

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL 1 – 5

Being prodromal:**Current prodromal criteria in the context of isolated REM sleep behavior disorder**

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SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL 1

Comparison between individuals in the iRBD cohort only and those with a completed cognitive test battery suitable to assess mild cognitive impairment (MCI) with Level-II criteria.

		Cohort only (n = 55)	BeingProdromal (n = 55)	Mann-Whitney U test
Age		66.3 (7.47)	68.28 (5.84)	$U = 1256, p = .165, r = 0.13$
Sex	female	9 (16.4%)	7 (12.7%)	$\chi^2(1)=0.07, p = .786$
	male	46 (83.6%)	48 (87.3%)	
Time since first reported RBD symptoms in years		7.93 (5.56)	8.02 (6.64)	$U = 1356, p = .582, r = 0.05$
Sniffin' Sticks		7.19 (2.6)	6.48 (2.55)	$U = 1673.5, p = .182, r = 0.13$
MDS-UPDRS-III		4.96 (3.53)	5.43 (3.08)	$U = 1330.5, p = .346, r = 0.09$
BDI-II		7.78 (9.62)	6.28 (7.35)	$U = 1448.5, p = .52, r = 0.06$
BAI		5.4 (6.53)	4.66 (5.51)	$U = 1251, p = .994, r = 0$
AES		29.46 (8.68)	27.92 (8.5)	$U = 1416, p = .338, r = 0.09$

Notes. AES, Apathy Evaluation Scale; BAI, Beck Anxiety Inventory; BDI-II, Beck Depression Inventory; RBD, rapid eye movement behavior disorder; MDS-UPDRS-III, Movement Disorder Society Unified Parkinson's Disease Rating Scale Part 3.

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL 2

Clinical Assessments and Cognitive Test Battery

Demographic characteristics, clinical rating scales (MDS Unified Parkinson's Disease Rating Scale, MDS-UPDRS¹, Unified Multiple System Atrophy Rating Scale, UMSARS², Orthostatic hypotension test: 10 min lying, followed by 3 min standing³), and olfactory functioning with Sniffin' Sticks (Burkhardt®, Wedel, Germany) were assessed during a clinical visit by trained psychologists and neurologists. Questionnaires were filled out following the clinical visit digitally or on paper: Scales for Outcomes in Parkinson's disease - Autonomic Dysfunction (SCOPA-AUT)⁴, Epworth Sleepiness Scale (ESS)⁵, Beck Depression Inventory (BDI-II)⁶, Beck Anxiety Inventory (BAI)⁷, Apathy Evaluation Scale (AES)⁸, Mild Behavioral Impairment Checklist (MBI-C)⁹, Multi-domain Subjective Cognitive Decline Evaluation (Multi-SubCoDE)¹⁰. A subset of participants underwent DaTscan and a clinical 1.5 Tesla MRI scan.

The cognitive assessment including the Montréal Cognitive Assessment (MoCA, ¹¹) and a Level-II cognitive battery for mild cognitive impairment (MCI)¹² was administered during a separate visit. At least two tests per five cognitive domains (executive functions, attention and working memory, memory, visuo-cognition, language) were assessed. Objective evidence of impairment as required for the pDLB operationalization¹³ was defined as the presence of impaired test performance ≤ -1 SD below published normative data in at least two tests within one or more of the investigated cognitive domains¹². The cognitive test battery including references of tests as well as an indication of whether the tests were used for the Level-II assessment of MCI is reported in the Table below. If two test scores of the same test (e.g., immediate and delayed recall of a word list) are impaired, another test needs to be impaired to meet the criterion of two test abnormalities.

