

# Pathology of the lower urinary tract and male genital system

# Neoplasms of the lower urinary tract

Incidence: Urinary bladder > upper urinary tract;  
male:female=3:1

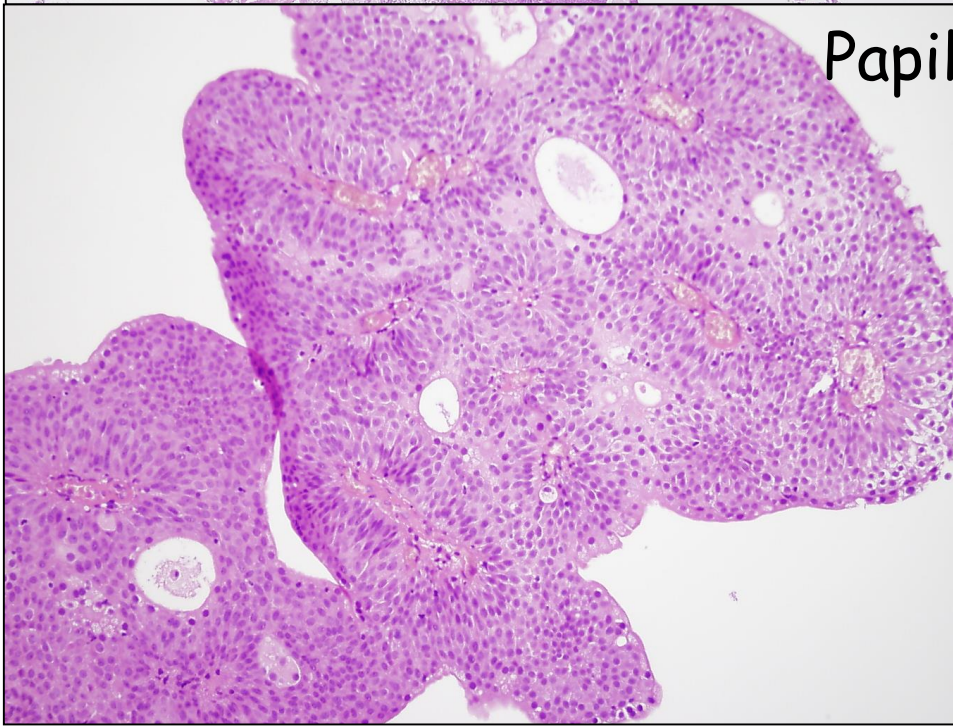
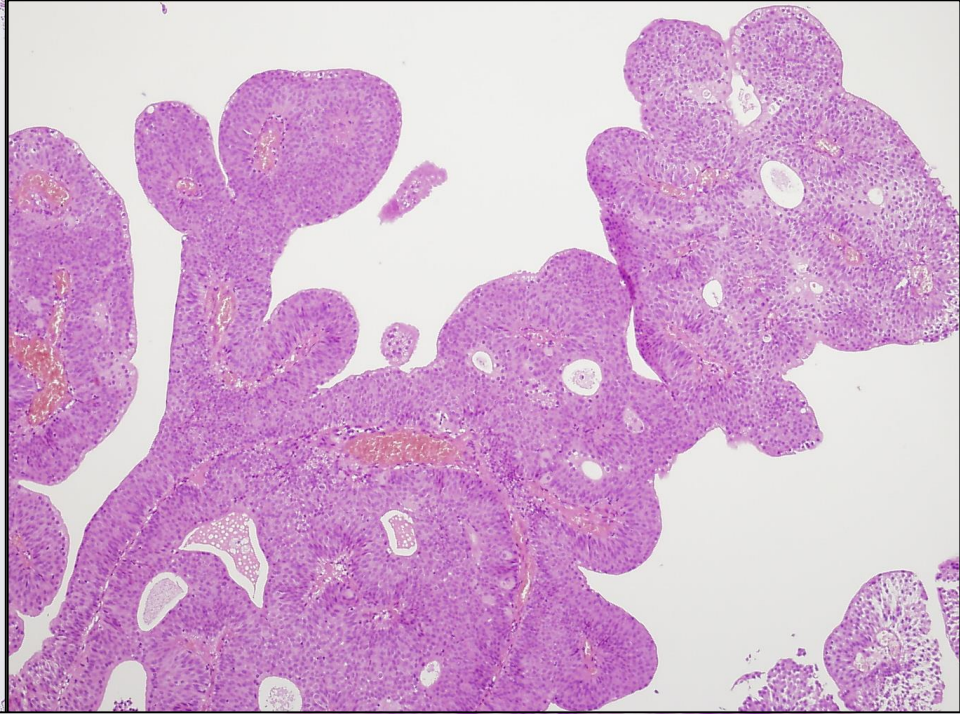
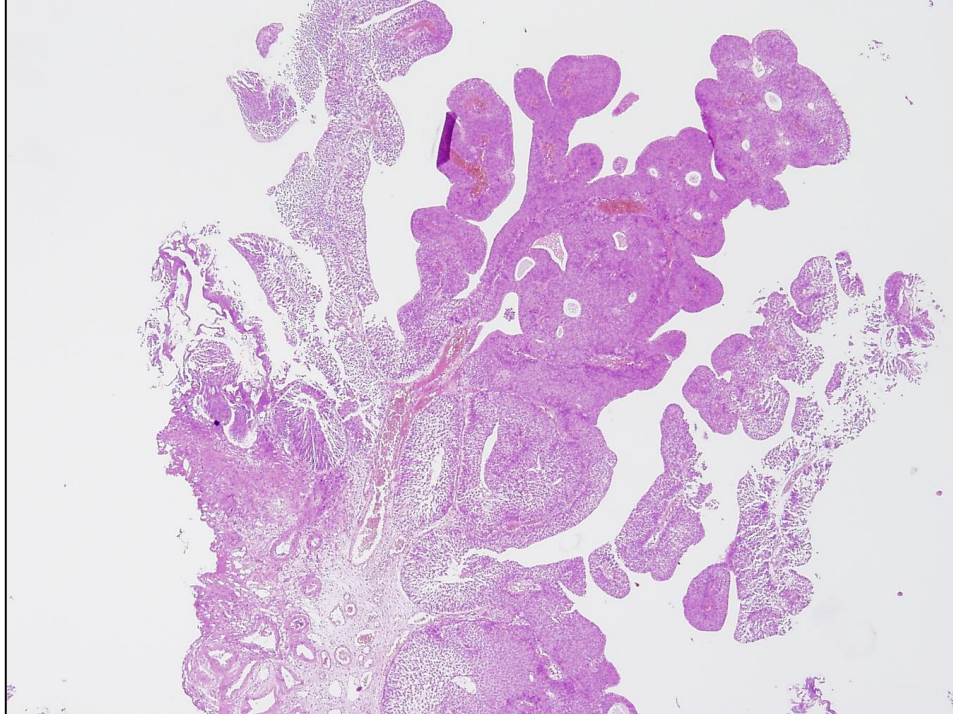
Symptoms: **painless hematuria**, hydronephrosis → costovertebral angle tenderness (obstruction)

Etiology: **smoking**, arylamines (2-naphthylamine, benzidine), cyclophosphamide↪chronic cystitis, fast food diet, Thorotrast (radiocontrast agent)

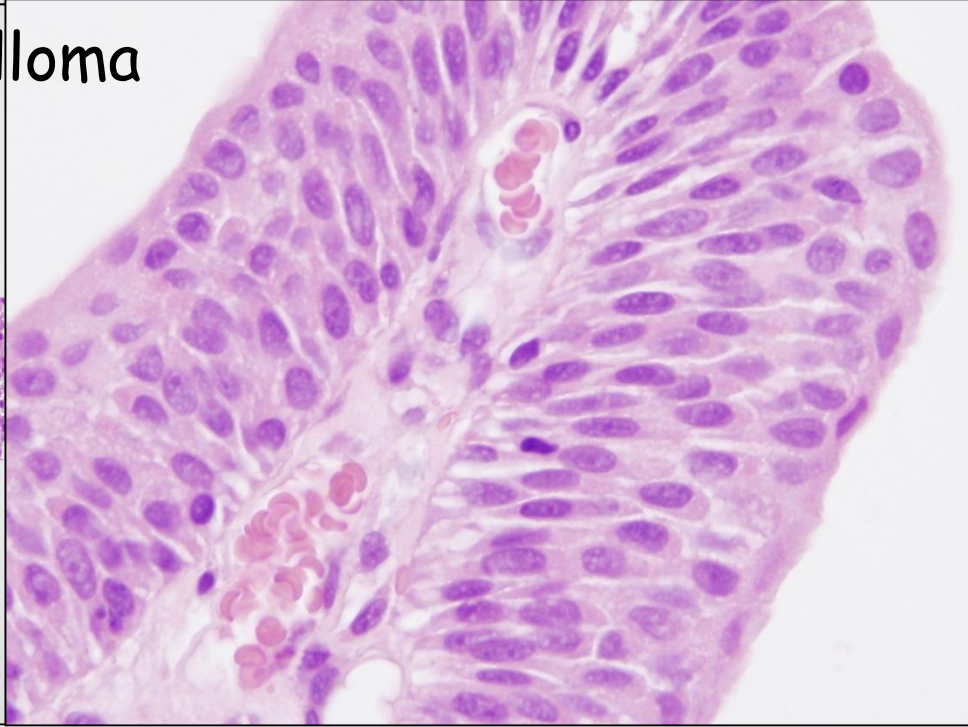
Preventive: Increased fluid intake and vitamin A

Histology: most often tumors are of urothelial origin

Prognosis depends on histologic Grade and T (level of infiltration)



Papilloma



# Urothelial neoplasms (Grade)

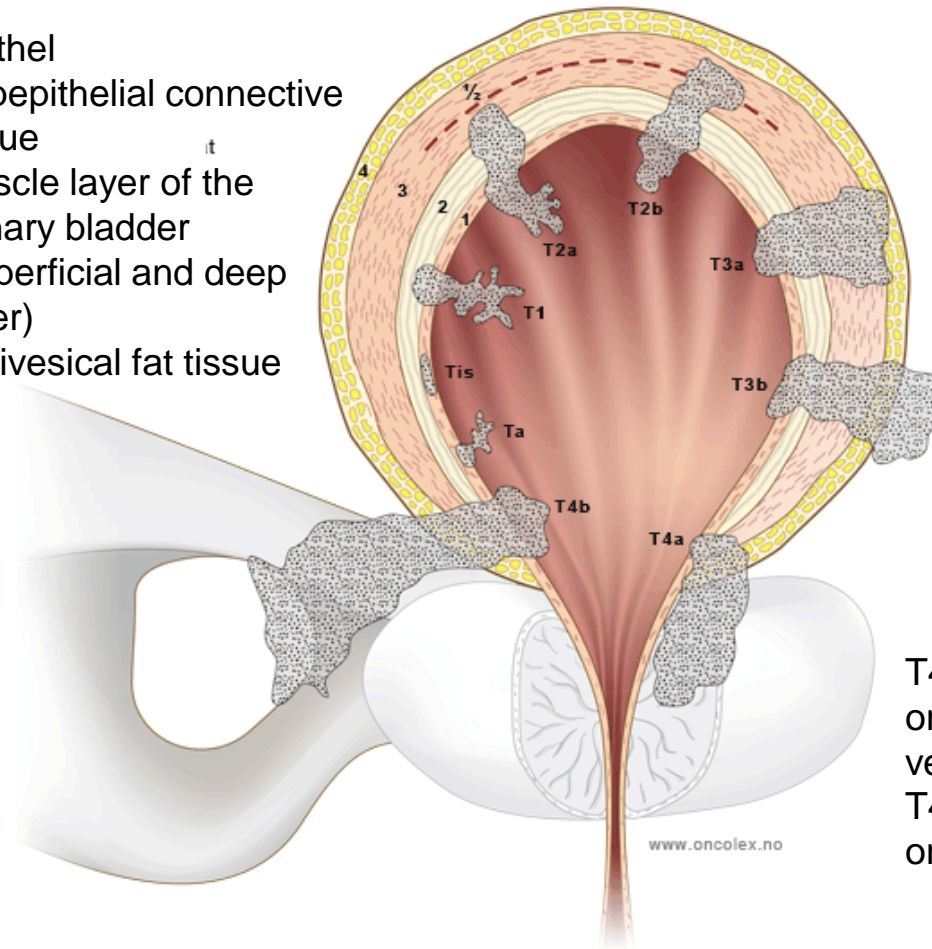
<b>Morphological features</b>	<b>PUNLMP*</b>	<b>Low-grade</b>	<b>High-grade</b>
<b>Umbrella cells</b>	Present	Usually present	Usually absent
<b>Polarity</b>	Fine	Mild – moderate disorder	Severe disorder
<b>Cohesion</b>	Cohesive	Cohesive	Dyscohesive
<b>Nuclear polymorphism</b>	Uniform	Round-oval	Marked
<b>Nuclear polarization</b>	Normal	Abnormal	Abnormal/absent
<b>Hyperchromasia</b>	Slight	Moderate	Moderate/marked
<b>Stromal invasion</b>	Rare	Not common	Usually present

\*PUNLMP: papillary urothelial neoplasm of low malignant potential



# Urothelial neoplasms (T)

1. Epithel
2. Superepithelial connective tissue
3. Muscle layer of the urinary bladder (superficial and deep layer)
4. Perivesical fat tissue



