

Table 2: Thyroidectomy-related factors associated with incidental parathyroidectomy.

	Parathyroids absent in histology n =196	Parathyroids present in histology n =108	p*
Lymph nodes present in histology	4 (2.1)	9 (8.3)	0.016
Thyroid cancer; n (%)	104 (53.1)	62 (57.4)	0.543
Postoperative hypocalcemia ¹	31 (15.9)	52 (48.1)	<0.001
Percentage of PTH change	35.5 (11.7-59.2)	76 (46-94)	<0.001

Values are expressed as number of patients with percentage in brackets, or median with interquartile range in brackets, ¹: defined as Calcium <8 mg/dL, *: p-value is given by chi-square or Fisher's exact test for binary outcomes or Mann-Whitney U test for continues outcomes, PTH: parathyroid hormone.