

1800 gynaecological cancer survivors identified. Treated with external pelvic radiotherapy (EPRT) between 1991-2003

n=977 did not meet the first eligibility criteria

Deceased between treatment and this stage	497
Born before 1927	436
Could not understand/read Swedish	23
Had recurrence	19
Had not received pelvic radiotherapy	2

An introduction letter was sent to the remaining 823 eligible survivors

n=92 did not want to participate

Reasons for non-participation	
No reason provided	29
Physical reason	21
Not reachable	17
Psychosocial reason	14
Psychological reason	9
Family members said no	2

731 survivors gave informed oral consent and was sent a questionnaire

n=81 survivors non-responders

Sent back an empty questionnaire	29
Did not return the questionnaire	52

650 (79%) survivors returned a completed questionnaire

n=403 survivors were excluded

≥65 years old	363
Had undergone an ostomy	20
Missing social security number	7
≥30 % missing values for	7
Deceased before follow-up in 2008	6

n = 247 survivors were included in this study