

THYMUS TUMOURS DATA SHEET (ICD10 C37.9)

UICC TNM 9th EDITION STAGING SUMMARY

Stage Group	T stage	N stage	M stage
Stage I	T1a, T1b	N0	M0
Stage II	T2	N0	M0
Stage IIIA	T3	N0	M0
Stage IIIB	T4	N0	M0
Stage IVA	Any T	N1	M0
	Any T	N0, N1	M1a
Stage IVB	Any T	N2	M0, M1a
	Any T	Any N	M1b

TNM Clinical Classification

T – Primary Tumour

cTX	Primary tumour cannot be assessed
cT0	No evidence of primary tumour
cT1	Tumour limited to the thymus, with or without encapsulation, or directly invades the mediastinal pleura but does not involve any other mediastinal structure. cT1a - 5 cm or less in its greatest dimension cT1b – larger than 5 cm in its greatest dimension
cT2	Tumour with direct involvement of the pericardium (partial or full thickness), the lung or the phrenic nerve.
cT3	Tumour directly invades any of the following: the brachiocephalic vein, the superior vena cava, the chest wall or extrapericardial pulmonary arteries or veins.
cT4	Tumour with direct invasion into any of the aorta (ascending, arch or descending), arch vessels, intrapericardial pulmonary artery or veins, the myocardium, the trachea or the oesophagus.

N – Regional Lymph Nodes

cNX	Regional lymph nodes cannot be assessed
cN0	No regional lymph node metastasis

For more detailed information regarding TNM staging, please see pages 118-120 of the UICC TNM 9 book

cN1	Metastasis in anterior (perithymic) lymph nodes
cN2	Metastasis in deep intrathoracic or cervical lymph nodes, including the paratracheal, subcarinal, aortopulmonary window, hilar, jugular and supraclavicular nodes.

M – Distant Metastasis	
cM0	No distant metastasis
cM1	Distant metastasis cM1a - Separate pleural or pericardial nodule(s) cM1b – Pulmonary intraparenchymal nodule(s) or distant metastases

TNM Pathological Classification
<i>The pT and pN categories correspond to the cT and cN categories</i>