

Supplementary Table S1. Mutational frequency through Bethesda categories.

	Bethesda categories						
Mutations	ND n=15	B n=47	AUS/FLUS n= 43	FT/SFN n=58	SM n=42	M n=54	Total
TERTp	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
BRAF	0	0	1	4	8	30	43
TERTp+BRAF	0	0	1	1	0	4	6
RAS (NRAS,HRAS, KRAS)	0	2	5	8	7	4	26
TERTp+RAS	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Total	0	2	8	15	15	38	78

Legend: ND: Non-diagnostic, B: Benign, AUS: Atypia of Undetermined Significance, FN: Follicular Neoplasm, SM: Suspicious for malignancy and M: Malignant. *TERTp* - telomerase reverse transcriptase promoter; *BRAF* - B-Raf proto-oncogene, serine/threonine kinase; *NRAS* - NRAS proto-oncogene, GTPase; *HRAS* - HRas proto-oncogene, GTPase, and *KRAS* - KRAS proto-oncogene, GTPase; RAS- RAS proto-oncogene, GTPase.

Supplementary Table S2. Mutation types in cytology and histology of indeterminate nodules.

Genetic mutations	Cytology (mutated)				Histology (mutated)			
	n=25 (24.8%)				n=48 (47.5%)			
Histology of Indeterminate nodules	n=	Benign n=1	Malignant n=24	Mutation type	n=	Benign n=2	Malignant n=46	Mutation type
<i>TERTp</i>	94	0 (0%)	4 (5.6%)		99	0 (0%)	11 (14.5%)	
	AUS	0	2	1 (-124 G>A) 1 (-146 G>A)		0	5	4 (-124 G>A) 1 (-146 G>A)
	FN	0	2	2 (-124 G>A)		0	6	4 (-124 G>A) 2 (-146 G>A)
<i>BRAF</i>	97	0 (0%)	7 (9.3%)		100	0 (0%)	13 (16.9%)	
	AUS	0	1	1 (p.V600E)		0	5	5 (p.V600E)
	FN	0	6	6 (p.V600E)		0	8	8 (p.V600E)
<i>RAS</i>	97	1 (1%)	13 (17.3%)		98	2 (8.7%)	22 (29.3%)	
	AUS	1	4	1 B (p.Q61K) 4 M (p.Q61R)		2	10	2 B (p.Q61K/p.G12A) 8 M (p.Q61R)
	FN	0	9	7 M (p.Q61R) 2 M (p.Q61K)		0	12	2 M (p.Q61K/p.G12R) 9 M (p.Q61R) 3 M (p.Q61K)

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Supplementary Table S3. Clinicopathologic features present in the PTC variants.

