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The spectrum of haemangioendotheliomas

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- No disclosure



Terminology regarding malignant potential:

- **Benign**
- **Intermediate**
 - Locally aggressive
 - Rarely metastasizing
- **Malignant**

VASCULAR TUMOURS OF SOFT TISSUE

Benign

Haemangioma 9120/0

Synovial

Venous

Arteriovenous haemangioma/malformation

Intramuscular

Epithelioid haemangioma 9125/0

Angiomatosis

Lymphangioma 9170/0

Intermediate (locally aggressive)

Kaposiform haemangioendothelioma 9130/1

Intermediate (rarely metastasizing)

Retiform haemangioendothelioma 9136/1*

Papillary intralymphatic angioendothelioma 9135/1

Composite haemangioendothelioma 9136/1

Pseudomyogenic (epithelioid sarcoma-like)
haemangioendothelioma 9136/1

Kaposi sarcoma 9140/3

Malignant

Epithelioid haemangioendothelioma 9133/3

Angiosarcoma of soft tissue 9120/3

Haem-
angioma



Haem-
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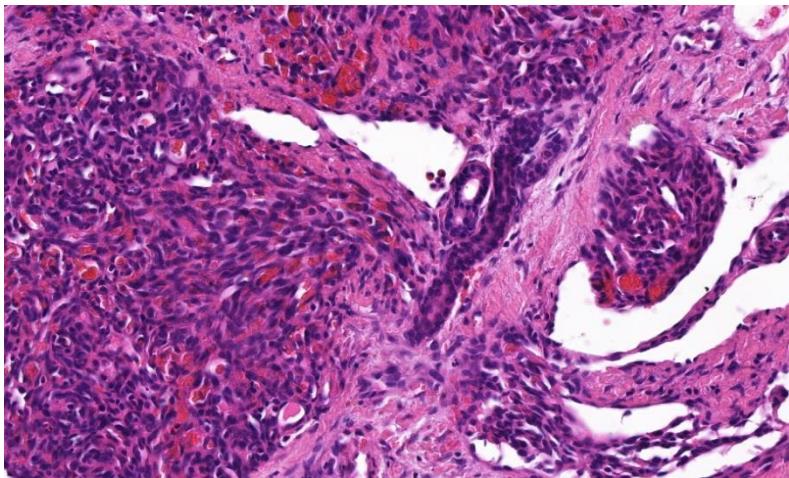
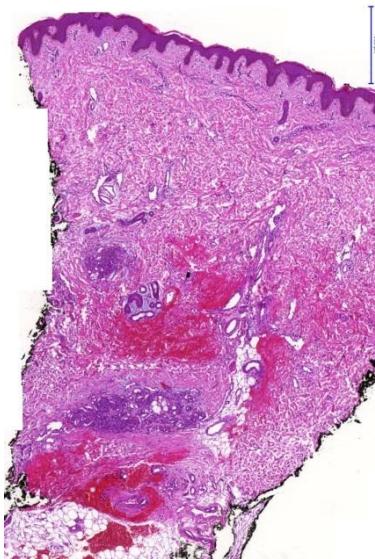
Angio-
sarcoma

Haemangioendotheliomas

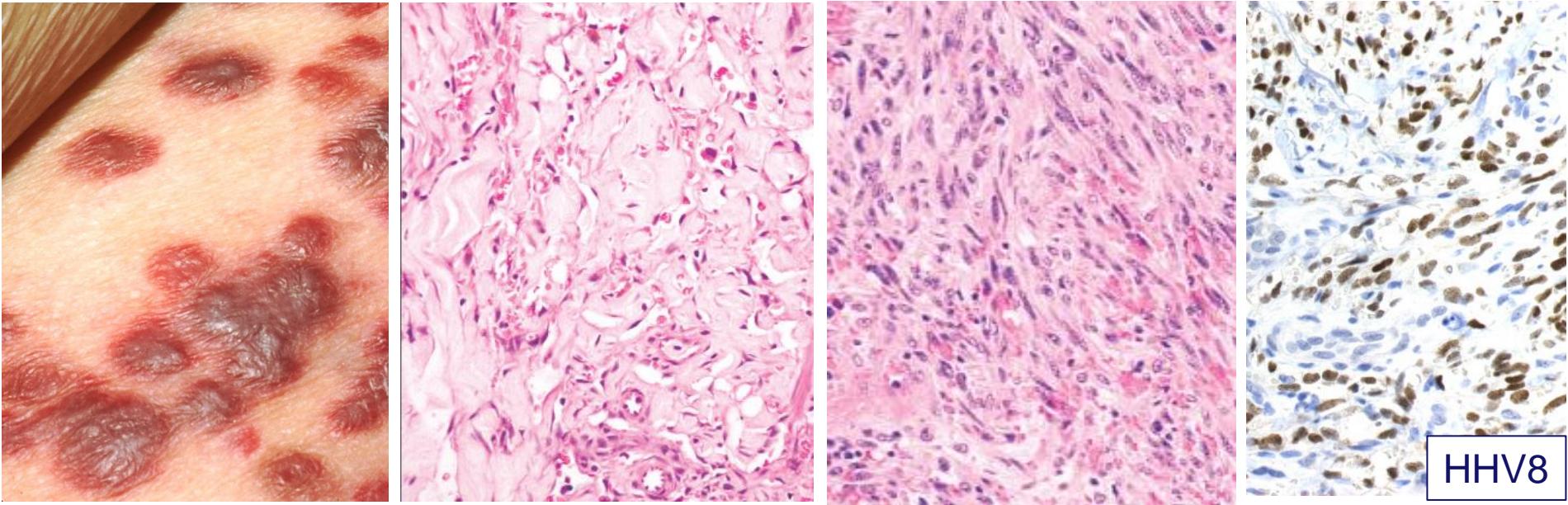
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haemangioendothelioma** Rarely metastasizing
- **Epithelioid hemangioendothelioma** Malignant

