

Odontogenic Cysts and Tumors
What is New in the 5th Edition of the W.H.O. Classification
and New Information on Some (Newer/Well-Established)
Entities

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A long list of cysts

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- 7.1.0.1: Radicular cyst
- 7.1.0.2: Inflammatory collateral cysts
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- 7.1.0.3: Dentigerous cyst
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- 7.1.0.8: Calcifying odontogenic cyst
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Giant cell lesions and bone cysts

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- 7.7.0.2: Peripheral giant cell granuloma
- 7.7.0.3: Cherubism
- 7.7.0.4: Aneurysmal bone cyst
- 7.7.0.5: Simple bone cyst

A long list of cysts

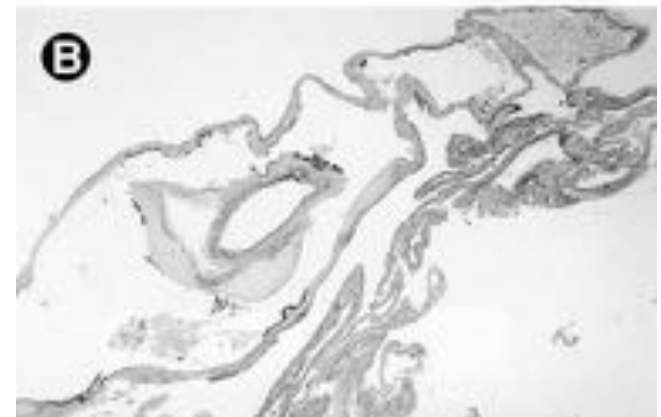
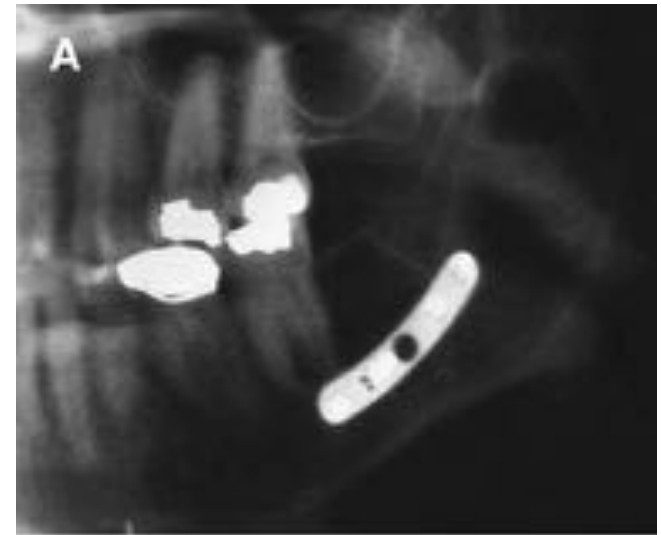
Table 1 WHO Classification of Odontogenic and maxillofacial bone tumours, 2022 versus 2017. Main headings are arranged in the order of the 2022 classification; within sub-headings, lesions are presented in the original order of each classification

2022 Classification	2017 Classification*	
Cysts of the jaws	Odontogenic cysts of inflammatory origin	Odontogenic & non-odontogenic developmental cysts
Radicular cyst	Radicular cyst	Dentigerous cyst
Inflammatory collateral cysts	Inflammatory collateral cysts	Odontogenic keratocyst
Post-surgical ciliated cyst		Lat. periodontal cyst and botryoid cyst
Nasopalatine duct cyst		Gingival cyst
Gingival cyst		Glandular odontogenic cyst
Dentigerous cyst		Calcifying odontogenic cyst
Orthokeratinized odontogenic cyst		Orthokeratinized odontogenic cyst
Lat. periodontal cyst and botryoid cyst		Nasopalatine duct cyst
Calcifying odontogenic cyst		
Glandular odontogenic cyst		
Odontogenic keratocyst		

Postsurgical ciliated cyst

- Maxilla and rare cases in the mandible after reconstructive or orthognathic surgeries.
- Mandible can look like sinus even with presence of eosinophils !

Koutlas et al. J Oral Maxillofac Surg
2002;60:324



Aneurysmal bone cyst

- Aneurysmal bone cyst (ABC) is a cystic or multicystic, expansile, osteolytic **neoplasm** composed of blood-filled sinusoidal spaces lined by fibrous septa that contain osteoclast-type giant cells.
- The terms primary and secondary not used anymore
- *USP6::CDH11* fusion in 70% of cases
 - Other partners for *USP6* exist
- 1.5% of cases arise in the jaws
- Painful enlargement
- Tooth mobility and displacement, root resorption, maxillary tumors may lead to exophthalmos
- Unilocular or multilocular radiolucency

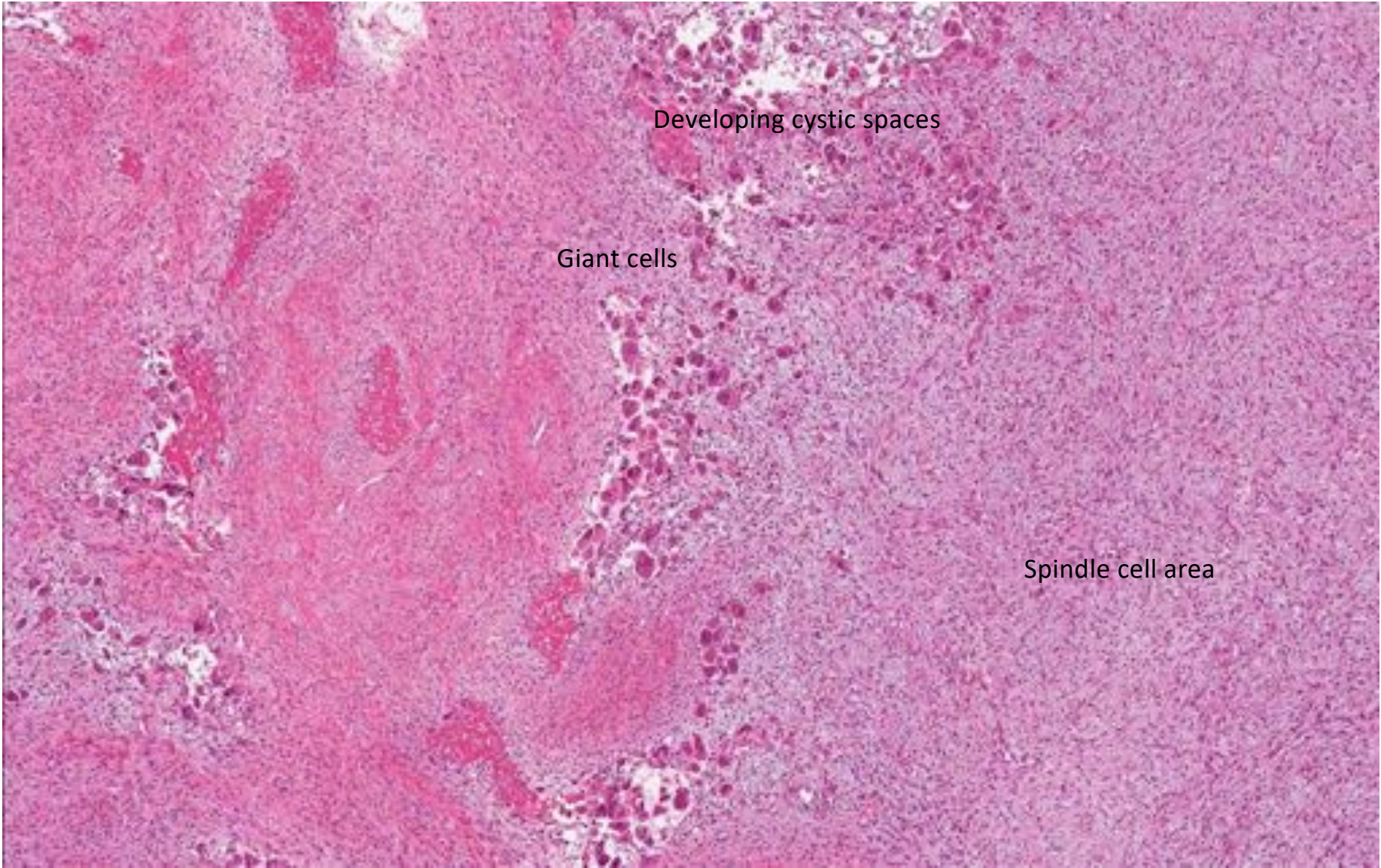


Courtesy Dr. Stich

5 moths after

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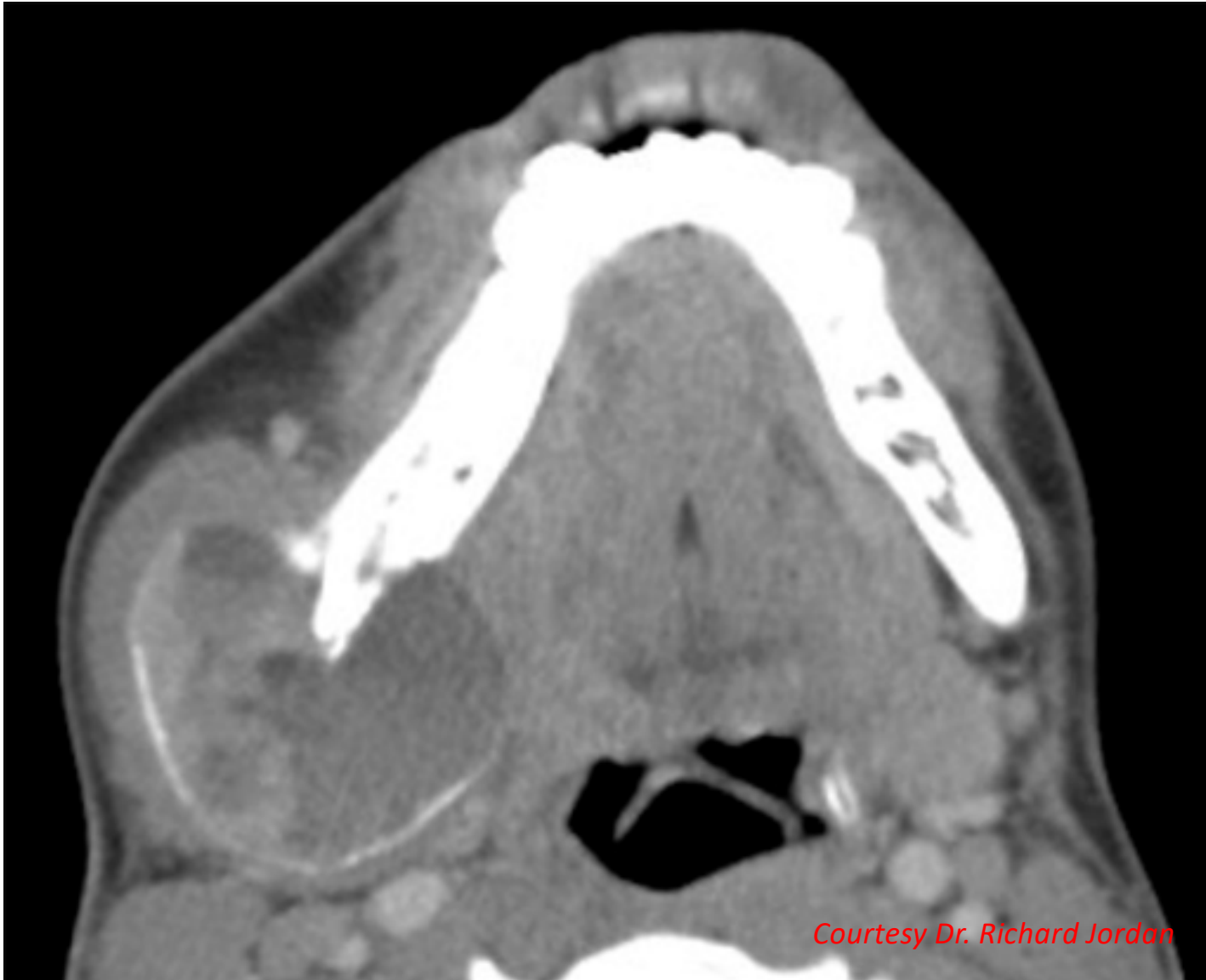




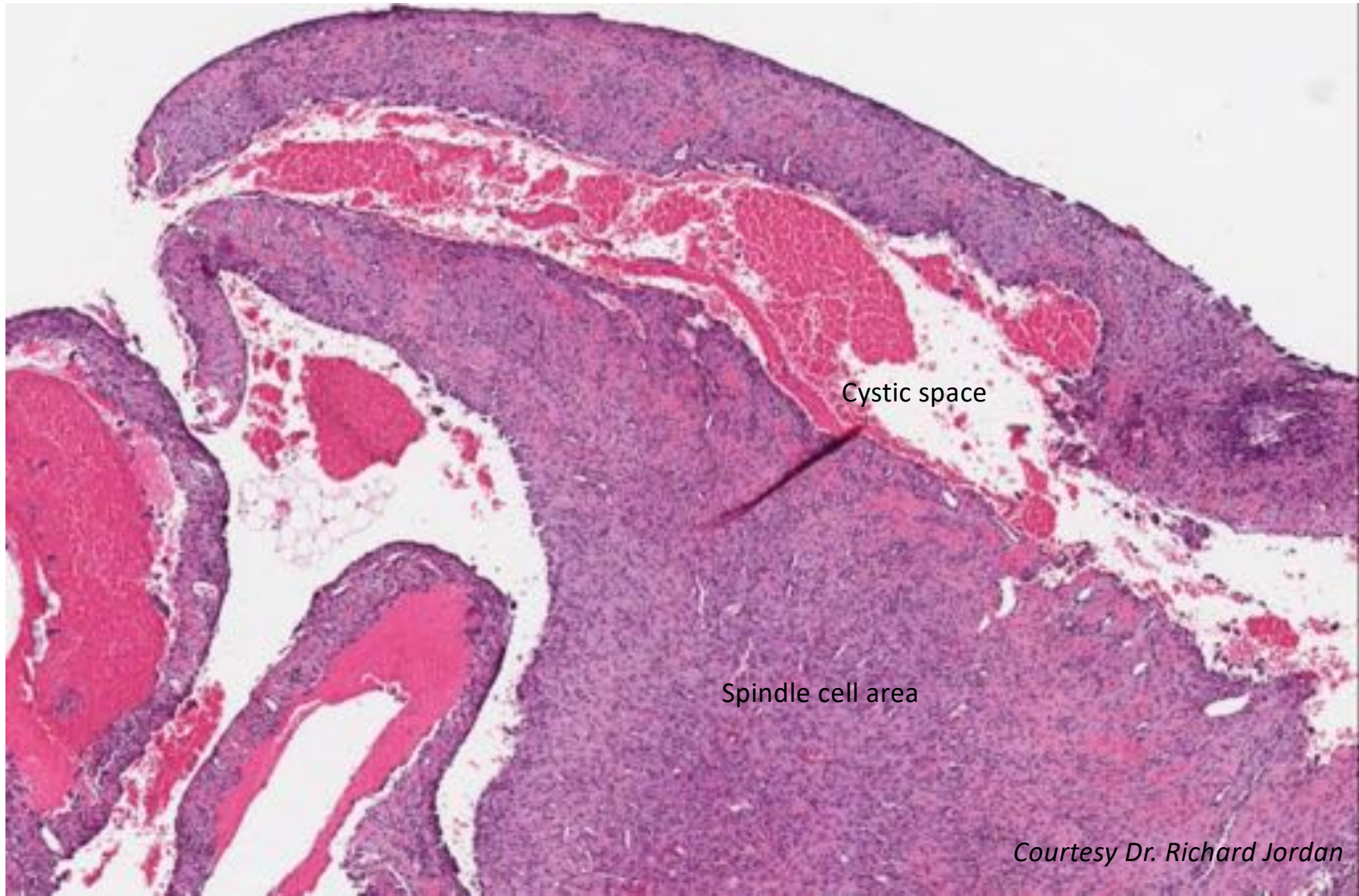
Developing cystic spaces

Giant cells

Spindle cell area



Courtesy Dr. Richard Jordan



Cystic space

Spindle cell area

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Benign epithelial odontogenic tumors (2022)

Adenomatoid odontogenic tumor (I have doubts)

Squamous odontogenic tumour

Calcifying epithelial odontogenic tumour

Ameloblastoma, extraosseous/peripheral

Ameloblastoma, unicystic

Ameloblastoma, conventional

Adenoid ameloblastoma (new)

Metastasizing ameloblastoma !

Benign epithelial odontogenic tumors (2017)

Ameloblastoma

-Ameloblastoma, unicystic type

-Ameloblastoma, extraosseous/peripheral type

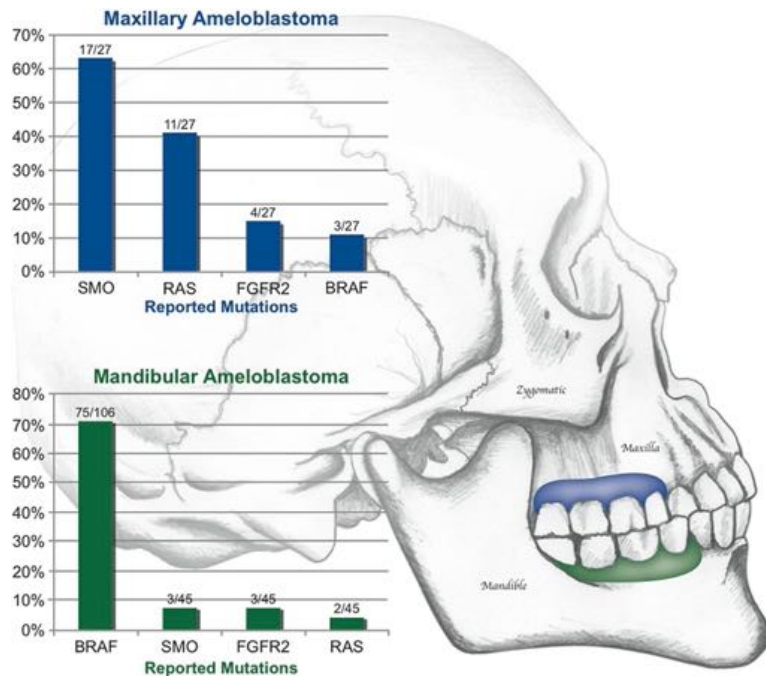
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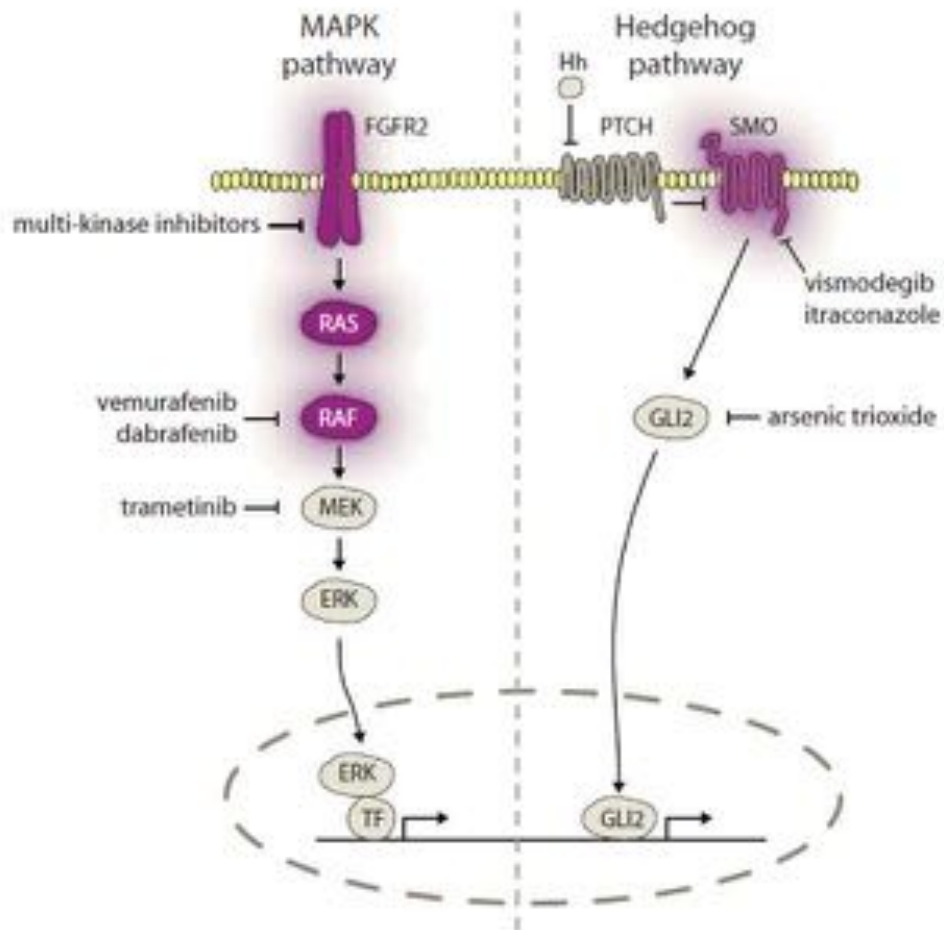
Adenomatoid odontogenic tumour

Molecular advancements and Newer Treatments



- *BRAF*^{V600E} mutations in >70% of mandibular ameloblastomas (*RAS*, *FGFR2*, *SMO*)
- *SMO* mutations in > 50% of maxillary ameloblastomas (*RAS*, *FGFR2*, *BRAF*)
- Inhibitors of BRAF are being used to treat solid ameloblastomas
- Stops proliferation of cells and may shrink the tumors
- Use of BRAF VE1 antibody in some cases.

