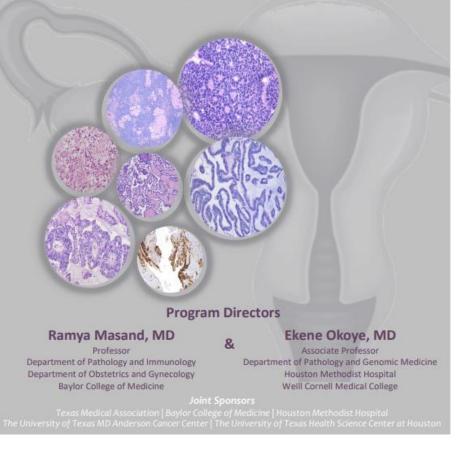


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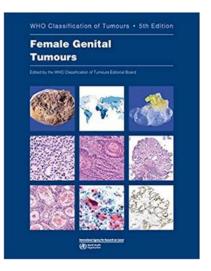


#### Ovarian Epithelial Tumors in Soundbites

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Making Cancer History\*



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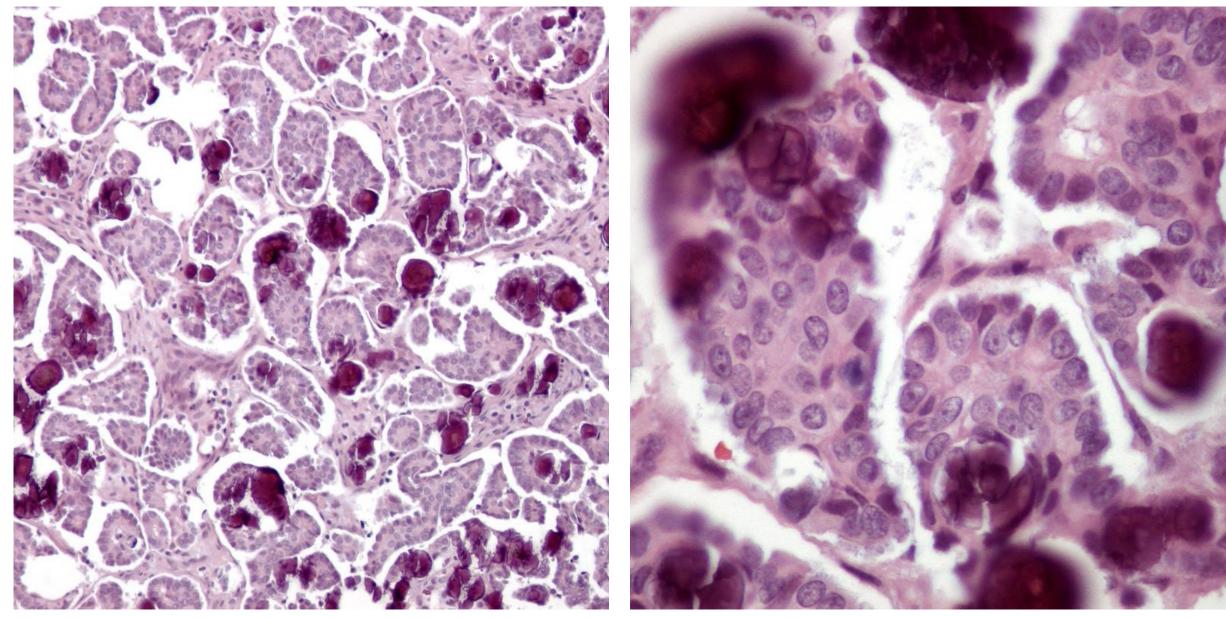


- Serous Carcinoma Low Grade High Grade
- Mucinous Carcinoma
- Endometrioid Carcinoma
- Clear Cell Carcinoma
- Others:

Mesonephric-like Carcinoma Malignant Brenner Tumor

Practical Issues

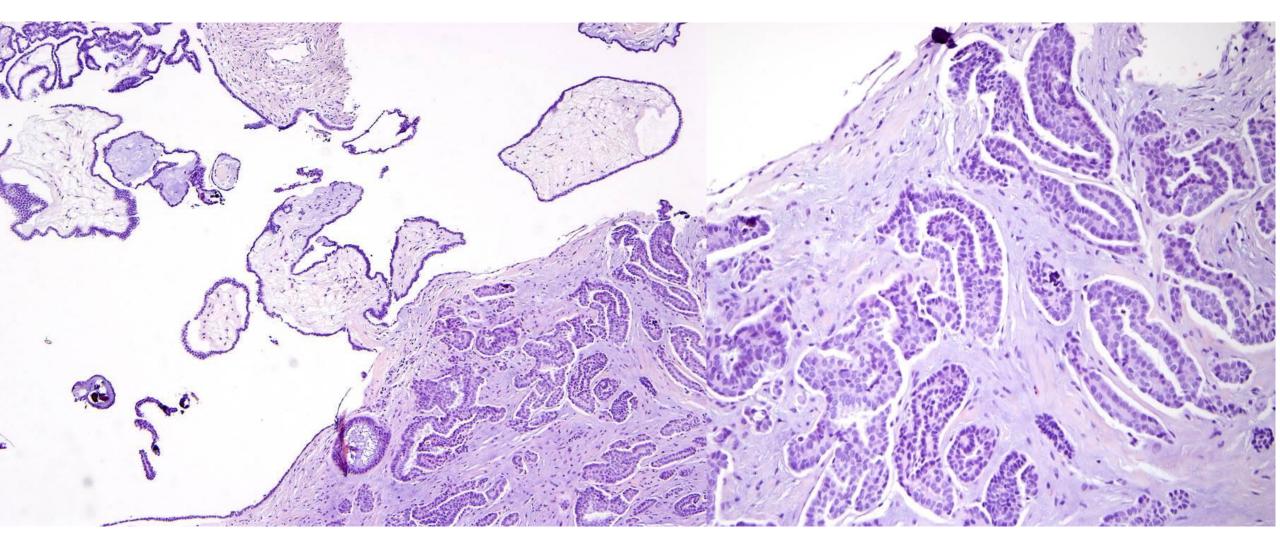
#### Low-Grade Serous Carcinoma



**#1.** Uniform cells with mild to moderate cytologic atypia

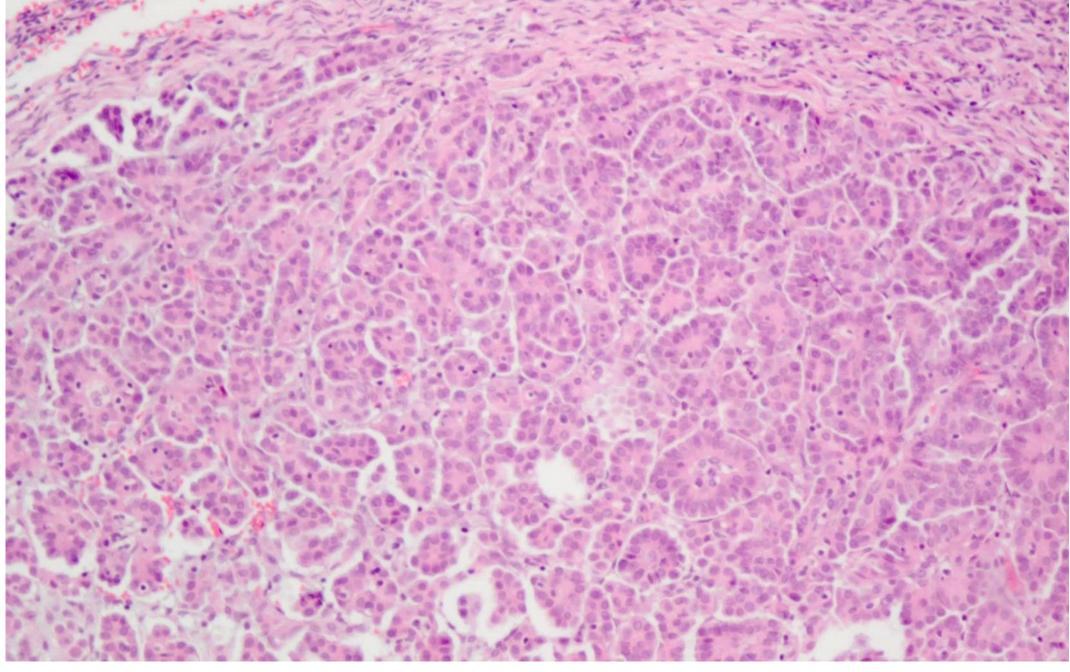
**#2.** Usually a low mitotic index ( $\leq$  12 mitoses per 10 HPFs)

#### Microinvasive Low Grade Serous Carcinoma, WHO 2020



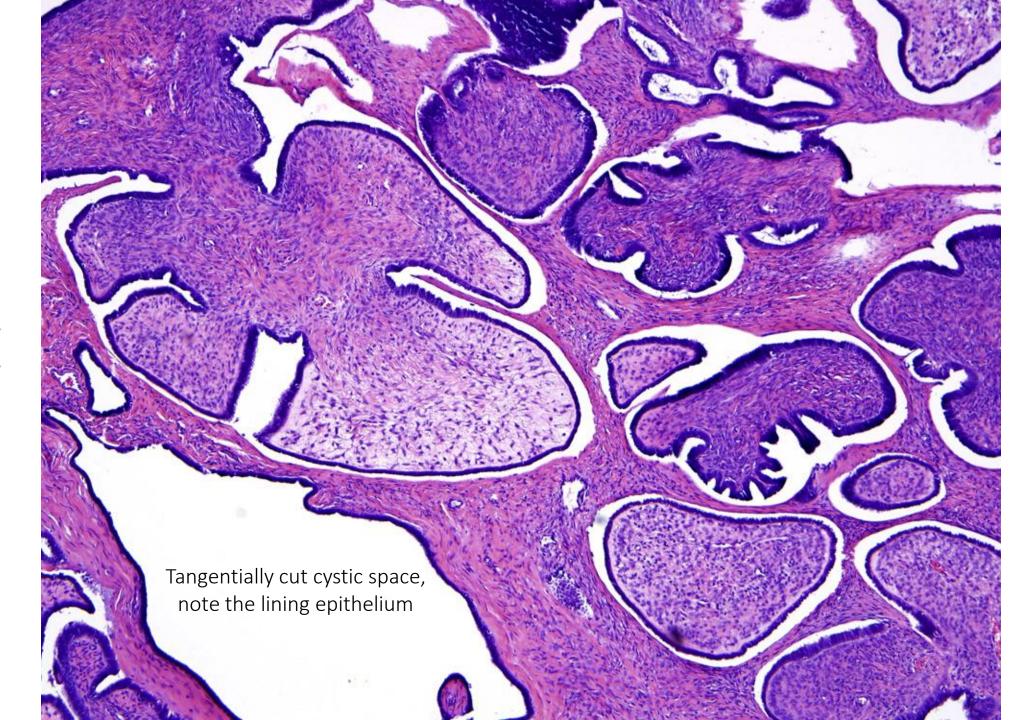
Focus of low-grade serous carcinoma, < 5 mm, desmoplasia

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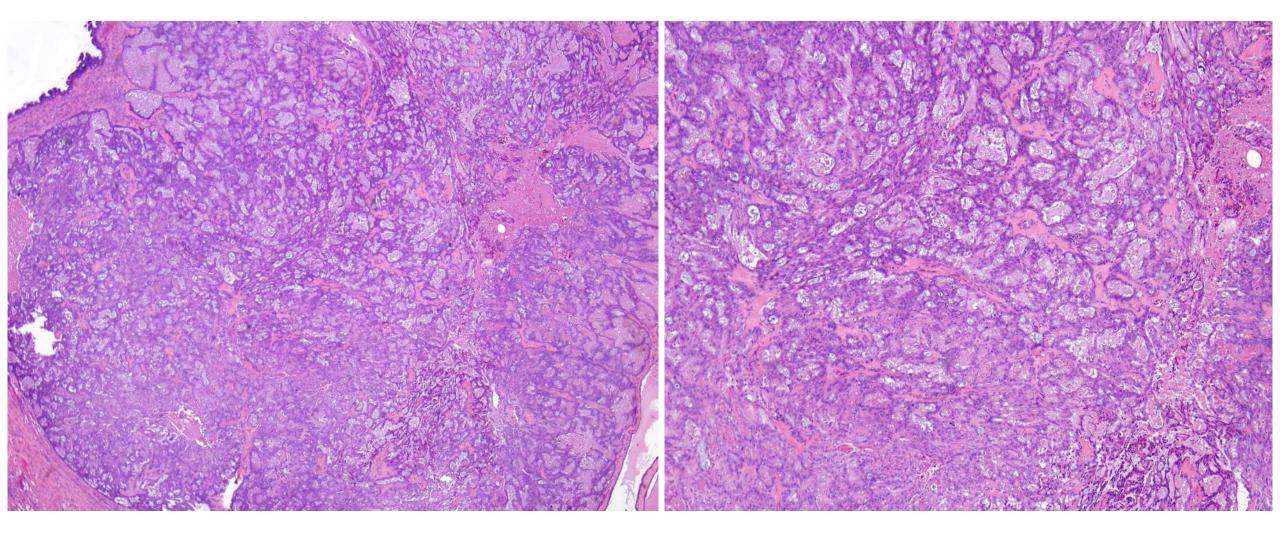


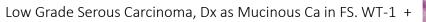
Focus of low-grade serous carcinoma, < 5 mm, marked epithelial proliferation

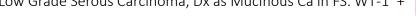
### Low-Grade Serous Carcinoma, Macropapillae

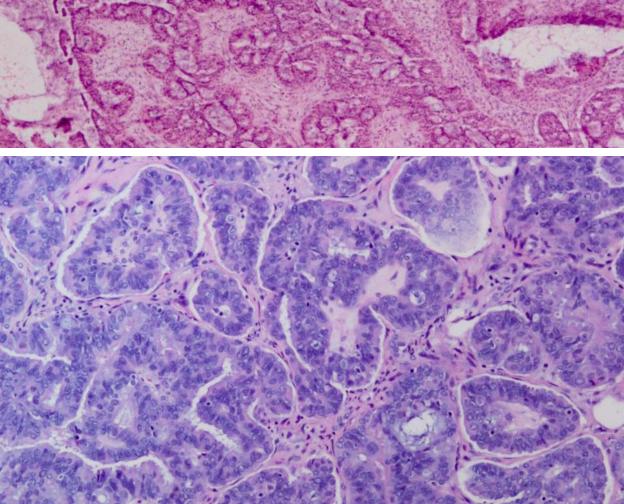


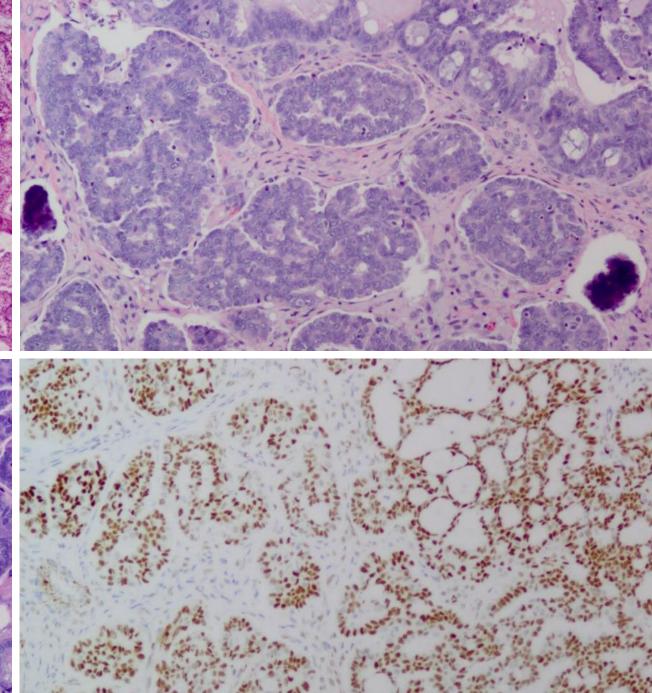
#### Low-Grade Serous Carcinoma, Massive Epithelial Growth in Cystic Spaces



