GIT PATHOLOGY LAB

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Cirrhosis

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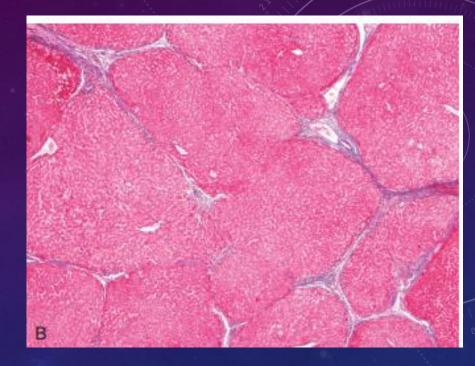


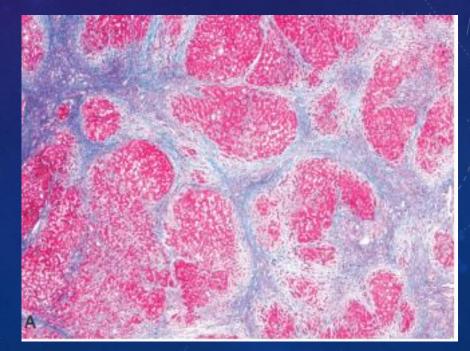
HISTOPATHOLOGY

*diffuse transformation of the entire liver into regenerative parenchymal nodules surrounded by fibrous bands.

* ductular reactions.

* (Masson trichrome stain) highlights these fibrous septa.





CLINICAL FEATURES

- 1. 40% of individuals with cirrhosis are asymptomatic until the most advanced stages of the disease.
- 2. Non specific symptoms such as anorexia, weight loss, weakness.
- 3. signs and symptoms of liver failure e.g Jaundice, encephalopathy, and coagulopathy.
- 4. Pruritus, portal hypertention (intrahepatic vascular resistance).







- 5. Hyperestrogenemia:
- due to impaired estrogen metabolism in male patients with chronic liver failure can give rise to palmar erythema (a reflection of local vasodilatation) and spider angiomas of the skin.
- Such male hyperestrogenemia also leads to hypogonadism and gynecomastia.
- 6. hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC).



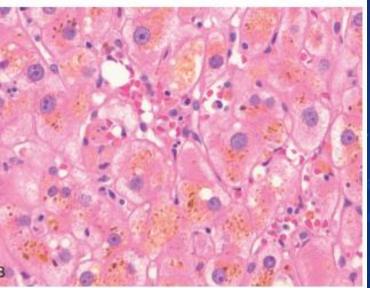


skin xanthomas (focal accumulation of cholesterol).



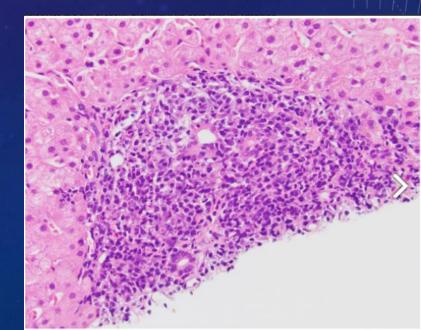
HISTOPATHOLOGY OF CHOLESTASIS

- accumulation of bile pigment within the hepatic parenchyma.
- Rupture of canaliculi leads to extravasation of bile, which is quickly phagocytosed by Kupffer cells.
- feathery degeneration:
- Droplets of bile pigment accumulate within hepatocytes, give them foamy appearance



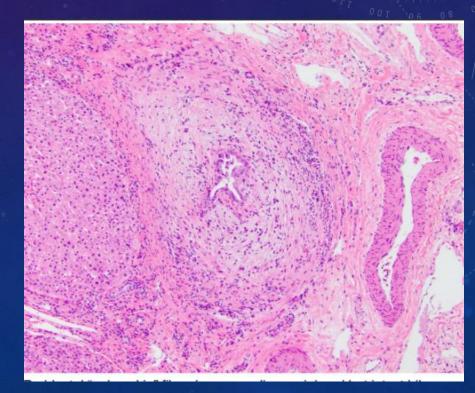
C. PRIMARY BILIARY CHOLANGITIS.

