

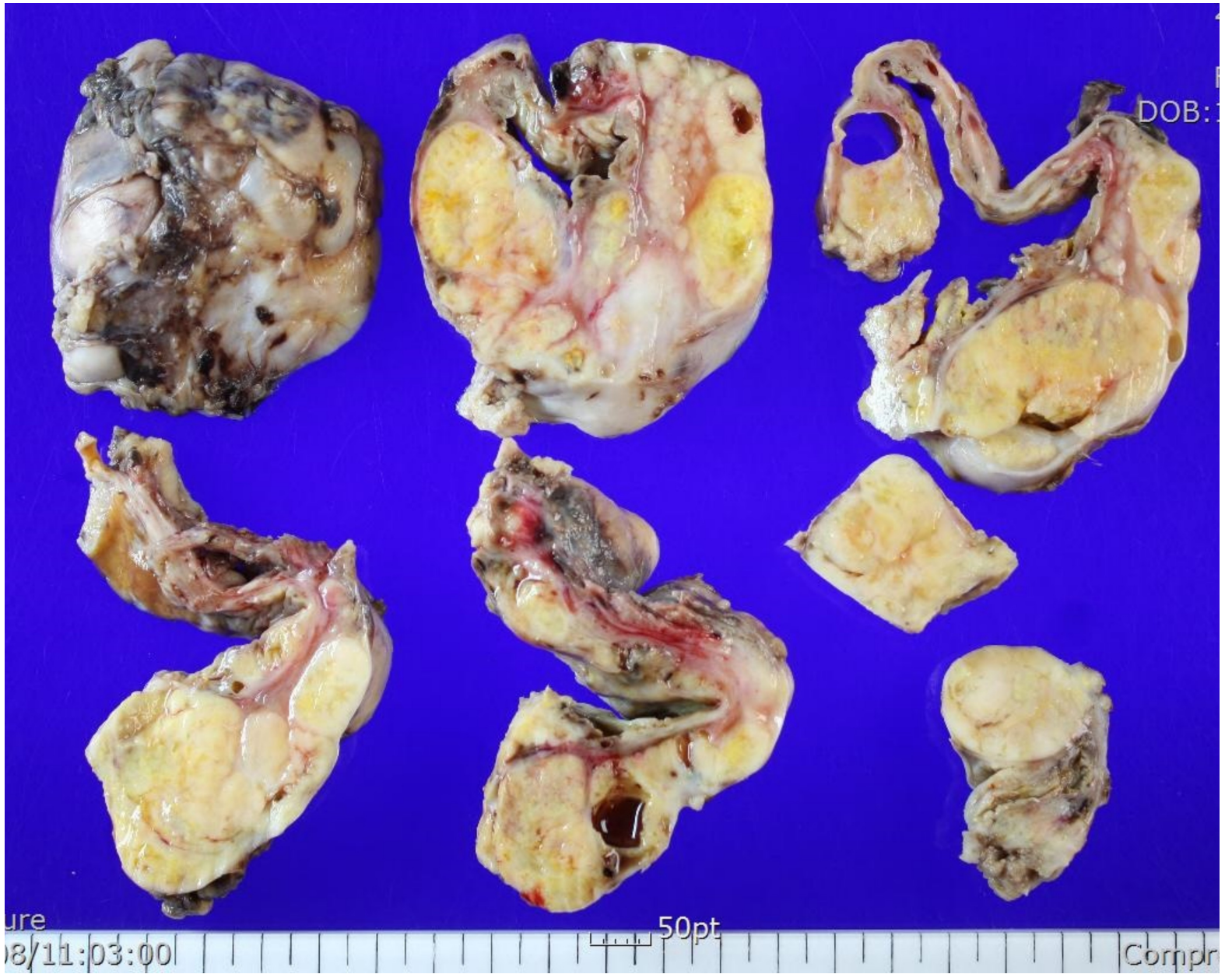
# Pathology

## Case study

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# Case1





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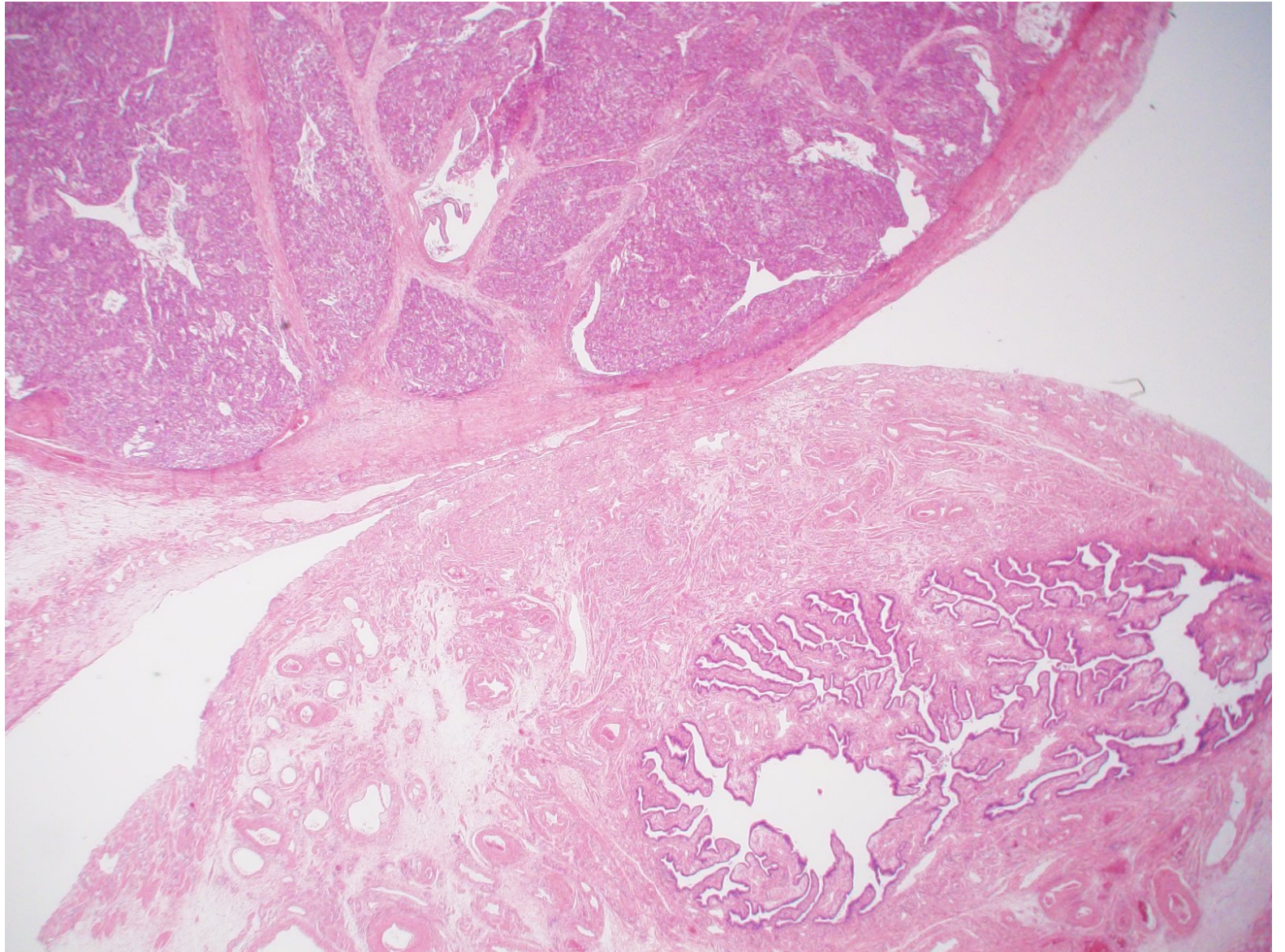
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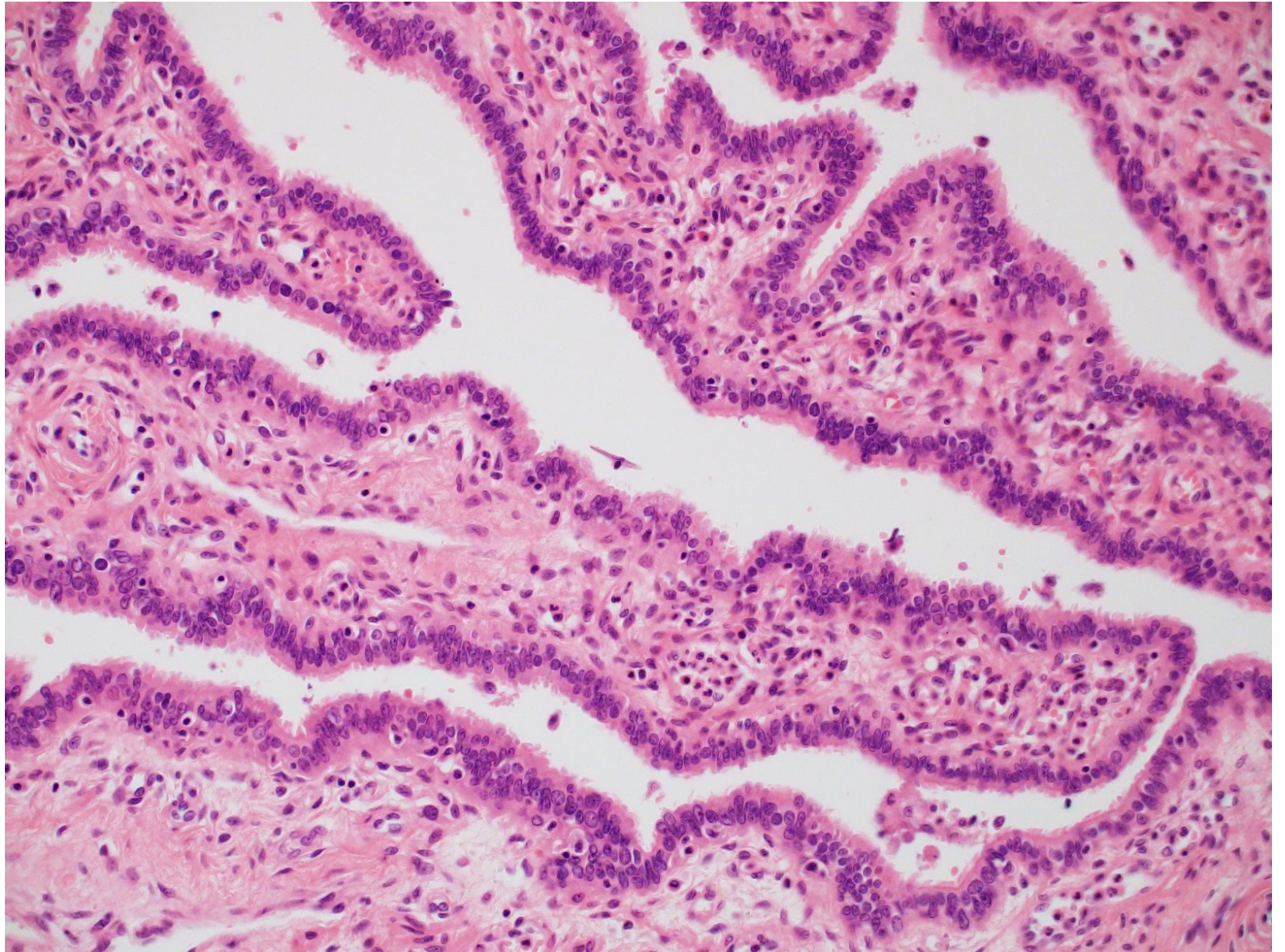
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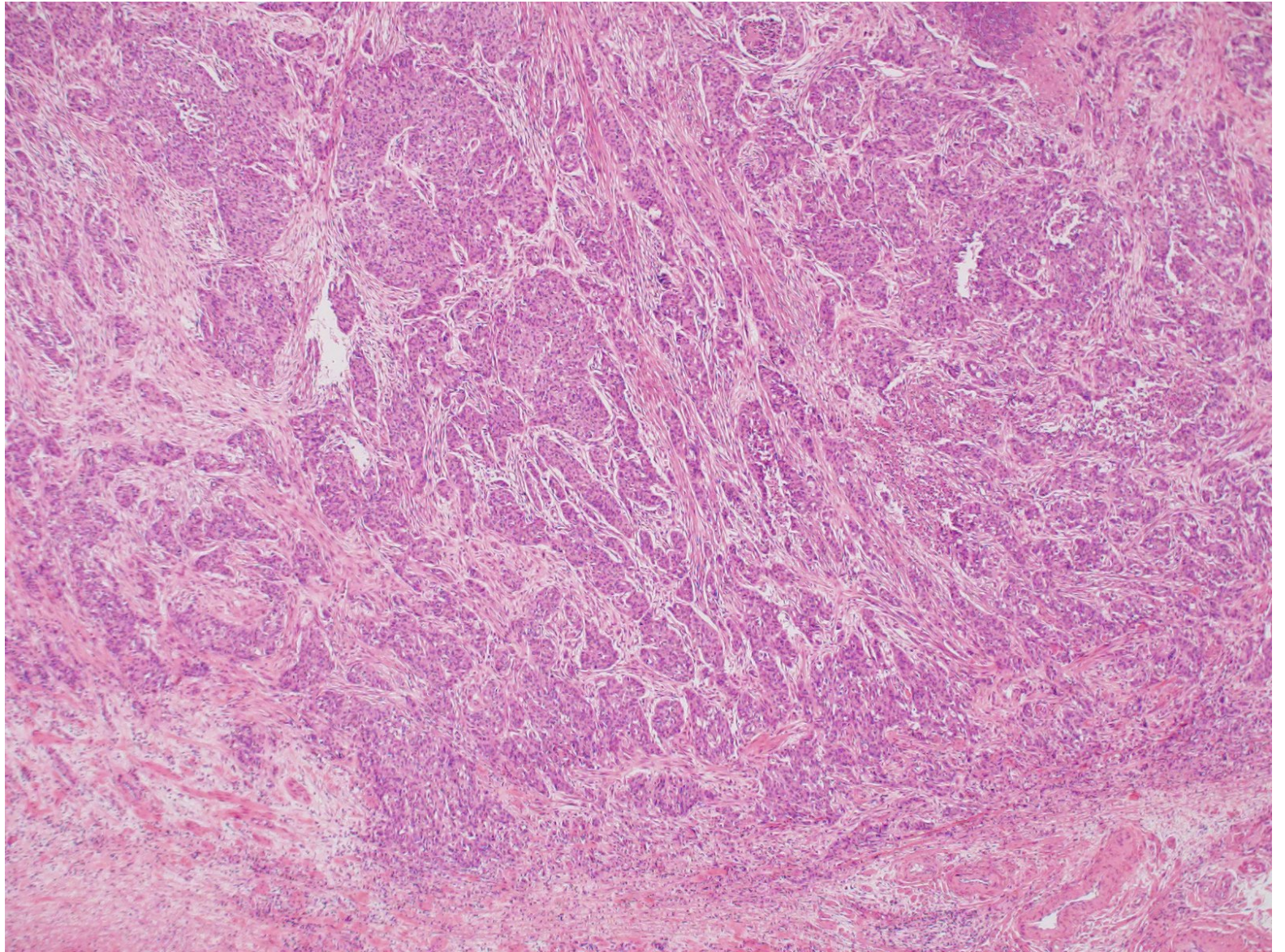




