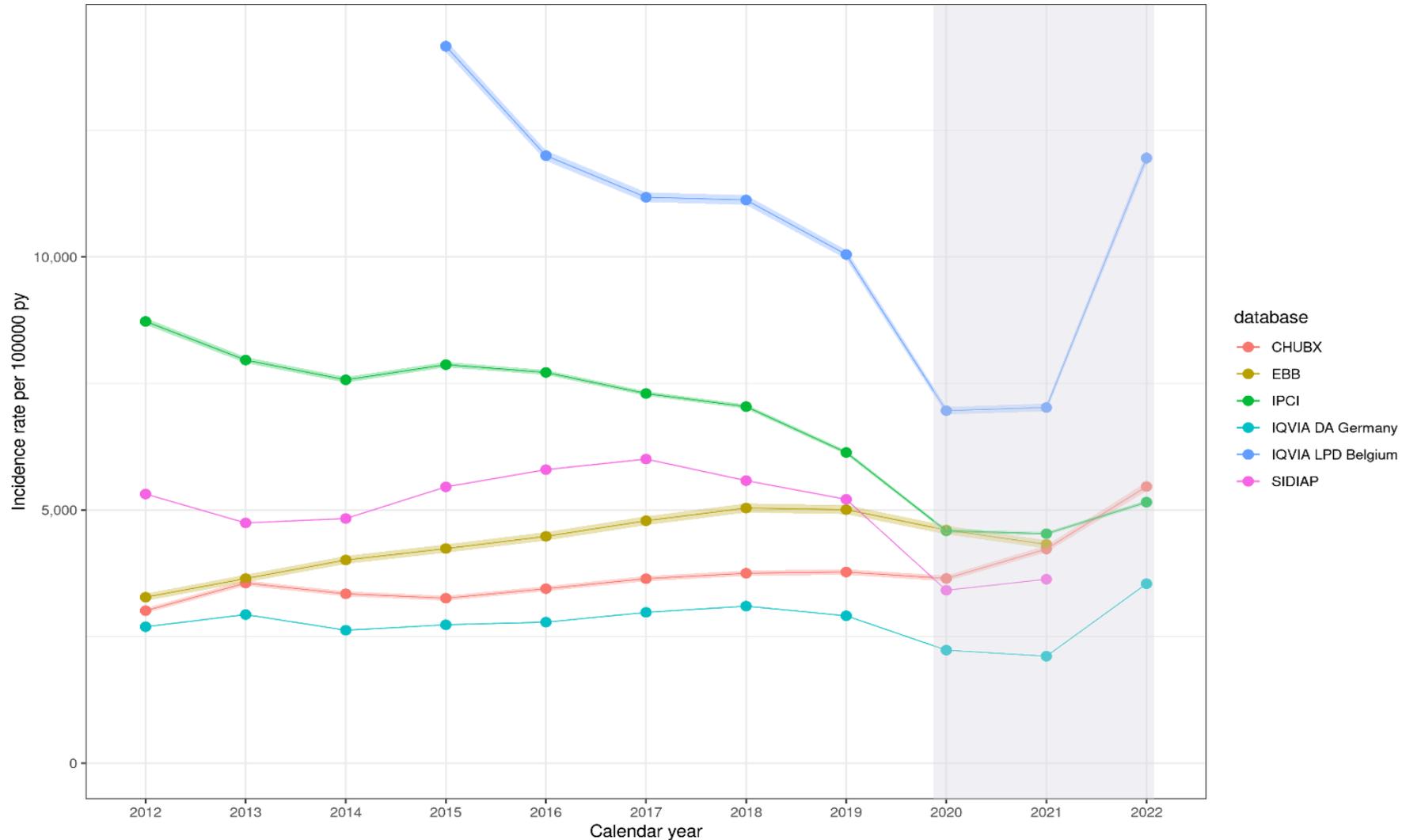




- Prevalence largely stable over time
- Increase in EBB in line with previous literature
- Largely driven by oral opioids



- Prevalence of oxycodone, morphine, fentanyl, and hydromorphone increased



- Incidence substantially decreased in LPD Belgium, IPCI and SIDIAP over time
- Opioid use was highest in older adults
- New prescriptions of codeine and tramadol decreased over time

Patient-level opioid utilisation

DARWIN EU® standardized analyses

- **Large-scale patient-level characterization** including patient demographics, and history of comorbidities and comedication at and before treatment initiation
- Frequency of potential **indications** based on condition concept_ids recorded at index date, and in the 7 and 30days before.
- **Treatment duration** for the first treatment era.

A minimum cell count of 5 was used when reporting results, with any smaller counts reported as <5.



