## **Supplementary Table 2. Methodology**

Category	Content
Methods used to	Searches of electronic databases, including Ovid-MEDLINE
collect/select	
evidence	
Literature search	MEDLINE literature search was based on keywords provided by the
procedure	first author and validated by the guideline development committee of
	KSThR
Methods used to	Expert consensus and modified Delphi methodology
formulate	
recommendations	
Cost analysis	Cost of active surveillance including serial US, CT, and surgery varies
	by country. Cost considerations can influence management decisions
	based on specific conditions and current evidence
Method of	Internal peer review was performed by members of KSThR after
guideline	making the draft available for 1 month at website of KSThR
validation	(http://www.thyroidimaging.kr)

US = ultrasound, CT = computed tomography, KSThR = Korean Society of Thyroid Radiology