Clinicopathologic features	PTC variants n=180							
	c-PTC n=73 (40.5%)	FV-PTC n=73 (40.5%)	EV-PTC n=5 (2.8%)	OV-PTC n=15 (8.3%)	SV-PTC n= 10 (5.6%)	TC-PTC n=3 (1.7%)	CV-PTC n=1 (0.6%)	TOTAL n= 180 (100%)
Extrathyroidal invasion	36 (49.3%)	10 (13.7%)	0 (0%)	5 (33.3%)	2 (20%)	2 (66.7%)	1 (100%)	56 (31.1%)
Capsule invasion	37 (50.7%)	41 (56.2%)	1 (20%)	12 (80%)	2 (20%)	3 (100%)	1 (100%)	97 (53.9%)
Vascular invasion	18 (24.7%)	12 (16.4%)	3 (60%)	5 (33.3%)	0 (0%)	2 (66.7%)	1 (100%)	41 (22.8%)
Lymphatic invasion	19 (26%)	10 (13.7%)	1 (20%)	5 (33.3%)	0 (0%)	1 (33.3%)	0 (0%)	36 (20%)
Fibrosis	51 (69.9%)	35 (48%)	2 (40%)	13 (86.7%)	5 (50%)	2 (66.7%)	1 (100%)	109 (60.6%)
Inflammatory infiltrate	43 (58.9%)	18 (24.7%)	0 (0%)	7 (46.7%)	1 (10%)	3 (100%)	0 (0%)	72 (40%)
Tall cell								
<30%	17 (23.3%)	1 (1.4%)	0 (0%)	4 (26.7%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	22 (12.2%)
≥30%	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (100%)	0 (0%)	3 (1.7%)
Oncocytic component								
<50%	21(28.8%)	7 (9.6%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (66.7%)	0 (0%)	30 (16.7%)
≥50%	5 (6.8%)	3 (4.1%)	0 (0%)	15 (100%)	1 (10%)	1 (33.3%)	0 (0%)	25 (13.9%)
Psammoma bodies	17 (23.3%)	3 (4.1%)	1 (20%)	2 (13.3%)	0 (0%)	2 (66.7%)	0 (0%)	25 (13.9%)
Calcification	18 (24.7%)	10 (13.7%)	1 (20%)	3 (20%)	0 (0%)	2 (66.7%)	0 (0%)	34 (18.9%)
Necrosis	2 (2.7%)	1 (1.4%)	0 (0%)	2 (13.3%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	5 (2.8%)
Focality								
unifocal	43(58.9%)	44 (60.3%)	5(100%)	9 (60%)	6 (60%)	3 (100%)	1 (100%)	111 (61.7%)
multifocal	30 (41.1%)	29 (39.7%)	0 (0%)	6 (40%)	4 (40%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	69 (38.3%)
Laterality								
unilateral	50 (68.5%)	51 (69.9%)	5(100%)	7(46.7%)	6 (60%)	3 (100%)	0 (0%)	122 (67.8%)
bilateral	23 (31.5%)	22 (30.1%)	0 (0%)	8 (53.3%)	4 (40%)	0 (0%)	1 (100%)	58 (32.2%)
Lymph node metastasis	25 (34.2%)	7 (9.6%)	0 (0%)	5(33.3%)	0 (0%)	1 (33.3%)	0 (0%)	38 (21.1%)
Distant metastasis	4 (9.9%)	4 (2.8%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (100%)	9 (5%)

Legend : PTC- papillary thyroid carcinoma; PTC variants: c-PTC- classical; FV-PTC -follicular; EV-PTC – encapsulate; SV- solid; TC-PTC- tall cells; OV-PTC- oncocytic ; CV-PTC- columnar.

Supplementary Table S4. Mutational status of cytology and histology samples within PTC variants.

Mutations	PTC variants							
	c-PTC n=74 (40.6%)	FV-PTC n= 74 (40.6%)	EV-PTC n=5 (2.7%)	OV- PTC n=15 (8.2%)	SV-PTC n= 10 (5.5%)	TC- PTC n=3 (1.7%)	CC- PTC n=1 (0.6%)	TOTAL n= 182 (100%)
<i>TERTp</i>								
Histology n=176	5	8	0	4	1	1	0	19 (10.8%)
Cytology n= 171	2	3	0	2	1	1	0	9 (5.3%)
<i>BRAF</i>								
Histology n=177	36	14	2	8	0	3	0	63 (35.6%)
Cytology n= 175	28	11	2	5	0	2	0	48 (27.4%)
<i>RAS</i>								
Histology n=176	7	22	1	5	3	0	0	38 (22.1%)
Cytology n= 171	7	13	1	3	1	0	0	25 (14.3%)
Total								
Histology	49	45	3	17	4	4	0	122
Cytology	38	27	3	10	2	3	0	83

Legend : PTC- papillary thyroid carcinoma; PTC variants: c-PTC- classical; FV-PTC -follicular; EV-PTC – encapsulate; SV- solid; TC-PTC- tall cells; OV-PTC- oncocytic ; CV-PTC- columnar. *TERTp* - telomerase reverse transcriptase promoter; *BRAF* - B-Raf proto-oncogene, serine/threonine kinase;; *RAS*- RAS proto-oncogene, GTPase.

Supplementary Table S5A. Associations between *TERTp* mutation and clinicopathological features in Papillary Thyroid Carcinomas.

Clinicopathological characteristics n (%)	Wild-Type n (%)	Mutated n (%)	p-value
Vascular invasion n=226			
Absent 186 (82.3) Present 40 (17.7)	175 (84.5) 32 (15.5)	11 (57.9) 8 (42.0)	0.004
Oncocytic component n=224			
Absent 172 (76.8) Present 52 (23.2)	162 (79.0) 43 (21.1)	10 (52.6) 9 (47.4)	0.017

Supplementary Table S5B. Associations between *BRAF* mutation and clinicopathological features in Papillary Thyroid Carcinomas.

