

SPINDLE CELL LESIONS OF BREAST

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Hamartoma (Adenolipoma, Chondrolipoma, and Myoid Hamartoma)

Benign Vascular Lesions

Perilobular Hemangioma
Hemangioma
Angiolipoma
Angiomatosis, Papillary Endothelial Hyperplasia

Malignant Vascular Tumors

Primary Angiosarcoma
Secondary (Postradiation) Angiosarcoma
Postradiation Vascular Lesions
Lymphedema-Associated Angiosarcoma (Stewart-Treves Syndrome)

Myofibroblastic Proliferations

Pseudoangiomatous Stromal Hyperplasia
Myfibroblastoma
Myfibroblastic Sarcoma

Leiomyomatous Lesions

Leiomyoma, Leiomyosarcoma, Liposarcoma

Approach to Spindle Cell Lesions of Breast

THE HOLY MANTRA

- Rule out spindle cell (metaplastic) carcinoma
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An Algorithmic Approach to Spindle Cell Lesions of the Breast

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- (1) Composition of the cellular proliferation;
- (2) Presence of cytomorphologic atypia
- (3) Growth pattern: tumor border characteristics
- (4) Mitotic activity
- (5) Adjacent or admixed cells and/or tissue;
- (5) Clinico-radiologic features

MONOPHASIC LESIONS WITH PURE PLEOMORPHIC SPINDLE CELL ONLY

- monophasic type of metaplastic carcinoma
- sarcomas like malignant fibrous histiocytoma (MFH), angiosarcoma, and other high grade sarcomas

MONOPHASIC LESIONS WITH PURE BLAND SPINDLE CELLS ONLY

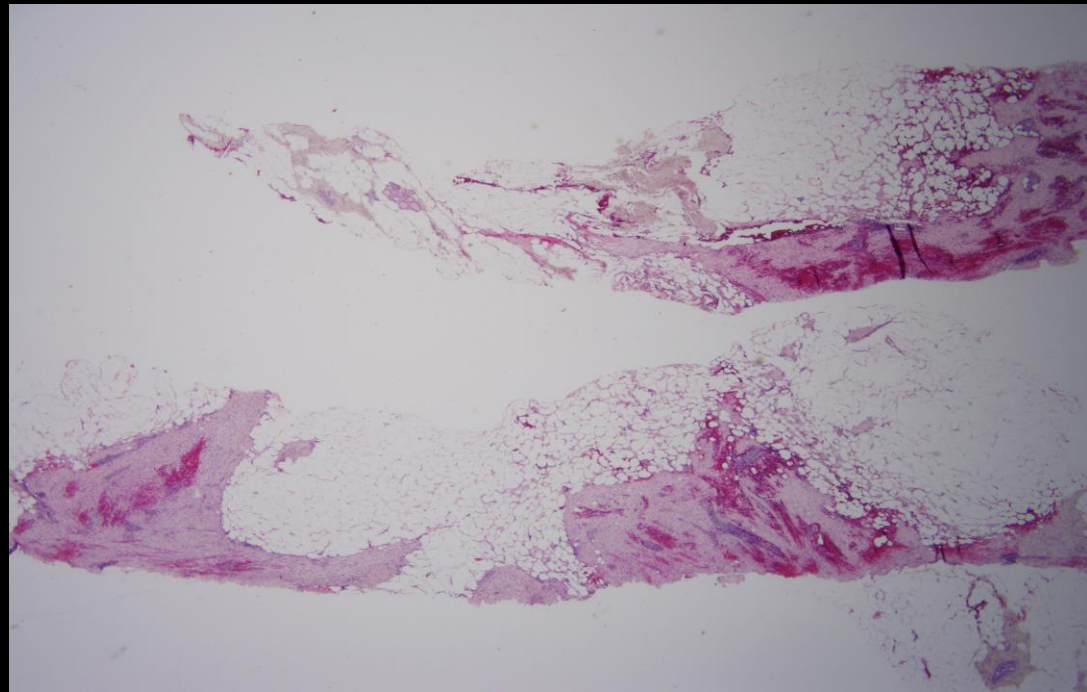
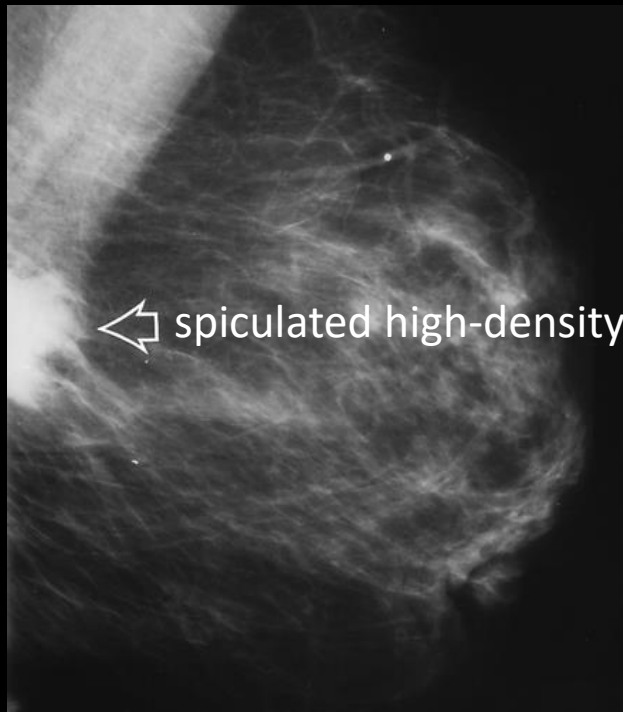
- Fibromatosis
- fibromatosis like metaplastic carcinoma
- dermatofibrosarcoma protuberance (DFSP).

FIBROMATOSIS

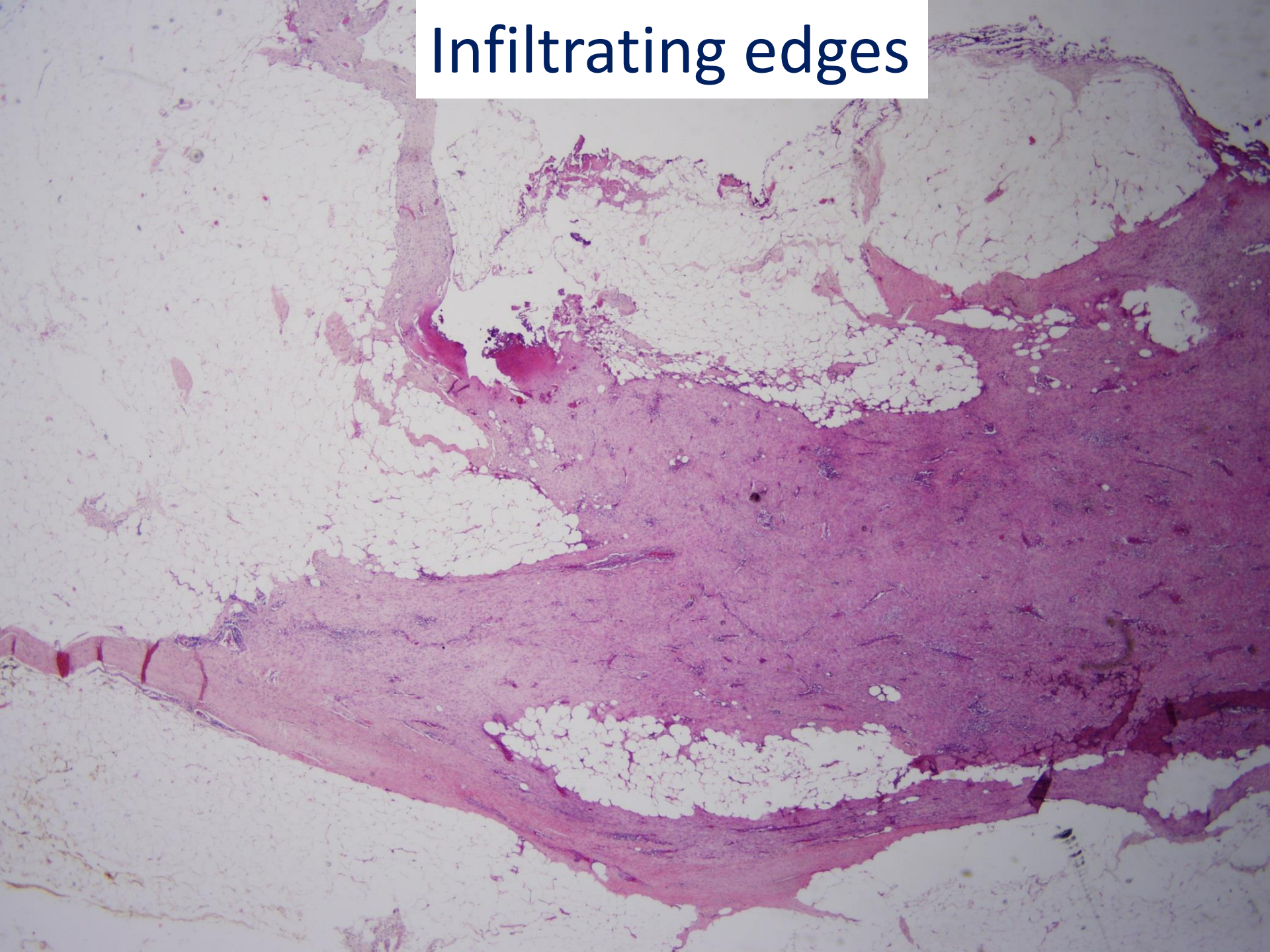
- LESS THAN 0.2% OF ALL PRIMARY BREAST LESIONS
- LOCALLY AGGRESSIVE BENIGN MESENCHYMAL NEOPLASM
- YOUNG WOMEN, 45 YEARS (30-60 YEARS)
- TRAUMA, SURGERY, IMPLANTS, GARDNER SYNDROME
- **CLINICALLY AND RADIOLOGICALLY SUSPICIOUS FOR MALIGNANCY**
- **POSITIVE MARGINS AND LOCAL RECURRENCE**

GROSS EXAMINATION

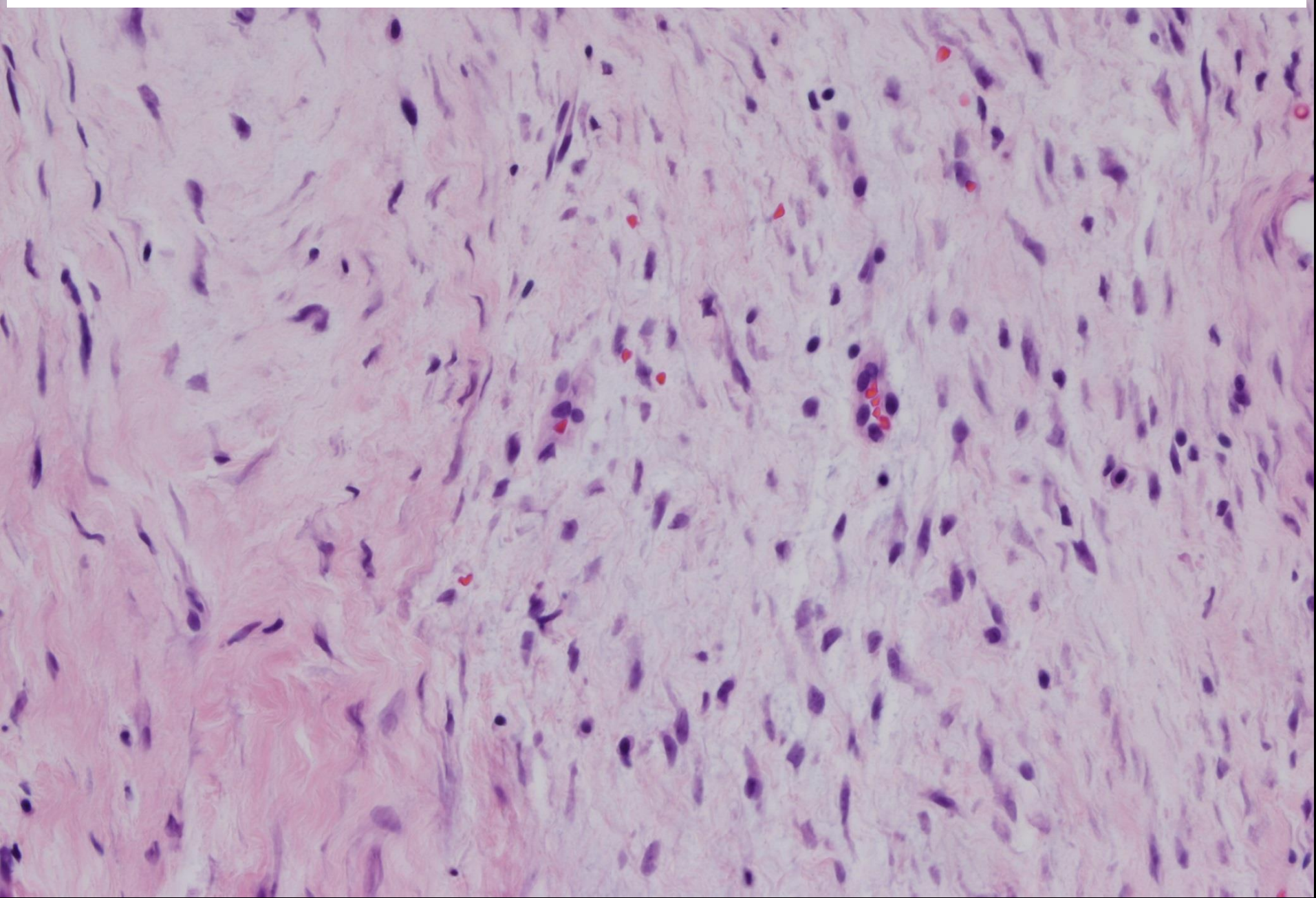
- FIRM, ILL-DEFINED, STELLATE EDGES
- 2-3 CM SIZE



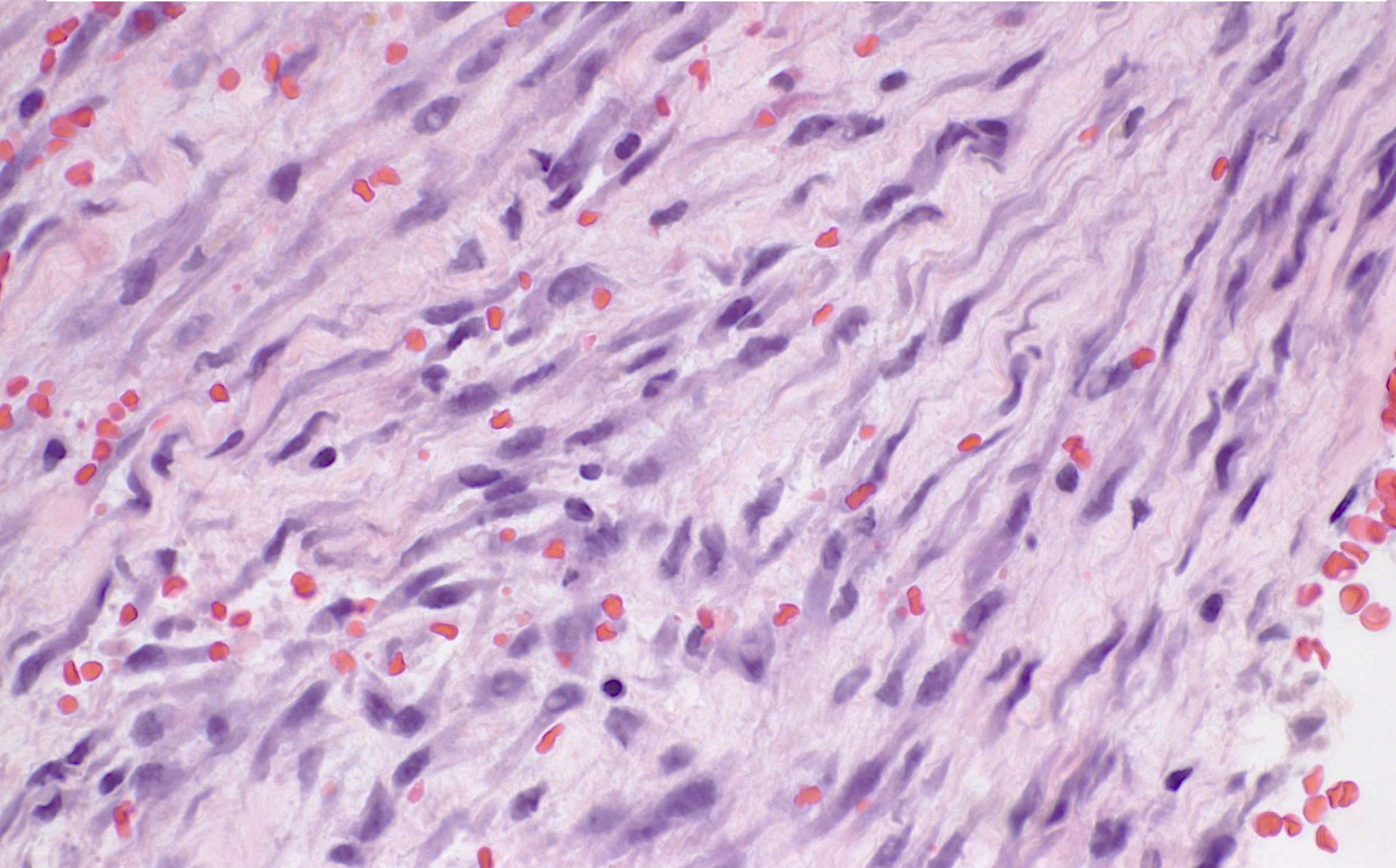
Infiltrating edges



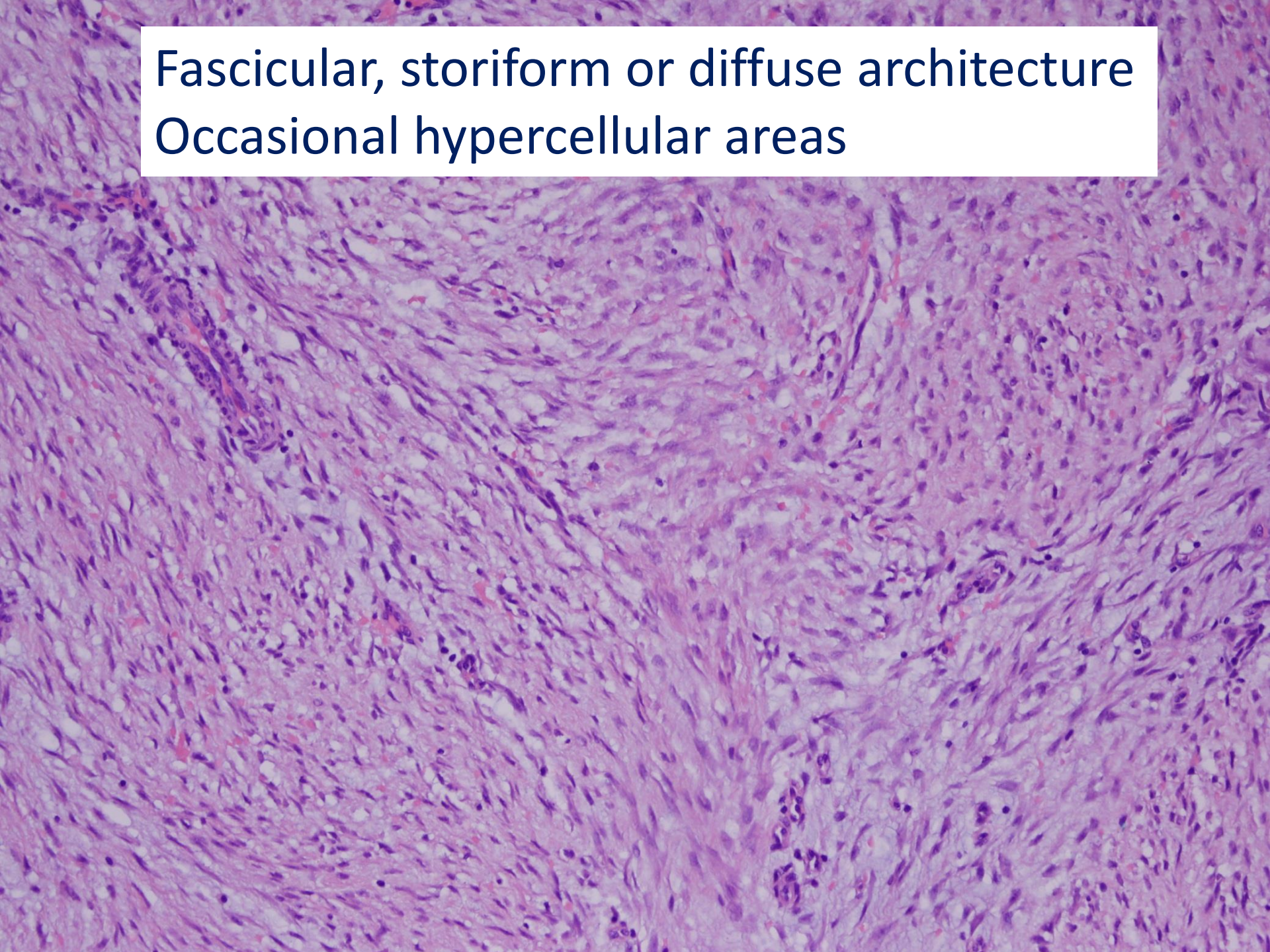
Myxoid appearance, low cellularity, low mitoses, no necrosis



