SWAN: A Multicenter, Multiethnic, Community-Based Cohort Study of Women and the Menopausal Transition

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**METHODS:** A cross-sectional survey of women aged 40-55 years was conducted at seven sites in the USA to determine eligibility for a community-based, multi-ethnic longitudinal study of the peri-menopause (The Study of Women Across the Nation, SWAN). Interview data were used to (i) determine the prevalence of self-reported POF overall and by ethnic group, and (ii). assess the association of POF with selected self-reported variables related to health. Cases of POF included only women with no discernible cause for POF. RESULTS: POF was reported by 1.1% (126/11 652) of women.