New user characterisation

	SIDIAP	IPCI	IQVIA DA Germany	IQVIA LPD Belgium	CHUBX	EBB
N (New opioid users)	2,023,867	440,849	1,248,388	207,754	138,171	53,344
Age (Median, IQR)	55 [40 - 70]	57 [43 - 70]	54 [32 - 70]	50 [34 - 64]	57 [37 - 72]	54 [42 - 65]
Sex (Female)	1,773,685 (59%)	366,540 (60%)	936,414 (57%)	163,545 (56%)	84,635 (51%)	52,659 (69%)
Proxy for indication*	Common cold (10.9%) Cough (5.4%) Low back pain (3.0%)	Cough (21.5%) Acute upper respiratory tract infection (6.0%) Low back pain (3.7%)	Acute upper respiratory tract infection (15.6%) Cough (14.4%) Nerve root disorder (4.4%)	Cough (26.9%) Common cold (13.7%) Low back pain (10.3%)	Complication of surgical procedure (6.4%) Complication of procedure (6.2%) Headache (5.5%)	Nerve root disorder (11.6%) Pain in spine (9.0%) Cough (8.6%)

*Most frequent conditions recorded in 7 days before and on the day of treatment start

Treatment duration

	SIDIAP	IPCI	IQVIA DA Germany	IQVIA LPD Belgium	CHUBX
All Opioids	11 [7 - 31]	10 [7 - 15]	20 [7 - 30]	9 [5 - 25]	2 [1 - 5]
Codeine	7 [6 - 11]	10 [8 - 15]	8 [1 - 20]	7 [4 - 20]	3 [1 - 6]
Tramadol	21 [10 - 61]	10 [8 - 17]	15 [7 - 25]	20 [10 - 34]	2 [1 - 4]
Hydromorphone	81 [31 - 260]	28 [14 - 52]	50 [25 - 76]	30 [15 - 34]	6 [3 - 10]
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Morphine	33 [11 - 91]	15 [7 - 34]	13 [4 - 30]	15 [7 - 56]	1 [1 - 3]
Oxycodone	69 [29 - 175]	12 [6 - 24]	25 [20 - 50]	28 [9 - 30]	3 [1 - 8]

*median (q25 - q75) in days

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Condition table large scale characteristics

Database: IPCI | **Group:** Cohort name: opioi | **Strata:** Overall: Overall | **Variable:** 9167 items selected | **Window:** -180 to -1 | **Estimate type:** %

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IPCI	Cohort name: opioids 365 days washout	Overall: Overall	Essential hypertension (320128)	-180 to -1	%	7.18
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IPCI	Cohort name: opioids 365 days washout	Overall: Overall	Urinary tract infectious disease (81902)	-180 to -1	%	3.44
IPCI	Cohort name: opioids 365 days washout	Overall: Overall	Fatigue (4223659)	-180 to -1	%	3.34
IPCI	Cohort name: opioids 365 days washout	Overall: Overall	Finding of region of thorax (4185503)	-180 to -1	%	3.2

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Summary

- Prevalence of opioid use largely stable over the last decade
- Decrease in new opioid prescriptions in many European countries
- Opioid use highest among older adults.
- Most common indications: Respiratory conditions and pain-related conditions
- Treatment duration varied greatly by setting and opioid substances

Thank you very much
Study team,
Data partners,
EMA colleagues!

Thank you for your attention!!



DARWIN EU[®]- Treatments of multiple myeloma in Europe from 2012-2022: a population-based network cohort study

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DARWIN EU[®] - Multiple myeloma: patient characterisation, treatments and survival in the period 2012-2022

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Disclosure

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Rationale

- Multiple myeloma is a plasma cell malignancy which represents from 1-1.8% of all cancers and nearly 10% of all hematological malignancies.
- Survival rates have improved in the past decades due to the better management of the disease and the development of new medicines. However, still only 10%-15% of patients achieve or exceed expected survival compared with the matched general population.
- The rarity of multiple myeloma makes it challenging to have a clear picture across Europe of the characteristics of these patients at the time of diagnosis, the different therapies they receive and their overall survival.

Objectives

1. To describe demographic and clinical characteristics of patients with multiple myeloma at the time of diagnosis.
2. To describe multiple myeloma treatments and treatment sequences.
3. To estimate the overall survival of incident multiple myeloma patients during the study period (2012-2022).

Methods

Study design: Cohort study

Study population: all individuals with a first diagnosis of multiple myeloma between 2012 and 2022 (no prior history of cancer) ->3 cohorts were created

Data sources:

- IQVIA Disease Analyzer Germany (IQVIA DA Germany), Germany
- Sistema d'Informació per al Desenvolupament de la Investigació en Atenció Primària (SIDIAP), Spain
- Institut Municipal d'Assistència Sanitària Information System (IMASIS), Spain
- Estonian Biobank, Estonia
- Clinical Data Warehouse of Bordeaux University Hospital (CDWBordeaux), France
- Netherlands Cancer Registry (NCR), The Netherlands

Methods – Data analyses

Large-scale patient-level characterisation – number and % of all comorbidities and medications recorded in different time periods (anytime –and up to 365 days before index date, 365 to 31 days before index date, for 30 to 1 day before index date, and at index date).

Cancer treatments - the number and % of patients receiving each of a pre-specified list of multiple myeloma treatments (at index date, 1 to 30, 1 to 90, and 1 to 365 days post index date).

Survival - calculated using data on time at risk of death from any cause and the Kaplan-Meier (KM) method. Results are reported as plots of the estimated survival curves and the estimated probability of survival at 1, 3, and 5 years.

Results were reported by database, overall and stratified by age and sex, and study period.

R-packages: CohortDiagnostics, PatientProfiles, TreatmentPatterns, and CohortSurvival.

