

Table S7. Node-splitting analysis of inconsistency between direct and indirect effects in a closed loop network (US-MR-CT) in terms of 3-year overall survival (OS), local tumor recurrence (LTR) and primary technique effectiveness (PTE)

Nodes	Direct effect	Indirect effect	Overall(network)	P-value
3-year OS				
MR, CT	1.76 (0.50 to 6.20)	1.05 (0.07 to 15.08)	1.60 (0.51 to 5.00)	0.73
US, CT	0.99 (0.77 to 1.26)	0.00 (0.00 to 17.18)	0.98 (0.77 to 1.26)	0.19
MR, US	1.35 (0.16 to 11.29)	1.76 (0.45 to 6.96)	1.63 (0.52 to 5.17)	0.84
LTR				
MR, CT	0.35 (0.08 to 1.54)	0.11 (0.00 to 3.35)	0.29 (0.08 to 1.14)	0.52
US, CT	1.13 (0.53 to 2.43)	9.65 (0.06 to 1651.56)	1.19 (0.56 to 2.53)	0.41
MR, US	0.14 (0.02 to 0.95)	0.50 (0.06 to 4.21)	0.25 (0.06 to 1.02)	0.39
PTE				
MR, CT	1.07 (0.96 to 1.19)	0.99 (0.78 to 1.27)	1.06 (0.96 to 1.17)	0.58
US, CT	0.97 (0.92 to 1.03)	1.51 (0.81 to 2.81)	0.98 (0.92 to 1.03)	0.17
MR, US	1.04 (0.90 to 1.20)	1.14 (0.98 to 1.33)	1.08 (0.98 to 1.20)	0.39