Supplementary Figure 1

447 treatment-naïve HCC patients who underwent the first TACE were screened for eligibility.

Excluded due to:
1) Presence of solitary target lesion (n=69)
2) Inadequate target lesions: infiltrative HCC or the largest lesion < 1cm (n=52)
3) Presence of an additional primary malignancy in other organ (n=20)
4) Presence of extra-hepatic lesions or vascular invasion (n=23)
5) Child-Pugh class B or C (n=24)
6) Presence of uncontrolled functional or metabolic disease (n=5)

254 patients were finally analyzed.