

# GIST 201: Why Pathology & Your Pathologist Matters (or, That Mysterious Doctor You Never Meet)



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# ***GIST Pathology: Lecture Overview***

- 1. What happens to my tumor in pathology?**
- 2. What information is in my pathology report?**
- 3. Why is this information there?**
- 4. What is the evidence that the information is useful?**

***What happens to my tumor in pathology?***



**Tumor is examined by a pathologist.**

**Tumor sample is received from the OR and logged into computer.**



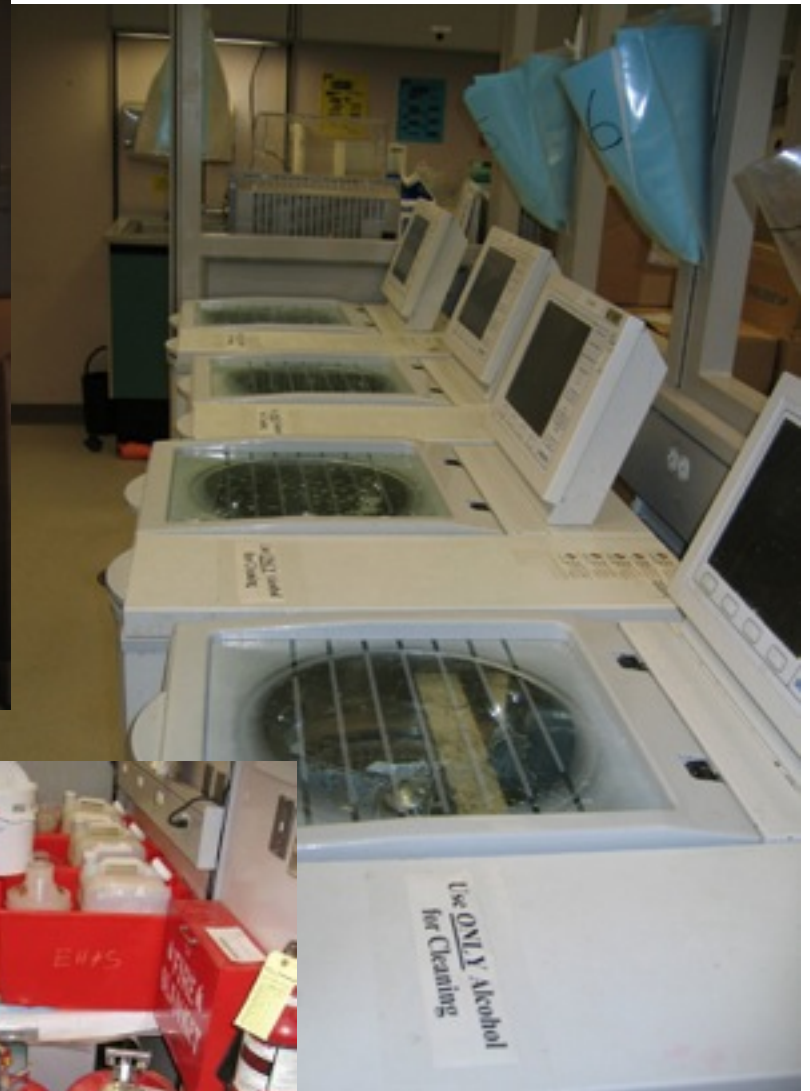


**Tumor is sampled and placed in plastic cassettes for further processing.**

**Tumor is also given to cytogenetics, tumor bank, molecular diagnosis and electron microscopy when appropriate.**



**The tissue blocks are fixed in formalin and then loaded on a tissue processor overnight.**



**Tissue processing is done overnight and utilizes graded treatments of formalin, ethanol, xylene and paraffin.**

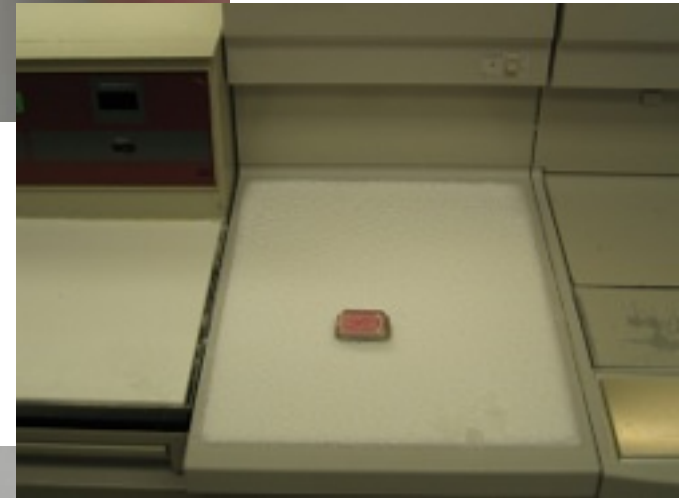




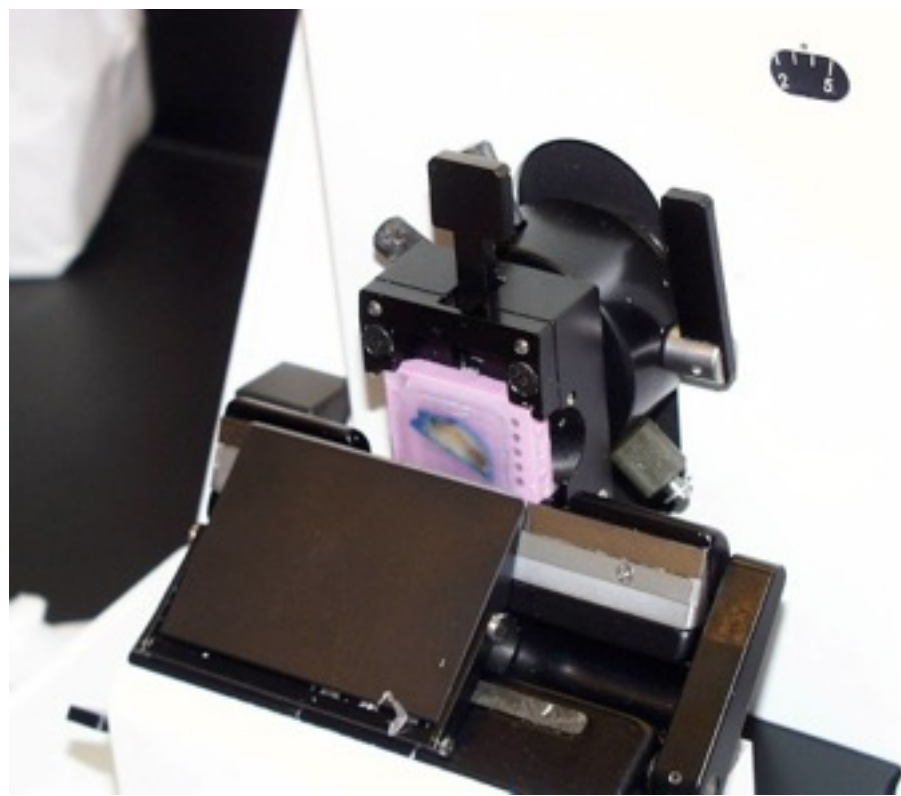
**Blocks are retrieved from the tissue processor.**



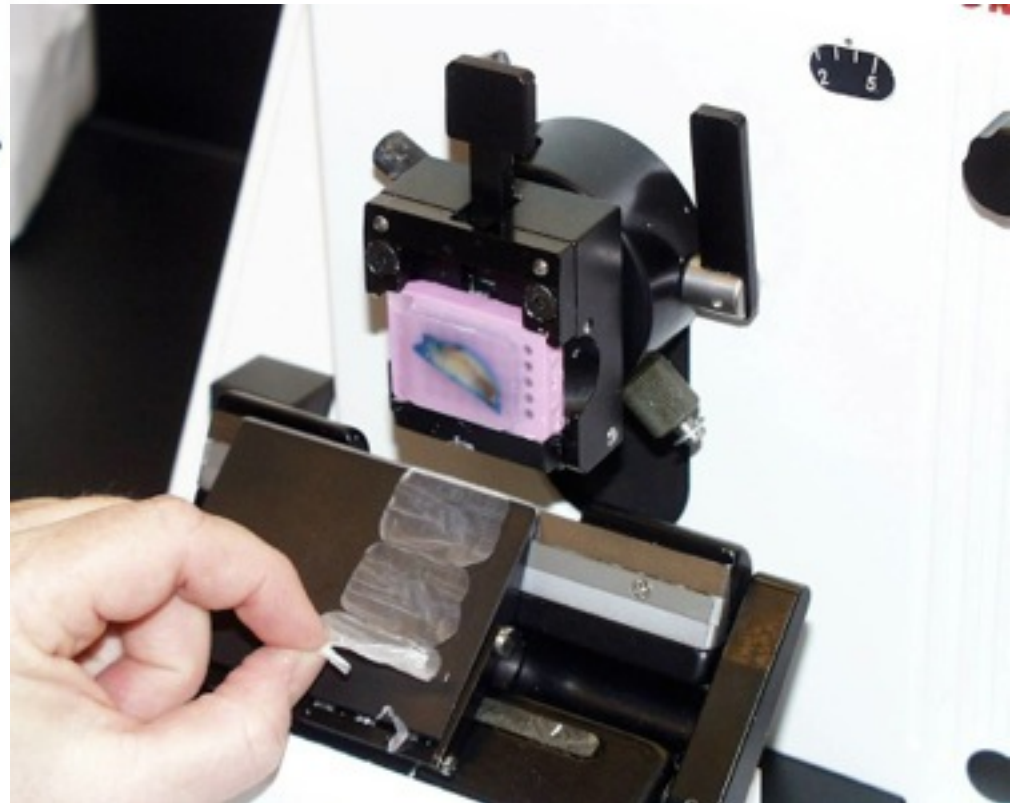




**The tissue fragments are embedded in a paraffin mold and cooled – resulting in a tissue block.**



**The paraffin-embedded blocks are loaded and cut using a microtome.**





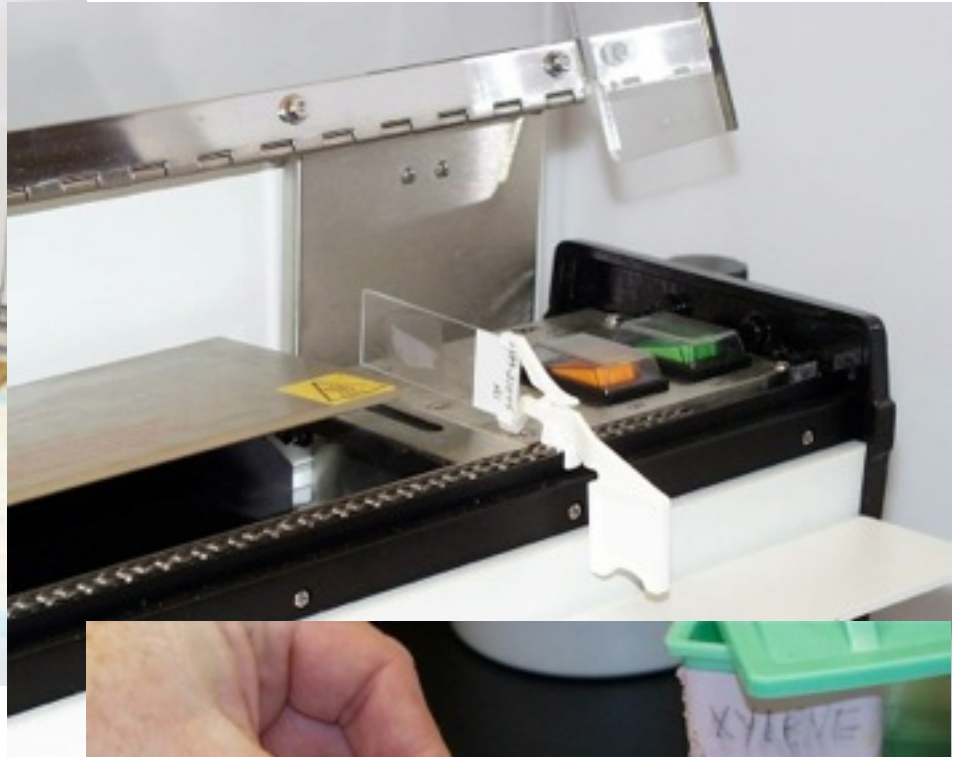
**Tissue paraffin ribbons are placed in a warm waterbath and then picked up on glass slides.**



**EYE AND  
PROTECTIVE  
BE WORN  
HANDLING**

**The unstained slides can be used for H&E, special stains, immuno-histochemistry, molecular studies, etc.**





**Most slides are H&E (hemotoxlin & eosin) stained, given coverslips, organized and delivered to the proper pathologist.**



**Additional unstained slides  
can be cut at a later time.**





**After final diagnosis, both slides and the paraffin blocks from which they are cut are cataloged and stored for future use.**



***What information is in my  
pathology report?***





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## Protocol for the Examination of Specimens From Patients With Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumor (GIST)

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Based on AJCC/UICC TNM, 7<sup>th</sup> edition

Protocol web posting date: June 2012

### Procedures

- Biopsy
- Resection

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## Surgical Pathology Cancer Case Summary

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### GASTROINTESTINAL STROMAL TUMOR (GIST): Resection

Select a single response unless otherwise indicated.

#### Procedure

- Excisional biopsy
- Resection  
Specify type (eg, partial gastrectomy): \_\_\_\_\_
- Metastasectomy
- Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
- Not specified

#### Tumor Site

- Specify (if known): \_\_\_\_\_
- Not specified

#### Tumor Size

- Greatest dimension: \_\_\_ cm
- + Additional dimensions: \_\_\_ x \_\_\_ cm
- Cannot be determined (see "Comment")

#### Tumor Focality

- Unifocal
- Multifocal  
Specify number of tumors: \_\_\_\_\_  
Specify size of tumors: \_\_\_\_\_

#### GIST Subtype

- Spindle cell
- Epithelioid
- Mixed
- Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**Mitotic Rate**

Specify: \_\_\_ /50 HPF

*Note: The required total count of mitoses is per 5 mm<sup>2</sup> on the glass slide section. With the use of older model microscopes, 50 HPF is equivalent to 5 mm<sup>2</sup>. Most modern microscopes with wider 40X lenses/fields require only 20 HPF to embrace 5 mm<sup>2</sup>. If necessary please measure field of view to accurately determine actual number of fields required to be counted on individual microscopes to count 5 mm<sup>2</sup>.*

**+ Necrosis**

+ \_\_\_ Not identified

+ \_\_\_ Present

+ Extent: \_\_\_%

+ \_\_\_ Cannot be determined

**Histologic Grade (Note B)**

- GX: Grade cannot be assessed
- G1: Low grade; mitotic rate  $\leq 5/50$  HPF
- G2: High grade; mitotic rate  $>5/50$  HPF

**Risk Assessment (Note C)**

- None
- Very low risk
- Low risk
- Intermediate risk
- High risk
- Overtly malignant/metastatic
- Cannot be determined

**Margins**

- Cannot be assessed
- Negative for GIST  
Distance of tumor from closest margin: \_\_\_ mm or \_\_\_ cm
- Margin(s) positive for GIST  
Specify margin(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**Pathologic Staging (pTNM) (Note G)**

TNM Descriptors (required only if applicable) (select all that apply)

- m (multiple)
- r (recurrent)
- y (posttreatment)

**Primary Tumor (pT)**

- pTX: Primary tumor cannot be assessed
- pT0: No evidence for primary tumor
- pT1: Tumor 2 cm or less
- pT2: Tumor more than 2 cm but not more than 5 cm
- pT3: Tumor more than 5 cm but not more than 10 cm
- pT4: Tumor more than 10 cm in greatest dimension

**Regional Lymph Nodes (pN) (Note D)**

- Not applicable
- pN0: No regional lymph node metastasis
- pN1: Regional lymph node metastasis

**Distant Metastasis (pM) (Note D)**

- Not applicable
- pM1: Distant metastasis  
+ Specify site(s), if known: \_\_\_\_\_

**+ Additional Pathologic Findings**

+ Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**Ancillary Studies (select all that apply) (Note E)**

Immunohistochemical Studies

- KIT (CD117)  
     Positive  
     Negative  
 Others (specify): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Not performed

Molecular Genetic Studies (eg, KIT or PDGFRA mutational analysis)

- Submitted for analysis; results pending  
 Performed, see separate report: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Performed  
    Specify method(s) and results: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Not performed

**Preresection Treatment (select all that apply)**

- No therapy  
 Previous biopsy or surgery  
    Specify: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Systemic therapy performed  
    Specify type: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Therapy performed, type not specified  
 Unknown

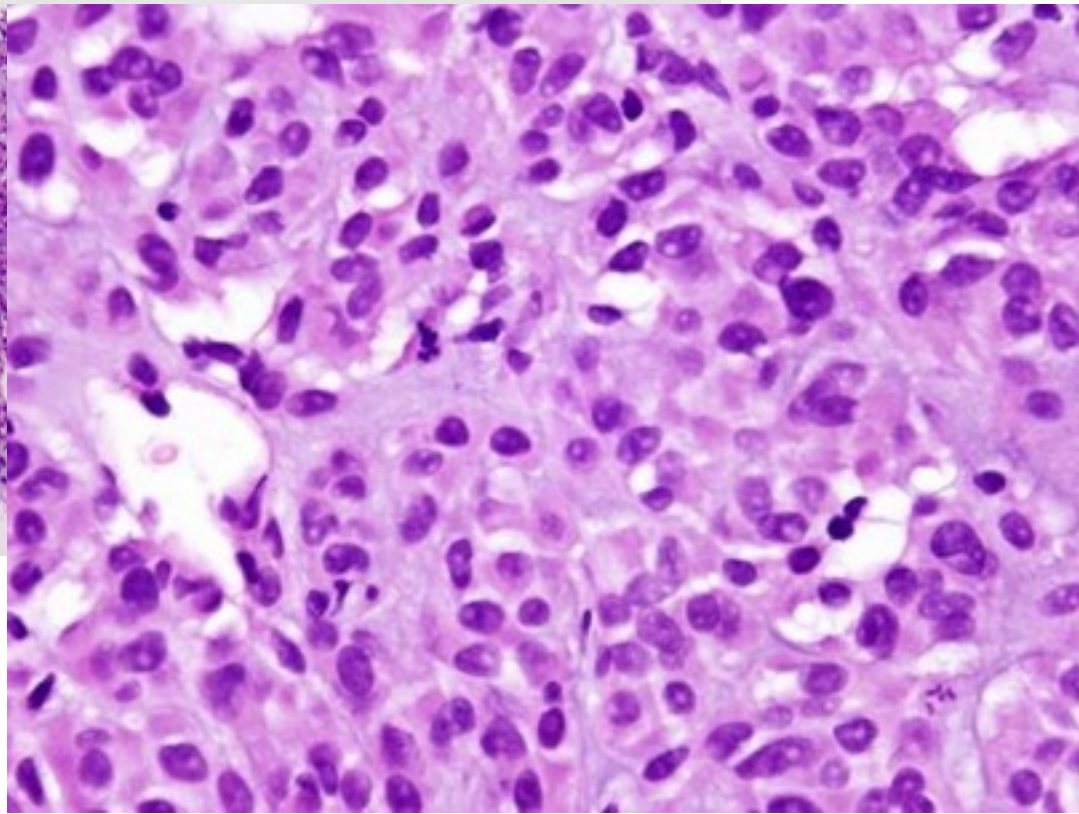
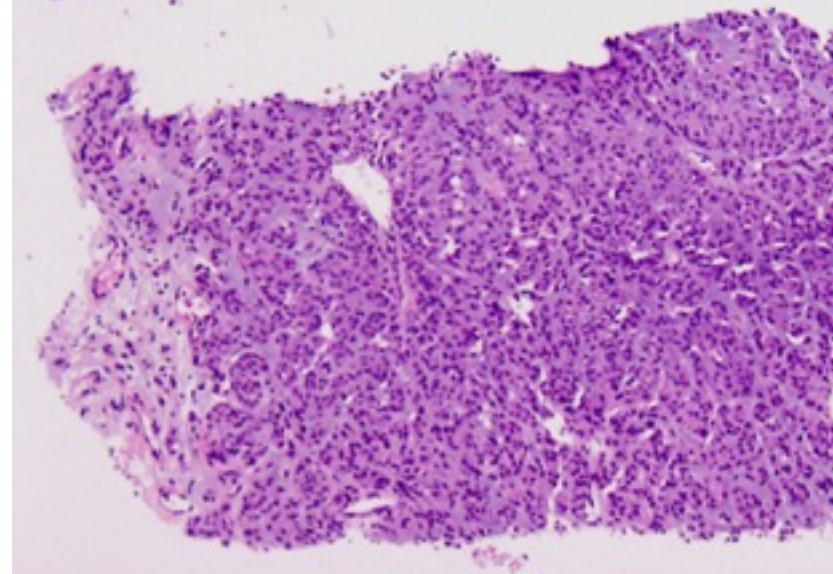
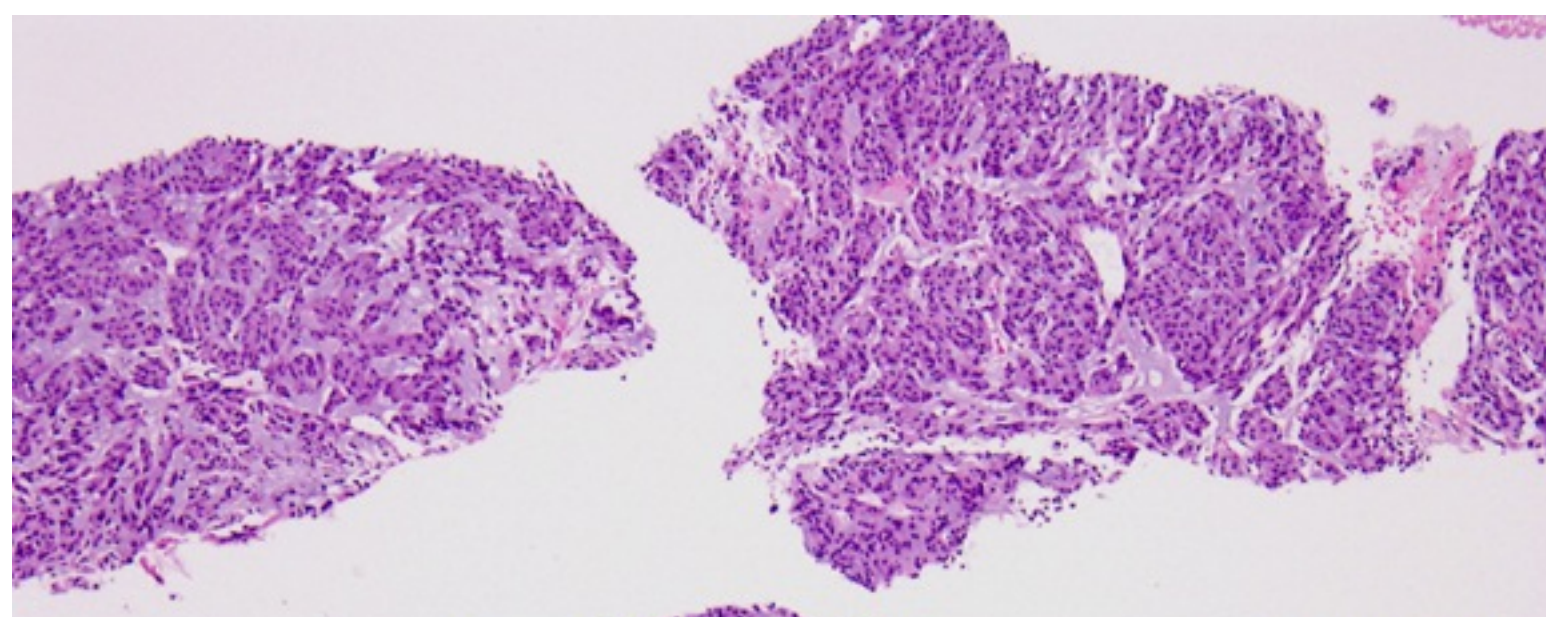
**+ Treatment Effect (Note F)**

+ Specify percentage of viable tumor: \_\_\_%

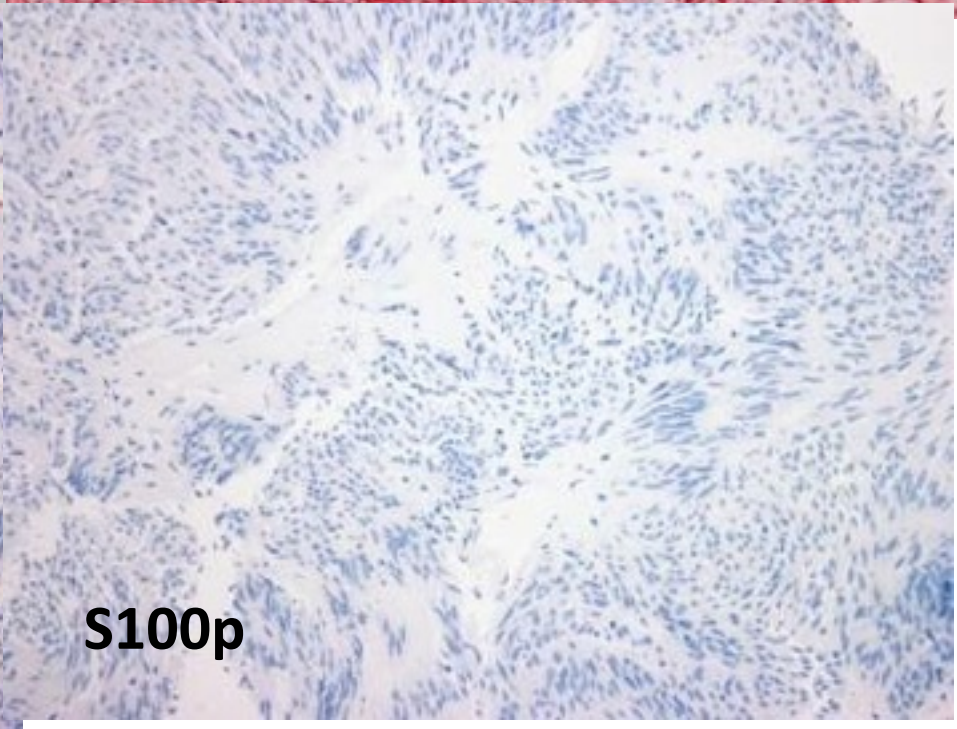
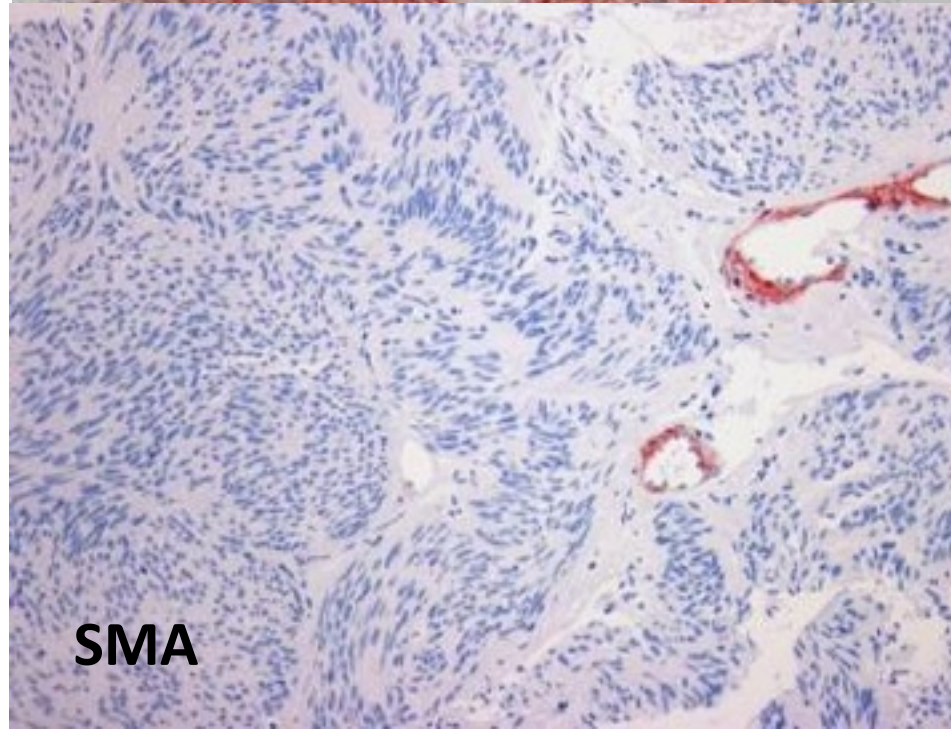
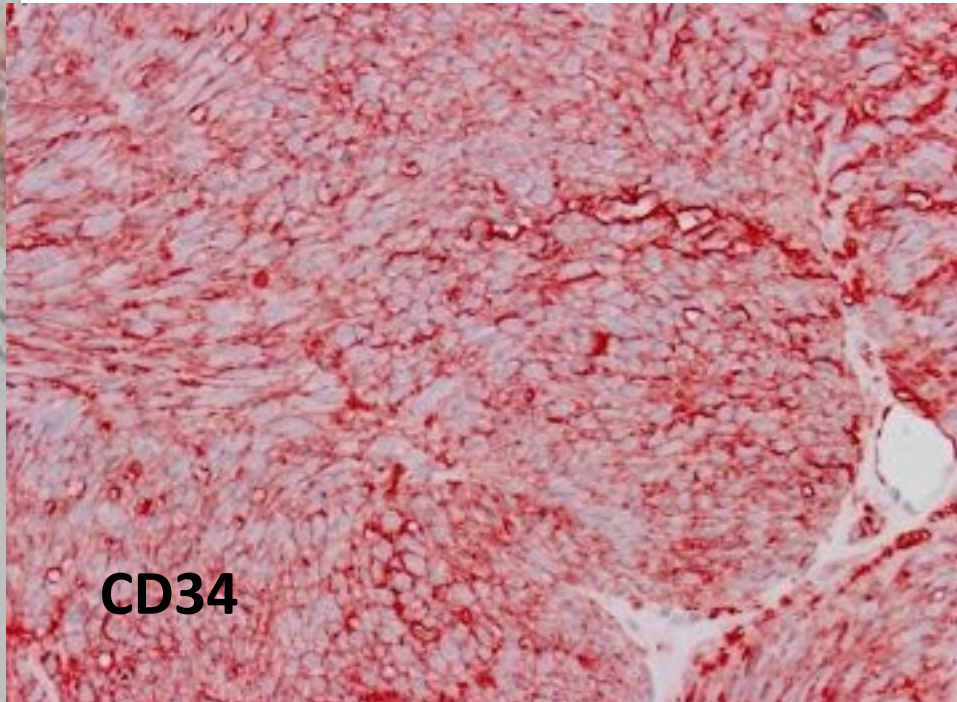
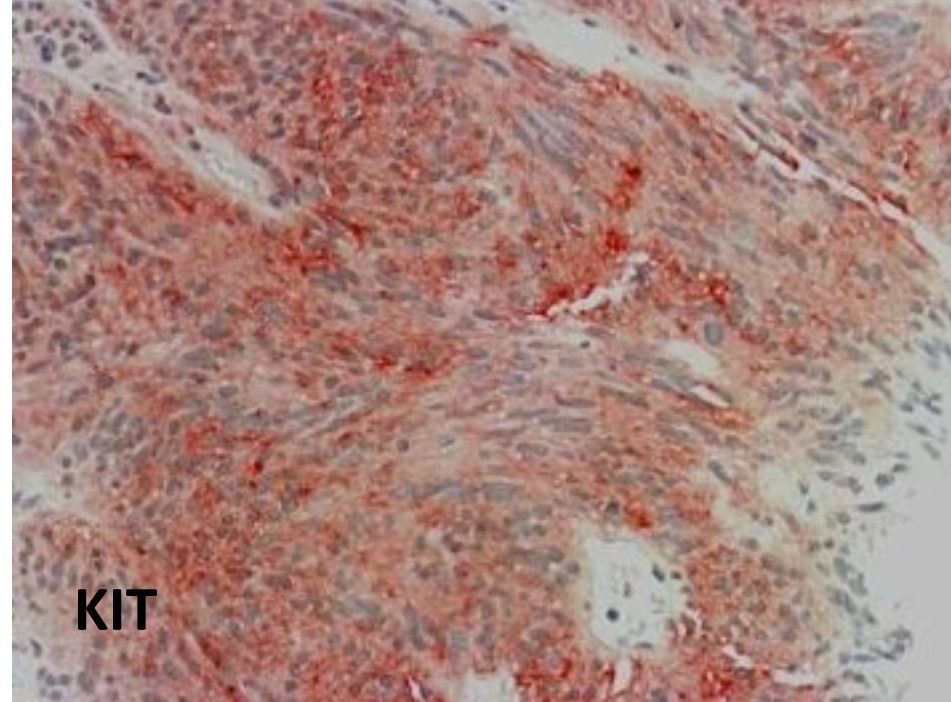
**+ Comment(s)**

***Getting the diagnosis right***

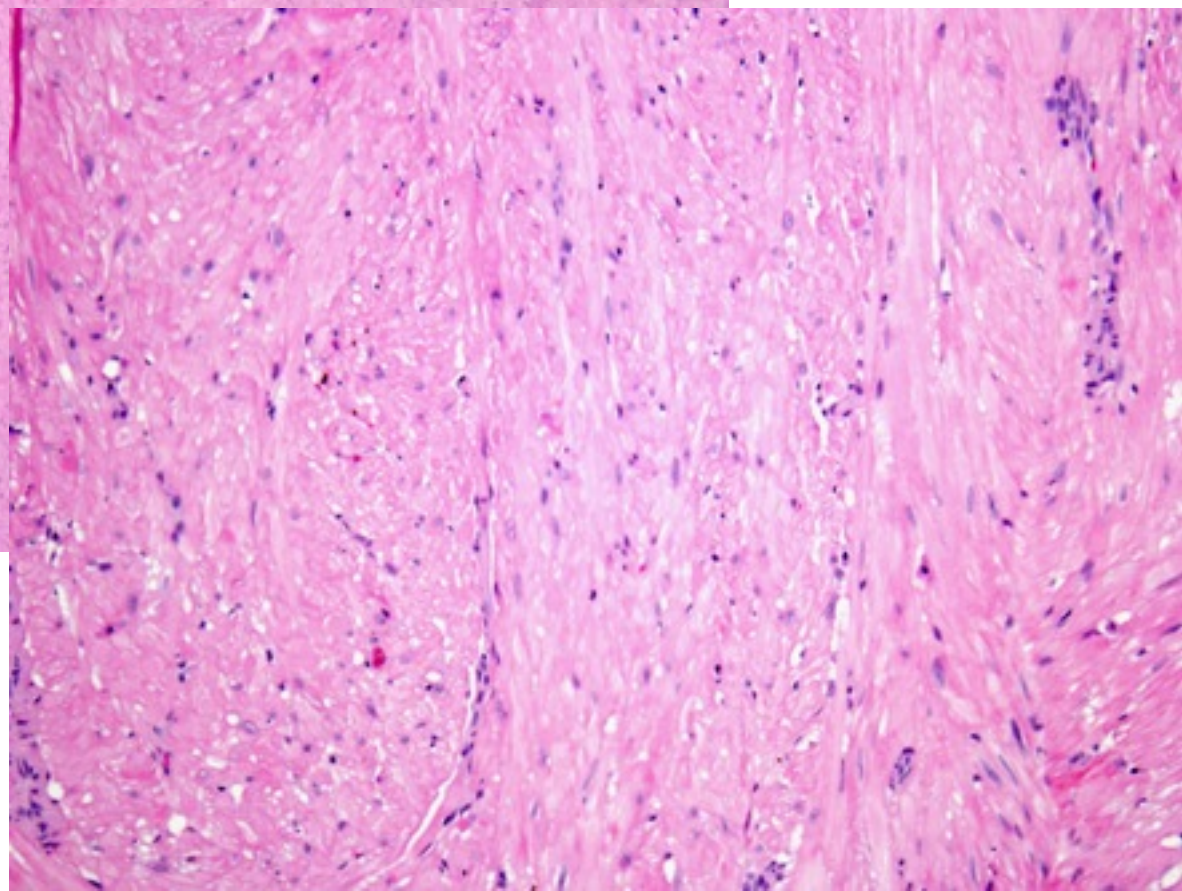
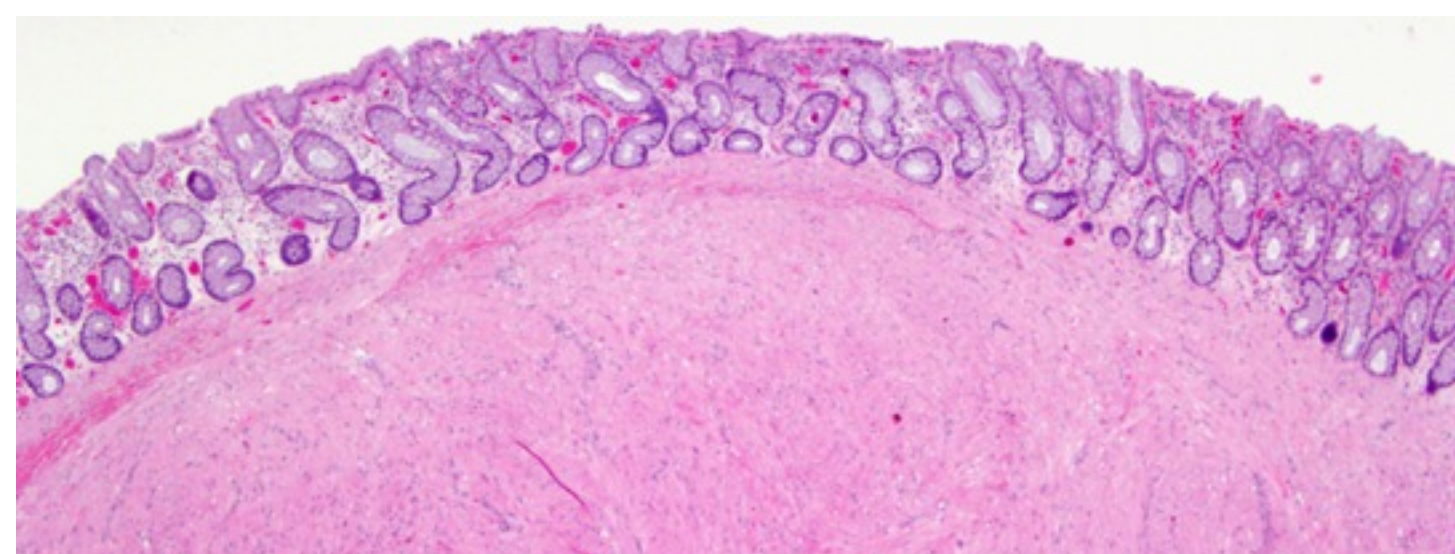
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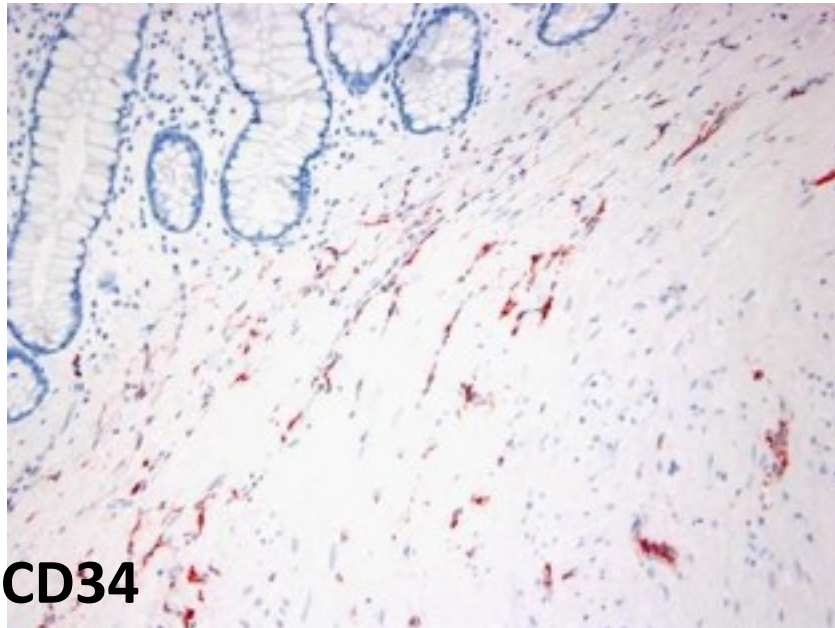
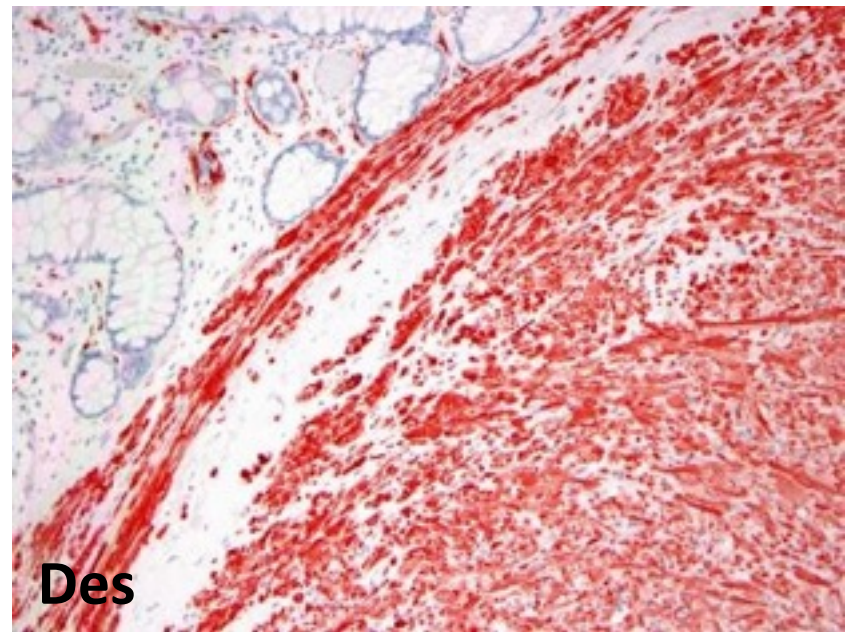
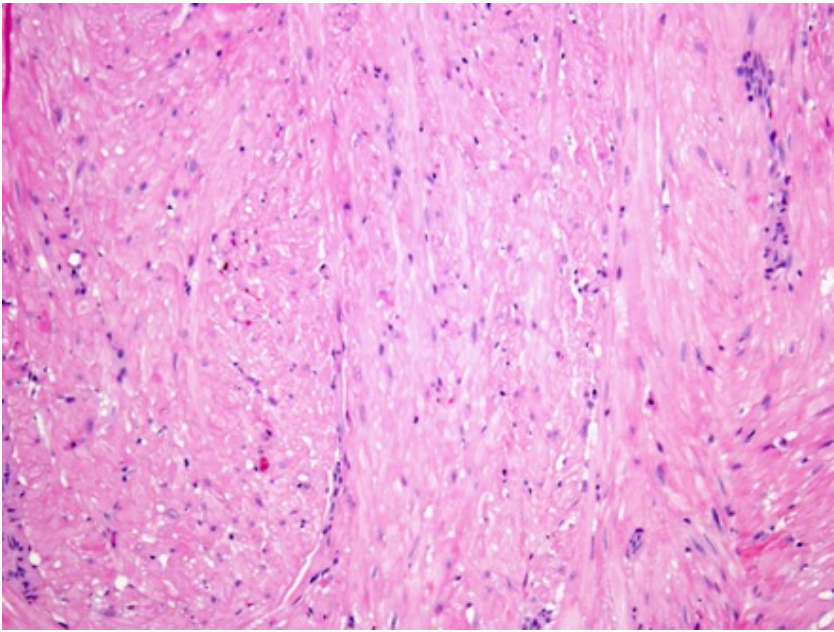




