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**An Integrated Approach to the
Diagnosis of Mesenchymal Tumors
of the Uterus**

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**INFLAMMATORY
MYOFIBROBLASTIC
TUMOR**

OTHER

**MALIGNANT
SMOOTH MUSCLE
TUMORS**

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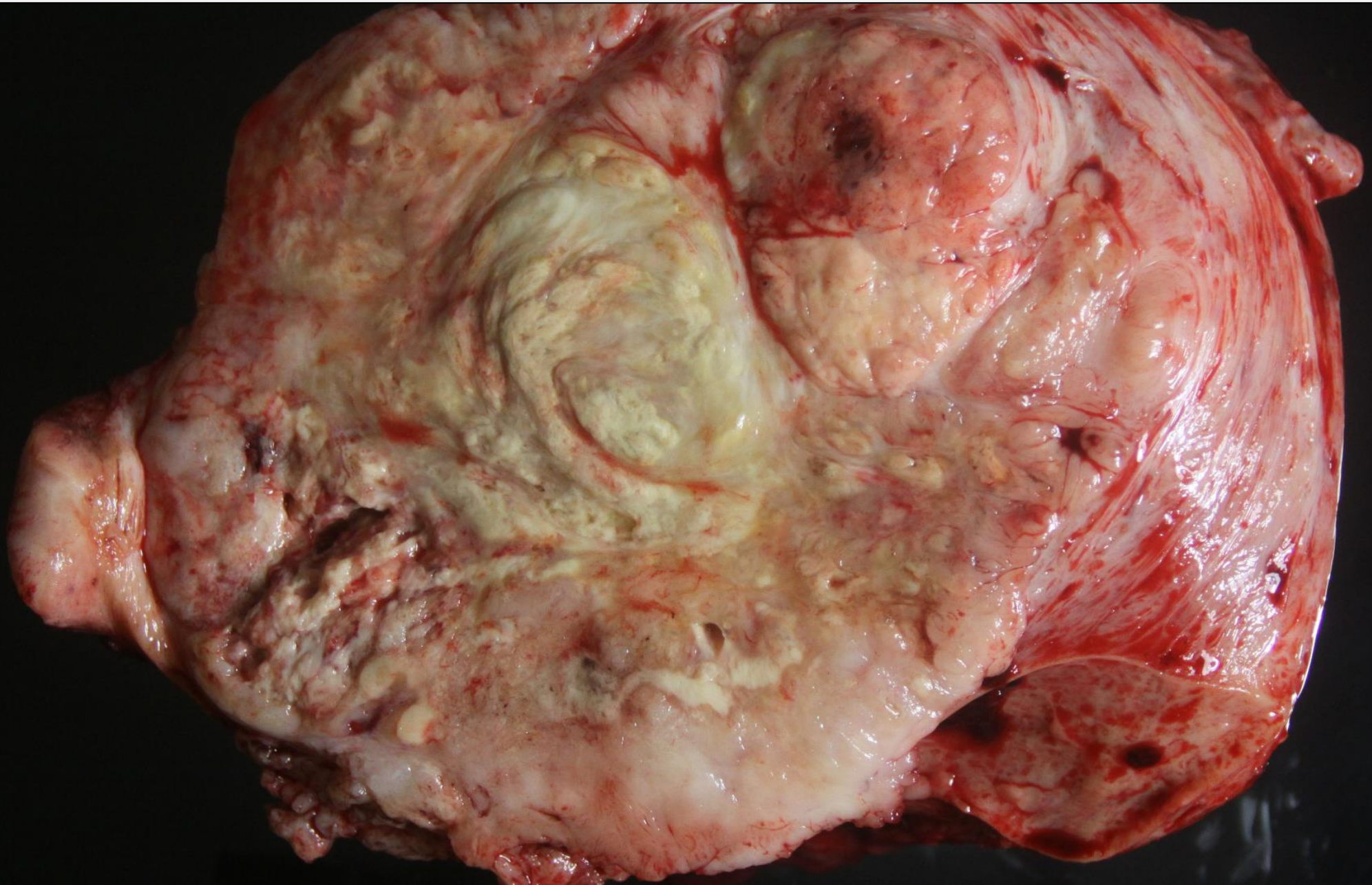
**BENIGN SMOOTH
MUSCLE TUMORS**

**LOW- AND
HIGH-GRADE
ENDOMETRIAL
STROMAL
TUMORS**

SMOOTH MUSCLE TUMORS

- **Benign or malignant or STUMP?**
 - **Cell type?**
- **What is in the differential diagnosis?**

LEIOMYOSARCOMA

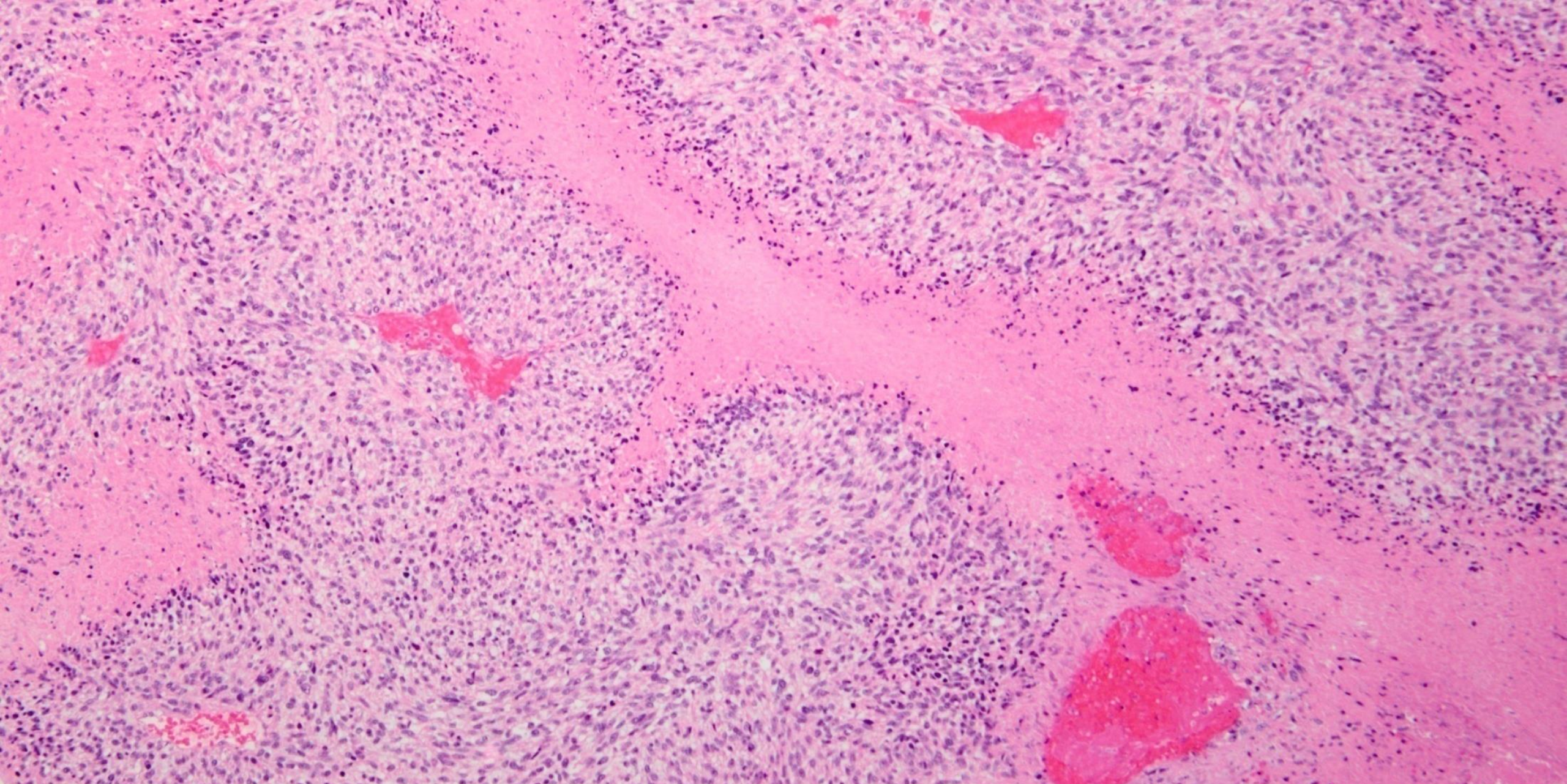


SPINDLE LEIOMYOSARCOMA

Bell et al, Am J Surg Pathol 1994;18:535

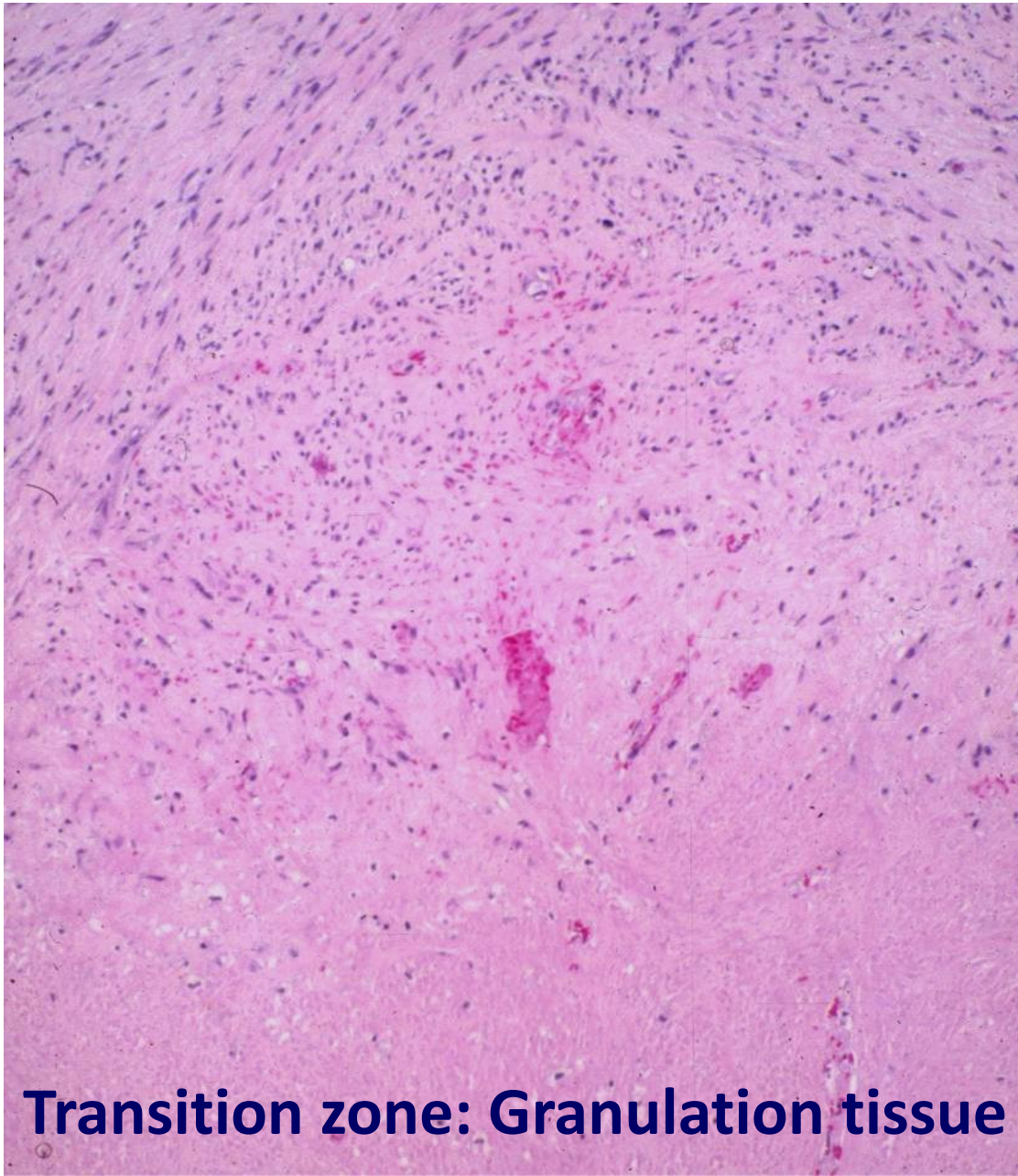
- **Tumor cell necrosis**
- **Diffuse moderate to marked atypia**
- **High mitotic rate (>10MFs/10HPFs)**

*** any two of these criteria diagnostic**

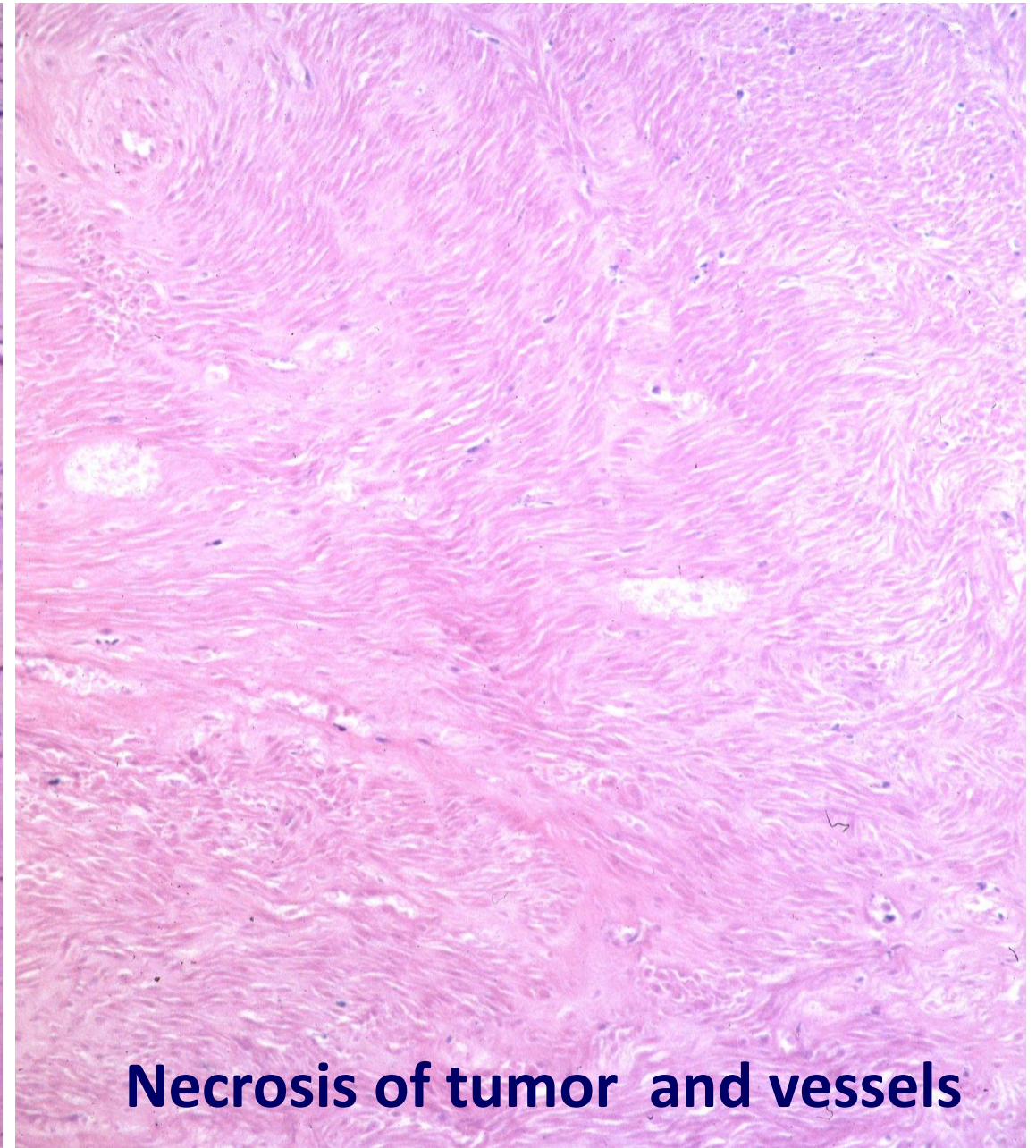


TUMOR CELL NECROSIS

INFARCT-TYPE NECROSIS

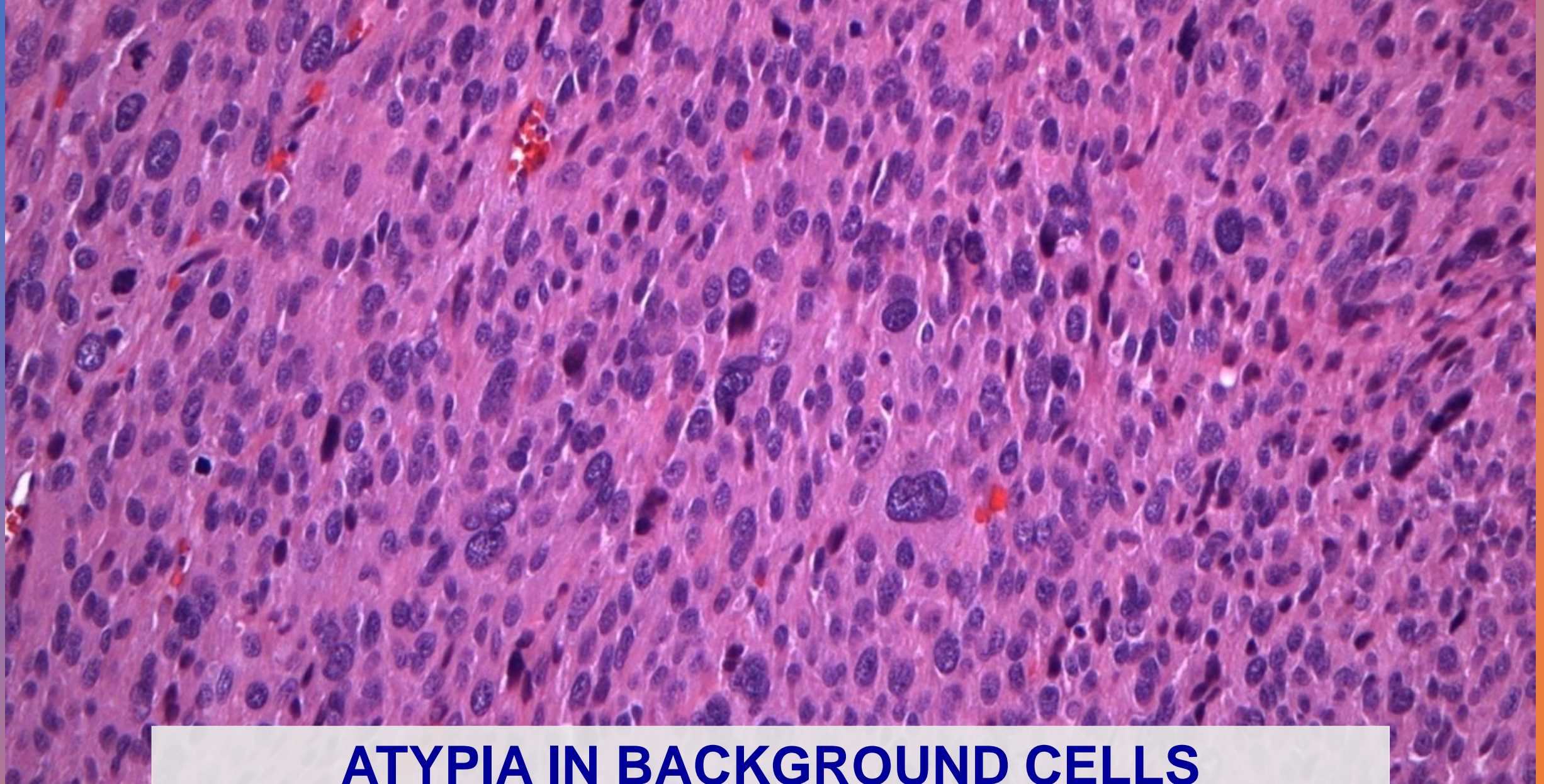


Transition zone: Granulation tissue



Necrosis of tumor and vessels

LEIOMYOSARCOMA



ATYPIA IN BACKGROUND CELLS

LEIOMYOSARCOMA GRADING

Low vs High grade

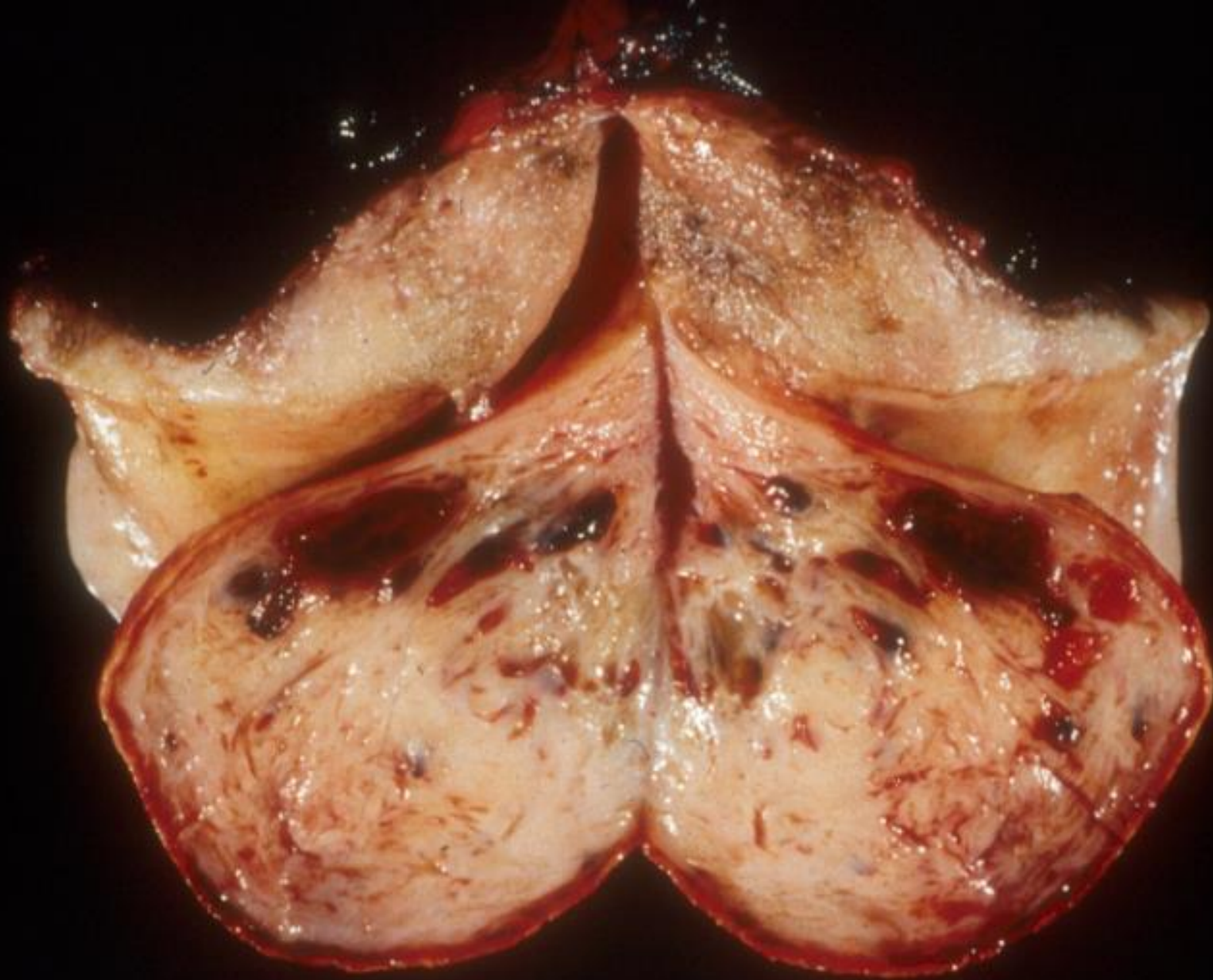
**Based on current (Stanford) criteria
all leiomyosarcomas are high-grade**

.....**Low-grade leiomyosarcomas exist,
but criteria not well defined**

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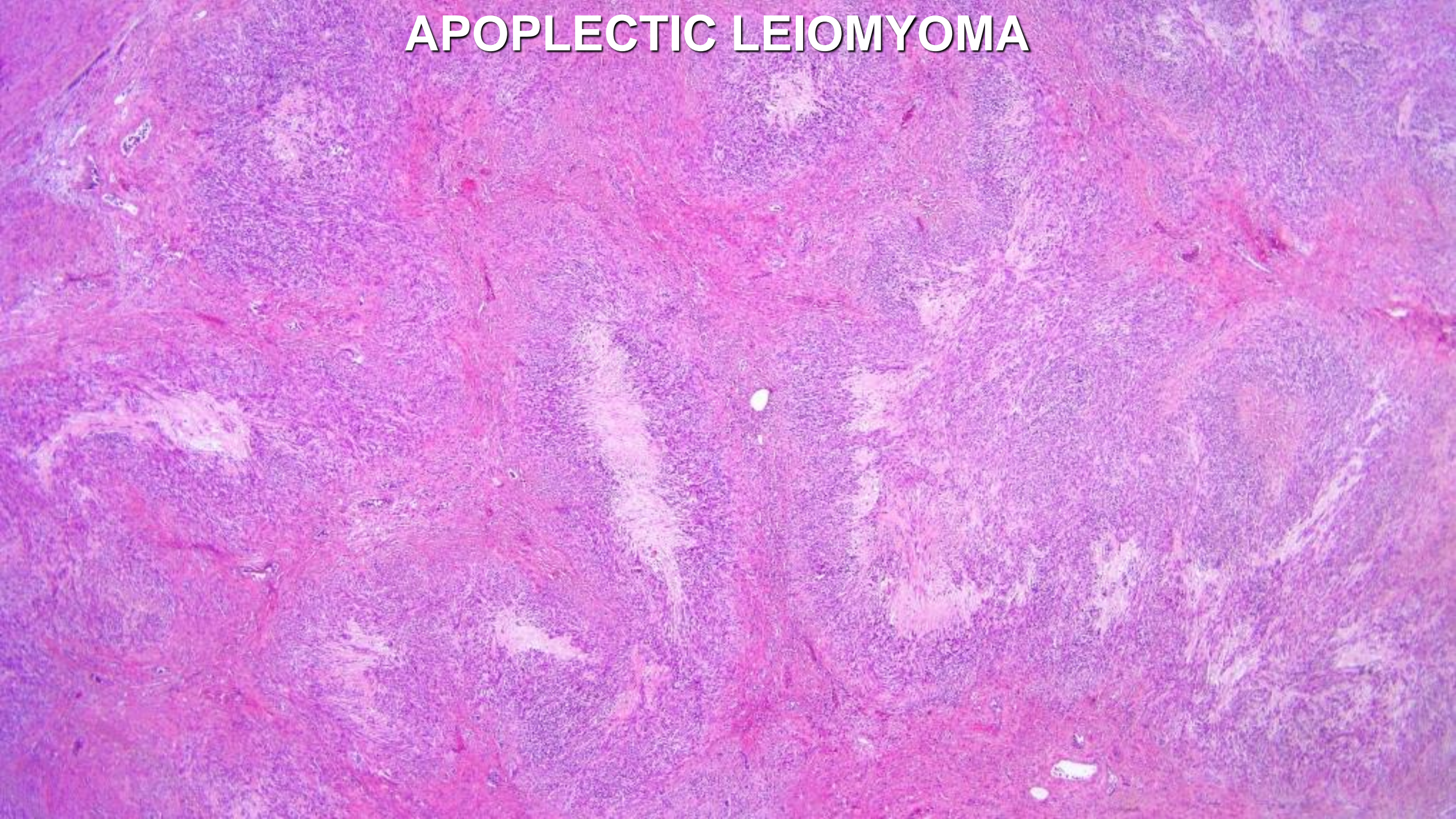
Differential Diagnosis

- **Apoplectic leiomyoma**
- **Leiomyoma with bizarre nuclei**
- **Mitotically active leiomyoma**
- **Highly cellular leiomyoma**
- **Rhabdomyosarcoma**
- **Undifferentiated uterine sarcoma
(Diagnosis of exclusion)**

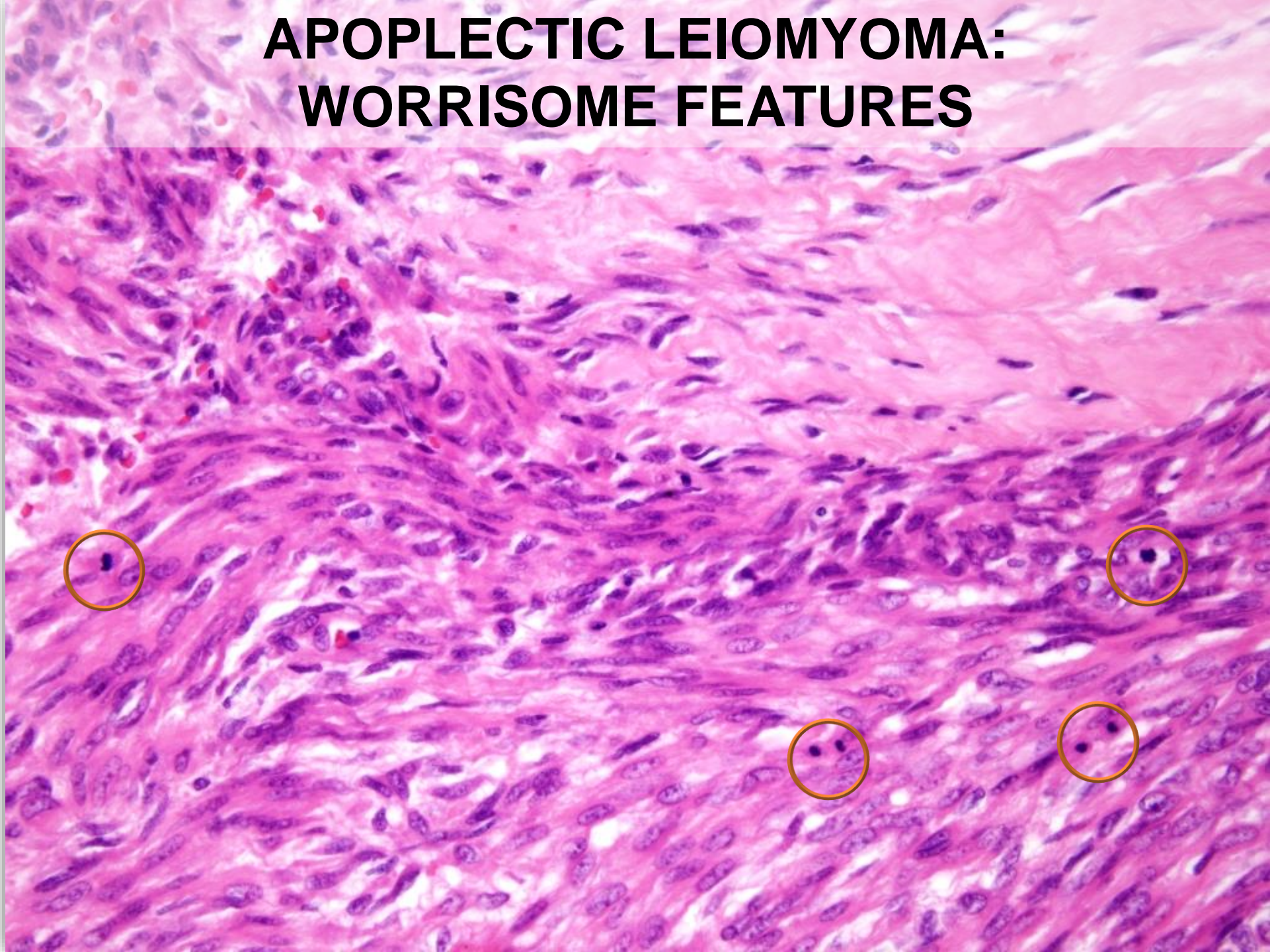


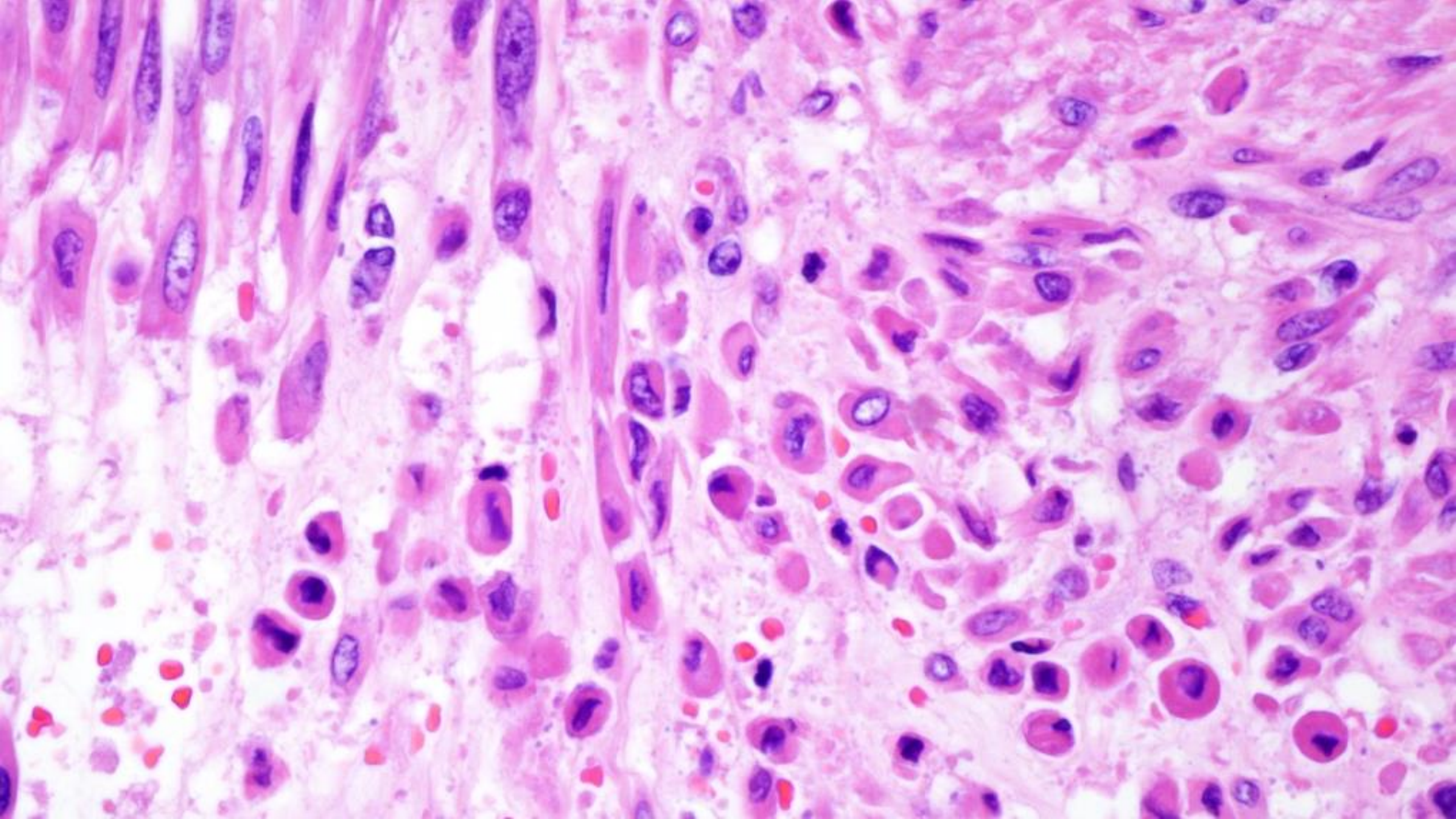
Apoplectic Leiomyoma

APOPLECTIC LEIOMYOMA

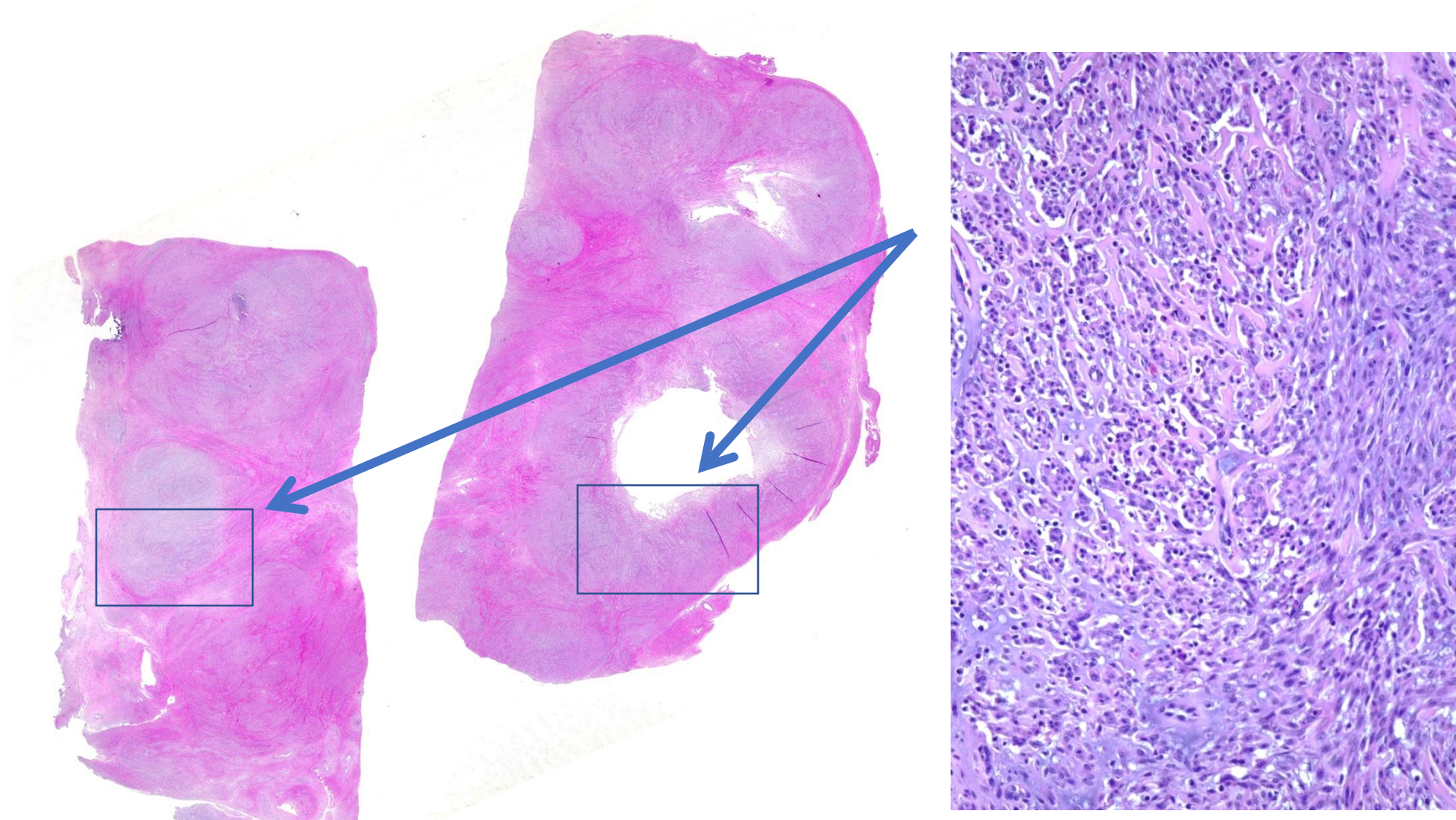


APOLECTIC LEIOMYOMA: WORRISOME FEATURES



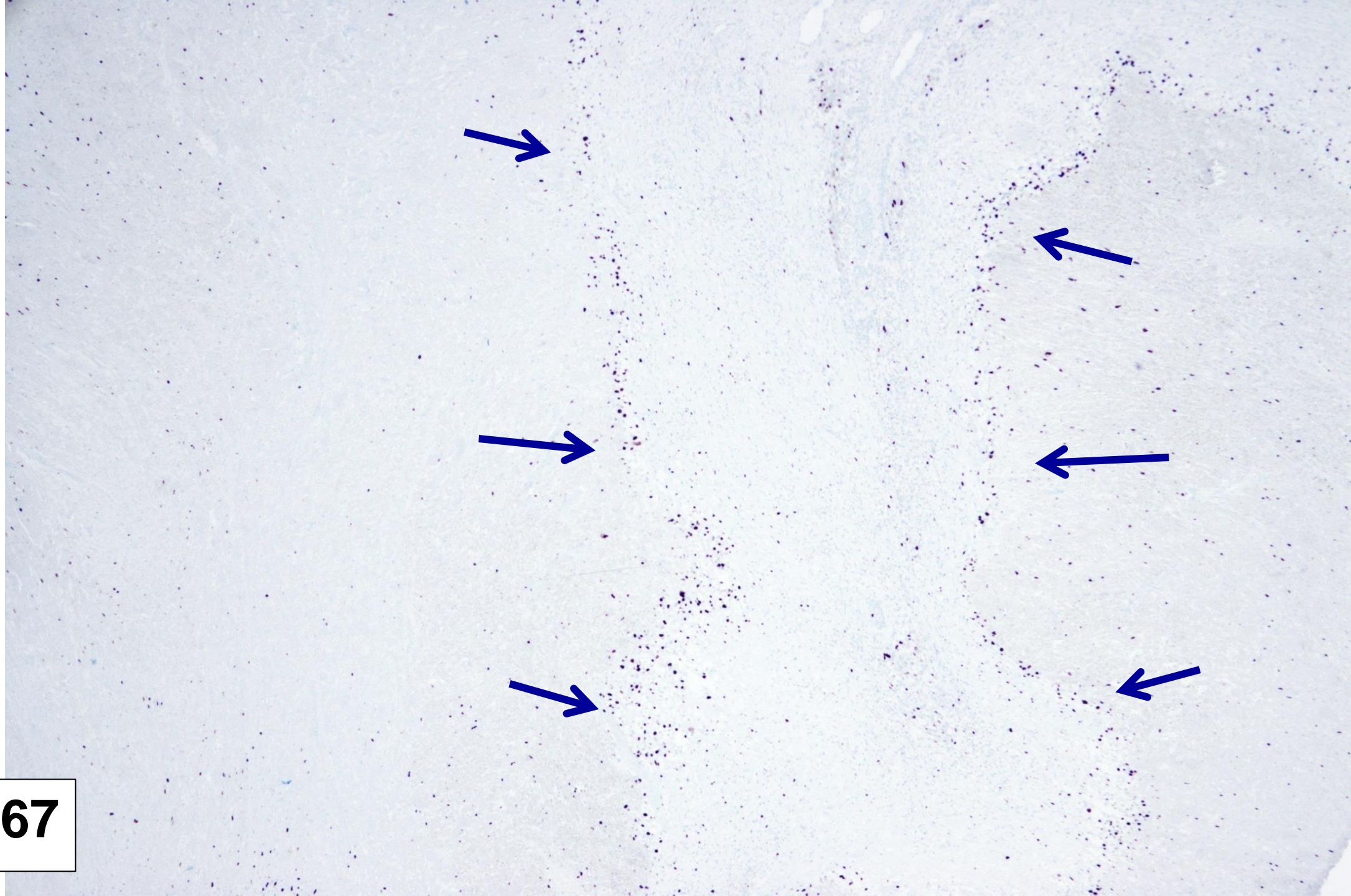


LEIOMYOMA with APOPLECTIC CHANGE

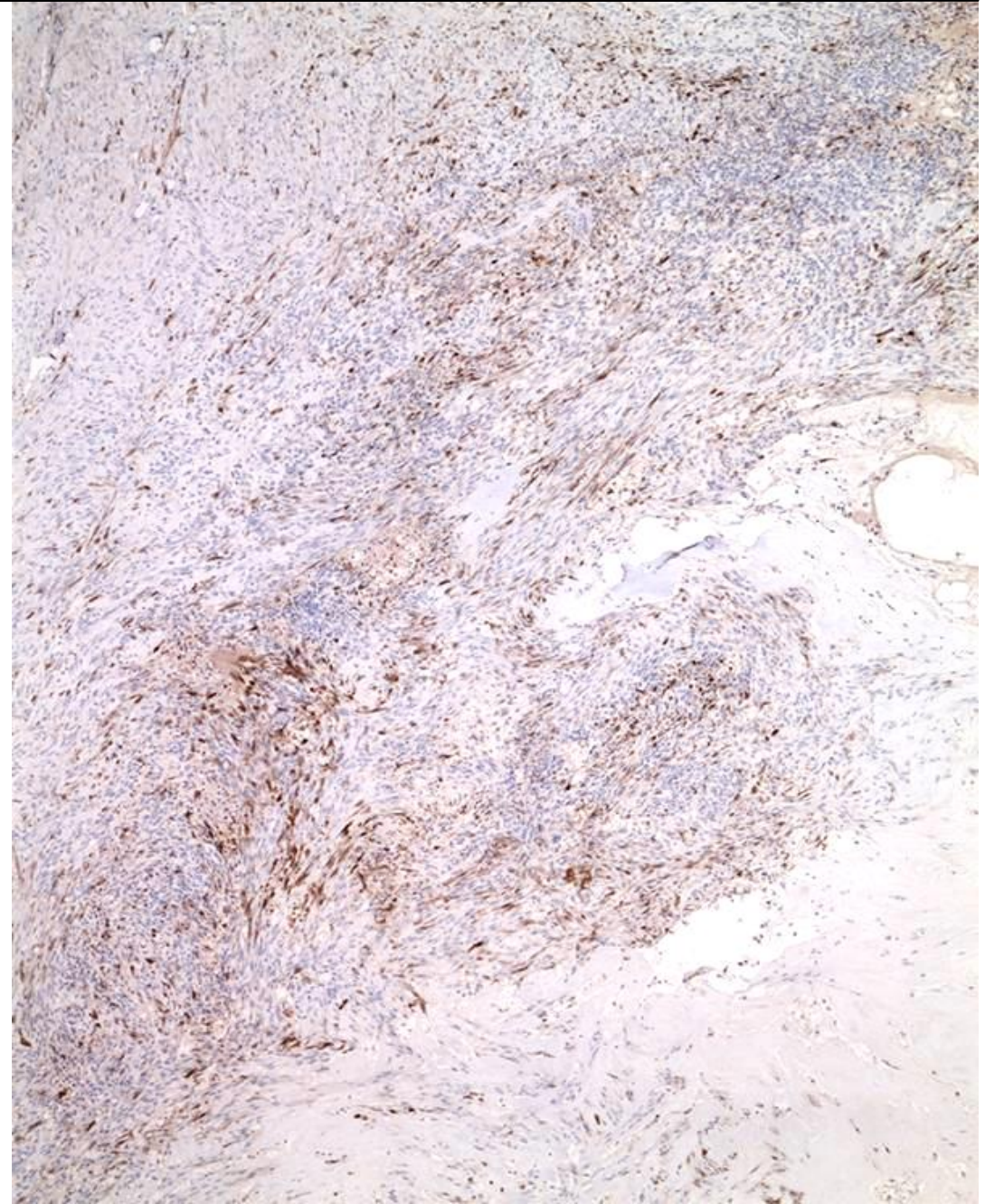
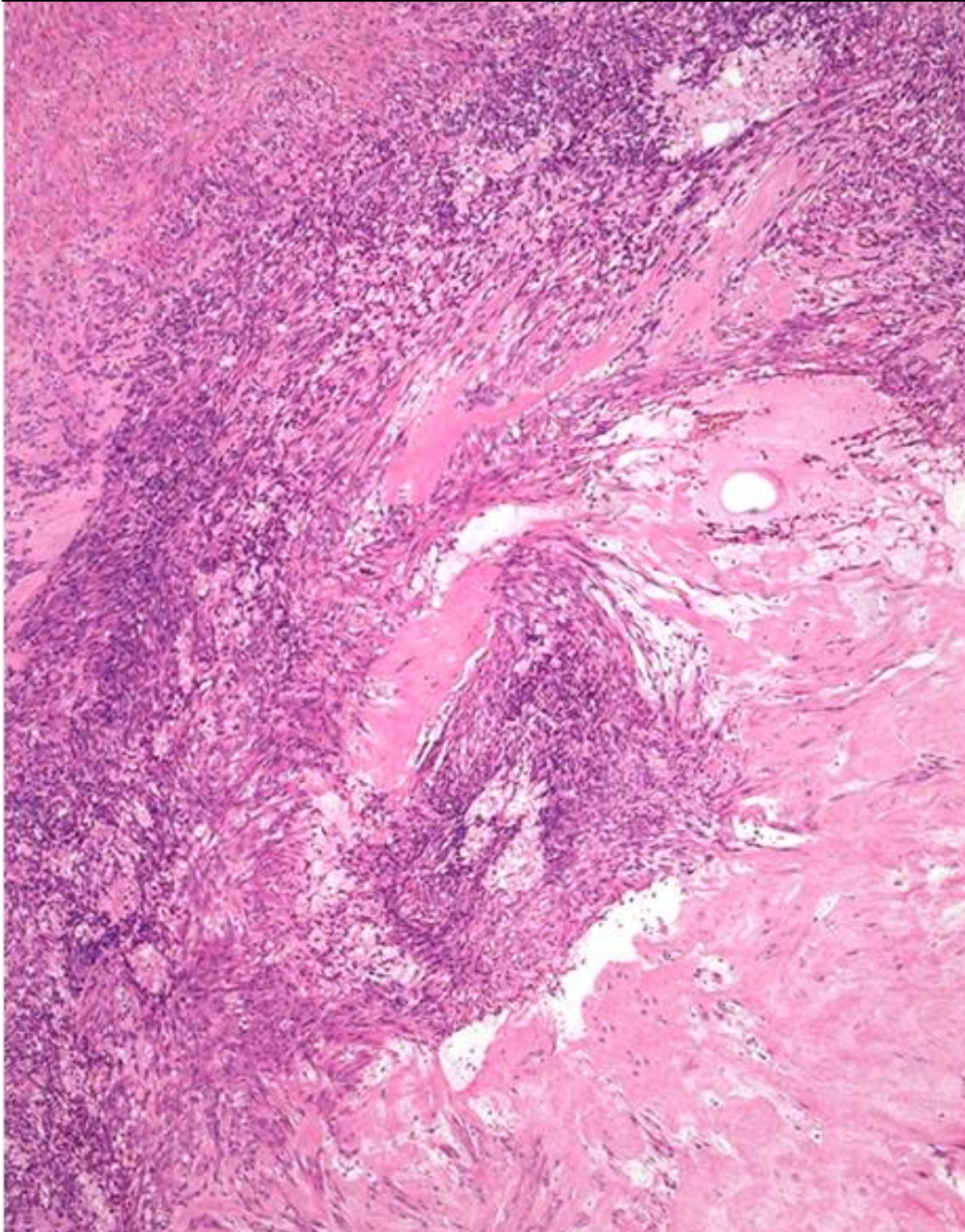