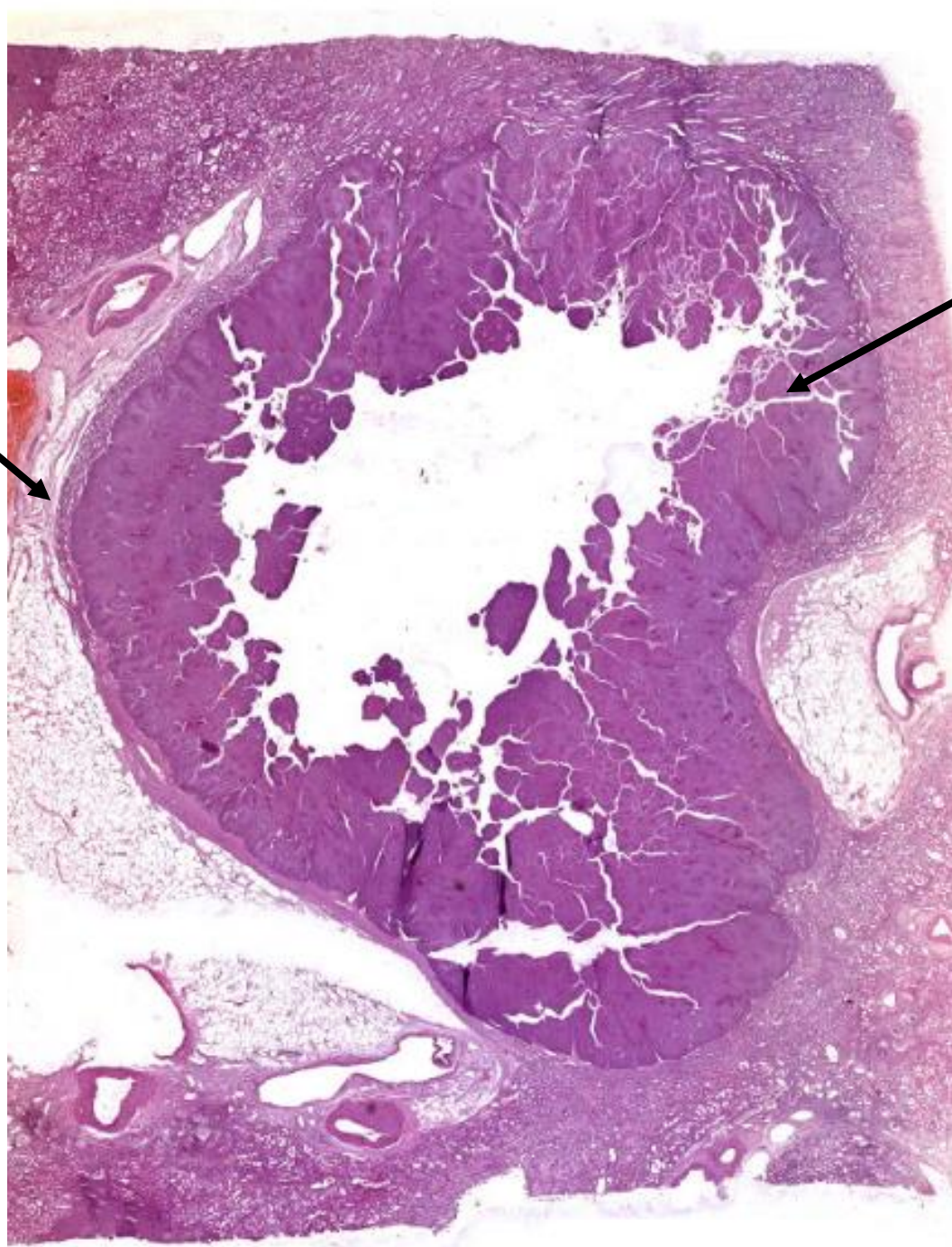
T4a: tumor invasion of nearby organs(prostate, seminal vesicles / uterus, vagina  
T4b: tumor invades pelvic wall or abdominal wall

# Urothelial carcinoma features

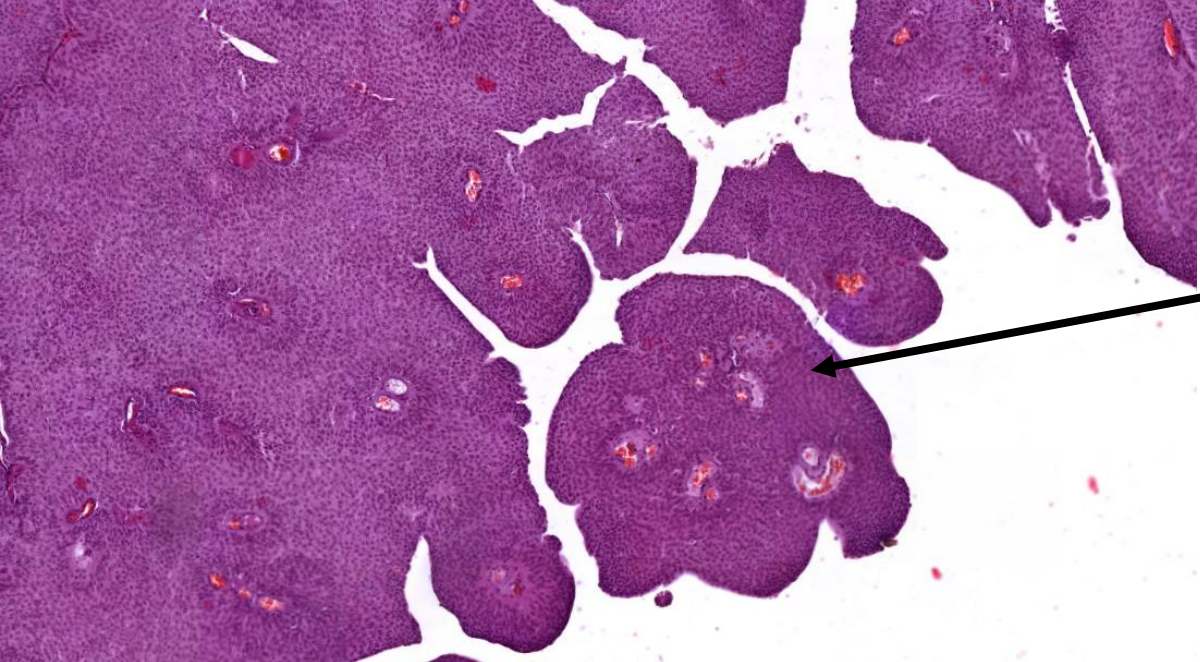
- Urothelial carcinoma (**papillary**/flat)
- Recurrent, multifocal lesions (metachronous)
- Diffuse carcinogenesis („field-cancerisation”)

Pyelon

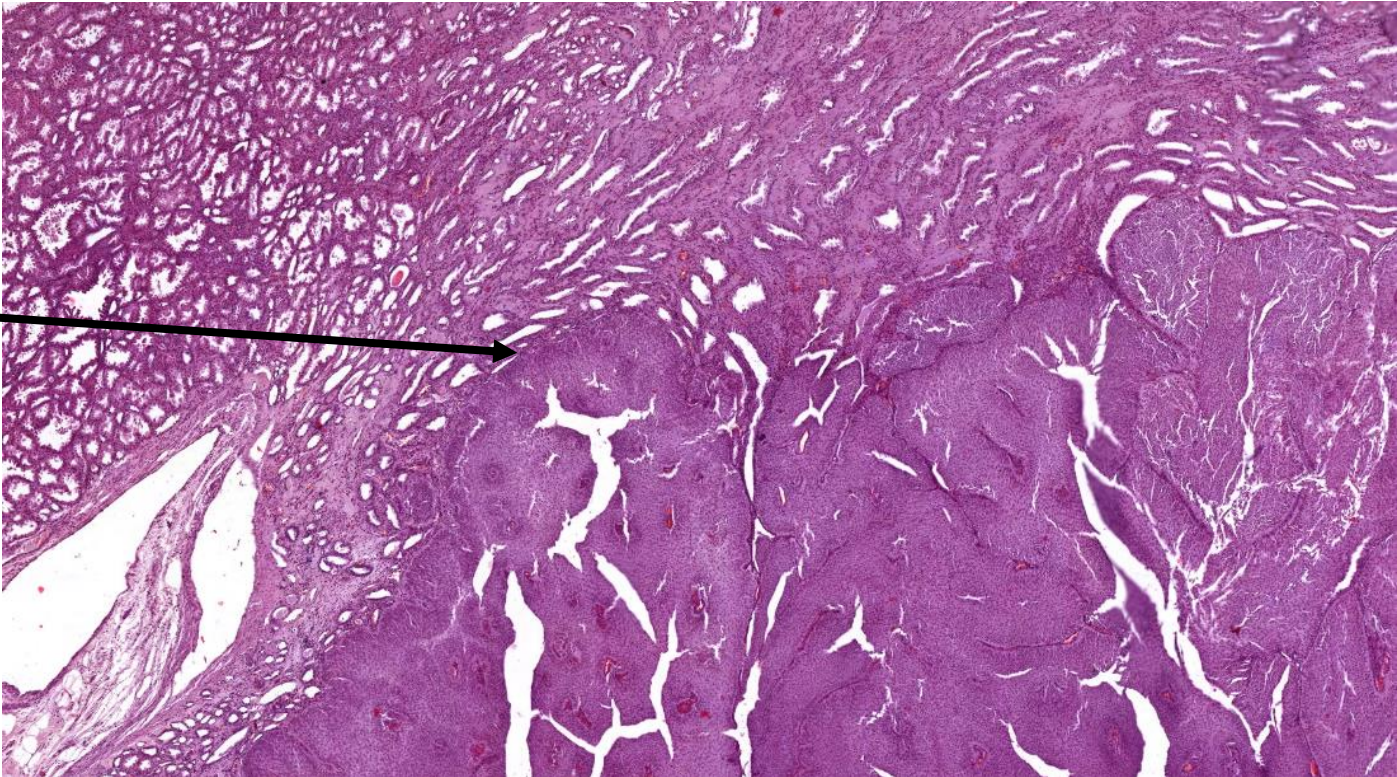
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carcinoma







