## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## Appendix 1: Information about patient characteristics and missing values and the effect of multiple-imputation on the estimates of logistic regression models

Table A1: Performance status at diagnosis across patient characteristics, before and after imputation

		Performance status					
Patient characteristic		0	1	2	3	4	Unknown
Tumour	Oesophagus	27%	20%	13%	9%	2%	29%
ramour	Stomach	21%	20%	15%	14%	3%	27%
Gender	Female	21%	20%	15%	12%	3%	29%
	Male	27%	20%	13%	10%	2%	28%
Age (years)	Under 55	46%	17%	7%	4%	1%	26%
	55 to 64	42%	20%	8%	4%	1%	26%
	65 to 74	28%	24%	13%	8%	1%	27%
	75 to 84	15%	21%	18%	13%	3%	30%
	85 & over	6%	12%	17%	25%	6%	33%
Index of	1 (Least)	28%	18%	11%	9%	2%	32%
Multiple	2	27%	19%	12%	9%	3%	30%
Deprivation	3	26%	20%	13%	10%	2%	29%
	4	23%	22%	15%	11%	2%	26%
	5 (Most)	22%	21%	17%	13%	3%	25%
Comorbidities	0	28%	16%	9%	7%	1%	38%
	1	25%	26%	17%	12%	3%	17%
	2	17%	24%	22%	18%	4%	15%
	3 or more	9%	23%	25%	24%	4%	15%
Performance sta	atus distribution						
Before imputation (all)		25%	20%	14%	11%	2%	28%
Before imputation (known)		35%	28%	19%	15%	3%	
Imputed values		35%	28%	19%	14%	3%	

Table A2: Pre-treatment (clinical) stage across patient characteristics, before and after imputation

		Pre-treatment stage					
Patient characteristic		1	2	3	4	Unknown	
Tumaur	Occophogue	20/	1.40/	100/	260/	270/	
Tumour	Oesophagus	3%	14%	19%	26%	37%	
	Stomach	11%	8%	11%	29%	42%	
Gender	Female	6%	12%	15%	25%	42%	
	Male	5%	13%	17%	28%	37%	
Age (years)	Under 55	7%	11%	18%	33%	31%	
, .go (, oa. o,	55 to 64	5%	14%	20%	29%	32%	
	65 to 74	6%	14%	18%	27%	35%	
	75 to 84	6%	12%	14%	27%	41%	
	85 & over	5%	8%	10%	19%	57%	
Index of	1 (Least)	5%	12%	16%	28%	39%	
Multiple	2	6%	13%	16%	26%	38%	
Deprivation	3	6%	13%	16%	26%	40%	
_ <b></b>	4	6%	13%	15%	27%	39%	
	5 (Most)	6%	11%	17%	28%	38%	
Comorbidities	0	5%	11%	15%	27%	42%	
	1	6%	14%	19%	28%	34%	
	2	7%	17%	17%	25%	34%	
	3 or more	11%	15%	16%	24%	34%	
Performance	0	8%	17%	24%	22%	29%	
Status	1	6%	16%	19%	29%	30%	
	2	5%	12%	16%	33%	34%	
	3	5%	9%	10%	35%	41%	
	4	4%	8%	5%	35%	47%	
	Unknown	4%	8%	11%	23%	54%	
Pre-treatment S	Stage distribution						
Before imputation (all)		6%	12%	16%	27%	39%	
Before imputation (known)		9%	20%	27%	44%		
Imputed values		9%	20%	26%	45%		

Table A3: Results of logistic regression models for association between patient characteristics and odds of patients having a curative treatment plan

		Odds ratios of coefficients in regression model				
		Unadjusted	Basic model	Model with imputed data	Complete case analysis	
Route to	Urgent GP referral	1	1	1	1	
Diagnosis	Non-urgent GP referral	1.19	1.16	1.02	1.00	
	Emergency admission	0.36	0.43	0.62	0.68	
	Other hospital referral	1.51	1.53	1.38	1.30	
Tumour	Oesophagus		1	1	1	
	Stomach		1.19	1.34	1.63	
Gender	Female		1	1	1	
	Male		1.16	1.19	1.31	
Age (years)	Under 55		1.21	1.14	1.37	
	55 to 64		1.34	1.25	1.48	
	65 to 74		1	1	1	
	75 to 84		0.41	0.43	0.34	
	85 & over		0.07	0.08	0.08	
Index of	1 (Least)		1	1	1	
Multiple	2		1.10	1.09	1.12	
Deprivation	3		0.93	0.92	0.90	
	4		0.96	0.98	1.06	
	5 (Most)		0.82	0.91	0.93	
No. of comorbid	lities		0.92	0.92	0.82	
Performance	0			1	1	
Status	1			0.56	0.49	
	2			0.28	0.18	
	3 or 4			0.10	0.03	
Pre-treatment	1			2.01	3.22	
Stage	2			1.62	2.23	
	3			1	1	
	4			0.15	0.04	
Area under the	curve		0.72	0.86	0.92	

Table A4: Results of logistic regression models for association between patient characteristics and odds of patients surviving one year

		Odds ratios of coefficients in regression model				
		Unadjusted	Basic model	Model with imputed data	Complete case analysis	
Route to	Urgent GP referral	1	1	1	1	
Diagnosis	Non-urgent GP referral	1.25	1.23	1.11	1.12	
	Emergency admission	0.48	0.55	0.78	0.85	
	Other hospital referral	1.49	1.48	1.33	1.48	
Tumour	Oesophagus		1	1	1	
	Stomach		1.09	1.11	1.11	
Gender	Female		1	1	1	
	Male		1.03	1.01	0.98	
Age (years)	Under 55		1.24	1.14	1.12	
	55 to 64		1.29	1.18	1.16	
	65 to 74		1	1	1	
	75 to 84		0.58	0.68	0.66	
	85 & over		0.34	0.47	0.53	
Index of	1 (Least)		1	1	1	
Multiple	2		1.10	1.10	1.19	
Deprivation	3		1.06	1.10	1.11	
	4		0.98	1.02	1.14	
	5 (Most)		0.88	0.99	1.02	
No. of comorbid	lities		1.01	1.03	1.02	
Performance	0			1	1	
Status	1			0.58	0.59	
	2			0.34	0.33	
	3 or 4			0.18	0.14	
Pre-treatment	1			2.92	3.37	
Stage	2			1.70	1.64	
	3			1	1	
	4			0.31	0.30	
Area under the	curve		0.65	0.79	0.80	