DOMAIN	Abbreviation	Assessment	Relevant for Level-II MCI Assessment	Reference
COGNITION				
Overall Cognitive State				
Subjective Cognition	Multi-SubCoDE	Multi-Domain Subjective Cognitive Decline Evaluation		10
Global Cognition	MoCA	Montreal Cognitive Assessment		11
Executive				
Semantic fluency	RWT sem	Semantic Verbal Fluency: Food, Regensburger Wortflüssigkeitstest	X*	14
Phonemic fluency	RWT phon	Phonemic Verbal Fluency: P-Words, Regensburger Wortflüssigkeitstest	X*	14
Set-Shifting	TMTB/A	Trail Making Test (TMT): TMT-B / TMT-A	X	15, 16
Visuo-cognition				
Construction	ROCFT	Rey Osterrieth Complex Figure Test (ROCFT): Figure Copy	X	17,18
Perception	LPS-11	Visual Perception, Leistungsprüfsystem 50+: Subtest 11	X*	19
Spatial Perception	LPS-7	Spatial Rotation, Leistungsprüfsystem 50+: Subtest 7	X*	19
Attention & Working Memory				
Working Memory	DSback	Digit Span backwards, Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale (WAIS)	X	20
Processing Speed	TMT-A	Trail Making Test A	X	15, 16
Memory				
Verbal Memory	VLMT-Learn	Wordlist Learning, Verbaler Lern- und Merkfähigkeitstest (VLMT)	X*	21
	VLMT-Rec	Wordlist Recall, Verbaler Lern- und Merkfähigkeitstest (VLMT)	X*	21
Visuo-spatial Memory	ROCFT	Rey Osterrieth Complex Figure Test (ROCFT): Figure Recall	X	17,18
Language				
Naming	ACL-Naming	Aphasia Check List, Subtest Naming	X	22
Semantic and Abstraction	WAIS	Similarities, Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale (WAIS)	X	23

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL 3

Operationalization of Prodromal Criteria

Prodromal PD

pPD was diagnosed, if the prodromal disease definition for probable prodromal PD was fulfilled^{24,25}, i.e., if a probability of prodromal PD of $\geq 80\%$ was reached according to the likelihood ratio (LR) calculation, considering as many risk and prodromal markers as available. We assessed 8 of 10 risk markers and all prodromal markers.

Probable prodromal PD		
Berg et al. 2015	https://doi.org/10.1002/mds.26431	24
Heinzel et al. 2019	https://doi.org/10.1002/mds.27802	25
$\geq 80\%$ certainty		
previous probability based on age		
as many risk and prodromal markers as available		

Domain	Feature	Operationalization
Prior	age	age in years
Risk markers	male sex	sex: male / female
	regular pesticide exposure (i.e., ≥ 100 episodes of non-occupational exposure)	Clinical visit (explicit question)
	occupational solvent exposure	Clinical visit (explicit question)
	nonuse of caffeine (i.e., < 3 cups of coffee/6 cups of black tea per-week)	Clinical visit (explicit question)
	current smoker	Clinical visit (explicit question)
	never smoker	Clinical visit (explicit question)
	former smoker	Clinical visit (explicit question)
	first-degree relative with PD OR	Clinical visit (explicit question)
	known gene mutation OR	n.a.
	polygenic risk score	n.a.
	SN hyperechogenicity	n.a.
	Diabetes mellitus (type II)	Clinical visit (explicit question)
	physical inactivity	Clinical visit (explicit question)
	low plasma urate levels	n.a.
Prodromal markers	polysomnography-proven RBD OR	according to ICSD-3 ²⁶ : RSWA + anamnestic or video-PSG acting out
	possible RBD (questionnaire)	n.a.
	Dopaminergic PET/SPECT clearly abnormal	DaTSCAN: ≥ 1 region of the basal ganglia showing reduced DaT uptake ≤ -2 SD below age-corrected normative values
	Subthreshold parkinsonism OR	MDS-UPDRS-III > 6 excluding postural and action tremor ¹
	Abnormal quantitative motor testing	n.a.
	Olfactory loss	Sniffin' Sticks (Burkhardt®, Wedel, Germany) < 10
	Constipation	SCOPA-AUT $\leq 1 \times 2$ days, SCOPA-AUT $5+6 > 1$ OR medication ⁴
	Excessive daytime somnolence	Epworth Sleepiness Scale total score ≥ 10 ⁵
	Orthostatic hypotension (OH) – neurogenic OH OR	n.a.
	Symptomatic OH	Orthostatic hypotension test (10 min lying, 3 min standing) ³ singular systolic blood pressure drop ≥ 20 mmHg or a diastolic blood pressure drop ≥ 10 mmHg upon standing compared to any supine blood pressure measurement ³
	Erectile dysfunction	Clinical visit (explicit question)
	Urinary dysfunction	SCOPA-AUT $(8+9+10+12) \geq 2$ ⁴
	Depression (\pm anxiety)	Beck Depression Inventory ≥ 20 ⁶
	Global cognitive deficit	≥ 2 tests ≤ -1.5 SD below the norm in a neuropsychological test battery with ≥ 2 tests per five domains ¹²

