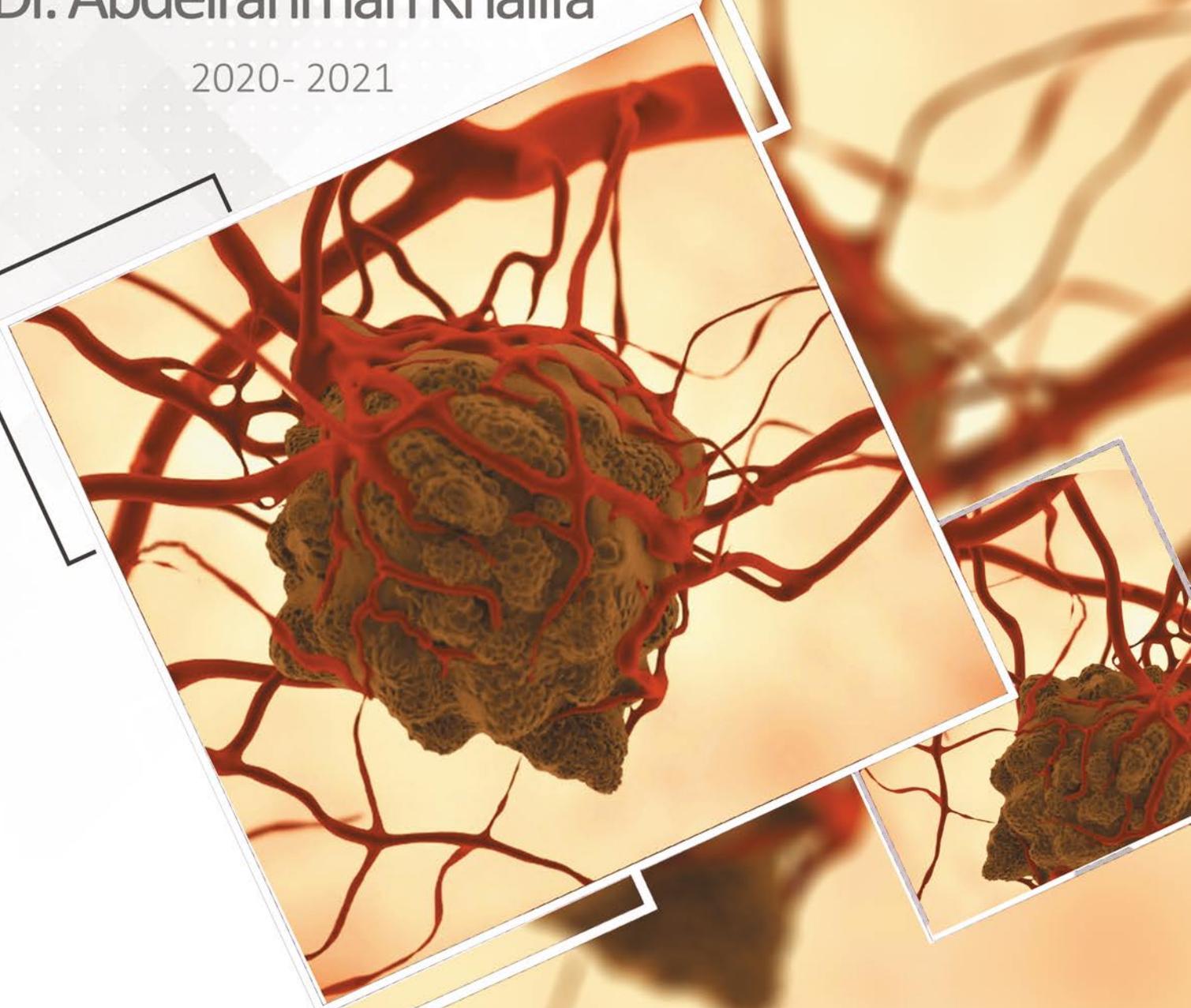


# Easy PATHOLOGY

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## Neoplasia Part 1

# Neoplasia

Mass of cells, with uncontrolled, irreversible & and unlimited proliferation

## Classifications:

### According to Behavior:

- Benign** (no invasion, no spread)
- Malignant** (invasive, with distant spread)
- Locally malignant** (invasive, with no spread)

### According to Origin:

- Epithelial**
- Mesenchymal**
- Others** (Leukemia, melanoma, Embryonic tumors)

## Microscopic features:

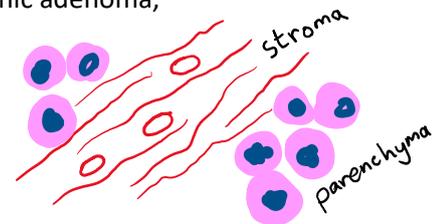
- **Structure:**

- **Parenchyma**

- Epithelial tumors: acini , papillae , sheets , or cords
- mesenchymal tumors: Bundles , whorls **with matrix** (e.g. cartilage)
- some tumors show mixed pattern (e.g. pleomorphic adenoma, fibroadenoma, carcinosarcoma)

- **Stroma** formed of:

