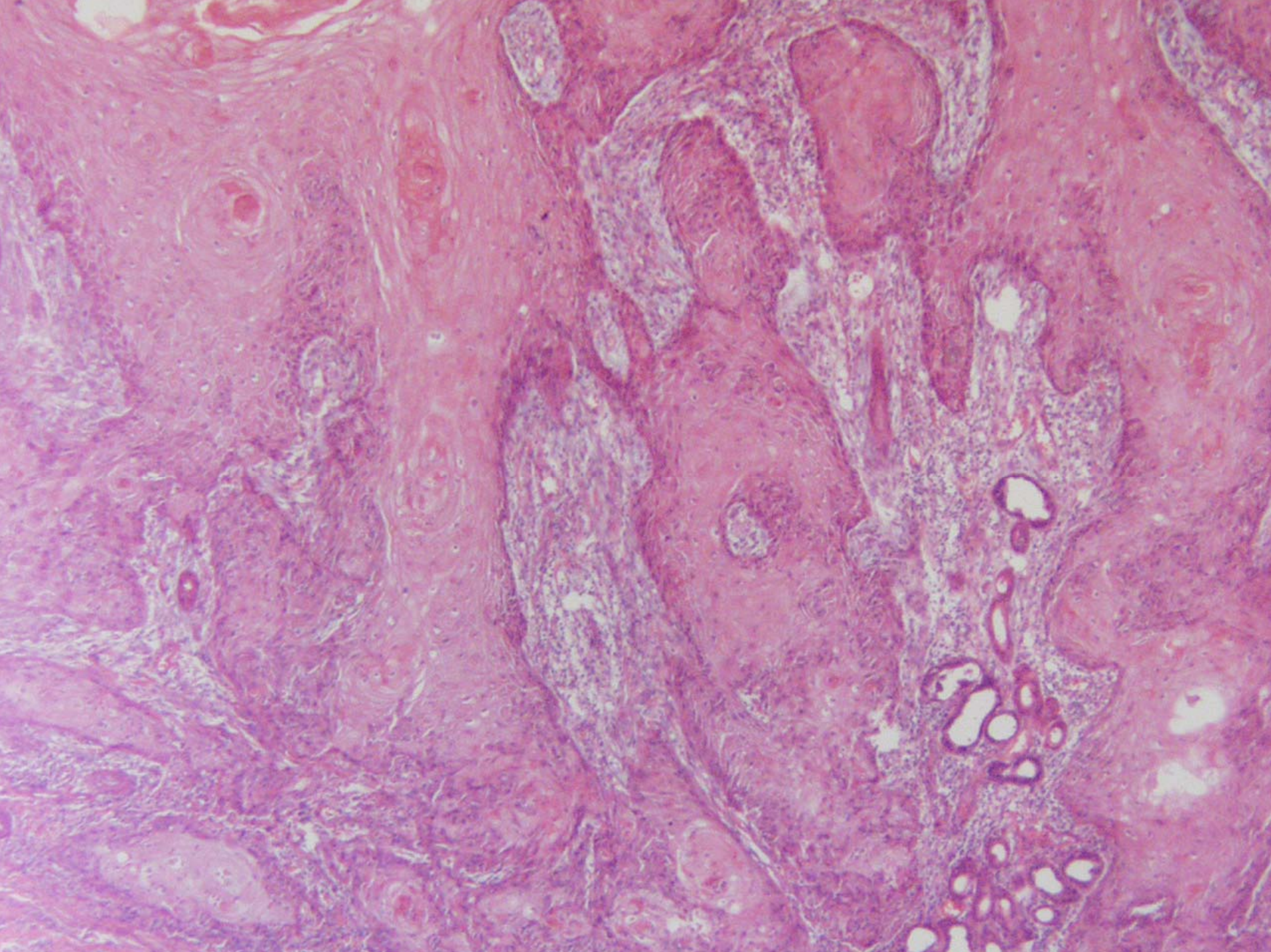


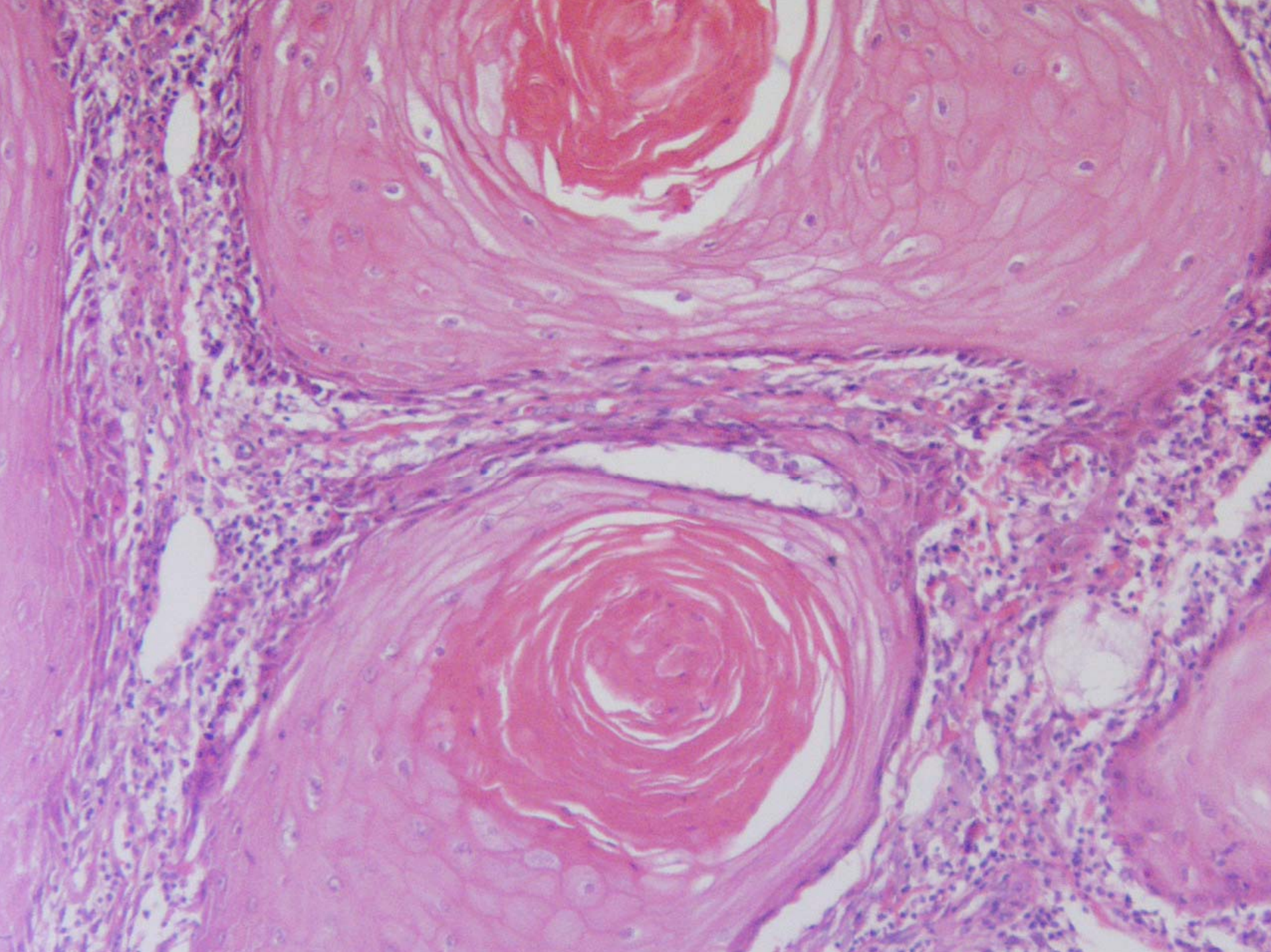


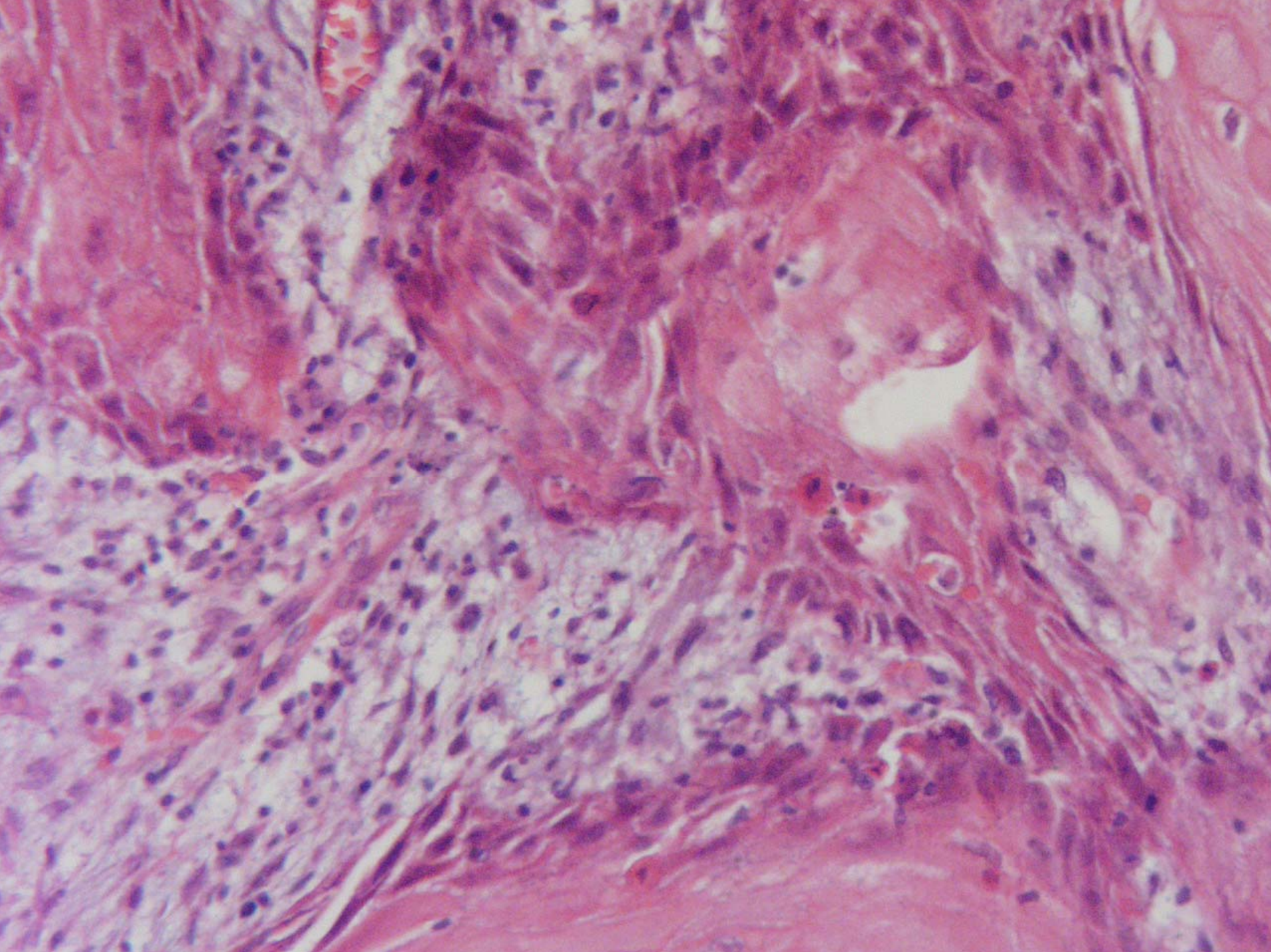
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**Conventional Diagnosis-
Skin, Scalp, Biopsy:**

**Squamous cell carcinoma involving
the biopsy margins.**

Better

Skin, Scalp, Biopsy:
Squamous cell carcinoma, well
differentiated, involving the biopsy
margins.



Squamous Cell Carcinoma...

Good Grades Are Not Enough!

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Should We Report These?

- Thickness
- Grade of differentiation
- Histologic type
- Growth pattern
- Perineural invasion
- Lymphovascular invasion

LABORATORY REPORT

PATIENT: BETTY J. JONES

EXAMINATION: SKIN BIOPSY

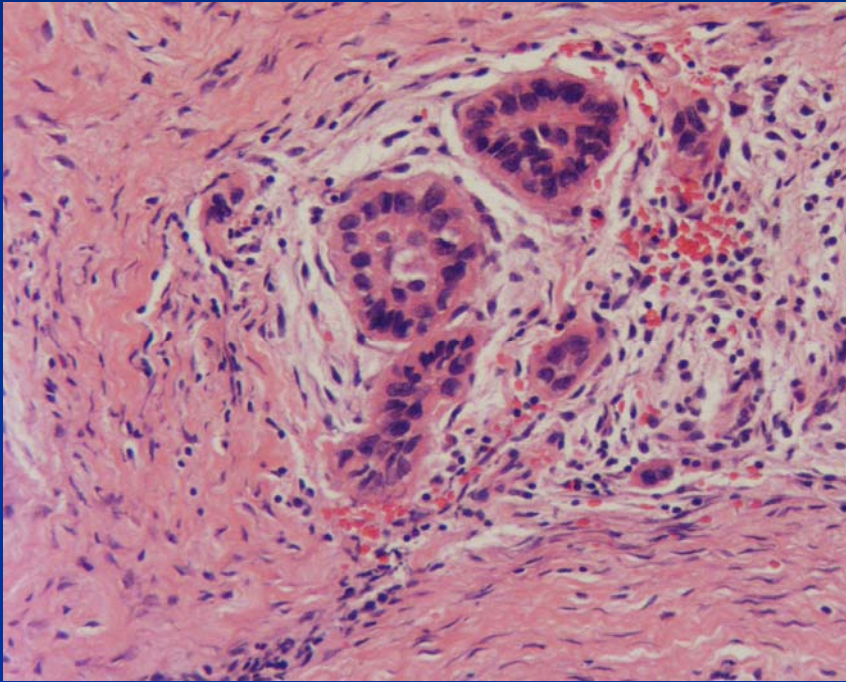
CLINICAL HISTORY: 65-year-old female with a 1.5 cm x 1.0 cm x 0.5 cm raised, pigmented, and crusted lesion on the right cheek, present for 6 months.

HISTOLOGY: The specimen shows a well-circumscribed, nodular growth of basaloid nests and cords within the dermis. The nests are composed of small, uniform cells with hyperchromatic nuclei and scant cytoplasm. The growth pattern is characteristic of basaloid nests. There is evidence of perineural invasion and lymphovascular invasion.

Summary: The histology is consistent with basaloid nests, characteristic of basaloid nests. There is evidence of perineural invasion and lymphovascular invasion.

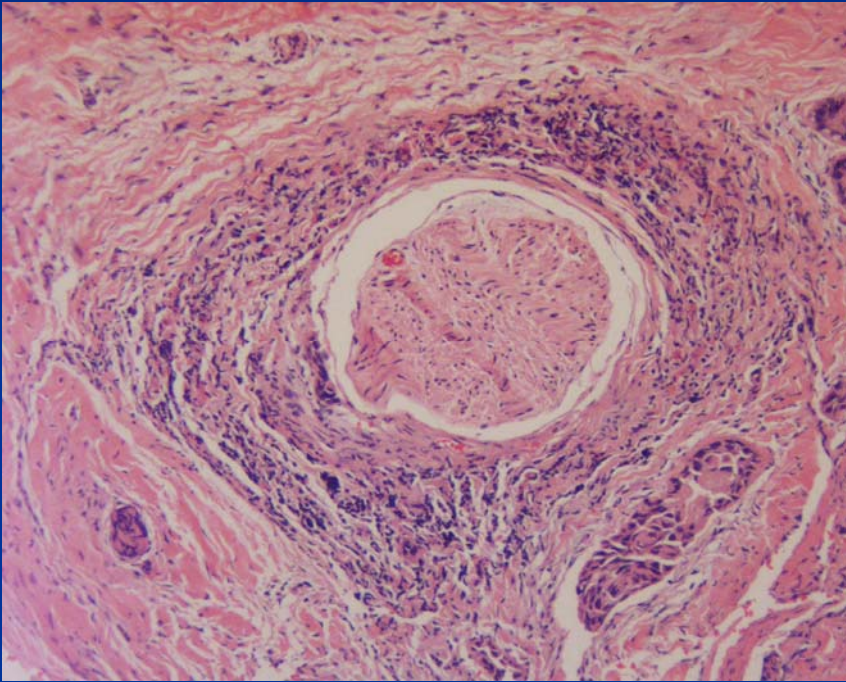
Diagnosis: Basaloid nests, characteristic of basaloid nests. There is evidence of perineural invasion and lymphovascular invasion.

Poor Prognostic Features



- Thickness (Clark's level and Breslow depth)
 - Recurrence risk
 - <10% for lesions <2 cm
 - 30% for lesions >2 cm
 - Survival
 - 3 YRS was 98% if tumor <3.5 mm in depth
 - 84% >3.5 mm in depth
- Growth pattern
 - Small nests
 - Infiltrative pattern
 - Diffuse haphazard growth
 - Isolated strands
 - Clusters of cells or single cells

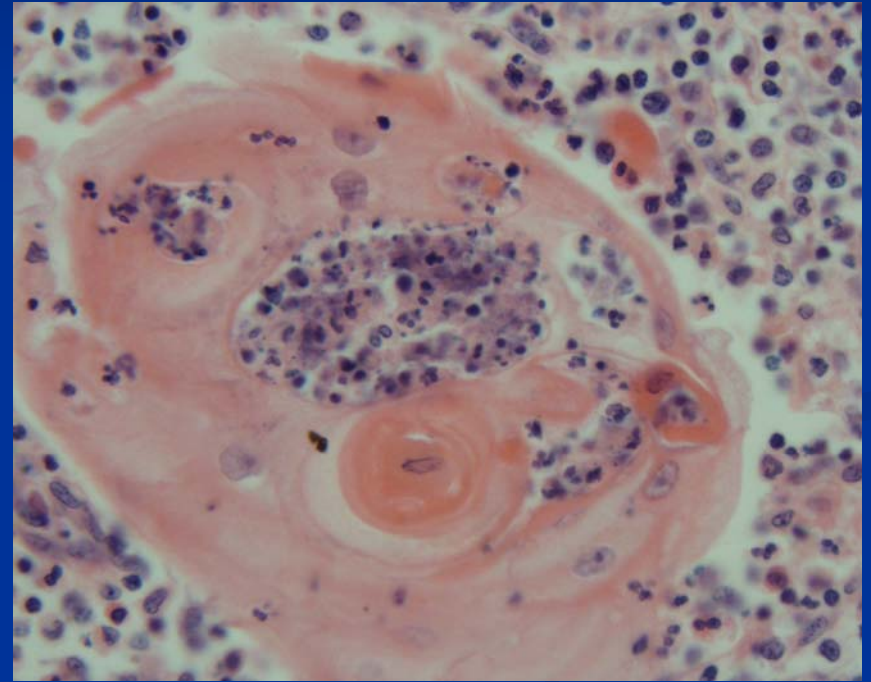
Poor Prognostic Factors



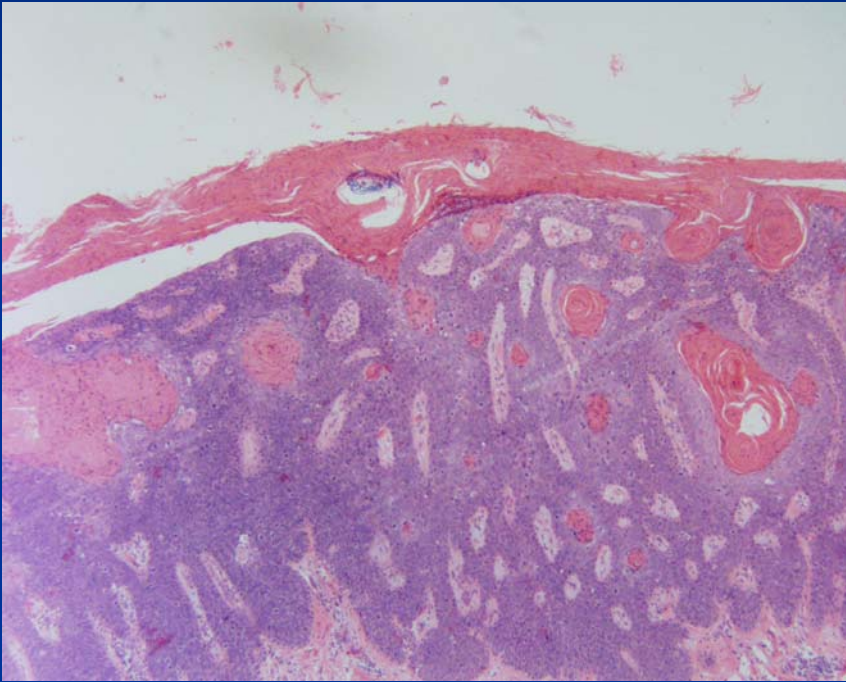
- Perineural invasion
 - Present in 2.4-14% of tumors
 - More frequent in recurrences
 - 2 year cure rate of only 2% if perineural invasion was found
- Degree of differentiation
- Histologic type
- Recurrence after treatment

