Letter to the Editor

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Percutaneous Ethanol Injection in Thyroid Nodules: Preliminary Results

Tiroit Nodüllerinde Perkütan Etanol Enjeksiyon Tedavisinin Ön Sonuçları

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Dear Editor,

I regret to inform you that there is a misrepresentation in one of the cases that was reported by myself and published in the Turkish Journal of Endocrinology and Metabolism 2000;4:27-31 (1). This issue should have been addressed earlier. During a review of these cases for a follow-up publication, and quite earlier, I have noticed that there was a misrepresentation on subject-1. In the paper published in the Turkish Journal of Endocrinology and Metabolism 2000;4:27-31 (1), under materials and method section, the reported subject-1 had received percutaneous ethanol injection (PEI) in a center in Italy. This was not mentioned in the abstract and the text and this misrepresentation needs to be corrected. The abstract and the materials and method section give the false impression that the PEI was performed by the author in Turkey. In the abstract, the beginning of the third sentence should be "in an autonomously functioning thyroid nodule, PEI treatment performed in Italy was able to 1) normalize the suppressed thyroid stimulating hormone level..." In the materials and methods section, the second paragraph, the third sentence should be "PEI was performed by an Italian physician in a center in Italy." The same misrepresentation was also present in an abstract presented in the I. Turkish Thyroid Diseases Congress in Istanbul in 2000 (2). I apologize for the above-mentioned misrepresentations and request a publication of a correction. There is no official admonitory, ongoing or previous investigation regarding this publication (1) and the abstract (2). The long-term clinical follow-up of the previously published cases (1) was presented on May 14, 2016 in the 38th Turkish Endocrinology and Metabolic Diseases Congress held in Antalya Turkey and published in the congress book (3).

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