

Supplementary Information

Mutation signature analysis identifies increased mutation caused by tobacco smoke associated DNA adducts in larynx squamous cell carcinoma compared with oral cavity and oropharynx.

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Figure S1: COSMIC signature 4 contributes to a greater proportion of mutation burden in larynx compared with minor anatomical sub-sites of HNSCC. **A:** Pie charts show the proportion of mutations attributed to each of the six COSMIC mutation signatures identified in minor anatomical sub-sites of head and neck SCC. **B:** Box and whisker graphs show single nucleotide mutations attributed to signature 1, signature 2, signature 13, and signature 18, identified in each of the major subtypes of HNSCC. \bar{x} = mean.

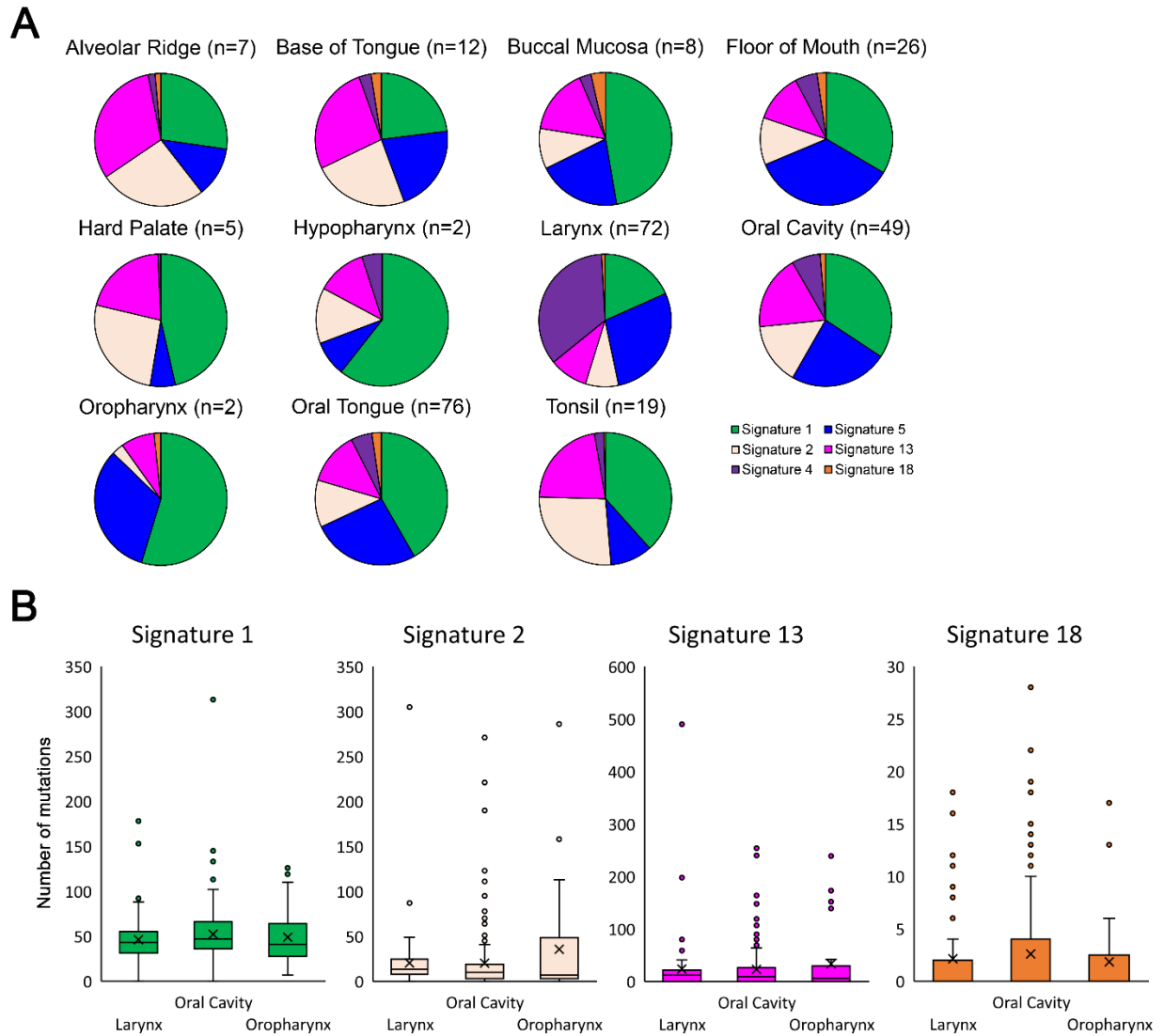


Figure S2: COSMIC signature 4 or total mutation burden is not influenced by HPV status in oral cavity and oropharynx SCC. **A:** Box and whisker graphs show total number of single nucleotide mutations as well as those attributed to COSMIC signature 4 and signature 5, identified in HNSCC stratified by presence or absence of HPV. **B:** Box and whisker graphs show total number of single nucleotide mutations as well as those attributed to signature 4 and signature 5, identified in oral cavity and oropharynx HNSCC stratified by presence (n=34) or absence (n=170) of HPV. **C:** Box and whisker graphs show total number of single nucleotide mutations as well as those attributed to signature 4 and signature 5, identified in oropharynx HNSCC stratified by presence or absence of HPV (HPV positive oropharynx n=22, HPV negative oropharynx n=11). x = mean. * = p < 0.05, ** = p < 0.01, *** = p < 0.001.