• Dense lymphocytic infiltrate in portal tracts with granulomatous destruction and loss of medium sized interlobular bile ducts, focal and variable within the liver

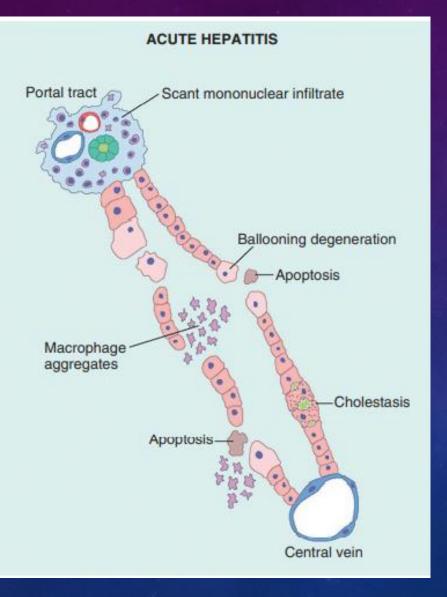


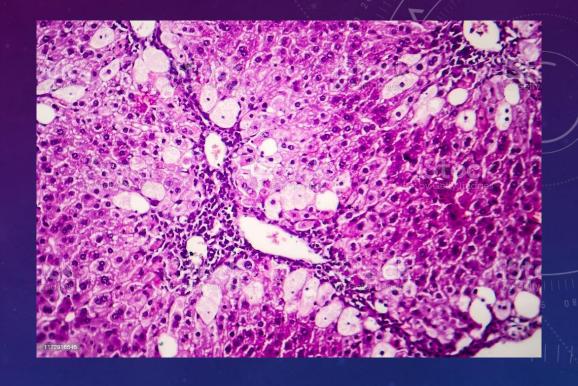
D. PRIMARY SCLEROSING CHOLANGITIS

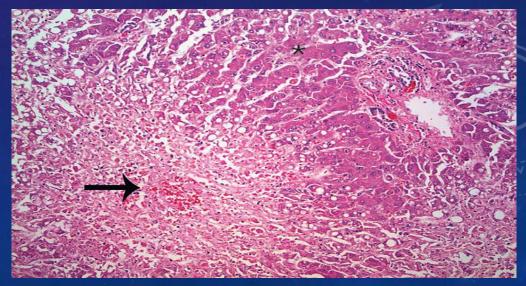
- inflammation and obliterative fibrosis of intrahepatic and extrahepatic bile ducts, leading to dilation of preserved segments.
- Classic finding is "onion skin" fibrosis around affected bile ducts