Evaluate tumor away from areas of infarction

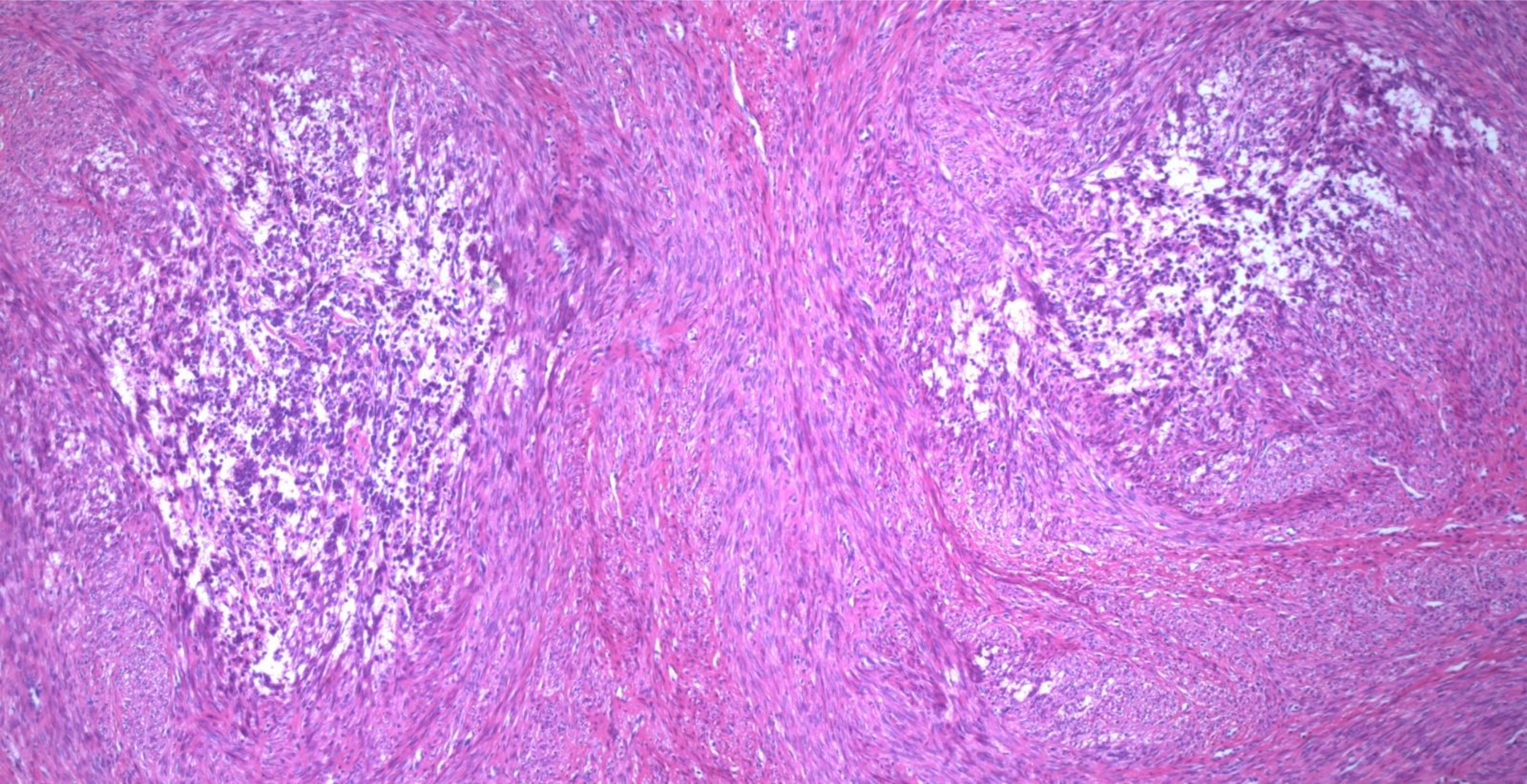
Ki67



APOPLECTIC LEIOMYOMA: p16 POSITIVE



APOLECTIC LEIOMYOMA: CLUES



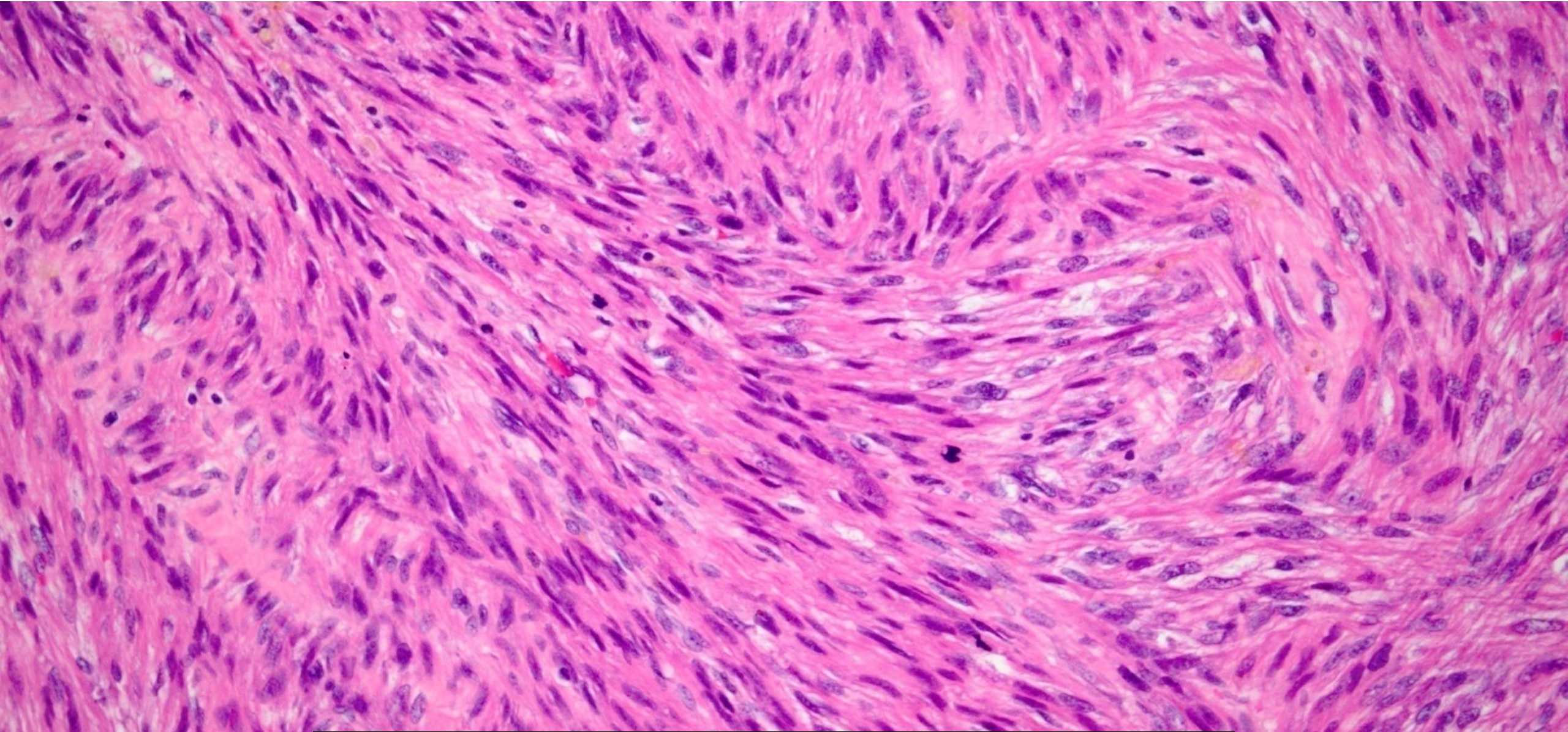


APOLECTIC LEIOMYOMA

HISTORY OF PROGESTATIONAL THERAPY

**“Zonation”
important feature
in recognizing
the tumor as
BENIGN**

MITOTICALLY ACTIVE LEIOMYOMA

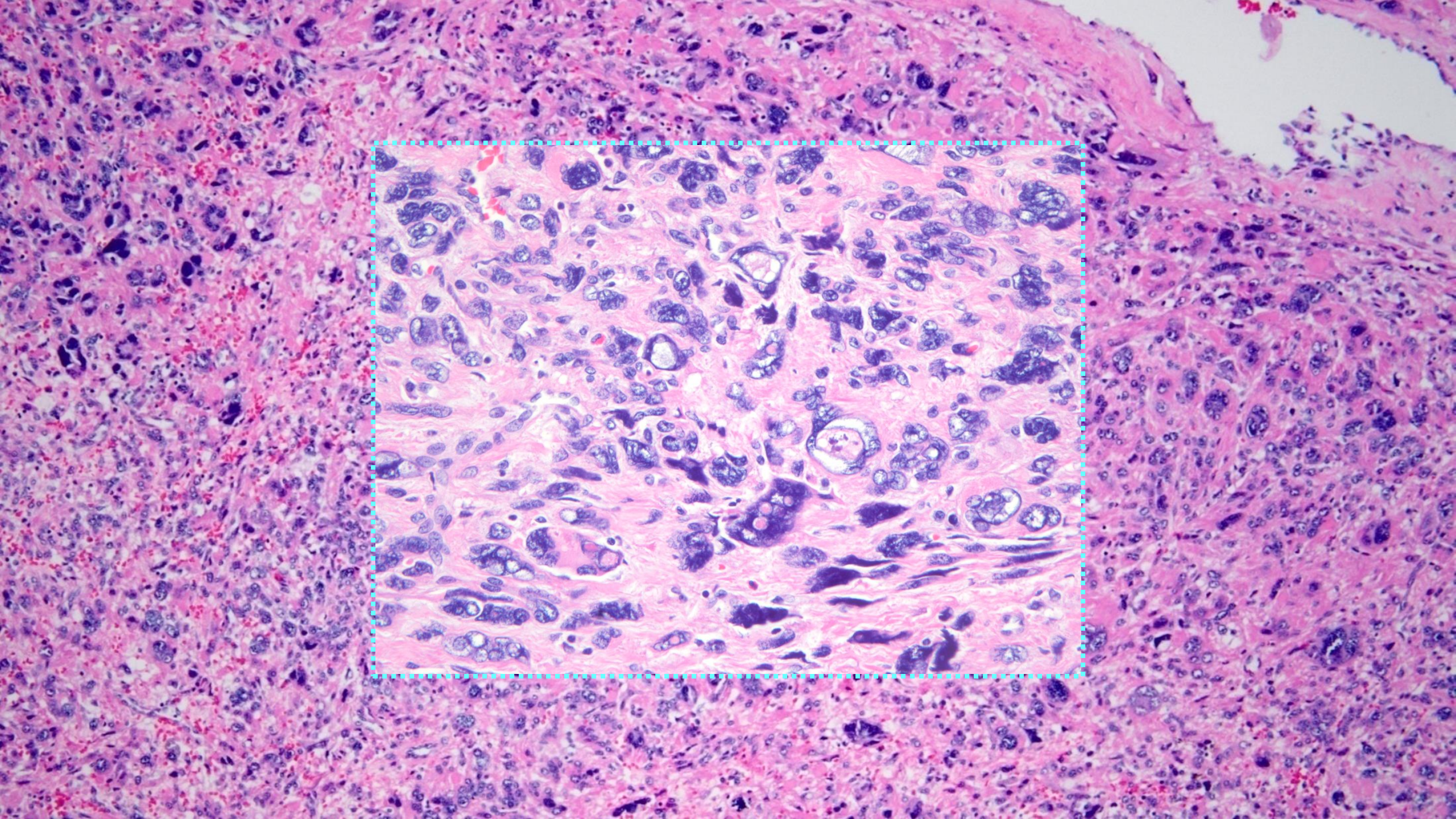


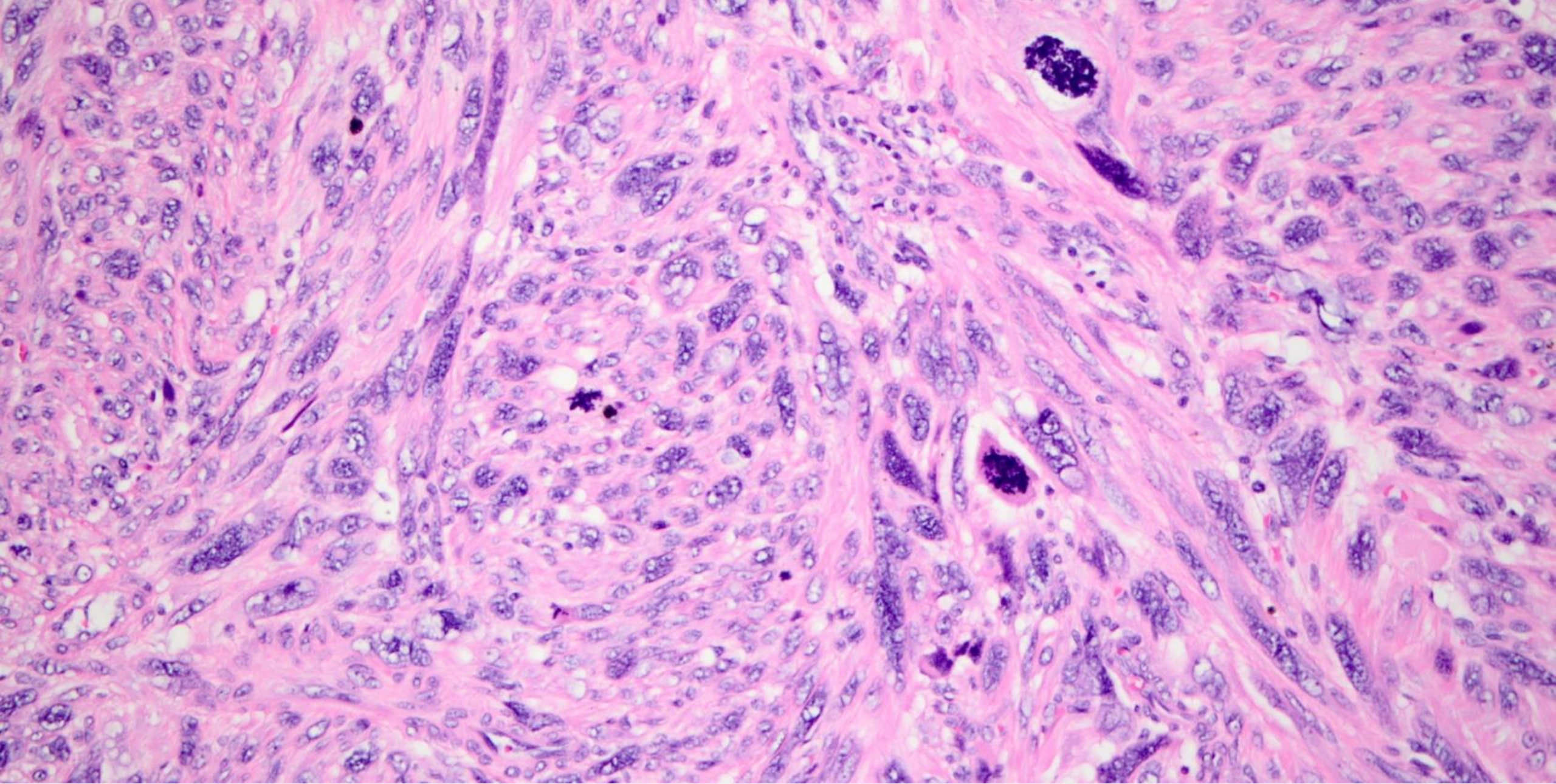
NO CYTOLOGIC ATYPIA !

Leiomyomas with Bizarre Nuclei (synonym: symplastic)

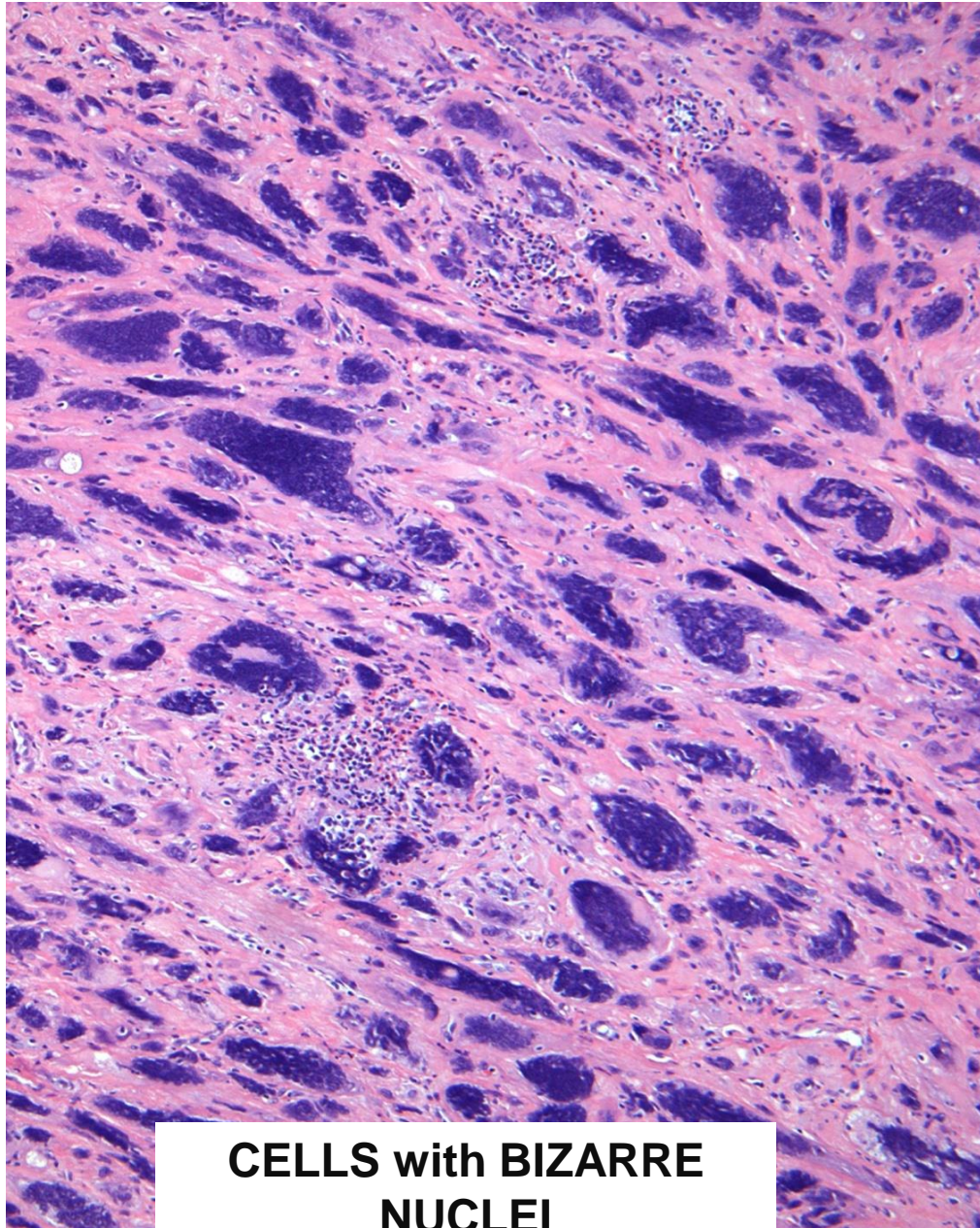
CONCERNING FEATURES :

- Bizarre mono or multinucleated cells with nuclear pseudoinclusions
- Diffuse distribution or high density of cells
- Karyorrhectic nuclei and coarse chromatin
- Prominent nucleoli
- Mitotic counts focally up to 7/10HPFs
(average 1-2)

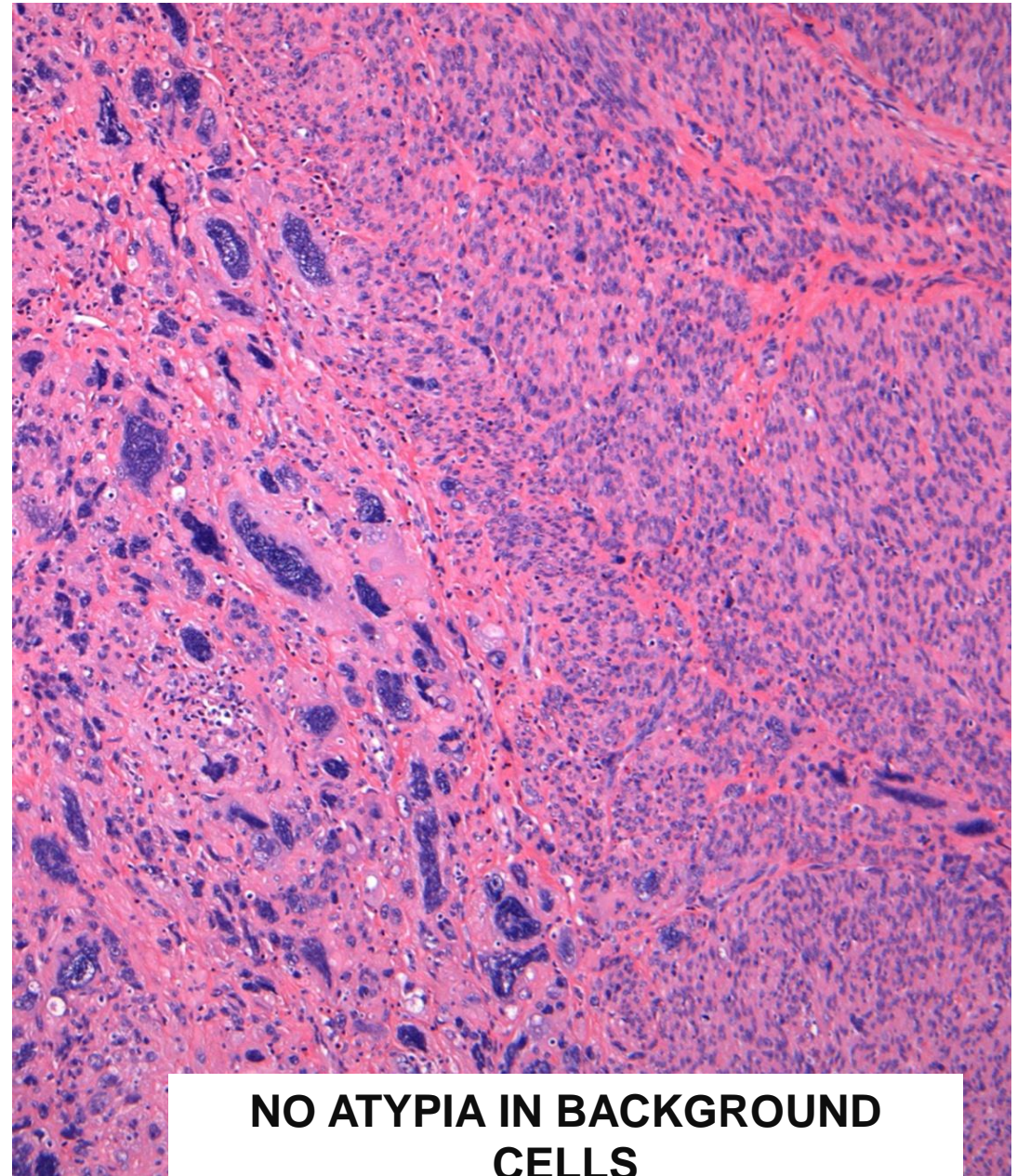




Karyorrhectic nuclei often counted as atypical mitoses



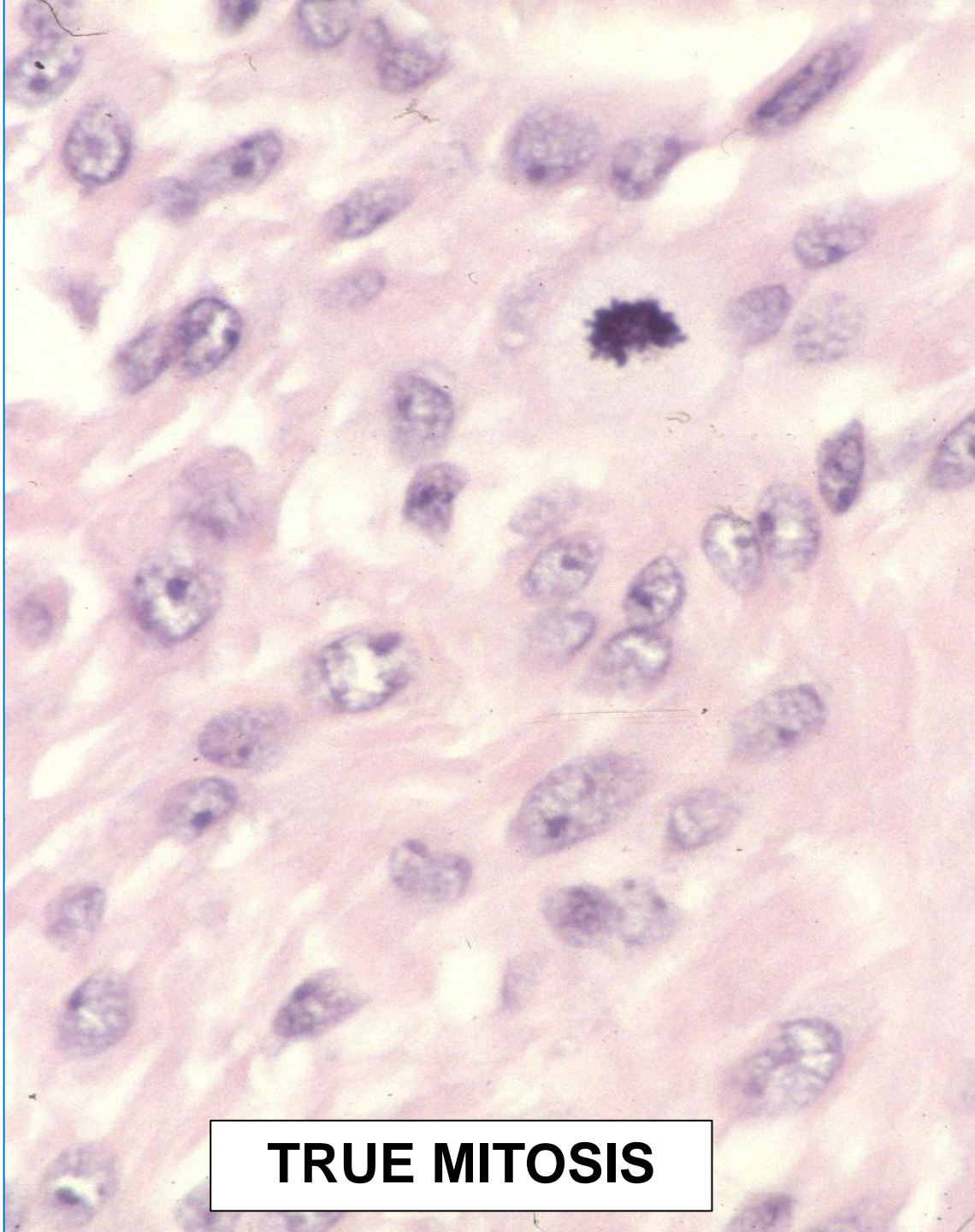
**CELLS with BIZARRE
NUCLEI**



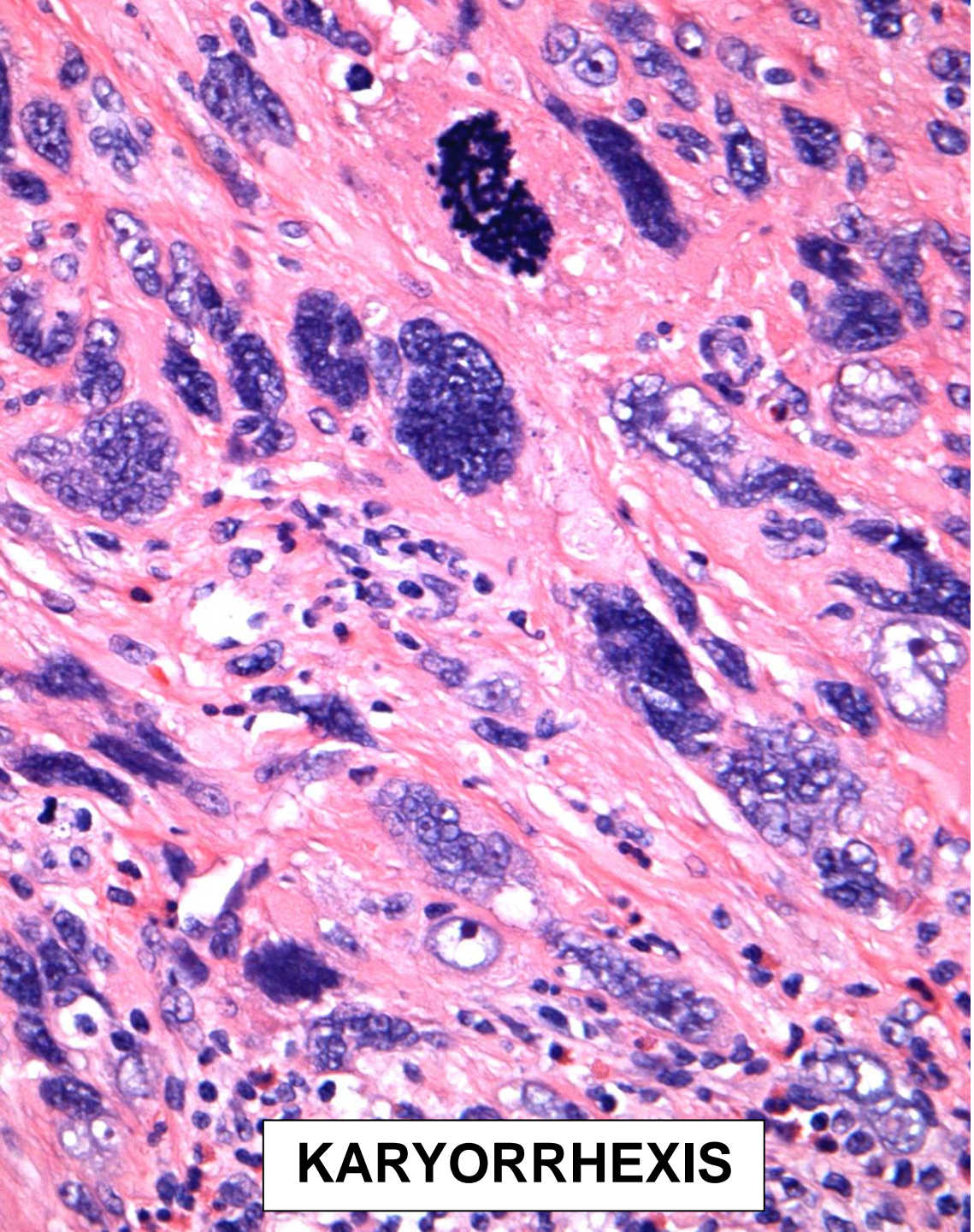
**NO ATYPIA IN BACKGROUND
CELLS**

Leiomyoma with Bizarre Nuclei vs Leiomyosarcoma

	<u>LMBN</u>	<u>LMS</u>
Mitotic count	<10	>10
Tumor cell necrosis	-	+
DNA ploidy	Diploid	Aneuploid
MIB-1	Low	High
ER/PR	+	+ (~50%)
p53	-/+	+
p16	+/-	+
<i>MED12 mutations</i>	Uncommon	Rare



TRUE MITOSIS



KARYORRHEXIS


Leiomyoma with Bizarre Nuclei vs Leiomyosarcoma

- **Ki-67 is very often performed but is infrequently helpful as results show extensive overlap between leiomyoma with bizarre nuclei and leiomyosarcoma**
- **Ki-67 typically overestimates mitotic index**

Mills AM, et al, Am J Surg Pathol 2013



Predictors of adverse outcome in uterine smooth muscle tumours of uncertain malignant potential (STUMP): a clinicopathological analysis of 22 cases with a proposal for the inclusion of additional histological parameters

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If adverse outcome, features included:

- moderate–severe nuclear atypia (7)
- Infiltrative or irregular margins (5)
- vascular intrusion (3)
- atypical mitoses (2)
- epithelioid features (1)

Necrosis not particularly associated with adverse outcomes

Evaluation of criteria to distinguish uterine smooth muscle tumors of uncertain malignant potential (STUMP) from mimics and improved prediction of patient outcome: A multi-institutional study of 51 cases

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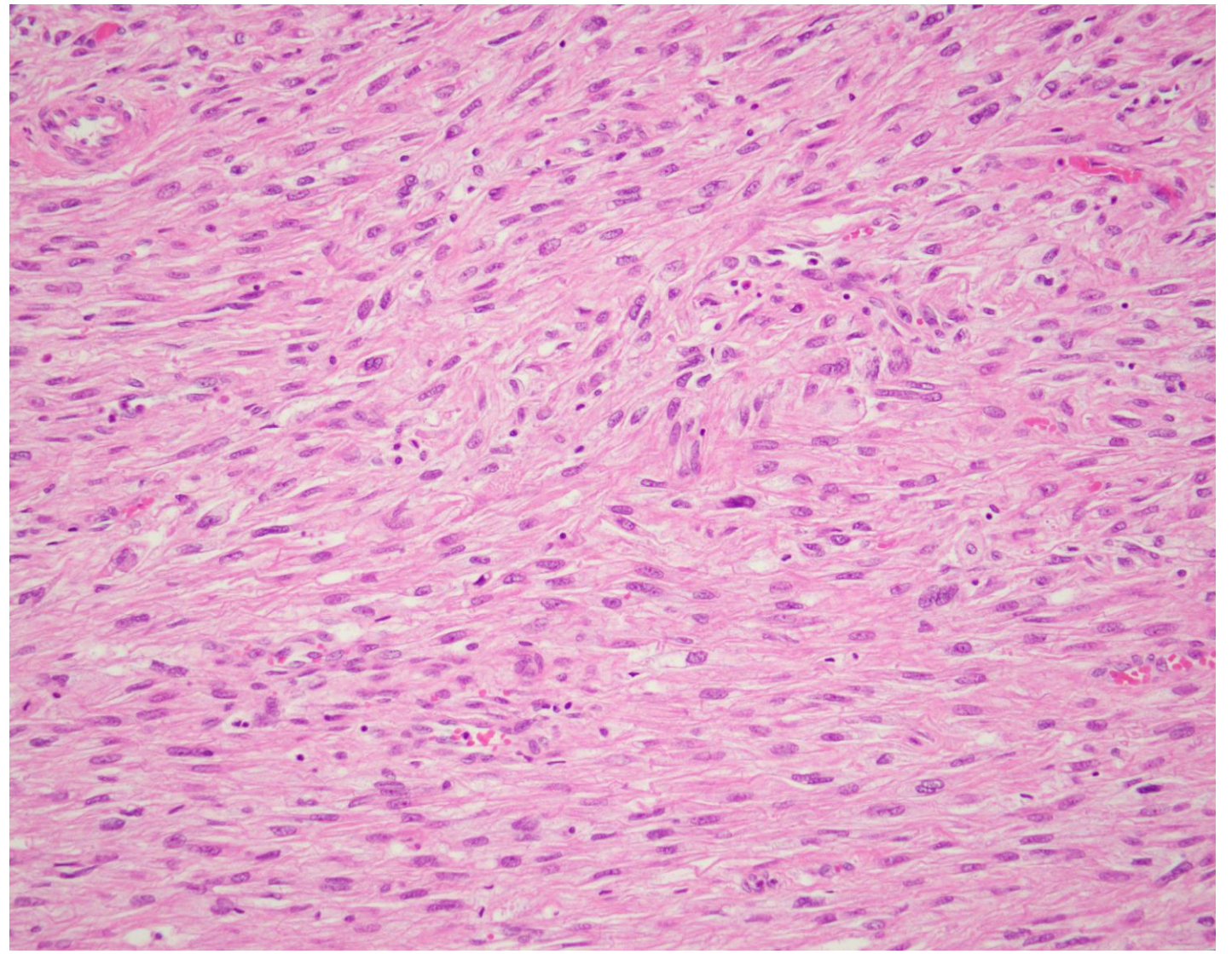
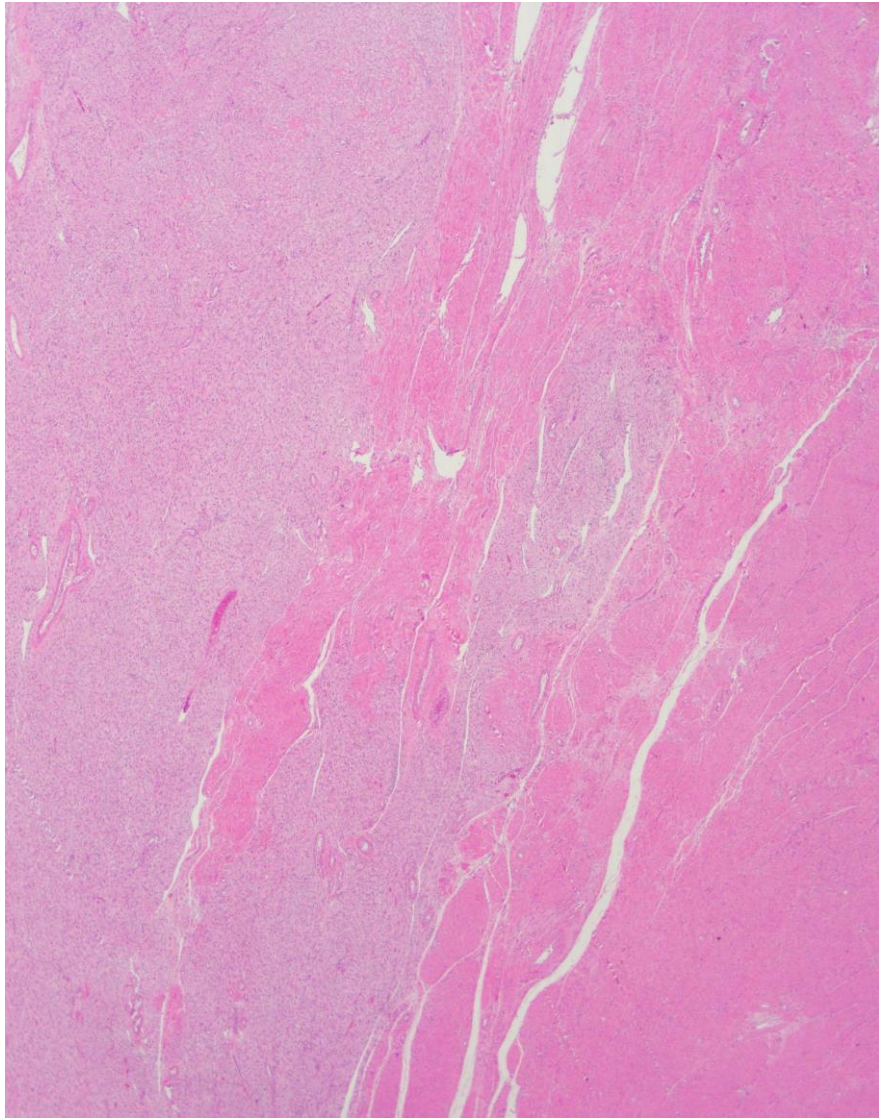
Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School, Boston. USCAP 2019

- Diagnostic criteria vary among pathologists. After consensus review by a panel of experienced gynecologic pathologists, original diagnosis changed in 49% cases to leiomyoma variants, high-grade leiomyosarcoma, others
- Combination of histologic features such as nuclear atypia, mitoses, tumor cell necrosis, infiltrative margins, vascular space intrusion/invasion, and focal myxoid or epithelioid differentiation present in tumors with +/- recurrences
- Prominent long sweeping fascicles significantly present in tumors followed by recurrence

STUMP-WHO (5th EDITION)

Guidelines for spindle cell tumors

- 1- Focal/multifocal/diffuse atypia with 7-9 mitoses/10HPFs without TCN
 - 12-17% of these tumors have recurred but also some even with < mitoses
- 2- If TCN but no other worrisome features (~28%)
 - These tumors have also recurred
- 3- Tumors with >15 mitoses/10HPFs without cytologic atypia or TCN
 - None has recurred
- 4- If diffuse atypia and uncertain mitotic count (often due to karyorrhexis)



Diagnosed as STUMP with posterior omental metastases

Smooth Muscle Tumor of Uncertain Malignant Potential “STUMP”

**DO NOT USE FOR
LEIOMYOMA VARIANTS!**

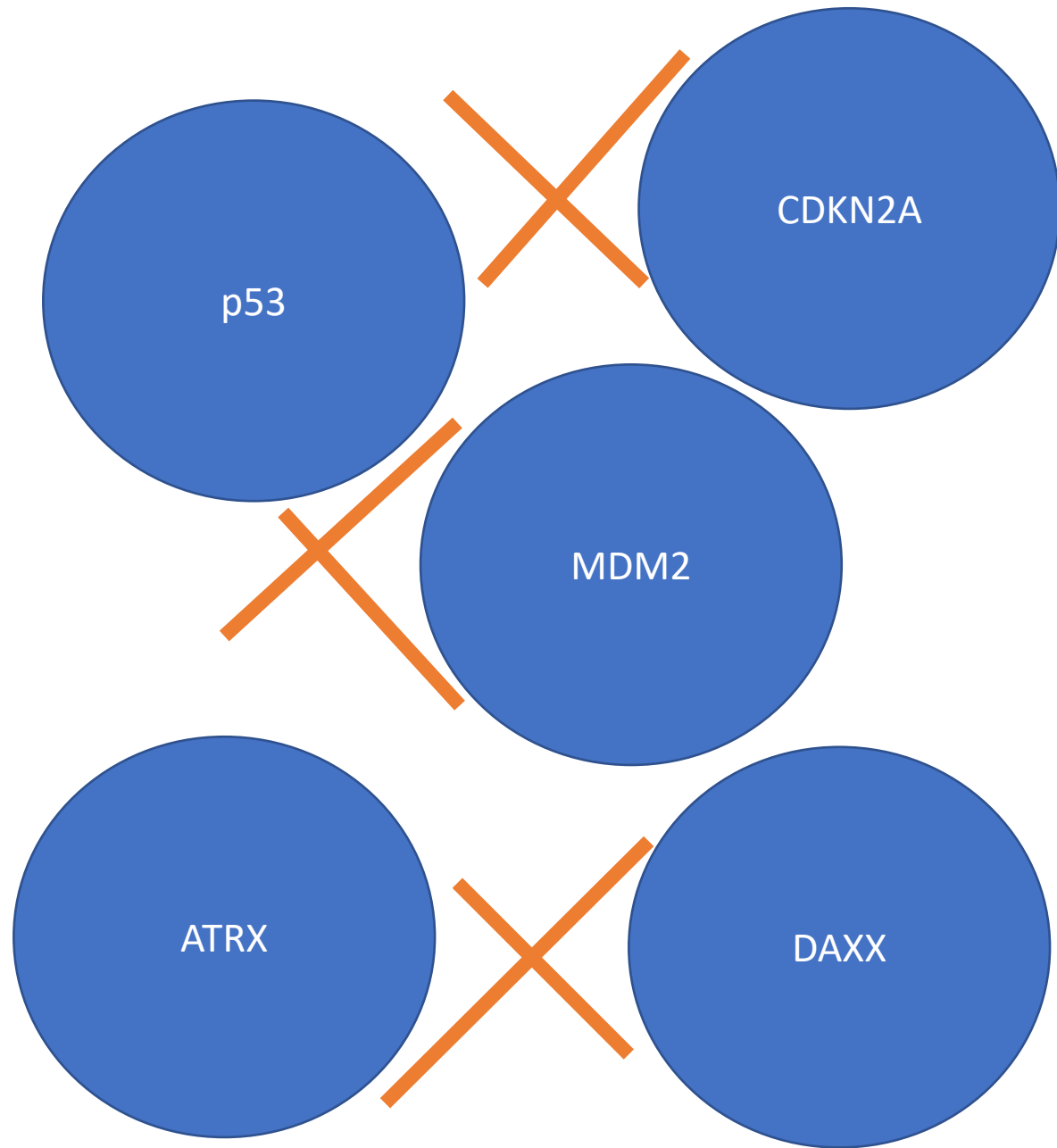
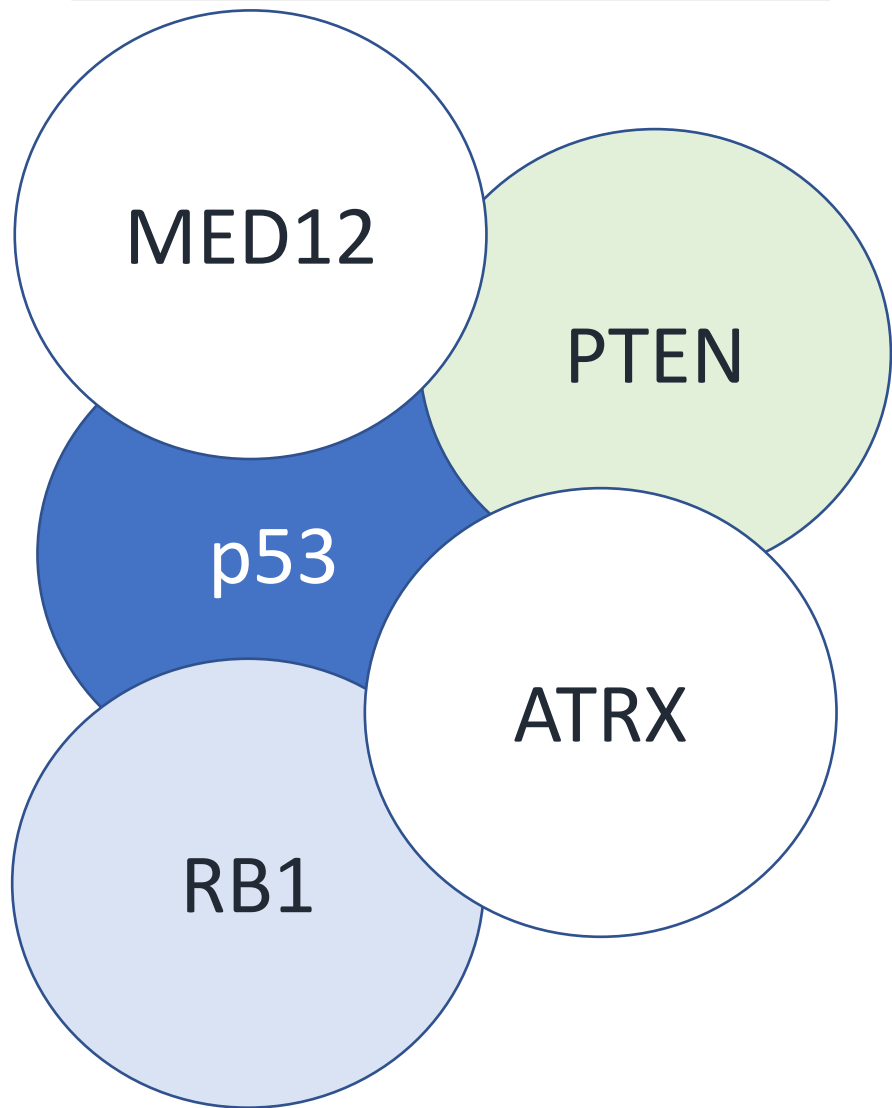
LMS

