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# Staging scheme source

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## *Identifying and Definitional Attributes*

Data Dictionary: NHDD  
Knowledgebase ID: 001080                      Version number: 1  
Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT  
Registration Authority: NHIMG                      Admin status: SUPERSEDED  
Effective date: 01-MAR-05  
Definition: The staging scheme source is the reference which describes in detail the methods of staging and the definitions for the classification system used in determining the extent of cancer at the time of diagnosis.  
Context: For survival analysis adjusted by stage at diagnosis and distribution of cancer cases by type and stage.

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## *Relational and Representational Attributes*

Datatype: Numeric  
Representational form: CODE  
Representation layout: N  
Minimum Size:  
Maximum Size: 1  
Data Domain: 1                      TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours (UICC)  
2                      Durie & Salmon for multiple myeloma staging  
3                      FAB for leukaemia classification  
4                      Australian Clinico-Pathological Staging (ACPS) System  
8                      other  
9                      unknown

Guide For Use: It is recommended that the TNM Manual of the UICC be used whenever it is applicable. The classifications published in the American Joint Committee on Cancer (AJCC) Cancer Staging Manual are identical to the TNM classifications of the UICC. TNM is not applicable to all tumour sites. Staging is of limited use in acute leukaemias, although a staging system is used for chronic lymphocytic leukaemia. Separate staging systems exist for

lymphomas and myeloma. The recently published NHMRC Guidelines for the prevention, early detection and management of colorectal cancer (CRC) support the use of the Australian Clinico-Pathological Staging (ACPS) System. A table of correspondences between ACPS and TNM classifications is available.

The current edition of each staging scheme should be used.

Related metadata: relates to the data element Cancer staging - TNM stage grouping code version 1  
is used in conjunction with Staging scheme source edition number version 1

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### *Administrative Attributes*

Source Document: UICC TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours (5th Edition) (1997)

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Source Organisation: International Union Against Cancer (UICC).

FAB (French-American-British) Group.

NSW Health Department.

National Health & Medical Research Council.

Clinical Oncological Society of Australia.

Australian Cancer Network.

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### *Data Element Links*

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*Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element*

NHIM Assessment event

*Data Agreements which include this Data Element*

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