

**Additional Table 1. The results of publication bias**

<b>Comparison</b>	<b><i>P</i> (Begg's Test, continuity corrected)</b>	<b><i>P</i> (Egger's test)</b>
<b>Response rate</b>	1	0.727
<b>Disease control rate</b>	0.536	0.548
<b>HR for OS</b>	0.631	0.139
<b>HR for PFS</b>	1	0.0002
<b>CTCs change</b>		
<b>OS</b>	1	0.679
<b>PFS</b>	0.296	0.277

NOTE. HR: hazard ratio; OS: overall survival; PFS: progression free survival; CTCs: circulating tumor cells