

DISEASE OF THE ORAL CAVITY AND ESOPHAGUS

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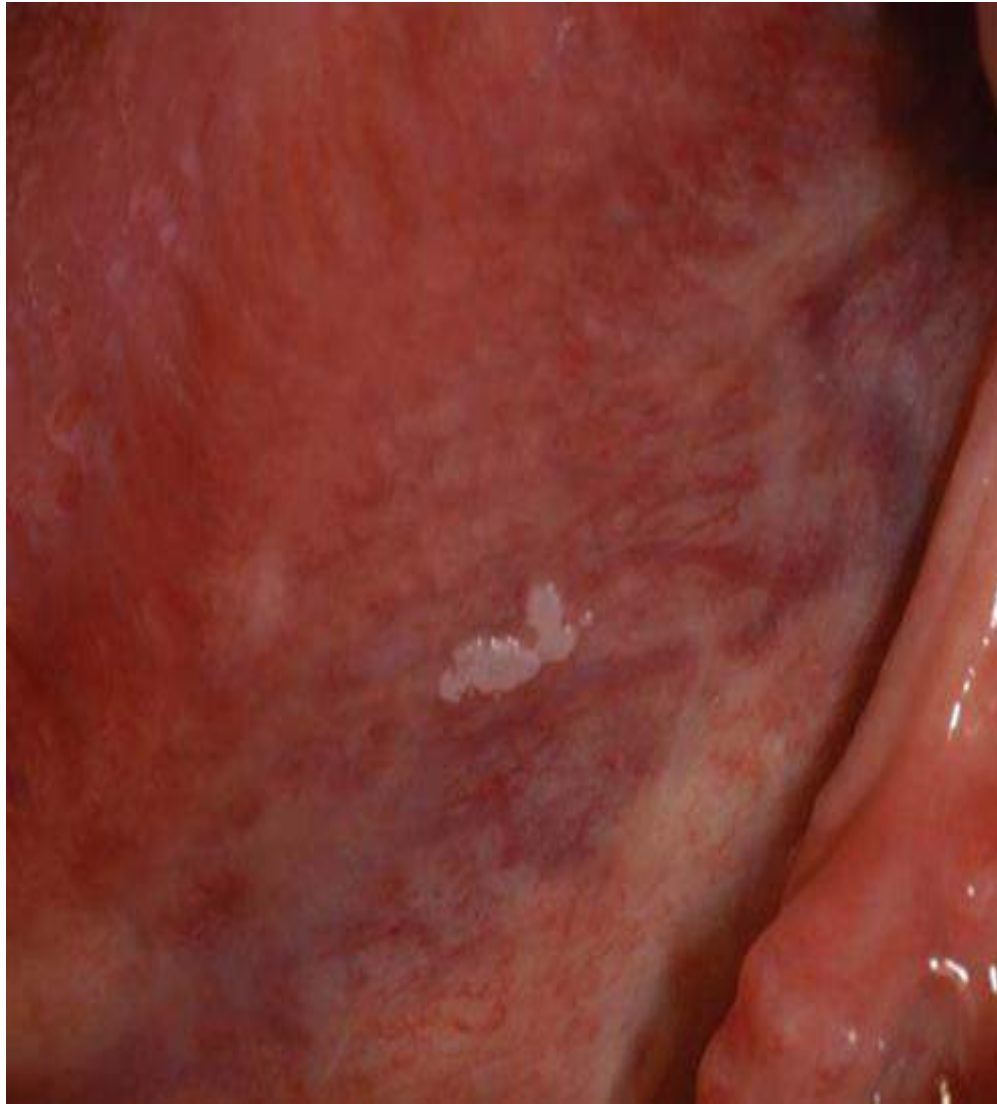
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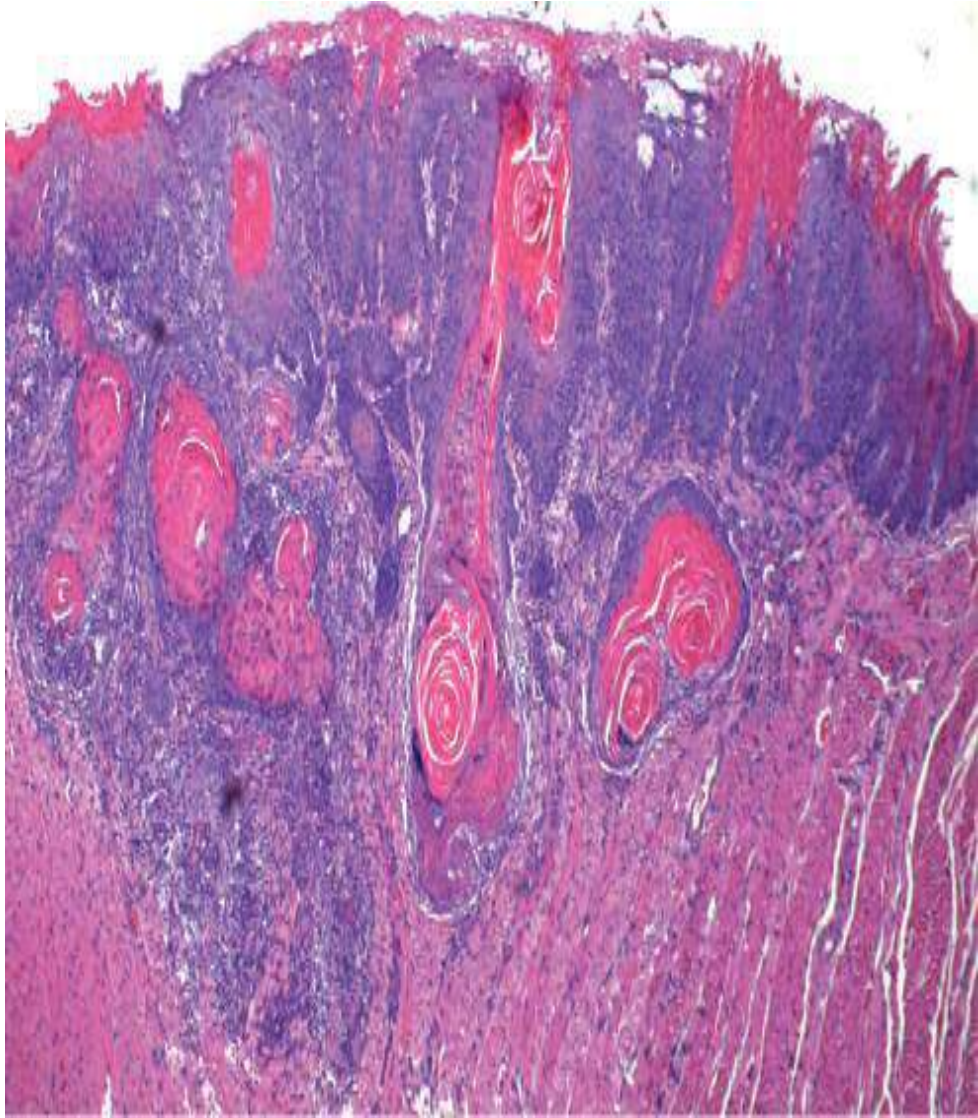
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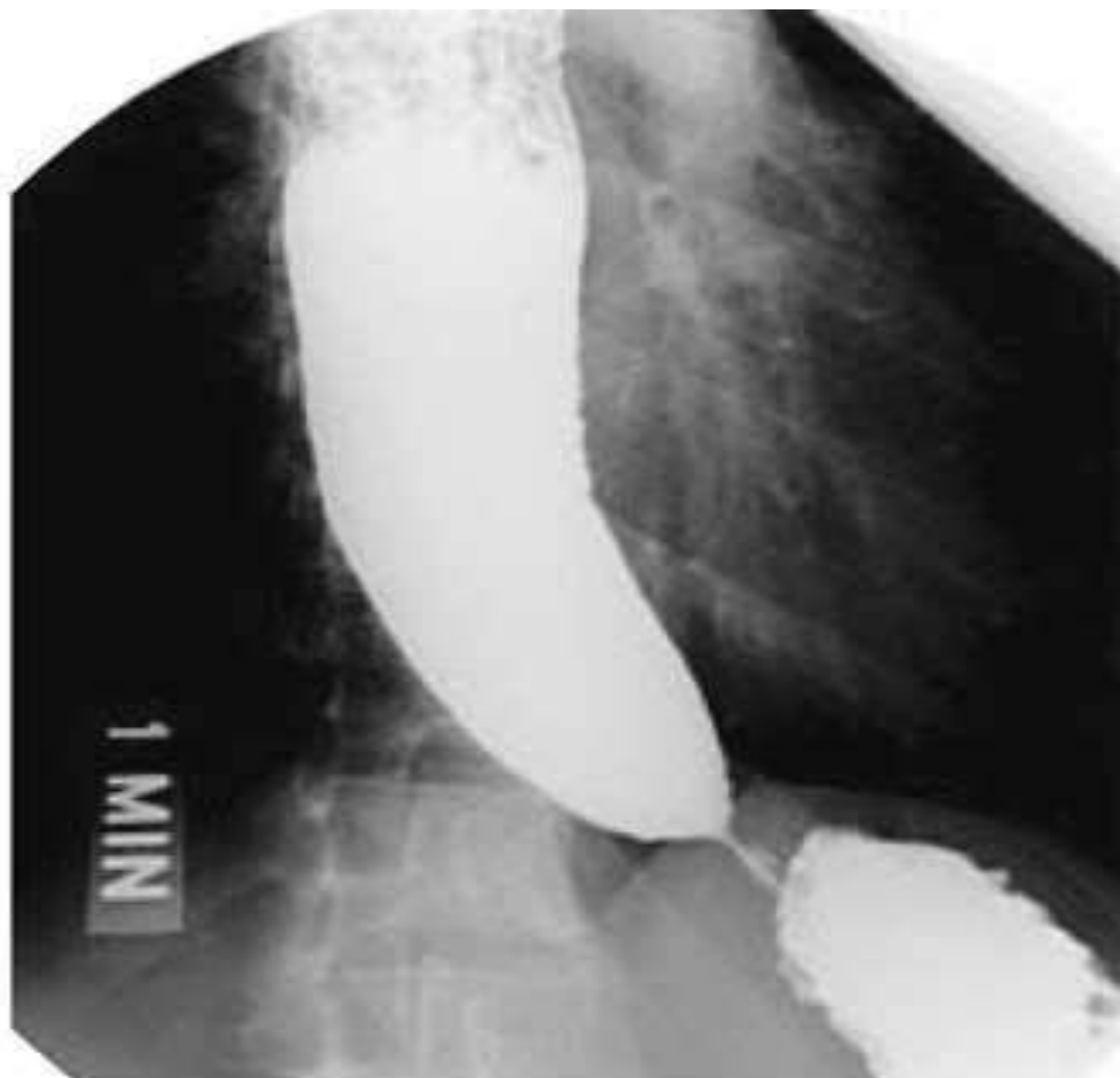
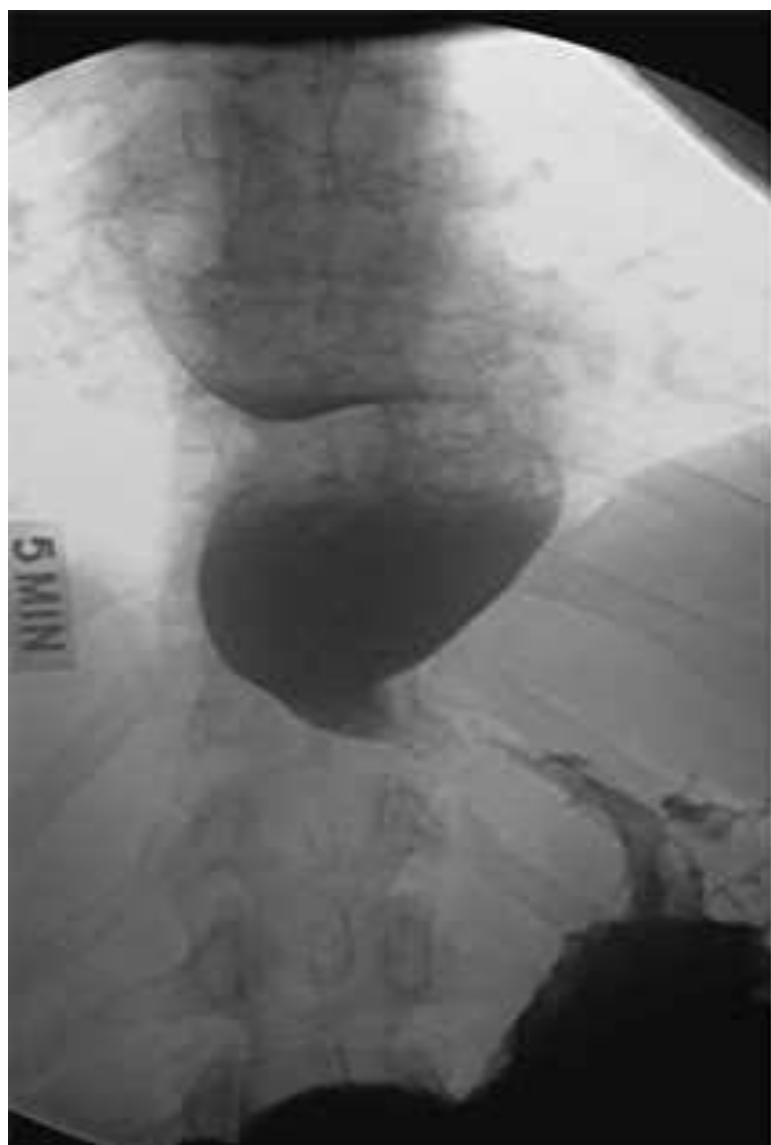
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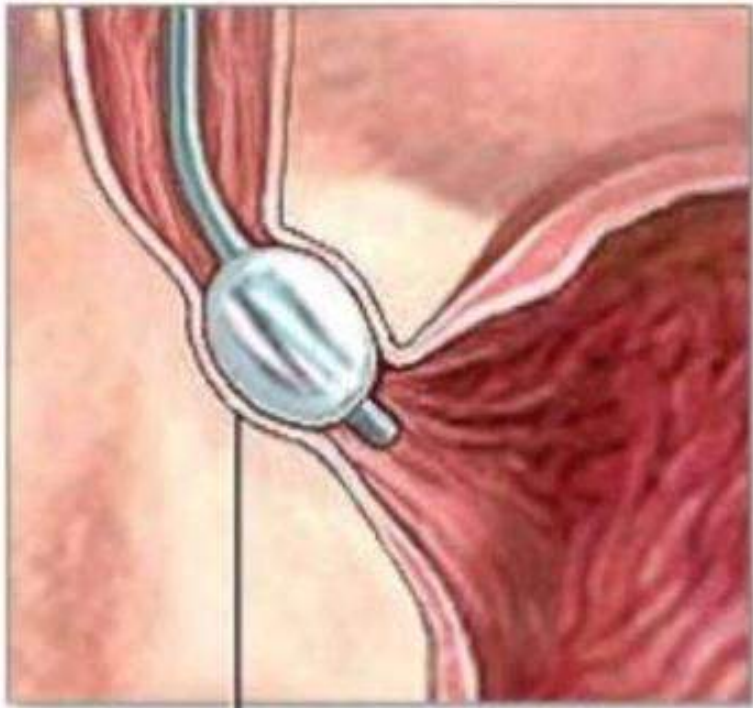




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Pneumatic balloon dilatation of the LES

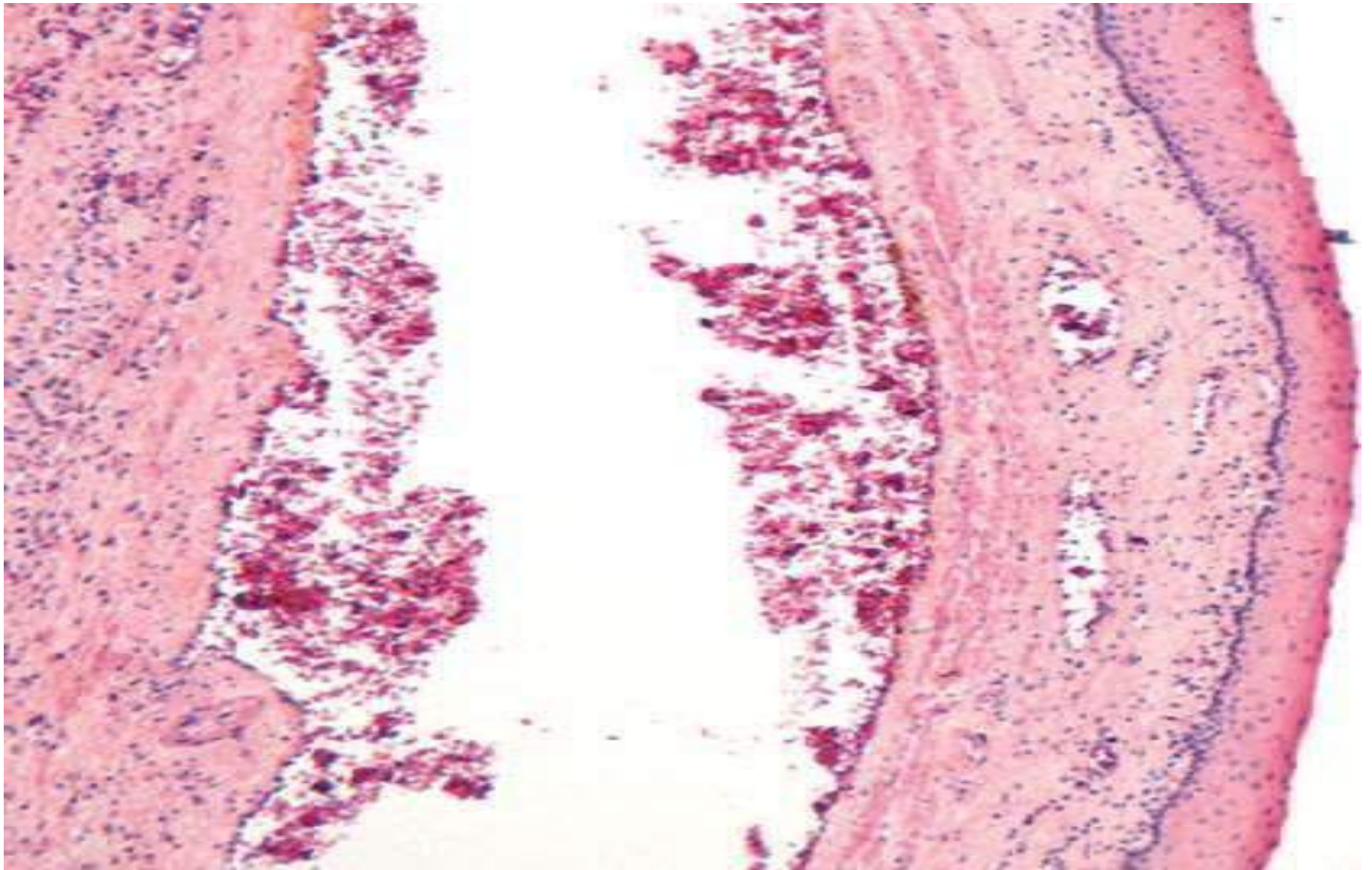


- Lower esophageal
sphincter





Dilated varices beneath intact squamous mucosa

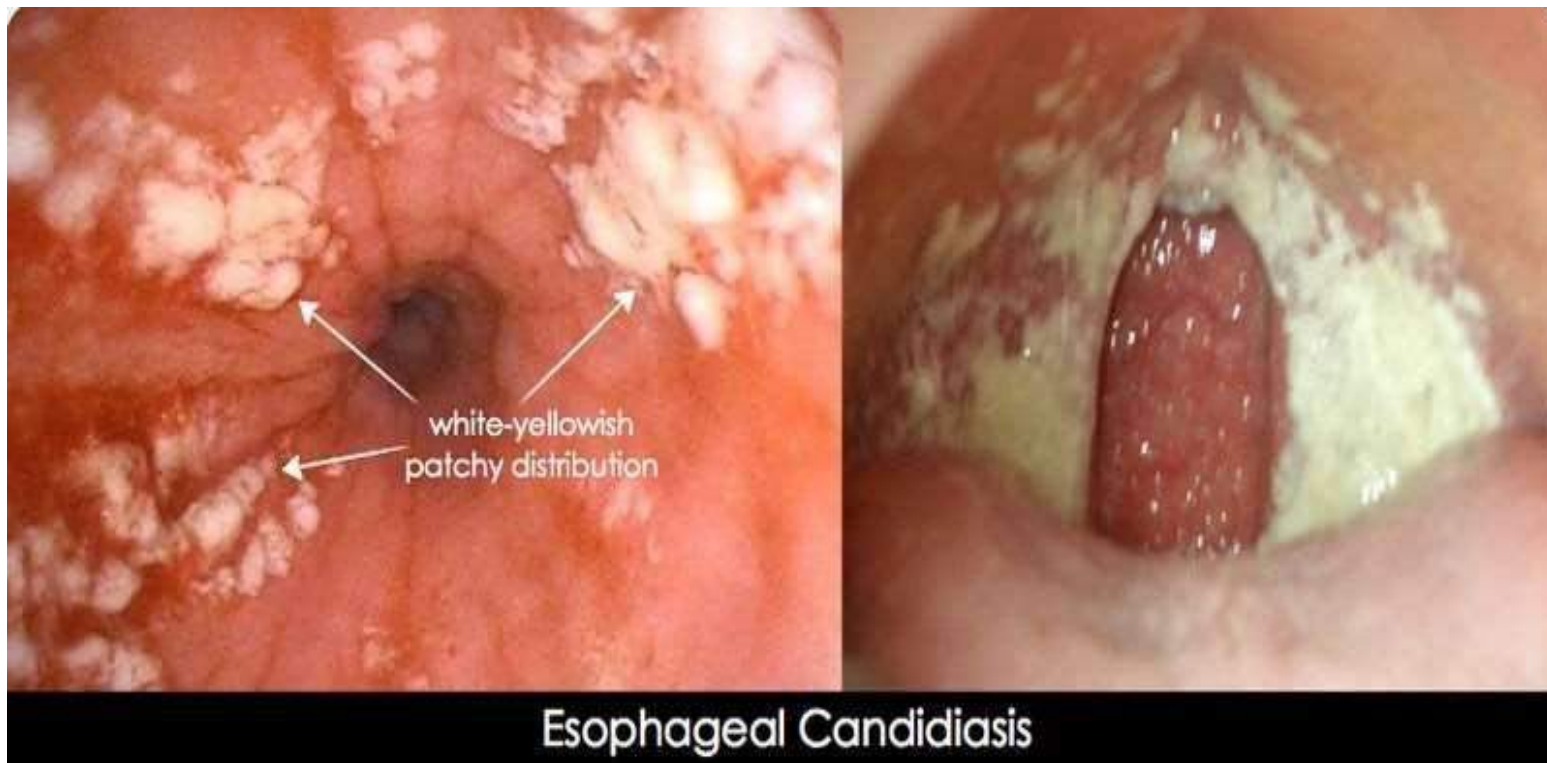


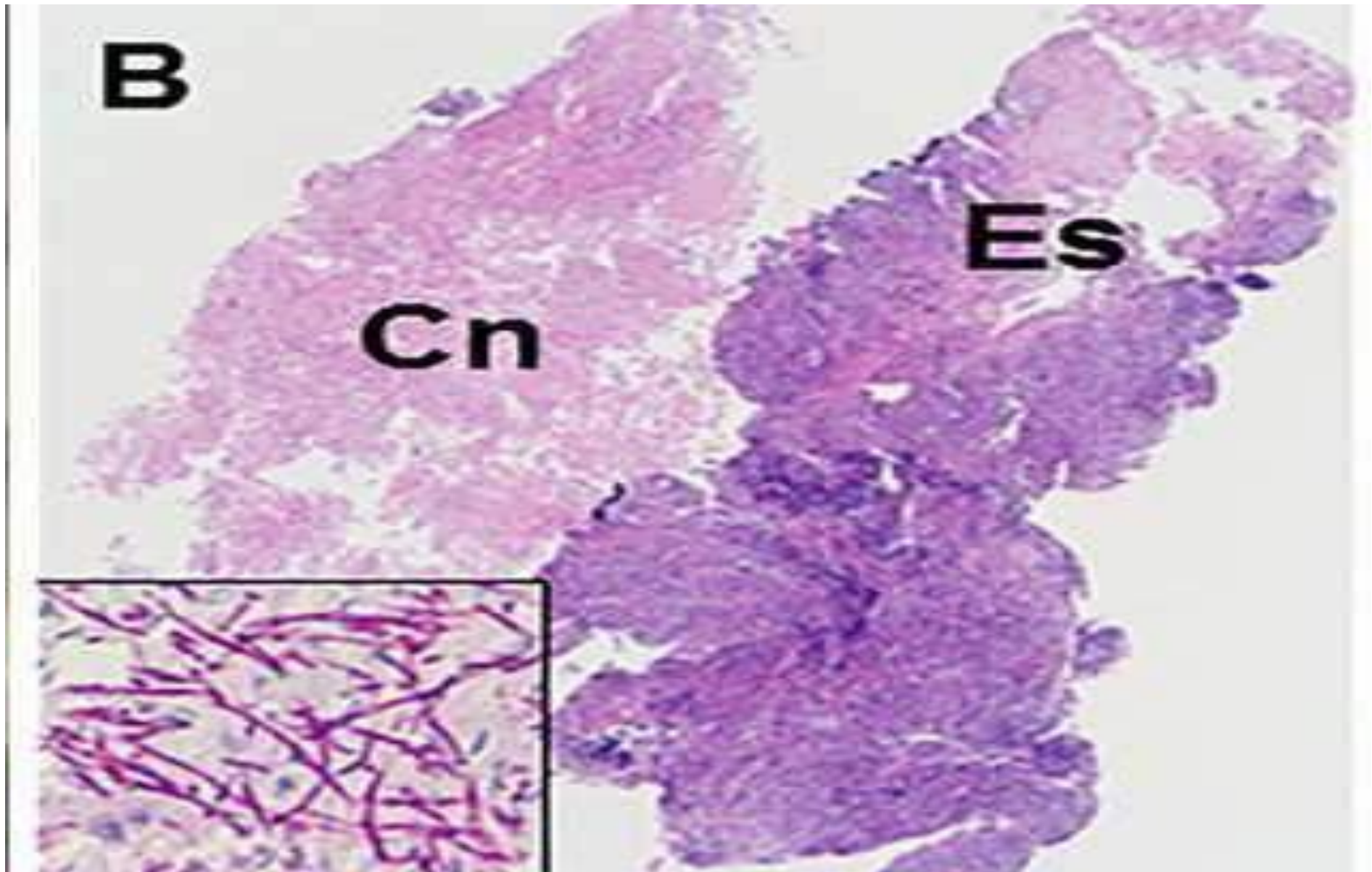
▮ Candidiasis :

▮ Adherent.

▮ Gray-white pseudomembranes

▮ Composed of matted fungal hyphae and inflammatory cells

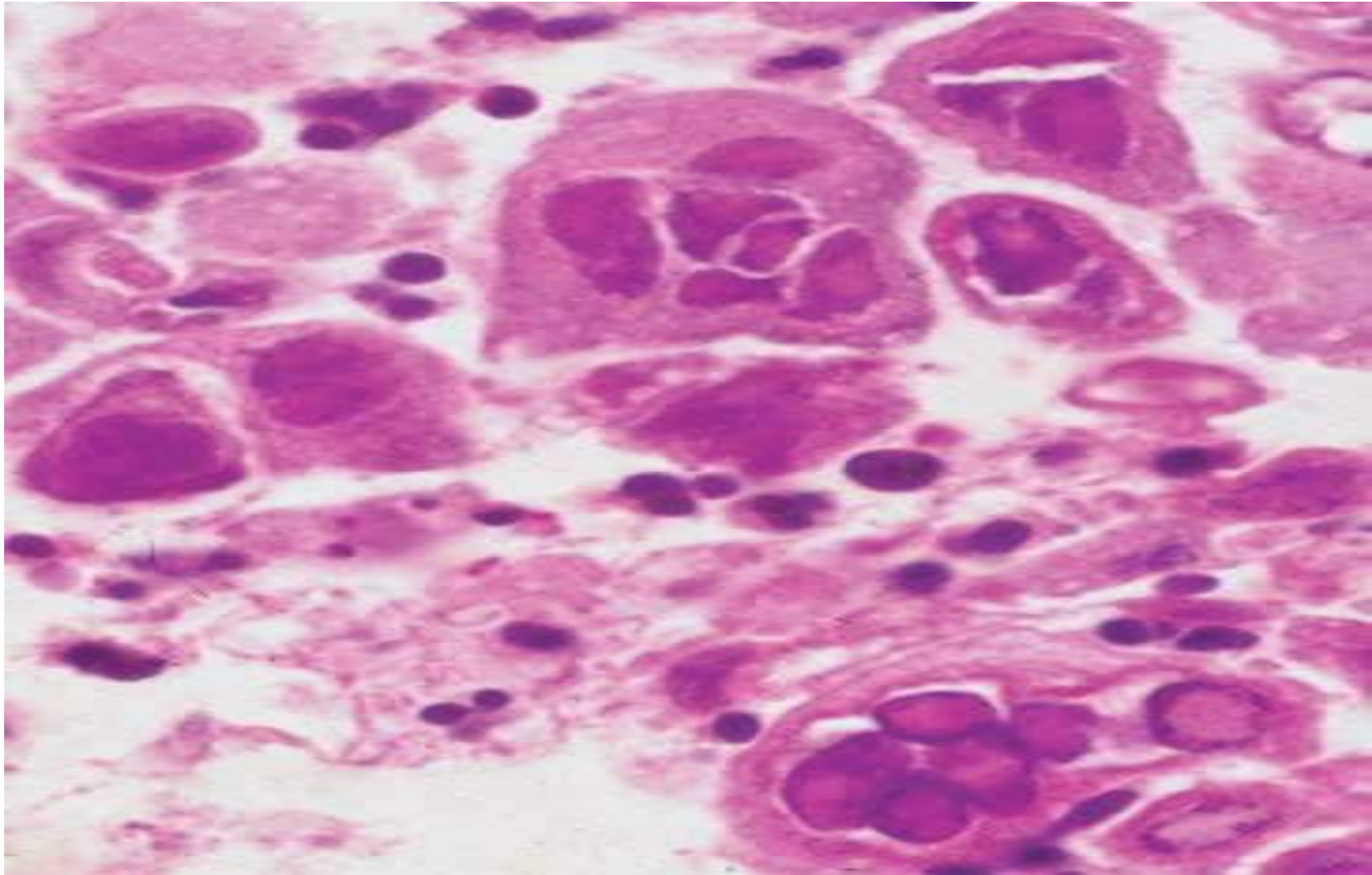




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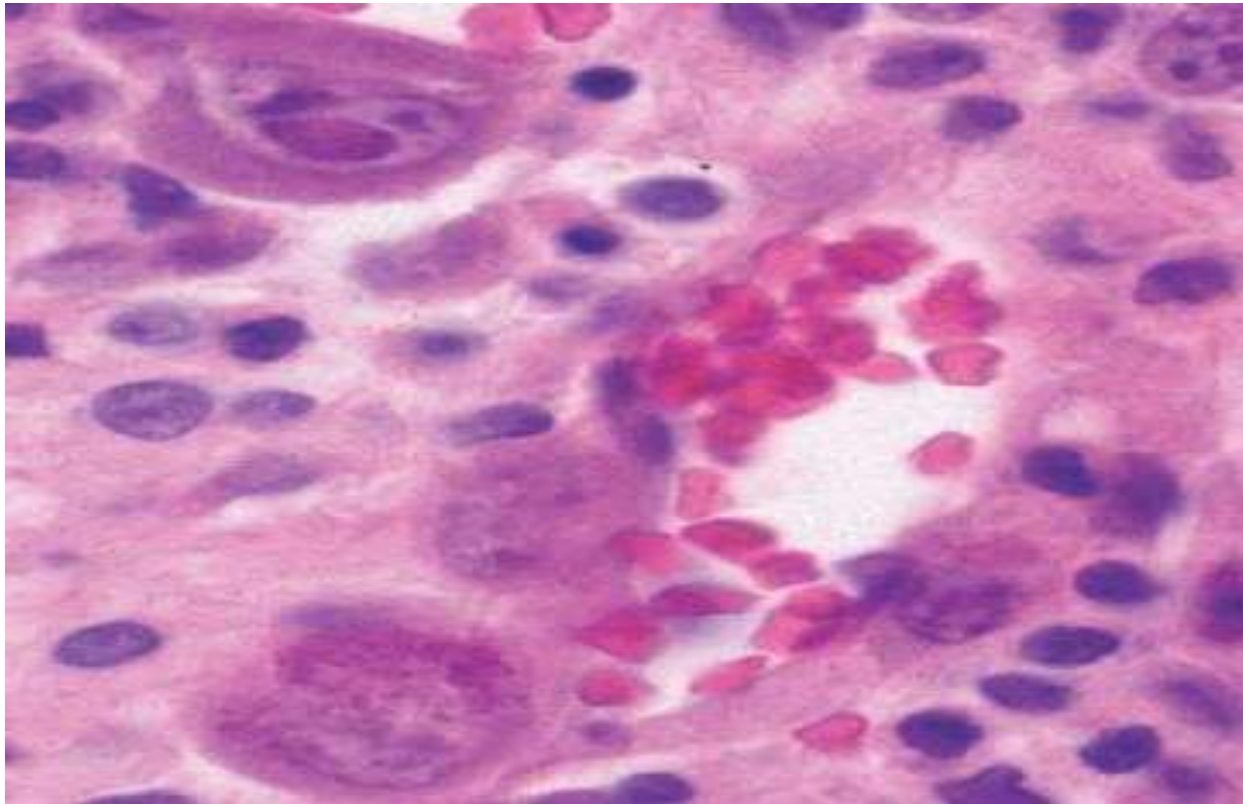
- ▮ Herpes viruses
- ▮ Punched-out ulcers
- ▮ Histopathologic:
- ▮ Nuclear viral inclusions
- ▮ Degenerating epithelial cells ulcer edge
- ▮ Multinucleated epithelial cells.