Notes. Non-assessed risk and prodromal markers are printed in grey font color and marked with n.a.. DaTSCAN, dopamine transporter (DaT) scan; ICSD-3, International Classification of Sleep Disorders III (ICSD-III) criteria; MDS-UPDRS-III, Movement Disorder Society Unified Parkinson's Disease Rating Scale Part 3; PSG, polysomnography; RSWA, rapid eye movement sleep without atonia; SCOPA-AUT, Scales for Outcomes in Parkinson's disease - Autonomic Dysfunction

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL 3 (continued)

Prodromal DLB

pDLB was diagnosed, if the definition for probable MCI-LB¹³ was fulfilled. MCI as the essential feature was defined by the presence of questionnaire-based subjective cognitive decline, Level-II objective cognitive decline as described above¹², and preserved activities of daily living assessed by medical history. Polysomnography-proven iRBD, Parkinsonism, and recurrent visual hallucinations were assessed as the core clinical features. For all individuals with iRBD, REM sleep without atonia (RSWA) as a proposed biomarker was confirmed by polysomnography. Furthermore, a subset of participants underwent DaTscan. Reduced DaT uptake in basal ganglia was defined as ≥ 1 region of the basal ganglia showing reduced DaT uptake ≤ -2 SD below age-corrected normative values. We assessed all essential features, 3 of 4 core clinical features, 2 of 3 proposed biomarkers, 12 of 13 supportive clinical features, however, none of the potential biomarkers.

Probable MCI-LB		
McKeith et al. 2020	https://doi.org/10.1212/WNL.0000000000000932	13
Mild Cognitive Impairment		
≥ 2 core clinical features OR		
1 core clinical feature + ≥ 1 proposed biomarker		

Domain	Feature	Operationalization
essential	subjective cognitive decline	Multi-SubCoDE ≥ 1 domain subjectively impaired ¹⁰
	Level-II MCI	≥ 2 tests ≤ -1.5 SD below the norm in a neuropsychological test battery with ≥ 2 tests per five domains ¹²
	preserved activities of daily living	by medical history
core clinical features	Fluctuating cognition with variations in attention and alertness	n.a.
	Recurrent visual hallucinations	MDS-UPDRS-I Item 2 ≥ 3 ¹
	polysomnography-proven RBD	according to ICSD-3 ²⁶ : RSWA + anamnestic or video-PSG acting out
	Parkinsonism	MDS-UPDRS-III: ≥ 1 subscore bradykinesia (3.4-3.8 + 3.14), rest tremor (3.17, 3.18), rigidity (3.3) ≥ 3 ¹
proposed biomarkers	Reduced dopamine transporter (DaT) uptake in basal ganglia demonstrated by SPECT or PET	DaTSCAN: ≥ 1 region of the basal ganglia showing reduced DaT uptake ≤ -2 SD below age-corrected normative values
	PSG-confirmed RSWA	PSG-confirmed RSWA
	Reduced MIBG uptake on myocardial scintigraphy	n.a.
supportive clinical features	severe sensitivity to antipsychotic agents	by medical history
	postural instability	MDS-UPDRS-III 3.12 ≥ 2 ¹
	repeated falls	UMSARS 1.8 ≥ 2 ²
	syncope or other transient episodes of unresponsiveness	SCOPA-AUT item 16 fainting ≥ 1 ⁴
	prolonged or recurrent delirium	medical history
	autonomic dysfunction	Orthostatic hypotension test (10 min lying, 3 min standing) ³ ;
	e.g., constipation, orthostatic hypotension, urinary incontinence	UMSARS 1.10, SCOPA-AUT $\leq 1 \times / 2$ days, SCOPA-AUT 5+6 > 1 OR medication ⁴
	hypersomnia	n.a.
	hyposmia	Sniffin' Sticks (Burkhardt®, Wedel, Germany) < 10
	hallucinations in other modalities	MDS-UPDRS-I 1.2 ¹
	systematized delusions	MBI-C domain: conviction and impression ≥ 3 ⁹
	apathy	Apathy Evaluation Scale ≥ 34 ⁸
	anxiety	Beck Anxiety Inventory ≥ 16 ⁷
	depression	Beck Depression Inventory ≥ 20 ⁶
potential biomarkers	EEG slowing	n.a.
	preservation of medial temporal lobe structures	n.a.
	Insular thinning and gray matter volume loss	n.a.

