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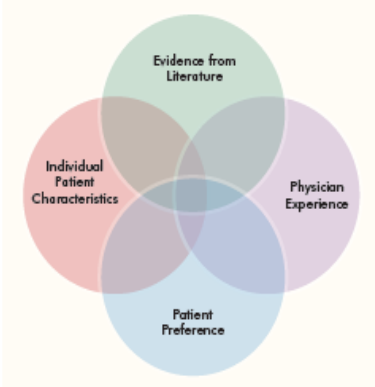
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Individualizing Therapy for Non-Small-Cell Lung Cancer: A Paradigm Shift from Empiric to Integrated Decision-Making

New basic and clinical research findings in non-small-cell lung cancer (NSCLC) are revolutionizing both our concepts about this malignancy and our clinical practice patterns. Current practice for selection of therapy in patients with advanced-stage NSCLC, and many other tumor types as well, is largely empiric. In general, each time a treating oncologist selects therapy, 4 different dimensions (Figure 1) are considered in the decision-making process: (1) evidence from the literature (ie, therapeutic ratio of different regimens); (2) individual patient characteristics (ie, age, sex, performance status, smoking status); (3) patient preference (ie, desire for longer life versus quality of life); and (4) physician experience and preference. Although this empiric process serves most patients well, in 2009 a paradigm shift has begun in which decision-making is beginning to move from "empiric" to what can be called an "integrated" approach. As summarized in the Table 1, a variety of emerging selection factors now make it possible to consider customizing therapy in individual patients with NSCLC by integrating clinical, histologic, and molecular factors. Because possible selection factors now list in the hundreds, only representative examples for which data appear most robust are listed in Table 1.

First and foremost, previous studies have documented that clinical factors such as female sex, never-smoking status, and East Asian ethnicity are associated with response to epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) tyrosine kinase inhibitors (TKIs). Despite this clear association, the recently reported IPASS trial, performed entirely in East Asian patients with adenocarcinoma (94% never smoking and about 80% female) strikingly demonstrates that a molecular selection factor (EGFR TK domain mutation) "trumps" clinical features in predicting benefit from the EGFR TKI gefitinib.¹ In this study, in which East Asian patients with advanced NSCLC were randomized to gefitinib or chemotherapy, response and progression-free survival were highly associated with EGFR mutation status. Those patients with tumors harboring EGFR TK domain mutations did much better with gefitinib, whereas those with wild-type EGFR tumors fared better with chemotherapy, despite near uniformity in clinical factors that would have suggested superior outcomes with gefitinib. Because approximately 85% of North American NSCLC tumors are wild type for EGFR, this finding has significant im-

Figure 1. Empiric Approach to the Selection of Therapy for Non-Small-Cell Lung Cancer



lications for individualizing therapy. As discussed further below, other molecular factors (eg, *K-ras* mutation, EGFR gene copy number by fluorescence in situ hybridization [FISH]) have also recently been reported to have predictive value in the selection of EGFR-directed therapies.

Additional clinical factors are now being used in day-to-day practice to select patients for various treatment approaches. For example, although chemotherapy plus bevacizumab is generally accepted in North America as a standard of care for advanced NSCLC, bevacizumab-containing regimens are contraindicated in patients with NSCLC of the squamous cell subtype (SCCA), because of an increased risk of inducing life-threatening hemoptysis.² Recent data from the E4599 trial also suggested reduced benefit and more toxicity in patients aged > 70 years, approximating 50% of all NSCLC patients in the United States.³

EGFR Mutations in Lung Cancer: Correlation with Clinical Response to Gefitinib Therapy

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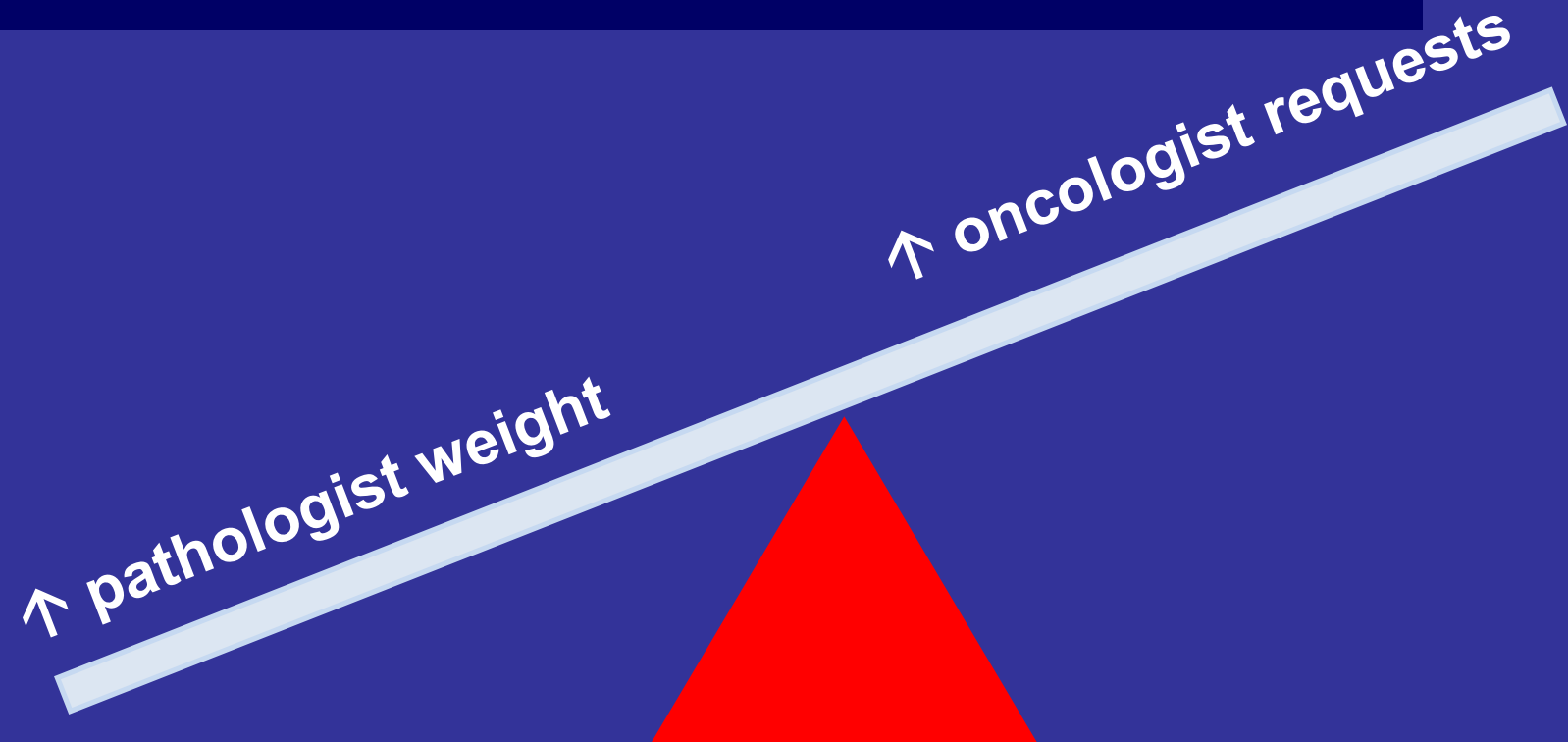
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EGF receptor gene mutations are common in lung cancers from "never smokers" and are associated with sensitivity of tumors to gefitinib and erlotinib

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The advent of targeted therapies

- Classify NSCLC
- Eligibility for molecular testing

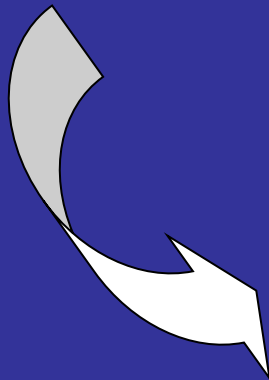


The past

The present

- **SCLC vs NSCLC**

2008



2015

- **SCLC vs NSCLC**
- **NSCLC subtype**
- **EGFR (+/-KRAS) muts**
- **ALK**
- **ROS-1**
- **c-met**
- **Others (BRAF, HER2, RET)**

mandatory

optional

WHY to subtype NSCLC ?

Histology Matters: Individualizing Treatment in Non-Small

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Cell Lung Cancer

The Oncologist 2010

Therapy	Histologic subtype	Notes
Erlotinib, gefitinib	Adenocarcinoma; nonmucinous bronchioloalveolar carcinoma	Higher response rates in tumors with <i>EGFR</i> mutations; negligible response rate in tumors with <i>KRAS</i> mutations; intermediate effects in some patients with other histologic types.
Pemetrexed	Nonsquamous NSCLC	Adenocarcinoma may be more susceptible because of lower thymidylate synthase levels.
Bevacizumab	Predominantly nonsquamous NSCLC	Higher risk for fatal pulmonary hemorrhage with squamous cell histology; risk may be lower with small peripheral squamous tumors.

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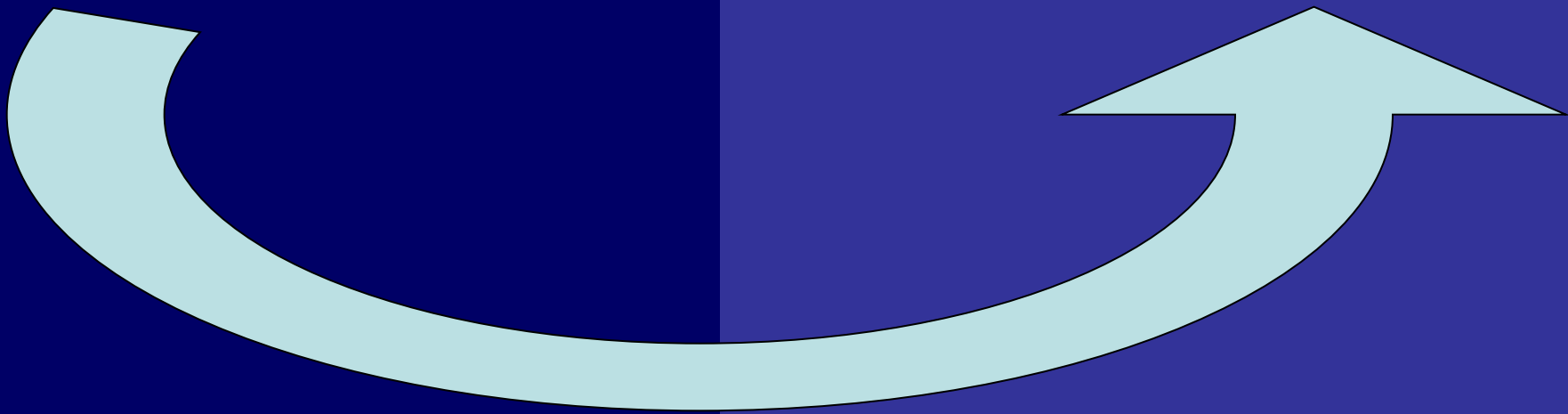
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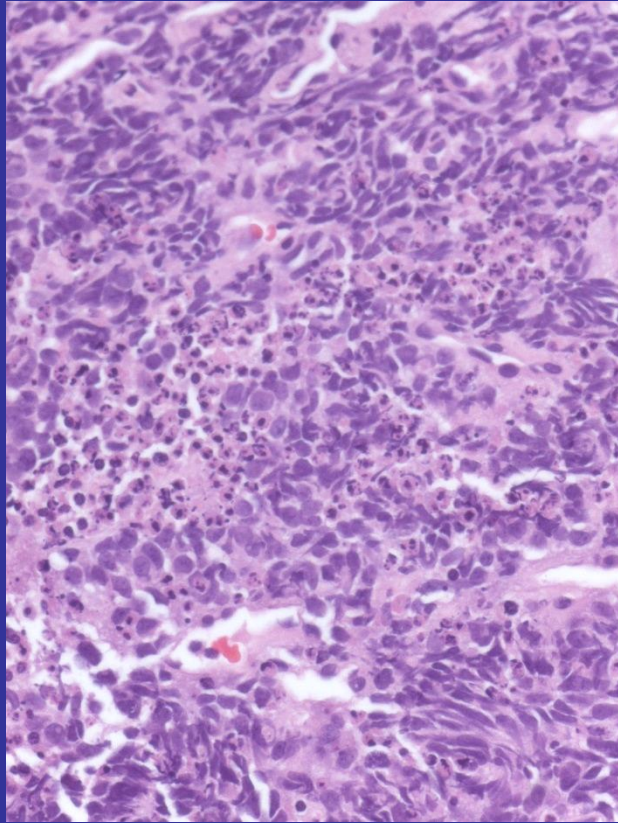
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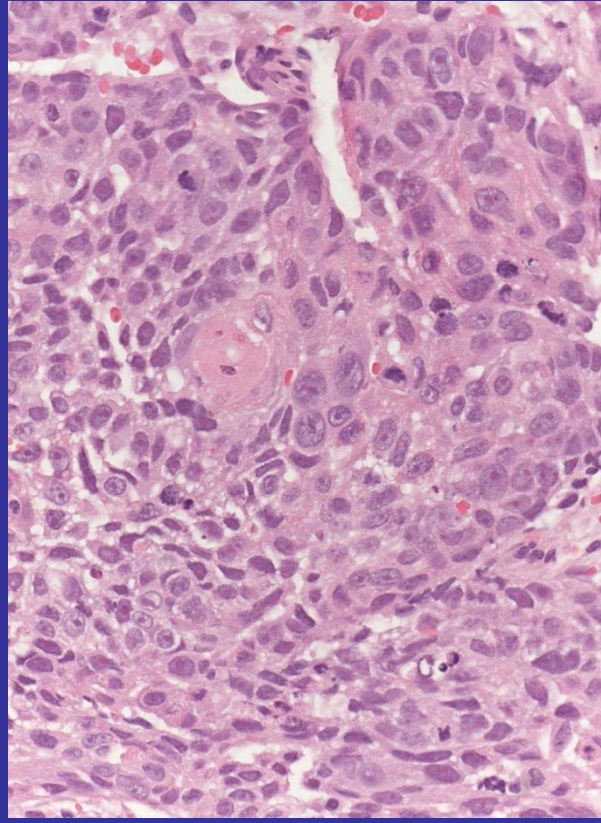
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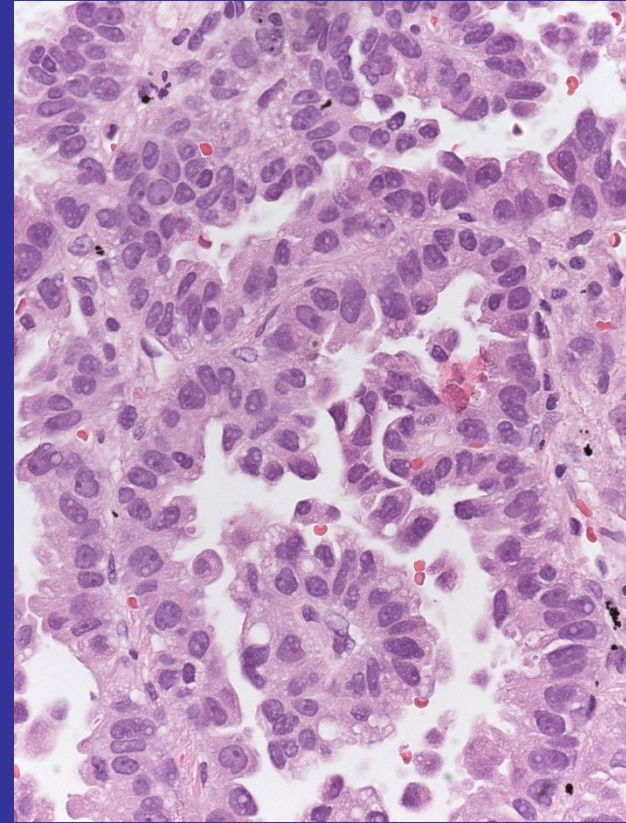
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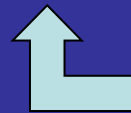
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SqCC