Questionable Significance

- Location (non-mucosal surfaces excluded)
- Ulceration
- Inflammation

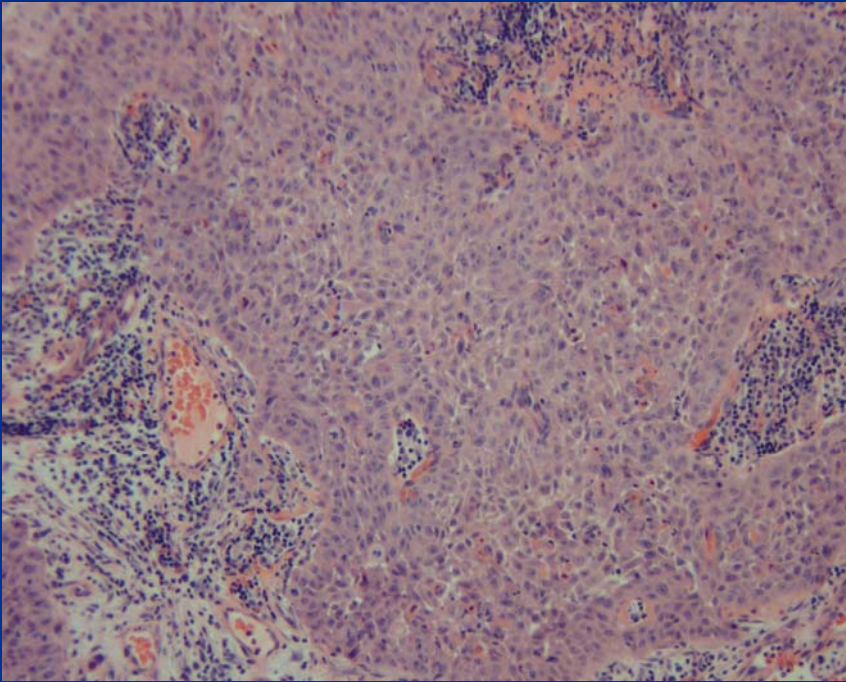


Low Risk of Aggressive Behavior

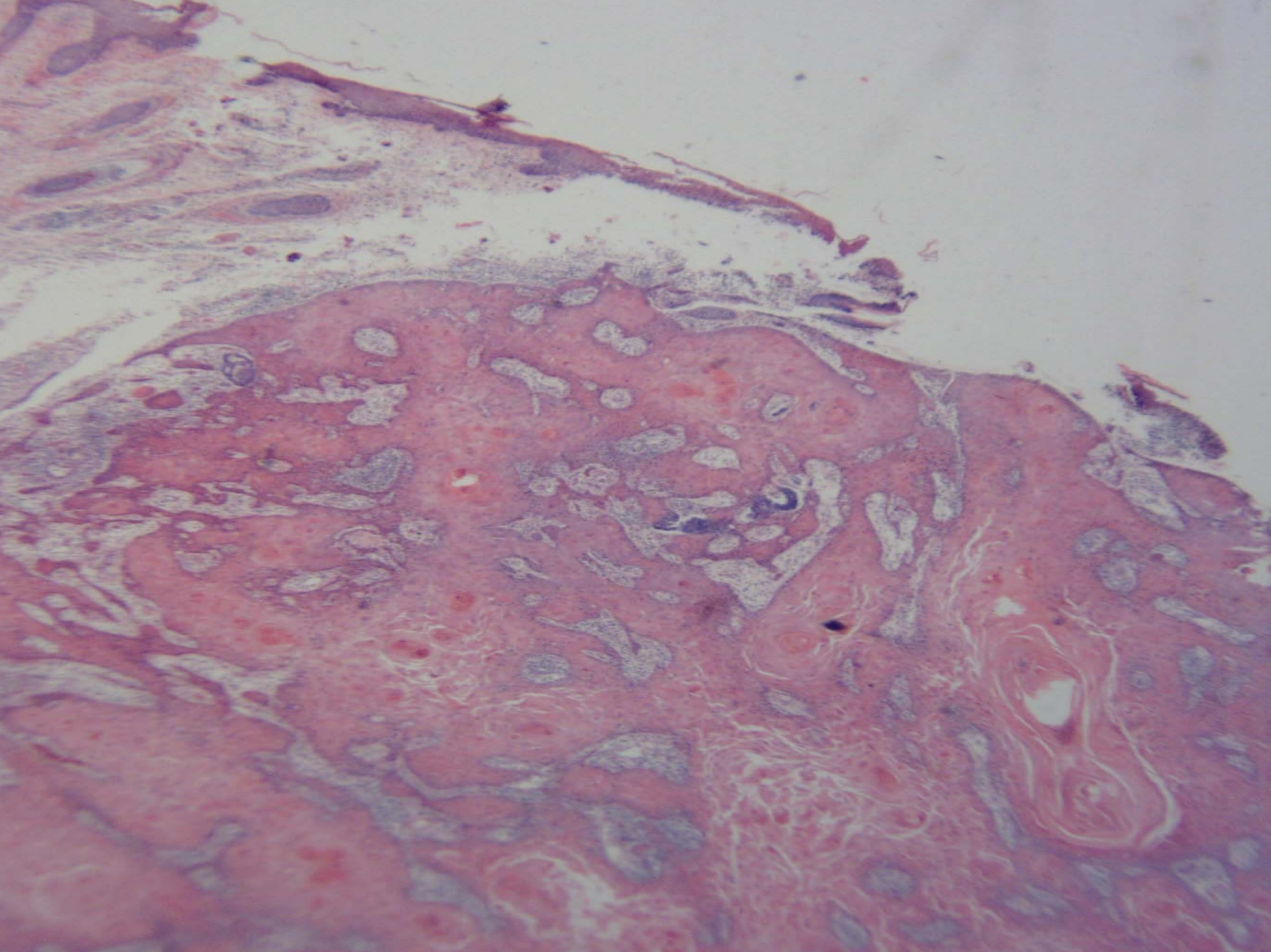


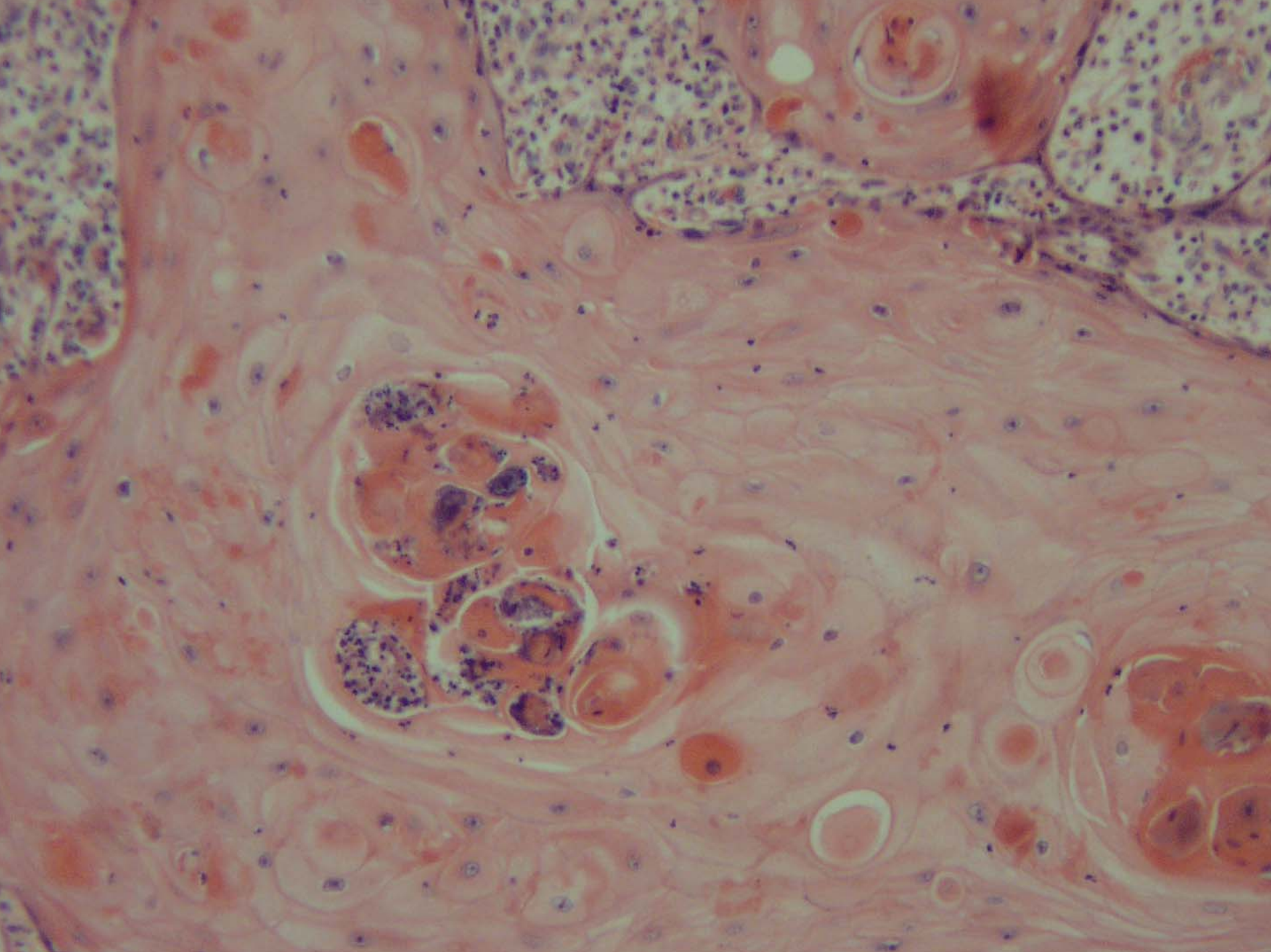
- Bowen's Disease/Carcinoma in situ/Erythroplasia of Queyrat
- Actinic keratosis/KIN I-III
- Keratoacanthoma
- Verrucous
- Papillary

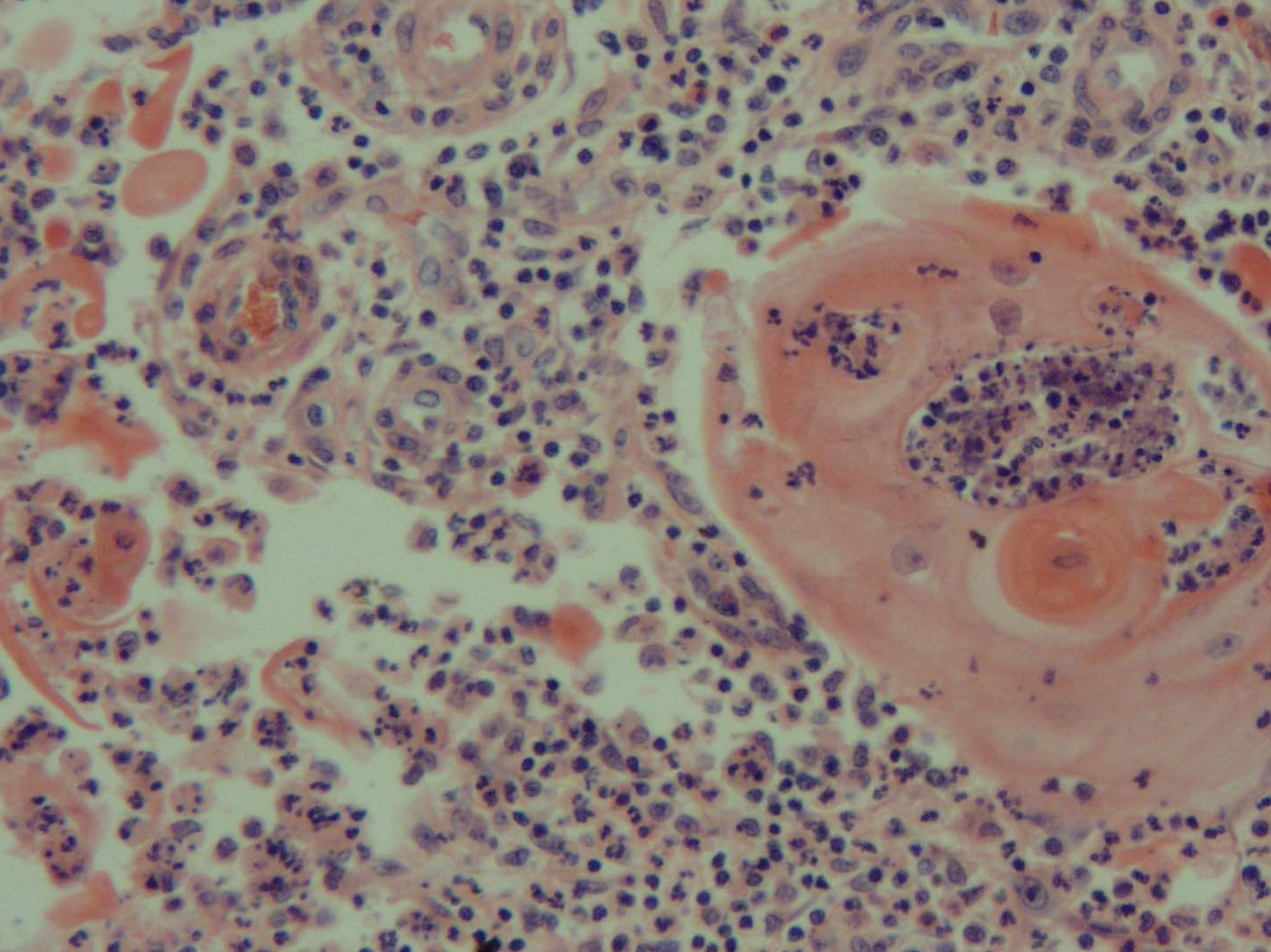
High Risk of Aggressive Behavior

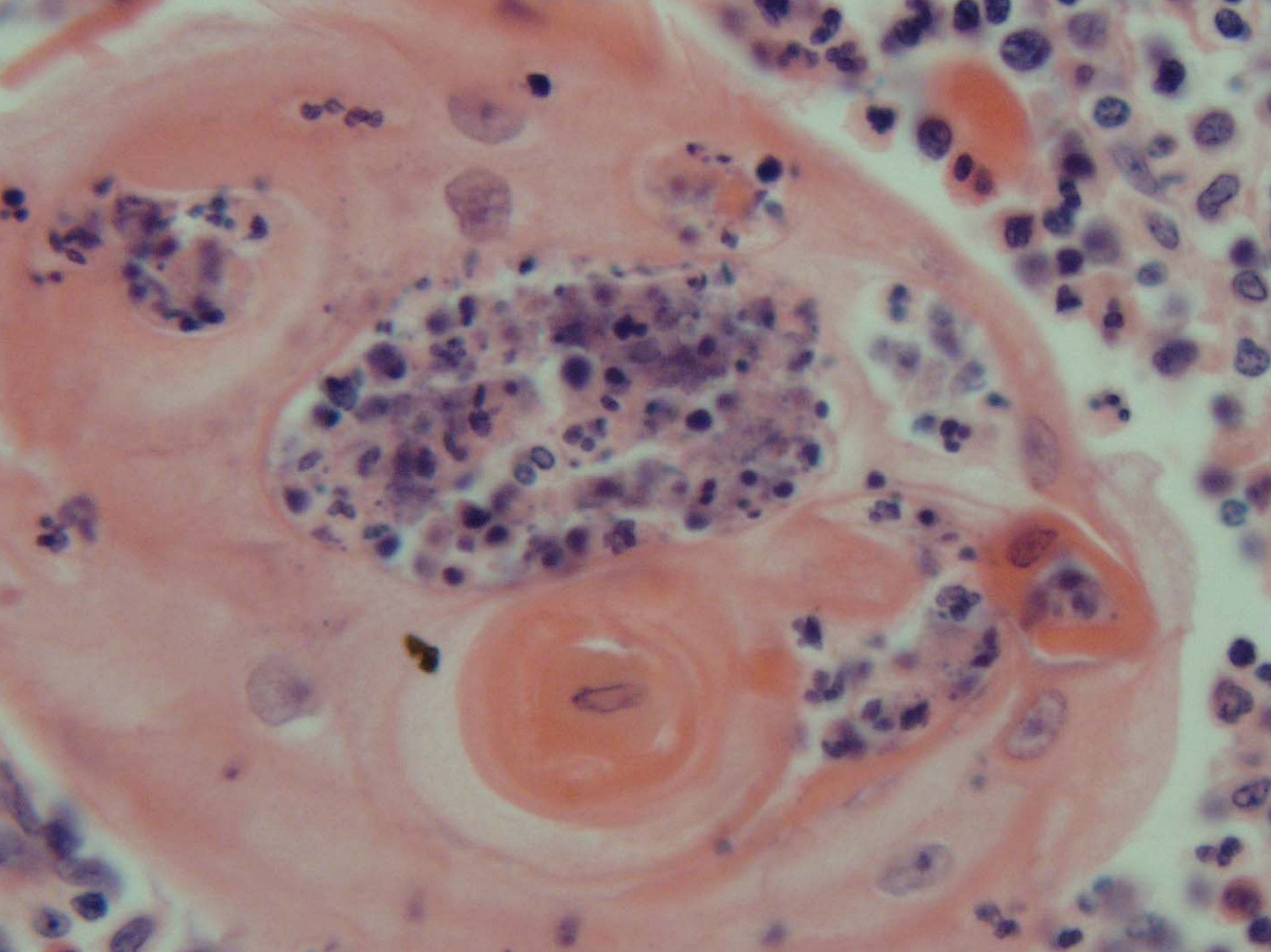


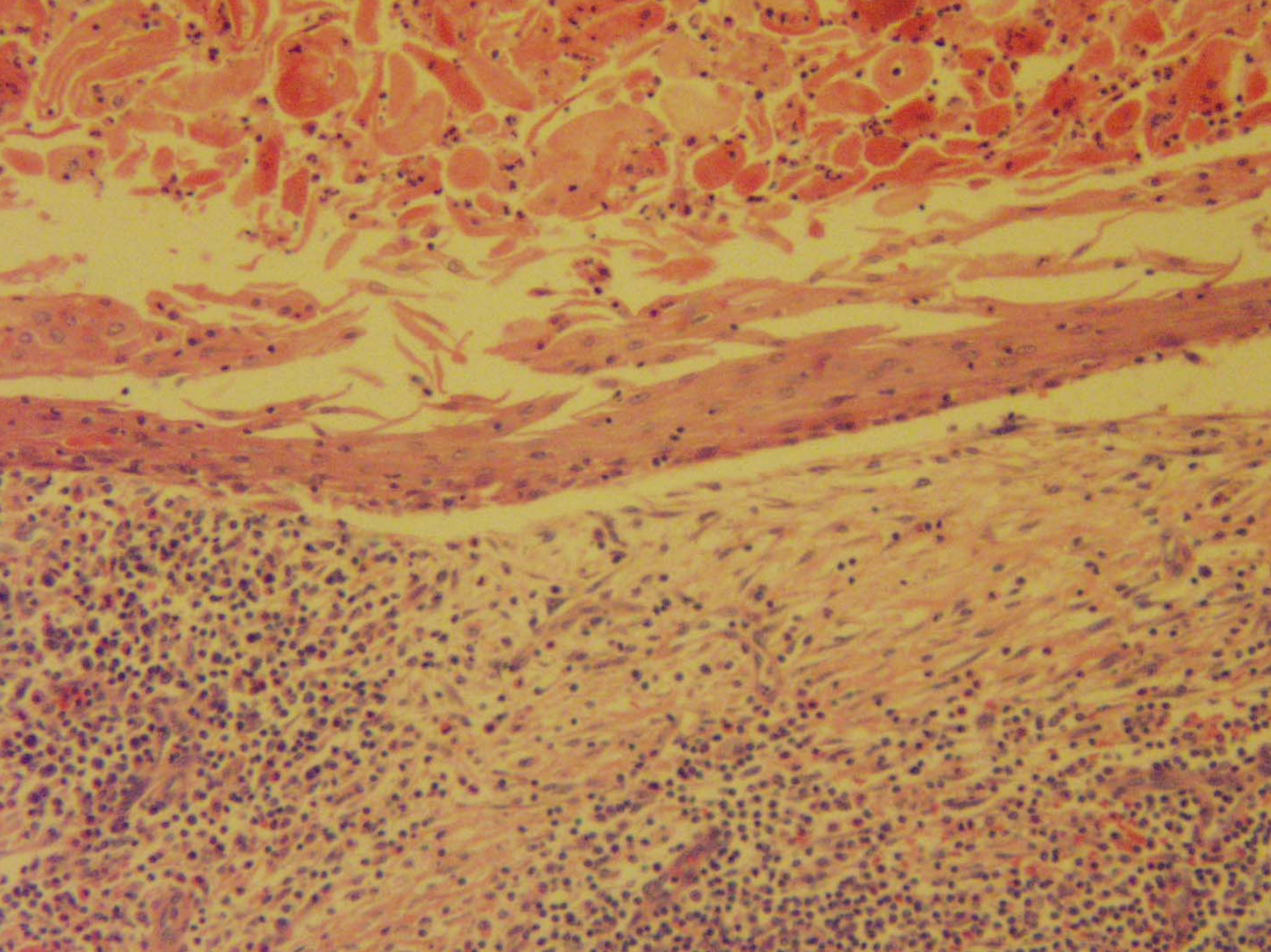
- Marjolin's Ulcer
- Acantholytic
- Desmoplastic/
Sarcomatoid
- Invasive Bowenoid
- Adenosquamous
- Lymphoepithelioma-
like carcinoma
- Transplant related











Keratoacanthoma

Keratoacanthoma Clinical Variants



- Giant
- Multiple-Ferguson Smith Type
- Multiple-Grzybowski (Eruptive) Type
- Subungual

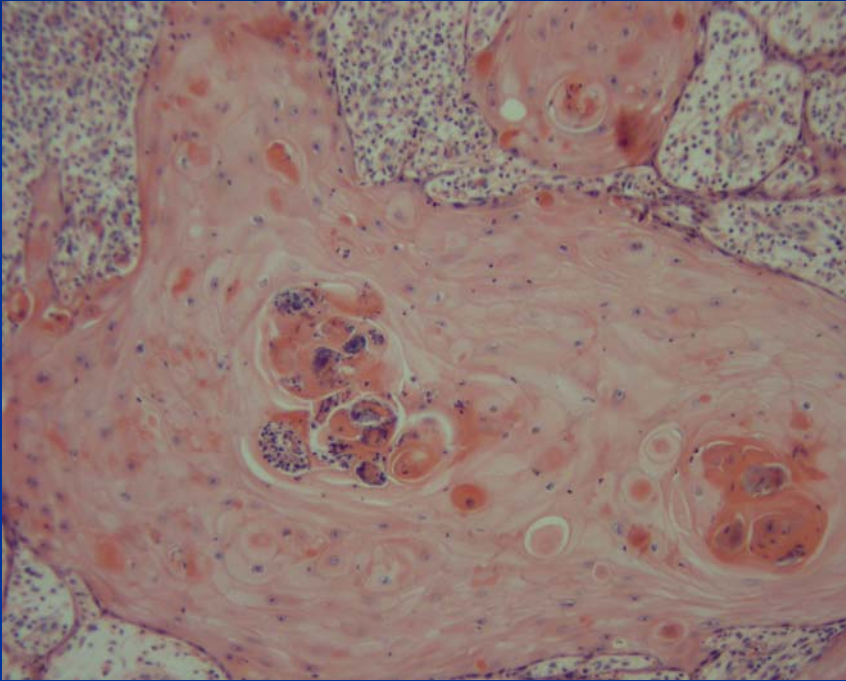


Histopathology



- Exo-endophytic proliferation
- Keratin filled crater
- Buttressing or lipping of the epidermal edges

Histopathology



- Eosinophilic cytoplasm of keratinocytes
- Bland cytology
- Rare mitotic figures
- Frequent eosinophils and neutrophils

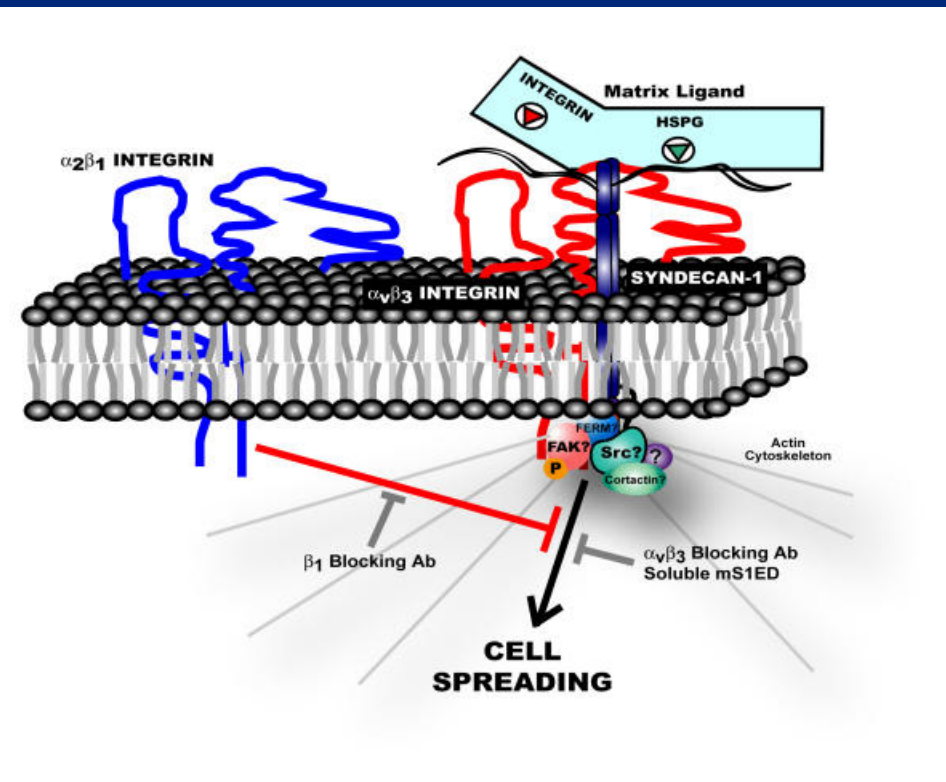
Solitary keratoacanthoma is a squamous-cell carcinoma: three examples with metastases.

