

Additional Material for the paper *“Predictors of mortality of patients newly diagnosed with clinical type 2 diabetes: a 5-year follow up study”* by Niels de Fine Olivarius, Volkert Siersma, Anni B. S. Nielsen, Lars J. Hansen, Lotte Rosenvinge, Carl Erik Mogensen

Patient questionnaires

Information about smoking habits, angina pectoris, and intermittent claudication was given in London School of Hygiene questionnaires. The wording of the remaining patient questionnaires is indicated below.

Self-rated health

“In general, how would you rate your health at present?”

- excellent
- good
- fair
- poor
- very poor”

Leisure time physical activity

“Looking back upon the preceding year, what would you say is the best description of your leisure time physical activity?”

- training hard and competition sports regularly and several times a week
- recreational sports or heavy gardening at least 4 hours a week

- walking, bicycling or other light activities at least 4 hours a week (include Sunday excursions, light gardening and bicycling/walking to work)
- reading, watching television or other sedentary activities”

Cohabitation status

“Are you living alone?

- yes
- no”

Education

“Did you ever receive vocational training?

- yes, describe the training:_____
- no”

Cancer

“Do you now have or have you formerly had some of the diseases and conditions mentioned below?

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Cancer:

- yes, I have now, describe:_____
- yes, I have formerly had, describe:_____
- no, never”