

Electronic Supplementary Materials (ESM)

ESM-1— Overall and ethnicity-stratified analysis of the association between the composite sleep quality variable and type-2 diabetes risk reported in hazard ratios (95%CI), complete case analysis (n=2189)

Sleep variable	Person-years followed-up			Hazard ratio			
z_wSleep	Type-2 diabetes		Total	Model 1	Model 2	Model 3	P-value for interaction
	No	Yes					
All	30863	6509	37372	1.03 (0.94-1.13)	1.02 (0.93-1.11)	1.00 (0.92-1.10)	-
Europeans	18488	2427	20915	1.04 (0.88-1.22)	1.02 (0.87-1.20)	1.01 (0.86-1.18)	-
South-Asians	8862	3062	11924	1.06 (0.94-1.20)	1.02 (0.90-1.16)	1.03 (0.90-1.17)	0.980
African-Caribbeans	3513	1020	4533	0.95 (0.78-1.15)	0.96 (0.79-1.16)	0.89 (0.73-1.09)	0.209

Model 1: adjusted for age, sex, and ethnicity, socioeconomic position; **Model 2:** model 1 plus physical activity, and smoking status; **Model 3:** model 2 plus BMI; z_wSleep= standardised, composite wSleep score; P= p-values for interaction by ethnicity (ethnicity*sleep quality exposure), alpha threshold=0.10, Europeans as the reference group

ESM-2—Sensitivity analysis stratified by follow-up period (≤ 10 years or >10 years)

Sleep Variable	≤ 10 Years Follow-up	>10 Years Follow-up	P-value for interaction
Difficulty Falling Asleep			
Model 1	1.15 (0.72-1.82)	1.28 (0.97-1.68)	0.122
Model 2	1.12 (0.70-1.78)	1.24 (0.94-1.63)	0.116
Model 3	1.09 (0.68-1.75)	1.29 (0.98-1.71)	0.074
Early Morning Waking			
Model 1	0.92 (0.64-1.32)	1.19 (0.95-1.49)	0.005
Model 2	0.94 (0.65-1.34)	1.22 (0.97-1.53)	0.004
Model 3	0.93 (0.65-1.33)	1.18 (0.94-1.48)	0.004
Waking up Tired			
Model 1	1.07 (0.74-1.55)	0.75 (0.60-0.95)	0.575
Model 2	1.04 (0.71-1.51)	0.73 (0.58-0.92)	0.577
Model 3	1.04 (0.70-1.53)	0.73 (0.58-0.92)	0.482
Snoring			
Model 1	1.44 (1.02-2.03)	1.25 (1.00-1.55)	0.282
Model 2	1.43 (1.02-2.02)	1.23 (0.99-1.54)	0.272
Model 3	1.22 (0.86-1.72)	1.08 (0.87-1.35)	0.265

Model 1: adjusted for age, sex, and ethnicity, socioeconomic position; **Model 2:** model 1 plus physical activity, and smoking status; **Model 3:** model 2 plus BMI; P= p-values for interaction by follow-up period (*follow-up period*sleep quality exposure*)

ESM-3—Baseline characteristics of participants lost to follow-up (LTFU or had missing covariates (N=1993) and complete cases (N=2189)

	LTFU or missing covariates (N = 1993)	Complete cases (N = 2189)	P
Age at Baseline	52.2 (6.9)	51.9 (7.0)	0.073
Sex (Proportion male)	1,424 (71)	1703 (78)	0.001***
Ethnicity:			<0.001***
Europeans	992 (50)	1,199 (55)	
South-Asians	639 (32)	705 (32)	
African-Caribbeans,	362 (18)	285 (13)	
SEP (Years of education)	10.8 (3.1)	11.3 (3.1)	<0.001***
Physical Activity Score (MJ/wk)	10.6 (7.3)	10.9 (7.0)	0.243
Smoking Status			0.035*
Never smoker	1,062 (54)	1,111 (51)	
Ex-smoker	428 (22)	532 (24)	
Current smoker	493 (25)	546 (25)	
BMI	26.4 (4.0)	26.1 (3.9)	0.002**

Values represent means (SDs) or n (%), BMI = body mass index, SEP= socioeconomic position. Number of missing variables for LTFU or missing covariates group: Age at baseline(n=4); SEP(n=144); Smoking Status(n=10); BMI(n=3), P = p-value from either one-way ANOVA or Pearson's chi-squared test.