

Table I: University of Pittsburgh Staging System for Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Temporal Bone.

T Status	
T1	Tumor limited to the EAC without bony erosion or evidence of soft tissue involvement
T2	Tumor with limited EAC bone erosion (not full thickness) with limited (< 0.5 cm) soft tissue involvement
T3	Tumor eroding the osseous EAC (full thickness) with limited (< 0.5 cm) soft tissue involvement or tumor involving the middle ear, mastoid, or both
T4	Tumor eroding the cochlea, petrous apex, medial wall of the middle ear, carotid canal, or jugular foramen of dura; or with extensive soft tissue involvement (>0.5 cm), such as involvement of the temporomandibular joint or stylomastoid foramen; or with evidence of facial paresis
N Status	
N0	No regional lymph node metastasis
N1	Regional lymph node metastasis
M Status	
M1	No distant metastasis
M2	Distant metastasis