Respiratory-related hospitalization and mechanical ventilation in patients with idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis: data from the IPF-PRO Registry



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INTRODUCTION

Hospitalizations are common among patients with idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF) and are associated with high mortality. 1-3

To assess the frequency and impact of respiratory-related hospitalization and mechanical ventilation in patients with IPF.

METHODS

The IPF-PRO Registry⁴

- The IPF-PRO Registry enrolled patients with IPF that was diagnosed or confirmed at the enrolling center in the previous 6 months at 46 US sites between June 2014 and October 2018.
- At enrollment, retrospective data were collected from patients' medical records. Patients were then followed prospectively, with follow-up data collected approximately every 6 months until death, lung transplant, or withdrawal from the registry.
- Hospitalizations were categorized by the investigator as having or not having a respiratory cause.

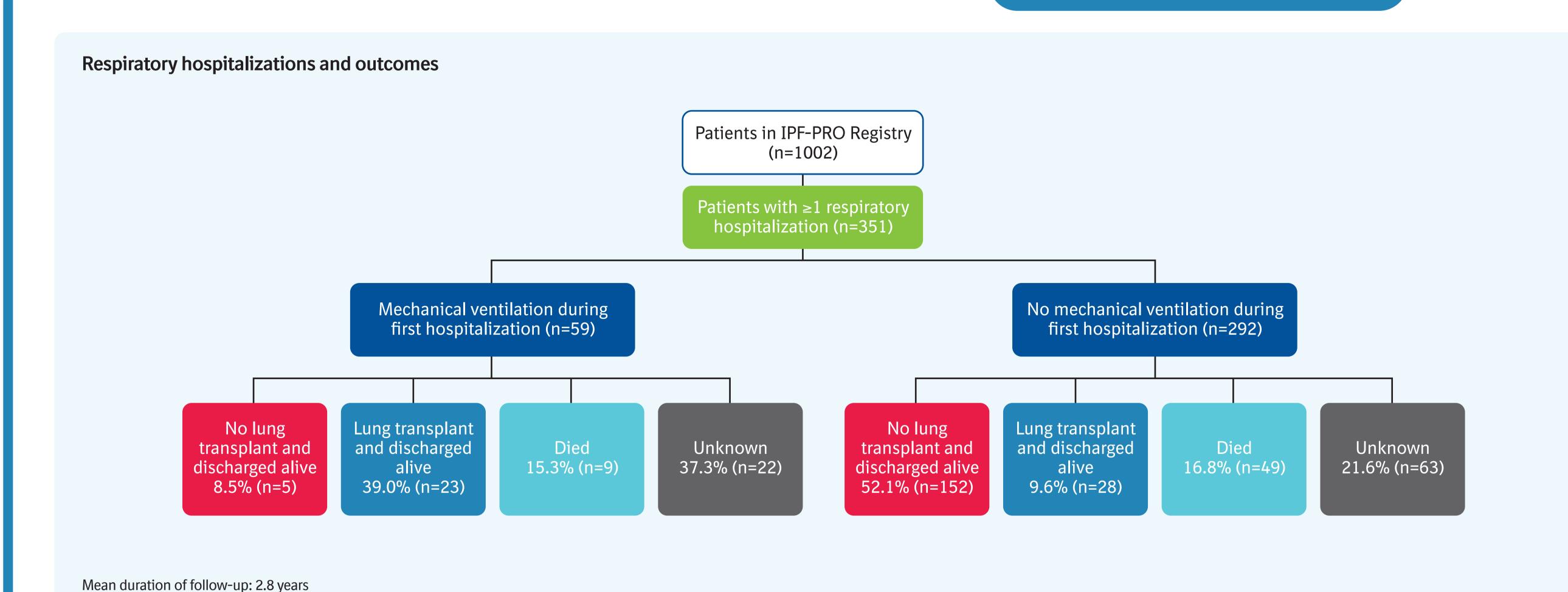
Analyses

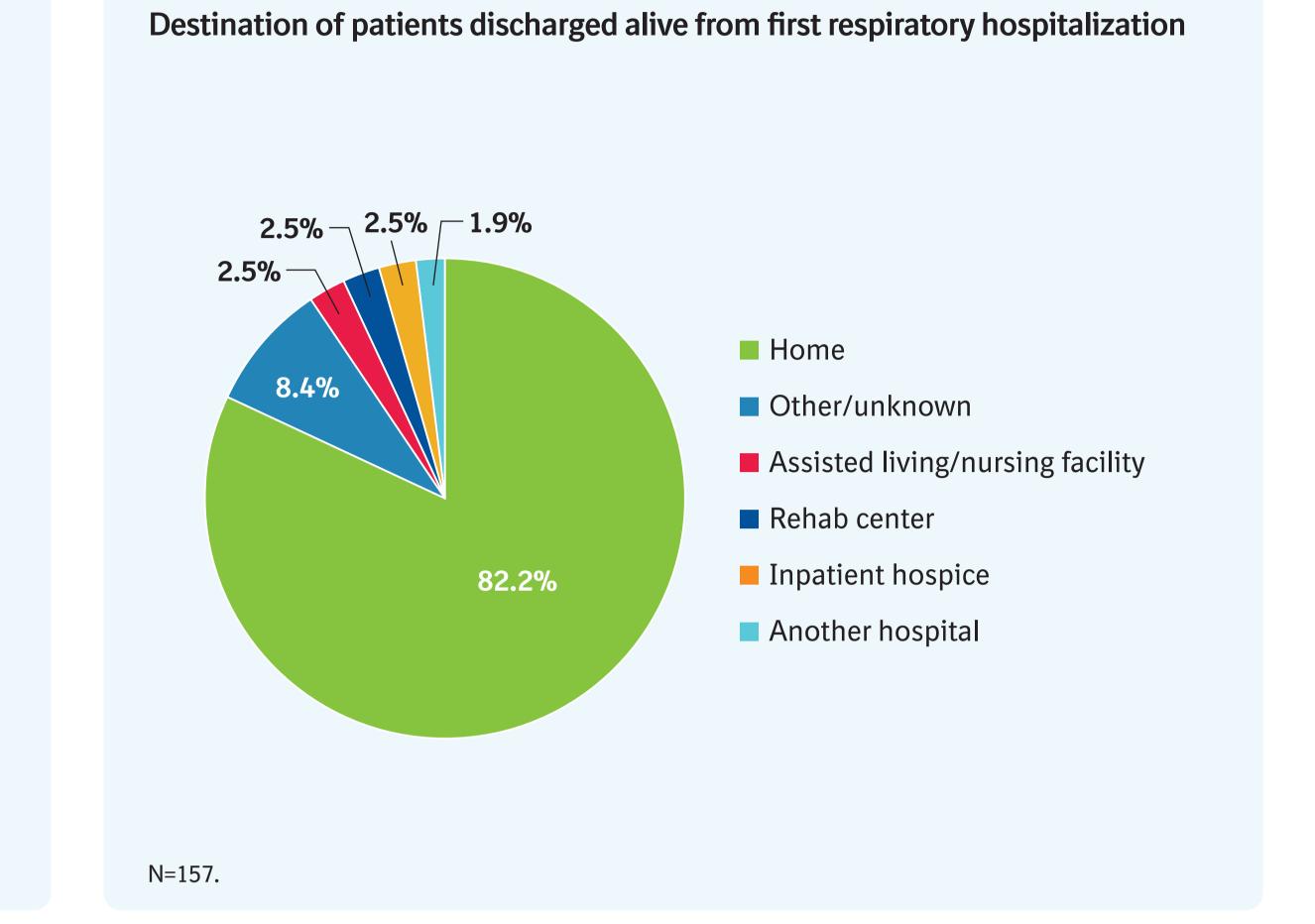
- Outcomes of the first hospitalization in subgroups by use of mechanical ventilation during that hospitalization were analyzed descriptively.
- Clinical characteristics at enrollment were analyzed in subgroups by shorter vs longer hospital stay (<7 vs ≥7 days).
- The risk of repeat respiratory hospitalization was analyzed using the Kaplan-Meier method among patients who did not receive mechanical ventilation during the first hospitalization.
- Changes in pulmonary function tests (PFTs) and health-related quality of life (measured using the St George's Respiratory Questionnaire [SGRQ]⁵) before versus 3–9 months after the first respiratory hospitalization were assessed among patients who did not receive mechanical ventilation.

CONCLUSIONS

- Respiratory-related hospitalizations were common among patients with IPF and were associated with high mortality.
- Patients who had a respiratory-related hospitalization had worse lung function and health-related quality of life 3-9 months following hospitalization than they did prior to the hospitalization.