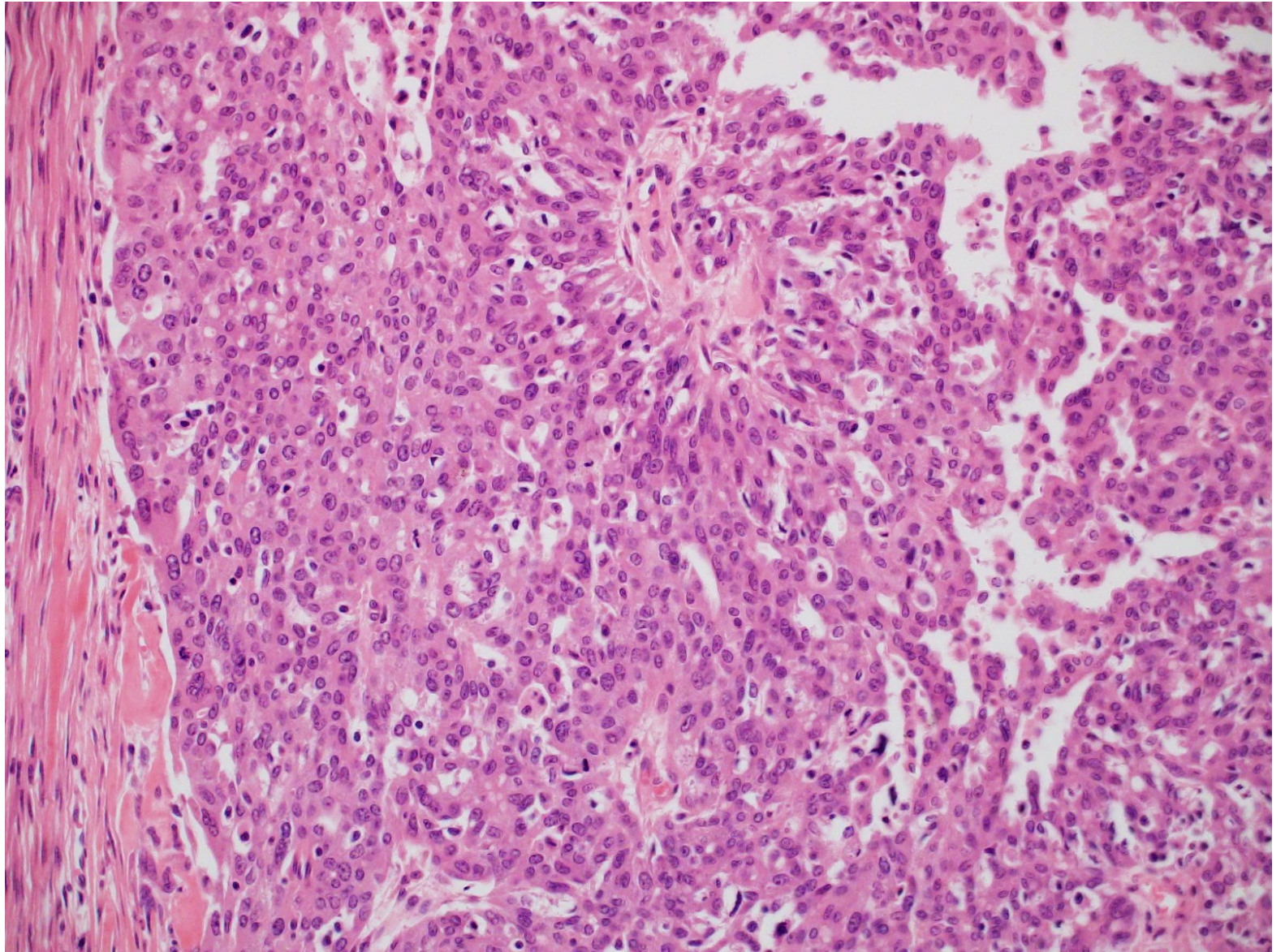




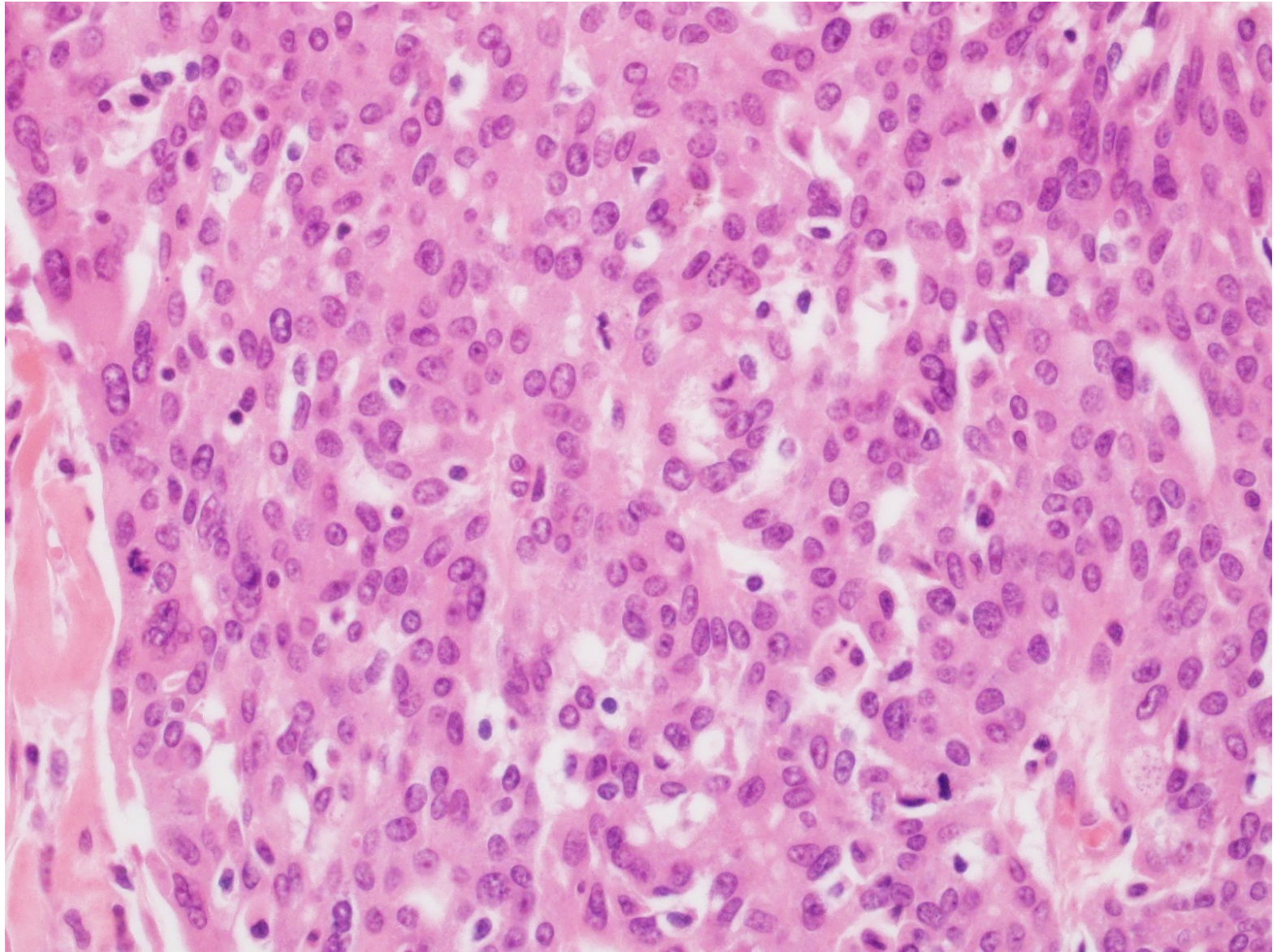




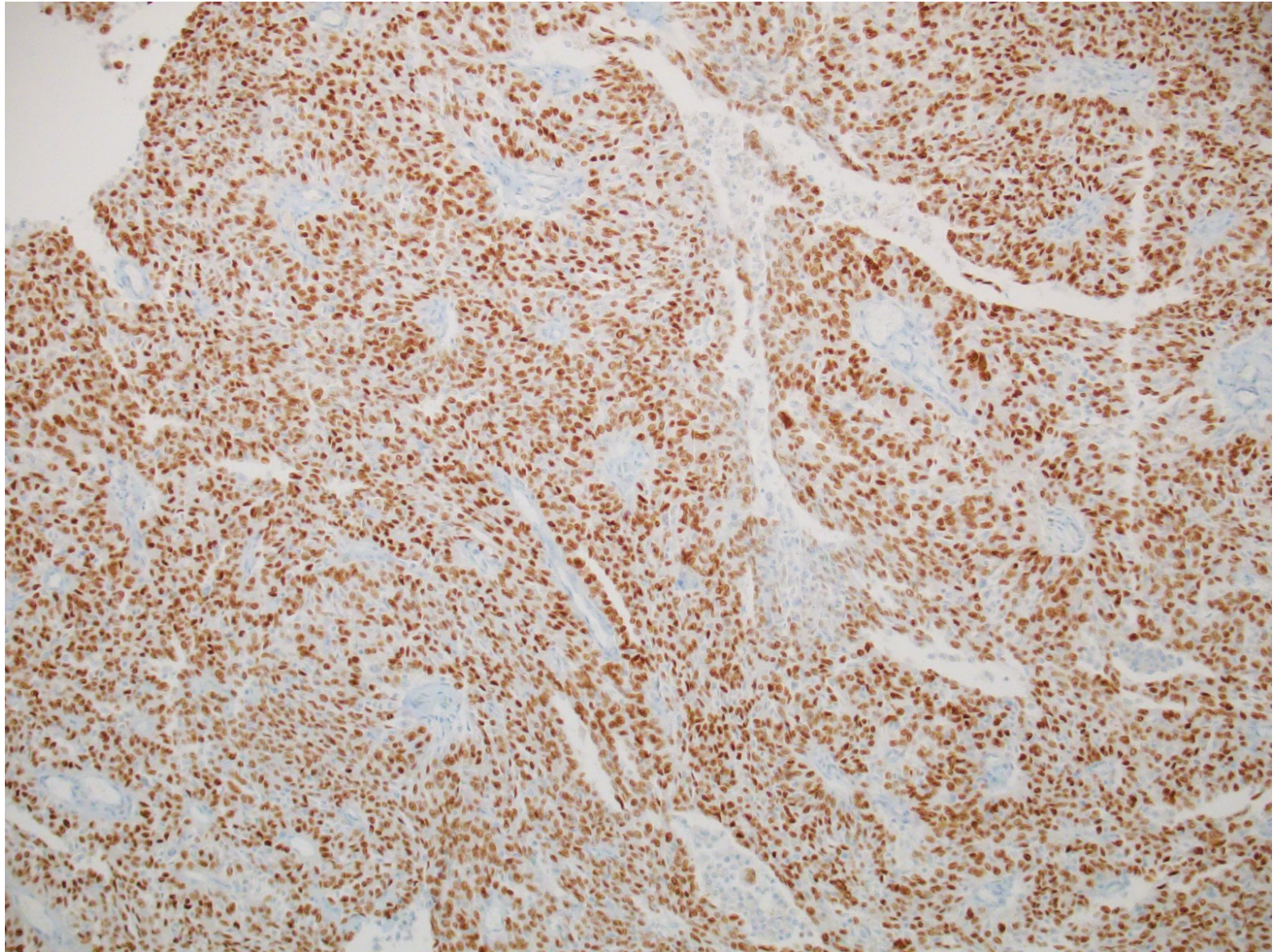








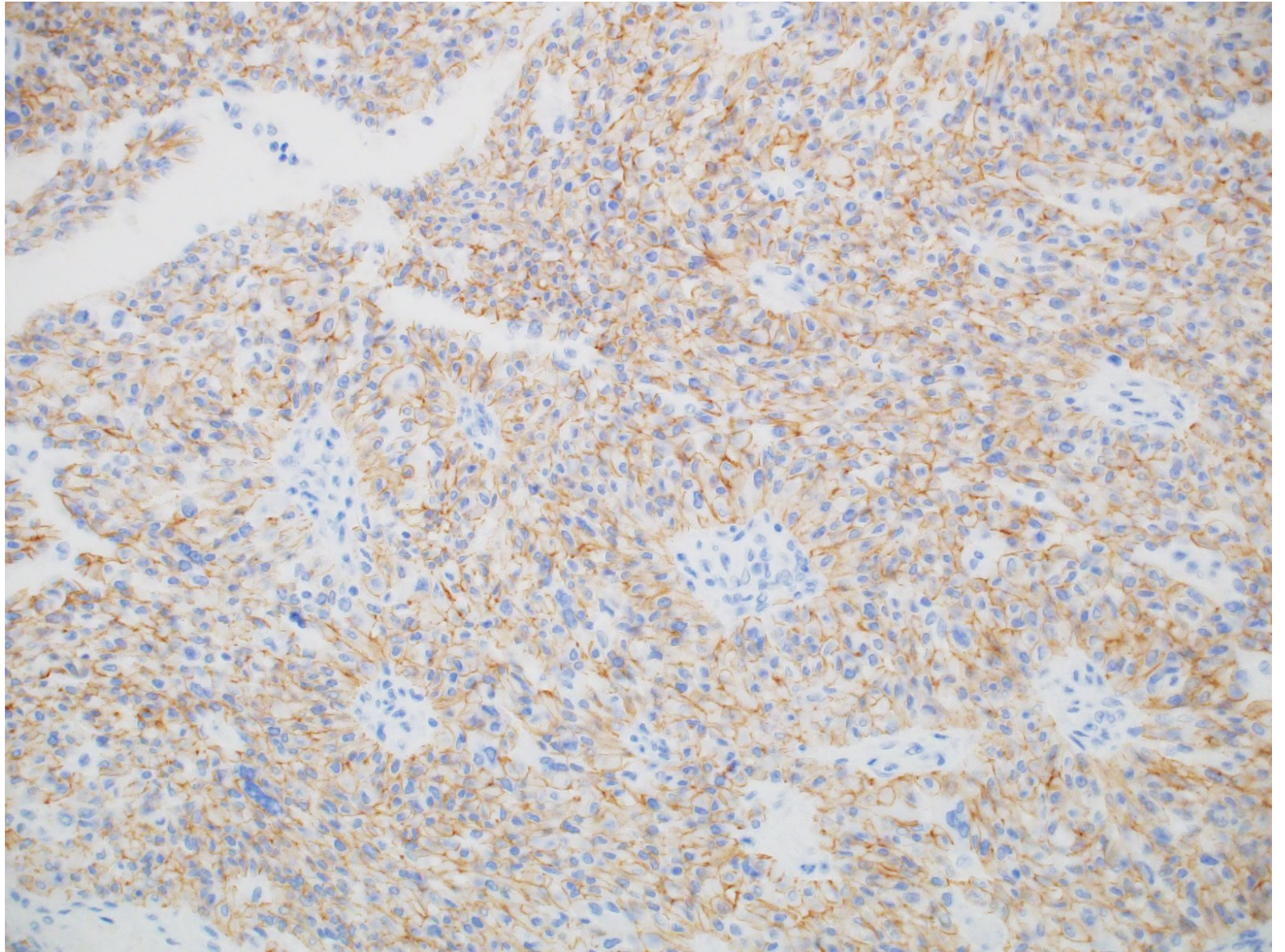




# p53

- DNA damage and repair
  - Regulation or progression through the cell cycle
  - Apoptosis
  - Genomic stability
- Mutation
  - Null-type
  - Gain-of-function
