



# Die ATA-Leitlinien aus europäischer/österreichischer Sicht

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# Trends in Thyroid Cancer Incidence and Mortality in the United States, 1974-2013

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77 276 TC patients diagnosed during 1974-2013

2371 TC related deaths during 1994-2013

3,6% annual increase in incidence

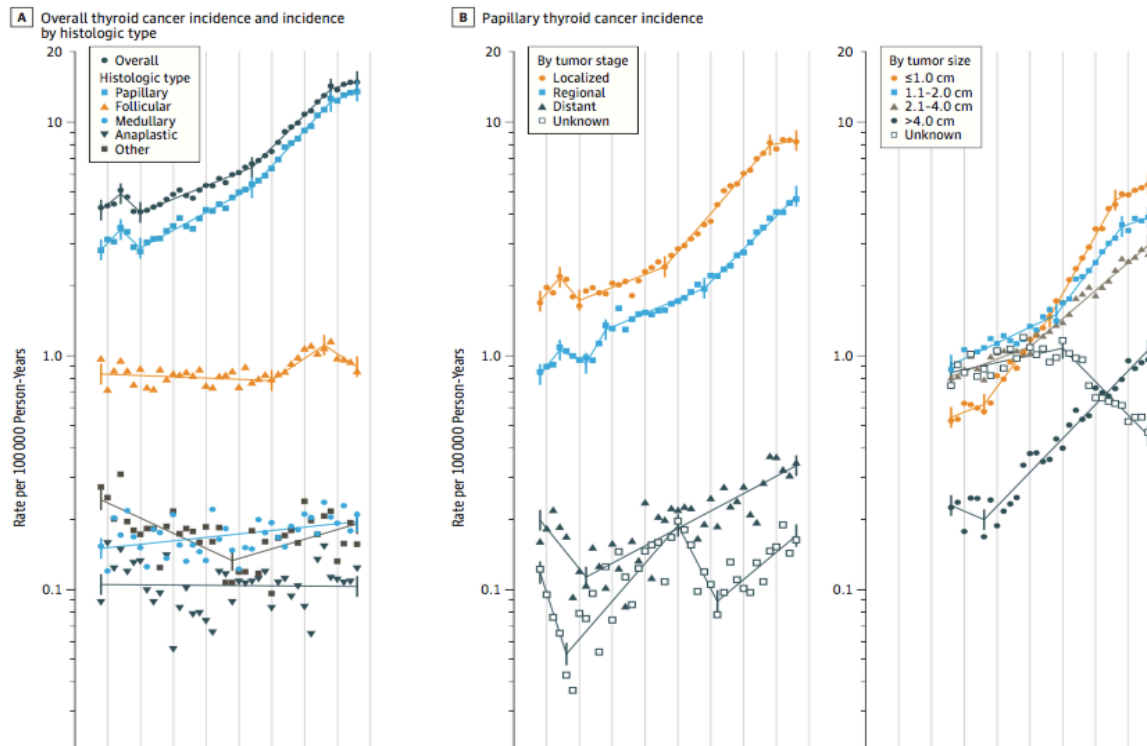
1,1% annual increase in mortality

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# 3,6% annual increase in incidence