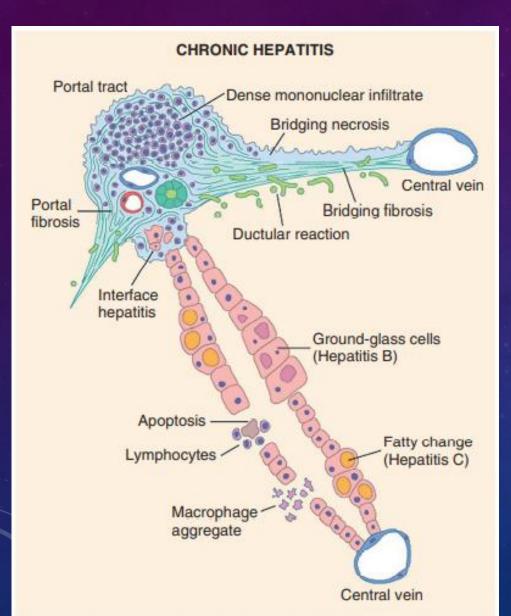


ACUTE HEPATITIS

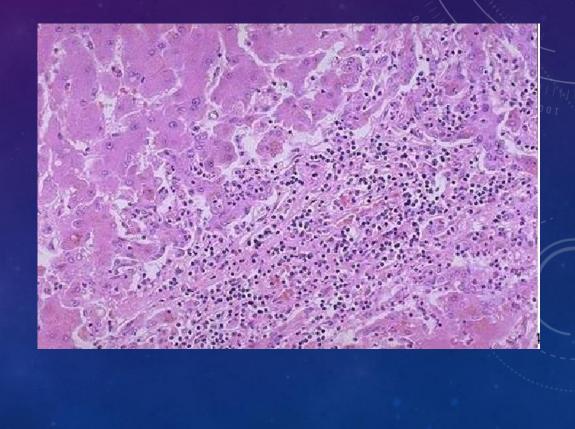








Chronic hepatitis



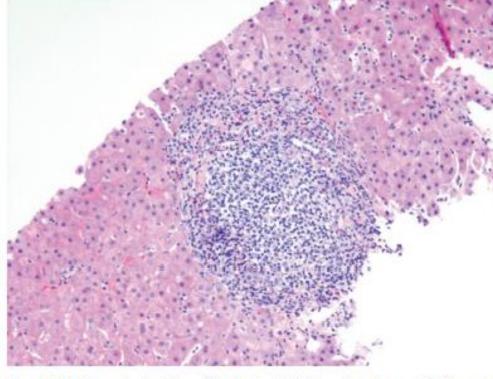


Fig. 16.15 Chronic viral hepatitis due to HCV, showing characteristic portal tract expansion by a dense lymphoid infiltrate.



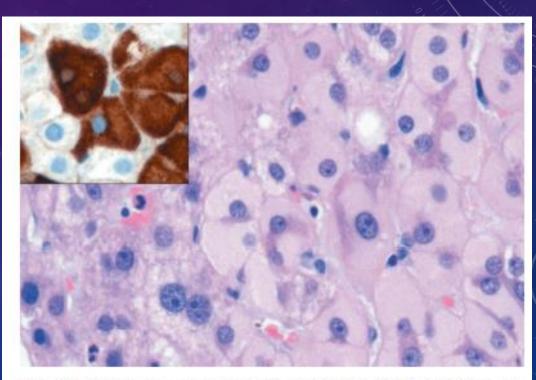
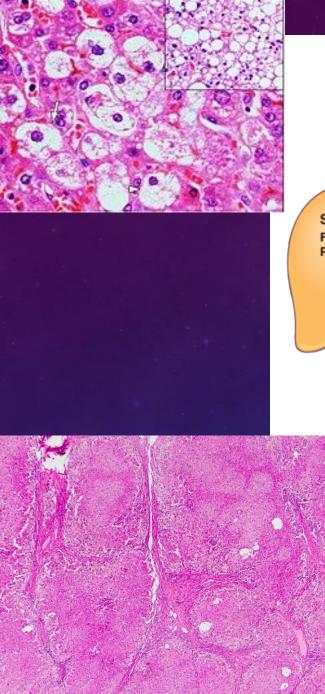
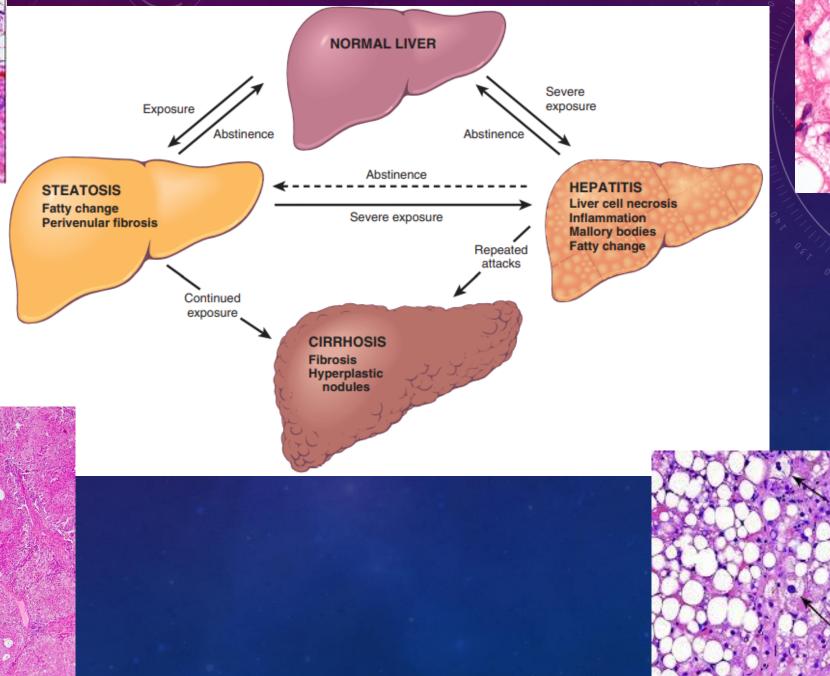


Fig. 16.14 Ground-glass hepatocytes in chronic hepatitis B, caused by accumulation of hepatitis B surface antigen. Hematoxylin-eosin staining shows the presence of abundant, finely granular pink cytoplasmic inclusions; immunostaining (inset) with a specific antibody confirms the presence of surface antigen (brown).







