Descriptive Analysis

Indoor dust bacterial and fungal microbiota composition and allergic diseases: a scoping review

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Packages and session information

```r
if (!require("pacman", quietly = TRUE)) {
  install.packages("pacman")
}

pacman::p_load(
  tidyverse,    # Used for basic data handling and visualization.
  ggmosaic,     # Used to create mosaic plots.
  RColorBrewer, # Color palettes for data visualization.
  maps,         # Retrieve map data to plot world map.
  gridExtra,    # Arrange grobs in a plot.
  gt,           # Print and save html tables.
  report        # Used to generate package citations in markdown format.
)
```

```
R version 4.4.0 (2024-04-24 ucrt)
Platform: x86_64-w64-mingw32/x64
Running under: Windows 11 x64 (build 22631)

Matrix products: default


locale:
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[3] LC_MONETARY=Spanish_Mexico.utf8 LC_NUMERIC=C
[5] LC_TIME=Spanish_Mexico.utf8

time zone: Europe/Berlin
tzcode source: internal

attached base packages:
[1] stats     graphics  grDevices utils     datasets  methods   base

other attached packages:
 [1] report_0.5.8        gt_0.10.1           gridExtra_2.3       maps_3.4.2
 [5] RColorBrewer_1.1-3 ggmosaic_0.3.3      lubridate_1.9.3     forcats_1.0.0
 [9] stringr_1.5.1       dplyr_1.1.4         purrr_1.0.2         readr_2.1.5
[13] tidyr_1.3.1         tibble_3.2.1        ggplot2_3.5.1       tidyverse_2.0.0
[17] pacman_0.5.1
```

Load data

```
Formal class 'DataFrameCollection' [package ".GlobalEnv"] with 0 slots
 Named list()
  ..$ data                    : tibble [144 x 31] (S3: tbl_df/tbl/data.frame)
  ..$ countries                : tibble [175 x 5] (S3: tbl_df/tbl/data.frame)
  ..$ collectors               : tibble [184 x 2] (S3: tbl_df/tbl/data.frame)
  ..$ buildings                : tibble [159 x 2] (S3: tbl_df/tbl/data.frame)
  ..$ environmental_determinants: tibble [595 x 3] (S3: tbl_df/tbl/data.frame)
  ..$ references               :'data.frame':  144 obs. of  90 variables:
```

Descriptive analysis of variables collected

Year of publication

The range of year of publication was 2008 to 2024.

The following barplot saved as **Figure_years_publication.jpeg** shows the absolute frequency of original research articles published per year.
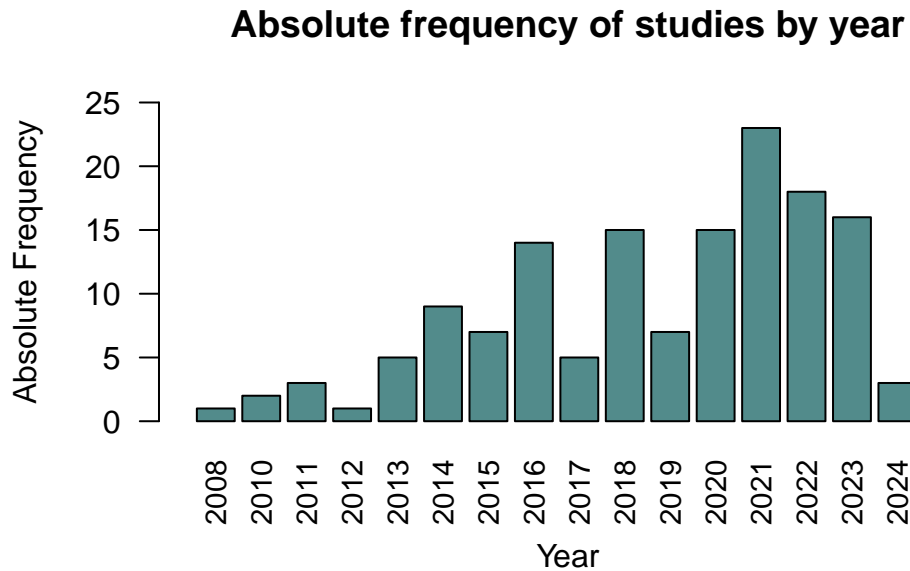
Study Design