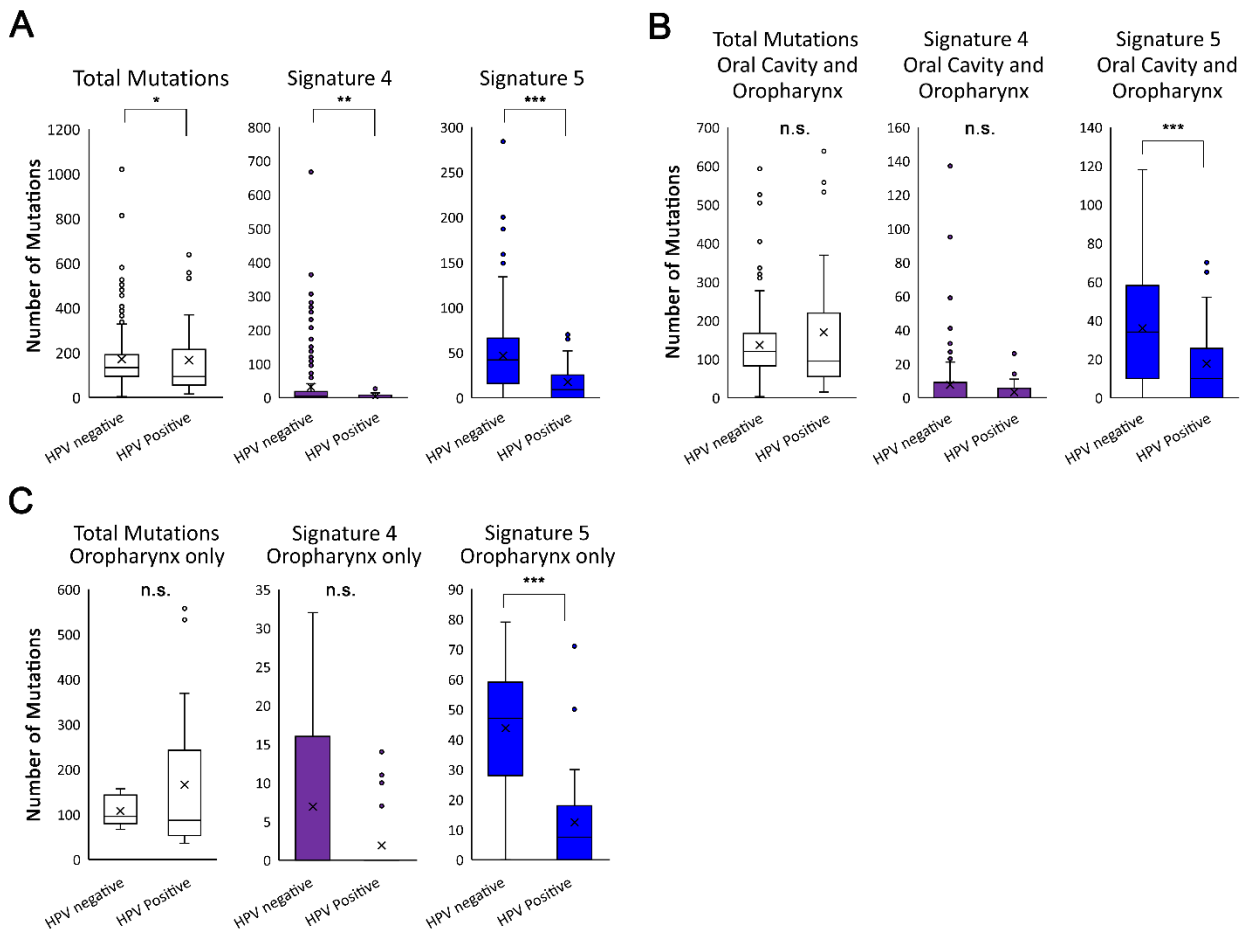


Figure S3: COSMIC signature analysis of 278 TCGA HNSCC using deconstructSigs

A: Overall mutation numbers assigned to COSMIC Signature 1, 2, 4, 5, 13, and 18, for 278 TCGA HNSCC stratified by major anatomical sub-site (larynx n=72, oral