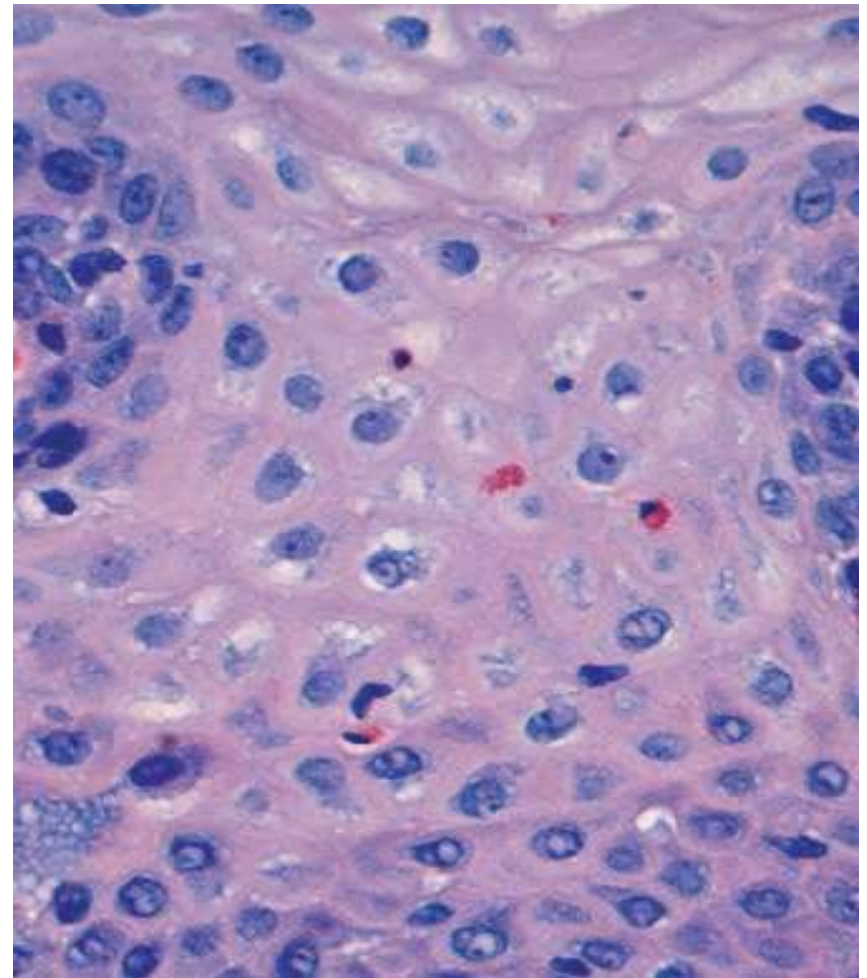
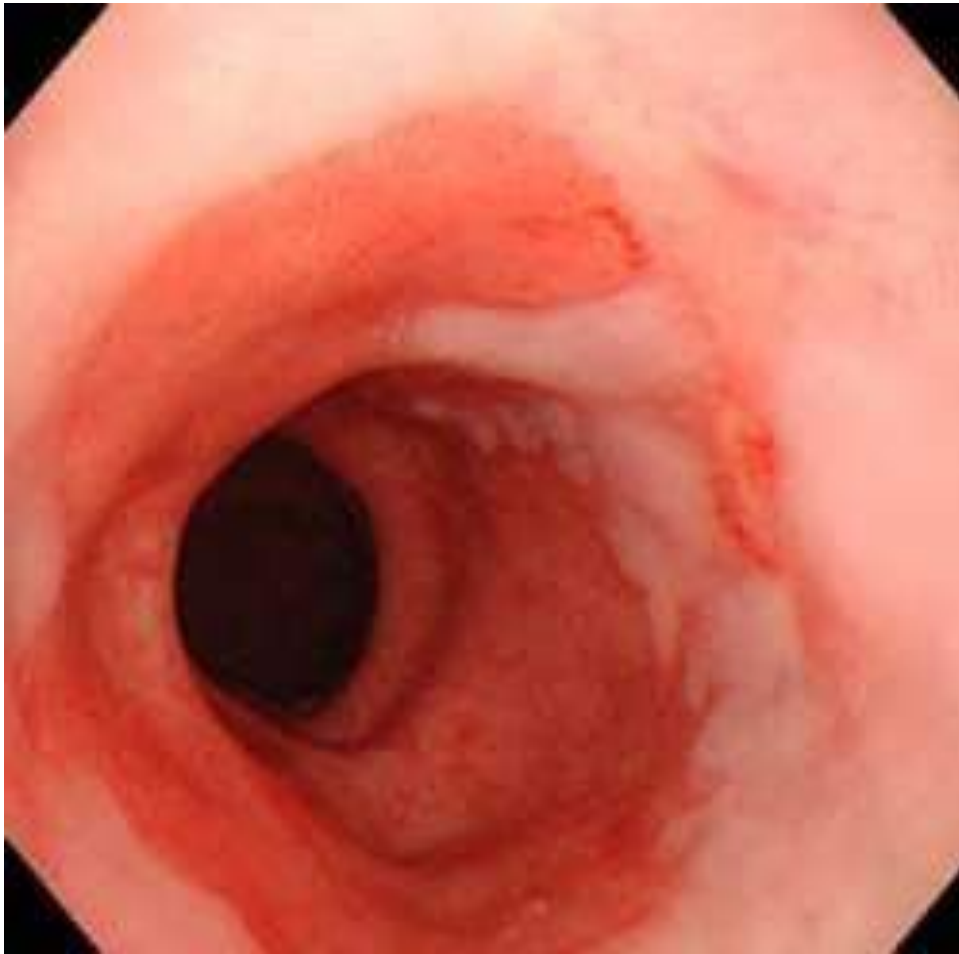




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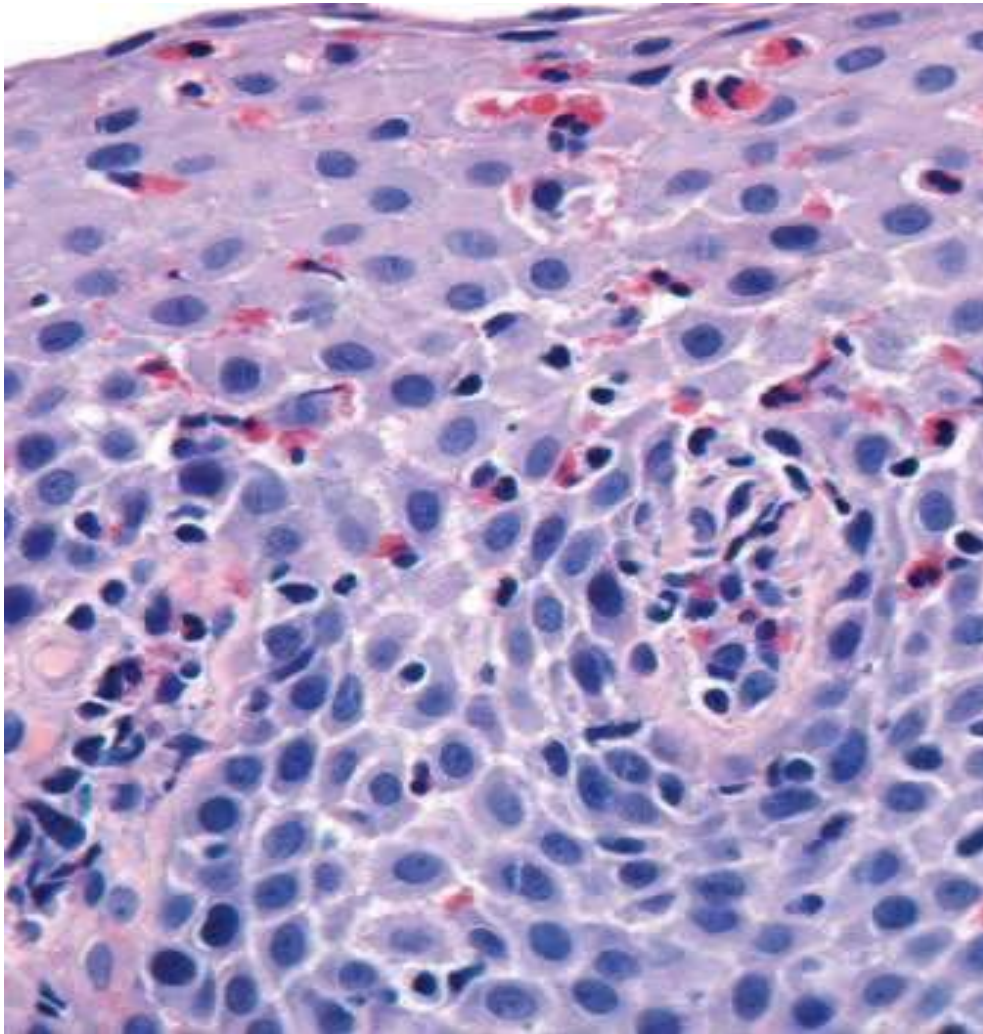
- ▮ **CMV :**
- ▮ Shallower ulcerations.
- ▮ Biopsy: nuclear and cytoplasmic inclusions in capillary endothelium and stromal cells





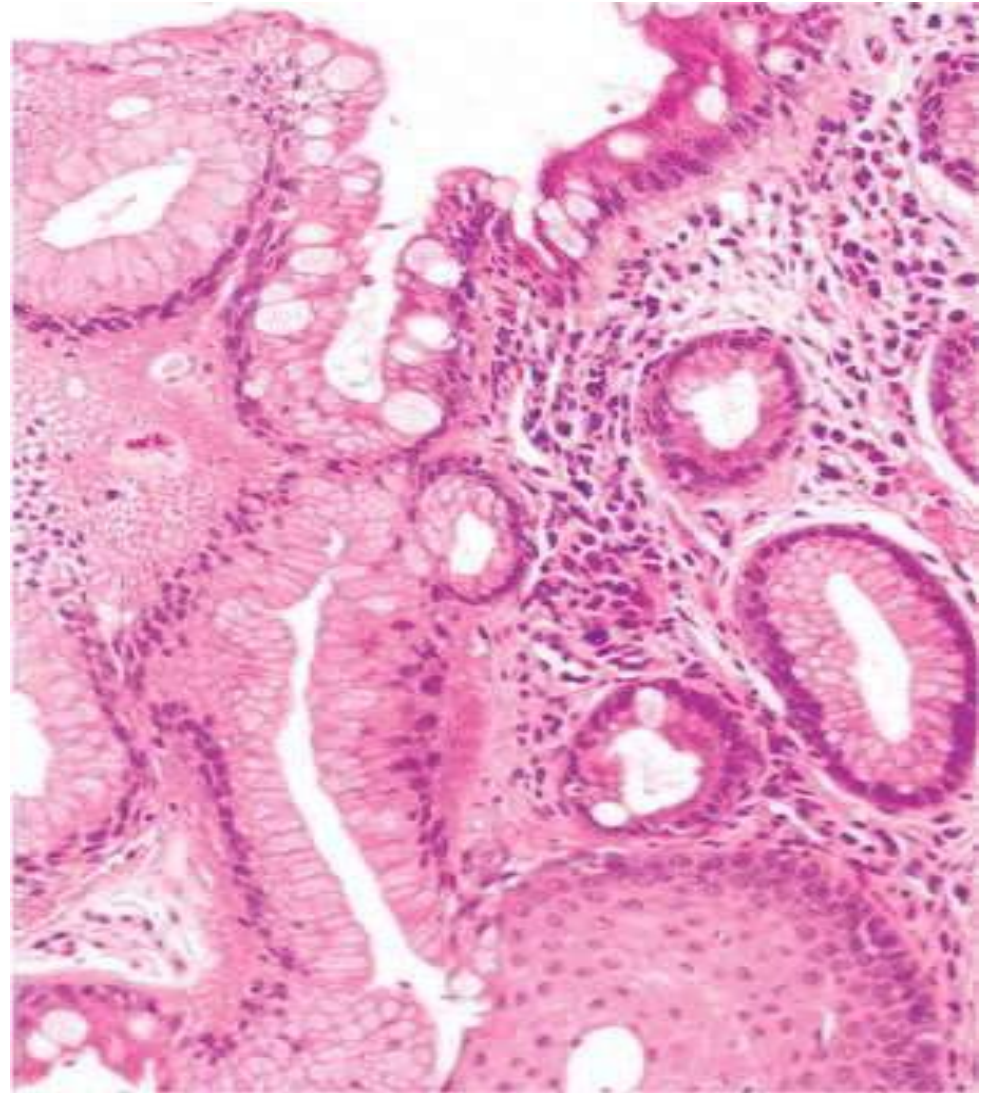
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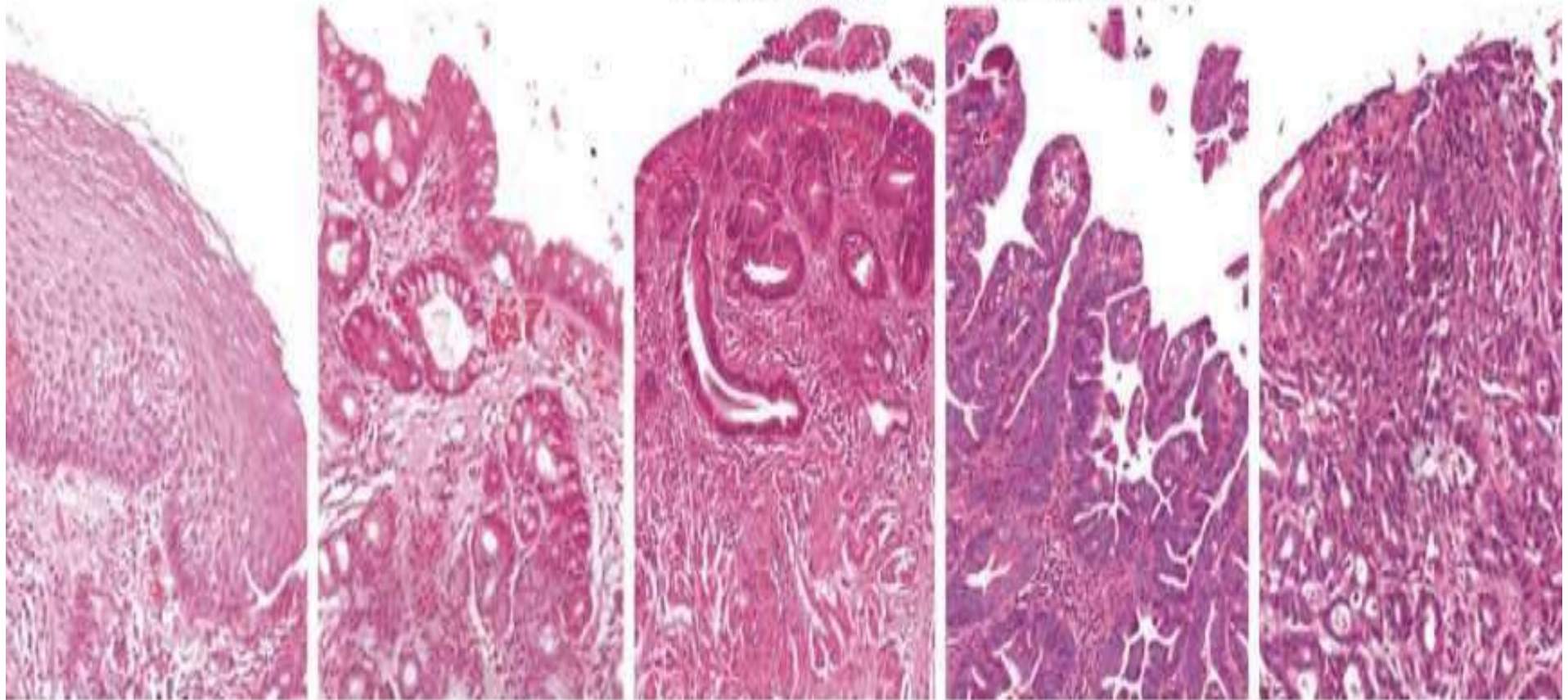
Normal squamous

Barrett's oesophagus

Barrett's oesophagus with
low-grade dysplasia

Barrett's oesophagus with
high-grade dysplasia

Adenocarcinoma



Population screening

Predicting prognosis, best therapy and response

Predicting risk of progression and response to preventive therapy

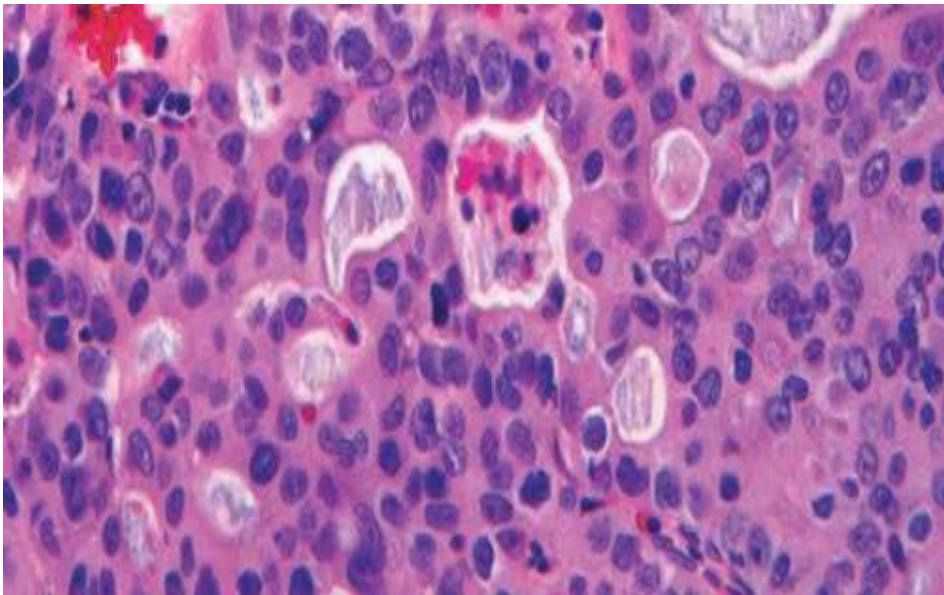
Morphology

Distal third.

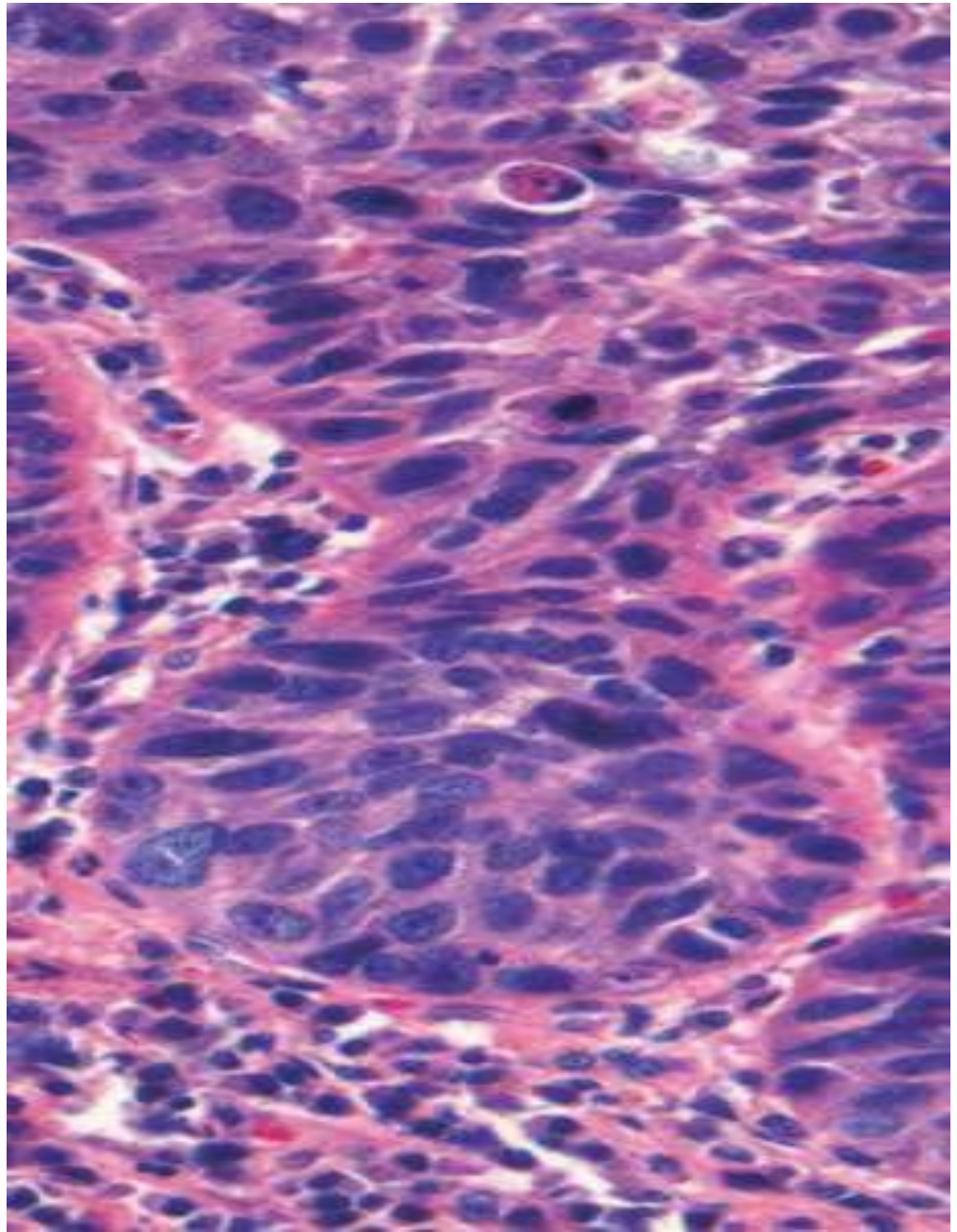
Early: flat or raised patches

Later: exophytic infiltrative masses

Microscopy: Forms glands and mucin.



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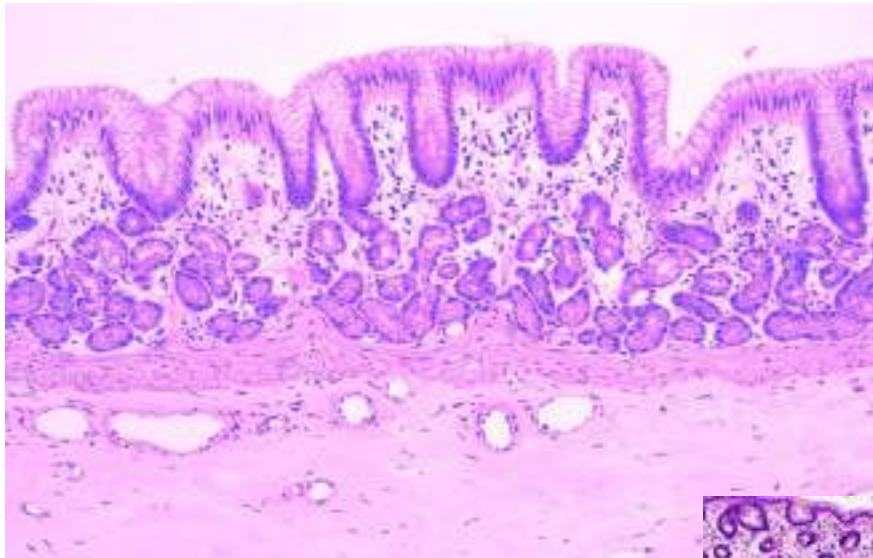
Pathology of the stomach

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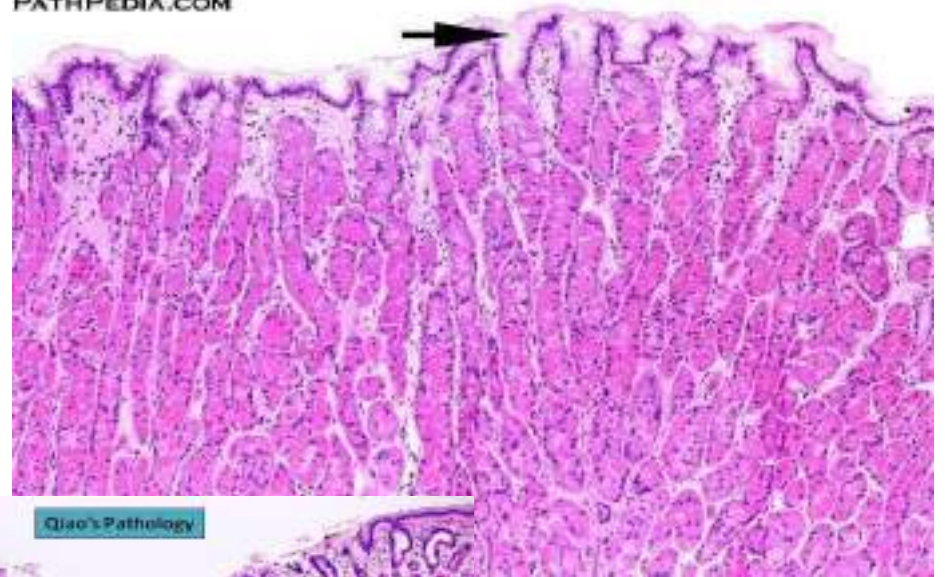
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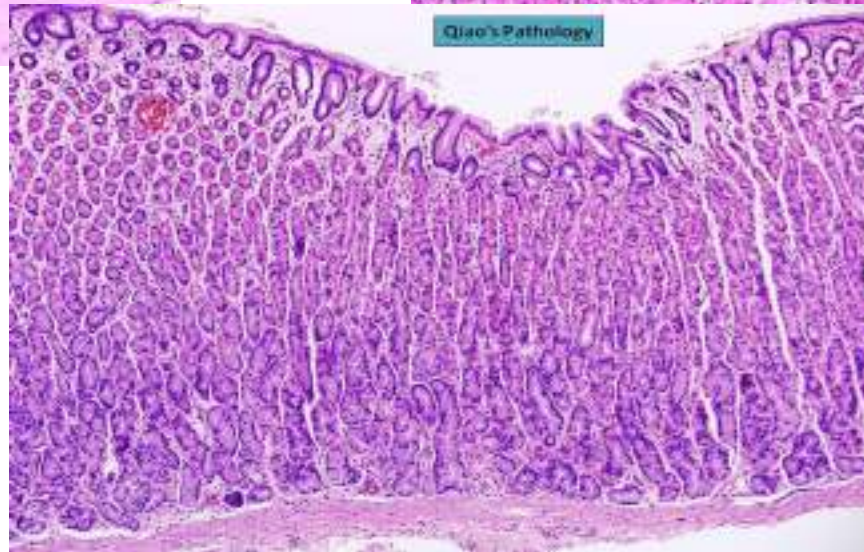


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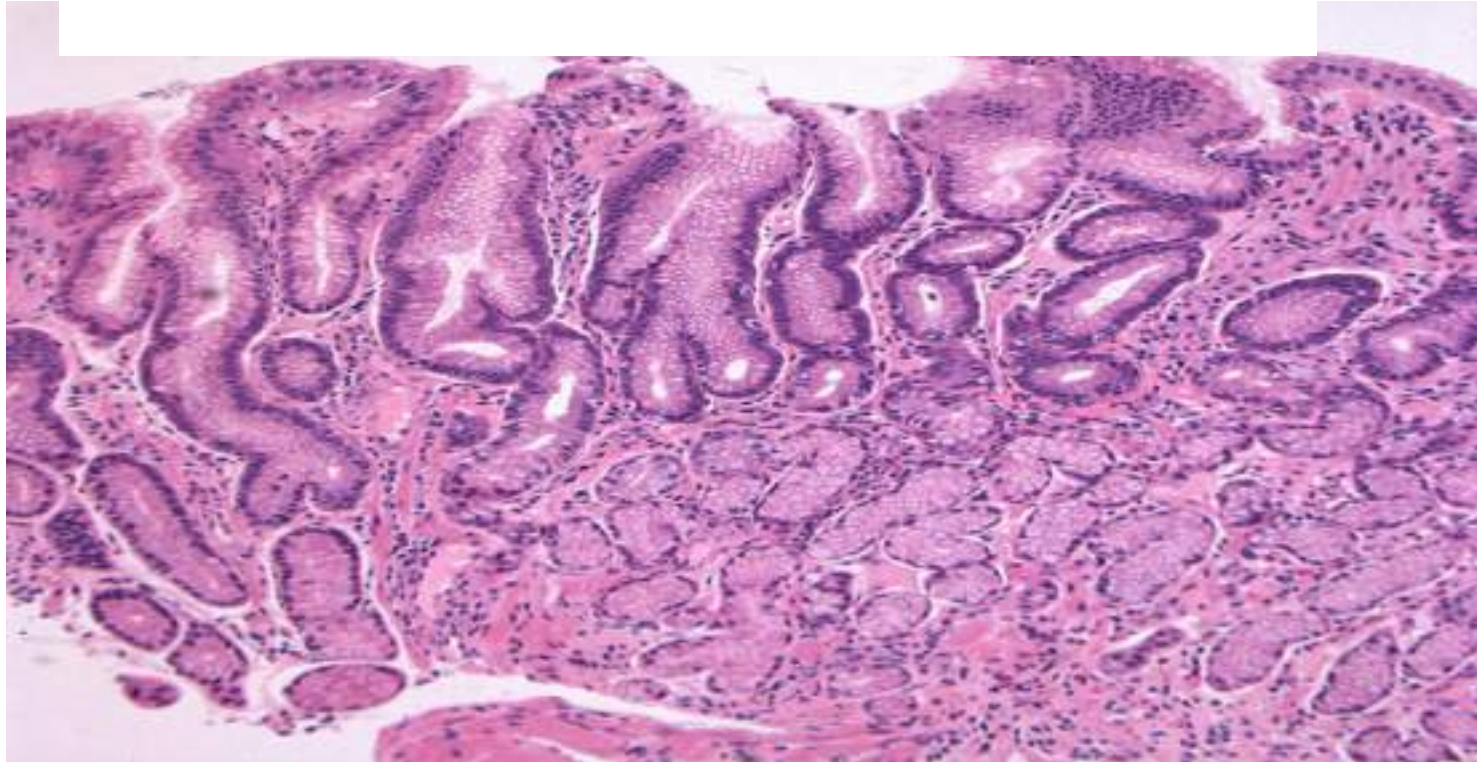
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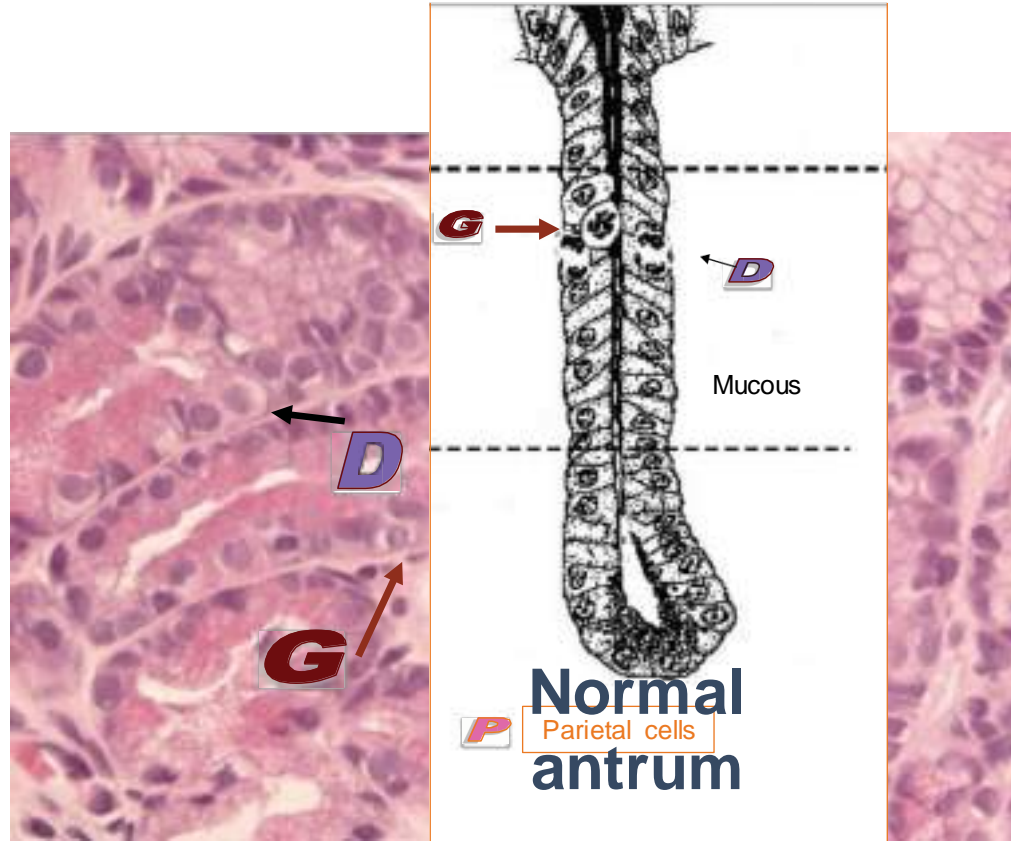
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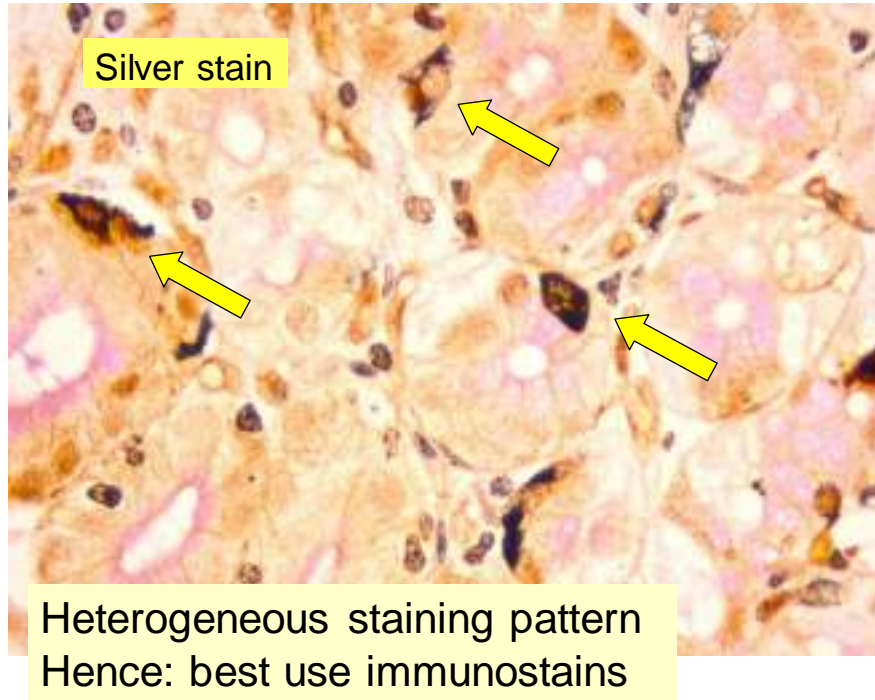
Antrum



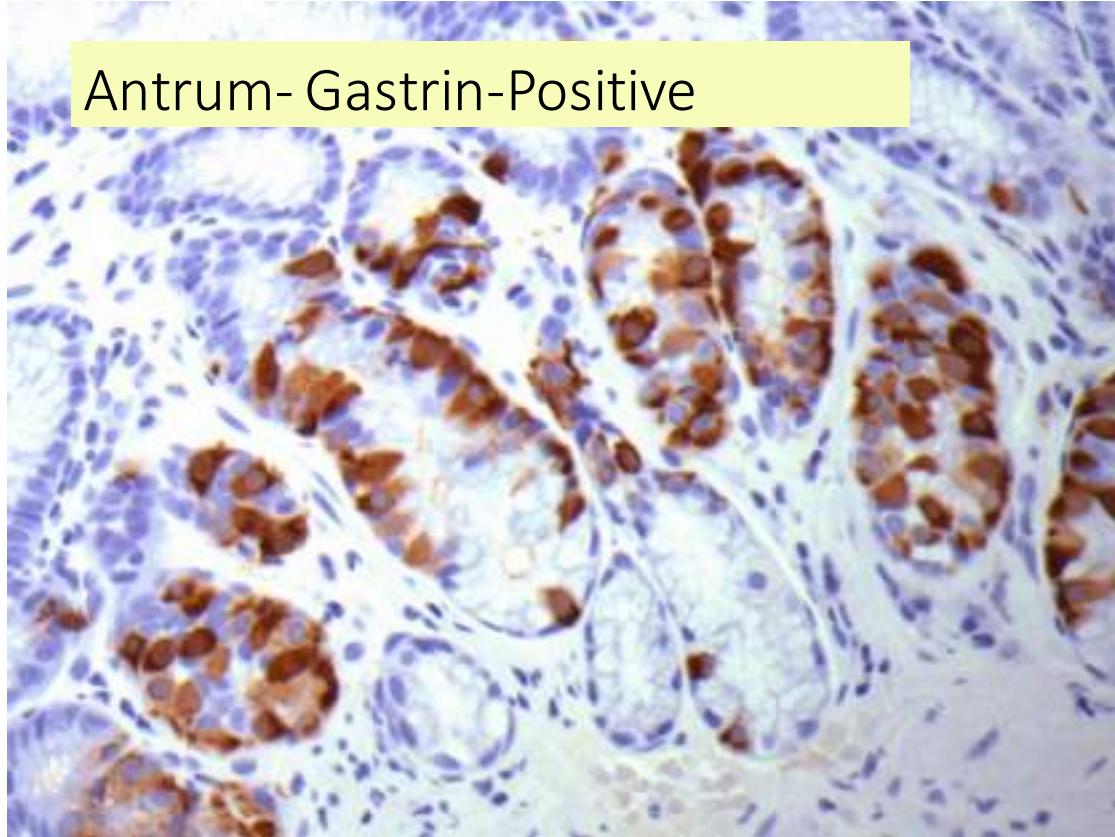
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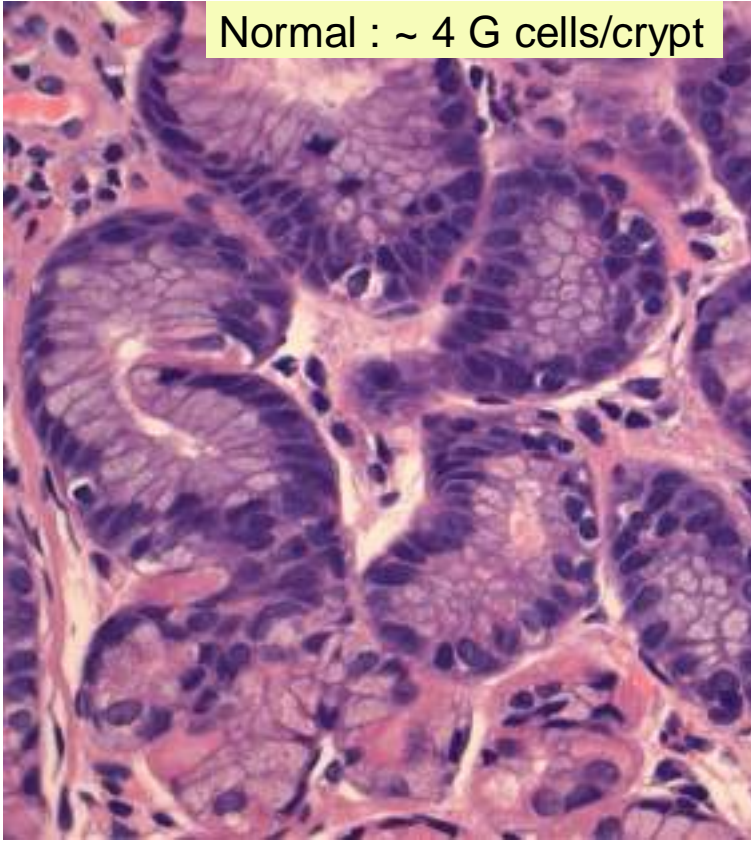
Antrum endocrine cells



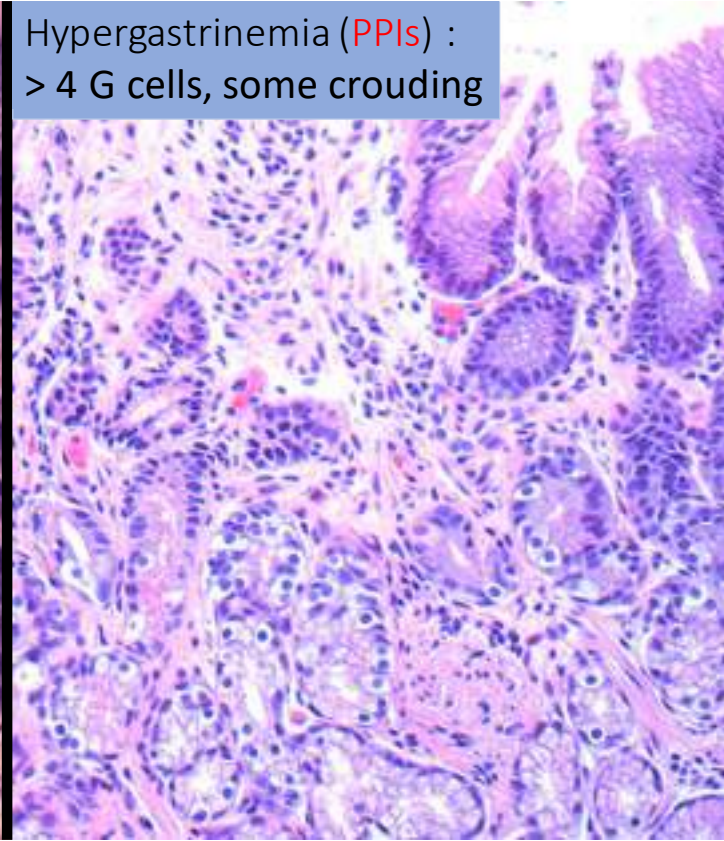
Antrum- Gastrin-Positive



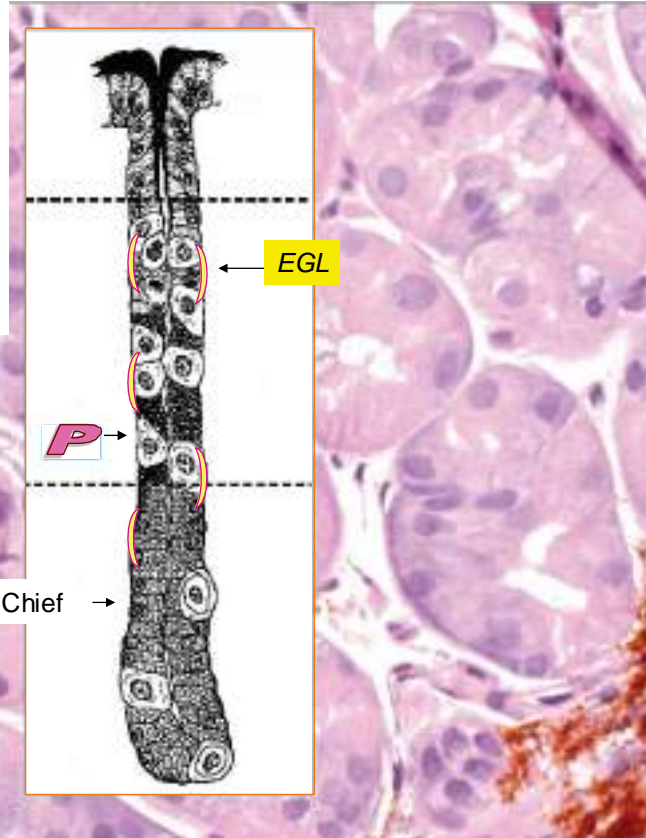
Normal : ~ 4 G cells/crypt



Hypergastrinemia (PPIs) :
> 4 G cells, some crowding



Normal
Corpus
(oxyntic
mucosa)