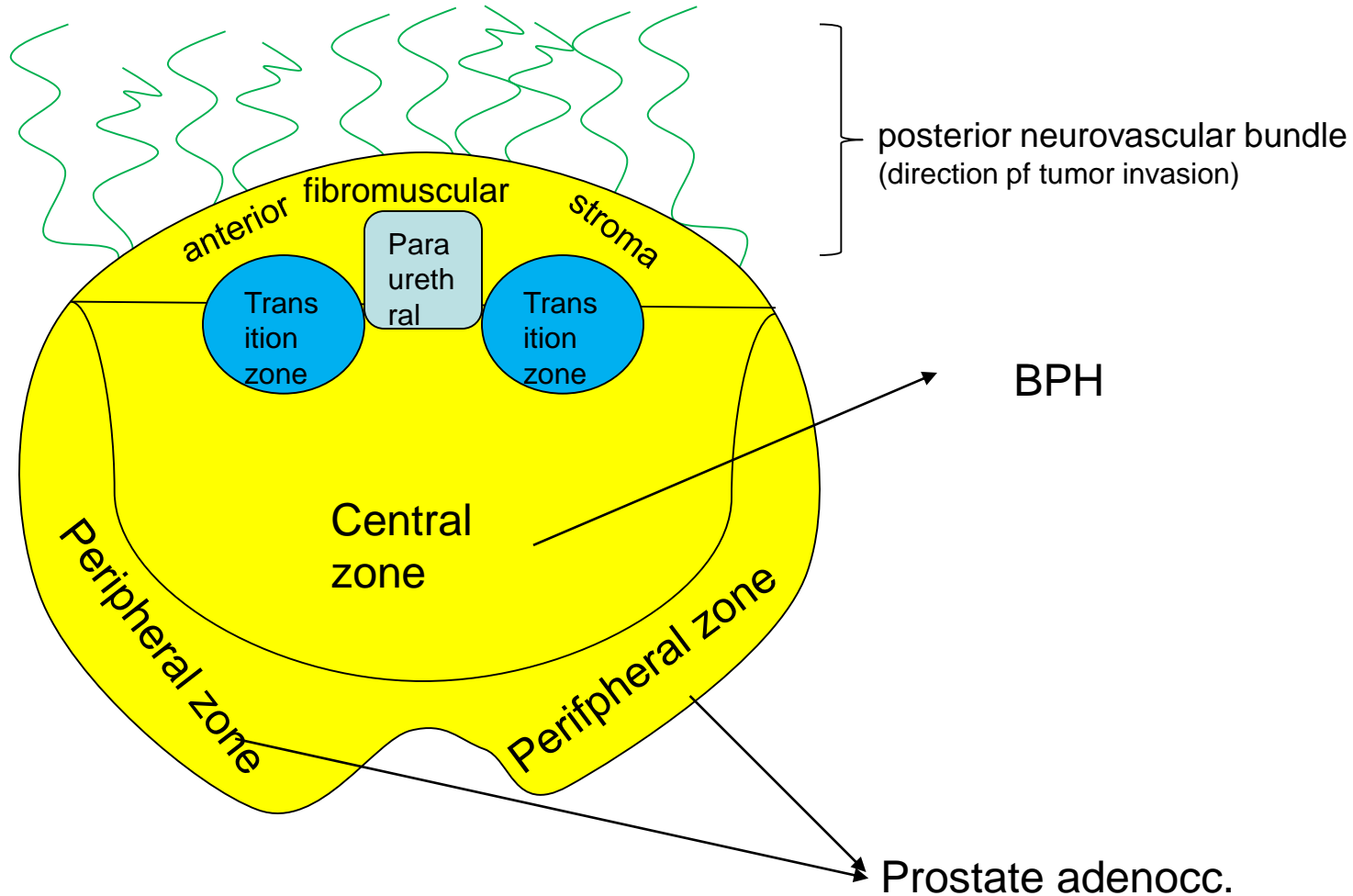
papillary tumor



Kidney  
parenchyma  
infiltration

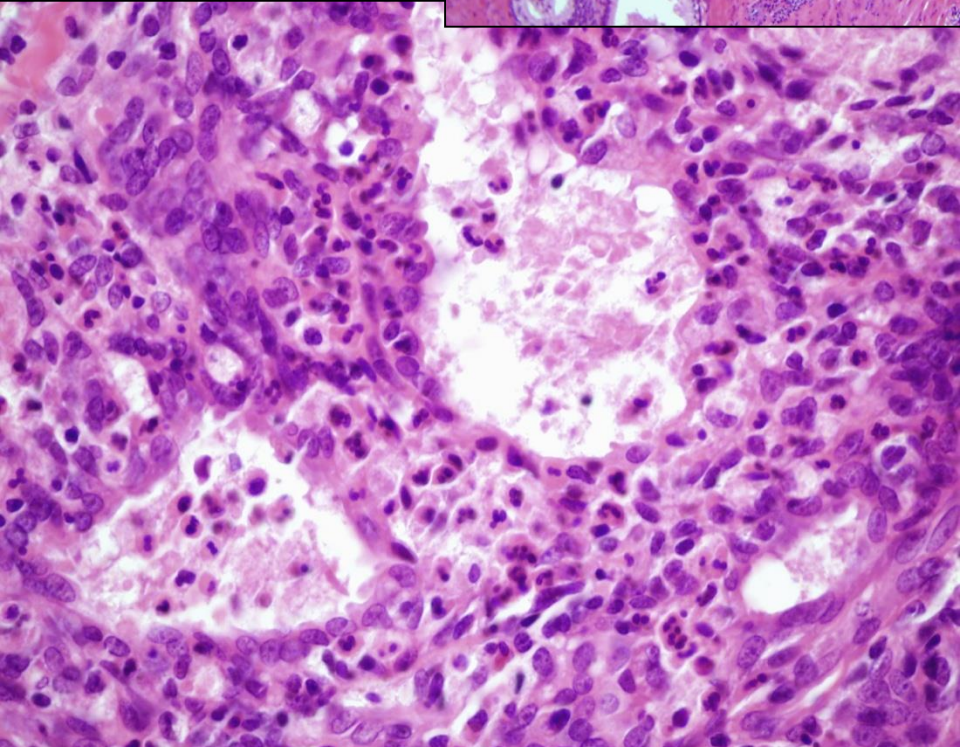
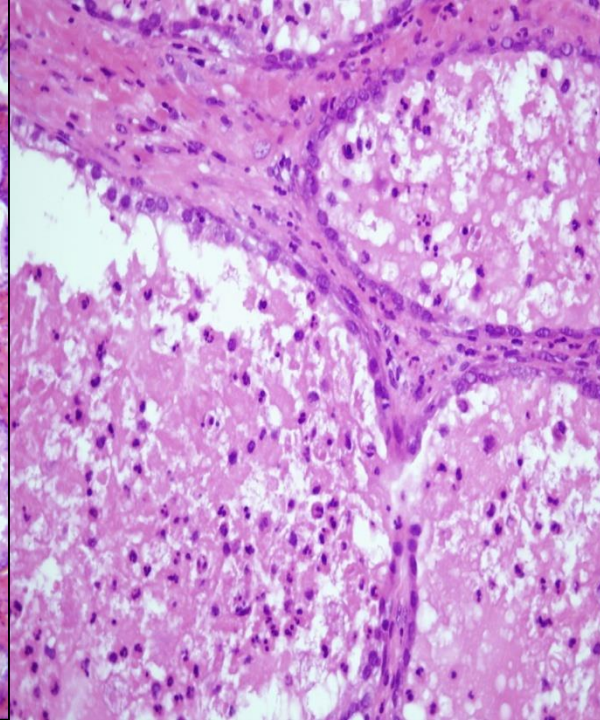
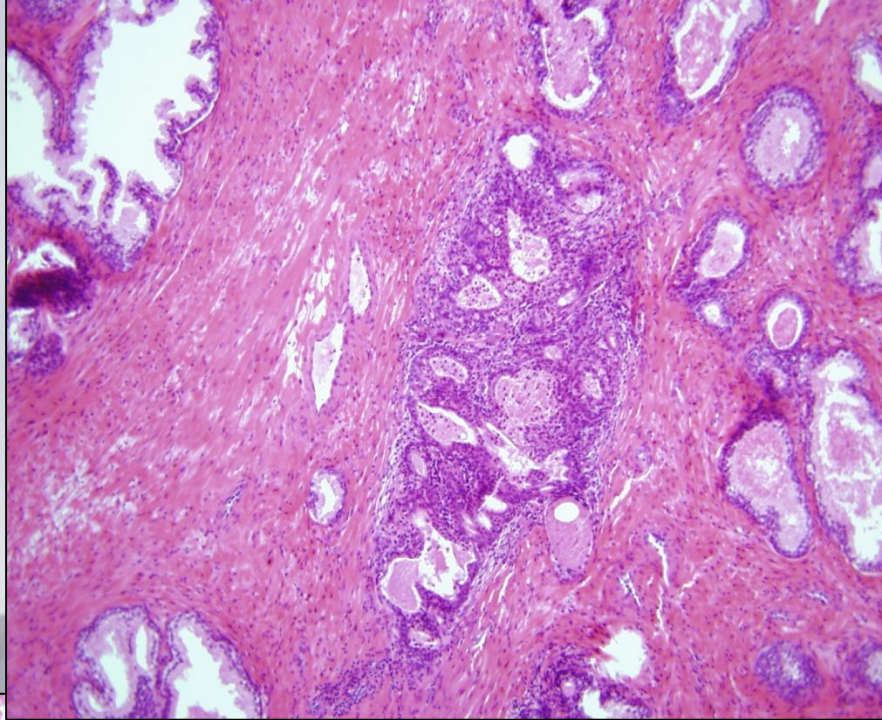


# Prostate anatomy (horizontal cut surface)



# Prostatitis

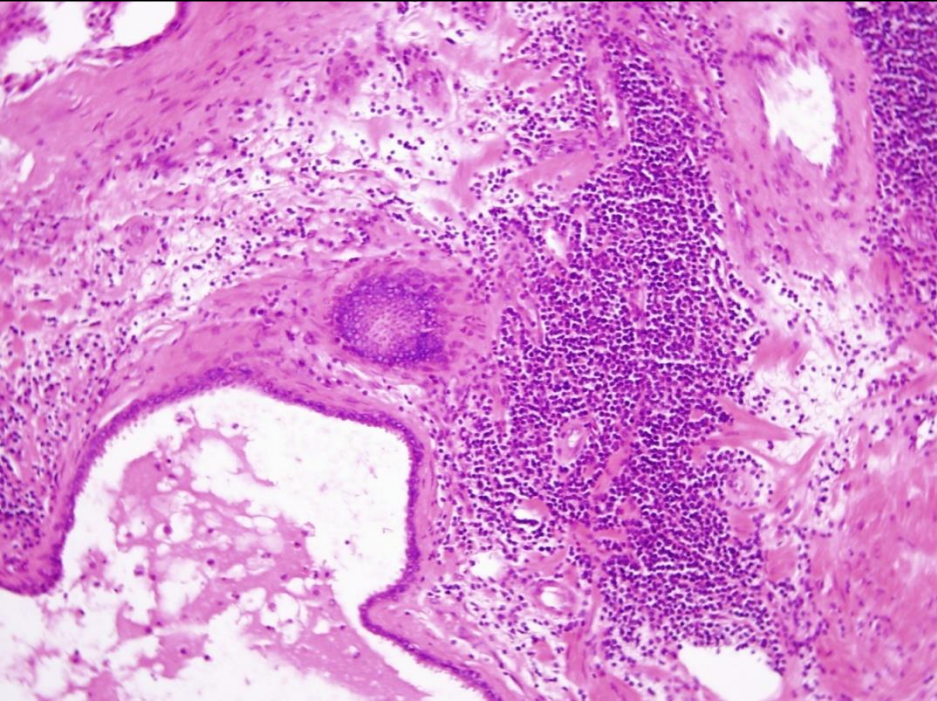
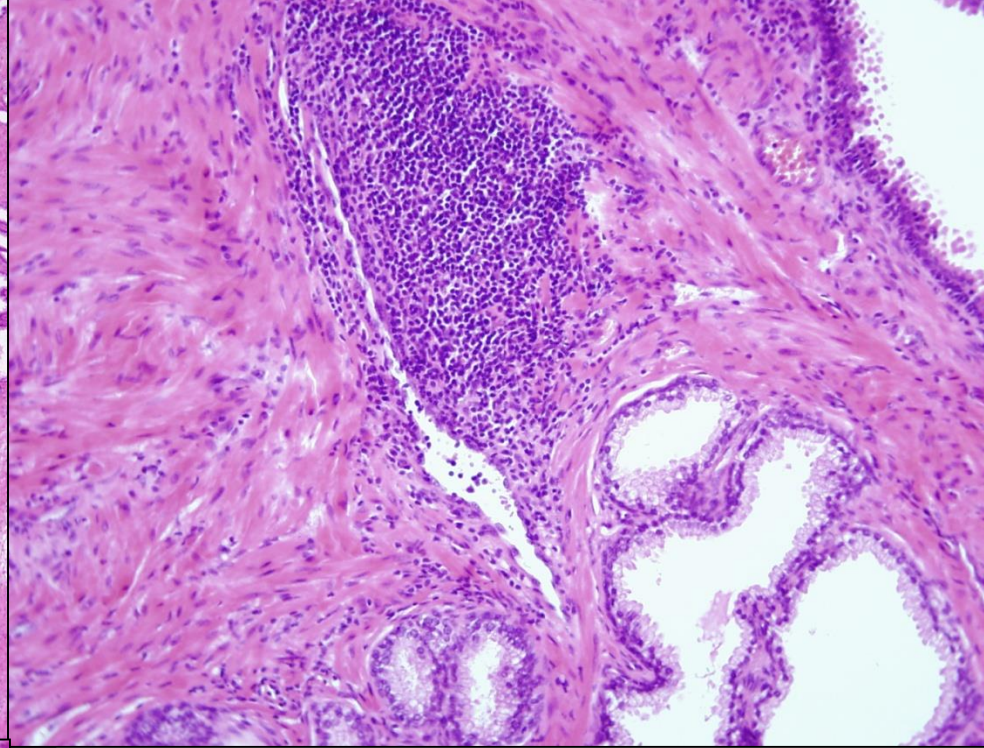
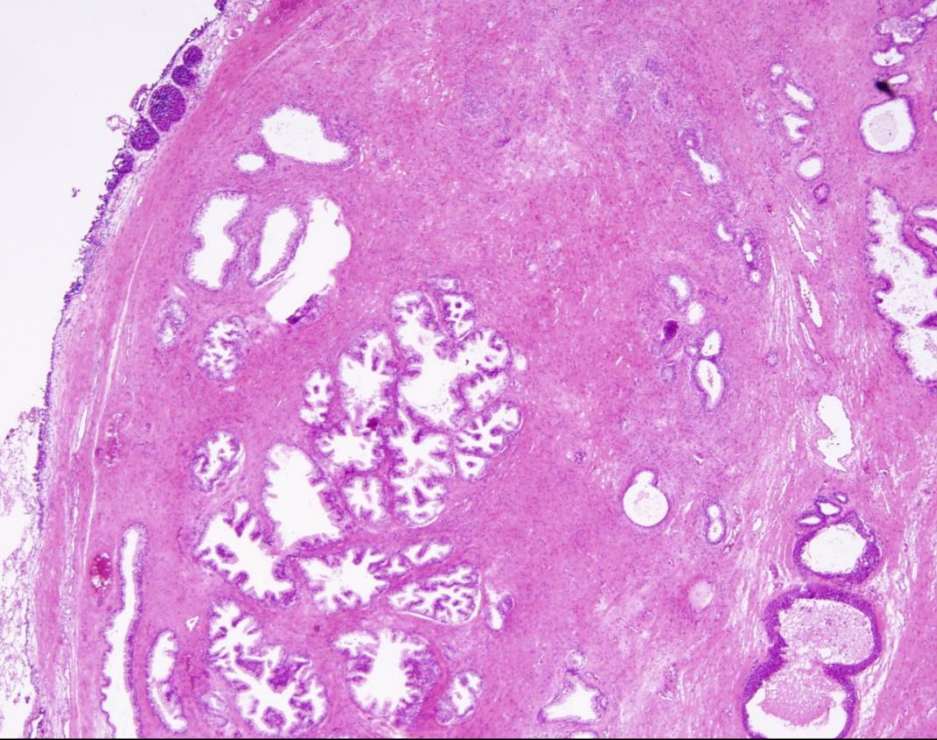
- Occurs at least once during the lifetime of 50% percent of the male population
  - Acute
    - General inflammatory symptoms + dysuria, stranguria, lower abdominal pain, prostate tenderness during palpation, pyuria, microhematuria
  - Chronic
    - Lower abdominal and pelvic pain, nycturia, dysuria, urgent need to urinate, obstructive symptoms, erectile + ejaculatory dysfunction
    - Dg.: „three glass test” (1.→2.→prostate massage→3.)
  - Granulomatous
    - Retention of prostatic secretion and after TURP
    - Systemic inflammatory diseases (sarcoidosis, tuberculosis, Wegener-granulomatosis, fungal infections)



## Acute prostatitis

Neutrophil granulocytes infiltrate the glandular epithelium → destruction of epithelial lining → stromal infiltration, microabscesses





## Chronic prostatitis

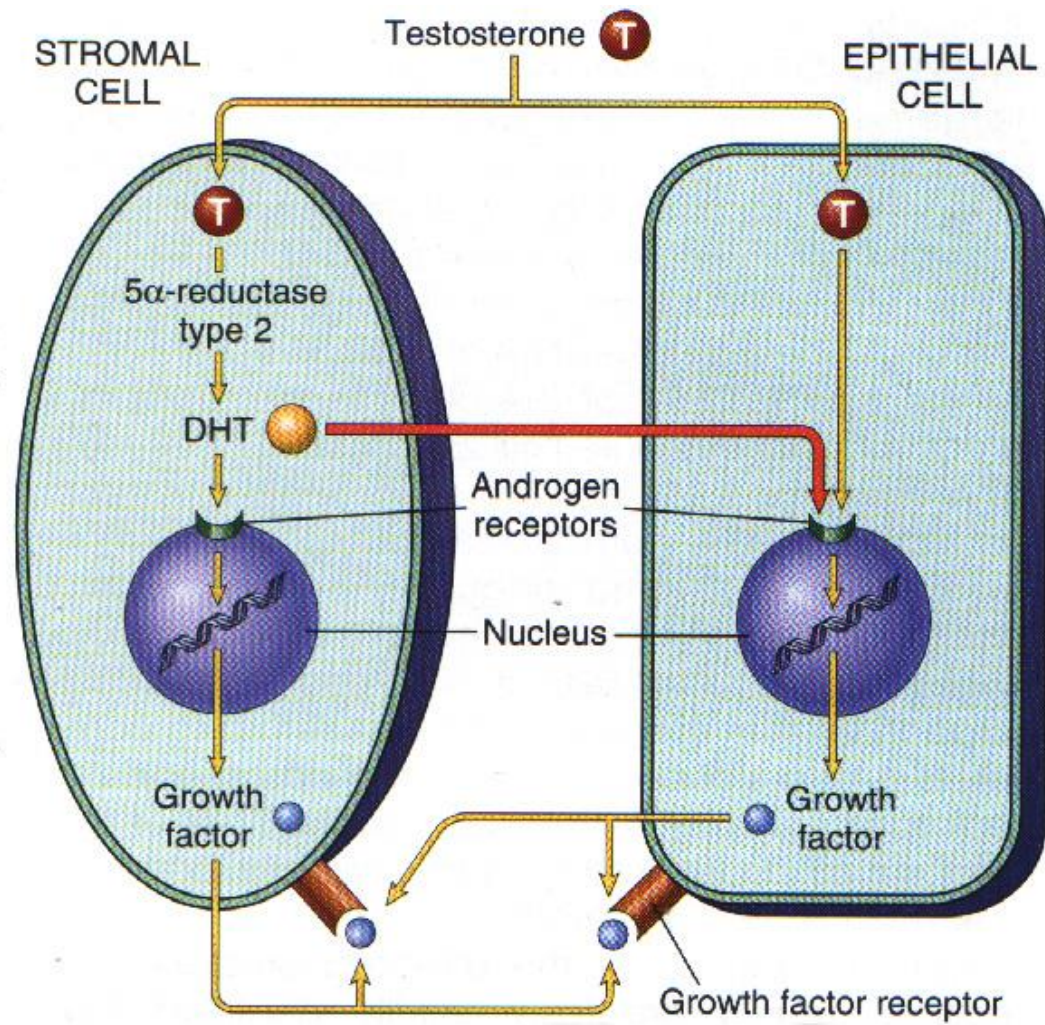
Non-specific appearance: lymphocyte infiltration + glandular destruction + acute inflammation

