

Lung Tumours

- **Benign vs. malignant**
- **Epithelial vs. non-epithelial**
 - Sarcomas, Lymphomas, Melanomas
- **Primary vs. secondary**
 - Main metastatic neoplasms localisations:
 - ⇒ Lung
 - ⇒ Liver
 - ⇒ Bones
 - ⇒ Brain
 - Primary sources of lung metastases:
 - ⇒ Lung
 - ⇒ Breast
 - ⇒ Colon
 - ⇒ Pancreas

- **Pulmonary neoplasms** may be benign or malignant. Benign lung tumors are scarce in comparison with malignant tumors.
Malignant lung tumors may be:

- **primary** (arising from cells in the bronchi, lung parenchyma, or pleura) or
- **metastatic** (reaching the lung via the bloodstream or lymphatics or by direct invasion).

Lung Tumours

■ Benign:

- ⇒ Alveolar adenoma
- ⇒ Squamous cell papilloma
- ⇒ Sclerosing pneumocitoma (ex sclerosing haemangioma)
- ⇒ Lung Hamartoma polmonare
- ⇒ Chondroma
- ⇒ Myofibroblastic tumour
- ⇒ PEComas
 - ⇒ Lymphangioleiomyomatosis
 - ⇒ PEComa benign/malignant
 - ⇒ Clear cell tumour

Lung Tumours

- Non-invasive (*in situ*)
 - Atypical adenomatous hyperplasia
 - Adenocarcinoma in situ (+/- mucinoso)
 - Squamous cell carcinoma in situ
 - Diffuse neuroendocrine cell hyperplasia

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Primary lung tumours

- Bronchogenic (columnar cells) carcinomas, including adenocarcinomas and squamous cell carcinomas.
- Bronchoalveolar (cuboidal cells) carcinomas, which may be present as multiple nodules (nowadays considered “*in situ*” adenocarcinomas and better named “*lepidic pattern*”)
- Endocrine

Pulmonary neoplasias

- Malignant:
 - carcinoma

Lung Tumours

- **Lung carcinoma**
 - ⇒ Most frequent human malignancy
 - ⇒ Highest tumour-related mortality
 - ⇒ Progressively increased over last 50 years
 - ⇒ Ratio M/F = 1.3/1

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Lung carcinoma: etiopathogenesis

- **Cigarette smoking** (major aetiological factor in 80%-85% of all bronchogenic cancers)
- **Environmental pollution**
 - **Air pollution** may play a role for developing lung cancer as mortality rates for lung cancer are higher among urban dwellers than among rural inhabitants
 - **Asbestos** (naturally occurring silicate minerals) Occupational exposure to asbestos fibers and to radioactive gases has been linked to increased incidence of lung cancer

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Risk factors

Parenchimal diseases:

- **Tuberculosis**
- **Silicosis**: (pneumoconiosis) occupational lung disease caused by inhalation of crystalline silica dust, marked by inflammation and scarring, presenting as nodular lesions in the upper lobes of the lungs
- **Diffuse post-inflammatory fibrosis**

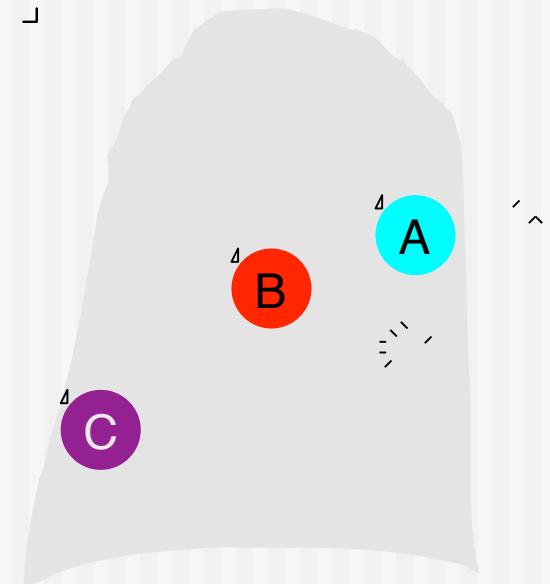
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- **Lung carcinoma:**
 - ⇒ Adult/elderly subjects
 - ⇒ Perseverant smokers
 - ⇒ BCOP
 - ⇒ Nuanced symptoms:
 - **Persistent cough**
 - **Haemoptysis**
 - Paraneoplastic syndromes
 - **Cryptogenic iron-deficiency anemia**