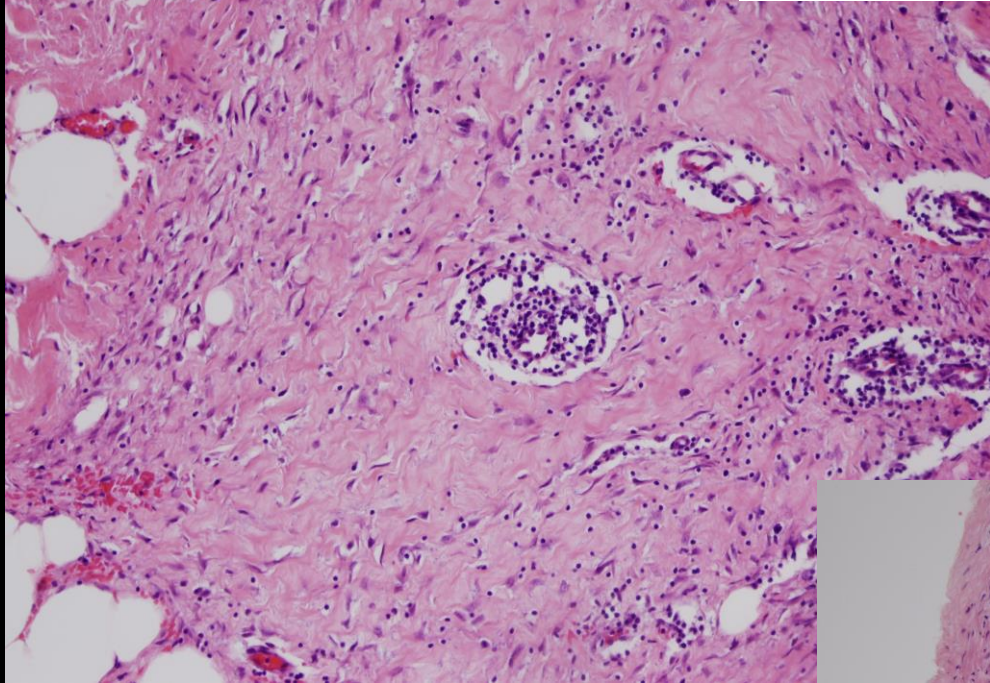
Bland spindle cells with tapering nuclei, little pink cytoplasm and collagenous stroma



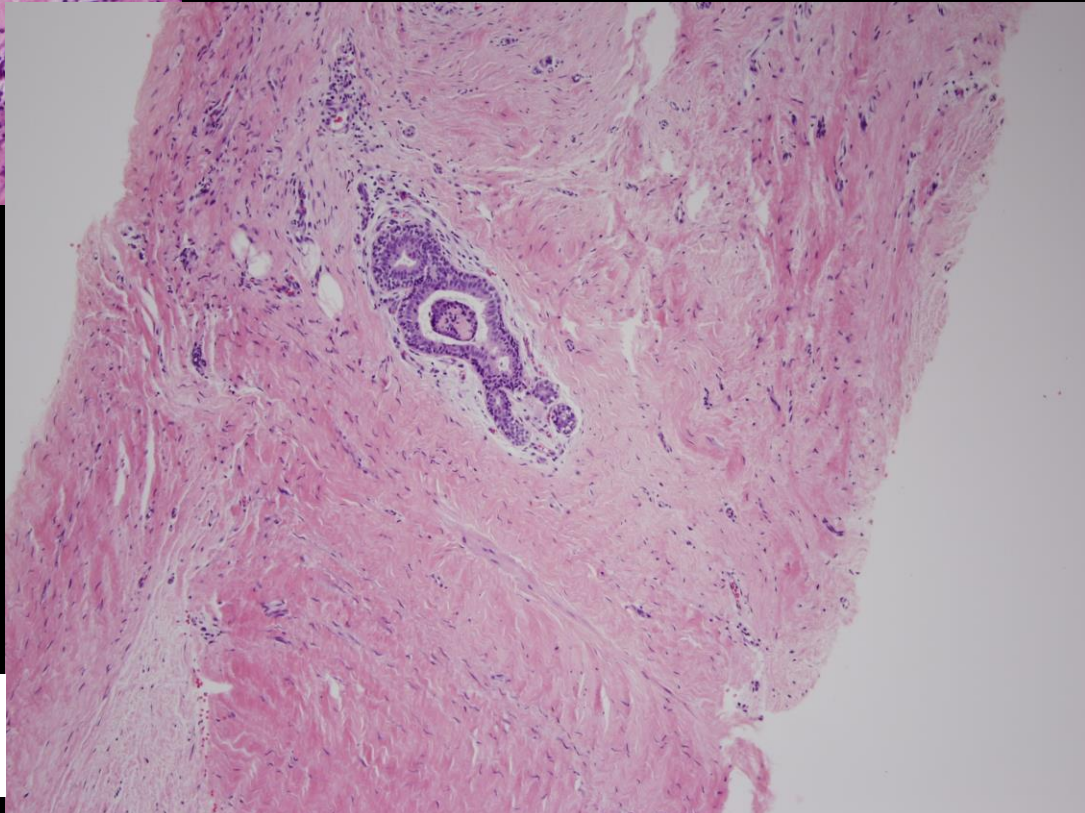
Fascicular, storiform or diffuse architecture
Occasional hypercellular areas



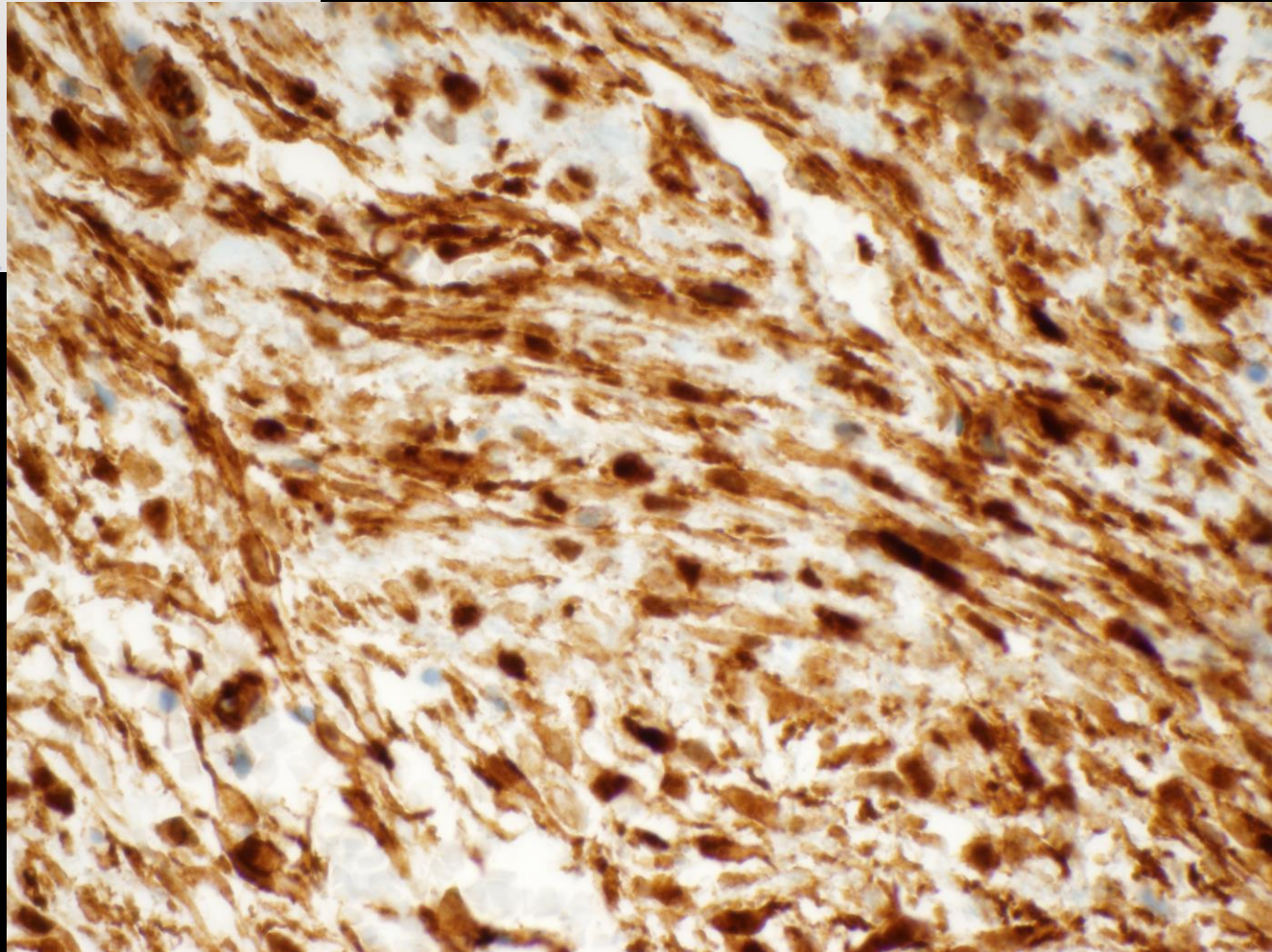
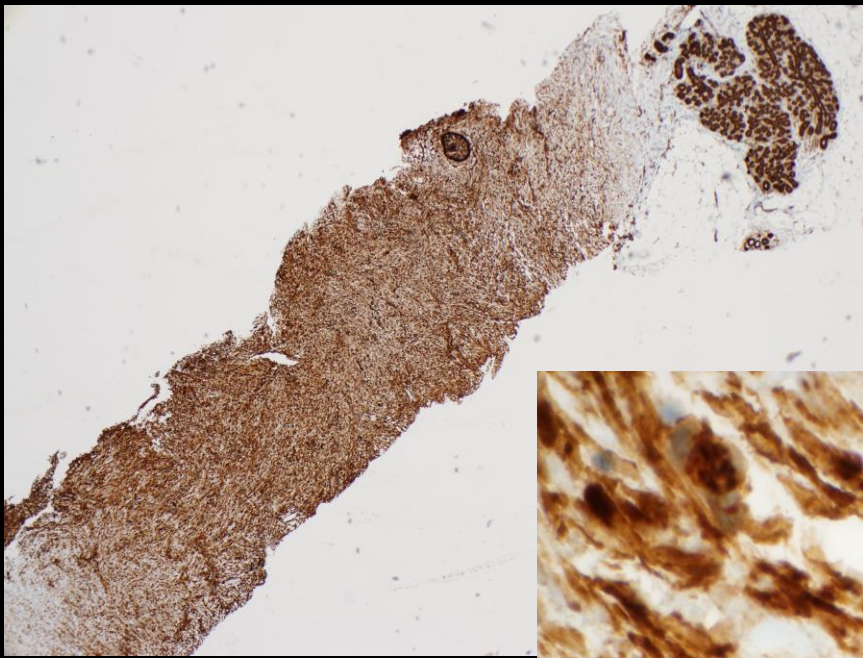
Peripheral lymphoid aggregates



Keloid-like stroma



IMMUNOHISTOCHEMISTRY



- B-CATENIN NUCLEAR STAINING
- ACTIN, DESMIN, S-100
- EXTRAMAMMARY FIBROMATOSIS ER+ IN 30% CASES, BUT MAMMARY FIBROMATOSIS IS MOSTLY ER NEGATIVE

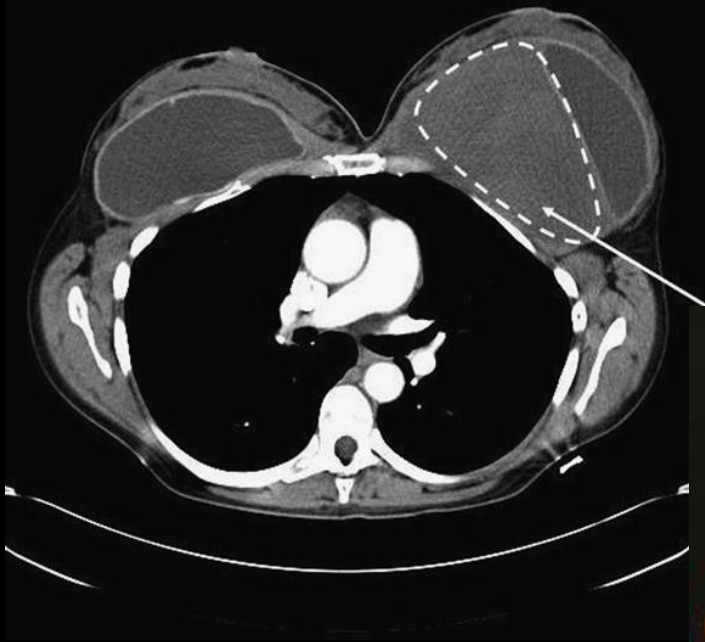
DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS

- Fibromatosis-like Metaplastic carcinoma
- Nodular fasciitis
- Scar tissue

CLINICAL COURSE

- High local recurrence rate 24-77% over 10 years
- Wide surgical excision
- Radiation in unresectable tumors
- Hormonal treatment
- Anti-inflammatory agents: NSAIDS
- Chemotherapy

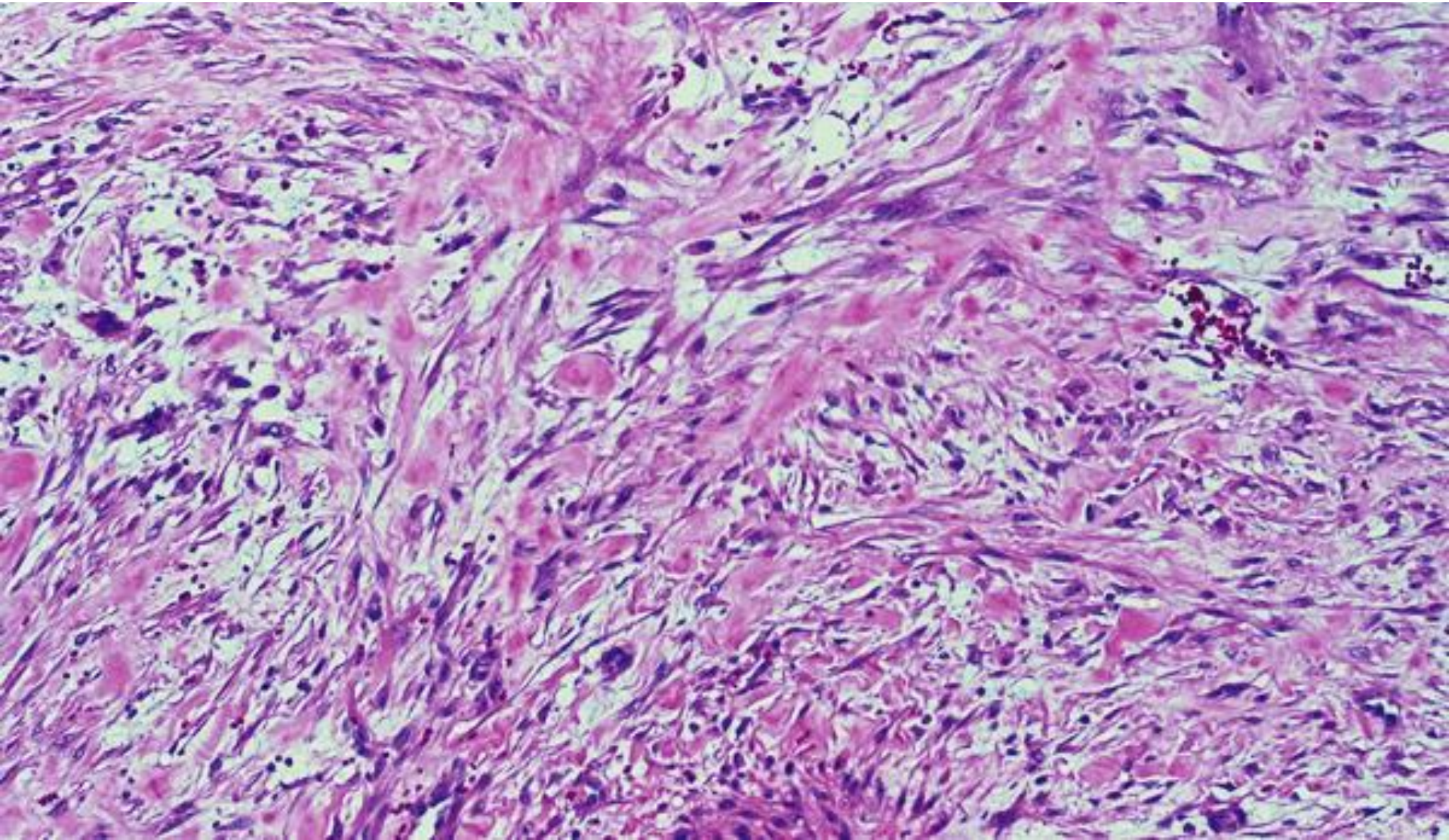
Nodular Fasciitis



On gross examination, NF lesions typically lack a capsule but have sharp circumscription

