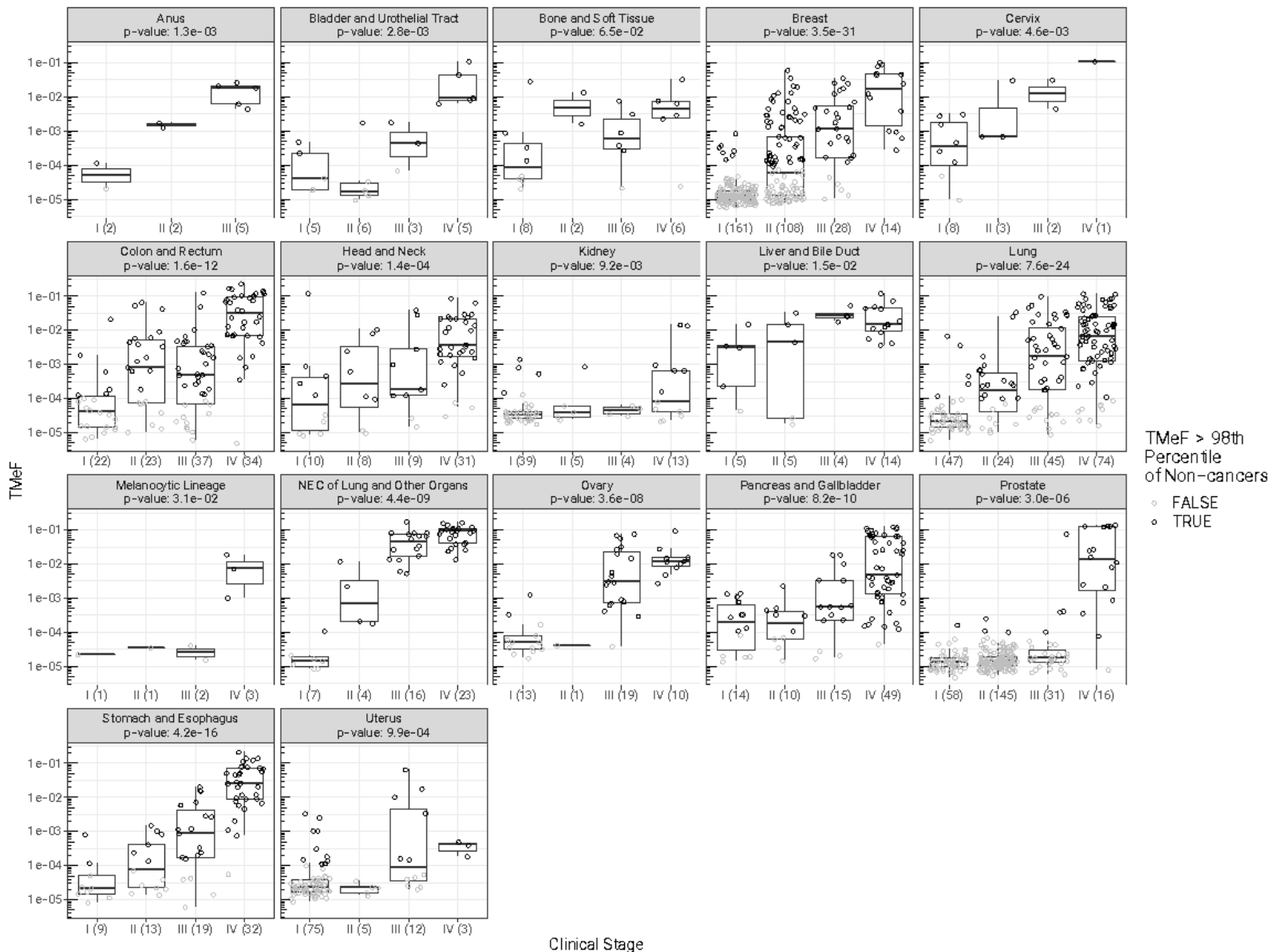
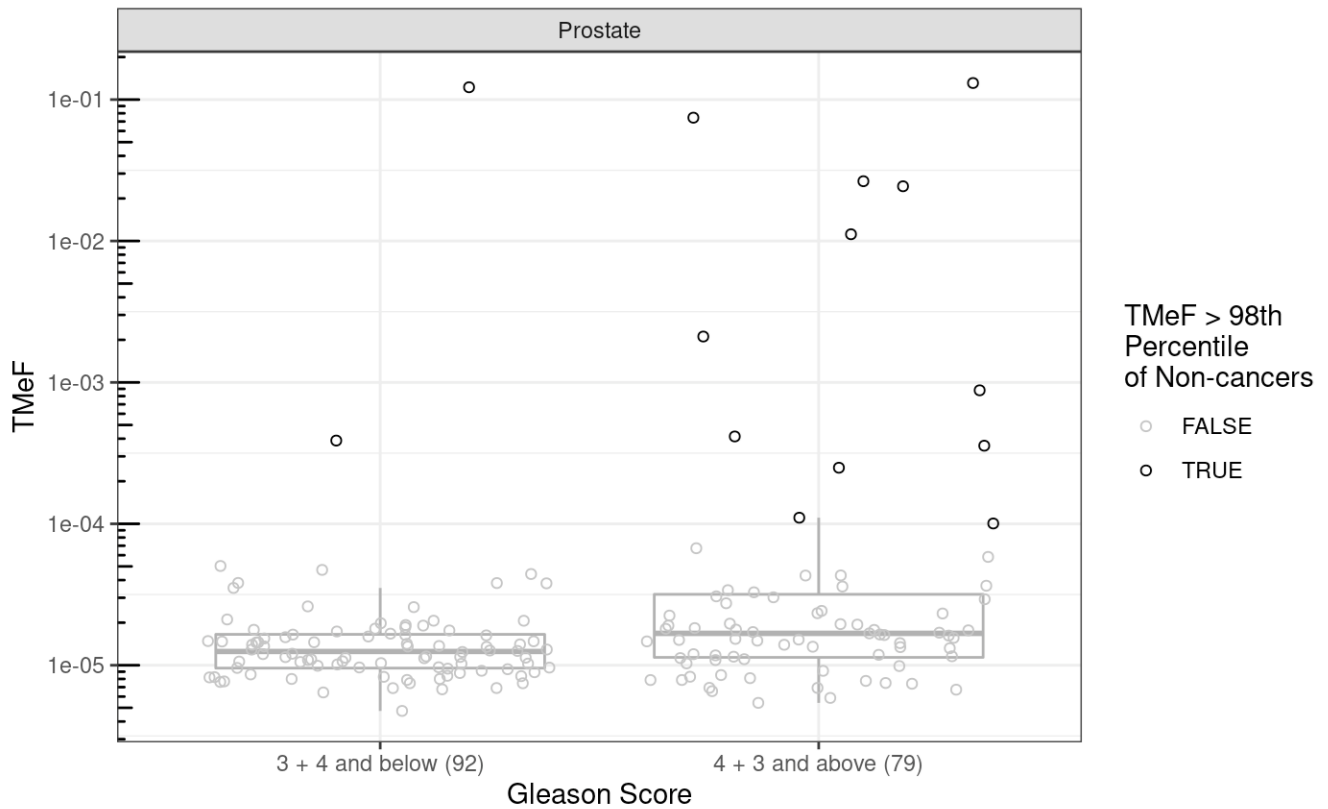


