

# **Connective tissue neoplasm**

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**Fibrous tissue lesions**

**Vascular lesions**

**Neural lesions**

**Muscle and Smooth muscle  
lesions**

**Adipose tissue lesions**

# Connective Tissue Lesions

## “Fibrous Lesions”

### ❖ Peripheral fibroma

- Etiology: Reactive (secondary to overexuberant repair)
- Origin: Connective tissue of the submucosa
- Clinical features:
  - Predilection for young adults
  - Female > male
  - Location: commonly at the gingiva anterior to molars
  - Similar in color to the surrounding tissue

# Peripheral fibroma



# Connective Tissue Lesions

## “Fibrous Lesions”

- ❖ Focal fibrous hyperplasia:
  - It is common in frequently traumatized area



# Connective Tissue Lesions

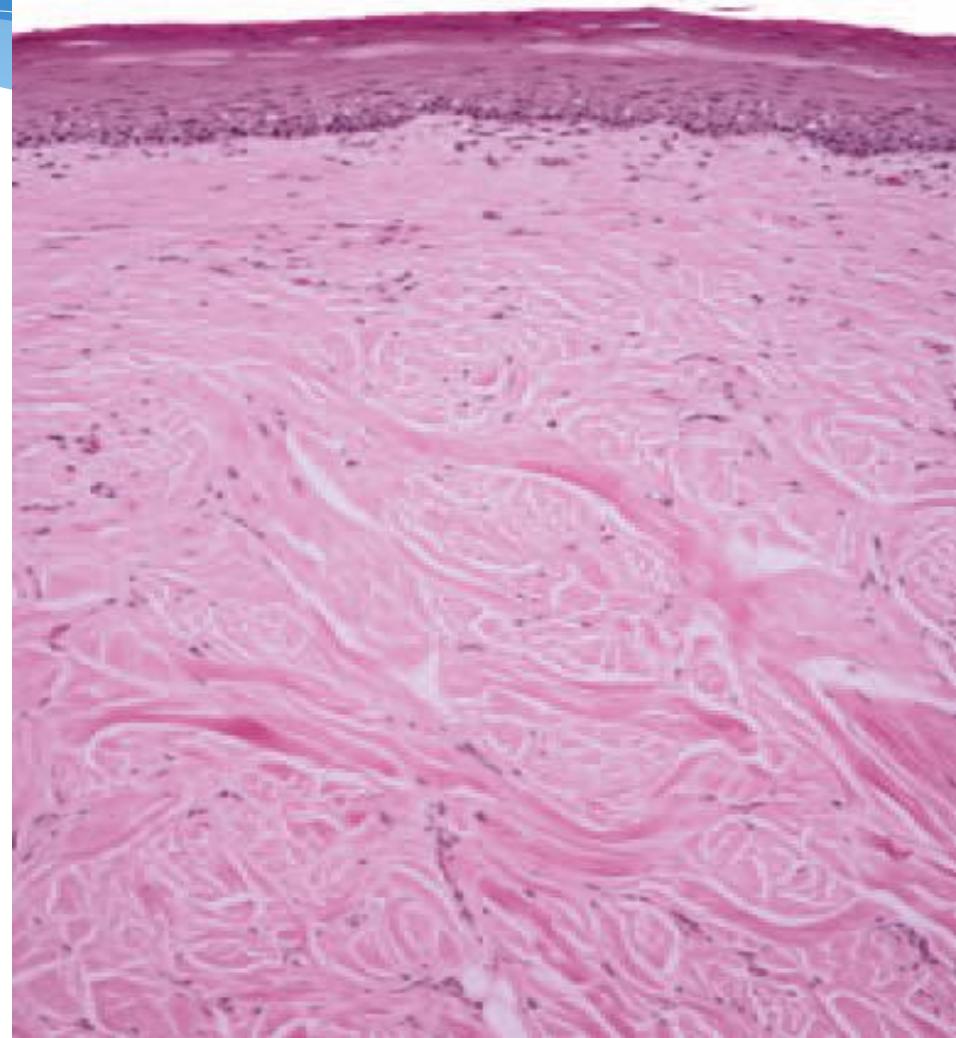
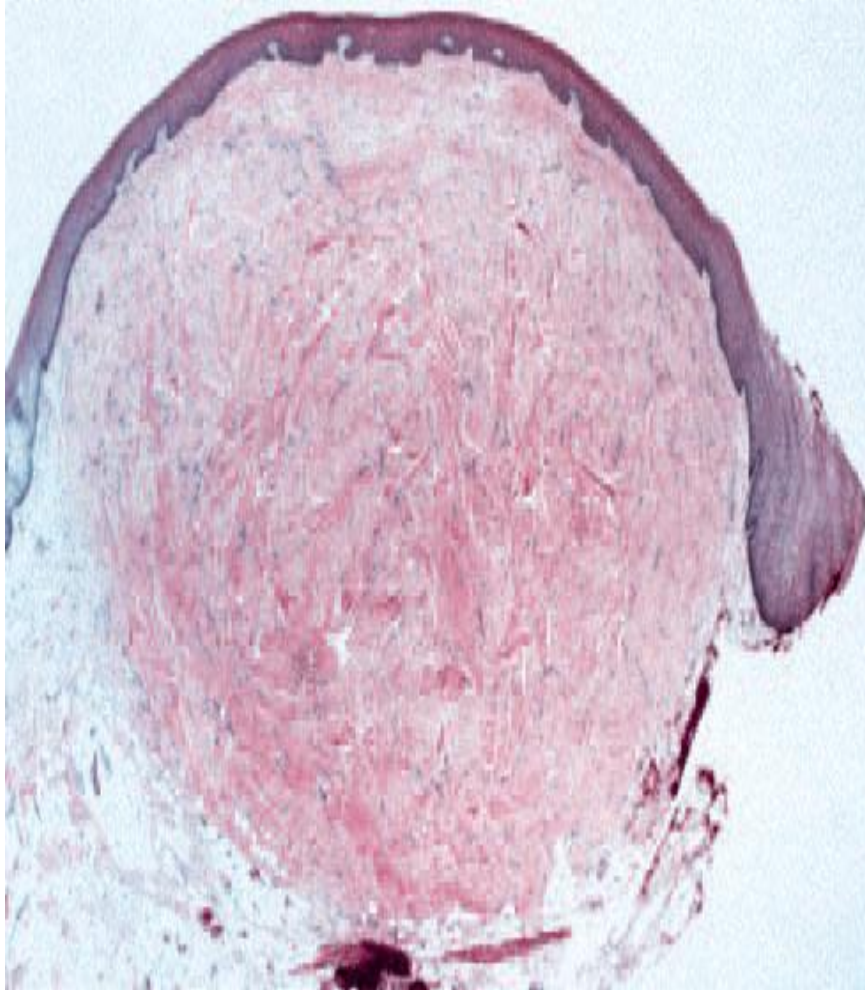
## “Fibrous Lesions”

### ❖ Peripheral fibroma

- Histopathology:
  - Focal fibrous hyperplasia: Highly collagenous and relatively avascular
  - Mild to moderate inflammatory cell infiltrate
  - Subtypes:
    - Peripheral ossifying fibroma
    - Peripheral odontogenic fibroma
    - Giant cell fibroma
- Differential diagnosis: Pyogenic granuloma & peripheral giant cell granuloma
- Treatment: Local excision



# Peripheral fibroma histopathology



# Giant Cell Fibroma

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## Clinical Features

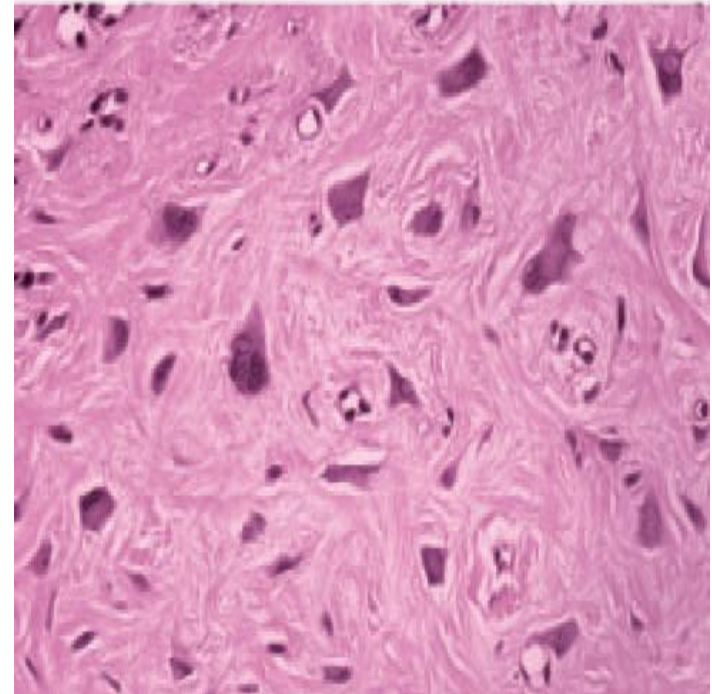
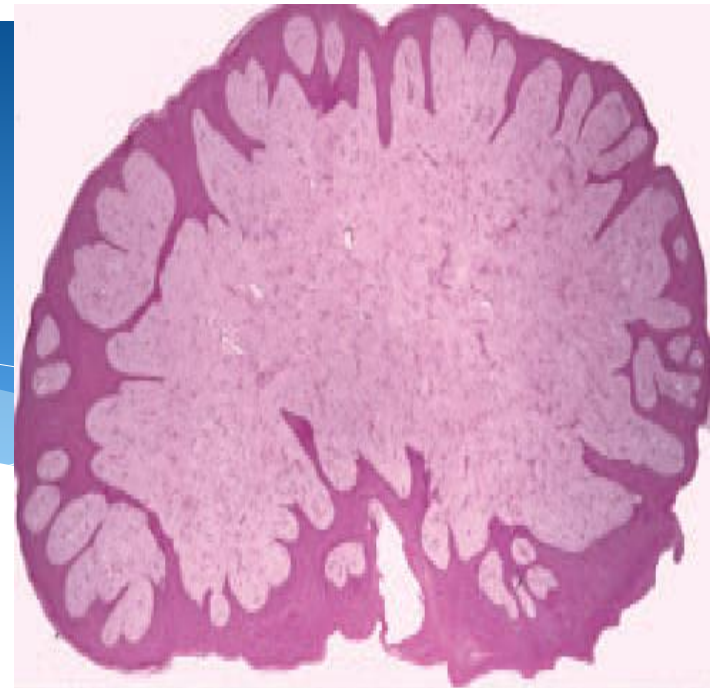
- Occurs at a much younger age compared to fibroma and presents as asymptomatic sessile/pedunculated nodule <1cm
- Not associated with trauma
- More than half the cases occurs on the gingiva and has a papillary surface; Mandible>Maxilla
- Similar to retrocuspid papilla

**Treatment:** Conservative surgical excision  
Recurrence is rare

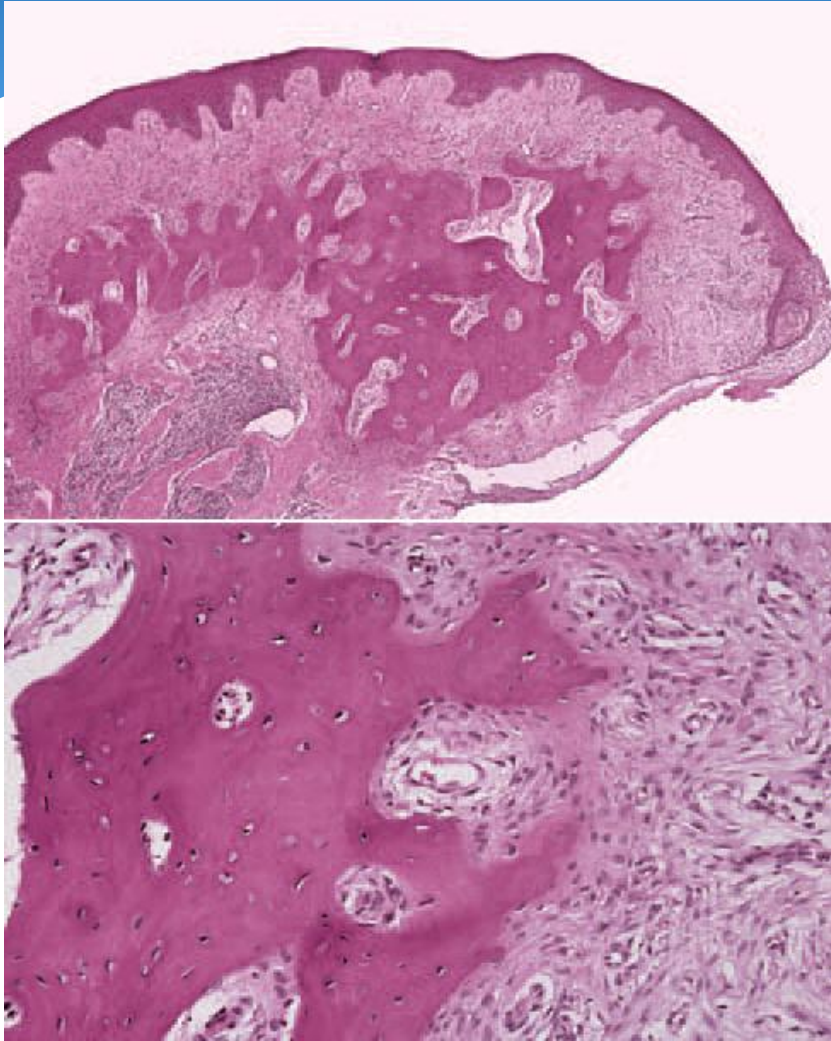


# Gaint cell fibroma

- \* consisting of fibrous connective tissue without inflammation and covered with stratified squamous hyperplastic epithelium. The most characteristic histological feature is the presence of large spindle-shaped and stellate-shaped mononuclear cells and multinucleated cells.