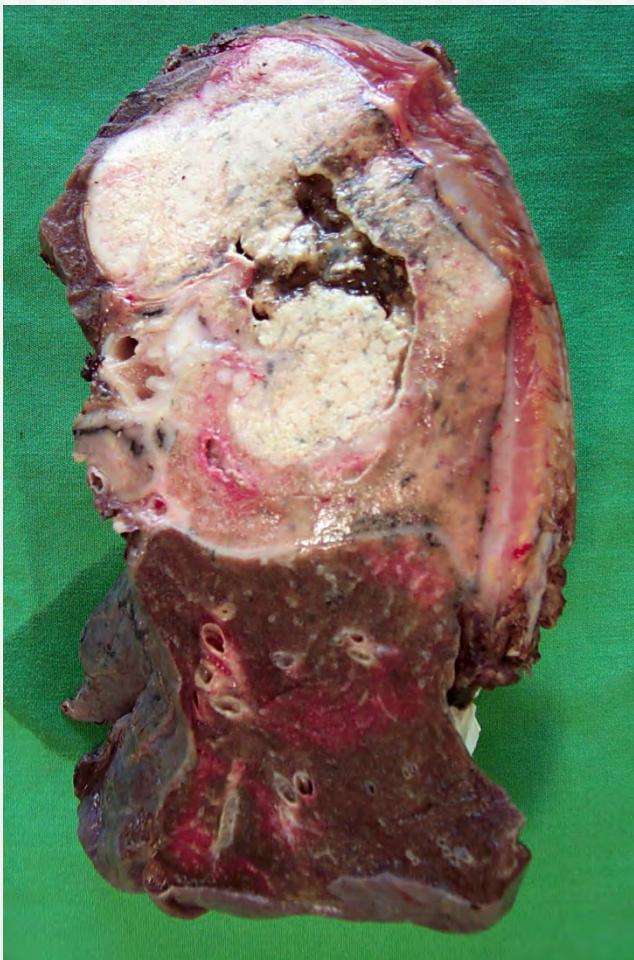
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Topography:

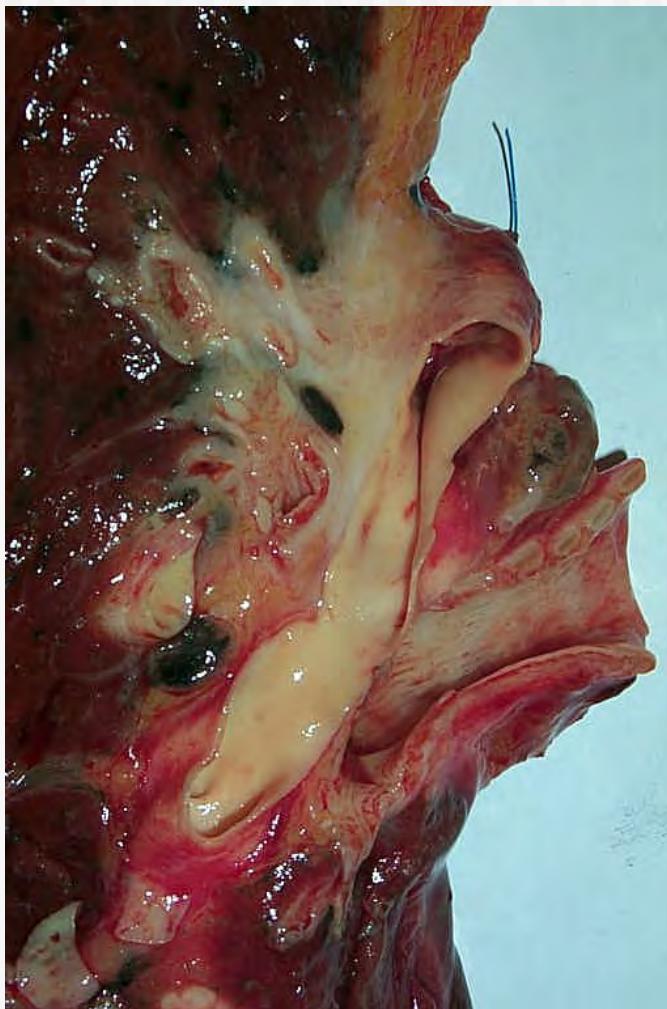
- A. Hilar (bronchocentric)
- B. Central (intra-parenchymal)
- C. Peripheral (sub-pleuric)