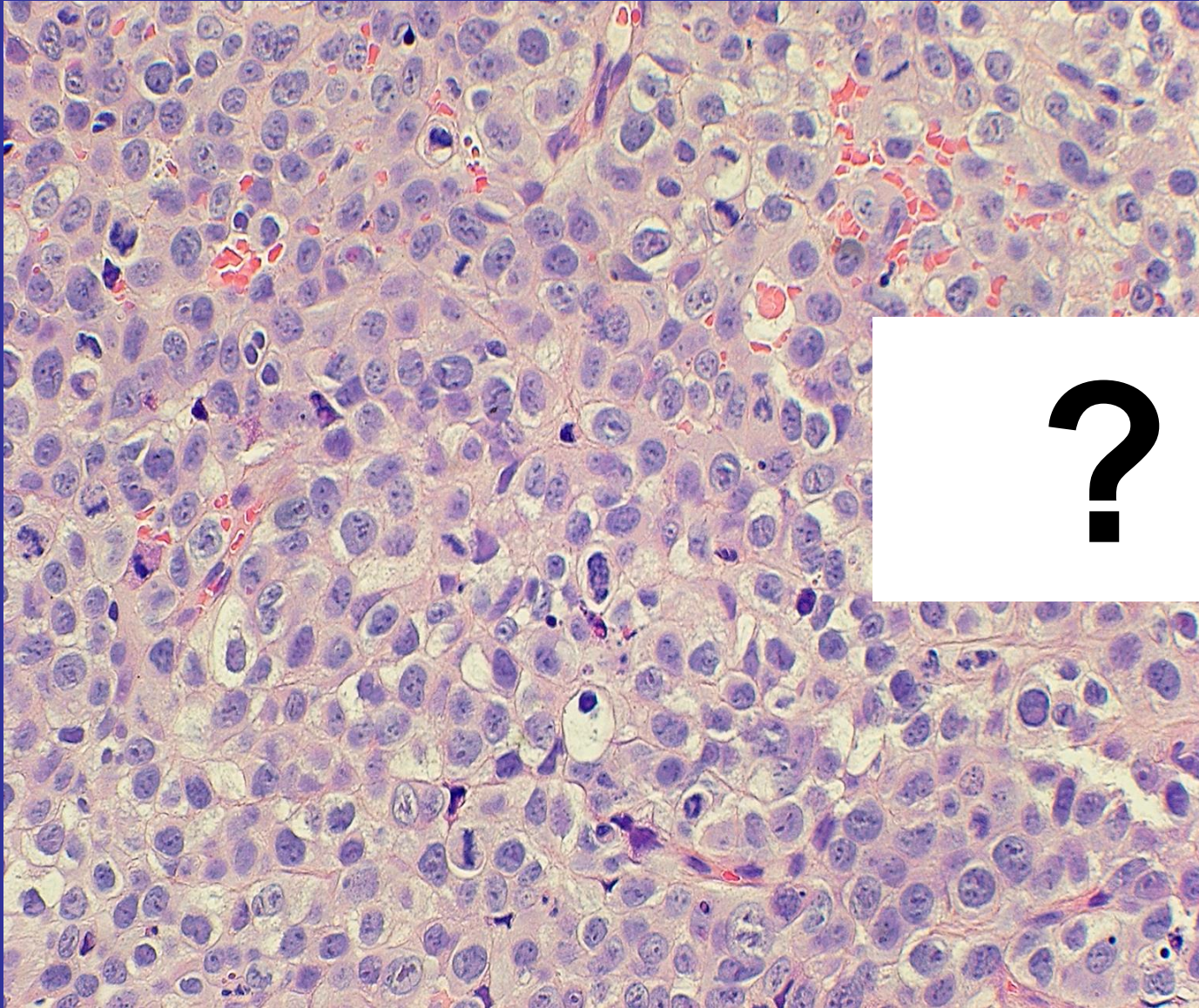
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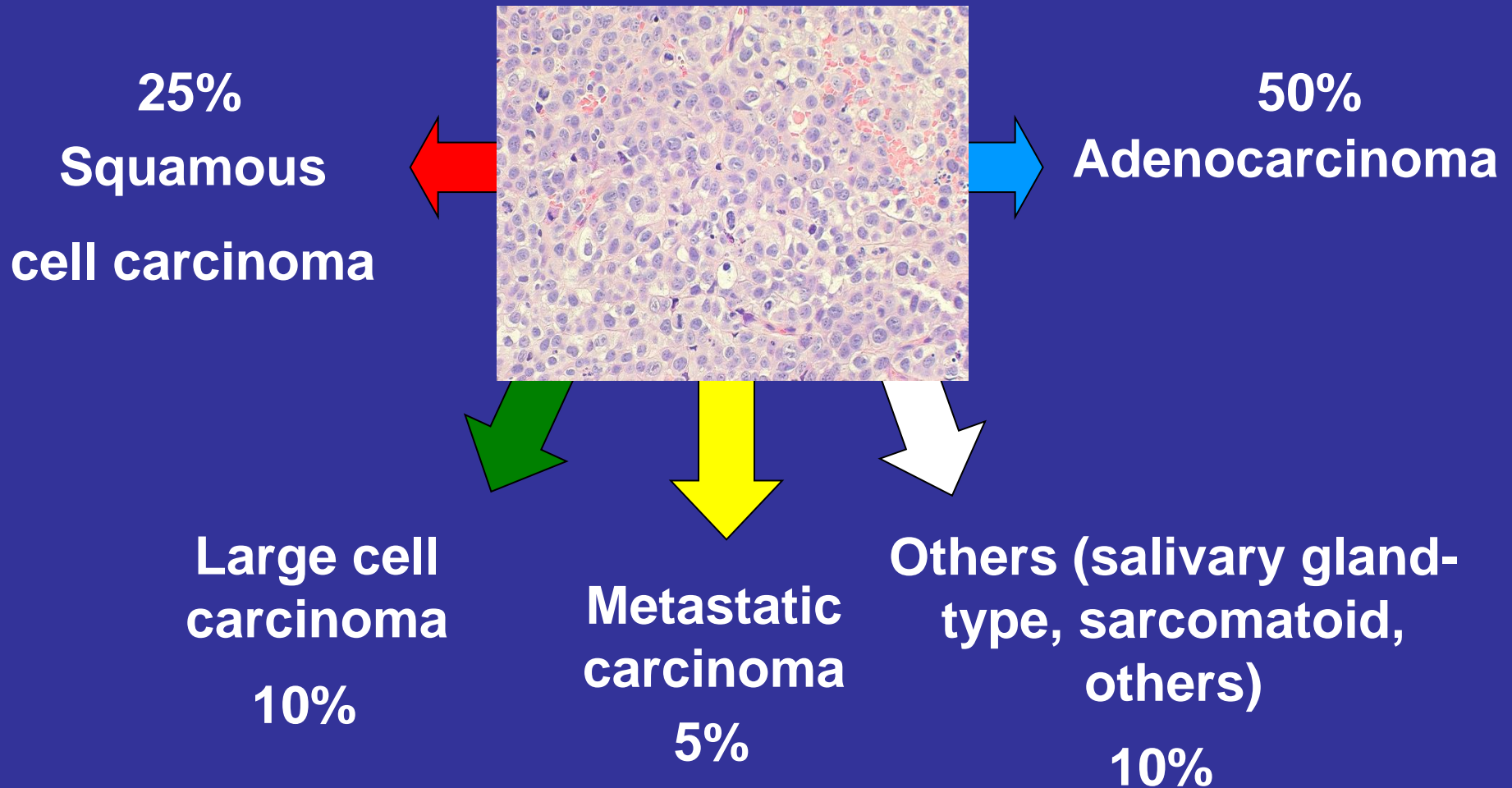
NSCLC



NSCLC poorly differentiated



What does NSCLC mean ?



