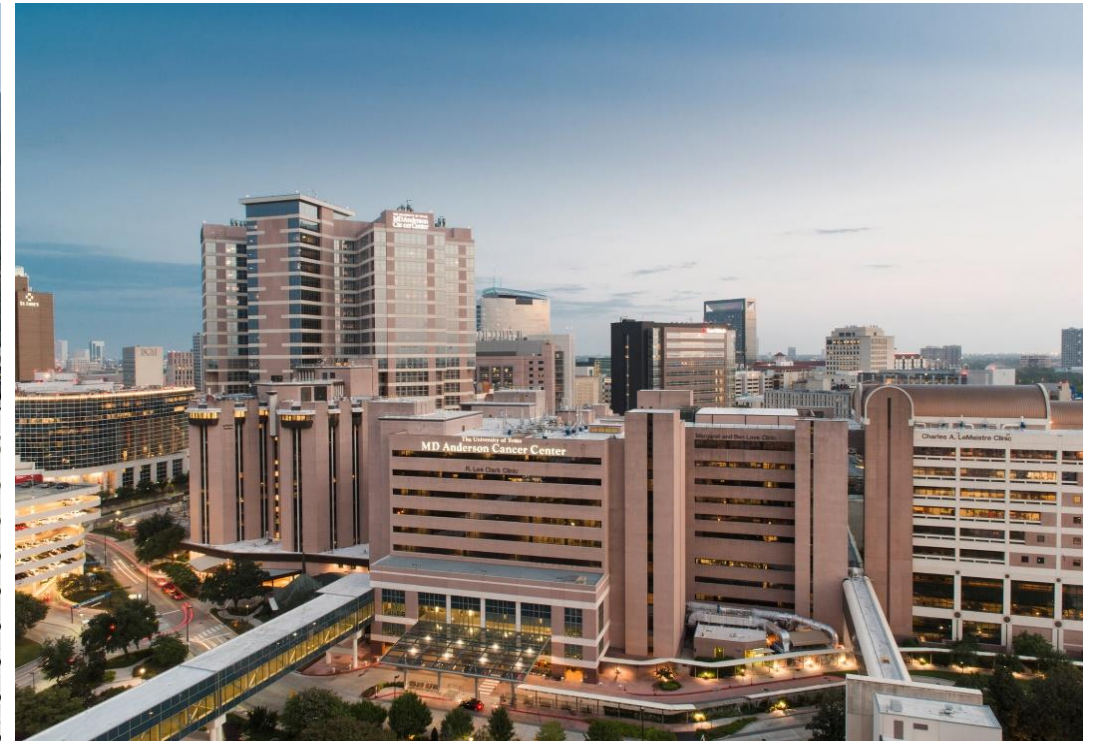




Pathology of the Female Peritoneum, an Update

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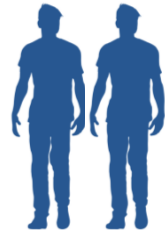
- Peritoneal inclusion cyst
- Well Differentiated Papillary ~~Mesothelioma~~ Mesothelial Tumor
- ~~Malignant~~ Mesothelioma

Peritoneal Inclusion Cyst

Uncommon



↑ 20's and 30's



Less frequent



Rare in children



Reported cases in mother/daughter,
sisters

Peritoneal Inclusion Cyst

Origin

Reactive vs Neoplastic

Hormonal Influence:
grows during pregnancy

A rare case with hx of asbestos exposure

Association

Abdomino/pelvic surgery

Pelvic inflammatory disease

Endometriosis

Symptoms

Abdomino/pelvic mass or pain

Inguinal or incisional hernia

Non-specific symptoms

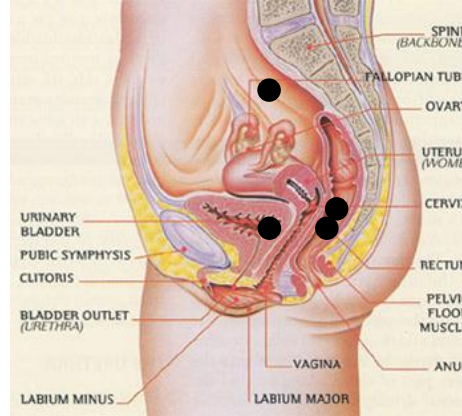
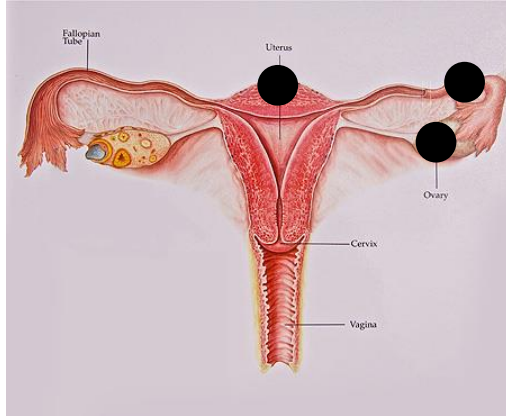
10% of cases are incidental

Usually without ascites

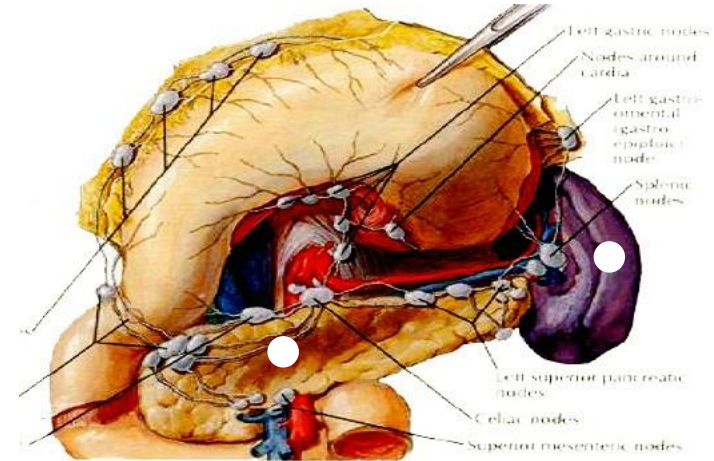
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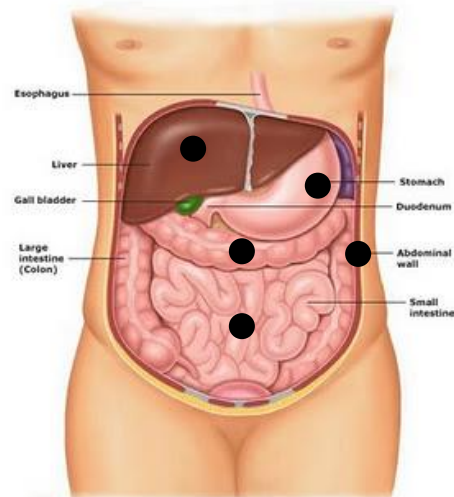
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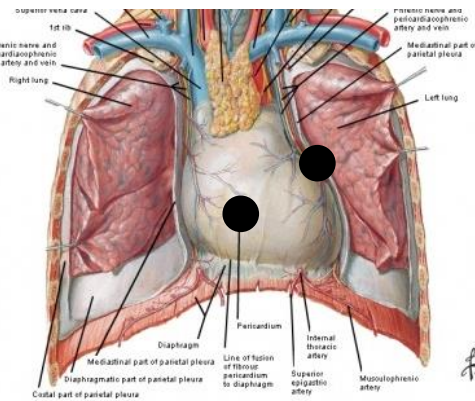
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Abdomen



Pericardium /
Pleura

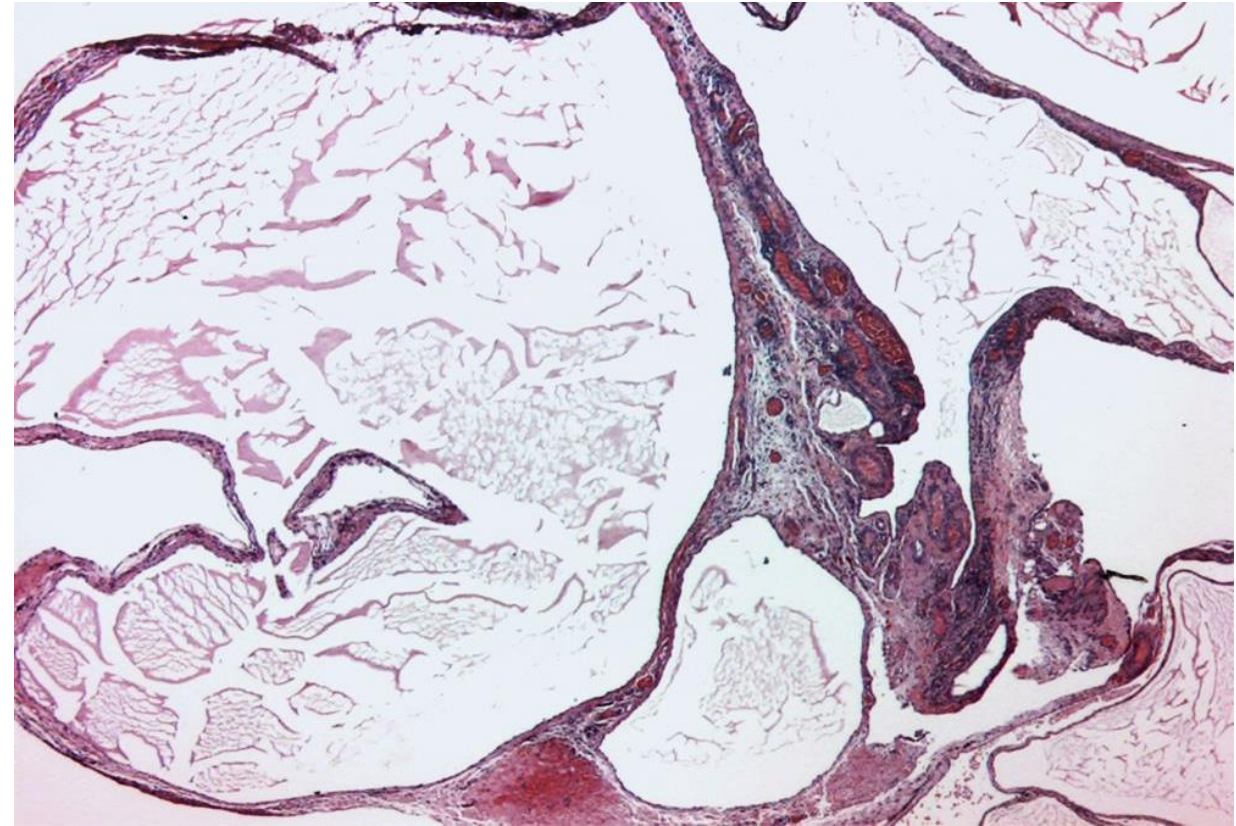
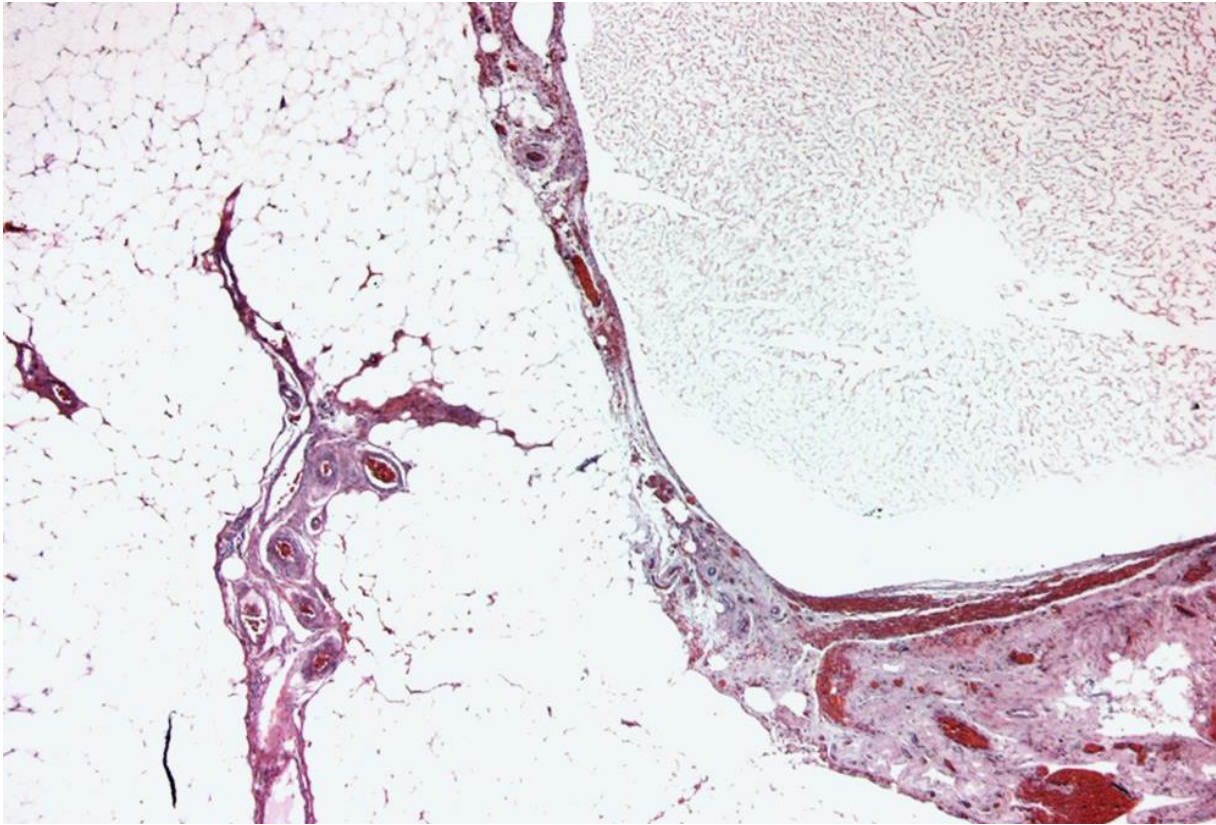


Peritoneal Inclusion Cyst

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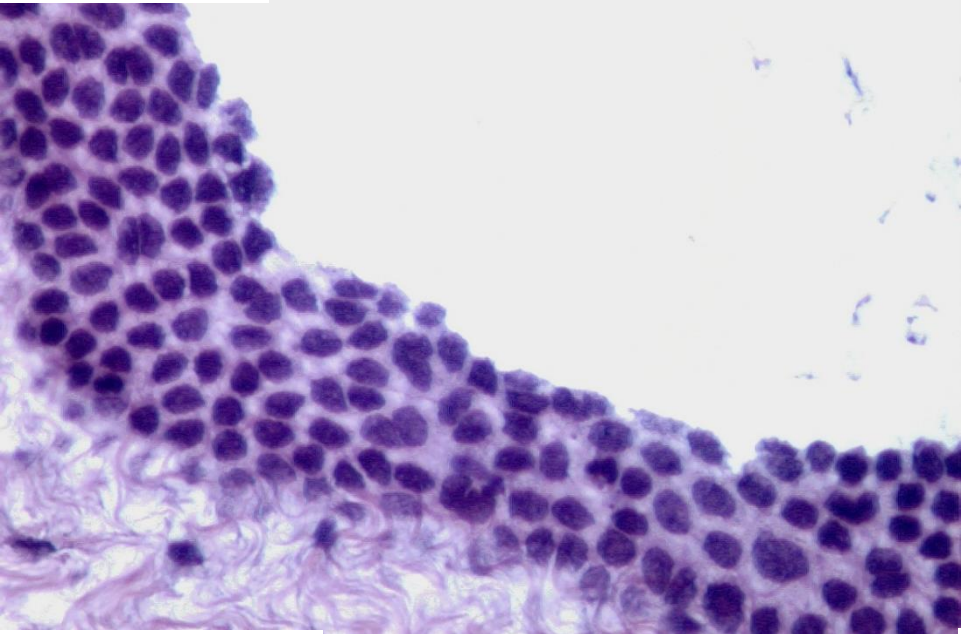
- Solitary, localized, diffuse
- Cyst (s)
 - A few mm - 20 cm



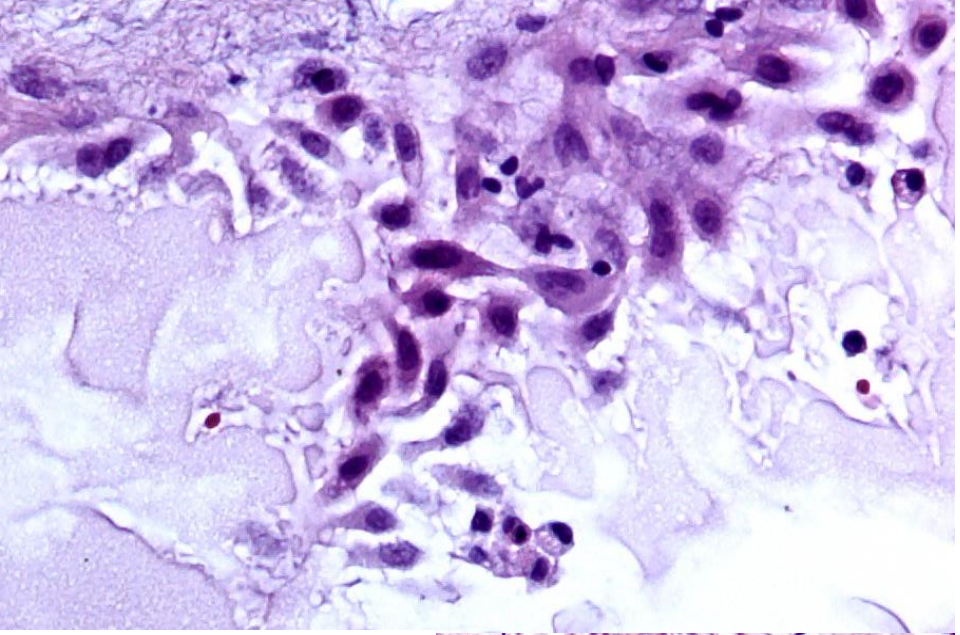


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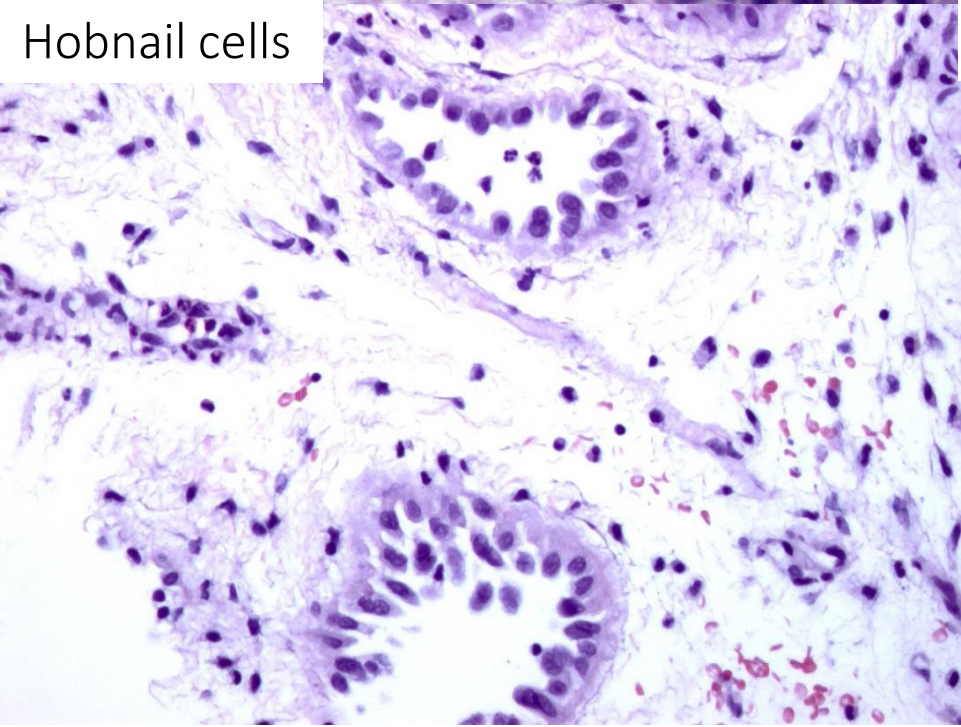
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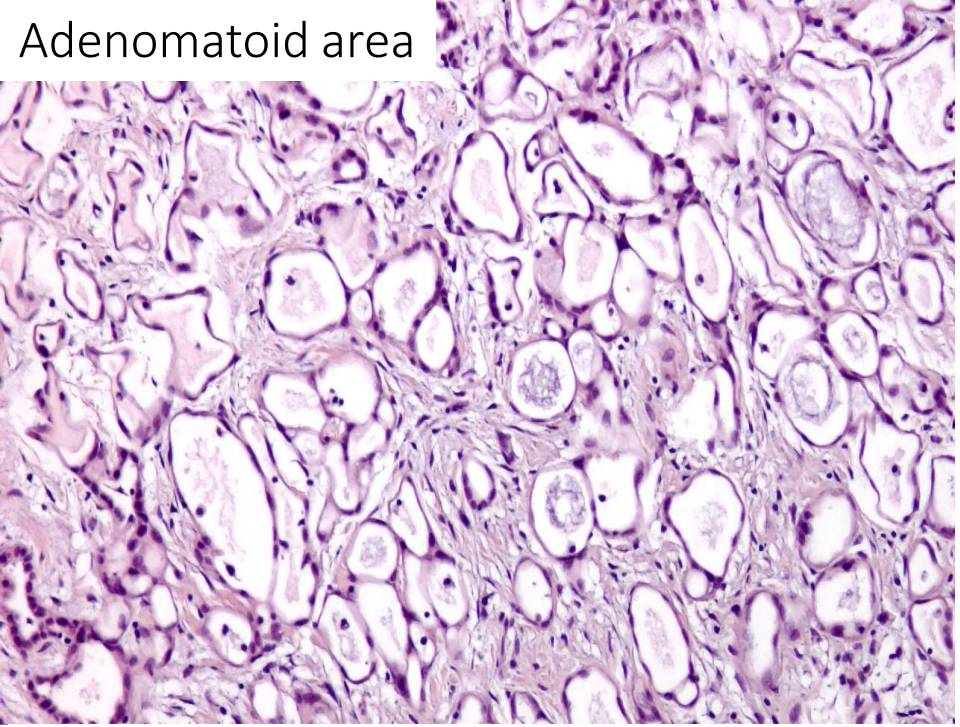
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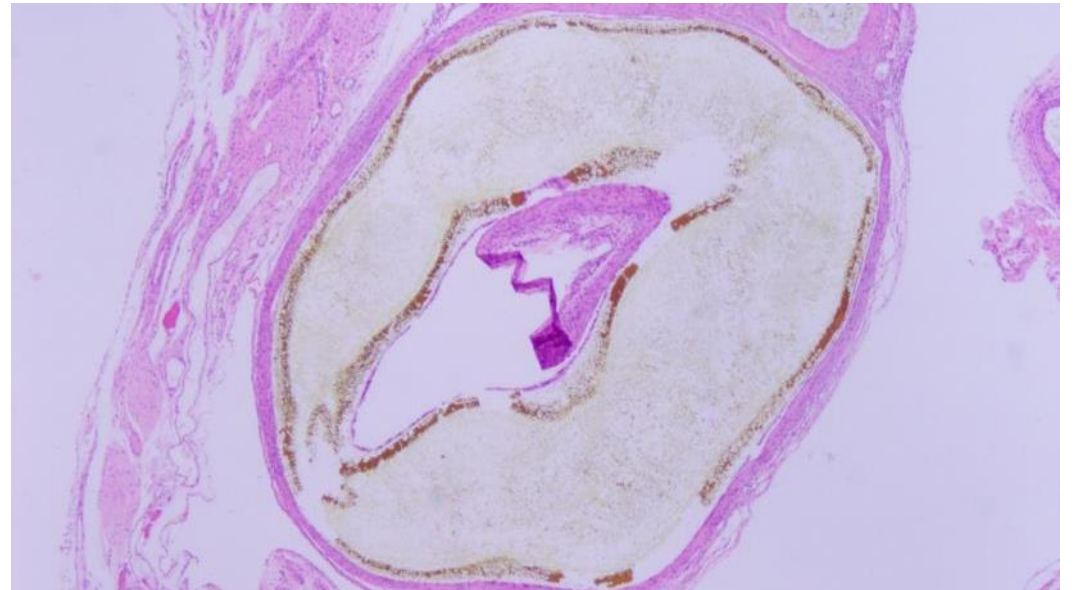
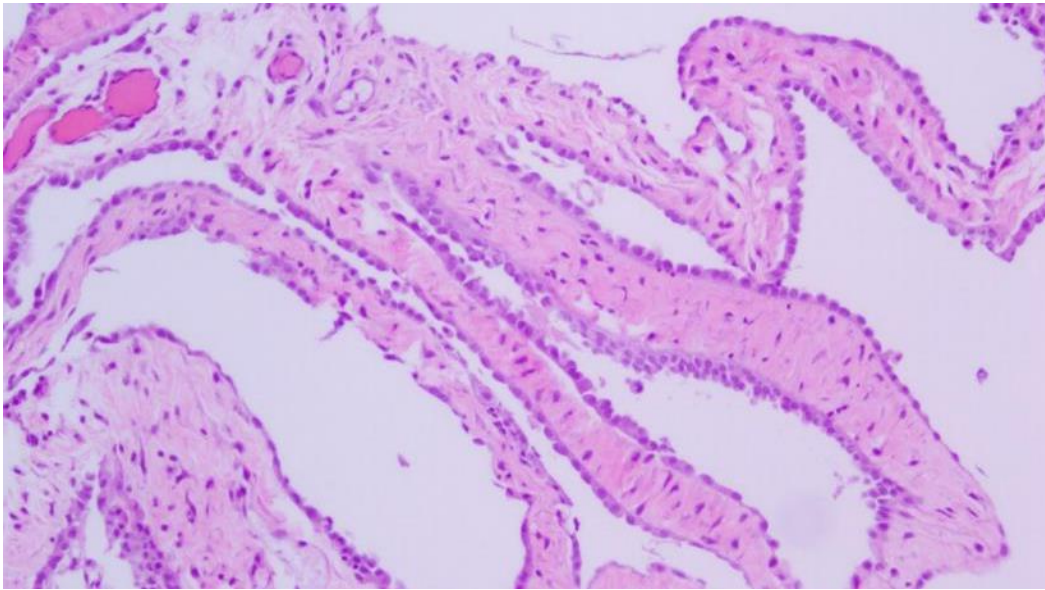
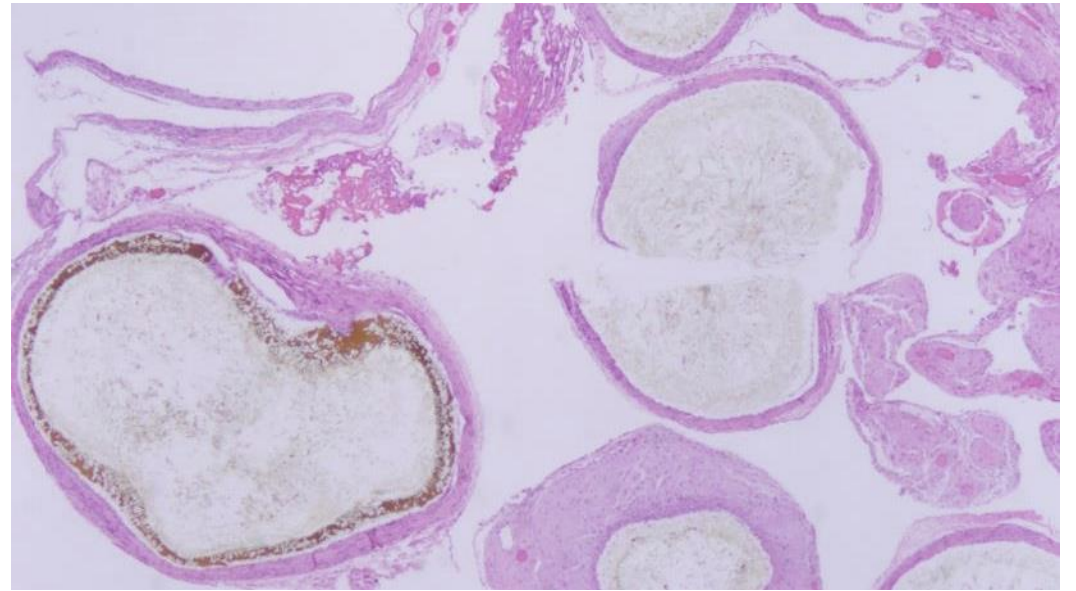
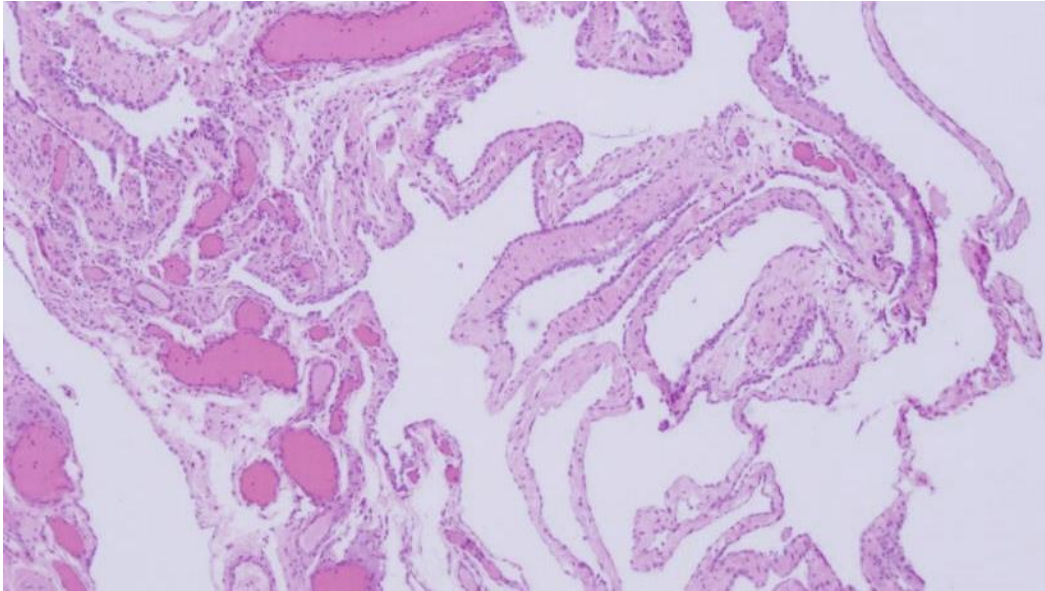


