

Table 2. Classification of Thyroid Tumors (AFIP)²

PRIMARY TUMORS

1. Epithelial tumors

A. Tumors of follicular cells

Benign: Follicular adenoma (conventional, variants*)

Malignant: carcinoma

differentiated

follicular carcinoma

papillary carcinoma (conventional, variants**)

poorly differentiated (insular carcinoma, others)

undifferentiated or anaplastic

B. Tumors of C-cells (and related neuroendocrine cells)

medullary carcinoma

others

C. Tumors of follicular and C-cells

mixed medullary-follicular carcinoma

2. Sarcomas

3. Malignant lymphoma (and related hematopoietic neoplasms)

4. Miscellaneous neoplasms

SECONDARY TUMORS

TUMOR-LIKE LESIONS

* oncocytic, clear cell changes, atypical adenoma, hyalinizing trabecular, with bizarre nuclei

** microcarcinoma, encapsulated, follicular, tall/columnar cell, diffuse sclerosing, solid/trabecular