- Collagenous fibrous tissue
  - Stimulated by b-FGF
  - Scant stroma → gives fleshy consistency (e.g. sarcoma)
  - Excess (desmoplasia) → firm gritty (e.g. scirrhous carcinoma)
- Blood vessels (newly formed by Angiogenesis from preexisting ones)

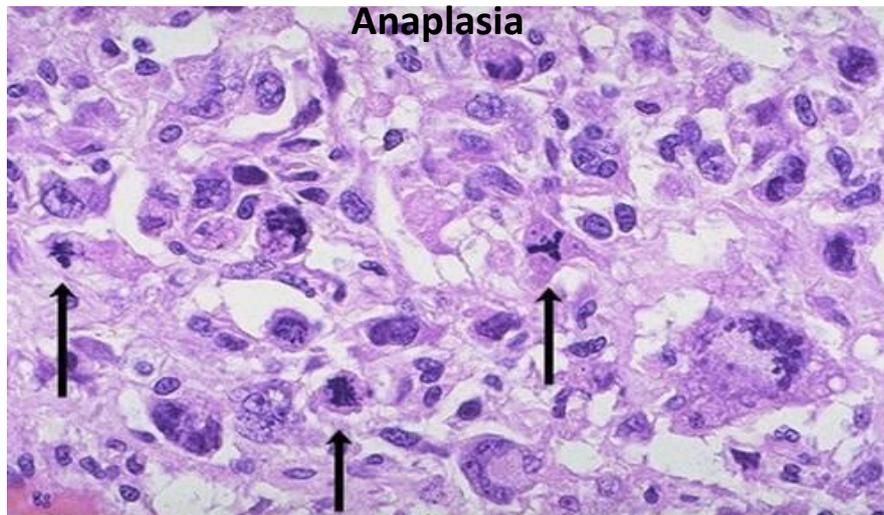


- **Differentiation similarity to origin.** Variable according to type benign or malignant differentiation is defined as the extent of morphological and functional resemblance of parenchymal tumor cells to normal cells

- **Anaplasia** loss of differentiation, with morphological abnormality

- **Pleomorphism** variable shape & size of tumor cells
- **Hyperchromatism** dark stained (increased nucleoprotein)
- **Increased N/C ratio** > 1:4
- **Frequent mitoses & Abnormal mitotic figures** (tripolar, multipolar)
- **Abnormal nuclei (Anisonucleosis)** vesicular, pleomorphic
- **Prominent & multiple nucleoli**
- **Tumor giant cells** (large cells , with multiple bizarre nuclei)
- **Loss of polarity** disturbed orientation and arrangement
- **Functional Changes** (better differentiated tumors secrete hormone, bile or keratin)
- **Chromosomal changes** (mutated genes & increased number of chromosomes → large nucleus)  
e.g. Philadelphia chromosome in Chronic myloid Leukemia

- **Inflammatory reaction** caused by **2ry infection** of ulcer - or **immune reaction** against tumor (e.g. Inflammatory cells in Seminoma)  
inflammatory reaction : chronic inflammation or granuloma



## Dysplasia

Disordered proliferation **arrangement** and **morphology** of cells but not neoplastic

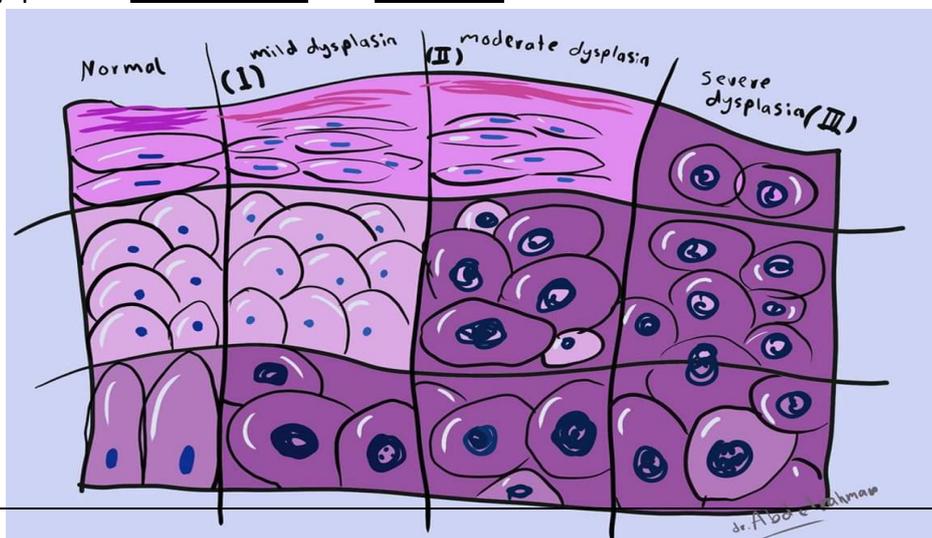
Site surface **epithelium** and glands. caused by **chronic irritation** (e.g. prolonged inflammation)

Microscopic changes : disorder of arrangement + Anaplasia (enumerate)