***TP53* (40%), (*ATRX*) (26%),
MED12 (21%); BRCA2 (rare)
mutations**

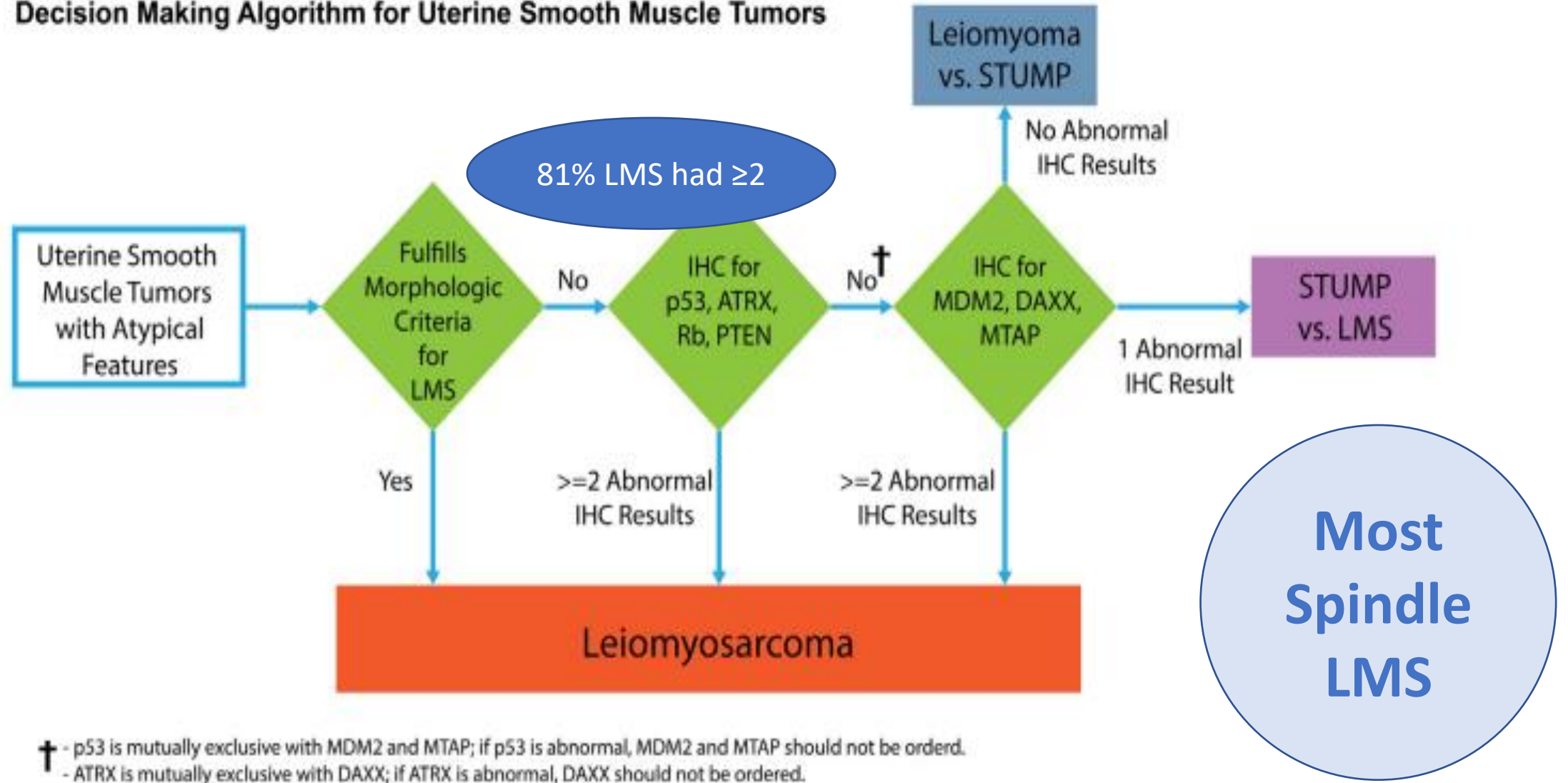
HMGA2 rearrangements

**> 60% complex
numerical and structural
chromosomal
aberrations including
losses on 10q, 11q, 13q,
22q, 6q, and 2p, and
gains on Xp, 1q, 5p, 8q,
and 17p 264,418-427**

FREQUENTLY COEXIST



Decision Making Algorithm for Uterine Smooth Muscle Tumors



94% (157/167) showed at least one genomic abnormality involving TP53, RB1, ATRX, PTEN, CDKN2A or MDM2 with 80% showing alterations in two genes

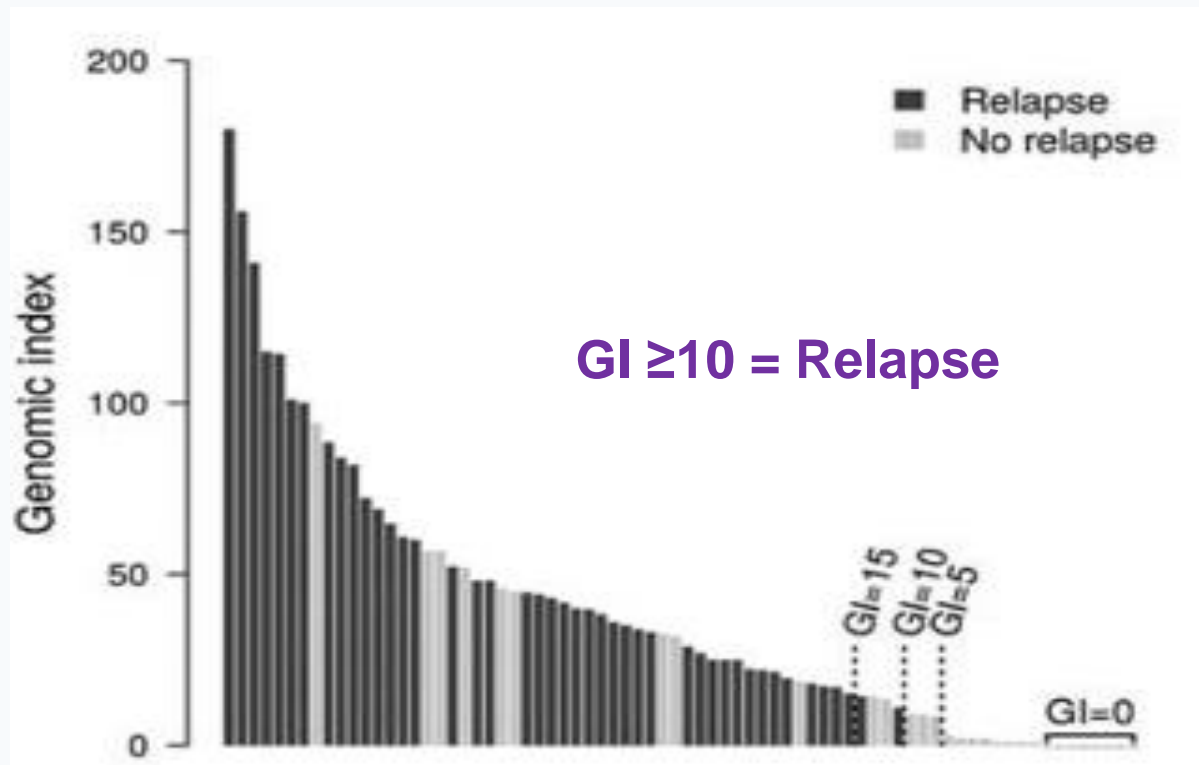
Uterine Leiomyoma

CNV: Stable genome

Uterine Leiomyosarcoma

CNV: Genome instability
(Genomic Scar/HRD)

Smooth Muscle Tumors of Uncertain Malignant Potential (STUMP)

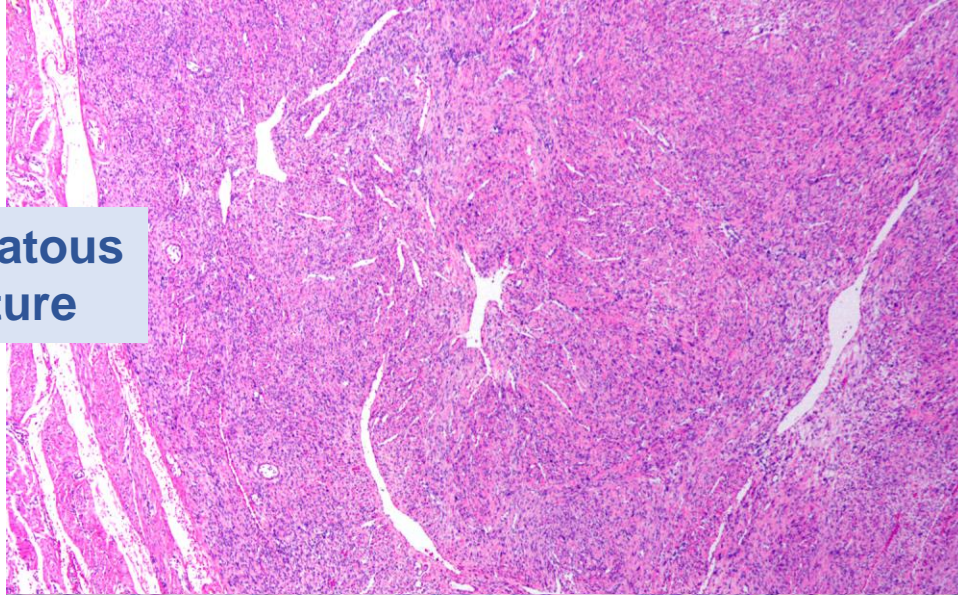


- There is a gradient of **genomic complexity** that correlates with **outcome**
- STUMPs with **genomic index ≥ 10** are reclassified as **“molecular leiomyosarcoma”**

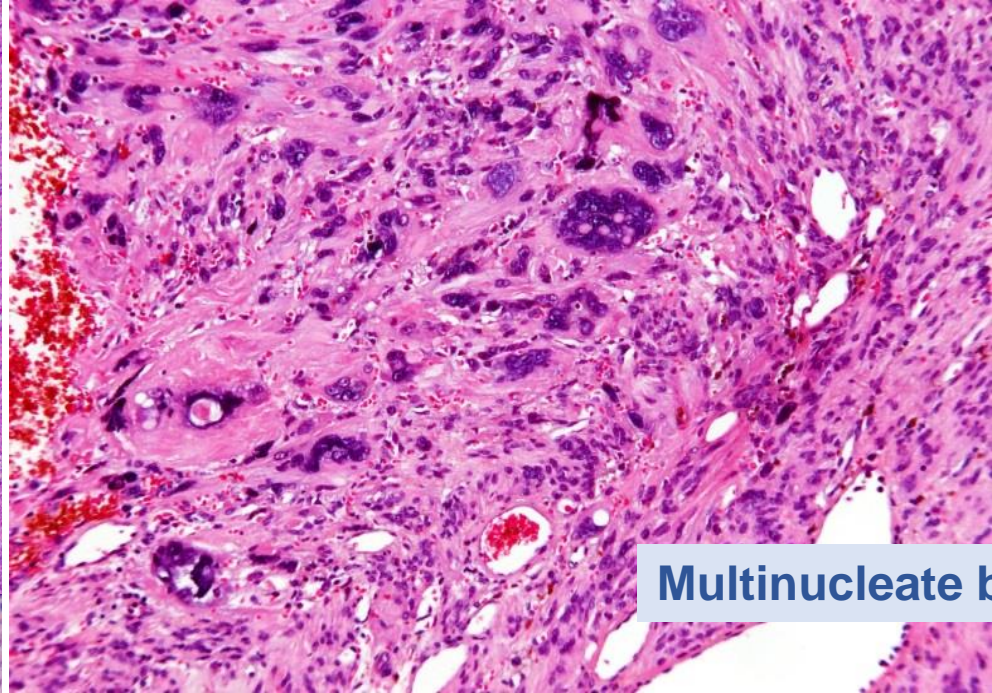
HEREDITARY LEIOMYOMATOSIS AND RENAL CELL CARCINOMA SYNDROME

- **Autosomal dominant**
 - **Multiple pilar leiomyomas of skin**
 - **Uterine leiomyomas (early onset)**
 - **Papillary renal cell carcinoma, high-grade**
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- **Most patients develop leiomyomas**
 - **Only 15-20% develop renal cell carcinoma**

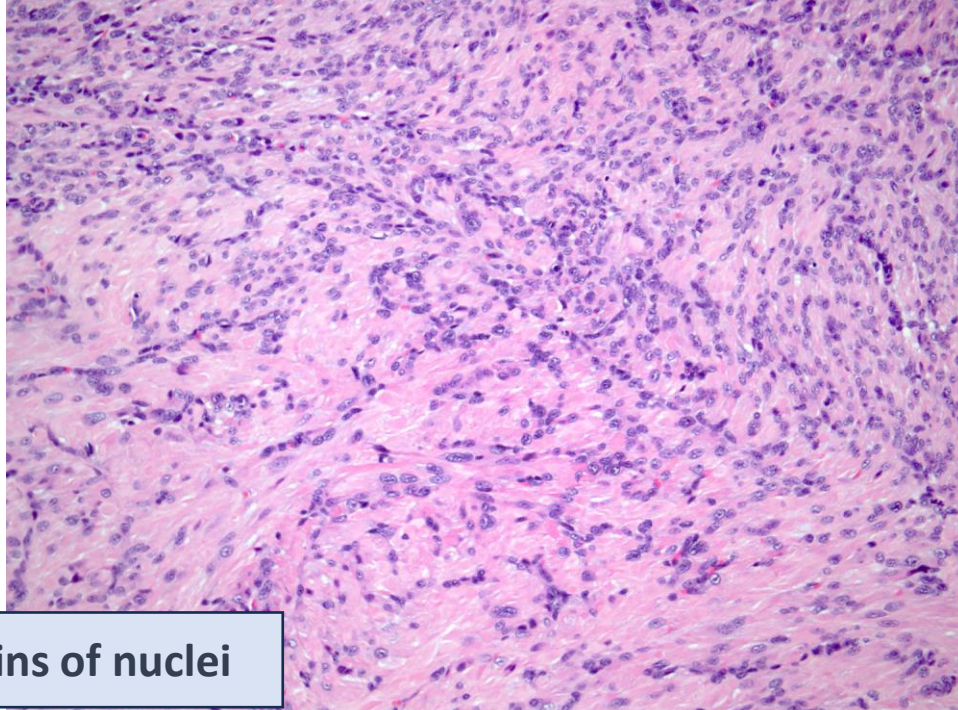
LEIOMYOMATOSIS-RENAL CELL CARCINOMA SYNDROME



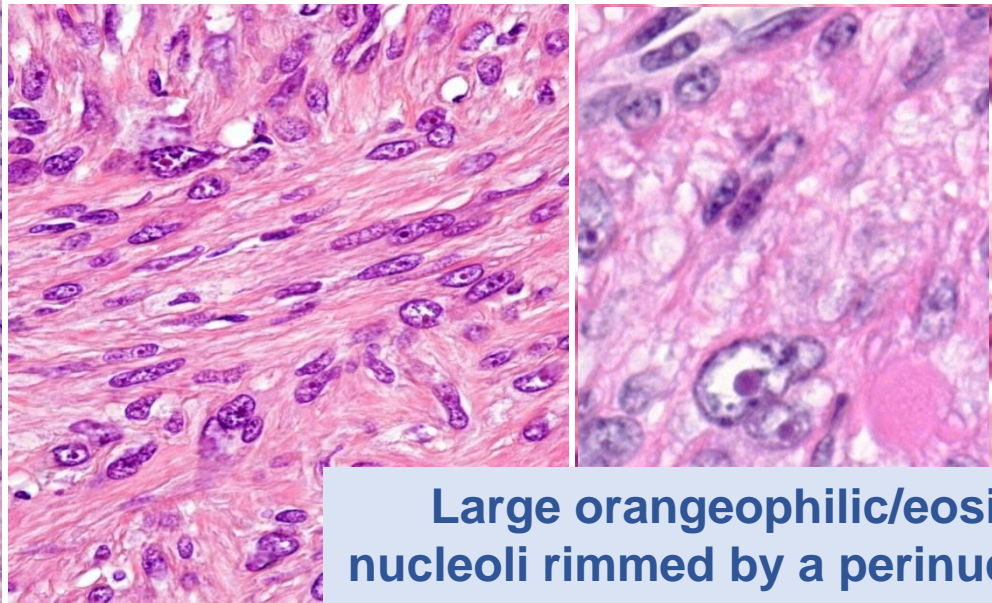
Pericytomatous vasculature



Multinucleate bizarre cells

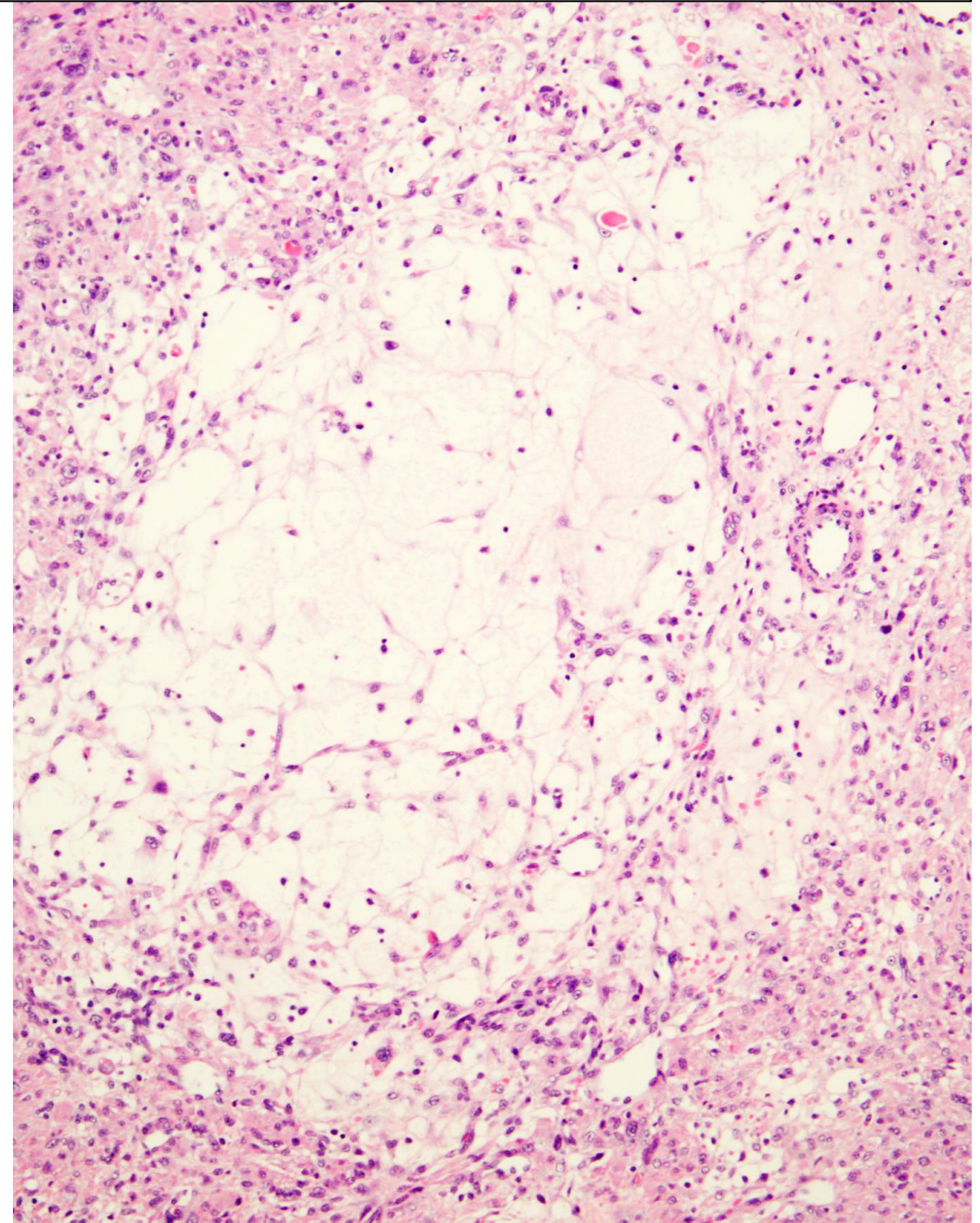
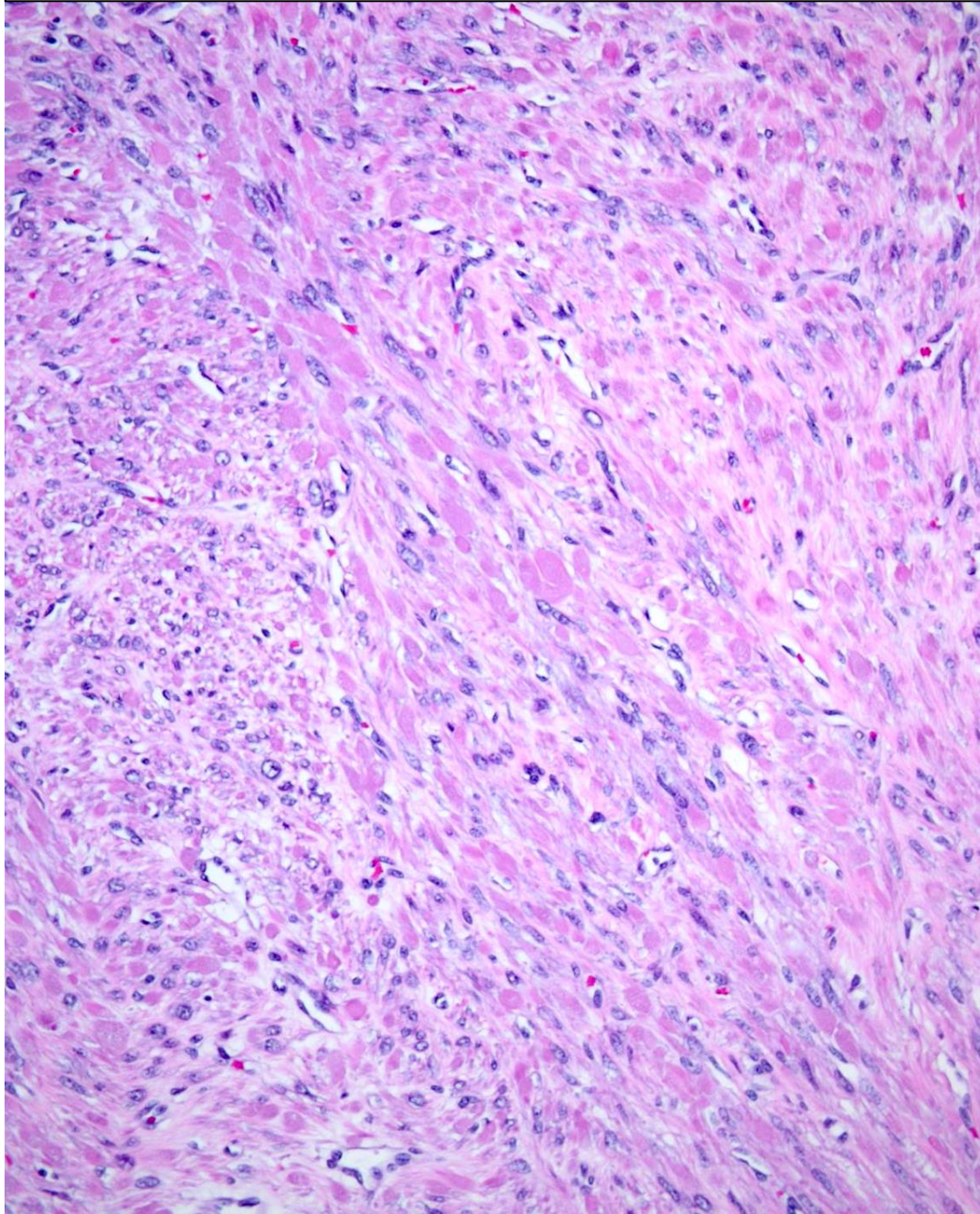


Small chains of nuclei

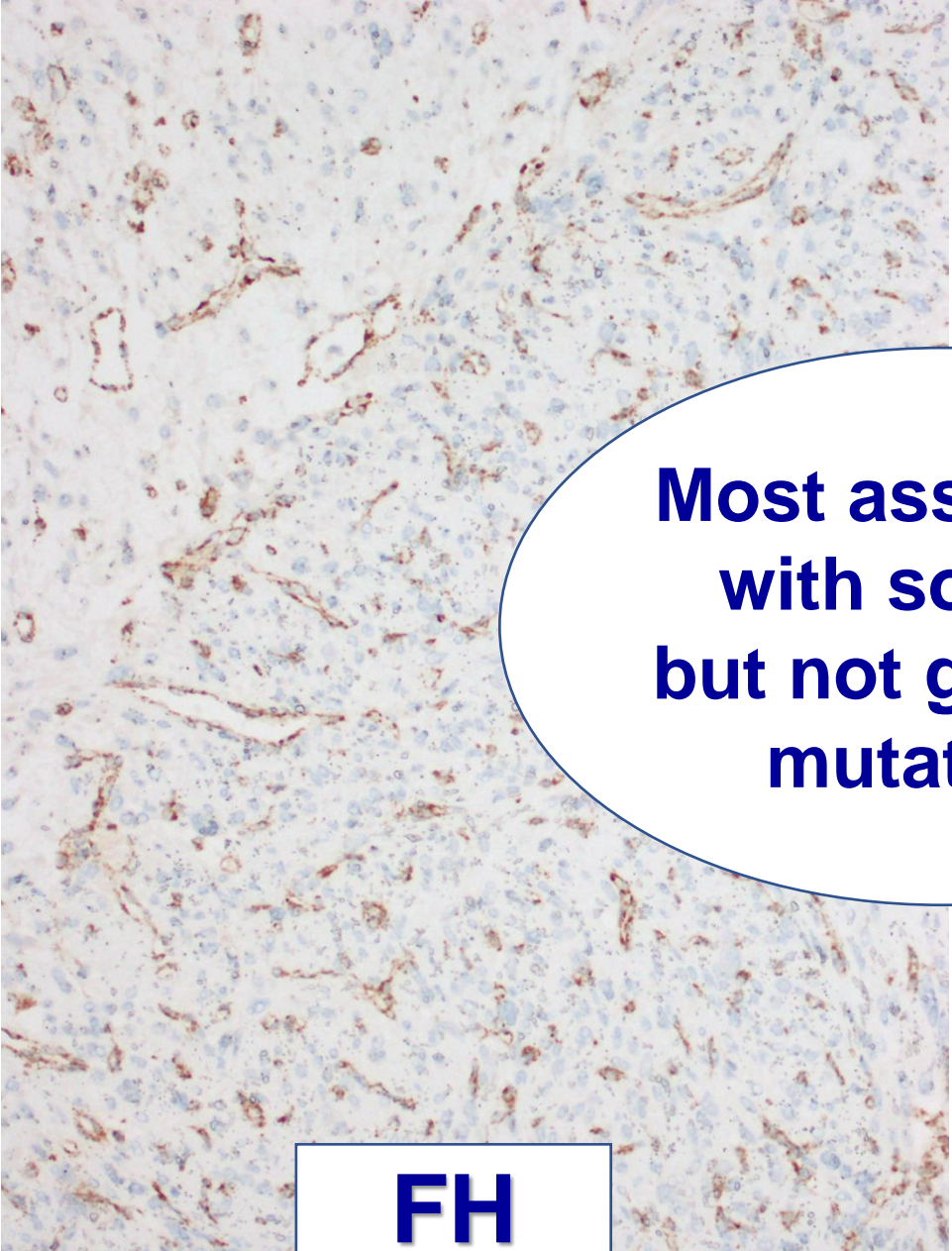


Large orangeophilic/eosinophilic nucleoli rimmed by a perinucleolar halo

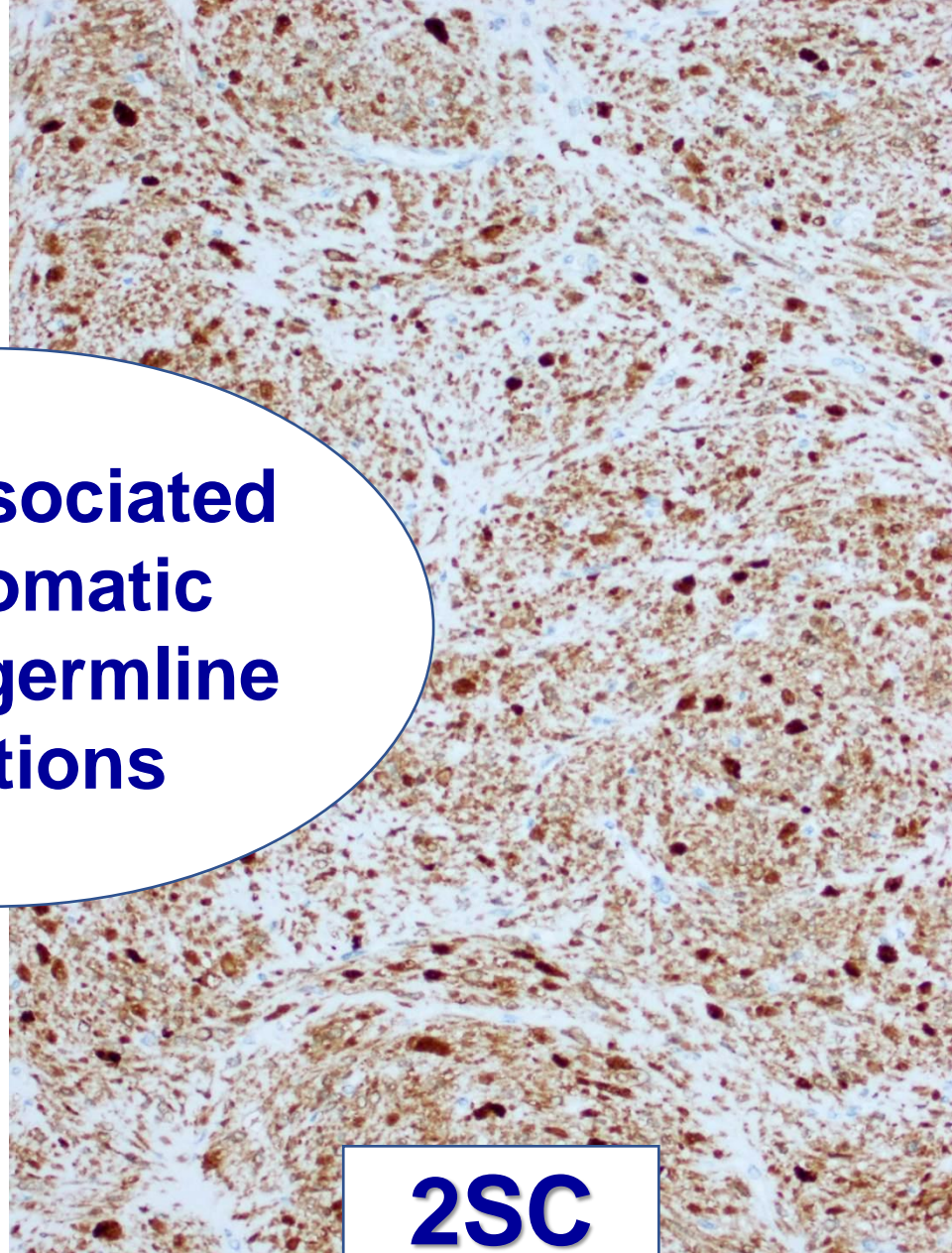
Rhabdoid morphology and Alveolar-type edema



LEIOMYOMA WITH BIZARRE NUCLEI



FH



2SC

**Most associated
with somatic
but not germline
mutations**

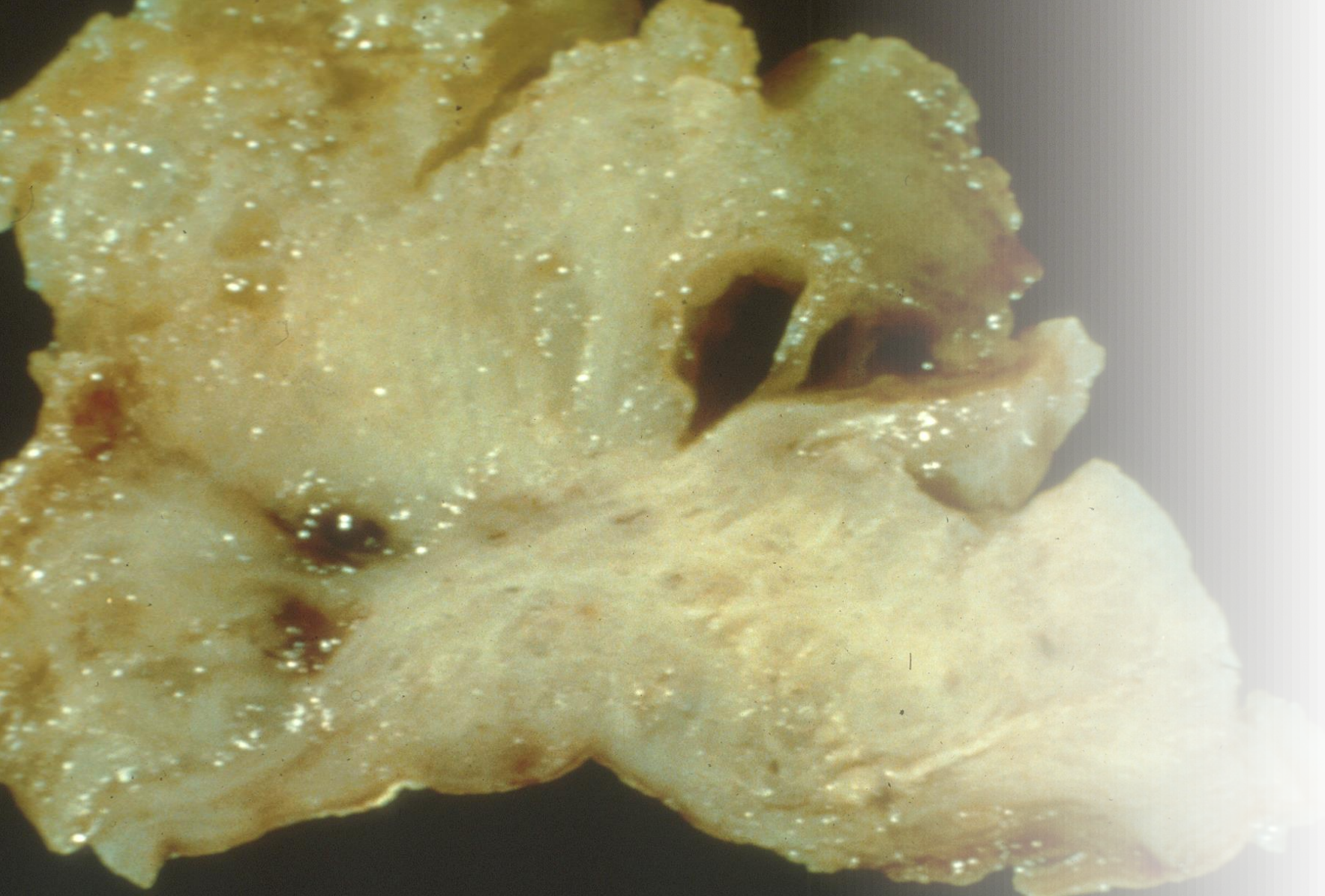
Prospective Detection of Germline Mutation of *Fumarate Hydratase* in Women With Uterine Smooth Muscle Tumors Using Pathology-based Screening to Trigger Genetic Counseling for Hereditary Leiomyomatosis Renal Cell Carcinoma Syndrome

A 5-Year Single Institutional Experience

- U-SMT from 2060 women evaluated for FH-d morphology (staghorn vessels, macronucleoli surrounded by clear halo, eosinophilic globules) in a 5 year period and noted in 30 (1.4%)
- 10/30 elected FH genetic testing and 6/10 had a germline mutation
- Abnormal FH expression was not very reliable to trigger genetic counseling with no difference in incidence of pathogenic FH germline mutation between FH-d morphology U-SMT with abnormal vs normal FH expression
- Morphologic screening confirmed genetic diagnosis of HLRCC syndrome in 0.24% of all women (24-40 years) with any type of U-SMT (BN and conventional); thus, *morphology-based screening with genetic counseling referral can result in diagnosis of HLRCC syndrome in unselected women with U-SMT*

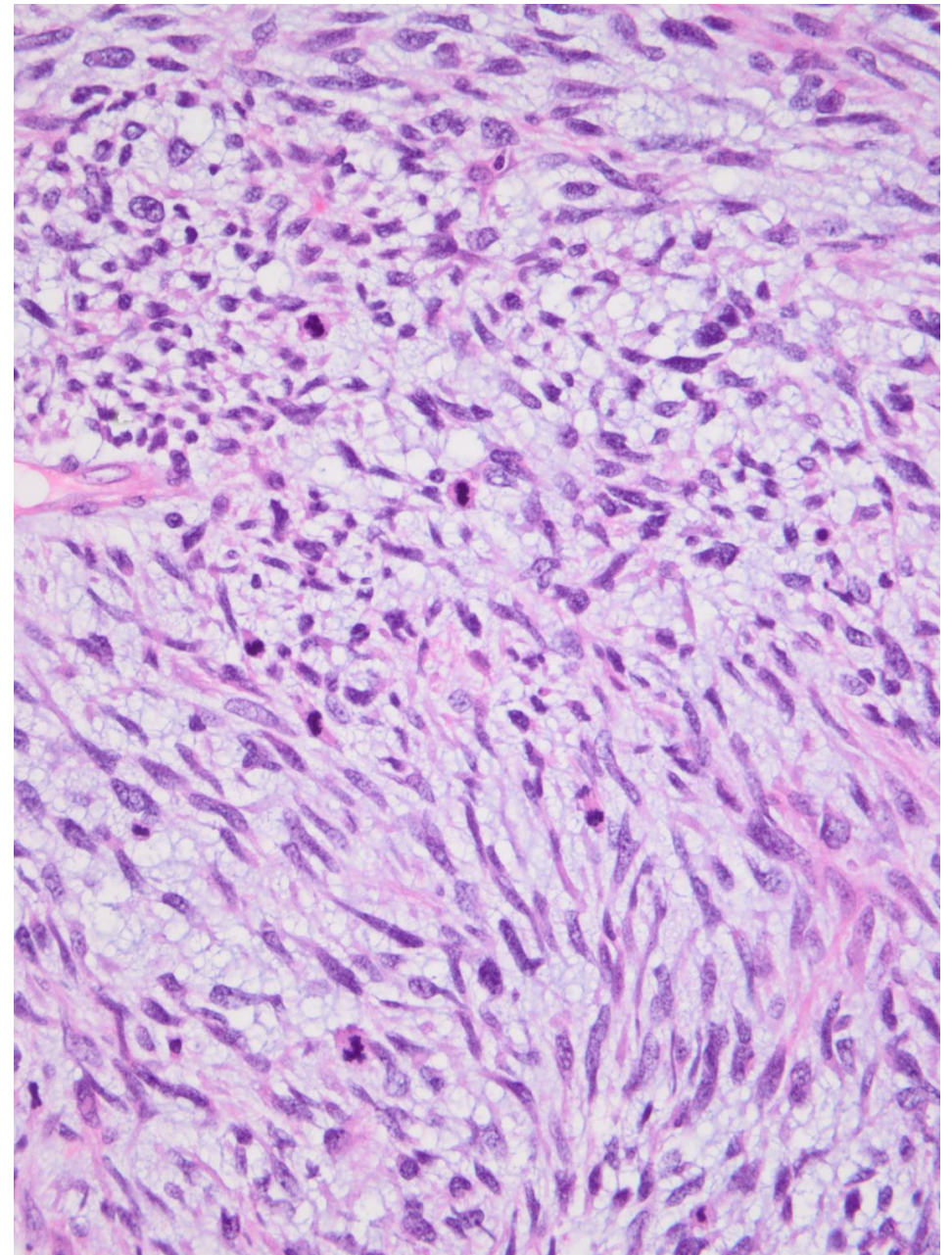
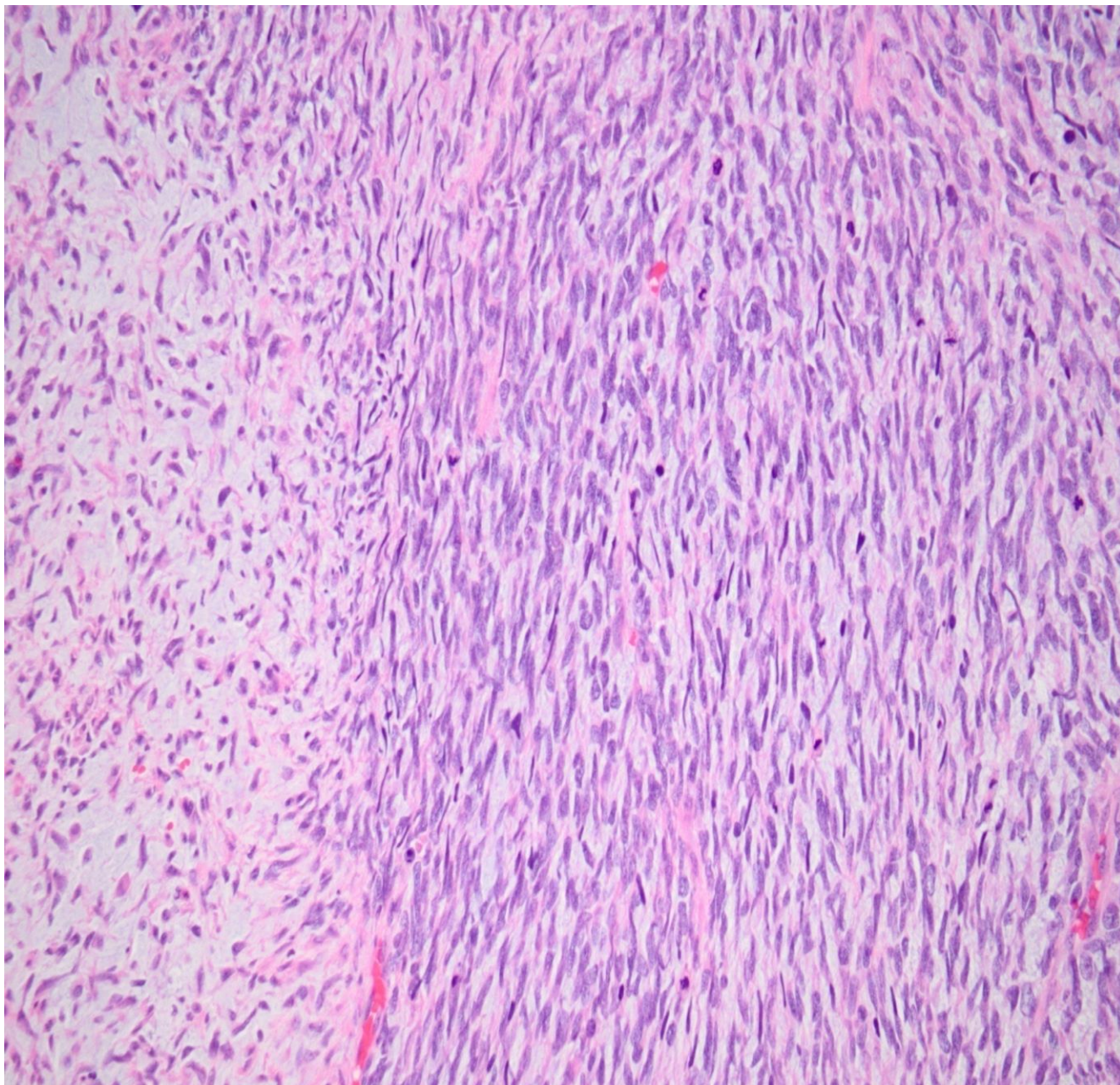
BLURB:

Although these features may be seen in leiomyomas that are part of Hereditary Leiomyomatosis and Renal Cell Cancer (HLRCC) Syndrome, in most cases tumors are sporadic. Genetic consultation and additional testing may be indicated if clinical suspicion is high.



**MYXOID
LEIOMYOSARCOMA**



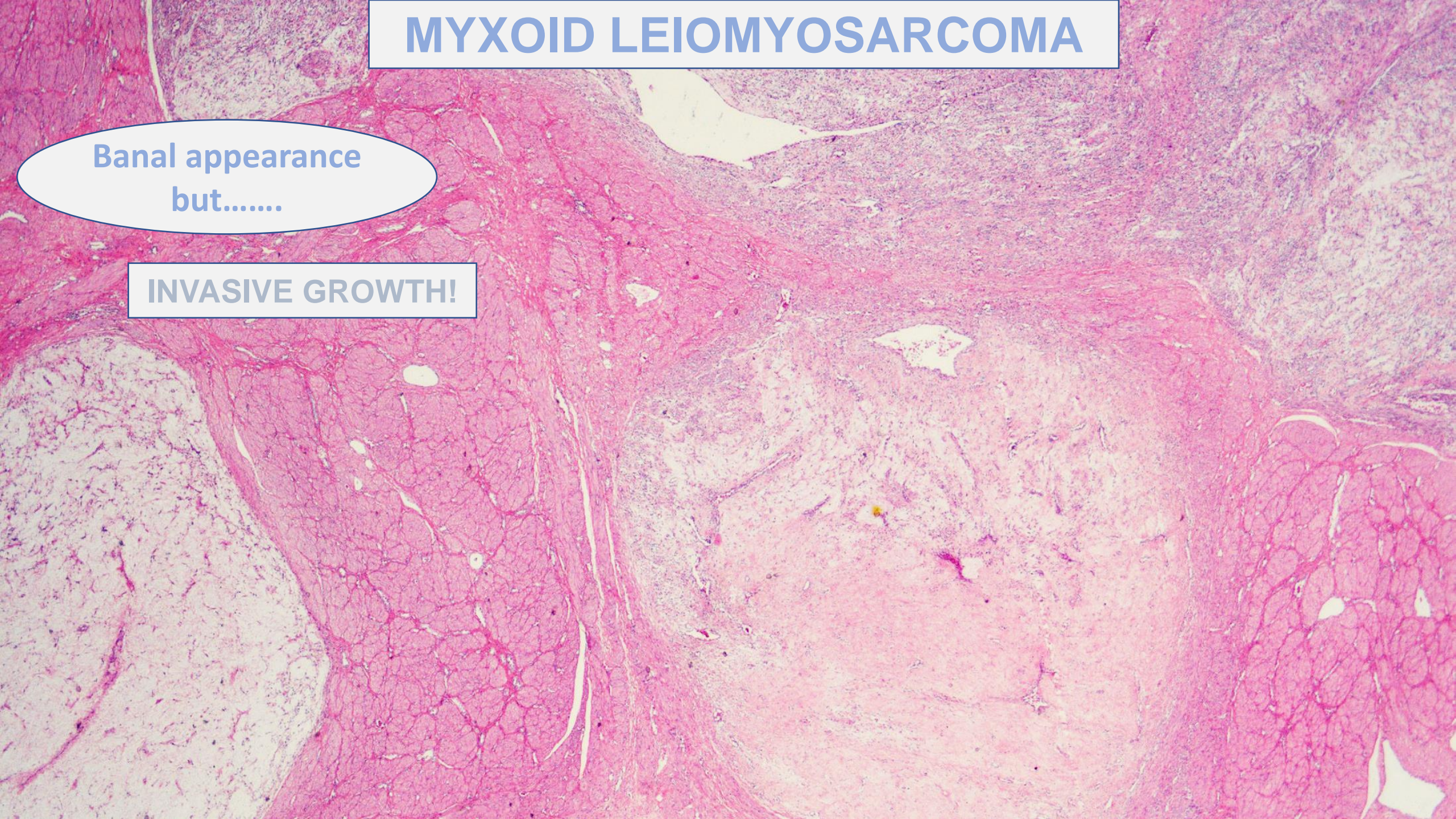


Threshold to diagnose myxoid LMS ranges from >30 to $>60\%$

MYXOID LEIOMYOSARCOMA

Banal appearance
but.....

INVASIVE GROWTH!