RESULTS





Characteristics at enrollment in patients with shorter versus longer hospital stay

First respiratory hospitalizati <7 days (n=102)	on Firs	st respiratory hospitalization ≥7 days (n=55)
72 (70.6)	Male	42 (76.4)
71 (64, 75)	Age, years	70 (61, 77)
90 (91.8)	White	50 (90.9)
28.2 (26.0, 32.4)	Body mass index, kg/m ²	28.9 (25.9, 32.4)
74 (72.5)	Current or former smoker	38 (69.1)
	All-cause hospitalizations before enrollment	
82 (80.4)	0	45 (81.8)
15 (14.7)	1-2	5 (9.1)
5 (4.9)	>3	5 (9.1)
71.3 (60.9, 82.5)	FVC % predicted	69.4 (57.5, 78.2)
44.9 (36.8, 53.2)	DLco % predicted	34.4 (29.0, 47.8)

Based on patients discharged alive from first respiratory hospitalization (without a lung transplant).

mechanical ventilation

Risk of repeat respiratory hospitalization among patients who did not receive

Months from first respiratory hospitalization	N at risk	Cumulative n (%) with repeat respiratory hospitalization
0	151	
2	103	31 (20.5)
4	83	41 (27.2)
6	72	45 (29.8)
8	63	48 (31.8)
10	52	55 (36.4)
12	41	61 (40.4)

Patients were censored if they had a hospitalization of any cause, had a lung transplant, or died. One patient had a missing discharge date for the first respiratory hospitalization and, was not included in these Changes in PFTs and SGRQ scores before versus 3-9 months after respiratory hospitalization among patients who did not receive mechanical ventilation

Variable	Mean (SD) change
FEV ₁ , L	-0.2 (0.2)
FVC, L	-0.2 (0.3)
FVC % predicted	-4.9 (8.5)
DLco % predicted	-3.6 (6.9)
SGRQ total score	5.4 (17.4)
SGRQ symptoms score	2.1 (23.2)
SGRQ activity score	4.9 (19.0)
SGRQ impact score	6.7 (20.5)

N=62 for changes in FEV₁ and FVC; n=52 for changes in DLco; n=44 for change in SGRQ total score; n=45 for changes in SGRQ domain scores. Median time between hospital discharge and PFT collection was 166 days. Median time between hospital discharge and SGRQ collection was 176 days.

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Data are median (Q1, Q3) or n (%) of patients with available data.

7 days was the 75th percentile (Q3) of length of hospital stay.

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