  - 95% of high-grade serous carcinoma



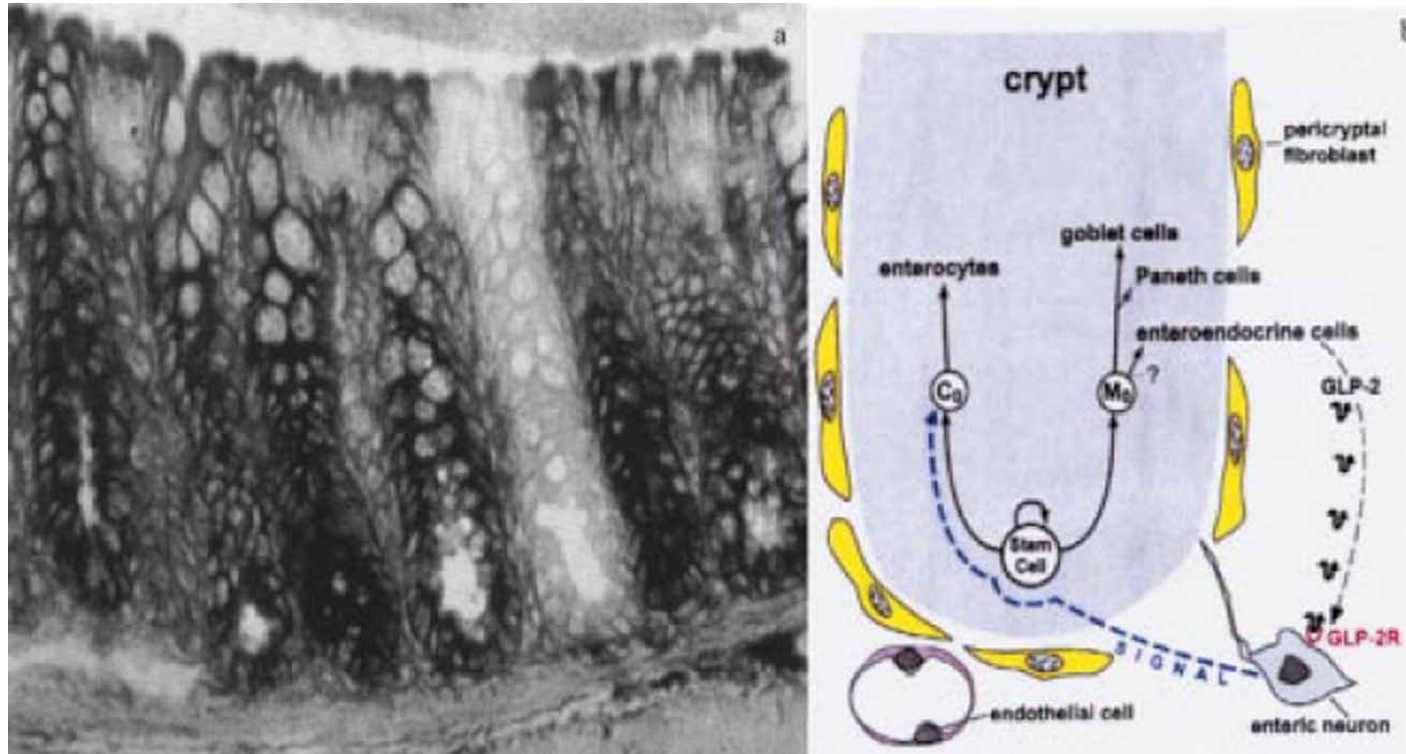


# E-cadherin

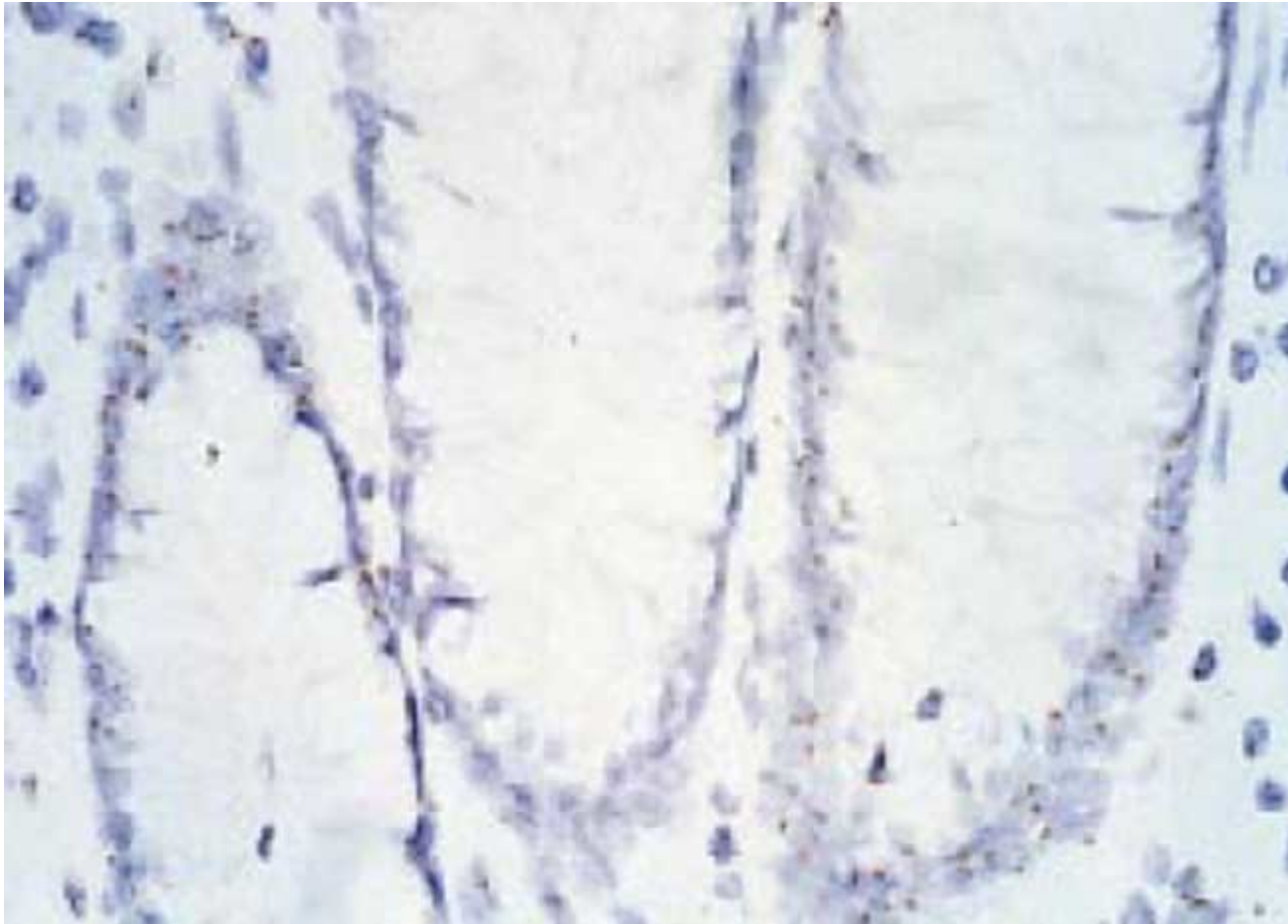
- Key component of the **adherens junctions** that are integral in **cell-cell adhesion**
- As a marker of epithelium
- Loss of E-cadherin in some cancers
  - Lobular carcinoma of breast
  - Poorly cohesive carcinoma of stomach



