

**Supplemental Table S2.** Clinicopathological Characteristics of Patients with Papillary Thyroid Microcarcinoma Subjected to Immunohistochemical Staining

Characteristic	CHA		P value
	N0	N1b	
Number	13	12	
Age, yr	48.97±9.32	40.96±9.15	0.041
Male sex	5 (38.5)	6 (50.0)	0.562
Tumor size, cm	0.8±0.1	0.8±0.1	0.869
Number of tumors			0.138
1	9 (69.2)	3 (25.0)	
2	2 (15.4)	3 (25.0)	
3	1 (7.7)	2 (16.7)	
≥4	1 (7.7)	4 (33.3)	
Multifocality	4 (30.8)	9 (75.0)	0.027
One lobe	2 (15.4)	4 (33.3)	0.098
Both lobes	2 (15.4)	5 (41.7)	
Extrathyroidal extension	5 (38.5)	6 (50.0)	0.562
Microscopic	5 (38.5)	5 (41.7)	0.834
Gross	0	1 (8.3)	
Thyroiditis	7 (53.8)	7 (58.3)	0.821
Lymphatic invasion	0	2 (16.7)	0.220
Vascular invasion	0	1 (8.3)	0.480
Variant			0.729
Classical	12 (92.3)	10 (83.3)	
Classical+Follicular	1 (7.7)	1 (8.3)	
Tall cell	0	1 (8.3)	
Central node metastasis	0	8/10 (80.0)	<0.001
Number of CLNMs	0 (0–0)	6 (2–7)	<0.001
Number of LLNMs	0 (0–0)	2 (2–4)	<0.001
Maximal size of tumor in metastatic LNs, mm	-	9.0 (5.0–10.0)	
Extranodal extension	-	7 (58.3)	
<i>BRAF</i> mutation	13 (100.0)	12 (100.0)	1.000

Values are expressed as mean±standard deviation, number (%), or median (interquartile range).

CHA, CHA Bundang Medical Center; CLNM, central neck lymph node metastasis; LLNM, lateral neck lymph node metastasis; LN, lymph node.