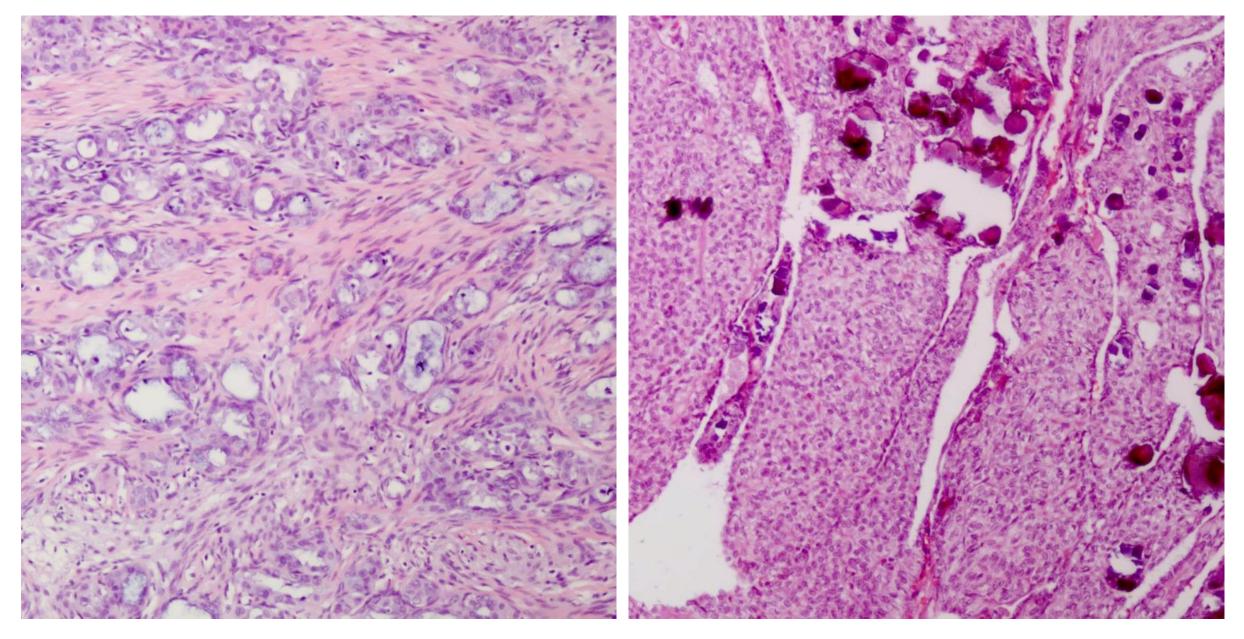


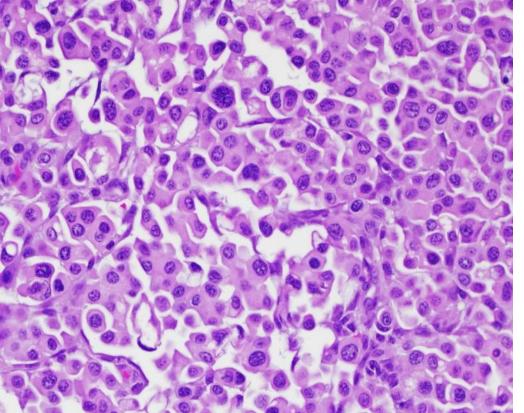




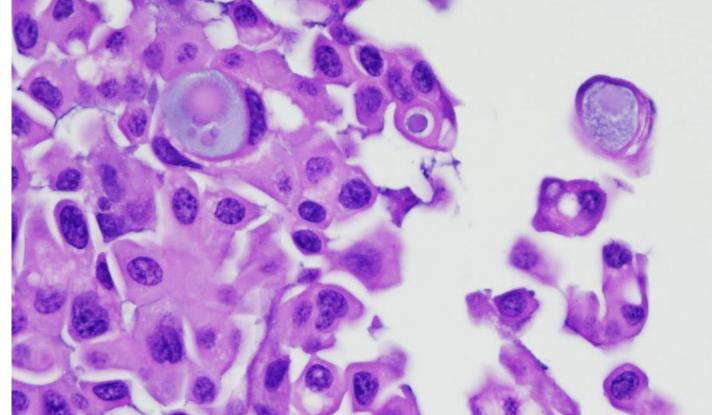


#### Low Grade Serous Ca, Solid Pattern and Clear Cytoplasm





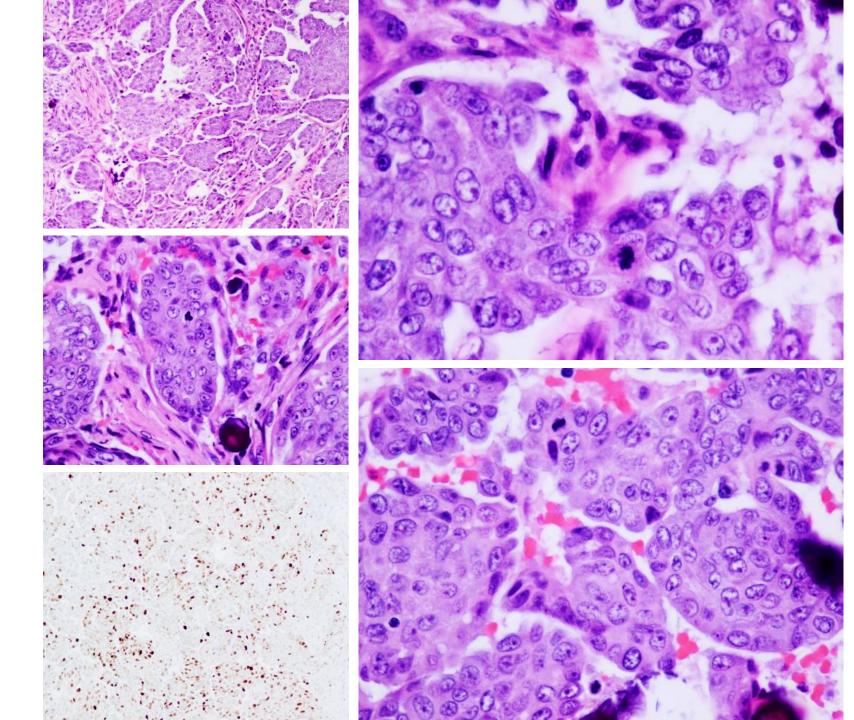
#### Low-Grade Serous Carcinoma

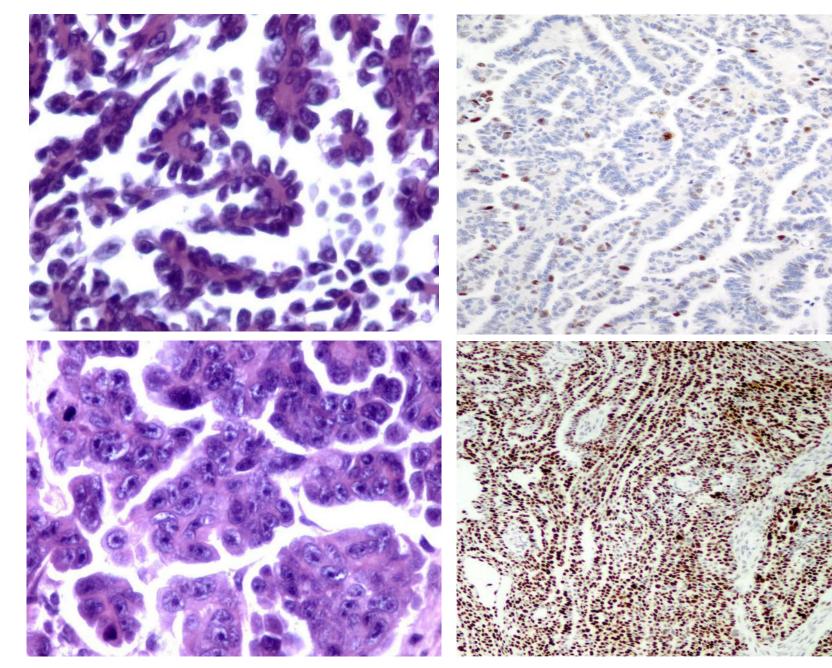


- Polygonal cells with eosinophilic cytoplasm, nuclear pleomorphism and signet-ring cells
- Low mitotic index
- The tumor has a mesothelioma-like appearance
- IHC:
  - Claudin 4, MOC-31, PAX-8, ER, PR, +
  - Calretinin, thrombomodulin, keratin 5/6, -
  - p53 wild type

#### Low-Grade Serous Carcinoma

- 20 mitoses per 10 HPFs
- No significant pleomorphism
- p53 wild type

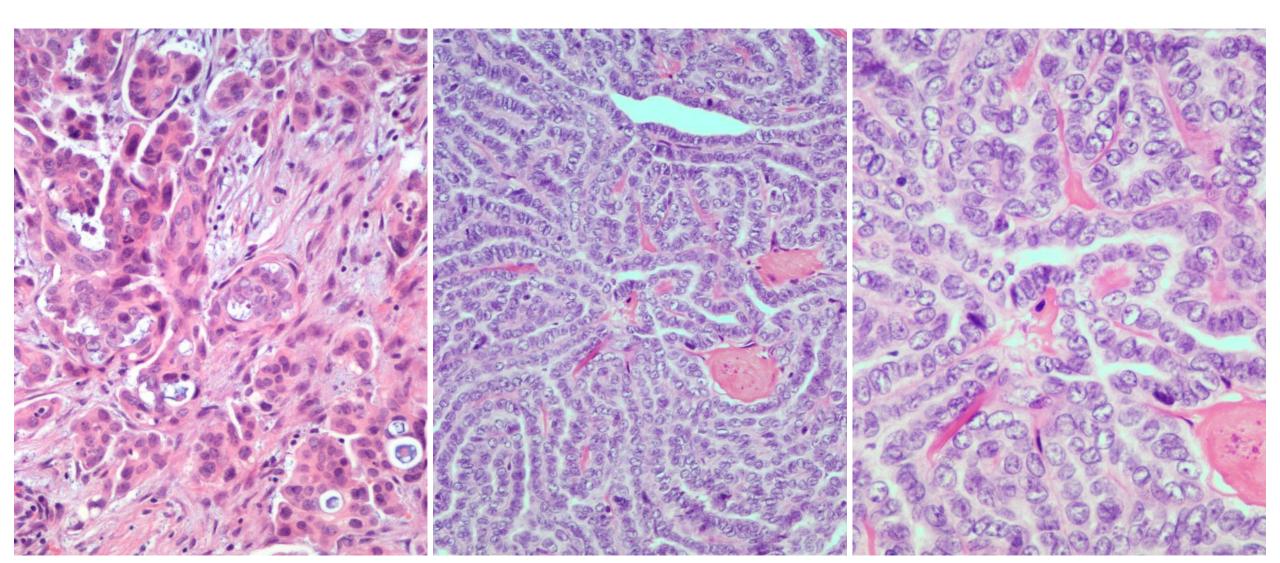




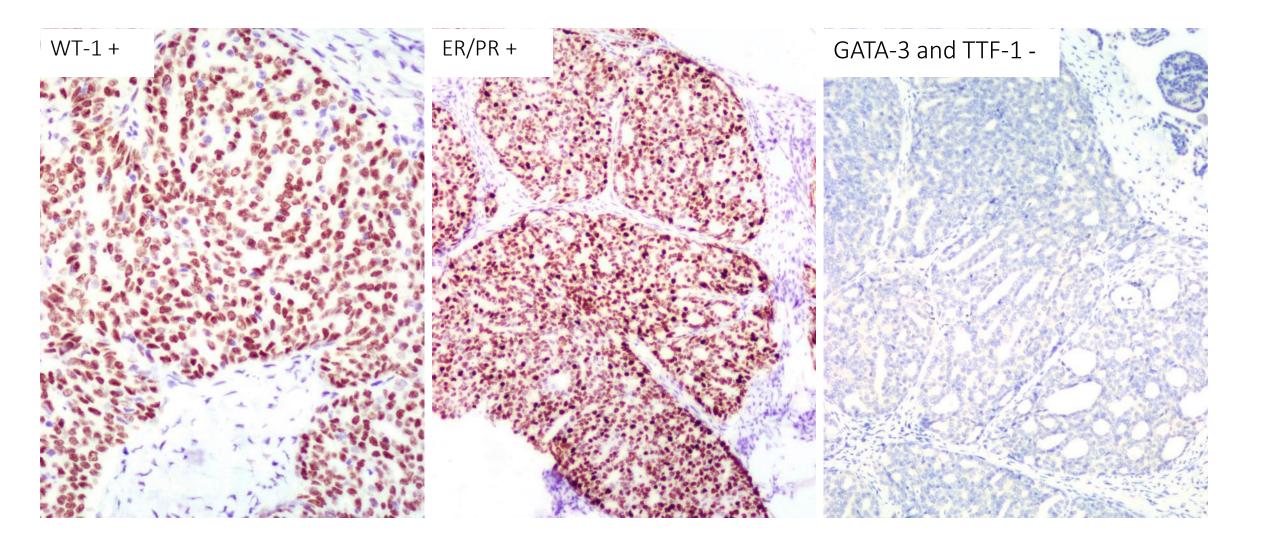
Serous Carcinoma, Tumor Heterogeneity (Low Grade and High Grade)

- Uncommon
- Synchronous or metachronous
- A problem when dealing with limited tissue

#### Low Grade Serous Cavs. Mesonephric-like Ca

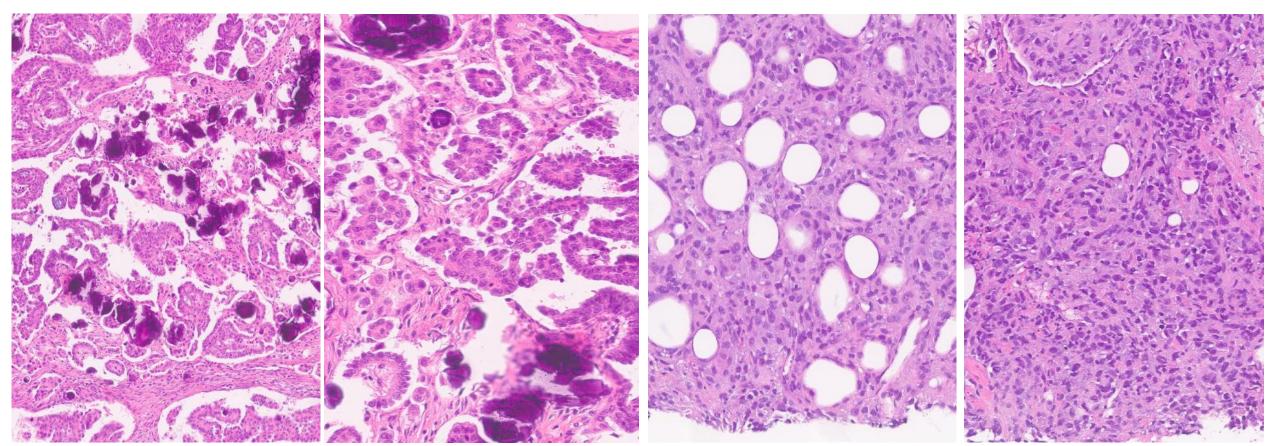


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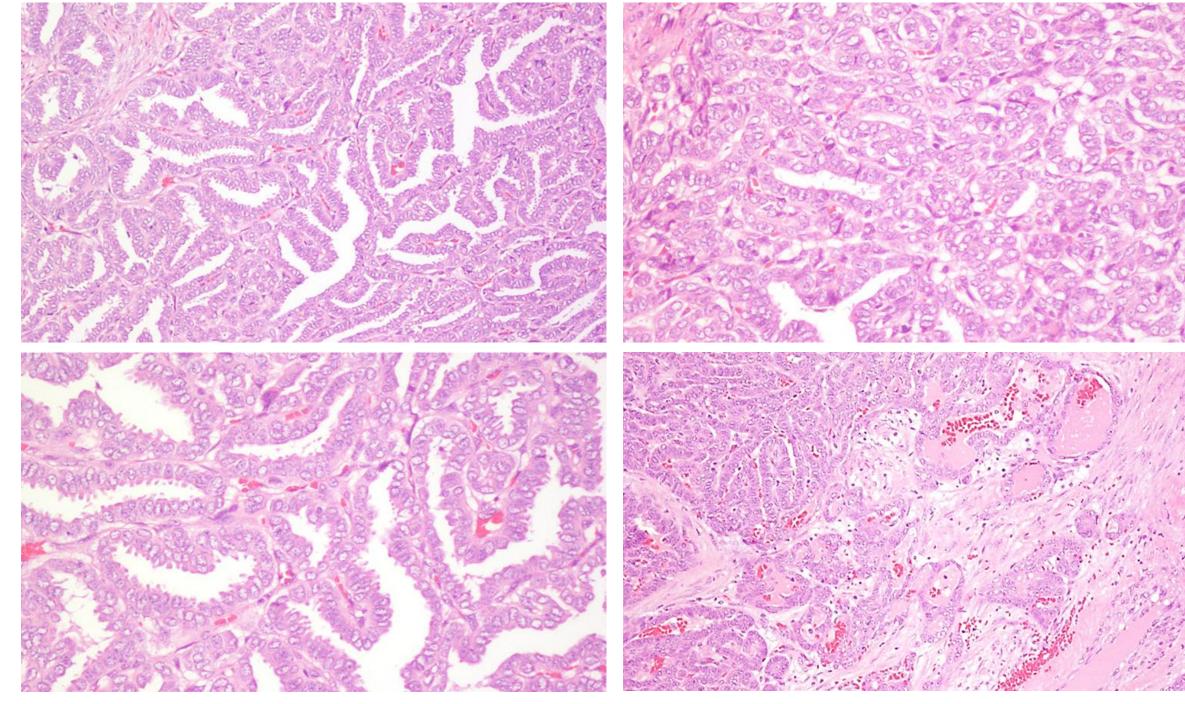