# The stem cell niche hypothesis



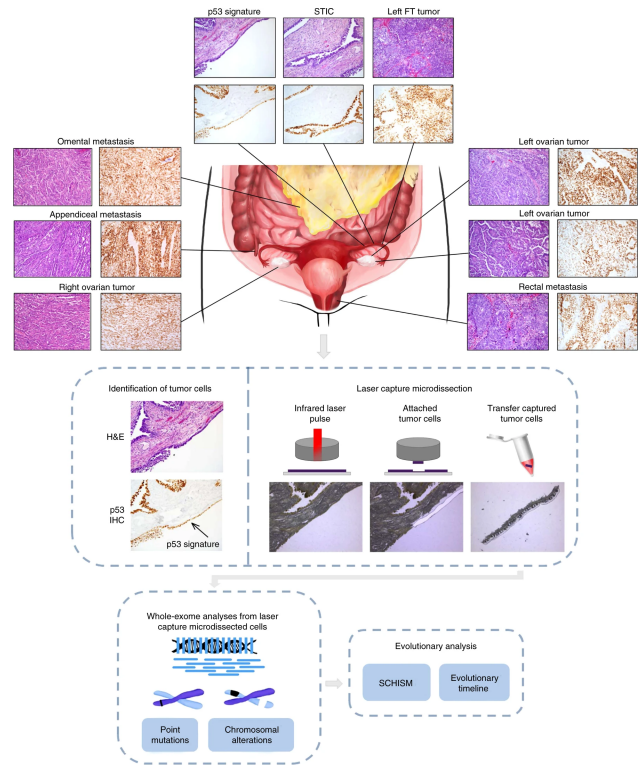
## Monoclonal origin of colonic crypts in an XO/XY patient





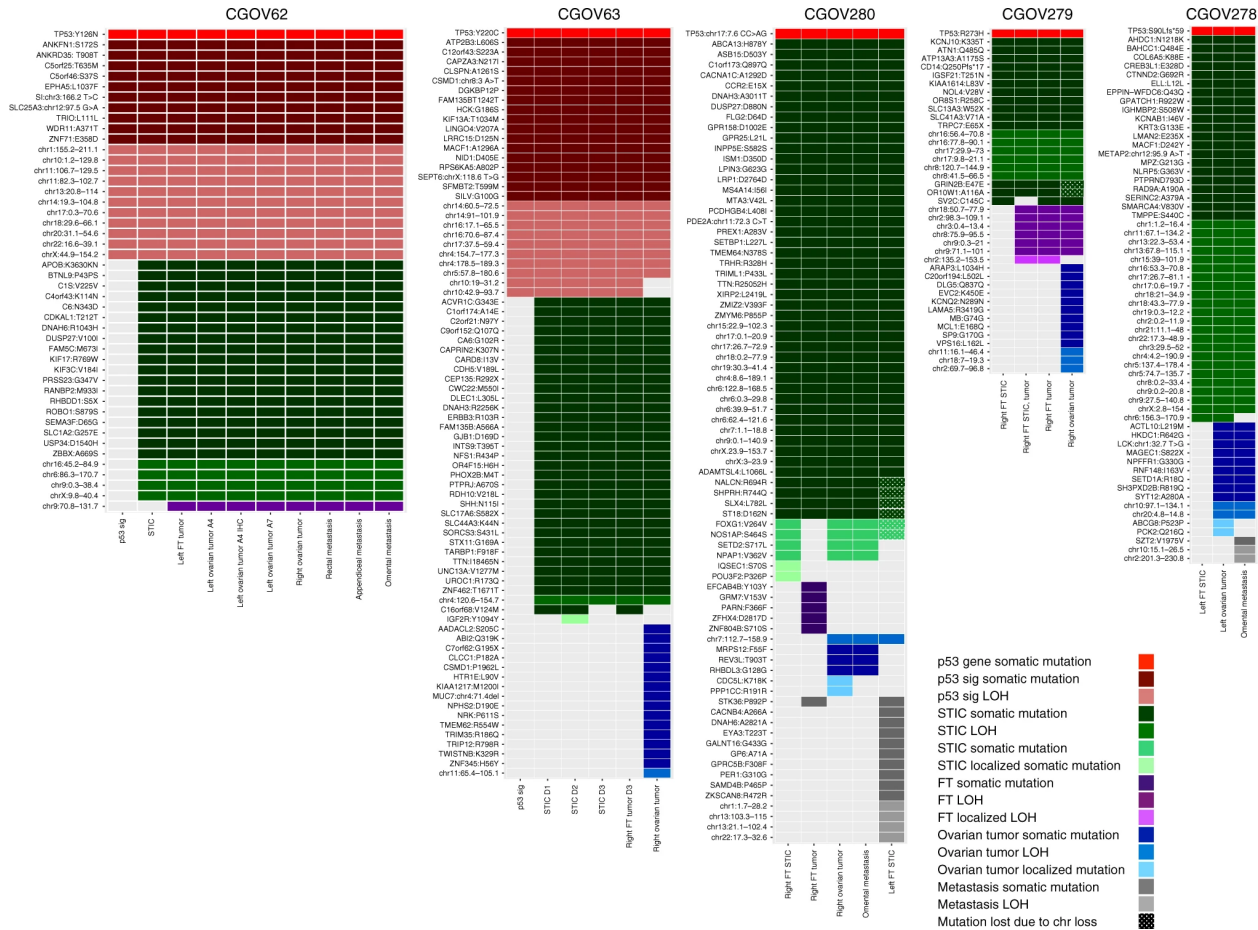
# Robbins definition

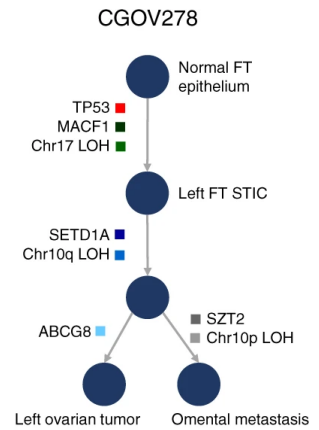
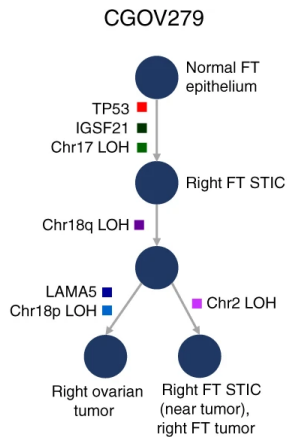
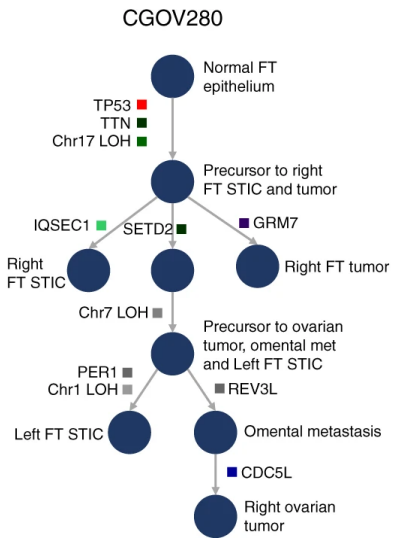
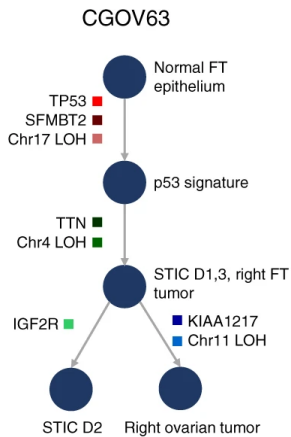
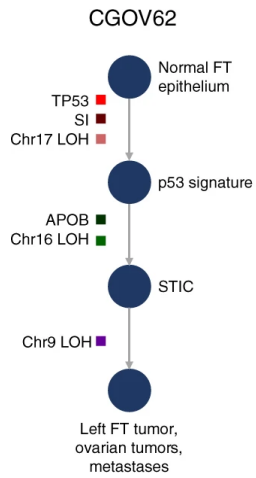
A neoplasm is defined as a genetic disorder of cell growth that is triggered by acquired or less commonly inherited mutations affecting a single cell and its clonal progeny.



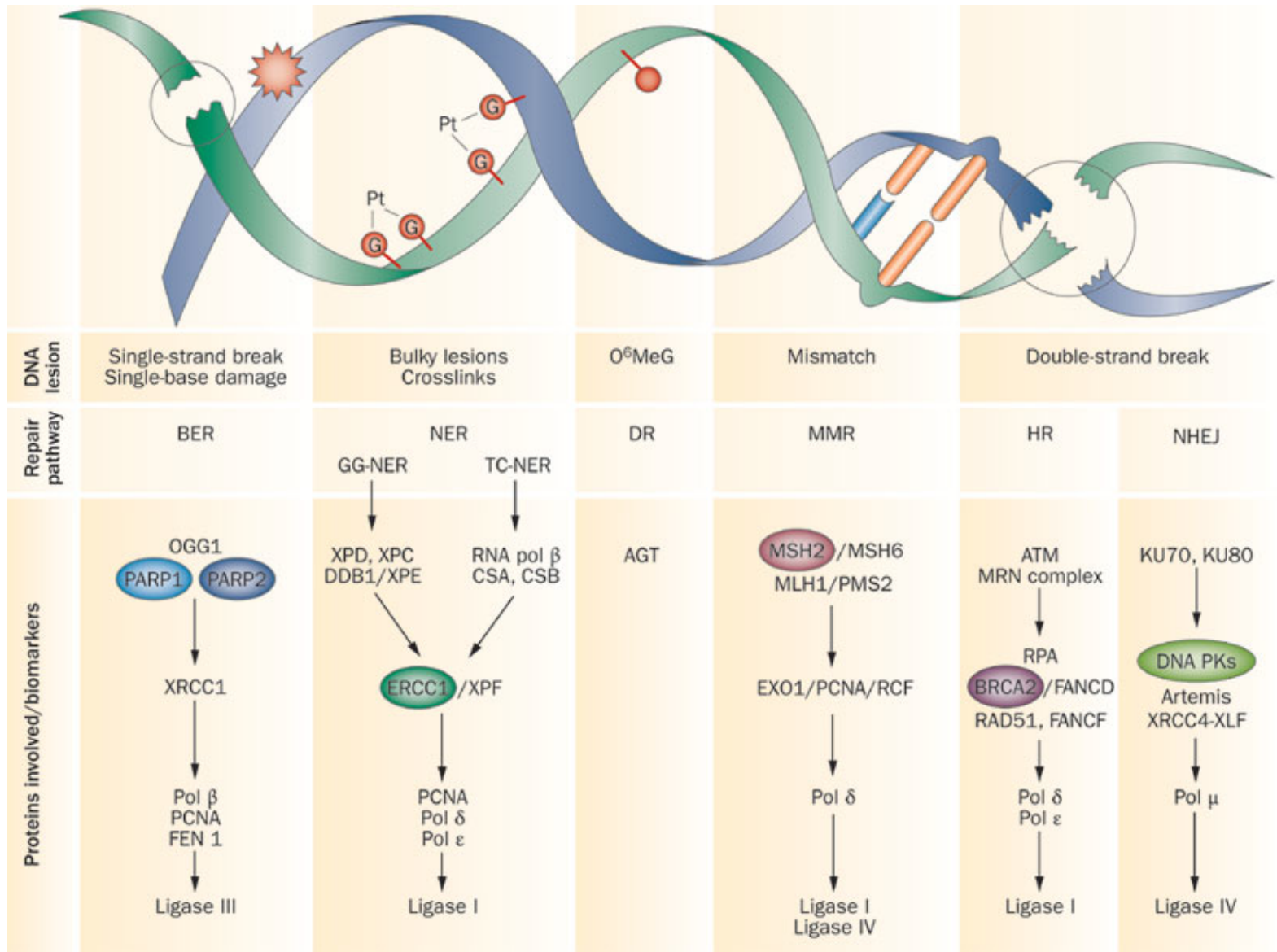
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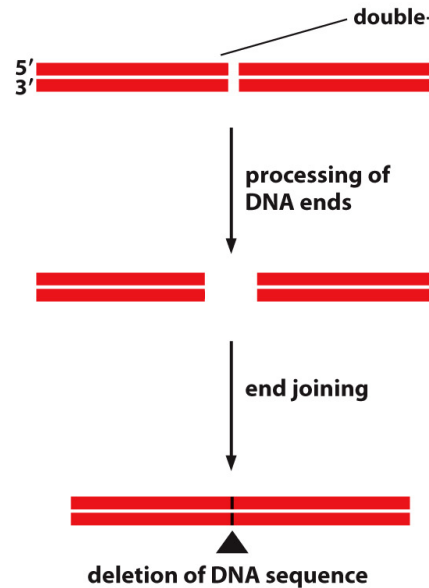
# Double Strand Break (DSB)

