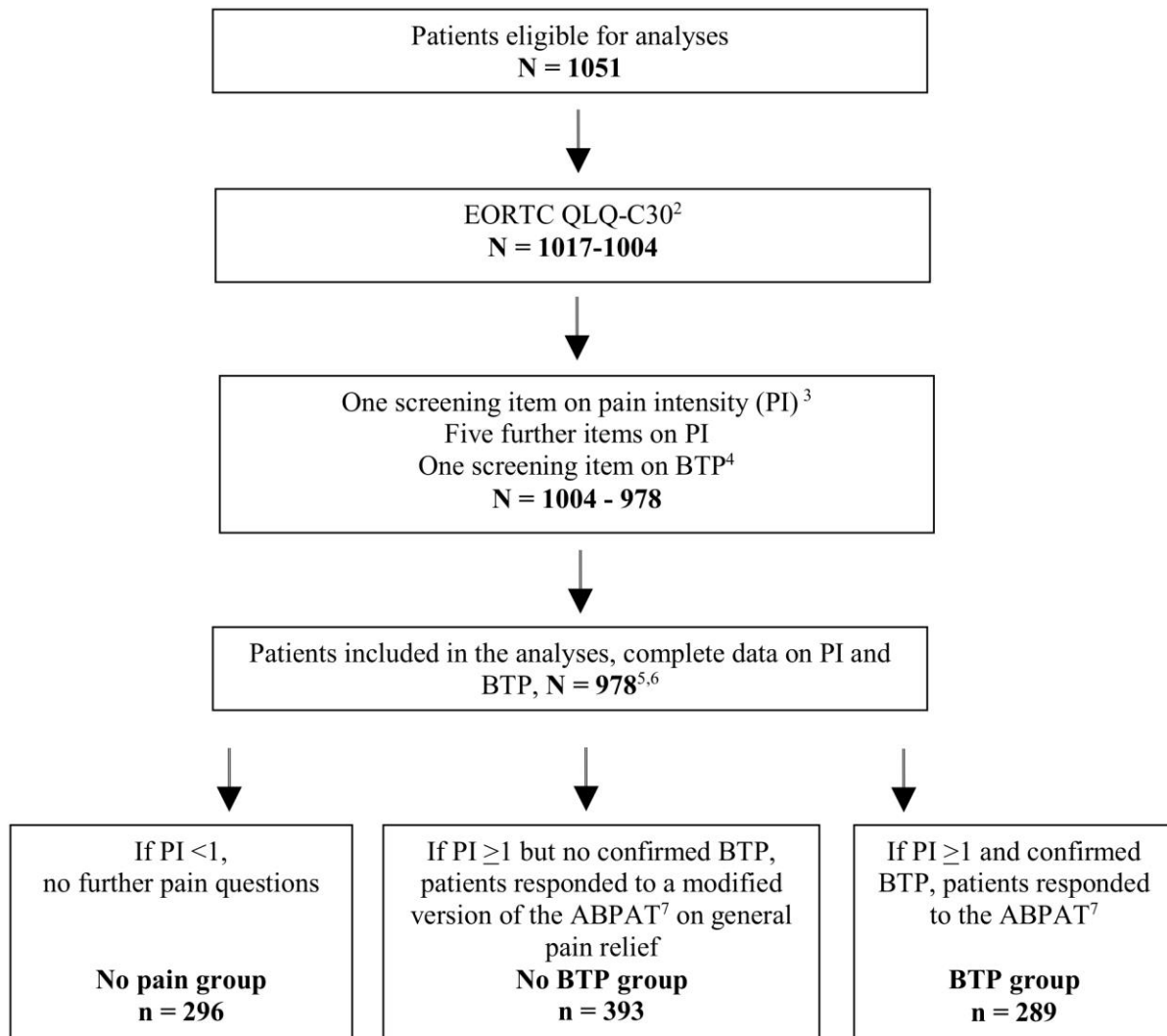


Figure 1. Overview of patients and data collection¹

The figure depicts only those questions used in this paper. A complete matrix of the EPCRC model and patient attrition at each step is reported previously [18,19].



² To be answered by all; European Organisation for Research and Treatment of Cancer Core Quality of Life Questionnaire [22]

³ To be answered by all; one PI screening item from Brief Pain Inventory [12]; “worst pain >1 last 24 hours, scored on a 0-10 numerical rating scale; *no pain –pain as bad as you can imagine*.”

⁴ Another five PI questions from the BPI; average pain last 24 hours, and worst and average pain last two days and last week;

⁵ Contingency question on BTP, presented to those who reported $PI \geq 1$ on the pain screening question: “Have you had flare-ups of breakthrough pain in the last 24 hours?” Dichotomized as Yes / No.

⁶ After the PI and BTP screening items, there were different paths automatically selected by the computer, that resulted in the following three groups; No pain group, no BTP group and BTP group

⁷ Alberta Breakthrough Pain Assessment Tool [14]