**Supplement Table** Numbers of benign and malignant nodules

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| Pathology | Number |
| Benign | Nodular goiter | 313 |
|  | Hashimoto thyroiditis | 39 |
|  | Follicular adenoma | 22 |
| Malignant | Papillary thyroid carcinoma | 617 |
|  | Medullary thyroid carcinoma | 15 |
|  | Follicular thyroid carcinoma | 10 |