- The most deleterious form of DNA damage
- Generated by
  - IR radiation
  - Free radicals
  - Topoisomerase II inhibitor
  - VDJ recombination
  - Meiotic recombination
- Repaired by two major pathways
  - Homologous recombination (HR)
  - Nonhomologous end-joining (NHEJ)



# Double Strand Break (DSB)

## (A) NONHOMOLOGOUS END JOINING



## (B) HOMOLOGOUS RECOMBINATION

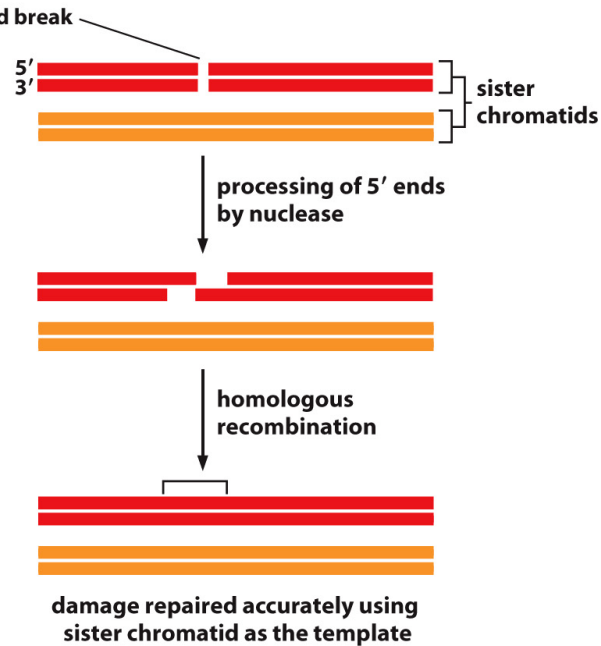
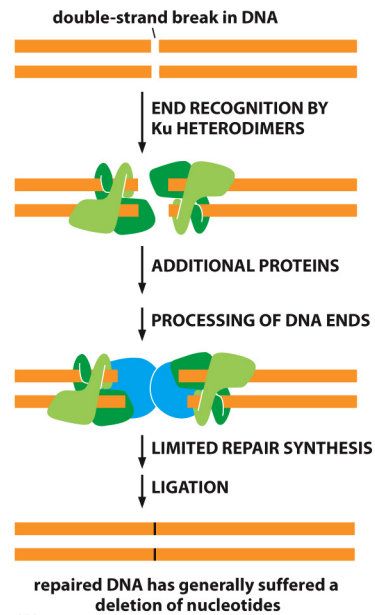


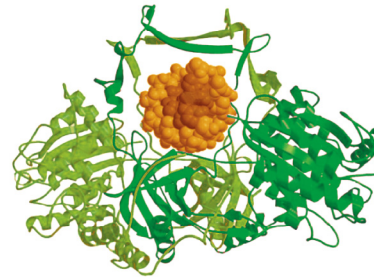
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# Nonhomologous end-joining



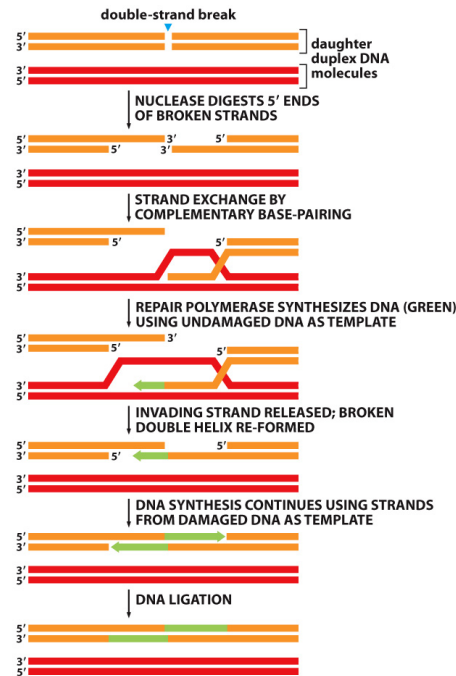
(A)

Figure 5-46 Molecular Biology of the Cell 6e (© Garland Science 2015)





# Homologous recombination



**DOUBLE-STRAND BREAK IS ACCURATELY REPAIRED**

Figure 5-48 Molecular Biology of the Cell 6e (© Garland Science 2015)

# Diseases Due to Defects in DNA Repair

<b>TABLE 5-2 Some Inherited Human Syndromes with Defects in DNA Repair</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Phenotype</b>	<b>Enzyme or process affected</b>
<b>MSH2, 3, 6, MLH1, PMS2</b>	<b>Colon cancer</b>	<b>Mismatch repair</b>
<b>Xeroderma pigmentosum (XP) groups A–G</b>	<b>Skin cancer, UV sensitivity, neurological abnormalities</b>	<b>Nucleotide excision repair</b>
<b>Cockayne syndrome</b>	<b>UV sensitivity; developmental abnormalities</b>	<b>Coupling of nucleotide excision repair to transcription</b>
<b>XP variant</b>	<b>UV sensitivity, skin cancer</b>	<b>Translesion synthesis by DNA polymerase <math>\nu</math></b>
<b>Ataxia telangiectasia (AT)</b>	<b>Leukemia, lymphoma, <math>\gamma</math>-ray sensitivity, genome instability</b>	<b>ATM protein, a protein kinase activated by double-strand breaks</b>
<b>BRCA1</b>	<b>Breast and ovarian cancer</b>	<b>Repair by homologous recombination</b>
<b>BRCA2</b>	<b>Breast, ovarian, and prostate cancer</b>	<b>Repair by homologous recombination</b>
<b>Werner syndrome</b>	<b>Premature aging, cancer at several sites, genome instability</b>	<b>Accessory 3'-exonuclease and DNA helicase used in repair</b>
<b>Bloom syndrome</b>	<b>Cancer at several sites, stunted growth, genome instability</b>	<b>DNA helicase needed for recombination</b>
<b>Fanconi anemia groups A–G</b>	<b>Congenital abnormalities, leukemia, genome instability</b>	<b>DNA interstrand cross-link repair</b>
<b>46 BR patient</b>	<b>Hypersensitivity to DNA-damaging agents, genome instability</b>	<b>DNA ligase I</b>

Table 5-2 Molecular Biology of the Cell 6e (© Garland Science 2015)

# Why is BRCA1/2 special?

- High prevalence in population
- Frequent benign variant



# What about hereditary breast and ovarian cancer syndrome (HBOCS)

- BRCA1/2 and other genes
- Breast, ovarian cancer and other cancers
- Prevalence (between 1 in 400 to 1 in 800 people)
- Penetration rate (40-90%)

# Categories of interpretation of variants

- Pathogenic
- Likely-pathogenic
- Uncertain (VUS)
- Likely-benign
- Benign

# Let's guess the evidences



# Family pedigree

# Segregation data (BS1, PP1)

- Caveat: linkage disequilibrium
- Penetration rate
- Difficult statistical evaluation

# Population data

- 5%: benign stand alone (BA1)
- 0.5-5% (BS1)
- Wow! The first time observed variant! (Absent in population DB, PM2)



# Null variant

- Frameshift, Nonsense, canonical +/-1 or 2 splicing site, initiation codon
- Caveat: LOF variants at the extreme 3' end of a gene
- Caveat: presence of multiple transcripts

# Computational (in silico) data

- PolyPhen2, SIFT, MutationTaster, etc
- Mutational hot spot and/or critical and well-established (PM1)
- Protein length changes due to in-frame deletions/insertions and stop losses functional domain (PM4 BP3)
- Novel missense at the same position (PM5)

# Other evidence

- de novo variants (PS2 PM6)
- Functional studies (PS3 BS3)
- Allelic data (BP2 PM3)



# Evidences of interpretation

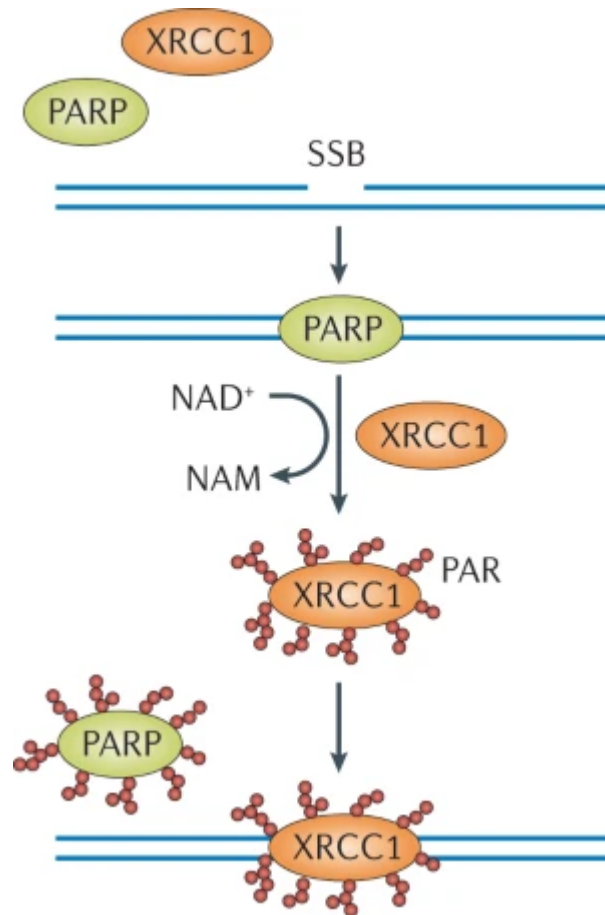
- Population data
- Computational data
- Functional data
- Segregation data
- De novo data
- Allele data
- Other databases
- Other data

# Characteristics of BRCA1/2

- LOF known mechanism of disease (for PVS1)
- Mode of inheritance (for PM3/BP2)
  - AD/AR (BRCA2)
- Missense pathogenic (for PP2/BP1)
  - BRCA2 1%
- Hot spot or critical/well-established functional domain (for PM1)
  - BRCA2, Helical (2479-2667), OB (2670-2799 and 3052-3190), Tower (2831-2872)

