

Supplementary Table S4

Clinicopathological characteristics of the patients in highly and poorly licensed NK groups

Characteristics	Overall patients			Matched patients		
	Highly licensed NK group N = 46	Poorly licensed NK group N = 124	<i>P value</i>	Highly licensed NK group N = 46	Poorly licensed NK group N = 92	<i>P value</i>
Age *						
median (range)	66.5 (39 - 80)	65 (39 - 86)	0.155	66.5 (39 - 80)	65.5 (39 - 84)	0.318
Sex *						
male / female	36 / 10	93 / 31	0.656	36 / 10	70 / 22	0.775
Etiology *						
HBV / HCV / others	10 / 30 / 6	32 / 67 / 25		10 / 30 / 6	23 / 11 / 58	
HBV / others	10 / 36	32 / 92	0.581	10 / 36	23 / 69	0.670
HCV / others	30 / 16	67 / 57	0.188	30 / 16	58 / 34	0.802
non-viral / viral	6 / 40	25 / 99	0.272	6 / 40	11 / 81	0.855
Tumor number *						
median (range)	1 (1 - 4)	1 (1 - 20)	0.305	1 (1 - 4)	1 (1 - 20)	0.585
1 / ≥ 2	34 / 12	82 / 42	0.327	34 / 12	64 / 28	0.594
Maximum diameter * (mm)						
median (range)	26.5 (10 - 155)	28 (8 - 150)	0.901	26.5 (10 - 155)	27.5 (8 - 150)	0.930
≤ 50 / >50	40 / 6	106 / 18	0.805	40 / 6	80 / 12	1.000
Histological differentiation *						
G1+G2 / G3	35 / 11	114 / 10	0.184	49 / 7	84 / 8	0.256
Vascular invasion *						
negative / positive	31 / 15	89 / 35	0.580	31 / 15	64 / 28	0.795
Satellite lesion *						
negative / positive	36 / 10	103 / 21	0.477	36 / 10	76 / 16	0.542
Surgical margin (mm) *						
< 5 / ≥ 5	42 / 4	107 / 17	0.362	42 / 4	84 / 6	0.647
TNM stage						
I / II / IIIA	22 / 20 / 4	58 / 52 / 14	0.883	22 / 20 / 4	43 / 41 / 8	0.992

P value calculated by χ^2 test or Wilcoxon test.

* used for propensity matching as adjusting variables