Notes. Non-assessed risk and prodromal markers are printed in grey font color and marked with n.a.. DaTSCAN, dopamine transporter (DaT) scan; ICSD-3, International Classification of Sleep Disorders III (ICSD-III) criteria; MDS-UPDRS, Movement Disorder Society Unified Parkinson's Disease Rating Scale; MBI-C, Mild Behavioral Impairment Checklist; MIBG, meta-iodobenzylguanidine; Multi-SubCoDE, Multi-Domain Subjective Cognitive Decline Evaluation; PSG, polysomnography; RSWA, rapid eye movement sleep without atonia; SCOPA-AUT, Scales for Outcomes in Parkinson's disease - Autonomic Dysfunction; UMSARS, Unified Multiple System Atrophy Rating Scale

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL 3 (continued)

Prodromal MSA

pMSA was diagnosed, if the definition for possible prodromal MSA²⁷ was fulfilled. A sporadic, progressive adult disease onset as the essential feature was assessed by medical history. Polysomnography-proven iRBD and neurogenic orthostatic hypotension (OH) were assessed as the clinical non-motor features, and subtle parkinsonian signs and subtle cerebellar signs as the clinical motor features. Unexplained anosmia as a mandatory exclusion criterion (as we did not perform cardiac sympathetic imaging, 123I-MIBG-scintigraphy) was operationalized by a Sniffin' Sticks (Burkhardt®, Wedel, Germany) score ≤ 6 . We assessed the essential criterion, 2 of 3 proposed clinical non-motor features, all clinical motor features, 1 of 2 potential mandatory exclusion criteria, and 5 of 6 further exclusion criteria.

Possible prodromal MSA

Wenning et al. 2022 <https://doi.org/10.1002/mds.29005> ²⁷

sporadic, progressive adult onset disease

≥ 1 clinical non-motor feature

≥ 1 clinical motor features

none of exclusion criteria

Domain	Feature	Operationalization
essential	A sporadic, progressive adult (>30 years) onset disease	by medical history
clinical non-motor features	polysomnography-proven RBD	according to ICSD-3 ²⁶ : RSWA + anamnestic or video-PSG acting out
	neurogenic orthostatic hypotension	Orthostatic hypotension test (10 min lying, 3 min standing) ³ singular systolic blood pressure drop ≥ 20 mmHg or a diastolic blood pressure drop ≥ 10 mmHg upon standing compared to any supine blood pressure measurement ³
	urogenital failure	n.a.
clinical motor features	subtle parkinsonian signs	MDS-UPDRS-III >6 excluding postural and action tremor ¹
	subtle cerebellar signs	sum ≥ 3 : UMSARS 2.3 (ocular motor dysfunction), UMSARS 2.10 (heel-knee test), UPDRS-III 3.16 finger-nose test
exclusion criteria	unexplained anosmia on olfactory testing OR	Sniffin' Sticks (Burkhardt®, Wedel, Germany) <6
		<i>for sensitivity analyses, we repeated the analyses with the cut-off for hyposmia (instead of anosmia) in the Sniffin' Sticks examination <10, see Supplementary Material 4</i>
	abnormal cardiac sympathetic imaging (123I-MIBG- scintigraphy)	n.a.
	Fluctuating cognition with early decline in visuoperceptual abilities	n.a.
	Recurrent visual hallucinations	MDS-UPDRS-I Item 2 ≥ 3 ¹
	Dementia	by medical history
	Downgaze supranuclear palsy	by medical history
	Brain MRI findings suggestive of an alternative diagnosis	MRI
	Documentation of an alternative condition known to produce autonomic failure, ataxia, or parkinsonism and plausibly connected to the patient's symptoms	by medical history

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SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL 4

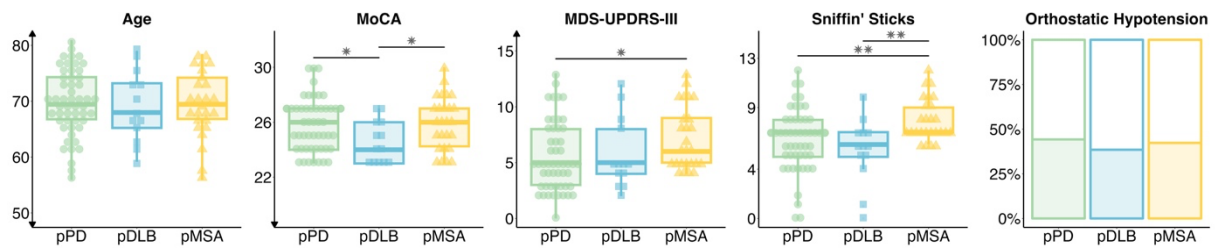
Sample characteristics irrespective of overlap between disease definitions