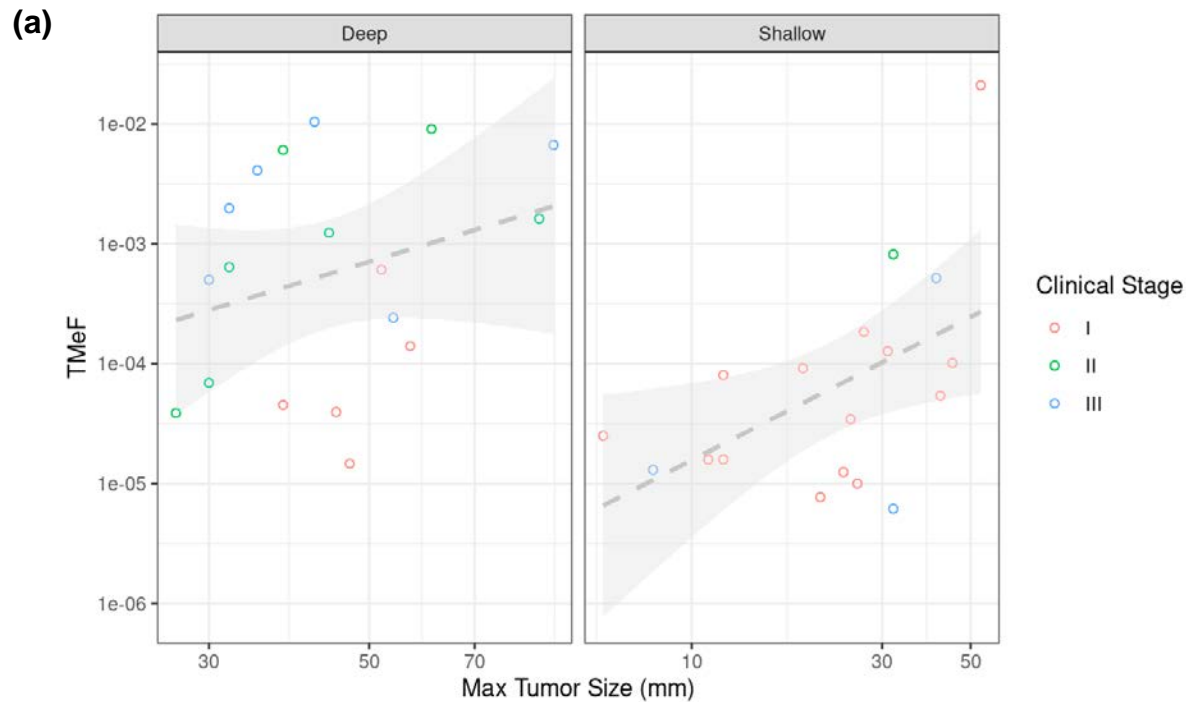
**Figure S1. DMR clustering across cancer labels.** A heatmap depicting the cosine similarity between DMRs defined for each cancer label relative to non-cancer cfDNA.



**Figure S2. TMeF correlation with clinical stage by cancer label.** TMeF for 1434 pre-treatment, solid cancer samples from CCGA substudy 3 was plotted by clinical stage and faceted by cancer label. Points were colored gray if the sample's TMeF was lower than the 98th percentile of TMeFs computed on a set of non-cancer samples to indicate that these TMeF values were less reliable. Statistical significance was assessed using a Spearman rank correlation of TMeF versus stage and corrected for multiple testing using a Benjamini Hochberg FDR correction.



**Figure S3. TMeF correlation with Gleason score in prostate cancer.** TMeF for 171 prostate cancer samples was plotted by Gleason score category, 3 + 4 and below or 4 + 3 and above. Points were colored gray if the sample's TMeF was lower than the 98th percentile of TMeFs computed on a set of non-cancer samples to indicate that these TMeF values were less accurate. A p-value of 0.0035 was determined by dichotomizing each Gleason score group into samples with TMeF greater than and less than the 98th percentile of non-cancer TMeFs, then performing Fisher's exact test for count data.

