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Supplemental Table 1. Details on data holdings, identification algorithms, and cohort characteristics by province.

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|  | **Alberta**  **(n = 664)** | **Manitoba**  **(n = 221)** | **Nova Scotia**  **(n = 236)** | **Ontario**  **(n = 2656)** | **Quebec**  **(n = 1437)** |
| **Study Cohort** | 1999-2008 | 1999-2010 | 2000-2008 | 1999-2010 | 1999-2008 |
| **Start Date of IBD Cohort** | April 1, 1996 | April 1, 1987 | April 1, 1993 | April 1, 1991 | April 1, 1996 |
| **Start Date of Incident IBD Cohort** | April 1, 1999 | April 1, 1987 | April 1, 2000 | April 1, 1994 | April 1, 1999 |
| **Identification Algorithm** | 2 hospitalizations, 4 outpatient visits or 2 ACCS contacts within 2 years | 5 outpatient visits or hospitalizations | If scoped: 4 outpatient visits or 2 hospitalizations  If not scoped: 7 outpatient visits or 3 hospitalizations | If scoped: 4 outpatient visits or 2 hospitalizations  If not scoped: 7 outpatient visits or 3 hospitalizations | 1 hospitalization or 4 outpatient visits within 2 years |
| **Accuracy of Identification Algorithm (when validated locally)** | Sens 83.4%  Spec 99.8%  PPV 97.4%  NPV 98.5% | Sens 74.4-89.2%  Spec 89.8-93.7% | n/a | Sens 89.6-91.1%  Spec 99.5-100%  PPV 57.7-75.2%  NPV >99.9% | n/a |
| **Reference for Algorithm Validation Study** | Rezaie, 2012(16) | Bernstein, 1999(17) | n/a | Benchimol, 2009(7) | n/a |
| **Look-back period to distinguish incident from prevalent cases** | 3 years | 3 years | 3 years | 3 years | 3 years |
| **CD/UC Classification Algorithm** | Alberta-specific system(16):  UC: ‘greater than +2’  CD: ‘less than -2’  IBDU: ‘between -2 and +2’ | 5 of last 9 outpatient contacts | 5 of last 7 outpatient contacts | 5 of last 7 outpatient contacts | 5 of last 7 outpatient contacts |

ACCS: Ambulatory Care Classification System; CD: Crohn’s disease; NPV: negative predictive value; PPV: positive predictive value; Sens: sensitivity; Spec: specificity; UC: ulcerative colitis; n/a: not applicable (i.e. algorithm not validated in province)

Supplemental Table 2. Comparison of sex distribution by age group.

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|  | **Ontario** | | | **Quebec** | | | **Alberta** | | | **Nova Scotia** | | | **Manitoba** | | |
| Age Group | Female  (%) | Males  (%) | P | Female  (%) | Males  (%) | P | Females  (%) | Males  (%) | P | Female  (%) | Male  (%) | P | Female  (%) | Male  (%) | P |
| IBD | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0.6-4.9y | 50  (36.8%) | 86  (63.2%) | 0.09 | 26  (36.1%) | 46  (63.9%) | 0.09 | 42  (51.2%) | 40  (48.8%) | 0.89 | 6  (46.2%) | 7  (53.9%) | 0.67 | ~25% | ~75% | 0.48 |
| 5-9.9y | 212  (45.0%) | 259  (55.0%) | 123  (47.3%) | 137  (52.7%) | 56  (50.0%) | 56  (50.0%) | 15  (39.5%) | 23  (60.5%) | 18  (42.9%) | 24  (57.1%) |
| 0.6-4.9y | 50  (36.8%) | 86  (63.2%) | 0.22 | 26  (36.1%) | 46  (63.9%) | 0.16 | 42  (51.2%) | 40  (48.8%) | 0.23 | 6  (46.2%) | 7  (53.9%) | 0.84 | ~25% | ~75% | 0.82 |
| 10-15.9y | 863  (42.1%) | 1186  (57.9%) | 644  (44.6%) | 801  (55.4%) | 201  (43.4%) | 262  (56.6%) | 80  (43.2%) | 105  (56.8%) | 99  (56.6%) | 76  (43.4%) |
| 5-9.9y | 212  (45.0%) | 259  (55.0%) | 0.25 | 123  (47.3%) | 137  (52.7%) | 0.41 | 56  (50.0%) | 56  (50.0%) | 0.24 | 15  (39.5%) | 23  (60.5%) | 0.67 | 18  (42.9%) | 24  (57.1%) | 0.15 |
| 10-15.9y | 863  (42.1%) | 1186  (57.9%) | 644  (44.6%) | 801  (55.4%) | 201  (43.4%) | 262  (56.6%) | 80  (43.2%) | 105  (56.8%) | 99  (56.6%) | 76  (43.4%) |
| CD | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0.6-4.9y | 16  (44.4%) | 20  (55.6%) | 0.60 | 20  (31.8%) | 43  (68.3%) | 0.05 | 18  (50.0%) | 18  (50.0%) | 0.67 | ~66.7% | ~33.3% | 0.36 | ~100% | ~0% | 1.0 |
| 5-9.9y | 102  (39.8%) | 154  (60.2%) | 98  (45.6%) | 117  (54.4%) | 22  (44.9%) | 27  (55.1%) | 10  (45.5%) | 12  (54.6%) | ~59.1% | ~40.9% |
| 0.6-4.9y | 16  (44.4%) | 20  (55.6%) | 0.54 | 20  (31.8%) | 43  (68.3%) | 0.11 | 18  (50.0%) | 18  (50.0%) | 0.37 | ~66.7% | ~33.3% | 0.19 | ~100% | ~0% | 1.0 |
| 10-15.9y | 503  (39.4%) | 775  (60.6%) | 525  (41.9%) | 727  (58.1%) | 129  (41.2%) | 184  (58.8%) | 48  (39.7%) | 73  (60.3%) | 65  (61.3%) | 41  (38.7%) |
| 5-9.9y | 102  (39.8%) | 154  (60.2%) | 0.88 | 98  (45.6%) | 117  (54.4%) | 0.32 | 22  (44.9%) | 27  (55.1%) | 0.64 | 10  (45.5%) | 12  (54.6%) | 0.61 | ~59.1% | ~40.9% | 1.0 |
| 10-15.9y | 503  (39.4%) | 775  (60.6%) | 525  (41.9%) | 727  (58.1%) | 129  (41.2%) | 184  (58.8%) | 48  (39.7%) | 73  (60.3%) | 65  (61.3%) | 41  (38.7%) |
| UC | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0.6-4.9y | 31  (39.2%) | 48  (60.8%) | 0.07 | ~62.5% | ~37.5% | 0.72 | 10  (47.6%) | 11  (52.4%) | 0.86 | ~28.6% | ~71.4% | 0.83 | ~66.7% | ~33.3% | 0.43 |
| 5-9.9y | 92  (51.4%) | 87  (48.6%) | 20  (55.6%) | 16  (44.4%) | 20  (50.0%) | 20  (50.0%) | ~33.3% | ~66.7% | ~25% | ~75% |
| 0.6-4.9y | 31  (39.2%) | 48  (60.8%) | 0.14 | ~62.5% | ~37.5% | 0.96 | 10  (47.6%) | 11  (52.4%) | 0.84 | ~28.6% | ~71.4% | 0.21 | ~66.7% | ~33.3% | 0.18 |
| 10-15.9y | 309  (48.0%) | 335  (52.0%) | 101  (61.6%) | 63  (38.4%) | 63  (50.0%) | 63  (50.0%) | 29  (53.7%) | 25  (46.3%) | 34  (49.3%) | 35  (50.7%) |
| 5-9.9y | 309  (48.0%) | 335 (52.0%) | 0.42 | 20  (55.6%) | 16  (44.4%) | 0.50 | 20  (50.0%) | 20  (50.0%) | 1.0 | ~33.3% | ~66.7% | 0.20 | ~25% | ~75% | 1.0 |
| 10-15.9y | 92  (51.4%) | 87 (48.6%) | 101  (61.6%) | 63  (38.4%) | 63  (50.0%) | 63  (50.0%) | 29 (53.7%) | 25 (46.3%) | 34 (49.3%) | 35  (50.7%) |

y: years.  
Note: Where estimates (~) are provided, small cell sizes were suppressed. Analysis used raw values and were analyzed using Wilcoxon rank sum.