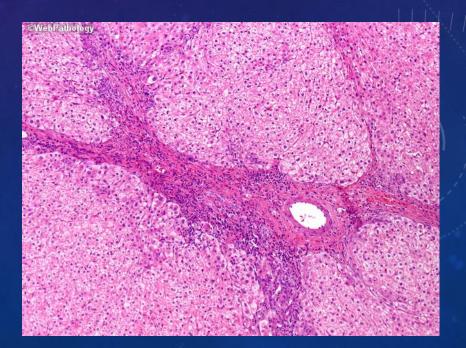
FOCAL NODULAR HYPERPLASIA: GROSS.

- well-demarcated, poorly encapsulated nodule in an otherwise normal liver.
- there is a central gray-white, depressed stellate scar from which fibrous septa radiate to the periphery.



FOCAL NODULAR HYPERPLASIA: MICROSCOPICALLY.

- the central scar contains large abnormal vessels and ductular reactions along the spokes of scar.
- The hyperplastic regions are composed of normal hepatocytes separated by thickened sinusoidal plates

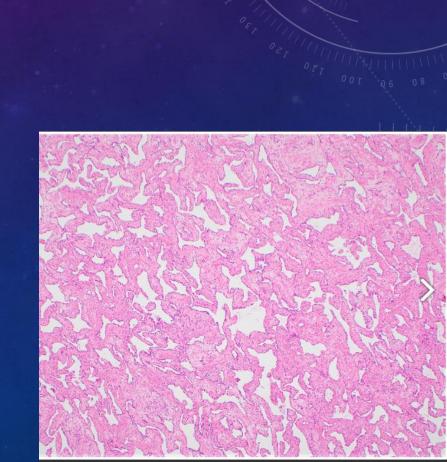


BENIGN NEOPLASMS

✤ <u>1. Cavernous hemangiomas:</u>

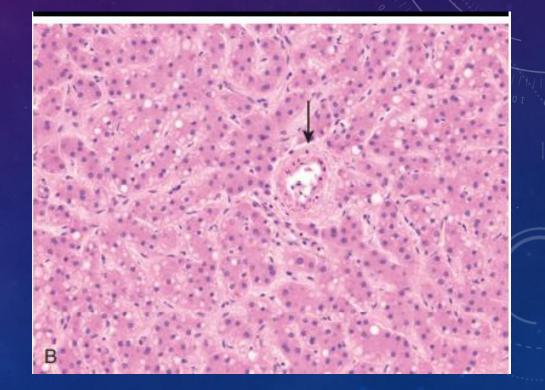
- the most common benign tumor of the liver.
- Vast majority of hemangiomas are asymptomatic and require no intervention.
- Gross description:
- Well circumscribed with red-brown, spongy / honeycombed cut surface
- Microscopic:
- Circumscribed proliferation of variably sized, dilated and thin walled vessels





. Hepatocellular Adenomas





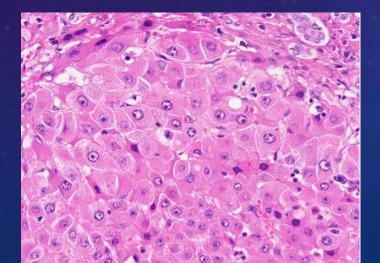
• premalignant precursors lesions of HCC:

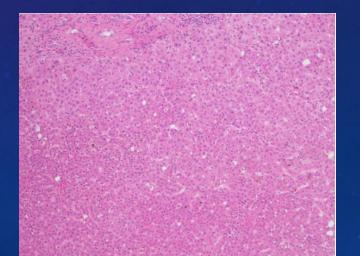
> large-cell change.:

increase in both nuclear and cytoplasmic size, preserving nuclear to cytoplasmic ratio; nuclei are hyperchromatic, pleomorphic and frequently multinucleated.

small-cell change:

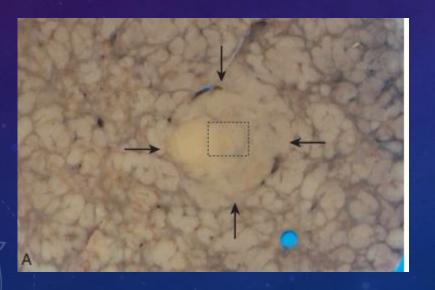
decreased cell volume, increased nuclear to cytoplasmic ratio, mild nuclear pleomorphism, hyperchromasia and cytoplasmic basophilia, giving the impression of nuclear crowding





