Supplementary Table 1 Demographic and clinical characteristics between patients in subsequent line anti- epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) approaches who received and never received anti-EGFR therapy

| Characteristics | All (N=219) | Never received anti-EGFR (N = 71) | Received anti-EGFR (N =148) | P-value |
|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Age at diagnosis | | | | |
| Median (range), years | 60 (30-92) | 61(30-88) | 59.5 (30-92) | |
| ≥ 65 years, n (%) | 71 (32.4) | 30 (42.3) | 41 (27.7) | 0.031 |
| Sex, n (%) Male Female | 138 (63) 81 (37) | 43 (60.6) 28 (39.4) | 95 (64.2) 53 (35.8) | 0.603 |
| ECOG, n (%) | | | | 0.04 |
| 0 | 30 (13.7) | 4 (5.6) | 26 (17.6) | |
| 1 | 183 (83.6) | 65 (91.5) | 118 (79.7) | |
| 2 | 5 (2.3) | 1 (1.4) | 4 (2.7) | |
| 3 | 1 (0.5) | 1 (1.4) | 0 | |
| Underlying disease, n (%) | 114 (52.1) | 30 (42.3) | 84 (56.8) | 0.044 |
| Yes | 83 (37.9) | 24 (33.8) | 59 (39.9) | 0.387 |
| Hypertension | 43 (19.6) | 12 (16.9) | 31 (20.9) | 0.481 |
| Diabetes | 48 (21.6) | 17 (23) | 31 (20.9) | 0.729 |
| Dyslipidemia | 7 (3.2) | 2 (2.8) | 5 (3.4) | 0.825 |

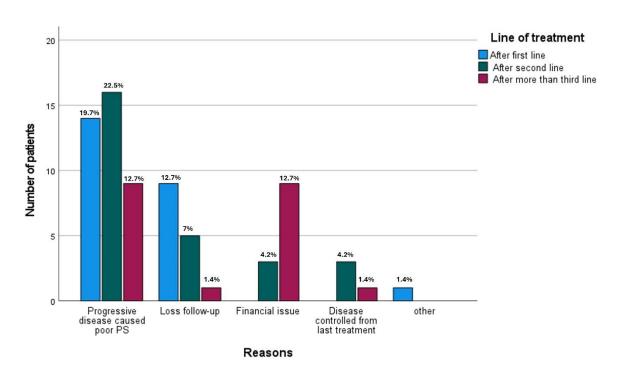
| Cerebrovascular disease | 9 (4.1) | 5 (7.0) | 4 (2.7) | 0.130 |
|-------------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|-------|
| Ischemic heart disease | 5 (2.3) | 3 (4.2) | 2 (1.4) | 0.183 |
| Other cancers | | | | |
| | | | | |
| Tumor location,n (%) | | | | 0.006 |
| Splenic flexure | 6 (2.7) | 0 | 6 (4.1) | |
| Descending colon | 19 (8.7) | 7 (9.9) | 12 (8.1) | |
| Sigmoid colon | 104 (47.5) | 27 (38) | 77 (52) | |
| Rectosigmoid | 33 (15.1) | 19 (26.8) | 14 (9.5) | |
| Rectum | 57 (26) | 18 (25.4) | 39 (26.4) | |
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| Histologic subtype, n (%) | | | | 0.750 |
| Mucinous adenocarcinoma | 2 (0.9) | 1 (1.4) | 1 (0.7) | |
| Signet ring cell carcinoma | 2 (0.9) | 1 (1.4) | 1 (0.7) | |
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| Tumor grade, n (%) | | | | 0.021 |
| Well differentiate | 71 (37.0) | 30 (46.2) | 41 (32.3) | |
| Moderates differentiate | 103 (53.6) | 26 (40.0) | 77 (60.6) | |
| Poorly differentiate | 18 (9.4) | 9 (13.8) | 9 (7.1) | |
| | | | | |
| Metastatic type, n (%) | | | | 0.701 |
| Synchronous | 182 (83.1) | 60 (84.5) | 122 (82.4) | |
| Metachronous | 37 (16.9) | 11 (15.5) | 26 (17.6) | |
| | | | | |
| Number of metastatic sites, n | | | | 0.788 |
| (%) | | | | |
| 1 | 121 (55.3) | 41 (57.7) | 80 (54.1) | |
| 2 | 73 (33.3) | 24 (33.8) | 49 (33.1) | |

