

Ratios between gut bacteria as potential markers for colorectal cancer screening

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Background

The gut microbiome is very diverse, and its composition is related to diseases, including colorectal cancer (CRC). Certain bacteria, like *Fusobacterium nucleatum*, have been proposed as potential CRC drivers, as they can cause inflammation in the gut. Others, like *Roseburia spp* or *Faecalibacterium prausnitzii*, have been proposed as CRC protectors, mediated by processes such as butyrate production. However, there are no screening programs that benefit from potential microbial markers to detect the presence or development of CRC.

Design and methods

We shotgun sequenced stool samples from 156 participants. We also obtained publicly available shotgun sequencing data from five additional studies and analysed them using the same pipelines. We classified sequencing reads taxonomically against the GTDB database using Kraken2 and performed statistical analyses to find patterns that differentiate between colorectal cancer patients and controls.

Software

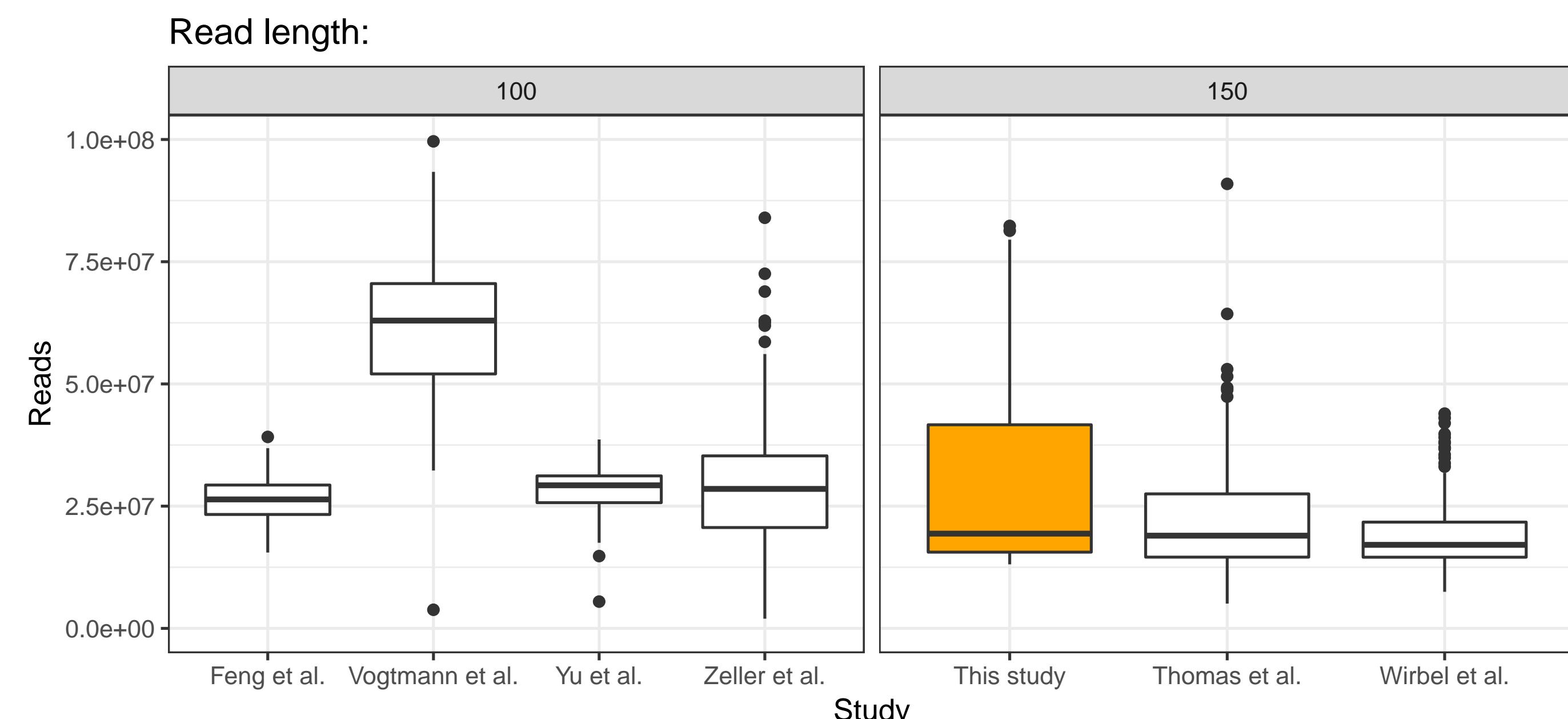
Quality control: FASTQC
Deduplication: Clumpify
Cleaning: BBduk
Human reads removal: Bowtie2
Taxonomic classification: Kraken2
Statistics: R and R packages
ILR transform: PhilR (R)
Machine learning: mlr (R)

Data for meta-analysis

We collected sequencing reads from six datasets besides our own (sample sizes shown below)

Study	Feng et al.	This study	Thomas et al.	Vogtmann et al.	Wirbel et al.	Yu et al.	Zeller et al.	Total
Cancer	46	51	61	52	22	75	91	398
Adenoma	47	54	27	0	0	0	42	170
Control	63	51	52	52	60	53	66	397

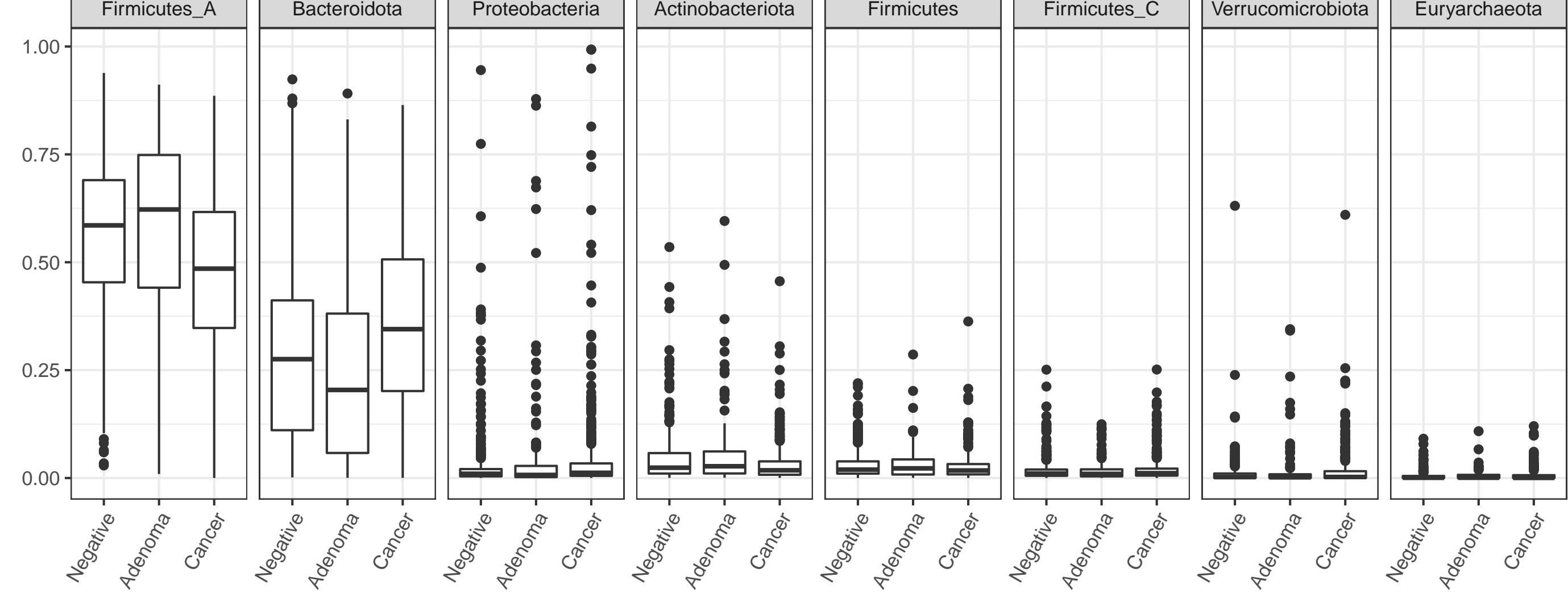
Our dataset was sequenced at a high coverage, matching previous datasets:



Phylum-level bacterial abundance

Under the GTDB taxonomy, the most common bacterial phylums are Firmicutes_A and Bacteroidota (Bacteroidetes). Genus in the Firmicutes_A phylum include *Blautia*, *Faecalibacterium* and *Roseburia*. Genus in the Bacteroidota phylum include *Bacteroides* and *Prevotella*. Species belonging to other phylums, such as *Methanobrevibacter smithii*, *Bifidobacterium spp.* and *Lactobacillus spp.* are less abundant.

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Why compositional methods?

Compositional data analysis is a branch of statistics which deals with datasets in proportions. This means that the increase of one feature implies a decrease in all others. Microbiome sequencing data fits this description, because sequencing machines output a fixed amount of reads independent of the original amount of DNA present in the sample. In order to apply statistical methods to compositional data, it needs to be transformed using a log-ratio transformation. The detected amount of sequencing counts of each bacteria cannot be used directly (if one grows, the rest have to decrease), but the ratios between one bacteria and another are maintained in the sequencing process!

Here, we used the isometric log-ratio (ilr) transform, exemplified here:

	Bacteria 1	Bacteria 2	Bacteria 3		Bac 1 & 2 / Bac 3	Bac 1 / Bac 2
Sample 1	10	5	2	Sample 1	Positive	Positive
Sample 2	3	10	3	Sample 2	Positive	Negative
Sample 3	20	10	4	Sample 3	Same as sample 1	Same as sample 1

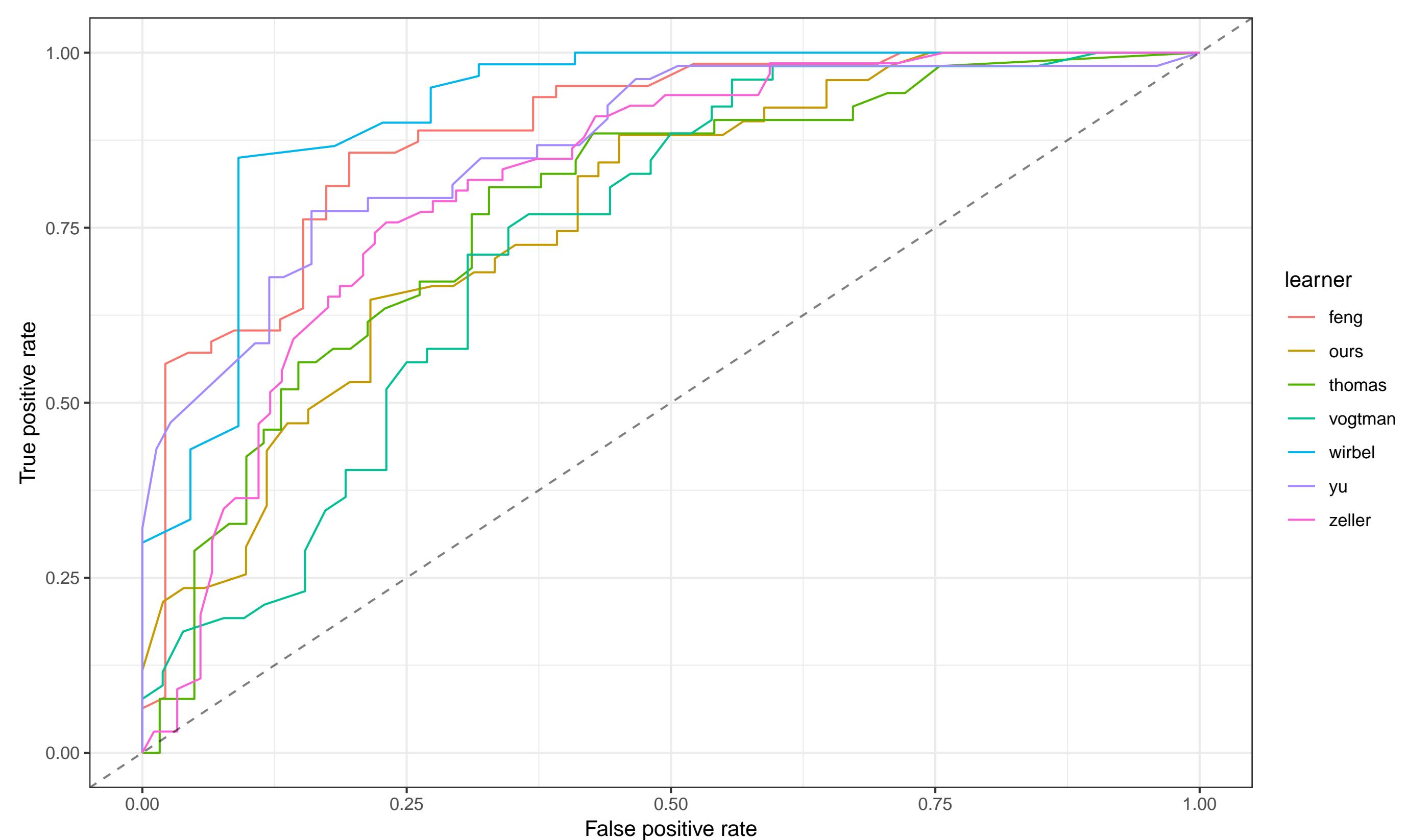
To define the partition, we used the phylogenetic tree in the GTDB taxonomy as implemented in the PhilR package.

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Microbiome for colorectal cancer prediction

In order to test the predictive potential of the gut microbiome for colorectal cancer, we built logistic regression models with LASSO correction excluding the adenoma samples. For each dataset, ROC curves were built by training a model on all other datasets, using the remaining one as the test dataset.

When building these models, the ratios between species were used as variables.



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Incidence of dementia in the European Prospective Investigation into Cancer and nutrition (EPIC)-Spain study.

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Background

Dementia is a Public Health priority worldwide, but incidence data is scarce in countries like Spain. Our aim was to estimate incidence rates of dementia and Alzheimer disease for different populations participating in the EPIC-Spain study.

Methods

Prospective cohort study which recruited adult volunteers (30-70 years) between 1992 and 1996 in five Spanish regions. The incidence of dementia was ascertained in 25,015 subjects (57% women) from Gipuzkoa, Navarra, and Murcia, using a two-step identification and validation protocol. Potential cases were identified by record linkage with health databases (primary care, hospital records and mortality registers) using a combination of ICD-9 and -10, ICPC2 and ATC codes, who were further validated through the expert revision of all available medical records. Follow-up was complete until 2015-2017, depending on the center. Baseline data on sociodemographic, lifestyle, and health-related variables was obtained for all participants.

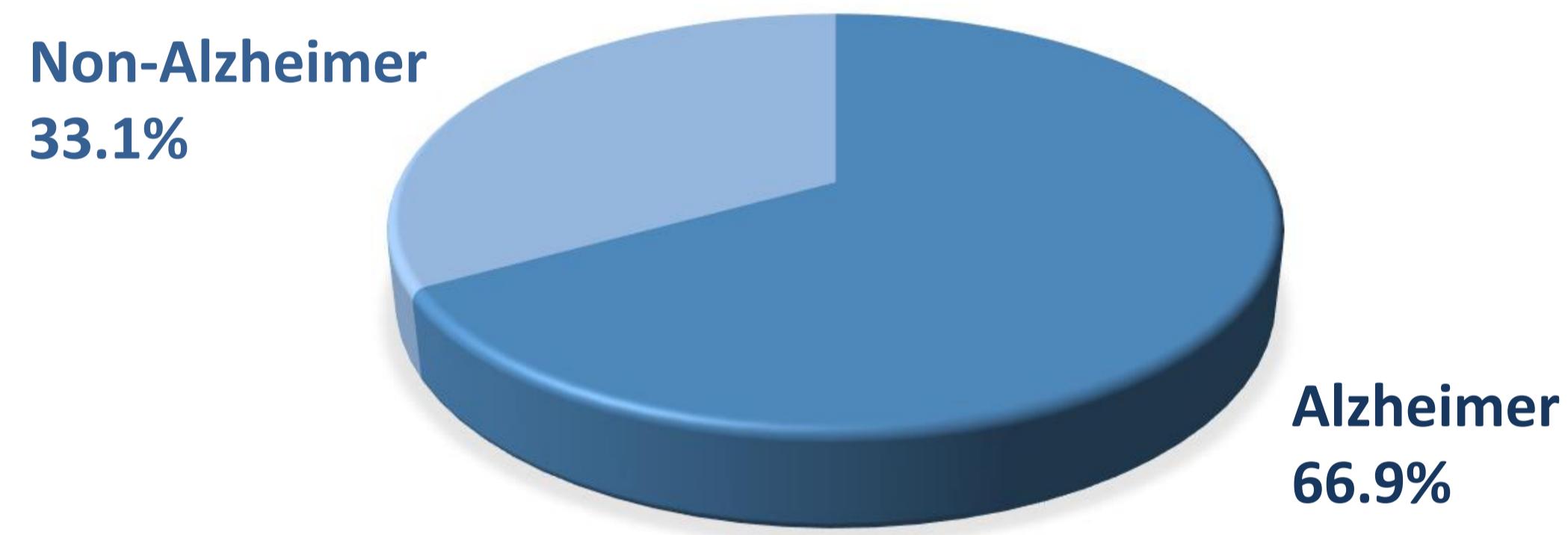


Figure 1 | Sub-types of incident dementia cases in the EPIC-Spain cohort.

Results

After 21.5 (± 3.6) years of follow-up, a total of 774 cases of dementia (67% Alzheimer) were validated. Age-standardised incidence rates (and 95% confidence intervals) for the age band of 65+ years were 4.6 (3.3-5.9) cases per 1000 person-years (py) for men, and 6.2 (4.8-7.6) per 1000 py for women (2013 European standard population), and 3.8 (2.9-4.6) and 5.0 (4.2-5.9) cases per 1000 py for men and women (world population standard). The estimated 20-years cumulative risk of dementia for the 60-65 years old group was 9% (7.4-11.1%) among men and 12.5% (10.6-14.6%) among women. Incidence was higher among participants of low educational level, obese, and not drinking alcohol, and in patients with chronic co-morbidities.

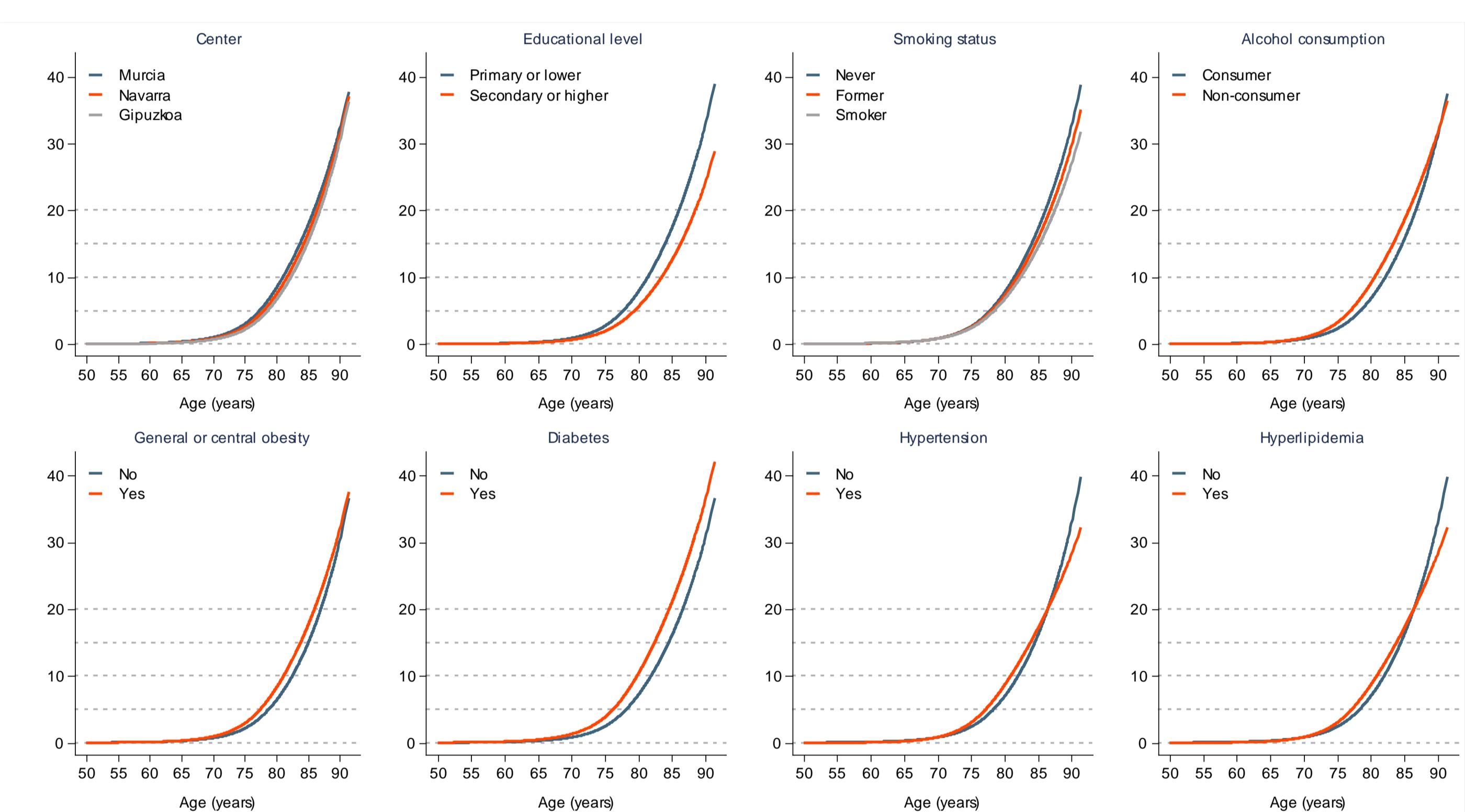


Figure 3 | Estimated cumulative incidence of dementia by selected variables in the EPIC-Spain cohort, by age.

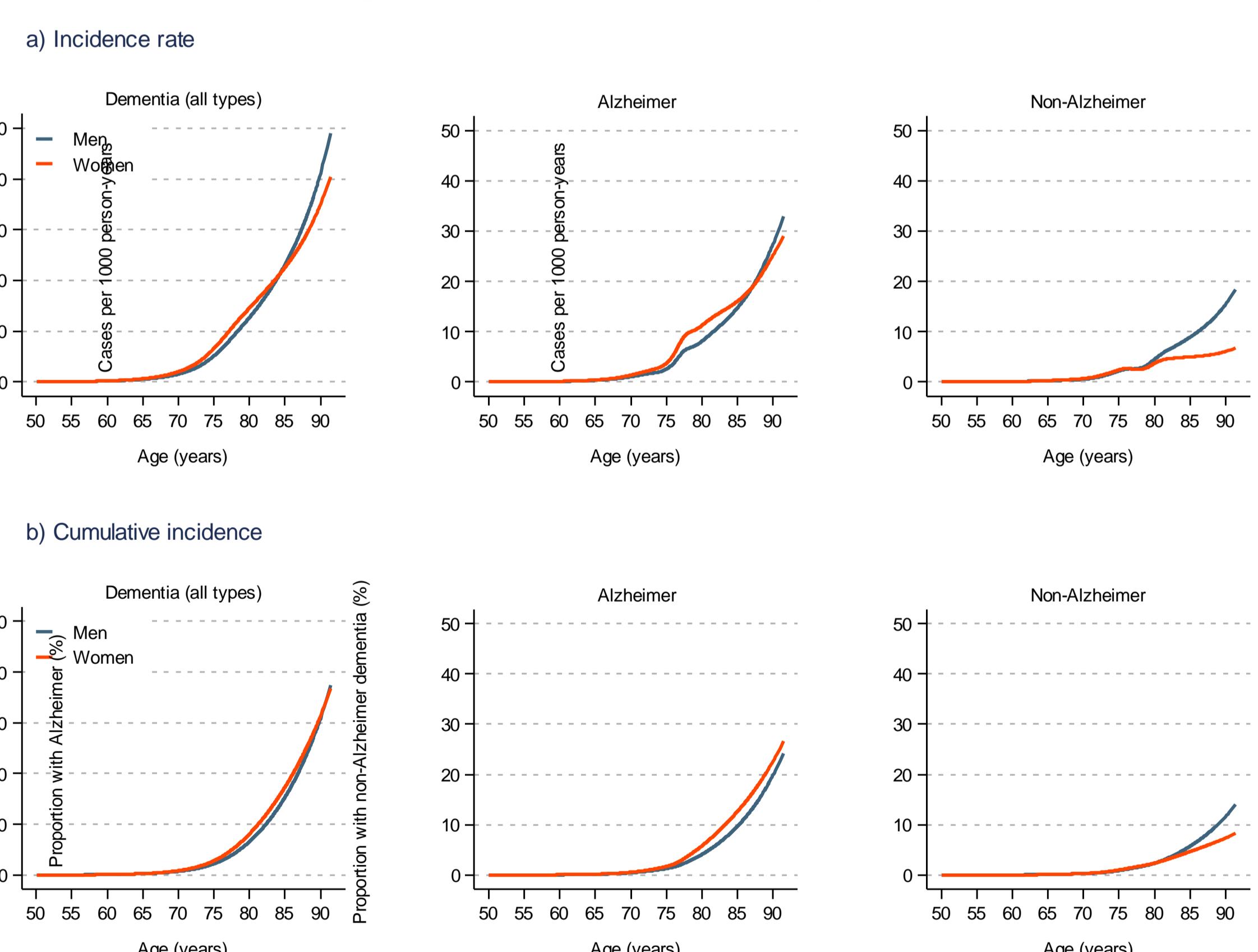


Figure 2 | Estimated incidence rates of dementia and sub-types in the EPIC-Spain cohort, by age and sex.

Sex	Age at enrolment	10-y cumulative hazard	15-y cumulative hazard	20-y cumulative hazard
		Proportion with dementia (%)		
Women	55-59.9 y	0.21 (0.08-0.56)	1.25 (0.83-1.87)	4.86 (3.94-6.01)
	60-64.9 y	1.36 (0.87-2.13)	4.11 (3.15-5.35)	12.45 (10.62-14.61)
	65-69.9 y	-	6.48 (2.43-17.27)	17.81 (9.56-33.19)
Men	55-59.9 y	0.18 (0.06-0.54)	0.92 (0.55-1.52)	4.01 (3.11-5.17)
	60-64.9 y	0.48 (0.21-1.07)	2.96 (2.11-4.14)	9.05 (7.36-11.12)
	65-69.9 y	-	5.73 (1.84-17.85)	13.00 (5.80-29.13)
Sex	Age at enrolment	Proportion with Alzheimer's disease (%)		
		0.16 (0.05-0.49)	0.87 (0.53-1.41)	3.40 (2.64-4.37)
		0.64 (0.34-1.24)	2.32 (1.63-3.30)	8.84 (7.31-10.68)
Men	55-59.9 y	0.12 (0.03-0.47)	0.74 (0.42-1.30)	2.73 (2.01-3.71)
	60-64.9 y	0.32 (0.12-0.86)	1.84 (1.20-2.82)	6.03 (4.67-7.78)
	65-69.9 y	-	3.61 (0.90-14.43)	8.43 (3.13-22.71)

Table 1 | Nelson-Aalen cumulative hazard estimates (with 95% confidence intervals) of dementia and Alzheimer's disease at 10, 15 and 20 years from enrolment in 25 015 participants from the EPIC-Spain cohort, by sex.

Conclusions

The incidence of dementia was higher in women than men participating in the EPIC-Spain cohort, and lower than neighboring countries. 12% of women and 9% of men between 60-65 years would develop dementia in a 20-year period. This has important implications for dementia prevention.

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Recent trends in cancer survival in adult patients in Spain

Results from thirteen population-based cancer registries

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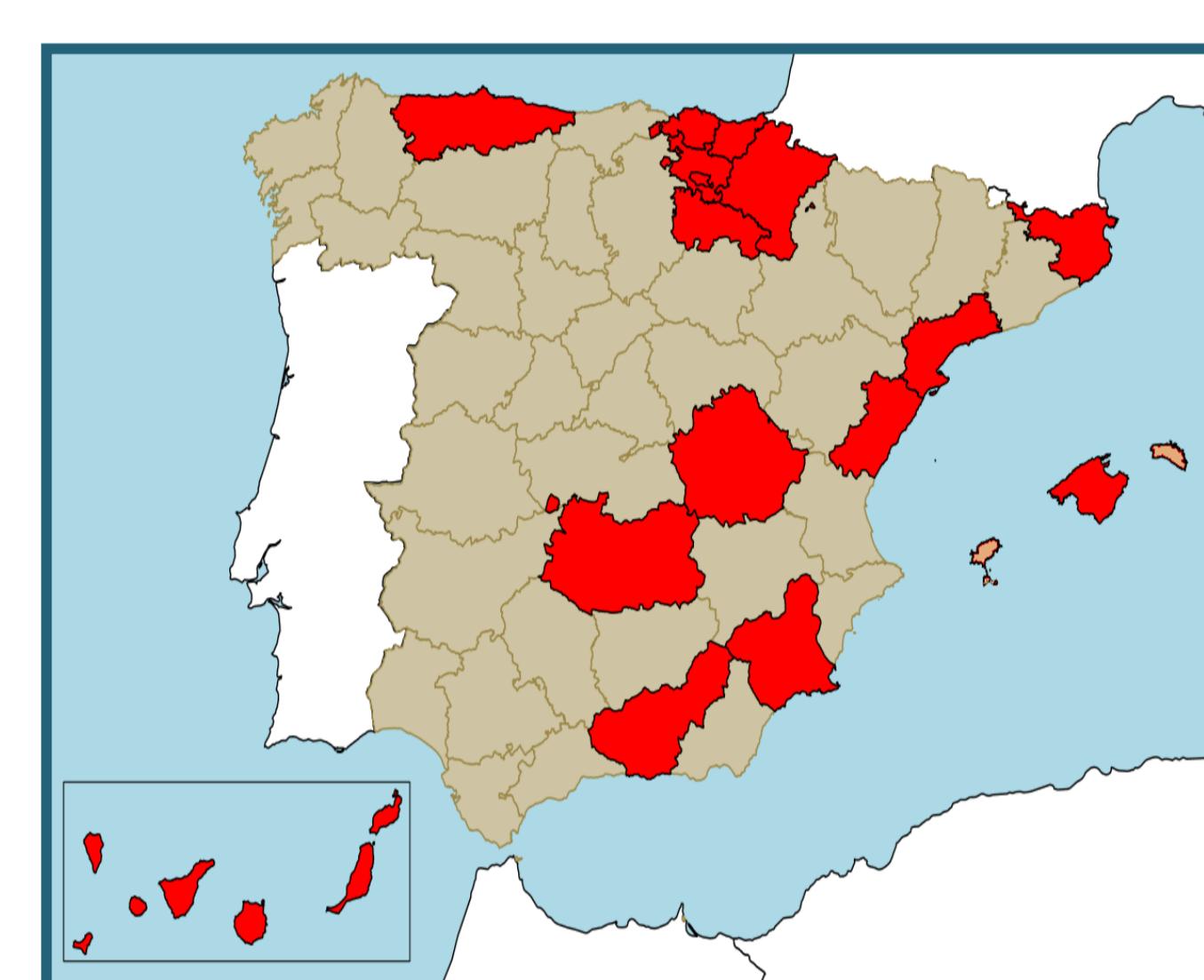
Cancer survival is a key indicator of the effectiveness of a health system in management of cancer. We aimed to examine recent trends in cancer survival in Spain.