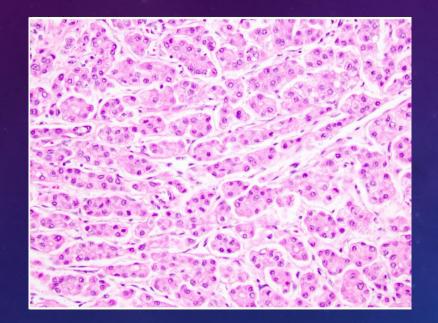
GROSS FEATURES OF HCC

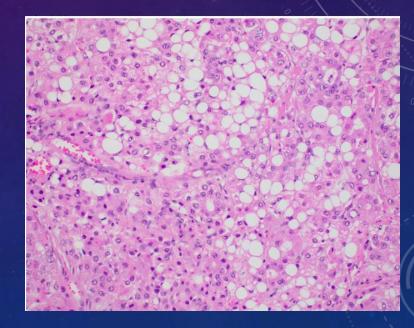
- HCC may appear grossly as:
- (1) a unifocal (usually large) mass.
- (2) multifocal, widely distributed nodules of variable size.
- (3) a diffusely infiltrative cancer,





MICROSCOPIC FEATURES OF HCC: HCCs range from : well differentiated to highly anaplastic lesions.





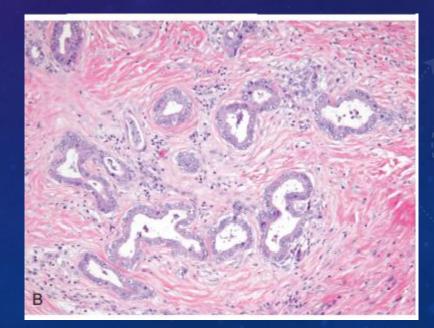
Well-differentiated HCCs are composed of cells that look like normal hepatocytes and grow as thick trabeculae

*tumor cells appear malignant on H&E and often cannot be distinguished from other poorly differentiated neoplasms;

CHOLANGIOCARCINOMA MORPHOLOGY

- Most tumors appear as firm, gray nodules within the bile duct wall.
- Cholangiocarcinomas are typical mucin-producing adenocarcinomas. Most are well to moderately differentiated, growing as glandular/tubular structures lined by malignant epithelial cells.

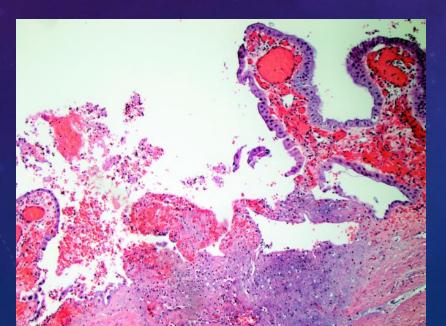


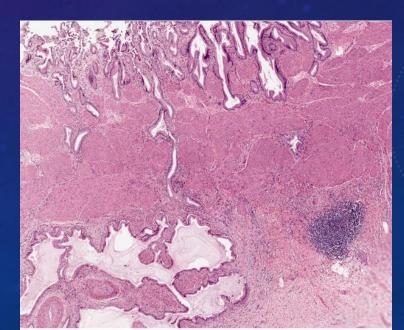


GALLBLADDER

• <u>CHOLECYSTITIS:</u>

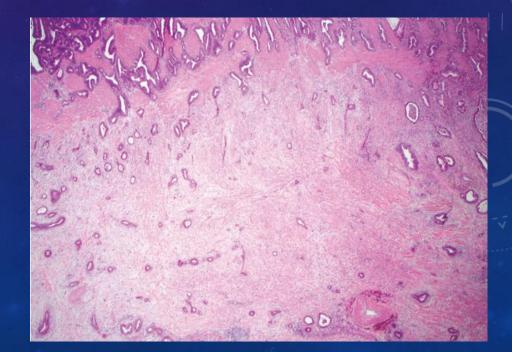
- Acute Calculous Cholecystitis: Acute inflammation of a gallbladder that contains stones.
- Chronic Cholecystitis: occur due to repeated bouts of acute cholecystitis or de novo.