# Ossifying fibroma



- \* **Microscopic examination showed fibrous connective tissue contain fibroblasts, collagen bundles with bone large trabeculae**

# Denture induced fibrous hyperplasia



# Connective Tissue Lesions

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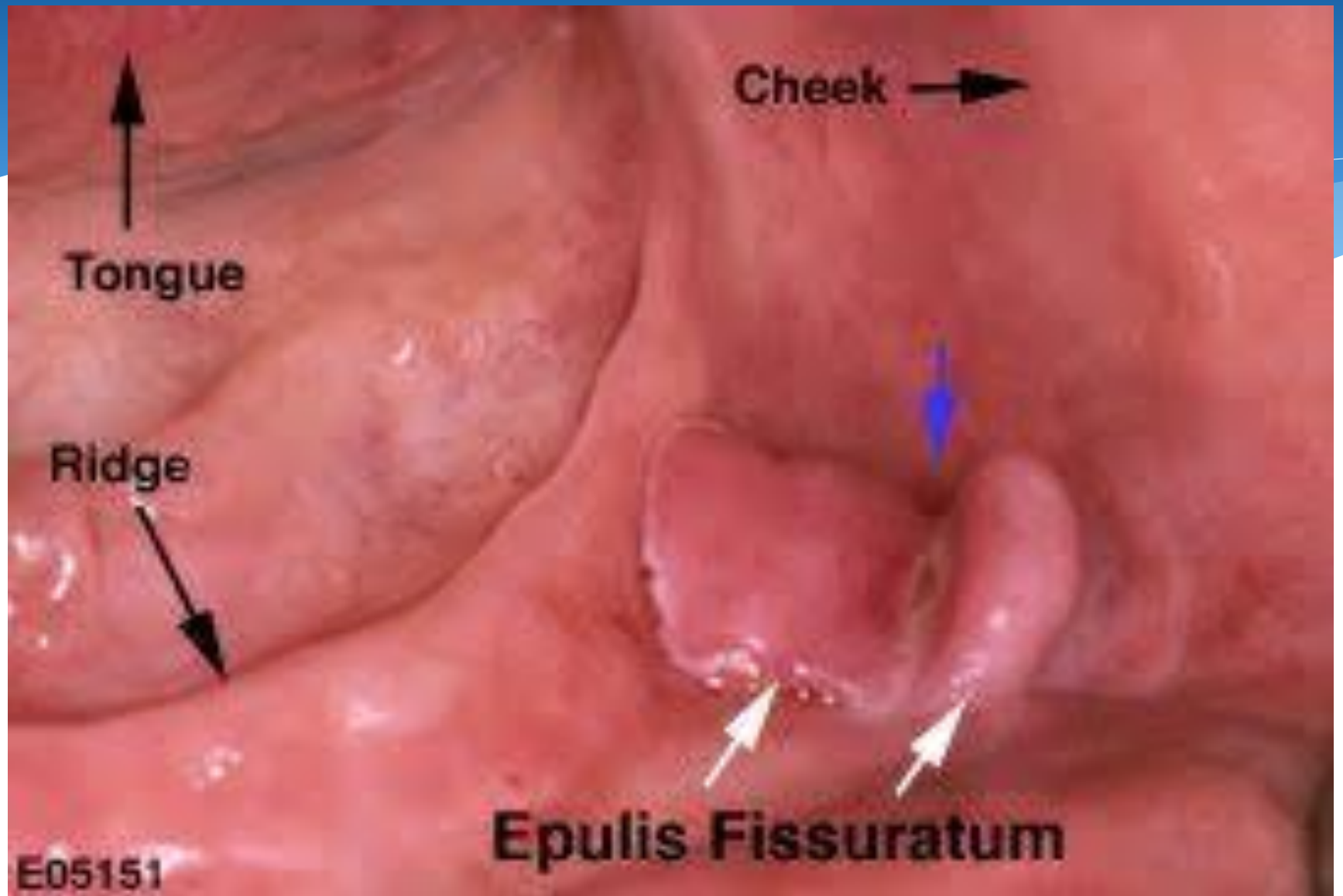
- ❖ Denture-induced fibrous hyperplasia
  - Etiology: Chronic trauma produced by an ill-fitting denture
  - Clinical features: Occurs in the vestibular mucosa
    - Overexuberant fibrous connective tissue reparative response
    - Painless folds of fibrous tissue
  - Treatment: Surgical excision is usually required



# Epulis Fissuratum







## Generalized gingival hyperplasia:

- ❖ Clinical features: Increase in the bulk of free and attached gingiva.
  - ❖ Stippling is lost
  - ❖ Color: red to blue
  - ❖ Associated inflammation: non-specific factors & hormonal imbalance appears more inflamed than drug induced hyperplasia
- ❖ Histopathology:
  - ❖ Abundance in collagen
  - ❖ Increased number of fibroblasts
  - ❖ Various degree of chronic inflammation
  - ❖ Increased capillaries (hormonal)
  - ❖ Immature & atypical white blood cells with leukemic type



## Generalized gingival hyperplasia:

- Treatment: Attentive oral hygiene is necessary
- Gingivoplasty or gingivectomy in combination with prophylaxis

# Myxoma

## ❖ Neoplasms:

- Myxoma: Benign proliferation of spindle cells
  - Clinical features: It is a soft neoplasms composed of gelatinous material
    - Slow growing
    - Asymptomatic
    - Location: Palate
    - Occurs at any age



**Soap bubble multilocular area**

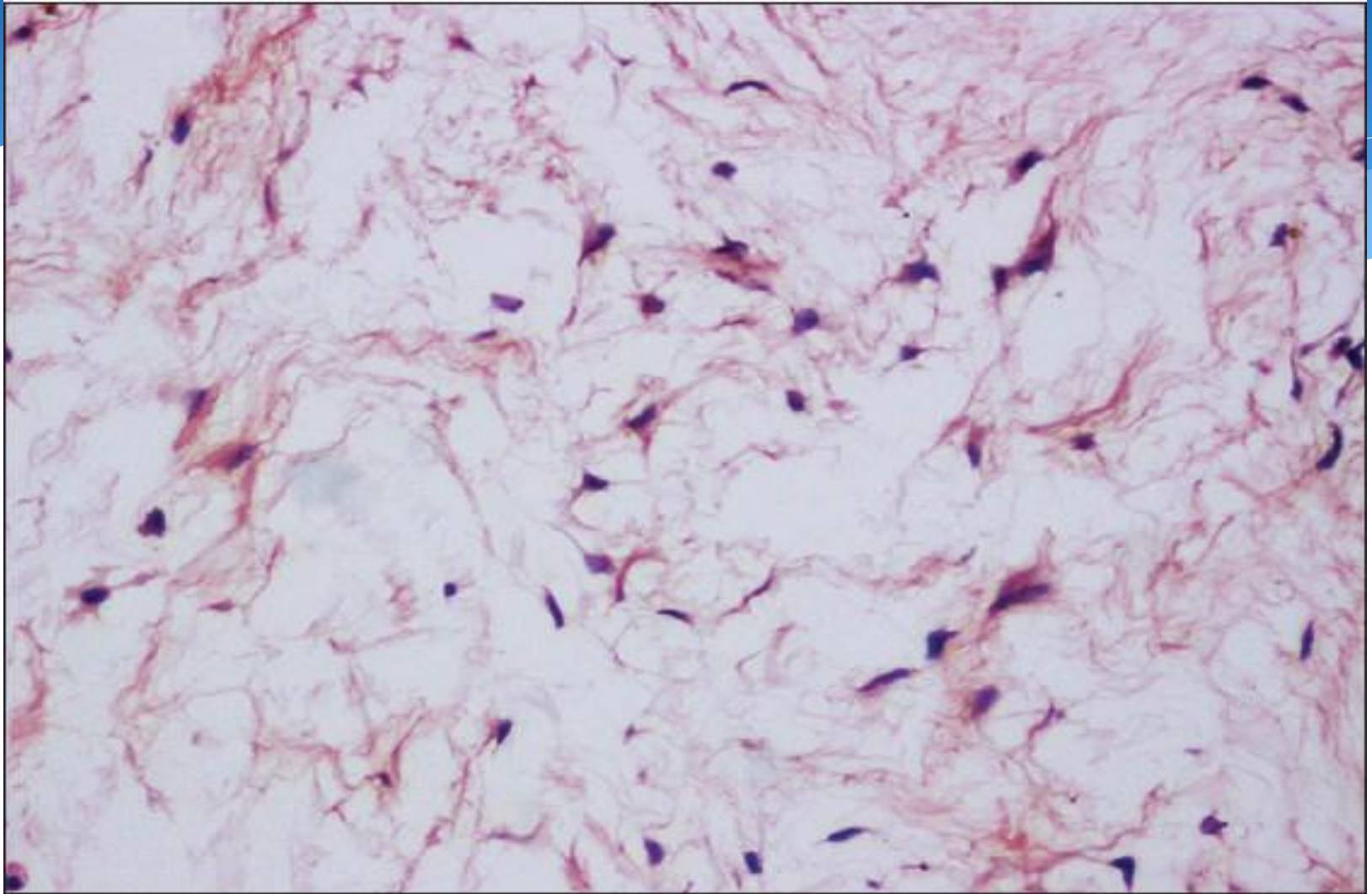
# Myxoma:

- Histopathology:
  - Not encapsulated (may exhibit infiltration into surrounding soft tissue)
  - Dispersed stellate & spindle-shaped fibroblasts
  - Loose myxoid stroma

## ❖ Myxoma:

- Treatment: Surgical excision
- Recurrence is not uncommon





❖ Fibrosarcoma: It is a malignant spindle cell tumor showing interlacing fascicular pattern

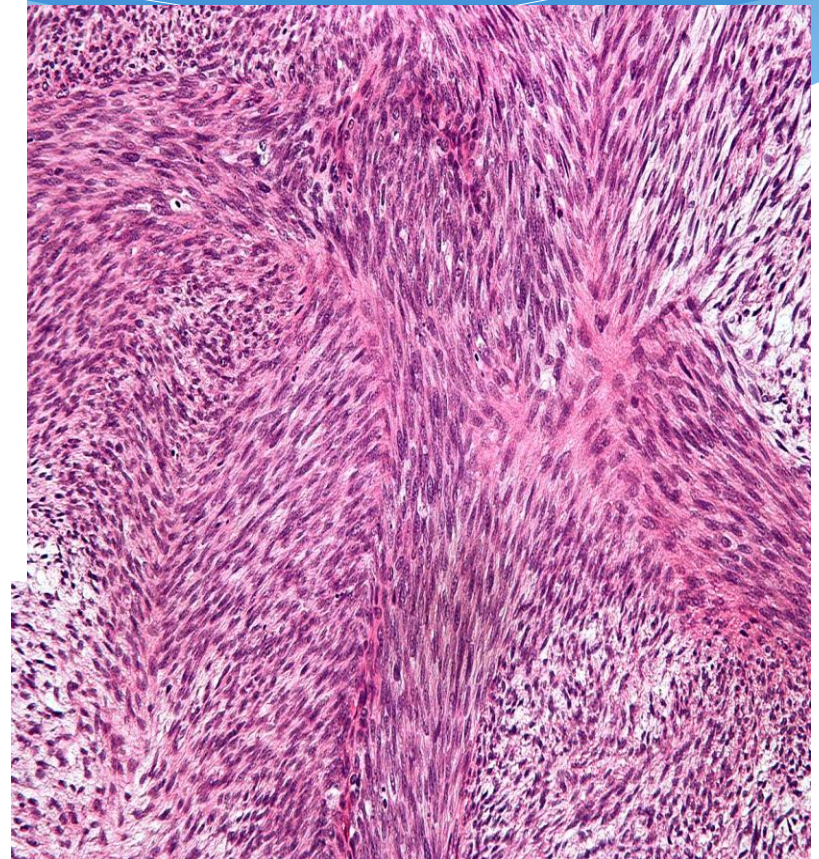
- Clinical features
  - Can arise in bone
  - Young adults most commonly affected
  - It is considered as infiltrative neoplasms



# coma

## ❖ Fibrosarcoma:

- Histopathology:
  - Collagen sparse
  - Frequent mitotic figures
  - Ill defined periphery



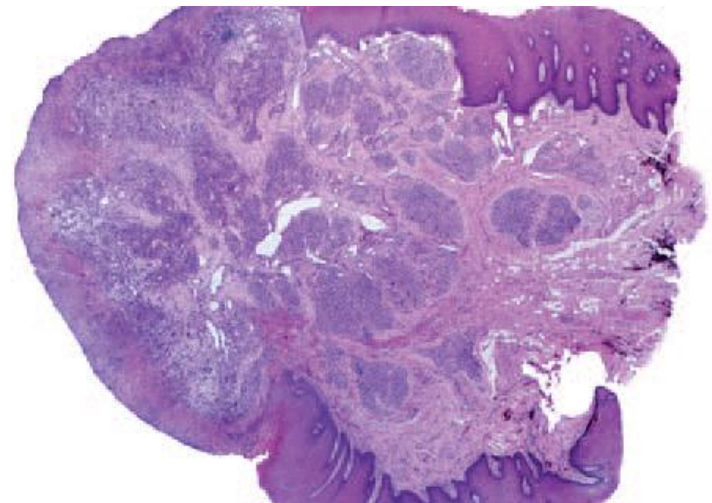
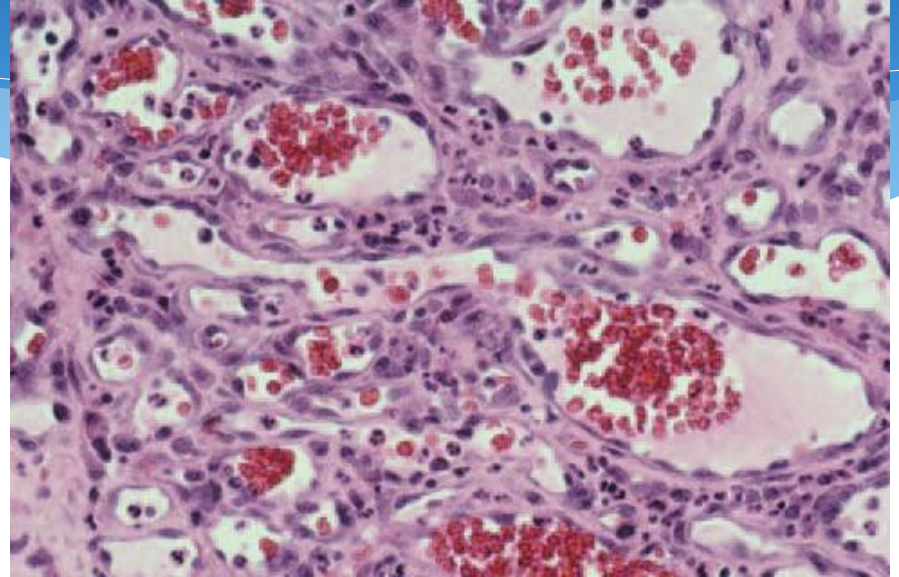


## ♦ Treatment of Fibrosarcoma

- **Wide surgical excision**
  - Recurrence is not uncommon
  - Metastasis is infrequent
  - 5 years survival rate is 30-50%



# Pyogenic granuloma





# GENDER

Females more susceptible than males.

