

# The launch of a special issue on “Neck Dissection in Differentiated Thyroid Carcinoma” in *Gland Surgery*

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Given the high incidence of cervical lymph node metastasis in differentiated thyroid cancer (DTC) and the rapidly increased importance of neck dissection in DTC, the journal of *Gland Surgery* is launching a special issue on “Neck Dissection in Differentiated Thyroid Carcinoma” in November Issue of 2013, inviting Dr. Xinying Li from Xiangya Hospital, China, as the guest editor.

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In this special issue of “Neck Dissection in Differentiated Thyroid Carcinoma”, the guest editor Dr. Xinying Li, together with experts from different countries, shared their knowledge and experience in neck dissection for DTC with us. Besides seven up-to-date review articles discussing diverse aspects of neck dissection in DTC surgery, the special issue also includes a Surgical Technique article revealing safeguards and pitfalls in neck dissection and a Visualized Surgery article demonstrating the surgical approaches in parathyroid adenoma resections. With preview of content as follows, we hope this issue will serve as a practical handbook of neck dissection in DTC.

#### ❖ Preface

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#### Review Articles

- ❖ The potential role of BRAF mutation in the decision to perform elective neck dissection for thyroid cancer  
*Bon Seok Koo*; Chungnam National University, South Korea
- ❖ Neck dissection with cervical sensory preservation in thyroid cancer

*Guang Chen*; The First Hospital of Jilin University, China

- ❖ The pros and cons of routine central compartment neck dissection for clinically nodal negative (cN0) papillary thyroid cancer  
*Ai Chen Chan, Brian Hung Hin Lang, Kai Pun Wong*; The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, China
- ❖ Involvement of level IIb lymph node metastasis and dissection in thyroid cancer  
*Yusuf Vayisoglu, Cengiz Ozcan*; Mersin University, Turkey
- ❖ The benefit of prophylactic central neck dissection in papillary thyroid carcinoma  
*Anthony Glover, Justin S Gundara, Olov Norlén, James C Lee, Stan B Sidhu*; University of Sydney, St Leonards, Australia
- ❖ The effect of neck dissection on quality of life in patients with differentiated thyroid cancer  
*Rossen S. Dimov*; Medical University-Plovdiv, Bulgaria

#### Surgical Techniques

- ❖ Critical surgical steps and potential mistakes in modified radical neck dissection  
*Antonio Sitges Serra*; Hospital del Mar, Spain

#### Visualized Surgery

- ❖ Different Surgical Approaches in Parathyroid Adenoma Resections  
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