Study population

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without a diagnosis of cancer (any, excluding non-melanoma skin cancer) any time prior to the diagnosis of multiple myeloma	12,360	3,993	329	111	1,7811	11,745
with at least 365 days of prior history available before date of multiple myeloma diagnosis (Cohort 1)	6,080	3,895	254	111	867	-
with a minimum follow-up time of 30 days (Cohort 2)	-	-	275	107	1,587	11,289
with a minimum of 1 year of potential follow-up time (Cohort 3)	-	3,558	301	90	1,639	11,745

Study population – Demographic characteristics

	CDWBordeaux	IQVIA DA Germany	EBB	IMASIS	NCR	SIDIAP
Number	1,781	12,360	111	329	11,745	3,993
Age, median, IQR	67 [59 - 76]	71 [61 - 78]	66 [57 - 73]	75 [64 - 83]	70 [62 - 77]	71 [59 - 79]
Age group, N (%)						
0 to 17	<5	19 (0%)	<5	<5	<5	101 (3%)
18 to 44	51 (3%)	412 (3%)	8 (7%)	12 (4%)	227 (2%)	226 (6%)
45 to 59	428 (24%)	2,192 (18%)	30 (27%)	34 (10%)	2,069 (18%)	687 (17%)
60 to 69	559 (31%)	3,015 (24%)	27 (24%)	70 (21%)	3,346 (28%)	878 (22%)
>=70	760 (42%)	6,722 (54%)	46 (41%)	210 (64%)	6,103 (52%)	2,101 (53%)
Sex, N (%)						
Female	823 (46%)	6,017 (49%)	65 (59%)	164 (50%)	4,918 (42%)	2,043 (51%)
Male	976 (54%)	6,332 (51%)	46 (41%)	165 (50%)	6,827 (58%)	1,950 (49%)

Study population – Large-scale characterisation

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Results – Large-scale characterisation – Comorbidities