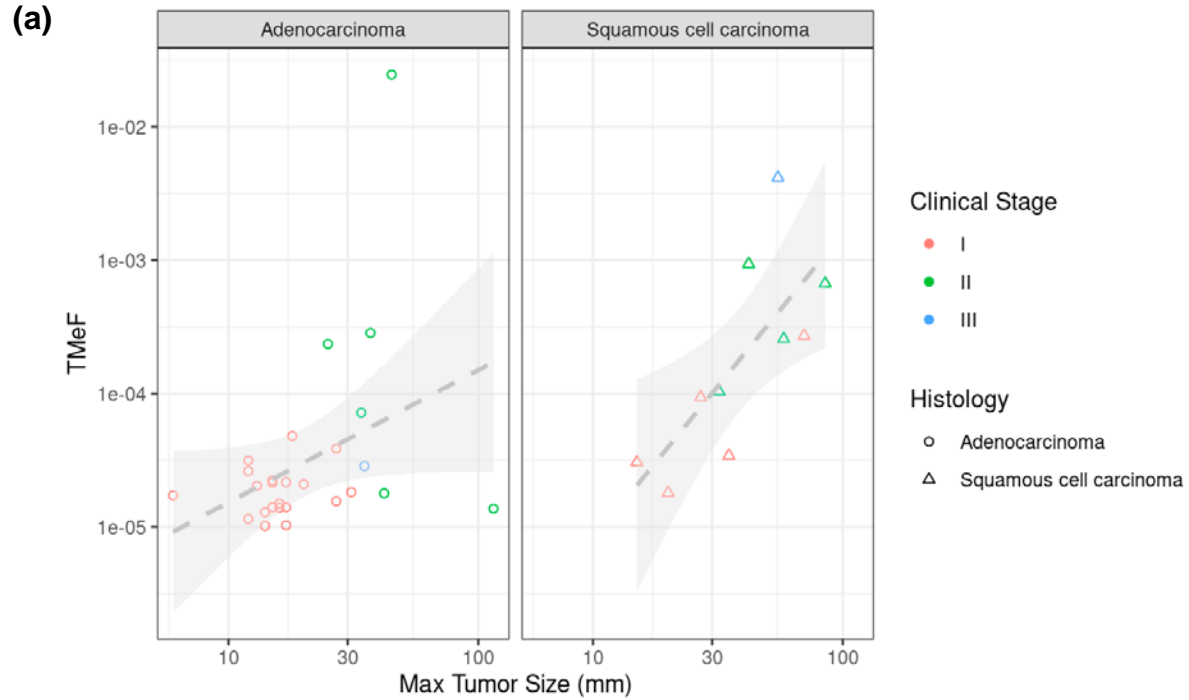


(b)

Term	Value	P-value	Invasion
Slope	$10^{-14}$	0.009*	Deep
Tumor-size scaling factor	1.8	0.2	Deep
Slope	$10^{-15}$	<0.001	Shallow
Tumor-size scaling factor	1.7	0.031*	Shallow

**Figure S4. Association of TMeF with tumor size in colorectal cancer.** (a) TMeF was plotted against the maximum tumor size for deep and shallow invading colorectal cancers as previously modeled in Bredno *et al.*<sup>1</sup> (b) Tumor shedding as a function of tumor size was modeled (see Methods) to ascertain both a measurement of the linear slope between TMeF and tumor size (observed as an intercept offset on the log-log plot) and the scaling factor associated with tumor size (observed as a slope on the log-log plot). \* $p < 0.05$ .

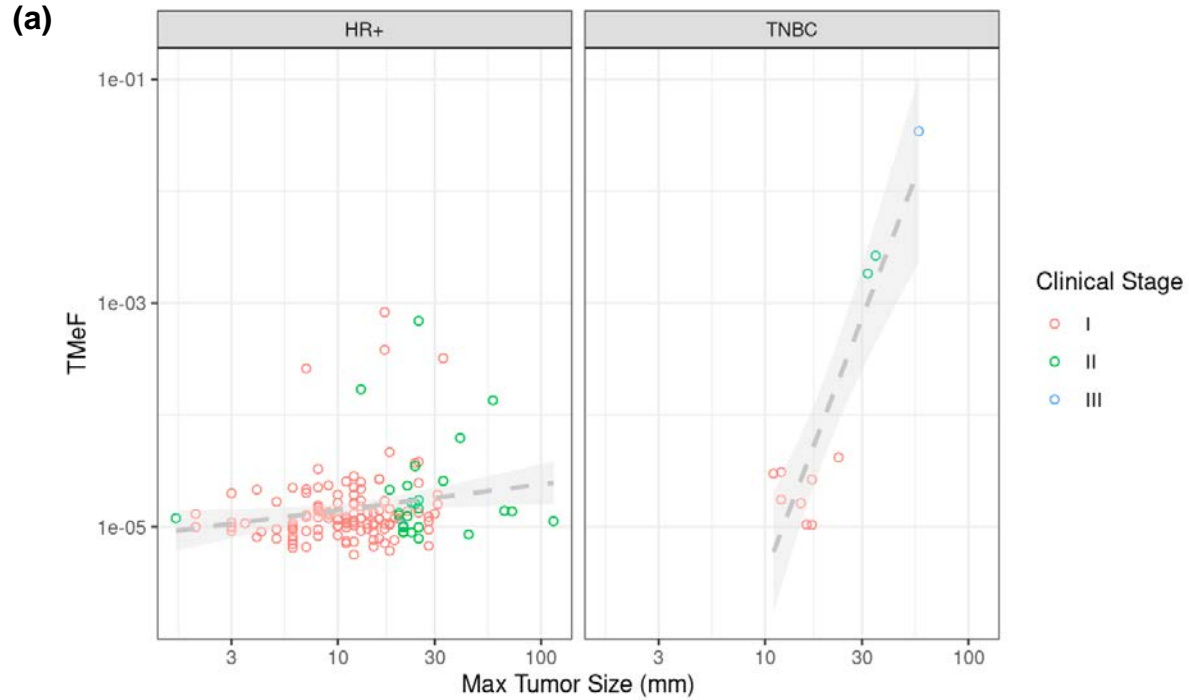
<sup>1</sup>Bredno J, Lipson J, Venn O, Aravanis AM, Jamshidi A. Clinical correlates of circulating cell-free DNA tumor fraction. Bauckneht M, ed. PLOS ONE. 2021;16(8):e0256436. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0256436