Because of the hormonal changes during puberty, pregnancy, and menopause.

Also called a "pregnancy tumor"

Occur in 1% of pregnant women.

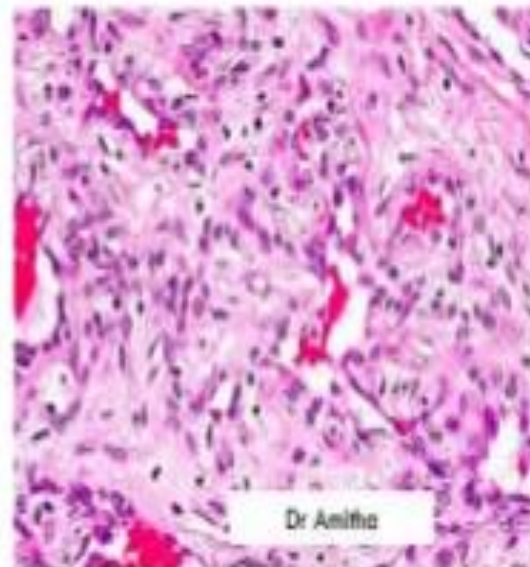
# HISTOLOGY

Fibrous connective tissue

Proliferation of vascular channels.

Few collagen.

Inflammatory infiltrate ( by plasma cells, lymphocytes and neutrophils)



## ❖ Reactive & Congenital Lesions

### ❖ Lymphangioma

#### ➤ Etiology:

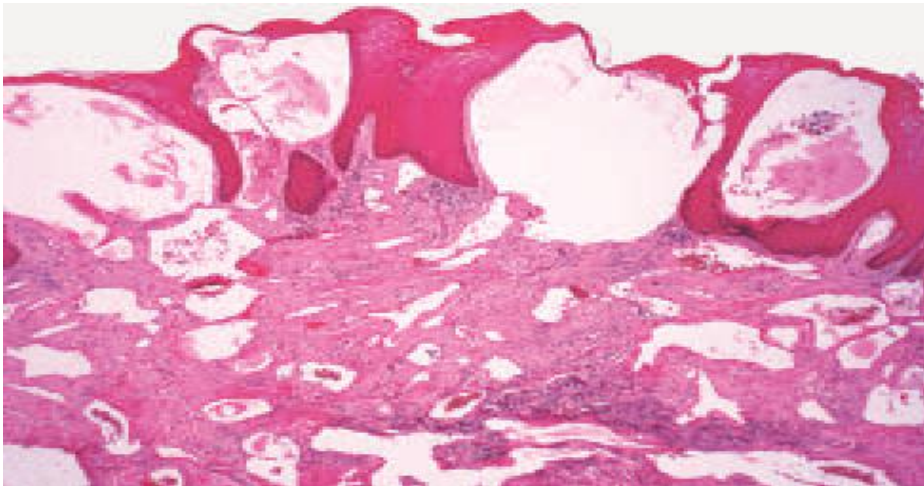
- It is regarded as congenital lesion
- Appears within the first 2 decades of life

#### ➤ Clinical features:

- Painless nodular, vesicle like swelling
- Crepitant sound
- Tongue is the most common intraoral site



# LYMPHANGIOMA





❖ Histopathology:

- Endothelium-lined lymphatic channels
- Eosinophilic lymph that occasionally include red blood cells
- Lymphatic channels directly adjacent to overlying epithelium



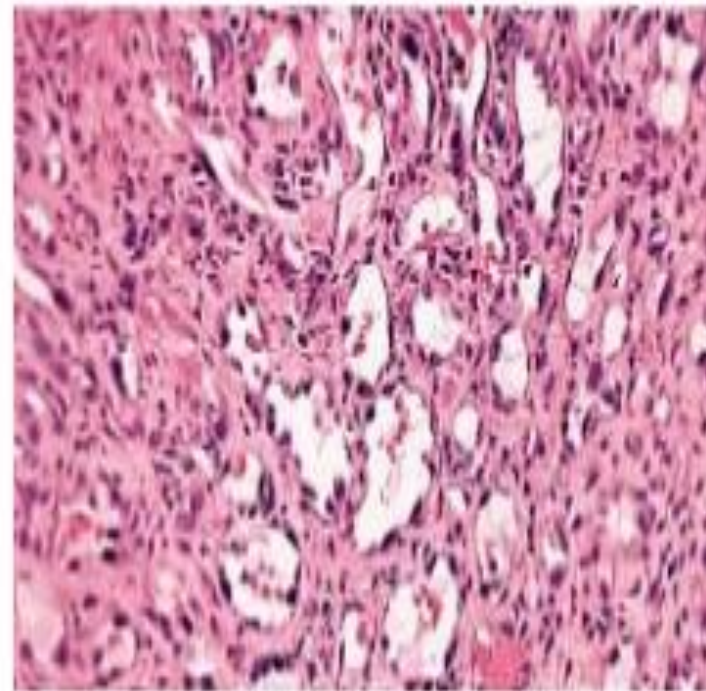
- ❖ Treatment: Surgical removal but because of lack of encapsulation, recurrences are common



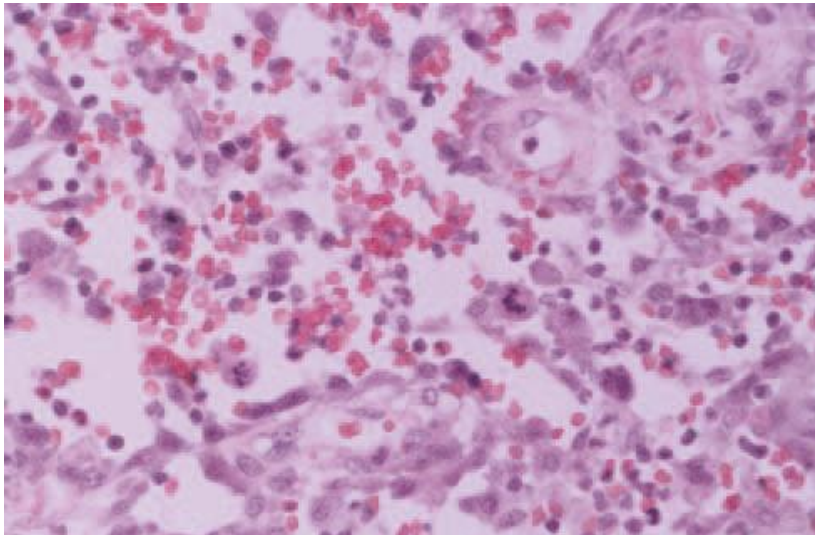
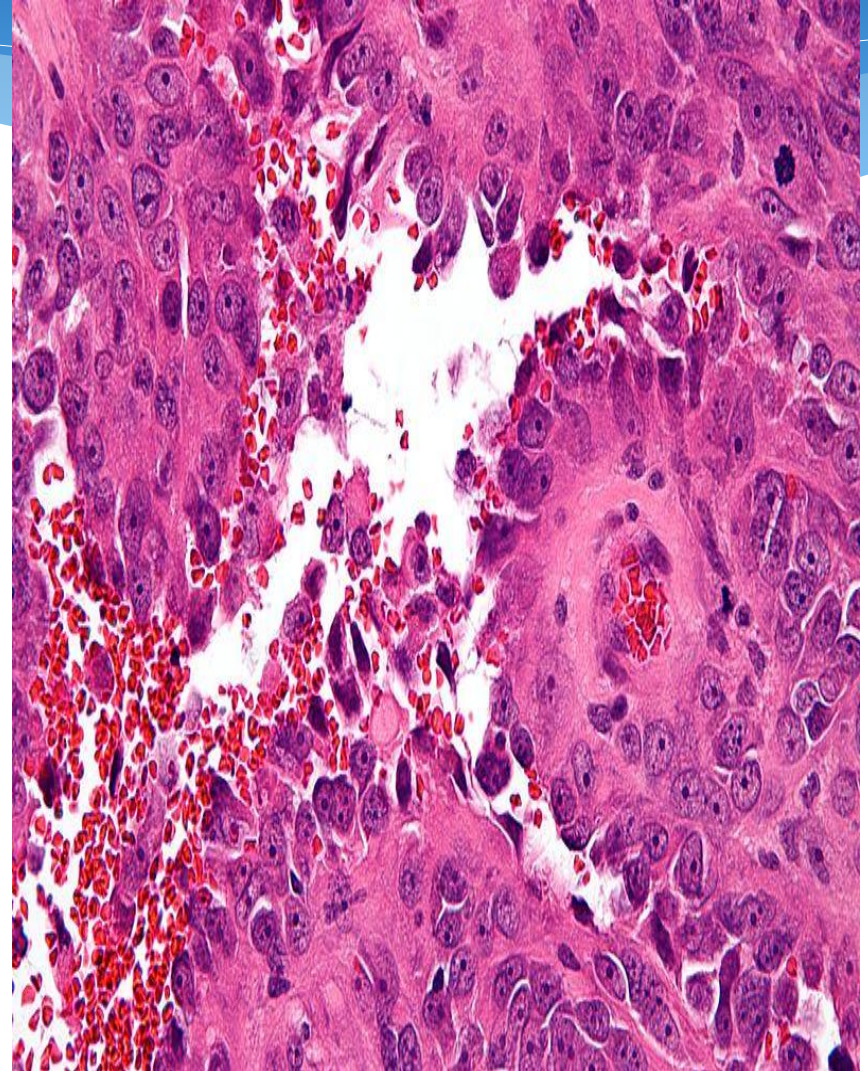
❖ Neoplasms:

❖ Angiosarcoma

- It is a neoplasm of endothelial cell origin
- Scalp is the usual location
- The lesion consists of an unencapsulated proliferation of endothelial cells enclosing irregular luminal spaces
- It has an aggressive clinical course and poor prognosis



