

**Table I. TNM Staging of Urinary Bladder Cancer**

**Definitions of TNM**

<b><i>Primary Tumor (T)</i></b>	
TX	Primary tumor cannot be assessed
T0	No evidence of primary tumor
TA	Non-invasive papillary carcinoma
Tis	Carcinoma <i>in situ</i> : "flat tumor"
T1	Tumor invades subepithelial connective tissue
T2	Tumor invades muscularis propria
pT2a	Tumor invades superficial muscularis propria (inner half)
pT2b	Tumor invades deep muscularis propria (outer half)
T3	Tumor invades perivesical tissue
pT3a	microscopically
pT3b	macroscopically (extravesical mass)
T4	Tumor invades any of the following: prostatic stroma, seminal vesicles, uterus, vagina, pelvic wall, abdominal wall
T4a	Tumor invades prostatic stroma, uterus, vagina
T4b	Tumor invades pelvic wall, abdominal wall

***Regional Lymph Nodes (N)***

Regional lymph nodes include both primary and secondary drainage regions. All other nodes above the aortic bifurcation are considered distant lymph nodes.

NX	Lymph nodes cannot be assessed
N0	No lymph node metastasis

N1	Single regional lymph node metastasis in the true pelvis (hypogastric, obturator, external iliac or presacral lymph node)
N2	Multiple regional lymph node metastasis in the true pelvis (hypogastric, obturator, external iliac or presacral lymph node metastasis)
N3	Lymph node metastasis to the common iliac lymph nodes

<b><i>Distant Metastasis (M)</i></b>	
M0	No distant metastasis
M1	Distant metastasis

**Anatomic Stage / Prognostic Groups**

<b>GROUP</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>M</b>
0a	Ta	N0	M0
0is	Tis	N0	M0
I	T1	N0	M0
II	T2a	N0	M0
	T2b	N0	M0
III	T3a	N0	M0
	T3b	N0	M0
	T4a	N0	M0
IV	T4b	N0	M0
	Any T	N1-3	M0
	Any T	Any N	M1

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