Cytokeratin 17 mRNA expression has potential for diagnostic marker of oral squamous cell carcinoma

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Owing to a technical problem, data in Table 2 was incorrect. The revised version of Table 2 is given here.

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Table 2 Association between CK expressions and clinicopathological parameters in all patients with OSCC

Variables	Number of cases	Number of positive cases ^a			Mean value of CK mRNA RQ		
		CK 17	CK 19	CK 20	CK 17	CK 19	CK 20
Total number	56	53 (94.6%)	18 (32.1%)	7 (12.5%)	12.38 ± 5.67	4.40 ± 5.23	2.74 ± 2.63
Tumor size							
1	9	8	0	0	11.54 ± 5.43	0.47 ± 0.95	1.24 ± 1.76
2	15	15	4	3	15.55 ± 6.23	2.54 ± 2.14	4.02 ± 3.68
3	5	5	3	1	13.02 ± 5.00	11.44 ± 7.81	ND
4	27	25	11	3	10.77 ± 5.03	4.86 ± 5.29	2.50 ± 2.39
1 + 2	24	23	4	4	14.05 ± 6.15	1.85 ± 2.05	3.23 ± 3.38
3 + 4	32	30	14 (<i>P</i> < 0.05) ^b		11.12 ± 5.01	5.68 ± 5.88	2.52 ± 2.30
State of lymph node							
Positive (1 + 2)	31	31 (<i>P</i> < 0.05)	13	7 (<i>P</i> < 0.03)	13.18 ± 5.69	3.28 ± 4.69	1.83 ± 2.52
Negative (0)	25	22	5	0	11.38 ± 5.60	2.44 ± 4.64	0.63 ± 0.73
Clinical stage ^c							
Early (I + II)	16	15	2	1	12.11 ± 5.52	1.80 ± 1.96	3.87 ± 4.73
Late (III + IV)	40	38	16 (<i>P</i> < 0.05)	6	12.49 ± 5.79	5.03 ± 5.60	2.56 ± 2.31
Differentiation grade ^d							
Well (G1)	5	5	0	0	13.72 ± 5.94	ND	ND
Moderate (G2)	35	34	9	5	12.65 ± 5.35	3.59 ± 3.60	2.49 ± 2.28
Poor (G3)	16	14	9 (<i>P</i> < 0.03)	2	11.70 ± 6.54	6.03 ± 7.47	3.41 ± 3.56

ND not detected

^a Value of CK mRNA RQ was defined as positive if the value was higher more than 2.5 and as negative if less than 2.5, as described in the Materials and methods section

^b The statistical significance of the association was determined by the chi-square test

^c The clinical stages were determined according to the International Union Against Cancer (UICC)

^d The histological differentiation grades were determined according to the WHO