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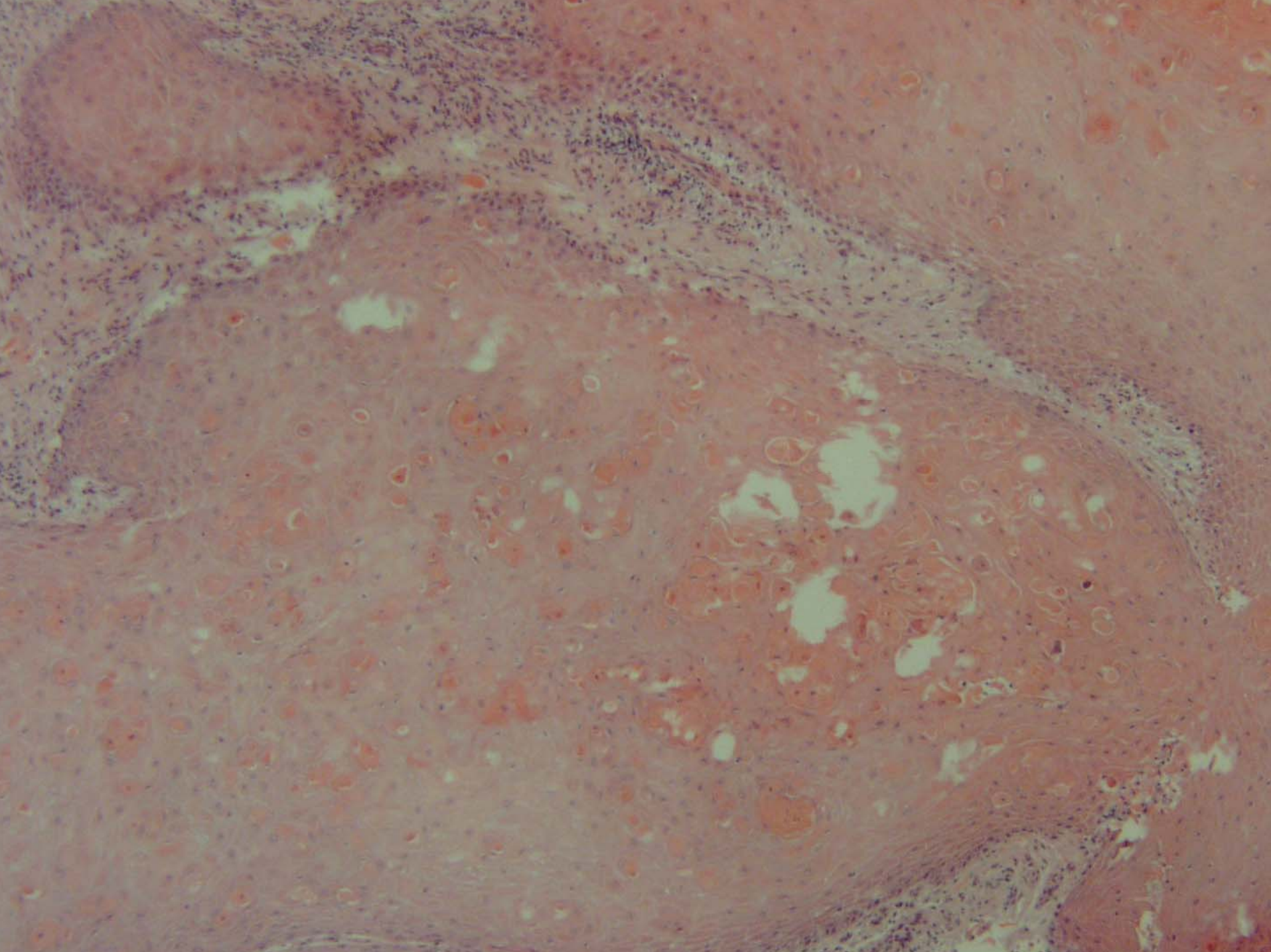
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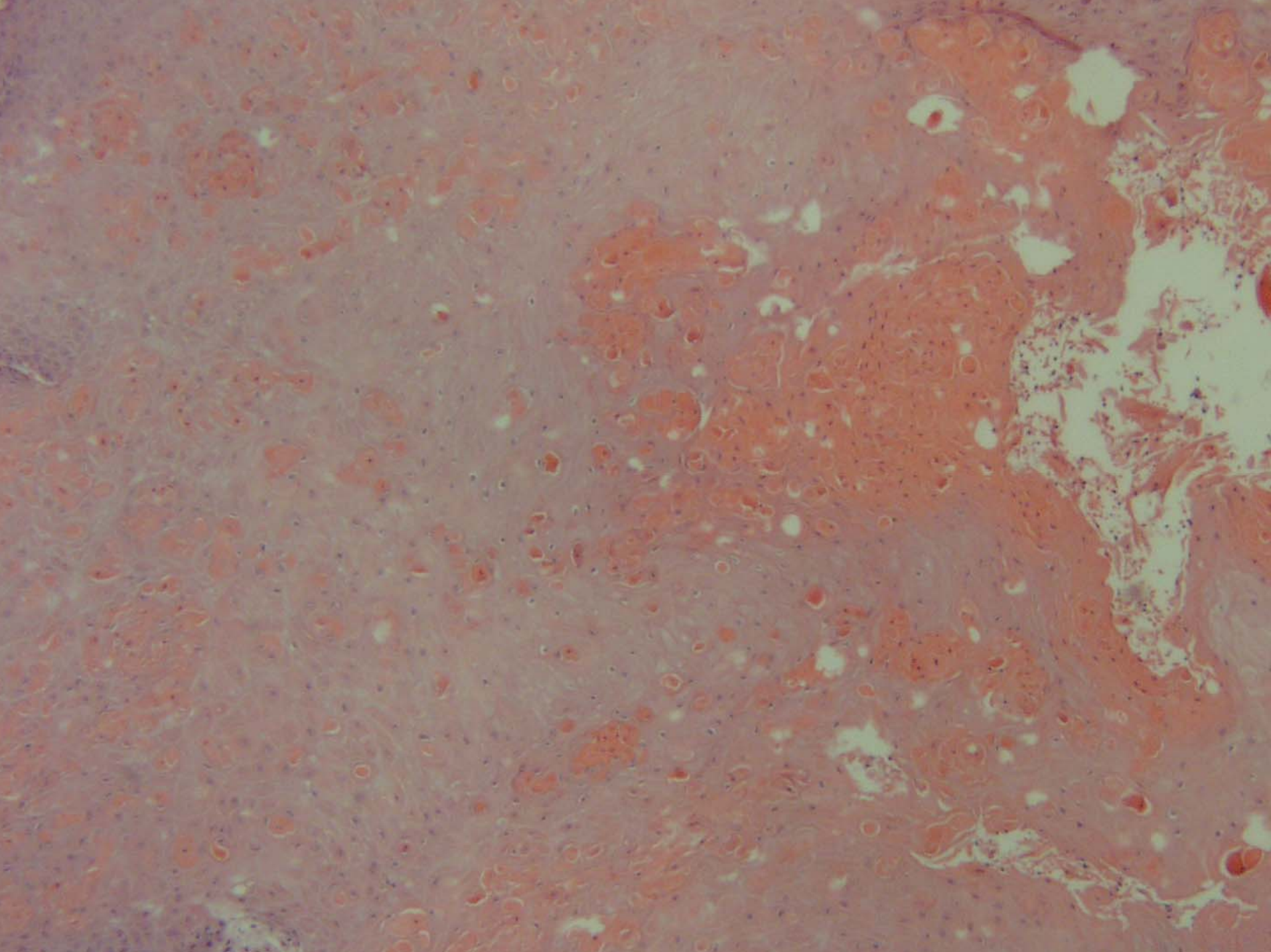
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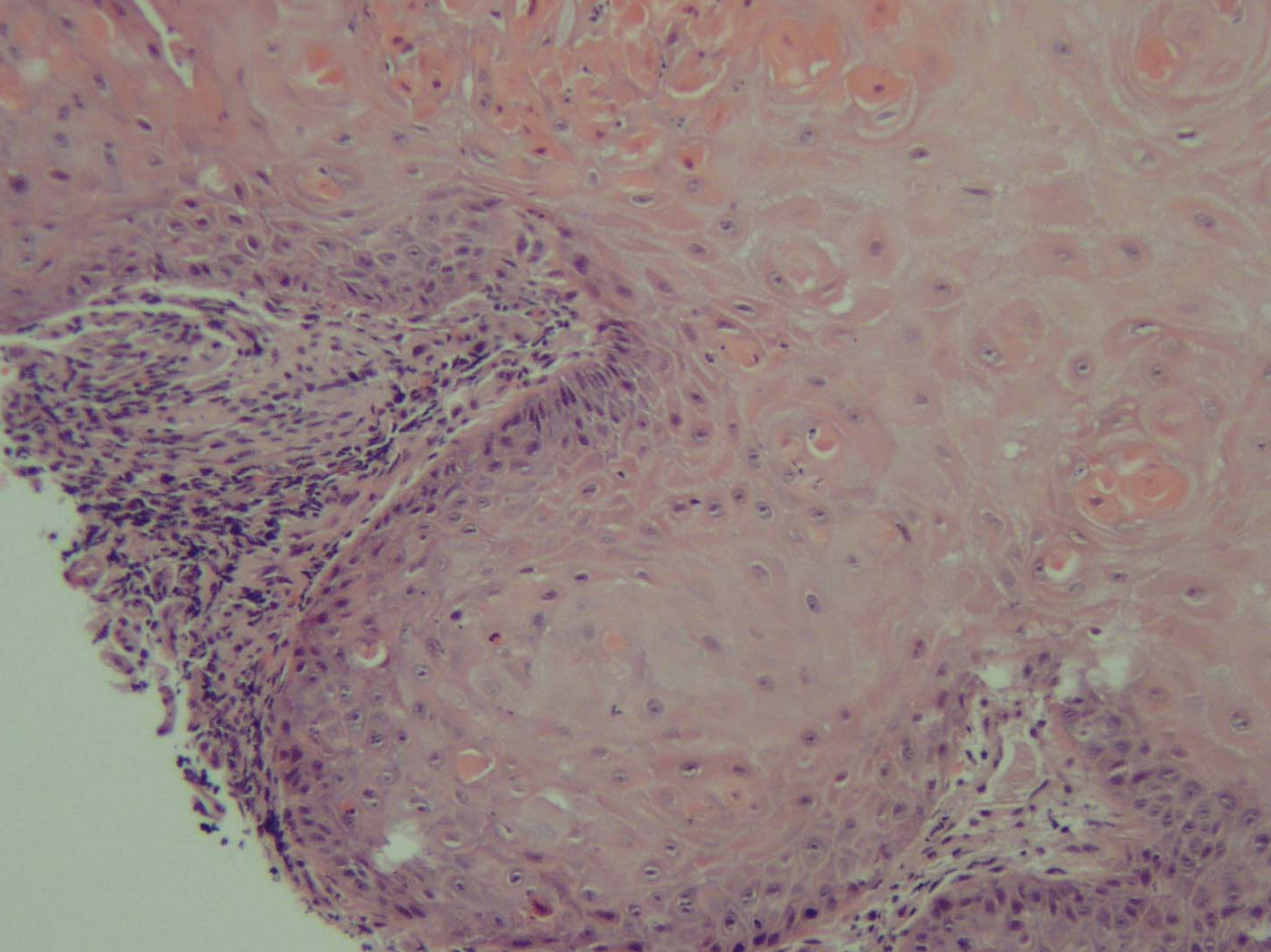
KA-Differentiation from SCCA

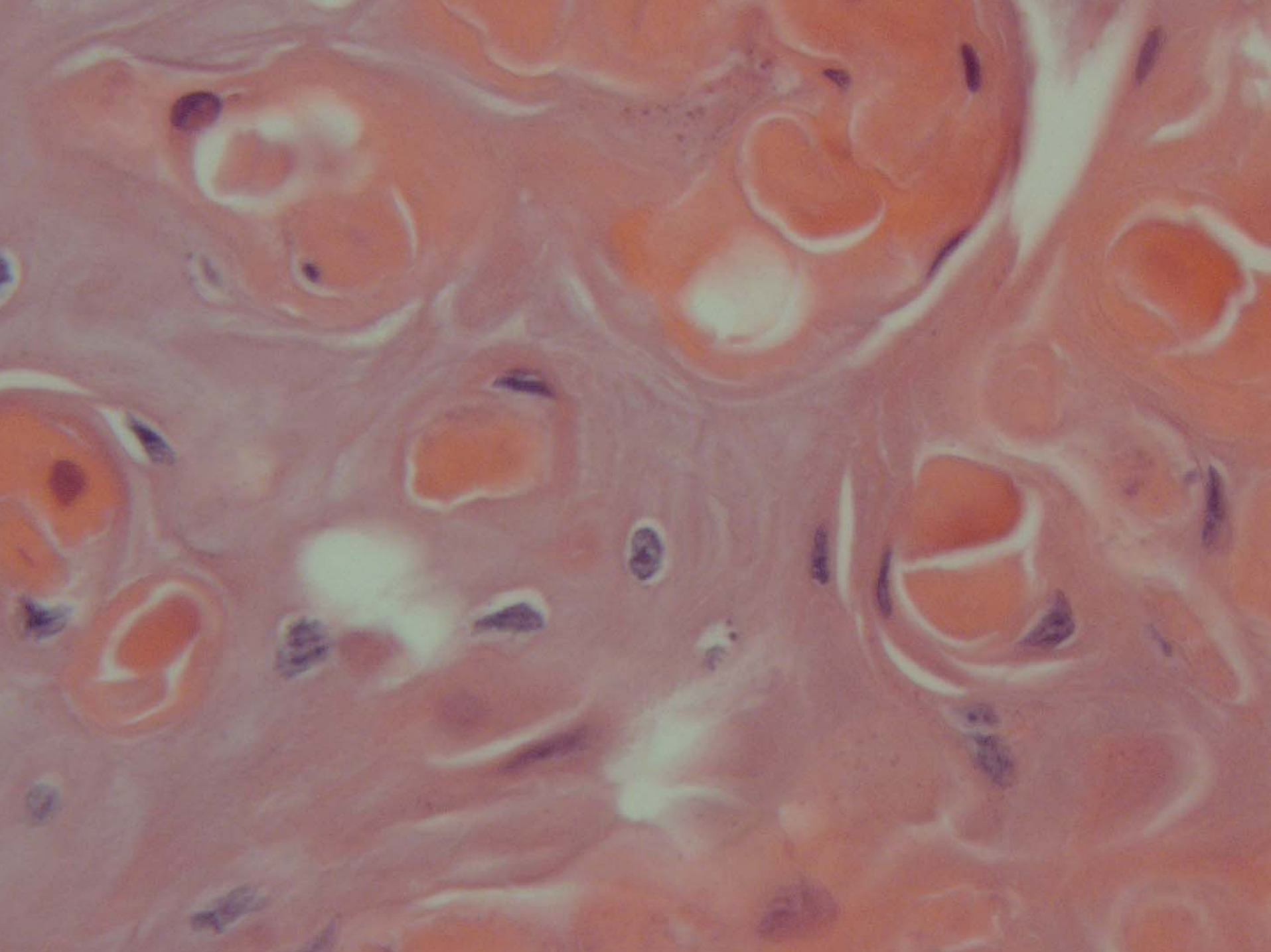


- Syndecan-1, heparan sulfate proteoglycans that mediates intercellular and cell to matrix adhesion
- All 24 KAs positive for syndecan-1 expression.
- Invasive SCC diminished staining.
- Expression mirrors SCC in situ and normal epidermis
- KA may be closely related to SCC in situ but distinctively different from invasive SCC
- Mod Pathol 2002;15:45-49



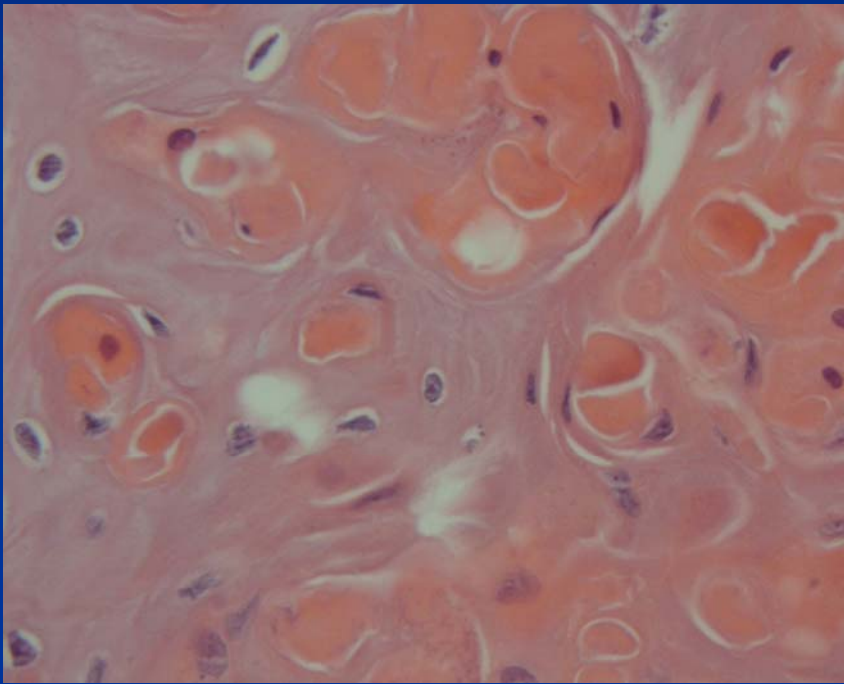




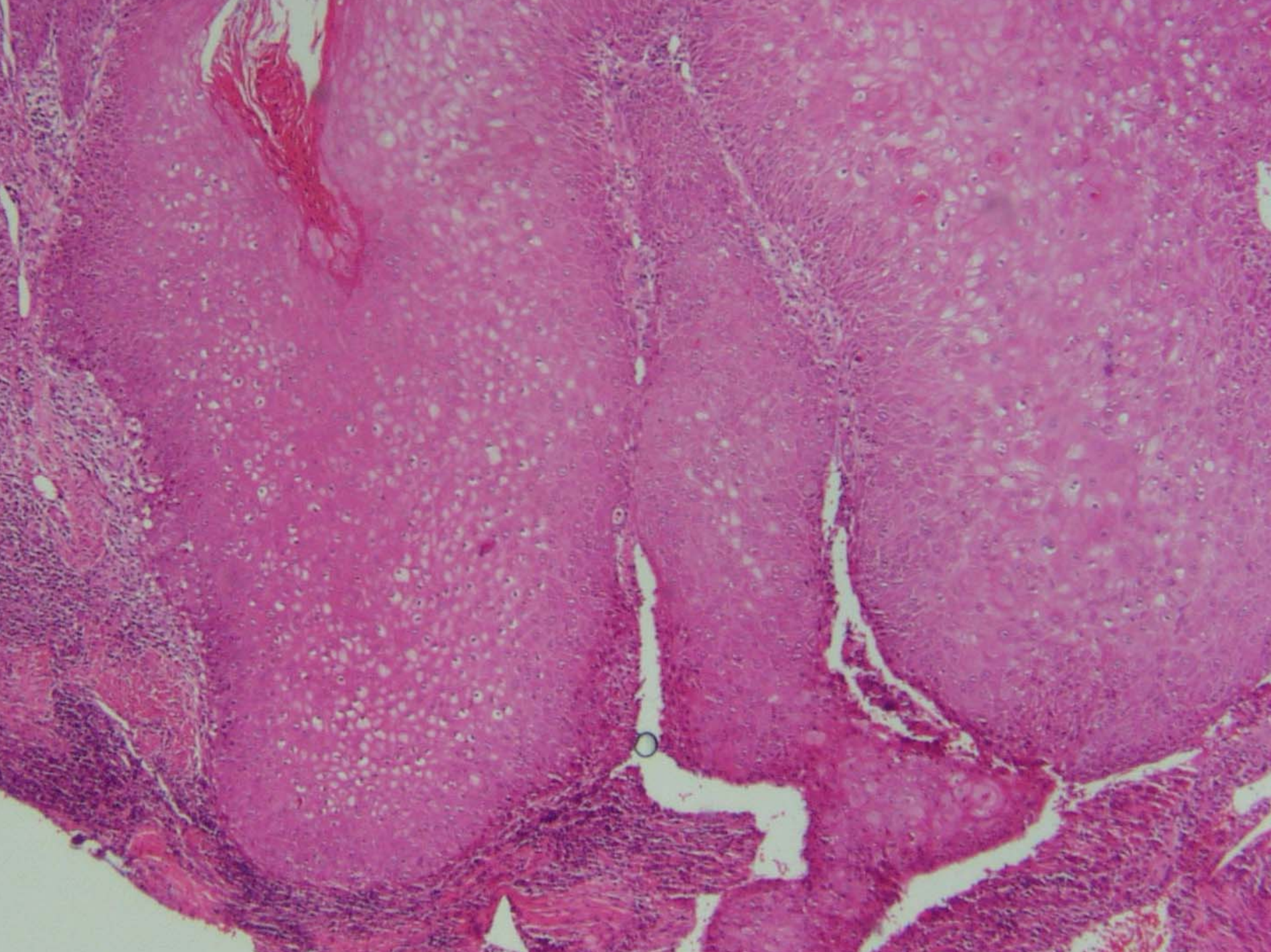


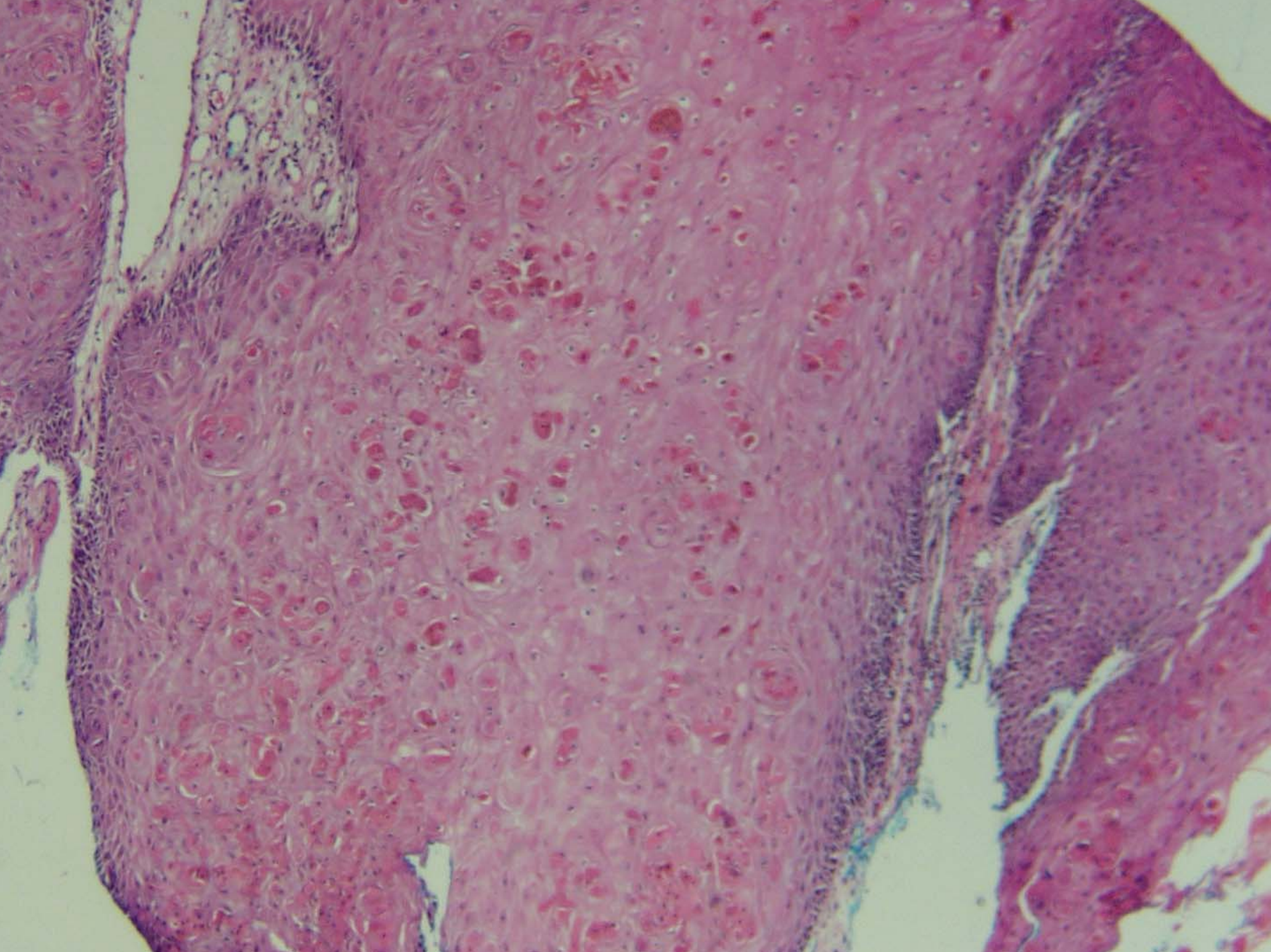
Subungual Keratoacanthoma

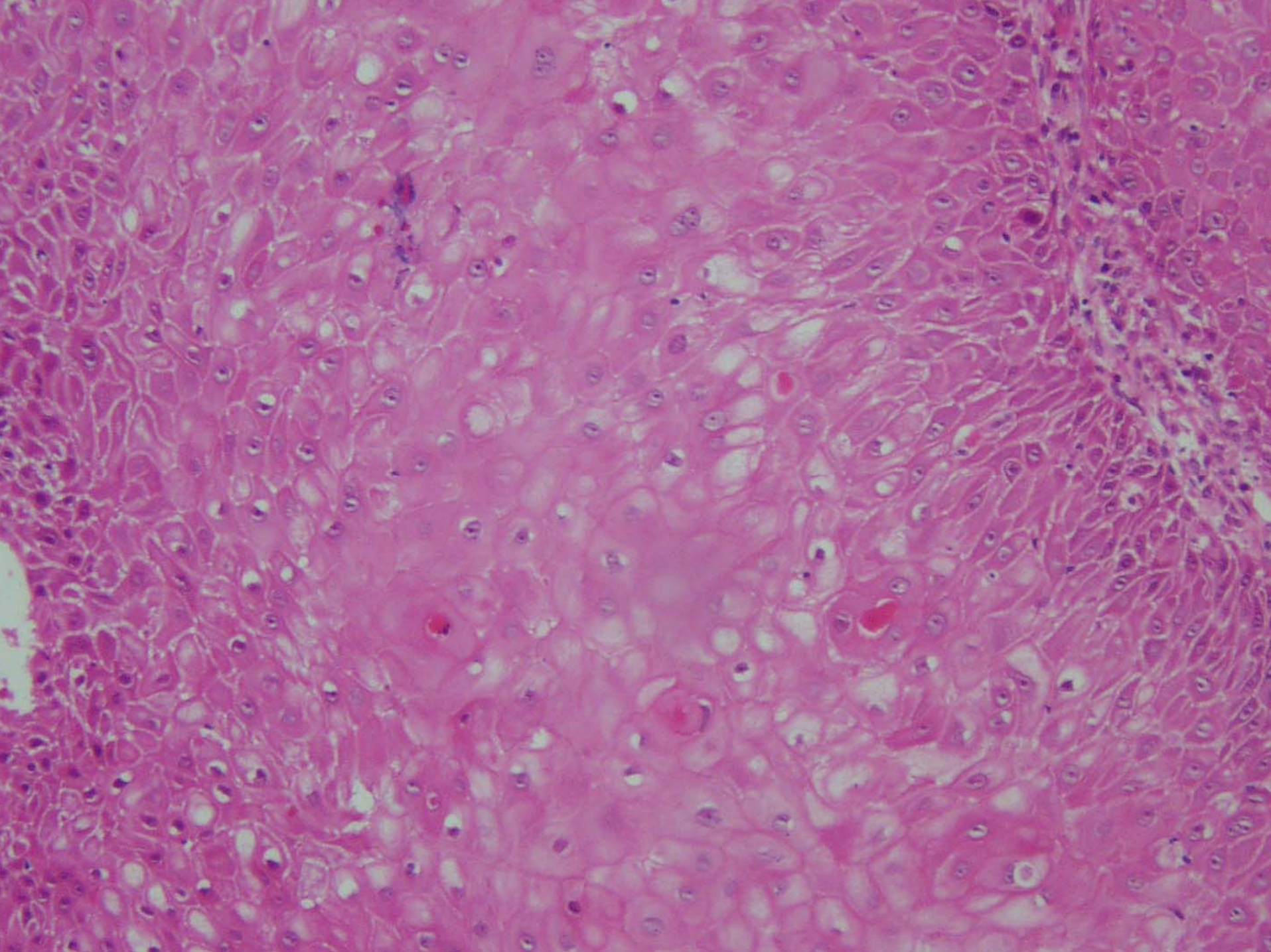
Histopathology

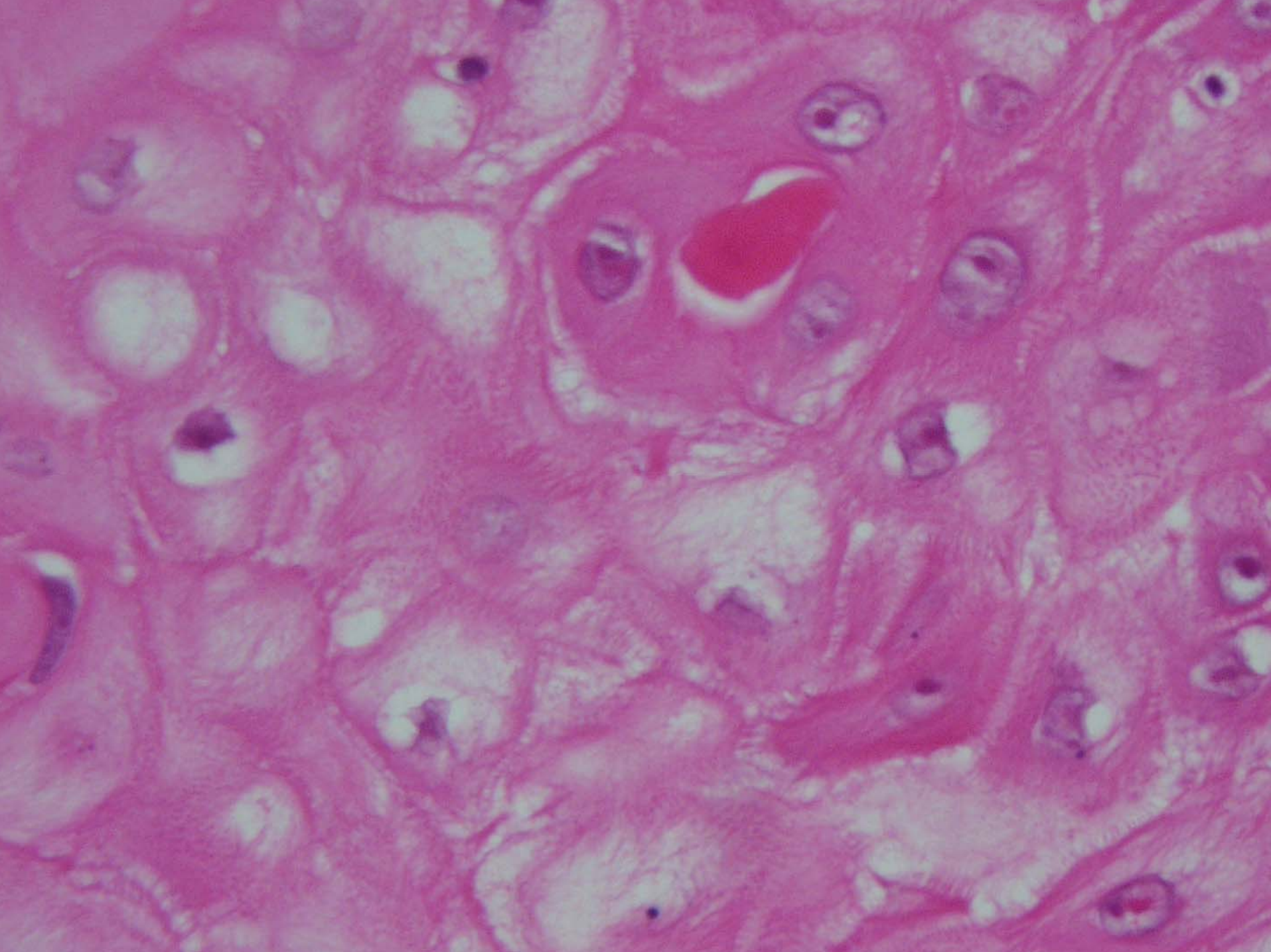


- More dyskeratotic cells and fewer neutrophils and eosinophils
- More vertical in orientation (longer than it is broad)
- Tendency to destroy bone
- Failure to regress spontaneously
- Longer course
- Keratoacanthoma more destructive than SCC in same location