Kaposiform haemangioendothelioma

- Locally aggressive
- Nearly exclusively in children
- Often associated with Kassabach-Merritt phenomenon (thrombocytopenia)
- No tendency to regress
- Mortality ~10% due to local disease or thrombocytopenia
- Difficult to treat

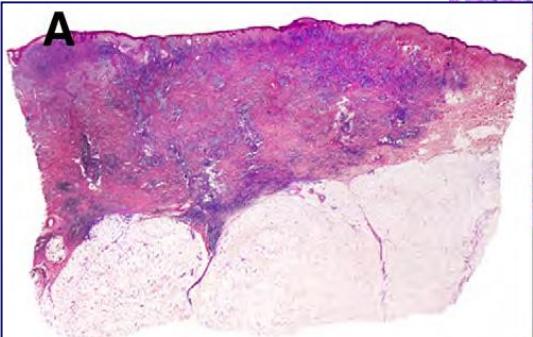
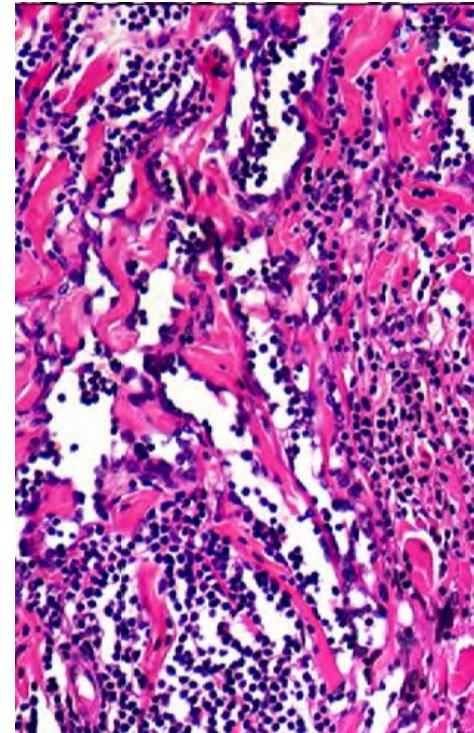
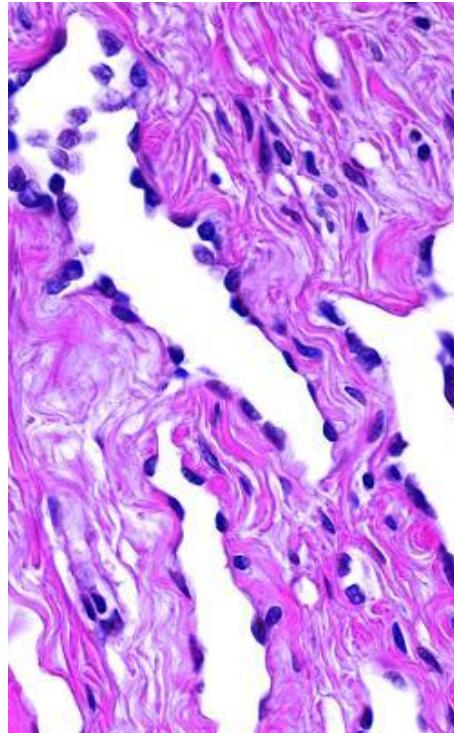
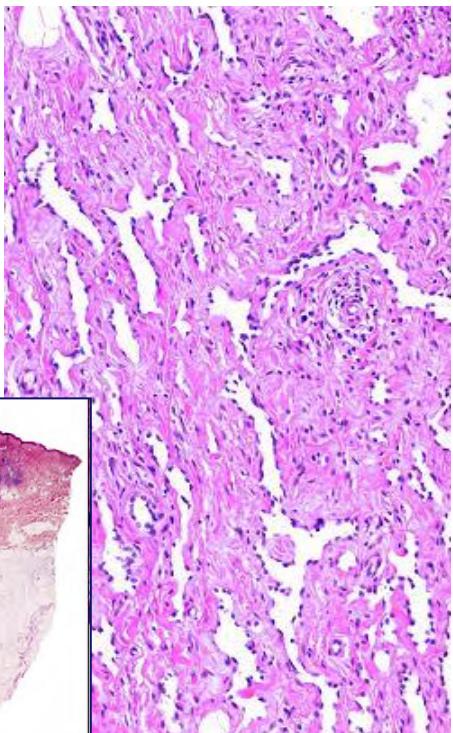


