

Stage IV Major Salivary Gland Cancer AJCC v7

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Stage IV includes: IVA (T 4a, N0, M0); (T 4a, N1, M0); (T 1, N2, M0); (T 2, N2, M0); (T 3, N2, M0); (T 4a, N2, M0); IVB (T 4b, Any N, M0); (Any T, N3, M0); IVC (Any T, Any N, M1). T 4a: Moderately advanced disease. Tumor invades skin, mandible, ear canal, and/or facial nerve. T 1: Tumor measuring 2 cm or less in greatest dimension without extraparenchymal extension. Extraparenchymal extension is clinical or macroscopic evidence of invasion of soft tissues. Microscopic evidence alone does not constitute extraparenchymal extension for classification purposes. T 2: Tumor measuring more than 2 cm, but not more than 4 cm in greatest dimension without extraparenchymal extension. T 3: Tumor measuring more than 4 cm in greatest dimension, and/or tumor having extraparenchymal extension. T 4b: Very advanced disease. Tumor invades skull base and/or pterygoid plates and/or encases carotid artery. N0: No regional lymph node metastasis. N1: Metastasis in a single ipsilateral lymph node, 3 cm or less in greatest dimension. N2: Metastasis in a single ipsilateral lymph node, more than 3 cm but not more than 6 cm in greatest dimension, or in multiple ipsilateral lymph nodes, none more than 6 cm in greatest dimension, or in bilateral or contralateral lymph nodes, none more than 6 cm in greatest dimension. N3: Metastasis in a lymph node, more than 6 cm in greatest dimension. M0: No distant metastasis. M1: Distant metastasis. (AJCC 7th ed.)