



Supplementary Table 1: Clinicopathologic characteristics of patients

Characteristic	Number (%)
<b>Total</b>	42(100%)
<b>Age(years)</b>	
<55	18(43%)
≥55	24(57%)
<b>Gender</b>	
male	0(0%)
female	42(100%)
<b>Tumor size(cm)</b>	
≤ 3	20(48%)
>3	22(52%)
<b>TNM tumor stage</b>	
I+II	28(67%)
III+IV	14(33%)
<b>Degree of differentiation</b>	
Well and moderately	30(71%)
Poorly	12(29%)
<b>Lymph node metastasis</b>	
Yes	6 (14%)
No	36(86%)
<b>Neoadjuvant chemotherapy</b>	
Yes	15(36%)
No	27(64%)