### Grades of dysplasia in Stratified Squamous epithelium:

- **Grade I (mild)** : dysplasia of the lower third (reversible)
- **Grade II (moderate)**: dysplasia of the lower 2/3 (reversible)
- **Grade III (severe)**: dysplasia of the full thickness → may change to Carcinoma in situ (CIS) not invading basement membrane

Fate: Dysplasia is precancerous but reversible



		Benign tumors	Malignant tumors
Behaviour	Rate of growth	<b>Slow</b> (could be <u>rapid</u> in <u>Leiomyoma</u> , which is hormonal-dependant) some tumors may <u>shrink</u> suddenly due to ischemia e.g. <u>pituitary adenoma</u>	<b>Fast</b> <u>Lead to central ischemic necrosis</u> -but Some tumors may shrink & disappear due to host immunity (e.g. <u>melanoma</u> , <u>choriocarcinoma</u> )
	Mode of growth	Expansion	Invasion and destruction
	Effect	Compression – obstruction – hormonal secretion	Same..... + effects of metastasis
	Spread & metastasis	Absent	present
	Recurrence	Not recurrent	Recurrent ( <i>why?</i> )
	Prognosis	Good prognosis	Bad prognosis
Gross	Shape & boundaries	In solid organs: Rounded – oval surface epith.: papillae - polyp	In solid organs: irregular ill-defined surface epith.: fungating – ulcer- diffuse thickening
	Capsule	<b>Capsulated</b> Except <u>leiomyoma</u> , well-demarcated by compressed tissue (false capsule)	<b>Not capsulated</b> Some are partially capsulated (e.g. <u>follicular carcinoma</u> of thyroid)
	Surrounding tissue	<b>compressed</b>	<b>infiltrated</b>
Micro	Differentiation	Well differentiated	Variable well, moderate, poor, or undifferentiated
	Anaplasia	Absent	Present
	<b>Chromosomal changes</b>	Infrequent	Present

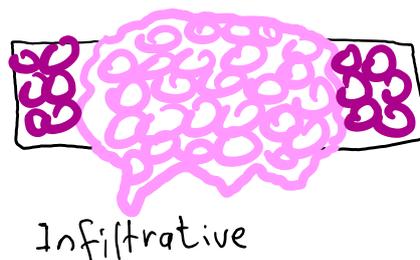
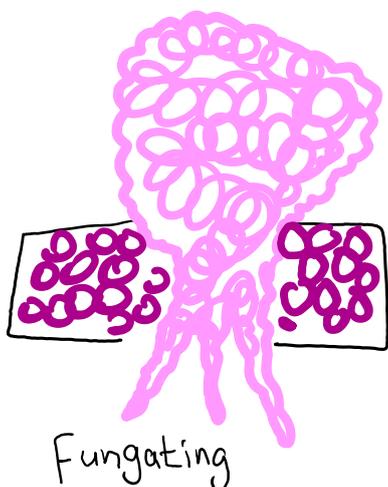


The most important feature of malignancy is **Invasion & metastasis**

		Carcinoma	Sarcoma
origin		epithelial	mesenchymal
Behaviour	Rate of growth	Less Rapid	Rapid
	Mode of growth	infiltration	Infiltration and Expansion
	Spread	Early lymphatic → late blood	Early blood spread
	Prognosis	Relatively better	worse
	incidence	More common	Less common
	Age	Old age	Young age
Gross	Size	Relatively Smaller	Large bulky mass
	Shape	In solid organs: irregular ill-defined surface epith.: fungating – ulcer- diffuse thickening	irregular ill-defined
	C/S	Grayish white (better stroma) Less necrosis and hemorrhage.	Homogenous with extensive necrosis and hge.
	Consistency	Firm	Soft fleshy
Micro	Differentiation	More	Less
	Cohesion	More cohesive Arranged in sheets, glands, cords Separated by stroma, or papillae	Less cohesive Highly cellular Individual cells
	Anaplasia	present	more
	Stroma	Less vascular Well formed fibrous stroma	highly vascular scant fibrous stroma

**N.B. Malignant ulcer :**

Raised everted edge – Necrotic hemorrhagic floor – Fixed indurated base



## Methods of spread of Malignant tumors

- Benign tumor, Locally malignant tumors , & malignant brain tumors → No spread
- The more Anaplasia & tumor size → more likely is the spread
- 30% of malignant tumors → evident metastasis & 20% → occult metastasis

### Lymphatic spread (more common in **carcinomas**)

	Lymphatic permeation	Lymphatic Embolism
<b>mechanism</b>	Proliferation of tumor cells <u>inside lymph vessel</u> as a cord	movement of tumor emboli by lymph vessels into <u>lymph nodes</u> → found <u>subcapsular</u> → then destroy L.N.
<b>Effects</b>	-Lymphatic edema - Retrograde lymphatic spread ( GIT & prostatic carcinoma → reach supra clav L.N. <u>Virchow's L.N.</u> )	-Regional LN: <u>large, firm, fixed</u> -Spread to other LNs -Late blood spread (?)

- **L.N. enlargement** in tumor is due to metastasis or Reactive Lymphadenitis and histiocytosis caused by cancer products.
- GIT and some breast carcinomas → reach both ovaries by lymphatics **Krukenberg tumor**
- **Sentinel L.N.** is the 1<sup>st</sup> L.N. receiving metastasis in regional L.N.

