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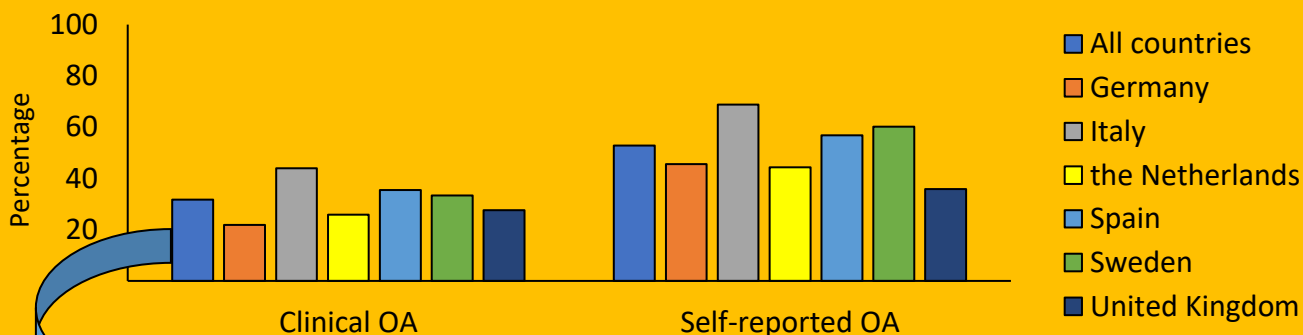
PREVALENCE RATES OF OSTEOARTHRITIS IN SIX EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

Assessment of osteoarthritis

In the EPOSA-project, the assessment of clinical osteoarthritis (OA) was performed according to a uniform protocol in all six countries. Clinical OA was assessed in the knees, hips and hands by using the clinical classification criteria of the American College of Rheumatology.

Self-reported knee, hip or hand OA was defined as present when the participant reported having OA in at least one site, knee, hip or hand (fingers, or hand/wrist).

In the United Kingdom (UK), knee and hip radiographs were collected. Grading of radiographs was based on scoring system according to Kellgren-Lawrence.



889 (31.7%) out of 2942 EPOSA-participants have clinical OA in the knee, hip and/or hand.

Of the 72 UK participants with self-reported knee OA, 52 (72.2%) also had radiographic knee OA. Of the 59 participants with clinical knee OA, 39 (66.1%) also had radiographic knee OA.

