

IQVIA Longitudinal Patient Data - Belgium

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Data source

Human

Primary care medical records

Administrative details

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Data source ID

1111116

Data source acronym

LPD BE

Data holder

[IQVIA](#)

Data source type

Primary care medical records

Main financial support

Funding by own institution

Funding from industry or contract research

Care setting

Primary care – GP, community pharmacist level

Data source qualification

If the data source has successfully undergone a formal qualification process (e.g., from the EMA, ISO or other certifications), this should be described.

No

Data source website

<https://www.iqvia.com/solutions/real-world-evidence/real-world-data-and-insights>

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Data source regions and languages

Data source countries

Belgium

Data source languages

French

Data source establishment

Data source established

15/06/2005

Data source time span

First collection: 01/01/2012

The date when data started to be collected or extracted.

Publications

Data source publications

[DARWIN EU® - Drug utilisation of valproate-containing medicinal products in women of childbearing potential](#)

Studies

List of studies that have been conducted using the data source

[Drug Utilisation Study of conjugated oestrogens/bazedoxifene \(CE/BZA\) in the European Union \(EU\)](#)

[Hydroxychloroquine safety and potential efficacy as an antiviral prophylaxis in light of potential wide-spread use in COVID-19: a multinational, large-scale network cohort and self-controlled case series study](#)

[Study of exposure and use patterns of alternatives to ranitidine-containing medicines in patients treated with ranitidine \(Ranitidine\)](#)

[DARWIN EU® Prevalence of rare blood cancers in Europe](#)

DARWIN EU® Drug utilisation of valproate-containing medicinal products in women of childbearing potential

DARWIN EU® Use of take-home naloxone for opioid overdose treatment

DARWIN EU® Drug utilization study of prescription opioids

DARWIN EU® Drug utilisation study of medicines with prokinetic properties in children and adults diagnosed with gastroparesis

DARWIN EU® Monitoring prescription of medicines for public health emergencies at risk of shortages

DARWIN EU® - Frailty and polypharmacy among adults with selected cancers at the time of diagnosis

DARWIN EU® - Drug utilisation study on medicinal use of Pelargonii radix

DARWIN EU® - Trends in utilisation of Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) Medications

DARWIN EU® - Drug Utilisation Study on GLP-1 Receptor Agonists

DARWIN EU® - Antipsychotic prescribing in the general population in Europe: a descriptive analysis of trends and patient characteristics

DARWIN EU® - Antipsychotic prescribing in people with dementia in Europe: a descriptive analysis of trends and patient characteristics

DARWIN EU® - Incidence rates of venous thromboembolic events in patients with selected cancers

DARWIN EU® - Impact of risk minimisation measures related to the risk of meningioma in women using nomegestrol and chlormadinone

DARWIN EU® - Monitoring prescription of medicines for public health emergencies at risk of shortages

DARWIN EU® - RR1 Drug Utilisation Study of prescription opioids

DARWIN EU® - Time to onset of thromboembolic events in adults with selected types of cancer

DARWIN EU® - Determinants for use of GLP1 receptor agonists – a drug utilisation study

DARWIN EU® - Population demographics and disease frequency across the DARWIN EU® network

Data elements collected

The data source contains the following information

Disease information

Does the data source collect information with a focus on a specific disease? This might be a patient registry or other similar initiatives.

No

Rare diseases

Are rare diseases captured? In the European Union a rare disease is one that affects no more than 5 people in 10,000.

No

Pregnancy and/or neonates

Does the data source collect information on pregnant women and/or neonatal subpopulation (under 28 days of age)?

No

Hospital admission and/or discharge

No

ICU admission

Is information on intensive care unit admission available?

No

Cause of death

Captured

Cause of death vocabulary

Not coded (Free text)

Prescriptions of medicines

Captured

Prescriptions vocabulary

other

RxNorm

Prescriptions vocabulary, other

CVX

Dispensing of medicines

Captured

Advanced therapy medicinal products (ATMP)

Is information on advanced therapy medicinal products included? A medicinal product for human use that is either a gene therapy medicinal product, a somatic cell therapy product or a tissue engineered products as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1394/2007 [Reg (EC) No 1394/2007 Art 1(1)].

No

Contraception

Is information on the use of any type of contraception (oral, injectable, devices etc.) available?

Yes

Indication for use

Does the data source capture information on the therapeutic indication for the use of medicinal products?

Captured

Indication vocabulary

Other

Medical devices

Is information on medicinal devices (e.g., pens, syringes, inhalers) available?

No

Administration of vaccines

No

Procedures

Does the data source capture information on procedures (e.g., diagnostic tests, therapeutic, surgical interventions)?

Captured

Procedures vocabulary

SNOMED CT

Healthcare provider

Is information on the person providing healthcare (e.g., physician, pharmacist, specialist) available?

The healthcare provider refers to individual health professionals or a health facility organisation licensed to provide health care diagnosis and treatment services including medication, surgery and medical devices.

Yes

Clinical measurements

Is information on clinical measurements (e.g., BMI, blood pressure, height) available?