### Hematogenous spread (early in **sarcomas**)

#### Mechanism:

- **Direct invasion** of blood vessels (mostly veins) → tumor embuls covered by platelets as a thrombus → reach distant site → early blood spread (common in **sarcoma**).  
*Invasion of arteries is rare because of thick wall and elastic lamina*
- **Lymphatic spread** → late blood spread (**carcinoma**)
- Some **carcinomas** invade blood vessels: **Thyroid, HCC, RCC, prostatic Renal cell carcinoma** often invades renal vein to inferior vena cava

#### Common Sites of metastasis:

- **Lung** Receive metastasis from tumors drained by systemic veins e.g. **RCC** invades renal vein → inferior vena cava → right side of the heart
- **Liver** Receive metastasis from organs drained by portal vein (GIT)
- **Bone & Brain**

#### Organ Tropism

- Arrest of tumor emboli in vessels of specific organs by binding between adhesion molecules of tumor cells and specific receptors on target endothelium
- **Thyroid, Lung, breast, renal, & prostatic carcinomas** → bone metastasis
- **Sarcomas** → bone, Liver and Lung metastasis
- **Bronchial carcinoma** → Brain, liver and adrenal metastasis
- **Seminoma & RCC** → Lung metastasis



spleen ,heart & skeletal muscles do **not allow** tumor metastasis to grow

## Spread through body cavities

- **Serous sac (Transceolomic):**  
e.g. ovarian tumors → peritoneal , mesothlioma → pleural ,  
GIT tumors → ovarian implantation (**Krukenberg tumor**)
- **CSF :** e.g. medulloblastoma → implanted in meninges

## Perineural

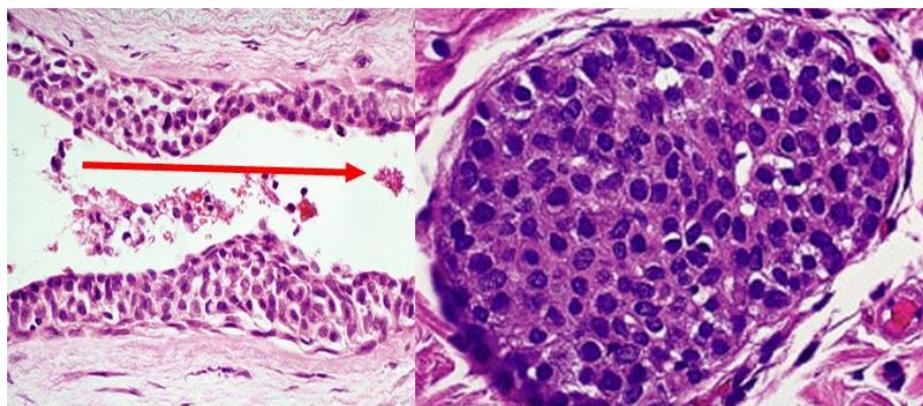
Prostatic, Pancreatic, and Parotid adenoid cystic carcinoma → secrete **MMPs** →  
invade nerve → Pain. Poor prognosis

Direction of growth is controlled by Growth factors secreted by tumor (towards the  
weakest point)



## Intraepithelial (canalicular)

- **Duct carcinoma** may reach lobules through ducts
- **Endometrial carcinoma** reach ovaries through Fallopian tube
- **Renal Cell Carcinoma** reach urinary tract through ureter



# Epithelial Tumors

## Papilloma

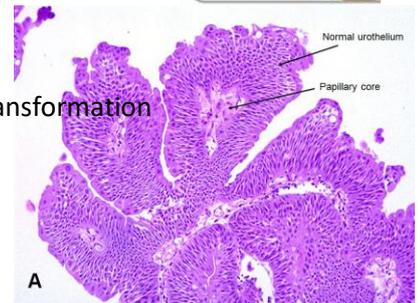
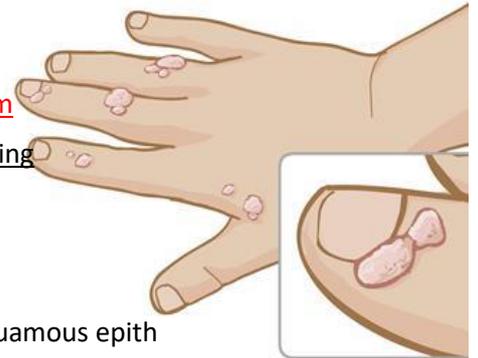
Benign tumor of surface epithelium

**Gross:** papillae (*pedunculated – sessile*) - Single or multiple branching

**Micro:**

- **Core:** vascular fibrous tissue
- **Covered:** by proliferated epithelium
  - Squamous Cell Papilloma → covered by str. Squamous epith
  - Transitional Cell Papilloma → transitional
  - Columnar Cell Papilloma → columnar

**Complications** ulceration → bleeding & 2ry infection . Malignant transformation



## Adenoma

Benign tumor of glandular epithelium

**Sites**

- Glands (*endocrine – exocrine*): breast, thyroid, ovary, salivary...etc.
- GIT : Gastric ,intestinal, colonic & bronchi

