S\_Table 1 Characteristics of nasopharyngeal carcinoma patients

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| Characteristic | Number | Percentage (%) |
| Male  Female | 393  135 | 74.4  25.6 |
| Age, yr  Median (range) | 46 (18-77) | -- |
| T- stage  T1  T2  T3  T4  Tx | 47  241  153  80  7 | 8.9  45.6  29.0  15.2  1.3 |
| N- stage  N0  N1  N2  N3  Nx | 109  141  197  74  7 | 20.6  26.7  37.3  14.0  1.3 |
| M- stage  M0  M1  Mx | 501  20  7 | 94.9  3.8  1.3 |
| AJCC/ UICC stage  I  II  III  IVa  IVb  x | 10  104  251  135  17  11 | 1.9  19.7  47.5  25.6  3.2  2.1 |
| WHO histologic type  I  II  III | 9  39  480 | 1.7  7.4  90.9 |
| KPS  <80  >=80 | 10  518 | 1.9  98.1 |
| Pre-treatment NLR | 2.81 (0.08-1458.33) | -- |
| NLR-trend value | 0.81 (10.59-155.73) | -- |

KPS: Karnofsky Performance Scale; x: unknown