



Breast and Thyroid Surgery in 2021 and Beyond

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Dear Colleagues,

The association between breast and thyroid neoplastic pathologies has been the subject of recent scientific publications. The underlying causes are both hormonal and related to radiotherapy after breast-conserving surgery. Thyroid autoimmunity, following the stimulation of the cell-mediated immune system, could also influence the prognosis of breast cancer. Therefore, an integrated breast–thyroid follow-up is always recommended.

Furthermore, both breast and thyroid surgery have seen qualitative progress. For oncoplastic breast surgery, from 2000 to date, there has been a focus on minimizing the psychological impact on patients undergoing procedures for the removal of malignant neoplasms, preventing asymmetries with respect to the contralateral breast or poor aesthetic outcomes. More recently, thyroid surgery had seen the implementation of new scarless surgical procedures. Although the first studies concerned the application of these new techniques to benign pathologies, some authors have also applied these new methods in cancer patients, even children, with positive results.

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