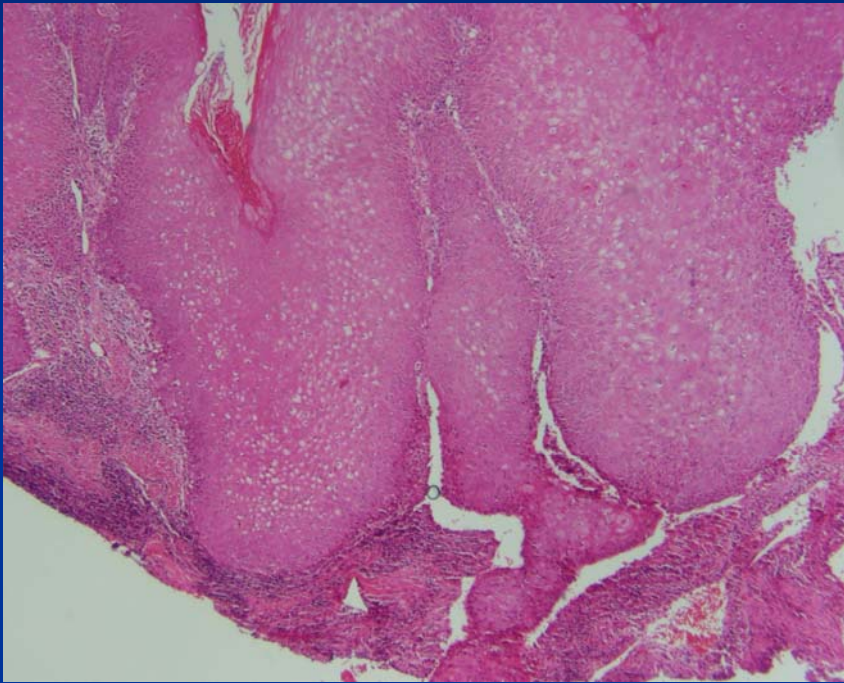




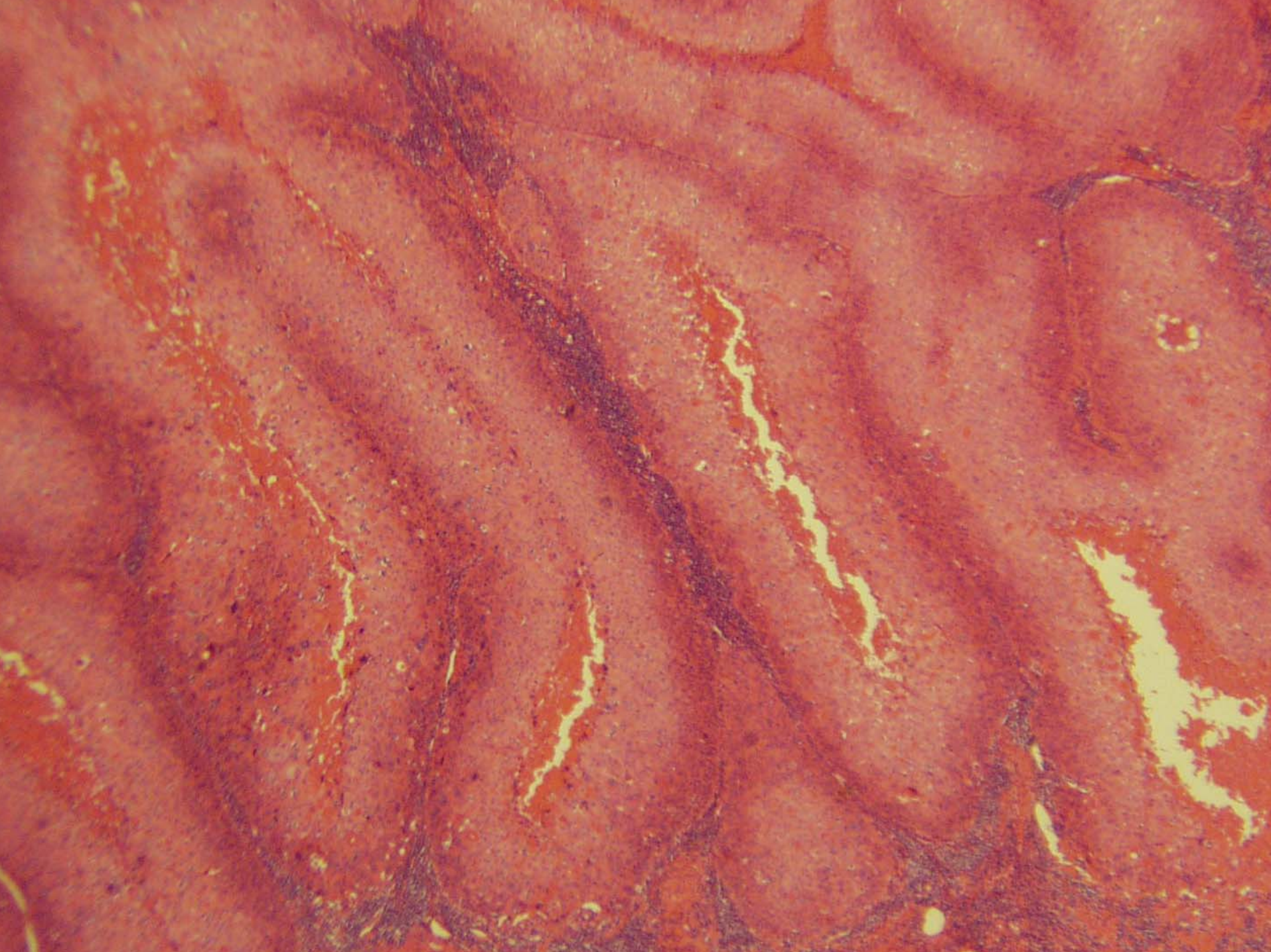


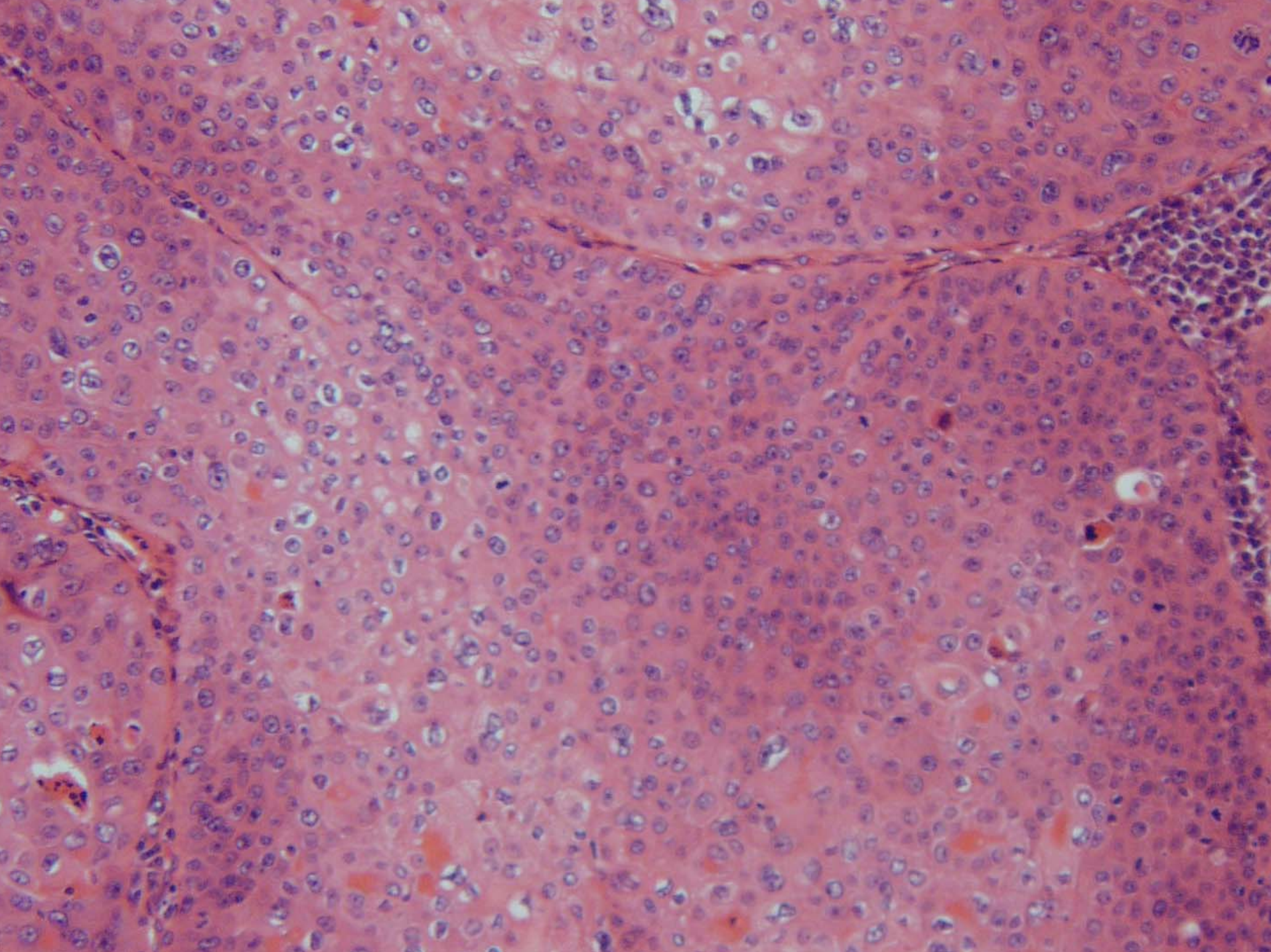
Verrucous Carcinoma

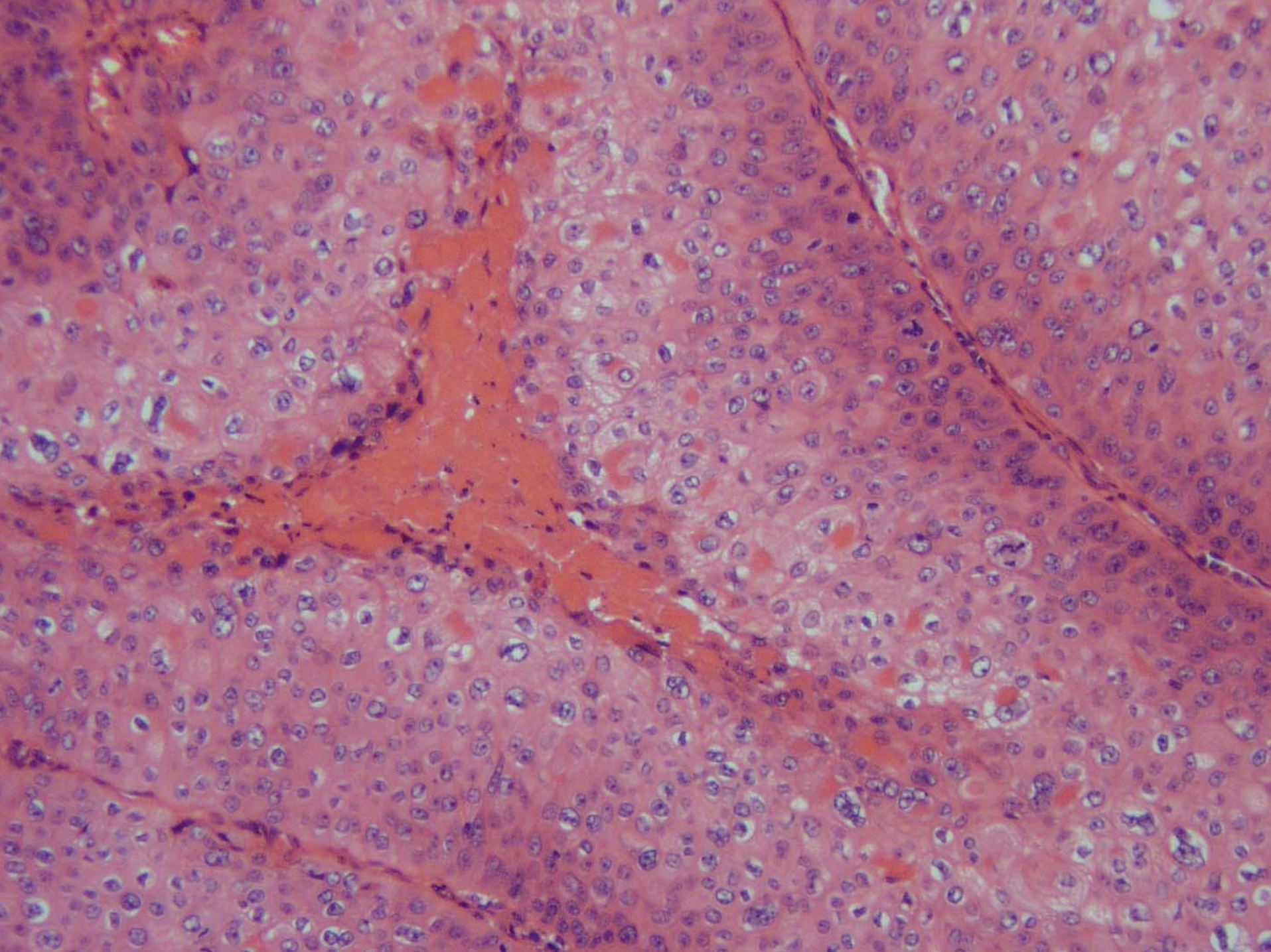
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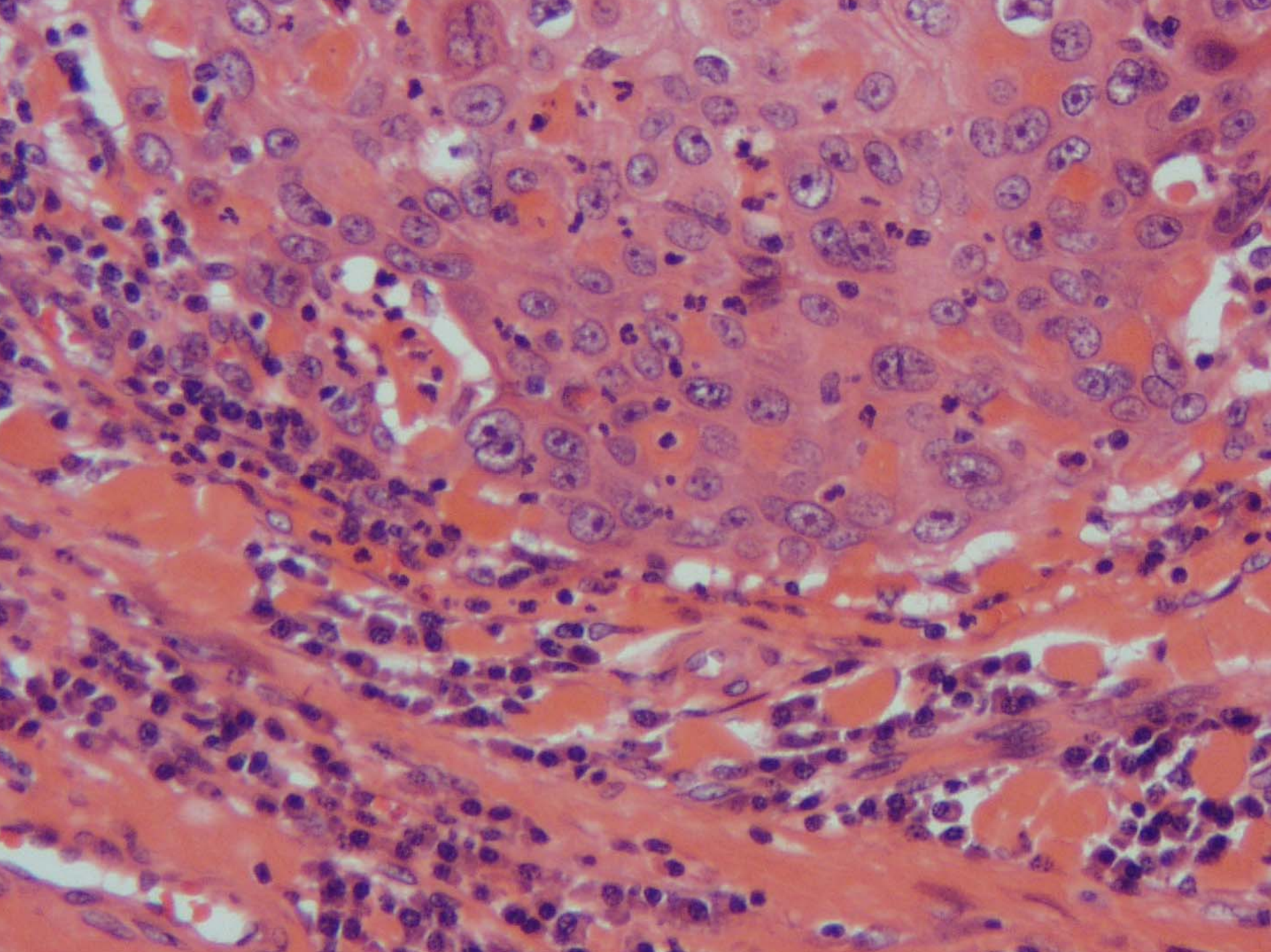


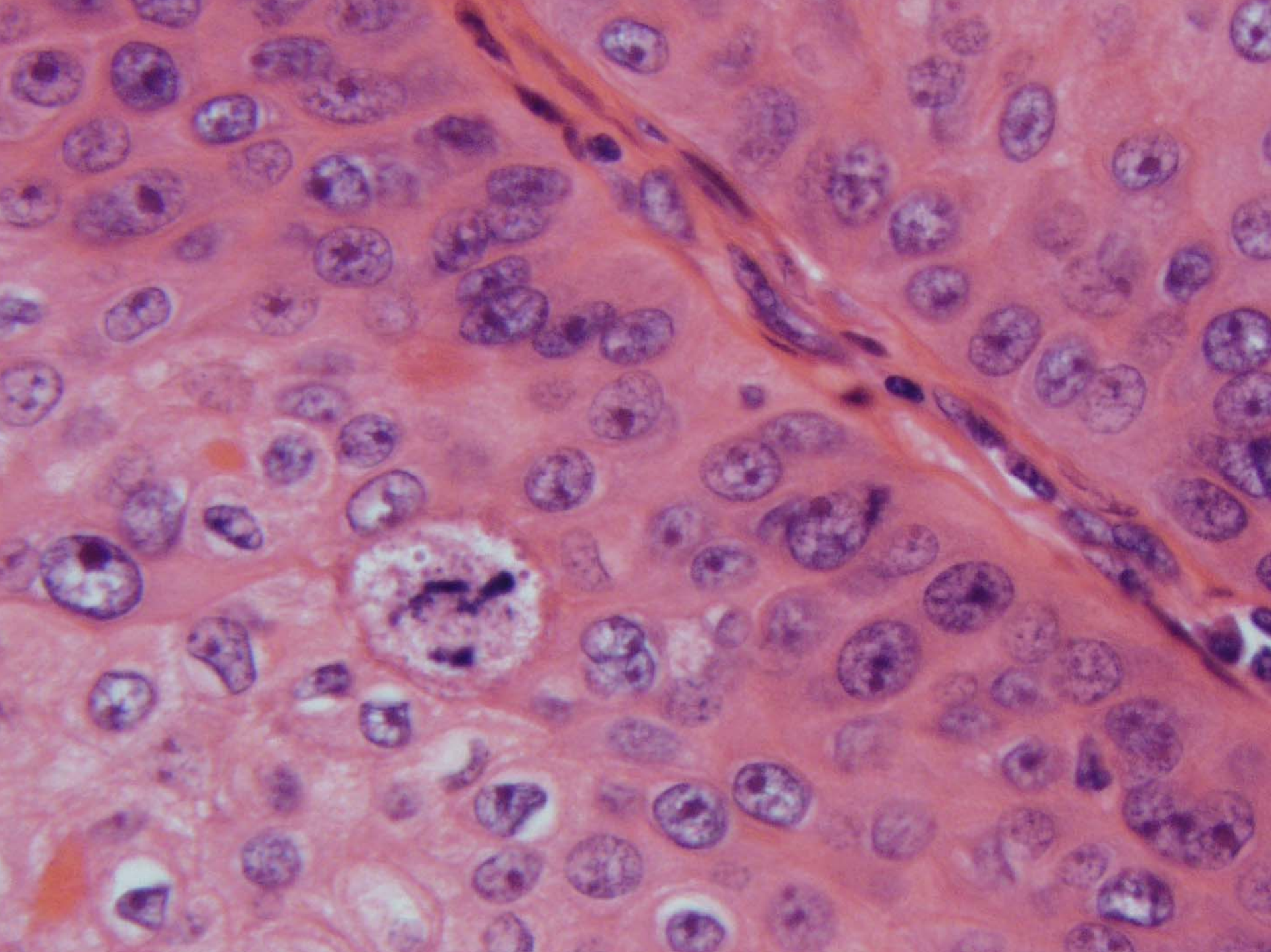
- Exo or endophytic tumors often growing at sites of chronic irritation
- Pushing border
- Minimal cytologic atypia
- Numerous dyskeratotic cells
- Classified based upon location
 - Oral
 - Plantar
 - Buschke-Lowenstein tumors