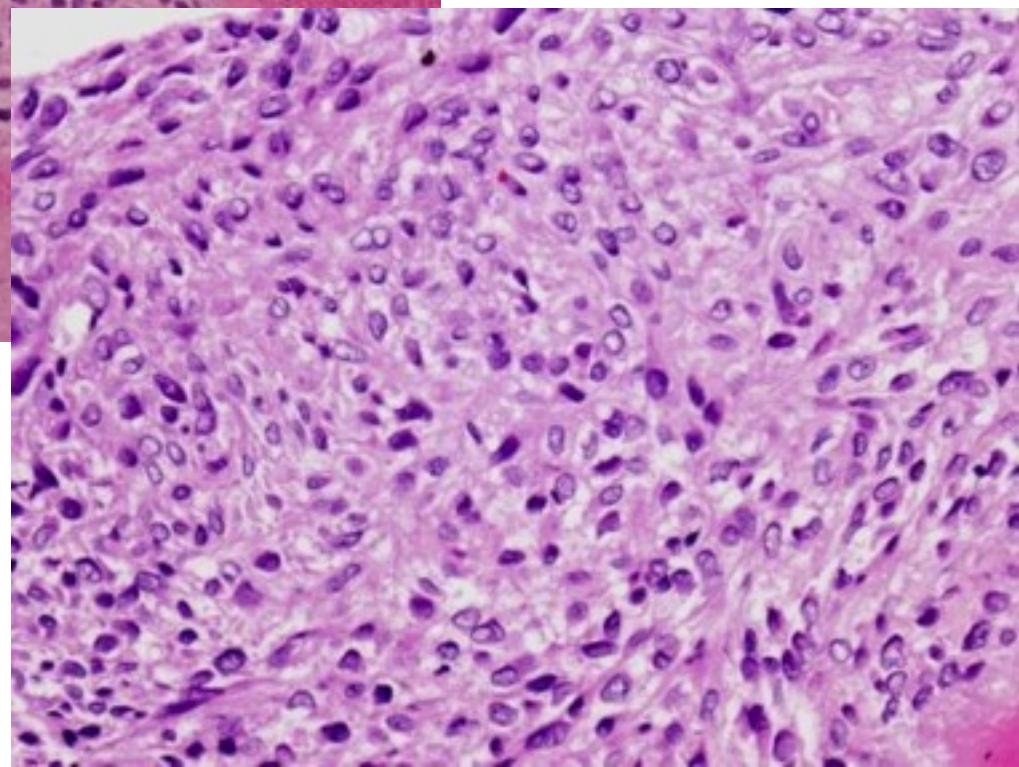
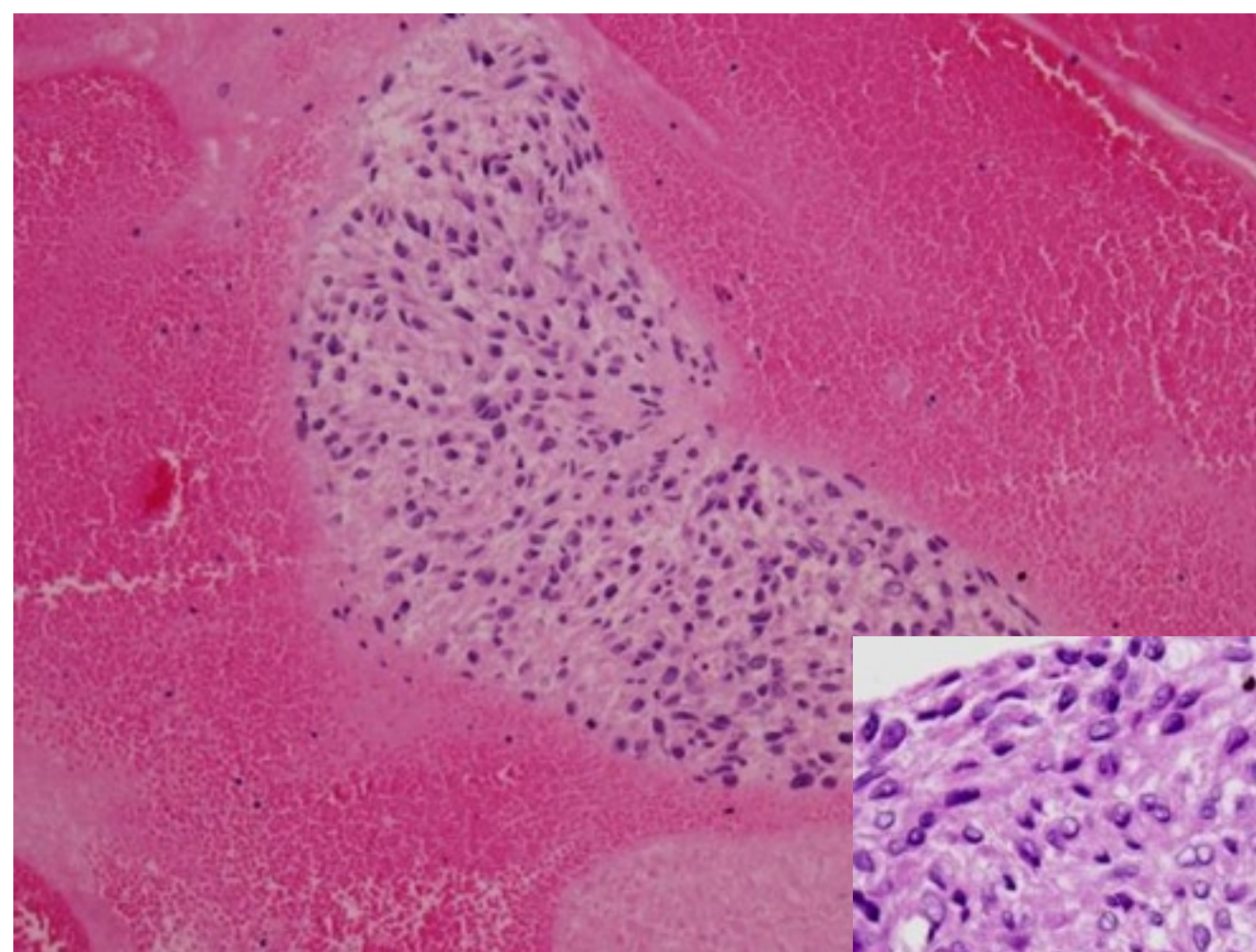


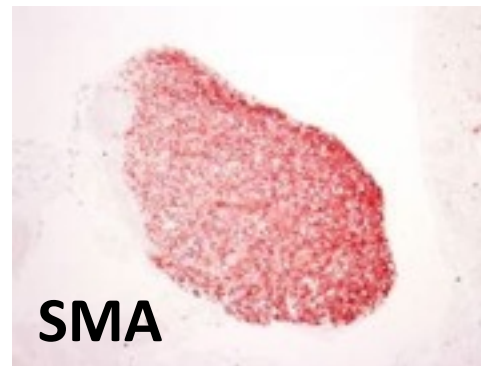
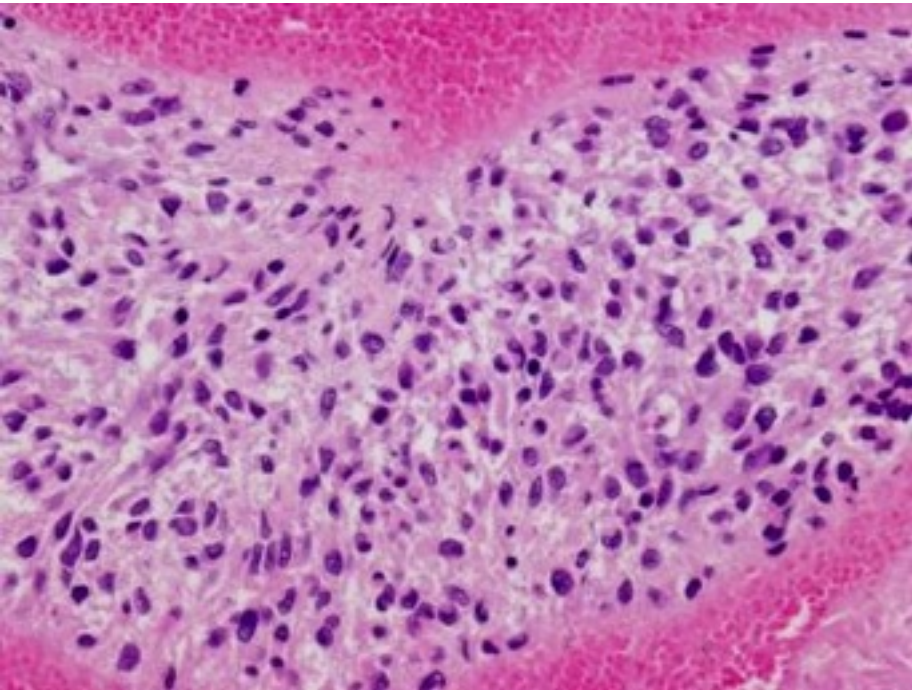
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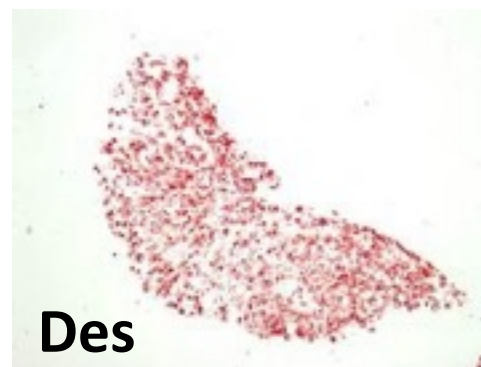


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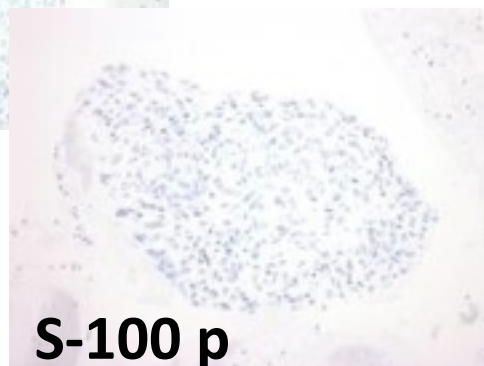
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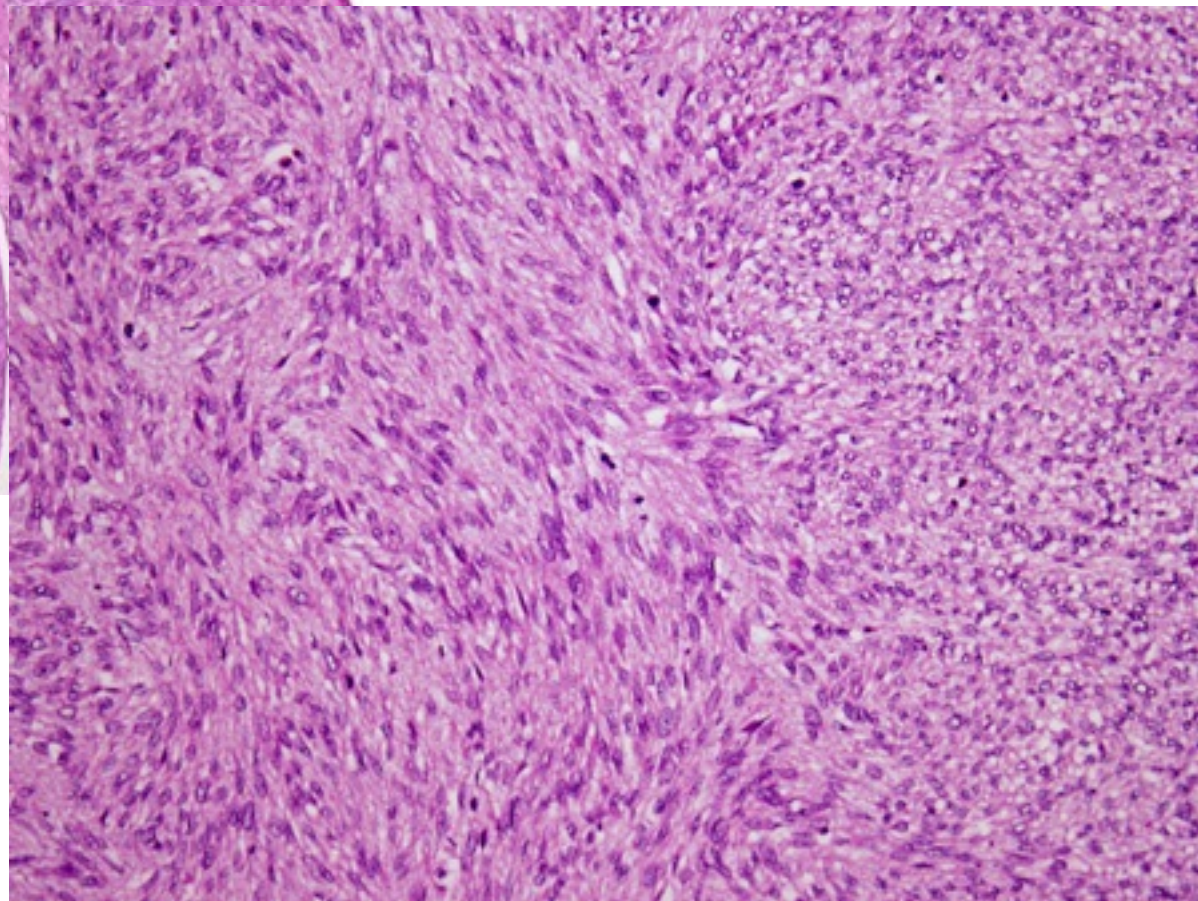
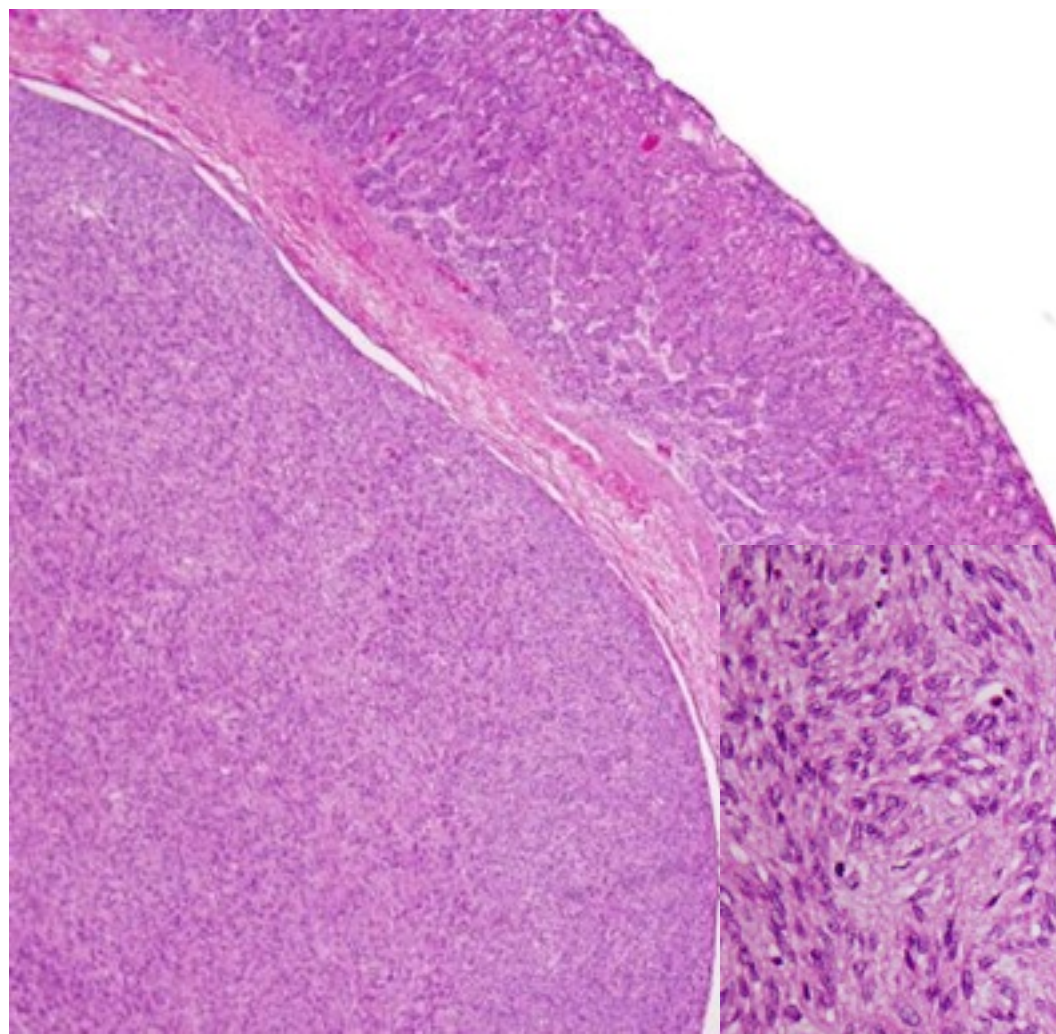
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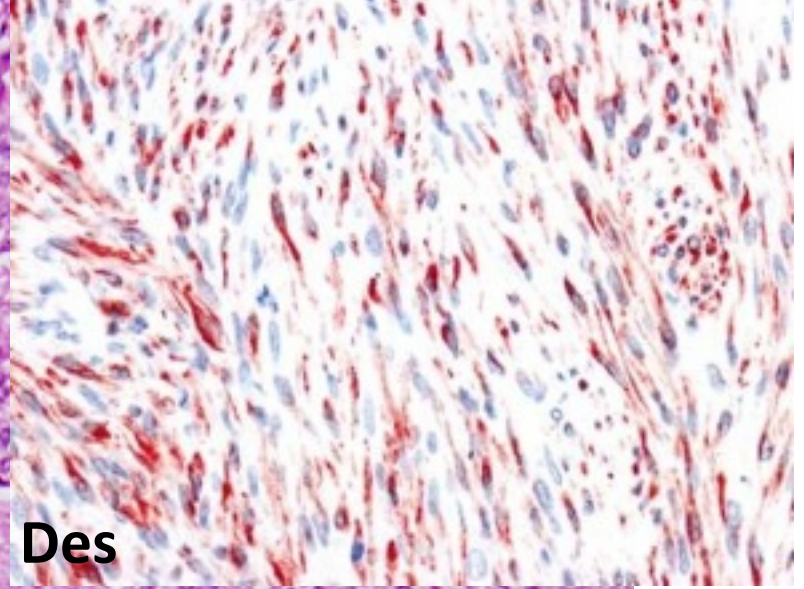
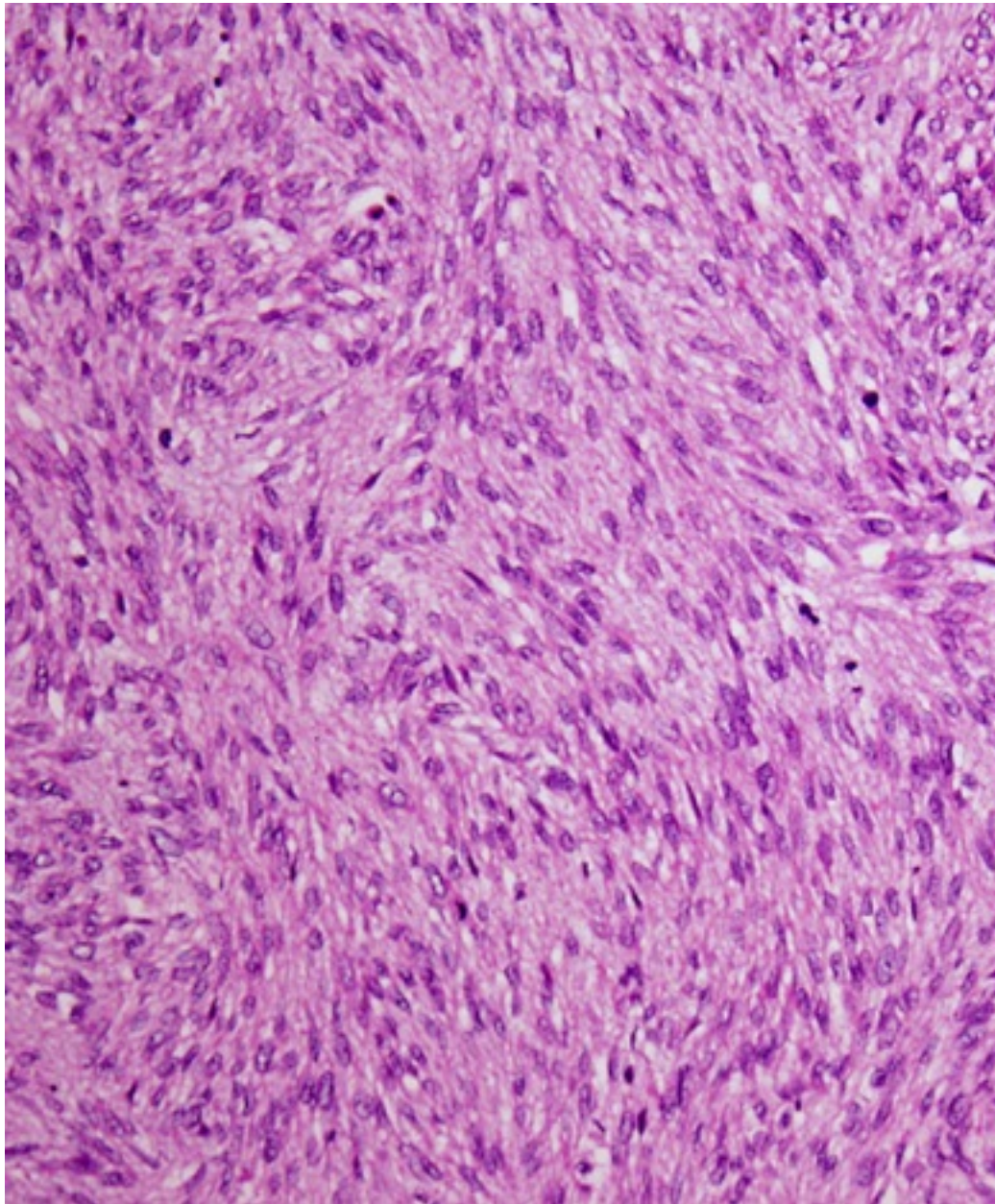
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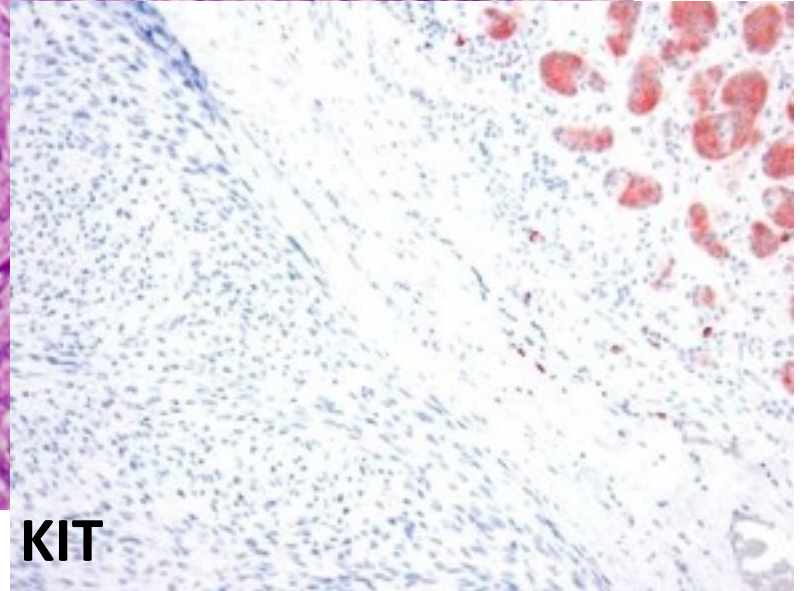
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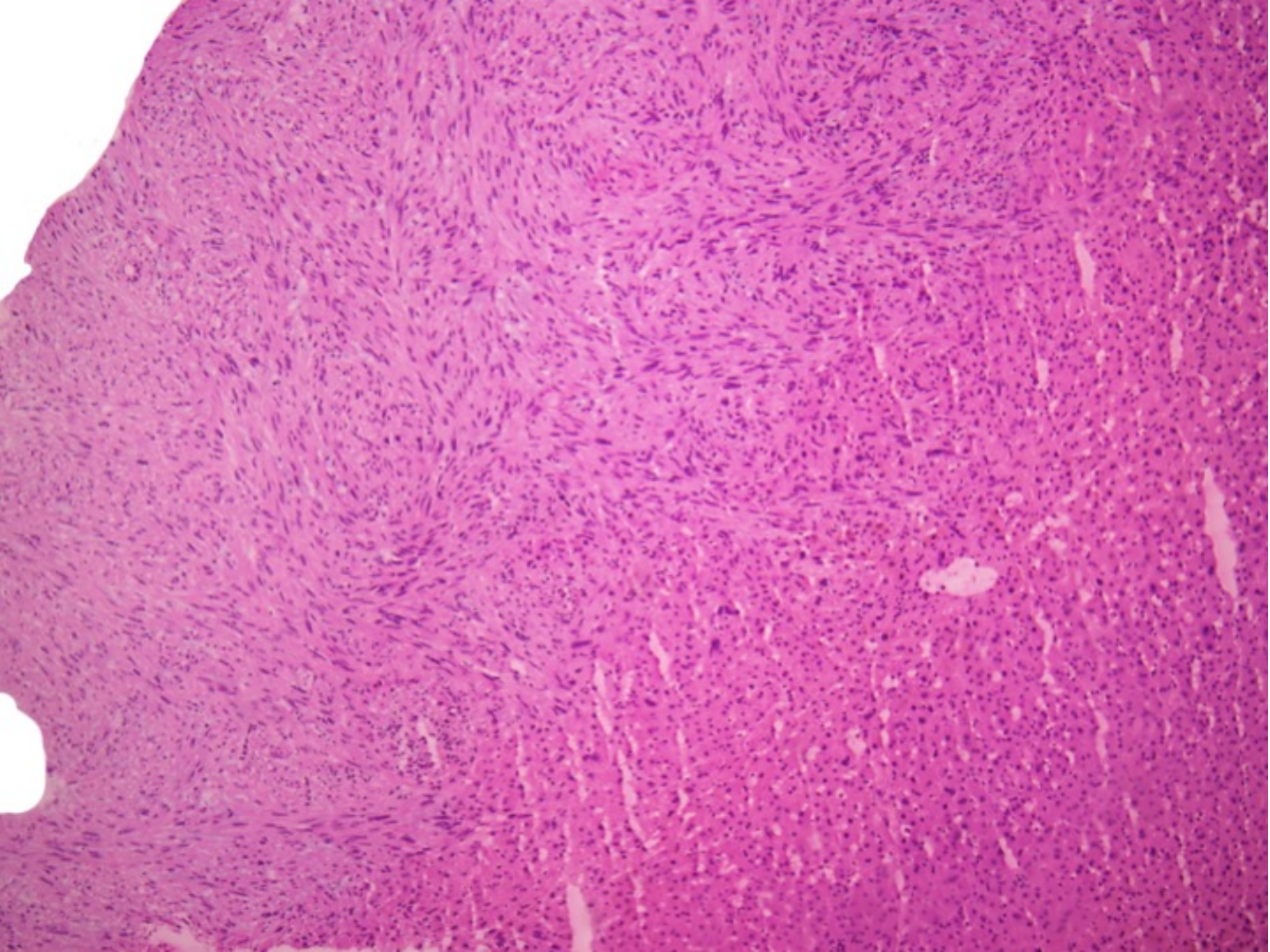




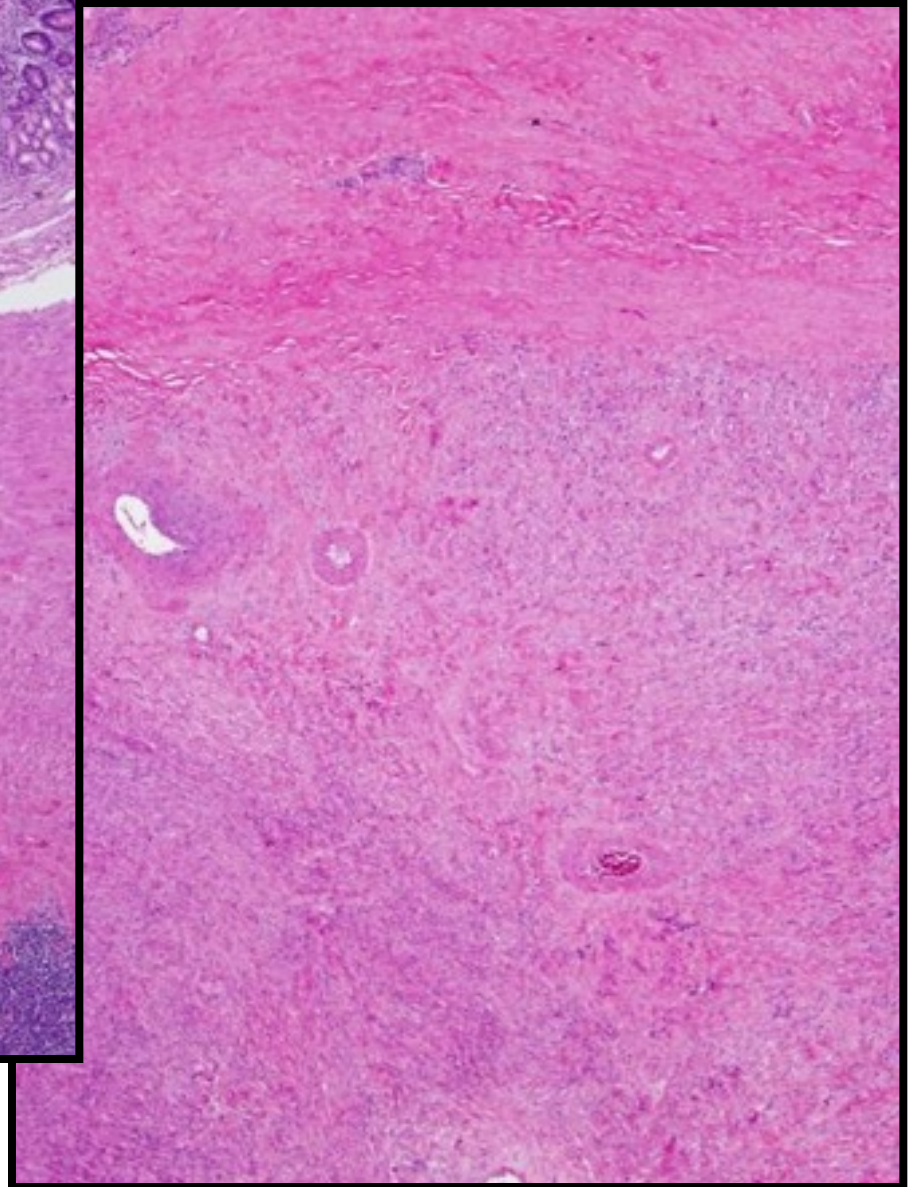
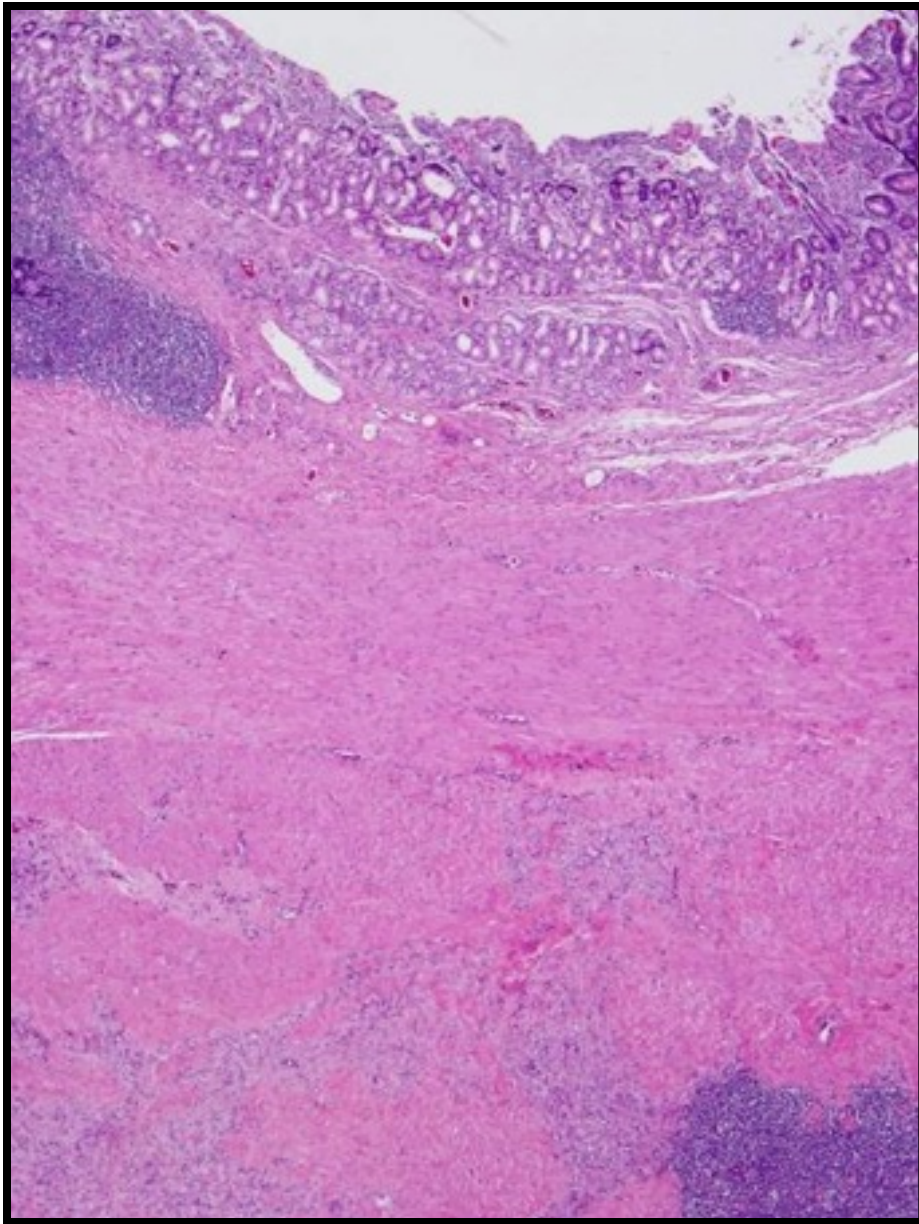
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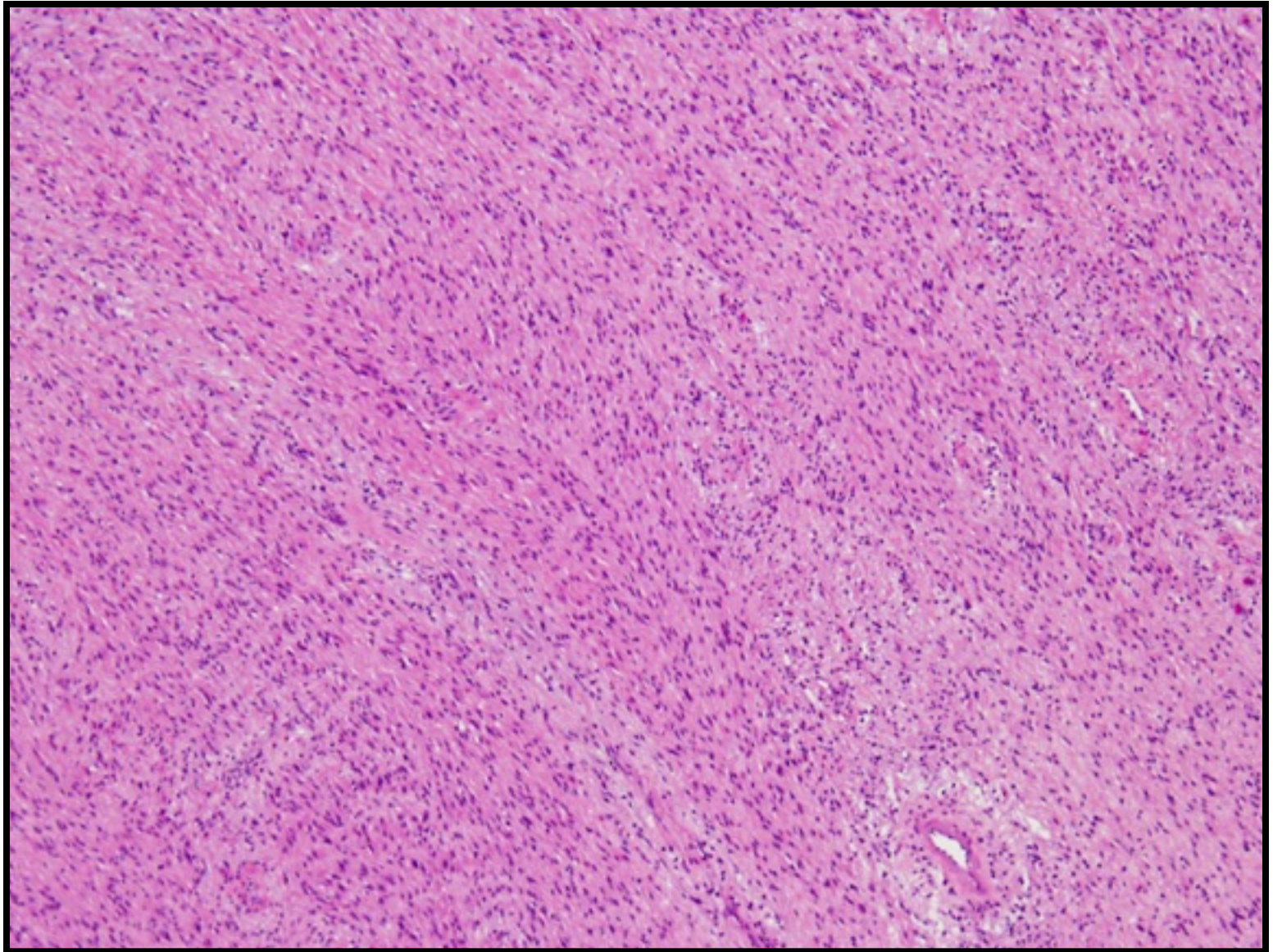


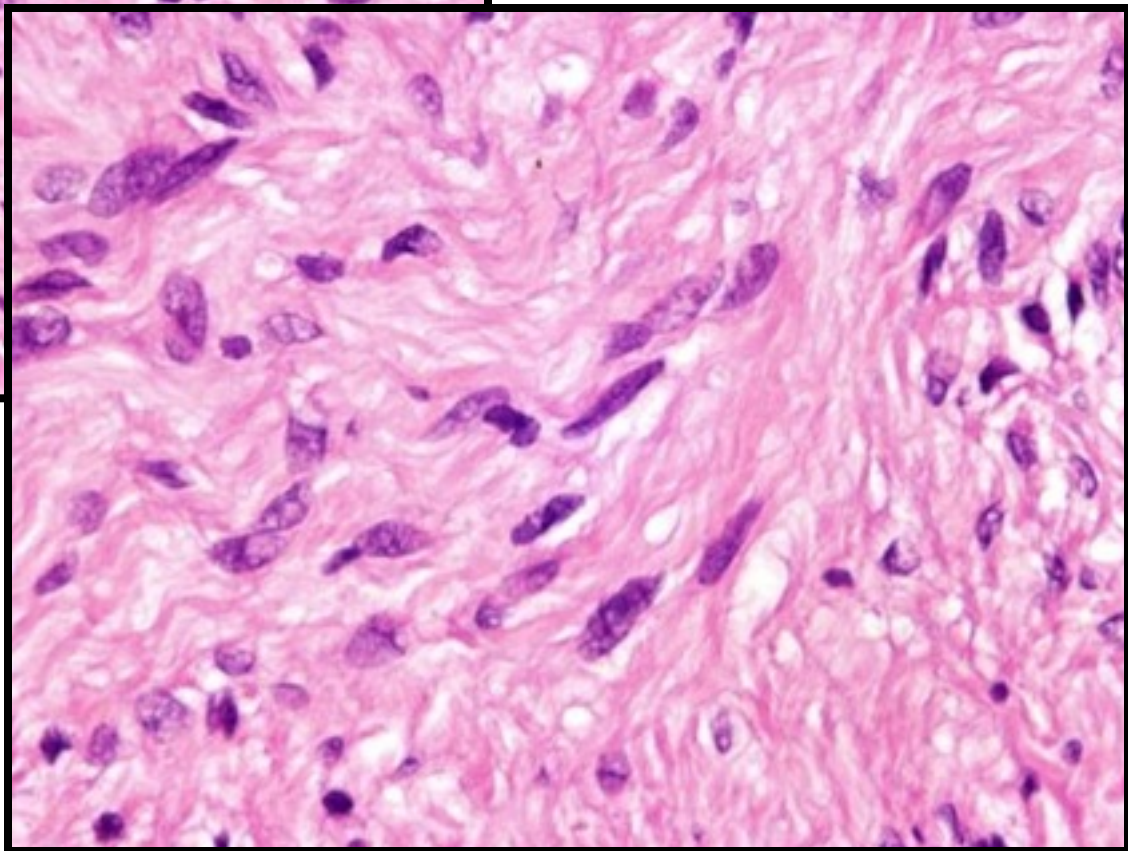
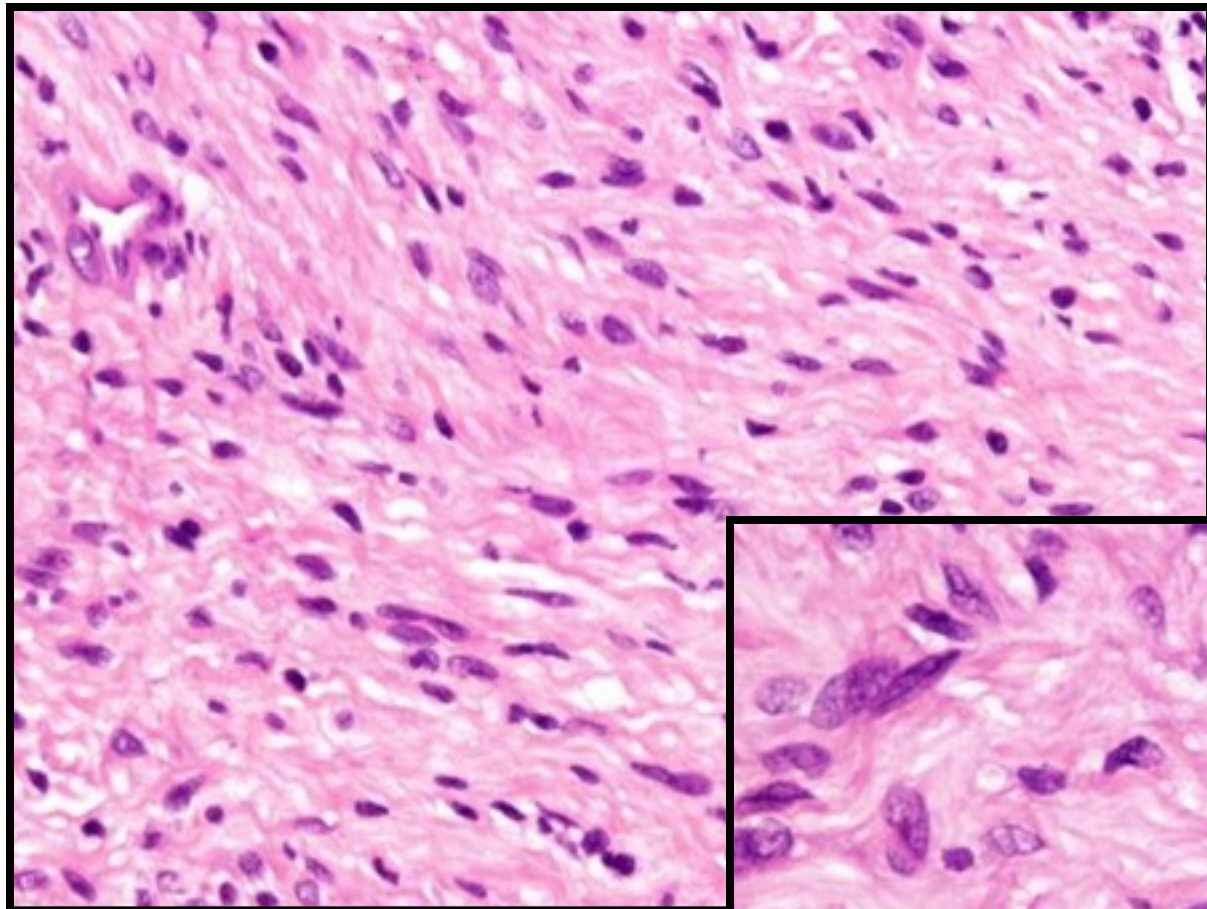
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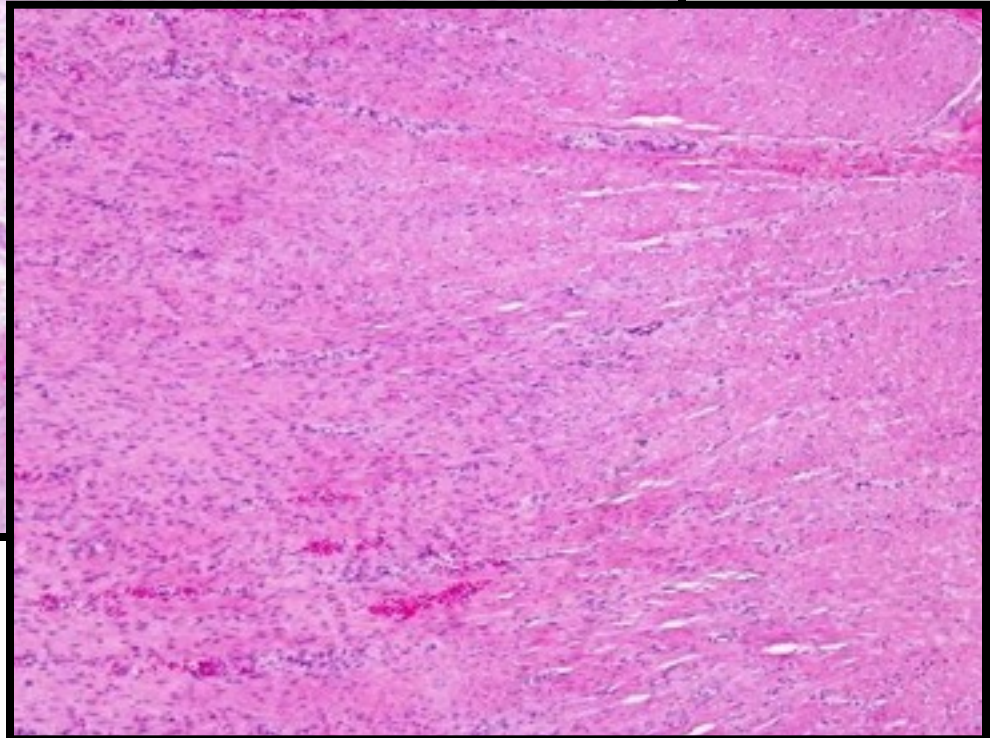
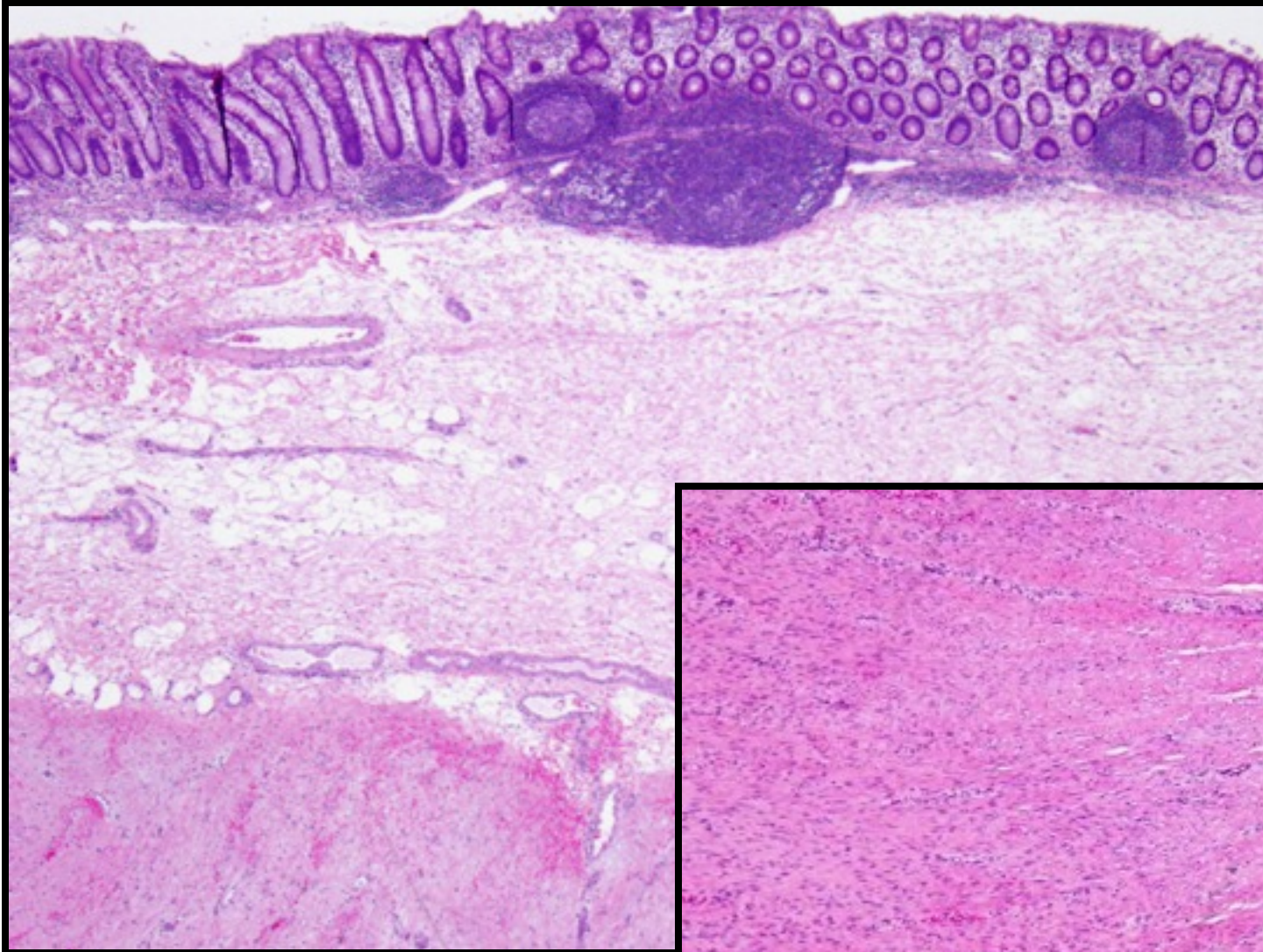
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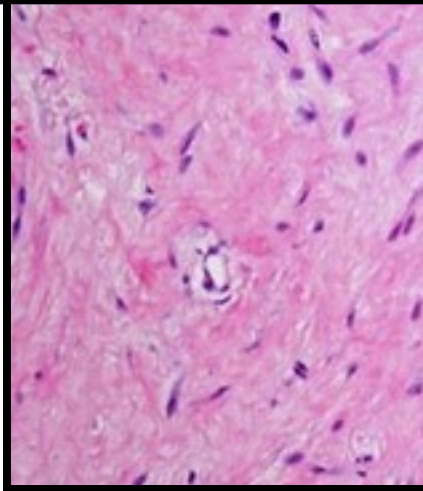
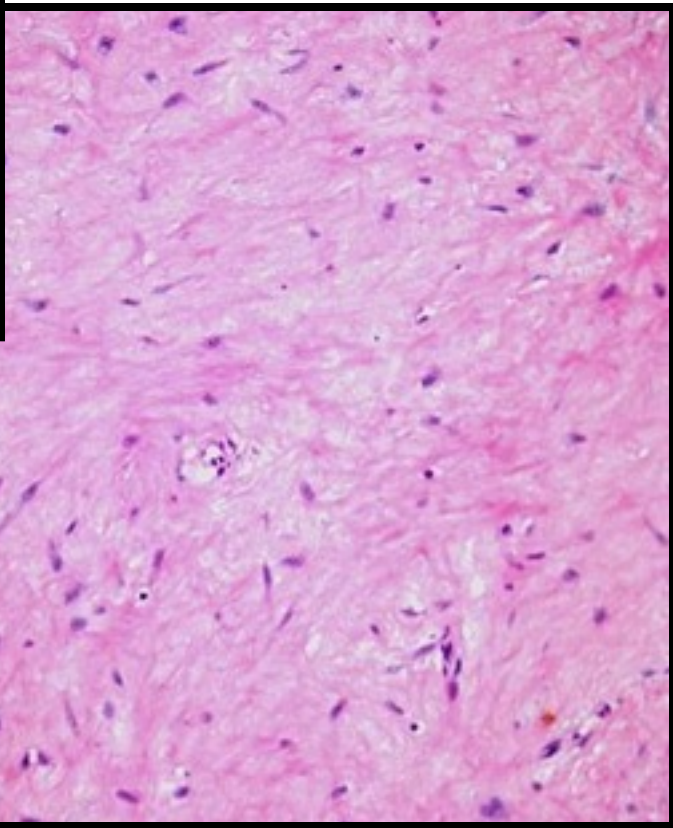
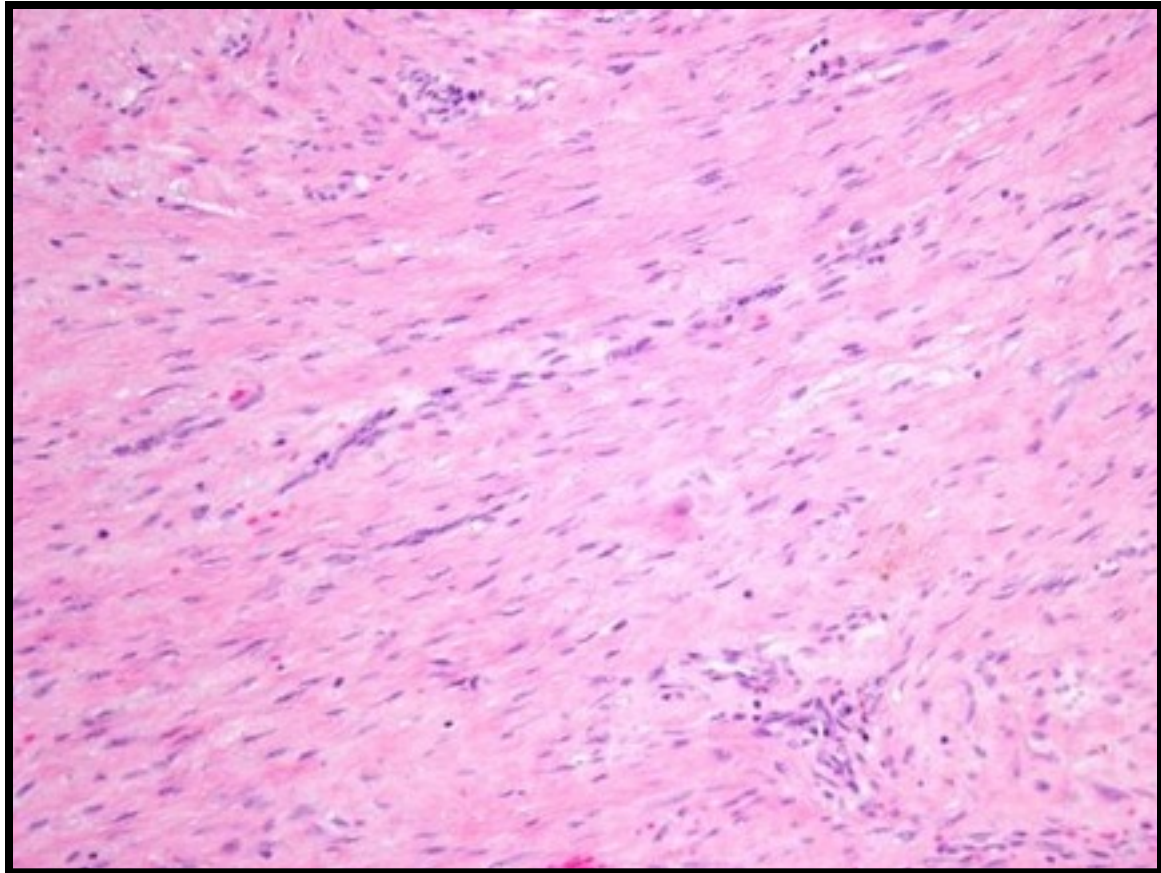