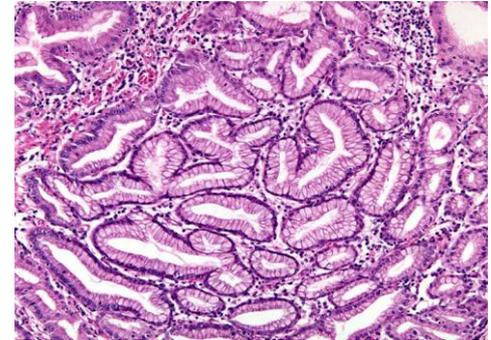
**Gross**

- Capsulated well defined in solid organs
- Polyp in GIT
- Cystic containing secretion, or papillary cystic

**Micro:** glandular tissue & stroma

**Complications**

- Secretion of hormones (*e.g. thyroid adenoma*)
- Malignant transformation (*GIT adenomas are precancerous*)



## Squamous cell carcinoma SCC

Malignant tumor of stratified Squamous epithelium

**Sites:** str. Sq. epithelium (*enumerate?*) - On top of squamous metaplasia

**Gross:**

**Fungating, Ulcer:** inverted edge , necrotic floor ,hard base, **infiltrating**

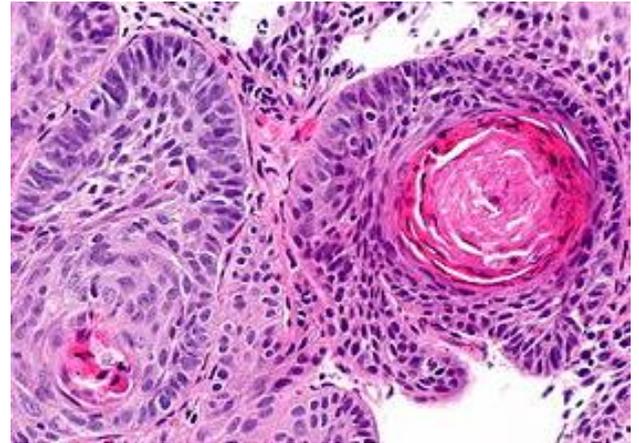
**Micro:**

- masses of malignant str. Sq. epith.
- variable in shape and size
- may show keratinized nests
- separated by stroma



### Broder's grading:

- **Grade I:** 50% - 100% of masses → cell nest
- **Grade II:** 25% - 50% of masses → cell nest
- **Grade III:** less than 25% of masses → cell nest
- **Grade IV:** no cell nest



## Carcinoma in situ (CIS)

Malignant epithelial changes, before invasion of basement membrane

**Sites:** glandular & surface epithelium: e.g. Breast, Bladder, Bronchi, Cervix, Skin... etc.

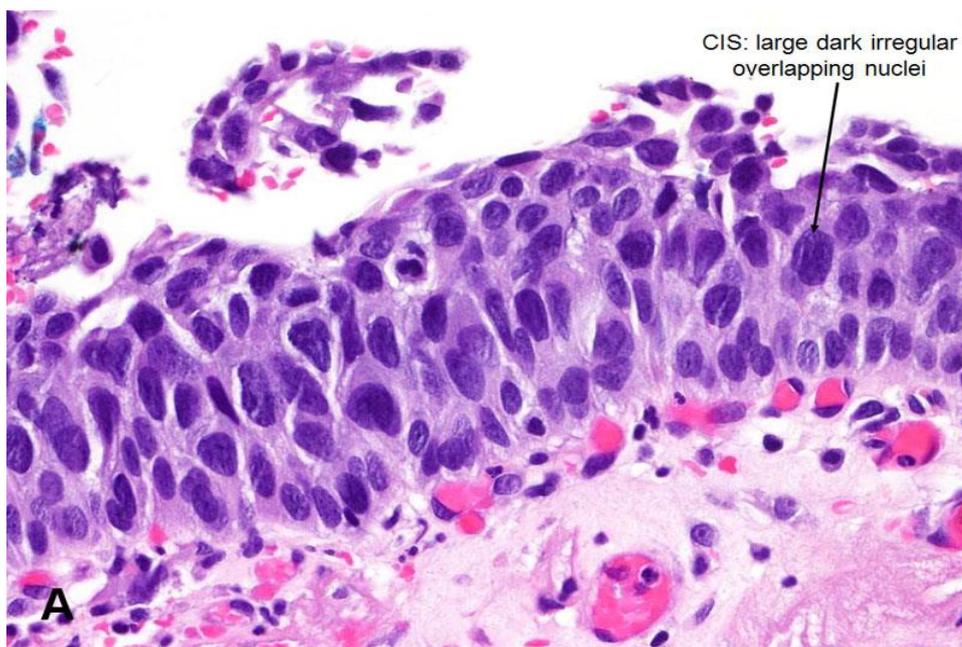
### Micro:

Anaplasia (*enumerate..?*)

Loss of polarity (i.e. irregular arrangement of cells)