			ALL N = 55	pPD n = 52	pDLB n = 13	pMSA n = 26
Age			69.41 (5.75) [55.90 - 80.93]	69.69 (5.77) [55.90 - 80.93]	69.19 (6.27) [59.15 - 79.02]	69.55 (5.85) [55.90 - 78.48]
Sex	female		7 (12.73%)	7 (13.46%)	2 (15.38%)	2 (7.69%)
	male		48 (87.27%)	45 (86.54%)	11 (84.62%)	24 (92.31%)
Years of Education			15.62 (3.17) [7 - 22]	15.51 (3.22) [7 - 22]	13.54 (2.91) [7 - 19]	15.42 (3.37) [7 - 22]
RBD duration in years			8.02 (6.64) [1.43 - 28.94]	7.93 (6.68) [1.43 - 28.94]	6.20 (5.40) [1.77 - 20.13]	8.38 (6.82) [1.71 - 27.38]
Sniffin' Sticks			6.48 (2.55) [0 - 12]	6.40 (2.55) [0 - 12]	69.19 (6.27) [59.15 - 79.02]	8 (1.72) [6 - 12]
Olfactory impairment	anosmia		17 (31.48%)	17 (32.69%)	5 (38.46%)	8 (1.72) [6 - 12]
	hyposmia		31 (57.41%)	30 (57.69%)	7 (53.85%)	0 (0%)
MDS-UPDRS-III			5.43 (3.08) [0 - 13]	5.52 (3.10) [0 - 13]	5.85 (3.16) [2 - 12]	7.19 (2.84) [4 - 13]
MoCA			26.05 (2.07) [23 - 30]	25.87 (1.95) [23 - 30]	24.54 (1.56) [23 - 27]	25.92 (1.98) [23 - 30]
Level-II cognitive impairment	a-sd-MCI		2 (3.64%)	2 (3.85%)	2 (15.38%)	2 (7.69%)
	a-md-MCI		10 (18.18%)	10 (19.23%)	9 (69.23%)	4 (15.38%)
	na-md-MCI		3 (5.45%)	3 (5.77%)	2 (15.38%)	1 (3.85%)
Subjectively impaired domains			1.47 (1.42) [0 - 5]	1.88 (1.25) [0 - 3]	2 (1.33) [0 - 4]	1.52 (1.43) [0 - 5]
BDI-II			6.28 (7.35) [0 - 41]	6.55 (7.47) [0 - 41]	9.75 (6.59) [0 - 24]	6.96 (6.56) [0 - 24]
BAI			4.66 (5.51) [0 - 25]	4.81 (5.65) [0 - 25]	6.73 (5.33) [2 - 21]	4.63 (5.54) [0 - 21]
AES			27.92 (8.50) [17 - 50]	28.38 (8.55) [17 - 50]	33.73 (9.61) [18 - 50]	27.96 (8.95) [17 - 50]
pPD	probability		0.96 (0.08) [0.57 - 1]	0.98 (0.05) [0.80 - 1]	0.98 (0.04) [0.85 - 1]	0.97 (0.07) [0.74 - 1]
pDLB	essential	1	11 (20%)	13 (25.00%)	13 (100%)	7 (26.92%)
		2	24 (43.64%)	22 (42.31%)	3 (23.08%)	4 (15.38%)
	core	1	31 (56.36%)	30 (57.69%)	10 (76.92%)	22 (84.62%)
		2	41 (74.55%)	38 (73.08%)	10 (76.92%)	17 (65.38%)
	biomarker	1	14 (25.45%)	14 (26.92%)	3 (23.08%)	9 (34.62%)
		2	7 (12.73%)	6 (11.54%)	3 (23.08%)	4 (15.38%)
	supportive	1	28 (50.91%)	28 (53.85%)	3 (23.08%)	10 (38.46%)
		2	13 (23.64%)	13 (25%)	6 (46.15%)	7 (26.92%)
		3	1 (1.82%)	1 (1.92%)	1 (7.69%)	1 (3.85%)
		4	1 (1.82%)	1 (1.92%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
pMSA	essential	1	55 (100%)	52 (100%)	13 (100%)	26 (100%)
		2	32 (58.18%)	29 (55.77%)	8 (61.54%)	15 (57.69%)
	non-motor	1	23 (41.82%)	23 (44.23%)	5 (38.46%)	11 (42.31%)
		2	20 (36.36%)	18 (34.62%)	3 (23.08%)	0 (0%)
	motor	1	35 (63.64%)	34 (65.38%)	10 (76.92%)	26 (100%)
		2	38 (69.81%)	35 (67.31%)	8 (61.54%)	26 (100%)
	exclusion criteria	1	17 (30.91%)	17 (32.69%)	5 (38.46%)	0 (0%)
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Notes. Data are mean (standard deviation) [range] or n (%). Group-wise data is based on those fulfilling the prodromal disease definitions of pPD, pDLB, and pMSA, irrespective of overlapping diagnoses.

