

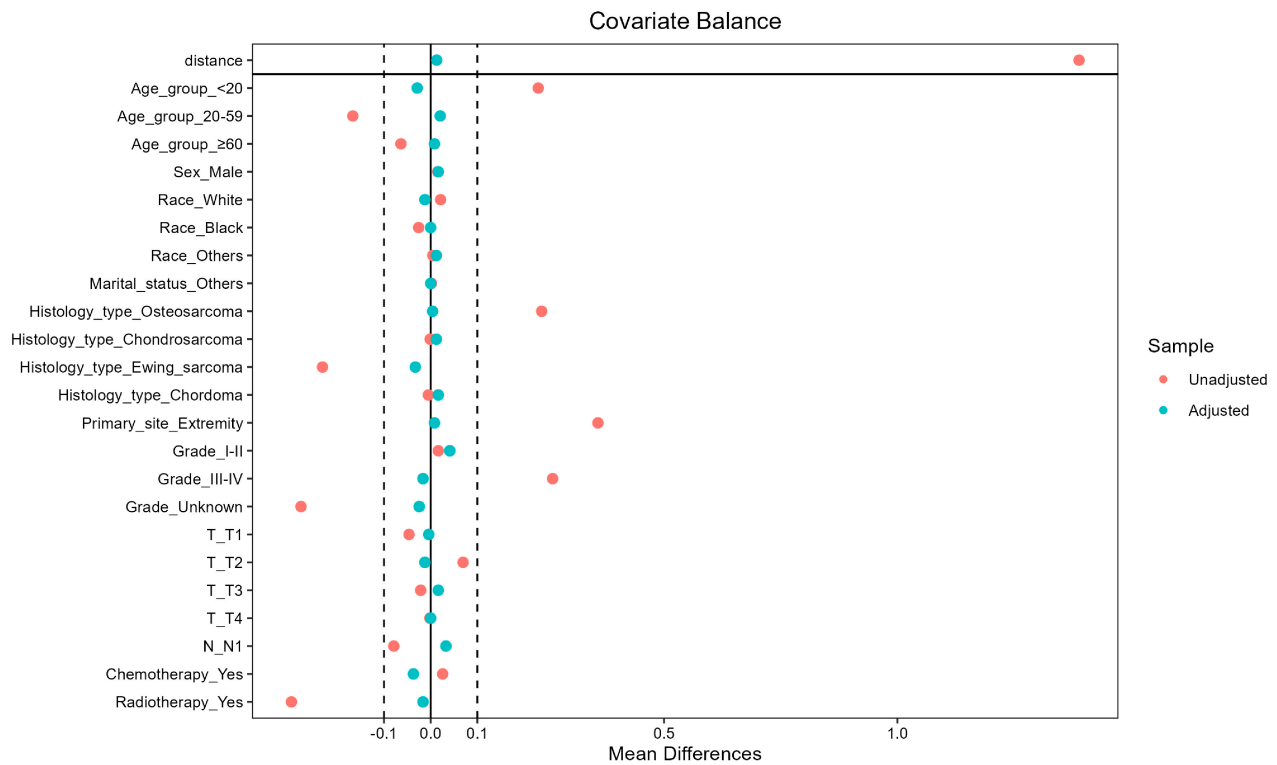


Figure S1. Covariate balance plot before and after propensity score matching (PSM). Standardized mean differences (SMDs) for all covariates included in the propensity score model are shown before PSM (open circles) and after PSM (filled circles). An SMD < 0.1 indicates adequate balance. After matching, all covariates achieved SMD < 0.1, indicating satisfactory covariate balance between the resection and non-resection groups.