

## The Clinical Usefulness of $^{18}\text{F}$ -Fluorodeoxyglucose Positron Emission Tomography (PET) to Predict Oncologic Outcomes and PET-Based Radiotherapeutic Considerations in Locally Advanced Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma

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**Supplementary Table 1.** Univariate analysis of <sup>18</sup>F-FDG-PET parameters for progression-free survival using Cox proportional hazards model

| Variable                    | C-index | SE    | HR (95% CI)         | p-value |
|-----------------------------|---------|-------|---------------------|---------|
| SUVmax for whole tumor      | 0.616   | 0.056 | 1.05 (1.006-1.1)    | 0.027   |
| SUVmax for primary tumor    | 0.603   | 0.056 | 1.05 (0.999-1.09)   | 0.057   |
| SUVmax for nodal metastasis | 0.563   | 0.057 | 1.036 (0.978-1.098) | 0.226   |
| MTV for whole tumor         | 0.645   | 0.056 | 1.008 (1.002-1.015) | 0.011   |
| MTV for primary tumor       | 0.651   | 0.056 | 1.024 (1.011-1.037) | < 0.001 |
| MTV for nodal metastasis    | 0.503   | 0.057 | 1.002 (0.993-1.011) | 0.7     |
| TLG for whole tumor         | 0.666   | 0.056 | 1.002 (1.001-1.003) | < 0.001 |
| TLG for primary tumor       | 0.666   | 0.056 | 1.002 (1.001-1.004) | < 0.001 |
| TLG for nodal metastasis    | 0.522   | 0.057 | 1.001 (1-1.002)     | 0.172   |

<sup>18</sup>F-FDG-PET, <sup>18</sup>F-fludeoxyglucose-positron emission tomography; C-index, concordance index; SE, standard error; HR, hazard ratio; CI, confidence interval; SUVmax, maximum standardized uptake value; MTV, metabolic tumor volume; TLG, total lesion glycolysis.

**Supplementary Table 2.** Cut-points of total lesion glycolysis for whole and primary tumor volume

|                       | Cut-point | iAUC  | Bootstrapping method |            |
|-----------------------|-----------|-------|----------------------|------------|
|                       |           |       | Mean                 | 95% CI     |
| TLG for whole tumor   | 322.7     | 0.669 | 0.674                | 0.586-0.78 |
| TLG for primary tumor | 123.1     | 0.658 | 0.674                | 0.576-0.81 |

iAUC, incremental area under curve; CI, confidence interval; TLG, total lesion glycolysis.