

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLES

Table S1. Mean MAF of *TERT* c.1-124C>T and *ATM* c.1236-2A>T in (A) progressive and non-progressive MIBC patients and (B) patients who died due to BC at the different follow-up time points.

A)

	Cystectomy		1 month		4 months		12 months	
	Progressive (N=10)	Non-Progressive (N= 32)	Progressive (N= 10)	Non-Progressive (N= 32)	Progressive (N= 10)	Non-Progressive (N= 32)	Progressive (N= 6)	Non-Progressive (N= 31)
<i>TERT</i> c.-124C>T	0.53* (N= 7)	0.13* (N= 11)	0.23 (N= 3)	0.15 (N= 7)	0.41 (N= 6)	0.13 (N= 14)	2.93* (N= 4)	0.06* (N= 8)
<i>ATM</i> c.1236-2A>T	0.17 (N= 3)	0.05 (N= 5)	0.00 (N= 0)	0.04 (N= 6)	0.04 (N= 1)	0.02 (N= 3)	0.15 (N= 3)	0.00 (N= 0)

*There were significant differences ($p<0.05$) between progressive and non-progressive patients.

B)

	Cystectomy		1 month		4 months		12 months	
	CSD Patients (N= 6)	Remaining Patients (N= 36)	CSD Patients (N= 6)	Remaining Patients (N= 36)	CSD Patients (N= 6)	Remaining Patients (N= 36)	CSD Patients (N= 2)	Remaining Patients (N= 35)
<i>TERT</i> c.-124C>T	0.65* (N= 5)	0.15* (N= 13)	0.33 (N= 2)	0.15 (N= 8)	0.58 (N= 4)	0.13 (N= 16)	8.46* (N= 2)	0.08* (N= 10)
<i>ATM</i> c.1236-2A>T	0.26 (N= 2)	0.05 (N= 6)	0.00 (N= 0)	0.03 (N= 6)	0.00 (N= 0)	0.03 (N= 4)	0.00 (N= 0)	0.02 (N= 3)

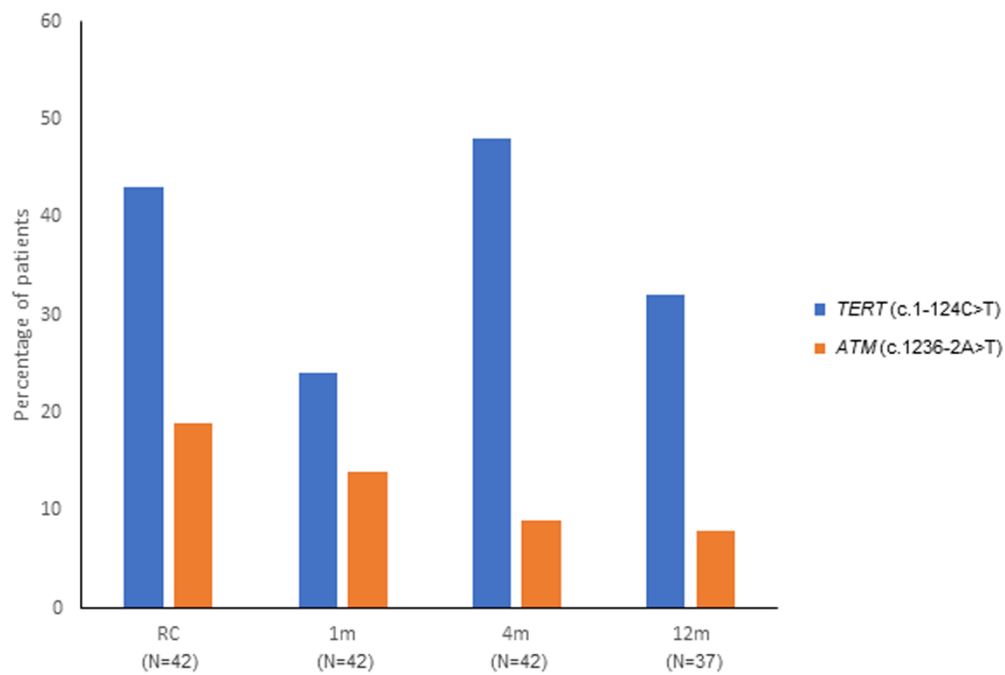
Remaining patients: patients alive or dead due to non-tumor causes.