Myxoid Smooth Muscle Tumors

Atkins K et al., Modern Pathol 132A, 2001

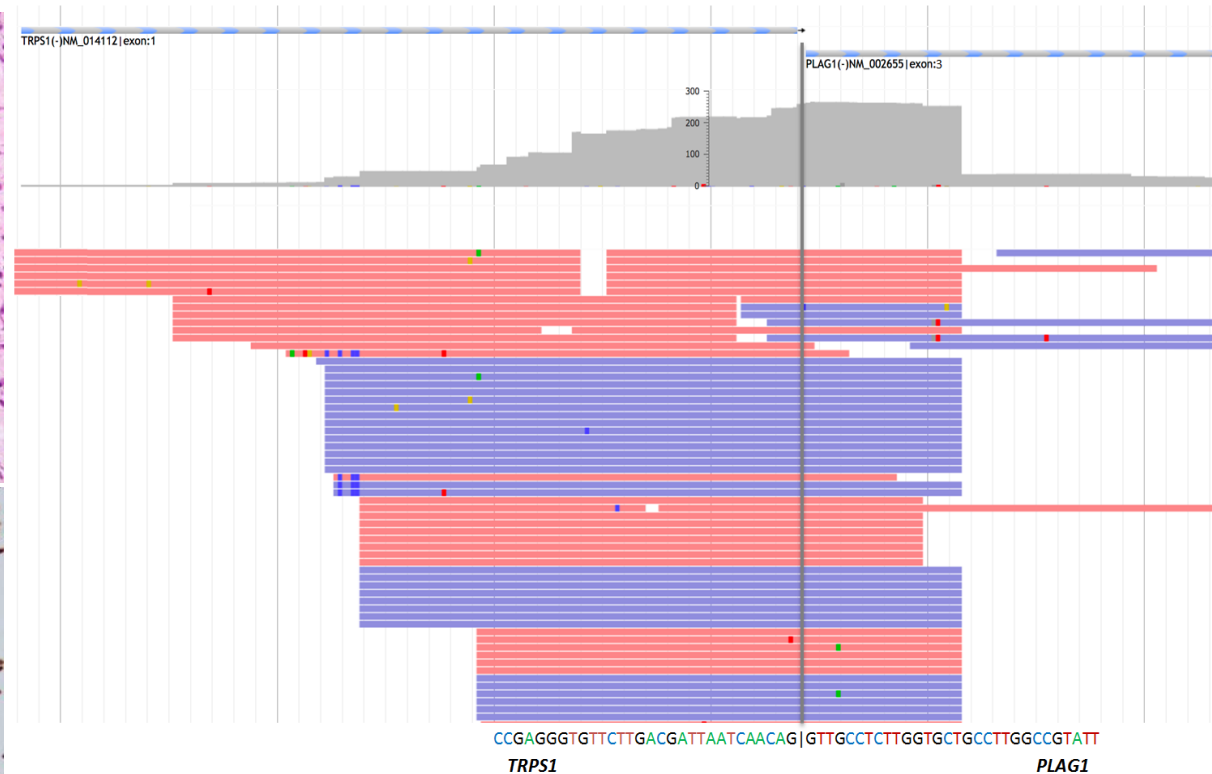
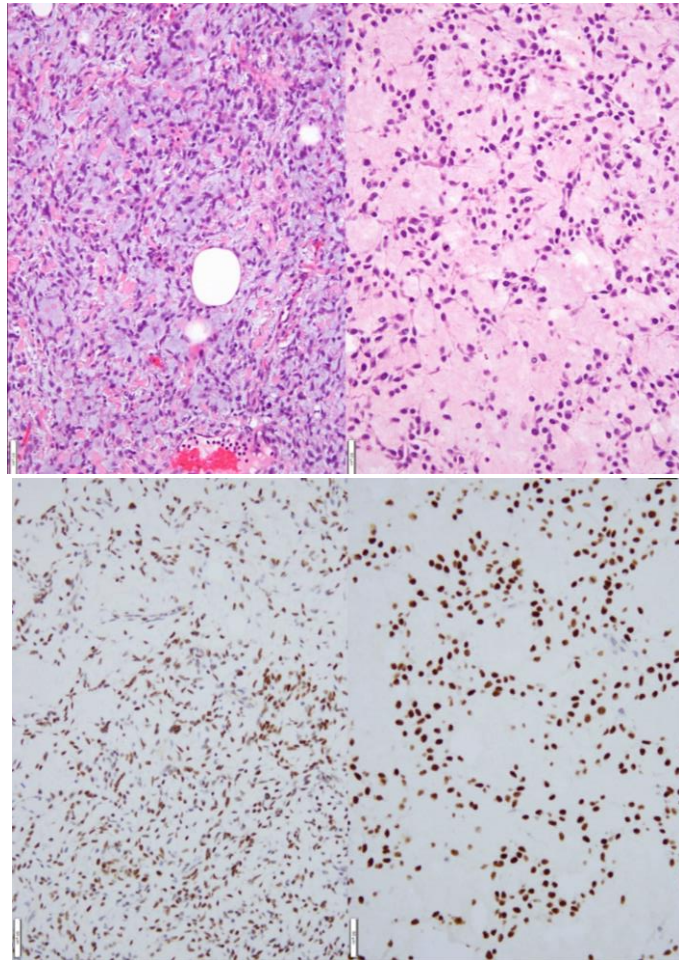
- Presence of tumor cell necrosis or severe cytologic atypia warrant the diagnosis of malignancy
- In the absence of tumor cell necrosis or severe cytologic atypia, **a mitotic index of >2/10HPFs** is indicative of malignant behavior

Parra-Herran C et al, Am J Surg Pathol 2016;40:285

Goh R et al, Modern Pathol 2016, 29, suppl2, 285A

Tumors with < 2mitoses/10 HPFs may also be associated with an aggressive behavior

Novel PLAG1 Gene Rearrangement Distinguishes a Subset of Uterine Myxoid Leiomyosarcomas From Other Uterine Myxoid Mesenchymal Tumors



TRPS1-PLAG1 fusion > RAD51B-PLAG1 fusion (NGS/FISH)

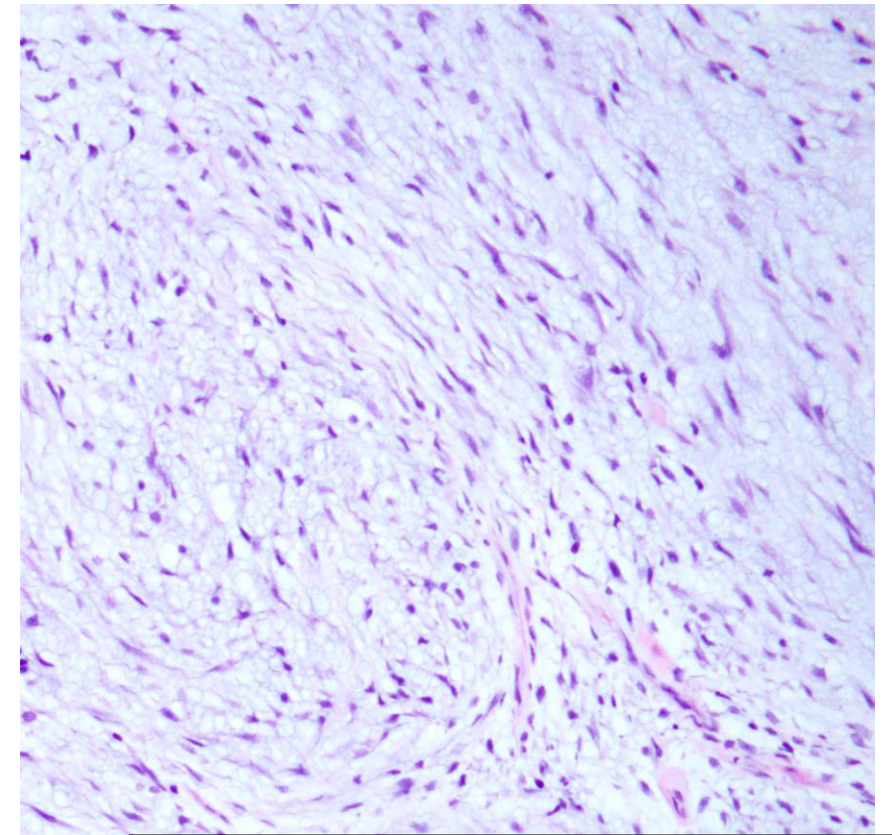
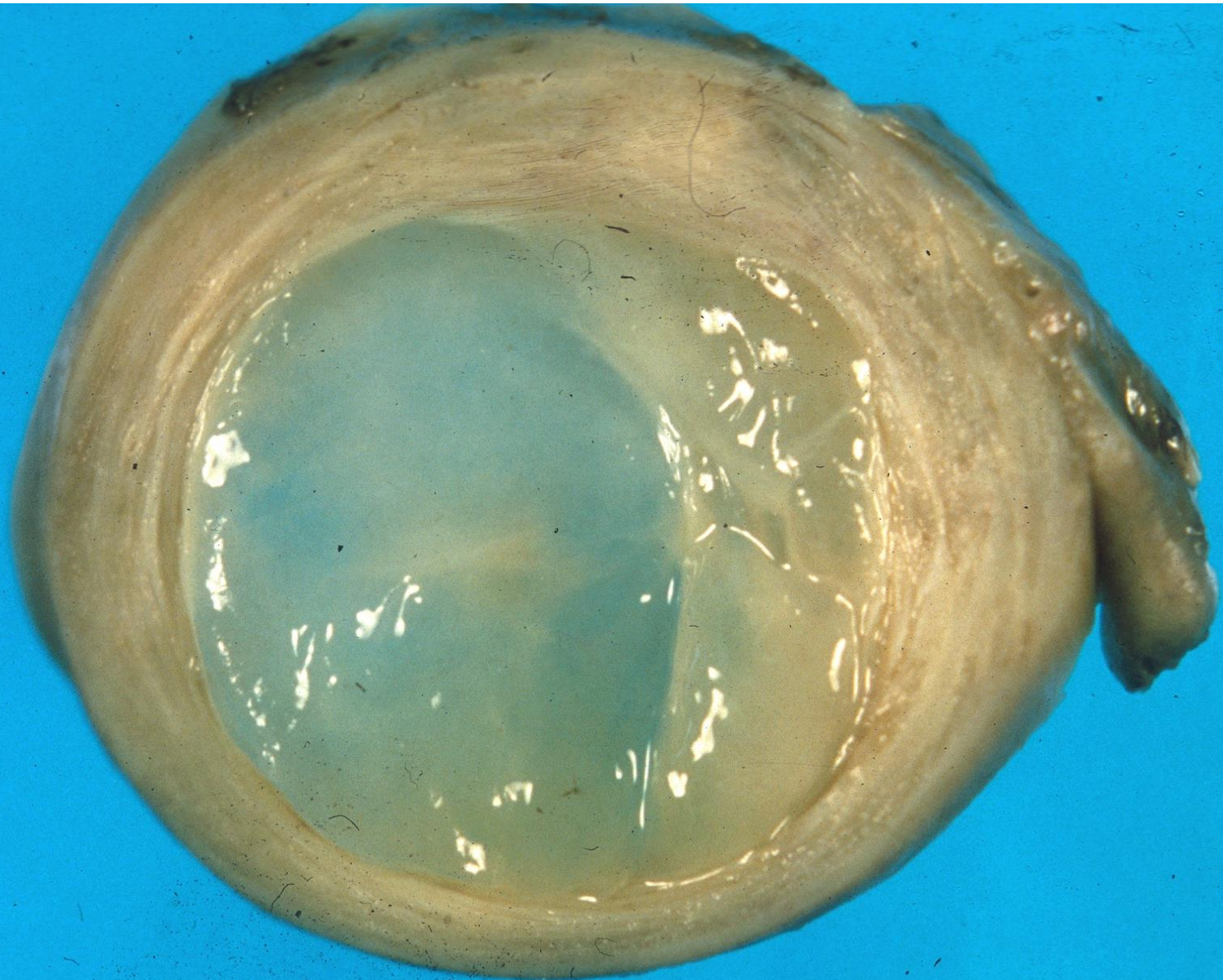
Arias Stella JA et al, Am J Surg Pathol 2019; 43:382-388

No distinctive morphologic features

UTERINE MYXOID LESIONS

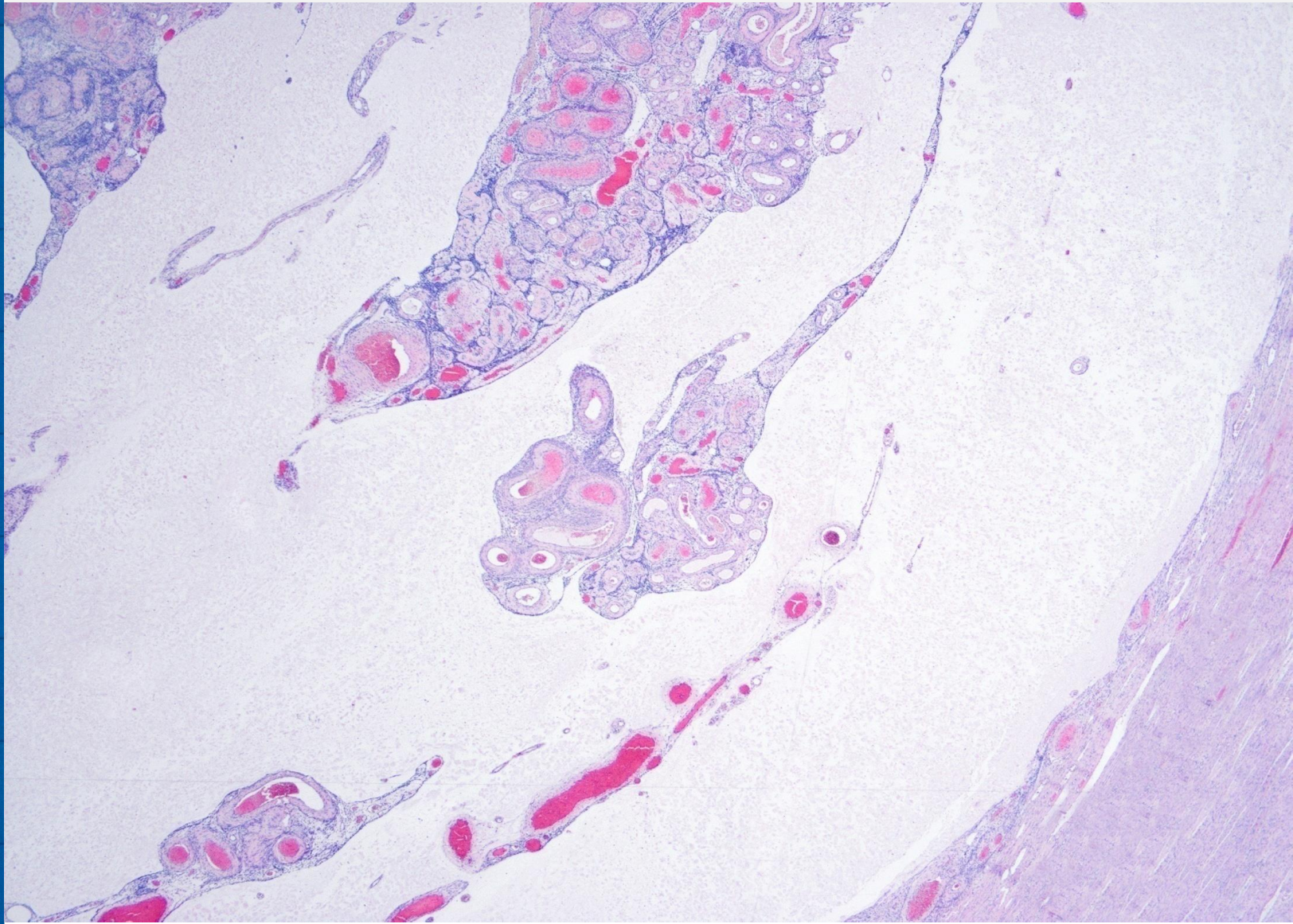
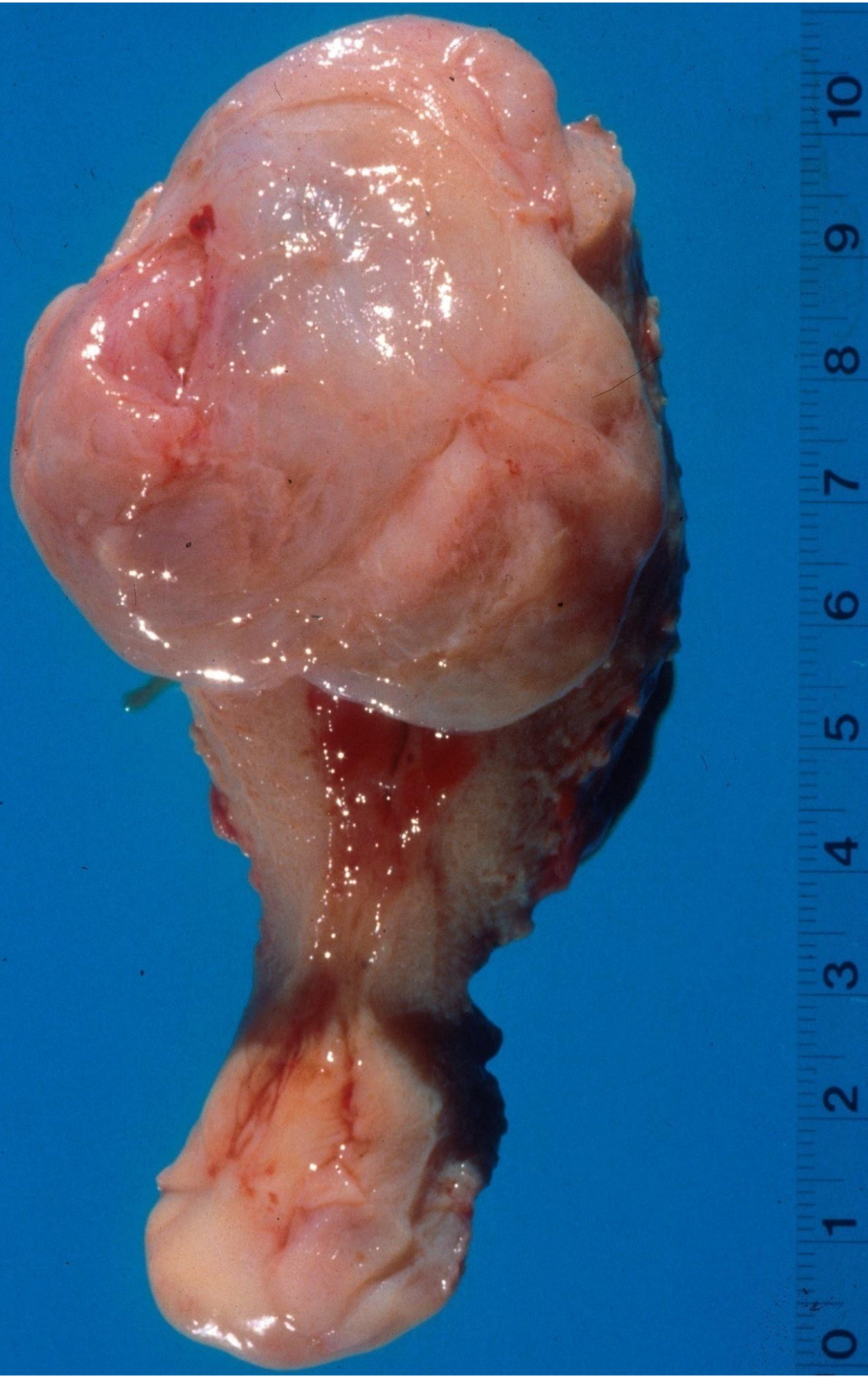
- **Myxoid change in leiomyoma (conventional, in pregnancy, or apoplectic)**
- **Myxoid smooth muscle tumors**
 - **Benign (rare)**
 - **Malignant (uncommon)**
- **Inflammatory myofibroblastic tumor**
- **Endometrial stromal tumors**
 - **Low-grade fibromyxoid (uncommon)**
 - **BCOR high-grade (rare)**
- **Other: Embryonal rhabdomyosarcoma, liposarcoma, solitary fibrous tumor, NTRK sarcomas, fibroblastic sarcomas with features of malignant nerve sheath tumor, sarcomas with GLI1 gene alterations....**
- **Myxoidosis or myxoid change in uterine wall**

MYXOID LEIOMYOMA <5 cm



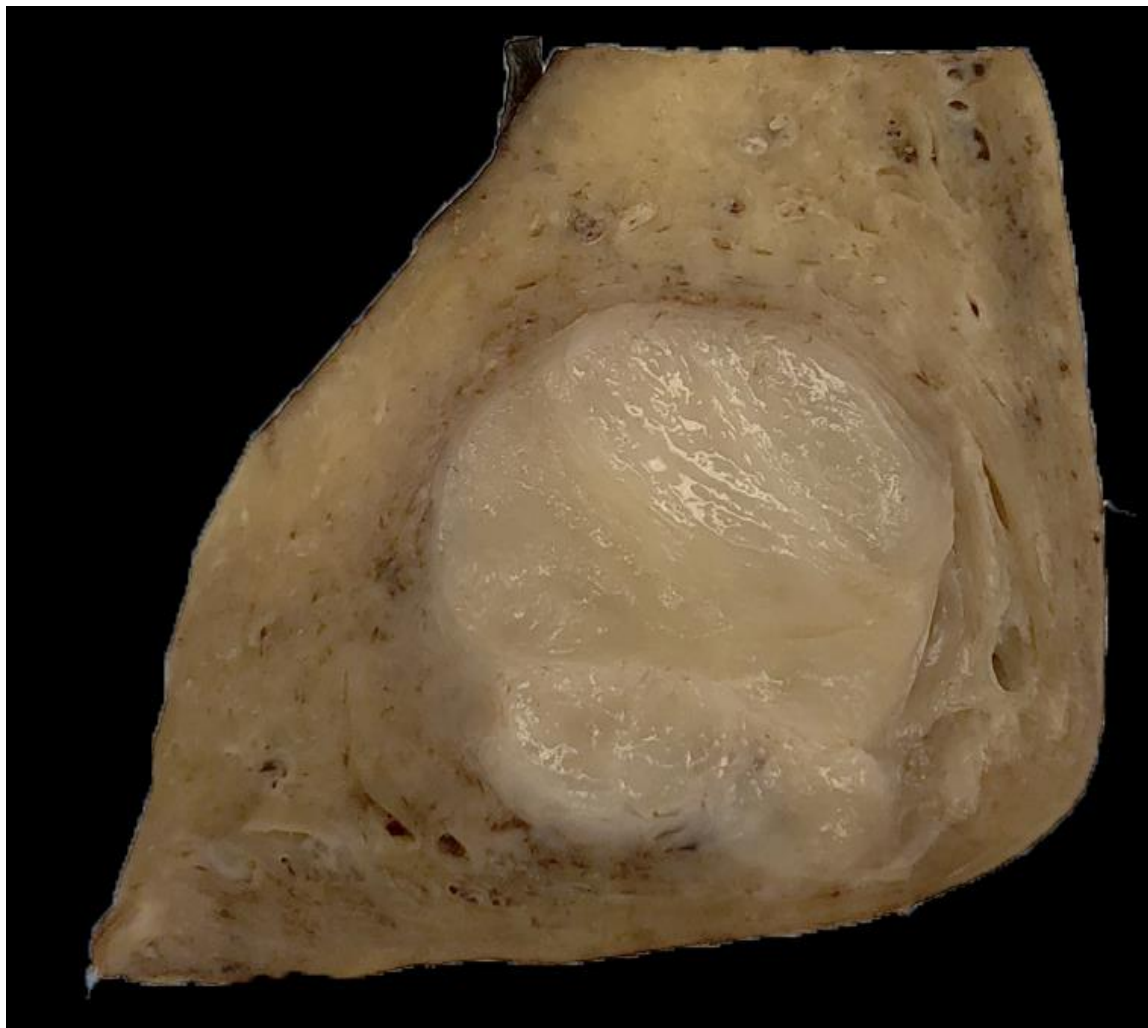
WELL- CIRCUMSCRIBED
NO CYTOLOGIC ATYPIA
NO MITOSES

LEIOMYOMA WITH HYDROPIIC CHANGE

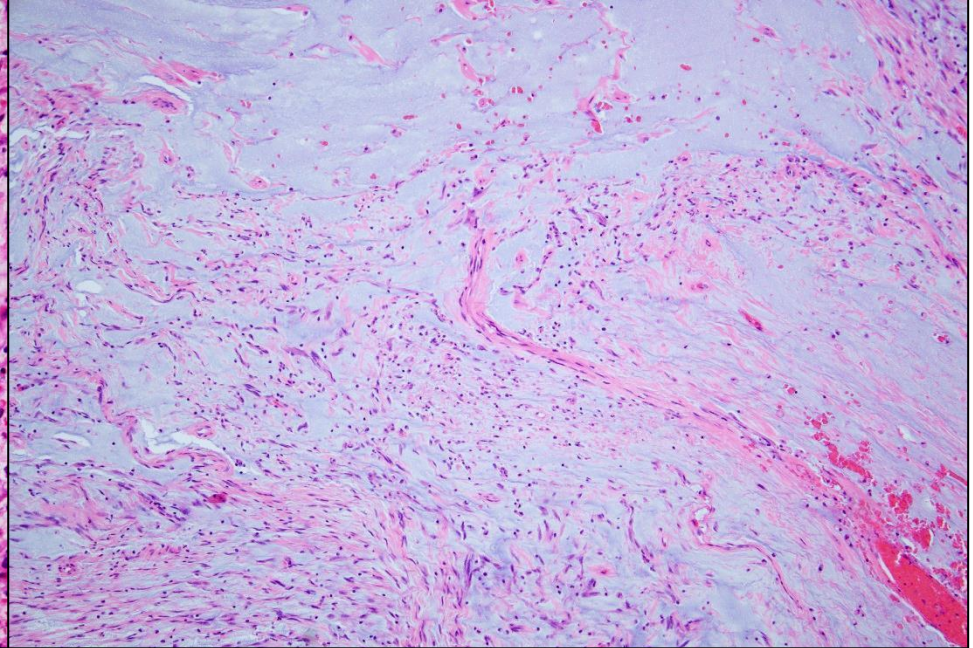
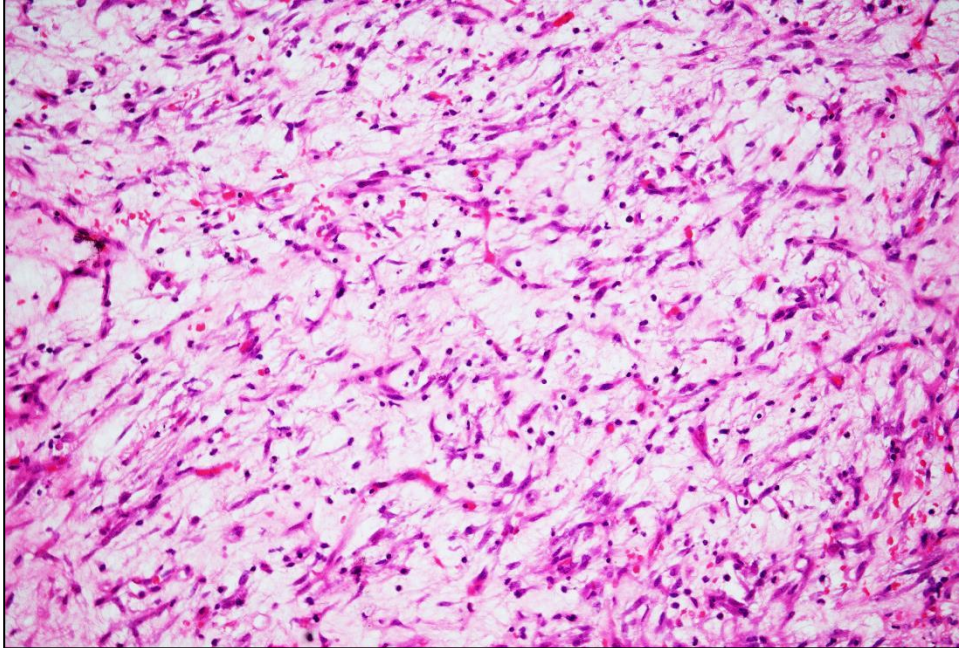


**WATERY FLUID=EDEMA:
ALCIAN BLUE NEGATIVE**

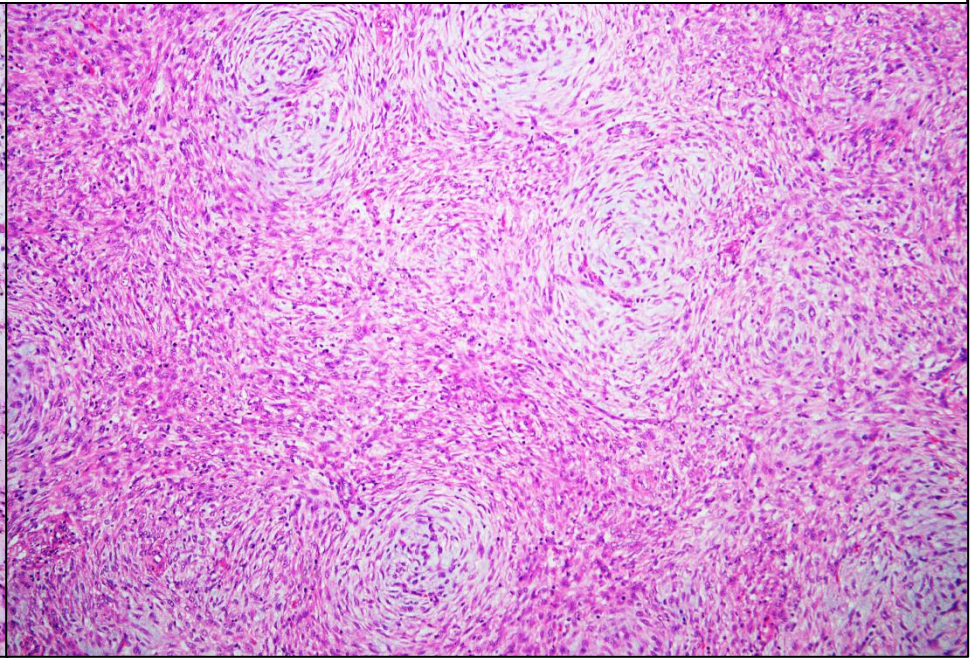
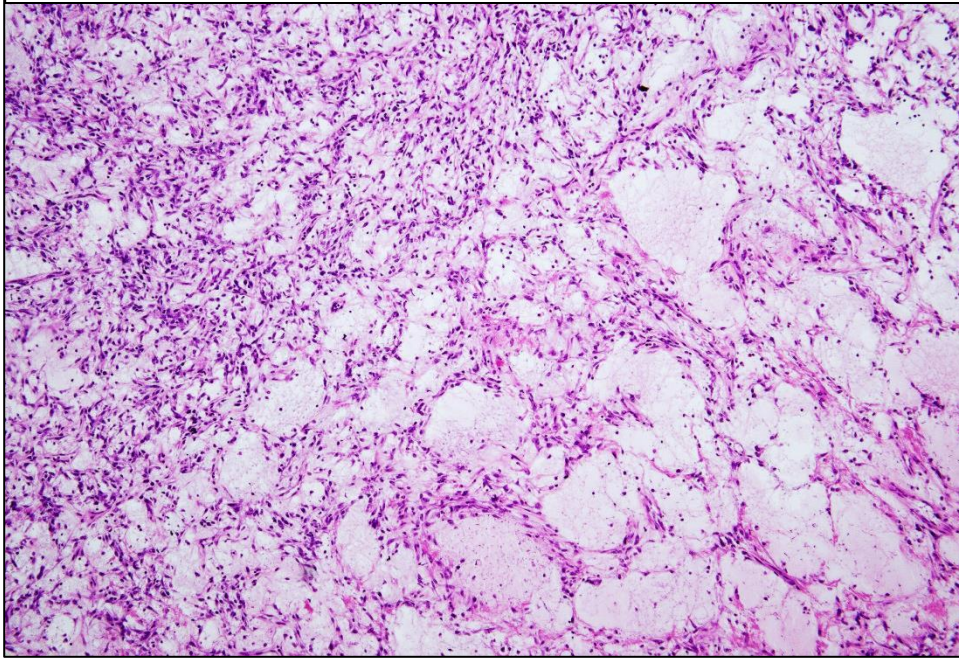
INFLAMMATORY MYOFIBROBLASTIC TUMOR



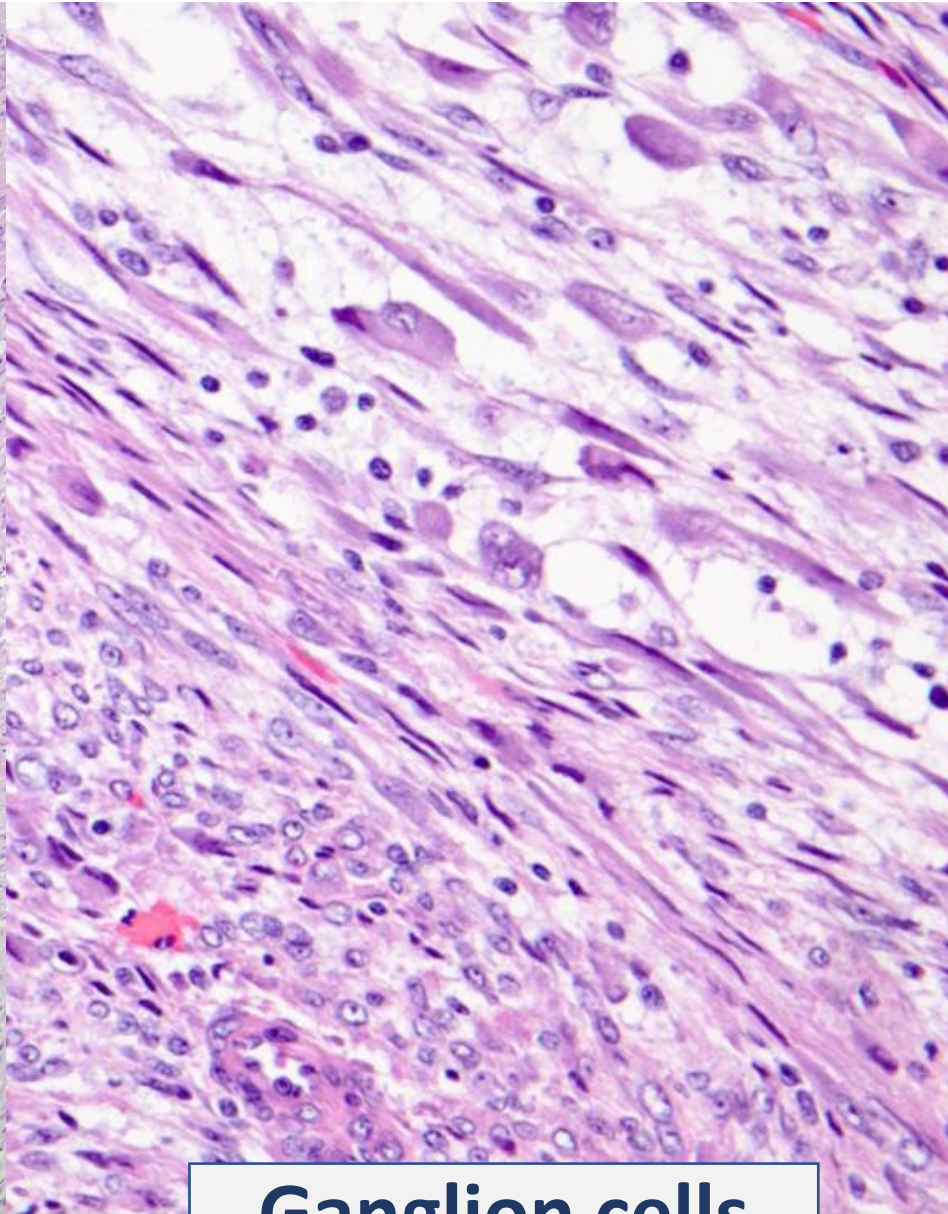
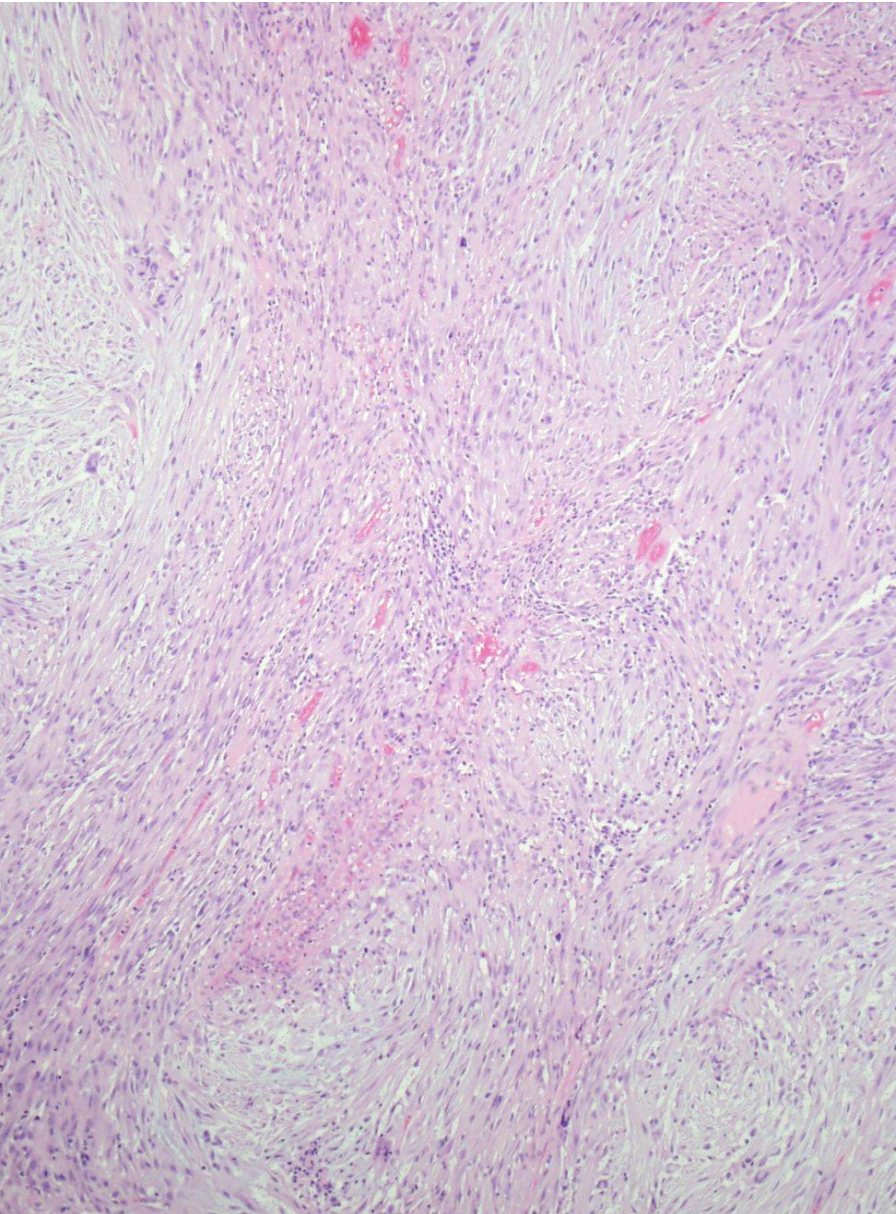
May be strikingly myxoid



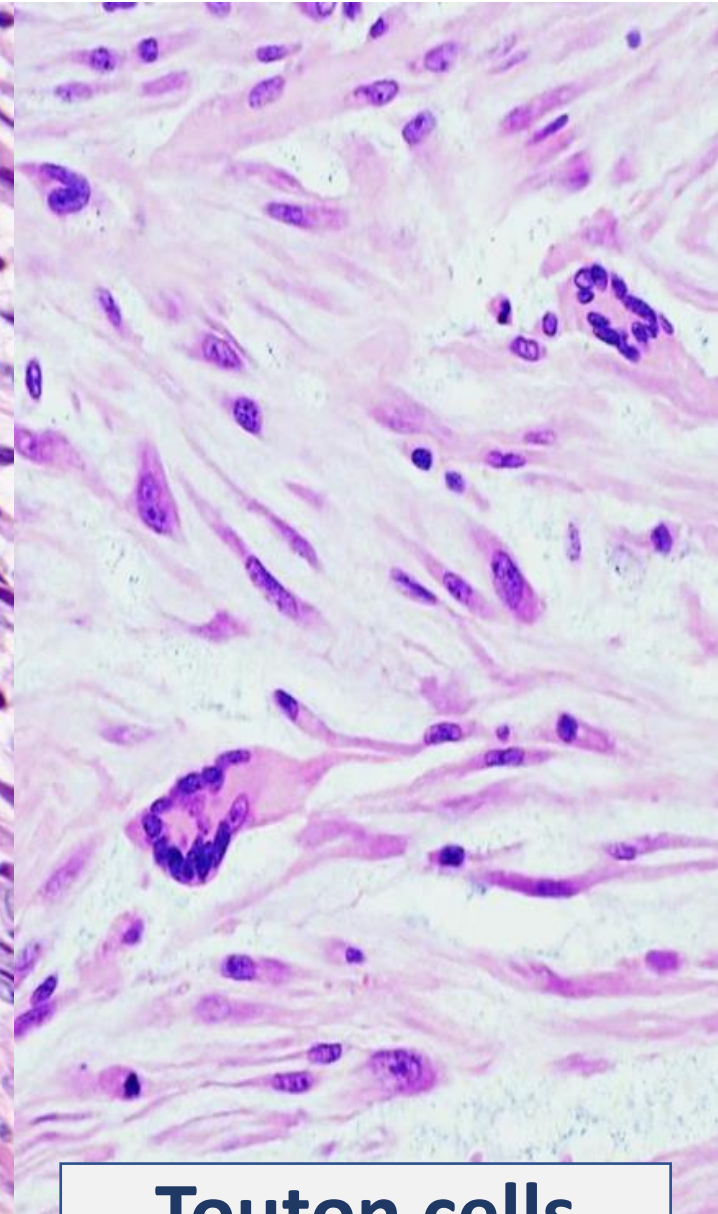
Myxoid appearances



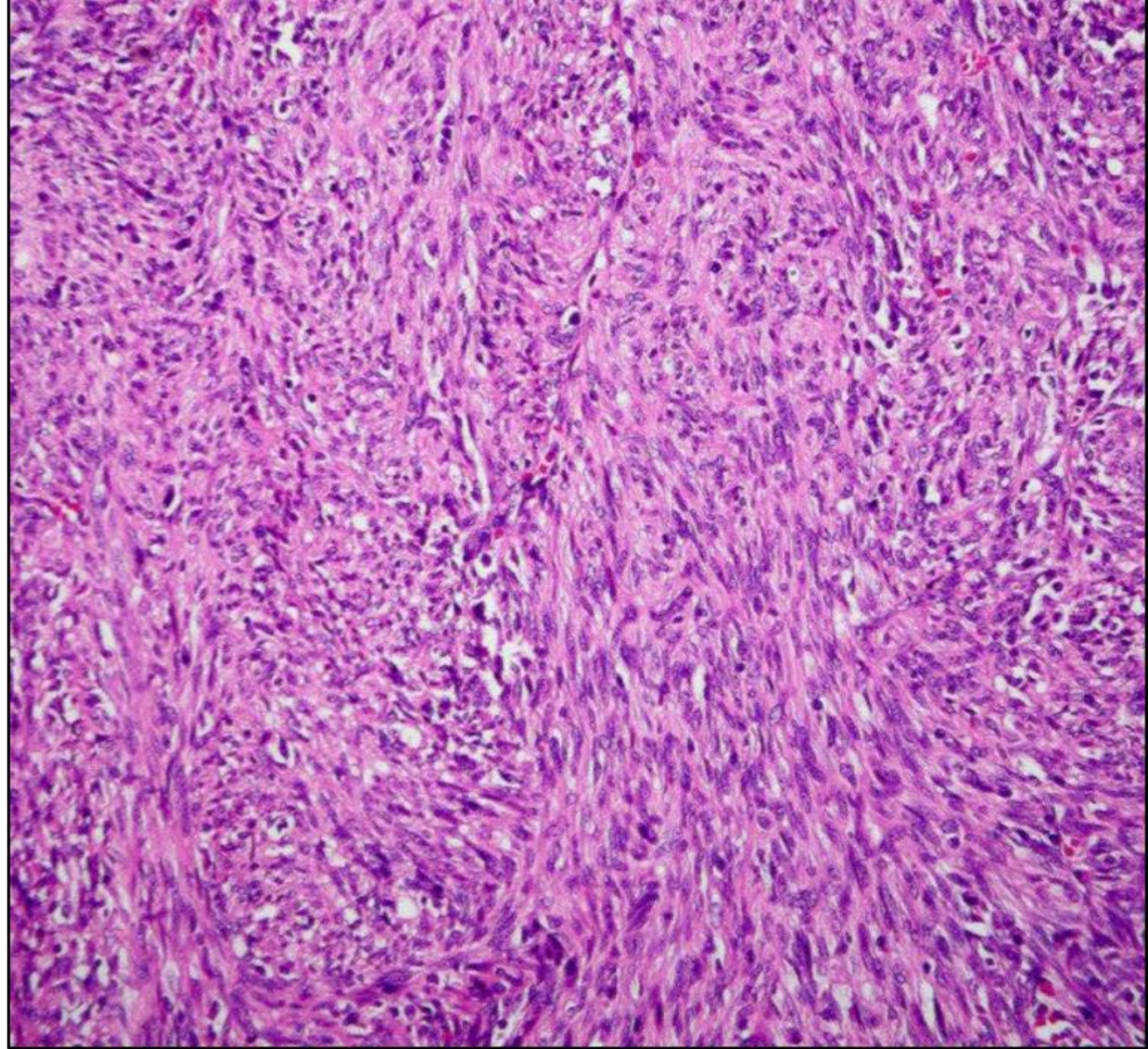
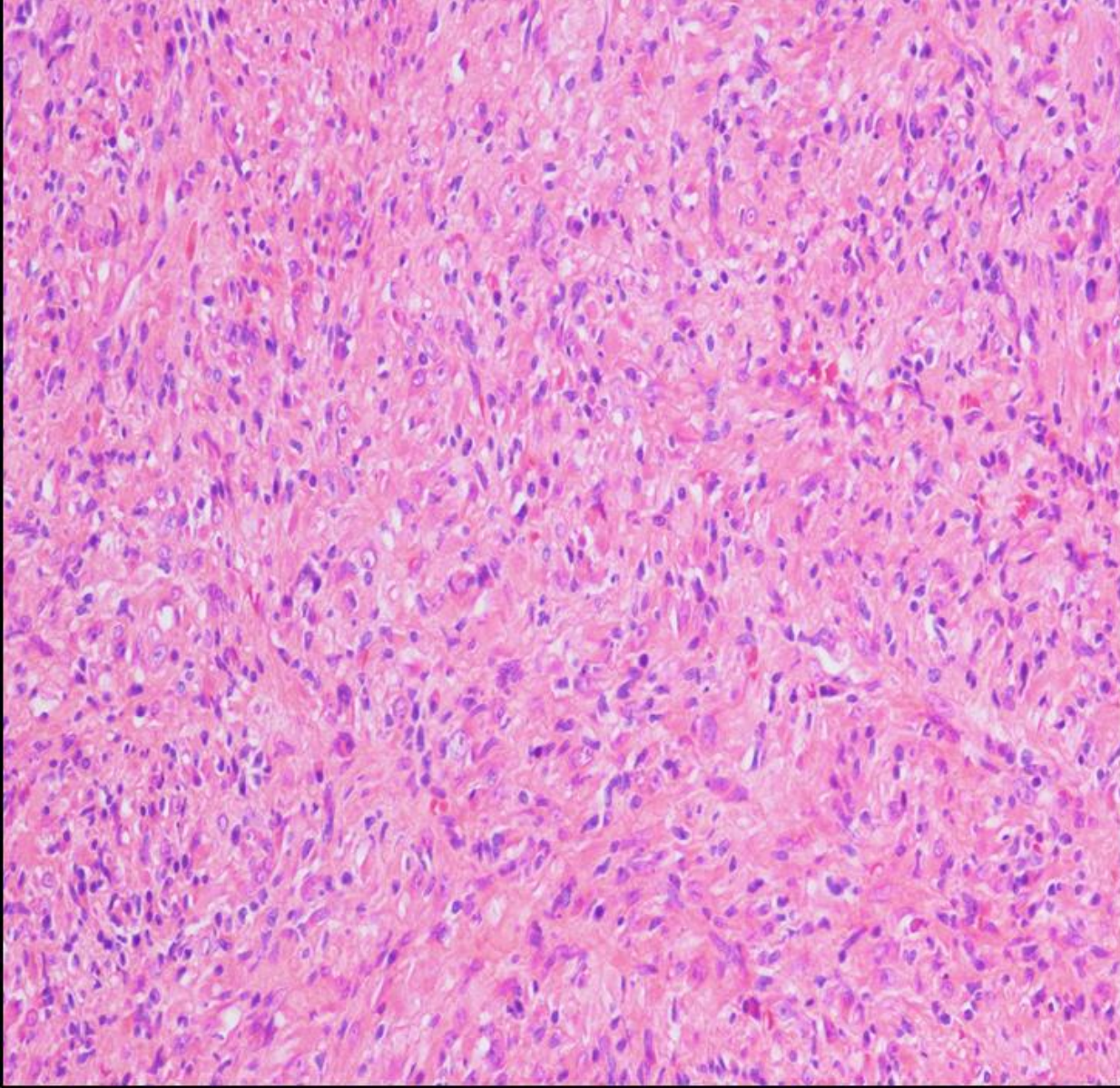
INFLAMMATORY MYOFIBROBLASTIC TUMOR



Ganglion cells



Touton cells



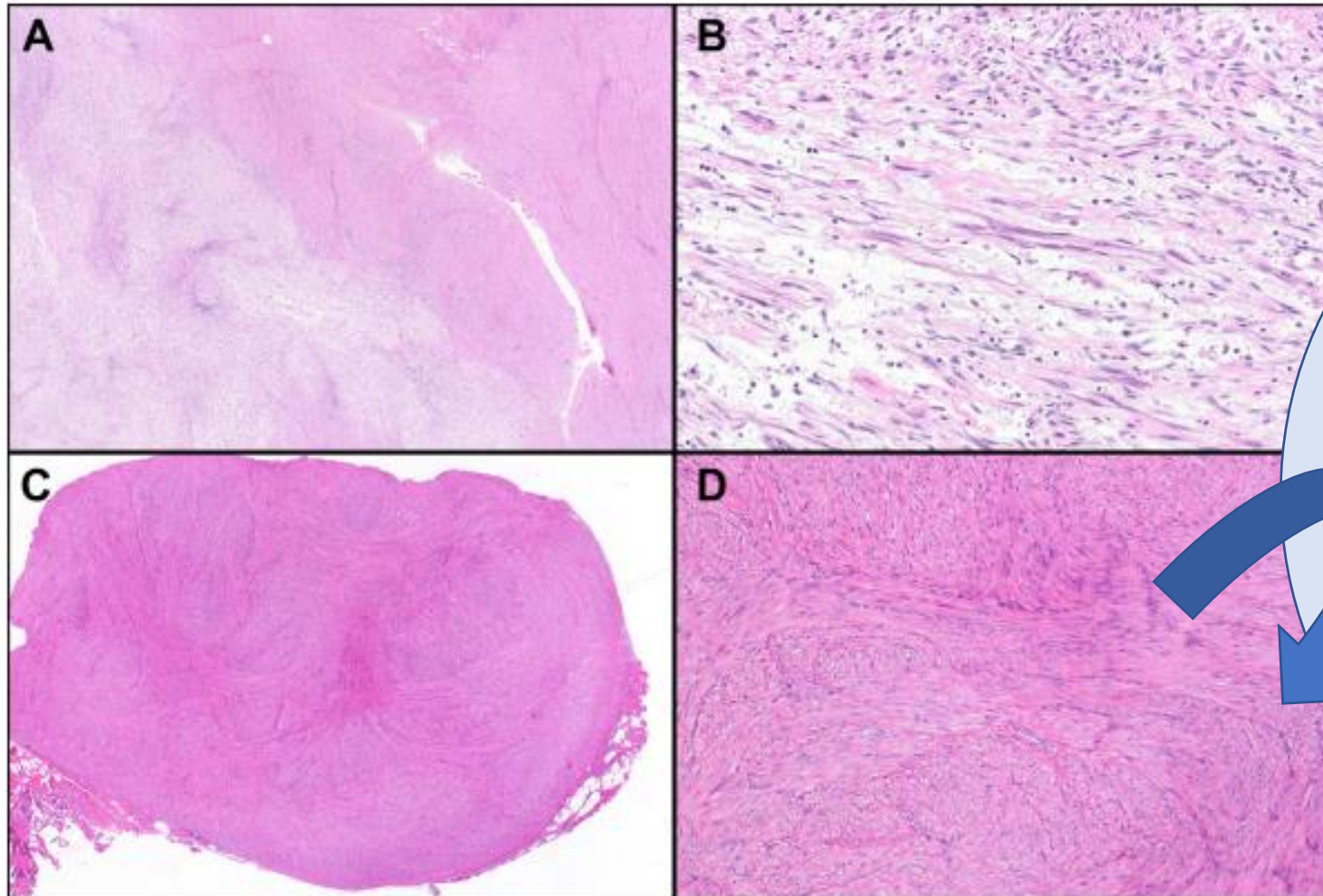
Be aware of smooth muscle-like appearance!