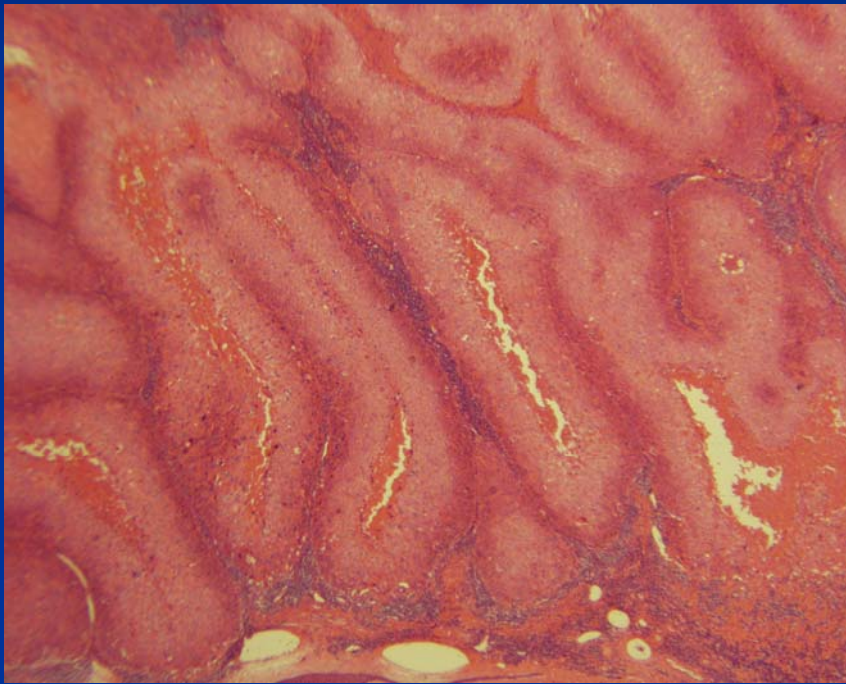






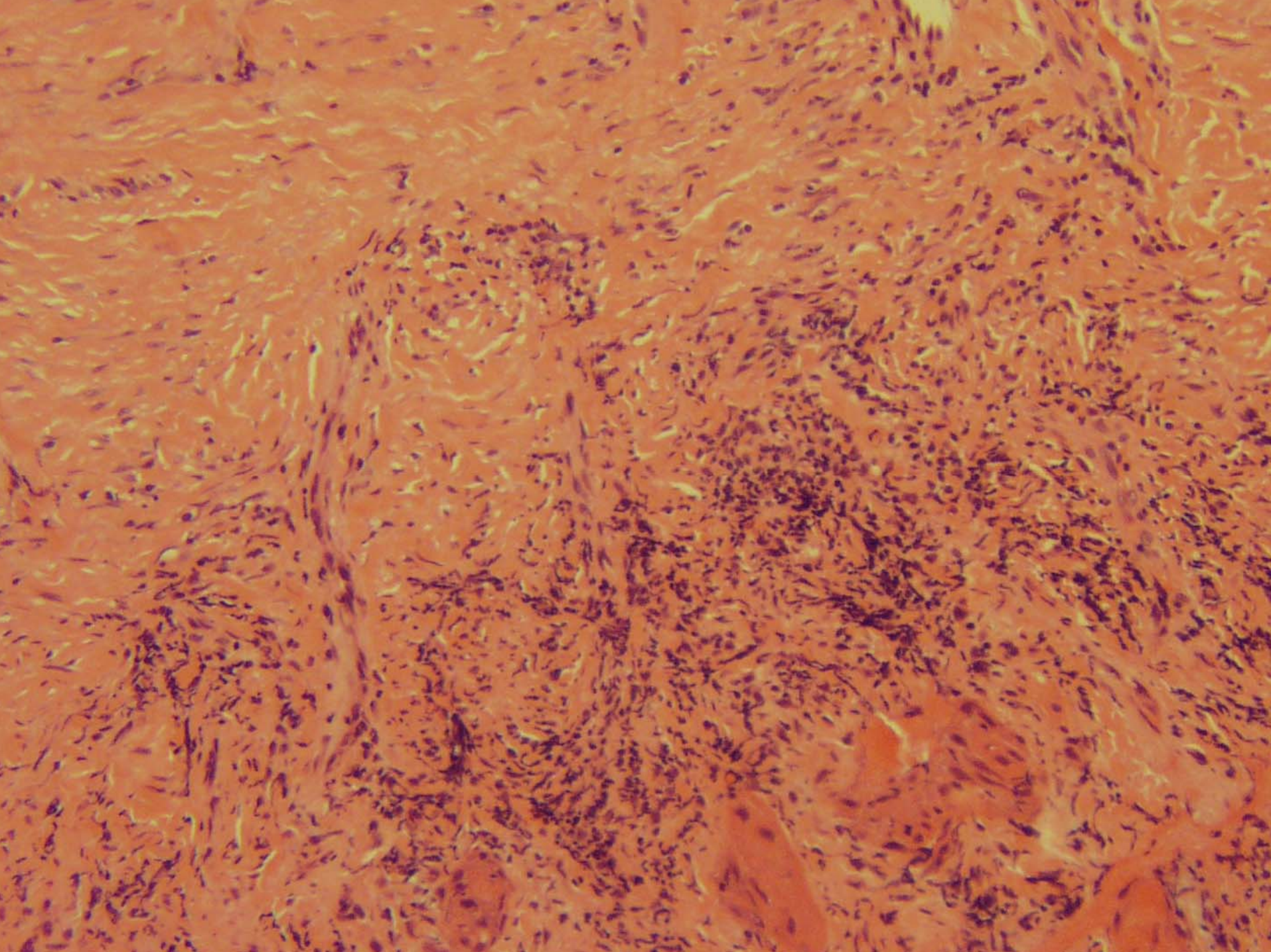
Papillary Squamous Cell Carcinoma

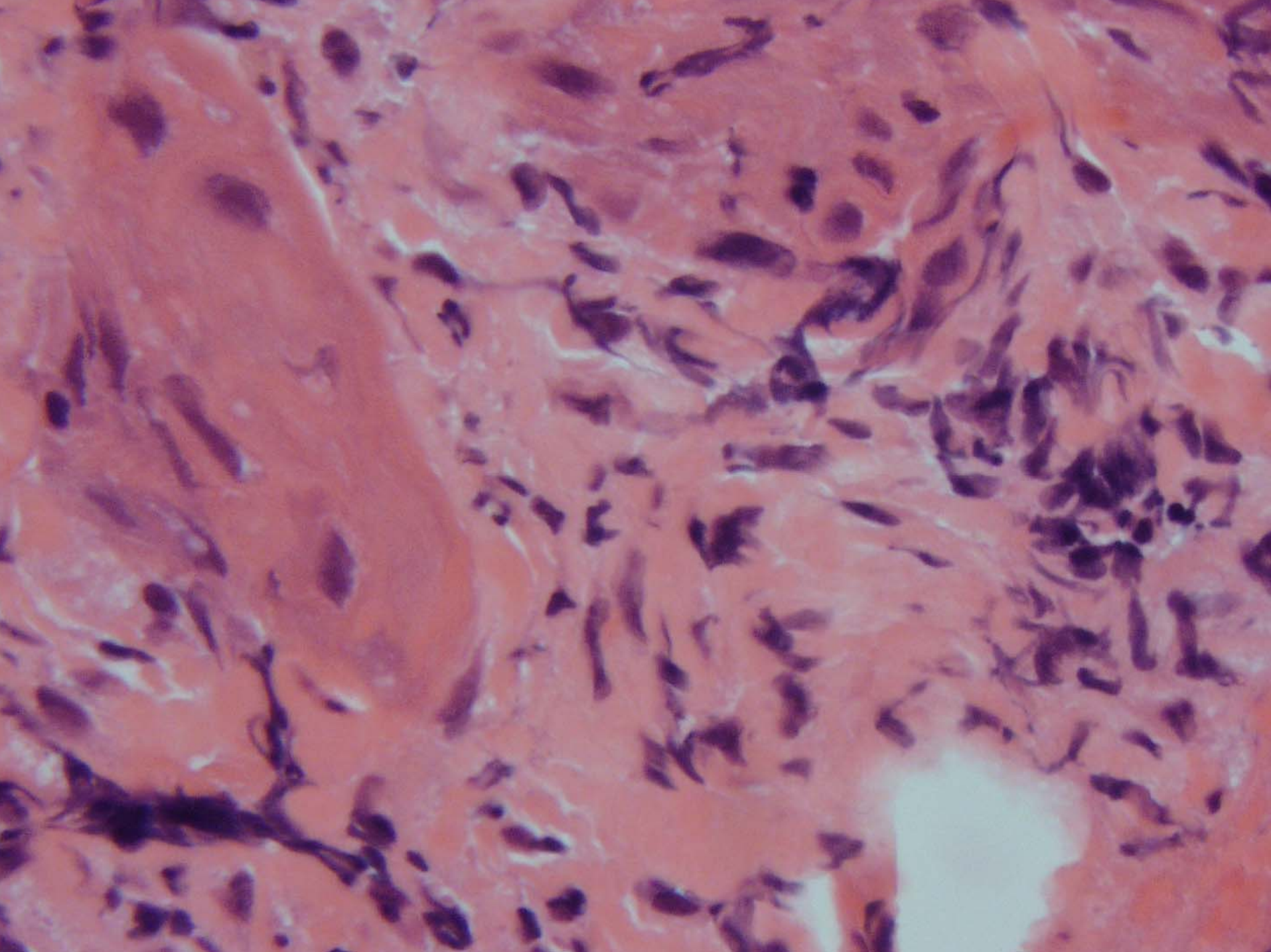
Histopathology



- Exophytic verrucous growth
- High grade nuclear changes
- Prominent papillary growth pattern with several layers of notably atypical squamous epithelium overlying a fibro-vascular core in
- Mitoses frequent
- Lack deep invasion although focal invasion of the stalk may occur
- No local recurrence or metastatic disease after 18 months follow-up
- Low-grade malignancy

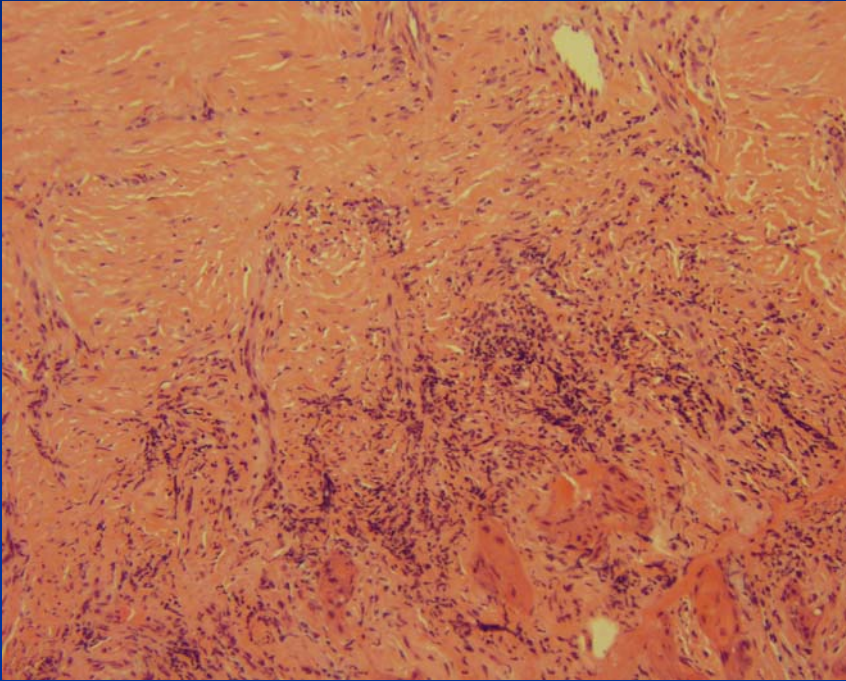
Aggressive Variants



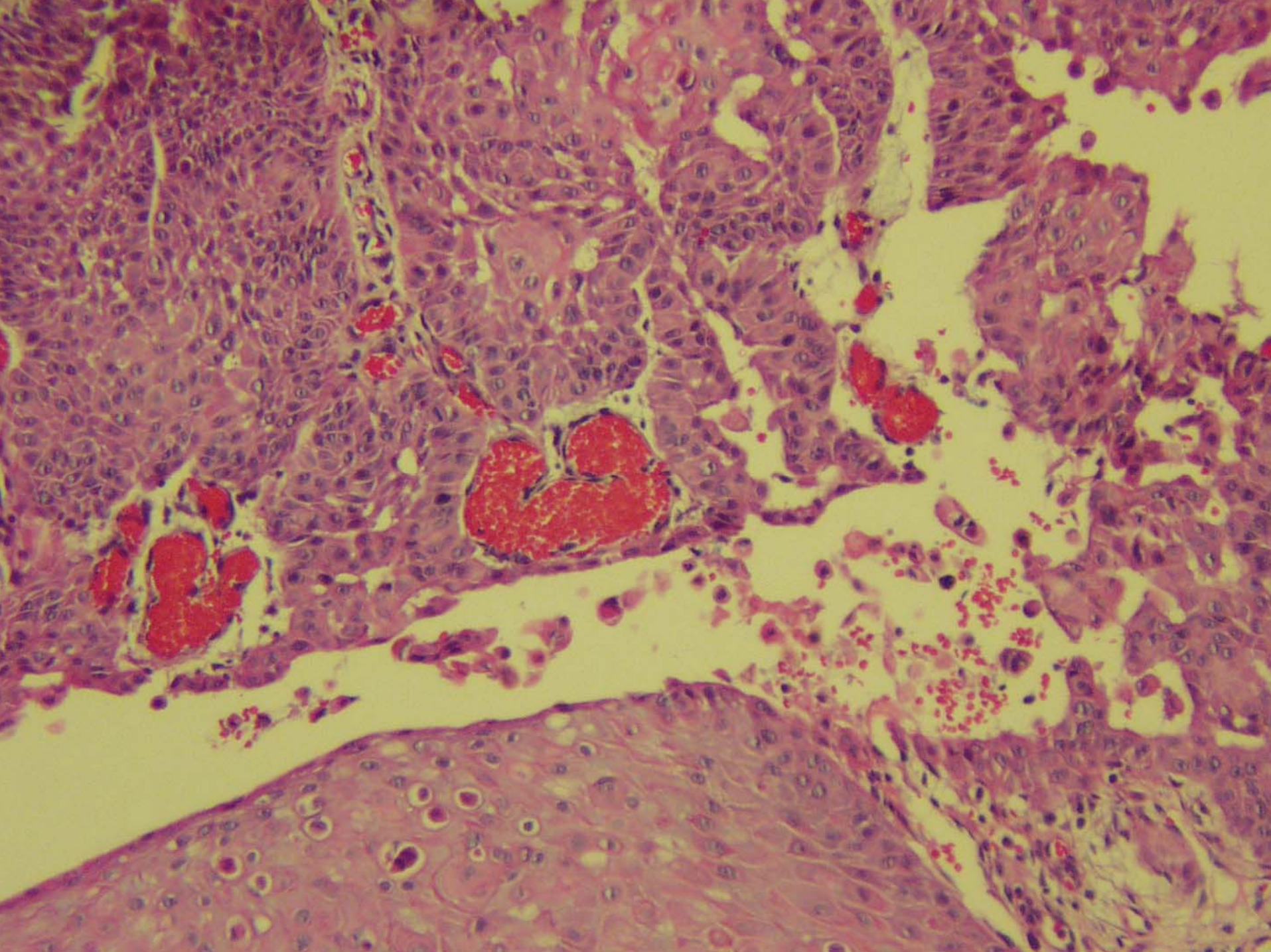


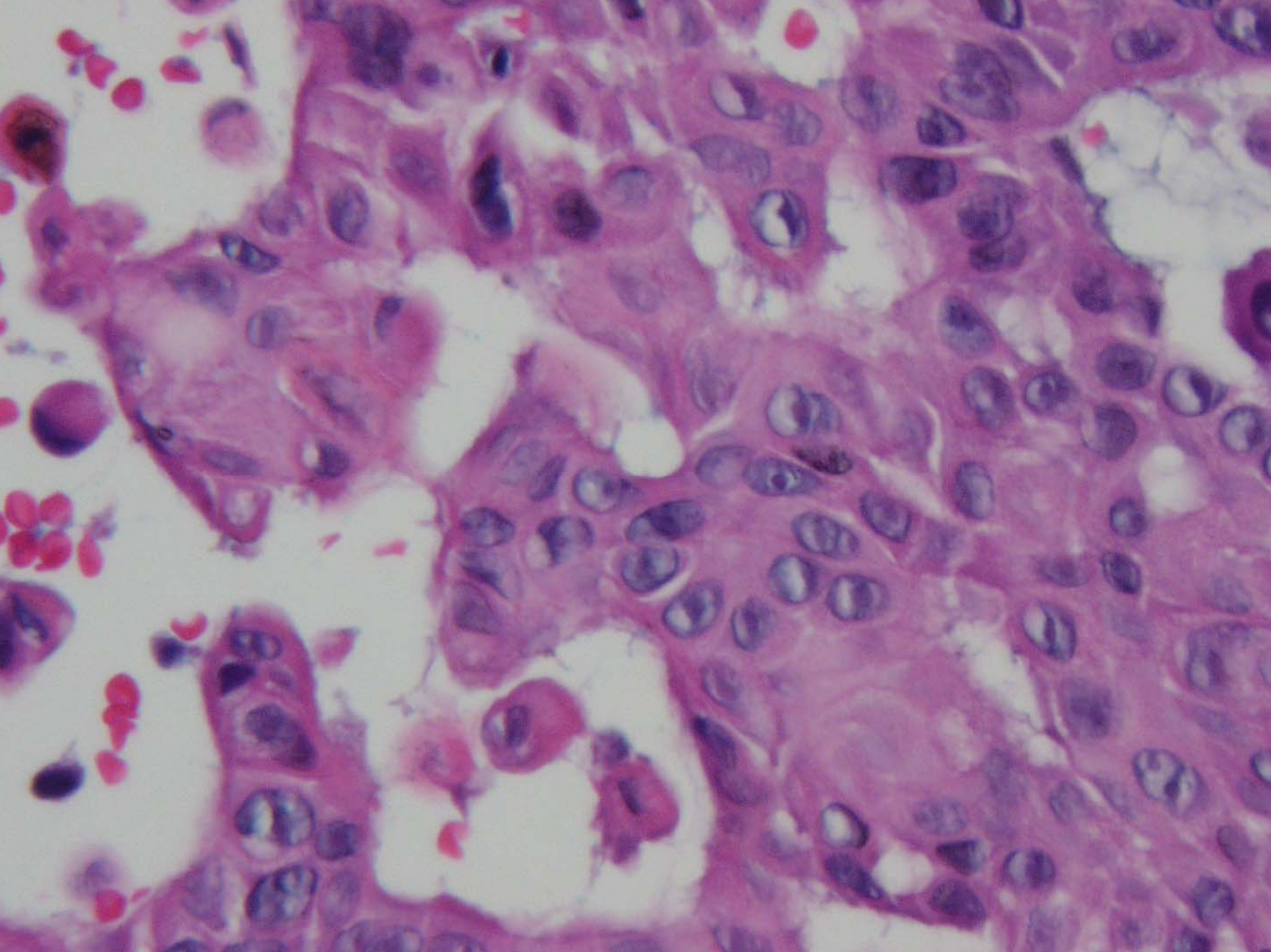
Marjolin's Ulcer

Histopathology



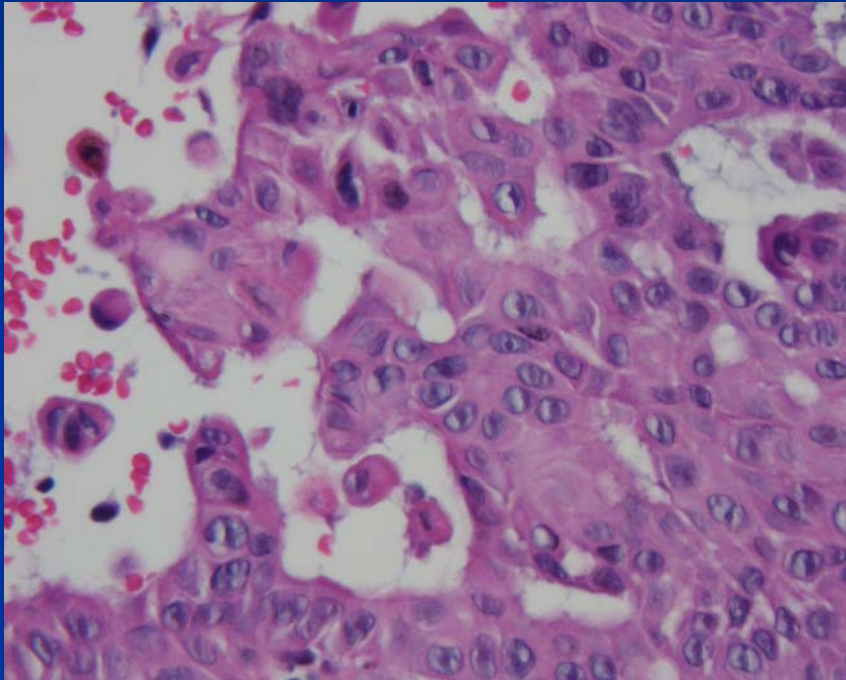
- Aggressive form of squamous cell carcinoma that arises from sites of chronic injury, scars, burns, or irradiation sites
- Usually conventional histopathology



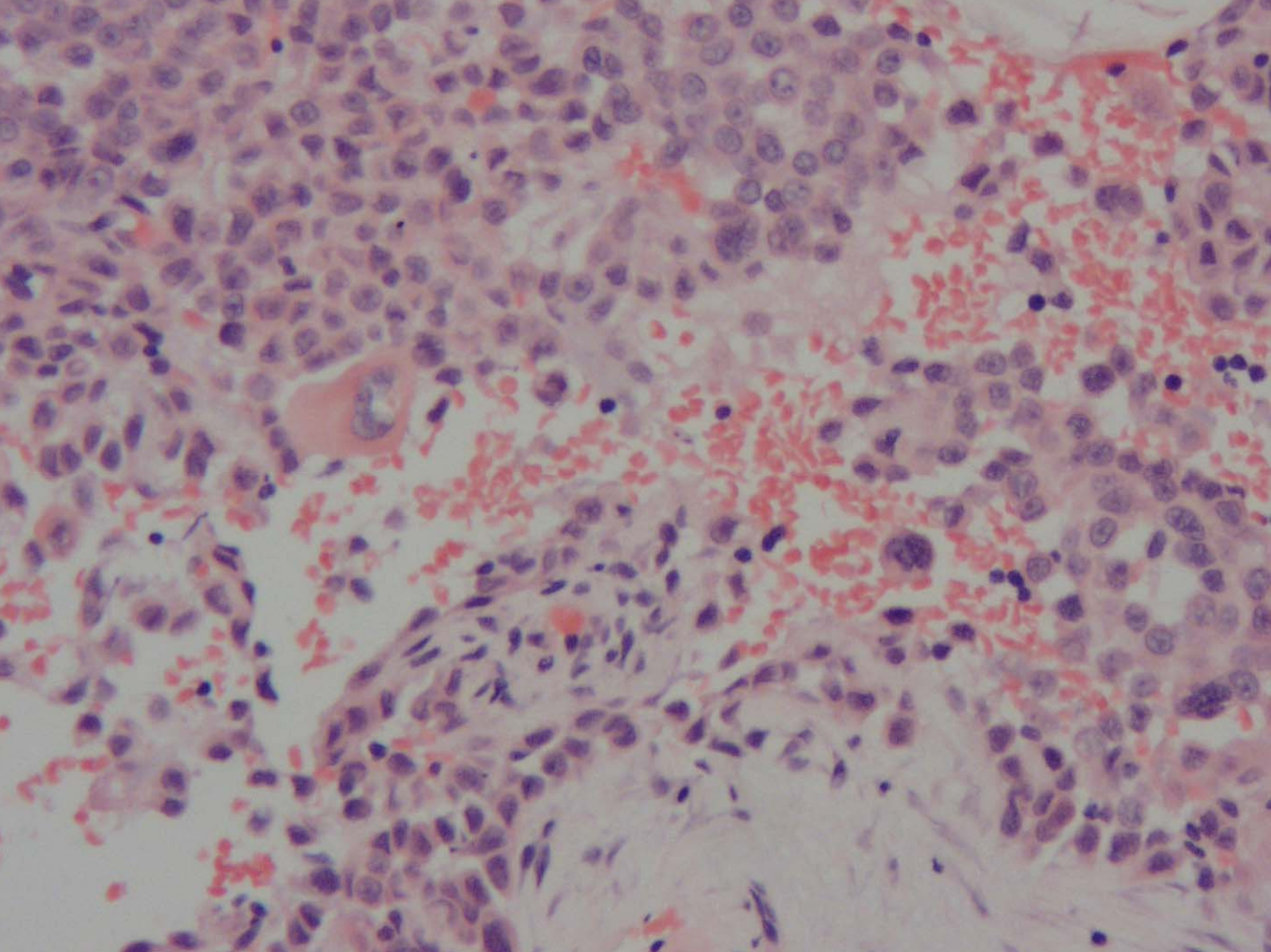


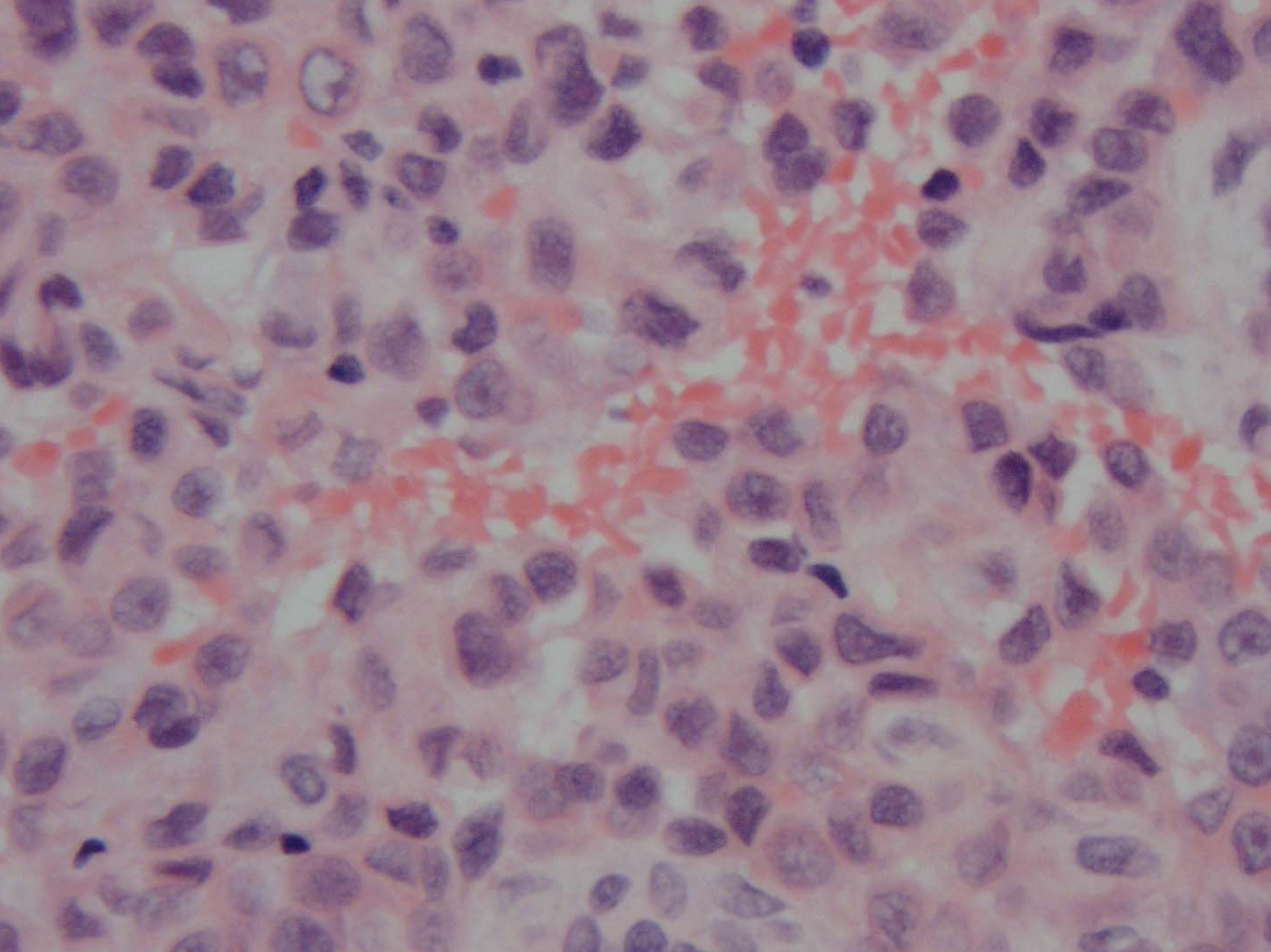
**Acantholytic
Squamous Cell Carcinoma
(Pseudovascular)**