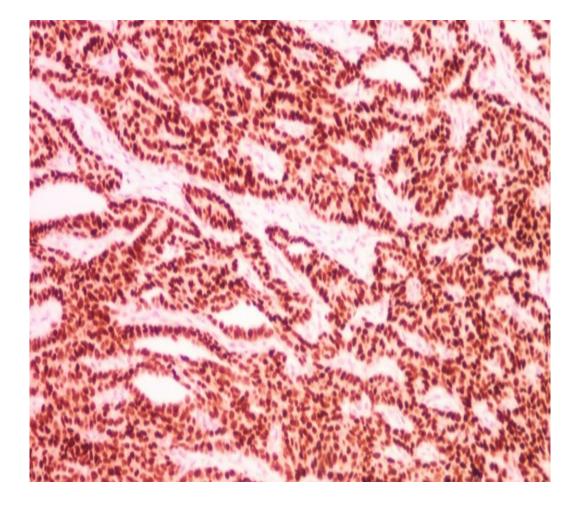
#### Low Grade Serous Carcinoma, Recurrence

- Usually, as low grade serous carcinoma
- Rare cases as:
  - Sarcomatoid carcinoma, example below (14 years after initial Dx)
  - Undifferentiated carcinoma
  - Mesonephric-like carcinoma
  - Carcinosarcoma

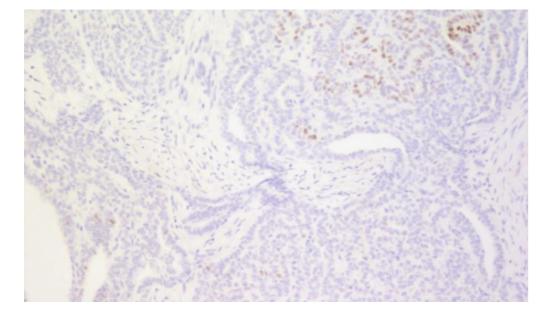


# Mesonephric-like Ca after the Dx of LGSCa

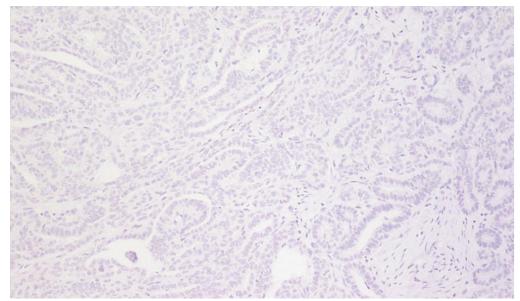




TTF-1+

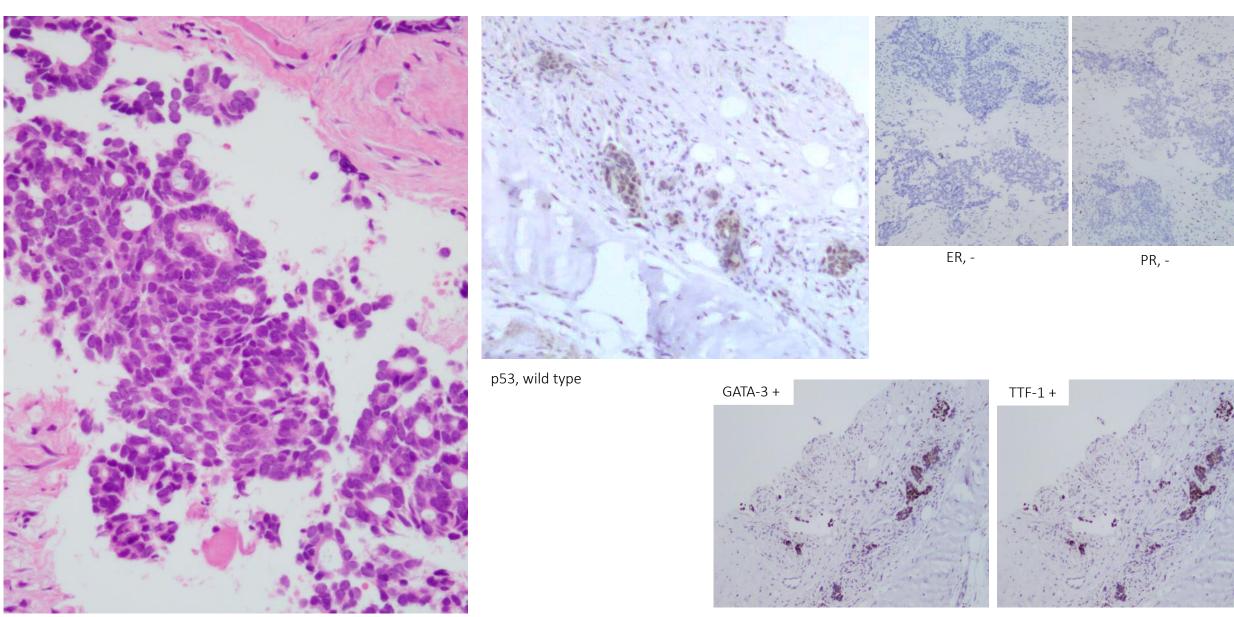


#### ER/PR rare cells +



WT-1 -

Mesonephric-like Ca after the Dx of LGSCa, Misinterpreted as High Grade Serous Carcinoma



#### Low Grade Serous Carcinoma, Rare Associations

#### **Ovarian Primary**

#### • Germline mutations:

- BRCA1/2
- MUTYH
- BAP1
- *RB1*
- *CHEK2*
- *APC*
- FANCA
- Rubinstein-Taybi syndrome

#### Peritoneal Primary

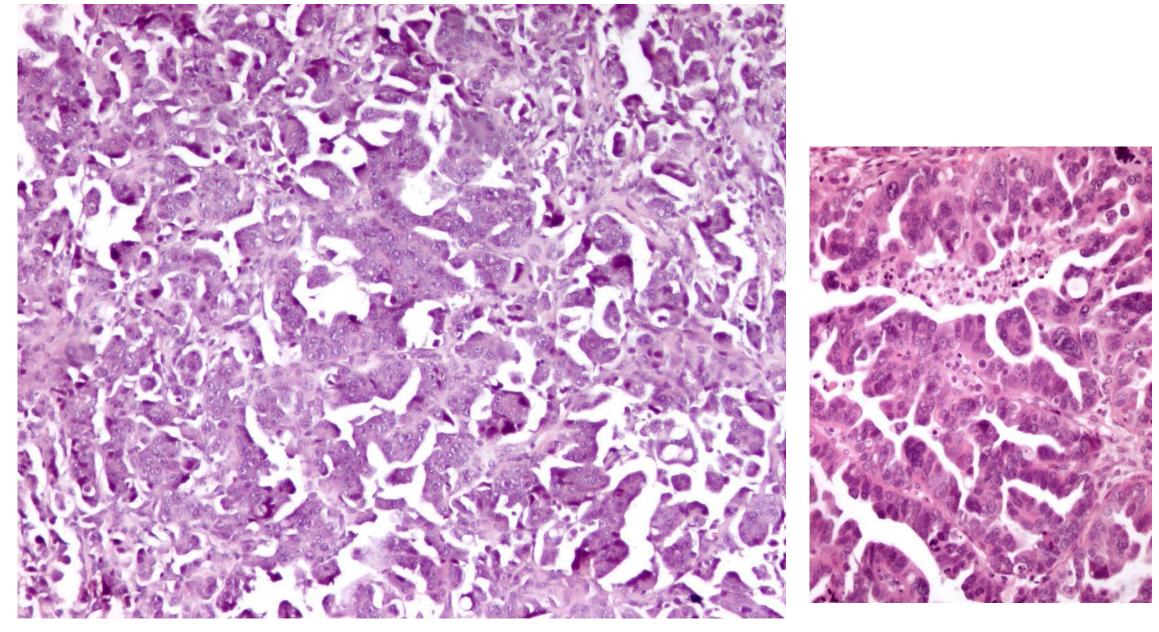
- BRCA1 mutation
- Lynch syndrome
- PALB2 mutation

#### Low-Grade Serous Carcinoma, Molecular Findings

- MAPK pathway mutations in  $\approx 60\%$  of the cases:
  - KRAS (19%-40%), NRAS (9-26%), and BRAF (2%-16%)
    - Rare, HRAS, NF1, NF2, MAP3K1, and ERBB2
- Other mutations: USP9X, E1F1AX, MACF1, ARID1A, DOT1L, ASH1L, UBR5, PIK3CA, FFAR1, and DNM3

\*potential use of mTOR inhibitors

## High Grade Serous Carcinoma

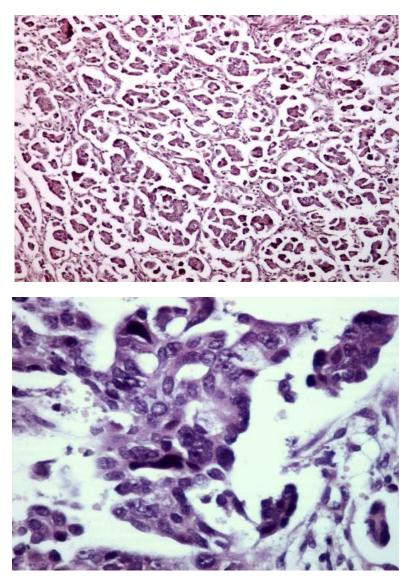


Pleomorphic cells with marked nuclear atypia (≥3:1 variation in size and shape) High mitotic index (>12 mitoses per 10 HPFs)

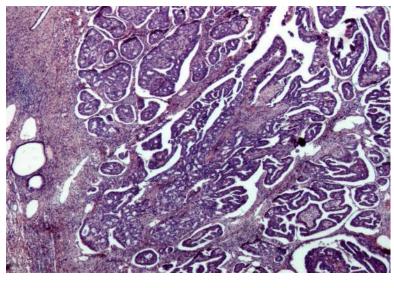
#### High Grade Serous Ca, Issues

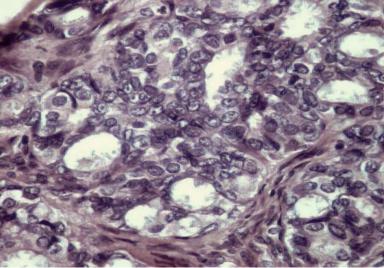
- Using the architecture and not paying attention to the cytology to assign the grade
- Tumor heterogeneity
- A wide variety of patterns and appearances
- Recurrence has a different histotype
  - Carcinosarcoma ---undersampling vs. lack of recognition vs. dedifferentiation
  - Sarcoma –undersampling vs. lack of recognition vs. dedifferentiation
  - Neuroendocrine Ca lack of recognition

#### Pathologist does not follow diagnostic criteria



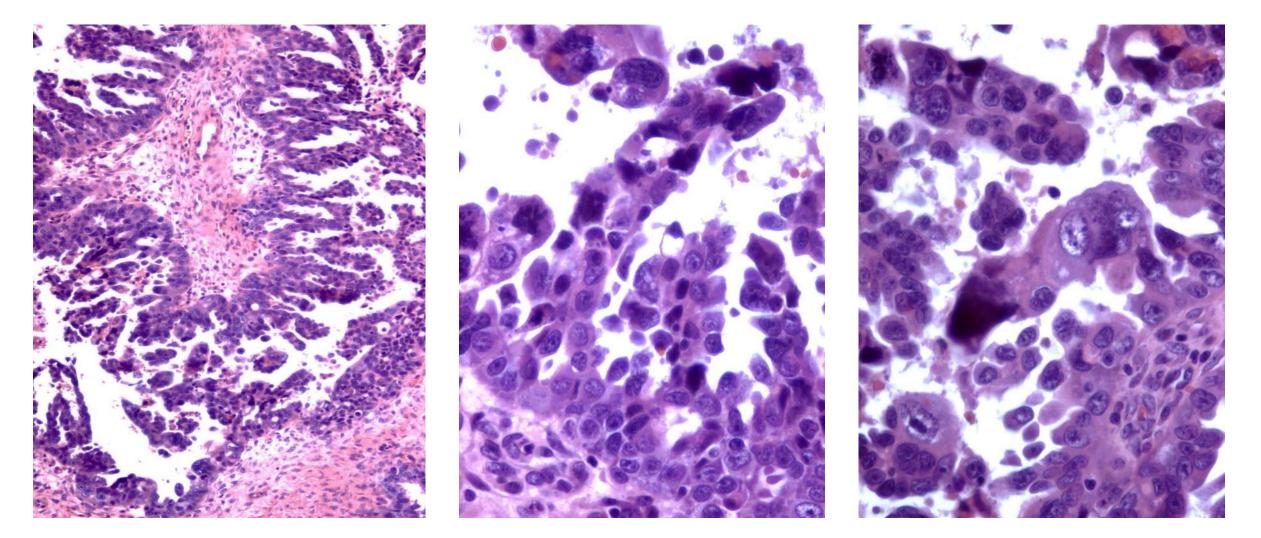
High grade serous Ca, interpreted as low grade



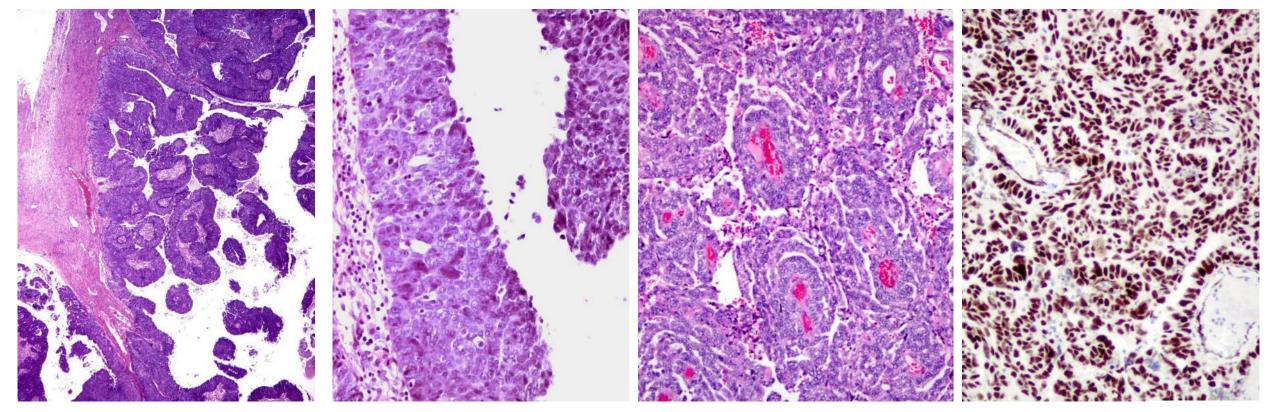


Low grade serous Ca, interpreted as high grade

#### High Grade Serous Ca, Papillary Pattern, Mimicking a Serous Borderline Tumor with a MP



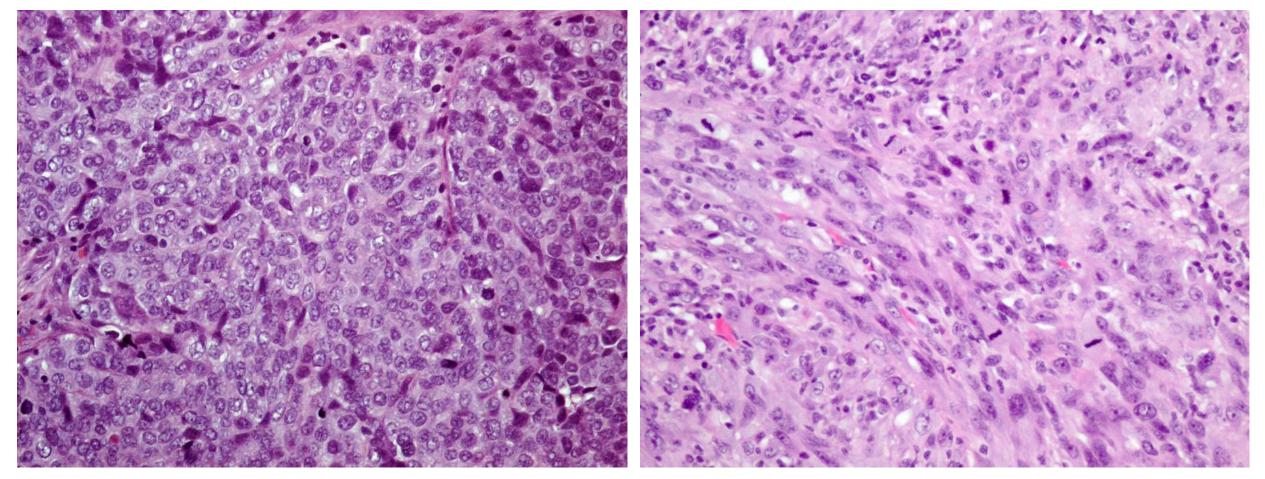
#### High Grade Serous Ca, Broad Base Papillae (TCC Pattern) and Papillae with Prominent Vessels