Leiomyoma-like Morphology in Metastatic Uterine Inflammatory Myofibroblastic Tumors

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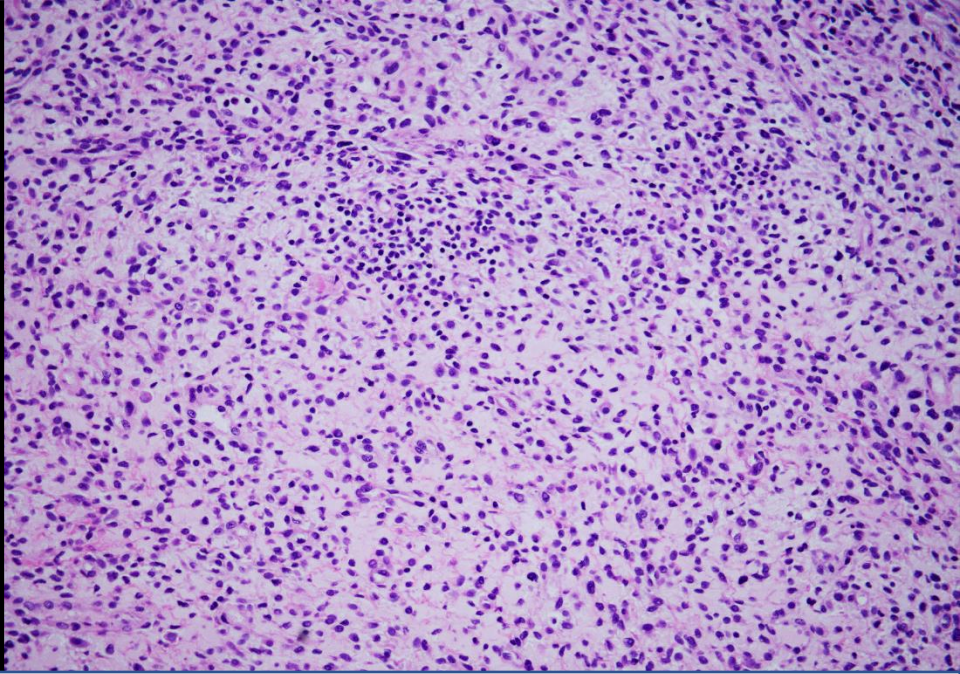
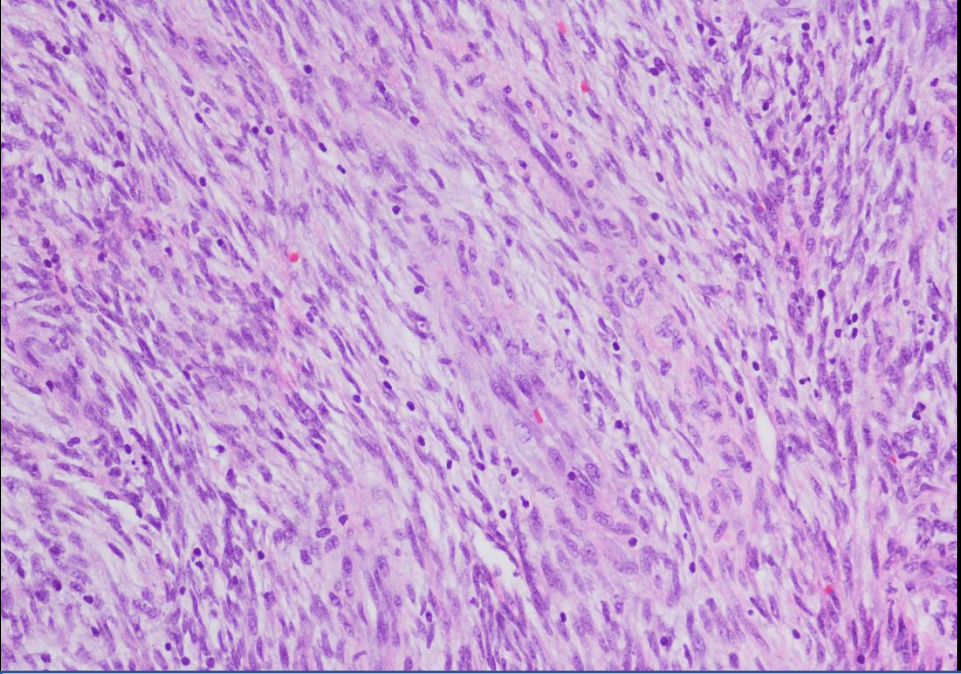
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Also reported in primary tumors

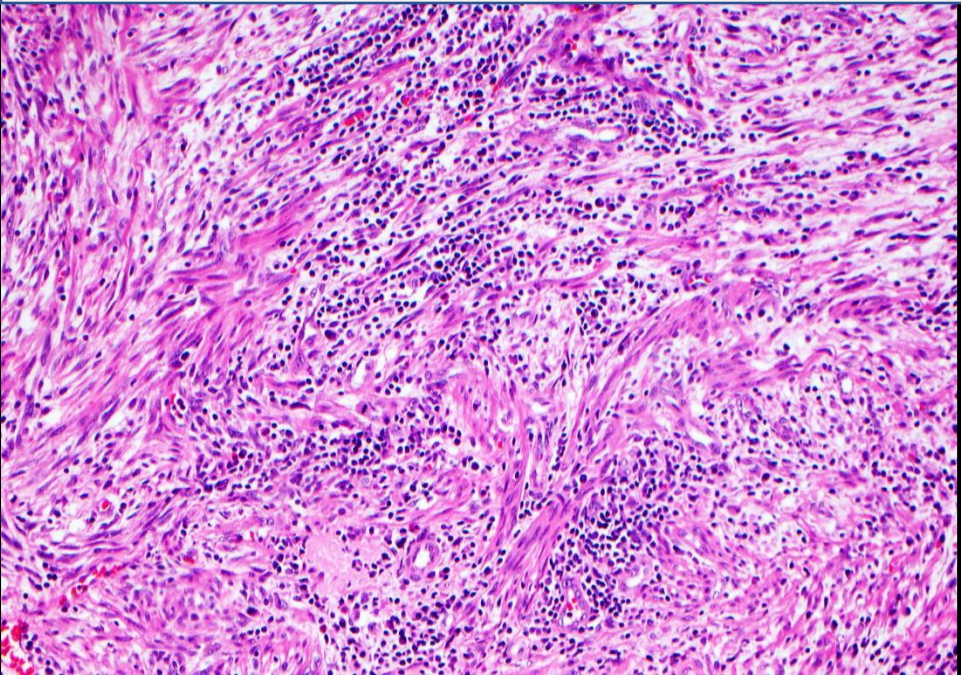


**Recurrence-
leiomyoma-like**

**ASK FOR PRIOR
HISTORY AND
REVIEW SLIDES IF
POSSIBLE**



INFLAMMATORY INFILTRATE

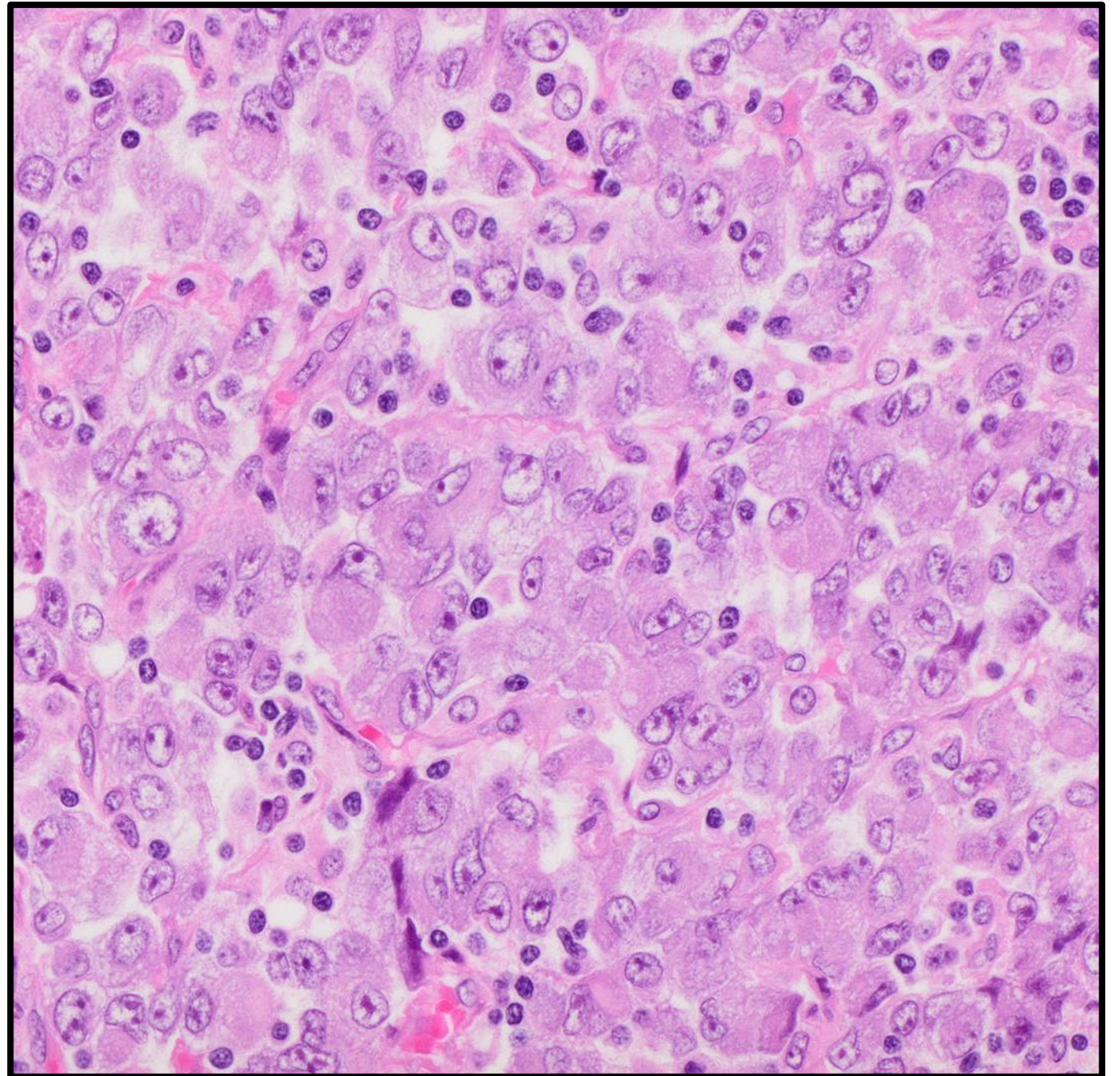


Location

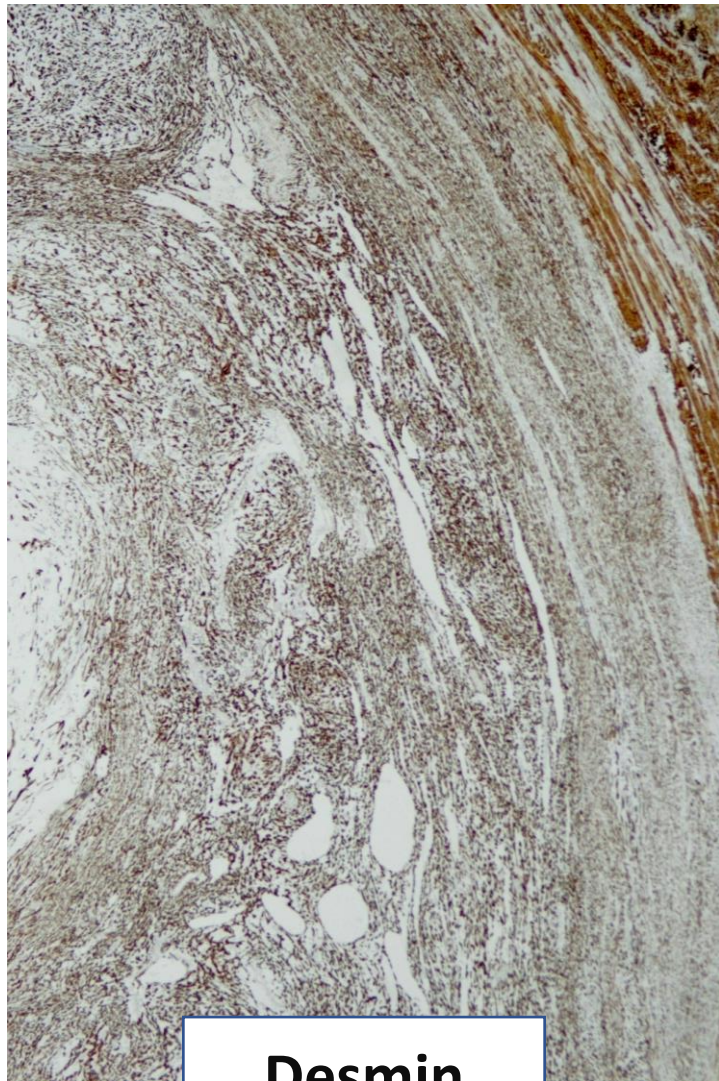
- **Compact-Predominant: 46%**
- **Equally Distributed: 31%**
- **Myxoid-Predominant: 23%**

Epithelioid Inflammatory Myofibroblastic Sarcoma

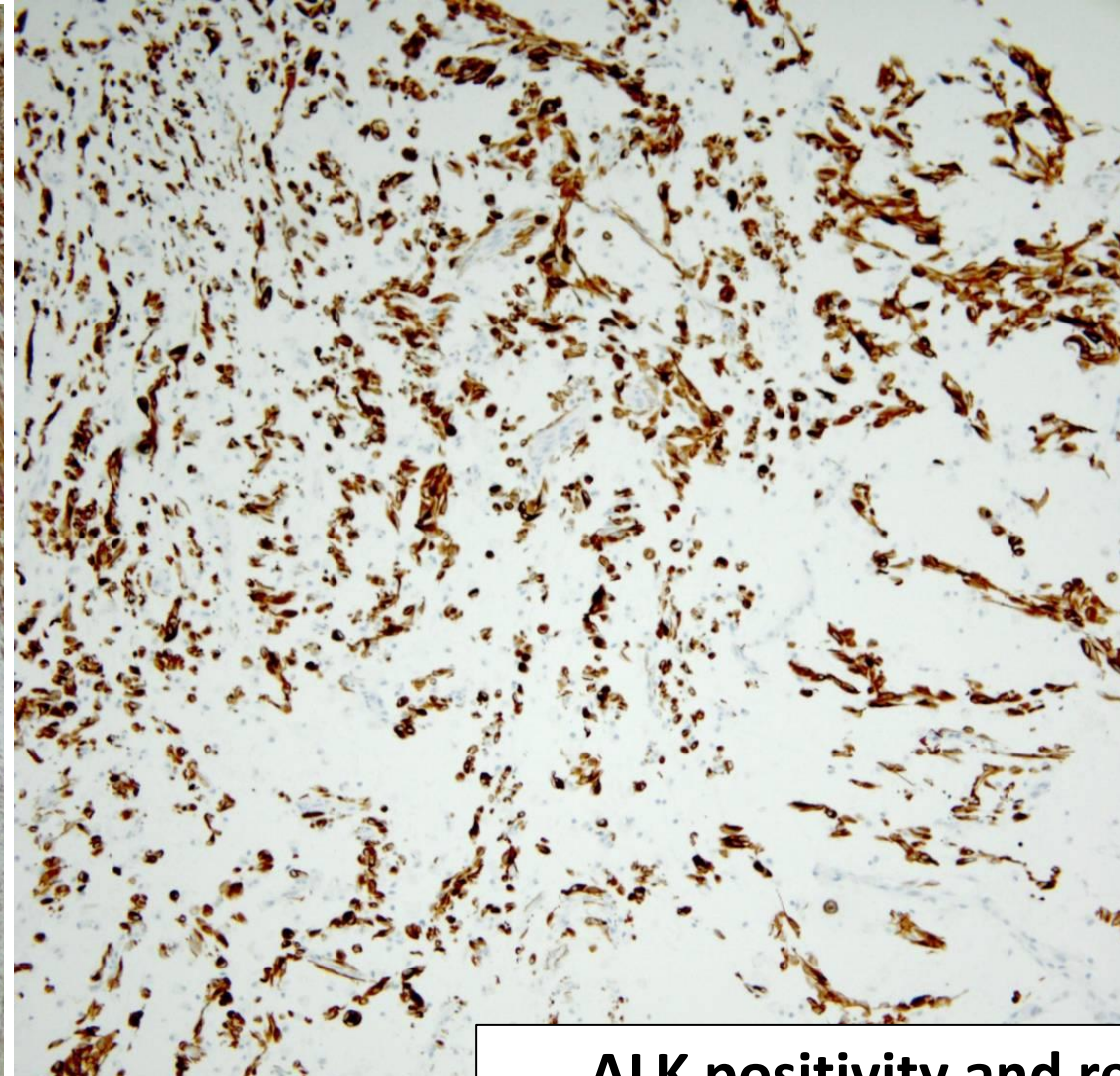
- **Always malignant**
- **Rarely reported in uterus and ovary**



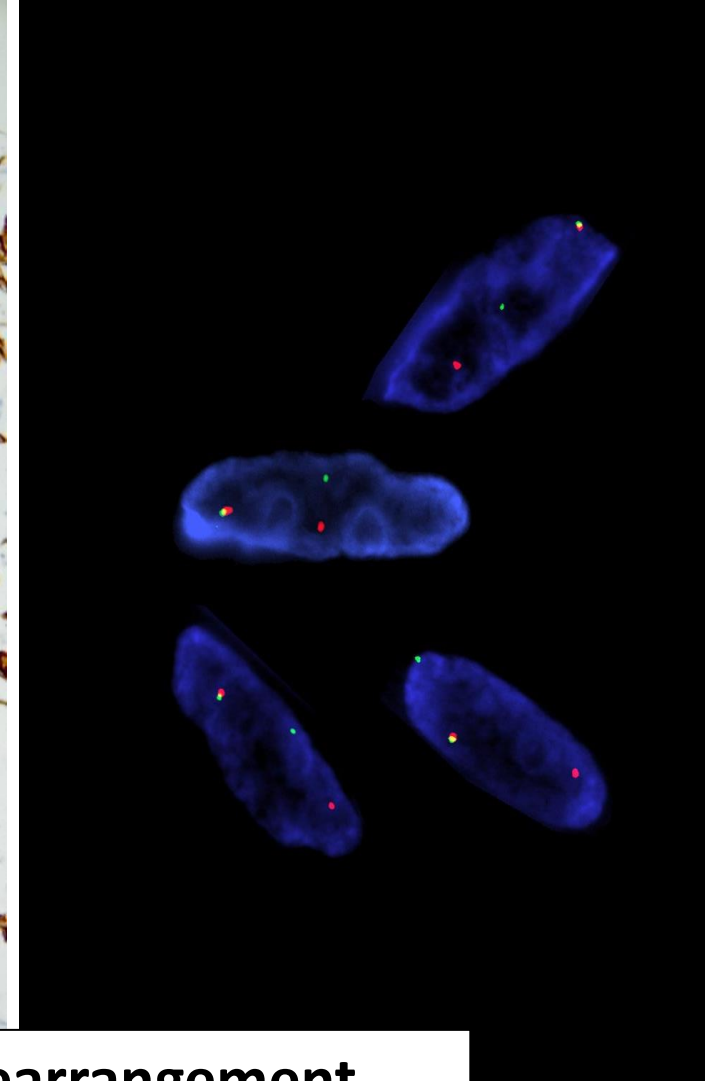
INFLAMMATORY MYOFIBROBLASTIC TUMOR



Desmin



ALK positivity and rearrangement



Smooth muscle tumors may have ALK amplifications but typically no rearrangements

INFLAMMATORY MYOFIBROBLASTIC TUMOR

Features associated with aggressive behavior:

- **Large size >7cm**
- **Tumor cell necrosis**
- **Cytologic atypia and brisk mitotic activity**
- **Lymphovascular invasion**

Parra-Herran C et al, Am J Surg Pathol 2015;39:157-68

**Bennett J et al , Modern Pathol 2017; 30:1489-1503*

New Proposed Risk Stratification Score

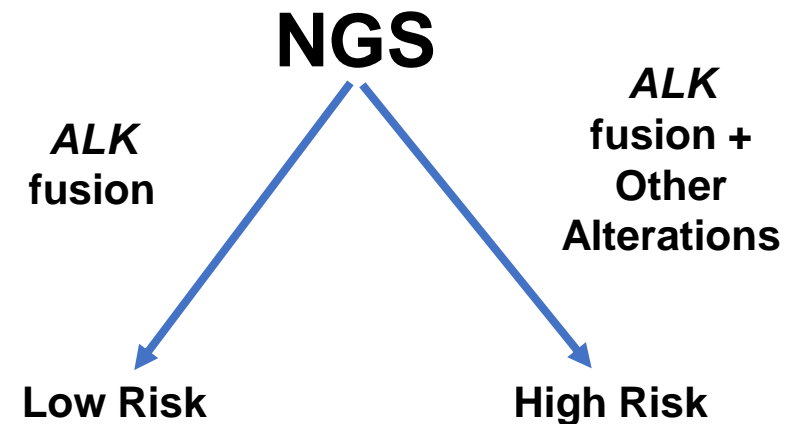
Age > 45 years

Size \geq 5 cm

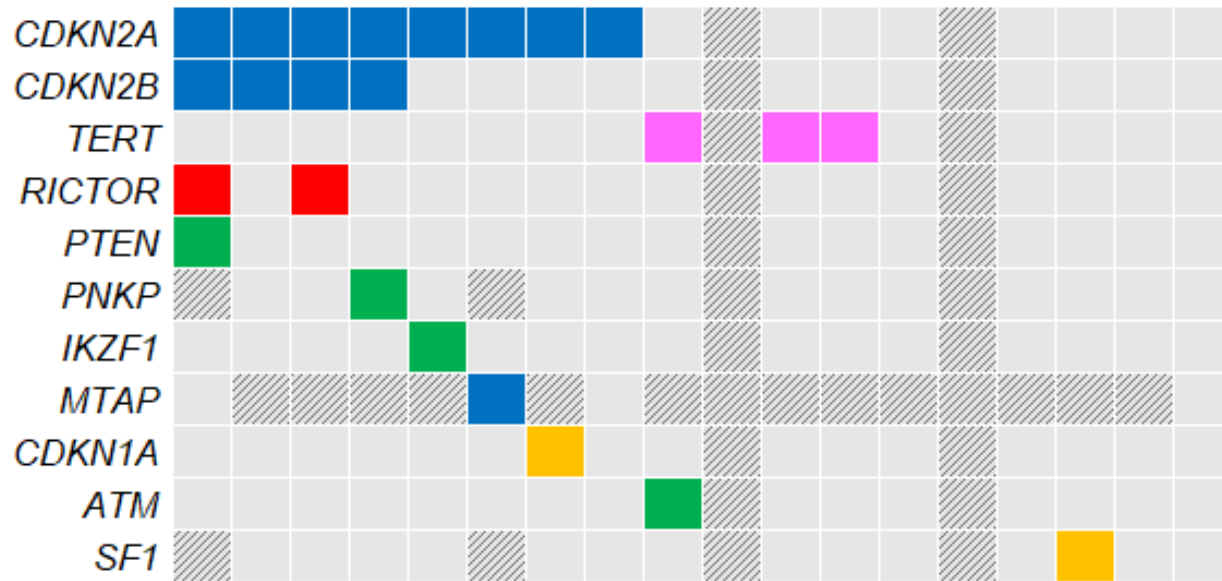
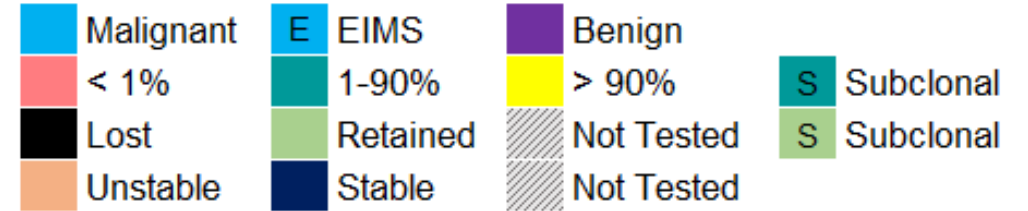
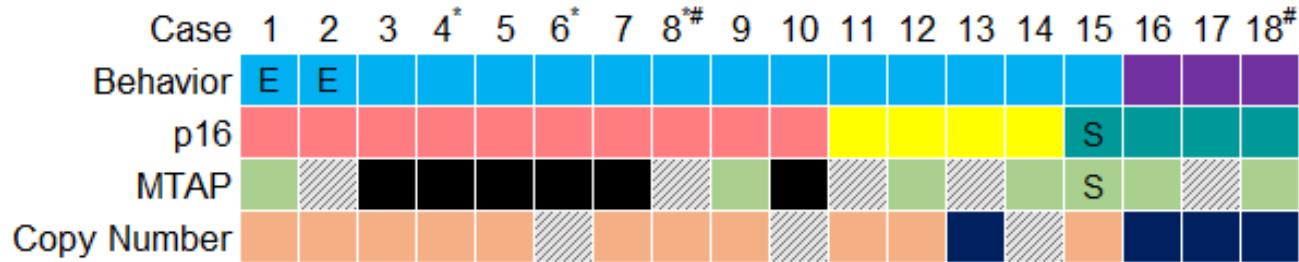
Mitoses \geq 4/10
HPFs

Infiltrative Border

Outcome (n=52)	Low Risk (0 Points)	Intermediate Risk (1-2 Points)	High Risk (\geq 3 Points)
Benign (n=30)	11	19	0
Aggressive (n=22)	0	4	18



Abnormal p16 in Malignant IMTs



Abnormal p16 expression in most malignant IMTs:

<1%: Usually associated with *CDKN2A* (+/- *CDKN2B*) deletion

>90%: Often with *TERT* promoter mutations

*Recurrence tested #Tested by comparative genomic hybridization

KEEP IN MIND:

When a lymphoplasmacytic inflammatory infiltrate is noted within a spindle cell proliferation that resembles a smooth muscle neoplasm, think about the possibility of an inflammatory myofibroblastic tumor

When working up such differential diagnosis apply smooth muscle markers as well as ALK/ROS and perform FISH

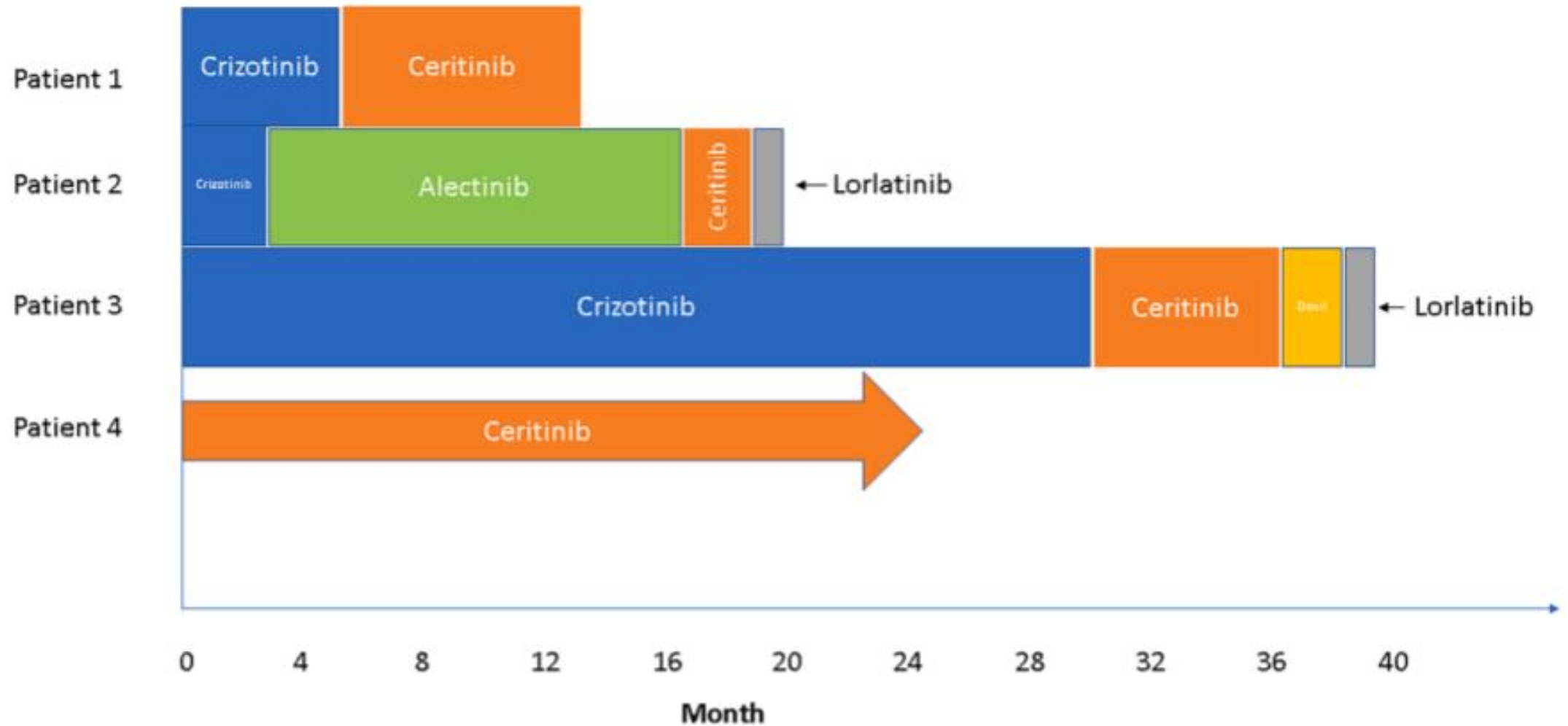
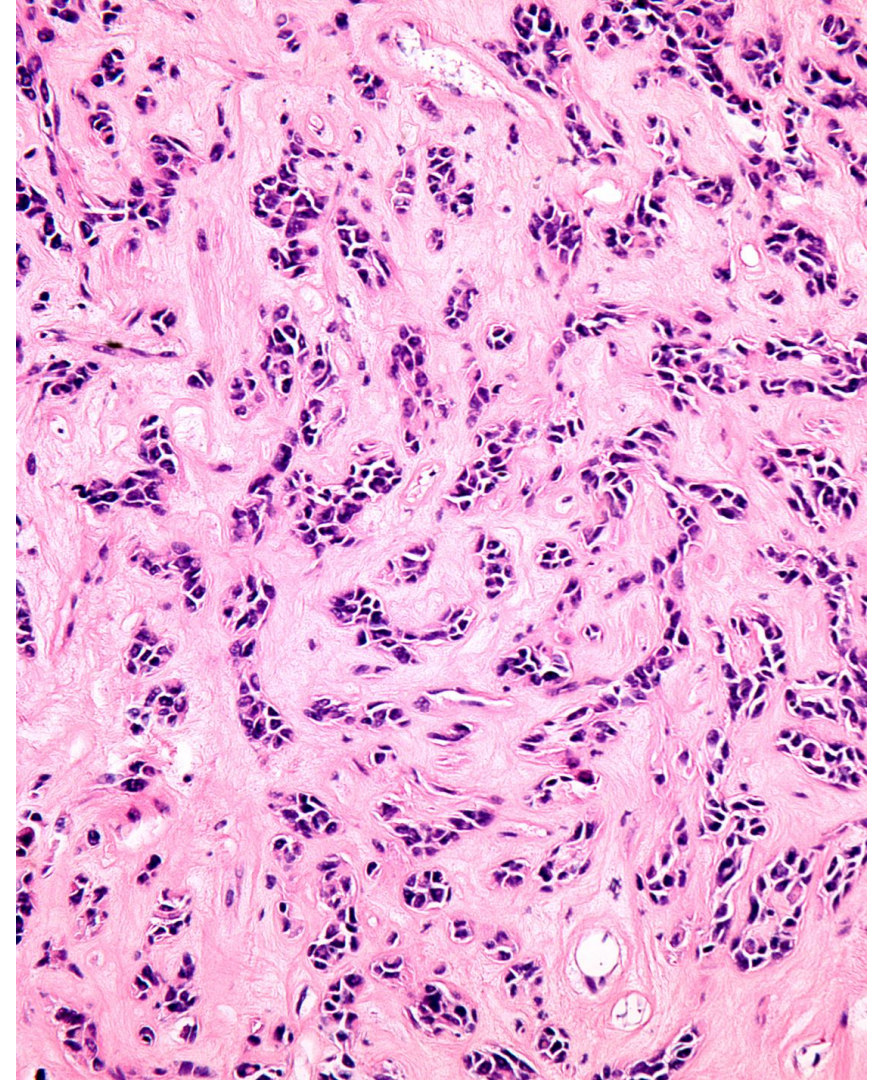
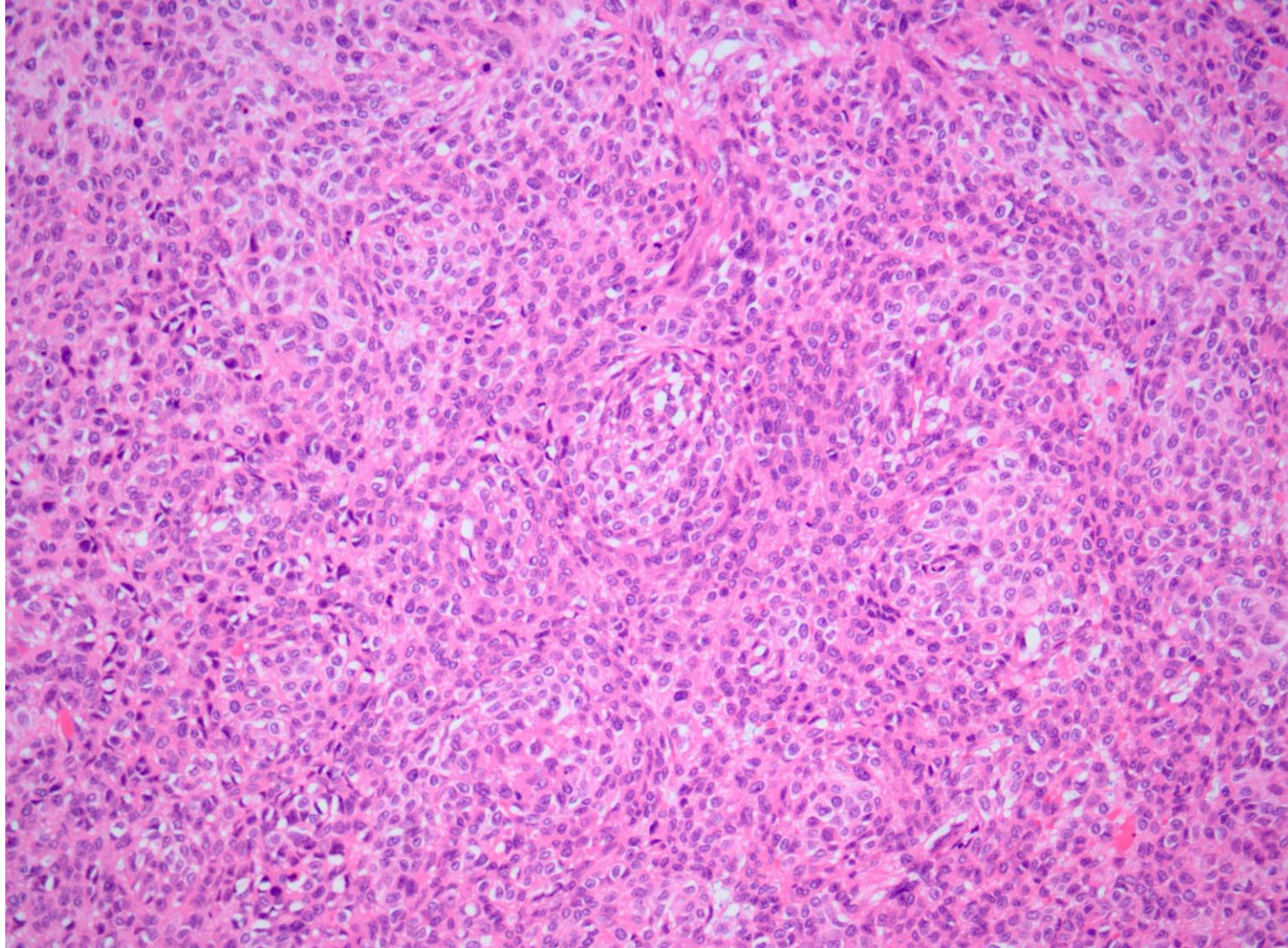


Fig. 2. Response to *ALK* inhibitors in uterine mesenchymal tumors harboring *ALK* fusions.

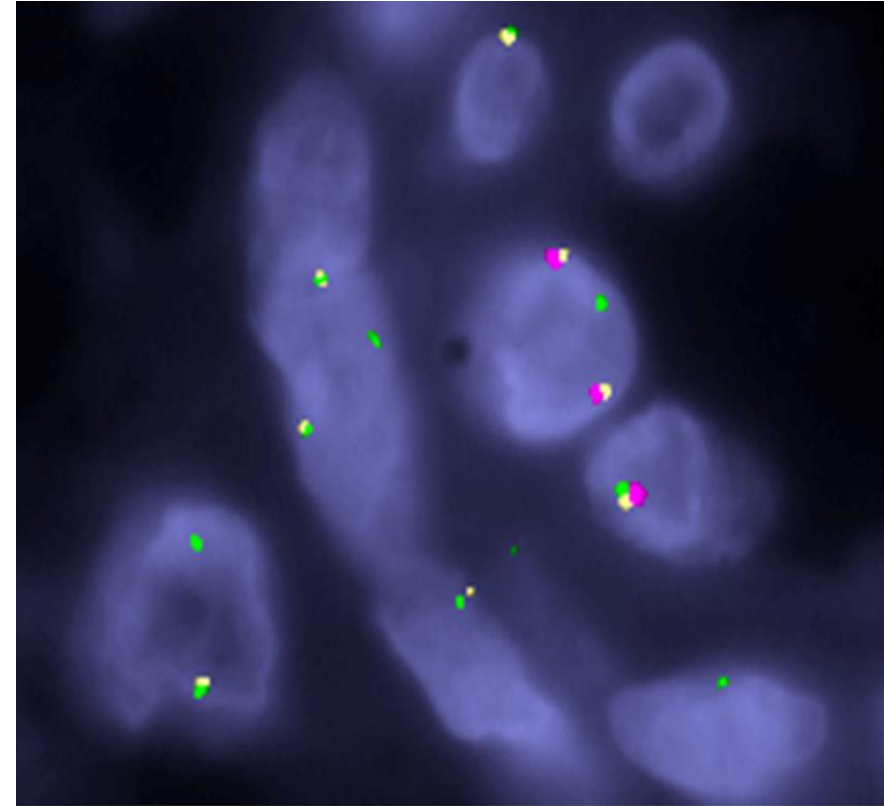
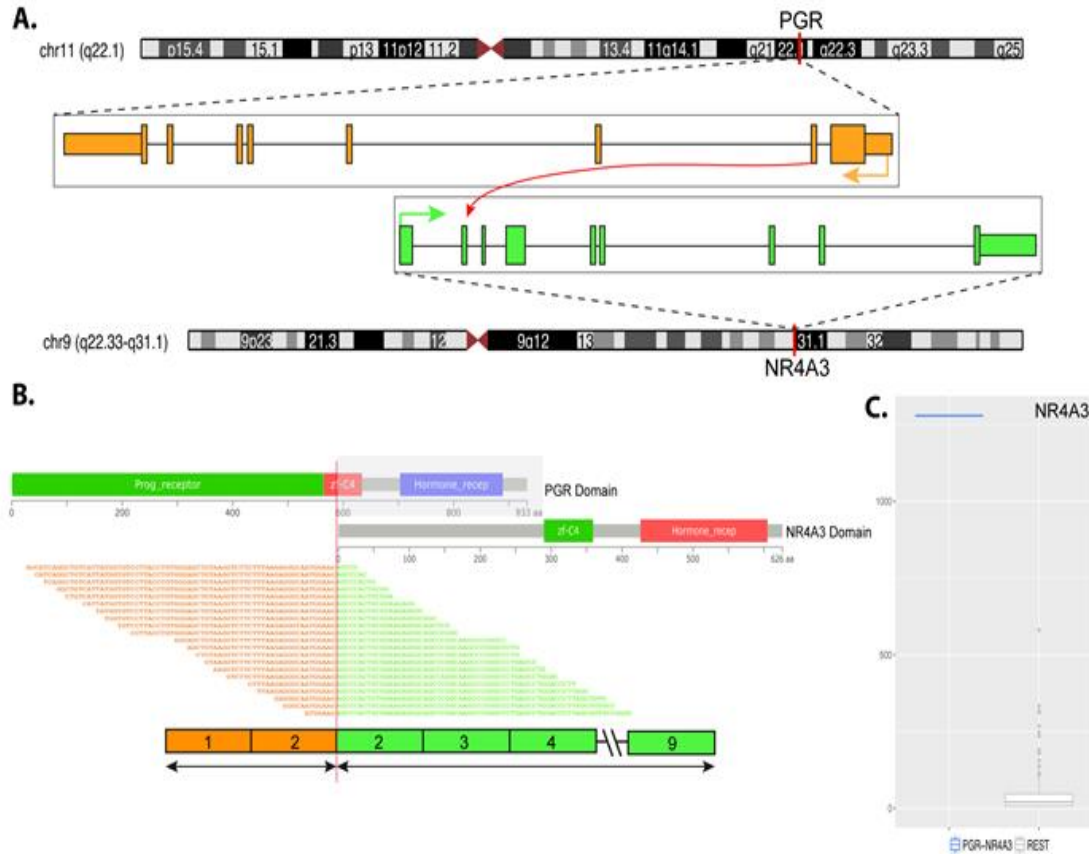
EPITHELIROID LEIOMYOSARCOMA



EPITHELIOID SMOOTH MUSCLE Ts

- No widely accepted criteria for predicting behavior as rare
- **Epithelioid Leiomyosarcoma:**
 - ≥ 4 MFs/10HPFs & grade 2 or 3 nuclei
 - or
 - Tumor cell necrosis
- **Epithelioid Smooth Muscle Tumor, probably benign:**
 - ≤ 2 MFs/10HPFs, no tumor cell necrosis
and at most mild nuclear atypia

EPITHELIOID LEIOMYOSARCOMA (*PGR fusion* subset), with *t(9,11)*



PGR-NR4A3 fusion ----projected fusion protein including the progesterone receptor domain of *PGR*

PGR mutations rare; seen in 2% of EC and 0.2% of high-grade serous carcinomas

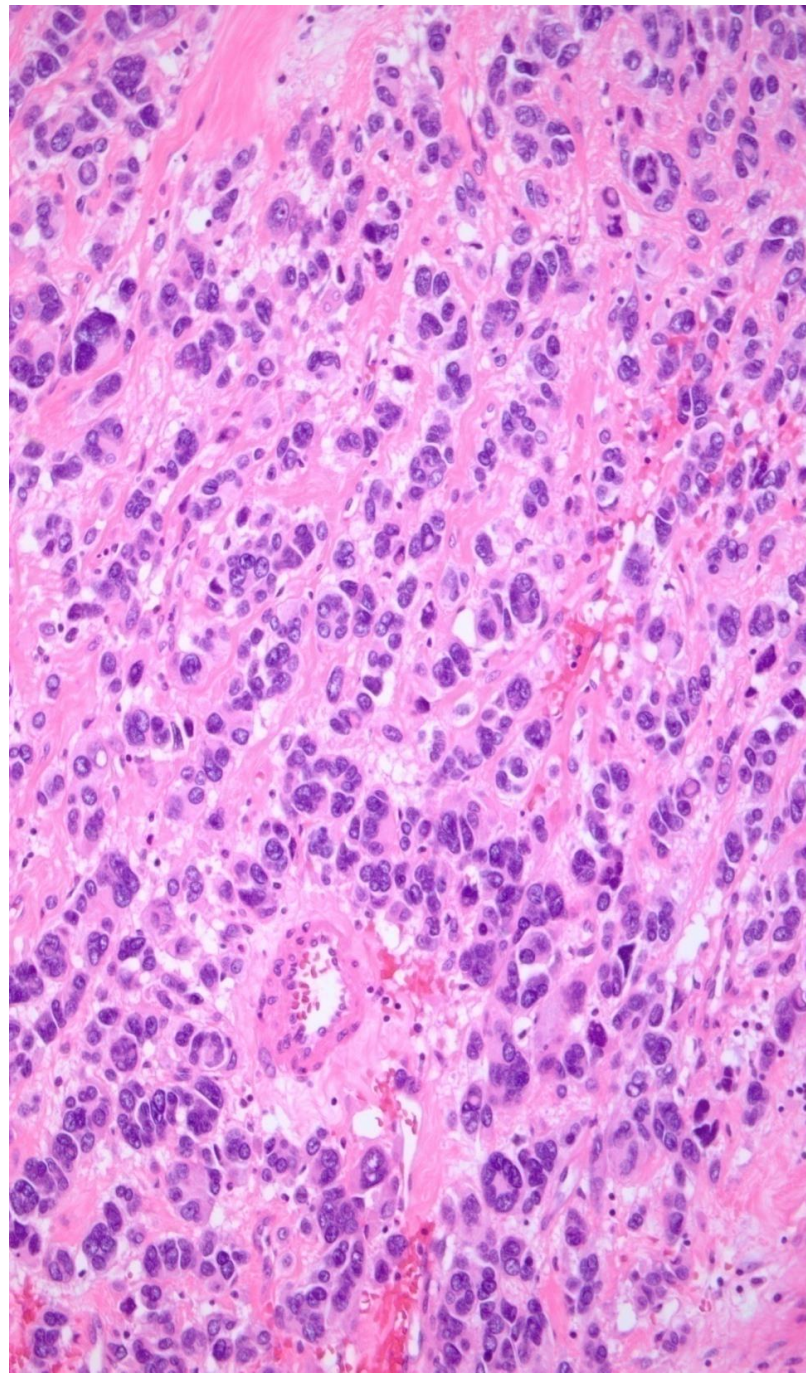
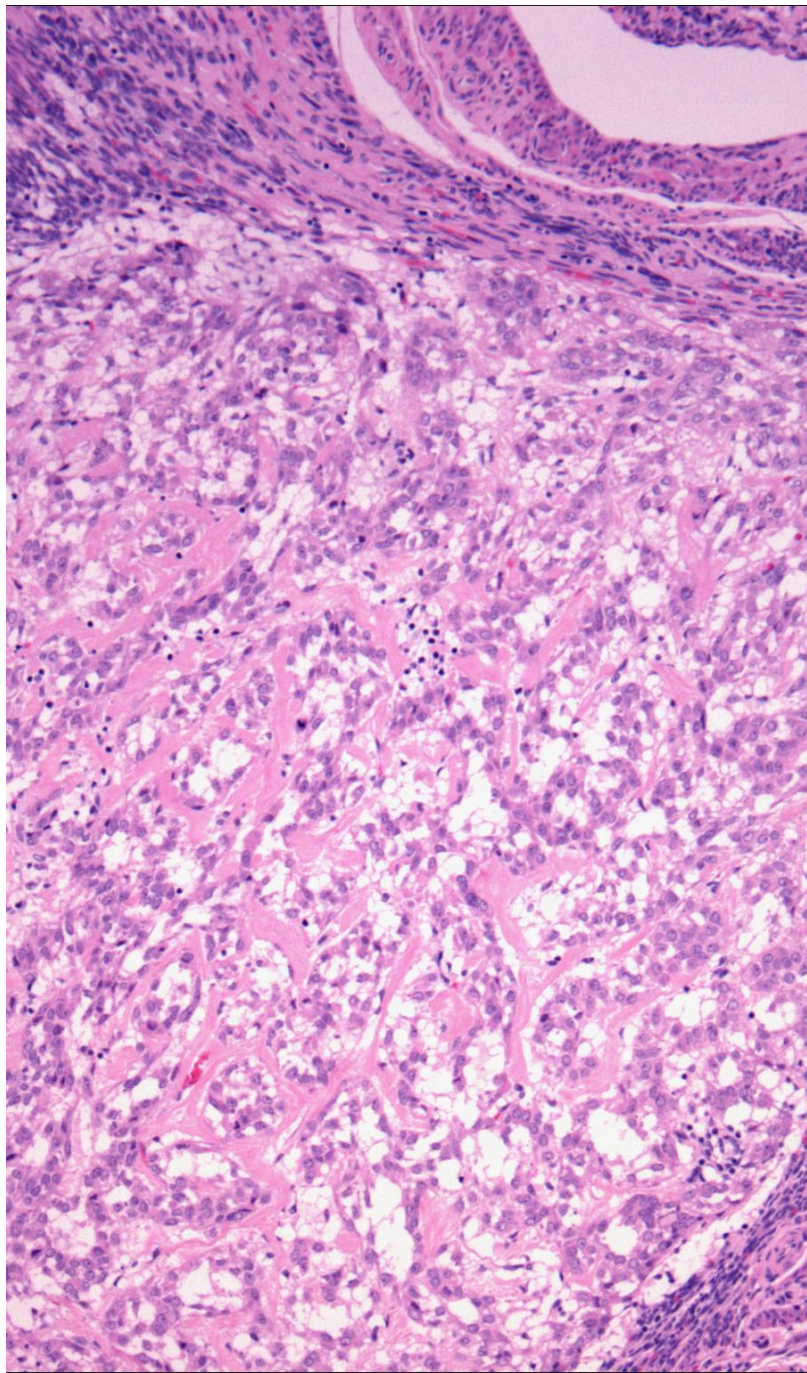
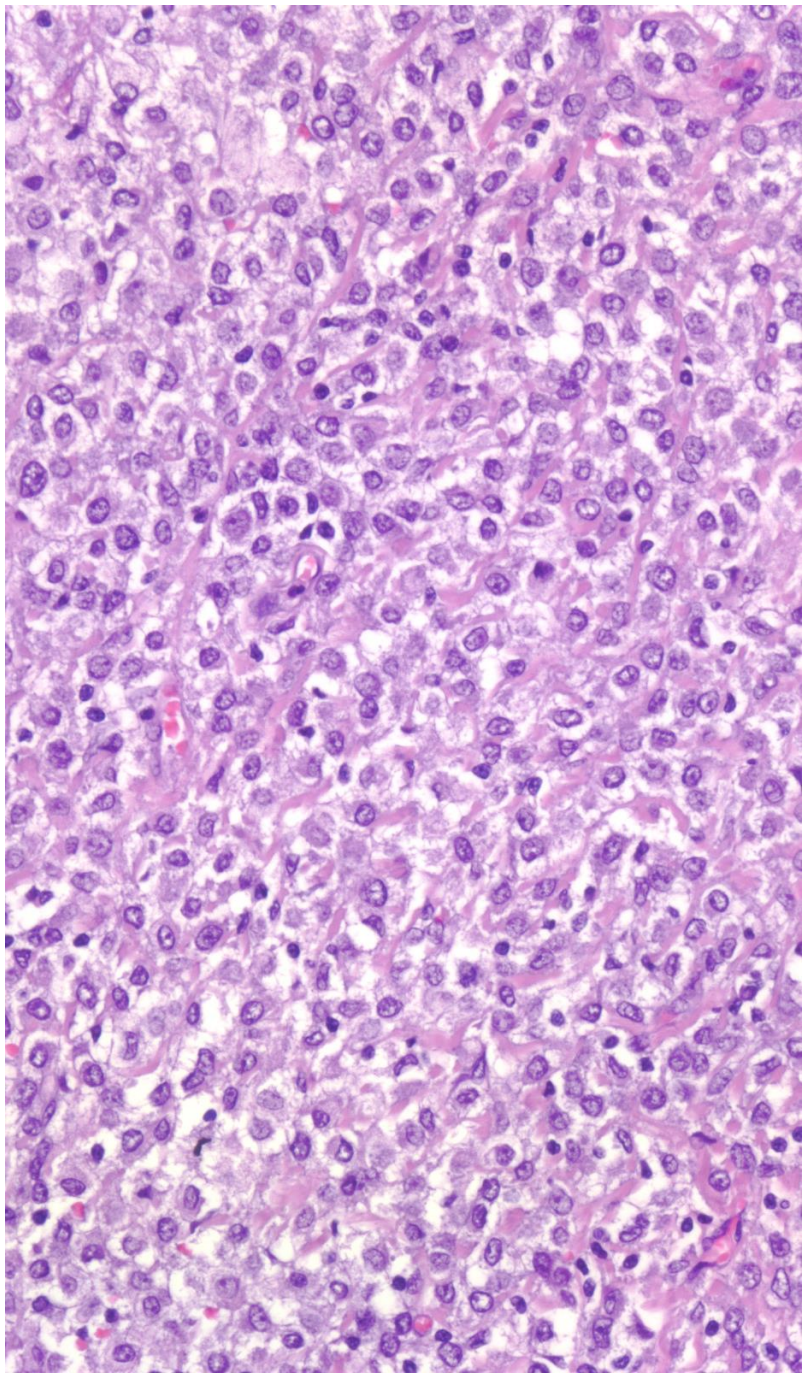
EPITHELIOID LEIOMYOSARCOMA