Histopathology



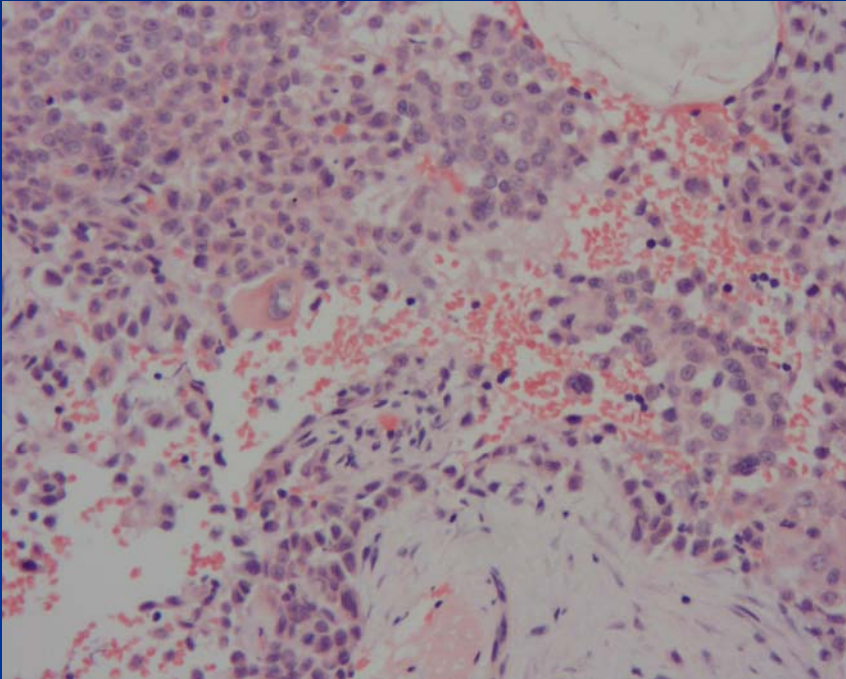
- Associated with recurrences following radiation therapy
- Pseudoglandular acantholytic changes
 - Interanastomosing cordlike arrays of polygonal or flattened tumor cells, with internal pseudolumina that contained detached tumor cells
 - Connection between the dermal neoplasm and the epidermis was apparent in three cases, but it was focal
 - Erythrocytes were seen in pseudovascular spaces
- IPOX
 - Positive for CK and EMA
 - Negative for FVIII and CD34



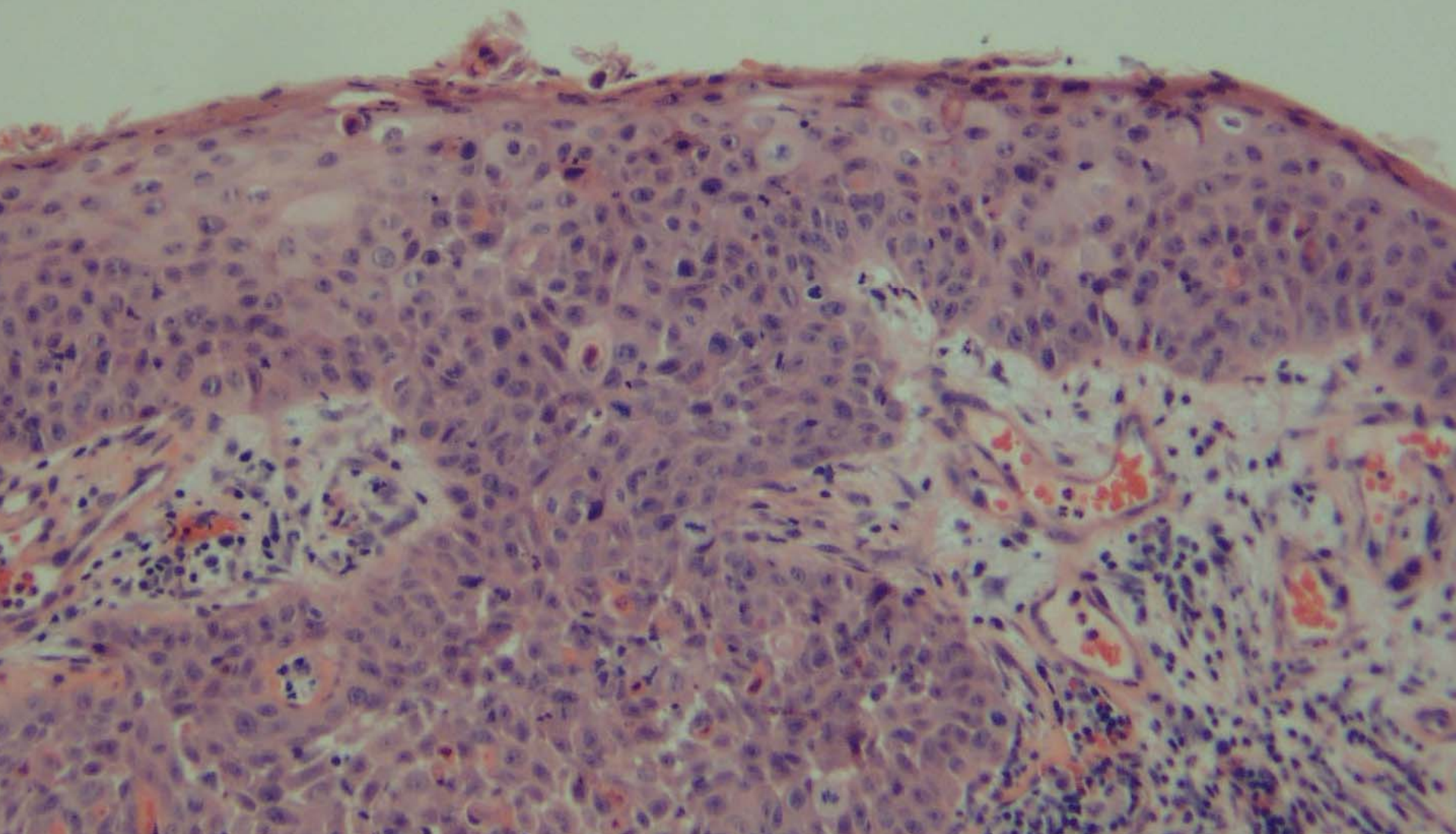


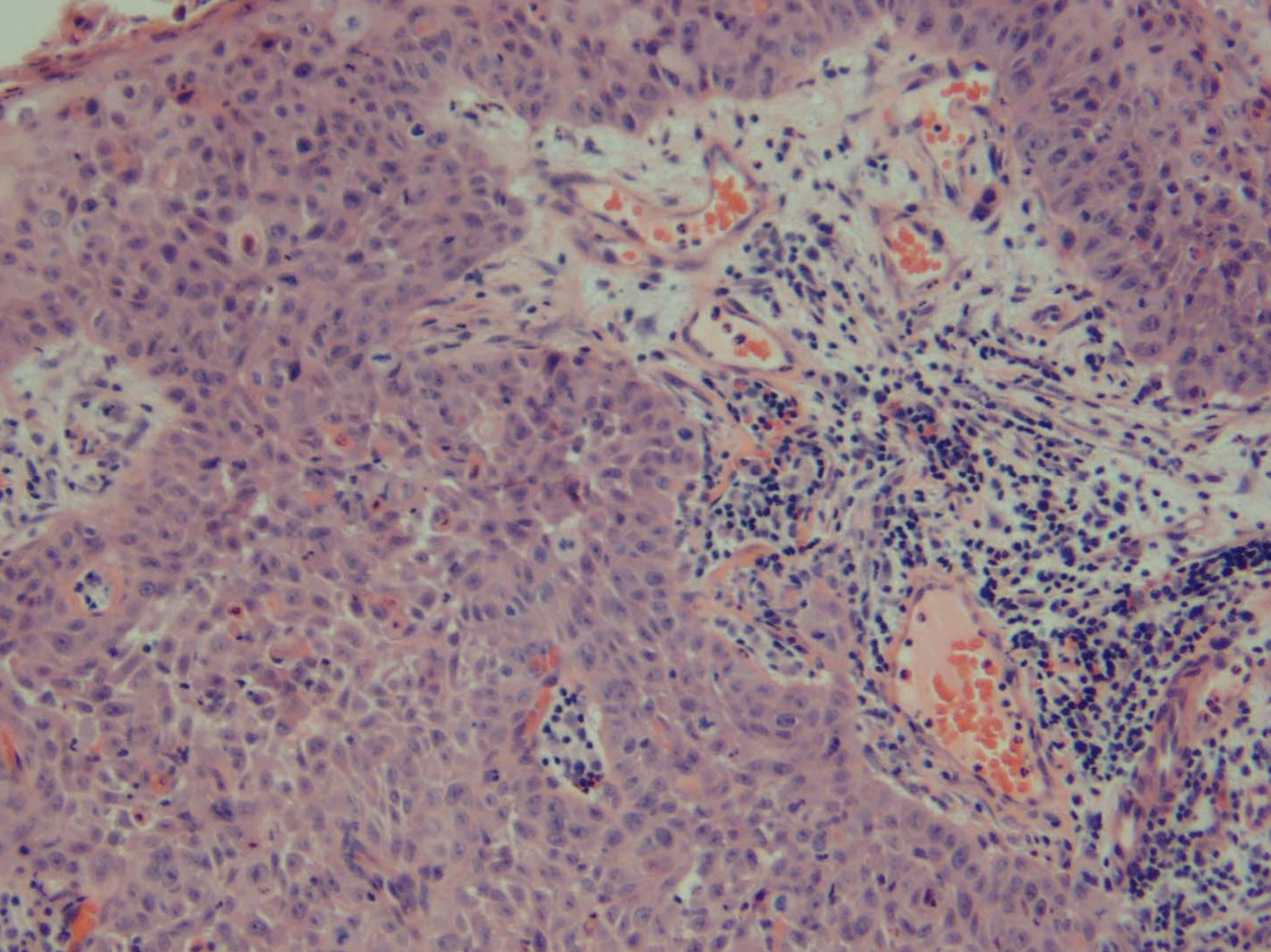
Poorly Differentiated/ Sarcomatoid SCCA

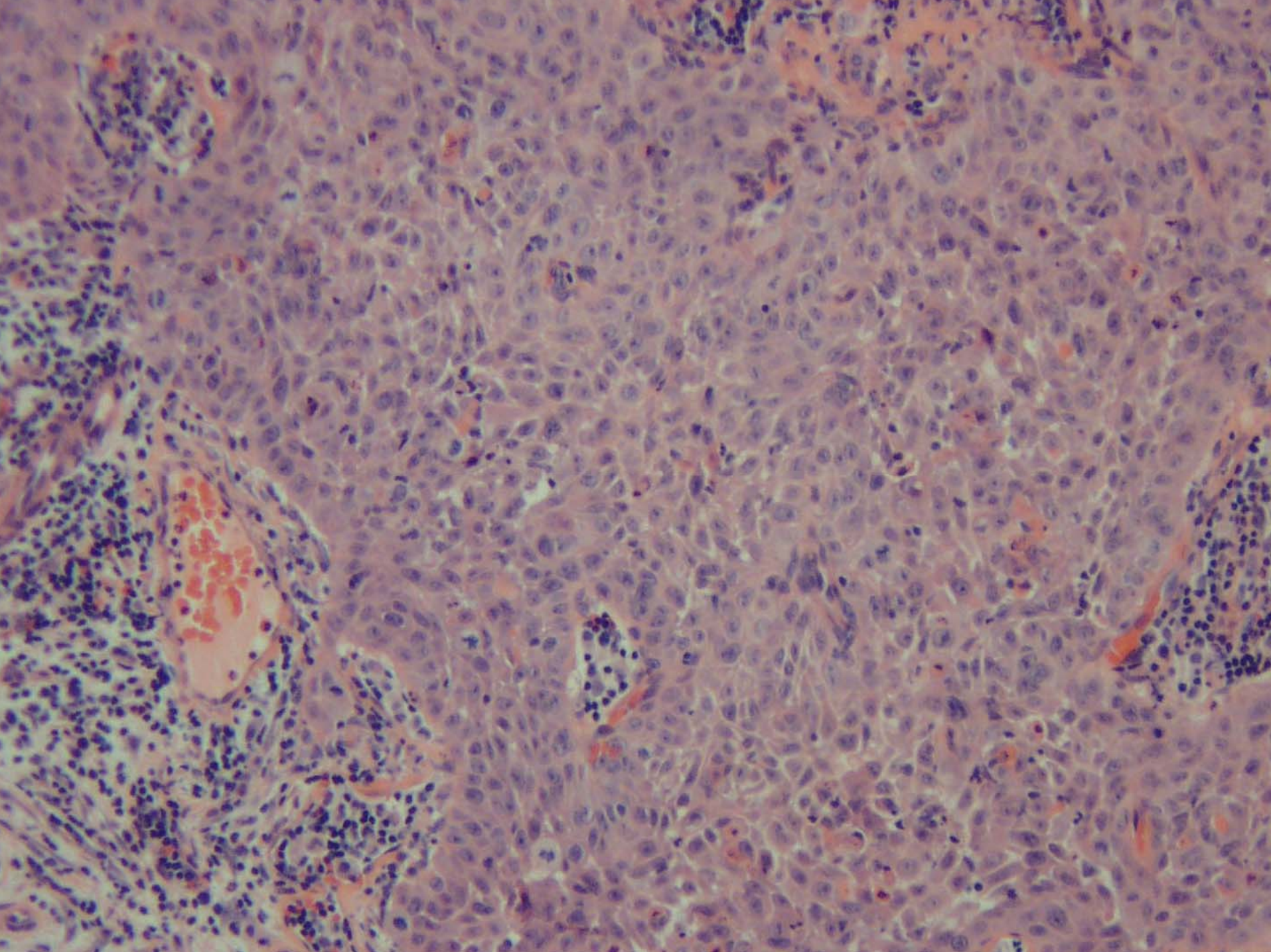
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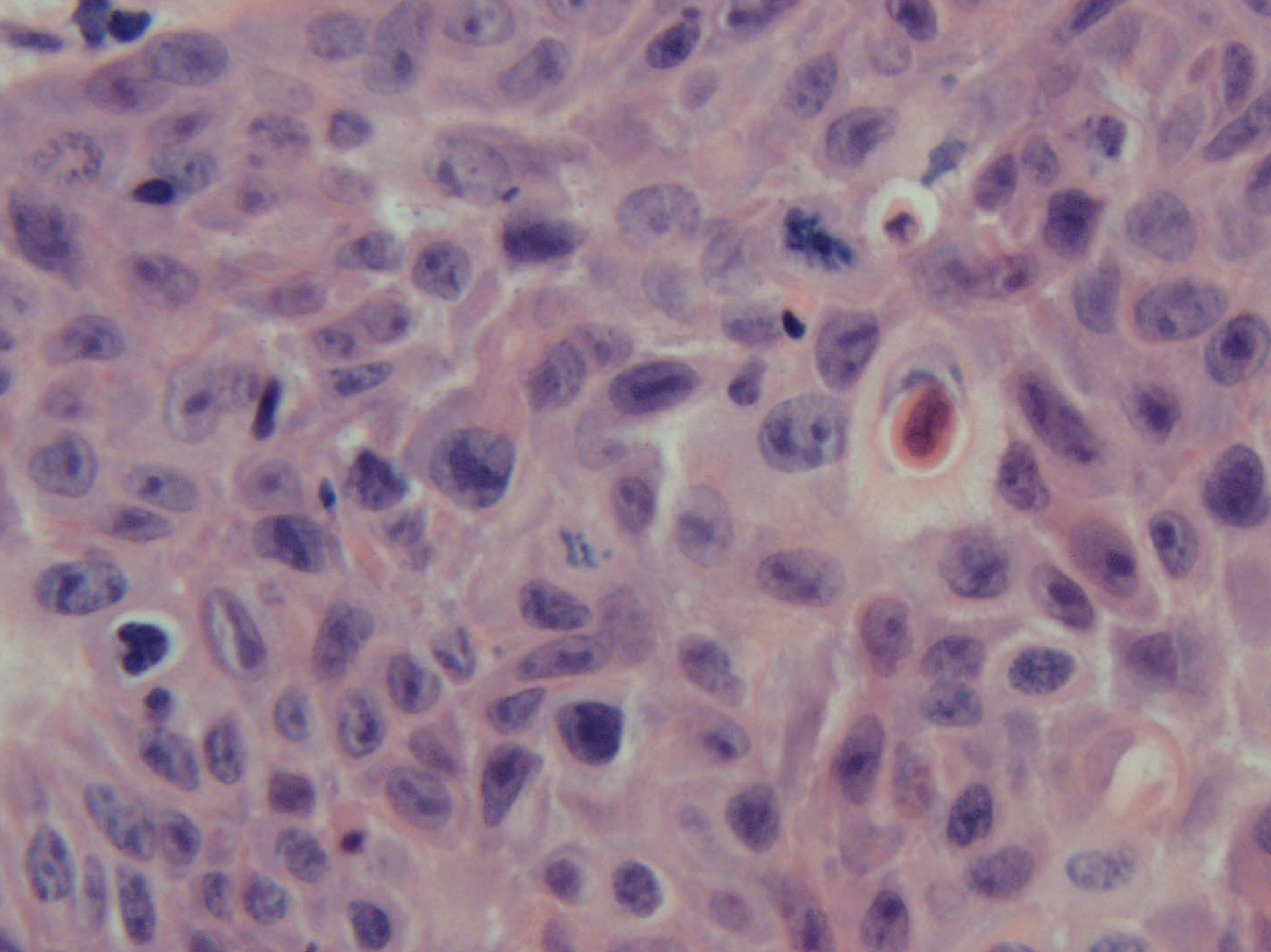


- Variety of synonyms
 - Spindle cell
 - Desmoplastic
 - Carcinosarcoma
- Minimal keratinization
- Marked pleomorphism
- Increased MF