Basement membrane is intact

**Fate:** Invasive Carcinoma *after few years*



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## Basal cell carcinoma

Locally malignant 'Rodent ulcer' (the most common malignant of skin)

**Sites:** Skin (**upper part of the face**, around the eye), neck, back, shoulder, hands  
**the commonest site:** above a line drawn from angle of mouth to ear lobule. (sun exposed)

**P.F.** U.V. rays, Arsenic, radiation, Fair white people, more in males

### Gross:

- Red nodule (sometimes brown)
- Ulcer: inverted rolled in edge – necrotic floor – fixed base

### Micro:

Malignant Cells with scant cytoplasm:

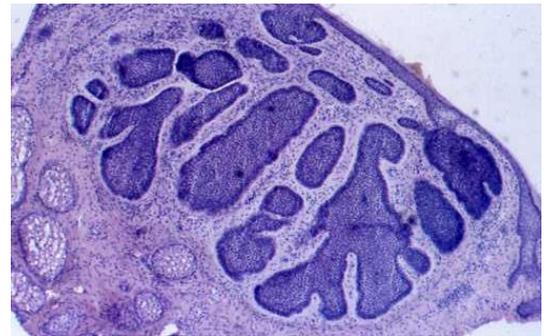
- Forming basaloid masses
- Peripheral pallisading
- Surrounded by stroma
- Melanin pigment



### Complications

Local invasion

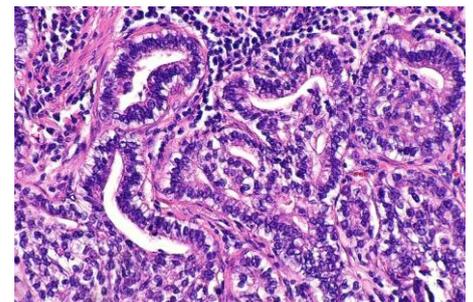
2ry infection of deep ulcers → lymphadenitis



## Glandular-carcinoma

**Adenocarcinoma** 'Malignant tumor of glands'

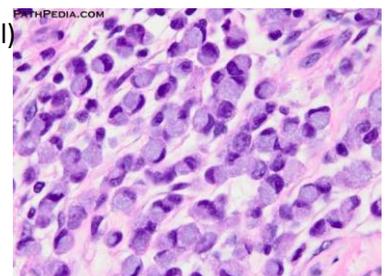
- Well deffrentiated : malignant **acini** & stroma
- Poorly differentiated : malignant cells, less **acini**



**Mucoid** : extracellular mucin lakes & malignant glands (e.g. colorectal carcinoma)

**Signet ring**: adeocarcinoma, with intracellular mucin (signet ring cell)

e.g. Gastric carcinoma & Krukenberg  
local spread is more aggressive



## C.T. Tumors

**Benign:** e.g. Lipoma, fibroma

**Gross:** Capsulated well defined . **micro:** similar to origin

**Malignant:** Sarcomas

## Haemangioma

The **most common** benign tumor

**Sites:** Subcutaneous – organs (*e.g.liver*)

**Gross:**

**shape:** irregular patch or swelling **color:** red, brown, blue

**Micro:**

- Vascular spaces lined with endothelium, containing RBCs
  - Small spaces in **Capillary hemangioma**\_(usually in skin)
  - Larger spaces in **Cavernous hemangioma**\_(skin < organs as liver and tongue)
- Fibrous stroma between vessels



## Lymphangioma

tumor forming vascular spaces containing lymph

**Sites:** Head , neck (**Cystic hygroma** of newborn) , Submucous (lip, and tongue) – organs (*e.g.liver, spleen*)

**Gross:**

**shape:** patch or swelling **capsule:** absent **color:** pale

**Macro-glossia:** enlarged tongue , **macro-chelia:** enlarged lips

**Micro:**

- Vascular spaces lined with flat endothelium, containing Lymph & lymphocytes
  - Small spaces in **Capillary lymphangioma**
  - Larger spaces in **Cavernous lymphangioma**
- Fibrous stroma between spaces



## Nevus

Benign tumor of melanocytes

**Gross:** well defined Flat or elevated papule, brown or black

**Microscopic Types:** junctional – compound - intradermal



## Melanoma

malignant tumor of melanocytes

**Gross:** nodule or malignant ulcer

**Microscopic:** malignant melanocytes, invading dermis

prognosis depends on **depth of invasion**

## Teratoma

Composite tumor, forming **ectodermal**, **mesodermal**, and **endodermal** tissues, not related to site of origin

**Origin:** Totipotent stem cell

- **Embryonic rests** : present in midline & congenital
- **Germ cell** → gonadal & acquired

**Types:**

- **Mature (benign)** well differentiated mixed tissue
- **Immature (malignant)** immature fetal tissue
- **Mature with malignant transformation** (e.g. mature with **squamous cell carcinoma** or adenocarcinoma)
- **Mono-dermal** single type of mature tissue not related to site of origin  
e.g. Struma-ovarii (normal thyroid tissue in ovary)