Differential Diagnosis:

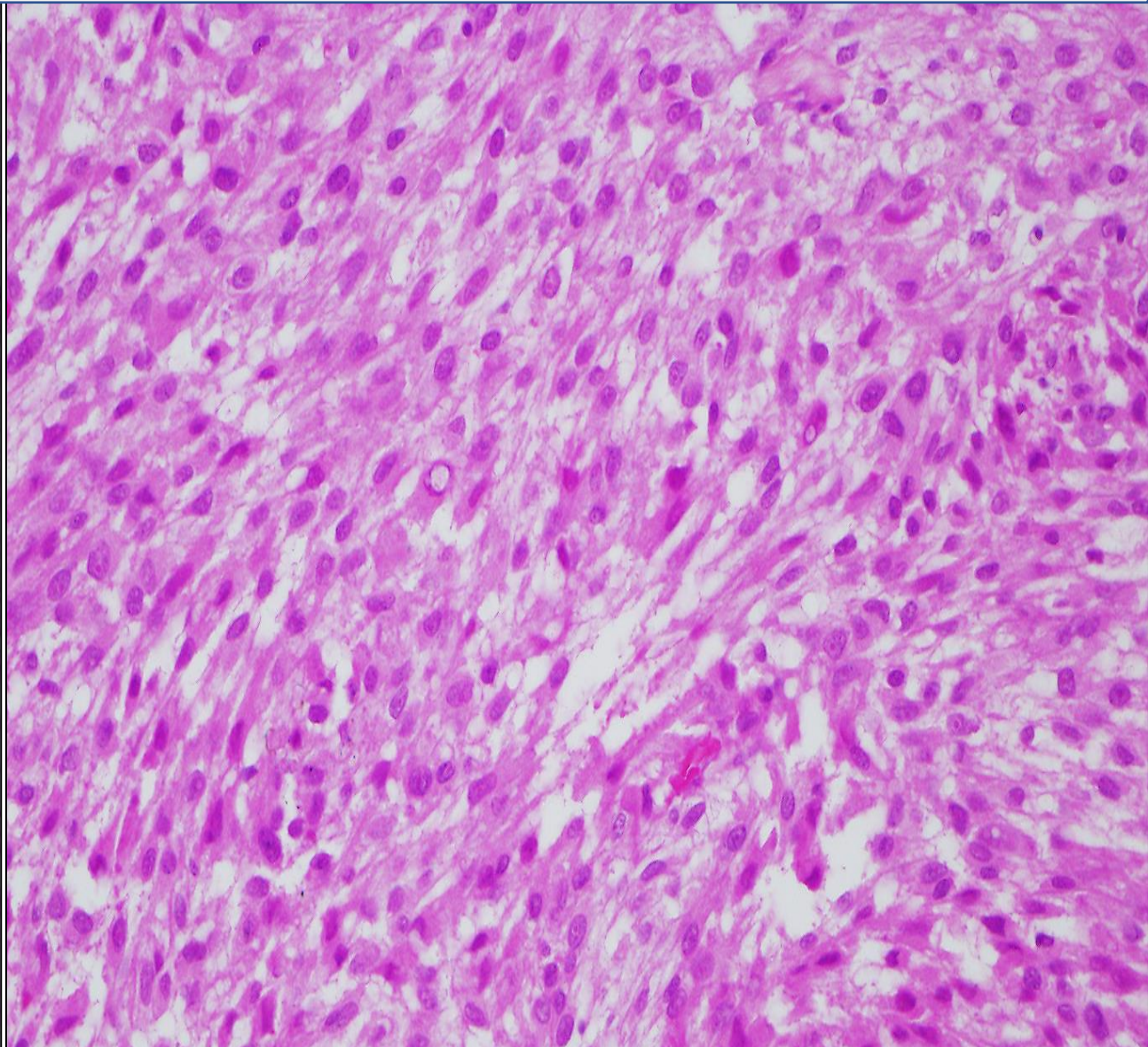
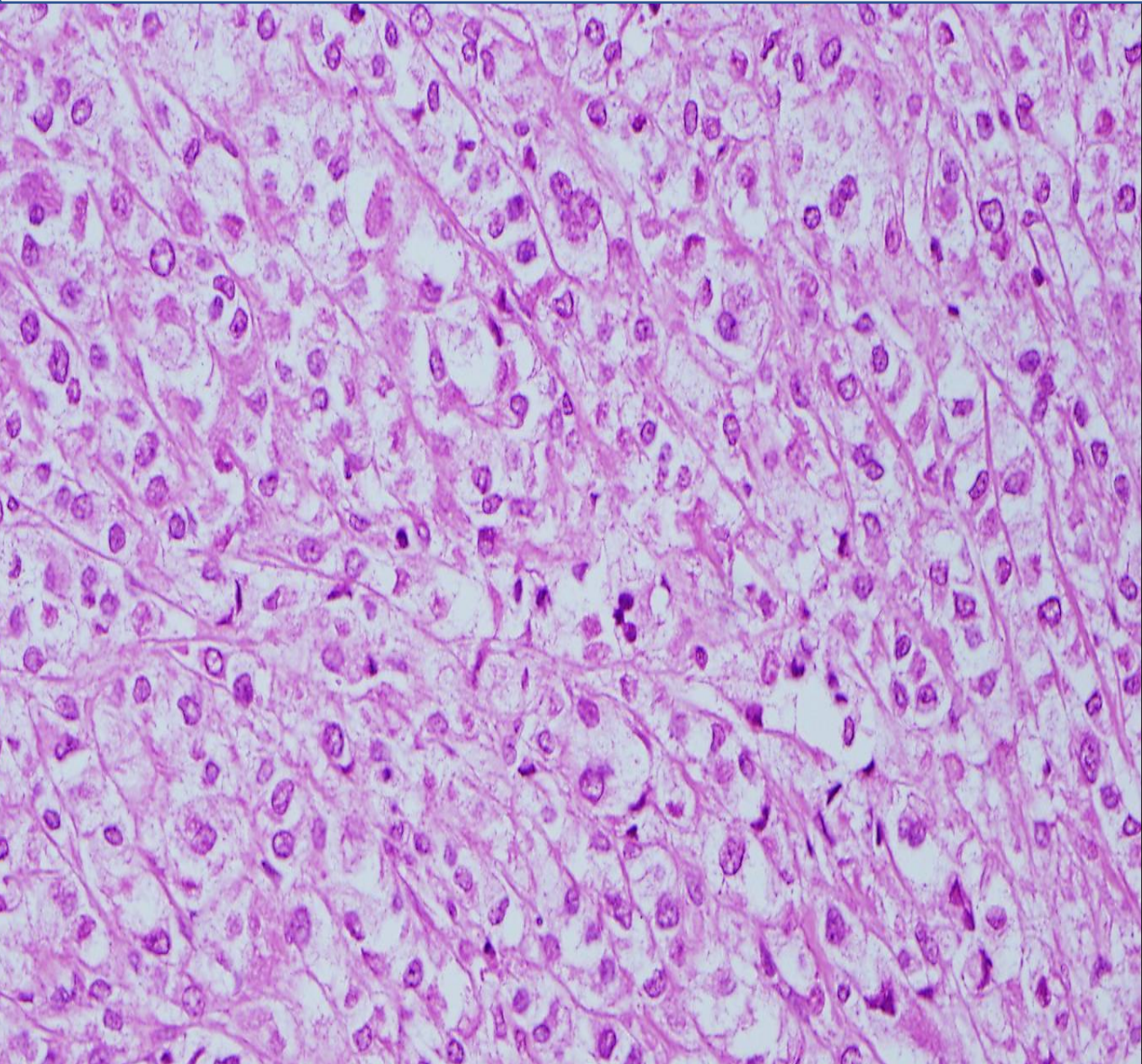
- **Poorly differentiated carcinoma**
- **PEComa**
- **UTROSCT**
- **Epithelioid endometrial stromal sarcoma**
- **Intermediate-type trophoblastic tumors**
- **Melanoma**
- **Other (rhabdomyosarcoma, angiosarcoma, alveolar soft part sarcoma, GIST)**
- **SMARCA4 deficient uterine sarcoma**
- **Metastases**

PERIVASCULAR EPITHELIOID CELL TUMOR (PEComa)

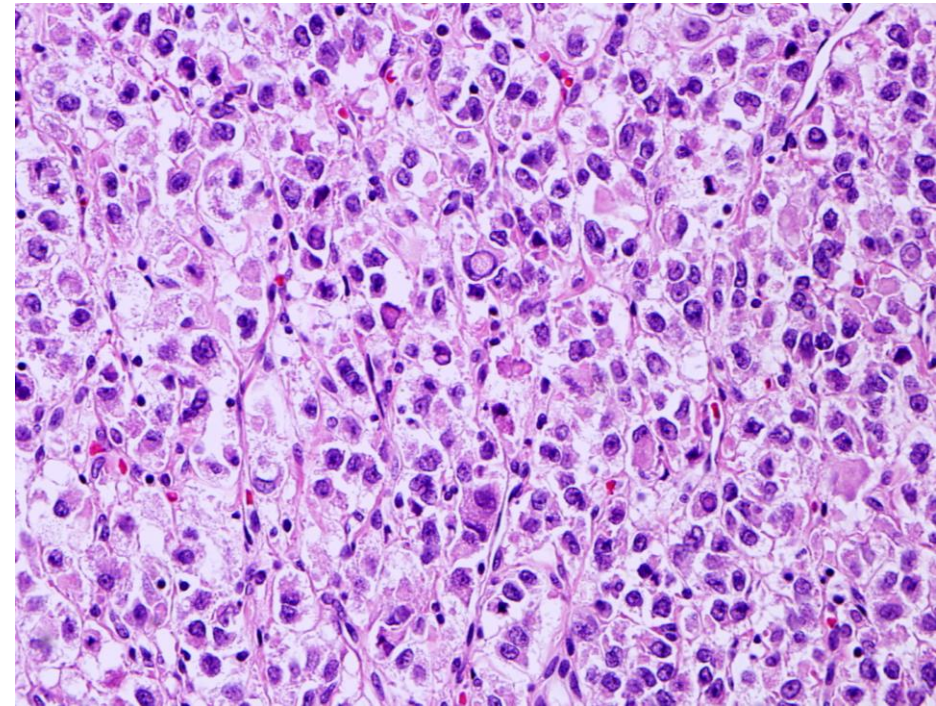
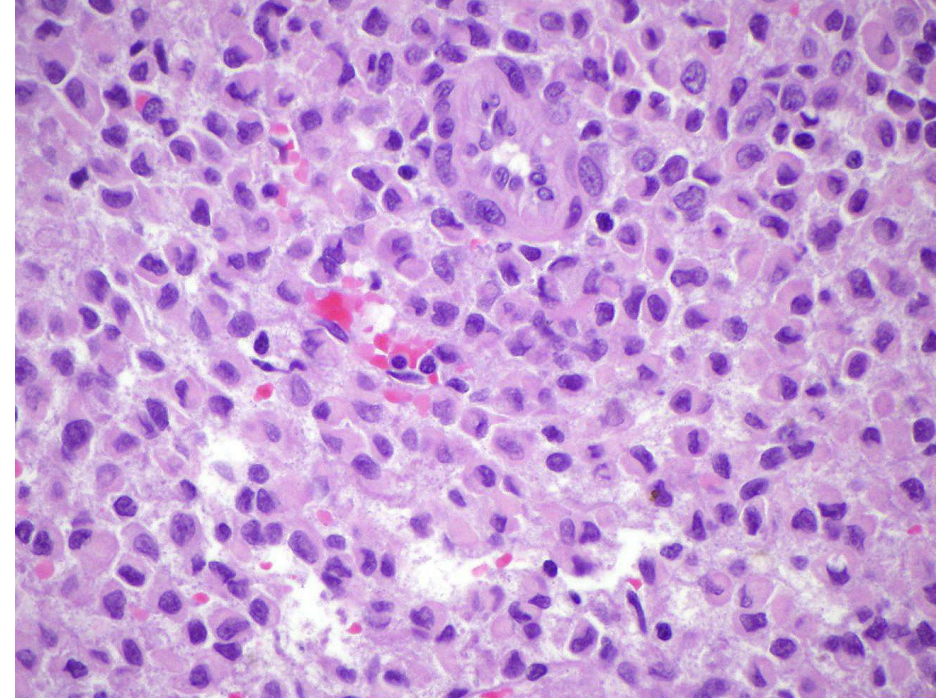
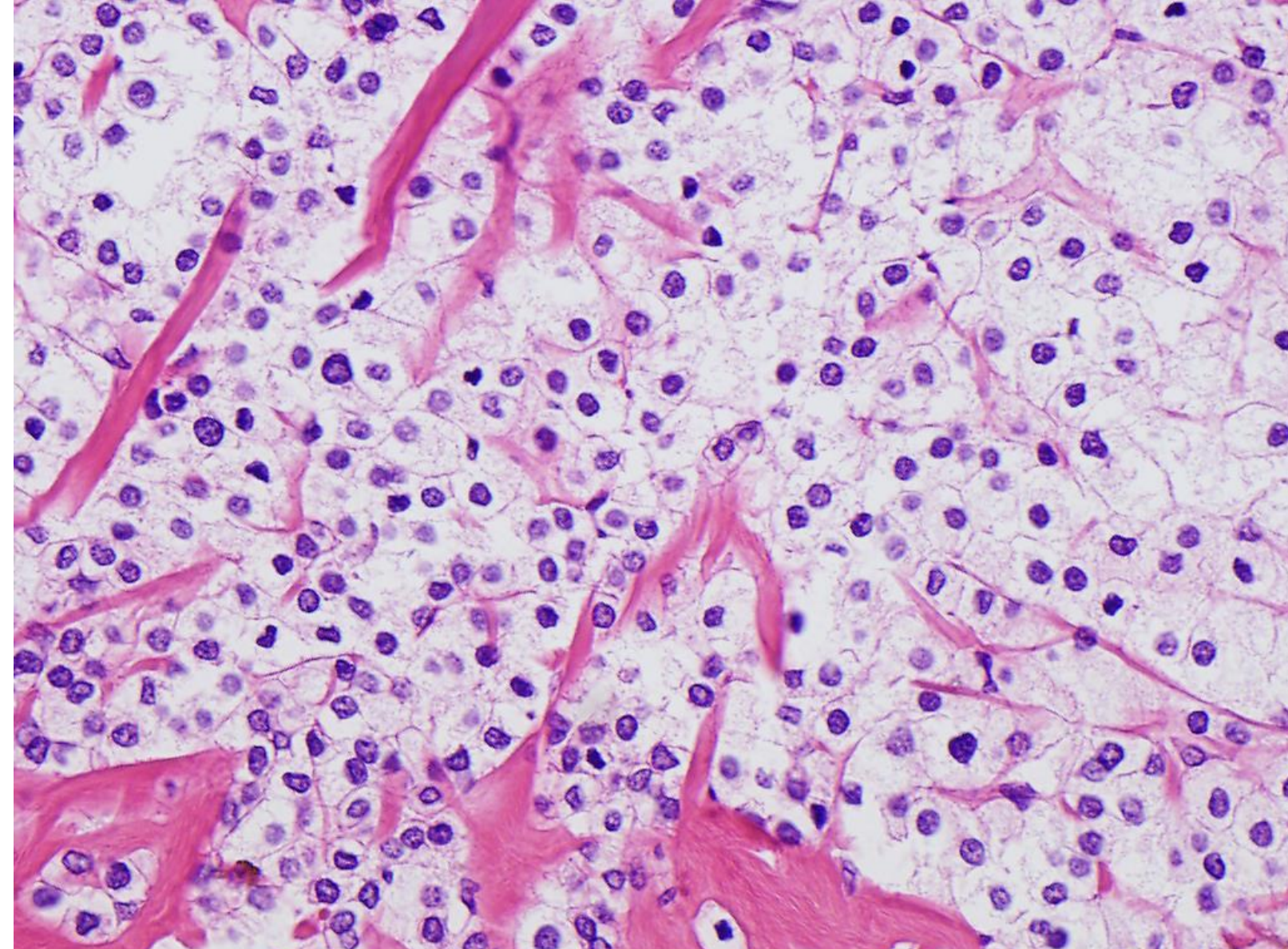
- **Mesenchymal tumor composed of perivascular epithelioid cells (PECs) that express melanocytic and smooth muscle markers**
- **Uterine corpus > cervix > vagina > ovary > broad ligament**
- **Wide age range and clinical presentation non-specific**
- **Most sporadic but ~10% associated with tuberous sclerosis**
- **Potential treatment with mTOR inhibitors**



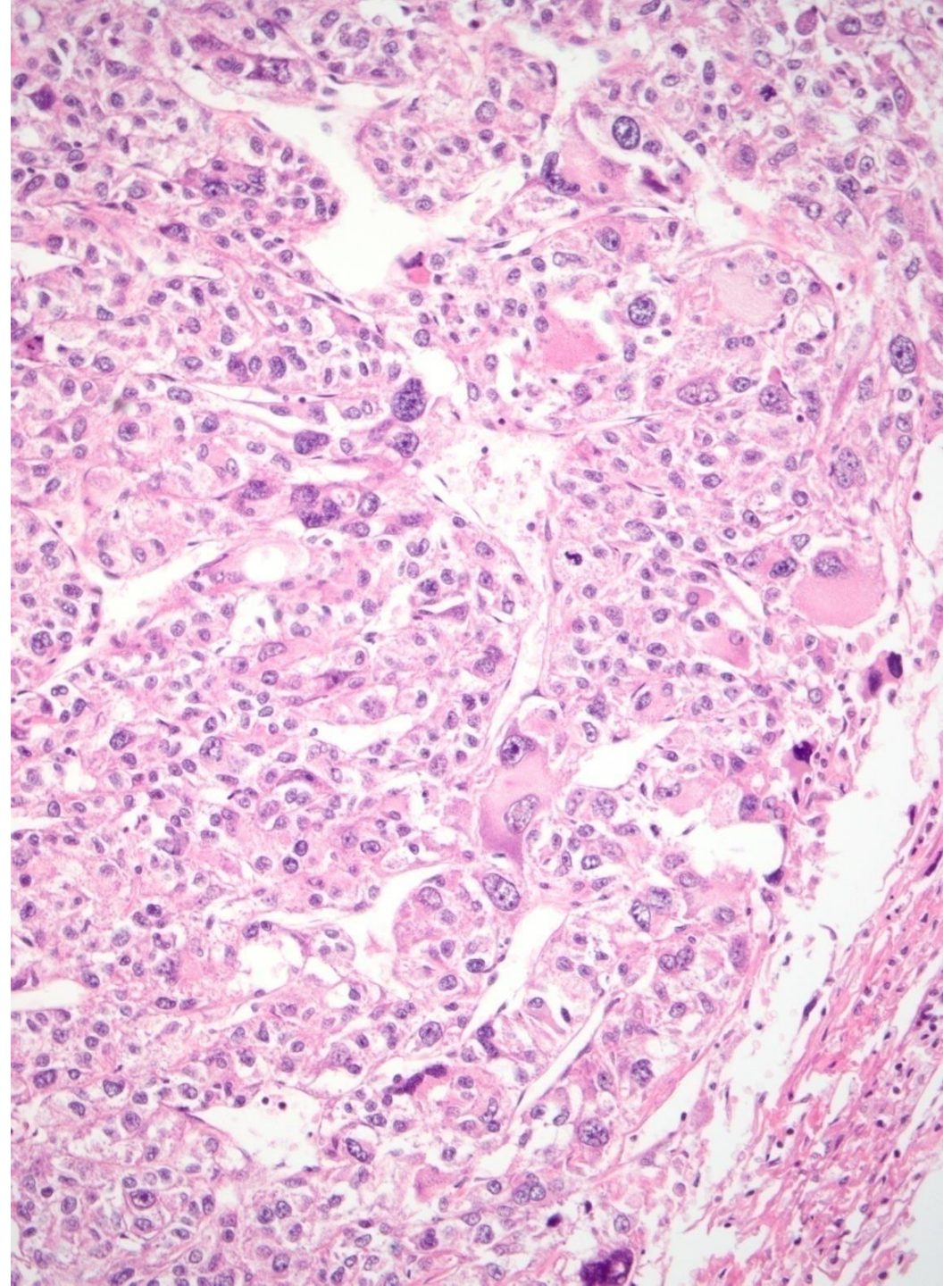
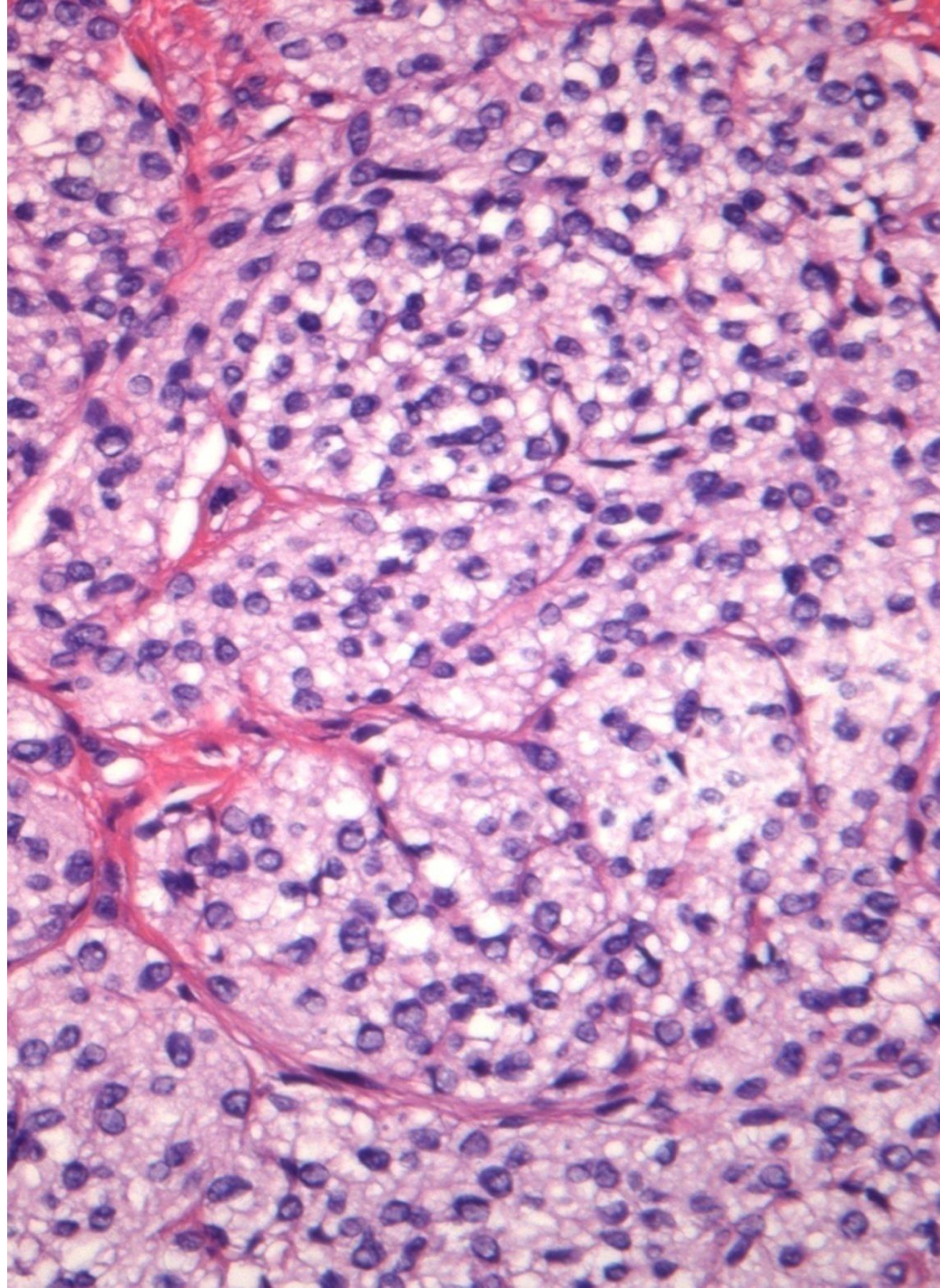
PECOMA



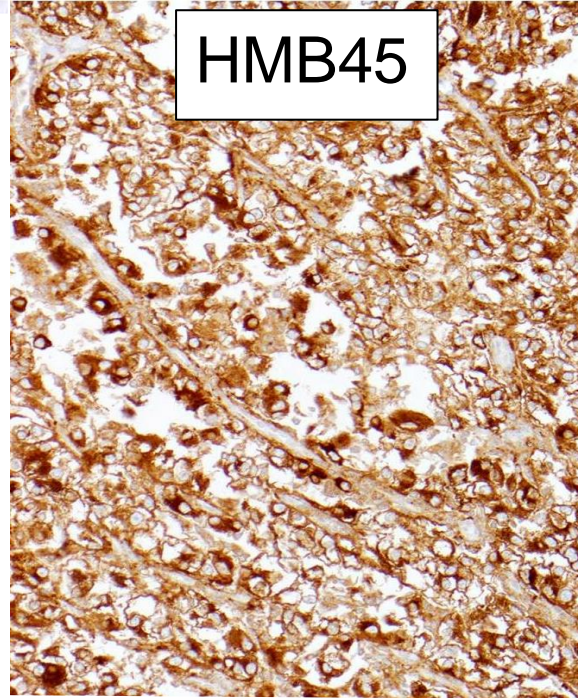
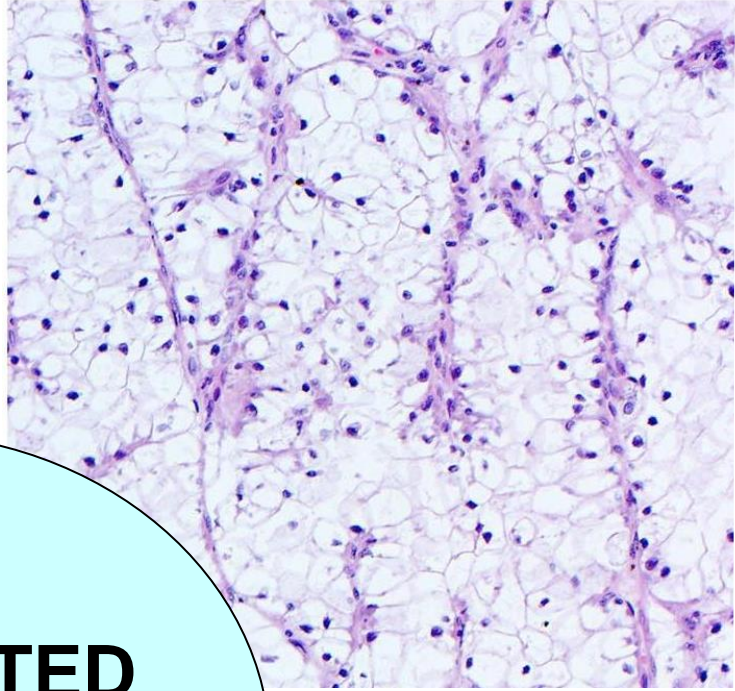
Epithelioid >>> Spindle



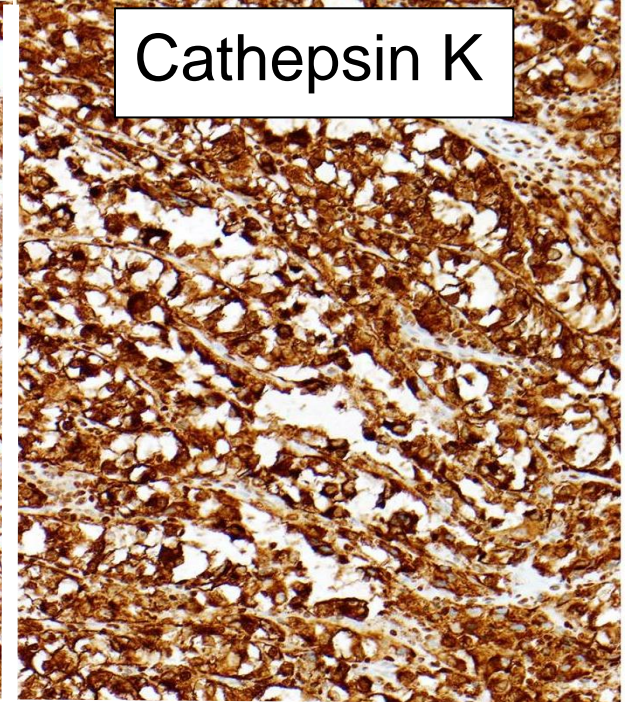
PEComa: CYTOLOGY



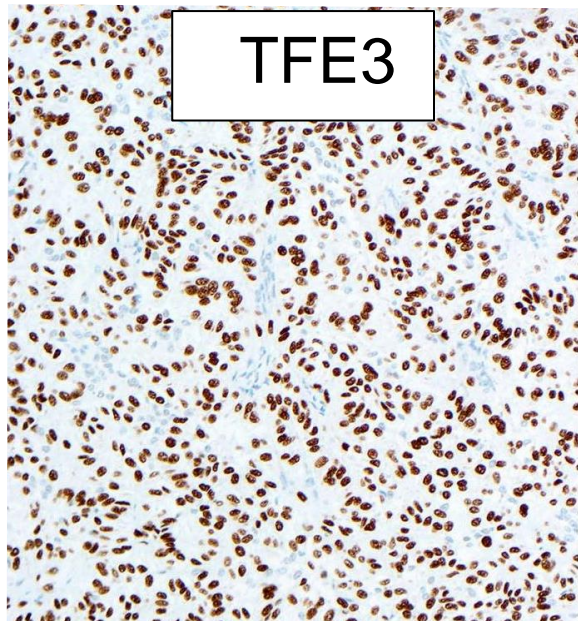
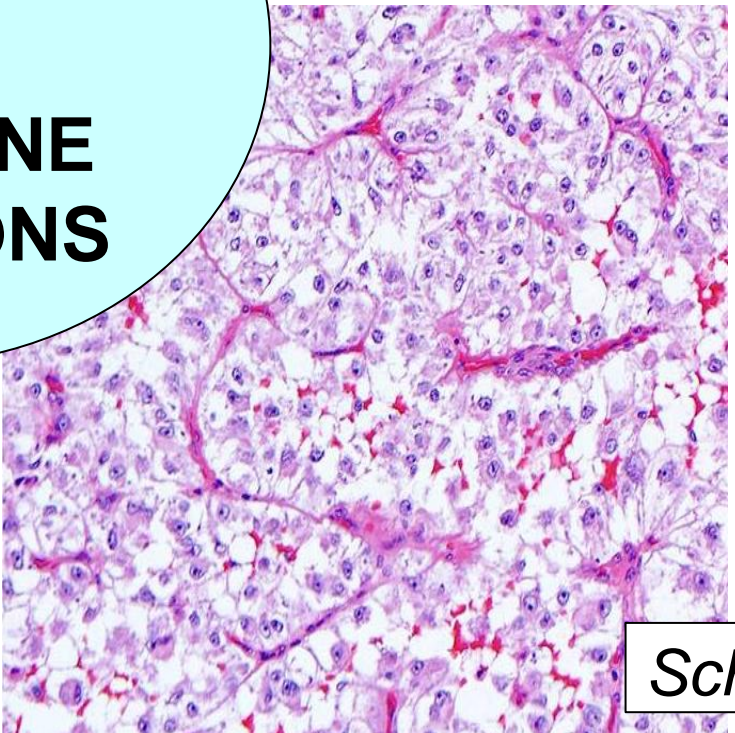
**NOT
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WITH
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MUTATIONS**



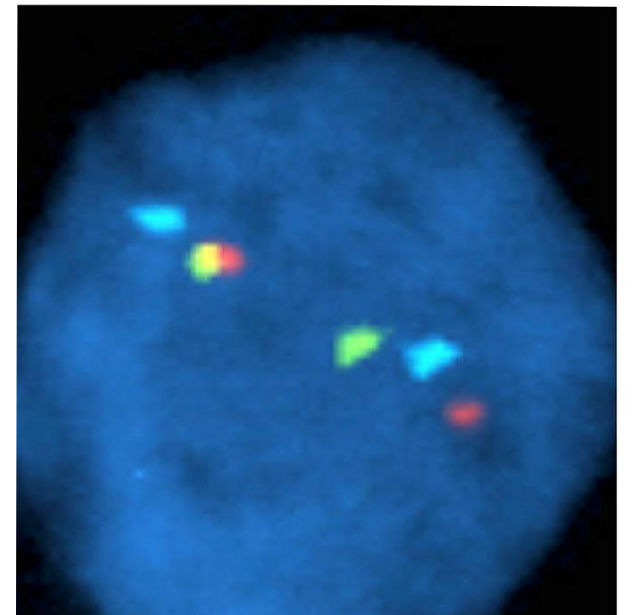
HMB45



Cathepsin K



TFE3



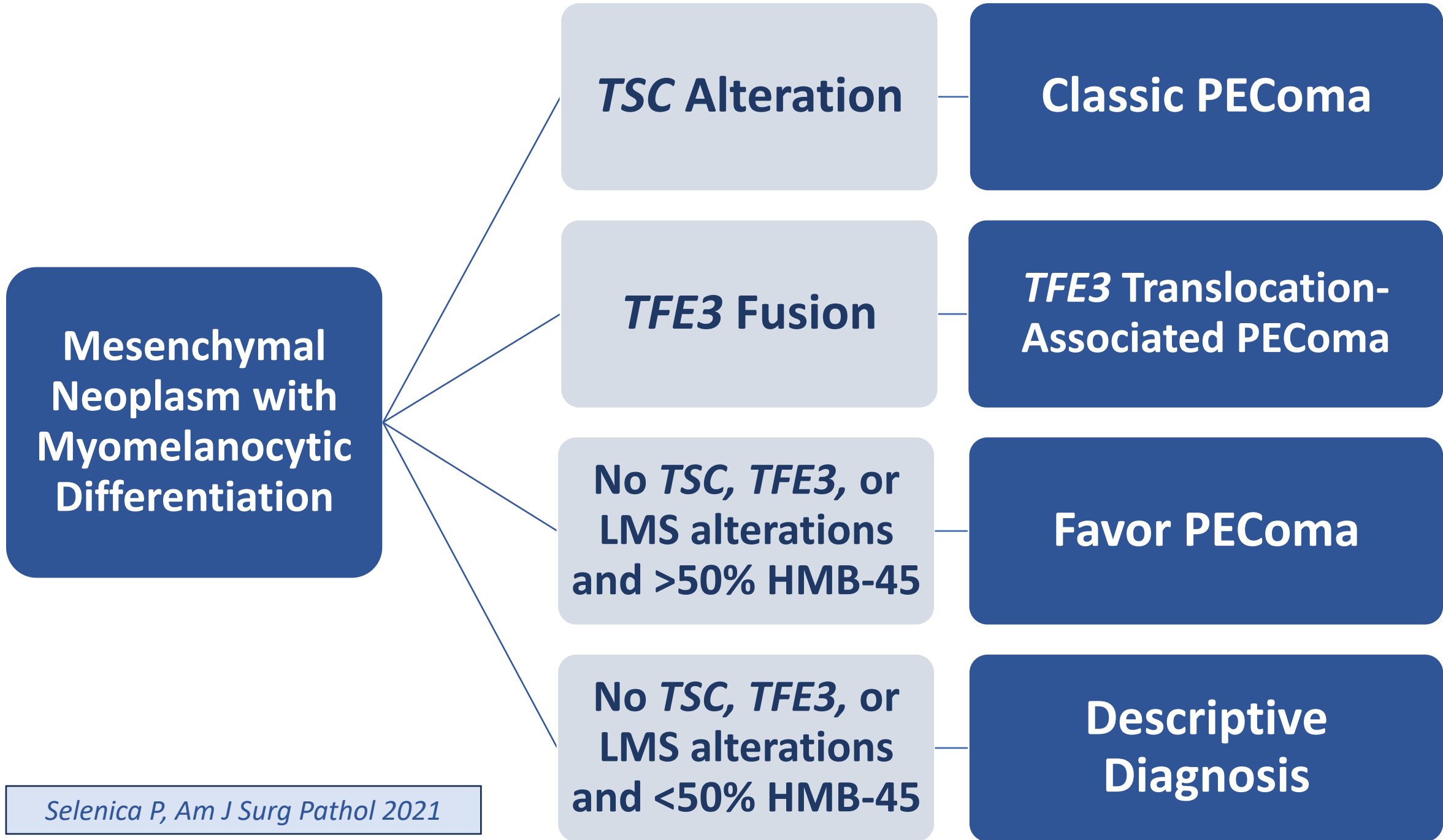
- **HMB45**: Variably expressed in 99% of PEComas
- **Melan-A**: Often focal and less extensive than HMB45
- **MiTF**: Not very reliable marker and non-specific
- **Smooth muscle markers**: Always positive at least for one
 - Smooth muscle actin (~90%) > desmin > caldesmon
 - More often positive in spindle areas
- **Cathepsin K**: Often strongly and diffusely positive
- **PNL2**: Variable cytoplasmic positivity
- **TFE3**: Positive in only tumors with fusion
- **ER/PR**: May be positive
- **AE1/3, s100, and CD10**: Rarely positive
- **PAX8**: Negative

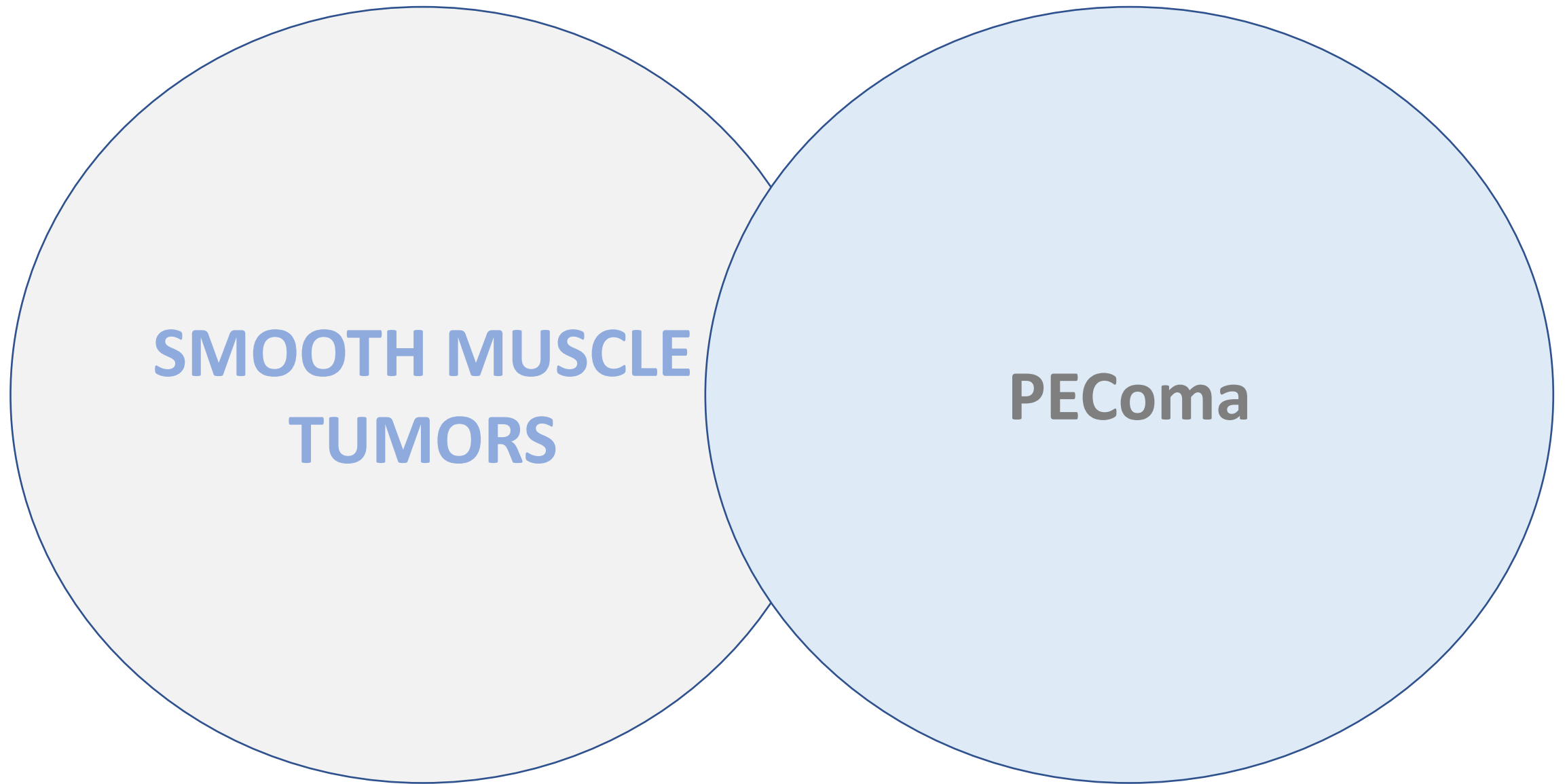
TSC1/2
alterations
common

	WHO 2013	WHO 2020
Benign		
Uncertain malignant behavior	Nuclear pleomorphism / multinucleated giant cells or >5 cm	< 3 features: ≥ 5 cm, high-grade atypia, >1 mitoses/50 HPFs, necrosis, LVI
Malignant	≥ 2 features: >5 cm, infiltration, high-grade atypia, >1 mitoses/50 HPFs, necrosis, vascular invasion	≥ 3 features

Malignant PEComas Often Harbor *TP53* and/or *ATRX* Mutations

	3	4	9a	12	16	24	
<i>TSC1</i>		NS DEL	FS	SP			
<i>TSC2</i>	V				MS	DEL	FS
<i>ATRX</i>			FS	FS			
<i>TP53</i>	FS			FS		V	R





**SMOOTH MUSCLE
TUMORS**

PEComa

A Clinicopathologic and Molecular Characterization of Uterine Sarcomas Classified as Malignant PEComa

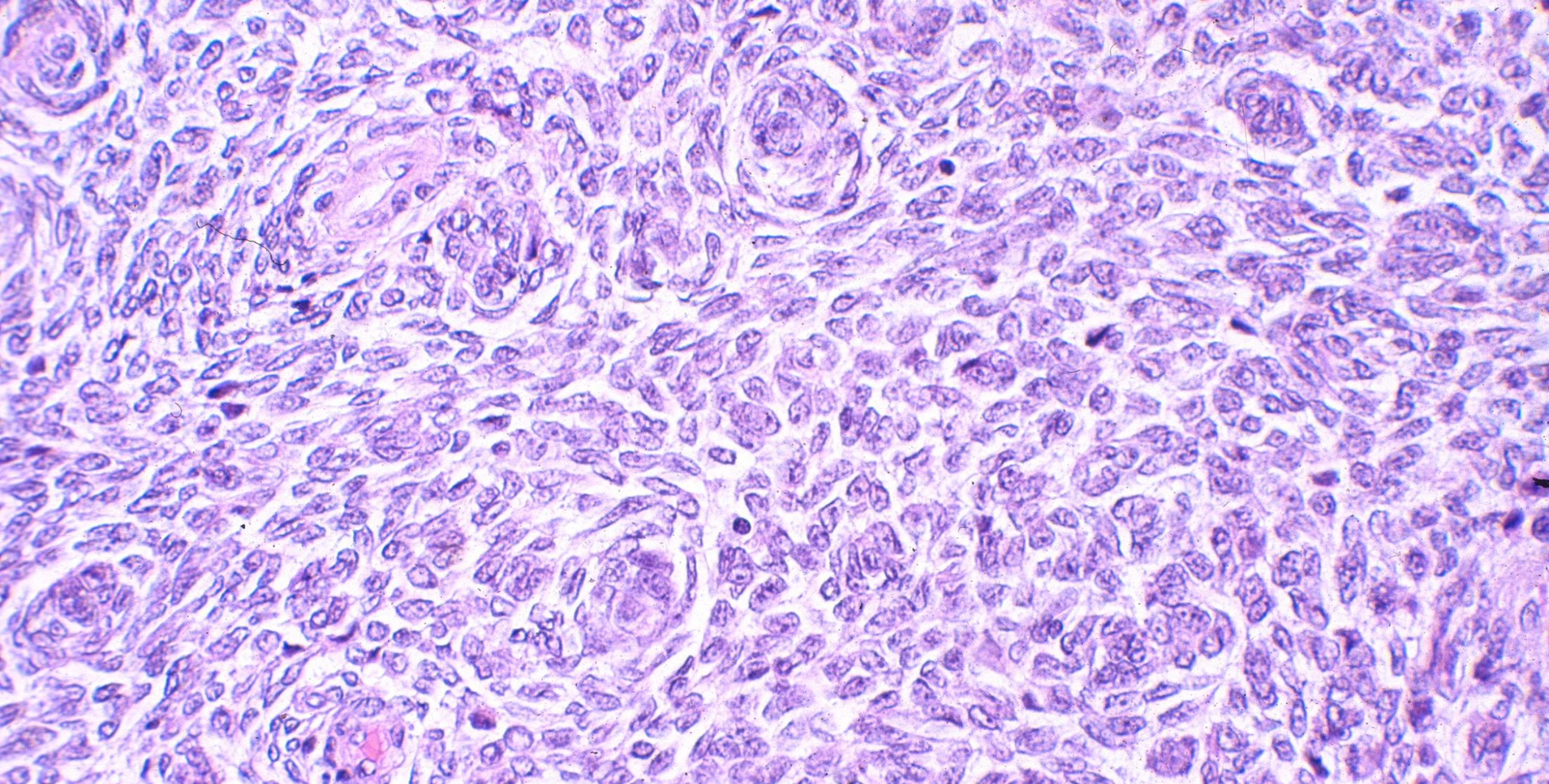
*William J. Anderson, MBChB, Fei Dong, MD, Christopher D.M. Fletcher, MD,
Michelle S. Hirsch, MD, PhD, and Marisa R. Nucci, MD*

