

Table 5**TNM staging for cholangiocarcinoma**

Feature	Scoring
Primary tumour (T)	<p>Tx - cannot be assessed</p> <p>T0 - no evidence of primary tumour</p> <p>T1 - solitary tumour, no vascular invasion</p> <p>T2 - solitary tumour with vascular invasion or multiple tumours all < 5 cm</p> <p>T3a - multiple tumours of any size</p> <p>T3b - single tumour or multiple tumours of any size involving a major branch of the portal or hepatic vein</p> <p>T4 - tumours with direct invasion of adjacent organs other than the gallbladder or with perforation of visceral peritoneum</p>
Regional lymph nodes (N)	<p>Nx - cannot be assessed</p> <p>N0 - no regional node metastases</p> <p>N1 - regional node metastasis</p>
Distant metastases	<p>M0 - no distant metastasis</p> <p>M1 - distant metastasis</p>