

# Pancreas Cancer Staging\*

## Definitions

### Primary Tumor (T)

- TX** Primary tumor cannot be assessed
- T0** No evidence of primary tumor
- Tis** Carcinoma in situ<sup>1\*\*</sup>
- T1** Tumor limited to the pancreas, 2 cm or less in greatest dimension
- T2** Tumor limited to the pancreas, more than 2 cm in greatest dimension
- T3** Tumor extends beyond the pancreas but without involvement of the celiac axis or the superior mesenteric artery
- T4** Tumor involves the celiac axis or the superior mesenteric artery (unresectable primary tumor)

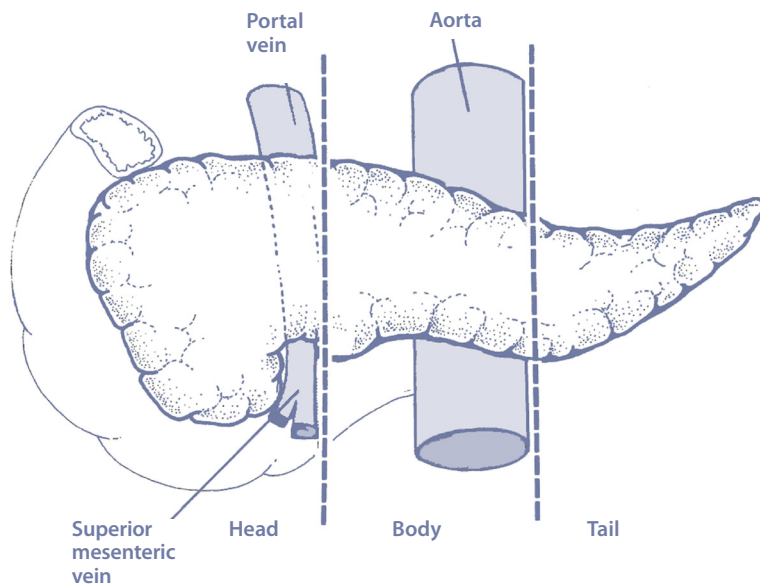
### Regional Lymph Nodes (N)

- NX** Regional lymph nodes cannot be assessed
- N0** No regional lymph node metastasis
- N1** Regional lymph node metastasis

### Distant Metastasis (M)

- M0** No distant metastasis
- M1** Distant metastasis

ANATOMIC STAGE/PROGNOSTIC GROUPS			
Stage 0	Tis	N0	M0
Stage IA	T1	N0	M0
Stage IB	T2	N0	M0
Stage IIA	T3	N0	M0
Stage IIB	T1	N1	M0
	T2	N1	M0
	T3	N1	M0
Stage III	T4	Any N	M0
Stage IV	Any T	Any N	M1



Tumors of the head of the pancreas are those arising to the right of the superior mesenteric-portal vein confluence.

## Notes

- \* Endocrine AND exocrine tumors are now staged by a single pancreatic staging system.
- \*\* Also includes the "PanInIII" classification.



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