Study design	n	Percentage
Cross-sectional	86	59.7
Cohort	27	18.8
Case-control	15	10.4
Experimental	11	7.6
Case report	5	3.5
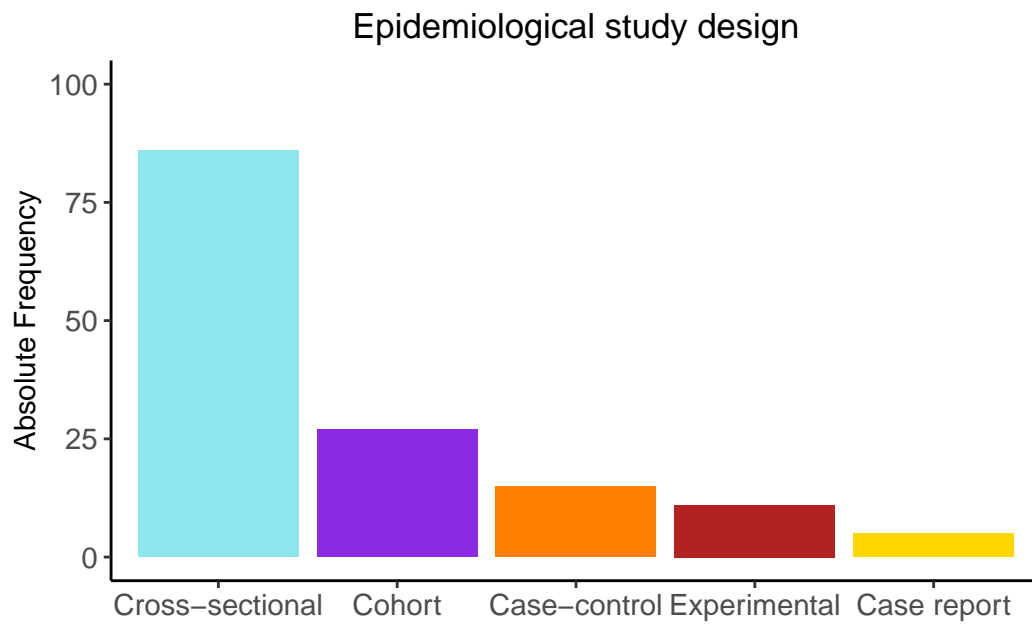
The studies included in the review used the following study designs: Cross-sectional, n=86 (59.7%), Cohort, n=27 (18.8%), Case-control, n=15 (10.4%), Experimental, n=11 (7.6%), Case report, n=5 (3.5%).

Type of building

Type of building	n	Percentage
dwelling	98	68.1
school	14	9.7
store	8	5.6
office	7	4.9
hospital	6	4.2
space station	5	3.5
nursery	4	2.8
sport	4	2.8
university	4	2.8
laboratory	2	1.4
archive	1	0.7
biosphere	1	0.7
church	1	0.7
coal mine	1	0.7
industry	1	0.7
restaurant	1	0.7
vehicle	1	0.7

Barplot top 10 types of building:
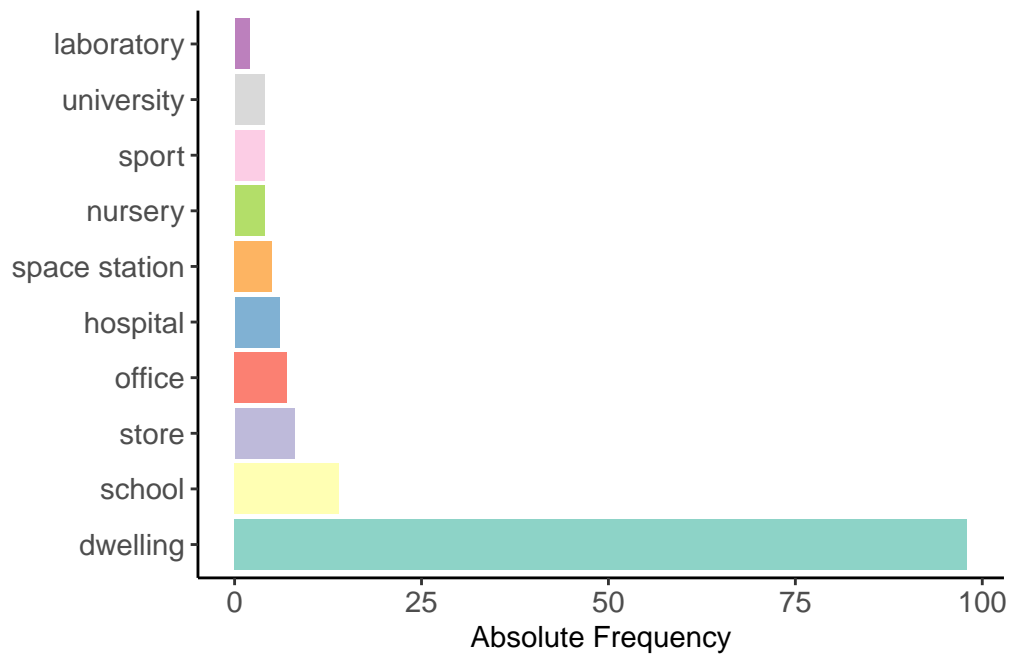
Countries

Some of the studies were conducted in multiple countries or in the international space station:

More than 1 country	n	Percentage
No	125	86.8
Yes	14	9.7
ISS	5	3.5

After excluding those studies conducted in the international space station, these are the frequencies and percentages of studies per country.