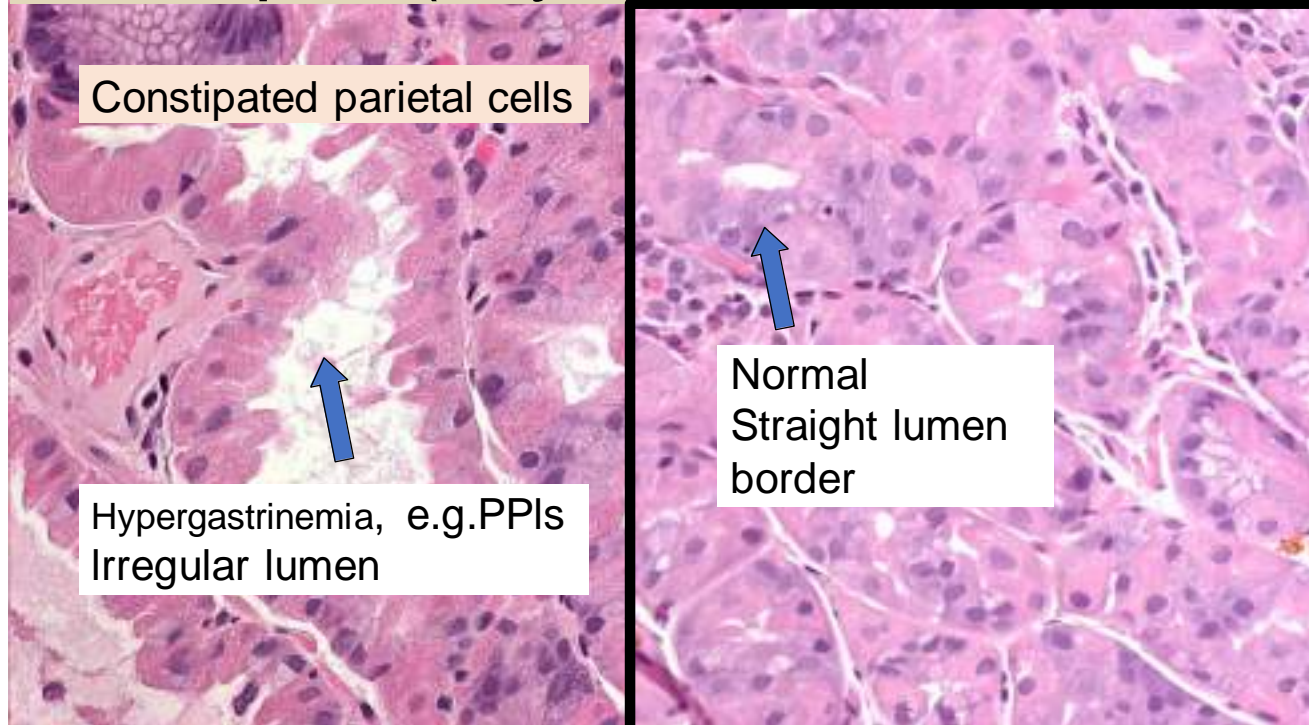


Corpus (oxyntic mucosa)

Constipated parietal cells

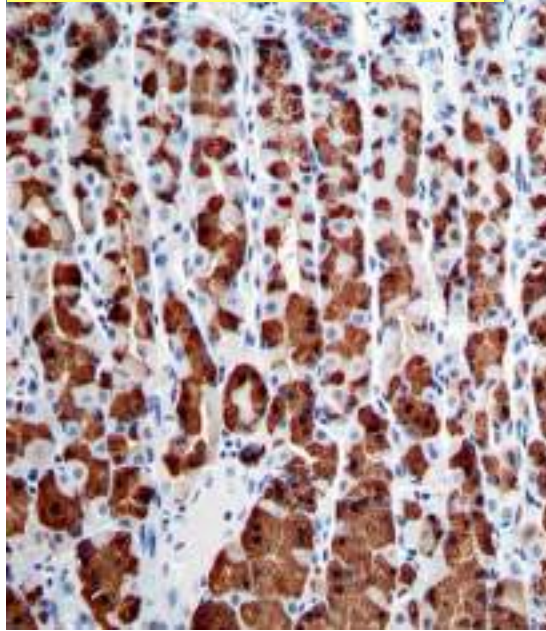
Hypergastrinemia, e.g. PPIs
Irregular lumen

Normal
Straight lumen
border



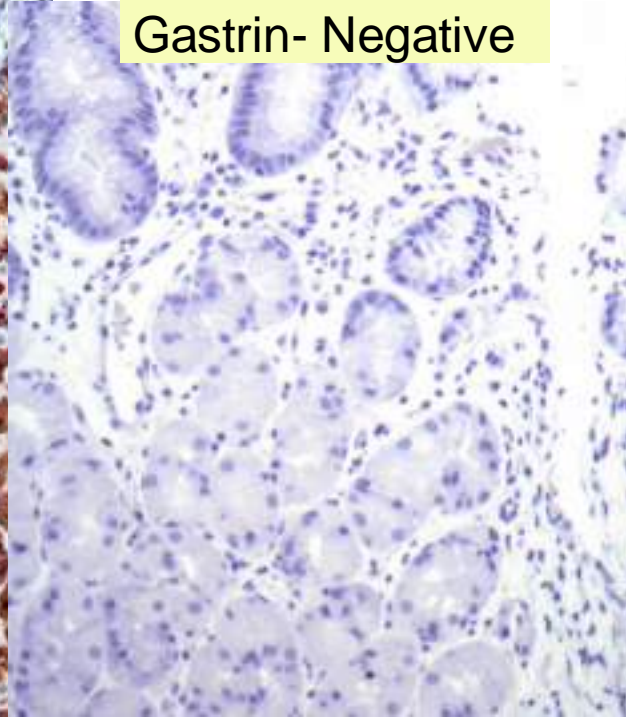
NORMAL CORPUS

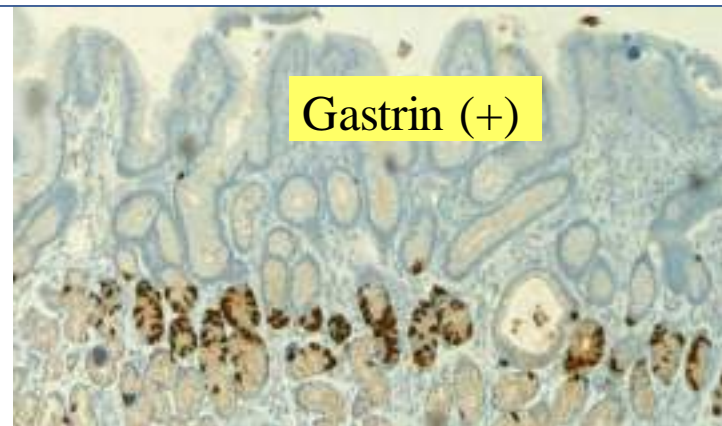
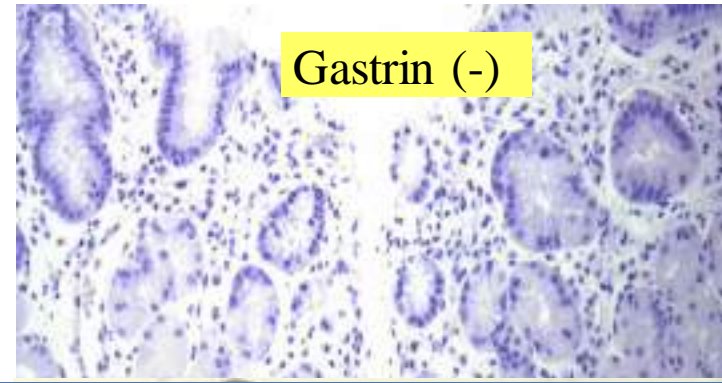
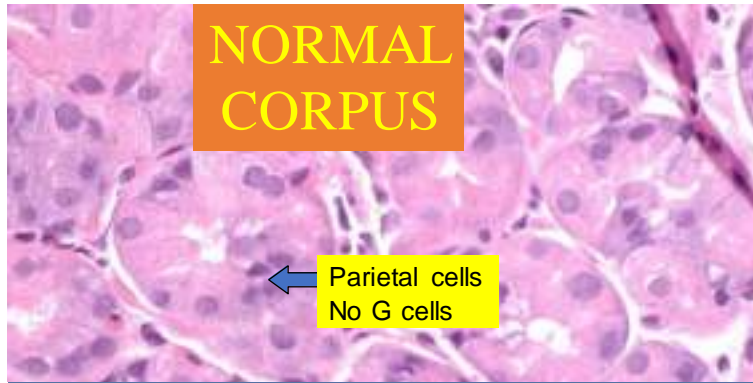
PGI (pepsinogen I) stains
Chief and mucous neck



Oxyntic endocrine cells make
histamine or **ghrelin**, not gastrin

Gastrin- Negative



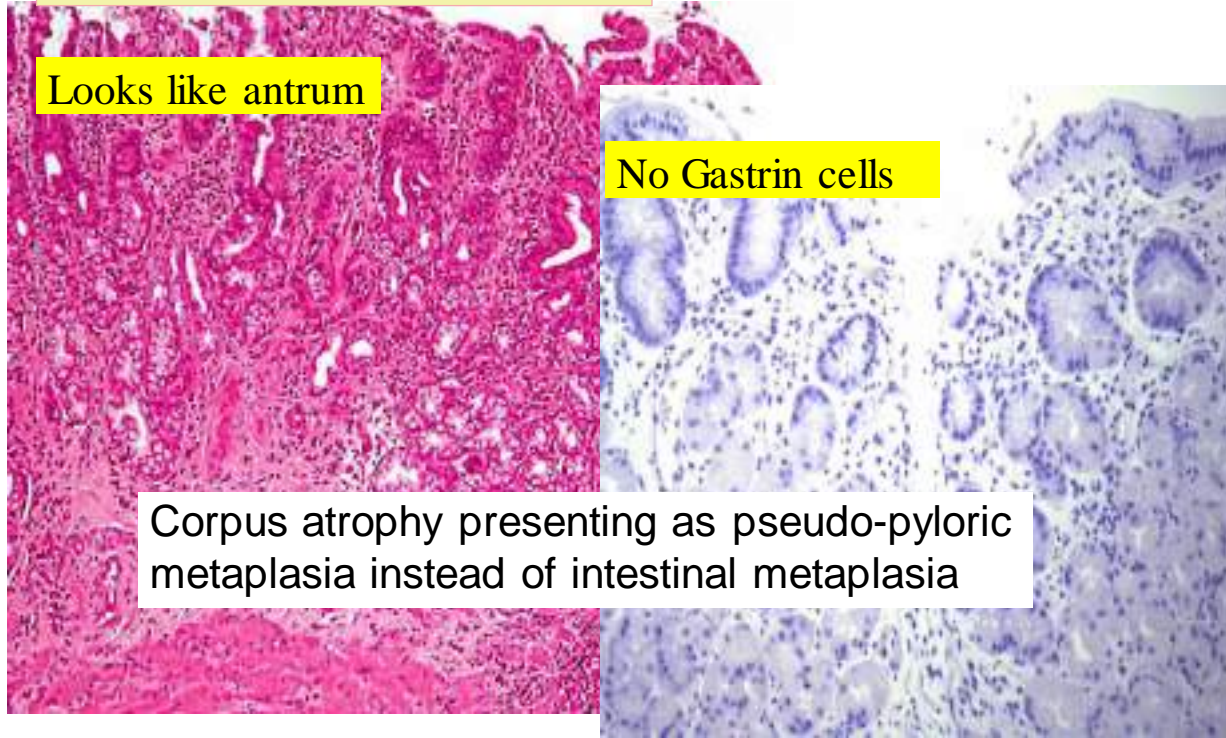


? Clinical relevance

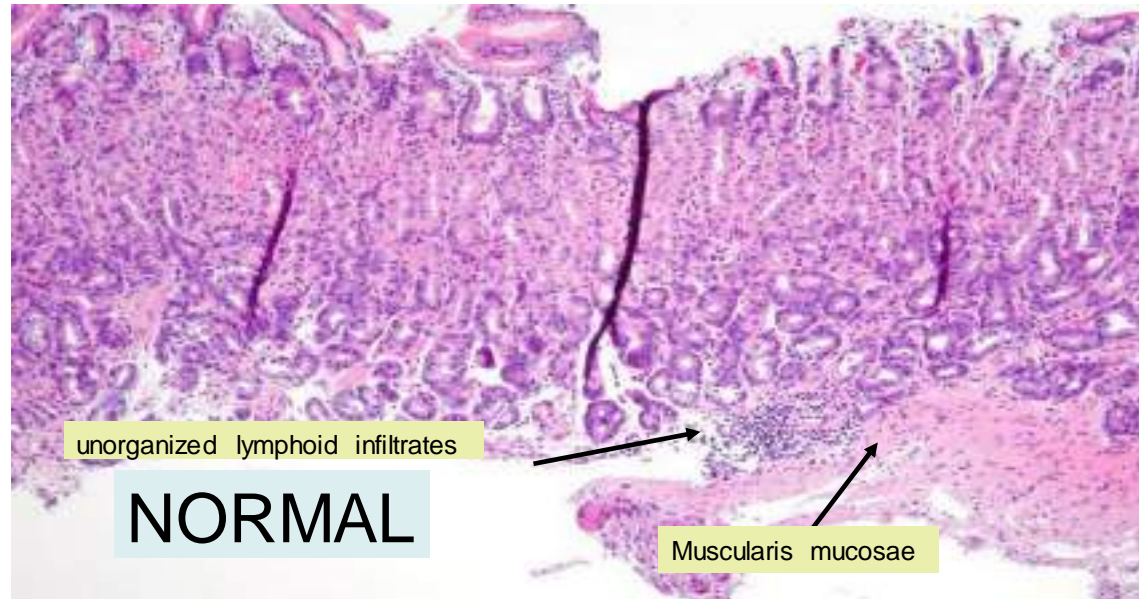
Looks like antrum

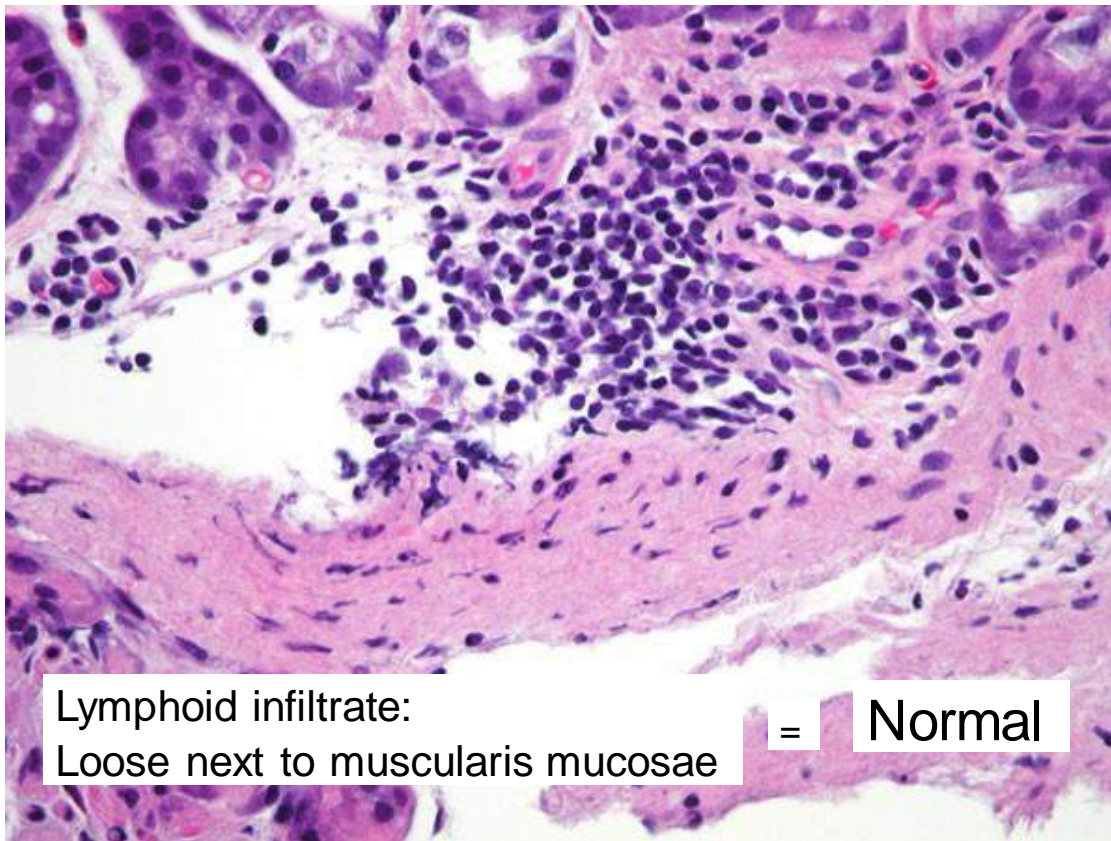
No Gastrin cells

Corpus atrophy presenting as pseudo-pyloric metaplasia instead of intestinal metaplasia



Landmark for NORMAL lymphoid infiltrates Muscularis mucosae





Lymphoid infiltrate:

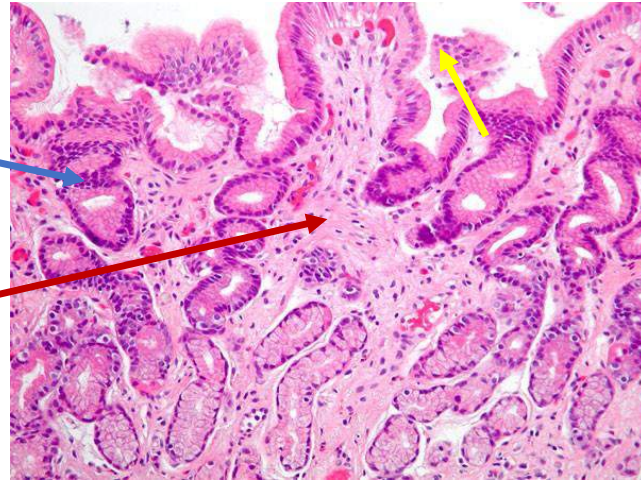
Loose next to muscularis mucosae

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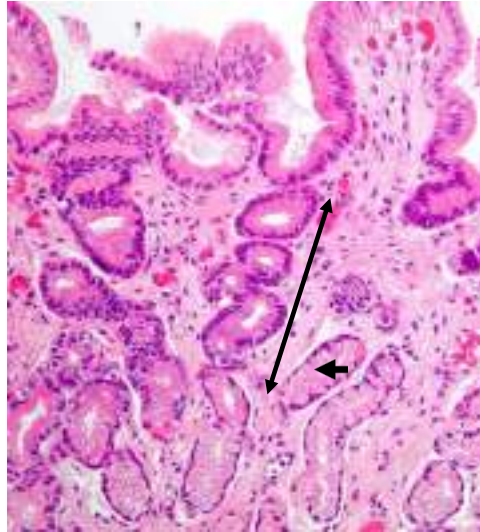
Normal

Reactive/Chemical Gastropathy Triad

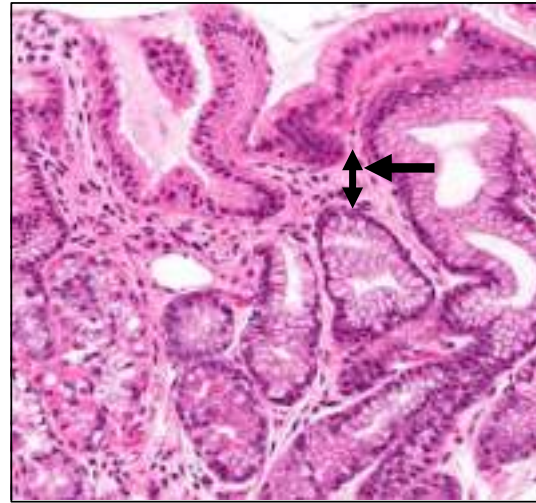
1. Foveolar hyperplasia
2. Smooth muscle fiber hyperplasia
3. Paucity of acute and chronic inflammatory cells



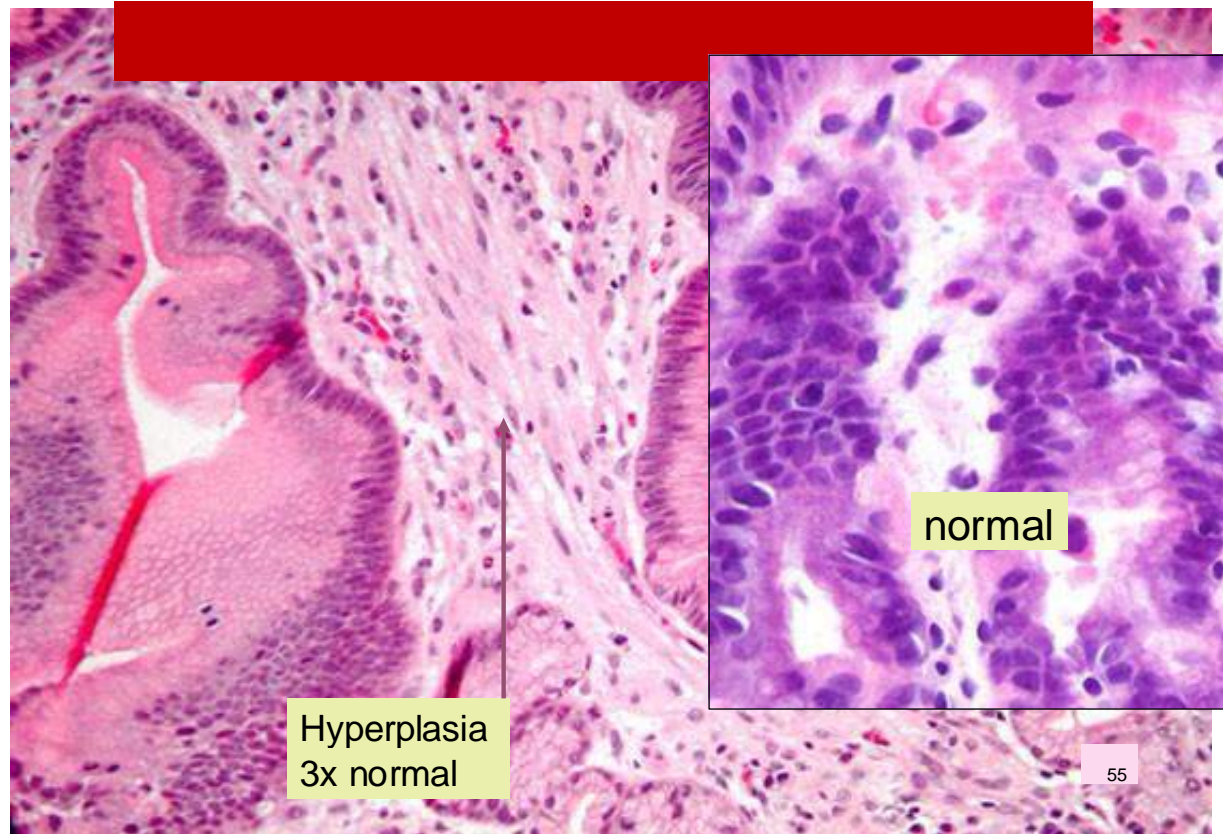
How to identify foveolar hyperplasia?
(length of neck region)



Foveolar hyperplasia
Long & tortuous
Up to 3 x normal



Normal



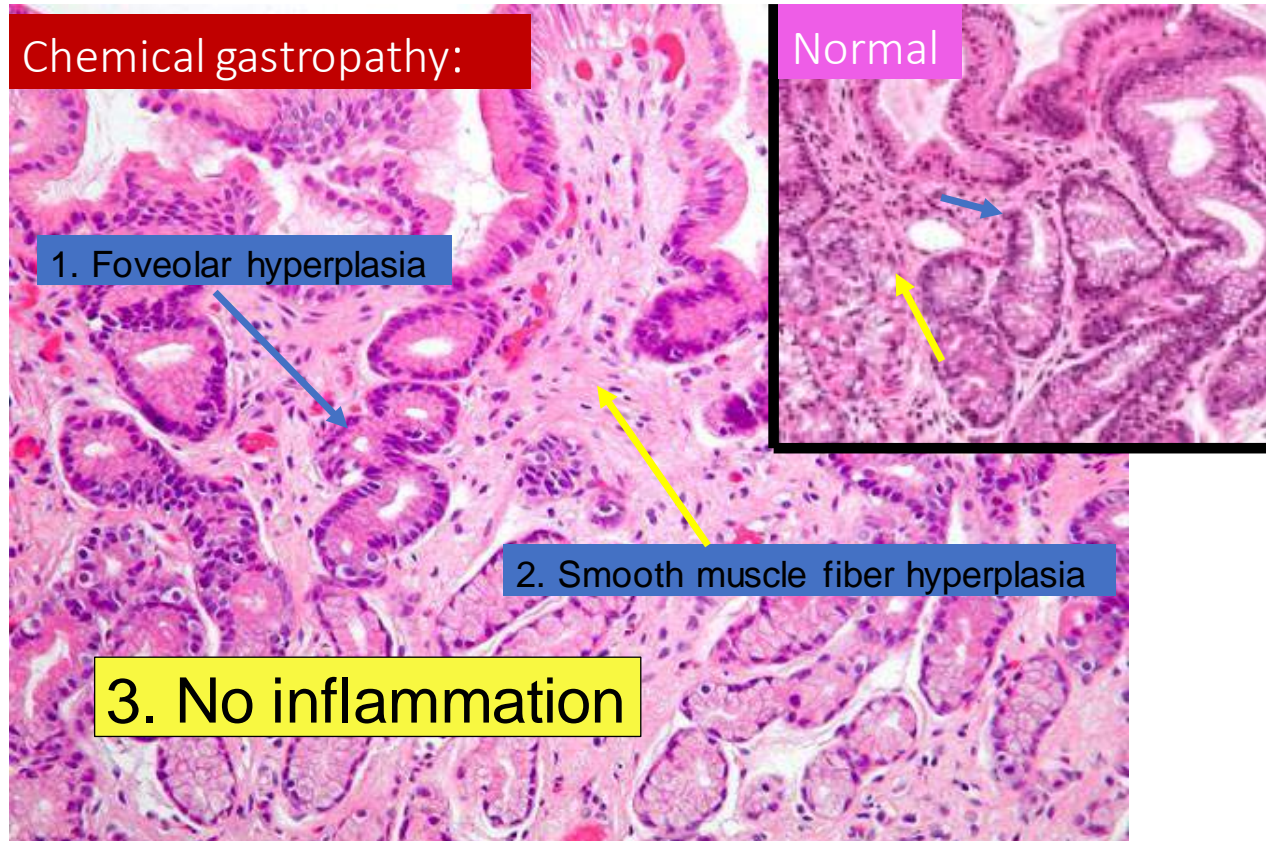
Chemical gastropathy:

1. Foveolar hyperplasia

2. Smooth muscle fiber hyperplasia

3. No inflammation

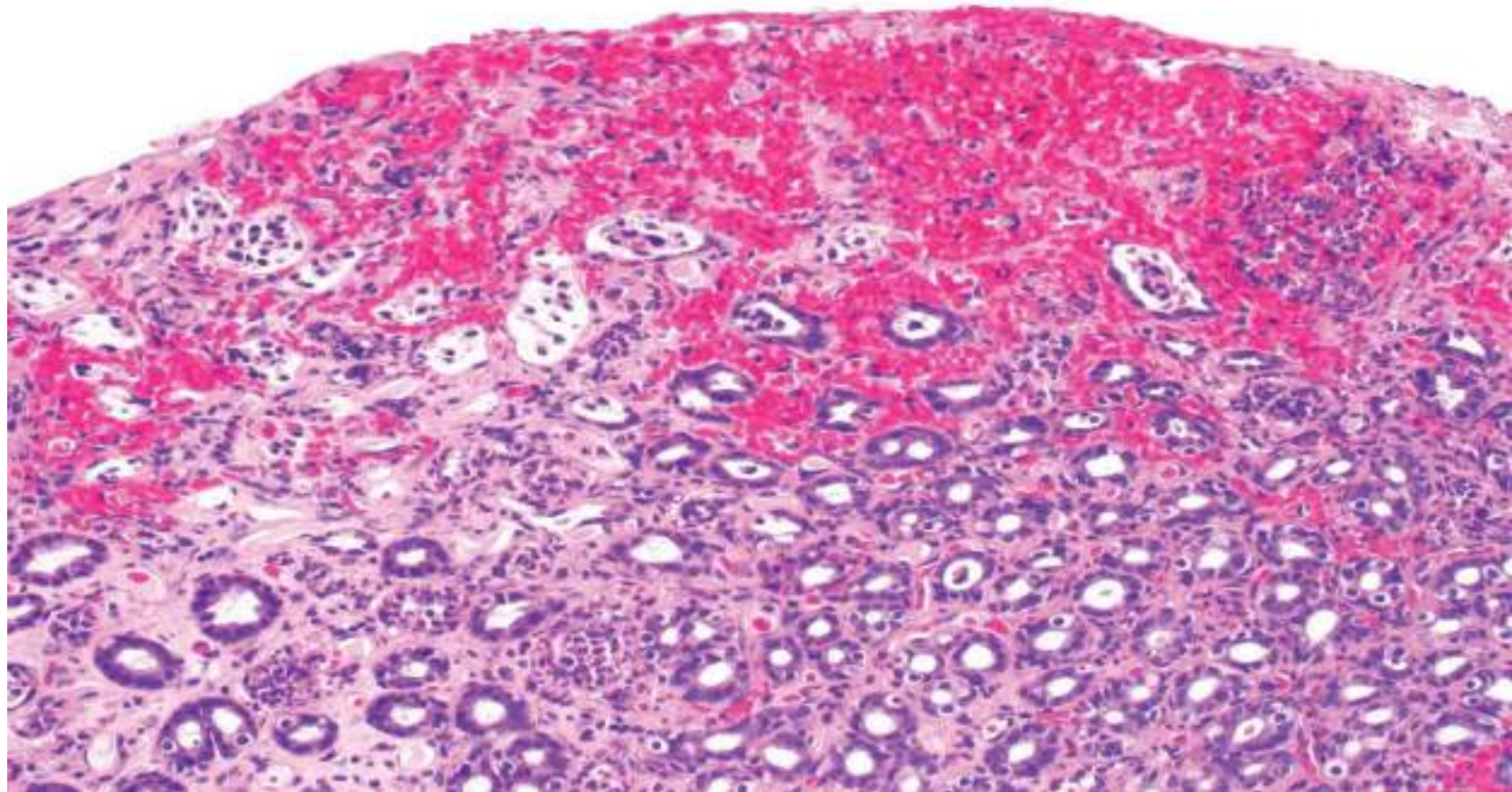
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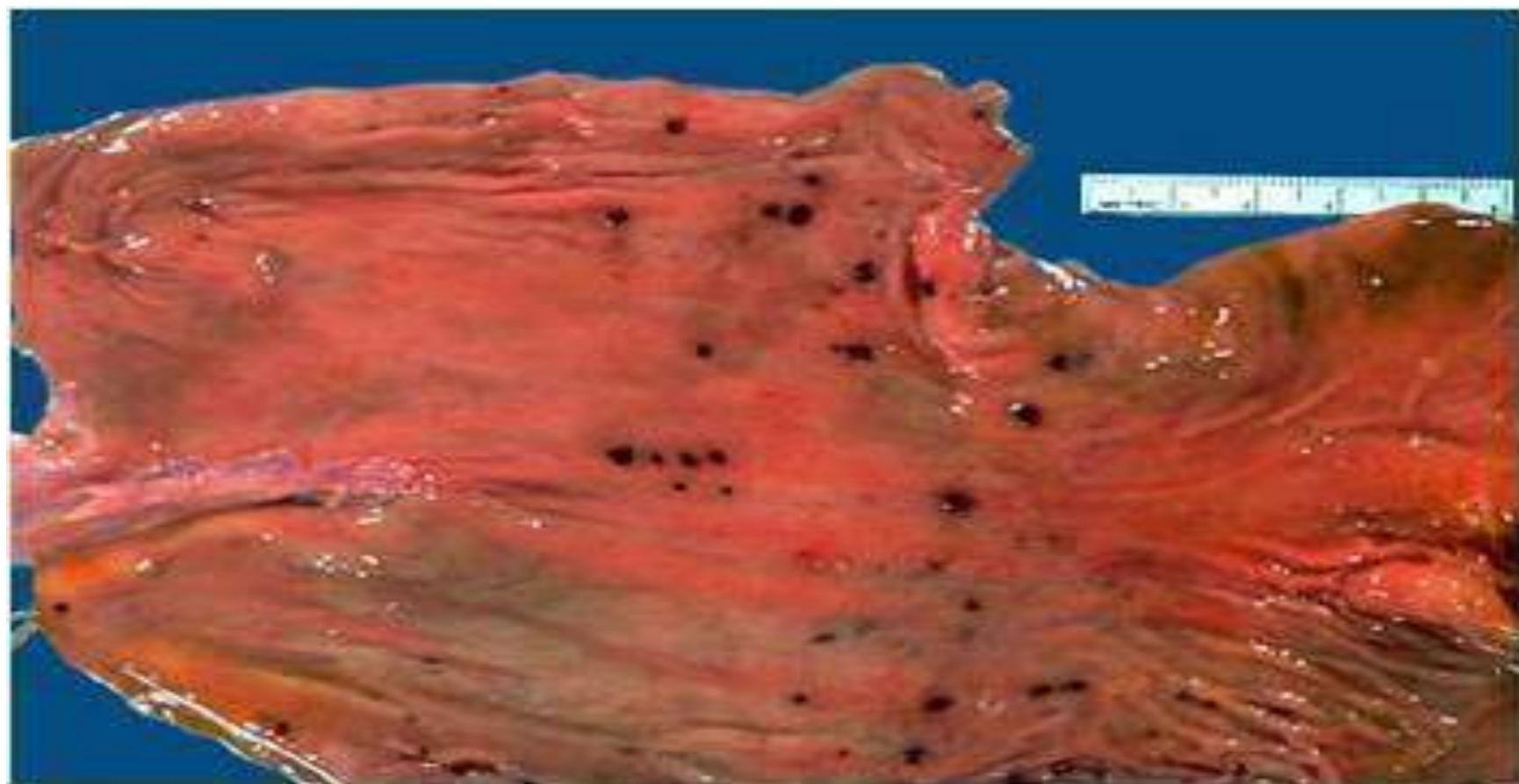


Acute gastritis

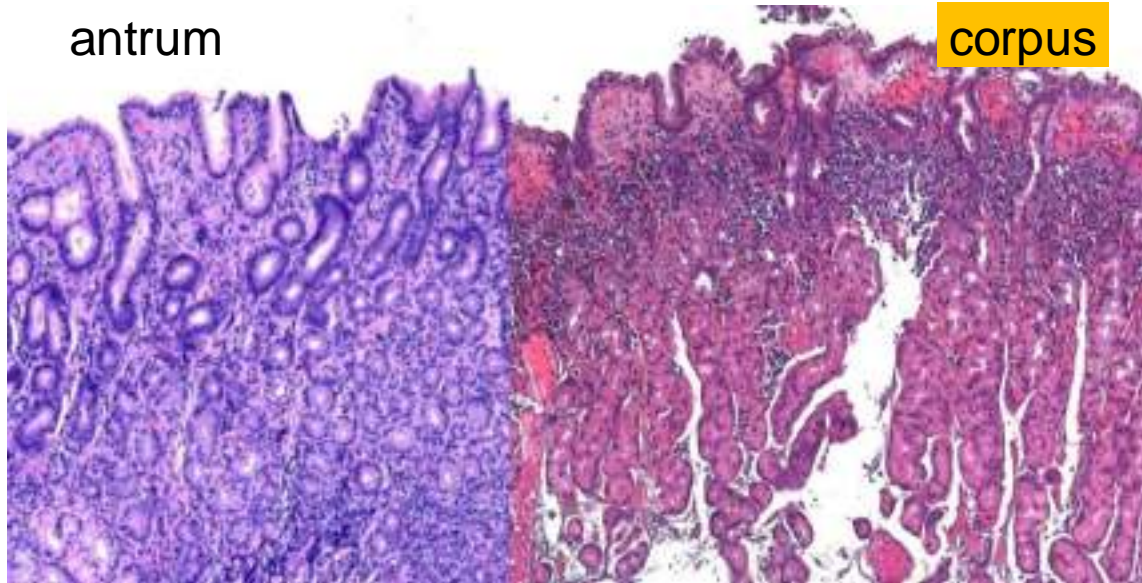


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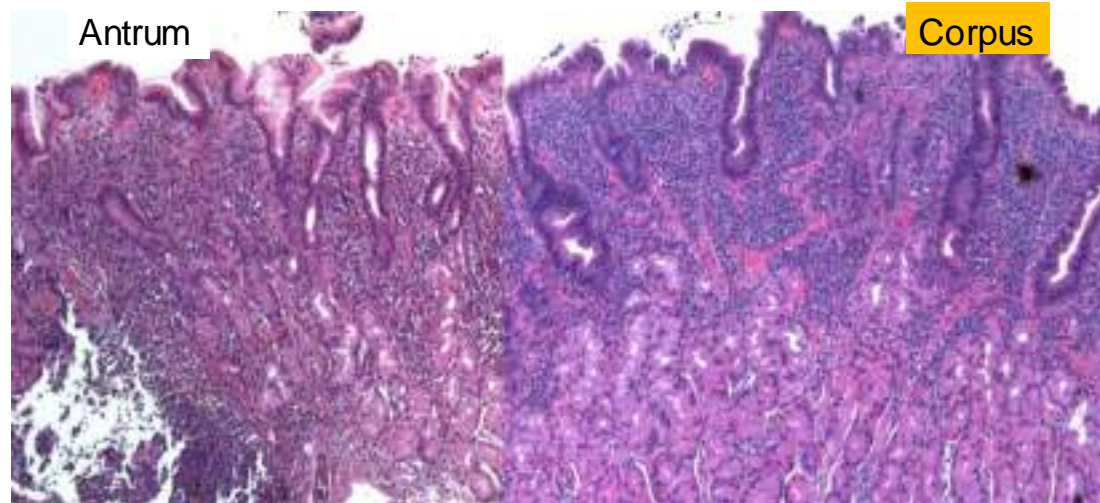


Sustained *H. Pylori* Gastritis



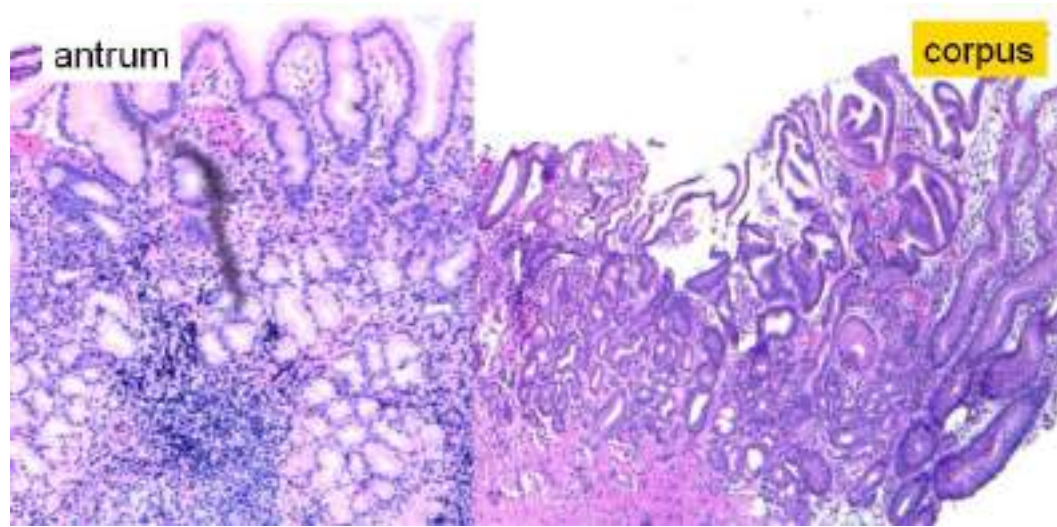
Pan Gastritis with superficial inflammation in the corpus