## Embryonic tumors

**Malignant** tumor of embryonic tissue in children less than 5 years

**Origin:** Embryonic cells (partially differentiated cells)

**Micro:** **Blastemal cells** : small rounded or oval– dark nuclei

**Types:**

- Medulloblastoma (Cerebellum)
- Retinoblastoma (eye)
- Hepatoblastoma (liver)
- Neuroblastoma (adrenal medulla) **the most common**
- Nephroblastoma or Wilm's tumor (renal)



## Hamartoma

Tumor-like mass of disorganized mature tissue

- Lung hamartoma: bronchi, vessels, and cartilage
- Liver hamartoma: Liver cells , bile ducts, & vessels

**Choristoma (heterotopia):** congenital ectopic tissue , e.g. pancreatic tissue in stomach

## Locally malignant tumors

- Slower rate of growth
- Local invasion
- Rare distant spread
- Morphologically similar to malignant
- Better prognosis
- Includes:
  - Adamentenoma
  - Astrocytoma grade II
  - Basal cell carcinoma
  - Carcinoid
  - Desmoid tumor
  - Giant cell tumor (Osteoclastoma )

### Grading of malignant tumor:

is microscopic evaluaton of differentiation (similarity to origin) ,depends on similarity to origin and mitosis

**I:** well differentiated

**II:** moderately differentiated    **III:** poorly diff.    **IV:** undefferentiated

**Staging of malignant tumor:** is evaluation of extension and spread , which is much more important than grading, and requires clinical and radiological investigations. requires Radiology (CT, MRI, Pet) + Clinical + pathological examination

### TNM system

**T:** tumor size & extent, **N:** number of affected LNs , **M:** distant blood metastasis

**Tis:** CIS    **T1:** <2cm    **T2:** 2-5 cm    **T3:** 5-10cm    **T4:** >10 cm

**N0:** no LN mets.    **N1:** regional LN    **N2:** extensive regional LN mets.    **N3:** distant LN mets.

**M0:** no distant spread    **M1:** distant blood spread

**1-Pigmented malignant ulcer in the face could be one of the following (Except)**

- a-Melanoma
- b-Basal cell carcinoma
- c- Hemangioma
- d-none

**2- Staging of malignant tumors evaluates :**

- a-differentiation
- b-necrosis
- c- a&b
- d- tumor extension

**3- Signet ring carcinoma is a type of:**

- a-Squamous cell carcinoma
- b-Adenocarcinoma
- c- Anaplastic carcinoma
- d- none of the above

**4-Hamartoma is:**

- a-Mixed germ cell tumor
- b-Malignant
- c-Tumor like developmental abnormality
- d-Locally malignant

**5-Krukenberg tumor is:**

- A-Peritoneal sarcoma
- b-Benign ovarian tumor
- c- Gastric carcinoma
- d- all of the above

**6-All are embryonic tumors (except):**

- a-Nephroblastoma
- b-Hepatoblastoma
- c- Embryonal rhabdomyosarcoma
- d- Teratoma

**7-Virchow's lymph node , all of the following are true (except):**

- a-induced by lymphatic embolism
- b-Left supraclavicular
- c- Gastric carcinoma is the origin
- d- Enlarged and fixed

**8-Sarcoma is :**

- a-Malignant of epithelium
- b-common to form malignant ulcer
- c- Highly vascular
- d- Common below 6 years

**9-The following feature is characteristic for Basal cell carcinoma :**

- a-Keratinized nests
- b-Blood metastasis is common
- c- Pallisading
- d- Skin is not the only site of origin

**10-All The following tumors send metastasis (Except):**

- a-Gastric carcinoma
- b-Adamantinoma
- c- Broncheogenic carcinoma
- d- Squamous cell carcinoma

**11-The following are complications of benign tumors (except):**

- a-hormonal imbalance
- b-Obstruction of tubes
- c- Hepatic metastasis
- d- Compression of vital organs

**12-Struma ovarii is an ovarian tumor showing:**

- A-Metastatic thyroid tissue
- b-normal thyroid tissue
- c- Immature teratoma
- d- Hamartoma

**13-Broder's grading of Squamous cell carcinoma depends on:**

- A-Invasion
- b-Keratinized cell nests

c- Metastasis

d- Inflammation

**14- The most reliable prognostic factor of melanoma:**

A-Vertical thickness

b-Radial diameter

c- Darkness of color

d- Anaplasia

**15- Which of the following lesions is locally malignant:**

A-Giant cell tumor

b-Endometrial hyperplasia

c- Congenital nevus

d- Hemangioma

**True/ False:**

- 1- Stage T2 N2 M0 has better prognosis than stage T3 N0 M0
- 2- Spindle cell sarcoma is a well differentiated sarcoma
- 3- Teratoma is epithelial in origin
- 4- Carcinoma in situ has local invasion without distant metastasis
- 5- The commonest site of cystadenoma is the breast
- 6- Adenocarcinoma has better prognosis than mucoid carcinoma
- 7- Papilloma is a benign capsulated tumor
- 8- Desmoplasia is an extensive fibrous reaction inside tumor
- 9- Mucoid carcinoma has better prognosis than adenocarcinoma
- 10- Prostatic carcinoma is painful due to perineural invasion
- 11- Virchow's L.N. is a result of retrograde lymphatic permeation
- 12- Some malignant tumors may reach the brain without lung metastasis
- 13- Krukenberg tumor is a bilateral ovarian metastasis of gastric carcinoma
- 14- Sarcomas are commonly sending metastasis to L.N.s
- 15- Malignant ulcer has undermined edges & smooth floor

**Q1: A female patient has a small benign pigmented lesion on the face:**

**What is the diagnosis?**

What are the histologic type of this lesion?

