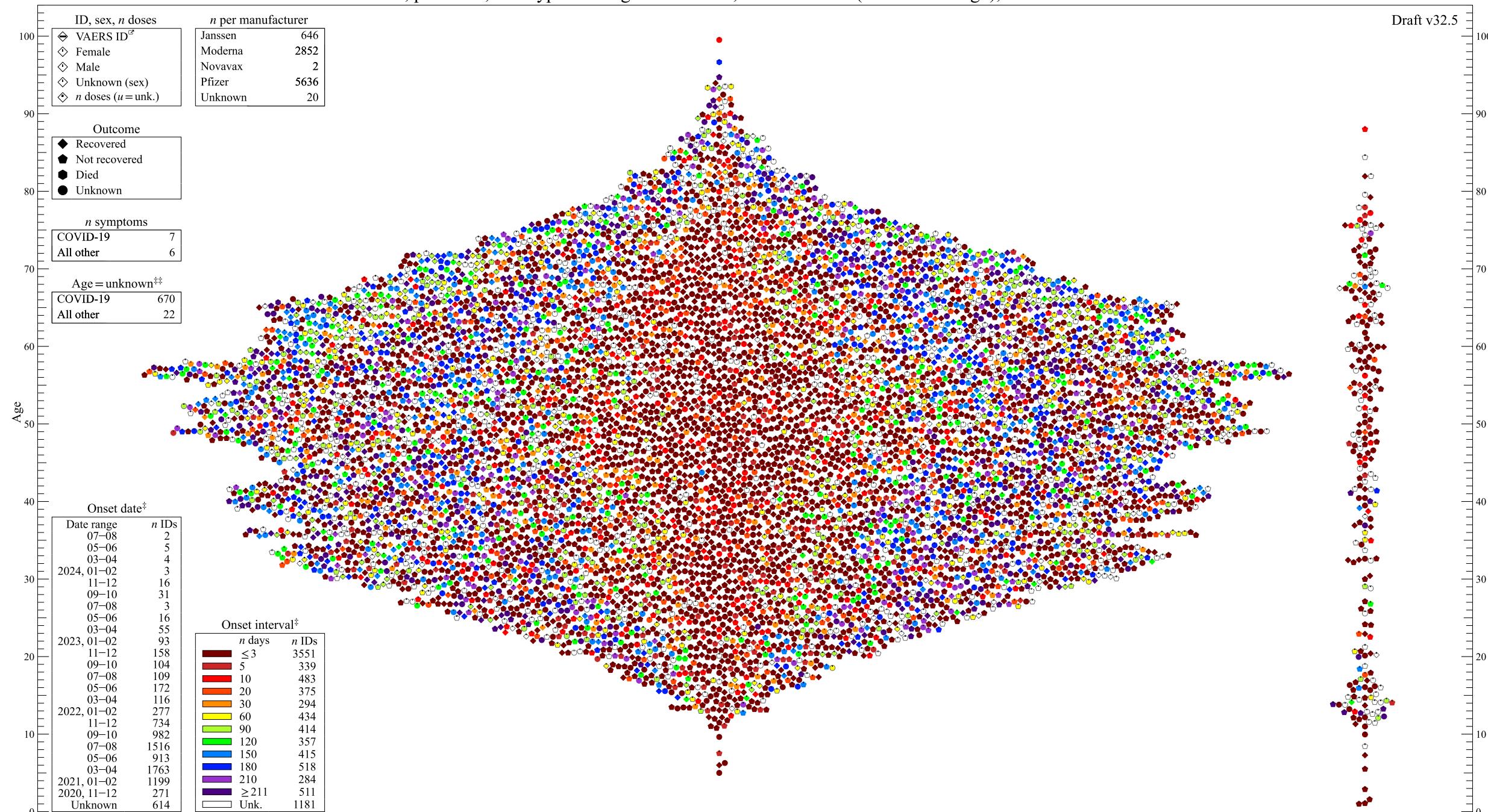


Anosmia, parosmia, and hyposmia: age distribution, VAERS data* (U.S. and foreign), 1990.07–2024.08.30[†]

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All COVID-19
2020.12.14–2024.08.30

All non-COVID-19
1990.07–2020.12.13

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| n VAERS IDs | 9156 | 276 |
| μ , Mean ^{‡‡} | 49.4 | 44.9 |
| \hat{x} , Median ^{‡‡} | 50.0 | 48.0 |
| σ , Standard deviation ^{‡‡} | 16.3 | 22.3 |
| γ , Skewness ^{‡‡} | -0.0 | -0.2 |
| n Hospitalized | 753 | 47 |
| n Life threatening | 147 | 13 |
| n Recovered | 2116 | 48 |
| n Not recovered | 4870 | 145 |
| n Died | 59 | 0 |

[†]Terms queried in SYMPTOM fields 1–5 include: anosmia, dysosmia, hyposmia, microsmia, parosmia, olfactory hallucination, olfactory nerve disorder, olfactory test abnormal, and phantosmia.

[‡]Onset of symptoms post vaccine. n IDs are all CV19.

^{‡‡}Natural language processing was used to extract age values from SYMPTOM TEXT and fill in missing data. Remaining reports with unknown age are neither plotted, nor included in calculations, but are included in subtotals. Symbols have a random adjustment within $\sim \pm 0.5$ yr. [‡]Symbols link to OpenVAERS.

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