Lung Tumours: carcinoma



Lung Tumours: carcinoma

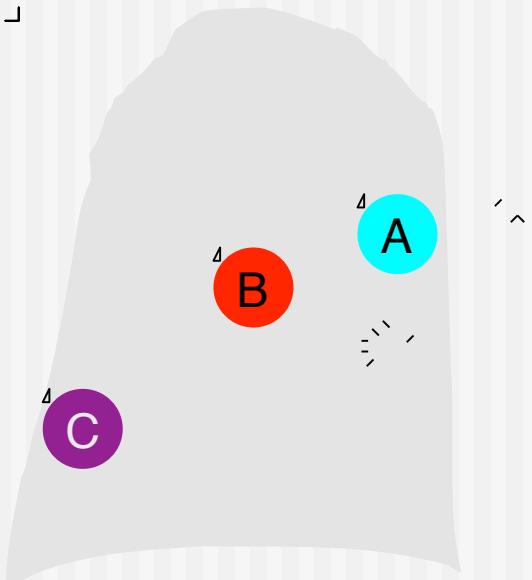


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Lung Tumours: carcinoma

Clinical classification

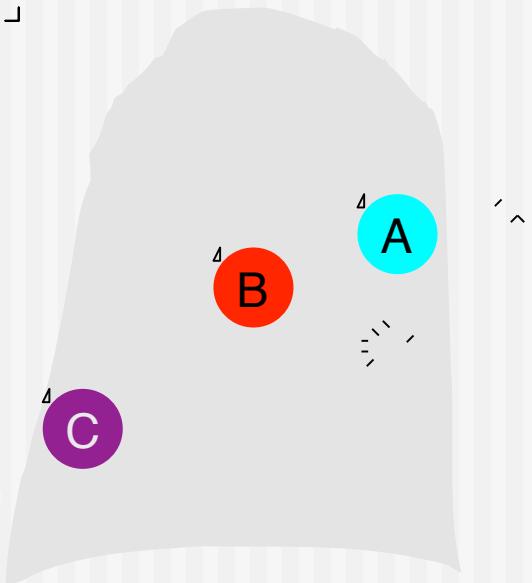
- A. Non-Small-cell lung carcinoma (NSCLC)
- B. Small cell lung carcinoma (SCLC)
- C. Non-Small-cell lung carcinoma (NSCLC)



Lung Tumours: carcinoma

Histotypes

- A. Squamous-cell carcinoma
- B. Large/small cell lung carcinoma
- C. Adenocarcinoma & variants (EGFR, ALK, ROS1)



Lung Tumours: carcinoma

- **Diffusion pathways**
 - ⇒ Intra-pulmonary (lymphatic)
 - ⇒ Trans-pleural
 - ⇒ Lymphogenous (mediastinum)
 - ⇒ Haematogenous (brain)

Lung tumours: Adenocarcinoma

- **Histotypes**

- ⇒ Lepidic G1
- ⇒ Acinar, papillary G2
- ⇒ Invasive mucinous, colloid
- ⇒ Micropapillary & solid G3

