GEO database of NCBI
Before June 30, 2011
(N = 5945)

Select *Homo sapiens*

GEO database
(N = 774)

Key words: Breast cancer (tumor), survival

GEO database
(N = 38)

Exclude datasets without complete survival information

GEO database
(N = 9)

Select datasets with the same type of microarray chips

GEO database
(N = 5)

Exclude datasets with redundant study subjects

GEO database
(N = 4)