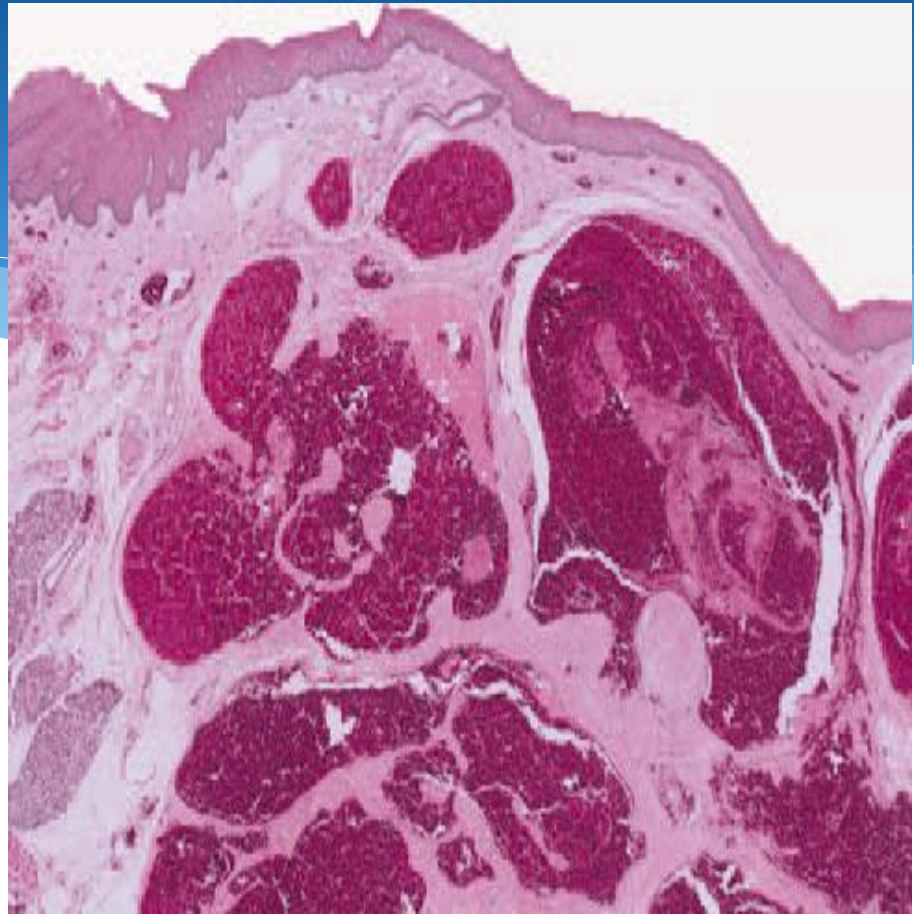
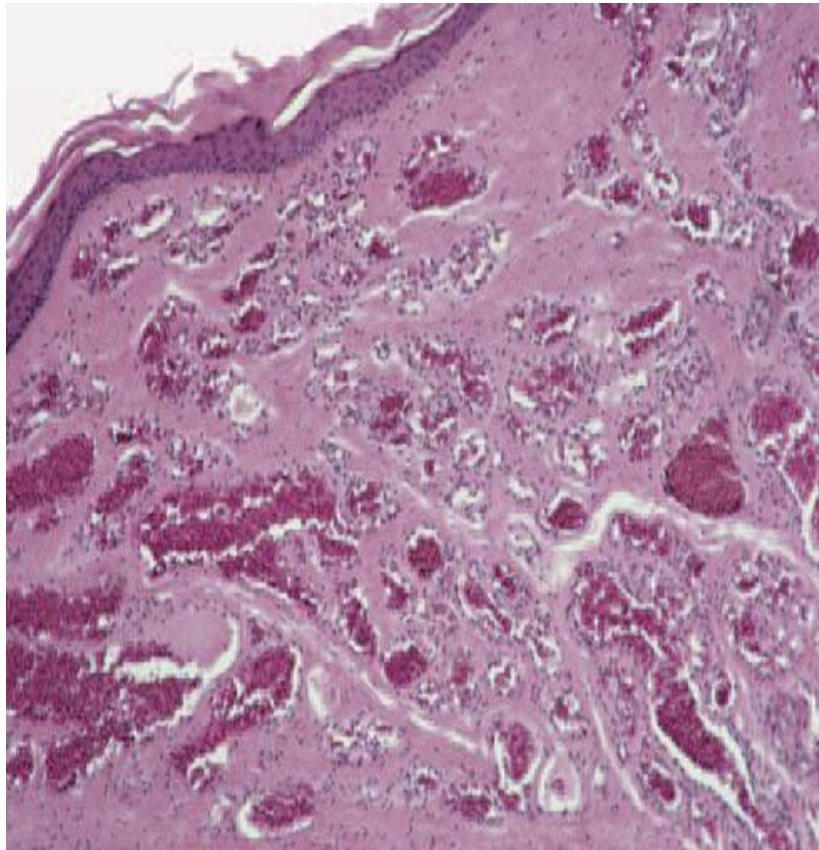
# Angiosarcoma





# Congenital hemangioma & Vascular malformation







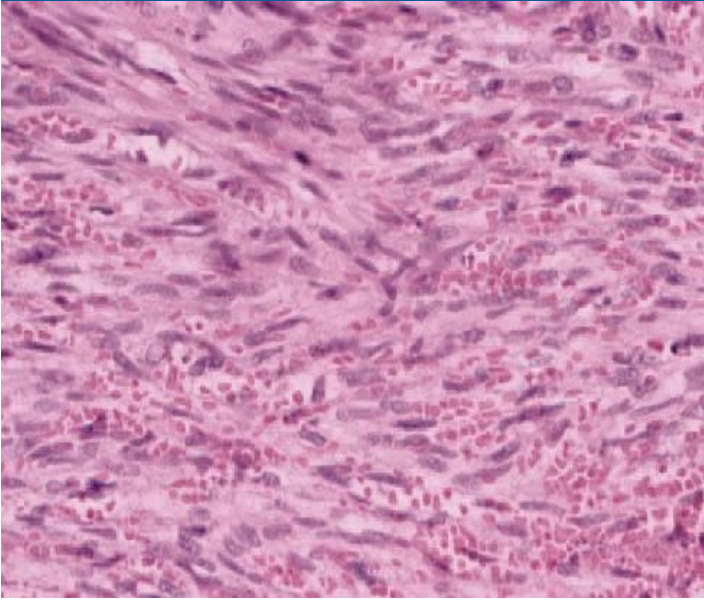
# Sturge-Weber angiomatosis Sturge-Weber syndrome (SWS).



- \* is a congenital syndrome characterized by a classic triad of facial capillary malformation [port-wine stain (PWS)], intracranial vascular abnormalities (leptomeningeal angiomas), and glaucoma

# Kaposi's sarcoma

- \* It originates from endothelial cells line BV and lymphatic vessels
- \* There are four main types of Kaposi sarcoma:
- \* **Classic KS:** occurs mainly in old patient , It is more common in males than females.
- \* **Epidemic KS:** This is the most common form of KS known as African Kaposi sarcoma
- \* **Iatrogenic KS:** This is also known as immunosuppressive treatment-related Kaposi sarcoma, immunosuppressive Kaposi sarcoma, or transplant-related Kaposi sarcoma.
- \* Kaposi sarcoma is an illness in people infected with AIDS stage 3 HIV



- \* **Histologically mitosis are common but pleomorphism are minimal**

# Neural lesions

❖ Reactive lesion:

❖ Traumatic neuroma:

➤ Etiology: It is caused by injury of peripheral nerve

- Oral surgery procedure
- Local anesthetic injection
- Accident

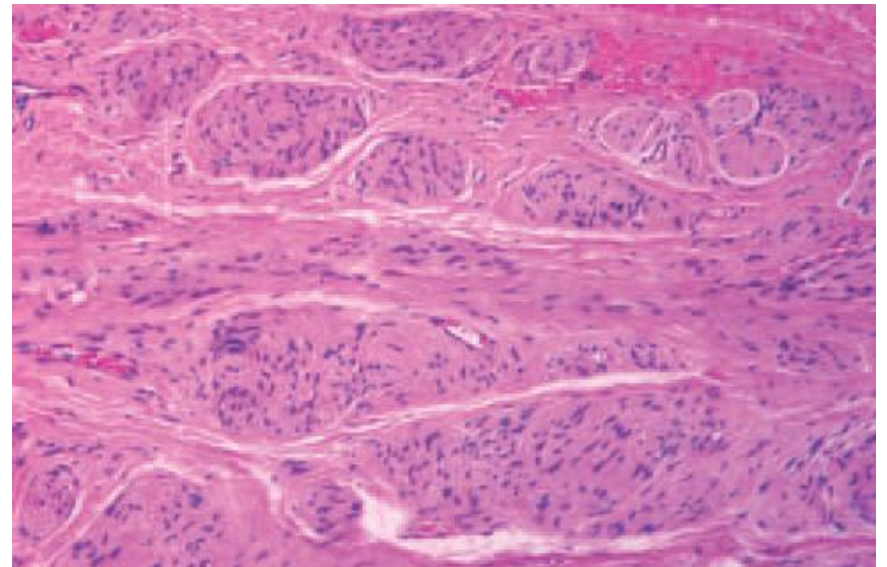
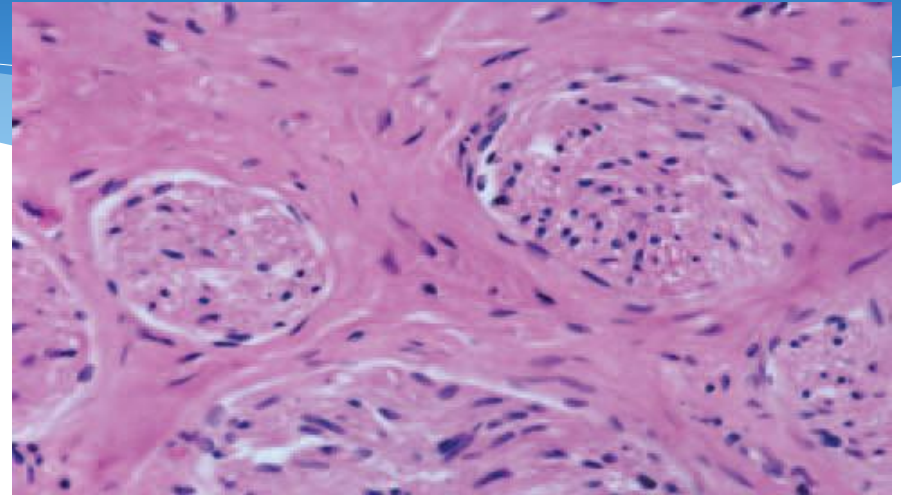
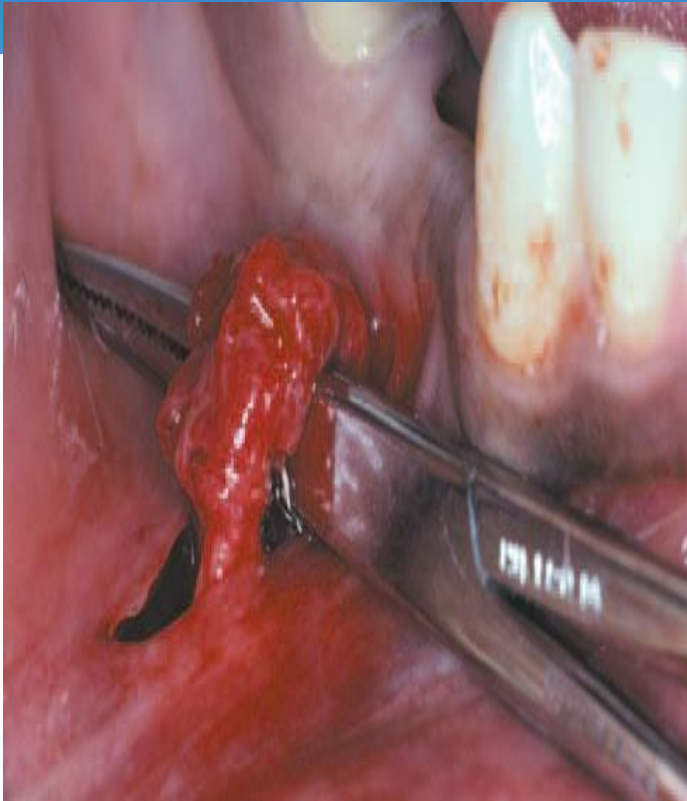
➤ Clinical features:

- Pain
- Wide age range
- Mental foramen is the most common location



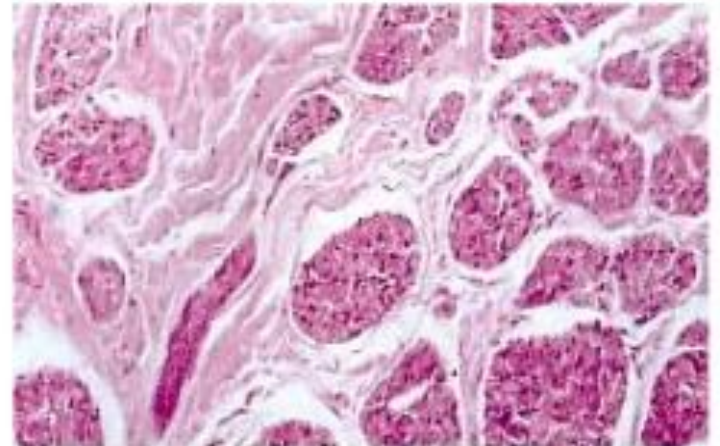
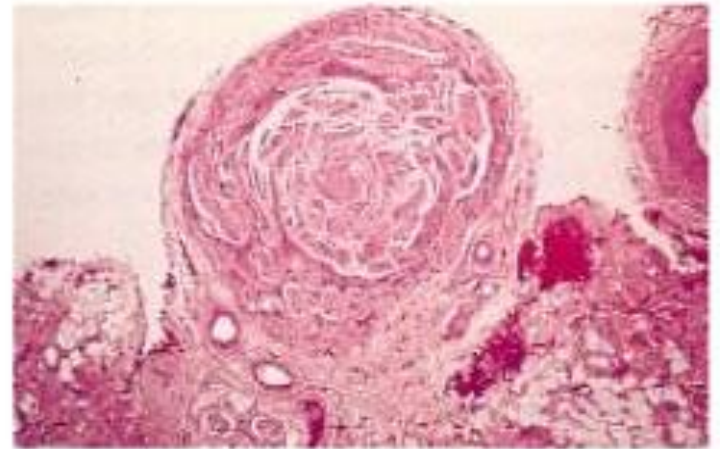


# traumatic neuroma



# Neural lesion

- ❖ Traumatic neuroma (Cont.)
  - Histopathology:
    - Bundles of nerves admixed with dense collagenous fibrous tissue
  - Treatment: Surgical excision



# Neural Lesion

## ❖ Neoplasms:

### ❖ Granular cell tumors

- Etiology: It is an uncommon benign tumor of unknown cause
- The granular cell that make this tumor is believed to originate from Schwann cells

### ❖ Clinical features:

- Wide age range
- Tongue is the most common location
- Uninflamed asymptomatic mass
- < 2 cm in diameter
- Overlying epithelium is intact





