

**S4 Table. Associations between food biodiversity and total mortality rates from multivariable Cox proportional hazards regression models by country, EPIC cohort, 1992-2014.** EPIC, European Prospective Investigation into Cancer and Nutrition.

	Per 10-species increment	P-value	Quintiles (Qs) of dietary species richness (DSR)					P-trend
			Q <sub>1</sub>	Q <sub>2</sub>	Q <sub>3</sub>	Q <sub>4</sub>	Q <sub>5</sub>	
<b>Denmark</b>								
DSR, species per year			<67	[67 – 72]	[72 – 75]	[75 – 78]	≥78	
All (cases/person-years)	9,418/888,078		3,494/216,480	2,010/194,836	1,395/158,601	1,447/172,529	1,072/145,631	
Multi-adjusted model - HR (95% CI) <sup>a</sup>	0.82 (0.80-0.84)	<0.001	1.00 (ref)	0.76 (0.72-0.81)	0.70 (0.65-0.74)	0.69 (0.65-0.74)	0.65 (0.61-0.70)	<0.001
<b>France</b>								
DSR, species per year			<42	[42 – 62]	[62 – 70]	[70 – 76]	≥76	
All (cases/person-years)	4,455/1,303,948		1,049/265,399	1,107/270,743	867/284,128	728/244,715	704/238,963	
Multi-adjusted model - HR (95% CI) <sup>a</sup>	0.98 (0.96-1.00)	0.03	1.00 (ref)	1.01 (0.93-1.11)	0.86 (0.78-0.94)	0.92 (0.83-1.01)	0.96 (0.86-1.06)	0.03
<b>Germany</b>								
DSR, species per year			<76	[76 – 81]	[81 – 84]	[84 – 88]	≥88	
All (cases/person-years)	3,430/674,650		1,263/149,179	818/145,049	535/121,233	530/158,866	264/100,323	
Multi-adjusted model - HR (95% CI) <sup>a</sup>	0.85 (0.82-0.89)	<0.001	1.00 (ref)	0.88 (0.80-0.96)	0.81 (0.73-0.90)	0.73 (0.66-0.82)	0.64 (0.56-0.74)	<0.001
<b>Italy</b>								
DSR, species per year			<61	[61 – 67]	[67 – 71]	[71 – 76]	≥76	
All (cases/person-years)	2,423/689,933		663/142,376	585/151,359	389/126,995	451/146,004	335/123,199	
Multi-adjusted model - HR (95% CI) <sup>a</sup>	0.89 (0.85-0.94)	<0.001	1.00 (ref)	0.95 (0.85-1.07)	0.78 (0.68-0.89)	0.86 (0.75-0.98)	0.78 (0.66-0.92)	<0.001
<b>the Netherlands</b>								
DSR, species per year			<60	[60 – 65]	[65 – 68]	[68 – 71]	≥71	
All (cases/person-years)	3,471/610,475		1,343/140,988	918/144,492	525/113,244	432/114,368	253/97,383	
Multi-adjusted model - HR (95% CI) <sup>a</sup>	0.86 (0.82-0.91)	<0.001	1.00 (ref)	0.93 (0.86-1.02)	0.87 (0.78-0.96)	0.82 (0.73-0.92)	0.69 (0.59-0.79)	<0.001
<b>Norway</b>								
DSR, species per year			<35	[35 – 40]	[40 – 44]	[44 – 49]	≥49	
All (cases/person-years)	1,138/471,145		349/112,099	209/80,461	230/97,296	203/91,479	147/89,810	
Multi-adjusted model - HR (95% CI) <sup>a</sup>	0.77 (0.69-0.86)	<0.001	1.00 (ref)	0.92 (0.77-1.10)	0.89 (0.75-1.07)	0.88 (0.73-1.07)	0.66 (0.53-0.82)	<0.001
<b>Spain</b>								

DSR, species per year			<35	[35 – 40]	[40 – 44]	[44 – 49]	≥49	
All (cases/person-years)	3,429/737,975		1,006/163,920	780/158,648	609/140,311	556/139,988	478/135,107	
Multi-adjusted model - HR (95% CI) <sup>a</sup>	0.88 (0.83-0.92)	<0.001	1.00 (ref)	0.88 (0.80-0.97)	0.82 (0.73-0.91)	0.78 (0.70-0.88)	0.75 (0.66-0.85)	<0.001
<b>Sweden</b>								
DSR, species per year			<45	[45 – 54]	[54 – 60]	[60 – 63]	≥63	
All (cases/person-years)	8,633/878,162		3,693/212,320	2,226/192,489	1,170/169,380	844/162,753	700/141,220	
Multi-adjusted model - HR (95% CI) <sup>a</sup>	0.89 (0.87-0.92)	<0.001	1.00 (ref)	0.91 (0.86-0.96)	0.83 (0.76-0.90)	0.80 (0.72-0.89)	0.75 (0.67-0.84)	<0.001
<b>the United Kingdom</b>								
DSR, species per year			<71	[71 – 76]	[76 – 81]	[81 – 82]	≥82	
All (cases/person-years)	3,904/760,356		714/160,357	613/152,542	910/152,991	859/151,662	808/142,804	
Multi-adjusted model - HR (95% CI) <sup>a</sup>	0.96 (0.90-1.02)	0.20	1.00 (ref)	1.03 (0.92-1.15)	0.97 (0.87-1.09)	0.91 (0.81-1.03)	0.92 (0.82-1.04)	0.03

<sup>a</sup>Multi-adjusted models were stratified for centre, age at recruitment (1-y intervals, time-scale), and sex and adjusted for baseline alcohol intake (g/day), physical activity (Cambridge index: active; moderately active; moderately inactive; inactive; missing), marital status (single, divorced, separated, or widowed; married or living together; unknown), smoking status and intensity of smoking (current, 1-15 cigarettes/day; current, 16-25 cigarettes/day; current, 26+ cigarettes/day; current, pipe/cigar/occasional; current/former, missing; former, quit 11-20y; former, quit 20+y; former, quit ≤ 10y; never; unknown), educational level [longer education (incl. university degree, technical or professional school); secondary school; primary school completed; not specified], baseline energy intake (kcal/day), baseline fibre intake (g/day), baseline red and processed meat consumption (g/day), and an 18-point Mediterranean diet score [49].

**Abbreviations:** CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio.