

Primary immunodeficiency (PI) diseases occur in persons born with an immune system that is either absent or deficient in its ability to function. PI often present in the form of “common” infections, sometimes leading physicians to treat the infections while missing the underlying cause, allowing the illnesses to reoccur, and leaving the patient vulnerable to vital organ damage, physical disability, or even death.

22-29 April



300

Close to 300 different forms of PI exist



70-90%

of PI sufferers are still undiagnosed



1:1200

Suspected number of people with a genetic primary immunodeficiency that significantly affects their health

6 million

people worldwide may be living with PI



Celebrated every year on 22-29 April and through the organization of many events around the world



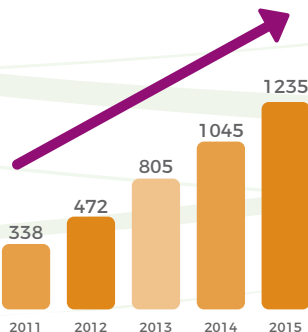
50+

More than 50 patient organizations established worldwide

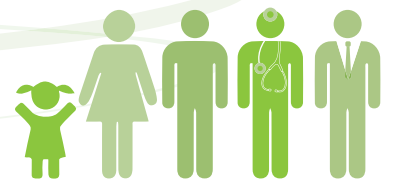


10 Warning Signs

Correct diagnosis of a PI disease begins with awareness of the 10 warning signs, now translated into 45 languages



Signatures to the WPIW petition since 2011



World PI Week brings together patients, parents, carers, healthcare professionals and politicians to raise awareness of primary immunodeficiencies.

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