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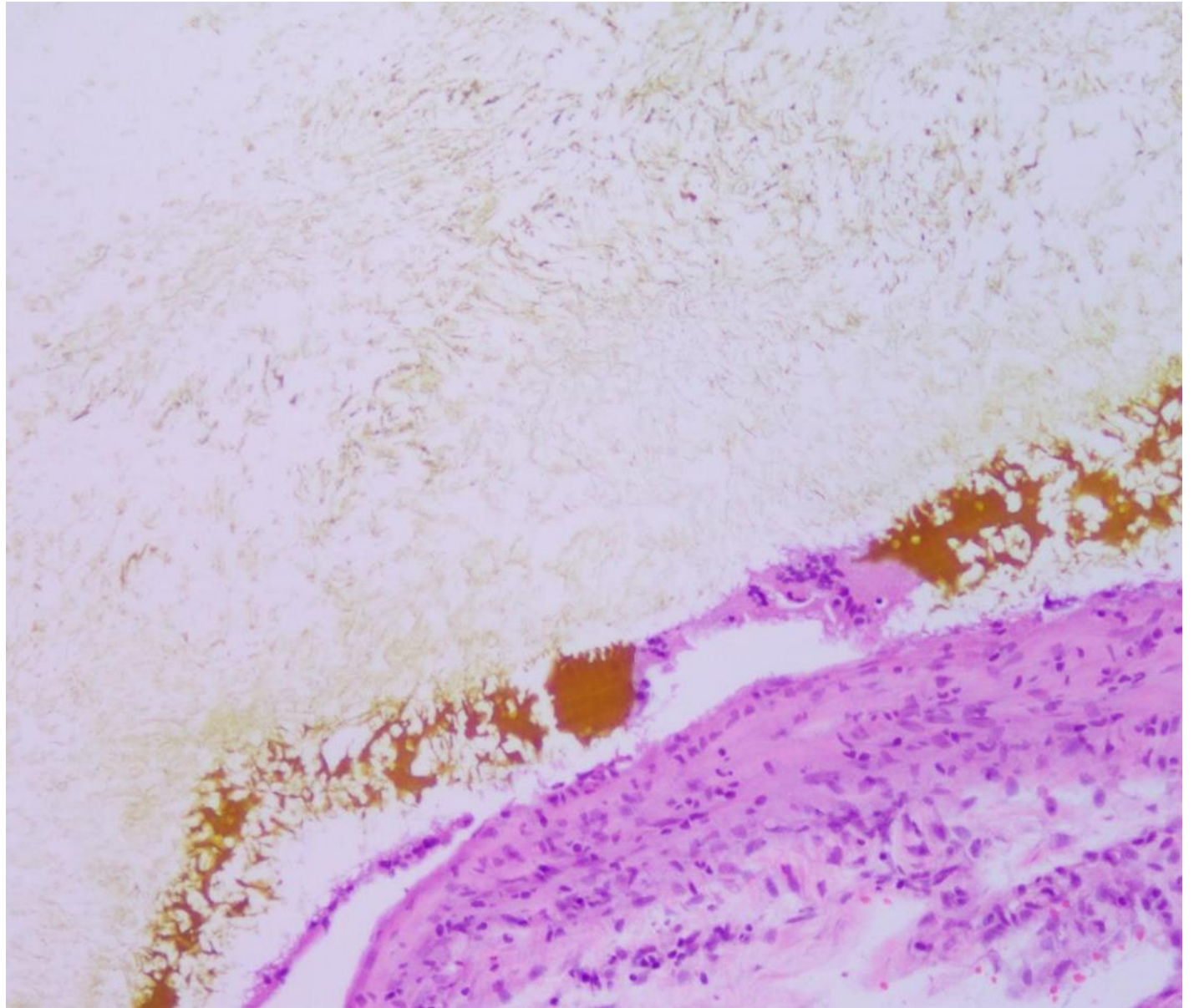
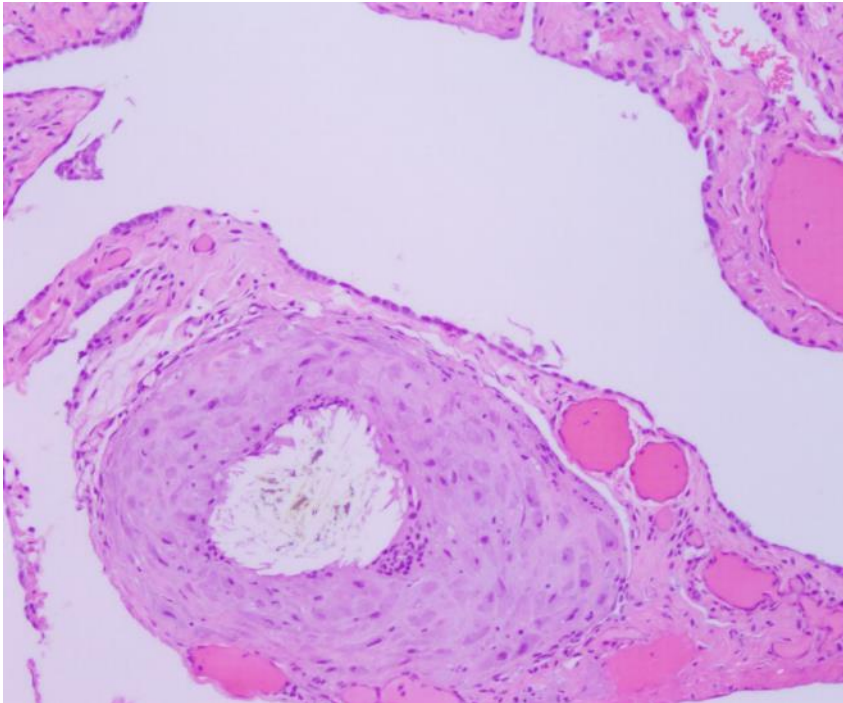
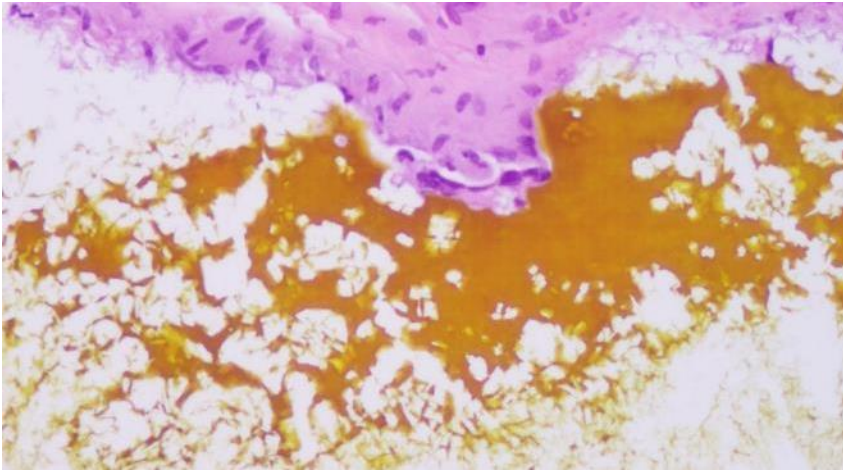


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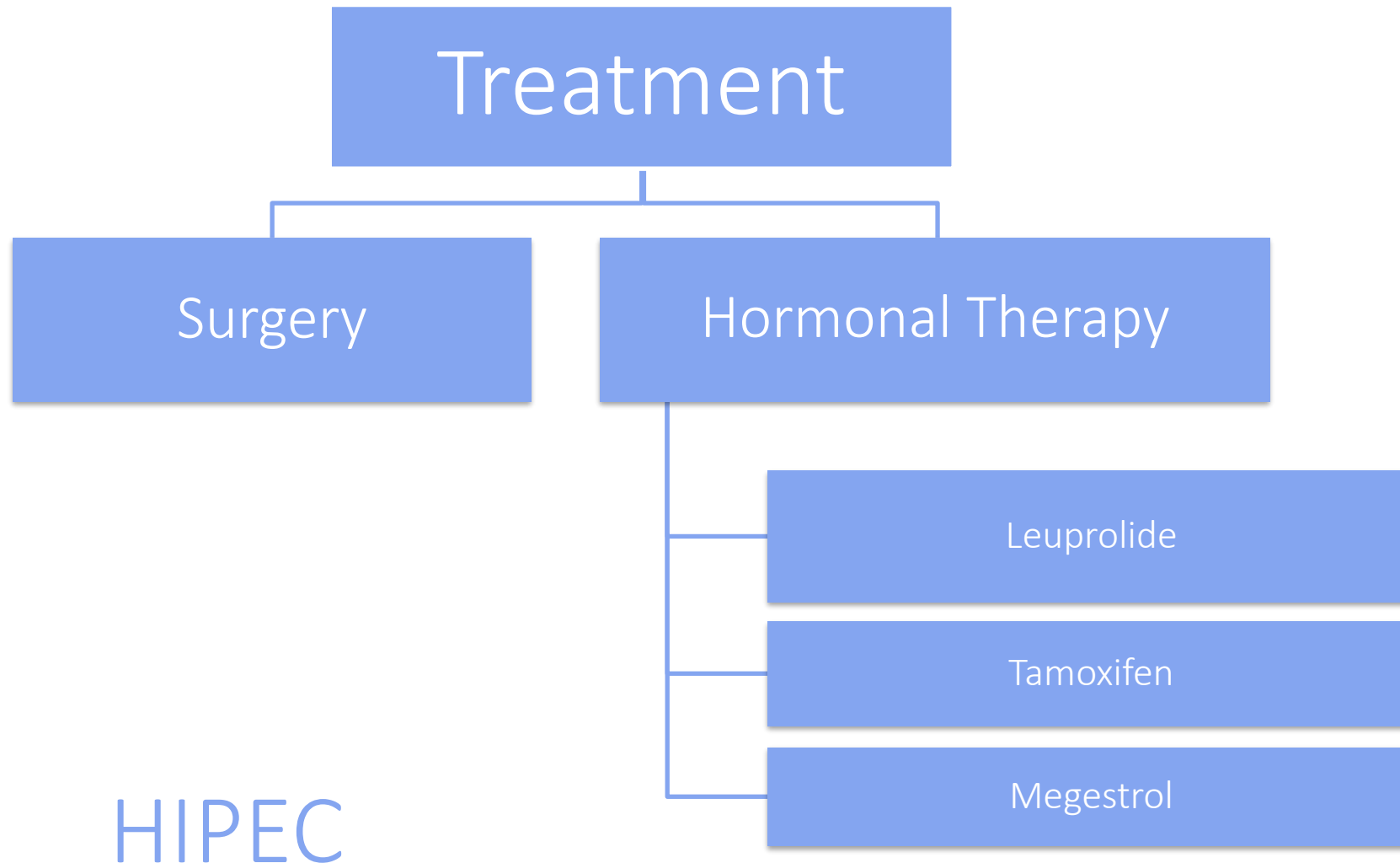


Bile deposition, s/p cholecystectomy, peritoneal inclusion cyst, removed during C-section



Bile deposition, s/p cholecystectomy, peritoneal inclusion cyst, removed during C-section

Peritoneal Inclusion Cyst



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Peritoneal Inclusion Cyst – Prognosis

Benign behavior

No Tx → pts can die due to local compression effect

A rare case with malignant transformation in 10 yrs

Recurrences in up to 50% of the cases

A. OMENTUM, BIOPSY: BENIGN MULTILOCULAR PERITONEAL INCLUSION CYSTS.

B. SOFT TISSUE, "SIGMOID IMPLANT," BIOPSY:

1. BENIGN MULTILOCULAR PERITONEAL INCLUSION CYSTS.
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C. SOFT TISSUE, "PELVIC MASS," BIOPSY: BENIGN MULTILOCULAR PERITONEAL INCLUSION CYSTS.

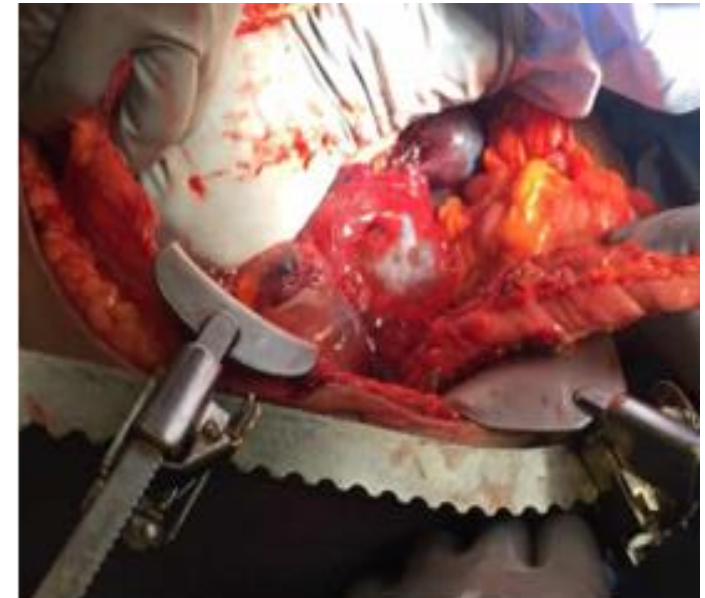
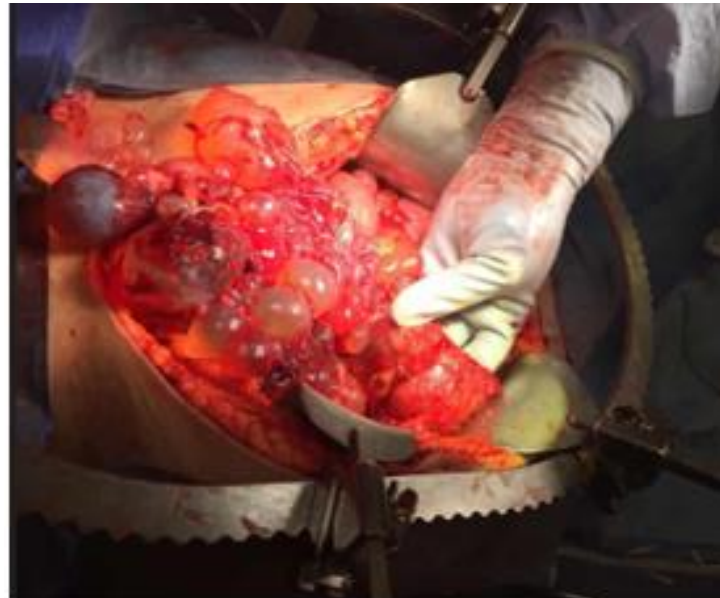
D. SOFT TISSUE, "SIGMOID IMPLANT," BIOPSY: BENIGN MULTILOCULAR PERITONEAL INCLUSION CYSTS.

E. APPENDIX, APPENDECTOMY: NO SIGNIFICANT PATHOLOGIC ABNORMALITY.

F. SOFT TISSUE, "BLADDER IMPLANT," BIOPSY: BENIGN MULTILOCULAR PERITONEAL INCLUSION CYSTS.

G. SOFT TISSUE, "CUL DE SAC IMPLANT," BIOPSY: BENIGN MULTILOCULAR PERITONEAL INCLUSION CYSTS.

Matted cysts up to 30 cm



Molecular Findings

- *TNS3::MAP3K3* and *ZFPM2::ELF5* fusions

Panagopoulos I, et al. 2015

- No genomic alterations in a cohort of 5 cases

Devins KM, et al. 2024

Well Differentiated Papillary Mesothelial Tumor

Clinical Features

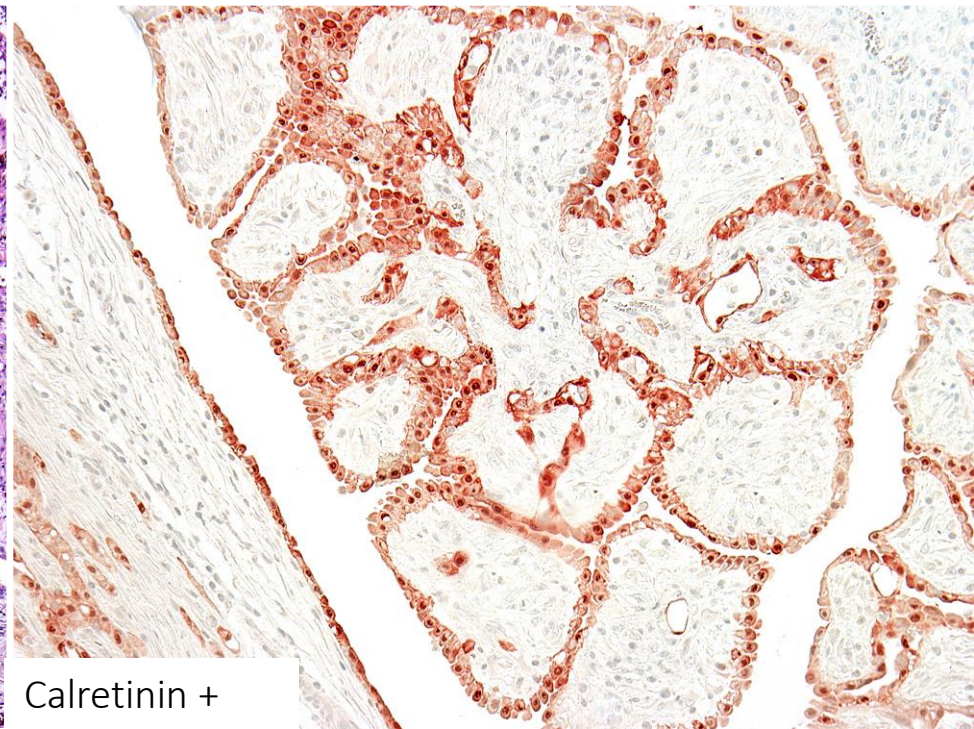
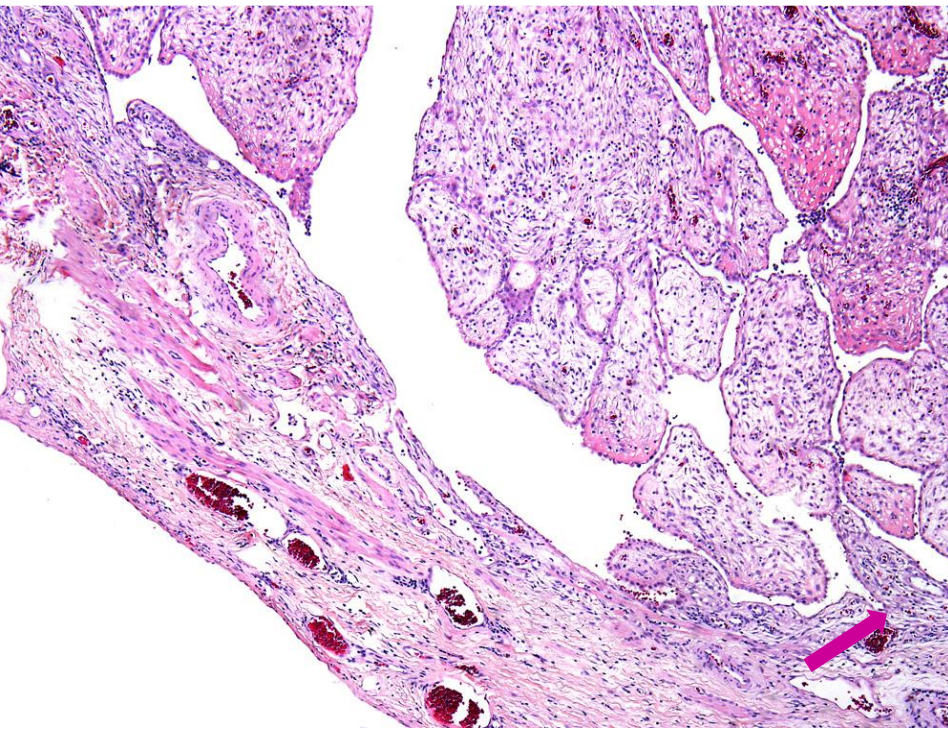
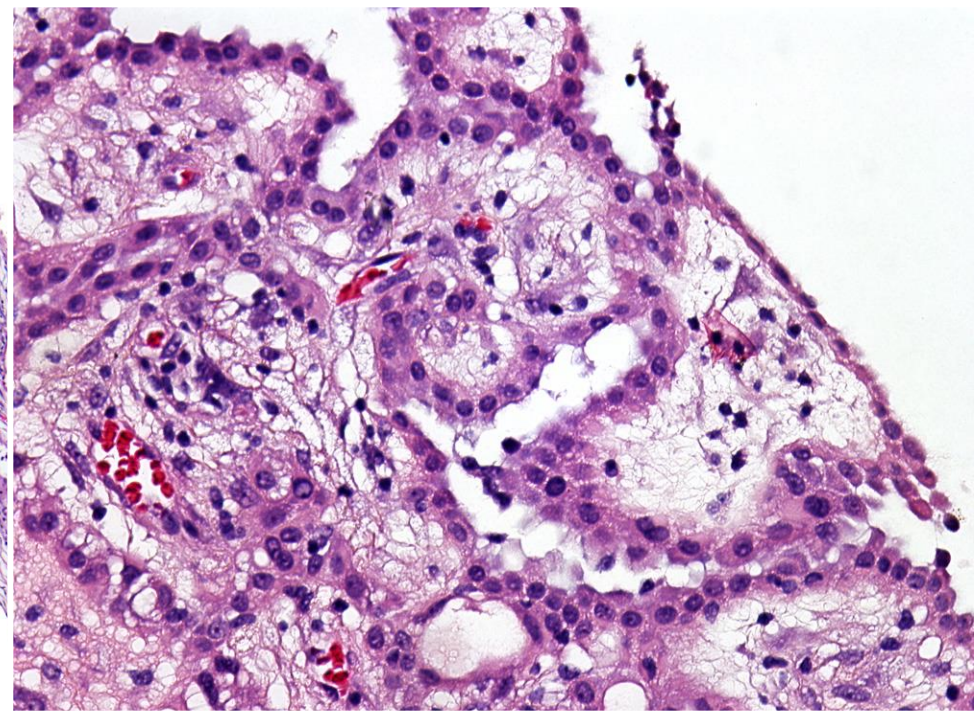
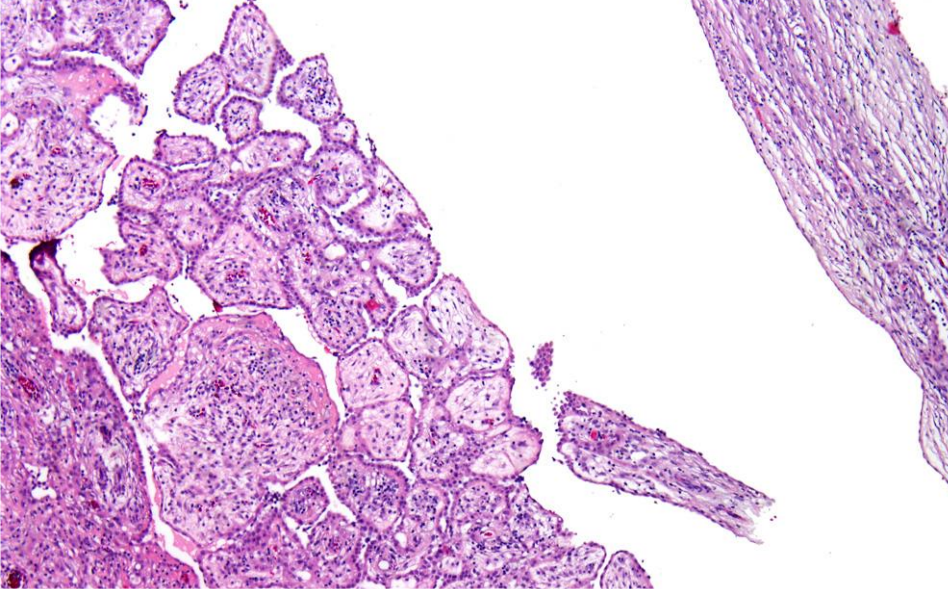
- Incidental
- Occasionally
 - Acute abdomen due to bleeding or torsion
 - Abdominal/pelvic pain
- No ascites

Gross

- Single or multiple lesions
- A few mm up to 2 cm
Malpica et al, 2012
- Up to 5 cm
Chen et al, 2013

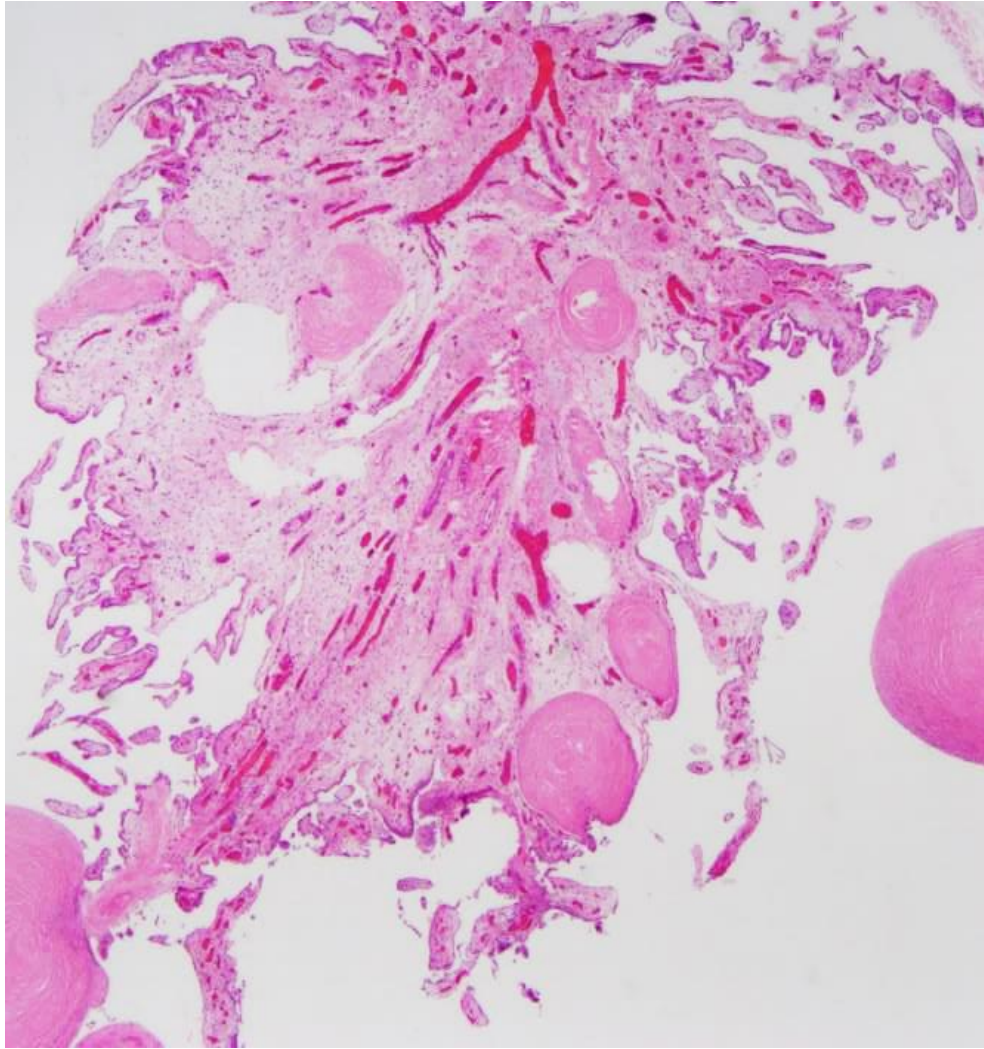
Well Differentiated Papillary Mesothelial Tumor

