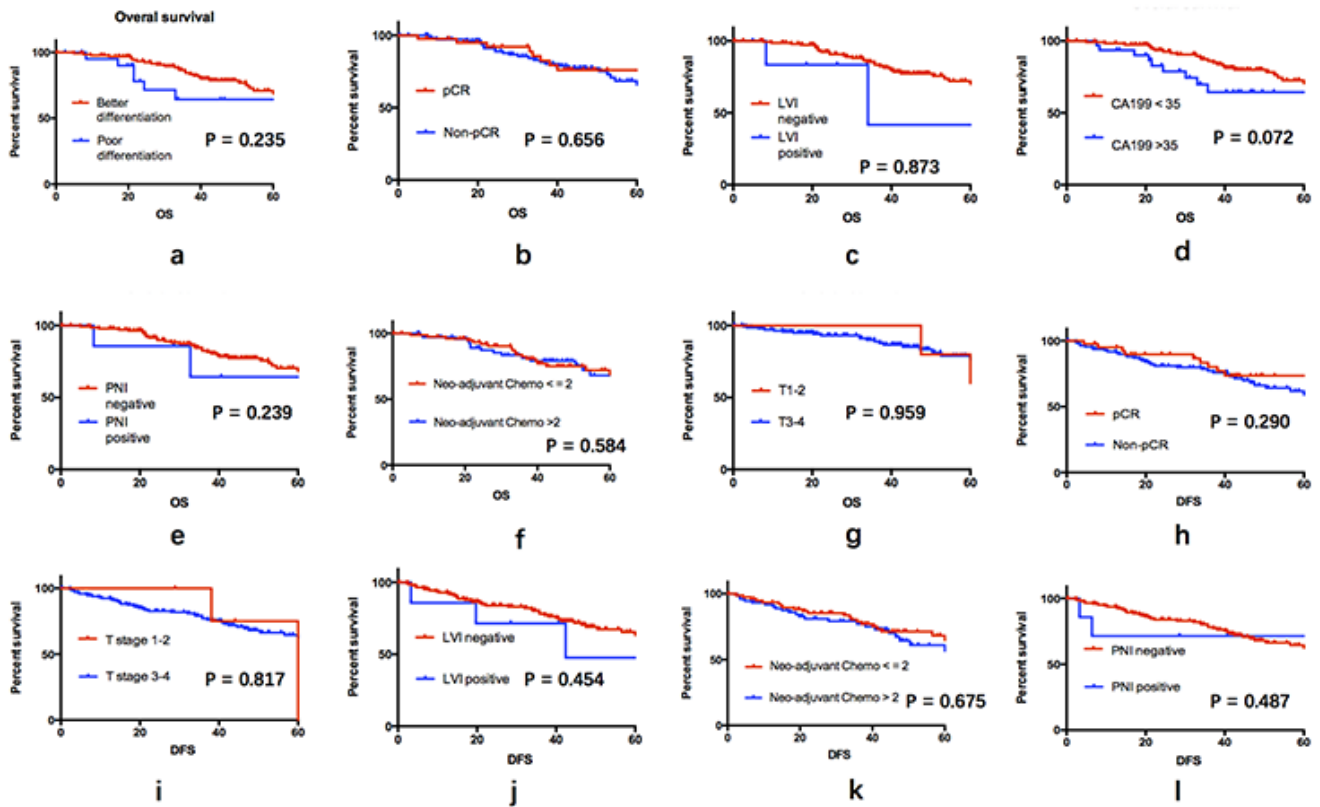


SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL



**Supplementary Figure S1. Effects of clinical variables not shown in Figure 4 on 5-year overall and disease-free survival rates. (A-D)** Five-year overall survival rate among the 152 rectal cancer patients, taking into account tumor differentiation, pCR status, LVI status, and the CA19-9 level. **(E-L)** Five-year disease-free survival rate among the 152 rectal cancer patients, taking into account PNI status, neoadjuvant chemotherapy cycles, T stage, pCR status, T stage, LVI status, number of neoadjuvant chemotherapy cycles, and PNI status.