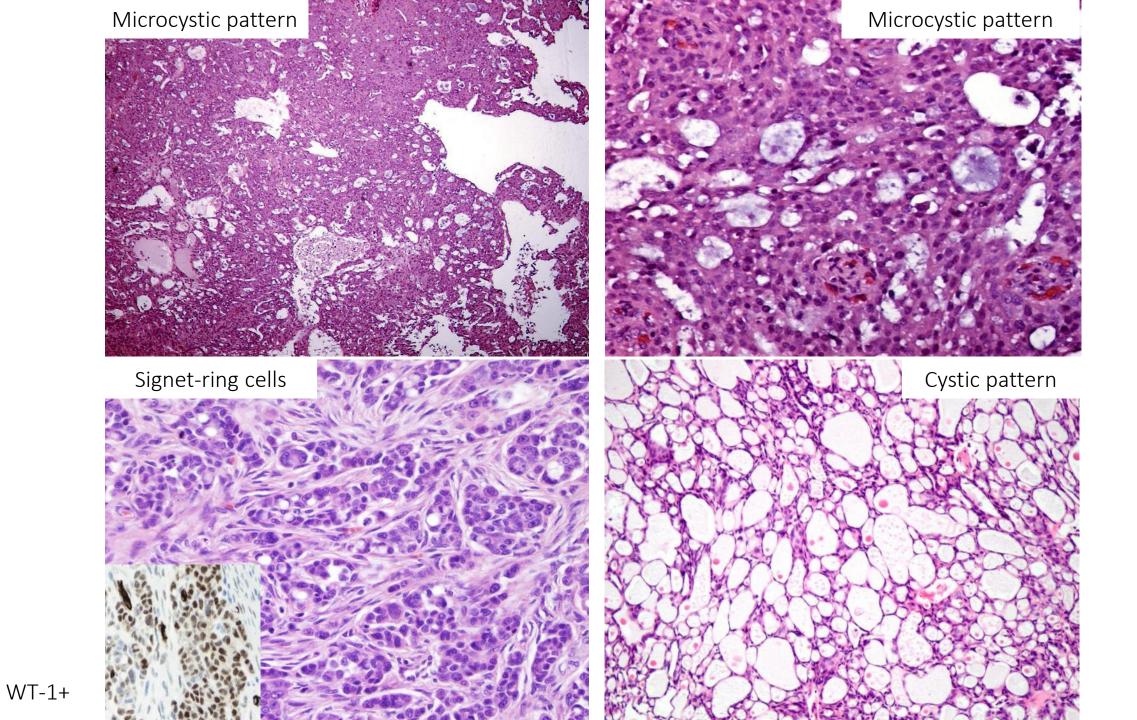


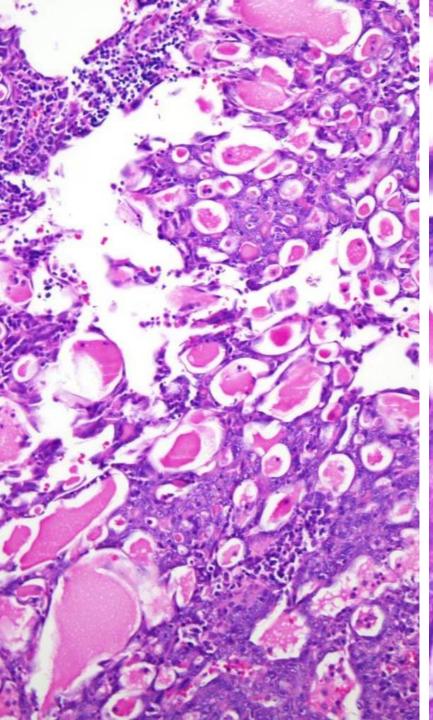
#### High Grade Serous Ca

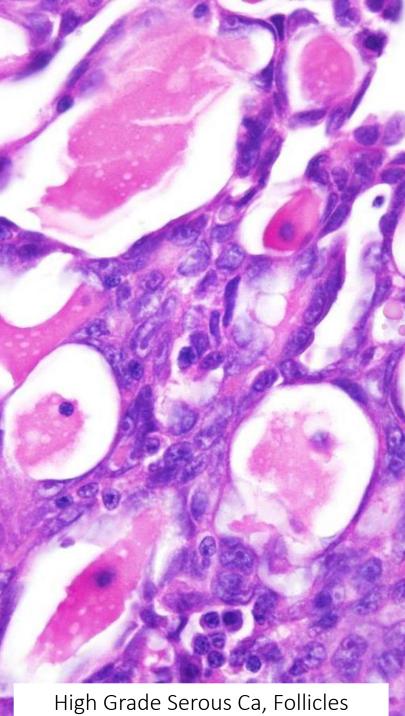
#### Solid pattern

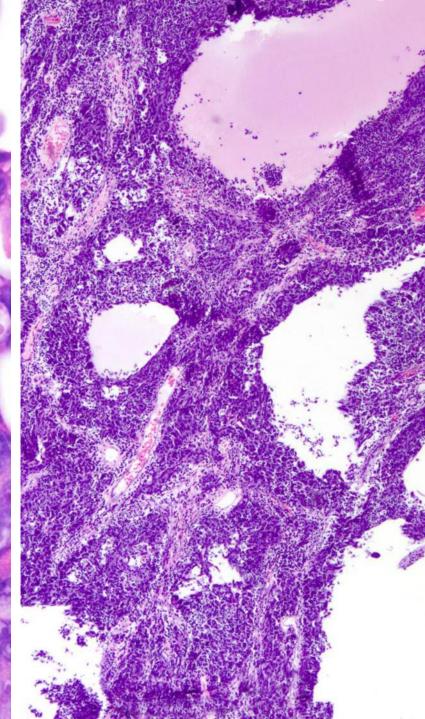
Spindle cells

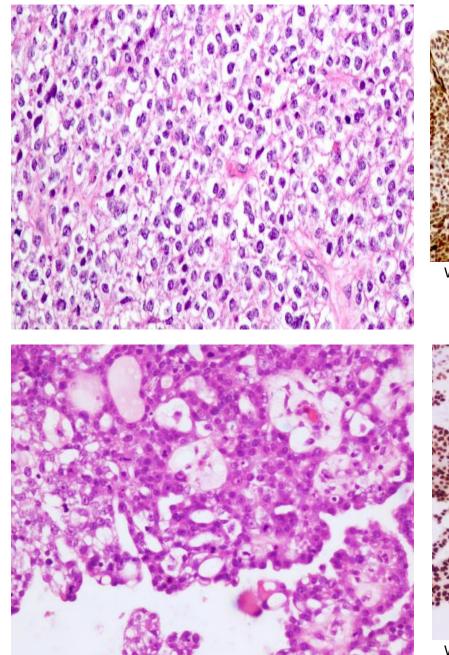




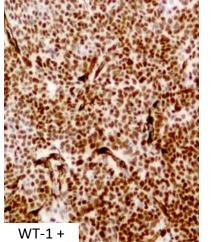




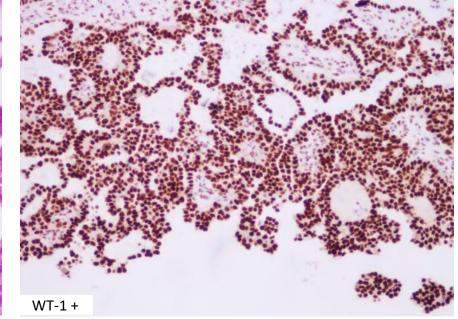


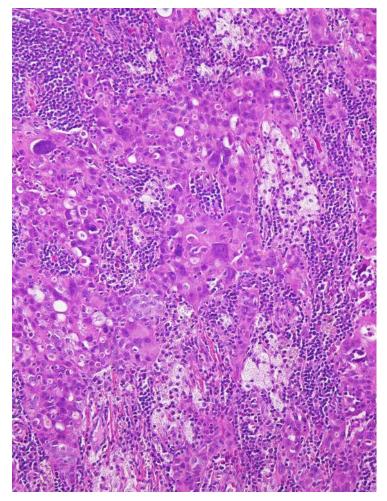


#### High Grade Serous Ca

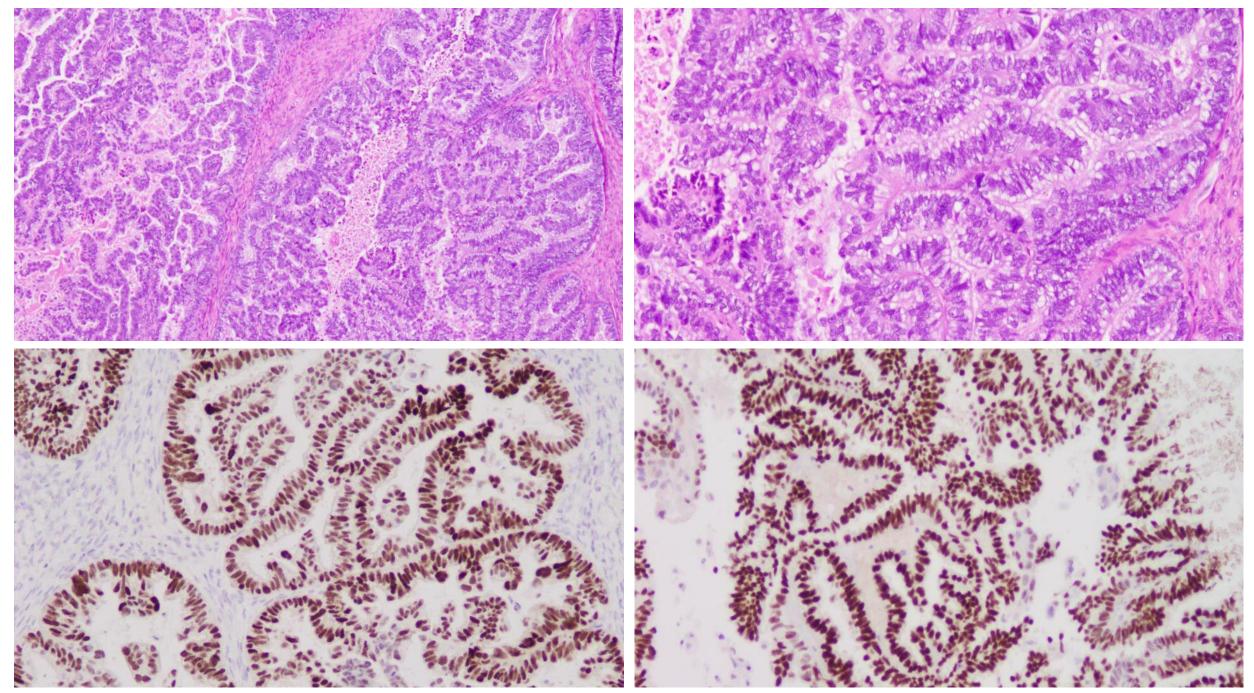


Clear cells

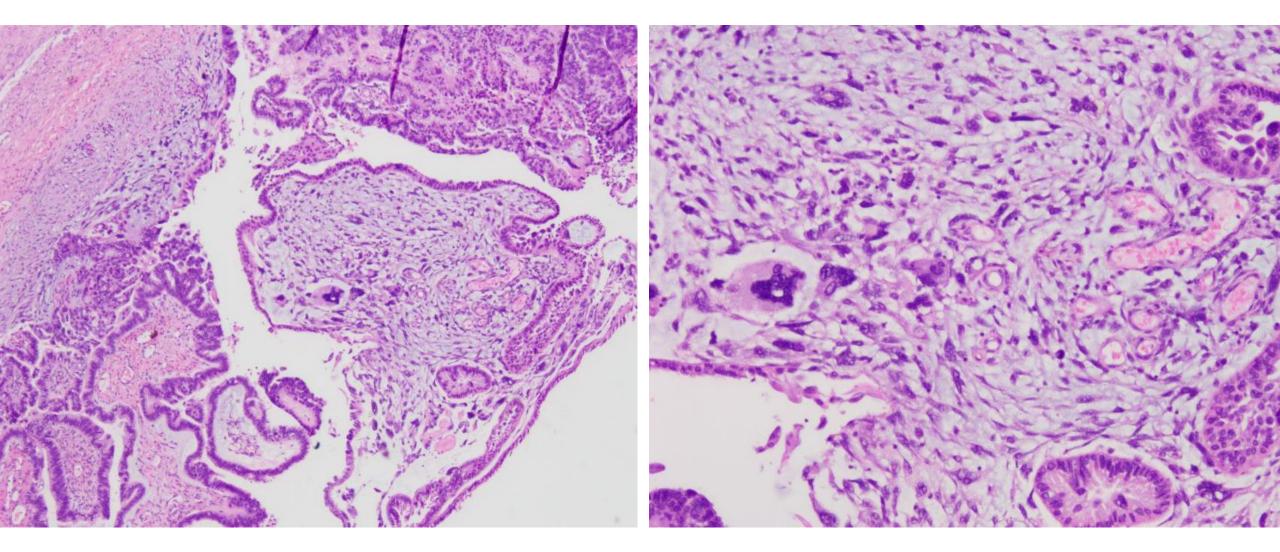




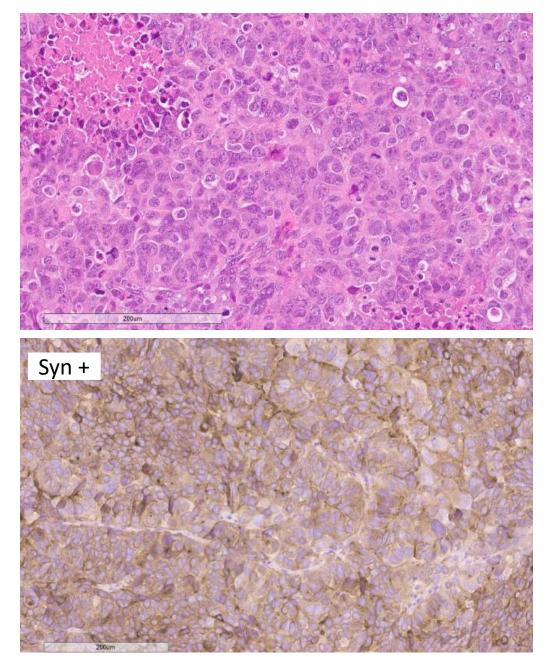
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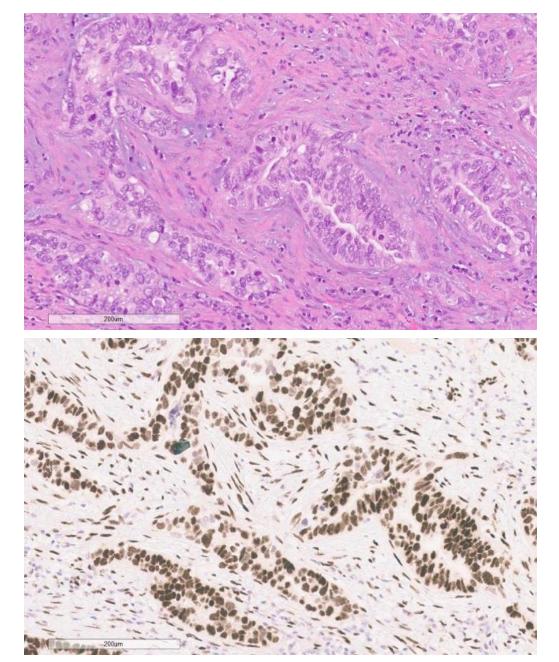


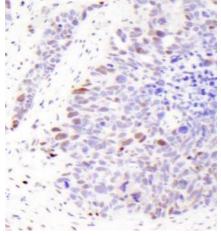
#### Carcinosarcoma, Initially Interpreted as HGSCa



#### Mixed Ca, Neuroendocrine Ca and HGSCa, Initially Interpreted as HGSCa

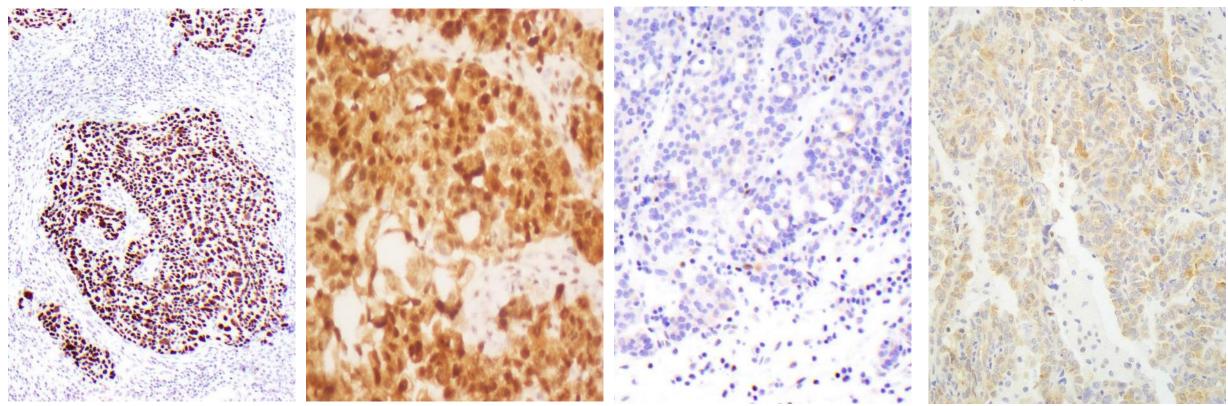






#### Wild-type, < 10% of cases

### Extrauterine High Grade Serous Carcinoma: p53



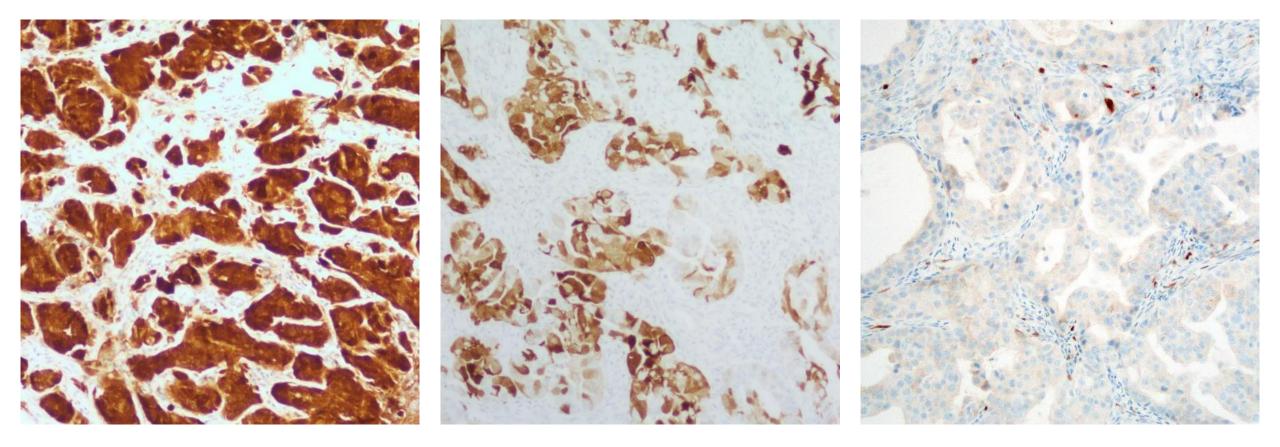
Nuclear overexpression, without or with cytoplasmic staining