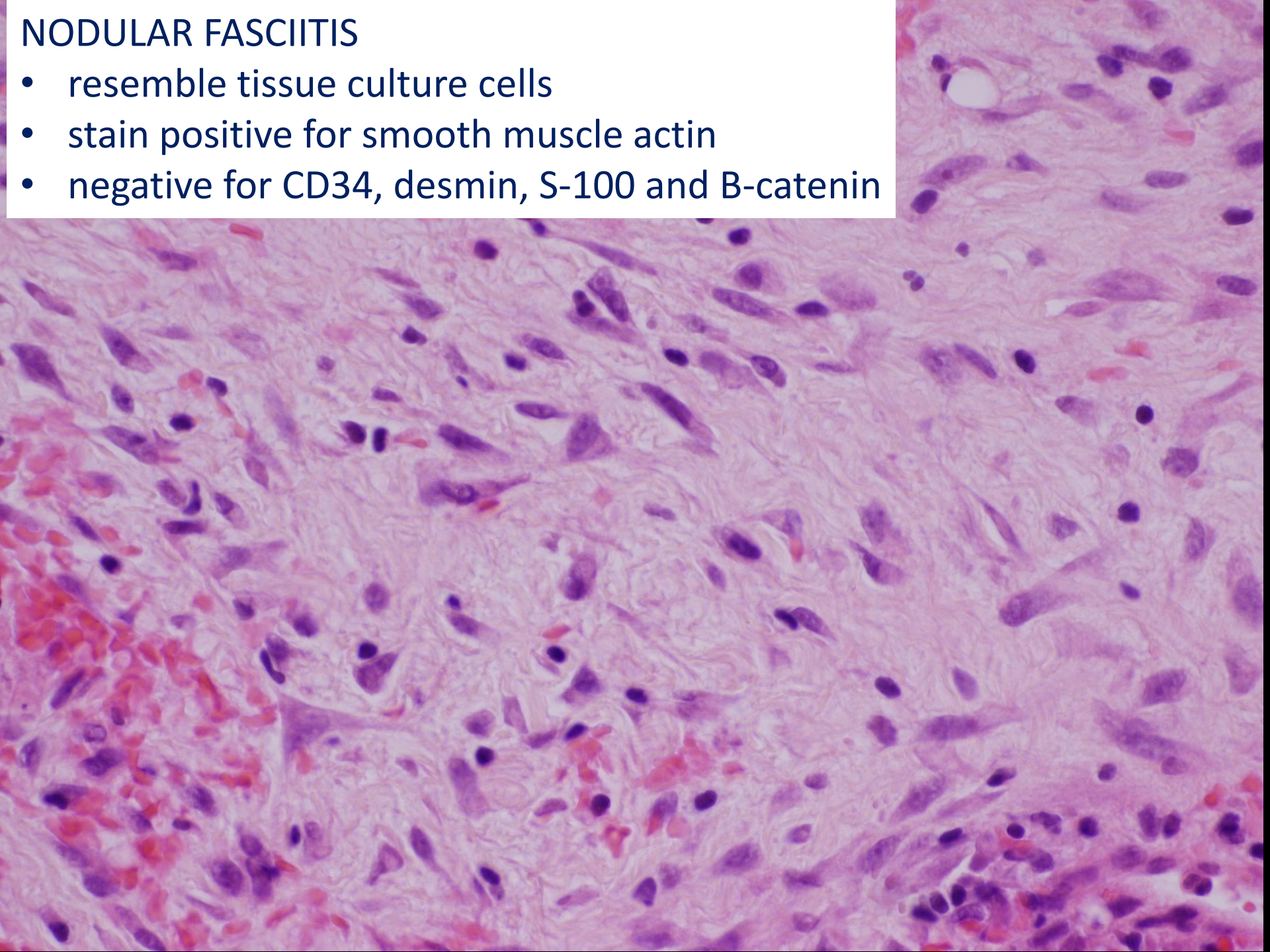


NF is very hypercellular and characterized by the presence of numerous variably shaped, immature myofibroblasts
Mitotic figures are abundant but the cells lack the cytologic atypia and lack necrosis seen with soft tissue sarcomas

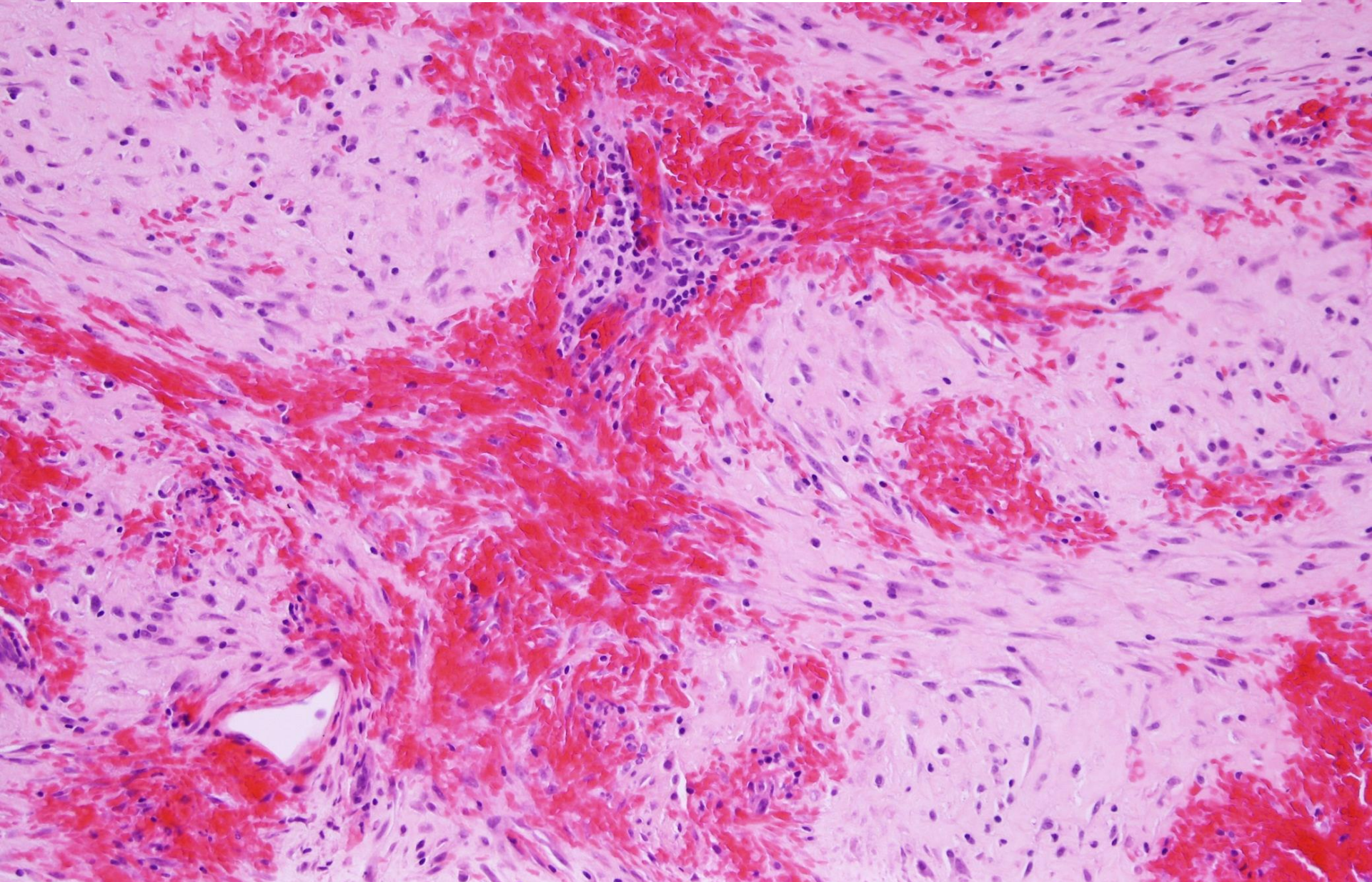


NODULAR FASCIITIS

- resemble tissue culture cells
- stain positive for smooth muscle actin
- negative for CD34, desmin, S-100 and B-catenin

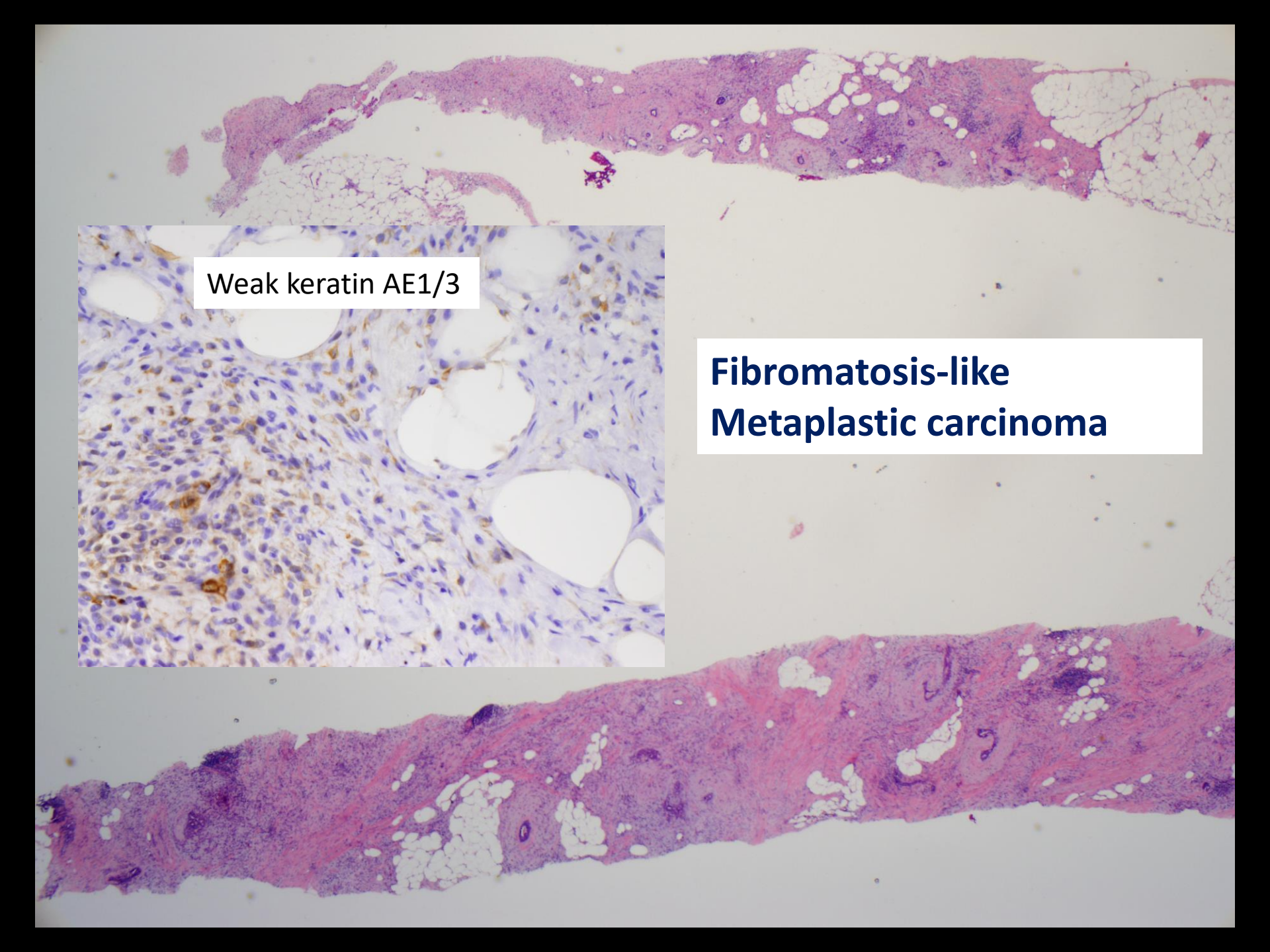


Extravasated erythrocytes and lymphocytes are frequently interspersed in the myxoid matrix between the myofibroblasts



Breast - Nodular Fasciitis

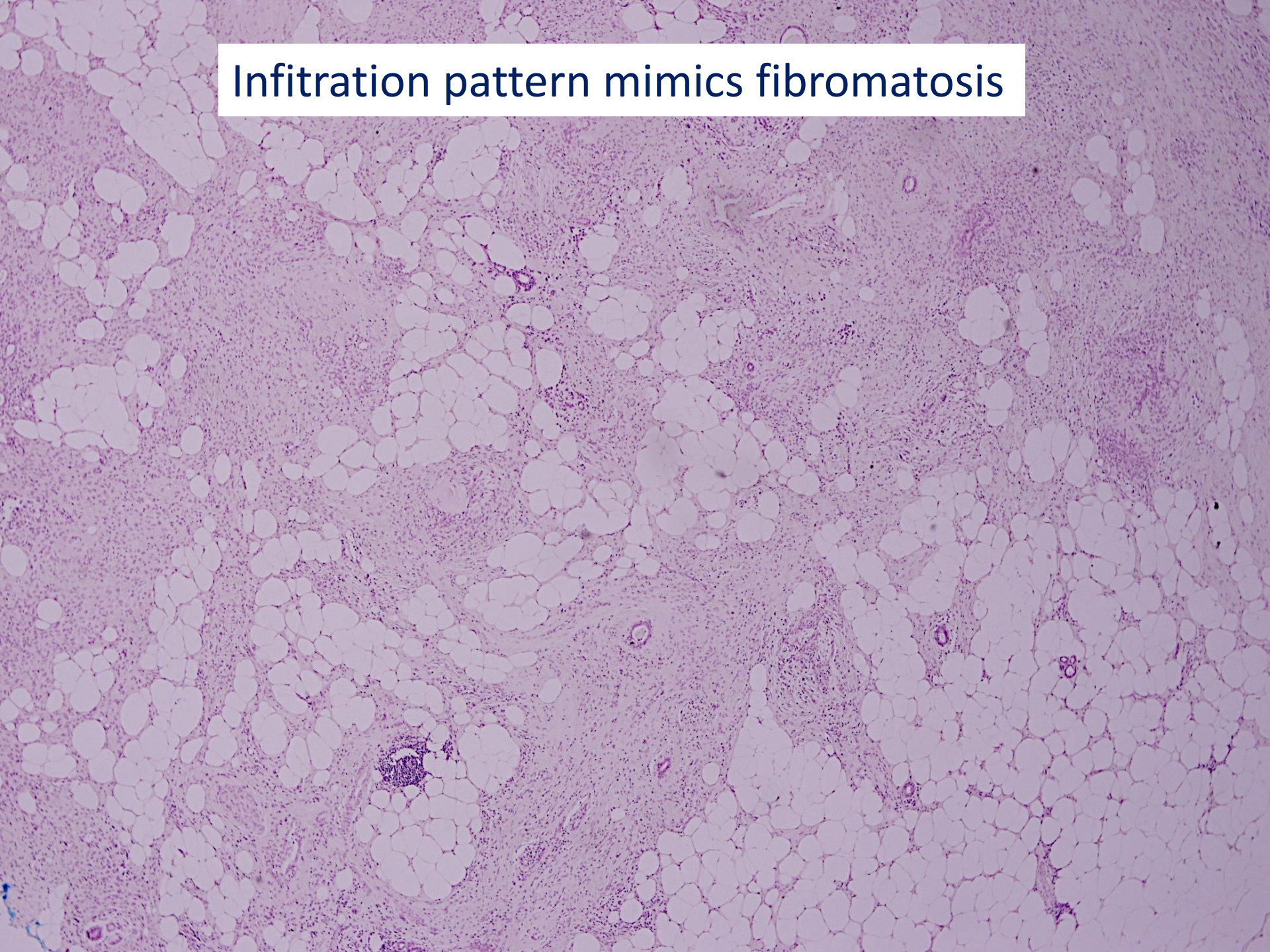
- resolution of symptoms without recurrence after marginal resection
- Recurrences are rare
- No need for radical resection, wide margins or debilitating resections of adjacent structures such as nerves
- May spontaneously regress (sometimes after incomplete resection)
- Watchful waiting
- No role for radiation