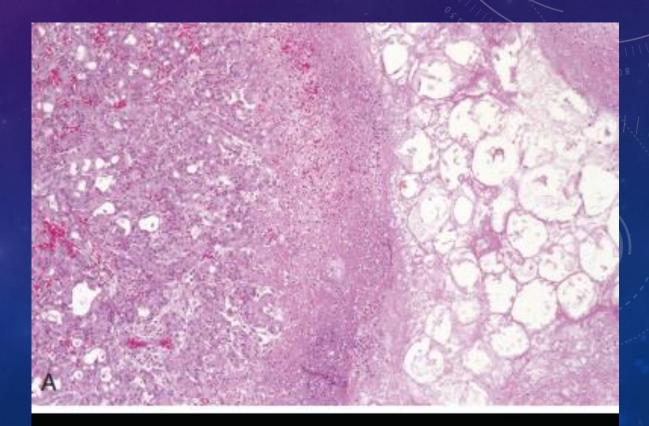
CARCINOMA OF THE GALLBLADDER:

- more common in women and occurs most frequently in the seventh decade of life.
- Presenting symptoms : abdominal pain, jaundice, anorexia, nausea and vomiting.
- Most carcinomas of the gallbladder are adenocarcinomas.



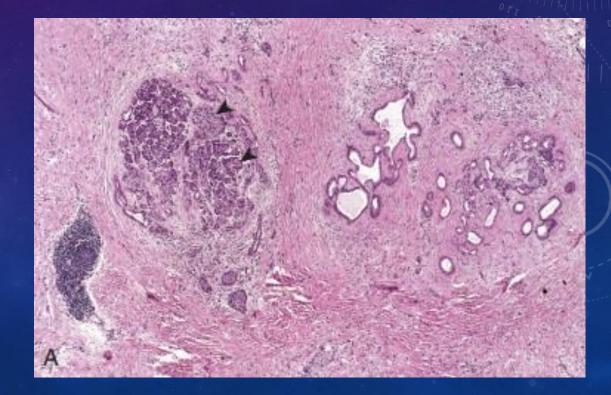
ACUTE PANCREATITIS MORPHOLOGY

- acute inflammatory cell infiltrate admixed with edema and fibrinous exudate.
- patchy necrosis.



CHRONIC PANCREATITIS MORPHOLOGY

 Chronic pancreatitis is characterized by parenchymal fibrosis, reduced number and size of acini, and variable dilation of the pancreatic ducts

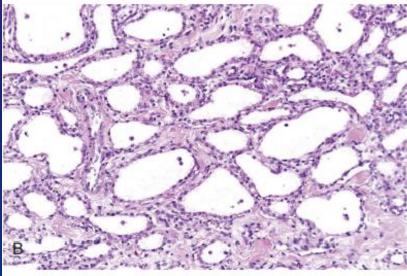


PANCREATIC NEOPLASMS: CYSTIC NEOPLASMS

• 1. <u>Serous cystadenomas :</u>

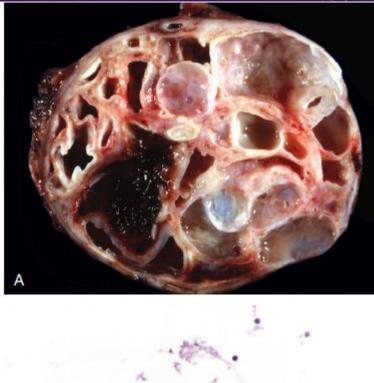
 composed of glycogen-rich cuboidal cells surrounding small cysts containing clear, straw colored fluid.

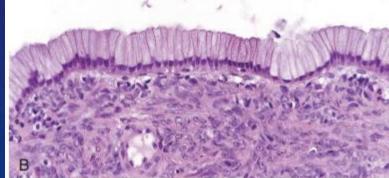




2. <u>mucinous cystic neoplasm:</u>

the cysts are lined by a columnar mucinous epithelium with an associated densely cellular stroma resembling that of the ovary.





PANCREATIC CARCINOMA MORPHOLOGY

- Carcinomas of the pancreas usually are hard, gray-white, stellate, poorly defined masses.
- On microscopic examination,:
- Moderately to poorly differentiated adenocarcinoma forming abortive glands with mucin secretion or cell clusters and exhibiting an aggressive, deeply infiltrative growth pattern