Null phenotype

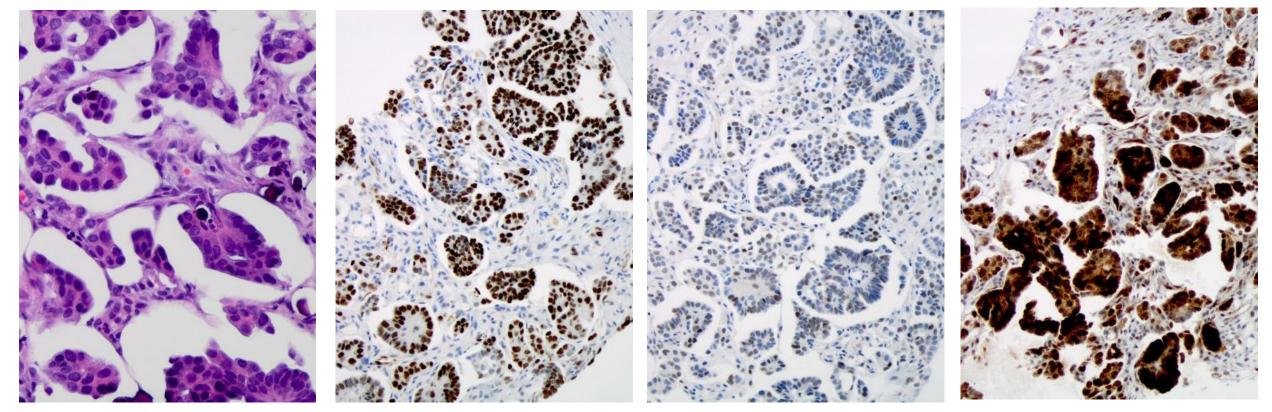
Cytoplasmic overexpression

Extrauterine High Grade Serous Carcinoma: p16

p16 expression is variable: block, patchy or absent



### Low Grade Serous Carcinoma: p16, block expression $\approx$ 7% of cases



p53

#### Assessment of Folate Receptor Alpha/Folate Receptor 1 Protein (FRα/FOLR1) by IHC

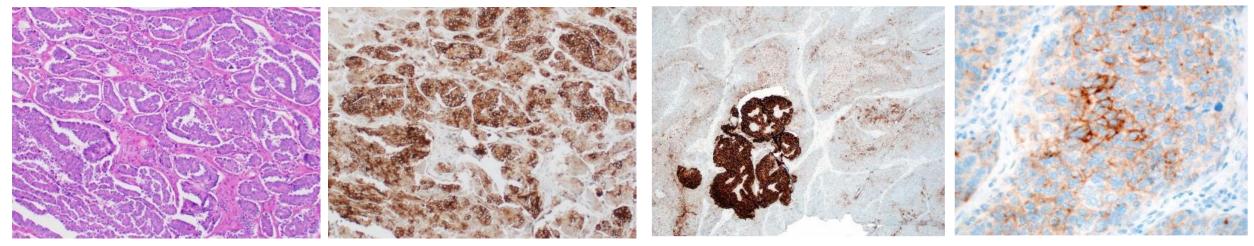
#### Why?

- To justify the use of mirvetuximab soravtansine (Elahere<sup>™</sup>)
  - Antibody-drug conjugate (ADC), comprised of a FRα directed antibody conjugated to a microtubule inhibitor
    - Arrests cell cycle and causes apoptotic cell death
  - November 2022, it received accelerated approval by the USA FDA
    - Treatment of adult patients with FRα positive, platinum-resistant ovarian, fallopian tube or peritoneal cancer who have received 1-3 prior systemic treatment regimens

### Assessment of Folate Receptor Alpha/Folate Receptor 1 protein (FRα/FOLR1) by IHC

USA FDA approved Ventana FOLR1 RxDx Assay

≥ 75% of cells with moderate and/or strong membranous staining



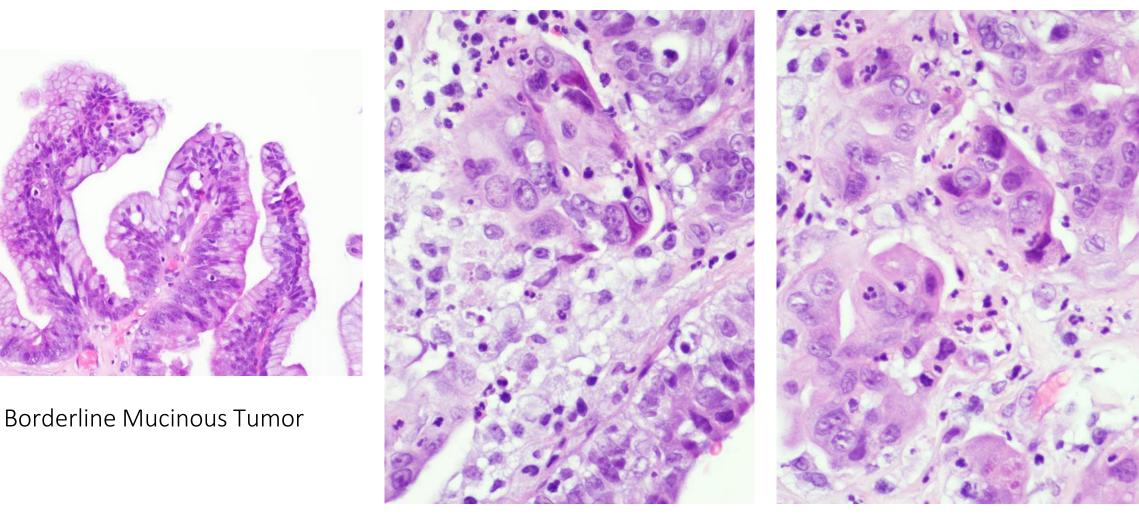
Low grade serous carcinoma

Moderate and strong membranous staining Variable staining in <75% of cells

Cytoplasmic staining

Irrelevant findings

### Microinvasive Mucinous Carcinoma



- Focus of invasion into the stroma < 5mm in greatest linear extent
- Marked cytologic atypia within the invasive

### Microinvasive Mucinous Carcinoma

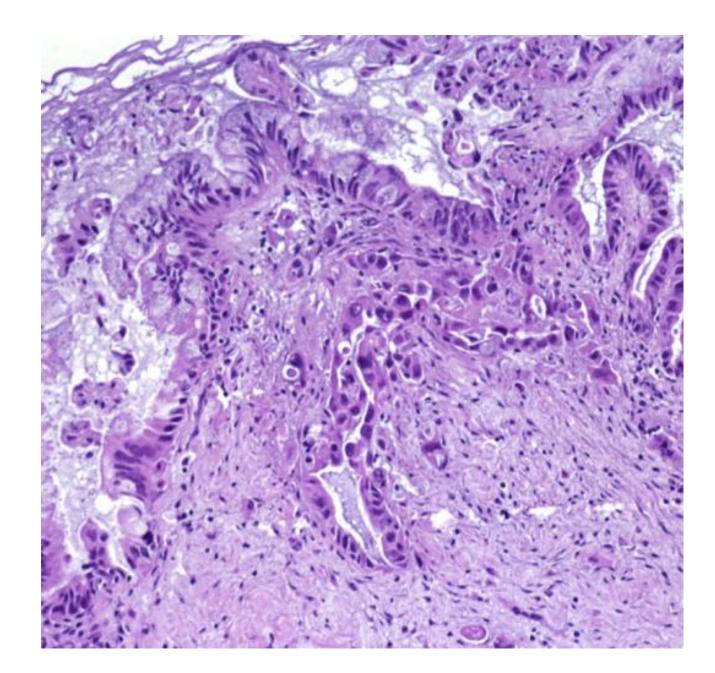
• Experience is limited

 Rare cases have been reported with recurrences and death

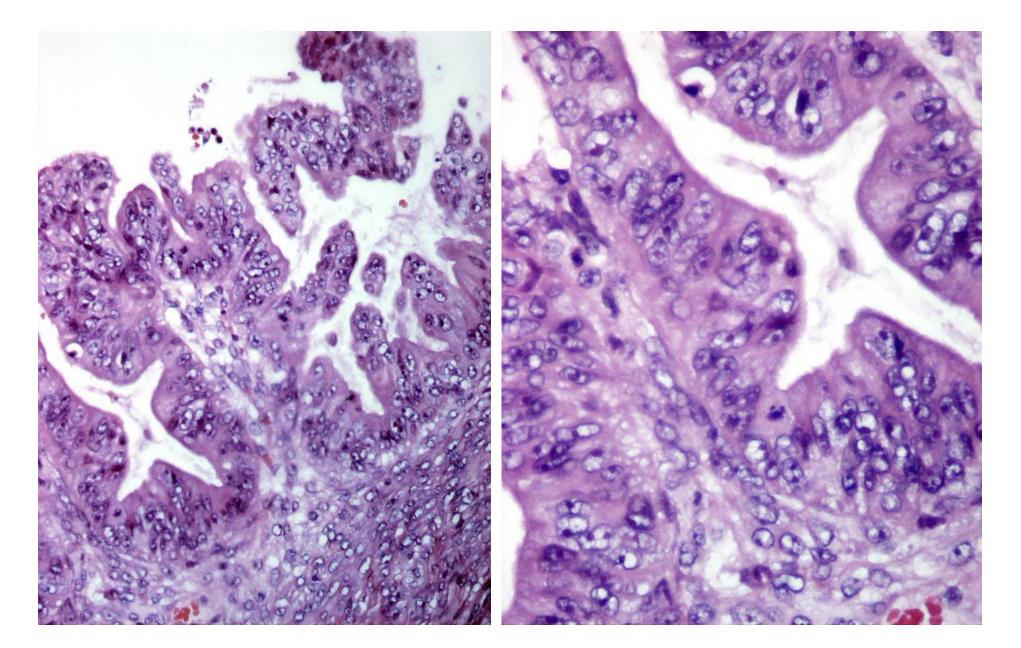
> Nomura K, Aizawa S. Cancer 2000 Khunamornpong S. et al. Int J Gynecol Path 2011 WHO 2014 and 2020

### Mucinous Borderline Tumor with Microinvasion

- Focus of invasion into the stroma
  5 mm in greatest linear extent
- Mild to moderate cytologic atypia within the invasive focus



#### Mucinous Intraepithelial Carcinoma, Marked Atypia of the Epithelium



### Invasive Mucinous Carcinoma

Expansile/confluent type

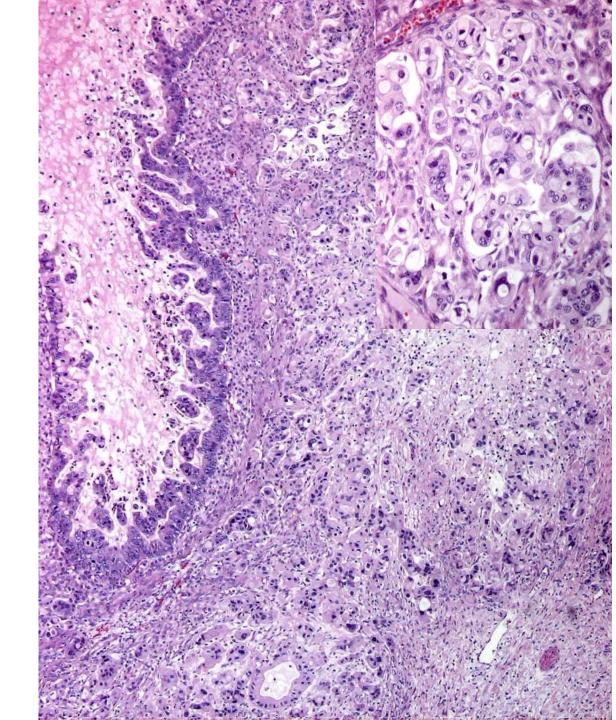
- confluent glandular pattern
- uninterrupted by normal ovarian stroma
- measuring at least 5 mm in linear extent



#### Invasive Mucinous Carcinoma

Infiltrative type

• Small glands, nests of cells or individual cells infiltrating the stroma in an area measuring at least 5 mm in linear extent



### Mucinous Carcinoma

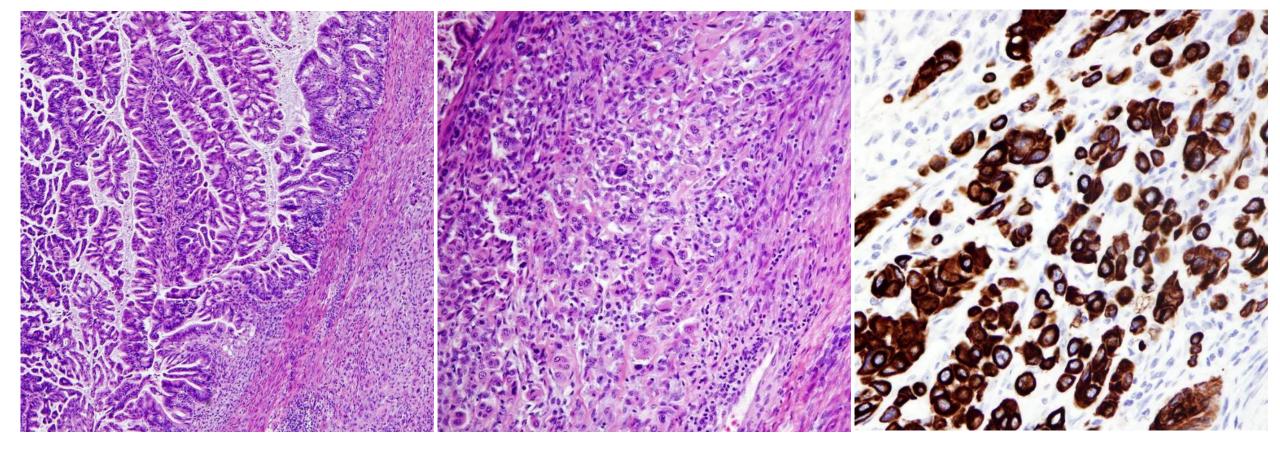
- Intraepithelial Carcinoma
  - Stage I disease, recurrence rate 5%
- Invasive Carcinoma
  - Stage I disease , 5-year survival 91%
  - Advanced stage disease, all patients die of disease
  - Expansile pattern more common than the infiltrative pattern
    - Recurrences in stage I tumors with an expansile pattern tend to be seen in the pelvis
  - Infiltrative invasion appears to be more aggressive than the expansile type

Riopel MA, et al., 1999 Lee KR and Scully R, 2000 Rodriguez IM and Prat J, 2002 Gouy S, et al., 2018

### Molecular Alterations in Ovarian Mucinous Carcinoma

Molecular Alteration	Ovarian Mucinous Carcinoma		
MSI-H	22%		
KRAS mutation	43%		
BRAF mutation	0%		
HER2 amplification	18%		
APC or CTNNB1 mutations	9%		
TP53 mutations	26%		