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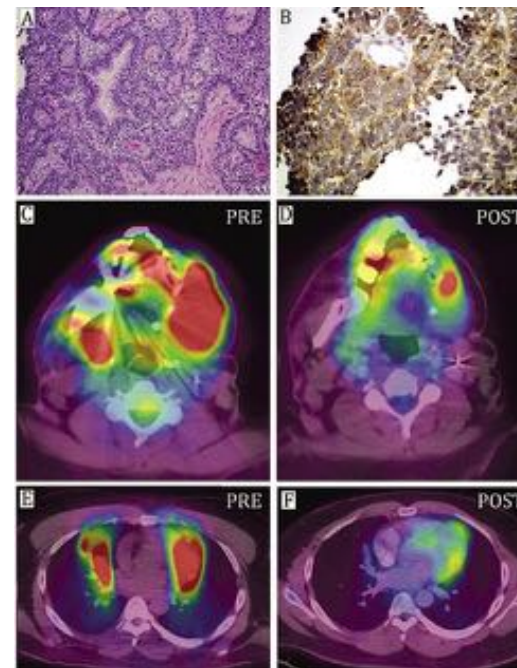


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Clinical and Radiographic Response With Combined BRAF-Targeted Therapy in Stage 4 Ameloblastoma

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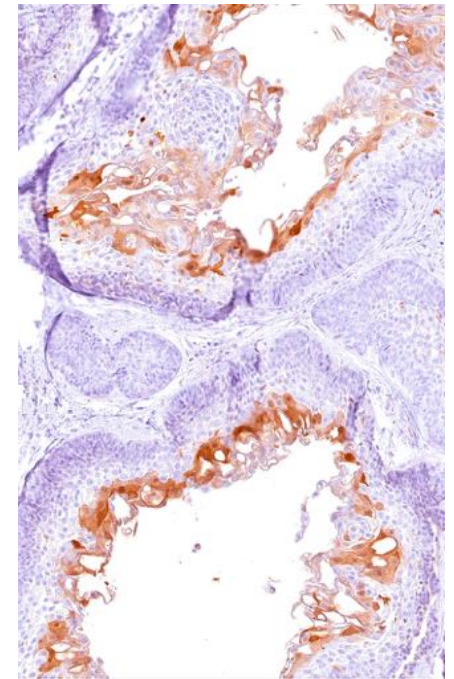
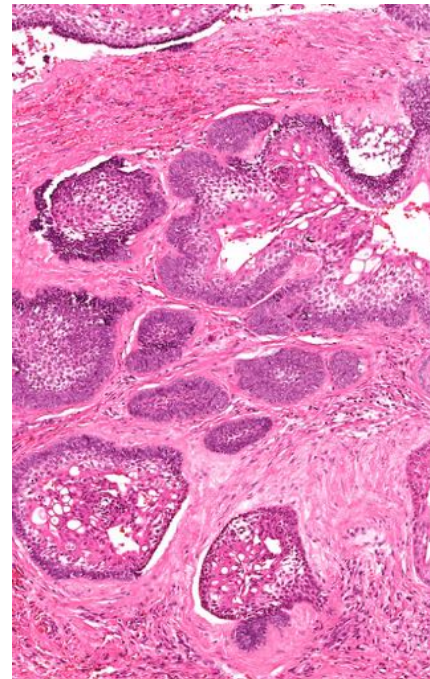
Dabrafenib (Tafinlar) 150mg bid & Trametinib (Mekinist) 2mg/d



Auxiliary immunohistochemistry

Calretinin

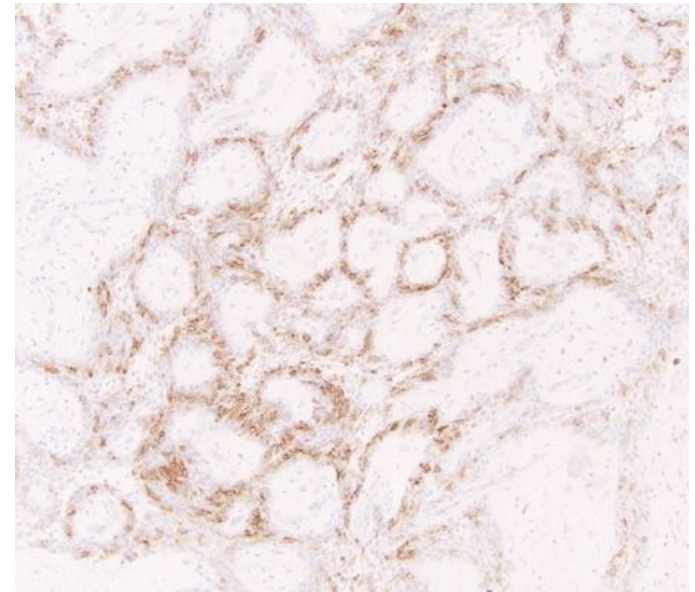
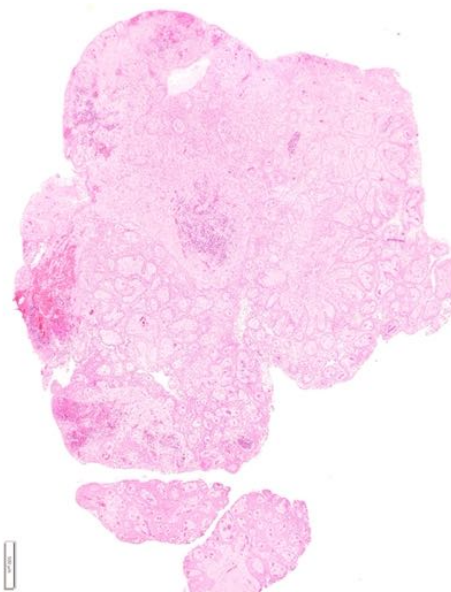
- 29-kDa calcium binding protein
- Suprabasal staining (stellate reticulum-like) and superficial layer
- Same for unicystic with the V-G criteria
- Some say that calretinin immunohistochemistry is of no use.



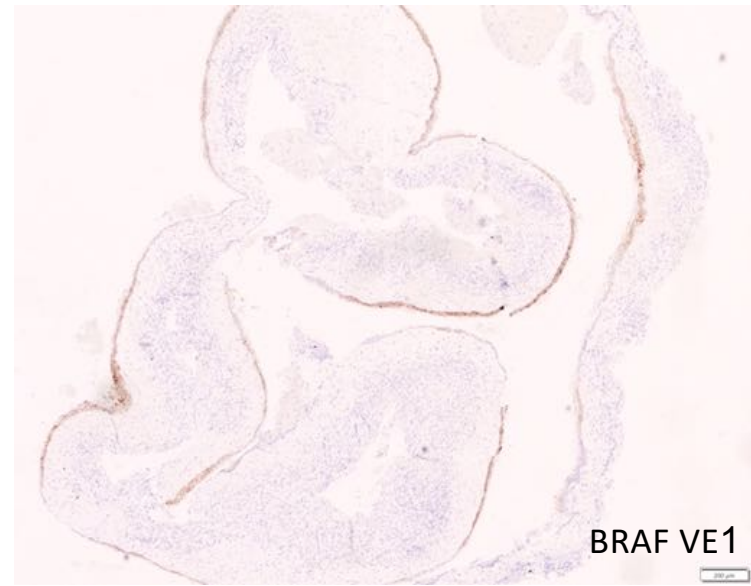
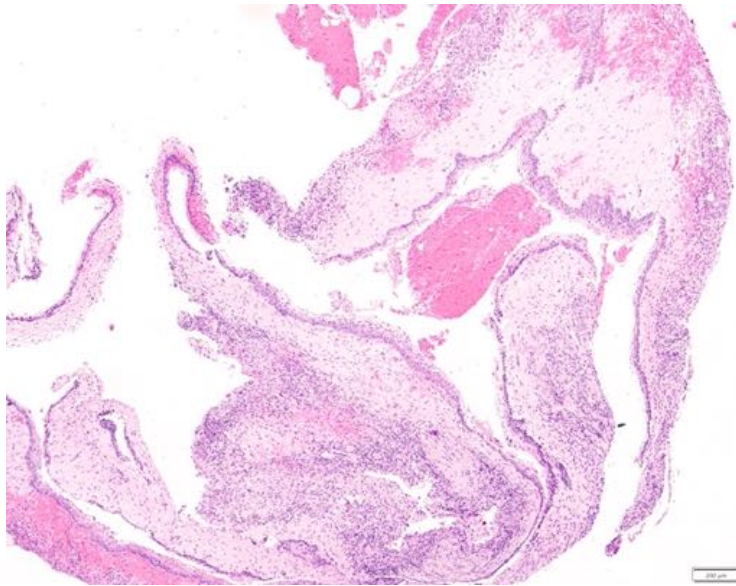
Auxiliary immunohistochemistry

CD56

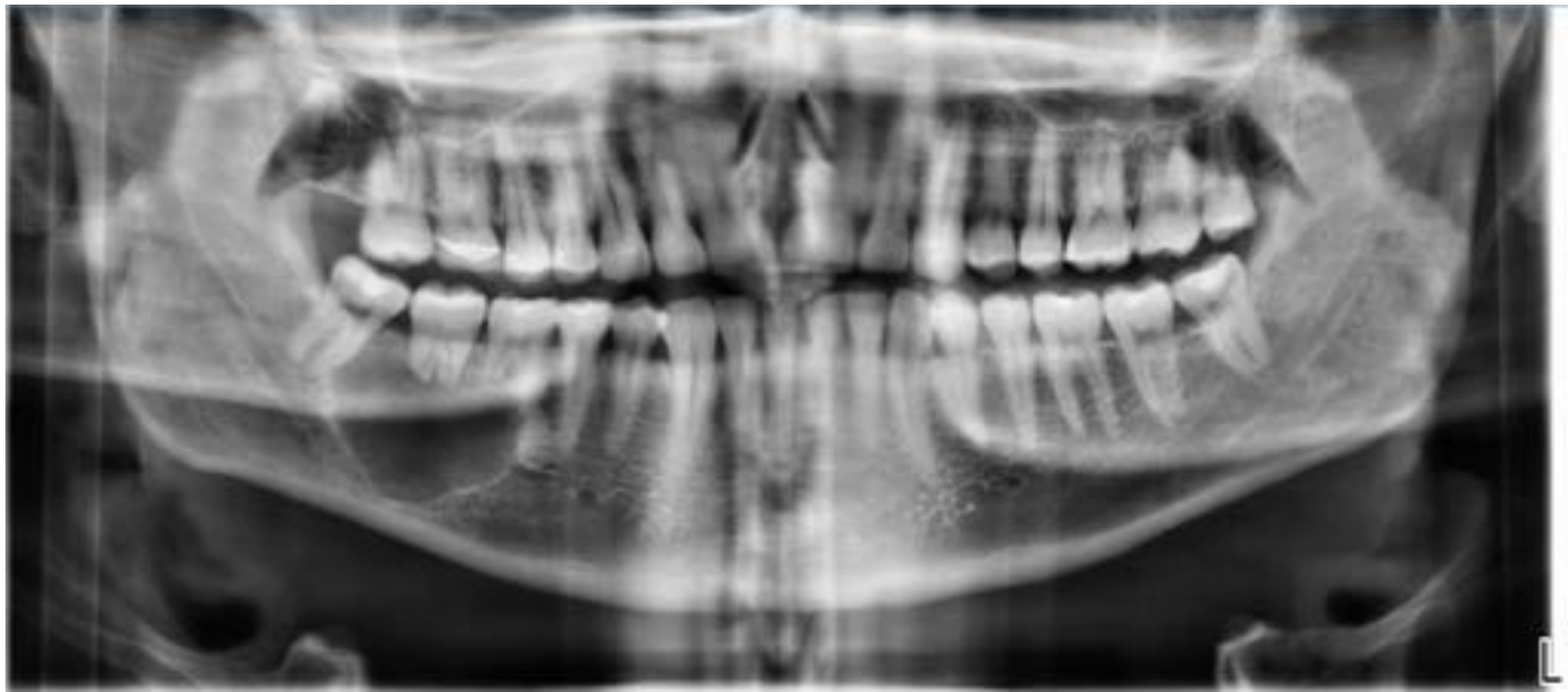
- NCAM
- Neural cell adhesion molecule
- Expression in odontogenesis
- Cairns et al. Histopathol
2010;57:544

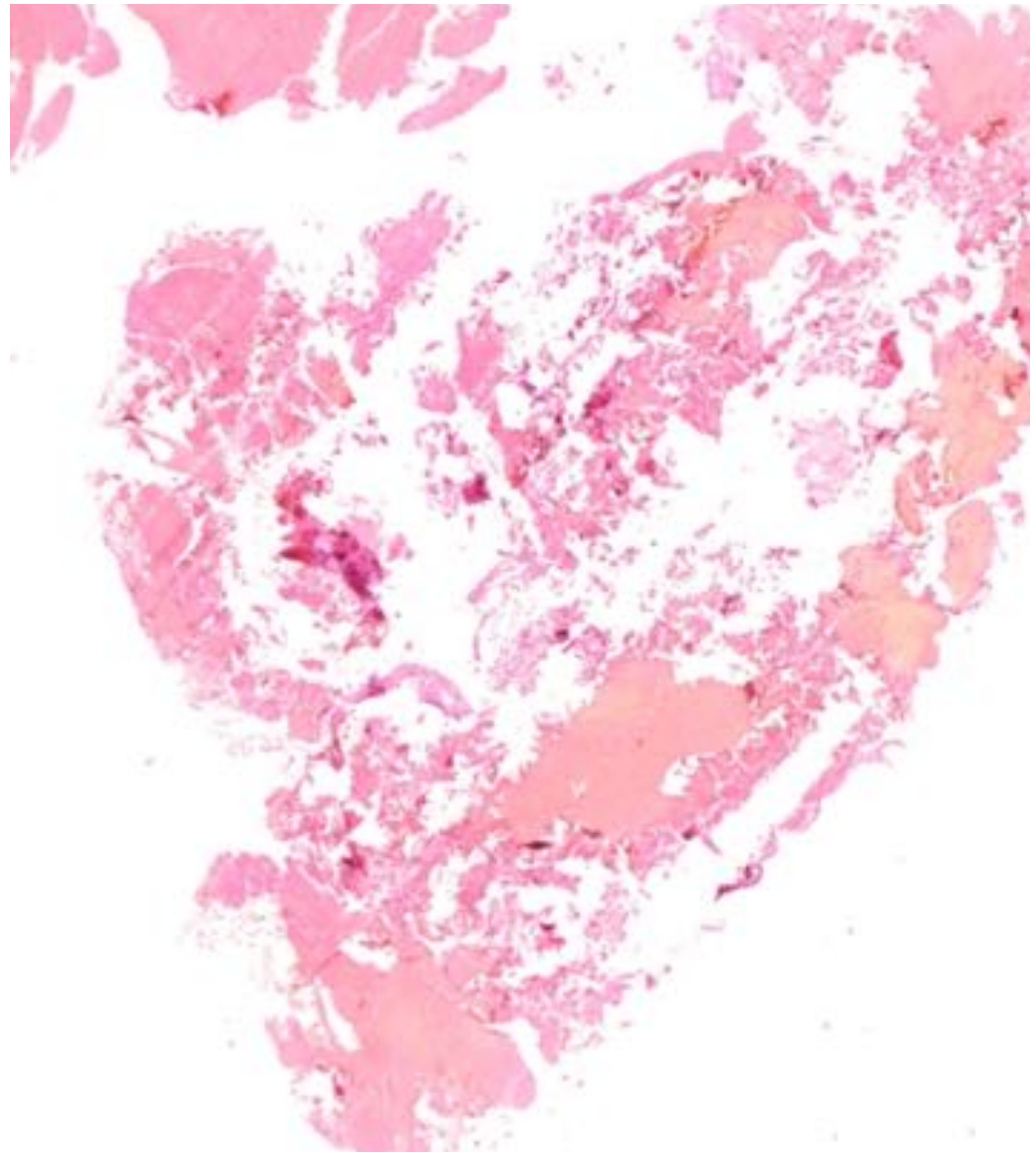
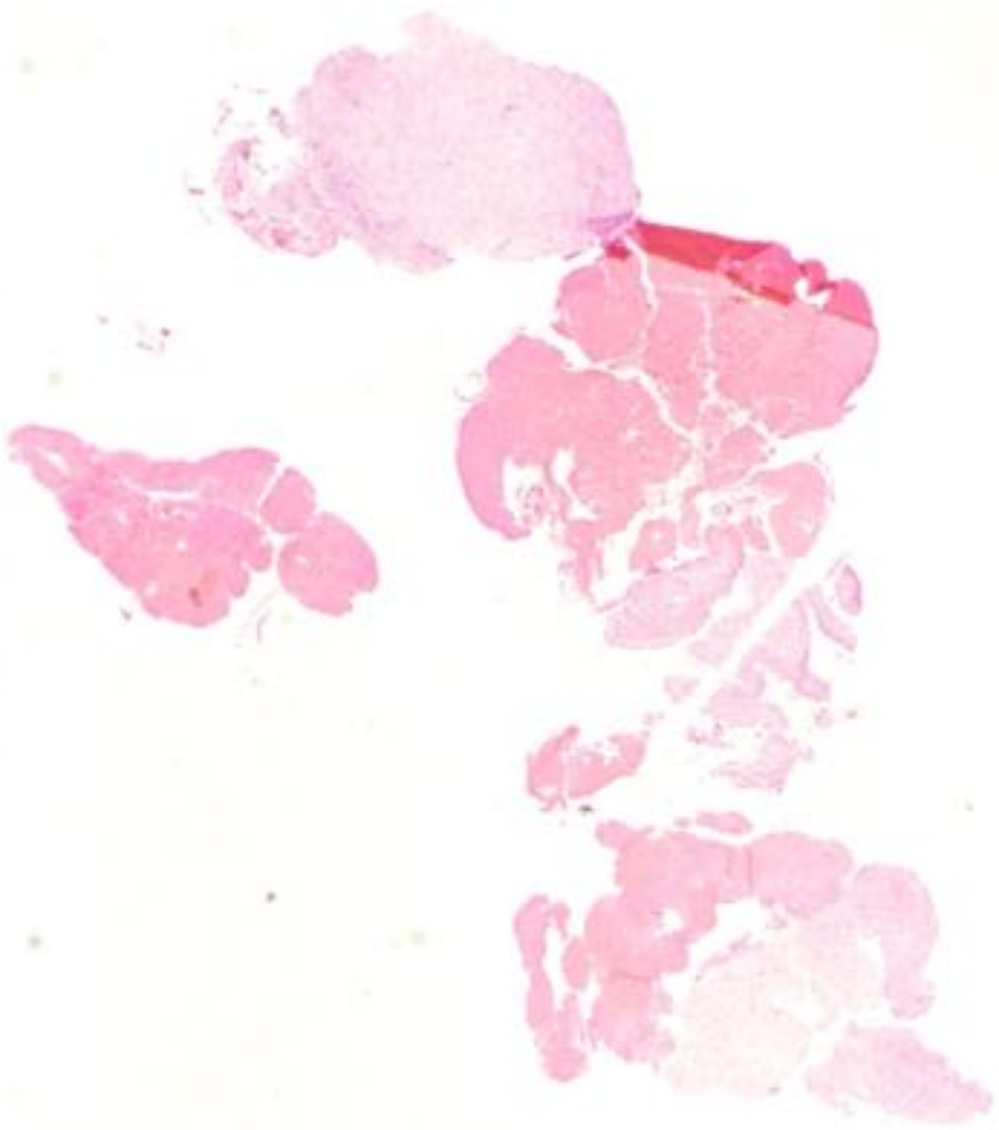


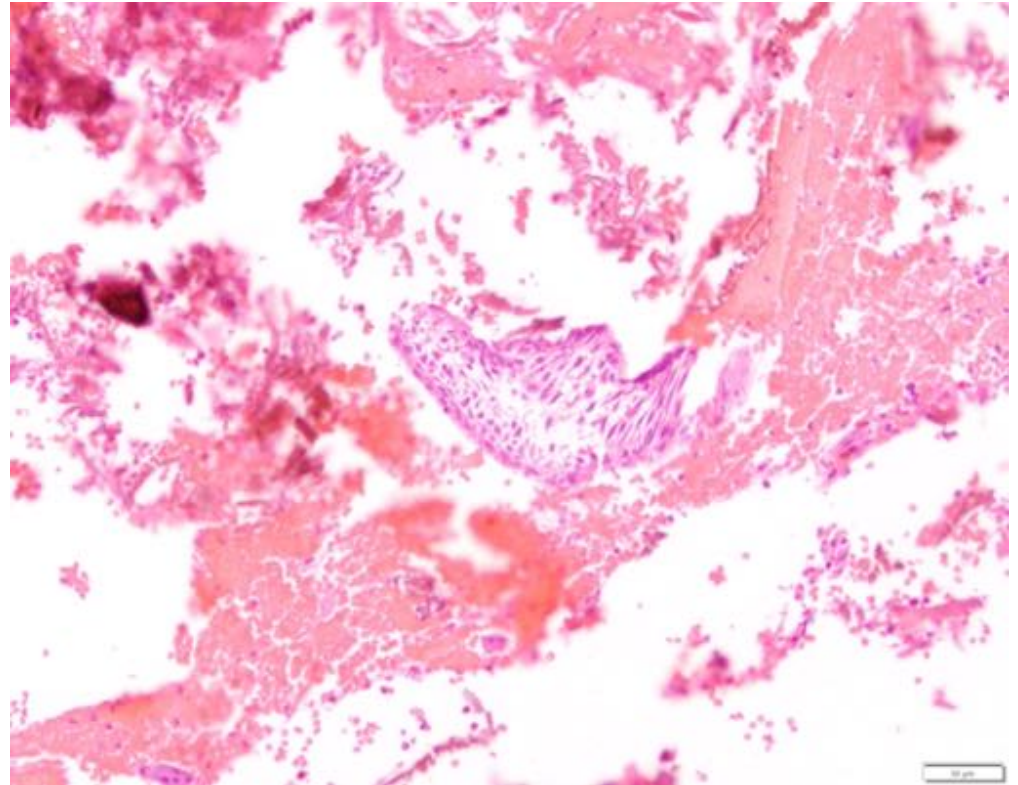
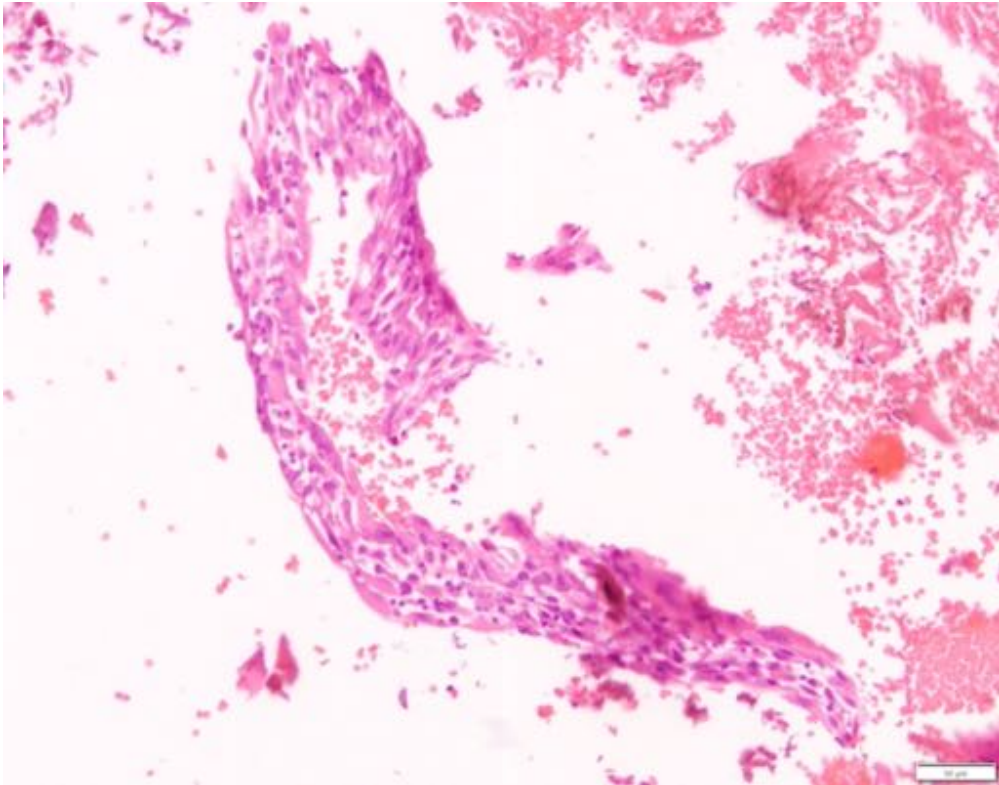
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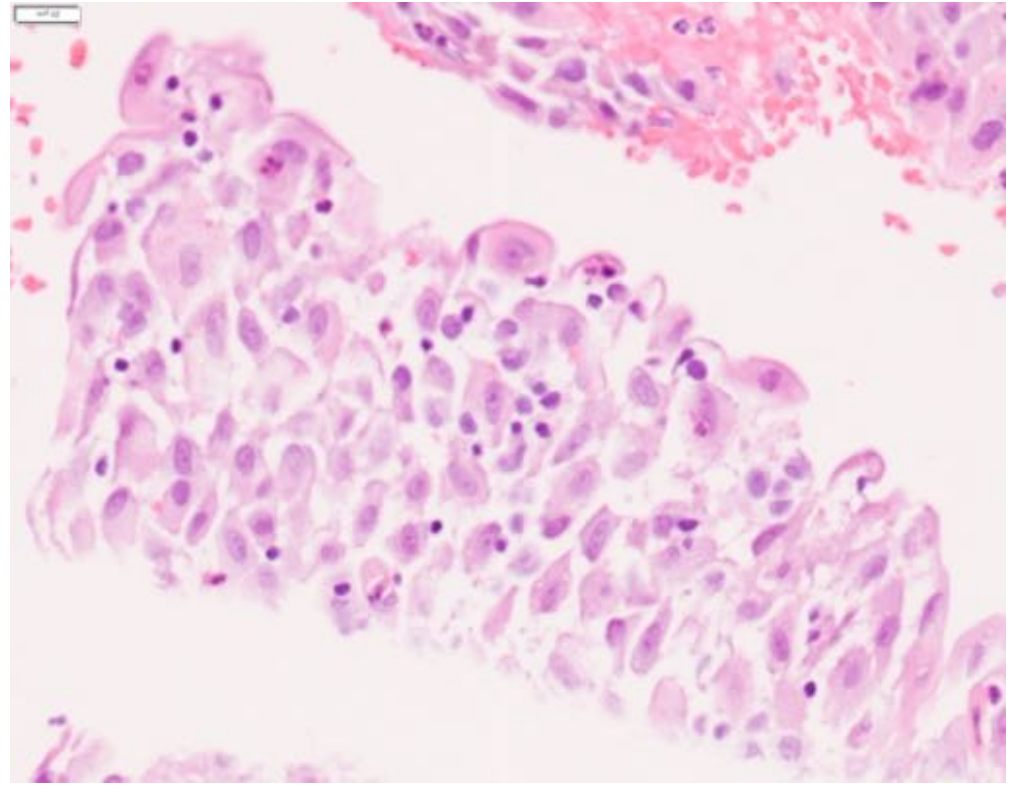
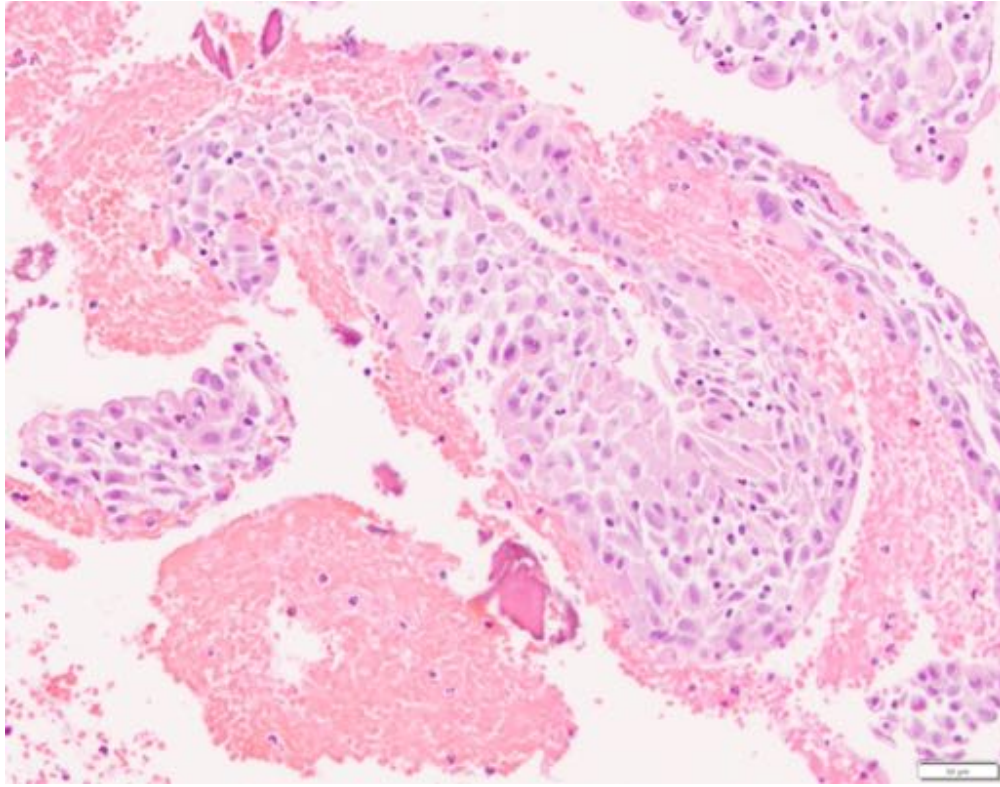