cavity n=171, oropharynx n=33, hypopharynx n=2) and ordered by mutation number (y-axis). **B:** Normalized signature contributions (signature weight, y-axis) for each tumor shown in **A**.

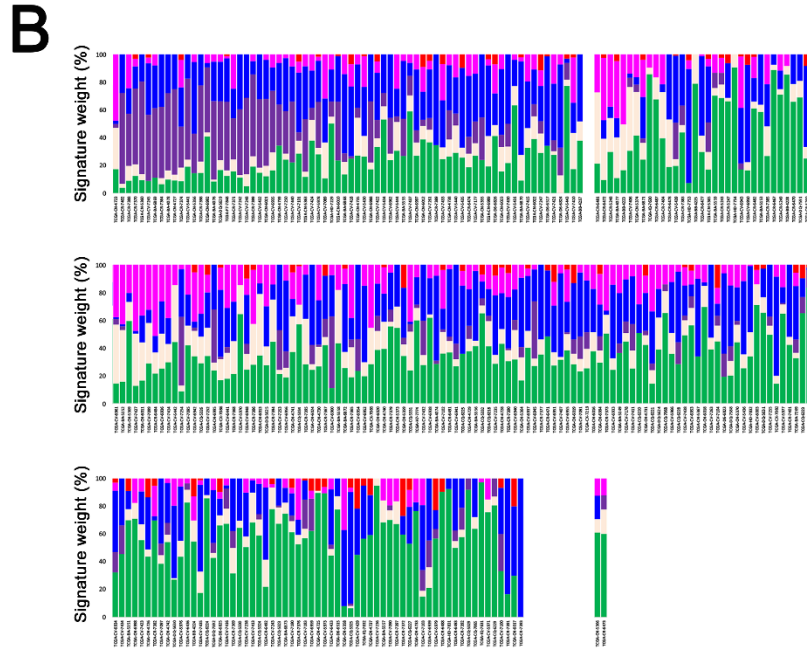
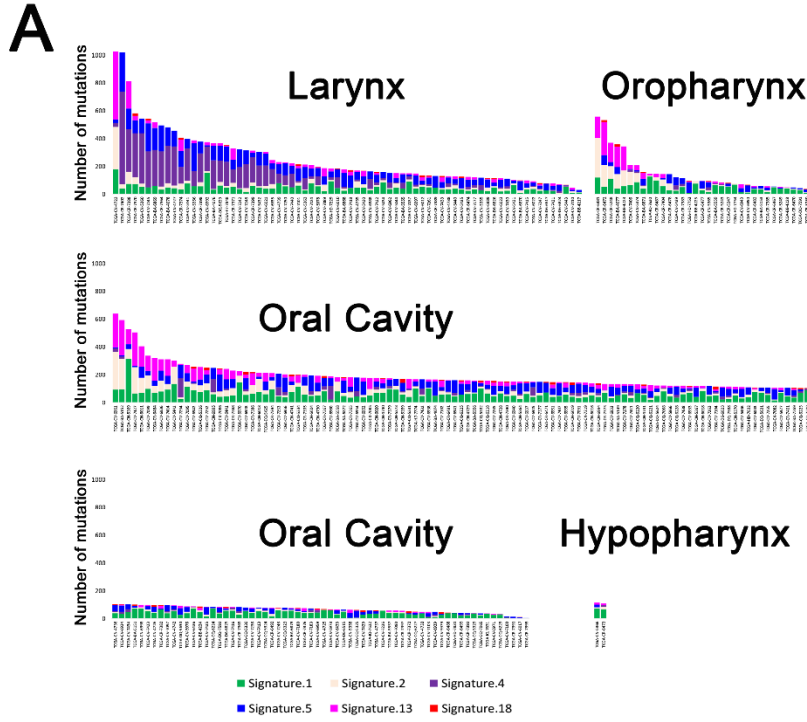