- 15 patients
- Mutually exclusive variants in TSC1 (27%) and TSC2 (20%)
- Recurrent alterations also identified in TP53 (53%), RB1 (30%), ATRX (33%), and BRCA2 (13%)
- Important role of targeted sequencing in tumors with focal melanocytic marker expression

ENDOMETRIAL STROMAL TUMORS

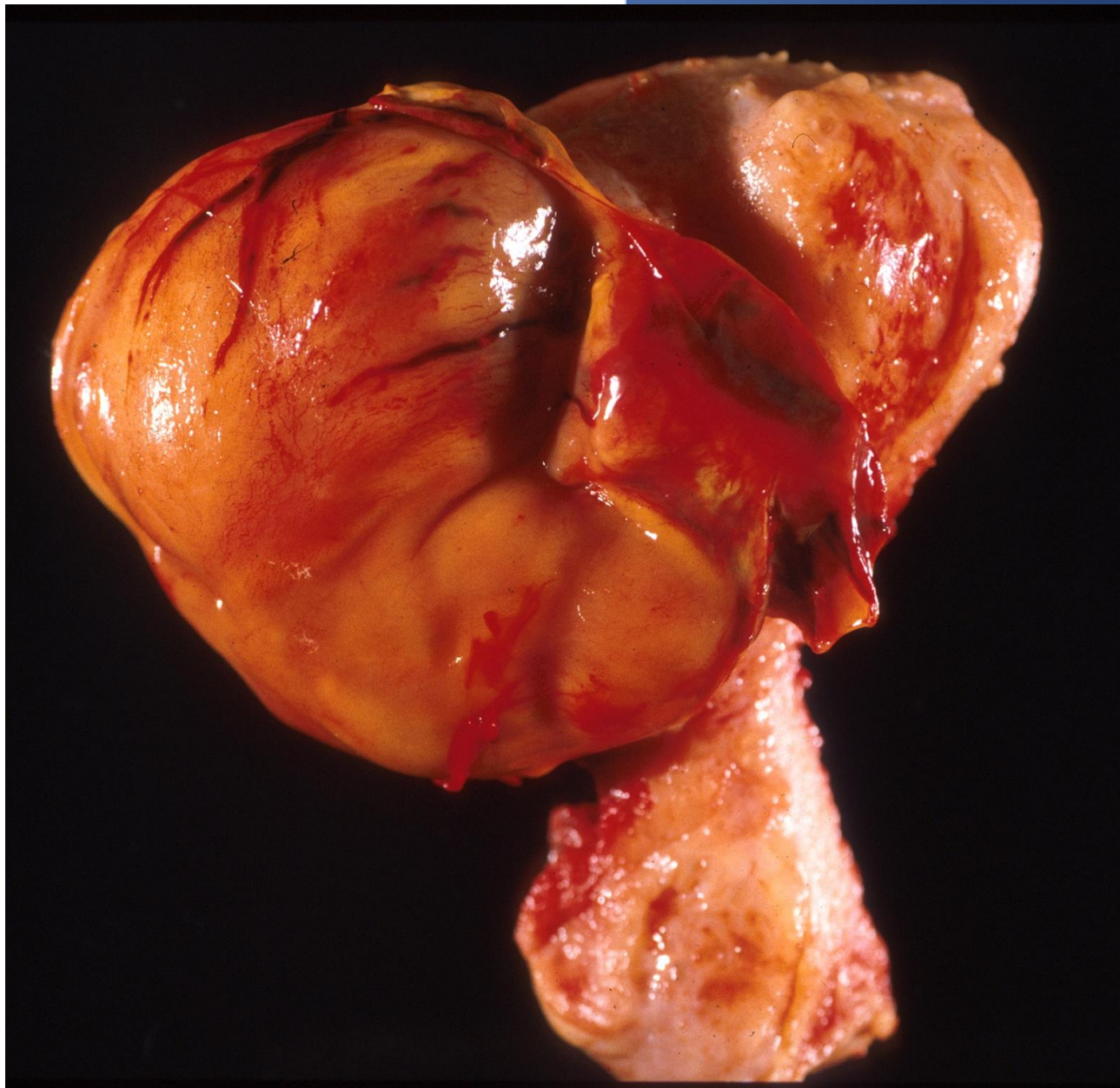
Classification

- **Endometrial Stromal Nodule**
 - **Low-Grade Endometrial Stromal Sarcoma**
 - **High-Grade Endometrial Stromal Sarcoma**
-
- **Undifferentiated Uterine (includes stromal) Sarcoma**



Identical microscopic features in ESN and ESS

ENDOMETRIAL STROMAL NODULE

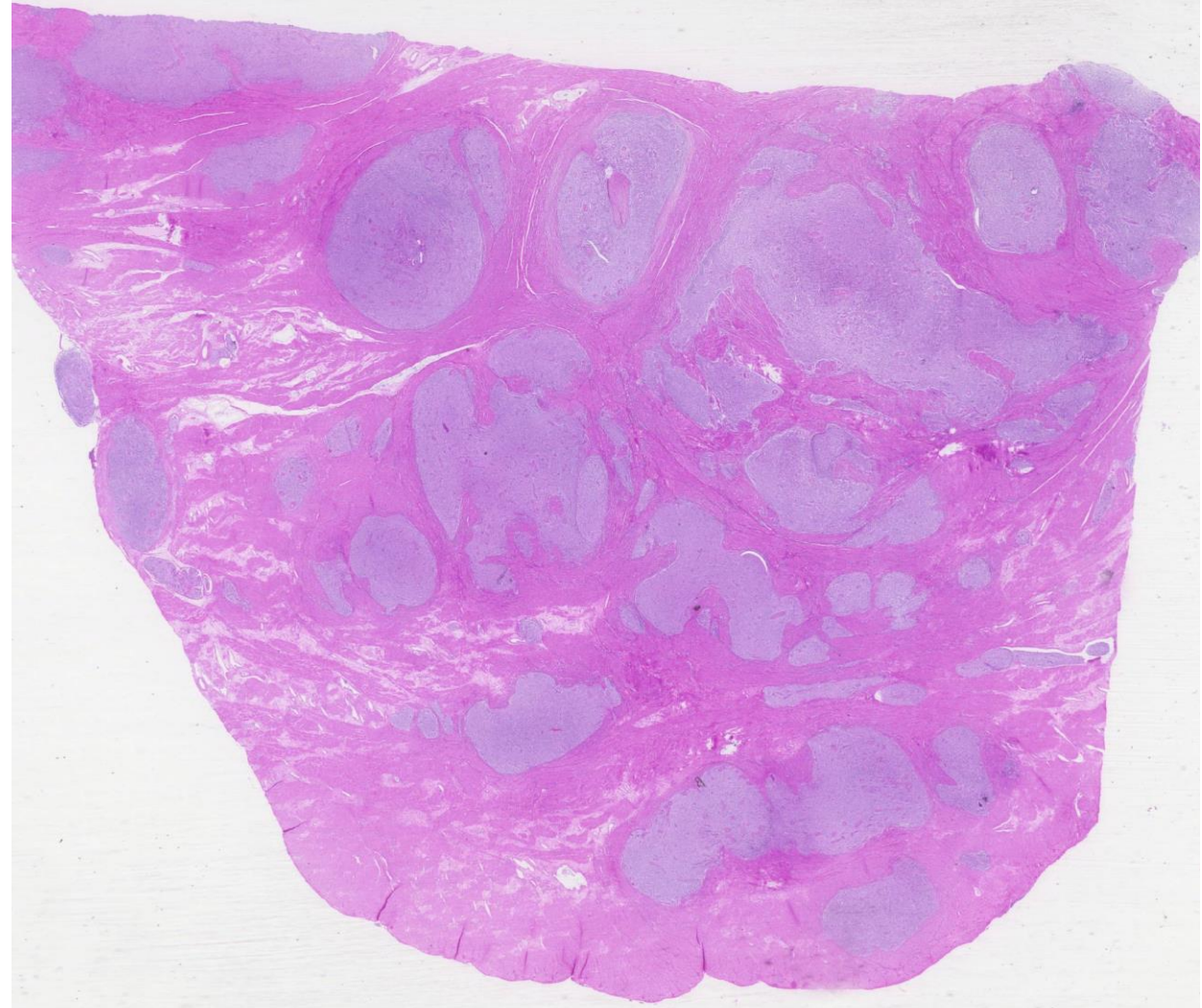
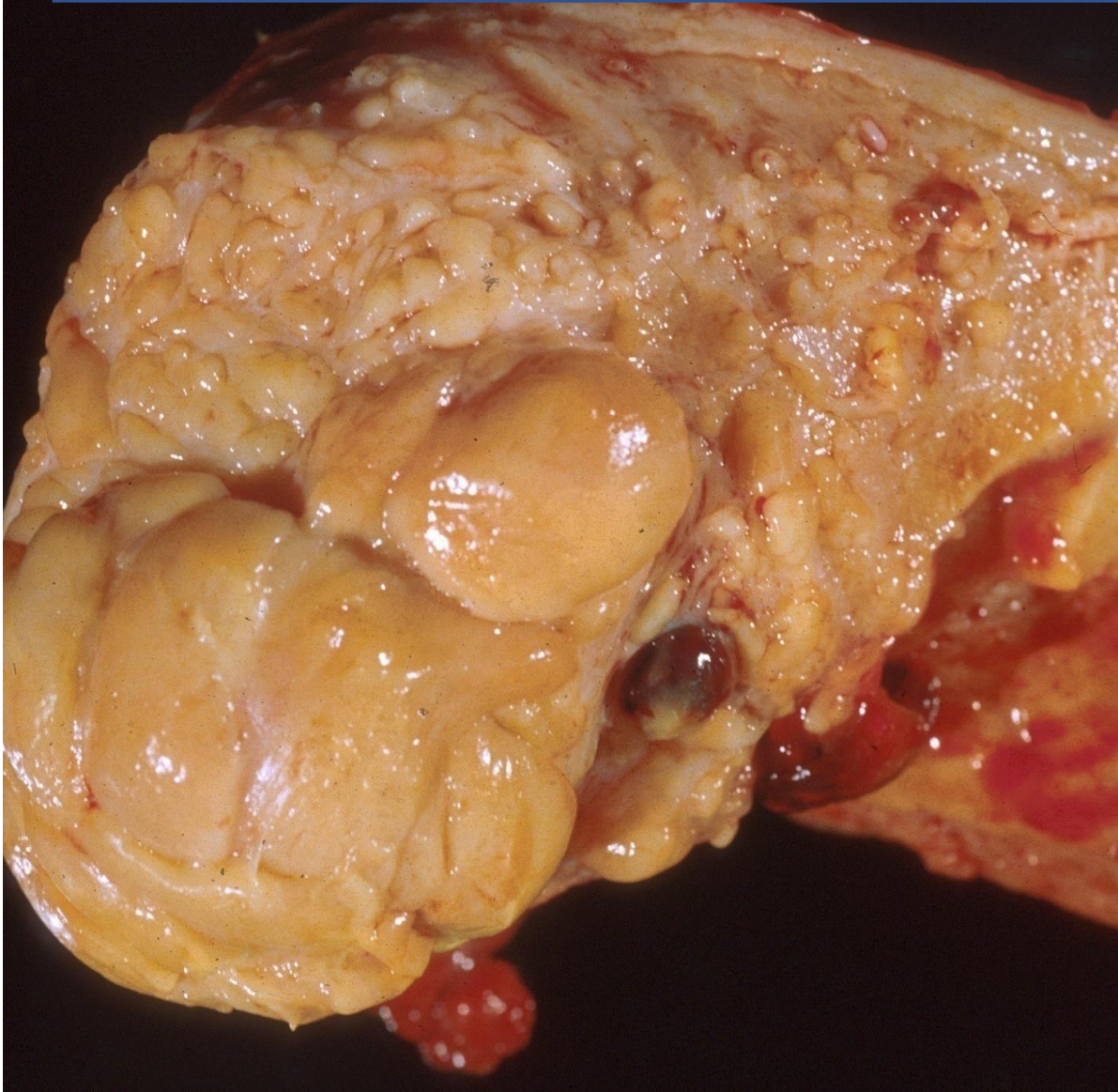


Well delineated, expansile margin on microscopic exam

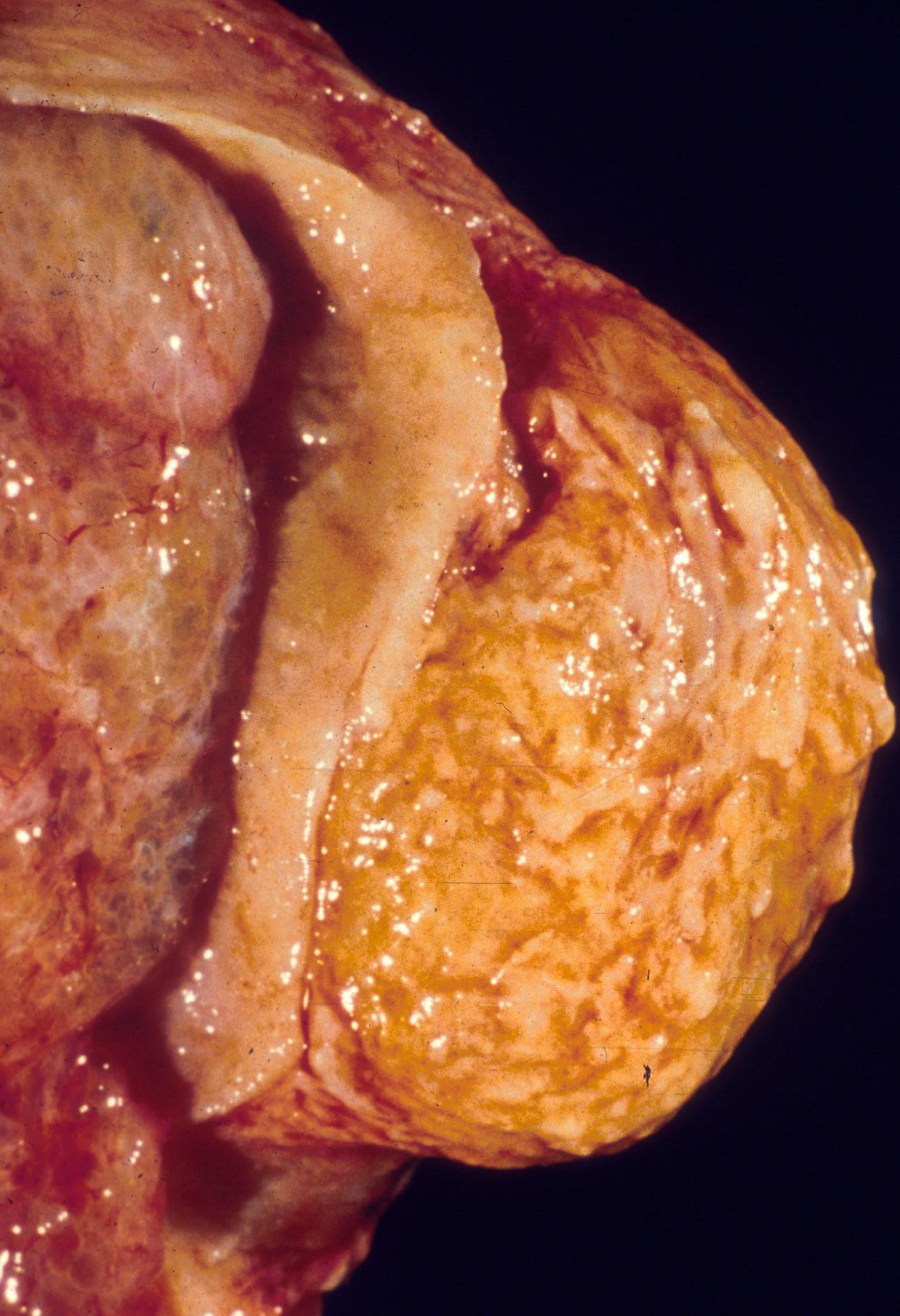
Focal irregularities: lobulated or finger-like projections (< 3) into myometrium (≤ 3 mm) allowed

No vascular invasion

LOW-GRADE ENDOMETRIAL STROMAL SARCOMA



Permeative, not destructive, growth in myometrium



Highly Cellular Leiomyoma vs Endometrial Stromal Tumor

Shared features:

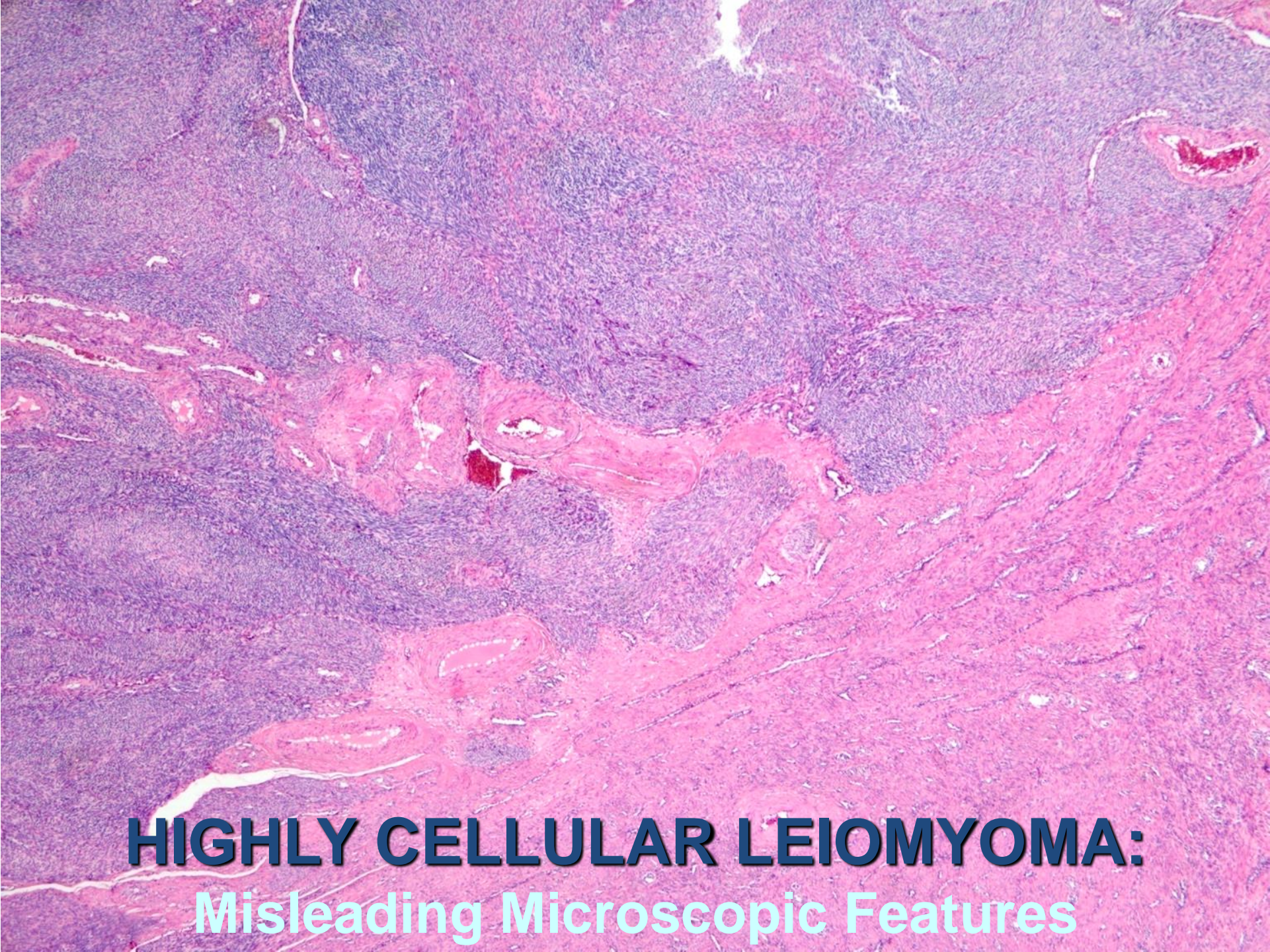
Dense cellularity

Prominent vascularity

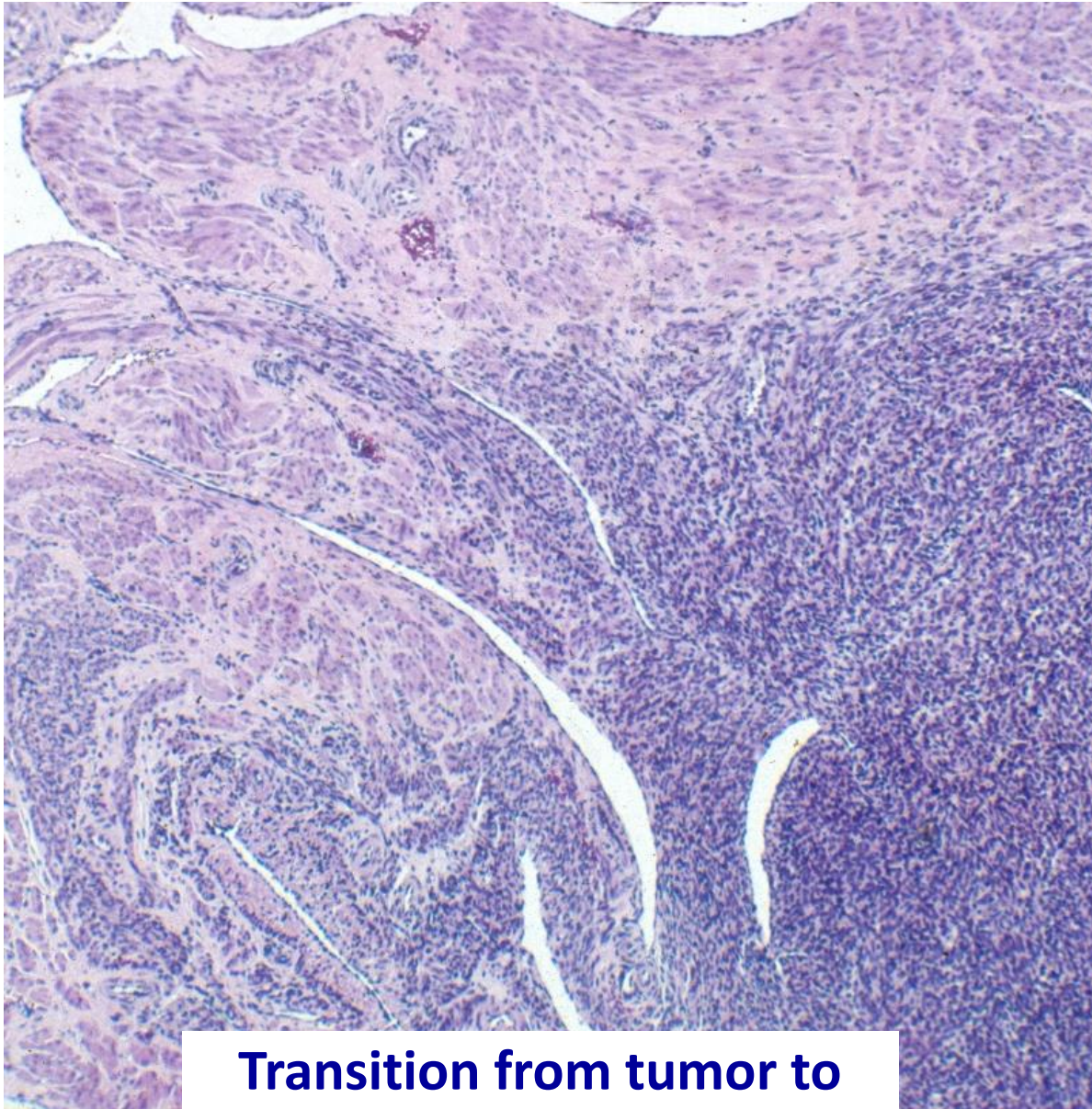
Irregular margin

The image shows a histological section of tissue stained with hematoxylin and eosin (H&E). The tissue is characterized by a high density of spindle-shaped cells with elongated, cigar-shaped nuclei and eosinophilic cytoplasm. The cells are arranged in a somewhat disorganized pattern, with some areas showing more cellular density than others. A central white diamond-shaped overlay contains text. The background tissue is a mix of purple (nuclei) and pink (cytoplasm and extracellular matrix).

**HIGHLY CELLULAR
LEIOMYOMA:**
Misleading microscopic
features



HIGHLY CELLULAR LEIOMYOMA:
Misleading Microscopic Features



Transition from tumor to surrounding myometrium



Large thick-walled vessels and cleft-like spaces

SMOOTH MUSCLE TUMOR *vs* ENDOMETRIAL STROMAL TUMOR

MOST HELPFUL PANEL:

CD10 + DESMIN + h-CALDESMON

Correlation with morphology is key

HIGH-GRADE ENDOMETRIAL STROMAL SARCOMA

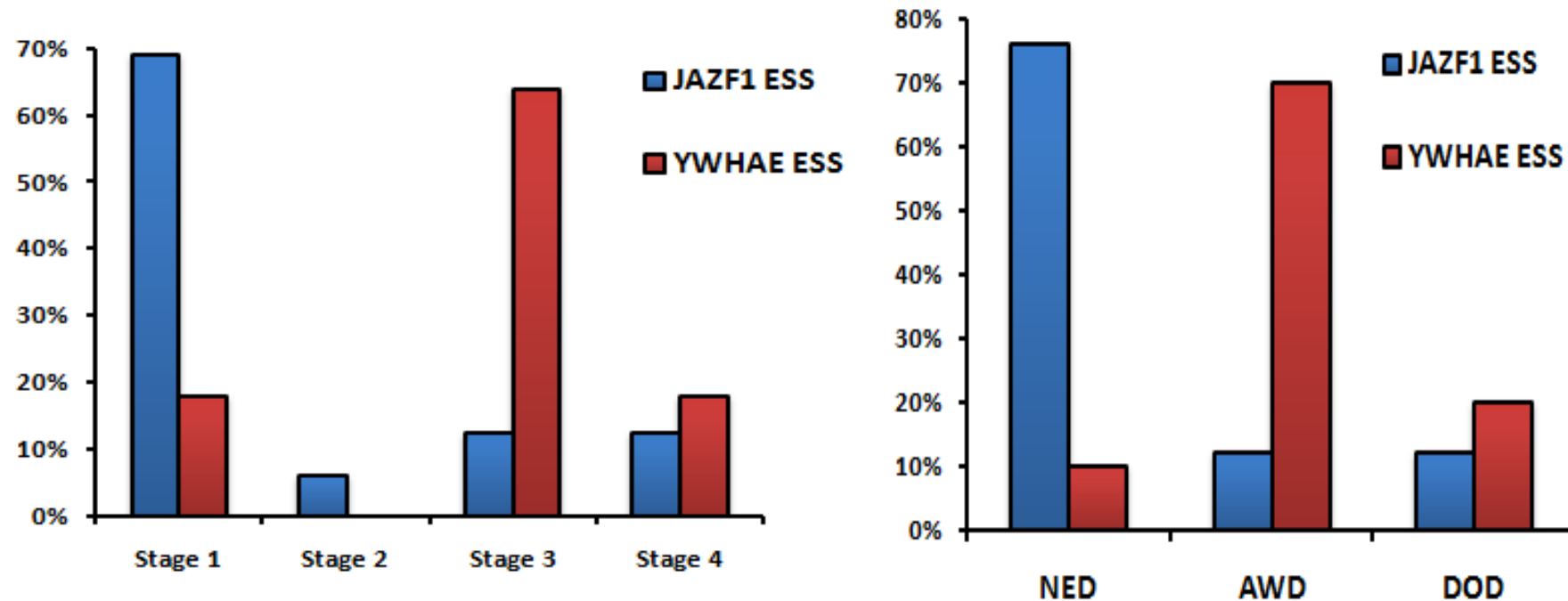
Definition:

Tumor with morphologic features that differs from the “proliferative”-type morphology seen in typical endometrial stromal sarcomas although some are associated with a low-grade component

HIGH-GRADE YWHAE-FAM22 ENDOMETRIAL STROMAL SARCOMA

Clinical Features

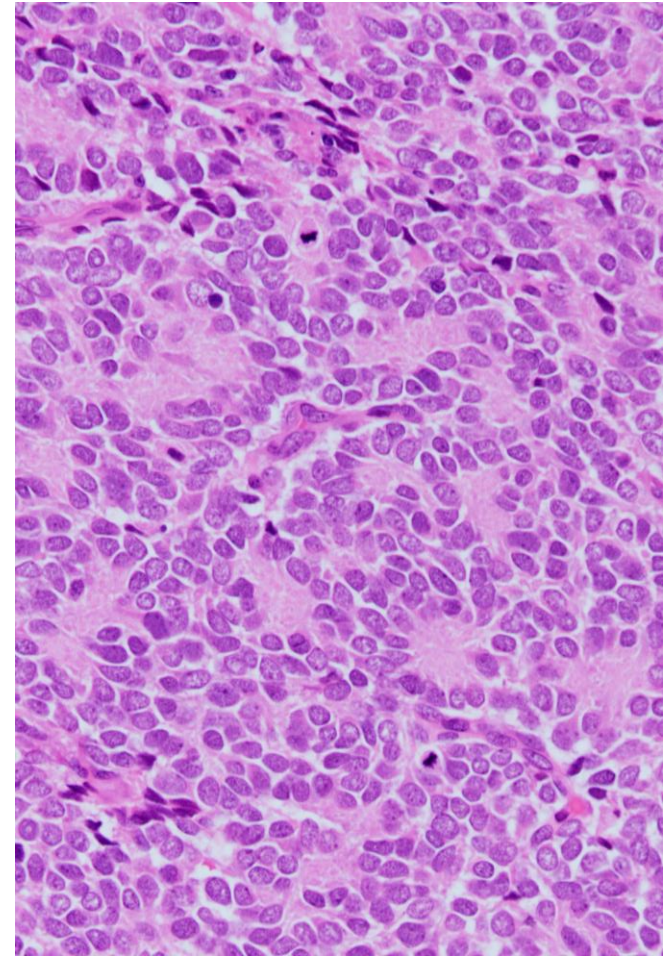
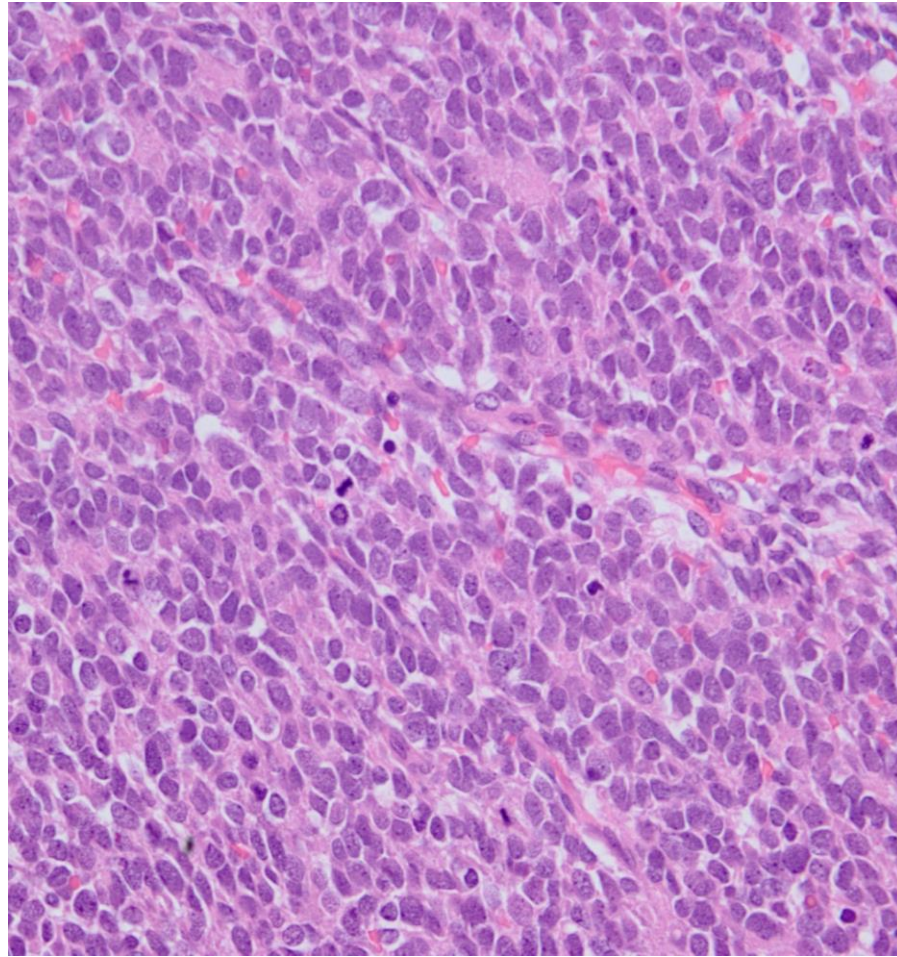
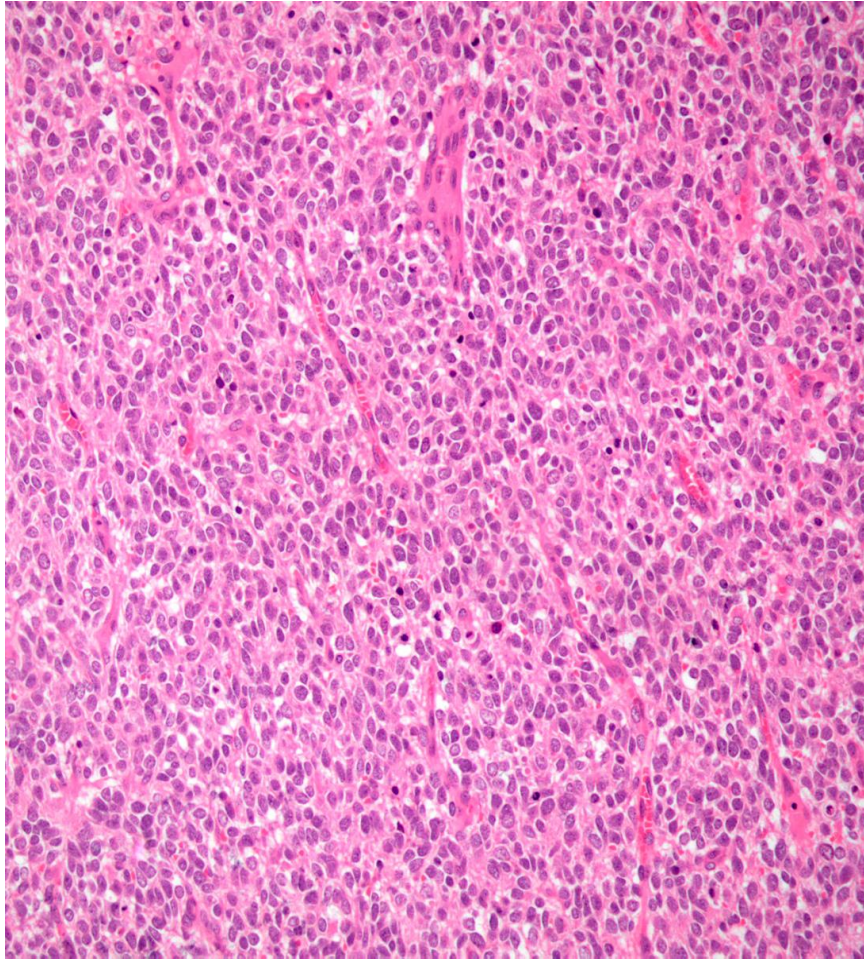
Age at presentation: 28 to 67 years (median 50)



Cheng-Han Lee et al, Am J Surg Pathol 2012

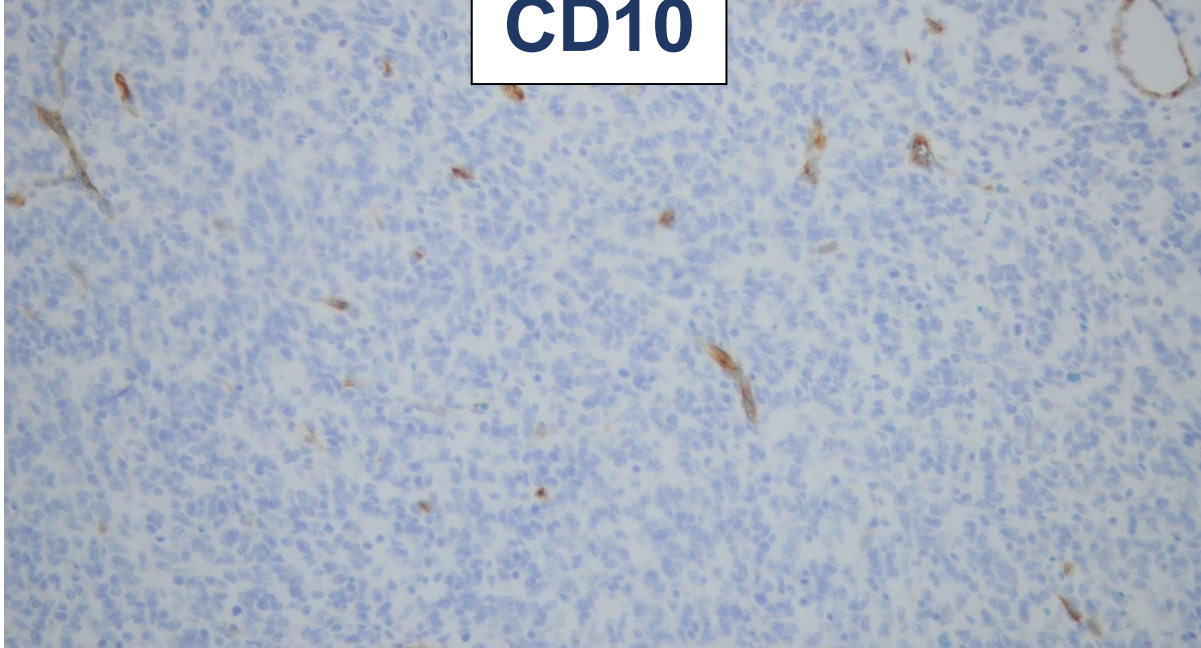


YWHAЕ-FAM22
High-Grade Endometrial
Stromal Sarcoma
t(10,17)

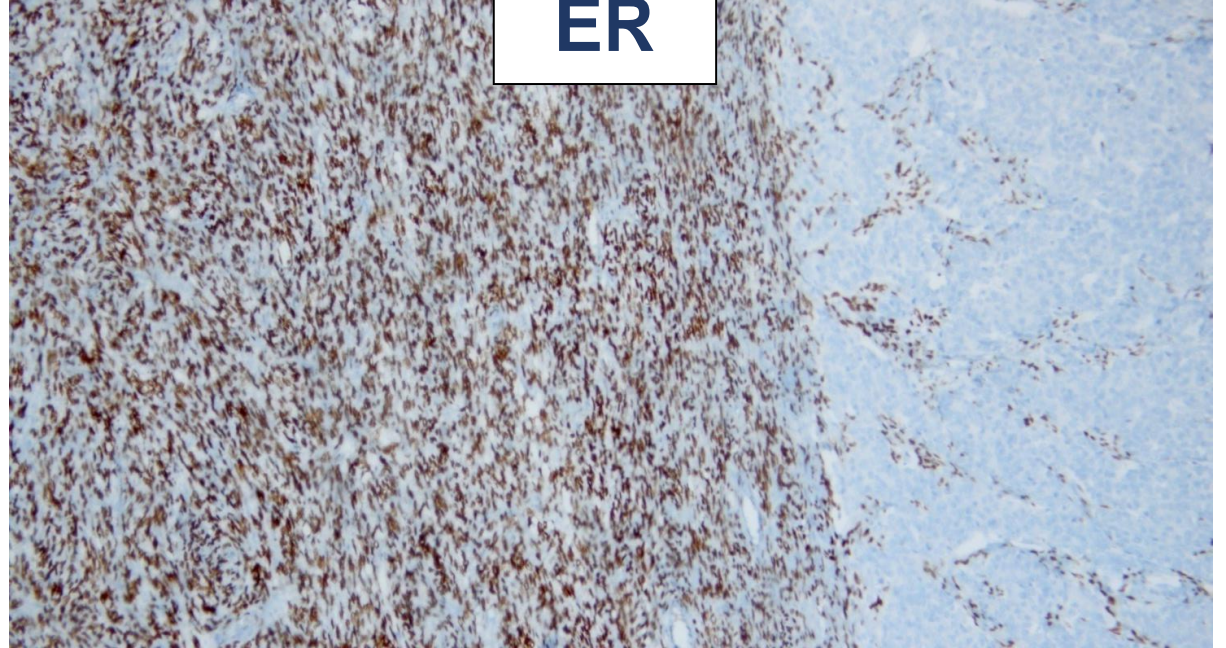


YWHAE-FAM22 HIGH-GRADE ENDOMETRIAL STROMAL SARCOMA

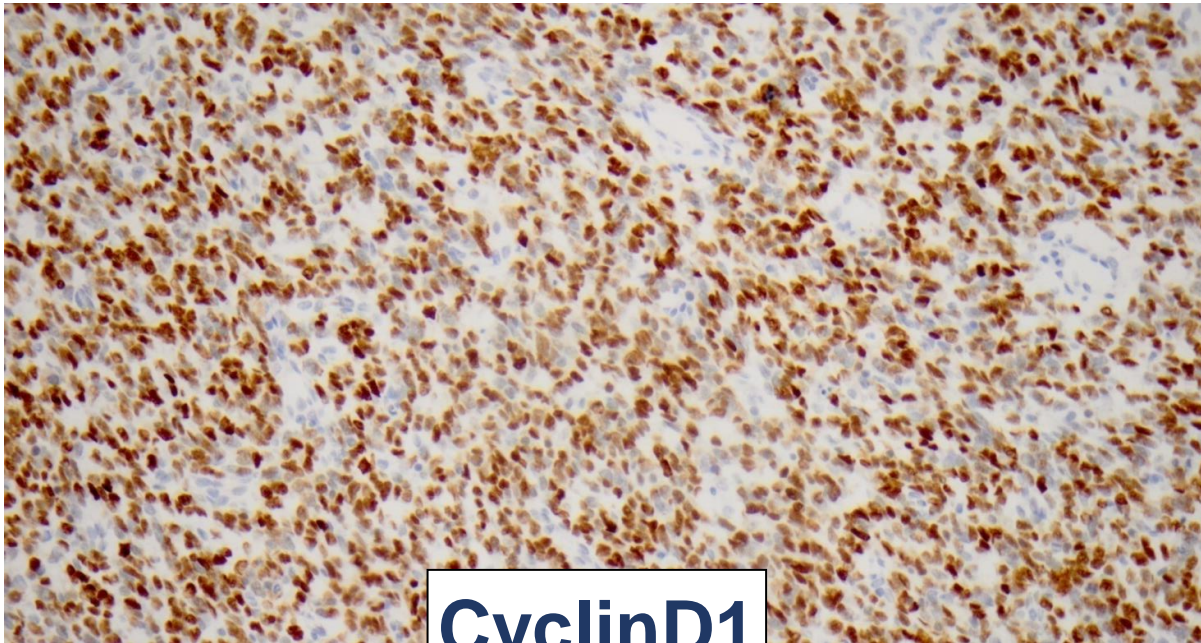
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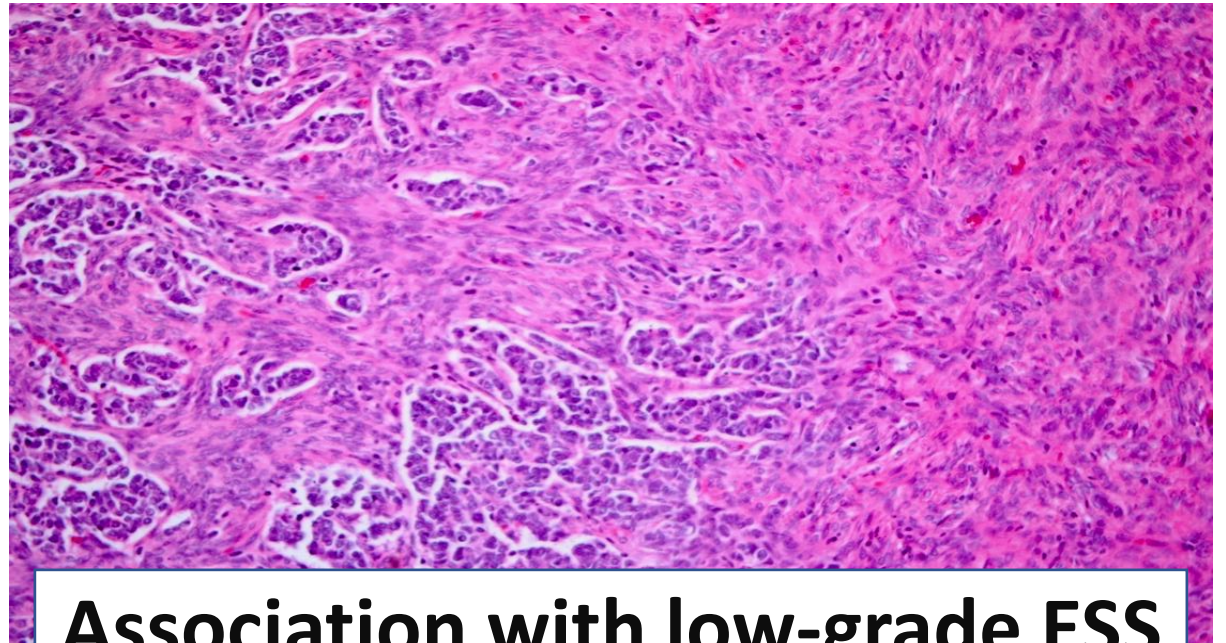
ER



CyclinD1



Association with low-grade ESS





BCOR

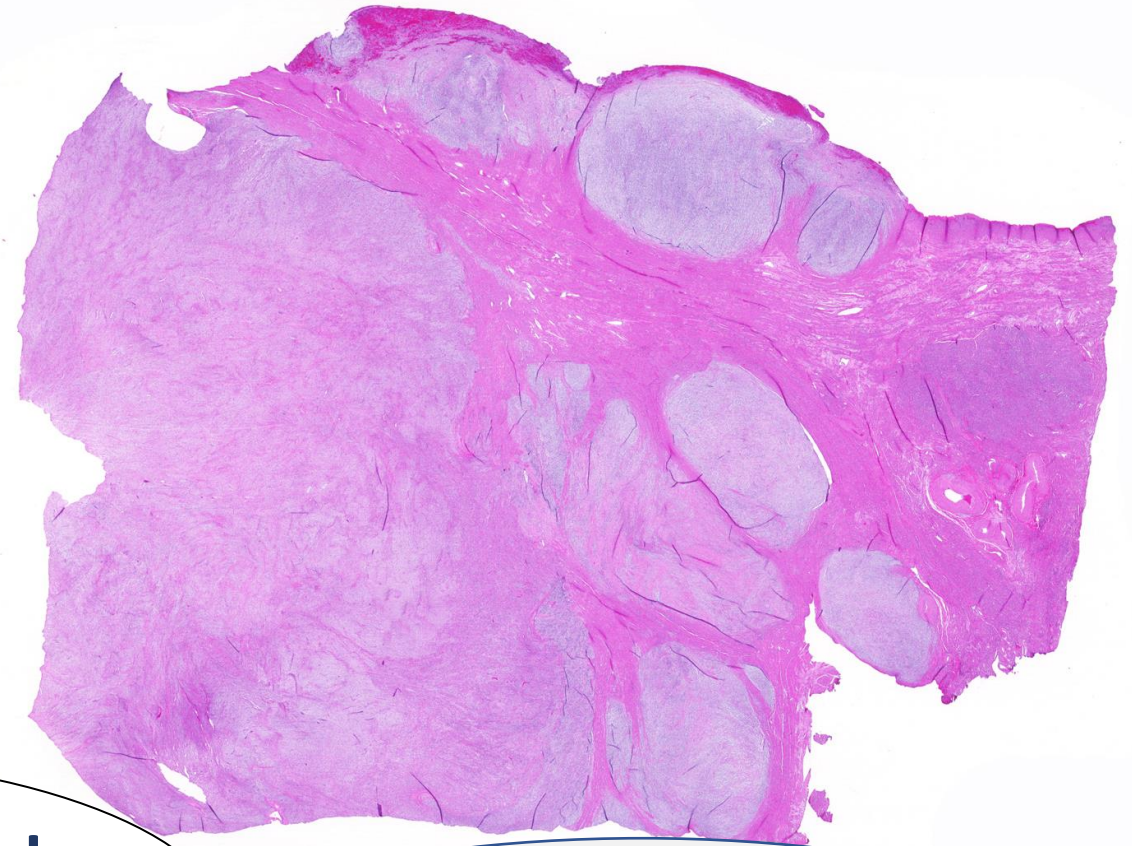
**SURROGATE
MARKER for
almost all
high-grade
ESS**

