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Dear Pr. Branisteanu,

Your manuscript "Coexistent papillary thyroid carcinoma diagnosed in surgically treated patients for primary versus secondary hyperparathyroidism: same incidence, different characteristics"
(BSUR-D-19-00266R1) has been assessed by our reviewers. Based on these reports, and my own assessment as Editor, I am pleased to inform you that it is potentially acceptable for publication in BMC Surgery, once you have carried out some essential revisions suggested by our reviewers.

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We look forward to receiving your revised manuscript and please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Best wishes,
You revised the original version according to my suggestion, please consider the minor revision suggested by one of the reviewer before final acceptance.

Kind regards
Andrea Polistena

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Reviewer reports:
Tivadar Bara (Reviewer 1): An article of importance in its field.
The article has been revised, according to reviewer's suggestions.

Claudio Gambardella, MD (Reviewer 2): the authors performed an interesting analysis about the incidence and features of Coexistent papillary thyroid carcinoma diagnosed in surgically treated patients for primary versus secondary hyperparathyroidism. It is a debated and interesting topic. The article is well written and concepted. The reference are updated.

In the discussion section in order to better analyze the surgical complications after thyroidectomy I suggest to consider: "Total thyroidectomy alone versus ipsilateral versus bilateral prophylactic
central neck dissection in clinically node-negative differentiated thyroid carcinoma. A retrospective multicenter study.


and "Efficacy of combined treatment for anaplastic thyroid carcinoma: results of a multinstitutional retrospective analysis.


After these minor revisions the paper will be suitable for publication.

Dear Reviewers, Dear Editor,

Thank you for your final positive comments and for your review work which decisively improved manuscript quality.

We introduced the two references suggested by Reviewer nr. 2 (references 49 and 50).

We uploaded the final version of the manuscript (Revised Manuscript).

Sincerely yours,

June 17th 2019

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