Comorbidity	CDWBordeaux (n=3895)	EBB (n=107)	IQVIA DA Germany (n=6080)	IMASIS (n=254)	SIDIAP (n=3895)
Hypertension	309 (35.44%)	65 (58.56%)	2898 (47.66%)	116 (45.67%)	1051 (26.98%)
Osteoarthritis	39 (4.47%)	65 (58.56%)	1998 (32.86%)	52 (20.47%)	1073 (27.55%)
Hyperlipidemia	94 (10.78%)	26 (23.42%)	1538 (25.3%)	77 (30.31%)	544 (13.97%)
Renal impairment	183 (20.99%)	26 (23.42%)	868 (14.28%)	86 (33.86%)	698 (17.92%)
Diabetes mellitus	95 (10.89%)	16 (14.41%)	1164 (19.14%)	32 (12.6%)	446 (11.45%)
Urinary tract infection	32 (3.67%)	19 (17.12%)	739 (12.15%)	47 (18.5%)	765 (19.64%)
Depressive disorder	50 (5.73%)	34 (30.63%)	1027 (16.89%)	28 (11.02%)	434 (11.14%)
Obesity	11 (1.26%)	16 (14.41%)	681 (11.2%)	23 (9.06%)	706 (18.13%)
Anxiety	89 (10.21%)	32 (28.83%)	625 (10.28%)	10 (3.94%)	659 (16.92%)
Pneumonia	71 (8.14%)	24 (21.62%)	420 (6.91%)	36 (14.17%)	414 (10.63%)
COPD	38 (4.36%)	16 (14.41%)	645 (10.61%)	28 (11.02%)	213 (5.47%)
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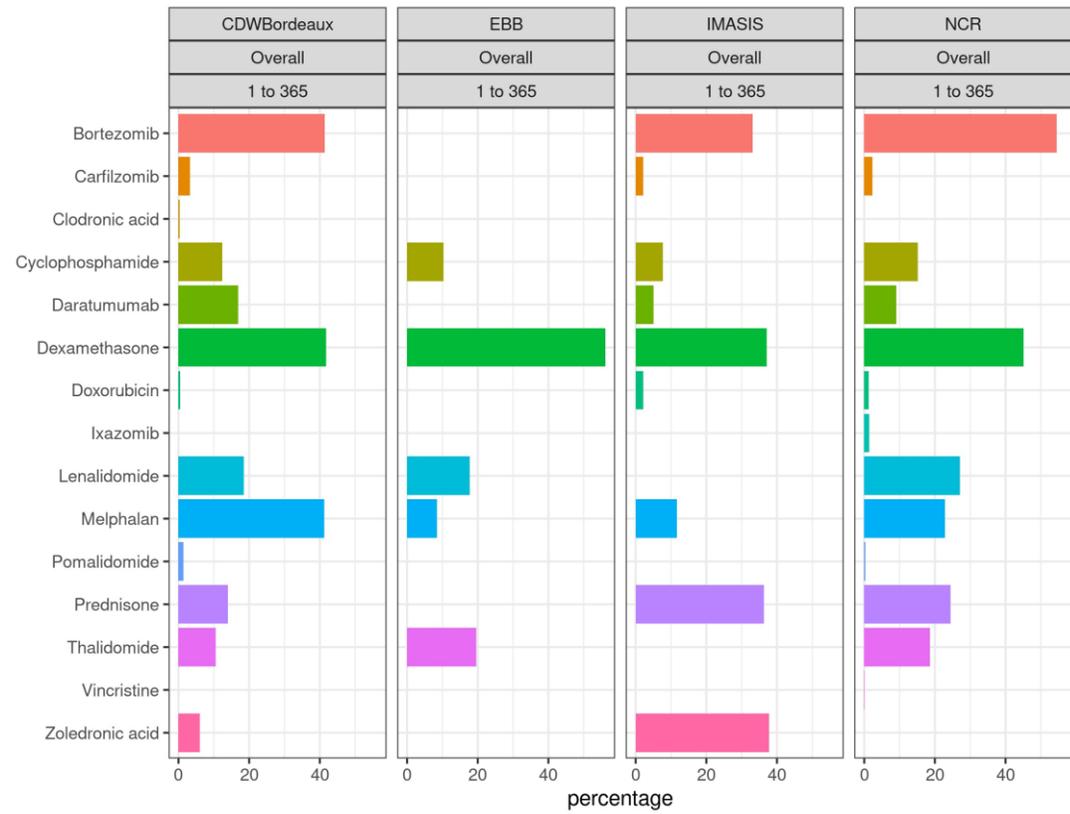
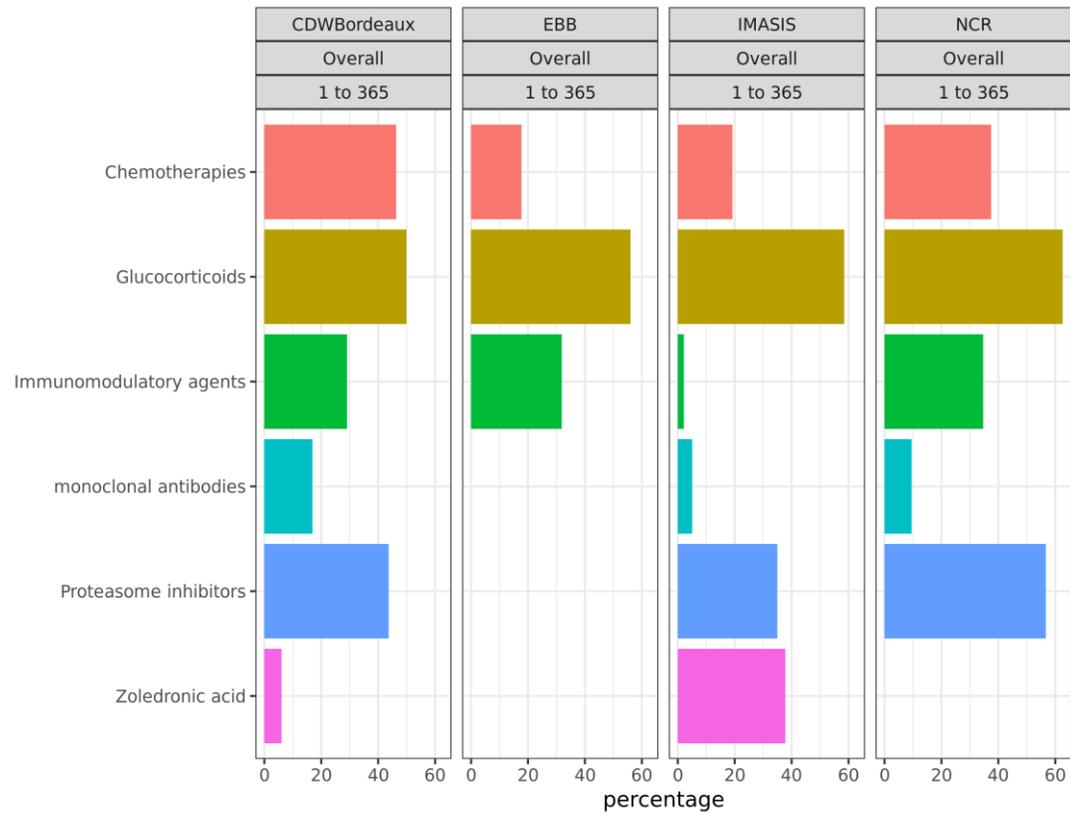
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- No differences by sex
- By age group
 - Younger age groups (18-59 years) also included anxiety, depression, and asthma
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Study population – Cancer Treatments

