

**S3 Table.** Tumor characteristics after NCRT (n=524)

Characteristics	No. (%)
yT category	
0	109 (20.8)
1	26 (5.0)
2	151 (28.8)
3	228 (43.5)
4	10 (1.9)
yN category	
0	361 (68.9)
1	121 (23.1)
2	42 (8.0)
mrTRG	
1	122 (23.3)
2	187 (35.7)
3	124 (23.7)
4	75 (14.3)
5	16 (3.0)
pTRG	
0	5 (0.9)
1	90 (17.2)
2	230 (43.9)
3	86 (16.4)
4	103 (19.7)
NA	10 (1.9)
Post-NCRT CEA	
≤ 3 ng/mL	448 (85.5)
> 3 ng/mL	74 (14.1)
NA	2 (0.4)

NCRT, neoadjuvant chemoradiation; mrTRG, magnetic resonance imaging assessment of tumor regression grade; pTRG, pathological tumor regression grade; NA, not applicable; CEA, carcinoembryonic antigen.