AES, Apathy Evaluation Scale; a-sd-MCI, amnesic single-domain mild cognitive impairment; a-md-MCI, amnesic multi-domain mild cognitive impairment; BAI, Beck Anxiety Inventory; BDI-II, Beck Depression Inventory; MoCA, Montréal Cognitive Assessment; na-md-MCI, non-amnesic multi-domain mild cognitive impairment; RBD, rapid eye movement behavior disorder; MDS-UPDRS-III, Movement Disorder Society Unified Parkinson's Disease Rating Scale Part 3; pDLB, prodromal dementia with Lewy bodies; pMSA, prodromal multiple system atrophy; pPD, prodromal Parkinson's disease.

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL 4 (continued)



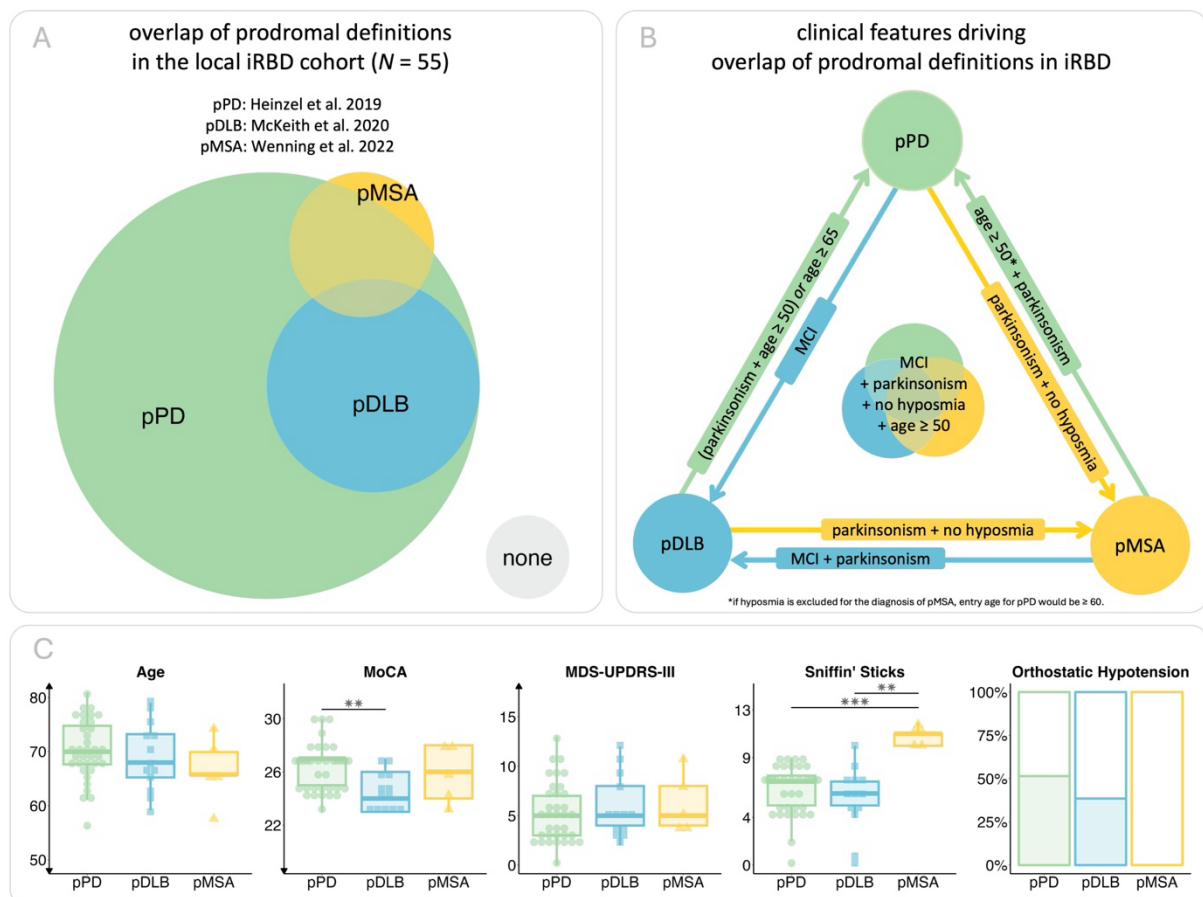
Sample characteristics irrespective of overlap between disease definitions. Age in years, MoCA (Montréal Cognitive Assessment) scores, MDS-UPDRS-III (Unified Parkinson's Disease Rating Scale Part 3) scores, Sniffin' Sticks score and presence of orthostatic hypotension in percent of individuals fulfilling the prodromal disease definitions of pPD (i.e., pPD only, green), pDLB (i.e., pDLB&pPD and pDLB&pPD&pMSA, blue), and pMSA (i.e., pMSA and pMSA&pPD, yellow). Dots/squares/triangles represent individual scores. The group-wise boxplots visualize the within-group median, the hinges represent the corresponding first and the third quartile, and the whiskers are 1.5 times the inter-quartile range. Asterisks represent significance of pairwise Mann-Whitney U tests, $^+p < .100$, $*p < .050$, $**p \leq .010$, $***p \leq .001$