- Virus induced vascular proliferation: HHV-8
- Locally aggressive: variable clinical behaviour
- Classic indolent vs. aggressive AIDS-associated



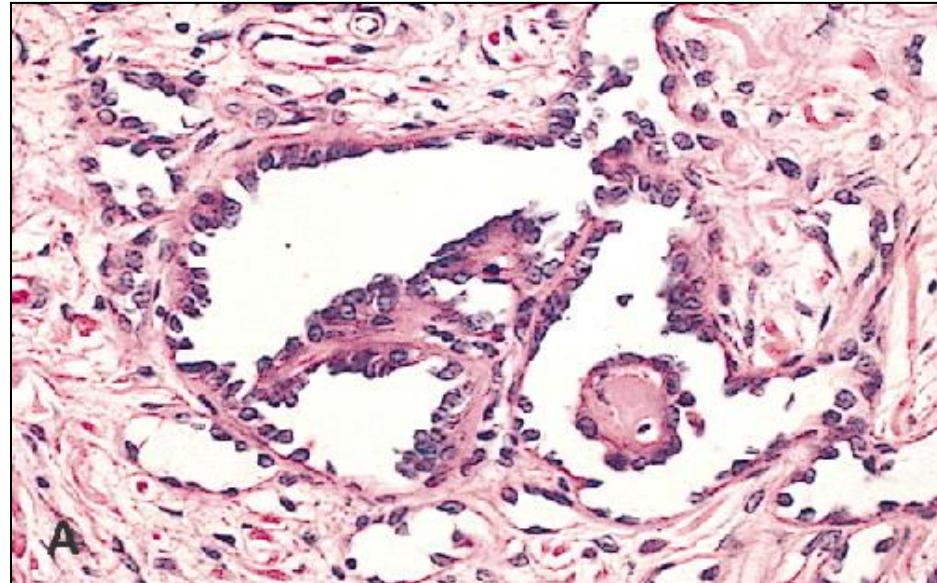
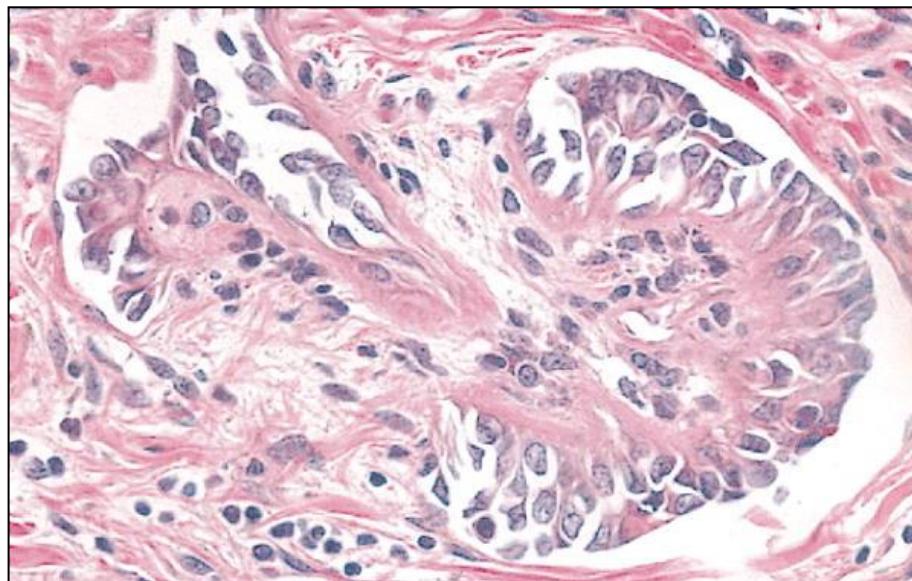
Retiform hemangioendothelioma