# Prostate hyperplasia

## Clinical features, diagnosis, therapy

- Incidence increases >40 years
- Urethral obstruction:
  - Weak urinary stream with interruptions, hesitation before beginning to urinate, terminal dribbling, dysuria
- Symptoms of irritation:
  - Nycturia, pollakiuria, alguria
- Rectal examination: symmetrical enlargement, „feels like an adenoma”
- Ultrasound, uroflow-examination + residual urine examination
- Th: alfa-blockers, 5-alfa-reductase inhibitors (>40g), TURP, adenomectomy (lasertherapy, hyperthermia)



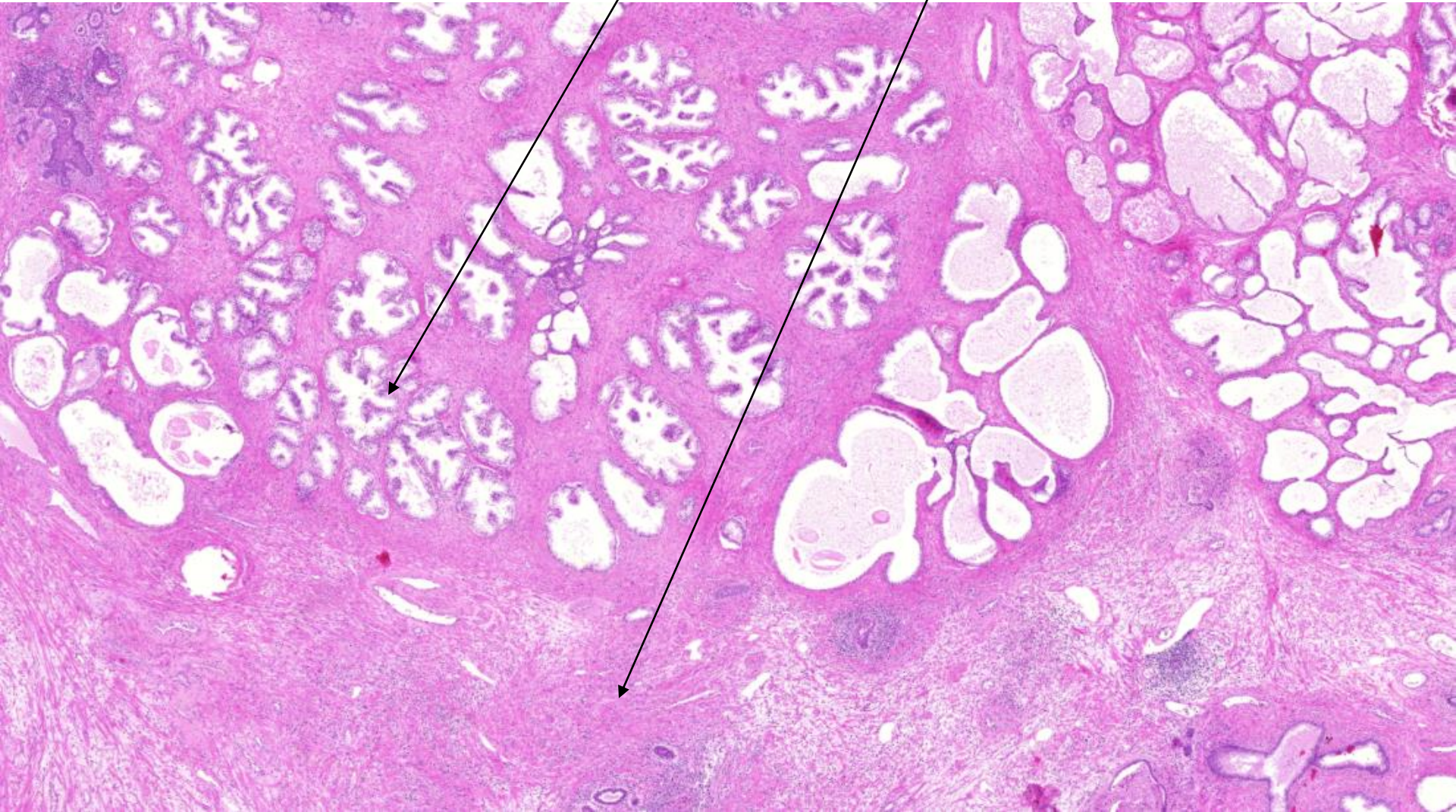




# Hyperplasia histology

- Hyperplasia of **epithelial** and **stromal** components (hyperplasia **adeno-myomatosa**)
- Nodular structure (solid or cystic)
- The nodules cause obstruction of the urethra and the surrounding parenchyma
- Glands are lined by two layers of cells, **basal cell layer** and luminal columnar cells
- Corporae amylaceae are often present due to retention

Hyperplasia of the epithelium and the stroma





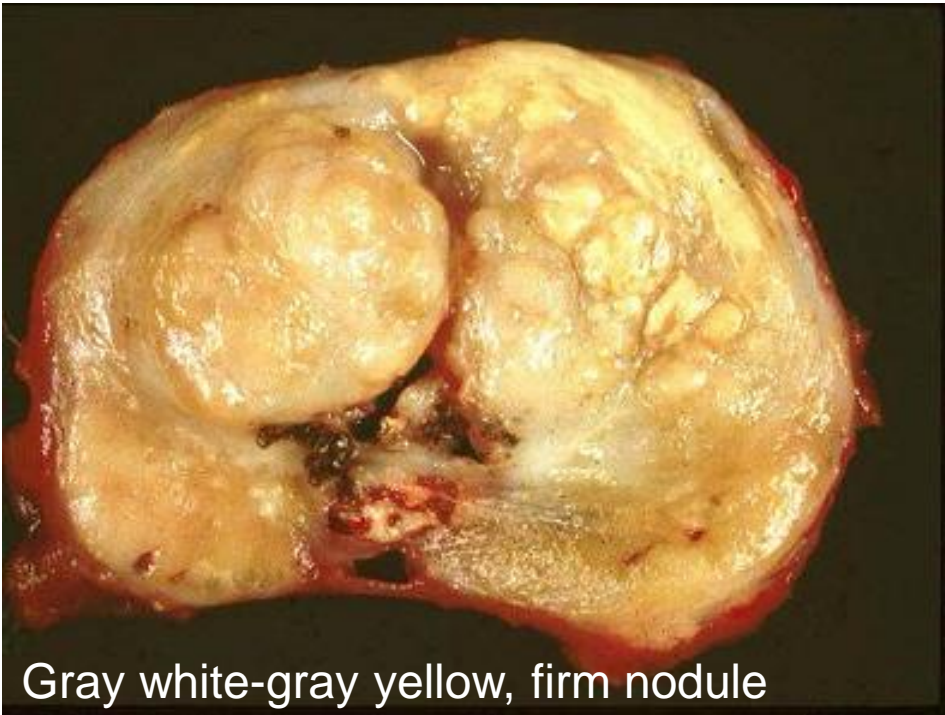


Basal cell layer



# Adenocarcinoma of the prostate

- Third most common tumor and cause of death among hungarian men; incidence is highest in men over age 65
- 70-80% arise peripherally → urinary symptoms are less common



Gray white-gray yellow, firm nodule

Metastasis: bone (can be both osteolytic and osteoplastic, Batson plexus), lung, liver, pleura, adrenal glands, distant lymph nodes, brain

- Clinically manifest: diagnosed
- Incidental: detected by chance during microscopic examination
- Latent: detected by chance during autopsy
- Occult: produces clinical evidence such as metastases or tumor markers, without the existence of the primary tumor being known

# Diagnosis of prostate adenocarcinoma

- Rectal examination: firm nodule
- PSA (prostate specific antigen)
  - 4 ng/ml > normal
  - 4-10 ng/ml: grey zone
  - 10-25 ng/ml: concern of cancer (can be BPH)
  - 25 ng/ml < almost 100% definitive for carcinoma
- PCA3-test: prostate massage→prostate acinar cells in urine→PCA3/PSA mRNS expression = PCA3 index
- **Transrectal mapping biopsy**

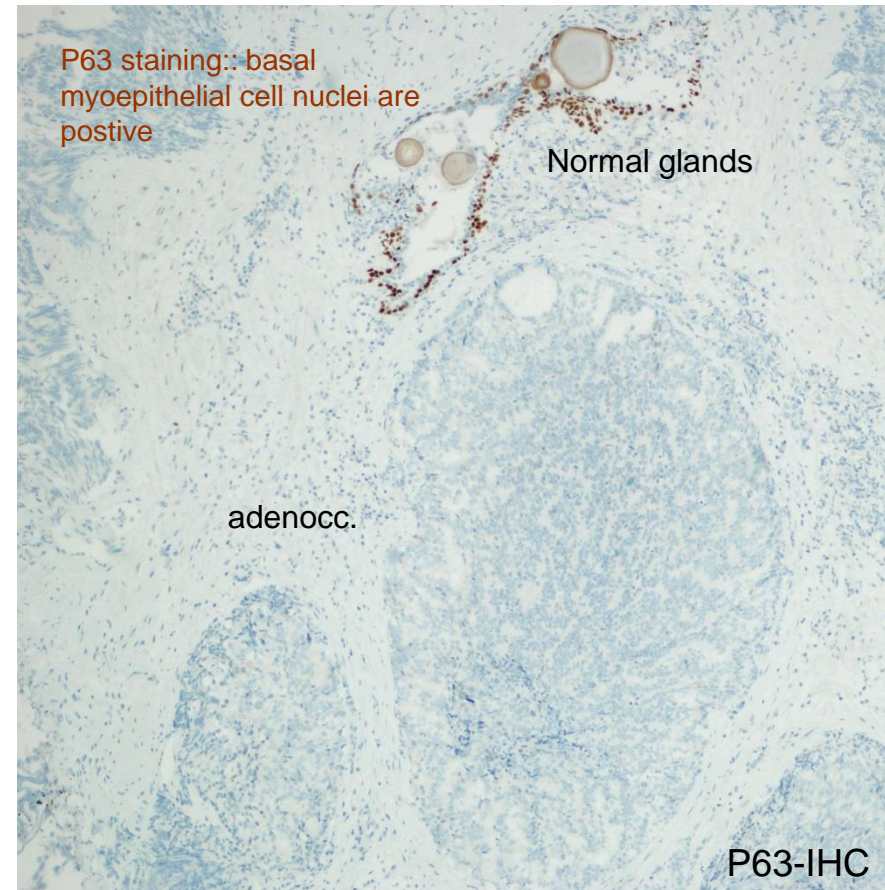
# Mikroscopic features

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Precancerous condition: PIN = prostate intraepithelial neoplasia

Prostate carcinoma:

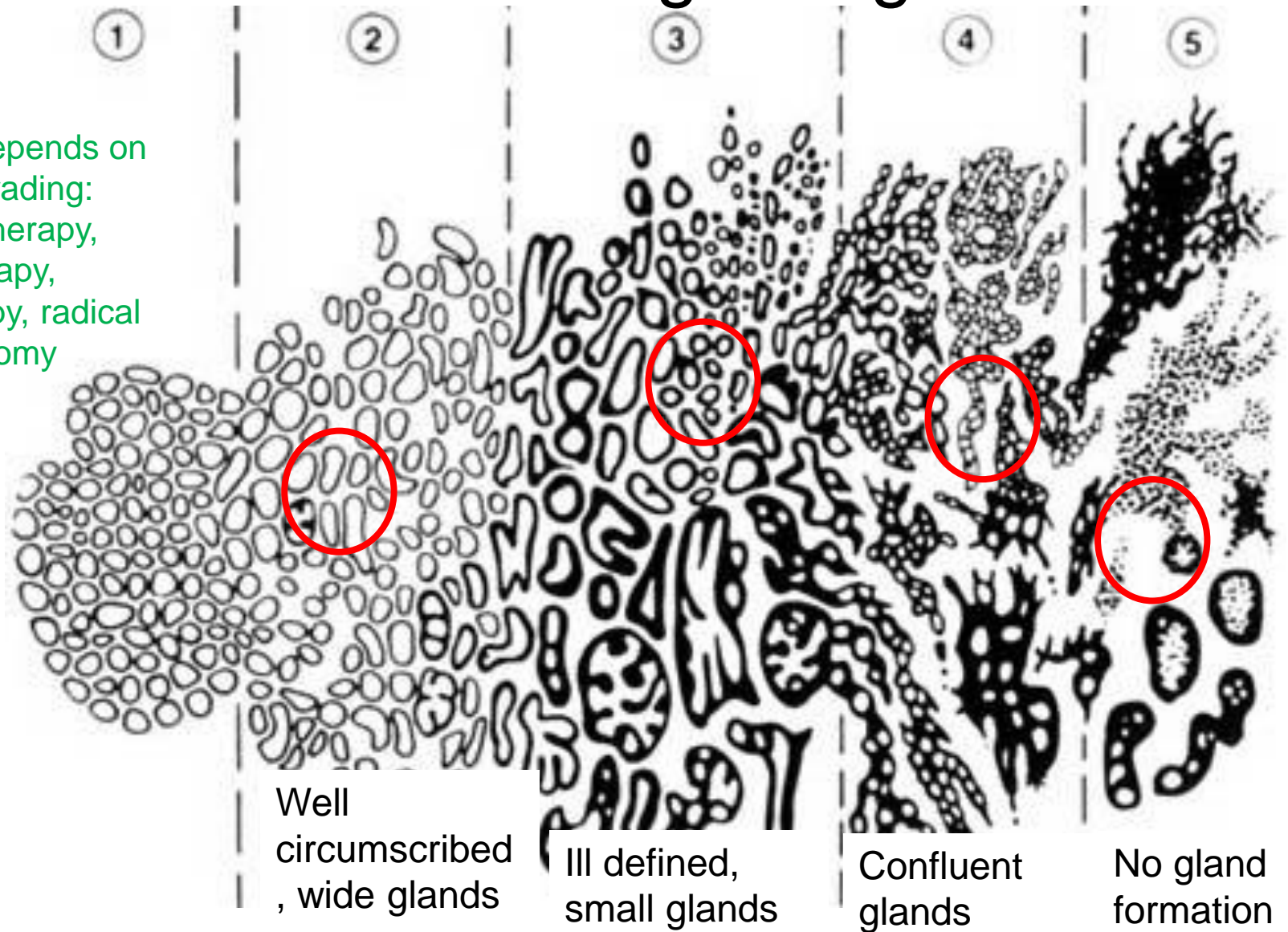
- back-to back, small glands (structural atypia!)
- prominent, eosinophilic nucleolus
- anlarged, hyperchrom nuclei
- **basal cell layer is absent!**