Kelemen LE, Köbel M, 2011

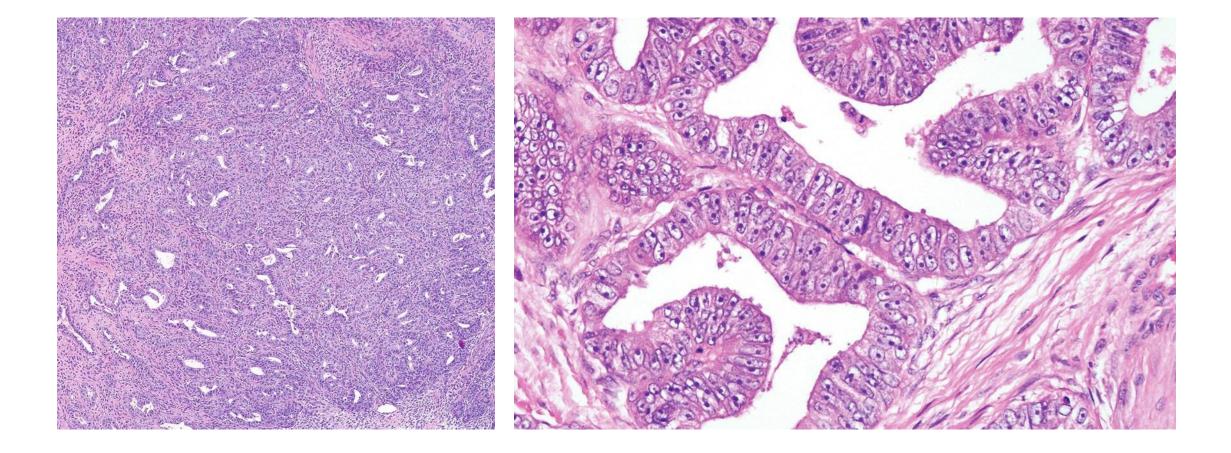


Anaplastic Carcinoma

- Keratin is useful to assess the extent of the tumor or if spindle cells are present
- Pts who present with stage 1A disease tend to have a favorable outcome

### Endometrioid Borderline Tumor

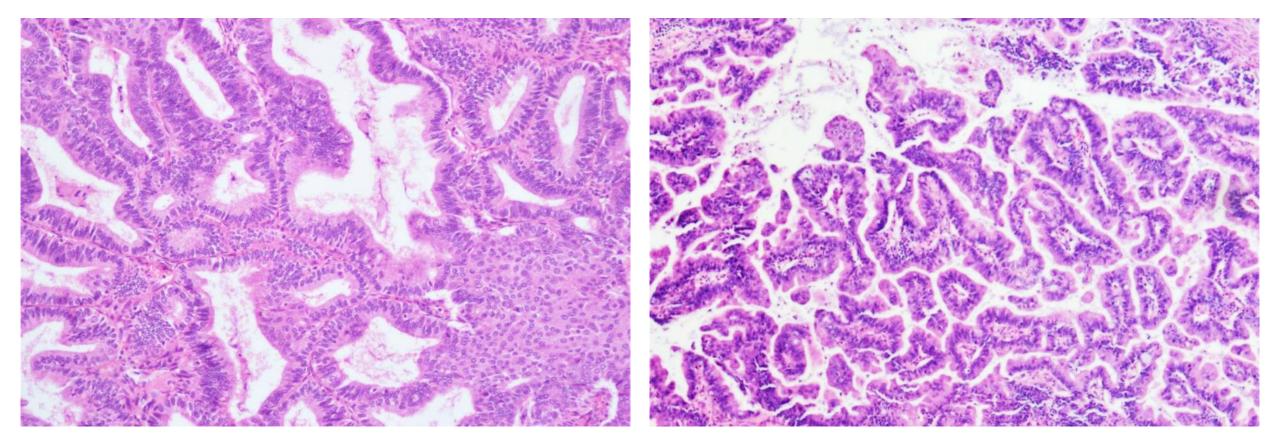
- Microinvasion: confluent glandular proliferation < 5 mm in linear extent
- Intraepithelial carcinoma: marked cytologic atypia



### Endometrioid Carcinoma

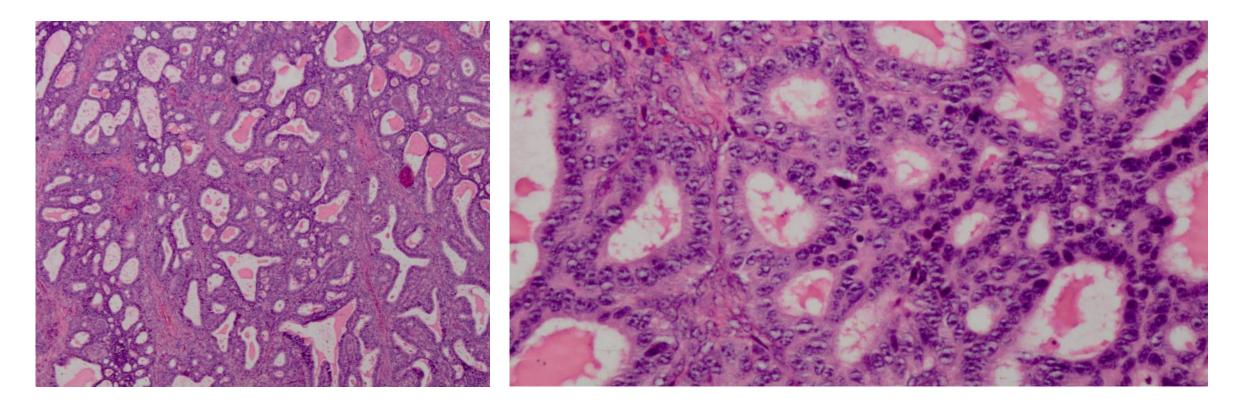
Back-to-back glandular proliferation > 5mm

Intracystic complex papillary growth



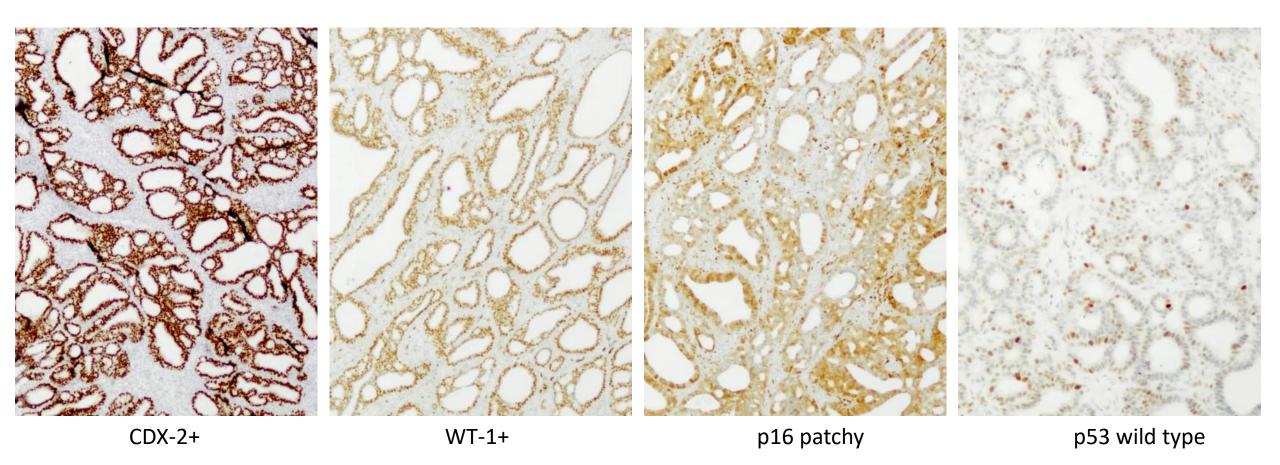
Endometrioid Carcinoma

- Confounding histological features:
  - Nuclear disorganization, to exclude high-grade serous carcinoma
    - (WT-1, p53, and p16)
  - Eosinophilic luminal contents, to exclude mesonephric-like carcinoma (ER, PR, GATA-3, and TTF-1)

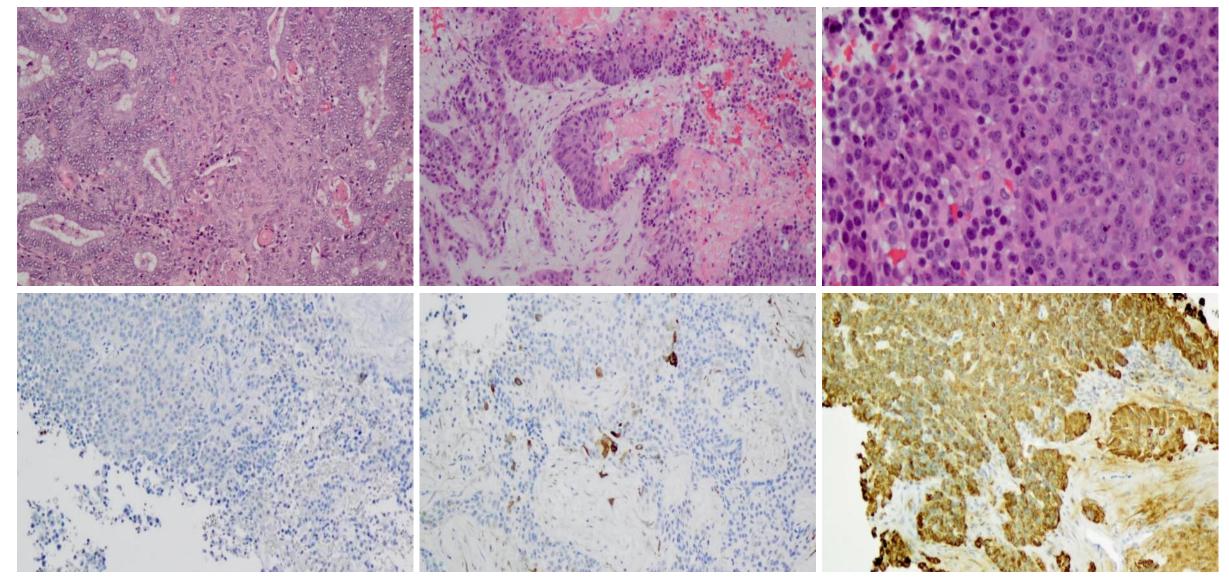


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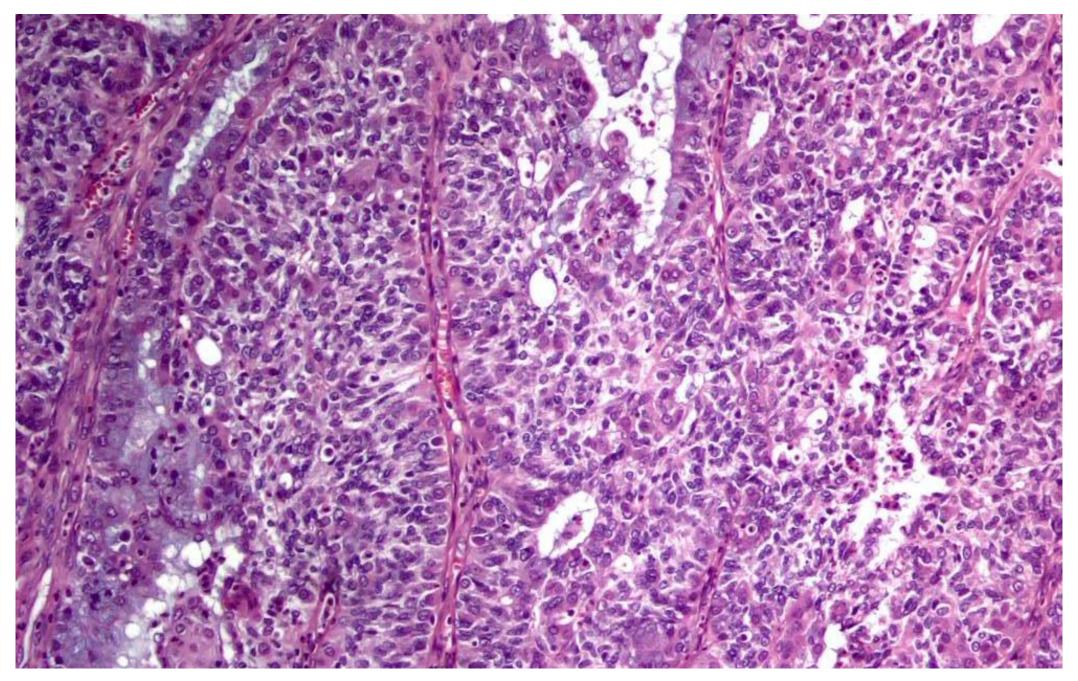
### • IHC confounding findings: CDX2+ and WT-1+



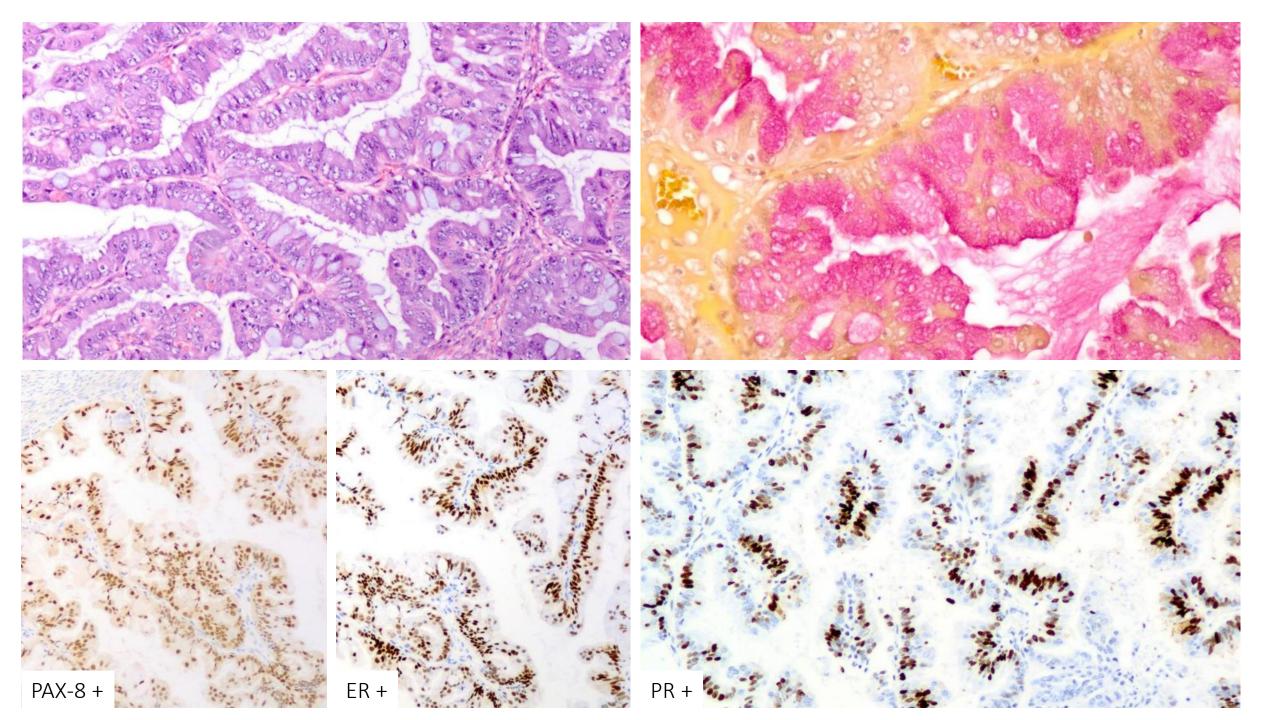
#### Endometrioid and Undifferentiated Carcinoma (Dedifferentiated Carcinoma)



