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The PERSEIDS study provides updated and detailed epidemiological data for ILDs across six European countries. Prevalences ranged between 26.7-236.8 (F-ILDs), 2.8-31.0 (IPF), 22.3-205.8 (non-IPF F-ILDs). A third of non-IPF F-ILD cases showed PF-behaviour.

ABSTRACT

The PERSEIDS study aimed to estimate incidence/prevalence of interstitial lung diseases (ILDs), fibrosing Interstitial lung diseases (F-ILDs), idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF), systemic sclerosis-associated ILD (SSc-ILD), other non-IPF F-ILDs and their progressive-fibrosing (PF) forms in six European countries, as current data are scarce.

This retrospective, two-phase study used aggregate data (2014-2018). In Phase 1, incident/prevalent cases of ILDs above were identified from clinical databases through an algorithm based on codes/keywords, and incidence/prevalence was estimated. For non-IPF F-ILDs, the relative percentage of subtypes was also determined. In Phase 2, a subset of non-IPF F-ILD cases was manually reviewed to determine the percentage of PF behaviour and usual interstitial pneumonia-like (UIP-like) pattern. A weighted mean percentage of progression was calculated for each country and used to extrapolate incidence/prevalence of progressive-fibrosing ILDs (PF-ILDs).

In 2018, incidence/ 10^5 person-years ranged between 9.4-83.6(ILDs), 7.7-76.2(F-ILDs), 0.4-10.3(IPF), 6.6-71.7(non-IPF F-ILDs) and 0.3-1.5(SSc-ILD); and prevalence/ 10^5 persons ranged between 33.6-247.4(ILDs), 26.7-236.8(F-ILDs), 2.8-31.0(IPF), 22.3-205.8(non-IPF F-ILDs) and 1.4-10.1(SSc-ILD). Among non-IPF F-ILDs, sarcoidosis was the most frequent subtype. PF behaviour and UIP-like pattern were present in a third of non-IPF F-ILD cases each and hypersensitivity pneumonitis showed the highest percentage of progressive behaviour. Incidence of PF-ILDs ranged between 2.1-14.5/ 10^5 person-years, and prevalence between 6.9-78.0/ 10^5 persons.

To our knowledge, PERSEIDS is the first study assessing incidence, prevalence and rate of progression of ILDs across several European countries. Still below the threshold for orphan diseases, the estimates obtained were higher and more variable than reported in previous studies, but differences in study design/population must be considered.

INTRODUCTION

Interstitial lung diseases (ILDs) display varying degrees of inflammation, fibrosis or both, and a wide range of clinical courses and prognoses. Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF) is the prototypic progressive-fibrosing ILD (PF-ILD), characterised by a usual interstitial pneumonia (UIP) pattern on high-resolution computed tomography (HRCT) or lung biopsy.[1] Its PF behaviour is associated with a significant reduction in quality of life and early mortality.[2, 3] Although the introduction of antifibrotics in the last decade has improved survival among patients with IPF to a median of 5 years, it remains the ILD with the worst prognosis.[4] Non-IPF F-ILDs may have a prognosis similar to IPF when progression and/or UIP are present.[5] Progression of non-IPF F-ILDs has been associated to higher healthcare resource use and worst quality of life.[6] Of non-IPF F-ILD subtypes, systemic sclerosis-associated ILD (SSc-ILD) is of particular interest as it presents early in the disease course[7] and impacts both mortality and quality of life.[8, 9] Despite their major impact on mortality, quality of life and resource use, in Europe the epidemiological data available for ILDs and particularly their PF forms is scarce.[10, 11] Therefore, the primary aim of the PERSEIDS study was to obtain detailed information on the epidemiology of ILDs in six European countries.

DESIGN AND METHODS

Retrospective, database study with a two-phase design (Figure 1) conducted in pulmonary and rheumatology departments at 14 centres in Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Greece, Norway and Portugal (Table1). The study was based on data collected between 01-January-2014 and 31-December-2018, which was extracted between 15-May-2019 and 31-Aug-2020. As only aggregate data was used, the Ethics Committee at each centre issued a waiver for informed consent.

Phase 1

The main objective was to investigate the annual incidence and prevalence of ILDs and their time trends over the study period. The focus was placed on F-ILDs as these show a greater risk of progression, but the epidemiology of non-F-ILDs was also assessed to provide a broad picture of ILDs in the participating countries. The primary outcome was crude incidence/prevalence of ILDs, F-ILDs, IPF, non-IPF F-ILDs, and SSc-ILD by country and overall, for the whole study period and annually. Secondary outcomes were (a) crude incidence/prevalence of non-IPF F-ILD subtypes (other than SSc-ILD), including ILDs associated to rheumatoid arthritis (RA-ILD), mixed connective tissue diseases (mixed CTD-ILDs) and other connective tissue diseases (other CTD-ILDs), idiopathic non-specific interstitial pneumonia (INSIP), unclassifiable idiopathic interstitial pneumonias (uIIPs), hypersensitivity pneumonitis (HP), exposure-related ILDs, sarcoidosis, and other F-ILDs; (b) relative percentage of each non-IPF F-ILD subtype; and (c) crude incidence/prevalence of non-fibrosing ILDs (non-F-ILDs).

To identify incident/prevalent cases of ILD, 10 of the 13 centres participating in Phase 1 conducted a systematic search of the institution's clinical database (9 electronic records, 1 paper), and the remaining 3 in other clinical databases (departmental database, regional registry and national registry, respectively) (Table 1). The search encompassed all patients ≥ 18 years old listed in the database/registry at each year of the study period. To adapt to each centre's coding particularities, ILD cases could be identified by either 9th/10th revision of International Classification of Diseases (ICD-9/ICD-10) codes, local codes and/or keywords (Table 1 and Supplementary Material Section A). These codes/keywords were searched in all centres following a common algorithm, specifically designed to classify cases in ILD subtypes and subsequently, in overarching ILD categories while avoiding duplicates (Supplementary Material, sFigure 1). The methodology for obtaining prevalence/incidence estimates (minimum and maximum), as well as alternative methods and adjustments applied due to centre/country

particularities, are detailed in the Supplementary Material (Section B). The relative percentages of non-IPF F-ILD subtypes were obtained by dividing the prevalent cases of each subtype by total prevalent cases of non-IPF F-ILD.

Table 1. Characteristics of the participating centres

Country	Centre	Centre level ^a	Reference centre	Department	Phase	Data source Phase 1	Algorithm based on	Incident cases reported for	Prevalent cases reported for	Cases reviewed in Phase 2
Belgium	Leuven University Hospital	Tertiary	Yes	Pulmonary	2	NA	NA	NA	NA	100
	Ghent University Hospital	Tertiary	Only for SSC-ILD ^b	Rheumatology	1 + 2	Departmental database	NA	2015-2018	2014-2018	100
	Liege University Hospital Centre	Tertiary	No	Pulmonary ^c	1	Institutional database (EMR)	ICD-10 Keywords	2014-2018	2014-2018	NA
Denmark	Lillebælt Hospital	Tertiary	No	Pulmonary	1 + 2	National registry ^d	Local codes	2014-2017	2014-2017	100
Finland	Turku University Hospital	Secondary	Yes	Pulmonary	1 + 2	Regional registry ^e	ICD-10 Keywords	2014-2018	2014-2018	166
Greece	Heraklion University Hospital	Tertiary	Yes	Pulmonary	1	Institutional database (EMR)	ICD-10 Keywords	2014-2018	2014-2018	NA
	University Hospital of Larissa	Tertiary	Yes	Pulmonary ^c	1 + 2	Institutional database (EMR)	ICD-10 Keywords	2014-2018	2014-2018	118
	General Hospital of Thessaloniki	Tertiary	Yes	Pulmonary	1 + 2	Institutional database (Paper records)	ICD-10	2014-2018	2014-2018	100

Country	Centre	Centre level ^a	Reference centre	Department	Phase	Data source Phase 1	Algorithm based on	Incident cases reported for	Prevalent cases reported for	Cases reviewed in Phase 2
	Athens Medical Centre	Secondary	Yes	Pulmonary	1 + 2	Institutional database (EMR)	ICD-10 Keywords	2015-2018	2015-2018	100
Norway	Oslo University Hospital	Tertiary	Yes	Rheumatology ^c	1 + 2	Institutional database (EMR)	ICD-10	2015-2018	2014-2018	153
	Coimbra Hospital and University Centre	Tertiary	Yes	Pulmonary ^c	1	Institutional database (EMR)	Keywords	2018	2018	NA
	São João University Hospital Centre	Tertiary	Yes	Pulmonary ^c	1 + 2	Institutional database (EMR)	ICD-10 Keywords	2014-2018	2014-2018	131
Portugal	Vila Nova de Gaia/Espinho Hospital Centre	Tertiary	No	Pulmonary ^c	1	Institutional database (EMR)	Keywords	2014-2018	2018	NA
	Beatriz Ângelo Hospital	Secondary	No	Pulmonary	1 + 2	Institutional database (EMR)	ICD-9 Keywords	2014-2018	2014-2018	159

^aSecondary: specialized centres receiving referrals from Primary Care. Tertiary: specialized centres with recognized expertise, receiving referrals from both Primary Care and secondary centres.

^bThis was a reference centre for SSc-ILD, and only provided data for this condition. A systematic search was not required as a departmental database was available that included all patients with SSc-ILD presenting for assessment during each year. ^cThe department could retrieve most cases of ILD managed at the centre. ^dDanish National Patient Registry.[12] As the coverage of the database was wider than that of Lillebælt Hospital, the manual review of Phase 2 was limited to patients listed in the Hospital's database. ^eHospital District of Southwest Finland Database. The data was extracted by the Auria Centre for Clinical informatics at Turku University Hospital.[13] The coverage area of the database matched that of the Turku University Hospital.

Abbreviations: EMR, electronic medical records; ICD-9/-10, International classification of diseases 9th/10th revision; ILDs, interstitial lung disease; NA, not applicable; SSc-ILD, systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease.

Phase 2

The aim was to further characterise non-IPF F-ILDs. The primary outcome was the relative percentage of cases within each non-IPF F-ILD subtype presenting PF behaviour alone (without UIP-like pattern), UIP-like pattern alone (without PF behaviour), both PF behaviour and UIP-like pattern, and none of them, overall for all countries. Secondary outcomes included (a) crude prevalence/incidence of PF-ILDs by country and overall, for the whole study period and annually; (b) positive predictive value (PPV) of the algorithm used in Phase 1, by centre and country; and (c) adjusted (by PPV) values for incidence/prevalence estimates obtained in both study phases.

Each of the 10 centres participating in Phase 2 reviewed the medical records of their first 100 prevalent non-IPF F-ILD cases identified in Phase 1, sorted by date of healthcare encounter from 01-January-2016 onwards.

The review encompassed the pulmonary function tests and HRCT results available in each patient's file, and either confirmed (true positive) or ruled out (false positive) the presence of the fibrosing (non-IPF) condition. The primary outcome was determined on true positives, and it was calculated that at least 80 were required to reach enough precision (Supplementary Material, Section C). If necessary, centres could review additional cases to the first 100 until reaching this number. These additional cases were considered when calculating the relative percentages of the primary outcome.

For the primary outcome, PF behaviour was defined as a relative decline $\geq 10\%$ in forced vital capacity (FVC% predicted) within the 2-year period following the healthcare encounter, or between 5 and $<10\%$ but with any of the following: ≥ 1 ILD-related hospitalization (excluding emergency visits), increasing extent of fibrosis on HRCT, starting or increasing oxygen use, or death due to respiratory event. Due to the lack of uniformly accepted criteria for PF-ILD, the use of relative decline in forced vital capacity was based on previously published expert recommendations.[14] The definition used for UIP-like pattern essentially equated to a UIP or

probable UIP pattern: honeycomb lung destruction with basal and peripheral predominance in the absence of atypical features, and/or presence of reticular abnormality and traction bronchiectasis consistent with fibrosis with basal and peripheral predominance in the absence of atypical features. The incidence/prevalence of PF-ILDs in each country was obtained by multiplying non-IPF F-ILD incidence/prevalence estimates by the country percentage of PF behaviour. A weighted percentage was used to account for overrepresentation of certain subtypes in reference centres, and for differences in the proportion of PF behaviour among subtypes. To obtain the weighted percentage, the number of cases of each subtype were divided by total cases of non-IPF F-ILD and multiplied by the percentage of progression of the subtype (pooled for all countries), and results for all subtypes were summed.

True and false positives obtained during the Phase 2 review were also used to assess the specificity of the search algorithm at each centre, by calculating its PPV. The PPV was obtained by dividing true positives by the sum of true positives and false positives. Only the first 100 prevalent cases reviewed at each centre (not additional ones, if any) were considered. PPVs of centres in each country were averaged to obtain a country PPV. Simple (not weighted) averages were calculated under the assumption that each centre's PPV contributed equally to the country average.

Finally, to account for possible overestimation of incidences/prevalences arising from the use of codes and/or keywords in the systematic search, crude estimates for each country were multiplied by the country PPV to obtain adjusted estimates. Some exceptions to this methodology were made based on country particularities (Supplementary Material, Section D).

Statistical methods

Sample size considerations are presented in the Supplementary Material (Section C). Continuous variables were summarised as means and standard deviations; or medians, ranges and interquartile ranges (IQR). Categorical variables were summarised as absolute and relative

frequencies, and 95% confidence intervals (95%CI). Pairwise comparisons were conducted to assess differences in the percentage of progression between non-IPF F-ILD subtypes and centre levels (secondary vs. tertiary). Significance was set at the 0.05 level.

Missing values were completed when possible (see Supplementary Material, Section B, *Alternative methods and adjustments*). When not, estimates were obtained based on available data.

The sensitivity analyses performed, and their corresponding statistical methods, are described in the Supplementary Material (Section E).

RESULTS

Positive predictive value for the search algorithm

The PPV was >70% in all countries except for Finland (49%). The centre/country PPVs are provided in the Supplementary Material (Supplementary Material, sTable 1).

Incidence and prevalence of ILDs

In 2018, the latest year assessed, the lowest (minimum adjusted by PPV) incidence estimates for ILDs, F-ILDs, non-IPF F-ILDs and SSc-ILD were obtained in Portugal, and for IPF in Denmark. The highest (maximum crude) incidence estimates for ILDs, F-ILDs and non-IPF F-ILDs were obtained in Belgium, for IPF in Denmark and for SSc-ILD in Norway. The overall (average for all countries) incidence (cases /10⁵ person-years) ranged between 20.0-42.5 (ILDs), 17.9-38.3 (F-ILDs), 2.1-6.3 (IPF), 14.7-33.9 (non-IPF F-ILDs) and 0.5-1.0 (SSc-ILD) (Supplementary Material, sTable 2). The annual prevalences of ILDs in each country are presented from Figure 2 to Figure 5 and in sFigure 2 of the Supplementary Material. The overall prevalence (cases/10⁵ persons) ranged between 72.1-164.2 (ILDs), 66.8-152.6 (F-ILDs), 7.8-24.3 (IPF), 56.2-132.0 (non-IPF F-ILDs) and 2.8-5.7 (SSc-ILD). Throughout the study period, incidence/prevalence were generally stable

within each country, with few exceptions in Finland, Belgium and Greece (Supplementary Material, sTable 2 and sTable 3).

Incidence and prevalence of non-IPF F-ILD subtypes

Figure 6 shows the lowest and highest incidence/prevalence estimates for non-IPF F-ILD subtypes found across countries in 2018. Incidences remained generally stable throughout the study period within each country, though seemed to decrease for exposure-related ILDs in Finland and to increase for other F-ILDs in Belgium, with prevalences changing accordingly. Other apparent changes in prevalence were an increase of other F-ILD in Denmark and sarcoidosis in Belgium and Portugal, and a decrease of sarcoidosis in Norway. The remaining prevalence estimates were rather constant (Supplementary Material, sTable 4 and sTable 5).

Relative percentage of non-IPF F-ILD subtypes

In 2018, sarcoidosis was the most frequent non-IPF F-ILD subtype in most countries (52.6% Denmark, 39.2% Finland, 36.1% Portugal and 25.6% Greece), except for Belgium (RA-ILD, 46.0%) and Norway (other F-ILD, 20.8%). In these two countries, however, sarcoidosis was the second most common subtype (15.6% in Belgium; 14.8% in Norway, along with 14.9% of other CTD). In the remaining countries, the second most common subtypes were other F-ILDs (24.3% Denmark), exposure-related ILDs (21.2% Finland), and HP (22.2% Portugal, 18.0% Greece). The most prevalent conditions within the other F-ILD category were only assessed in Denmark; in 2017, they were unspecified ILDs (DJ849, 49.5%) and other ILDs with fibrosis (DJ841, 37.6%). Relative percentages annually and for the whole study period are provided in the Supplementary Material, sTable 6.

Incidence and prevalence of non-F-ILDs

The minimum adjusted/maximum crude incidence of non-F-ILDs by country and overall, for the whole study period and annually is shown in Supplementary Material, sTable 7.

Relative percentage of PF behaviour and UIP-like pattern

Absolute numbers and relative percentages of non-IPF F-ILD subtypes are shown in Figure 7 (panels A and B) and full data is provided in the Supplementary Material, sTable 8. Of total non-IPF F-ILD cases, approximately a third showed PF behaviour; 43% of these had a UIP-like pattern (Figure 7, panel C). Of note, the non-IPF F-ILD case-mix in Phase 2 was different from Phase 1, with more HP, SSc-ILD, uIIP and iNSIP cases reviewed in Phase 2 compared to the relative distribution of subtypes in Phase 1. Also, the case-mix was different in tertiary centres versus secondary, with more RA-ILD and SSc-ILD cases reviewed in the former. Pairwise comparisons revealed significant differences in the percentage of PF behaviour between subtypes (Supplementary Material, sTable 9), but not between tertiary and secondary centres ($p=0.6181$).

Incidence and prevalence of PF-ILDs

The incidence in 2018 across the participating countries, assessed with the primary methodology, is shown in Figure 8. The overall incidence ranged between 4.4-8.6/10⁵ person-years and prevalence between 15.8-40.0/10⁵ persons. In the Supplementary Material, sTable 10 (incidence) and sTable 11 (prevalence) show the widest variability observed in the primary and sensitivity analyses, annually and for the whole study period. Within each country, the results of the sensitivity analyses were very similar, and the results for the primary analysis were within the range defined by sensitivity analyses. The I²-statistic obtained in the random effects model for Method 3 (90%) (see Supplementary Material, section E) revealed substantial heterogeneity in PF behaviour among countries.

DISCUSSION

PERSEIDS addressed the paucity of detailed and updated incidence/prevalence data for ILDs and its PF forms. The study has various strengths: the parallel implementation in six countries and the participation of both rheumatology and pulmonology units provides a broad, contemporaneous picture of the burden of ILDs across countries and grants a study population

large enough to obtain sufficiently precise initial estimates. Also, the period of 5 years considered was wide enough to observe temporal trends and between-country differences.

The few epidemiological studies on ILDs conducted so far in countries participating in PERSEIDS show quite homogeneous estimates. Incidence data were available for Belgium ($1.0/10^5$ persons/year in 1998),^[15] Greece ($4.63/10^5$ persons/year in 2004),^[16] Denmark ($19.36-34.34/10^5$ person-years between 1995-2005, 3.8-6.6 per 10^5 /year between 2003-2009)^[17, 18], and the Nordics including Finland and Norway ($1.4-20.0/10^5$ persons/year in 2009).^[19] The Belgian and Greek studies above also provided prevalence estimates for ILDs ($6.27/10^5$ and $17.3/10^5$ respectively).^[16, 20] In contrast, PERSEIDS estimates were higher and more variable among countries. IPF incidence estimates available so far for Belgium ($0.22/10^5$ /year), Greece ($0.93/10^5$ /year), Denmark ($7.27/10^5$ person-years between 1995-2005 and $1.3/10^5$ /year between 2003-2009) and the Nordics ($0.4-10/10^5$ /year) were lower than in PERSEIDS, as was IPF prevalence reported previously for Belgium ($1.25/10^5$) and Greece ($3.38/10^5$).^[16–20] A Norwegian nationwide cohort study estimated the incidence of SSc-ILD at $1.0-1.3/10^5$ persons between 2005-2012 and the prevalence at $13/10^5$ persons in 2013,^[21] both in line with PERSEIDS estimates for Norway. Nevertheless, comparing the results of prior studies with PERSEIDS' is difficult due to several differences in data collection periods, data sources, population composition/size, disease definitions, diagnostic criteria, availability of HRCT scans, specialists involved or even the ILDs considered. Of note, despite the comparatively higher estimates, in PERSEIDS the overall prevalence of individual ILD subtypes (IPF and non-IPF F-ILDs) remained below the European Union threshold for orphan diseases ($50/10^5$ persons^[22]).

Highest maximum crude estimates for ILDs, F-ILDs and non-IPF F-ILDs were consistently found in Belgium, and lowest in Portugal. Multiple factors may explain these findings. In Belgium, Liege Hospital was the only centre providing data for all ILDs in Phase 1. As rheumatological ILDs are referred to this centre from all over the country, we adjusted the reference population in these

ILDs only. However, non-rheumatological referrals cannot be ruled out, so there may have been overestimation of these conditions and of the overarching ILD categories. Other contributing factors may be the concentration of heavy industries in the province of Limburg[20] and the high percentage of smokers among the Belgian population.[23] As for Portugal, the largest city (Lisbon) was not represented, and most patients with ILD are routinely managed in several hospitals in this country, maybe hindering the ability of the participating centres to identify incident/prevalent cases more accurately. The prevalence of other F-ILDs was high in Denmark, probably because the nationwide, comprehensive search conducted had a greater potential to detect these subtypes. For IPF, interestingly, the highest and lowest incidence estimates were consistently observed in the same country (Denmark) throughout the study period. In this country, maximum incidence was obtained based on incident cases identified by the systematic search (probably overestimated due to coding issues) and minimum incidence based on down-adjusted incident cases (see Supplementary Material, Section B). The extent of overestimation and the strictness of the adjustment applied may explain the highest/lowest estimates compared to other countries.

Incidence of ILDs was relatively high compared to prevalence. This may point to a high mortality rate; but there may be other factors contributing, such as the aged population structure in Europe[17] and a better ascertainment of ILDs,[24] in part due to an increasing use of HRCT.[25] Throughout the study period, incidence/prevalence were rather constant in most countries. The changes observed in Finland and Belgium seemed mainly driven by non-IPF F-ILDs, with exposure-related ILDs showing a downward trend in Finland, and other F-ILD and sarcoidosis increasing in Belgium. This suggests changes in occupational exposure and in ILDs classification. In Greece, the increasing prevalence (but not incidence) of F-ILD seemed to be driven by both IPF and non-IPF F-ILDs, perhaps pointing to improved survival. The relevance of these trends is not clear, as the study was not designed to assess the statistical significance of changes throughout the study period.

The relative distribution of non-IPF F-ILDs subtypes observed may help clinicians discern which patients should be screened for ILDs, to achieve prompt diagnoses and improved outcomes; and for the most prevalent subtypes, should trigger the development of proper recommendations for management, as they are currently lacking except for SSc-ILD.[26] In most countries, sarcoidosis was the most frequent subtype, as reported previously.[10, 16, 20] The exceptions were Belgium (RA-ILD) and Norway (other F-ILD). In Belgium, the only centre providing data for all subtypes in Phase 1 (Liège) was of reference for rheumatological ILDs (including RA-ILD), while in Norway, “other F-ILD” may have included other ILD subtypes due to the coding issues described in the Supplementary Material. The expected bias was reduced by using wider reference populations for calculating incidence/prevalence, applying a different PPV to rheumatological ILDs (Liège), and estimating F-ILDs incidence/prevalence based on data from surrounding countries (Norway), but some bias may have remained. The high percentage of exposure-related ILDs in Finland may obey to its prominent ship building industry,[27] extensively using asbestos throughout the 20th century.[28] The exposure-diagnosis lag-time may explain the still high proportion of exposure-related ILDs, while the effect of asbestos bans may be behind the progressive incidence/prevalence reduction observed in PERSEIDS. In Portugal, the high percentage of HP may be partly explained by the importance of cork industry and widespread practice of pigeon breeding,[29, 30] both associated with HP.[31–33] The incidence of some non-IPF F-ILD subtypes exceeded that of IPF (sarcoidosis in most countries, but also other F-ILD in Belgium and Denmark, and iNSIP and uIP in Belgium). The refinement of IPF definition and the improvement of diagnostic procedures in later years,[34] may have reduced misdiagnoses of non-IPF F-ILDs as IPF, and is expected to further increase non-IPF F-ILDs estimates in the future.

Sarcoidosis was the most frequent non-IPF F-ILD subtype in Phase 1. Though rarely fibrotic in early stages, sarcoidosis was included among non-IPF F-ILDs in PERSEIDS because fibrosis ultimately affects 20% of patients with stage IV disease.[14] The codes/keywords used for sarcoidosis in Phase 1 were specific for lung involvement but could not discern between fibrotic and non-fibrotic disease, probably resulting in overestimated crude incidence/prevalence. This was later amended by the HRCT review in Phase 2, where false fibrotic cases were detected and accounted for (through the PPV) to adjust incidence/prevalence estimates for ILDs and PF-ILDs. The high proportion of PF behaviour in Phase 2 may be partly explained by differences in case-mix, which in Phase 2 favoured more progressive subtypes. PF behaviour definition in PERSEIDS was similar to the one used in the INBUILD trial[35]; but being a retrospective study it was difficult to assess worsening of symptoms in patients with a moderate FVC decline (5-<10% predicted). In these patients, surrogates such as hospitalizations and increasing fibrosis were used instead. PF behaviour was present in 30% of non-IPF F-ILD cases, as observed in the recent French PROGRESS study among patients not receiving antifibrotic treatment.[36] The percentage of PF behaviour among individual subtypes was generally consistent with that reported previously[10, 36, 37] except for SSc-ILD, though differences in PF behaviour definition must be considered.[38] Overall, PERSEIDS results point at subtypes more prone to progression (HP, other F-ILDs, uIIP and iNSIP) which could benefit most from a thorough follow-up and antifibrotic treatment. The proportion of UIP-like pattern in PERSEIDS was highest among SSc-ILD patients (70%), though generally <10% of SSc-ILDs show a definite UIP pattern.[39, 40] Also, UIP-like features were present in approximately a third of non-IPF F-ILD cases and in almost a half of cases with PF behaviour. It must be considered that the UIP definition used in PERSEIDS included UIP-like HRCT patterns, and true UIP was not confirmed with histology. In the centre where most SSc-ILD cases with UIP-like pattern were reported, the percentage approached the previously reported for non-specific idiopathic interstitial pneumonia (NSIP), a pattern far more common in SSc-ILD.[41] There is some overlap between NSIP (especially when fibrotic) and UIP

features, which can difficult distinguishing between them.[42] The broader, UIP-like pattern used in PERSEIDS might have facilitated misclassification and thus the important overestimation of UIP in this centre.

Differences in the relative distribution of non-IPF F-ILD subtypes among countries and in their percentage of progression explain the variability in incidence/prevalent estimates of PF-ILDs, and reinforce the primary methodology chosen (weighted mean percentage of progression). Also, primary and sensitivity analyses gave similar results in most countries, further supporting the strength of results. Nevertheless, the primary approach had some limitations, as the weighted percentage was calculated by pooling progression data from all countries, and the I^2 statistic revealed a considerable heterogeneity among them.

Despite the efforts to reduce bias, the study has other limitations. It was not always possible to use a homogeneous methodology due to centre/country particularities, which may limit the comparability of results. Coding particularities/issues may explain some of the variability found between countries, as it may have influenced the ability to capture incident/prevalent cases and may have led to more misclassification in specific countries. Some centres (e.g.: Portugal, Norway) did not provide incident/prevalent cases for the whole study period, precluding comparisons among countries for missing years and possibly affecting overall estimates. Between-country differences in ILD management, previously highlighted,[19] also difficult comparisons. Finally, the ratio of participating/total reference centres in each country, and some participating centres being of reference for specific ILDs may have affected the representativeness of results at the country level. In this sense, future epidemiological studies should engage a higher percentage of centres managing ILDs within each country or use national registries where available.

Other limitations were not country-specific. ILDs are often rare and diagnosis can be difficult, leading to over/underestimation and misdiagnosis. Also, the use of ICD codes for ILDs has known limitations[43], but the PERSEIDS approach was reasonable as currently there is no standard methodology for ILD identification based on diagnostic codes. Some code/keywords for ILD-associated conditions were excluded from the search, but being extremely infrequent and/or unspecific, a relevant effect on results is not expected. Despite the search algorithm was not previously validated, it was designed *ad hoc* following expert advice to maximise specificity and sensibility, and the high PPVs obtained in most countries are reassuring. The low PPV found in Finland may be partly explained by the almost 40% of sarcoidoses found in Phase 1, many of which resulted non-fibrosing after the review of Phase 2. When calculating incidence/prevalence, populations to be used as denominators were not always clear, especially in centres receiving referrals, which can lead to under/overestimation. Furthermore, referrals were not always systematic, or varied along the study period. These uncertainties were addressed through sensitivity analyses wherever possible. Adjusting estimates by a PPV calculated based on non-IPF F-ILDs implied assuming the same rate of false positives across all ILDs, which may not be the case. Finally, non-IPF F-ILD cases reviewed during Phase 2 may represent a small proportion of total prevalent cases identified in the systematic search (specially in centres searching national or regional registries). However, as ≥ 100 consecutive cases were reviewed per centre, the sample is expected to be representative.

CONCLUSIONS

To our knowledge, PERSEIDS is the first study assessing the epidemiology and progression of ILDs in parallel across several European countries. The incidence and prevalence of ILDs was higher and more variable between countries than previously reported, but below the threshold for orphan diseases. Overall, approximately a third of non-IPF F-ILDs cases showed a PF behaviour, nearly half of those (43%) had a UIP-like pattern. The prevalence and incidence of

PF-ILDs ranged between 2.1-14.5/10⁵ person-years and 6.9-78.0/10⁵ persons, with differences between countries probably explained by the relative distribution of non-IPF F-ILD subtypes and their different rates of progression.

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FIGURE LEGENDS

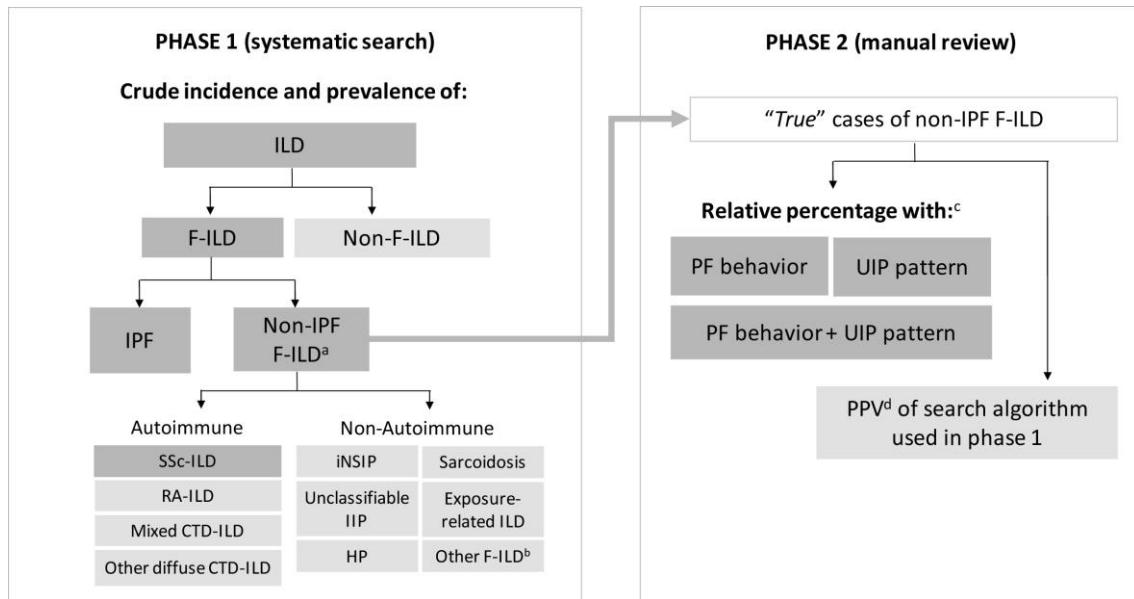


Figure 1. Study design

White squares with solid black line correspond to primary outcomes and grey squares to secondary outcomes.

