Supplemental Table 1. Characteristics between the patients categorized by week-1 level of absolute lymphocyte count in the primary cohort and propensity score-matched cohort

| | Befor | e PSM | 1:1 PSM | | | | |
|--|------------------|------------------|---------|------------------|------------------|---------|--|
| | ALC≥1500 | ALC< 1500 | p value | ALC≥1500 | ALC< 1500 | p value | |
| | n=3,523 | n=2,199 | | n=1,958 | n=1,958 | | |
| Basic characteristics | | | | | | | |
| Age, years | 67 [55–78] | 70 [59–81] | < 0.01 | 70 [59–81] | 70 [59–81] | 0.81 | |
| Sex (male) | 2217 (62.9%) | 1416 (64.4%) | < 0.01 | 1441 (64.7%) | 1416 (64.4%) | 0.81 | |
| Body mass index | 23.7 [20.8– | 22.5 [19.9–25.4] | < 0.01 | 23.0 [19.9–25.5] | 22.0 [19.9–25.4] | 0.36 | |
| CCI≥2 | 2208 (62.7%) | 1552 (70.6%) | < 0.01 | 1587 (71.3%) | 1552 (70.6%) | 0.60 | |
| Severity and managements | | | | | | | |
| APACHE II | 24 [18–29] | 26 [20–31] | < 0.01 | 26 [20–31] | 26 [20–31] | 0.31 | |
| Presence of septic shock | 539 (15.3%) | 447 (20.3%) | < 0.01 | 477 (21.4%) | 447 (20.3%) | 0.40 | |
| Receiving mechanical ventilation | 2557 (72.6%) | 1677 (76.3%) | < 0.01 | 1710 (76.8%) | 1677 (76.3%) | 0.66 | |
| Fluid balance day 1-3, positive | 2189 (62.1%) | 1495 (68.0%) | < 0.01 | 1540 (69.2%) | 1495 (68.0%) | 0.38 | |
| Blood transfusion in ICU | 1615 (45.8%) | 1329 (60.4%) | < 0.01 | 1385 (62.2%) | 1329 (60.4%) | 0.21 | |
| Main organ dysfunction/fail | ure | | | | | | |
| Acute respiratory failure | 1057 (30.0%) | 542 (24.6%) | < 0.01 | 536 (24.1%) | 542 (24.6%) | 0.63 | |
| Acute neurological disorders | 415 (11.8%) | 129 (5.9%) | < 0.01 | 128 (5.7%) | 129 (5.9%) | 0.83 | |
| Acute cardiac disorders | 324 (9.2%) | 176 (8.0%) | 0.13 | 172 (7.7%) | 176 (8.0%) | 0.73 | |
| Acute renal disorders | 148 (4.2%) | 71 (3.2%) | 0.07 | 71 (3.2%) | 71 (3.2%) | 0.91 | |
| Laboratory data | | | | | | | |
| White blood cell count (10 ³ /μL) | 13.9 [10.7–16.8] | 12.5 [9.3–15.8] | < 0.01 | 12.0 [9.5–15.6] | 13.0 [9.3–15.8] | 0.74 | |
| Albumin(g/dl) | 3.2 [2.7–3.7] | 3.0 [2.6–3.4] | < 0.01 | 3.0 [2.5–3.4] | 3.0 [2.6–3.4] | 0.33 | |
| Platelet $(10^3/\mu L)$ | 252 [206–307] | 242 [197–297] | < 0.01 | 241 [197–296] | 242 [197–297] | 0.93 | |
| Haemoglobin (g/dL) | 12.8 [11.3–14.4] | 12.3 [11.0–13.7] | < 0.01 | 12.0 [11.0–13.7] | 12.0 [11.0–13.7] | 0.41 | |
| Lactate (mg/dL) | 15.1 [11.4–19.4] | 15.3 [11.3–19.7] | 0.59 | 15.0 [11.5–19.4] | 15.0 [11.3–19.7] | 0.91 | |
| Creatinine (mg/dL) | 1.1 [0.8–1.4] | 1.1 [0.8–1.4] | 0.37 | 1.0 [0.8–1.4] | 1.0 [0.8–1.4] | 0.62 | |

Abbreviations: PSM, propensity score matching; CCI, Charlson Comorbidity Index; APACHE, acute physiology and chronic health evaluation.