What are the clinical sign, which indicate malignant transformation in this lesion?

**Q2: A child has a malignant tumor of the eye globe, inoculation was done, histologic examination of the tumor shows infiltration by malignant small round cells:**

What is the diagnosis?

What is the most important risk factor for this lesion?

What is the cell of origin of this lesion?

Enumerate other four sites of this lesion originating from the same cell of origin?

### MCQ

**Q1: Choristoma is:**

- a) Benign tumor
- b) Locally malignant
- c) Tumor like
- d) Highly malignant
- e) Carcinoma in situ

**Q2: The commonest site of signet ring carcinoma is:**

- a) Stomach
- b) Breast
- c) Liver
- d) Lung
- e) Urinary bladder

**Q3: A benign tumor in the uterine myometrium is:**

- a) Rhabdomyoma
- b) Chondroma
- c) Fibroma
- d) Leiomyoma
- e) lipoma

**Q4: A biopsy from the cervix (cervical biopsy) showing dysplastic squamous epithelial cell occupying the entire thickness of epithelium with no evidence epithelial maturation and intact basement membrane is called as:**

- a) Atypical hyperplasia
- b) Mild to moderate dysplasia
- c) Moderate to severe dysplasia
- d) Carcinoma in situ

**Q5: A 50-year-old female present with a breast lump. Excisional biopsy was done and revealed malignant cells arranged in masses, clusters, cords with occasional glandular differentiation. These malignant cells were surrounded by dense collagenous stroma. Which of the following terms best describes the surrounding stroma?**

- a) Anaplasia
- b) Desmoplasia
- c) Well differentiation
- d) Dedifferentiation

**Q6: The term desmoplasia refers to:**

- a) An irregular accumulation of blood vessels
- b) Maturation of spatial arrangement of cells
- c) Metastatic involvement of surrounding tissue
- d) Normal tissue misplaced within another organ
- e) Proliferation of non-neoplastic fibrous tissue

**Q7: which of the following describes the histologic features choristoma?**

- a) Benign neoplasm of glandular epithelium
- b) Ectopic island of normal tissue
- c) Benign neoplasm formed of benign tissue of all 3 germ like
- d) Disorganised normal tissue that form a localized mass
- e) Aggregate of epitheloid cells and chronic inflammatory cells

**Q8: A 20-year-old female has an ovarian mass removed. The mass is 10 cm in diameter and cystic on cut section. The cavity was filled with hair and sebaceous like material. Histologic examination revealed a cyst wall lined by stratified squamous epithelium and show cartilage, fat, respiratory epithelium and salivary gland tissue. What is the diagnosis of such tumor?**

- a) Teratoma
- b) Chondroma
- c) Hamartoma
- d) Choristoma
- e) Blastoma

**Q9: Locally aggressive tumours are:**

- a) Malignant tumours that invade locally & very rarely can metastasize
- b) Malignant tumours that are small in size & spread only to very near lymph nodes
- c) Benign tumours showing some cytological criteria of malignancy but not all of them
- d) Mixed tumours with both epithelial & mesenchymal cell of origin

**Q10: benign tumours that can turn malignant:**

- a) Melanoma & hepatoma
- b) Haemangioma & leiomyoma
- c) Colonic adenoma & neurofibroma
- d) Liver haemangioma & liver cell adenoma
- e) Seminoma & lymphoma

**Q11: A 67-year-old female was diagnosed as having papillary serous cystadenocarcinoma of the ovary. She was dead and autopsy revealed multiple scattered tiny masses on the peritoneal surface with presence of marked ascites. Which of the following routes of metastases accounts for the autopsy findings?**

- a) Direct extension of the tumour
- b) Haematogenous spread
- c) Lymphatic spread
- d) Transcoelomic spread

**Q12: An 80-year-old male had been diagnosed as having prostatic adenocarcinoma. Histologic grading of the patient's carcinoma is based primarily on which of the following criteria?**

- a) Lung metastases
- b) Invasion of prostatic capsule
- c) Extent of lymph nodes involvement by malignant glands
- d) Resemblance to normal prostatic tissue
- e) Volume of prostatic gland involvement by the tumour

**Q13: A 60-year-old man with hilar lung mass that was diagnosed as having squamous cell carcinoma of the main bronchus by biopsy and pathologic examination. If staging of this tumour following resection and further investigation was denoted as T1 N1 M1, which of the following findings is mostly likely present in this man?**

- a) Brain metastases
- b) Infiltration of chest wall
- c) Elevation of corticotropin
- d) Poorly differentiated tumour cells
- e) Extensive lymph node infiltration