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL 5

Sensitivity analyses excluding hyposmia rather than anosmia for prodromal multiple system atrophy

While the published pMSA criteria²⁷ consistently specify anosmia rather than hyposmia as the exclusion criterion, they lack a precise definition for how to operationalize anosmia in clinical assessments. Based on the terminology in Wenning, Stankovic²⁷, we added a sensitivity analysis applying the cut-off for hyposmia (<10) rather than for anosmia (<6) in our olfactory testing with the Sniffin' Sticks as an exclusion criterion for pMSA.

This significantly reduced the number of pMSA classifications. At least one of the prodromal disease definitions was fulfilled in 96.4% of the individuals with iRBD, and 94.5% could be classified as pPD. 'pPD only' was fulfilled in 63.6% of individuals, 'pMSA only' in 1.8%. In contrast, all individuals with pDLB fulfilled at least one additional prodromal definition. Overall, 30.9% fulfilled more than one definition: 7.3% were classified as pMSA&pPD, 21.8% as pDLB&pPD, and 1.8% fulfilled all three prodromal definitions (pPD&pDLB&pMSA). The overlap is visualized in the Figure below. Particularly group differences in cognitive [$\chi^2(2) = 9.06, p = .011$, (pPD = pMSA) > (pDLB = pMSA)] and olfactory testing [$\chi^2(2) = 14.00, p < .001$, (pPD = pDLB) < pMSA] persisted, while group differences in the MDS-UPDRS-III [$\chi^2(2) = 0.96, p = .619$, pPD = pDLB = pMSA] diminished. For details, please refer to the Table below.



Sample characteristics following sensitivity analyses excluding hyposmia rather than anosmia for prodromal multiple system atrophy