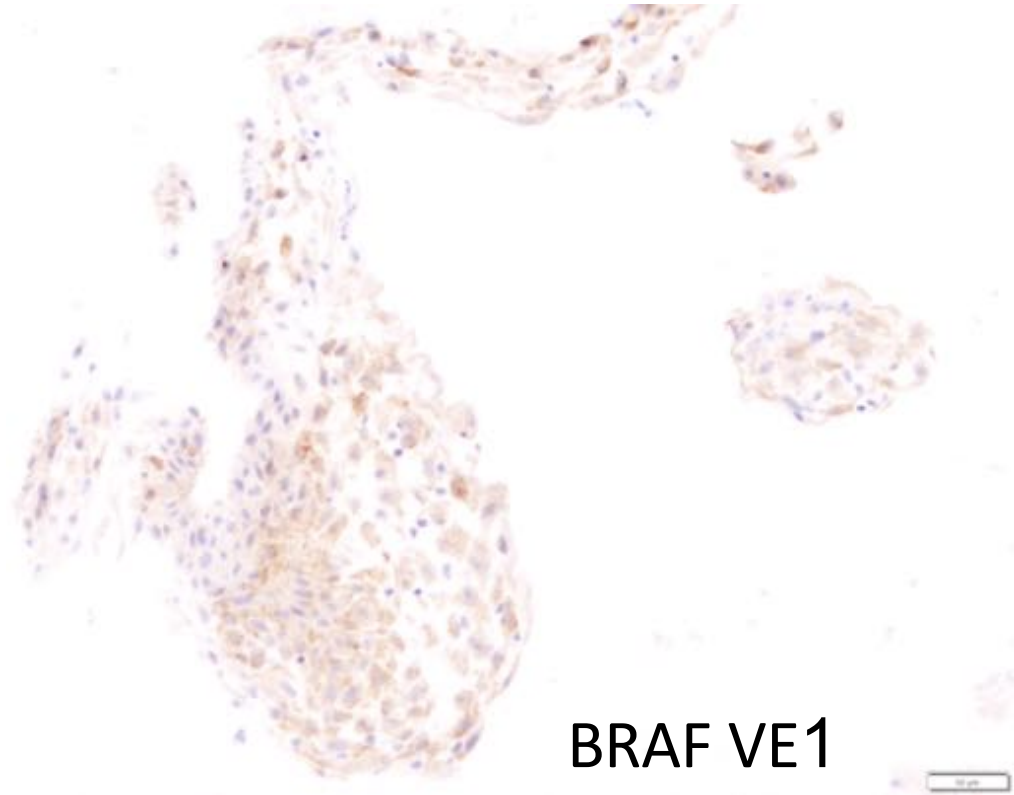
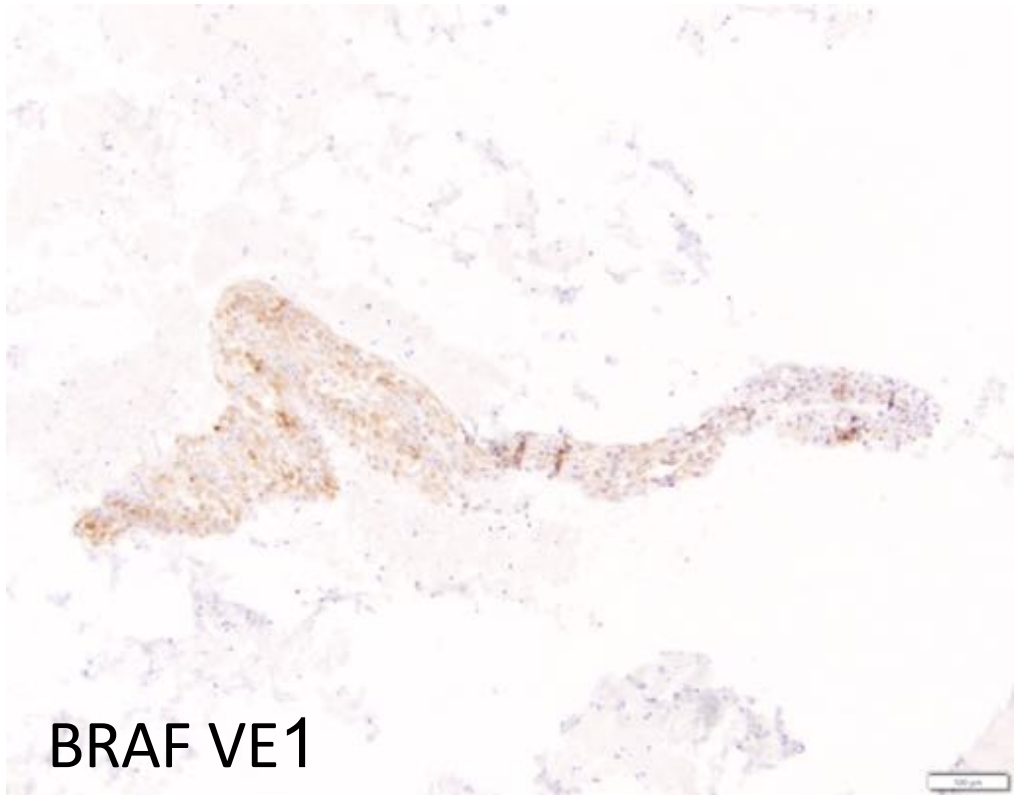
23-year-old male with marginally
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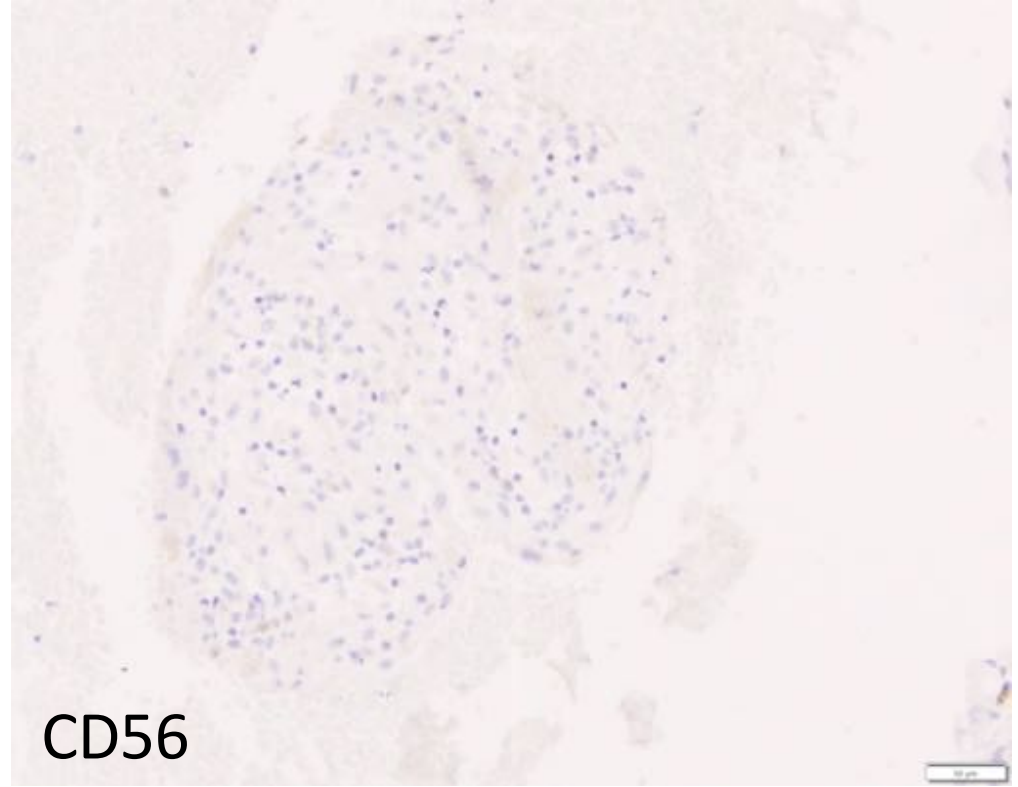
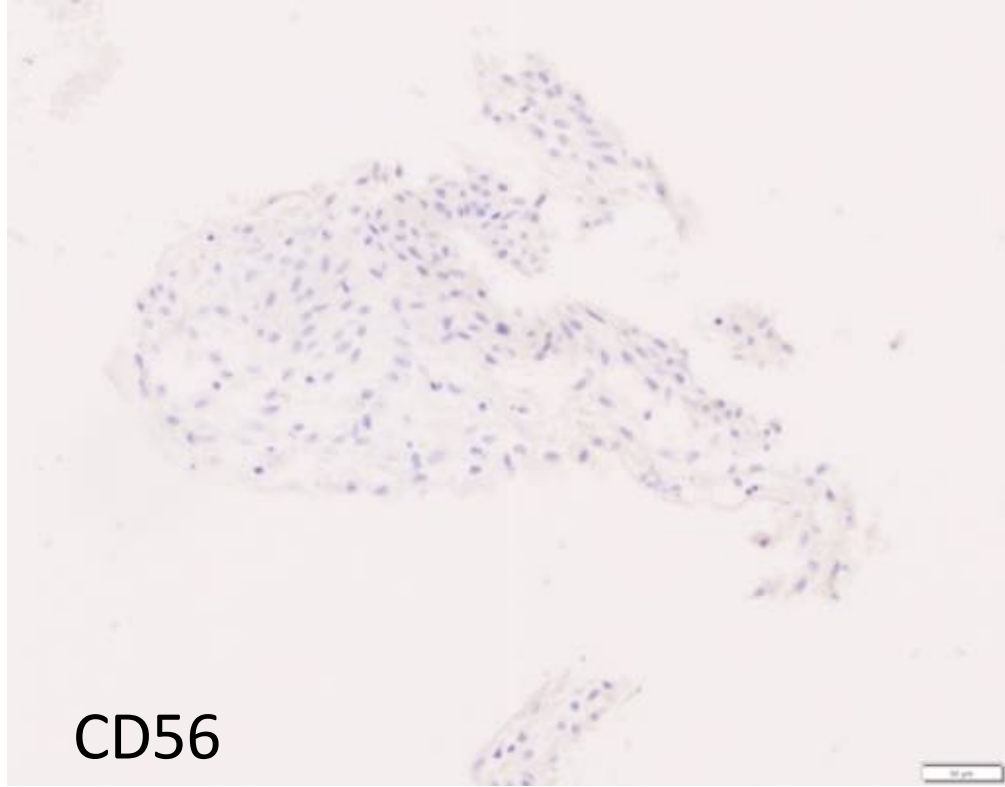


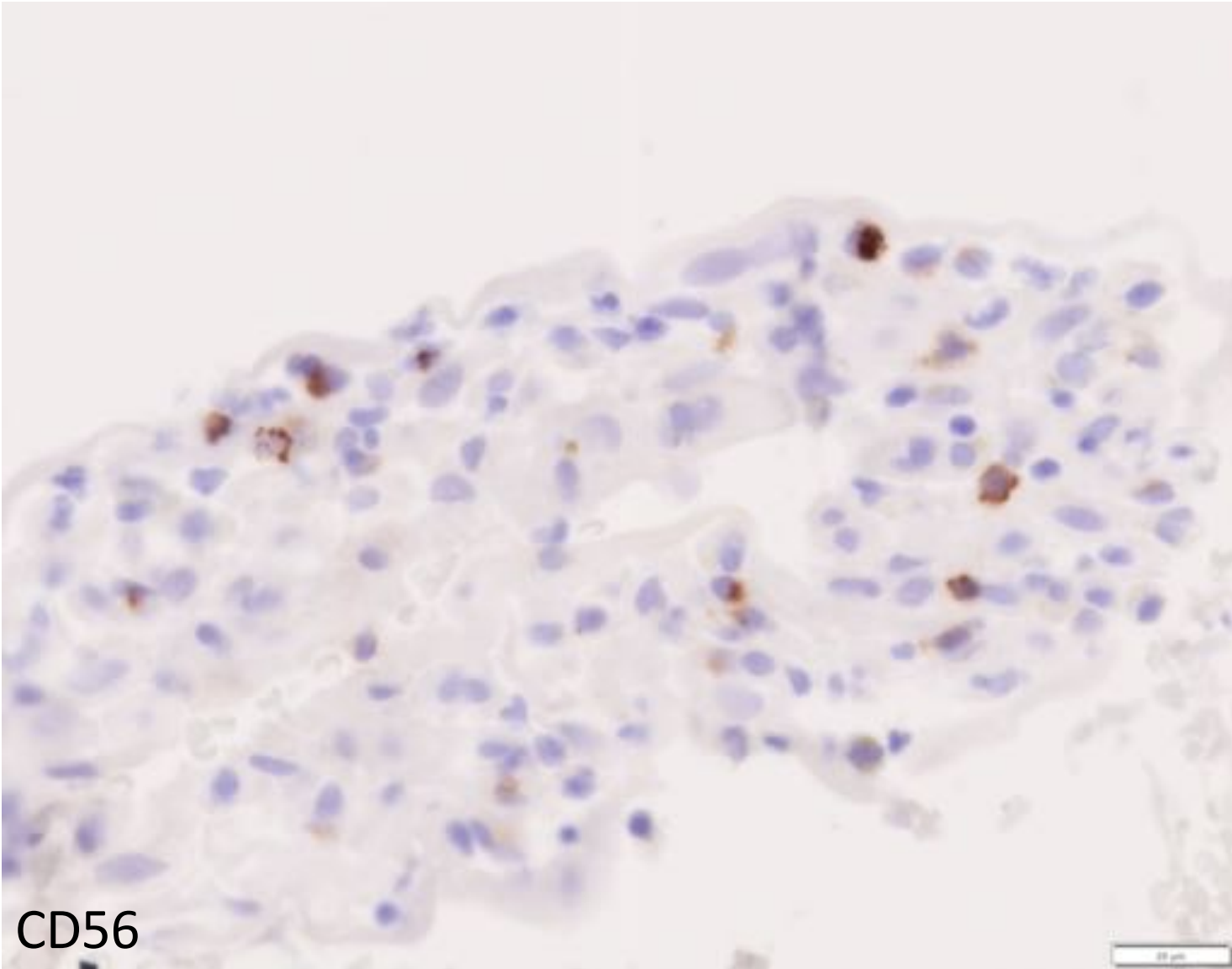




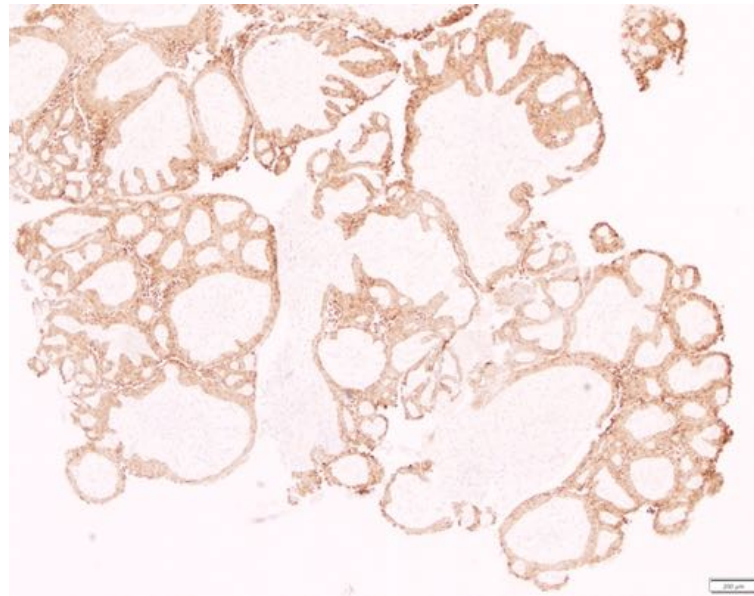
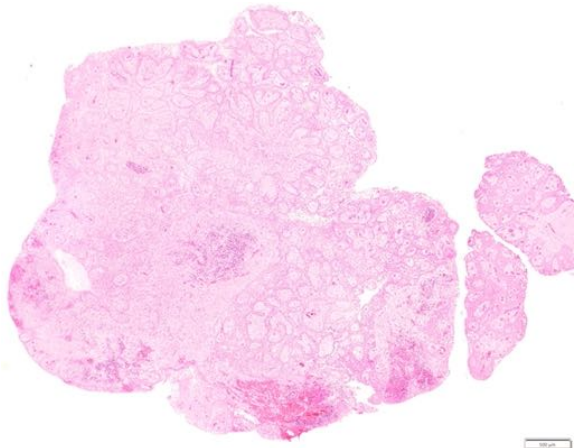




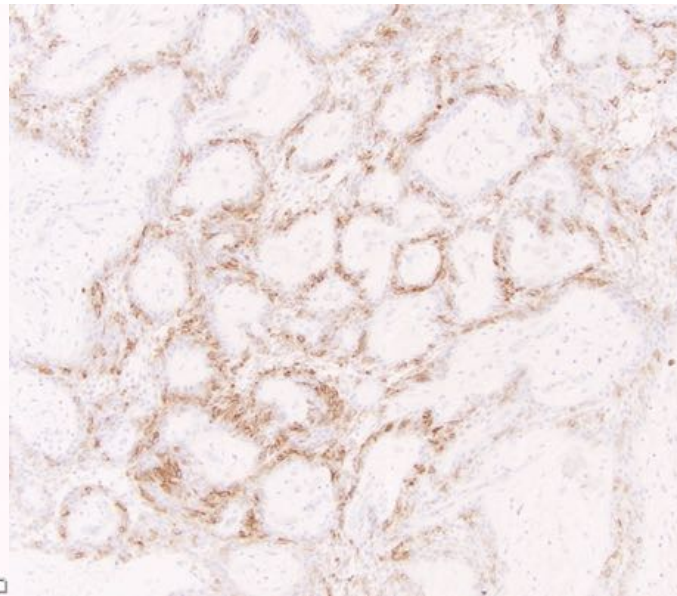




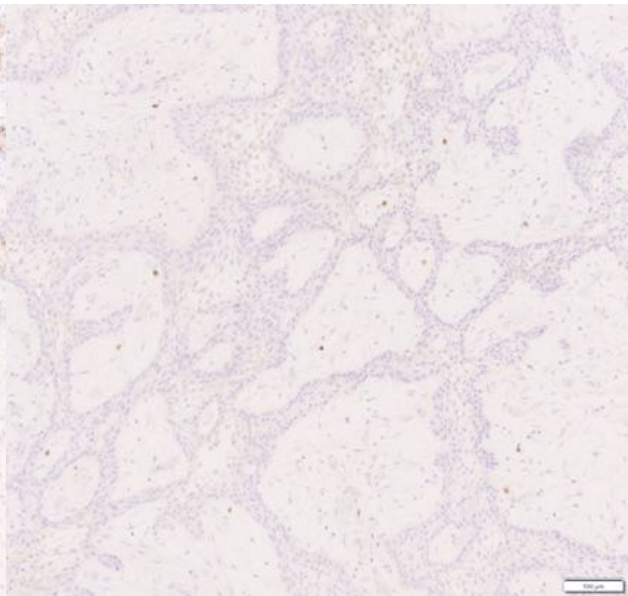
CD56



BRAF VE1



CD56



Calretinin

For Difficult Cases

- BRAF VE1: If positive, ameloblastoma with some certainty for mandibular tumors
 - BRAFV600E mutant ameloblastomas were positive by IHC in 18/19 (94.7%) cases and equivocal in 1/ 19 (5.3%) cases (Mendez et al. Mod Pathol 2022;35:1570)
 - BRAF-wild type ameloblastomas were negative by IHC (Mendez et al. Mod Pathol 2022;35:1570)
- CD56: If positive, ameloblastoma; if negative, ameloblastoma cannot be excluded
- Calretinin: We don't use it anymore

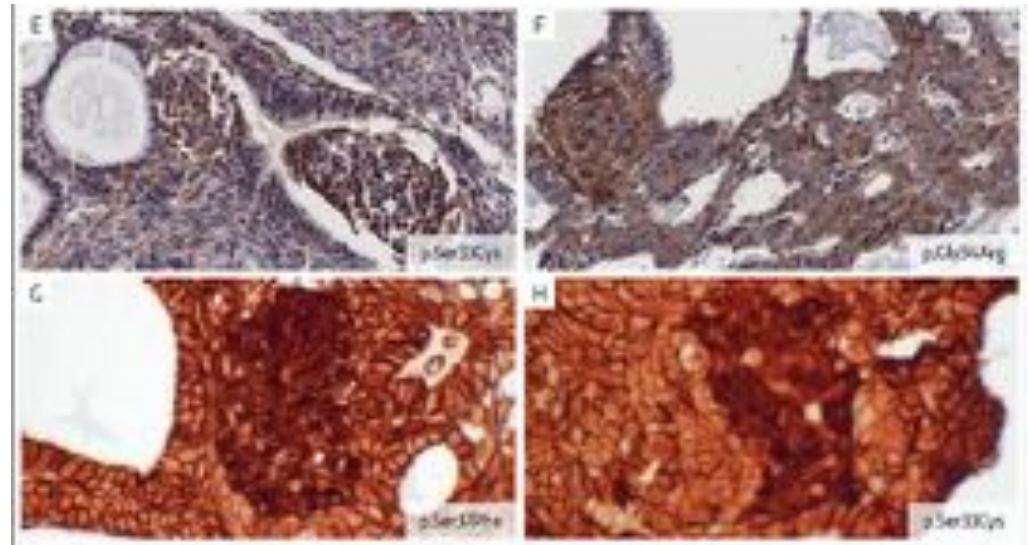
Adenoid ameloblastoma: clinicopathologic description of five cases and systematic review of the current knowledge

