

Supplementary

Table S1 Diagnosis results of sTg in PTC with LLNM

Diagnostic procedures	Outcome	Pathology results		Total
		Metastatic	Nonmetastatic	
sTg >17.31 ng/mL	Positive	83	5	88
	Negative	23	14	37
	Total	106	19	125

sTg, serum thyroglobulin; PTC, papillary thyroid carcinoma; LLNM, lateral cervical lymph node metastasis.

Table S2 FNA-Tg results with different cutoff value

Diagnostic procedures	Outcome	Pathology results		Total
		Metastatic	Nonmetastatic	
FNA-Tg >1.00 ng/mL	Positive	99	3	102
	Negative	7	16	23
	Total	106	19	125
FNA-Tg/sTg >1	Positive	77	1	78
	Negative	29	18	47
	Total	106	19	125
FNA-Tg >4.565 ng/mL	Positive	95	0	95
	Negative	11	19	30
	Total	106	19	125

FNA-Tg, fine needle aspiration washout fluid thyroglobulin; sTg, serum thyroglobulin.