ZC3H7B-BCOR HIGH-GRADE ENDOMETRIAL STROMAL SARCOMA

Modern Pathol 2018

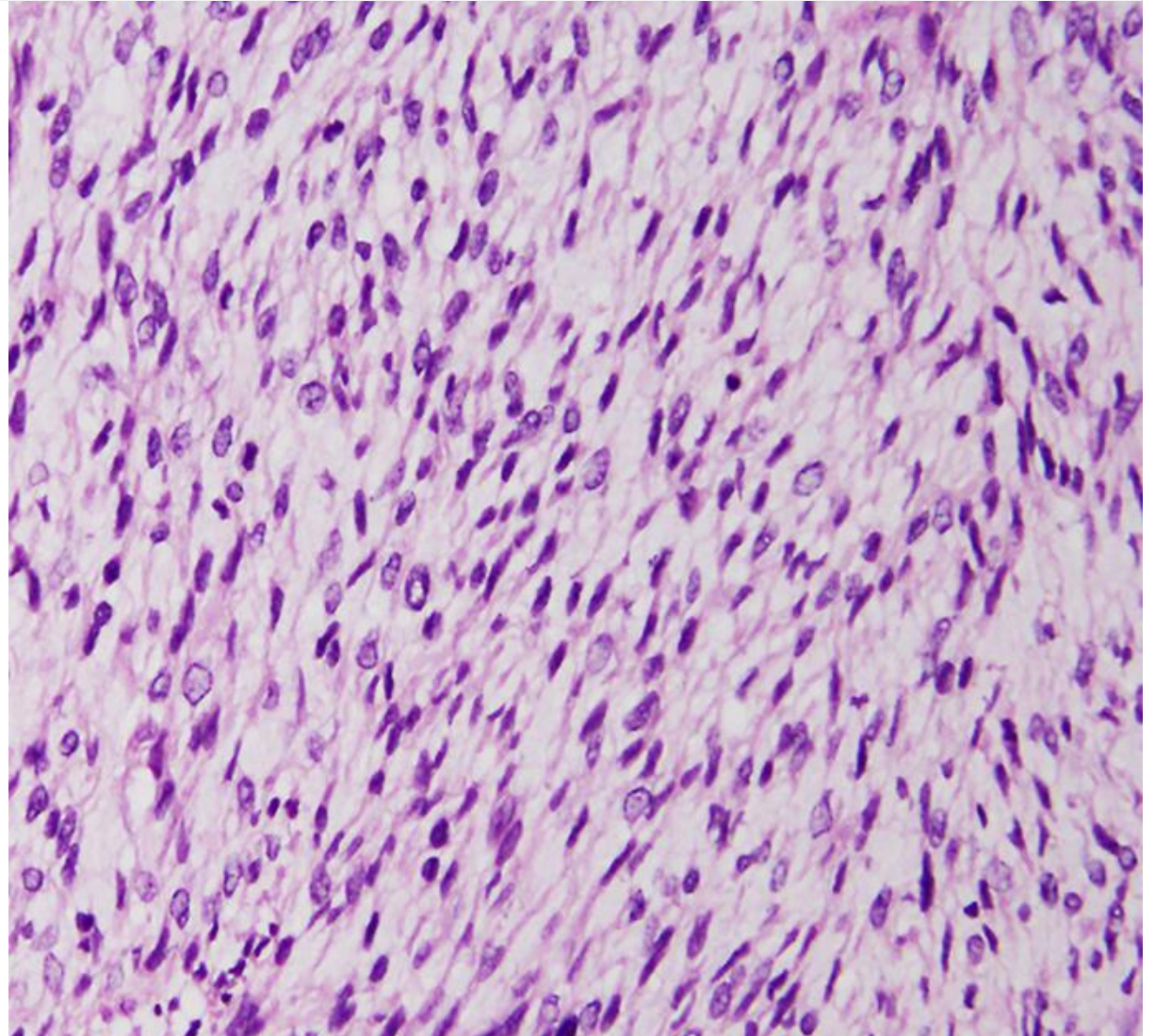
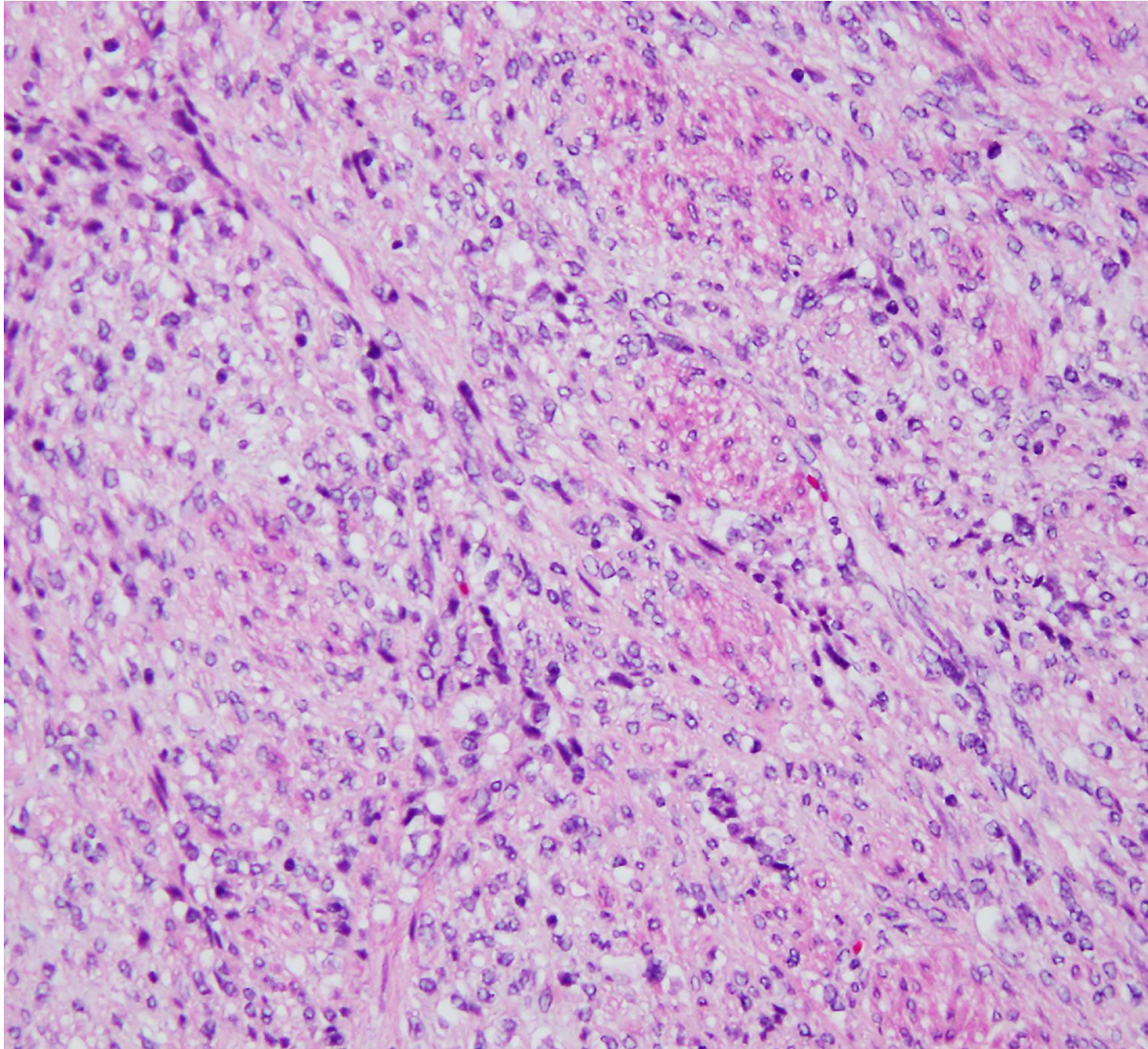


Tongue-like, broad front, or destructive

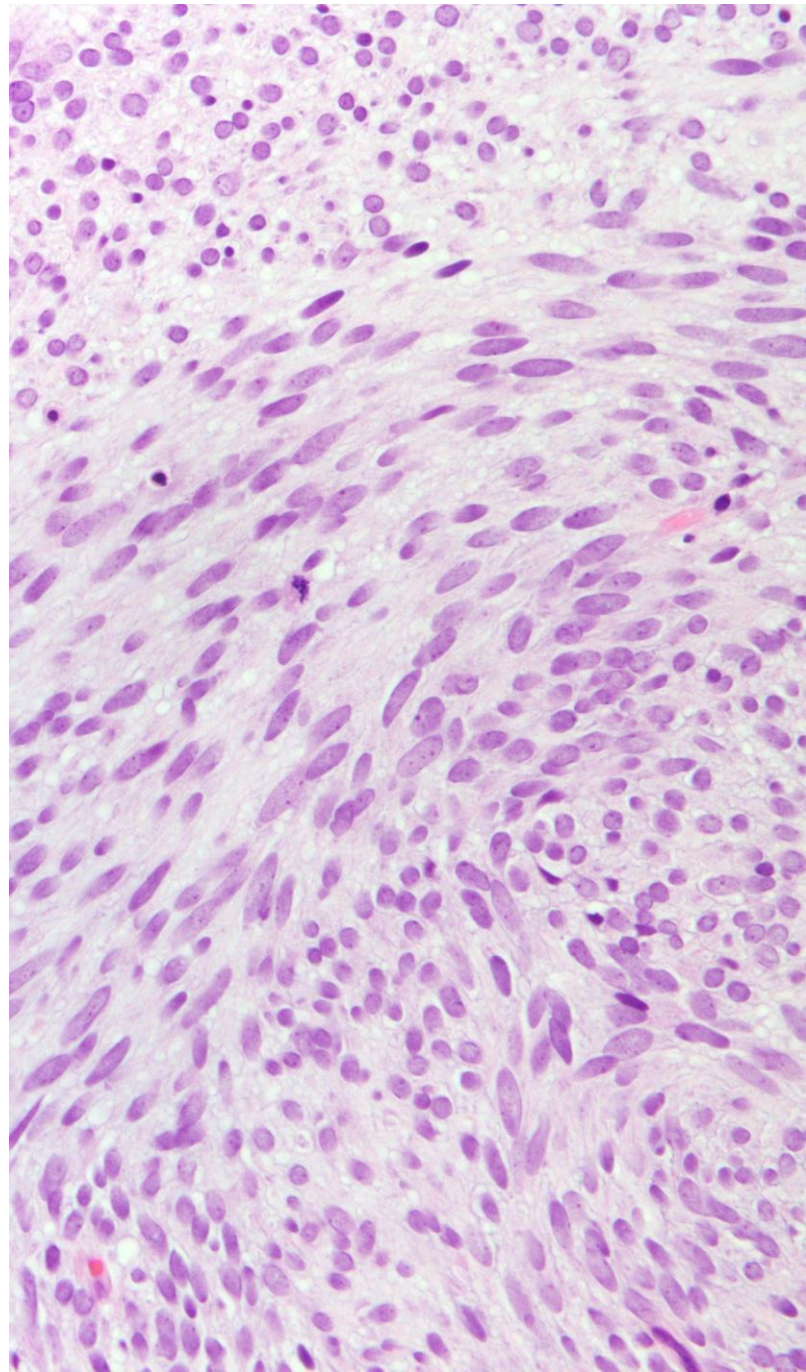
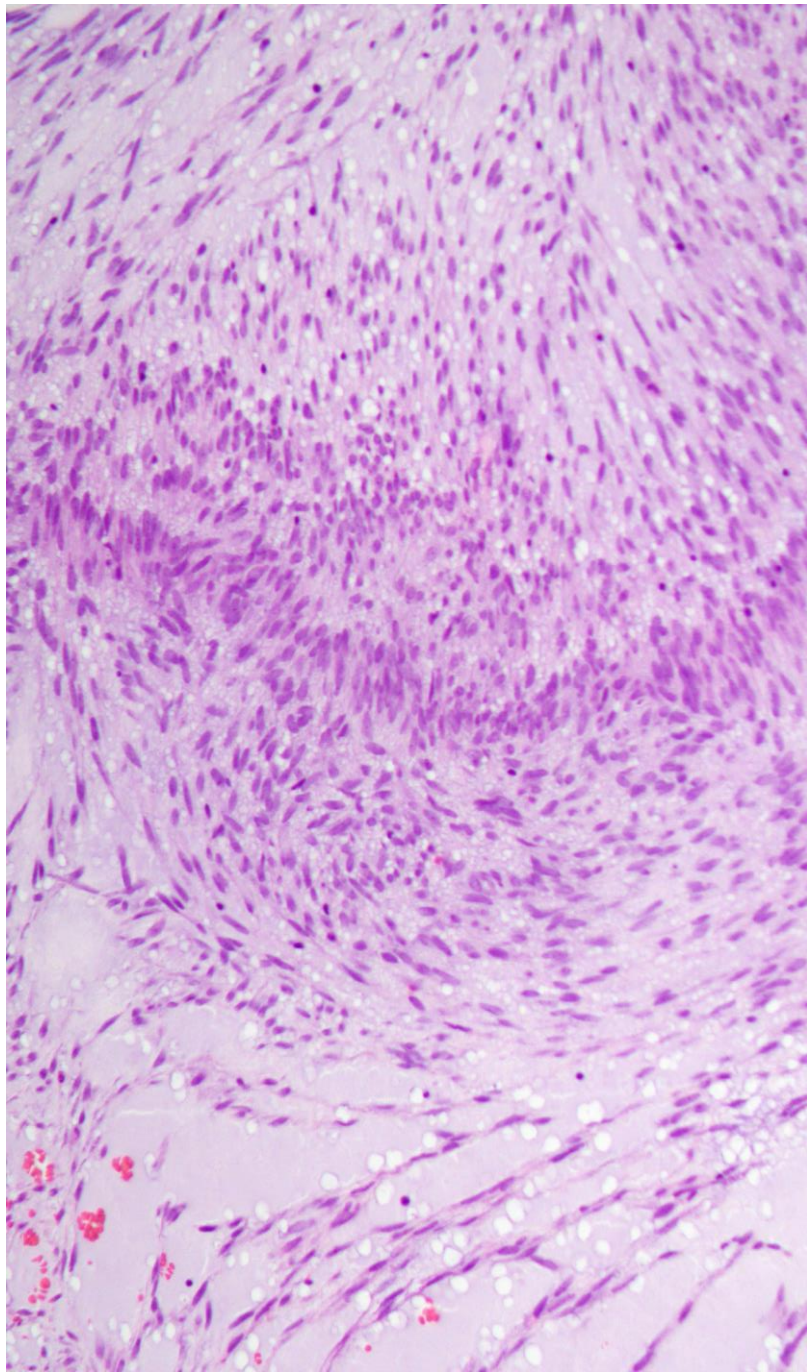
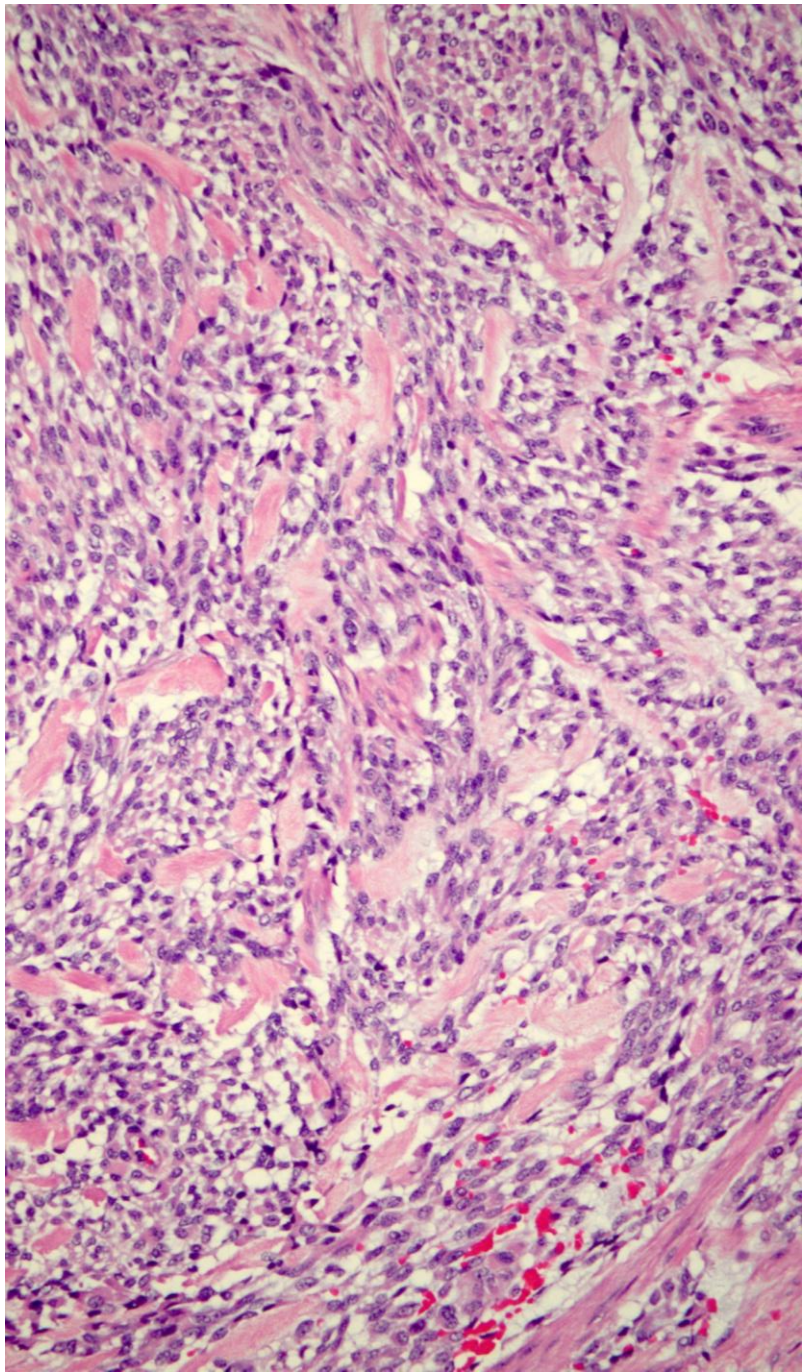


More aggressive behavior compared to low-grade tumors

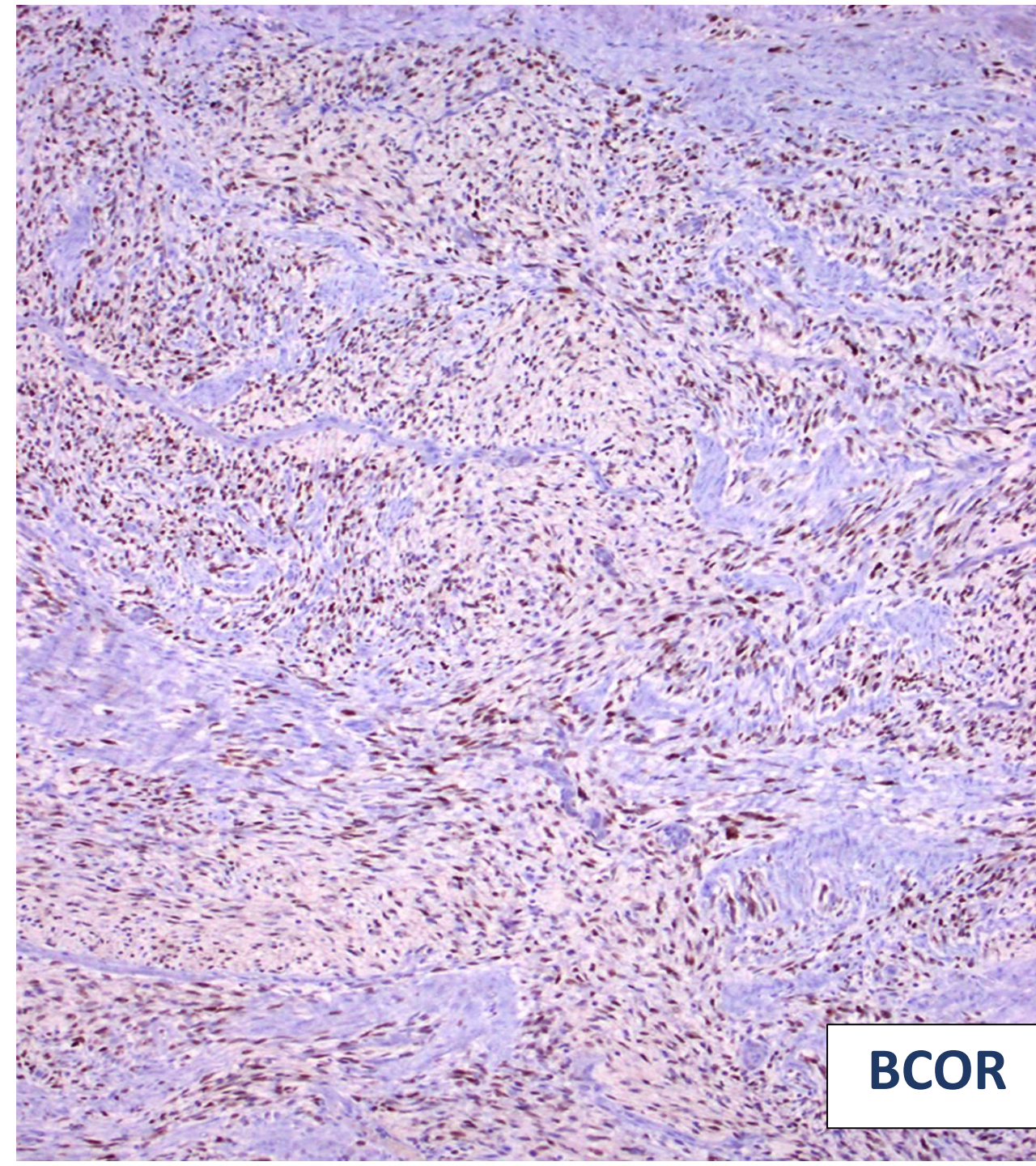
BCOR-ZC3H7B HIGH-GRADE ENDOMETRIAL STROMAL SARCOMA



**CLOSELY MIMICS MYXOID LEIOMYOSARCOMA,
up to 25% misdiagnosed as such in different series**

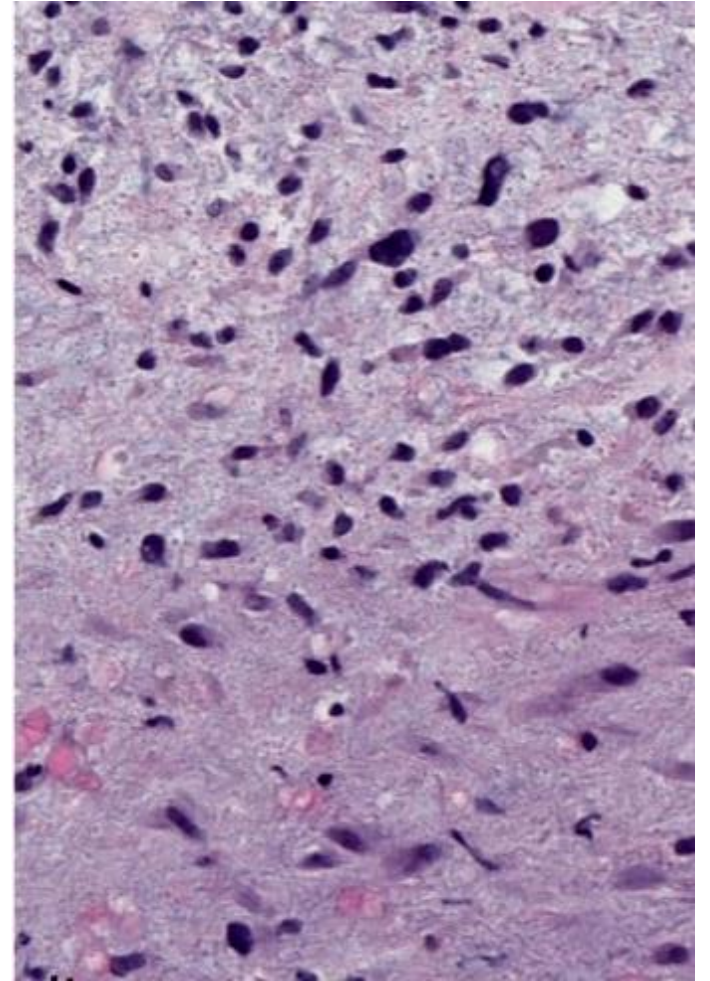
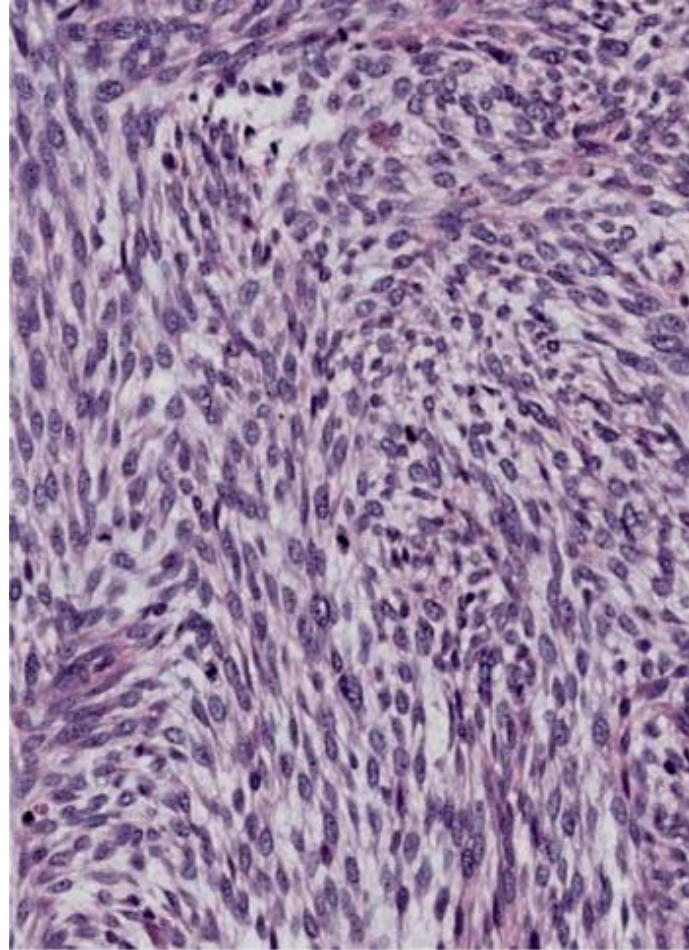
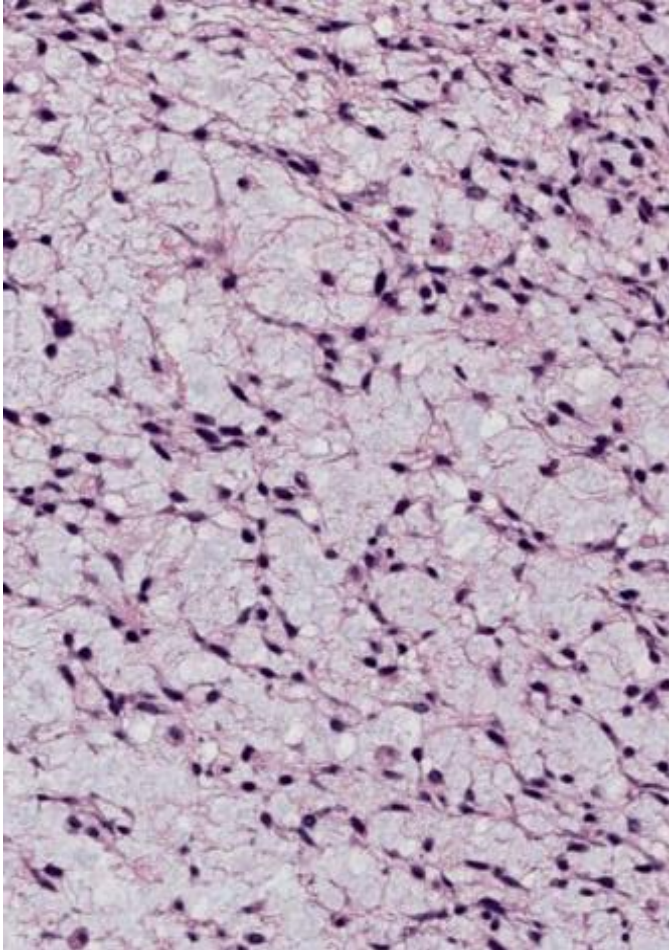


	CD10	ER	PR	CyclinD1	BCOR	Desmin	SMA	Caldesmon
ESN	+ D	+ D	+ D	-/+ F	-/+ F	-/+ F/D	+ D	+ F/D
LG-ESS	+ D	+ D	+ D	-/+ F	-/+ F	-/+ F/D	+ D	+ F/D
<i>YWHAE-NUT2A/B</i> HG-ESS Low-grade areas	+ D	+ D	+ D	-/+ F	-/+ F	-	-	-
<i>YWHAE-NUT2A/B</i> HG-ESS High-grade areas	-	-	-	+ D	+ D	-	-	-
<i>ZC3H7B-BCOR</i> HG-ESS	+ D	-/+ F	-/+ F	+ D	-/+ F/D	-	-/+ F	-/+ F
<i>BCOR</i> ITD HG-ESS	+ F/D	-	-	+ D	+ F/D	-/+ F	-	-



BCOR

In a malignant myxoid spindle cell tumor negative for BCOR and muscle markers showing diffuse cyclinD1 expression perform MOLECULAR STUDIES



BCORL1 ENDOMETRIAL STROMAL SARCOMAS (Modern Pathol 2021)

Can I have other types of high-grade ESS?

YES

When can I make this diagnosis?

WHEN AN ASSOCIATED
LOW-GRADE ESS IS SEEN

High-grade transformation of low-grade endometrial stromal sarcomas lacking *YWHAE* and *BCOR* genetic abnormalities

JAZF1-SUZ12 (n = 6), JAZF1-PHF1 (n = 3), EPC1-PHF1, (n = 1), or BRD8-PHF1 (n = 1) fusions were detected in 11/12 tumors

Modern Pathol 2020

ESR1 hotspot mutations in endometrial stromal sarcoma with high-grade transformation and endocrine treatment

Modern Pathol 2022

UNDIFFERENTIATED UTERINE SARCOMAS REPRESENT UNDERRECOGNIZED
HIGH-GRADE ENDOMETRIAL STROMAL SARCOMAS
Chiang S et al, Am J Surg Pathol 2020

10 “UNDIFFERENTIATED SARCOMAS”

BCOR IHC

FISH: BCOR, ZC3H7B, CCNB3, YWHAE, NUTM2, JAZF1, BCORL1

Targeted RNA sequencing if no rearrangement or lack of partner

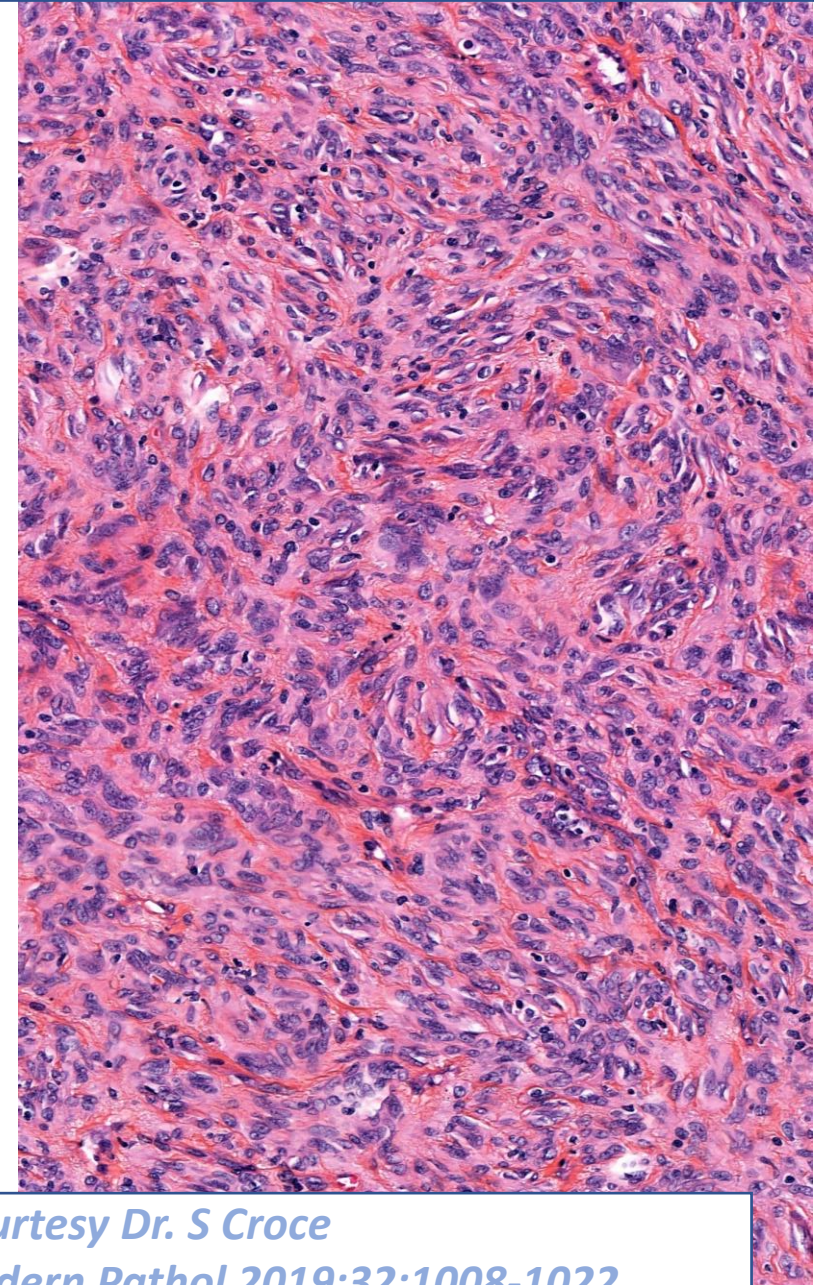
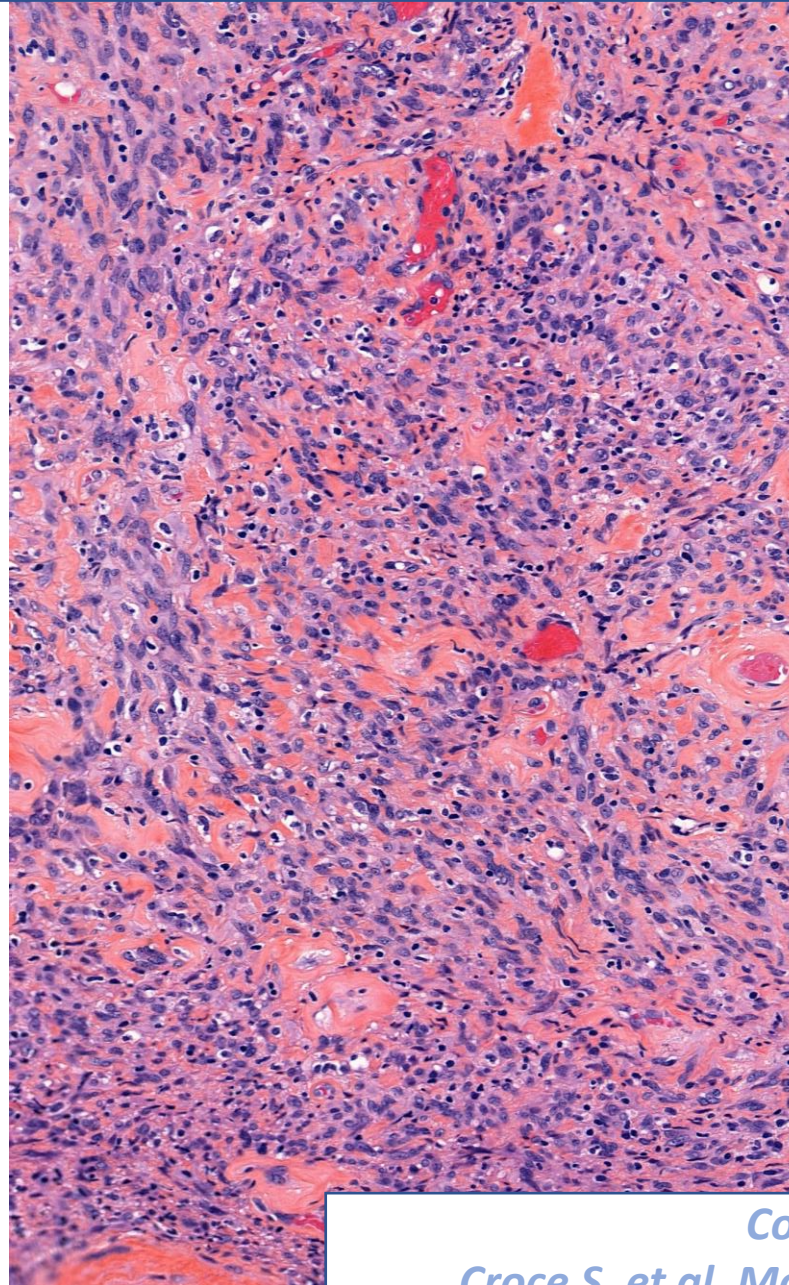
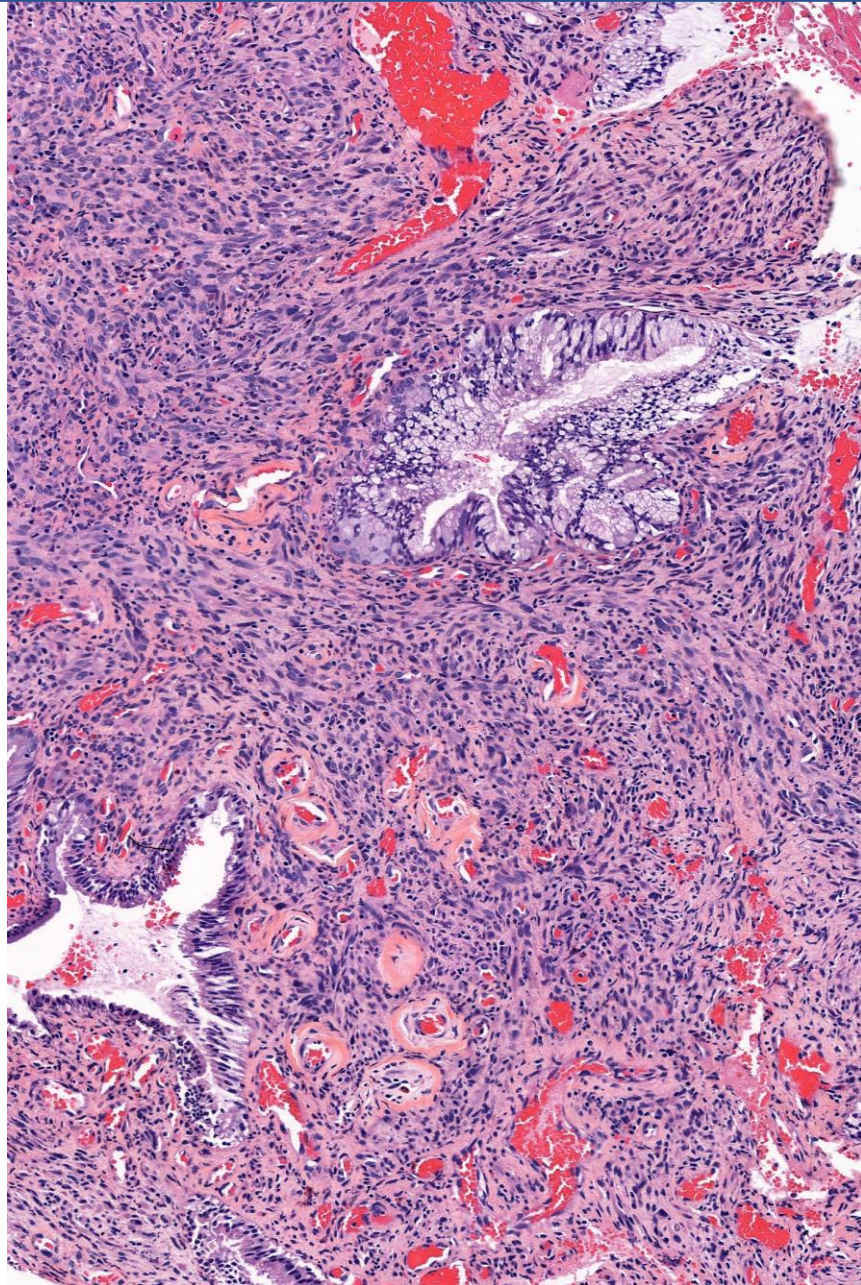
BCOR IHC in >50% of cells in 8/10 and <5% and negative in one each

FISH: ZC3H7B-BCOR and YWHAE-NUTM2 in 3 tumors with uniform features

YWHAE rearrangement with no partner in 2 pleomorphic sarcomas

Targeted RNA sequencing: BRD8-PHF1, YWHAE-NUTM2, and BCOR ITD in 4

NTRK-REARRANGED CERVICAL SPINDLE CELL NEOPLASM

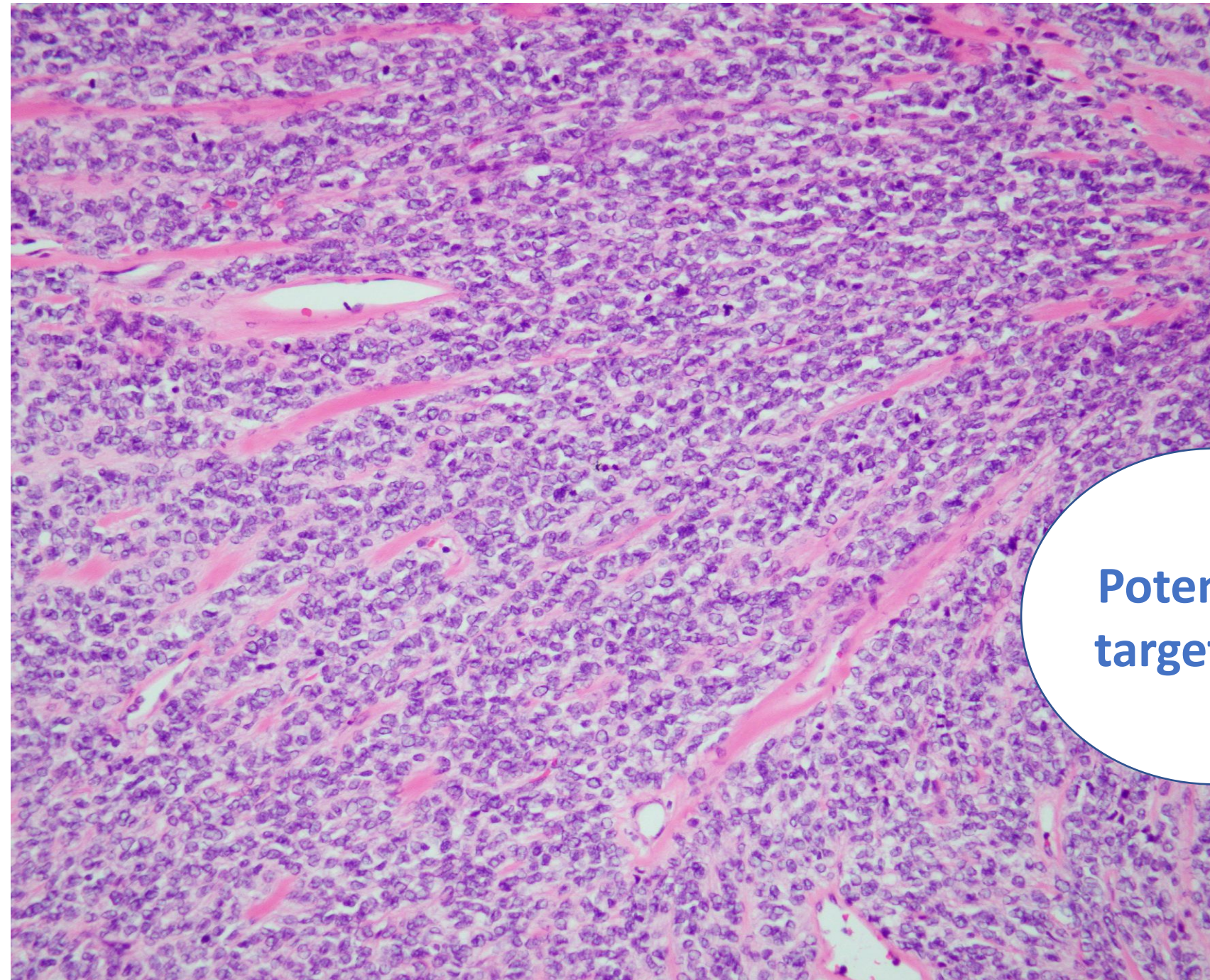


Courtesy Dr. S Croce

Croce S, et al, Modern Pathol 2019;32:1008-1022

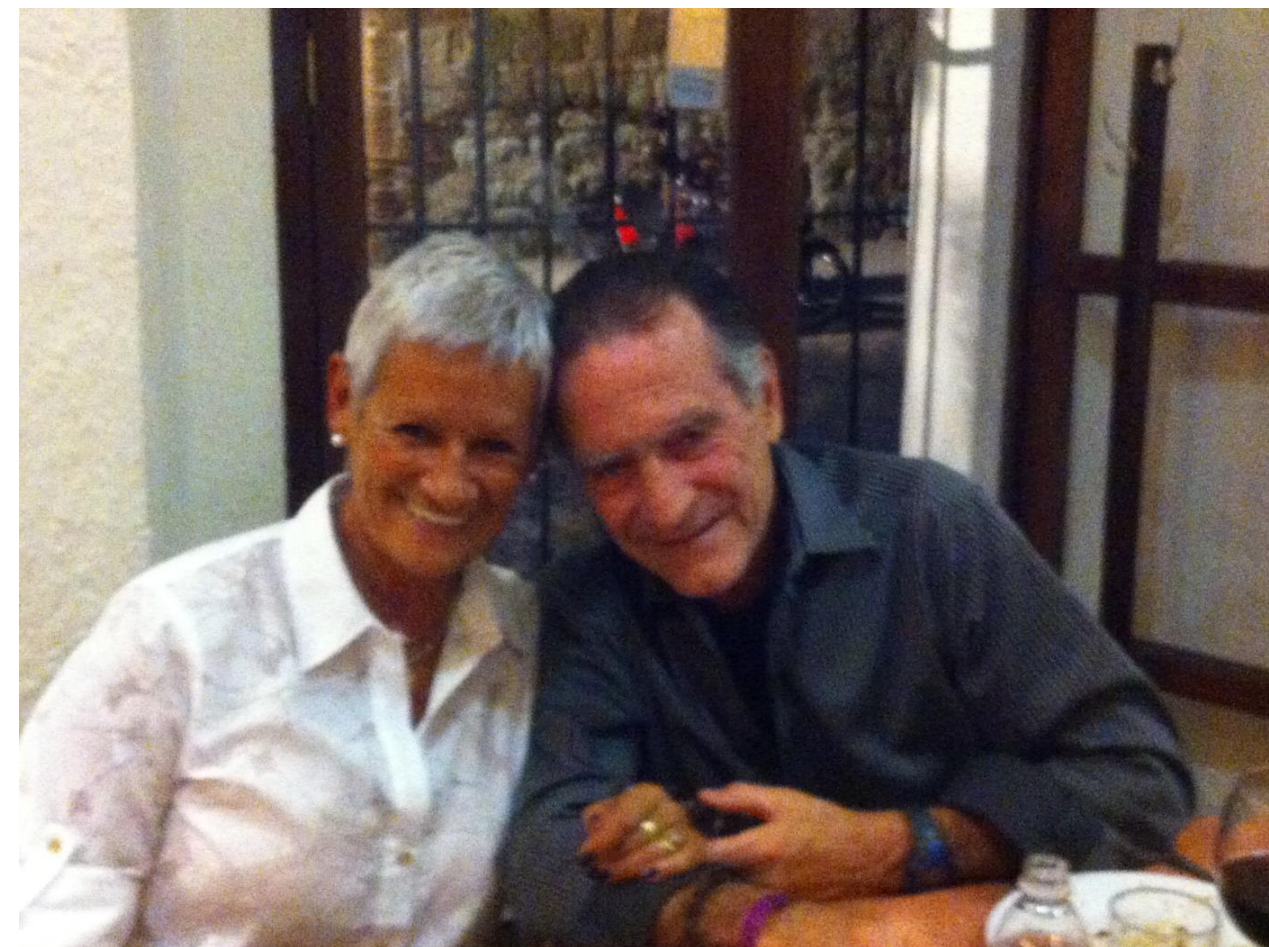
**NTRK-REARRANGED
CERVICAL SPINDLE CELL
NEOPLASM**

**Potentially
targetable!**



CONCLUSIONS

- Integration of gross, morphologic, immunohistochemical features key
- Panel of antibodies, but not a single stain should be used as the latter may lead to the incorrect diagnosis
- Overlapping morphologic features and immunohistochemical staining patterns exist within different tumors
- If unusual (morphology or immunohistochemical profile), molecular testing may be helpful
- Establishing correct diagnosis important as at least some mesenchymal tumors may be treated with specific targeted therapy

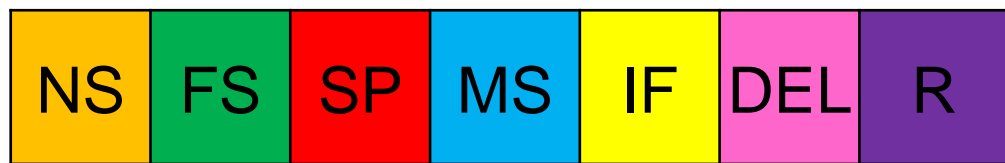




Thank you !!!!

TSC Alterations are Common in PEComas

	1	2	3	4	5*	6	7	8*	9a	9b	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19		
<i>TSC1</i>				NS	DEL	FS	NS		NS	FS		NS	NS	SP		R	DEL					
<i>TSC2</i>	DEL	DEL		V				V	SP						FS		R	DEL	MS	FS	V	FS
<i>TFE3</i>																R						



*=tuberous sclerosis, V=VUS

TSC1: 9/19 (47%)
TSC2: 8/19 (42%)