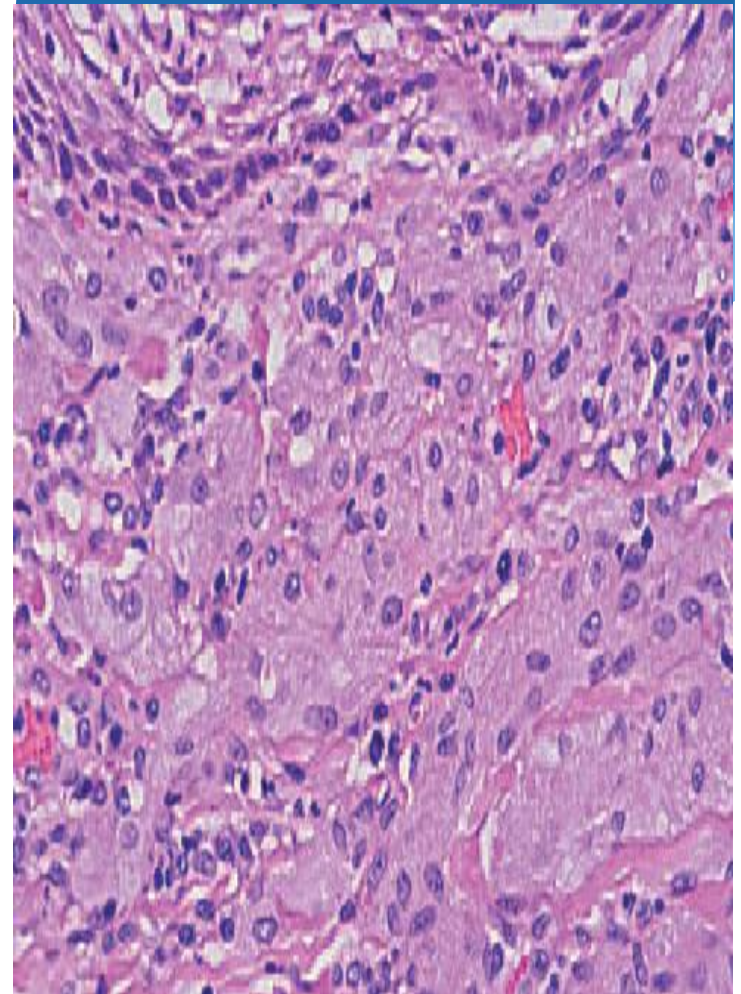
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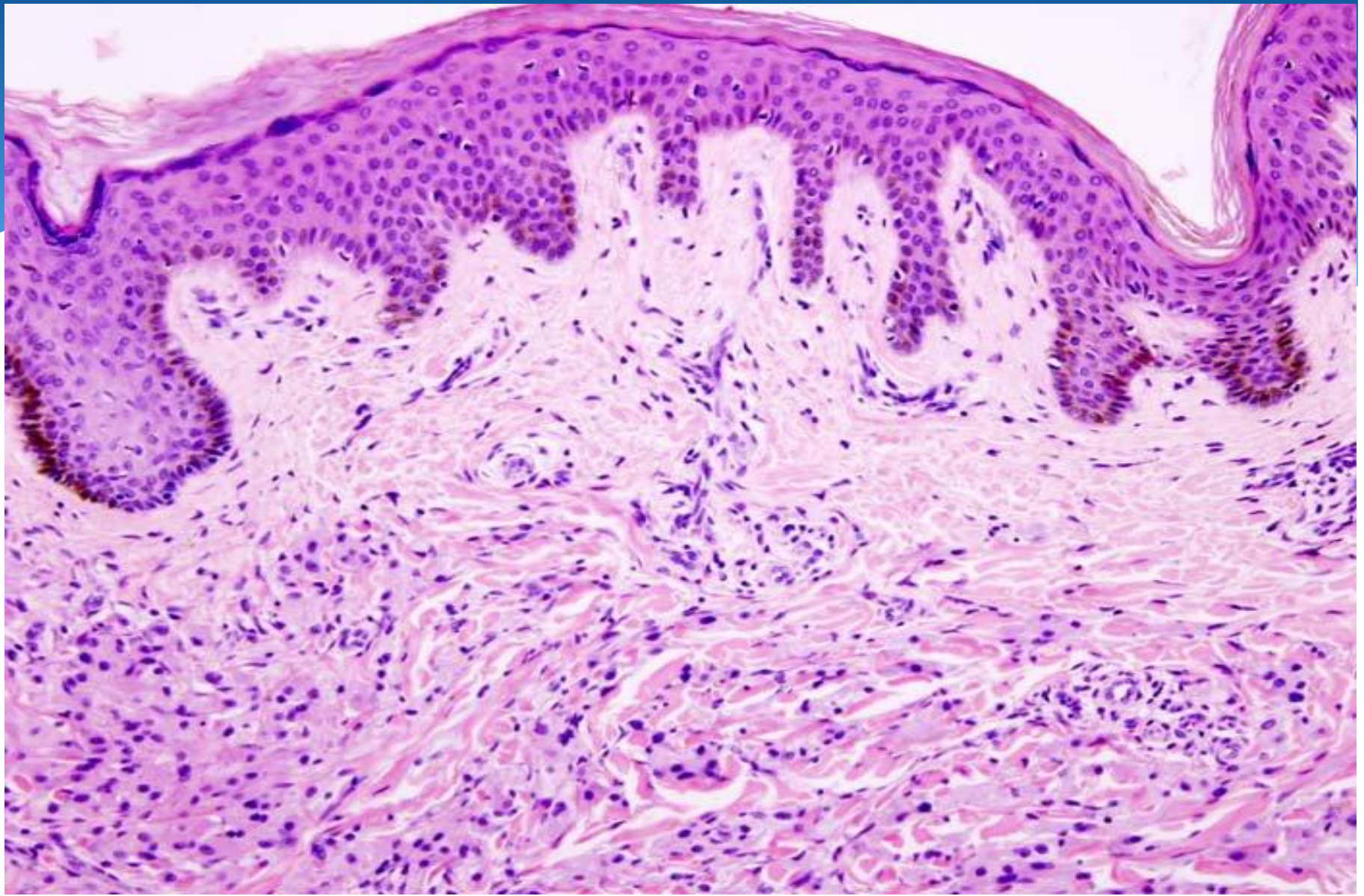
➤ Histopathologically:

- Unencapsulated sheets of
- large polygonal cells with pale granular or grainy cytoplasm
- Pseudoepitheliomatous hyperplasia

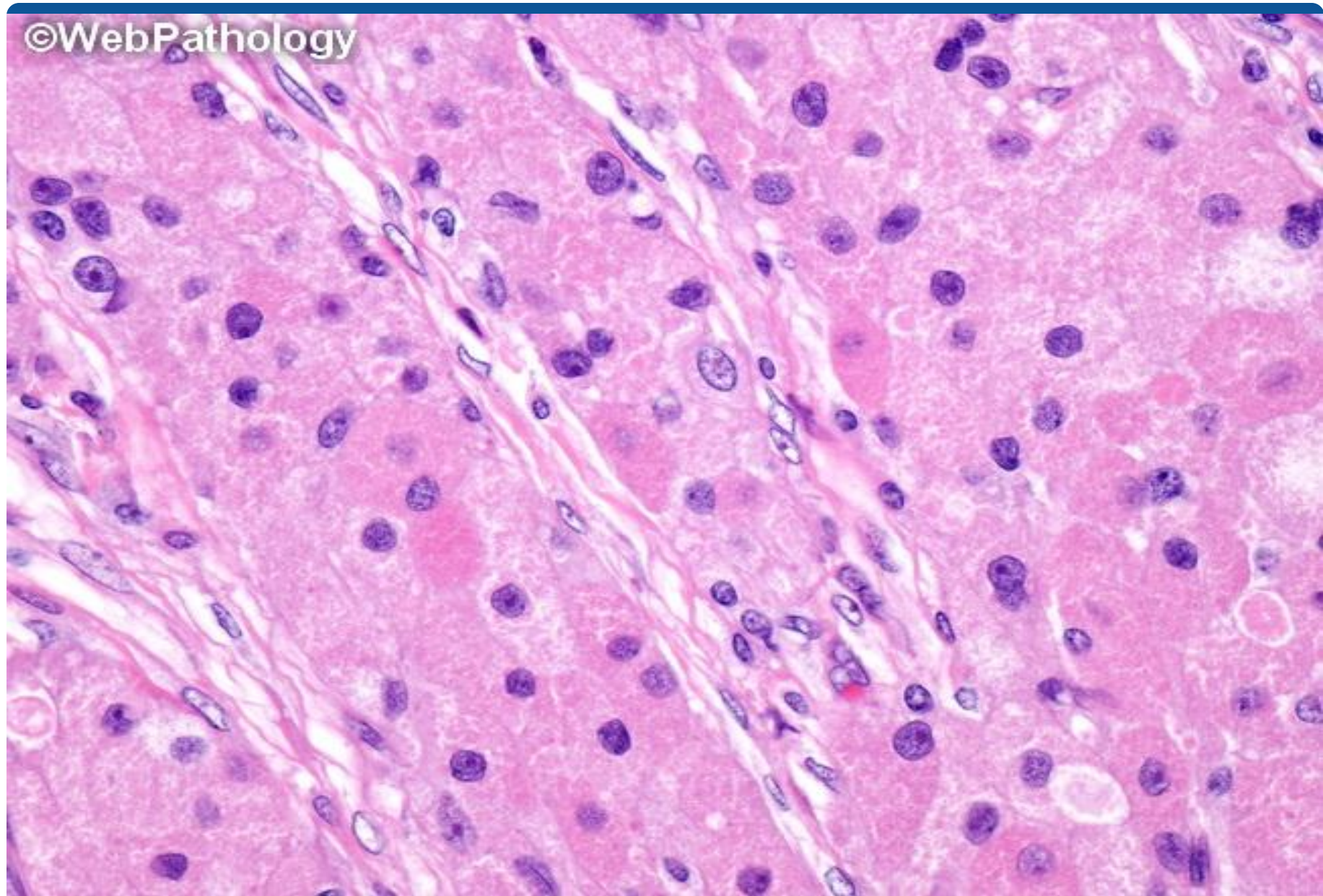
➤ Treatment: Surgical removal



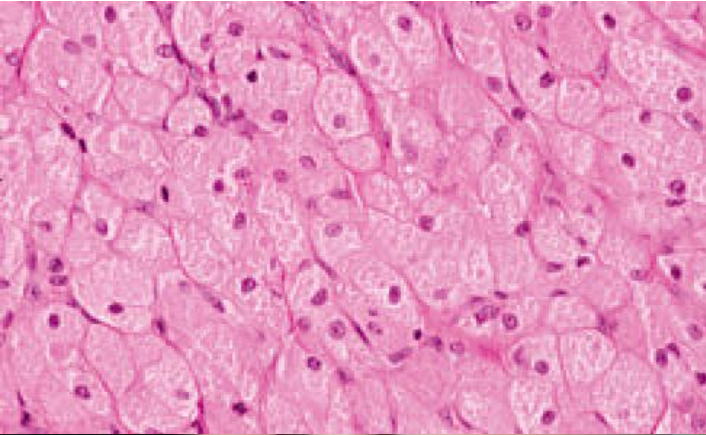
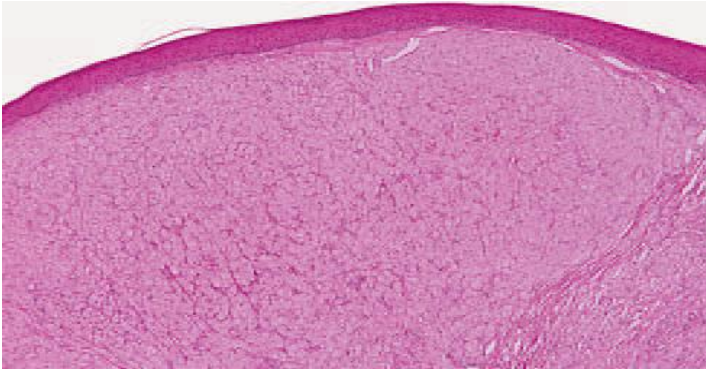








# congenital epulis



- \* **Congenital granular cell epulis of unknown histogenesis with a strong predilection for the maxillary alveolar ridge of newborn.**



# NEURILEMOMA (SCHWANNOMA)

- Etiology: It is derived from schwann cells
- Clinical features:
  - It is an encapsulated submucosal mass
  - Asymptomatic lump
  - Occurs at any age
  - Tongue is the most common location
  - Bony lesion produce a well-defined radiolucent lesion
  - Slow growing but may undergoe a sudden increase (hemorrhage)