(b)

Term	Value	P-value	Histology
Slope	$10^{-13}$	$<0.001^*$	Adeno
Tumor-size scaling factor	1.0	0.048*	Adeno
Slope	$10^{-17}$	$<0.001^*$	SCC
Tumor-size scaling factor	2.3	0.012*	SCC

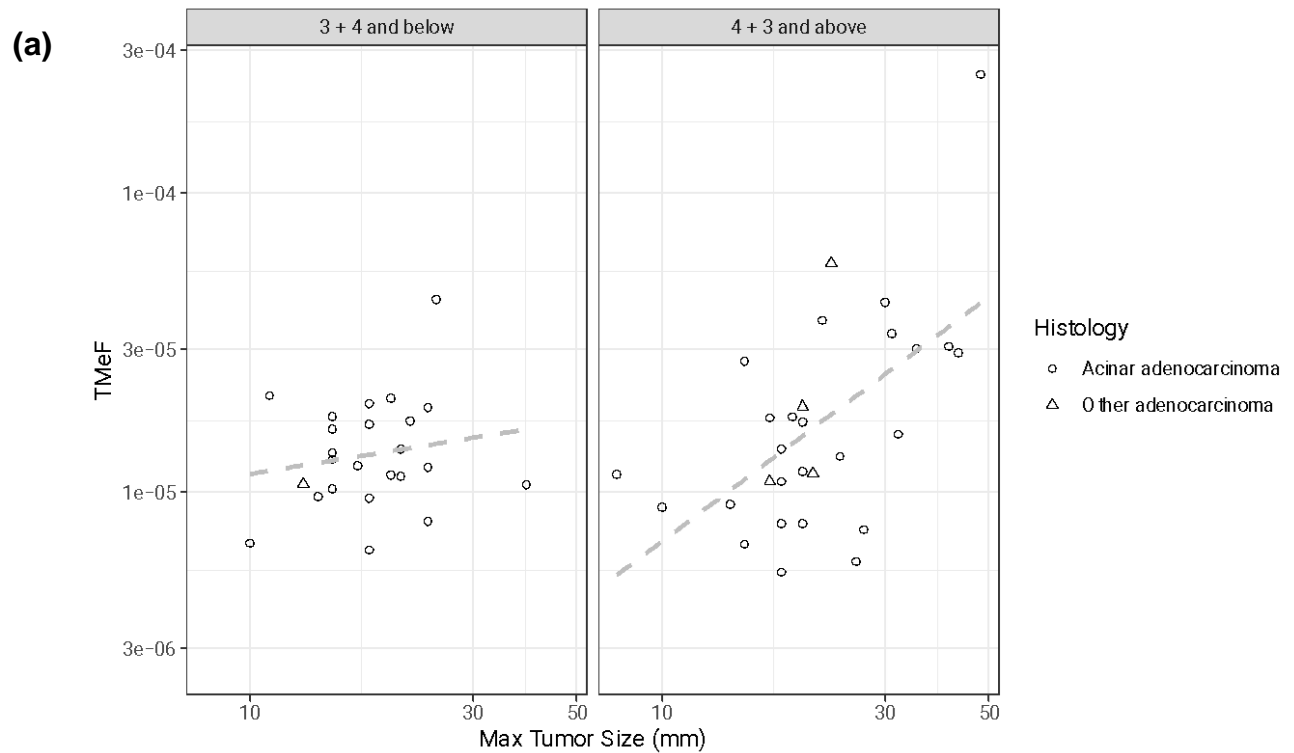
**Figure S5. Association of TMeF with tumor size in NSCLC.** (a) TMeF was plotted against the maximum tumor size for lung adenocarcinoma and lung squamous cell carcinoma. (b) Tumor shedding as a function of tumor size was modeled (see Methods) to ascertain both a measurement of the linear slope between TMeF and tumor size (observed as an intercept offset on the log-log plot) and the scaling factor associated with tumor size (observed as a slope on the log-log plot). \* $p < 0.05$ .



(b)

Term	Value	P-value	Subtype
Slope	$10^{-12}$	<0.001*	HR+
Tumor-size scaling factor	0.23	0.02*	HR+
Slope	$10^{-24}$	<0.001*	TNBC
Tumor-size scaling factor	4.8	<0.001*	TNBC

