Patterns of physical activity progression in patients with COPD

STROBE Statement—Checklist of items that should be included in reports of *cohort studies*

	Item No	Recommendation	Page No
Title and abstract		(a) Indicate the study's design with a commonly	2 (abstract page) of main text
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		(b) Provide in the abstract an informative and	2 (abstract page) of main text
		balanced summary of what was done and what	2 (mesuraet page) of main tent
		was found	
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Introduction			4 of main text
Background/rationale	2	Explain the scientific background and rationale	4 of main text
		for the investigation being reported	4-5 of main text
Objectives	3	State specific objectives, including any	4-5 of main text
		prespecified hypotheses	
Methods			
Study design	4	Present key elements of study design early in the	5 of main text
		paper	
Setting	5	Describe the setting, locations, and relevant dates,	5 of main text
		including periods of recruitment, exposure,	
		follow-up, and data collection	
Participants	6	(a) Give the eligibility criteria, and the sources	5 of main text
		and methods of selection of participants. Describe	
		methods of follow-up	
		(b) For matched studies, give matching criteria	Not applicable
		and number of exposed and unexposed	
Variables	7	Clearly define all outcomes, exposures,	6-7 of main text
		predictors, potential confounders, and effect	
		modifiers. Give diagnostic criteria, if applicable	
Data sources/	8*	For each variable of interest, give sources of data	6-7 of main text
measurement		and details of methods of assessment	
		(measurement). Describe comparability of	
		assessment methods if there is more than one	
		group	
Bias	9	Describe any efforts to address potential sources	7-8 of main text, 2-3 of
		of bias	supplementary material
Study size	10	Explain how the study size was arrived at	3 of supplementary material
Quantitative variables	11	Explain how quantitative variables were handled	7-8 of main text, 2-3 of
		in the analyses. If applicable, describe which	supplementary material
		groupings were chosen and why	
Statistical methods	12	(a) Describe all statistical methods, including	7-8 of main text, 2-3 of
		those used to control for confounding	supplementary material
		(b) Describe any methods used to examine	7-8 of main text, 2-3 of
		subgroups and interactions	supplementary material
		(c) Explain how missing data were addressed	7, 22-23 (Table 1) and 24-25 (Table 2) of main text; 5-7 (Tables S1 and S2) of
		,	supplementary material

		(d) If applicable, explain how loss to follow-up was addressed	7 of main text; 2, 4 (Figure S1) of supplementary material
		(\underline{e}) Describe any sensitivity analyses	8 of main text, 2-3 of supplementary material
Results			
Participants	13*	(a) Report numbers of individuals at each stage of study—eg numbers potentially eligible, examined for eligibility, confirmed eligible, included in the	8 of main text; 4 (Figure S1) of supplementary material
		study, completing follow-up, and analysed (b) Give reasons for non-participation at each stage	4 (Figure S1) of supplementary material
		(c) Consider use of a flow diagram	4 (Figure S1) of supplementary material
Descriptive data	14*	(a) Give characteristics of study participants (eg demographic, clinical, social) and information on exposures and potential confounders	8-10 and 22-23 (Table 1) of main text
		(b) Indicate number of participants with missing data for each variable of interest	22-25 (Tables 1 and 2) of main text, 5-7 (Tables S1 and S2) of supplementary materia
		(c) Summarise follow-up time (eg, average and total amount)	8-10 of main text (Figures 1 and 2), 24-25 of main text (Table 2), 7 (Table S2 of supplementary material)
Outcome data	15*	Report numbers of outcome events or summary measures over time	8-10 and 24-26 of main text, (Tables 2 and 3)

Main results 16		(a) Give unadjusted estimates and, if applicable, confounder-adjusted estimates and their precision (eg, 95% confidence interval). Make clear which confounders were adjusted for and	8-10 and 24-26 of main text (Tables 2 and 3)	
		why they were included (b) Report category boundaries when continuous variables were categorized	8-10 and 24-26 of main text (Tables 2 and 3)	
		(c) If relevant, consider translating estimates of relative risk into absolute risk for a meaningful time period	Not applicable	
Other analyses	17	Report other analyses done—eg analyses of subgroups and interactions, and sensitivity analyses	9-10 of main text, 8-10 (Tables S3-S5) of supplementary material	
Discussion				
Key results	18	Summarise key results with reference to study objectives	10 of main text	
Limitations 19		Discuss limitations of the study, taking into account sources of	14 of main text	
		potential bias or imprecision. Discuss both direction and magnitude of any potential bias		
Interpretation	20	Give a cautious overall interpretation of results considering objectives, limitations, multiplicity of analyses, results from similar studies, and other relevant evidence	10-15 of main text	
Generalisability	21	Discuss the generalisability (external validity) of the study results	13 of main text	
Other informati	on			
	22	Give the source of funding and the role of the funders for the	6 of authorship page	
		present study and, if applicable, for the original study on which the present article is based		