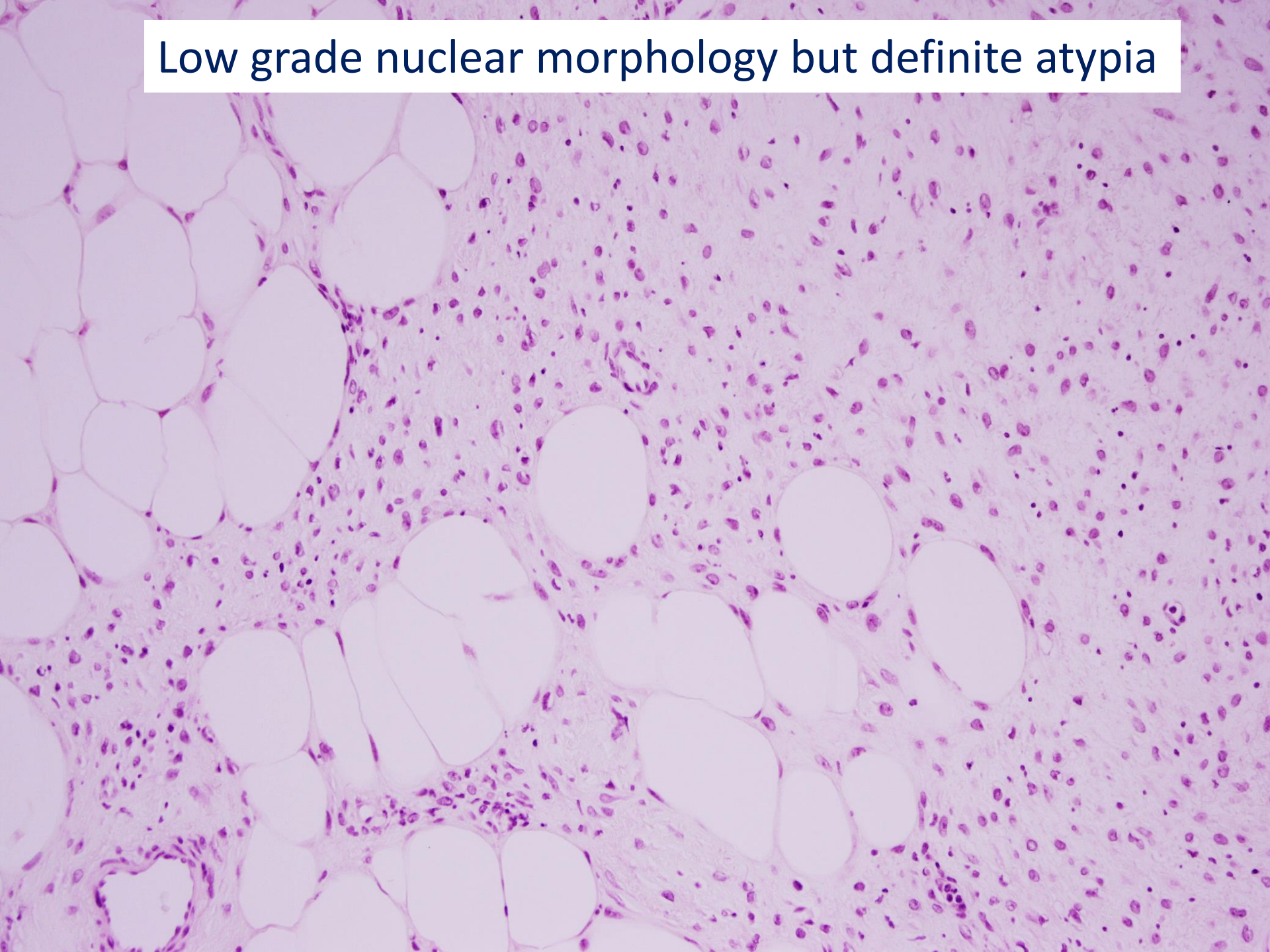
Weak keratin AE1/3

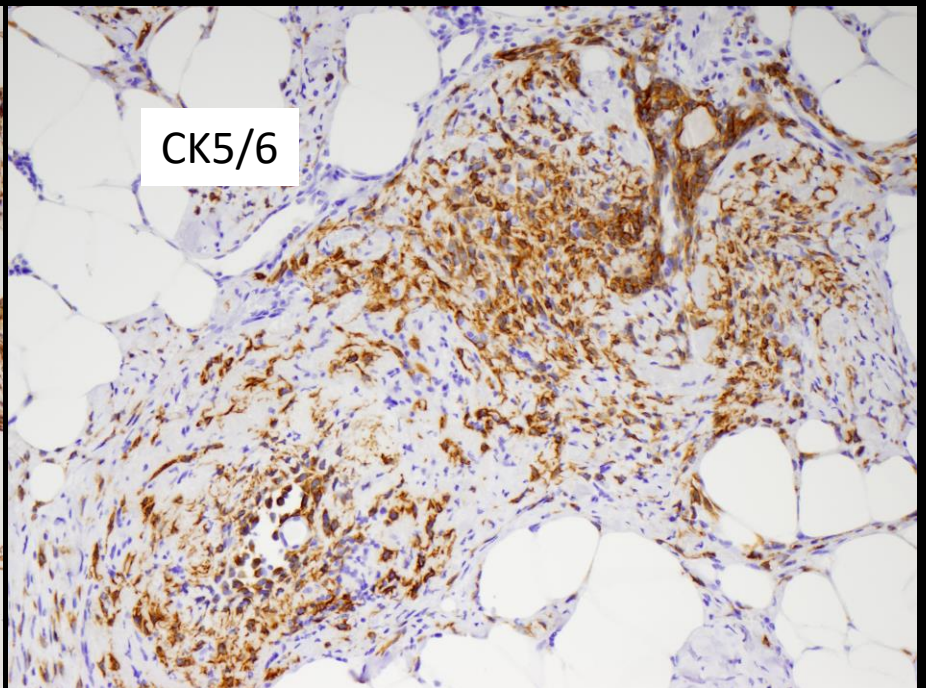
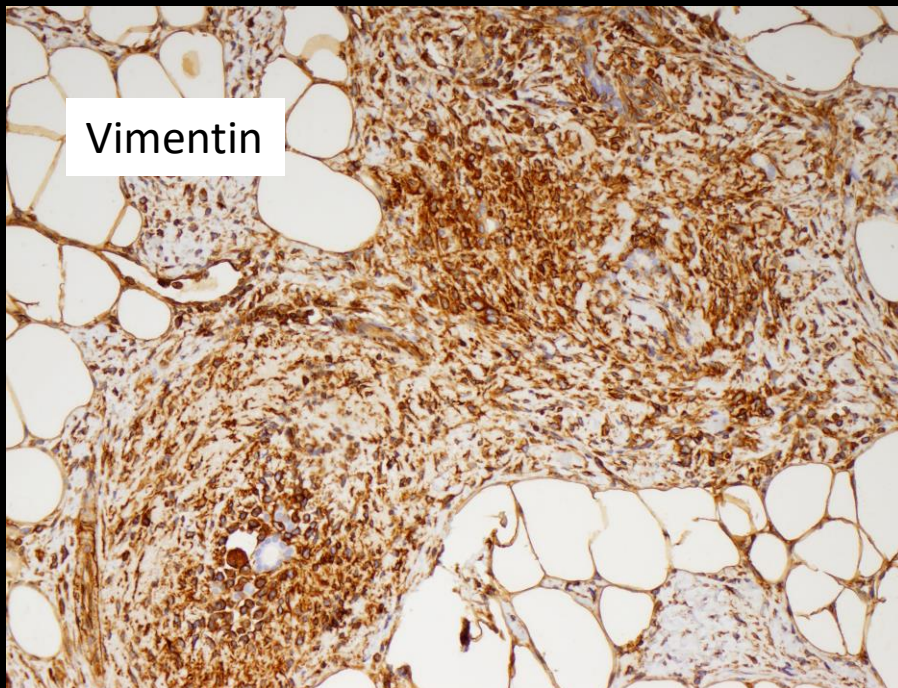
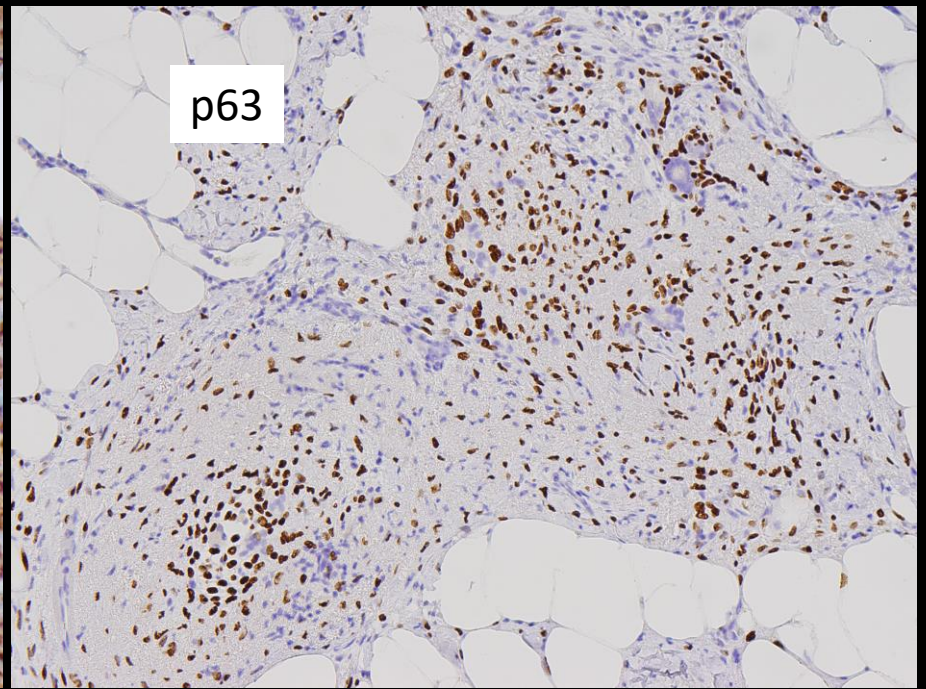
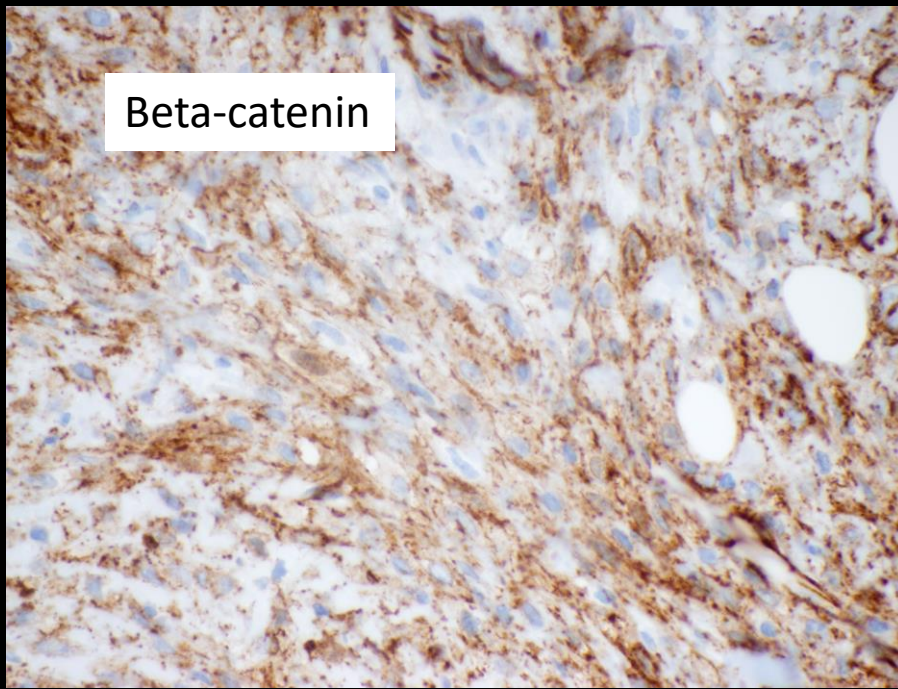
**Fibromatosis-like
Metaplastic carcinoma**

Infiltration pattern mimics fibromatosis



Low grade nuclear morphology but definite atypia





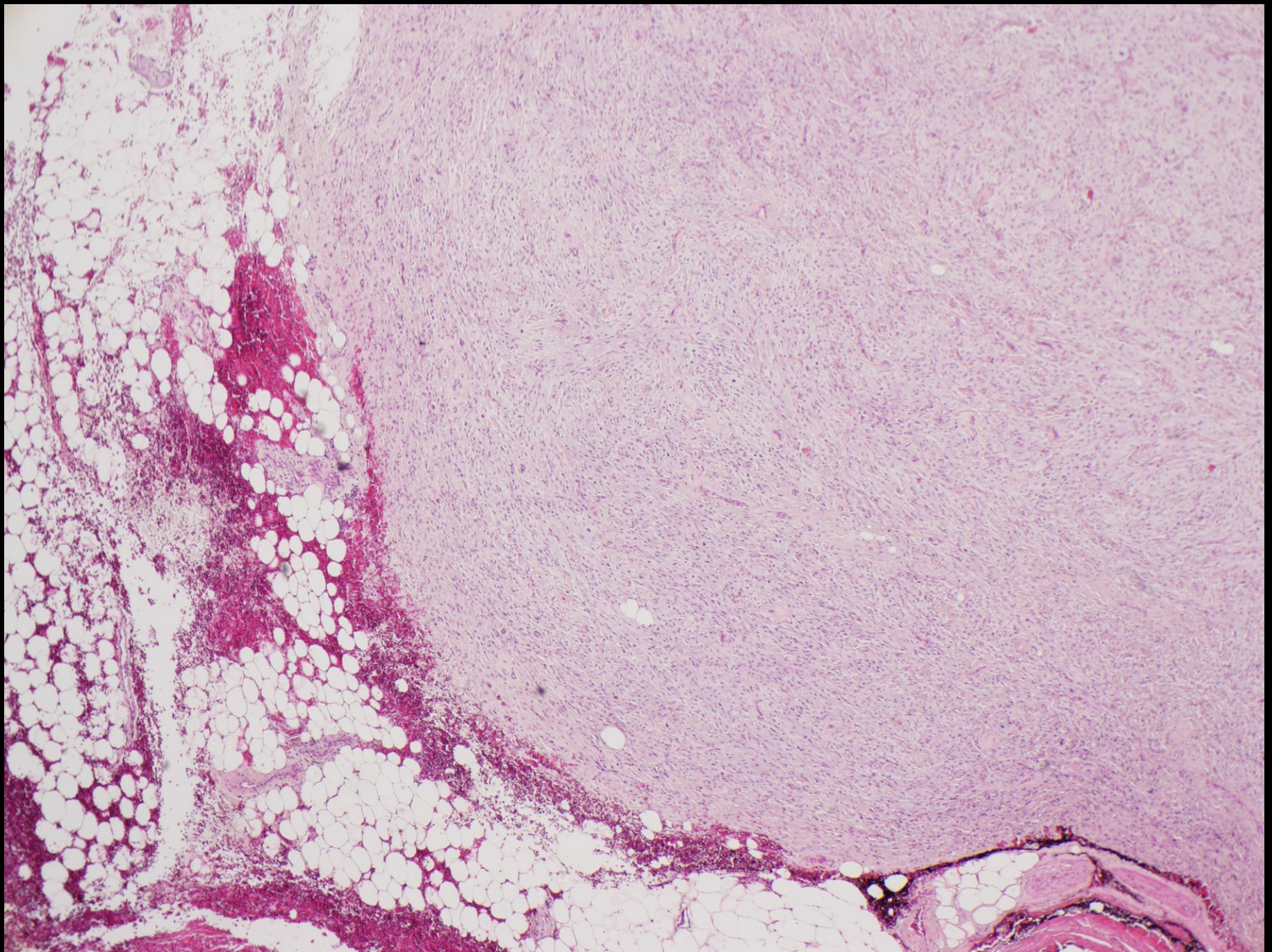
MYOFIBROBLASTOMA

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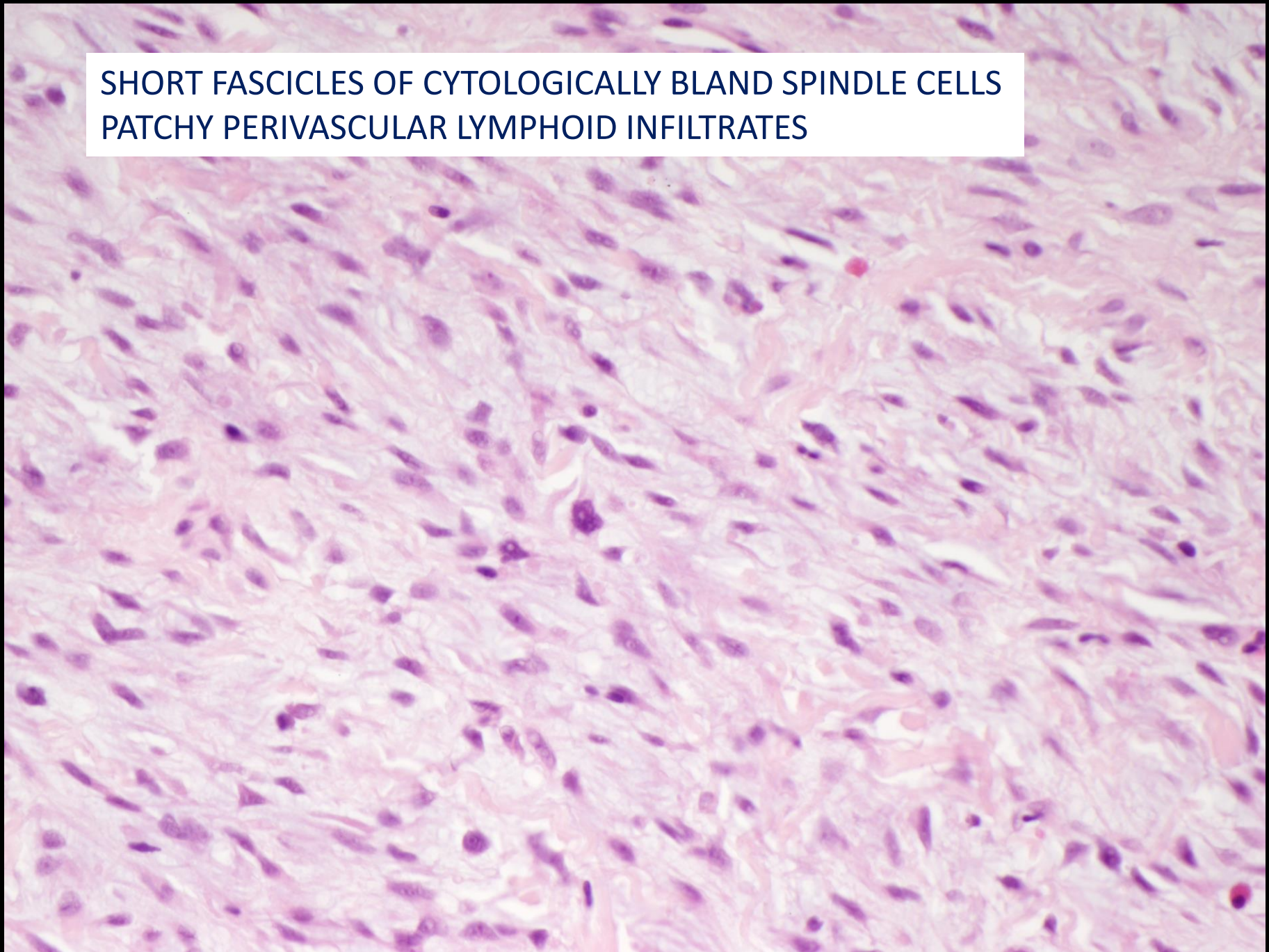
Myofibroblastoma of the breast. Sixteen cases of a distinctive benign mesenchymal tumor.

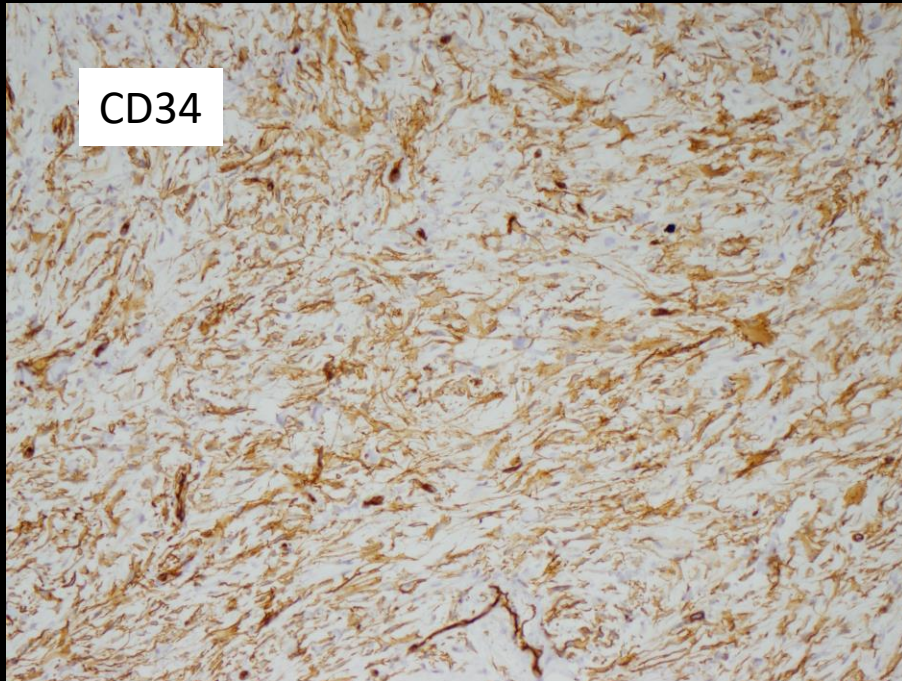
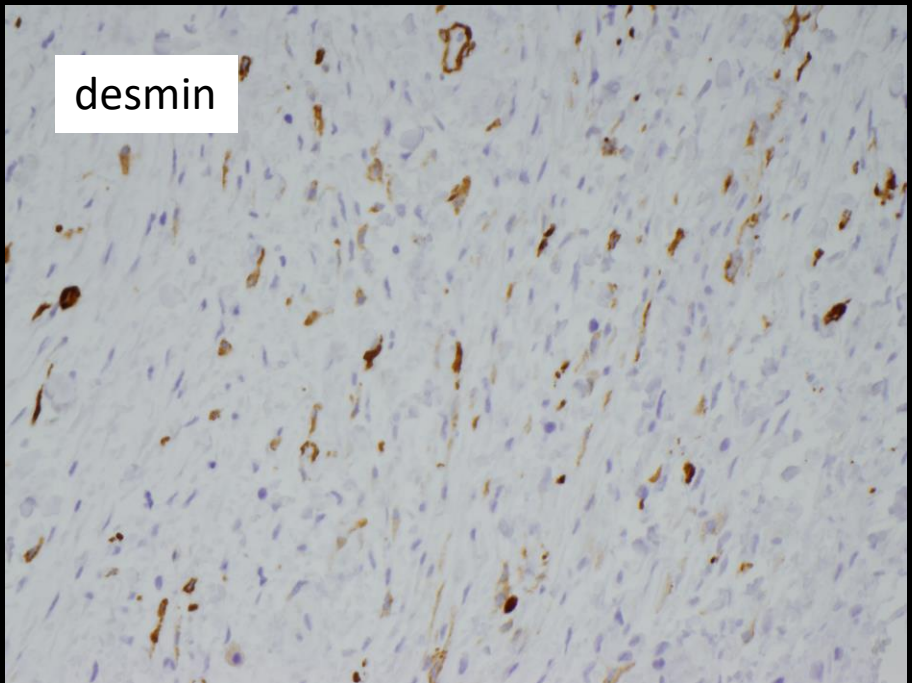
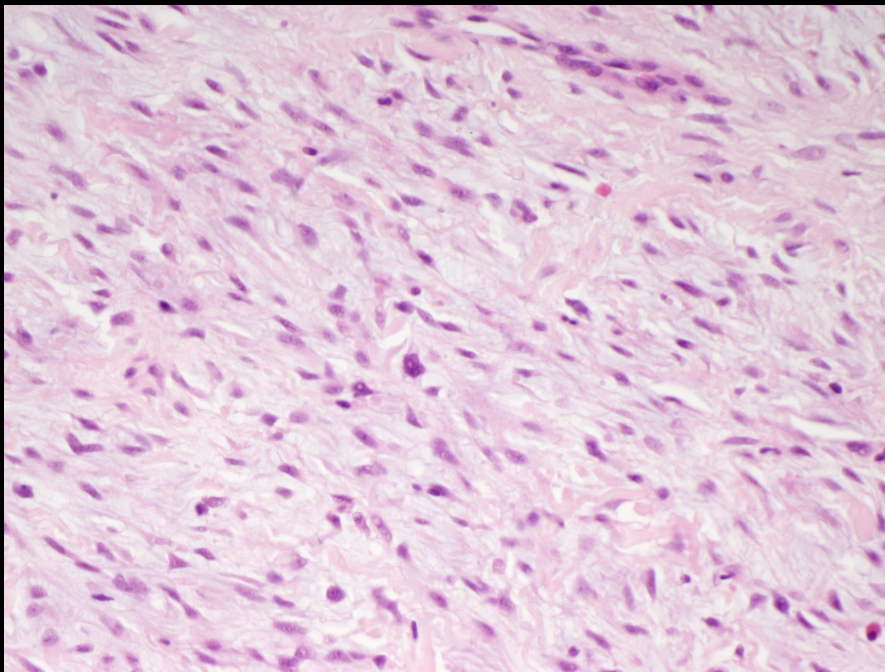
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- ORIGINALLY DESCRIBED IN MALES
- AVERAGE AGE: 63 YEARS (25-87 YEARS)
- No race predeliction
- SLOW GROWING, PALPABLE, painless NODULE
- Gynecomastia, androgen ablation therapy for prostate ca



