

PEER-REVIEW REPORT

Name of journal: *World Journal of Clinical Cases*

Manuscript NO: 84206

Title: Solitary thyroid gland metastasis from rectum cancer: A case report and review of literature

Provenance and peer review: Unsolicited Manuscript; Externally peer reviewed

Peer-review model: Single blind

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Scientific quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Do not publish
Novelty of this manuscript	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: No novelty
Creativity or innovation of this manuscript	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: No creativity or innovation

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

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors should mention the following: 1) This patient did not receive postoperative adjuvant chemotherapy after surgery for rectal cancer (T3N1M0 (stage IIIB)). Was this because the patient did not want chemotherapy or because the attending physician decided it was unnecessary? (2) This patient was treated with capecitabine alone after distant metastasis to the thyroid gland (stage IV) was found. However, the patient subsequently developed needle track seeding and lung metastasis. Was the choice of chemotherapy after thyroid surgery appropriate?

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Thank you for the possibility to review the manuscript titled: "Solitary thyroid gland metastasis from rectum cancer: A case report and review of literature". The manuscript is interesting and easy to read. The case is indeed interesting and there are only incidental findings of metastasis to the thyroid gland. There are only minor comments:

- Please discuss why metastasis to the thyroid gland are rarely encountered (absent of screening, small gland compared to other organs etc.)
- Table 2 is hard to comprehend. Perhaps it is better to present it as a supplemental table as it is large. Please take into account the recommendations in the spirit of improving the quality of the submission.