Figure 1. Trends in Annual Thyroid Cancer Incidence Rates

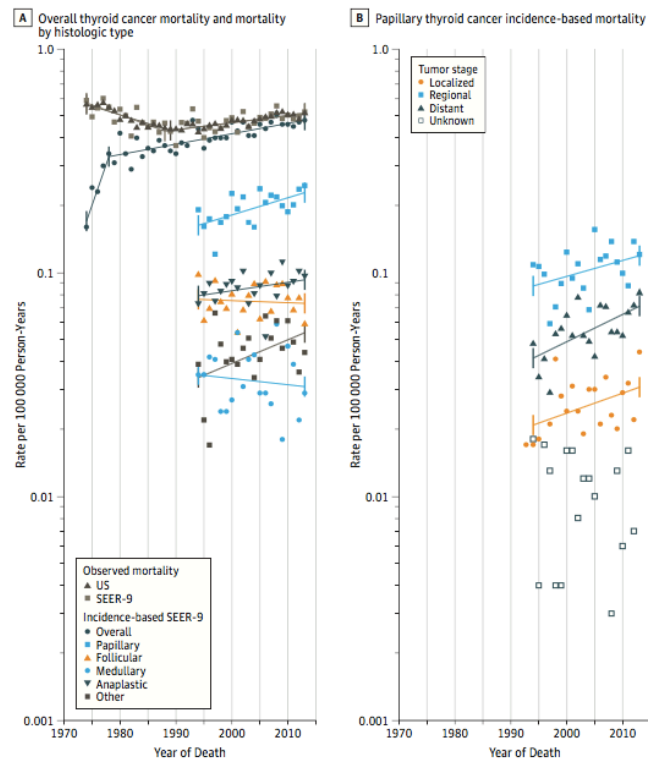


2,4% for advanced PTC

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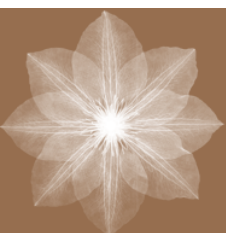
# 1,1% annual increase in mortality

Figure 2. Trends in Annual Thyroid Cancer Mortality Rates



2,9% for patients diagnosed with advanced PTC

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# 2015 American Thyroid Association Management Guidelines for Adult Patients with Thyroid Nodules and Differentiated Thyroid Cancer

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# European perspective on the 2015 American Thyroid Association Management Guidelines for Adult Patients with Thyroid Nodules and Differentiated Thyroid Cancer. Proceedings of an interactive international symposium.



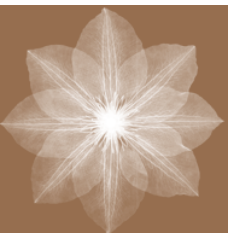
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## EDITORIAL

### **Why the European Association of Nuclear Medicine has declined to endorse the 2015 American Thyroid Association management guidelines for adult patients with thyroid nodules and differentiated thyroid cancer**

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# Thyroid nodules

## ■RECOMMENDATION 2

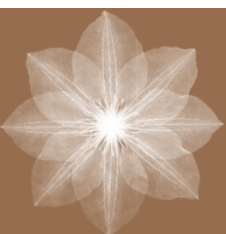
(B) If the serum TSH is subnormal, a radionuclide (preferably  $^{123}\text{I}$ ) thyroid scan should be performed.

**(Strong recommendation, Moderate-quality evidence)**

(C) If the serum TSH is normal or elevated, a radionuclide scan should not be performed as the initial imaging evaluation.

**(Strong recommendation, Moderate-quality evidence)**





# Sonography

## ■ RECOMMENDATION 6

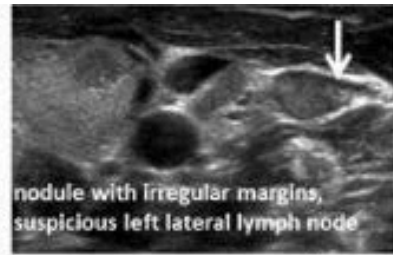
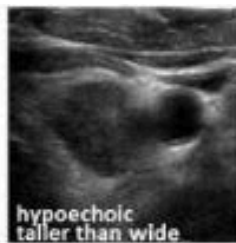
Thyroid sonography **with survey of the cervical lymph nodes** should be performed in all patients with known or suspected thyroid nodules.

**(Strong recommendation, High-quality evidence)**

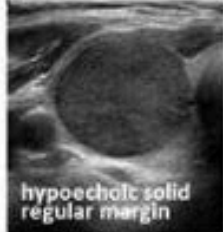




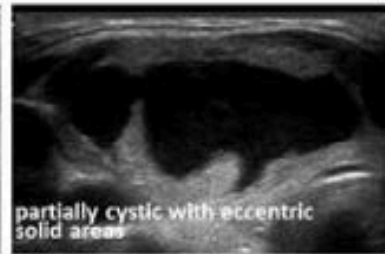
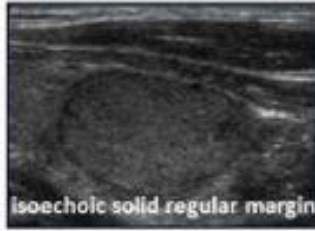
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Intermediate  
Suspicion  
10-20%