- Minimally invasive adenoca. ≤ 5 mm.
- IHC: TTF-1, Napsina A, CK7

Lung tumours: Adenocarcinoma

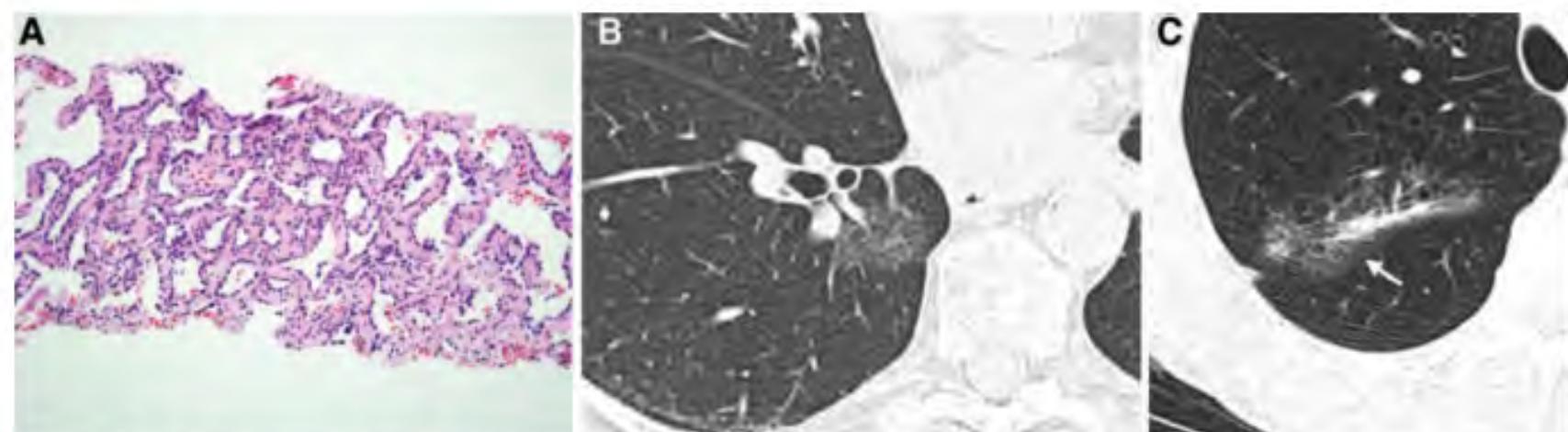
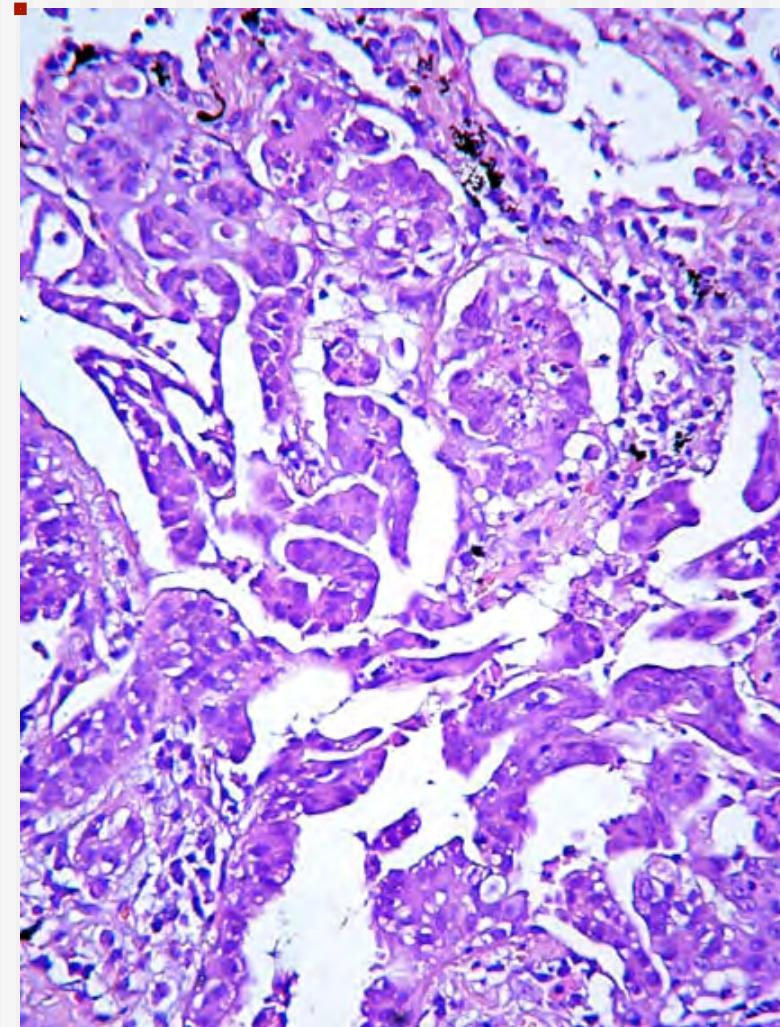
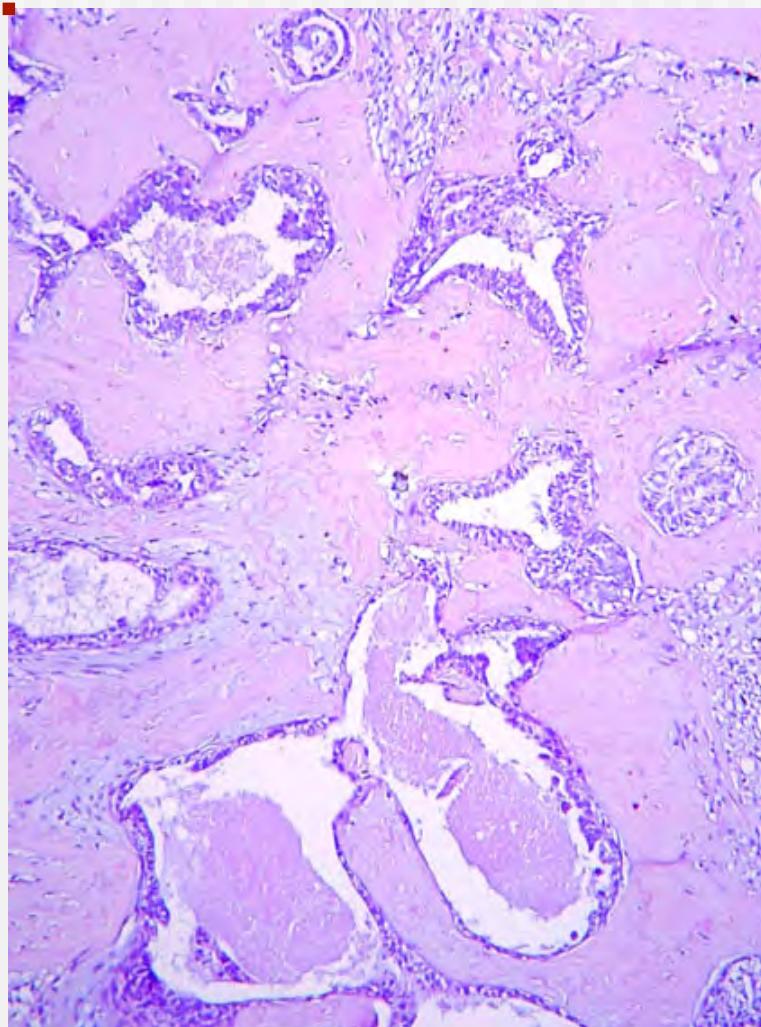


