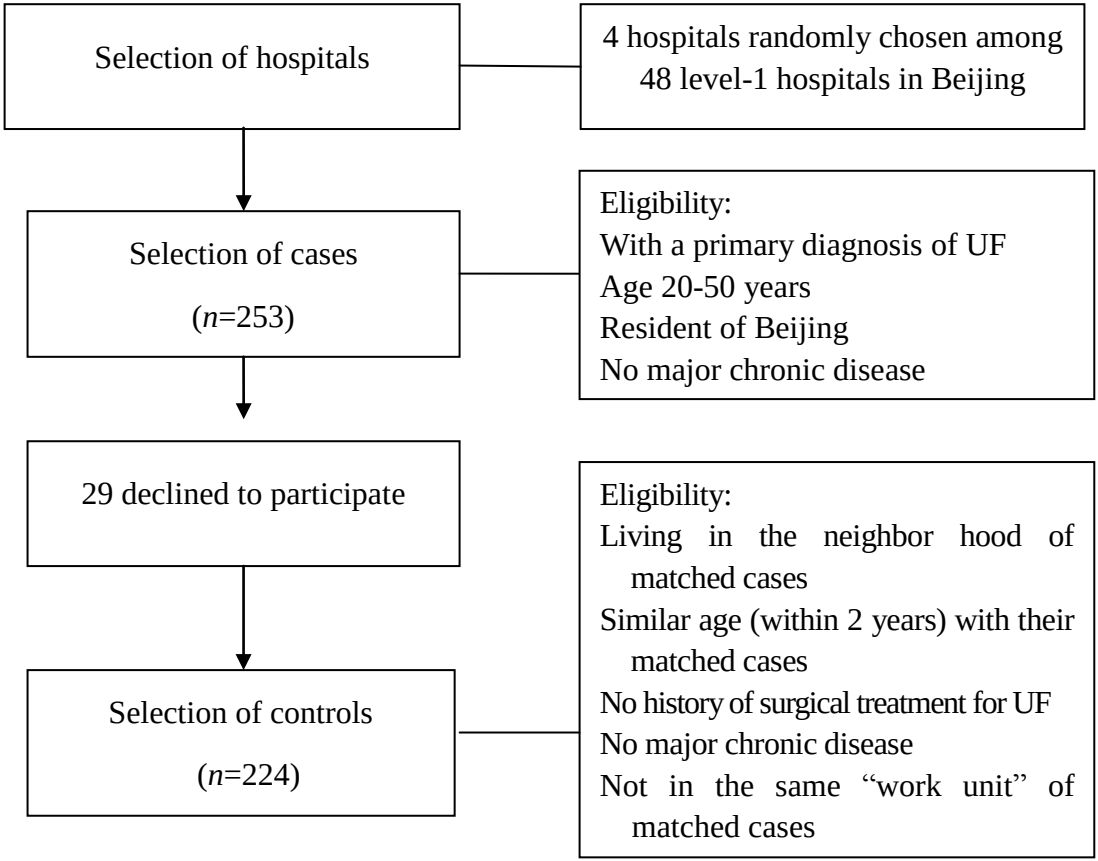
Selection of hospitals
4 hospitals randomly chosen among 48 level-1 hospitals in Beijing
Selection of cases
(n=253)
Eligibility:
With a primary diagnosis of UF
Age 20-50 years
Resident of Beijing
No major chronic disease
29 declined to participate
Selection of controls
(n=224)
Eligibility:
Living in the neighbor hood of matched cases
Similar age (within 2 years) with their matched cases
No history of surgical treatment for UF
No major chronic disease
Not in the same "work unit" of matched cases