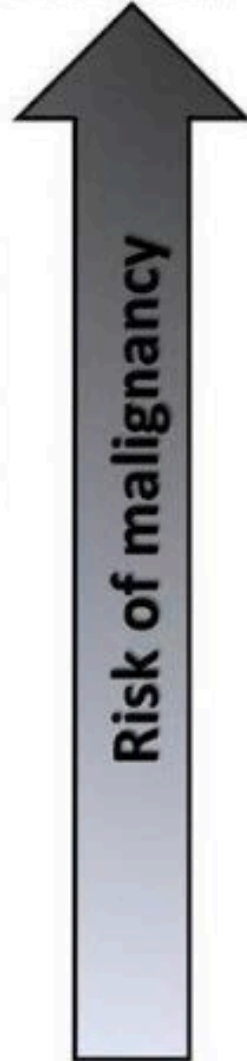
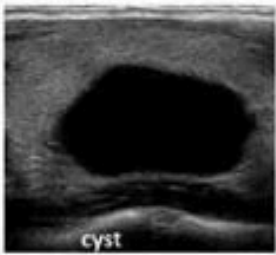
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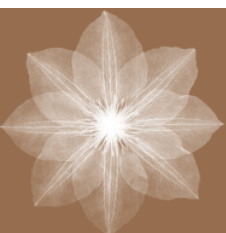


Very low  
Suspicion  
<3%



Benign  
<1%





# FNA

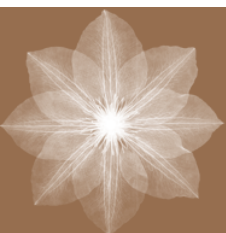


## ■RECOMMENDATION 8

Sonographic Pattern	Estimated malignancy risk	Biopsy suggested
High suspicion	>70-90%	$\geq 1$ cm
Intermediate suspicion	10-20%	$\geq 1$ cm
Low suspicion	5-10%	$\geq 1.5$ cm
Very low suspicion	< 3%	$\geq 2$ cm*
Benign	< 1%	No biopsy

**\*Biopsy considered, surveillance as reasonable alternative**

**FNA is not recommended for nodules that do not meet the above criteria, including all nodules < 1 cm**



# Cytology

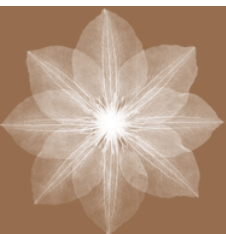


## ■ RECOMMENDATION 9

Thyroid nodule FNA cytology should be reported using diagnostic groups outlined in the **Bethesda System** for Reporting Thyroid Cytopathology.

Diagnostic Category	Risk of Malignancy (%)
Non-diagnostic or Unsatisfactory	
Benign	0-3%
<u>Atypia of Undetermined Significance or Follicular Lesion of Undetermined Significance (AUS/FLUS)</u>	<u>~ 5-15%</u>
<u>Follicular Neoplasm or Suspicious for a Follicular Neoplasm (Specify if Hurthle type or Oncocytic)</u>	<u>15-30%</u>
Suspicious for Malignancy	60-75%
Malignant	97-99%

**Strong recommendation, Moderate-quality evidence**



## Surgery for malignancy

### ■ RECOMMENDATION 35

(A) Near-total or **total thyroidectomy** for patients with **thyroid cancer** **>4 cm**, or with gross extrathyroidal extension (**clinical T4**), or clinically apparent metastatic disease to nodes (**clinical N1**) or distant sites **clinical M1**),

**(Strong recommendation, Moderate-quality evidence)**

(B) ...Thyroid **lobectomy** alone **may** be sufficient initial treatment for **low-risk carcinomas (>1 cm and <4 cm** without extrathyroidal extension, and without clinical evidence of any lymph node metastases (**cN0**)) ; however, the treatment team may choose total thyroidectomy to enable RAI therapy or to enhance follow-up based upon disease features and/or patient preferences.



