

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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<b>Language quality</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
<b>Conclusion</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
<b>Re-review</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Peer-reviewer statements</b>	Peer-Review: <input type="checkbox"/> Anonymous <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Onymous Conflicts-of-Interest: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No



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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The topic of this manuscript falls within the scope of World Journal of Clinical Cases. The Authors describe a case of skin recurrence and lymph node metastases of papillary thyroid carcinoma from needle tract implantation after core needle biopsy performed 10 years earlier. Case presentation is good. Discussion is well organized. Complete the References.

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## **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The authors report a case of neck peri-postthyroid-ectomy scar nodular recurrence of papillary thyroid carcinoma 10 years after the initial tumor (resection). The case is of interest, the peculiarities should be better pointed out. The authors could detail the data on the lymph node metastases found: size of these lymph nodes (and comparison to the periscar nodule). The authors could detail the microscopy description: could the periscar nodule correspond to a lymph node metastasis destructing completely the lymph node? did the authors detect vascular emboli? The initial right thyroid lobe tumor could be described: size, subcapsular?, similar. Did the authors examine the left thyroid lobe? Long and complex sentences (ex "In this study //") should be simplified: 1 idea/1 sentence. Examples of words/phrases to reformulate ""presents indolent features" paucisymptomatic? "her neck" the neck of the patient "thyroid lobectomy due to PTC" for PTC The Figures could be better presented: arrows could be added to the ultrasound examination photographs (as well as to the microscopy photographs). Past tenses should be used for original data (ex Figure legends). References: please verify for uniform format, ex ref 4.

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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

It is a good case report about late recurrence of papillary thyroid cancer from needle tract implantation after core needle biopsy. They report recurrence of papillary thyroid cancer after lobectomy in subcutaneous area clinically suspicious for needle tract implantation after core needle biopsy, combined with lymph node metastasis. Needle tract implantation from fine needle aspiration cytology it has been reported. However, until now needle tract implantation from core needle biopsy has not yet been investigated. Thus, further studies are needed to compare core-needle biopsy and fine-needle aspiration.

## RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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The changes that have been included in the revised manuscript have made it even better.