WDPMT in the fimbrial end of the fallopian tube -a perfect example!
1.5 cm lesion, non-coalescent papillae, no invasion into the wall, bland cytology and up to 1 mitosis per 10 HPFs

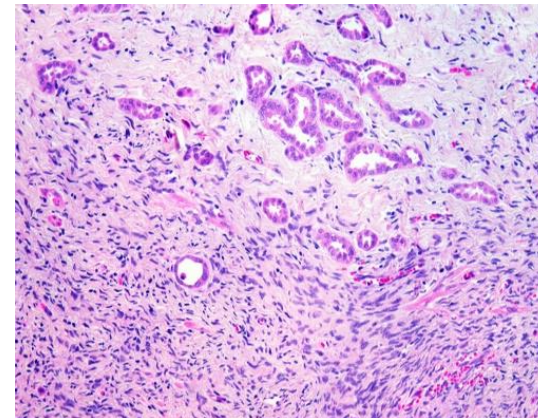


Calretinin +

Dx Challenges



- Detached fragment of tumor
- Large tumor size
- Multifocal involvement
- Papillary cores with an exuberant mesothelial component
- “Seedling” vs. true invasion

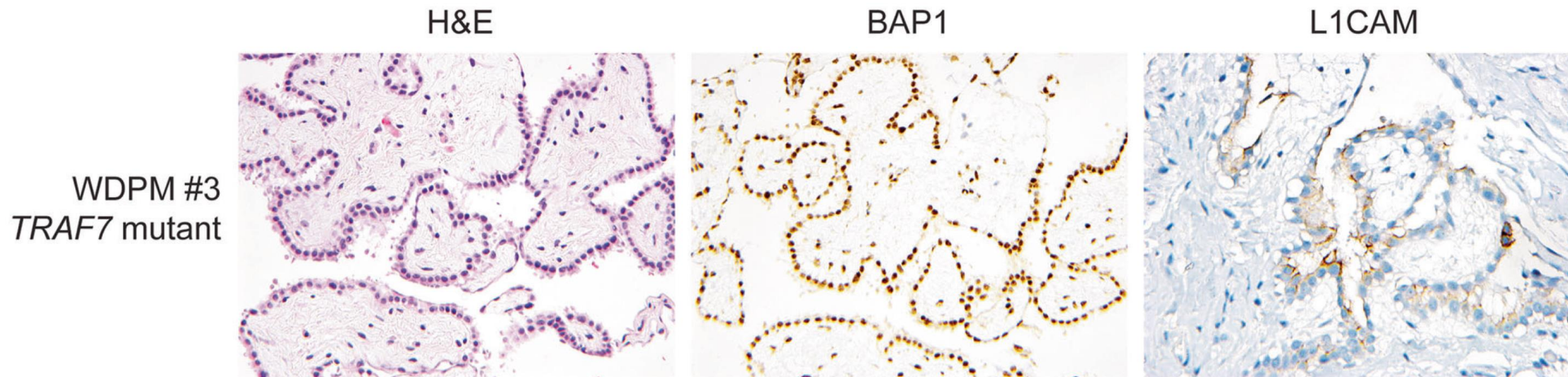
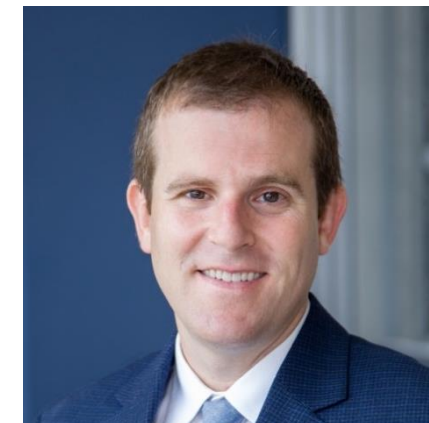


“Seedling” < 0.5 mm

Well-differentiated papillary mesothelioma of the peritoneum is genetically defined by mutually exclusive mutations in TRAF7 and CDC42

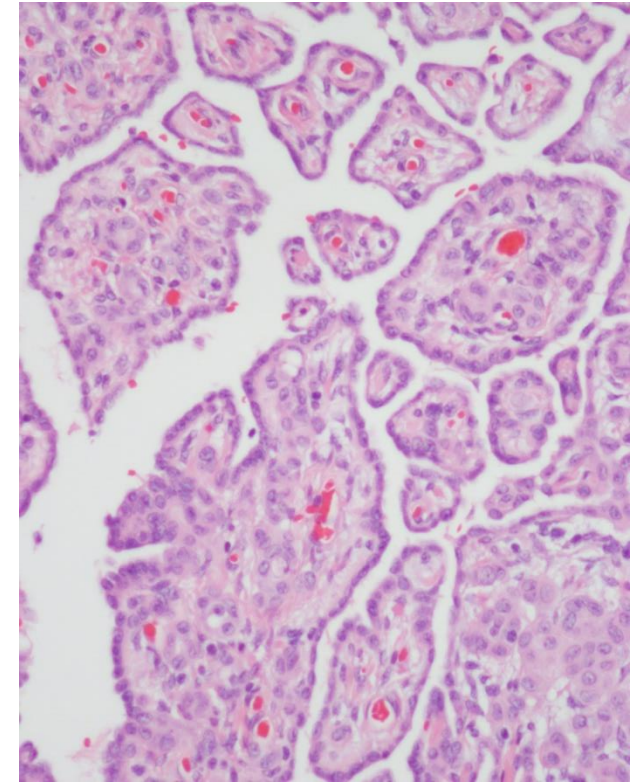
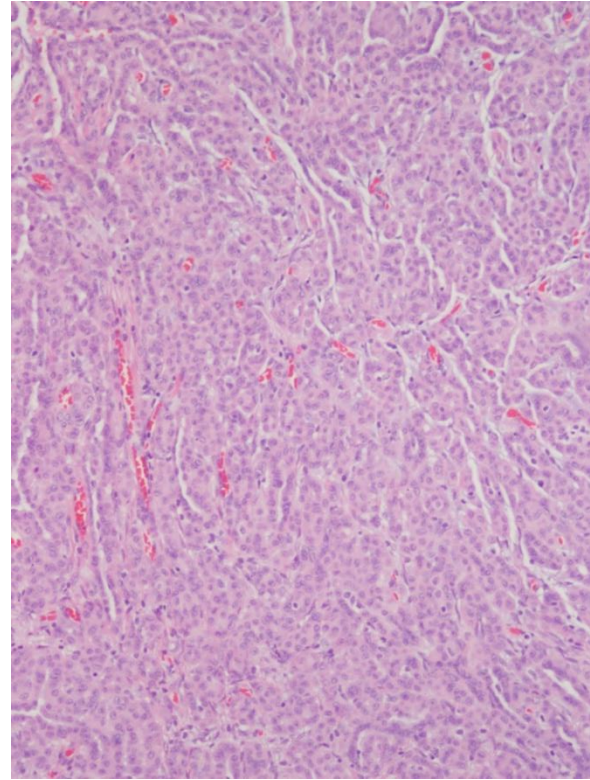
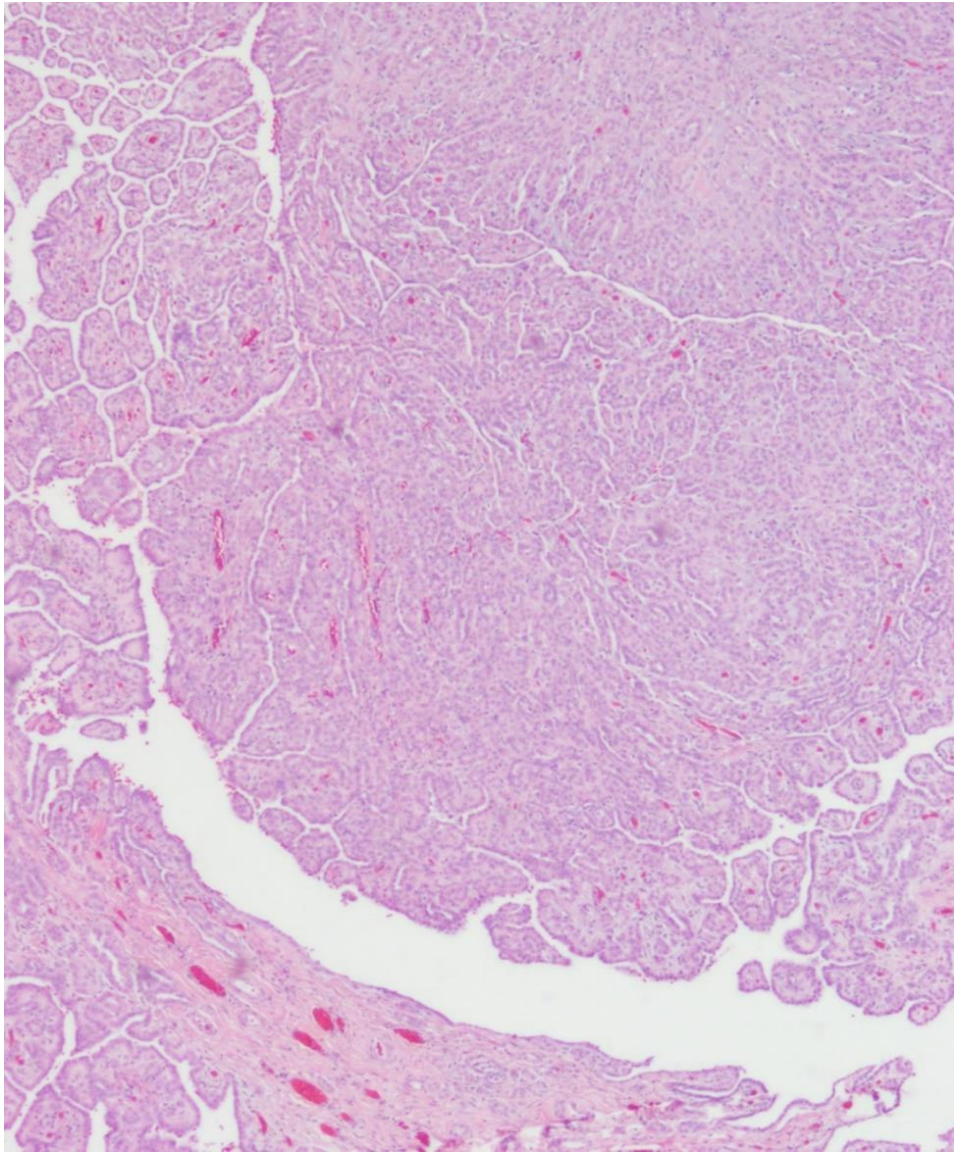
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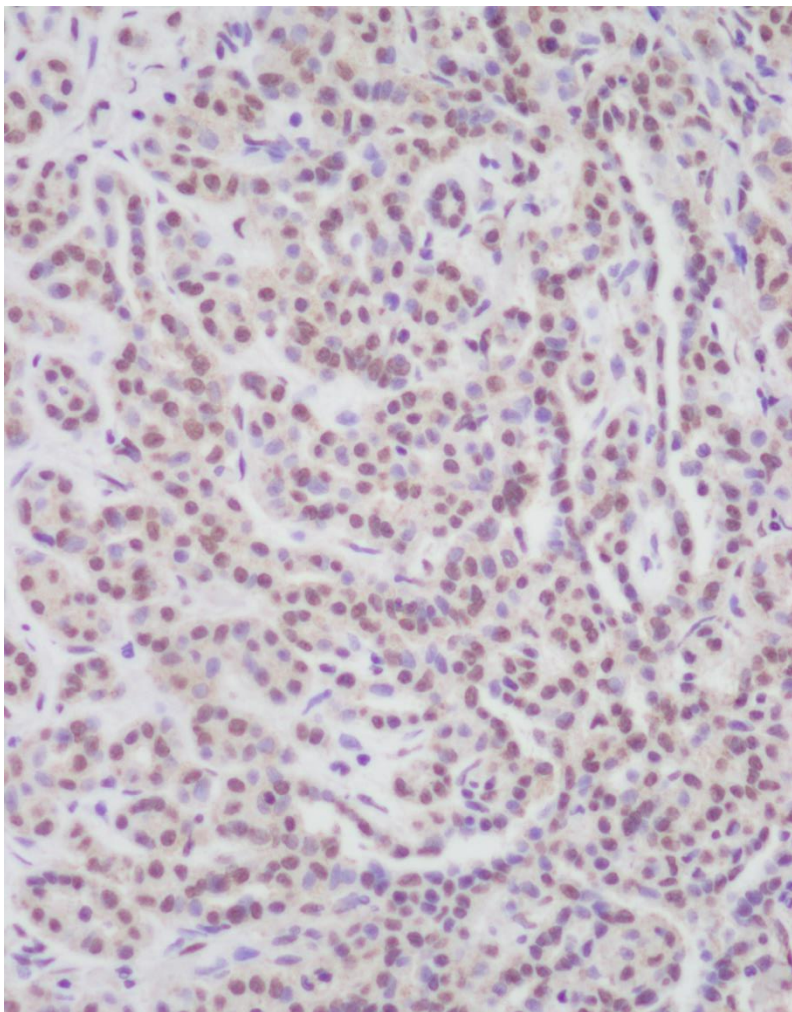


Other WDPMT specific mutations are *EHD1*, *ATM**, *FBX*, *FBXO10*, *SH2D2A*, *CDH5*, *MAGED1*, and *TP73*
Shrestha R, et al. 2020

* Malignant peritoneal mesothelioma in a male infant with *ATM* mutation
Mijalovski A, et al. 2018



48 y.o. female with an incidentally found,
0.5 cm nodule in the left fallopian tube



BAP-1 retained

No *CDKN2A* homozygous deletion by FISH

Targeted next generation sequencing



CDC42 somatic mutation

Well Differentiated Papillary Mesothelial Tumor

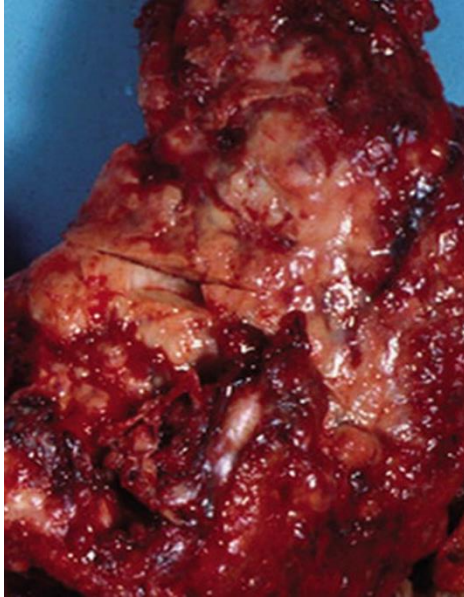
- Treatment
 - Excision
- Behavior
 - A rare case has recurred
 - In our study, 1/26 cases recurred
 - In Chen's study, no recurrences
 - In Daya's study, 1 patient alive with disease 4 years after diagnosis
 - Follow-up required

Mesothelioma of the Peritoneum in Women, Confounding Clinical Features

- Young pt 
- Elevated CA125
- Incidental finding
- No ascites
- Unusual symptoms:
 - Myasthenia gravis
 - Lymphadenopathy
 - Pain due to thrombosis

- Tumor detected in :
 - Endometrial biopsy
 - Pap smear

Gross



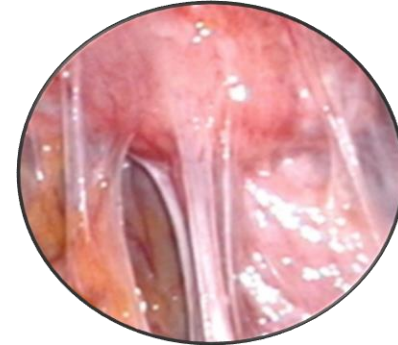
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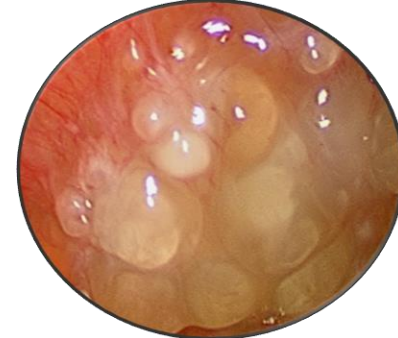
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Confounding Features

Adhesions



Gelatinous nodules



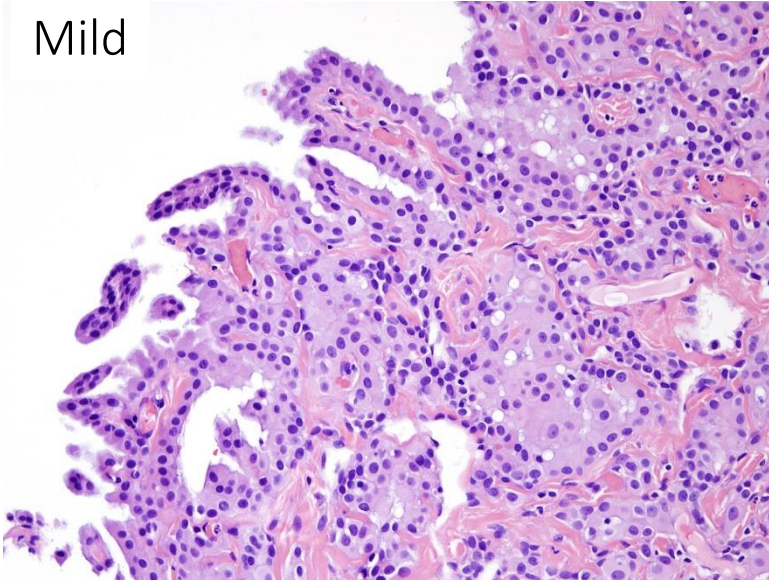
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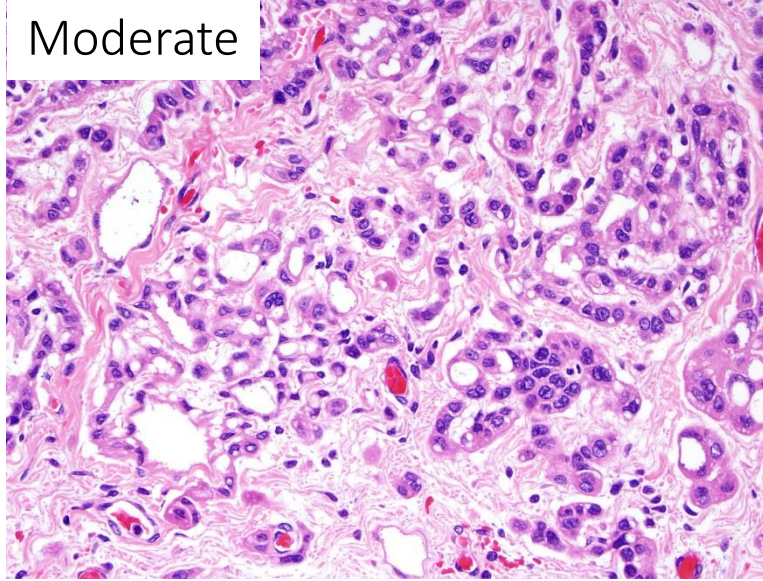
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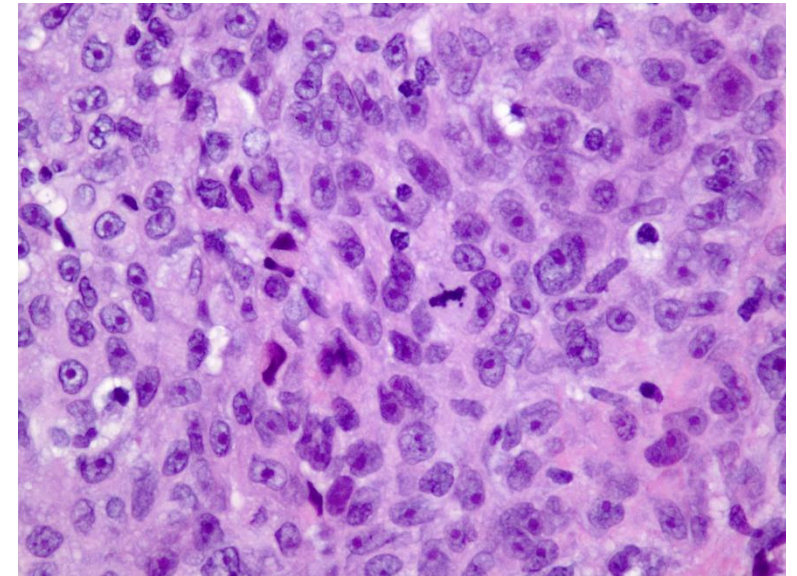
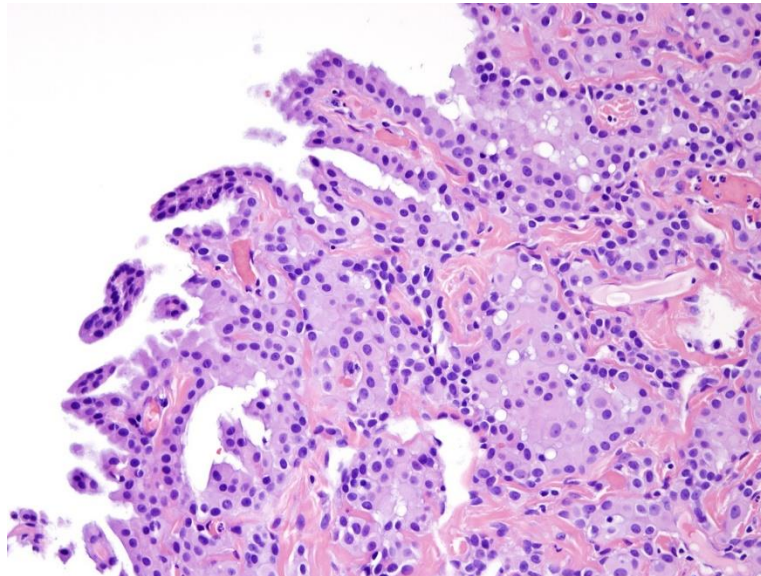
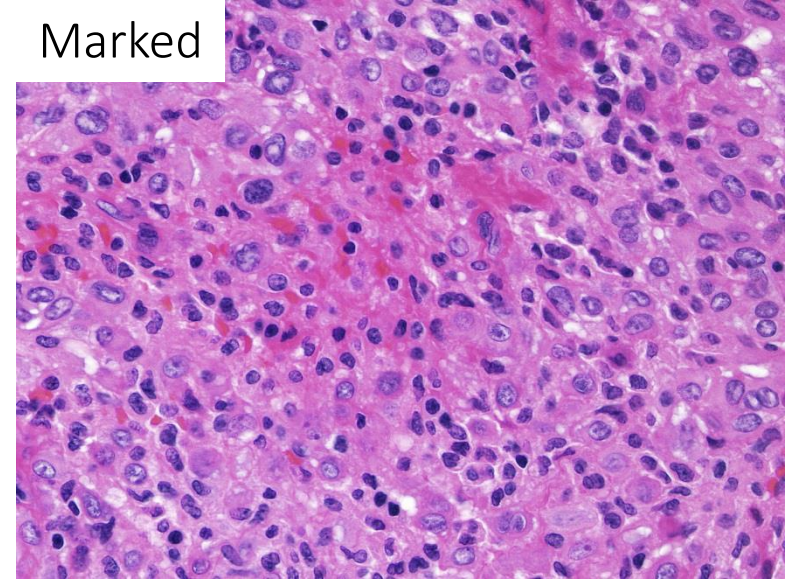
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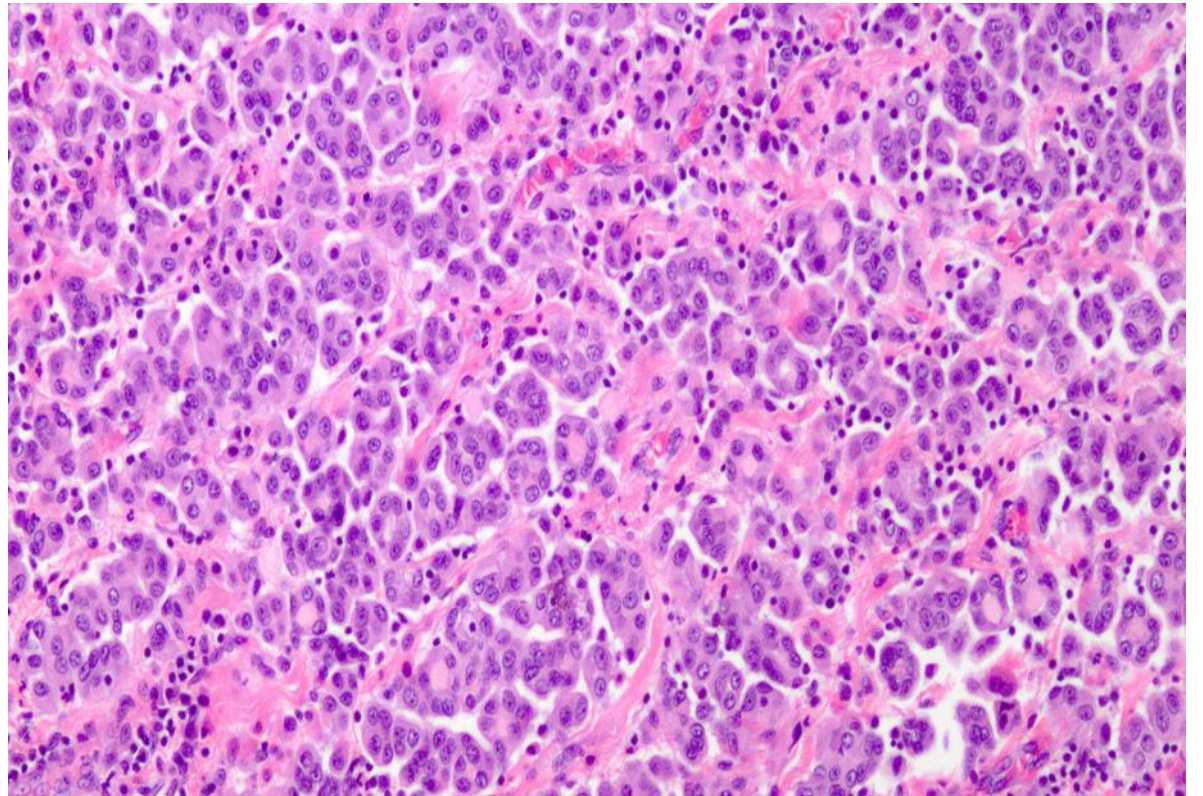
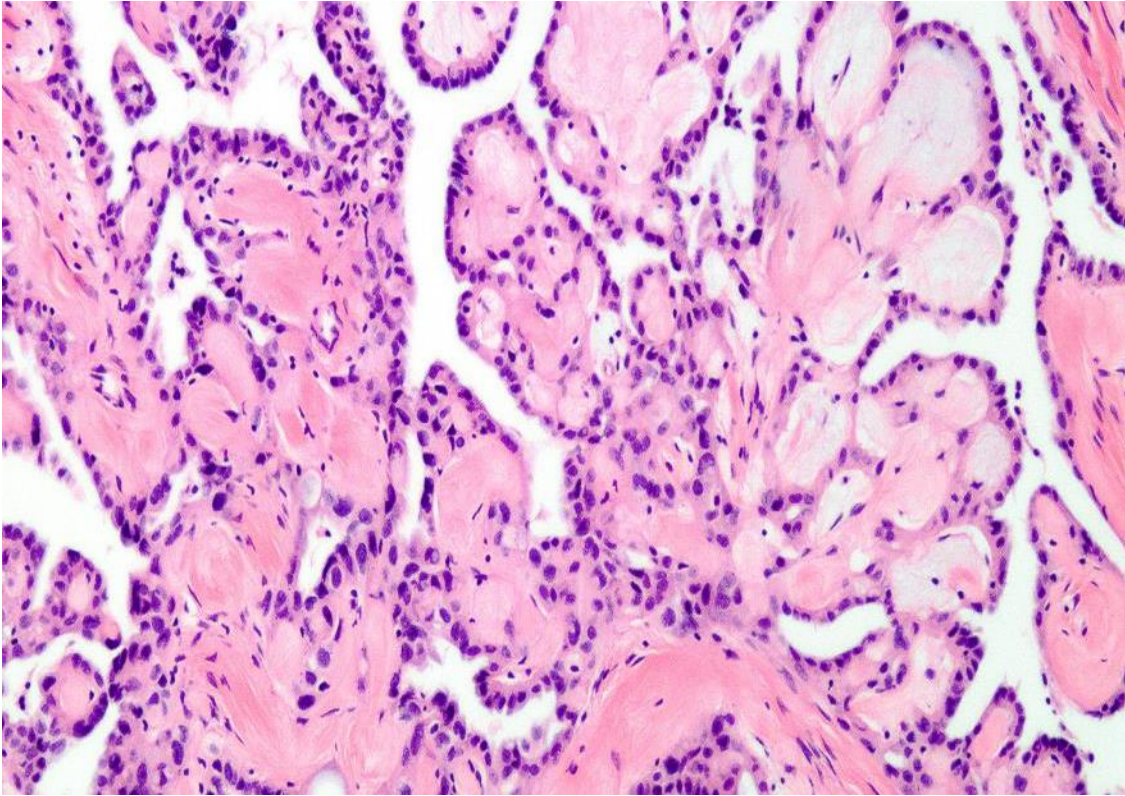