^a Secondary outcomes of Phase 1 also included the relative percentage of each non-IPF F-ILD subtype. ^b Unspecified ILDs and other ILDs with fibrosis, including ICD-10 codes J84.10 (*Pulmonary fibrosis, unspecified*) and J84.89 (*Other specified interstitial pulmonary diseases*), ICD-9 codes 515 (*Postinflammatory pulmonary fibrosis*) and 516.9 (*Unspecified alveolar and parietoalveolar pneumonopathy*) and keywords such as "interstitial pulmonary disease", "lung fibrosis", "fibrotic lung", among others (see section A of Supplementary Material). ^c Also in Phase 2, a weighted mean percentage of PF behaviour was calculated for each country and used to extrapolate incidence and prevalence of PF-ILD. ^d The PPVs obtained in each country were used to adjust the incidence and prevalence estimates obtained in Phase 1 and Phase 2. Abbreviations: CTD-ILD, connective tissue disease-associated interstitial lung disease; F-ILD, fibrosing interstitial lung disease; HP, hypersensitivity pneumonitis; ILD, interstitial lung disease; iNSIP, idiopathic non-specific interstitial pneumonia; IPF, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis; non-IPF F-ILD, fibrosing interstitial lung disease other than idiopathic pulmonary

fibrosis; PF-ILD, progressive-fibrosing interstitial lung disease; RA-ILD, rheumatoid arthritis-associated interstitial lung disease; SSc-ILD, systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease; PPV, positive predictive value; uIIP, unclassifiable idiopathic interstitial pneumonia; UIP, usual interstitial pneumonia.

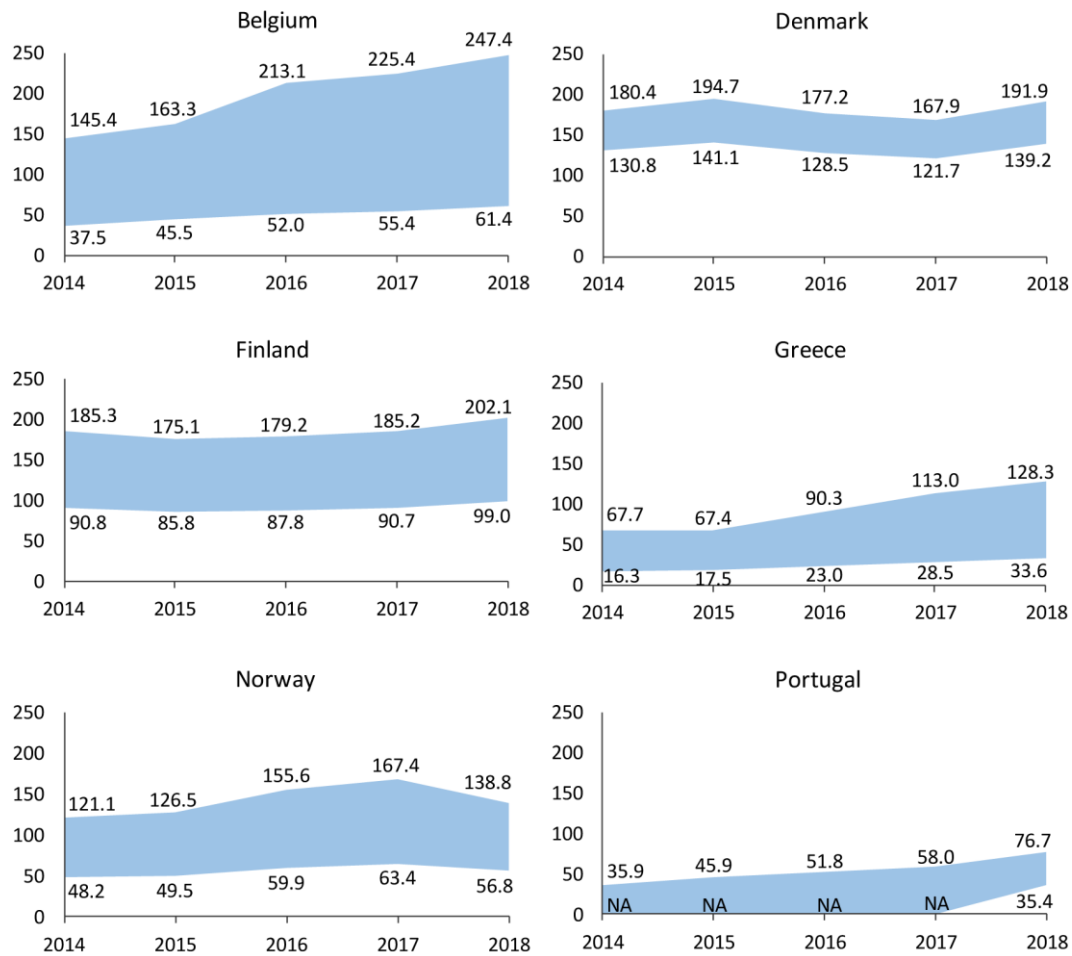


Figure 2. Annual prevalence (per 10⁵ persons) of ILDs in the participating countries during the study period (2014-2018)

Areas show the widest variability observed in the primary plus sensitivity analyses. In Belgium, Greece, Norway and Portugal, this means the range between the minimum adjusted and the maximum crude estimates. In Denmark and Finland, there was only one participating centre which searched a national or regional database (respectively), so there were no reference and extended populations, but a single population (i.e. no maximum-minimum estimates, but a single estimate). In both countries, the area shows the range between the single crude and adjusted estimates. In Portugal, only one of the participating centres reported an extended population, and only for 2018. Therefore, minimum estimates could not be obtained for 2014-2017. For these years, the area shows the range from 0 to maximum crude estimates.

Abbreviations: ILDs, interstitial lung diseases; NA, not available.

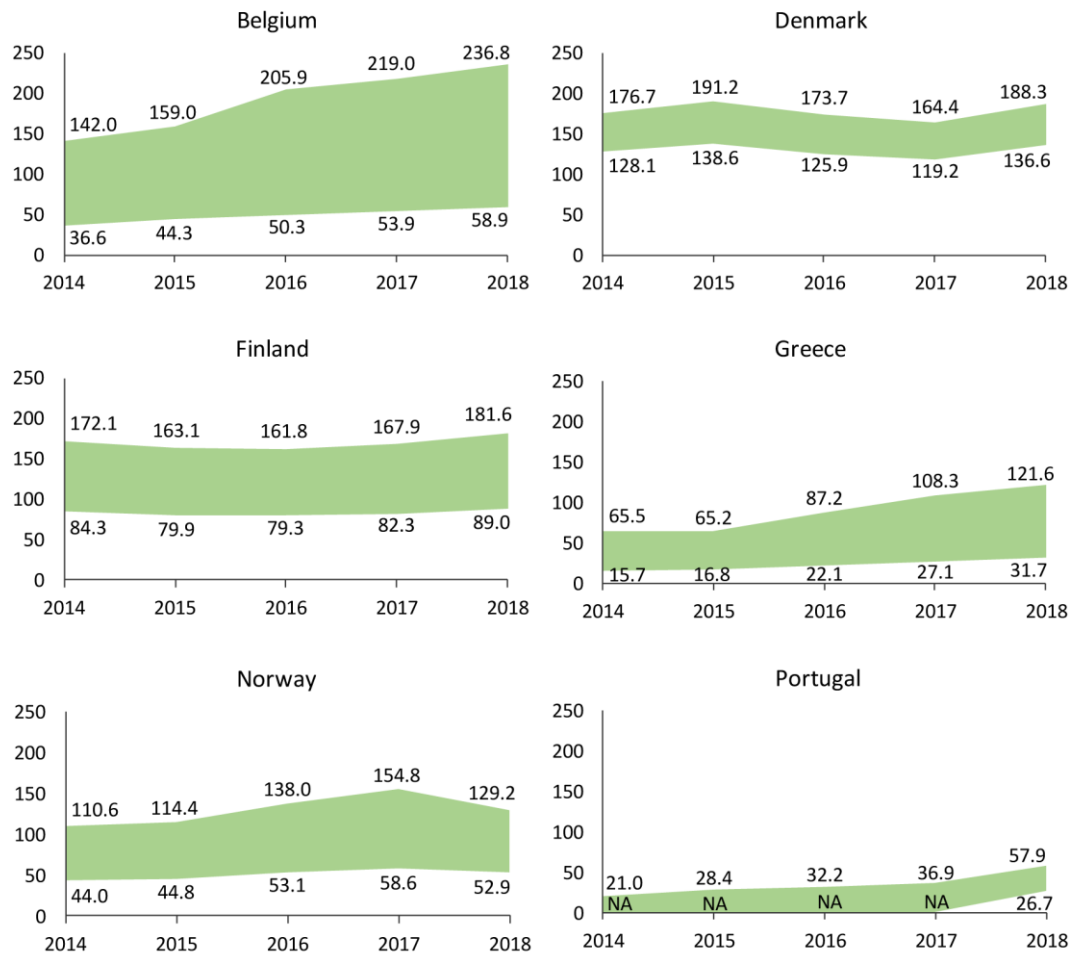


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Abbreviations: F-ILDs, fibrosing interstitial lung diseases; NA, not available.

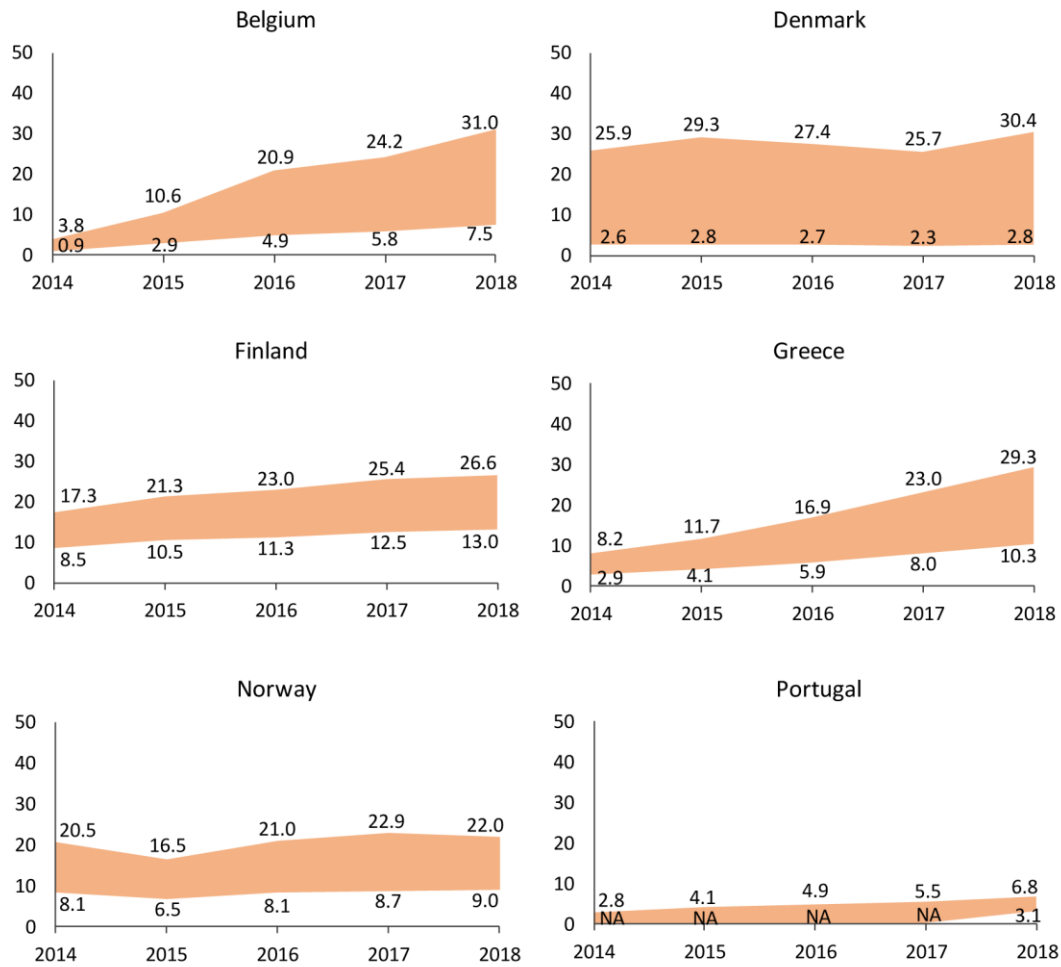


Figure 4. Annual prevalence (per 10⁵ persons) of IPF in the participating countries during the study period (2014-2018)

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Abbreviations: IPF, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis; NA, not available.



Figure 5. Annual prevalence (per 10⁵ persons) of non-IPF F-ILDs in the participating countries during the study period (2014-2018)

Areas show the widest variability observed in the primary plus sensitivity analyses. In Denmark and Finland, there was only one participating centre which searched a national or regional database (respectively), so there were no reference and extended populations, but a single population (i.e. no maximum-minimum estimates, but a single estimate). In both countries, the area shows the range between the single crude and adjusted estimates. In Belgium, Greece, Norway and Portugal, this means the range between the minimum adjusted and the maximum crude estimates. In Portugal, only one of the participating centres reported an extended population, and only for 2018. Therefore, minimum estimates could not be obtained for 2014-2017. For these years, the area shows the range from 0 to maximum crude estimates.

Abbreviations: F-ILDs, fibrosing interstitial lung diseases; IPF, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis; NA, not available.

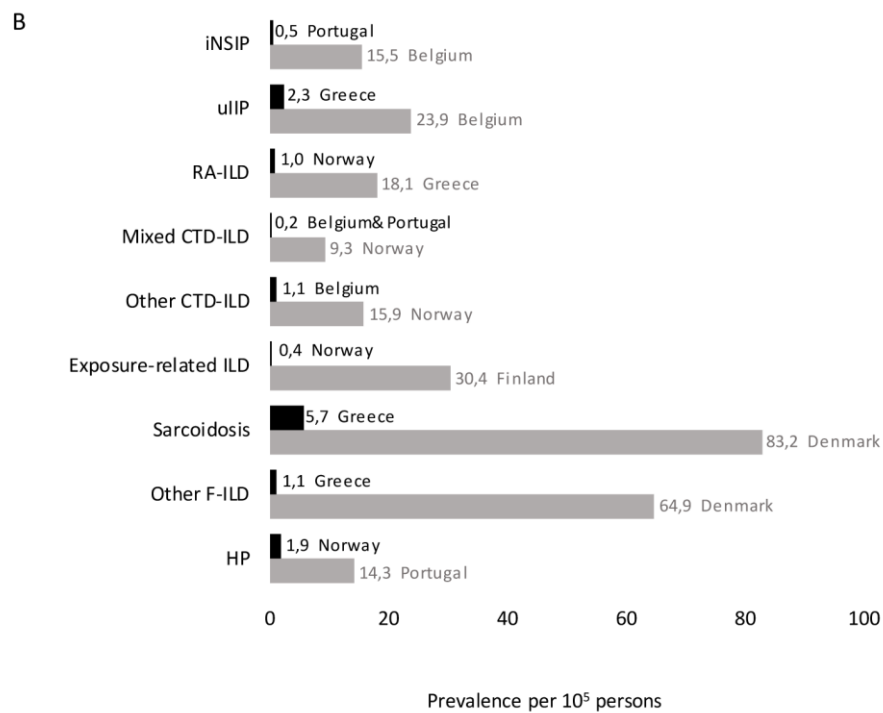
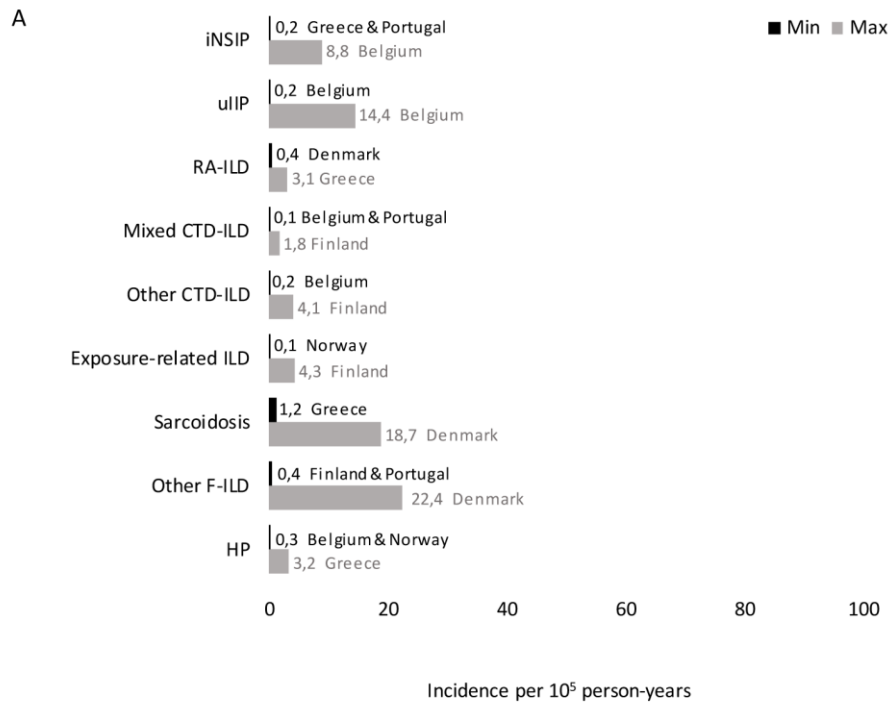


Figure 6. Incidence (A) and prevalence (B) of non-IPF F-ILD subtypes in 2018 (all countries)

Minimum and maximum values show the widest variability observed in the primary plus sensitivity analyses (i.e. minimum adjusted-maximum crude) and across all participating

countries. Countries where this minimum and maximum values were observed are indicated alongside data labels.

Abbreviations: CTD-ILD, connective tissue disease-associated interstitial lung disease; F-ILDs, fibrosing interstitial lung disease; HP, hypersensitivity pneumonitis; iNSIP, idiopathic non-specific interstitial pneumonia; IPF, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis; RA-ILD, rheumatoid arthritis associated interstitial lung disease; SSc-ILD, systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease; uIIP, unclassifiable idiopathic interstitial pneumonia.

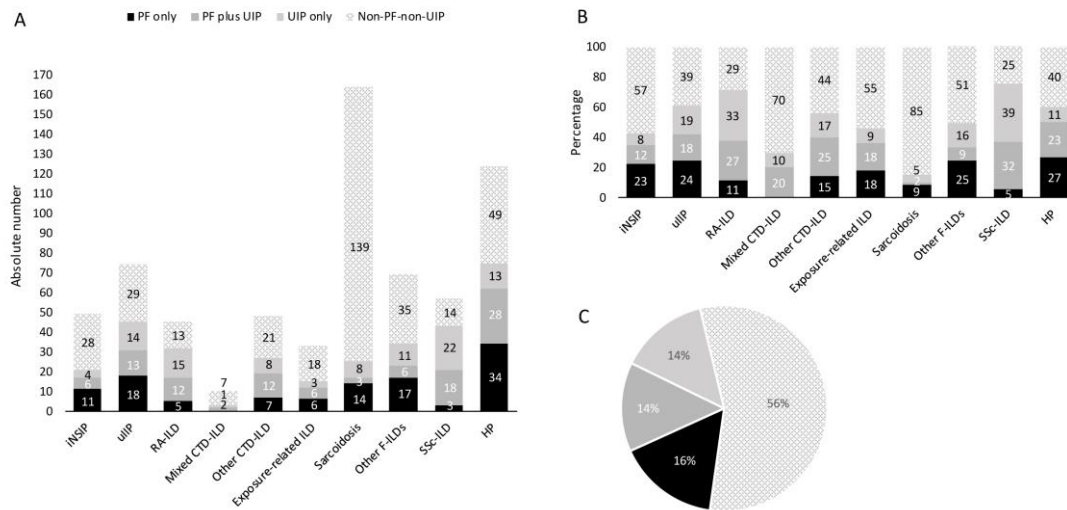


Figure 7. Absolute number (A) and relative percentage (B) in each non-IPF F-ILD subtype, and relative percentage in total non-IPF F-ILDs (C) of cases with PF behaviour only, UIP-like pattern only, both and none (all countries)

Percentages were calculated based on the total number of cases for each subtype (A and B) or the total number of cases of non-IPF F-ILD (C). Only centres participating in Phase 2 and reporting complete data were considered (number of cases reviewed in Phase 2 at each centre are shown between brackets): Belgium – Leuven (100); Denmark – Lillebælt (100); Finland – Turku (166); Greece – Larissa (118) and Thessaloniki (100); Portugal – São João (131) and Beatriz Angelo (159). Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; CTD-ILD, connective tissue disease-associated interstitial lung disease; F-ILDs, fibrosing interstitial lung disease; HP, hypersensitivity pneumonitis; iNSIP, idiopathic non-specific interstitial pneumonia; IPF, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis; PF, progressive-fibrosing; RA-ILD, rheumatoid arthritis associated interstitial lung disease; SSc-ILD, systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease; uIP, unclassifiable idiopathic interstitial pneumonia; UIP, usual interstitial pneumonia.

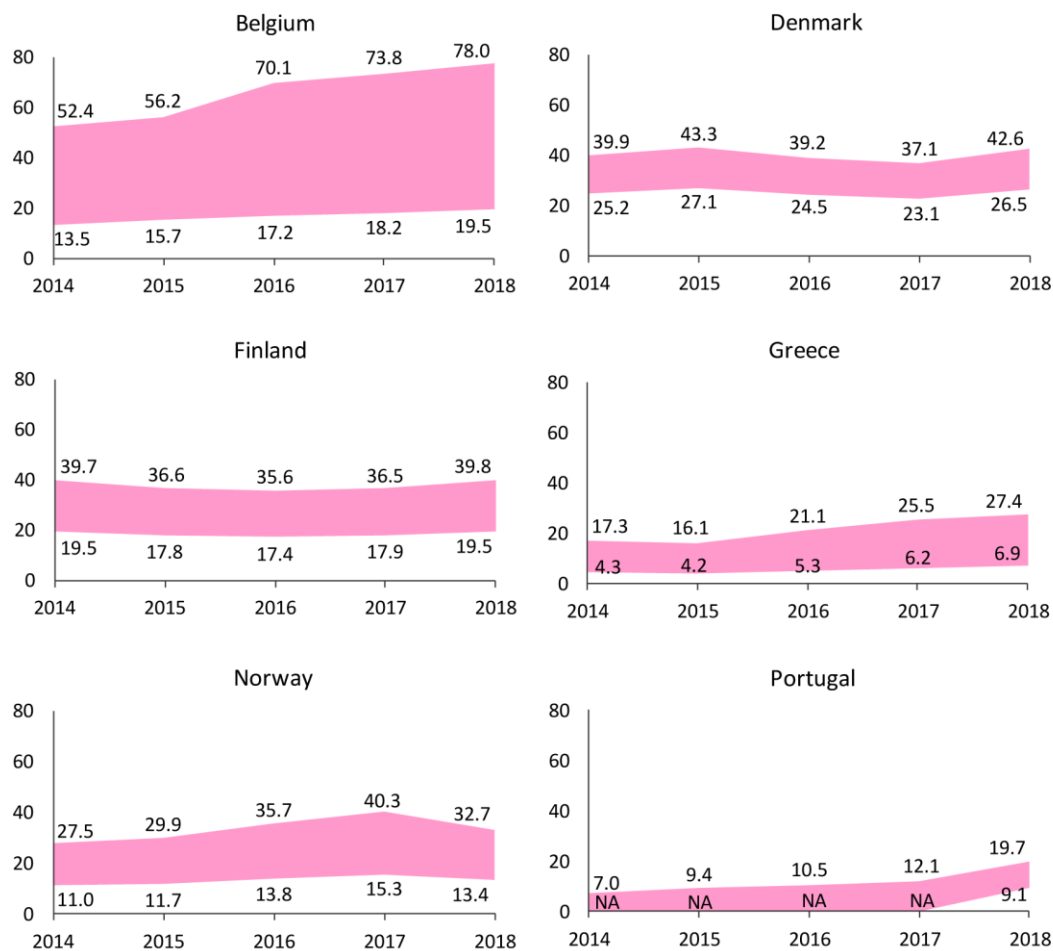


Figure 8. Annual prevalence (per 10⁵ persons) of PF-ILDs in the participating countries during the study period (Primary analysis)

Areas show the widest variability observed in the primary plus sensitivity analyses. In Belgium, Greece, Norway and Portugal, this means the range between the minimum adjusted and the maximum crude estimates. In Denmark and Finland, there was only one participating centre which searched a national or regional database (respectively), so there were no reference and extended populations, but a single population (i.e. no maximum-minimum estimates, but a single estimate). In both countries, the area shows the range between the single crude and adjusted estimates. In Portugal, only one of the participating centres reported an extended population, and only for 2018. Therefore, minimum estimates could not be obtained for 2014-2017. For these years, the area shows the range from 0 to maximum crude estimates.

Abbreviations: NA, not available; PF-ILDs, progressive-fibrosing interstitial lung diseases.

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SUPPLEMENTARY METHODS

Section A. List of codes/keywords used in the systematic search of Phase 1

Codes

ICD-10¹

<i>Disease</i>	<i>Underlying autoimmune disease</i>	<i>ILD Category</i>	<i>Underlying medical condition</i>
<i>ILD</i>	<i>Non-Autoimmune</i>	<i>ILD-iNSIP</i>	<i>J84.113 Idiopathic non-specific interstitial pneumonitis</i>
		<i>ILD-IPF</i>	<i>J84.112 Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis</i>
		<i>ILD-Unclassifiable IIP</i>	<i>J84.111 Idiopathic interstitial pneumonia, not otherwise specified</i>
		<i>ILD-Hypersensitivity Pneumonitis</i>	<i>J67.x Hypersensitivity pneumonitis due to organic dust</i>
		<i>ILD-Exposure-related ILD</i>	<i>J60 Coal Workers' Pneumoconiosis</i>
			<i>J61 Asbestosis</i>
			<i>J62.8 Pneumoconiosis due to other dust containing silica</i>
			<i>J63.x Pneumoconiosis due to other inorganic dusts</i>
			<i>J64 Unspecified pneumoconiosis</i>
			<i>J66.0 Byssinosis</i>

¹ Some subtypes without a specific ICD-10 code were defined by the corresponding ICD-10CM, which contains more granularity, to account for variability in coding practices.

Disease	Underlying autoimmune disease	ILD Category	Underlying medical condition
		<i>ILD-Sarcoidosis</i>	<i>D86.0 Sarcoidosis of the lung</i>
			<i>D86.2 Sarcoidosis of the lung and lymph nodes</i>
		<i>ILD-Other fibrosing</i>	<i>J84.10 Pulmonary fibrosis, unspecified</i>
			<i>J84.89 Other specified interstitial pulmonary diseases</i>
			<i>J84.9 Interstitial pulmonary disease, unspecified</i>
		<i>ILD-Other (non-fibrotic)</i>	<i>J84.114 Acute interstitial pneumonitis</i>
			<i>J84.116 Cryptogenic organizing pneumonia</i>
			<i>J84.117 Desquamative interstitial pneumonia</i>
			<i>D76.x Langerhans 'cell histiocytosis</i>
			<i>J84.82 Adult Pulmonary Langerhans histiocytosis</i>
	<i>J84.83 Surfactant mutations of the lung</i>		
	<i>J84.115 Respiratory bronchiolitis interstitial lung disease</i>		
	<i>Autoimmune/CTD-ILD</i>	<i>ILD-Rheumatoid Arthritis associated ILD</i>	<i>M05.1 Rheumatoid lung disease with rheumatoid arthritis</i>
		<i>ILD-SSc-ILD</i>	<i>M34.81 Systemic sclerosis with lung involvement</i>
			<i>M34.x at any time within the last 10 years + any fibrotic code (J84.10/J84.89/J84.9)</i>
		<i>ILD-Mixed Connective Tissue Disease</i>	<i>M35.1 Other overlap syndromes</i>

Disease	Underlying autoimmune disease	ILD Category	Underlying medical condition
		<i>ILD-Other diffuse CTD</i>	<i>M32.13 Lung involvement in SLE</i>
			<i>M33.01 Juvenile dermatomyositis w lung involvement</i>
			<i>M33.11 Other dermatomyositis w lung involvement</i>
			<i>M33.91 Dermatomyositis unsp w lung involvement</i>
			<i>M33.21 Polymyositis with respiratory involvement</i>
			<i>M35.02 Sicca syndrome with lung involvement</i>

NOTE: ".x" in a code denotes that all numeric subcodes are included

ICD-9

Disease	Underlying autoimmune disease	ILD Category	Underlying medical condition
<i>ILD</i>	<i>Non-Autoimmune</i>	<i>ILD-iNSIP</i>	<i>516.32 Idiopathic non-specific interstitial pneumonitis</i>
		<i>ILD-IPF</i>	<i>516.31 Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis</i>
		<i>ILD-Unclassifiable IIP</i>	<i>516.30 Idiopathic interstitial pneumonia, not otherwise specified</i>
		<i>ILD-Hypersensitivity Pneumonitis</i>	<i>495.x Hypersensitivity pneumonitis</i>
		<i>ILD-Exposure-related ILD</i>	<i>500 Coal Workers' Pneumoconiosis</i>
			<i>501 Asbestosis</i>
			<i>502 Pneumoconiosis due to other silica or silicates</i>

Disease	Underlying autoimmune disease	ILD Category	Underlying medical condition	
			503 Pneumoconiosis due to other inorganic dust	
			504 Pneumonopathy due to inhalation of other dust	
			505 Pneumoconiosis, unspecified	
		ILD-Sarcoidosis	135 Sarcoidosis	
		ILD-Other fibrosing	515 Postinflammatory pulmonary fibrosis	
			516.9 Unspecified alveolar and parietoalveolar pneumonopathy	
		ILD-Other (non-fibrotic)	516.33 Acute interstitial pneumonitis	
			516.36 Cryptogenic organizing pneumonia	
			516.37 Desquamative interstitial pneumonia	
			516.5 Adult Pulmonary Langerhans histiocytosis	
			516.63 Surfactant mutations of the lung	
			516.34 Respiratory bronchiolitis interstitial lung disease	
		Autoimmune/CTD-ILD	ILD-Rheumatoid Arthritis associated ILD	714.81 Rheumatoid lung
			ILD-SSc-ILD	517.2 Lung involvement in systemic sclerosis
				710.1 at any time within the last 10 years + any fibrotic code (515/516.9)

Disease	Underlying autoimmune disease	ILD Category	Underlying medical condition
		<i>ILD-Mixed Connective Tissue Disease</i>	<i>710.8 Other specified diffuse diseases of connective tissue</i>
		<i>ILD-Other diffuse CTD</i>	<i>710.0 Systemic lupus erythematosus + 517.8 Lung involvement in other diseases classified elsewhere</i>
			<i>710.3 Dermatomyositis + 517.8 Lung involvement in other diseases classified elsewhere</i>
			<i>710.4 Polymyositis + 517.8 Lung involvement in other diseases classified elsewhere</i>
			<i>710.2 Sicca syndrome + 517.8 Lung involvement in other diseases classified elsewhere</i>

NOTE: ".x" in a code denotes that all numeric subcodes are included

Keywords

English transliteration

Disease	Underlying autoimmune disease	ILD Category	Underlying medical condition
<i>ILD</i>	<i>Non-Autoimmune</i>	<i>ILD-iNSIP</i>	<i>Idiopathic non-specific interstitial pneumonitis</i>
			<i>NSIP</i>
			<i>Fibrotic NSIP</i>
			<i>Fibrotic non-specific interstitial pneumonia</i>
			<i>Fibrotic non specific interstitial pneumonia</i>

Disease	Underlying autoimmune disease	ILD Category	Underlying medical condition
		<i>ILD-IPF</i>	<i>Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis</i>
			<i>IPF</i>
		<i>ILD-Unclassifiable IIP</i>	<i>Idiopathic interstitial pneumonia, not otherwise specified</i>
			<i>Unclassifiable IIP</i>
		<i>ILD-Hypersensitivity Pneumonitis</i>	<i>Hypersensitivity pneumonitis</i>
			<i>Hypersensitivity pneumonia</i>
			<i>Extrinsic allergic alveolitis</i>
		<i>ILD-Exposure-related ILD</i>	<i>Coal Workers</i>
			<i>Asbestosis</i>
			<i>Pneumoconiosis</i>
			<i>Byssinosis</i>
		<i>ILD-Sarcoidosis</i>	<i>Sarcoidosis of the lung</i>
			<i>Sarcoidosis + any ILD-other fibrosing keyword</i>
		<i>ILD-Other fibrosing</i>	<i>Interstitial pulmonary disease</i>
			<i>Interstitial pulmonary diseases</i>
			<i>Interstitial lung disease</i>
			<i>Pulmonary fibrosis</i>
			<i>Fibrotic interstitial lung disease</i>