Loyola AM, et al. Oral Surg Oral Med Oral Pathol Oral Radiol 2015;120:368-377

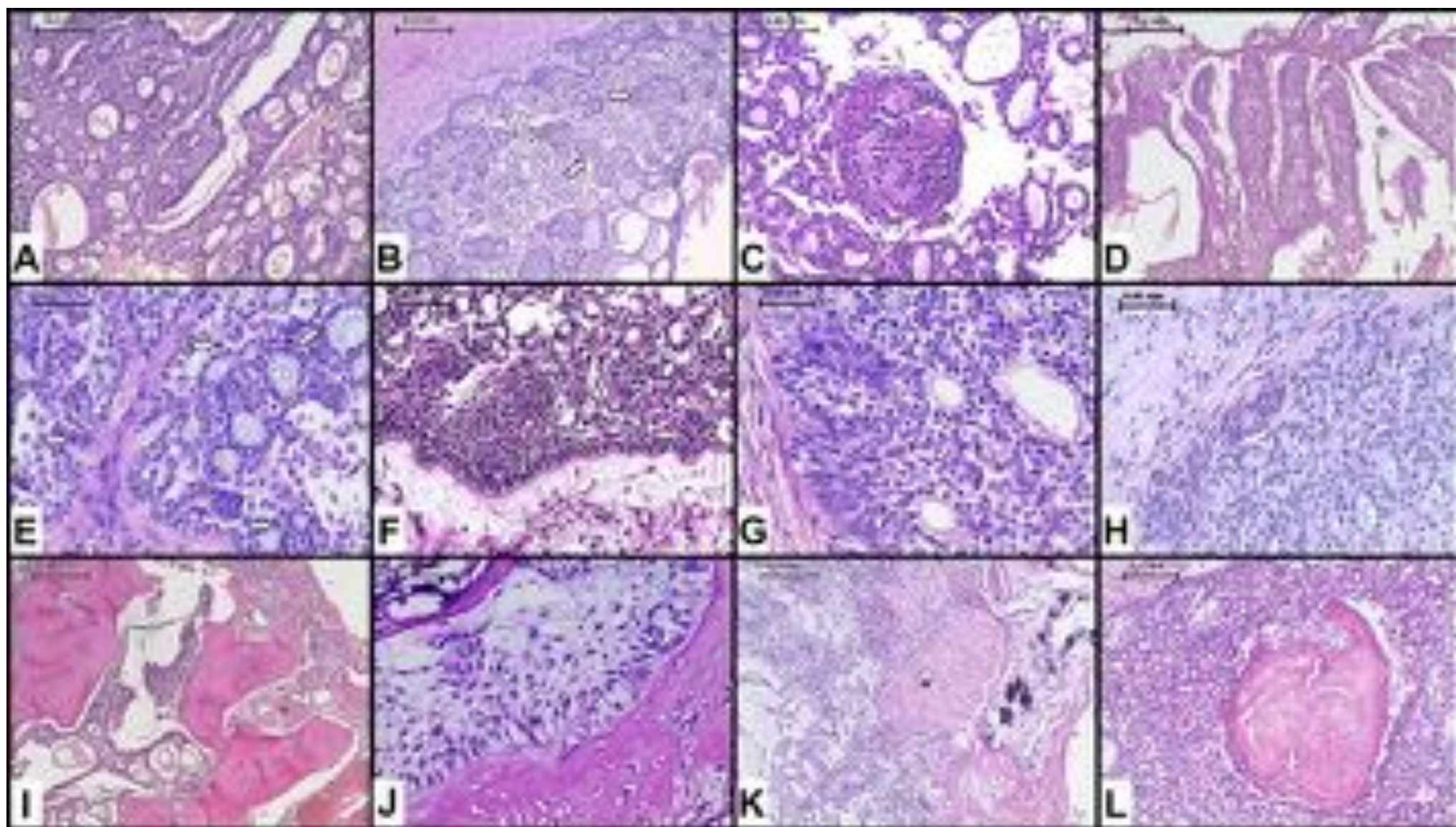


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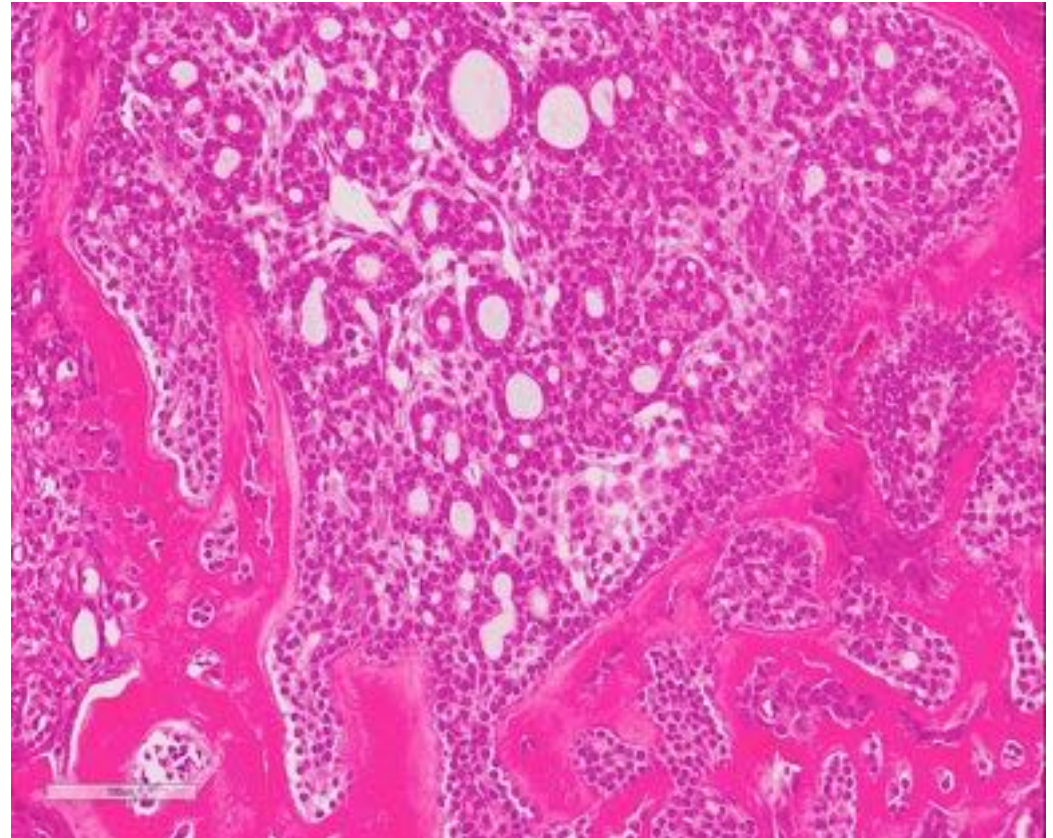
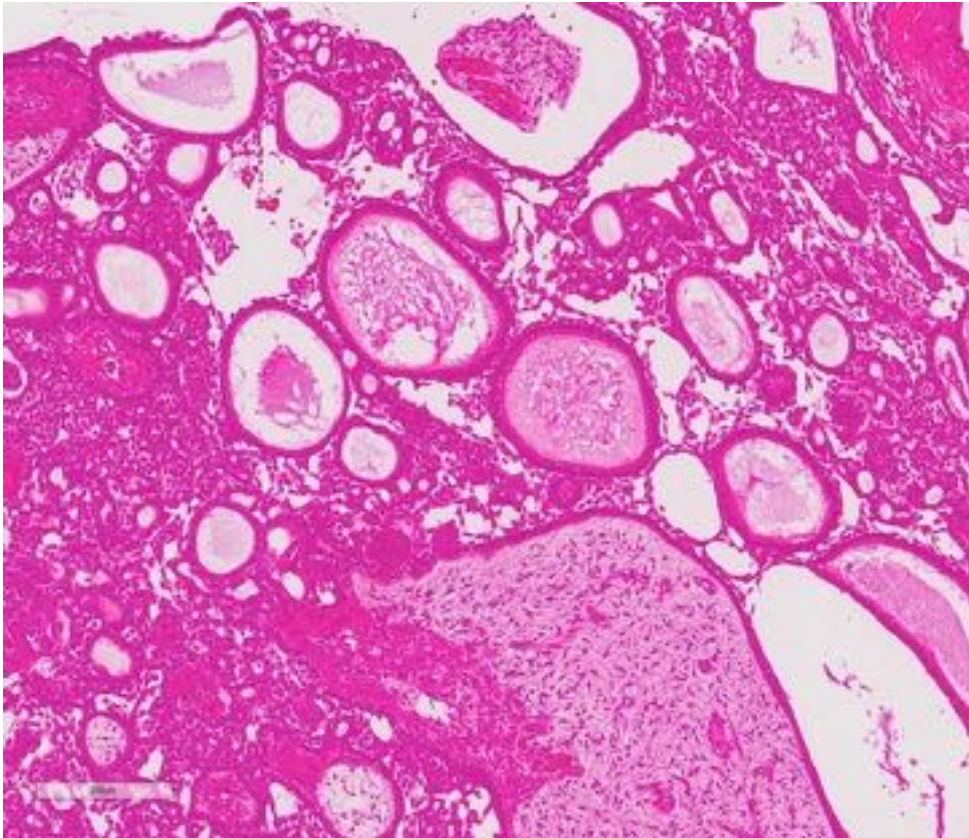
- Very rare; maxilla
- M:F=1.5
- Conventional ameloblastoma
- Duct-like structures
- Clusters of clear cells
- Ghost-cell keratinization
- Calcifications, dentinoid
- CTNNB1 exon 3 mutations in 4/9 patients
 - β -catenin immunohistochemistry



from Bastos et al. Mod Pathol 2022;35:1562



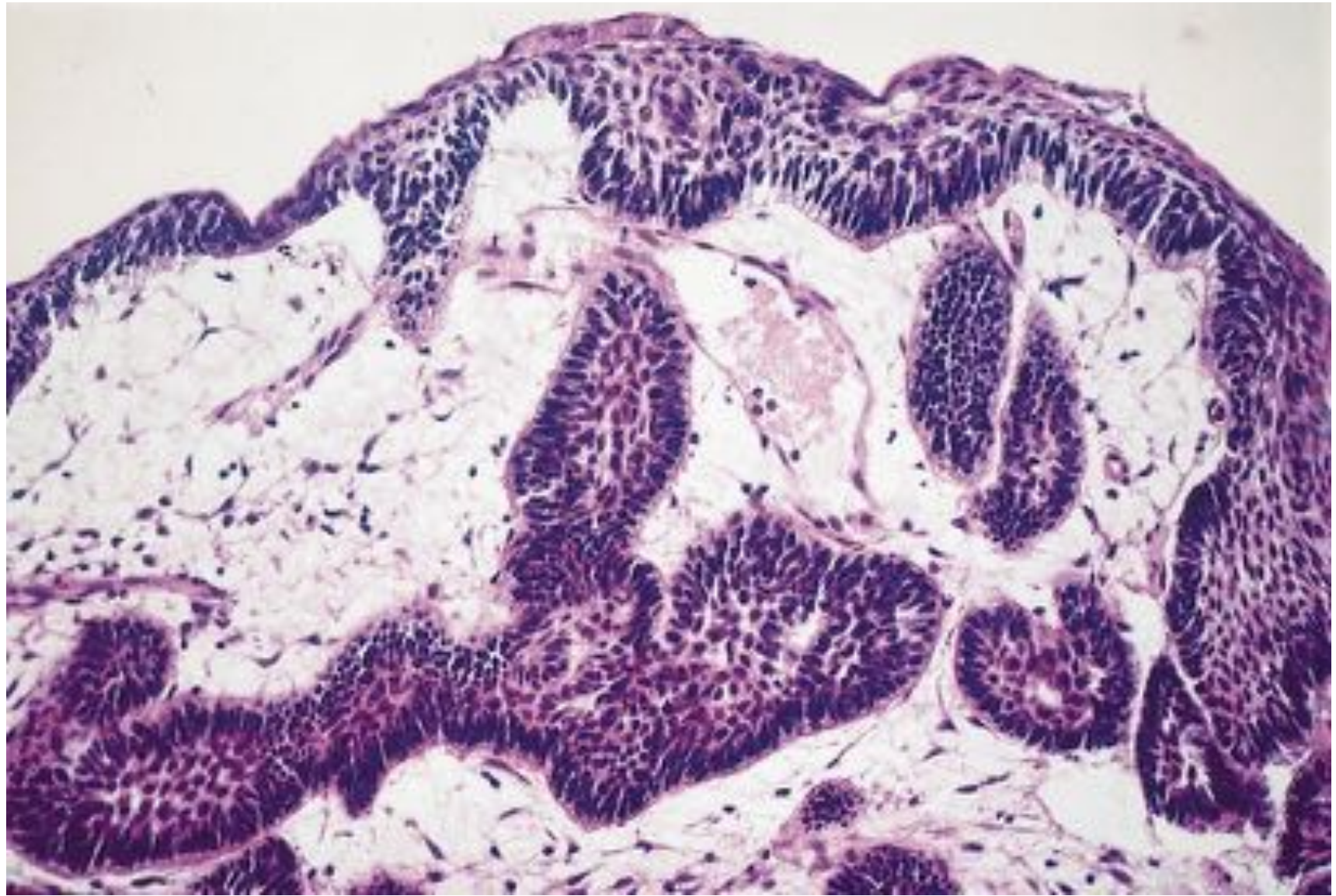
Pseudoducts in Adenoid Ameloblastoma



Primary Ameloblastoma of the Sinonasal Tract

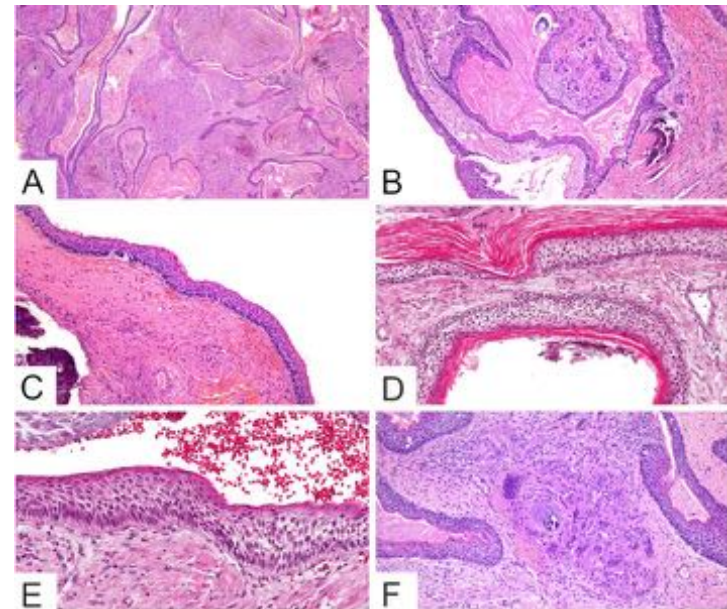
- 19 males and 5 females
- Mean age 59.7 (43-81) years.
- Enlarging mass in the maxillary sinus or nasal cavity (n = 24)
 - Sinusitis (n = 9) or epistaxis (n = 8). Unilateral opacification of the maxillary sinus (n = 12) was the most common radiographic finding.
- Unilateral opacification of the maxillary sinus (n = 12)
- Characteristic features of ameloblastoma
 - The majority of the tumors showed a plexiform growth pattern. Fifteen tumors demonstrated surface epithelial derivation





Keratoameloblastoma (KAB)

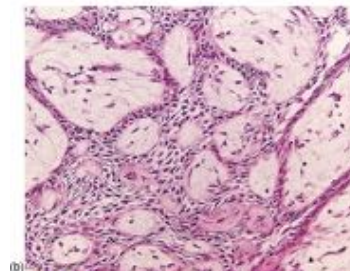
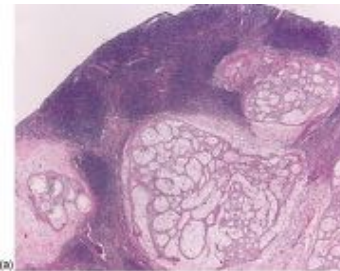
- **NOT INCLUDED IN THE W.H.O.**
- KAB/KOT-OKC features
- Scattered cystic and solid follicles
- Follicles showing extensive surface parakeratinization (Pacinian-like)
- Areas suggestive of KOT-OKC
- Hard tissue formation



Robinson et al. Head Neck Pathol 2022; epub

Metastasizing ameloblastoma

- Included in the benign epithelial odontogenic neoplasms
 - 30% mortality rate
- Akin to behavior of metastasizing pleomorphic adenoma?



Adenomatoid odontogenic tumor (AoT)

- Adenoameloblastoma (No-one uses this term)
- Kras mutations in ½ cases
- Hamartoma
- Possible induction of ectomesenchyme (dentinoid)
- Maxilla
- Patients between 10-19 years old
- 2F:M
- Enucleation

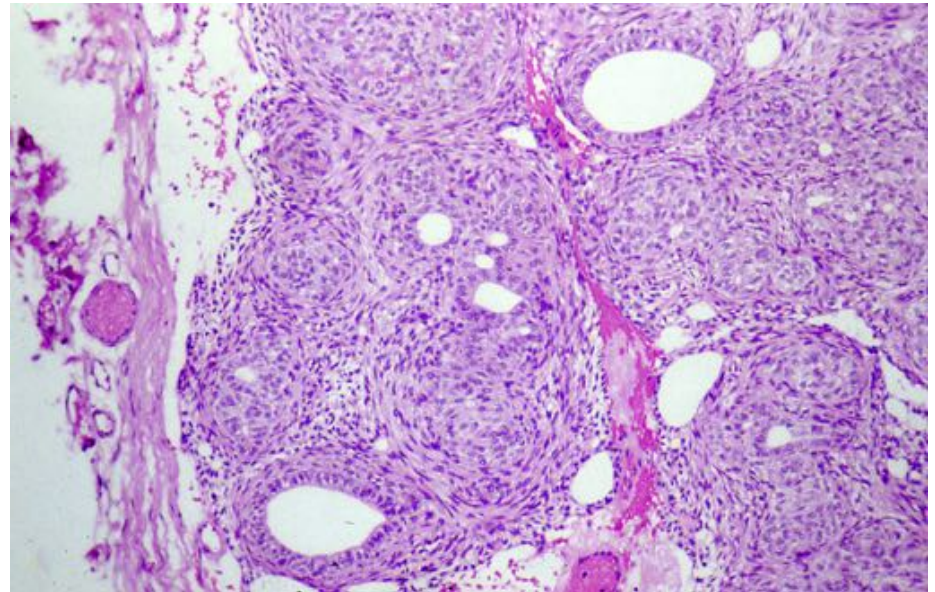


Adenomatoid odontogenic tumor

- *KRAS* (mitogen activating protein kinase, MAPK, pathway; p.G12V and p.G12R loci) in 70 % of the cases
- Multiple in patients with Schimmelpenning syndrome caused by postzygotic mutations in *RAS*.

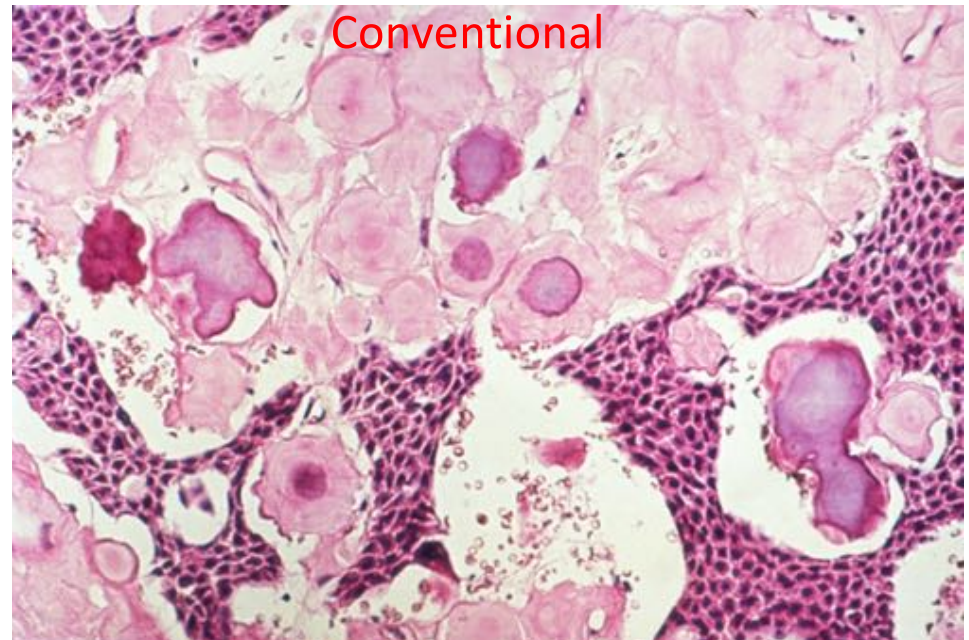
Adenomatoid odontogenic tumor

- Solid or cystic
- Spindle-shaped epithelial cells
- Whorls or strands
- Rosette-like structures
- Tubular or duct-like structures (may not be present; not true ducts)
- Calcifications
 - Abortive enamel
 - Dentinoid or cementum



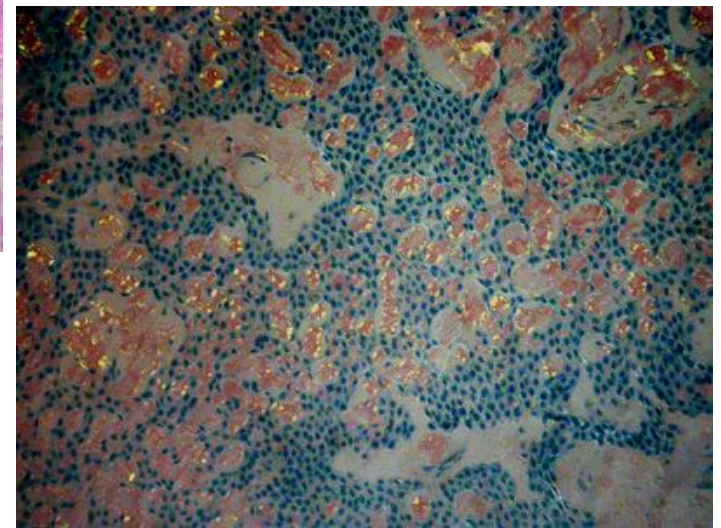
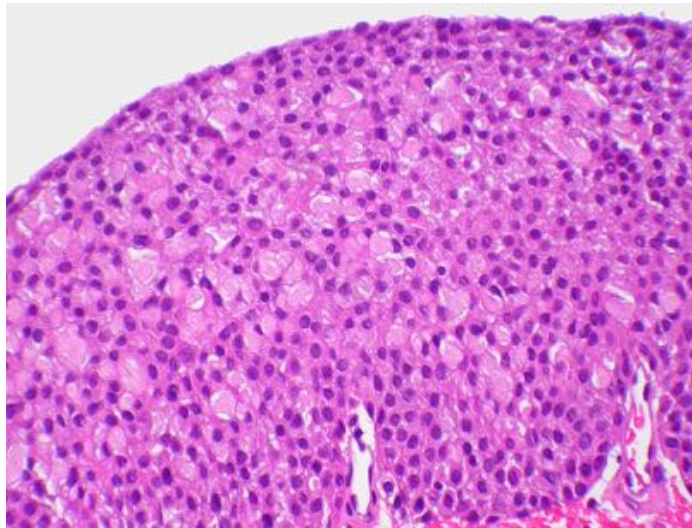
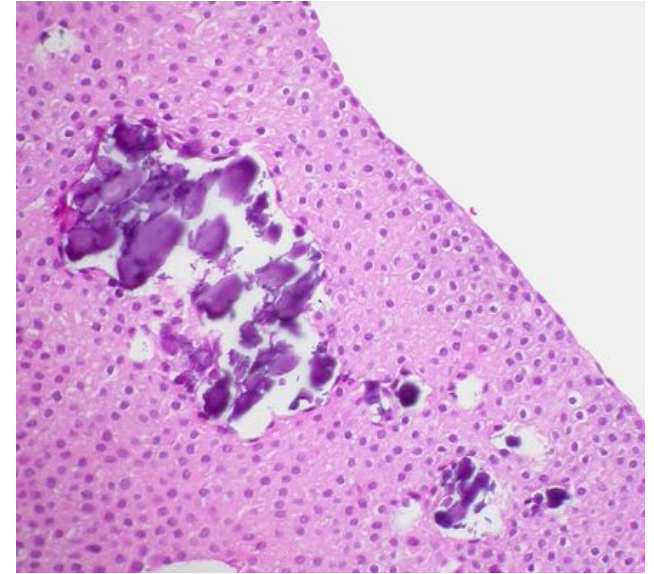
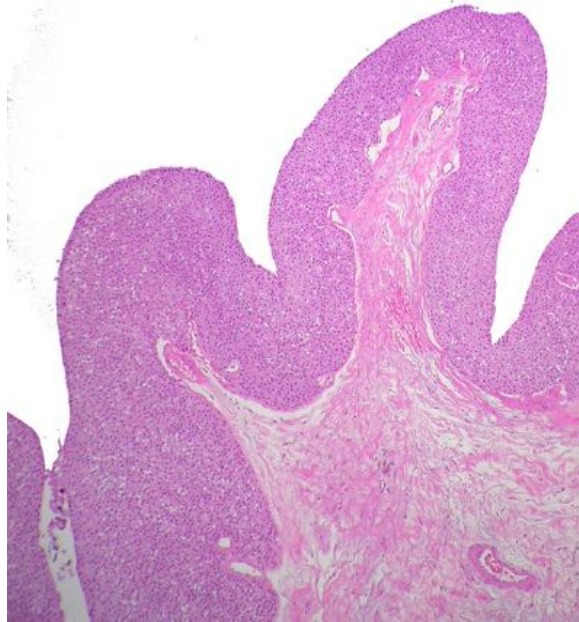
Calcifying epithelial odontogenic tumor