Abbreviation: CSD, cancer-specific death

*There were significant differences ($p<0.05$) between CSD and the remaining patients.

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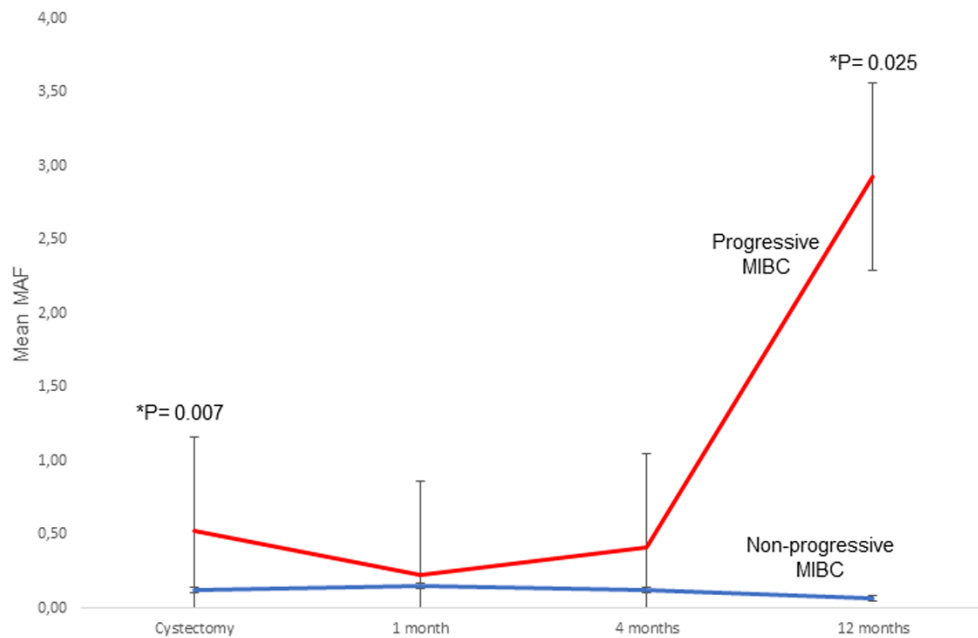
Figure S1. Percentage of patients presenting *TERT* or *ATM* mutations in cfDNA samples at different follow-up time points.



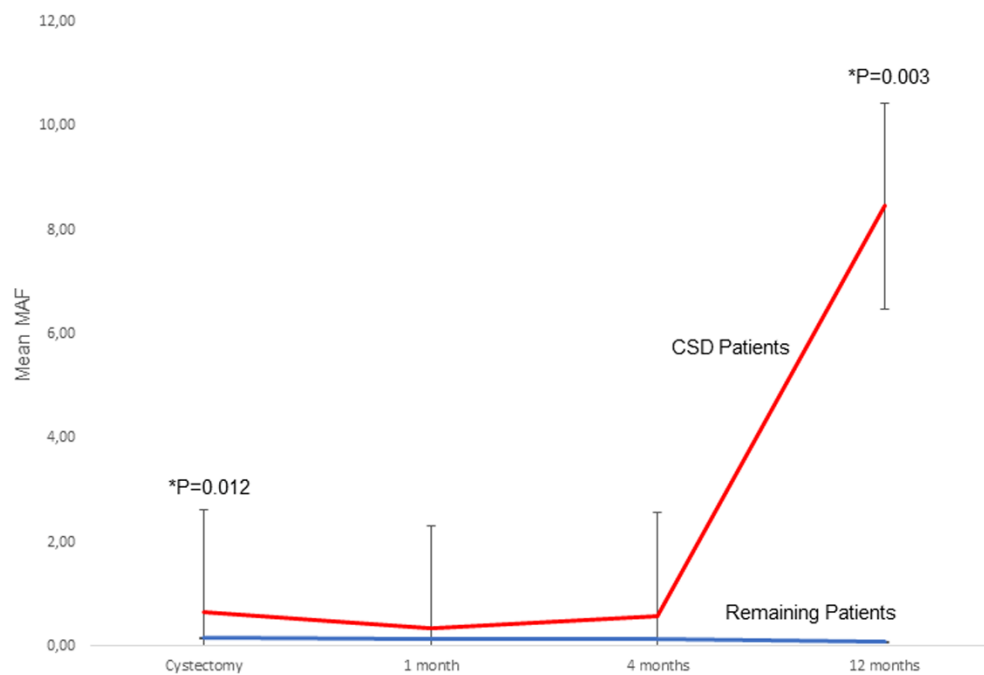
Abbreviations: RC; radical cystectomy, 1m; 1 month after RC, 4m; 4 months after RC, 12m; 12 months after RC.

