**Reviewer’s report**

**Title:** ACR TI-RADS and ATA US scores are helpful for the management of thyroid nodules with indeterminate cytology

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**Reviewer:** Tommaso Aversa

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In this retrospective study, authors evaluated the aspects at ultrasound scan of 140 thyroid nodules with indeterminate cytology of 139 patients that underwent surgery and had histopathological result.

The main aim of this study was to combine two ultrasound scoring systems (TI-RADS and ATA) with the Bethesda System for helping the clinical management and determining the necessity to perform molecular testing.

Paper is well written and results are reported in details. Discussion is quite long and could be shortened.

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