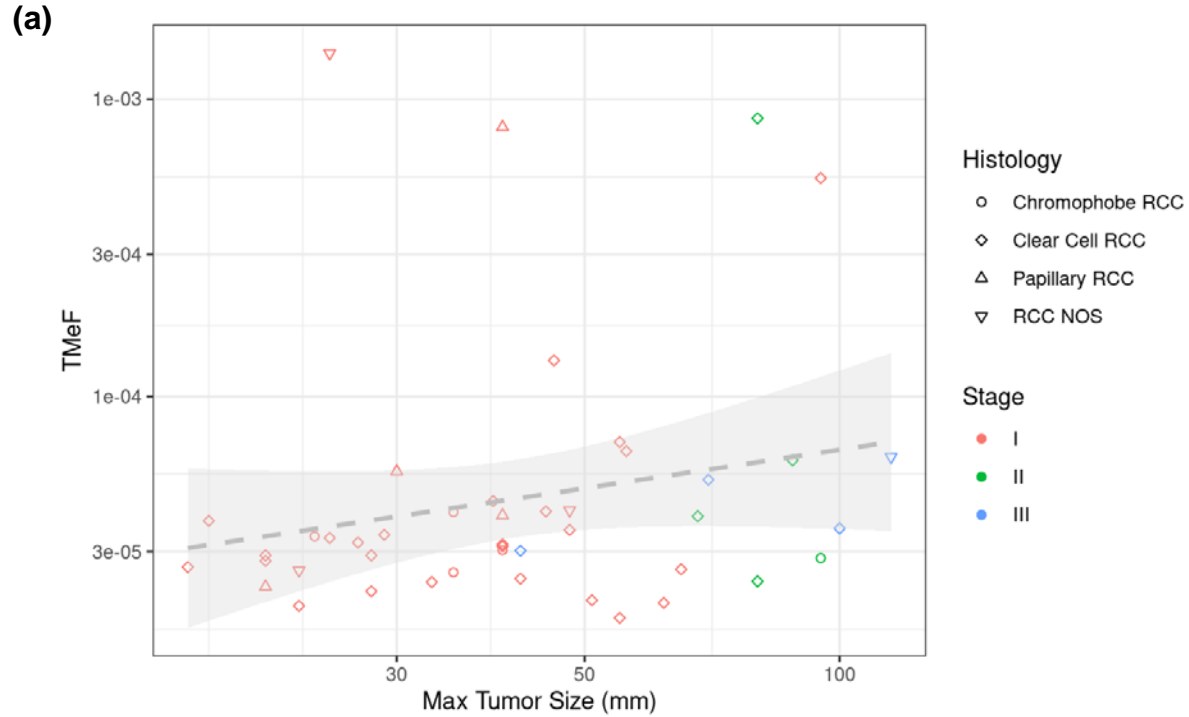
**Figure S6. Association of TMeF with tumor size in breast cancer.** (a) TMeF was plotted against the maximum tumor size for hormone receptor positive (HR+) and triple negative breast cancer (TNBC). (b) Tumor shedding as a function of tumor size was modeled (see Methods) to ascertain both a measurement of the linear slope between TMeF and tumor size (observed as an intercept offset on the log-log plot) and the scaling factor associated with tumor size (observed as a slope on the log-log plot). The HR+ model is included for completeness; however, the fit was poor. This may be due to the limit of quantification of TMeF and/or the importance of unmodeled tumor characteristics. \* $p < 0.05$ .



(b)

Term	Value	P-value	Gleason
Slope w/ lymph node involvement	$10^{-11}$	$<0.001^*$	3 + 4 and below
Slope w/o lymph node involvement	$10^{-12}$	$<0.001^*$	3 + 4 and below
Tumor-size scaling factor	0.25	0.5	3 + 4 and below
Slope w/ lymph node involvement	$10^{-13}$	$<0.001^*$	4 + 3 and above
Slope w/o lymph node involvement	$10^{-14}$	$<0.001^*$	4 + 3 and above
Tumor-size scaling factor	1	$<0.001^*$	4 + 3 and above

**Figure S7. Association of TMeF with tumor size in prostate cancer.** (a) TMeF was plotted against the maximum tumor size for Gleason 3 + 4 and below and Gleason 4 + 3 and above prostate cancer participants. Involvement of one or more lymph nodes was modeled as a factor altering the slope. (b) Tumor shedding as a function of tumor size was modeled (see Methods) to ascertain both a measurement of the linear slope between TMeF and tumor size (observed as an intercept offset on the log-log plot) and the scaling factor associated with tumor size (observed as a slope on the log-log plot). The models are included for completeness; however, the fits were poor. This may be due to the limit of quantification of TMeF and/or the importance of unmodeled tumor characteristics.  $^*p < 0.05$ .



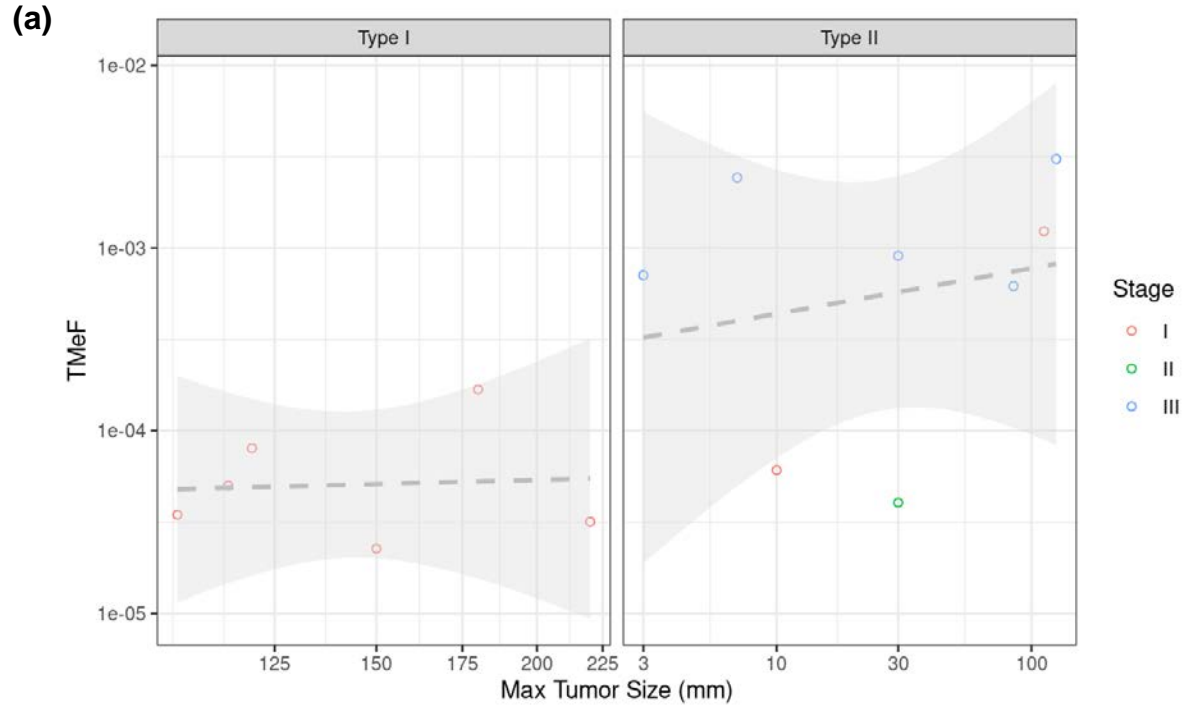
(b)