SHORT FASCICLES OF CYTOLOGICALLY BLAND SPINDLE CELLS
PATCHY PERIVASCULAR LYMPHOID INFILTRATES





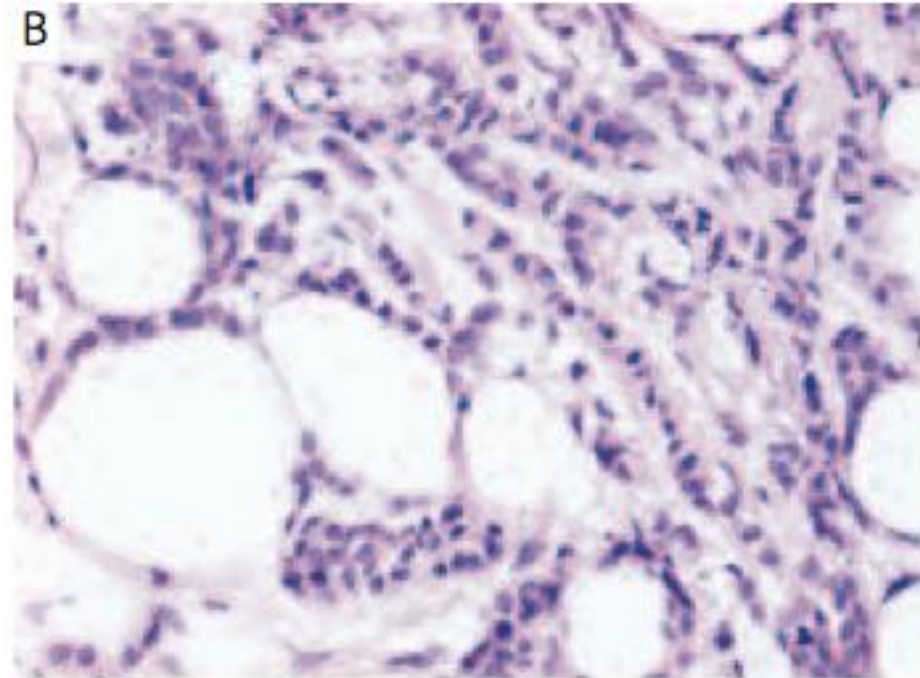
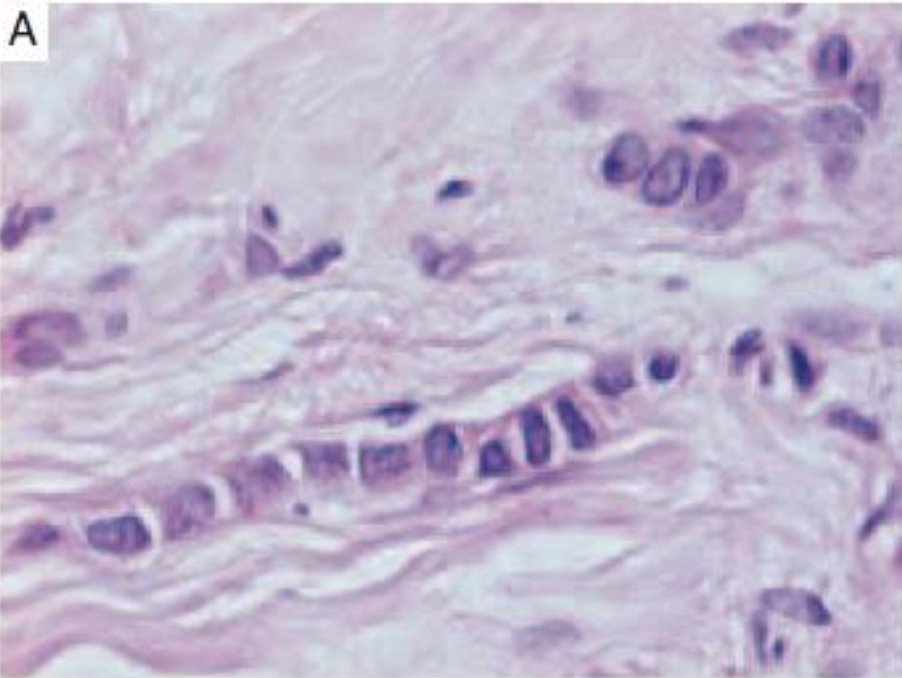
IMMUNOHISTOCHEMISTRY:
CD34
DESMIN
ER/PR

MYOFIBROBLASTOMA

- Collagenized
 - Broad bands of collagen, similar to PASH
- Epithelioid
 - > 50% is epithelioid
 - Negative for CD34 in some cases
- Cellular
 - Cellular, less collagen
- Infiltrative

MYOFIBROBLASTOMA: A POTENTIAL PITFALL IN CORE NEEDLE BIOPSY OF BREAST LESIONS

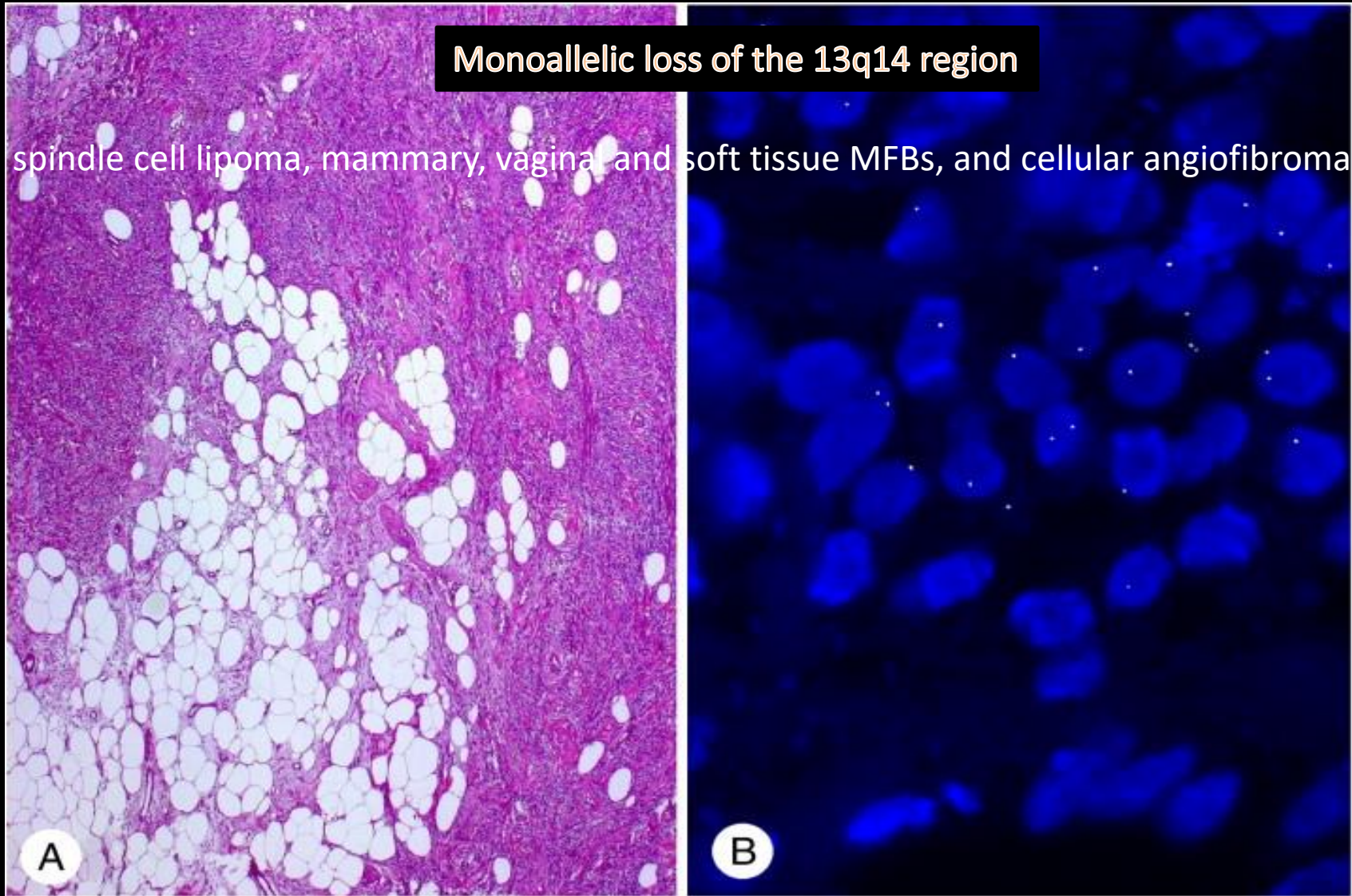
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resulting in a false diagnosis of lobular carcinoma in the core needle biopsy (can be ER/PR positive)

Monoallelic loss of the 13q14 region

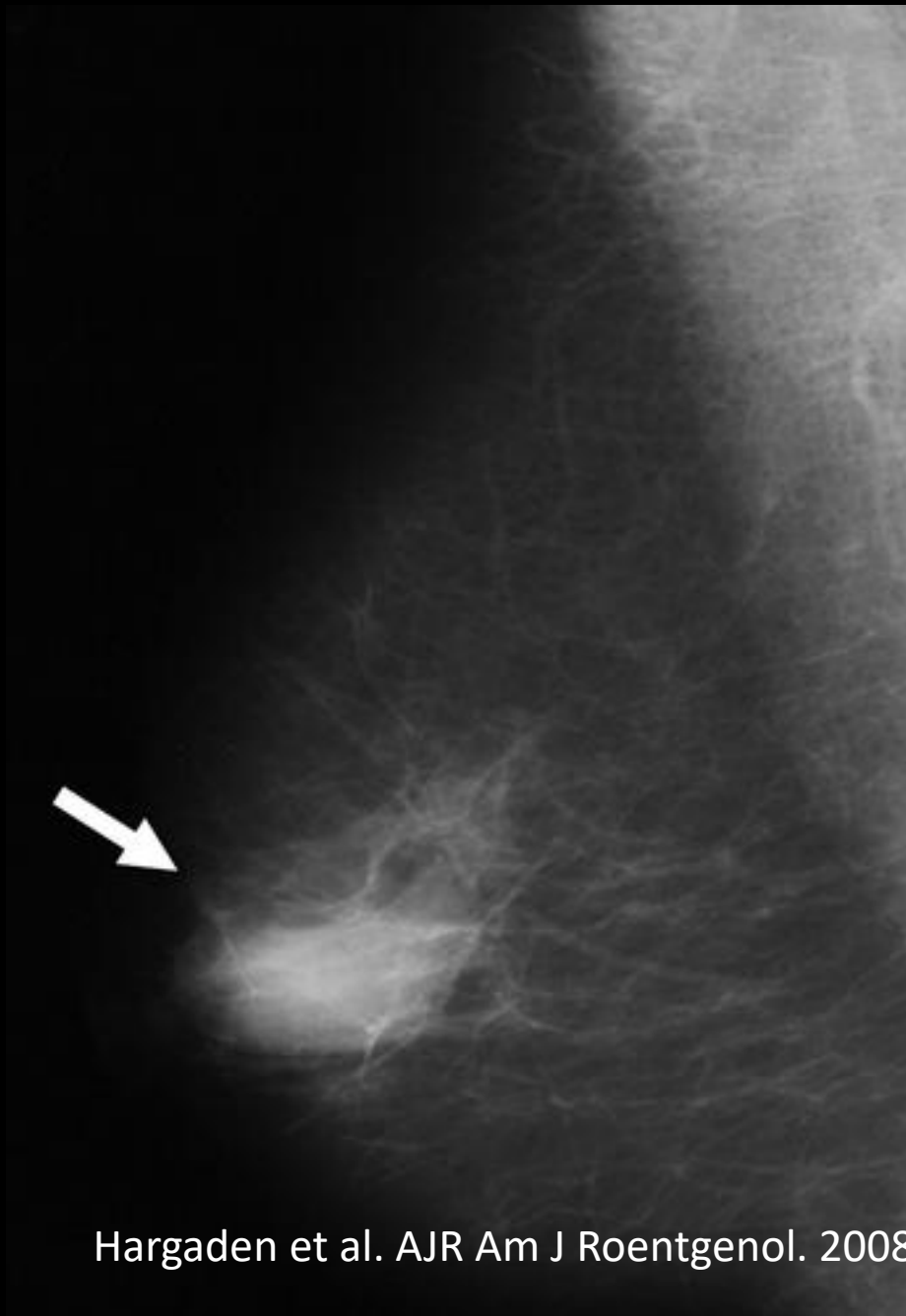
spindle cell lipoma, mammary, vaginal and soft tissue MFBs, and cellular angiofibroma



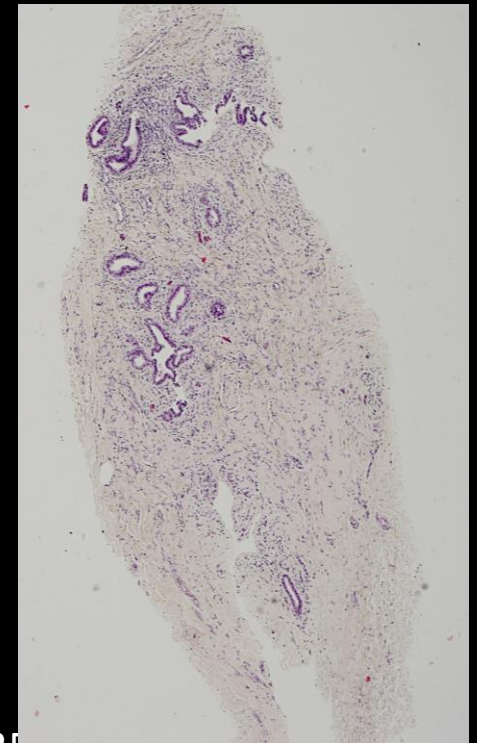
MFB, lipomatous variant: FISH analysis showing monoallelic loss of FOXO1/13q14 loci as indicated by the presence of 1 fusion red/green signal in most tumor cells

PASH

- 23% (of 200) of breast biopsies
- Usually coincident with other pathology
- Can be the dominant pathology
- Hormonal etiology possible
- LOCALIZED STROMAL OVERGROWTH WHICH SIMULATES LOW GRADE ANGIOSARCOMA
- Can grow over time
- Can recur after excision

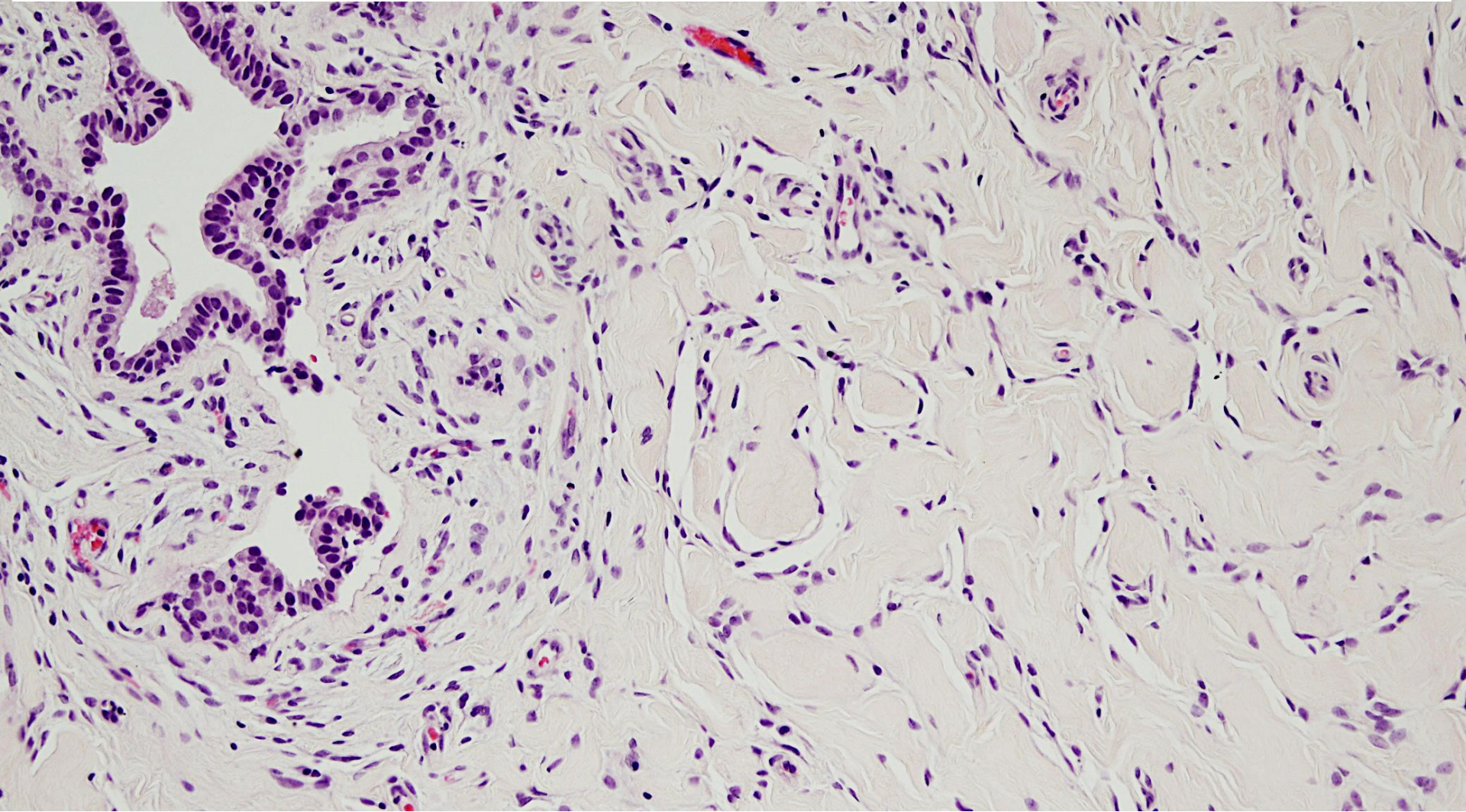


PASH lesions on mammography and ultrasound indicated that most presented as oval or round well circumscribed masses.