And later H. Pylori Gastritis

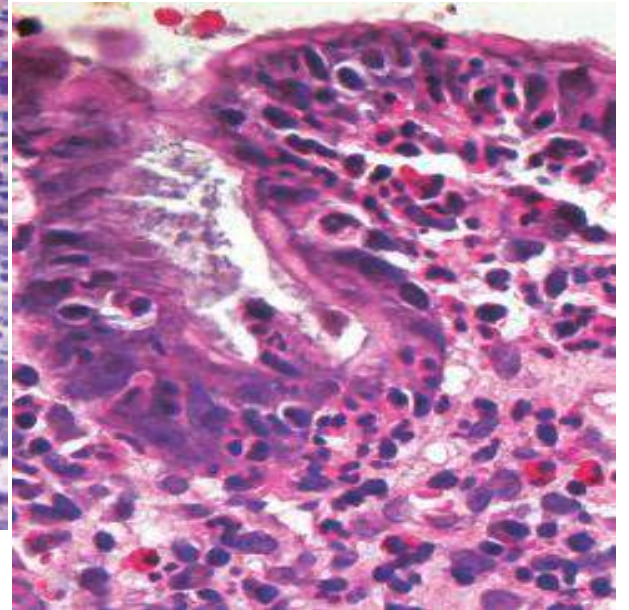
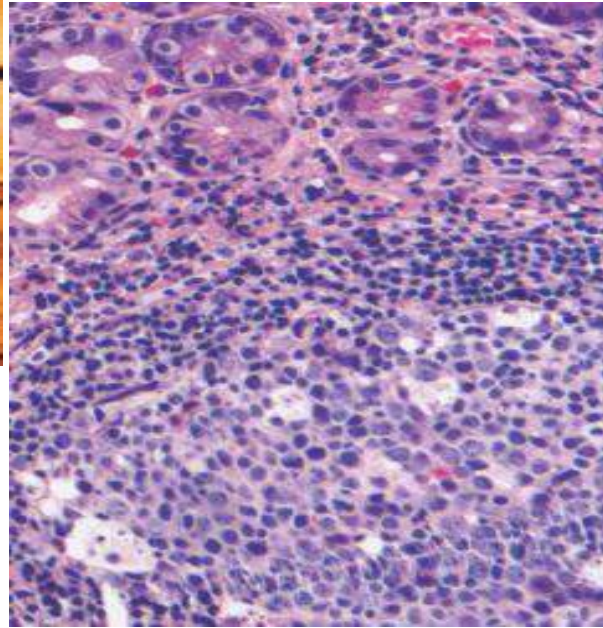
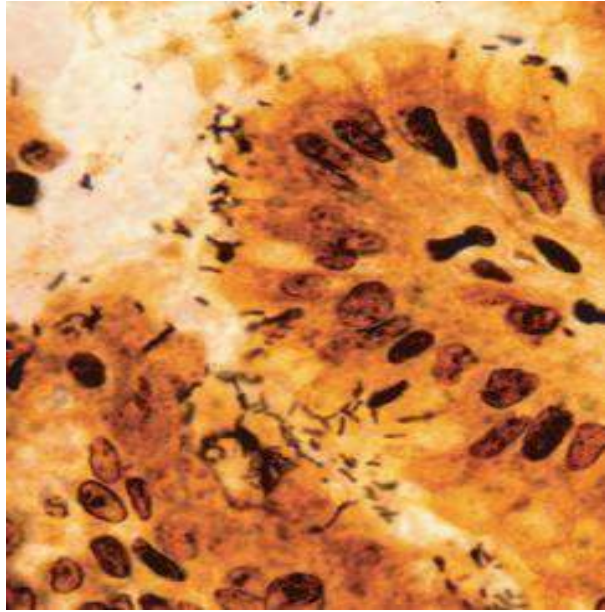


Pan-Gastritis with deeper inflammation in ! corpus

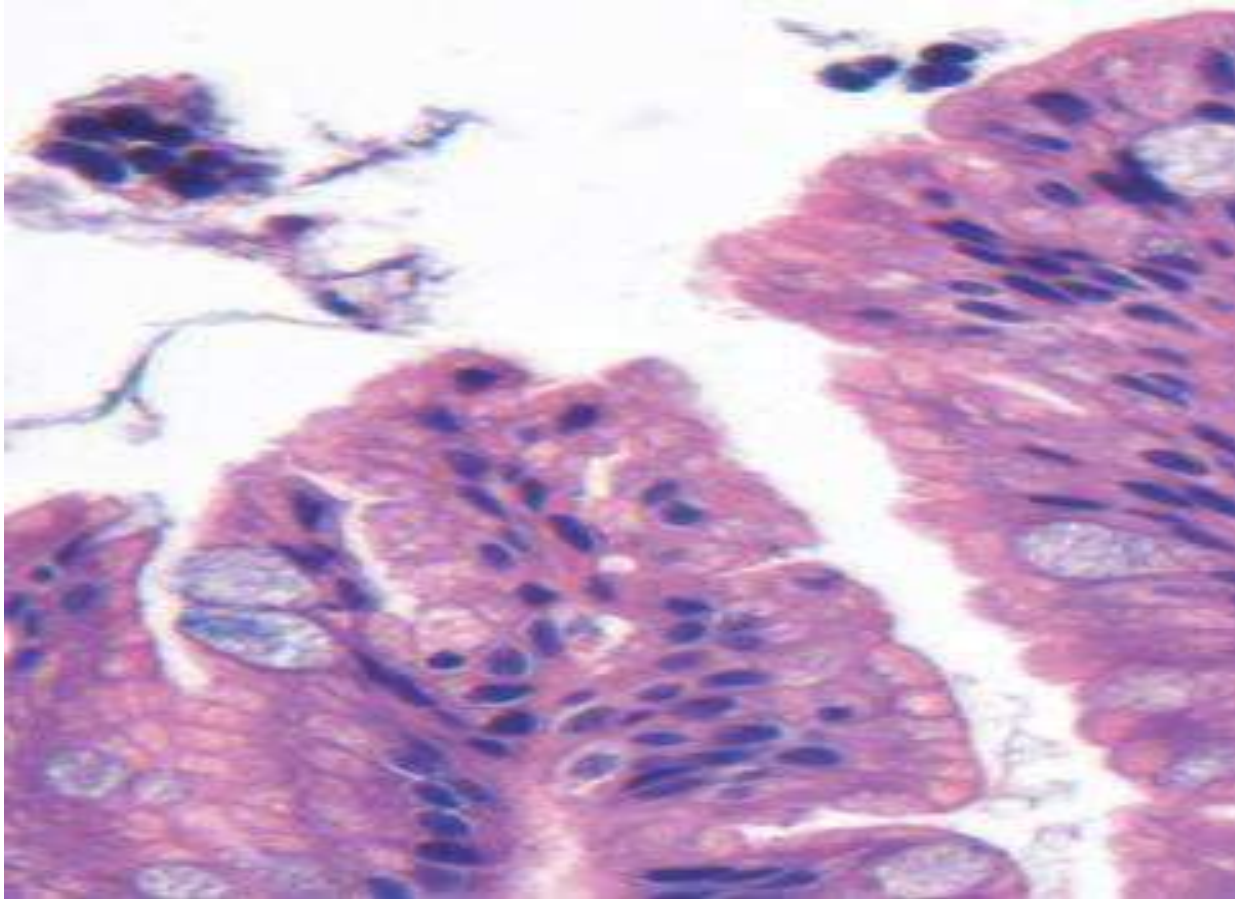
Too Late *H. Pylori* gastritis



Pan Gastritis with corpus atrophy
With increased risk for gastric carcinoma

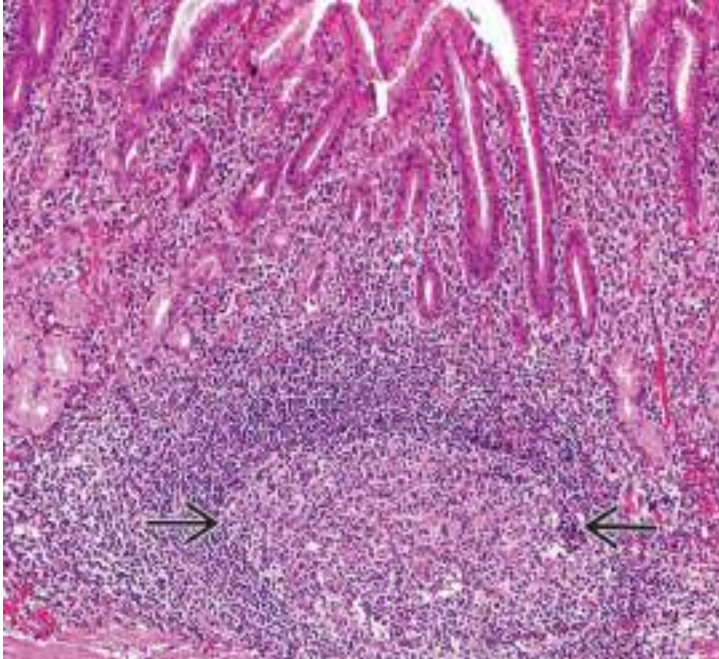


Intestinal metaplasia

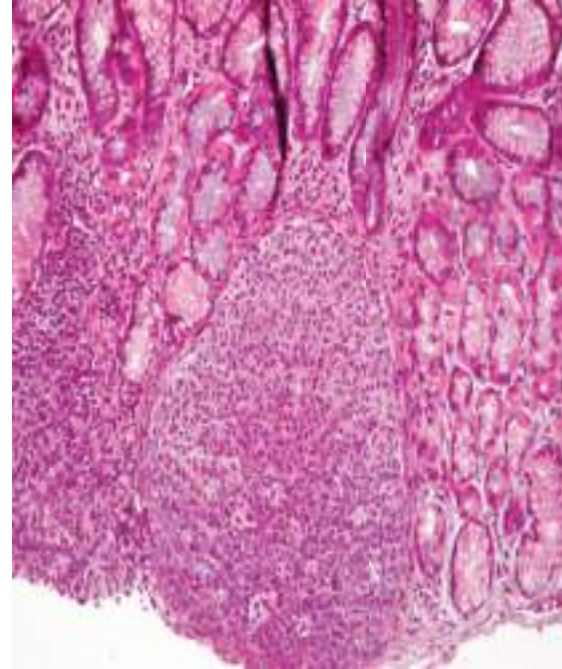


Lymphoid Follicles in *H. pylori* infection

Pre-treatment



Post treatment



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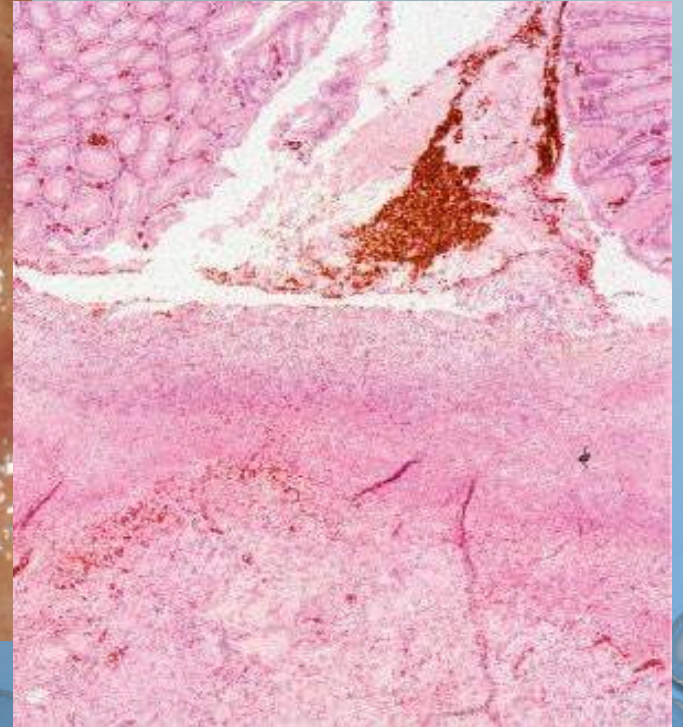
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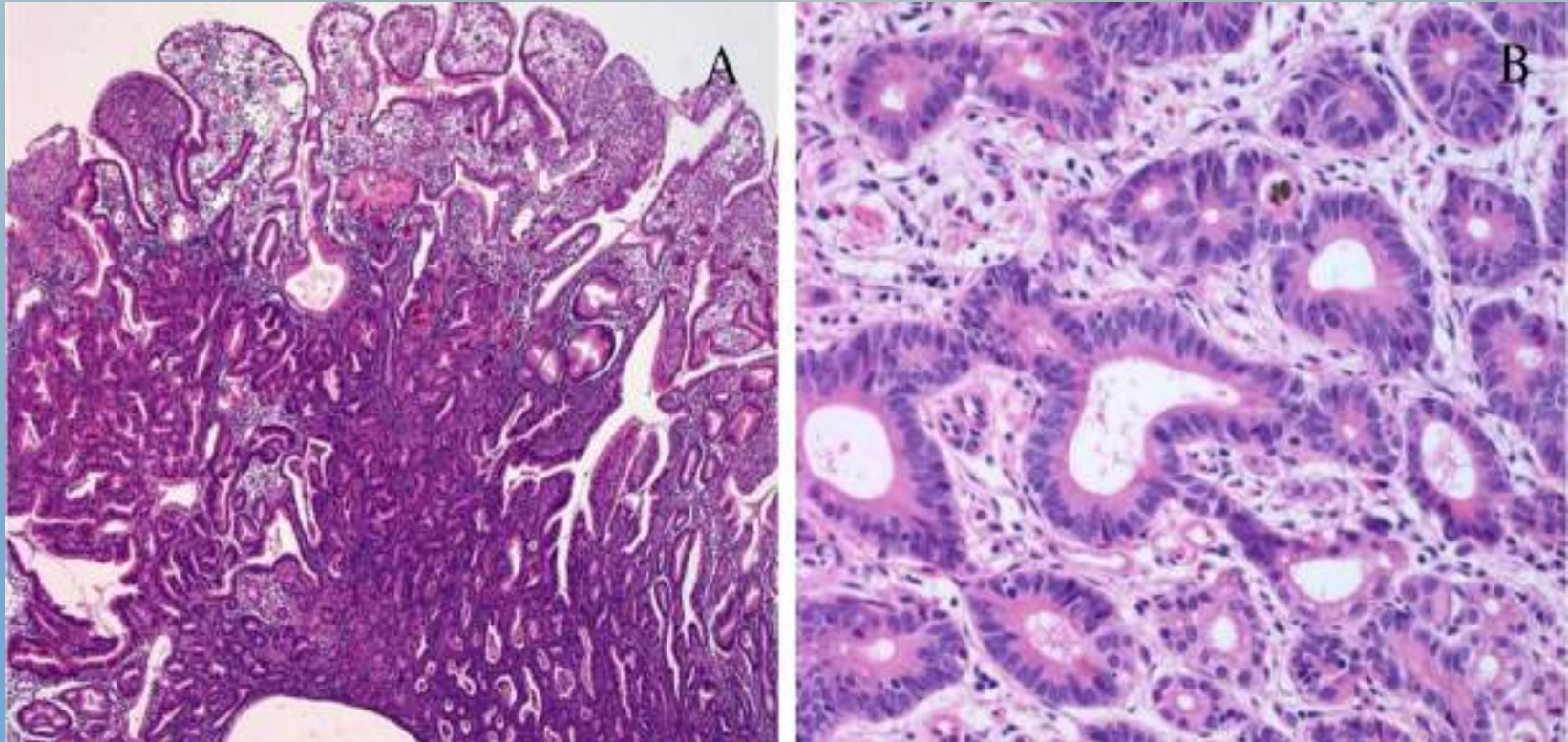




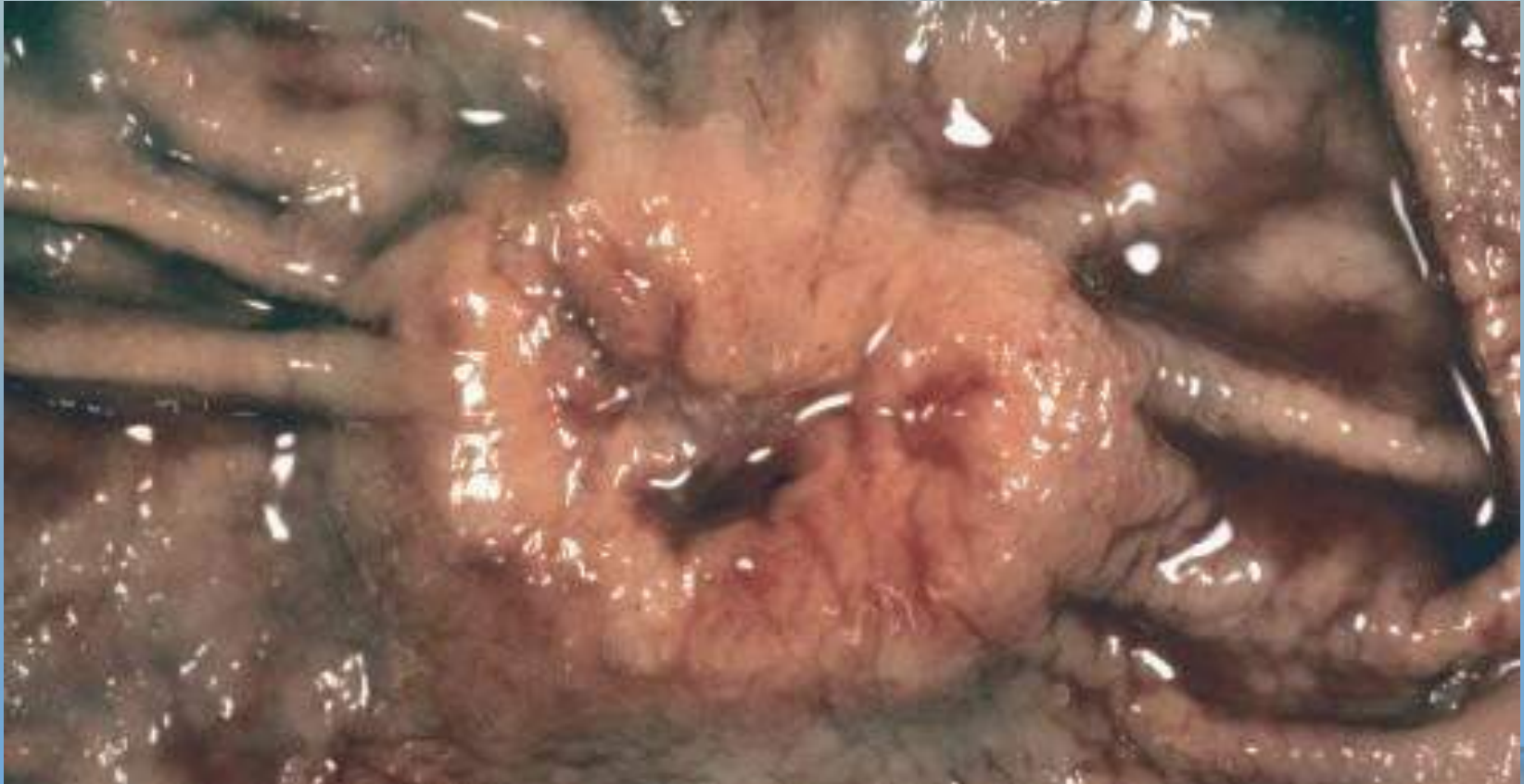
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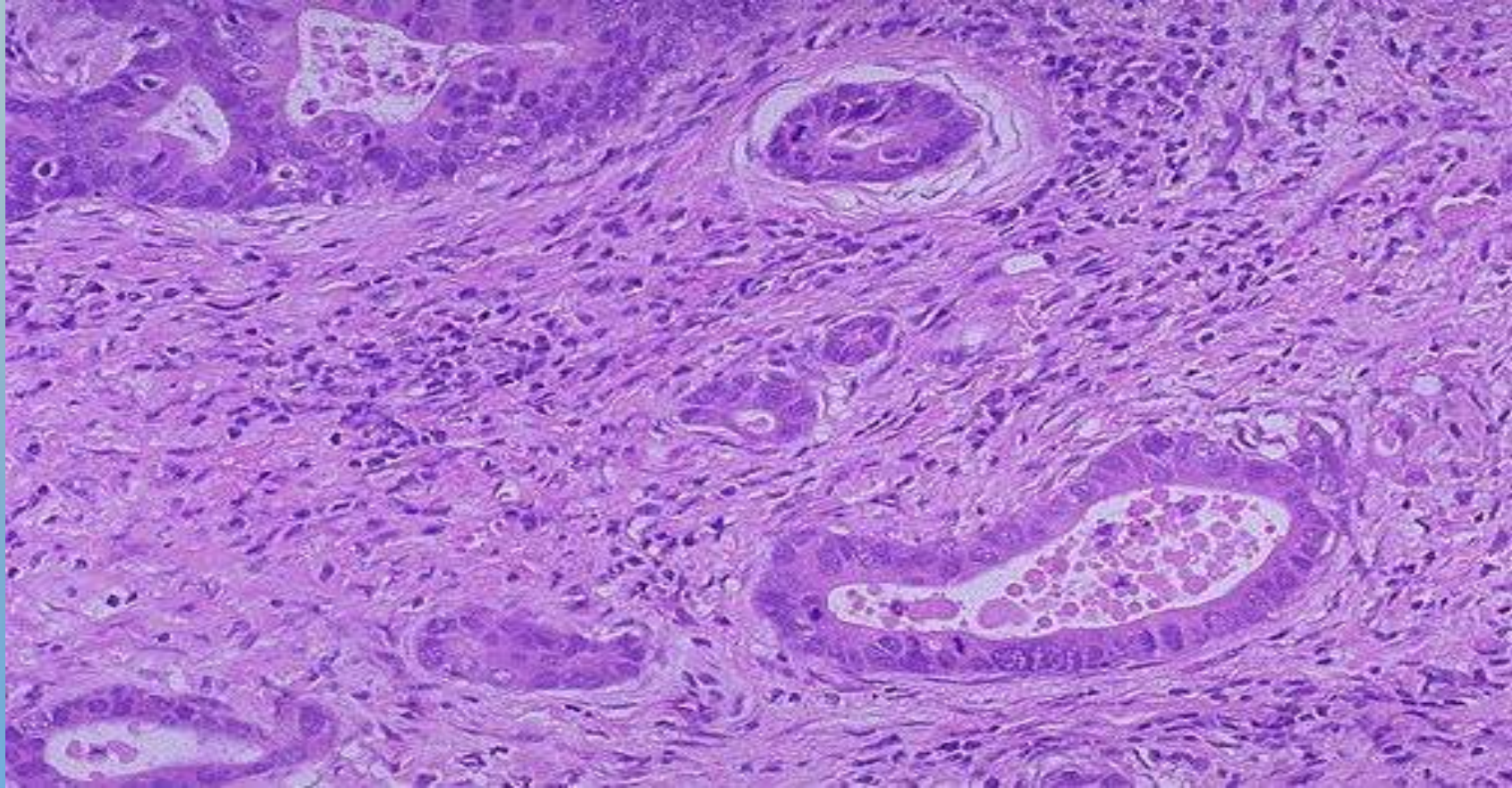
GASTRIC ADENOMA



INTESTINAL TYPE



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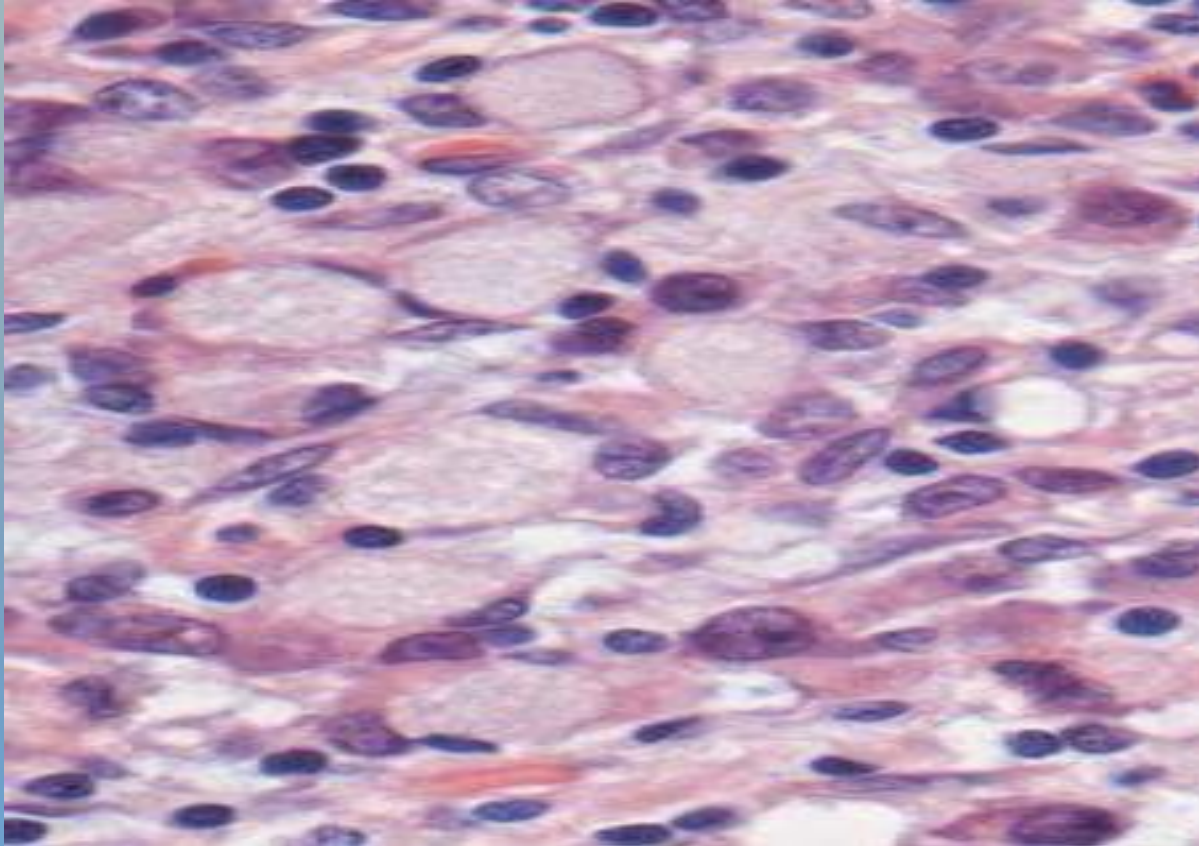


LINITIS PLASTICA

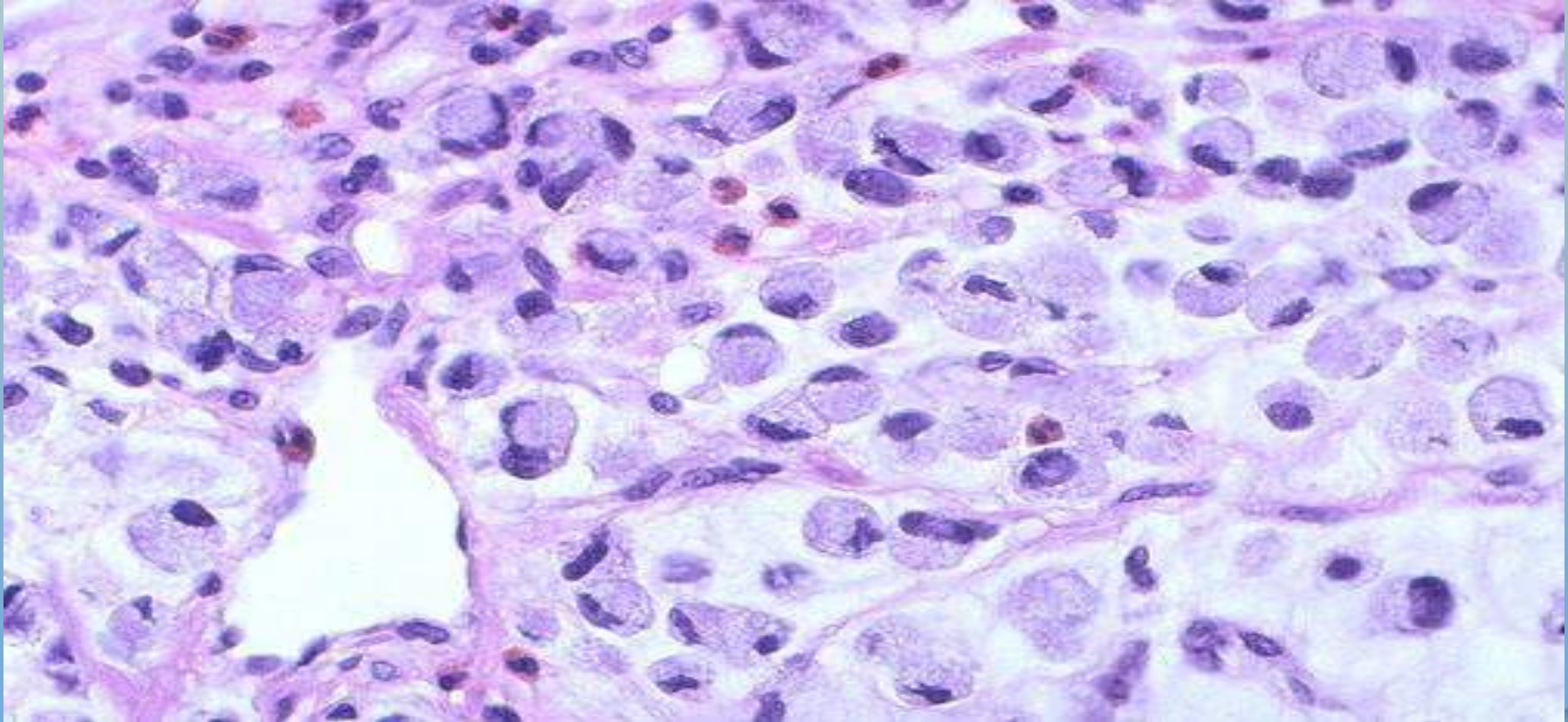


Signet ring cells:

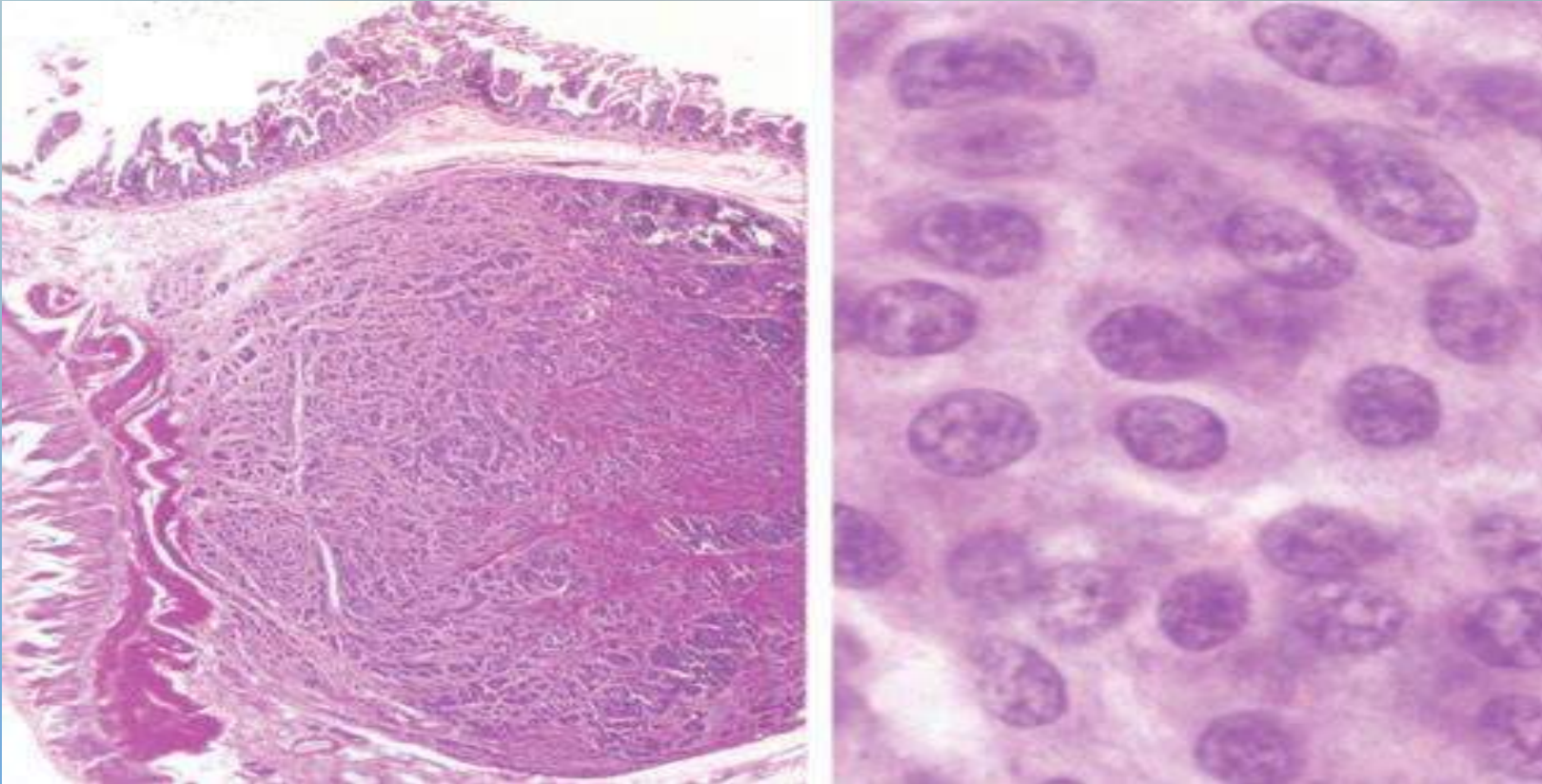
- large mucin vacuoles that expand the cytoplasm and push the nucleus to the periphery,



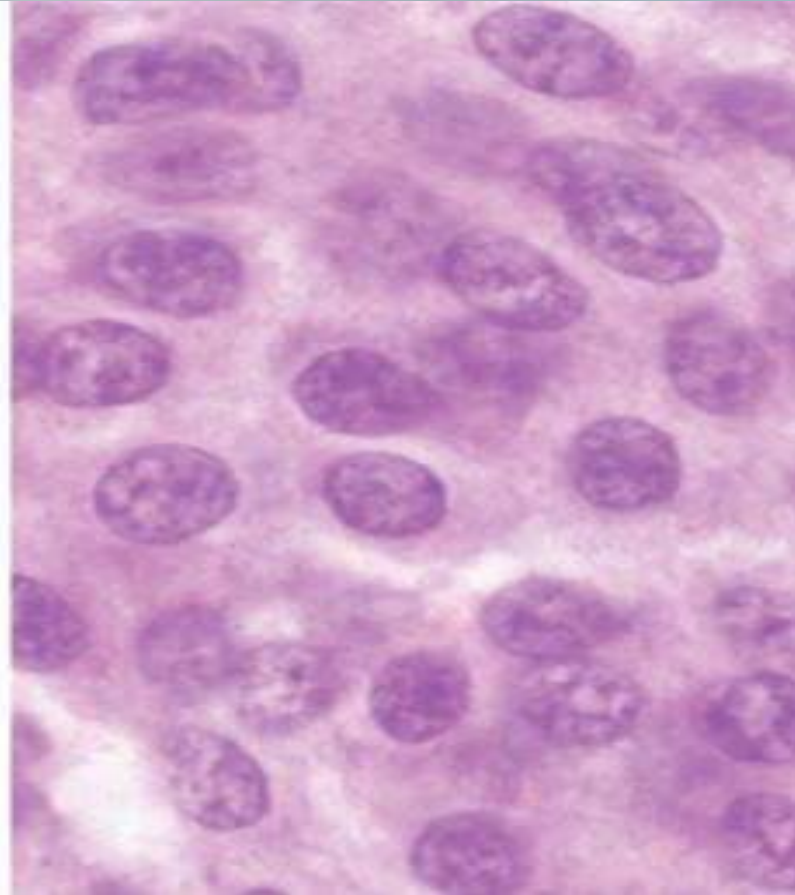
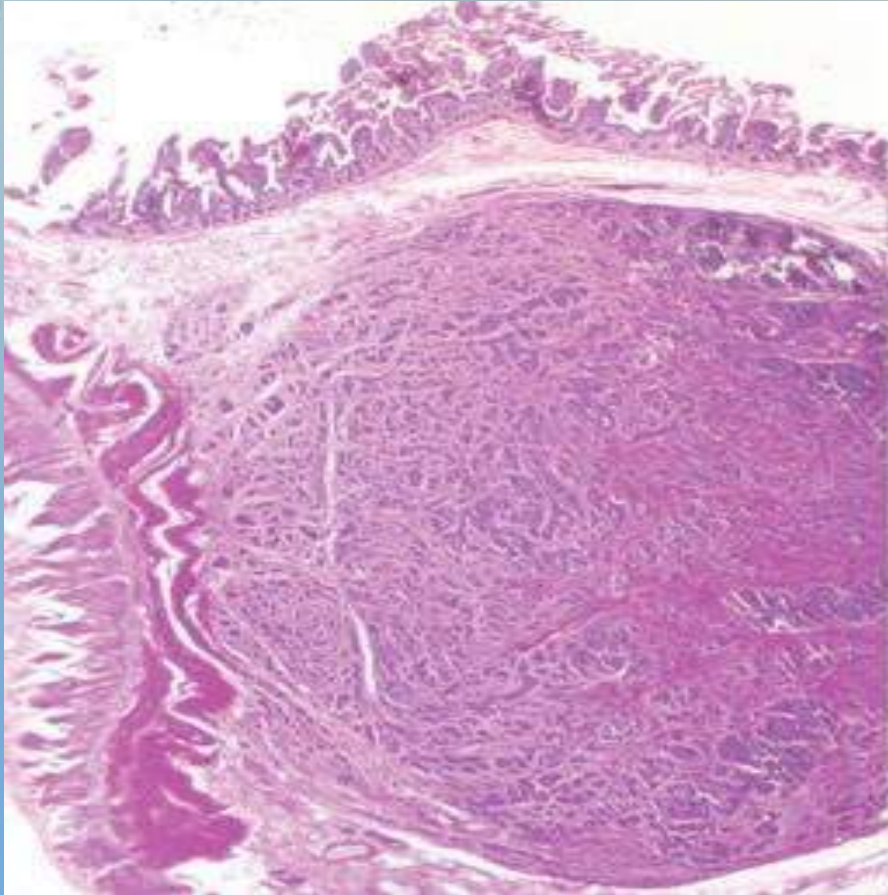
DIFFUSE TYPE, SIGNET RING CELLS



INTRAMURAL OR SUBMUCOSAL MASSES (SMALL POLYPOID LESIONS)



Islands, trabeculae, strands, glands, or sheets of uniform cells with scant, pink granular cytoplasm and salt and pepper chromatin.



