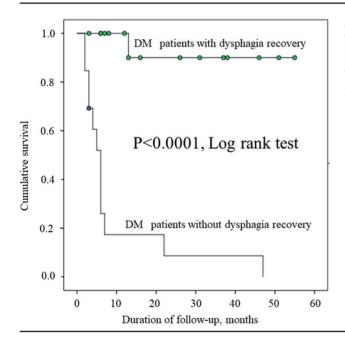
## Supplementary Table S1.

Association between the complication of dysphagia and clinical/laboratory features.

|                              | Dysphagia (+)<br>n=30 (%) | Dysphagia (-)<br>n=55 (%) | <i>p</i> -value |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Age                          | $70.3 \pm 7.6$            | 56.3 ± 14.1               | < 0.00002       |
| Sex (female)                 | 14 (47)                   | 43 (76)                   | 0.008           |
| DM onset to visit (month)    | $2.1 \pm 2.3$             | $6.2 \pm 15.4^*$          | 0.031           |
| ILD                          | 10 (33)                   | 28 (50)                   | 0.17            |
| CK max                       | $2994 \pm 2851$           | $1627 \pm 2447$           | 0.0016          |
| Cancer                       | 15 (50)                   | 15 (27)                   | 0.056           |
| MSA                          |                           |                           |                 |
| TIF1-γ                       | 17                        | 9                         | 0.0015#         |
| MDA5                         | 1                         | 9                         | 0.72#           |
| ARS                          | 0                         | 11                        | 0.052#          |
| Mi-2                         | 2                         | 10                        | 1#              |
| MJ                           | 4                         | 4**                       | 1#              |
| SAE                          | 3                         | 4**                       | 1#              |
| PM/Scl                       | 2                         | 0                         | 0.96#           |
| Negative                     | 1                         | 9                         | 0.72#           |
| Initial dose of PSL (mg/day) | $35.9 \pm 19.9$           | $33.4 \pm 18.7$           | 1#              |
| Other medications***         | 13 (43)                   | 26 (46)                   | 1#              |

<sup>\*4</sup> patients were excluded. \*\*One patient was both anti-MJ-positive and anti-SAE-positive. \*P value with Bonferroni correction. \*\*\*Other medications: intravenous steroid pulse therapy, intravenous immunoglobulin, azathioprine, tacrolimus and/or methotrexate other than oral PSL.

ARS: aminoacyl tRNA synthetase; DM: dermatomyositis; ILD: interstitial lung disease; MDA5: melanoma differentiation-associated gene 5; MSA: myositis-specific autoantibodies; PSL: prednisolone; SAE: small ubiquitin-like modifier activating enzyme.



## Supplementary Fig. S1.

Cumulative survival curves for 16 and 13 DM patients with or without recovery from dysphagia, respectively.

DM: dermatomyositis