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Dear Peter Hosick,

We are grateful for the thoughtful review provided for our paper. We appreciated the opportunity to revise the manuscript as well as offer a point-by-point response to reviewers. We hope that our responses address the comments of reviewer. The revised parts to our manuscript are highlighted within the document by using “tracked changes” in MS Word. Please contact me with any questions or concerns you may have any question.
Sincerely,

Zhiyong Chen

Reviewer reports:

Christian Happel (Reviewer 1): Dianshuang Xu et al. did well to address all of my comments.

However, I have again some minor revisions:

1. Please revise the first sentence of the section "Fine-needle Aspiration biopsy (FNAB)". It should be "FNAB was performed by a practitioner on patients with nodule volume exceeding 1cm³ or a nodule with two or more of diverse signals..."

Response: Page 6 Line 127: We have changed to “FNAB was performed by a practitioner on patients with nodule volume exceeding 1cm³ or a nodule with two or more of diverse signals.”

2. The new sentence on page 8 line 169-170 should be changed to: "The characteristics of diffuse goiter, nodular goiter and papillary thyroid cancer are shown in Table 1."

Response: page 8 line 168: we have changed the “were showed” to “are shown”.

3. The scale on the 200x thyroid cancer in Figure 3 is really difficult to decipher. It seems to be 60µm. But I think it should be 50µm? Please clarify.

Response: We made the font slightly larger at figure 3.

With the above mentioned minor revisions the manuscript is in my opinion ready for final acceptance in BMC Endocrine Disorders.

With regards

Carl Friedrich Classen (Reviewer 2): The points raised have been met.

Response: We are grateful for the time and effort you’ve put into your comments.