Subtyping NSCLC

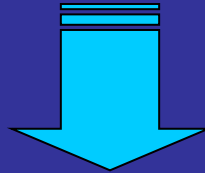
3 basic lung cancer IHC patterns

- TTF-1
- Surfactant (A & B)
- Napsin A
- CK7



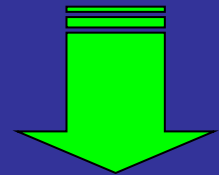
Adenocarcinoma

- p63/p40
- HMWCKs (CK5/6 or 34betaE12)
- Desmo-3
- S100A7



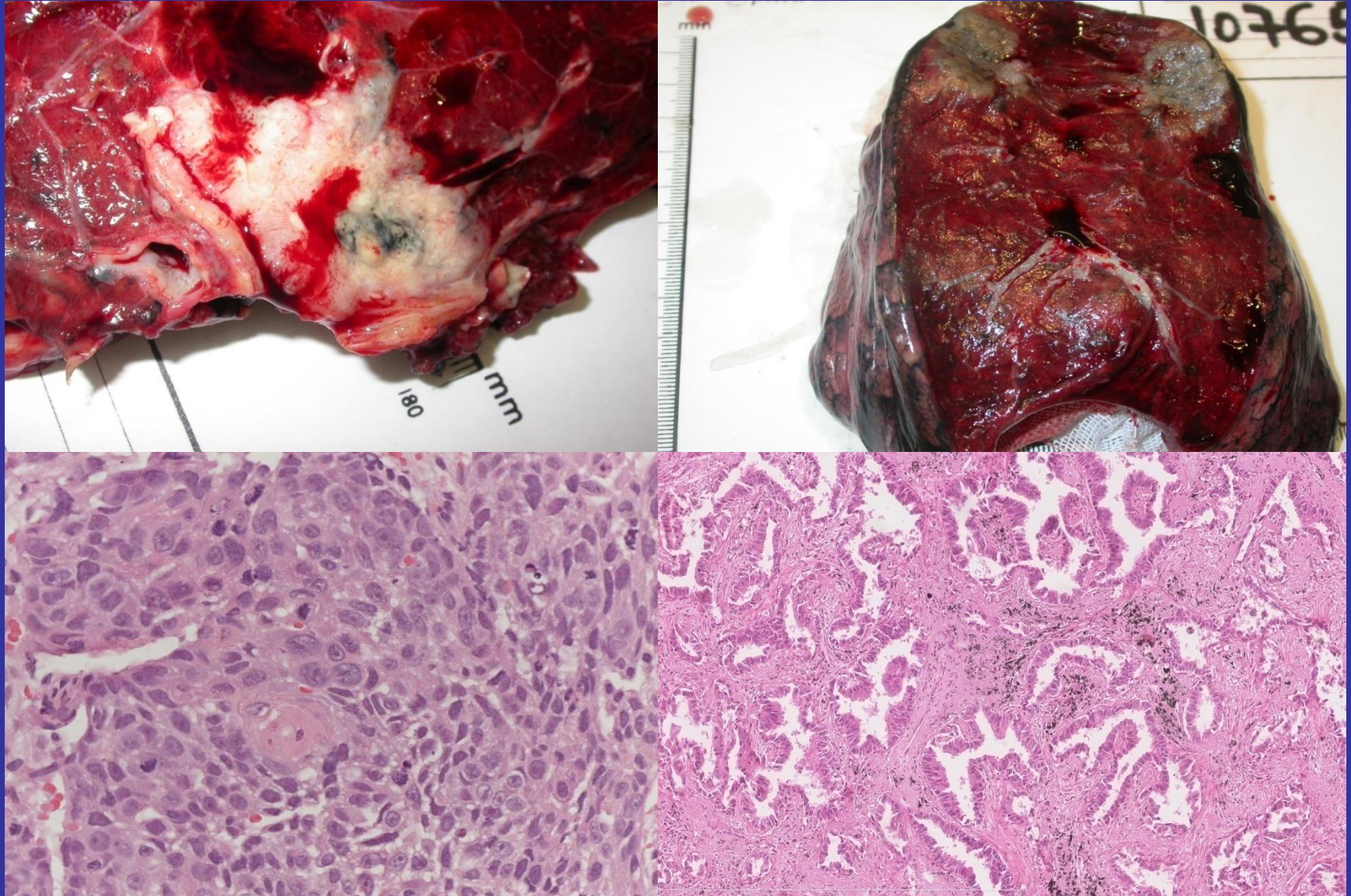
Squamous cell carcinoma

- ChrA
- Syn
- CD56
- CD57

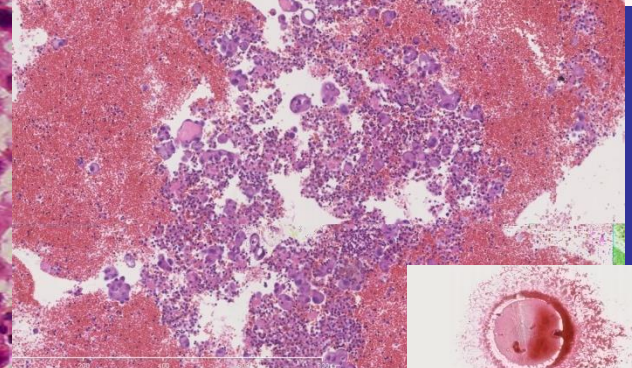
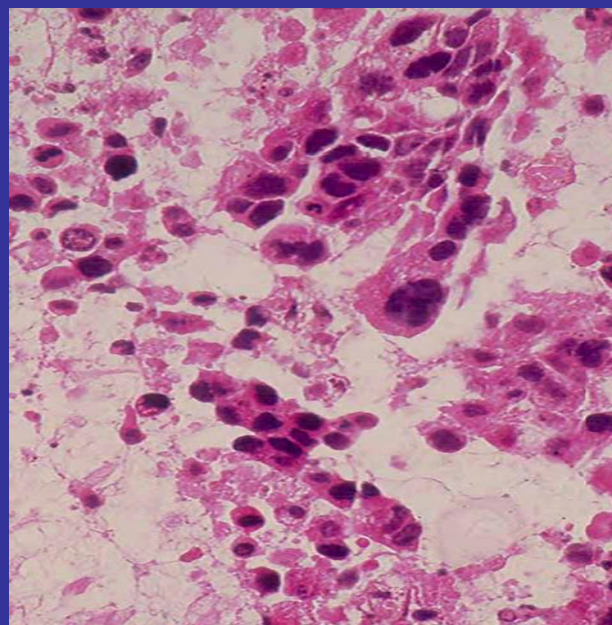
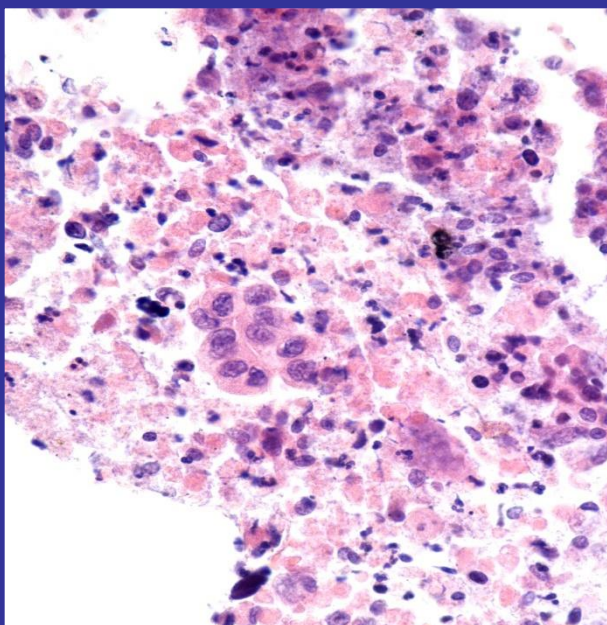
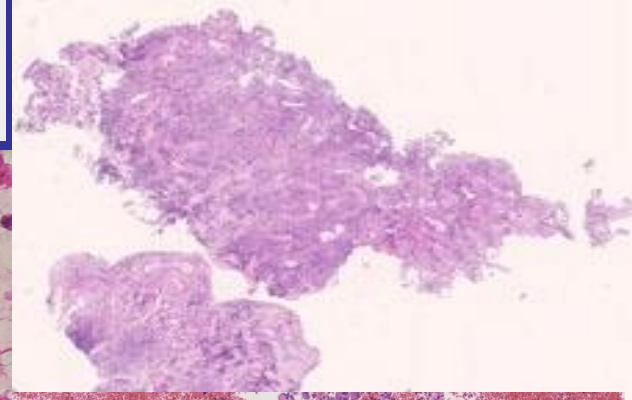
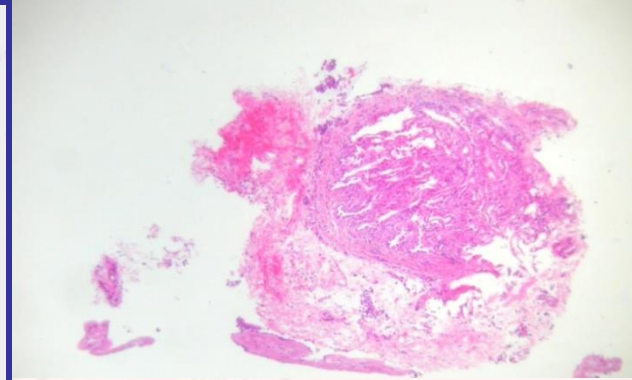
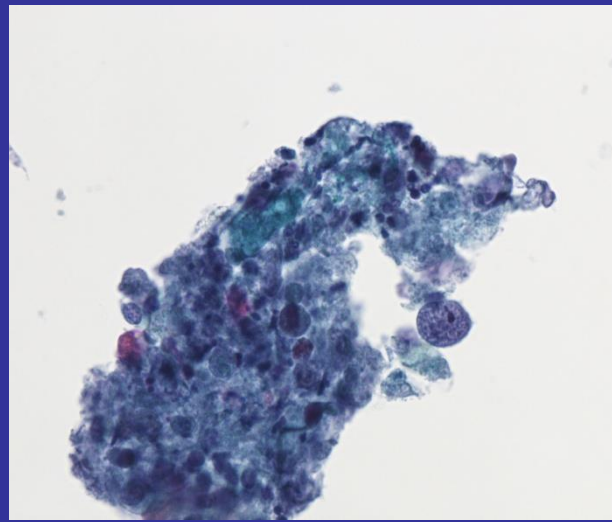
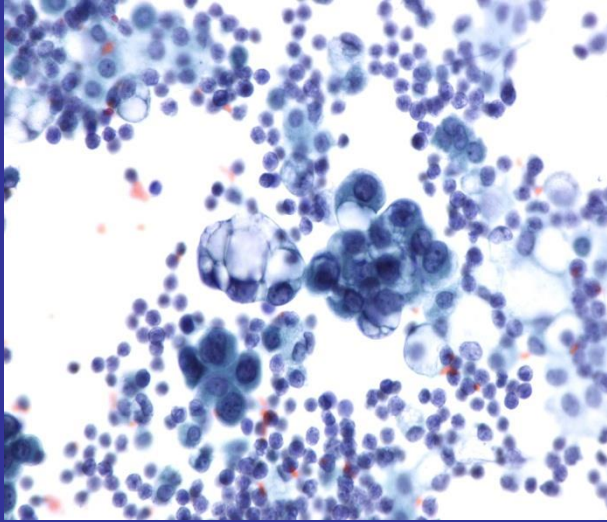


NE carcinoma

Only 25-30% of NSCLC are resectable . . .



...therefore, diagnosis is mainly based on cytological samples or small biopsies



WHO Classifications

1967 HE

1981 HE & Mucin

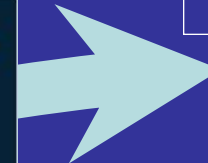
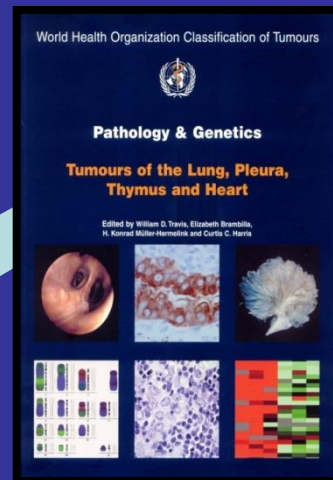
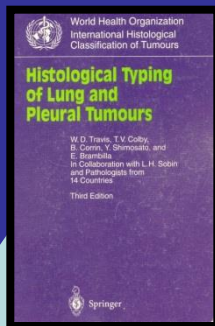
1999 HE, Mucin & IIC

2004 HE, Mucin, IIC & Genetics

2015 HE, Mucin, IIC & Genetics

for resections

includes small specimens



Use of immunochemistry

- Immunohistochemistry is now recommended, when possible, not only for small biopsies/cytology, but also for resected specimen.
- With certain drug approved for specific subgroups of NSCLC patients the requirement for more exact histopathological subtyping is mandatory.

Travis WD et al. *J Thorac Oncol.* 2015;10: 1243–1260

Terminology and criteria in non-resected specimens (1)

Small samples: NSCLC Subtyping

- Established morphological criteria **present**:

Glandular differentiation and/or mucin → **ADC**

Intercellular bridges and/or keratinization → **SCC**

- Established morphological criteria **absent**: → **do IHC**

Terminology and criteria in non-resected specimens (2)

Small samples: NSCLC Subtyping

- ADC: TTF1, Napsin
 - Expression may be focal
 - Coexpression with squamous marker possible
- SCC: p40, P63, CK5/6
 - Expression diffuse
 - TTF1 not allowed
- NSCLC, NOS note : possibly ADSC
 - TTF1 and p40 expression in diff. cell populations

Terminology and criteria in non-resected specimens (3)

Small samples: NSCLC Subtyping

- Established morphological criteria **present**:

Glandular differentiation and/or mucin → **ADC**

Intercellular bridges and/or keratinization → **SCC**

- Established morphological criteria **absent** → do IHC:

TTF1+ → **NSCLC, favor ADC**

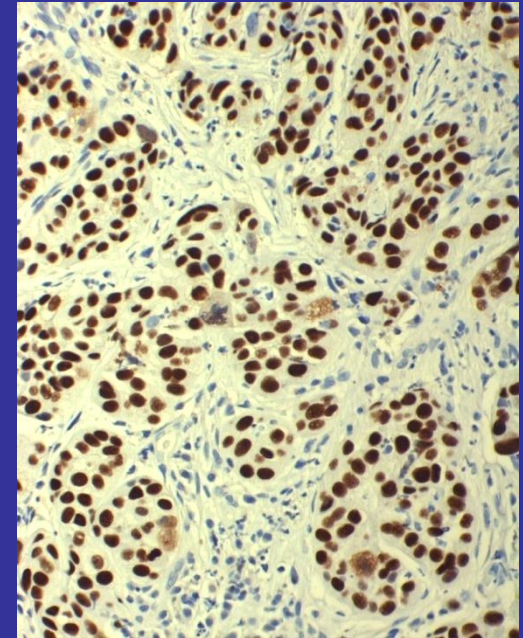
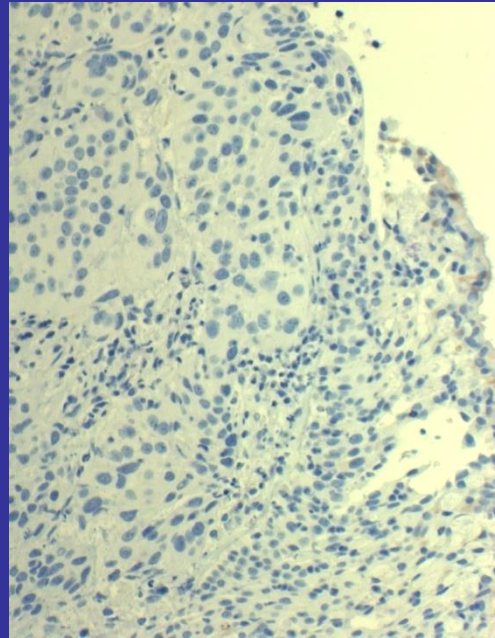
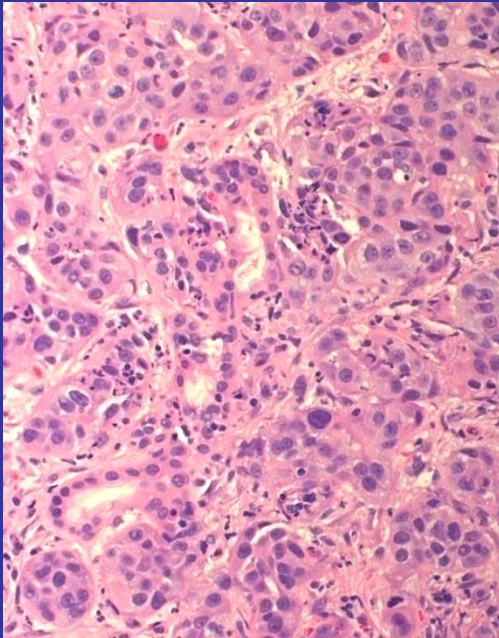
p40+ → **NSCLC, favor SCC**

Inconclusive → **NSCLC, NOS**

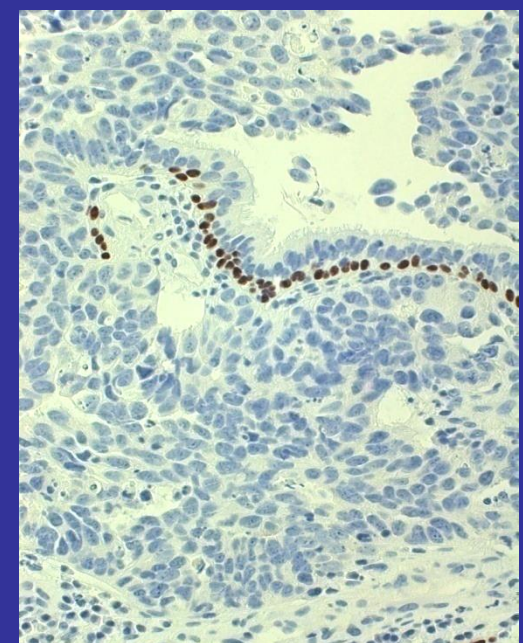
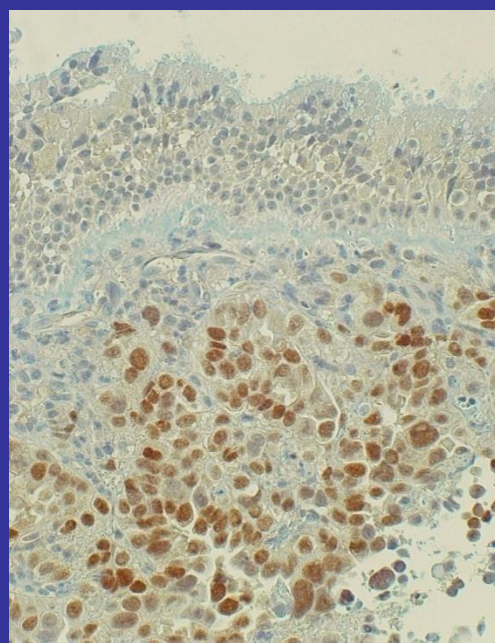
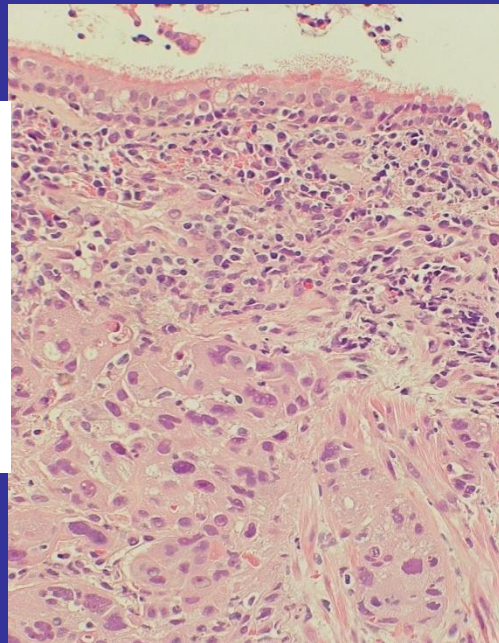
H&E