Methods

Population-based data from thirteen REDECAN cancer registries, covering 27% of the Spanish population, were provided for ~600,000 adult patients diagnosed with primary cancer over two periods, 2002–2007 and 2008–2013, and followed up to 2015.

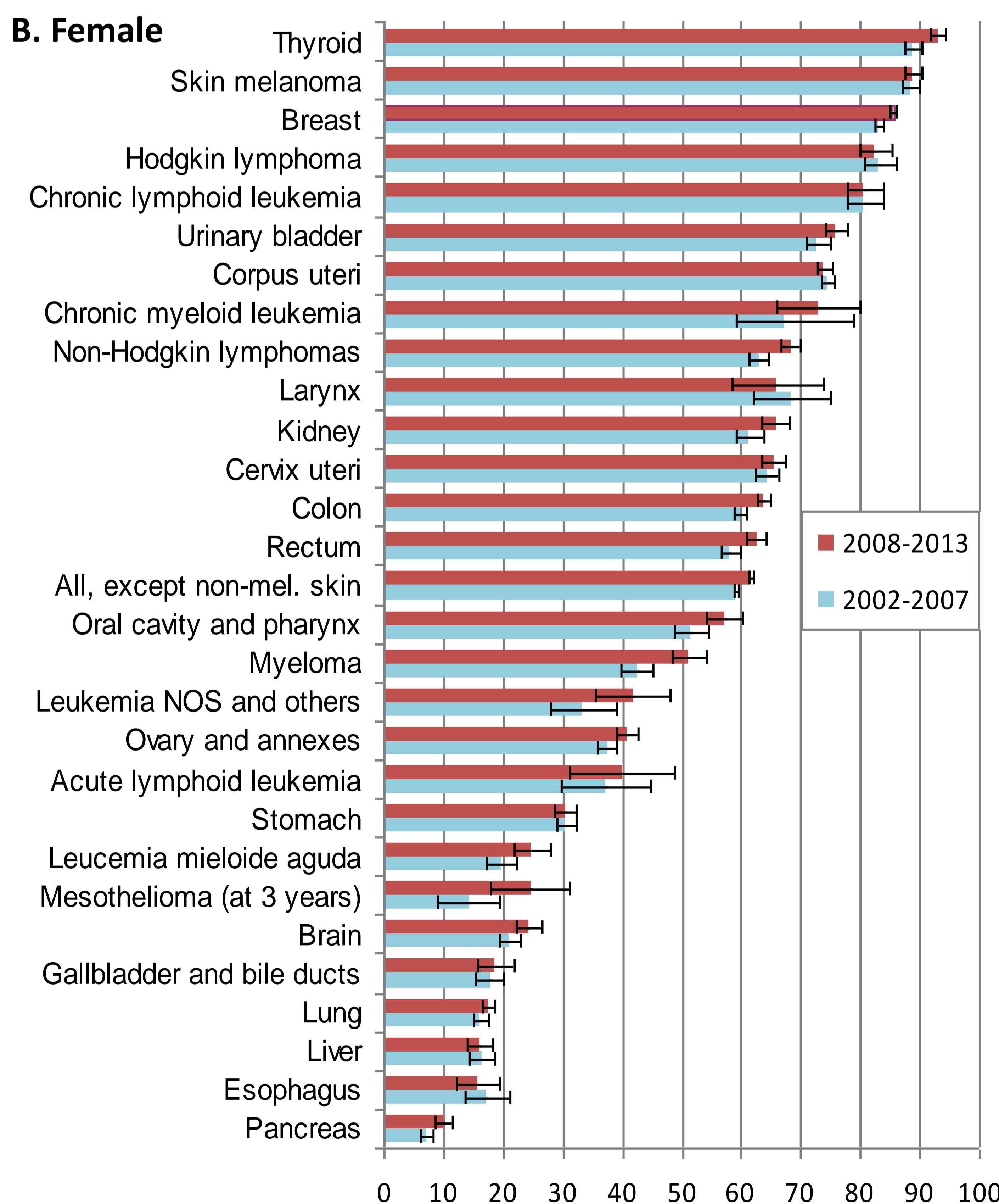
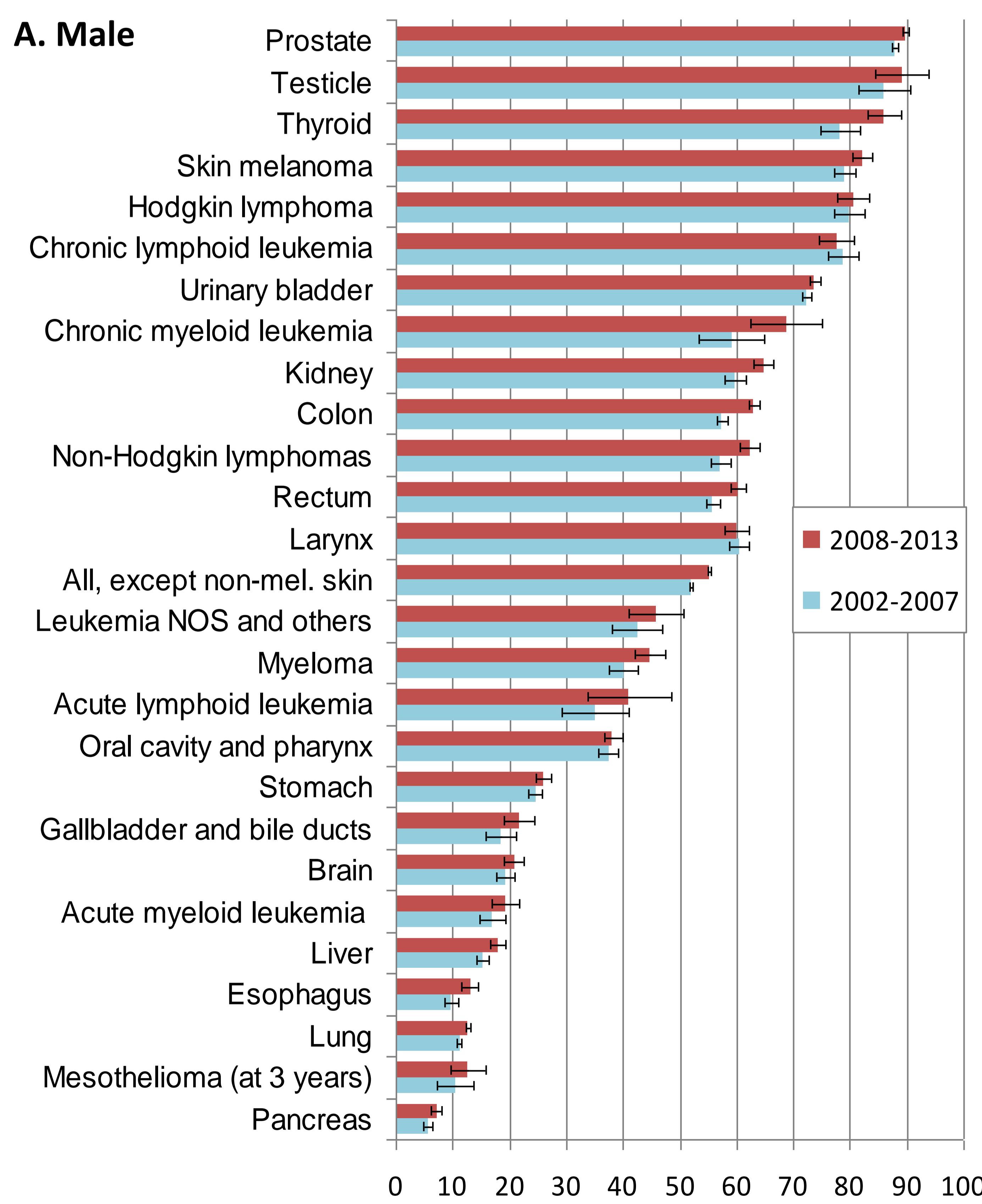
For thirty groups of cancers, 5-year net survival (NS) was estimated through the Pohar-Perme method, by sex, age and period. We used the international cancer survival standard weights to calculate age-standardized estimates.

Fig 1. Cancer registries participating



Results

Fig 2. Five-year age-standardized net survival (%) by tumor type and period in male (A) and female (B). REDECAN, Spain.



Conclusions

Short-term survival improved for most common cancers over 2002–2013, especially the survival of colon and rectum cancers (increase of >4% points). These improvements are probably due to advances in cancer management, i.e. earlier diagnosis and better treatment. Poor prognosis still found in some tobacco-related cancers highlights the continuing need for prevention efforts.

GEO_CIBER: a geocoding tool for the cancer surveillance program (VICA)

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Introduction

- Address geocoding can be very useful in the context of cancer surveillance developed by population-based cancer registries in Spain (REDECAN).
- There are numerous geocoding systems, with different capacities, limitations and complexities of use.
- The objective of this work as part of the VICA cancer surveillance subprogram is to develop a free and easy to use application of geocoding based on reliable results.

Methods

Pilot study to develop the geocoding tool:

Phase 1. Geocoder selection

- Sample of **214 addresses** randomly selected from the databases of the cancer registries participating in VICA.
- Implementation and feature evaluation of several free geocoding software (probability of success, easy to use, time,...)
- Geocoding software selected:**



Phase 2. App Development

Software:



Outputs: Latitude, longitude and geo_ciber_score (1=High predicted probability to 6= Low predicted probability to be correctly geocoded), kml file.

Phase 3. Validation

Geocoded and validated database of **2722 addresses** from Granada Cancer Registry

Phase 1

Results

Phase 2

geo_ciber_score	Number of addresses	Accumulated % of sample	Accumulated % of addesses geocoded correctly	% of addresses geocoded correctly
1	108	50	49	97
2	31	65	63	97
3	38	83	79	92
4	10	87	84	90
5	13	93	88	77
6	14	100	91	36

Phase 3

geo_ciber_score	Number of addresses	Accumulated % of sample	Accumulated % of addesses geocoded correctly	% of addresses geocoded correctly
1	275	10	10	97
2	0	10	10	0
3	1853	78	71	90
4	53	80	73	91
5	40	82	74	95
6	501	100	82	40

Conclusion

- The application provides enough information and reliable geocoding results to be useful in cancer surveillance.
- The quality of the information on the addresses is important in order to obtain a better performance.

Pilot study about the chemical pollution of drinking water sources in rural Mozambique.

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Most chemicals were far below the maximum regulatory levels in the EU except manganese, with ≈50% samples exceeding the EU regulations.

Background and objective

- Limited knowledge of the chemical quality of drinking water in low and middle-income countries.
- Manhiça is a rural village in southern Mozambique where pesticides including DDT are widely used for malaria control, and with sugar cane fields and a factory where pesticides and chemicals are used.
- We measured a wide range of chemicals and toxicity in drinking water sources in Manhiça.

Results

Elements, µg/L	N (%) >QL	Median	Max.	Regulatory limit EU ¹
Antimonium (Sb)	0 (0%)	<1.0	<1.0	5.0
Cadmium (Cd)	0 (0%)	<1.0	<1.0	5.0
Copper (Cu)	0 (0%)	<50	<50	2.0
Mercury (Hg)	0 (0%)	<0.2	<0.5	1.0
Zinc (Zn)	0 (0%)	<50	<50	-
Silver (Ag)	0 (0%)	<1.0	<1.0	-
Arsenic (As)	2 (10%)	<1.0	2.8	10
Lead (Pb)	3 (15%)	<1.0	4.0	10
Selenium (Se)	8 (40%)	<1.0	2.1	10
Iron (Fe)	9 (45%)	<25	3190	200
Nickel (Ni)	13 (65%)	<1.0	5.0	20
Cobalt (Co)	18 (90%)	0.6	8	-
Manganese (Mn)	18 (90%)	32	196	50
Aluminium (Al)	20 (100%)	61	376	200
Barium (Ba)	20 (100%)	250	1830	-
Calcium (Ca)	20 (100%)	7.5	34.3	-
Chromium (Cr)	20 (100%)	2.0	17.0	50
Magnesium (Mg)	20 (100%)	5.8	15.7	-
Potassium (K)	20 (100%)	5.5	8.3	-
Sodium (Na)	20 (100%)	54	72	200
Other				
Nitrate (mg/L)	20 (100%)	7.5	33	50
Fluoride (mg/L)	1 (5%)	<0.10	0.11	1.5
Hardness (mg/L)	20 (100%)	39	121	-

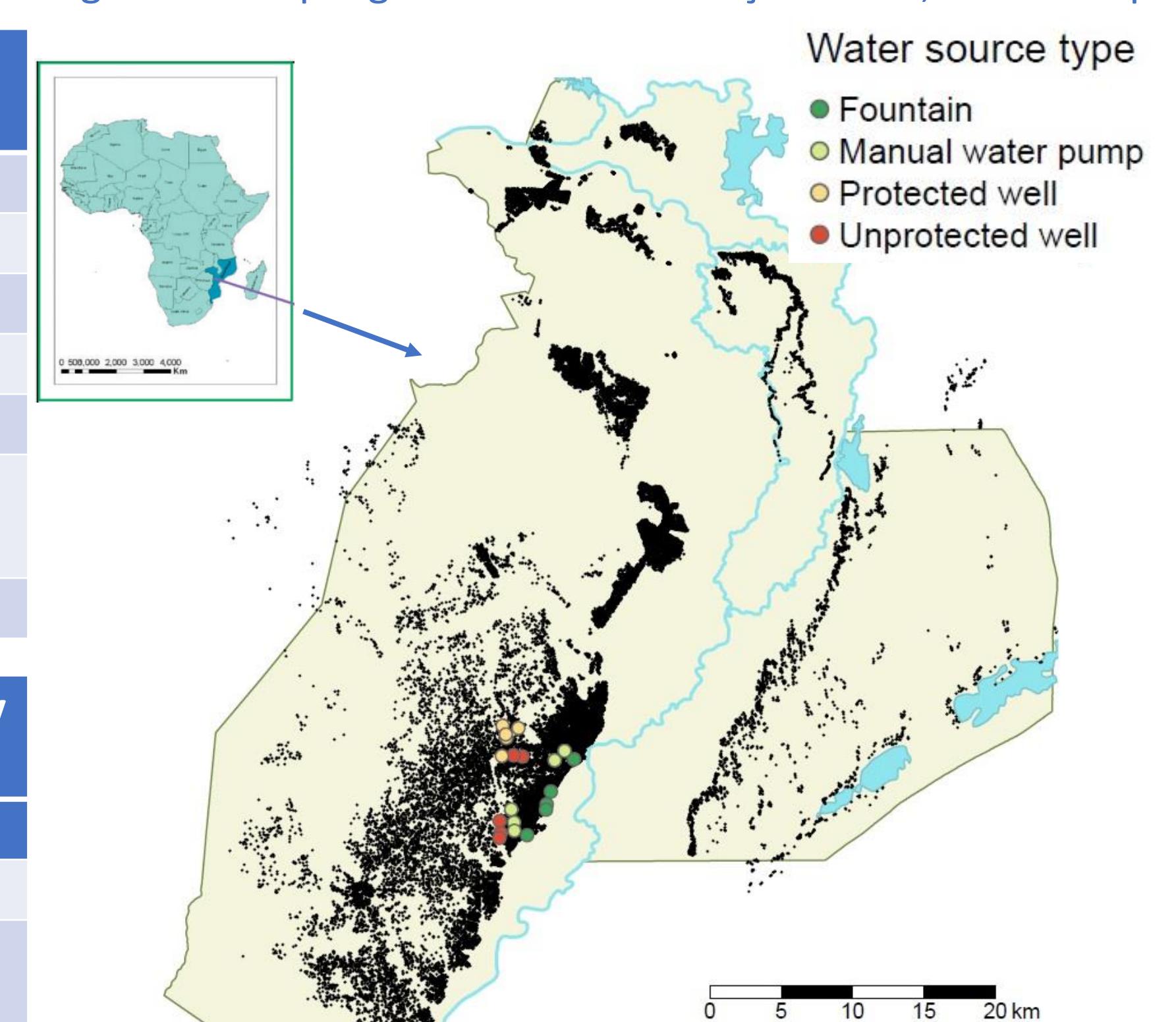
QL - quantification limit.

¹Council Directive 98/83/EC of 3 November 1998 on the quality of water intended for human consumption

Methods

- Drinking water samples collected in 20 locations (Fig 1).
- Chemicals analysed: nitrate, fluoride, 20 elements including metals, 84 pesticides (21 organochlorines, 26 organophosphates, 11 triazines, 9 phenoxy acids, 17 other), 19 disinfection by-products, and 2 industrial organochlorinated chemicals.
- In-vitro bioassays of mutagenicity, genotoxicity and endocrine disruption.

Figure 1. Sampling locations in Manhiça district, Mozambique.



Pesticide, ng/L	QL	N <QL, >DL	N>QL	Max	Regulatory limit EU ¹
Imidachloprid	20	3	0	(13)	100
Diuron	20	1	3	60	100
Dieldrin	10	0	3	44	100
op'-DDT	10	0	1	12	100
pp'-DDT	10	0	1	13	100
Pirimiphos methyl	25	1	1	29	100
Total				171	500

	N (%) >QL	Median	Max.	Regulatory limit EU ¹
Disinfection by-products (µg/l)				
Trihalomethanes				
Chloroform	5 (28%)	<0.4	0.4	
Dibromochloromethane	3 (17%)	<0.4	<0.4	100 ⁴
Bromoform	3 (17%)	<0.4	<0.4	
Haloacetic acids				
Dichloroacetic ac.	1 (5%)	<0.1	0.3	-
Bromoacetic ac.	2 (10%)	<0.1	0.2	-
Dibromoacetic ac.	4 (21%)	<0.05	3.8	-
Bromochloroac. ac.	3 (16%)	<0.1	0.18	-
Chlorethenes				
Trichloroethene	0 (0%)	<0.40	<0.40	
Tetrachloroethene	0 (0%)	<0.40	<0.40	10 ⁵

In vitro Assay	Endpoint	Results
Ames test TA98	Mutagenicity	Negative
Ames t. TA98 + S9	Mutagenicity	Negative
Ames t. TA100	Mutagenicity	Negative
Ames t. TA100 + S9	Mutagenicity	Negative
MN-FACS	Micronuclei, genotoxicity	Negative
ER-CALUX	Endocrine disruption, estrogenic	Negative
ER-CALUX + S9	Endocrine disruption, estrogenic	Negative
AntiAR-CALUX	Endocrine disruption, anti androgenic	Negative
AntiAR-CALUX S9	Endocrine disruption, anti androgenic	Negative

Discussion

- Representativeness of results? – Few samples, and type of water sources covered (not at homes),
- Pesticide analysis was partial. Pyrethroids and pesticides used in the sugar can industry not covered.

Efectividad de la vacuna antigripal en embarazadas para prevenir infección grave de gripe en niños menores de 6 meses en España, 2017-2019

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ANTECEDENTES Y OBJETIVO

- La vacunación antigripal se recomienda a mujeres embarazadas en cualquier trimestre, y en niños a partir de 6 meses de edad si existe algún factor de riesgo.
- Los niños menores de 6 meses pueden recibir protección a través de la vacunación materna durante el embarazo.

Objetivo: Estimar la efectividad de la vacuna antigripal durante el embarazo para prevenir casos graves hospitalizados confirmados de gripe en niños menores de 6 meses

RESULTADOS

Fig. 1. Diagrama de inclusión de casos

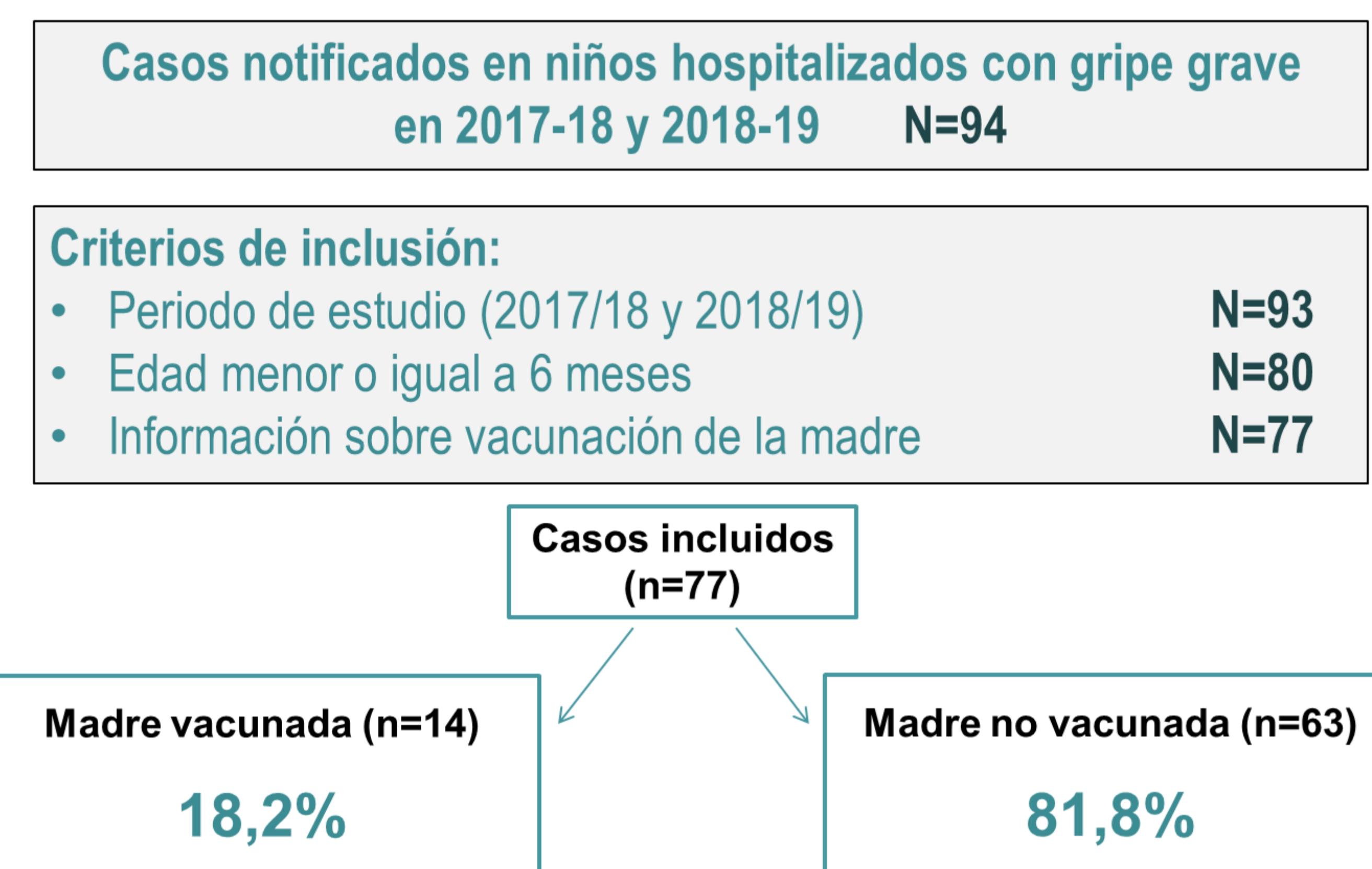
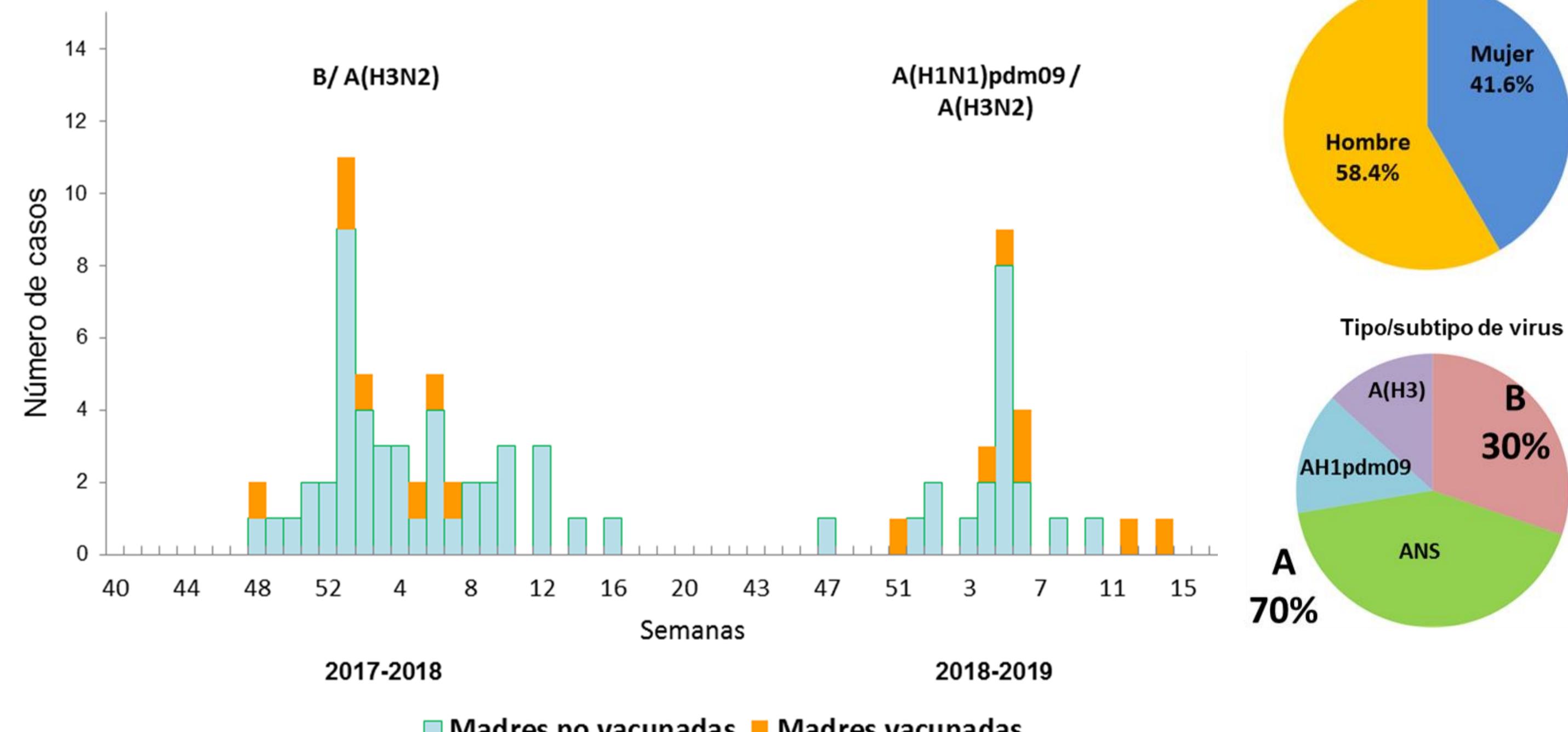


Fig. 3. Número semanal de casos en niños ≤6 meses hospitalizados con gripe confirmada y estado de vacunación de sus madres. España, temporadas 2017-18 y 2018-19



CONCLUSIONES

- La vacunación antigripal durante el embarazo es efectiva previniendo la hospitalización con infección grave de gripe en niños hasta 6 meses.
- Estos resultados refuerzan la recomendación de vacunación en embarazadas.
- Son necesarios más estudios en esta línea para contribuir a aumentar la cobertura de vacunación antigripal durante el embarazo, dado su doble efecto protector sobre la madre y el niño

MÉTODOS

- Diseño del estudio:** Estudio retrospectivo, usando datos de vigilancia de Casos Graves Hospitalizados Confirmados de Gripe (CGHCG) en España, en las temporadas 2017/18 y 2018/19.
- Estimación de la efectividad de la vacuna antigripal (EV):** Método de screening (ref Farrington)

$$\text{Logit}\{\text{PCV}\} = \text{Logit}\{\text{PPV}\} + a + b_1 x_{i1} + \dots + b_k x_{ik}$$

PCV: proporción de casos vacunados

PPV: proporción de población vacunada

Proporción de casos con madres vacunadas

Proporción de mujeres embarazadas vacunadas en España (Fuente: MSCBS)

Fig. 2. Comunidades Autónomas que participaron en el estudio



Tabla 1. Vacunación materna según características de los casos graves hospitalizados confirmados de gripe en niños de hasta 6 meses

	Total casos	Madre vacunada
Enfermedades crónicas		
No	57	7 (12%) *
Sí	15	6 (40%)
Complicaciones		
No	19	5 (26%)
Sí	51	8 (16%)
Admisión a UCI		
No	35	5 (14%)
Sí	42	9 (21%)
Defunción		
No	70	12 (17%)
Sí	2	1 (50%)
Tratamiento antiviral		
No	34	11 (32%) *
Sí	39	3 (8%)

Tabla 2. Efectividad de la vacuna antigripal en embarazadas para prevenir casos graves hospitalizados con gripe confirmada en niños ≤6 meses

	Casos vacunados	Casos totales	PCV (%)	PPV (%)	EV % (IC 95%)
2017/18	7	51	13,7	29,9	63 (18; 84)
2018/19	7	26	26,9	38,5	44 (-34; 77)
Total	14	77	18,2	34,2	56 (21; 75)



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Outbreak of brainstem encephalitis associated with enterovirus-A71 in Catalonia, Spain (2016): a clinical observational study in a children's reference centre in Catalonia

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Introduction and aims

Enteroviruses (EV) are small RNA viruses that infect > 95% of children before 5 y-old. Most of them, causing mild symptomatic infections. Between April and June 2016, an outbreak of EV infection affected more than 100 children mainly in Catalonia (Spain).