**(Strong recommendation, Moderate-quality evidence)**

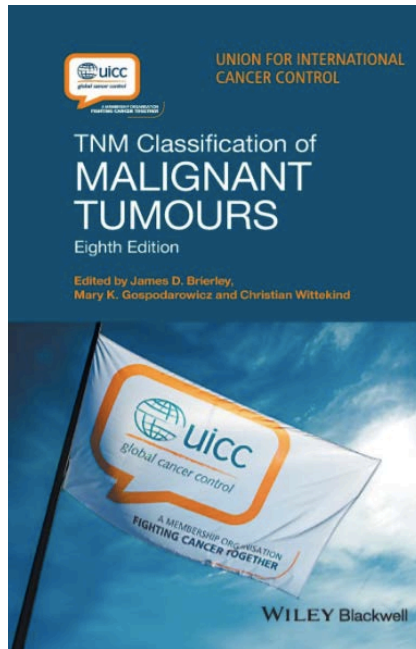


(C) Thyroid **lobectomy** alone **is** sufficient treatment **for small, unifocal**, intrathyroidal carcinomas in the absence of prior head and neck

# Radioiodine

## ■ RECOMMENDATION 51

ATA recurrence risk Staging	Description	Grade of Recommendation	Quality of Evidence	RAI indicated?
<b>microPTC</b>	Tumor size $\leq 1$ cm (unifocal) (multifocal)	<b>Strong</b>  <b>Weak</b>	<b>Moderate</b>  <b>Low</b>	No
<b>low risk</b>	Tumor size > 1 - < 4 cm	<b>Weak</b>	 <b>Low</b>	Not routine
<b>high risk</b>	gross extrathy. extension, large Lnn , R1	<b>Strong</b>	<b>Moderate</b>	Routinely recommended
<b>intermediate risk</b>	Microscopic extra thy. extension, aggressive histology	<b>Weak</b>	 <b>Low</b>	Should be considered



## The Updated AJCC/TNM Staging System for Differentiated and Anaplastic Thyroid Cancer (8<sup>th</sup> edition): What changed and why?

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Thyroid. 2017 Jun;27(6):751-756.

## The Updated AJCC/TNM Staging System for Differentiated and Anaplastic Thyroid Cancer

(8<sup>th</sup> edition): What changed and why?



- Minor extrathyroidal extension detected only on histological examination was removed from the definition of T3 disease and therefore has no impact on either T category or overall stage.
- T3a is a new category for tumors > 4 cm confined to the thyroid gland
- T3b is a new category for tumors of any size demonstrating gross extrathyroidal extension into strap muscles (sternohyoid, sternothyroid, thyrohyoid, or omohyoid muscles) (AJCC Cancer Staging Manual, 8th ed. (2017):751-756.



## RAI activity

### ■ RECOMMENDATION 55 **Ablation**

A low administered activity of approximately **30 mCi (1,1 GBq)** is generally favored over higher administered activities.

**(Strong recommendation, High-quality evidence)**

Higher administered activities may need to be considered for patients receiving less than a total or near-total thyroidectomy in which a larger remnant is suspected or in which adjuvant therapy is intended.

**(Weak recommendation, Low-quality evidence)**

### ■ RECOMMENDATION 56 **Adjuvant therapy**

Administered activities above those used for remnant ablation **up to 150 mCi (5,5 GBq)** are generally recommended (in absence of known distant metastases).

**(Weak recommendation, Low-quality evidence)**





# rhTSH

## ■ RECOMMENDATION 54

(A) In patients with ATA low-risk and ATA intermediate-risk DTC **without extensive lymph node involvement** rhTSH stimulation is an **acceptable alternative**, based on evidence of superior short-term quality of life, noninferiority of remnant ablation efficacy, and multiple consistent observations suggesting no significant difference in long-term outcomes.

**(Strong recommendation, Moderate-quality evidence)**

(B) In patients with ATA intermediate-risk DTC who have **extensive lymph node disease** (multiple clinically involved LN) in the absence of distant metastases, preparation with rhTSH stimulation **may be considered as an alternative** prior to adjuvant RAI treatment.

**(Weak recommendation, Low-quality evidence)**

(C) In patients with ATA **high-risk** DTC more controlled data from outcome studies are needed before rhTSH preparation can be recommended.

**(No recommendation, Insufficient evidence)**



(D) In patients with DTC of any risk level with significant **comorbidity** that may preclude thyroid hormone withdrawal prior to iodine RAI administration, rhTSH preparation should be considered.

