

# IPF Asbestos Exposure Study (IPF AES) Flow Chart

## Cases

### Inclusion criteria:

- Male
- New diagnosis of IPF between 01.17 and 10.19

4800 new diagnoses of IPF per year at 25 specialist centres

Estimated 3000 potential cases at 17 participating centres  
randomised sampling from list of all potential cases

### Exclusion criteria:

- Unable to consent
- Worked outside of UK

460 Cases

## Controls

### Inclusion criteria:

- Male
- New outpatient clinic attendance between 01.17 and 10.19

1 age and sex matched controls for each case  
randomised sampling from all incident outpatient attendances occurring in the same month

### Exclusion criteria:

- Unable to consent
- Worked outside of UK
- Diagnosis of IPF

460 Controls

Telephone interview for historic asbestos exposure assessment and blood test for genetic susceptibility

Analysis