

Additional file 7. Differences in survival for the four immune categories of VSCC. Kaplan-Meier curves showing overall survival (left) and the recurrence free period (RFP; right) for VSCC patients with immune-inflamed (red; n=5), - altered-excluded (orange; n=24), - altered-immunosuppressed (green; n=17) and -deserted (blue; n=19) T-cell infiltration patterns. Statistical significance of the survival distribution was analyzed by log-rank testing, and differences were considered significant when p<0.05. Although the difference between the four groups is not statistically significant, the combined group of immune-inflamed with immune-altered excluded displayed longer overall survival (p=0.02) than the combined group of patients with immune-altered suppressed and immune-deserted VSCC.