FIGURE 1. *A*, Core biopsy shows an "adenocarcinoma with a lepidic pattern." *B*, Correlation with the computed tomography (CT) scan shows a 2.5-cm pure ground glass nodule with no solid component, favoring a diagnosis of adenocarcinoma in situ (AIS), although a small invasive component or minimally invasive adenocarcinoma (MIA) cannot be excluded. *C*, This part solid nodule is from a resected lepidic predominant adenocarcinoma. If a core biopsy came from the ground glass area highlighted by the arrow, it could show the same pathologic findings as in *A*. It would be misleading to make a pathologic diagnosis of AIS in such a case as the entire lesion has not been sampled and the invasive component is not represented in the biopsy specimen.

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Lung tumours: Squamous cell carcinoma

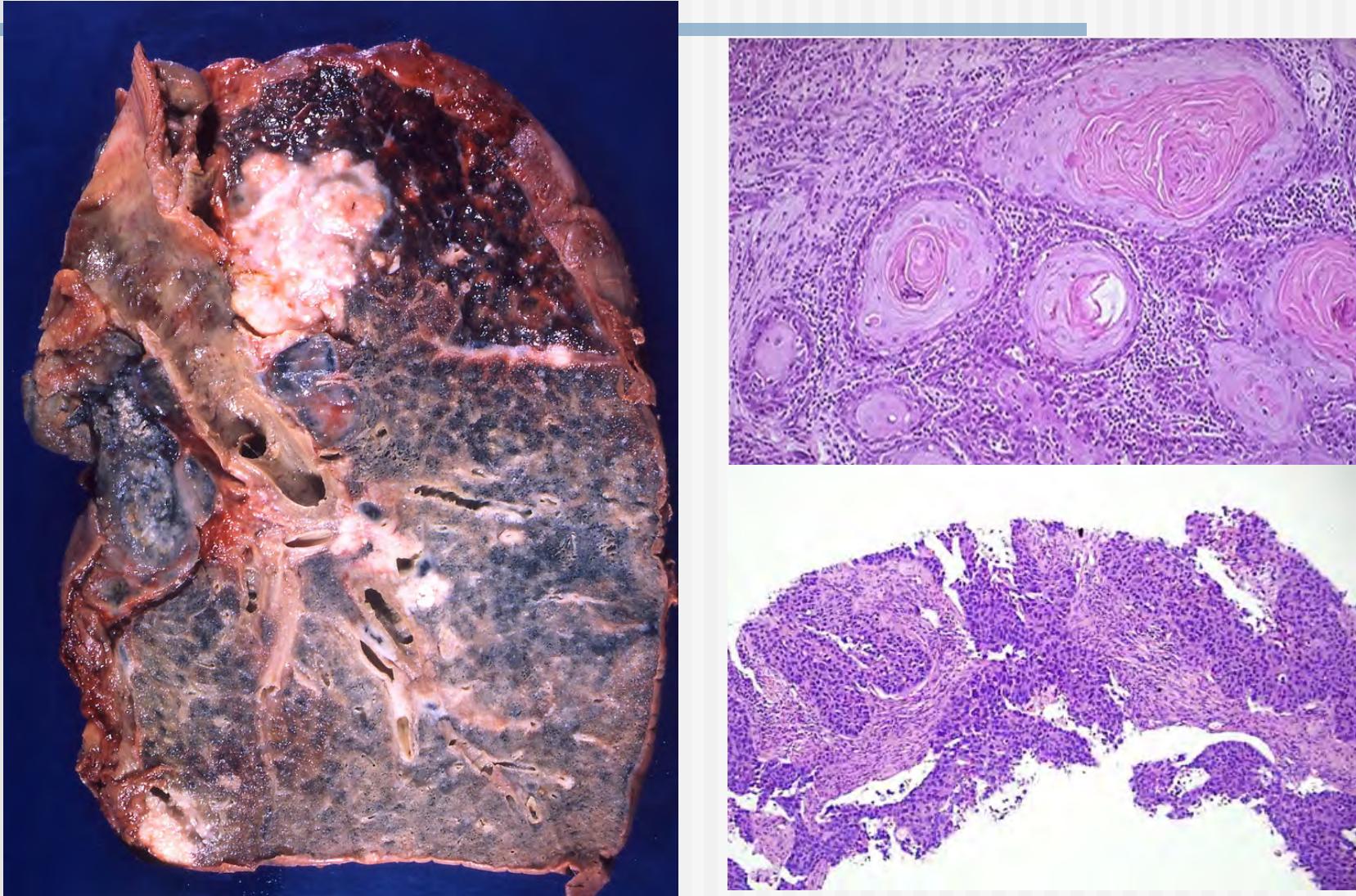