Disease	Underlying autoimmune disease	ILD Category	Underlying medical condition
			<i>Pulmonary fibrosis</i>
			<i>Lung fibrosis</i>
			<i>Fibrosing alveolitis</i>
			<i>Interstitial pneumonia</i>
			<i>Interstitial pneumonias</i>
			<i>Interstitial pneumonitis</i>
			<i>Fibrotic lung</i>
			<i>IIP</i>
			<i>Idiopathic interstitial pneumonia</i>
			<i>Fibrotic interstitial pneumonia</i>
			<i>ILD</i>
			<i>Idiopathic lung disease</i>
			<i>Pulmonary fibrotic</i>
			<i>Restrictive lung disease</i>
			<i>UIP</i>
			<i>Usual interstitial pneumonia</i>
			<i>Diffuse parenchymal lung disease</i>
			<i>Interstitial alveolitis</i>

Disease	Underlying autoimmune disease	ILD Category	Underlying medical condition
		<i>ILD-Other (non-fibrotic)</i>	<i>Acute interstitial pneumonitis</i>
			<i>AIP</i>
			<i>Cryptogenic organizing pneumonia</i>
			<i>Desquamative interstitial pneumonia</i>
			<i>Langerhans 'cell histiocytosis</i>
			<i>Langerhans histiocytosis</i>
			<i>Surfactant mutations of the lung</i>
			<i>Respiratory bronchiolitis</i>
	<i>Autoimmune/CTD-ILD</i>	<i>ILD-Rheumatoid Arthritis associated ILD</i>	<i>Rheumatoid lung disease</i>
			<i>RA-ILD</i>
			<i>RA with lung involvement</i>
		<i>ILD-SSc-ILD</i>	<i>Systemic sclerosis with lung involvement</i>
			<i>Any ILD-other fibrosing keyword + any SSc keyword at any time within the last 10 years</i>
		<i>ILD-Mixed Connective Tissue Disease</i>	<i>Mixed CTD-ILD</i>
			<i>MCTD-ILD</i>
		<i>ILD-Other diffuse CTD</i>	<i>SLE</i>
			<i>Juvenile dermatomyositis w lung involvement</i>

Disease	Underlying autoimmune disease	ILD Category	Underlying medical condition
			<i>Other dermatopolymyositis w lung involvement</i>
			<i>Dermatopolymyositis unsp w lung involvement</i>
			<i>Polymyositis with respiratory involvement</i>
			<i>Sicca syndrome with lung involvement</i>
			<i>Sjogren</i>

Belgium - French

Maladie	Maladie auto-immune sous-jacente	MPI Catégorie	Condition médicale sous-jacente
<i>MPI</i>	<i>Non auto-immune</i>	<i>MPI-PINS</i>	<i>Pneumopathie interstitielle non spécifique</i>
			<i>PINS</i>
			<i>PINS fibrotique</i>
			<i>Fibrotic pneumopathie interstitielle non spécifique</i>
		<i>MPI -FPI</i>	<i>Fibrose pulmonaire idiopathique</i>
			<i>FPI</i>
		<i>MPI -Inclassable IIP</i>	<i>Pneumonie interstitielle idiopathique, non spécifiée</i>
			<i>Inclassable IIP</i>

Maladie	Maladie auto-immune sous-jacente	MPI Catégorie	Condition médicale sous-jacente
		<i>MIP- Pneumopathie d'hypersensibilité</i>	<i>Pneumopathie d'hypersensibilité</i>
			<i>Alvéolite allergique extrinsèque</i>
		<i>MPI- MPI liée à l'exposition</i>	<i>Charbonniers / pneumoconiose du charbon</i>
			<i>Asbestose</i>
			<i>Pneumoconiose</i>
			<i>Byssinose</i>
		<i>MPI- Sarcoidose</i>	<i>Sarcoidose du poumon</i>
			<i>Sarcoidose + n'importe quel mot clé relative à MPI- autres fibroses</i>
		<i>MPI- autres fibroses</i>	<i>Maladie pulmonaire interstitielle / Maladies pulmonaires interstitielles</i>
			<i>Fibrose pulmonaire</i>
			<i>Maladie pulmonaire interstitielle fibrotique</i>
			<i>Alvéolite fibrosante</i>
			<i>Pneumonie interstitielle</i>
			<i>Pneumonies interstitielles</i>
			<i>Pneumopathie interstitielle</i>
			<i>Poumon fibrotique</i>

Maladie	Maladie auto-immune sous-jacente	MPI Catégorie	Condition médicale sous-jacente
			<i>PII</i>
			<i>Pneumonie interstitielle idiopathique</i>
			<i>Pneumonie interstitielle fibrotique</i>
			<i>MPI</i>
			<i>Maladie pulmonaire idiopathique</i>
			<i>Fibrotique pulmonaire</i>
			<i>Maladie pulmonaire restrictive</i>
			<i>UIP</i>
			<i>Pneumonie interstitielle usuelle</i>
			<i>Maladie pulmonaire diffuse du parenchyme</i>
			<i>Alvéolite interstitielle</i>
			<i>Pneumopathie interstitielle aiguë</i>
			<i>PIA</i>
			<i>Pneumonie organisatrice cryptogène</i>
			<i>Pneumonie interstitielle desquamative</i>
			<i>Histiocytose à cellules de Langerhans</i>
			<i>Histiocytose de Langerhans</i>
			<i>Mutations du surfactant du poumon</i>
		<i>MPI- Autre (non fibrotique)</i>	

Maladie	Maladie auto-immune sous-jacente	MPI Catégorie	Condition médicale sous-jacente
			<i>Bronchiolite respiratoire</i>
	<i>Auto-immune/MPI - Maladie du tissu conjonctif</i>	<i>MPI- Maladie pulmonaire interstitielle associée à la polyarthrite rhumatoïde</i>	<i>Maladie pulmonaire rhumatoïde</i>
			<i>PR-MPI</i>
			<i>Polyarthrite rhumatoïde avec atteinte pulmonaire</i>
		<i>MPI-SSc-MPI</i>	<i>Sclérose systémique avec atteinte pulmonaire</i>
			<i>N'importe quel mot clé relative à MPI ou autre "fibrosing" + autre mot clé relative à SSc à tout moment au cours des 10 dernières années</i>
		<i>MPI - Maladie mixte du tissu conjonctif</i>	<i>Maladie mixte du tissu conjonctif</i>
		<i>MPI- autres maladies diffuses du tissu conjonctif</i>	<i>Lupus érythémateux disséminé LED</i>
			<i>Dermatopolymyosite juvénile avec atteinte pulmonaire</i>
			<i>Autres dermatopolymyosites à atteinte pulmonaire</i>
			<i>Dermatopolymyosite non précisée avec atteinte pulmonaire</i>
			<i>Polymyosite avec atteinte respiratoire</i>
			<i>Syndrome de Sicca avec atteinte pulmonaire</i>
			<i>Sjogren / syndrome de Sjogren</i>

Belgium - Dutch

Ziekte	Onderliggende auto-immuunziekte	Categorie ILD	Onderliggende medische aandoening
<i>Interstitiële longziekte</i>	<i>Niet auto-immuun</i>	<i>ILD-NSIP</i>	<i>Idiopathische niet-specifieke interstitiële pneumonitis</i>
			<i>NSIP</i>
			<i>Fibrotische nsip</i>
			<i>Fibrotische niet-specifieke interstitiële pneumonie</i>
		<i>ILD-IPF</i>	<i>Idiopathische pulmonale fibrose</i>
			<i>IPF</i>
		<i>ILD-Niet-classificeerbare IIP</i>	<i>Idiopathische interstitiële pneumonie, niet anders gespecificeerd</i>
			<i>Niet-classificeerbare IIP</i>
		<i>ILD-Overgevoeligheidspneumonitis</i>	<i>Overgevoeligheidspneumonitis</i>
			<i>Overgevoeligheidspneumonie</i>
			<i>Extrinsieke allergische alveolitis</i>
		<i>ILD- Blootstelling Gerelateerde ILD</i>	<i>Kolenarbeiders</i>
			<i>Asbestose</i>

Ziekte	Onderliggende auto-immuunziekte	Categorie ILD	Onderliggende medische aandoening
			<i>Pneumoconiose</i>
			<i>Byssinosis</i>
		<i>ILD- Sarcoidose</i>	<i>Sarcoidose van de long</i>
			<i>Sarcoidose + een ander ILD-fibrosing-sleutelwoord</i>
		<i>ILD-Ander fibrosing</i>	<i>Interstitiële longziekte</i>
			<i>Interstitiële longziekten</i>
			<i>Pulmonaire fibrose</i>
			<i>Fibrotische interstitiële longziekte</i>
			<i>Longfibrose</i>
			<i>Fibroserende alveolitis</i>
			<i>Interstitiële pneumonie</i>
			<i>Interstitiële pneumonieën</i>
			<i>Interstitiële pneumonitis</i>
			<i>Fibrotische long</i>
			<i>IIP</i>
			<i>Idiopathische interstitiële pneumonie</i>
			<i>Fibrotische interstitiële pneumonie</i>
		<i>ILD</i>	

Ziekte	Onderliggende auto-immuunziekte	Categorie ILD	Onderliggende medische aandoening
			<i>Idiopathische longziekte</i>
			<i>Pulmonaire fibrotische</i>
			<i>Restrictieve longziekte</i>
			<i>UIP</i>
			<i>Usual interstitial pneumonia</i>
			<i>Diffuse parenchymale longziekte</i>
			<i>Interstitiële alveolitis</i>
		<i>ILD-Anders (niet-fibrotisch)</i>	<i>Acute interstitiële pneumonitis</i>
			<i>AIP</i>
			<i>Cryptogeen organiseren longontsteking</i>
			<i>Desquamative interstitiële pneumonitis</i>
			<i>Langerhans cel histiocytose</i>
			<i>Langerhans histiocytose</i>
			<i>Surfactant mutaties van de longen</i>
	<i>Auto immuun/CTD-ILD</i>	<i>ILD- Reumatoïde artritis geassocieerde ILD</i>	<i>Reumatoïde longziekte</i>
			<i>RA-ILD</i>
			<i>RA met longbetrokkenheid</i>

Ziekte	Onderliggende auto-immuunziekte	Categorie ILD	Onderliggende medische aandoening
		<i>ILD-SSc-ILD</i>	<i>Systemische sclerose met longbetrokkenheid</i>
			<i>Een ander ILD-fibrosing-sleutelwoord + een SSc sleutelwoord any SSc keyword op elk moment in de afgelopen 10 jaar</i>
		<i>ILD- Gemengde bindweefselziekte (MCTD)</i>	<i>Gemengde bindweefselziekte</i>
			<i>MCTD-ILD</i>
		<i>ILD-Andere diffuse CTD</i>	<i>SLE</i>
			<i>Juvenile dermatopolymyositis met longbetrokkenheid</i>
			<i>Andere dermatopolymyositis met longbetrokkenheid</i>
			<i>Dermatopolymyositis niet gespecificeerd met longbetrokkenheid</i>
			<i>Polymyositis met respiratoire betrokkenheid</i>
			<i>Sicca-syndroom met longbetrokkenheid</i>
			<i>Sjogren</i>

Denmark

Sygdom	Underliggende autoimmun sygdom	ILS Kategori	Underliggende sygdomstilstand
<i>ILS</i>	<i>Ikke-Autoimmune</i>	<i>ILS-INSIP</i>	<i>DJ841B Idiopa. lungefibrose m non-specific interstitial pneumonia</i>
		<i>ILS-IPF</i>	<i>DJ841C Idiopatisk lungefibrose UNS</i>
		<i>ILS-Uklassificerbar interstitiel idiopatisk lungebetændelse</i>	<i>DJ848 Anden interstitiel lungesygdom</i>
		<i>ILS- Overfølsomhed Pneumonitis</i>	<i>DJ67.x Pneumonitis f.a. hypersensitivitet overfor organisk støv</i>
		<i>ILS- Eksponering-relaterede ILS</i>	<i>DJ60 Støvlunge forårsaget af kulstøv</i>
			<i>DJ61 Støvlunge forårsaget af asbest og andre mineralfibre</i>
			<i>DJ628 Anden form for silikose</i>
			<i>DJ63x Støvlunge forårsaget af andet uorganisk støv</i>
			<i>DJ649 Pneumokoniose UNS</i>
			<i>DJ660 Byssinose</i>
		<i>ILS-Sarkoidose</i>	<i>DD860 Sarkoidose i lunger</i>
			<i>DD862 Sarkoidose i både lunger og lymfeknuder</i>
		<i>ILS- Andet fibrosering</i>	<i>DJ841 Anden interstitiel lungesygdom med fibrose</i>
			<i>DJ849 Interstitiel lungesygdom UNS</i>
		<i>ILS- Andet (ikke-fibrotisk)</i>	<i>DJ841D Akut interstitiel pneumoni</i>

Sygdom	Underliggende autoimmun sygdom	ILS Kategori	Underliggende sygdomstilstand
			<i>DJ843 Bronchiolitis obliterans organiserende pneumoni (BOOP) or DJ841F</i>
			<i>DJ840A Proteinosis alveolaris pulmonum</i>
			<i>DJ841G Deskvamativ interstitiel pneumoni</i>
			<i>DD760 Histiocytose i de Langerhanske celler</i>
	<i>Autoimmune/ bindevævssygdomme -ILS</i>	<i>ILS- Rheumatoid arthritis- associeret ILS</i>	<i>DM051 Reumatoid arthritis med lungemanifestationer</i>
		<i>ILS-SSc-ILS</i>	<i>DM348 Anden form for systemisk sklerodermi + DJ84X for lung involvement</i>
			<i>DM34x at any time within the last 10 years + any fibrotic code (DJ841/DJ848/DJ849)</i>
		<i>ILS- Blandet bindevævssygdom (+ DJ84X til lungeinddragelse)</i>	<i>DM351 Andet blandingssyndrom ved generaliseret bindevævssygdom</i>
		<i>ILS- Andre diffuse bindevævssygdomme</i>	<i>DM321 Systemisk lupus erythematosus med organinvolvering</i>
			<i>DM330 Dermatomyositis juvenilis</i>
			<i>DM331 Anden dermatomyositis</i>
			<i>DM339 Dermatopolymyositis UNS</i>
			<i>DM332 Polymyositis</i>
			<i>DM350 Sjögrens syndrom</i>

Finland

<i>Tauti</i>	<i>Taustalla oleva autoimmuunisairaus</i>	<i>ILD-luokka</i>	<i>Lääketieteellisen tila: diagnoosi tai tekstilouhinta</i>
<i>ILD: Interstitiaalinen keuhkosairaus</i>	<i>Ei-autoimmuunisairaus</i>	<i>ILD-iNSIP</i>	<i>NSIP +J84.x</i>
		<i>ILD-IPF</i>	<i>J84.1 IPF/UIP, idiopaattinen keuhkofibroosi</i>
		<i>ILD-Unclassifiable IIP</i>	<i>NOT UIP/NSIP/COP/DIP/LIP/HP (NOT IPF)</i>
		<i>ILD-Hypersensitivity Pneumonitis</i>	<i>HP, hypersensitiviteetti pneumonia, allerginen alveoliitti, homepölykeuhko</i>
		<i>ILD- Altistumiseen liittyvä interstitiaalinen keuhkosairaus</i>	<i>J61, J67.0 (altiste tiedossa), J62.8</i>
		<i>ILD- sarkoidoosi</i>	<i>J86.0, D86.2</i>
		<i>ILD- Muu fibroosi</i>	<i>NSIP/COP/DIP + J84.9 or J84.8</i>
		<i>ILD- Muu (ei-fibroottinen)</i>	<i>NSIP/COP/DIP, ei IPF, ei UIP</i>
<i>COP, kryptogeeninen organisoituva pneumoia</i>			
<i>DIP</i>			

Tauti	Taustalla oleva autoimmuunisairaus	ILD-luokka	Lääketieteellisen tila: diagnoosi tai tekstilouhinta
			<i>Deskvamatiivinen bronkioliitti</i>
			<i>RB-ILD</i>
	<i>Autoimmuunisairaus</i>	<i>ILD- nivelreumaan liittyvän interstitiaalinen keuhkosairaus</i>	<i>M05.9, M06.0 + J99.0/J84.x/UIP/NSIP/fibroosi</i>
		<i>ILD-SSc-ILD</i>	<i>M34.x + J99.0/J84.x/UIP/NSIP/fibroosi</i>
		<i>ILD- Sekamuotoiset sidekudossairaudet</i>	<i>M35.8, M35.9 + J99.0/J84.x/UIP/NSIP/fibroosi</i>
		<i>ILD-Muut diffuusi sidekudossairaudet</i>	<i>M33.x/M34.xM35.0+J99.0 or J84.x/UIP/NSIP/fibroosi</i>

Greece

Nosos	Ypokeimeni aftoanosi nosos	Kategoria diamesis pneumonopatheias	Ypokeimeni iatriki katastasi
<i>ILD</i>	<i>Mi-aftoanosa</i>	<i>ILD-iNSIP</i>	<i>Idiopathis mi eidiki diamesi pnevmonia</i>
			<i>NSIP</i>
			<i>NSIP inotiki</i>
			<i>Inotiki mi-eidiki diamesi pnevmonia</i>
		<i>ILD-IPF</i>	<i>Idiopathis pnevmoniki inosi</i>

Nosos	Υποκειμενι αϋτοανosi nosos	Katigoria diamesis pneumonopatheias	Υποκειμενι iatriki katastasi
			<i>IPF</i>
		<i>ILD-Ataxinomiti idiopathis diamesi pnevmonia</i>	<i>Idiopathis diámesi pnevmonía, mi prodiagrafómeni állos</i>
			<i>Unclassifiable IIP</i>
		<i>ILD-Pnevmonítida yperevaisthisías</i>	<i>Pnevmonítida yperevaisthisías</i>
			<i>Pnevmonía yperevaisthisías</i>
			<i>Exogenoús allergikís kypselíditidas</i>
		<i>ILD-Diamesi pneumonopatheia schetizomeni me ekthesi</i>	<i>Ergátes ánthraka</i>
			<i>Amiántosi</i>
			<i>Pnevmoniokonási</i>
			<i>Vysinóosi</i>
		<i>ILD-Sarkoeídosi</i>	<i>Sarkoeídosi tou pnévmona</i>
			<i>Sarkoeídosi</i>
		<i>ILD-Alles inotikes</i>	<i>Diámesi pnevmonopátheia</i>
			<i>Diámeses pnevmonopátheies</i>
			<i>Pnevmonikí ínosi</i>
			<i>Inotikí diámesi pnevmonopátheia</i>
			<i>Inódis kypselíditida</i>

Nosos	Υποκειμενι αϋτοανosi nosos	Katigoria diamesis pneumonopatheias	Υποκειμενι iatriki katastasi
			<i>Diámesi pnevmonía</i>
			<i>Diámesi pnevmonítida</i>
			<i>Inódis pnévmona</i>
			<i>IIP</i>
			<i>Idiopathitis diámesi pnevmonía</i>
			<i>Inotikí diámesi pnevmonía</i>
			<i>ILD</i>
			<i>Idiopathis pnevmonikí nóso</i>
			<i>Pnevmonikí inotikí</i>
			<i>Perioristikí pnevmonikí nóso</i>
			<i>UIP</i>
			<i>Syníthis diámesi pnevmonía</i>
			<i>Diáchyti parenchymatikí pnevmonikí nóso</i>
			<i>Diámesi kypselítida</i>
		<i>ILD-Alles (mi inotikes)</i>	<i>Oxeía diámesi pnevmona</i>
			<i>AIP</i>
			<i>Kryptogenis organoumeni pnevmonía</i>

Nosos	Υποκειμενι αφτοανosi nosos	Kategoria diamesis pneumonopatheias	Υποκειμενι iatriki katastasi
			<i>Αποφρακτική διάμεσι πνευμονία</i>
			<i>Ιστιοκυττάρosi kyttáron langerhans</i>
			<i>Ι ιστοκυττάρosi tou langerhans</i>
			<i>Επιφανειοδραστικές metalláxeis tou πnévmona</i>
			<i>Αναπνευστική vronchiolítida</i>
	<i>Αφτοανosa/CTD-ILD</i>	<i>ILD-Diamesi pneumonopatheia schetizomeni me revmatoeidi artritida</i>	<i>Revmatoeidís πnevmonopátheia</i>
			<i>RA-ILD</i>
		<i>ILD-SSc-ILD</i>	<i>Systimatikí sklírynsi me emplokí ton πnevμόnon</i>
			<i>Any ILD-other fibrosing keyword + any SSc keyword at any time within the last 10 years</i>
		<i>ILD-Mikti nosos tou syndetikou istou</i>	<i>Mixed CTD-ILD diamesi pneumonopatheia apo mikti noso tou syndetikou istou</i>
			<i>MCTD-ILD</i>
		<i>ILD-Álli diachyti nosos tou syndetikou istou</i>	<i>SLE</i>
			<i>Νeanikí dermatopolymiozítida me emplokí ton πnevμόnon</i>
			<i>Álli dermatopolymosítida kai πnevmonikí emplokí</i>

Nosos	Ypokeimeni aftoanosi nosos	Kategoria diamesis pneumonopatheias	Ypokeimeni iatriki katastasi
			<i>Dermatopolymiozylítida mi kathorisméni me emplokí ton pnevmónon</i>
			<i>Polymyosítida me anapnefstikí anepárkeia</i>
			<i>Sýndromo Sicca me emplokí ton pnevmónon</i>
			<i>Sýndromo sjogren</i>

Norway

Sykdom	Underliggende autoimmun sykdom	ILD Kategori	Underliggende medisinsk tilstand
<i>ILD</i>	<i>Ikke-Autoimmune</i>	<i>ILD-iNSIP</i>	<i>Idiopatisk non-spesifikk interstitiell pneumoni</i>
			<i>NSIP</i>
			<i>Fibrotisk NSIP</i>
			<i>Fibrotisk ikke-spesifikk interstitial lungebetennelse</i>
		<i>ILD-IPF</i>	<i>Idiopatisk lungefibrose</i>
			<i>IPF</i>
		<i>ILD-Unclassifiable IIP</i>	<i>Idiopatisk interstitial lungebetennelse, ikke spesifisert ellers</i>
			<i>Unclassifiable IIP</i>

Sykdom	Underliggende autoimmun sykdom	ILD Kategori	Underliggende medisinsk tilstand
		<i>ILD- Overfølsomhet pneumonitt</i>	<i>Overfølsomhet pneumonitt</i>
			<i>Overfølsomhet lungebetennelse</i>
			<i>Ekstrinsisk allergisk alveolitis</i>
		<i>ILD- Eksponeringsrelatert interstitial lungesykdom</i>	<i>Kullarbeidere / kullarbeidere pneumokoniose</i>
			<i>Asbestose</i>
			<i>Pneumokoniose</i>
		<i>ILD- Sarcoidose</i>	<i>Byssinosis</i>
			<i>Sarcoidose av lungen / Sarkoidose i lungene</i>
			<i>Sarcoidose + any ILD-other fibrosing keyword</i>
		<i>ILD- Andre fibrosering</i>	<i>Interstitiell lungesykdom / Interstitielle lungesykdommer</i>
			<i>Lungfibrose</i>
			<i>Fibrotisk interstitiell lungesykdom</i>
			<i>Pulmonal fibrose</i>
			<i>Fibrosering alveolitis / fibrosing alveolitt</i>
			<i>Interstitial lungebetennelse</i>
			<i>Interstitial pneumonitt</i>
			<i>Fibrotisk lunge</i>

Sykdom	Underliggende autoimmun sykdom	ILD Kategori	Underliggende medisinsk tilstand
			<i>IIP</i>
			<i>Idiopatisk interstitial lungebetennelse</i>
			<i>Fibrotisk interstitial lungebetennelse</i>
			<i>ILD</i>
			<i>Idiopatisk lungesykdom</i>
			<i>Lungefibrotisk / pulmonal fibrotisk</i>
			<i>Restriktiv lungesykdom</i>
			<i>UIP</i>
			<i>Vanlig interstitial lungebetennelse</i>
			<i>Diffus parenkymal lungesykdom</i>
			<i>Interstitial alveolitis</i>
		<i>ILD- Annet (ikke fibrotisk)</i>	<i>Akutt interstitial pneumonitt</i>
			<i>AIP</i>
			<i>Kryptogen organisering lungebetennelse</i>
			<i>Desquamative interstitiell lungebetennelse</i>
			<i>Langerhans 'cell histiocytose</i>
			<i>Langerhans histiocytose</i>

Sykdom	Underliggende autoimmun sykdom	ILD Kategori	Underliggende medisinsk tilstand
			<i>Surfaktant mutasjoner av lungen</i>
			<i>Respiratorisk bronkiolit</i>
	<i>Autoimmune/ Bindevessykdommer -ILD</i>	<i>ILD- RA assosiert lungesykdom</i>	<i>Revmatoid lungesykdom</i>
			<i>RA-ILD</i>
			<i>Reumatoid artritt med lungesamfunn</i>
		<i>ILD-SSc-ILD</i>	<i>Systemisk sklerose med lungesamfunn</i>
			<i>Any ILD-other fibrosing keyword + any SSc keyword at any time within the last 10 years</i>
		<i>ILD- Blandede bindevessykdommer</i>	<i>Mixed CTD-ILD</i>
			<i>MCTD-ILD</i>
		<i>ILD-Andre diffuse bindevessykdommer</i>	<i>Systemisk lupus erythematosus SLE</i>
			<i>Juvenil dermatopolymyositis med lungesamfunn</i>
			<i>Øvrig dermatopolymyositis med lungebetennelse</i>
			<i>Dermatopolymyositis unsp med lung involvering</i>
			<i>Polymyositis med respiratorisk involvering</i>
			<i>Sicca syndrom med lunge involvering</i>
<i>Sjøgrens / sjogrens syndrom</i>			

Portugal

<i>Doença</i>	<i>Doença auto-imune subjacente</i>	<i>DPI Categoria</i>	<i>Condição médica subjacente</i>
<i>DPI</i>	<i>Não autoimune</i>	<i>DPI-PINEi</i>	<i>Pneumonia intersticial não específica idiopática</i>
			<i>PINE</i>
			<i>NSIP</i>
			<i>PINE fibrótica.</i>
		<i>DPI-FPI</i>	<i>NSIP</i>
			<i>Pneumonia intersticial não específica fibrótica</i>
		<i>DPI - Inclassificável PII</i>	<i>Fibrose pulmonar idiopática</i>
			<i>FPI</i>
		<i>DPI - Pneumonite de hipersensibilidade</i>	<i>Pneumonia intersticial idiopática, não especificada</i>
			<i>Inclassificável PII</i>
			<i>Pneumonite de hipersensibilidade</i>
			<i>Pneumonia de hipersensibilidade</i>
			<i>Alveolite alérgica extrínseca</i>
			<i>Trabalhadores de Carvão</i>
<i>Asbestose</i>			

Doença	Doença auto-imune subjacente	DPI Categoria	Condição médica subjacente
		<i>DPI- Doença pulmonar intersticial relacionada à exposição</i>	<i>Pneumoconiose</i>
			<i>Bissinose</i>
		<i>DPI- Sarcoidose</i>	<i>Sarcoidose do pulmão</i>
			<i>Sarcoidose</i>
		<i>DPI-Other fibrosing</i>	<i>Doença pulmonar intersticial</i>
			<i>Doenças pulmonares intersticiais</i>
			<i>Fibrose pulmonar</i>
			<i>Doença pulmonar intersticial fibrótica</i>
			<i>Alveolite fibrosante</i>
			<i>Pneumonia intersticial</i>
			<i>Pneumonias intersticiais</i>
			<i>Pneumonite intersticial</i>
			<i>Pulmão fibrótico</i>
			<i>PII</i>
		<i>Pneumonia intersticial idiopática</i>	
<i>Pneumonia intersticial fibrótica</i>			

Doença	Doença auto-imune subjacente	DPI Categoria	Condição médica subjacente
			<i>DPI</i>
			<i>Doença pulmonar idiopática</i>
			<i>Doença pulmonar restritiva</i>
			<i>PIU</i>
			<i>UIP</i>
			<i>Pneumonia intersticial usual</i>
			<i>Doença pulmonar parenquimatosa difusa</i>
			<i>Doença difusa do parênquima pulmonar</i>
			<i>Alveolite intersticial</i>
		<i>DPI-Other (non fibrotic)</i>	<i>Pneumonite intersticial aguda</i>
			<i>PIA</i>
			<i>AIP</i>
			<i>Pneumonia organizativa criptogénica</i>
			<i>Pneumonia intersticial descamativa</i>
			<i>Histiocitose de células de Langerhans</i>
			<i>Histiocitose de Langerhans</i>
			<i>Mutações do surfactante do pulmão</i>

Doença	Doença auto-imune subjacente	DPI Categoria	Condição médica subjacente
			<i>Bronquiolite respiratória</i>
	<i>Autoimune/DPI- doença do tecido conjuntivo</i>	<i>DPI - Artrite reumatóide com envolvimento pulmonar</i>	<i>Doença pulmonar reumatóide</i>
			<i>AR-DPI</i>
			<i>Artrite reumatóide com envolvimento pulmonar</i>
		<i>DPI-SSc-ILD</i>	<i>Esclerose sistémica com envolvimento pulmonar</i>
			<i>Esclerodermia com envolvimento pulmonar</i>
			<i>Outras DPI-fibróticas + esclerose sistémica nos últimos 10 anos</i>
		<i>DPI - Doença Mista do Tecido Conjuntivo</i>	<i>DMTC-DIP</i>
		<i>DPI-Outra doença do tecido conjuntivo difusa</i>	<i>Lúpus eritematoso sistémico SLE</i>
			<i>Dermatomiositis juvenil com envolvimento pulmonar</i>
			<i>Outras dermatomiosite com envolvimento pulmonary</i>
			<i>Dermatopomiosite não especificada com envolvimento pulmonar</i>
			<i>Polimiosite com envolvimento respiratório</i>
			<i>Síndrome Sicca com envolvimento pulmonar</i>
	<i>Síndrome de Sjögren</i>		

Section B. Methodology for calculating prevalence, incidence and relative percentages in Phase 1

Prevalence

In each participating centre, the annual crude prevalence was calculated as shown below. For the whole study period, it was the average of annual prevalences available in the period.

$$Prevalence = \frac{Number\ of\ prevalent\ cases}{Sum\ of\ persons\ at\ risk}$$

Prevalent cases (numerator) were those patients in the database ≥ 18 years presenting with at least one code and/or keyword for the conditions of interest between 01-January and 31-December of a specific year (including both inpatients and outpatients and excluding duplicates). Patients with codes and/or keywords for >1 condition within a given year (e.g. both systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease [SSc-ILD] and idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis [IPF]), were counted in each condition, but only once in overarching categories such as fibrosing interstitial lung diseases [F-ILDs]).

For each year, persons at risk were those living in the centre's area of influence (i.e. reference population) and who were alive and ≥ 18 years old at mid-year (i.e. 30-June). If only data from 01-January was available, the mean value between adjacent Januaries was used as a proxy for mid-year population.

Aside from this reference population, the participating centres receiving ILD cases from satellite centres (detailed in Table 1 in the main text) also had an extended (reference) population, formed by the population at risk in the centre's own area of influence plus the population at risk in the satellites' area of influence. When available, the main incidence calculations used this extended population as denominator, providing minimum estimates. However, as sensitivity analysis, maximum estimates were also obtained by using as denominator the reference population.

Both the reference and extended populations were provided by each centre. The total adult population for each country at each calendar year of the study period was obtained from the European Statistics Office (Eurostat) website.[1]

The prevalences obtained in the participating centres of each country were extrapolated to the whole country accounting for the relative size of the centres' population at risk with respect to the total adult population of the country.

Incidence

In each participating centre, the annual crude incidence was calculated as shown below. For the whole study period, it was the sum of annual incidences available in the period.

$$\text{Incidence} = \frac{\text{Number of incident cases}}{\text{Sum of person – years at risk}}$$

Incident cases (numerator) were those prevalent cases without any prior code and/or keyword for the same condition in the previous 10 years. As with prevalent cases, patients with codes and/or keywords for >1 condition within a given year (e.g. both SSc-ILD and IPF) were counted in each condition, but only once in overarching categories (e.g. F-ILDs).

The person-years at risk (denominator) were obtained considering that the follow-up for each individual present at mid-year (30-June) accounted for the whole year (i.e. 1 person-year for each person at risk in each calendar year).

As with prevalence, minimum and maximum estimates were obtained by using as denominator, respectively, the person-years at risk of the extended and reference populations; and the incidences obtained in the participating centres of each country were extrapolated to the whole country accounting for the relative size of the centres' population at risk with respect to the total adult population of the country.

Alternative methods and adjustments

Finland:

- The systematic search was performed in a database covering the entire population of the centre's region. Therefore, there was only one population at risk and a single incidence/prevalence estimate was obtained for each ILD.