			ALL N = 55	pPD* n = 35	pDLB* n = 13	pMSA* n = 5	p
Age			69.41 (5.75) [55.90 - 80.93]	70.20 (5.50) [55.90 - 80.93]	69.19 (6.27) [59.15 - 79.02]	66.70 (6.24) [57.63 - 74.53]	.374
Sex	female		7 (12.73%)	5 (14.29%)	2 (15.38%)	0 (0%)	.653
	male		48 (87.27%)	30 (85.71%)	11 (84.62%)	5 (100%)	
Years of Education			15.62 (3.17) [7 - 22]	16.23 (3.12) [10 - 22]	13.54 (2.91) [7 - 19]	15.80 (2.71) [12.00 - 19.50]	.045
Time since first reported RBD symptoms in years			8.02 (6.64) [1.43 - 28.94]	8.37 (7.17) [1.43 - 28.94]	6.20 (5.40) [1.77 - 20.13]	11.00 (5.13) [3.65 - 15.60]	.250
Sniffin' Sticks			6.48 (2.55) [0 - 12]	6.20 (2.07) [0 - 9]	5.54 (2.70) [0 - 10]	10.80 (0.84) [10 - 12]	<.001
Olfactory impairment	anosmia		17 (31.48%)	12 (34.29%)	5 (38.46%)	0 (0%)	<.001
	hyposmia		31 (57.41%)	23 (65.71%)	7 (53.85%)	0 (0%)	
Orthostatic Hypotension			23 (42.59%)	18 (51.43%)	5 (38.46%)	0 (0%)	.087
MDS-UPDRS-III			5.43 (3.08) [0 - 13]	5.23 (3.10) [0 - 13]	5.85 (3.16) [2 - 12]	6.40 (3.05) [4 - 11]	<.619
MoCA			26.05 (2.07) [23 - 30]	26.43 (1.84) [23 - 30]	24.54 (1.56) [23 - 27]	25.80 (2.28) [23 - 28]	.011
Level-II cognitive impairment	a-sd-MCI		2 (3.64%)	0 (0%)	2 (15.38%)	0 (0%)	<.001
	a-md-MCI		10 (18.18%)	1 (2.86%)	9 (69.23%)	0 (0%)	
	na-md-MCI		3 (5.45%)	1 (2.86%)	2 (15.38%)	0 (0%)	
Subjectively impaired domains			1.47 (1.42) [0 - 5]	1.20 (1.51) [0 - 5]	2 (1.33) [0 - 4]	1.60 (1.67) [0 - 4]	.354
BDI-II			6.28 (7.35) [0 - 41]	5.51 (7.63) [0 - 41]	9.75 (6.59) [0 - 24]	4.80 (7.05) [0 - 17]	.057
BAI			4.66 (5.51) [0 - 25]	4.45 (5.88) [0 - 25]	6.73 (5.33) [2 - 21]	2.00 (1.41) [0 - 3]	.046
AES			27.92 (8.50) [17 - 50]	27.32 (7.71) [17 - 44]	33.73 (9.61) [18 - 50]	20.25 (2.75) [17 - 23]	.023
pPD	probability		0.96 (0.08) [0.57 - 1]	0.98 (0.04) [0.84 - 1.00]	0.98 (0.04) [0.85 - 1]	0.86 (0.10) [0.74 - 0.96]	.007
pDLB	essential	1	13 (23.64%)	0 (0%)	13 (100%)	0 (0%)	<.001
	core	1	24 (43.64%)	17 (48.57%)	3 (23.08%)	2 (40%)	.280
		2	31 (56.36%)	18 (51.43%)	10 (76.92%)	3 (60%)	
	biomarker	1	41 (74.55%)	24 (68.57%)	10 (76.92%)	5 (100%)	.313
		2	14 (25.45%)	11 (31.43%)	3 (23.08%)	0 (0%)	
	supportive	1	7 (12.73%)	2 (5.71%)	3 (23.08%)	1 (20%)	<.001
		2	28 (50.91%)	25 (71.43%)	3 (23.08%)	0 (0%)	
		3	13 (23.64%)	7 (20%)	6 (46.15%)	0 (0%)	
		4	1 (1.82%)	0 (0%)	1 (7.69%)	0 (0%)	
		5	1 (1.82%)	1 (2.86%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	
pMSA	essential	1	55 (100%)	35 (100%)	13 (100%)	5 (100%)	n.a.
	non-motor	1	32 (58.18%)	17 (48.57%)	8 (61.54%)	5 (100%)	.087
		2	23 (41.82%)	18 (51.43%)	5 (38.46%)	0 (0%)	
	motor	0	20 (36.36%)	15 (42.86%)	3 (23.08%)	0 (0%)	.106
		1	35 (63.64%)	20 (57.14%)	10 (76.92%)	5 (100%)	
	exclusion criteria	0	38 (69.81%)	0 (0%)	8 (61.54%)	5 (100%)	<.001
		1	17 (30.91%)	35 (100%)	5 (38.46%)	0 (0%)	

Notes. Data are mean (standard deviation) [range] or n (%). P-values of Kruskal-Wallis tests or Chi-squared tests are reported as appropriate. AES, Apathy Evaluation Scale; a-sd-MCI, amnesic single-domain mild cognitive impairment; a-md-MCI, amnesic multi-domain mild cognitive impairment; BAI, Beck Anxiety Inventory; BDI-II, Beck Depression Inventory; MoCA, Montréal Cognitive Assessment; na-md-MCI, non-amnesic multi-domain mild cognitive impairment; RBD, rapid eye movement behavior disorder; MDS-UPDRS-III, Movement Disorder Society Unified Parkinson's Disease Rating Scale Part 3; pDLB, prodromal dementia with Lewy bodies; pMSA, prodromal multiple system atrophy; pPD, prodromal Parkinson's disease.

* Groups were created so that each individual is represented only once. The pPD group includes those fulfilling the pPD criteria only, the pDLB group includes those fulfilling pDLB&pPD and pDLB&pPD&pMSA, and the pMSA group pMSA and pMSA&pPD. Two individuals did not fulfill any of the three prodromal disease definitions.

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