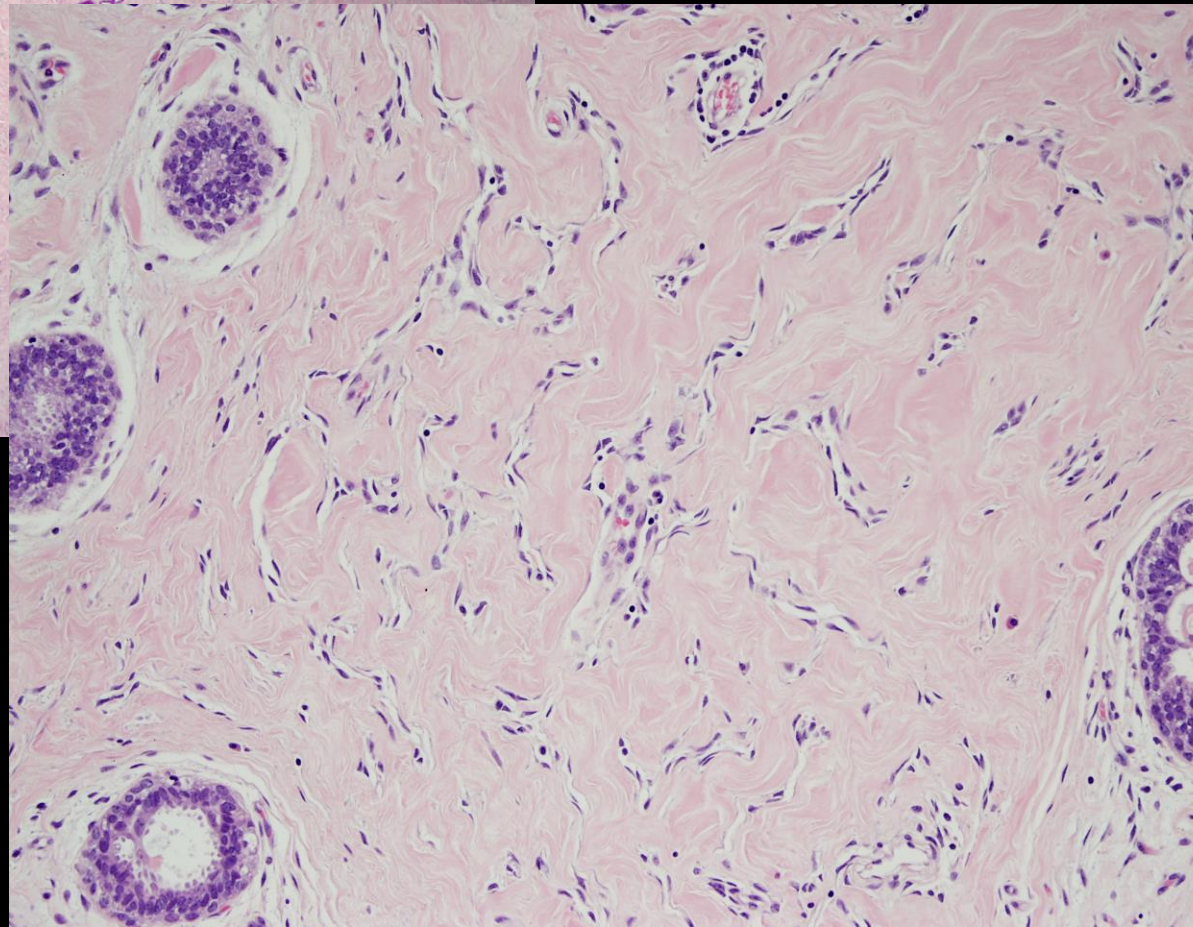
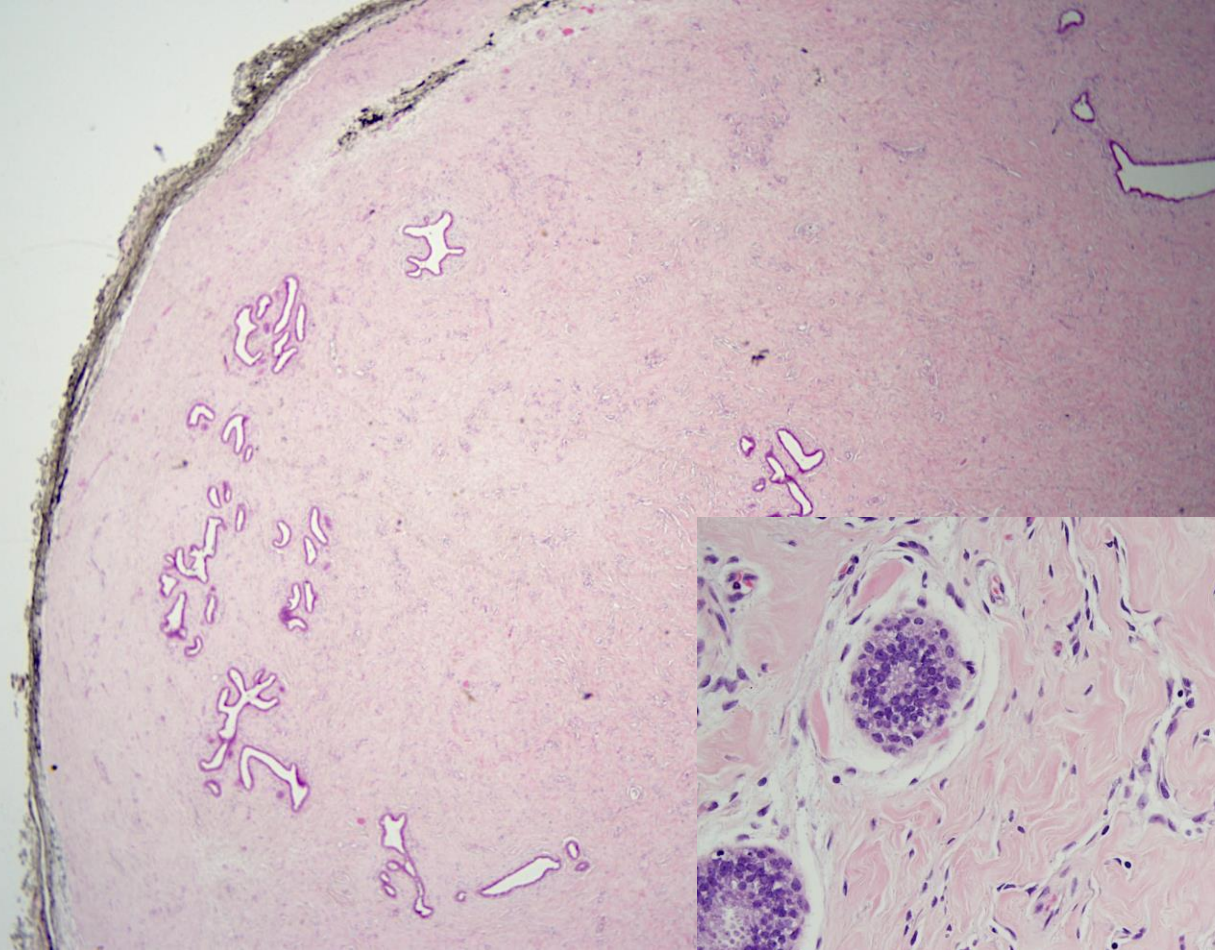
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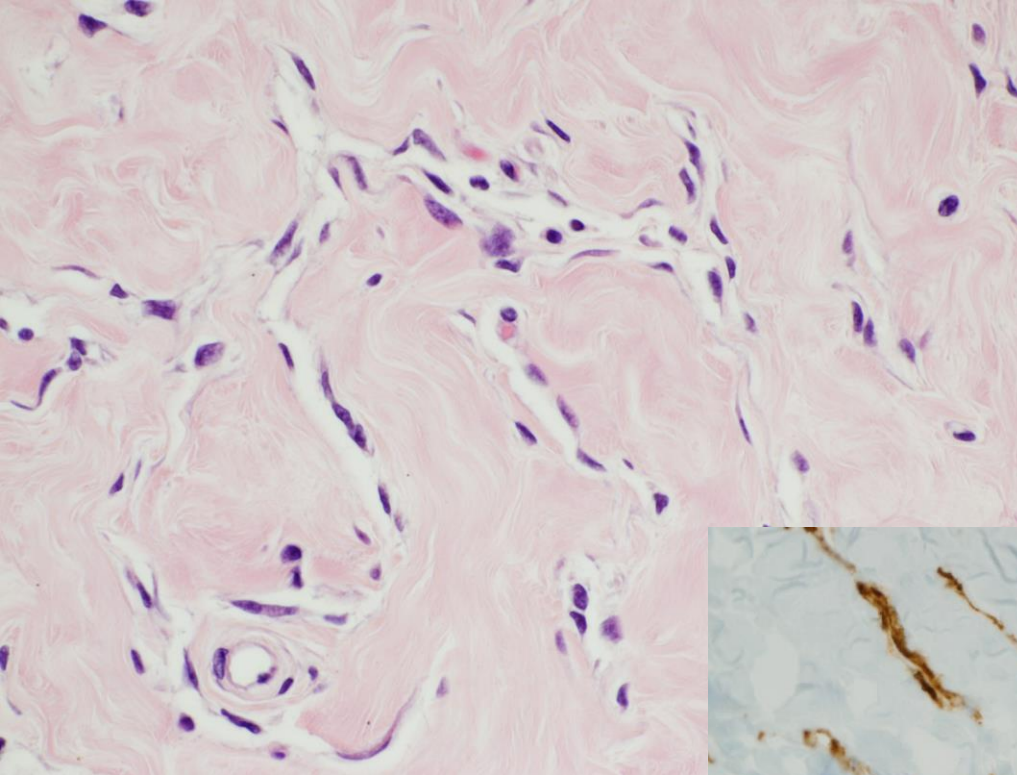
interanastomosing angulated and slit-like spaces lined by slender spindle cells and surrounded by dense collagenous stroma



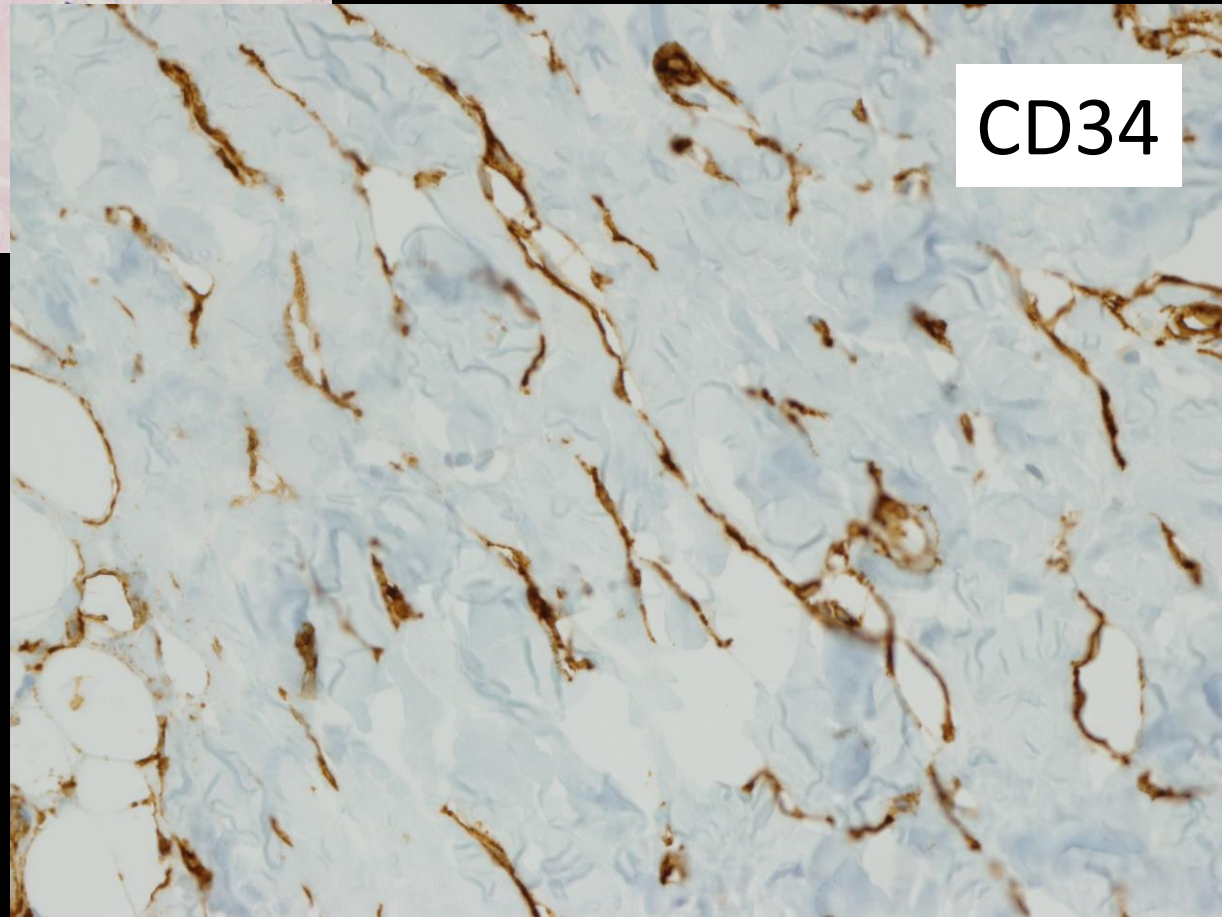
- slits lined by myofibroblastic cells are probably a fixation artifact induced by the retraction of the collagenous stroma
- potential misdiagnosis as low-grade angiosarcoma

- Glandular elements separated by increased amounts of stroma
- Fibroadenoma-like features



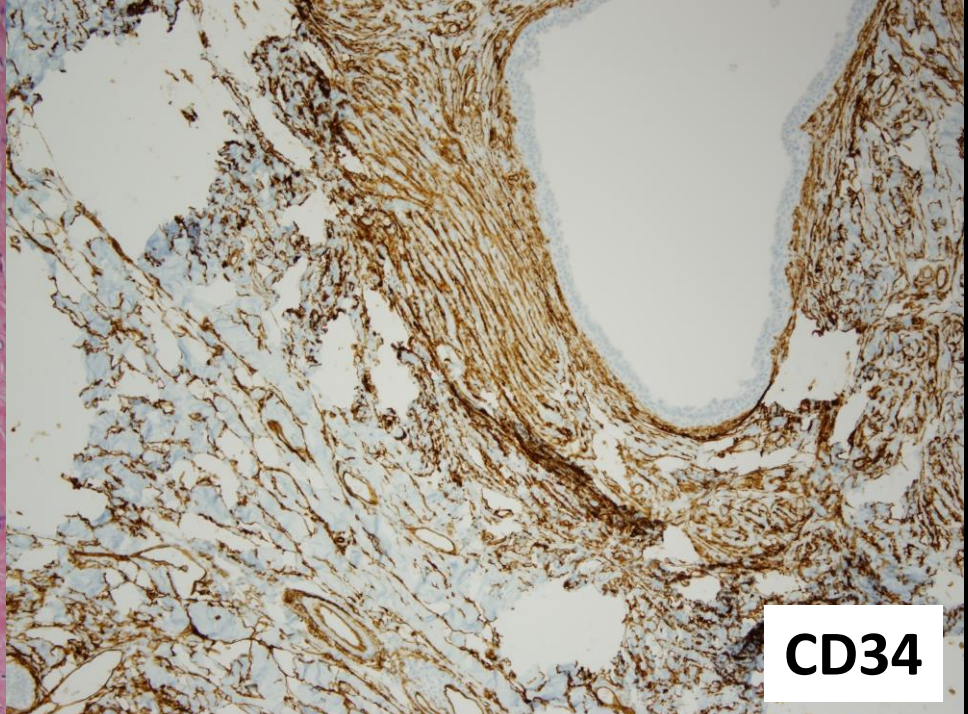
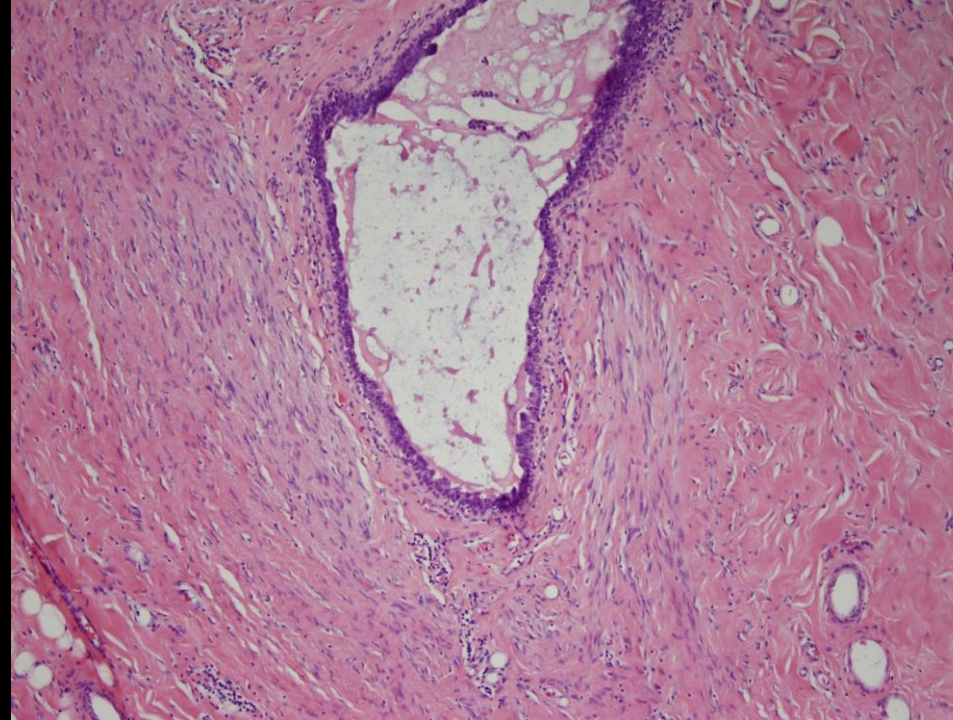


Anastomosing slit-like spaces,
outlined by bland spindle cells –
myofibroblasts
Slit-like spaces are seen on frozen
sections and are not artifacts

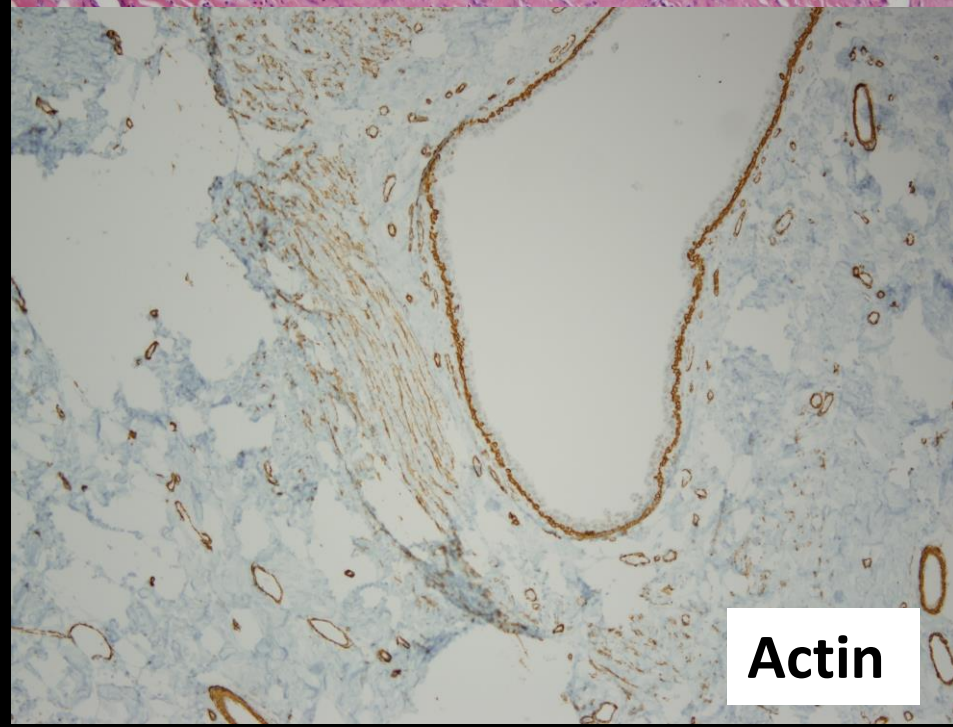


CD34

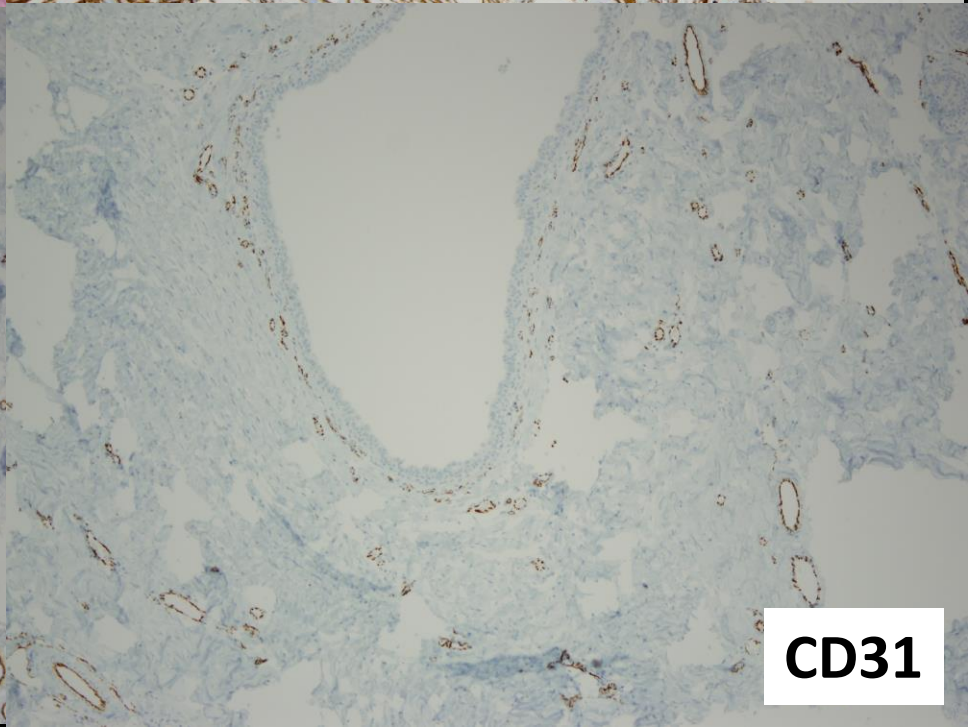
- Negative: FVIII,
cytokeratin, S-100
- Positive
 - Vimentin (20/20)
 - CD34 (16/17)
 - Smooth muscle actin
(16/19)
- Variable
 - ER (4/14), PR (7/14)
 - Desmin (4/19)