Country of sample collection	n	Percentage
USA	51	36.69
China	26	18.71
Finland	13	9.35
Germany	10	7.19
France	8	5.76
Denmark	6	4.32
Malaysia	6	4.32
Norway	5	3.60
South Korea	4	2.88
Switzerland	4	2.88
United Kingdom	4	2.88
Canada	3	2.16
Australia	2	1.44
Austria	2	1.44
Belgium	2	1.44
Brazil	2	1.44
Iceland	2	1.44
Mexico	2	1.44
Netherlands	2	1.44
Poland	2	1.44
Spain	2	1.44
Sweden	2	1.44
Czech Republic	1	0.72
Egypt	1	0.72
Estonia	1	0.72
Greece	1	0.72
India	1	0.72
Indonesia	1	0.72

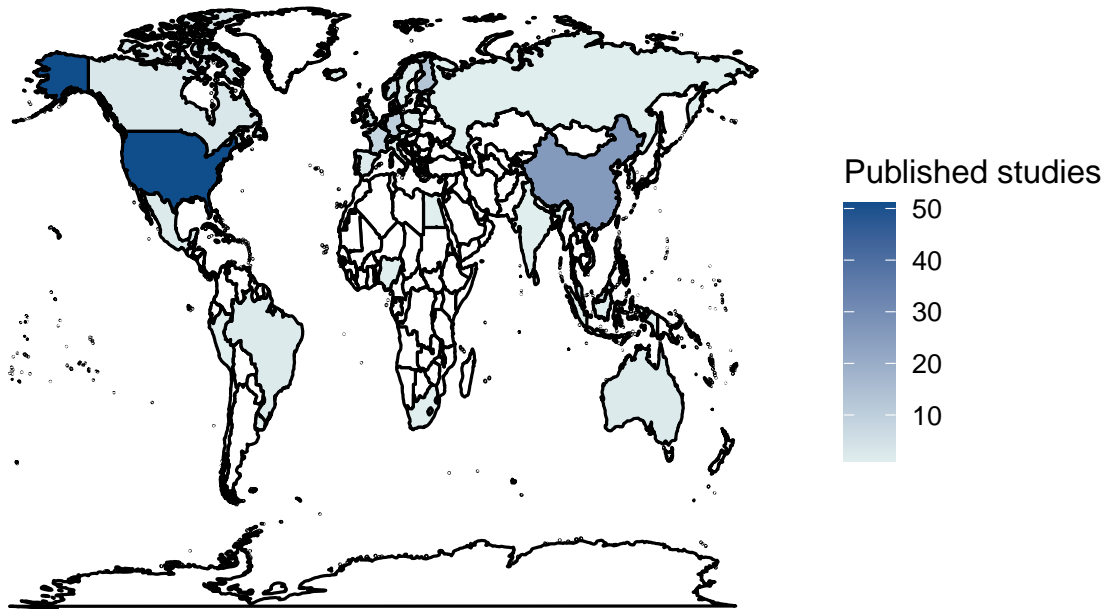|		
Italy	1	0.72
Micronesia	1	0.72
Nigeria	1	0.72
Peru	1	0.72
Portugal	1	0.72
Russia	1	0.72
Singapore	1	0.72
South Africa	1	0.72
Uruguay	1	0.72

Map

I will use the world map data from the maps package `map_data("world")` to join with the
`countries` dataset.

```
source("scripts/world_map.R")
```

Indoor dust microbiome research articles per country

Region

World region	n	Percentage
Europe & Central Asia	70	50.4
North America	54	38.8
East Asia & Pacific	41	29.5
Latin America & Caribbean	6	4.3
Sub-Saharan Africa	2	1.4
Middle East & North Africa	1	0.7
South Asia	1	0.7

Income group

Income classification	n	Percentage
High income	131	94.2
Upper middle income	40	28.8
Lower middle income	4	2.9

Topics

Allergy

Allergy as topic	n	Percentage
No	103	71.5
Yes	41	28.5

Environmental determinants

Environmental determinants as topic	n	Percentage
No	28	19.4
Yes	116	80.6

Dust collectors

Dust sample collector	n	Percentage
vacuum	79	54.9
active-sampler	23	16.0
swab	22	15.3
petri	16	11.1
EDC	15	10.4
HVAC	15	10.4
other	14	9.7

