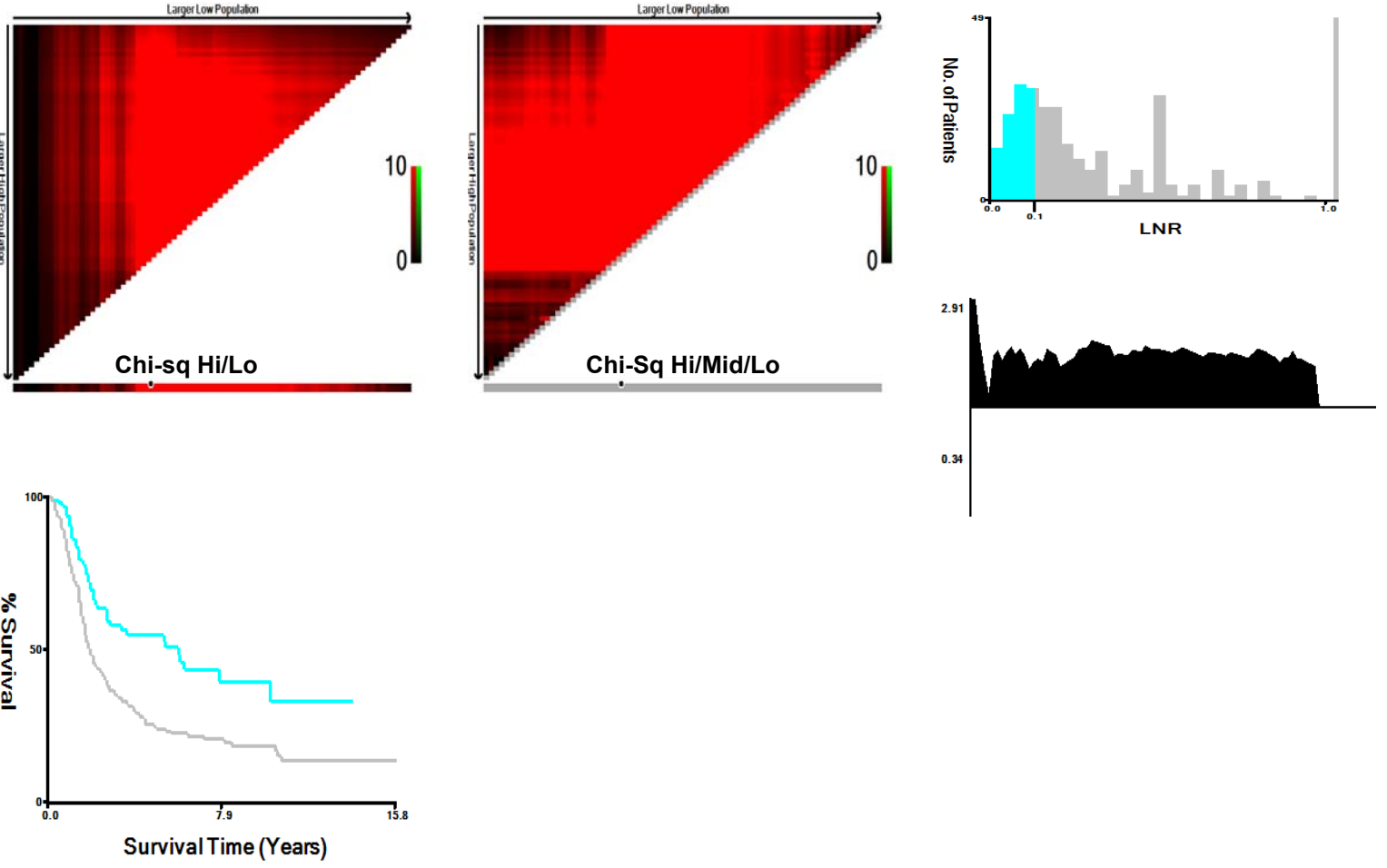


Supplementary figure 2: The X-tile software determined the optimal cutoff point of LNR. LNR: lymph node ratio



Subpopulation Cutpoints:

Pt No	% Total	Events	Rate	Rank	Range
95	30.06	45	47.37	0 to 27	0.02 thru 0.14
221	69.94	161	72.85	28 to 78	0.15 thru 1.00
316	100.00	206	65.19	0 to 78	0.02 thru 1.00

Statistics:

Variable	Value	
Miller-Seigmund P	0.0019	Max: 0.0019
Chi-sq Hi/Lo	16.4216	Max: 16.4216
Relative Risk 1 vs 2	1.00 / 1.54	