



Figure 32 Flow of patients through the study.

Table VIII Demographic and clinical characteristics.

	Included patients (n=932)
Male / female (%)	65.6 / 35.4
Smokers / non smokers (%)	32.6 / 67.4
Age (yr)	66.4±8.3
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	26.3±5.4
FEV <sub>1</sub> % predicted	50.8±20.5
GOLD 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 (%)	9.6 - 40.2 - 32.4 - 17.8
MMRC* 0 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 (%)	13.9 - 26.8 - 21.9 - 17.6 - 6.1

Data in the table are expressed as percentages, or means ± standard deviation. BMI: Body Mass Index, FEV<sub>1</sub>: forced expiratory volume in 1 s, GOLD: Global Initiative for Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease grade, MMRC: modified Medical Research Councils scale. \*MMRC data for 805 patients.