- **Variants**

- ⇒ Keratinizing
- ⇒ Non-keratinizing
- ⇒ Basaloid

+/- In situ component

IHC: p40/p63+, TTF-1-, CK7 +/-

Lung tumours: Squamous cell carcinoma

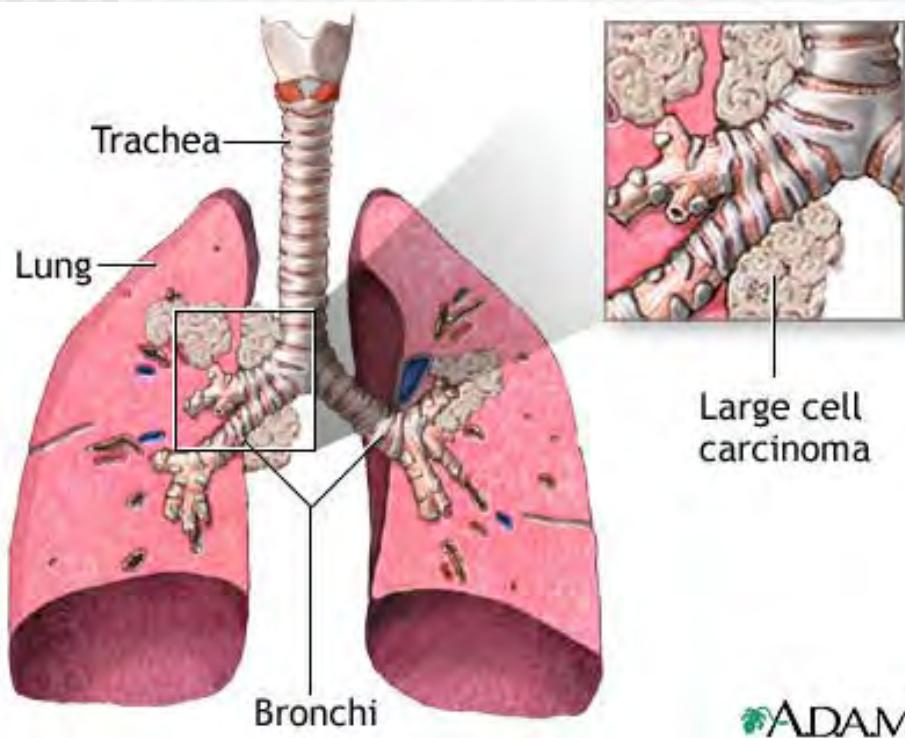


Lung tumours: Large cell carcinoma (LCC)

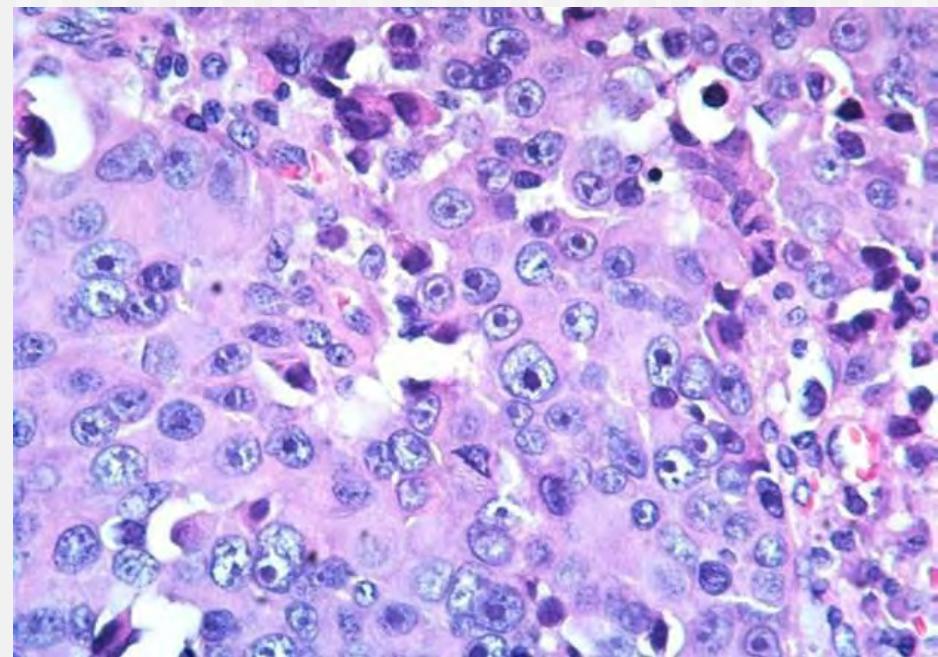
- High grade
- Aggressive clinical course
- By exclusion diagnosis
 - ⇒ Non-adenocarcinoma
 - ⇒ Non-squamous
 - ⇒ Non-neuroendocrine

IIC: p40/p63-, TTF-1-, CK7 +/-,
Chromogranin/sinaptophysin-

Lung tumours: Large cell carcinoma (LCC)



ADAM.



Lung neoplasms: Neuroendocrine tumours

- Diffuse neuroendocrine cell hyperplasia
- Typical carcinoid G1
- Atypical carcinoid G2
- Neuroendocrine carcinoma G3
 - SCLC (>50%)
 - LCNEC
 - ⇒ Iceberg shaped
 - ⇒ Progressively more aggressive
 - ⇒ Endocrine marker (chromogranin, sinaptophysin, CD56)
 - ⇒ Endocrine symptoms
 - ACTH, gastrin, serotonin