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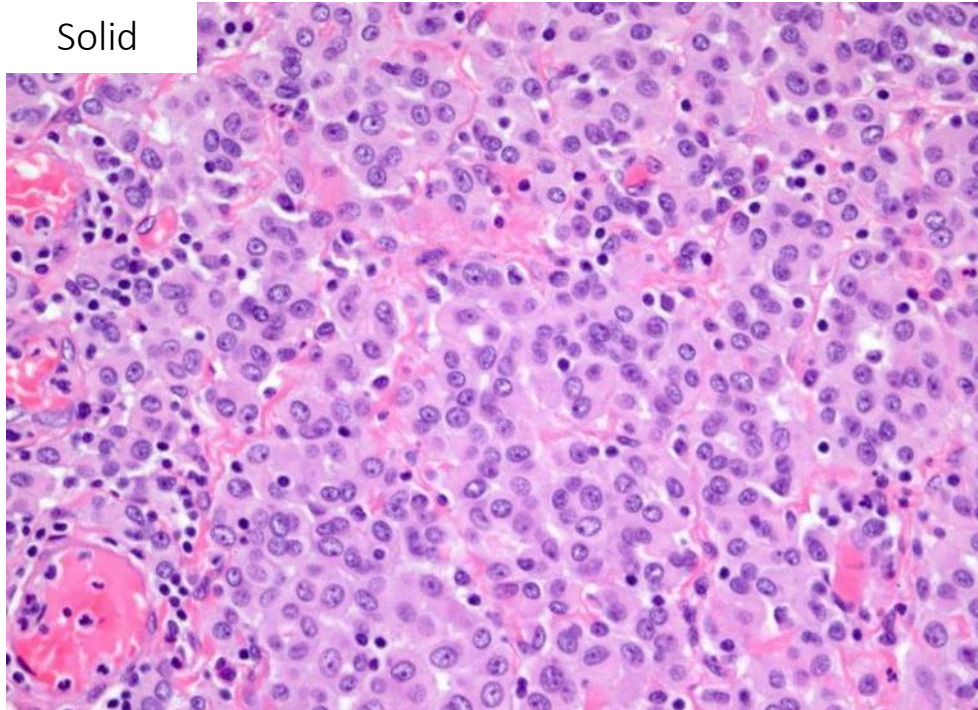


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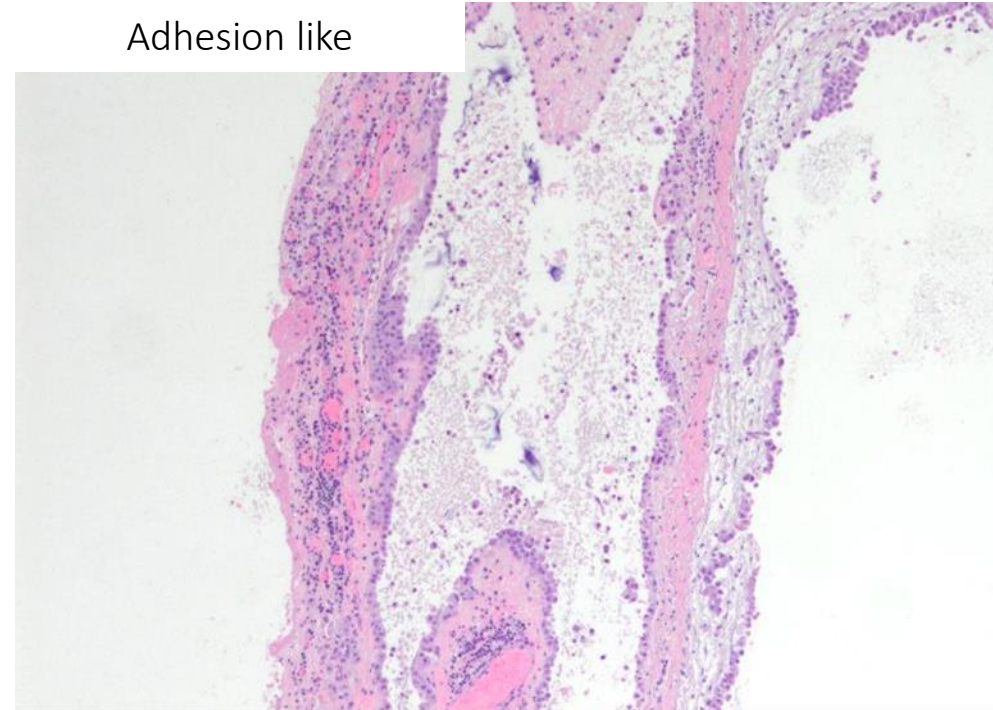
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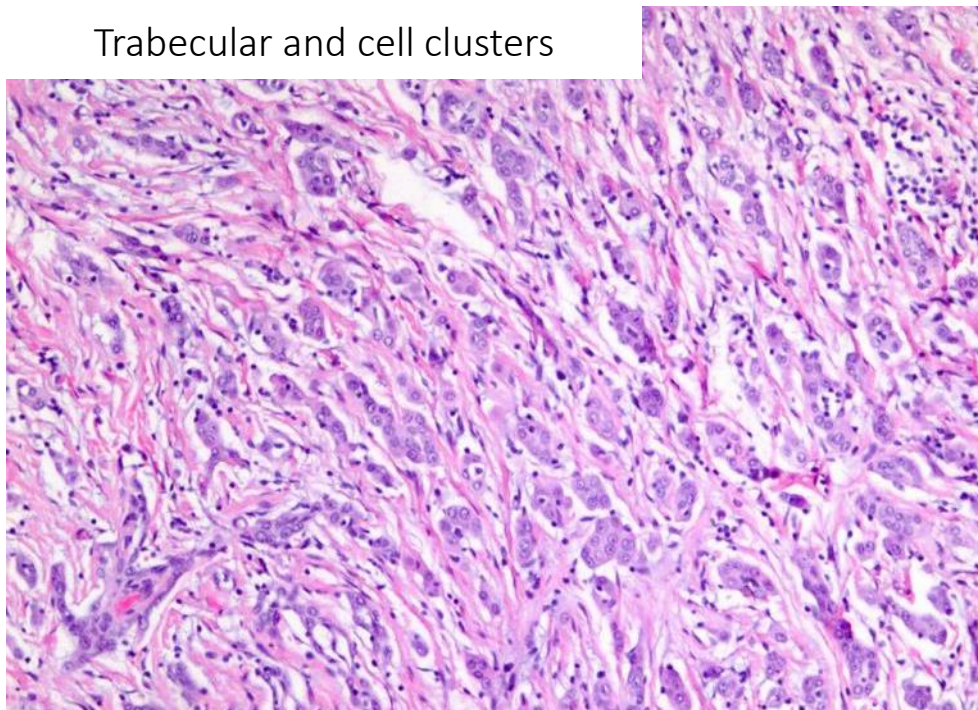
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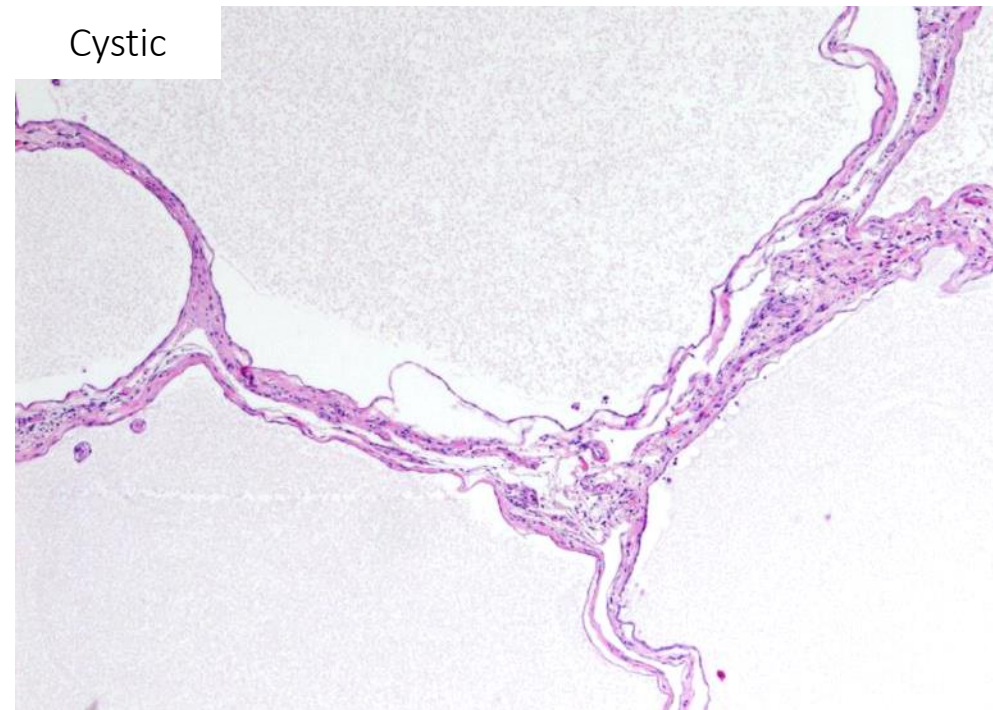
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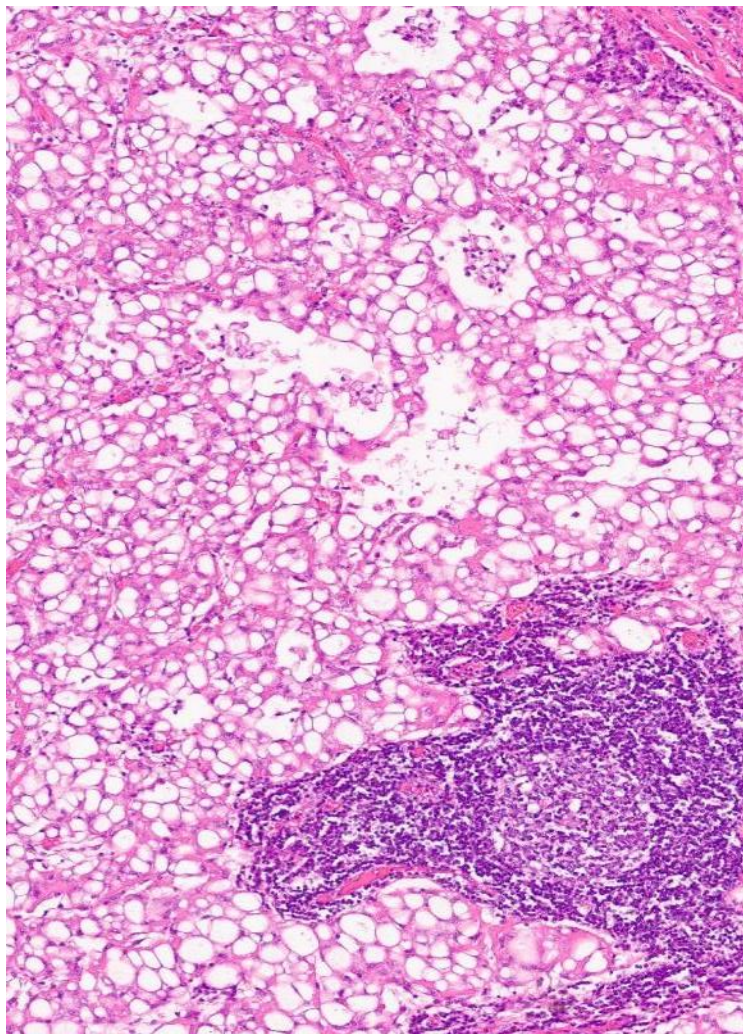
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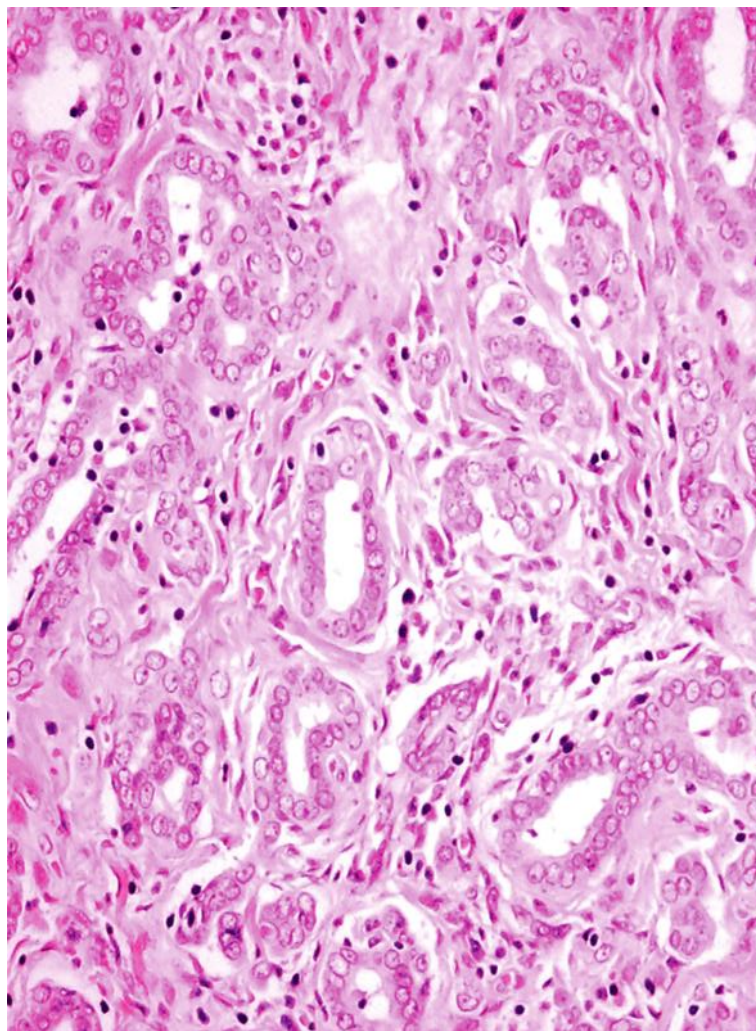
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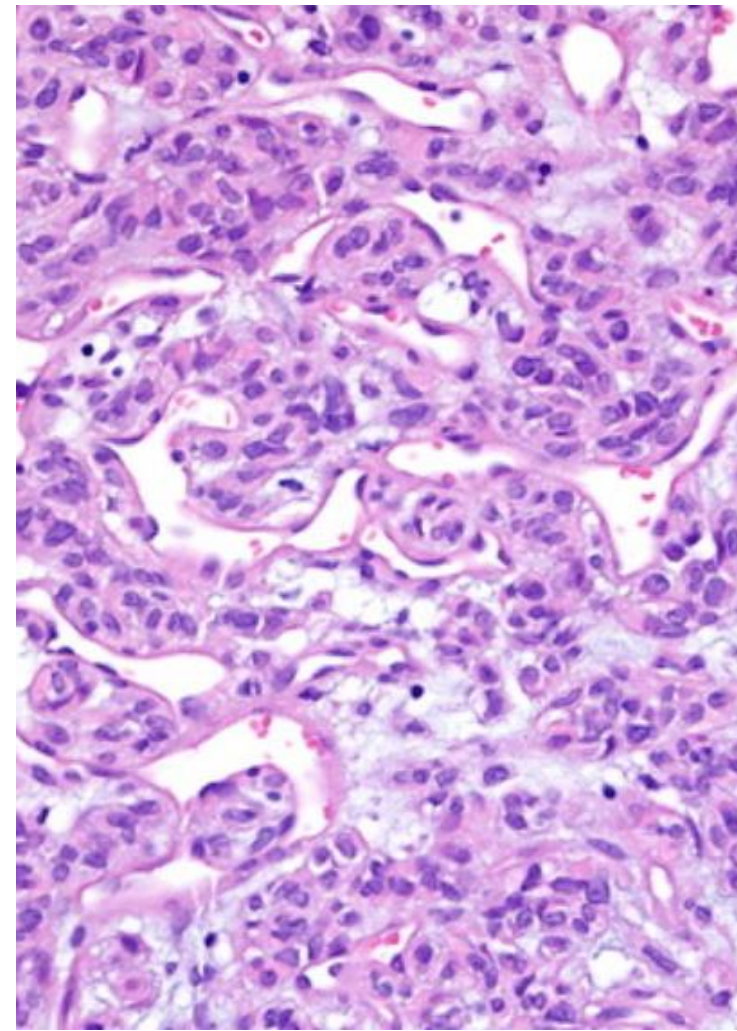
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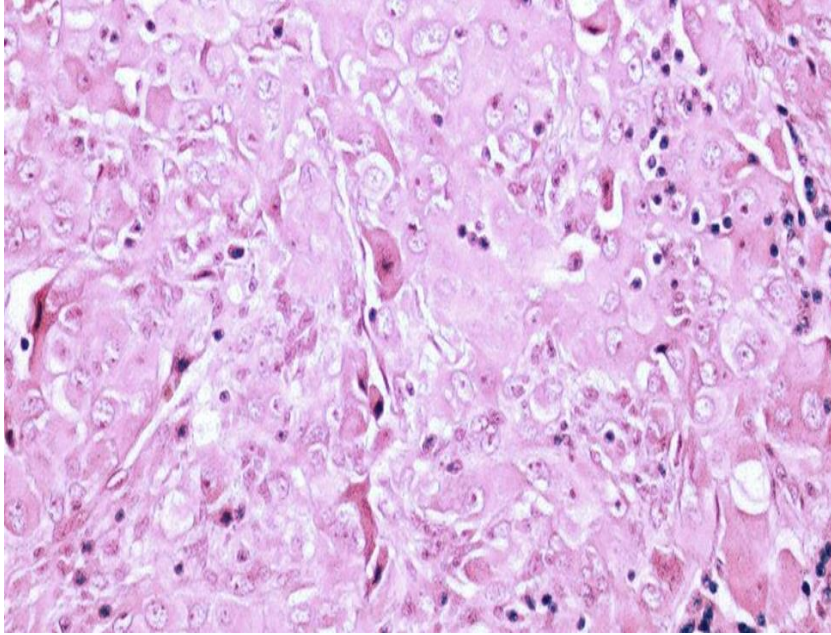
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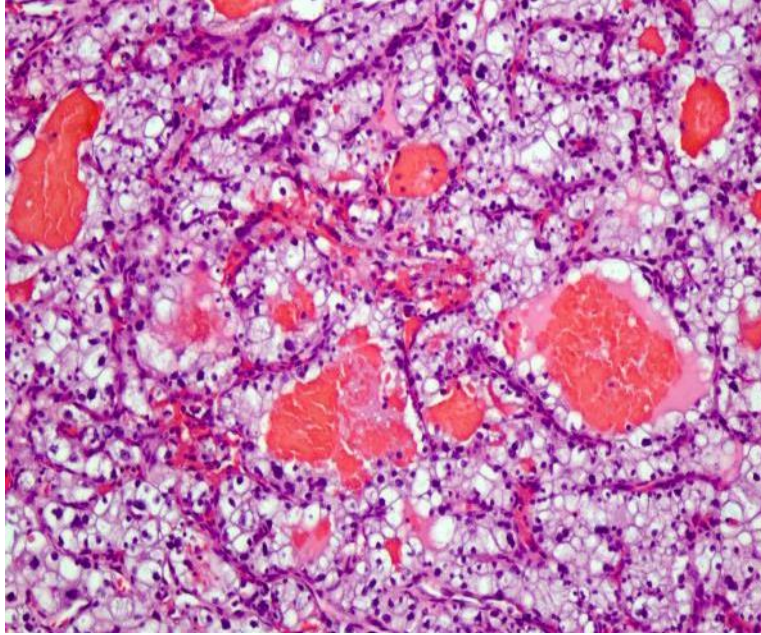
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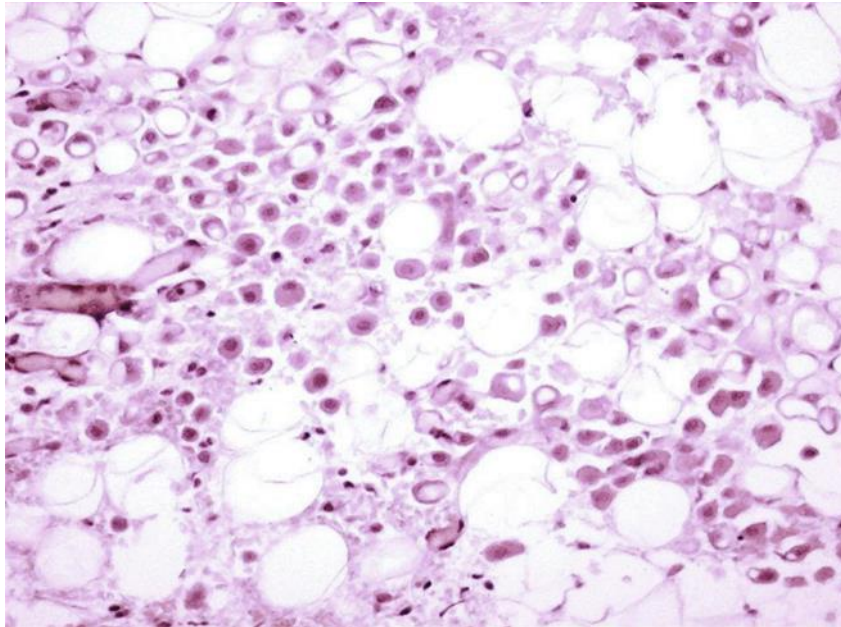
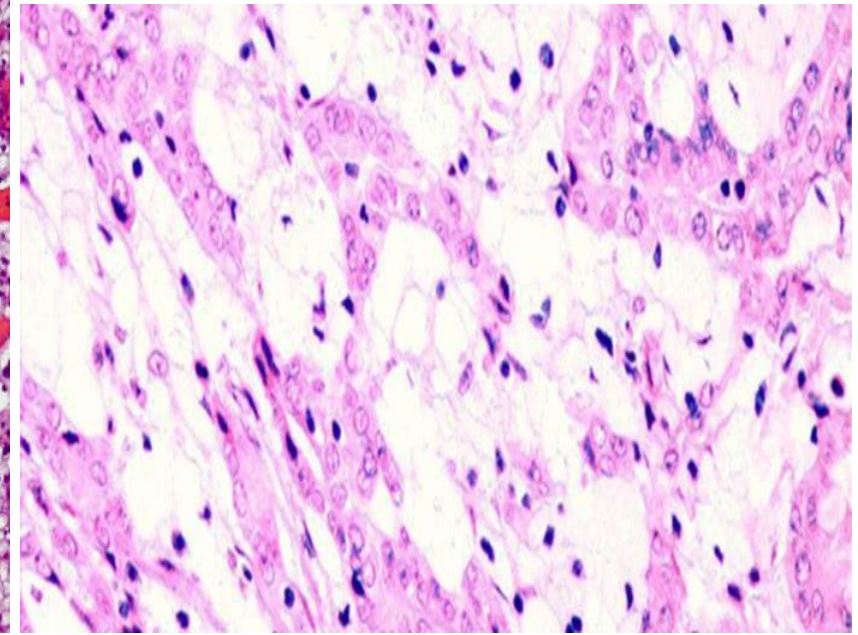
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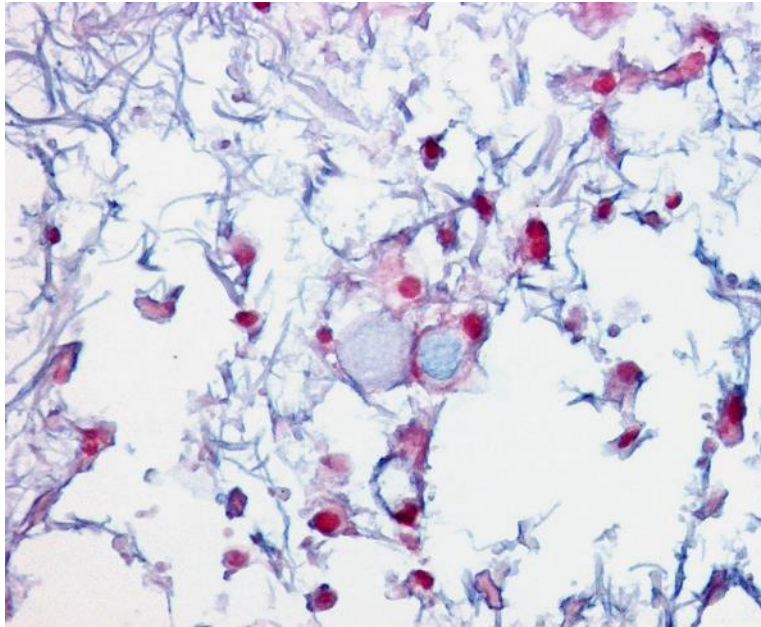
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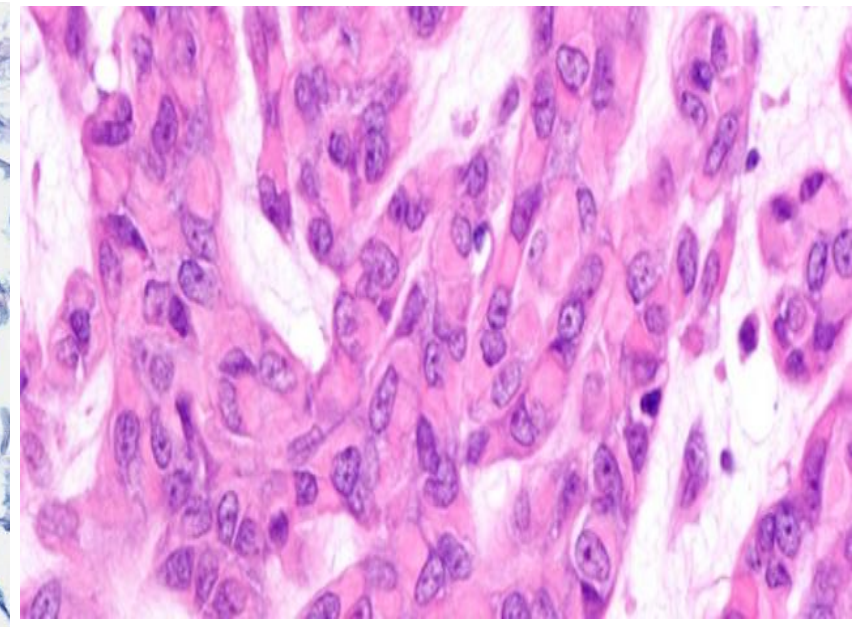
Numerous histiocytes