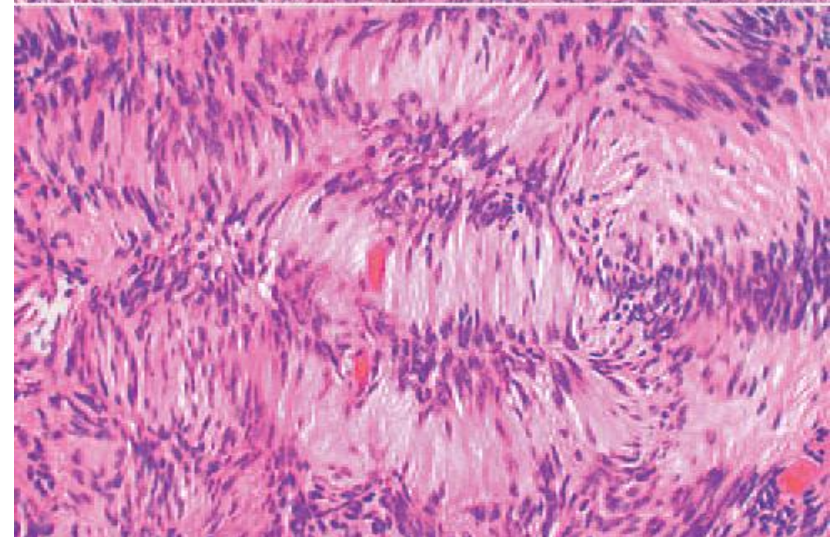
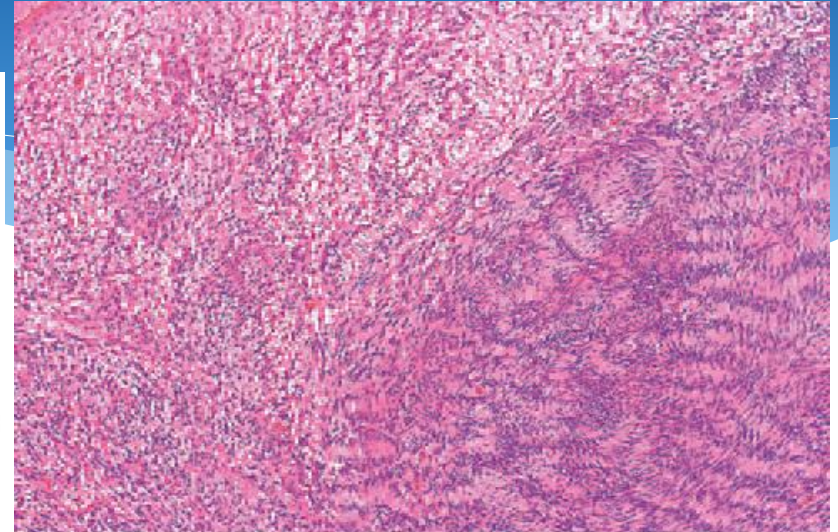
❖ Neoplasms:

❖ Schwannoma:

➤ Histopathology:

- Spindle cells either organized (palisaded waves) or haphazardly distributed

➤ Treatment: Surgical excision



# Neural lesion

❖ Neoplasms:

❖ Neurofibroma:

- It may appear as solitary or multiple lesions
- Etiology: - Solitary type is unknown
  - Neurofibromatosis is inherited
- Clinical features: Solitary type
  - Uninflamed asymptomatic submucosal mass
  - Location: Tongue, vestibule & buccal mucosa





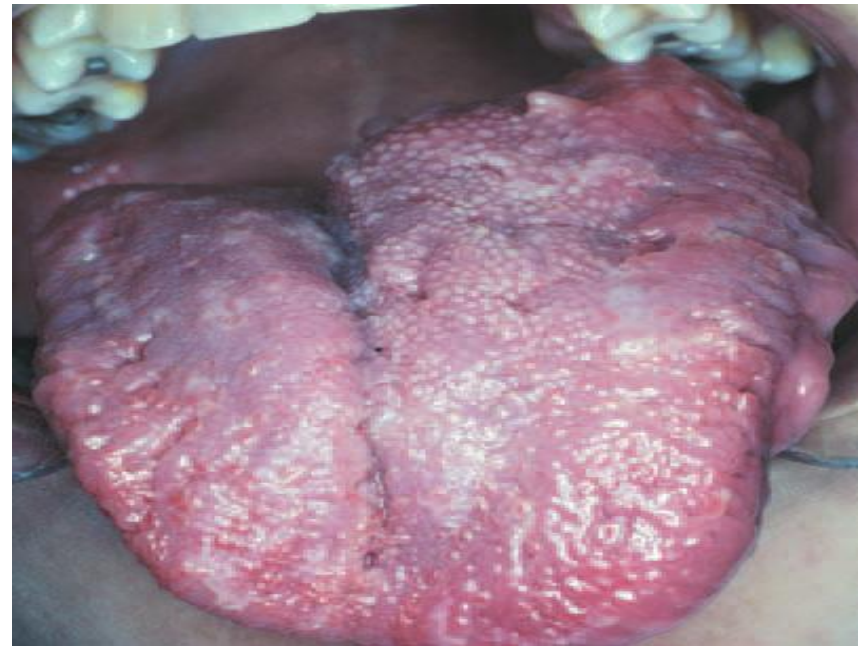
## ❖ Neurofibroma:

### ➤ Clinical features: Neurofibromatosis:

- Multiple
- Café-au-lait macules
- Bone abnormalities (cortical erosion or medullary resorption)
- Central nervous system changes
- Pain or parasthesia may be seen
- Malignant degeneration into neurogenic sarcoma is seen in 5% to 15%



# Neurofi bromatosis



# Neurofibromatosis

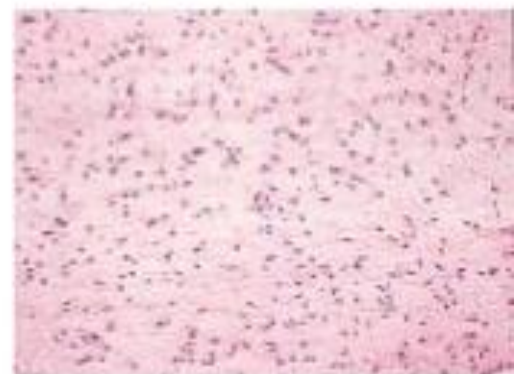
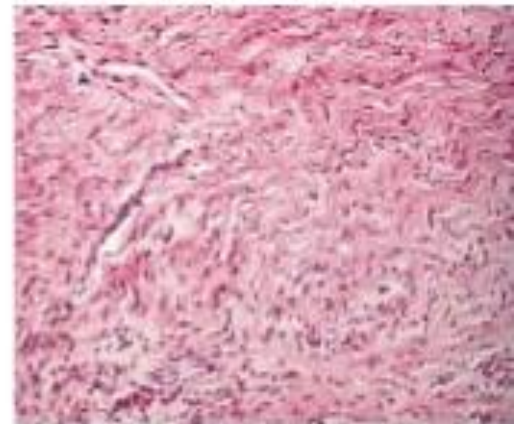
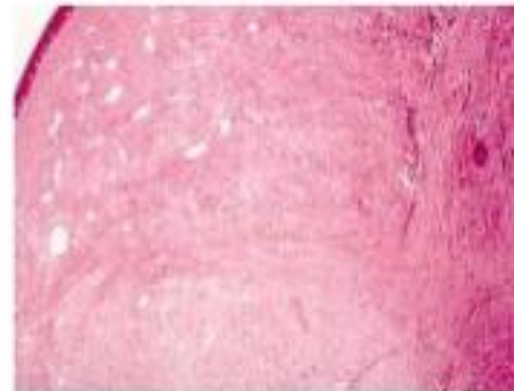




## ❖ Neurofibroma:

### ➤ Histopathology:

- Spindle-shaped cells in connective tissue matrix
- It may be well circumscribed or blended into surrounding connective tissue
- Mast cells are scattered
- Immunohistochemistry with S-100 is a useful tool to confirm diagnosis
- Treatment: Surgical excision for solitary lesion



❖ Malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumor

- The cell of origin is believed to be the schwann cells and possibly other nerve sheath cells
- It appears as expansile mass (soft tissue)
- Asymptomatic
- Dilation of the mandibular canal (bone)
- Pain or parasthesia



## ❖ Malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumor

### ➤ Histopathologically:

- Abundant spindle cells
- Mitotic figures
- Nuclear pleomorphism

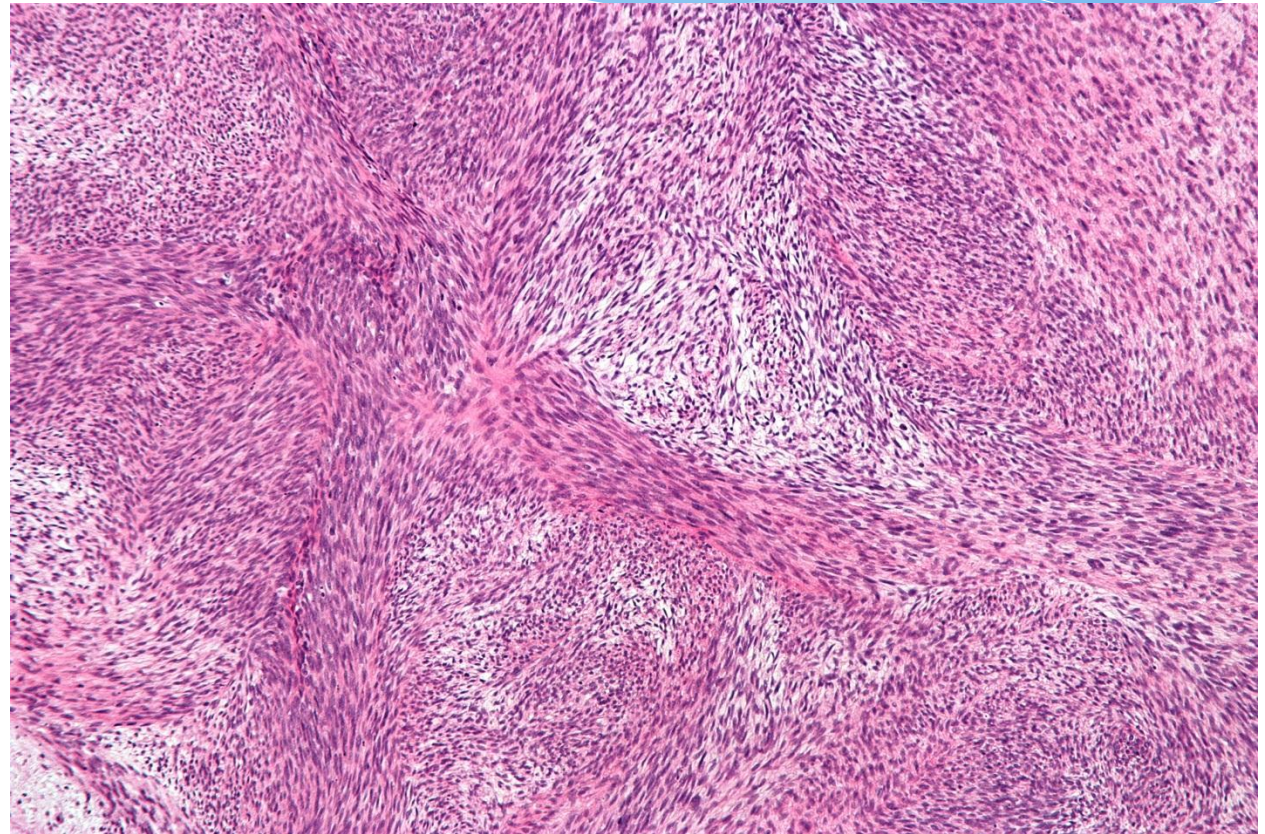
### ➤ Treatment: Wide surgical excision

- Recurrence is common
- Metastases are frequently seen





# MALIGNANT PERIPHERAL NERVE SHEATH TUMOR (MALIGNANT SCHWANNOMA)



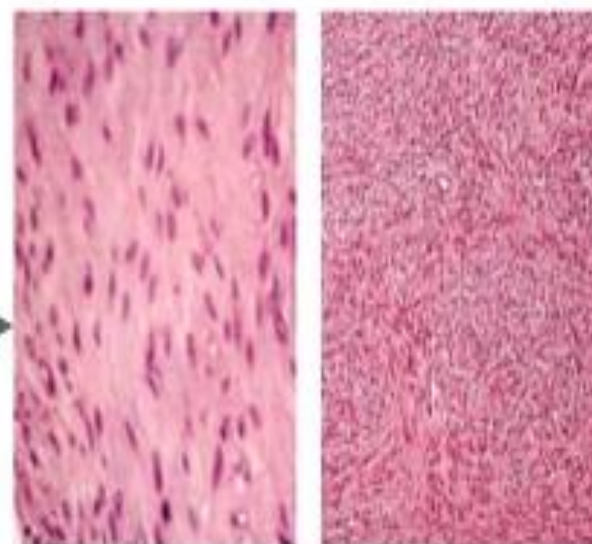
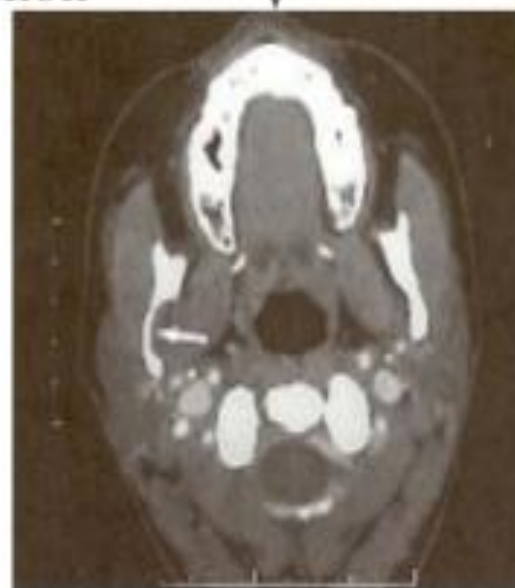
## ❖ Neoplasms (Leiomyoma & leiomyosarcoma):

- Smooth muscle neoplasms are relatively common
- They may arise anywhere in the body

## ❖ Leiomyoma

- Leiomyomas commonly arise in the muscularis of the gut and uterus
- Oral leiomyoma is slow growing & asymptomatic submucosal masses
- Appears in the tongue, hard palate or buccal mucosa
- Appears at any age