# BRCA1/2 gene analysis

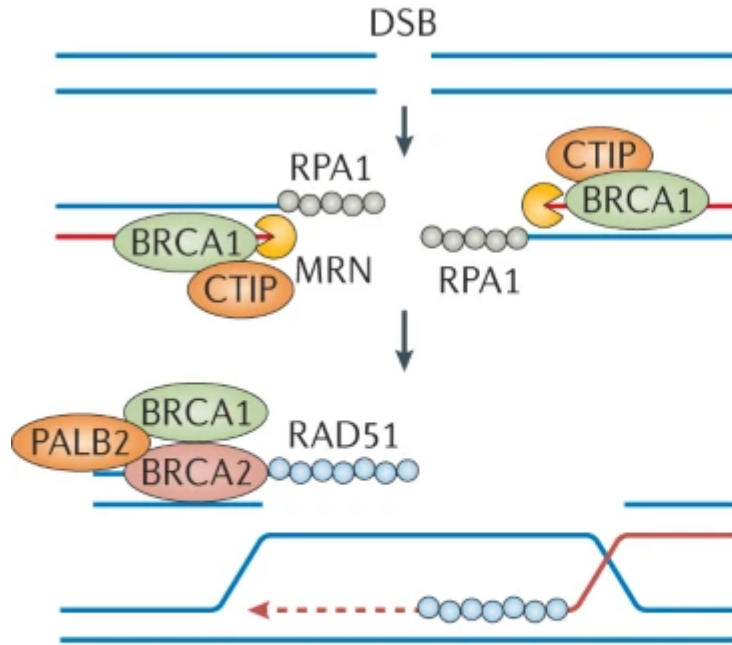
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  - c.3442del



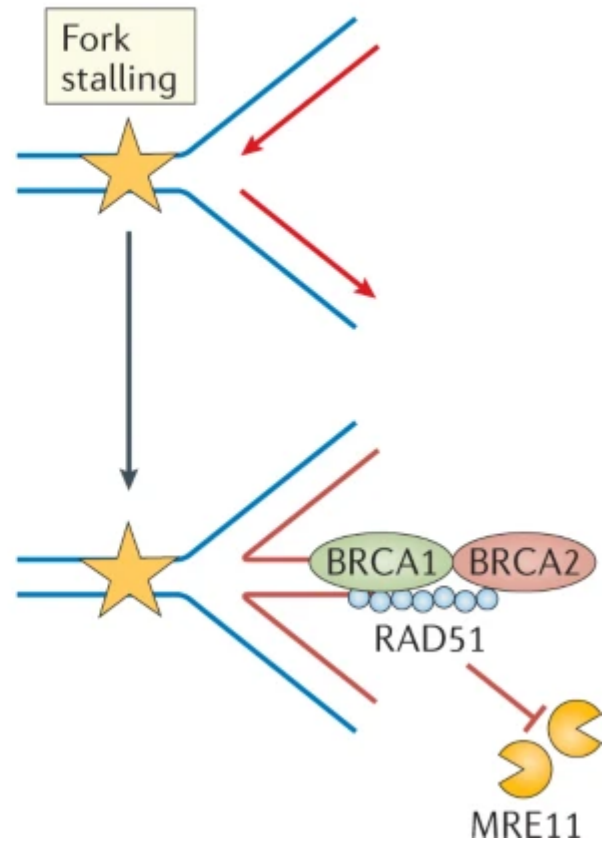
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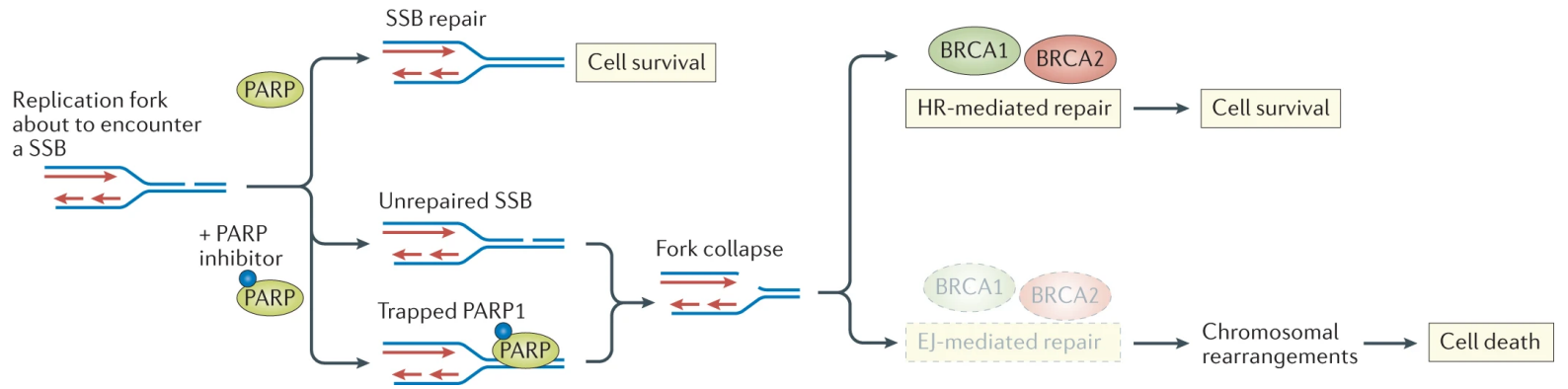