Yes

Genetic data

Are data related to genotyping, genome sequencing available?

Not Captured

Biomarker data

Does the data source capture biomarker information? The term “biomarker” refers to a broad subcategory of medical signs (objective indications of medical state observed from outside the patient), which can be measured accurately and reproducibly. For example, haematological assays, infectious disease markers or metabolomic biomarkers.

Captured

Biomarker data vocabulary

Other

Biomarker vocabulary, other

LOINC, SNOMED

Patient-reported outcomes

Is information on patient-reported outcomes (e.g., quality of life) available?

No

Patient-generated data

Is patient-generated information (e.g., from wearable devices) available?

Yes

Units of healthcare utilisation

Are units of healthcare utilisation (e.g., number of visits to GP per year, number of hospital days) available or can they be derived? Units of healthcare utilisation refer to the quantification of the use of services for the purpose of preventing or curing health problems.

Yes

Unique identifier for persons

Are patients uniquely identified in the data source?

Yes

Diagnostic codes

Captured

Diagnosis / medical event vocabulary

SNOMED CT

Medicinal product information

Captured

Medicinal product information collected

Active ingredient(s)

Brand name

Package size

Route of administration

Strength

Medicinal product vocabulary

Other

RxNorm

If 'other,' what vocabulary is used?

CVX

Quality of life measurements

Captured

Quality of life measurements vocabulary

Not coded (Free text)

Lifestyle factors

Captured

Lifestyle factors

Alcohol use

Tobacco use

Sociodemographic information

Captured

Sociodemographic information collected

Gender

Pharmaceutical copayment

Quantitative descriptors

Population Qualitative Data

Population age groups

Paediatric Population (< 18 years)
Preterm newborn infants (0 - 27 days)
Term newborn infants (0 - 27 days)
Infants and toddlers (28 days - 23 months)
Children (2 to < 12 years)
Adolescents (12 to < 18 years)
Adults (18 to < 46 years)
Adults (46 to < 65 years)
Elderly (\geq 65 years)
Adults (65 to < 75 years)
Adults (75 to < 85 years)
Adults (85 years and over)

Estimated percentage of the population covered by the data source in the catchment area

300 GPs
Total DB: ~17M+ prescription orders written
Active patients: ~3% of the national population

Description of the population covered by the data source in the catchment area whose data are not collected (e.g., people who are registered only for private care)

Generell Population

Family linkage

Family linkage available in the data source permanently or can be created on an ad hoc basis

Ad hoc

Population

Population size

1046774

Active population size

269302

Population by age group

Age group	Population size	Active population size
Paediatric Population (< 18 years)	164326	35566
Infants and toddlers (28 days - 23 months)	12908	2181
Children (2 to < 12 years)	90937	18867
Adolescents (12 to < 18 years)	60481	14518
Adults (18 to < 46 years)	382942	86207
Adults (46 to < 65 years)	252306	71335
Elderly (\geq 65 years)	247200	76194
Adults (65 to < 75 years)	111224	36705
Adults (75 to < 85 years)	80020	26083
Adults (85 years and over)	55956	13406

Median observation time

Median time (years) between first and last available records for unique individuals captured in the data source

2.29

Median time (years) between first and last available records for unique active individuals (alive and currently registered) capt

6.91

Data flows and management

Access and validation

Governance details

Documents or webpages that describe the overall governance of the data source and processes and procedures for data capture and management, data quality check and validation results (governing data access or utilisation for research purposes).

<https://www.pharmacoepi.org/resources/policies/guidelines-08027/>

Biospecimen access

Are biospecimens available in the data source (e.g., tissue samples)?

No

Access to subject details

Can individual patients/practitioners/practices included in the data source be contacted?

No

Description of data collection

Anonymized patient records collected from patient management software used by GPs to document patients' clinical records

Event triggering registration

Event triggering registration of a person in the data source

Practice registration

Event triggering de-registration of a person in the data source

Loss to follow up

Other

Practice deregistration

Event triggering de-registration of a person in the data source, other

Emigration

Event triggering creation of a record in the data source

Physician encounter

Data source linkage

Linkage

Is the data source described created by the linkage of other data sources (prelinked data source) and/or can the data source be linked to other data source on an ad-hoc basis?

Yes

Linked data sources

Pre linked

Is the data source described created by the linkage of other data sources?

No

Data source, other

Ad hoc data collected prospectively

Data management specifications that apply for the data source

Data source refresh

Quarterly

Informed consent for use of data for research

Not Required

Possibility of data validation

Can validity of the data in the data source be verified (e.g., access to original medical charts)?

No

Data source preservation

Are records preserved in the data source indefinitely?

Yes

Approval for publication

Is an approval needed for publishing the results of a study using the data source?

No

Data source last refresh

30/09/2025

Common Data Model (CDM) mapping

CDM mapping

Has the data source been converted (ETL-ed) to a common data model?

Yes

CDM Mappings

CDM name

OMOP

CDM website

<https://www.ohdsi.org/Data-standardization/>

Data source ETL CDM version

3.5.1

Data source ETL frequency

3,00 months

Data source ETL status

Completed