The purpose of this study was to describe and analyse the characteristics and clinical management of this outbreak of brainstem encephalitis and encephalomyelitis related to EV infection.

Patients and methods

Data were prospectively collected from all children with **clinical diagnosis of Brainstem Encephalitis (BE) or Encephalomyelitis (EM)** (WHO Guide to HFMD), **EV detection** in any sample and no other cause associated, admitted to a reference children's hospital in Catalonia (Spain) between April and June 2016.

Etiologic diagnosis: blood and CSF analysis, bacterial cultures, **PAN-EV real time-PCR** in plasma, CSF, nasopharyngeal aspirate and stools. RT-PCR for HSV was tested in CSF. **FilmArray-M/E** panel in the CSF of the first 20 patients. EV-positive samples were **genotyped** at the National Centre for Microbiology. **Brain and spine MRI**.

Results

52 patients with BE or EM → **44** with informed consent → **41 BE** and **3 EM**. Median age was **27.8 months** (p25-p75:19.1-37.3), 25/44 (56,8%) were males.

Non-NRL manifestations		NRL manifestations			
< 24 h	Total	< 24 h	Total		
Fever	44 (100%)	44 (100%)	Ataxia	7 (16%)	37 (84%)
Vomits	26 (59%)	31 (71%)	Lethargy	8 (18%)	34 (76%)
Enanthem	24 (55%)	26 (59%)	Tremor	5 (11%)	25 (57%)
Exanthema	12 (27%)	14 (32%)	Myoclonic jerks	4 (9%)	22 (50%)
URI	12 (27%)	12 (27%)	Irritability	7 (16%)	15 (34%)
Diahorrea	2 (5%)	5 (11%)	Meningeal signs	6 (14%)	11 (25%)
Bronchitis	1 (2%)	3 (7%)	CCPP alt.	2 (5%)	9 (20%)
• HFMD vesicular exanthema: 8 (18%).		Headache	6 (14%)	6 (14%)	
• Admitted in ICU: 8 cases (14%).		Paresia	0	3 (7%)	
		ANS dysfunction	0	2 (5%)	

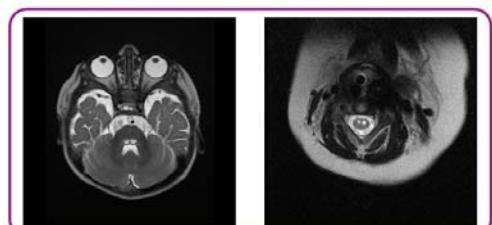
Virological findings:

- **EV detection:** stools 32/40 patients, nasopharyngeal aspirate 31/43 patients, CSF 5/40 patients, plasma 1/31 patients.



Brain and spine MRI:

- 41 MRI → 25 with typical alterations.
- 15 with bulbar involvement and 18 with medullar involvement.



Management:

- 33 patients (58%) received **IVIG** depending on the severity of the disease and 26 patients (46%) subsequently received **steroids**.
- All the most severe patients received treatment, so **no conclusions can be drawn** concerning its effectiveness.
- **No patients receiving IVIG ± steroids developed paresis/ANS dysfunction.**

Outcomes and variables associated with a more severe disease:

- All the patients but **3 with EM** had a **good clinical course** and had **no significant sequelae at day 30**. **No deaths occurred**.

Conclusions

- **EV-A71** was the only type found in all the patients with BE or EM. It affected children of around **2 year-old**.
- The new clinical manifestations (non-previously seen in EV infections in our setting) were caused by a **new German recombinant strain (2015)**.
- **Clinical and microbiological surveillance systems** provide valuable data to monitor the emergence of new EV subgenotypes/types .

PROMOCIÓN DE LA PRUEBA DE VIH Y OTRAS INFECCIONES DE TRANSMISIÓN SEXUAL EN HOMBRES QUE TIENEN SEXO CON HOMBRES A TRAVÉS DE APLICACIONES PARA MÓVILES

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Introducción

El diagnóstico tardío del VIH es una pérdida de oportunidad para el control de la epidemia. El diseño de nuevas estrategias que promuevan la realización de la prueba del VIH y de otras infecciones de transmisión sexual (ITS) representa un reto para los programas de prevención y control.

Metodología

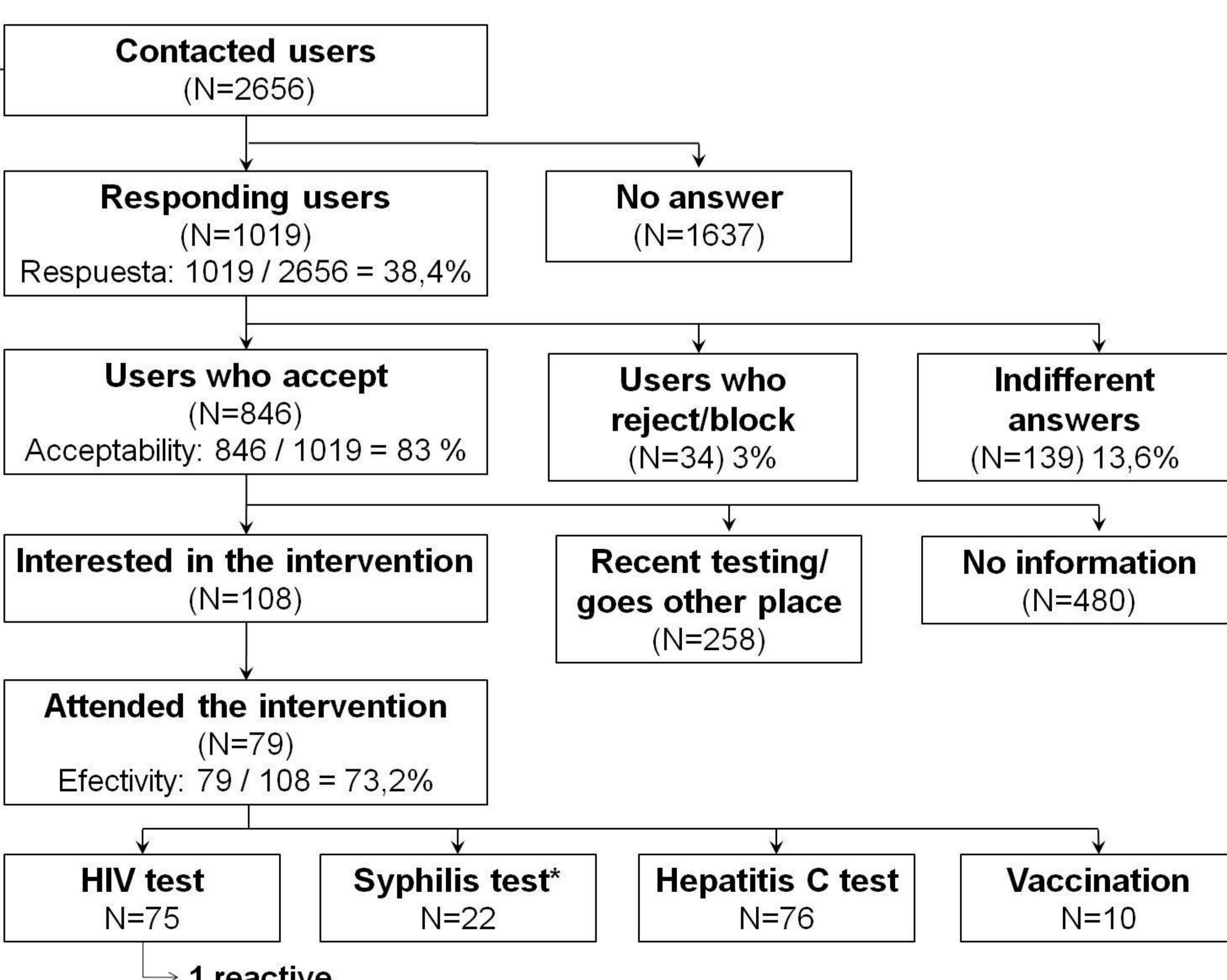
Mediante un mensaje a través de las Apps se ofrecieron las pruebas rápidas. Se recogió información sobre el perfil de los usuarios, así como características sociodemográficas, conductas sexuales y uso de apps. Se calculó la tasa de respuesta, la aceptabilidad y la efectividad del programa. Se realizó un análisis descriptivo de las características de los perfiles y de usuarios que se realizaron las pruebas, y se determinaron las variables asociadas a la respuesta mediante regresión logística.

Objetivo

Conocer la tasa de respuesta, aceptabilidad y efectividad de un programa piloto que ofrece la prueba rápida del VIH y otras ITS a través de aplicaciones móviles (Apps) para contactos sexo-sociales entre hombres que tienen sexo con hombres (HSH) en Barcelona, entre diciembre 2015 y marzo 2016.

Resultados

Se enviaron 2656 mensajes. La tasa de respuesta fue del 38,4%, la aceptabilidad del 83% y la efectividad del 73,2%. De los 77 encuestados un 45,5% se había realizado la prueba del VIH hacía más de un año. El 24,7% reportó alguna ITS anterior, hubo penetración anal sin condón en el 51,4% y el 52% utilizaba alcohol y otras drogas para el sexo.



Conclusiones

La elevada respuesta, aceptabilidad y efectividad de esta estrategia la hace una herramienta útil para la promoción de las pruebas rápidas de VIH y otras ITS en HSH. El programa alcanza a usuarios de Apps con una alta proporción de prácticas sexuales de riesgo, consumo de drogas y que no se habían realizado las pruebas del VIH en el tiempo recomendado.

Temporal evolution of lymphogranuloma venereum cases in Madrid during 7 years

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Background

The current lymphogranuloma venereum (LGV) epidemic in Europe began 15 years ago, but the epidemic situation is far from being controlled. The last ECDC report suggested that four countries, including Spain, are responsible for 86% of all European cases. Between 2003-2009, the LGV cases were related to L2b variant, but from 2009, in Spain and other European countries, a co-circulation of two variants (L2b and L2) was described. The aims of this study were to analyze the temporal evolution of LGV epidemic in Spain.

Materials/methods

During the 2012-2018 period, all clinical samples in which *C. trachomatis* (CT) DNA was detected, were subsequently genotyped for detecting the presence of LGV based on a *pmpH* internal deletion. The *ompA* and *pmpH* genes were sequenced in those positive samples for LGV genotypes. Finally, a phylogenetic analysis using PhyML 3.0 allowed us to infer potential transmission nodes. In those patients where LGV genotypes were detected, other sexually transmitted infections were also screened.

Results

- The LGV cases were increasing 25% every year of the study, until to reach 4-fold more number of cases in 2018 compared to 2012 (**Figure 1**). Moreover, the proportion LGV-positive/CT-positive evolved from 10.6% to 18% (**Figure 2**).
- During this period, the percentage of HIV+/LGV+ was constant (74% vs 76%), but practically all patients had undetectable viral load in 2018 compared to patients in 2012 (20%). We did not observe a global increasing in the percentages of concomitant STIs (~50%); while the number of cases of HCV and syphilis decreased significantly, gonococcal infection increased (15% to 25%).
- The phylogenetic analysis of *pmpH* and *ompA* sequences (442 samples) revealed the sequential appearance of up to four transmission related to L2b (*L2b sensu-stricto*, L2 and SPA112 and nSPA). The dynamic of partial replacement among these variants is also described) (**Figures 3 and 4**).

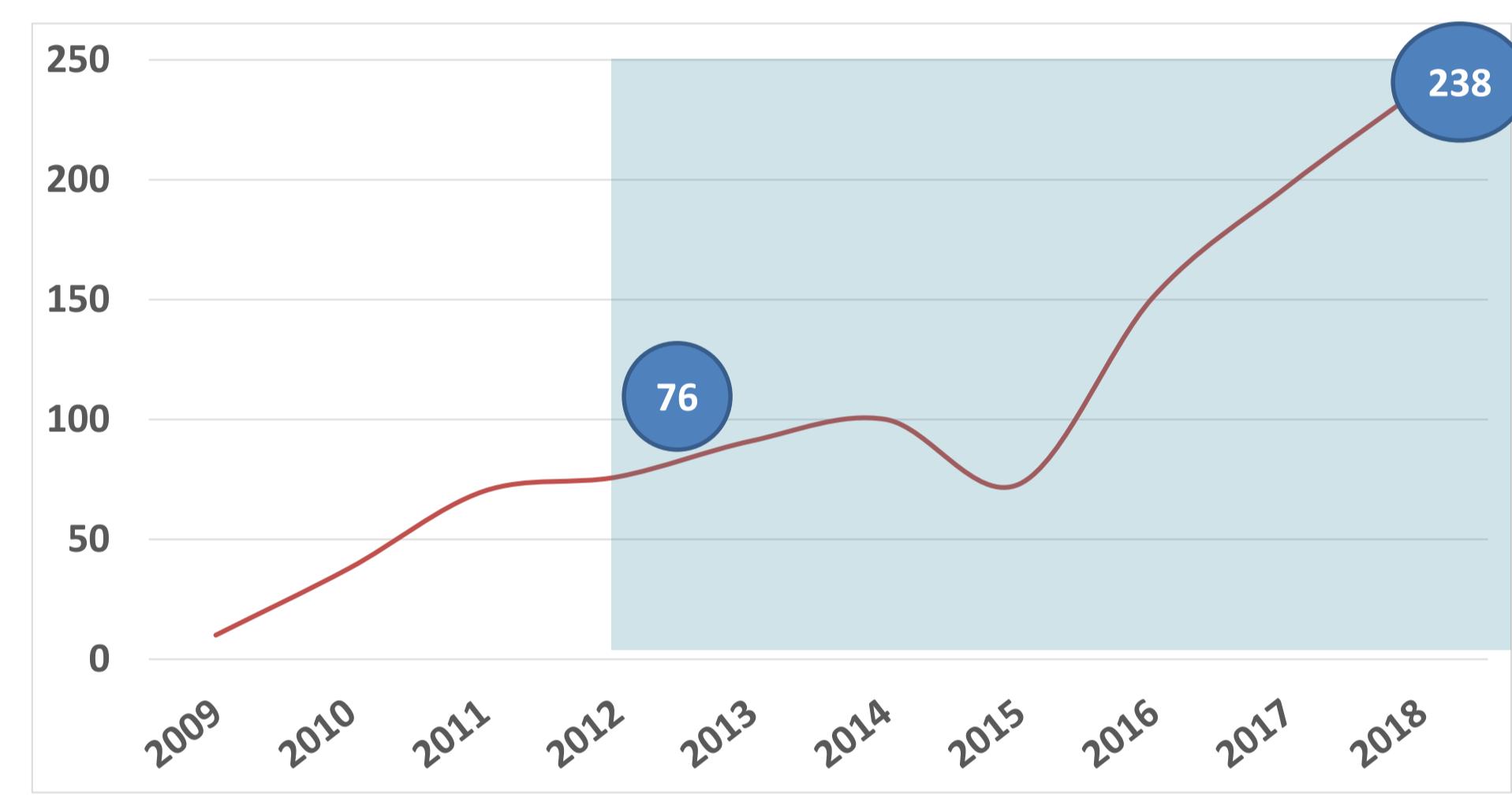


Figure 1: Number of LGV cases (2009-2018)

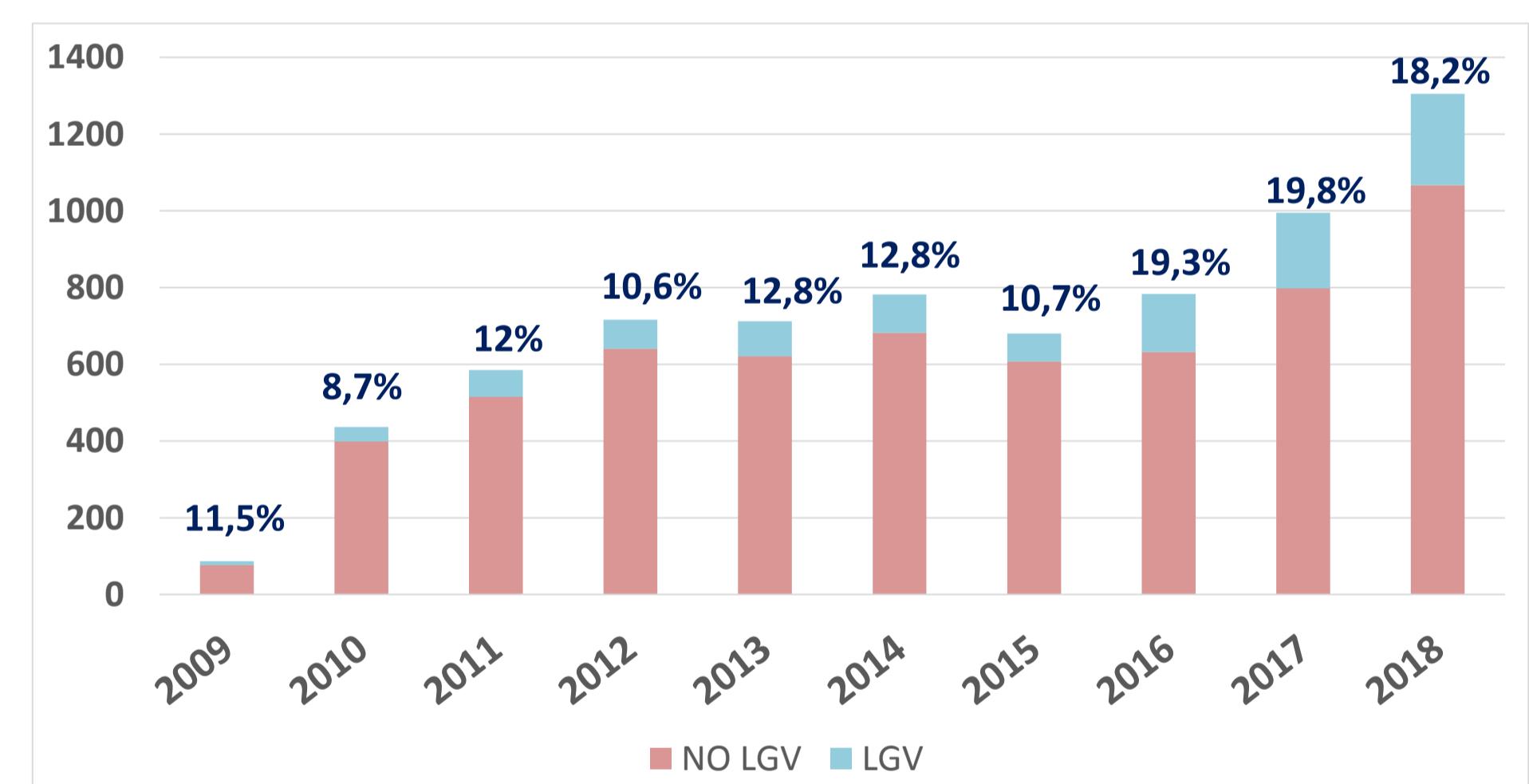


Figure 2: Proportion of LGV and non-LGV cases in 2009-2018 period

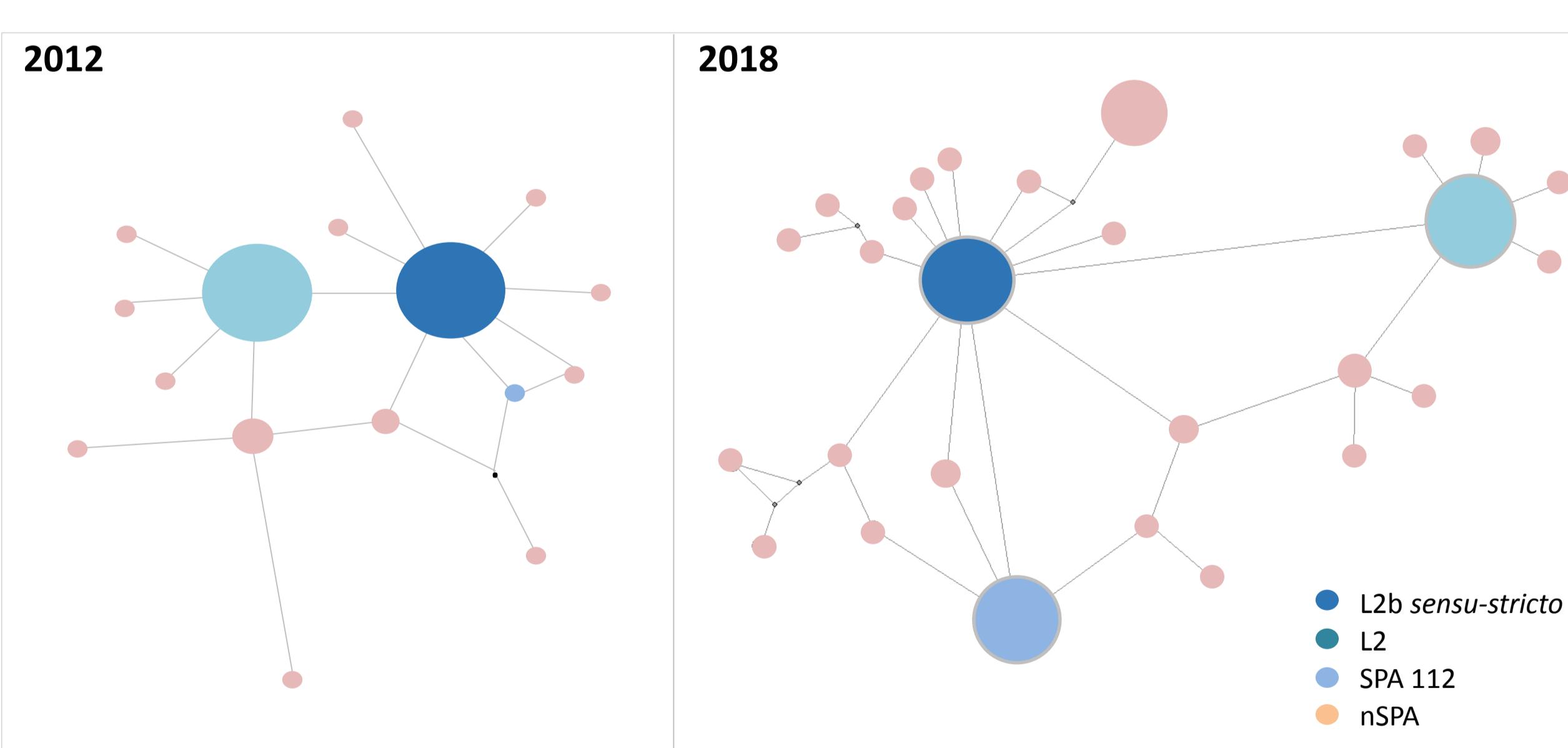


Figure 3: Network of *OmpA* sequences (2012 and 2018)

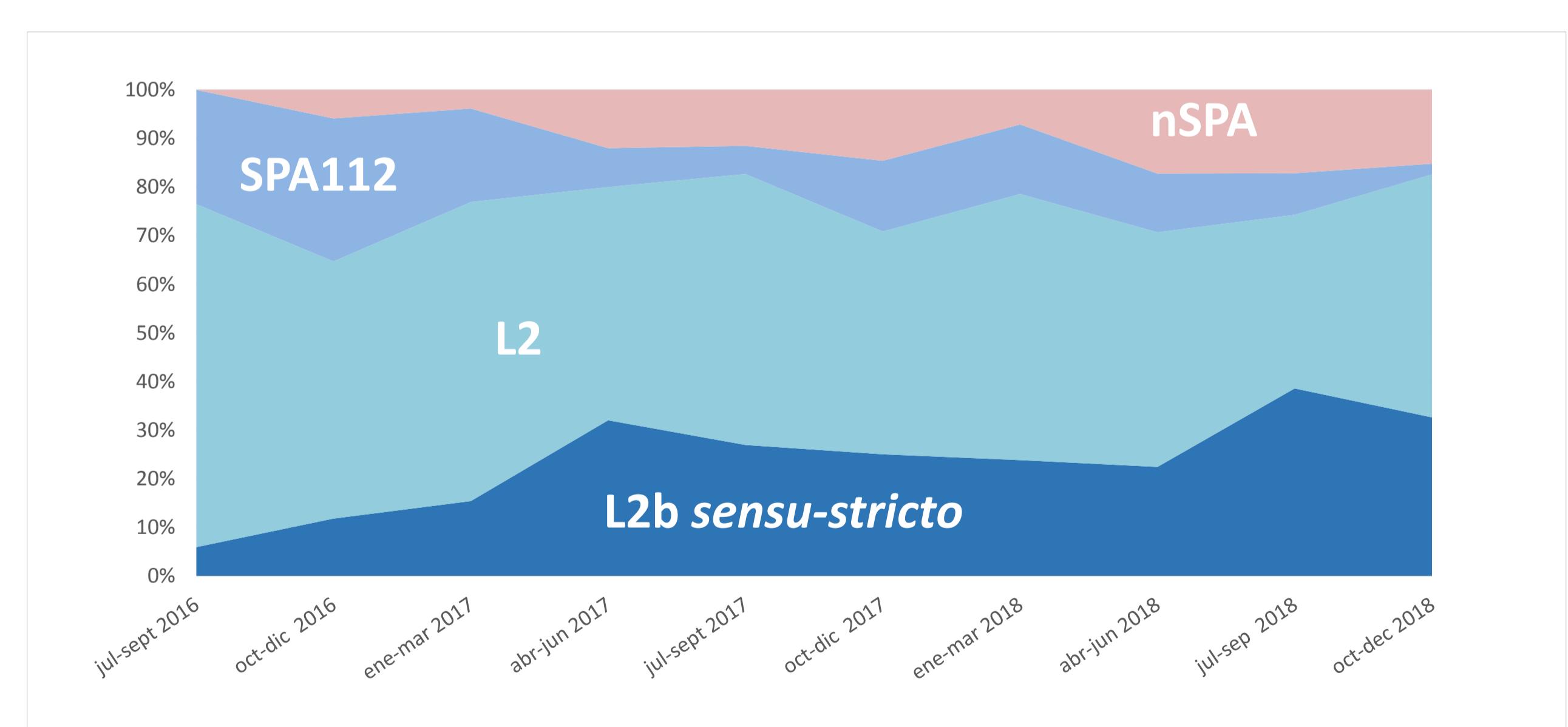


Figure 4: Temporal evolution of each LGV variant during the last period (2016-2018)

Conclusions

- The Spanish epidemiological situation now seems more complex due to an increase in the number of cases but also because of the spreading of new variants.
- These data suggest that it will be increasingly difficult to eradicate LGV infections in the population.

Inconsistencies between HCV testing coverage and seroprevalence in primary care, Catalonia 2011-2016

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Objectives

In an era of effective, safe, all-oral HCV medications, it is not adequate to have less than half of newly identified, chronically infected patients referred for HCV specialized care. Therefore, the purpose of this study was:

1). To gain insights into (primary care provider) PCP HCV testing coverage and the prevalence of anti-HCV in Catalonia, from 2011 to 2016, by examining their epidemiological characteristics and their geographic distribution and coincidence over time.

2). The secondary objectives were to identify the undiagnosed rate and to determine the socio-demographic factors related to anti-HCV diagnosis and undiagnosed.

Methods

Population 274 PCP centres (3,414 GPs) → (SIDIAP) → anonymized data.

Definitions:

- HCV testing coverage** was defined as the percentage distribution of women and men eligible for HCV testing, who were tested during the study period. The denominator used was the number of women and men assigned to ABS.
- Positive HCV test** was defined as the first positive anti-HCV assay recorded in the medical history, based on all HCV testing codes employed by the laboratory database.
- HCV uninfected or negative** was defined as those without these positive tests, those who did not have a valid serum sample or with an intermediate test result.
- HCV diagnosed** was defined as those with a positive anti-HCV and with an assigned diagnosis.
- Denominators:** Number of assigned people to a PCP per year and per period.

Mapping: 6-year maps (2011-2016) → ABS were aggregated in provinences using QGIS.

Cluster Detection: Geographic clusters of significantly elevated HCV testing coverage and prevalence of HCV seroprevalence were identified using SaTScan. We ran a retrospective space discrete Poisson model to scan for areas with high testing coverage and seroprevalence, the mean RR of each cluster (including one or more ABS) was also computed.

Statistical analysis: In order to determine the probability to have an positive anti-HCV diagnosis and be undiagnosed it was used the log-binomial model – a generalized linear model where the link function is the logarithm of the proportion of socio-demographic factors related to positive anti-HCV and be undiagnosed by year, adjusted by sex, age category, region of origin and DI. Results obtained using R.

Results

Table 1. Rate of HCV testing coverage in primary care per 1,000 population assigned to the basic health area, by year, sex, age category, region of origin and deprivation index, Catalonia - Spain, 2011-2016.