TTF-1

p63 or p40



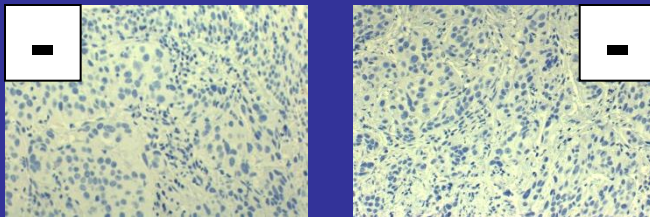
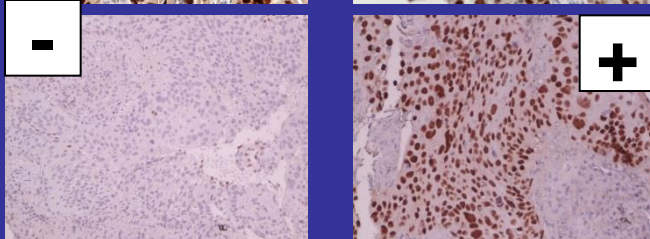
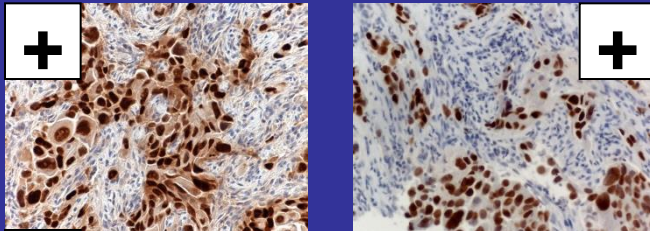
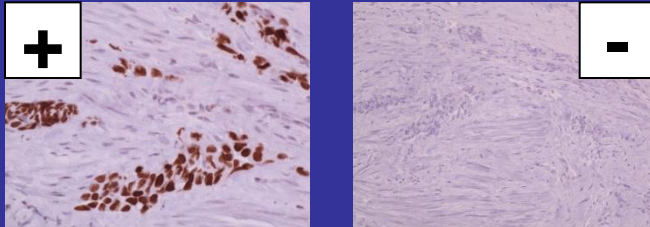
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**NSCLC
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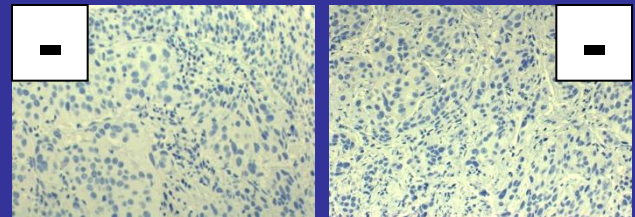
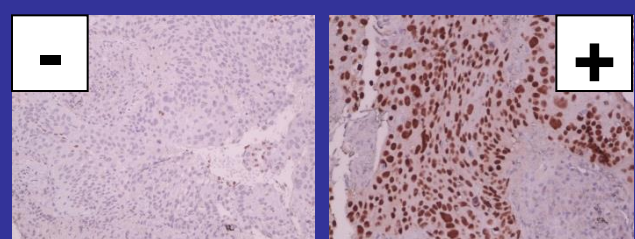
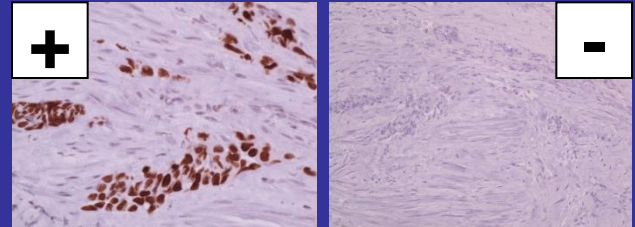
Diagnostic algorithms in NSCLC subtyping

TTF-1 / p63



Option #1

TTF-1 / p40



Option #2

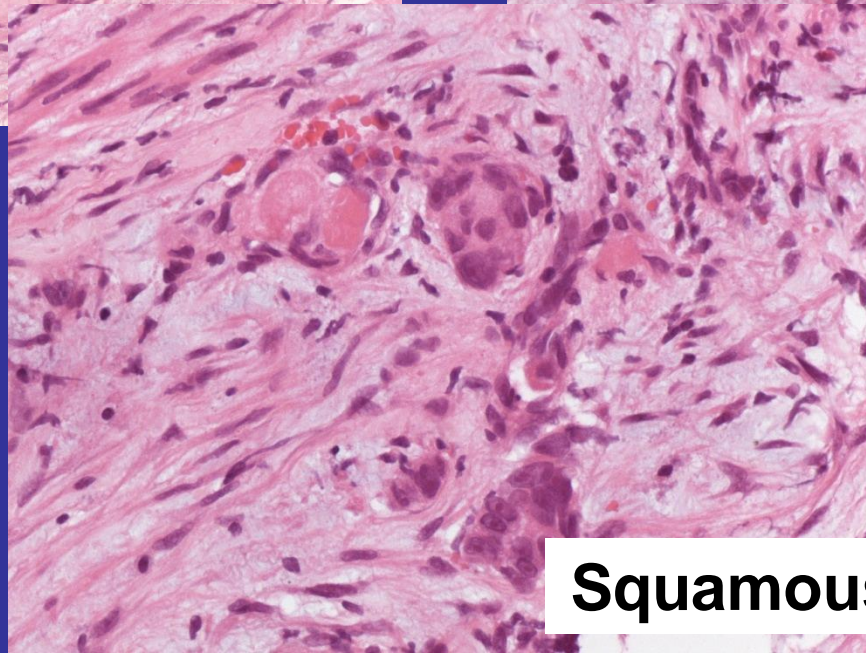
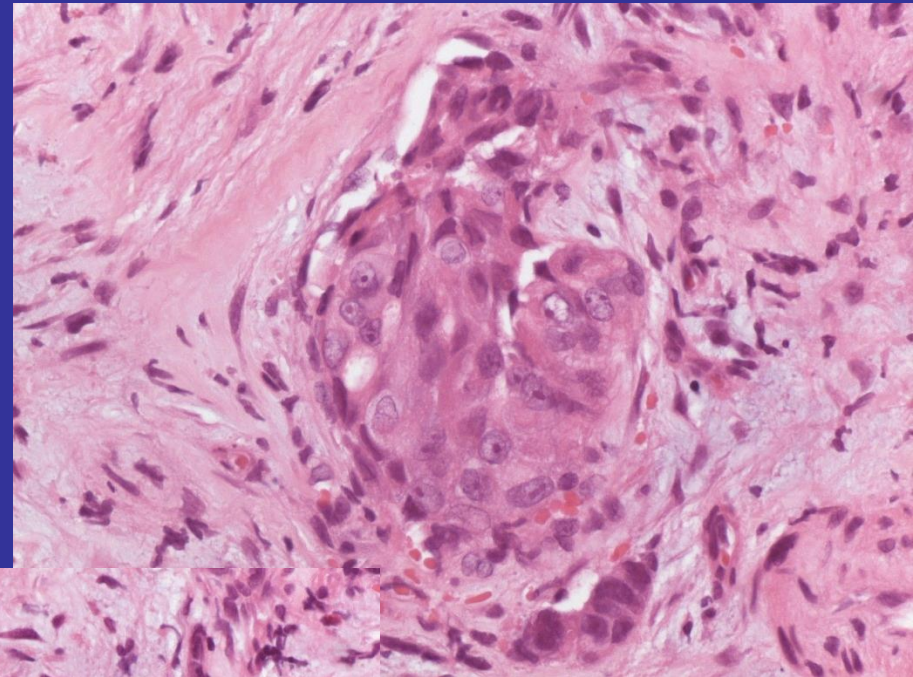
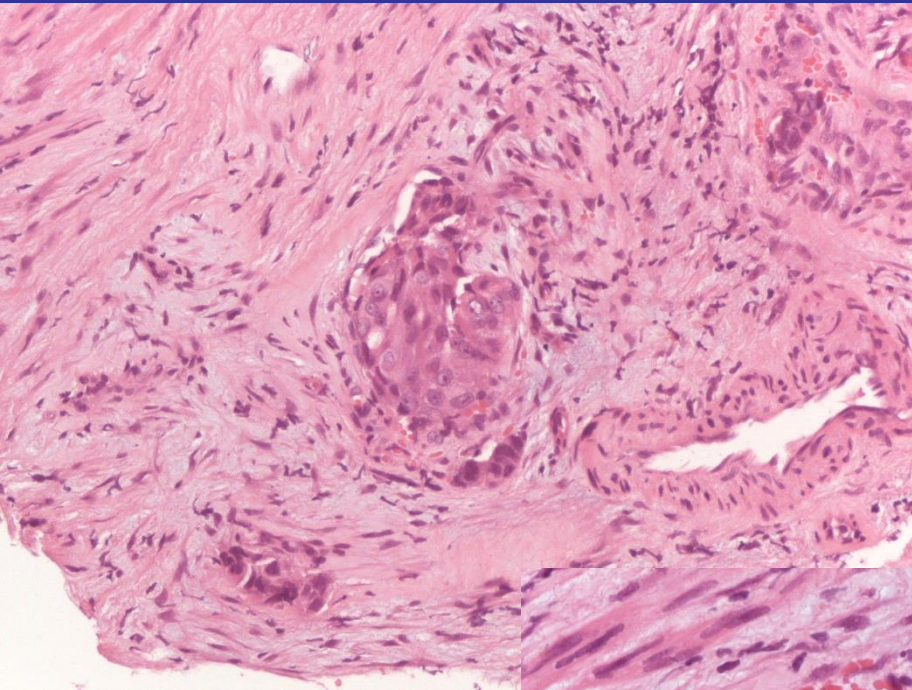


ADC

SqC

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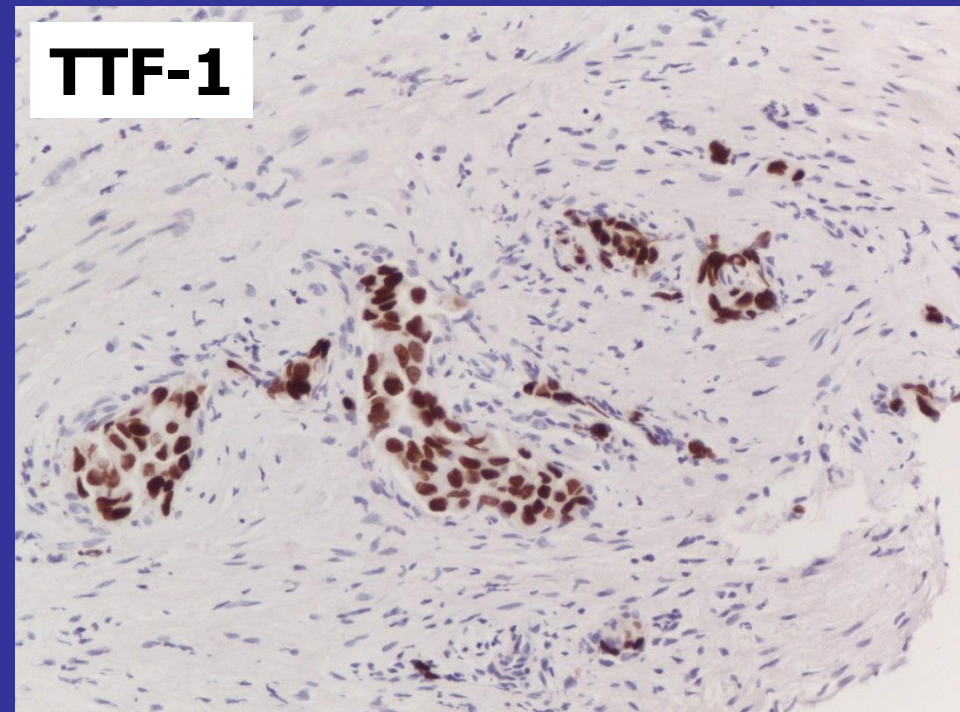
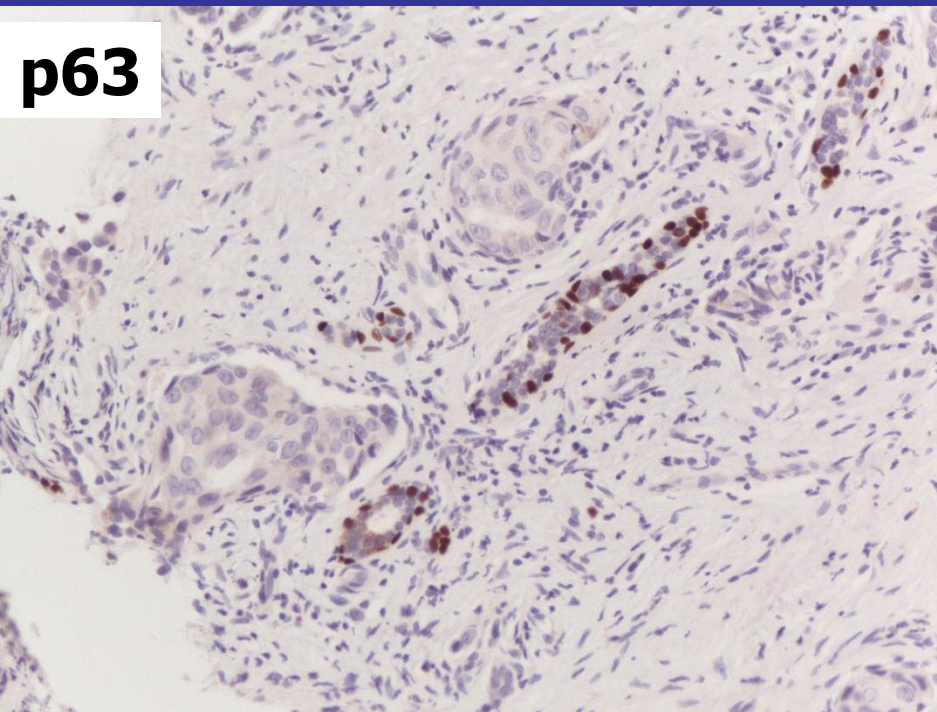
Mistakes may happen !!!