Figure S2. Mean MAF of *TERT* c.1-124C>T in MIBC patients according to (A) tumor progression and (B) death occurrence at each follow-up time point.

A)



B)

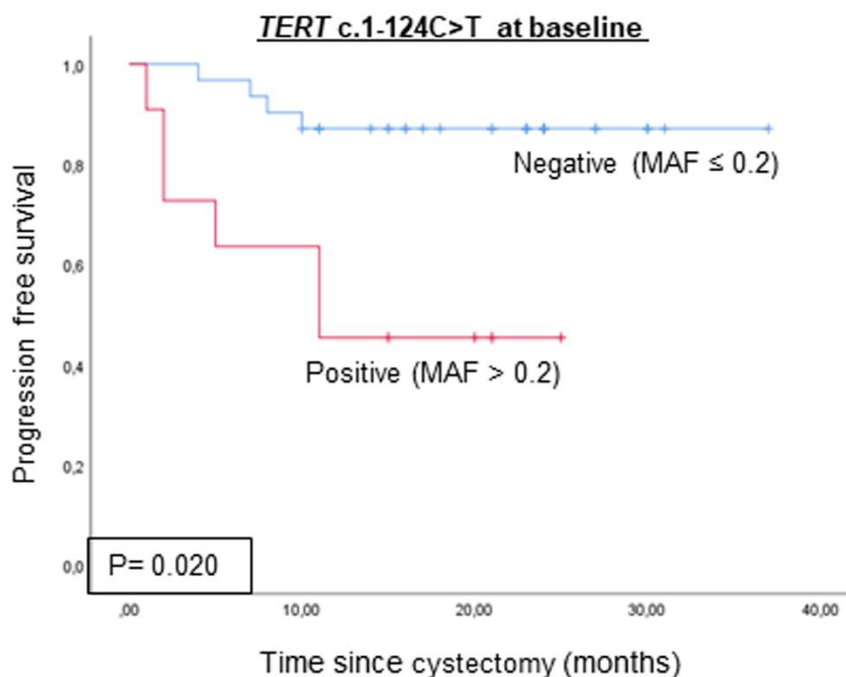


Remaining patients: patients alive or dead due to non-tumor causes.

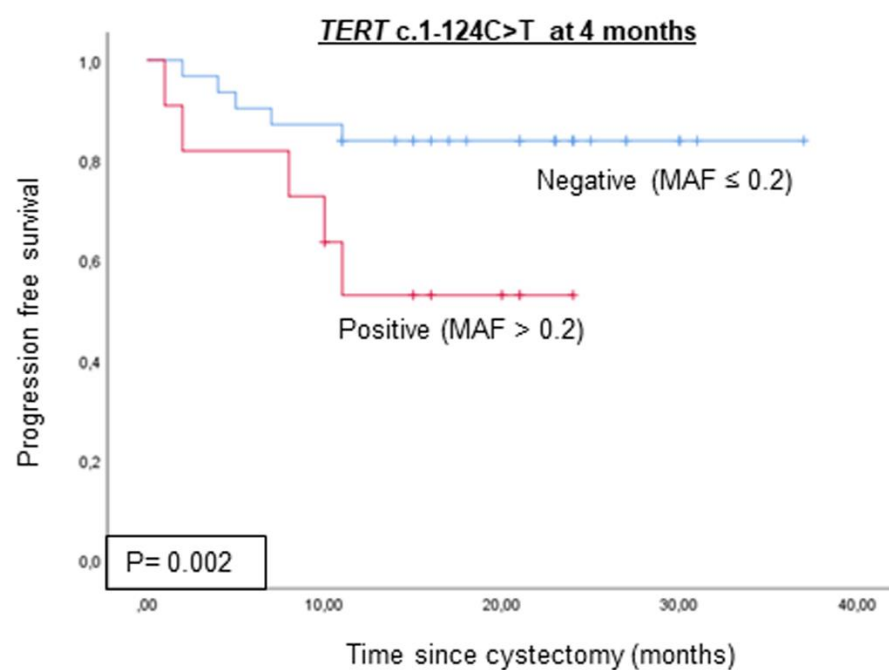
Abbreviation: CSD, cancer-specific death; MAF, mutation allele fraction.