Signet ring cells

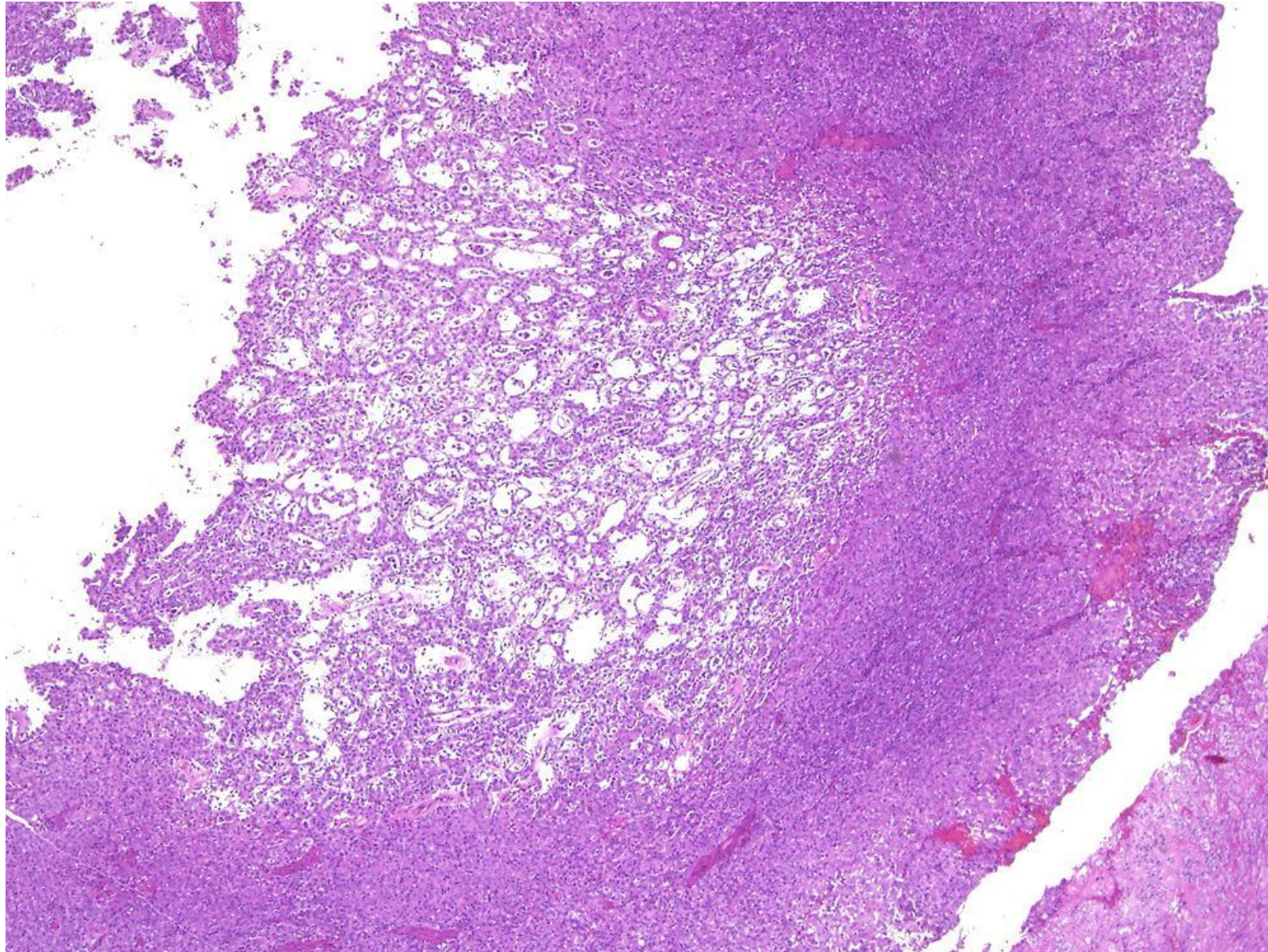


Signet ring cells, Alcian Blue, ph 2.5 +

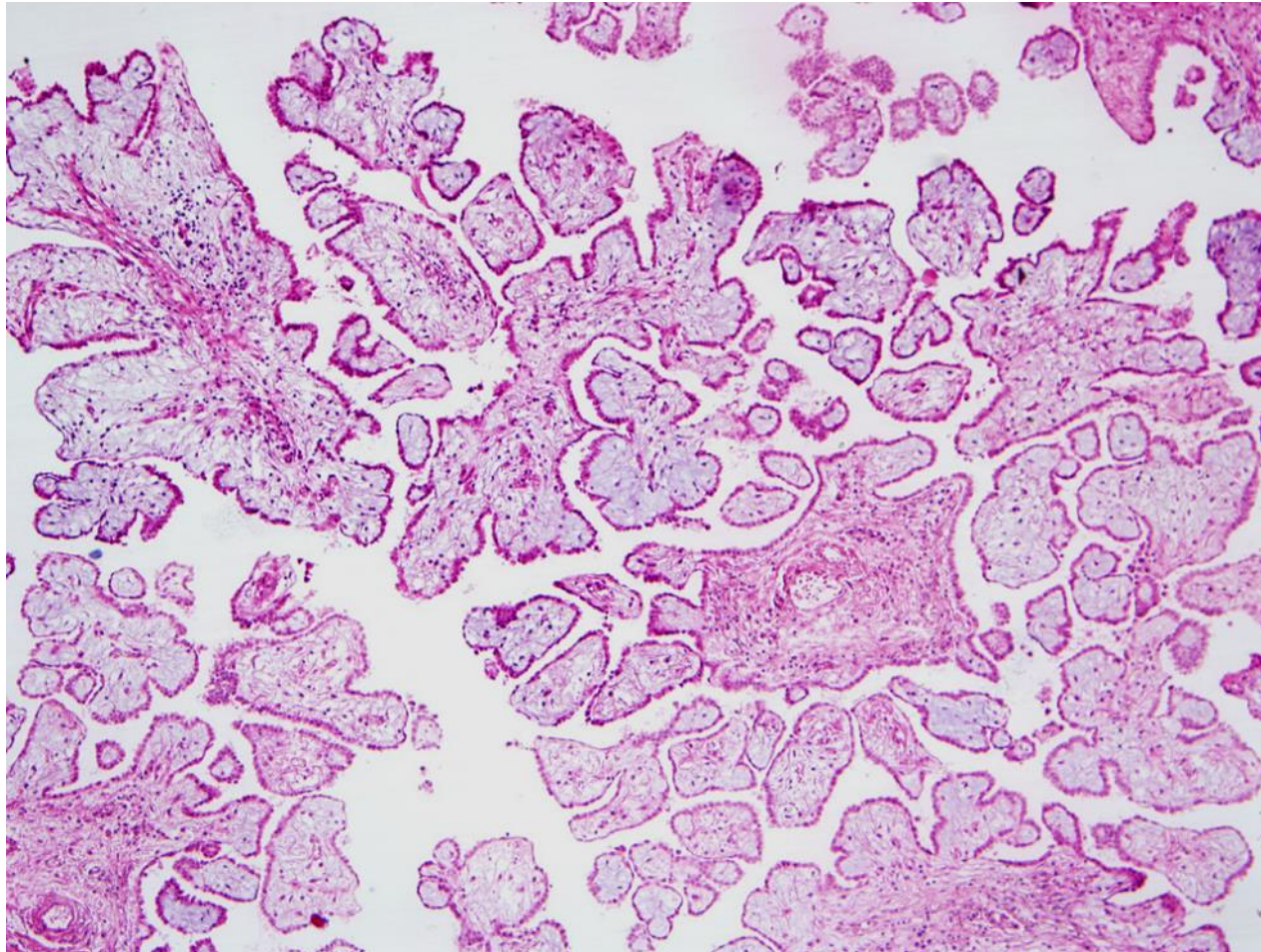


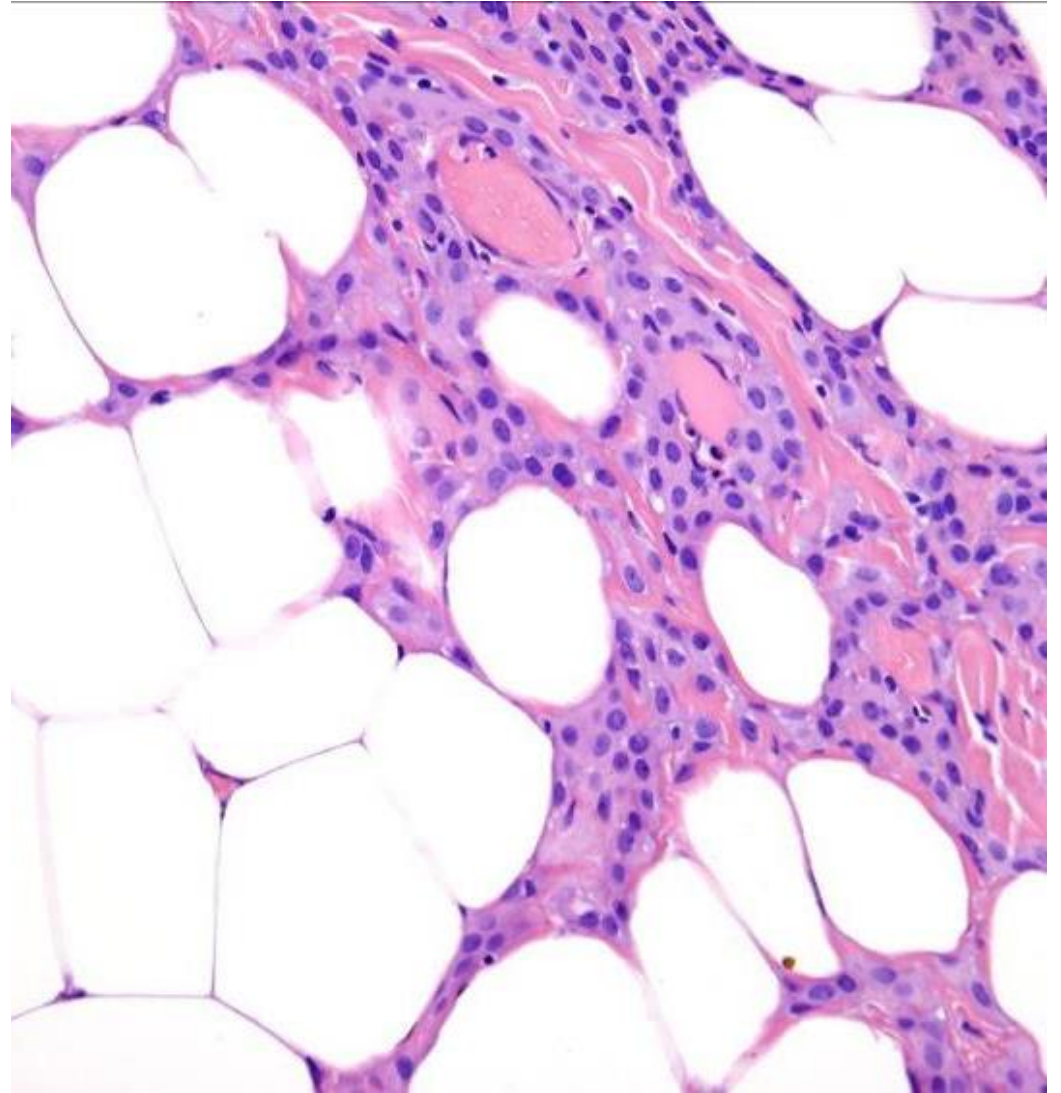
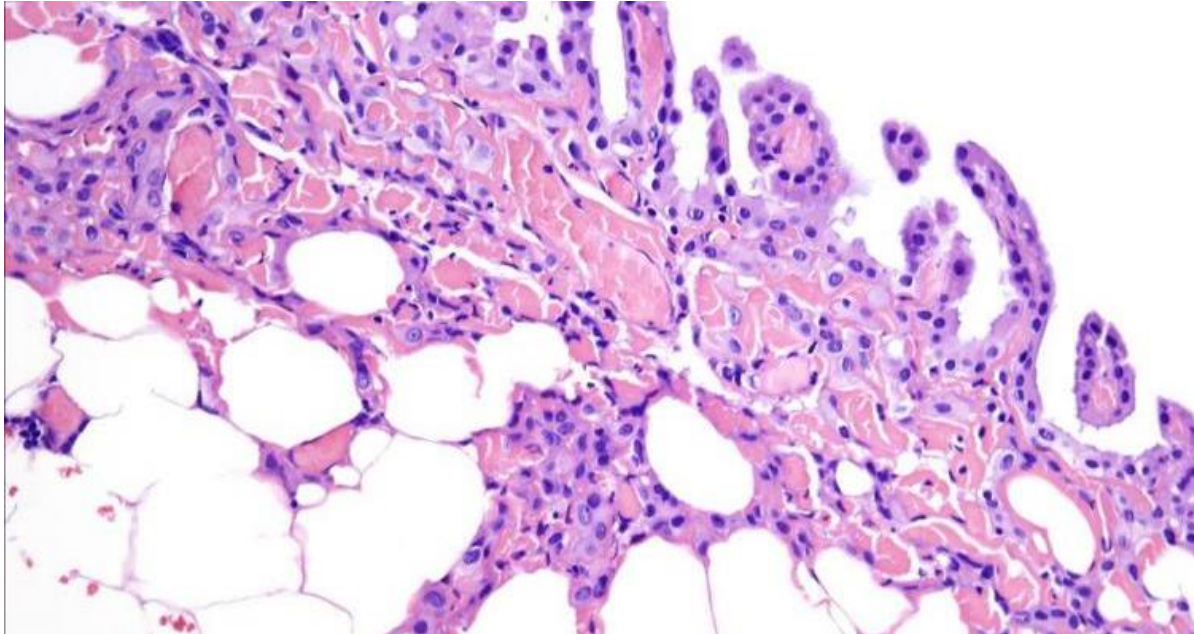
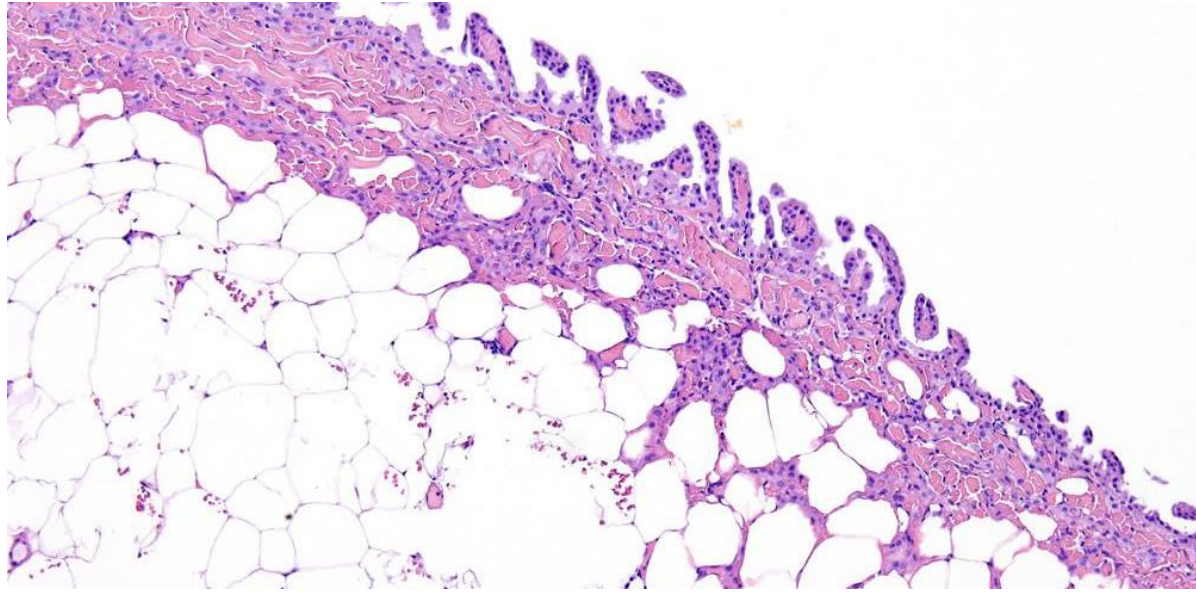
Rhabdoid cells

Forming a discrete and large mass –no invasion in the sections examined,
this tumor measured 9 cm and was located in the cul de sac



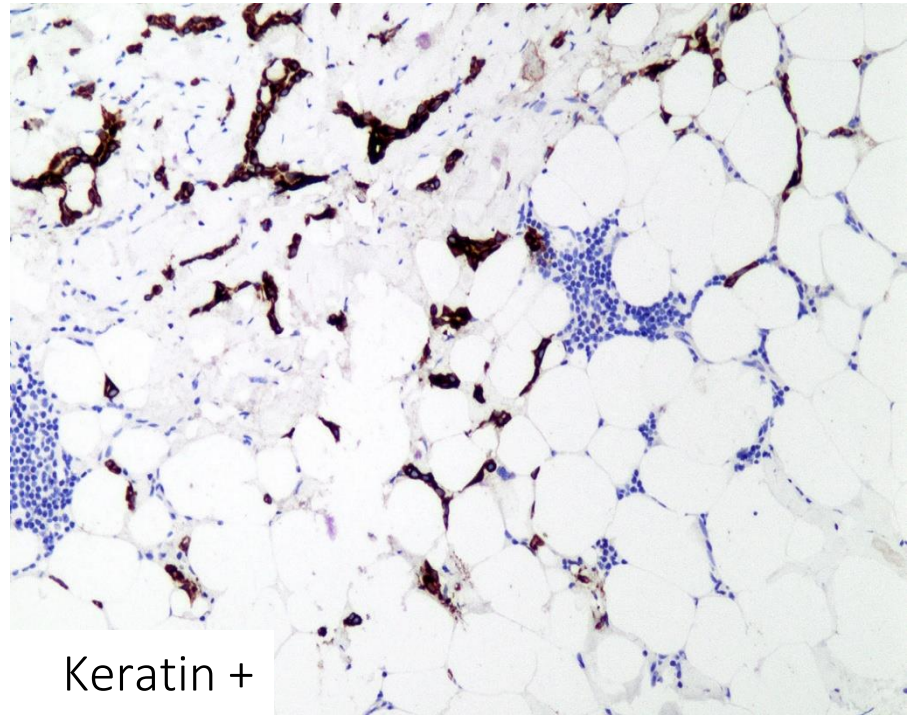
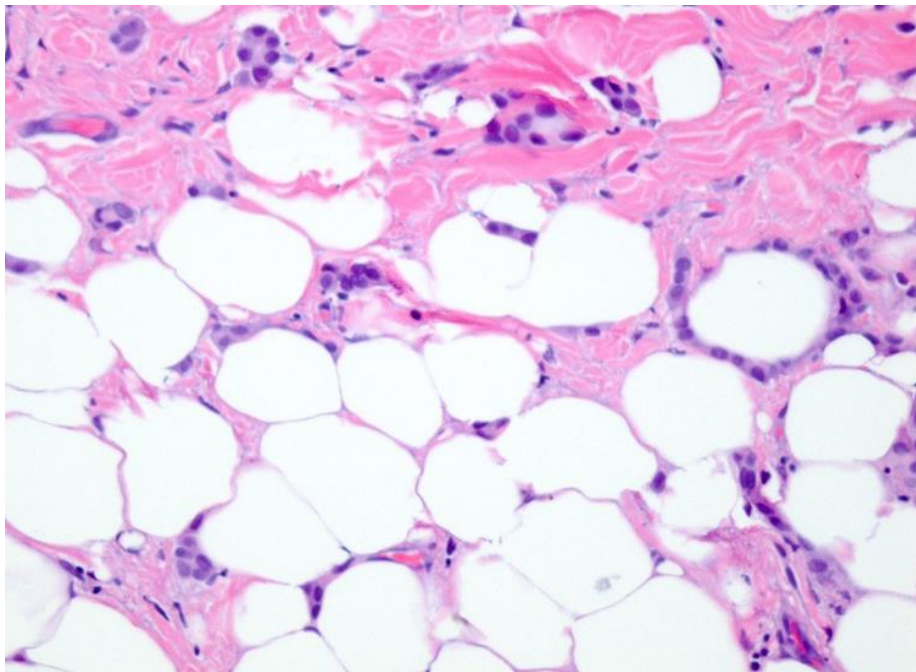
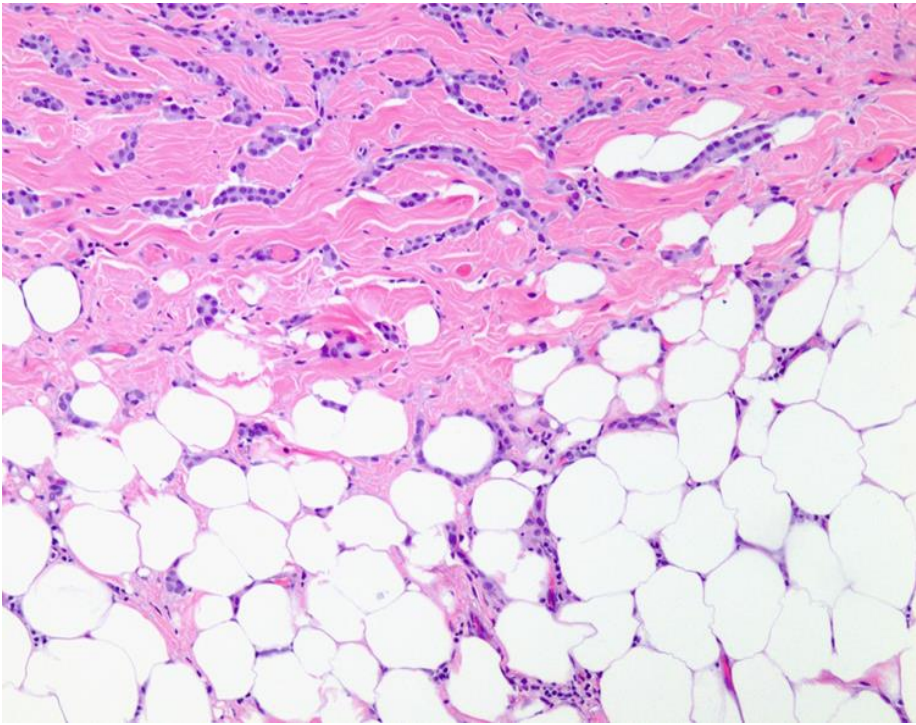
Mesothelioma mimicking a well differentiated papillary mesothelial tumor,
but with diffuse involvement of the peritoneum



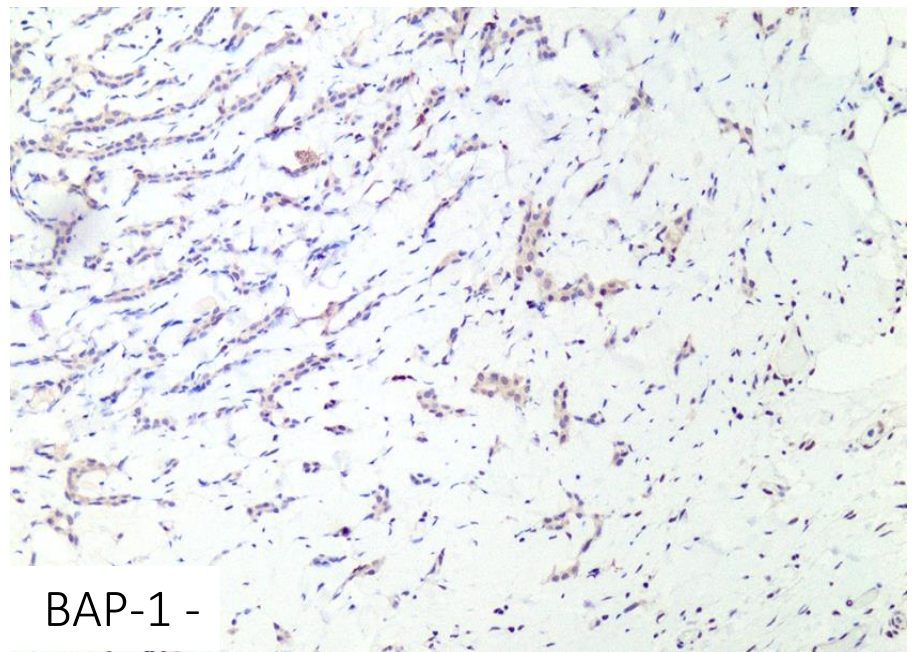


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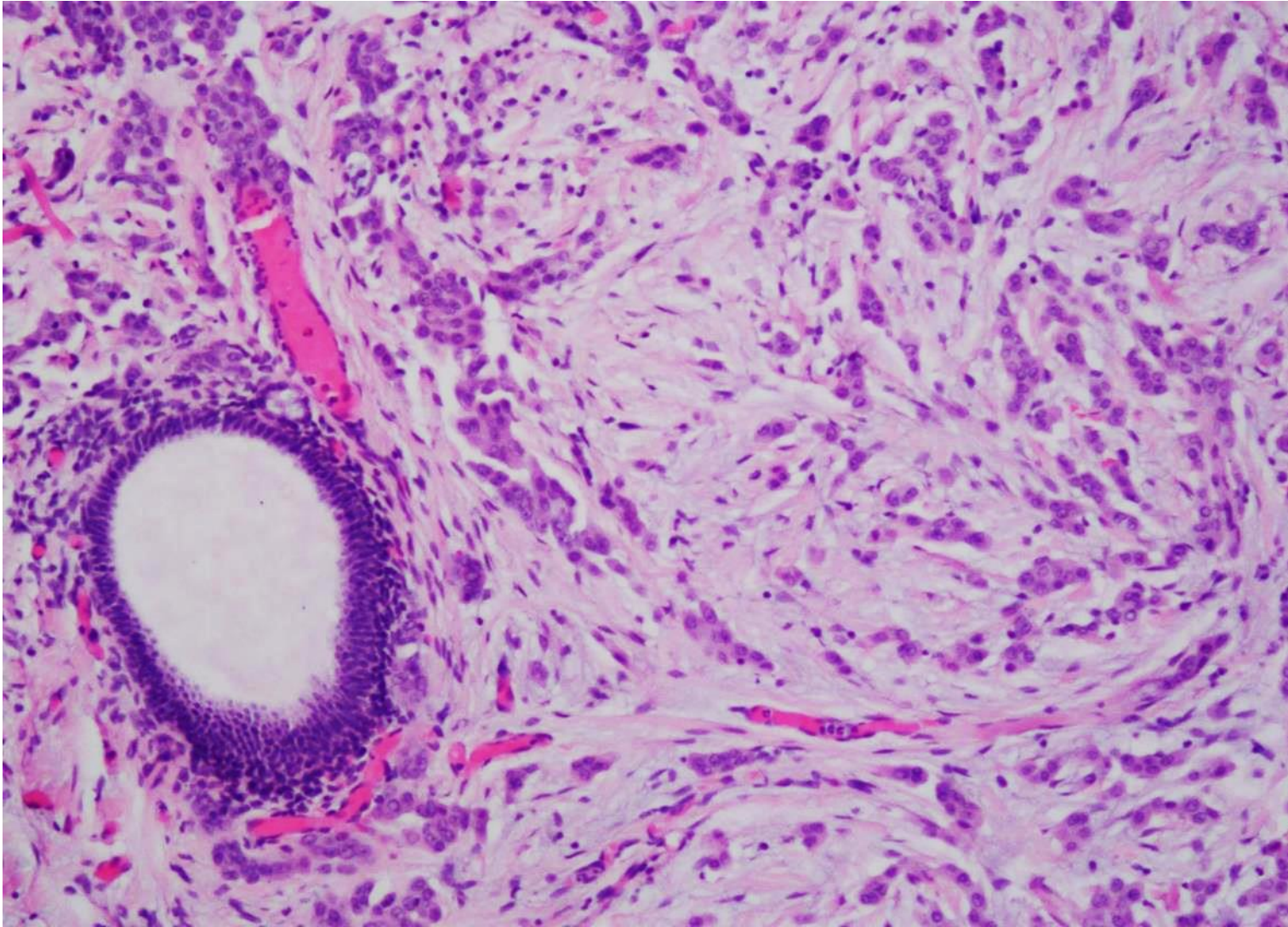
Mesothelioma as an Incidental Finding



