

Table 2.80. Epidemiological studies on smoking and cancer of the thyroid: main characteristics of study design

Reference Country and years of study	Cases and controls	Criteria for eligibility
Mack <i>et al.</i> (2003) Various countries	2725 cases and 4776 controls	A pooled analysis of 14 case-control studies conducted in the United States, Europe, and Asia
Nagano <i>et al.</i> (2007) Japan 1970-1986	362 cases and 362 matched controls	Case-control study, individually matched on year of city, sex, year of birth, and atomic bomb radiation exposure. Cases, <75 years of age, were obtained from the respective tumour registries of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Controls obtained from a Japanese cohort study; controls were residents of Hiroshima or Nagasaki