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CLINICAL HISTORY

Pathology diagnosis: Papillary thyroid carcinoma

THYROSEQ® V3 CRC RESULTS SUMMARY

RIGHT THYROID, FFPE TISSUE BLOCK

Test Result	Risk of Cancer Recurrence
POSITIVE	High * *See interpretation below for details

INTERPRETATION

- The specimen revealed BRAF V600E and TERT mutations, along with gene expression alterations.
- This molecular profile is characteristic of papillary carcinomas and related advanced, dedifferentiated cancers.
- Co-occurrence of these mutations is associated with a high risk for cancer recurrence and increased risk of locally invasive disease, lymph node and distant metastasis, and disease-related mortality.
- Patient management decisions must be based on the independent medical judgment of the treating physician. Molecular test results should be taken into consideration in conjunction with all relevant imaging and clinical findings, patient and family history, as well as patient preference.

DETAILED RESULTS

Specimen cellularity/adequacy for interpretation: ADEQUATE

Marker Type	Marker Result			AF	
Gene mutations	TERT	p.C228T	c.1-124C>T	33%	
	BRAF	p.V600E	c.1799T>A	22%	
Gene fusions	Negative				
Copy number alterations	Negative				
Gene expression profile	Positive				
Parathyroid	Negative				
Medullary/C-cells	Negative				
AF=Variant Allele Frequency					



BACKGROUND

Thyroid cancer develops via progressive accumulation of genetic alterations, which serve not only as diagnostic but also as predictive markers. Prognostic value of specific molecular alterations detected in thyroid cancers have been well-established for several types of alterations (1-5). For example, detection of certain isolated alterations, such as RAS, PAX8/PPARG, or BRAF K601E is associated with the low risk for disease recurrence. Finding of other isolated alterations, such as BRAF V600E mutation, confer an intermediate risk of recurrence and unfavorable disease outcome. Finally, a number of other alterations such as TERT promoter mutations, denotes a high risk of aggressiveness in thyroid cancers, particularly when they represent a "late hit" found in combination with early driver mutations such as RAS or BRAF V600E mutations. Other late driver mutations and markers of aggressive thyroid cancer are TP53, AKT1, and PIK3CA mutations. These alterations can be used cancer risk stratification and to guide patient management.

ThyroSeq v.3 CRC test includes all main genetic alterations reported as predictive markers for thyroid cancer and allows to stratify thyroid cancer as low risk, intermediate risk, and high risk for recurrence. The analytical validation of the test was previously reported (7). The algorithm for cancer risk stratification was validated and reported in a case-control study of 55 patients with differentiated thyroid cancer and distant metastases matched with patients with differentiated thyroid cancer without distant metastases after >5 years of follow-up (6). The study found that ThyroSeq v.3 CRC low-risk signature is associated with 0.2-0.4% probability of distant metastasis, intermediate-risk signature with a 5-9% probability, and high-risk signature with a 19-34% probability of distant metastasis.

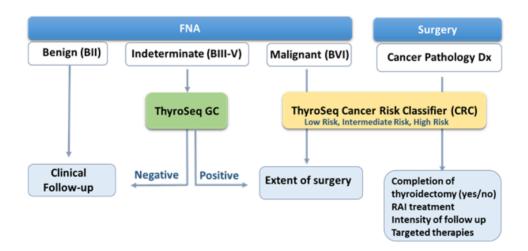
Based on the management guidelines from the American Thyroid Association (ATA) (7), thyroid cancer risk stratification is important for selecting the appropriate extent of surgery (lobectomy vs total thyroidectomy), radioactive iodine (RAI) treatment, and intensity of follow-up. Most thyroid cancers are indolent and these patients are at low risk for disease recurrence after cancer removal. These patients can be treated by lobectomy and are unlikely to benefit from RAI administration and TSH suppression (7-9). On the other hand, patients with high-risk cancers would benefit from up-front total thyroidectomy, which facilitates post-operative RAI administration and disease monitoring.