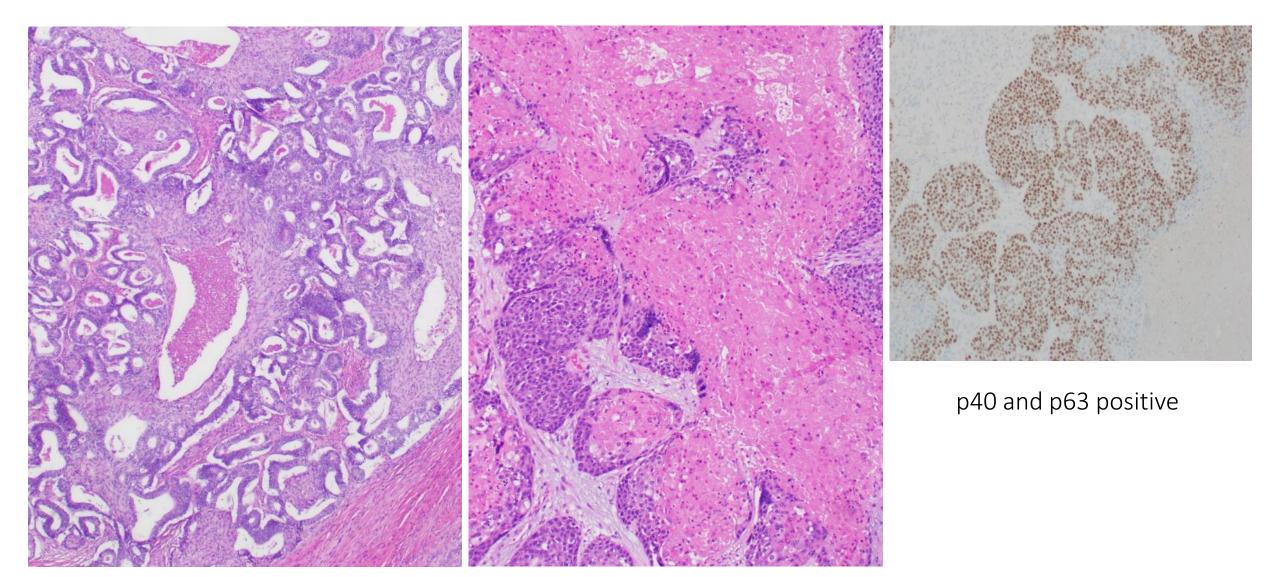
Ker 7 rare cells +



Endometrioid Carcinoma with Mucinous Metaplasia



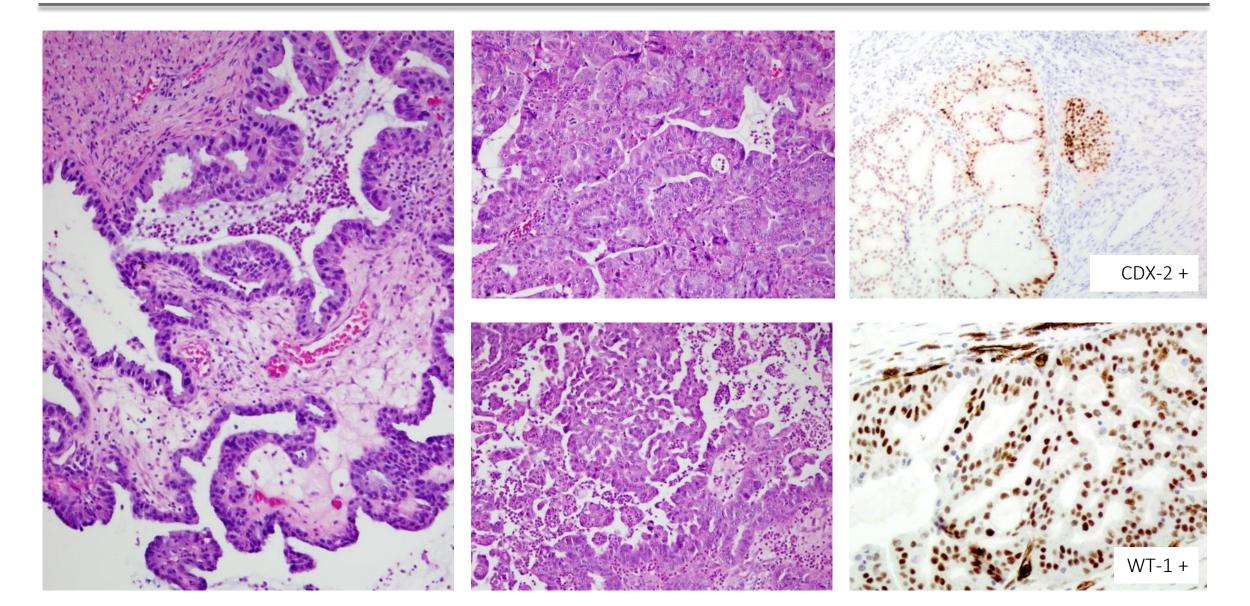
### Endometrioid Ca and Poorly Differentiate Squamous Ca



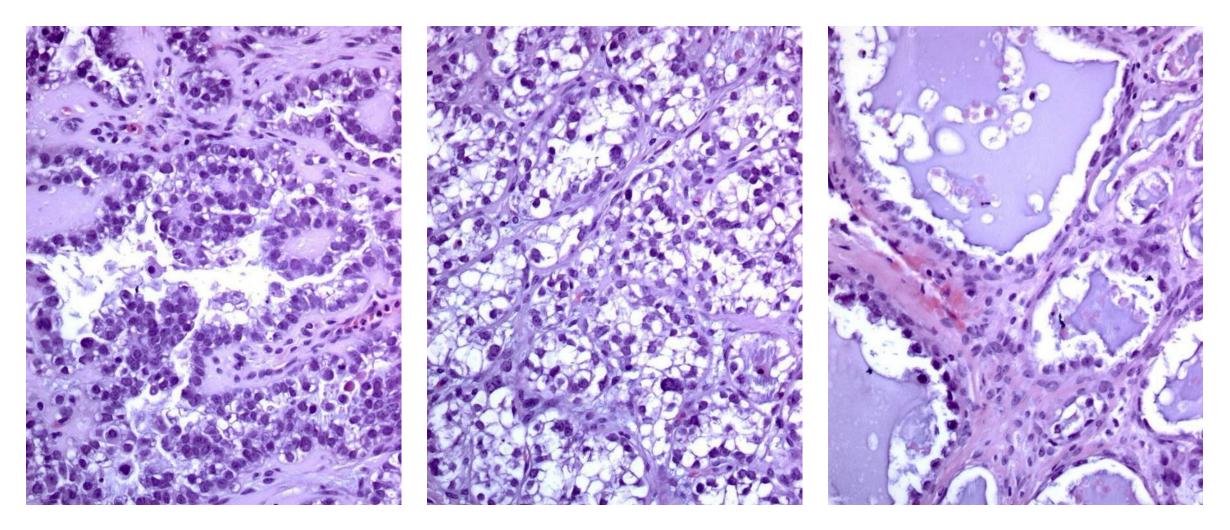
# Endometrioid Carcinoma of Ovary

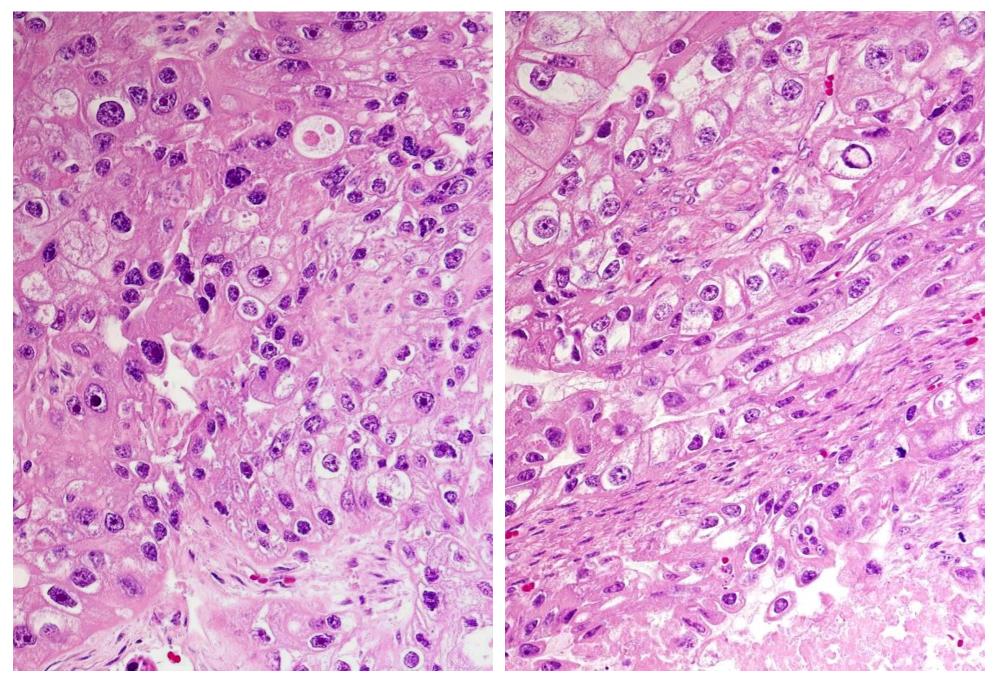
Molecular Subtype	Percentage	Mutation	Percentage
No specific molecular		CTNNB1	53%
profile	69-73%	РІКЗСА	40%
Hypermutated due to mismatch repair deficiency	13%	KRAS	33%
TP53 mutated	9-13%	ARID1A	30%
Ultramutated due to POLE mutations	5%	PTEN	17%

#### Seromucinous Carcinoma Arising in a Seromucinous Borderline Exists, but It Is a Rare Tumor



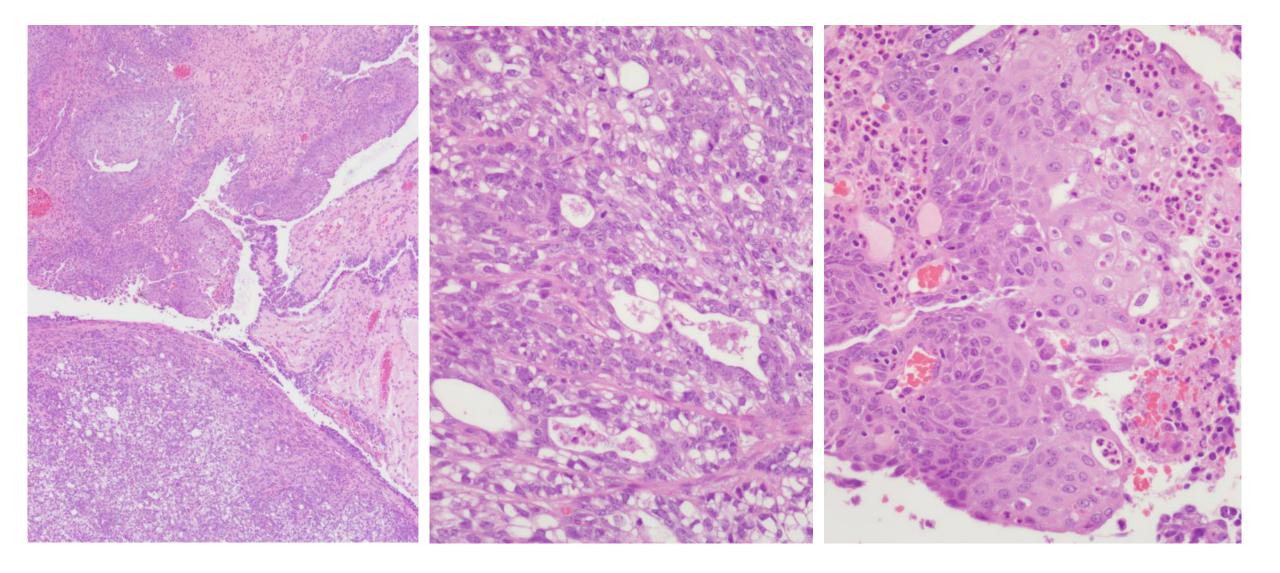
# Clear Cell Carcinoma





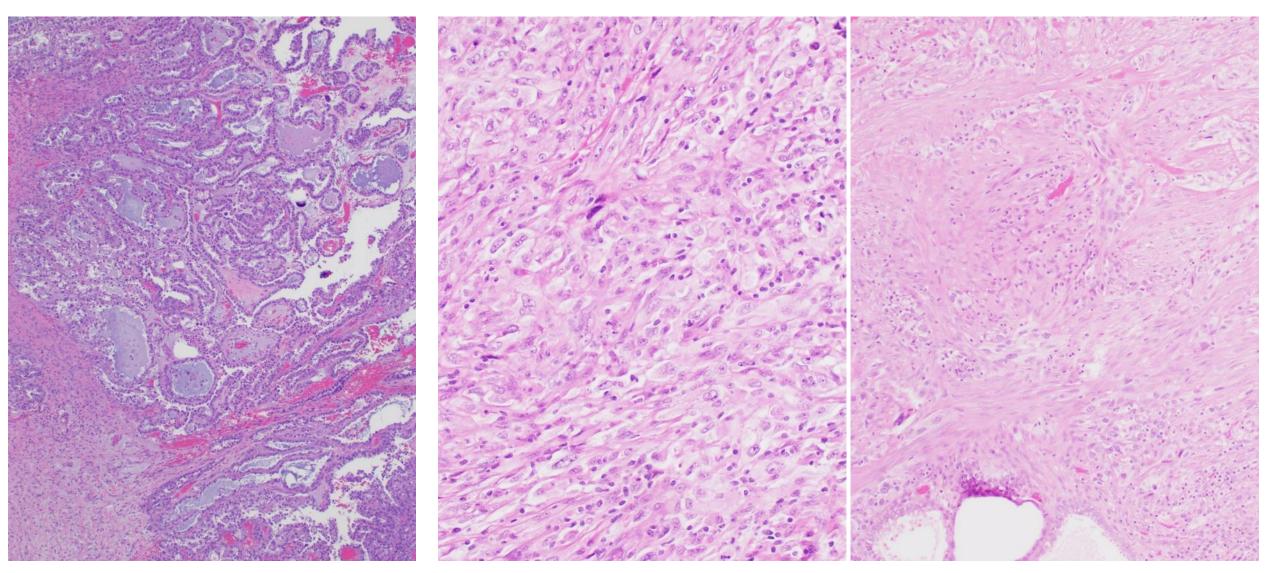
Discrepancy between the degree of atypia and the mitotic index