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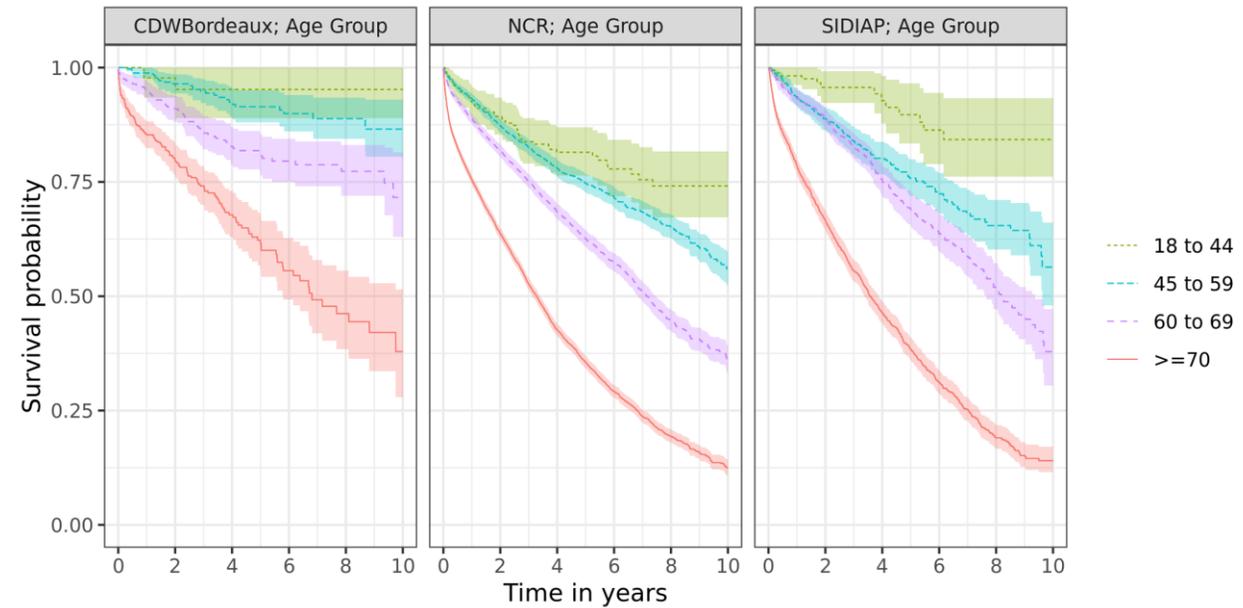
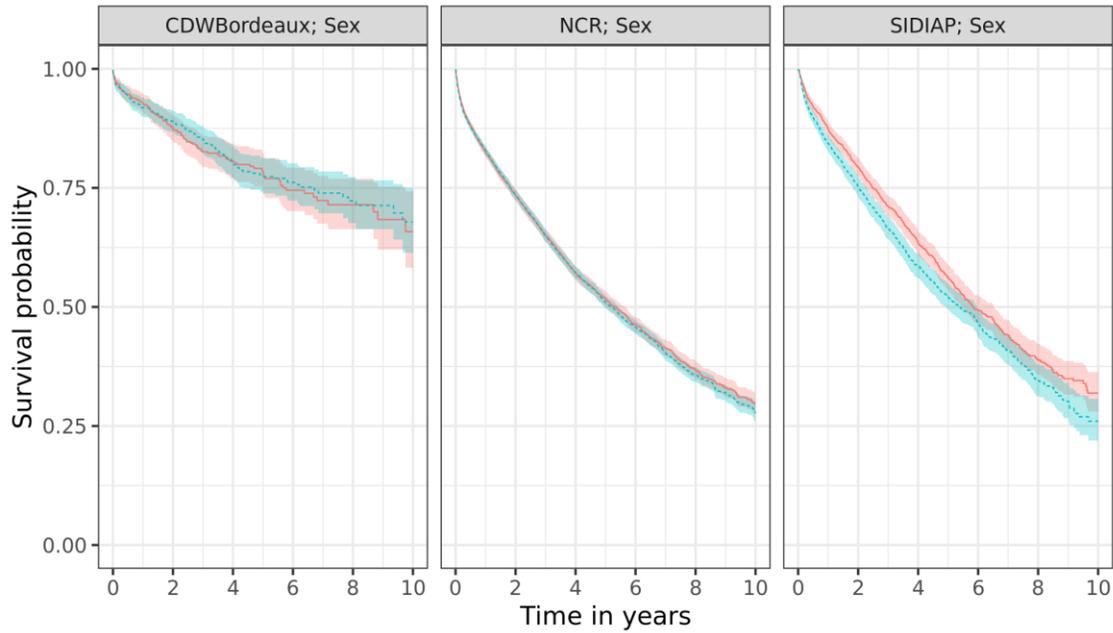
Study population - Survival

