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#### THYROID CARCINOMA

It is the malignancy of Thyroid gland, it is of 4 types namely Papillary(MC type accounts 80%), Follicular (2nd MC accounts 10%), Medullary Thyroid Carcinoma (accounts 5-10% of all cases and is a part of MEN-2A &2B conditions) and Anaplastic carcinoma (accounts 1-2% and mostly occurs in old patients aged 60-70s).





- Thyroid Nodule- Painless, maybe one or multiple, maybe hard and fixed (sudden onset of pain indicative of a benign thyroid conditions).
- Involvement of cervical lymph nodes can be there.
- Neck swelling
- Dysphagia
- Dyspnea
- Horner's syndrome
- Weight loss
- Fatigue
- Fever



### DIAGNOSIS

- Head and neck examination.
- Indirect laryngoscopy
- Blood work up- if hyperthyroid then less risk of malignancy, high calcitonin indicates towards MTC.
- FNAC- but does not differentiate papillary & follicular.
- Genetic analysis- RET mutation in MTC, B-RAF V600E mutation in papillary.
- Imaging- Usg, neck, abdomen, pelvic CT or MRI to see mass extension, PET-CT to see metastasis.
- Metastasis in cervical lymph node is seen in 50% of MTC. & in lungs, bones, brain seen in anaplastic Ca.



#### TREATMENT

- For Papillary & Follicular Ca.- Subtotal/total thyroidectomy(complication can be RLN injury& hypoparathyroidism), Radioiodine ablation if indicated, chemotherapy and radiation therapy may be used in refractory, advanced cases, prognosis is very good.
- For Medullary Thyroid cancer- Total thyroidectomy with lymph node dissection of anterior compartment of neck, systemichemotherapy, kinase inhibitors RET may be used In refractory cases, calcitonin follow up measurement.
- Anaplastic Thyroid Ca,- Total/ subtotal thyroidectomy if permitted, B-RAF Kinase inhibitors, Targeted radiation & chemotherapy post sx., prognosis is worst.



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#### Question

MEN-2A syndrome is associated with which variant of thyroid carcinoma:-

- A) Anaplastic carcinoma
- B) Papillary thyroid carcinoma
- C) Follicular thyroid carcinoma
- D) Medullary thyroid carcinoma

ANS-D) Medullary thyroid carcinoma

