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## SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The current review manuscript describes combined information on lingual lymph nodes.

Authors collected data on the node's surgical anatomy, clinical observations, diagnostics, and prognostic value from Japanese and English language sources. The review is interesting and properly designed. Comprehensive information is presented, however the review is not systematic. The main importance is linked to oral carcinomas and metastasis. However, there are several issues that should be addressed/improved. Manuscript requires serious editing. English grammar and style should be corrected and improved. For instance, the very 1st sentence in the abstract contains mistakes ("Lingual lymph nodes is an inconstant group of ...." – should be "Lingual lymph nodes are an inconstant group ...". Or "Lingual lymph nodes represent an inconstant group...". It is obvious that authors are from Russia and it is unclear why Russian-language sources were not included in this review; I found only one ref 9 reported. The value of this review will be increased if at least some sources (published in Russian language) will be included to this review. The sources published in Russian are not easily accessible for the rest of the world and thus, the authors will do a great job making them available (at least in the form of review). It is surprising that those Russian sources were neglected. The review is not systematic. It is necessary to inform the reader how the information was selected for this review ( extend the Introduction section). What sources were used( PubMed, Scopus)? How the Table 1 was constructed? How did you select the most relevant sources? What key wards were used during your search/selection? References 38 and 39 are missing from the reference list. The source of anatomical figures is unclear. Are they original? Is copyright required? Is drawing was prepared by the authors themselves? The table can be extended if authors include Russian language sources.

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1) The review presents a methodology in the abstract. However, this section does not



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appear in the text. I was unable to understand the selection of bibliographies in English and Japanese. 2) The introduction can be better developed and articulated. 3) English needs revision.

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