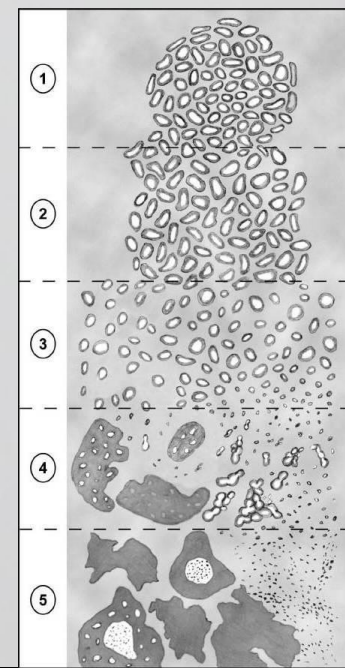
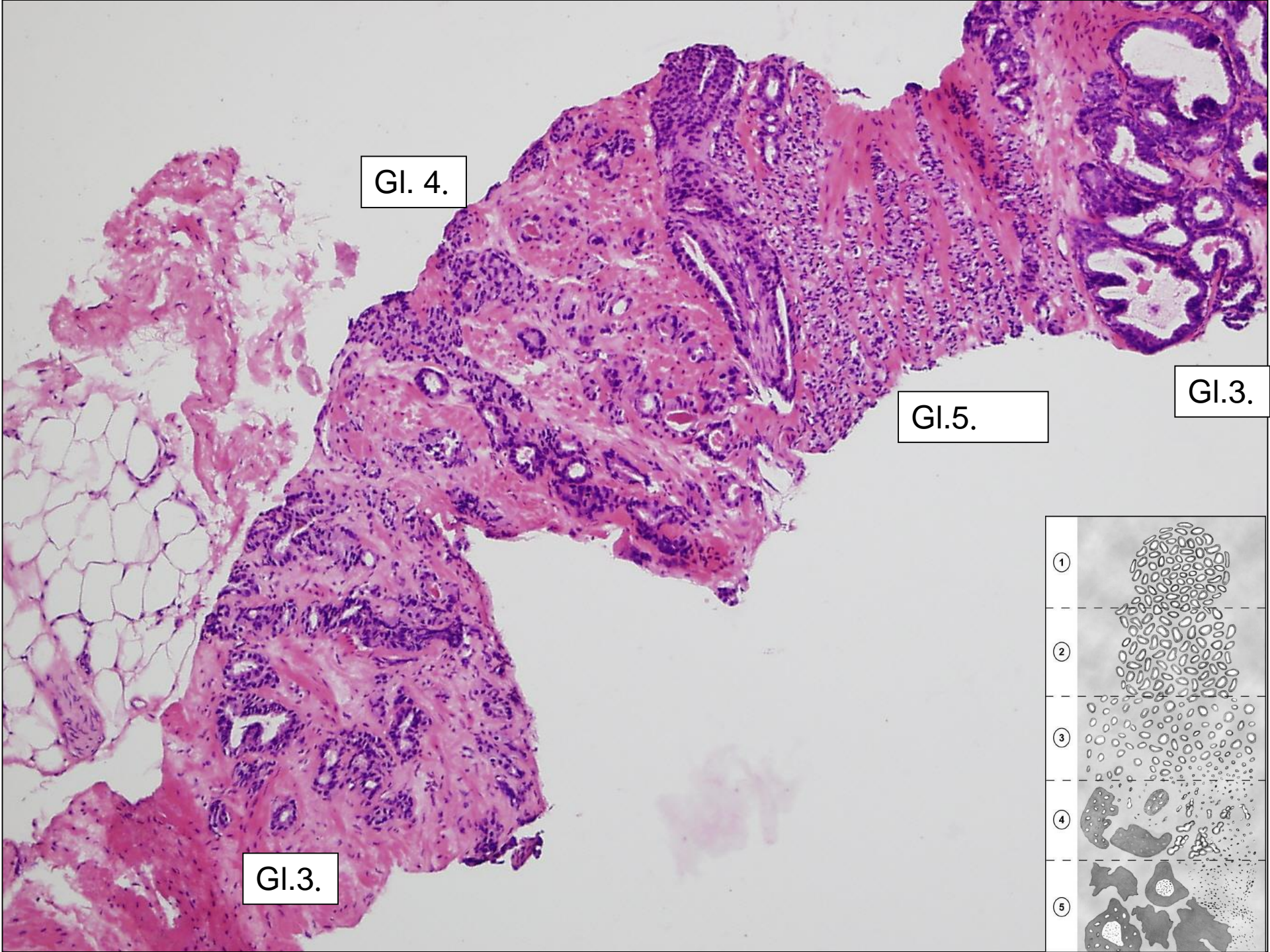


# Gleason grading

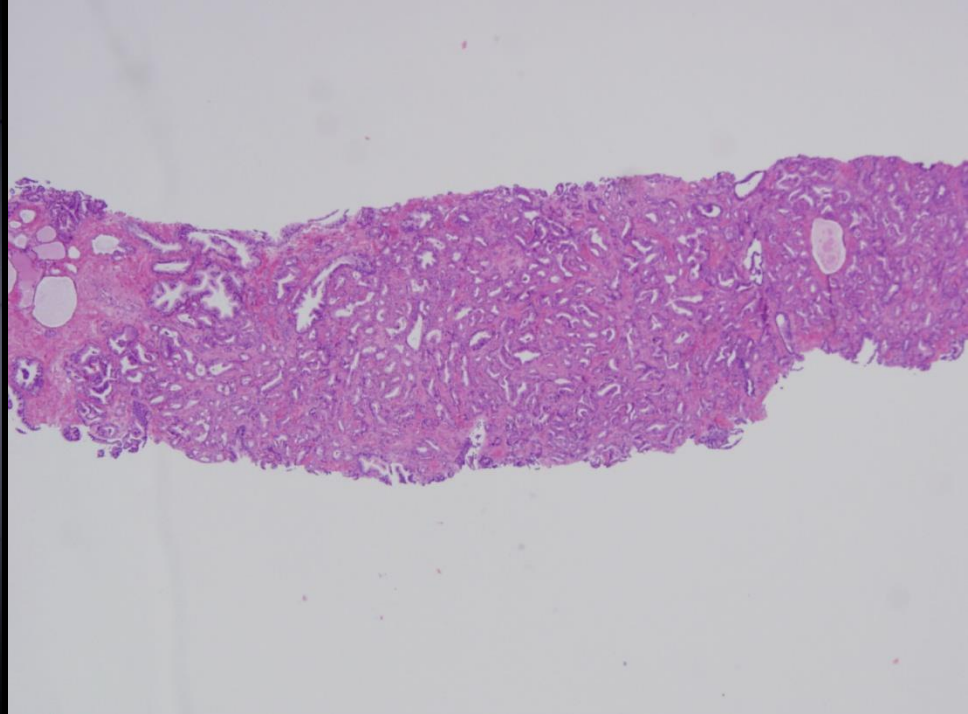
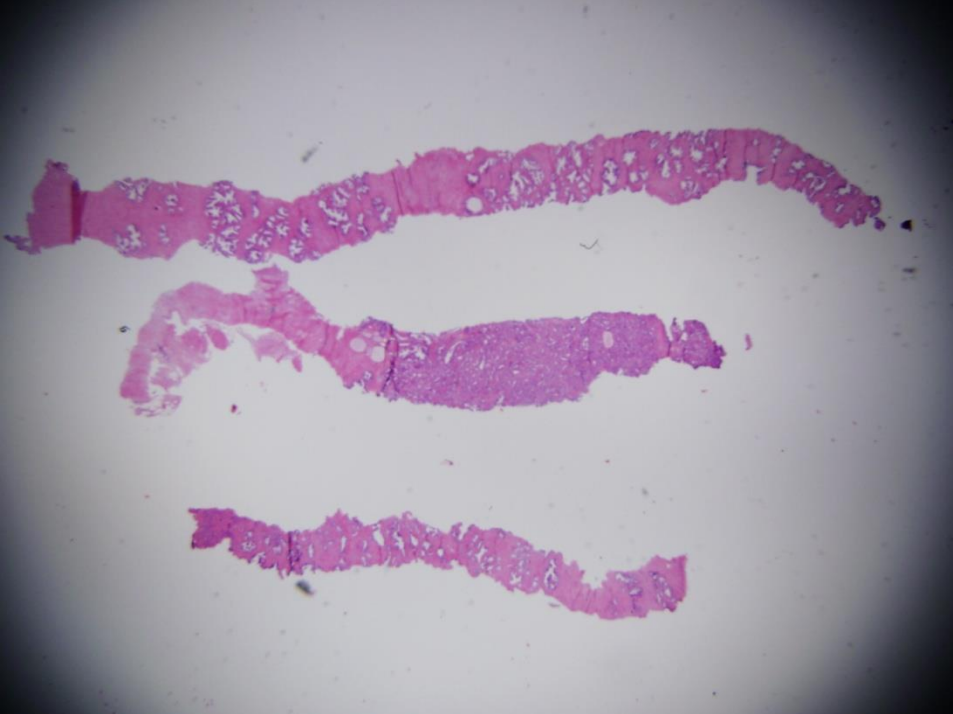
Therapy depends on  
Gleason grading:  
hormone therapy,  
chemotherapy,  
radiotherapy, radical  
prostatectomy



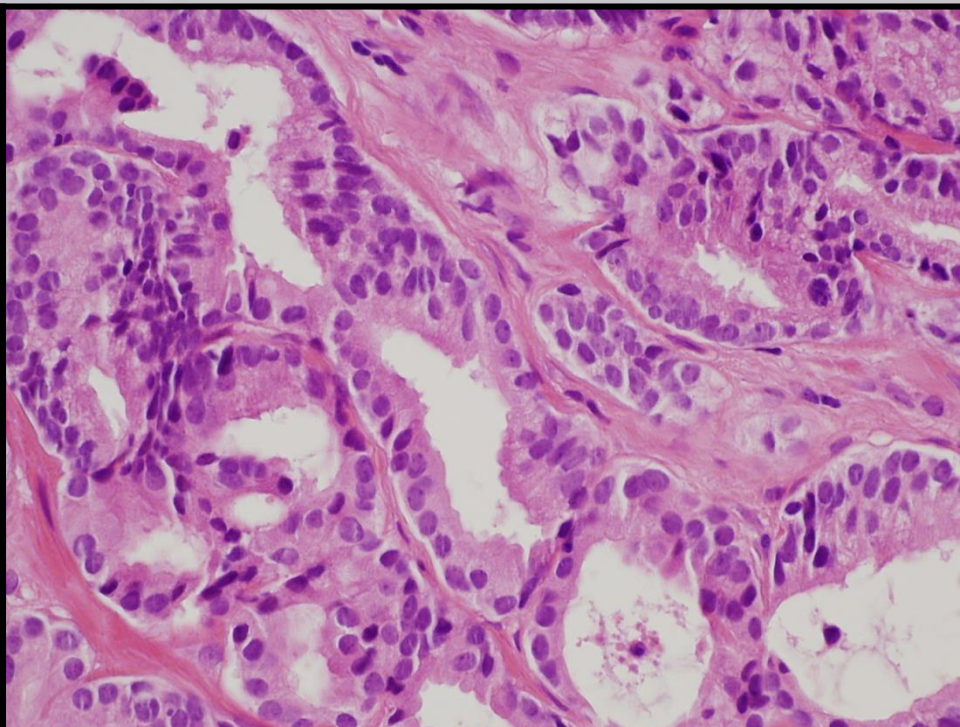
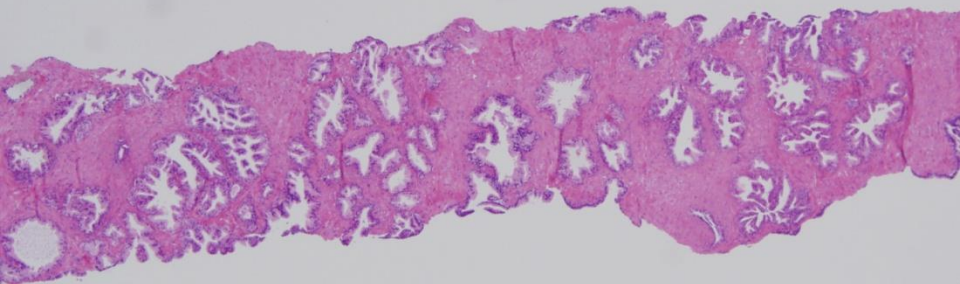