Supplemental Table 2. Characteristics between the patients categorized by week-1 level of absolute lymphocyte count in the primary cohort and IPTW cohort

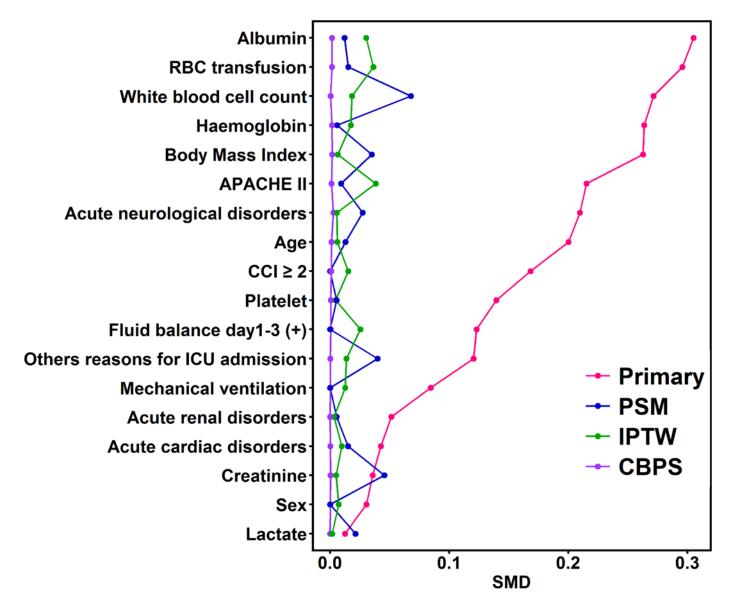
| | Before IPTW | | After IPTW | | | | |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------|------------------|------------------|---------|--|
| | ALC≥1500 | ALC< 1500 | p value | ALC≥1500 | ALC< 1500 | p value | |
| Basic characteristics | | | | | | | |
| Age, years | 68 [56–79] | 70 [59–81] | < 0.01 | 70 [58–81] | 70 [59–81] | 0.92 | |
| Sex (male) | 3033 (63.2%) | 600 (64.8%) | 0.39 | 605 (64.8%) | 600 (64.8%) | 0.99 | |
| Body mass index | 23.4 [20.6– | 22.1 [19.8–25.1] | < 0.01 | 22.0 [19.6–25.3] | 22.0 [19.8–25.1] | 0.65 | |
| CCI≥2 | 3108 (64.8%) | 652 (70.4%) | < 0.01 | 664 (71.1%) | 652 (70.4%) | 0.70 | |
| Severity and managements | | | | | | | |
| APACHE II | 24 [19–30] | 27 [21–31] | < 0.01 | 26 [21–31] | 27 [21–31] | 1.00 | |
| Presence of septic shock | 774 (16.1%) | 212 (22.9%) | < 0.01 | 217 (23.2%) | 212 (22.9%) | 0.85 | |
| Receiving mechanical ventilation | 3500 (73.0%) | 734 (79.3%) | < 0.01 | 745 (79.8%) | 734 (79.3%) | 0.70 | |
| Fluid balance day 1-3, positive | 3012 (62.8%) | 672 (72.6%) | < 0.01 | 680 (72.8%) | 672 (72.6%) | 0.89 | |
| Blood transfusion in ICU | 2347 (48.9%) | 597 (64.5%) | < 0.01 | 609 (65.2%) | 597 (64.5%) | 0.68 | |
| Main organ dysfunction/failure | , | | | | | | |
| Acute respiratory failure | 1382 (28.8%) | 217 (23.4%) | < 0.01 | 215 (23.1%) | 217 (23.4%) | 0.82 | |
| Acute neurological disorders | 514 (10.7%) | 30 (3.2%) | < 0.01 | 30 (3.2%) | 30 (3.2%) | 0.91 | |
| Acute cardiac disorders | 436 (9.1%) | 64 (6.9%) | 0.04 | 64 (6.8%) | 64 (6.9%) | 0.93 | |
| Acute renal disorders | 190 (4.0%) | 29 (3.1%) | 0.27 | 29 (3.1%) | 29 (3.1%) | 0.92 | |
| Laboratory data | | | | | | | |
| White blood cell count (10 ³ /μL) | 13.6 [10.5–16.7] | 12.0 [8.7–15.2] | < 0.01 | 12.0 [8.9–15.1] | 12.0 [8.7–15.2] | 0.73 | |
| Albumin(g/dl) | 3.1 [2.7–3.6] | 2.9 [2.5–3.4] | < 0.01 | 3.0 [2.5–3.4] | 3.0 [2.5–3.4] | 0.51 | |
| Platelet $(10^3/\mu L)$ | 251 [205–305] | 238 [193–293] | < 0.01 | 235 [194–290] | 238 [193–293] | 0.85 | |
| Haemoglobin (g/dL) | 12.7 [11.3–14.2] | 12.3 [11.0–13.6] | < 0.01 | 12.0 [10.9–13.6] | 12.0 [11.0–13.6] | 0.76 | |
| Lactate (mg/dL) | 15.1 [11.3–19.4] | 15.6 [11.5–20.1] | 0.04 | 16.0 [11.7–19.7] | 16.0 [11.5–20.1] | 0.87 | |
| Creatinine (mg/dL) | 1.1 [0.8–1.4] | 1.1 [0.8–1.4] | 0.80 | 1.0 [0.8–1.4] | 1.0 [0.8–1.4] | 0.92 | |

Abbreviations: IPTW, inverse probability of treatment weighting; CCI, Charlson Comorbidity Index; APACHE, acute physiology and chronic health evaluation.