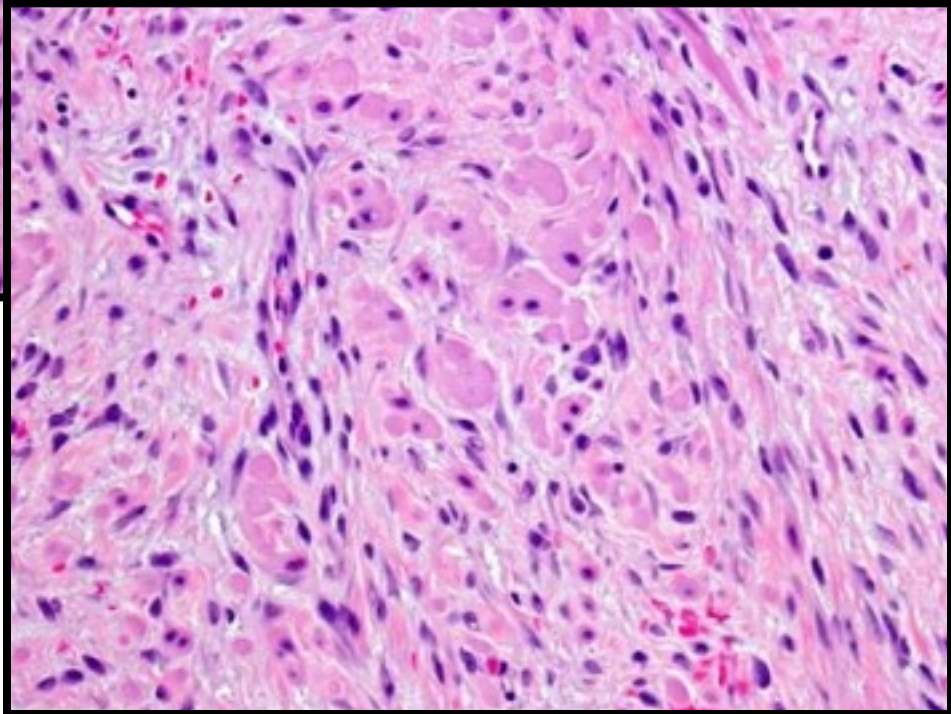
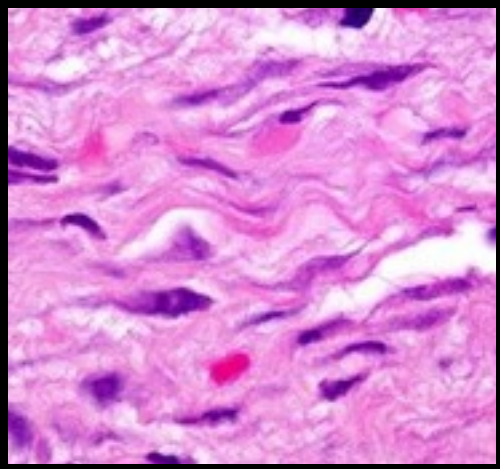
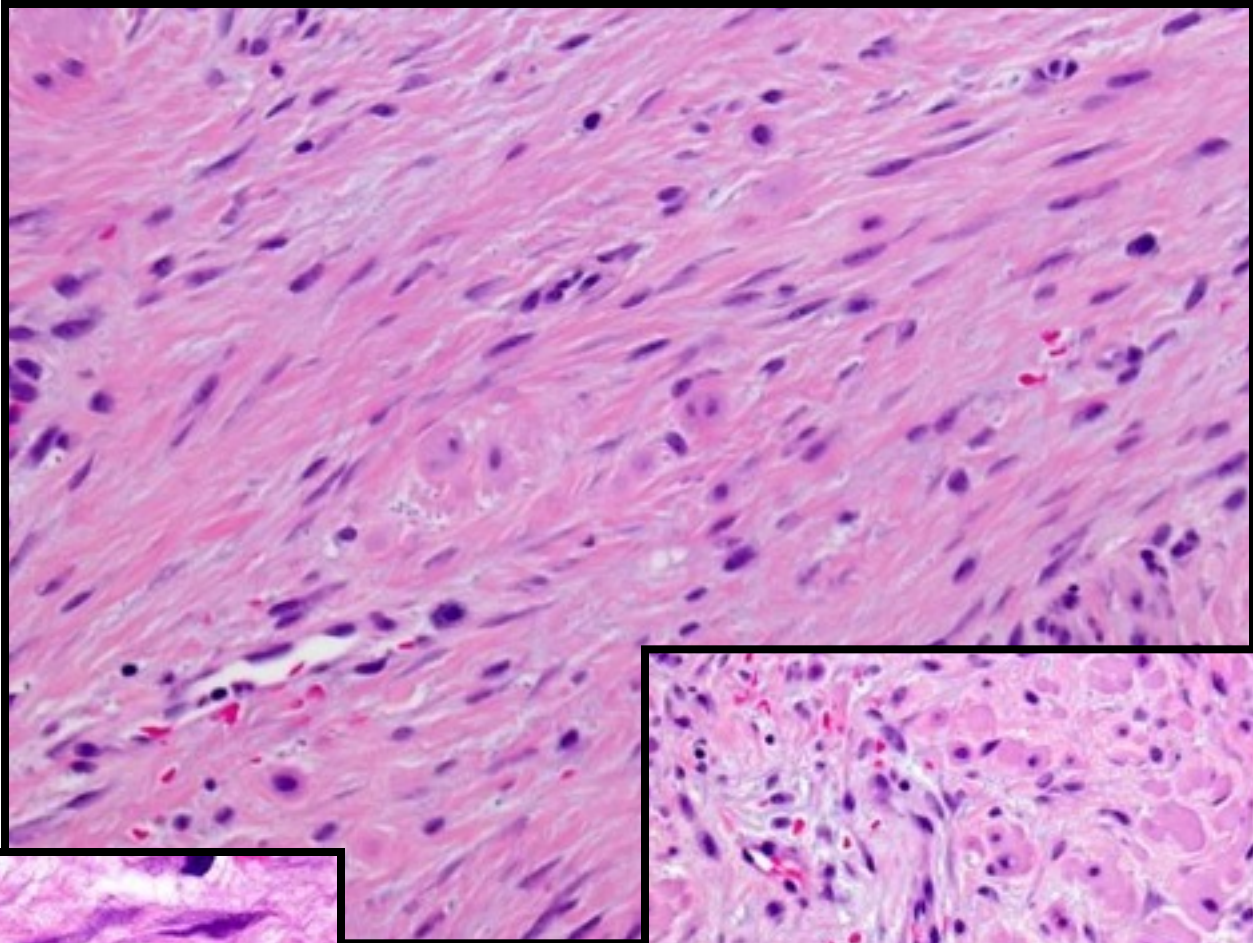


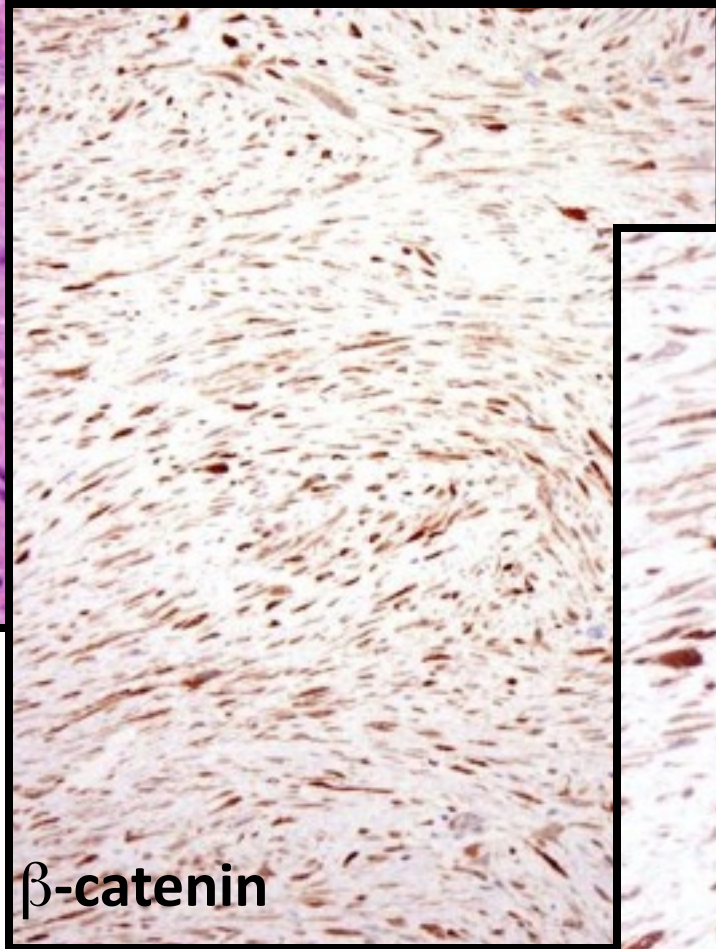
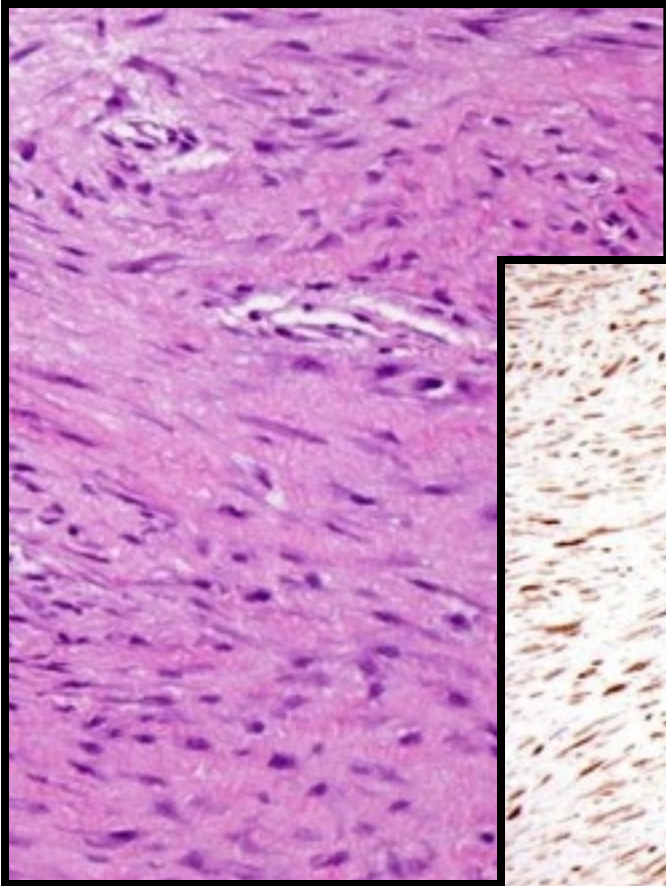
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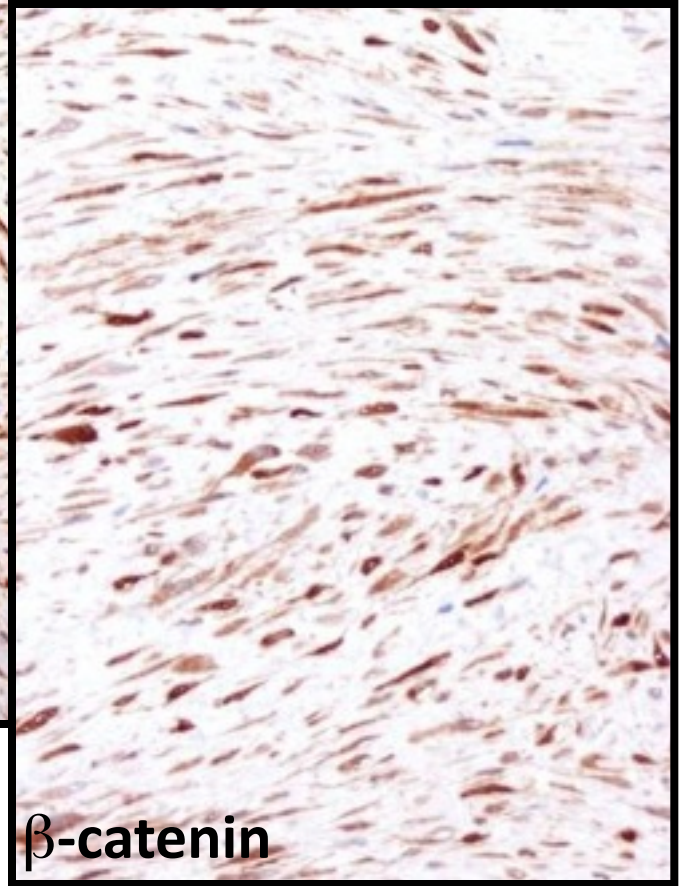




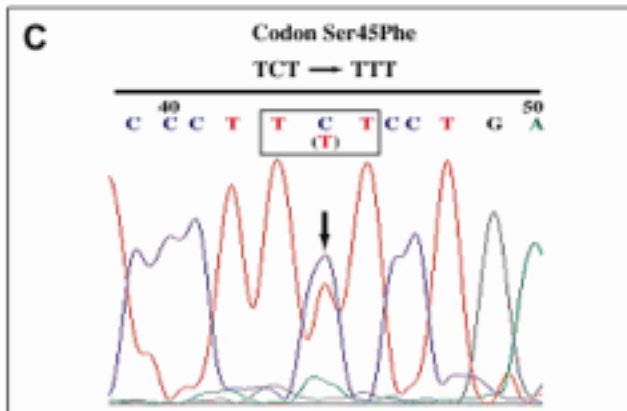
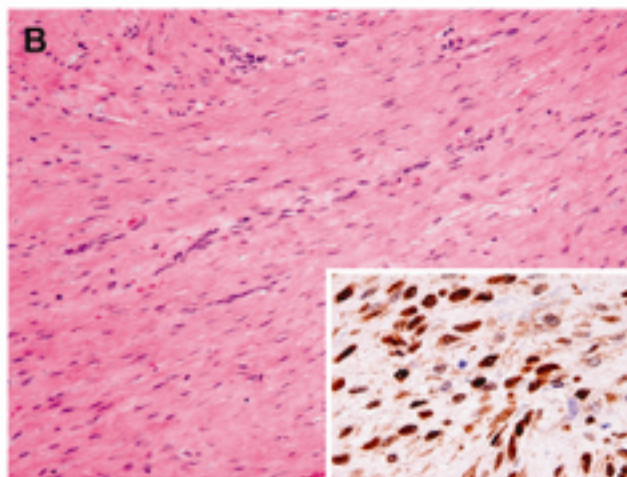
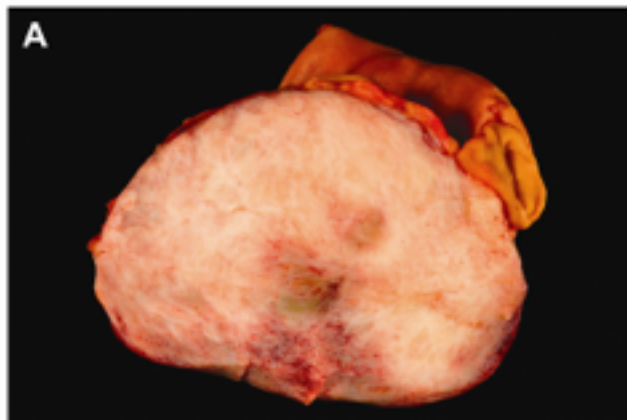




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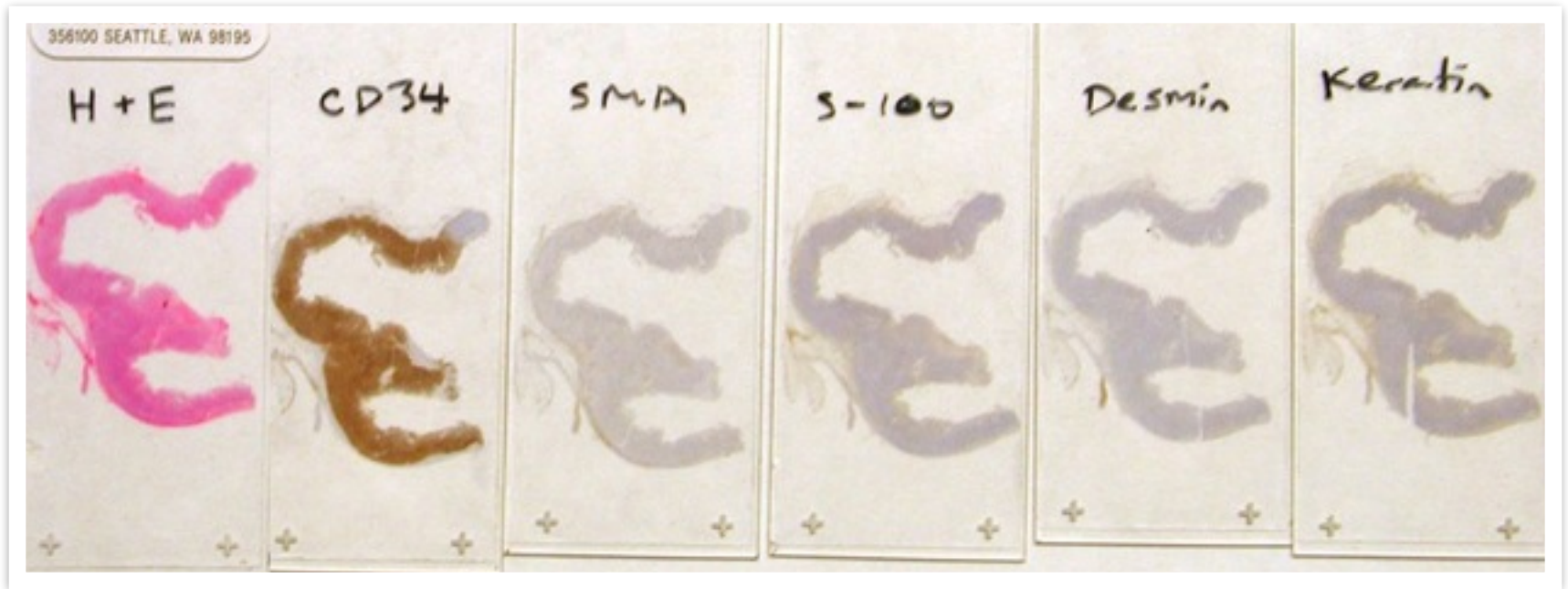


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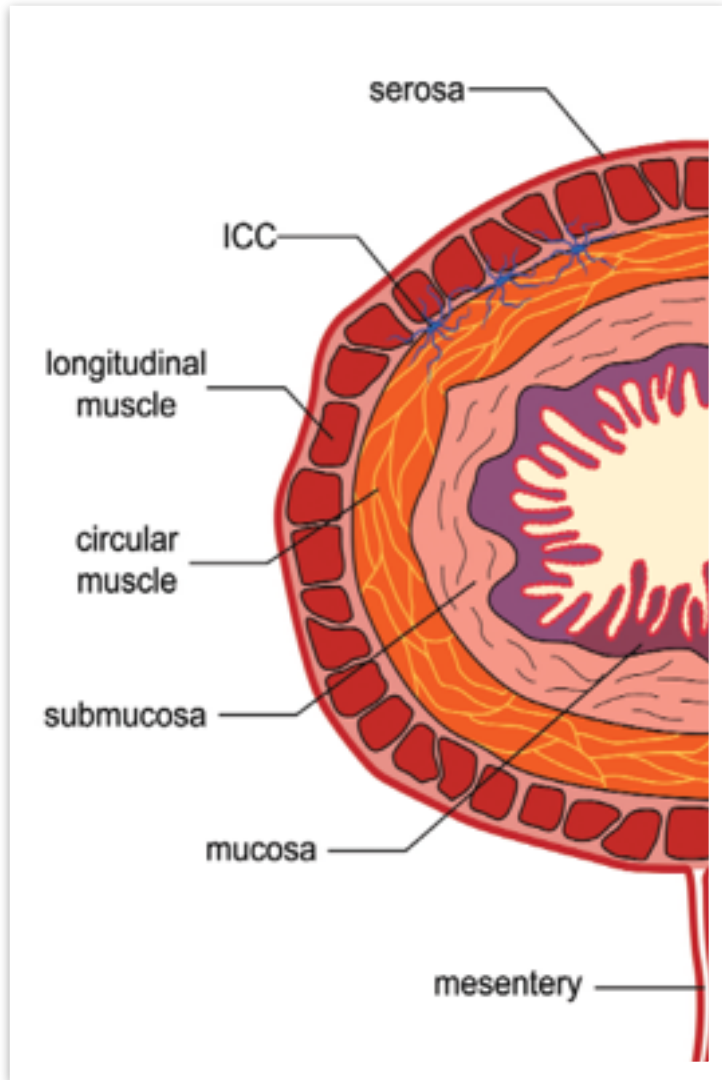




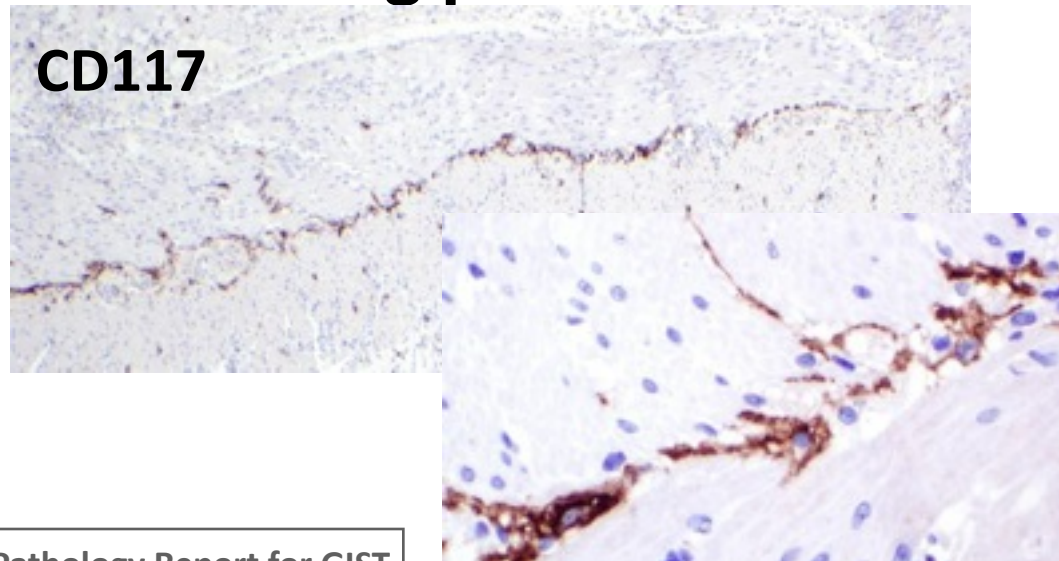
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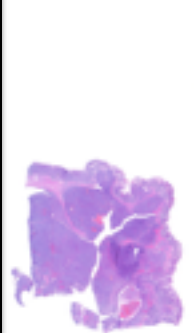
# ***Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumor***



- **Arise from the interstitial cells of Cajal (ICC)**
- **ICC have a “pacemaker” function and are important in coordinating peristalsis**



# *Immunohistochemical Profile of GIST*

H&E	CD117 (KIT)	CD34	Smooth muscle actin	S100 protein	Desmin	Pan-keratin
	95%	70%	30%	5%	2%	<1%
	+	+	+	+	+	+

**KIT (CD117) +ve (95%)**

**CD34 +ve (70%)**

**SMA +ve (30-40%)**

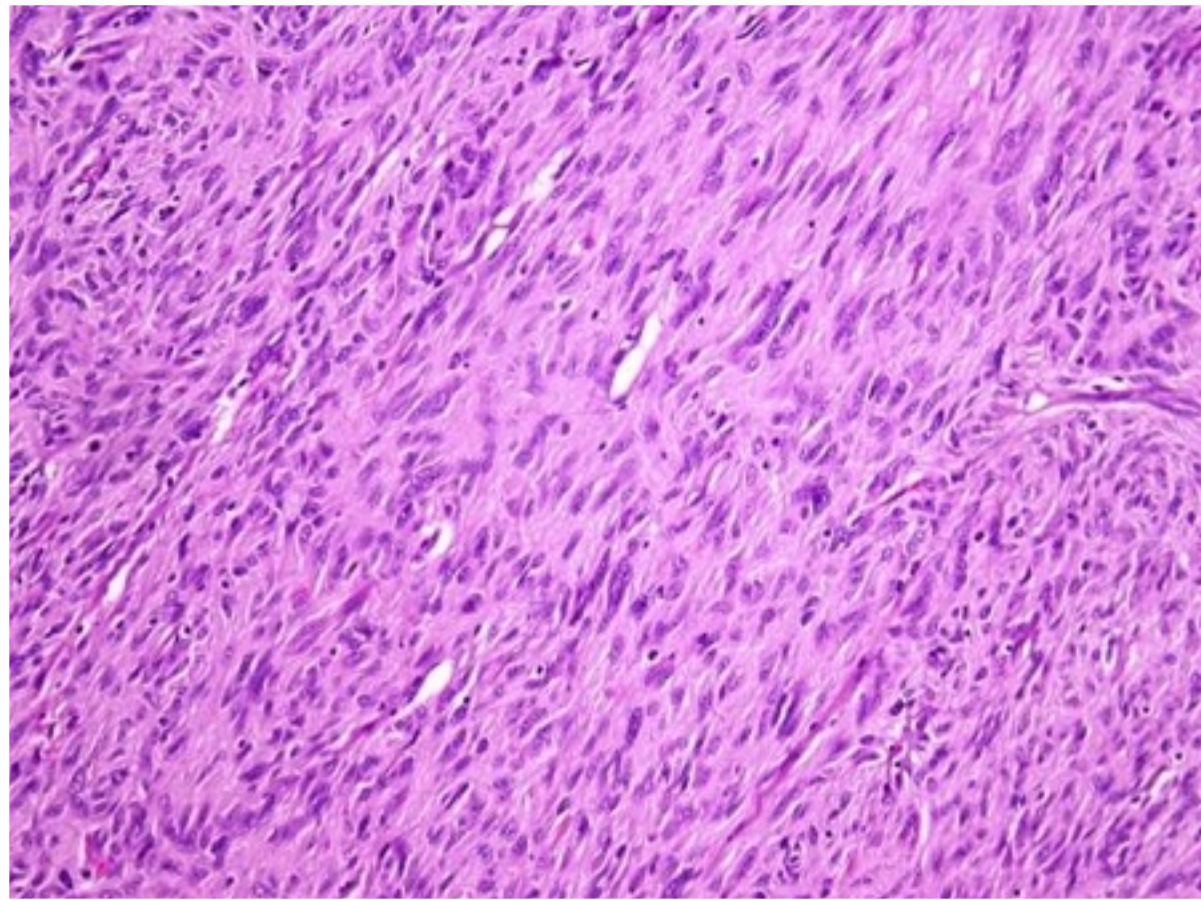
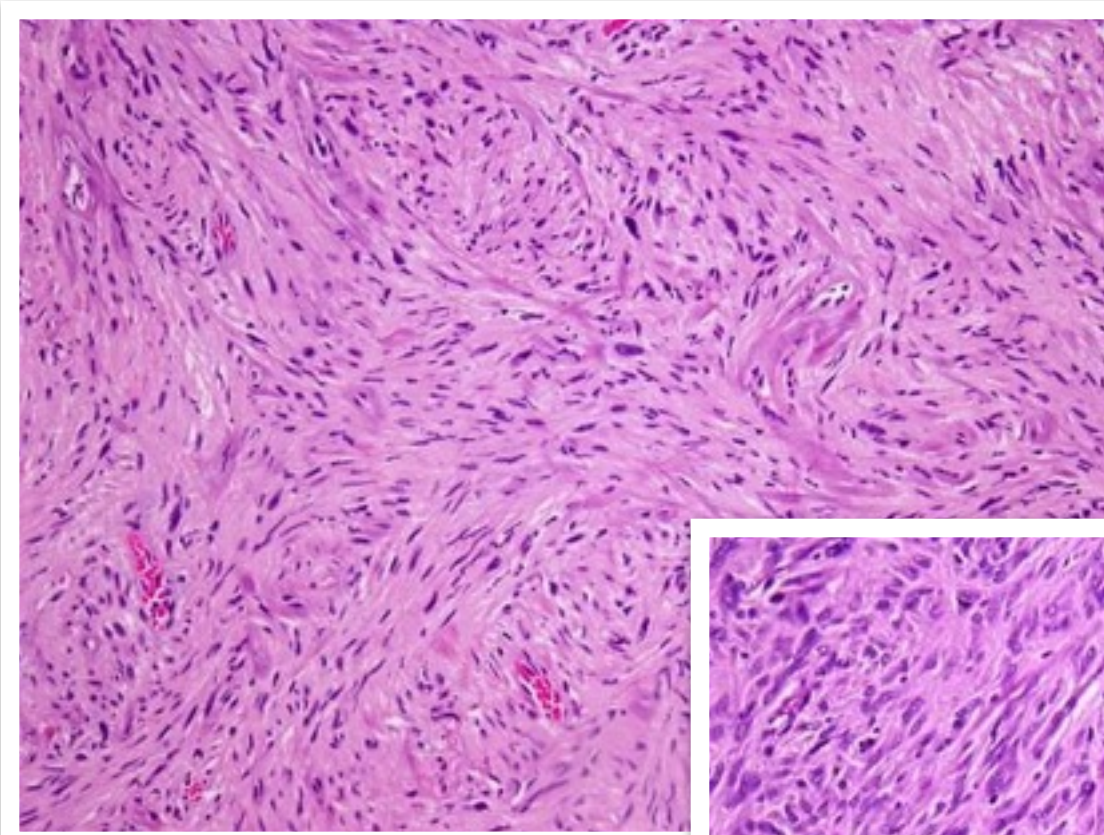
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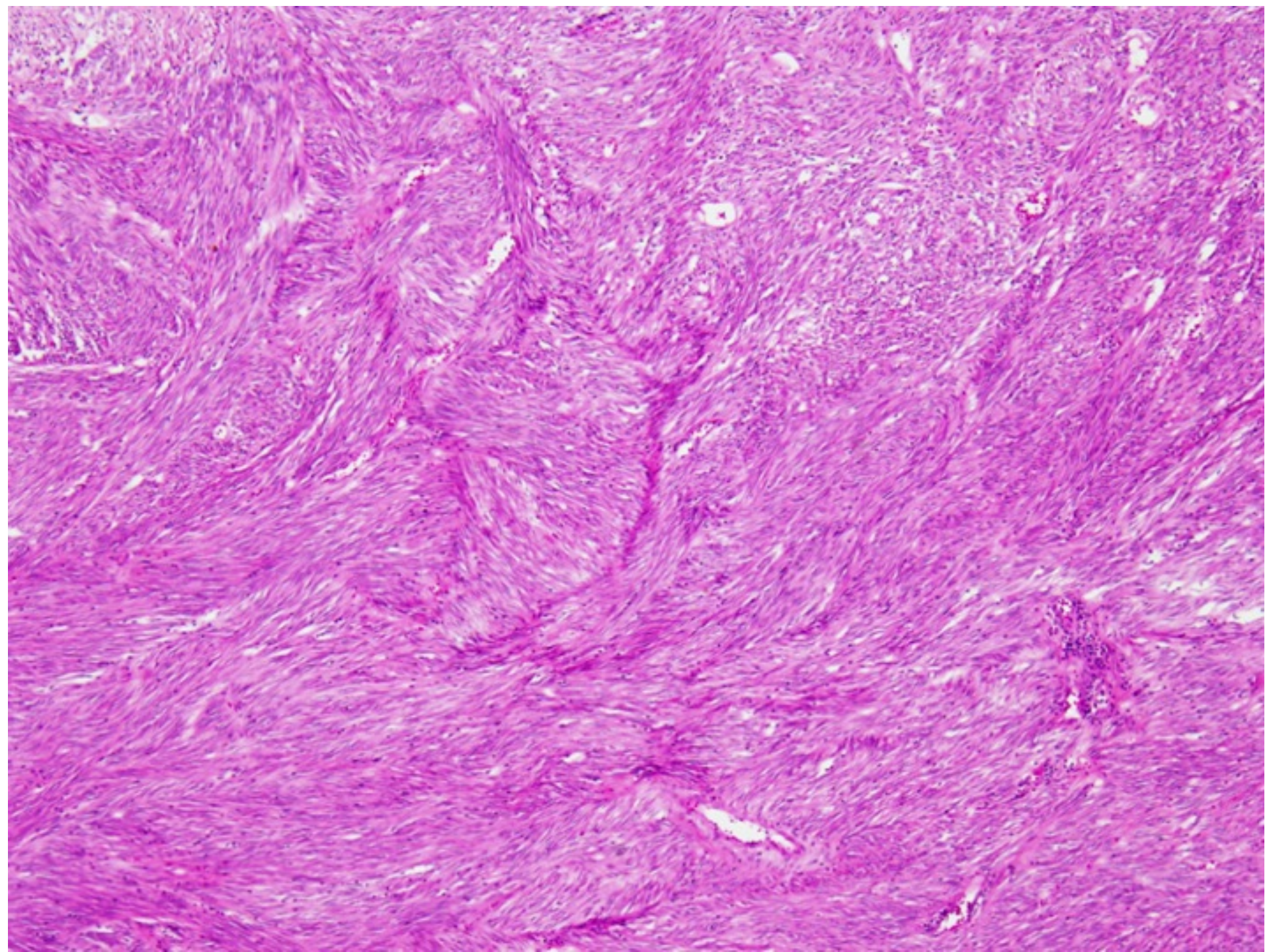
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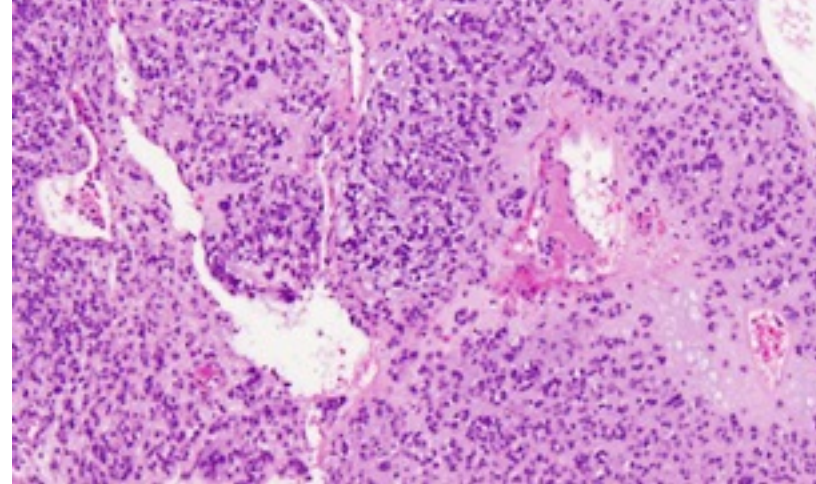
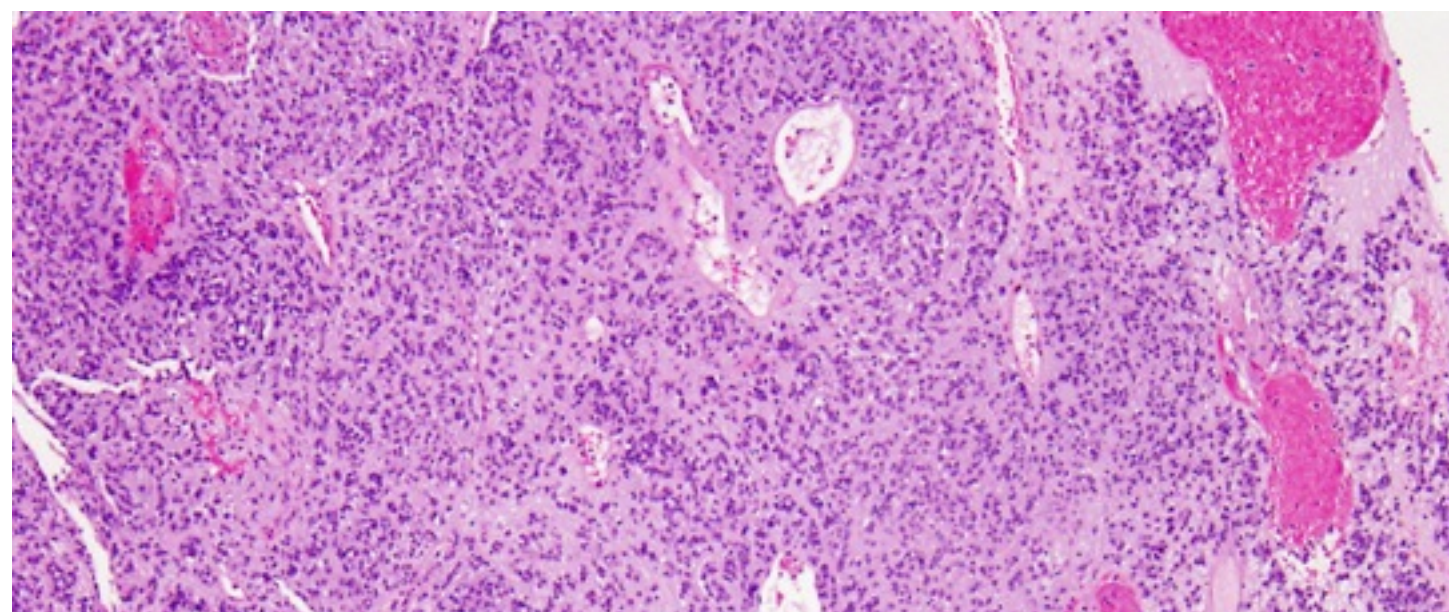
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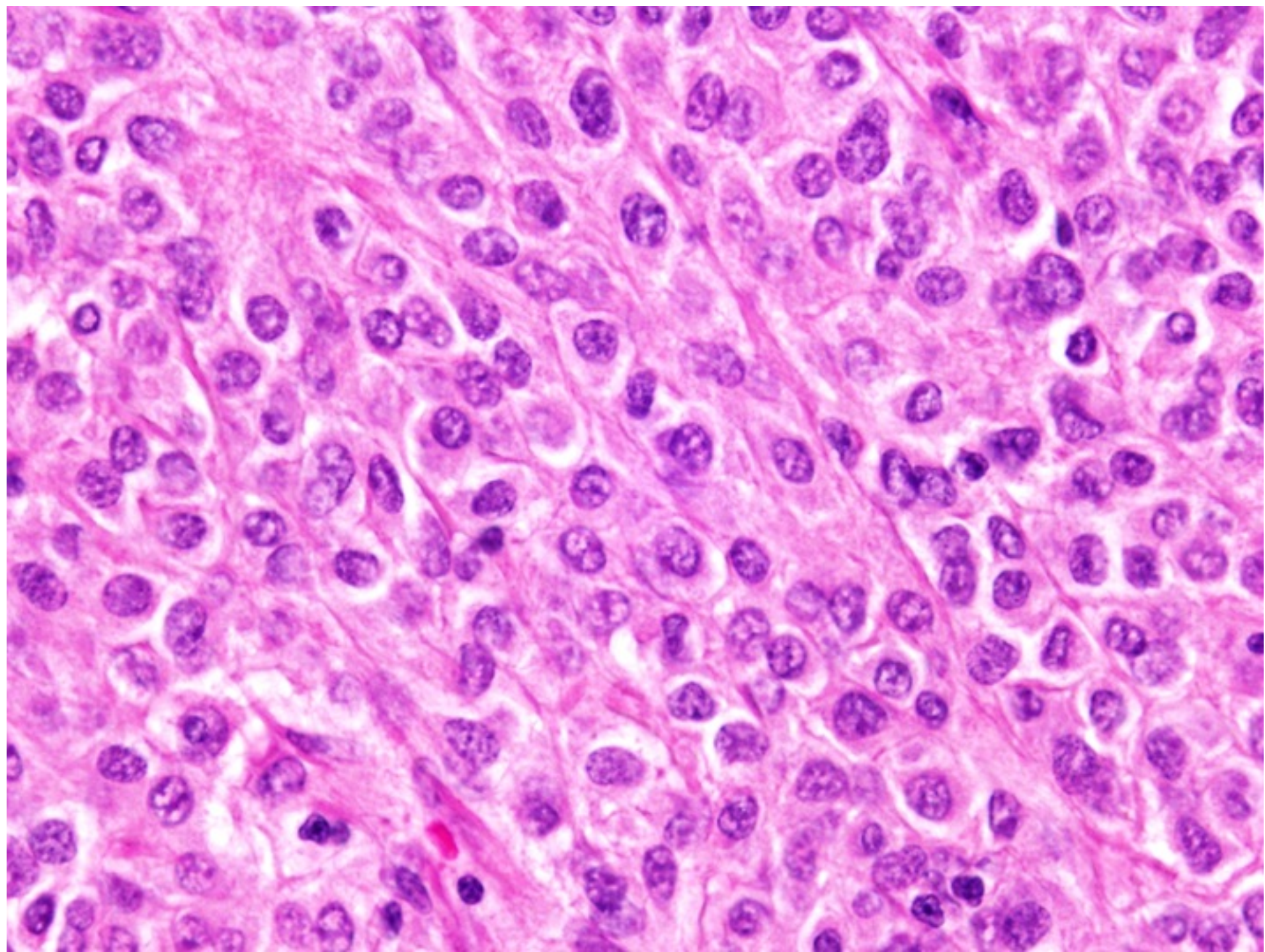


