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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AA Austro-Asiatic

APC Antigen Presenting Cells

AU Arbitrary Unit

AUC Area under the curve

CAF Carcinoma Associated Fibroblast

CBA Cytometric Bead Array

CCLs C-C Motif Chemokine Ligands

CCRs C-C Chemokine Receptors

CDK Cyclin-dependent kinases

cDNA Complementary DNA

CDs Cluster of Differentiation

CI Confidence Interval

CIS protein Cytokine-inducible Src homology 2 protein

C. parvum Cryptosporidium parvum

Ct Threshold cycle

CTLA-4 Cytotoxic T-Lymphocyte-Associated Protein 4

CXCL (C–X–C motif) Ligand

CXCR CXC Chemokine Receptors

dATP Deoxy-adenosine Triphosphate

DCs Dendritic Cells

dCTP Deoxy-cytosine Triphosphate

dGTP Deoxy-guanosine Triphosphate

DNA Deoxyribo Nucleic Acid

DNMT1 DNA Methyltransferase

dTTP Deoxy-thymidine Triphosphate

ECM Extracellular Matrix

EGFR Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor

ELISA Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay

FACS Fluorescence Activated Cell Sorting

FFPE Formalin-fixed, Paraffin-embedded

FHC Family History of Cancer

Gap 1 phase G1 phase

GAPDH Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate dehydrogenase

GMCSF Granulocyte-Macrophage Colony-Stimulating Factor

GWAS Genome-Wide Association Study

Human Leukocyte Antigen **HLA**

Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma HNSCC

HPV Human Papilloma Virus

Horseradish Peroxidase **HRP**

H score Histo score

IDO Indoleamine-2,3-dioxygenase

ΙE Indo-European

Interferons **IFNs**

Interferon-gamma IFN-γ

IHC Immunohistochemistry

ILs Interleukins

Immunoglobulin-like Transcript ILT

Human inhibitory receptors Ig-like transcript 2 ILT2

Immature Myeloid Cells **IMCs**

inducible Nitric Oxide Synthase **iNOS**

IP-10 Interferon gamma-induced protein 10

Interferon Response factors IRFs

Immunoreceptor Tyrosine-Based Inhibitory Motifs **ITIMs**

Killer cell immunoglobulin-like receptor **KIR** Killer cell lectin-like receptor subfamily G

LCR Long Control Region

KLRG

LILRB1 Leukocyte immunoglobulin-like receptor subfamily

B member

MAPK Mitogen-activated protein kinase

Macrophage Colony-Stimulating Factor **MCSF**

MCPs Monocyte chemoattractant proteins

MDSCs Myeloid-Derived Suppressor cells

MgCl₂ Magnesium Chloride MHC Major Histocompatibility Complex

MFI Mean Florescence Intensity

MICA/B MHC class I chain-related protein A and B
MIF Macrophage Migration Inhibitory Factor

miR-148a MicroRNA-148 alpha MMP 2 Metalloproteinase 2

mRNA Messenger RNA

mTOR mammalian Target Of Rapamycin kinase

NE India North East India

NECHRI North East Cancer Hospital and Research Institute

NFκβ Nuclear factor-κβ

NFX Nuclear Transcription Factor, X-Box Binding

NK Natural Killer cells

NLRP Nucleotide-binding oligomerization domain,

Leucine rich Repeat and Pyrin domain containing

OD Optical Density

OR Odds Ratios

ORF Open Reading Frame

OSCC Oral squamous Cell Carcinoma

PBMs PDZ domain binding motifs

PBS Phosphate Buffer Saline

PCR Polymerase Chain Reaction

PD-1 Programmed cell death protein-1

PDL1 Programmed death-ligand

PIR-B Paired Ig-like Receptor

PRb Retinoblastoma protein

RB1 Retinoblastoma 1
RBCs Red Blood Cells

RNA Ribonucleic acid

RNS Reactive Nitrogen species
ROS Reactive Oxygen species

RQ Relative Quantification

SCS Squamous Cell Carcinomas

sHLA-G Soluble HLA-G

SNP Single nucleotide polymorphismsSOCS Suppressor of cytokine signaling

S phase Stationary phase

TAMs Tumor-Associated Macrophages
TANs Tumor Associated Neutrophils

TE Tibeto-Burman

TET Ten-eleven translocationTGF-β Tumor Growth Factor-beta

Thelper cells

TLR Toll-Like Receptor

TME Tumor Microenvironment

TNF Tumor Necrosis factor
Tp53 Tumor suppressor p53

Tregs Regulatory T cells

TSC2 Tuberous Sclerosis Complex 2

URR Upstream regulatory region

UTR Untranslated region

VEGF Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor

WHO World Health Organization