- 65 yr man
- Smoker
- Central mass (8 cm across)

Squamous cell carcinoma

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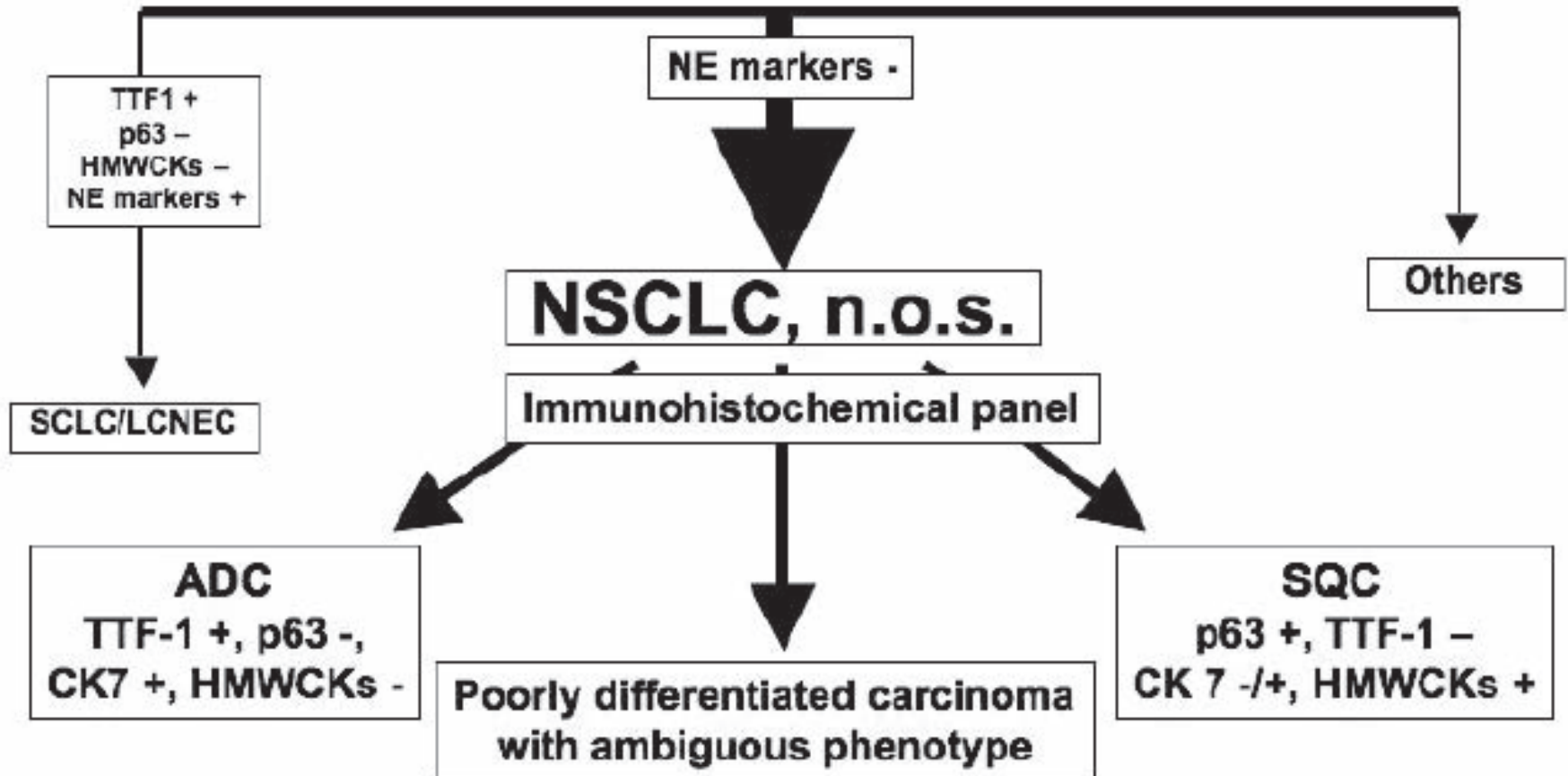


**Nowadays, this mistake can preclude
some therapeutic strategies in
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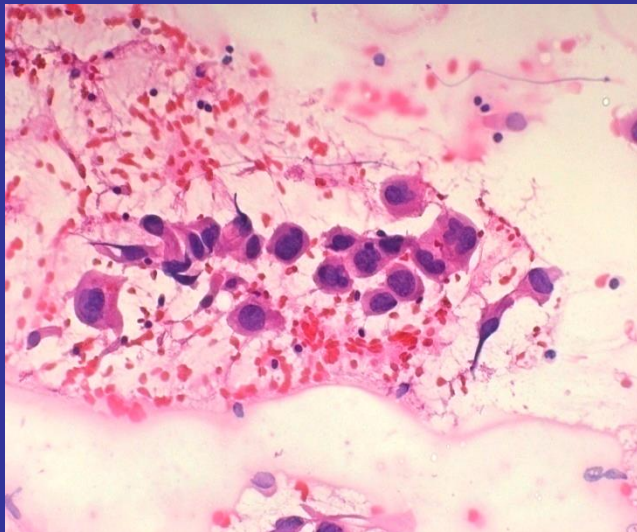
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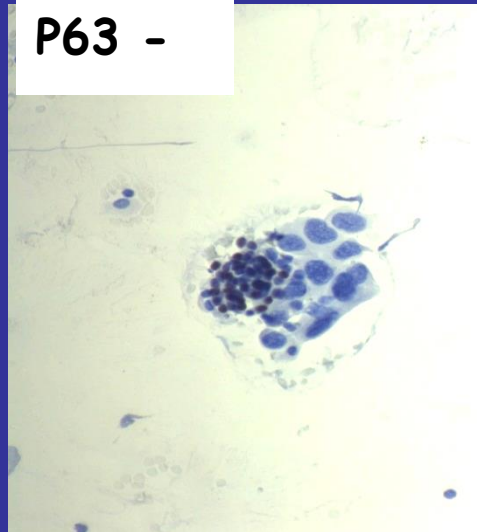
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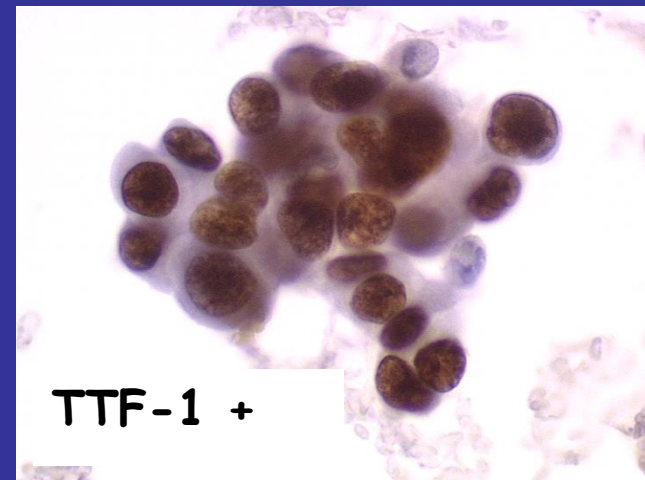
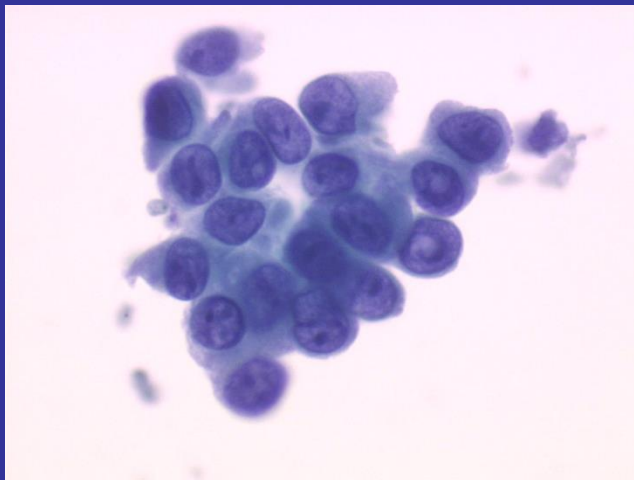
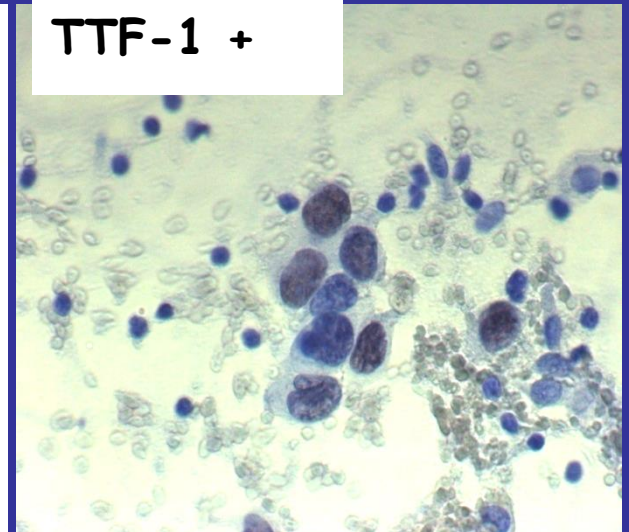
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P63 -



TTF-1 +



Terminology and criteria for small biopsies/cytology

TABLE 2. Terminology and Criteria for Adenocarcinoma, Squamous Cell Carcinoma, and NSCC NOS in Small Biopsies and Cytology Compared with Terms in Resection Specimens^a

New Small Biopsy/Cytology Terminology	Morphology/Stains	2015 WHO Classification in Resection Specimens
Adenocarcinoma (describe identifiable patterns present)	Morphologic adenocarcinoma patterns clearly present	Adenocarcinoma predominant pattern: lepidic, acinar, papillary, solid, and micropapillary
Adenocarcinoma with lepidic pattern (if pure, add note: an invasive component cannot be excluded)		Minimally invasive adenocarcinoma, adenocarcinoma in situ, or an invasive adenocarcinoma with a lepidic component
Invasive mucinous adenocarcinoma (describe patterns present; use term mucinous adenocarcinoma with lepidic pattern if pure lepidic pattern)		Invasive mucinous adenocarcinoma
Adenocarcinoma with colloid features		Colloid adenocarcinoma
Adenocarcinoma with fetal features		Fetal adenocarcinoma
Adenocarcinoma with enteric features ^b		Enteric adenocarcinoma
NSCC, favor adenocarcinoma ^c	Morphologic adenocarcinoma patterns not present but supported by special stains (i.e., TTF-1 positive)	Adenocarcinoma (solid pattern may be just one component of the tumor)
Squamous cell carcinoma	Morphologic squamous cell patterns clearly present	Squamous cell carcinoma
NSCC, favor squamous cell carcinoma ^c	Morphologic squamous cell patterns not present but supported by stains (i.e., p40-positive)	Squamous cell carcinoma (nonkeratinizing pattern may be a component of the tumor)
NSCC NOS ^d	No clear adenocarcinoma, squamous or neuroendocrine morphology or staining pattern	Large cell carcinoma

Guidelines for good practice of small biopsies and cytological preparations

- The term NSCLC-NOS should be used as little as possible, and only when a more specific diagnosis is not possible.
- For small biopsies and cytology, NSCC should be further classified into a more specific type, such as adenocarcinoma, or squamous cell carcinoma, whenever possible.
- When a diagnosis is made in conjunction with special studies, it should be clarified.
- The term "non-SQCC" should not be used by pathologist in diagnostic report.

Lung classification in resection specimen

- **Papillomas**

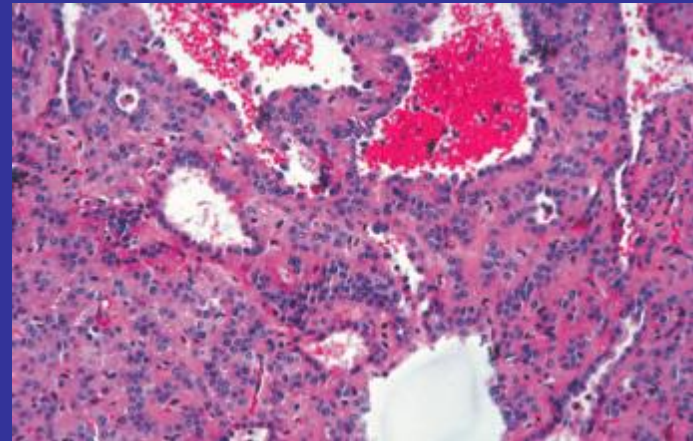
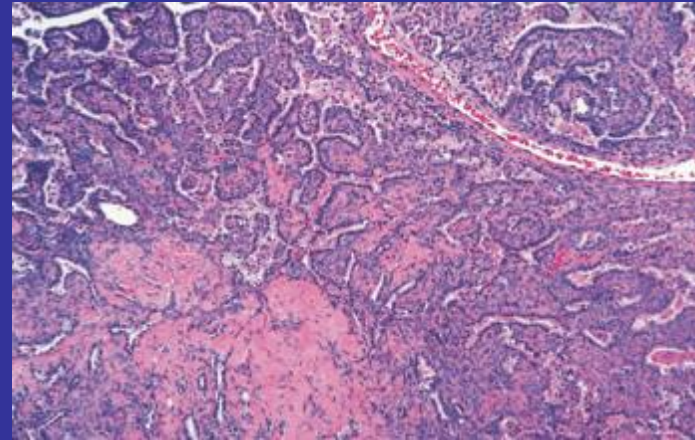
- Squamous cell papilloma
- Glandular papilloma
- Mixed squamous cell and glandular papilloma

- **Adenomas**

- **Sclectosing pneumocytoma**
- Alveolar adenoma
- Papillary adenoma
- Mucinous cystoadenoma
- Mucous gland adenoma

Sclerosing pneumocytoma

- Two cells type: round stromal cells and surface cells
- Papillary, sclerotic, solid, haemorrhagic pattern
- Behaves in a clinically benign fashion



• Adenocarcinoma

International Association for the Study of Lung Cancer/American Thoracic Society/European Respiratory Society International Multidisciplinary Classification of Lung Adenocarcinoma

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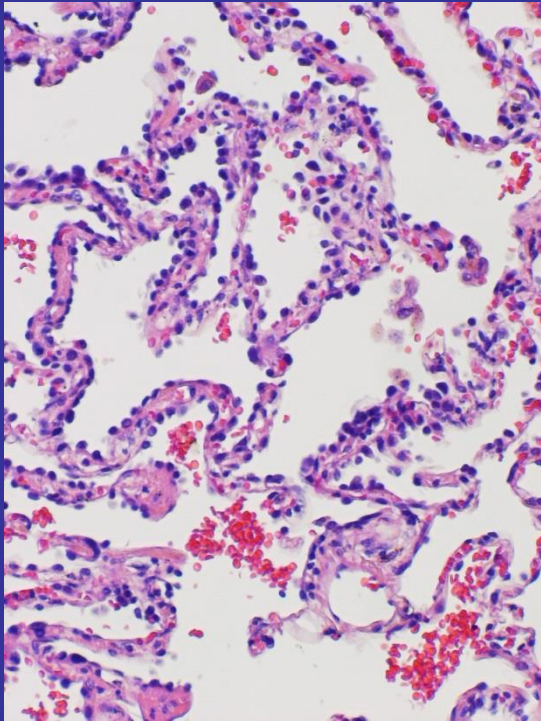
WHO 2004

- Preinvasive lesions
 - AAH
- Invasive adenocarcinoma
- Mixed subtype
- Acinar
- Papillary
- BAC
- Solid
- Variants

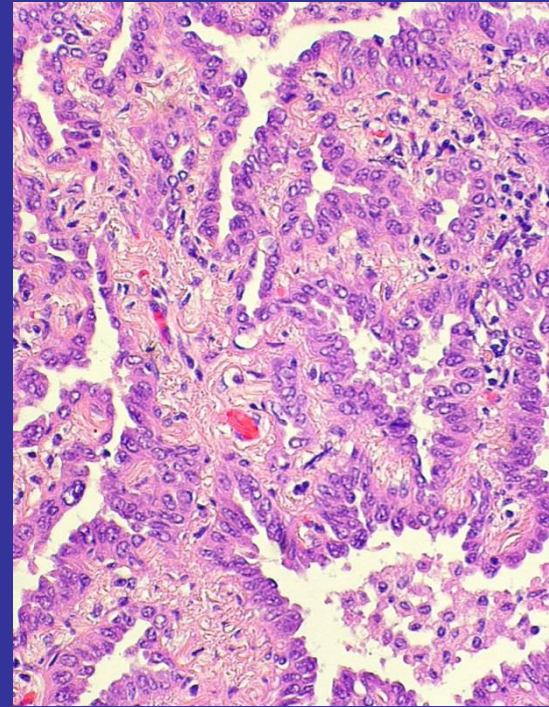
WHO 2015

- Preinvasive lesions
 - AAH
 - AIS (mucinous / non-mucinous)
- Minimally invasive adenocarcinoma (muc / non-muc)
- Invasive adenocarcinoma
 - lepidic (G1)
 - acinar (G2)
 - papillary (G2)
 - micropapillary (G3)
 - solid (G3)
- Variants of invasive adenocarcinoma
 - colloid
 - enteric
 - fetal-type