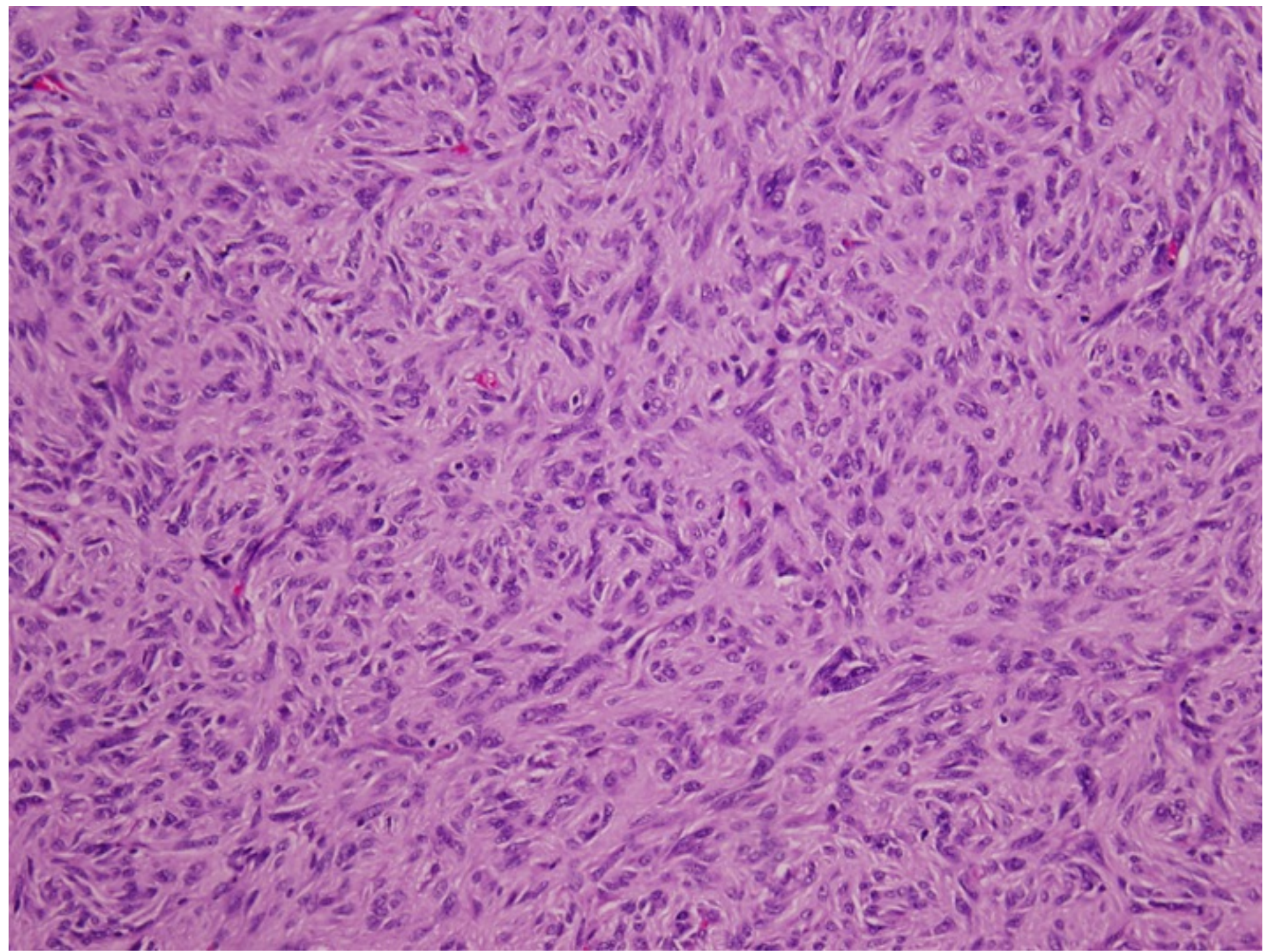
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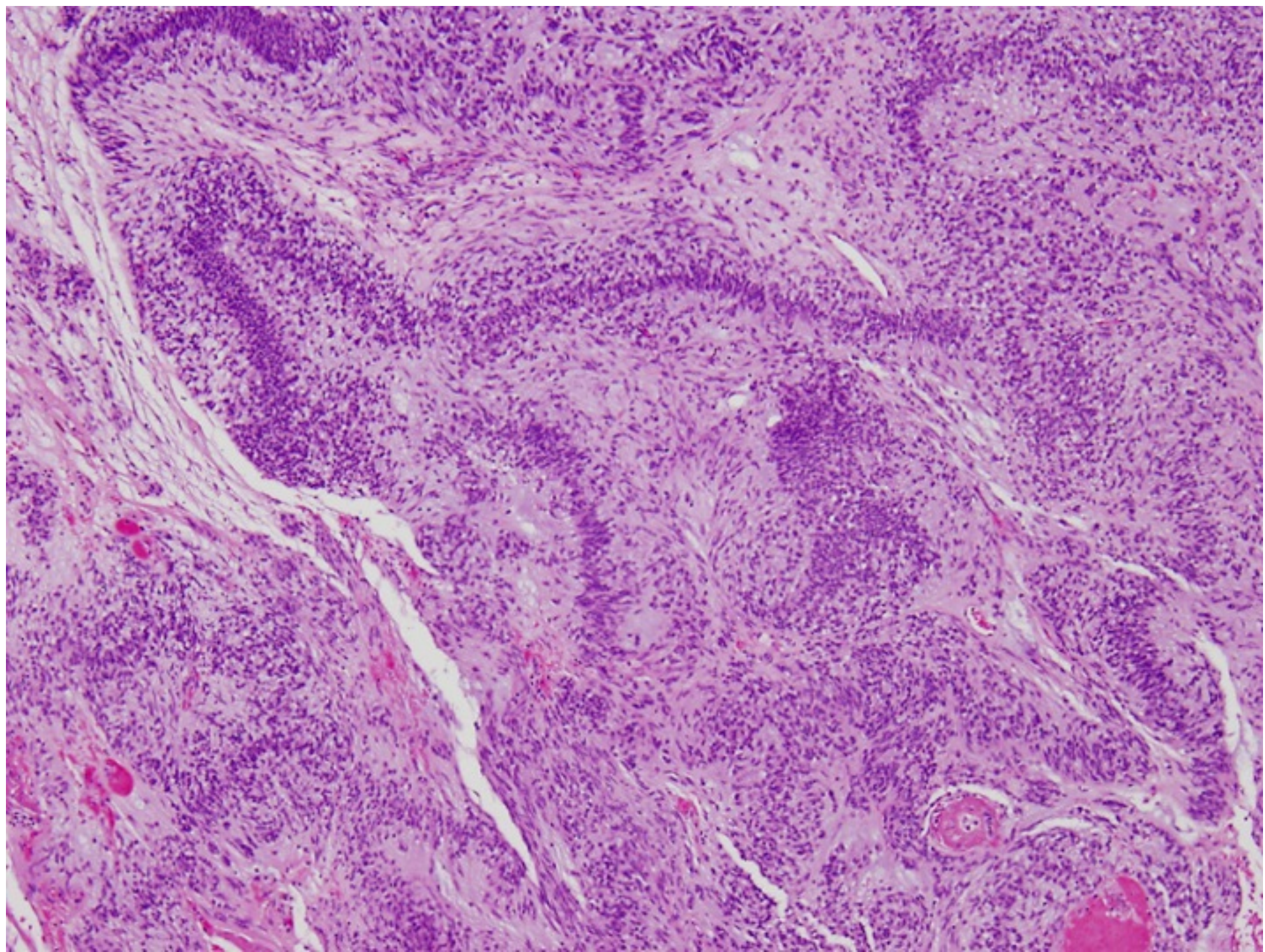


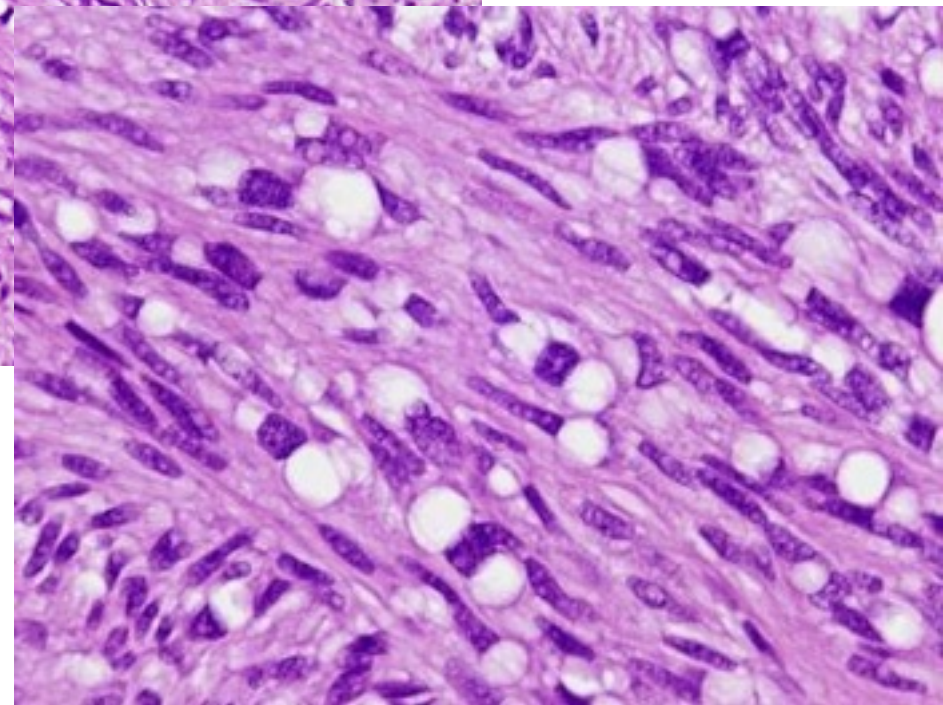
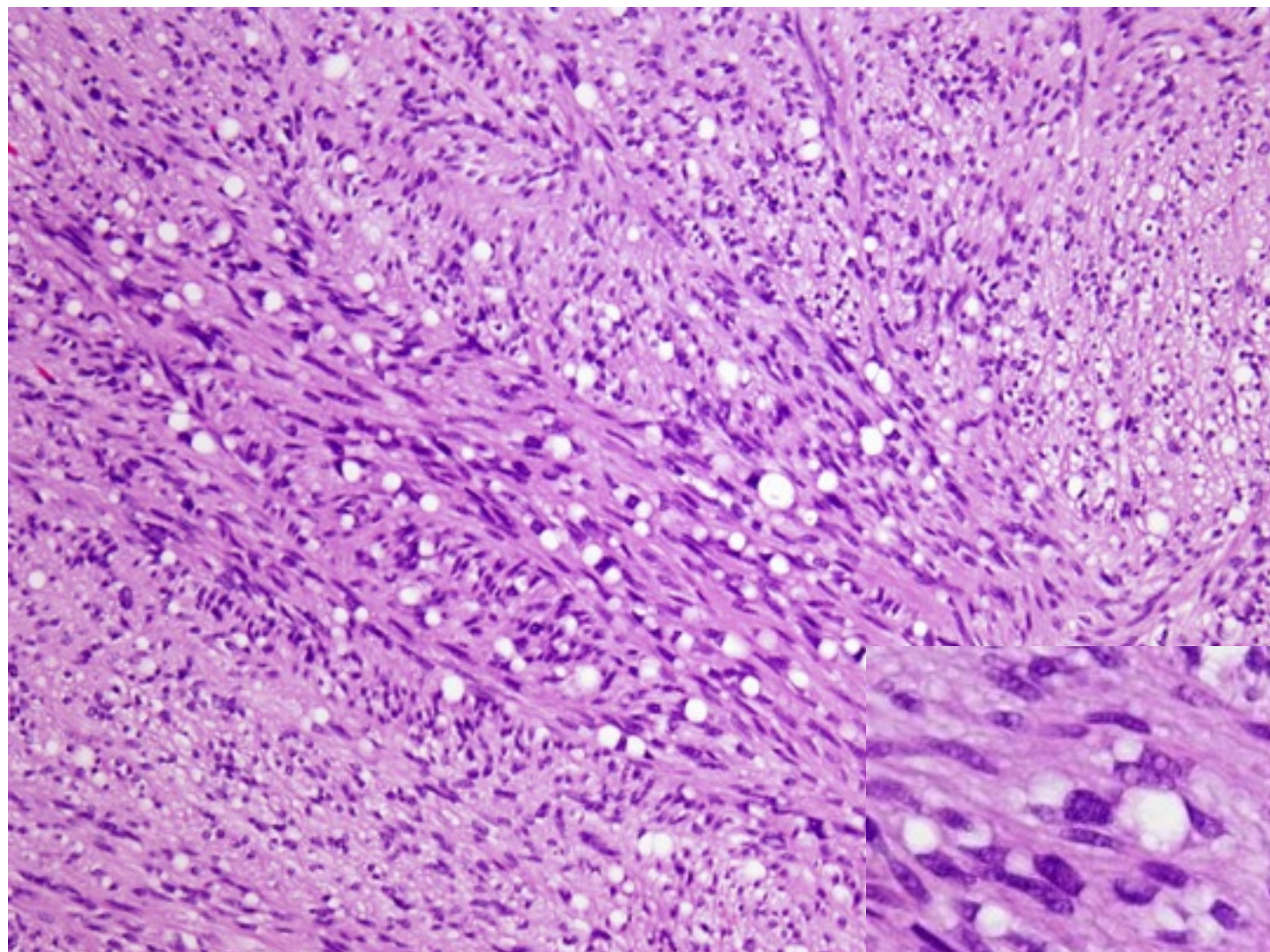




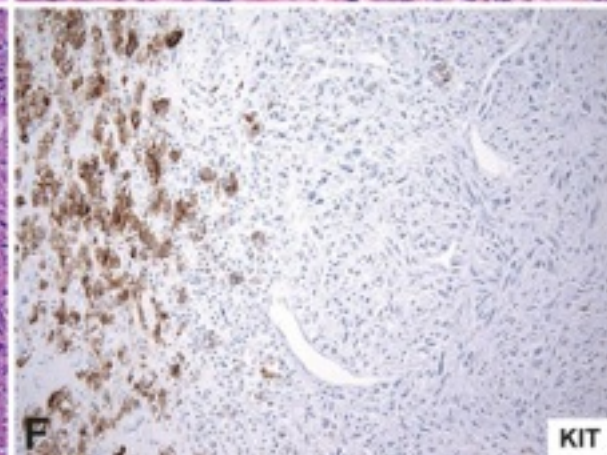
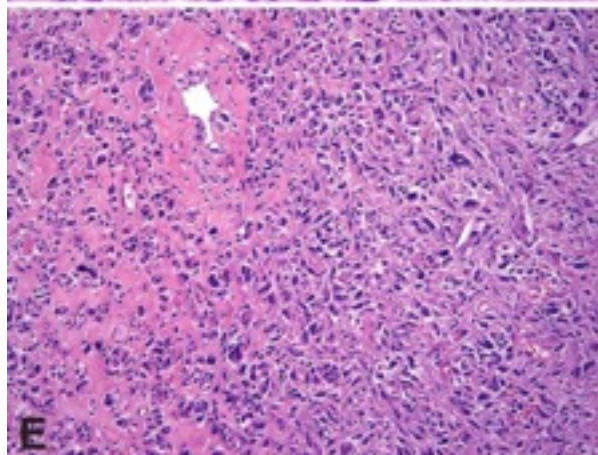
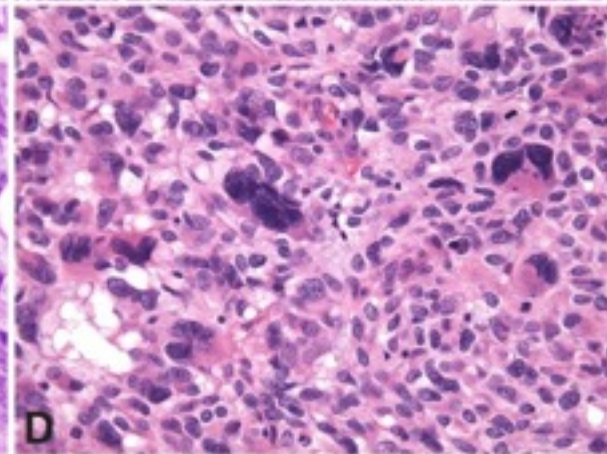
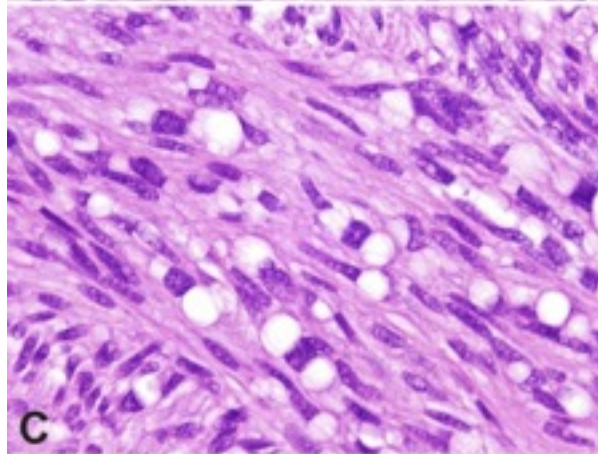
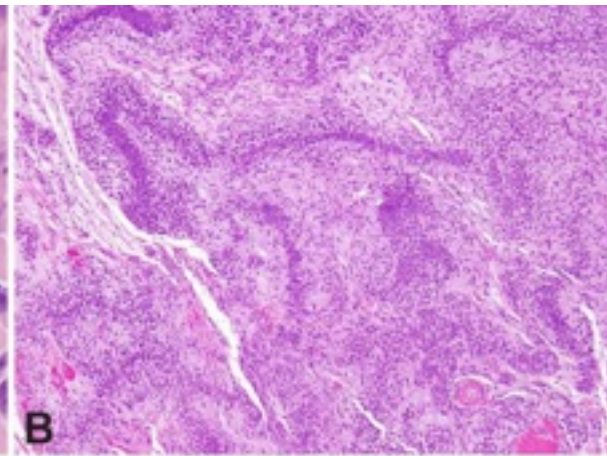
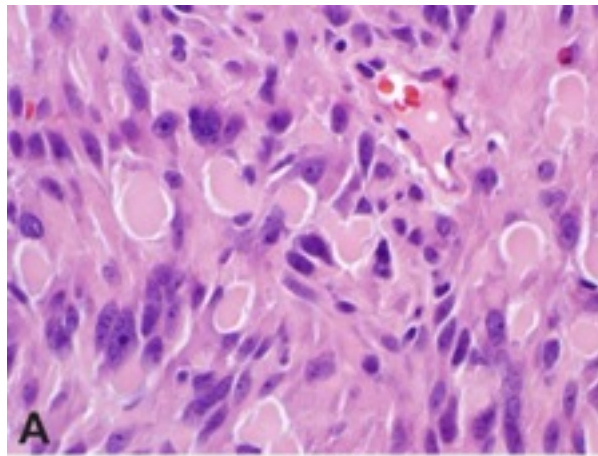


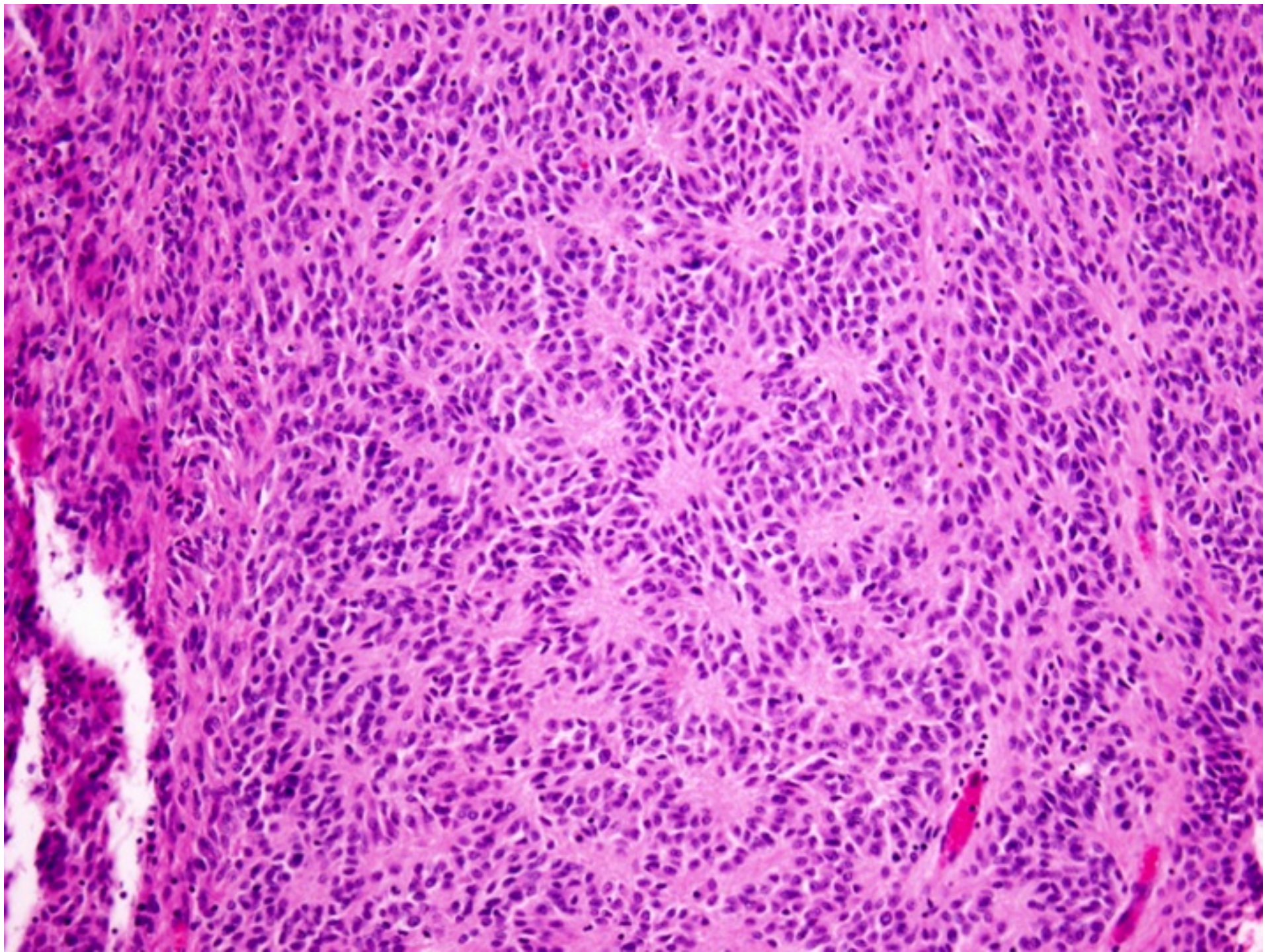


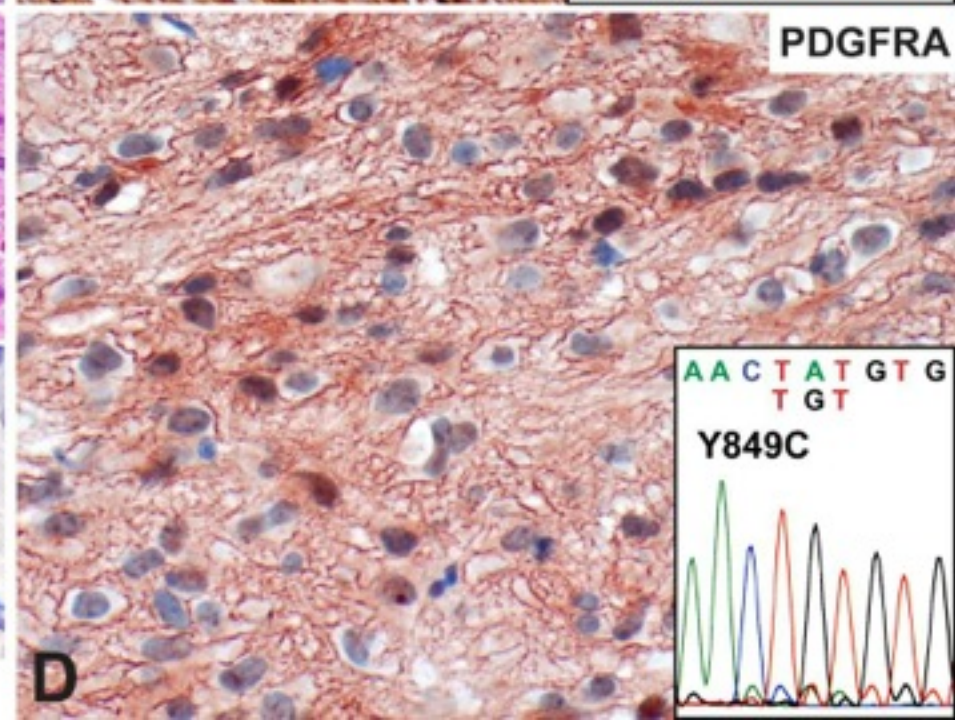
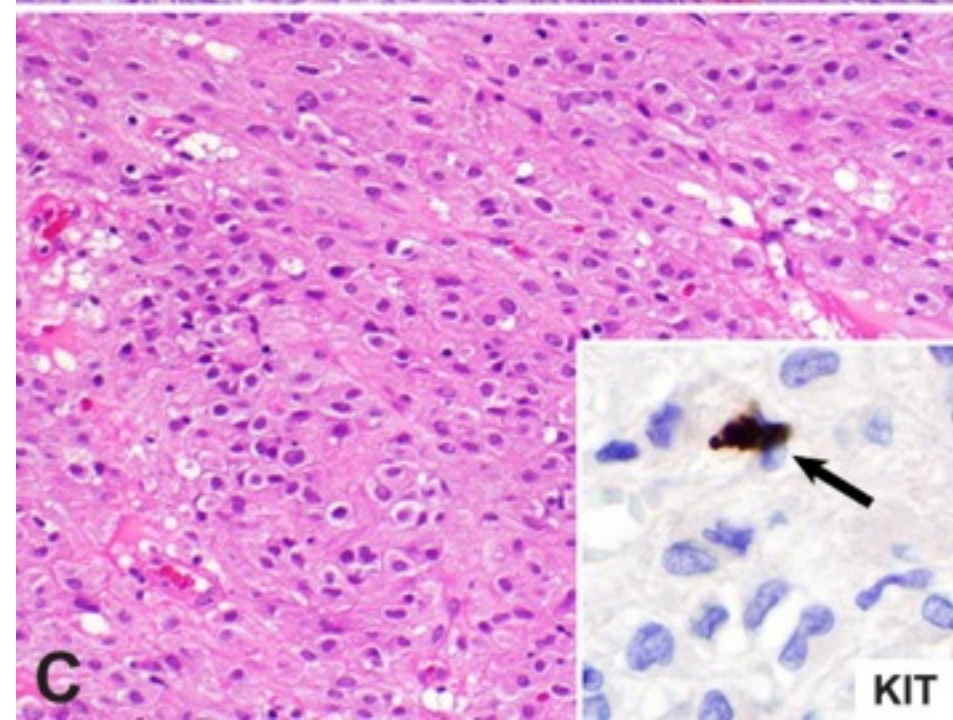
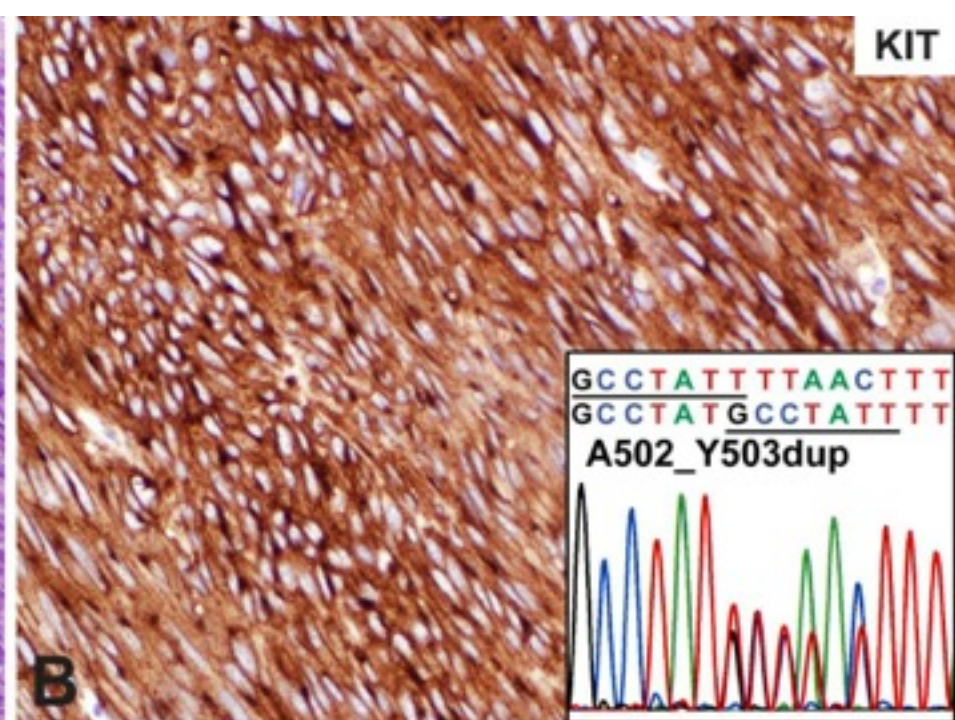
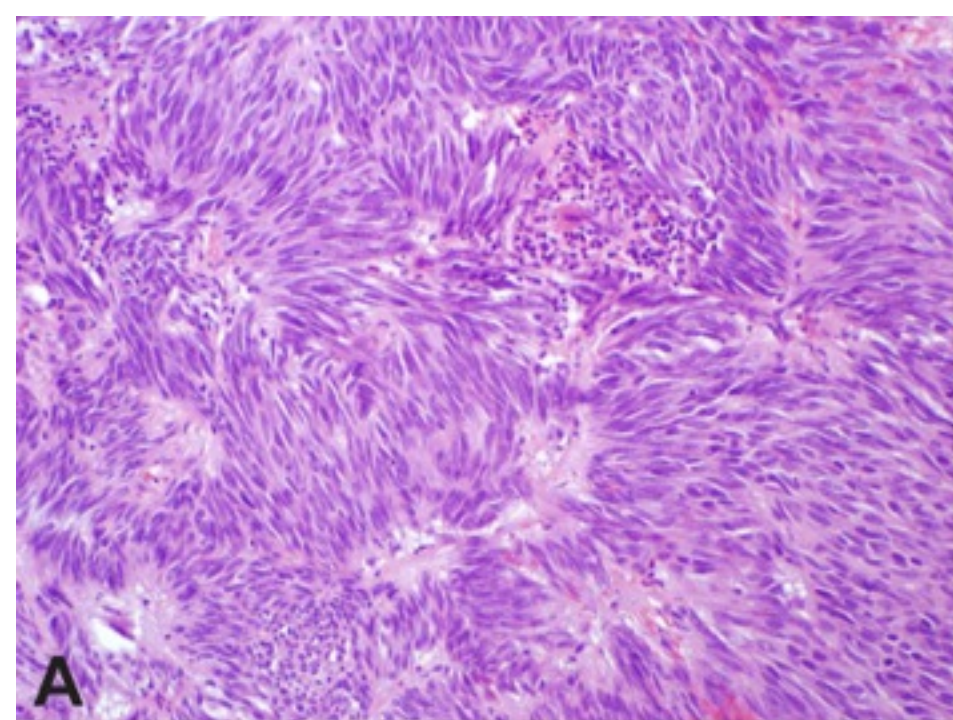


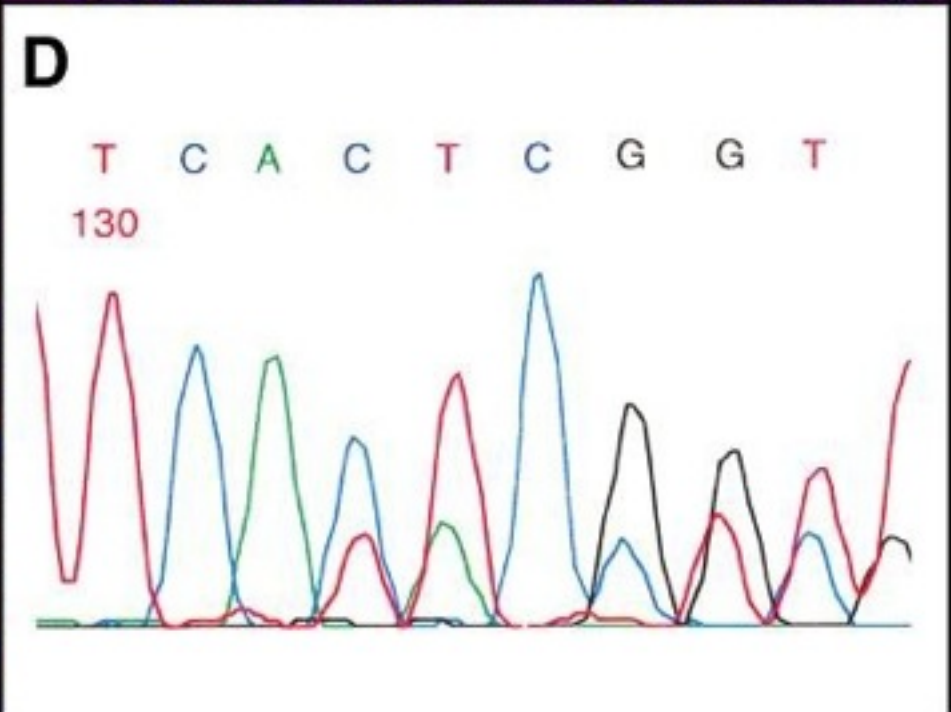
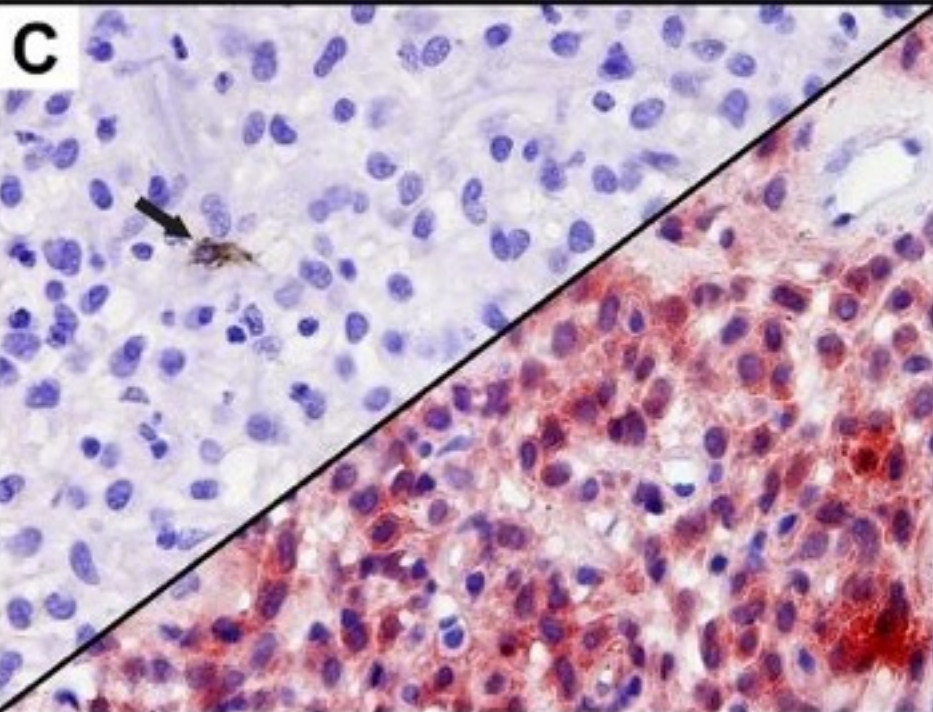
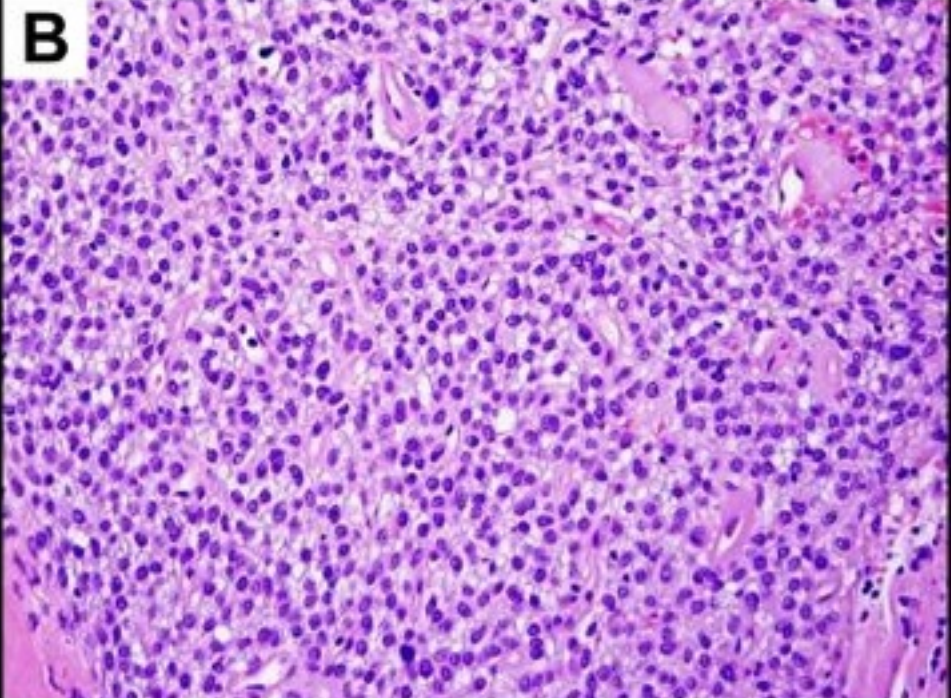
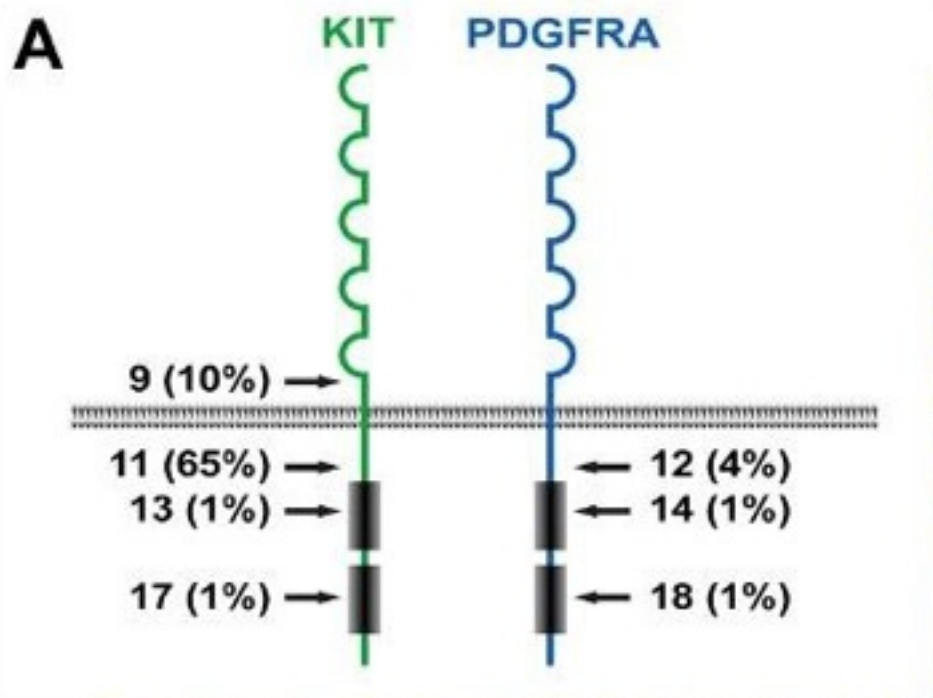






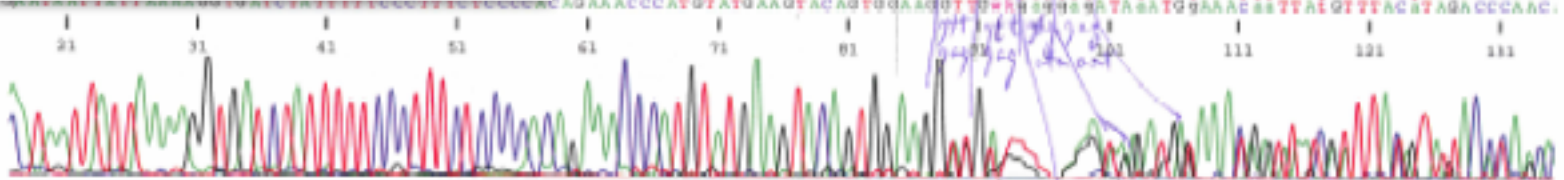
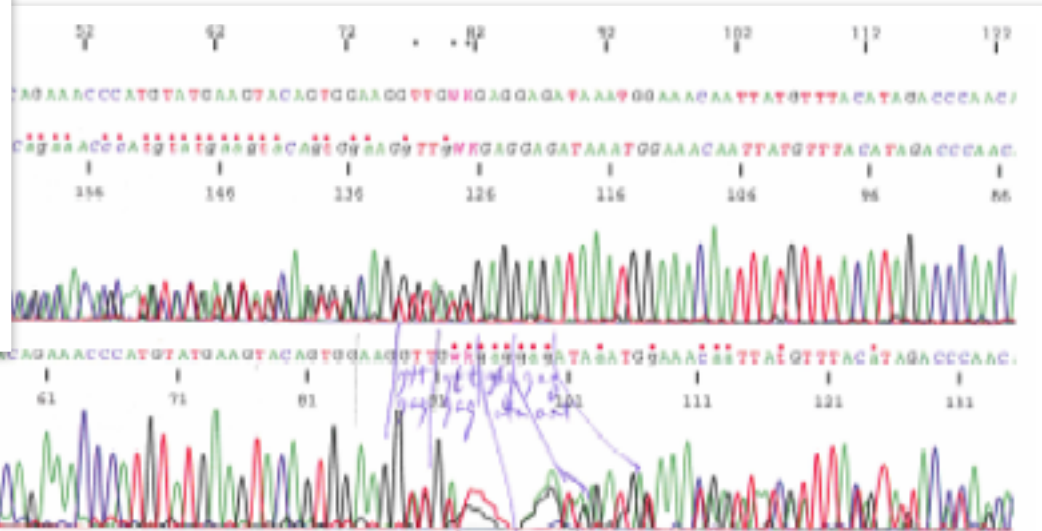
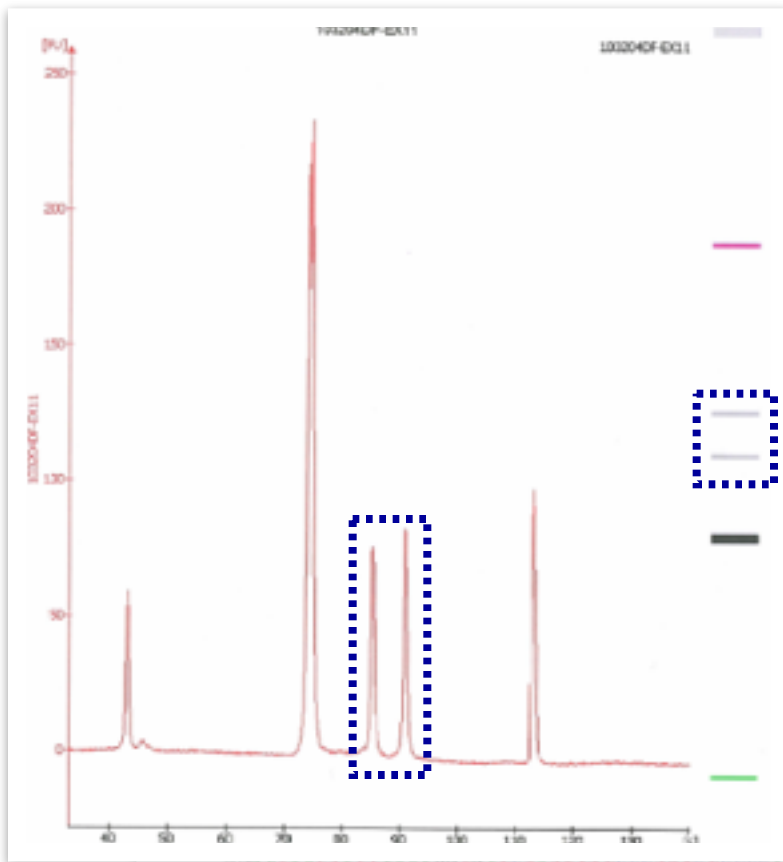