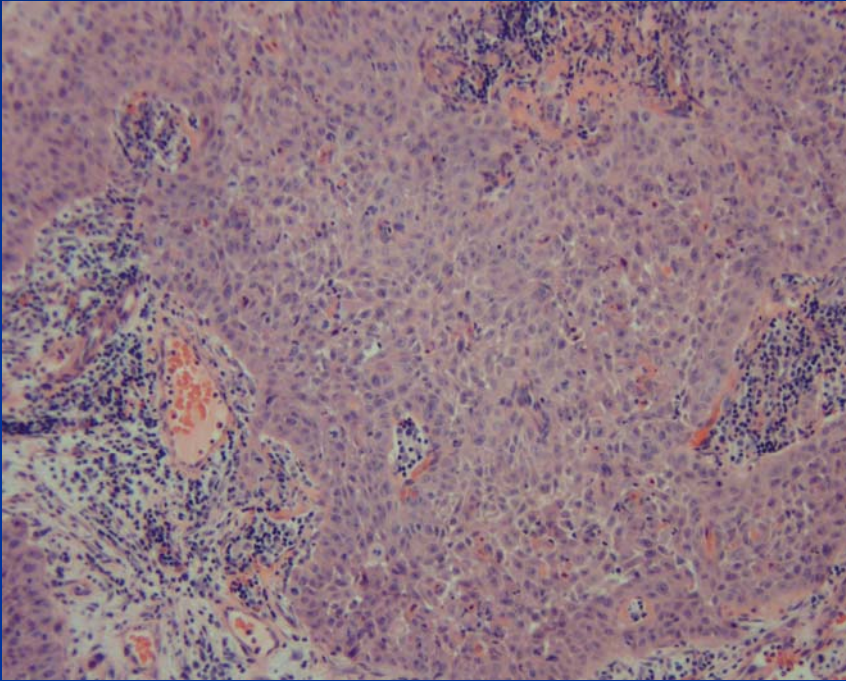




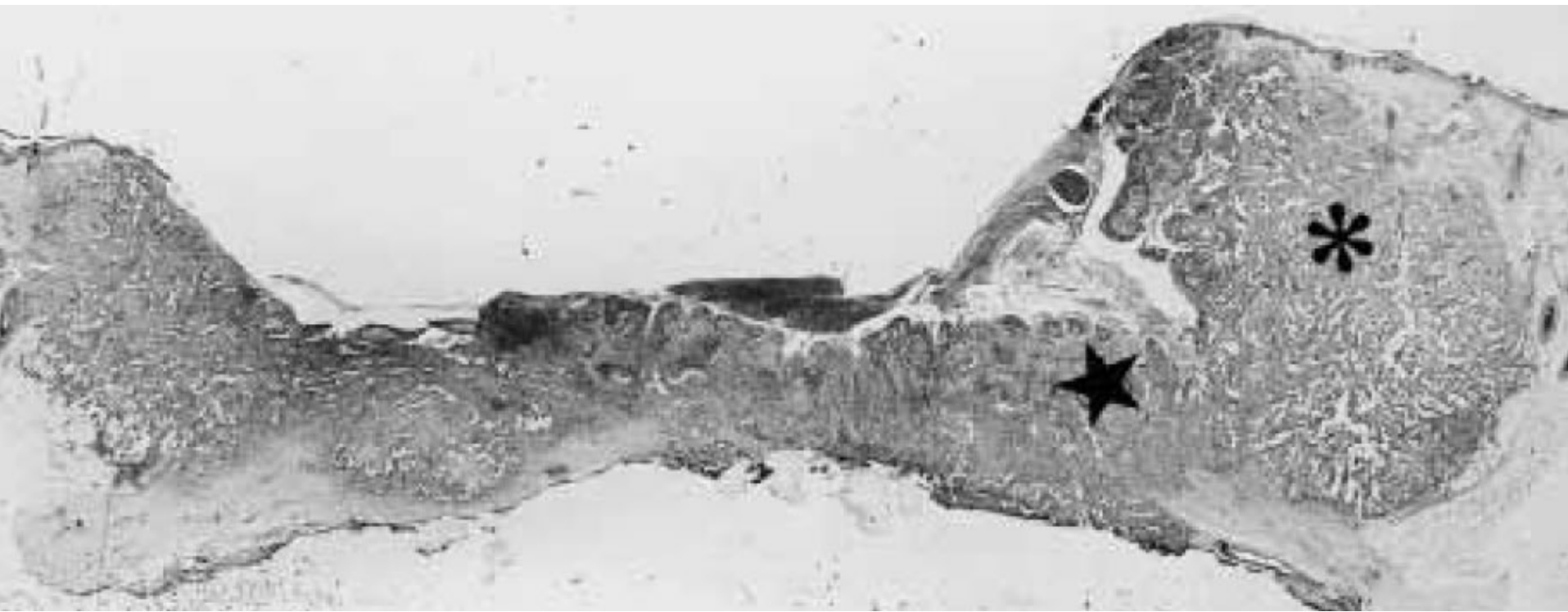


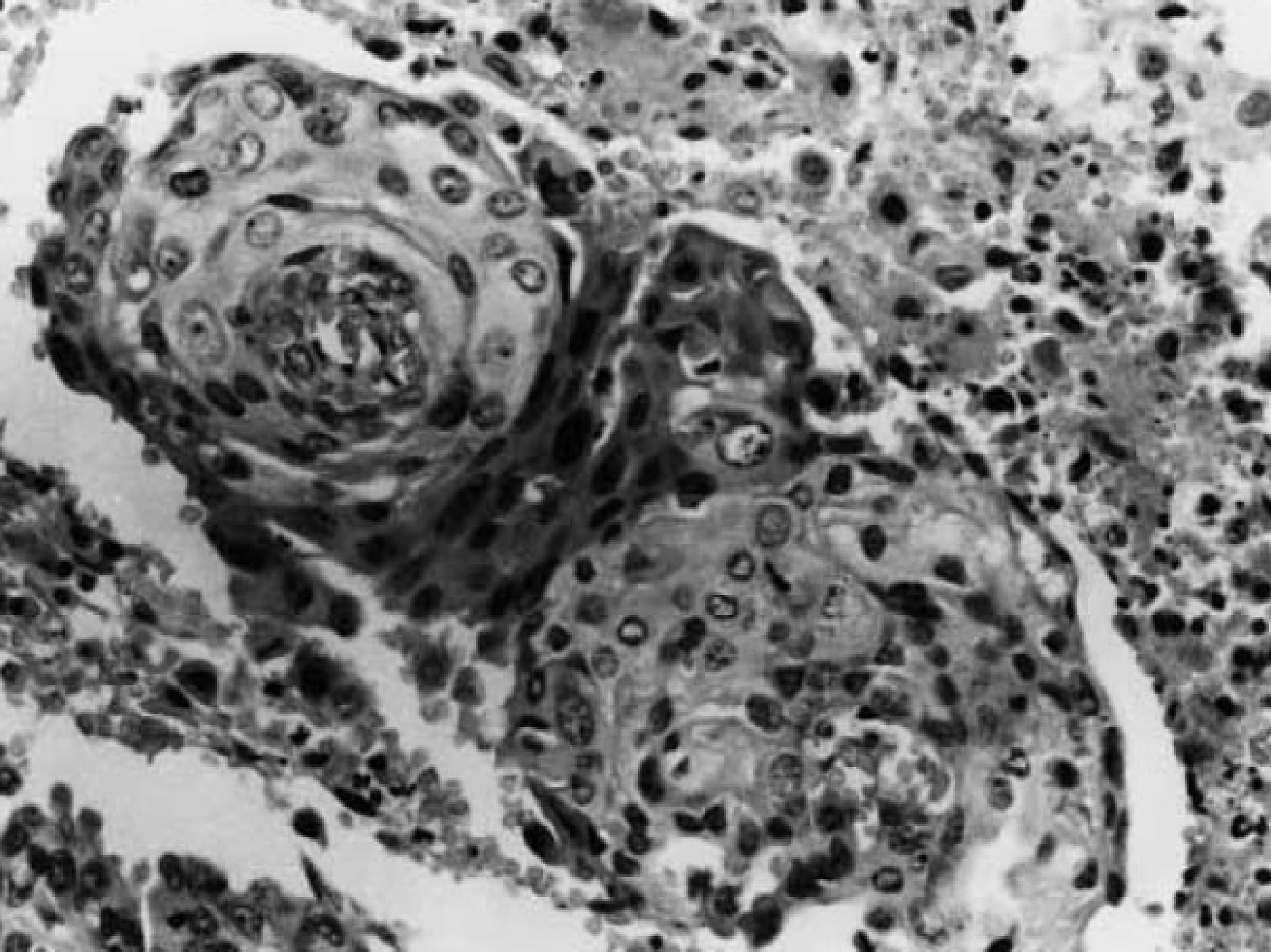
Invasive Bowenoid SCCA

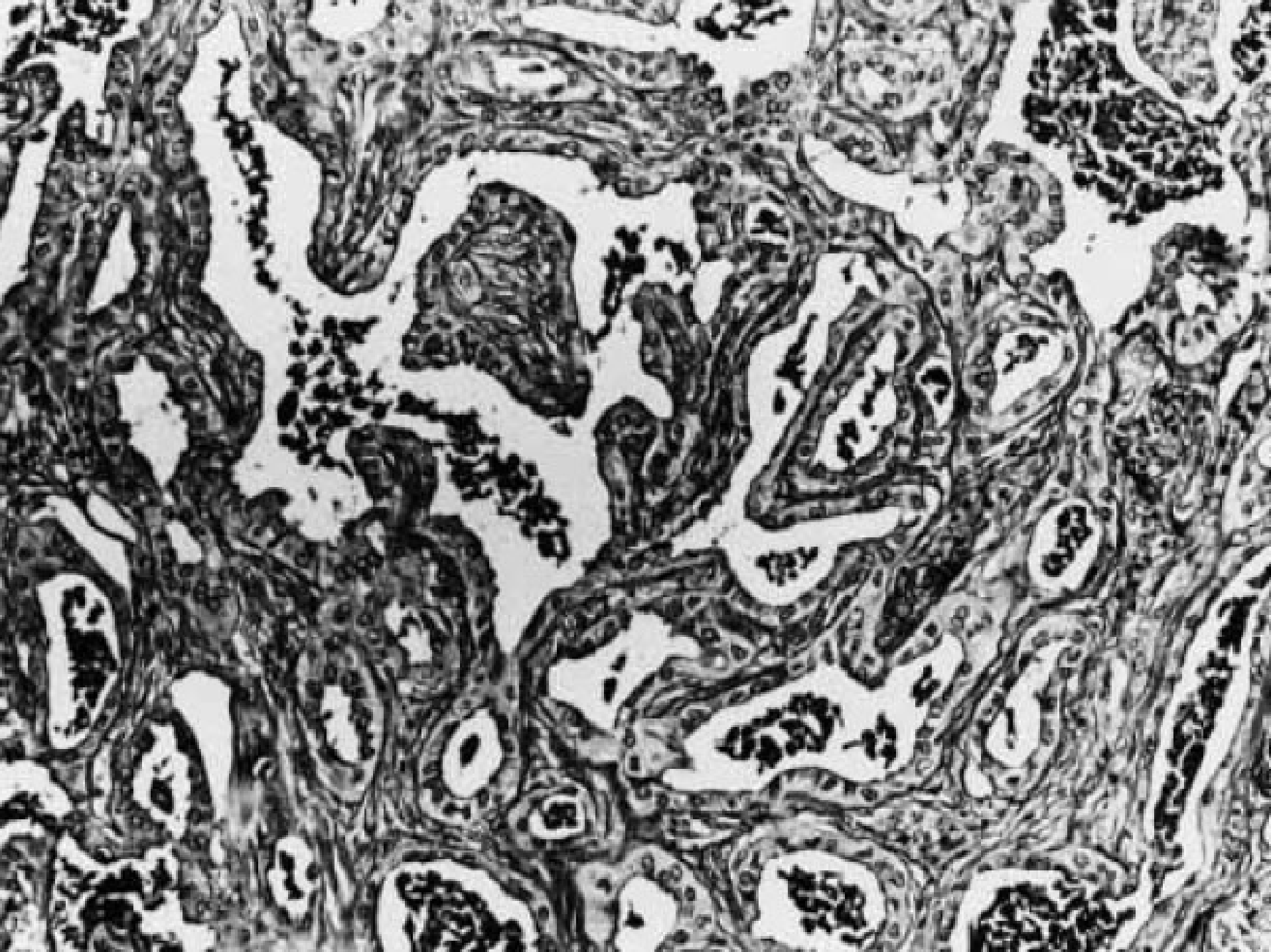
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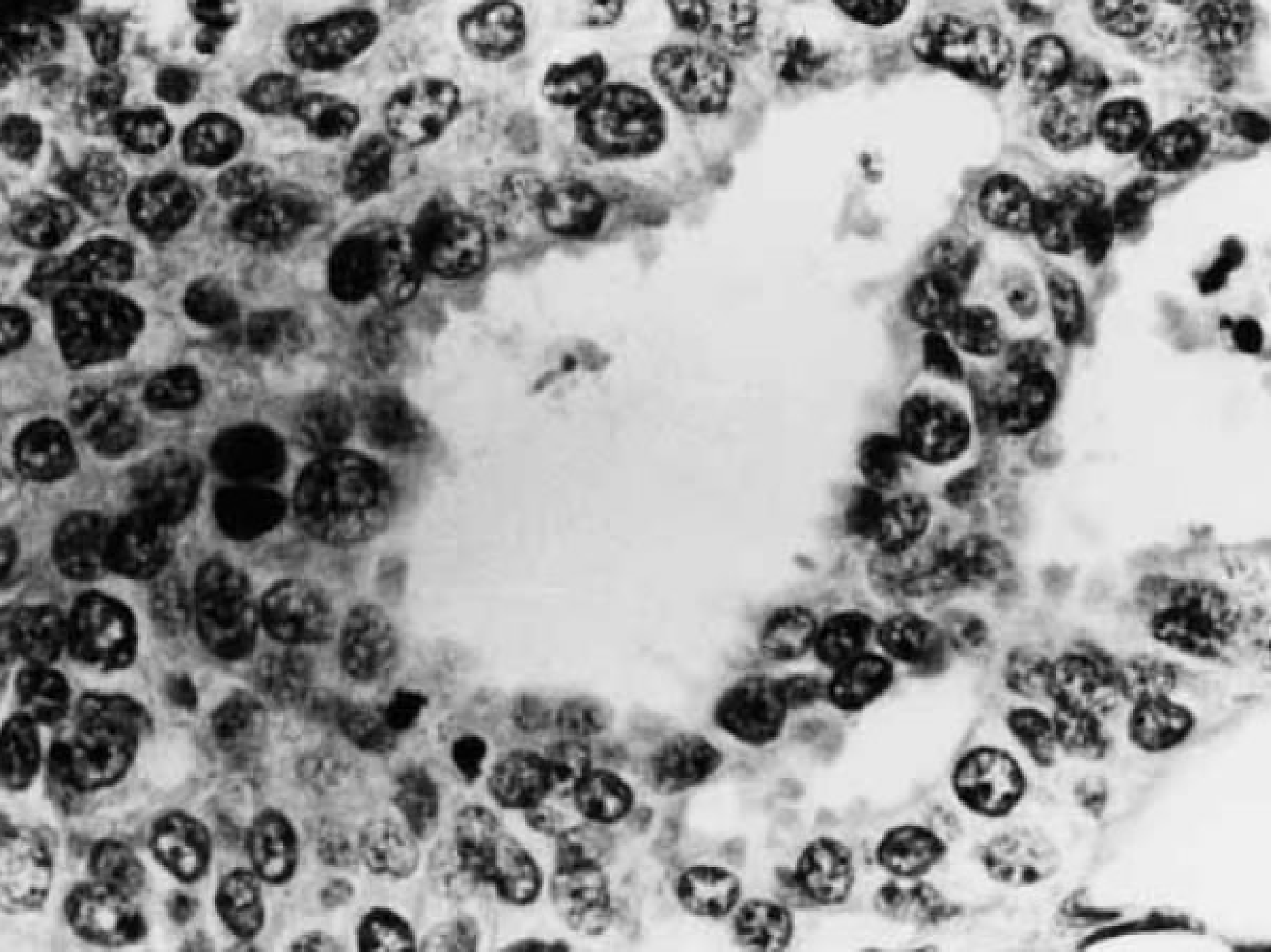


- In situ carcinoma with neoplastic keratinocytes invade the dermis
- HPV 2 associated in extragenital lesions
- HPV 16 most common in genital lesions



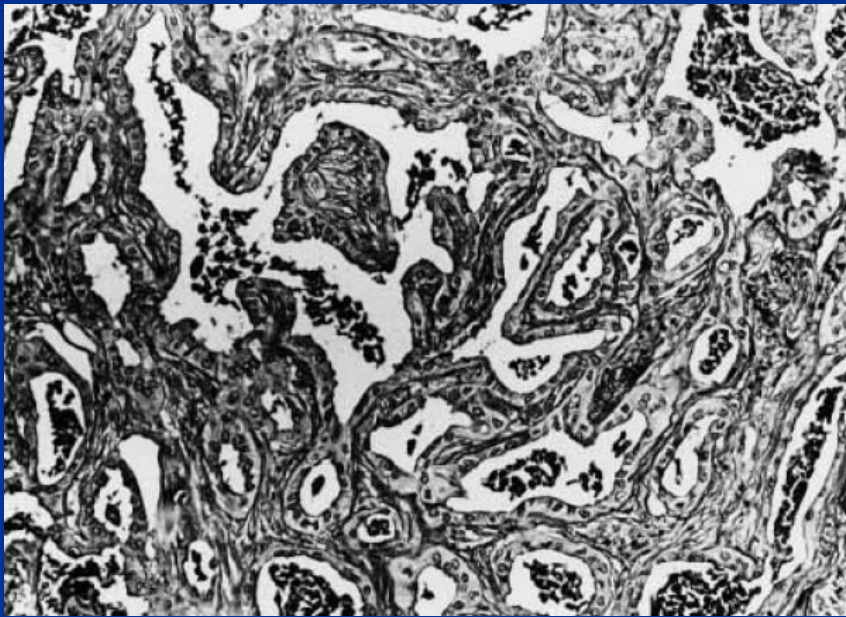






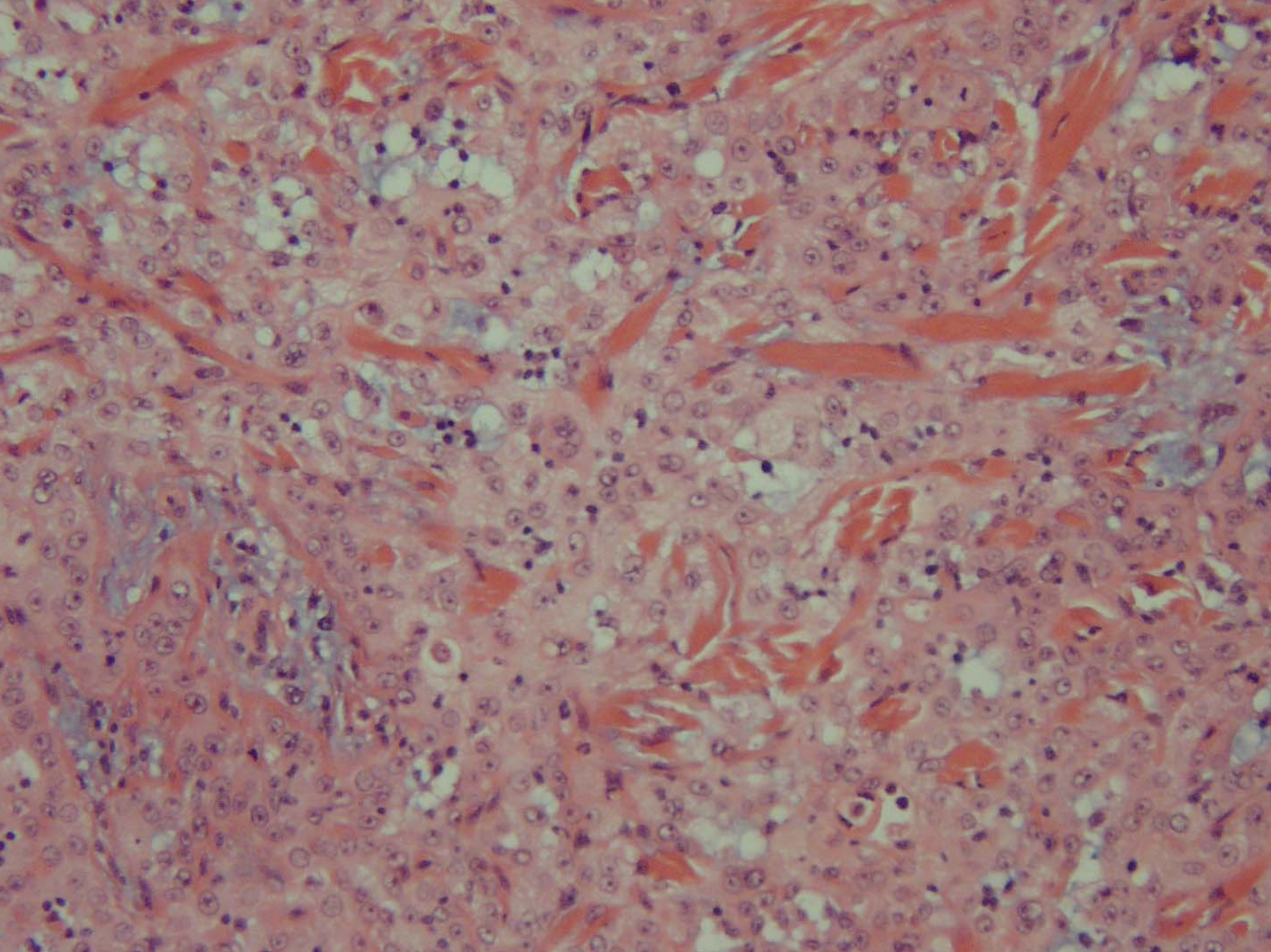
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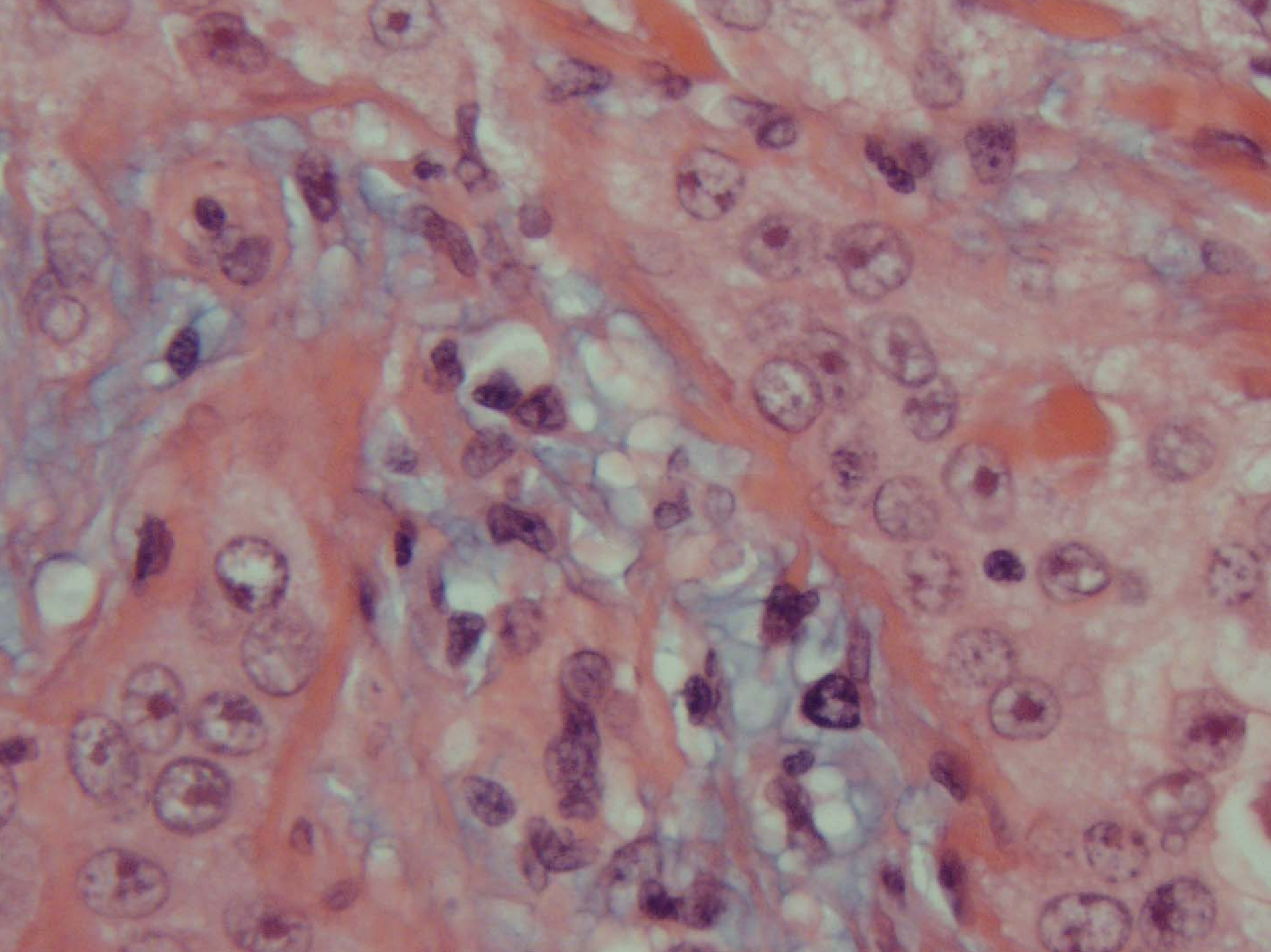
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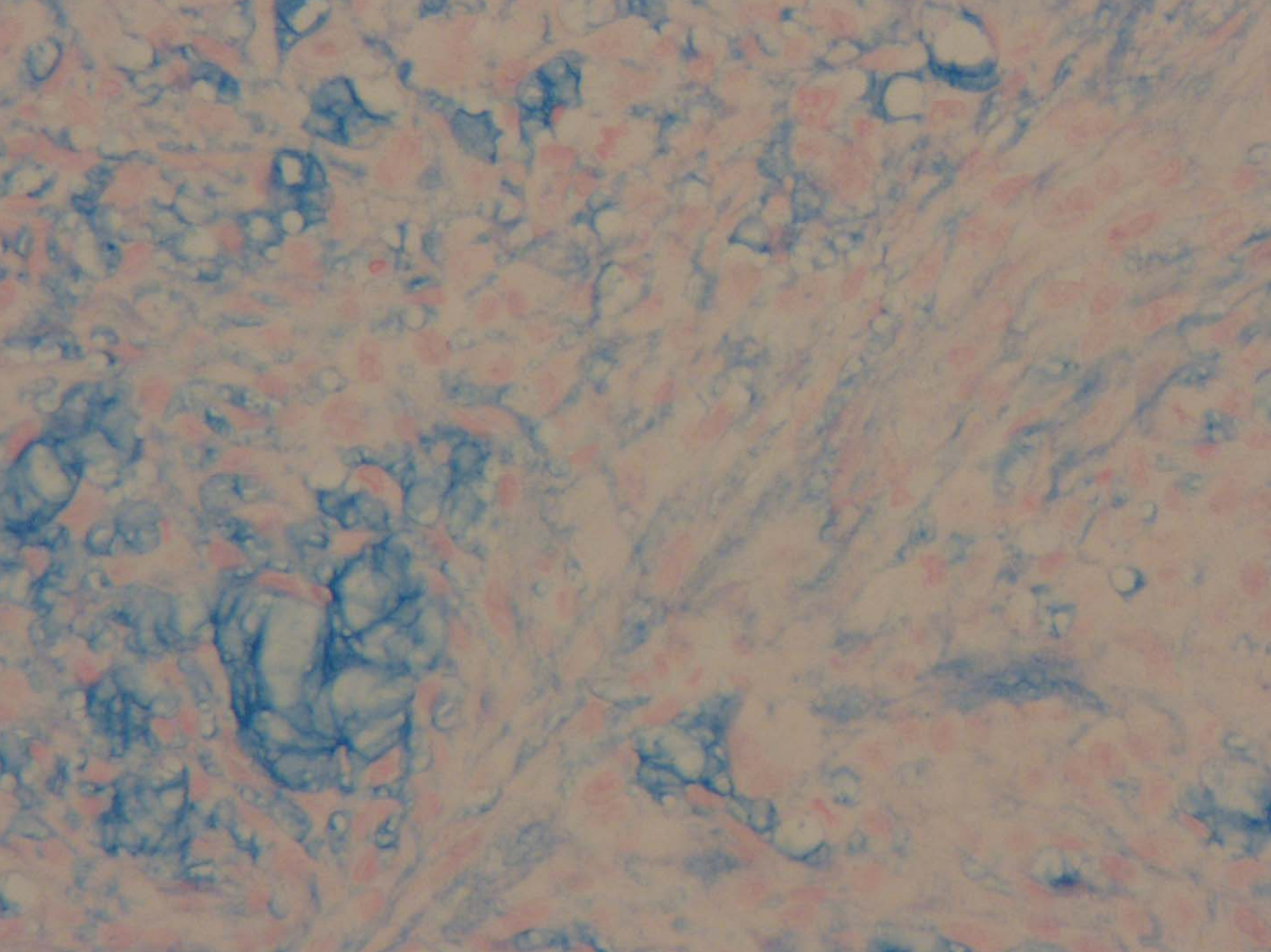


- Rare
 - Less than 15 well-documented
 - Term such as mucoepidermoid carcinomas and acantholytic squamous cell carcinomas used
- Two components
 - Conventional squamous cell carcinoma merging with adenocarcinoma
- Prognosis
 - Local recurrence with later lymph node metastases
 - No evidence of disease 8 months later
- Always exclude metastases to skin
- Journal of Cutaneous Pathology 2001;28 (10), 542-545