Term	Value	P-value
Slope	$10^{-12}$	<0.001*
Tumor-size scaling factor	0.43	0.2

**Figure S8. Association of TMeF with tumor size in kidney cancer.** (a) TMeF was plotted against the maximum tumor size for kidney cancers. (b) Tumor shedding as a function of tumor size was modeled (see Methods) to ascertain both a measurement of the linear slope between TMeF and tumor size (observed as an intercept offset on the log-log plot) and the scaling factor associated with tumor size (observed as a slope on the log-log plot). The model is included for completeness; however, the fit was poor. This may be due to the limit of quantification of TMeF and/or the importance of unmodeled tumor characteristics.

\* $p < 0.05$ .

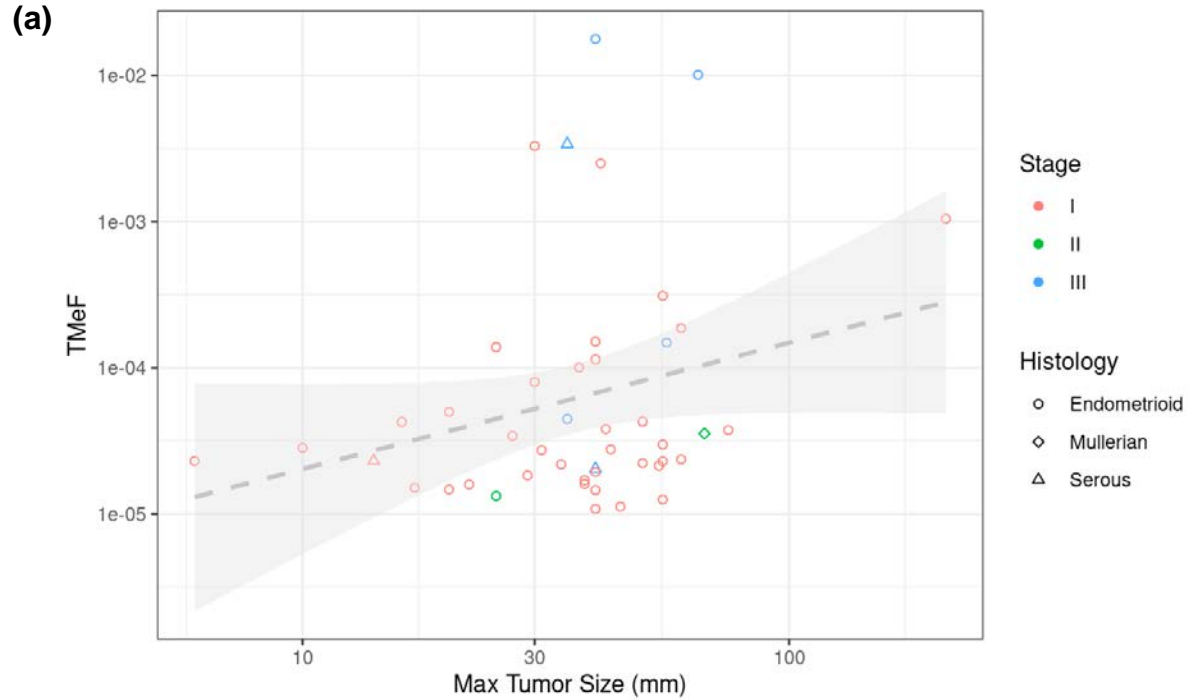




(b)

Term	Value	P-value	Subtype
Slope	$10^{-11}$	0.3	Type I
Tumor-size scaling factor	0.18	>0.9	Type I
Slope	$10^{-8.3}$	<0.001*	Type II
Tumor-size scaling factor	0.25	0.5	Type II

