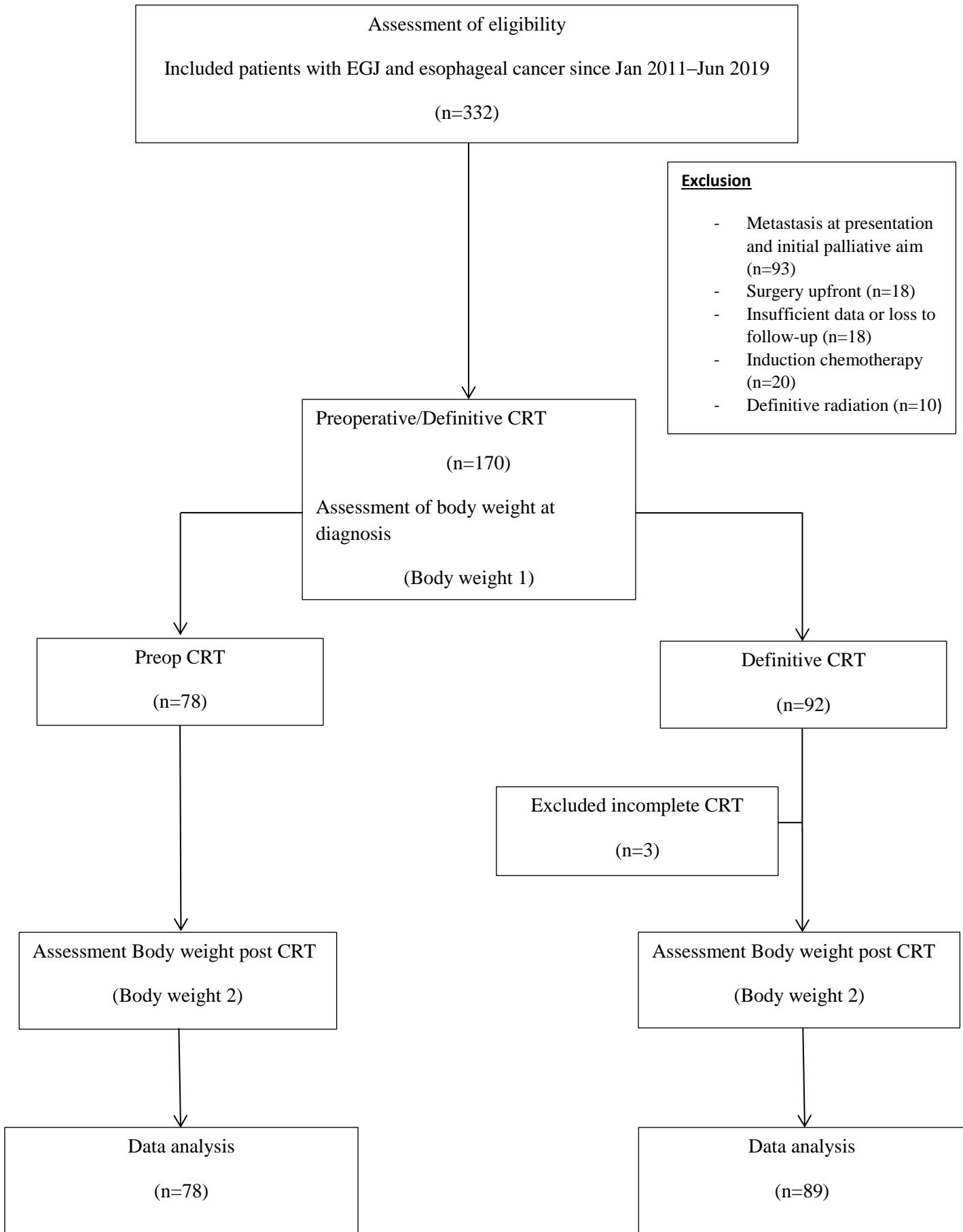


Supplement 1. Study protocol



Supplement 2. Univariate and multivariate analyses of odds ratios for predicting weight loss during CRT treatment in overall patients

Variable	Univariate			Multivariate		
	OR	95% CI	P value	OR	95% CI	P value
AGE (years) <65 vs ≥65	0.68	0.36 - 1.28	0.24	-	-	-
Sex Male vs Female	0.53	0.20-1.44	0.218	-	-	-
Stage T1-2 vs T3-4 N0 vs N+	1.83 0.70	0.86-3.89 0.32-1.52	0.115 0.372	-	-	-
Pretreatment laboratory values - Albumin > 3.0 vs ≤3.0 g/dL - Hb ≥ 10 vs <10 g/dL	0.96 0.66	0.39-2.33 0.89-1.77	0.931 0.513	-	-	-
Esophageal site upper vs - Middle - Lower - EGJ	1.49 1.86 4.26	0.71 – 3.10 0.77-4.47 0.411-44.1	0.283 0.163 0.224	-	-	-
Aim of Radiation Preop vs definitive	0.69	0.38-1.28	0.243	-	-	-
Feeding route - Oral vs feeding tube	1.35	0.975-1.87	0.07	-	-	-
Complications before treatment - No vs Yes	3.25	1.00-10.52	0.049	2.98	0.90-9.84	0.072
Concomitant chemotherapy regimen - Carboplatin/paclitaxel vs Cisplatin/5FU	2.18	1.16 – 4.07	0.015	2.07	1.09-3.94	0.026

Supplement 3. Surgical outcomes of patients undergoing preoperative CRT

Surgical outcome	LWL (n=35)	HWL(n=43)	P value
Surgery			
Yes	21(60%)	17(39.5%)	0.072
No	14(40%)	26(60.5%)	
Mean duration from start of CRT to surgery (days) + SD	94.7 + 26.01	142.8+181	0.235
Postoperative mortality after 90 days	4(19.05%)	1(5.88%)	0.233
Pathological complete response (%)	11(57.8%)	5(31.2%)	0.115