

Table S2. Association of NT5DC2 protein expression with tumor grade.

Protein Expression Cohort	NT5DC2 Protein Expression	Low Grade (G1/2)		High Grade (G3/4)		<i>p</i> -Value *
		n	in %	n	in %	
Overall cohort	Low (IRS 0-3)	42	53.2 %	65	38.2 %	<i>p</i> = 0.029
	High (IRS 4-12)	37	46.8 %	105	61.8 %	
SCC	Low (IRS 0-3)	22	68.8 %	33	37.1 %	<i>p</i> = 0.003
	High (IRS 4-12)	10	31.3 %	56	62.9 %	
ADC	Low (IRS 0-3)	19	42.2 %	18	40.9 %	<i>p</i> = 1.000
	High (IRS 4-12)	26	57.8 %	26	59.1 %	

SCC: squamous cell carcinoma, ADC: adenocarcinoma, * *p*-values deriving the Fisher's exact test.