Patient focus group
Patients (Pat.foc) and Relatives (Rel.foc)

Invited by a magazine (N=12; 7 Pat.foc, 5 Rel.foc)
- Holidays 2
- Hospital appointments 2
- Illness 1

Invited by approaching patient associations (N=9; 8 Pat.foc, 1 Rel.foc)
- Breast cancer foundation 3
- Prostate cancer foundation 2
- Lung cancer foundation 2
- Multiple myeloma foundation 2

Drop-out (N=5; 3 Pat.foc, 2 Rel.foc)
- Holidays 2
- Hospital appointments 2
- Illness 1

Drop-out (N=3; all Pat.foc)
- Other engagements 2
- Illness 1

Total inclusion Patient focus groups (N=13; 9 Pat.foc, 4 Rel.foc)

Interviewed patients (Pat.int)
Selection in four Dutch hospitals (N=13)

Total inclusion Interviewed patients (N=5)

Drop-out (N=8)
A. Refused because:
- Felt too sick 2
- Deceased 1
- Felt it was too much 1
- Felt participation unnecessary 1
- Gave no reason 2
B. Gave informed consent, but:
- Felt too sick 1
- Chemotherapy was cancelled 1

Professional focus groups
(Nurse)
(Expert)
(Res)

Based on recommendations of stakeholders (N=20)
- Oncology nurses 6
- Expert of patient-provider communication / policy maker 8
- Researchers 6

Total inclusion Professional focus groups (N=20)

No drop-outs