Clinicopathological characteristics n (%)	Wild-Type n (%)	Mutated n (%)	p-value
Mean tumor size (SD) (mm) (n=227)	30.76 (14.31)	21.65 (14.30)	<0.001
Extra thyroidal invasion n=227			
Absent 172 (82.3) Present 55 (17.7)	140 (85.4) 24 (14.6)	32 (50.8) 31 (49.2)	<0.001
Capsule invasion n=227			
Absent 132 (58.1) Present 95 (41.9)	112 (68.3) 52 (31.7)	20 (31.7) 43 (68.3)	<0.001
Vascular invasion n=227			
Absent 187 (82.4) Present 40 (17.6)	149 (90.9) 15 (9.1)	38 (60.3) 25 (39.7)	<0.001
Lymphatic invasion n=227			
Absent 192 (84.6) Present 35 (15.4)	151 (92.1) 13 (7.9)	41 (65.1) 22 (34.9)	<0.001
Fibrosis n=227			
Absent 120 (52.9) Present 107 (47.1)	102 (62.2) 62 (37.8)	18 (2.6) 45 (71.4)	<0.001
Inflammatory infiltrate n=227			
Absent 154 (67.8) Present 73 (32.2)	129 (78.7) 35 (21.3)	25 (39.7) 38 (60.3)	<0.001
Tall cells n=227			
Absent 203 (89.4) Present 24 (10.6)	157 (95.7) 7 (4.3)	46 (73) 17 (27)	<0.001

Oncocytic component n=225			
Absent 173 (76.9) Present 52 (23.1)	134 (82.2) 29 (17.8)	39 (62.9) 23 (27.1)	0.002
Psammoma bodies n=227			
Absent 203 (89.4) Present 24 (10.6)	157 (95.7) 7 (4.3)	46 (73) 17 (27)	<0.001
Calcifications n=227			
Absent 194 (85.5) Present 33 (14.5)	150 (91.5) 14 (8.5)	44 (69.8) 19 (30.2)	<0.001
Focality n=226			
Unifocal 118 (52.2) < 5 focos 65 (28.8) >5 focos 43 (19)	85 (52.1) 40 (24.5) 38 (23.3)	33 (52.4) 25 (39.7) 5 (7.9)	<0.001
Lymph node metastases n=189			
Absent 152 (80.4) Present 37 (19.6)	115 (91.3) 11 (8.7)	37 (58.7) 26 (41.3)	<0.001

Supplementary Table S5C. Associations between NRAS mutation and clinicopathological features in Papillary Thyroid Carcinomas.

Clinicopathological characteristics n (%)	Wild-Type n (%)	Mutated n (%)	p-value
Presence of capsule n=205			
Absent 98 (47.8) Present 107 (52.2)	85 (51.5) 80 (48.5)	13 (32.5) 27 (67.5)	0.030
Focality n=221			
Unifocal 113 (51.1) <5 focos 65 (29.4) >5 focos 43 (19.5)	89 (49.4) 50 (27.8) 41 (22.8)	24 (58.5) 15 (36.6) 2 (4.9)	0.030

Supplementary Table S6A. The discriminative ability of mutations for malignant diagnosis in Differentiated Thyroid Carcinomas (DTCs).

Mutations	DTCs (n=209) + Benign (n=50) n=259			
(n)	Se % (95%CI)	Sp % (95%CI)	PPV % (95%CI)	NPV % (95%CI)
<i>TERTp</i>				
Histology (254)	9.8 (6.1, 14.7)	100 (92.9, 100)	100 (83.2, 100)	21.4 (16.3, 27.2)
Cytology (246)	4.6 (2.1, 8.5)	100 (92.7, 100)	100 (66.4, 100)	20.7 (15.7, 26.4)
<i>BRAF</i>				
Histology (255)	31.2 (24.9, 38)	100 (92.9, 100)	100 (94.4, 100)	26.2 (20.1, 33)
Cytology (251)	24.3 (18.5, 30.8)	100 (92.7, 100)	100 (92.7, 100)	24.3 (18.5, 30.8)
<i>RAS</i>				
Histology (250)	21 (15.6, 27.3)	94 (83.5, 98.7)	93.3 (81.7, 98.6)	22.9 (17.4, 29.3)
Cytology (250)	12.9 (8.6, 18.4)	98 (89.1, 99.9)	96.3 (81, 99.9)	21.5 (16.3, 27.5)

TERTp - telomerase reverse transcriptase promoter; *BRAF* - B-Raf proto-oncogene, serine/threonine kinase; *RAS*- RAS proto-oncogene, GTPase.