- **Adenocarcinoma**
- **Preinvasive lesions**

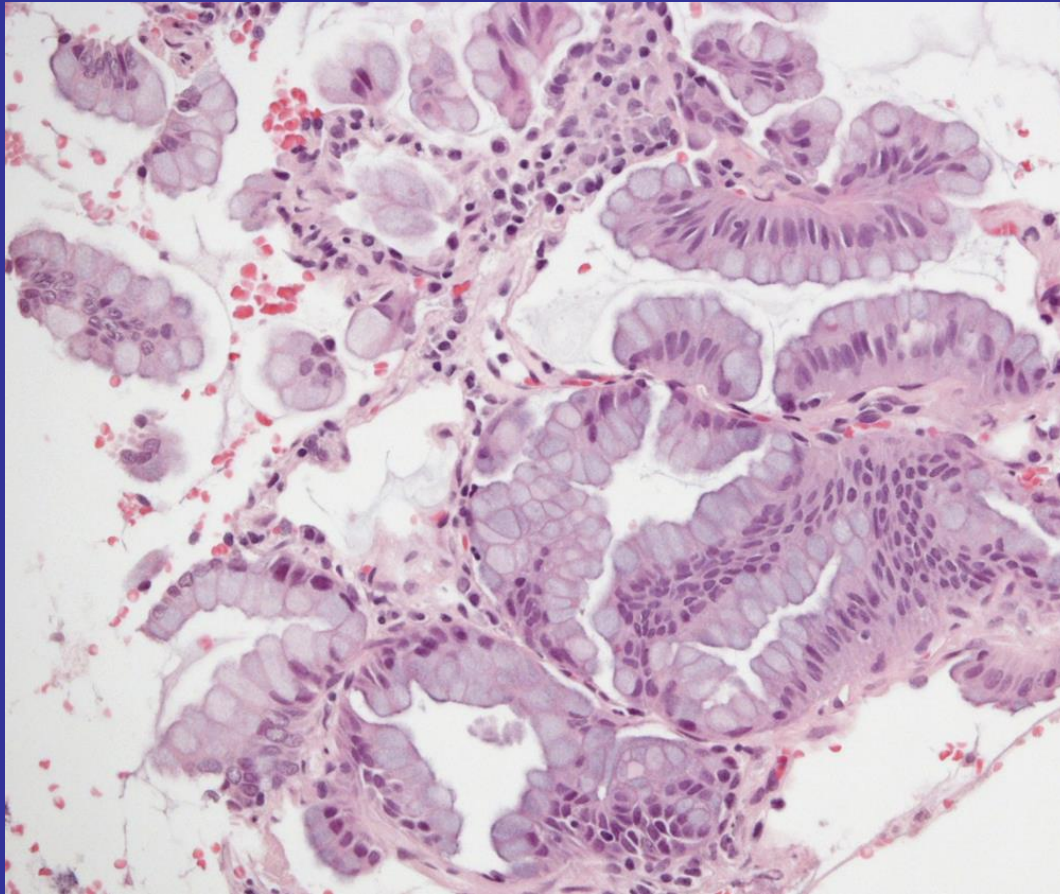


AAH
(≤ 0.5 cm)



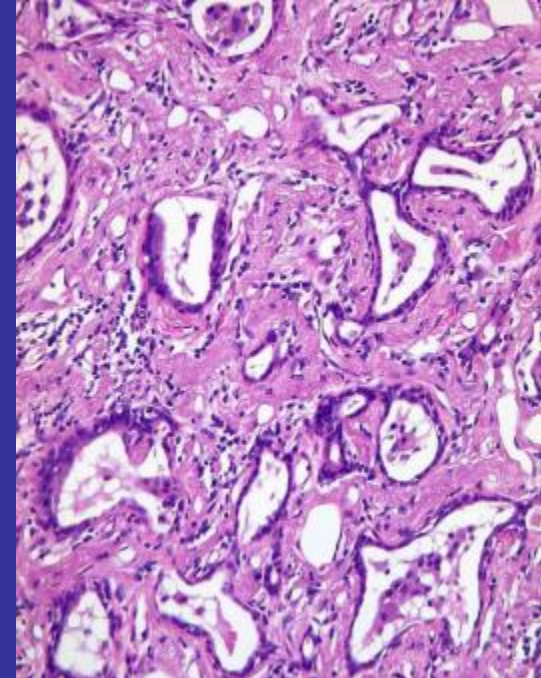
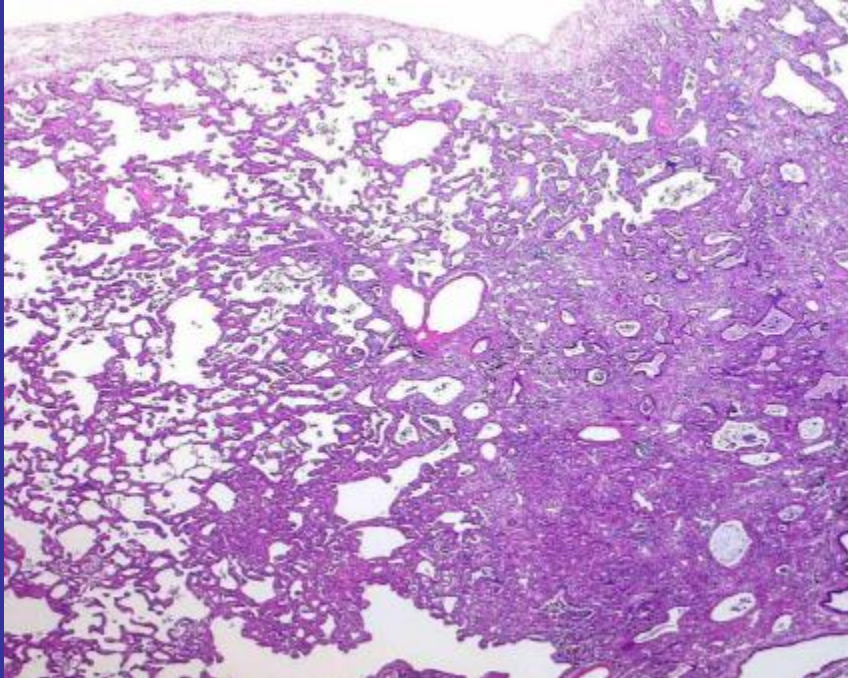
AIS
(≤ 3 cm)

- **Adenocarcinoma**
- Preinvasive lesions



AIS, Mucinous type

- **Adenocarcinoma**
- **Minimally invasive adenocarcinoma**



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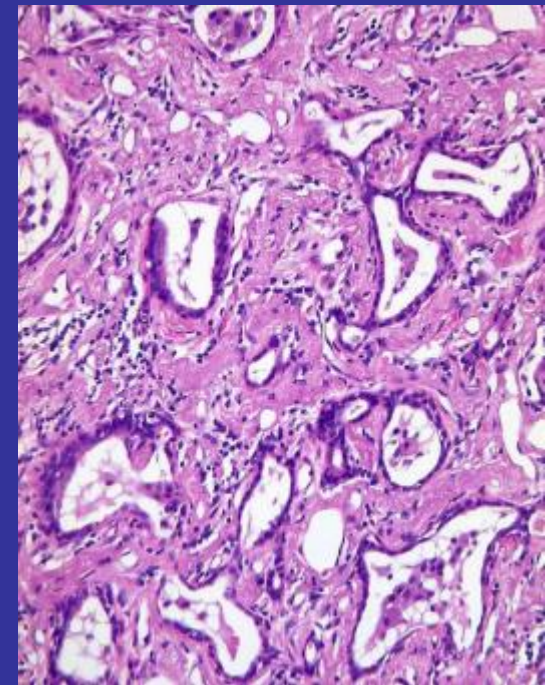
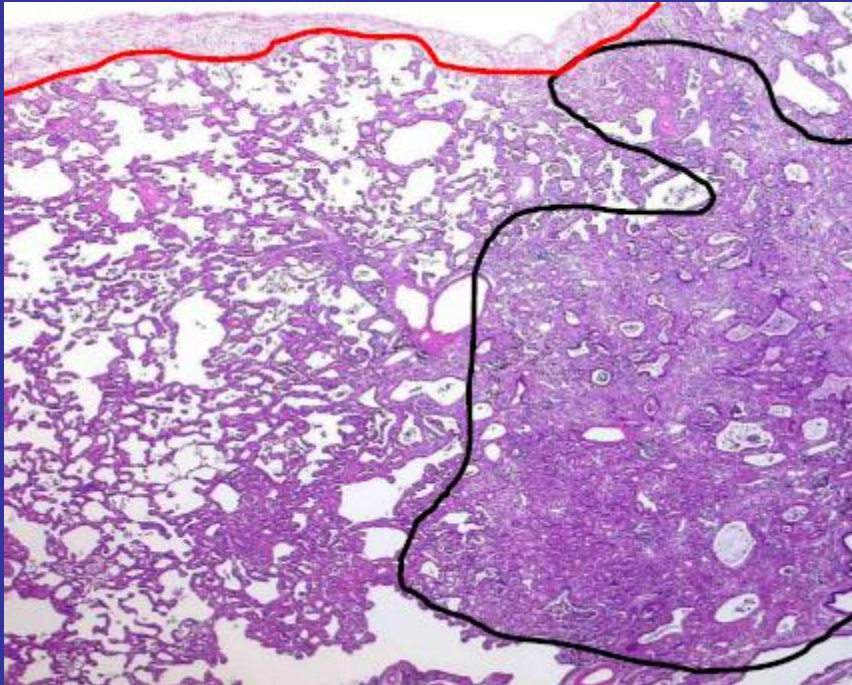
≤ 3 cm
Lepidic predominant

≤ 0.5 cm invasion

~100% disease-free survival

- **Adenocarcinoma**

- **Minimally invasive adenocarcinoma**



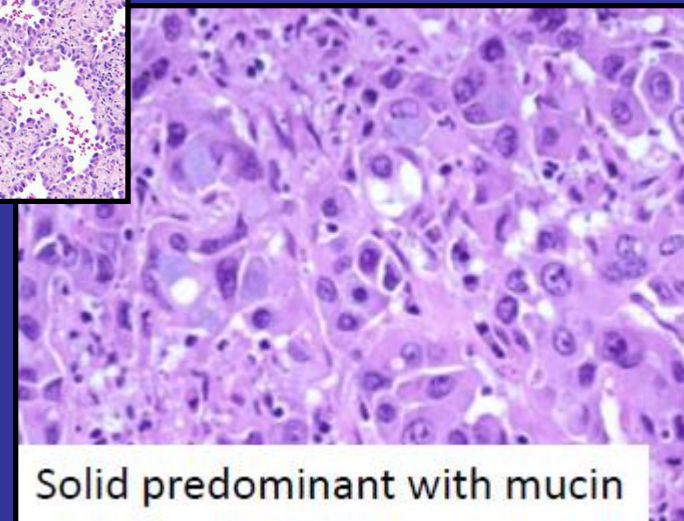
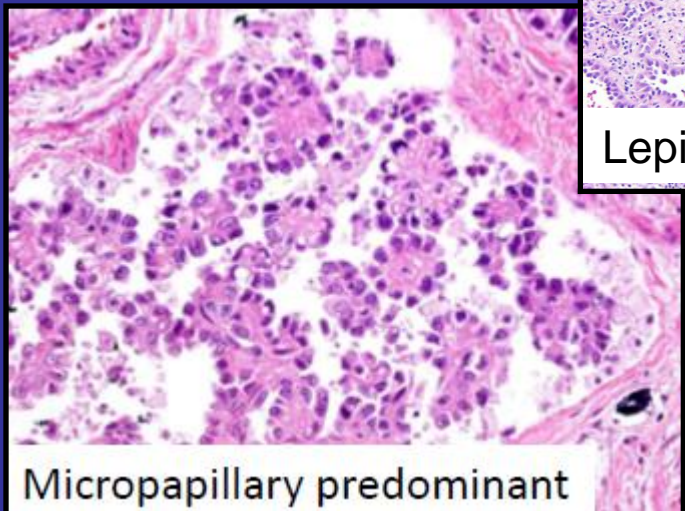
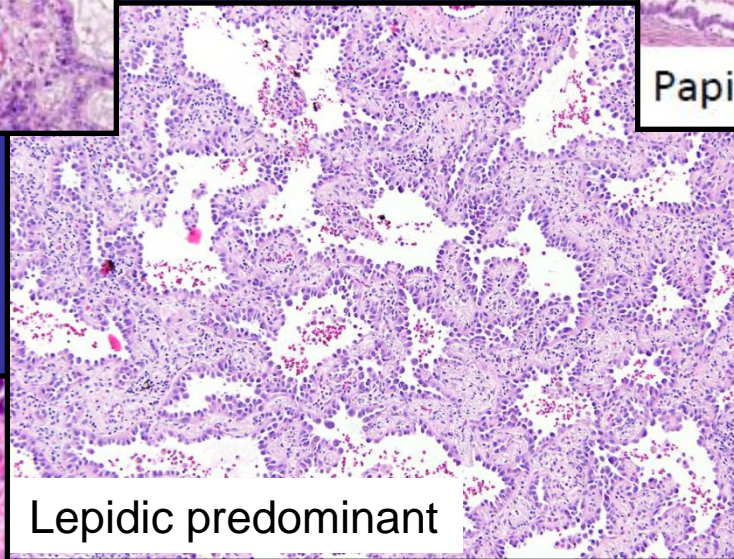
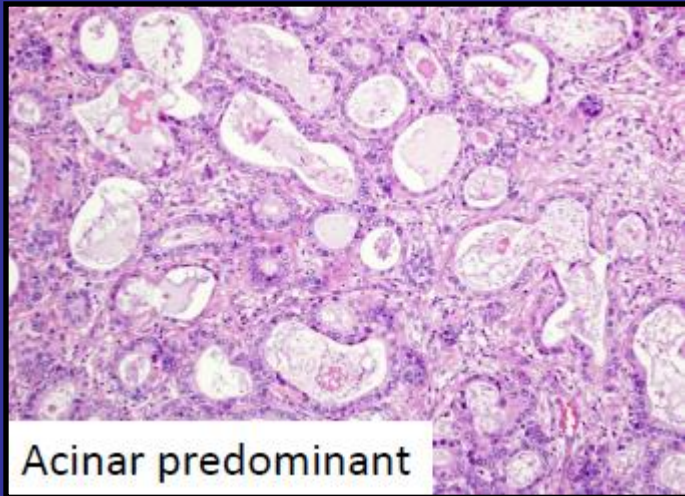
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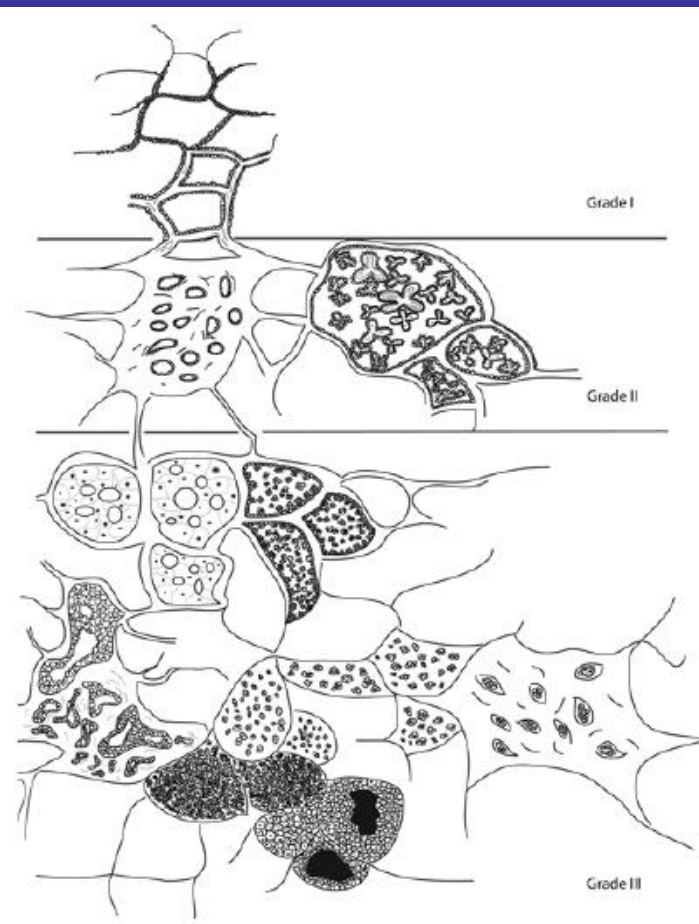
No invasion of lymphatics, blood vessels or pleura, no tumor necrosis