## Homologous recombination

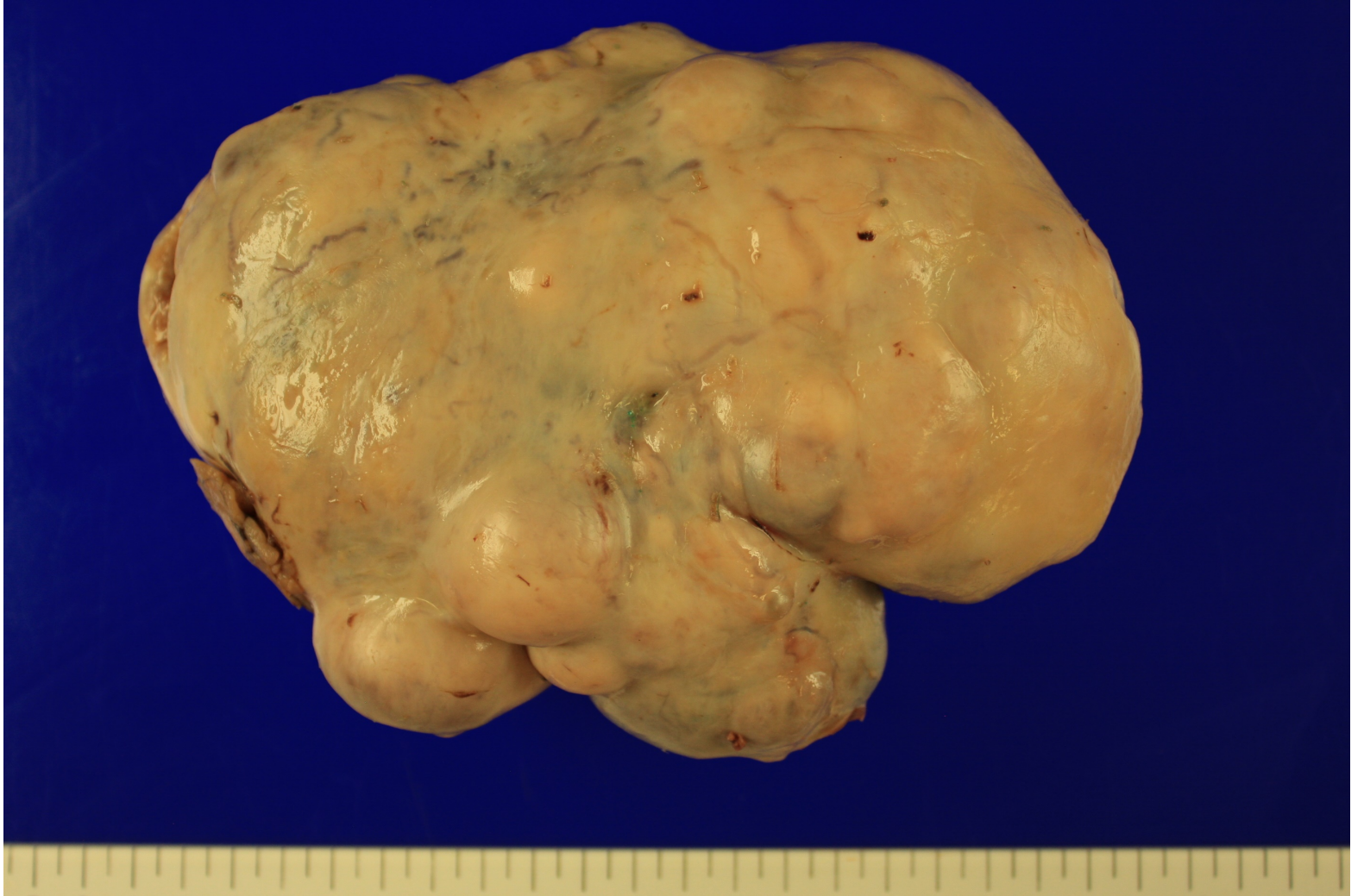


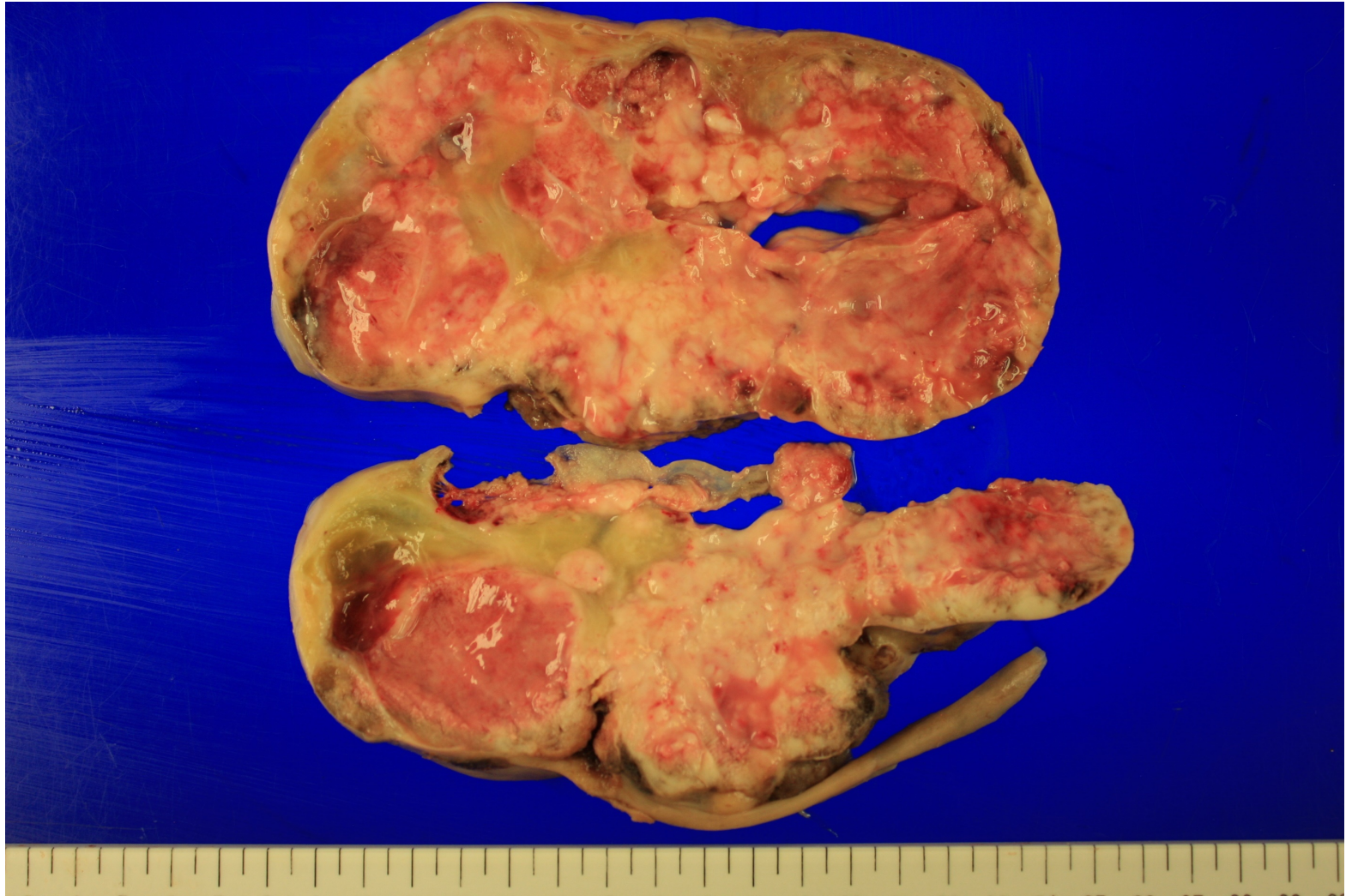
## Replication fork protection



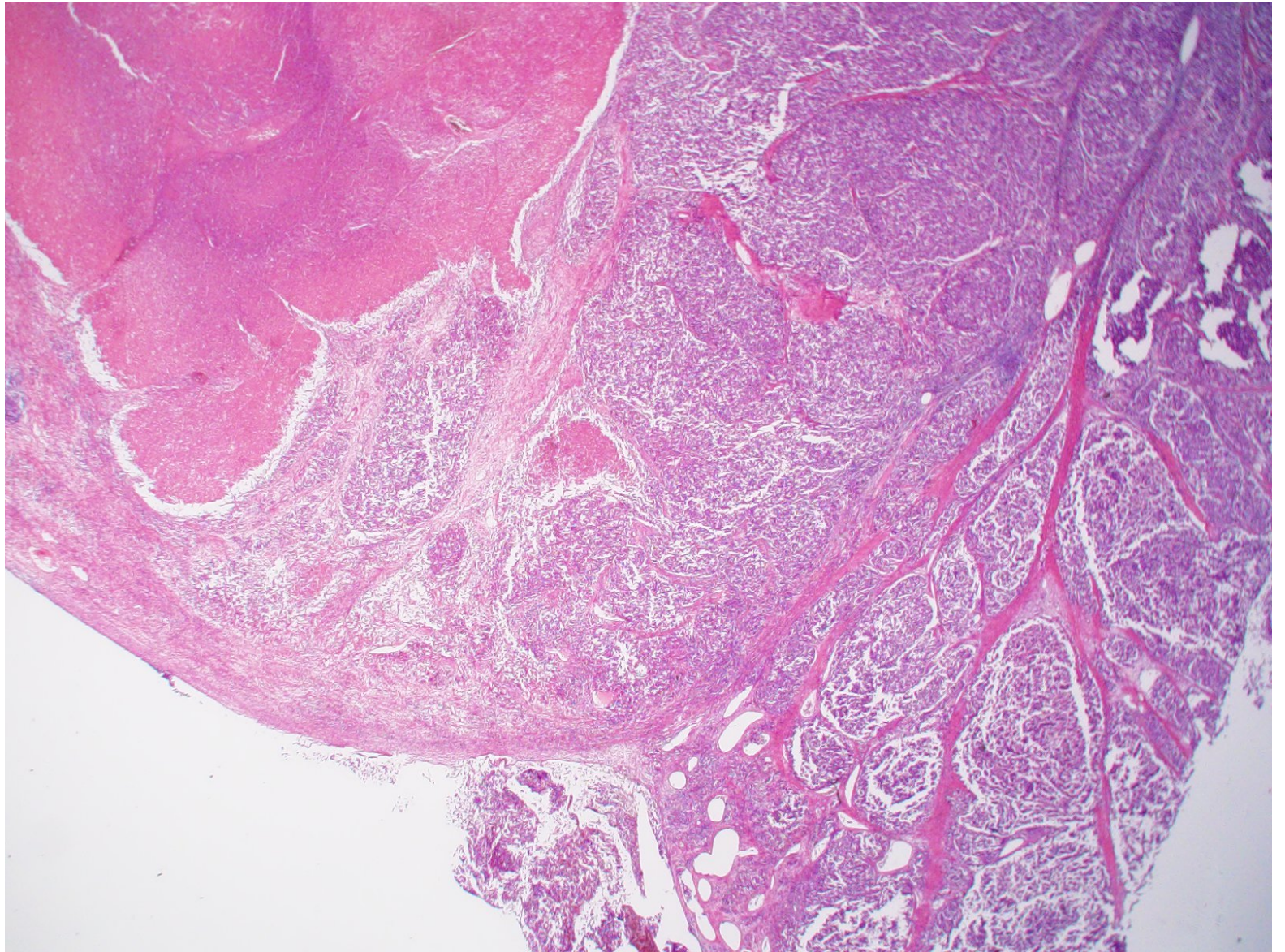


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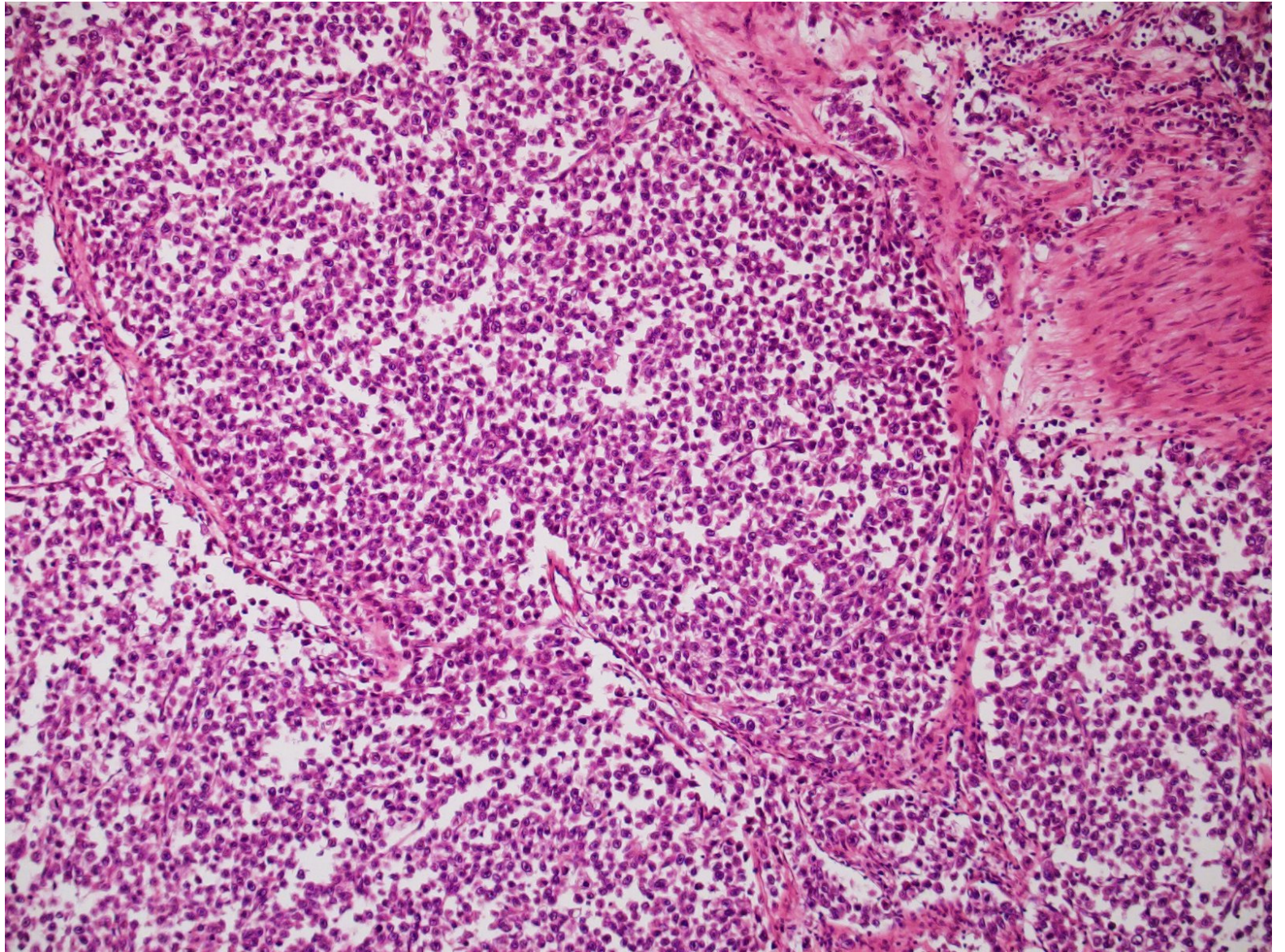