Supplementary Table S6B. The discriminative ability of mutations for malignant diagnosis in Papillary Thyroid Carcinomas (PTCs).

Mutations	PTCs (n=180) + Benign (n=50) n=230			
(n)	Se % (95%CI)	Sp % (95%CI)	PPV % (95%CI)	NPV % (95%CI)
<i>TERTp</i>				
Histology (226)	10.8 (6.6, 16.3)	100 (92.9, 100)	100 (82.4, 100)	24.2 (18.5, 30.6)
Cytology (220)	5.26 (2.4, 9.8)	100 (92.7, 100)	100 (66.4, 100)	23.2 (17.7, 29.5)
<i>BRAF</i>				
Histology (227)	35.6 (28.6, 43.1)	100 (92.9, 100)	100 (94.3, 100)	30.5 (23.5, 38.1)
Cytology (224)	27.4 (21, 34.7)	100 (92.7, 100)	100 (92.6, 100)	27.8 (21.4, 35.1)
<i>RAS</i>				
Histology (222)	22.1 (16.1, 29)	94 (83.5, 98.7)	92.7 (80.1, 98.5)	26.0 (19.7, 33)
Cytology (224)	14.3 (9.5, 20.4)	98 (89.1, 99.9)	96.2 (80.4, 99.9)	24.2 (18.4, 30.8)

TERTp - telomerase reverse transcriptase promoter; *BRAF* - B-Raf proto-oncogene, serine/threonine kinase; *RAS*- RAS proto-oncogene, GTPase.

Supplementary Table S6C. The discriminative ability of mutations for malignant diagnosis in Indeterminate nodules.

Mutations	Indeterminate nodules (n=101) DTCs (n=78) + Benign (n=23)			
(n)	Se % (95%CI)	Sp % (95%CI)	PPV % (95%CI)	NPV % (95%CI)
<i>TERTp</i>				
Histology (99)	14.5 (7.45, 24.4)	100 (85.2, 100)	100 (71.5, 100)	26.1 (17.3, 36.6)
Cytology (94)	5.6 (1.53, 13.6)	100 (84.6, 100)	100 (39.8, 100)	24.4 (16, 34.6)

<i>BRAF</i>				
Histology (100)	16.9 (9.3, 27.1)	100 (85.2, 100)	100 (75.3, 100)	26.4 (17.7, 37)
Cytology (97)	9.3 (3.8, 18.3)	100 (84.6, 100)	100 (59, 100)	27.8 (21.4, 35.1)
<i>RAS</i>				
Histology (98)	29.3 (19.4, 41)	91.3 (72, 98.9)	91.7 (73, 99)	28.4 (18.5, 40.1)
Cytology (97)	17.3 (9.6, 27.8)	95.5 (77.2, 99.9)	92.9 (66, 99.8)	25.3 (16.4, 36)

Legend: *TERTp* - telomerase reverse transcriptase promoter; *BRAF* - B-Raf proto-oncogene, serine/threonine kinase; *RAS*- RAS proto-oncogene, GTPase.

. Se- Sensitivity; Sp- Specificity; PPV- Positive Predictive Value; NPV- Negative Predictive Value; CI- Confidence Interval.

Supplementary Table S7A. Profile of the molecular cyto-histological discordant cases in *TERTp* gene.

<i>TERTp</i> Case number	Tumor size mm	Cytology by Bethesda categories		Histology	
		Diagnosis	Molecular status	Diagnosis	Molecular status
69/70	25	II	WT	FV-PTC	-124 (G>A)
147/148	28	II	WT	c-PTC	-124 (G>A)
153/154	50	VI	-124 (G>A)	FV-PTC	WT
187/188	35	VI	WT	c-PTC	-146 (G>A)
197/198	15	III	WT	FV-PTC	-146 (G>A)
205/206	15	I	WT	c-PTC	-146 (G>A)
223/224	15	IV	WT	FV-PTC	-146 (G>A)
249/250	15	IV	WT	c-PTC	-146 (G>A)
259/260	28	IV	WT	FV-PTC	-124 (G>A)
261/262	40	I	WT	c-PTC	-146 (G>A)
279/280	18	VI	-124 (G>A)	c-PTC	WT
325/326	35	No cells	-	Cystic-PTC	-124 (G>A)
355/356	24	IV	WT	FV-PTC	-124 (G>A)
383/384	14	No cells	-	SV-PTC	-124 (G>A)
413/414	70	II	WT	FV-PTC	-146 (G>A)

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Supplementary Table S7B. Profile of the molecular cyto-histological discordant cases in *BRAF* gene.