### Clear Cell Carcinoma with Squamous Differentiation

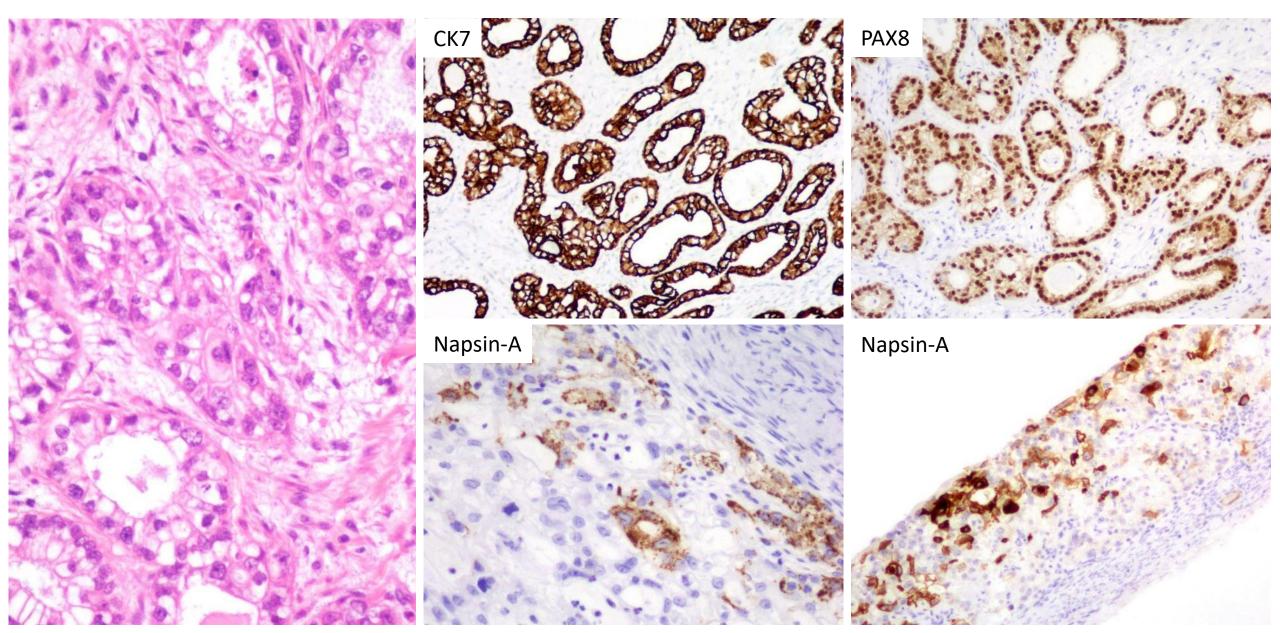


# Abundant mucinous material

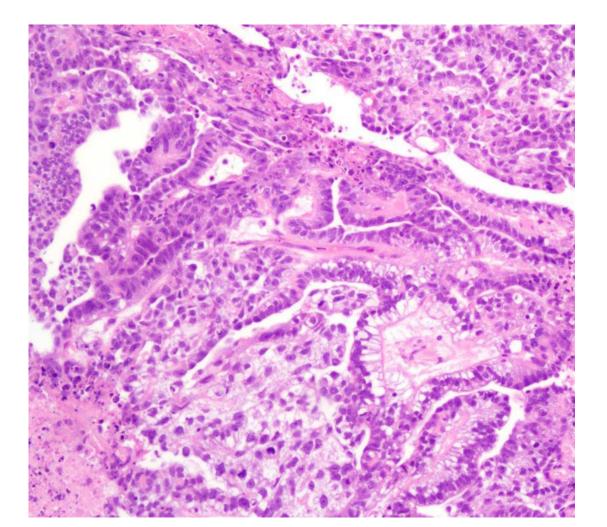
#### Sarcomatoid features

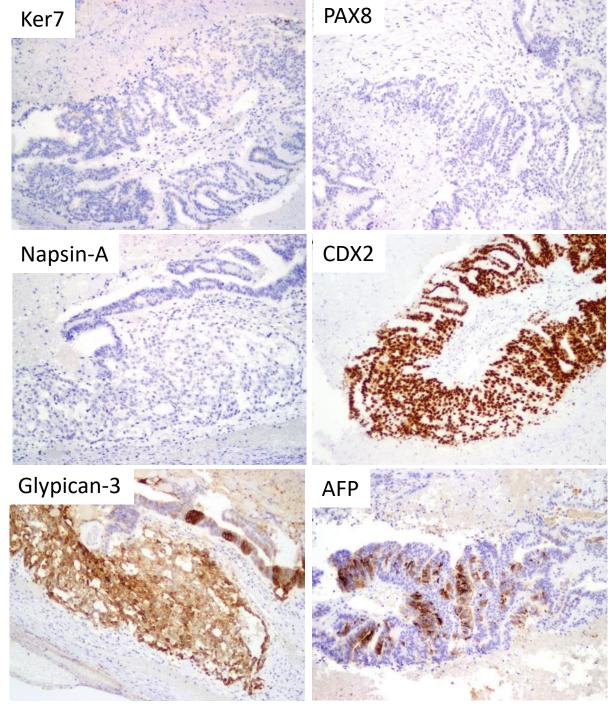


### Clear Cell Carcinoma and Yolk Sac Tumor



#### Clear Cell Carcinoma and Yolk Sac Tumor





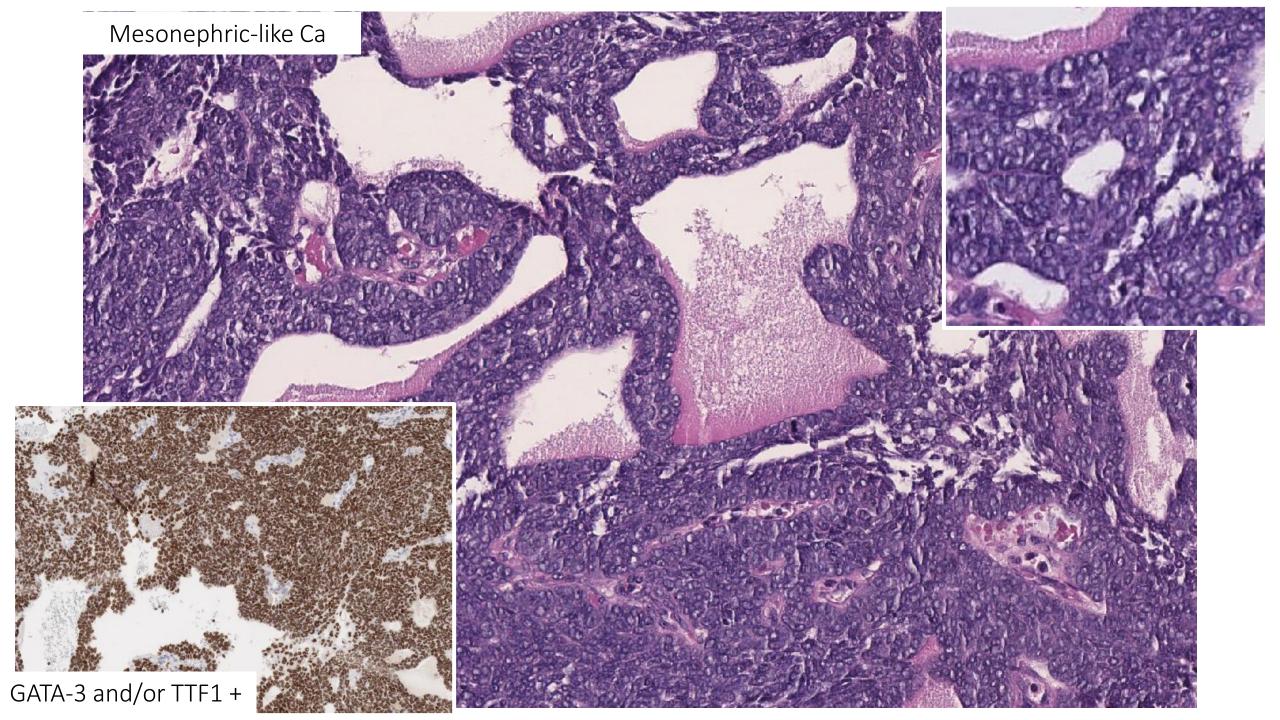
### Clear Cell Carcinoma

Molecular classes, in descending order :

- No specific molecular profile
- *TP53*
- MMRd
- POLE mut

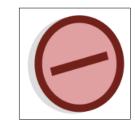
Most common mutations:

- ARID1A, 51%
- PIK3CA, 47%
- TERT promoter, 27%
- *KRAS*, 18%
- *TP53*, 12%
- ATM, 10%
- *PTEN*, 6%
- *POLE*, 4%





• CK7



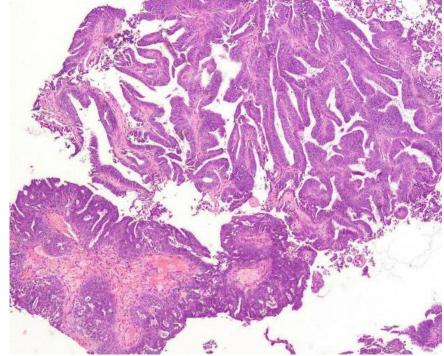
- PAX-8
- TTF-1

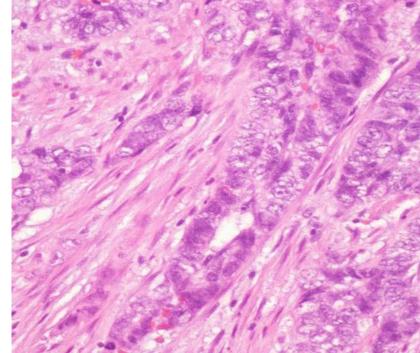
- ER
- PR

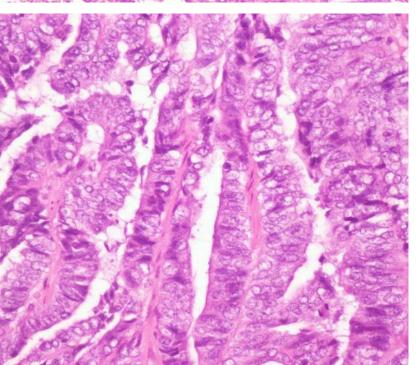
- GATA-3
- CD10 (luminal)

p53 wild type, HNF1B can be diffusely + Napsin A and AMACR can be +, but only focally  $\leq$  5% of cells

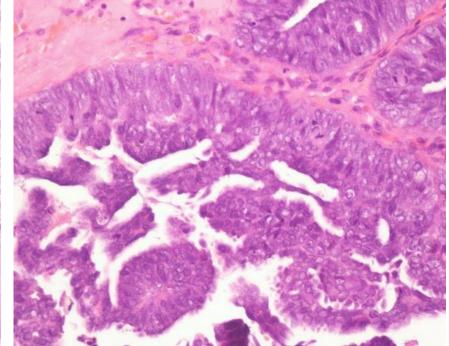
Endometrioid vs Serous... Think Mesonephric-Like

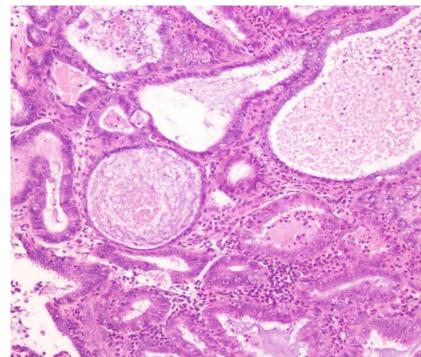


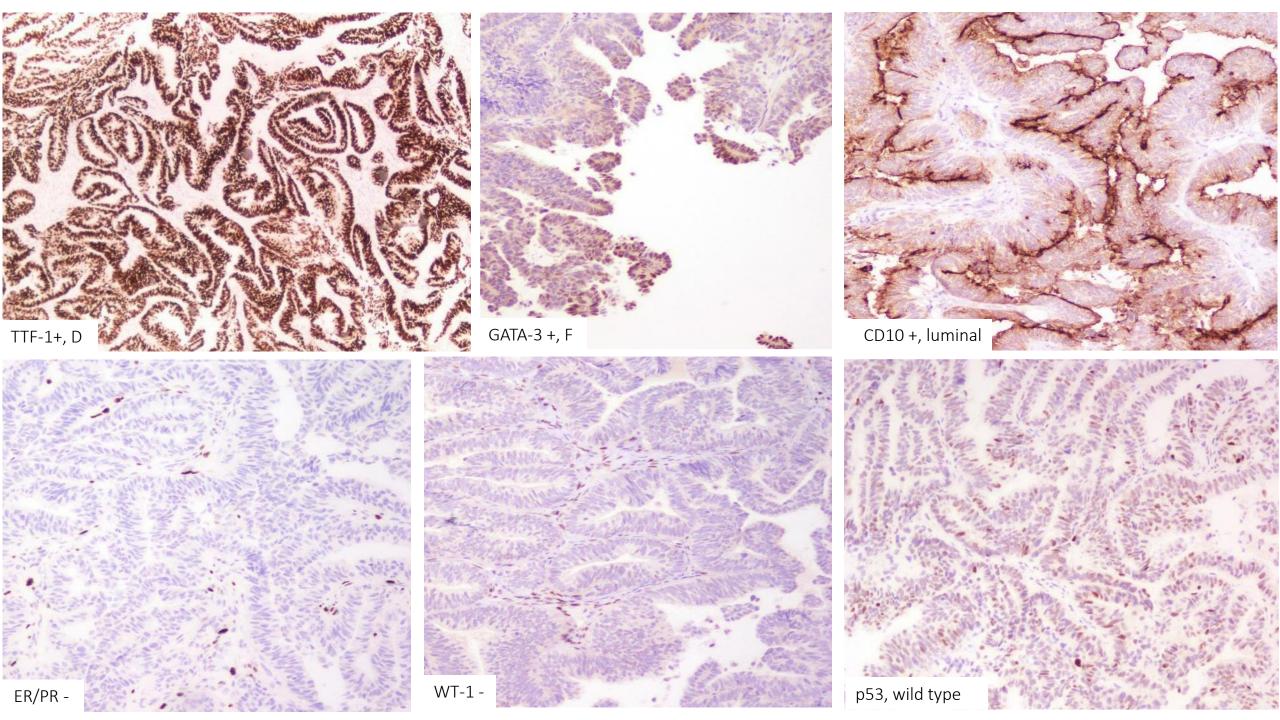




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#### Extrauterine Mesonephric-like Carcinoma A Comprehensive Single Institution Study of 33 Cases

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Pts' age: 37-74 yrs (median, 59 yrs) Advanced stage disease (FIGO III/IV), 13 Sarcomatous differentiation, 2 Associations:

> endometriosis (63%) borderline tumor (21%) part of a mixed Ca (42%)

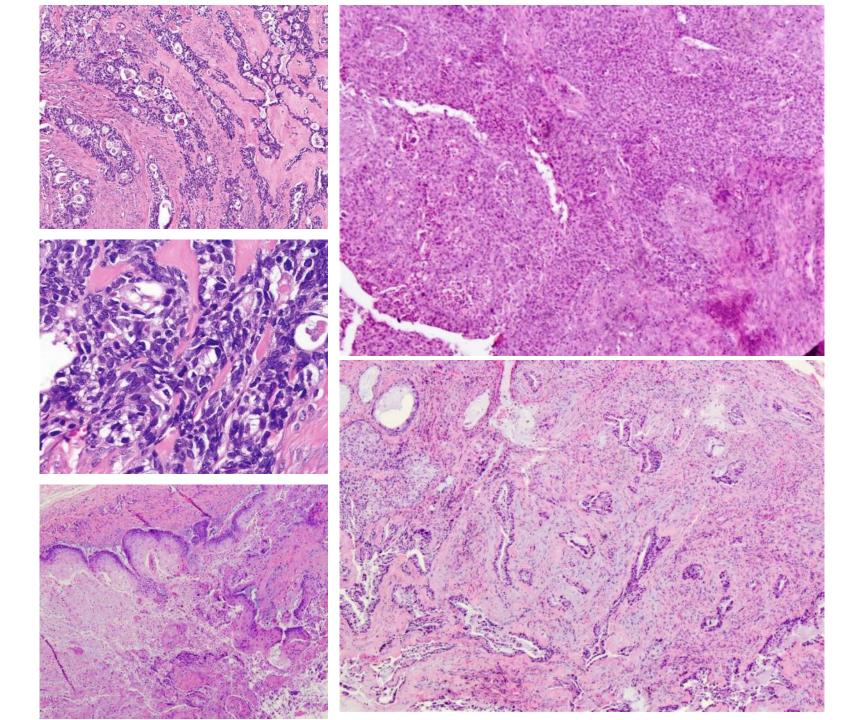
#### Misclassified, 42%

Molecular Findings: *Kras>>>Tp53, SPOP, PIK3CA* Metastasis: liver, lung, peritoneum More aggressive than low grade endometrioid Ca

# Malignant Brenner Tumor

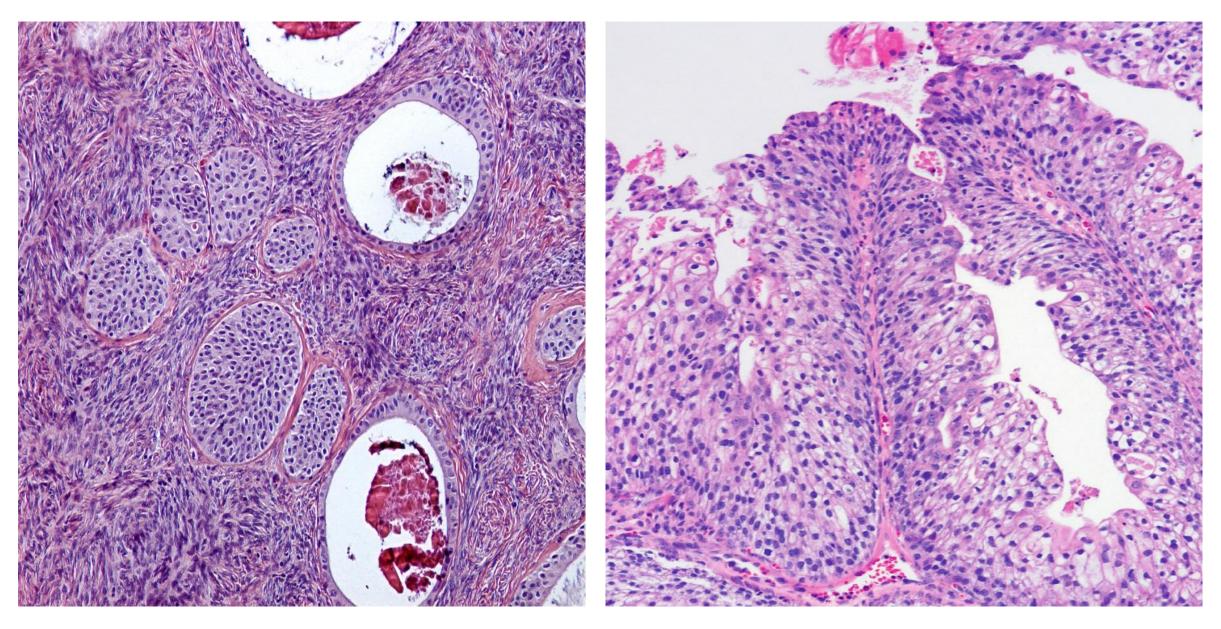
**Molecular Findings** 

- *PIK3CA* mutations
- *MDM2* amplification

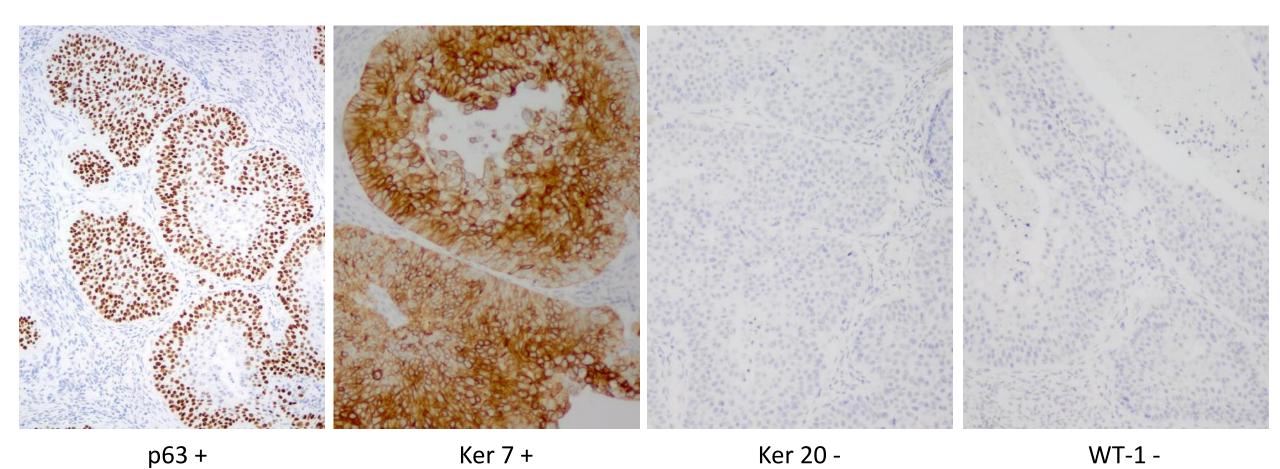


#### Brenner Tumor

#### Borderline Brenner Tumor



### Malignant Brenner Tumor



#### West Texas is About the Light



A view from Fort Davis

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Installation by Robert Irwin, from the West Coast Light and Space Movement