Figure S3. Prognostic value of the *TERT* c.1-124C>T mutation at different time points. Kaplan-Meier survival analysis shows the probability of tumor progression in MIBC patients stratified by *TERT* mutation status (positive or negative) (A) at baseline and (B) four months after RC. It also shows the probability of cancer-specific survival in MIBC patients stratified by *TERT* mutation status (positive or negative) (C) at baseline and (D) four months after RC. The MAF of *TERT* c.1-124C>T above or below the cut-off is considered positive or negative, respectively.

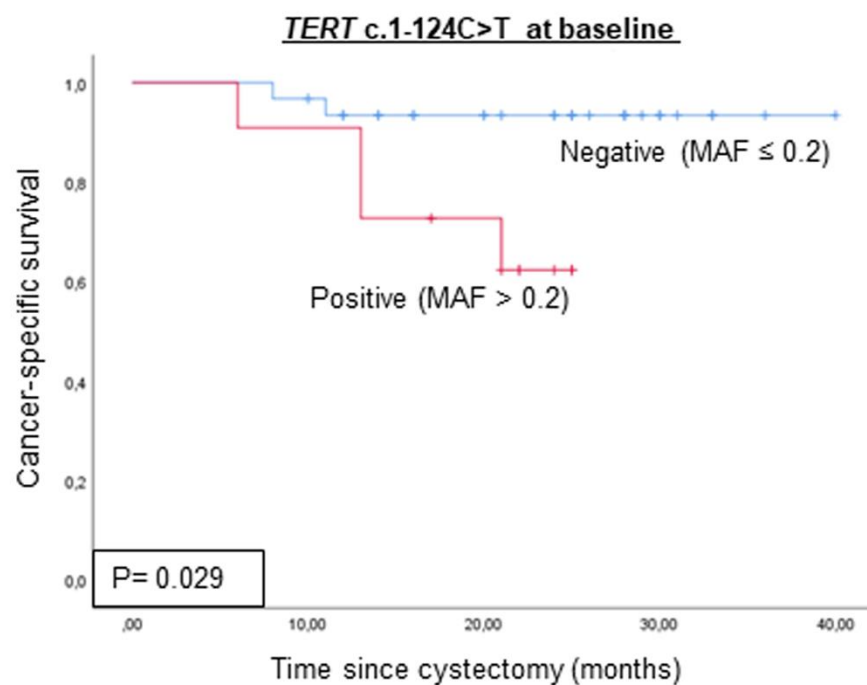
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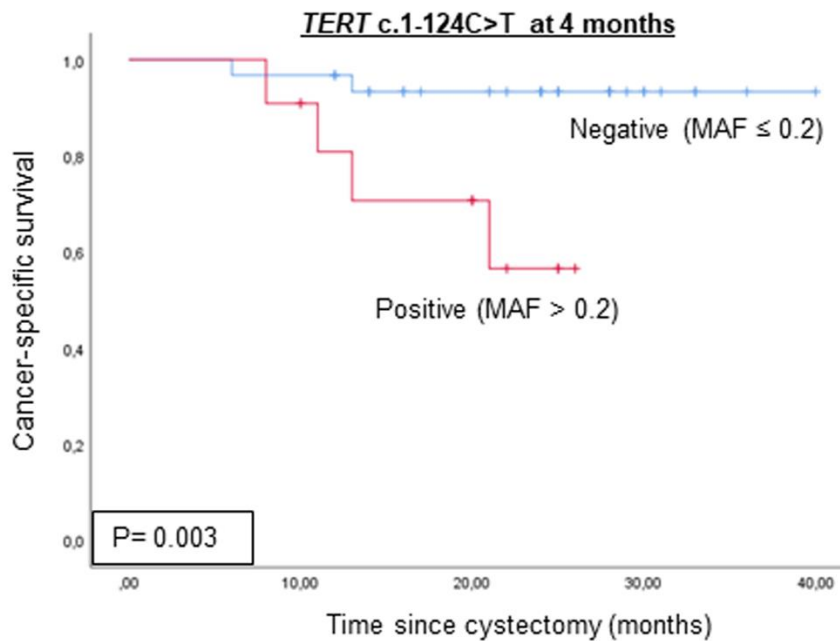
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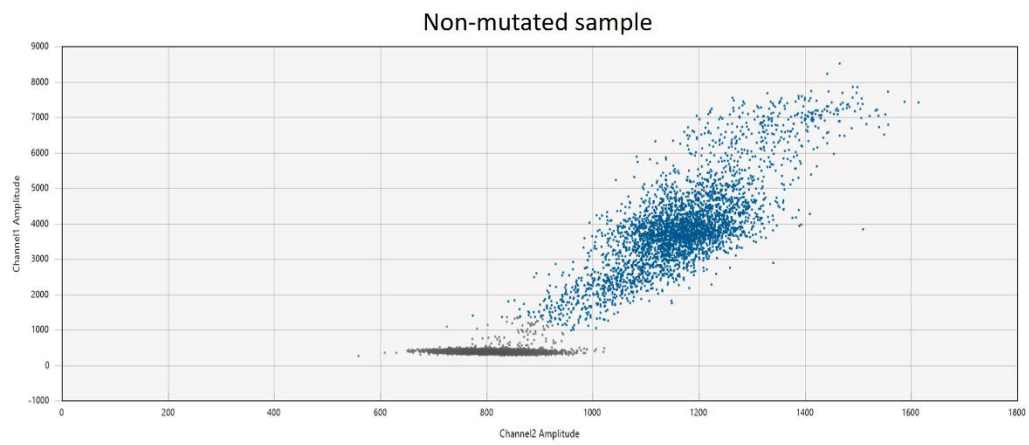
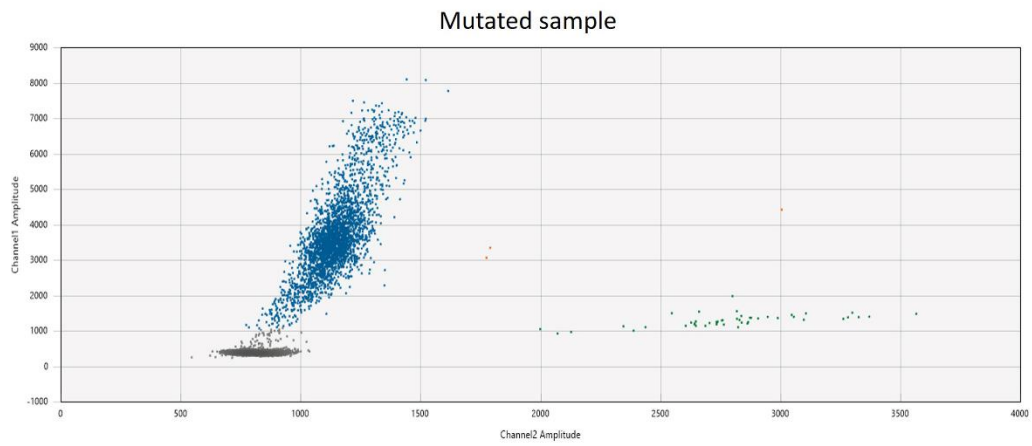
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Abbreviations: MAF, mutation allele fraction.

Figure S4. Representative two-dimensional (2D) scatter spot plots of ddPCR results analyzed through the QuantaSoft Analysis Pro Software (Bio-Rad). The 2D amplitude plots show an example of both mutated and non-mutated samples for (A) the *TERT* c.1-124C>T assay and (B) the *ATM* c.1236-2A>T assay. The y-axis shows the fluorescence amplitude of the FAM probe (Channel 1), designed to hybridize only with the wild-type allele (blue). The HEX probe, which hybridizes only with the mutant allele (green), is plotted on the x-axis (Channel 2). Double-positive droplets carrying both mutant and wild-type alleles are represented in orange, while double-negative droplets (no amplification) are shown in grey.

A) *TERT* c.1-124C>T



B) *ATM* c.1236-2A>T

