

**Table 2.** Laboratory measurements and ultrasonography results in female subjects

| <b>Variable</b>     | <b>Controls<br/>(n=59)</b> | <b>Sarcoidosis<br/>patients<br/>(n=45)</b> | <b>p-value</b> |
|---------------------|----------------------------|--|----------------|
| TSH ( $\mu$ IU/ml)  | 1.67 $\pm$ 0.68            | 1.46 $\pm$ 0.88                            | 0.17           |
| FT4 (ng/dl)         | 1.18 $\pm$ 0.11            | 1.30 $\pm$ 0.37                            | 0.2            |
| T3 (ng/ml)          | 1.23 $\pm$ 0.22            | 1.28 $\pm$ 0.19*                           | 0.23           |
| TRAbs (UI/l)        | 0.45 $\pm$ 0.26            | 1.98 $\pm$ 2.59                            | 0.001          |
| TRAbs (%)           | 0                          | 40   | <0.001         |
| TPOAbs (U/ml)       | 56.96 $\pm$ 138.91         | 100.34 $\pm$ 198.91                        | 0.19           |
| TPOAbs (%)          | 11.86                      | 28.8                                       | 0.029          |
| TGAbs (U/ml)        | 94.32 $\pm$ 113.19         | 118.54 $\pm$ 350.82                        | 0.61           |
| TGAbs (%)           | 5.08                       | 6.6  | 0.73           |
| Thyroid volume (ml) | 4.59 $\pm$ 2.53            | 3.91 $\pm$ 2.37                            | 0.16           |
| Thyroid nodules     | 30.5%<br>(18/59)           | 39.02%<br>(16/41)                          | 0.48           |

Values are presented as mean $\pm$ SD or as percentages. NS: not significant. Normal values for TSH: 0.27-4.2 $\mu$ IU/ml, normal values for FT4: 0.7-2ng/dl, normal values for T3: 0.8-2ng/ml.