Reviewer's report

**Title:** Direct spread of Thyroid Follicular Carcinoma to the Parotid gland and the Internal Jugular Vein; a case report

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**Reviewer:** Randal Weber

I am familiar with the literature and believe that this case meets one of the 7 criteria for evaluation in the journal: Unexpected or unusual presentations of a disease

**Has the case been reported coherently?:** Yes

**Is the case report authentic?:** Yes

**Is this case worth reporting?:** No

**Is the case report persuasive?:** No

**Does the case report have explanatory value?:** No

**Does the case report have diagnostic value?:** No

**Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?:** No

**Comments to authors:**

I am not sure there is anything new here other than major vascular invasion secondary to follicular carcinoma which was angioinvasive. I also suspect the parotid involvement was not due to hematogenous metastasis but due to retrograde tumor emboli in the jugular system. The patient did not have meaningful therapy so we do not learn much about managing angioinvasive thyroid cancer.

**What next?:** Reject

**Quality of written English:** Needs some language corrections before being published