• Adenocarcinoma: patterns



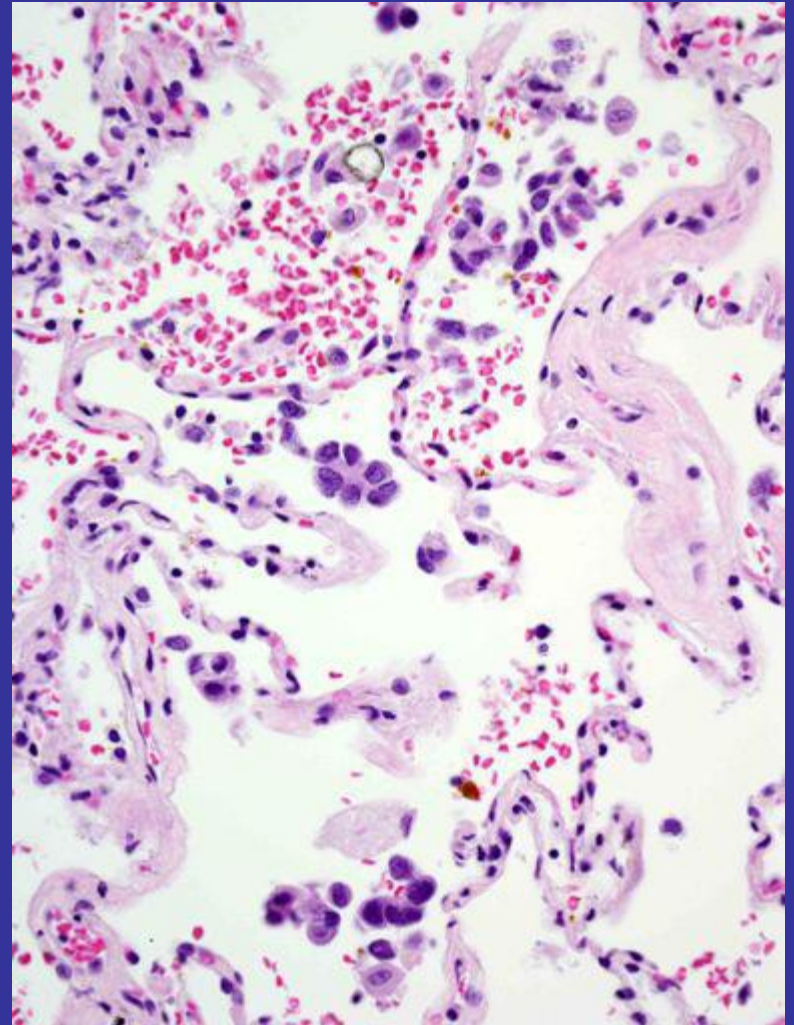
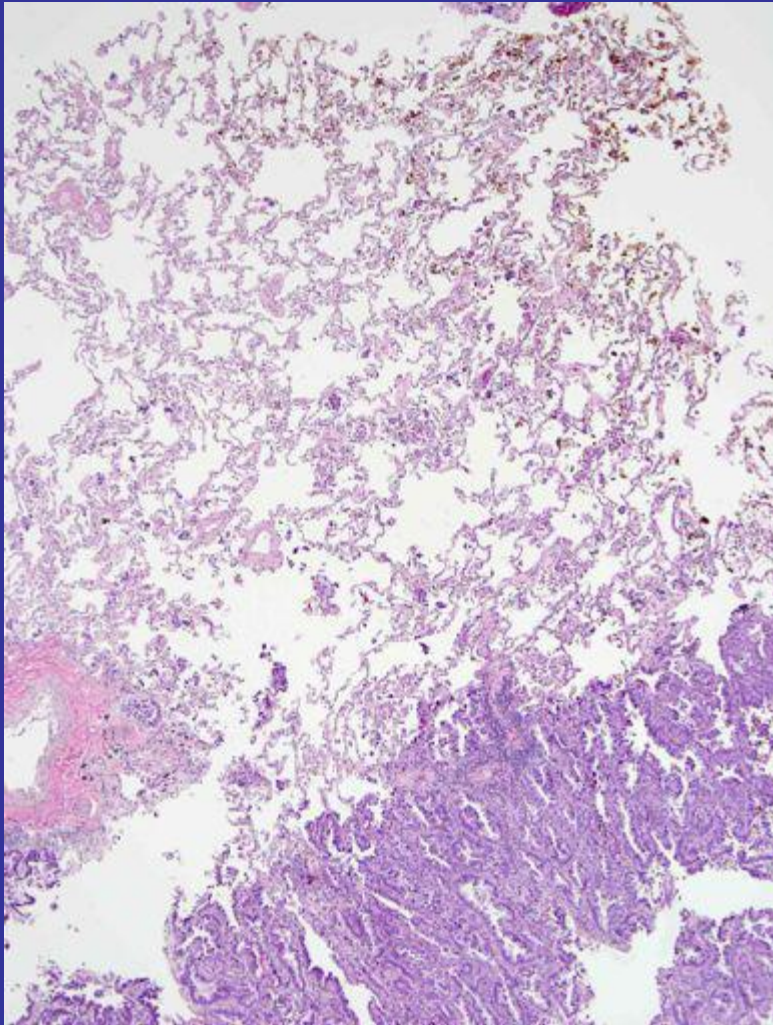
A Grading System of Lung Adenocarcinomas Based on Histologic Pattern is Predictive of Disease Recurrence in Stage I Tumors

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- **Grade I corresponds to WHO 2004 classification of BAC**
- **Grade II corresponds to acinar and papillary patterns**
- **Grade III corresponds to micropapillary, solid, and variants such as cribriform, ragged-anastomosing glands, and dispersed intra-alveolar tumor cells**

Spread Through Alveolar Spaces (STAS)



Travis WD, ECC 2014

Squamous cell carcinoma

WHO 2004

- **Preinvasive lesions**
 - Squamous dysplasia
 - Carcinoma in situ
- **Invasive squamous cell carcinoma**

WHO 2015

- **Preinvasive lesions**
 - Squamous dysplasia
 - Carcinoma in situ
- **Invasive squamous cell carcinoma**
 - keratinizing
 - non-keratinizing
 - basaloid

Neuroendocrine tumors

WHO 2004

- **Preinvasive lesions**
 - DIPNECH
- **Carcinoid tumors**
 - Typical carcinoid
 - Atypical Carcinoid
- **SCLC**
 - Combined SCLC

WHO 2015

- **Preinvasive lesions**
 - DIPNECH
- **Carcinoid tumors**
 - Atypical Carcinoid
 - Typical Carcinoid
- **SCLC**
 - Combined SCLC
- **LCNEC**
 - Combined LCNEC

Large cell carcinoma

- LCNEC
- Basaloid carcinoma
- Lymphoepithelioma-like carcinoma
- Clear cell carcinoma
- LCC with rhabdoid features
- Undifferentiated



Large-cell carcinoma of the lung: a diagnostic category redefined by immunohistochemistry and genomics

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Reference	# of cases	Immunohistochemistry panel	Other studies	# reclassified as ADC	# reclassified as SQC	# unclassified
Monica <i>et al.</i> [12]	54	DSC3, TTF-1	N/A	24 (44%)	26 (48%)	4 (8%)
Barbareschi <i>et al.</i> [51]	56	TTF-1, p63, CK5, CK7, Napsin A, p40, DSC3	miR205 and miR21 profiling	19 (34%) with IHC alone 37 (66%) with IHC and miRNA profile	14 (25%) with IHC alone 19 (34%) with IHC and miRNA profile	23 (41%) with IHC alone 0 with IHC and miRNA profile
Rekhtman <i>et al.</i> [11**]	102	TTF-1, p40	N/A	62 (61%) ^b	20 (20%)	20 (20%)
Rossi <i>et al.</i> [52*]	74	TTF-1, p63, CK5/6, CK7, Napsin A, p40, DSC3, chromogranin, synaptophysin, CD56	N/A	40 (80%)	6 (12%)	4 (8%)
				ADC 55 %	SCC 26 %	Null 19 %

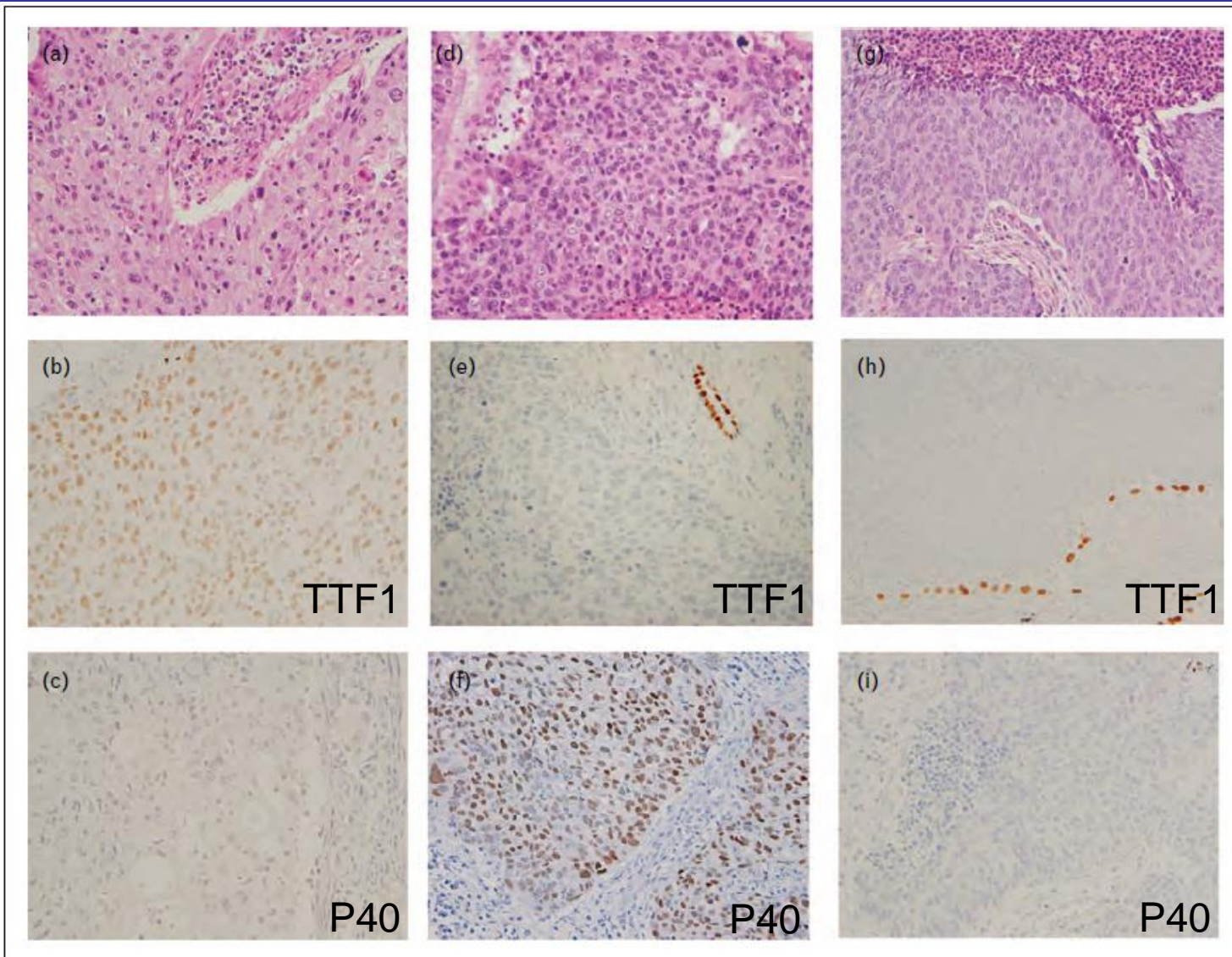
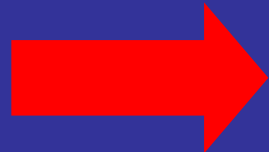


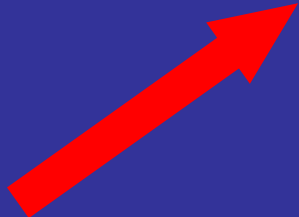
FIGURE 1. The differential immunophenotype of morphologic large-cell carcinomas (LCCs). (a) LCC, adenocarcinoma immunophenotype, with (b) TTF-1 expression and (c) absent P40 expression. (d) LCC, squamous immunophenotype, with (e) absent TTF-1 expression and (f) P40 expression. (g) LCC, null phenotype, with (h) absent TTF-1 and (i) P40 expression. All images at 400 \times .