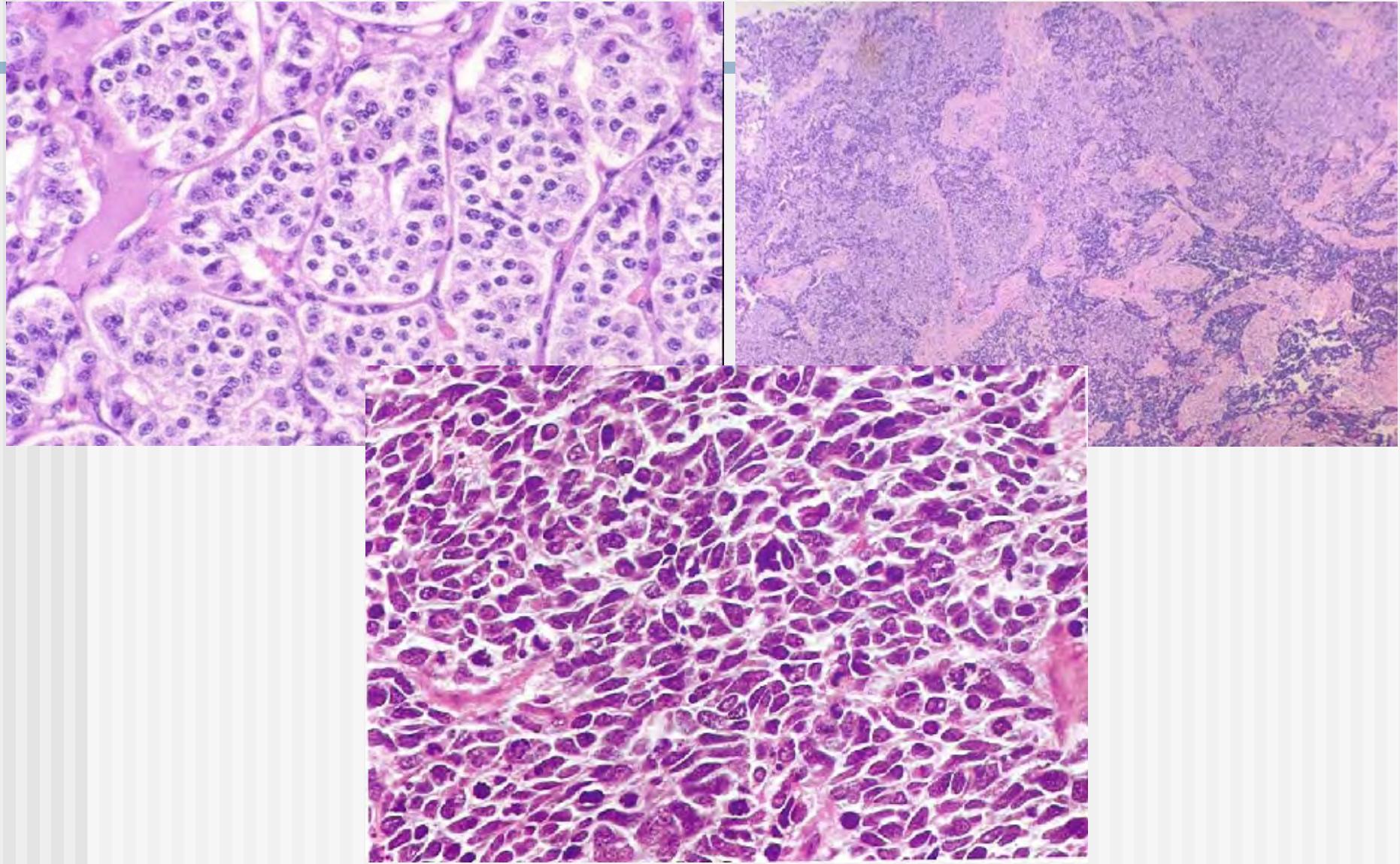
Pulmonary neoplasias: Endocrine tumors



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Neoplasie polmonari:

Tumori endocrini



Lung Tumours: secondary

- ***Secondary (metastatic spread)***

Primary lung tumours can spread within the lung itself by lymphogenous and haematogenous routes or by transmigration of cells across alveoli and bronchi.

- The lung is a major site for metastases of tumours from other organs
- The most frequent primary sites include **breast, colonic and pancreatic carcinomas, skin squamous cell carcinoma, melanoma, lymphoma and osteosarcoma.**
- Multicentric neoplasms, such as lymphoma and mastocytoma, may have the lung as one of the tumour sites.
- Tumours of the larynx are rare and those of the trachea exceptional