CD34

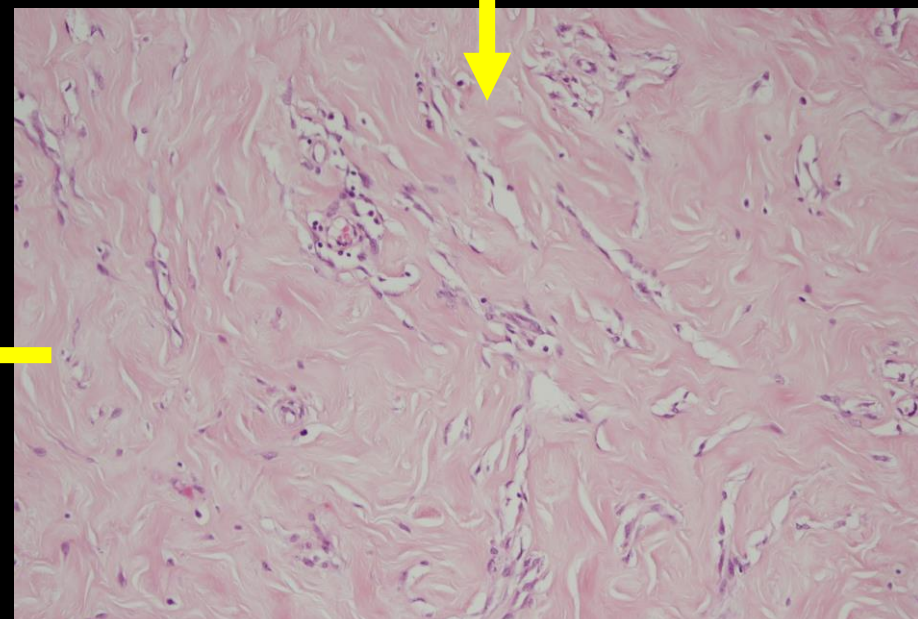
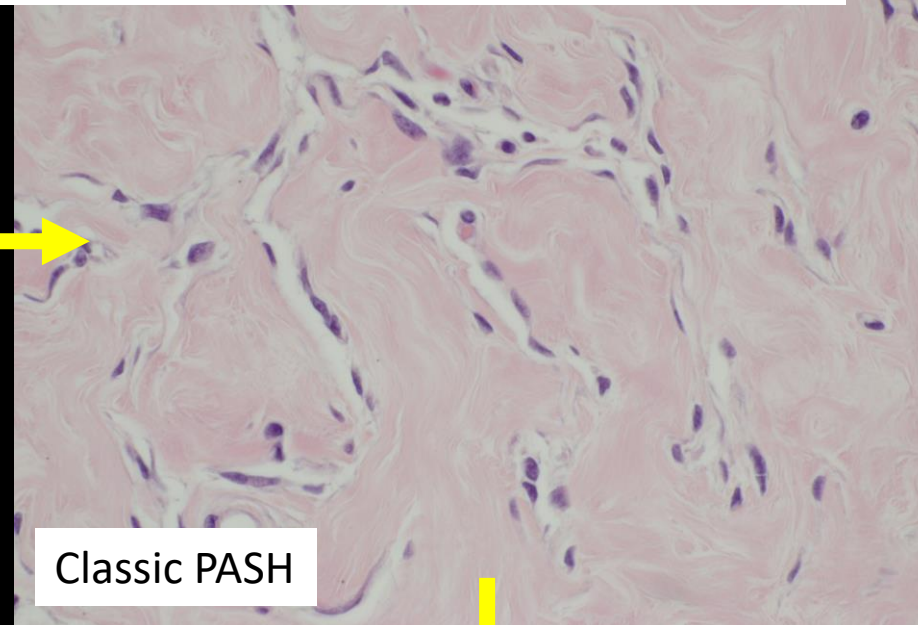
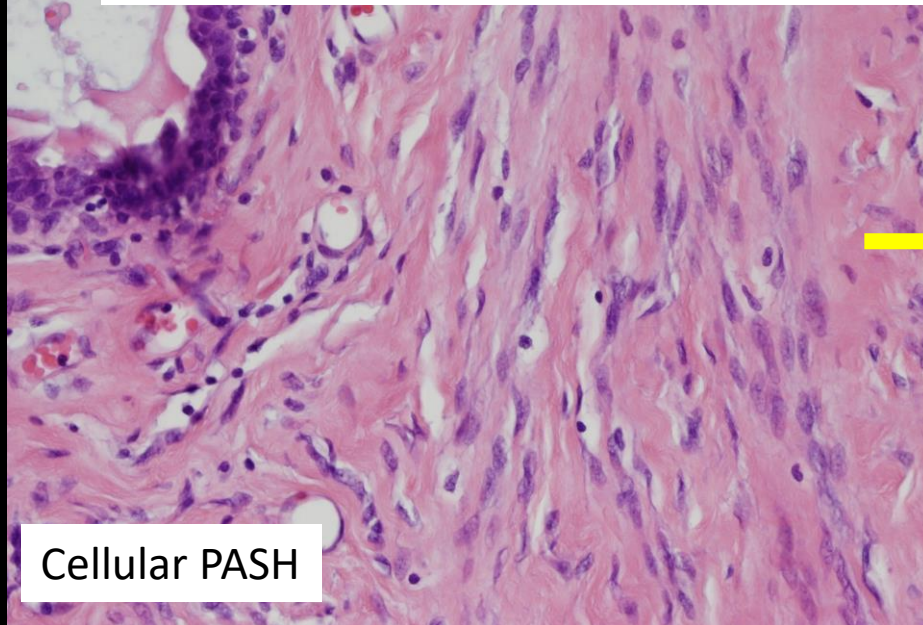


Actin



CD31

Spectrum from paucicellular and collagen-rich to classic PASH to cellular PASH

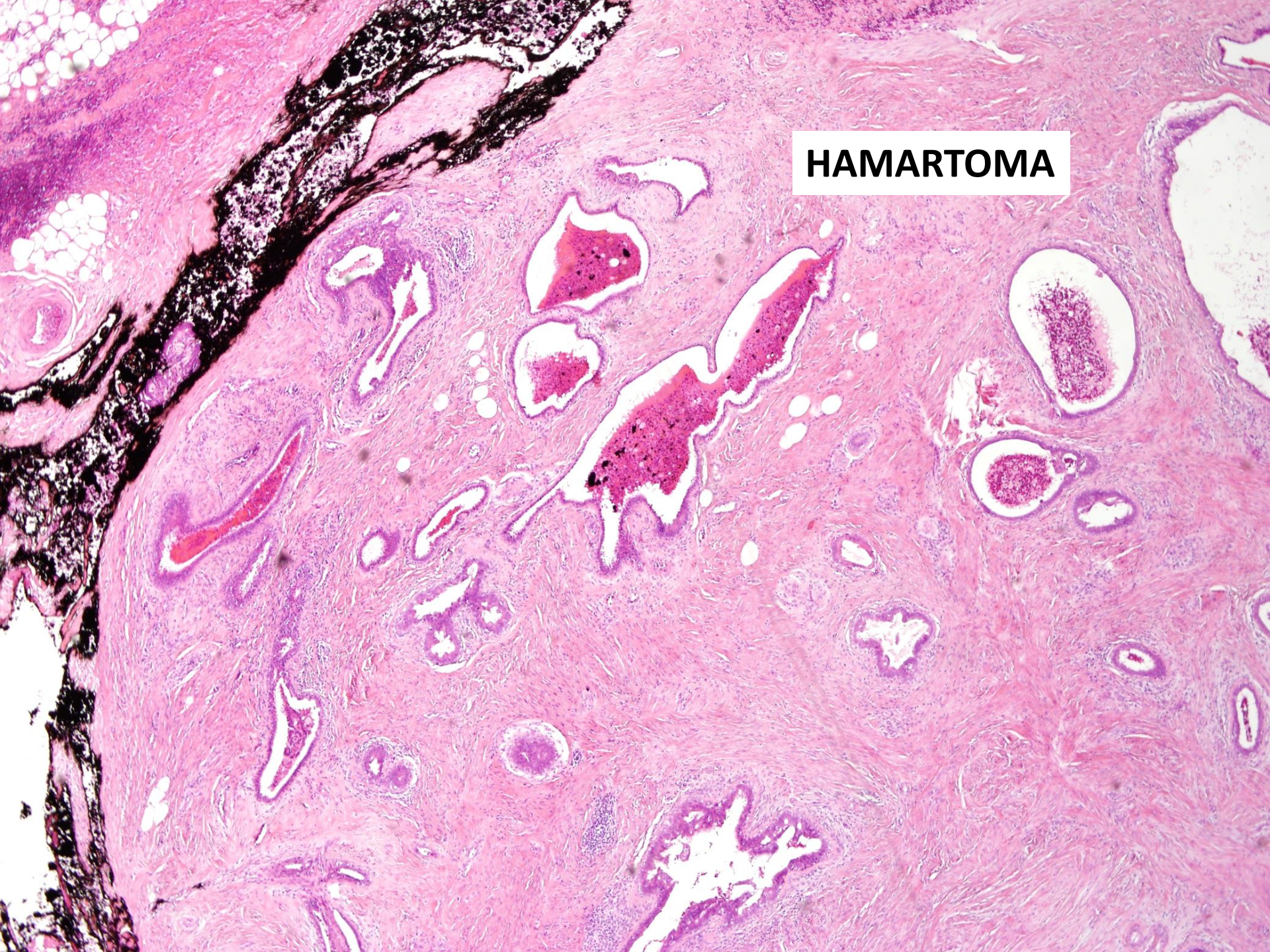




A histological slide showing a myoid hamartoma. The tissue is stained with hematoxylin and eosin (H&E). The upper portion of the slide shows a dense, pink-stained area with many small, dark purple nuclei, likely representing the myoid component. The lower portion shows a more organized structure with numerous small, circular, clear spaces (cysts or glandular structures) surrounded by a layer of cells, representing the hamartomatous component. The overall appearance is characteristic of a benign tumor with a mix of myoid and glandular elements.

MYOID HAMARTOMA

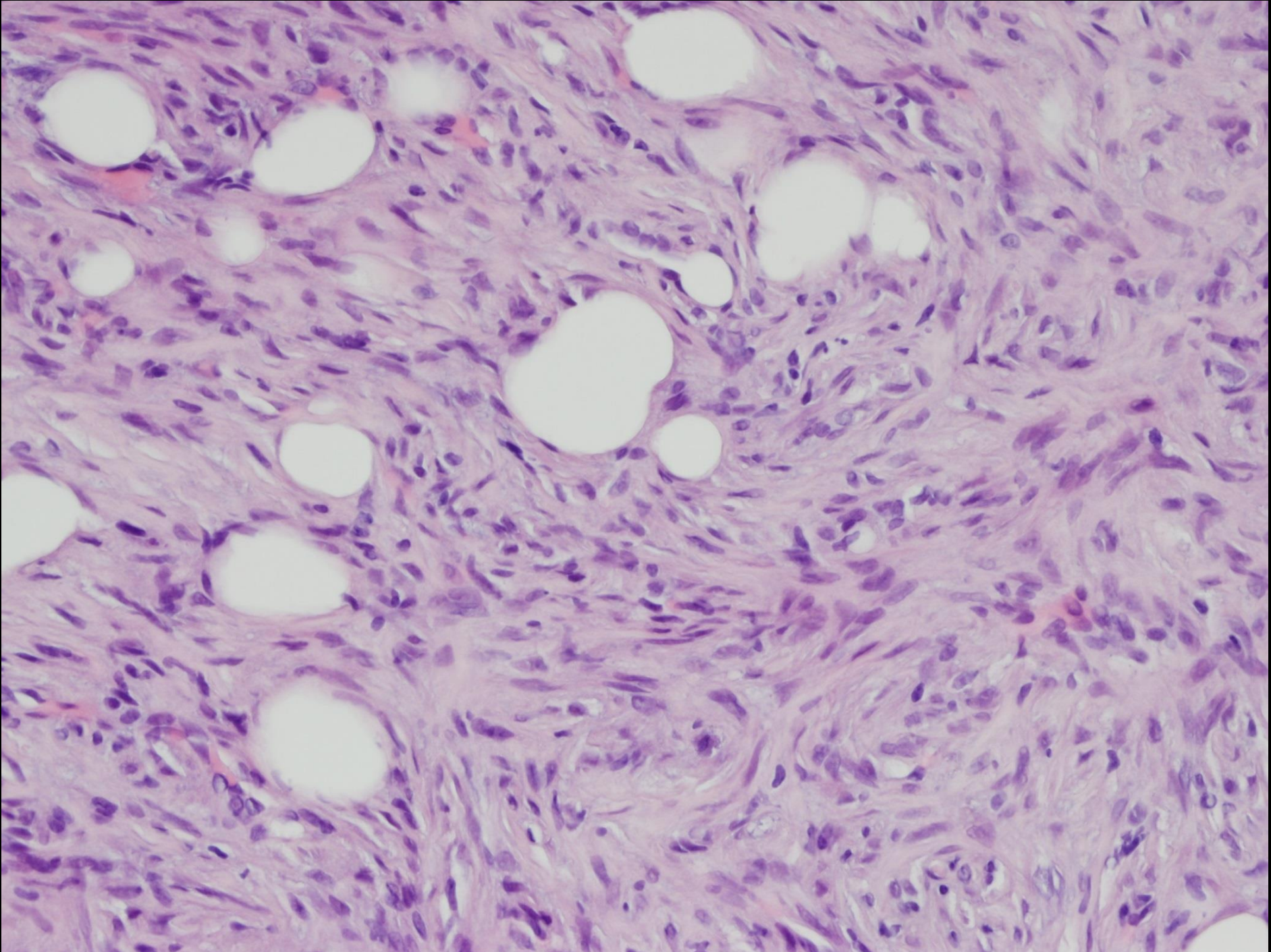
HAMARTOMA





A histological section of a breast mass, stained with hematoxylin and eosin (H&E). The tissue shows a dense, cellular area with a high concentration of nuclei, suggesting a neoplastic process. The mass is surrounded by adipose tissue, which is visible as large, clear, vacuolated spaces. The overall architecture is disorganized, with a lack of normal glandular structures.

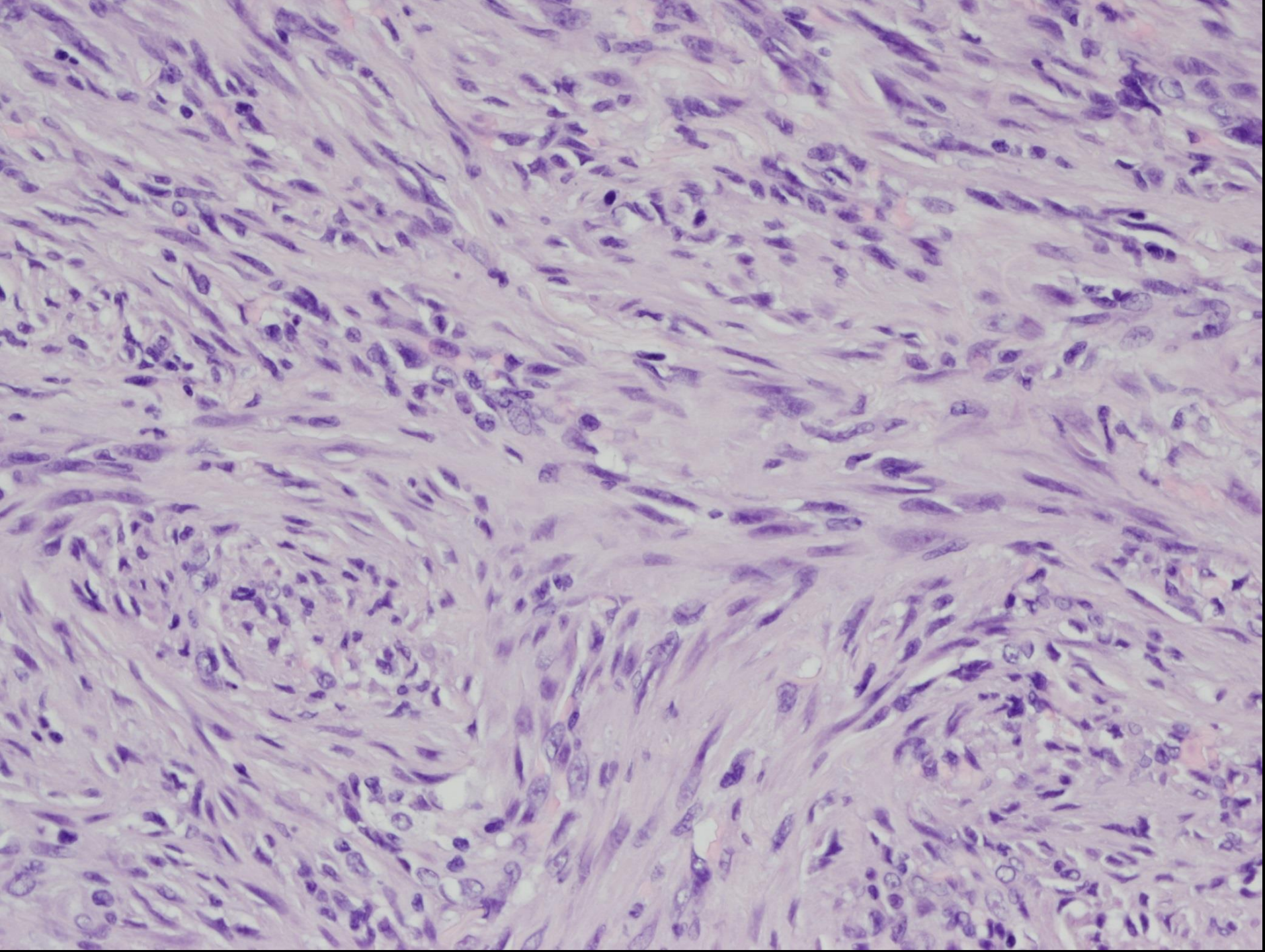
“Breast mass”





“Resection specimen”

This histological section shows a large, dense, purple-stained mass, likely representing a tumor or a large area of inflammation. The mass is surrounded by a lighter, pinkish tissue, which appears to be the surrounding stroma or normal tissue. The overall appearance is consistent with a resection specimen, where a large area of tissue has been removed for examination.