- 30-50 years of age
- 2/3 in posterior mandible
 - Association with impacted molar
- Rare peripheral examples
- Unilocular or multilocular radiolucency with sometimes radiopaque areas
- Less aggressive than ameloblastoma
- Conventional
- **Cystic** or microcystic type
 - Gopalakrishnan et al. 4OE 2006;102:773-7
- Non-calcifying with Langerhans' cells (NCLC)
 - **I do NOT agree**
 - Central odontogenic fibroma with amyloid (COF)
 - NCLC has essentially similar clinical presentation with COF

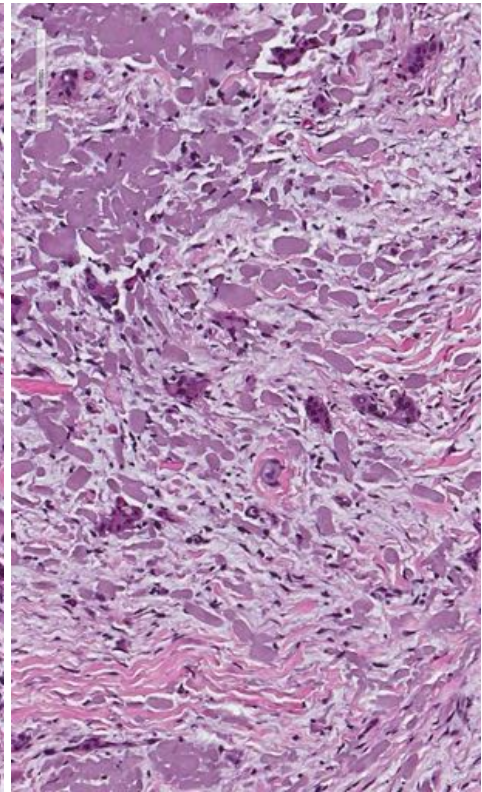
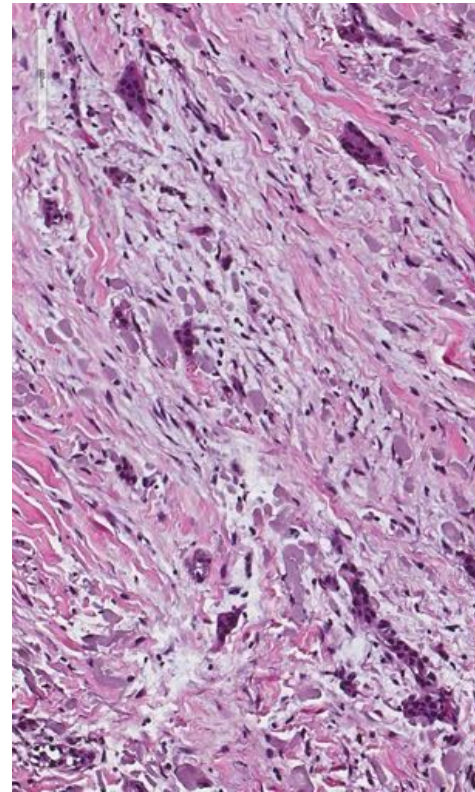
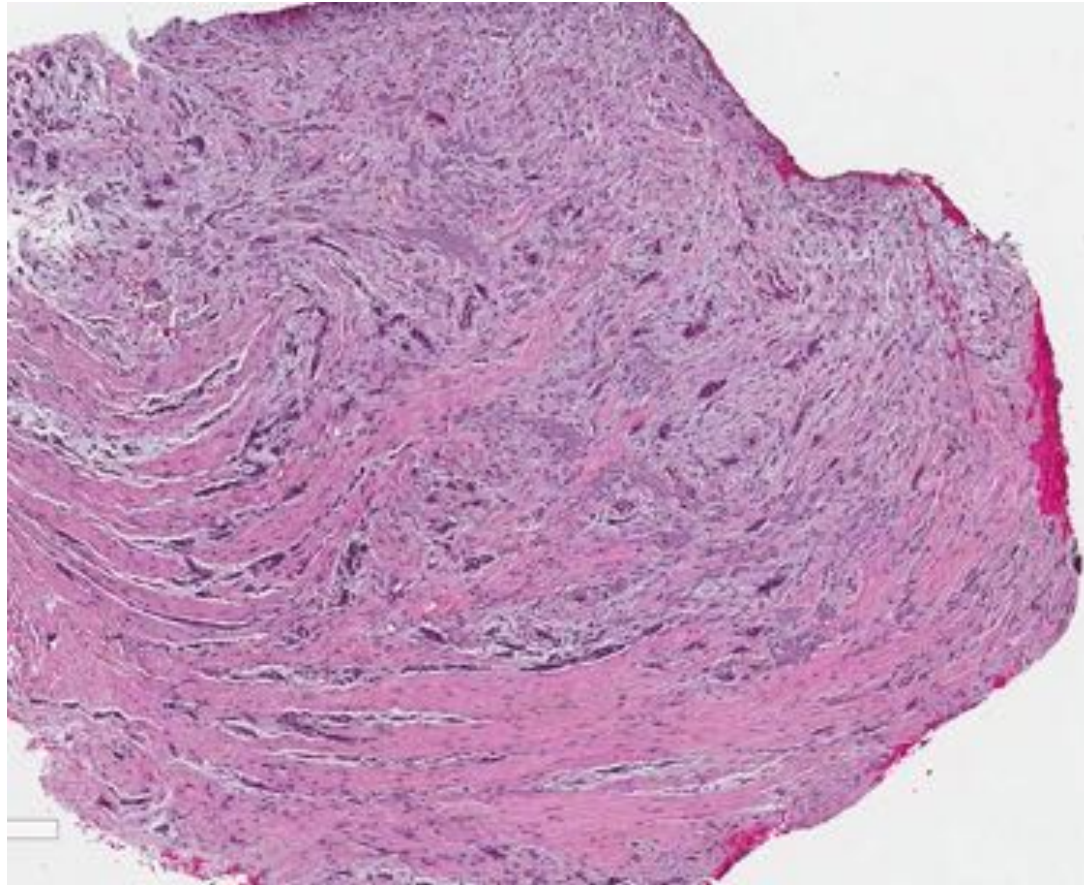




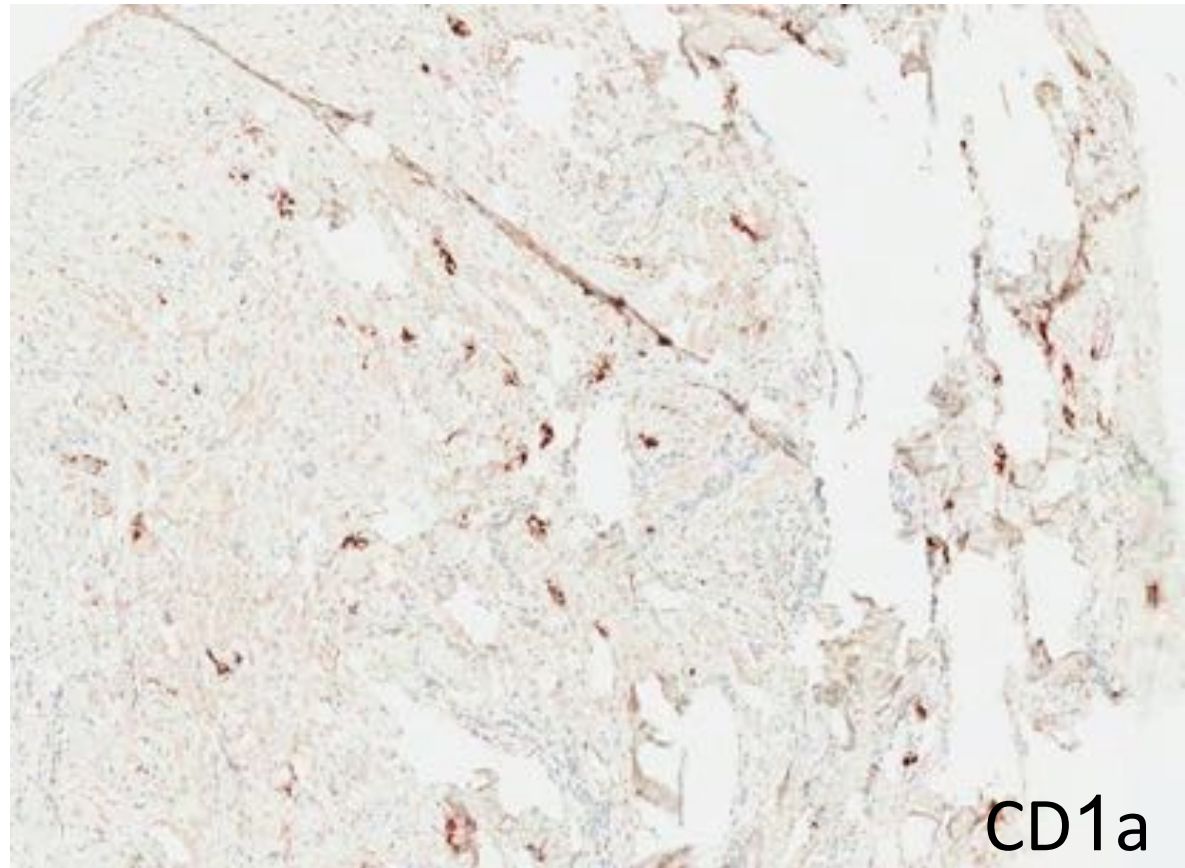
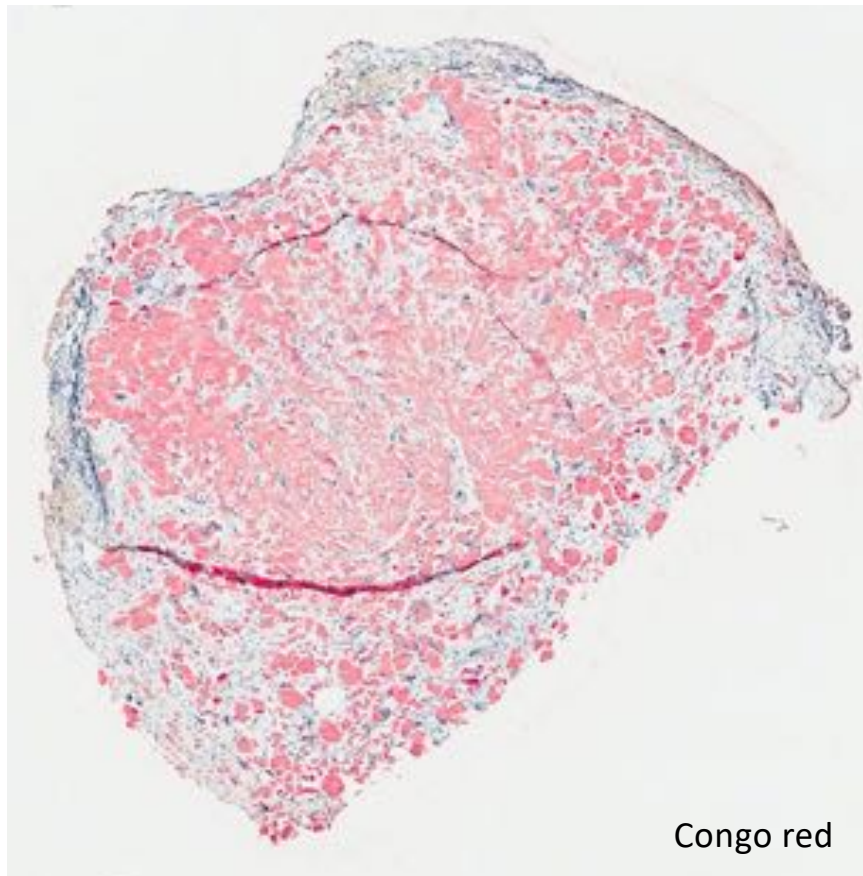
Cystic or microcystic type



Non-calcifying variant with Langerhans' cells variant (NOT IN MY OPINION)

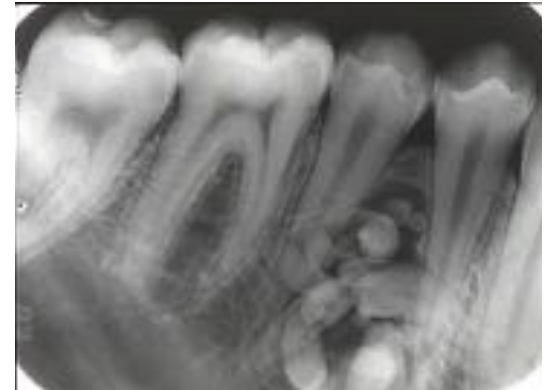
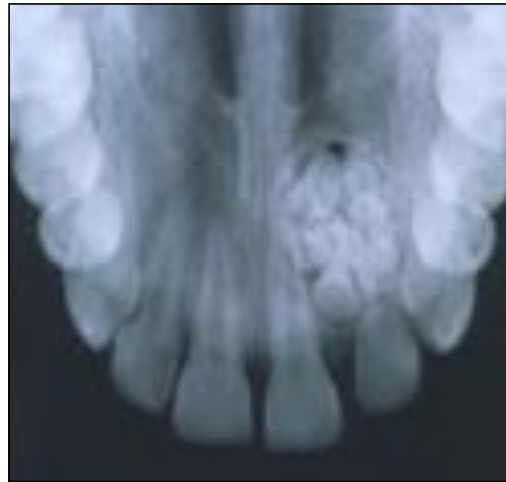
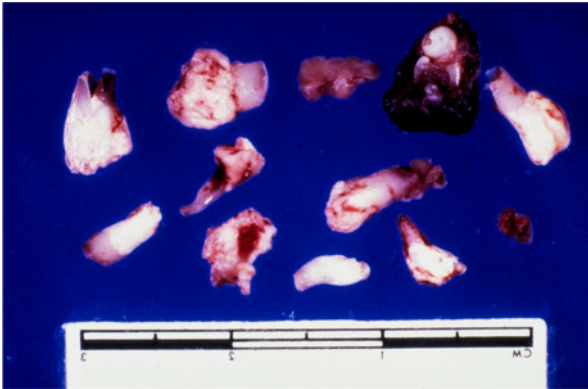
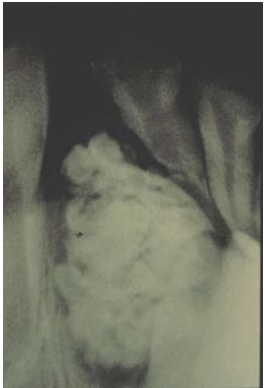


Non-calcifying variant with Langerhans' cells variant (NOT IN MY OPINION)



Odontomas

- Hamartomas
- Aberrant activation of the Wnt/ β -catenin signaling
- Decreased Sema3A expression



Benign mixed epithelial and mesenchymal odontogenic tumors (2022)

Odontoma

Primordial odontogenic tumour

Ameloblastic fibroma

Dentinogenic ghost tumour

Benign mixed epithelial and mesenchymal odontogenic tumors (2017)

Ameloblastic fibroma

Primordial odontogenic tumour

Odontoma

-Odontoma, compound type

-Odontoma, complex type

Dentinogenic ghost tumour

BRAF IN MIXED ODONTOGENIC TUMORS

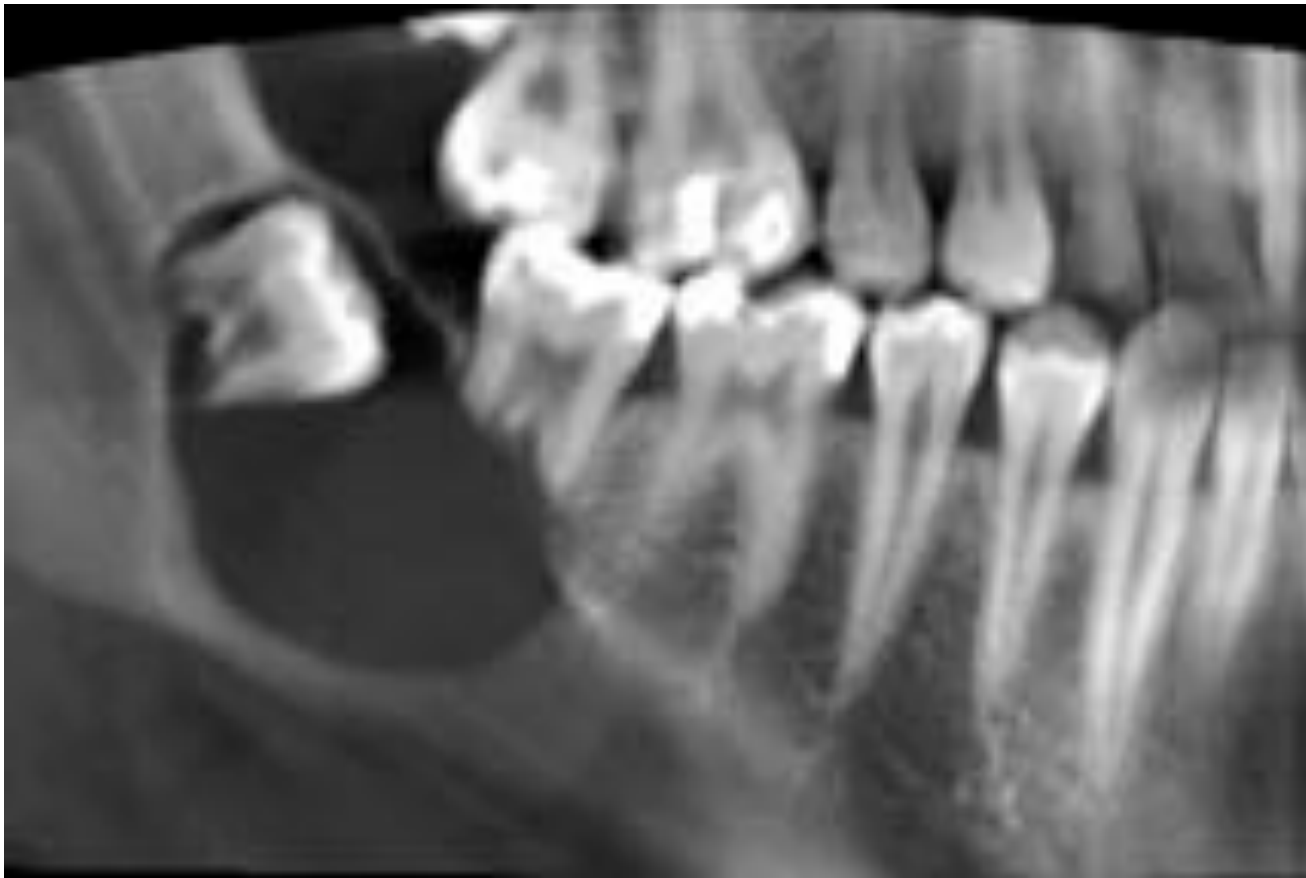
- *BRAF* p.V600E in a subset
 - Ameloblastic fibroma
 - Ameloblastic fibrodentinoma
 - Ameloblastic fibro-odontoma
 - Ameloblastic fibrosarcoma
- *BRAF* wild type
 - Odontomas

Primordial odontogenic tumor

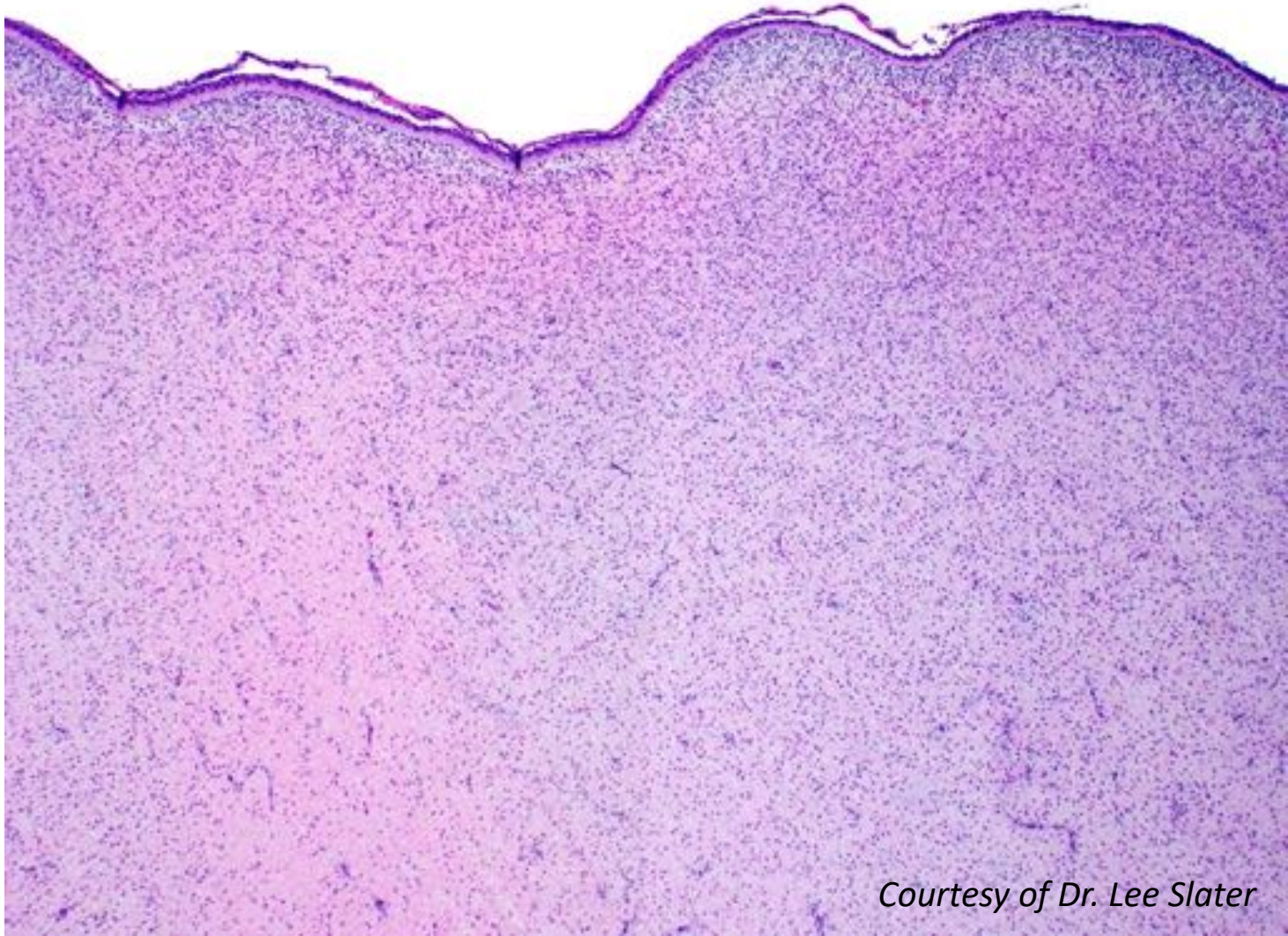
- Children and young patients
- 6Man:Max
- Association with unerupted teeth (wisdom)
- Asymptomatic
- Cortical expansion