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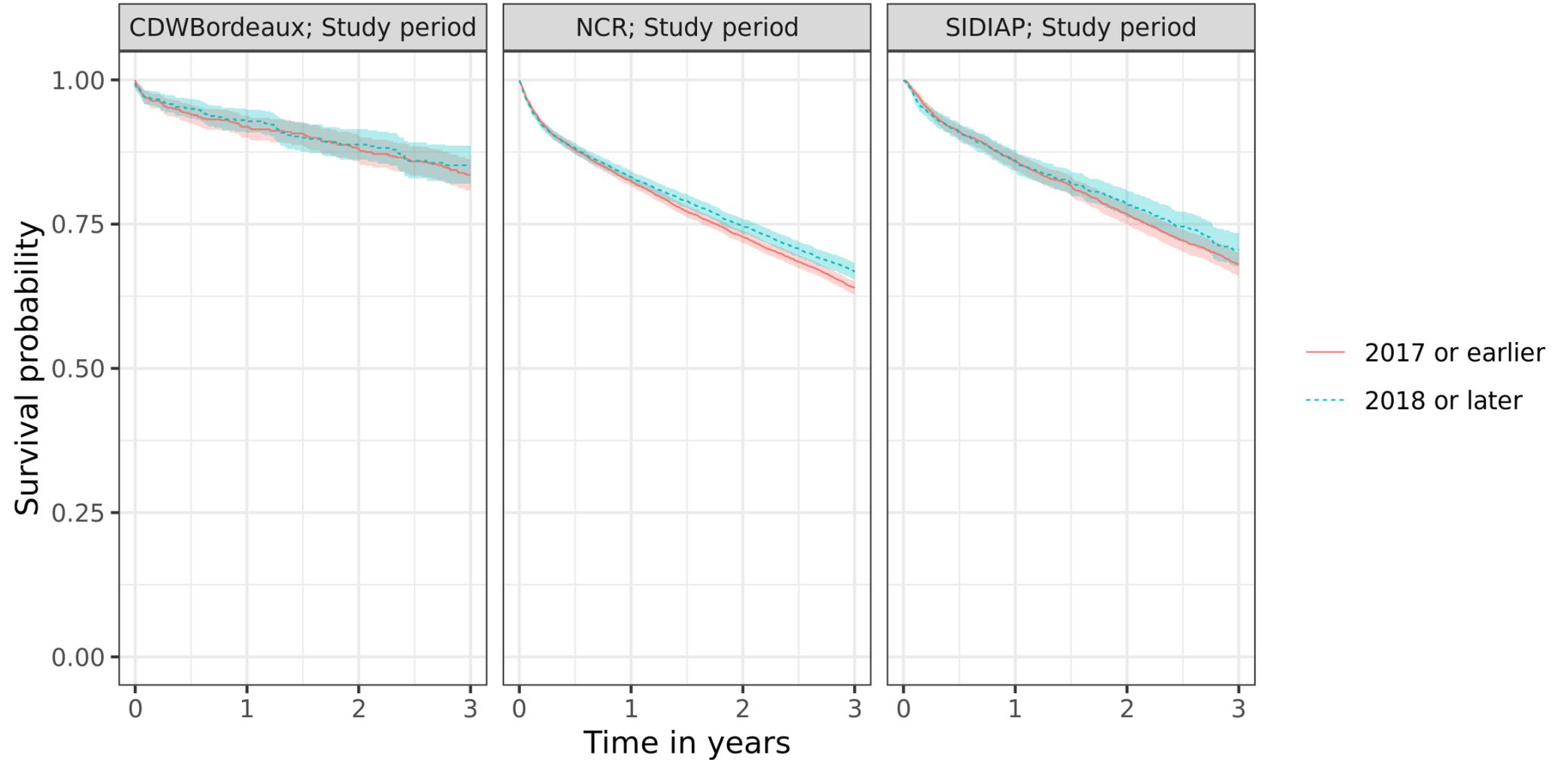
Results – Overall Survival

Database	N start	Events	Restricted mean survival (years)	1 year survival	3 year survival	5 year survival
CDWBordeaux	1644	262	7.96	0.92 (0.91 to 0.94)	0.84 (0.82 to 0.86)	0.78 (0.75 to 0.81)
EBB	90	26	6.96	0.92 (0.87 to 0.98)	0.79 (0.71 to 0.89)	0.76 (0.67 to 0.86)
IMASIS	301	114	5.16	0.79 (0.74 to 0.84)	0.62 (0.56 to 0.69)	0.49 (0.42 to 0.58)
NCR	11745	5964	5.47	0.83 (0.82 to 0.83)	0.65 (0.64 to 0.66)	0.51 (0.5 to 0.52)
SIDIAP	3558	1615	5.70	0.86 (0.85 to 0.87)	0.69 (0.67 to 0.7)	0.54 (0.52 to 0.56)

Results – Survival by Sex and Age



Results – Survival by Study Period



Conclusions

- We provided a characterisation of 30,319 patients newly diagnosed with multiple myeloma in between 2012 and 2022 across Europe.
- The most frequently used treatments were glucocorticoids, followed by proteasome inhibitors, chemotherapies and immunomodulatory agents.
- Immunomodulatory agents and proteasome inhibitors were used less in older individuals.
- Survival probabilities varied substantially by age groups, with a decrease in survival observed with older age.