Denmark:

- The 2017 data were incomplete due to a delay in the database update, and unavailable for 2018 due to database maintenance. As the number of cases had been quite constant in the previous years, and assuming the 2017 delay affected all ILDs equally, a correction factor of 1.28 (average decrease from 2016 to 2017 across subtypes) was applied to 2017 data. For 2018, the site calculated the expected numbers based on the former years back to 2010.

- The systematic search was performed in a database covering the entire country population (Danish National Patient Registry, DNPR), therefore, there was only one population at risk and a single incidence/prevalence estimate was obtained for each ILD. The exceptions were IPF, other F-ILDs and the overarching ILD categories containing them. Based on a yet unpublished review of clinical records,² and the review in Phase 2 of the present study, the Danish centre anticipated that a proportion of IPF cases would be recorded in DNPR with the same code as other F-ILDs (J849), probably because in many cases this general code was temporarily assigned at admission/referral but was not changed later, after the definitive diagnosis. According to the literature[2] approximately 28% of all ILDs (except sarcoidosis) are IPF in Denmark. Therefore, the number of IPF cases was adjusted upwards by subtracting the incident/prevalent cases of sarcoidosis to total incident/prevalent cases of ILD and multiplying by a factor of 0.28. Similarly, the number of other F-ILD cases was adjusted downwards, by subtracting the additional cases obtained for IPF (after adjusting) to the misclassified cases of other F-ILD. Misclassified and adjusted IPF cases were used as numerator to obtain minimum and maximum estimates, respectively; while misclassified and adjusted cases of other F-ILD were the numerator to obtain maximum and minimum estimates. As a result of these adjustments, overarching categories including IPF and other F-ILDs (non-IPF F-ILDs, F-ILDs and ILDs) also had minimum and maximum estimates in Denmark.
- As the searched database was nationwide, there was no need to extrapolate the incidence/prevalence to the whole country population.

Norway:

- The reference population primarily reported by Oslo University Hospital accounted for the Oslo municipality only. However, the hospital is a reference centre receiving 40% of ILD cases from the Oslo municipality ($\approx 650,000$ inhabitants), 40% from the rest of the South-East Health region ($\approx 3,000,000$ inhabitants; $\approx 2,350,000$ excluding Oslo municipality) and 20% from the rest of Norway ($\approx 5,300,000$ inhabitants; $\approx 2,300,000$ excluding the South-East region). Therefore, the population ratio for Oslo, the South-East region and whole Norway was $0.65/2.35/2.3$ (i.e. $1/3.5/3.5$), while the case ratio was $4/4/2$ (i.e. $1/1/0.5$). Assuming the centre caught 100% of cases in the Oslo municipality (i.e. that $4/0.65$ was a valid relationship), the case ratio should had been

² Knarborg, et al. Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis and other progressive fibrosing interstitial lung diseases in Denmark: clinical characteristics, treatment and economic consequences (PhD project, yet unpublished).

4/14/14. To achieve a case ratio of 1/1/0.5, the population ratio (denominator) was reduced to 0.65/0.65/0.32 thus obtaining a correction factor of 0.28 (0.65/2.35) for the South-East population and of 0.14 (0.32/2.3) for the Norwegian population. The reference population for each year of the study period was then calculated as follows: Oslo municipality + South-East region (excluding Oslo)*0.28 + Norway (excluding South-East region)*0.14. The whole South-East region population was used as extended population to obtain minimum estimates. Populations were obtained from the National Statistical Institute of Norway website.[3]

- ICD-10 codes used in the systematic search had only one decimal place, so cases of idiopathic non-specific interstitial pneumonia (iNSIP, coded J84.113), unclassifiable idiopathic interstitial pneumonias (uIIPs, coded J84.111) and other F-ILDs (coded J84.10) were merged.³ To correct this misclassification, incident and prevalent cases of these three ILDs were estimated based on their relative percentage in the other Scandinavian countries.
- The incidence of non-F-ILDs, missing for the period between 2015-2018, was calculated for each year based on its prevalence and on the average incidence/prevalence ratio of the other ILDs in the country.

Belgium:

- The Liege University Hospital Centre was of reference for rheumatological ILDs, receiving patients not only from the centre's region (Wallonia), but also from the rest of the country and Luxembourg. To avoid overestimation, the incidence and prevalence of rheumatological ILDs were calculated using wider populations at risk than for other ILDs. The extended population encompassed the total adult population of Belgium and Luxembourg, while the reference population was limited to the adult population of the Wallonia region plus Luxembourg. The Wallonia region population was obtained from the Belgian Statistics Office[4] and the Luxembourg population from the country's Statistics Portal.[5]
- Ghent University Hospital, a reference centre for SSc-ILD, only provided data for this condition. Also, this centre could not provide its reference and extended populations. However, they reported that most patients managed at the department came from the

³ The same occurred in Denmark and Finland. In Denmark, there were local codes in place which could be used in the systematic search to overcome this problem. In Finland, keywords could be used along with ICD-10 codes. In Norway, however, local codes and keywords could not be used.

regions of East and West Flanders. Therefore, the reference population considered was the sum of the total adult population for these regions (obtained from the Belgian Statistics Office[4]). This reference population was only used to obtain maximum incidence/prevalence estimates. Minimum estimates could not be obtained due to the lack of an extended population.

Greece:

- Only one of the four participating centres (University Hospital of Larissa) could capture most cases of rheumatological ILD.⁴ The relative distribution of non-IPF F-ILD subtypes in Larissa was used to obtain a correction factor, which was applied to adjust upwards the number of non-IPF F-ILD cases in the three Greek centres with missing information to avoid underestimation. The correction factor was the inverse ratio of pulmonary and rheumatological cases of non-IPF F-ILD ($[\text{iNSIP} + \text{uIPs} + \text{exposure-related ILDs} + \text{sarcoidosis} + \text{other F-ILDs} + \text{hypersensitivity pneumonitis (HP)}] : [\text{SSc-ILD} + \text{rheumatoid arthritis-associated ILD (RA-ILD)} + \text{mixed connective tissue disease (CTD)-ILD} + \text{other CTD-ILD}]$), and was multiplied by the total number of non-IPF F-ILD cases in each centre to obtain the number of rheumatological cases to be added (e.g. a ratio 2.5:1 would give a correction factor of 0.4. If the total number of non-IPF F-ILD cases was 71, then the final number after upwards adjustment would be $71 + [71 * 0.4] = 99$).

Section C. Sample size calculations

The sample size for each study phase was calculated based on its primary objective. For Phase 1, the minimum population to obtain prevalence and incidence estimates with an acceptable precision was 100,000 persons, assuming most patients would have at least 1.5 years of follow-up. It was considered that, by including all subjects listed in each database from 01-January-2014 to 31-December-2018, this minimum sample would be exceeded. For Phase 2, assuming maximum uncertainty ($p=q=50\%$) and a confidence of 95%, reviewing 100 prevalent cases per participating centre was calculated to offer a maximum margin of error (minimum precision) of 10% when describing the proportions of the primary variable.

⁴ The pulmonary department in Beatriz Angelo Hospital (Portugal) was neither able to capture cases managed at other departments of the centre. However, this missing information was considered negligible, as cases managed at other departments were estimated to be less than 10%.

Section D. Exceptions to the general methodology for PPV calculation in Phase 2

Belgium:

- The only participating centre allowing positive predictive value (PPV) calculation (i.e. participating in both Phase 1 and 2) was the Ghent University Hospital. This centre, however, had two particularities: it was a reference centre for SSc-ILD and only provided data for this condition; and they did not conduct the systematic search, but retrieved cases directly from a departmental database which included all SSc-ILD patients presenting for assessment during each year. Thus, their theoretical PPV was 1.0. As using this PPV would have led to overestimation, a conservative approach was preferred instead, and the PPV used was the average for all countries (except Belgium). This PPV, however, was not used uniformly across Belgium. As the Liege University Hospital Centre was a reference centre for rheumatological ILDs, overestimation of RA-ILD, mixed CTD-ILD and other CTD-ILD incidence/prevalence was expected, and an alternative PPV was used. The centre selected a random sample of 100 patients from those listed in their database in 2018. This sample was searched manually for the main categories (ILDs, F-ILDs and non-IPF F-ILD), but also automatically by using a refined version of the study algorithm. This version retrieved only patients with at least three (instead of one) code and/or keyword for the condition of interest between 01-January and 31-December. A PPV of 59% was obtained, and the corresponding correction factor of 0.59 was applied to adjust incidence/prevalence of the rheumatological ILDs above.

Denmark:

- Due to the classification issues with IPF and other F-ILD detailed in Section A, in Phase 2 the consecutive non-IPF F-ILD cases used as source population were pre-reviewed in order to exclude misclassified ones. In total, 140 consecutive cases were reviewed to obtain a sample of 100 non-IPF F-ILD patients. Of the 40 excluded patients, two were considered not evaluable (one died before examination and one lacked data for the entire 2-year period of retrospective follow-up) and 38 were excluded (29 did not finally have an ILD, and 9 had IPF). This gave a PPV of 100/138 (73%, i.e. correction factor of 0.73).

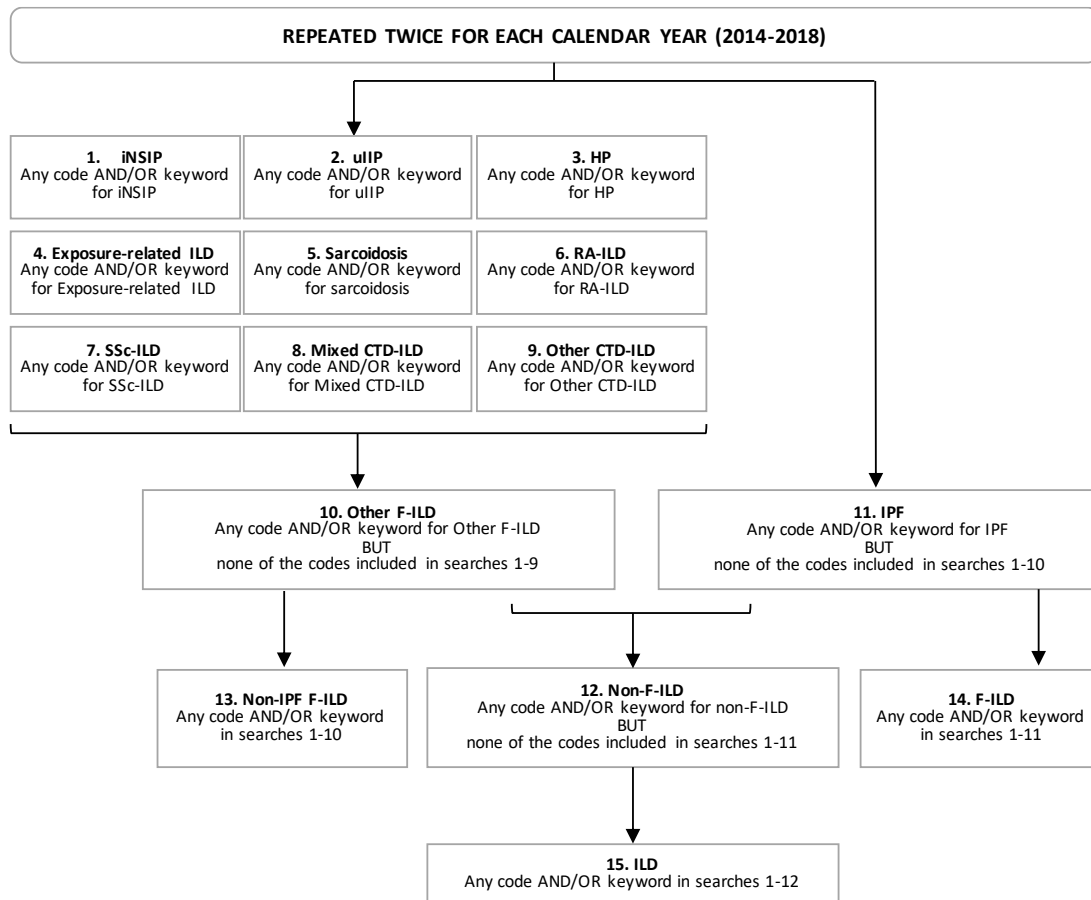
Section E. Sensitivity analyses

Three sensitivity analyses were performed to address the uncertainties around estimates. First, in Phase 1, both minimum and maximum incidence/prevalence estimates were obtained to

account for potential under/overestimation arising from the population taken as reference for calculations (see Section B of this Supplementary Material). Second, in Phase 2, four additional methods were applied to obtain incidence/prevalence of progressive-fibrosing ILDs (PF-ILDs), to assess the impact of potentially centre-related biasing factors such as type (i.e. secondary or tertiary), receipt of referrals, or heterogeneity in referral/treatment patterns. These analyses used: (1b) The weighted country mean percentage of PF behaviour (as in the primary analysis) but applying a correction factor to the coverage areas of the sites participating in Phase 2 (i.e. which directly reported a higher/lower-than-mean percentage of PF behaviour); (2) An overall pooled percentage of PF behaviour across countries obtained through a random-effects model meta-analysis, thus not accounting for distribution of non-IPF F-ILDs within country (heterogeneity among countries was evaluated through the I^2 -statistic); (2b) The overall pooled percentage of PF behaviour (as in Method 2), but applying a correction factor to the coverage area of sites participating in Phase 2 (as in Method 1b); (3) The arithmetic mean for percentages of PF behaviour from each country. Finally, to account for possible overestimations arising from the use of code and/or keywords in the systematic search, the country PPV was applied to crude incidence/prevalence estimates of Phase 1 and 2 to obtain adjusted estimates.

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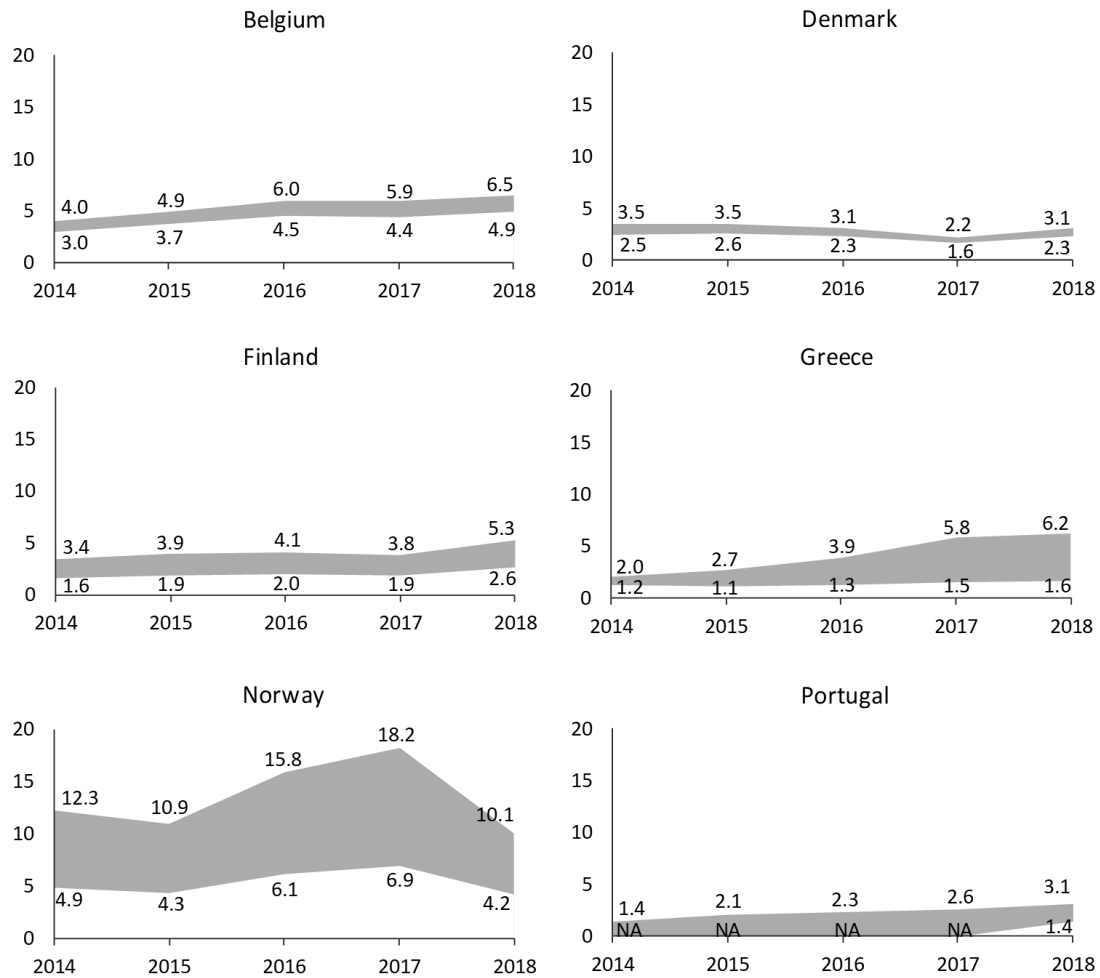
sFigure 1. Algorithm for the systematic search in Phase 1



If a patient fulfilled the algorithm for more than one condition within a given year, the case was counted in each separate condition, but only once in overarching categories.

Abbreviations: CTD-ILD, connective tissue disease-associated interstitial lung disease; F-ILD, fibrosing interstitial lung disease; HP, hypersensitivity pneumonitis; ILD, interstitial lung disease; iNSIP, idiopathic non-specific interstitial pneumonia; IPF, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis; RA-ILD; rheumatoid arthritis-associated interstitial lung disease; SSc-ILD, systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease; uIIP, idiopathic interstitial pneumonia; UIP, usual interstitial pneumonia.

sFigure 2. Annual prevalence (per 10⁵ persons) of SSc-ILD in the participating countries during the study period (2014-2018)



Areas show the widest variability observed in the primary plus sensitivity analyses. In Belgium, Greece, Norway and Portugal, this means the range between the minimum adjusted and the maximum crude estimates. In Denmark and Finland, there was only one participating centre which searched a national or regional database (respectively), so there were no reference and extended populations, but a single population (i.e. no maximum-minimum estimates, but a single estimate). In both countries, the area shows the range between the single crude and adjusted estimates. In Portugal, only one of the participating centres reported an extended population, and only for 2018. Therefore, minimum estimates could not be obtained for 2014-2017. For these years, the area shows the range from 0 to maximum crude estimates.

Abbreviations: SSc-ILD, systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease; NA, not available.

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sTable 1. PPVs by centre and country

Country	Centre 1	Centre 2	Centre 3	Overall
Belgium	0.75			0.75
Denmark	0.73			0.73
Finland	0.49			0.49
Greece	0.64	0.93	0.80	0.79
Norway	0.75			0.75
Portugal	0.68	0.77		0.73

Belgium: Centre 1 - Ghent University Hospital.

Denmark: Centre 1 (Lillebælt Hospital).

Finland: Centre 1 (Turku University Hospital)

Greece: Centre 1 (University Hospital of Larissa), Centre 2 (General Hospital of Thessaloniki), Centre 3 (Athens Medical Centre).

Norway: Centre 1 (Oslo University Hospital, Rikshospitalet).

Portugal: Centre 1 (Sao Joao University Hospital Centre), Centre 2 (Beatriz Angelo Hospital).

Abbreviations: PPV, positive predictive value.

sTable 2. Incidence per 10⁵ person-years (95%CI) of ILDs, F-ILDs, IPF, non-IPF F-ILDs, and SSc-ILD in each country and overall, annually and for the whole study period

	Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
ILDs	Belgium	Min	17.9 (16.9,18.9)	14.0 (12.3,16.0)	17.5 (15.4,19.9)	17.2 (15.1,19.5)	21.0 (18.7,23.7)	20.5 (18.1,23.1)
		Max	71.1 (67.7,74.7)	55.3 (49.3,62.1)	63.5 (56.8,71.1)	71.4 (63.9,79.7)	86.9 (78.4,96.3)	83.6 (75.2,93.0)
	Denmark	Min	41.3 (40.5,42.1)	41.0 (39.1,42.9)	43.8 (41.9,45.8)	43.1 (41.2,45.0)	38.5 (36.8,40.4)	40.1 (38.3,42.0)
		Max	56.9 (56.0,57.9)	56.5 (54.3,58.8)	60.4 (58.2,62.8)	59.4 (57.2,61.7)	53.1 (51.0,55.3)	55.3 (53.2,57.5)
	Finland	Min	26.2 (24.1,28.6)	36.7 (31.2,43.3)	20.8 (16.7,25.9)	22.6 (18.3,27.8)	24.8 (20.3,30.2)	26.3 (21.7,31.9)
		Max	53.5 (50.4,56.9)	75.0 (66.8,84.1)	42.4 (36.4,49.4)	46.1 (39.8,53.3)	50.6 (44.0,58.2)	53.7 (46.9,61.4)
	Greece	Min	10.6 (10.1,11.1)	5.8 (5.1,6.6)	10.0 (9.0,11.1)	11.4 (10.3,12.6)	13.3 (12.1,14.5)	12.5 (11.4,13.7)
		Max	24.1 (23.2,25.1)	20.2 (18.1,22.5)	21.7 (19.8,23.8)	23.2 (21.3,25.4)	29.2 (27.0,31.7)	25.2 (23.2,27.5)
	Norway	Min	12.4 (11.8,13.1)	NA	12.3 (11.0,13.7)	16.6 (15.2,18.2)	11.1 (10.0,12.4)	9.9 (8.8,11.1)
		Max	31.8 (30.4,33.2)	NA	31.4 (28.6,34.5)	43.2 (39.9,46.7)	29.4 (26.7,32.3)	24.2 (21.9,26.7)
	Portugal	Min	8.0 (7.6,8.5)	6.3 (5.3,7.3)	8.2 (7.1,9.4)	7.3 (6.3,8.4)	8.7 (7.6,9.9)	9.4 (8.3,10.5)
		Max	11.1 (10.5,11.7)	8.6 (7.5,9.9)	11.3 (10.1,12.7)	10.1 (8.9,11.4)	11.9 (10.7,13.4)	12.9 (11.7,14.2)
	Overall	Min	20.1 (18.3,21.8)	22.3 (20.5,24.2)	18.7 (17.0,20.4)	19.6 (17.9,21.3)	19.7 (17.9,21.4)	20.0 (18.2,21.8)
		Max	42.0 (39.1,44.9)	43.1 (40.1,46.1)	38.5 (35.7,41.3)	42.2 (39.3,45.1)	43.5 (40.6,46.5)	42.5 (39.7,45.3)
F-ILDs	Belgium	Min	16.7 (15.8,17.7)	13.3 (11.6,15.2)	16.4 (14.4,18.7)	16.0 (14.0,18.2)	19.9 (17.6,22.5)	18.7 (16.5,21.2)
		Max	66.4 (63.1,69.8)	52.3 (46.5,58.8)	59.5 (53.0,66.7)	66.3 (59.2,74.3)	82.2 (74.1,91.3)	76.2 (68.3,85.1)
	Denmark	Min	40.2 (39.4,41.1)	40.0 (38.2,41.9)	42.8 (40.9,44.8)	42.0 (40.1,43.9)	37.5 (35.7,39.3)	39.1 (37.3,40.9)
		Max	55.5 (54.5,56.5)	55.1 (53.0,57.4)	59.0 (56.8,61.3)	57.9 (55.7,60.1)	51.7 (49.6,53.8)	53.9 (51.8,56.0)
	Finland	Min	22.4 (20.4,24.6)	33.1 (27.8,39.3)	18.3 (14.5,23.1)	18.2 (14.4,23.0)	21.3 (17.2,26.4)	21.5 (17.4,26.6)
		Max	45.8 (42.9,48.9)	67.5 (59.8,76.2)	37.3 (31.7,43.9)	37.1 (31.6,43.7)	43.5 (37.4,50.5)	43.8 (37.8,50.9)
		Min	9.8 (9.4,10.3)	5.3 (4.6,6.1)	9.4 (8.5,10.5)	10.6 (9.6,11.7)	12.3 (11.2,13.5)	11.5 (10.4,12.7)

Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
Greece	Max	22.4 (21.5,23.4)	18.9 (16.9,21.1)	20.4 (18.6,22.5)	21.6 (19.7,23.7)	27.2 (25.1,29.6)	23.1 (21.1,25.2)	
Norway	Min	11.2 (10.6,11.8)	NA	11.0 (9.8,12.4)	14.5 (13.2,16.0)	10.1 (9.0,11.4)	9.1 (8.1,10.2)	
	Max	28.5 (27.2,29.9)	NA	28.2 (25.6,31.1)	37.7 (34.7,41.0)	26.8 (24.3,29.6)	22.2 (20.1,24.6)	
Portugal	Min	6.3 (5.8,6.7)	4.6 (3.9,5.6)	6.0 (5.1,7.1)	5.4 (4.5,6.4)	7.2 (6.2,8.3)	7.7 (6.8,8.7)	
	Max	8.6 (8.1,9.2)	6.4 (5.5,7.5)	8.3 (7.2,9.5)	7.4 (6.4,8.6)	9.9 (8.7,11.2)	10.6 (9.5,11.8)	
Overall	Min	18.3 (16.6,19.9)	20.6 (18.8,22.4)	17.2 (15.5,18.8)	17.5 (15.9,19.2)	18.0 (16.4,19.7)	17.9 (16.2,19.6)	
	Max	38.4 (35.6,41.2)	40.0 (37.2,42.9)	35.5 (32.8,38.2)	38.0 (35.2,40.8)	40.2 (37.4,43.1)	38.3 (35.6,41.0)	
IPF	Belgium	Min	0.9 (0.7,1.3)	0.7 (0.3,1.5)	1.1 (0.6,2.1)	0.6 (0.3,1.4)	1.2 (0.7,2.2)	1.1 (0.6,2.1)
		Max	3.8 (2.9,4.9)	2.7 (1.4,5.5)	4.1 (2.4,7.0)	2.5 (1.2,5.3)	5.0 (3.0,8.4)	4.6 (2.7,7.9)
Denmark	Min	0.4 (0.4,0.5)	0.4 (0.4,0.5)	0.5 (0.5,0.6)	0.4 (0.4,0.5)	0.4 (0.3,0.4)	0.4 (0.4,0.5)	
	Max	10.6 (10.2,11.1)	10.3 (9.4,11.3)	11.4 (10.4,12.4)	11.4 (10.5,12.4)	9.8 (8.9,10.7)	10.3 (9.4,11.2)	
Finland	Min	3.5 (2.7,4.4)	4.2 (2.6,6.8)	3.5 (2.1,6.0)	3.0 (1.7,5.3)	3.5 (2.1,5.9)	3.2 (1.9,5.6)	
	Max	7.1 (6.0,8.4)	8.5 (6.1,12.0)	7.2 (5.0,10.4)	6.1 (4.1,9.2)	7.1 (4.9,10.3)	6.6 (4.5,9.7)	
Greece	Min	3.5 (3.3,3.8)	1.5 (1.2,2.0)	3.5 (3.0,4.2)	3.8 (3.2,4.5)	4.3 (3.6,5.0)	4.5 (3.9,5.3)	
	Max	8.0 (7.4,8.5)	4.3 (3.4,5.4)	7.6 (6.5,8.9)	8.2 (7.0,9.5)	9.2 (8.0,10.6)	9.7 (8.5,11.2)	
Norway	Min	2.2 (1.9,2.5)	NA	2.1 (1.6,2.7)	2.4 (1.9,3.0)	2.2 (1.7,2.8)	2.0 (1.6,2.6)	
	Max	5.5 (5.0,6.2)	NA	5.3 (4.2,6.6)	6.2 (5.0,7.6)	5.8 (4.7,7.2)	4.9 (4.0,6.2)	
Portugal	Min	0.9 (0.7,1.1)	0.7 (0.4,1.1)	0.7 (0.4,1.1)	0.6 (0.4,1.0)	1.2 (0.9,1.8)	1.1 (0.8,1.5)	
	Max	1.2 (1.0,1.4)	1.0 (0.7,1.5)	0.9 (0.6,1.4)	0.9 (0.6,1.3)	1.7 (1.3,2.3)	1.5 (1.1,2.0)	
Overall	Min	2.0 (1.4,2.5)	1.7 (1.2,2.3)	2.0 (1.4,2.5)	1.8 (1.3,2.4)	2.2 (1.6,2.7)	2.1 (1.5,2.7)	
	Max	6.0 (4.9,7.1)	5.4 (4.3,6.4)	6.1 (4.9,7.2)	5.9 (4.8,7.0)	6.4 (5.3,7.6)	6.3 (5.2,7.4)	
Belgium	Min	15.8 (14.9,16.7)	12.6 (11.0,14.4)	15.3 (13.3,17.5)	15.4 (13.5,17.5)	18.7 (16.6,21.2)	17.6 (15.4,20.0)	
	Max	62.6 (59.5,65.9)	49.5 (43.9,55.8)	55.4 (49.3,62.3)	63.8 (56.9,71.6)	77.2 (69.4,86.0)	71.7 (64.1,80.1)	

	Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
Non-IPF F-ILDs	Denmark	Min	32.5 (31.8,33.3)	32.5 (30.8,34.2)	34.6 (32.9,36.3)	33.7 (32.0,35.4)	30.4 (28.8,32.0)	31.6 (30.0,33.3)	
		Max	54.9 (53.9,55.9)	54.6 (52.4,56.8)	58.3 (56.1,60.6)	57.3 (55.1,59.6)	51.1 (49.1,53.3)	53.3 (51.2,55.4)	
	Finland	Min	19.0 (17.1,21.0)	28.9 (24.0,34.8)	14.7 (11.4,19.1)	15.2 (11.8,19.6)	17.8 (14.1,22.5)	18.2 (14.5,23.0)	
		Max	38.7 (36.0,41.5)	58.9 (51.8,67.1)	30.1 (25.1,36.1)	31.0 (25.9,37.0)	36.4 (30.9,42.8)	37.2 (31.7,43.8)	
	Greece	Min	6.3 (5.9,6.7)	3.8 (3.2,4.5)	5.9 (5.1,6.7)	6.8 (6.0,7.7)	8.0 (7.2,9.0)	6.9 (6.1,7.9)	
		Max	15.5 (14.8,16.3)	15.2 (13.4,17.2)	13.5 (12.0,15.2)	14.4 (12.9,16.1)	19.6 (17.8,21.6)	14.8 (13.3,16.6)	
	Norway	Min	9.0 (8.5,9.6)	NA	9.0 (7.9,10.2)	12.1 (10.9,13.5)	7.9 (7.0,9.0)	7.1 (6.2,8.1)	
		Max	23.0 (21.8,24.2)	NA	22.9 (20.6,25.6)	31.5 (28.8,34.6)	21.0 (18.8,23.5)	17.3 (15.4,19.4)	
	Portugal	Min	5.4 (5.0,5.8)	3.9 (3.2,4.8)	5.3 (4.5,6.3)	4.7 (4.0,5.7)	5.9 (5.0,7.0)	6.6 (5.7,7.6)	
		Max	7.4 (7.0,7.9)	5.4 (4.6,6.4)	7.4 (6.4,8.5)	6.5 (5.6,7.6)	8.2 (7.1,9.4)	9.1 (8.1,10.2)	
	Overall	Min	15.1 (13.6,16.7)	17.6 (15.9,19.2)	14.0 (12.5,15.5)	14.5 (13.0,16.0)	14.8 (13.3,16.3)	14.7 (13.2,16.3)	
		Max	34.3 (31.7,36.9)	36.7 (34.0,39.5)	31.3 (28.8,33.8)	34.1 (31.5,36.7)	35.6 (32.9,38.3)	33.9 (31.4,36.4)	
	Ssc-ILD	Belgium	Min	0.9 (0.7,1.0)	0.4 (0.2,0.8)	1.1 (0.8,1.6)	1.1 (0.8,1.6)	0.7 (0.4,1.1)	1.0 (0.6,1.4)
			Max	1.1 (1.0,1.4)	0.5 (0.3,0.9)	1.5 (1.1,2.0)	1.5 (1.1,2.1)	1.0 (0.6,1.4)	1.3 (0.9,1.8)
Denmark		Min	0.5 (0.4,0.6)	0.5 (0.3,0.7)	0.5 (0.3,0.7)	0.4 (0.3,0.7)	0.5 (0.3,0.7)	0.5 (0.3,0.7)	
		Max	0.6 (0.5,0.7)	0.7 (0.5,1.0)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.6 (0.4,0.8)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	
Finland		Min	0.3 (0.1,0.7)	0.4 (0.1,1.9)	0.1 (0.0,2.1)	0.4 (0.1,1.9)	0.2 (0.0,1.8)	0.5 (0.1,2.0)	
		Max	0.7 (0.4,1.1)	0.8 (0.3,2.4)	0.3 (0.0,1.8)	0.8 (0.2,2.4)	0.5 (0.1,2.0)	1.0 (0.4,2.7)	
Greece		Min	0.4 (0.3,0.5)	0.4 (0.2,0.6)	0.4 (0.2,0.6)	0.4 (0.2,0.6)	0.5 (0.3,0.8)	0.4 (0.3,0.7)	
		Max	1.1 (0.9,1.4)	1.4 (0.9,2.1)	1.0 (0.6,1.5)	0.7 (0.4,1.2)	1.7 (1.2,2.3)	1.0 (0.7,1.5)	
Norway		Min	0.9 (0.7,1.1)	NA	0.7 (0.4,1.1)	1.5 (1.1,2.0)	0.7 (0.5,1.1)	0.6 (0.4,1.0)	
		Max	2.2 (1.9,2.6)	NA	1.8 (1.2,2.6)	3.8 (2.9,5.0)	1.9 (1.3,2.8)	1.5 (1.0,2.2)	
		Min	0.3 (0.3,0.5)	0.3 (0.1,0.6)	0.5 (0.3,0.9)	0.3 (0.1,0.6)	0.3 (0.1,0.6)	0.3 (0.2,0.6)	

Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Portugal	Max	0.5 (0.4,0.6)	0.4 (0.2,0.7)	0.7 (0.5,1.2)	0.4 (0.2,0.8)	0.4 (0.2,0.8)	0.5 (0.3,0.8)
Overall	Min	0.5 (0.2,0.8)	0.4 (0.1,0.6)	0.5 (0.2,0.8)	0.6 (0.3,0.9)	0.5 (0.2,0.7)	0.5 (0.2,0.8)
	Max	1.0 (0.6,1.4)	0.7 (0.4,1.1)	1.0 (0.6,1.4)	1.3 (0.8,1.8)	1.0 (0.6,1.4)	1.0 (0.6,1.4)

The table shows the widest variability observed. In Belgium, Greece and Norway, this means the minimum adjusted and the maximum crude estimates (the participating centre in Norway could not retrieve incident cases for 2014, and thus incidence could not be estimated for that year). In Denmark and Finland, there was only one participating centre which searched a national or regional database (respectively), so there were no reference and extended populations, but a single population (i.e. no maximum-minimum estimates, but a single estimate). In these countries, the single crude and adjusted estimates are shown. In Portugal, only one of the participating centres reported an extended population, and only for 2018. Plus, incident cases for 2018 could not be retrieved in this centre, so minimum adjusted estimates could not be obtained for Portugal. Instead, the table shows the nearest estimates (maximum adjusted) as minimum values.

Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; ILDs, interstitial lung diseases; F-ILDs, fibrosing interstitial lung diseases; IPF, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis; NA, not available; SSc-ILD, systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease.

sTable 3. Prevalence per 10⁵ persons (95%CI) of ILD, F-ILD, IPF, non-IPF F-ILD, and SSc-ILD in each country and overall, annually and for the whole study period

	Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
ILDs	Belgium	Min	49.8 (46.7,53.0)	37.5 (34.9,40.1)	45.5 (42.5,48.5)	52.0 (48.8,55.3)	55.4 (52.0,58.9)	61.4 (57.8,65.1)
		Max	195.1 (184.3,205.8)	145.4 (136.7,154.2)	163.3 (154.1,172.6)	213.1 (201.5,224.6)	225.4 (213.4,237.5)	247.4 (234.6,260.1)
	Denmark	Min	132.2 (128.9,135.6)	130.8 (127.4,134.2)	141.1 (137.6,144.6)	128.5 (125.2,131.8)	121.7 (118.5,124.9)	139.2 (135.7,142.6)
		Max	182.4 (178.5,186.3)	180.4 (176.5,184.4)	194.7 (190.6,198.7)	177.2 (173.3,181.1)	167.9 (164.1,171.6)	191.9 (187.9,195.9)
	Finland	Min	90.9 (81.4,100.3)	90.8 (81.3,100.3)	85.8 (76.6,95.0)	87.8 (78.5,97.1)	90.7 (81.3,100.1)	99.0 (89.2,108.8)
		Max	185.4 (172.0,198.9)	185.3 (171.8,198.9)	175.1 (162.0,188.3)	179.2 (166.0,192.5)	185.2 (171.7,198.6)	202.1 (188.1,216.1)
	Greece	Min	23.8 (21.0,26.6)	16.3 (14.0,18.6)	17.5 (15.1,19.8)	23.0 (20.3,25.8)	28.5 (25.4,31.5)	33.6 (30.3,36.9)
		Max	93.3 (85.0,101.5)	67.7 (60.7,74.7)	67.4 (60.4,74.4)	90.3 (82.2,98.4)	113.0 (103.9,122.1)	128.3 (118.6,138.0)
	Norway	Min	55.8 (53.0,58.5)	48.2 (45.5,50.8)	49.5 (46.8,52.1)	59.9 (57.0,62.7)	63.4 (60.5,66.3)	56.8 (54.1,59.5)
		Max	142.1 (136.0,148.2)	121.1 (115.3,126.9)	126.5 (120.6,132.4)	155.6 (149.1,162.0)	167.4 (160.8,174.0)	138.8 (133.1,144.5)
	Portugal	Min	31.3 (28.1,34.4)	NA	NA	NA	NA	35.4 (32.1,38.8)
		Max	52.4 (47.9,56.9)	35.9 (32.2,39.5)	45.9 (41.8,49.9)	51.8 (47.5,56.2)	58.0 (53.4,62.6)	76.7 (70.6,82.9)
	Overall	Min	65.8 (62.3,69.4)	60.1 (56.7,63.6)	63.3 (59.8,66.8)	65.8 (62.2,69.3)	67.9 (64.3,71.5)	72.1 (68.4,75.8)
		Max	142.6 (136.4,148.8)	122.6 (116.9,128.4)	128.8 (122.9,134.7)	144.5 (138.3,150.8)	152.8 (146.4,159.2)	164.2 (157.5,170.9)
F-ILDs	Belgium	Min	48.3 (45.2,51.4)	36.6 (34.1,39.2)	44.3 (41.4,47.2)	50.3 (47.2,53.5)	53.9 (50.5,57.2)	58.9 (55.3,62.4)
		Max	189.0 (178.5,199.5)	142.0 (133.4,150.6)	159.0 (149.9,168.0)	205.9 (194.6,217.1)	219.0 (207.2,230.8)	236.8 (224.5,249.1)
	Denmark	Min	129.7 (126.3,133.0)	128.1 (124.8,131.4)	138.6 (135.2,142.1)	125.9 (122.7,129.2)	119.2 (116.0,122.3)	136.6 (133.2,139.9)
		Max	178.8 (175.0,182.7)	176.7 (172.8,180.6)	191.2 (187.2,195.3)	173.7 (169.9,177.5)	164.4 (160.7,168.1)	188.3 (184.4,192.3)
	Finland	Min	83.0 (73.9,92.0)	84.3 (75.2,93.5)	79.9 (71.0,88.8)	79.3 (70.5,88.1)	82.3 (73.3,91.2)	89.0 (79.7,98.3)
		Max	169.3 (156.4,182.2)	172.1 (159.1,185.2)	163.1 (150.4,175.7)	161.8 (149.2,174.4)	167.9 (155.1,180.7)	181.6 (168.3,194.9)
		Min	22.7 (20.0,25.4)	15.7 (13.4,17.9)	16.8 (14.4,19.1)	22.1 (19.4,24.8)	27.1 (24.1,30.0)	31.7 (28.5,35.0)

Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
Greece	Max	89.5 (81.4,97.6)	65.5 (58.6,72.3)	65.2 (58.3,72.1)	87.2 (79.2,95.2)	108.3 (99.4,117.2)	121.6 (112.1,131.0)	
Norway	Min	50.9 (48.3,53.5)	44.0 (41.4,46.5)	44.8 (42.2,47.3)	53.1 (50.4,55.8)	58.6 (55.8,61.4)	52.9 (50.2,55.5)	
	Max	129.7 (123.9,135.5)	110.6 (105.1,116.2)	114.4 (108.8,120.0)	138.0 (131.9,144.1)	154.8 (148.5,161.2)	129.2 (123.7,134.7)	
Portugal	Min	20.3 (17.8,22.8)	NA	NA	NA	NA	26.7 (23.8,29.6)	
	Max	34.0 (30.4,37.6)	21.0 (18.2,23.7)	28.4 (25.1,31.6)	32.2 (28.8,35.6)	36.9 (33.2,40.5)	57.9 (52.5,63.2)	
Overall	Min	60.6 (57.2,64.0)	55.7 (52.4,59.0)	58.6 (55.2,62.0)	59.8 (56.4,63.2)	62.0 (58.6,65.5)	66.8 (63.2,70.4)	
	Max	132.5 (126.5,138.5)	114.6 (109.1,120.2)	120.2 (114.5,125.9)	133.1 (127.2,139.1)	141.9 (135.7,148.1)	152.6 (146.1,159.0)	
IPF	Belgium	Min	4.4 (3.0,5.8)	0.9 (0.3,1.6)	2.9 (1.8,4.0)	4.9 (3.5,6.4)	5.8 (4.2,7.4)	7.5 (5.7,9.3)
		Max	17.8 (12.9,22.6)	3.8 (1.5,6.0)	10.6 (7.0,14.2)	20.9 (15.5,26.2)	24.2 (18.5,30.0)	31.0 (24.5,37.4)
Denmark	Min	2.7 (2.2,3.1)	2.6 (2.2,3.1)	2.8 (2.3,3.3)	2.7 (2.2,3.2)	2.3 (1.9,2.7)	2.8 (2.4,3.3)	
	Max	27.7 (26.2,29.3)	25.9 (24.4,27.4)	29.3 (27.8,30.9)	27.4 (25.9,28.9)	25.7 (24.2,27.1)	30.4 (28.8,32.0)	
Finland	Min	11.2 (7.8,14.5)	8.5 (5.6,11.4)	10.5 (7.2,13.7)	11.3 (8.0,14.6)	12.5 (9.0,16.0)	13.0 (9.5,16.6)	
	Max	22.8 (18.0,27.5)	17.3 (13.2,21.5)	21.3 (16.8,25.9)	23.0 (18.3,27.8)	25.4 (20.4,30.4)	26.6 (21.5,31.7)	
Greece	Min	6.2 (4.8,7.7)	2.9 (1.9,3.9)	4.1 (2.9,5.2)	5.9 (4.5,7.3)	8.0 (6.4,9.6)	10.3 (8.4,12.1)	
	Max	17.8 (14.2,21.4)	8.2 (5.8,10.7)	11.7 (8.8,14.6)	16.9 (13.4,20.5)	23.0 (18.9,27.1)	29.3 (24.7,33.9)	
Norway	Min	8.1 (7.1,9.2)	8.1 (7.0,9.2)	6.5 (5.5,7.4)	8.1 (7.0,9.1)	8.7 (7.6,9.8)	9.0 (7.9,10.1)	
	Max	20.7 (18.3,23.0)	20.5 (18.1,22.8)	16.5 (14.4,18.7)	21.0 (18.6,23.4)	22.9 (20.5,25.4)	22.0 (19.7,24.3)	
Portugal	Min	2.8 (1.9,3.7)	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.1 (2.1,4.1)	
	Max	4.7 (3.4,6.0)	2.8 (1.8,3.8)	4.1 (2.9,5.3)	4.9 (3.6,6.3)	5.5 (4.1,6.9)	6.8 (4.9,8.6)	
Overall	Min	6.2 (5.1,7.3)	4.4 (3.4,5.4)	5.3 (4.2,6.3)	6.3 (5.2,7.5)	7.1 (5.9,8.4)	7.8 (6.6,9.1)	
	Max	18.6 (16.3,20.9)	13.1 (11.1,15.0)	15.6 (13.5,17.7)	19.0 (16.7,21.3)	21.1 (18.7,23.6)	24.3 (21.7,27.0)	
Belgium	Min	44.2 (41.3,47.0)	35.7 (33.2,38.2)	41.4 (38.7,44.2)	45.4 (42.5,48.3)	48.1 (45.0,51.2)	51.4 (48.2,54.6)	
	Max	172.4 (162.6,182.1)	138.2 (129.8,146.6)	148.4 (139.8,157.0)	185.0 (174.6,195.3)	194.8 (184.0,205.6)	205.8 (194.8,216.9)	

	Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Non-IPF F-ILDs	Denmark	Min	109.6 (106.6,112.7)	109.3 (106.2,112.4)	117.7 (114.5,120.9)	106.3 (103.3,109.3)	100.3 (97.4,103.3)	114.7 (111.6,117.8)
		Max	175.3 (171.5,179.2)	173.0 (169.1,176.9)	187.8 (183.7,191.8)	170.2 (166.4,174.0)	160.9 (157.2,164.6)	184.8 (180.8,188.7)
	Finland	Min	71.8 (63.4,80.2)	75.9 (67.2,84.5)	69.4 (61.2,77.7)	68.0 (59.8,76.2)	69.8 (61.5,78.0)	75.9 (67.4,84.5)
		Max	146.5 (134.6,158.5)	154.8 (142.4,167.2)	141.7 (129.9,153.5)	138.8 (127.1,150.5)	142.4 (130.6,154.2)	155.0 (142.7,167.3)
	Greece	Min	17.2 (14.9,19.6)	13.7 (11.6,15.8)	13.4 (11.3,15.5)	16.9 (14.6,19.3)	19.8 (17.3,22.4)	22.3 (19.6,25.0)
		Max	69.0 (61.9,76.1)	55.5 (49.2,61.8)	51.9 (45.7,58.0)	67.8 (60.8,74.9)	82.1 (74.3,89.8)	88.1 (80.0,96.1)
	Norway	Min	42.8 (40.4,45.2)	35.9 (33.6,38.2)	38.3 (35.9,40.6)	45.0 (42.5,47.5)	49.9 (47.4,52.5)	43.9 (41.5,46.2)
		Max	109.0 (103.7,114.4)	90.2 (85.1,95.2)	97.9 (92.7,103.0)	117.0 (111.4,122.6)	131.9 (126.0,137.8)	107.2 (102.2,112.2)
	Portugal	Min	17.5 (15.1,19.8)	NA	NA	NA	NA	23.6 (20.8,26.3)
		Max	29.3 (25.9,32.6)	18.2 (15.6,20.8)	24.3 (21.3,27.3)	27.3 (24.1,30.4)	31.4 (28.0,34.7)	51.1 (46.1,56.1)
Overall	Min	51.8 (48.7,55.0)	48.9 (45.9,52.0)	50.6 (47.5,53.8)	51.0 (47.8,54.1)	52.5 (49.3,55.6)	56.2 (52.9,59.4)	
	Max	117.4 (111.8,123.1)	105.0 (99.7,110.3)	108.6 (103.3,114.0)	117.7 (112.1,123.3)	123.9 (118.2,129.7)	132.0 (126.0,137.9)	
SSc-ILD	Belgium	Min	4.1 (3.0,5.3)	3.0 (2.0,4.0)	3.7 (2.6,4.8)	4.5 (3.3,5.7)	4.4 (3.3,5.6)	4.9 (3.7,6.2)
		Max	5.5 (4.2,6.8)	4.0 (2.9,5.1)	4.9 (3.7,6.2)	6.0 (4.6,7.4)	5.9 (4.5,7.3)	6.5 (5.1,8.0)
	Denmark	Min	2.2 (1.8,2.7)	2.5 (2.1,3.0)	2.6 (2.1,3.0)	2.3 (1.8,2.7)	1.6 (1.3,2.0)	2.3 (1.8,2.7)
		Max	3.1 (2.6,3.6)	3.5 (2.9,4.0)	3.5 (3.0,4.1)	3.1 (2.6,3.6)	2.2 (1.8,2.7)	3.1 (2.6,3.6)
	Finland	Min	2.0 (0.6,3.4)	1.6 (0.4,2.9)	1.9 (0.5,3.3)	2.0 (0.6,3.4)	1.9 (0.5,3.2)	2.6 (1.0,4.2)
		Max	4.1 (2.1,6.1)	3.4 (1.5,5.2)	3.9 (1.9,5.8)	4.1 (2.1,6.1)	3.8 (1.9,5.7)	5.3 (3.0,7.6)
	Greece	Min	1.3 (0.7,2.0)	1.2 (0.6,1.8)	1.1 (0.5,1.7)	1.3 (0.6,1.9)	1.5 (0.8,2.3)	1.6 (0.9,2.4)
		Max	4.1 (2.4,5.9)	2.0 (0.8,3.2)	2.7 (1.3,4.2)	3.9 (2.2,5.6)	5.8 (3.7,7.8)	6.2 (4.1,8.4)
	Norway	Min	5.3 (4.4,6.1)	4.9 (4.0,5.7)	4.3 (3.5,5.0)	6.1 (5.2,7.0)	6.9 (5.9,7.8)	4.2 (3.4,4.9)
		Max	13.4 (11.5,15.3)	12.3 (10.4,14.1)	10.9 (9.1,12.6)	15.8 (13.7,17.9)	18.2 (16.0,20.4)	10.1 (8.6,11.7)
		Min	1.3 (0.7,2.0)	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.4 (0.8,2.1)

Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Portugal	Max	2.3 (1.3,3.2)	1.4 (0.7,2.1)	2.1 (1.2,3.0)	2.3 (1.4,3.2)	2.6 (1.6,3.6)	3.1 (1.9,4.3)
Overall	Min	2.6 (1.9,3.4)	2.3 (1.6,3.0)	2.4 (1.7,3.1)	2.8 (2.1,3.6)	2.9 (2.1,3.6)	2.8 (2.0,3.5)
	Max	5.4 (4.3,6.6)	4.4 (3.4,5.5)	4.7 (3.6,5.8)	5.9 (4.6,7.1)	6.4 (5.2,7.7)	5.7 (4.5,6.9)

The table shows the widest variability observed. In Belgium, Greece and Norway and Portugal, this means the minimum adjusted and the maximum crude estimates (In Portugal, only one of the participating centres reported an extended population, and only for 2018, so minimum estimates could only be obtained for that year). In Denmark and Finland, there was only one participating centre which searched a national or regional database (respectively), so there were no reference and extended populations, but a single population (i.e. no maximum-minimum estimates, but a single estimate). In both countries, the single crude and adjusted estimates are shown.

Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; ILDs, interstitial lung diseases; F-ILDs, fibrosing interstitial lung diseases; IPF, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis; NA, not available; SSc-ILD, systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease.

sTable 4. Incidence per 10⁵ person-years (95%CI) of non-IPF F-ILD subtypes in each country and overall, annually and for the whole study period

	Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
iNSIP	Belgium	Min	2.1 (1.7,2.5)	1.2 (0.7,2.2)	2.0 (1.3,3.2)	2.4 (1.6,3.7)	2.6 (1.8,4.0)	2.1 (1.4,3.3)
		Max	8.4 (7.0,10.0)	4.8 (2.8,8.1)	7.5 (5.0,11.2)	10.1 (7.0,14.6)	11.0 (7.8,15.7)	8.8 (5.9,13.0)
	Denmark	Min	0.4 (0.3,0.5)	0.4 (0.3,0.7)	0.5 (0.4,0.8)	0.4 (0.3,0.7)	0.3 (0.2,0.6)	0.4 (0.2,0.6)
		Max	0.6 (0.5,0.7)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.7 (0.5,1.0)	0.6 (0.4,0.8)	0.5 (0.3,0.7)	0.5 (0.4,0.8)
	Finland	Min	1.7 (1.2,2.4)	2.4 (1.3,4.6)	1.0 (0.4,2.7)	1.0 (0.4,2.7)	2.4 (1.2,4.5)	1.7 (0.8,3.7)
		Max	3.5 (2.7,4.4)	4.9 (3.1,7.7)	2.1 (1.0,4.1)	2.0 (1.0,4.1)	4.8 (3.1,7.6)	3.5 (2.1,6.0)
	Greece	Min	0.4 (0.3,0.5)	0.2 (0.1,0.5)	0.5 (0.3,0.8)	0.4 (0.3,0.7)	0.5 (0.3,0.8)	0.2 (0.1,0.4)
		Max	0.8 (0.7,1.0)	0.7 (0.4,1.2)	1.0 (0.7,1.5)	0.9 (0.6,1.4)	1.0 (0.7,1.5)	0.5 (0.3,0.9)
	Norway	Min	0.9 (0.8,1.1)	NA	0.8 (0.5,1.2)	1.4 (1.0,1.9)	0.9 (0.6,1.4)	0.7 (0.4,1.0)
		Max	2.4 (2.0,2.8)	NA	2.0 (1.4,2.9)	3.6 (2.8,4.7)	2.5 (1.8,3.4)	1.6 (1.1,2.3)
	Portugal	Min	0.1 (0.1,0.2)	0.1 (0.1,0.4)	0.1 (0.0,0.3)	0.2 (0.1,0.5)	0.1 (0.0,0.4)	0.2 (0.1,0.4)
		Max	0.2 (0.1,0.3)	0.2 (0.1,0.5)	0.1 (0.0,0.3)	0.2 (0.1,0.5)	0.2 (0.1,0.4)	0.2 (0.1,0.5)
	Overall	Min	1.0 (0.6,1.4)	1.0 (0.6,1.4)	0.8 (0.5,1.2)	0.9 (0.6,1.3)	1.2 (0.8,1.6)	0.9 (0.5,1.3)
		Max	2.6 (1.9,3.4)	2.2 (1.6,2.9)	2.2 (1.5,2.9)	2.9 (2.1,3.7)	3.3 (2.5,4.2)	2.5 (1.8,3.2)
uIIPs	Belgium	Min	0.1 (0.1,0.2)	0.1 (0.1,0.4)	0.1 (0.0,0.3)	0.2 (0.1,0.5)	0.1 (0.0,0.4)	0.2 (0.1,0.4)
		Max	13.6 (11.8,15.6)	10.6 (7.5,15.1)	13.7 (10.2,18.4)	15.8 (11.8,21.3)	13.5 (9.9,18.6)	14.4 (10.6,19.6)
	Denmark	Min	3.0 (2.8,3.2)	3.3 (2.8,3.9)	3.1 (2.7,3.7)	3.0 (2.5,3.5)	2.7 (2.2,3.2)	3.0 (2.5,3.5)
		Max	4.1 (3.9,4.4)	4.5 (3.9,5.2)	4.3 (3.8,5.0)	4.1 (3.5,4.7)	3.7 (3.1,4.3)	4.1 (3.5,4.7)
	Finland	Min	1.0 (0.6,1.5)	0.8 (0.2,2.4)	0.6 (0.2,2.2)	0.9 (0.3,2.5)	0.7 (0.2,2.3)	1.7 (0.8,3.7)
		Max	1.9 (1.4,2.7)	1.6 (0.7,3.5)	1.3 (0.5,3.1)	1.8 (0.9,3.8)	1.5 (0.7,3.4)	3.5 (2.1,6.0)
	Greece	Min	1.0 (0.6,1.5)	0.8 (0.2,2.4)	0.6 (0.2,2.2)	0.9 (0.3,2.5)	0.7 (0.2,2.3)	1.7 (0.8,3.7)
		Max	1.7 (1.4,1.9)	1.1 (0.7,1.7)	1.1 (0.8,1.7)	2.0 (1.4,2.7)	2.3 (1.7,3.0)	1.7 (1.2,2.3)

	Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
	Norway	Min	0.9 (0.7,1.1)	NA	0.7 (0.4,1.1)	1.6 (1.2,2.1)	0.5 (0.3,0.8)	0.8 (0.6,1.2)	
		Max	2.3 (1.9,2.7)	NA	1.8 (1.2,2.6)	4.0 (3.1,5.2)	1.2 (0.8,2.0)	2.0 (1.4,2.8)	
	Portugal	Min	0.8 (0.7,1.0)	0.5 (0.3,0.9)	0.7 (0.4,1.1)	0.7 (0.5,1.2)	1.1 (0.7,1.6)	1.1 (0.8,1.5)	
		Max	1.2 (1.0,1.4)	0.7 (0.5,1.2)	0.9 (0.6,1.4)	1.0 (0.7,1.5)	1.5 (1.1,2.1)	1.5 (1.1,2.0)	
	Overall	Min	1.6 (1.1,2.1)	1.5 (1.0,1.9)	1.5 (1.0,2.0)	1.7 (1.2,2.2)	1.5 (1.0,1.9)	1.8 (1.2,2.3)	
		Max	4.2 (3.2,5.1)	3.7 (2.8,4.6)	3.9 (3.0,4.8)	4.8 (3.8,5.8)	4.0 (3.1,4.9)	4.5 (3.6,5.5)	
	RA-ILD	Belgium	Min	0.6 (0.5,0.6)	0.6 (0.5,0.8)	0.5 (0.4,0.6)	0.6 (0.5,0.8)	0.6 (0.5,0.8)	0.5 (0.4,0.6)
			Max	1.7 (1.5,1.9)	1.8 (1.4,2.3)	1.5 (1.2,1.9)	1.9 (1.5,2.4)	1.9 (1.5,2.4)	1.5 (1.2,1.9)
		Denmark	Min	0.5 (0.4,0.6)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.5 (0.3,0.7)	0.5 (0.3,0.7)	0.5 (0.3,0.7)	0.4 (0.3,0.7)
			Max	0.7 (0.6,0.8)	0.9 (0.6,1.2)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)
Finland		Min	0.9 (0.6,1.5)	1.0 (0.4,2.7)	1.3 (0.5,3.1)	0.5 (0.1,2.0)	0.7 (0.2,2.3)	1.1 (0.4,2.8)	
		Max	1.9 (1.4,2.6)	2.1 (1.0,4.1)	2.6 (1.4,4.8)	1.0 (0.4,2.7)	1.5 (0.7,3.4)	2.3 (1.2,4.4)	
Greece		Min	1.0 (0.8,1.1)	0.5 (0.3,0.8)	1.0 (0.8,1.4)	1.0 (0.7,1.3)	1.1 (0.8,1.5)	1.2 (0.9,1.6)	
		Max	3.1 (2.8,3.5)	3.7 (2.9,4.8)	2.8 (2.1,3.6)	2.3 (1.7,3.0)	4.0 (3.2,4.9)	3.1 (2.4,4.0)	
Norway		Min	0.5 (0.4,0.7)	NA	0.2 (0.1,0.4)	0.7 (0.4,1.1)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.7 (0.5,1.1)	
		Max	1.4 (1.1,1.7)	NA	0.4 (0.2,0.9)	1.7 (1.2,2.6)	1.5 (1.0,2.3)	1.7 (1.2,2.5)	
Portugal		Min	0.4 (0.3,0.5)	0.3 (0.2,0.7)	0.3 (0.1,0.6)	0.4 (0.2,0.8)	0.4 (0.2,0.8)	0.5 (0.3,0.9)	
		Max	0.6 (0.4,0.7)	0.5 (0.3,0.8)	0.4 (0.2,0.7)	0.6 (0.3,1.0)	0.6 (0.4,1.0)	0.7 (0.5,1.1)	
Overall		Min	0.7 (0.4,0.9)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.6 (0.3,0.8)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.7 (0.5,1.0)	
		Max	1.6 (1.1,2.1)	1.8 (1.3,2.3)	1.4 (0.9,1.8)	1.4 (0.9,1.8)	1.7 (1.2,2.2)	1.7 (1.2,2.1)	
Mixed CTD-ILD		Belgium	Min	0.1 (0.1,0.2)	0.1 (0.1,0.2)	0.1 (0.1,0.2)	0.1 (0.1,0.2)	0.1 (0.1,0.2)	0.1 (0.1,0.2)
			Max	0.4 (0.3,0.5)	0.3 (0.2,0.6)	0.4 (0.3,0.7)	0.4 (0.2,0.6)	0.4 (0.2,0.6)	0.4 (0.3,0.7)
			Min	0.4 (0.3,0.5)	0.4 (0.2,0.6)	0.4 (0.3,0.7)	0.5 (0.3,0.8)	0.4 (0.2,0.6)	0.4 (0.3,0.7)

	Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	Denmark	Max	0.6 (0.5,0.7)	0.5 (0.3,0.8)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.7 (0.5,1.0)	0.5 (0.3,0.8)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)
	Finland	Min	1.3 (0.9,1.9)	2.8 (1.5,5.1)	0.5 (0.1,2.0)	1.3 (0.5,3.0)	1.1 (0.4,2.9)	0.9 (0.3,2.5)
		Max	2.7 (2.0,3.5)	5.7 (3.7,8.6)	1.0 (0.4,2.7)	2.6 (1.4,4.8)	2.3 (1.2,4.4)	1.8 (0.8,3.7)
	Greece	Min	0.2 (0.1,0.2)	0.1 (0.0,0.3)	0.2 (0.1,0.4)	0.1 (0.0,0.3)	0.3 (0.2,0.6)	0.2 (0.1,0.4)
		Max	0.6 (0.4,0.7)	0.5 (0.3,1.0)	0.5 (0.3,0.9)	0.2 (0.1,0.5)	1.1 (0.8,1.7)	0.5 (0.3,0.9)
	Norway	Min	0.4 (0.3,0.6)	NA	0.3 (0.1,0.6)	0.8 (0.5,1.2)	0.3 (0.1,0.5)	0.4 (0.2,0.7)
		Max	1.1 (0.9,1.4)	NA	0.7 (0.4,1.3)	2.1 (1.5,3.0)	0.7 (0.4,1.3)	0.9 (0.6,1.5)
	Portugal	Min	0.1 (0.0,0.1)	0.1 (0.0,0.3)	0.1 (0.0,0.3)	0.0 (0.0, 0.0)	0.1 (0.0,0.3)	0.1 (0.0,0.3)
		Max	0.1 (0.1,0.2)	0.1 (0.0,0.3)	0.1 (0.0,0.4)	0.0 (0.0, 0.0)	0.1 (0.0,0.4)	0.1 (0.0,0.3)
	Overall	Min	0.5 (0.3,0.7)	0.9 (0.6,1.2)	0.3 (0.1,0.4)	0.5 (0.3,0.7)	0.4 (0.2,0.6)	0.4 (0.2,0.6)
		Max	0.9 (0.5,1.3)	1.4 (1.0,1.9)	0.6 (0.3,0.9)	1.0 (0.6,1.4)	0.9 (0.5,1.2)	0.7 (0.4,1.0)
Other CTD-ILD	Belgium	Min	0.3 (0.2,0.3)	0.4 (0.3,0.5)	0.3 (0.2,0.4)	0.2 (0.2,0.4)	0.3 (0.2,0.4)	0.2 (0.2,0.4)
		Max	0.9 (0.8,1.0)	1.2 (0.9,1.6)	0.8 (0.6,1.2)	0.8 (0.5,1.1)	0.9 (0.6,1.2)	0.8 (0.5,1.1)
	Denmark	Min	0.6 (0.5,0.8)	0.7 (0.5,0.9)	0.6 (0.5,0.9)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)
		Max	0.9 (0.8,1.0)	0.9 (0.7,1.2)	0.9 (0.7,1.2)	0.9 (0.6,1.2)	0.9 (0.6,1.2)	0.9 (0.6,1.2)
	Finland	Min	2.5 (1.9,3.3)	2.8 (1.5,5.1)	2.1 (1.1,4.2)	3.0 (1.7,5.3)	2.5 (1.3,4.7)	2.0 (1.0,4.0)
		Max	5.1 (4.2,6.2)	5.7 (3.7,8.6)	4.4 (2.7,7.0)	6.1 (4.1,9.2)	5.1 (3.3,7.9)	4.1 (2.5,6.6)
	Greece	Min	0.4 (0.4,0.6)	0.5 (0.3,0.8)	0.3 (0.2,0.5)	0.4 (0.3,0.7)	0.5 (0.3,0.8)	0.5 (0.3,0.8)
		Max	1.3 (1.1,1.6)	2.9 (2.2,3.9)	0.7 (0.4,1.2)	1.0 (0.6,1.5)	1.2 (0.8,1.8)	1.2 (0.8,1.8)
	Norway	Min	1.1 (0.9,1.3)	NA	1.5 (1.1,2.1)	0.9 (0.6,1.4)	0.9 (0.6,1.3)	1.0 (0.7,1.4)
		Max	2.7 (2.3,3.2)	NA	3.9 (3.0,5.1)	2.4 (1.7,3.4)	2.3 (1.7,3.3)	2.3 (1.7,3.2)
	Portugal	Min	0.6 (0.5,0.8)	0.2 (0.1,0.5)	0.8 (0.5,1.3)	0.6 (0.3,1.0)	0.6 (0.4,1.0)	0.8 (0.5,1.2)
		Max	0.8 (0.7,1.0)	0.3 (0.1,0.6)	1.1 (0.8,1.7)	0.8 (0.5,1.2)	0.9 (0.6,1.3)	1.1 (0.8,1.5)

	Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Exposure-related ILDs	Overall	Min	1.0 (0.7,1.4)	1.1 (0.8,1.4)	1.0 (0.7,1.4)	1.1 (0.8,1.4)	1.0 (0.7,1.3)	0.9 (0.6,1.2)
		Max	2.0 (1.4,2.5)	2.2 (1.6,2.8)	2.0 (1.4,2.5)	2.0 (1.4,2.5)	1.9 (1.3,2.4)	1.7 (1.2,2.2)
	Belgium	Min	1.3 (1.0,1.7)	2.0 (1.2,3.1)	1.4 (0.8,2.4)	0.8 (0.4,1.6)	1.5 (0.9,2.6)	0.9 (0.5,1.9)
		Max	5.3 (4.2,6.6)	7.9 (5.2,11.8)	5.0 (3.1,8.1)	3.2 (1.7,6.2)	6.4 (4.0,10.2)	3.9 (2.1,7.0)
	Denmark	Min	2.2 (2.0,2.4)	2.2 (1.8,2.7)	1.7 (1.3,2.1)	2.4 (2.0,2.9)	2.4 (2.0,2.9)	2.3 (1.9,2.8)
		Max	3.0 (2.8,3.2)	3.0 (2.6,3.6)	2.3 (1.9,2.8)	3.3 (2.8,3.9)	3.3 (2.8,3.8)	3.1 (2.7,3.7)
	Finland	Min	3.2 (2.5,4.1)	6.0 (4.0,9.0)	3.4 (2.0,5.8)	2.4 (1.3,4.5)	2.0 (1.0,4.0)	2.1 (1.1,4.2)
		Max	6.4 (5.4,7.7)	12.1 (9.1,16.2)	6.9 (4.8,10.1)	4.9 (3.1,7.6)	4.1 (2.5,6.6)	4.3 (2.7,6.9)
	Greece	Min	0.3 (0.3,0.4)	0.2 (0.1,0.4)	0.3 (0.2,0.6)	0.4 (0.3,0.7)	0.3 (0.2,0.6)	0.4 (0.3,0.7)
		Max	0.8 (0.6,1.0)	0.6 (0.3,1.2)	0.7 (0.4,1.2)	0.9 (0.6,1.4)	0.7 (0.4,1.1)	1.0 (0.6,1.5)
	Norway	Min	0.2 (0.1,0.3)	NA	0.3 (0.2,0.6)	0.2 (0.1,0.4)	0.2 (0.1,0.5)	0.1 (0.0,0.3)
		Max	0.5 (0.4,0.7)	NA	0.9 (0.5,1.5)	0.4 (0.2,0.9)	0.6 (0.3,1.2)	0.2 (0.1,0.7)
	Portugal	Min	0.2 (0.2,0.3)	0.2 (0.1,0.5)	0.0 (0.0,0.3)	0.1 (0.1,0.4)	0.5 (0.3,0.9)	0.3 (0.2,0.6)
		Max	0.3 (0.2,0.5)	0.2 (0.1,0.5)	0.0 (0.0,0.3)	0.2 (0.1,0.5)	0.7 (0.4,1.1)	0.5 (0.3,0.8)
Overall	Min	1.5 (1.0,1.9)	2.5 (1.8,3.1)	1.3 (0.9,1.8)	1.1 (0.7,1.6)	1.2 (0.8,1.6)	1.1 (0.7,1.5)	
	Max	2.9 (2.1,3.6)	4.8 (3.8,5.8)	2.6 (1.9,3.4)	2.2 (1.5,2.8)	2.6 (1.9,3.4)	2.2 (1.5,2.8)	
Sarcoidosis	Belgium	Min	4.3 (3.7,4.9)	4.4 (3.2,6.1)	4.7 (3.5,6.4)	3.9 (2.8,5.5)	4.8 (3.5,6.4)	3.6 (2.5,5.1)
		Max	17.2 (15.2,19.5)	17.8 (13.6,23.3)	17.1 (13.2,22.3)	16.5 (12.4,22.1)	20.0 (15.4,25.9)	14.8 (10.9,20.0)
	Denmark	Min	13.7 (13.3,14.2)	14.1 (13.1,15.3)	14.4 (13.3,15.5)	13.5 (12.4,14.6)	13.2 (12.2,14.3)	13.5 (12.5,14.6)
		Max	18.9 (18.4,19.5)	19.5 (18.3,20.9)	19.8 (18.5,21.1)	18.6 (17.3,19.9)	18.2 (17.0,19.5)	18.7 (17.5,20.0)
	Finland	Min	6.2 (5.2,7.5)	9.8 (7.1,13.4)	3.4 (2.0,5.8)	4.4 (2.7,7.0)	7.1 (4.9,10.3)	6.6 (4.5,9.7)
		Max	12.7 (11.3,14.4)	19.9 (15.9,24.9)	6.9 (4.8,10.1)	9.0 (6.4,12.5)	14.5 (11.2,18.8)	13.4 (10.3,17.6)
		Min	1.4 (1.2,1.6)	0.9 (0.7,1.3)	1.3 (1.0,1.7)	1.5 (1.2,2.0)	1.8 (1.4,2.3)	1.2 (0.9,1.7)

	Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	Greece	Max	3.1 (2.8,3.5)	2.6 (1.9,3.6)	2.8 (2.2,3.6)	3.3 (2.6,4.2)	3.9 (3.2,4.9)	2.7 (2.1,3.5)
	Norway	Min	2.0 (1.8,2.3)	NA	2.3 (1.7,2.9)	2.1 (1.6,2.7)	2.4 (1.9,3.0)	1.3 (0.9,1.8)
		Max	5.1 (4.6,5.7)	NA	5.8 (4.6,7.2)	5.5 (4.4,6.9)	6.3 (5.1,7.7)	3.2 (2.4,4.2)
	Portugal	Min	1.5 (1.3,1.8)	0.9 (0.6,1.4)	2.0 (1.5,2.6)	1.1 (0.8,1.6)	1.4 (1.0,1.9)	2.2 (1.7,2.7)
		Max	2.1 (1.9,2.4)	1.2 (0.9,1.8)	2.7 (2.2,3.5)	1.6 (1.1,2.1)	1.9 (1.4,2.5)	3.0 (2.4,3.7)
	Overall	Min	5.1 (4.2,6.0)	6.4 (5.4,7.4)	4.5 (3.7,5.4)	4.4 (3.5,5.2)	5.2 (4.3,6.1)	4.8 (3.9,5.7)
		Max	10.1 (8.7,11.5)	12.2 (10.6,13.8)	9.2 (7.8,10.6)	9.1 (7.7,10.4)	10.8 (9.3,12.3)	9.3 (8.0,10.6)
Other F-ILDs	Belgium	Min	2.8 (2.3,3.3)	1.4 (0.8,2.4)	1.4 (0.8,2.4)	2.2 (1.4,3.4)	3.9 (2.8,5.5)	4.9 (3.7,6.6)
		Max	11.1 (9.5,13.0)	5.5 (3.4,8.9)	5.0 (3.1,8.1)	9.4 (6.4,13.7)	16.4 (12.3,21.9)	20.4 (15.8,26.4)
	Denmark	Min	10.0 (9.6,10.4)	9.1 (8.3,10.1)	11.7 (10.7,12.7)	11.2 (10.3,12.2)	8.6 (7.7,9.4)	9.2 (8.4,10.2)
		Max	23.8 (23.1,24.4)	22.4 (21.0,23.8)	26.8 (25.3,28.3)	26.3 (24.8,27.8)	21.0 (19.8,22.4)	22.4 (21.1,23.8)
	Finland	Min	0.4 (0.2,0.8)	0.4 (0.1,1.9)	0.6 (0.2,2.2)	0.3 (0.0,1.8)	0.2 (0.0,1.8)	0.4 (0.1,1.9)
		Max	0.8 (0.5,1.3)	0.8 (0.3,2.4)	1.3 (0.5,3.1)	0.5 (0.1,2.0)	0.5 (0.1,2.0)	0.8 (0.2,2.4)
	Greece	Min	0.5 (0.4,0.6)	0.4 (0.2,0.6)	0.5 (0.3,0.8)	0.5 (0.3,0.8)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.7 (0.5,1.0)
		Max	1.2 (1.0,1.4)	1.0 (0.6,1.6)	1.0 (0.7,1.5)	1.0 (0.7,1.6)	1.3 (0.9,1.9)	1.5 (1.0,2.1)
	Norway	Min	1.8 (1.5,2.0)	NA	1.9 (1.5,2.5)	2.8 (2.2,3.4)	1.2 (0.8,1.6)	1.3 (0.9,1.8)
		Max	4.5 (4.0,5.1)	NA	4.9 (3.9,6.2)	7.2 (5.9,8.7)	3.1 (2.3,4.1)	3.1 (2.4,4.1)
	Portugal	Min	0.5 (0.4,0.6)	0.6 (0.3,1.0)	0.6 (0.3,1.0)	0.4 (0.2,0.8)	0.4 (0.2,0.8)	0.4 (0.2,0.7)
		Max	0.7 (0.5,0.8)	0.8 (0.5,1.2)	0.8 (0.5,1.2)	0.6 (0.4,1.0)	0.6 (0.4,1.0)	0.6 (0.3,0.9)
	Overall	Min	2.5 (1.8,3.1)	2.2 (1.6,2.8)	2.6 (2.0,3.2)	2.7 (2.0,3.3)	2.3 (1.7,2.9)	2.6 (1.9,3.3)
		Max	7.1 (5.9,8.3)	6.1 (5.0,7.2)	6.6 (5.4,7.8)	7.5 (6.3,8.7)	7.2 (5.9,8.4)	8.1 (6.9,9.4)
HP	Belgium	Min	0.2 (0.1,0.4)	0.0 (0.0, 0.0)	0.3 (0.1,0.9)	0.3 (0.1,0.9)	0.3 (0.1,0.9)	0.3 (0.1,0.9)
		Max	0.8 (0.5,1.5)	0.0 (0.0, 0.0)	0.9 (0.3,2.9)	1.1 (0.3,3.3)	1.1 (0.3,3.3)	1.1 (0.3,3.3)

Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Denmark	Min	1.2 (1.1,1.4)	1.1 (0.9,1.5)	1.2 (0.9,1.6)	1.2 (0.9,1.6)	1.3 (1.0,1.7)	1.3 (1.0,1.7)
	Max	1.7 (1.5,1.9)	1.6 (1.2,2.0)	1.7 (1.3,2.1)	1.7 (1.3,2.1)	1.8 (1.4,2.2)	1.8 (1.4,2.2)
Finland	Min	0.9 (0.6,1.5)	1.1 (0.4,2.9)	0.9 (0.3,2.5)	0.9 (0.3,2.5)	0.9 (0.3,2.5)	0.9 (0.3,2.5)
	Max	1.9 (1.4,2.6)	2.3 (1.2,4.5)	1.8 (0.9,3.8)	1.8 (0.9,3.8)	1.8 (0.8,3.7)	1.8 (0.8,3.7)
Greece	Min	1.2 (1.0,1.3)	0.4 (0.3,0.7)	1.1 (0.8,1.5)	1.4 (1.0,1.8)	1.4 (1.1,1.9)	1.5 (1.2,2.0)
	Max	2.6 (2.3,3.0)	1.2 (0.8,1.9)	2.3 (1.8,3.1)	2.9 (2.3,3.7)	3.1 (2.4,4.0)	3.2 (2.6,4.1)
Norway	Min	0.3 (0.2,0.4)	NA	0.3 (0.2,0.6)	0.3 (0.1,0.5)	0.3 (0.2,0.6)	0.3 (0.2,0.6)
	Max	0.8 (0.6,1.1)	NA	0.9 (0.5,1.5)	0.7 (0.4,1.3)	0.9 (0.5,1.5)	0.7 (0.4,1.3)
Portugal	Min	1.6 (1.4,1.8)	1.4 (1.0,2.0)	1.7 (1.3,2.3)	1.5 (1.1,2.1)	1.7 (1.2,2.3)	1.5 (1.1,2.0)
	Max	2.2 (1.9,2.4)	2.0 (1.5,2.6)	2.4 (1.8,3.1)	2.1 (1.6,2.8)	2.3 (1.8,3.0)	2.1 (1.6,2.6)
Overall	Min	0.9 (0.5,1.3)	0.9 (0.5,1.2)	0.9 (0.5,1.3)	0.9 (0.5,1.3)	1.0 (0.6,1.3)	0.9 (0.5,1.3)
	Max	1.7 (1.1,2.3)	1.4 (0.9,2.0)	1.7 (1.1,2.2)	1.7 (1.1,2.3)	1.8 (1.2,2.4)	1.8 (1.2,2.4)

The table shows the widest variability observed. In Belgium, Greece and Norway, this means the minimum adjusted and the maximum crude estimates (the participating centre in Norway could not retrieve incident cases for 2014, and thus incidence could not be estimated for that year). In Denmark and Finland, there was only one participating centre which searched a national or regional database (respectively), so there were no reference and extended populations, but a single population (i.e. no maximum-minimum estimates, but a single estimate). In these countries, the single crude and adjusted estimates are shown. In Portugal, only one of the participating centres reported an extended population, and only for 2018. Plus, incident cases for 2018 could not be retrieved in this centre, so minimum adjusted estimates could not be obtained for Portugal. Instead, the table shows the nearest estimates (maximum adjusted) as minimum values.

Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; CTD-ILD, connective tissue disease-associated interstitial lung disease; F-ILDs, fibrosing interstitial lung diseases; HP, hypersensitivity pneumonitis; iNSIP, idiopathic non-specific interstitial pneumonia; IPF, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis; RA-ILD, rheumatoid arthritis-associated interstitial lung disease; SSc-ILD, systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease; uIIPs, unclassifiable idiopathic interstitial pneumonias.

sTable 5. Prevalence per 10⁵ persons (95%CI) of non-IPF F-ILD subtypes in each country and overall, annually and for the whole study period

Subtype	Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
iNSIP	Belgium	Min	3.1 (2.0,4.3)	1.5 (0.7,2.3)	2.8 (1.7,3.9)	3.7 (2.4,4.9)	3.9 (2.6,5.2)	3.7 (2.5,5.0)
		Max	12.6 (8.6,16.7)	6.2 (3.3,9.0)	10.3 (6.8,13.8)	15.5 (10.8,20.1)	16.4 (11.7,21.1)	15.5 (10.9,20.1)
	Denmark	Min	1.7 (1.3,2.1)	1.6 (1.2,1.9)	1.9 (1.5,2.3)	1.9 (1.5,2.3)	1.5 (1.1,1.8)	1.6 (1.3,2.0)
		Max	2.3 (1.9,2.8)	2.2 (1.7,2.6)	2.6 (2.2,3.1)	2.6 (2.1,3.1)	2.0 (1.6,2.4)	2.2 (1.8,2.7)
	Finland	Min	5.4 (3.1,7.7)	4.4 (2.3,6.5)	4.9 (2.7,7.1)	4.4 (2.3,6.5)	6.1 (3.7,8.5)	7.1 (4.5,9.7)
		Max	11.0 (7.7,14.3)	9.0 (6.0,12.0)	10.0 (6.9,13.2)	9.0 (6.0,11.9)	12.5 (9.0,16.0)	14.4 (10.7,18.2)
	Greece	Min	1.5 (0.8,2.1)	1.4 (0.7,2.1)	1.4 (0.7,2.1)	1.4 (0.7,2.0)	1.3 (0.6,1.9)	1.8 (1.1,2.6)
		Max	4.1 (2.4,5.9)	4.0 (2.3,5.6)	4.0 (2.3,5.7)	3.9 (2.2,5.6)	3.6 (2.0,5.3)	5.2 (3.2,7.2)
	Norway	Min	5.5 (4.6,6.4)	4.1 (3.3,4.9)	4.8 (4.0,5.6)	5.8 (4.9,6.7)	6.6 (5.7,7.6)	5.9 (5.0,6.8)
		Max	14.0 (12.1,15.9)	10.4 (8.7,12.1)	12.3 (10.5,14.1)	15.1 (13.1,17.1)	17.5 (15.3,19.6)	14.4 (12.6,16.3)
	Portugal	Min	0.5 (0.1,1.0)	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.5 (0.1,0.8)
		Max	0.9 (0.3,1.5)	0.9 (0.3,1.5)	0.9 (0.3,1.4)	0.9 (0.3,1.4)	0.9 (0.4,1.5)	1.0 (0.3,1.7)
	Overall	Min	3.1 (2.3,3.9)	2.4 (1.7,3.1)	2.9 (2.1,3.6)	3.0 (2.2,3.8)	3.5 (2.6,4.3)	3.6 (2.8,4.5)
		Max	7.5 (6.1,9.0)	5.4 (4.2,6.7)	6.7 (5.3,8.1)	7.8 (6.3,9.3)	8.8 (7.3,10.4)	8.8 (7.2,10.4)
uIIPs	Belgium	Min	6.0 (4.4,7.6)	5.3 (3.8,6.8)	6.4 (4.7,8.1)	6.1 (4.5,7.8)	6.6 (4.9,8.2)	5.8 (4.2,7.4)
		Max	24.3 (18.7,30.0)	21.2 (15.9,26.5)	23.4 (18.1,28.7)	25.9 (19.9,31.9)	27.4 (21.3,33.6)	23.9 (18.2,29.6)
	Denmark	Min	9.4 (8.5,10.3)	10.8 (9.8,11.7)	11.2 (10.2,12.2)	8.7 (7.8,9.5)	7.7 (6.9,8.5)	8.8 (7.9,9.6)
		Max	13.0 (11.9,14.0)	14.8 (13.7,16.0)	15.5 (14.3,16.6)	12.0 (11.0,13.0)	10.6 (9.7,11.6)	12.1 (11.1,13.1)
	Finland	Min	2.3 (0.8,3.8)	1.3 (0.1,2.4)	1.6 (0.4,2.9)	2.1 (0.7,3.6)	2.6 (1.0,4.2)	3.8 (1.9,5.8)
		Max	4.7 (2.6,6.9)	2.6 (1.0,4.2)	3.3 (1.5,5.2)	4.4 (2.3,6.4)	5.3 (3.1,7.6)	7.9 (5.1,10.6)
	Greece	Min	1.4 (0.7,2.0)	0.5 (0.1,0.9)	0.8 (0.3,1.3)	1.3 (0.7,2.0)	1.9 (1.1,2.7)	2.3 (1.5,3.2)
		Max	3.9 (2.2,5.6)	1.5 (0.5,2.5)	2.2 (1.0,3.5)	3.8 (2.1,5.5)	5.5 (3.5,7.5)	6.6 (4.4,8.8)

Subtype	Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	Norway	Min	3.8 (3.1,4.5)	2.5 (1.9,3.1)	3.0 (2.3,3.6)	4.3 (3.5,5.1)	4.4 (3.6,5.1)	4.6 (3.8,5.3)
		Max	9.6 (8.0,11.2)	6.2 (4.9,7.6)	7.6 (6.2,9.0)	11.1 (9.4,12.9)	11.5 (9.8,13.3)	11.1 (9.5,12.7)
	Portugal	Min	2.1 (1.3,2.9)	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.6 (1.7,3.6)
		Max	3.5 (2.4,4.7)	1.8 (1.0,2.6)	2.8 (1.8,3.8)	3.6 (2.5,4.7)	4.3 (3.0,5.5)	5.7 (4.0,7.4)
	Overall	Min	4.0 (3.1,4.9)	3.4 (2.5,4.2)	3.9 (3.0,4.9)	4.0 (3.1,4.9)	4.2 (3.2,5.1)	4.5 (3.6,5.5)
		Max	9.9 (8.2,11.5)	8.0 (6.5,9.5)	9.1 (7.5,10.7)	10.1 (8.4,11.8)	10.8 (9.1,12.5)	11.2 (9.4,13.0)
RA-ILD	Belgium	Min	4.6 (4.2,5.0)	4.2 (3.8,4.6)	4.5 (4.1,4.9)	4.8 (4.4,5.3)	4.6 (4.2,5.0)	4.9 (4.5,5.3)
		Max	14.3 (13.1,15.4)	12.9 (11.8,14.0)	14.0 (12.8,15.1)	15.0 (13.8,16.2)	14.2 (13.1,15.4)	15.2 (14.0,16.4)
	Denmark	Min	1.3 (1.0,1.7)	1.3 (1.0,1.6)	1.2 (0.9,1.5)	1.4 (1.0,1.7)	1.5 (1.1,1.8)	1.3 (1.0,1.7)
		Max	1.8 (1.4,2.2)	1.8 (1.4,2.2)	1.6 (1.3,2.0)	1.9 (1.5,2.3)	2.0 (1.6,2.4)	1.9 (1.5,2.2)
	Finland	Min	3.1 (1.3,4.8)	2.0 (0.6,3.4)	2.9 (1.2,4.6)	3.3 (1.5,5.1)	3.4 (1.6,5.2)	3.8 (1.9,5.8)
		Max	6.3 (3.8,8.8)	4.1 (2.1,6.2)	5.9 (3.5,8.3)	6.7 (4.1,9.2)	6.9 (4.3,9.5)	7.9 (5.1,10.6)
	Greece	Min	2.5 (1.6,3.4)	1.9 (1.1,2.7)	2.1 (1.3,2.9)	2.7 (1.7,3.6)	2.9 (1.9,3.9)	3.0 (2.0,4.0)
		Max	16.0 (12.6,19.4)	13.0 (9.9,16.0)	13.2 (10.1,16.4)	16.7 (13.2,20.2)	19.0 (15.2,22.7)	18.1 (14.4,21.7)
	Norway	Min	0.8 (0.5,1.1)	0.1 (0.0,0.2)	0.4 (0.1,0.6)	1.1 (0.7,1.5)	1.4 (0.9,1.8)	1.0 (0.7,1.4)
		Max	2.1 (1.3,2.8)	0.2 (0.0,0.5)	0.9 (0.4,1.4)	2.9 (2.0,3.7)	3.6 (2.6,4.6)	2.5 (1.7,3.3)
	Portugal	Min	1.9 (1.1,2.6)	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.9 (1.1,2.7)
		Max	3.1 (2.0,4.2)	2.3 (1.4,3.3)	2.7 (1.7,3.7)	3.2 (2.1,4.2)	3.5 (2.4,4.6)	4.1 (2.7,5.6)
	Overall	Min	2.4 (1.9,2.9)	1.8 (1.4,2.3)	2.2 (1.7,2.7)	2.6 (2.0,3.1)	2.7 (2.1,3.3)	2.7 (2.1,3.3)
		Max	7.3 (6.1,8.4)	5.7 (4.7,6.8)	6.4 (5.3,7.5)	7.7 (6.5,8.9)	8.2 (6.9,9.4)	8.3 (7.0,9.5)
Mixed CTD-ILD	Belgium	Min	0.2 (0.1,0.3)	0.2 (0.1,0.3)	0.2 (0.1,0.3)	0.2 (0.1,0.3)	0.2 (0.1,0.3)	0.2 (0.1,0.3)
		Max	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.6 (0.3,0.8)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)
		Min	2.4 (2.0,2.9)	2.6 (2.1,3.0)	2.6 (2.1,3.1)	2.3 (1.9,2.8)	2.3 (1.8,2.7)	2.3 (1.9,2.8)

Subtype	Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
	Denmark	Max	3.3 (2.8,3.9)	3.5 (3.0,4.1)	3.6 (3.0,4.1)	3.2 (2.7,3.7)	3.1 (2.6,3.6)	3.2 (2.7,3.7)	
	Finland	Min	2.7 (1.1,4.3)	2.9 (1.2,4.6)	1.6 (0.4,2.9)	2.5 (0.9,4.1)	3.1 (1.4,4.9)	3.4 (1.5,5.2)	
		Max	5.5 (3.2,7.9)	5.9 (3.5,8.4)	3.3 (1.5,5.2)	5.1 (2.9,7.4)	6.4 (3.9,8.9)	6.8 (4.3,9.4)	
	Greece	Min	0.4 (0.1,0.8)	0.3 (0.0,0.7)	0.3 (0.0,0.5)	0.4 (0.0,0.7)	0.6 (0.1,1.0)	0.6 (0.1,1.0)	
		Max	2.5 (1.2,3.9)	2.1 (0.8,3.3)	1.4 (0.4,2.4)	2.2 (0.9,3.5)	3.6 (1.9,5.2)	3.4 (1.8,5.0)	
	Norway	Min	2.8 (2.2,3.4)	1.2 (0.7,1.6)	1.6 (1.1,2.1)	3.6 (2.9,4.3)	3.7 (3.0,4.4)	3.8 (3.1,4.5)	
		Max	7.2 (5.8,8.6)	2.9 (2.0,3.8)	4.0 (3.0,5.1)	9.3 (7.7,10.9)	9.8 (8.2,11.4)	9.3 (7.9,10.8)	
	Portugal	Min	0.2 (0.0,0.5)	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.2 (0.0,0.5)	
		Max	0.3 (0.0,0.7)	0.2 (0.1,0.5)	0.3 (0.0,0.6)	0.3 (0.0,0.7)	0.5 (0.1,0.9)	0.5 (0.0,1.0)	
	Overall	Min	1.5 (1.1,2.0)	1.3 (0.9,1.7)	1.1 (0.7,1.5)	1.6 (1.2,2.0)	1.8 (1.3,2.2)	1.8 (1.4,2.3)	
		Max	3.2 (2.4,4.0)	2.5 (1.8,3.3)	2.2 (1.6,2.9)	3.5 (2.6,4.3)	4.0 (3.1,4.9)	4.0 (3.1,4.9)	
	Other CTD-ILD	Belgium	Min	1.1 (0.9,1.3)	1.1 (0.9,1.4)	1.1 (0.9,1.3)	1.1 (0.8,1.3)	1.2 (0.9,1.4)	1.1 (0.9,1.4)
			Max	3.5 (2.9,4.1)	3.5 (3.0,4.1)	3.5 (2.9,4.0)	3.3 (2.7,3.8)	3.6 (3.0,4.1)	3.6 (3.0,4.1)
		Denmark	Min	2.4 (2.0,2.9)	2.5 (2.0,2.9)	2.4 (2.0,2.9)	2.4 (2.0,2.9)	2.4 (1.9,2.8)	2.4 (1.9,2.8)
Max			3.3 (2.8,3.9)	3.4 (2.8,3.9)	3.4 (2.8,3.9)	3.3 (2.8,3.8)	3.3 (2.8,3.8)	3.3 (2.7,3.8)	
Finland		Min	6.1 (3.7,8.6)	6.1 (3.6,8.5)	5.7 (3.3,8.0)	7.0 (4.4,9.7)	5.9 (3.5,8.2)	6.1 (3.6,8.5)	
		Max	12.5 (9.0,16.0)	12.4 (8.9,15.9)	11.6 (8.2,15.0)	14.3 (10.6,18.1)	12.0 (8.5,15.4)	12.4 (8.9,15.9)	
Greece		Min	1.3 (0.6,1.9)	1.4 (0.7,2.1)	1.0 (0.5,1.6)	1.3 (0.7,2.0)	1.3 (0.7,1.9)	1.2 (0.6,1.8)	
		Max	6.7 (4.5,8.9)	8.2 (5.8,10.6)	5.3 (3.4,7.3)	7.2 (4.9,9.5)	6.9 (4.7,9.2)	5.9 (3.8,7.9)	
Norway		Min	6.8 (5.8,7.7)	4.8 (4.0,5.7)	7.7 (6.6,8.7)	7.0 (6.0,7.9)	7.7 (6.7,8.7)	6.5 (5.6,7.4)	
		Max	17.2 (15.1,19.4)	12.1 (10.3,13.9)	19.7 (17.4,22.0)	18.1 (15.9,20.3)	20.3 (18.0,22.6)	15.9 (14.0,17.9)	
Portugal		Min	1.7 (0.9,2.4)	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.4 (1.5,3.3)	
		Max	2.8 (1.8,3.8)	1.1 (0.5,1.8)	2.1 (1.3,3.0)	2.6 (1.7,3.6)	3.4 (2.3,4.6)	5.2 (3.6,6.8)	

Subtype	Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	Overall	Min	3.4 (2.8,4.1)	3.0 (2.4,3.6)	3.4 (2.7,4.0)	3.7 (3.0,4.3)	3.6 (2.9,4.3)	3.4 (2.8,4.1)
		Max	7.7 (6.5,8.9)	6.8 (5.6,7.9)	7.6 (6.4,8.8)	8.1 (6.9,9.4)	8.2 (7.0,9.5)	7.7 (6.5,8.9)
Exposure-related ILDs	Belgium	Min	4.9 (3.5,6.4)	5.8 (4.2,7.4)	5.2 (3.7,6.7)	5.2 (3.7,6.7)	4.2 (2.8,5.5)	4.3 (2.9,5.6)
		Max	19.9 (14.7,25.0)	23.3 (17.7,28.8)	19.0 (14.2,23.8)	21.9 (16.4,27.4)	17.5 (12.6,22.3)	17.6 (12.7,22.5)
	Denmark	Min	3.9 (3.4,4.5)	4.1 (3.5,4.7)	3.3 (2.8,3.8)	4.1 (3.5,4.6)	3.8 (3.2,4.3)	4.5 (3.9,5.1)
		Max	5.4 (4.8,6.1)	5.7 (5.0,6.4)	4.6 (3.9,5.2)	5.6 (4.9,6.3)	5.2 (4.5,5.8)	6.2 (5.5,6.9)
	Finland	Min	17.7 (13.5,21.8)	20.1 (15.7,24.6)	19.8 (15.4,24.2)	17.3 (13.2,21.4)	16.3 (12.3,20.3)	14.9 (11.1,18.7)
		Max	36.1 (30.1,42.0)	41.1 (34.7,47.5)	40.4 (34.1,46.7)	35.3 (29.4,41.2)	33.3 (27.6,39.0)	30.4 (25.0,35.8)
	Greece	Min	0.6 (0.2,1.1)	0.3 (0.0,0.6)	0.5 (0.1,0.8)	0.7 (0.2,1.2)	0.8 (0.3,1.3)	1.0 (0.4,1.5)
		Max	1.8 (0.7,3.0)	0.8 (0.0,1.6)	1.3 (0.3,2.3)	2.1 (0.8,3.3)	2.3 (1.0,3.6)	2.7 (1.3,4.1)
	Norway	Min	0.5 (0.2,0.7)	0.6 (0.3,0.9)	0.6 (0.3,0.9)	0.3 (0.1,0.5)	0.5 (0.2,0.7)	0.4 (0.1,0.6)
		Max	1.2 (0.6,1.7)	1.5 (0.8,2.1)	1.6 (0.9,2.2)	0.8 (0.4,1.3)	1.2 (0.7,1.8)	0.9 (0.4,1.3)
	Portugal	Min	0.6 (0.1,1.0)	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.6 (0.9,2.4)
		Max	1.0 (0.4,1.6)	0.5 (0.1,1.0)	0.4 (0.0,0.8)	0.5 (0.1,0.9)	0.5 (0.1,1.0)	3.6 (2.2,4.9)
	Overall	Min	5.6 (4.6,6.7)	6.3 (5.1,7.5)	6.0 (4.9,7.2)	5.6 (4.5,6.7)	5.2 (4.1,6.2)	5.2 (4.1,6.2)
		Max	10.9 (9.2,12.7)	12.1 (10.3,14.0)	11.2 (9.4,13.0)	11.0 (9.3,12.8)	10.0 (8.3,11.7)	10.2 (8.5,11.9)
Sarcoidosis	Belgium	Min	16.6 (13.9,19.3)	13.9 (11.4,16.3)	16.4 (13.8,19.1)	17.0 (14.3,19.8)	17.7 (14.9,20.5)	18.0 (15.2,20.8)
		Max	67.0 (57.6,76.4)	55.8 (47.2,64.3)	60.2 (51.7,68.6)	71.9 (62.0,81.9)	74.1 (64.0,84.2)	74.2 (64.2,84.3)
	Denmark	Min	60.4 (58.1,62.6)	63.8 (61.4,66.1)	65.1 (62.8,67.5)	57.5 (55.3,59.7)	55.3 (53.1,57.4)	60.3 (58.1,62.6)
		Max	83.3 (80.6,85.9)	88.0 (85.2,90.8)	89.8 (87.1,92.6)	79.3 (76.7,81.9)	76.3 (73.7,78.8)	83.2 (80.6,85.9)
	Finland	Min	24.9 (19.9,29.8)	27.2 (22.0,32.4)	22.4 (17.7,27.1)	22.3 (17.6,27.0)	24.8 (19.9,29.7)	27.6 (22.4,32.7)
		Max	50.8 (43.7,57.8)	55.6 (48.1,63.0)	45.8 (39.1,52.5)	45.6 (38.9,52.3)	50.6 (43.6,57.6)	56.2 (48.8,63.6)
		Min	5.0 (3.7,6.3)	4.8 (3.5,6.0)	4.2 (3.0,5.4)	4.9 (3.7,6.2)	5.5 (4.1,6.8)	5.7 (4.4,7.1)

