**Supplementary Table 1**

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| **Worst toxicities (NCI CTC v.03)** | **Lapatinib (%)****N=94** | **Placebo (%)****N=27** | **P value** |
| FatigueGrade 1/2 | 41% | 28% | NS |
| RashGrade 1/2Grade 3 | 64%6% | 12%0% | p=0.001 |
| NauseaGrade 1 | 21% | 17% | NS |
| MucositisGrade 1/2 | 15% | 4% | NS |
| DiarrhoeaGrade 1/2 | 56% | 8% | p=0.001 |
| InfectionGrade 1/2Grade 3 | 6%1% | 20%0% | NS |