Unusual Variants

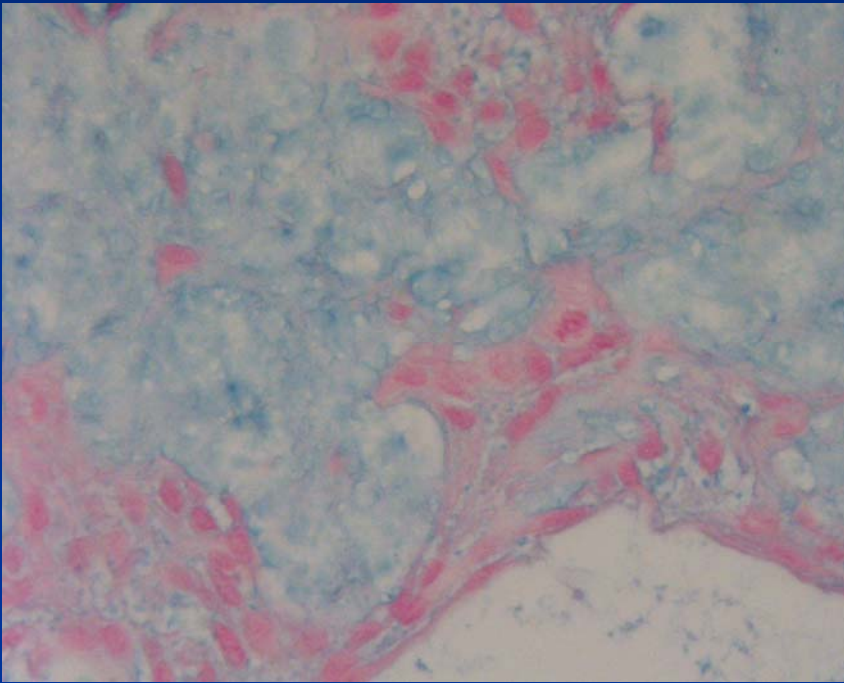




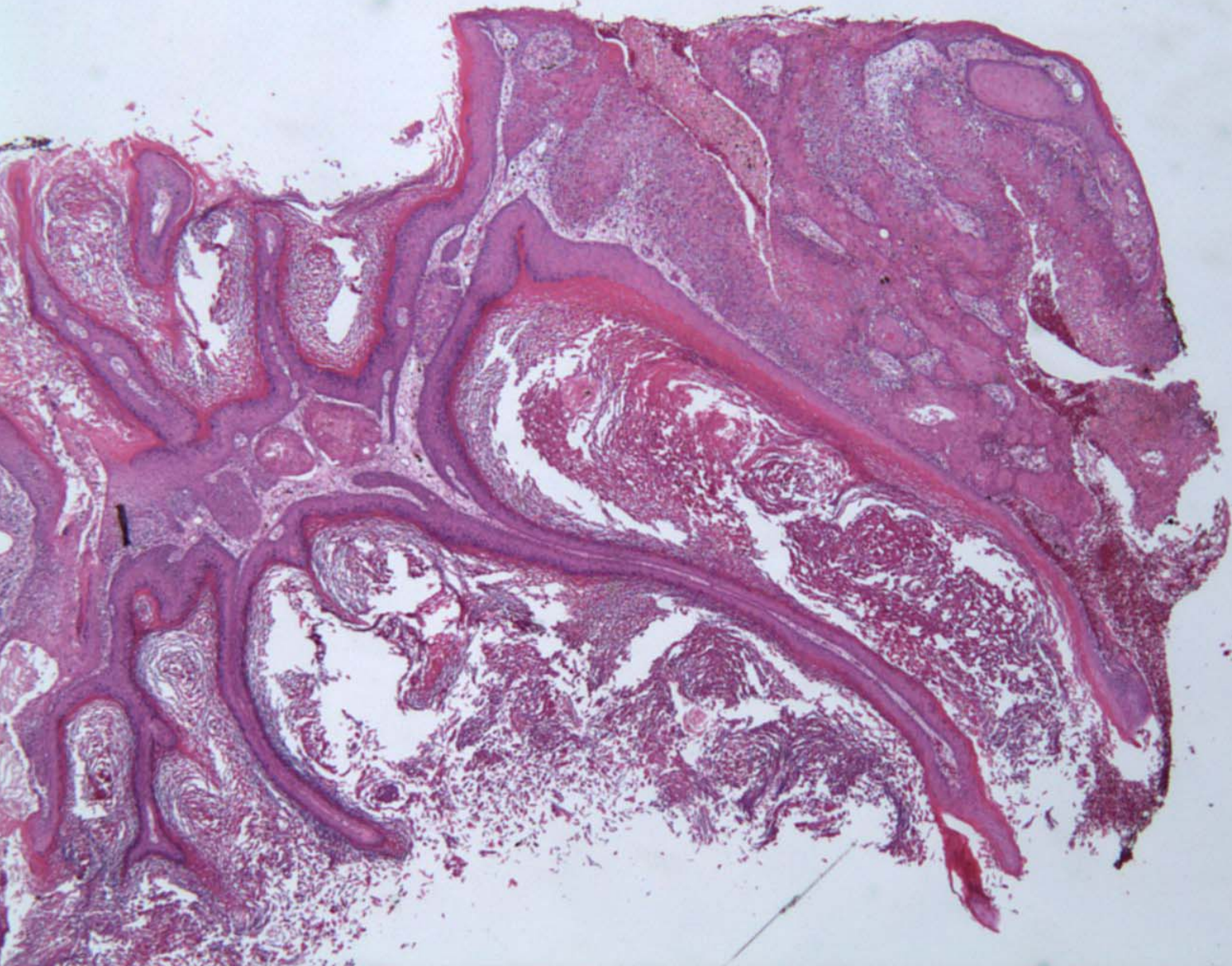


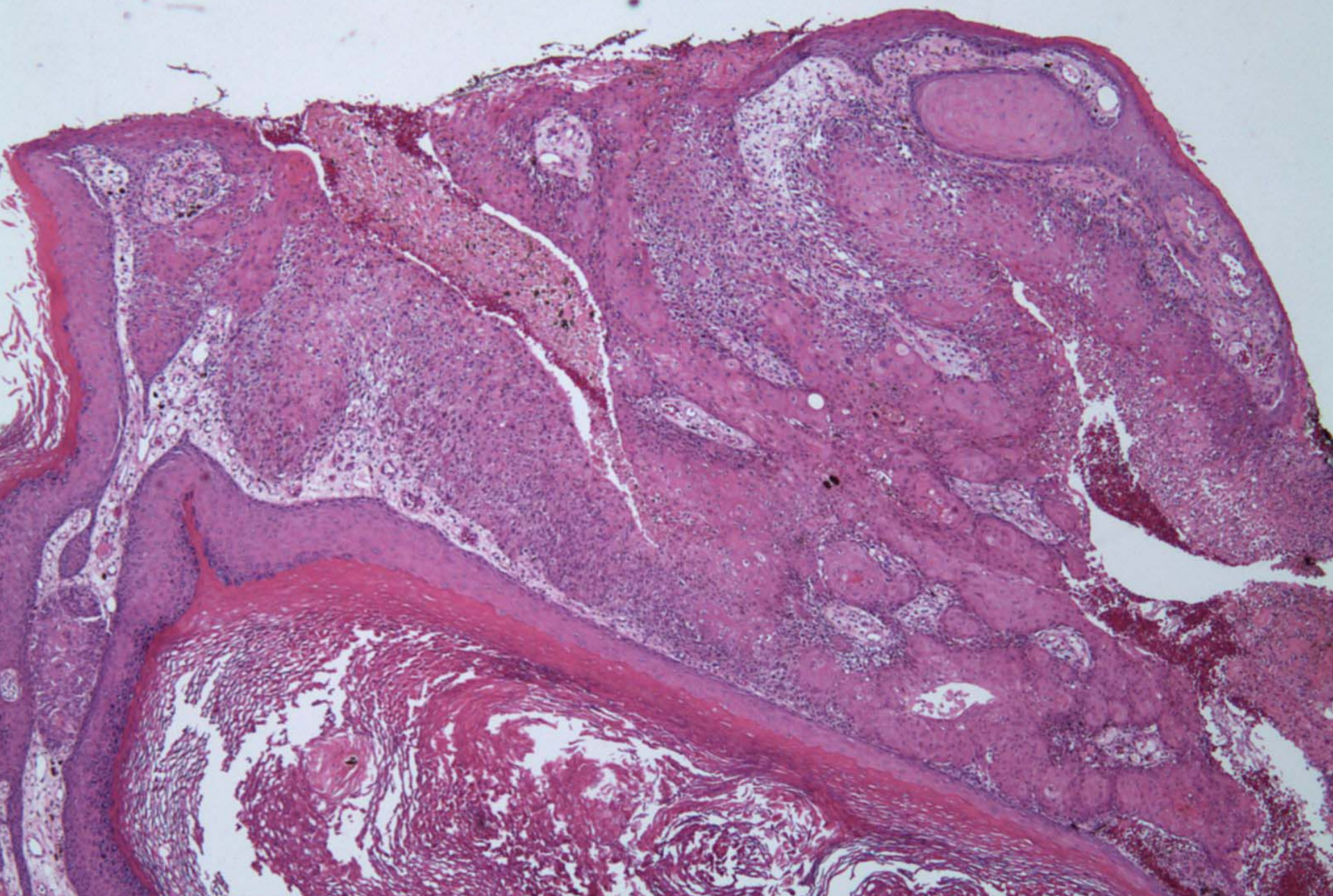
Mucinous Squamous Cell CA

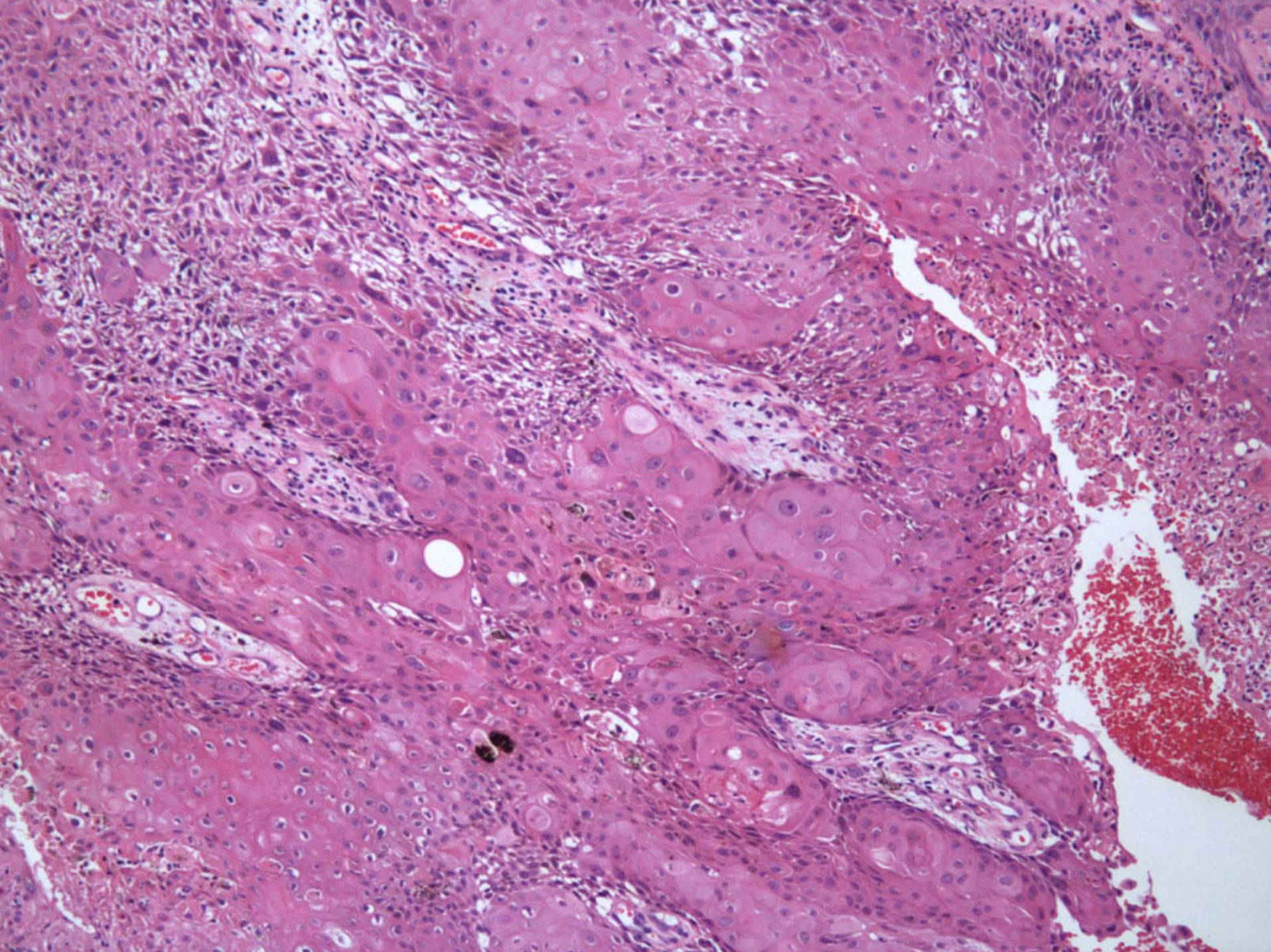
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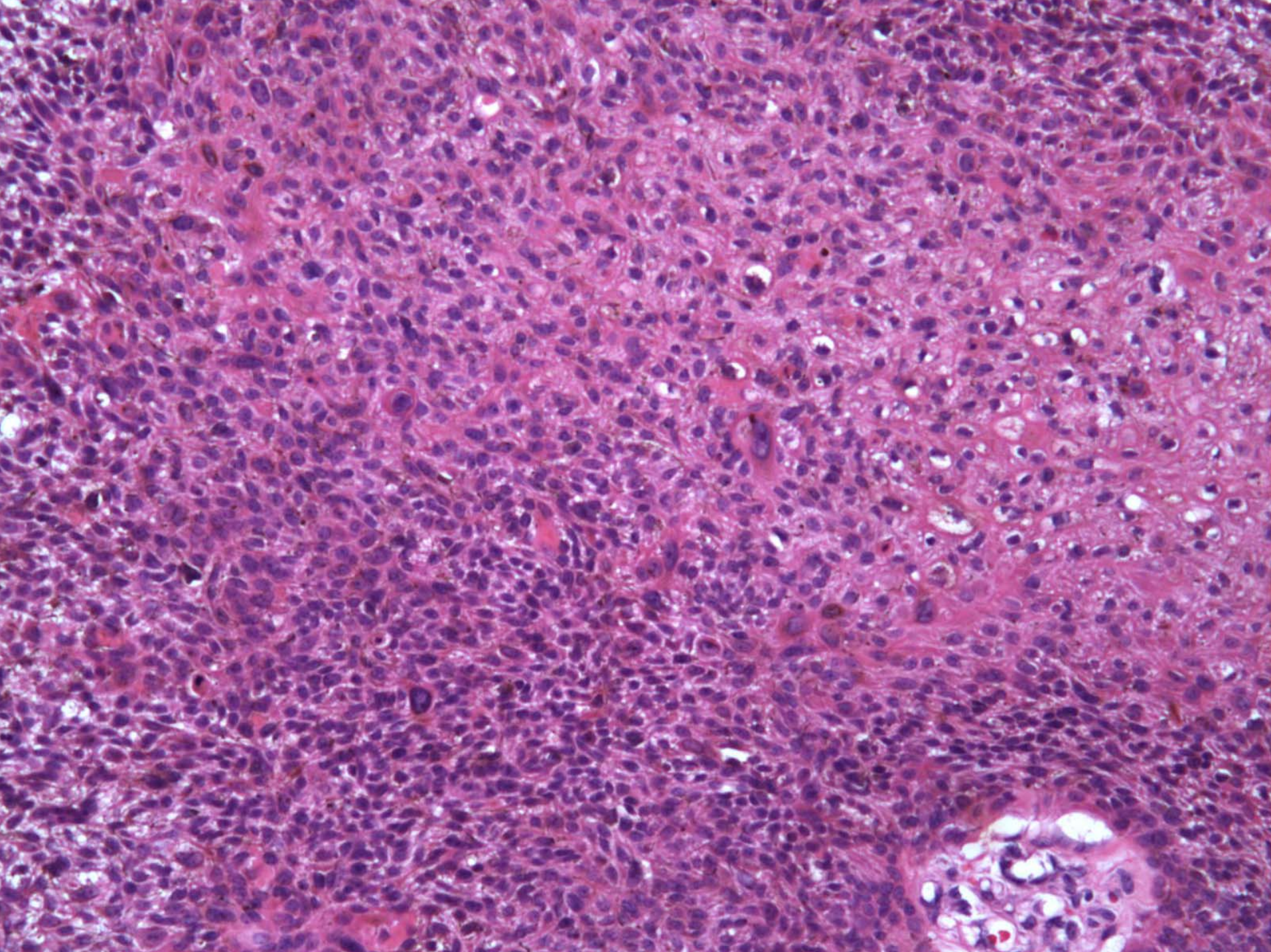


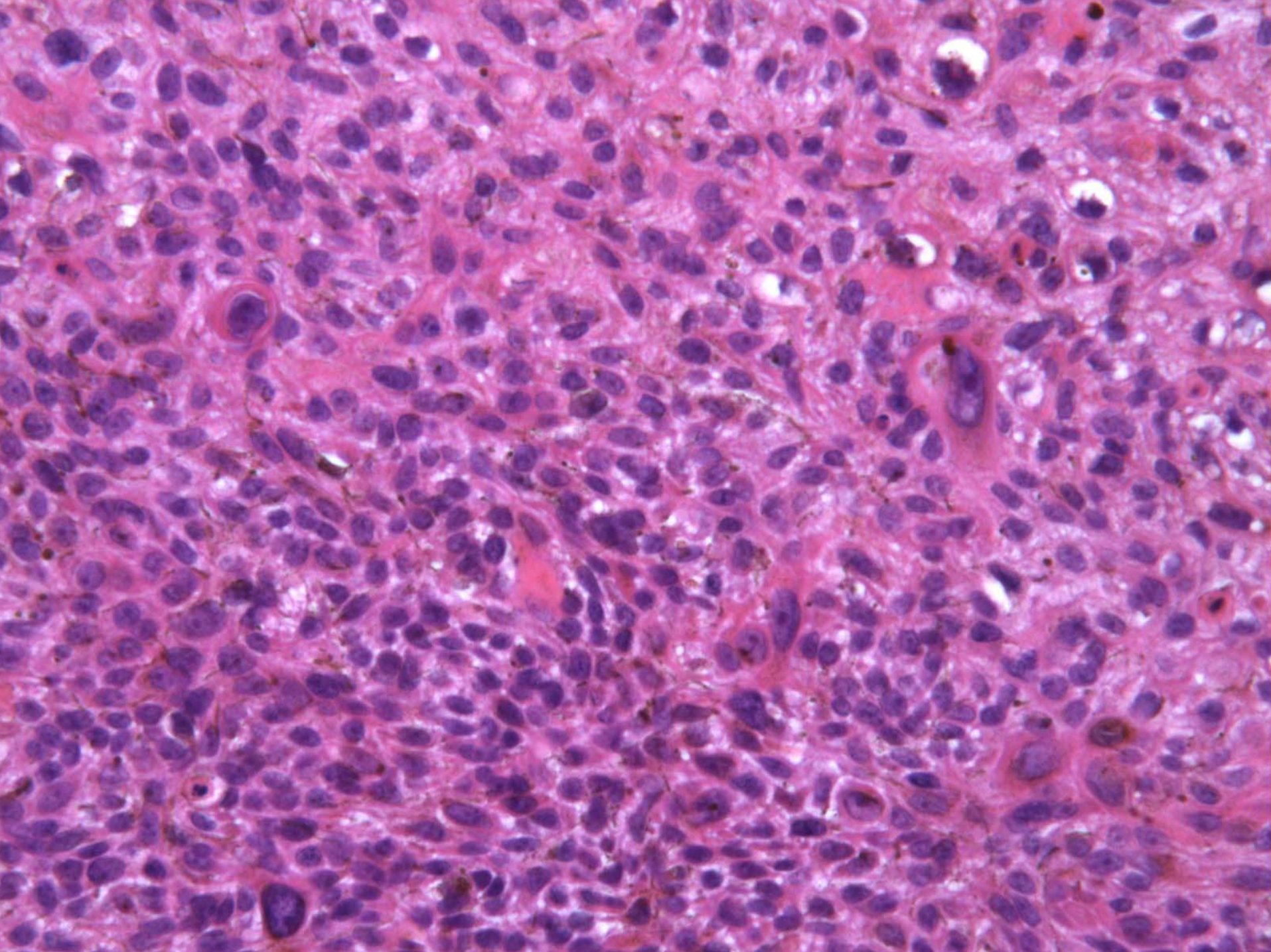
- Mucinous change
- Differentiate from basosquamous CA
- Rule out metastatic adenocarcinoma

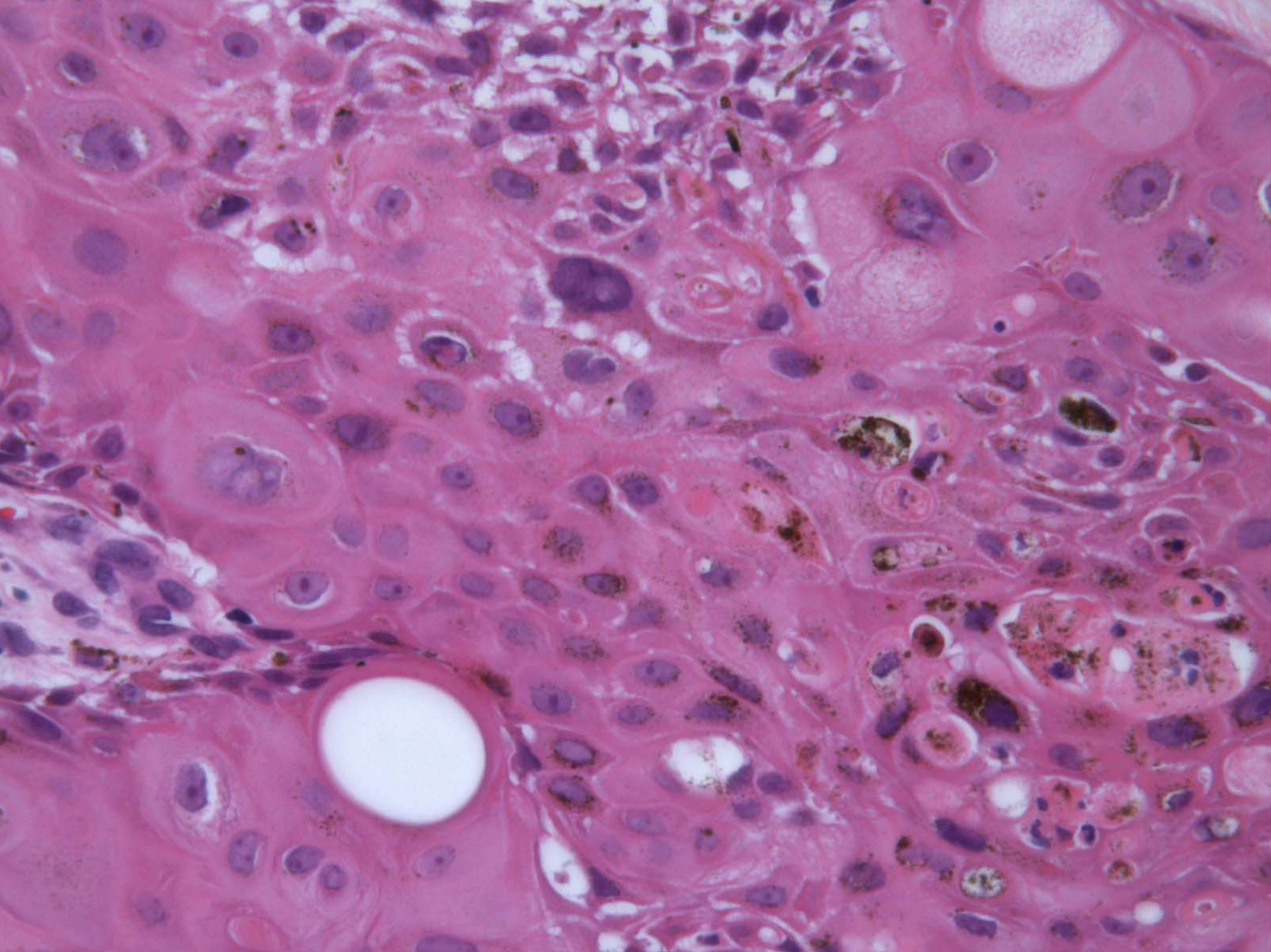






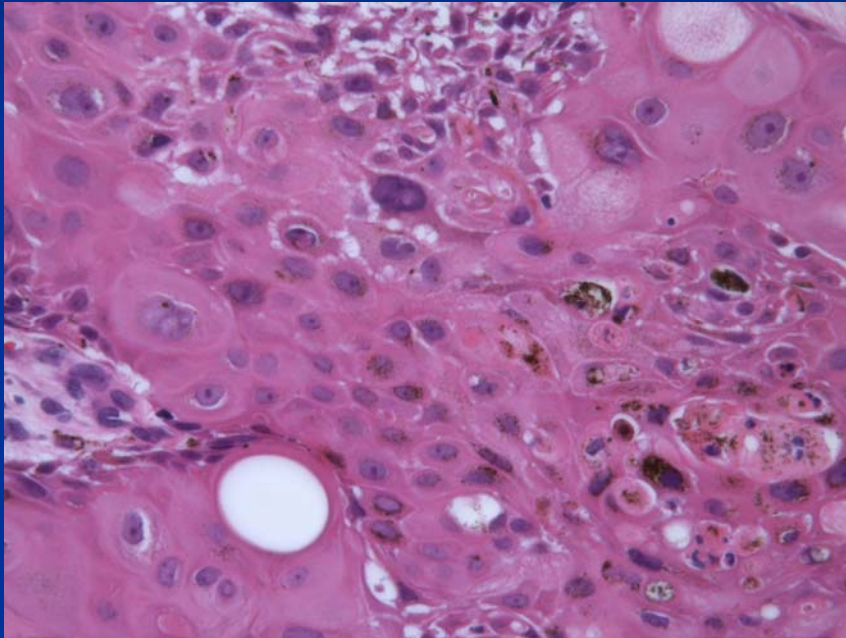






Pigmented Squamous Cell CA

Pigmented SCCA



- Rare
 - 5/46,791 archived cases
 - Relative frequency of approximately 0.01%
- Rapidly growing crusted papule on actinic damaged skin of the face
- Mixture of keratinized squamous cells and melanin-producing dendritic melanocytes.
- IPOX
 - Squamous cells stained for epithelial membrane antigen, low and high molecular keratins
 - Melanocytes stained for S-100 and HMB-45
 - Matched series of 31 SCCs failed to show intratumoral melanocytes.

Squamous Cell Carcinoma...

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