Type of dust collectors
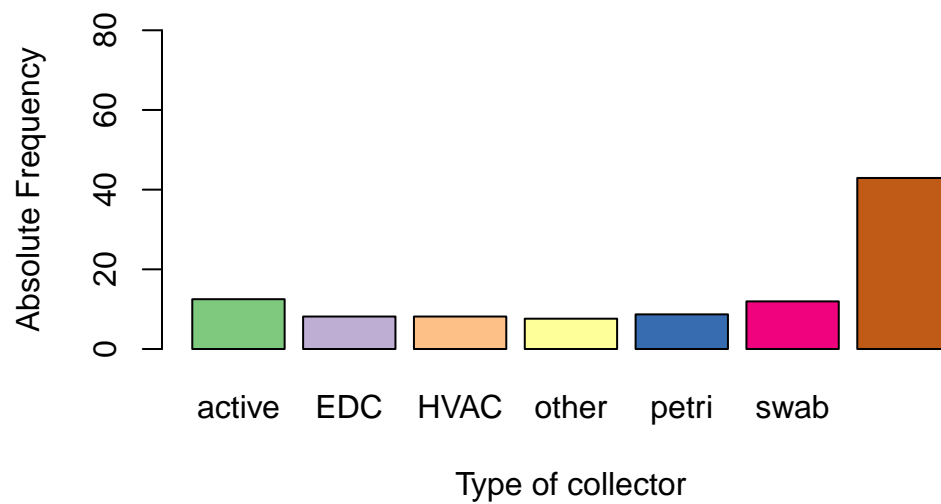
Descriptive vs causal

Causality	n	Percentage
Descriptive	82	56.9
Causal	62	43.1

Causal statements

Causal statements	n	Percentage
No	26	18.1
Yes	118	81.9

Confounding

Variable identification method	n	Percentage
Not applicable	28	19.4
Confounding seldom considered	44	30.6
Uninformed	28	19.4
p-value or model-based	9	6.2
beta-coeficient	5	3.5
Historical confounder	28	19.4
DAG	2	1.4

Variable selection
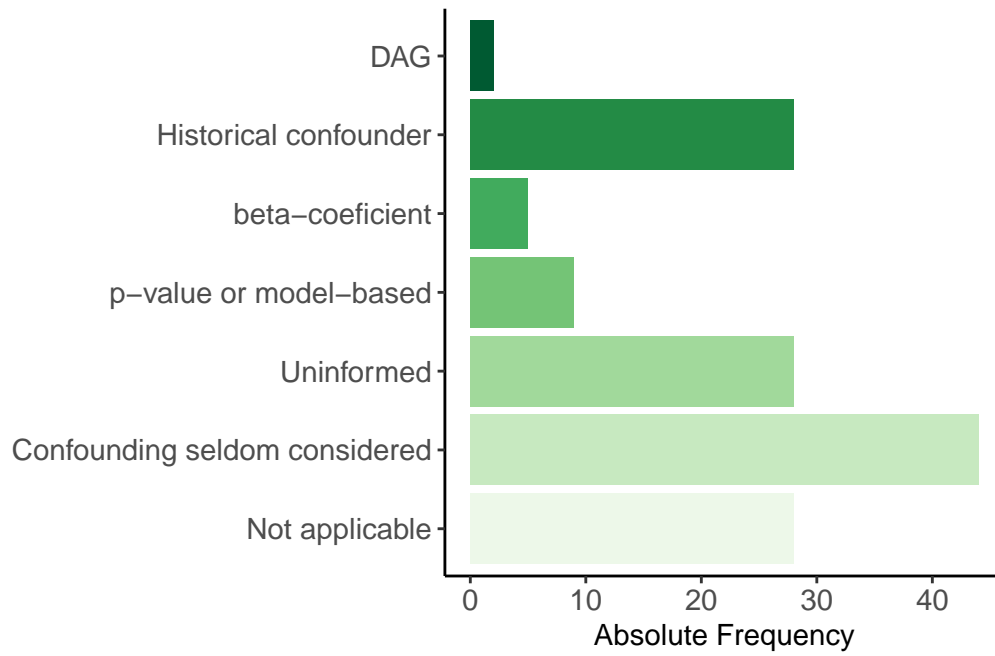
Environmental determinants

Category	n	Percentage
building characteristics	114	79.2
humidity/dampness	56	38.9
pets	51	35.4
air pollutants	42	29.2
building occupants	33	22.9
season	30	20.8
temperature	29	20.1
geography	28	19.4
ventilation	27	18.8
mold	23	16.0
allergen	21	14.6
green environment	19	13.2
urbanicity	19	13.2
smoking	16	11.1
chemicals	14	9.7
other	14	9.7
cleaning habits	13	9.0
outdoor microbiome	12	8.3
farming	10	6.9
infestation	9	6.2
furniture	6	4.2
heating	4	2.8
light	3	2.1
water sources	2	1.4

Table of characteristics of individual studies

The table of characteristics of studies with their citations will be saved as *Table_studies_included.csv*.

```
source("scripts/studies_included_table.R")
```

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