**(Strong recommendation, Low-quality evidence)**



# ATA Dynamic Risk Stratification

= Reclassification according to response to therapy

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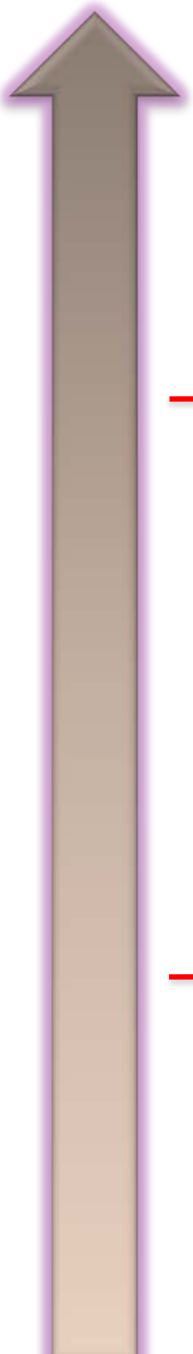
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**High risk**  
*Gross extrathyroidal extension,  
incomplete tumor resection  
or lymph node >3 cm*

**Intermediate risk**  
*Aggressive histology, minor extrathyroidal  
extension, vascular invasion  
or >5 involved lymph nodes (0.2-3 cm)*

**Low risk**  
*Intrathyroidal DTC,  
≤5 LN micrometastases (<0.2 cm)*



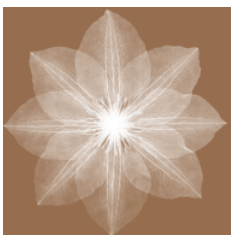
FTC, extensive vascular invasion (~30-55%)  
pT4a gross ETE (~30-40%) **>30%**  
pN1 with extranodal extension, >3LN involved (~40%)  
PTC, >1cm, TERT mutated ± BRAF mutated\* (>40%)  
pN1, any LN >3cm (~30%)  
PTC, extrathyroidal, BRAF mutated\* (~10-40%)

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PTC, vascular invasion (~15-30%)  
Clinical N1 (~20%) **5%-30%**  
pN1, >5 LN involved (~20%)  
Intrathyroidal PTC, <4cm, BRAF mutated\* (~10%)  
pT3 minor ETE (~3-8%)  
pN1, all LN <0.2 cm (~5%)  
pN1, ≤5 LN involved (~5%)  
Intrathyroidal PTC, 2-4cm (~5%)  
Multifocal PMC (~4-6%)

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pN1 without extranodal extension, ≤3LN involved (~2%)  
Minimally invasive FTC (~2-3%) **<5%**  
Intrathyroidal, BRAF wild type\* (~1-2%)  
Intrathyroidal, unifocal PMC, BRAF mutated\* (~1-2%)  
Intrathyroidal, encapsulated, FV-PTC (~1-2%)  
Unifocal PMC (~1-2%)



# ATA Dynamic Risk Stratification

## **Excellent response =**

no clinical, biochemical, or structural evidence of disease

## **Biochemical incomplete response =**

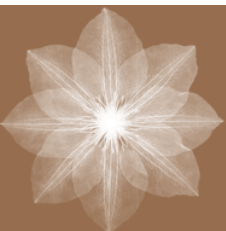
abnormal Tg or rising anti-Tg antibody levels in the absence of localizable disease.

## **Structural incomplete response =**

persistent or newly identified loco-regional disease or distant metastases

## **Indeterminate response =**

nonspecific biochemical or structural findings that cannot be confidently classified as either benign or malignant. This includes patients with stable or declining anti-Tg antibody levels without definitive structural evidence of disease.



# TSH - Suppression

	Increasing risk of TSH suppression	Excellent	Indeterminate	Biochemical Incomplete**	Structural incomplete
↓	No known risk				
	Menopause				
	Tachycardia				
	Osteopenia				
	Age > 60				
	Osteoporosis				
	Atrial fibrillation				

\* - 0.5 mU/L represents the lower limit of the reference range for the TSH assay which can be 0.3-0.5 mU/L depending on the specific assay

\*\* - TSH target for patients with a biochemical incomplete response can be quite different based on original ATA risk, Tg level, Tg trend over time and risk of TSH suppression



No suppression. TSH target 0.5\*-2.0 mU/L



Mild suppression. TSH target 0.1-0.5\* mU/L



Moderate or Complete suppression. TSH target <0.1 mU/L



# Follow Up (Stimulation Test)



## ■ RECOMMENDATION 63

(A) In ATA low-risk and intermediate-risk patients who have had remnant ablation or adjuvant therapy and negative cervical US, serum Tg should be measured at 6–18 months on thyroxine therapy with a sensitive Tg assay ( $<0.2$  ng/mL) or after TSH stimulation.