- Locally aggressive, rarely metastasizing
- Wide age range
- Multiple local recurrence (60%) over many years
- Rarely metastases to regional lymph nodes





- Previously: Dabska tumor
- Lymphatic phenotype
- Infants and children, 25% in adults
- “Rarely metastasizing”: excellent prognosis after wide excision

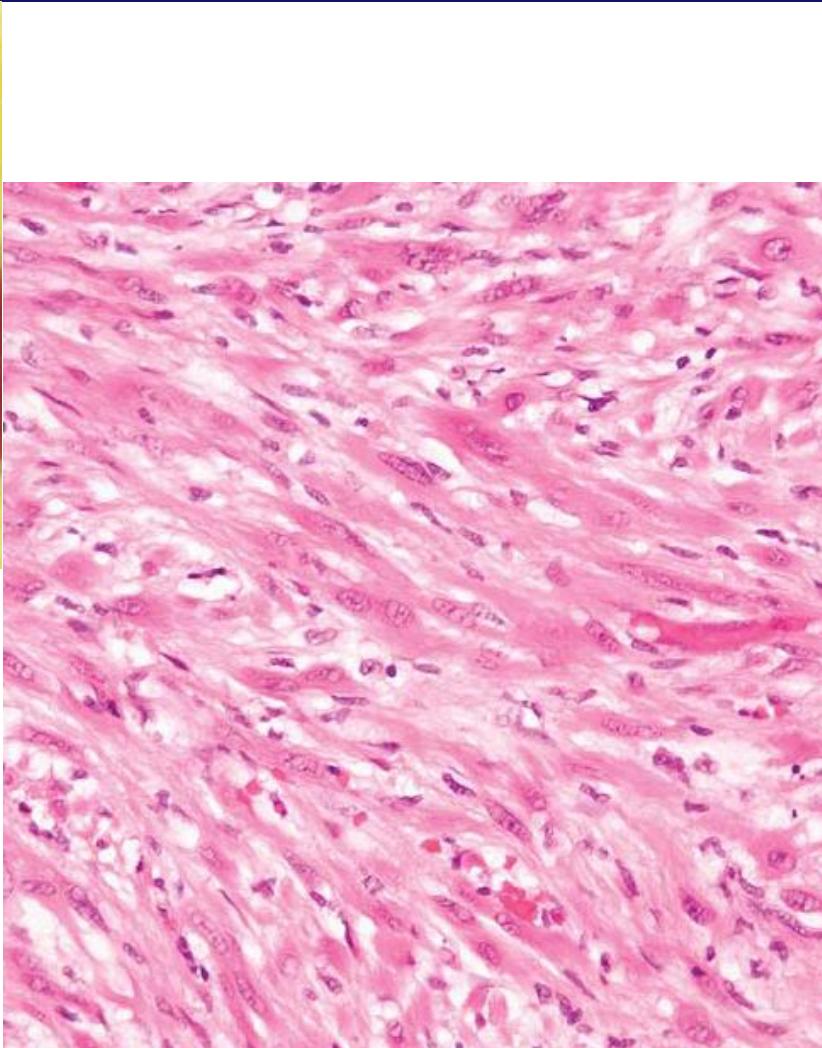
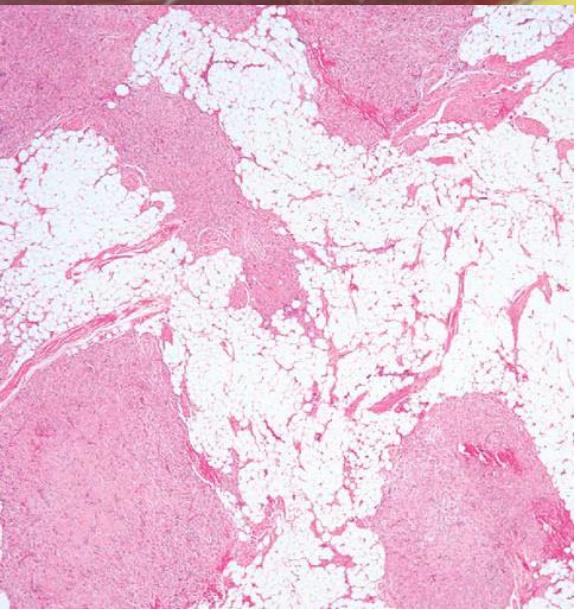
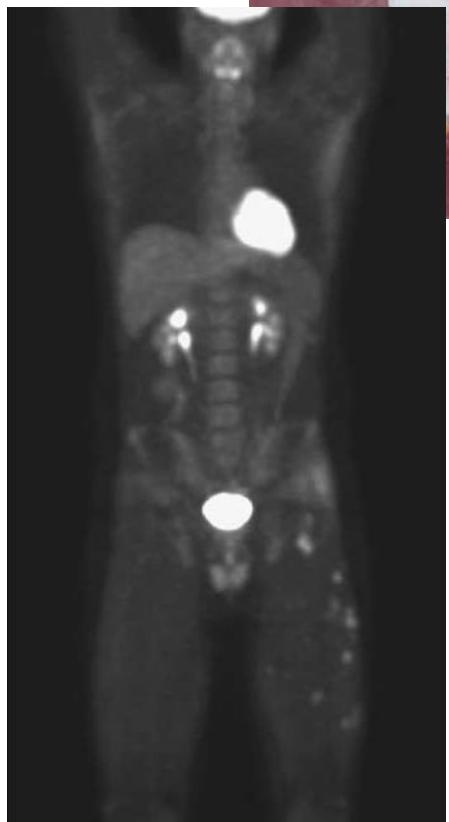