Keratin +

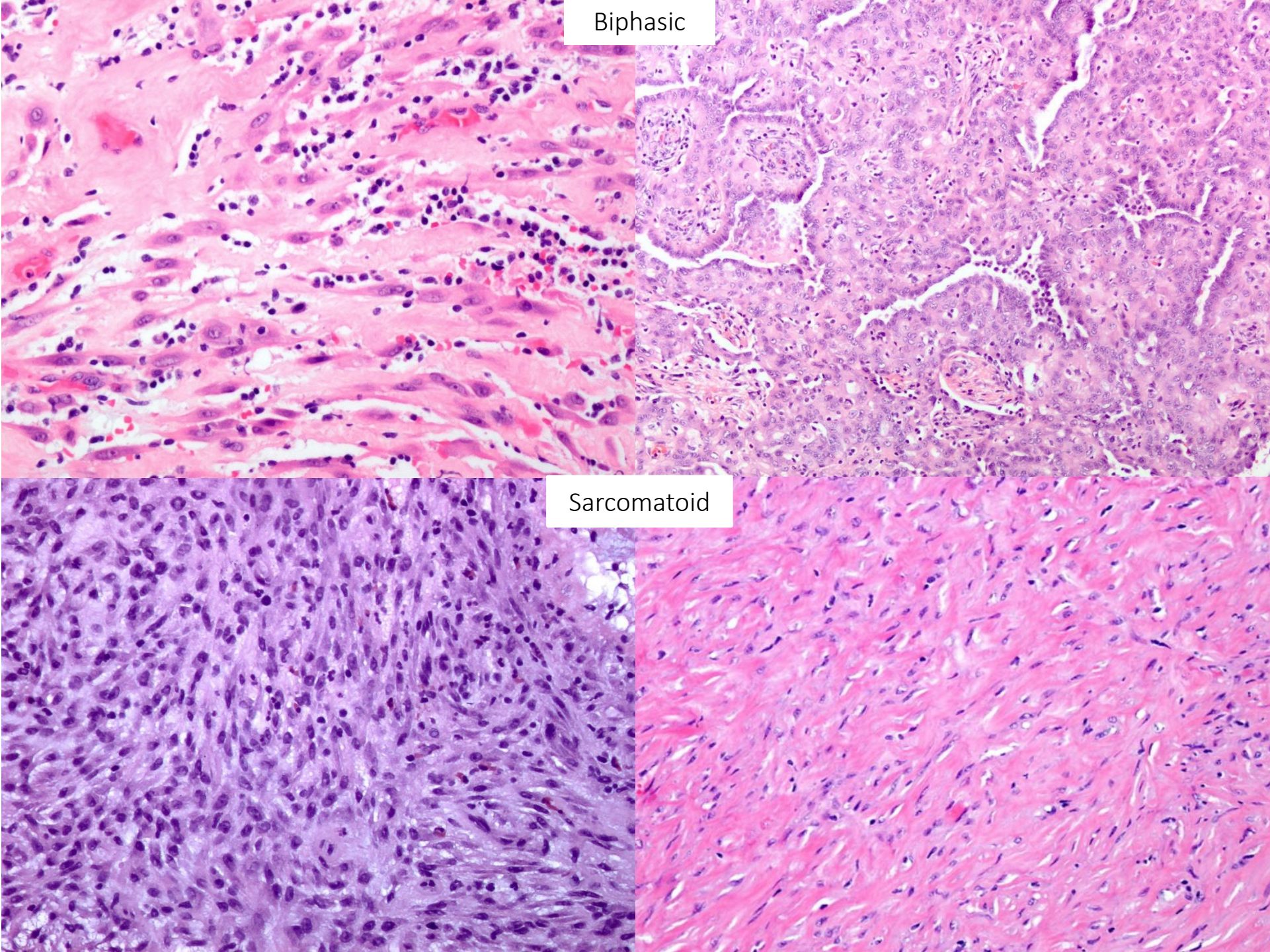


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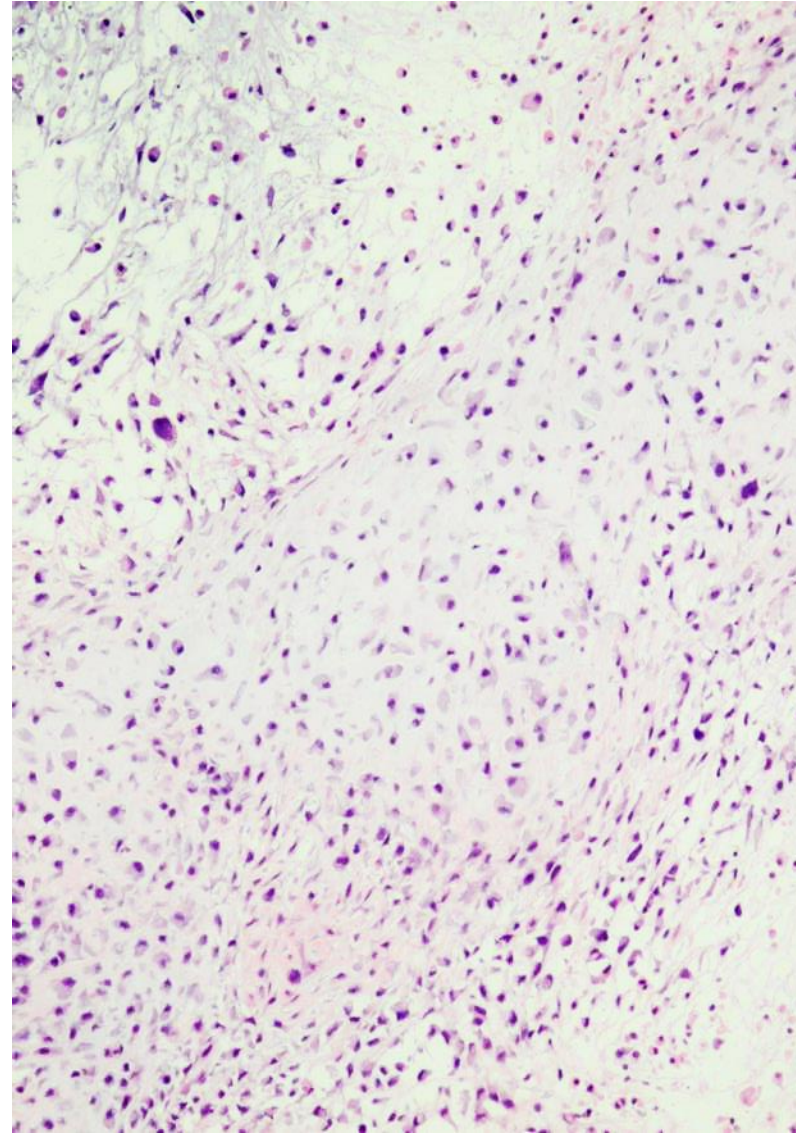
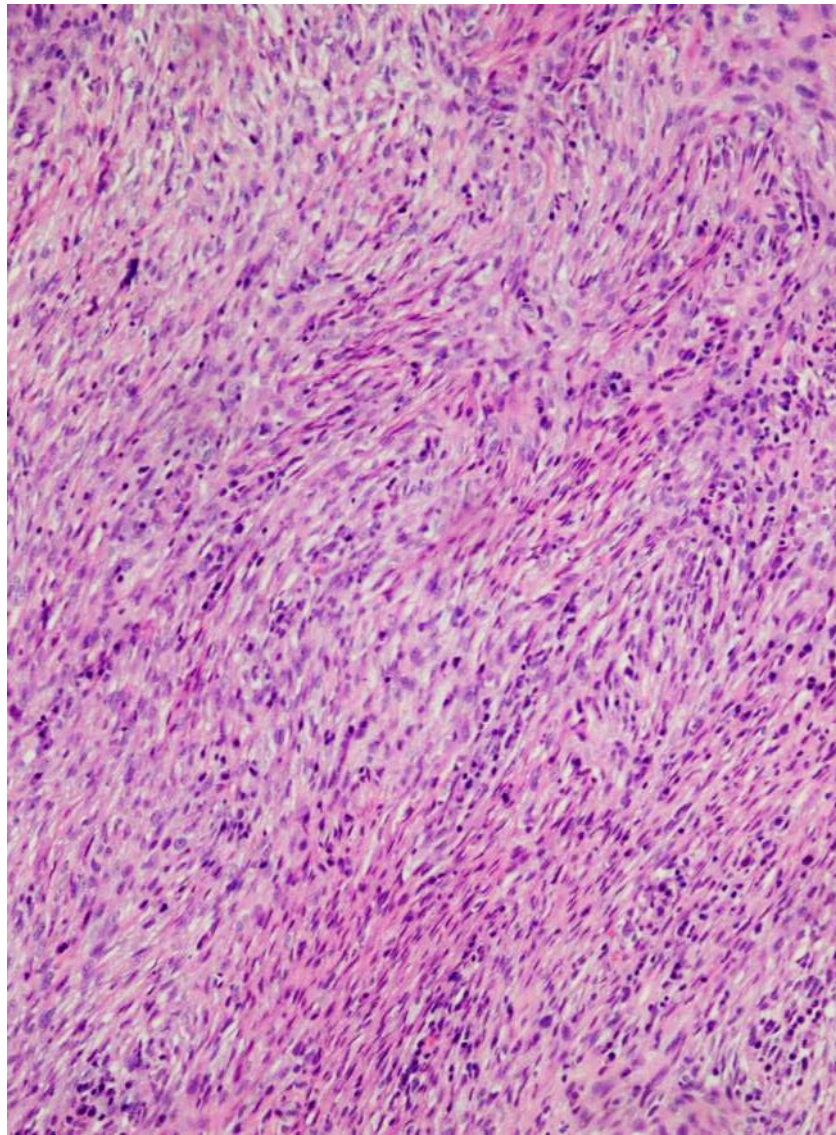
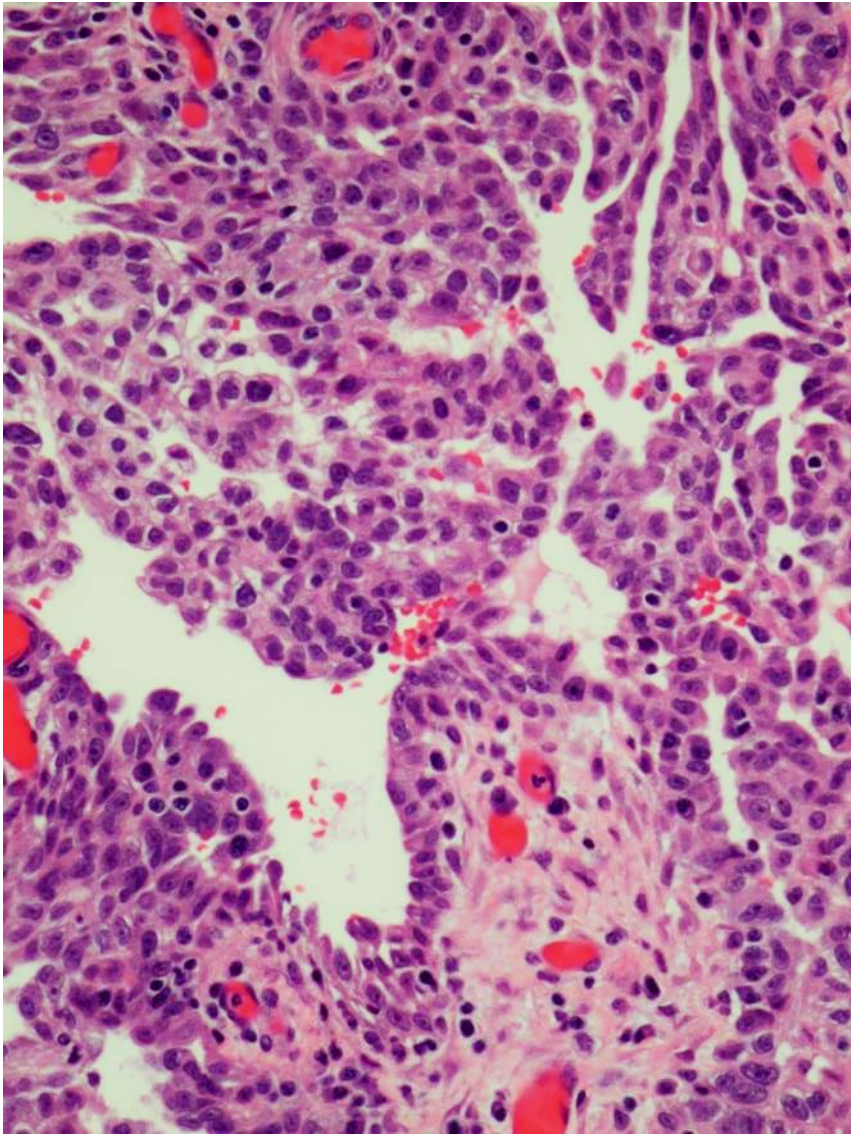


Mesothelioma and endometriosis

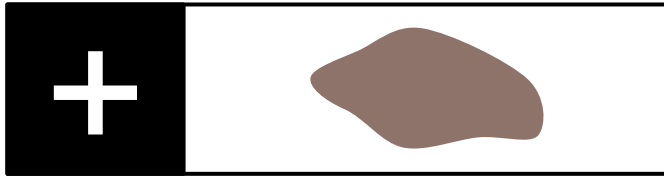
Calretinin and D2-40, best markers for spindle cell morphology



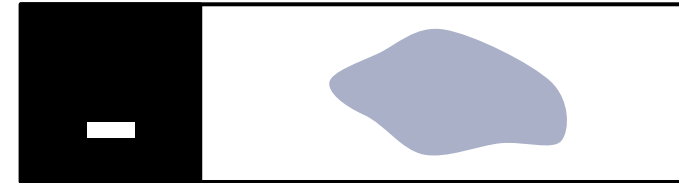
Mesothelioma, Biphasic, with Cartilage



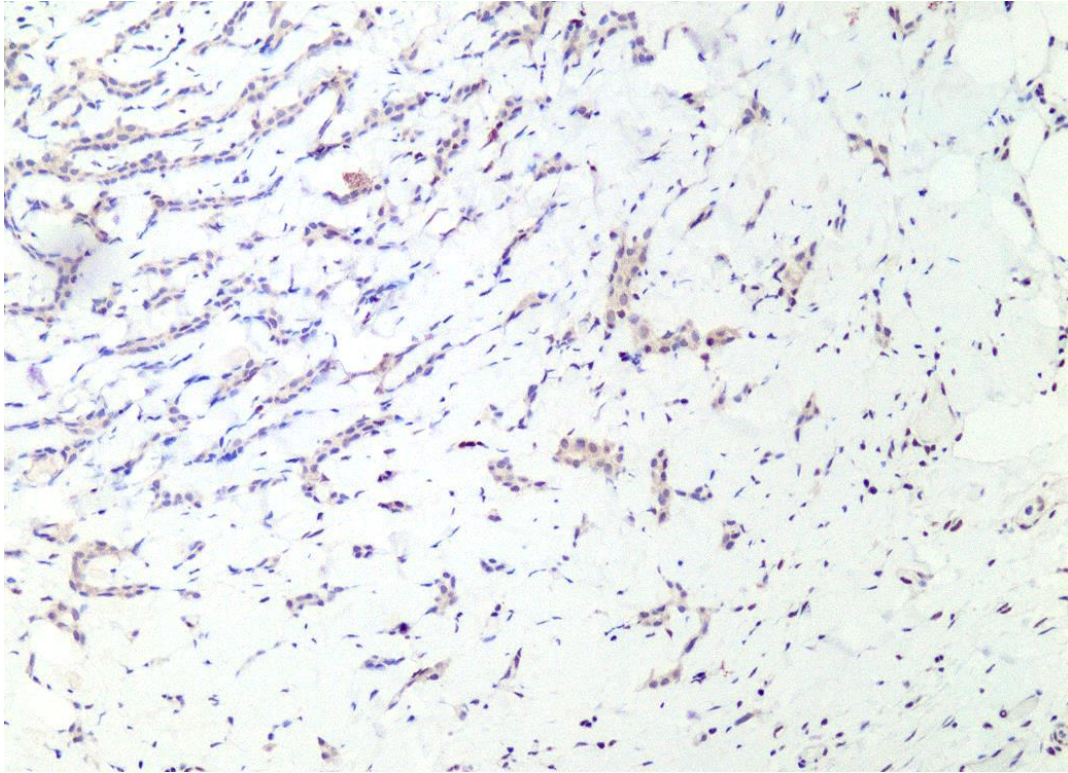
Mesothelioma of the Peritoneum – IHC Features



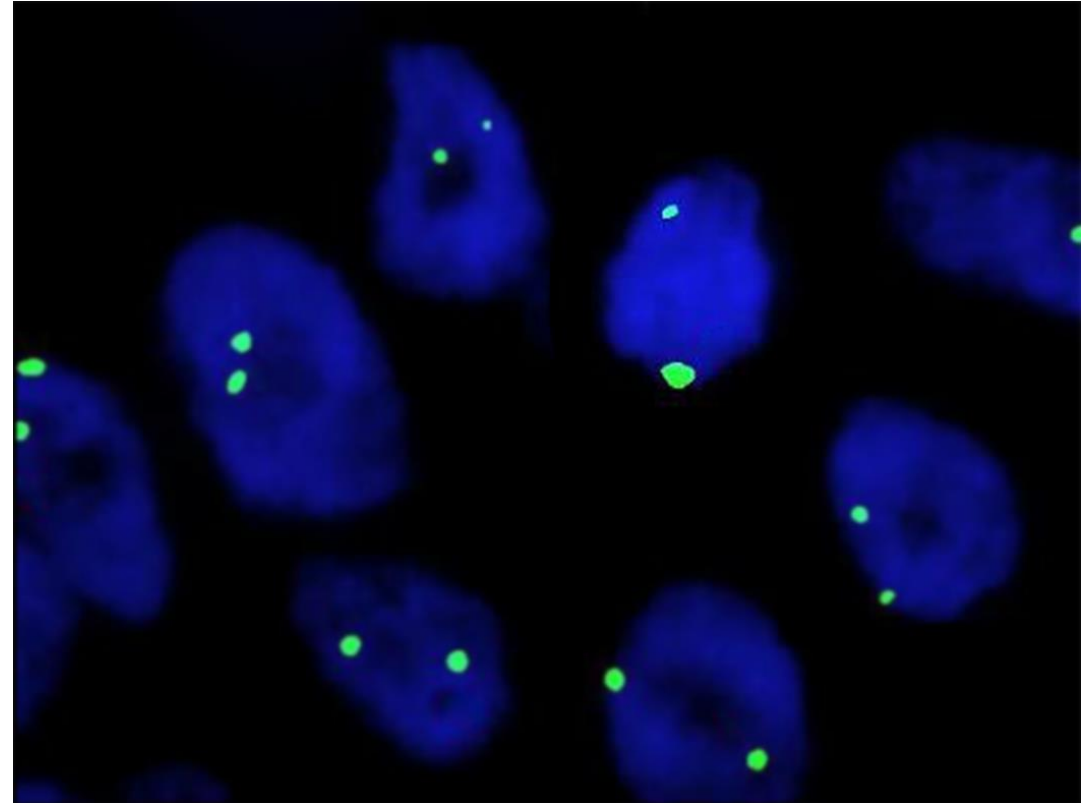
- Keratin cocktail
- Keratin 7
- WT-1
- Calretinin
- Keratin 5/6
- D2-40
- Thrombomodulin
- Mesothelin
- GATA-3



- PAX-8
- Claudin 4
- Ber-EP4
- MOC-31
- B72.3
- ER/PR



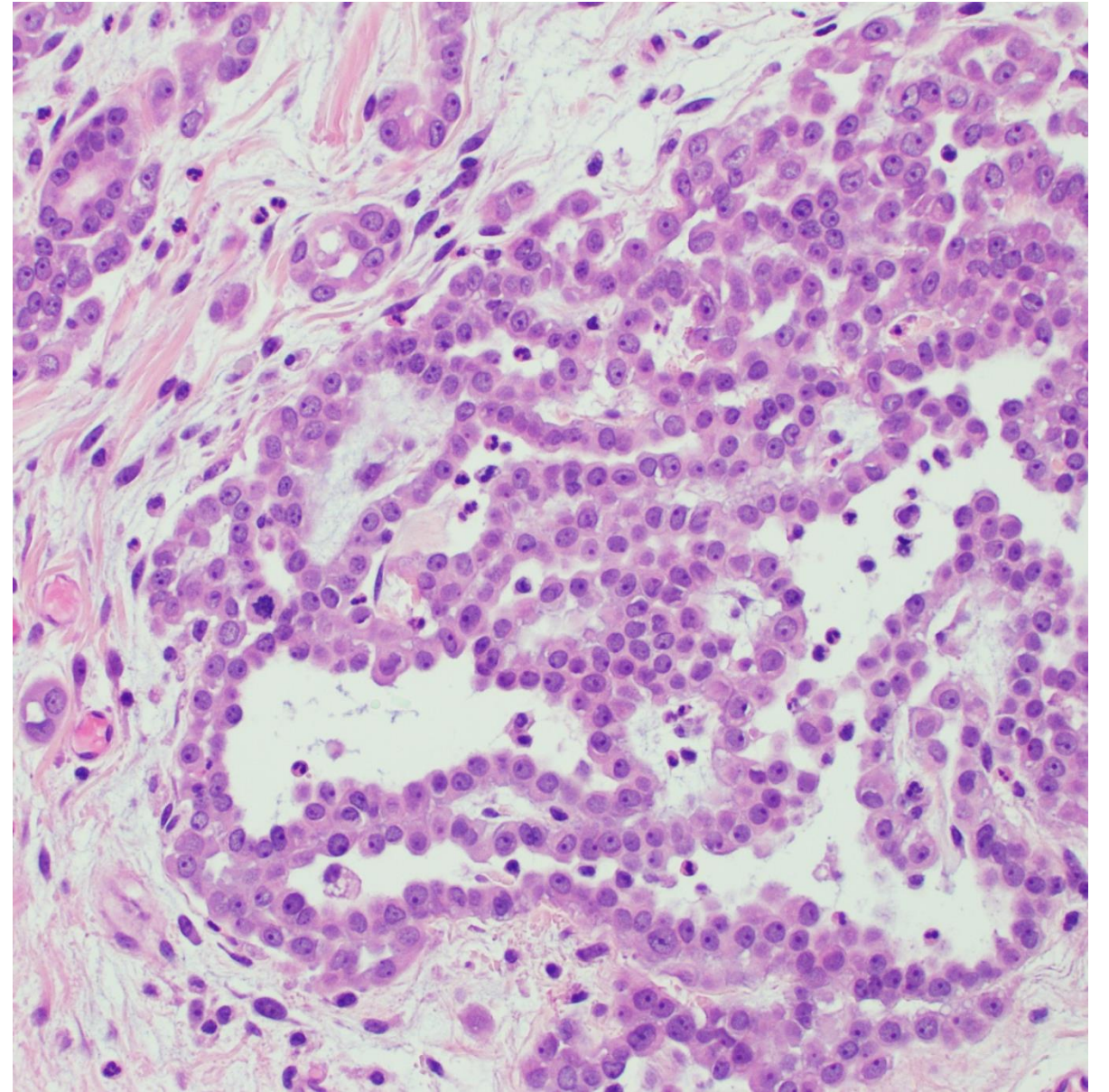
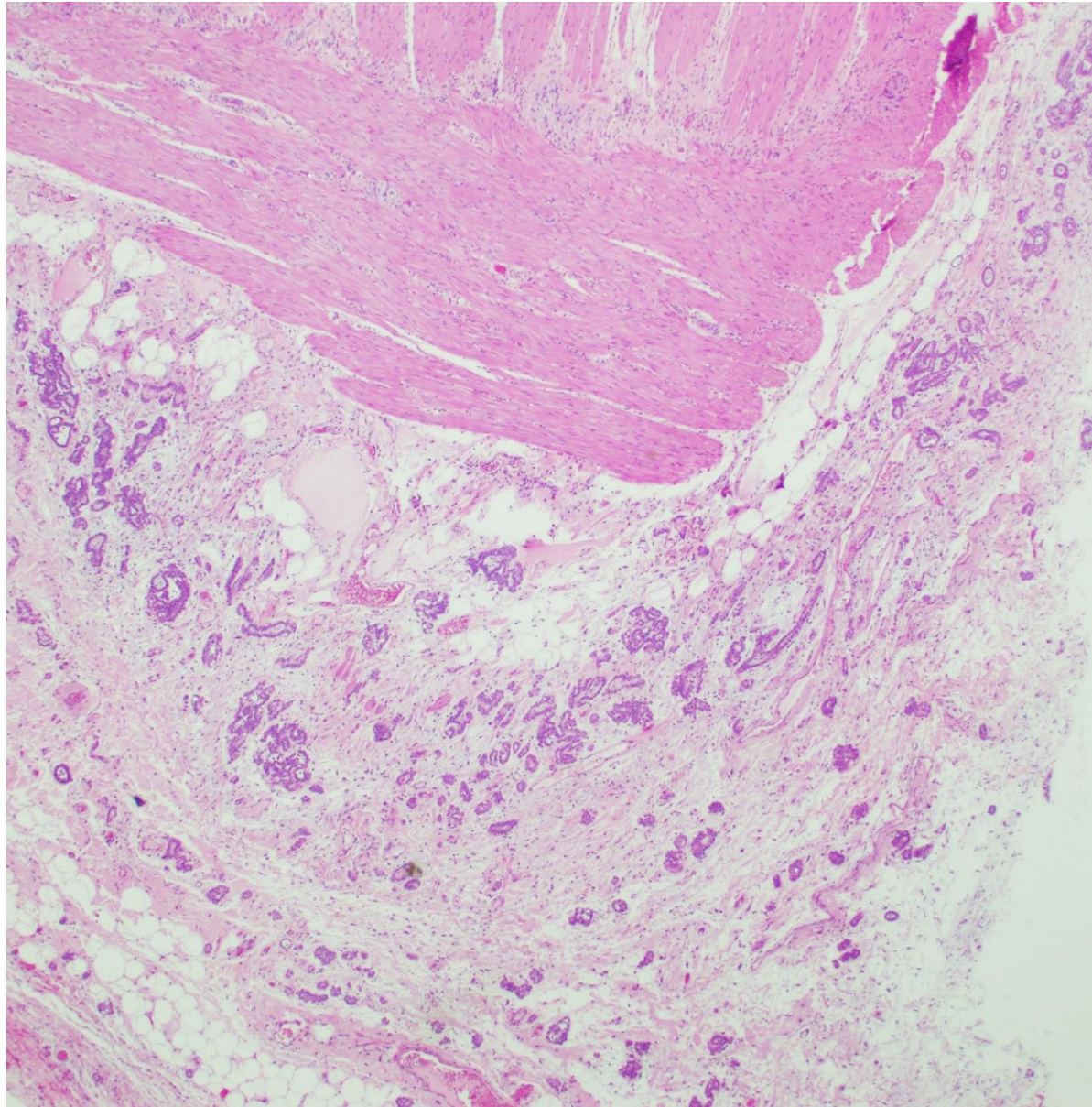
IHC: BAP1 loss
40 to 60% of cases



FISH: Homozygous deletion *CDKN2A* (p16)
30-50% of cases
This finding can be seen in other tumors
Mesothelial lineage has to be confirmed first

