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Abstract

Background: Encapsulated papillary carcinoma (EPC) has been considered as a variant of ductal carcinoma in situ (DCIS). Recent studies suggest that EPC could be invasive, as it often lacks myoepithelial cells (MECs) at their periphery. The current study was performed to investigate the biological features of EPC.

Methods: Forty-nine EPC patients admitted to the Tai'an Central Hospital and Qilu Hospital of Shandong University from January 2004 to December 2014 were included in this study. We retrospectively analyzed the clinicopathological findings, the

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