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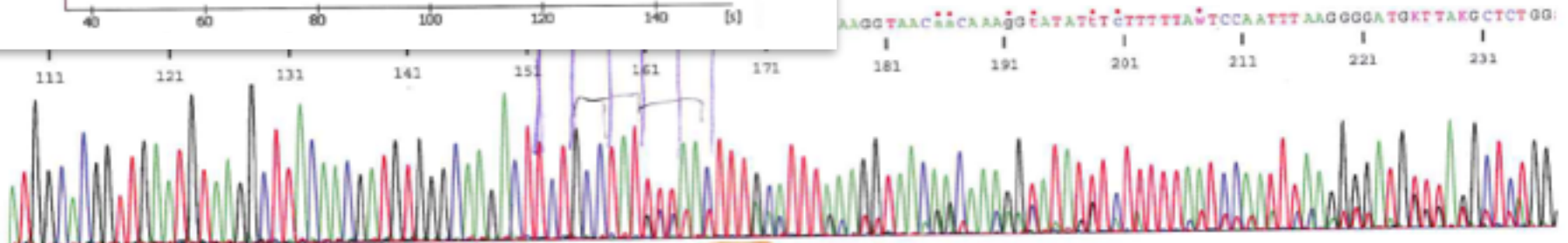
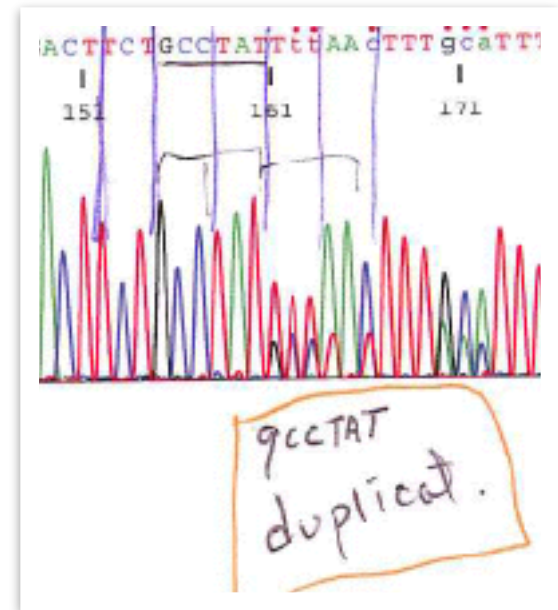
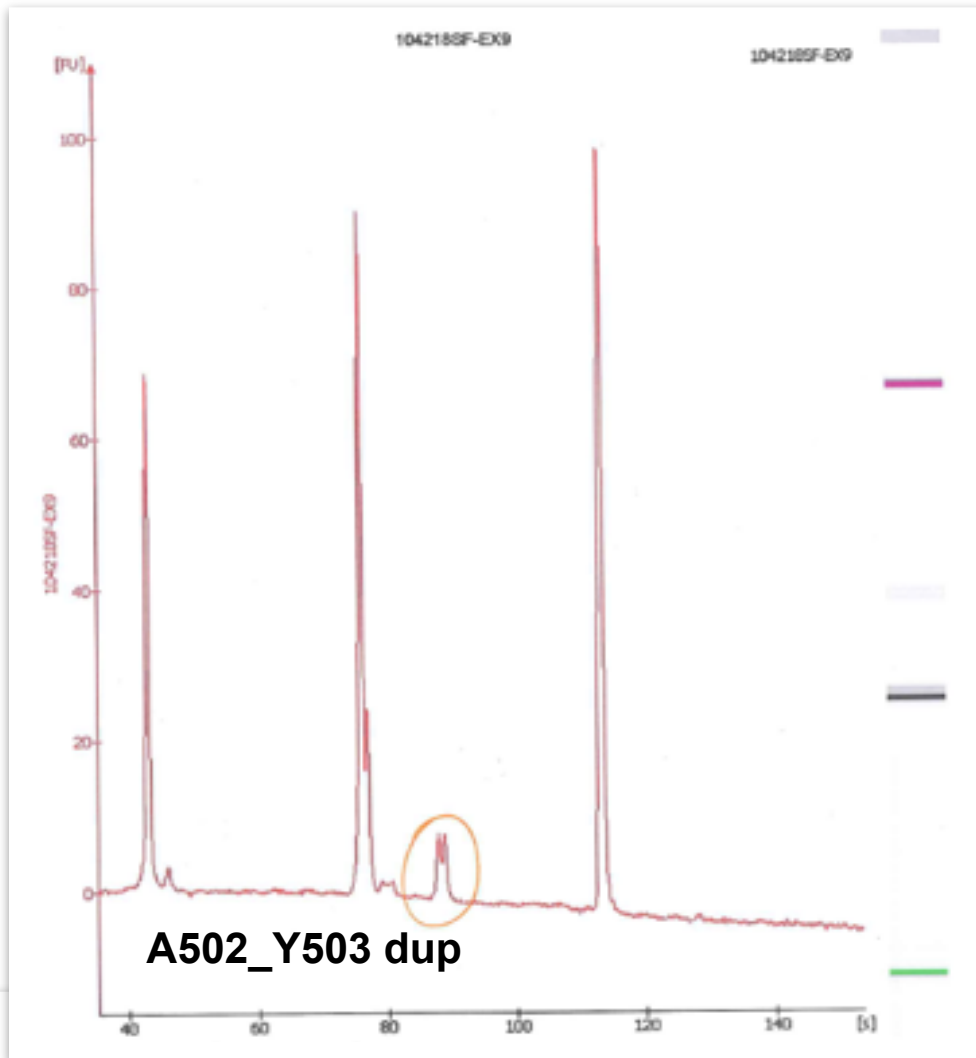


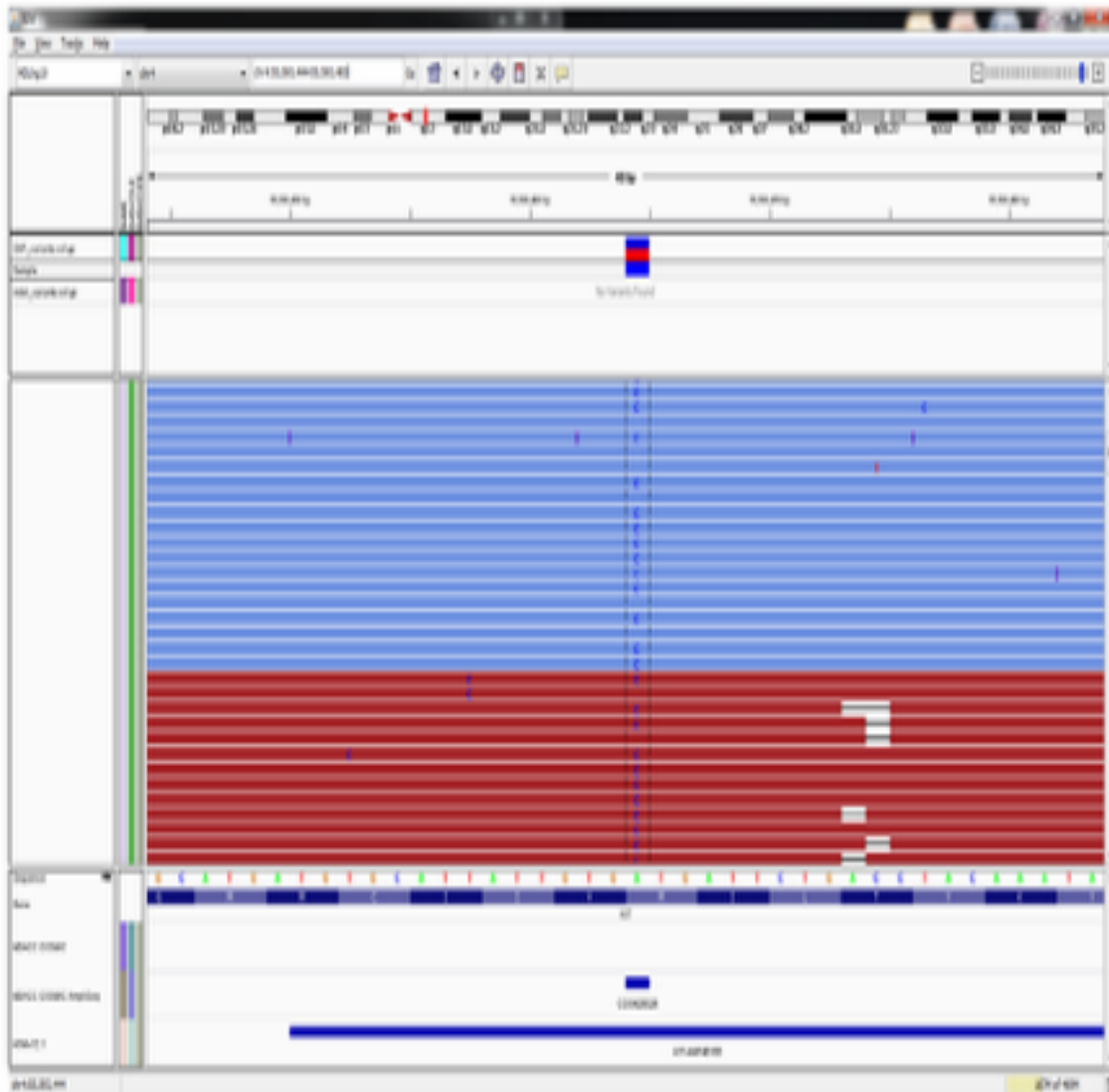
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# Exon 9

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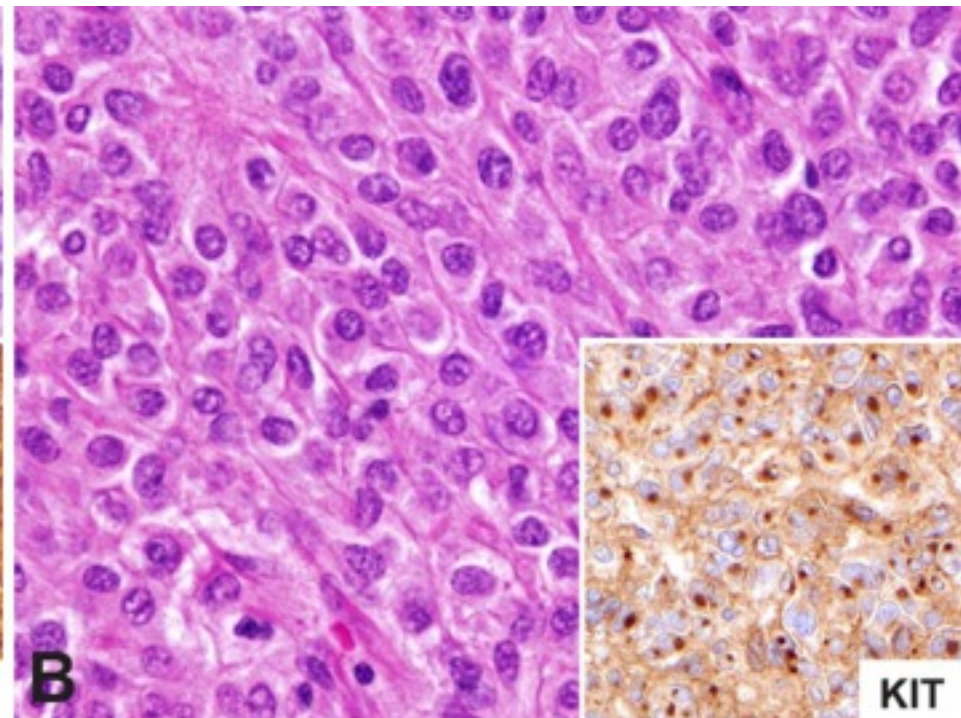
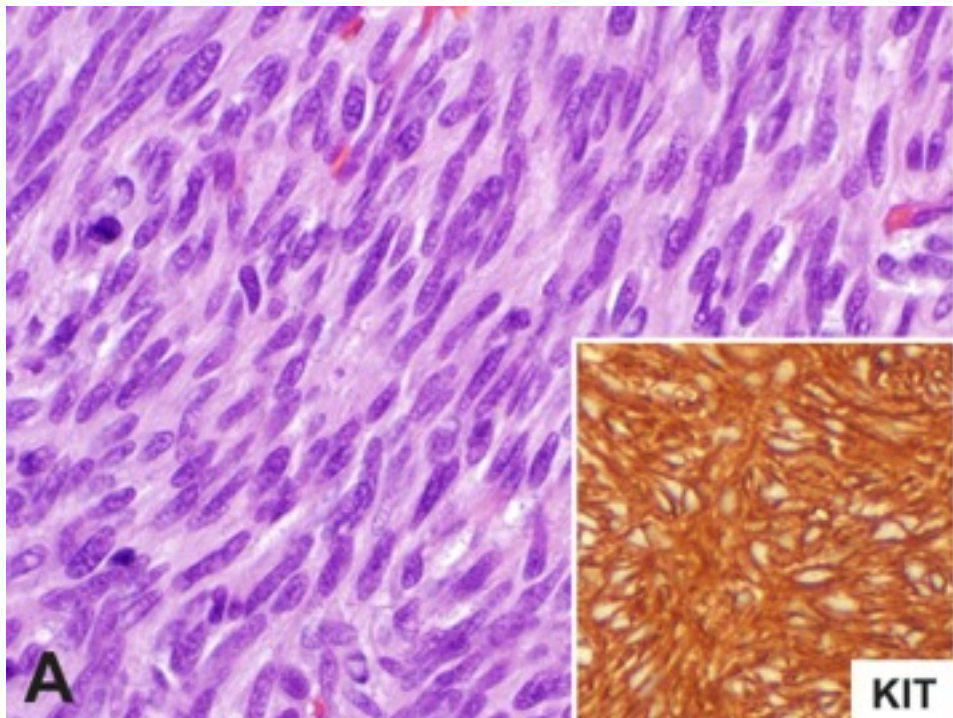
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Patient Sample

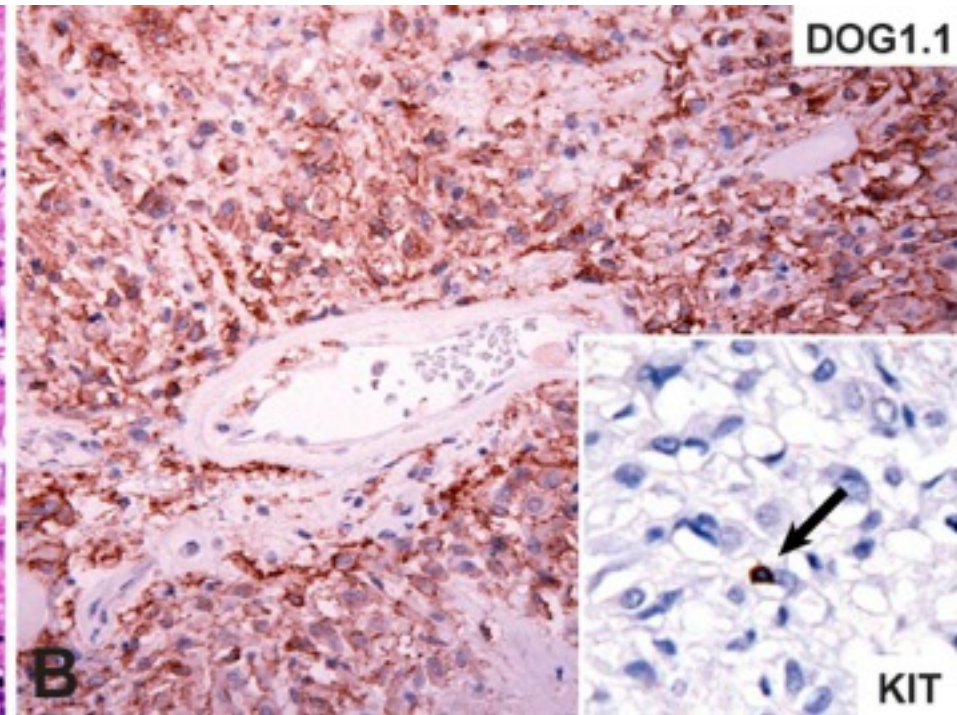
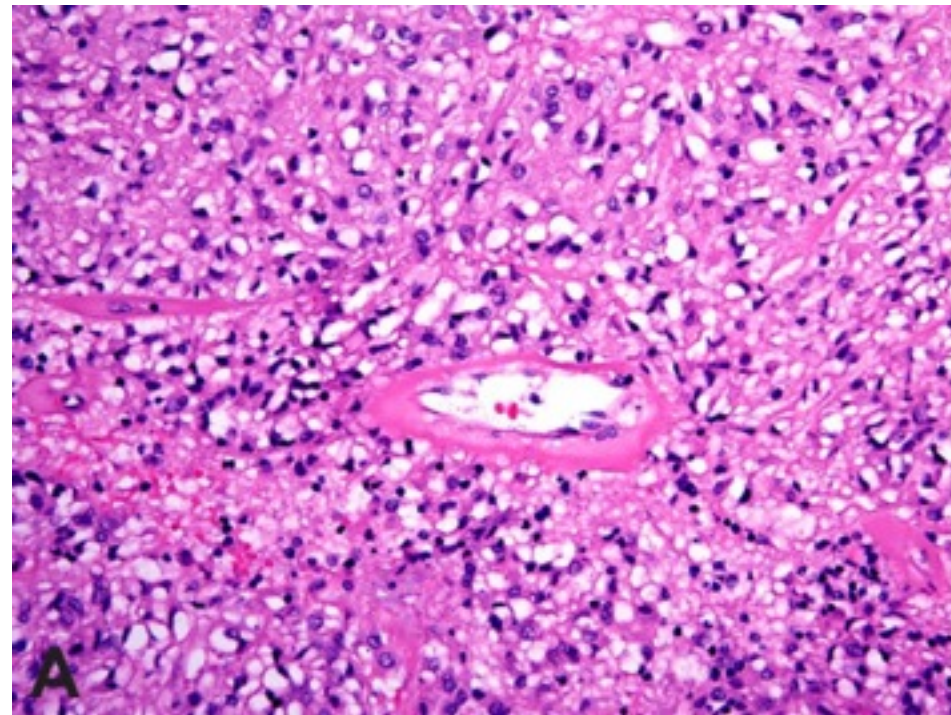
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# ***KIT immunoreactivity in GIST***





# ***KIT-negative GIST***



# ***Gastric GISTs with Distinctive Histology (Multinodular/Plexiform)***

- **Pediatric GISTs**

**Female predominance (peak 2<sup>nd</sup> decade)**

**Indolent, but late metastases common**

**Molecular genetic basis unknown**

## **Carney Triad**

**Gastric GIST, pulmonary chondroma, paraganglioma**

**Molecular genetic basis unknown**

## **Carney-Stratakis Syndrome**

**Gastric GIST and paraganglioma**

**Germline mutations in succinate dehydrogenase subunit genes (*SDHA*, *SDHB*, *SDHC*, or *SDHD*)**

# ***GIST with Distinctive Histology***

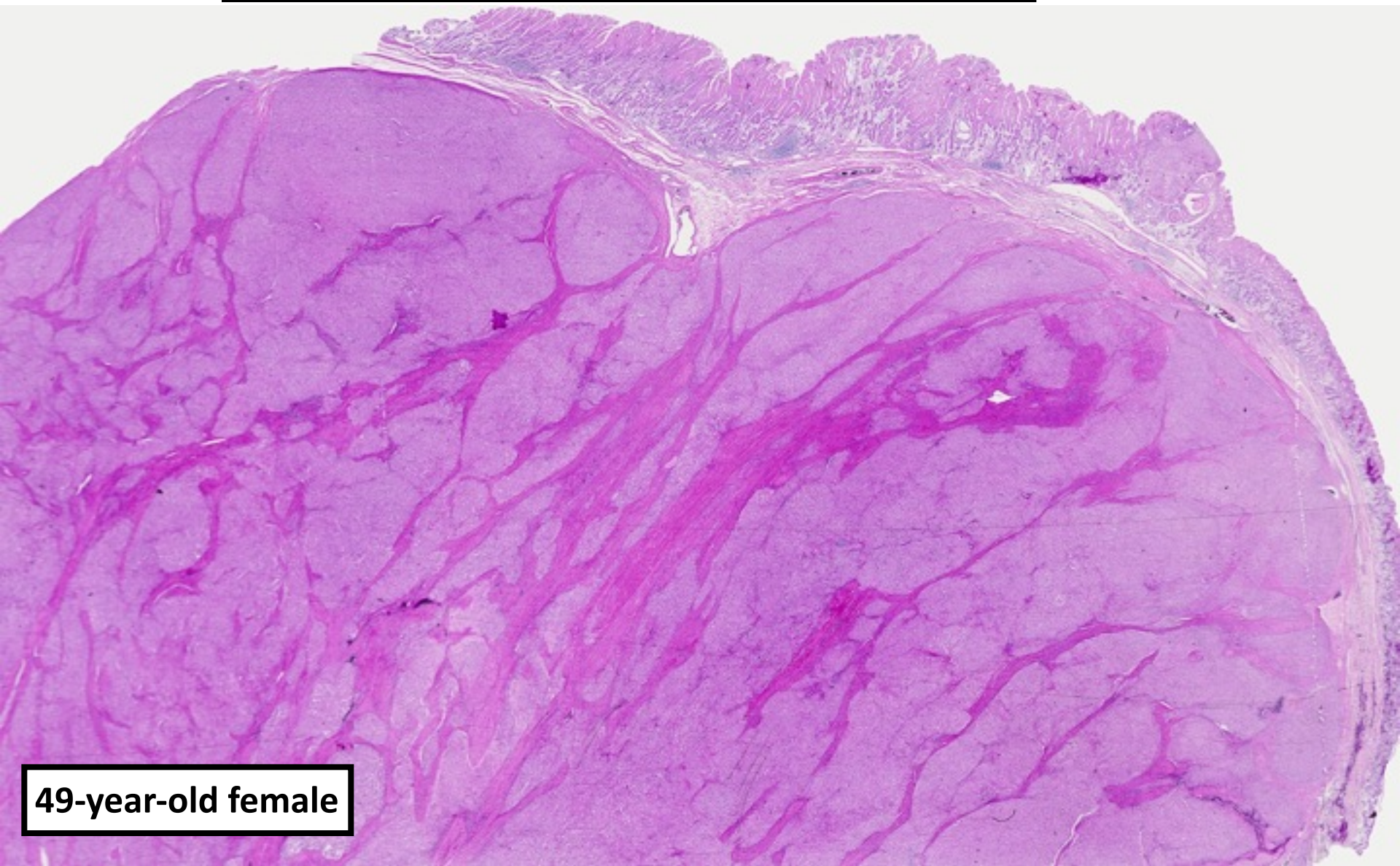
- **Multinodular/plexiform growth pattern**
- **Epithelioid or mixed morphology**
- **“Pediatric-type” or “type 2” GISTs**
- **Loss of SDHB staining by IHC**
- **Lymph node metastases common**
- **Distant metastases common – clinically indolent**
- **Current risk assessment criteria do not reliably predict behavior**
- **No response to imatinib**

**11-year-old female**



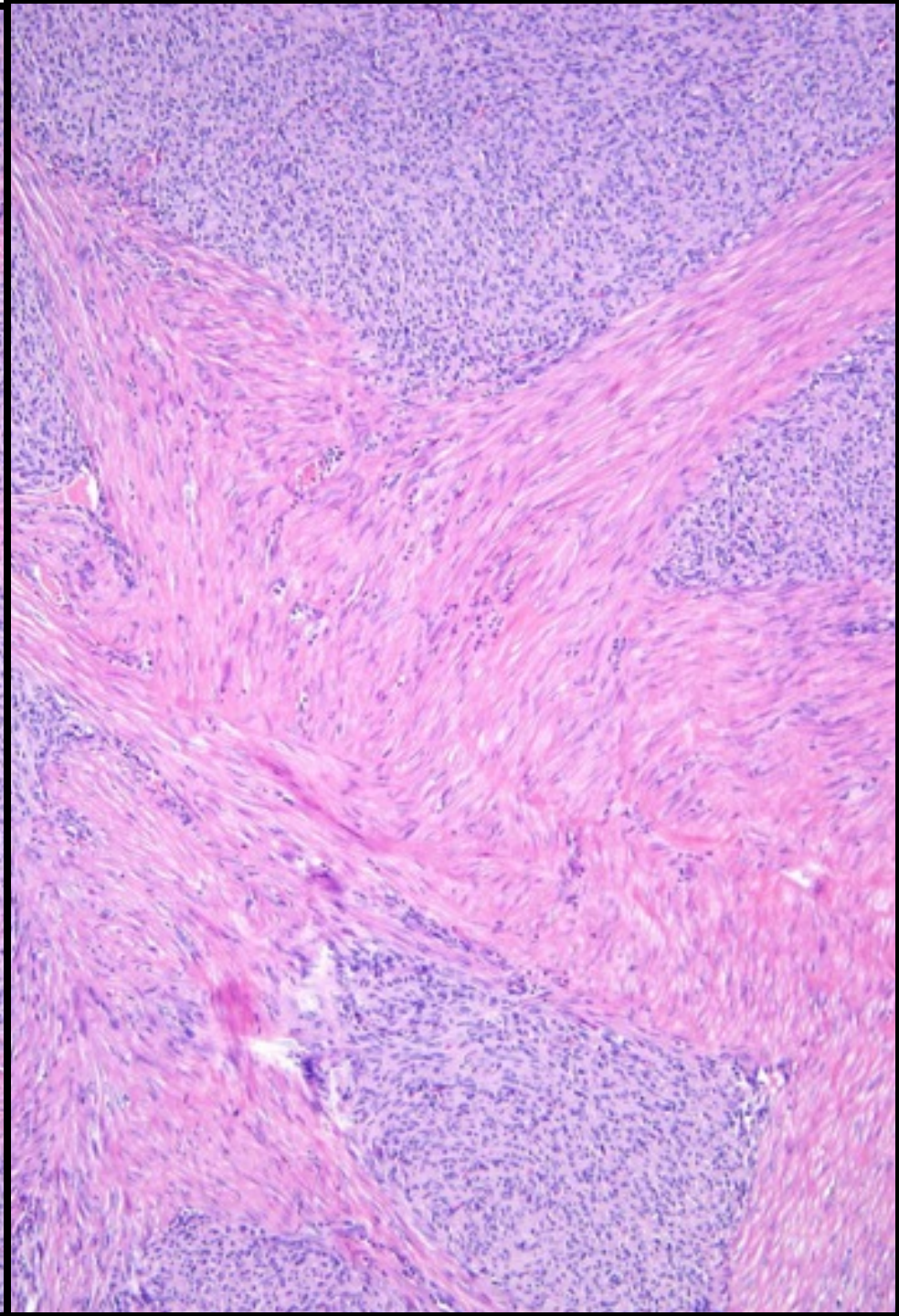
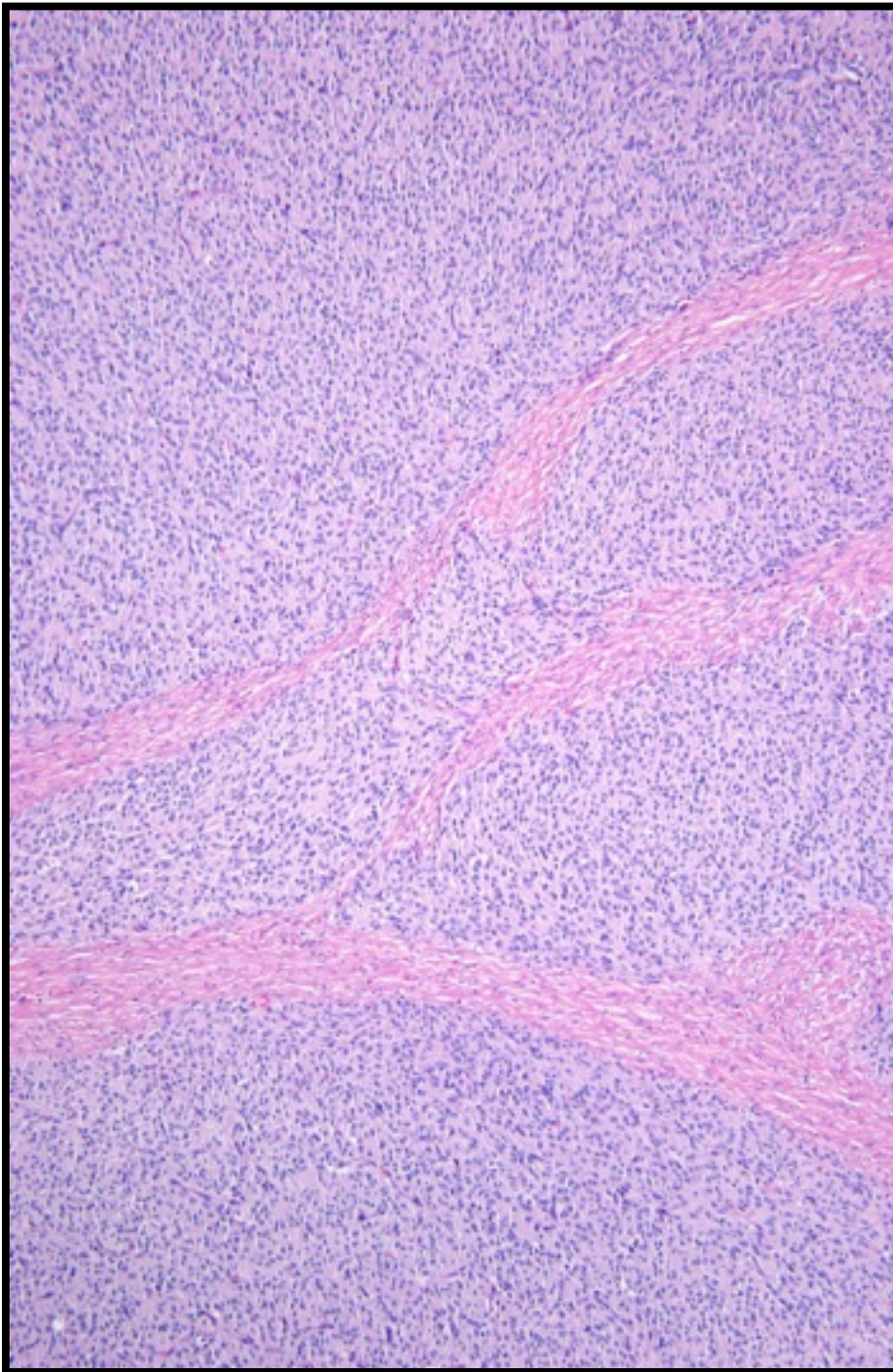
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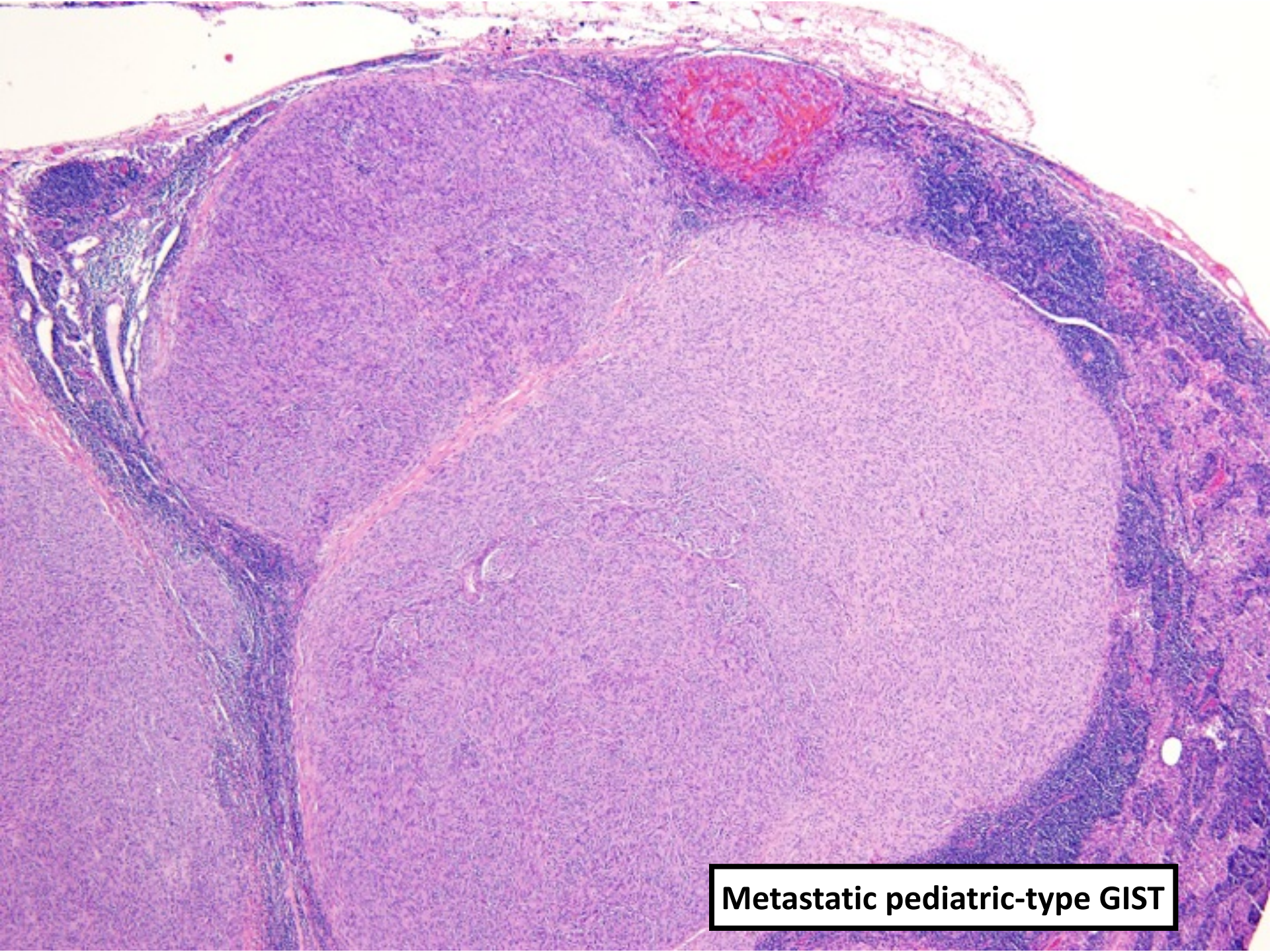
# Pediatric-type GIST in an Adult



49-year-old female

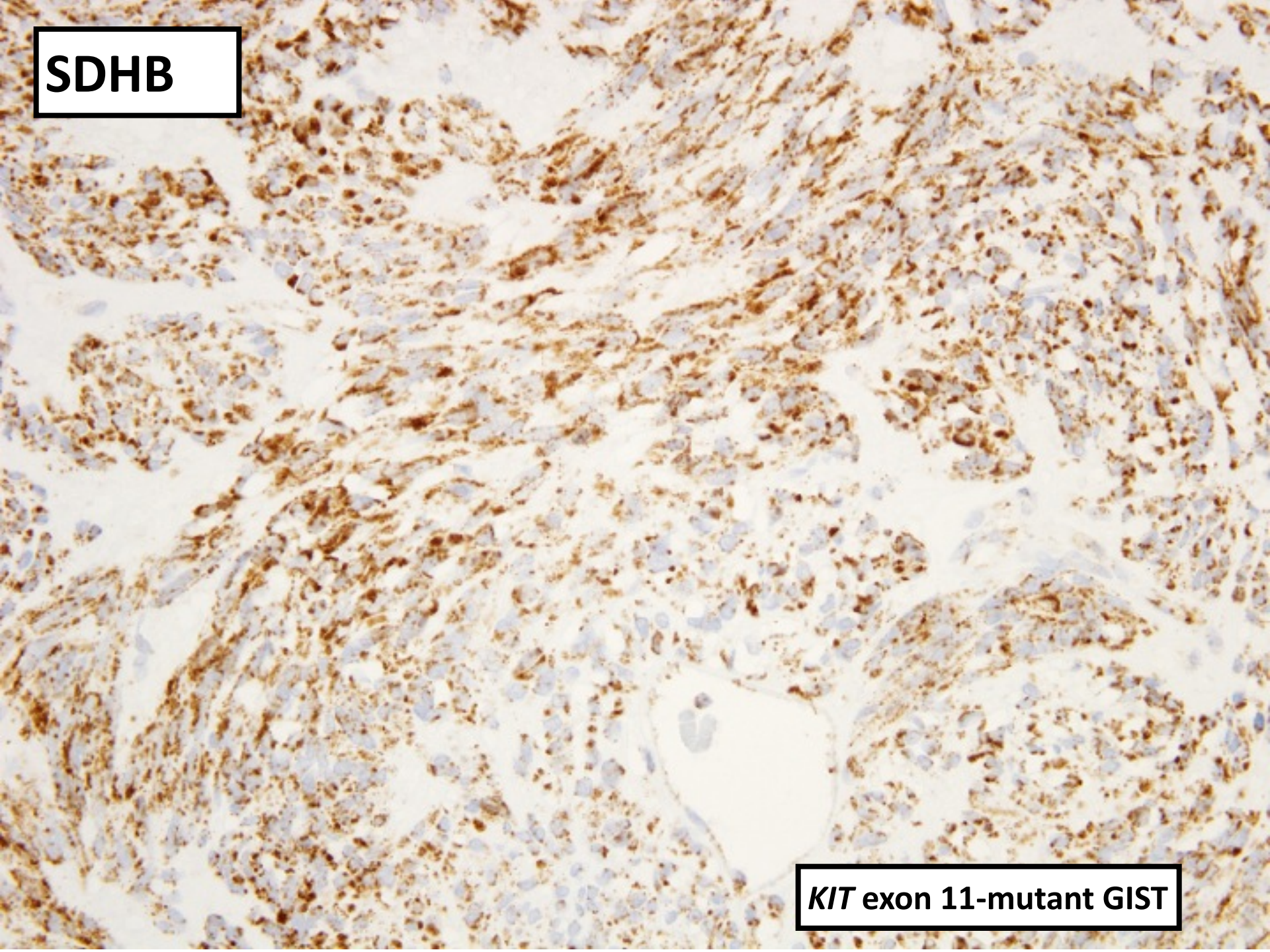
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**Metastatic pediatric-type GIST**

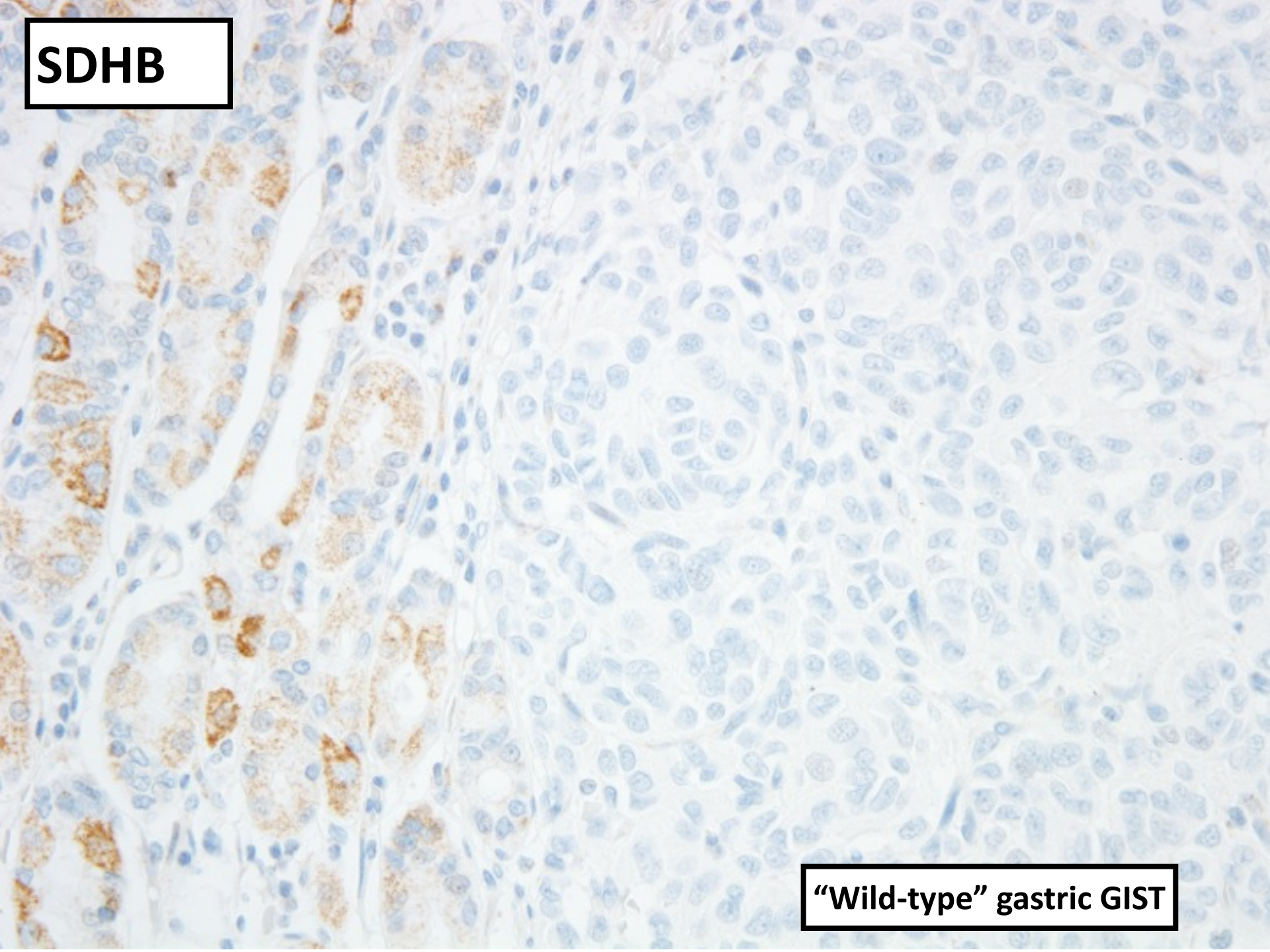
**SDHB**



***KIT* exon 11-mutant GIST**



**SDHB**



**“Wild-type” gastric GIST**

# ***Risk assessment in GIST***

# ***GIST – Prognostic Factors***

**Size**

**Mitotic Rate**

**Anatomic Location**

**Pleomorphism**

**Cellularity**

**Necrosis**

**Mucosal Invasion**

**Proliferation Markers (Ki-67, Mib-1, PCNA, etc)**

**DNA Flow Cytometry**

**Image Analysis**

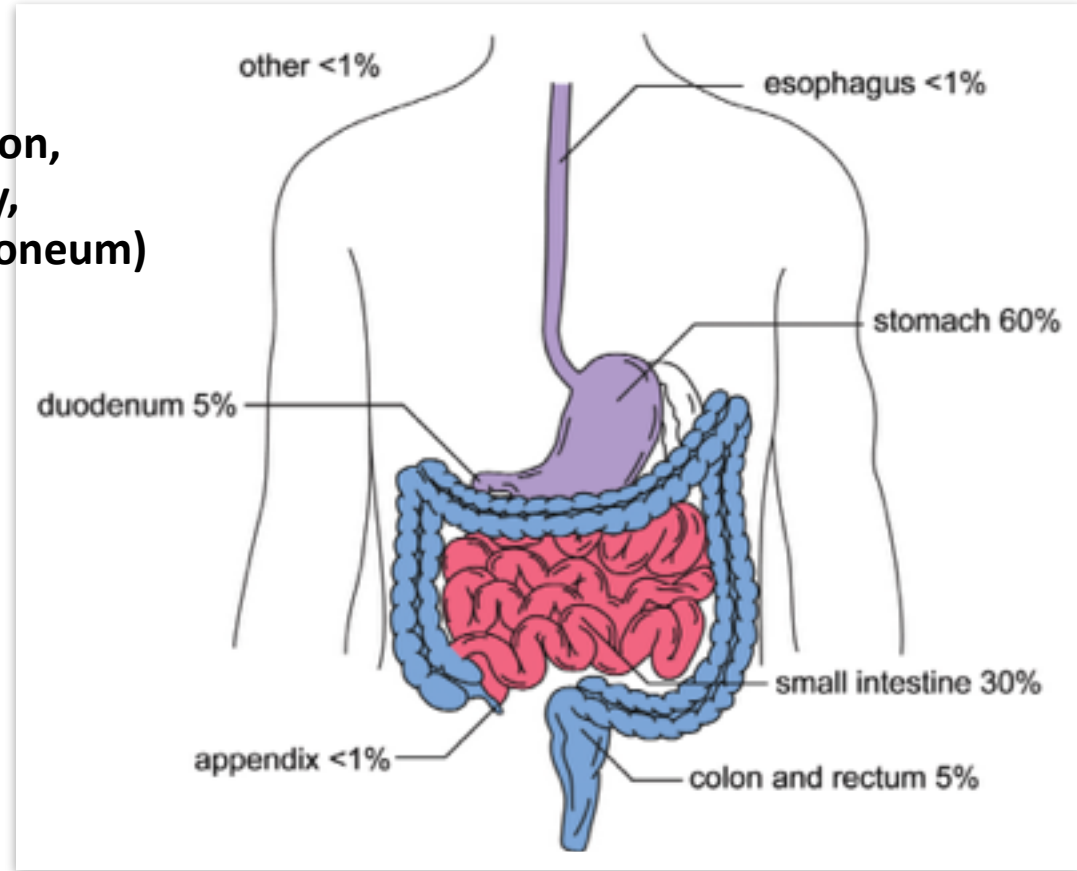
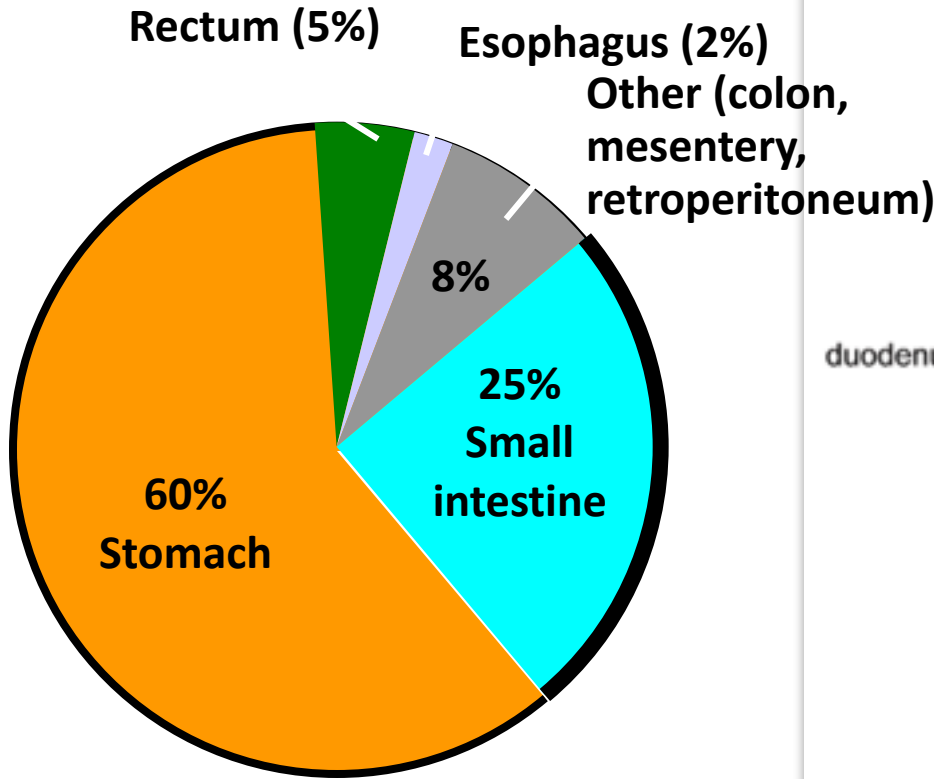
**Nuclear Organizer Regions**