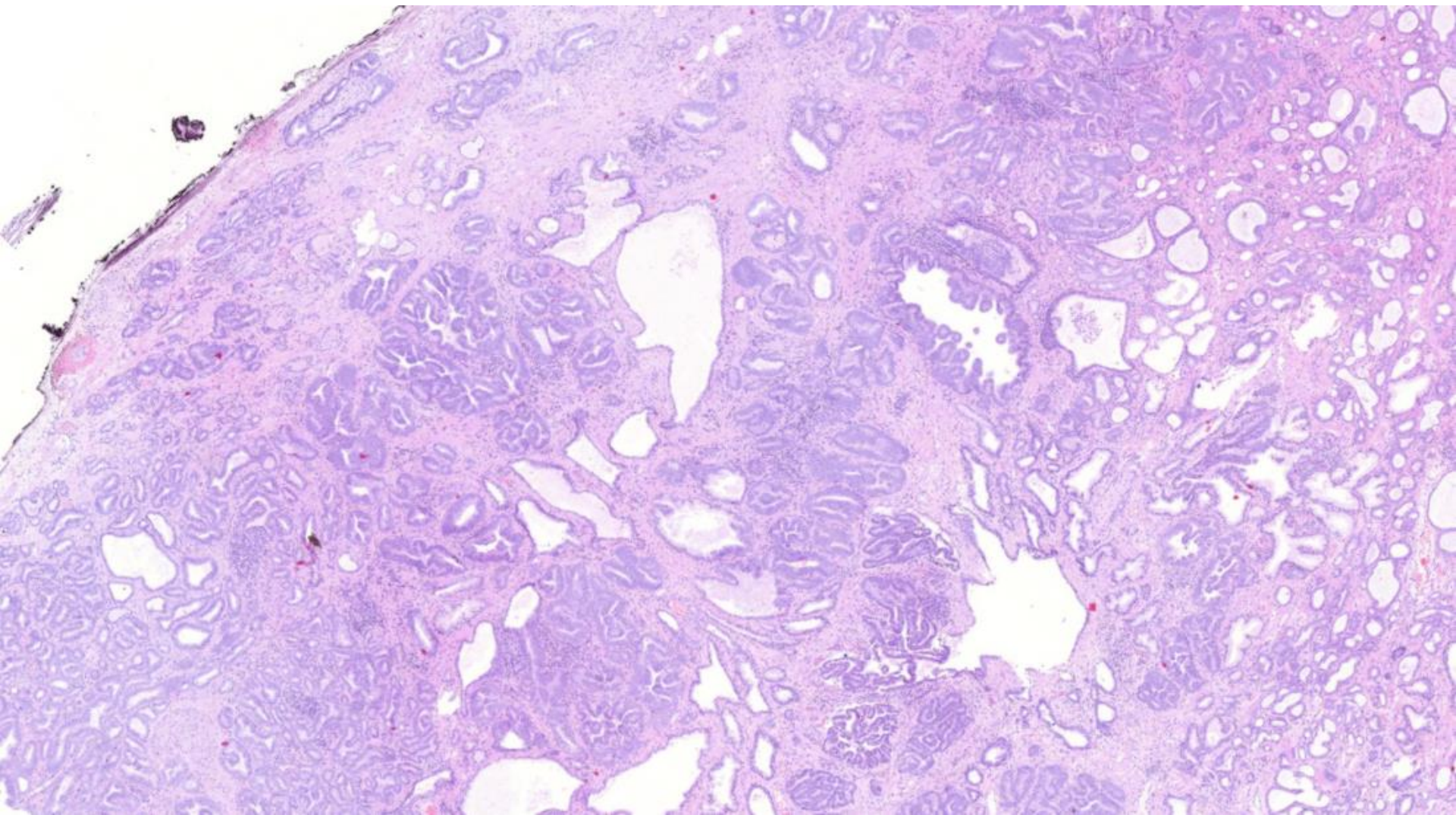


Dg.:adenocarcinoma,  
Gleason 3

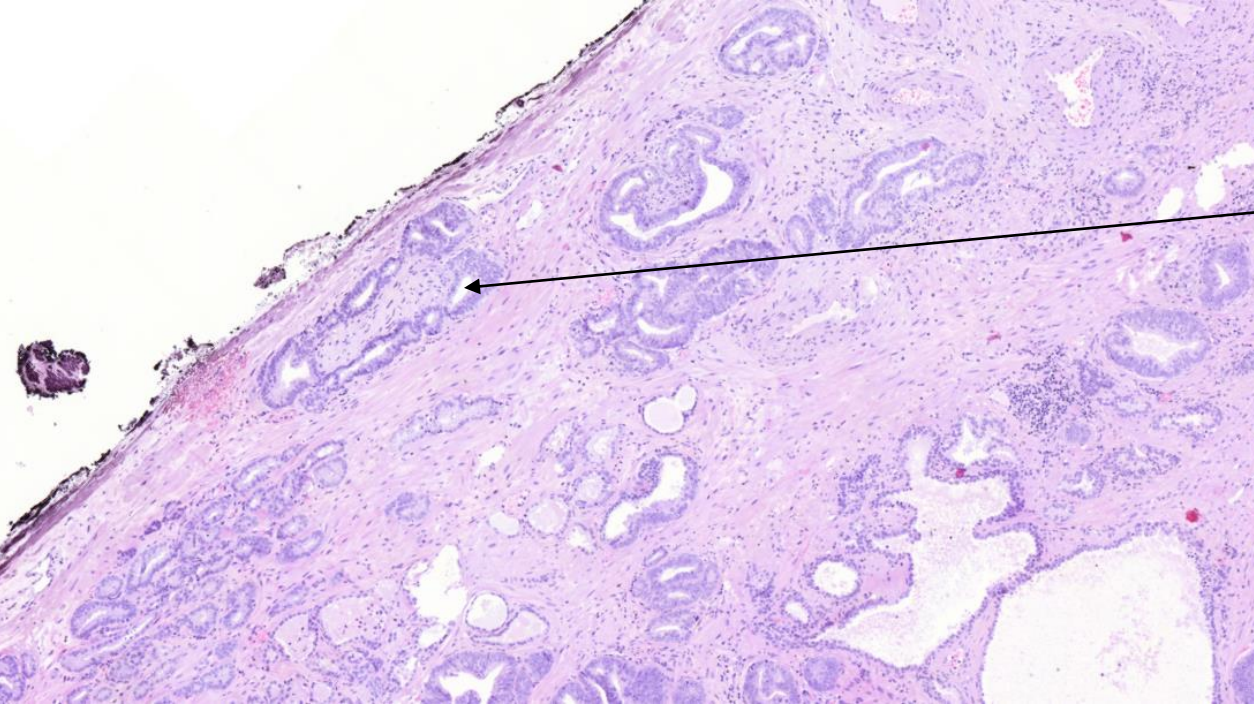




## Prostate adenocarcinoma

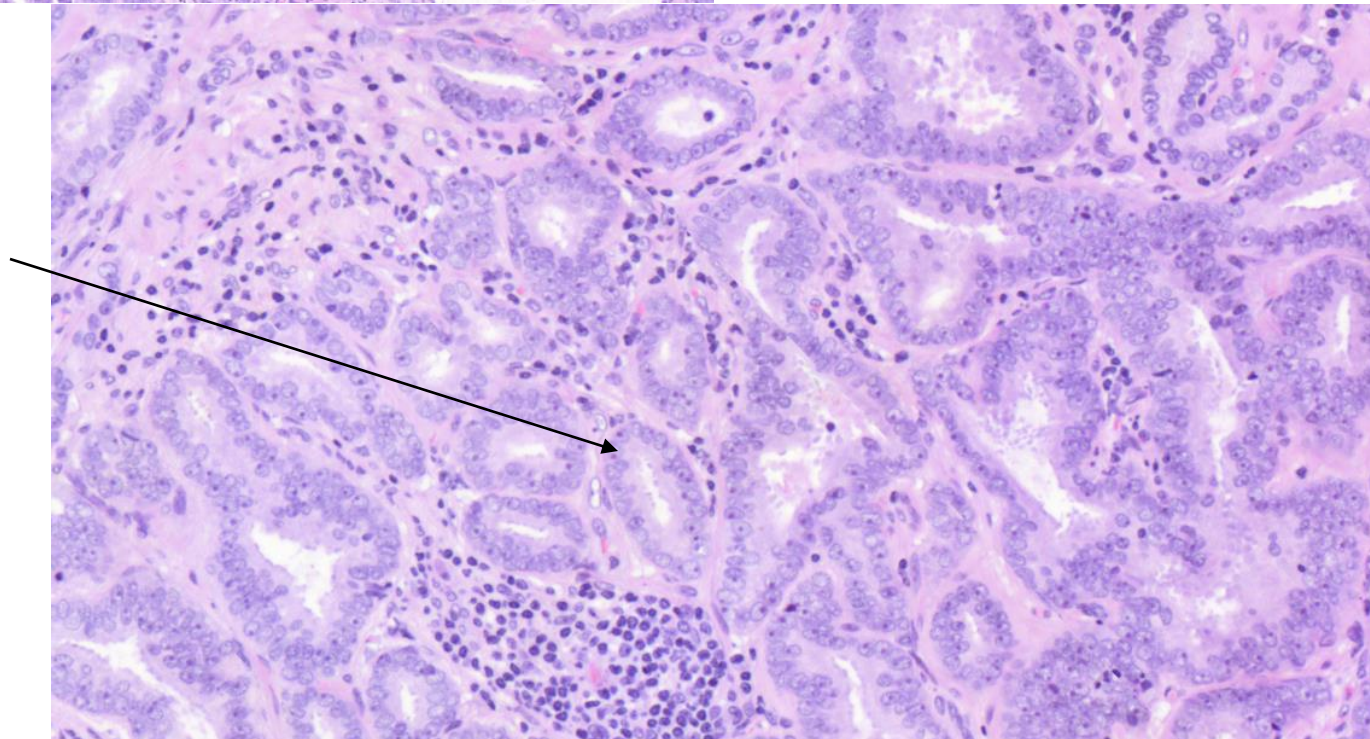






perineural invasion

Glands with small  
lumina  
Tumor cells contain  
prominent nucleolus  
NO basal cell layer



# Testicular tumors

- Germ cell tumors
- Sex cord – gonadal stroma tumors  
(Sertoli / Leydig cell tumors)
- Other (gonadoblastoma, adenocarcinoma, hemangioma, testicular lymphoma)



# Testicular tumors

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- 95% malignant germ cell tumor, 60% mixed tumor
- 5% sex cord-gonadal stroma tumor (mostly benign, hormone secreting)
- Symptoms: slowly growing, painless mass, gynecomastia, early onset puberty
- Diagnosis: serum markers (AFP,  $\beta$ -HCG), UH
- Risk factors: cryptorchism, intersex disorders (testicular feminisation, Klienefelter syndrome), early onset puberty

# WHO classification of tumours of the testis

<b>Germ cell tumours derived from germ cell neoplasia in situ</b>	
<i>Non-invasive germ cell neoplasia</i>	
Germ cell neoplasia in situ	9064/2
<i>Specific forms of intratubular germ cell neoplasia</i>	
<i>Tumours of a single histological type (pure forms)</i>	
Seminoma	9061/3
Seminoma with syncytiotrophoblast cells	
<i>Non-seminomatous germ cell tumours</i>	
Embryonal carcinoma	9070/3
Yolk sac tumour, postpubertal-type	9071/3
<i>Trophoblastic tumours</i>	
Choriocarcinoma	9100/3
<i>Non-choriocarcinomatous trophoblastic tumours</i>	
Placental site trophoblastic tumour	9104/1
Epithelioid trophoblastic tumour	9105/3
Cystic trophoblastic tumour	
Teratoma, postpubertal-type	9080/3
Teratoma with somatic-type malignancy	9084/3
<i>Non-seminomatous germ cell tumours of more than one histological type</i>	
Mixed germ cell tumours	9085/3
<i>Germ cell tumours of unknown type</i>	
Regressed germ cell tumours	9080/1
<b>Germ cell tumours unrelated to germ cell neoplasia in situ</b>	
Spermatocytic tumour	9063/3
Teratoma, prepubertal-type	9084/0
<i>Dermoid cyst</i>	
<i>Epidermoid cyst</i>	
<i>Well-differentiated neuroendocrine tumour (monodermal teratoma)</i>	
	8240/3
Mixed teratoma and yolk sac tumour, prepubertal-type	9085/3
Yolk sac tumour, prepubertal-type	9071/3

## Sex cord–stromal tumours

<i>Pure tumours</i>	
Leydig cell tumour	8650/1
Malignant Leydig cell tumour	8650/3
Sertoli cell tumour	8640/1
Malignant Sertoli cell tumour	8640/3
Large cell calcifying Sertoli cell tumour	8642/1
Intratubular large cell hyalinizing Sertoli cell neoplasia	8643/1*

<i>Granulosa cell tumour</i>	
Adult granulosa cell tumour	8620/1
Juvenile granulosa cell tumour	8622/1*
Tumours in the fibroma–thecoma group	8600/0
<i>Mixed and unclassified sex cord–stromal tumours</i>	
Mixed sex cord–stromal tumour	8592/1
Unclassified sex cord–stromal tumour	8591/1
<b>Tumour containing both germ cell and sex cord–stromal elements</b>	
Gonadoblastoma	9073/1

## Miscellaneous tumours of the testis

<i>Ovarian epithelial–type tumours</i>	
Serous cystadenoma	8441/0
Serous tumour of borderline malignancy	8442/1
Serous cystadenocarcinoma	8441/3
Mucinous cystadenoma	8470/0
Mucinous borderline tumour	8472/1
Mucinous cystadenocarcinoma	8470/3
Endometrioid adenocarcinoma	8380/3
Clear cell adenocarcinoma	8310/3
Brenner tumour	9000/0
Juvenile xanthogranuloma	
Haemangioma	9120/0

## Haematolymphoid tumours

Diffuse large B-cell lymphoma	9680/3
Follicular lymphoma, NOS	9690/3
Extranodal NK/T-cell lymphoma, nasal-type	9719/3
Plasmacytoma	9734/3
Myeloid sarcoma	9930/3
Rosai–Dorfman disease	

## Tumours of collecting duct and rete testis

Adenoma	8140/0
Adenocarcinoma	8140/3

The morphology codes are from the International Classification of Diseases for Oncology (ICD-O) [917A]. Behaviour is coded /0 for benign tumours; /1 for unspecified, borderline, or uncertain behaviour; /2 for carcinoma in situ and grade III intraepithelial neoplasia; and /3 for malignant tumours.

The classification is modified from the previous WHO classification (756A), taking into account changes in our understanding of these lesions.