A 19-year-old man had a painless incidental finding



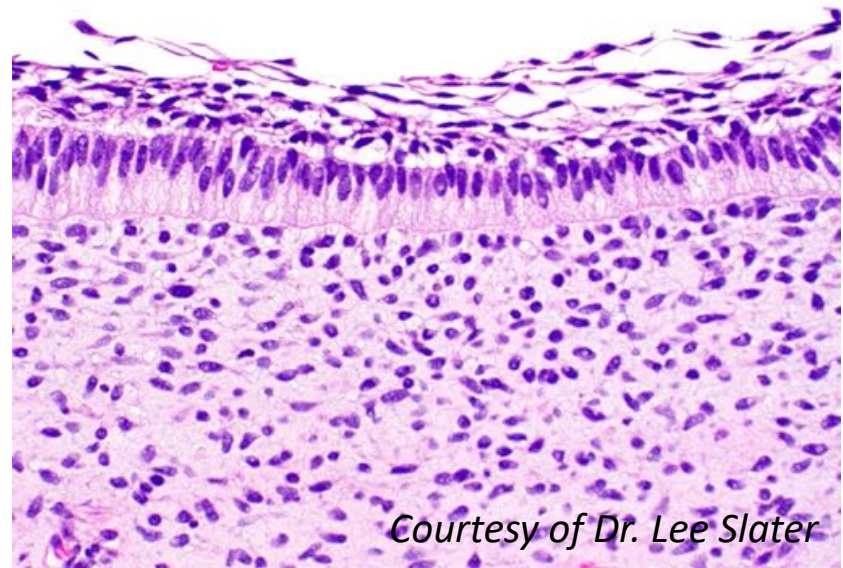
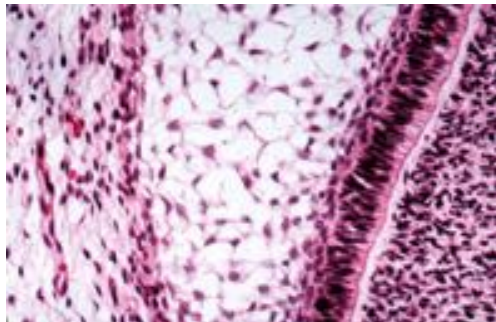
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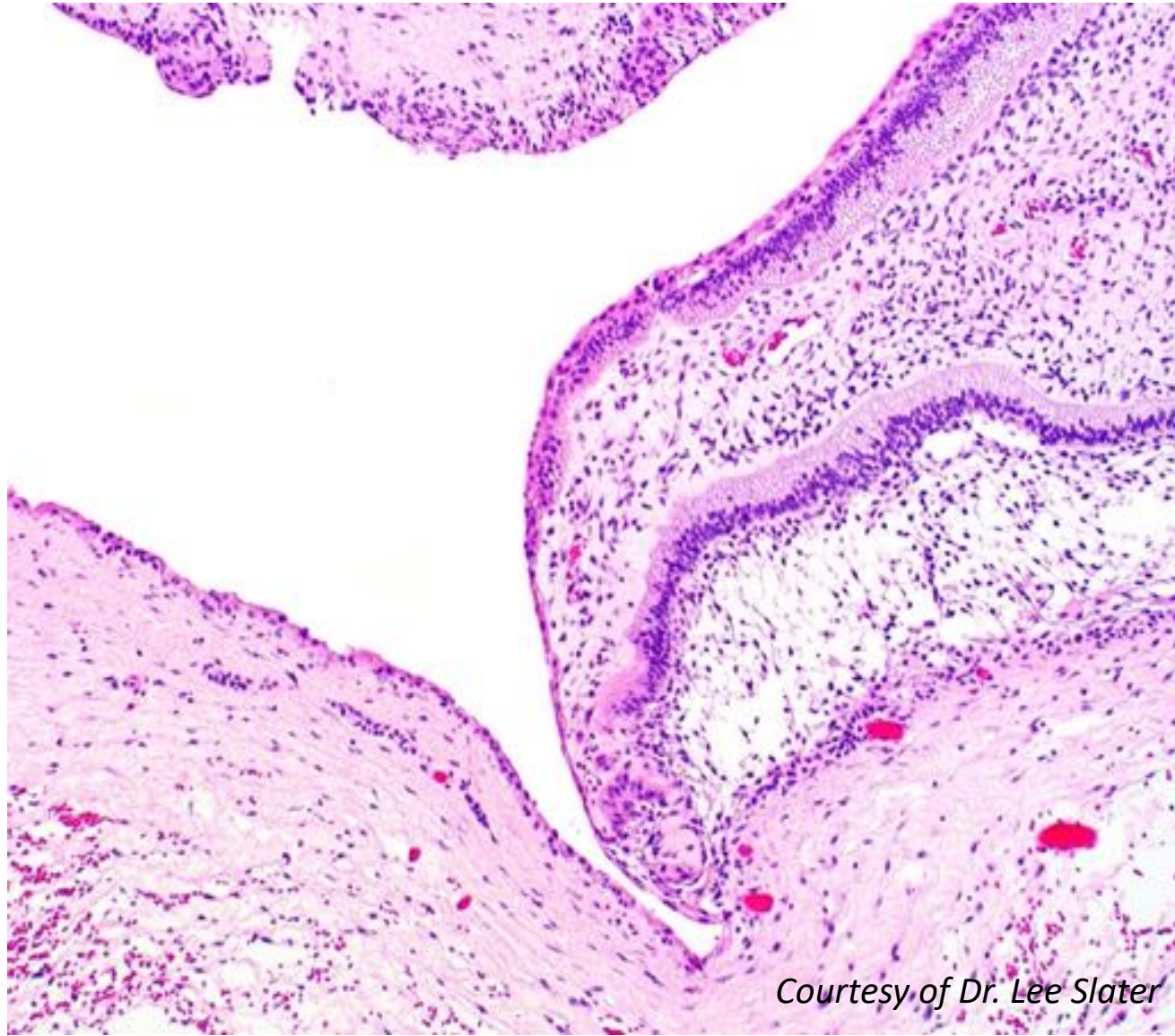


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Primordial odontogenic tumor

- Variably cellular loose fibrous connective tissue
- Areas similar to dental papilla
- Surrounded by cuboidal and columnar cells resembling the inner enamel epithelium





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Benign mesenchymal odontogenic tumors
(2022)

Odontogenic fibroma

Cementoblastoma (osteoblastoma)

Cemento-ossifying fibroma

Odontogenic myxoma

Benign mesenchymal odontogenic tumors
(2017)

Odontogenic fibroma

Odontogenic myxoma/myxofibroma

Cementoblastoma

Cemento-ossifying fibroma (benign fibro-osseous
lesions)

Malignant odontogenic tumors (2022)

Sclerosing odontogenic carcinoma

Ameloblastic carcinoma

Clear cell odontogenic carcinoma

Ghost cell odontogenic carcinoma

Primary intraosseous carcinoma, NOS

Odontogenic carcinosarcoma

Odontogenic sarcomas

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Primary intraosseous SCC- solid

Primary intraosseous SCC- from KCOT

Primary intraosseous SCC- from odontogenic cyst

Sclerosing Odontogenic Carcinoma

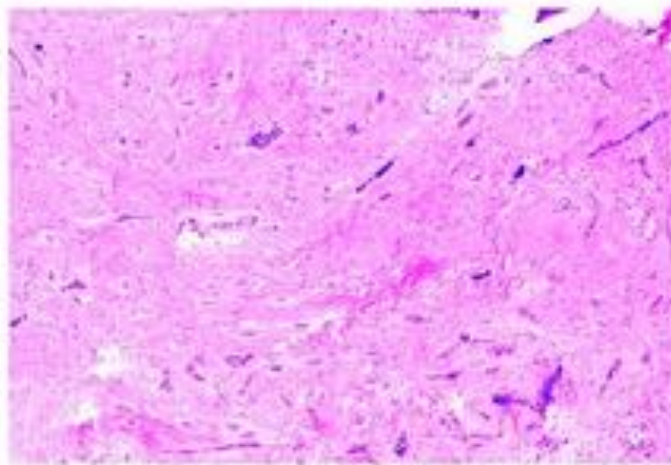


FIGURE 4. Prominent sclerosis with few scattered neoplastic nests (patient 3). *(H&E)*

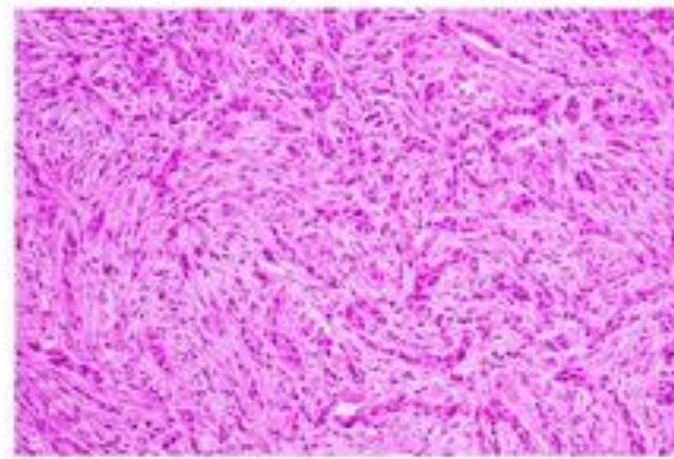
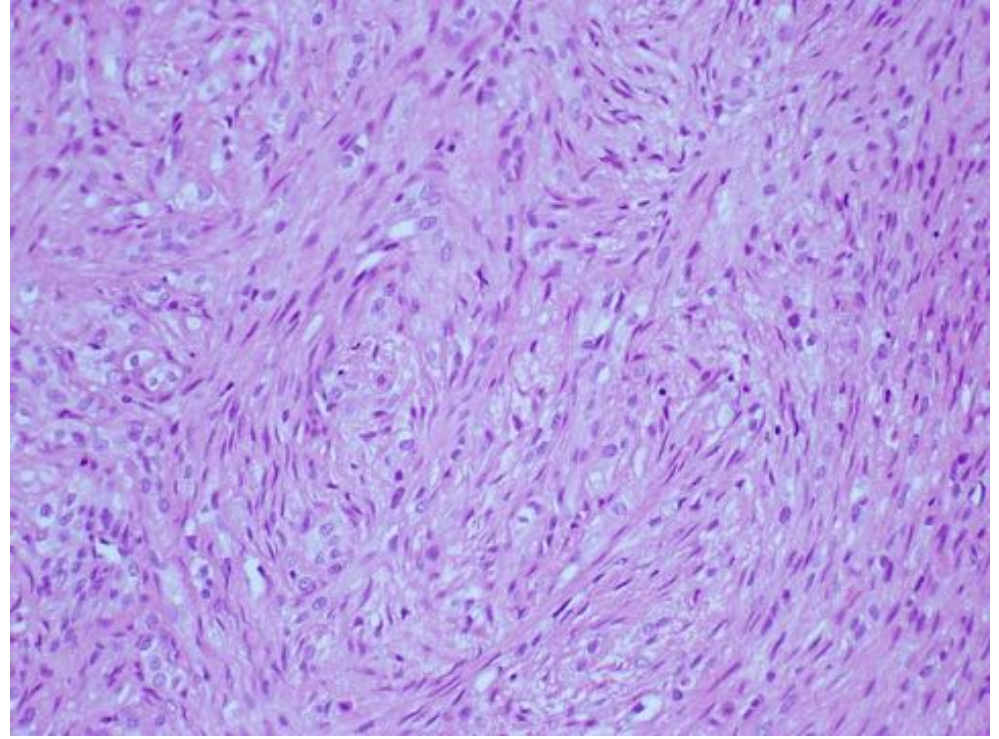
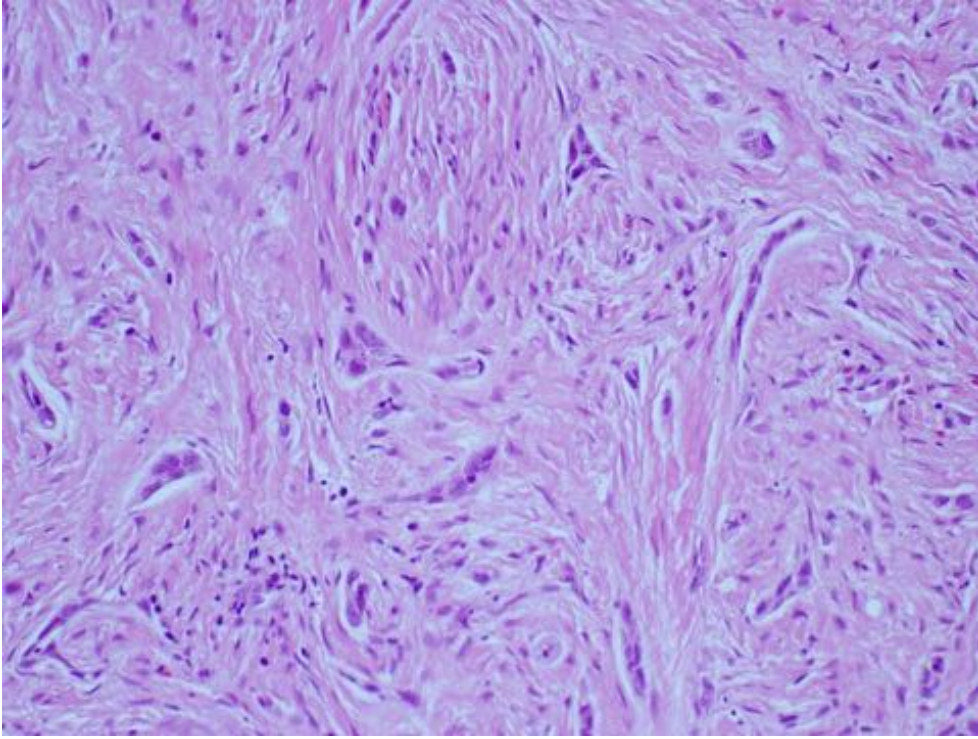
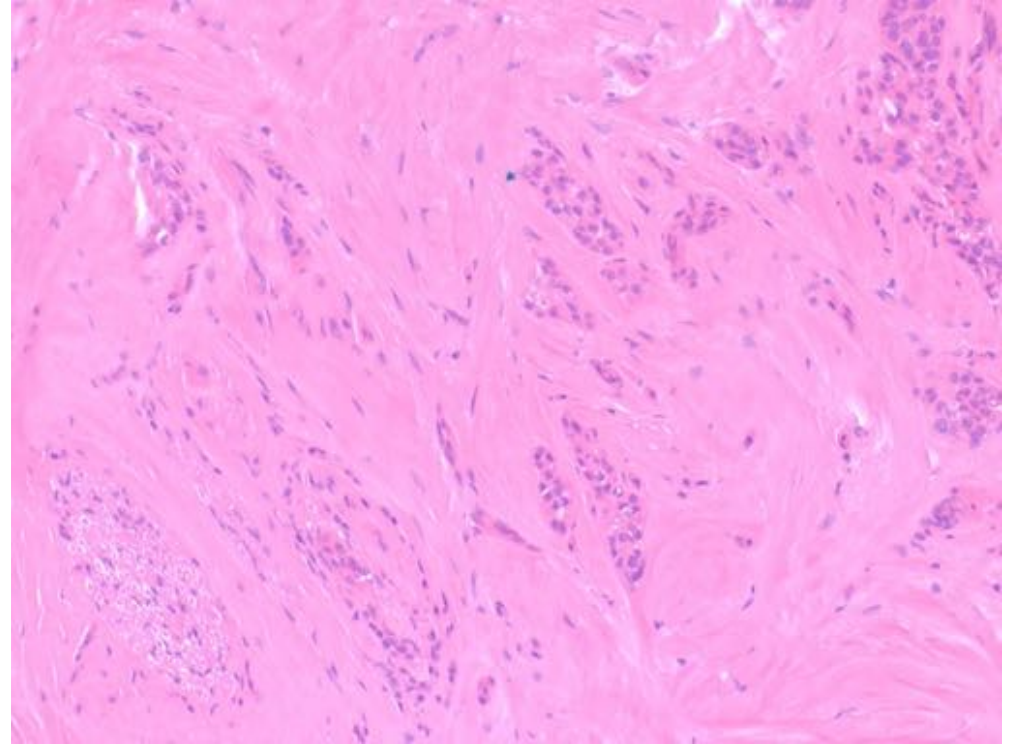
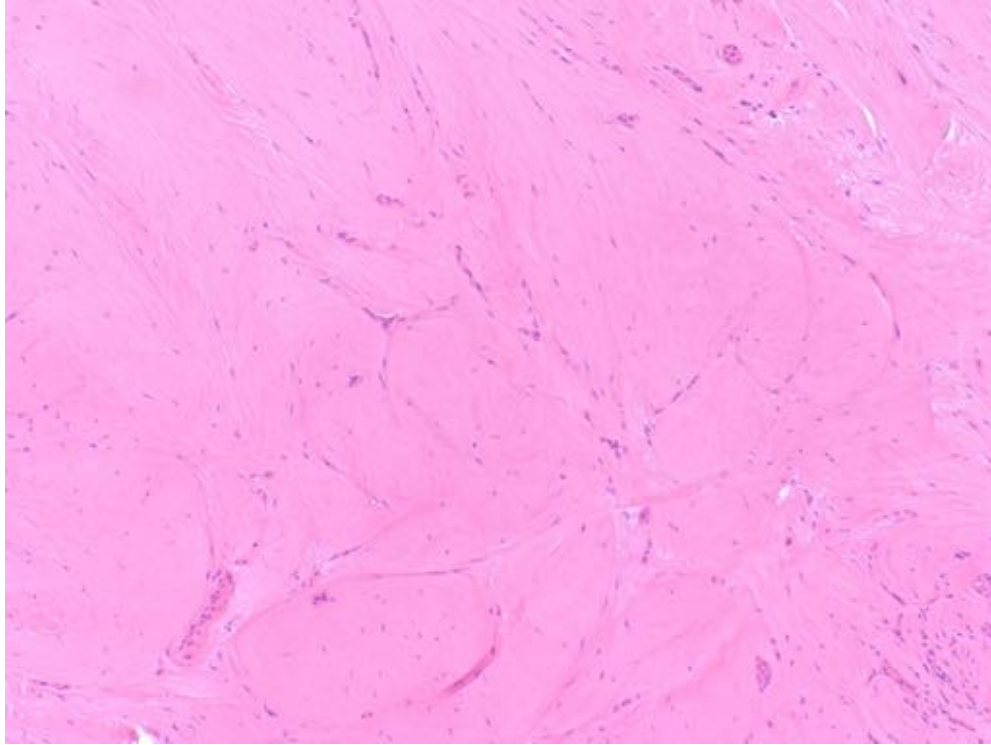
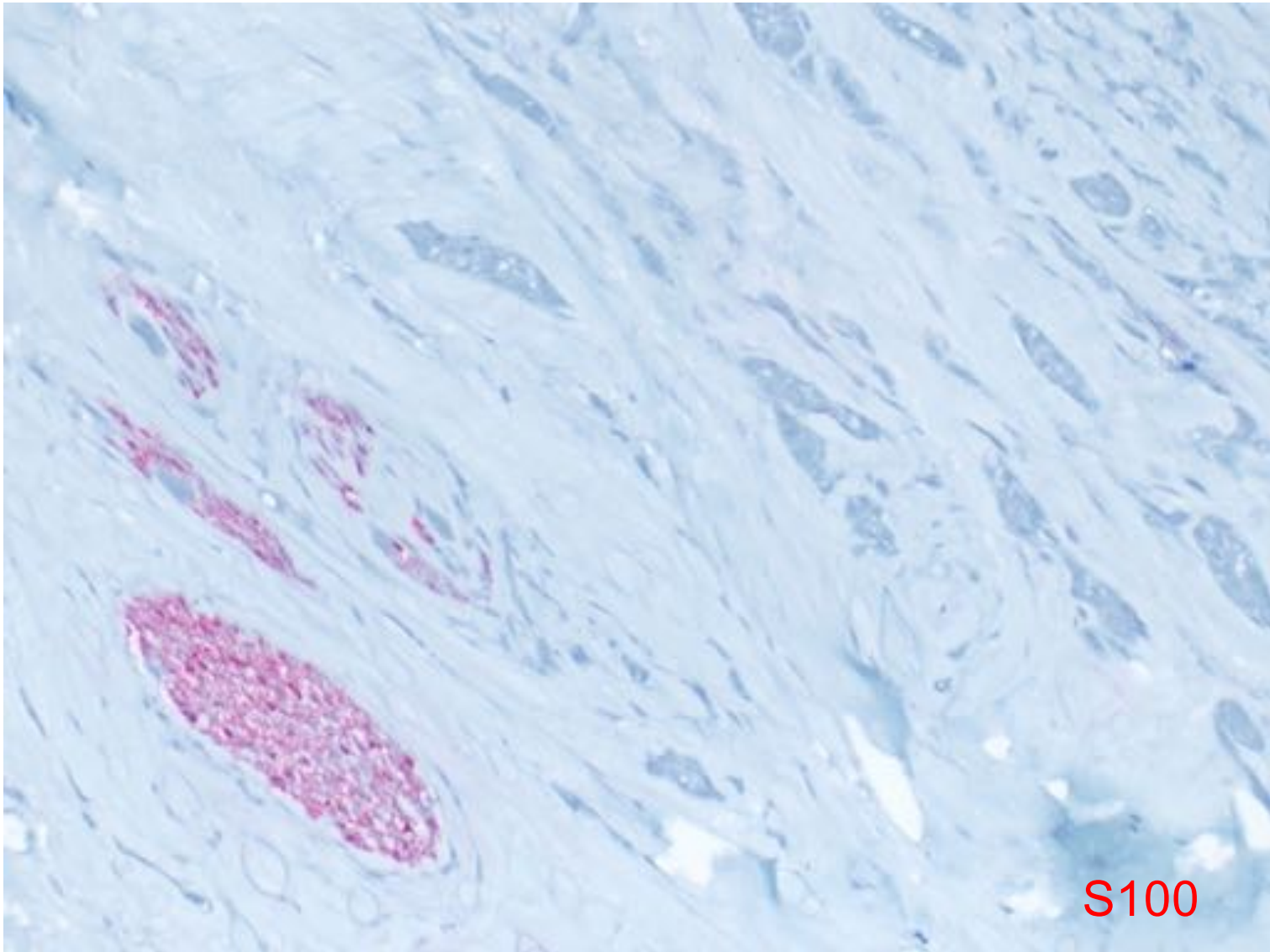