Small and Large Intestinal pathology, part 1

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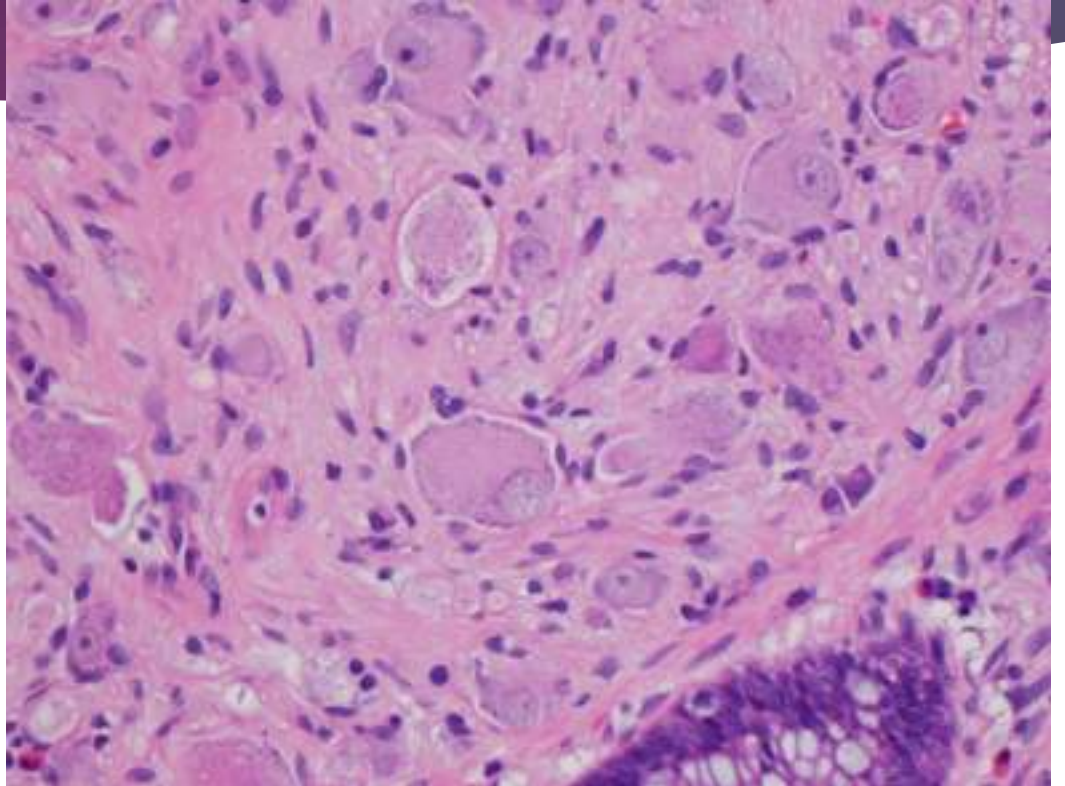
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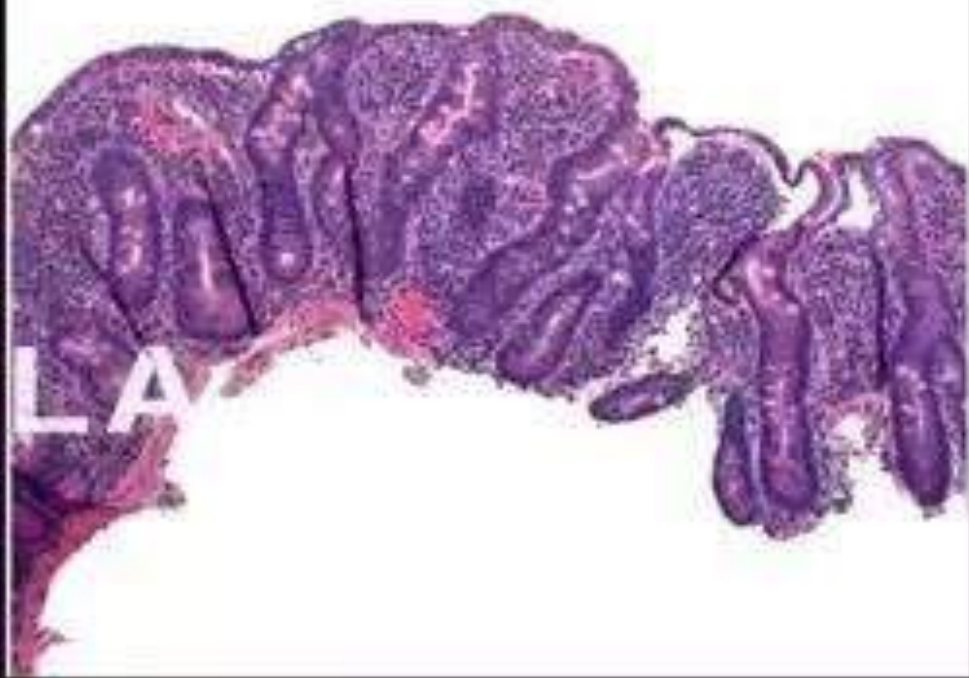
ganglion cells



Normal



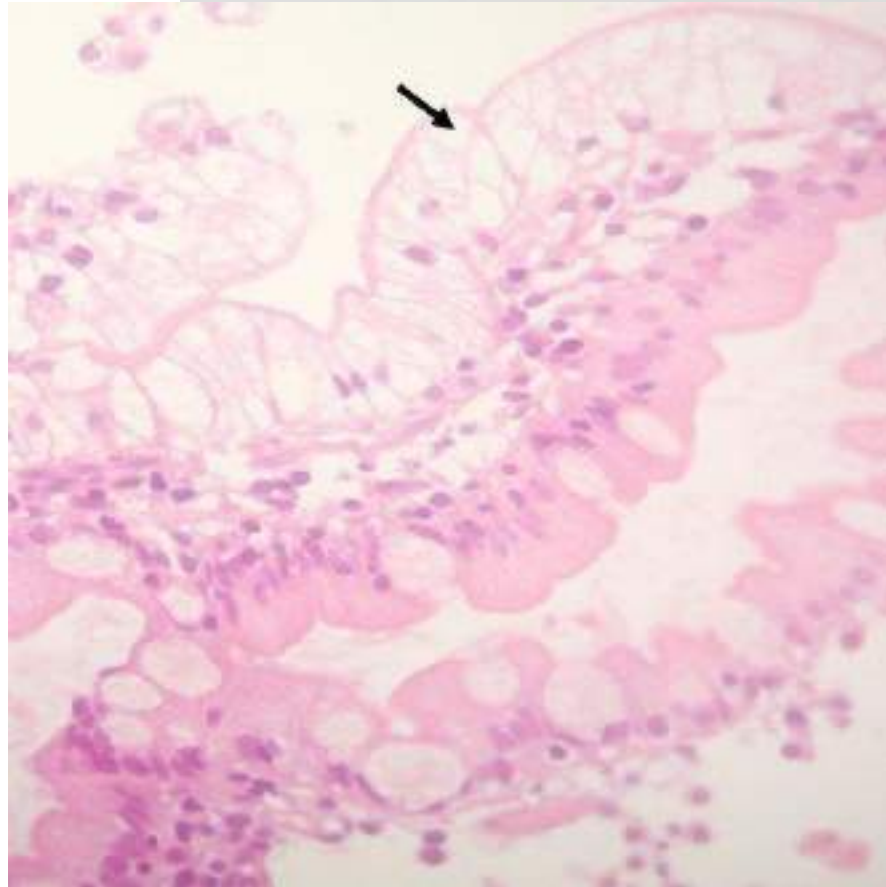
Celiac Disease



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Dermatitis herpetiformis.





Micrograph showing enterocytes with a clear cytoplasm (due to lipid accumulation) characteristic of abetalipoproteinemia.

Small and Large Intestinal pathology, part 2

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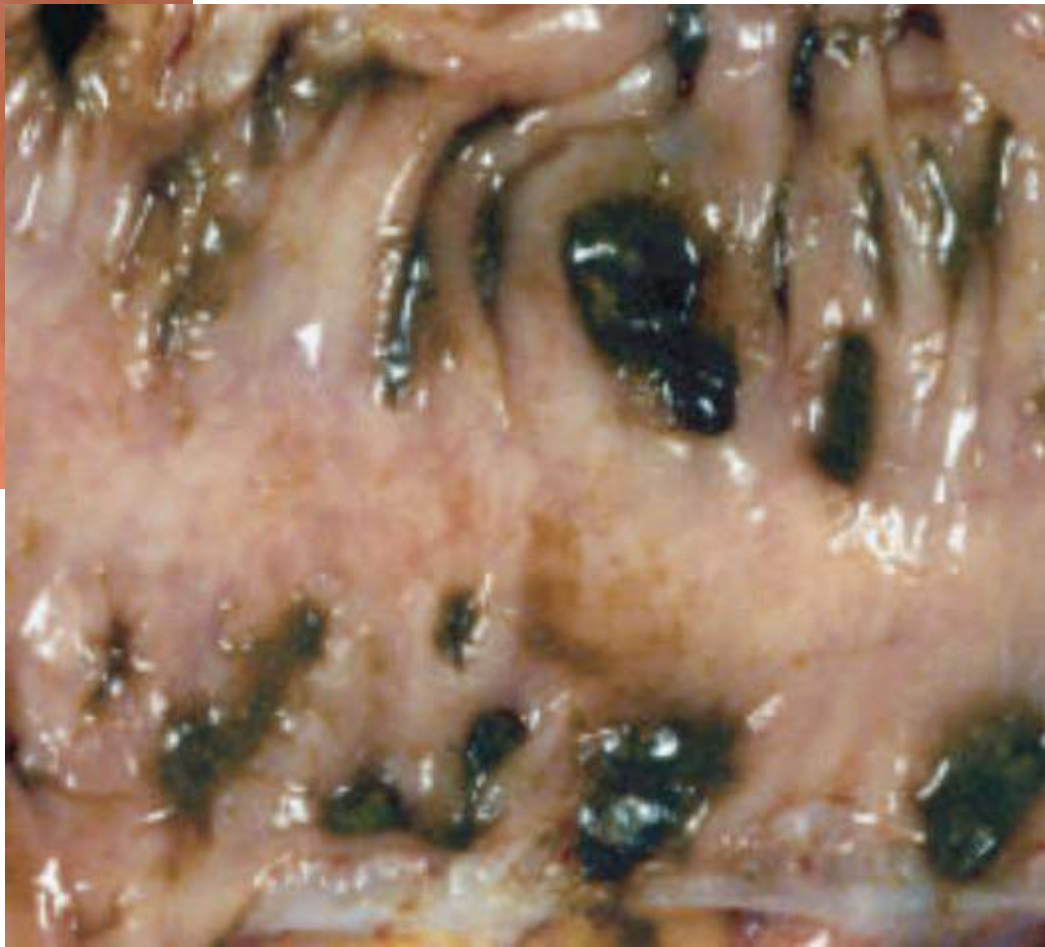
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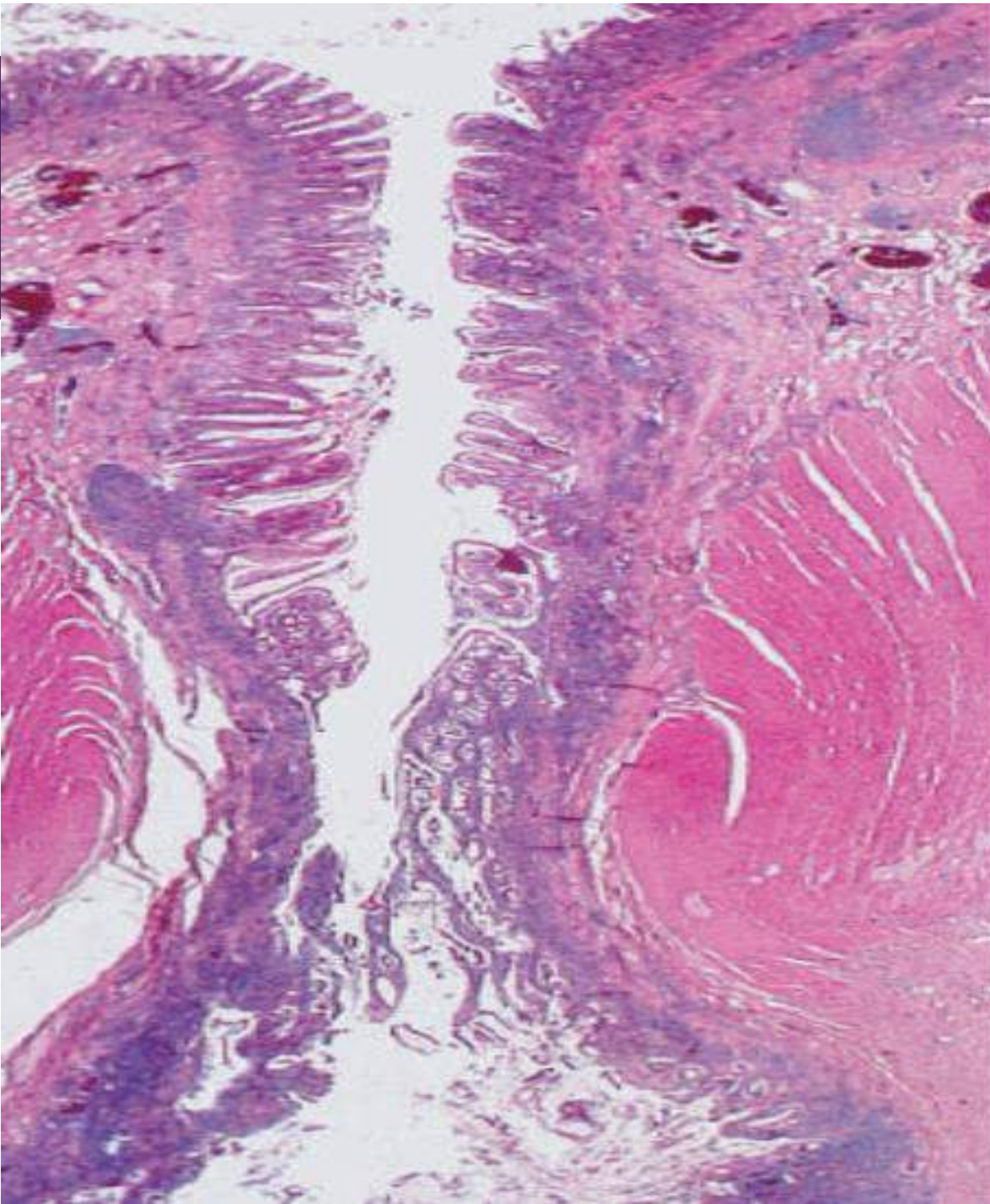
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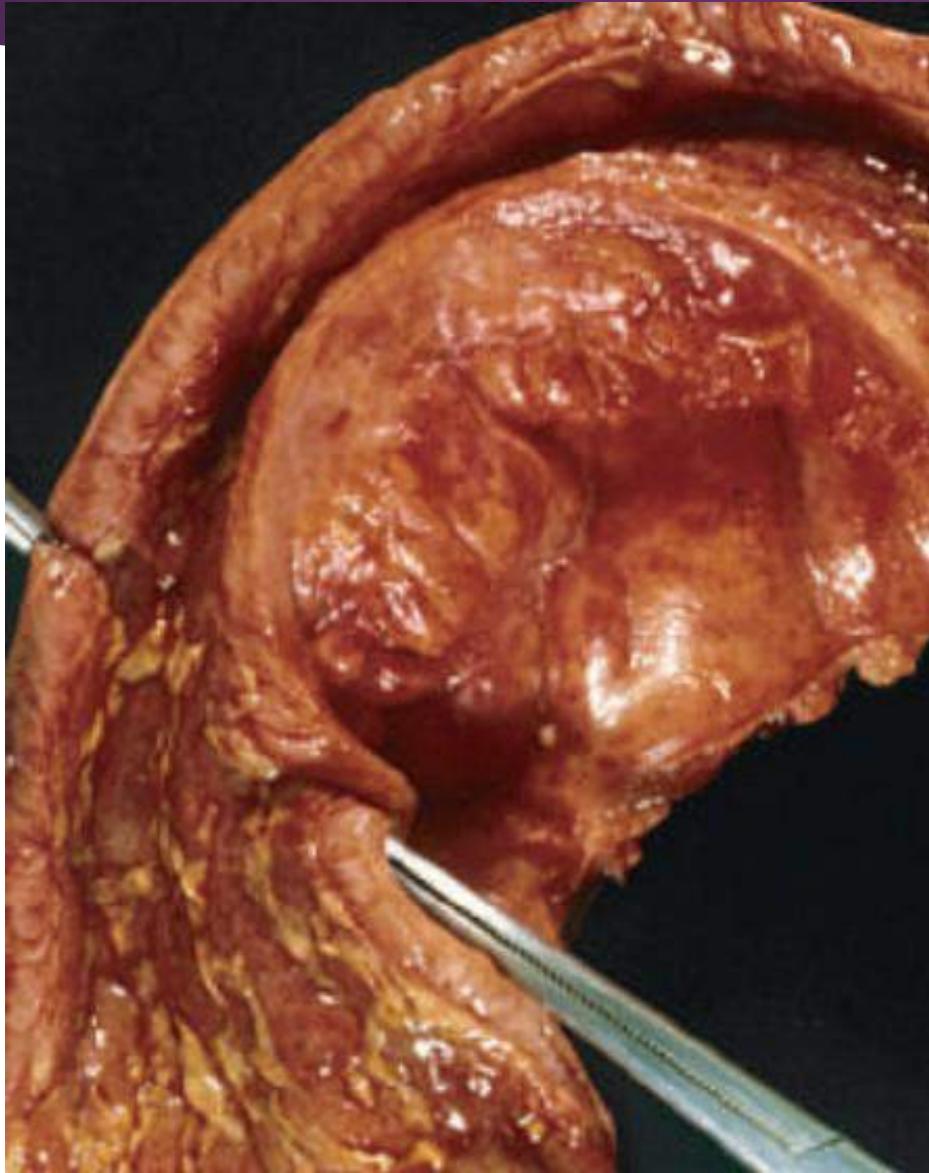
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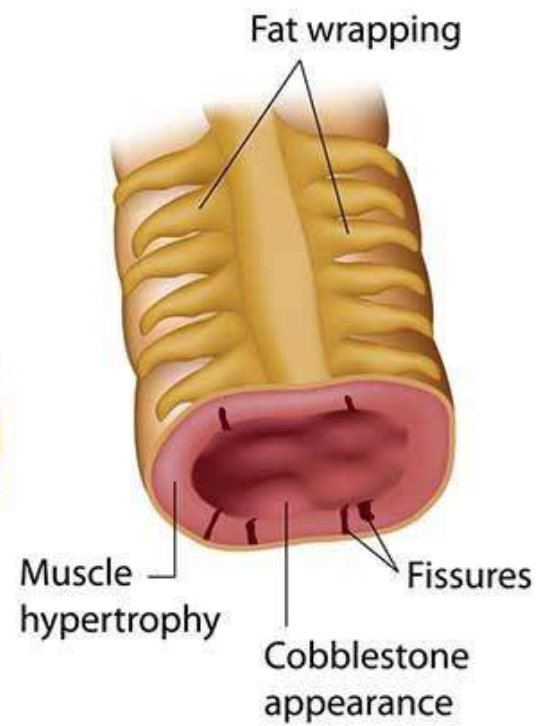
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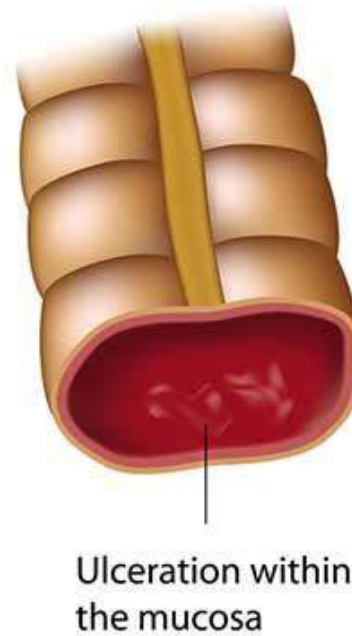
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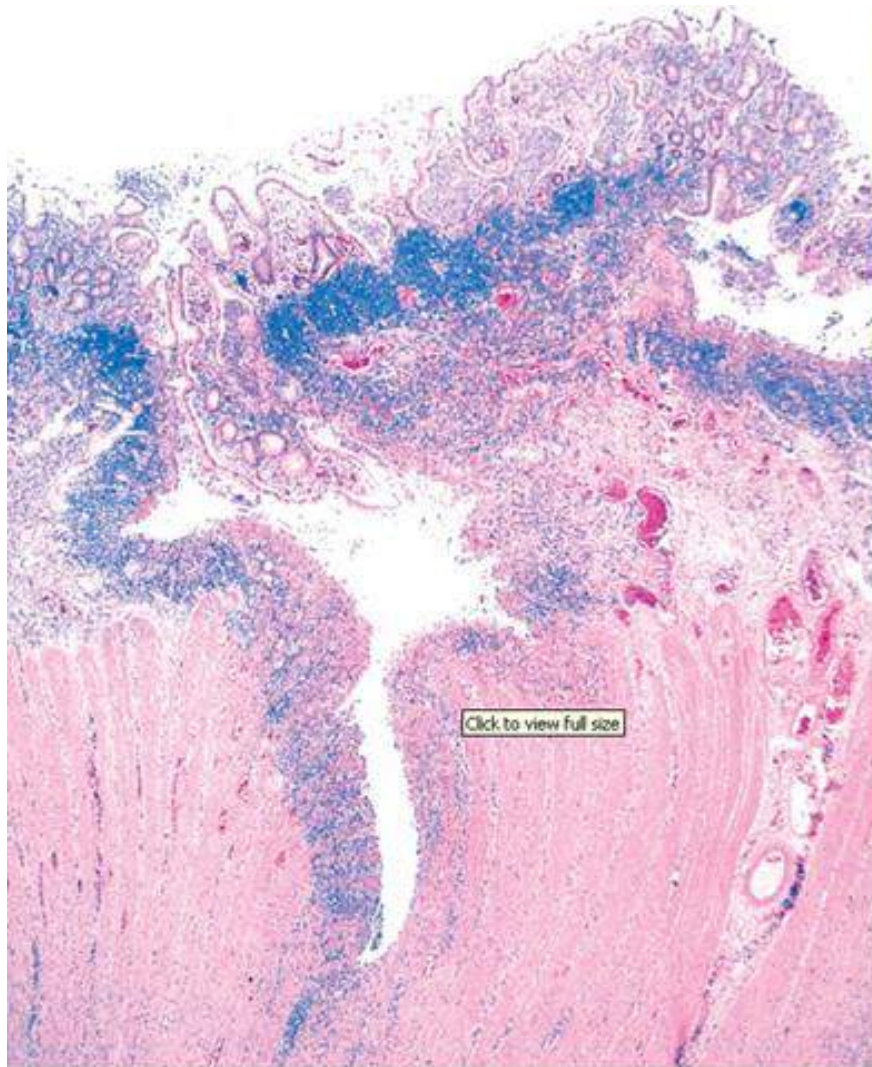


Crohn's disease



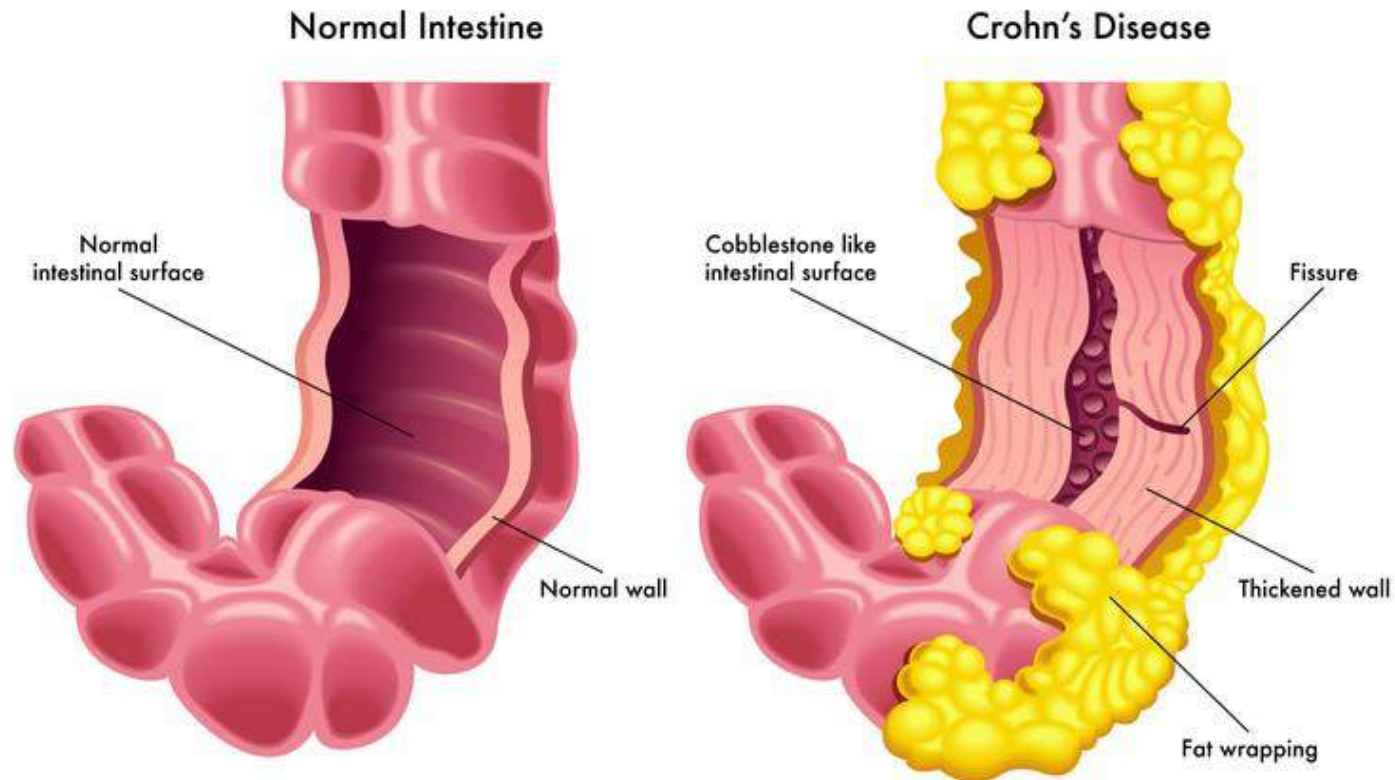
Ulcerative colitis





Crohn disease of the colon showing a deep fissure extending into the muscle wall, a second, shallow ulcer (upper right), and relative preservation of the intervening mucosa. Abundant lymphocyte aggregates are present, evident as dense blue patches of cells at the interface between mucosa and submucosa

Creeping fat

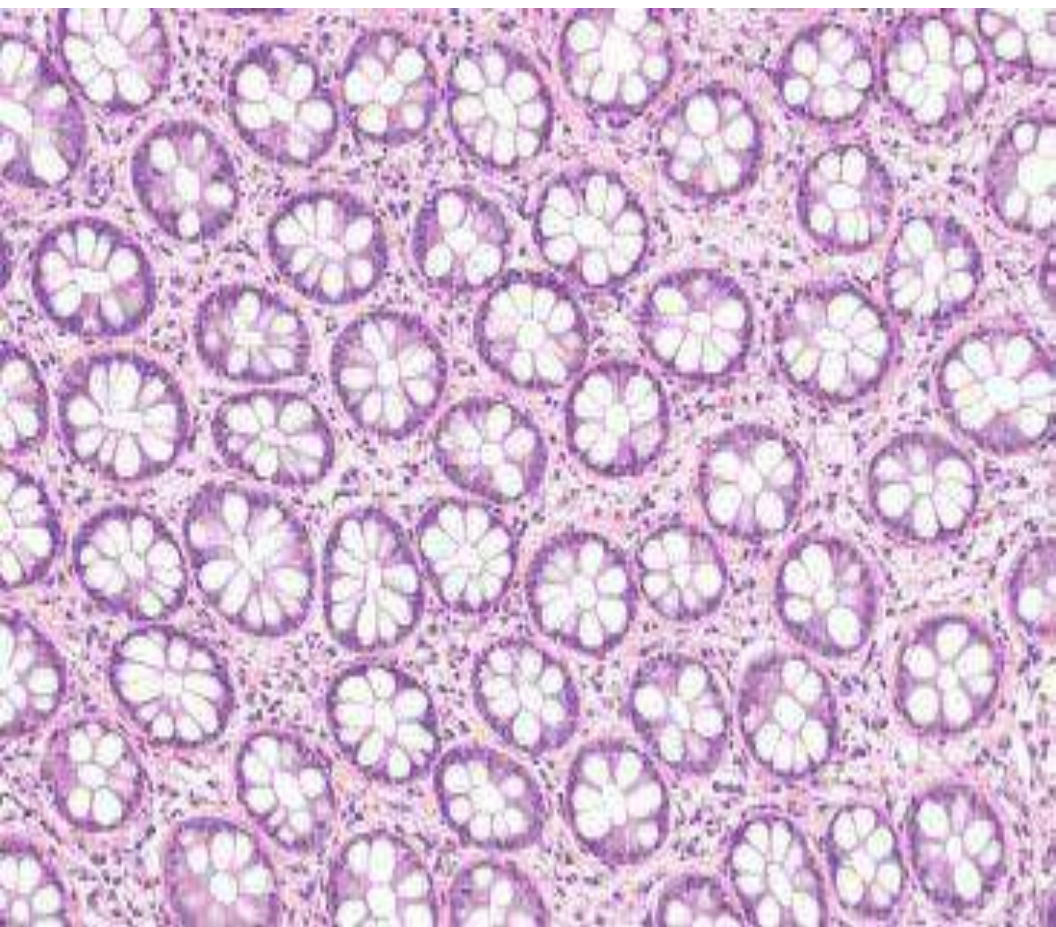


Cobblestone appearance

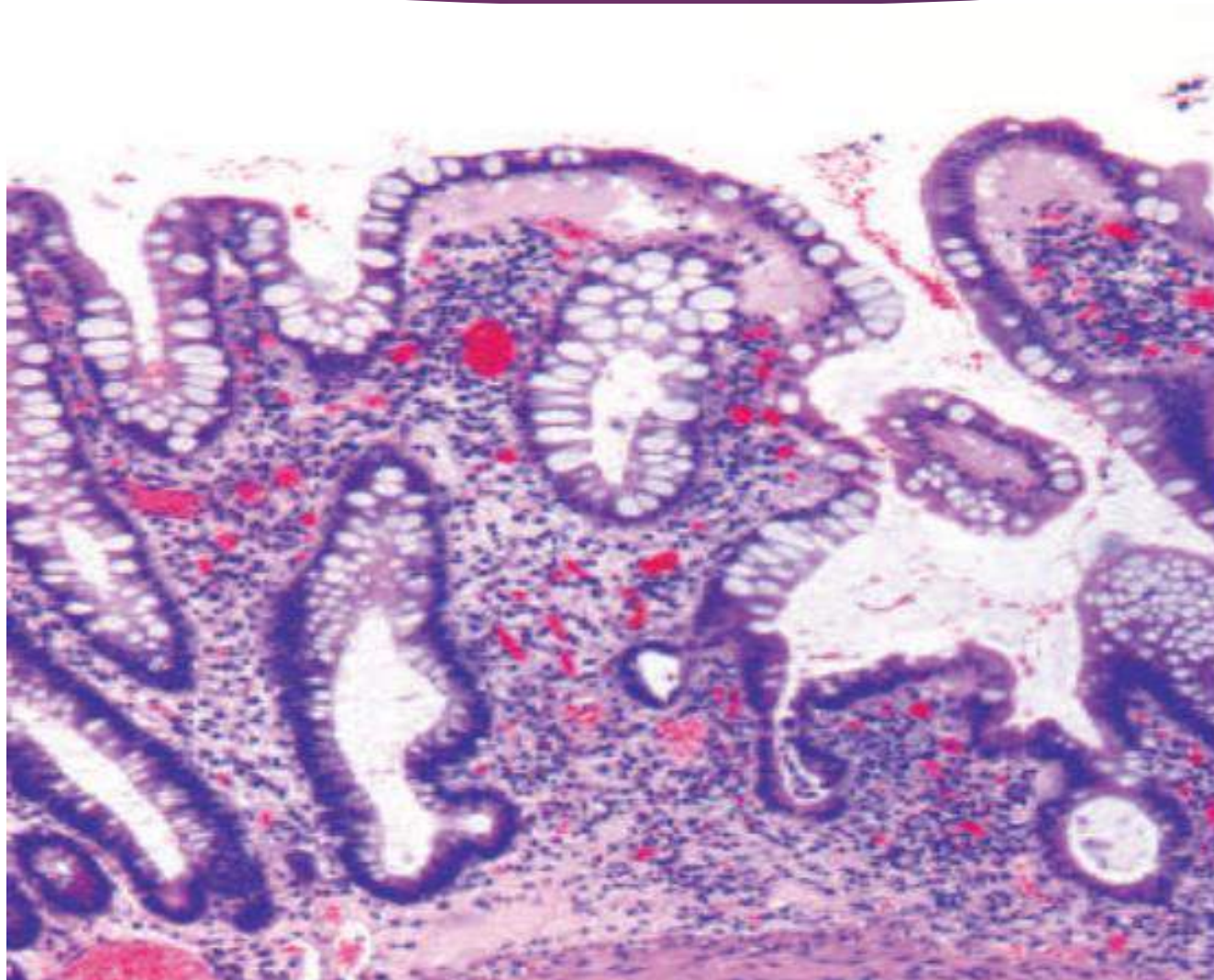




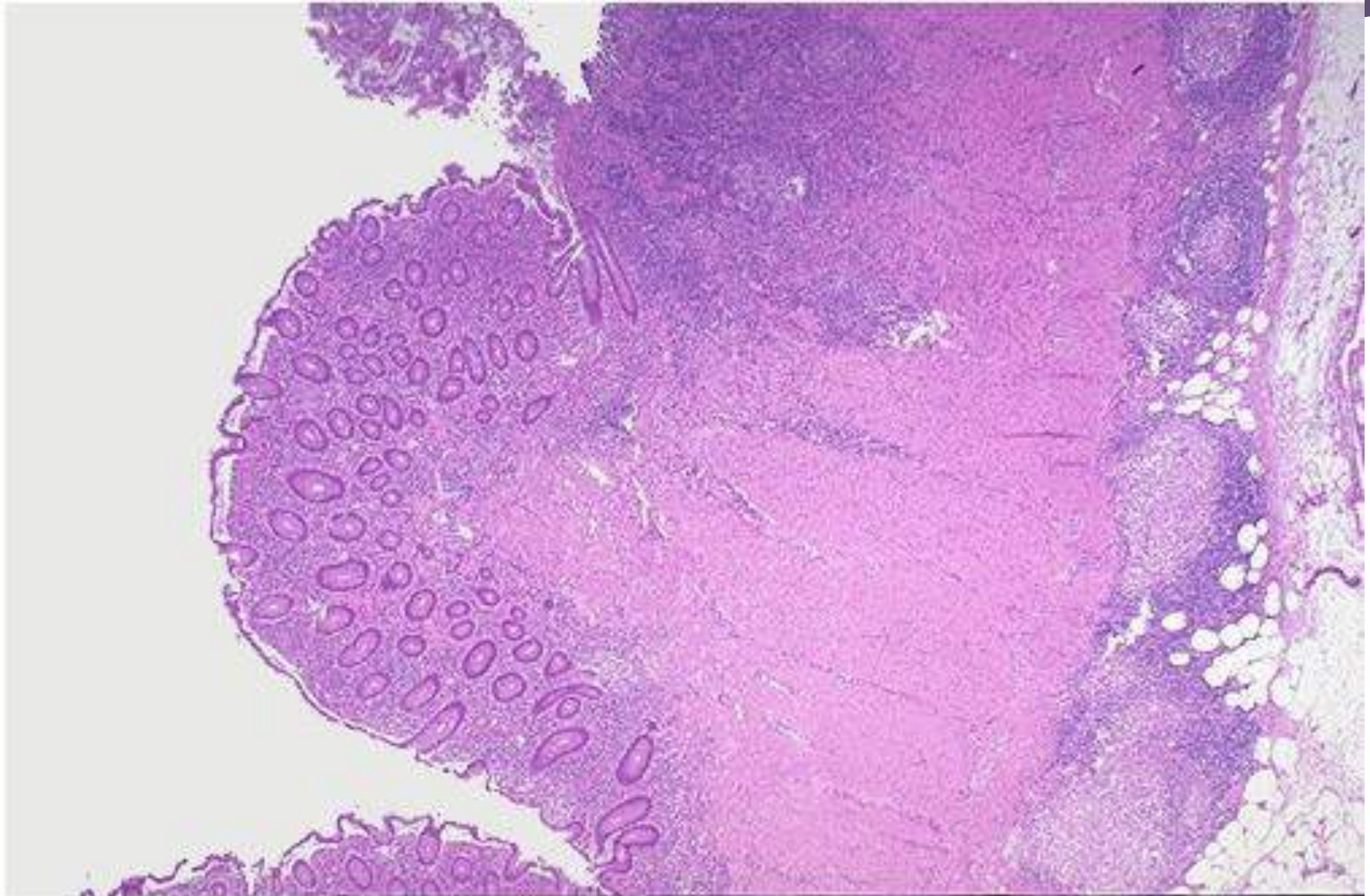
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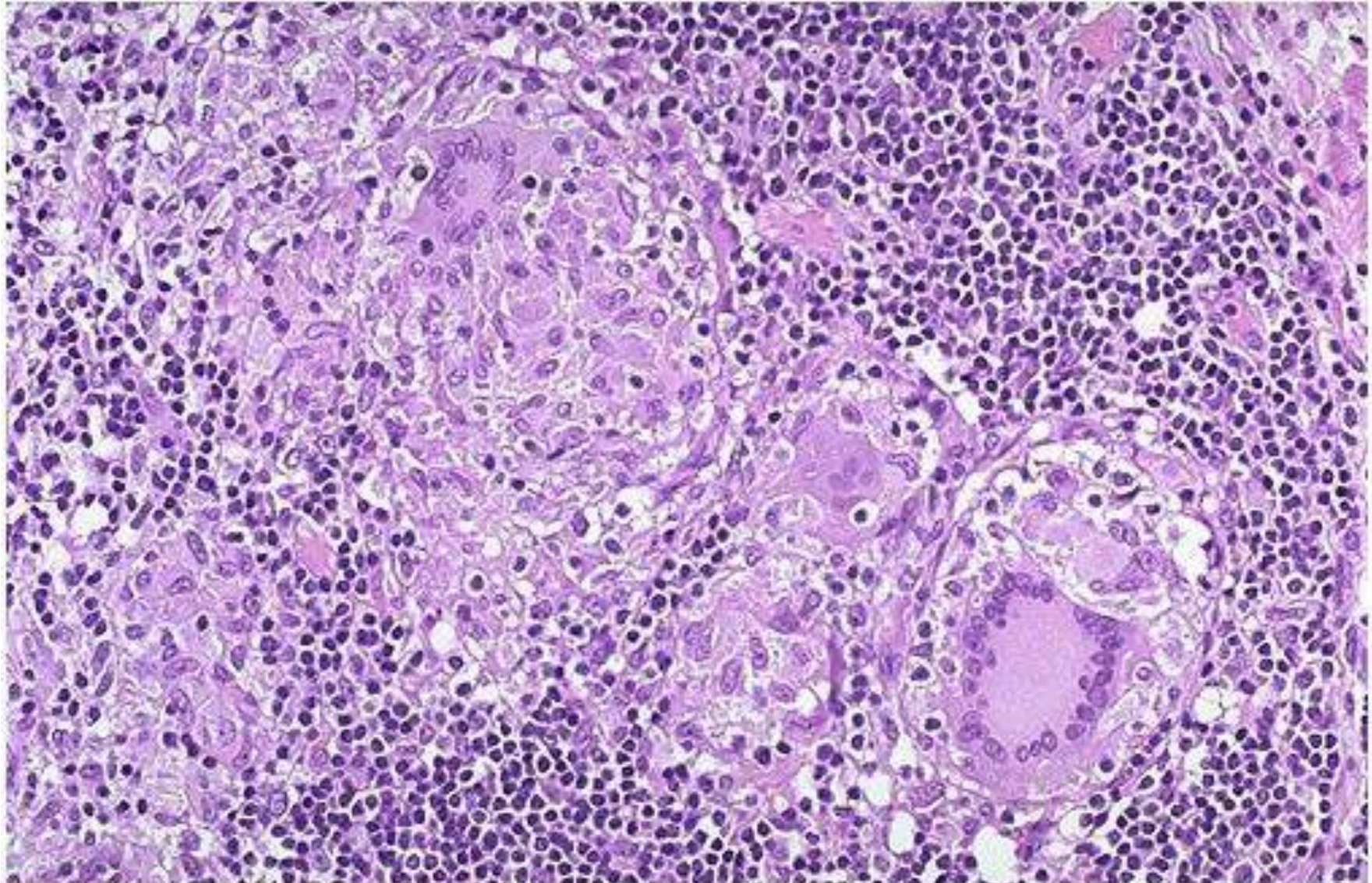
Haphazardly arranged crypts



Transmural inflammation.