ThyroSeq CRC test application for thyroid cancer risk stratification may be considered for cytology samples with positive for malignancy (Bethesda VI) cytology and surgically removed cancer samples (6,8). In advanced forms of thyroid cancer, testing for mutations (eg. BRAF V600E) and gene fusions (eg. NTRK1,3) may additionally help with selection of targeted therapies (10-12).

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Fig. 1. Potential management of patients with thyroid cancer diagnosed on FNA (Bethesda VI) or surgically removed thyroid samples based on cancer risk prediction by ThyroSeq Cancer Risk Classifier (CRC).





METHODOLOGY

Nucleic acids (DNA/mRNA) are isolated from thyroid FNA samples collected in the ThyroseqPreserve solution, from fixed cytology smears, or from FFPE samples. If required, manual microdissection is performed from unstained slides under the microscope with H&E guidance. The NGS analysis is applied to detect SNVs/indels, gene fusions (GF), gene expression alterations (GEA), and copy number alterations (CNAs) in targeted regions of 112 thyroid-cancer related genes (AGGF1, AGK, AKAP13, AKAP9, AKT1, ALK, APC, BANP, BCL2L11, BRAF, C7orf10, CALCA, CCDC149, CCDC30, CCDC6, CCNY, CHEK2, CHGA, CITED1, CREB3L2, CTNNB1, DICER1, EIF1AX, EML4, EP300, ERBB4, ERC1, ETV6, EZH1, EZR, FAM114A2, FAM193A, FARSB, FGFR2, FKBP15, GFPT1, GLIS3, GNAS, GOLGA5, GORASP2, GTF2IRD1, HOOK3, HRAS, IDH1, IDH2, IGF2BP3, IRF2BP2, KIAA1217, KIAA1598, KIF5B, KLK1, KRAS, KRT20, KRT7, KTN1, LOC389473, LTK, MACF1, MEN1, MET, MKRN1, NCOA4, NF2, NRAS, NTRK1, NTRK3, OFD1, PAX8, PCM1, PGK1, PICALM, PIK3CA, POR, PPARG, PRKAR1A, PTEN, PTH, RAF1, RBPMS, RET, RNF213, ROS1, SLC26A11, SLC5A5, SND1, SPECC1L, SQSTM1, SS18, SSBP2, STK11, STRN, SYN2, TBL1XR1, TERT, TFG, THADA, TP53, TPM3, TPR, TRA2A, TRIM24, TRIM27, TRIM33, TRIM61, TSC2, TSHR, UACA, VCL, VHL, WARS, ZBTB8A, ZC3HAV1). The Torrent Suite v5.2.2, Variant Explorer v2 and Cancer Risk Classifier (CRC) algorithm is used for data analysis. Test results are reported as Low Risk (low risk of cancer recurrence), Intermediate Risk (intermediate risk of cancer recurrence), or High Risk (high risk of cancer recurrence). Specimen adequacy, mutation type, gene expression and CNA profiles are reported in the Detailed Results section. Analytical sensitivity (PPA) and analytical specificity (PPV) for SNVs/indels is >99%/99% at 3-5% AF (6-10% of tumor cells), for GF is >99%/99% at >1-3% of tumor cells, for GEA is >99%/99% at 10% of tumor cells, and for CNA is 92%/100% with LOD 20-25% of tumor cells in FNA samples and 40-70% of tumor cells in FFPE samples. The assay minimal required sequencing depth is 500x. Genetic regions that did not meet minimal sequencing coverage requirements are specified in the report as failed.

Additional details of DNA sequence variants

Gene	Transcript	Genomic Position
TERT	NM_198253.2	chr5:1295228G>A
BRAF	NM 004333.4	chr7:140453136A>T

LOW COVERAGE HOTSPOTS OBSERVED IN THE FOLLOWING GENES

NONE

GROSS DESCRIPTION

1 part(s) labeled with patient name and identifiers received from Sonic Healthcare USA ThyroSeq / CBLPATH, INC.

Sample 1: 10 unstained and 1 stained slides received and labeled

DISCLAIMER

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