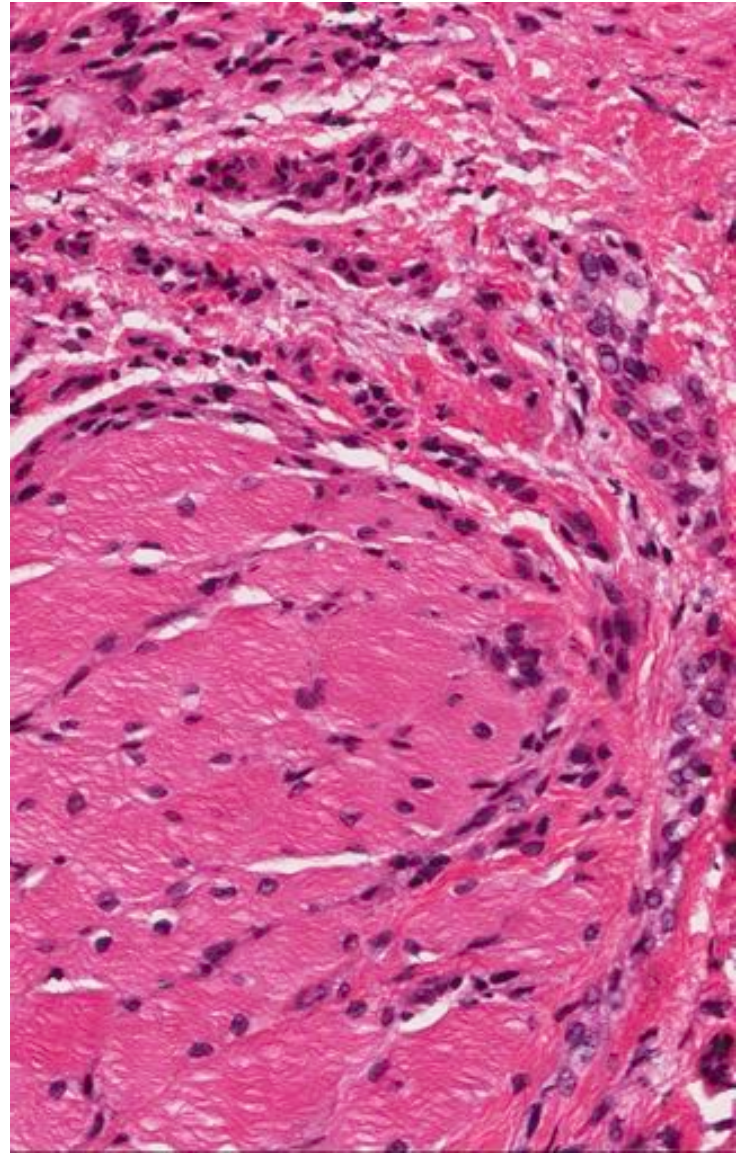
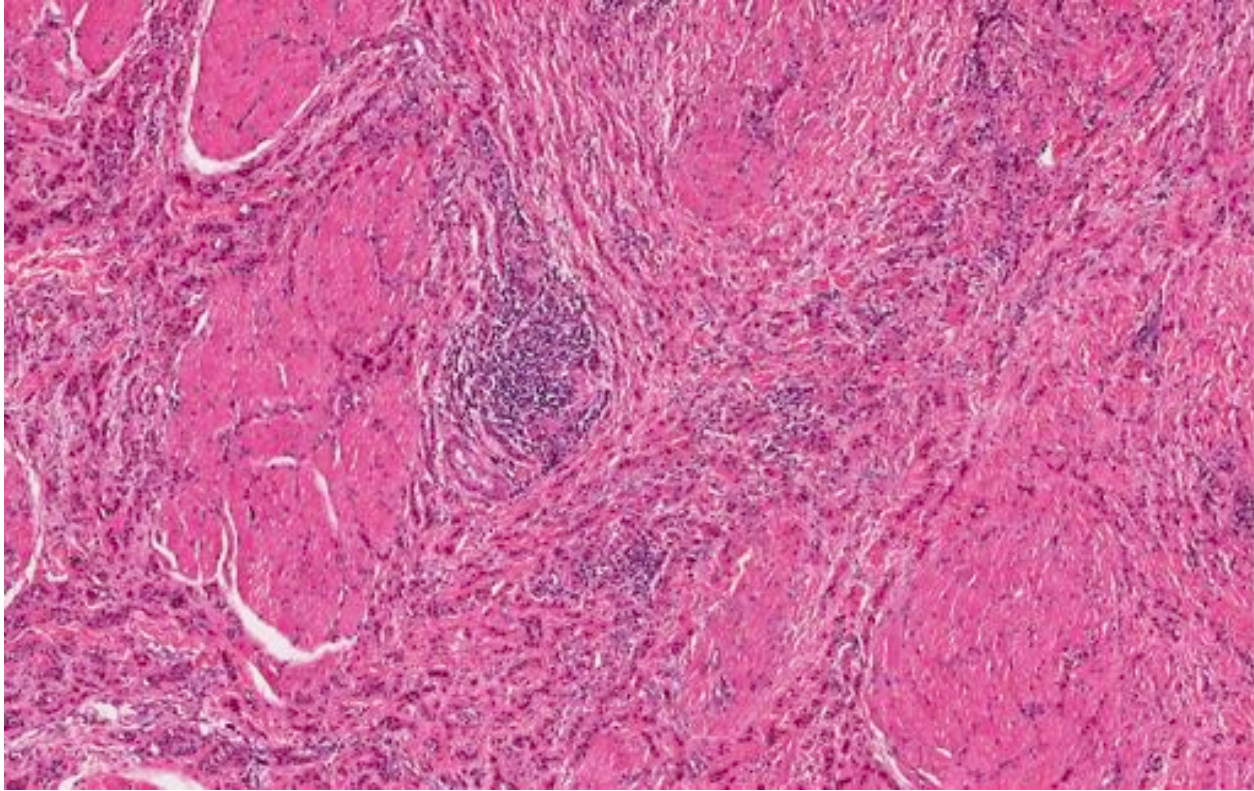
FIGURE 6. Infiltrating cords of neoplastic epithelial cells show some of them exhibiting mild pleomorphism and nuclear hyperchromatism. Mitotic activity was extremely rare. *(H&E)*

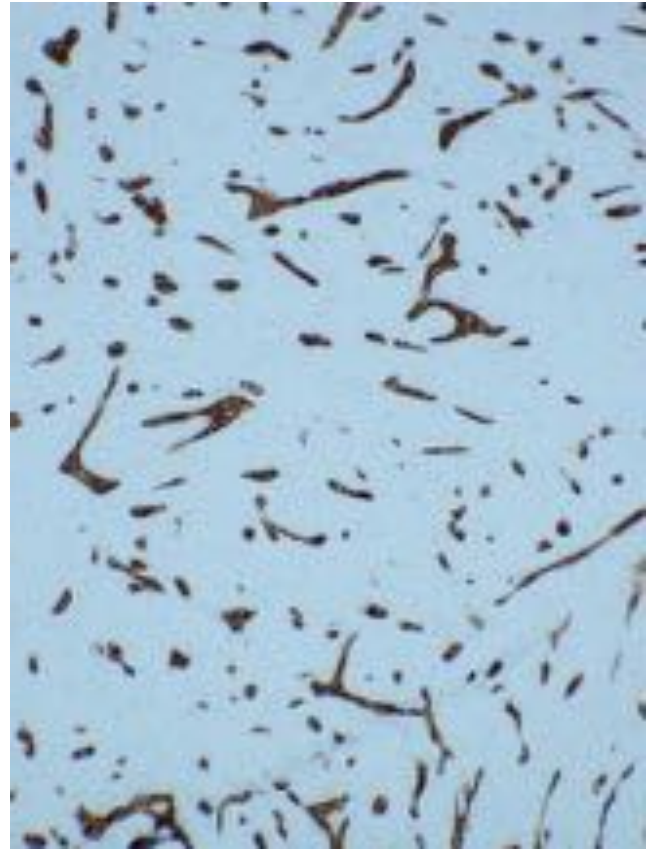
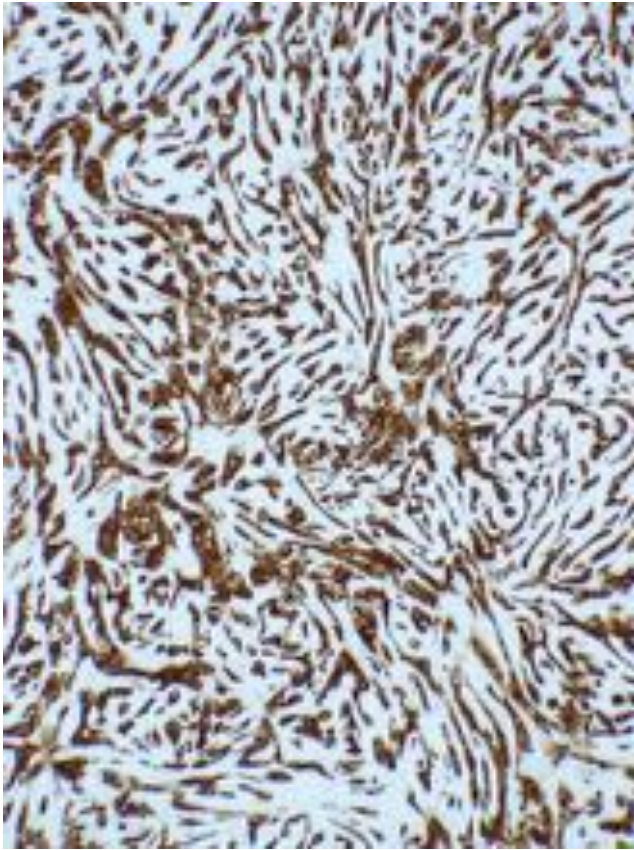
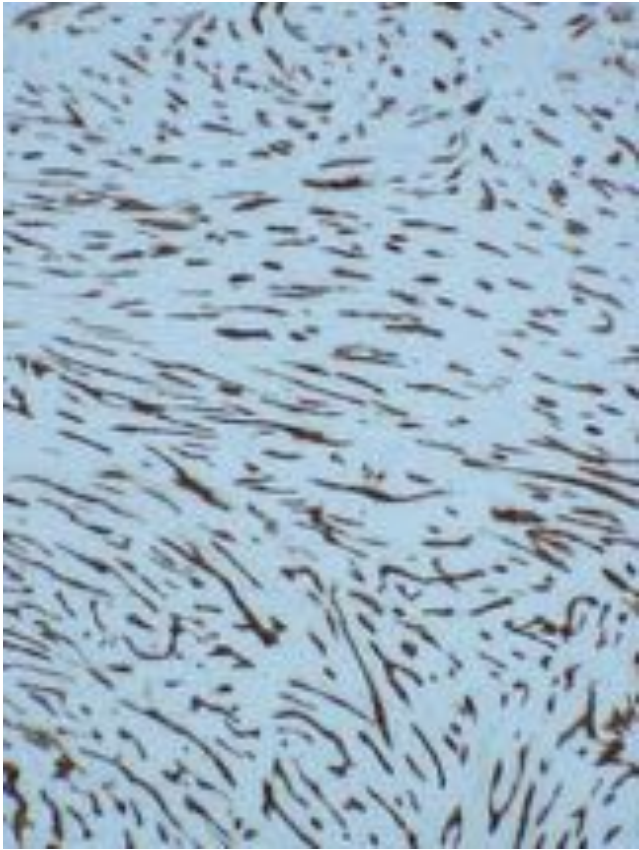




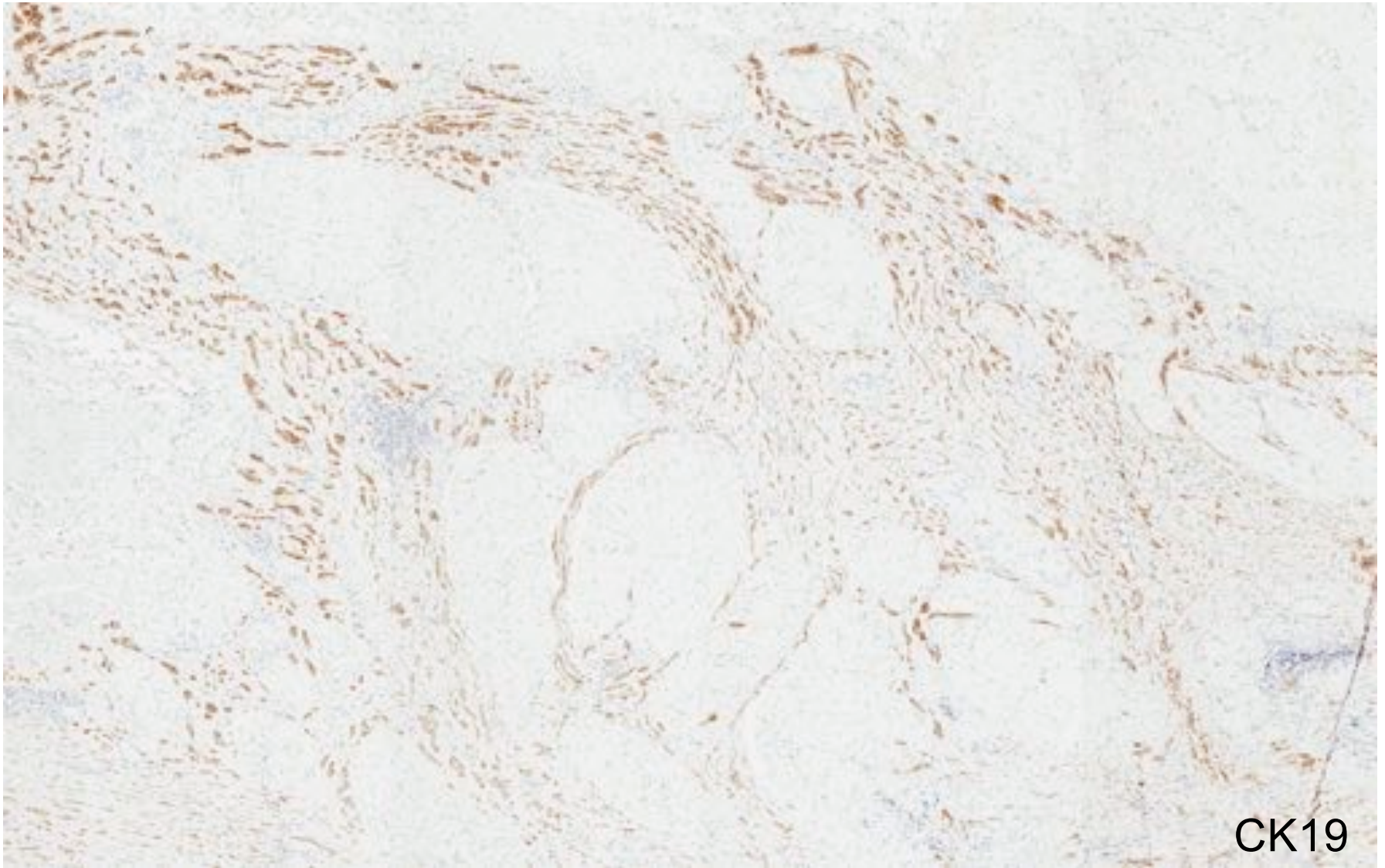


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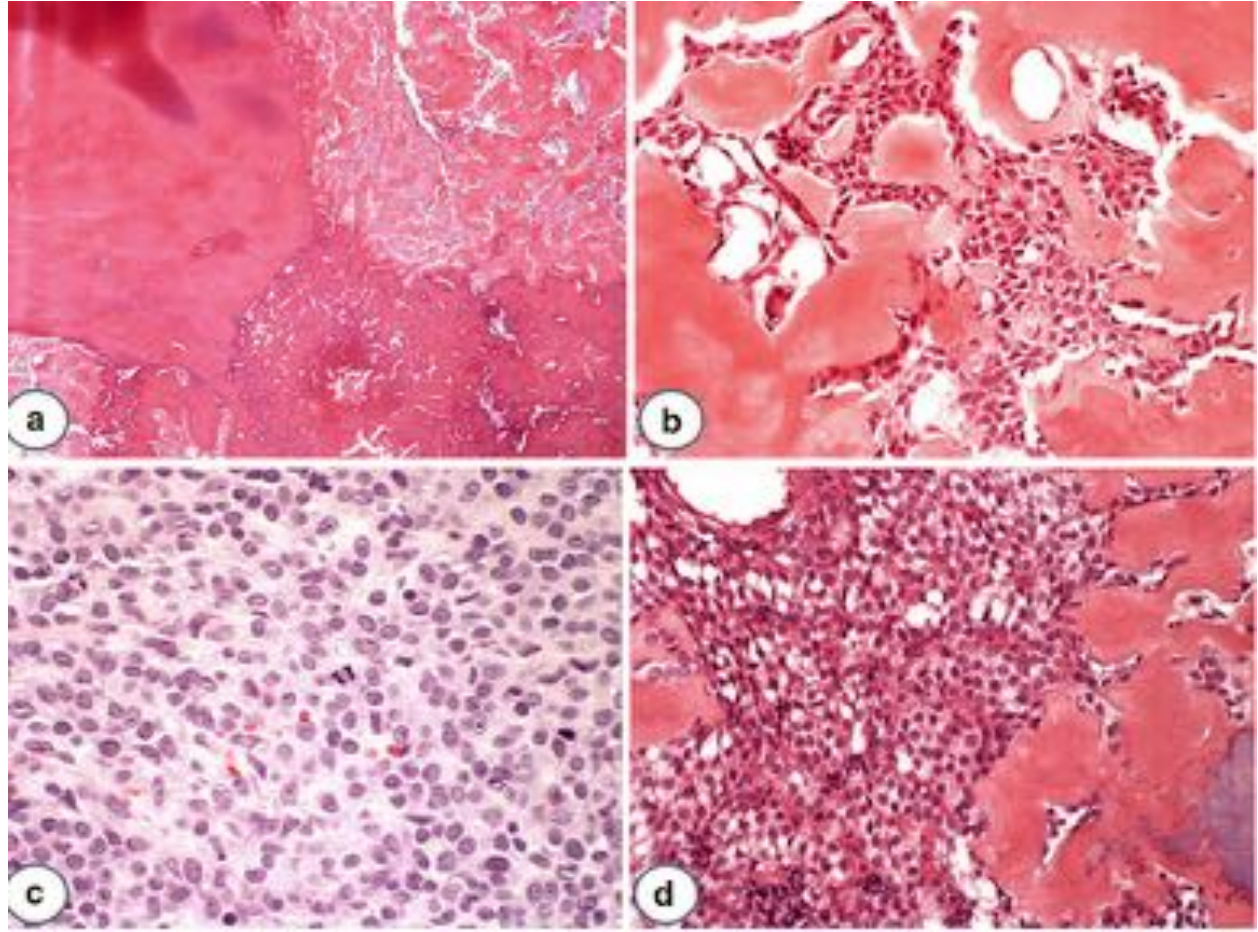
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My opinion

- Diagnosis of exclusion ?
- Difficult diagnosis, even impossible with small (incisional) biopsy
- Well documented infiltration of nerves and skeletal muscle
- Tumor vs. carcinoma
- What should you tell to the surgeon ?
- Does it belong to the new classification ?

Odontogenic Carcinoma with Dentinoid

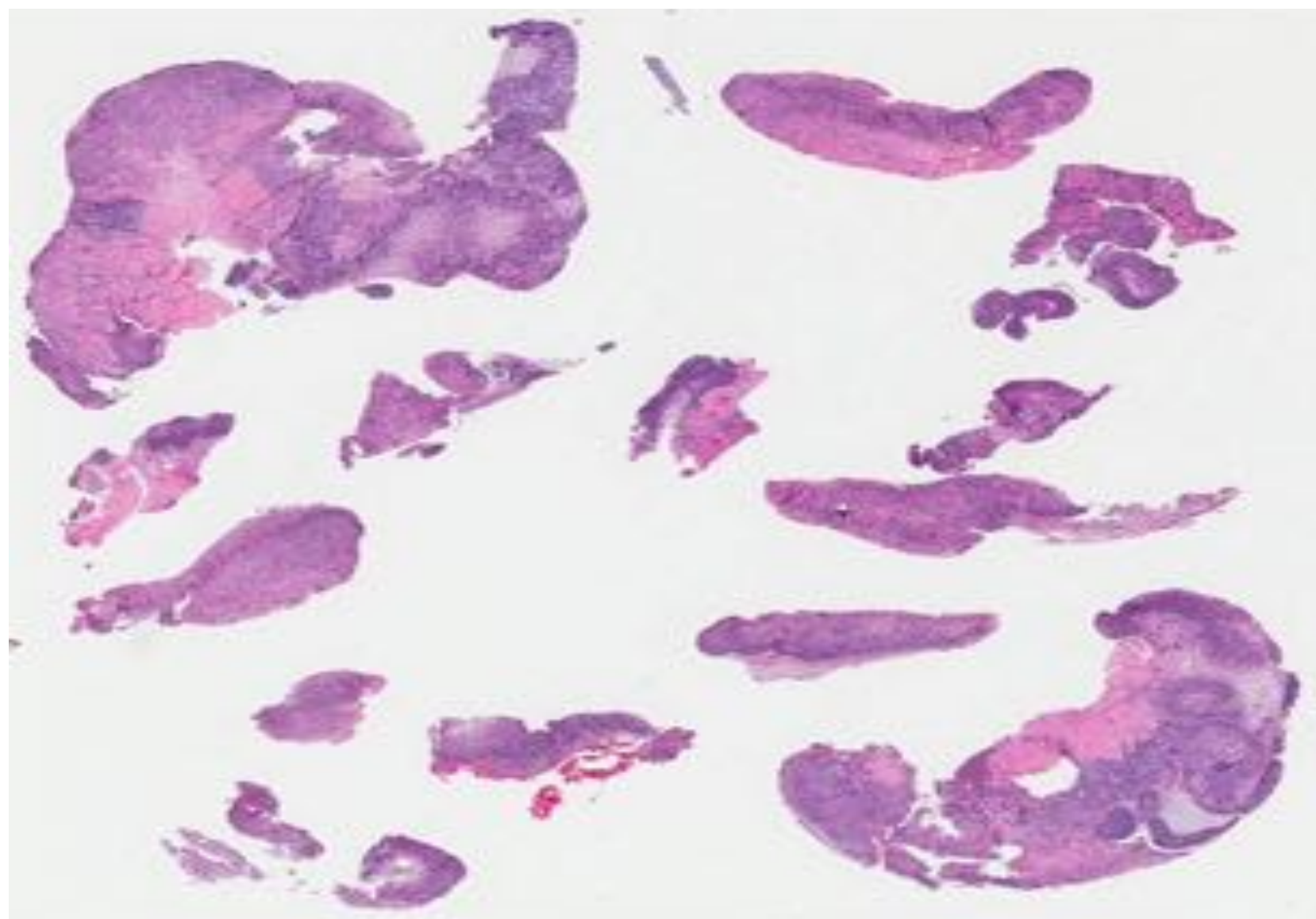
- 9 reported examples
- Spectrum of histopathological features composed predominantly of clear cells with variable amounts of small round to basaloid cells with more accentuated pleomorphism.
- In some cases, there may be duct-like or pseudocystic structures, peripheral columnar cells with evidence of palisading and, as described in one case, scattered ghost cells
 - vs. adenoid ameloblastoma
- 2mand:max
- 5M:4F