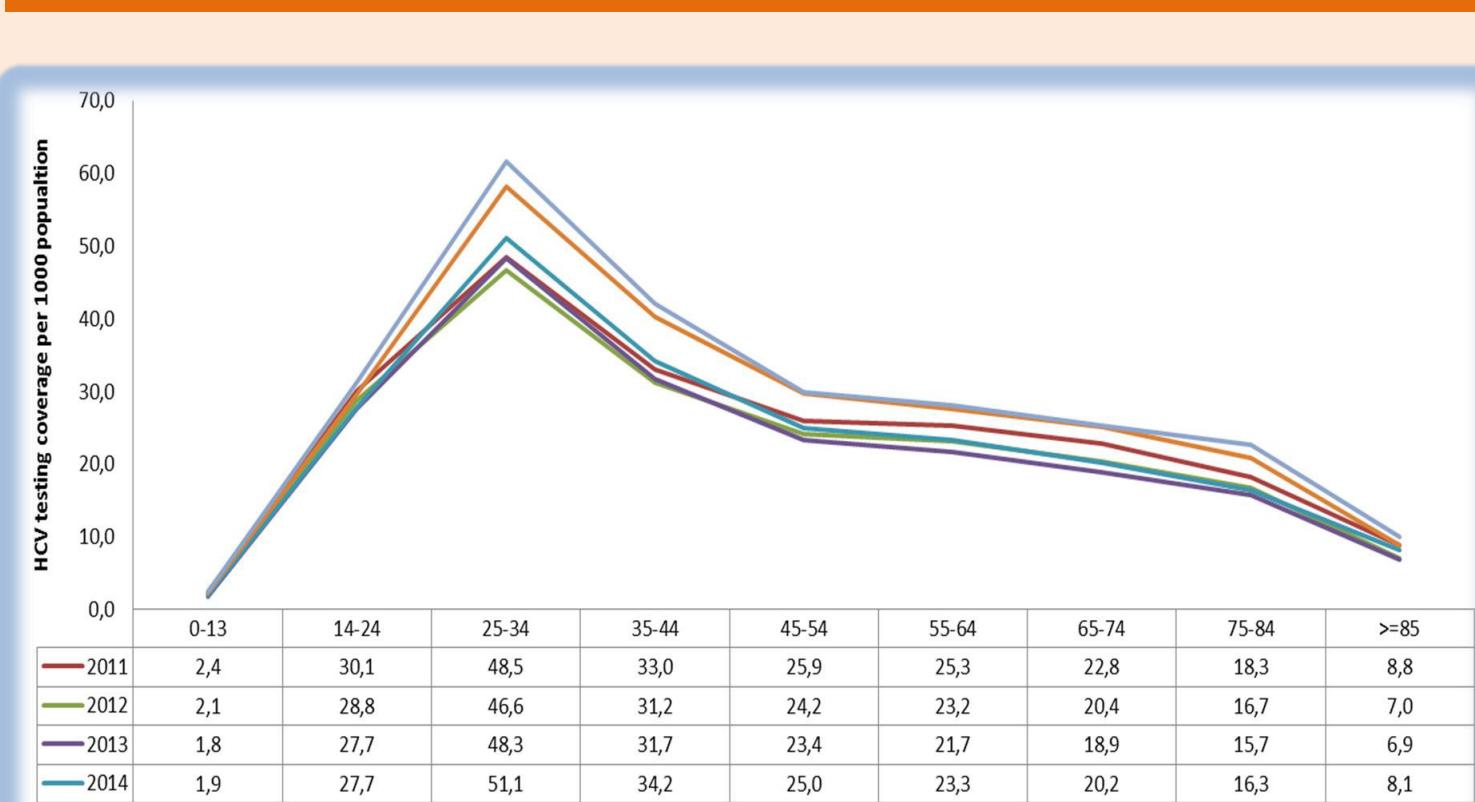
		2011-2016 Period Rate (CI 95%)	
Sex		Men	Women
Men		113.97 (113.63, 114.32)	
Women		142.36 (91.41, 99.142.74)	
Age category			
0-13		10.37 (10.15, 10.59)	
14-24		146.94 (146.04, 147.84)	
25-34		284.11 (283.10, 285.12)	
35-44		194.84 (194.08, 195.61)	
45-54		143.00 (142.25, 143.74)	
55-64		136.37 (135.54, 137.20)	
65-74		118.34 (117.47, 119.21)	
75-84		103.33 (102.35, 104.31)	
>=85		48.07 (47.22, 48.92)	
Region of Origin			
Spain		128.86 (128.49, 129.23)	
Europe and North America		134.19 (132.93, 135.45)	
Africa		208.60 (206.92, 210.29)	
Asia		108.48 (107.34, 109.63)	
Latin America and The Caribbean		304.10 (301.77, 306.43)	
Unknown		111.10 (110.81, 111.60)	
Deprivation index			
Rural		99.15 (98.61, 99.69)	
Urban 1		120.29 (119.84, 120.74)	
Urban 2		134.14 (133.47, 134.82)	
Urban 3		154.11 (153.60, 154.61)	
Total		128.26 (128.01, 128.52)	

Urban 1 (urban area with none material deprivation), Urban 2 (urban area with low material deprivation) and Urban 3 (urban area with high material deprivation).

Table 2. Seroprevalence of HCV in primary care per 1,000 population assigned to the basic health area, by year and entire study period, by sex, age category, region of origin and deprivation index, Catalonia - Spain, 2011-2016.

		2011-2016 Period Seroprevalence (CI 95%)	
Sex		Men	Women
Men		3.74 (3.67, 3.80)	2.74 (2.68, 2.80)
Women		2.74 (2.65, 2.80)	
Age category			
0-13		0.14 (0.11, 0.16)	
14-24		0.66 (0.59, 0.72)	
25-34		2.08 (1.97, 2.18)	
35-44		7.19 (7.01, 7.37)	
45-54		4.36 (4.20, 4.52)	
55-64		5.11 (4.91, 5.30)	
65-74		7.26 (6.99, 7.53)	
75-84		3.02 (2.81, 3.24)	
>=85			
Region of Origin			
Spain		3.40 (3.33, 3.46)	
Europe and North America		1.75 (1.58, 1.92)	
Africa		4.08 (3.74, 4.20)	
Asia		1.44 (1.32, 1.64)	
Latin America and The Caribbean		3.05 (2.98, 3.12)	
Unknown			
Deprivation index			
Rural		4.65 (4.55, 4.77)	
Urban 1		1.53 (1.48, 1.58)	
Urban 2		8.03 (7.88, 8.19)	
Urban 3		1.65 (1.58, 1.71)	
Total		3.23 (3.19, 3.28)	

Figure 1. Over-time trend of HCV testing coverage according to age category in Primary Care, Catalonia-Spain, 2011-2016



Between 2011-2016 there were **839,072** people tested for HCV infection, **21156** anti-HCV tests were identified as the first positive test, and **22356** anti-HCV were performed in people who already were identified as a seroprevalent, the average of repeated tests performed in one person was of **13.5** (min-max; 2-25). The period rate of HCV testing coverage was of **128.26/10³ pop (95% CI; 128.01-128.52)**

Figure 3. Geographic clusters of significantly elevated HCV testing coverage Catalonia-Spain, 2011-2016.

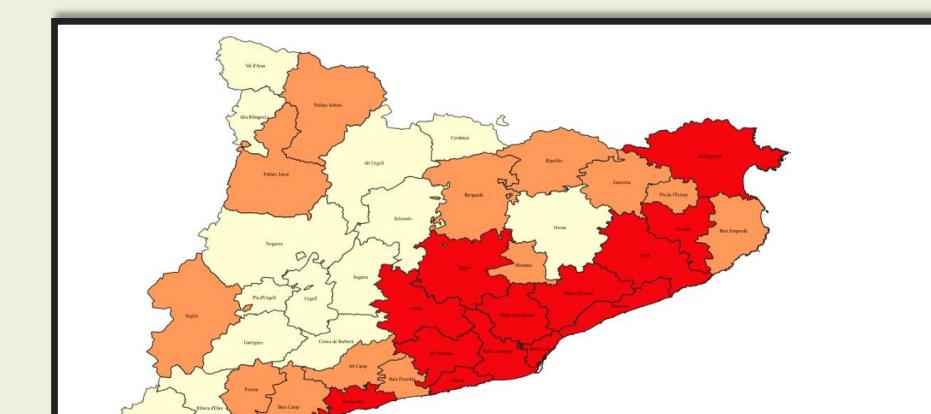


Figure 4. Geographic clusters of significantly elevated HCV seroprevalence Catalonia-Spain, 2011-2016.

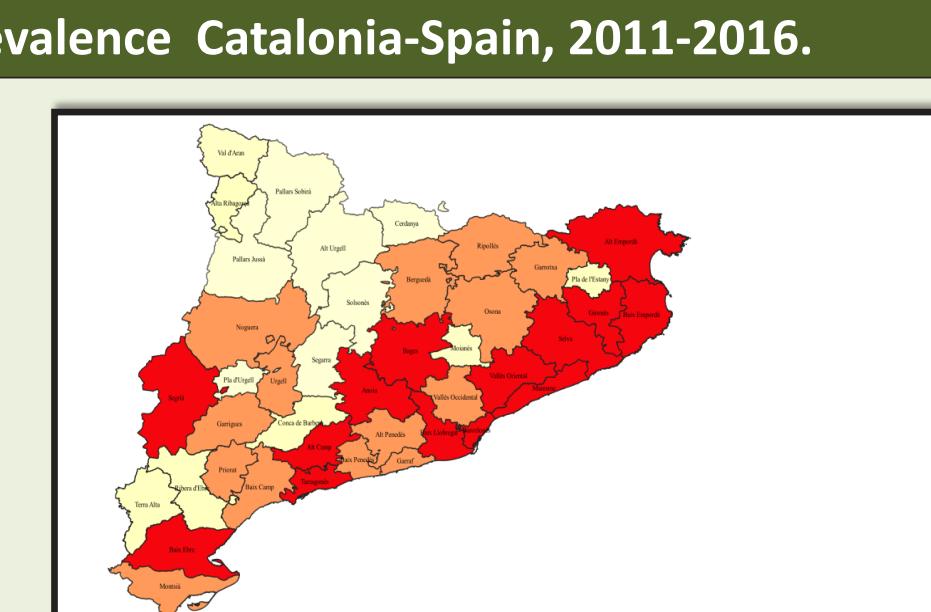


Figure 2. Over-time trend of HCV testing coverage according to age category in Primary Care, Catalonia-Spain, 2011-2016 2a. Total 2b. Men 2c Women

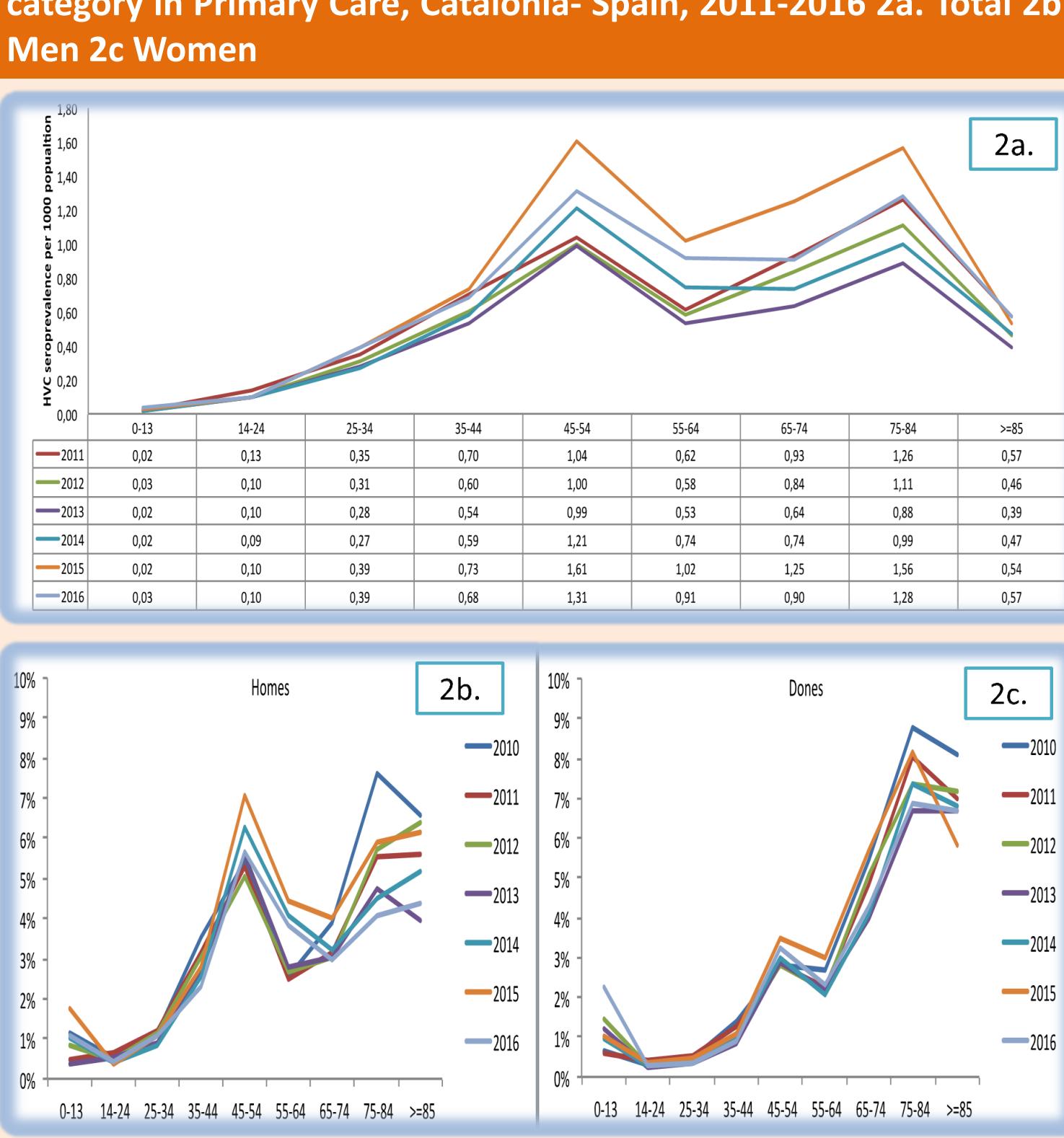
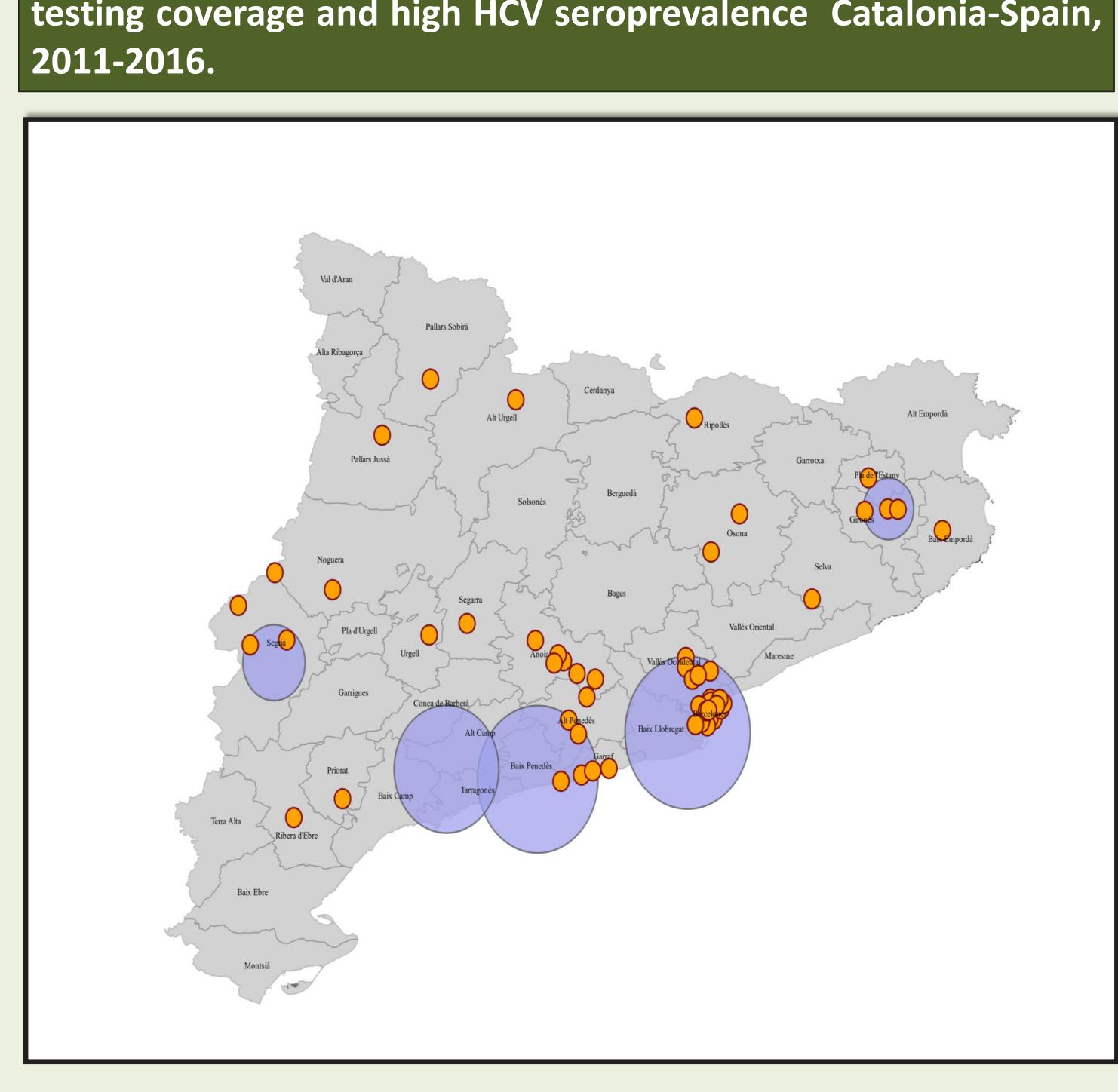


Figure 5. Geographic clusters of significantly elevated HCV testing coverage and high HCV seroprevalence Catalonia-Spain, 2011-2016.



Conclusions

- HCV testing coverage was found higher among women, between 25-34 years old and from Latin America, whereas, seroprevalence was higher among men, between 45 and 54 years and over 75 years of age, and from Spain, Northern Europe and Asia. This means that we found a discrepancy between the population tested and the HCV seroprevalent population.
- Determinants of being Anti-HCV positive were being male, between 45 and 54 years and older than 75 years and Asian.
- One of the striking finding was that **49.8%** of people with **positive anti-HCV** did not have an associated diagnosis, and its determinants were being male, between 25 and 54 years of age and from Asia.
- We also found a geographic discrepancy between testing coverage and HCV seroprevalence.

Sweetie project: prevalence and determinants of sexually transmitted infections in a high risk population

Proyecto Sweetie: prevalencia y determinantes de infecciones de transmisión sexual en una población de alto riesgo

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Antecedentes y objetivos

Los hombres *cisgénero* y mujeres transgénero trabajadores sexuales (HTS y TTS, respectivamente) son poblaciones de difícil acceso en programas de prevención y detección de infecciones de transmisión sexual (ITS).

Los objetivos del estudio son describir la prevalencia y determinantes de ITS (Virus del Papiloma Humano-HPV, *Chlamydia trachomatis*-CT, *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*-NG, Virus de la hepatitis B y C-VHB/C) en población de HTS y TTS, de Barcelona y área metropolitana.

Materiales y métodos

- Estudio tranversal
- Criterios inclusión: ≥ 18 años, ejercer trabajo sexual, firmar consentimiento informado
- Periodo reclutamiento: 2017-2018
- Recogida de datos:
 - Epidemiológicos
 - Muestras biológicas: oral, faringe, anal, perianal, pene, orina, sangre
- Análisis moleculares:
 - VPH: ADN-Anyplex II HPV28
 - CT/NG: ADN-BD Max CT/NG
 - VHB/C: Anticuerpos-Vitros, ARN-Abbott

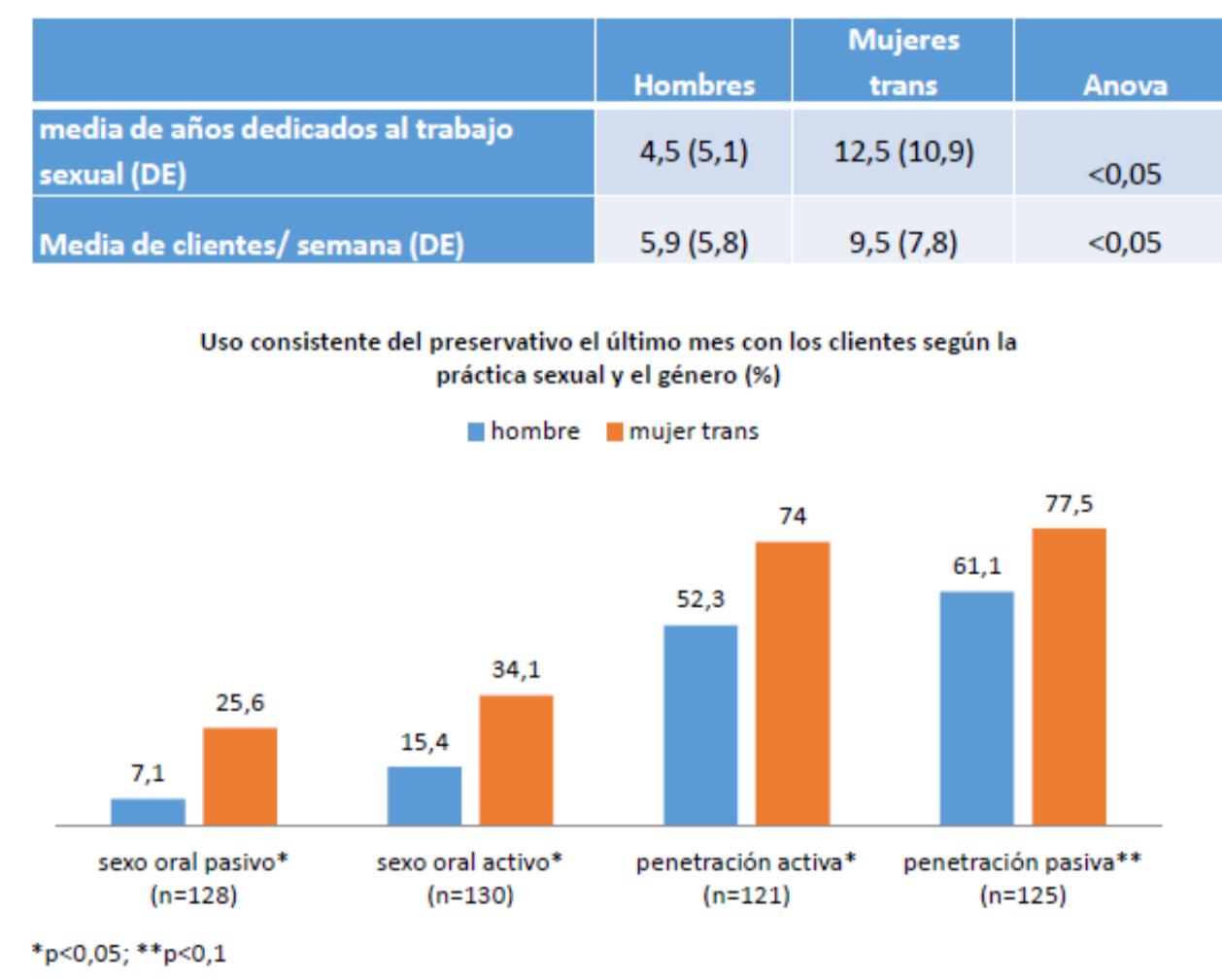
Resultados

Descripción del perfil sociodemográfico y conductual de los/las participantes

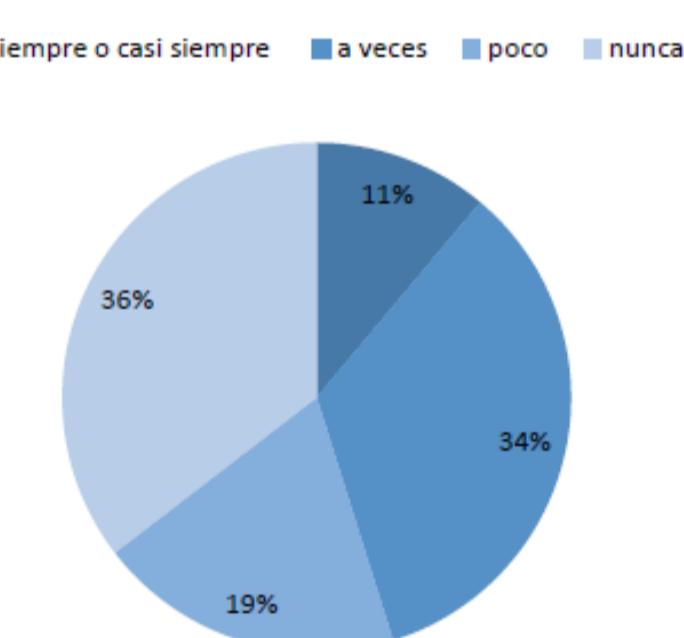
	Hombres (n=47)	Mujeres trans (n=100)	p-valor
edad media (Desviación Estándard, DE)	33 (8,1)	36 (10)	(Anova) <0,1
Nivel educativo (%)			<0,05
primario	2,1	21,7	
secundario	61,7	68,5	
universitario completo	21,3	1,1	
universitario incompleto	14,9	8,7	
Origen (%)			<0,1
España	14,9	6	
Otro	85,1	94	

9% de los/las participantes iniciaron las relaciones sexuales antes de los 10 años

Trabajo sexual y conducta sexual con los clientes



Frecuencia de consumo de drogas recreativas de los/las participantes antes o durante las relaciones con un cliente el último mes (N=144)