\*New code approved by the IARC/WHO Committee for ICD-O.

# Classification of germ cell tumors

## Germ cell neoplasia associated

- GCNIS (germ cell neoplasia in situ)
- Seminoma
- Non-seminomatosus germ cell tumors
  - Embryonal carcinoma
  - postpubertal yolk sac tumor
  - postpubertal teratoma
  - Teratoma with somatic type malignancy
  - Choriocarcinoma
  - Other trophoblast tumors
- Mixed tumors
- Regrediated tumors of testis

## Non germ cell neoplasia associated

- Spermatocytic seminoma
- Prepubertal teratoma
  - Epidermoid cyst
  - Dermoid cyst
  - Well differentiated neuroendocrine tumor (monodermal teratoma)
- prepubertal yolk sac tumor
- mixed prepubertal teratoma and yolk sac tumor



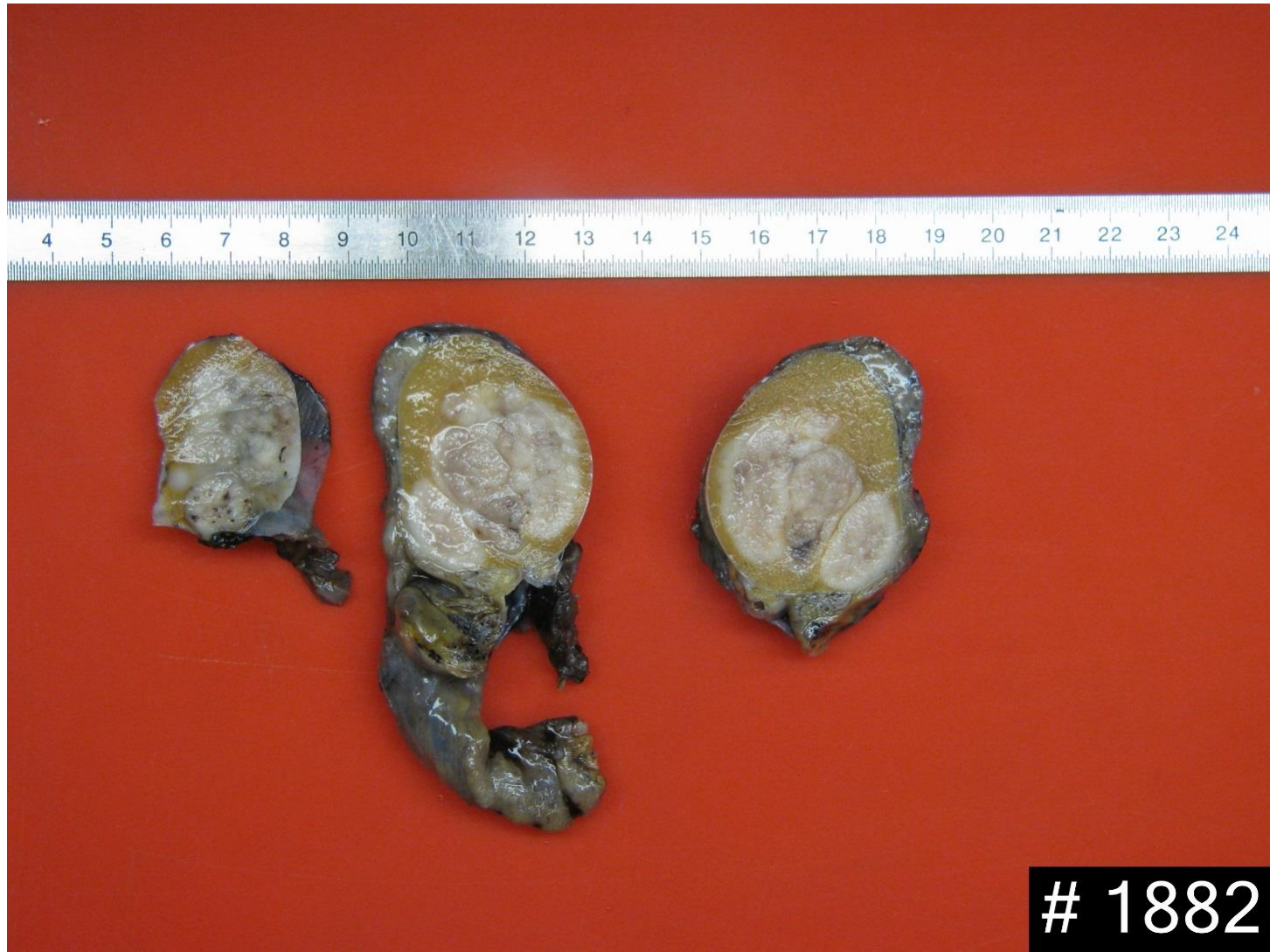
# Germ cell tumors

## incidence and tumor markers

- Seminoma: age 40+ ( in some cases  $\beta$ -hCG, AFP never!)
- Embryonal cc.: age 20-30: AFP (90%)
- Yolk-sac (prepubertal): age 3 AFP (100%)
- Choriocarcinoma: age 20-30:  $\beta$ -hCG (100%)
- Teratoma: AFP,  $\beta$ -hCG
- Mixed tumors: age 15-30: AFP,  $\beta$ -hCG

(LDH: non specific marker; serum level increases due to tissue destruction)

# Seminoma macroscopy



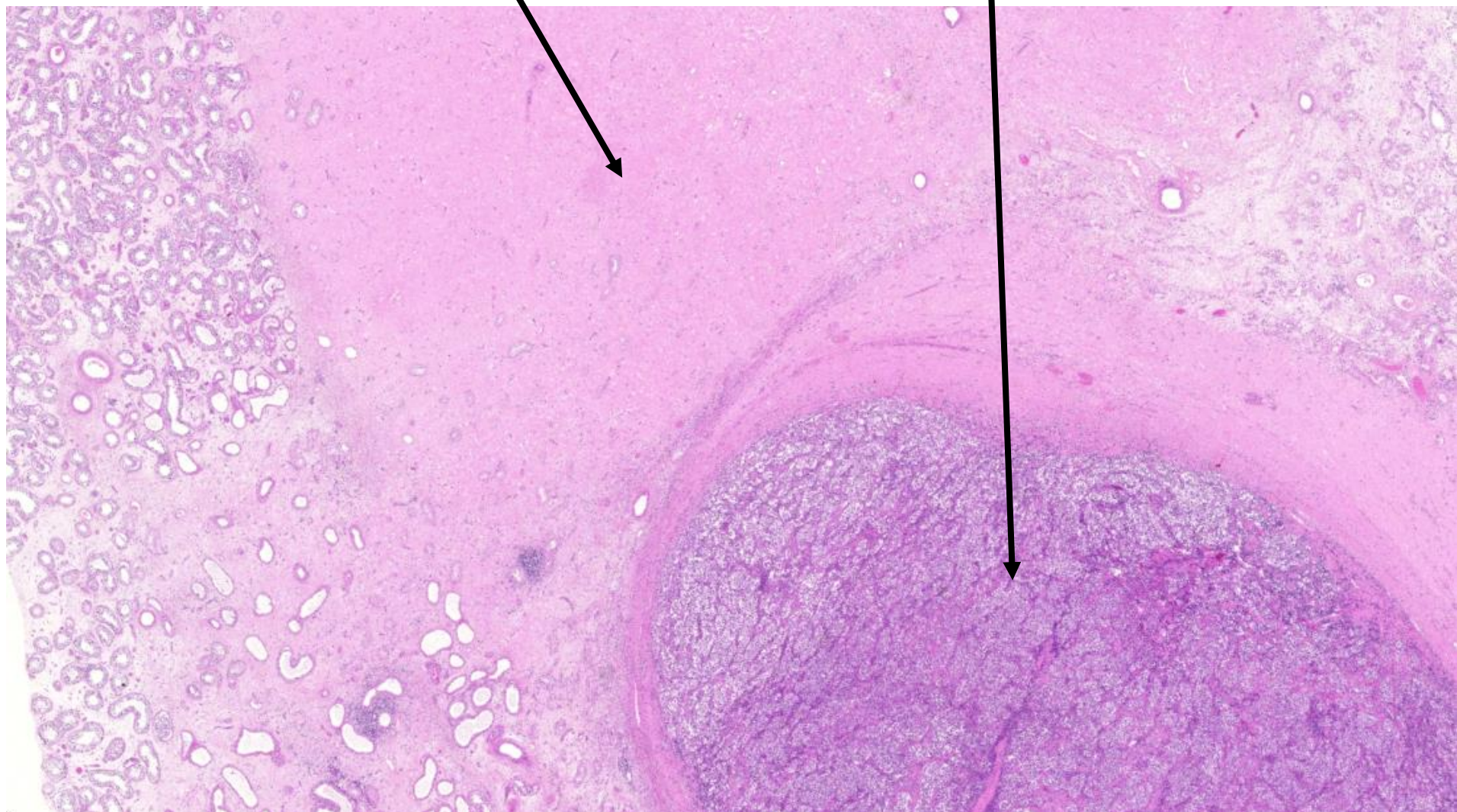
# Seminoma microscopic features

- Large, monomorph cells with distinct cell borders
- Clear, glycogen rich cytoplasm
- Round nuclei, prominent nucleoli
- Fibrotic septi
- Lymphocytic infiltration

