

**Specific point to point replies to the reviewer.**

The reviewer suggested to include two references:

- 1) The first one is entitled "Neuroendocrine tumors are rarely seen tumors" which according to the reviewer is available at *Turkiye Klinikleri J Gen Surg-Special Topics* 2018;11(2):112-4. The journal is Turkish and is not provided neither by PubMed nor by Google. We are not able to trace the above reference at the internet and this is the reason that we did not to include it at the present Editorial.
- 2) The second suggested reference is: (<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijsu.2018.04.037>). This paper published by Isik A et al. at *Int J Surg.* 2018 Jun;54(Pt A):100-104. Epub 2018 Apr 28, is entitled: "A survey of current approaches to thyroid nodules and thyroid operations". We added a meaning and the reference suggested by the reviewer