CELLULAR DF

CD34

CD68

FXIIIA

Recent developments in the histological diagnosis of spindle cell carcinoma, fibromatosis and phyllodes tumour of the breast

A H S Lee *Histopathology* VOLUME 52, pages 45–57, January 2008

- CD34: expressed in normal stroma, phyllodes tumors, myofibroblastoma, myoid hamartoma, PASH
- but does not appear to be present in spindle cell carcinomas, fibromatoses, nodular fasciitis

Role of Cytokeratins

- AE1/AE3
- CK5 or CK5/6, CK14, 34βE12
- CAM5.2 and CK7 in a minority
- DO NOT RELY SOLELY AS EXCEPTIONS OCCUR
 - Leiomyosarcomas, phyllodes tumor stroma, inflammatory myofibroblastic tumor, metastatic melanoma
- P63 (occ. sarcomas and phyllodes show focal +)

Nuclear staining of B-catenin

- Fibromatosis: 80% cases
- Occ spindle cell carcinoma
- Phyllodes tumors
- Problem: Strong staining makes it difficult to assess whether nuclear or just cytoplasmic

Pure spindle cell lesions with bland cytomorphology

Spindle cell metaplastic carcinoma	Keratins (CKAE1/3, 34 β E12, CK7, Cam 5.2) \pm , p63 \pm , β -catenin \pm , CD34 $-$, ER $-$, PR $-$, Her2 $-$
Fibromatosis	β -catenin + ; actin \pm , desmin \pm , bcl2 $-$, CD34 $-$, ER $-$, PR $-$
PASH tumor	CD34 + , PR > ER, bcl2 + , CD99 + ; SMA \pm , desmin \pm
Myofibroblastoma	CD34 + , SMA \pm , desmin \pm , vimentin + , bcl2 + , CD99 + ; S100 $-$, HMB45 $-$, β -catenin $-$, EMA $-$, keratins $-$, ER \pm , PR \pm , AR \pm
Low-grade angiosarcoma	CD31 + , CD34 + , factor VIII + ; FLI1 + , keratins $-$
Cellular angiolipoma	CD31 + , CD34 + , factor VIII + ; keratins $-$
Biopsy site changes	CD68 \pm , β -catenin \pm
Inflammatory myofibroblastic tumor	ALK-1 + (50%), CD68 + , β -catenin $-$

Mixed spindle and epithelial/epithelioid/glandular lesions

Spindle cell metaplastic carcinoma	See above
Phyllodes tumor (stroma)	No specific markers, CD34 + , bcl2 + , keratins \pm
Low-grade adenosquamous carcinoma	Circumferential myosin \pm and p63 \pm ; keratins \pm "core" staining
Epithelial displacement in biopsy site	Myoepithelial markers (p63, SMM) \pm around epithelial cells

Pure spindle cell lesions with atypical/malignant cytomorphology

Spindle cell metaplastic carcinoma	See above
Phyllodes tumor (stroma)	See above
Angiosarcoma	Same as low-grade angiosarcoma (see above)
Other sarcomas	As per histogenesis
Spindle cell melanoma	S100 + , A103 + , HMB45 + ; keratins $-$

PASH indicates pseudoangiomatous stromal hyperplasia.

TABLE 4 Immunohistochemical Profiles of Subgroups of Mammary Spindle Cell Lesions

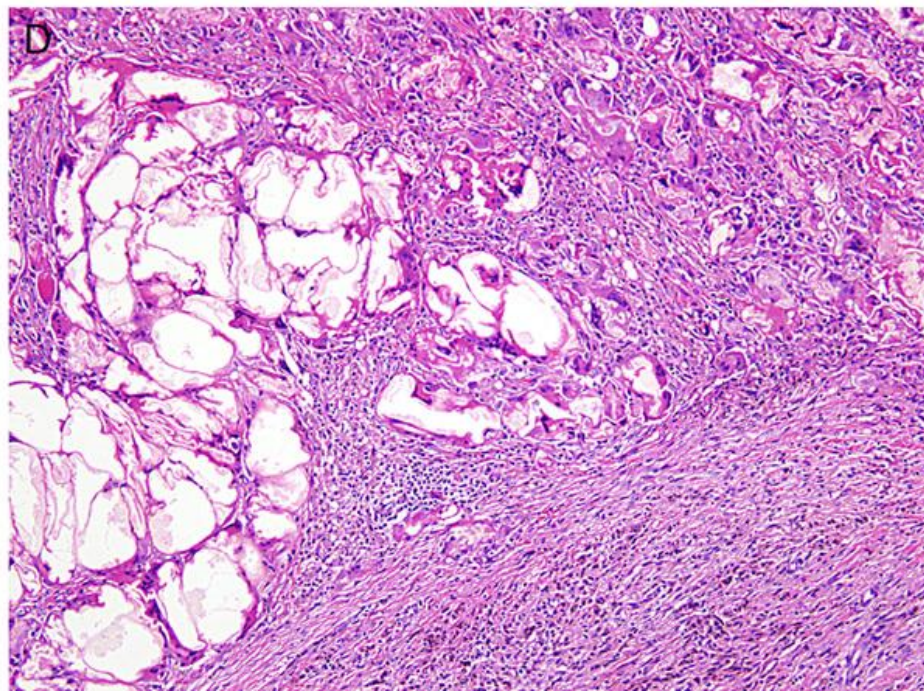
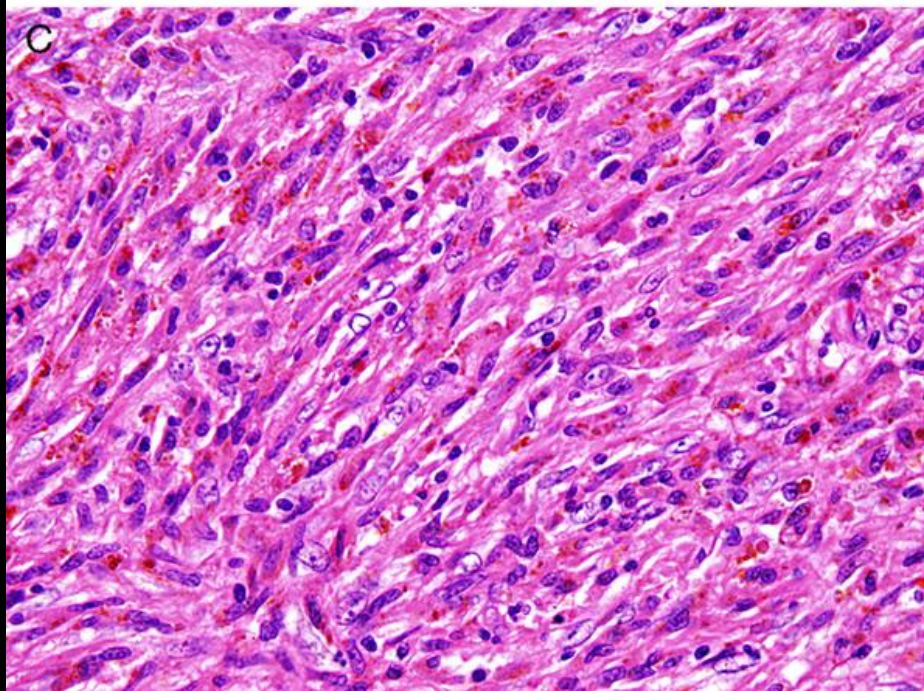
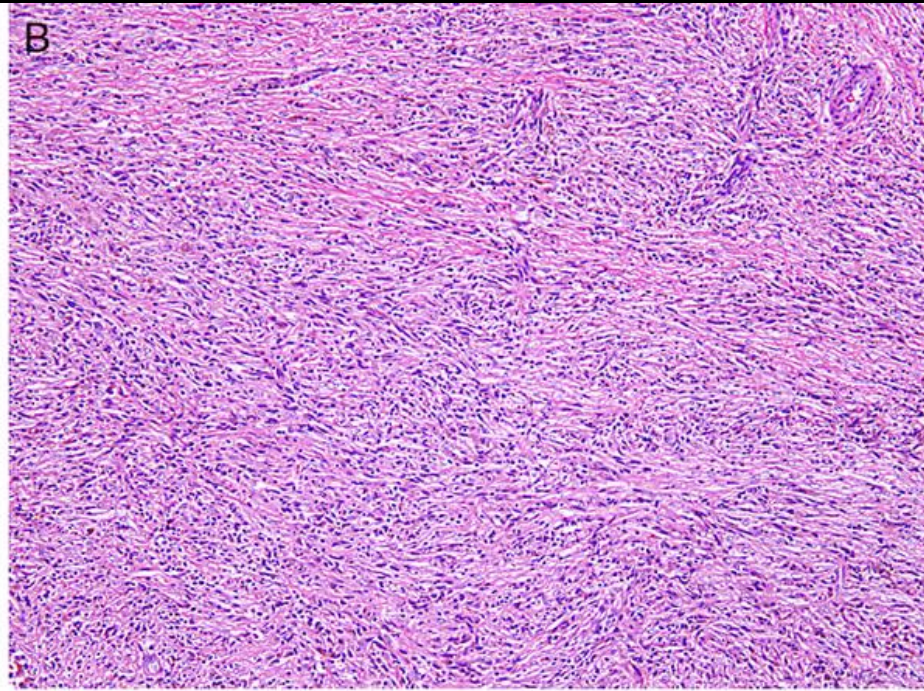
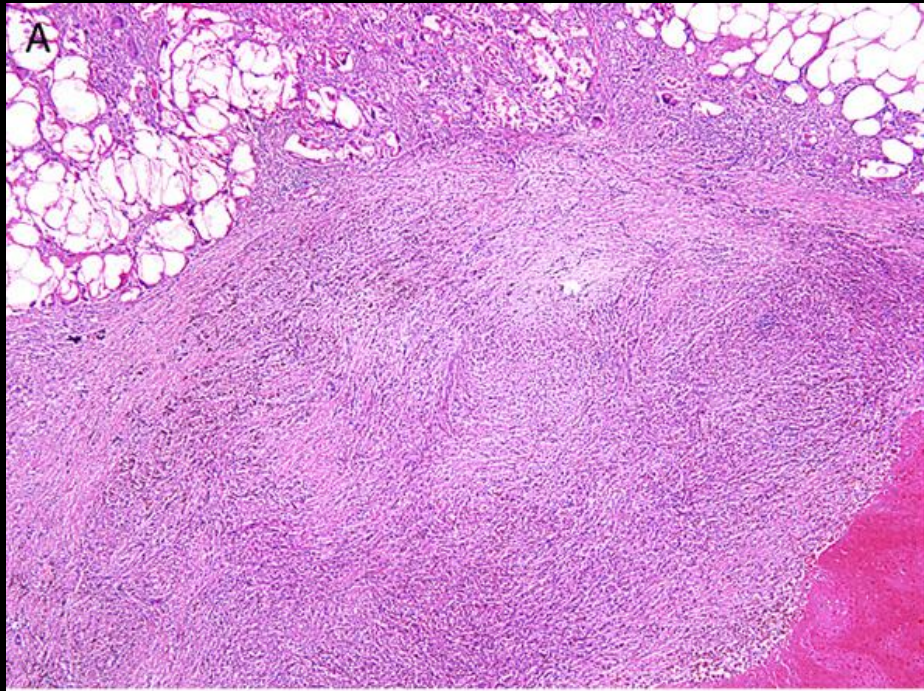
NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK

Cellular Spindled Histiocytic Pseudotumor Complicating Mammary Fat Necrosis

A Potential Diagnostic Pitfall

Andrew P. Sciallis, MD, Beiyun Chen, MD, PhD, and Andrew L. Folpe, MD

- Exaggerated histiocytic reaction to fat necrosis
- 20 cases, mean age 58 y; range, 24 to 70 y
- Moderately cellular, fascicular spindle cell proliferation
- Mitotically active
- Normochromatic, lightly eosinophilic Mild nuclear variability, folded or grooved nuclei, and indistinct nucleoli
- Admixed chronic inflammatory cells and multinucleated giant cells
- fat necrosis frequently at periphery
- CD163, CD11c, CD68, CD31



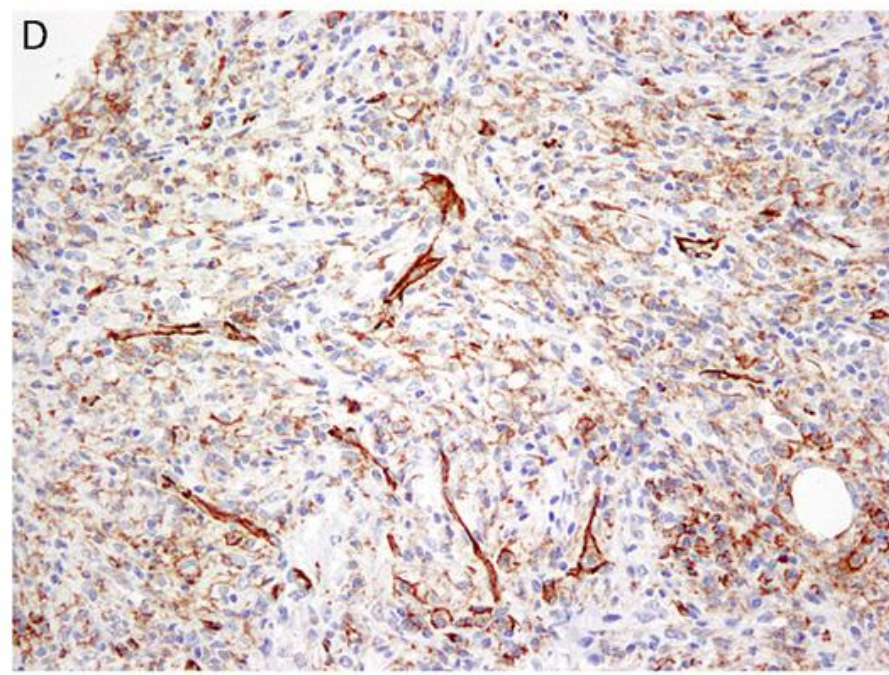
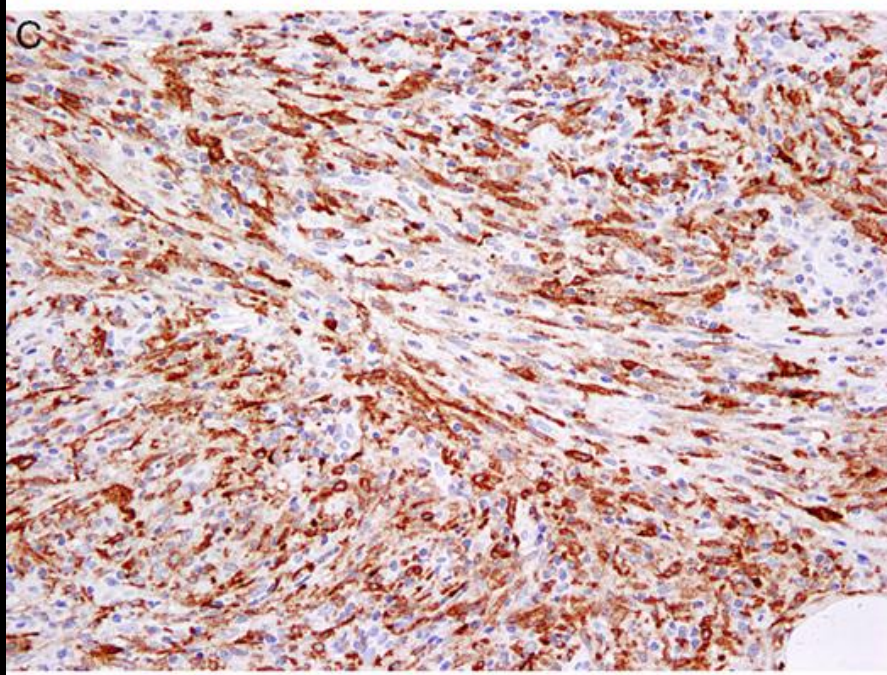
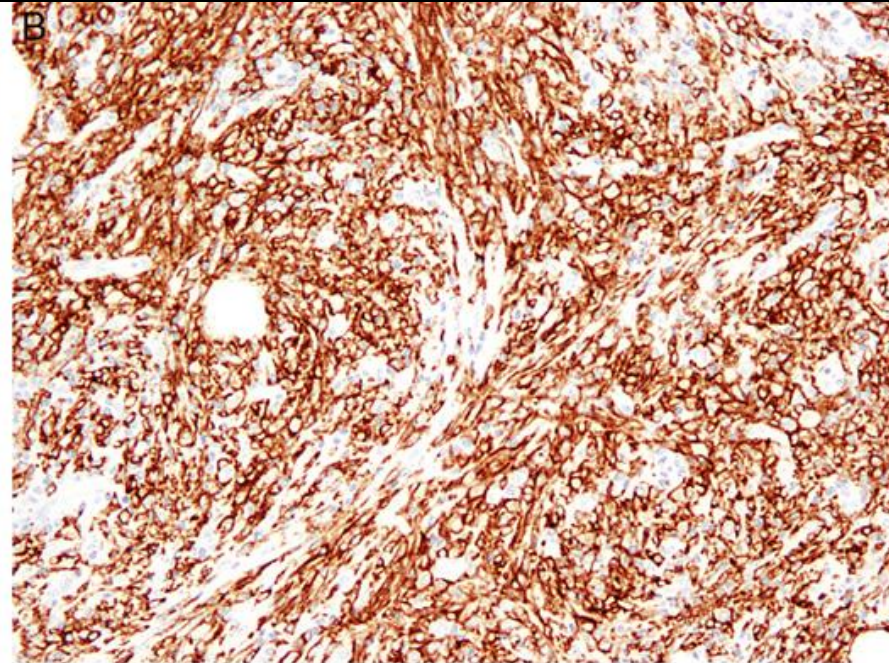
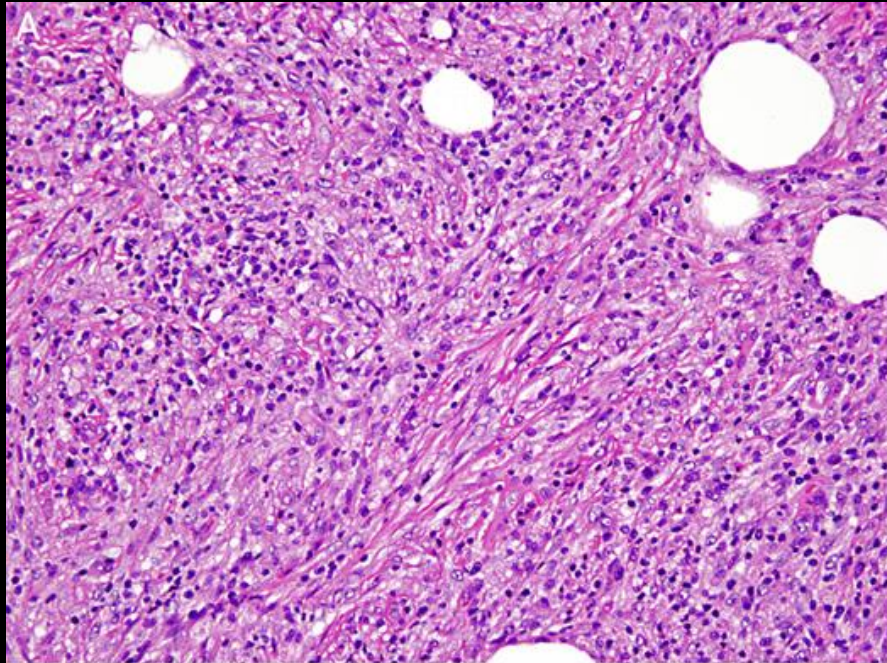


FIGURE 5 . Cellular spindled histiocytic pseudotumor (A) showing diffuse expression of CD11c (B) and CD163 (C) and weak, granular CD31 expression (D). Keratins were negative (E).

An aerial photograph showing a vast, dense crowd of people gathered on a dark, possibly wet, beach or shoreline. The crowd is composed of many small, colorful dots, creating a mosaic-like effect. In the foreground, several small, colorful boats are visible in the water, some with people inside. The text is overlaid in bright yellow, bold, capital letters.

**ON MAUNI AMAVASYA - DON'T BE
SCARED OF 20 MILLION PEOPLE
AND
ONCE IN A BLUE MOON – DON'T E SCARED
OF SPINDLE CELL LESIONS OF BREAST**

THANK YOU