Non-caseating granuloma.



Erythema nodosum

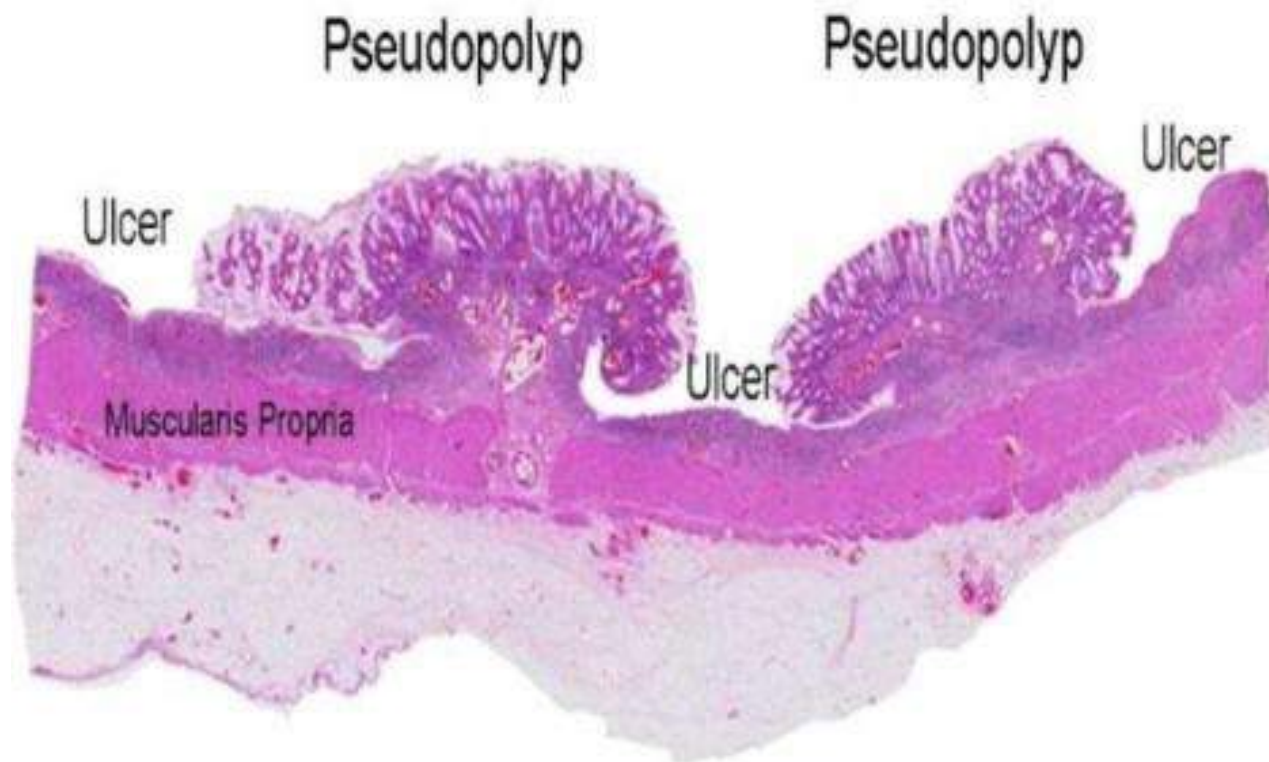


Neurology

Clubbing



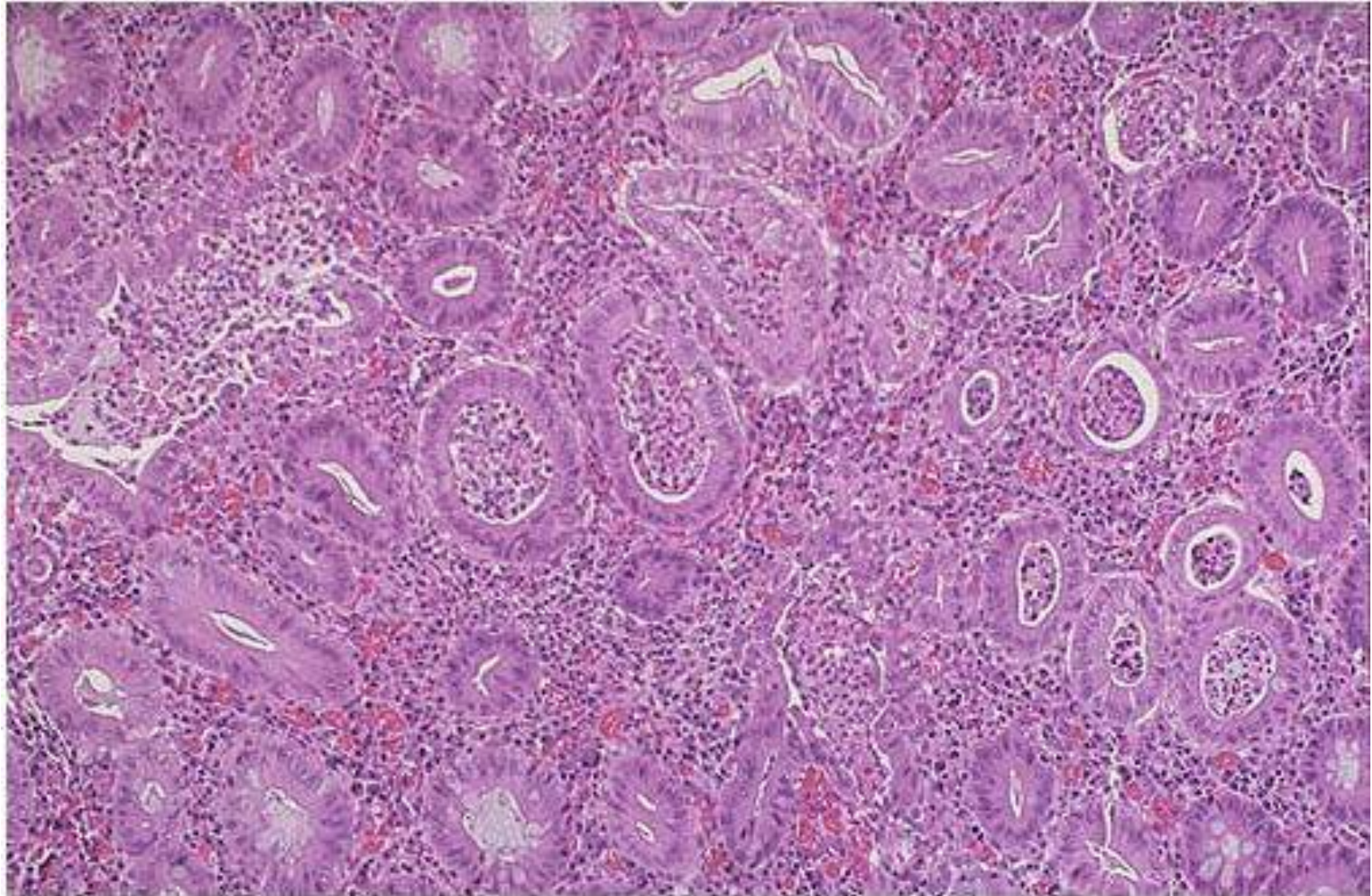
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Toxic megacolon



Crypt abscesses.



Mucopurulent material and
ulcers.



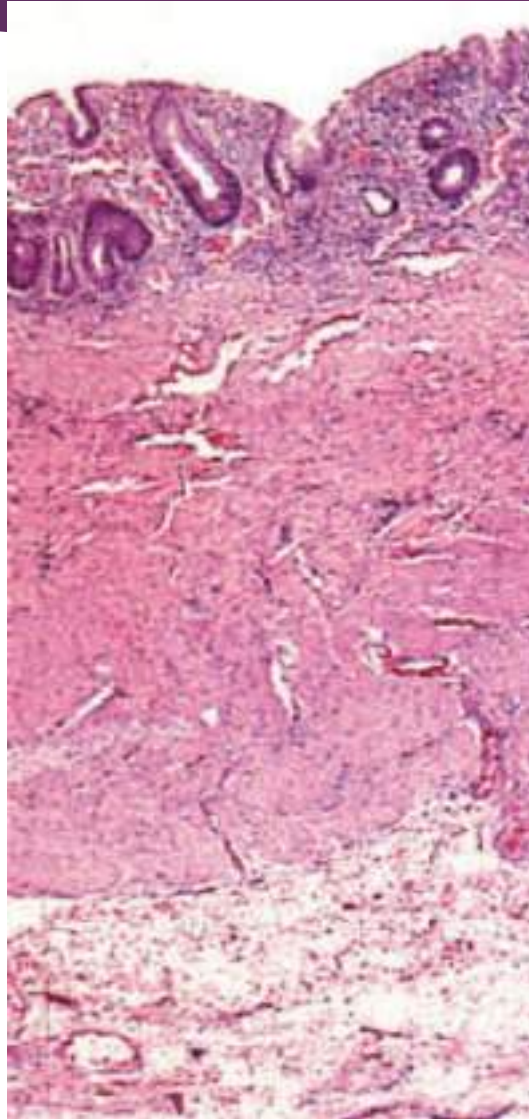
Pancolitis.



Abrupt transition b/w normal
and disease segment.



Limited to mucosa



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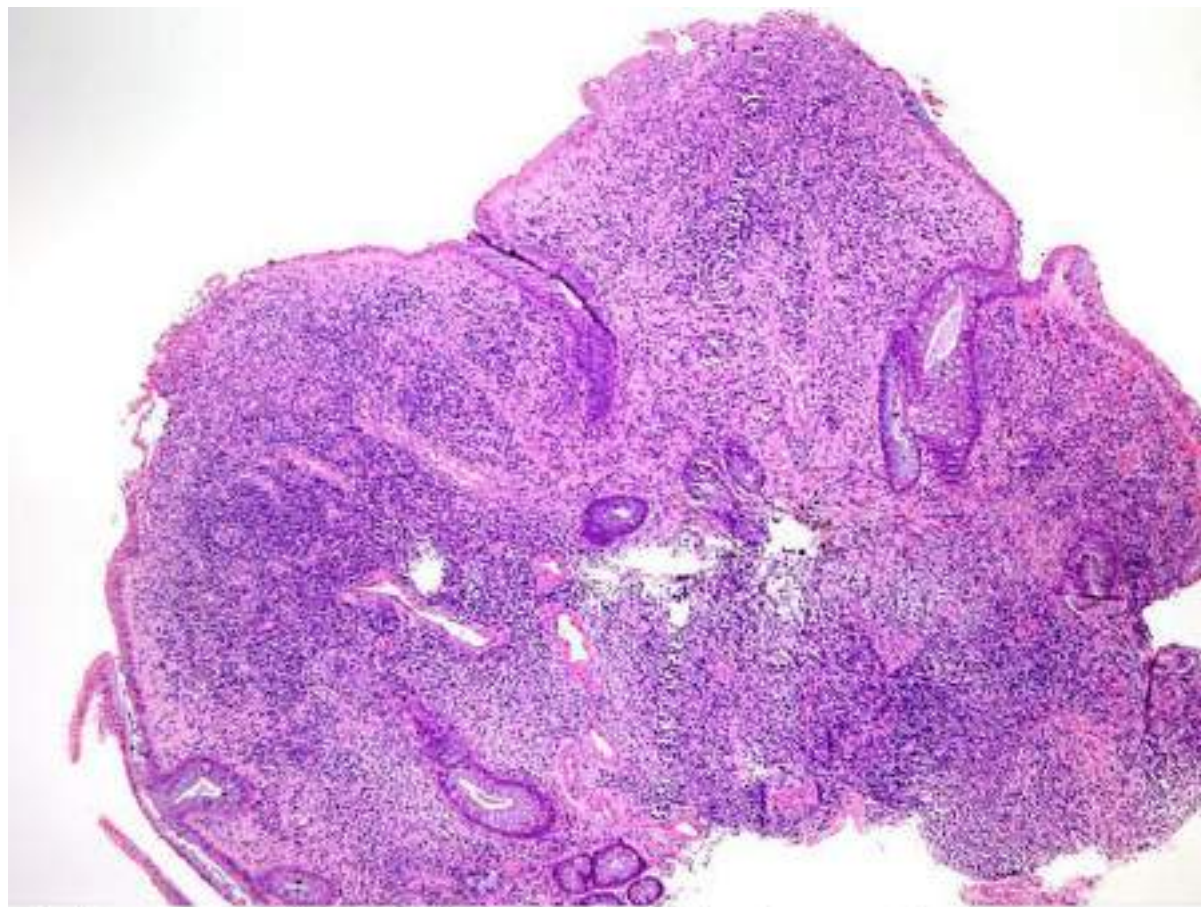
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4x: low power, dense inflammation in lamina propria

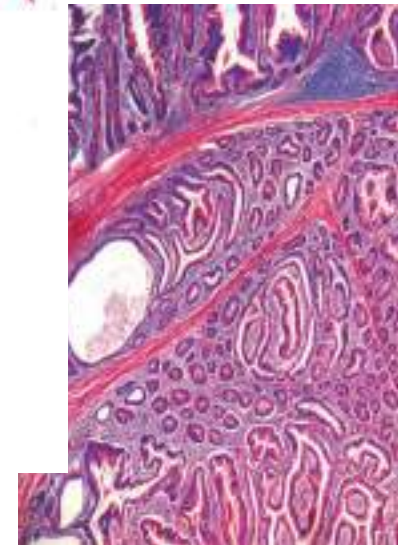
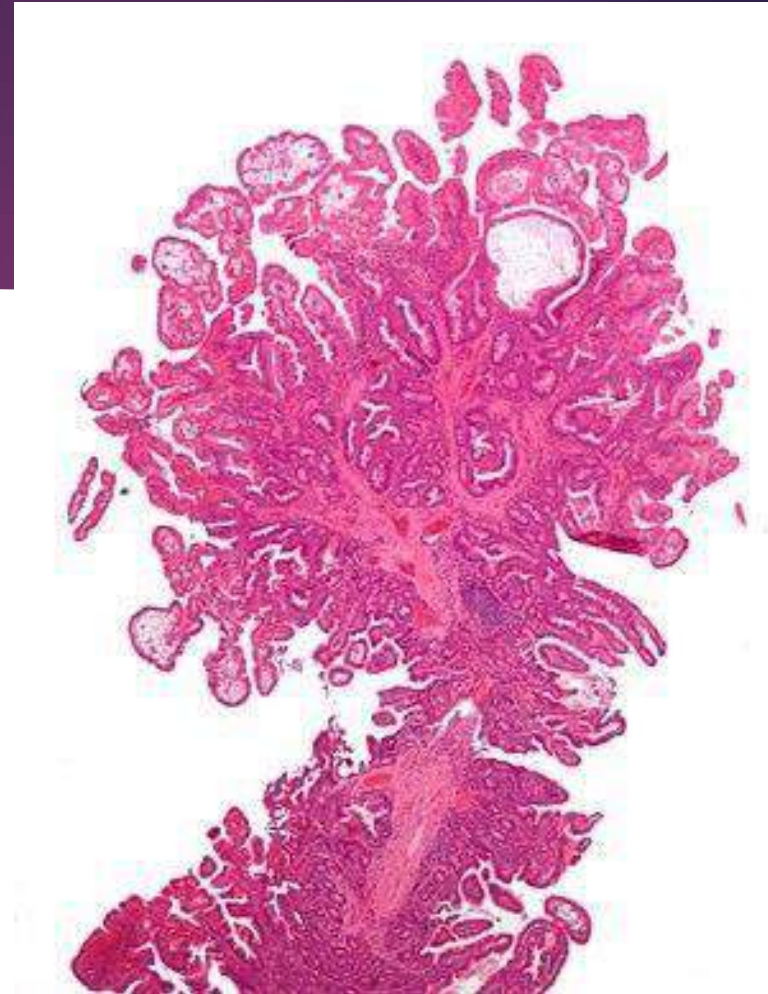
Juvenile Polyps

- ▶ Pedunculated
- ▶ Reddish lesions
- ▶ Cystic spaces on cut sections
- ▶ Dilated glands filled with mucin and inflammatory debris.
- ▶ Granulation tissue on surface.



Peutz-Jeghers polyp

- ▶ Large.
- ▶ Arborizing network of connective tissue, smooth muscle, lamina propria
- ▶ Glands lined by normal-appearing intestinal epithelium
- ▶ Christmas tree pattern.

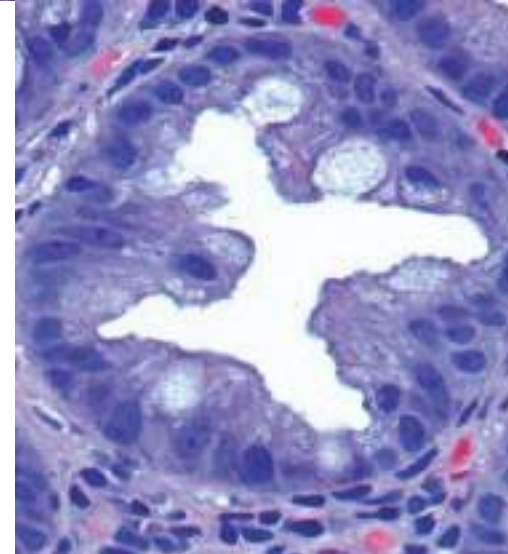
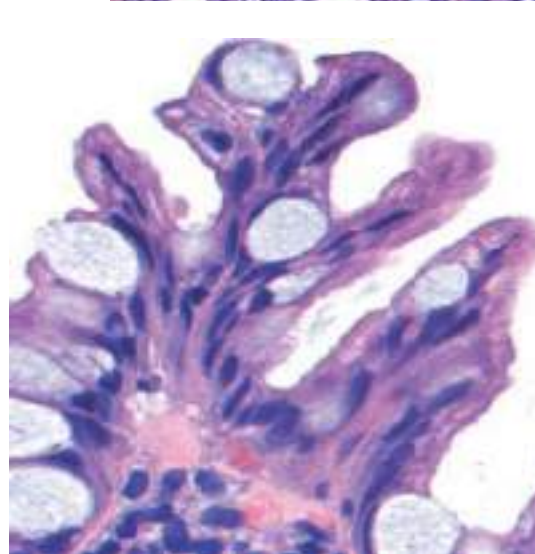
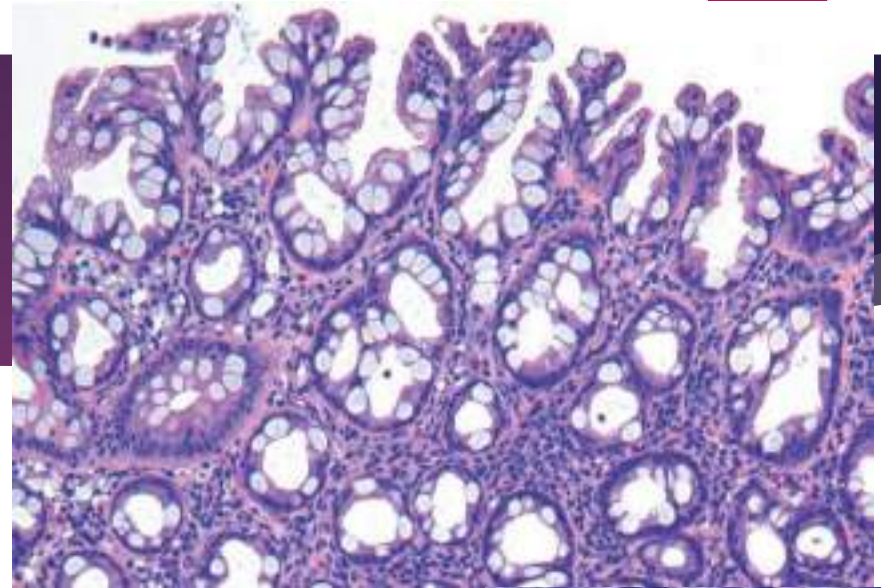


Mucocutaneous pigmentation

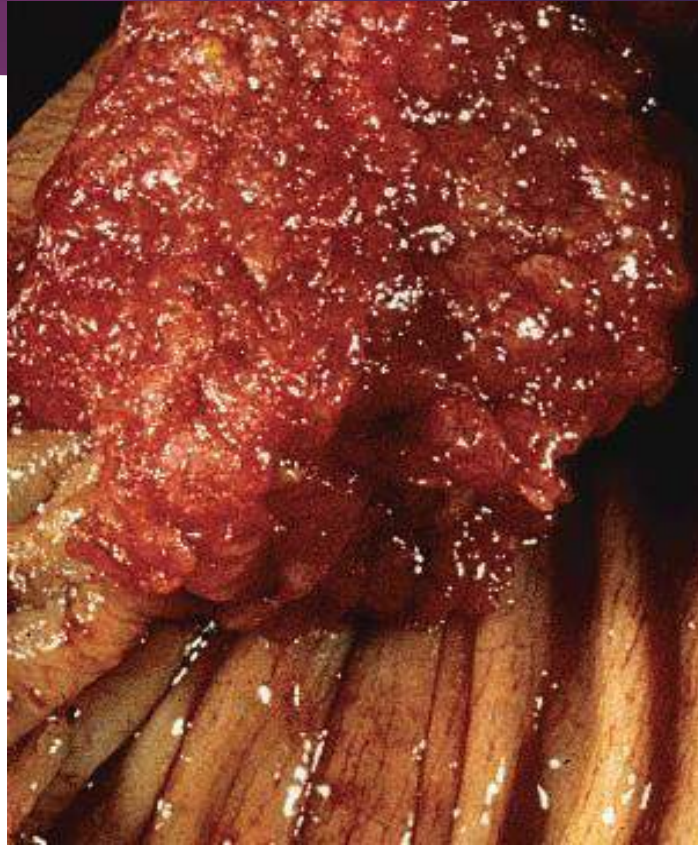


Hyperplastic polyp

- ▶ Left colon
- ▶ Rectosigmoid.
- ▶ Small < 5 mm
- ▶ Multiple
- ▶ Crowding of goblet & absorptive cells.

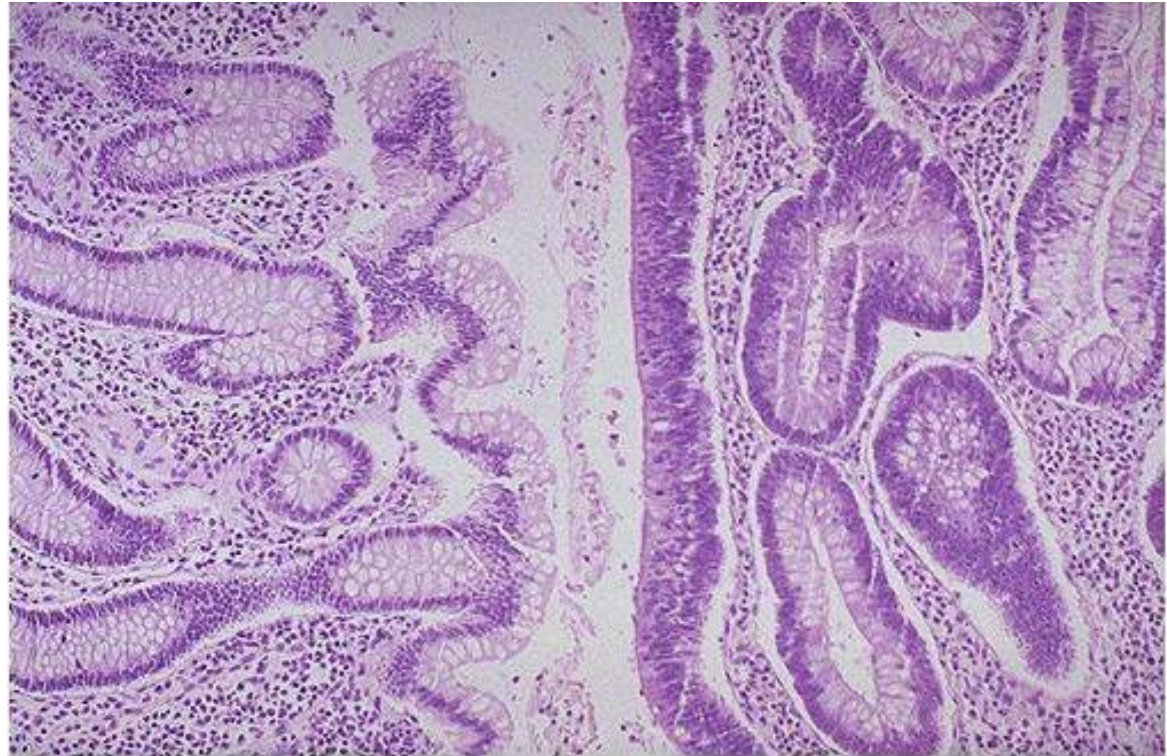


Pedunculated or sessile

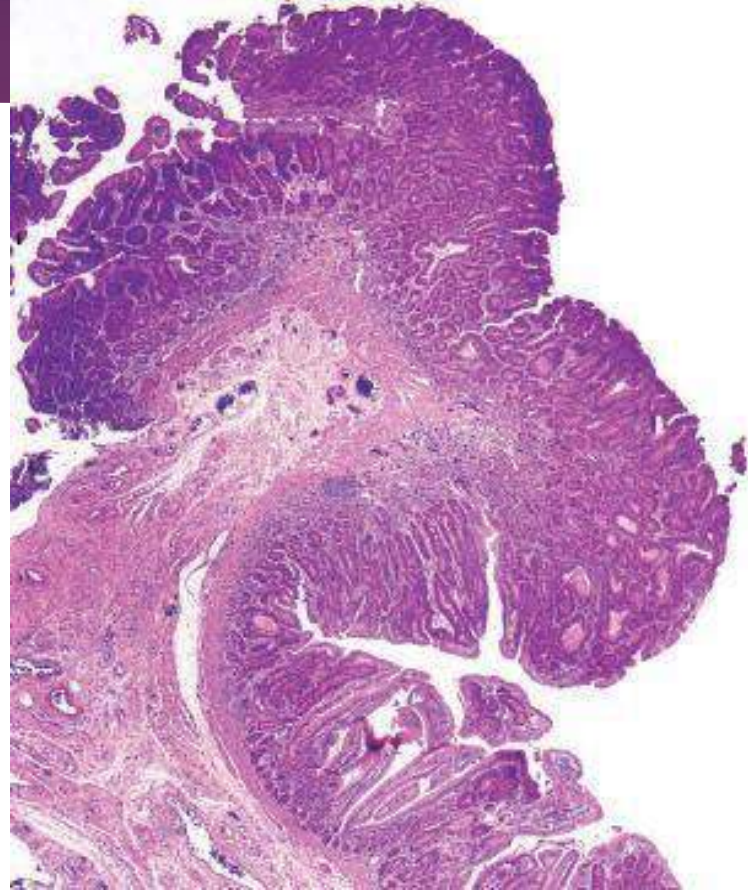
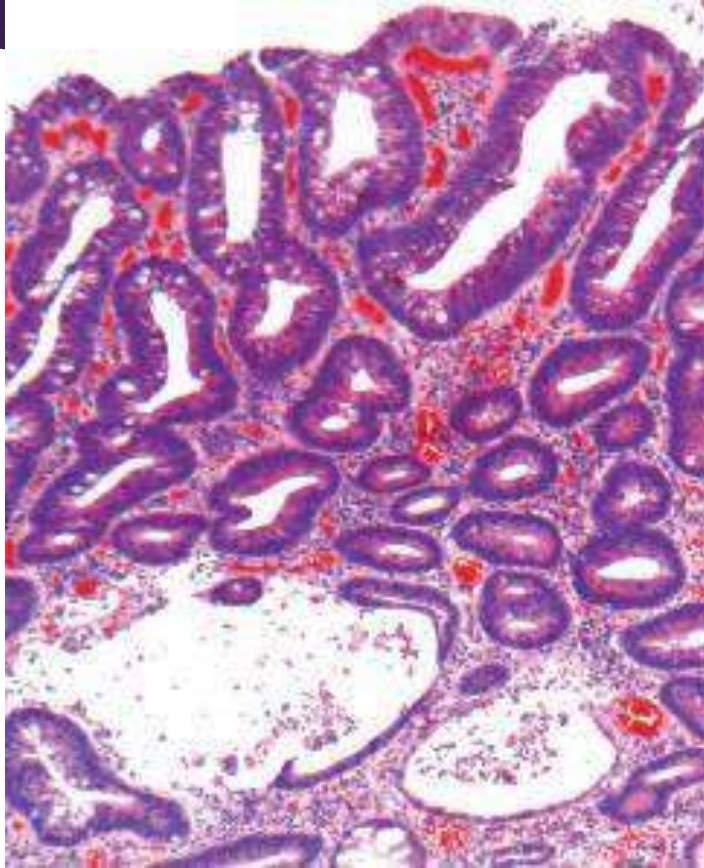


Colon adenoma

- ▶ **Hallmark: epithelial dysplasia**
- ▶ **Dysplasia:** nuclear hyperchromasia, elongation, stratification, high N/C ratio.
- ▶ **Size :** most important correlate with risk for malignancy
- ▶ **High-grade dysplasia** is the second factor

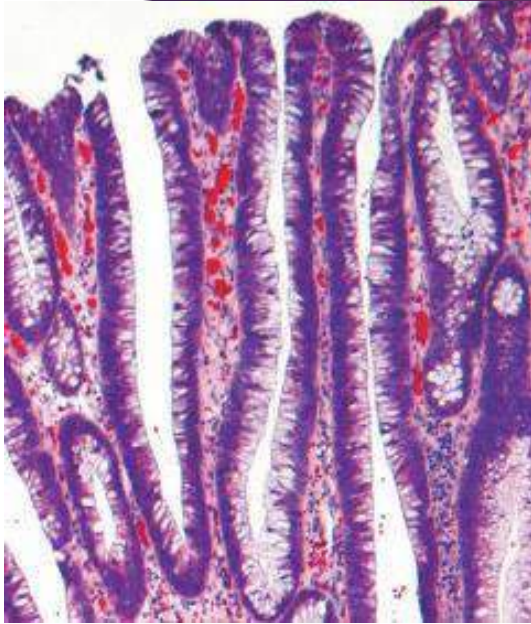


Tubular adenoma





Villous adenoma.

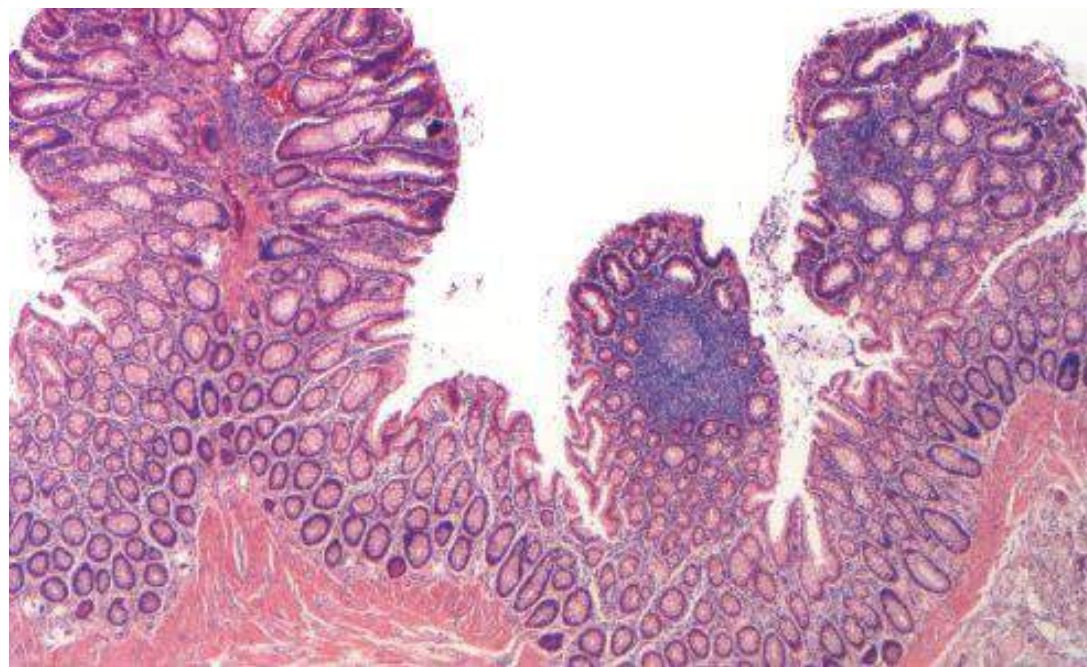


- ▶ Long slender villi.
- ▶ More frequent invasive foci
- ▶ **Architecture:**
- ▶ Tubular.
- ▶ Tubulovillous.
- ▶ Villous.

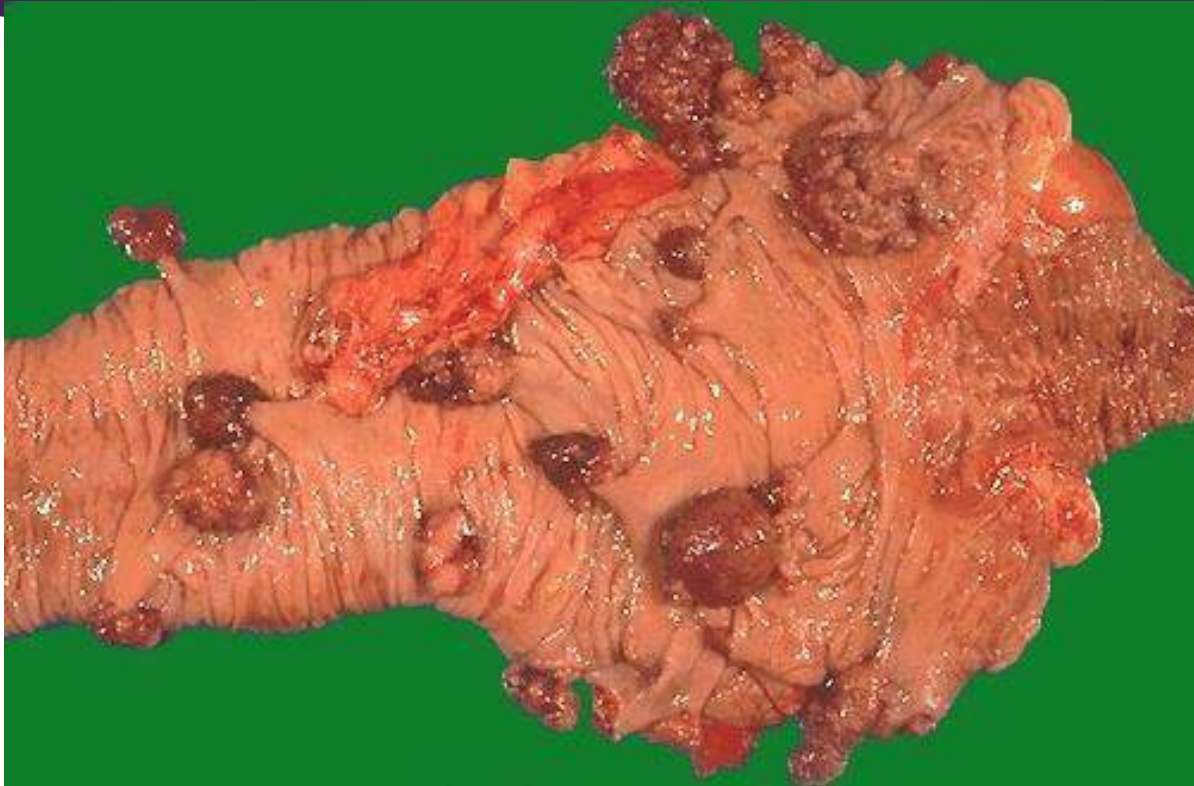
Villous adenoma



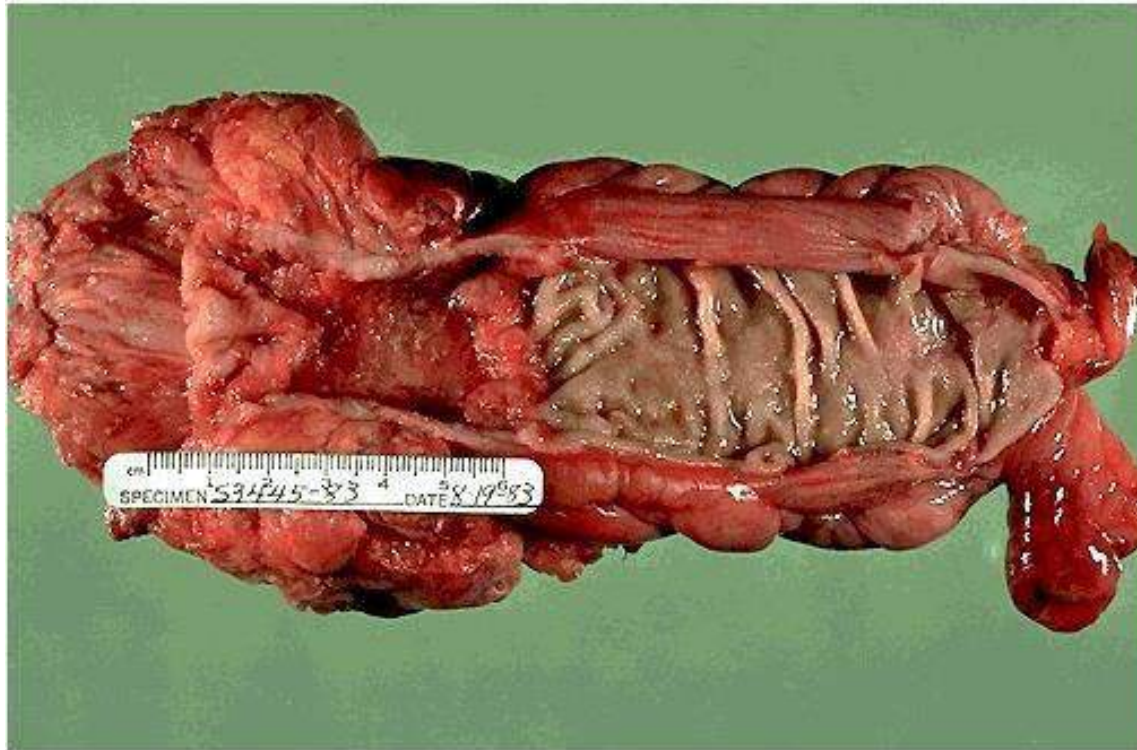




Cecal polyps in HNPPCC.



