

Supplementary table 1:

Patient characteristics – Participants (n 1454) compared to non-participants (n 1603)

	Participants	Non-participants	p-value
	n=1454	n=1603	
Sex, female – no (%)	981 (70)	956 (71)	0.55
Age – years	51.8 ±13	53.9±14	<0.001
Years from onset – median (IQR)	16 (8-25)	21 (13-30)	<0.001
Years from diagnosis – median (IQR)	10 (5-18)	16 (9-24)	<0.001
Relapsing onset, -no (%)	1194 (83)	1003 (63)	<0.001
Progressive onset,-no (%)	128 (8.9)	135 (8.4)	<0.001
EDSS, median (IQR)	2.5 (1.5-3.0)	2.5 (2-3)	0.08

Participants: Unclassified phenotype at onset 8.2% (n=118).

Non-participants: Unclassified phenotype at onset 28.4% (n=452).

EDSS = Expanded Disability Status Scale; IQR = inter quartile range