BRAF Case number	Tumor size mm	Cytology by Bethesda categories		Histology	
		Diagnosis	Molecular status	Diagnosis	Molecular status
43/44	13	II	WT	TC-PTC	p.V600E
49/50	12	VI	WT	c-PTC	p.V600E
73/74	15	V	p.V600E	FV-PTC	WT
79/80	22	V	WT	FV-PTC	p.V600E
83/84	15	V	WT	c-PTC	p.V600E
93/94	25	V	WT	HV-PTC	p.V600E
101/102	12	IV	WT	FV-PTC/c-PTC	p.V600E
119/120	20	II	WT	c-PTC	p.V600E
129/130	20	VI	WT	FV-PTC	p.V600E
157/158	20	I	WT	c-PTC	p.V600E
173/174	25	VI	p.V600E	c-PTC	WT
197/198	15	III	WT	FV-PTC	p.V600E
201/202	16	III	WT	FV-PTC	p.V600E
221/222	16	V	WT	c-PTC	p.V600E
251/252	25	I	WT	c-PTC	p.V600E
319/320	20	III	WT	HV-PTC	p.V600E
321/322	17	I	NO CELLS	c-PTC	p.V600E
359/360	26	IV	WT	c-PTC	p.V600E
373/374	15	II	WT	FV-PTC	p.K601E
401/402	20	VI	p.V600E	c-PTC	WT
407/408	28	VI	WT	FV-PTC/c-PTC	p.V600E

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Supplementary Table S7C. Profile of the molecular cyto-histological discordant cases in *RAS* gene.

NRAS Case number	Tumor size mm	Cytology by Bethesda categories		Histology	
		Diagnosis	Molecular status	Diagnosis	Molecular status
121/122	45	III	WT	FV-PTC	p.Q61R
153/154	50	VI	WT	FV-PTC/c-PTC	p.Q61R
167/168	25	V	WT	FV-PTC	p.Q61R
237/238	20	V	WT	FTC	p.Q61R
279/280	18	VI	p.Q61R	c-PTC	WT
325/326	35	III	WT	cystic-PTC	p.Q61R
345/346	37	II	WT	FV-PTC	p.Q61R
347/348	70	I	WT	SV-PTC	p.Q61R
385/386	40	IV	p.Q61R	FV-PTC	WT
421/422	18	IV	WT	FV-PTC	p.Q61R
173/174	17	VI	WT	c-PTC	p.Q61R
443/444	18	III	WT	FV-PTC	p.Q61R
477/478	30	II	WT	Benign	p.Q61R

HRAS Case number	Tumor size mm	Cytology by Bethesda categories		Histology	
		Diagnosis	Molecular status	Diagnosis	Molecular status
27/28	20	VI	p.Q61K	c-PTC	WT
59/60	15	IV	WT	FV-PTC	p.Q61R
137/138	25	I	-	FV-PTC	p.Q61R
203/204	13	III	WT	FV-PTC	p.Q61R
223/224	15	IV	WT	FV-PTC	p.Q61R
229/230	30	III	WT	FV-PTC	p.Q61R
277/278	15	IV	WT	FV-PTC/c-PTC	p.Q61R
313/314	30	III	WT	FC-PTC	p.Q61R
331/332	20	VI	WT	HV-PTC	p.G13D
KRAS Case number	Tumor size mm	Cytology by Bethesda categories		Histology	
		Diagnosis	Molecular status	Diagnosis	Molecular status
111/112	15	I	WT	FV-PTC	p.Q61R
113/114	30	I	WT	FV-PTC	p.Q61R
123/124	40	IV	WT	c-PTC	p.Q61R
203/204	13	III	WT	FV-PTC	p.G12R
211/212	15	I	WT	NIFT	p.Q61R
283/284	22	V	p.Q61R	c-PTC	WT
343/344	35	III	p.Q61R	FV-PTC	WT
413/414	70	II	p.Q61R	FV-PTC	WT
445/446	30	III	WT	BENIGN	p.G12A

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