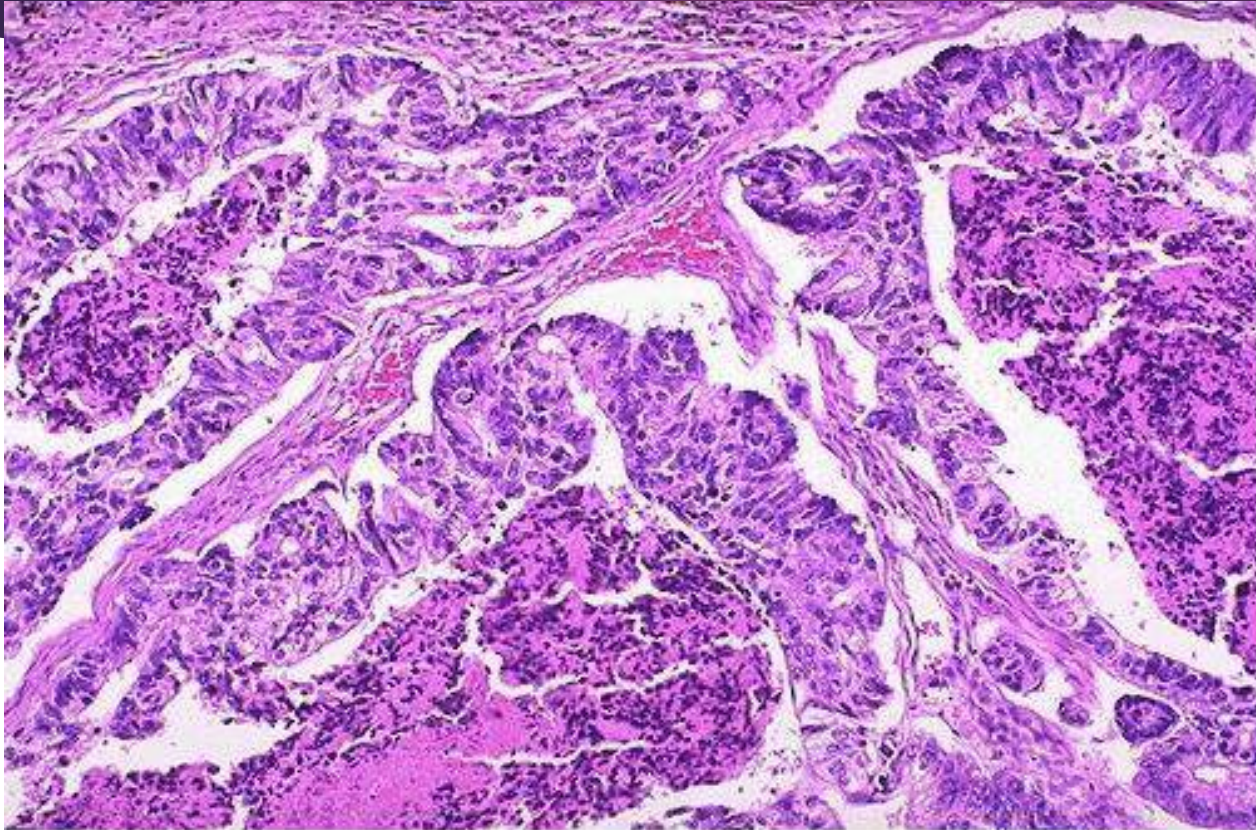
Rectosigmoid adenocarcinoma, napkin ring



Exophytic adenocarcinoma



Adenocarcinoma with necrosis



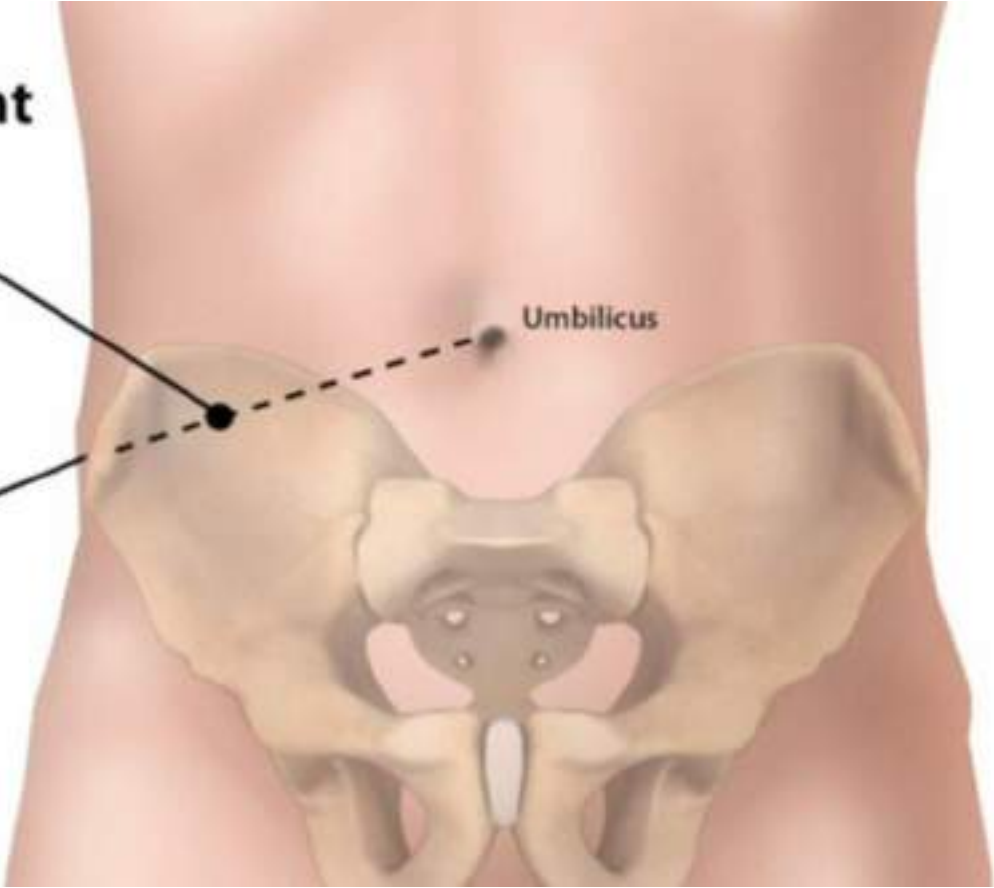
Liver metastasis.





McBurney's Point

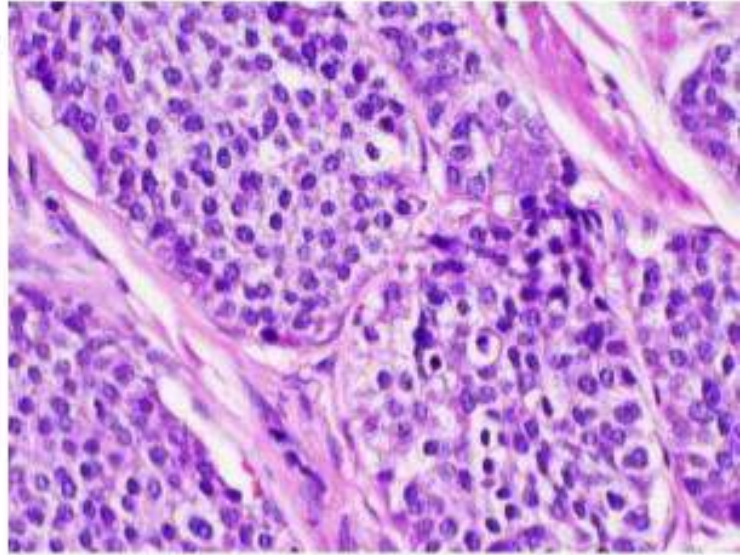
2/3 of the way from
umbilicus to ASIS



Carcinoid tumor



Gross



Microscopic

PATHOLOGY OF LIVER I

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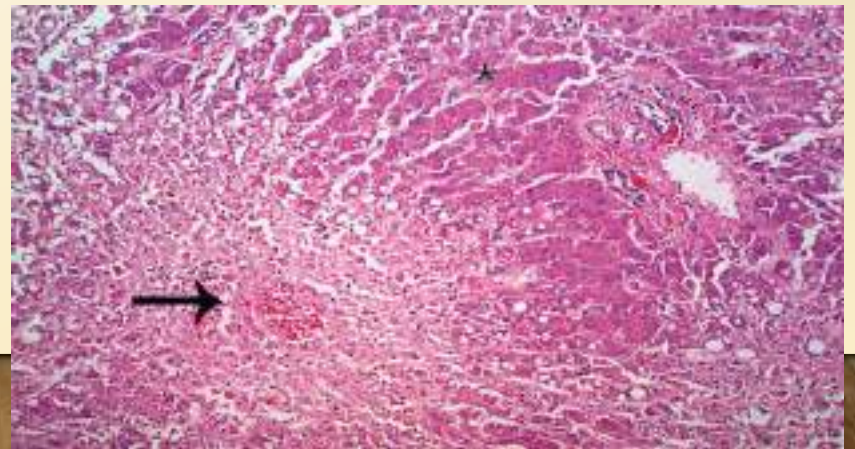
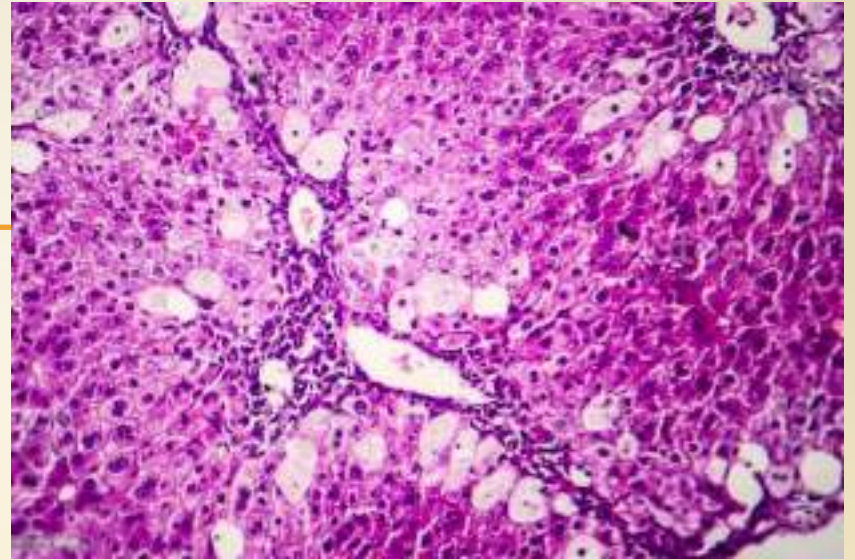
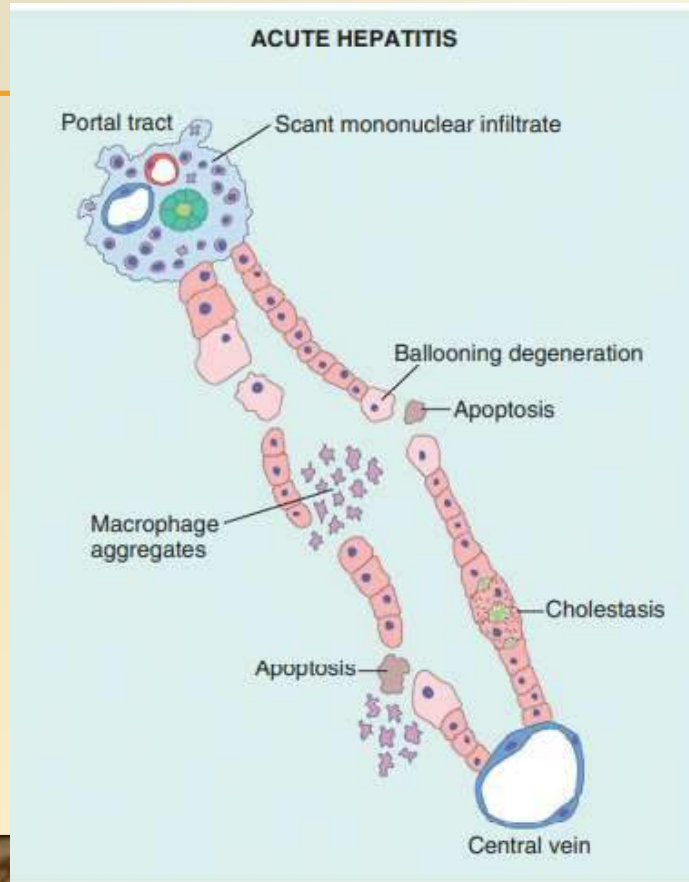
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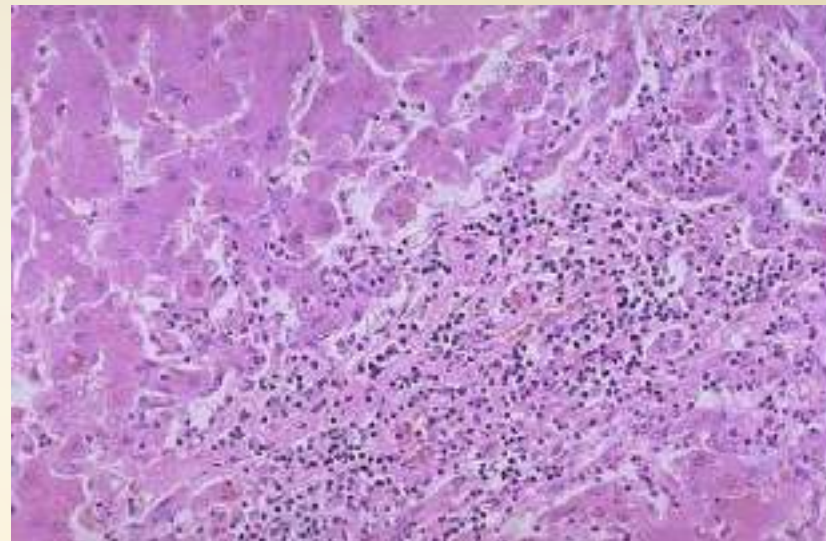
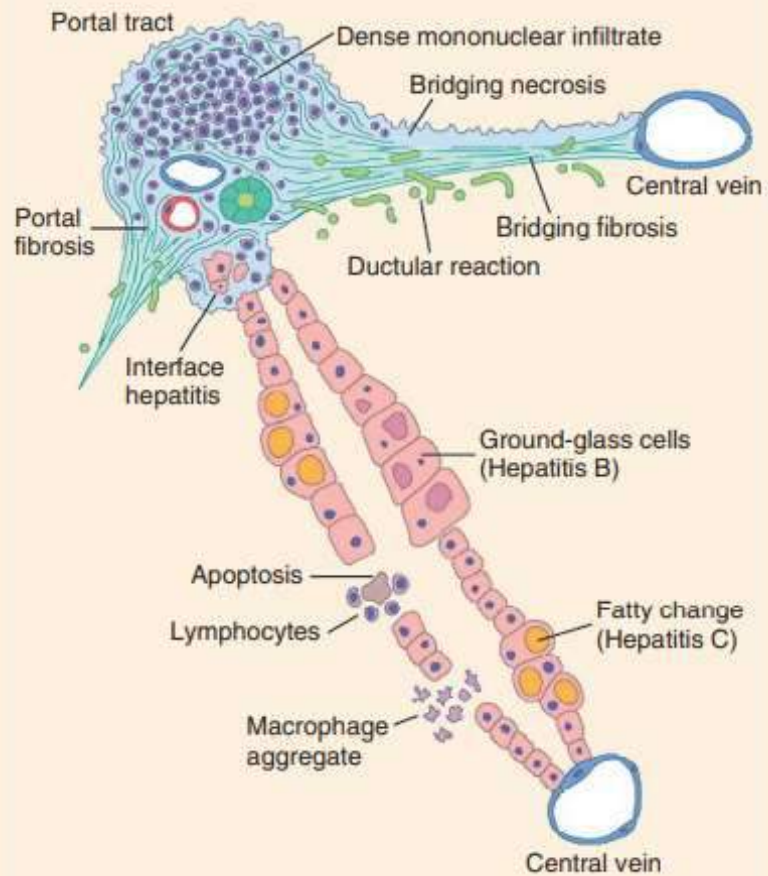
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III. BIOPSY.



CHRONIC HEPATITIS



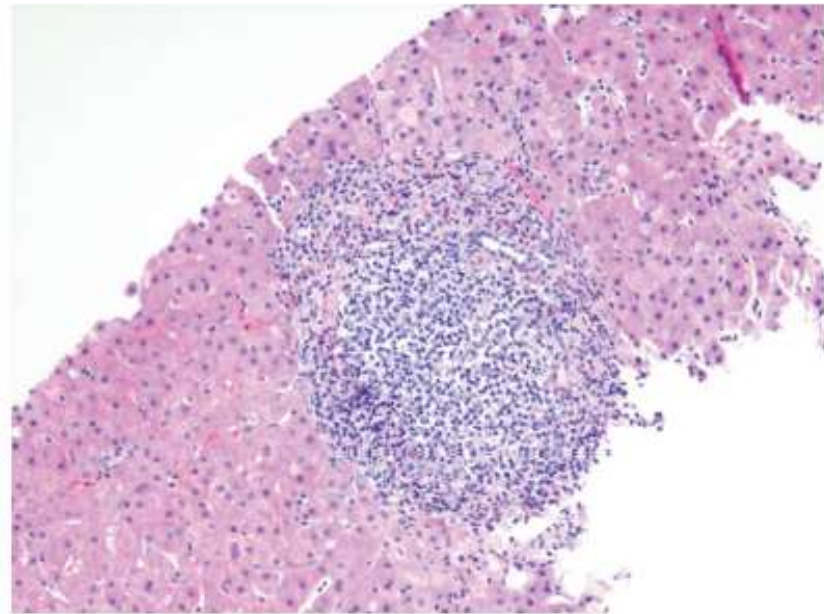


Fig. 16.15 Chronic viral hepatitis due to HCV, showing characteristic portal tract expansion by a dense lymphoid infiltrate.

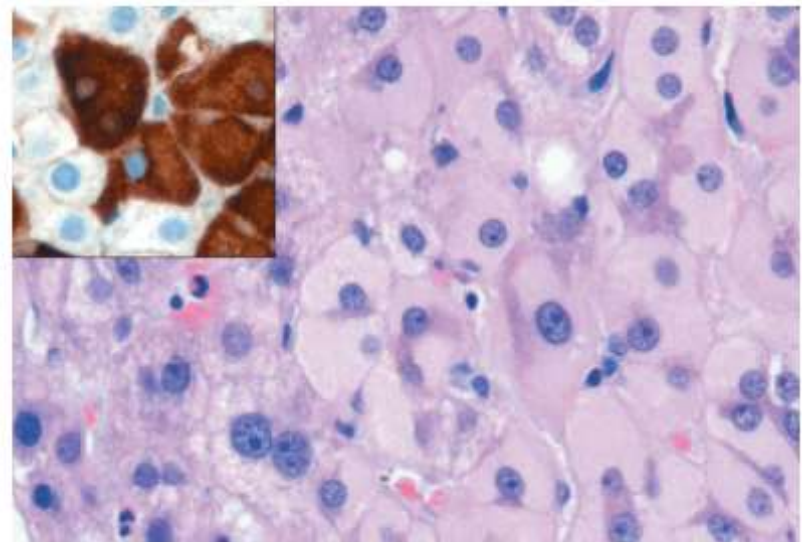
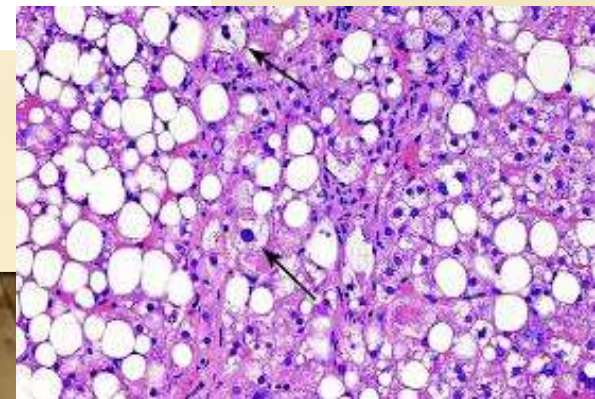
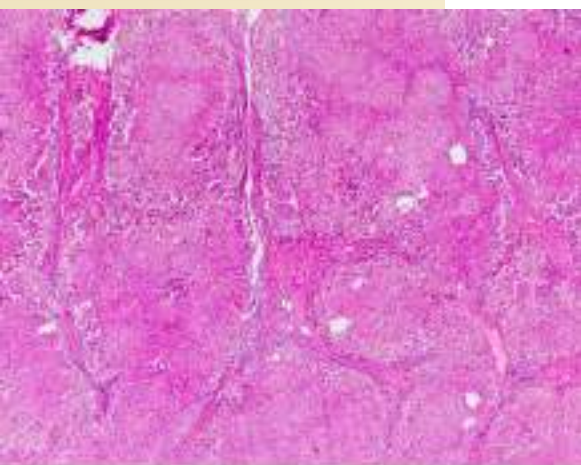
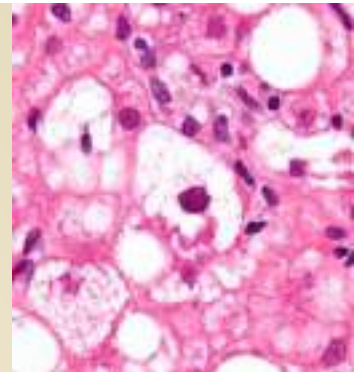
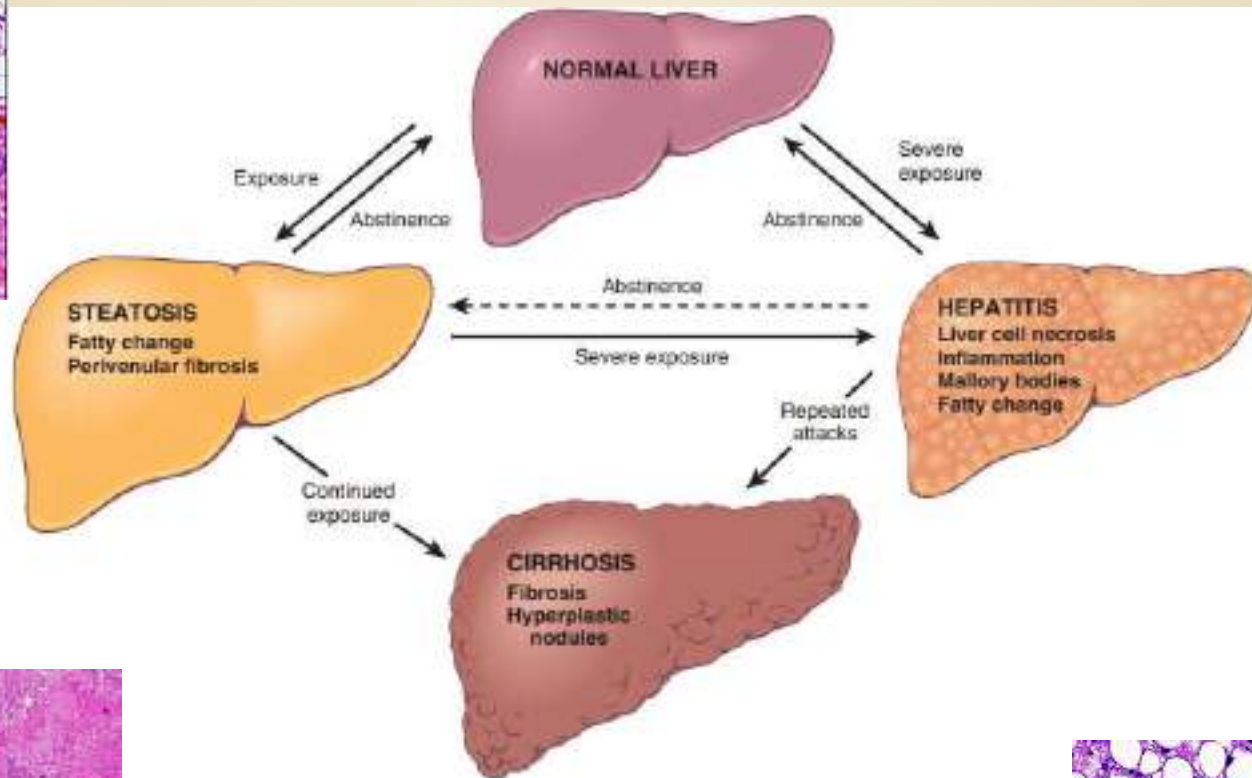
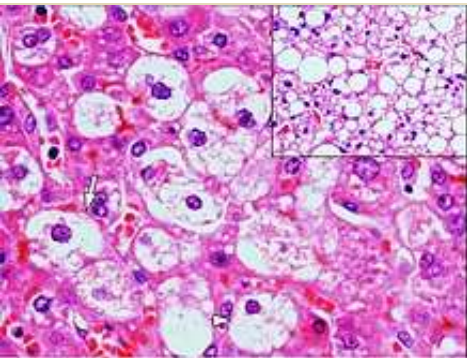
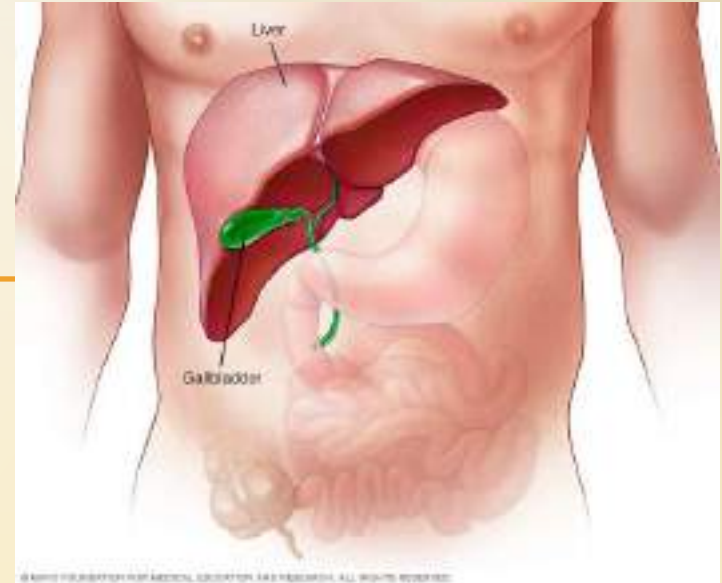


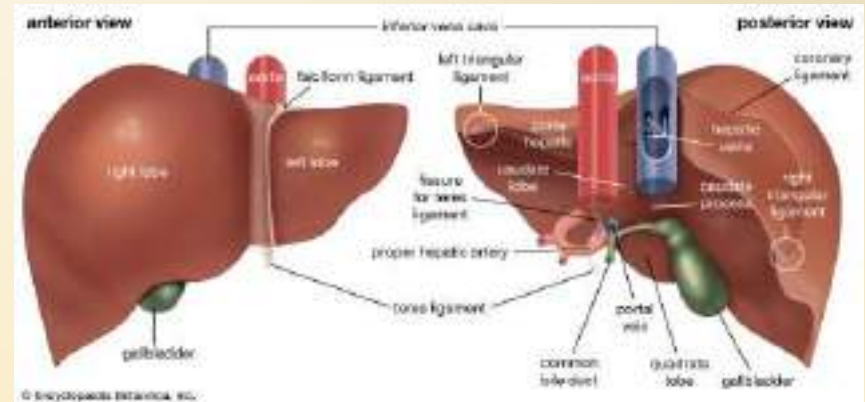
Fig. 16.14 Ground-glass hepatocytes in chronic hepatitis B, caused by accumulation of hepatitis B surface antigen. Hematoxylin-eosin staining shows the presence of abundant, finely granular pink cytoplasmic inclusions; immunostaining (*inset*) with a specific antibody confirms the presence of surface antigen (*brown*).



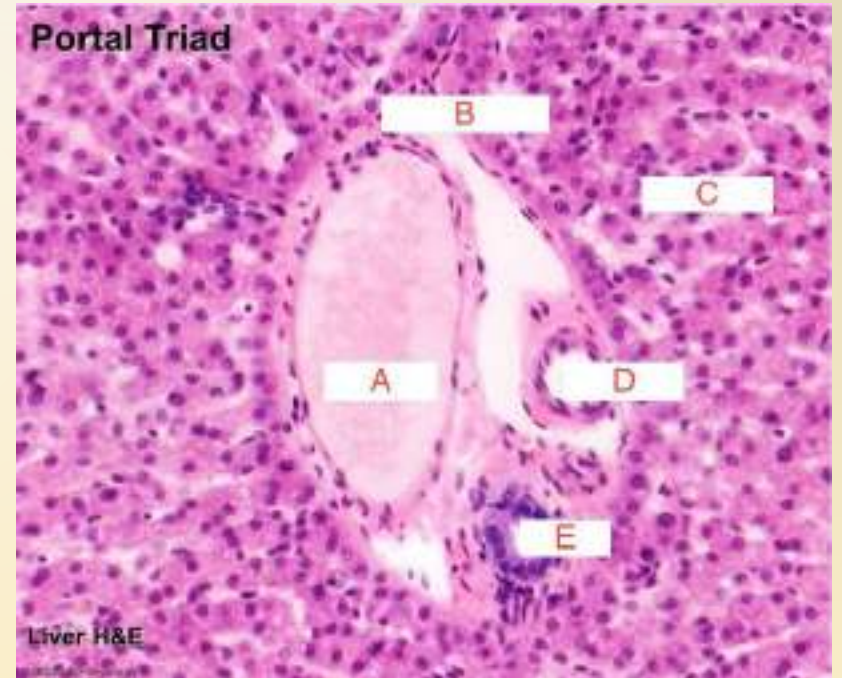
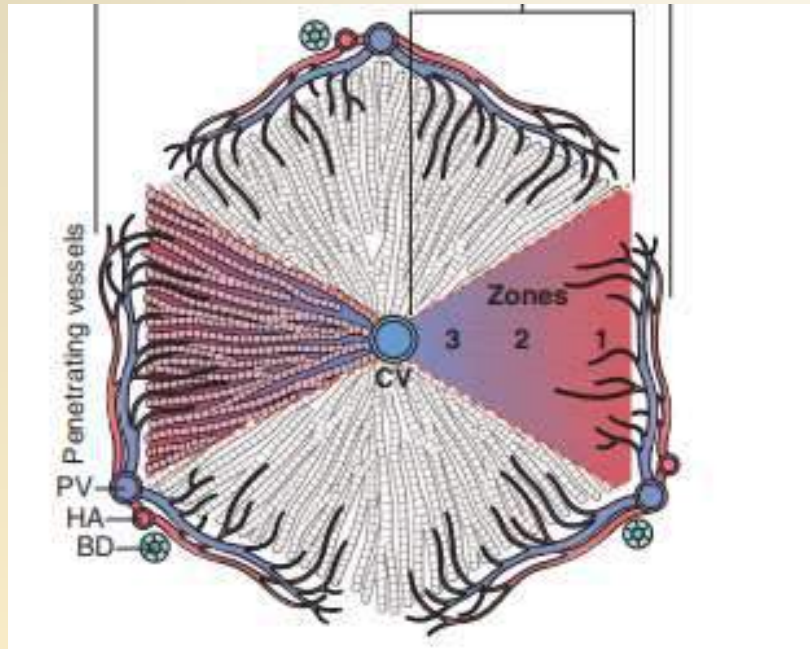
CIRRHOSIS AND CHOLESTASIS

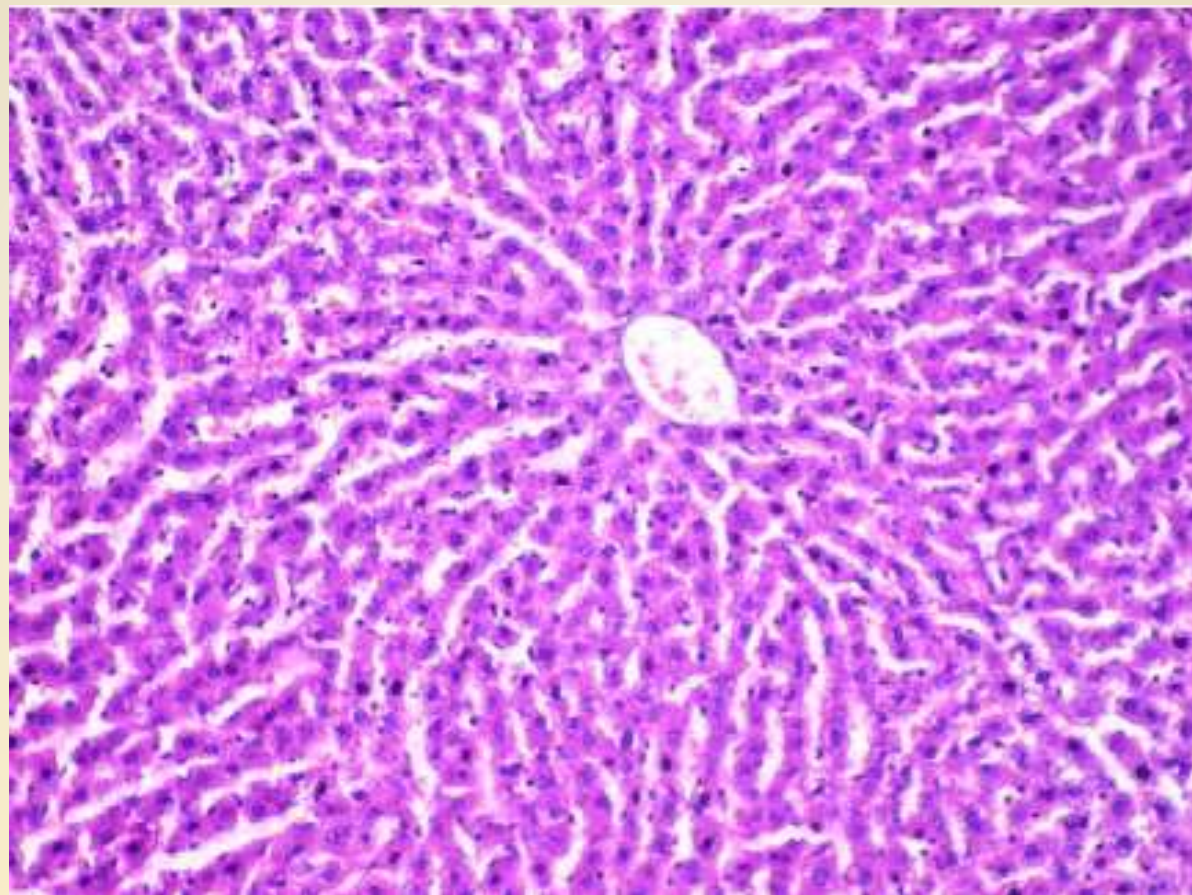


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Models of liver anatomy





CIRRHOSIS

- Cirrhosis is the morphologic change most often associated with chronic liver disease; it refers to the diffuse transformation of the liver into regenerative parenchymal nodules surrounded by fibrous bands.
- The leading causes include:
 - chronic hepatitis B, C.
 - non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD).
 - alcoholic liver disease
 - Drug induced liver injury
 - Cryptogenic (idiopathic) cirrhosis



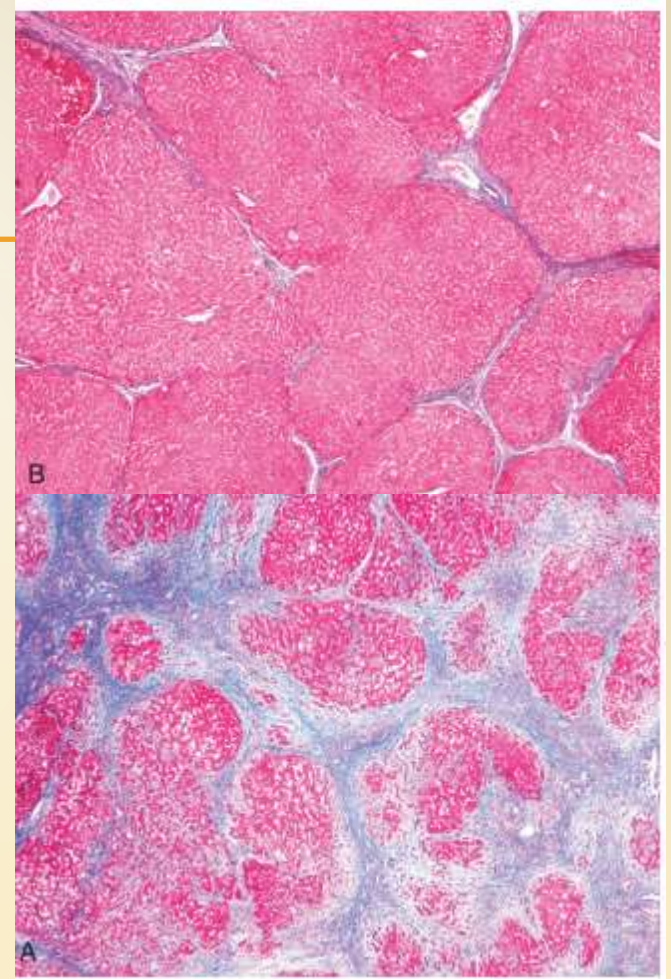
DIAGNOSIS

- 1. Liver function test.
- 2. Radiology.
- 3. Biopsy



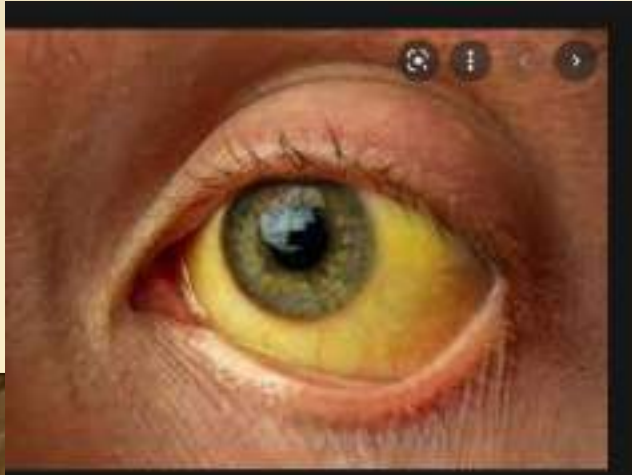
HISTOPATHOLOGY

- *diffuse transformation of the entire liver into regenerative parenchymal nodules surrounded by fibrous bands.
- * ductular reactions.
- * (Masson trichrome stain) highlights these fibrous septa.



CLINICAL FEATURES

- 1. 40% of individuals with cirrhosis are asymptomatic until the most advanced stages of the disease.
- 2. Non specific symptoms such as anorexia, weight loss, weakness.
- 3. signs and symptoms of liver failure e.g Jaundice, encephalopathy, and coagulopathy.
- 4. Pruritus, portal hypertention (intrahepatic vascular resistance).



5. Hyperestrogenemia:

- due to impaired estrogen metabolism in male patients with chronic liver failure can give rise to palmar erythema (a reflection of local vasodilatation) and spider angiomas of the skin. Such male hyperestrogenemia also leads to hypogonadism and gynecomastia.
- 6. hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC).



- Patients may have :

- Jaundice.

- Pruritus.

- skin xanthomas (focal accumulation of cholesterol).

- symptoms related to intestinal malabsorption, including nutritional deficiencies of the fat-soluble vitamins A, D, or K.

