

**Supplementary Table 1.** Staging the subjects using the 8th edition of the AJCC TNM classification

TNM8 stage at diagnosis	Total (n=106) <sup>a</sup>	Adenocarcinoma (n=49)	SqCC (n=57)	p-value
I	3 (2.8)	2 (4.0)	1 (1.8)	0.002
II	4 (3.7)	1 (2.0)	3 (5.3)	
IIIA	9 (8.5)	1 (2.0)	8 (14.0)	
IIIB	16 (15.1)	4 (8.2)	12 (21.1)	
IIIC	8 (7.5)	1 (2.0)	7 (12.3)	
IVA	41 (38.7)	20 (40.8)	21 (36.8)	
IVB	25 (23.6)	20 (40.8)	5 (8.8)	

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<sup>a</sup>Some patients in our study (n=22) did not have the TNM8 staging as they were included in the study prior to the publication of the TNM8 staging.