**Problem – Small GISTs without mitoses  
can metastasize!**

# ***NIH Consensus Risk Assessment***

	<b>Size</b>	<b>Mitotic Count</b>
<b>Very Low Risk</b>	<b>&lt; 2 cm</b>	<b>&lt; 5/50 HPF</b>
<b>Low Risk</b>	<b>2-5 cm</b>	<b>&lt; 5/50 HPF</b>
<b>Intermediate Risk</b>	<b>&lt; 5 cm</b>	<b>6-10/50 HPF</b>
	<b>5-10 cm</b>	<b>&lt; 5/50 HPF</b>
<b>High Risk</b>	<b>&gt; 5 cm</b>	<b>&gt; 5/50 HPF</b>
	<b>&gt; 10 cm</b>	<b>Any Mitotic Rate</b>
	<b>Any Size</b>	<b>&gt; 10/50 HPF</b>

# ***GIST: Sites of Involvement***



**Omentum, mesentery, pelvis and retroperitoneum = EGIST (<1%)**

# 2007/2010/2014 NCCN GIST Risk Assessment Guidelines\*\*\*

Tumor	Parameters	Risk of	Progressive	Disease	
	Size	Gastric	Duodenum	Jejunum/Ileum	Rectum
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Index	> 2 ≤ 5 cm	Very low (1.9%)	Low (8.3%)	Low (4.3%)	Low (8.5%)
≤ 5 per 50 hpf	> 5 ≤ 10 cm	Low (3.6%)	(Insuff. data)	Moderate (24%)	(Insuff. data)
	> 10 cm	Moderate (10%)	High (34%)	High (52%)	High (57%)
Mitotic	≤ 2 cm	None*	(Insuff. data)	High*	High (54%)
Index	> 2 ≤ 5 cm	Moderate (16%)	High (50%)	High (73%)	High (52%)
> 5 per 50 hpf	> 5 ≤ 10 cm	High (55%)	(Insuff. data)	High (85%)	(Insuff. data)
	> 10 cm	High (86%)	High (86%)	High (90%)	High (71%)

# ***GIST - Gross Appearance***



Courtesy of Brian Rubin, Cleveland Clinic



MILITARY SERVICE

1 - Alpha	11 - November
2 - Bravo	12 - Oscar
3 - Charlie	13 - Lima
4 - Delta	14 - Yankee
5 - Echo	15 - Romeo
6 - Foxtrot	16 - Golf
7 - Golf	17 - Hotel
8 - Hotel	18 - India
9 - India	19 - Juliett
10 - Juliett	20 - Kilo

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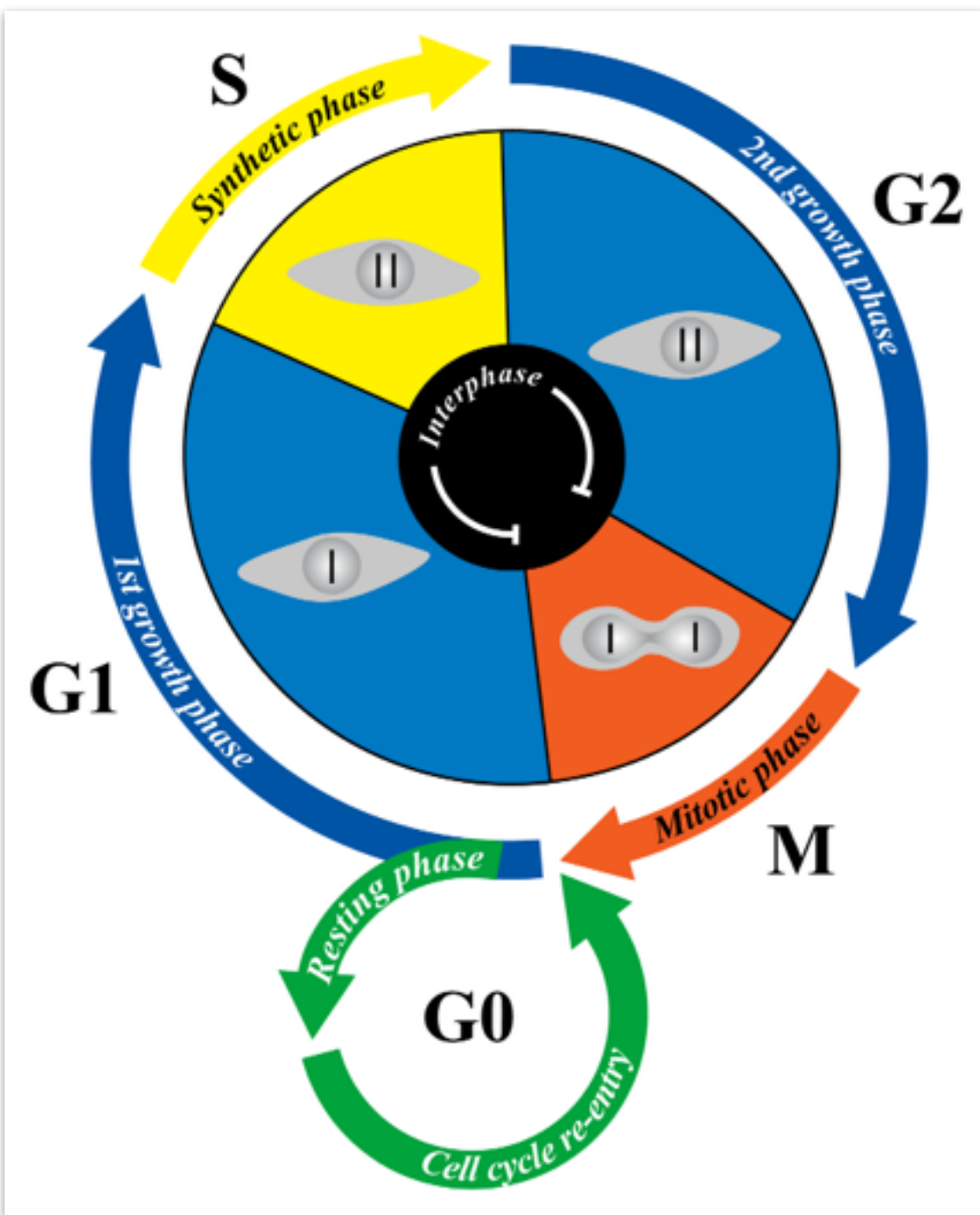


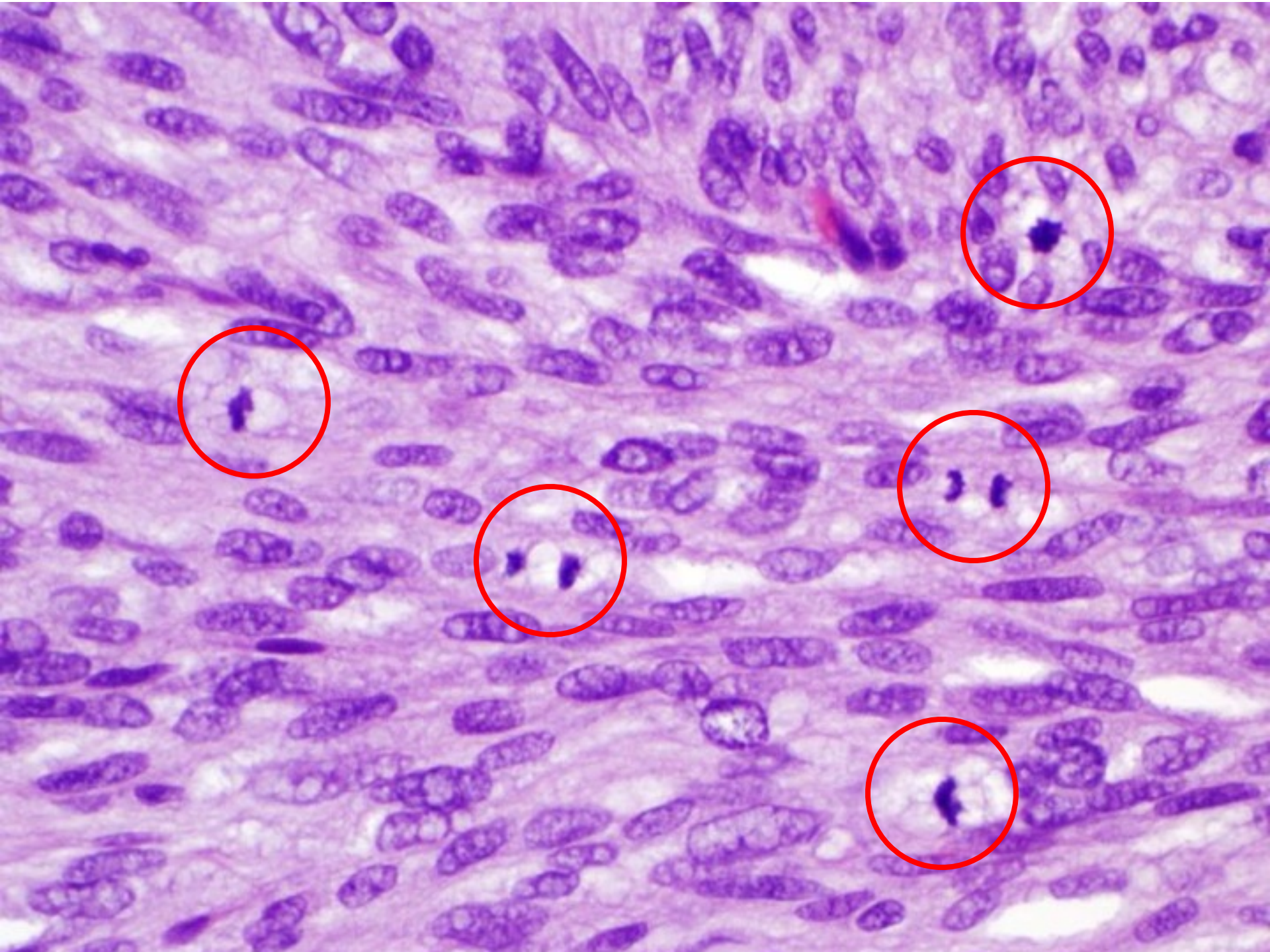


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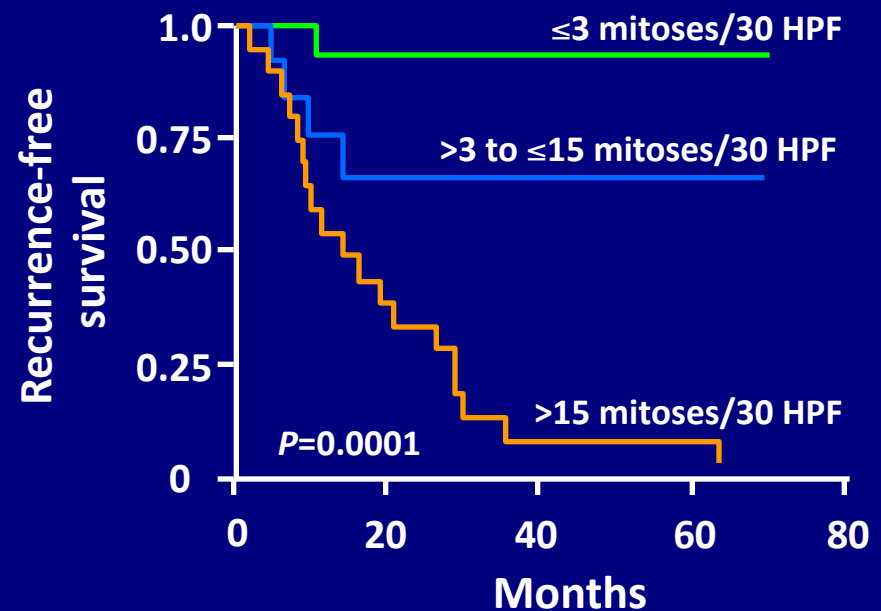
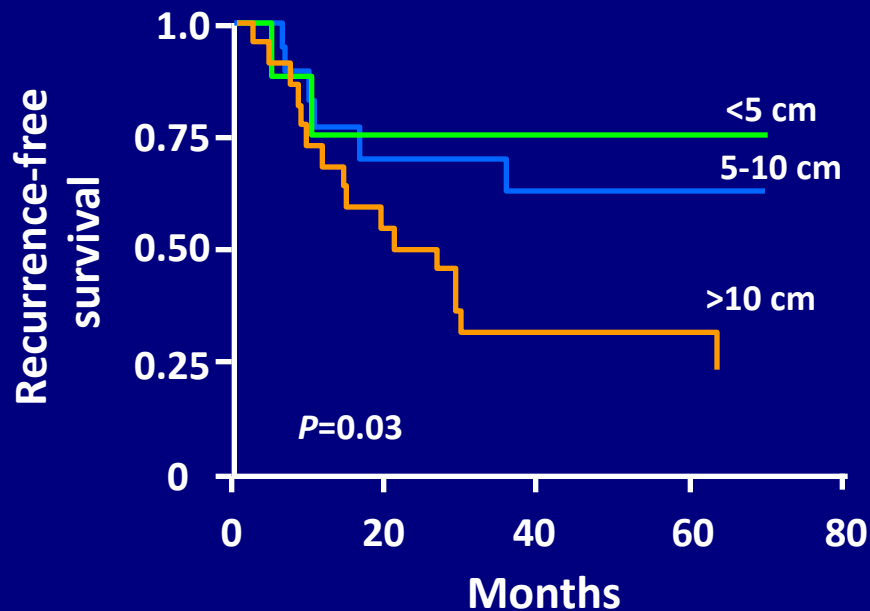
\*\*\*Modified from Miettinen & Lasota, *Semin Diagn Pathol*, 2006 by Dr. Chris Corless, OHSU  
 Data based on long-term follow-up of 1055 gastric, 629 small intestinal, 144 duodenal and 111 rectal GIST





# GIST - Recurrence-Free Survival Following Surgical Treatment of Primary GIST

- Recurrence-free survival is predicted by tumor size and mitotic index



# FNCLCC Grading

- All three numbers are summated to determine degree of differentiation

Grade 1 : 2-3

Grade 2 : 4-5

Grade 3 : 6-8

- Proven to correlated well with survival

- **Mitotic Count.** In the most mitotically active area, ten successive high-power fields (at 400x magnification=0.1734 mm<sup>2</sup>) using a 40x objective.

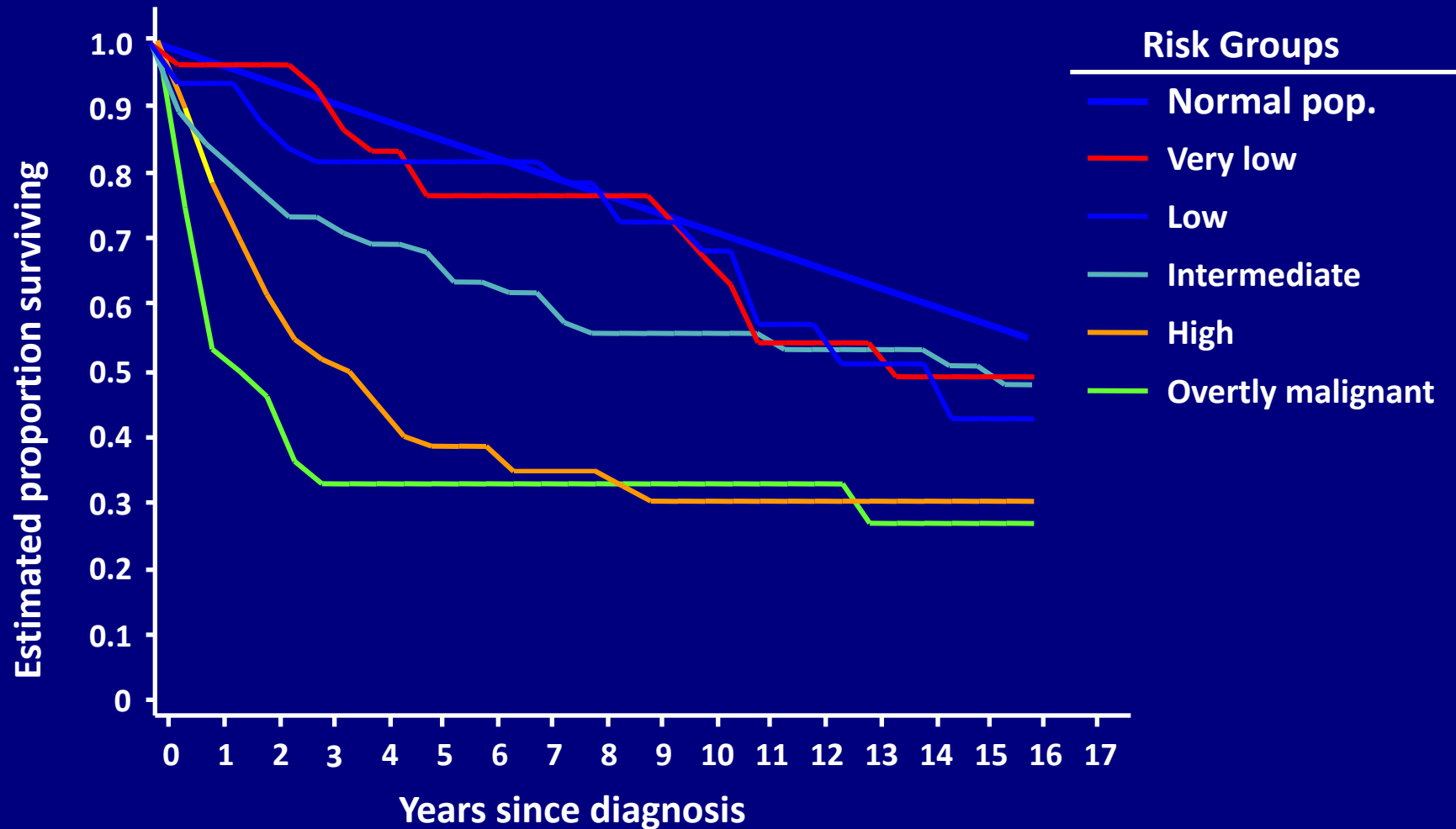
1. 0-9 mitoses per 10 HPFs
2. 10-19 mitoses per 10 HPFs
3. >20 mitoses per 10 HPFs

- **Tumor necrosis.** Evaluated on gross examination and validated with histological sections

- 0 No tumor necrosis
1. <50% tumor necrosis
2. >50% tumor necrosis

- **Degree of Differentiation.** 1-3

# GIST - Overall Survival by Risk Group



# *Clinical Characteristics of GIST*

**Wide age range – peak in 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> decade**

**M = F**

**Small lesions = “incidentalomas”**

**Presenting symptoms include:**

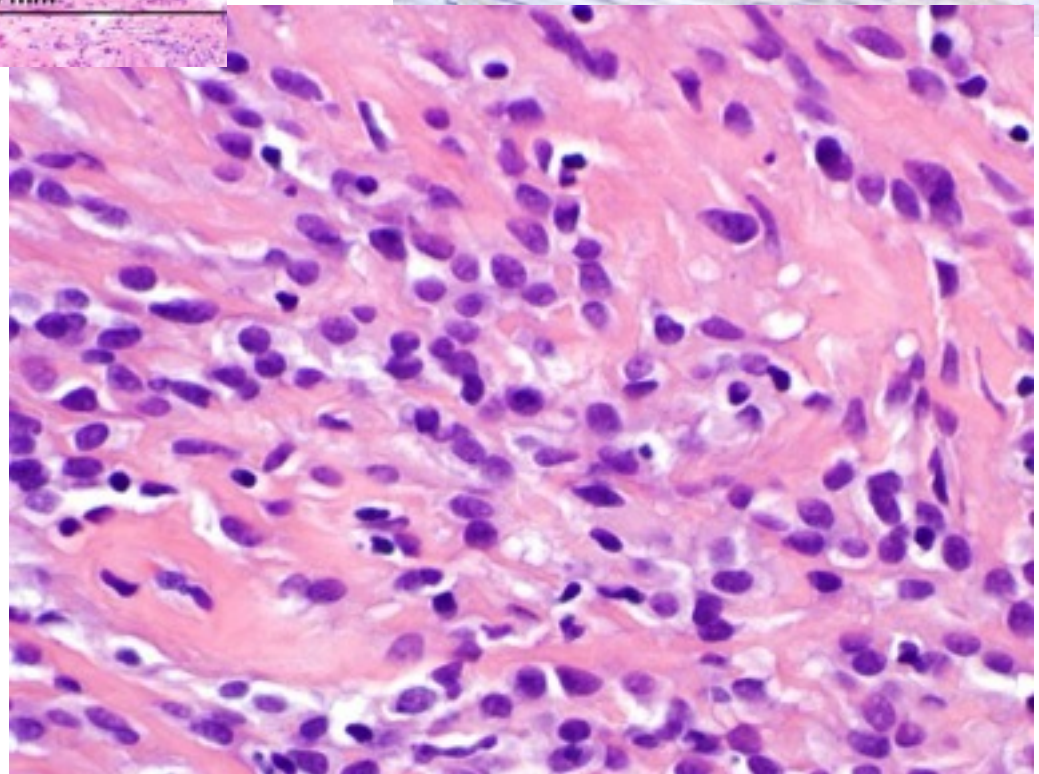
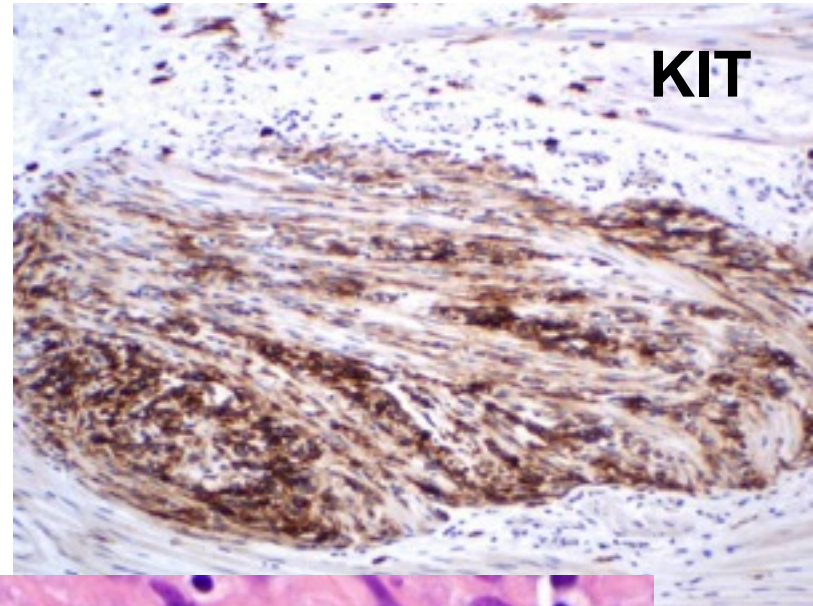
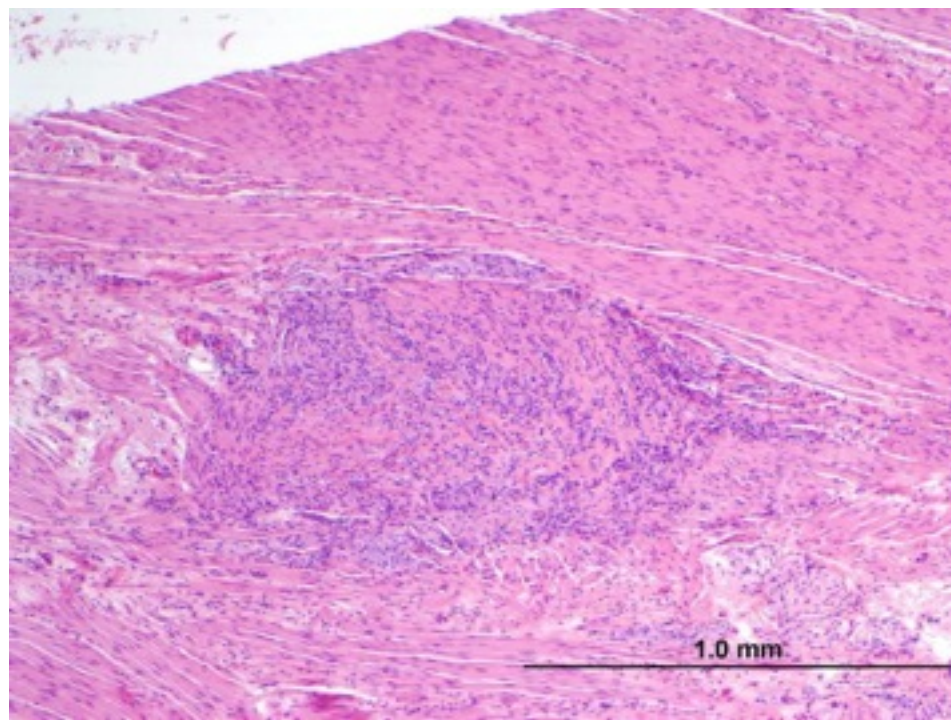
**abdominal pain,**

**gastrointestinal bleeding,**

**early satiety,**

**symptoms referable to a mass**

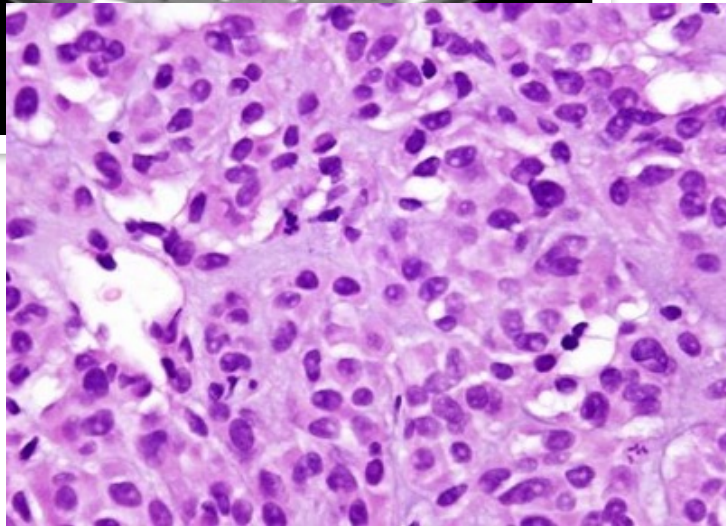
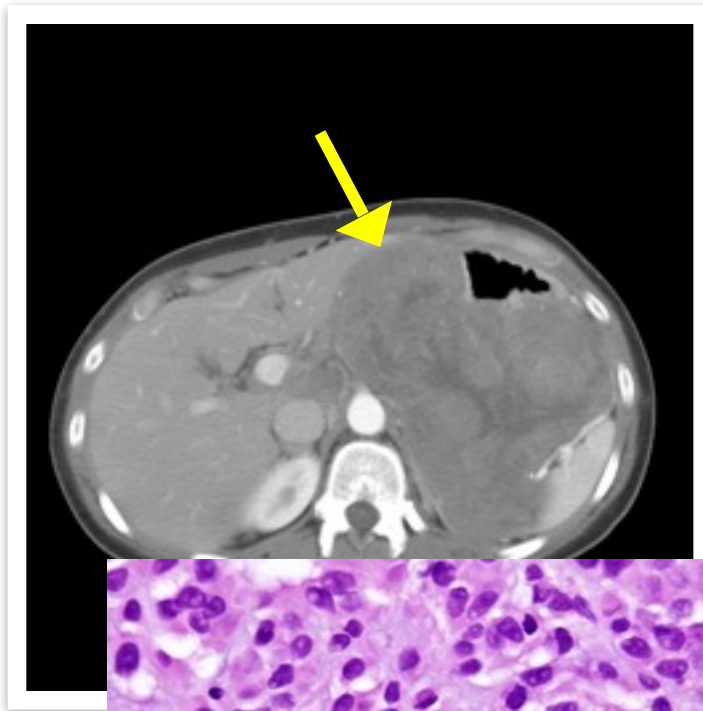




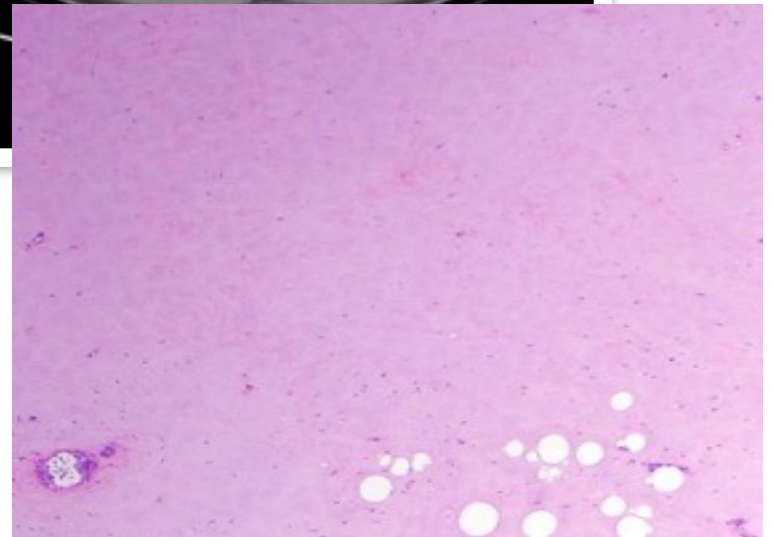
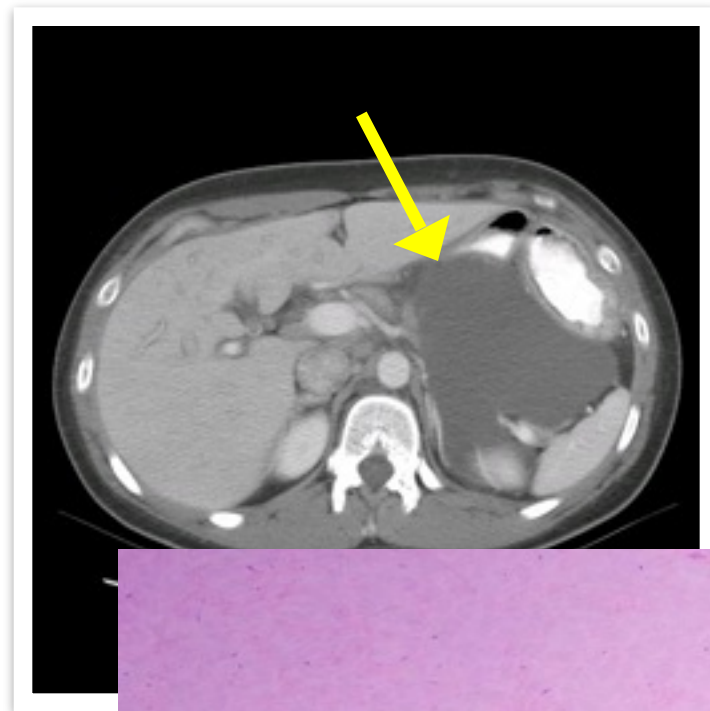
courtesy of Susan Abraham,  
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***Treatment can cause big changes.***

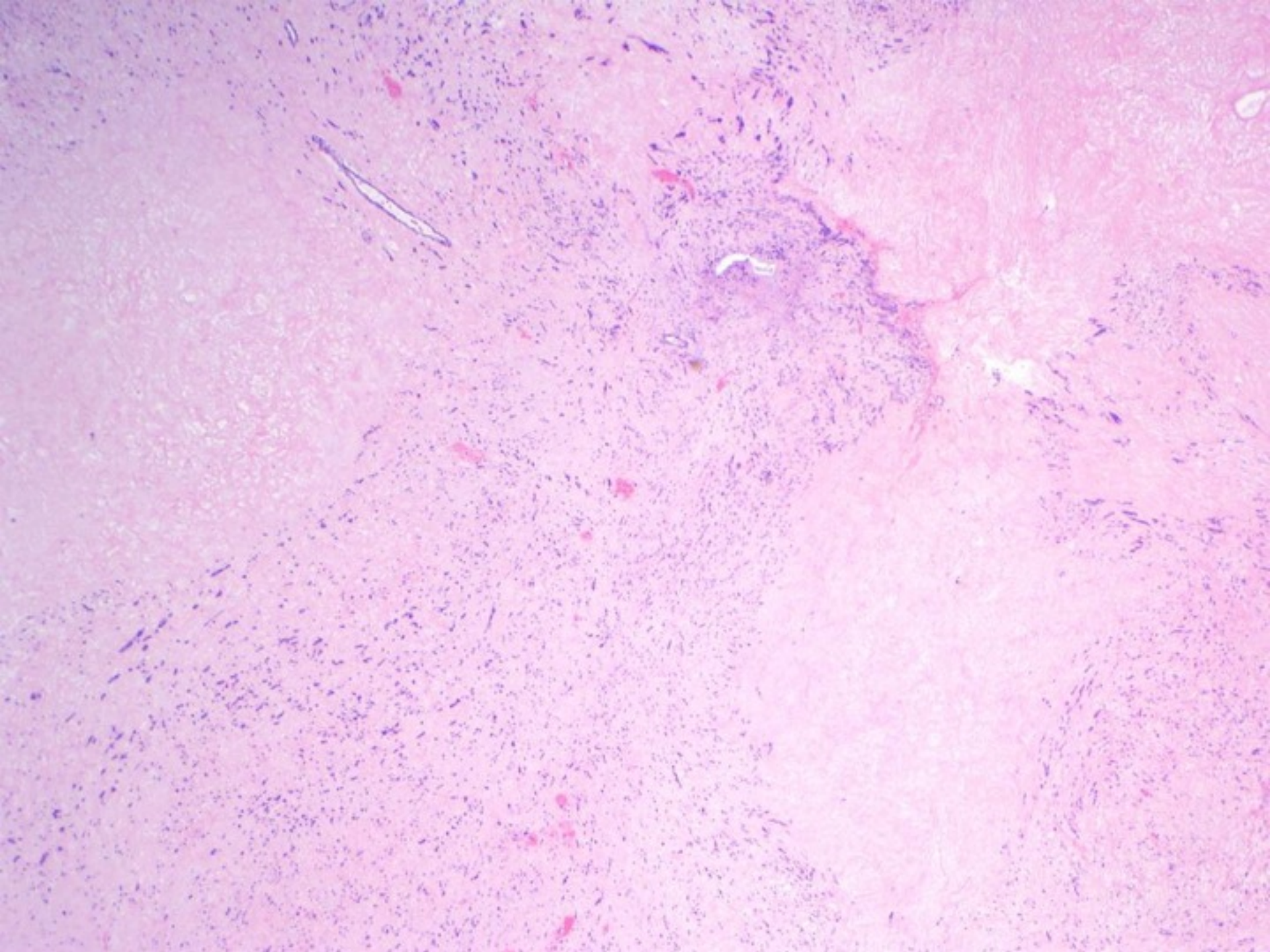
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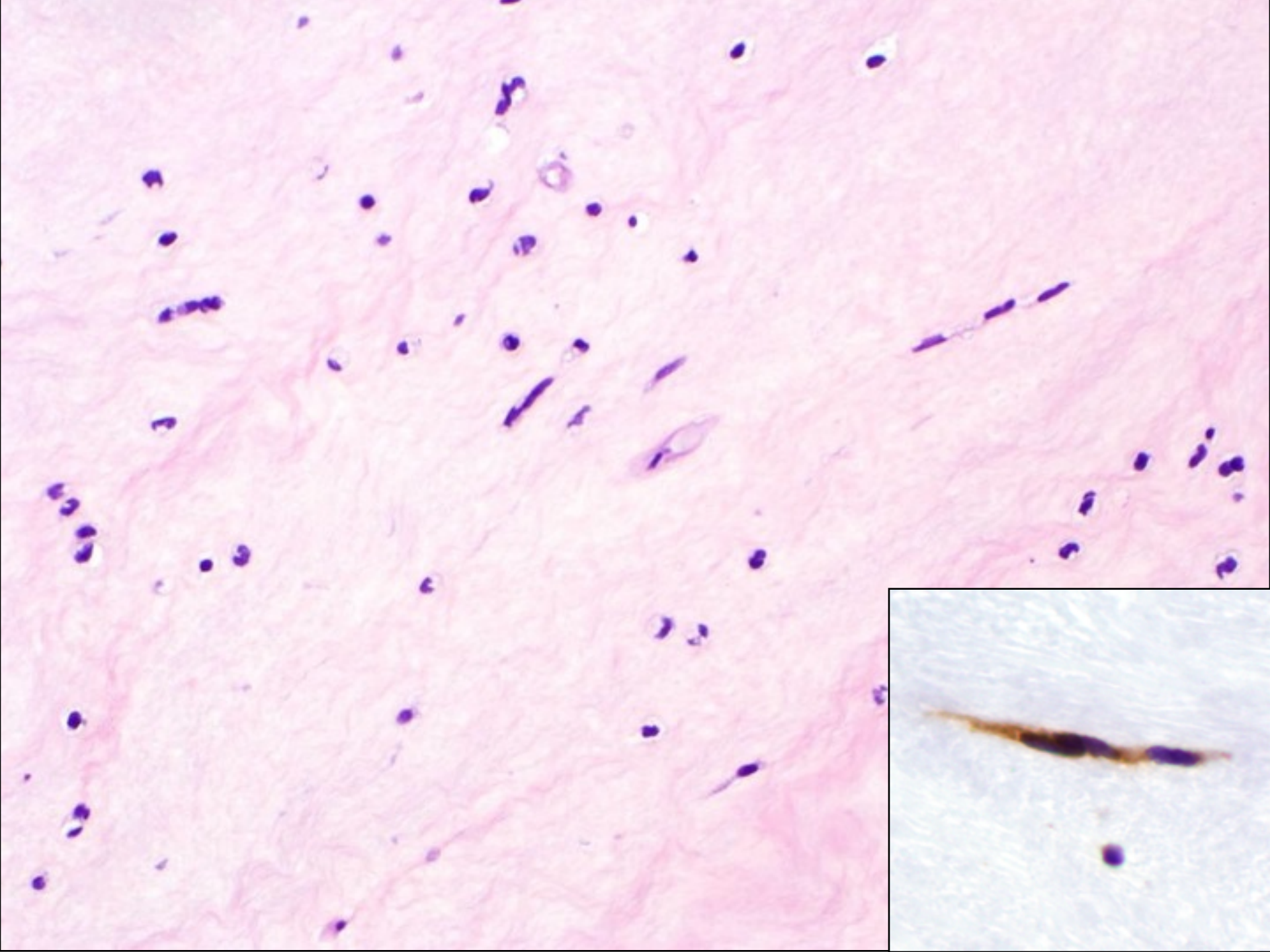


**Pre-Imatinib**

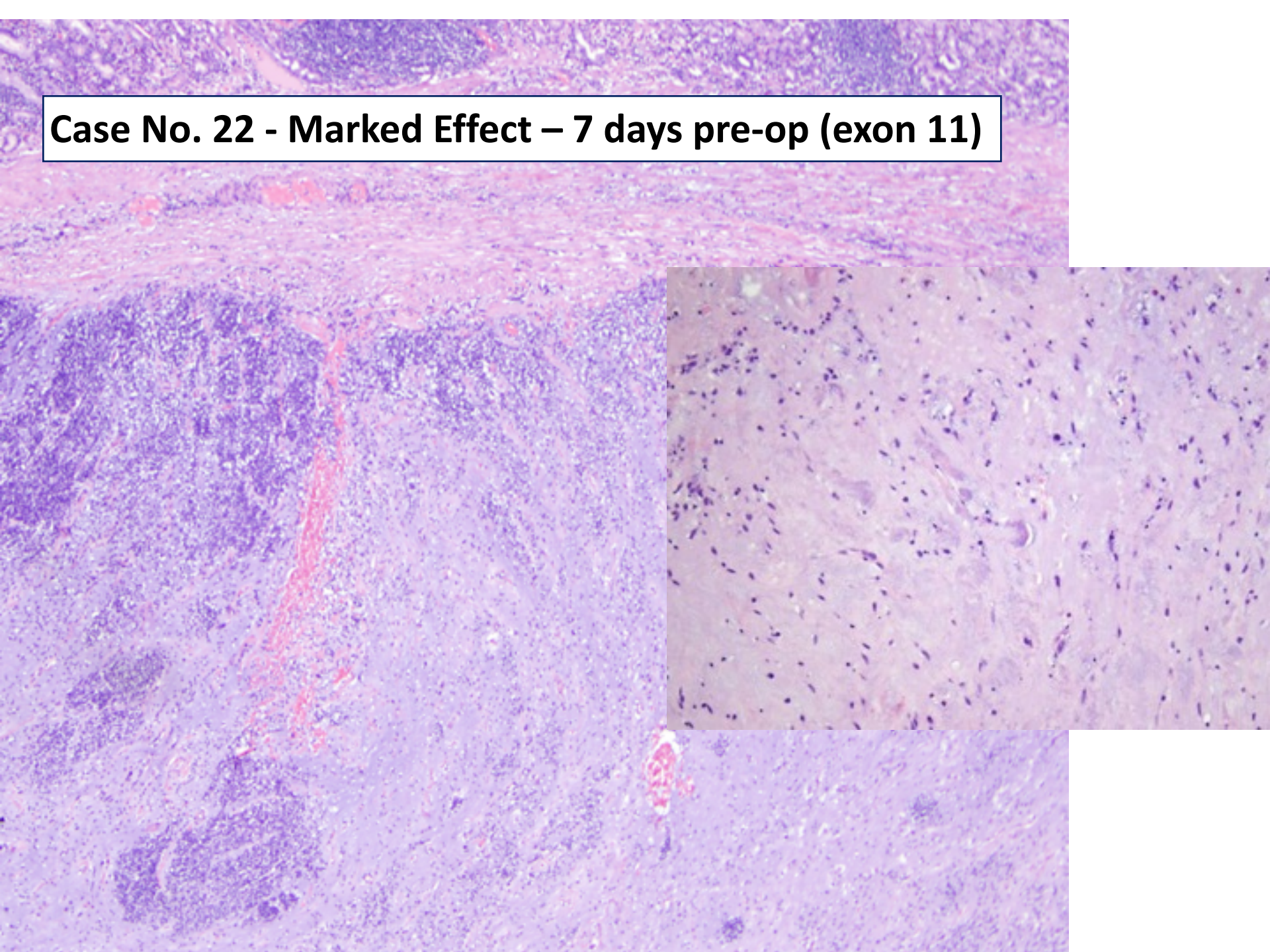


**Post-Imatinib (8 weeks therapy)**

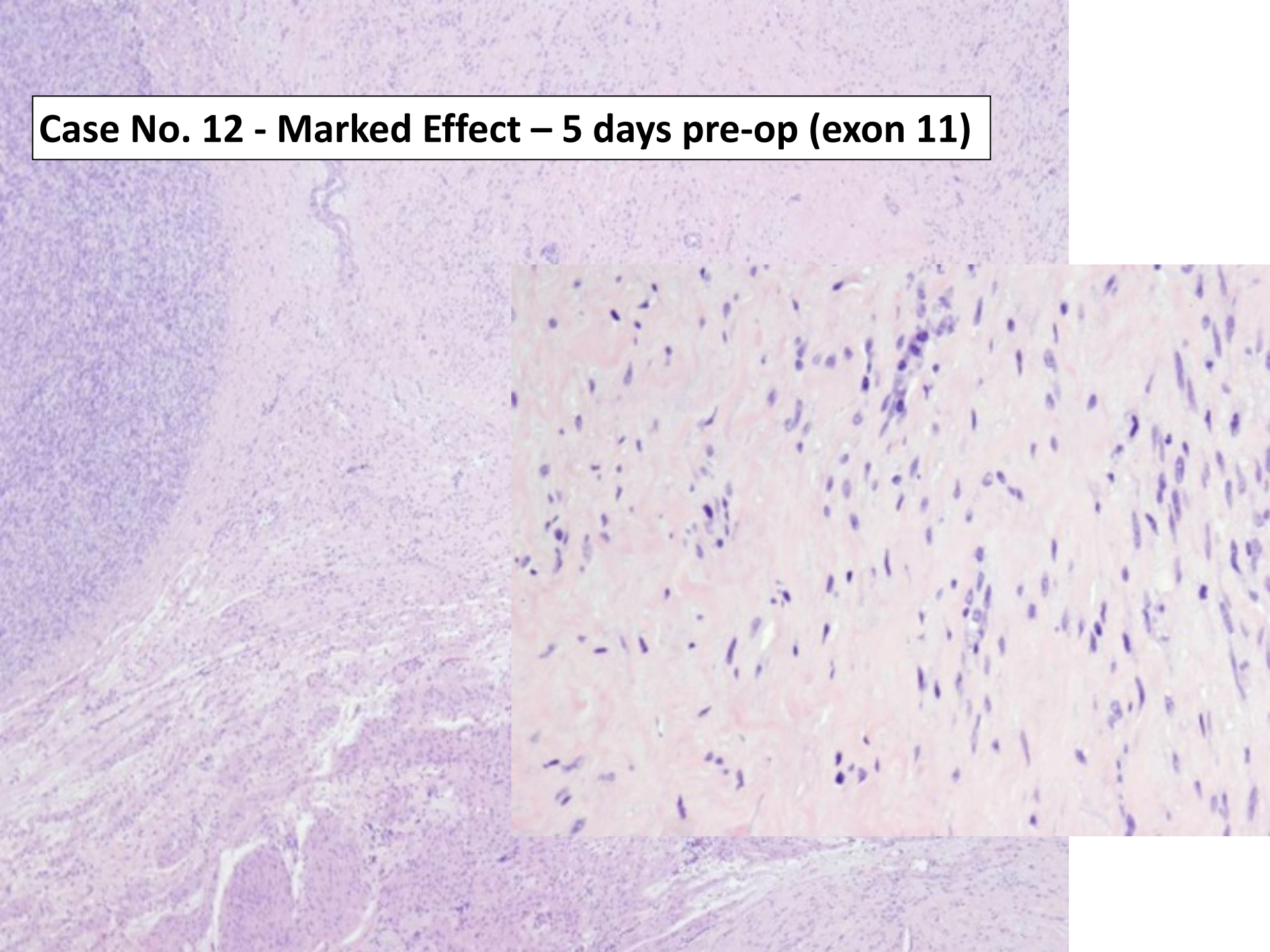




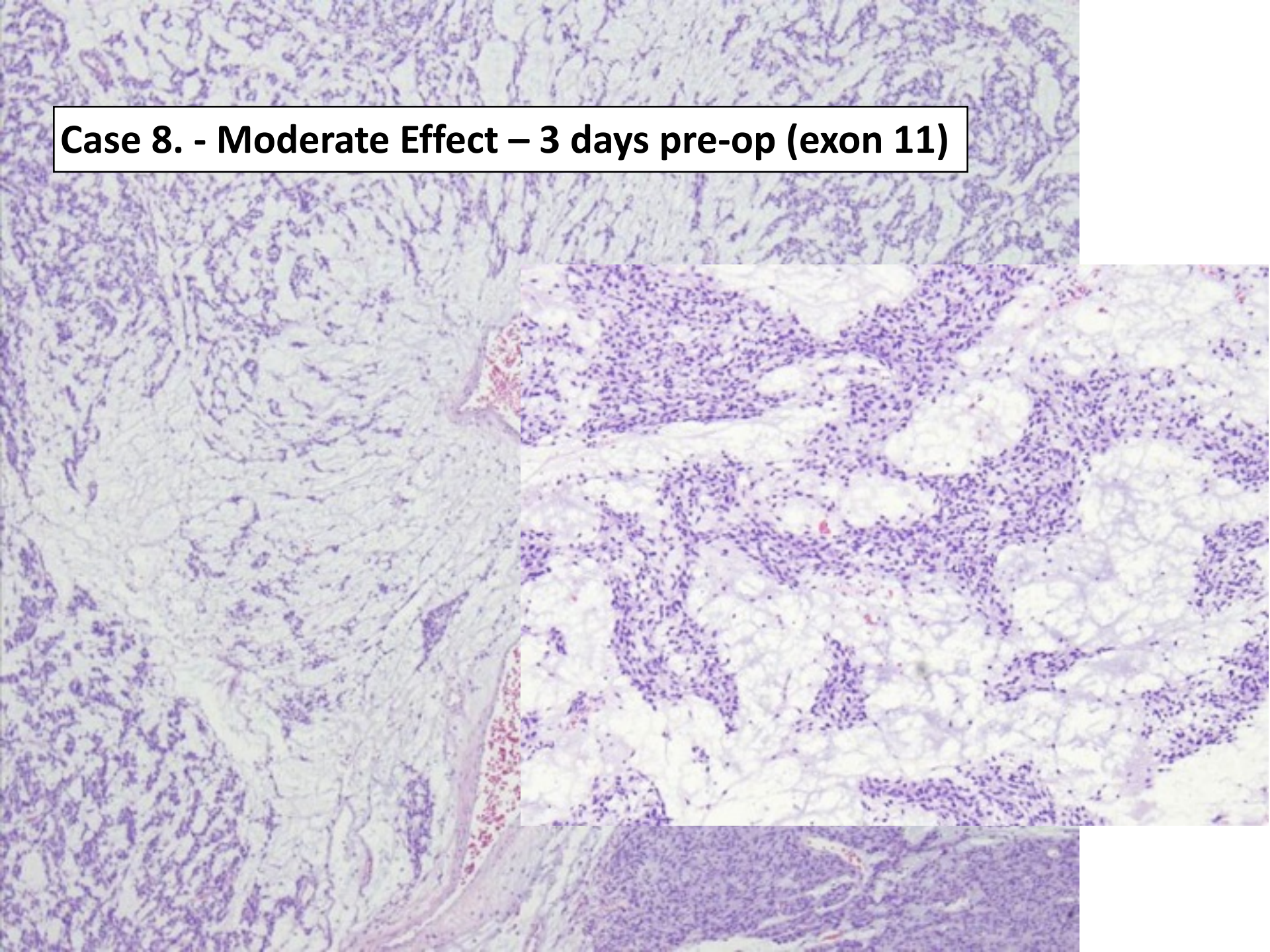
**Case No. 22 - Marked Effect – 7 days pre-op (exon 11)**