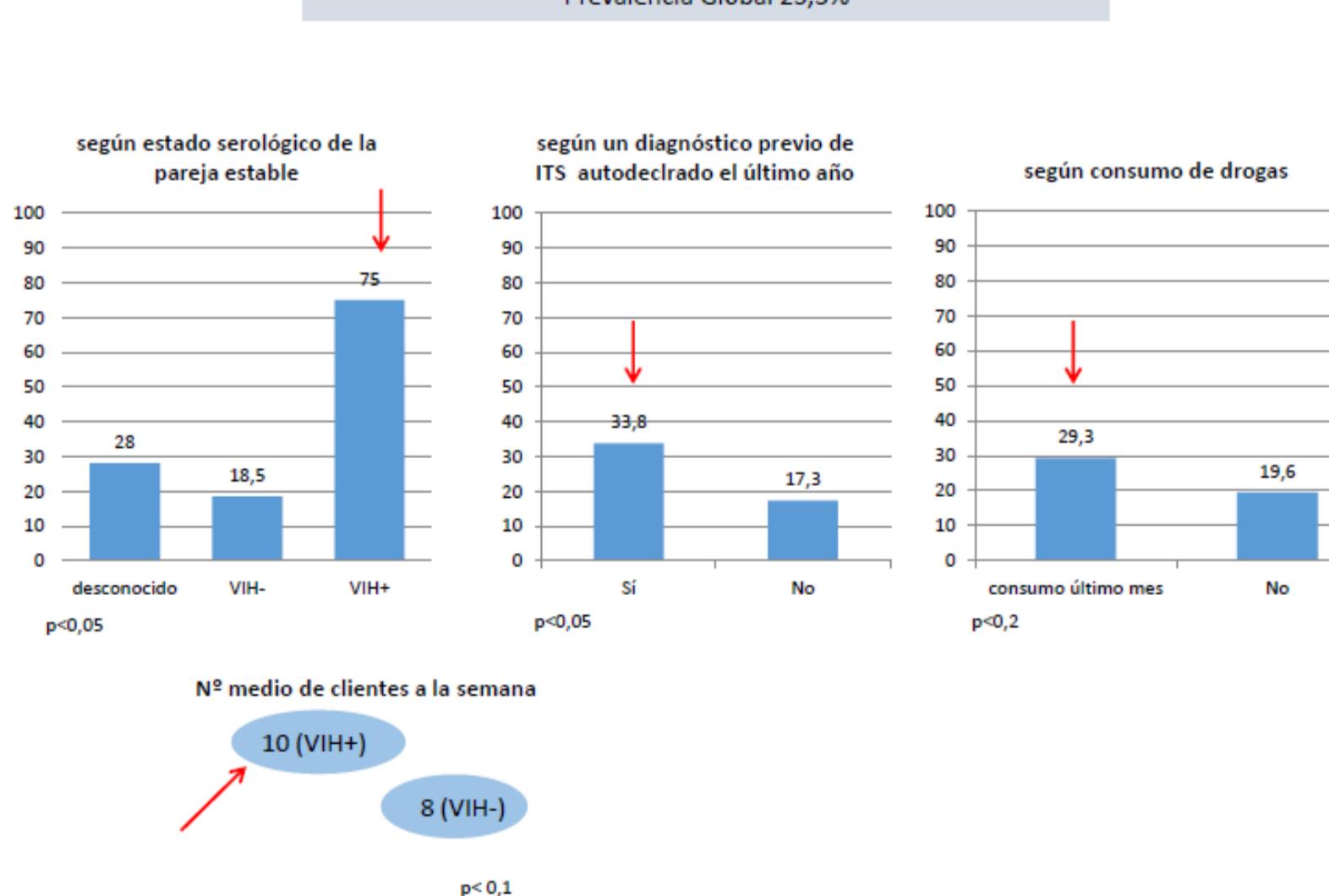


2,8% de los/las participantes se han inyectado drogas

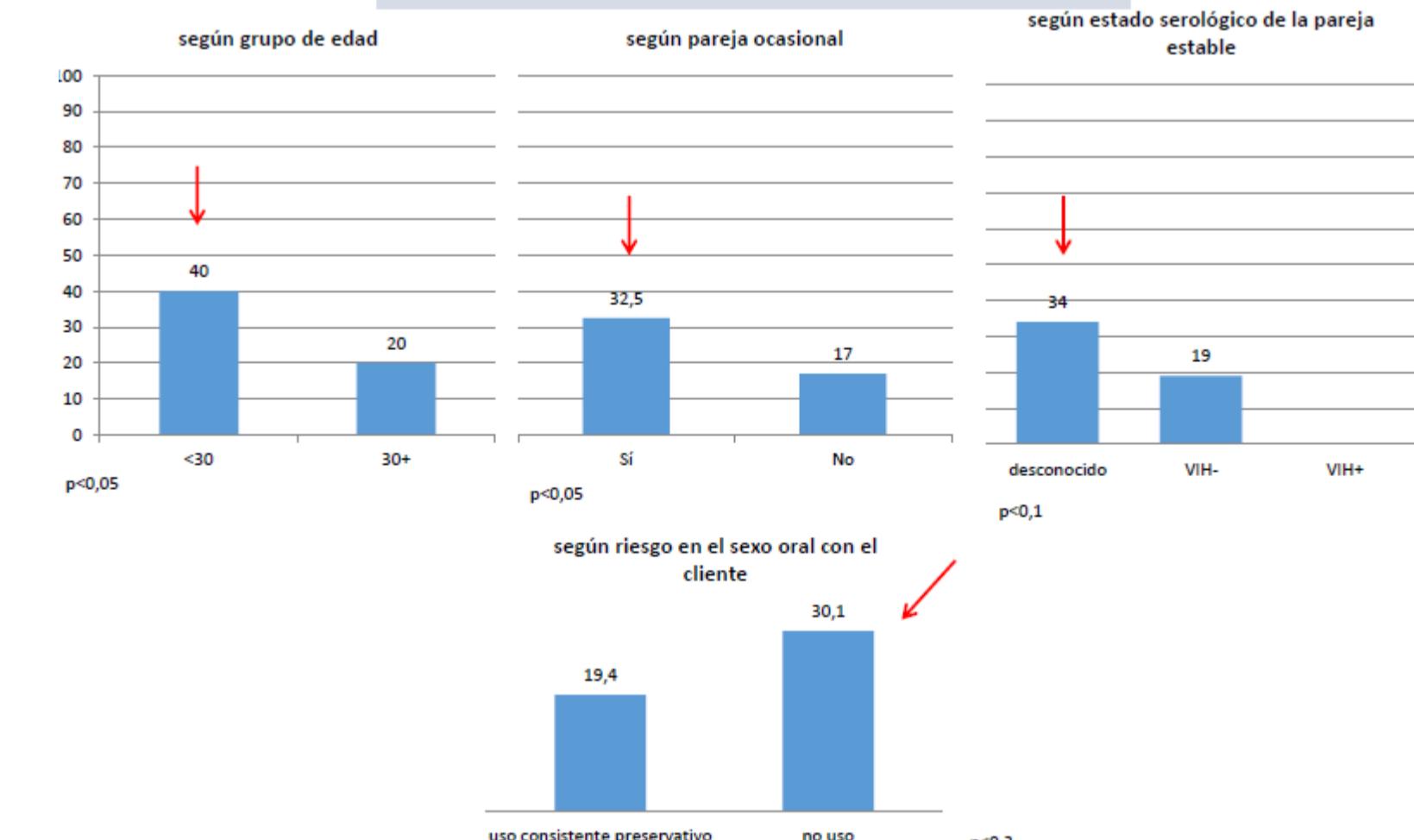
Prevalencia de VIH e ITS

	Hombre (n=47)	Mujer trans (n=100)	Total (n=147)	p-valor
VIH	25,5	25,3	ns	
CT	10,6	10,1	ns	
orina	6,4	0	2	0,01
faringe	0	7	4,8	0,1
anal	6,4	4	4,8	0,7
NG	19,1	19,2	ns	
orina	0	0,1	0,7	1,0
faringe	14,9	14	14,3	0,9
anal	12,8	8,1	9,6	0,6
VPH	93,3	95,9	95,1	ns
orina	22,5	10	13,8	0,06
oral	15,6	16,1	15,9	0,9
anal	82,6	91,8	88,8	0,1
pene	47,8	38,1	40,7	0,4
perianal	94,4	92,1	92,9	0,4
	Hombre (n=39)	Mujer trans (n=84)	Total (n=123)	p-valor
VHC activa	0	0	0	ns
VHC exposición previa	5,1	1,2	2,4	0,3
VHB activa	0	1,2	0,8	ns
VHB exposición previa	28,2	36,9	34,1	0,3

Prevalencia del VIH según variables epidemiológicas



Prevalencia de ITS bacterianas según variables epidemiológicas



Conclusiones

- Los HTS y TTS presentan elevadas prevalencias de VIH/ITS y de exposición de riesgo
- Existen diferencias entre algunos determinantes socio-económicos, y las condiciones y prácticas sexuales entre HTS y TTS
- El proyecto ha visibilizado a los HTS y TTS en nuestro contexto
- La colaboración entre centros de investigación y centros comunitarios ha hecho posible la implementación del estudio y podernos acercar a estas poblaciones clave

Assessing the role of dietary patterns in the etiology of lymphoid neoplasms

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Background

Previous studies examining the association between diet and lymphoid neoplasms have focused on nutrients or single-food items, yielding inconclusive results.

Objective

This study aimed to evaluate the association between several dietary patterns and lymphoid malignancies, using data from the European prospective investigation into cancer and nutrition (EPIC) and the multicase-control Spanish (MCC-Spain) studies.

Methods

- EPIC study:** 476,160 subjects and 3136 lymphoma cases (after 13.9 average follow-up).
- MCC-Spain study:** 369 chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL) cases and 1,605 controls.
- The adapted relative Mediterranean diet index (arMED), ii) the inflammatory score of diet (ISD), iii) a Western, Prudent, and Mediterranean *a posteriori* dietary patterns, and iv) the 2018 World Cancer Research Fund/American Institute for Cancer Research (WCRF/AICR) score were reconstructed in the EPIC (i., ii., and iii.– only Western) and MCC-Spain (iii. and iv.) studies.

Results

- EPIC study -

Table 1. Association between adherence to the arMED, the ISD, and a Western dietary pattern and risk of lymphoma and its subtypes in the EPIC study.

	Lymphoma		HL		NHL		Mature T/NK-cell		Mature B-cell	
	N	HR ¹ (95% CI)	N	HR ¹ (95% CI)	N	HR ¹ (95% CI)	N	HR ¹ (95% CI)	N	Ref
arMED										
Low	1,016	Ref	39	Ref	835	Ref	47	Ref	766	Ref
Medium	1,371	0.93 (0.85; 1.02)	65	0.97 (0.61; 1.53)	1,128	0.90 (0.82; 1.00)	54	0.72 (0.47; 1.14)	1,043	0.91 (0.82; 1.01)
High	749	0.91 (0.80; 1.03)	31	0.64 (0.34; 1.19)	643	0.94 (0.82; 1.08)	29	0.78 (0.42; 1.44)	593	0.95 (0.82; 1.10)
P-trend ²		0.12		0.16		0.31		0.35		0.4
1-unit increase		0.98 (0.97; 1.00)		0.93 (0.86; 1.01)		0.98 (0.97; 1.00)		0.99 (0.91; 1.07)		0.98 (0.97; 1.00)
ISD										
Q1	784	Ref	25	Ref	658	Ref	34	Ref	603	Ref
Q2	783	1.01 (0.91; 1.13)	35	1.48 (0.86; 2.57)	659	1.03 (0.91; 1.15)	35	0.86 (0.51; 1.43)	608	1.05 (0.93; 1.19)
Q3	786	1.04 (0.92; 1.16)	35	1.60 (0.88; 2.90)	647	1.04 (0.92; 1.19)	31	0.70 (0.39; 1.25)	596	1.08 (0.94; 1.23)
Q4	783	1.07 (0.93; 1.22)	40	1.90 (0.97; 3.71)	642	1.10 (0.94; 1.27)	30	0.61 (0.31; 1.19)	595	1.15 (0.99; 1.35)
P-trend ²		0.34		0.08		0.24		0.12		0.08
1-SD increase		1.05 (1.00; 1.11)		1.22 (0.94; 1.57)		1.06 (1.00; 1.13)		0.99 (0.76; 1.29)		1.07 (1.01; 1.14)
Western										
Q1	781	Ref	26	Ref	660	Ref	41	Ref	604	Ref
Q2	818	1.06 (0.96; 1.18)	39	1.51 (0.91; 2.50)	672	1.03 (0.93; 1.15)	25	0.62 (0.38; 1.03)	621	1.05 (0.93; 1.17)
Q3	724	0.96 (0.86; 1.06)	30	1.19 (0.68; 2.06)	599	0.93 (0.83; 1.05)	35	0.84 (0.52; 1.35)	547	0.94 (0.83; 1.06)
Q4	813	1.03 (0.92; 1.16)	40	1.49 (0.84; 2.63)	675	1.01 (0.90; 1.15)	29	0.66 (0.38; 1.14)	630	1.05 (0.92; 1.19)
P-trend ²		0.948		0.318		0.771		0.237		0.907
1-SD increase		1.02 (0.98; 1.06)		1.02 (0.86; 1.21)		1.02 (0.98; 1.07)		0.89 (0.72; 1.11)		1.04 (0.99; 1.08)

N, number of cases; HR, hazard ratio; CI, confidence interval; SD, standard deviation; Q, quartile; HL, Hodgkin lymphoma; NHL, non-Hodgkin lymphoma; ¹Multivariate model: Cox proportional hazard model stratified by age (in 1-year categories), center and sex, and further adjusted for body mass index, total energy intake, educational level, height, physical activity, smoking status, and alcohol intake. ²P value of Cox proportional model fitted with the dietary pattern ordinal variable as continuous to test for lineal trend.

For the three dietary patterns, null associations were reported for all mature B-cell subtypes: diffuse large B-cell lymphoma, follicular lymphoma, chronic lymphocytic leukemia/small lymphocytic lymphoma, and multiple myeloma/plasma cell neoplasms (*data not shown*).

Conclusions

- Overall, our results suggest that dietary patterns may have, at best, a modest role in lymphoma etiology.
- Further large prospective studies with lymphoma subtype-specific data are warranted to confirm these findings.

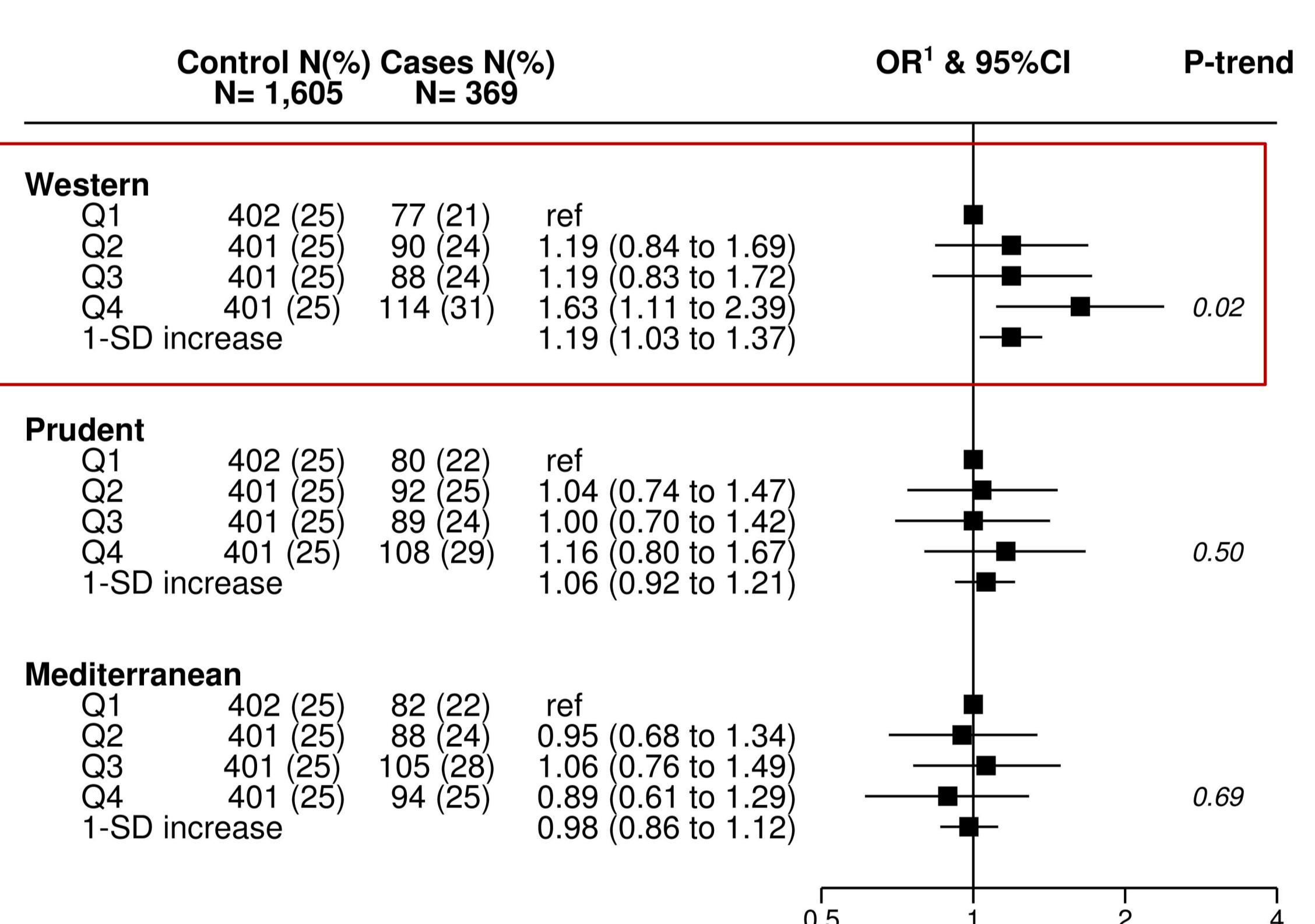


Figure 1. Association between adherence to dietary patterns and chronic lymphocytic leukemia in the MCC-Spain study. OR, Odds Ratio; 95%CI, 95% confidence interval; Q: quartile; SD: standard deviation. Black squares indicate OR and horizontal lines represent 95%CI. ¹Logistic regression models adjusted for age, sex, education, energy intake (kcal/day) with province of residence as random effect.

Table 3. Association between adherence to the 2018 WCRF/AICR score and chronic lymphocytic leukemia in the MCC-Spain study.

	CLL		
	N cases	N controls	HR ¹ (95% CI)
WCRF/AICR 2018			
T1		558	Ref
T2	124	371	1.08 (0.78; 1.48)
T3	93	374	1.25 (0.91; 1.73)
P-trend ²			0.172
1-unit increase			1.06 (0.91; 1.23)

N, number; OR, odds ratio; 95% CI, 95% confidence interval; T, tertile. ¹Logistic regression analyses adjusted for age, sex, educational level, province, family history of hematological neoplasms, ever worked in farming or agriculture, total energy intake, and smoking. ²P value of Cox proportional model fitted with the score variable as continuous to test for lineal trend.

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Energy poverty and health: trends in the European Union before and during the economic crisis, 2007-2016

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Introduction

Energy poverty (EP) can be understood as the inability of a household to secure a socially and materially required level of energy services in the home.¹ Several studies have shown how EP negatively affects people's health and well-being.² The economic crisis that started in 2008 in Europe has directly affected the structural determinants of EP, which may have further worsened the effects on health.

Objective 1

To create an index of structural EP vulnerability for 27 countries of the European Union (EU) and to define country typologies according to the value of the index.

Methods 1

- Ecological cross-sectional study; analysis units were EU-27 countries.
- Collection of indicators on the three structural dimensions of EP: 1) Labor Market and Welfare State; 2) Housing Market and Policies and 3) Energy Market and Policies. Taken mainly from the Eurostat database and for the period 2010-2017.
- Pre-selection of indicators through a meeting with experts.
- Creation of a composite index through principal component analyses.
- Hierarchical cluster analysis to group countries according to their index value.

Objective 2

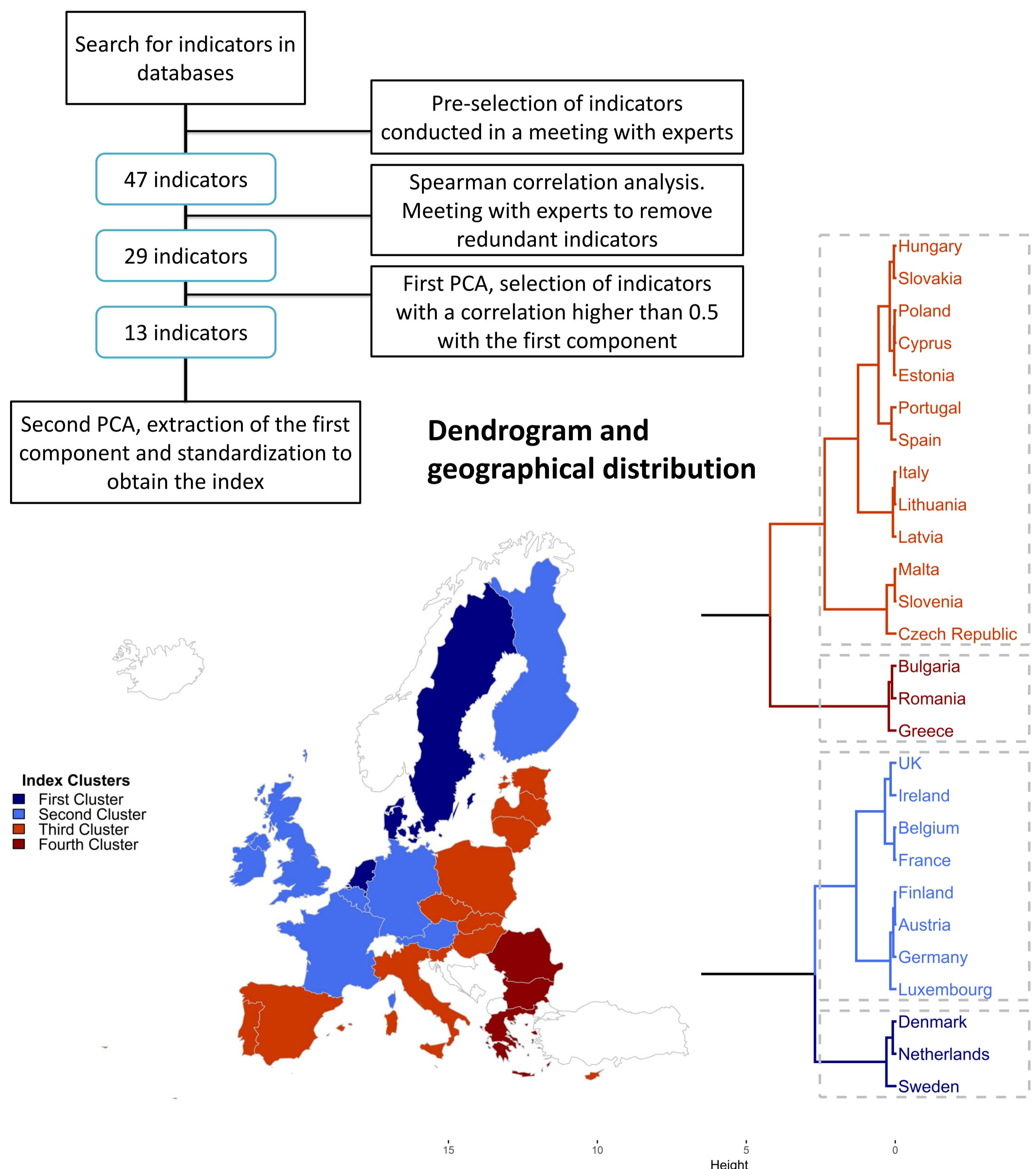
To analyse the time trend in the EU by country typology before and during the economic crisis in 1) the EP prevalence; 2) the association between EP and health; and 3) the impact of EP on health.

Methods 2

- Individual-based trends study which analyses three cross-sectional waves (2007, 2012, 2016) of the European Quality of Life Survey.
- The dependent variables studied were poor self-reported health, reduced well-being and poor mental health. The main independent variable was EP, defined as the inability to afford to keep the home adequately warm during the cold months.
- Calculation through age adjusted Poisson regression models with robust variance of 1) prevalence ratios (PR) as an association measure and 2) population attributable risk percent (PAR%) as an impact measure.
- Analyses were stratified by sex and country typologies.

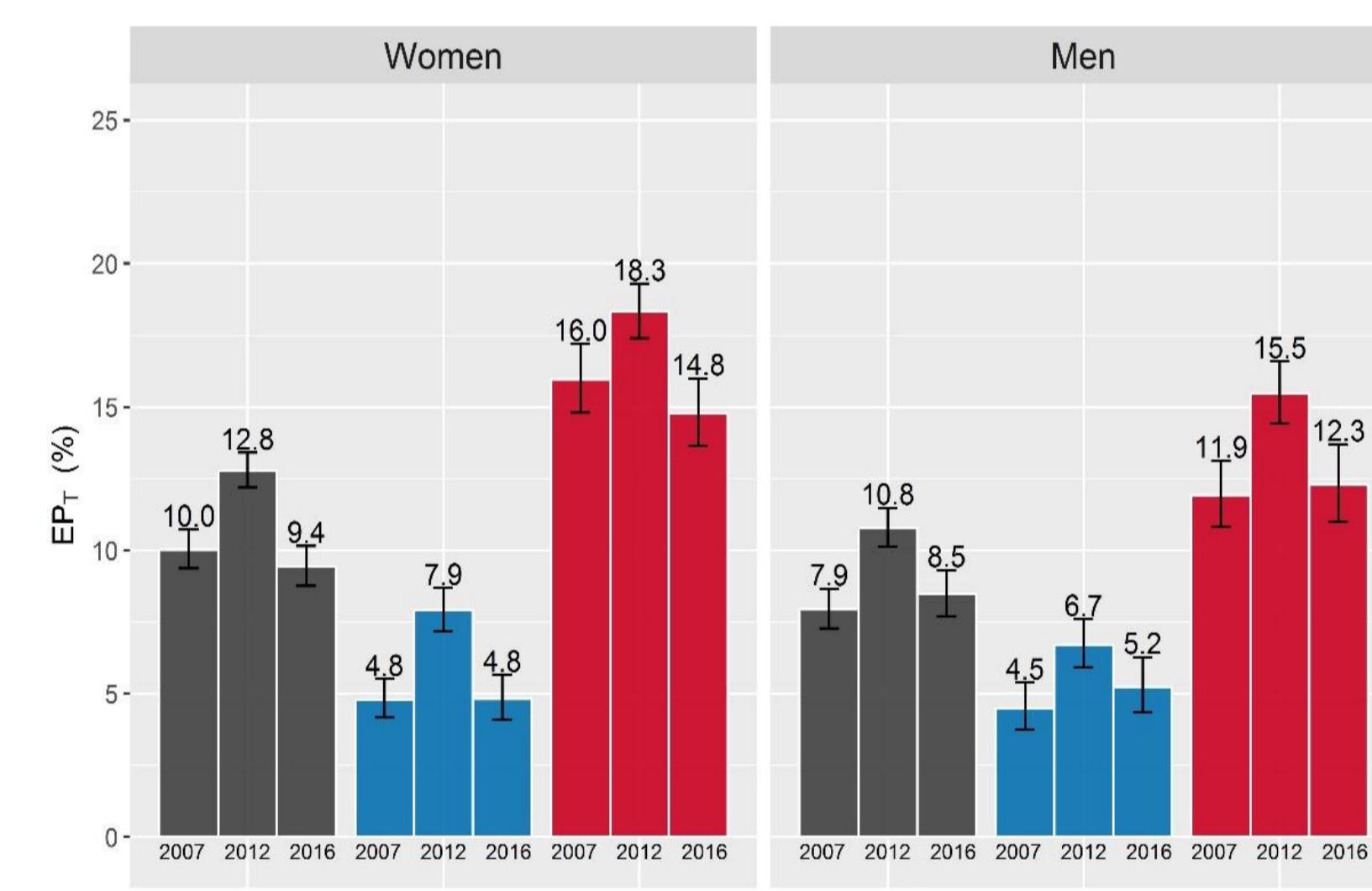
Results 1

Flowchart representing the steps taken to obtain the index

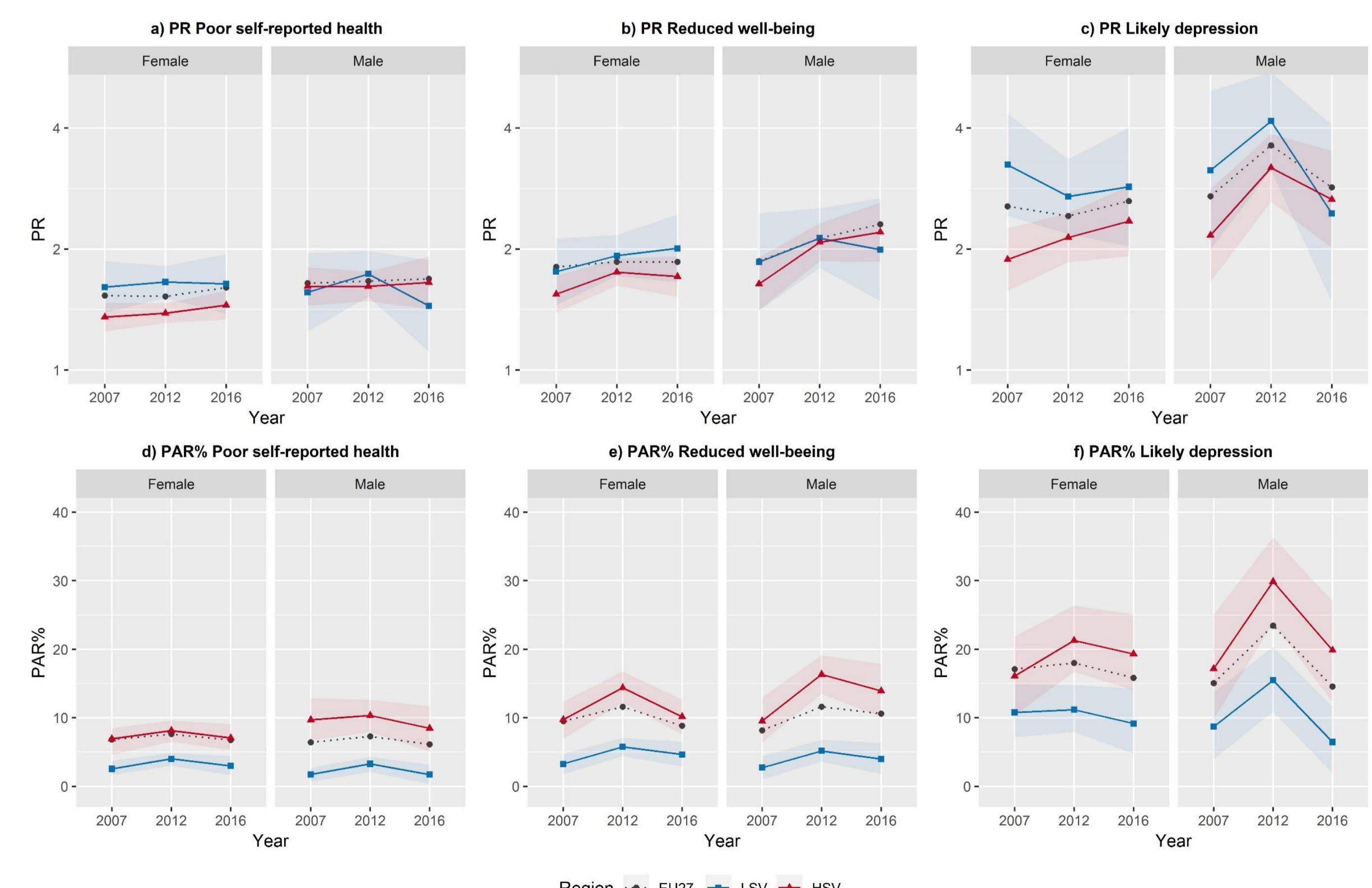


Results 2

Trend in EP over time in countries with Low Structural Vulnerability (LSV) and High Structural Vulnerability (HSV) to EP.



Trend in the association (PR) and impact (PAR%) of EP on health outcomes.



Conclusion

- There are geographical patterns in the distribution of structural energy poverty vulnerability in the EU, with the countries of southern and eastern Europe being most affected.
- Energy poverty and its impact on health worsened in the EU during the economic crisis, most of all for women and in countries with higher structural vulnerability to energy poverty.

