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List of Abbreviations

ESCC	: Esophageal squamous cell carcinoma
PS	: Performance Status
NACT	: Neo adjuvant chemotherapy
NCI	: National Cancer Institute
USA	: United States of America
NEJM	: New England Journal of Medicine
HPV	: Human papilloma virus
FDA	: Food and Drug Administration
GE	: Gastro-esophageal
TNM	: Tumor- node-metastasis
AJCC	: American Joint Commission on Cancer
AAR	: Age adjusted rate
ALDH1	: Aldehyde dehydrogenase 1
HER2	: Human epidermal growth factor receptor-2
GPS	: Glasgow Prognostic Score
ALT	: Alalanine transaminase
AST	: Aspartate transaminase
ALKP	: Alkaline phosphatase
NCCN	: National Cancer Care Network
μ g	: Microgram
dL	: decilitre
EDTA	: Ethylene diamine tetra acetic acid
PBS	: Phosphate buffered saline
IHC	: Immunohistochemistry
CT	: Computed tomography