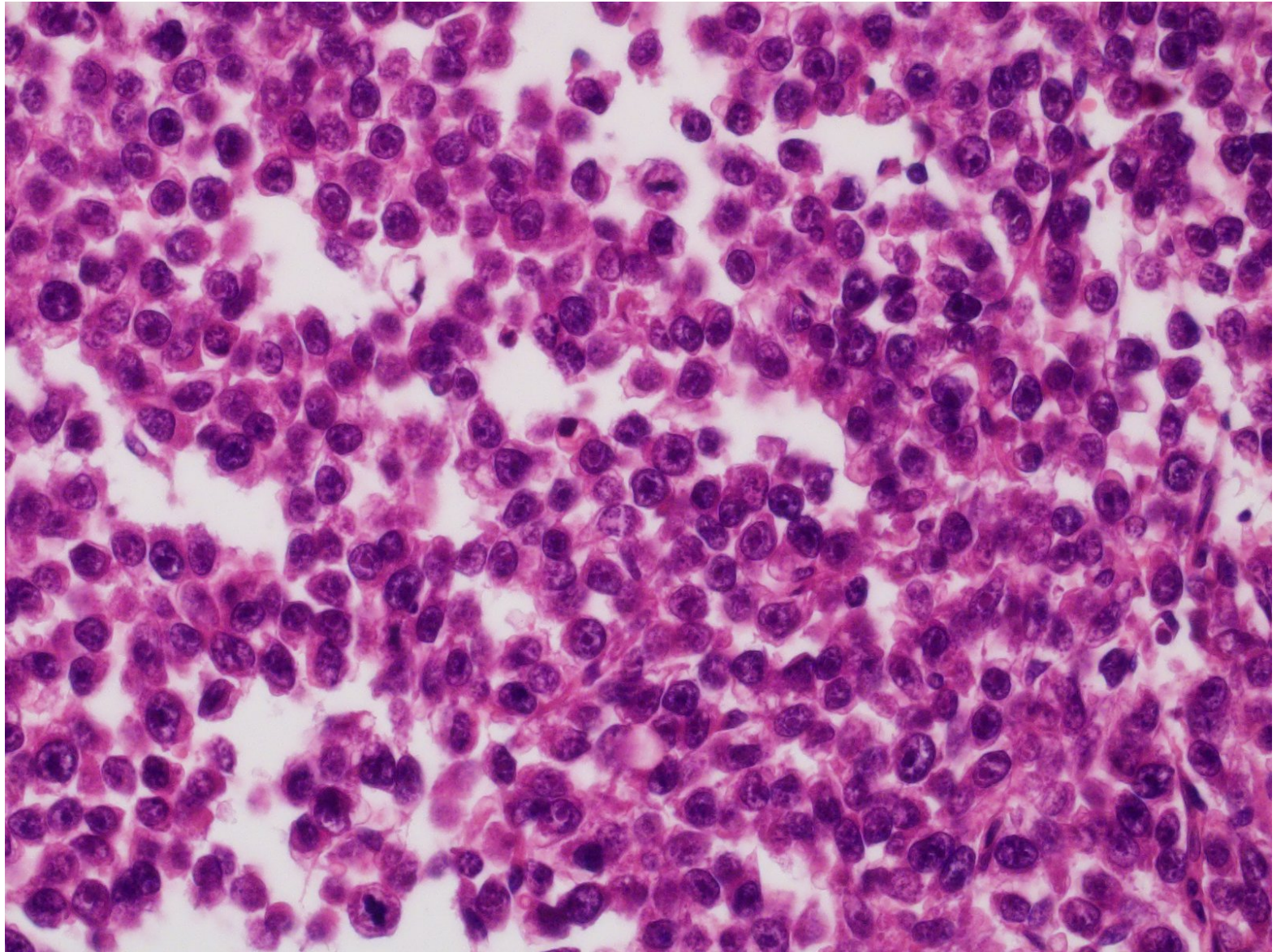




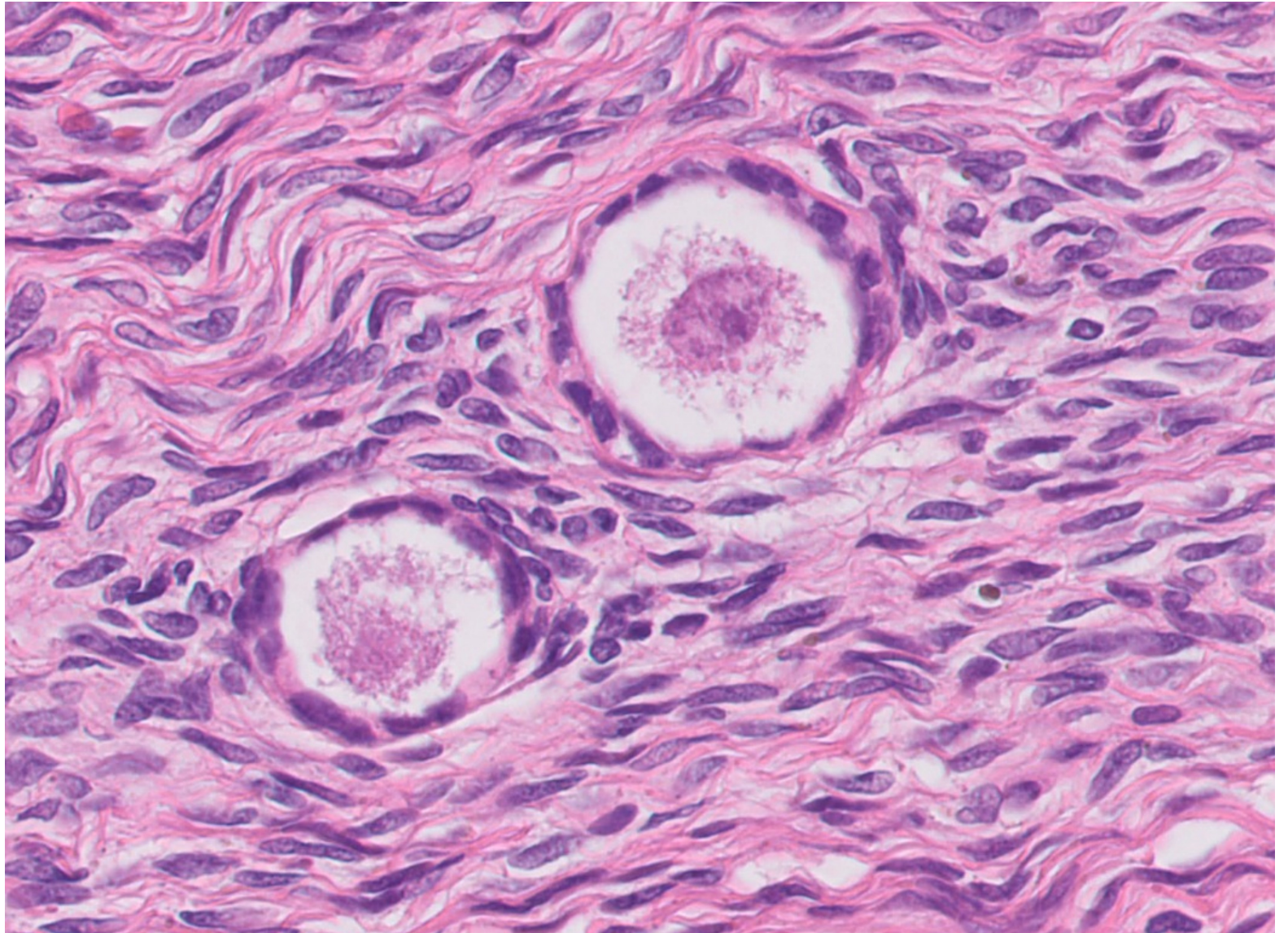




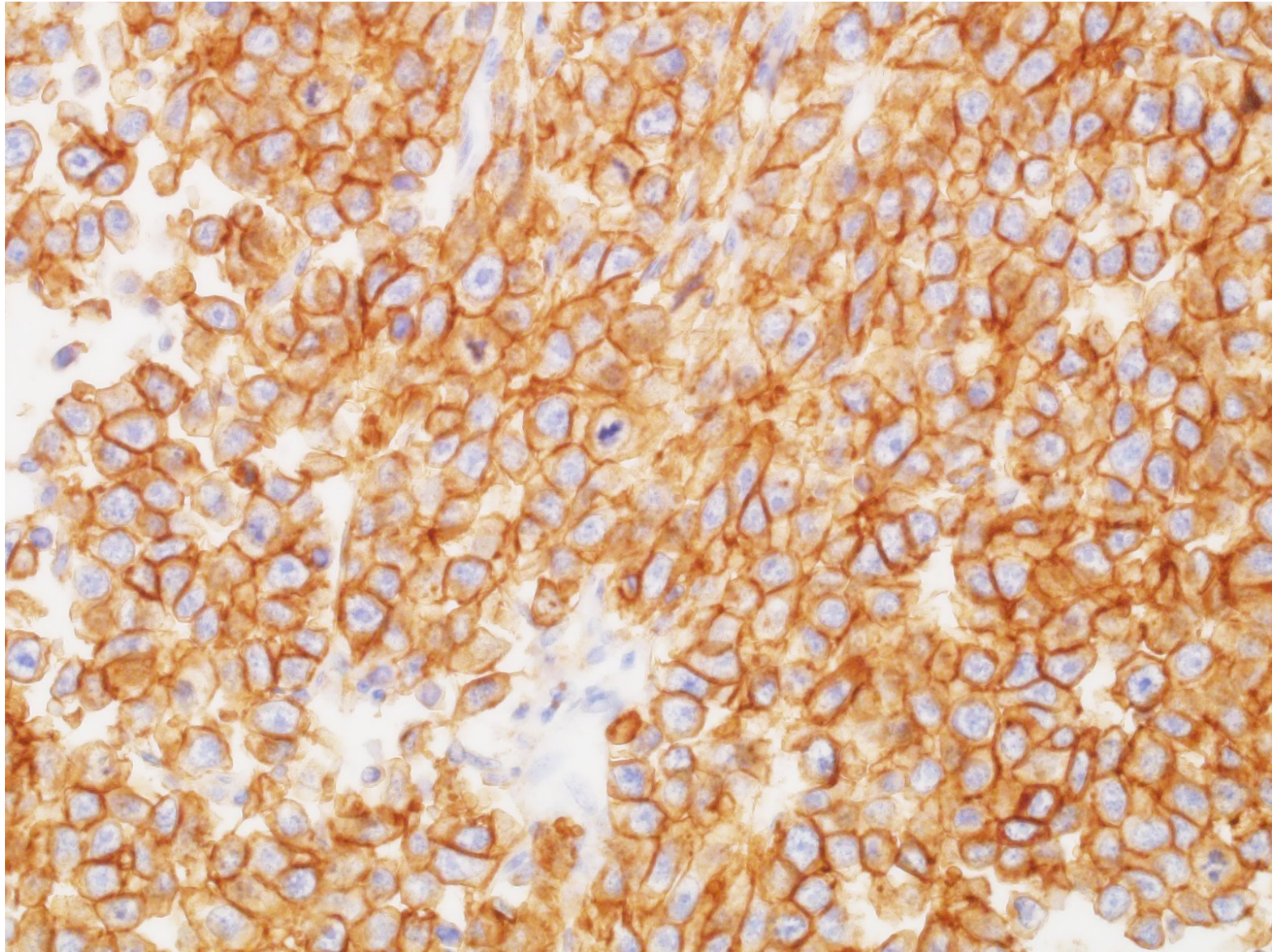








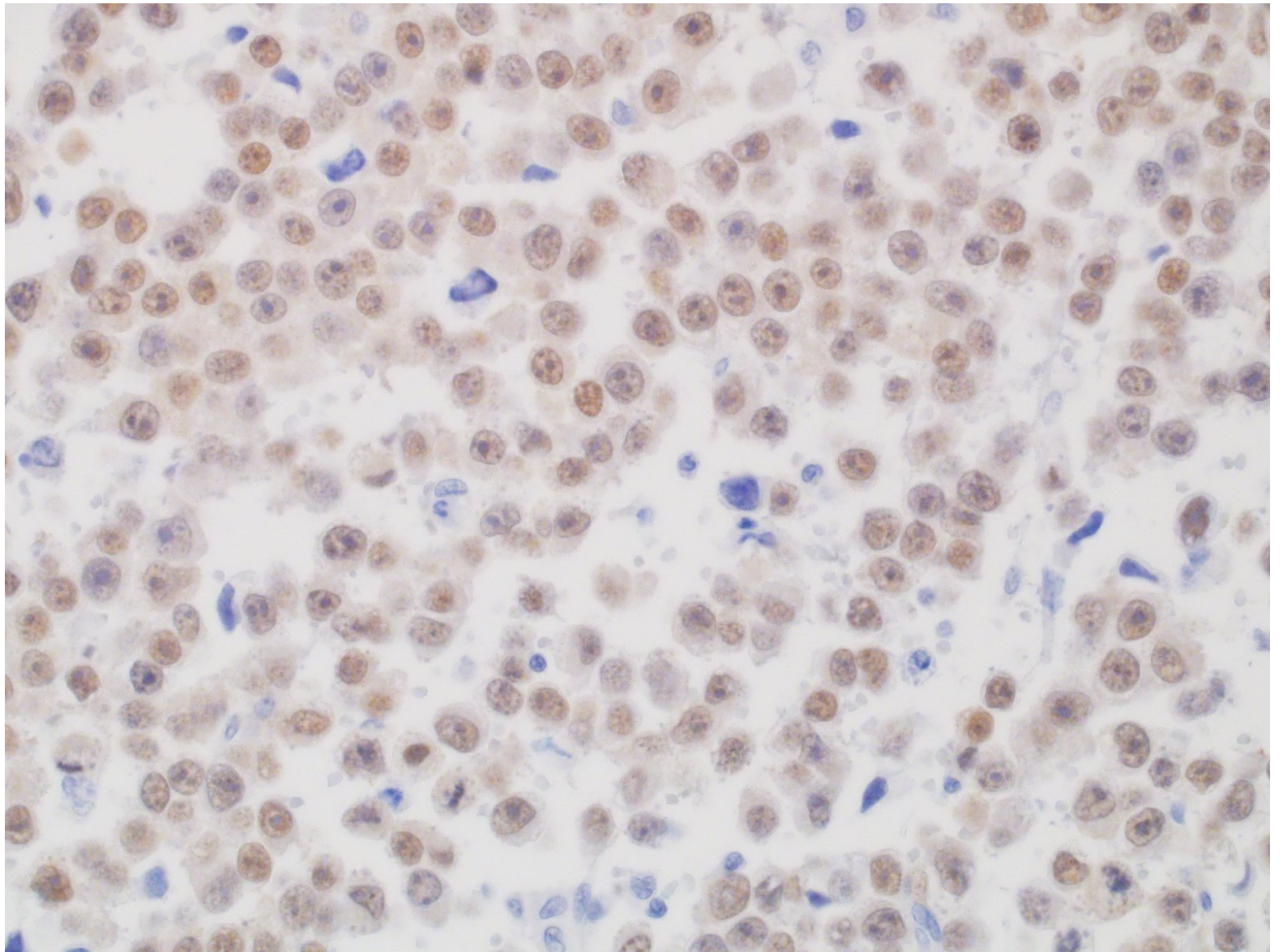




# C-kit

- Platelet-derived growth factor receptor (PDGFR) family
- Cell surface receptors
- Stem cell factor ligand
- Essential in the development of melanocytes, germ cells, mast cells, erythrocytes, and interstitial cells of Cajal
- KIT mutations occur in 25%–50% of tumors, most commonly involving codon 816 of exon 17





## oct3/4

- One of four transcription factors (OCT4, Sox2, Nanog and Lin28) induce pluripotency in somatic cells