Pterygo-mandibular space



Spindle cells →

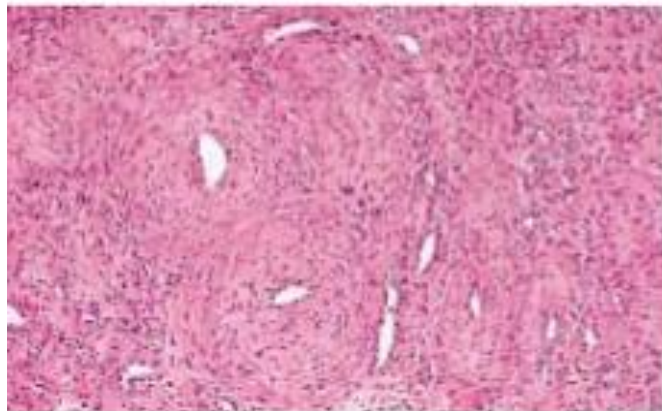


# Muscle Lesions

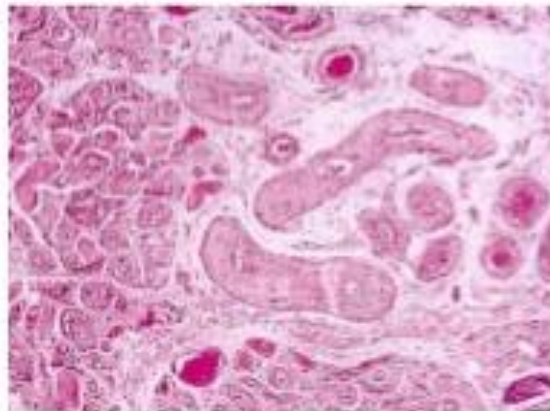
## ❖ Leiomyoma

### ➤ Histopathology:

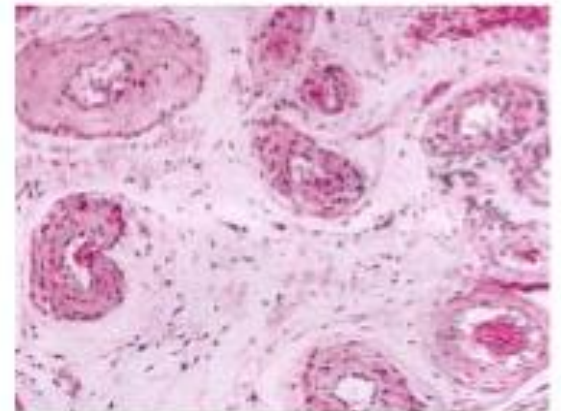
- Immunohistochemical demonstration of actin and desmin protein expression can confirm diagnosis



Obvious vascular origin



Vascular leiomyoma



Limited & uniform proliferation around each of the vascular spaces

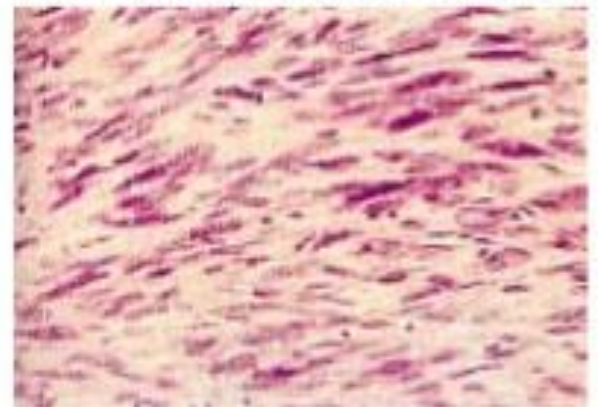
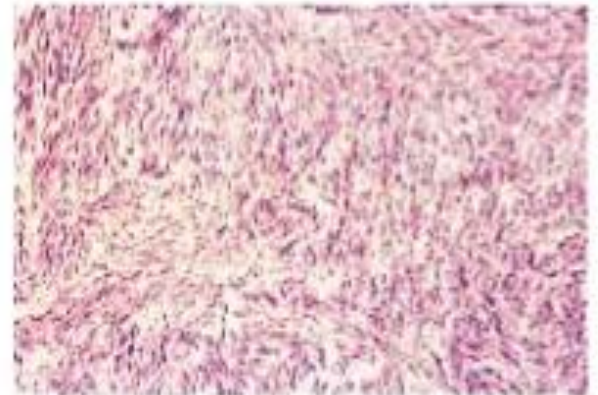




## ❖ Neoplasms

### ❖ Leiomyosarcoma

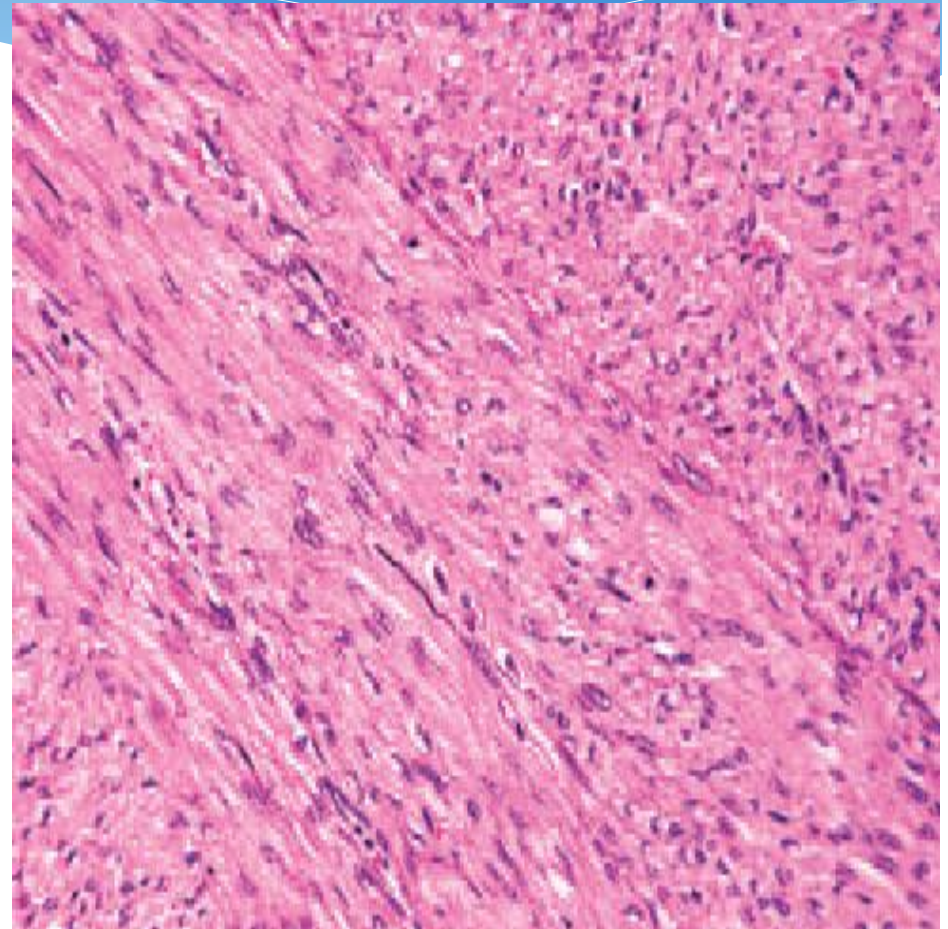
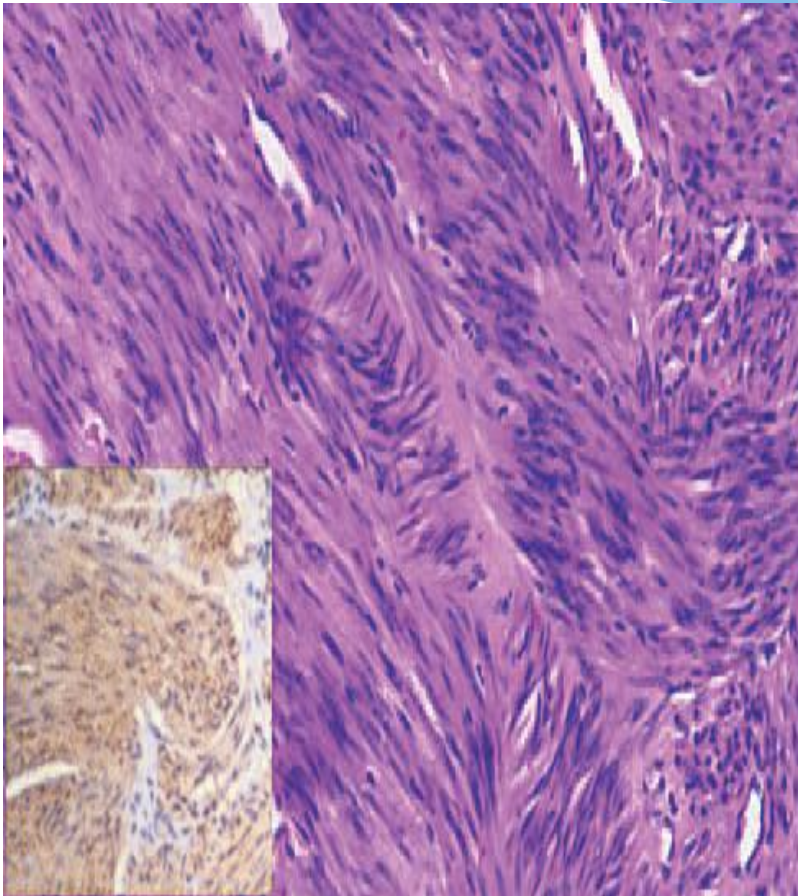
- It is commonly arise in the retroperitoneum, mesentery, or subcutaneous and deep tissue of the limbs
- It may appear at any age
- Immunohistochemistry can be a valuable diagnostic tool
- Treatment: wide surgical excision
- Metastasis is not uncommon



Blunt ended nuclei



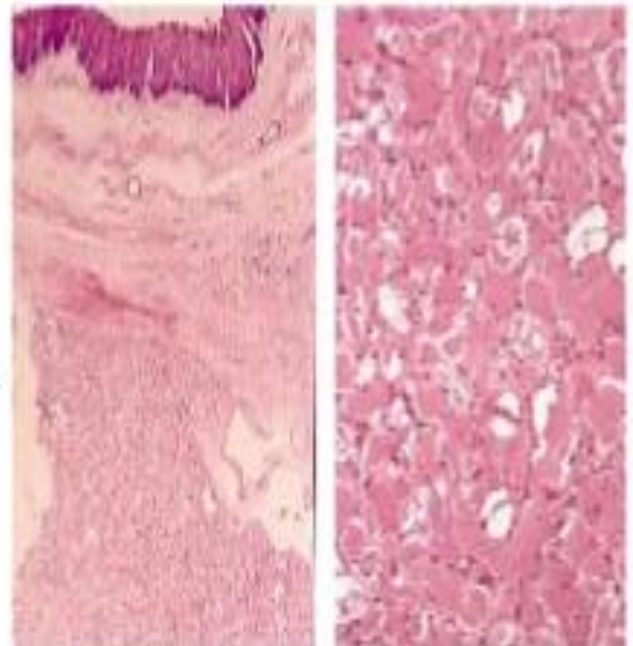
# Leiomyoma & Leiomyosarcoma





## ❖ Rhabdomyoma:

- Predilection for the soft tissues of the head and neck
  - Floor of the mouth, soft palate, tongue & buccal mucosa
- Mean age: 50 years (children to older adults)
- Asymptomatic
- Well defined submucosal mass
- The neoplastic cells mimic their normal counterpart (adult)

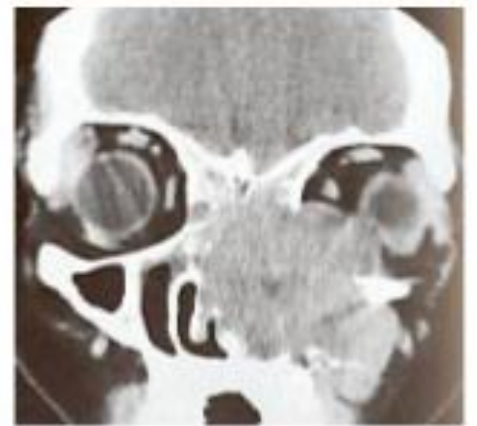


Well demarcated but unencapsulated →

# Muscle Lesions

## ❖ Rhabdomyosarcoma:

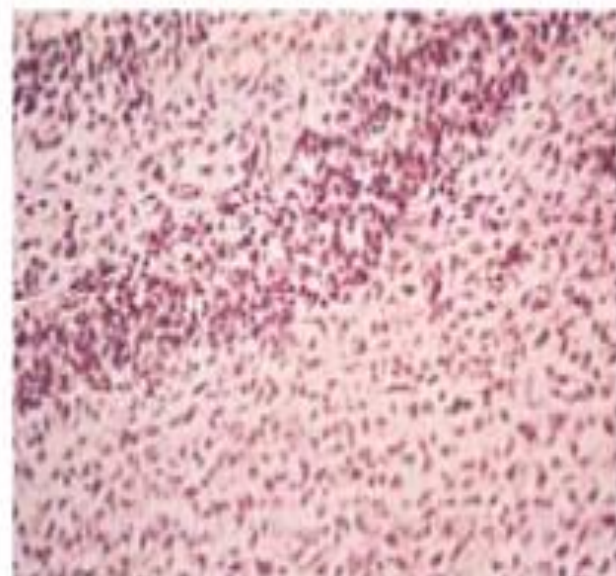
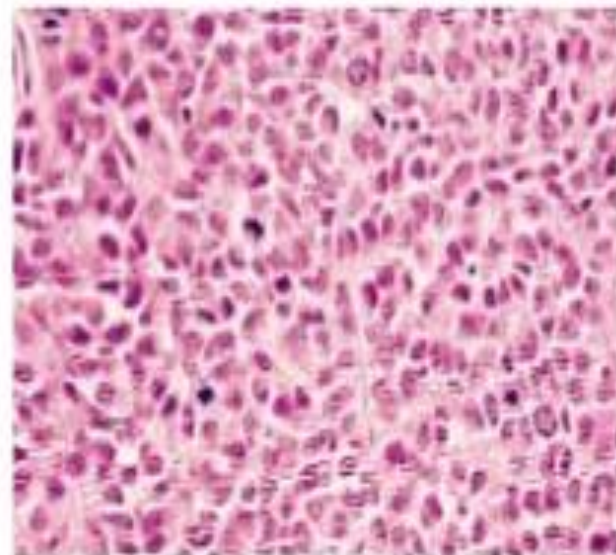
- When occurs in head and neck is primarily found in children
- It is a rapidly growing mass
- May cause pain and parasthesia
- Common location: Tongue and soft palate