Figure S4: Signature 1 mutations shows positive correlation with age in all HNSCC. Graphs shows the number of signature 1 mutations (y-axis, top graph) or signature 5 mutations (y-axis, bottom graph) as determined by deconstructSigs and plotted against the age (x-axis) for all 278 TCGA HNSCC from non-sun exposed sites. These data are in line with previously published observations using the WTSI framework for mutation signature assignment²³. Pearson Correlation r and p values given.

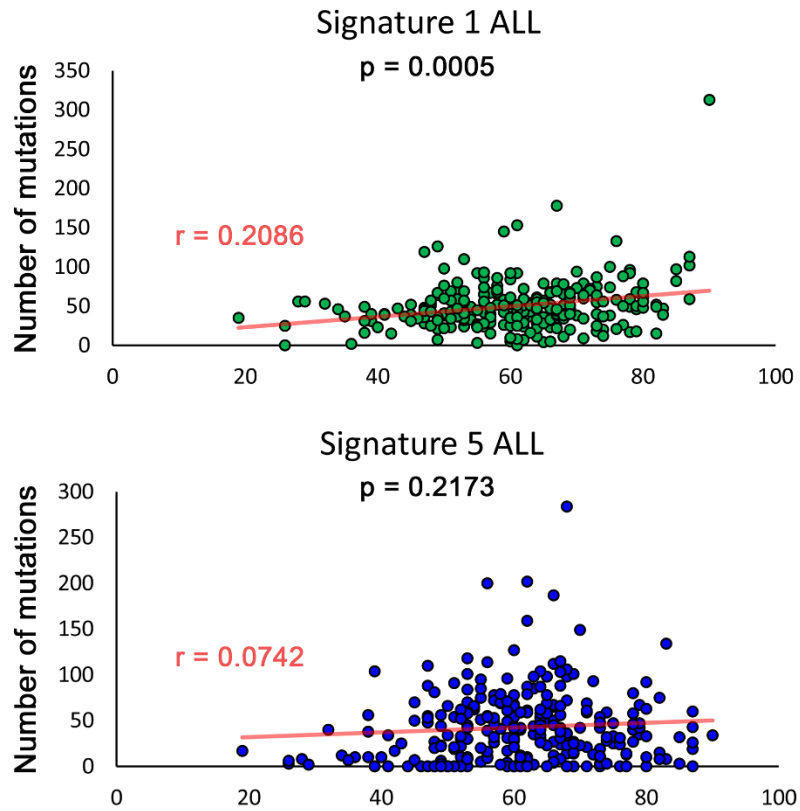


Figure S6: **A:** Pie charts show percentage of signature assignment using either the Wellcome Trust Sanger Institute (WTSI) framework or deconstructSigs for all 279 TCGA HNSCC samples. **B:** Comparison of deconstructSig (x-axis) with WTSI signature weights. **C:** Box and whisker graphs show total number of single nucleotide mutations attributed to COSMIC mutation signatures using WTSI framework for each of the major sub-site of HNSCC. **D:** Total mutations stratified by the presence (positive) or absence (negative) of signature 4 mutations identified by the WTSI framework. x = mean. ** = $p < 0.01$, *** = $p < 0.001$.