**(Strong recommendation, Moderate-quality evidence)**

(B) Repeat TSH-stimulated Tg testing is not recommended for low- and intermediate-risk patients with an excellent response to therapy.

**(Weak recommendation, Low-quality evidence)**

(C) Subsequent TSH-stimulated Tg testing may be considered in patients with an indeterminate, biochemical incomplete, or structural incomplete response following either additional therapies or a spontaneous decline in Tg values on thyroid hormone therapy over time.

**(Weak recommendation, Low-quality evidence)**



## Follow Up (WBS )

### ■RECOMMENDATION 66

After the first posttreatment WBS following RAI remnant ablation or adjuvant therapy, **low-risk and intermediate-risk patients** with an undetectable Tg on thyroid hormone with negative anti-Tg antibodies and a negative US **do not require routine diagnostic WBS** during follow-up.

**(Strong recommendation, Moderate-quality evidence)**

### ■ RECOMMENDATION 67

(A) Diagnostic WBS, either following thyroid hormone withdrawal or rhTSH, 6–12 months after adjuvant RAI therapy **can be useful** in the follow-up of patients with **high or intermediate risk** of persistence and should be done with  $^{123}\text{I}$  or low activity  $^{131}\text{I}$ .

**(Strong recommendation, Low-quality evidence)**

(B) **SPECT/CT** imaging is preferred over planar imaging in patients with uptake on WBS to better anatomically localize the RAI uptake.

**(Weak recommendation, Moderate-quality evidence)**

## 48jährige Patientin.

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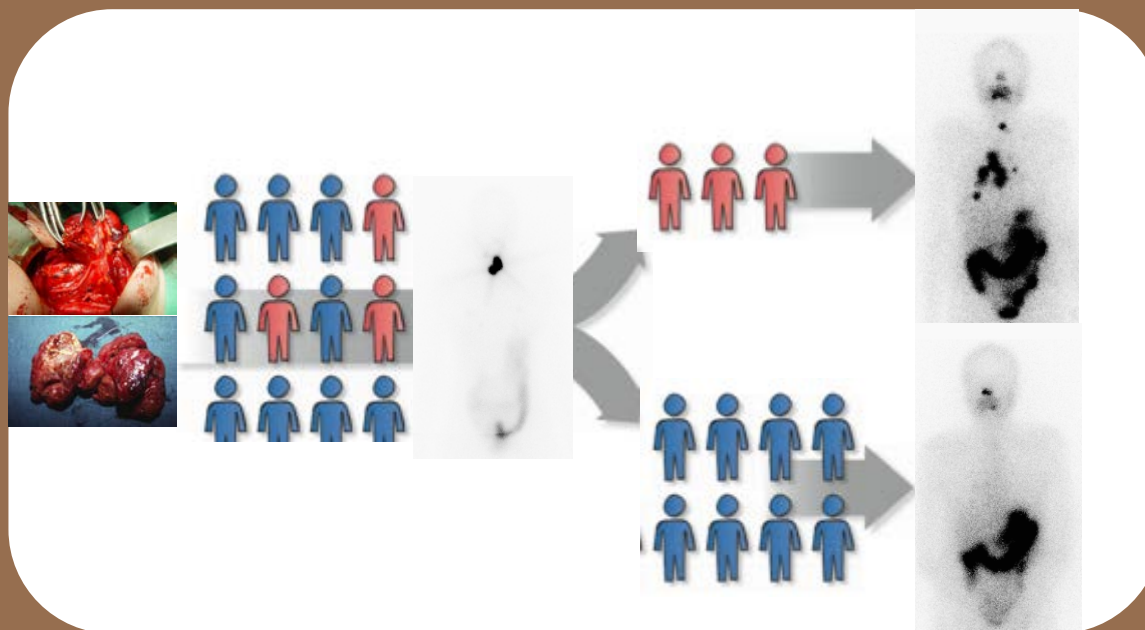
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