Self-reported Disease	Middle-aged ¹		Elderly ²		LLI-1 ³		LLI-2 ⁴	
	N	No. individuals (%)	N	No. individuals (%)	N	No. individuals (%)	N	No. individuals (%)
Cancer No Has now or has had	700	685 (97.9%) 15 (2.1%)	677	593 (87.6%) 84 (12.4%)	1,579	1,462 (92.6%) 117 (7.4%)	1,265	1,131 (89.4%) 134 (10.6%)
Angina Pectoris No Has now or has had	700	694 (99.1%) 6 (0.9%)	676	634 (93.8%) 42 (6.2%)	1,579	1,410 (89.3%) 169 (10.7%)	1,264	1,166 (92.2%) 98 (7.8%)
Heart Attack No Has now or has had	700	697 (99.6%) 3 (0.4%)	677	635 (93.8%) 42 (6.2%)	1,581	1,470 (93.0%) 111 (7.0%)	1,266	1,149 (90.8%) 117 (9.2%)
Heart Failure No Has now or has had	700	698 (99.7%) 2 (0.3%)	676	633 (93.6%) 43 (6.4%)	1,577	1,390 (88.1%) 187 (11.9%)	1,263	1,210 (95.8%) 53 (4.2%)
Hypertension No Has now or has had	700	612 (87.4%) 88 (12.6%)	676	493 (72.9%) 183 (27.1%)	1,567	1,246 (79.5%) 321 (20.5%)	1,261	836 (66.3%) 425 (33.7%)
Irregular Heart Rhythm No Has now or has had	698	654 (93.7%) 44 (6.3%)	677	591 (87.3%) 86 (12.7%)	1,580	1,265 (80.1%) 315 (19.9%)	1,264	975 (77.1%) 289 (22.9%)
Other Heart Problems No Has now or has had	700	693 (99.0%) 7 (1.0%)	675	636 (94.2%) 39 (5.8%)	1,579	1,452 (92.0%) 127 (8.0%)	1,259	1,131 (89.8%) 128 (10.2%)
Stroke No Has now or has had	700	692 (98.9%) 8 (1.1%)	677	639 (94.4%) 38 (5.6%)	1,580	1,425 (90.2%) 155 (9.8%)	1,270	1,118 (88.0%) 152 (12.0%)
Age-related Phenotype	Ν	No. individuals (%)	Ν	No. individuals (%)	N	No. individuals (%)	N	No. individuals (%)
ADL Disability Not disabled Moderately disabled Disabled	NA	NA NA NA	NA	NA NA NA	1,586	815 (51.4%) 586 (36.9%) 185 (11.7%)	1,266	613 (48.4%) 491 (38.8%) 162 (12.8%)
ADL Strength < 2 2-<3 ≥ 3	NA	NA NA NA	676	77 (11.4%) 130 (19.2%) 469 (69.4%)	1,571	865 (55.1%) 583 (37.1%) 123 (7.8%)	1,254	588 (46.9%) 419 (33.4%) 247 (19.7%)

Supplementary Table 1. Descriptives of self-reported diseases and age-related phenotypes investigated in the four study cohorts.

Chair Stand	NA		NA		1,488		1,250	
Cannot		NA		NA	-,	103 (6.9%)	-,	125 (10.0%)
Can, with use of arms		NA		NA		572 (38.4%)		558 (44.6%)
Can, without use of arms		NA		NA		813 (54.7%)		567 (45.4%)
Chair Stand, Timed*	682		421		NA		NA	
1 st quartile		171 (25.1%)		108 (25.7%)		NA		NA
2 nd quartile		170 (24.9%)		125 (29.7%)		NA		NA
3 rd quartile		171 (25.1%)		84 (19.9%)		NA		NA
4 th quartile		170 (24.9%)		104 (24.7%)		NA		NA
Depression Symptomatology	700		656		1,492		1,253	
1 st quartile		253 (36.2%)		206 (31.4%)		378 (25.4%)		324 (25.9%)
2 nd quartile		133 (19.0%)		139 (21.2%)		436 (29.2%)		314 (25.0%)
3 rd quartile		157 (22.4%)		175 (26.7%)		342 (22.9%)		343 (27.4%)
4 th quartile		157 (22.4%)		136 (20.7%)		336 (22.5%)		272 (21.7%)
Gait Speed	NA		NA		1,314		1,041	
Cannot walk		NA		NA		151 (11.5%)		186 (17.9%)
Speed ≤ 0.375 m/s		NA		NA		303 (23.1%)		196 (18.8%)
Speed > 0.375 m/s		NA		NA		860 (65.4%)		659 (63.3%)
MMSE	NA		657		1,522		1,246	
Severe impairment (0-17)		NA		26 (4.0%)		307 (20.2%)		218 (17.5%)
Mild impairment (18-22)		NA		68 (10.4%)		389 (25.5%)		281 (22.6%)
Normal (23-27)		NA		290 (44.1%)		618 (40.6%)		469 (37.6%)
Maximum (28-30)		NA		273 (41.5%)		208 (13.7%)		278 (22.3%)
Self-rated Health	700		661		1,526		1,265	
Very poor		4 (0.6%)		11 (1.7%)		26 (1.7%)		21 (1.7%)
Poor		27 (3.9%)		36 (5.4%)		128 (8.4%)		53 (4.2%)
Acceptable		84 (12.0%)		148 (22.4%)		499 (32.7%)		314 (24.8%)
Good		271 (38.7%)		245 (37.1%)		615 (40.3%)		525 (41.5%)
Excellent		314 (44.8%)		221 (33.4%)		258 (16.9%)		352 (27.8%)
Age-related Phenotype	Ν	Mean (SE)	N	Mean (SE)		Mean (SE)	Ν	Mean (SE)
Cognitive Composite Score	700	5.61 (0.12)	659	0.98 (0.13)	1,518	0.21 (0.09)	1,244	0.47 (0.10)
Grip Strength*	693	37.80 (0.47)	484	24.31 (0.39)	1,424	16.28 (0.17)	1,091	15.93 (0.20)

¹ Middle-aged refers to individuals from the Study of Middle-Aged Danish Twins (MADT). ² Elderly refers to individuals from the Longitudinal Study of Aging Danish Twins (LSADT). ³LLI-1: Long-lived individuals 1. ⁴LLI-2: Long-lived individuals 2. *In the elderly individuals these phenotypes were collected as part of the 1999 assessment of LSADT instead of the 1997 assessment. NA: Phenotype not available.