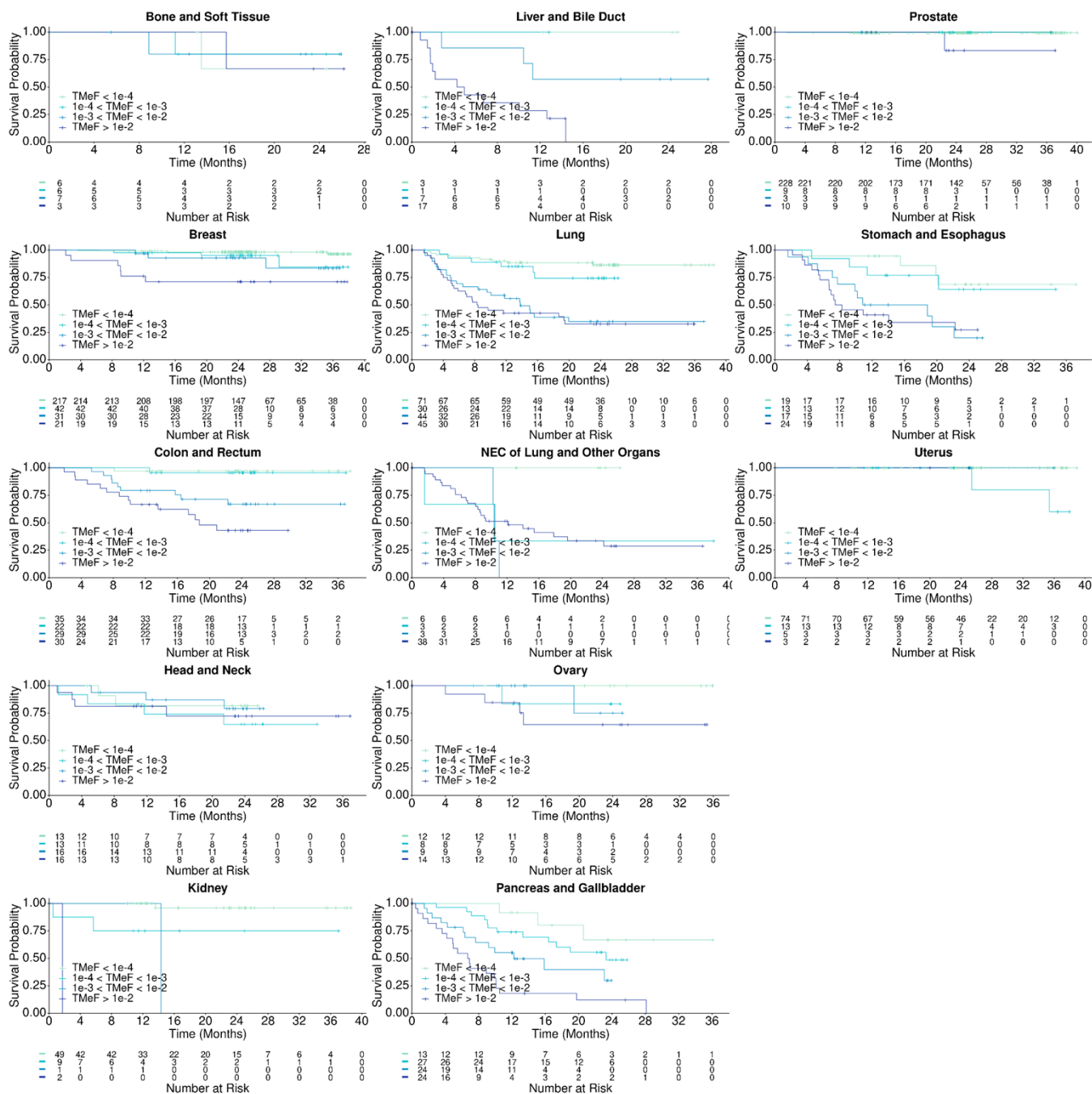
**Figure S9. Association of TMeF with tumor size in ovarian cancer.** (a) TMeF was plotted against the maximum tumor size for type I and type II ovarian cancer participants. (b) Tumor shedding as a function of tumor size was modeled (see Methods) to ascertain both a measurement of the linear slope between TMeF and tumor size (observed as an intercept offset on the log-log plot) and the scaling factor associated with tumor size (observed as a slope on the log-log plot). \* $p < 0.05$ .



(b)

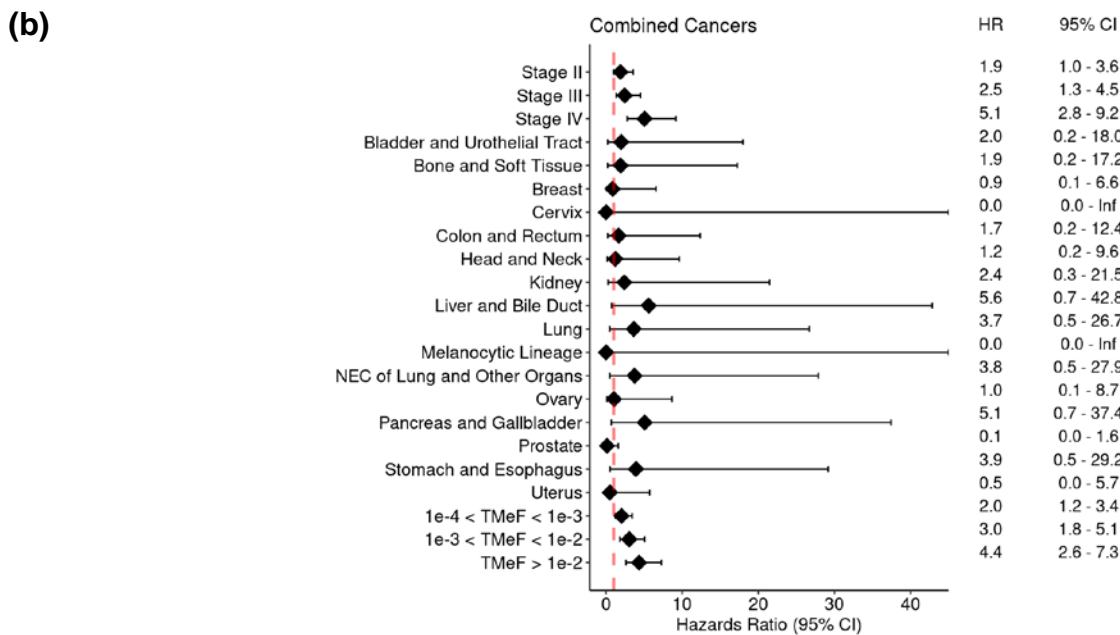
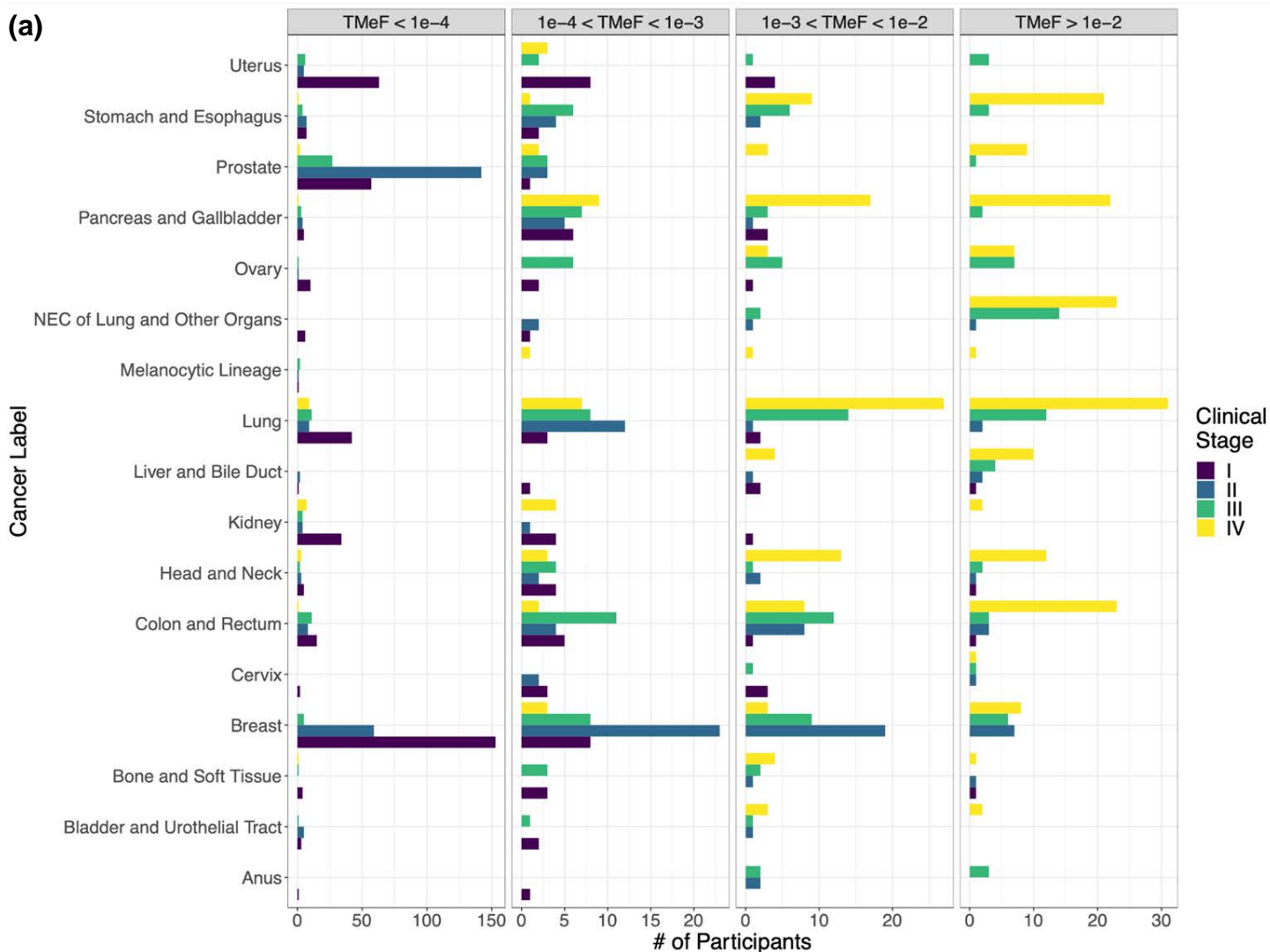
Term	Value	P-value
Slope	$10^{-13}$	<0.001*
Tumor-size scaling factor	0.84	0.07