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La violencia contra la mujer en la pareja en las distintas etapas de la vida. Factores de riesgo e impacto en salud

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Objetivo

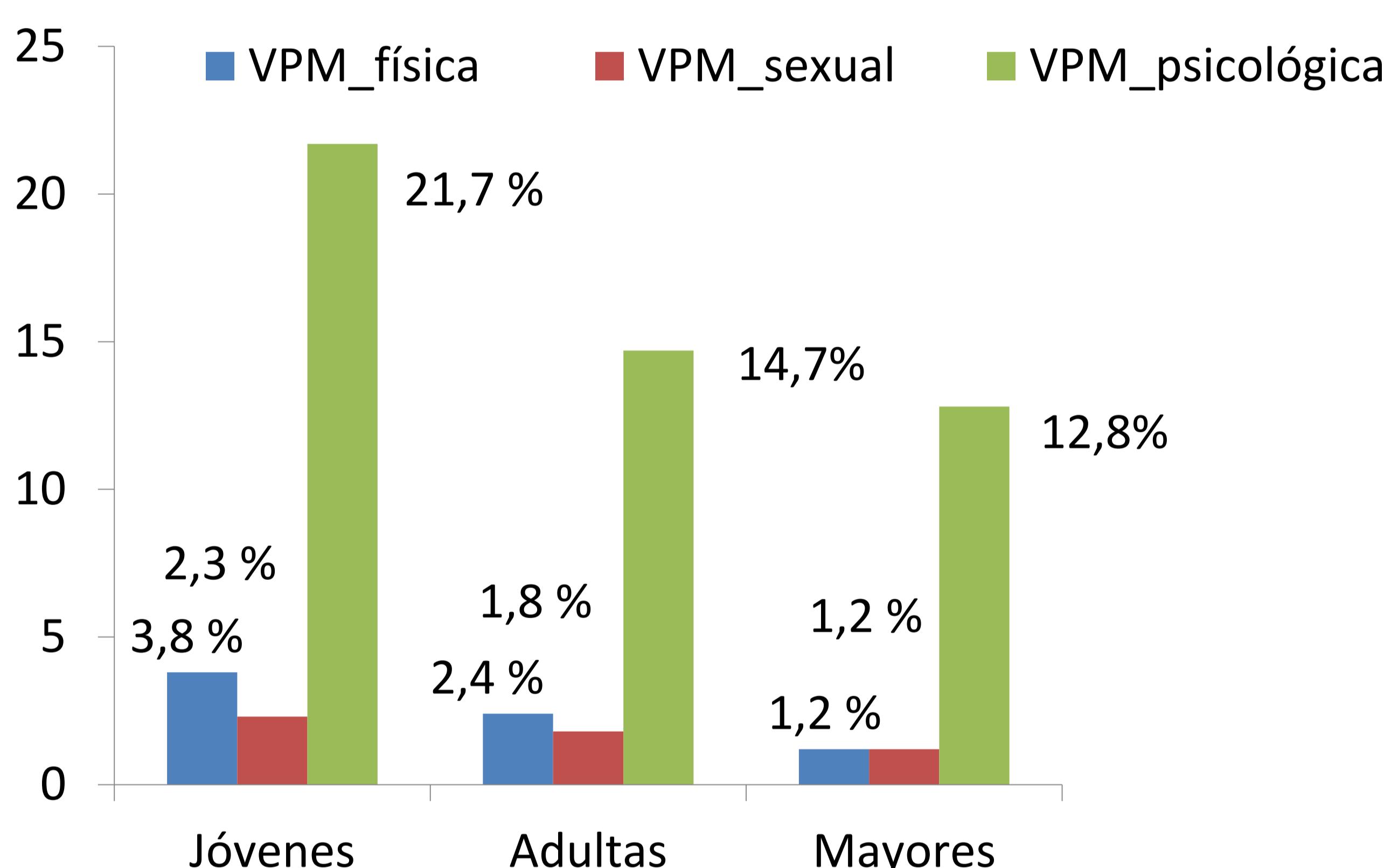
Analizar, en el contexto español, la prevalencia, los factores de riesgo y el impacto en salud de la Violencia de Pareja contra la Mujer (VPM) en distintas etapas de la vida.

Metodología

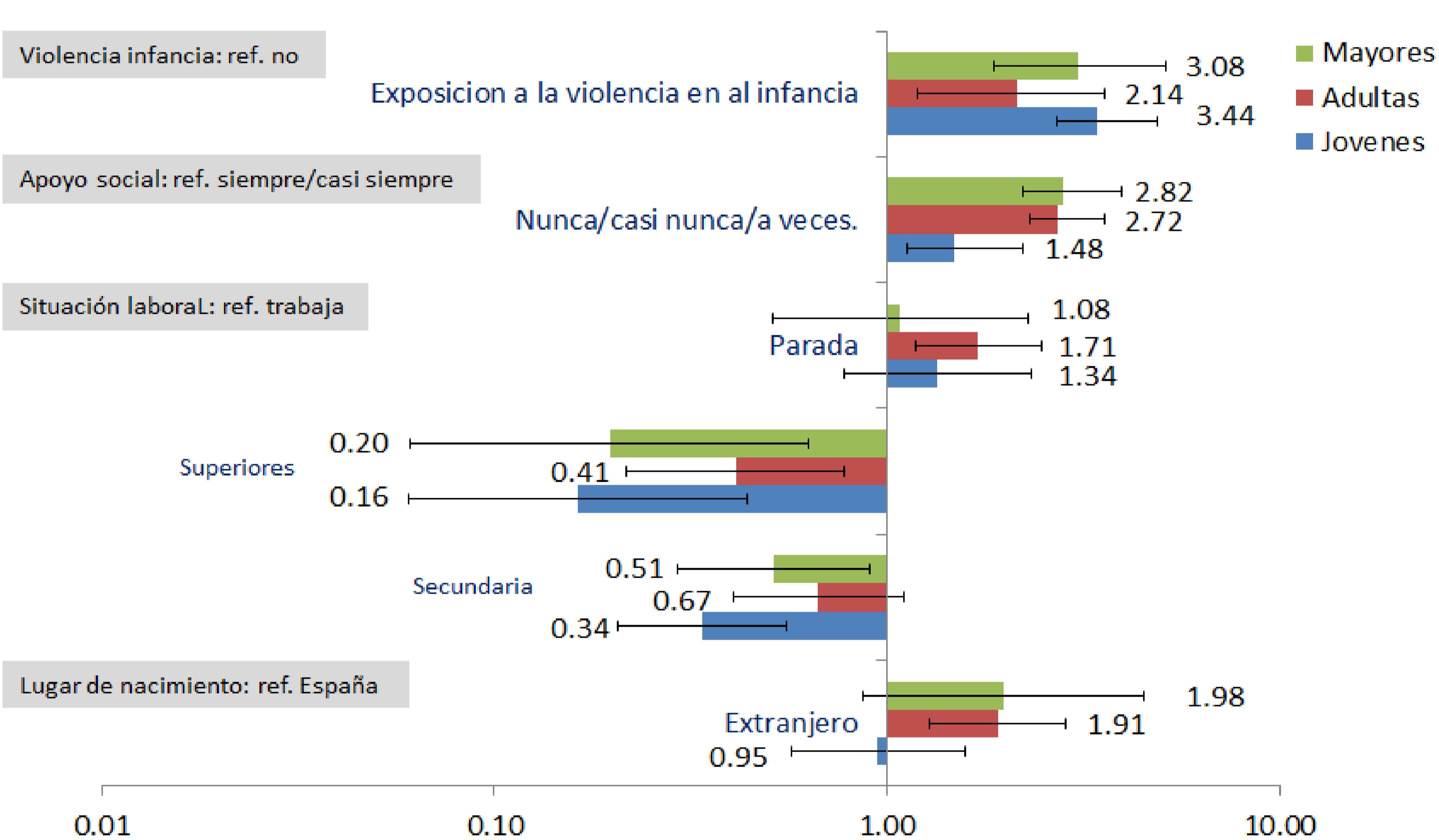
Estudio transversal de Macroencuesta de Violencia contra la Mujer, 2015. Incluye una sub-muestra de 9805 mujeres residentes en España de 16 y más años de edad, que tenían o habían tenido pareja. Variables dependiente: VPM física y/o sexual últimos 12 meses; VPM psicológica últimos 12 meses; limitación de actividad, mala salud percibida, mala salud mental. Covariables: País de nacimiento, estudios, situación laboral, apoyo social, exposición a la violencia. Análisis estratificado en grupos de edad: jóvenes (16-29 años), adultas (30-49 años) y mayores (mayor de 50 años). El análisis se realizó mediante la estimación de razones de prevalencia (RP), obtenidas por regresiones de Poisson robusta.

Resultados

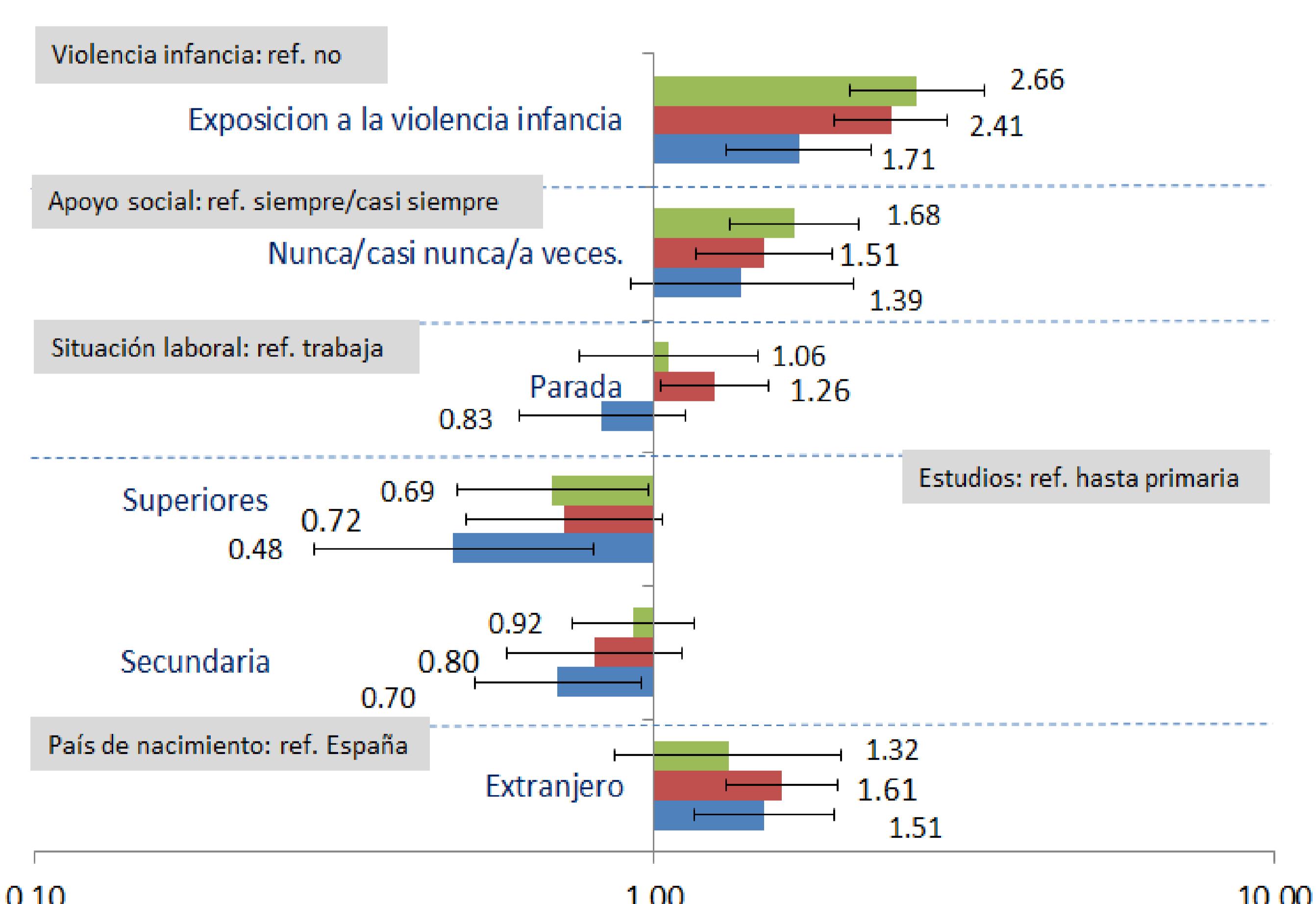
Prevalencia de la VPM física, sexual y psicológica por grupos de edad. Últimos 12 meses.



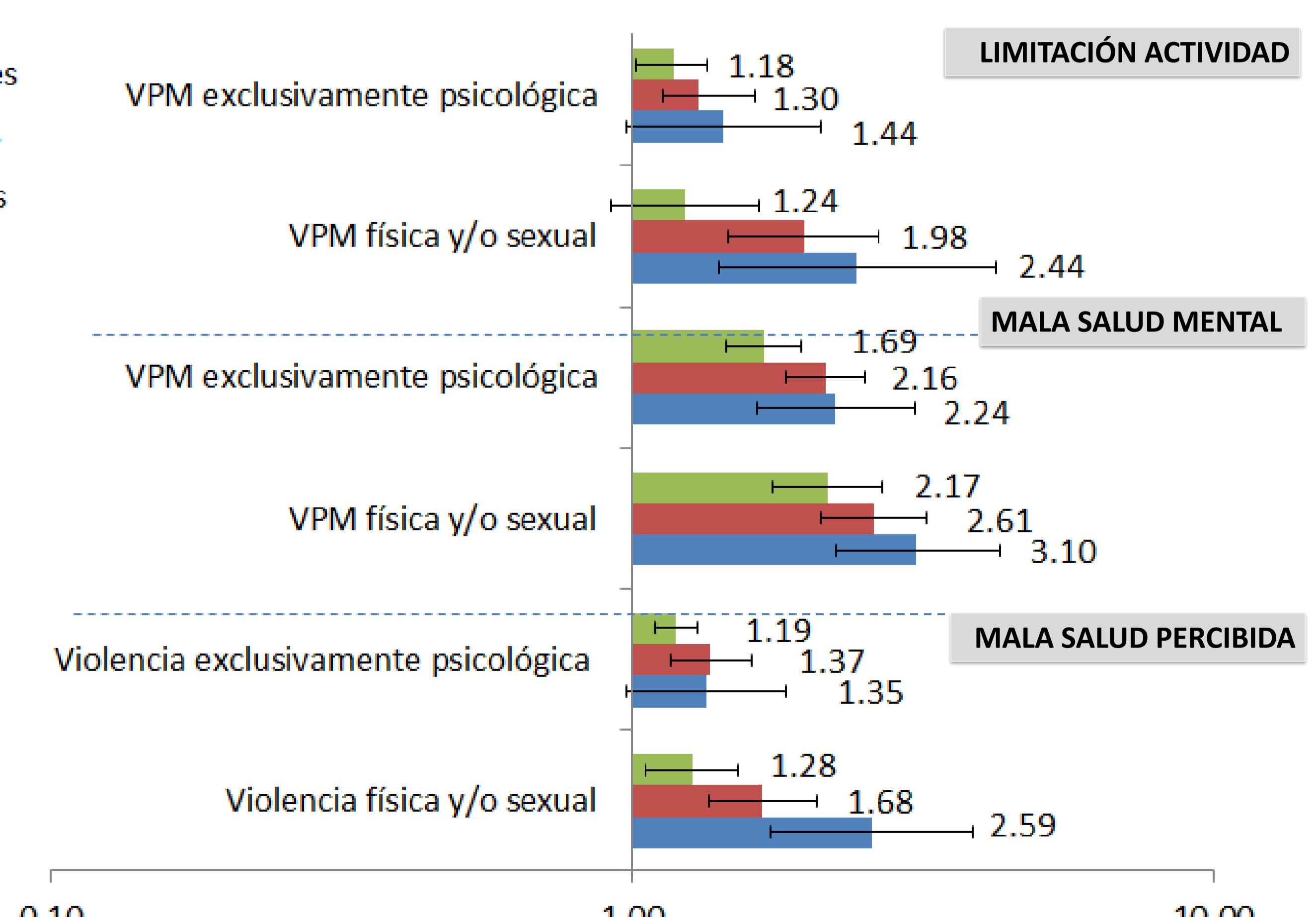
Variables asociadas a la prevalencia de la VPM física y/o sexual, últimos 12 meses por grupos de edad.



Variables asociadas a la prevalencia de la VPM exclusivamente psicológica últimos 12 m. por grupos de edad.



Asociación entre el estado de salud y la VPM, últimos 12 m, por grupos de edad .Macroencuesta de Violencia de Género, 2015



Conclusiones

La variable que incrementa en mayor medida el riesgo de cualquier tipo de VPM, es la exposición a abusos en la infancia. Estar en situación de desempleo incrementa la probabilidad e sufrir cualquier tipo de VPM en las mujeres adultas. Tener un nivel de estudio alto protege mayoritariamente a la población joven de sufrir VPM. La VPM física y/o sexual es más prevalente en las mujeres inmigrantes adultas que en las mujeres españolas. La VPM psicológica es más prevalente en las mujeres inmigrantes jóvenes y adultas. La salud de las mujeres se ve fuertemente deteriorada por la exposición a la VPM, tanto si esta violencia de física/sexual como si es exclusivamente psicológica.

Long-term physical activity induces brain resilience in middle-aged adults

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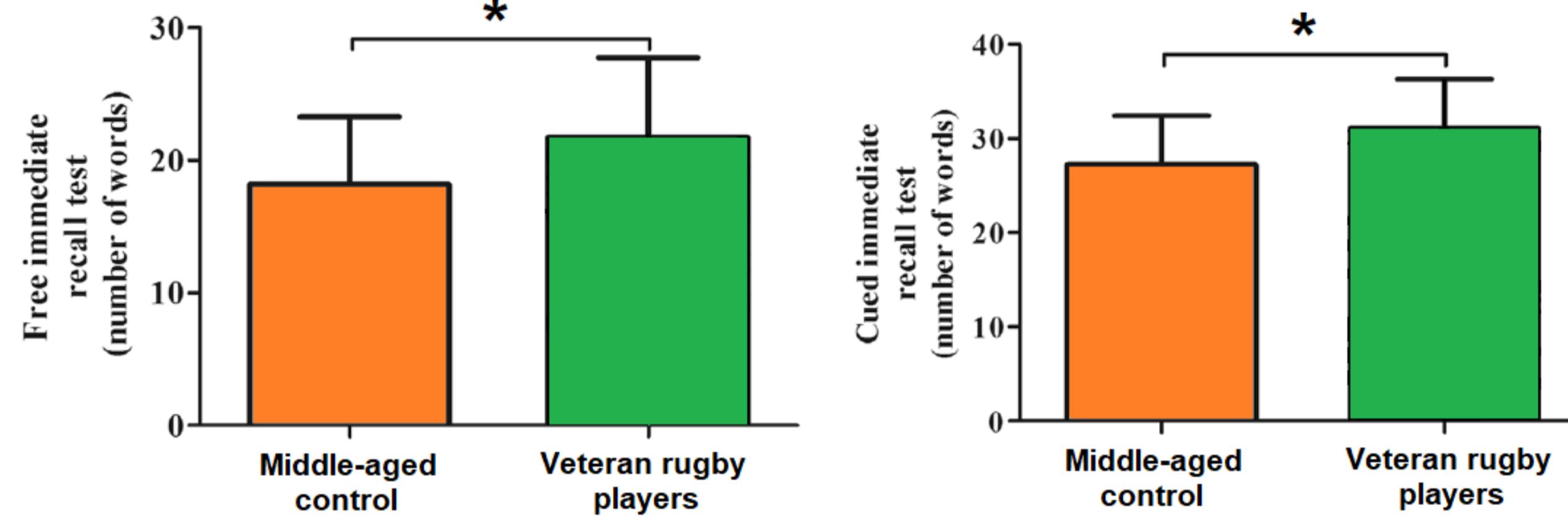
AIM: Physical activity practiced regularly is known to improve the well-being and to reduce the risk of age-related diseases. We aimed to determine the impact of long-term physical activity on memory maintenance and search for peripheral blood markers related to cognitive function that may be detectable at middle-age.

METHODS: We performed neuropsychological analyses to veteran amateur rugby players ($n = 24$, age: 46–68 y) and middle-aged sedentary controls ($n = 25$, age: 47–67 y). We analyzed the expression of selected genes in whole blood mRNA of player and control groups and young sedentary controls ($n = 21$, age: 17–25 y). A young trained group ($n = 16$, age: 18–25 y) was added to analyze age-related response in circulating neurotrophins induced by chronic exercise.

RESULTS:



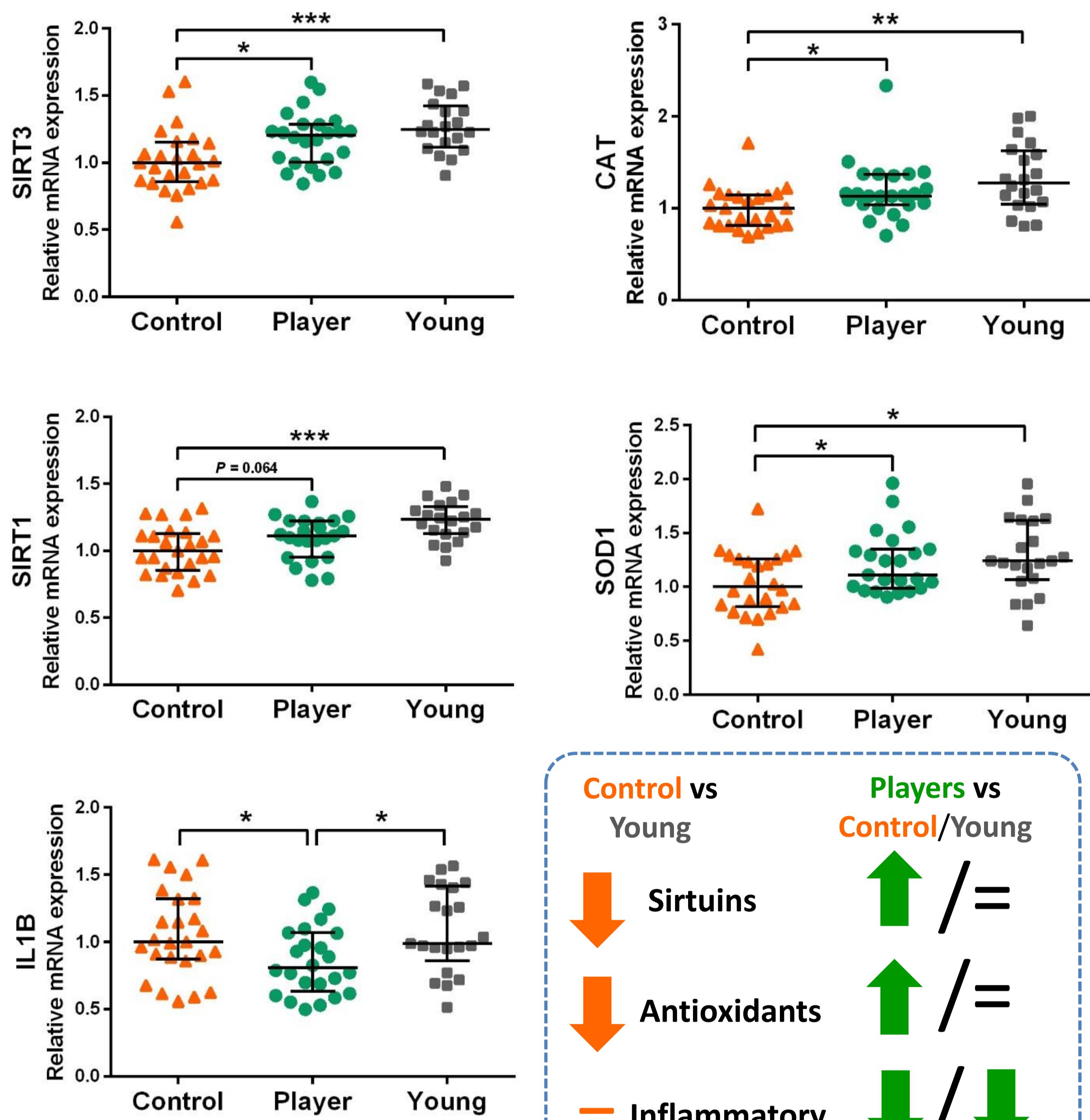
NEUROPSYCHOLOGICAL TESTING



↑ Long-term physical exercise ↑ Memory at middle-age

Physical activity increased memory score in immediate recall test.

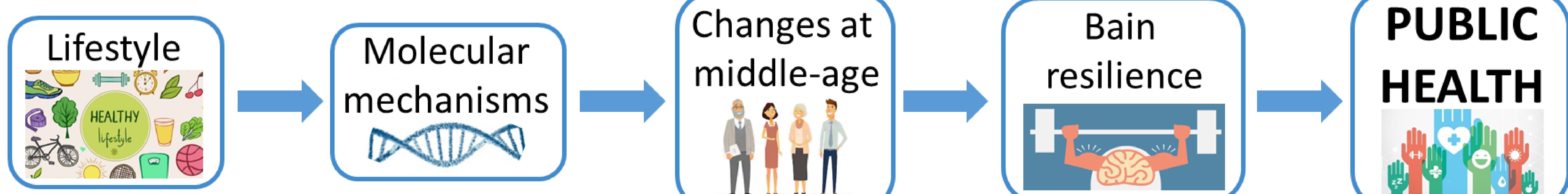
GENE EXPRESSION IN WHOLE BLOOD



Control vs Young
 Players vs Control/Young
 ↑ Sirtuins / = Antioxidants ↓ Inflammatory

Middle-aged amateur rugby players with a long-term practice [35 y; range: 7–59] showed maintained peripheral expression of key genes of the SIRT1-SIRT3 axis of resilience at a young-like level.

CONCLUSIONS:



Our results suggest that long-term physical exercise induces a rejuvenating effect in middle-aged adults, indicative of brain resilience against age-related cognitive loss. Interestingly SIRT1, SIRT3, CAT and SOD genes can be detected as peripheral blood biomarkers of resilience. This confirms the value of physical exercise to improve public health.

The INMA-Valencia cohort:

A new health survey after 15 years of follow-up

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INTRODUCTION AND OBJECTIVES

The **INMA Project –Childhood and Environment**-is a multi-center study of 7 prospective Spanish cohorts (Ribera D'Ebre, Menorca, Granada, Valencia, Asturias, Gipuzkoa, and Sabadell) with the following specific objectives^{1,2}:

1. To evaluate environmental exposure to contaminants and their related factors in adolescents and their mothers.
2. To study the health effects of biological, socioeconomic, dietary and environmental factors, and lifestyle throughout the life cycle.
3. To evaluate how these factors can modify the effects of contaminants on health.

METHODOLOGY

The INMA-Valencia cohort is undertaking its 11th follow-up, starting in 2019 (Figure 1). The participants ($n \approx 400$) are adolescents and their mothers from a specific Valencian region (Figure 2) with a range age between: 14–16 and 31–58 years old, respectively.

Data are being collected through questionnaires, physical examination (anthropometric measurements, lung function, blood pressure and pubertal development), neuropsychological development tests, and collection of biological samples (blood, urine, hair, fecal microbiota, and cervicovaginal mucosa, the latter only in the INMA mothers).

EXPECTED RESULTS

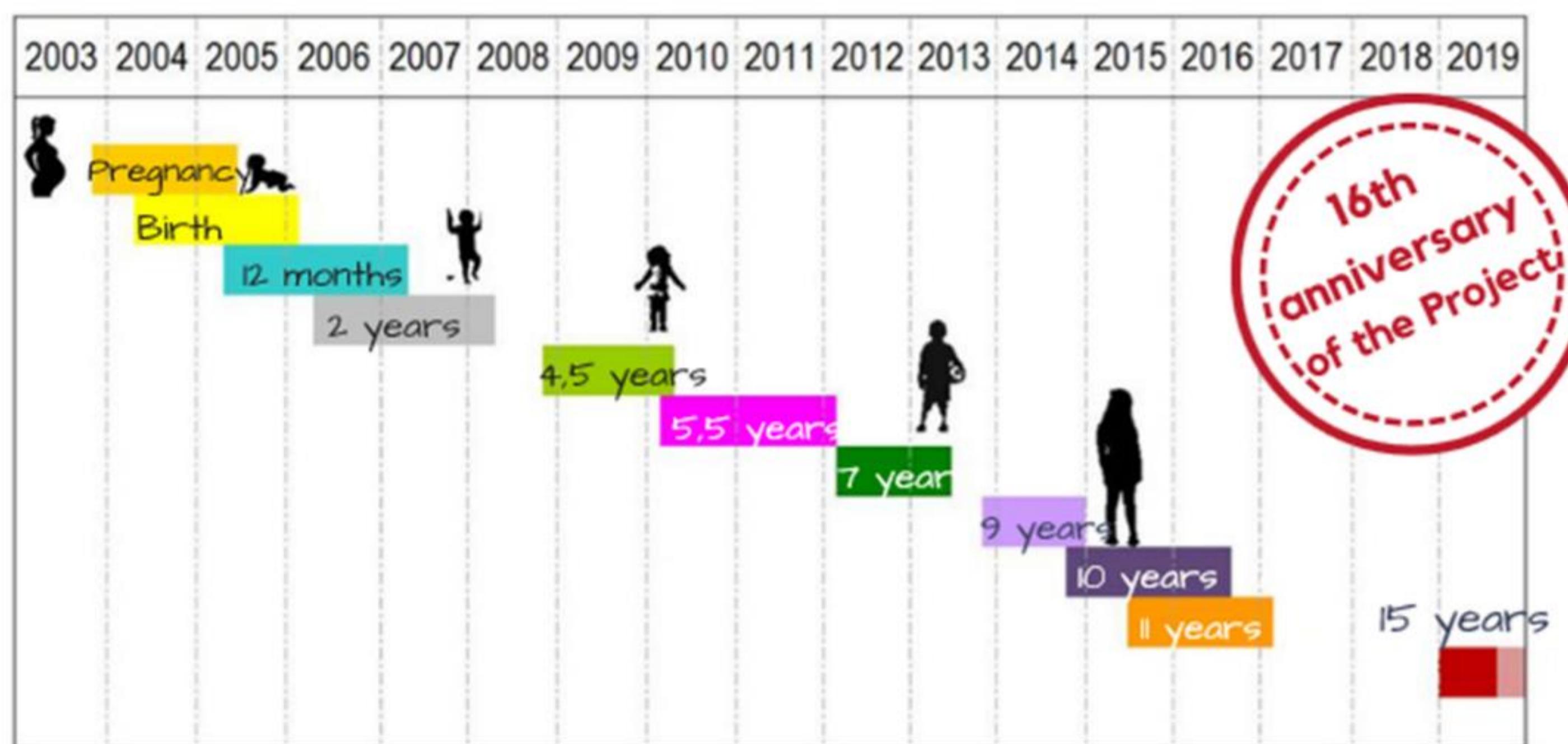


Fig. 1: Surveys INMA-Valencia

The survey of 14–16-year-olds will consider: i) Socioeconomic level, diet quality, living environment, physical activity, sleep patterns, and habits of use of technologies regarding participants' health status; ii) Exposure to pollutants and biomarker levels of effect concerning health; and iii) Health role of gut microbiota (Figure 3).

