Supplementary File 1: Self-Designed Grading Scale for Postoperative Neck Function

Neck Movement **Traction Sensation**	☐ 0 = Absent ☐ 1 = Present, without affecting movement ☐ 2 = Present, with impairment of movement ☐ 3 = Present, with complete inability to perform movement
Swallowing-induced **Traction Sensation**	☐ 0 = Absent ☐ 1 = Present, without affecting swallowing ☐ 2 = Present, with impairment of swallowing ☐ 3 = Present, with complete inability to perform swallow