| 3 | 15 (6.8) | 4 (5.6) | 11 (7.4) | |
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| ≥4 | 10 (4.6) | 2 (2.8) | 8 (5.4) | |
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| Site of metastasis, n (%) | | | | |
| Liver-limited metastasis | 79 (36.1) | 28 (39.4) | 51 (34.5) | 0.473 |
| Liver | 162 (74) | 53 (74.6) | 109 (73.6) | 0.875 |
| Lung | 73 (33.3) | 21 (29.6) | 52 (35.1) | 0.414 |
| Peritoneal | 54 (24.7) | 18 (25.4) | 36 (24.3) | 0.869 |
| Distant lymph nodes | 32 (14.6) | 8 (11.3) | 24 (16.2) | 0.332 |
| | | | | |
| Any lines of Bevacizumab, n | | | | |
| (%) | 134 (61.2) | 24 (33.8) | 110 (74.3) | < 0.001 |
| | | | | |
| Regimen chemotherapy at | | | | |
| first line, n (%) | | | | 0.011 |
| 5FU/Capecitabine | 7 (3.2) | 2 (2.8) | 5 (3.4) | |
| FOLFOX/CAPEOX | 176 (80.4) | 64 (90.1) | 112 (75.7) | |
| FOLFIRI/CAPIRI | 30 (13.7) | 2 (2.8) | 28 (18.9) | |
| FOLFOXIRI/mFOLFORINOX | 6 (2.7) | 3 (4.2) | 3 (2) | |
| | | | | |
| Line number of systemic | | | | |
| treatments, n (%) | | | | |
| Median (range) | 3 (1-8) | 2 (1-5) | 4 (2-8) | < 0.001 |
| 1 | 24 (11) | 24 (33.8) | - | |
| 2 | 45 (20.5) | 27 (38) | 18 (12.2) | |
| 3 | 56 (25.6) | 12 (16.9) | 44 (29.7) | |
| 4 | 53 (24.2) | 7 (9.9) | 46 (31.1) | |
| ≥5 | 41 (18.7) | 1 (1.4) | 40 (27) | |

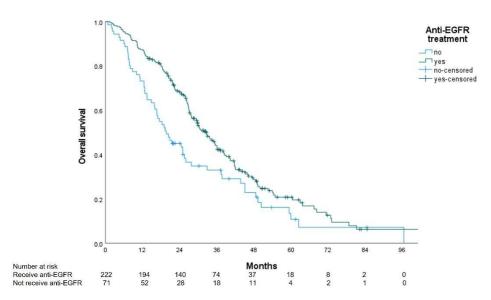
| Local treatment at metastatic | 95 (43.4) | 24 (33.8) | 71 (48) | 0.048 |
|--------------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|-------|
| sites, n (%) | | | | |
| Metastectomy at liver, n (%) | 41 (18.7) | 6 (8.5) | 35 (23.6) | 0.007 |
| | | | | |
| Patient status at last follow- | | | | |
| up, n (%) | | | | 0.473 |
| No evidence of disease | 2 (0.9) | 0 | 2 (1.4) | |
| Alive with disease | 46 (21) | 13 (18.3) | 33 (22.3) | |
| Death | 171 (78.1) | 58 (81.7) | 113 (76.4) | |
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Supplementary Table 2 All systemic treatments during any lines of therapy

| Type of treatment | Frontline anti- | Subsequent line anti-EGFR | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|----------------------|--|
| n (%) | EGFR | Received anti- | Never received anti- | |
| | (N = 74) | EGFR | EGFR | |
| | | (N = 148) | (N = 71) | |
| 5FU/Capecitabine | 73 (98.6) | 148 (100) | 71 (100) | |
| Oxaliplatin | 68 (91.9) | 139 (93.9) | 68 (95.8) | |
| Irinotecan | 51 (68.9) | 148 (100) | 47 (66.2) | |
| Anti-EGFR | 74 (100) | 148 (100) | 0 | |
| Bevacizumab | 33 (44.6) | 110 (74.3) | 24 (33.8) | |
| Ramucirumab | 1 (1.4) | 0 | 1 (1.4) | |
| Regorafenib | 12 (16.2) | 42 (28.4) | 2 (2.8) | |
| Trifluridine/tipiracil | | | | |
| hydrochloride | 8 (10.8) | 18 (12.2) | 1 (1.4) | |
| Pembrolizumab | 1 (1.4) | 0 | 0 | |
| Nivolumab | 0 | 1 (0.7) | 0 | |



Supplementary Figure 1 Reasons for not receiving subsequent line treatment among patients who never received anti- epidermal growth factor receptor therapy.



Supplementary Figure 2 Comparison of overall survival between patients who received and never received anti- epidermal growth factor receptor treatment in all patient populations. Kaplan-Meier survival analysis with long-rank test of overall survival by receiving or not receiving anti-EGFR treatment in all patients. Median overall survival in patients who received anti-EGFR was 32.50 months (95% CI 28.64-36.36). Median overall survival in patients who never received anti-EGFR was 19.70 months (95% CI 12.87-26.53). Log rank test = HR 0.65, P-value = 0.005.