**Case No. 12 - Marked Effect – 5 days pre-op (exon 11)**

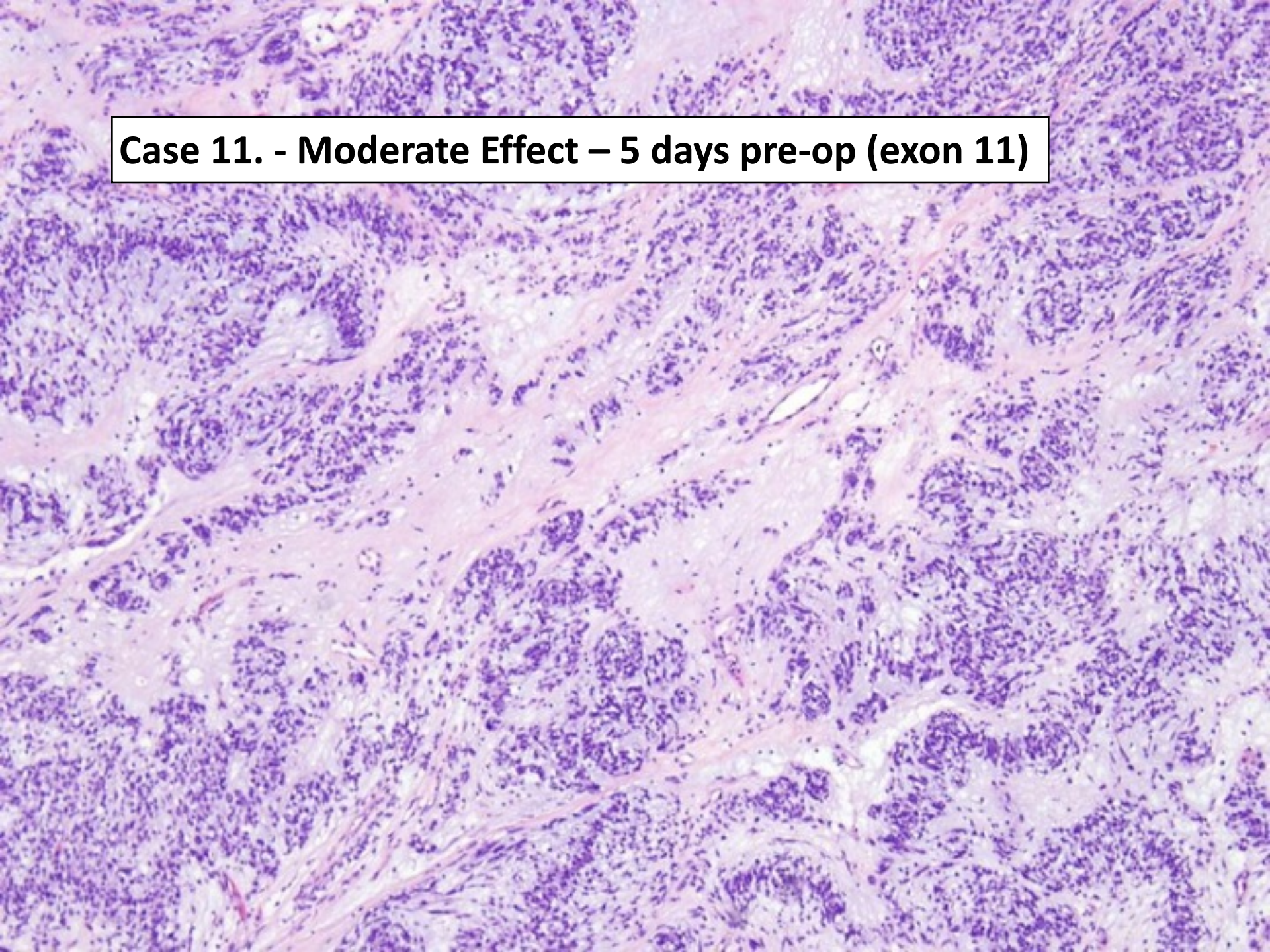


**Case 8. - Moderate Effect – 3 days pre-op (exon 11)**

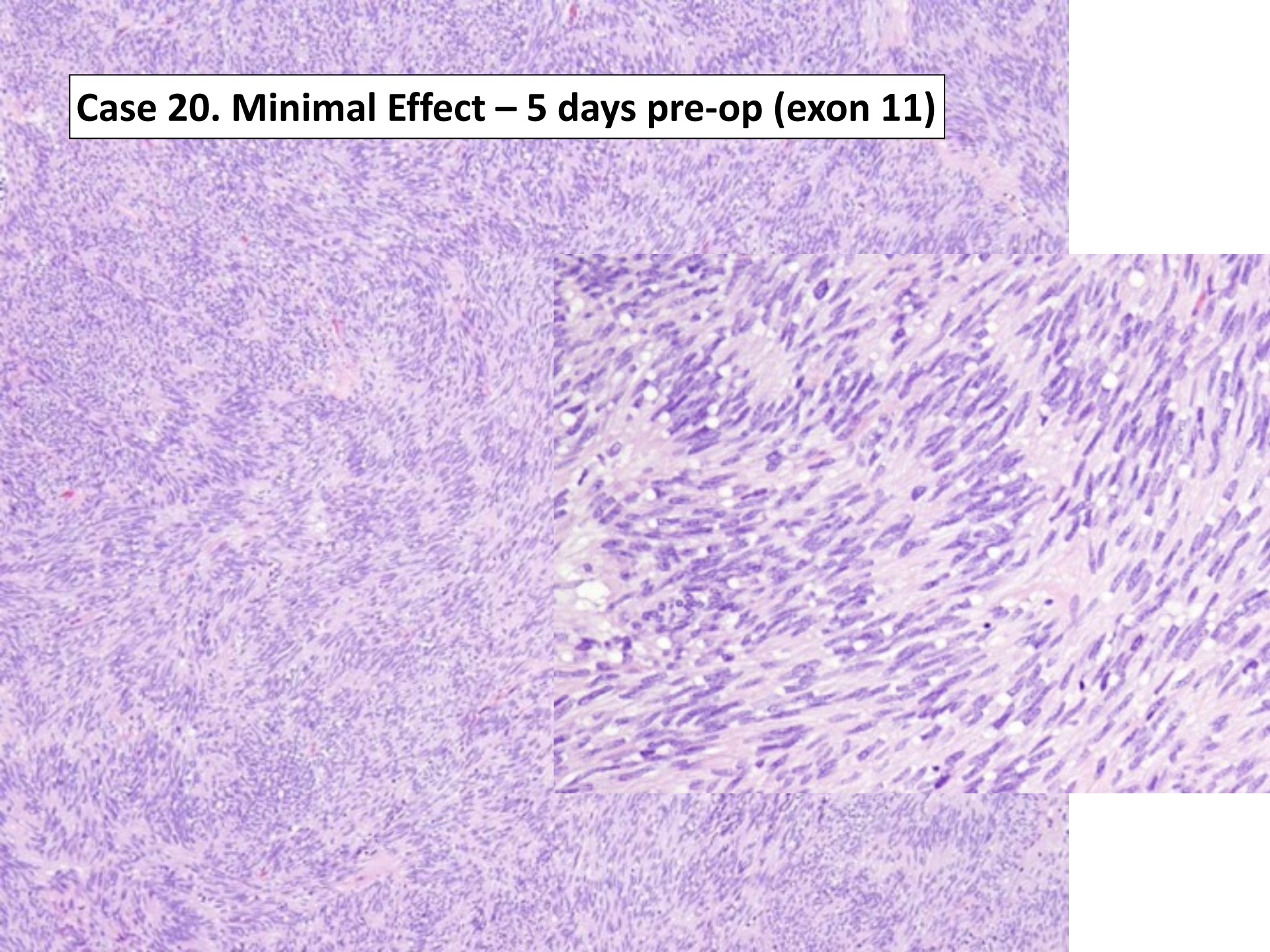




**Case 11. - Moderate Effect – 5 days pre-op (exon 11)**

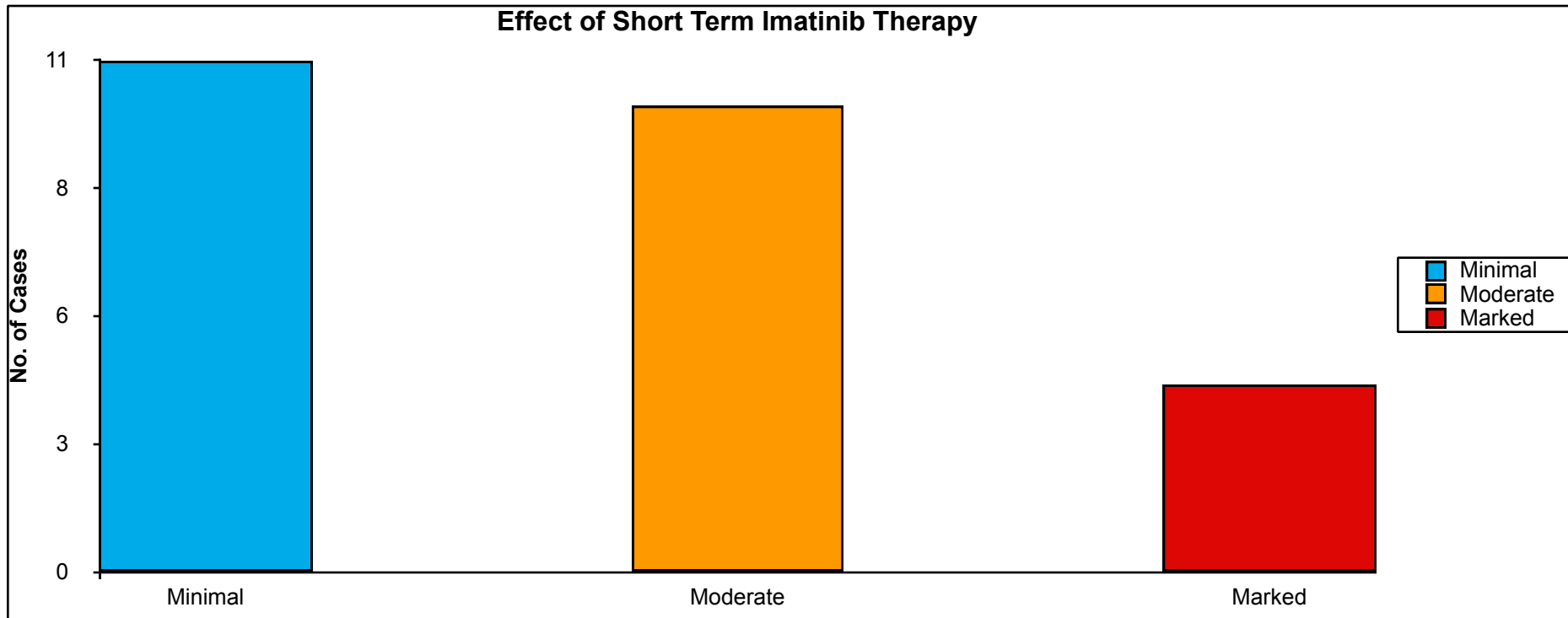


**Case 20. Minimal Effect – 5 days pre-op (exon 11)**



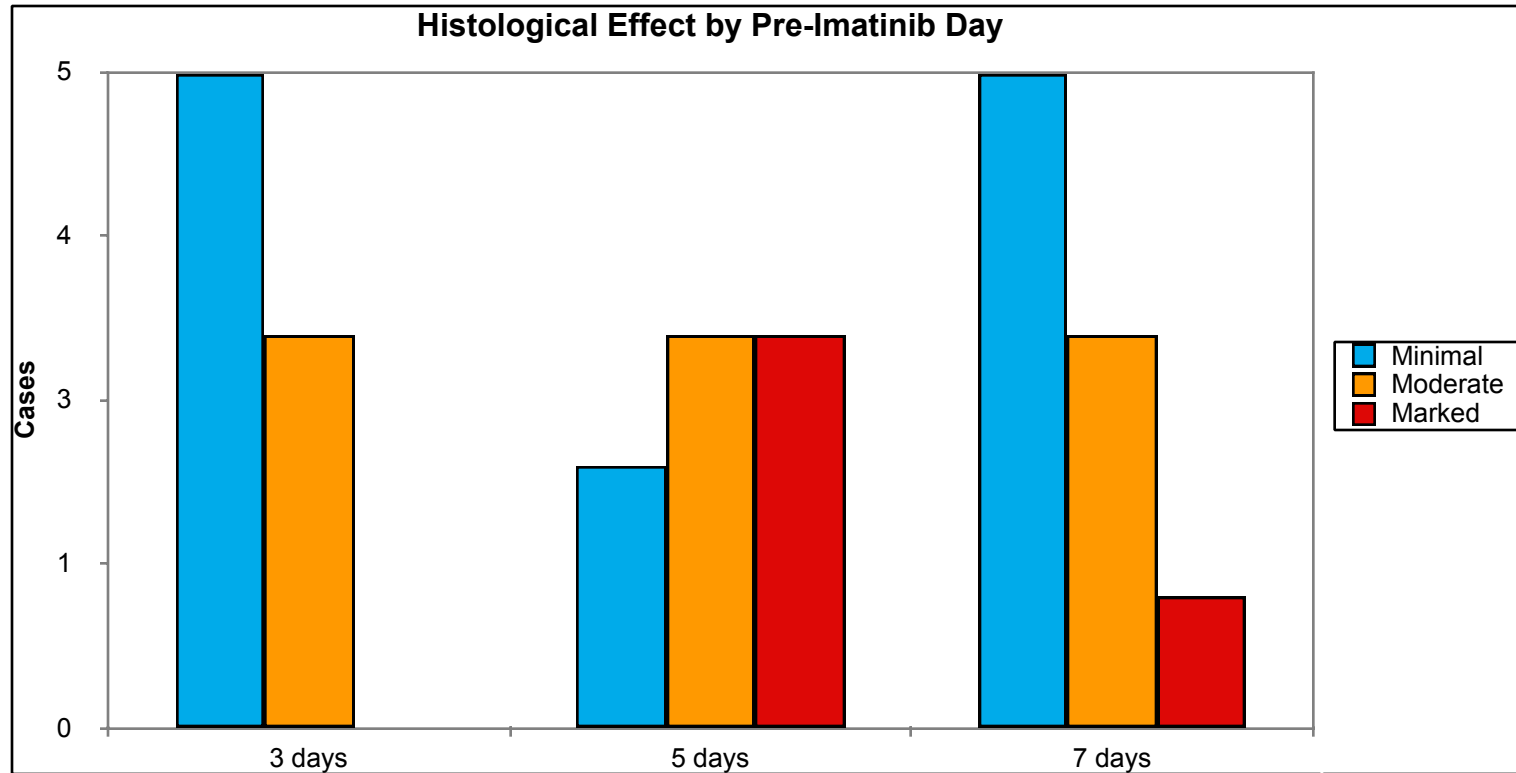
# Results

- Minimal effect: 11/25 (44%)
- Moderate effect: 10/25 (40%)
- Marked effect: 4/25 (16%)



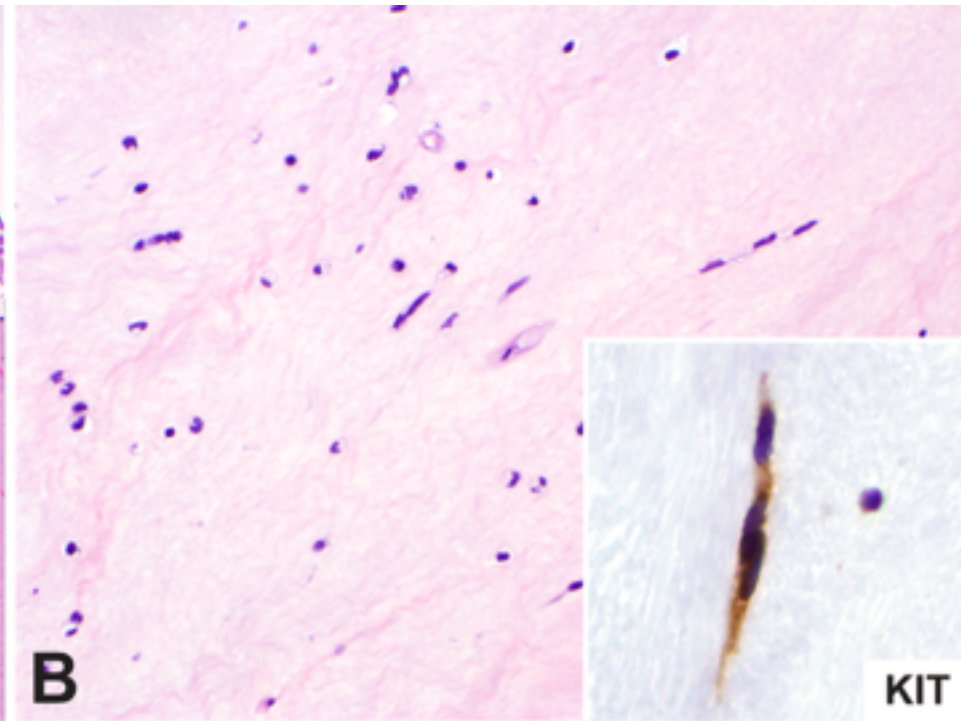
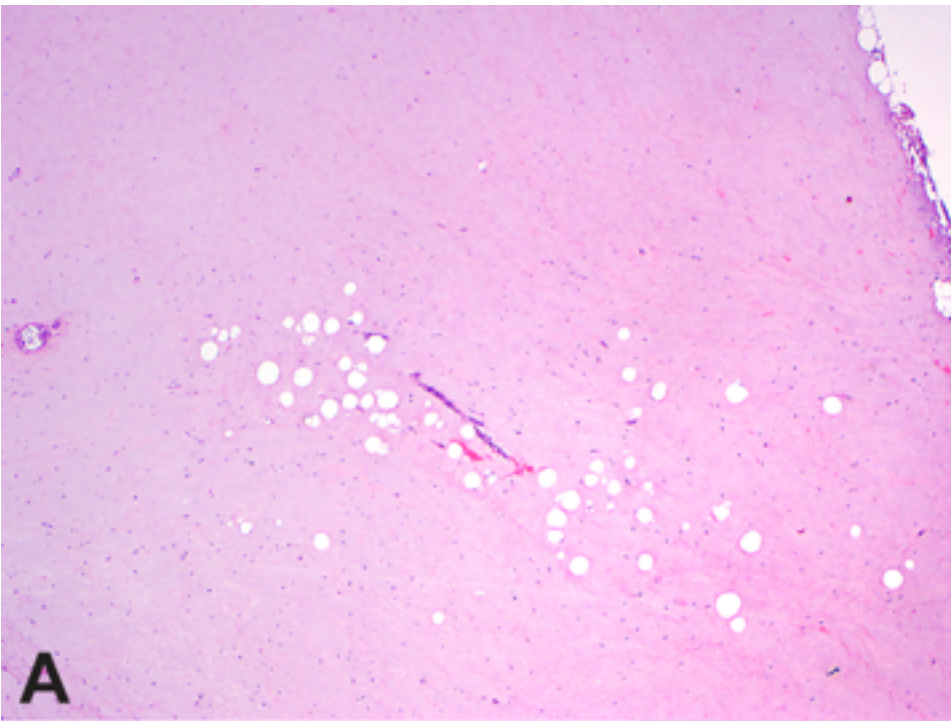
# *Early Histologic Effects of Imatinib*

## *Duration of Therapy*

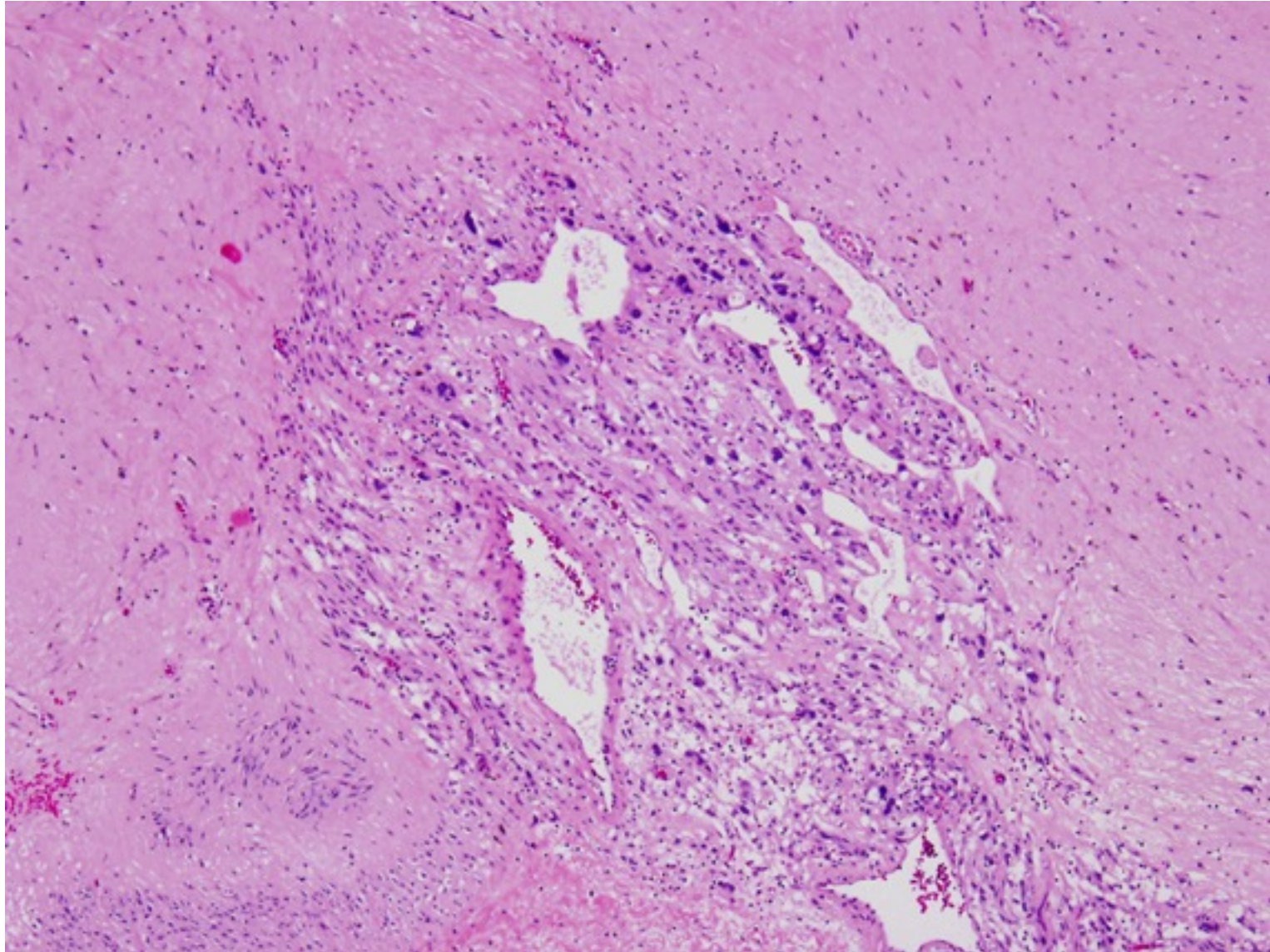


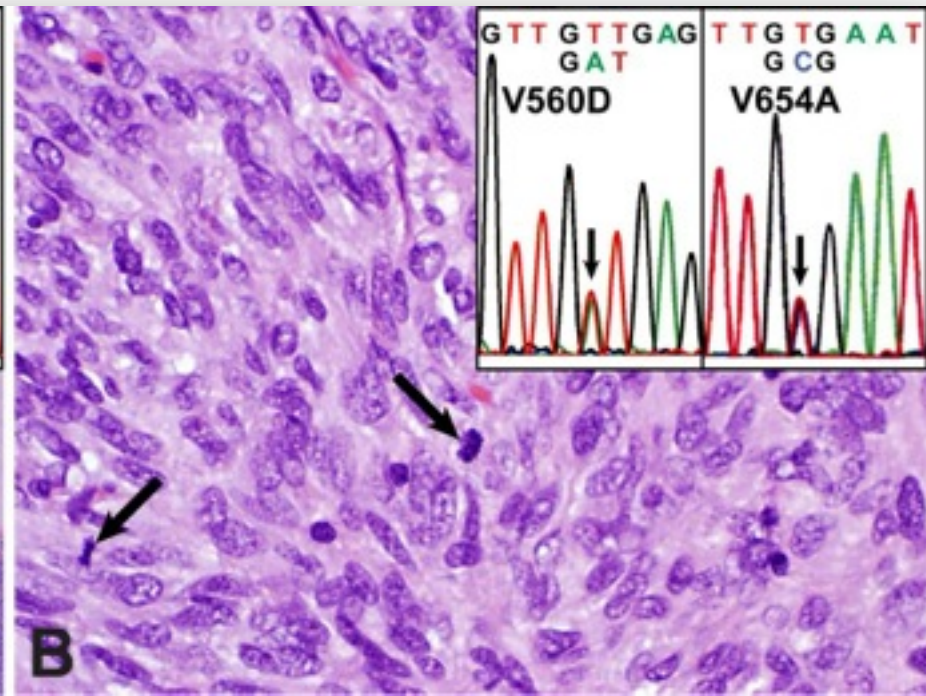
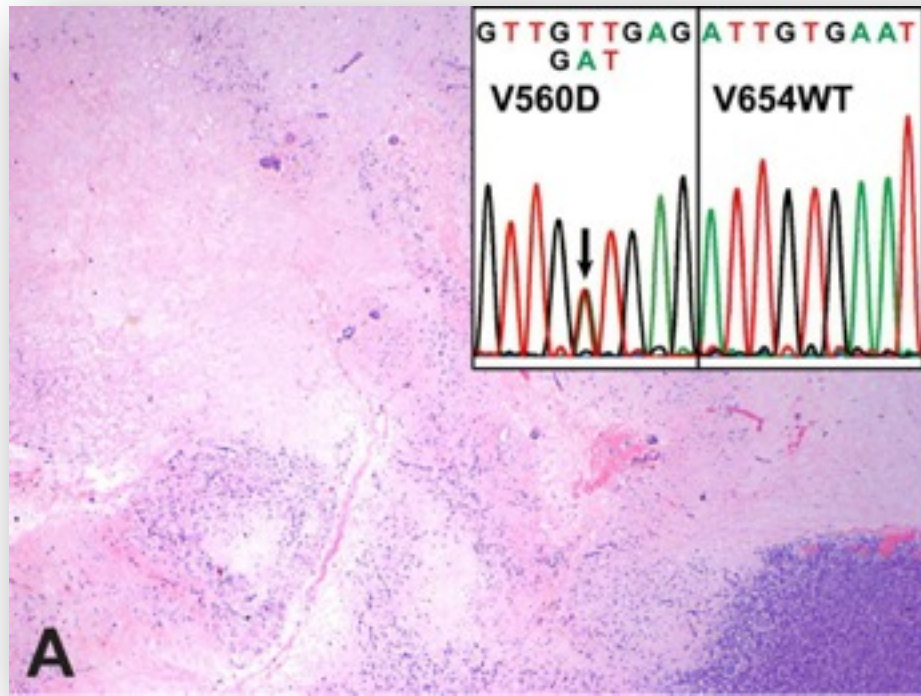
- Minimal and Moderate effects were seen across all durations of therapy
- Marked effect appeared to be a late finding peaking at 5 days

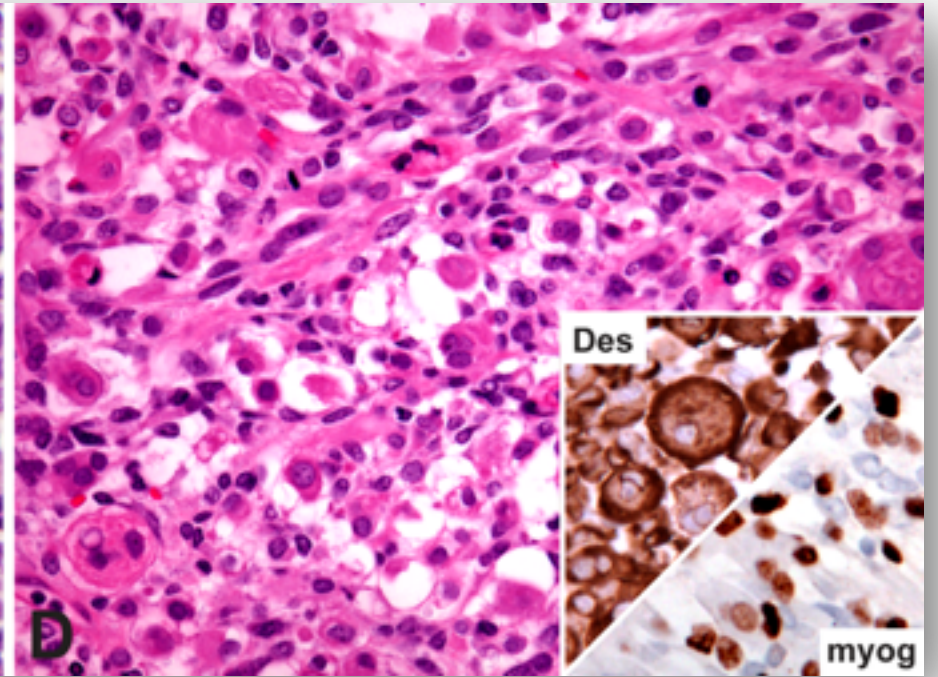
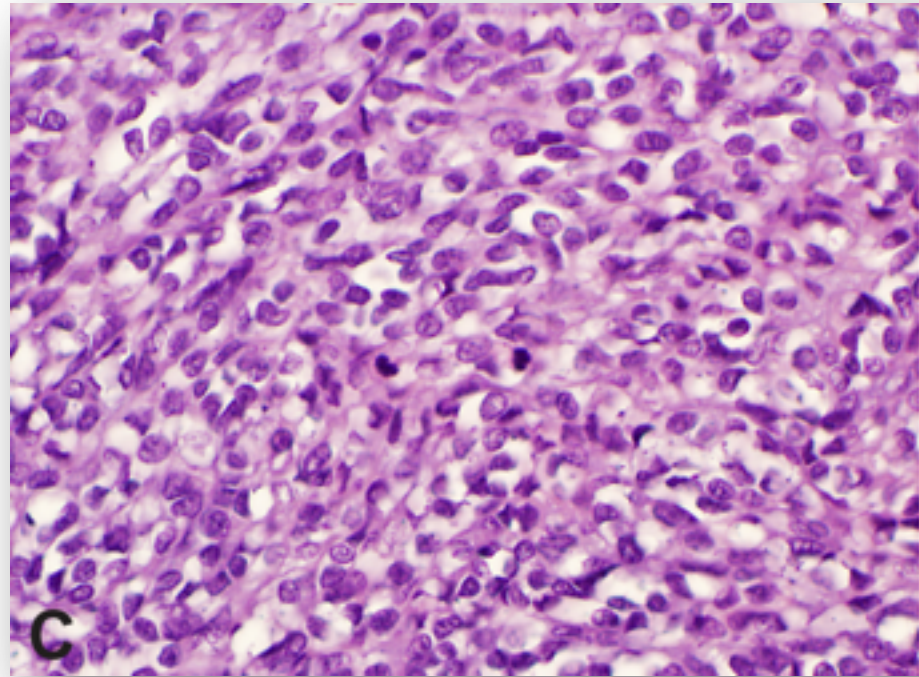
# *Long term Imatinib Tx*



# ***Long term Imatinib Tx***





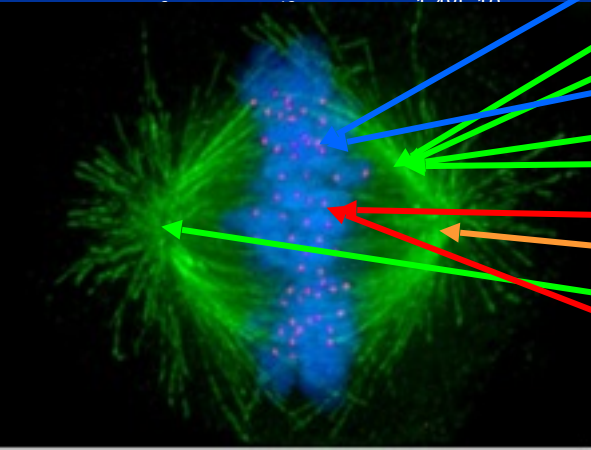




***What is new and exciting in GIST  
pathology?***

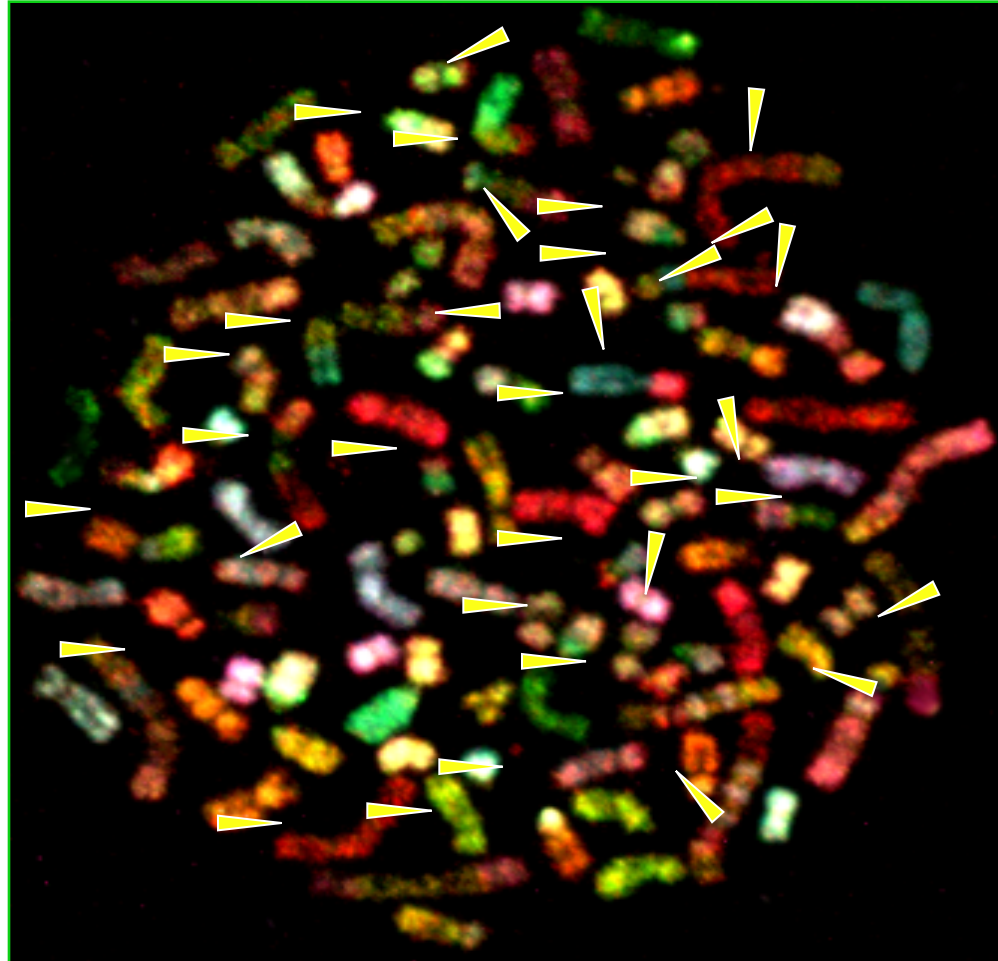
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**CINSARC is a signature related to chromosome management and mitosis control associated with genome complexity**

# Chromosomal complexity and prognosis



97 chromosomes and more than 50 translocations

# Chromosomal complexity in sarcomas

- **Alain Aurias and Frédéric Chibon**
- **Sarcomas with a complex genetic profile**
- **Array-CGH and expression profile analyses**
- **Which genes / pathways are related to the chromosomal complexity ?**
- **Is there a link between chromosomal complexity and prognosis ?**

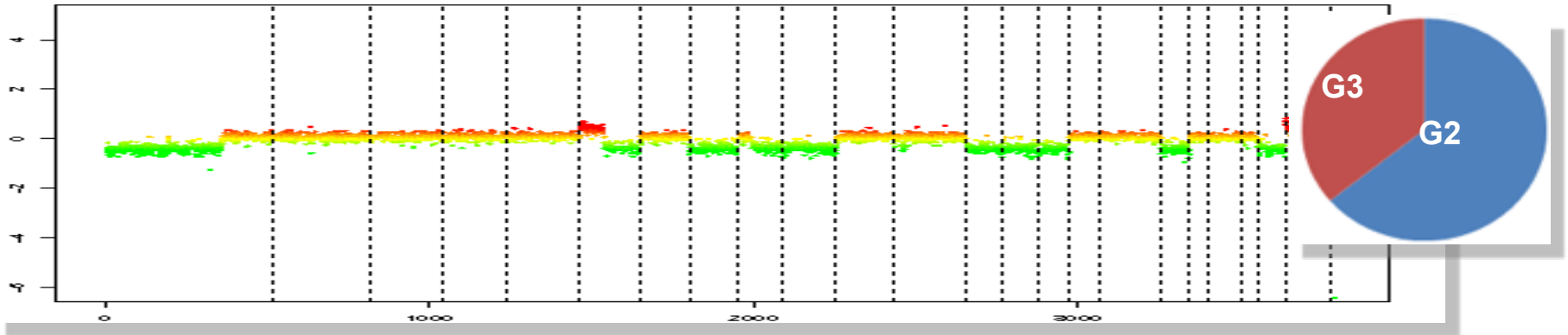
# ***Chromosomal instability signature***

Carter et al Nat Genet 2002

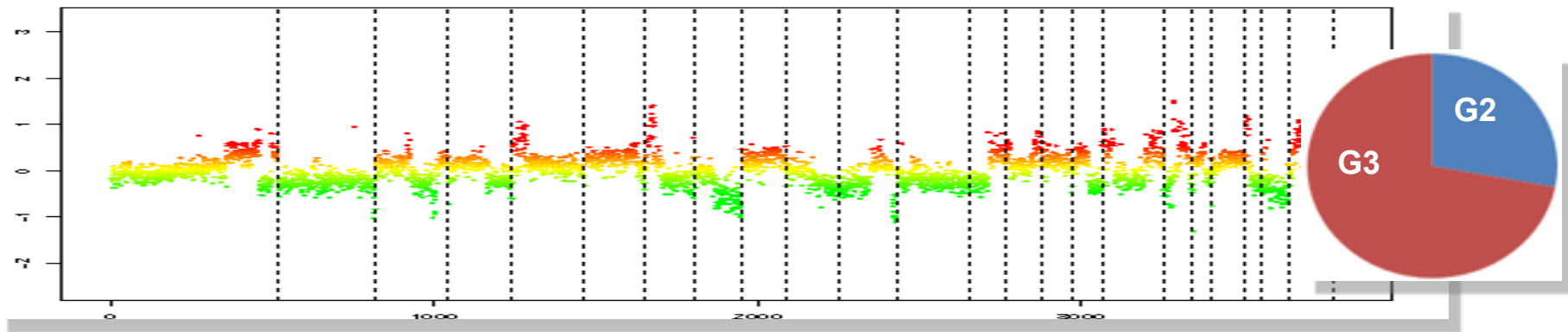
- **Computational method for evaluating aneuploidy**
- **Analysis of genes differentially expressed according to the level of aneuploidy**
- **Aneuploidy is a consequence of chromosomal instability (CIN)**
- **CIN70 signature predicts survival in several types of cancers**
- **No prediction in our series of sarcomas**

Courtesy of J-M Coindre & F Chibon,  
Bordeaux, France (Fresch Sarcoma Group)

## « Arm » Profile



## « Rearranged » Profile



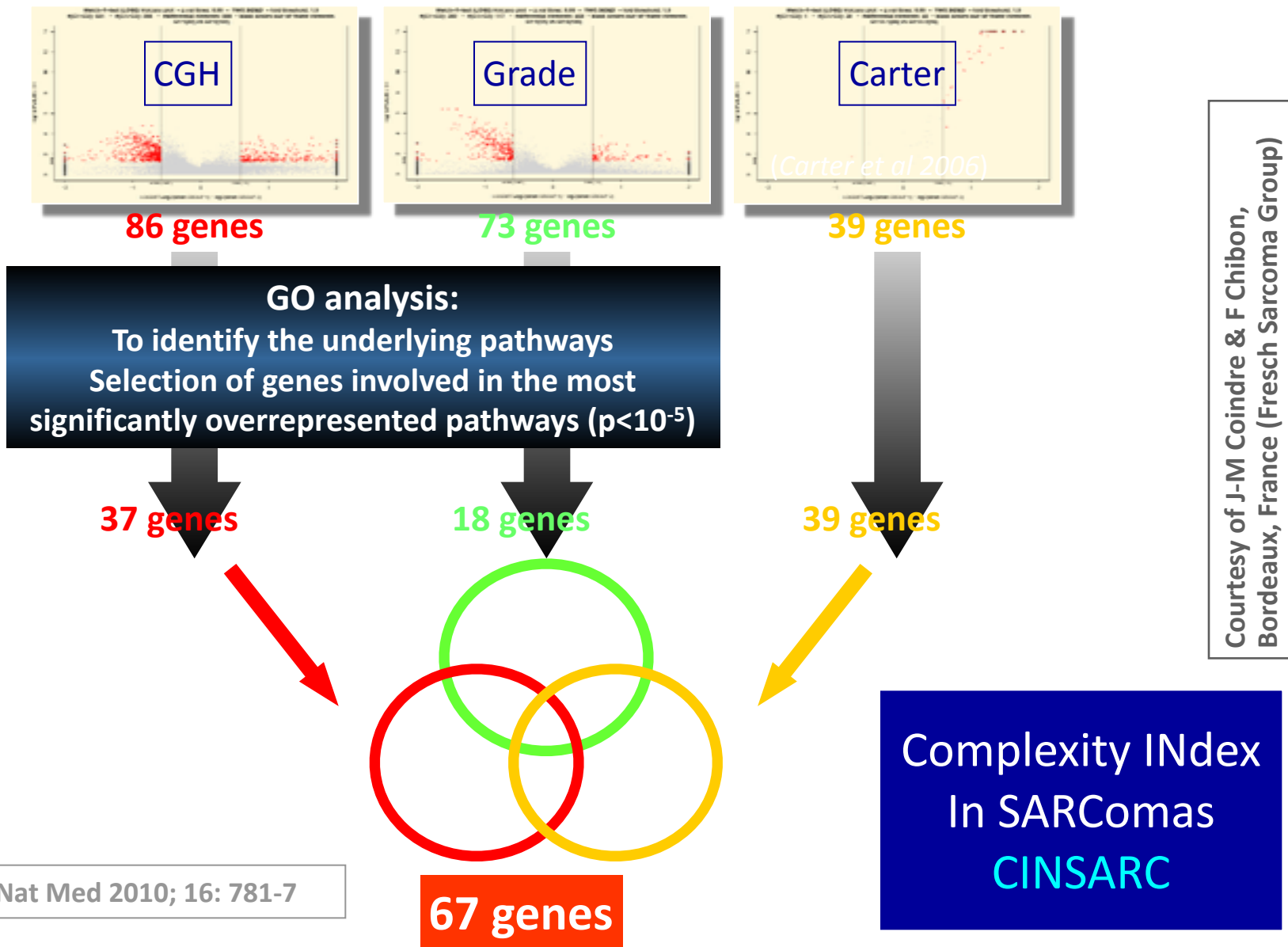
# ***Genomic complexity and prognosis***