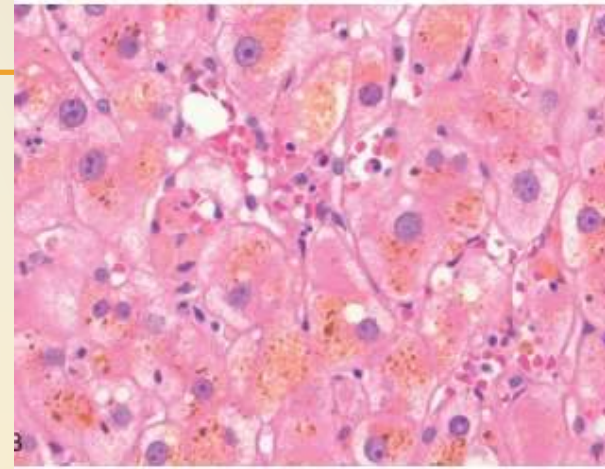
Lab:

elevated serum alkaline phosphatase and
 γ -glutamyl transpeptidase (GGT),



HISTOPATHOLOGY

- accumulation of bile pigment within the hepatic parenchyma.
- Rupture of canaliculi leads to extravasation of bile, which is quickly phagocytosed by Kupffer cells.
- feathery degeneration:
- Droplets of bile pigment accumulate within hepatocytes, give them foamy appearance



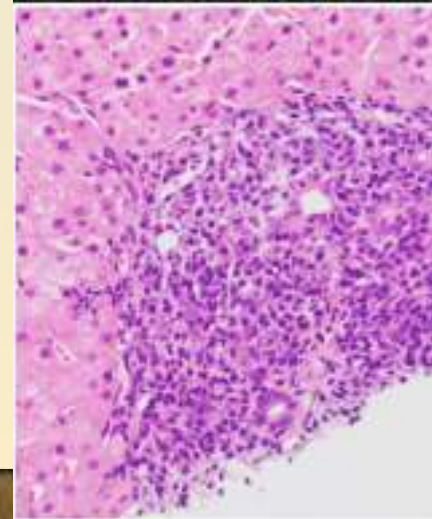
CAUSES:A. BILE DUCT OBSTRUCTION.

- The most common cause of bile duct obstruction in adults is:
 - extrahepatic cholelithiasis.
 - malignant obstructions.
 - postsurgical strictures.
- Obstructive conditions in children include :
 - biliary atresia.
 - cystic fibrosis.
 - choledochal cysts.



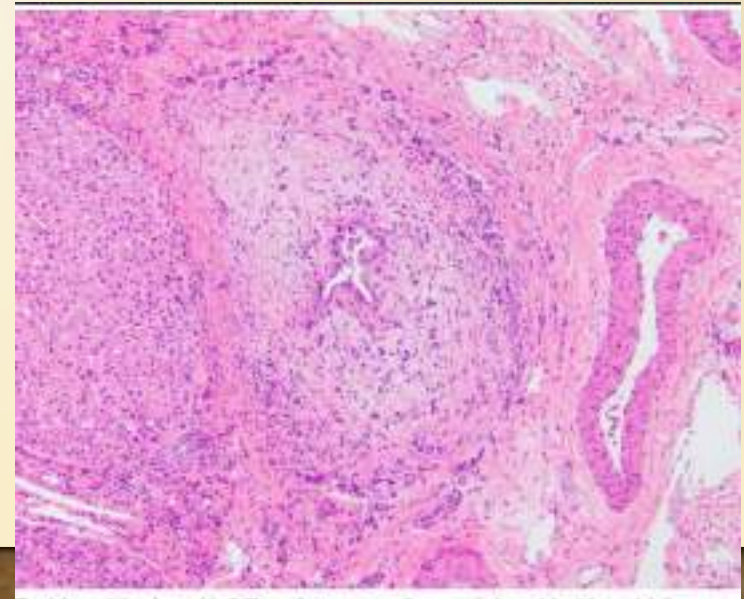
C. PRIMARY BILIARY CHOLANGITIS.

- autoimmune disease (Anti-mitochondrial antibodies) whose primary feature is nonsuppurative, inflammatory destruction of small- and medium-sized intrahepatic bile ducts.
- **Occur in** middle-age women, with a female-to-male ratio of 6:1. Its peak incidence is between 40 and 50 years of age.
- **Histology:**
- Dense lymphocytic infiltrate in portal tracts with granulomatous destruction and loss of medium sized interlobular bile ducts, focal and variable within the liver



D. PRIMARY SCLEROSING CHOLANGITIS

- Primary sclerosing cholangitis (PSC) is characterized by inflammation and obliterative fibrosis of intrahepatic and extrahepatic bile ducts, leading to dilation of preserved segments.
- Classic finding is "onion skin" fibrosis around affected bile ducts



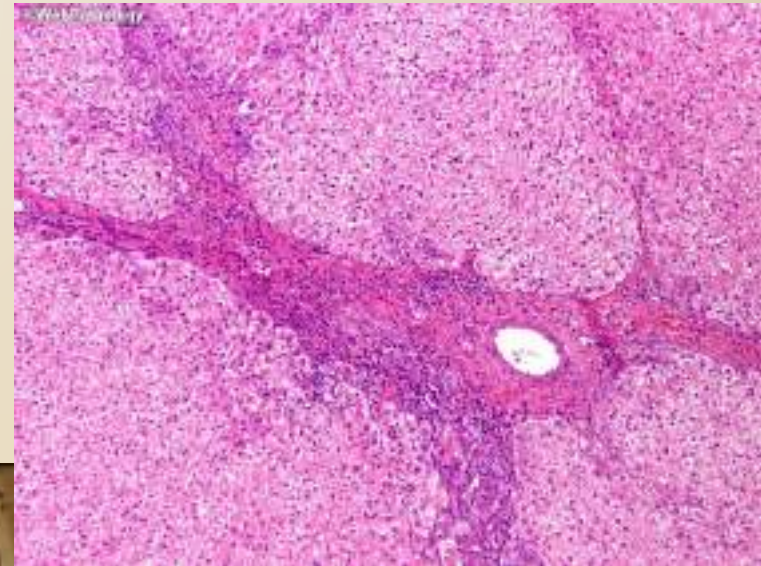
FOCAL NODULAR HYPERPLASIA: GROSS.

- well-demarcated, poorly encapsulated nodule in an otherwise normal liver.
- there is a central gray-white, depressed stellate scar from which fibrous septa radiate to the periphery.



FOCAL NODULAR HYPERPLASIA: MICROSCOPICALLY.

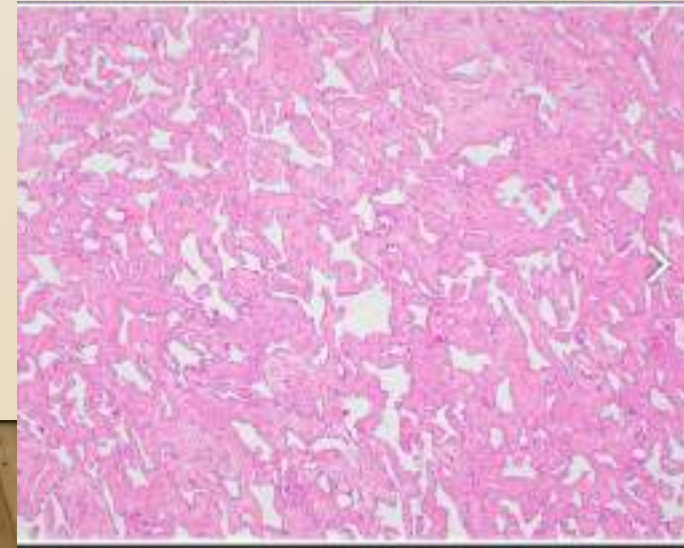
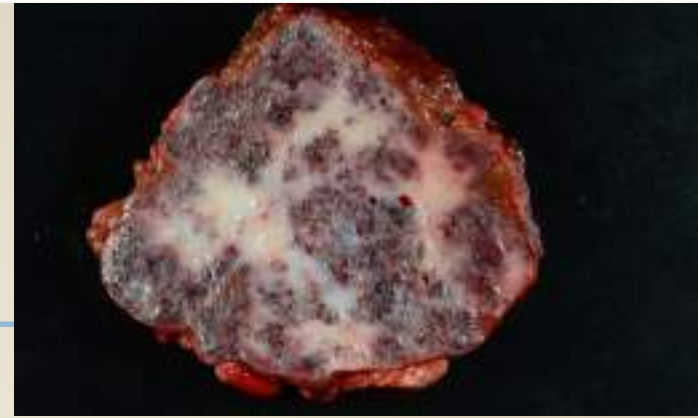
- The central scar contains large abnormal vessels and ductular reactions along the spokes of scar.
- The hyperplastic regions are composed of normal hepatocytes separated by thickened sinusoidal plates



BENIGN NEOPLASMS

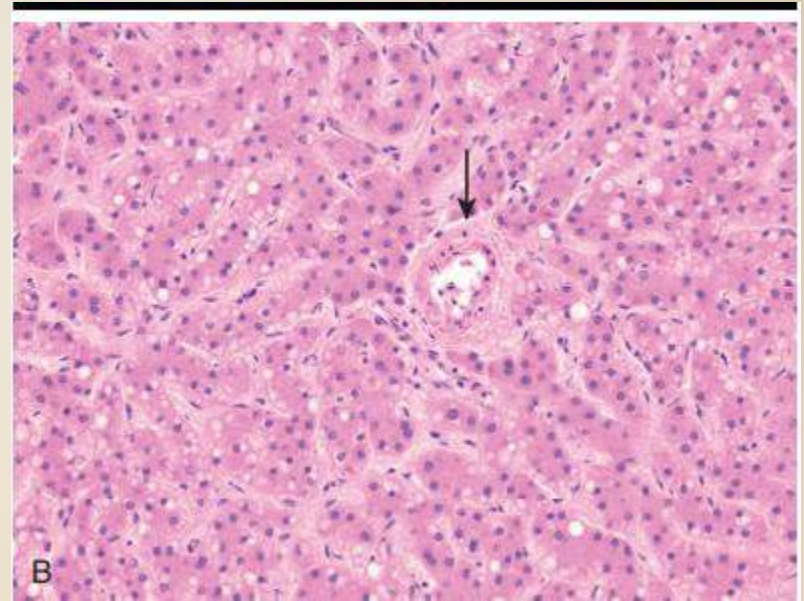
❖ I. Cavernous hemangiomas:

- the most common benign tumor of the liver.
- Vast majority of hemangiomas are asymptomatic and require no intervention.
- **Gross description:**
 - Well circumscribed with red-brown, spongy / honeycombed cut surface
- **Microscopic:**
 - Circumscribed proliferation of variably sized, dilated and thin walled vessels





- solitary well circumscribed uncapsulated lesion.



Microscopic view showing cords of hepatocytes, with an arterial vascular supply (arrow) and no portal tracts.

HEPATOCELLULAR CARCINOMA (HCC)



- Primary malignancy of liver with hepatocellular differentiation.
- 80% of hepatocellular carcinoma cases arise in cirrhosis.
- Risk factors:
 - Chronic liver disease leading to cirrhosis; most common etiologies leading to this include:
 - ✓ chronic viral hepatitis (HBV and HCV).
 - ✓ heavy alcohol consumption.
 - ✓ Metabolic syndrome: obesity, diabetes mellitus, and NAFLD .
 - ✓ toxic injuries (aflatoxin, it synergizes with HBV (and perhaps also with HCV) to increase risk further)..
 - ✓ Inherited disorders, particularly hereditary hemochromatosis and α 1AT deficiency, and to a lesser degree Wilson disease

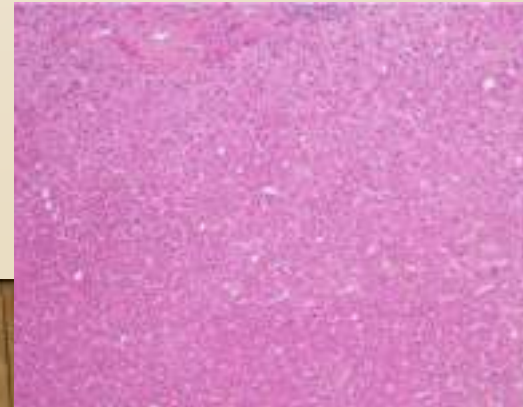
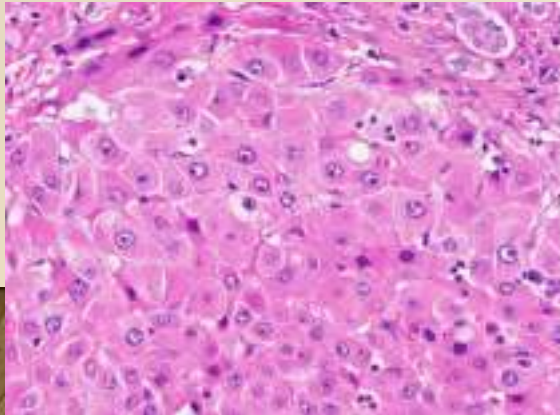
- HCC often appears to arise from premalignant precursors lesions:
- Hepatic adenoma.
- Chronic liver disease associated with cellular dysplasias :

➤ large-cell change.:

- ❖ increase in both nuclear and cytoplasmic size, preserving nuclear to cytoplasmic ratio; nuclei are hyperchromatic, pleomorphic and frequently multinucleated.

➤ small-cell change:

- ❖ decreased cell volume, increased nuclear to cytoplasmic ratio, mild nuclear pleomorphism, hyperchromasia and cytoplasmic basophilia, giving the impression of nuclear crowding



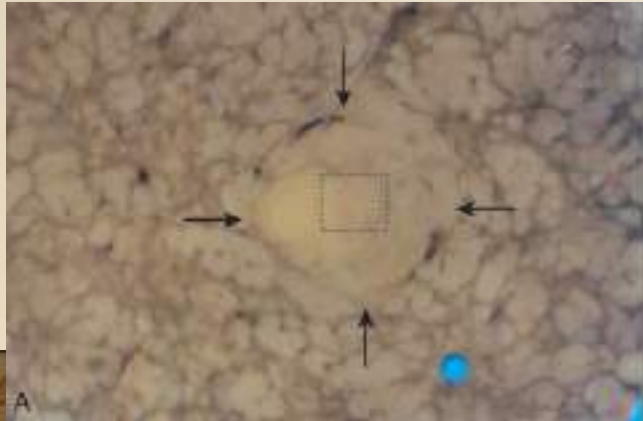
CLINICAL FEATURES

- ill-defined upper-abdominal pain, malaise, fatigue, weight loss.
- abdominal mass or abdominal fullness.
- Jaundice,, gastrointestinal or esophageal variceal bleeding.
- Metastatic : most commonly to the lungs.
- ❖ Laboratory studies: Elevated serum levels of α -fetoprotein.
- ❖ imaging studies: Increasing arterialization during the development and progression of HCC .
- ❖ Death usually occurs from:
 - ❖ (1) cachexia,
 - ❖ (2) gastrointestinal or esophageal variceal bleeding
 - ❖ (3) liver failure with hepatic coma.
 - ❖ (4) rupture of the tumor with fatal hemorrhage

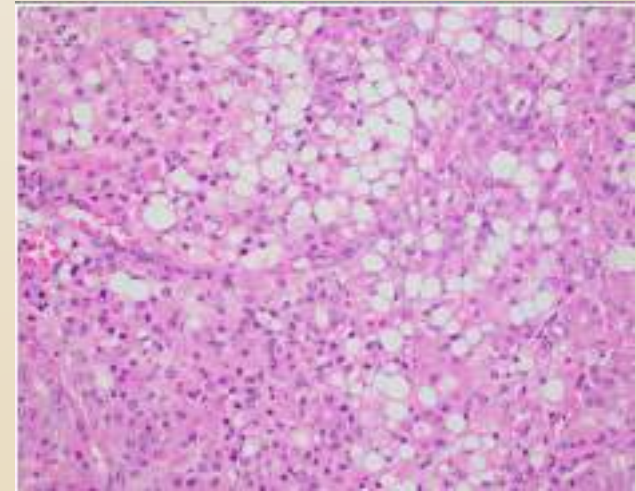
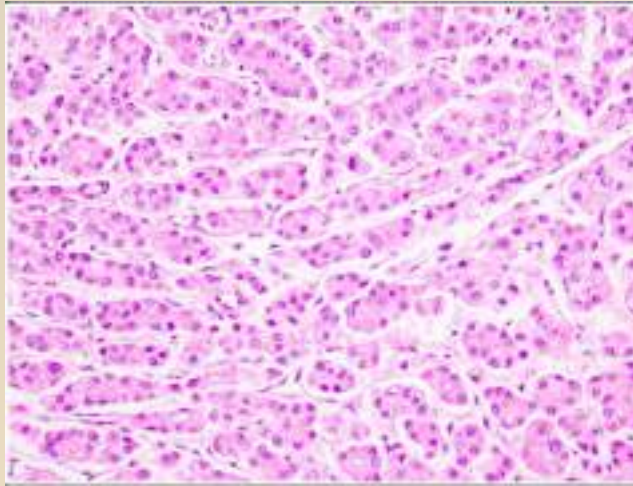


MORPHOLOGY

- HCC may appear grossly as:
- (1) a unifocal (usually large) mass.
- (2) multifocal, widely distributed nodules of variable size.
- (3) a diffusely infiltrative cancer,



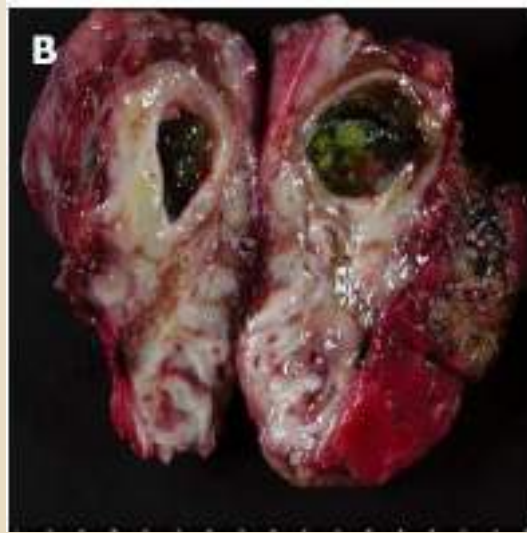
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- HCCs range from :
 - well differentiated to highly anaplastic lesions.



Well-differentiated HCCs are composed of cells that look like normal hepatocytes and grow as thick trabeculae

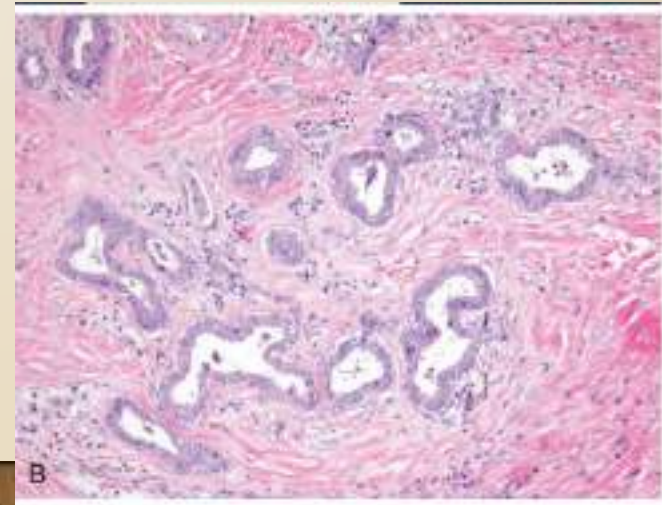
tumor cells appear malignant on H&E and often cannot be distinguished from other poorly differentiated neoplasms;

- The risk factors include :
 - ✓ infestation by liver flukes .
 - ✓ chronic inflammatory disease of the large bile ducts (such as primary sclerosing cholangitis),
 - ✓ hepatolithiasis.
 - ✓ fibropolycystic liver disease.



MORPHOLOGY

- Most tumors appear as firm, gray nodules within the bile duct wall.
- Cholangiocarcinomas are typical mucin-producing adenocarcinomas. Most are well to moderately differentiated, growing as glandular/tubular structures lined by malignant epithelial cells.

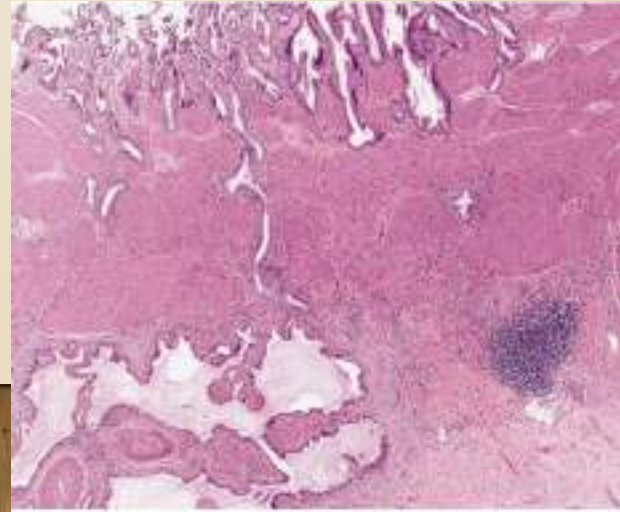
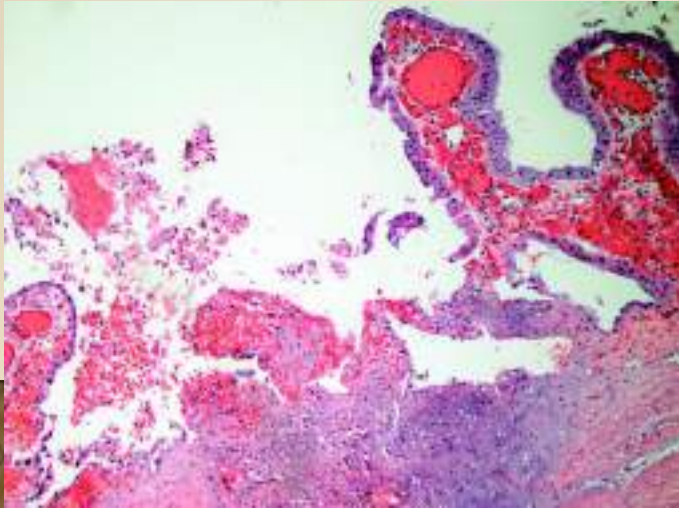


GALLBLADDER



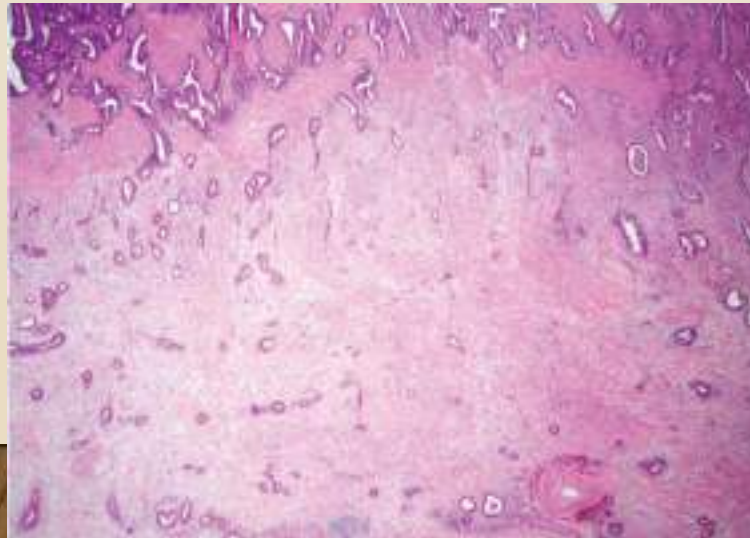
GALLBLADDER

- GALLSTONE DISEASE.
- CHOLECYSTITIS:
 - Acute Calculous Cholecystitis: Acute inflammation of a gallbladder that contains stones.
 - Chronic Cholecystitis: occur due to repeated bouts of acute cholecystitis or de novo.



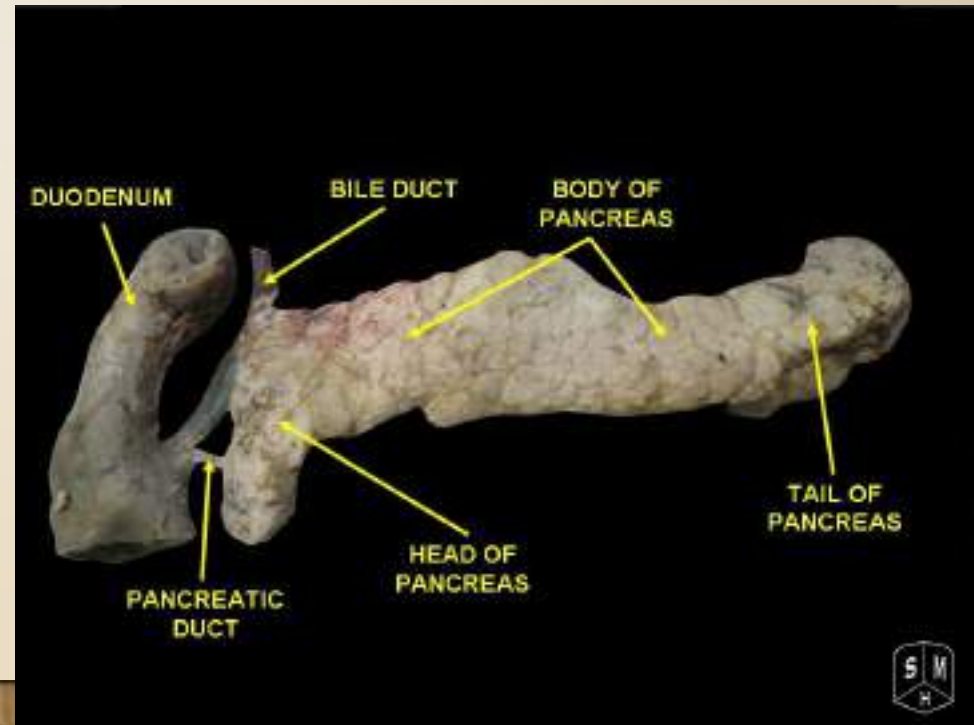
CARCINOMA OF THE GALLBLADDER:

- more common in women and occurs most frequently in the seventh decade of life.
- Presenting symptoms : abdominal pain, jaundice, anorexia, nausea and vomiting.
- Most carcinomas of the gallbladder are adenocarcinomas.



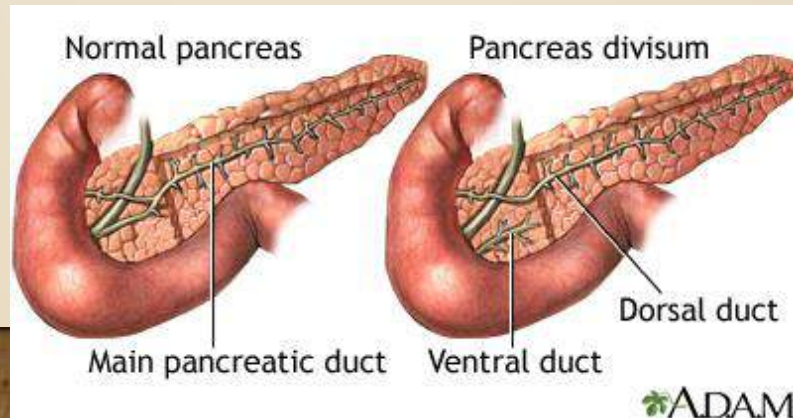
PANCREAS

- Congenital Anomalies.
- Pancreatitis.
- Pancreatic Cystic Neoplasms:
 - Pancreatic Carcinoma

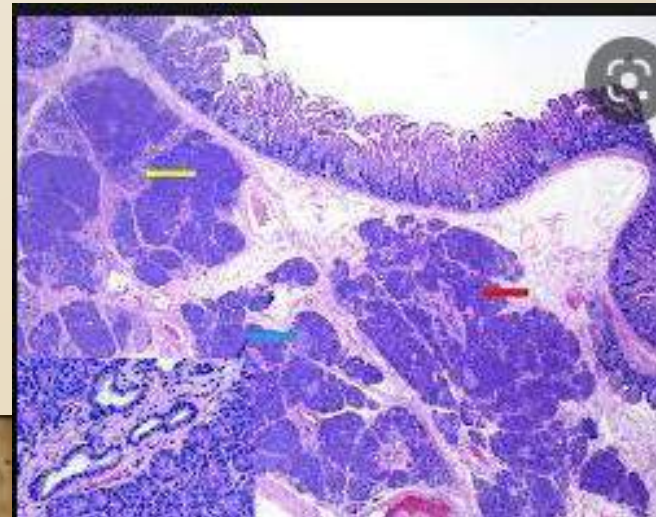
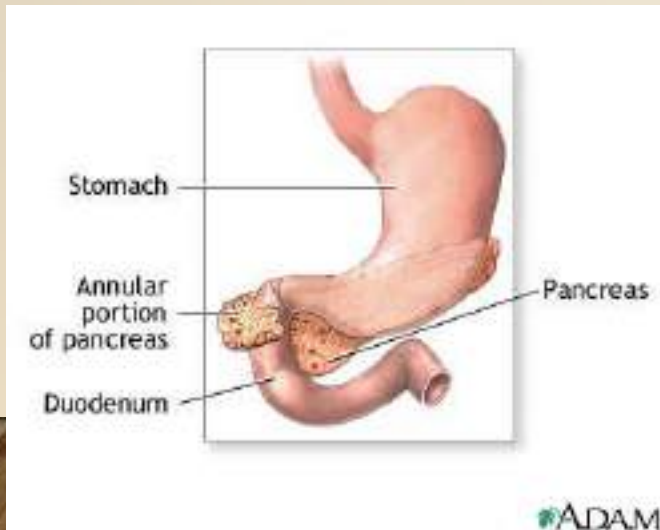


CONGENITAL ANOMALIES

- 1. Agenesis: the pancreas is totally absent.
- 2. Pancreas Divisum:
 - most common congenital anomaly of the pancreas.
 - caused by a failure of fusion of the fetal duct systems of the dorsal and ventral pancreatic primordia.



- 3. Annular Pancreas: ring of pancreatic tissue completely encircles the duodenum.
- 4. Ectopic Pancreas: favored sites are the stomach and duodenum, followed by the jejunum, Meckel diverticulum, and ileum.



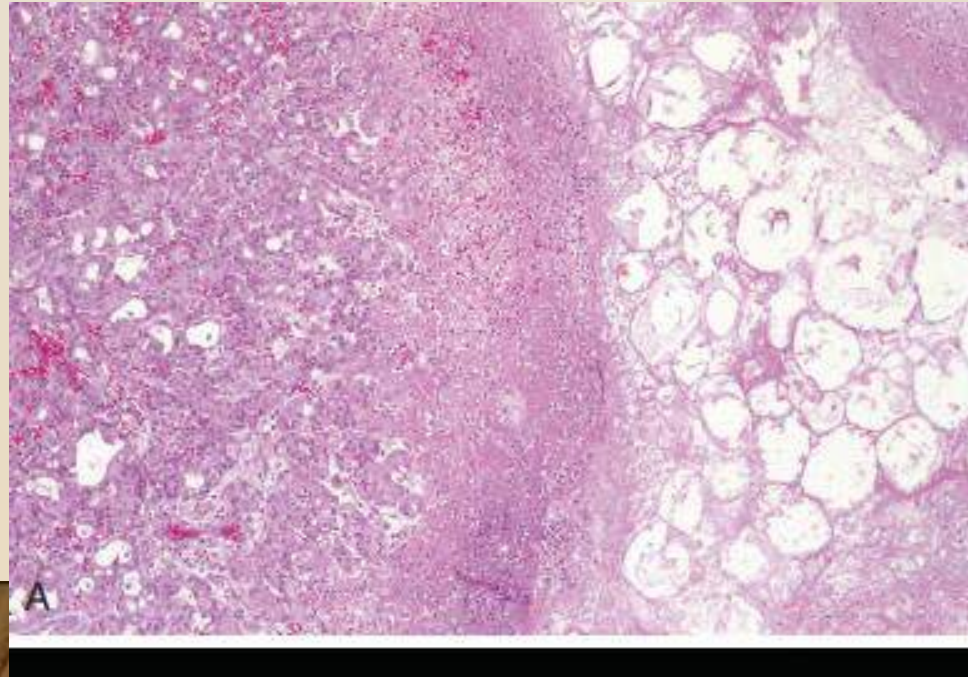
PANCREATITIS:ACUTE PANCREATITIS

- Acute pancreatitis is a reversible inflammatory disorder that varies in severity, from focal edema and fat necrosis to widespread hemorrhagic necrosis.
- Etiology:
 - Gallstones.
 - Non–gallstone-related obstruction.
 - Medications.
 - Infections.
 - Metabolic disorders



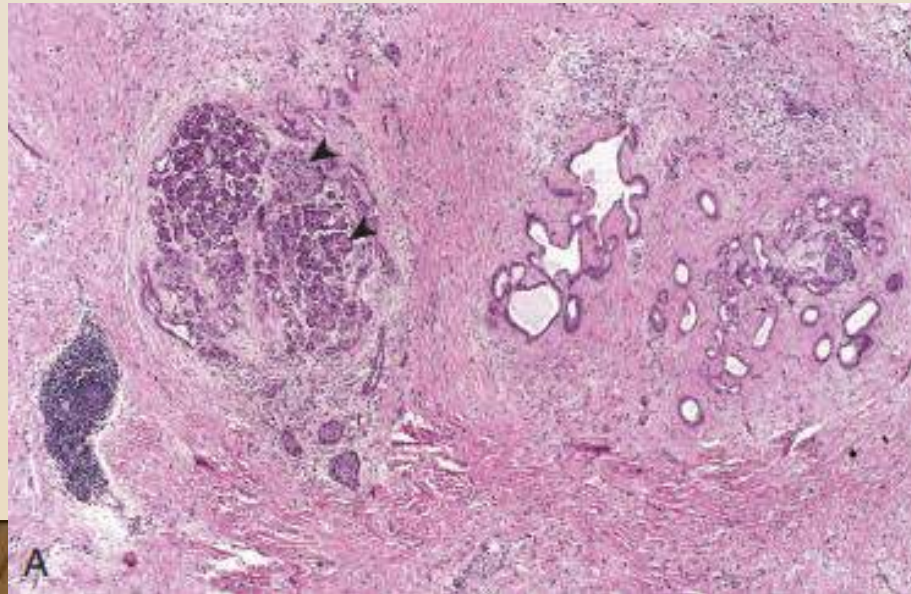
MORPHOLOGY

- acute inflammatory cell infiltrate admixed with edema and fibrinous exudate.
- patchy necrosis.



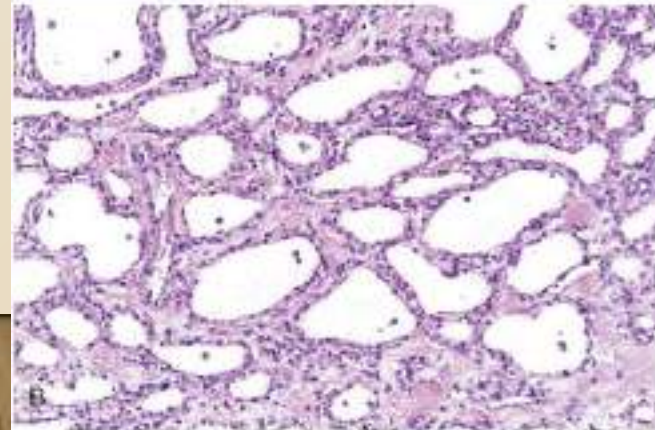
MORPHOLOGY

- Chronic pancreatitis is characterized by parenchymal fibrosis, reduced number and size of acini, and variable dilation of the pancreatic ducts

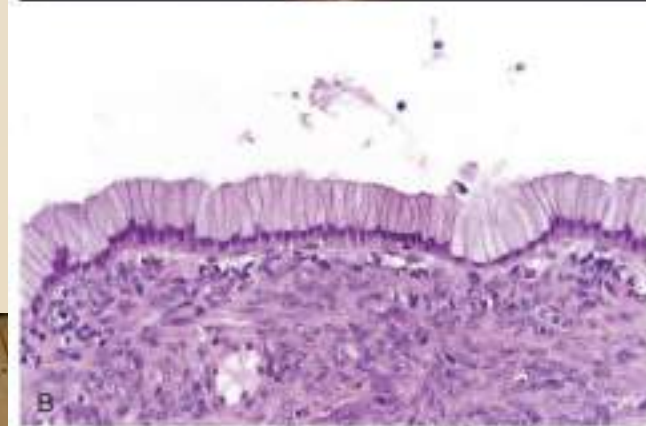


PANCREATIC NEOPLASMS: CYSTIC NEOPLASMS

- I. Serous cystadenomas :
 - composed of glycogen-rich cuboidal cells surrounding small cysts containing clear, straw colored fluid.

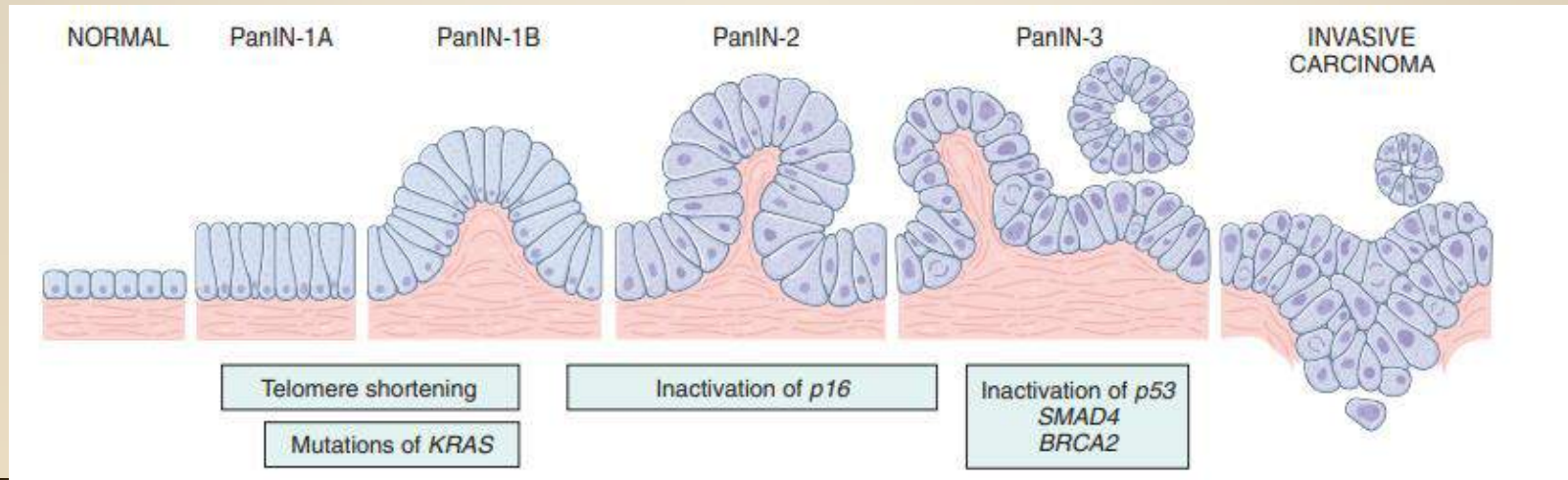


2. mucinous cystic neoplasm:
the cysts are lined by a columnar mucinous epithelium
with an associated densely cellular stroma resembling
that of the ovary.



PANCREATIC CARCINOMA

- pancreatic cancer arises as a consequence of inherited and acquired mutations in cancer-associated genes.



MORPHOLOGY

- Carcinomas of the pancreas usually are hard, gray-white, stellate, poorly defined masses.
 - On microscopic examination,:
 - pancreatic carcinoma usually
- is a moderately to poorly differentiated adenocarcinoma forming abortive glands with mucin secretion or cell clusters and exhibiting an aggressive, deeply infiltrative growth pattern