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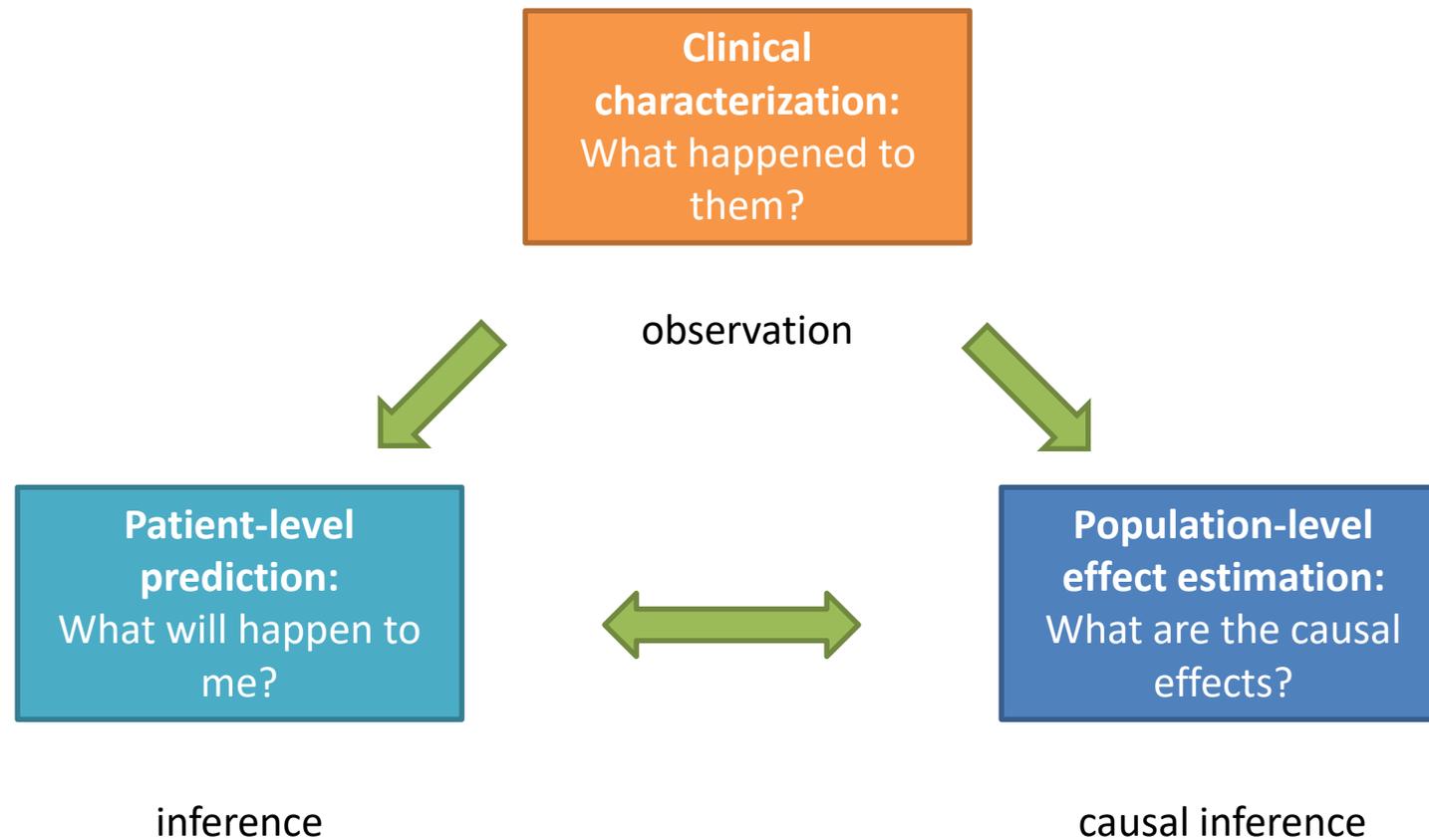
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Complementary evidence to inform the patient journey



Standardized questions → Standardized analytics → Standardized evidence

Analytic use case	Type	Structure	Example
Clinical characterization	Disease Natural History	Amongst patients who are diagnosed with <insert your favorite disease> , what are the patient's characteristics from their medical history?	Amongst patients with rheumatoid arthritis , what are their demographics (age, gender), prior conditions, medications, and health service utilization behaviors?
	Treatment utilization	Amongst patients who have <insert your favorite disease> , which treatments were patients exposed to amongst <list of treatments for disease> and in which sequence?	Amongst patients with depression , which treatments were patients exposed to SSRI, SNRI, TCA, bupropion, esketamine and in which sequence?
	Outcome incidence	Amongst patients who are new users of <insert your favorite drug> , how many patients experienced <insert your favorite known adverse event from the drug profile> within <time horizon following exposure start> ?	Amongst patients who are new users of methylphenidate , how many patients experienced psychosis within 1 year of initiating treatment ?
Population-level effect estimation	Safety surveillance	Does exposure to <insert your favorite drug> increase the risk of experiencing <insert an adverse event> within <time horizon following exposure start> ?	Does exposure to ACE inhibitor increase the risk of experiencing Angioedema within 1 month after exposure start ?
	Comparative effectiveness	Does exposure to <insert your favorite drug> have a different risk of experiencing <insert any outcome (safety or benefit) > within <time horizon following exposure start> , relative to <insert your comparator treatment> ?	Does exposure to ACE inhibitor have a different risk of experiencing acute myocardial infarction while on treatment , relative to thiazide diuretic ?
Patient level prediction	Disease onset and progression	For a given patient who is diagnosed with <insert your favorite disease> , what is the probability that they will go on to have <another disease or related complication> within <time horizon from diagnosis> ?	For a given patient who is newly diagnosed with atrial fibrillation , what is the probability that they will go onto to have ischemic stroke in next 3 years ?
	Treatment response	For a given patient who is a new user of <insert your favorite chronically-used drug> , what is the probability that they will <insert desired effect> in <time window> ?	For a given patient with T2DM who start on metformin , what is the probability that they will maintain HbA1C<6.5% after 3 years ?
	Treatment safety	For a given patient who is a new user of <insert your favorite drug> , what is the probability that they will experience <insert adverse event > within <time horizon following exposure> ?	For a given patients who is a new user of warfarin , what is the probability that they will have GI bleed in 1 year ?



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What evidence should we generate together and showcase at OHDSI Europe in 2025?

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Closing Remarks

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ODYSSEUS' TEN-YEAR JOURNEY HOME

(POSSIBLE ROUTE ACCORDING TO PETER STRUCK, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA)



CIMMERIANS
ODYSSEUS ENTERS THE UNDERWORLD

10

SCHERIA
ODYSSEUS TELLS HIS STORY TO THE PHAEACIANS AND IS OFFERED A RIDE HOME

16

AEAEA
GODDESS CIRCE TURNS THE CREW TO SWINE

9

SIRENS
CREW BLOCKS EARS WITH WAX TO AVOID SONG MAGIC

11

OGYGIA
ODYSSEUS HAS A 7-YEAR AFFAIR WITH THE NYMPH CALYPSO

15

CYCLOPES
ODYSSEUS BLINDS POLYPHEMUS, POSEIDON'S SON

6

SCYLLA
MONSTER EATS SIX OF THE CREW

12

CHARYBDIS
MONSTROUS WHIRLPOOL

13

ITHACA
ODYSSEUS RETURNS HOME, KILLS THE SUITORS WHO BESET PENELOPE, HIS WIFE.

