

**Identification of high risk major
surgical patients n = 300 (100%)**



**First randomisation group
allocation n = 204 (67%)**



Fluid loading n = 102

No fluid loading n = 102

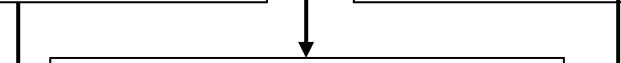


Operating theatre n = 204

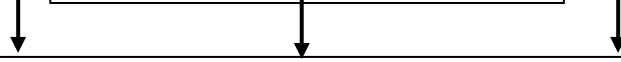


ICU care n = 87

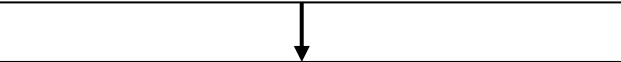
HDU care n = 87



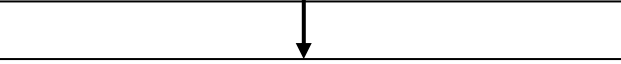
No ICU bed available n = 30



Ward care n = 204



Hospital discharge n = 204



6 month follow up n = 156