**Figure S10. Association of TMeF with tumor size in uterine cancer.** (a) TMeF was plotted against the maximum tumor size for uterine cancer participants. (b) Tumor shedding as a function of tumor size was modeled (see Methods) to ascertain both a measurement of the linear slope between TMeF and tumor size (observed as an intercept offset on the log-log plot) and the scaling factor associated with tumor size (observed as a slope on the log-log plot). The model is included for completeness; however, the fit was poor. This may be due to the limit of quantification of TMeF and/or the importance of unmodeled tumor characteristics. \* $p < 0.05$ .



**Figure S11. Survival stratified by TMeF for individual cancer labels.**

Participant samples were stratified by their TMeF, and Kaplan Meier plots were generated for cancer labels where 20 or more participants had survival data available.



**Figure S12. Cancer spectrum by clinical stage and TMeF stratum.**

(a) TMeF was calculated for 1434 pre-treatment, solid cancer samples from CCGA substudy 3. Counts of samples stratified by clinical stage and cancer label are shown for each of 4 TMeF stratum. Low TMeF samples were enriched for earlier-stage cancers; whereas, high TMeF samples were enriched for later-stages. (b) A Cox proportional hazards model with clinical stage, cancer label, and stratified TMeF was fit across all cancer samples. A forest plot depicts the hazard ratios for each covariate. Caveats of the model and associated hazard ratios are described in the Results.

# Reported Lower Limit of Accurate Tissue-Free Quantification

Assay Type	<0.1%	0.1-1%	1–10%	Not Assessed
			SRFD <sup>a</sup> NNLS <sup>b</sup>	
		cfSort <sup>c</sup> Cancer Detector <sup>d</sup>	CelFEER <sup>e</sup> caHMH <sup>f</sup>	Sun <i>et al.</i> <sup>g</sup>
			caHMH <sup>f</sup>	
				Shen <i>et al.</i> <sup>*</sup>
				Liang <i>et al.</i> <sup>*</sup>
	TMeF			

<sup>\*</sup>Shen *et al.* 2018 [ref 42] and Liang *et al.* 2021 [ref 40] demonstrate low quantitative accuracy with a tissue-informed approach utilizing cell line mixtures.

<sup>a</sup>Zhou *et al.* 2022 [ref 43]; <sup>b</sup>Moss *et al.* 2018 [ref 38]; <sup>c</sup>Li *et al.* 2023 [ref 46]; <sup>d</sup>Li *et al.* 2018 [ref 39]; <sup>e</sup>Keukeleire *et al.* 2023 [ref 45]; <sup>f</sup>Guo *et al.* 2017 [ref 41]; <sup>g</sup>Sun *et al.* 2015 [ref 44].

**Figure S13. Review of tissue-free, methylation-based ctDNA abundance methods and assays.** A 2-dimensional grid depicting assay types (y-axis) and the assessed lower limit of accurate tissue-free quantification (x-axis) for the current presented approach (TMeF) and prior works that utilize methylation patterns to measure ctDNA abundance.