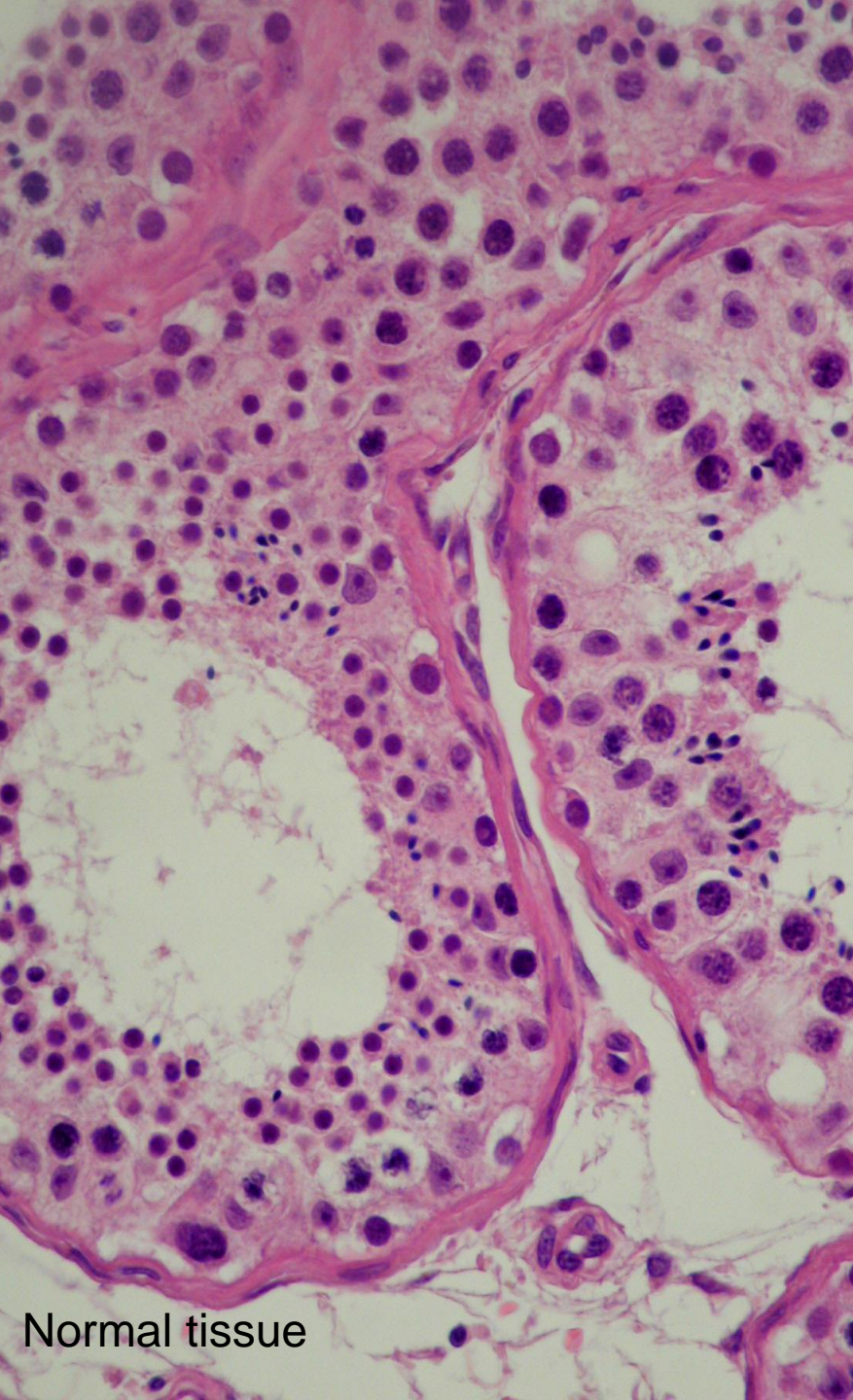


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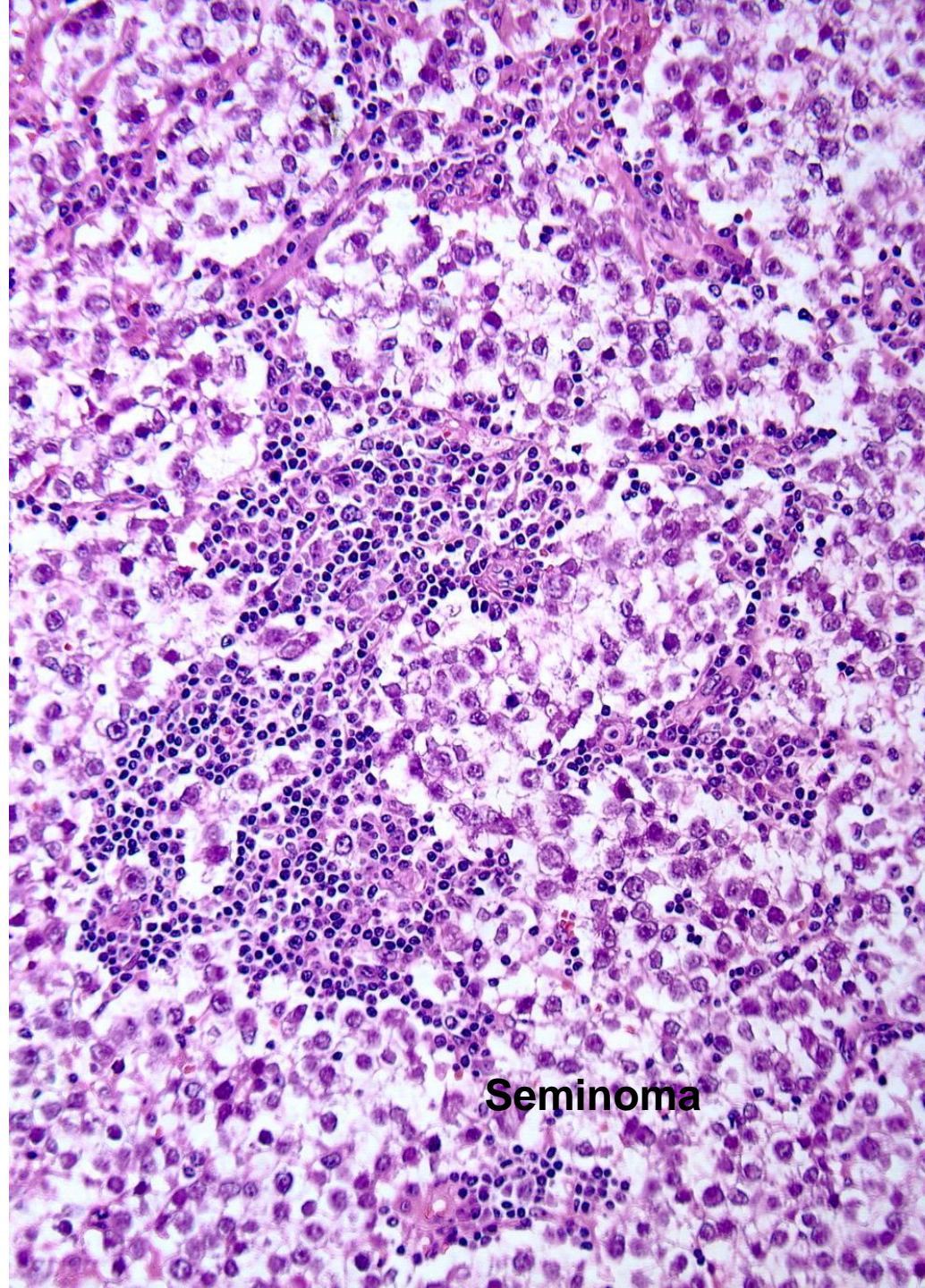
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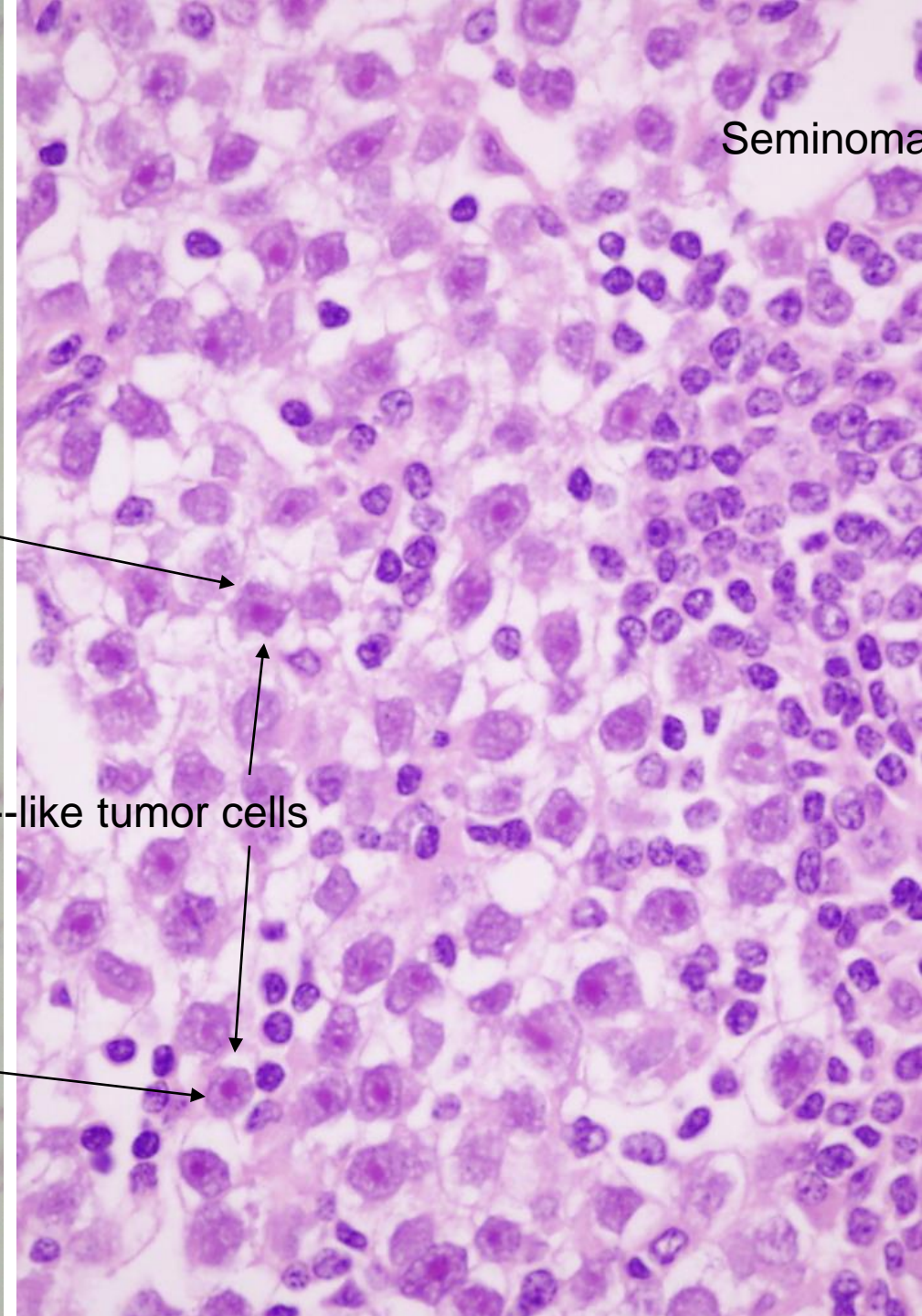


Normal tissue



**Seminoma**





Seminoma

Spermatogonium-----like tumor cells

Normal tissue



# Embryonal Carcinoma

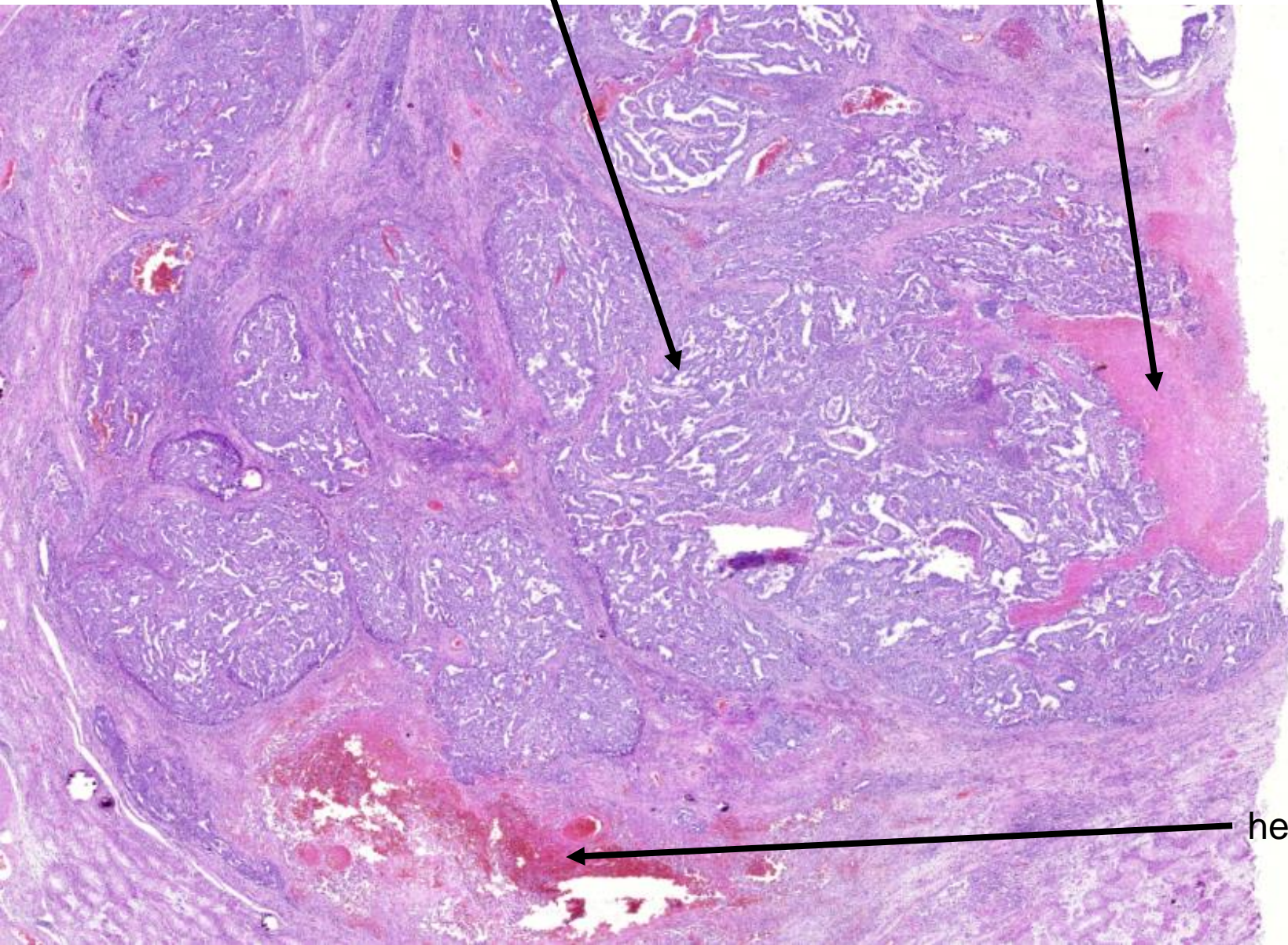
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- more aggressive tumor than seminoma
- usually mixed (85%)
- Therapy: Orchiectomy, Chemotherapy (PVB, BEP, VIP)
- resistant to radiotherapy
- Macroscopy: white gray, necrosis, haemorrhage



embryonal carcinoma

necrosis



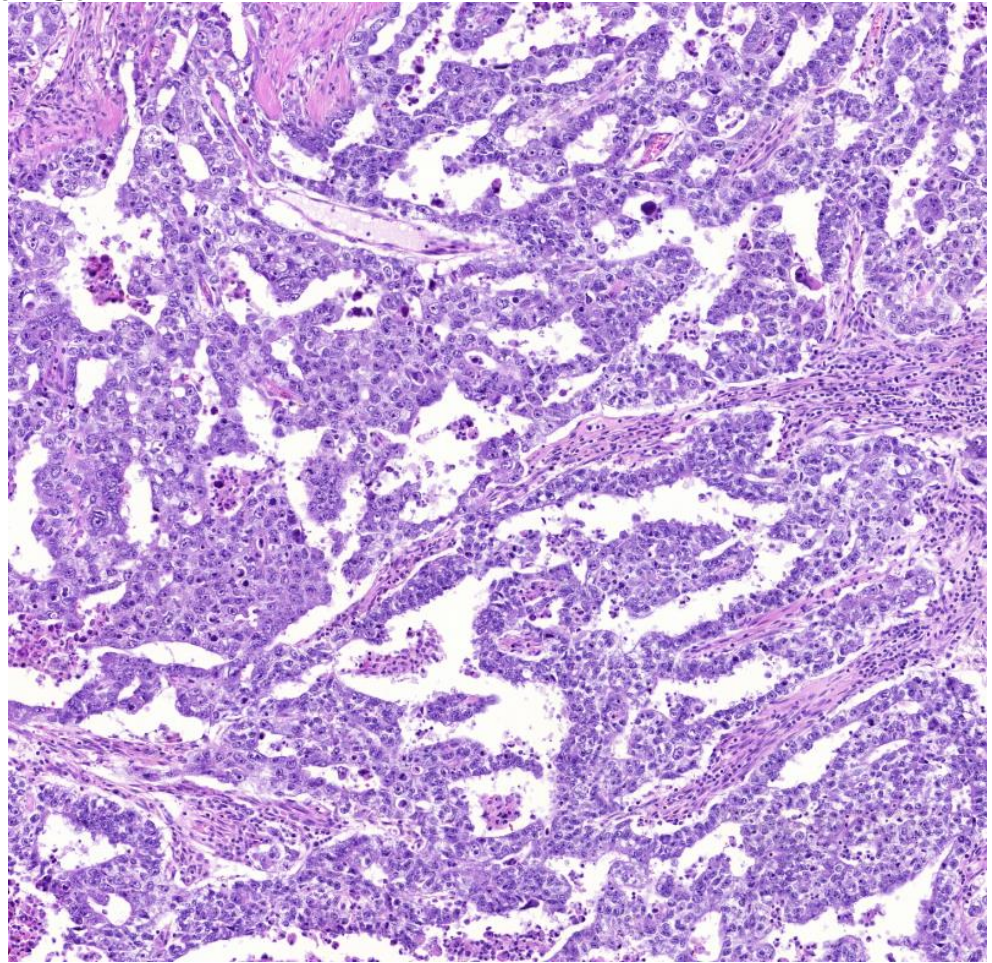
hemorrhage



# Embryonal Carcinoma

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- solid, pseudoglandular, papillary, alveolar areas
- primitive epithelial tumor cells, indistinct cell borders
- definitive nuclear polymorphism
- prominent nucleoli
- mitotic figures are frequently seen
- fibrotic septi are absent





# Metastasis spreading

- Lymphatic spread
  - Retroperitoneal lymphnodes →  
supradiaphragmatic lymphnodes
  - (((((((Inguinal lymphnodes are only effected exceptionally))))))
    - After inguinal hernia surgery, orchidopexia
    - Tumor infiltrates tunica albuginea
- Hematogenous spread
  - Lungs, less often: liver and brain
  - Choriocarcinoma!