In the mothers, cervicovaginal microbiota composition will be correlated with i) Infections by oncogenic human papillomavirus (HPVs), HPV-related dysplasias and other cervical lesions (e.g. cancer of cervix) during perimenopause; and ii) Quality of life during the climacteric period (Figure 3).

CONCLUSIONS

The relevance of the INMA Project lies in its longitudinal design with health information on toxic exposure, diet, and socioeconomic context collected since the beginning of life.

Additionally, it is a multicenter study of cohorts in different Spanish regions and participates in many international projects and networks.

INMA contributes to knowledge about the health effects of environmental, socioeconomic and lifestyles factors throughout life. This information could be of special relevance for the preparation of Public Health guidelines and policies aimed at protecting health in Spain and Europe.



Fig. 2: Study Area INMA-Valencia

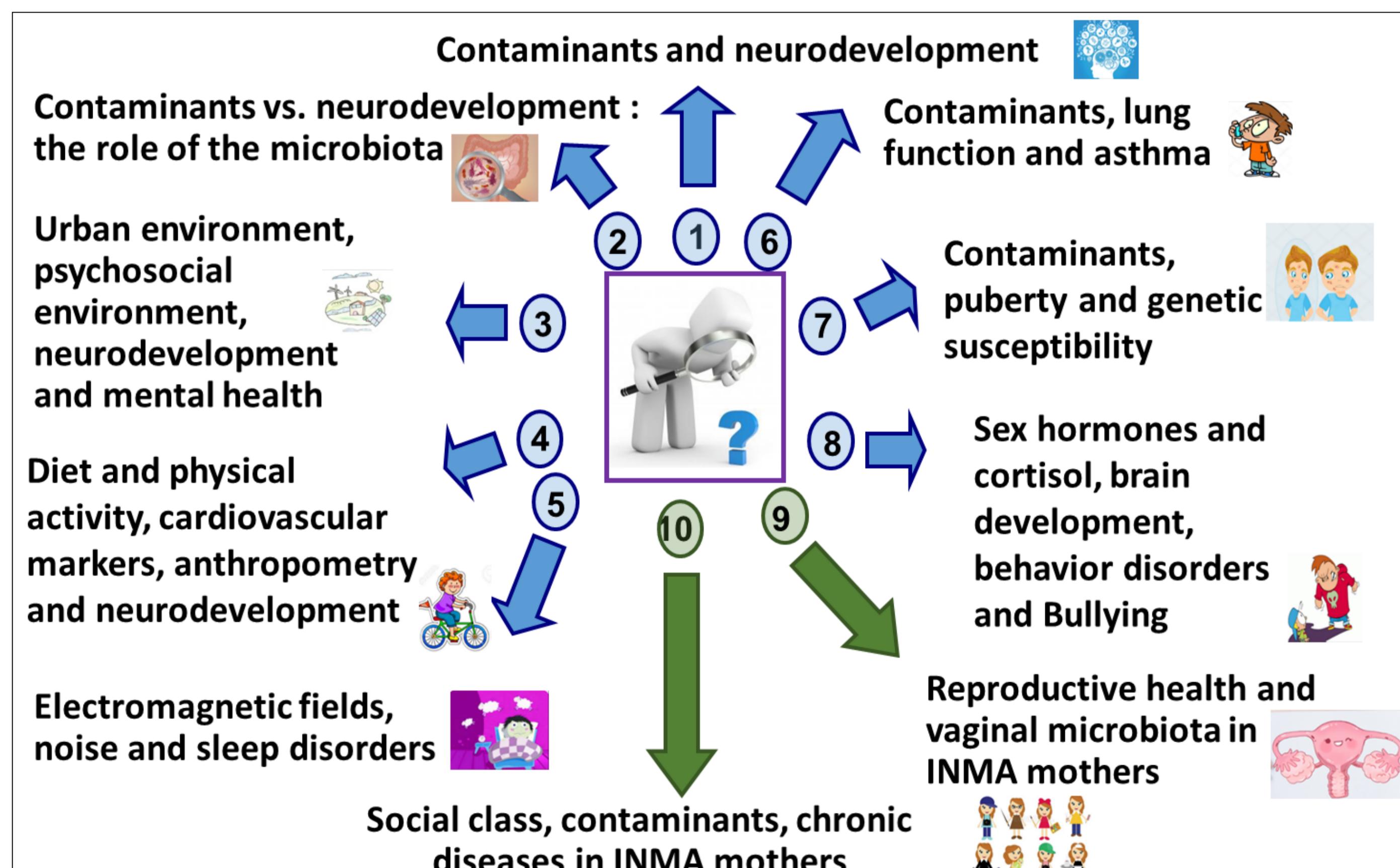


Fig. 3: Research priorities within the new survey (blue and green arrows: lines of research in INMA children and mothers, respectively)

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Association of urinary metal concentrations with blood pressure and serum hormones among male adolescents in the INMA-Granada cohort

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OBJECTIVE

To examine the association of urinary concentrations of arsenic (As), cadmium (Cd), mercury (Hg), nickel (Ni), lead (Pb), manganese (Mn), and chromium (Cr) with **blood pressure (BP)** and **serum hormone levels** in a sub-sample of **male adolescents** belonging to the INMA (Environment and Childhood)-Granada cohort .

METHODS

Participants were selected from the **INMA-Granada cohort** of boys at their follow-up visit when aged **15-17 years**. Metal concentrations were measured in urine samples using inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry. Outcomes were BP measurements (systolic, diastolic, and pulse pressure) and concurrent serum levels of hormones, including thyroid hormones (FT4, TT3, TSH), sex steroids (testosterone, 17 β -estradiol, DHEA), non-steroidal sex hormones (LH, FSH, SHBG, anti-Müllerian hormone, prolactin), adrenal hormones (ACTH, cortisol), human growth hormone (hGH), and insulin-like growth factor-1 (IGF-1). Associations were assessed by regression analysis in **133 boys** with available data on urinary metals, outcomes, and relevant covariates.

RESULTS

Table 1. Urinary metal concentrations among study participants

Metals	% detection	Non-adjusted ($\mu\text{g/L}$)			Creatinine-adjusted ($\mu\text{g/g}$)			Range	
		GM	Percentiles		GM	Percentiles			
			25 th	50 th		25 th	50 th		
As	100	21.3	7.75	21.0	40.3	1.04-942	12.1	5.02-25.7	0.58-465
Cd	98.5	0.08	0.05	0.08	0.12	<0.01-0.33	0.04	0.03-0.06	0.01-0.55
Hg	97.0	0.52	0.32	0.63	0.99	<0.05-4.57	0.30	0.17-0.57	0.01-3.24
Ni	36.8	-	<1.03	<1.03	1.67	<1.03-350	-	<0.55-3.03	<0.55-188
Pb	89.5	0.42	0.29	0.43	0.71	<0.16-4.44	0.24	0.16-0.34	<0.09-2.64
Cr	14.3	-	<0.83	<0.83	<0.83	<0.83-819	-	<0.44-1.22	<0.44-440
Mn	33.8	-	<0.03	<0.03	0.09	<0.03-84.2	-	<0.02-0.82	<0.02-45.3

GM: geometric mean.

For **hormones**, significant associations were also found between:

- ✓ Hg and ↑ testosterone by 5% (95%CI=2-10) for each 50% increase in Hg.
- ✓ Hg and ↑ LH by 8% (95%CI=4-14) for each 50% increase in Hg.
- ✓ Hg and ↓ TSH by 4% (95%CI=1-8) for each 50% increase in Hg.
- ✓ Cr and ↓ TSH by 24% (95%CI=1-42) for detected vs undetected Cr.
- ✓ Cd and ↑ ACTH by 8% (95%CI=0-16) for each 50% increase in Cd.

Table 2. Change (95%CI) of diastolic and systolic BP and pulse levels, and odds ratios (95%CI) of elevated BP associated with urinary metals.

Exposure variables	Change (95%CI)			OR (95%CI)		
	Systolic BP (mmHg)	Diastolic BP (mmHg)	Pulse (bpm)	Elevated systolic BP (≥ 120 mmHg) N=100	Elevated diastolic BP (≥ 80 mmHg) N=5	Elevated BP (120-129/ < 80 mmHg) N=54
Urinary metal levels[†]						
As ^a	0.70 (0.11; 1.29)**	0.27 (-0.24; 0.77)	0.08 (-0.74; 0.91)	1.28 (1.04; 1.56)**	1.04 (0.97; 1.12)	1.00 (0.96; 1.02)
Cd ^a	1.47 (0.30; 2.63)**	0.54 (-0.45; 1.53)	0.41 (-1.22; 2.03)	1.10 (0.78; 1.55)	1.07 (0.82; 1.07)	0.98 (0.94; 1.01)
Hg ^a	0.15 (-0.61; 0.92)	0.36 (-0.31; 1.02)	0.43 (-0.66; 1.52)	0.91 (0.72; 1.14)	1.15 (0.95; 1.38)	1.00 (0.98; 1.02)
Ni ^b	0.76 (-2.92; 4.43)	-0.08 (-3.27; 3.10)	3.25 (-1.97; 8.46)	0.80 (0.28; 2.27)	0.19 (0.01; 4.98)	0.55 (0.23; 1.35)
Pb ^a	-0.70 (-1.58; 0.18)	-0.17 (-0.93; 0.60)	0.33 (-0.92; 1.59)	0.84 (0.65; 1.10)	1.03 (0.91; 1.16)	1.00 (0.97; 1.02)
Cr ^b	0.56 (-4.93; 6.05)	-1.67 (-6.34; 3.09)	-5.58 (-13.4; 2.22)	0.94 (0.18; 4.80)	-	1.12 (0.30; 4.24)
Mn ^b	1.05 (-3.07; 5.17)	1.06 (-2.52; 4.63)	2.91 (-2.94; 8.76)	1.67 (0.49; 5.69)	-	1.14 (0.42; 3.09)
Number of detected metals per subject: Mn and Cr included (ref: 2-3)[‡]						
4	6.54 (0.80; 12.3)**	4.58 (-0.20; 9.37)*	2.87 (-4.90; 10.6)	1.46 (0.34; 6.21)	-	0.45 (0.13; 1.57)
5	6.66 (0.42; 12.9)**	4.58 (-0.63; 9.80)*	3.23 (-5.23; 11.7)	2.01 (0.41; 9.80)	-	0.45 (0.11; 1.74)
6-7	6.58 (0.14; 13.0)**	3.89 (-1.49; 9.27)	5.56 (-3.17; 14.3)	1.47 (0.29; 7.39)	-	0.35 (0.08; 1.43)
p for trend	0.25	0.44	0.22	0.94	-	0.20
Number of detected metals per subject: Mn and Cr excluded (ref: 2-3)[‡]						
4	5.84 (0.40; 11.3)**	3.65 (-0.91; 8.21)	3.37 (-3.94; 10.7)	1.51 (0.37; 6.10)	-	0.43 (0.13; 1.42)
5	7.01 (1.01; 13.0)**	3.77 (-1.26; 8.80)	6.95 (-2.12; 15.0)	1.22 (0.27; 5.51)	-	0.48 (0.06; 1.09)
p for trend	0.05	0.26	0.08	0.99	-	0.07

[†]Models adjusted for urinary creatinine, age (15-16 vs 17 yrs), serum triglycerides, HDL and LDL, BMI, and for all metals simultaneously.

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^aChange or OR of outcome for each 50% increase in urinary metal level; ^bChange or OR in outcome for detected (vs undetected) urinary level.

BP: blood pressure; *p<0.10; **p<0.05.

CONCLUSIONS

These findings suggest that environmental exposure to toxic metals, especially As and Cd, may contribute to BP elevation in male adolescents and that exposure to Hg, Cd, and Cr may affect their hormone levels.

A new online system for the standardized appraisal of PRO instruments: the EMPRO platform



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AIMS

The **EMPRO** (Evaluating the Measurement of Patient-Reported Outcomes) was designed to perform a standardized assessment of the **quality of PROs**. It has demonstrated to have **good validity and reliability**¹ and has been applied on ten conditions (over 50 instruments)²⁻⁴. Our aim was to develop an **online platform** which enables the independent review by several appraisers, and the consensus process to achieve an **agreement**.

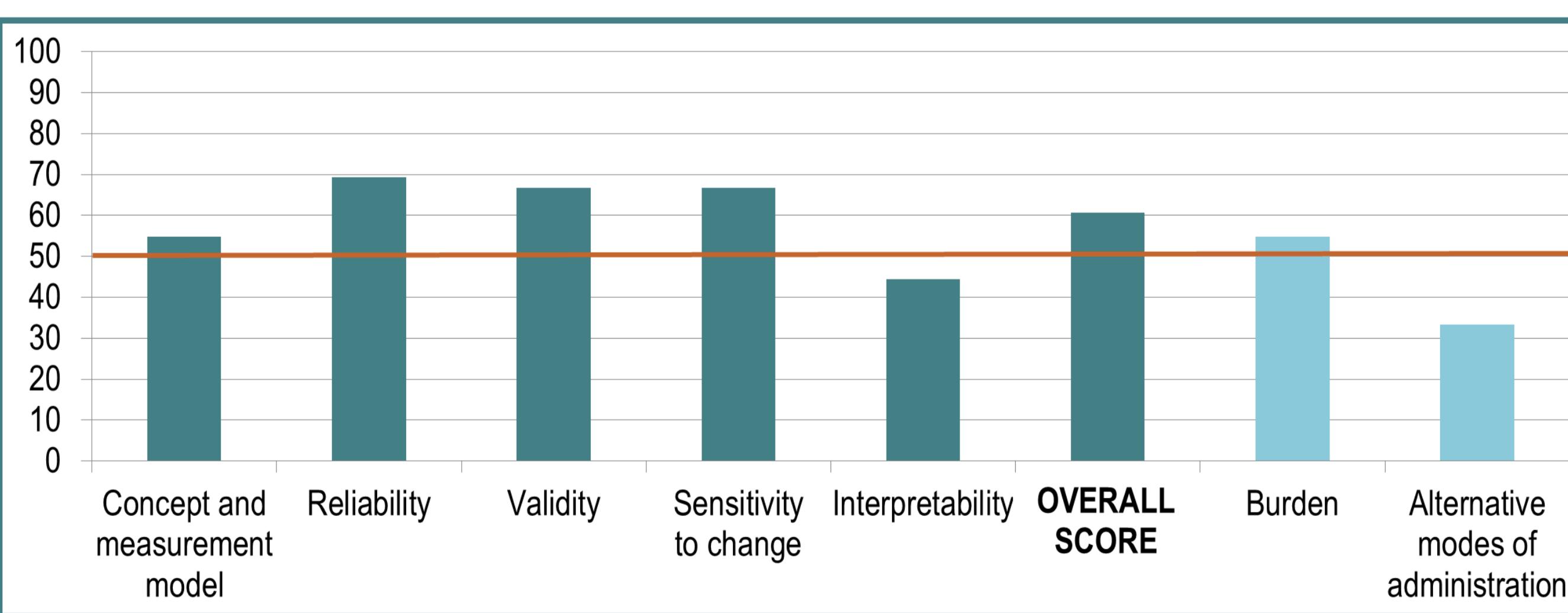
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Figure 1. List of the appraiser's EMPRO evaluations screen.

This screenshot shows a table titled 'List of EMPRO projects and their current status'. The columns are Project, Name, Created, Last update, and Actions. Projects listed include Minnesota (Minnesota Living With a Heart Failure Questionnaire), Respiratory (Saint George Respiratory Questionnaire, Asthma Control Test, Asthma Control Questionnaire), Prostate cancer (Expanded Prostate cancer Index Composite), and one unnamed Respiratory project. Actions column shows options like 'Start assessment' or 'Pending appraisers'.

Figure 3. EMPRO item assessment split screen.

This screenshot shows a split-screen interface. The left side displays a question about the concept being measured, with a 4-point scale from 'Strongly agree' to 'Strongly disagree'. The right side shows a 'Comments' box with a red reminder: 'You should consider whether scale developers have provided sufficient information, whether the methods used are appropriate, and whether the results indicate that the instrument functions correctly. Items should be rated 3 or 4 if all or most of the abovementioned criteria are met. Otherwise, the score should be no higher than 2.'



RESULTS

The new **EMPRO online platform** website is accessible with a user created for each appraiser. The application shows the **list of EMPRO evaluation projects** in which the user participates (**figure 1**). Each EMPRO item is shown on a screen (**figure 2**) with its evaluating criteria, scoring recommendations, and response options. **PRO materials can be consulted in parallel on a split screen** (**figure 3**). Once all appraisers of a specific PRO have finished their evaluation, they can access to the **consensus screen** (**figure 4**) displaying all the appraisers anonymized responses, so they can comment and modify their responses **to achieve an agreement**. Through these **consensus rounds** the experts achieve a **final agreement**, which will become the **EMPRO scores** (**figure 5**).

METHODS

An **online platform** was developed considering administrator and appraiser profiles. The **administrator profile** allows to design each EMPRO evaluation, specifying: the PROs to be evaluated, the number of appraisers by PRO; the **EMPRO attributes selected** (out of 8 possible); and evaluated materials (articles, instrument itself and its manual,...). In the **appraiser profile** the appraisers can check the materials, complete the EMPRO items for the evaluated PRO, and participate in the consensus process until **agreement**.

Figure 2. EMPRO item assessment screen.

This screenshot shows an item assessment screen for the 'Minnesota Living with Heart Failure Questionnaire'. It includes a '4-point scale response' section with a scale from 'Strongly agree' to 'Strongly disagree'. Below it are 'Reference' and 'Comments' boxes. A reminder at the bottom states: 'You should consider whether scale developers have provided sufficient information, whether the methods used are appropriate, and whether the results indicate that the instrument functions correctly. Items should be rated 3 or 4 if all or most of the abovementioned criteria are met. Otherwise, the score should be no higher than 2.'

Figure 4. EMPRO consensus screen.

This screenshot shows a 'First Agreement Round' for the 'Minnesota Living with Heart Failure Questionnaire'. It features a grid where appraisers (A, B, C) rate questions (1-7) on a scale from 1 to 3. A legend indicates 'Green: agreement achieved' and 'Red: Consensus process needed'. A 'Question reminder' bar at the top lists 'Conceptual and measurement model', 'Reliability', 'Validity', 'Sensitivity to change', 'Interpretability', 'Burden', and 'Alternative modes of administration'. A 'HOME' button is at the bottom left.

Figure 5. EMPRO scores for the Minnesota Living with Heart Failure questionnaire*.

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CONCLUSIONS

The new **EMPRO online platform** allows the **standardized assessment of the quality of PRO instruments by expert consensus**. It facilitates the exchange of information among appraisers, recording every step in the process, therefore simplifying collaborative and international studies.

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Transitions from suicidal ideation to suicide plans and/or suicide attempts among incoming college students – results from the WMH-ICS Initiative

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INTRODUCTION

Adolescence is a high-risk period for the onset of suicidal thoughts and behaviors (STB). About **21% to 50%** of those with adolescent-onset STB continue to experience STB when transitioning into young adulthood. This transition includes college entrance for about **two-thirds** of young people in developed countries. College entrance may therefore be a strategic “point of capture” for detecting STB.

Objectives:

- to obtain representative STB prevalence and transition rates among college students
- to investigate sociodemographic and college-specific correlates for college student STB
- to compare STB prevalence rates with groups of same-aged peers

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Recent data of three papers from the World Mental Health International College Student (WMH-ICS) Initiative:

- a **systematic review** of 36 all-year college student samples that were assessed for STB, representing a total of 634,662 students (median sample size = 2,082 [IQR 353–5,200]; median response rate=74% [IQR 37–89%]); random-effects meta-analyses to obtain pooled STB prevalence estimates were used (Mortier et al. 2018 [a])
- analyses of the **baseline data of the WMH-ICS surveys**, in which web-based self-report questionnaires were administered to representative samples of first-year students from 19 colleges and universities, located in 8 mostly high-income countries (n=14,371; response rate=45.5%; mean age=19.3 years) (Mortier et al. 2018 [b])
- analyses of data from the **WHO World Mental Health Surveys**, which include face-to-face interviews with 5,750 young adults (college students, college dropouts, secondary school graduates who never entered college, and secondary school non-graduates) aged 18–22 spanning 21 countries (response rate=71.4%) (Mortier et al. 2018 [c])

RESULTS

Figure 1 shows that

- lifetime and 12-month prevalence of **suicide attempts** was significantly **lower** among first-year college students (red) and all-year college students (green) compared to findings from a meta-analysis of adolescent samples worldwide (blue; Evans et al. 2005)
- a similar pattern was **not found** for **suicidal ideation**.

Figure 1. Lifetime and 12-month prevalence of suicidal ideation and suicide attempts among adolescents, incoming college students, and all-year college students.

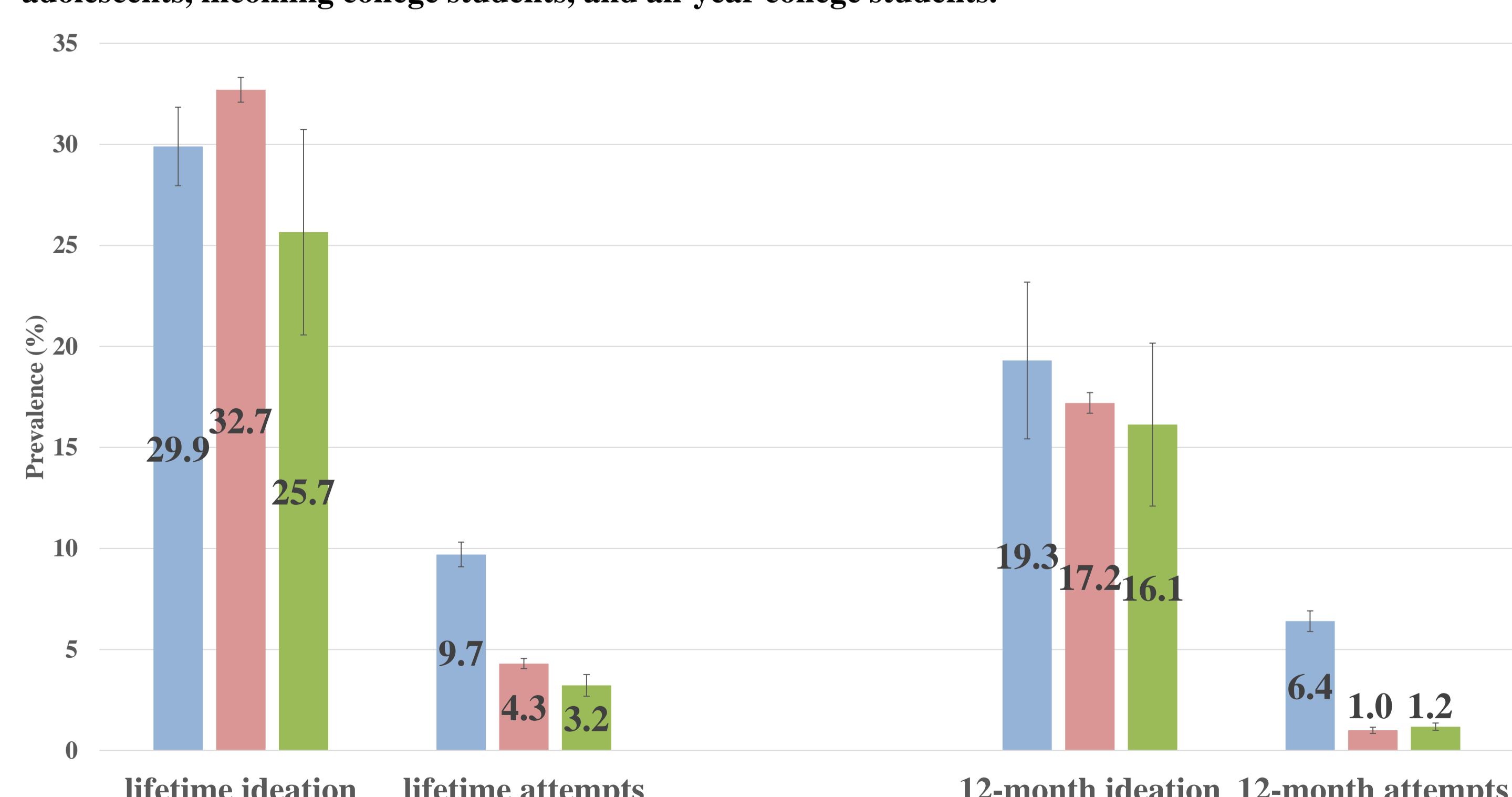
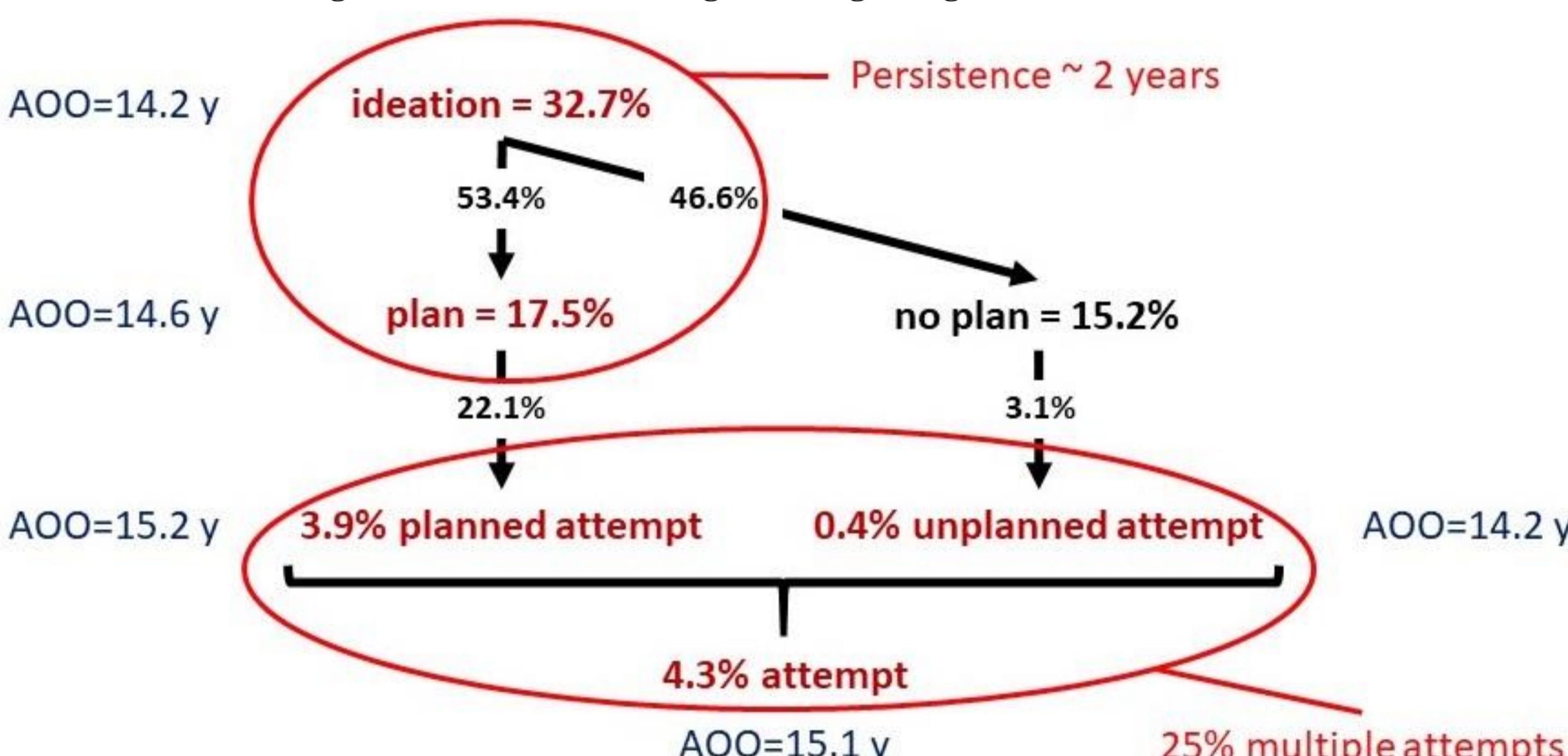


Figure 2 (Mortier et al. 2018 [b]) shows that

- the majority of lifetime suicide attempts were **planned attempts**
- **transitioning** from ideation to attempt occurred, on average, **within the year**
- students with lifetime ideation or planning experienced symptoms for **2 years** on average, and 25% of attempters attempted **2 times or more**.

Figure 2. Prevalence estimates, transition probabilities, median age-of-onset (AOO), and persistence of lifetime suicidal thoughts and behaviors among incoming college students.



Five out of 11 correlates (i.e., gender, age, parental education, parental marital status, urbanicity, religious background, sexual orientation, living situation, student job, ranking in high school, and reasons to go to college) were consistently positively associated with all three STB outcomes (Mortier et al. 2018 [b]):

- the strongest correlate was **sexual orientation**, i.e., non-heterosexual orientation with same-sex sexual intercourse (**aOR 4.2-7.9**), without same-sex sexual intercourse (**aOR 3.3-4.3**), and heterosexual orientation with some same-sex attraction (**aOR 1.9-2.3**).
- sexual orientation was also the strongest correlate of **transitioning** from ideation to plan (**aOR = 1.6-2.9**), unplanned attempts among ideators (**aOR = 6.1**), and planned attempts among ideators (**aOR = 1.1-4.0**).
- the correlates under study were quite **consistent across countries**, with only 32 of 192 correlate-by-country interactions (i.e., [24 correlates]*[8 countries]) being statistically significant.

Pre-matriculation onset STB (but not post-matriculation onset STB) was significantly associated with being a **college non-attender** versus a college entrant (**aOR = 1.4-2.0**), and with being a **college drop-out** versus being in college (**aOR = 1.7-2.5**; Mortier et al. 2018 [c]).

CONCLUSIONS

About **one third** of college entrants have a **lifetime history of STB**.

