

1 Supplementary table. A 2x2 table between *BRAF* mutation and central nodal metastasis (CNM)
2 when the *BRAF* prevalence was reduced to 40%.

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	CNM+ve	CNM-ve	Total
<i>BRAF</i>+ve	126	212	338
<i>BRAF</i>-ve	117	390	507
Total	243	602	845

4 Based on these data, the sensitivity, specificity, PPV and NPV of *BRAF* became 51.9%, 64.8%,
5 37.3% and 76.9%, respectively.

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