Molecular Features

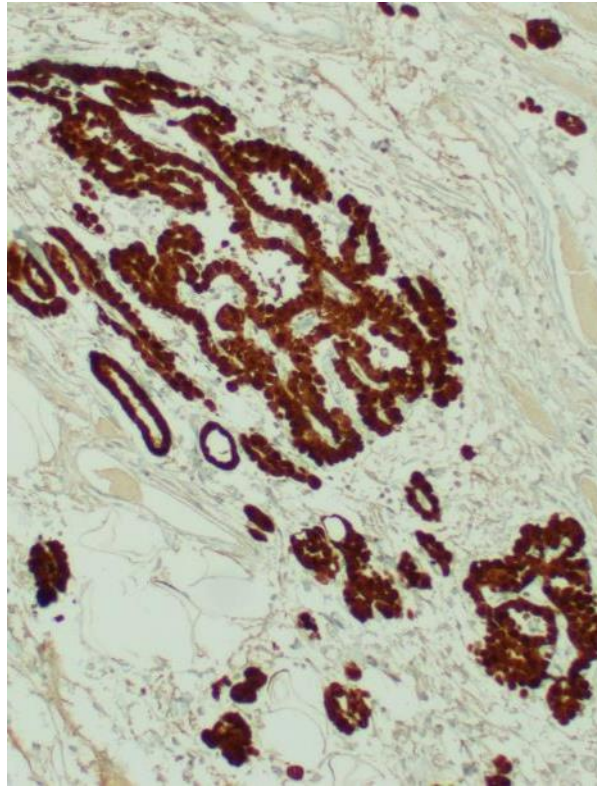
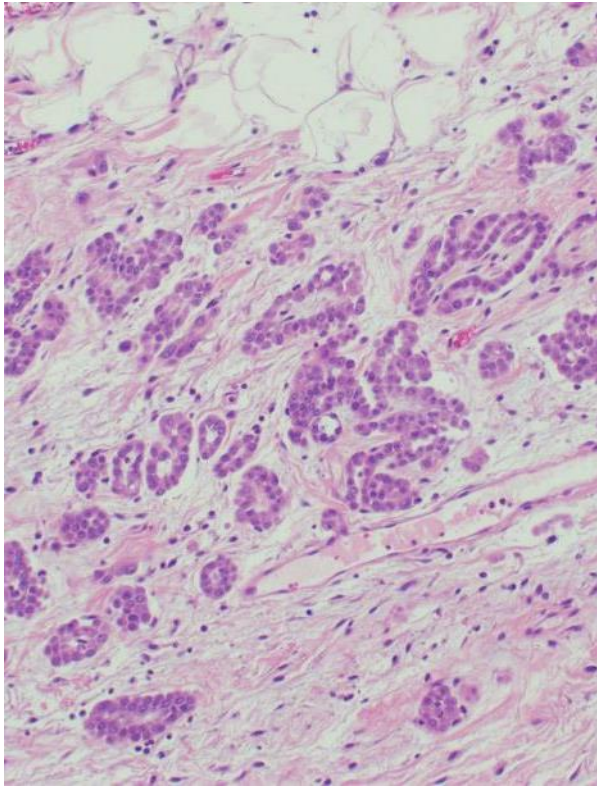
- Alterations in:
 - *BAP1, SETD2, NF2, CDKN2A/B, LASTS1/2, PBRM1, TP53, PTEN, DDX3X, TRAF7, VHL, and SMARCC1*
- In children and young adults
 - *ALK* rearrangements
 - *EWSR1/FUS-ATF1* gene fusions



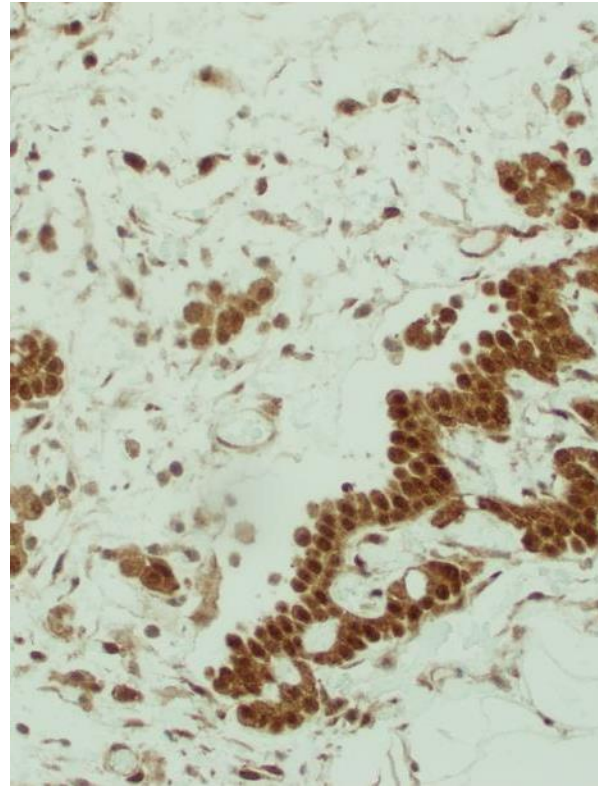
Mesothelioma coating the bowel, no discrete mass

Mesothelioma

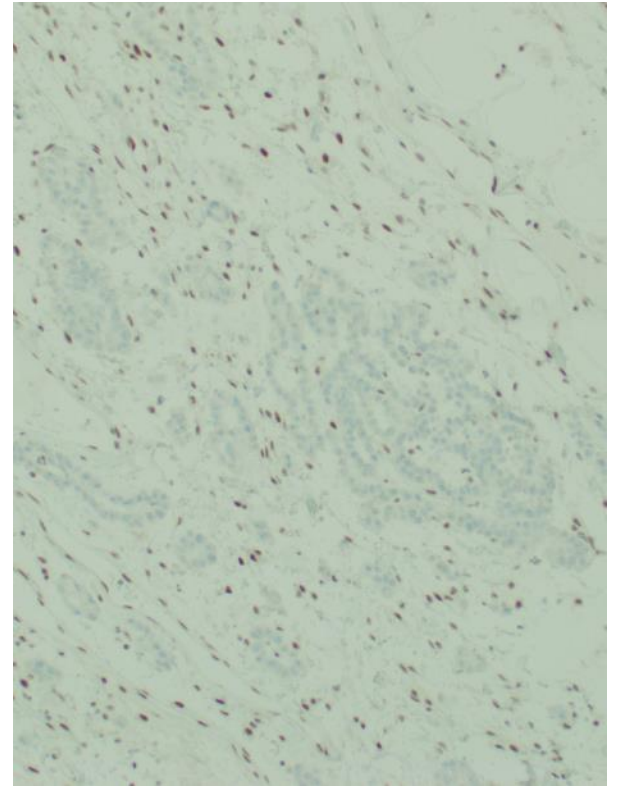
NGS, no molecular alteration



Calretinin



MTAP



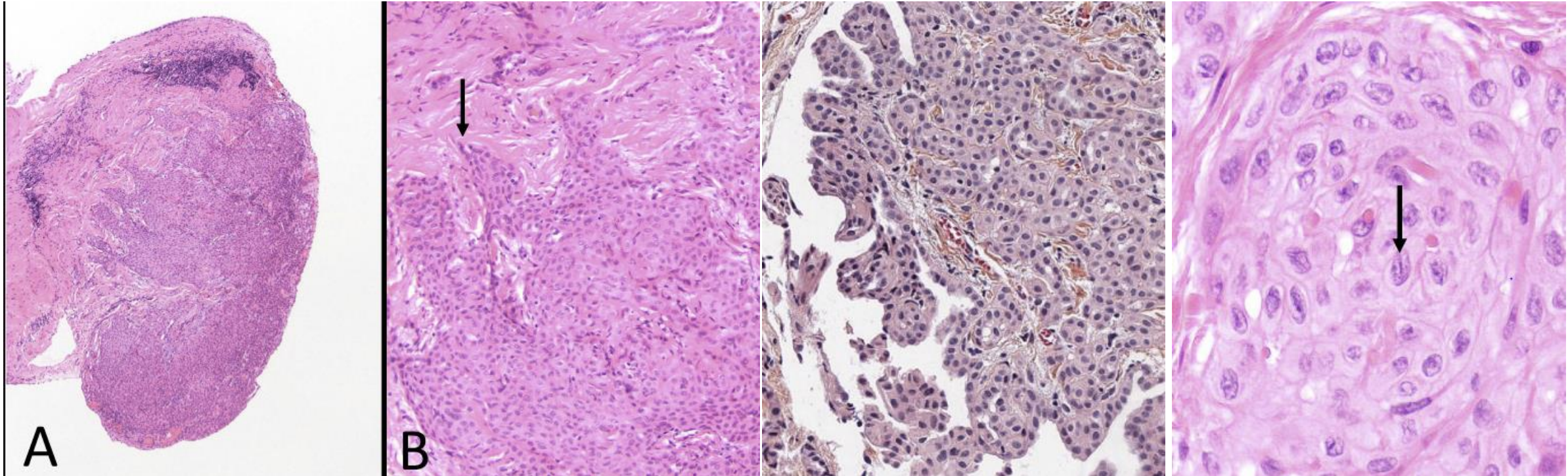
BAP-1 loss

Treatment

- Cytoreductive surgery
- HIPEC
 - Adjuvant systemic chemotherapy may be added

Solid and papillary mesothelial tumor

Churg A, et al. 2021

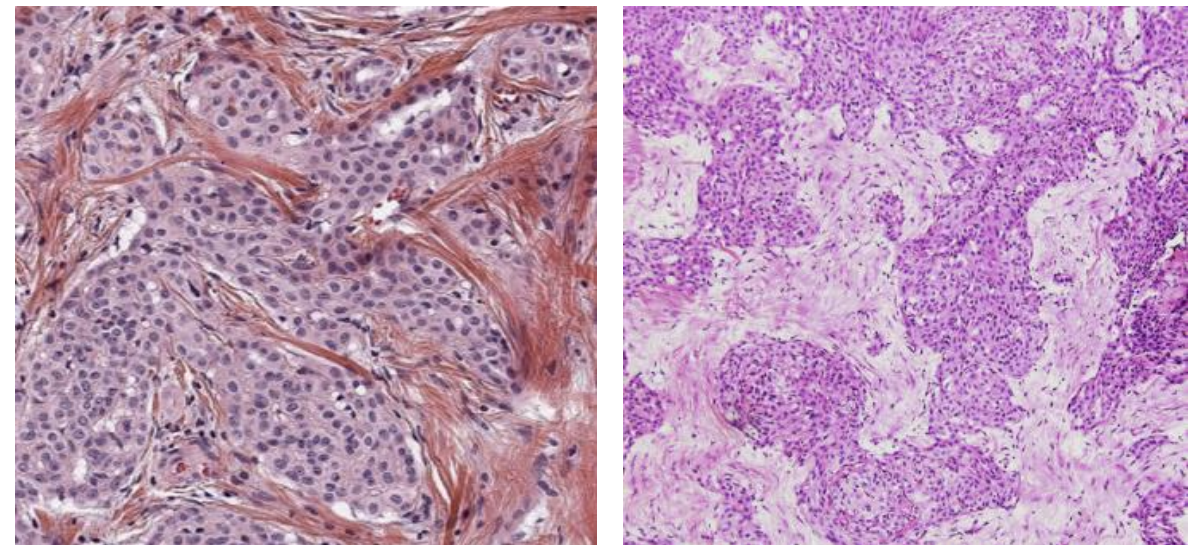


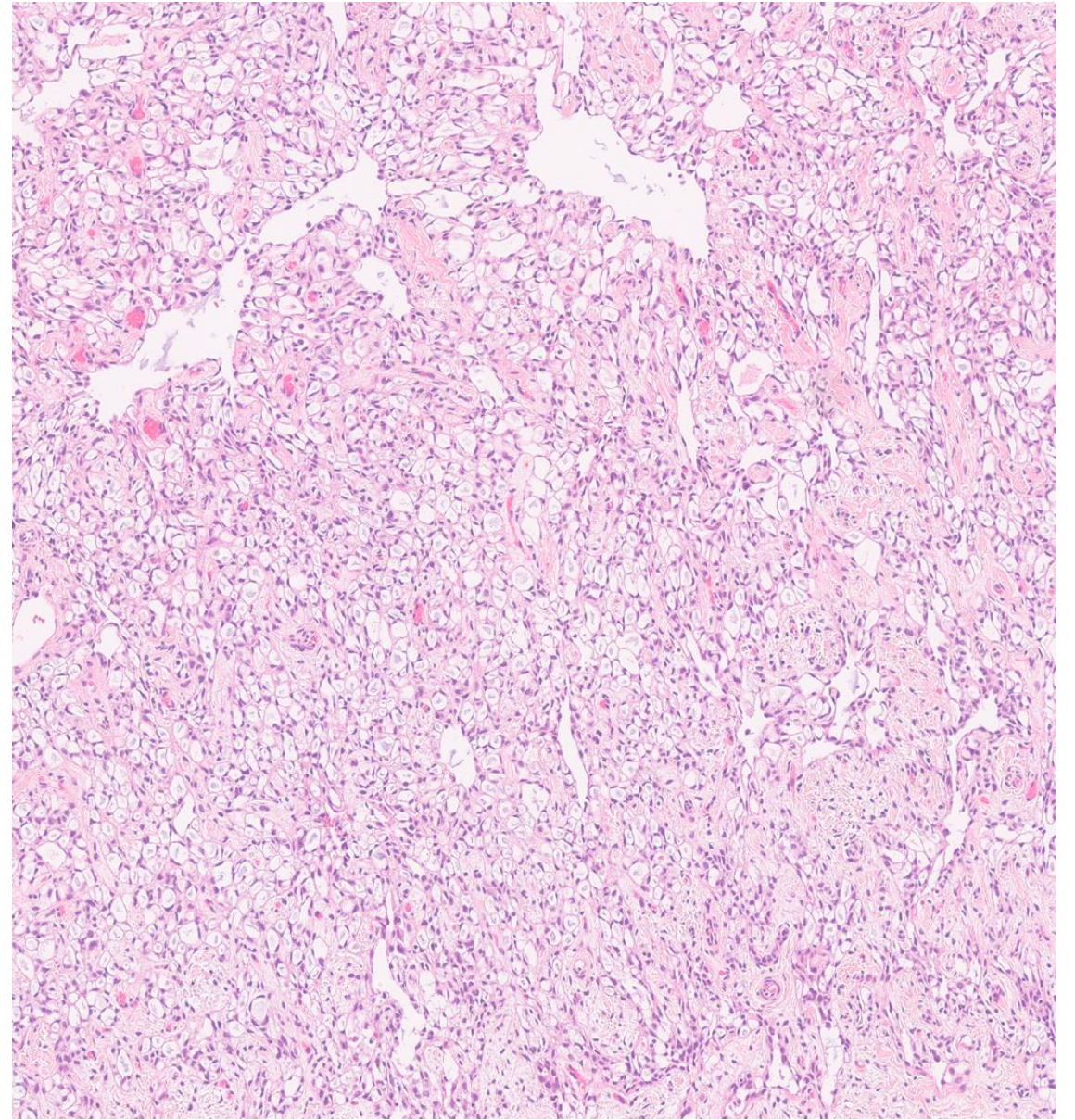
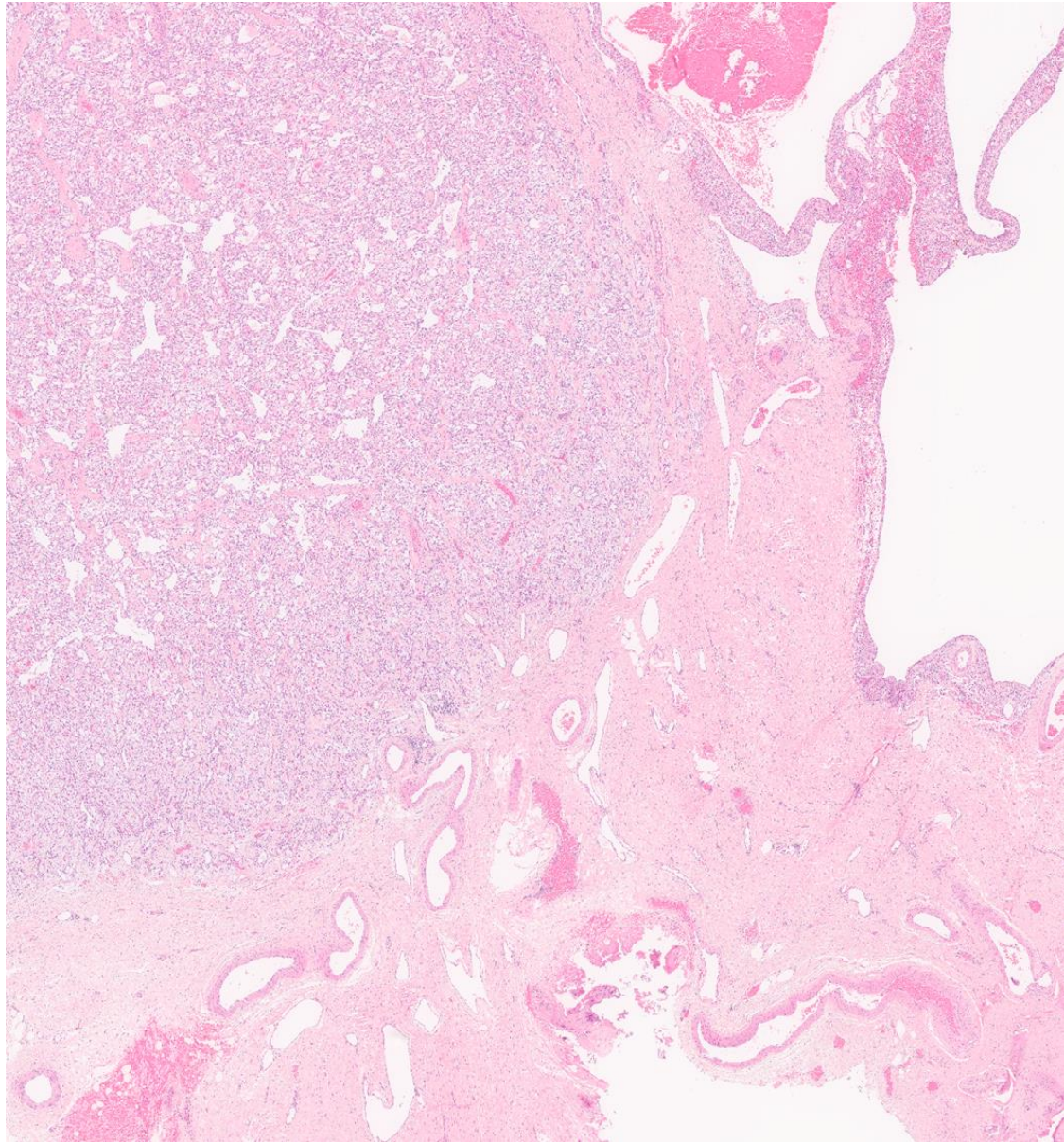
Retained BAP-1

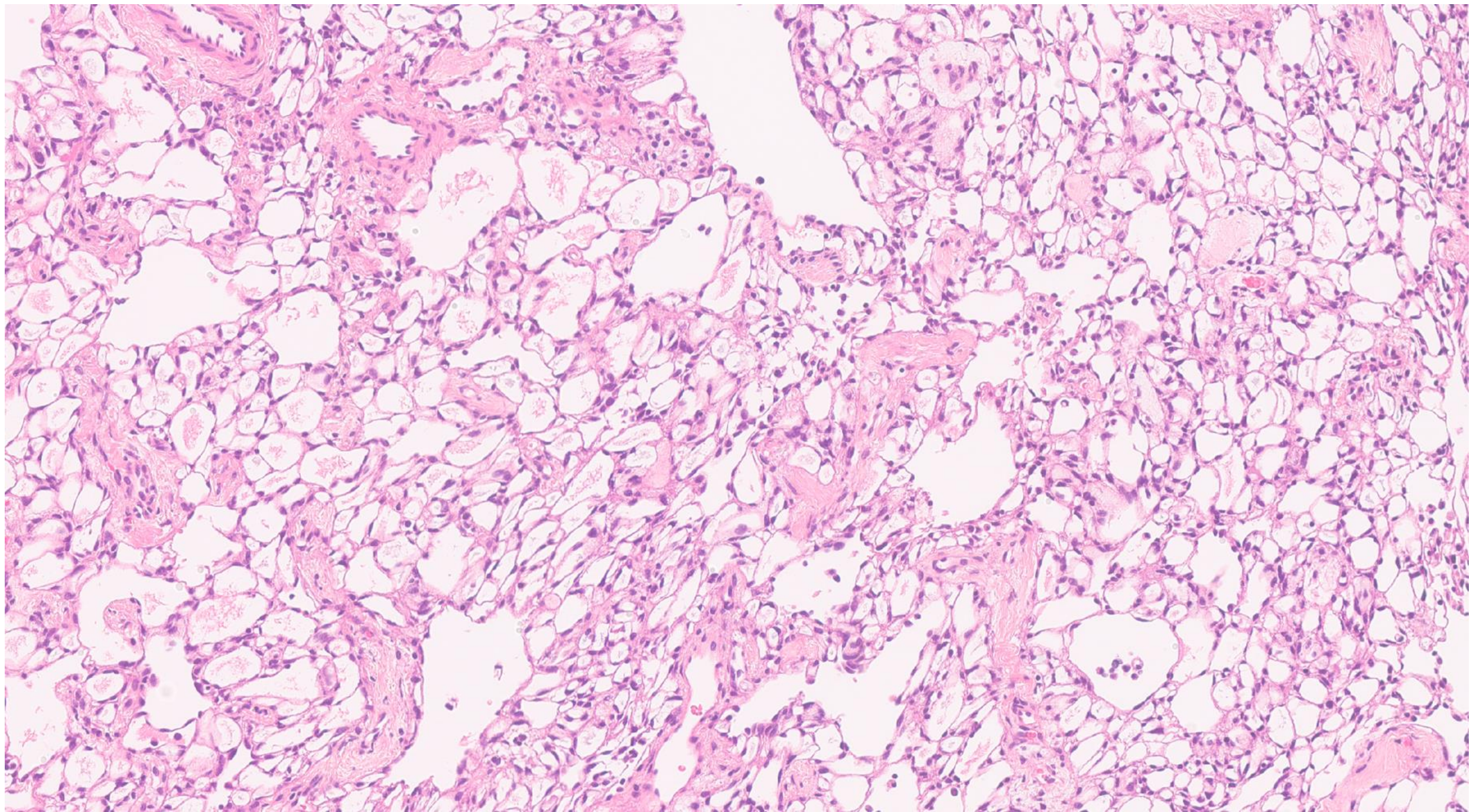
No *CDKN2A* homozygous deletion

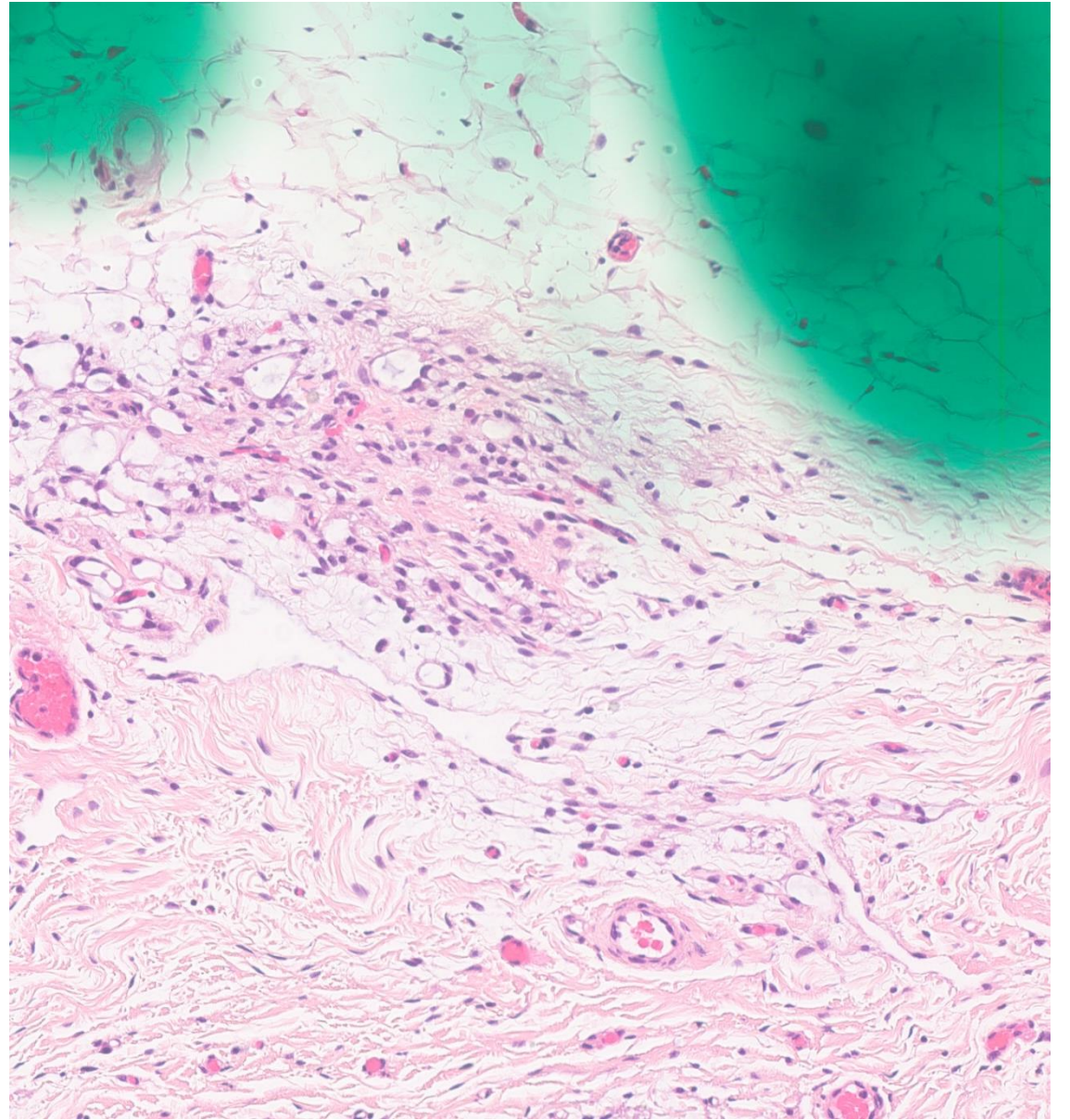
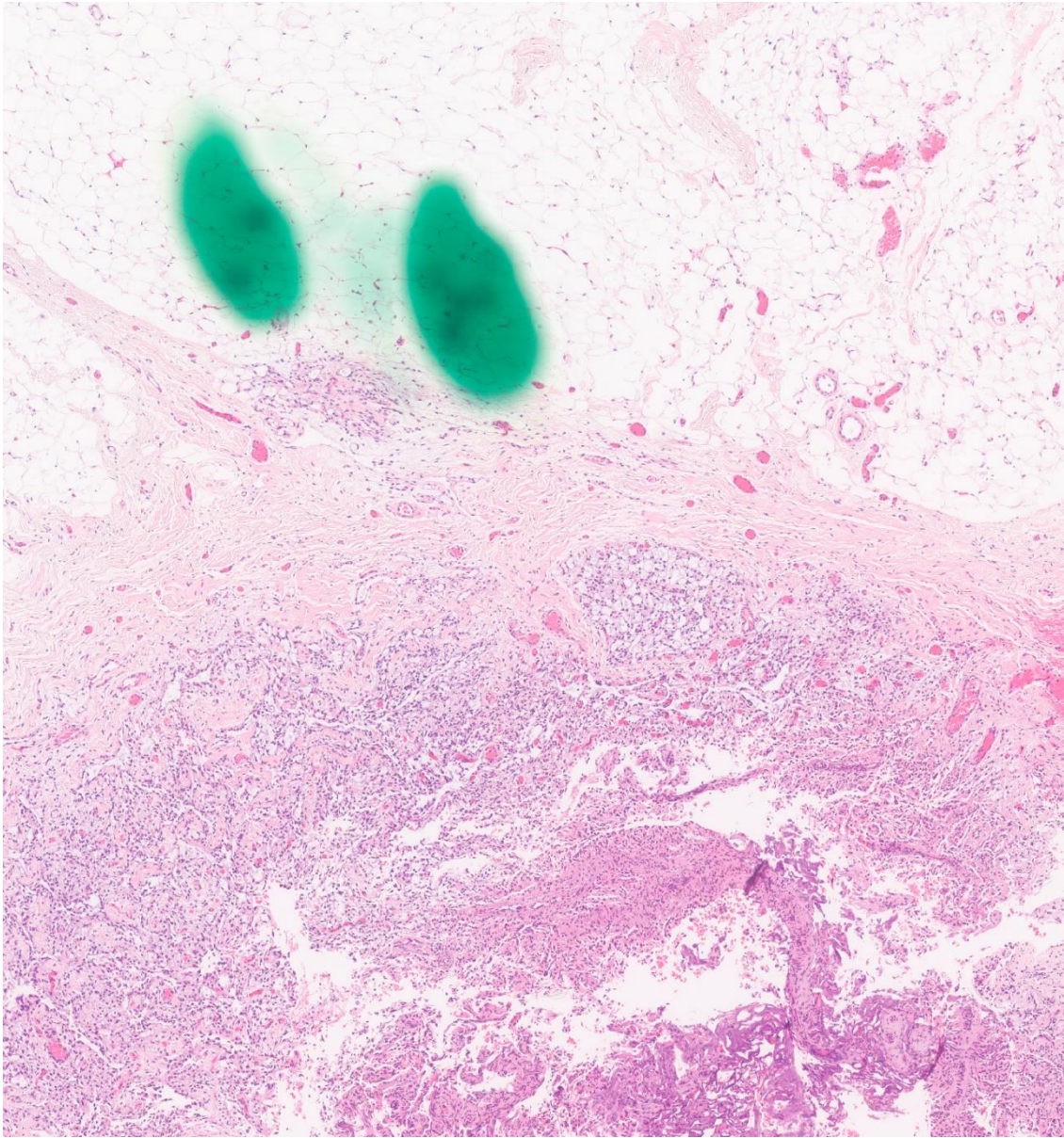
Potential pathogenic variants:

TSC2, *MAP3K8*, *CTNNA1*, and *ATM*

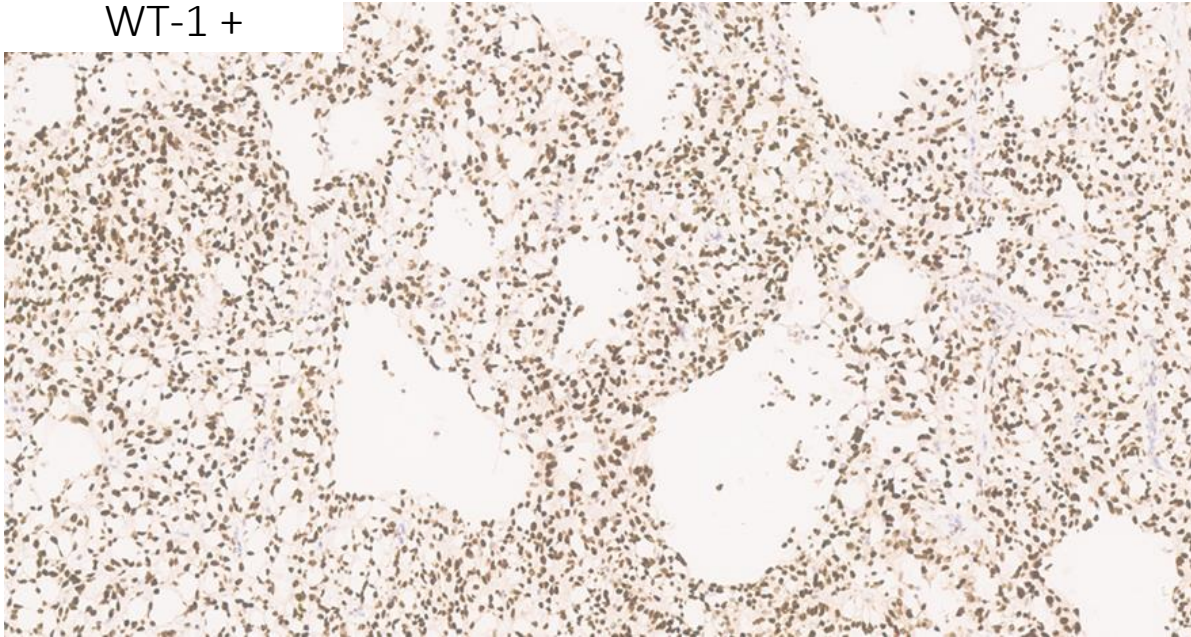




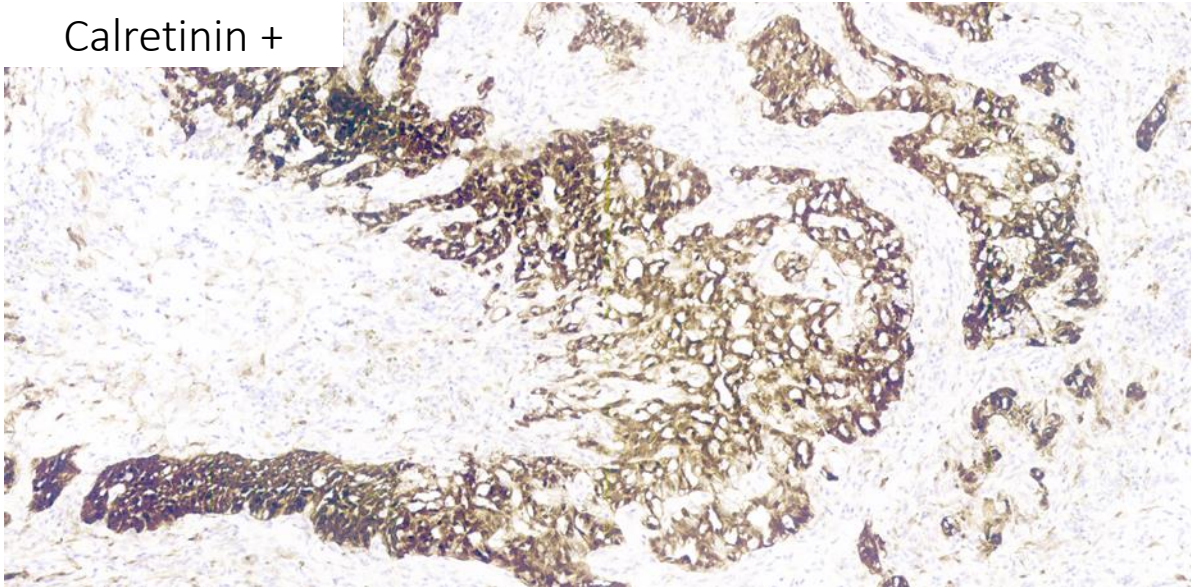




WT-1 +

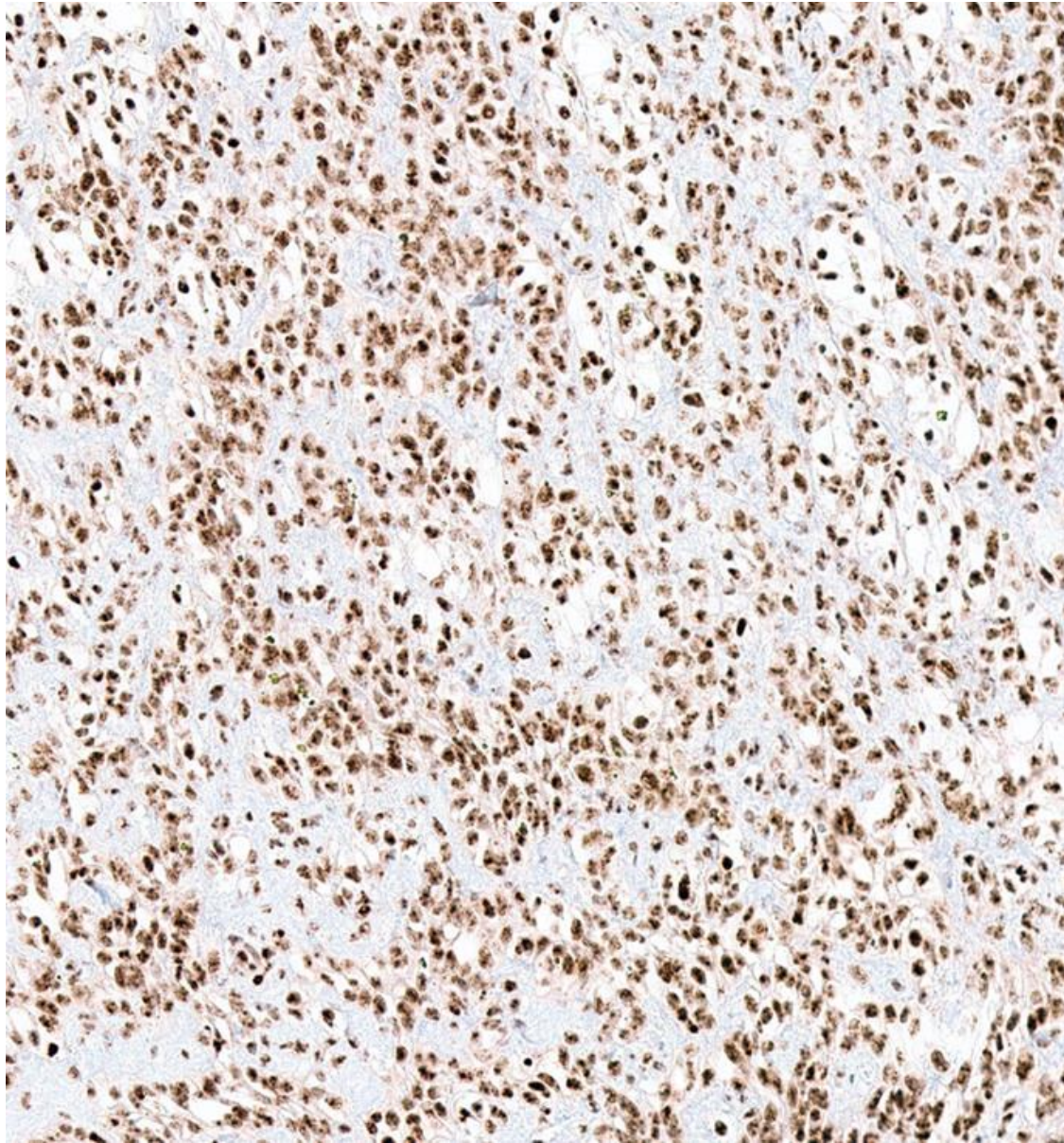


Calretinin +

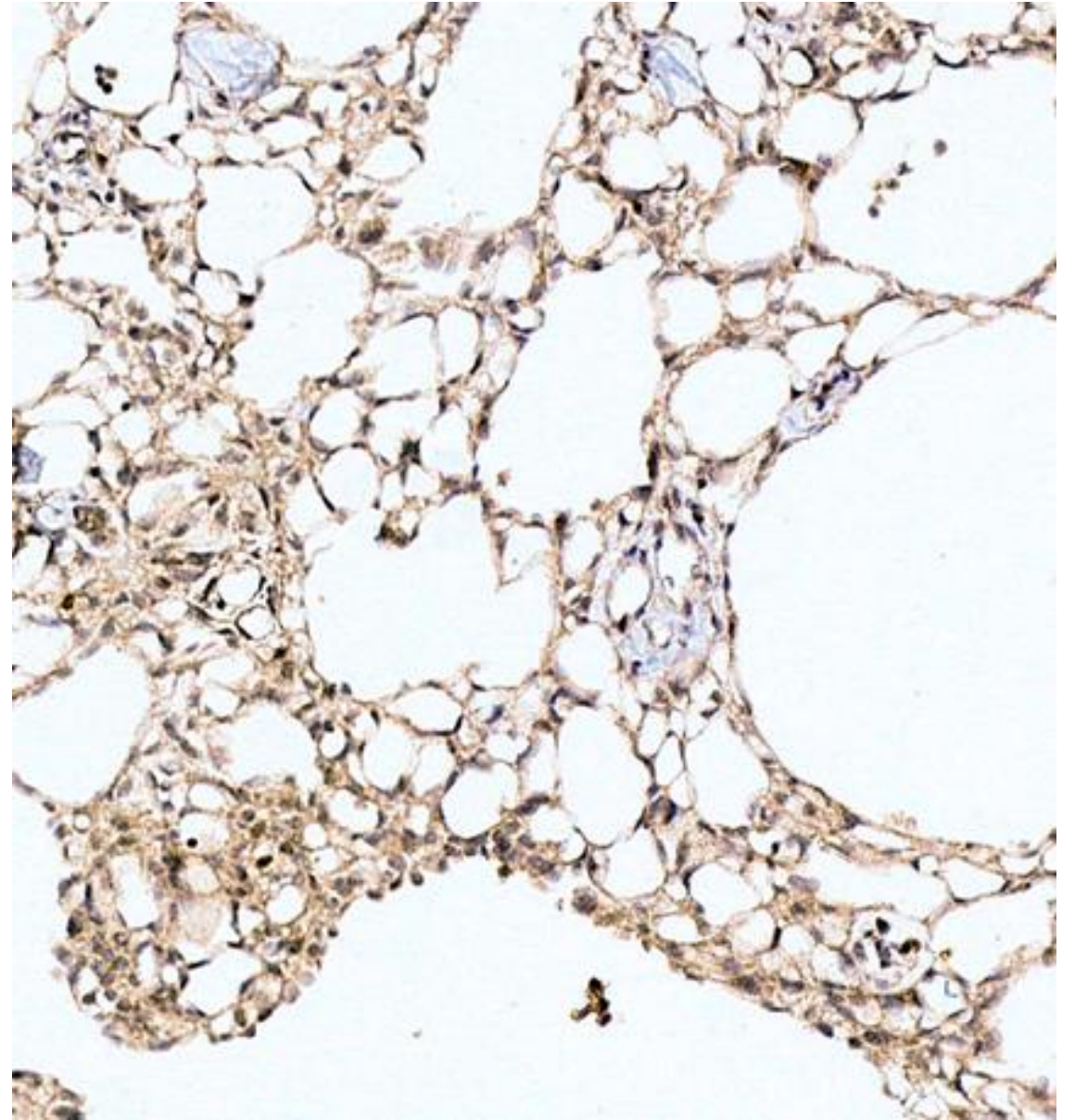


D2-40 and CK 5/6, -





BAP-1, retained



MTAP +

NR4A3 Rearranged Mesothelioma

NR4A3 fusions in mesothelial neoplasms were initially described by Abbas Agaimy in 2022

- Cohort size: 7 pts (4 males, 3 females)
- Age range: 31-70 yrs (median, 40 yrs)
- Multiple or single lesions
- Size: 1.5 to 8 cm
- Well-circumscribed
- No cytologic atypia, mitosis or necrosis
- IHC: WT-1 +,
 - Limited expression of D2-40 and calretinin
 - BAP-1 intact

- Molecular Findings
 - 4 cases with NR4A3 fusions
 - Partners (*EWSR1*, *NIPBL*, *CITED2*)
 - 2 cases with no fusions
- Tx
 - Surgery alone (3) pts
 - 1 lesion or limited number of lesions (3)
 - Surgery and chemo (1)
 - Surgery and hyperthermic chemo (2)
 - Neoadjuvant chemo (1)
 - Adjuvant chemo (1)
- Follow-up
 - 5 pts, NED (6 mos to 14 mos)
 - 1 pt with suspicion of recurrence at 7 mos (no fusion detected)

Agaimy had proposed the name mesothelial neoplasm of uncertain malignant potential for these cases



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NR4A3 rearranged mesothelial tumour with evidence of infiltration after a 2-year follow up period: best regarded as *NR4A3* rearranged low grade mesothelioma

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Infiltration in the ovary at presentation
NED at 2 yrs
Tx: TRS and HIPEC



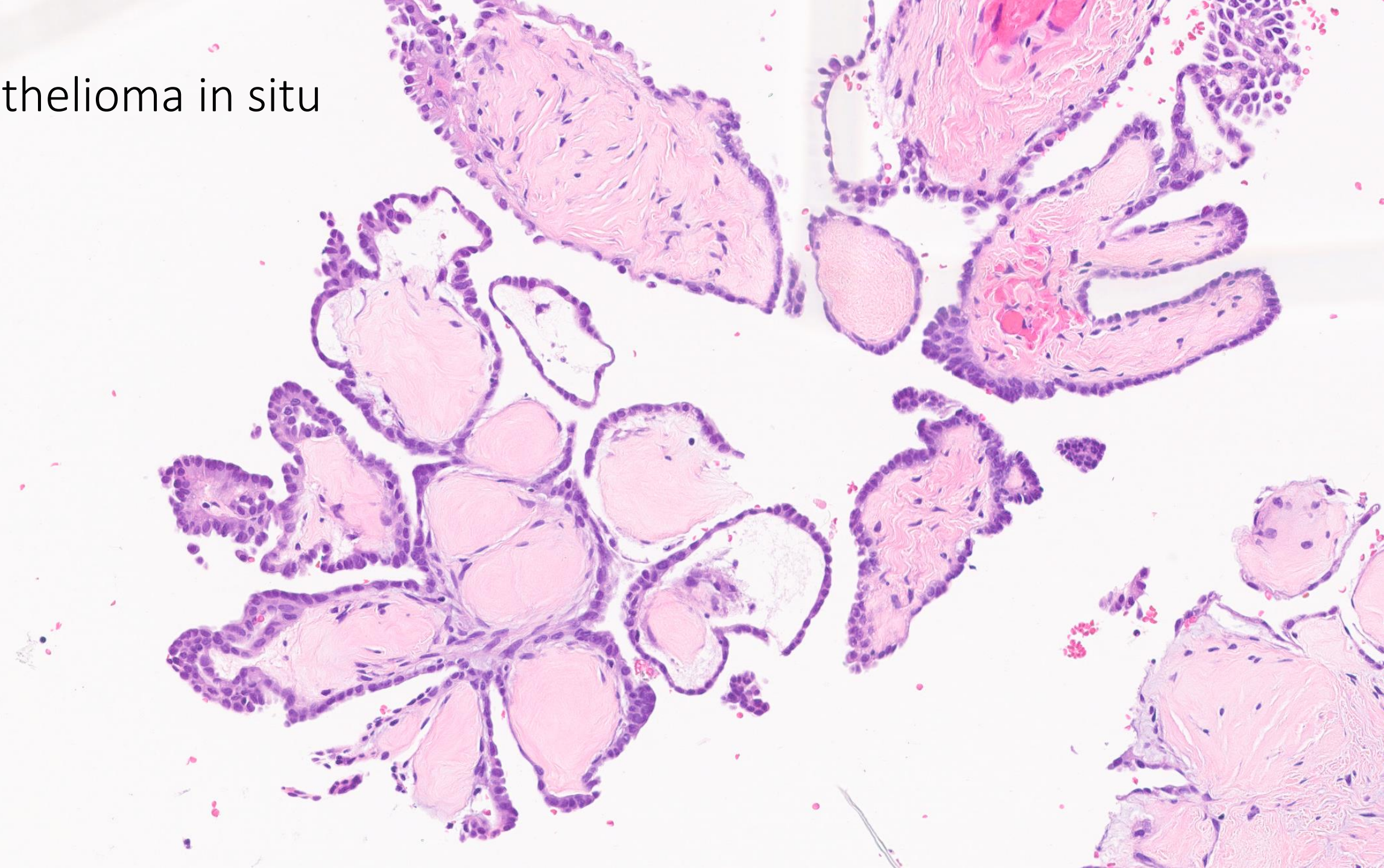
ORIGINAL RESEARCH

Update on gene fusions and the emerging clinicopathological landscape of peritoneal and pleural mesotheliomas and other neoplasms

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4 cases (3 males, 1 female, mean age: 63.8 yrs)
Tx: Surgery (4), plus HIPEC (2, 1 also chemo due to high PCI)
F/U (14-140 mos), no death or recurrence

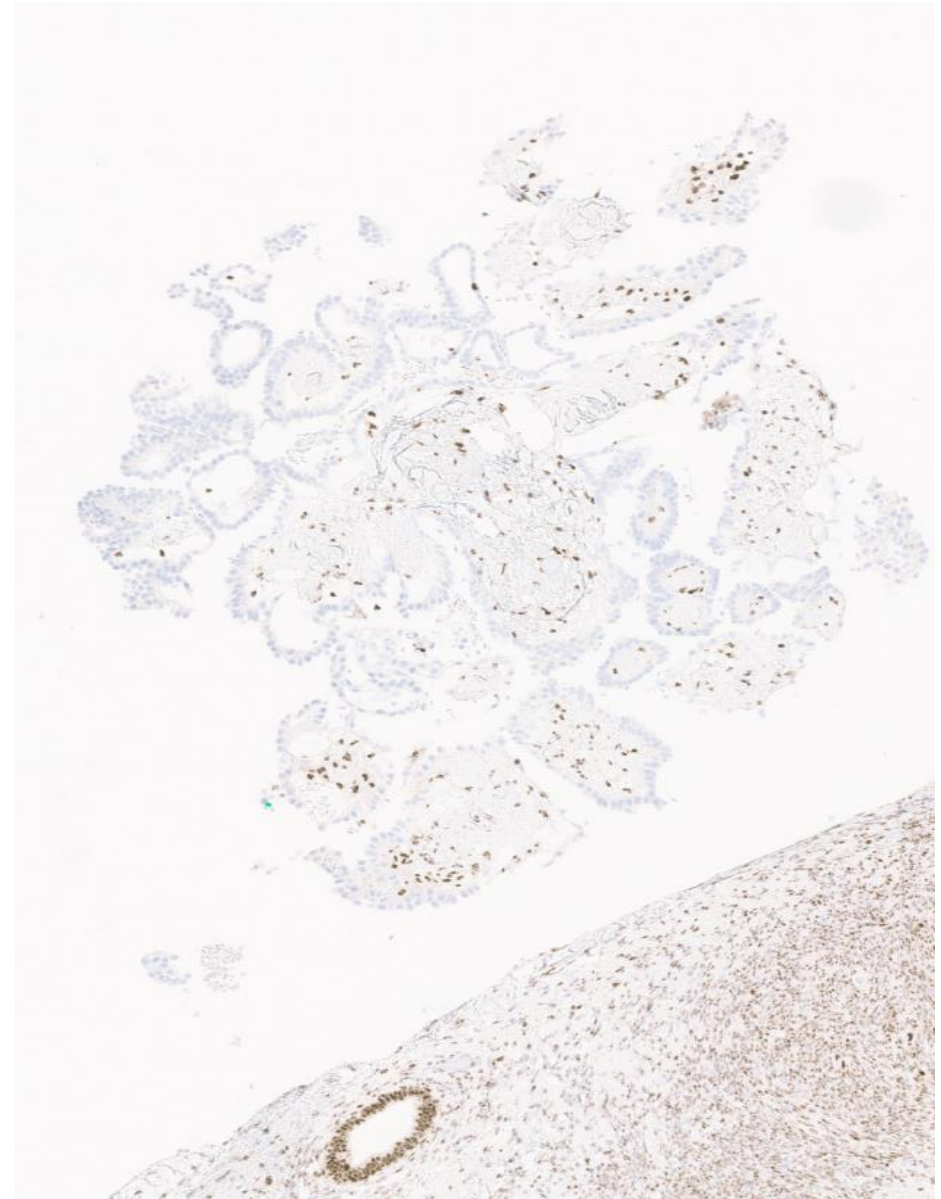
Mesothelioma in situ



Mesothelioma in situ



Calretinin +



BAP-1 loss

Table 5. Summary of the Salient Molecular and Immunohistochemical Features in the Diagnosis of Mesothelioma and Other Mesothelial Lesions	
Mesothelial Lesion	Salient Molecular/Immunohistochemical Features
Diffuse mesothelioma: common alterations	<i>BAP1</i> Altered in ~40%–60% of cases Enriched in epithelioid type, rare in sarcomatoid type <i>CDKN2A</i> Homozygous loss in ~30%–50% of cases Rare in epithelioid type, enriched in sarcomatoid type <i>MTAP</i> Altered in ~30%–40% of cases <i>NF2</i> Altered in ~20%–30% of cases
Diffuse mesothelioma: rare alterations	
Genomic near-haploidization	Detected by karyotype, SNP array, and/or NGS Uncommon (~3%)
<i>ALK</i> rearrangement	Detected by IHC, FISH, and/or NGS (orthogonal methods recommended) Rare (<1%) Considered in young patients and/or those without asbestos exposure
<i>ATF1</i> rearrangement	Detected by FISH and/or NGS Rare (<1%) Considered in young patients and/or those without asbestos exposure
<i>EWSR1::YY1</i> fusion	Detected by FISH and/or NGS Rare (<1%)
Germline mutations	Detected by NGS Uncommon (~12% of patients) Germline variants reported: <i>BAP1</i> , <i>BRCA2</i> , <i>CHEK2</i> , <i>CDKN2A</i> , <i>ATM</i> , <i>ATR</i> , <i>RECQL4</i> , <i>BRCA1</i> , <i>TP53</i> , <i>PTEN</i> , <i>NF2</i> , <i>MLH1</i> , and <i>MSH6</i> , among others Enriched in young patients, those with peritoneal (versus pleural) mesothelioma, concomitant second cancer, without asbestos exposure
Mesothelioma in situ	Aberrant <i>BAP1</i> IHC, <i>CDKN2A</i> FISH, and/or <i>MTAP</i> IHC
Adenomatoid tumor	Recurrent <i>TRAF7</i> mutations
Well-differentiated papillary mesothelial tumor	Intact <i>BAP1</i> IHC, normal <i>CDKN2A</i> FISH
Peritoneal inclusion cyst	Rare gene fusions
Solid papillary mesothelial tumor	Intact <i>BAP1</i> IHC, normal <i>CDKN2A</i> FISH
NR4A3-rearranged peritoneal mesothelial tumor	Identified by FISH and/or NGS

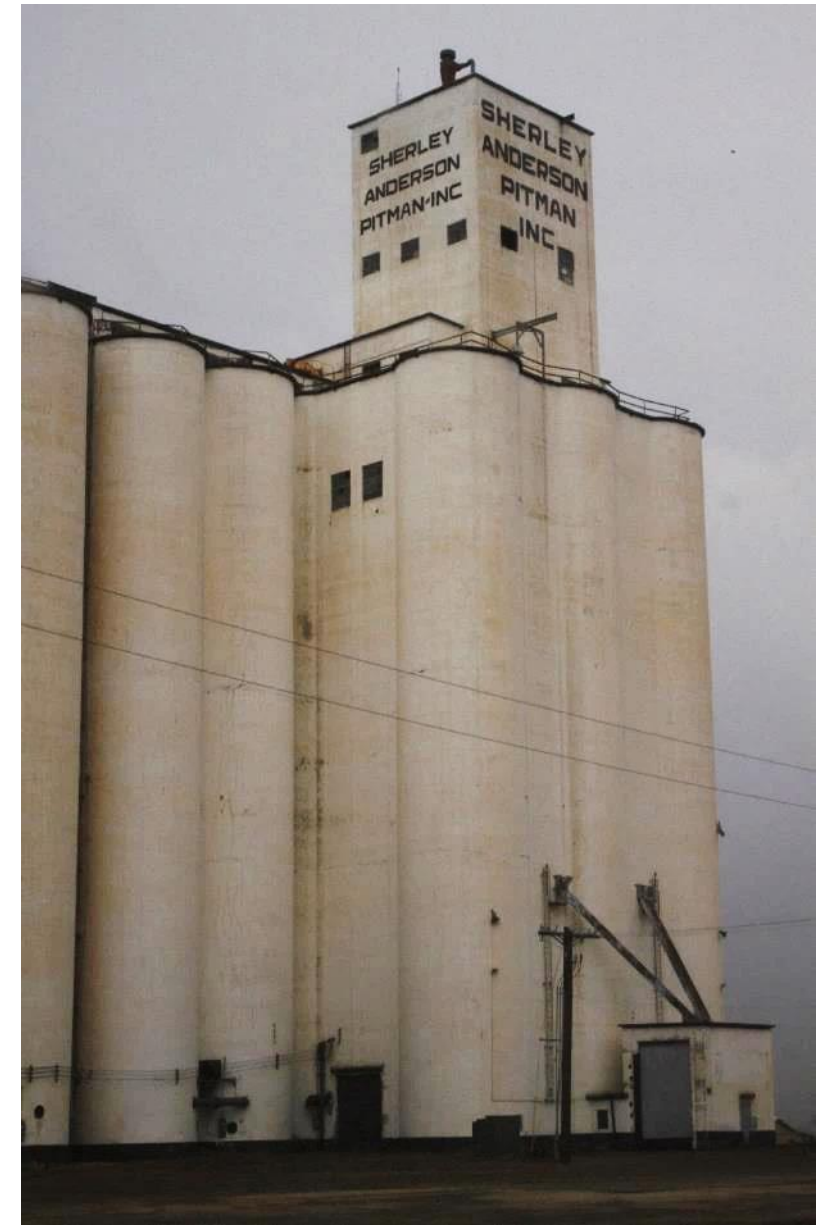
Abbreviations: FISH, fluorescence in situ hybridization; IHC, immunohistochemistry; NGS, next-generation sequencing; SNP, single-nucleotide polymorphism.



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