17

CAPE MALEA
ODYSSEUS IS BLOWN OFF COURSE

3

CYTHERA
STORMS FOR TEN DAYS

4

TROY
ODYSSEUS LEAVES WITH 12 SHIPS

1

ISMARUS
THE CREW PILLAGES TOWN, KIDNAPS CICONES' WIVES. THE CICONES KILL 76

2

LOTOPHAGI
(LAND OF LOTUS-EATERS) THE CREW EATS ADDICTIVE FLOWERS AND WANTS TO STAY

5

LAMOS
LAESTRYGONIANS KILL AND EAT MOST OF THE CREW

8

AEOLIA
THE CREW OPENS BAG OF WINDS AND IS BLOWN OFF COURSE

7

THRINACIA
THE CREW EATS THE "OXEN OF THE SUN" AND IS PUNISHED BY ZEUS. ODYSSEUS IS THE LONE SURVIVOR

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Characters from Odysseus to OHDSI

- Achilles
- Aegis
- Aeolus
- Andromeda
- Aphrodite
- Apollo
- Arachne
- Ares
- Argos
- Artemis
- Athena
- Atlas
- Broadsea
- Calypso
- Castor
- Centaur
- Charybdis
- Chronos
- Circe
- Cyclops
- Eunomia
- Eumaeus
- Hades
- Helios
- Hera
- Heracles
- Hermes
- Hestia
- Homer
- Hydra
- Icarus
- Koios
- Laertes
- Nostos
- Olympus
- Penelope
- Perseus
- Strategus
- Sisyphus
- Scylla
- Tantalus
- Themis
- Ulysses
- ???



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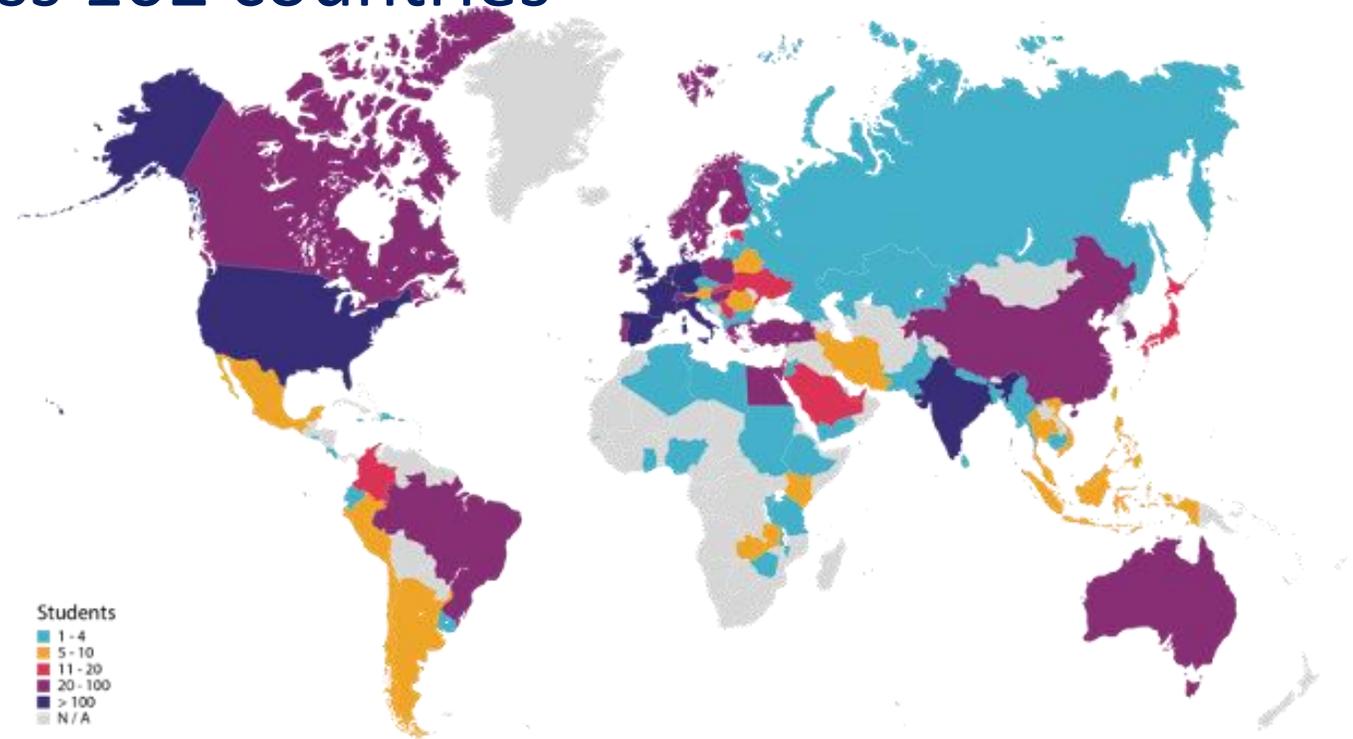
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