Assessment for eligibility:  
\( n = 2200 \)

Excluded: all patients not found eligible  
(25 %)

Eligibility for enrolment:  
\( n = 1650 \)

Excluded: all patients who do not agree to participate in study  
(40 %)

Enrolment in study:  
\( n = 990 \)

Excluded: all patients lost to follow-up or with incomplete data  
(20 %)

Data analysis after six-month follow-up:  
\( n = 792 \)