# Rhabdomyosarcoma

## ❖ Histopathology:

- Embryonal type (children) consists of primitive round cells in which striations are rarely found
- Immunohistochemistry demonstrates desmin, actin and myogenin



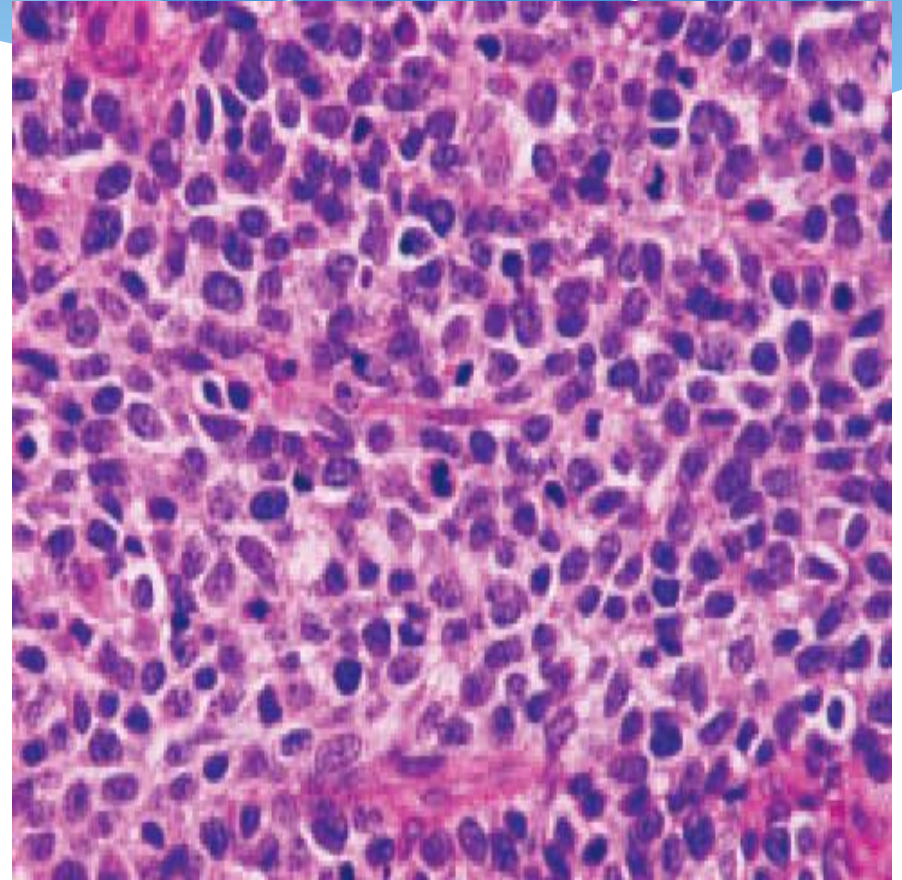
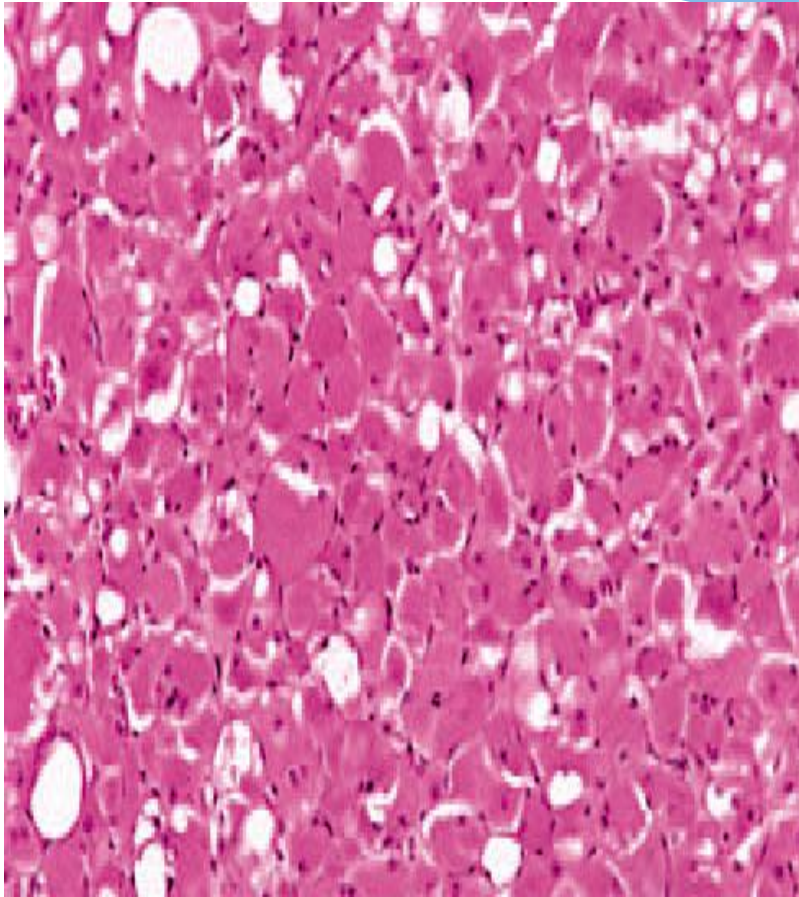


## Rhabdomyosarcoma

- ❖ Treatment: Combination of surgery, radiation and chemotherapy
- ❖ Survival rate increase from 10% to 70% with this aggressive treatment approach



# Rhabdomyoma & rhabdomyosarcoma



## ❖ Lipoma:

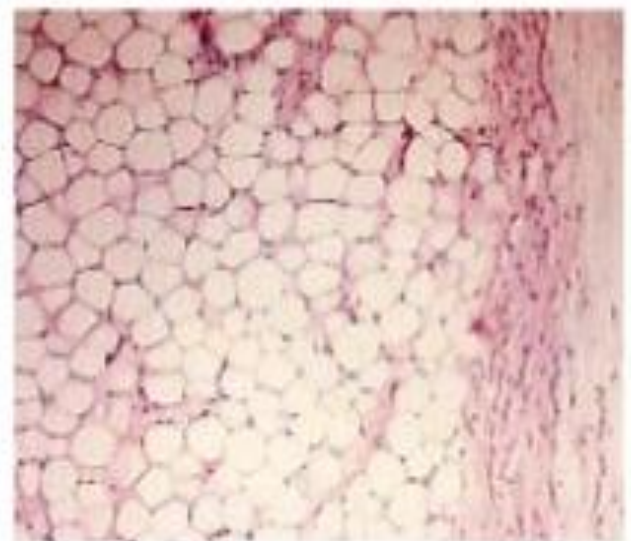
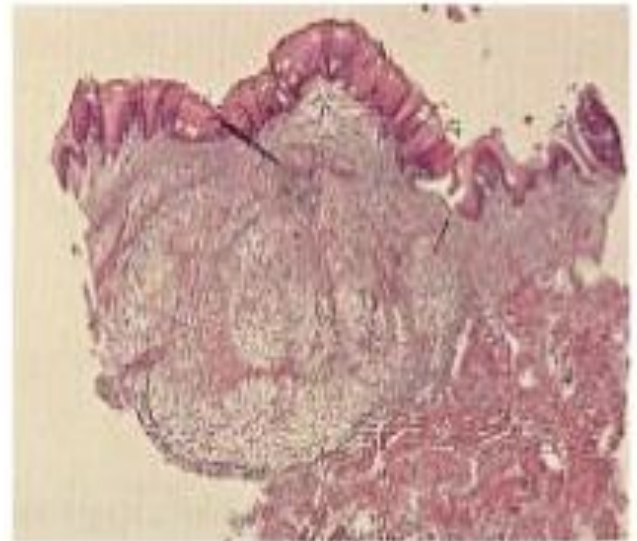
- Location: Buccal mucosa, tongue & floor of the mouth
- Asymptomatic, yellowish submucosal mass
- Overlying epithelium is intact
- Superficial blood vessels are usually evident





❖ Lipoma:

- Well circumscribed, lobulated mass of mature fat cells



❖ Lipomyosarcoma:

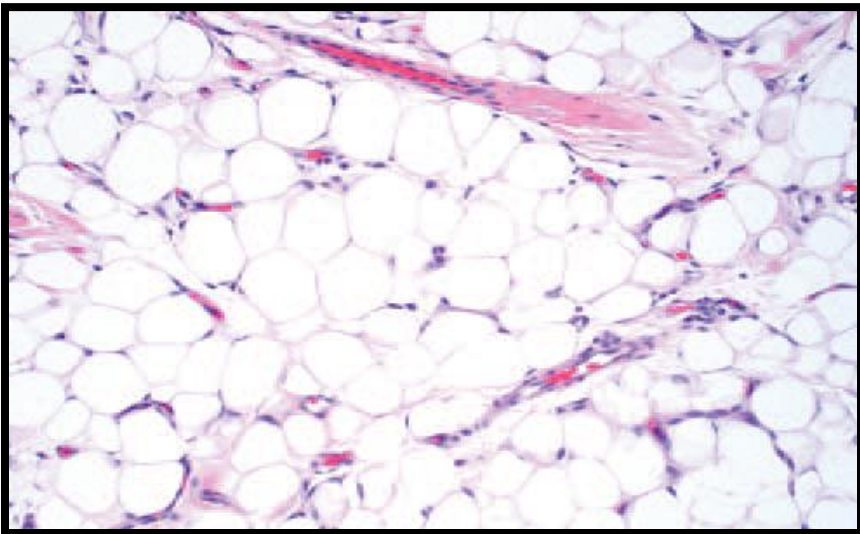
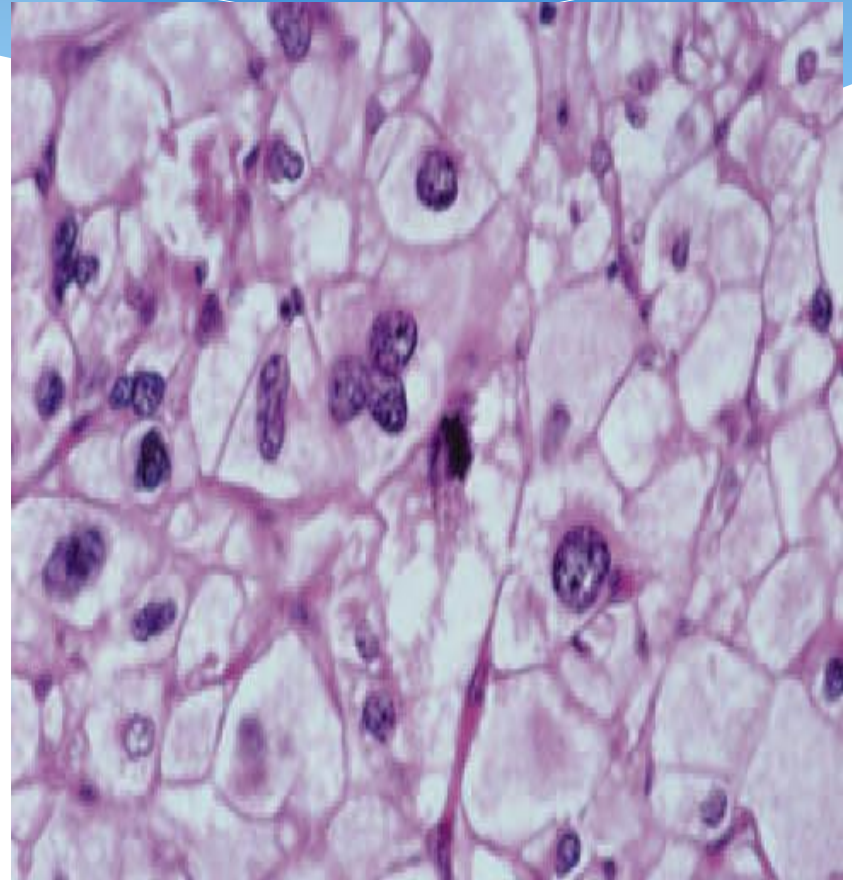
- It is a lesion of adulthood
- It may occur at any site
- Slow growing (mistaken for a benign process)
- Treatment: surgery or radiation
- Prognosis is fair to good



Well differentiated



# Lipoma & LIPOSARCOMA





	Lipoma	Liposarcoma
Location	Subcutaneous fat or muscle	Deep location (intramuscular, retroperitoneum)
Size	< 5 cm	> 5 cm
Shape	Round, oval or fusiform	Multilobulated
Contents	Homogeneous fat-like or thin internal (fibromuscular) septa thinner than 2 mm	Inhomogeneous with intralesional non-fat-containing noduli or septa thicker than 2 mm

## **Suggestive Reading**

***Brad W Neville, Douglas D Damm, Carl M. Allen, Jerry E Bonguot. Oral And Maxillofacial Pathology, 4th Edition, Elsevier, 2015***

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