- lifetime and 12-month suicide attempts among (first-year) college students appear to be lower compared to same-aged peers not in college, which may be due to **selection effects**, i.e., the failure to matriculate into college as well as a higher rate of college drop-out, both related to pre-matriculation suicide attempts.
- **Sexual orientation** is a strong correlate of lifetime STB among college entrants, and is associated with an increased probability of transitioning from ideation or plans to suicide attempts.

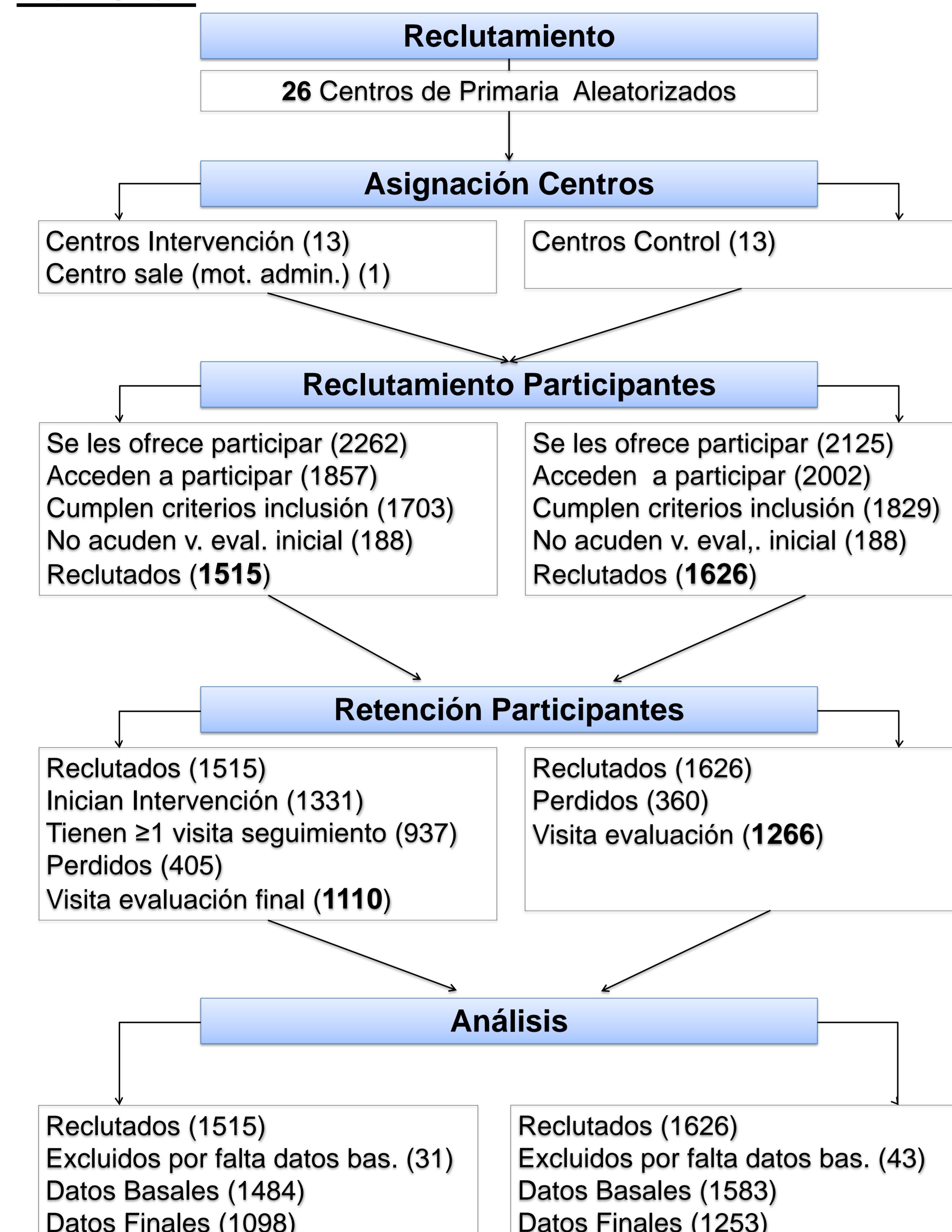
Taken together, our findings point to the **need for implementing college STB prevention interventions in the pre-college period**, including targeted interventions for those adolescents experiencing issues in exploring their sexual orientation, and specific strategies to prevent suicide attempt-related academic failure.

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Objetivo

Presentar la metodología, las dificultades, retos y soluciones del estudio EIRA para la evaluación del Coste-Utilidad de la una intervención compleja dirigida a mejorar las conductas saludables desde la perspectiva social.

Flow Chart



Análisis de los datos

Se aplicarán **modelos multivariados** para la estimación de la diferencia en costes y AVAC para estimar la ratio coste-efectividad incremental. Se aplicarán técnicas de **remuestreo** para estimar los planos coste-efectividad y las curvas de aceptabilidad coste-efectividad.

Metodología

Ensayo clínico aleatorizado por conglomerados en AP en Andalucía, Aragón, Castilla y León, I. Baleares, Galicia y País Vasco.

La intervención era compleja y trabajó 3 elementos:



Efectos medidos: Años de vida ajustados por calidad (AVAC): EQ-5D-5L.

Fuentes de información de costes

Los costes para el paciente relacionados con la intervención se obtuvieron mediante cuestionario.

El uso de servicios en atención primaria (visitas en centro y domicilio a medicina, enfermería y trabajo social) y secundaria (visitas, pruebas y hospitalización), fármacos, bajas laborales y mortalidad, así sus costes unitarios, se obtuvo en cada CCAA de distintas fuentes.

Origen de la información de costes

Sistemas de información automatizados							
Historias clínicas individuales							
Cuestionario ad hoc							
	Anda.	Arag.	C.León	Catal.	Balear.	Galicia	P.Vasc.
AP							
At. 2ria							
Fármacos							
Bajas			N.d.				
Muerte	N.d.		N.d.	N.d.			N.d.
Intervenc.							

Origen de la información de costes unitarios

Sanitarios	Tarifas publicadas en cada CCAA: BOJA, BOA, BOA, BOYCL, DOGC, BOIB, DOG, Osakidetza
Fármacos	BOE
Productividad	Salario medio: BOE (interprofesional), INE (por CCAA)
Intervención	Participante

Dato/Factor	Dificultad	Solución
Costes sanitarios	Heterogeneidad en fuentes de información: Disponibilidad, detalle y calidad de fuentes de CC.AA variable	Análisis de sensibilidad utilizando la mínima (más homogénea) y máxima (más heterogénea) información disponible en cada CCAA.
	Datos auto-reportados: sesgo de memoria y sobrecarga del cuestionario.	Estimación y corrección del sesgo de memoria a partir de CCAA con datos disponibles. Reducción del cuestionario al mínimo.
	Ausencia de información de mortalidad en algunas CCAA.	Imputación de datos de mortalidad y análisis sin mortalidad.
Costes unitarios	Heterogeneidad en el coste unitario del mismo servicio entre CCAA.	Ánalisis de sensibilidad: costes específicos por CCAA, coste medio en España y coste mínimo y máximo para cada servicio.
	Antigüedad de los datos de tarifas.	Actualización por IPC por CCAA.
Intervención	Estimación del coste del estilo de vida y el ejercicio físico.	Estimación a partir de información facilitada por el paciente.
Datos missing	Pérdidas de datos de seguimiento del 26% de los pacientes.	Utilización de técnicas de imputación múltiple.
Acceso a datos individuales	Barreras de los comités éticos y legales de los gestores de algunas bases de datos de práctica clínica real (RWD).	Acciones legales y administrativas para garantizar la seguridad y legalidad de la extracción de datos a partir de los CI.

Conclusión

El acceso a datos de uso de servicios sanitarios, pérdidas en productividad y costes de bolsillo a partir de bases de datos de práctica clínica (RWD) en distintas CCAA en España presenta dificultades derivadas de la variedad en los sistemas de registro y mecanismos de acceso. Hemos desarrollado aproximaciones y estrategias que nos permitirán determinar el impacto que tiene la heterogeneidad en el origen de los datos sobre las estimaciones de coste efectividad de una intervención compleja en atención primaria en 7 CCAA.

Impact of late neonatal sepsis by coagulase negative staphylococci in very low birthweight infants (NeoKissEs cohort)

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Background: coagulase-negative staphylococci (CNS) are the most common cause of late onset sepsis (LOS) in very-low-birth-weight-infants (VLBWI; ≤ 1,500 gr at birth). There is current controversy regarding its actual clinical impact in terms of mortality and short and long-term morbidity as compared with sepsis due to other germs (mainly Gram negative bacteria and fungi).

Methods: observational study of the NeoKissEs cohort (2014-2018). NeoKissEs collects standardized data on perinatal variables, use of antibiotics and medical devices and incidence of both overall and device-associated LOS in VLBWI from more than 40 Spanish Neonatal Intensive Care Units (NICUs). First LOS episodes from 45 NICU providing data for at least four years are assessed. Neonates transferred from other hospital are excluded.

Data from 2014-5 have been linked to the SEN-1500 dataset, which collects additional in-hospital morbidities.

Chi square, ANOVA and Kruskal-Wallis tests. Random-intercept logistic models to estimate adjusted Odds Ratios (**aOR**) between type of first LOS and short-term mortality and morbidity, accounting for intra-NICU correlation

Objective: to describe short-term mortality and morbidities in VLBWI with an episode of CNS related LOS and to compare them with those with sepsis caused by other germs, clinically suspected sepsis (negative cultures) and no LOS episodes.

Results:

-8,150 VLBW infants
-1,700 with 1 episode of LOS (20.9%)
-822 CNS related sepsis (48.4%)

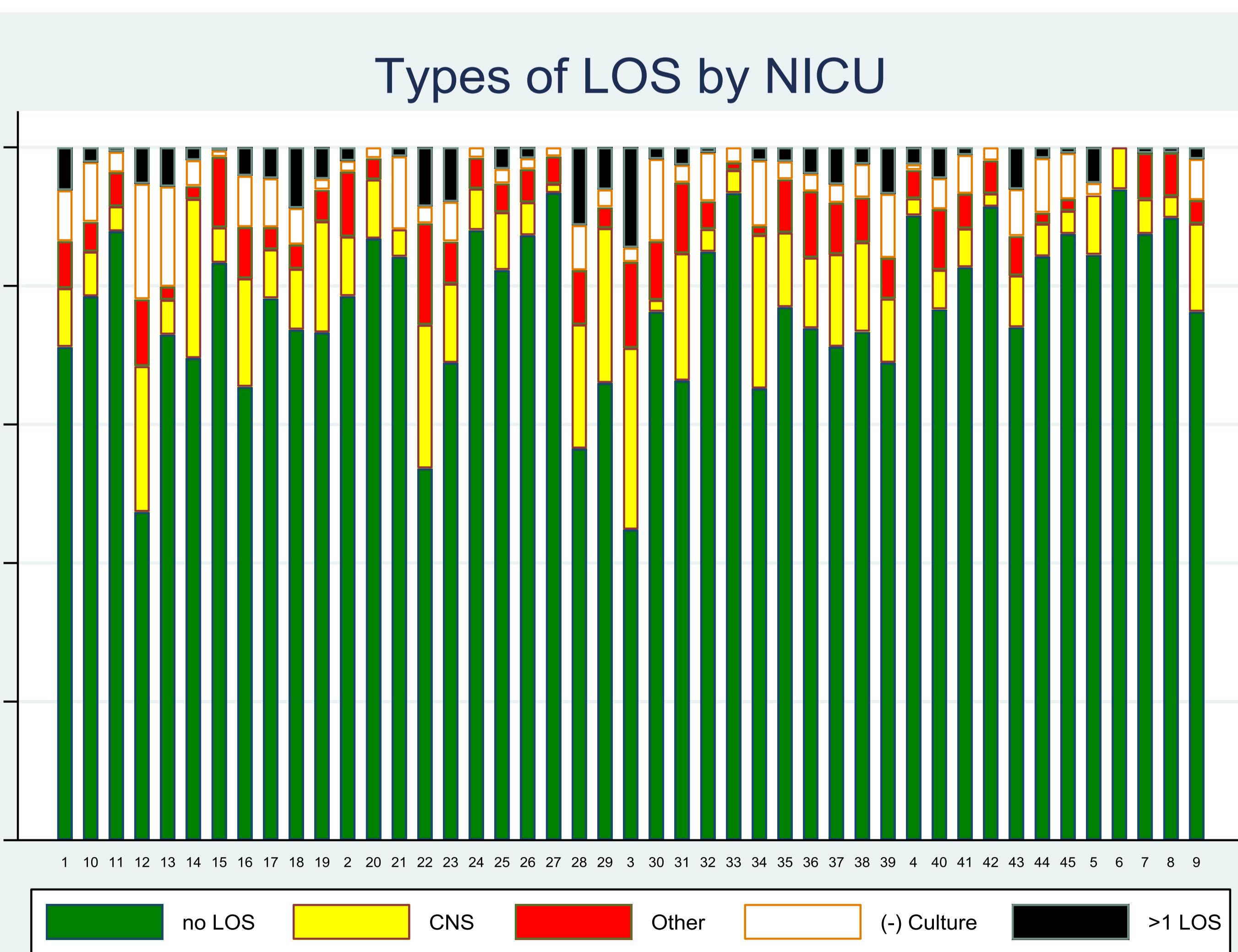
Patient characteristics	No LOS (n=6,117)	CNS LOS (n=822)	Other LOS (n=491)	(-) culture LOS (n=387)	p-value ¹	p-value ²
Birthweight (grams)	1,179.7 (249.2)	1,005.6 (251.9)	964.8 (262.3)	991.1 (256.9)	<0.001	0.020
Gestational age (weeks)	29.8 (2.7)	28.2 (2.6)	27.5 (2.5)	27.9 (2.4)	<0.001	<0.001
Length of stay at NICU (days)	32.8 (16.0)	45.6 (19.0)	43.9 (22.5)	43.9 (20.8)	<0.001	0.250
Days with central lines	9.9 (9.1)	19.8 (11.4)	21.2 (14.0)	19.0 (12.3)	<0.001	0.027
Days with peripheral lines ³	0 (0-3)	2 (0-8)	3 (0-11)	2 (0-8)	<0.001	0.064
Days with antibiotic ³	4 (0-8)	15 (10-21)	17 (12-25)	14 (10-19)	<0.001	<0.001
Time to sepsis (days)		12.1 (7.6)	14.2 (10.4)	14.4 (10.4)		<0.001

Outcomes	No LOS (n=6,117)	CNS LOS (n=822)	Other LOS (n=491)	(-) culture LOS (n=387)	p-value ¹	p-value ²
Short-time mortality n. (%)	367 (6.0)	41 (5.0)	96 (19.6)	52 (13.4)	<0.001	<0.001
NEC n (%)	73 (3.4)	28 (9.5)	19 (12.1)	22 (15.2)	<0.001	0.214
Severe IVH n(%)	120 (2.0)	20 (2.4)	18 (3.7)	14 (3.6)	0.016	0.349
Severe PVL n(%)	43 (0.7)	6 (0.7)	4 (0.8)	2 (0.5)	0.962	0.866
BPD n(%)	135 (8.1)	60 (23.7)	41 (34.8)	23 (21.9)	<0.001	0.043

¹ comparisons across all four groups; ² comparisons across groups with one LOS episode; ³ median (Q1-Q3)

Outcomes	Other LOS	(-) culture LOS
Short-time mortality	4.2 (2.8-6.3)	3.2 (2.0-5.0)
NEC	1.1 (0.6-2.2)	1.6 (0.8-3.2)
Severe IVH	1.3 (0.6-2.5)	1.6 (0.8-3.3)
Severe PVL	1.0 (0.3-3.6)	0.6 (0.1-3.2)
BPD	1.5 (0.9-2.8)	0.9 (0.5-1.7)

aOR (Odds Ratios adjusted for gestational age, birthweight, gender, delivery type, multiple delivery, level of NICU care); **Level of reference:** CNS related sepsis; **NEC:** Necrotizing Enterocolitis; **IVH:** Intraventricular Haemorrhage; **PVL:** Periventricular Leukomalacia; **BPD:** Bronchopulmonary Dysplasia



Conclusions: CNS related sepsis develop earlier and are associated with lower short-term mortality.

They do not seem to be associated with lower short-term morbidity as compared to sepsis caused by other germs or culture negative sepsis.

There are substantial variability across NICUs in the frequency of CNS related sepsis



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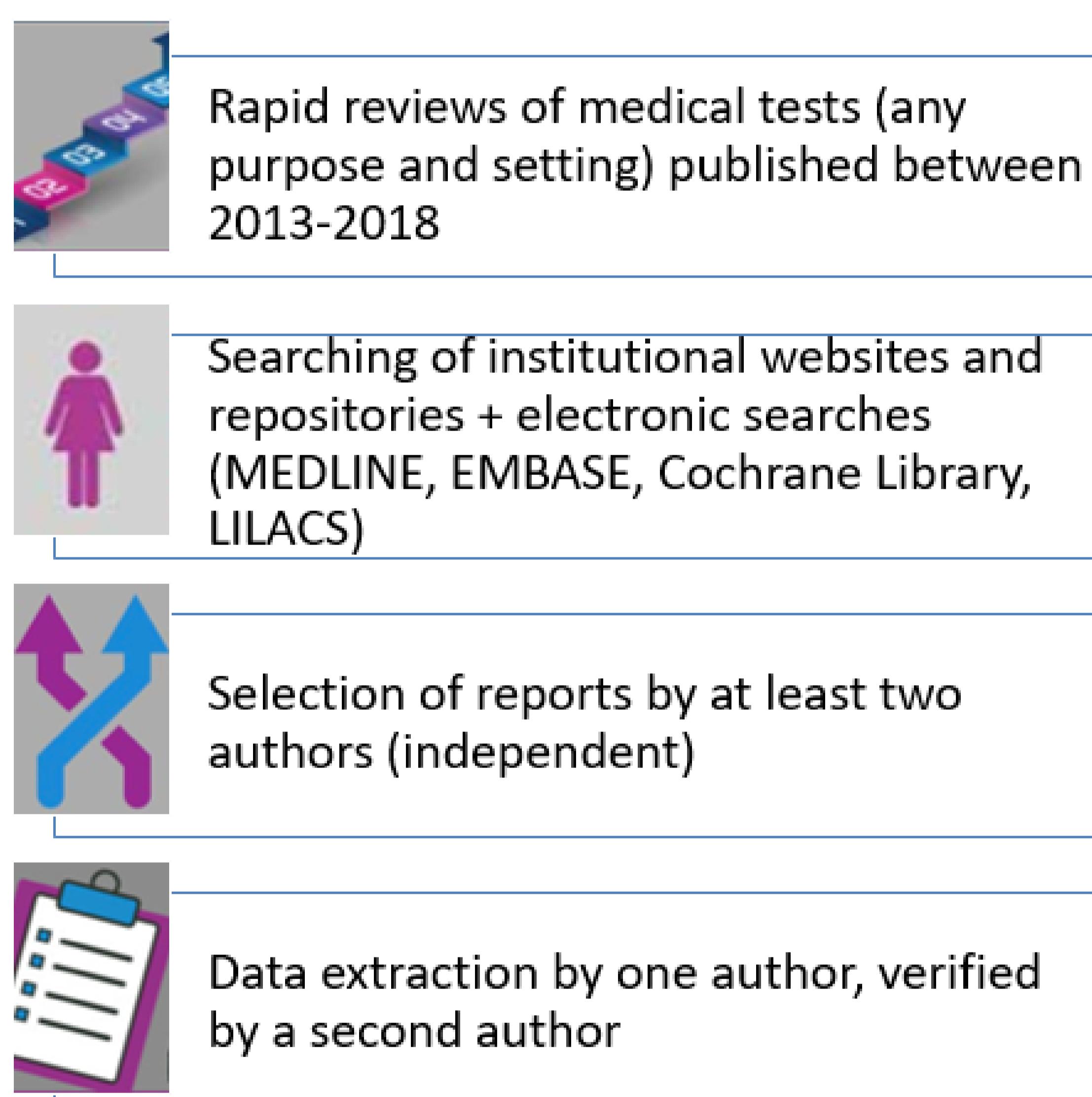
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AIM

We aimed to identify recently published rapid reviews of medical tests and to describe their characteristics and methods. This exploration may also help to identify shortcomings of current rapid reviews and needs for future research.

METHODS



RESULTS

We identified 191 rapid reviews. All reviews were developed within a short time (≤ 12 months) and were relatively concise (≤ 10 pages). The reviews involved multiple index tests (44%), multiple outcomes (88%), and several test applications (29%).

A. Narrowing the scope	• Limiting the number of populations, interventions and outcomes considered	Multiple index tests, multiple outcomes, multiple applications
B. Parallelisation of tasks	• Increasing the intensity of work on review processes where multiple reviewers simultaneously complete review steps	Insufficient information
C. Using review shortcuts	• One or more systematic review steps may be reduced or omitted	Comprehensive search strategies, no MA
D. Automating review steps	• Developing, adapting and using new technologies to fast-track the standard systematic review steps	Insufficient information

WHAT IS NEW?

KEY FINDINGS

- Most rapid reviews were broad in scope and assessed multiple index tests, outcomes, and test applications. In general, well-known methodological tailoring strategies, such as setting limits for literature searching by date or language or searching a single database, were rarely used.
- Information about parallelisation of tasks and the use of automated approaches was infrequently reported.

WHAT THIS ADDS TO WHAT WAS KNOWN?

Rapid reviews of medical tests have many of the same characteristics and use similar methods as those of standard systematic reviews. However, we found that several critical items for rapid reviews were infrequently reported.

WHAT IS THE IMPLICATION AND WHAT SHOULD CHANGE NOW?

- Standards for reporting of rapid reviews are needed. Those standards would cover the essential items that should be included in every rapid review.
- Further research should inform the most appropriate methods for performing rapid reviews of medical tests.

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Nuevo factor de riesgo de mortalidad en una cohorte poblacional: Consumo de ultraprocesados

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INTRODUCCIÓN

El estudio DRECE (Dieta y Riesgo de Enfermedades Cardiovasculares en España) se inició en 1991 con el objetivo de conocer el perfil lipídico, la prevalencia de factores de riesgo cardiovasculares (FRCV) en la población española y su relación con hábitos dietéticos.

Las investigaciones actuales relacionadas con la dieta, la nutrición y la salud basan sus hallazgos y recomendaciones en el perfil nutricional y la composición química de los alimentos. Sin embargo, el tema del procesamiento de los alimentos se ignora o minimiza en gran medida. Los **alimentos ultraprocesados** son productos elaborados en su mayoría o en su totalidad a partir de sustancias extraídas o derivados de los alimentos. En 2016 Monteiro & Col. publican NOVA, un nuevo sistema de clasificación de alimentos que divide los alimentos en cuatro grupos según su grado de procesamiento.



Figura 1. Clasificación de alimentos según NOVA

OBJETIVO

Actualizar los factores de riesgo en la población española y consumo de alimentos ultraprocesados, de acuerdo a la clasificación NOVA

MÉTODOS

- ⇒ En este estudio se incluyó una cohorte de 4787 personas, estratificadas por sexo y edad, entre 5 y 59 años, seleccionadas de forma aleatoria en todo el territorio nacional. Anualmente, el Instituto Nacional de Estadística (INE) proporciona, por convenio, el listados de mortalidad por causas.
- ⇒ Las **tasas de mortalidad** se estimaron por regresión de Poisson, ajustando por edad, sexo y años de seguimiento
- ⇒ El consumo de ultraprocesados se determinó a través del **cuestionario de dieta validado** de la cohorte histórica DRECE, utilizando la clasificación NOVA para categorizar los alimentos y obtener las kcal consumidas de cada uno de los 4 grupos
- ⇒ Se utilizó la **regresión de riesgos proporcionales de Cox** para evaluar la relación entre la mortalidad general y los diferentes factores de riesgo. El modelo multivariante final fue construido considerando todos aquellos factores que habían tenido significación estadística en el análisis bivariante, y aquellos con especial relevancia clínica. Se excluyeron los factores de antecedentes personales o familiares en el modelo multivariante. Se calculó el **Hazard Ratio (HR)** junto con el intervalo de confianza de Wald.
- ⇒ Todos los análisis fueron llevados a cabo usando Software SAS, versión 9.4 para Windows (2017)

RESULTADOS

Tras la actualización de los datos en 2017, los sujetos tenían edades comprendidas entre 32 y 87 años. Fallecieron 462 sujetos, 301 varones y 161 mujeres. La tasa de mortalidad global fue de 3,68 por 1000 habitantes/año, para los hombres, la tasa de mortalidad de 4,96 por 1000 habitantes/año y para las mujeres una tasa de mortalidad de 2,48 por 1000 habitantes/año.

Según la clasificación NOVA, el consumo de ultraprocesados (Grupo 4) representaba el 23,01% de las Kcal totales ingeridas; mientras que el consumo de comida no procesada representaba el 36,73% del total (Figura 2).

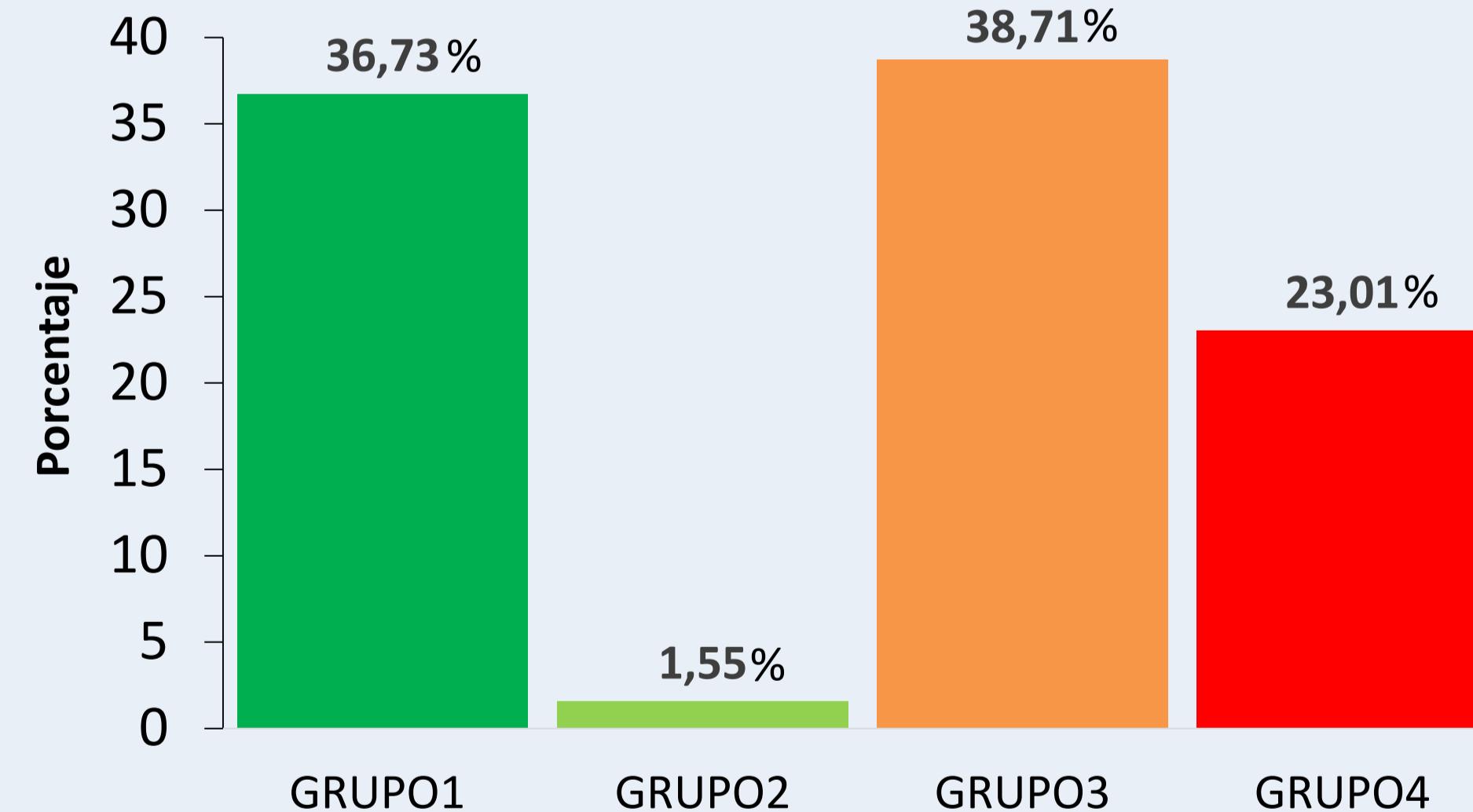


Figura 2. Consumo de ultraprocesados en España según NOVA

Factores de riesgo	HR (IC95%)
Edad	1,10 (1,09-1,11)
Sexo (Hombre)	1,89 (1,54-2,34)
Creatinina > 1,5 mg/dL	3,09 (1,64-5,85)
Diabetes	1,75 (1,34-2,66)
HTA	1,24 (1,01-1,53)
Tabaco	1,42 (1,16-1,75)
Ultraprocesados	1,53 (1,12-2,09)

Tabla 1. Factores de riesgo en la mortalidad

El análisis crudo con los principales factores de riesgo asociados a la mortalidad se observó una fuerte asociación en factores de antecedentes personales o familiares, la creatinina >1,5 mg/dL, sexo y diabetes. En el análisis final se hallaron 7 factores (Tabla 1). El índice C obtenido para el modelo fue 0,71.

CONCLUSIÓN

Los factores de riesgo asociados a mortalidad siguen siendo similares a los análisis previos de la cohorte realizados durante los 27 años de seguimiento, con la excepción de un nuevo componente: el consumo de los ultraprocesados, que representan una parte importante de las calorías consumidas en muchos países.

Los resultados obtenidos en el análisis de supervivencia sugieren que un **mayor consumo de alimentos ultraprocesados se asocia con un mayor riesgo de mortalidad** por cualquier causa, que concuerda con hallazgos previos.

Nuestros hallazgos refuerzan la evidencia existente sobre el **impacto negativo** de los alimentos ultraprocesados en la mortalidad global.

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