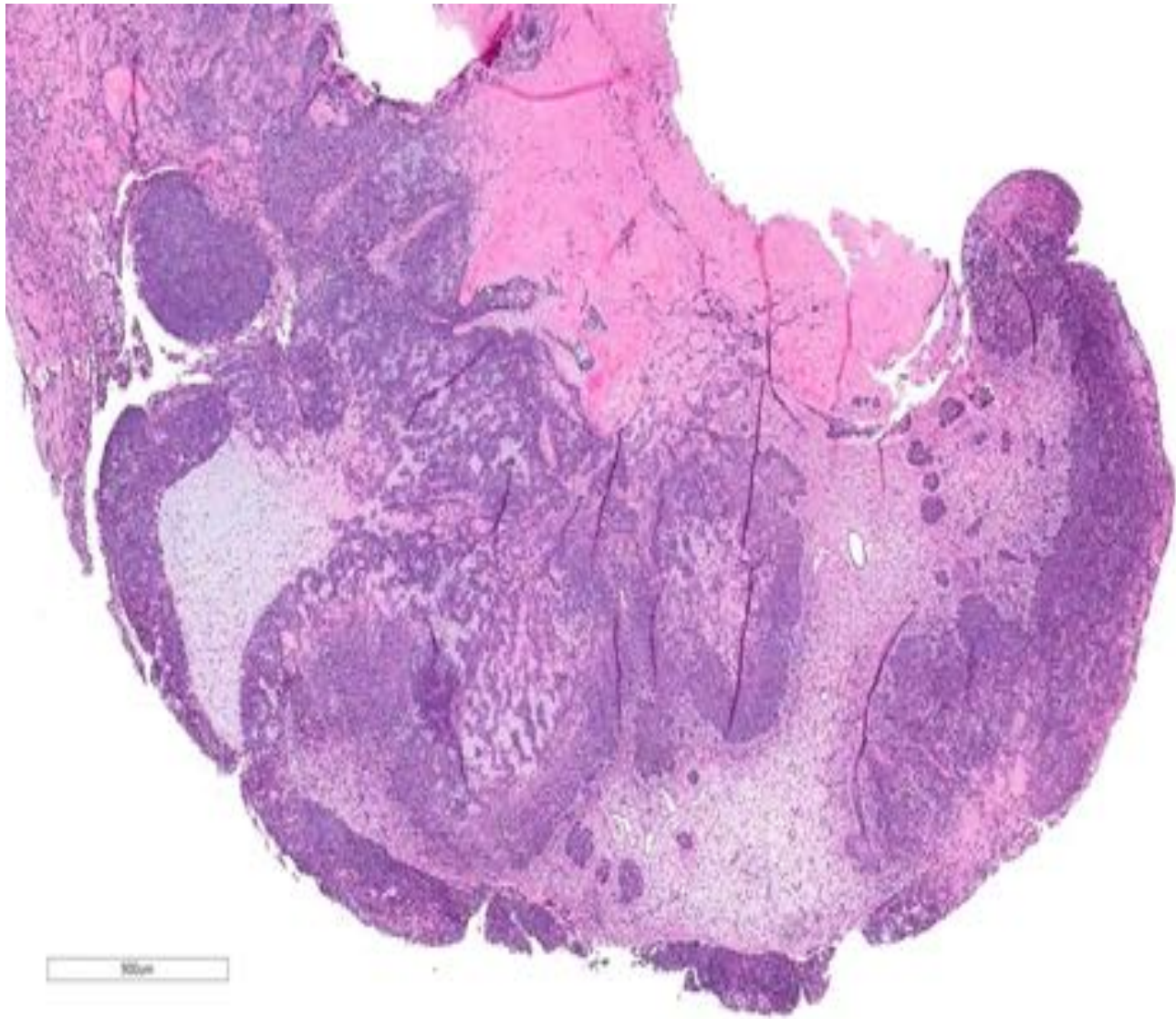


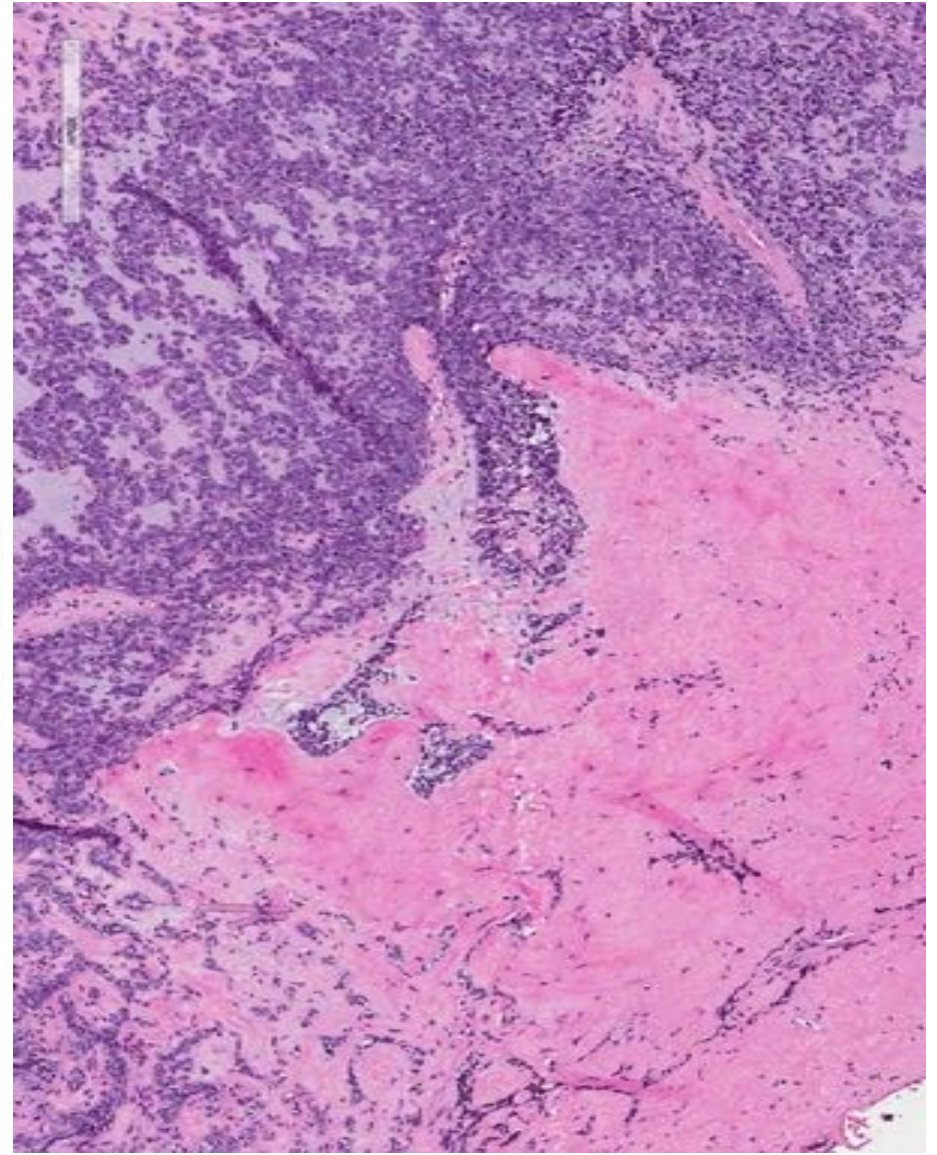
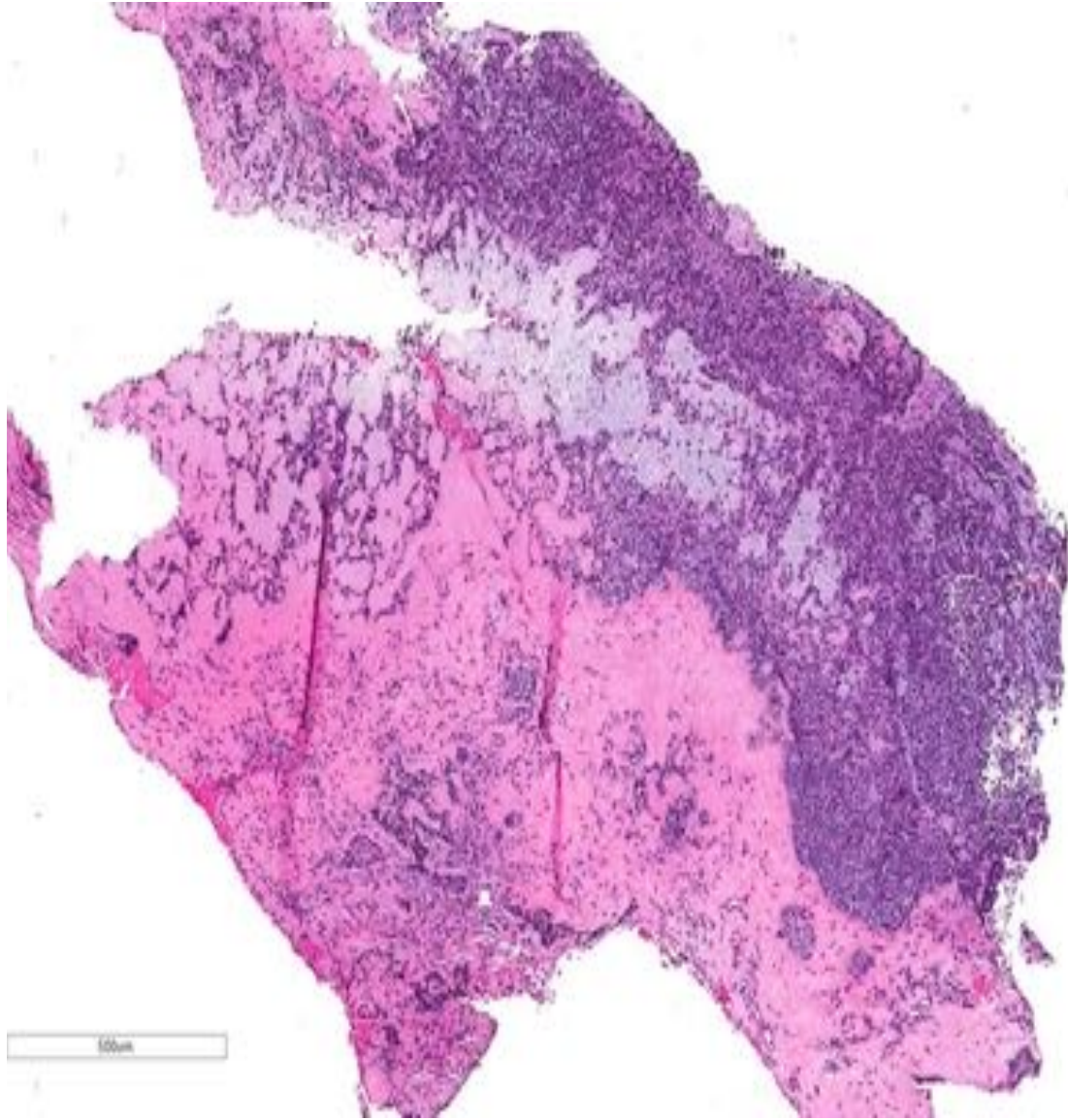
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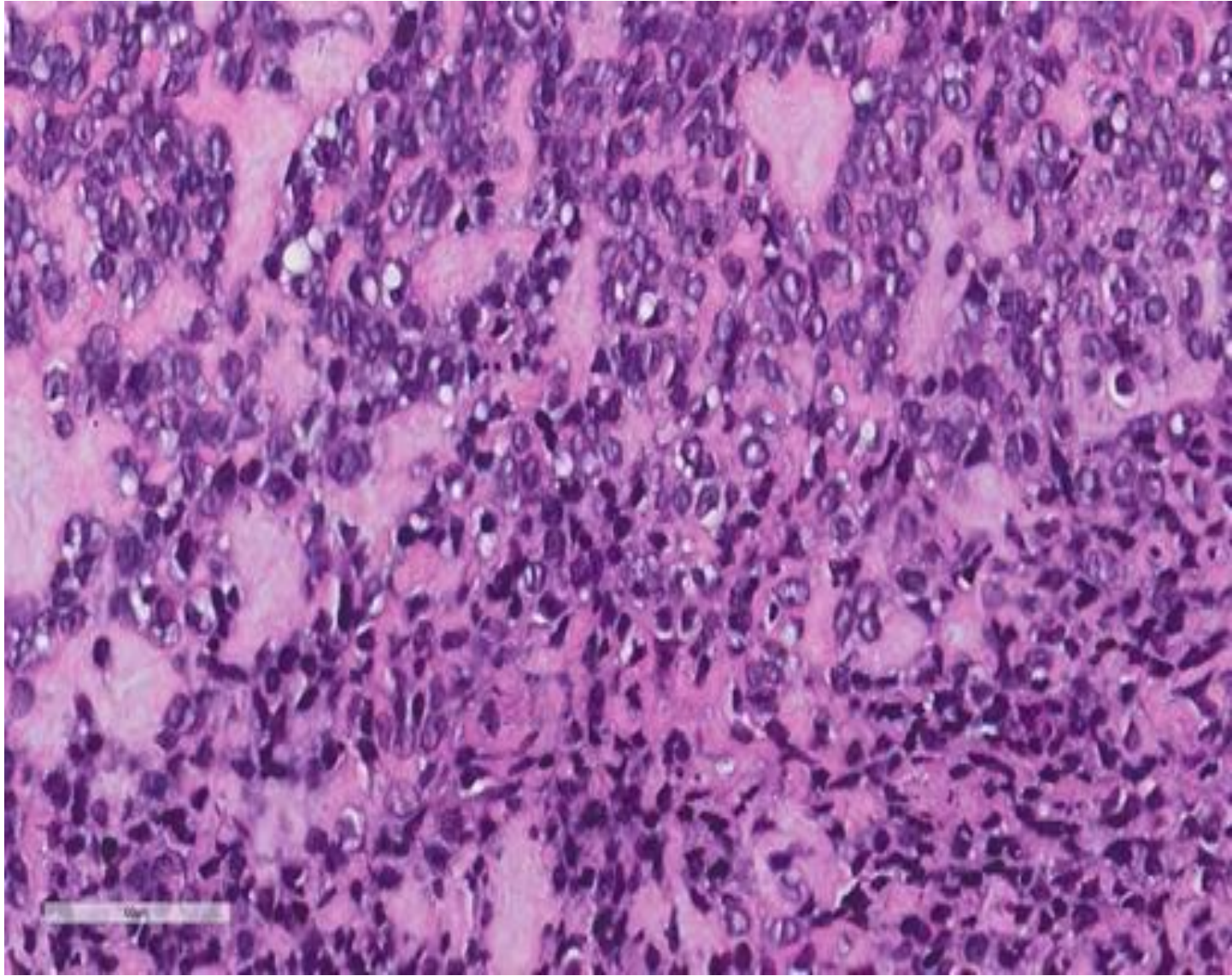
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Clinical diagnosis: periapical cyst

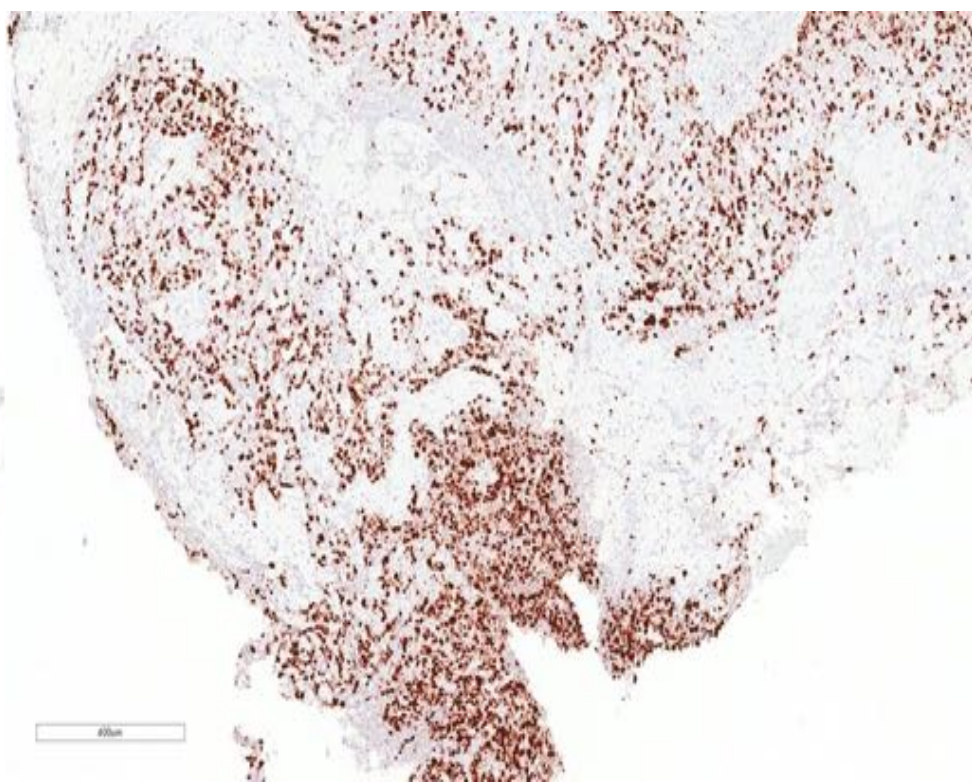








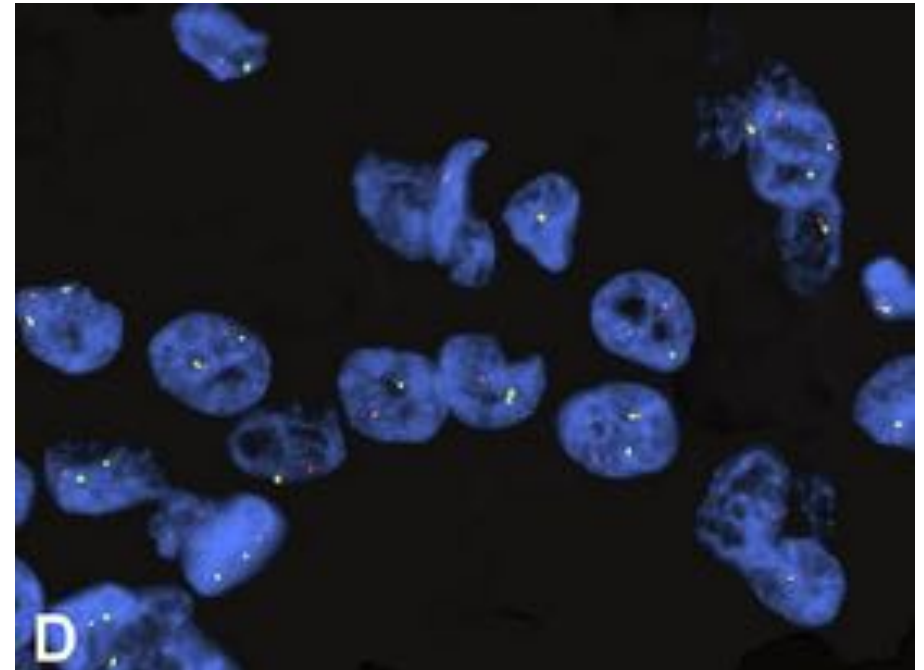
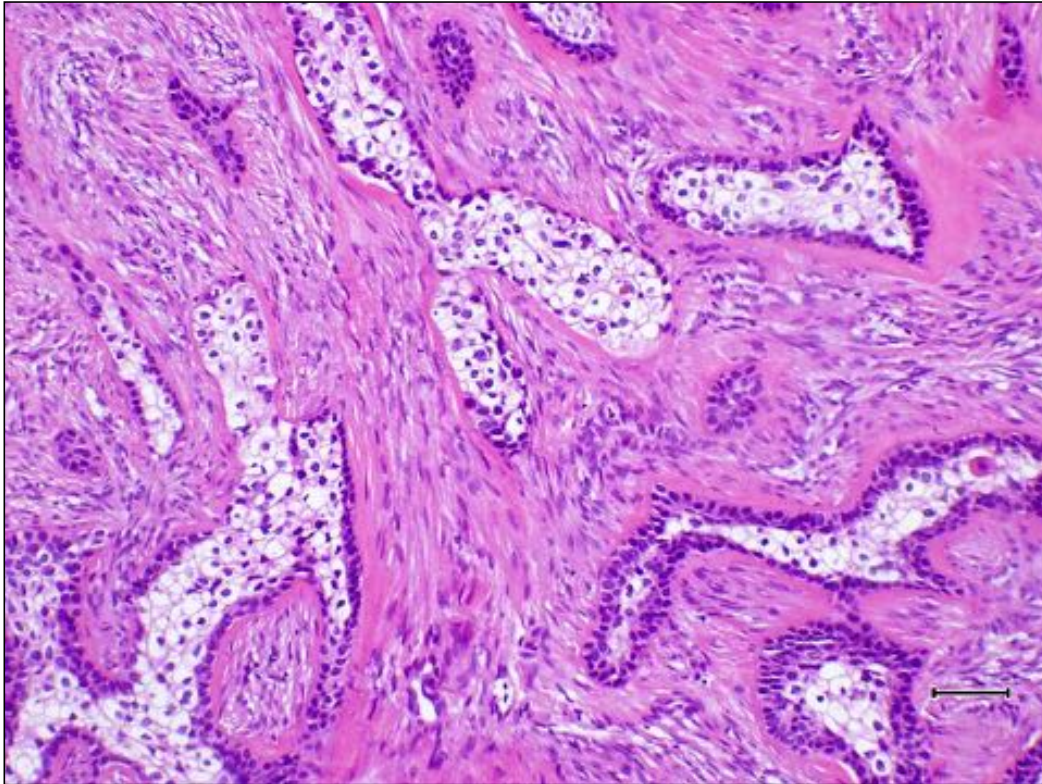




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Odontogenic Carcinoma with Dentinoid

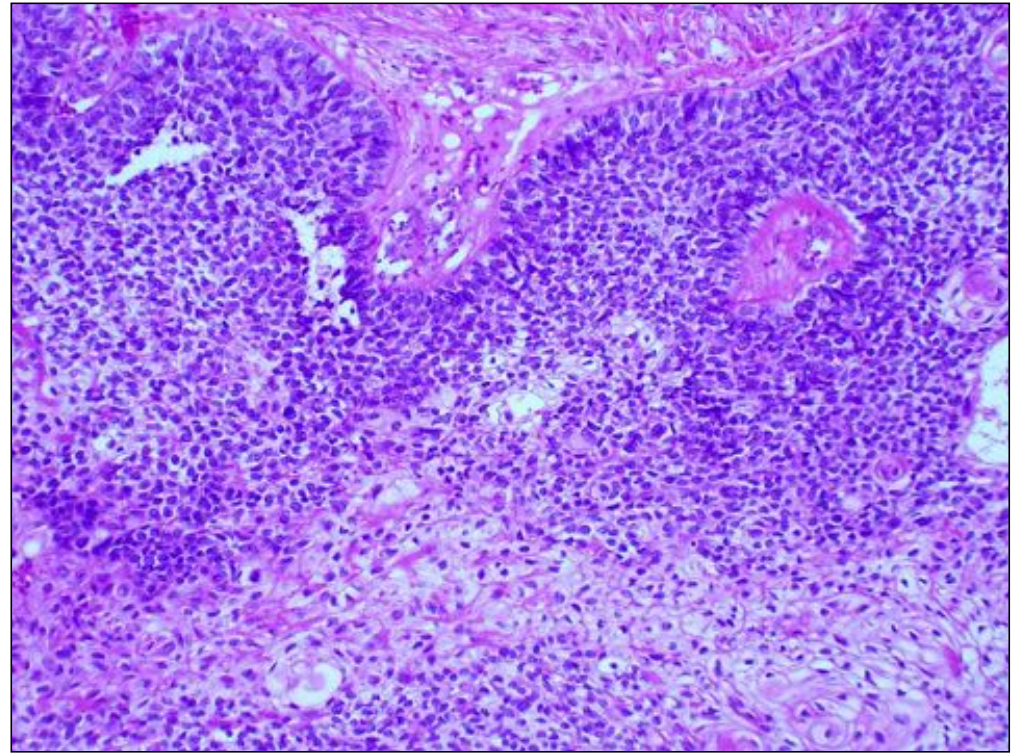
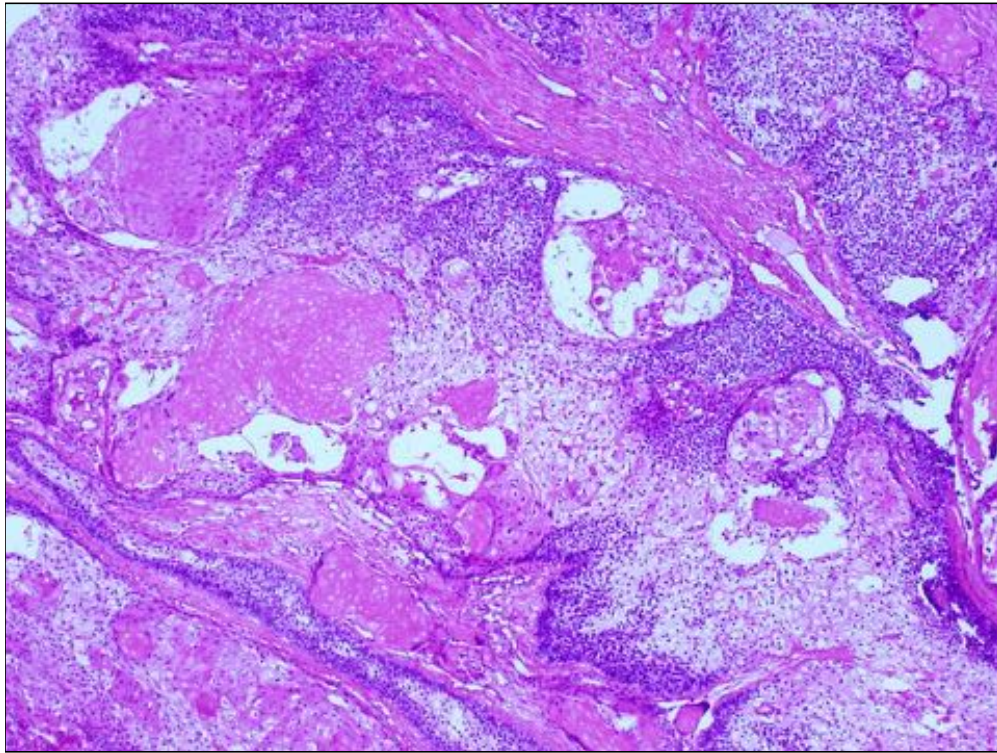
Clear cell odontogenic carcinoma



EWSR1 and *ATF1* rearrangements

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Ghost cell odontogenic carcinoma



Thank you