Supplementary

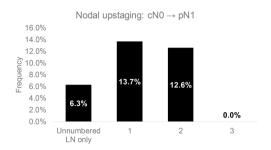


Figure S1 Rates of pN1 lymph node upstaging according to N1 stations harvested.

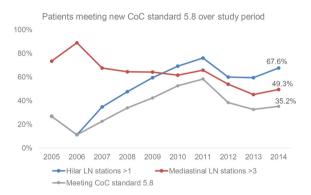


Figure S2 Historical trends of intraoperative lymph node evaluation.

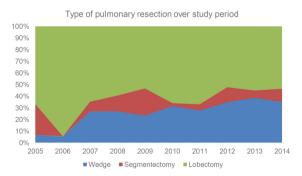


Figure S3 Historical trends of type of pulmonary resection used in the study population.

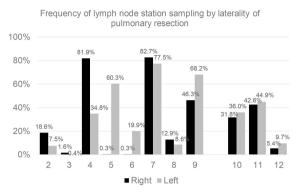


Figure S4 Rate of resection of individual lymph node stations by laterality of pulmonary resection. Station 2: P<0.001; Station 3: P=0.250; Station 4: P<0.001; Station 5: P<0.001; Station 6: P<0.001; Station 7: P=0.108; Station 8: P=0.100; Station 9: P<0.001; Station 10: P=0.274; Station 11: P=0.575; Station 12: P=0.045.

Table S1 Surgical treatment, tumor characteristics and lymph node yield according to laterality of lung resection

Variable	All (n=654)	Left resections (n=267)	Right resections (n=387)	P value
Histology, n (%)				0.65
Adenocarcinoma	492 (75.2)	198 (74.2)	294 (76.0)	
Squamous cell carcinoma	162 (24.8)	69 (25.8)	93 (24.0)	
Surgical approach, n (%)				0.15
Minimally invasive	371 (56.7)	142 (53.2)	229 (59.2)	
Open	283 (43.3)	125 (46.8)	158 (40.8)	
Type of lung resection, n (%)				0.17
Wedge resection	199 (30.4)	75 (28.1)	124 (32.0)	
Segmentectomy	67 (10.2)	34 (12.7)	33 (8.5)	
Lobectomy	388 (59.3)	158 (59.2)	230 (59.4)	
Pathologic N stage, n (%)				0.60
pN0	550 (84.1)	220 (82.4)	330 (85.3)	
pN1	66 (10.1)	30 (11.2)	36 (9.83)	
pN2	38 (5.8)	17 (6.4)	21 (5.4)	
Lymph node evaluation, median [IQR]				
Number of resected lymph nodes	5 [3–7]	5 [3–7]	4 [3–6]	0.052
Number of lymph node stations sampled	4 [3–5]	4 [3–5]	4 [3–5]	<0.001
Number of N1 stations sampled	1 [0–1]	1 [0–2]	1 [0–1]	0.11
Number of N2 stations sampled	3 [2–3]	3 [2–4]	3 [2–3]	<0.001
Lymph node upstaging, n (%)	104 (15.9)	47 (17.6)	57 (14.7)	0.33
CoC standard 5.8 met, n (%)	254 (38.8)	123 (46.1)	131 (33.9)	0.002
One or more N1 stations, n (%)	382 (58.4)	164 (61.4)	218 (56.3)	0.20
Three or more N2 stations, n (%)	383 (58.6)	175 (65.5)	208 (53.8)	0.003

IQR, interquartile range; CoC standard, Commission on Cancer standard.