- LELC

- Basaloid



**Variants of
squamous cell carcinoma**



- Clear cell



- Undifferentiated

Rhabdoid



**Variants of
adenocarcinoma**

LCNEC



**Variant of
neuroendocrine tumor**

WHO 2004



WHO 2015

Sarcomatoid carcinoma

- Pleomorphic, spindle cell, giant cell carcinoma
- Carcinosarcoma
- Pulmonary blastoma

Pleomorphic carcinoma

Spindle cell carcinoma

Giant cell carcinoma

Carcinosarcoma

Pulmonary blastoma

Salivary gland type tumors

- Mucoepidermoid carcinoma
- Adenoid cystic carcinoma
- Epithelial-myoepithelial carcinoma
- Pleomorphic adenoma

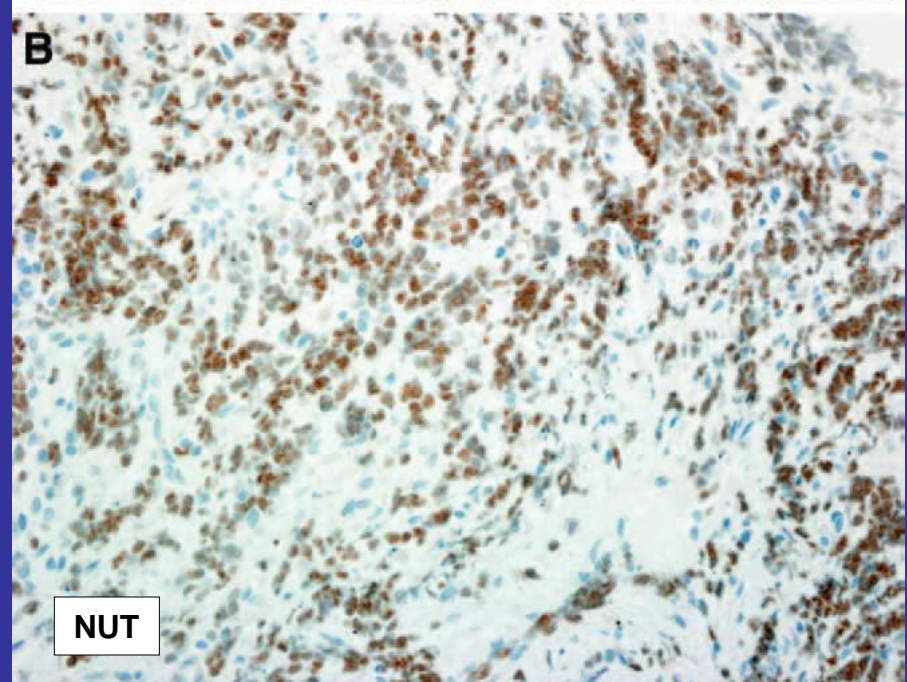
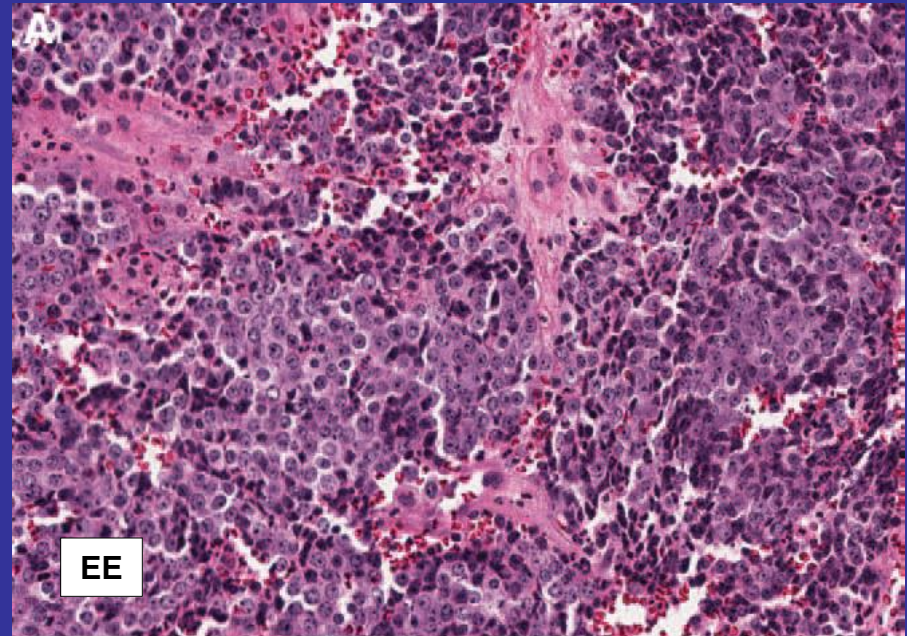
Adenosquamous carcinoma

Other and unclassified carcinoma

- Lymphoepitelioma-like
- NUT carcinoma

NUT carcinoma

- Chromosomal rearrangement in the NUT gene
- Recognized in the thymus in the WHO 2004 as NUT midline carcinoma
- Very aggressive tumor (median survival of 7 months)

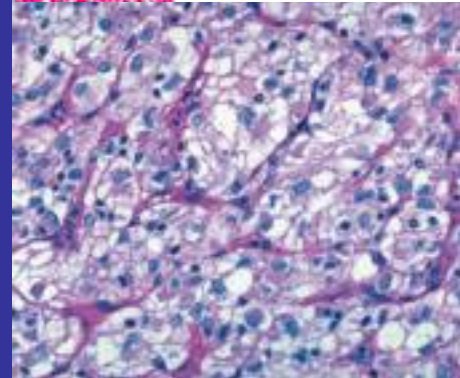
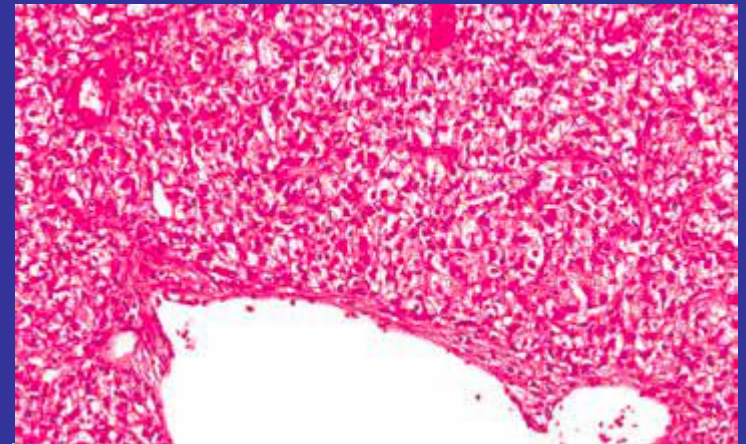
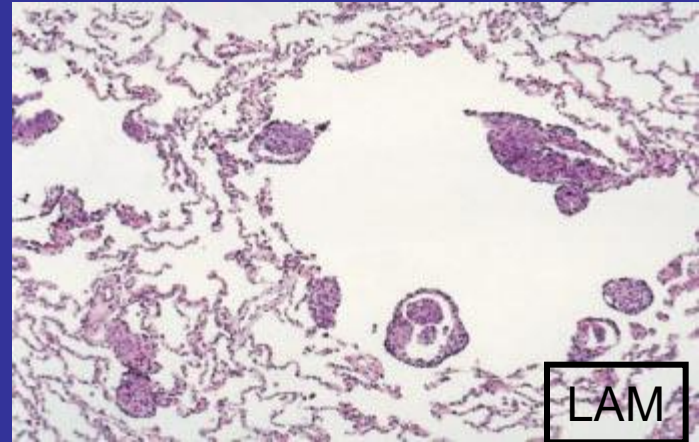


• Mesenchymal tumors

- Pulmonary hamartoma
- Chondroma
- PEComatous tumors
- Congenital peribronchial myofibroblastic tumor
- Diffuse pulmonary lymphangiomatosis
- Inflammatory myofibroblastic tumor
- Epithelioid hemangioendothelioma
- Pleuropulmonary blastoma
- Synovial sarcoma
- Pulmonary artery intimal sarcoma
- Pulmonary myxoid sarcoma with EWRS1-CREB1 translocation
- Myoepithelial tumors/myoepithelial carcinoma
- Others

PEC-omatous tumor

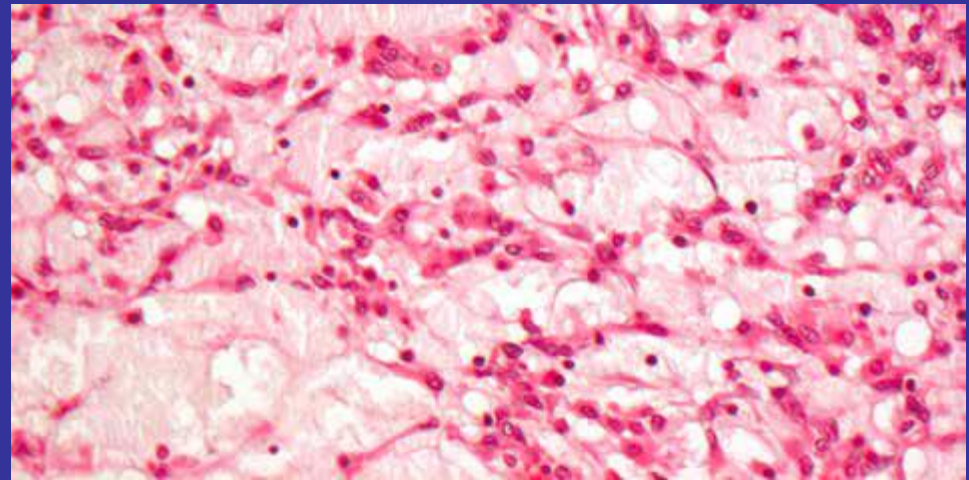
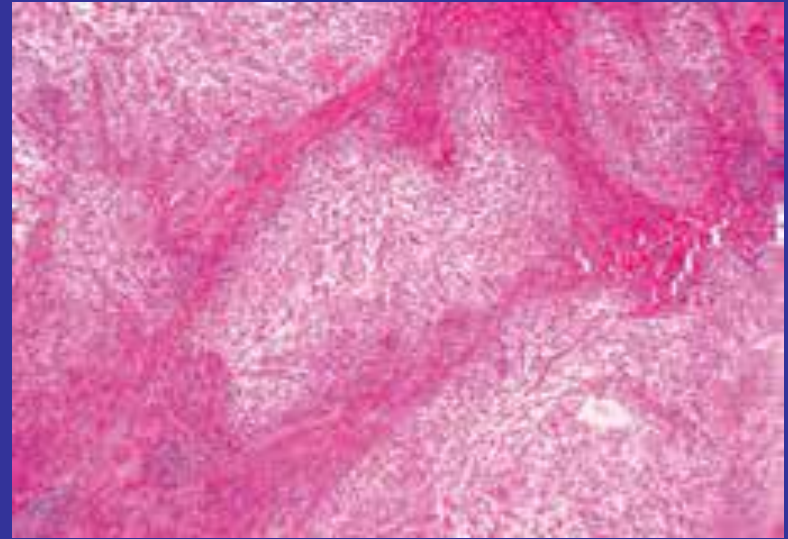
- Arise from perivascular epithelioid cells
- Several form
 - Diffuse multicystic proliferation (LAM)
 - Benign localized mass (clear cell tumor/PEComa)
 - Pecomoma, malignant
- Biallelic mutations in the tuberous sclerosis gene TSC2, target of rapamycin pathway (mTOR)



Clear cell

Pulmonary myxoid sarcoma with EWSR1-CREB1 translocation

- Endobronchial
- Lobulated architecture, fibrous pseudocapsule
- Composed of spindle, stellate, polygonal cell in a prominent myxoid stroma
- EWSR1-CREB1 fusion gene



• Lymphohistiocytic tumors

- Marginal zone B-cell lymphoma of MALT origin
- DLBCL
- LYG
- Intravascular lymphoma
- Langerhans cell histiocytosis
- Erdheim-Chester disease

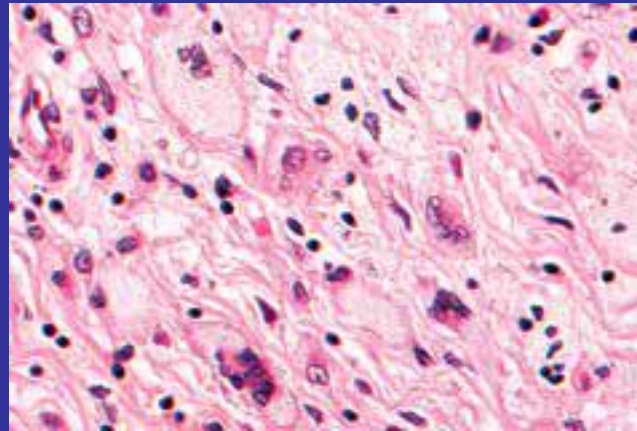
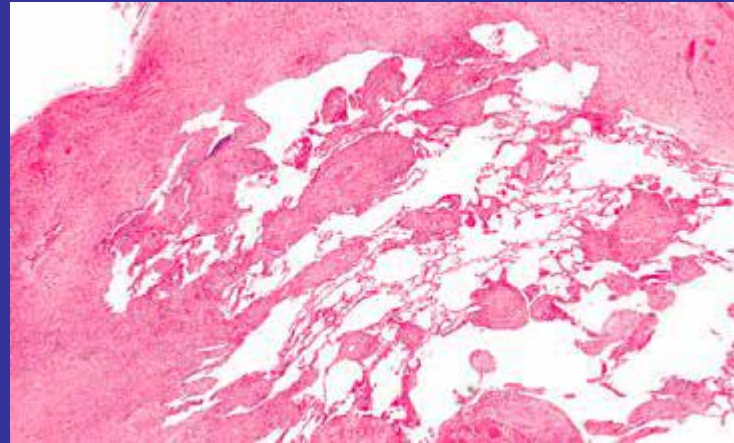
• Tumors of ectopic origin

- Germ cell tumors
- Intrapulmonary thymoma
- Melanoma
- Meningioma

• Metastases to the lung

Erdheim-Chester disease

- Is a rare xanthogranulomatous istiocytosis
- In the lung leads to interstitial fibrosis with a perilymphatic distribution
- Other extarskeletal manifestations
- BRAF V600e mutations detected in 54% of patients



Conclusions

Small samples:

- Recommended to reduce using the term NSCLC NOS as much as possible and classify tumors according to tier specific histological subtype
- Safe tissue for predictive markers

Immunohistochemistry:

- Recommended, not only for small biopsies/cytology, but also for resected specimens

ADC:

- Defined by morphology or expression of pneumocytic markers

SCC:

- Defined by morphology or expression of squamos markers

LLC:

- Only on resections
- No squamos, adeno-or neuroendocrine differentiation by morphology and immunohistochemistry



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