Supplemental Table 3. Characteristics between the patients categorized by week-1 level of absolute lymphocyte count in the primary cohort and propensity score-matched cohort

| | Before PSM | | | 1:1 PSM | | | |
|--|--------------------|------------------|---------|------------------|------------------|---------|--|
| | ALC≥1000 ALC< 1000 | ALC< 1000 | p value | ALC≥1000 | ALC< 1000 | p value | |
| | n=4,796 | n=926 | | n=926 | n=926 | | |
| Basic characteristics | | | | | | | |
| Age, years | 68 [56–79] | 70 [59–81] | < 0.01 | 70 [58–81] | 70 [59–81] | 0.92 | |
| Sex (male) | 3033 (63.2%) | 600 (64.8%) | 0.39 | 605 (64.8%) | 600 (64.8%) | 0.99 | |
| Body mass index | 23.4 [20.6– | 22.1 [19.8–25.1] | < 0.01 | 22.0 [19.6–25.3] | 22.0 [19.8–25.1] | 0.65 | |
| CCI≥2 | 3108 (64.8%) | 652 (70.4%) | < 0.01 | 664 (71.1%) | 652 (70.4%) | 0.70 | |
| Severity and managements | | | | | | | |
| APACHE II | 24 [19–30] | 27 [21–31] | < 0.01 | 26 [21–31] | 27 [21–31] | 1.00 | |
| Presence of septic shock | 774 (16.1%) | 212 (22.9%) | < 0.01 | 217 (23.2%) | 212 (22.9%) | 0.85 | |
| Receiving mechanical ventilation | 3500 (73.0%) | 734 (79.3%) | < 0.01 | 745 (79.8%) | 734 (79.3%) | 0.70 | |
| Fluid balance day 1-3, positive | 3012 (62.8%) | 672 (72.6%) | < 0.01 | 680 (72.8%) | 672 (72.6%) | 0.89 | |
| Blood transfusion in ICU | 2347 (48.9%) | 597 (64.5%) | < 0.01 | 609 (65.2%) | 597 (64.5%) | 0.68 | |
| Main organ dysfunction/failure | | | | | | | |
| Acute respiratory failure | 1382 (28.8%) | 217 (23.4%) | < 0.01 | 215 (23.1%) | 217 (23.4%) | 0.82 | |
| Acute neurological disorders | 514 (10.7%) | 30 (3.2%) | < 0.01 | 30 (3.2%) | 30 (3.2%) | 0.91 | |
| Acute cardiac disorders | 436 (9.1%) | 64 (6.9%) | 0.04 | 64 (6.8%) | 64 (6.9%) | 0.93 | |
| Acute renal disorders | 190 (4.0%) | 29 (3.1%) | 0.27 | 29 (3.1%) | 29 (3.1%) | 0.92 | |
| Laboratory data | | | | | | | |
| White blood cell count (10 ³ /μL) | 13.6 [10.5–16.7] | 12.0 [8.7–15.2] | < 0.01 | 12.0 [8.9–15.1] | 12.0 [8.7–15.2] | 0.73 | |
| Albumin(g/dl) | 3.1 [2.7–3.6] | 2.9 [2.5–3.4] | < 0.01 | 3.0 [2.5–3.4] | 3.0 [2.5–3.4] | 0.51 | |
| Platelet $(10^3/\mu L)$ | 251 [205–305] | 238 [193–293] | < 0.01 | 235 [194–290] | 238 [193–293] | 0.85 | |
| Haemoglobin (g/dL) | 12.7 [11.3–14.2] | 12.3 [11.0–13.6] | < 0.01 | 12.0 [10.9–13.6] | 12.0 [11.0–13.6] | 0.76 | |
| Lactate (mg/dL) | 15.1 [11.3–19.4] | 15.6 [11.5–20.1] | 0.04 | 16.0 [11.7–19.7] | 16.0 [11.5–20.1] | 0.87 | |
| Creatinine (mg/dL) | 1.1 [0.8–1.4] | 1.1 [0.8–1.4] | 0.80 | 1.0 [0.8–1.4] | 1.0 [0.8–1.4] | 0.92 | |

Abbreviations: PSM, propensity score matching; CCI, Charlson Comorbidity Index; APACHE, acute physiology and chronic health evaluation.



Supplemental Figure 1. The standardized mean difference between the patients whose absolute lymphocyte counts were higher and lower than 1500 per μL in each cohort. Variables were ranked by the SMD. Abbreviations: SMD, standard mean difference; PSM, propensity score matching; IPTW, inverse probability of treatment weighting; CBPS, covariate balancing propensity score; APACHE, acute physiology and chronic health evaluation; BUN, blood urea nitrogen; BMI, body mass index; COPD, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.