Subtype	Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
	Greece	Max	14.3 (11.1,17.6)	13.5 (10.4,16.7)	12.0 (9.1,15.0)	14.1 (10.9,17.3)	15.6 (12.3,19.0)	16.4 (12.9,19.9)	
	Norway	Min	7.7 (6.7,8.7)	10.3 (9.1,11.5)	7.4 (6.4,8.5)	6.4 (5.5,7.4)	8.0 (7.0,9.0)	6.5 (5.6,7.4)	
		Max	19.6 (17.3,21.9)	25.9 (23.2,28.6)	19.0 (16.8,21.3)	16.7 (14.6,18.8)	21.2 (18.8,23.5)	15.9 (14.0,17.8)	
	Portugal	Min	10.8 (8.9,12.6)	NA	NA	NA	NA	10.7 (8.9,12.6)	
		Max	18.0 (15.4,20.7)	14.5 (12.2,16.8)	16.8 (14.4,19.3)	17.9 (15.3,20.4)	19.1 (16.5,21.8)	23.3 (19.9,26.7)	
	Overall	Min	21.2 (19.1,23.4)	22.0 (19.8,24.2)	21.3 (19.1,23.4)	20.2 (18.1,22.3)	21.0 (18.9,23.1)	21.8 (19.7,23.9)	
		Max	42.3 (38.8,45.7)	42.2 (38.7,45.7)	40.6 (37.2,44.0)	40.9 (37.5,44.3)	42.8 (39.4,46.3)	44.9 (41.3,48.4)	
	Other F-ILDs	Belgium	Min	4.1 (2.7,5.4)	2.4 (1.4,3.4)	2.2 (1.2,3.2)	3.4 (2.2,4.6)	5.2 (3.7,6.7)	7.1 (5.3,8.8)
			Max	16.3 (11.7,21.0)	9.6 (6.0,13.1)	8.1 (5.0,11.2)	14.4 (9.9,18.8)	21.7 (16.3,27.2)	29.2 (22.9,35.5)
		Denmark	Min	22.4 (21.0,23.8)	16.8 (15.6,18.0)	23.9 (22.5,25.4)	22.5 (21.2,23.9)	20.8 (19.5,22.1)	27.8 (26.3,29.4)
Max			55.0 (52.8,57.2)	45.4 (43.4,47.4)	58.4 (56.2,60.7)	54.8 (52.6,56.9)	51.2 (49.1,53.2)	64.9 (62.6,67.3)	
Finland		Min	1.1 (0.1,2.1)	0.8 (0.1,1.6)	1.3 (0.1,2.4)	1.1 (0.1,2.2)	1.0 (0.0,2.0)	1.4 (0.2,2.5)	
		Max	2.3 (0.8,3.7)	1.6 (0.3,2.8)	2.6 (1.0,4.2)	2.3 (0.8,3.8)	2.0 (0.6,3.4)	2.8 (1.1,4.4)	
Greece		Min	0.8 (0.3,1.3)	0.6 (0.1,1.0)	0.6 (0.2,1.0)	0.7 (0.2,1.2)	0.9 (0.4,1.5)	1.1 (0.5,1.7)	
		Max	2.2 (0.9,3.4)	1.6 (0.5,2.6)	1.7 (0.6,2.8)	2.0 (0.8,3.2)	2.6 (1.2,4.0)	3.1 (1.6,4.5)	
Norway		Min	7.8 (6.8,8.8)	4.8 (4.0,5.7)	6.7 (5.7,7.7)	8.9 (7.8,10.1)	9.1 (8.0,10.2)	9.1 (8.0,10.2)	
		Max	19.9 (17.6,22.2)	12.1 (10.3,13.9)	17.1 (15.0,19.3)	23.2 (20.8,25.7)	24.0 (21.5,26.5)	22.2 (20.0,24.5)	
Portugal		Min	1.6 (0.9,2.4)	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.7 (1.0,2.5)	
		Max	2.7 (1.7,3.8)	1.8 (1.0,2.6)	2.4 (1.5,3.4)	2.8 (1.8,3.9)	3.2 (2.1,4.2)	3.8 (2.4,5.1)	
Overall		Min	5.9 (4.7,7.0)	4.1 (3.2,5.1)	5.7 (4.6,6.8)	6.0 (4.9,7.1)	6.1 (4.9,7.2)	7.5 (6.2,8.7)	
		Max	16.4 (14.3,18.6)	12.0 (10.2,13.9)	15.1 (13.0,17.1)	16.6 (14.4,18.7)	17.4 (15.2,19.7)	21.0 (18.6,23.4)	
HP		Belgium	Min	1.1 (0.4,1.8)	0.3 (0.1,0.6)	0.8 (0.2,1.3)	1.0 (0.4,1.7)	1.3 (0.5,2.0)	2.1 (1.2,3.1)
			Max	4.4 (2.0,6.8)	1.0 (0.1,2.2)	2.8 (1.0,4.6)	4.3 (1.9,6.8)	5.3 (2.6,8.0)	8.8 (5.3,12.2)

Subtype	Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	Denmark	Min	3.4 (2.9,3.9)	3.4 (2.9,4.0)	3.4 (2.9,3.9)	3.2 (2.7,3.7)	3.6 (3.1,4.2)	3.3 (2.8,3.9)
		Max	4.7 (4.1,5.3)	4.7 (4.1,5.4)	4.7 (4.1,5.3)	4.4 (3.8,5.0)	5.0 (4.3,5.6)	4.6 (4.0,5.2)
	Finland	Min	3.3 (1.5,5.0)	3.0 (1.3,4.8)	2.6 (1.0,4.3)	3.4 (1.6,5.2)	3.6 (1.7,5.5)	3.6 (1.7,5.5)
		Max	6.7 (4.1,9.2)	6.2 (3.7,8.7)	5.4 (3.1,7.7)	6.9 (4.3,9.5)	7.4 (4.7,10.1)	7.3 (4.7,10.0)
	Greece	Min	2.5 (1.6,3.4)	1.4 (0.7,2.0)	1.6 (0.9,2.3)	2.3 (1.5,3.2)	3.3 (2.2,4.3)	4.0 (2.9,5.2)
		Max	7.2 (4.9,9.5)	3.9 (2.2,5.6)	4.6 (2.7,6.4)	6.7 (4.5,9.0)	9.4 (6.8,12.0)	11.5 (8.6,14.4)
	Norway	Min	1.9 (1.4,2.4)	2.6 (2.0,3.2)	1.8 (1.3,2.3)	1.4 (1.0,1.9)	1.7 (1.3,2.2)	1.9 (1.4,2.4)
		Max	4.8 (3.7,5.9)	6.5 (5.2,7.9)	4.6 (3.5,5.7)	3.8 (2.8,4.8)	4.6 (3.5,5.7)	4.6 (3.5,5.6)
	Portugal	Min	6.1 (4.8,7.5)	NA	NA	NA	NA	6.6 (5.2,8.1)
		Max	10.3 (8.3,12.3)	7.0 (5.4,8.6)	9.2 (7.3,11.0)	10.5 (8.5,12.4)	11.6 (9.5,13.6)	14.3 (11.7,17.0)
	Overall	Min	3.1 (2.3,4.0)	2.6 (1.9,3.4)	2.8 (2.0,3.5)	3.1 (2.3,4.0)	3.6 (2.7,4.5)	3.5 (2.7,4.4)
		Max	6.4 (5.1,7.7)	4.9 (3.7,6.1)	5.2 (4.0,6.4)	6.1 (4.8,7.4)	7.2 (5.8,8.6)	8.5 (7.0,10.1)

The table shows the widest variability observed. In Belgium, Greece and Norway and Portugal, this means the minimum adjusted and the maximum crude estimates (In Portugal, only one of the participating centres reported an extended population, and only for 2018, so minimum estimates could only be obtained for that year). In Denmark and Finland, there was only one participating centre which searched a national or regional database (respectively), so there were no reference and extended populations, but a single population (i.e. no maximum-minimum estimates, but a single estimate). In both countries, the single crude and adjusted estimates are shown.

Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; CTD-ILD, connective tissue disease-associated interstitial lung disease; F-ILDs, fibrosing interstitial lung diseases; HP, hypersensitivity pneumonitis; iNSIP, idiopathic non-specific interstitial pneumonia; IPF, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis; RA-ILD, rheumatoid arthritis-associated interstitial lung disease; SSc-ILD, systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease; uIIPs, unclassifiable idiopathic interstitial pneumonias.

sTable 6. Relative percentage (95%CI) of each non-IPF F-ILD subtype in each country, annually and for the whole study period

Country	Subtype	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Belgium	iNSIP	3.0 (2.0,3.9)	1.7 (0.9,2.4)	2.8 (1.8,3.7)	3.6 (2.5,4.7)	3.6 (2.6,4.6)	3.2 (2.3,4.2)
	uIIPs	5.7 (4.4,7.0)	5.8 (4.4,7.2)	6.3 (4.9,7.7)	6.0 (4.7,7.4)	6.0 (4.7,7.3)	5.0 (3.9,6.2)
	RA-ILD	47.0 (44.2,49.8)	48.2 (45.2,51.2)	47.6 (44.8,50.4)	51.0 (48.2,53.8)	45.5 (42.7,48.2)	46.0 (43.3,48.7)
	Mixed CTD-ILD	2.0 (1.2,2.8)	2.4 (1.5,3.3)	2.1 (1.3,2.9)	1.9 (1.1,2.7)	2.0 (1.2,2.7)	1.9 (1.2,2.7)
	Other CTD-ILD	11.5 (9.7,13.3)	13.2 (11.2,15.2)	11.8 (10.0,13.6)	11.2 (9.4,13.0)	11.4 (9.7,13.1)	10.8 (9.1,12.4)
	Exposure-related ILDs	4.7 (3.5,5.9)	6.3 (4.9,7.8)	5.1 (3.9,6.4)	5.1 (3.9,6.4)	3.8 (2.8,4.9)	3.7 (2.7,4.7)
	Sarcoidosis	15.8 (13.8,17.9)	15.1 (13.0,17.3)	16.3 (14.2,18.4)	16.8 (14.7,18.9)	16.2 (14.2,18.3)	15.6 (13.6,17.5)
	Other F-ILDs	3.9 (2.8,4.9)	2.6 (1.6,3.6)	2.2 (1.4,3.0)	3.4 (2.3,4.4)	4.8 (3.6,5.9)	6.1 (4.8,7.4)
	SSc-ILD	5.4 (4.1,6.6)	4.5 (3.2,5.7)	5.1 (3.8,6.3)	6.0 (4.7,7.4)	5.6 (4.3,6.8)	5.9 (4.6,7.1)
	HP	1.0 (0.5,1.6)	0.3 (0.0,0.6)	0.8 (0.3,1.3)	1.0 (0.4,1.6)	1.2 (0.6,1.8)	1.8 (1.1,2.6)
Denmark	iNSIP	1.6 (1.3,1.9)	1.4 (1.2,1.7)	1.6 (1.3,1.9)	1.8 (1.4,2.1)	1.5 (1.2,1.8)	1.4 (1.1,1.7)
	uIIPs	8.8 (8.1,9.5)	9.9 (9.1,10.6)	9.5 (8.9,10.2)	8.2 (7.5,8.8)	7.8 (7.1,8.5)	7.6 (7.0,8.3)
	RA-ILD	1.2 (1.0,1.5)	1.2 (0.9,1.4)	1.0 (0.8,1.2)	1.3 (1.0,1.6)	1.5 (1.2,1.8)	1.2 (0.9,1.4)
	Mixed CTD-ILD	2.3 (1.9,2.6)	2.3 (2.0,2.7)	2.2 (1.9,2.5)	2.2 (1.8,2.5)	2.3 (1.9,2.7)	2.0 (1.7,2.4)
	Other CTD-ILD	2.3 (1.9,2.6)	2.2 (1.9,2.6)	2.1 (1.7,2.4)	2.3 (1.9,2.6)	2.4 (2.0,2.8)	2.1 (1.7,2.4)
	Exposure-related ILDs	3.7 (3.2,4.1)	3.8 (3.3,4.2)	2.8 (2.4,3.2)	3.8 (3.4,4.3)	3.8 (3.3,4.3)	3.9 (3.5,4.4)
	Sarcoidosis	56.3 (55.1,57.5)	58.4 (57.2,59.5)	55.4 (54.2,56.5)	54.1 (52.9,55.3)	55.9 (54.7,57.1)	52.6 (51.5,53.8)

Country	Subtype	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	Other F-ILDs	20.9 (19.9,21.9)	15.4 (14.5,16.3)	20.3 (19.4,21.3)	21.2 (20.2,22.2)	21.0 (20.0,22.0)	24.3 (23.3,25.3)
	SSc-ILD	2.1 (1.8,2.4)	2.3 (2.0,2.7)	2.2 (1.8,2.5)	2.1 (1.8,2.5)	1.6 (1.3,2.0)	2.0 (1.7,2.3)
	HP	3.2 (2.8,3.6)	3.1 (2.7,3.5)	2.9 (2.5,3.3)	3.0 (2.6,3.4)	3.7 (3.2,4.1)	2.9 (2.5,3.3)
Finland	iNSIP	7.9 (5.6,10.1)	6.4 (4.3,8.4)	7.8 (5.4,10.1)	6.7 (4.6,8.9)	8.9 (6.5,11.3)	10.1 (7.6,12.5)
	uIIPs	3.4 (1.9,4.9)	1.8 (0.7,2.9)	2.6 (1.2,4.0)	3.3 (1.7,4.8)	3.8 (2.2,5.4)	5.5 (3.6,7.3)
	RA-ILD	4.5 (2.8,6.2)	2.9 (1.5,4.3)	4.6 (2.8,6.4)	5.0 (3.1,6.9)	4.9 (3.1,6.7)	5.5 (3.6,7.3)
	Mixed CTD-ILD	4.0 (2.3,5.6)	4.2 (2.5,5.9)	2.6 (1.2,4.0)	3.8 (2.2,5.5)	4.5 (2.8,6.3)	4.8 (3.0,6.5)
	Other CTD-ILD	9.0 (6.6,11.4)	8.7 (6.4,11.1)	9.0 (6.5,11.5)	10.7 (8.1,13.4)	8.5 (6.2,10.9)	8.6 (6.3,11.0)
	Exposure-related ILDs	25.8 (22.1,29.5)	29.0 (25.2,32.8)	31.3 (27.3,35.4)	26.4 (22.7,30.2)	23.8 (20.2,27.3)	21.2 (17.8,24.5)
	Sarcoidosis	36.3 (32.3,40.3)	39.2 (35.1,43.3)	35.5 (31.3,39.7)	34.1 (30.0,38.2)	36.1 (32.1,40.1)	39.2 (35.1,43.2)
	Other F-ILDs	1.6 (0.6,2.7)	1.1 (0.2,2.0)	2.0 (0.8,3.2)	1.7 (0.6,2.8)	1.5 (0.5,2.5)	1.9 (0.8,3.1)
	SSc-ILD	2.9 (1.5,4.3)	2.4 (1.1,3.6)	3.0 (1.5,4.5)	3.1 (1.6,4.5)	2.7 (1.4,4.1)	3.7 (2.1,5.3)
	HP	4.8 (3.0,6.5)	4.4 (2.7,6.1)	4.2 (2.4,6.0)	5.2 (3.3,7.1)	5.3 (3.4,7.1)	5.1 (3.3,6.9)
Greece	iNSIP	8.4 (5.0,11.7)	11.3 (6.7,15.8)	10.4 (6.2,14.6)	8.0 (4.7,11.4)	6.3 (3.6,9.1)	8.1 (5.2,11.0)
	uIIPs	7.9 (4.7,11.2)	4.3 (1.4,7.2)	5.8 (2.6,9.0)	7.8 (4.5,11.1)	9.6 (6.3,12.9)	10.4 (7.1,13.6)
	RA-ILD	14.6 (10.3,18.9)	15.6 (10.4,20.8)	15.7 (10.7,20.7)	15.8 (11.3,20.2)	14.6 (10.6,18.6)	13.6 (9.9,17.2)
	Mixed CTD-ILD	2.4 (0.6,4.3)	2.7 (0.4,5.0)	1.9 (0.0,3.7)	2.2 (0.4,3.9)	2.8 (1.0,4.7)	2.6 (0.9,4.3)
	Other CTD-ILD	7.3 (4.1,10.4)	11.3 (6.7,15.8)	7.6 (4.0,11.3)	7.9 (4.6,11.2)	6.5 (3.7,9.3)	5.4 (3.0,7.9)

Country	Subtype	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	Exposure-related ILDs	3.7 (1.4,6.0)	2.3 (0.2,4.5)	3.3 (0.9,5.8)	4.2 (1.7,6.7)	4.0 (1.8,6.2)	4.2 (2.1,6.4)
	Sarcoidosis	29.0 (23.5,34.5)	38.7 (31.7,45.7)	31.1 (24.7,37.4)	28.9 (23.3,34.4)	27.4 (22.3,32.4)	25.6 (20.9,30.3)
	Other F-ILDs	4.4 (1.9,6.9)	4.5 (1.5,7.5)	4.4 (1.6,7.3)	4.0 (1.6,6.4)	4.6 (2.2,7.0)	4.8 (2.5,7.0)
	SSc-ILD	7.7 (4.5,11.0)	9.5 (5.3,13.7)	8.0 (4.3,11.8)	7.4 (4.2,10.7)	7.8 (4.7,10.7)	7.3 (4.5,10.1)
	HP	14.6 (10.3,18.9)	11.1 (6.6,15.6)	11.8 (7.4,16.3)	13.8 (9.6,18.0)	16.4 (12.2,20.6)	18.0 (13.9,22.1)
Norway	iNSIP	12.9 (11.2,14.5)	13.3 (11.3,15.3)	12.6 (10.8,14.3)	12.9 (11.3,14.5)	13.3 (11.8,14.8)	13.5 (11.9,15.1)
	uIIPs	8.8 (7.4,10.2)	8.0 (6.4,9.6)	7.8 (6.4,9.2)	9.5 (8.1,10.9)	8.8 (7.5,10.0)	10.4 (9.0,11.8)
	RA-ILD	1.9 (1.2,2.6)	0.3 (0.0,0.6)	0.9 (0.4,1.5)	2.4 (1.7,3.2)	2.8 (2.0,3.5)	2.3 (1.6,3.1)
	Mixed CTD-ILD	6.6 (5.4,7.8)	3.7 (2.6,4.9)	4.1 (3.1,5.2)	8.0 (6.7,9.3)	7.4 (6.2,8.6)	8.7 (7.4,10.1)
	Other CTD-ILD	15.8 (14.0,17.6)	15.5 (13.4,17.7)	20.1 (18.0,22.3)	15.5 (13.8,17.2)	15.4 (13.8,17.0)	14.9 (13.2,16.6)
	Exposure-related ILDs	1.1 (0.6,1.6)	1.9 (1.1,2.7)	1.6 (0.9,2.3)	0.7 (0.3,1.1)	0.93 (0.5,1.4)	0.8 (0.4,1.2)
	Sarcoidosis	18.0 (16.1,19.9)	33.2 (30.4,36.0)	19.5 (17.4,21.6)	14.3 (12.6,16.0)	16.1 (14.4,17.7)	14.8 (13.2,16.5)
	Other F-ILDs	18.3 (16.4,20.2)	15.5 (13.4,17.7)	17.5 (15.5,19.5)	20.0 (18.0,21.8)	18.2 (16.5,19.9)	20.8 (18.9,22.7)
	SSc-ILD	12.3 (10.7,13.9)	15.7 (13.5,17.9)	11.1 (9.5,12.8)	13.5 (11.9,15.2)	13.8 (12.2,15.3)	9.5 (8.1,10.9)
	HP	4.4 (3.4,5.4)	8.4 (6.7,10.0)	4.7 (3.6,5.8)	3.2 (2.4,4.1)	3.5 (2.7,4.3)	4.3 (3.3,5.2)
Portugal	iNSIP	2.0 (0.7,3.3)	2.9 (1.1,4.7)	2.2 (0.8,3.5)	1.9 (0.7,3.2)	1.9 (0.7,3.1)	1.6 (0.5,2.6)
	uIIPs	7.8 (5.3,10.3)	5.6 (3.1,8.0)	7.1 (4.6,9.5)	8.1 (5.6,10.5)	8.6(6.2,11.04)	8.9 (6.4,11.4)
	RA-ILD	6.9 (4.6,9.3)	7.4 (4.6,10.2)	6.8 (4.4,9.2)	7.1 (4.8,9.4)	7.0 (4.8,9.2)	6.4 (4.3,8.6)

Country	Subtype	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	Mixed CTD-ILD	0.8 (0.0,1.6)	0.6 (0.0,1.4)	0.7 (0.0,1.5)	0.7 (0.0,1.5)	1.0 (0.1,1.8)	0.8 (0.0,1.5)
	Other CTD-ILD	6.2 (4.0,8.4)	3.6 (1.6,5.6)	5.4 (3.2,7.5)	5.9 (3.8,8.1)	6.9 (4.8,9.1)	8.1 (5.7,10.5)
	Exposure-related ILDs	2.1 (0.8,3.5)	1.7 (0.3,3.0)	1.1 (0.1,2.1)	1.1 (0.1,2.0)	1.0 (0.2,1.9)	5.5 (3.5,7.5)
	Sarcoidosis	40.1 (35.6,44.7)	45.8 (40.4,51.1)	42.4 (37.7,47.2)	40.1 (35.7,44.6)	38.6 (34.4,42.7)	36.1 (31.8,40.3)
	Other F-ILDs	6.1 (3.9,8.3)	5.7 (3.2,8.2)	6.1 (3.8,8.4)	6.4 (4.2,8.6)	6.4 (4.3,8.5)	5.8 (3.8,7.9)
	SSc-ILD	5.0 (3.0,7.1)	4.5 (2.3,6.8)	5.3 (3.1,7.4)	5.2 (3.2,7.2)	5.2 (3.3,7.1)	4.8 (2.9,6.7)
	HP	22.9 (19.0,26.8)	22.3 (17.8,26.8)	23.1 (19.0,27.1)	23.5 (19.6,27.3)	23.4 (19.7,27.0)	22.2 (18.5,25.8)

Percentages calculated based on the total number of prevalent cases of non-IPF F-ILD in each country.

Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; CTD-ILD, connective tissue disease-associated interstitial lung disease; F-ILDs, fibrosing interstitial lung diseases; HP, hypersensitivity pneumonitis; INSIP, idiopathic non-specific interstitial pneumonia; IPF, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis; RA-ILD, rheumatoid arthritis-associated interstitial lung disease; SSc-ILD, systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease; uIIPs, unclassifiable idiopathic interstitial pneumonias.

sTable 7. Incidence per 10⁵ person-years and prevalence per 10⁵ persons (95%CI) of non-F-ILDs in each country and overall, annually and for the whole study period

	Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Incidence	Belgium	Min	1.2 (0.9,1.6)	0.8 (0.4,1.6)	1.1 (0.6,2.1)	1.2 (0.7,2.2)	1.1 (0.6,2.1)	1.8 (1.1,2.9)
		Max	4.8 (3.8,6.1)	3.1 (1.6,5.9)	4.1 (2.4,7.0)	5.0 (3.0,8.5)	4.6 (2.7,8.0)	7.4 (4.8,11.3)
	Denmark	Min	1.0 (0.9,1.2)	1.0 (0.7,1.3)	1.0 (0.8,1.3)	1.1 (0.8,1.4)	1.0 (0.8,1.4)	1.1 (0.8,1.4)
		Max	1.4 (1.3,1.6)	1.4 (1.1,1.7)	1.4 (1.1,1.8)	1.5 (1.2,1.9)	1.4 (1.1,1.8)	1.5 (1.1,1.9)
	Finland	Min	3.8 (3.0,4.8)	3.7 (2.2,6.2)	2.5 (1.3,4.7)	4.4 (2.7,7.0)	3.6 (2.1,6.1)	4.8 (3.1,7.6)
		Max	7.8 (6.6,9.1)	7.5 (5.2,10.8)	5.1 (3.3,8.0)	9.0 (6.4,12.5)	7.4 (5.1,10.6)	9.9 (7.2,13.5)
	Greece	Min	0.8 (0.7,0.9)	0.5 (0.3,0.8)	0.6 (0.4,0.9)	0.8 (0.6,1.2)	1.0 (0.7,1.3)	1.0 (0.7,1.4)
		Max	1.8 (1.5,2.0)	1.4 (1.0,2.2)	1.3 (0.9,1.9)	1.7 (1.2,2.4)	2.1 (1.5,2.8)	2.1 (1.6,2.9)
	Norway	Min	1.3 (1.1,1.5)	NA	1.3 (0.9,1.8)	2.1 (1.6,2.7)	1.0 (0.7,1.4)	0.8 (0.5,1.2)
		Max	3.2 (2.8,3.7)	NA	3.2 (2.4,4.3)	5.4 (4.3,6.8)	2.6 (1.9,3.6)	2.0 (1.4,2.8)
	Portugal	Min	0.9 (0.7,1.1)	0.9 (0.6,1.4)	0.7 (0.5,1.2)	1.2 (0.8,1.7)	0.8 (0.5,1.2)	0.7 (0.5,1.1)
		Max	1.2 (1.0,1.4)	1.3 (0.9,1.8)	1.0 (0.7,1.5)	1.7 (1.2,2.3)	1.1 (0.8,1.6)	1.0 (0.7,1.4)
	Overall	Min	1.7 (1.1,2.2)	1.6 (1.1,2.1)	1.3 (0.8,1.7)	2.0 (1.4,2.5)	1.6 (1.1,2.1)	1.9 (1.3,2.5)
		Max	3.4 (2.5,4.2)	2.9 (2.1,3.7)	2.7 (1.9,3.4)	4.1 (3.1,5.0)	3.2 (2.4,4.0)	4.0 (3.1,4.8)
Prevalence	Belgium	Min	1.6 (0.7,2.4)	0.9 (0.2,1.5)	1.2 (0.5,1.9)	1.7 (0.8,2.6)	1.5 (0.7,2.3)	2.6 (1.5,3.6)
		Max	6.3 (3.4,9.2)	3.4 (1.3,5.5)	4.4 (2.1,6.7)	7.2 (4.0,10.3)	6.4 (3.5,9.4)	10.6 (6.8,14.3)
	Denmark	Min	2.6 (2.1,3.0)	2.7 (2.2,3.2)	2.5 (2.0,3.0)	2.5 (2.1,3.0)	2.5 (2.1,3.0)	2.6 (2.1,3.1)
		Max	3.6 (3.0,4.1)	3.7 (3.2,4.3)	3.4 (2.9,4.0)	3.5 (2.9,4.0)	3.5 (2.9,4.0)	3.6 (3.0,4.1)
	Finland	Min	7.9 (5.2,10.7)	6.5 (3.9,9.0)	5.9 (3.5,8.3)	8.5 (5.6,11.4)	8.6 (5.7,11.5)	10.2 (7.0,13.3)
		Max	16.2 (12.2,20.2)	13.2 (9.6,16.8)	12.1 (8.6,15.5)	17.4 (13.3,21.6)	17.5 (13.4,21.7)	20.8 (16.3,25.3)
		Min	1.1 (0.5,1.7)	0.7 (0.2,1.2)	0.7 (0.2,1.2)	0.9 (0.4,1.5)	1.4 (0.7,2.0)	1.9 (1.1,2.7)

Country	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Greece	Max	3.2 (1.6,4.7)	1.9 (0.8,3.1)	2.0 (0.8,3.2)	2.7 (1.3,4.1)	3.9 (2.2,5.6)	5.4 (3.4,7.4)
Norway	Min	4.9 (4.0,5.7)	4.2 (3.4,5.0)	4.7 (3.9,5.5)	6.8 (5.8,7.7)	4.8 (4.0,5.6)	3.9 (3.2,4.6)
	Max	12.4 (10.6,14.2)	10.5 (8.8,12.2)	12.1	17.5 (15.4,19.7)	12.6 (10.8,14.4)	9.6 (8.1,11.1)
Portugal	Min	1.6 (0.9,2.3)	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.4 (1.6,3.3)
	Max	2.7 (1.7,3.8)	1.6 (0.8,2.3)	2.1 (1.2,3.0)	2.5 (1.6,3.5)	2.9 (1.9,3.9)	5.3 (3.7,6.9)
Overall	Min	3.6 (2.7,4.5)	2.9 (2.1,3.7)	3.0 (2.2,3.8)	4.0 (3.1,4.9)	3.8 (2.9,4.7)	4.3 (3.4,5.3)
	Max	7.4 (6.0,8.9)	5.7 (4.5,7.0)	6.0 (4.7,7.3)	8.5 (6.9,10.0)	7.8 (6.3,9.3)	9.2 (7.6,10.8)

The table shows the widest variability observed. In Belgium, Greece and Norway, this means the minimum adjusted and the maximum crude estimates. The participating centre in Norway could not retrieve incident cases for 2014, and thus incidence could not be estimated for that year. In Portugal, only one of the participating centres reported an extended population, and only for 2018. Therefore, minimum prevalence estimates could only be obtained for that year. Plus, incident cases for 2018 could not be retrieved in this centre, so minimum adjusted incidence estimates could not be obtained for Portugal. Instead, the table shows the nearest estimates (maximum adjusted) as minimum values. In Denmark and Finland, there was only one participating centre which searched a national or regional database (respectively), so there were no reference and extended populations, but a single population (i.e. no maximum-minimum estimates, but a single estimate). In both countries, the single crude and adjusted estimates are shown.

Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; ILD, interstitial lung disease; F-ILDs, fibrosing interstitial lung diseases; IPF, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis; NA, not available; SSc-ILD, systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease.

sTable 8. Relative percentage (95% CI) of PF behaviour only, UIP-like pattern only, both or none among total non-IPF F-ILD cases and by subtype (all countries)

Subtype	PF only	UIP-like only	PF plus UIP-like	Non-PF-non-UIP-like
iNSIP	22.5 (10.8,34.1)	8.2 (0.5,15.8)	12.2 (3.1,21.4)	57.1 (43.3,71.0)
uIIPs	24.3 (14.5,34.1)	18.9 (10.0,27.8)	17.6 (8.9,26.2)	39.2 (28.1,50.3)
RA-ILD	11.1 (1.9,20.3)	33.3 (19.6,47.1)	26.7 (13.7,39.6)	28.9 (15.6,42.1)
Mixed CTD-ILD	0.0 (0.0,0.0)	10.0 (0.0,28.6)	20.0 (0.0, 44.8)	70.0 (41.6,98.4)
Other CTD-ILD	14.6 (4.6,24.6)	16.7 (6.1,27.2)	25.0 (12.8,37.3)	43.8 (29.7,57.8)
Exposure-related ILDs	18.2 (5.0,31.3)	9.1 (0.0,18.9)	18.2 (5.0,31.3)	54.6 (37.6,71.5)
Sarcoidosis	8.5 (4.3,12.8)	4.9 (1.6,8.2)	1.8 (0.0,3.9)	84.8 (79.3,90.3)
Other F-ILDs	25.0 (14.5,34.8)	16.0 (7.3,24.6)	8.7 (2.0,15.3)	50.7 (38.9,62.52)
SSc-ILD	5.3 (0.0,11.1)	38.6 (26.5,51.2)	31.6 (19.5,43.7)	24.6 (13.4,35.7)
HP	27.4 (19.6,35.3)	10.5 (5.1,15.9)	22.6 (15.2,30.0)	39.5 (30.9,48.1)
Total non-IPF F-ILDs	16.2 (13.1,19.2)	14.4 (11.5,17.3)	14.0 (11.1,16.9)	55.5 (51.3,59.6)

Only centres reporting complete data (i.e. all non-IPF F-ILD subtypes, and both pulmonary and rheumatology cases) were considered. Percentages were calculated based on the total number of cases for each subtype, and in the last row, based on the total number of non-IPF F-ILD cases.

Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; CTD-ILD, connective tissue disease-associated interstitial lung disease; F-ILDs, fibrosing interstitial lung diseases; HP, hypersensitivity pneumonitis; iNSIP, idiopathic non-specific interstitial pneumonia; IPF, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis; PF, progressive-fibrosing; RA-ILD, rheumatoid arthritis-associated interstitial lung disease; SSc-ILD, systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease; ; uIIPs, unclassifiable idiopathic interstitial pneumonias; UIP, usual interstitial pneumonia.

sTable 9. Exploratory p-values for pairwise comparisons of PF behaviour percentage between non-IPF F-ILD subtypes (all countries)

Subtype	iNSIP	uIIPs	RA-ILD	Mixed CTD-ILD	Other CTD-ILD	Exposure-related ILDs	Sarcoidosis	Other F-ILDs	SSc-ILD	HP
iNSIP	-	0.0072	0.9019	0.0015	0.0683	0.2583	1.0000	0.3749	0.0366	<0.0001
uIIPs	-	-	0.0087	<0.0001	0.3857	0.0002	0.0072	0.0619	0.5818	0.0032
RA-ILD	-	-	-	0.0010	0.0820	0.2054	0.9019	0.4357	0.0442	<0.0001
Mixed CTD-ILD	-	-	-	-	<0.0001	0.0263	0.0015	0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001
Other CTD-ILD	-	-	-	-	-	0.0037	0.0683	0.3287	0.7666	0.0002
Exposure-related ILDs	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.2583	0.0445	0.0016	<0.0001
Sarcoidosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.3749	0.0366	<0.0001
Other F-ILDs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.2069	<0.0001
SSc-ILD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0008
HP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

P-values below the significance level of $p < 0.05$ are shown in bold.

Abbreviations: CTD-ILD, connective tissue disease-associated interstitial lung disease; F-ILDs, fibrosing interstitial lung diseases; HP, hypersensitivity pneumonitis; iNSIP, idiopathic non-specific interstitial pneumonia; IPF, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis; PF, progressive-fibrosing; RA-ILD, rheumatoid arthritis-associated interstitial lung disease; SSc-ILD, systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease; uIIPs, unclassifiable idiopathic interstitial pneumonias.

sTable 10. Incidence per 10⁵ person-years (95%CI) of PF-ILDs in each country and overall, annually and for the whole study period. Primary analysis (Method 1) and sensitivity analyses (Methods 1b-3)

Country	Method	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
Belgium	1	Min	5.8 (5.5,6.1)	4.6 (4.1,5.2)	5.6 (5.0,6.4)	5.7 (5.1,6.4)	6.9 (6.2,7.7)	6.5 (5.8,7.3)	
		Max	13.7 (13.0,14.6)	12.0 (10.5,13.8)	12.8 (11.2,14.6)	13.7 (12.0,15.6)	15.9 (14.0,18.0)	14.5 (12.7,16.5)	
	1b	Min	5.8 (5.5,6.1)	4.6 (4.1,5.2)	5.6 (5.0,6.4)	5.7 (5.1,6.4)	6.9 (6.2,7.7)	6.5 (5.8,7.3)	
		Max	13.7 (13.0,14.6)	12.0 (10.5,13.8)	12.8 (11.2,14.6)	13.7 (12.0,15.6)	15.9 (14.0,18.0)	14.5 (12.7,16.5)	
	2	Min	5.6 (5.2,6.0)	4.4 (3.7,5.3)	5.4 (4.6,6.4)	5.4 (4.6,6.4)	6.6 (5.7,7.7)	6.2 (5.3,7.3)	
		Max	22.1 (20.3,24.1)	17.5 (14.3,21.4)	19.6 (16.1,23.9)	22.6 (18.6,27.4)	27.3 (22.8,32.7)	25.3 (21.0,30.6)	
	2b	Min	5.6 (5.3,6.1)	4.4 (3.9,5.2)	5.4 (4.8,6.4)	5.4 (4.8,6.4)	6.6 (5.9,7.7)	6.2 (5.5,7.3)	
		Max	13.1 (12.4,14.0)	11.5 (10.0,13.3)	12.2 (10.6,14.0)	13.1 (11.4,15.0)	15.2 (13.4,17.2)	13.8 (12.1,15.8)	
	3	Min	6.3 (5.7,6.9)	5.0 (4.0,6.3)	6.1 (4.9,7.6)	6.1 (5.0,7.6)	7.5 (6.2,9.1)	7.0 (5.7,8.6)	
		Max	25.1 (23.8,26.4)	19.8 (17.6,22.3)	22.2 (19.7,24.9)	25.5 (22.8,28.6)	30.9 (27.8,34.4)	28.7 (25.6,32.1)	
	Denmark	1	Min	8.5 (8.3,8.5)	8.5 (7.9,8.9)	9.1 (8.5,9.4)	8.8 (8.2,9.2)	8.0 (7.4,8.3)	8.3 (7.7,8.6)
			Max	14.4 (13.9,14.9)	14.3 (13.2,15.5)	15.3 (14.2,16.5)	15.0 (14.0,16.2)	13.4 (12.4,14.5)	14.0 (12.9,15.1)
		1b	Min	8.3 (8.0,8.5)	8.2 (7.6,8.9)	8.8 (8.2,9.4)	8.5 (7.9,9.2)	7.7 (7.1,8.3)	8.0 (7.5,8.6)
			Max	13.9 (13.5,14.4)	13.8 (12.8,15.0)	14.8 (13.7,16.0)	14.5 (13.5,15.7)	13.0 (12.0,14.1)	13.5 (12.5,14.6)
2		Min	11.5 (11.2,11.8)	11.5 (10.8,12.2)	12.2 (11.5,13.0)	11.9 (11.2,12.7)	10.7 (10.1,11.4)	11.2 (10.5,11.9)	
		Max	19.4 (18.8,20.0)	19.3 (18.0,20.6)	20.6 (19.3,22.0)	20.3 (19.0,21.6)	18.1 (16.9,19.4)	18.8 (17.6,20.1)	
2b		Min	10.4 (10.1,8.5)	10.4 (9.7,8.9)	11.1 (10.4,9.4)	10.8 (10.1,9.2)	9.7 (9.1,8.3)	10.1 (9.5,8.6)	
		Max	17.6 (17.0,18.1)	17.5 (16.3,18.7)	18.7 (17.4,20.0)	18.4 (17.1,19.6)	16.4 (15.3,17.6)	17.1 (15.9,18.3)	
3		Min	9.2 (8.8,9.6)	9.1 (8.3,10.0)	9.7 (8.9,10.7)	9.6 (8.7,10.5)	8.5 (7.7,9.4)	8.9 (8.1,9.8)	
		Max	12.6 (12.4,12.9)	12.5 (12.1,13.1)	13.4 (12.9,13.9)	13.2 (12.7,13.7)	11.8 (11.3,12.3)	12.3 (11.8,12.7)	
			Min	5.0 (4.5,4.5)	7.6 (6.3,7.5)	3.9 (3.0,4.1)	4.0 (3.1,4.2)	4.7 (3.7,4.9)	4.8 (3.8,5.0)

Country	Method	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
Finland	1	Max	10.1 (8.8,11.6)	15.4 (12.0,19.9)	7.9 (5.5,11.2)	8.1 (5.7,11.5)	9.5 (6.9,13.1)	9.7 (7.1,13.4)	
		Min	4.0 (3.6,4.5)	6.1 (5.0,7.5)	3.1 (2.4,4.1)	3.2 (2.5,4.2)	3.8 (3.0,4.9)	3.9 (3.0,5.0)	
	1b	Max	8.2 (7.0,9.6)	12.5 (9.4,16.6)	6.4 (4.3,9.5)	6.6 (4.5,9.7)	7.7 (5.4,11.0)	7.9 (5.6,11.2)	
		Min	6.7 (6.2,7.3)	10.2 (8.8,11.9)	5.2 (4.2,6.5)	5.4 (4.3,6.6)	6.3 (5.2,7.6)	6.4 (5.3,7.8)	
	2	Max	13.7 (12.1,15.4)	20.8 (16.7,25.9)	10.6 (7.8,14.4)	10.9 (8.1,14.8)	12.9 (9.8,16.9)	13.2 (10.0,17.3)	
		Min	4.0 (3.6,4.5)	6.1 (5.0,7.5)	3.1 (2.4,4.1)	3.2 (2.5,4.2)	3.8 (3.0,4.9)	3.9 (3.0,5.0)	
	2b	Max	8.2 (7.0,9.6)	12.5 (9.4,16.6)	6.4 (4.3,9.5)	6.6 (4.5,9.7)	7.7 (5.4,11.0)	7.9 (5.6,11.2)	
		Min	4.0 (3.2,5.0)	6.1 (4.1,9.2)	3.1 (1.8,5.5)	3.2 (1.9,5.6)	3.8 (2.3,6.3)	3.9 (2.3,6.4)	
	3	Max	8.2 (7.7,8.8)	12.5 (11.0,14.3)	6.4 (5.3,7.7)	6.6 (5.5,7.9)	7.7 (6.6,9.1)	7.9 (6.7,9.3)	
		Min	2.1 (1.9,1.9)	1.3 (1.0,1.5)	2.0 (1.6,2.0)	2.3 (1.9,2.2)	2.7 (2.3,2.6)	2.3 (2.0,2.3)	
	Greece	1	Max	5.2 (4.8,5.7)	5.1 (4.1,6.3)	4.5 (3.7,5.5)	4.8 (4.0,5.9)	6.6 (5.6,7.8)	5.0 (4.1,6.0)
			Min	1.8 (1.6,1.9)	1.2 (0.9,1.5)	1.6 (1.3,2.0)	1.8 (1.5,2.2)	2.2 (1.8,2.6)	1.9 (1.6,2.3)
1b		Max	4.3 (3.9,4.7)	4.8 (3.9,6.0)	3.7 (3.0,4.6)	3.9 (3.1,4.8)	5.3 (4.4,6.4)	4.0 (3.2,4.9)	
		Min	2.2 (2.1,2.4)	1.3 (1.1,1.7)	2.1 (1.7,2.5)	2.4 (2.0,2.8)	2.8 (2.4,3.3)	2.5 (2.1,2.9)	
2		Max	5.5 (5.0,6.0)	5.4 (4.3,6.6)	4.8 (3.9,5.8)	5.1 (4.2,6.2)	6.9 (5.9,8.2)	5.2 (4.3,6.3)	
		Min	1.8 (1.7,1.9)	1.2 (1.0,1.5)	1.7 (1.4,2.0)	1.9 (1.6,2.2)	2.2 (1.9,2.6)	2.0 (1.6,2.3)	
2b		Max	4.5 (4.1,4.9)	5.1 (4.1,6.3)	3.9 (3.1,4.8)	4.0 (3.2,4.9)	5.5 (4.5,6.6)	4.1 (3.3,5.1)	
		Min	1.5 (1.4,1.7)	0.9 (0.7,1.3)	1.4 (1.1,1.9)	1.7 (1.3,2.1)	2.0 (1.6,2.5)	1.7 (1.3,2.2)	
3		Max	3.8 (3.6,4.0)	3.7 (3.3,4.2)	3.3 (2.9,3.7)	3.5 (3.1,3.9)	4.8 (4.3,5.3)	3.6 (3.2,4.0)	
		Min	2.7 (2.5,2.9)	NA	2.7 (2.2,3.2)	3.6 (3.1,4.2)	2.4 (2.0,2.8)	2.1 (1.8,2.6)	
Norway		1	Max	6.8 (6.2,7.5)	NA	6.8 (5.6,8.3)	9.4 (7.9,11.1)	6.2 (5.1,7.7)	5.2 (4.2,6.4)
			Min	2.7 (2.5,2.9)	NA	2.7 (2.3,3.2)	3.6 (3.1,4.2)	2.4 (2.0,2.8)	2.1 (1.8,2.6)
	1b	Max	6.9 (6.3,7.6)	NA	6.9 (5.6,8.4)	9.5 (8.0,11.2)	6.3 (5.1,7.7)	5.2 (4.2,6.4)	
		Min							

Country	Method	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
	2	Min	3.2 (2.9,3.4)	NA	3.2 (2.7,3.7)	4.3 (3.7,4.9)	2.8 (2.4,3.3)	2.5 (2.1,3.0)	
		Max	8.1 (7.4,8.9)	NA	8.1 (6.7,9.7)	11.1 (9.5,13.0)	7.4 (6.1,8.9)	6.1 (5.0,7.4)	
	2b	Min	2.7 (2.5,2.9)	NA	2.7 (2.3,3.2)	3.6 (3.1,4.2)	2.4 (2.0,2.8)	2.1 (1.8,2.6)	
		Max	6.9 (6.3,7.6)	NA	6.9 (5.6,8.4)	9.5 (8.0,11.2)	6.3 (5.1,7.7)	5.2 (4.2,6.4)	
	3	Min	2.7 (2.4,3.0)	NA	2.7 (2.1,3.4)	3.6 (3.0,4.4)	2.4 (1.9,3.0)	2.1 (1.7,2.7)	
		Max	6.9 (6.5,7.3)	NA	6.9 (6.2,7.7)	9.5 (8.6,10.4)	6.3 (5.6,7.0)	5.2 (4.6,5.8)	
Portugal	1	Min	2.1 (1.9,2.9)	1.5 (1.2,2.5)	2.1 (1.7,3.2)	1.8 (1.5,2.8)	2.3 (1.9,3.4)	2.6 (2.2,3.6)	
		Max	2.9 (2.6,3.2)	2.1 (1.6,2.8)	2.9 (2.3,3.6)	2.5 (2.0,3.3)	3.2 (2.5,3.9)	3.5 (2.9,4.3)	
	1b	Min	2.6 (2.4,2.9)	2.1 (1.7,2.5)	2.7 (2.3,3.2)	2.3 (1.9,2.8)	2.9 (2.5,3.4)	3.1 (2.7,3.6)	
		Max	3.6 (3.3,4.0)	2.9 (2.3,3.6)	3.7 (3.0,4.6)	3.2 (2.6,4.0)	4.0 (3.3,4.9)	4.2 (3.6,5.0)	
	2	Min	1.9 (1.7,2.1)	1.4 (1.1,1.8)	1.9 (1.5,2.3)	1.7 (1.3,2.1)	2.1 (1.7,2.5)	2.3 (2.0,2.8)	
		Max	2.6 (2.4,2.9)	1.9 (1.4,2.6)	2.6 (2.0,3.3)	2.3 (1.8,3.0)	2.9 (2.3,3.6)	3.2 (2.6,3.9)	
	2b	Min	2.6 (2.4,2.9)	2.0 (1.7,2.5)	2.6 (2.2,3.2)	2.3 (1.9,2.8)	2.8 (2.4,3.4)	2.9 (2.5,3.6)	
		Max	3.5 (3.2,3.9)	2.8 (2.2,3.6)	3.6 (3.0,4.5)	3.1 (2.5,3.9)	3.9 (3.2,4.7)	4.0 (3.4,4.8)	
	3	Min	2.6 (2.3,2.9)	1.9 (1.4,2.5)	2.6 (2.0,3.3)	2.3 (1.8,3.0)	2.8 (2.2,3.6)	3.2 (2.6,3.9)	
		Max	3.6 (3.3,3.8)	2.6 (2.2,3.1)	3.5 (3.1,4.1)	3.1 (2.7,3.7)	3.9 (3.4,4.5)	4.4 (3.9,4.9)	
	Overall	1	Min	4.4 (3.7,5.0)	5.0 (4.2,5.5)	4.1 (3.5,4.7)	4.3 (3.6,4.8)	4.4 (3.7,5.0)	4.4 (3.7,4.9)
			Max	9.0 (7.8,10.3)	9.8 (8.5,11.2)	8.4 (7.3,9.6)	8.9 (7.8,10.2)	9.1 (7.9,10.5)	8.6 (7.5,9.9)
1b		Min	4.2 (3.5,5.0)	4.6 (3.9,5.5)	4.0 (3.3,4.7)	4.1 (3.4,4.8)	4.2 (3.5,5.0)	4.2 (3.5,4.9)	
		Max	8.5 (7.4,9.8)	9.2 (8.0,10.6)	8.0 (7.0,9.3)	8.6 (7.4,9.8)	8.7 (7.5,10.0)	8.2 (7.1,9.5)	
2		Min	5.3 (4.6,6.3)	6.2 (5.3,7.3)	4.9 (4.2,5.8)	5.1 (4.4,6.0)	5.2 (4.5,6.2)	5.2 (4.4,6.1)	
		Max	12.1 (10.6,13.8)	13.0 (11.4,14.8)	11.1 (9.7,12.6)	12.1 (10.6,13.7)	12.6 (11.0,14.4)	12.0 (10.5,13.7)	
		Min	4.5 (3.8,5.0)	5.0 (4.3,5.5)	4.3 (3.6,4.7)	4.4 (3.7,4.8)	4.5 (3.8,5.0)	4.4 (3.8,4.9)	

Country	Method	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	2b	Max	9.1 (8.0,10.4)	9.9 (8.7,11.3)	8.6 (7.5,9.8)	9.1 (8.0,10.4)	9.2 (8.0,10.5)	8.7 (7.6,9.9)
	3	Min	4.1 (3.3,4.9)	4.5 (3.6,5.3)	3.9 (3.1,4.6)	4.0 (3.2,4.8)	4.1 (3.3,4.9)	4.1 (3.3,4.9)
		Max	10.2 (8.8,11.6)	10.2 (8.8,11.7)	9.3 (7.9,10.7)	10.2 (8.8,11.7)	10.9 (9.4,12.4)	10.3 (8.9,11.7)

Within each method, the table shows the widest variability observed. This means the minimum adjusted and the maximum crude estimates. The participating centre in Norway could not retrieve incident cases for 2014, and thus incidence could not be estimated for that year. In Portugal, only one of the participating centres reported an extended population, and only for 2018. Plus, incident cases for 2018 could not be retrieved in this centre, so minimum adjusted incidence estimates could not be obtained for Portugal. Instead, the table shows the nearest estimates (maximum adjusted) as minimum values. Values highlighted in bold are the lowest and highest obtained in the sensitivity analyses (as a whole) per country and time period.

Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; NA, not available; PF-ILD, interstitial lung disease.

sTable 11. Prevalence per 10⁵ persons (95%CI) of PF-ILDs in each country and overall, annually and for the whole study period. Primary analysis (Method 1) and sensitivity analyses (Methods 1b-3)

Country	Method	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
Belgium	1	Min	16.7 (15.0,20.4)	13.5 (12.0,16.7)	15.7 (14.0,19.2)	17.2 (15.4,21.0)	18.2 (16.3,22.1)	19.5 (17.5,23.5)	
		Max	65.3 (59.3,71.3)	52.4 (47.2,57.6)	56.2 (51.0,61.5)	70.1 (63.7,76.5)	73.8 (67.2,80.5)	78.0 (71.2,84.8)	
	1b	Min	18.5 (16.7,20.4)	15.1 (13.5,16.7)	17.4 (15.7,19.2)	19.1 (17.2,21.0)	20.1 (18.1,22.1)	21.5 (19.4,23.5)	
		Max	64.6 (58.7,70.6)	52.4 (47.3,57.6)	56.4 (51.1,61.7)	69.0 (62.7,75.3)	72.3 (65.8,78.9)	76.4 (69.7,83.2)	
	2	Min	15.6 (13.9,17.3)	12.6 (11.1,14.1)	14.6 (13.0,16.3)	16.0 (14.3,17.8)	17.0 (15.2,18.8)	18.2 (16.3,20.1)	
		Max	60.9 (55.1,66.7)	48.9 (43.9,53.8)	52.4 (47.3,57.5)	65.4 (59.2,71.5)	68.8 (62.4,75.3)	72.7 (66.2,79.3)	
	2b	Min	17.7 (15.8,20.4)	14.4 (12.8,16.7)	16.6 (14.9,19.2)	18.2 (16.3,21.0)	19.1 (17.2,22.1)	20.4 (18.4,23.5)	
		Max	60.8 (55.0,66.6)	49.3 (44.3,54.3)	53.1 (48.0,58.2)	64.9 (58.7,71.0)	68.0 (61.6,74.3)	71.8 (65.3,78.3)	
	3	Min	17.7 (15.8,19.5)	14.3 (12.7,15.9)	16.6 (14.8,18.3)	18.2 (16.3,20.0)	19.2 (17.3,21.2)	20.6 (18.5,22.6)	
		Max	69.0 (62.8,75.1)	55.3 (50.0,60.6)	59.4 (53.9,64.8)	74.0 (67.5,80.5)	77.9 (71.1,84.8)	82.3 (75.3,89.3)	
	Denmark	1	Min	25.3 (NE)	25.2 (NE)	27.1 (NE)	24.5 (NE)	23.2 (NE)	26.5 (NE)
			Max	40.4 (38.6,42.3)	39.9 (38.1,41.8)	43.3 (41.4,45.2)	39.3 (37.4,41.1)	37.1 (35.4,38.9)	42.6 (40.7,44.5)
		1b	Min	25.3 (NE)	25.2 (NE)	27.1 (NE)	24.5 (NE)	23.1 (NE)	26.4 (NE)
			Max	40.4 (38.6,42.3)	39.9 (38.0,41.7)	43.3 (41.4,45.2)	39.2 (37.4,41.1)	37.1 (35.3,38.9)	42.6 (40.7,44.5)
2		Min	38.7 (NE)	38.6 (NE)	41.6 (NE)	37.6 (NE)	35.5 (NE)	40.5 (NE)	
		Max	62.0 (59.7,64.3)	61.1 (58.8,63.4)	66.4 (64.0,68.7)	60.2 (57.9,62.4)	56.9 (54.7,59.0)	65.3 (63.0,67.6)	
2b		Min	35.1 (NE)	35.0 (NE)	37.7 (NE)	34.0 (NE)	32.2 (NE)	36.8 (NE)	
		Max	56.2 (54.0,58.4)	55.4 (53.2,57.6)	60.1 (57.9,62.4)	54.5 (52.4,56.7)	51.6 (49.5,53.7)	59.3 (57.0,61.5)	
3		Min	29.2 (27.7,30.8)	28.8 (27.3,30.4)	31.3 (29.7,32.9)	28.4 (26.8,29.9)	26.8 (25.3,28.3)	30.8 (29.2,32.4)	
		Max	40.3 (38.5,42.2)	39.8 (37.9,41.6)	43.2 (41.3,45.1)	39.2 (37.3,41.0)	37.0 (35.2,38.8)	42.5 (40.6,44.4)	
			Min	18.4 (14.2,22.4)	19.5 (15.1,23.5)	17.8 (13.6,21.7)	17.4 (13.3,21.3)	17.9 (13.7,21.8)	19.5 (15.1,23.5)

Country	Method	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
Finland	1	Max	37.6 (31.5,43.7)	39.7 (33.4,46.0)	36.3 (30.4,42.3)	35.6 (29.7,41.5)	36.5 (30.6,42.5)	39.8 (33.5,46.0)	
		Min	18.1 (13.9,22.4)	19.2 (14.8,23.5)	17.5 (13.4,21.7)	17.2 (13.1,21.3)	17.6 (13.5,21.8)	19.2 (14.9,23.5)	
	1b	Max	37.0 (31.0,43.0)	39.1 (32.9,45.3)	35.8 (29.8,41.7)	35.1 (29.2,40.9)	36.0 (30.0,41.9)	39.1 (33.0,45.3)	
		Min	25.4 (20.4,30.4)	26.8 (21.6,32.0)	24.5 (19.6,29.5)	24.0 (19.2,28.9)	24.7 (19.8,29.6)	26.8 (21.7,31.9)	
	2	Max	51.8 (44.7,58.9)	54.7 (47.3,62.1)	50.1 (43.0,57.1)	49.0 (42.1,56.0)	50.3 (43.3,57.3)	54.8 (47.5,62.1)	
		Min	24.5 (19.6,22.4)	25.9 (20.8,23.5)	23.7 (18.8,21.7)	23.2 (18.4,21.3)	23.8 (19.0,21.8)	25.9 (20.9,23.5)	
	2b	Max	50.0 (43.0,57.0)	52.8 (45.5,60.0)	48.3 (41.4,55.2)	47.3 (40.5,54.1)	48.6 (41.7,55.4)	52.8 (45.7,60.0)	
		Min	15.3 (11.4,19.1)	16.1 (12.1,20.1)	14.8 (10.9,18.6)	14.5 (10.7,18.2)	14.8 (11.0,18.6)	16.1 (12.2,20.1)	
	3	Max	31.1 (25.6,36.7)	32.9 (27.2,38.6)	30.1 (24.7,35.6)	29.5 (24.1,34.9)	30.3 (24.8,35.7)	32.9 (27.3,38.6)	
		Min	5.4 (4.0,15.2)	4.3 (3.1,11.7)	4.2 (3.0,14.1)	5.3 (4.0,15.7)	6.2 (4.8,16.7)	6.9 (5.4,17.7)	
	Greece	1	Max	21.5 (17.5,25.4)	17.3 (13.7,20.8)	16.1 (12.7,19.6)	21.1 (17.2,25.0)	25.5 (21.2,29.9)	27.4 (22.9,31.9)
			Min	13.1 (11.1,15.2)	9.9 (8.2,11.7)	12.1 (10.1,14.1)	13.6 (11.5,15.7)	14.5 (12.4,16.7)	15.5 (13.2,17.7)
1b		Max	50.7 (44.6,56.7)	41.5 (36.1,47.0)	46.1 (40.3,51.9)	53.1 (46.8,59.3)	58.0 (51.5,64.5)	56.4 (49.9,62.8)	
		Min	6.1 (4.7,7.5)	4.8 (3.6,6.1)	4.7 (3.5,6.0)	6.0 (4.6,7.4)	7.0 (5.5,8.5)	7.9 (6.3,9.5)	
2		Max	24.4 (20.2,28.6)	19.6 (15.8,23.4)	18.3 (14.7,22.0)	24.0 (19.8,28.2)	29.0 (24.4,33.6)	31.1 (26.3,35.9)	
		Min	14.8 (12.6,15.2)	11.2 (9.3,11.7)	13.7 (11.6,14.1)	15.4 (13.2,15.7)	16.4 (14.1,16.7)	17.5 (15.1,17.7)	
2b		Max	57.3 (50.8,63.8)	47.1 (41.2,52.9)	52.2 (46.0,58.4)	60.1 (53.4,66.7)	65.6 (58.7,72.5)	63.7 (56.9,70.6)	
		Min	4.2 (3.0,5.4)	3.3 (2.3,4.4)	3.3 (2.3,4.3)	4.1 (3.0,5.3)	4.8 (3.6,6.1)	5.5 (4.1,6.8)	
3		Max	16.9 (13.4,20.4)	13.6 (10.4,16.7)	12.7 (9.6,15.7)	16.6 (13.1,20.1)	20.0 (16.2,23.9)	21.5 (17.5,25.5)	
		Min	13.1 (11.7,14.2)	11.0 (9.7,12.1)	11.7 (10.4,12.8)	13.8 (12.4,15.0)	15.3 (13.8,16.5)	13.4 (12.1,14.6)	
Norway		1	Max	33.3 (30.4,36.3)	27.5 (24.8,30.3)	29.9 (27.0,32.8)	35.7 (32.7,38.8)	40.3 (37.0,43.5)	32.7 (30.0,35.5)
			Min	12.9 (11.6,14.2)	10.8 (9.6,12.1)	11.6 (10.3,12.8)	13.6 (12.2,15.0)	15.1 (13.7,16.5)	13.3 (12.0,14.6)
	1b	Max	33.1 (30.2,36.1)	27.4 (24.6,30.1)	29.7 (26.9,32.6)	35.5 (32.4,38.6)	40.0 (36.8,43.3)	32.6 (29.8,35.3)	
		Min							

Country	Method	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
	2	Min	15.1 (13.7,16.6)	12.7 (11.3,14.0)	13.5 (12.1,14.9)	15.9 (14.4,17.4)	17.6 (16.1,19.2)	15.5 (14.1,16.9)	
		Max	38.5 (35.4,41.7)	31.9 (28.9,34.8)	34.6 (31.5,37.7)	41.3 (38.0,44.7)	46.6 (43.1,50.1)	37.9 (34.9,40.9)	
	2b	Min	13.6 (12.3,14.2)	11.4 (10.1,12.1)	12.2 (10.8,12.8)	14.3 (12.9,15.0)	15.8 (14.3,16.5)	14.2 (12.8,14.6)	
		Max	36.5 (33.5,39.6)	30.2 (27.3,33.1)	32.8 (29.8,35.8)	39.1 (35.9,42.4)	44.1 (40.7,47.5)	36.1 (33.2,39.0)	
	3	Min	12.8 (11.5,14.2)	10.8 (9.5,12.0)	11.5 (10.2,12.8)	13.5 (12.1,14.9)	15.0 (13.6,16.4)	13.2 (11.9,14.5)	
		Max	32.7 (29.8,35.6)	27.0 (24.3,29.8)	29.4 (26.5,32.2)	35.1 (32.0,38.2)	39.6 (36.3,42.8)	32.1 (29.4,34.9)	
Portugal	1	Min	6.7 (5.3,10.3)	NA	NA	NA	NA	9.1 (7.4,10.3)	
		Max	11.3 (9.2,13.4)	7.0 (5.4,8.6)	9.4 (7.5,11.2)	10.5 (8.6,12.5)	12.1 (10.0,14.2)	19.7 (16.6,22.8)	
	1b	Min	8.6 (7.0,10.3)	NA	NA	NA	NA	8.6 (7.0,10.3)	
		Max	33.3 (29.7,36.9)	10.6 (8.6,12.6)	13.9 (11.6,16.1)	14.7 (12.4,17.0)	16.5 (14.0,18.9)	34.5 (30.3,38.6)	
	2	Min	6.2 (4.8,7.6)	NA	NA	NA	NA	8.3 (6.7,10.0)	
		Max	10.4 (8.4,12.3)	6.4 (4.9,8.0)	8.6 (6.8,10.3)	9.6 (7.8,11.5)	11.1 (9.1,13.1)	18.1 (15.1,21.1)	
	2b	Min	7.9 (6.3,10.3)	NA	NA	NA	NA	7.9 (6.3,10.3)	
		Max	30.9 (27.4,34.3)	9.9 (8.0,11.8)	13.0 (10.8,15.2)	13.8 (11.6,16.1)	15.5 (13.1,17.9)	32.0 (28.0,36.0)	
	3	Min	8.4 (6.8,10.0)	NA	NA	NA	NA	11.3 (9.4,13.2)	
		Max	14.1 (11.7,16.4)	8.7 (7.0,10.5)	11.7 (9.6,13.7)	13.1 (10.9,15.3)	15.1 (12.7,17.4)	24.5 (21.0,28.0)	
	Overall	1	Min	14.5 (12.5,18.2)	13.4 (11.5,16.8)	14.0 (12.1,17.9)	14.3 (12.4,18.3)	14.9 (12.9,18.9)	15.8 (13.8,19.3)
			Max	35.1 (32.0,38.2)	30.6 (27.8,33.5)	31.9 (29.0,34.8)	35.4 (32.3,38.5)	37.6 (34.4,40.7)	40.0 (36.8,43.3)
1b		Min	16.1 (14.1,18.2)	14.8 (12.8,16.8)	15.8 (13.8,17.9)	16.2 (14.1,18.3)	16.8 (14.7,18.9)	17.2 (15.0,19.3)	
		Max	40.8 (37.5,44.1)	35.2 (32.1,38.2)	37.5 (34.4,40.7)	41.1 (37.8,44.4)	43.3 (39.9,46.7)	46.9 (43.4,50.5)	
2		Min	18.3 (16.1,20.5)	17.3 (15.1,19.5)	17.9 (15.7,20.1)	18.0 (15.8,20.2)	18.5 (16.3,20.8)	19.8 (17.5,22.2)	
		Max	41.5 (38.2,44.8)	37.1 (33.9,40.3)	38.4 (35.2,41.6)	41.6 (38.3,44.9)	43.8 (40.4,47.2)	46.6 (43.1,50.2)	
		Min	19.2 (17.0,18.2)	17.9 (15.7,16.8)	18.9 (16.7,17.9)	19.2 (16.9,18.3)	19.7 (17.4,18.9)	20.5 (18.1,19.3)	

Country	Method	Estimate	Study period	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	2b	Max	46.4 (42.9,50.0)	40.8 (37.5,44.1)	43.3 (39.9,46.7)	46.6 (43.1,50.2)	48.9 (45.3,52.5)	52.6 (48.9,56.4)
	3	Min	14.0 (12.4,15.6)	12.8 (11.2,14.3)	13.5 (11.9,15.1)	13.9 (12.2,15.5)	14.5 (12.8,16.1)	15.3 (13.6,17.0)
		Max	34.2 (31.2,37.3)	29.6 (26.7,32.4)	31.1 (28.2,33.9)	34.6 (31.5,37.6)	36.6 (33.5,39.8)	39.3 (36.1,42.6)

Within each method, the table shows the widest variability observed (minimum adjusted, maximum crude). In Portugal, only one of the participating centres reported an extended population, and only for 2018. Therefore, minimum prevalence estimates could only be obtained for that year. Values highlighted in bold are the lowest and highest obtained in the sensitivity analyses (as a whole) per country and time period.

Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; NA, not available; NE, not estimable; PF-ILDs, progressive-fibrosing interstitial lung diseases.

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