## ***Possible approaches***

- **(Histological grading)**
- **Array-CGH**
- **Carter signature**

# Molecular grading in sarcomas

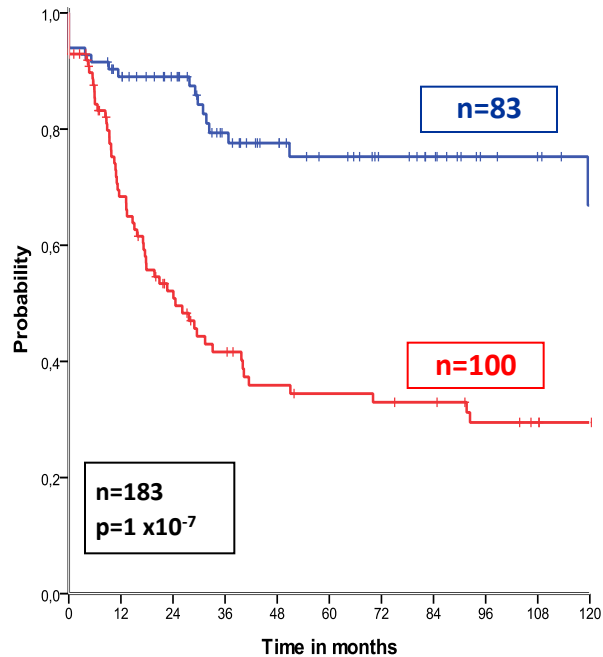
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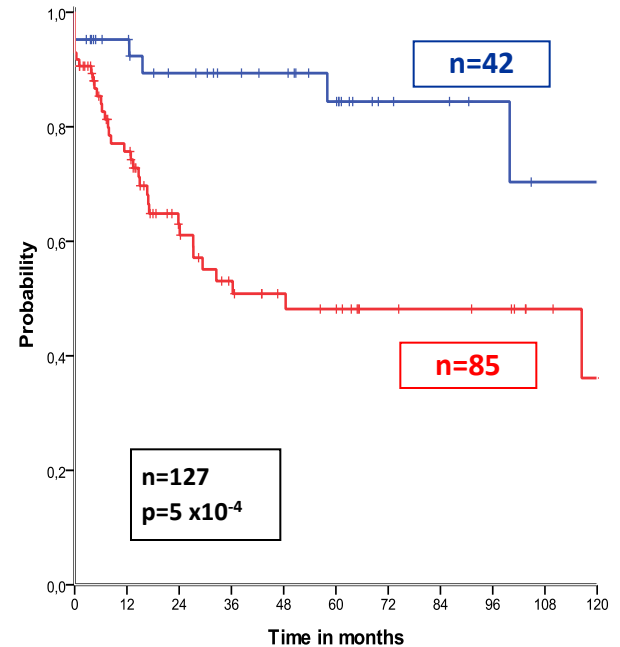


## Prognostic value of CINSARC: Metastasis free survival

### Cohort 1



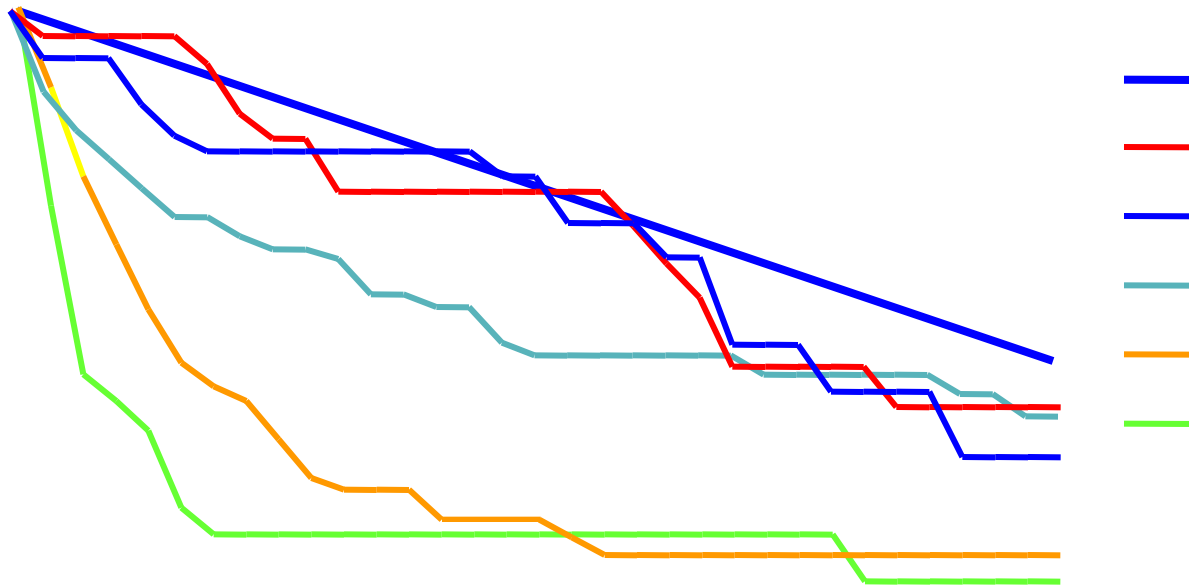
### Cohort 2



## Multivariate analysis

CINSARC is an independent prognostic factor

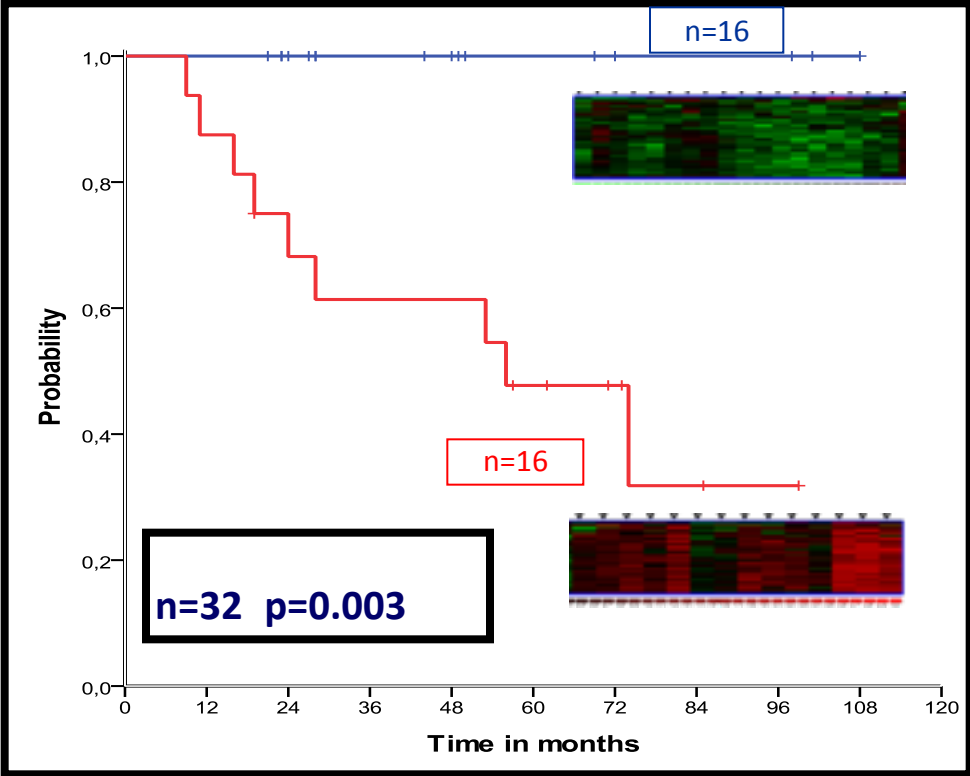
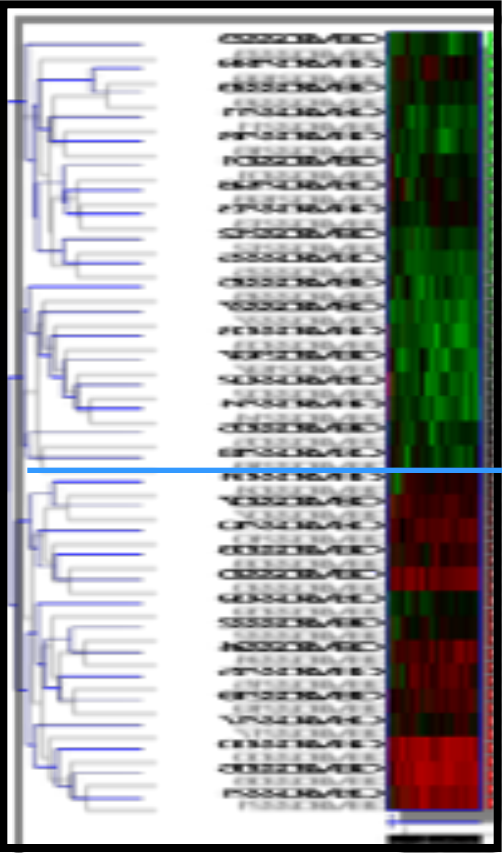
# *GIST - Overall Survival by Risk Group*



# CINSARC and GIST

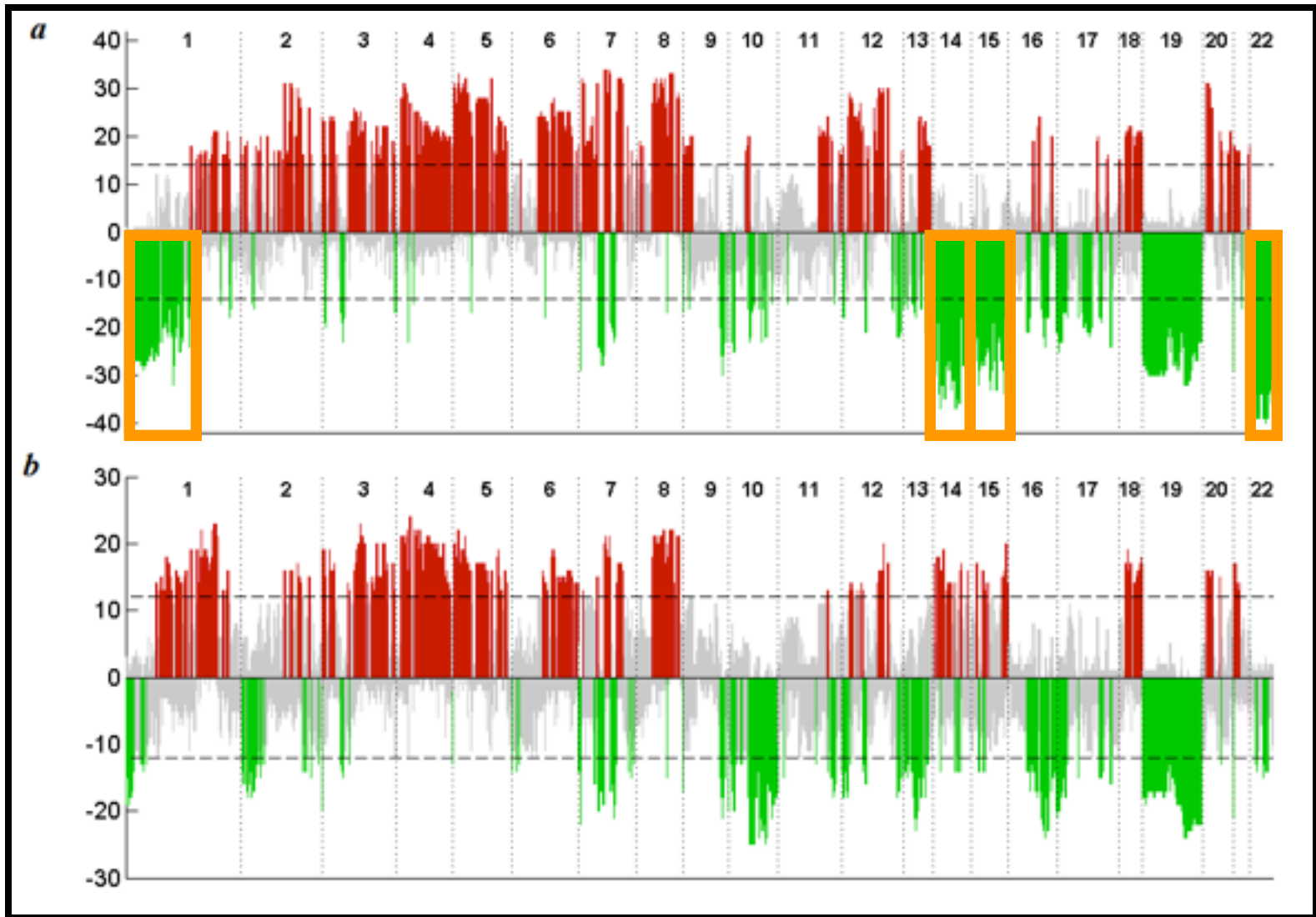
## In-silico study of 32 GISTs

(Yamaguchi *et al* 2008)

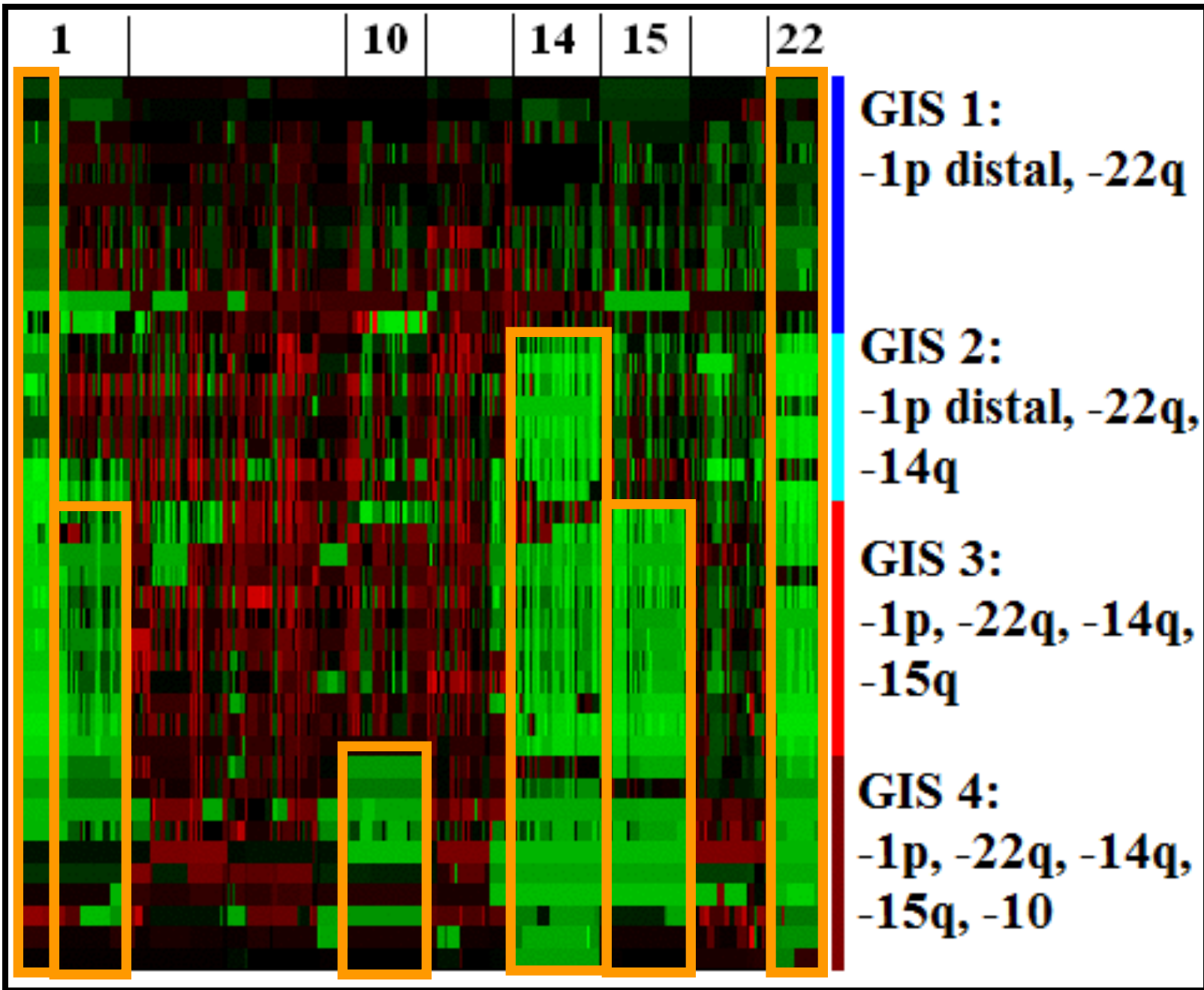


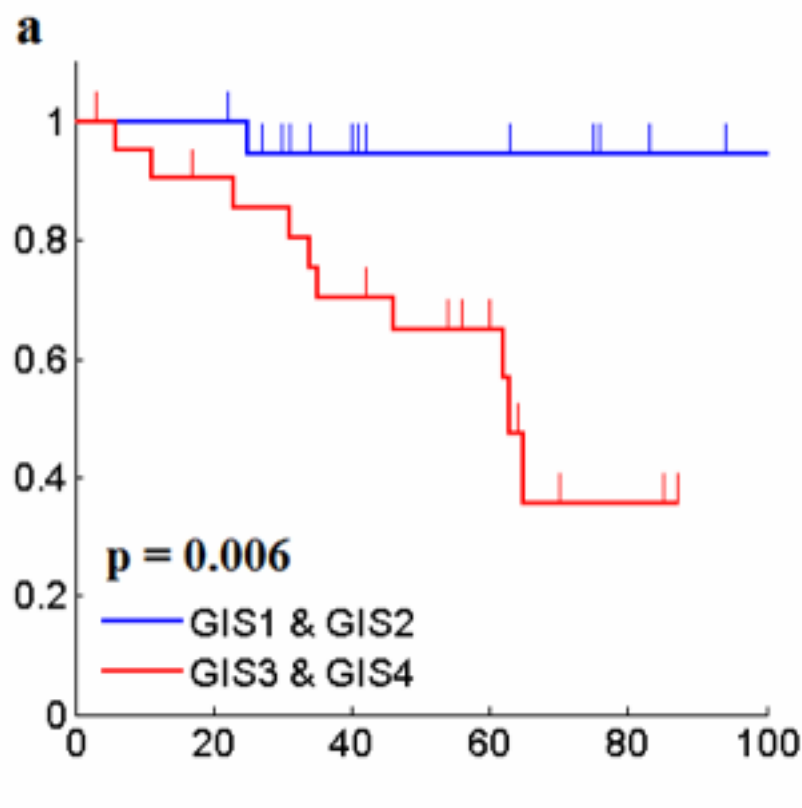
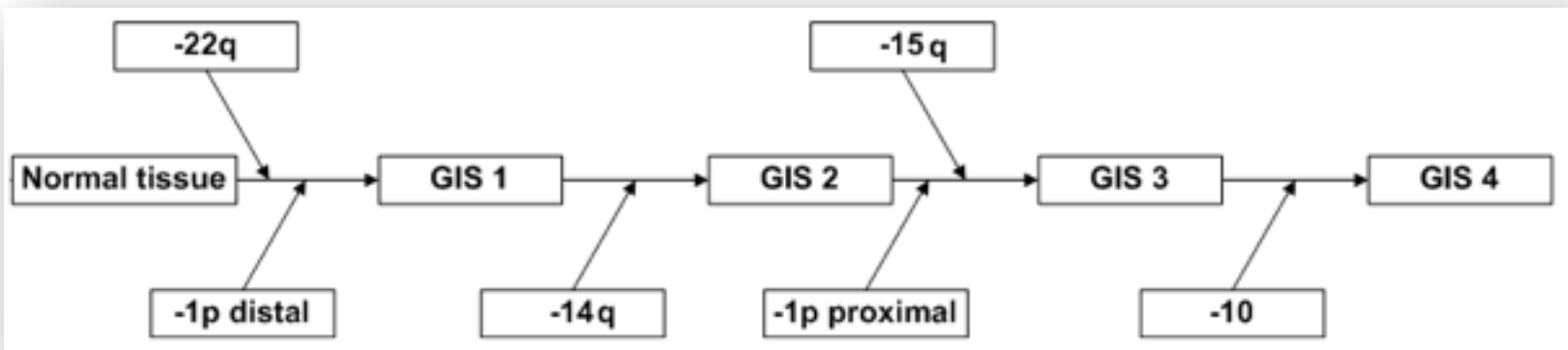
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# GIST (n=42)



# LMS (n=30)

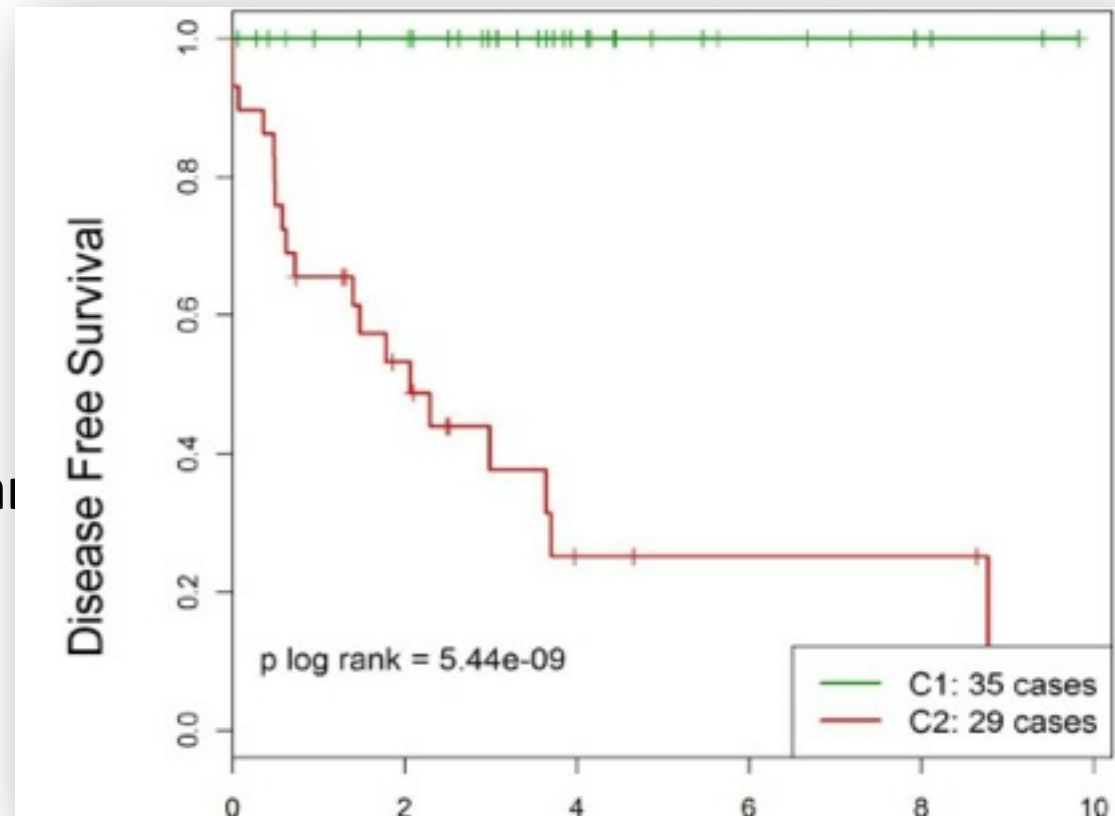




# *GIST and molecular signature*

(Lagarde et al. Clin Cancer Res 2012;18: 826-838)

- 67 patients  
(Leuven + Bordeaux)
- Localised GIST
- No adjuvant treatment
- Frozen tissue from primary
- Miettinen classification
- Follow-up

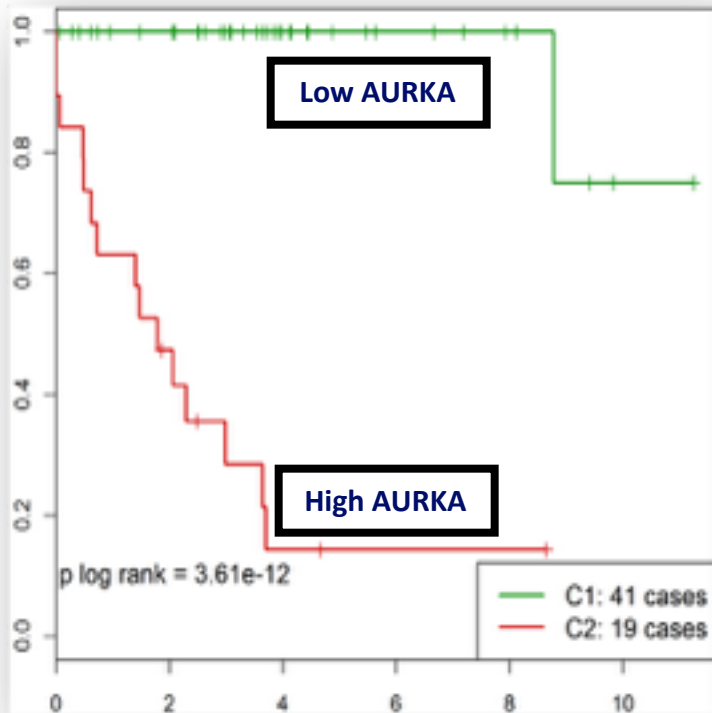


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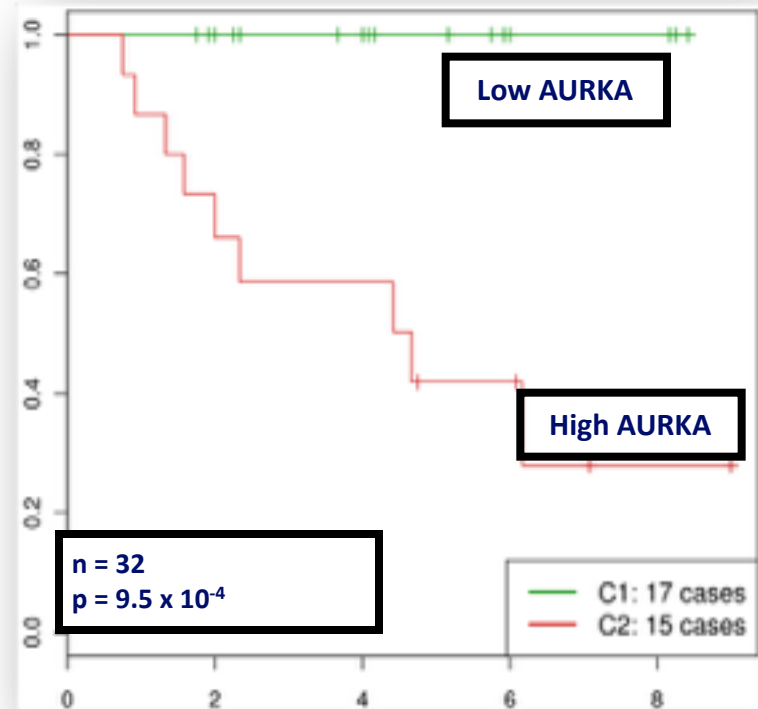
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## AURKA is a prognostic factor in GIST



Bergonié et al 2009



Yamaguchi et al IGO 2008



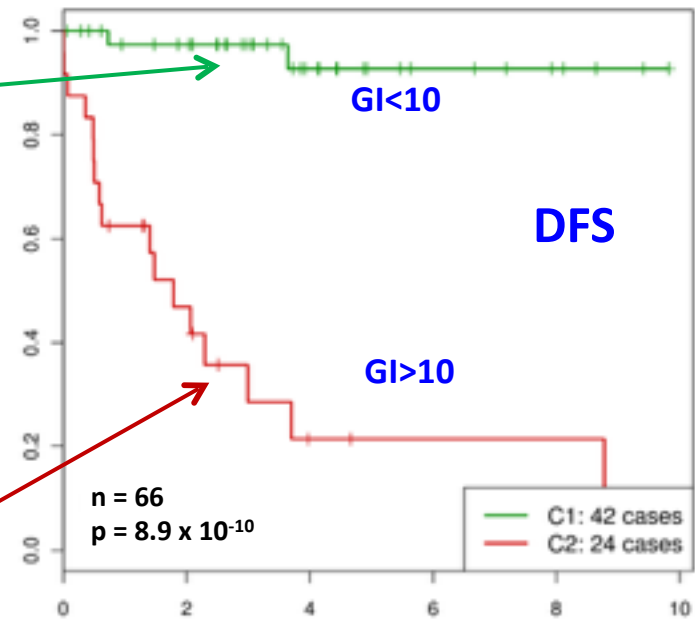
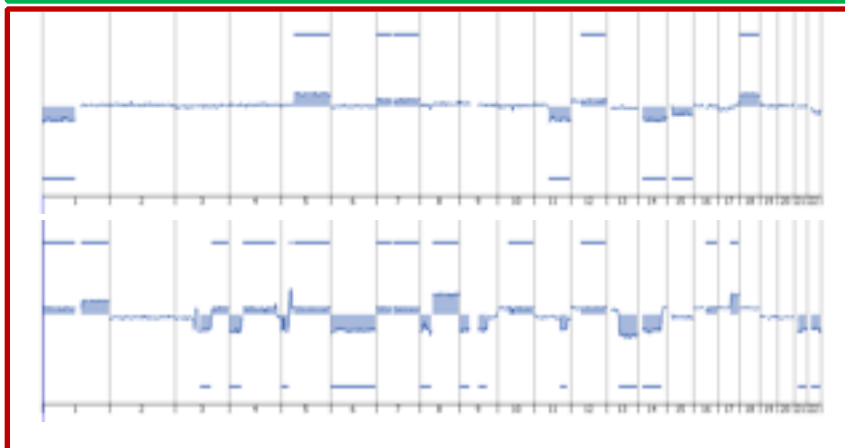
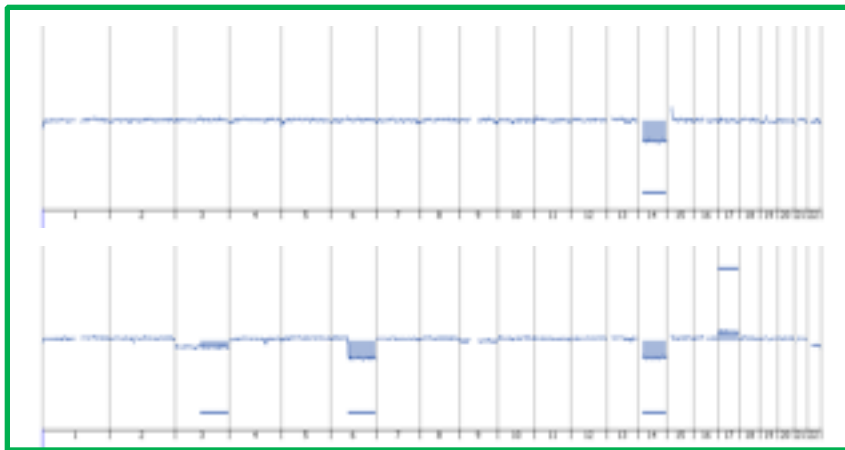
# ***AURKA* – top ranked gene in CINSARC**

- **Gene maps to chromosome 20q13**
- **Mitotic centrosomal protein kinase**
- **Control of chromosome segregation**
- **Overexpression induces centrosome duplication/distribution abnormalities and aneuploidy**
- **Overexpression associated with poor prognosis in several cancers**

# ***Prognosis in GIST***

- ***AURKA*** is overexpressed in aggressive GIST
- No amplification of ***AURKA***
- Deletion of p16 (***CDKN2A***) or ***RB1***
- Likely causal events leading to increase ***AURKA*** and CINSARC gene expression, chromosomal instability and complexity, and finally to metastasis

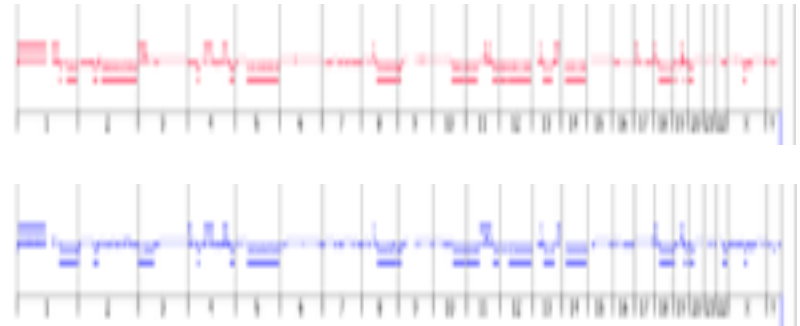
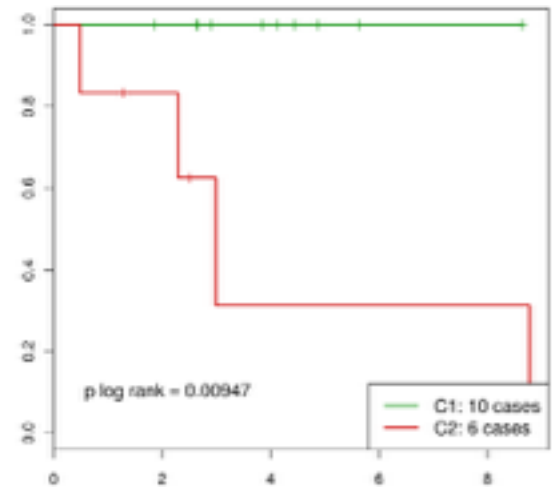
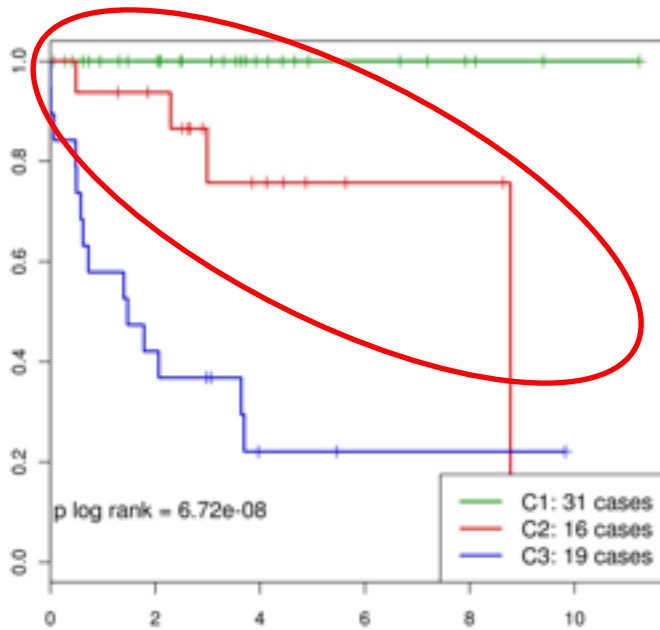
# Genomic Index (GI) is a prognostic factor in GIST...



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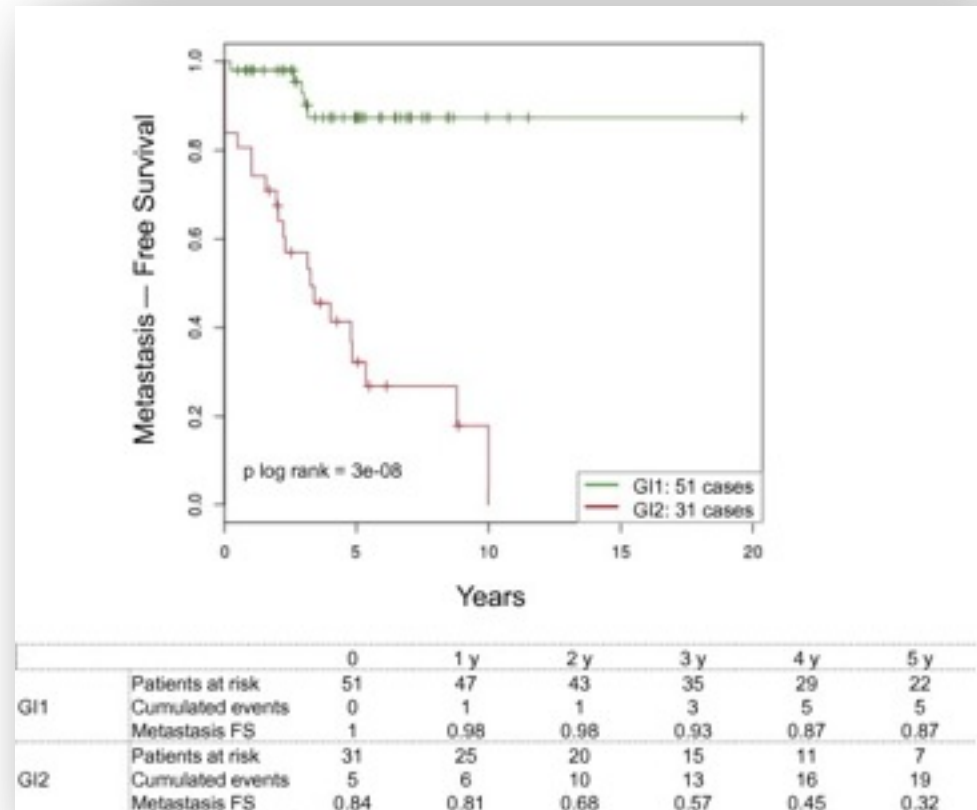
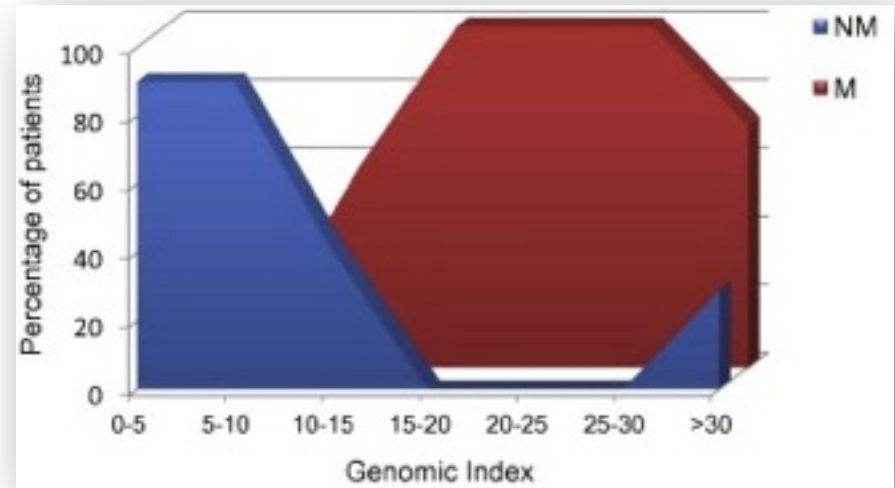


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# Latest Data

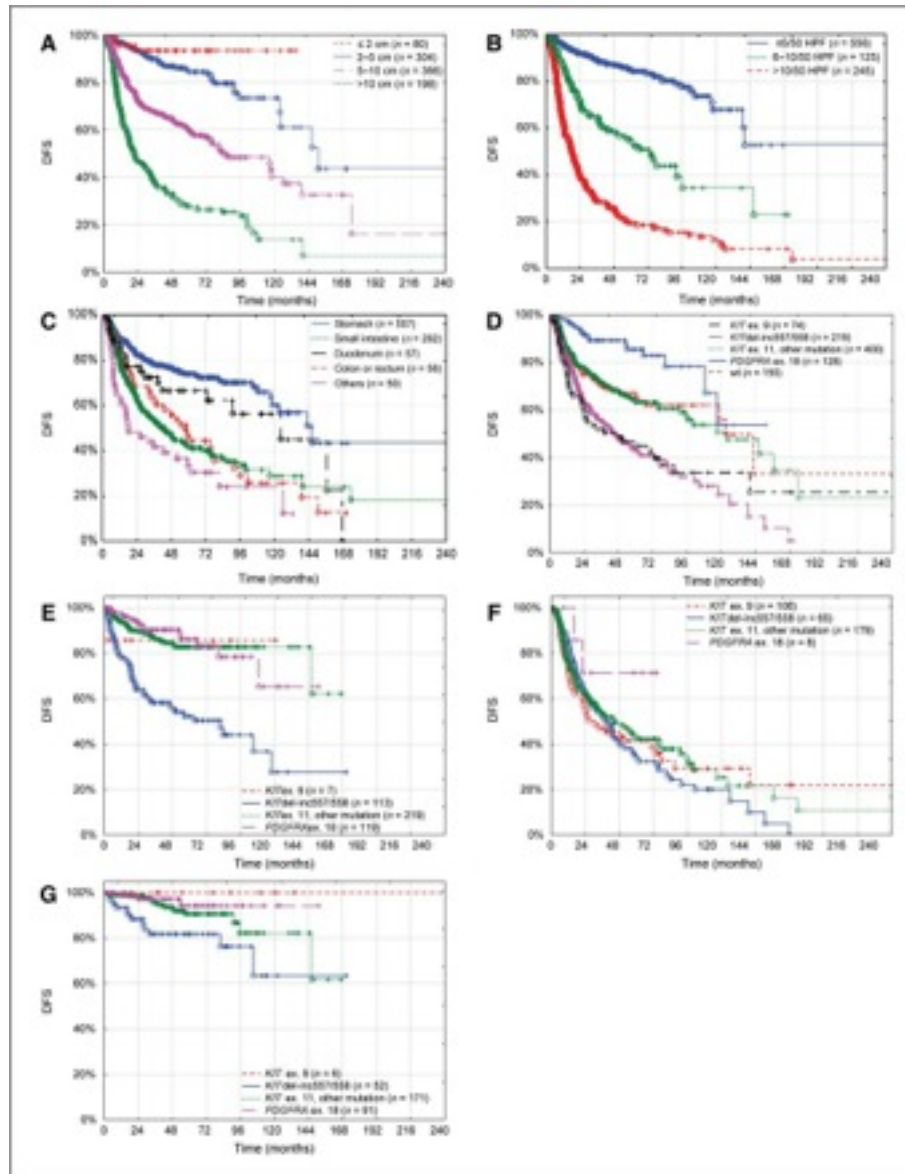
## 82 intermediate-risk (AFIP) GISTS Array CGH from FFPE blocks

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- Treviso (AP Dei Tos)
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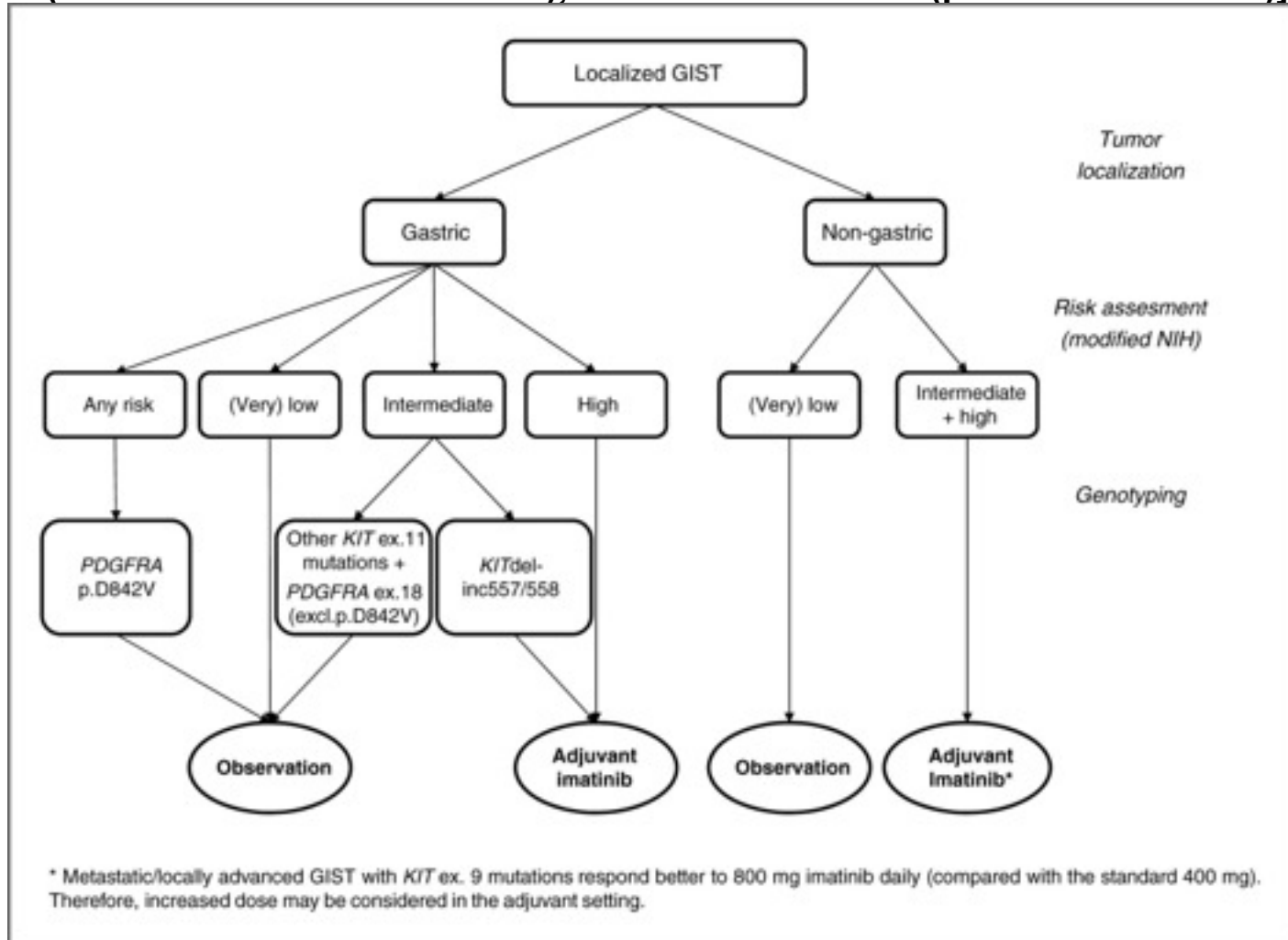
Chibon & Colleagues. Eur J Cancer 2014;  
51(1):75-83.

**Disease-free survival (DFS) by tumor size (A), mitotic count per 50 HPF (B), tumor site (C), and mutational status (D);  $P < 0.0001$  for all.**



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The recommendations for adjuvant imatinib therapy by integration of the risk assessment (based on modified NIH classification) and tumor genotype [KIT ex. 9 p.A502\_Y503dup, KIT ex. 11 (KITdel-inc557/558 and other), and PDGFRA ex. 18 (p.D842V and other)] in ...



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