Composite haemangioendothelioma

- Admixture of histologically distinct components
- Adults, females > males
- Longstanding history, lymphedema
- Locally aggressive: recurrences up to 10 years
- Rarely metastasizing: lymph node metastases

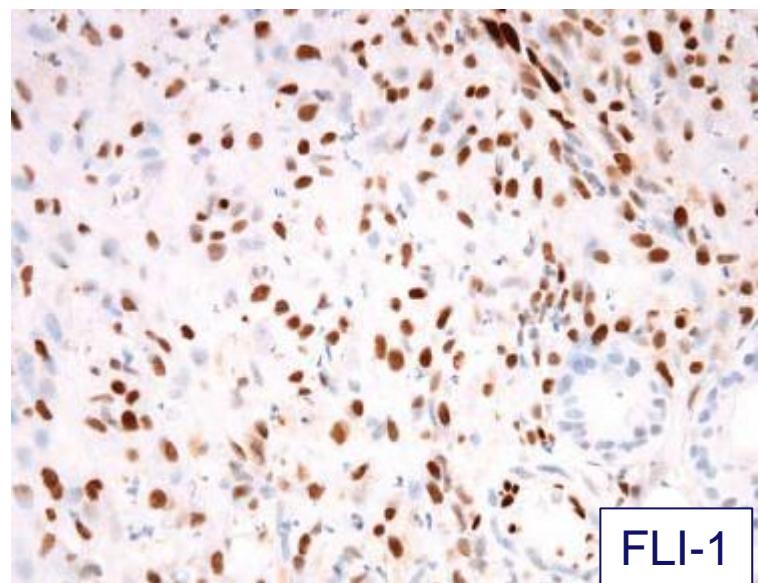
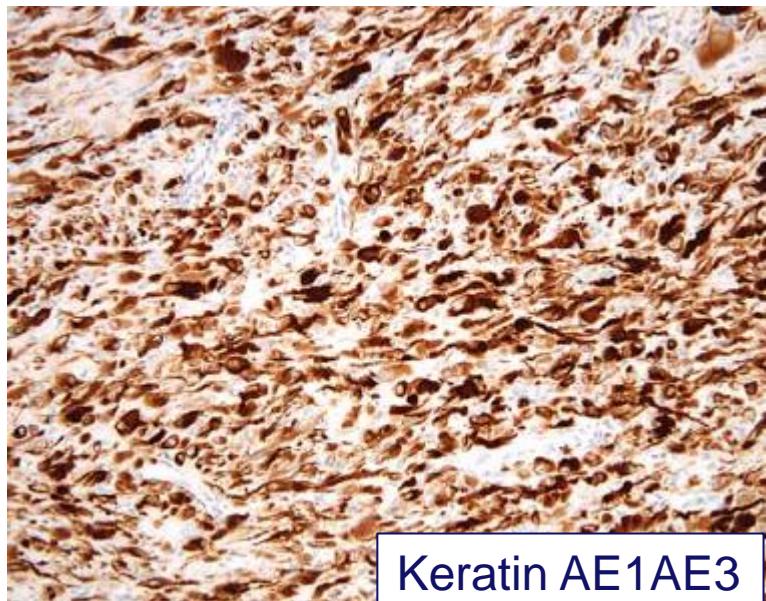


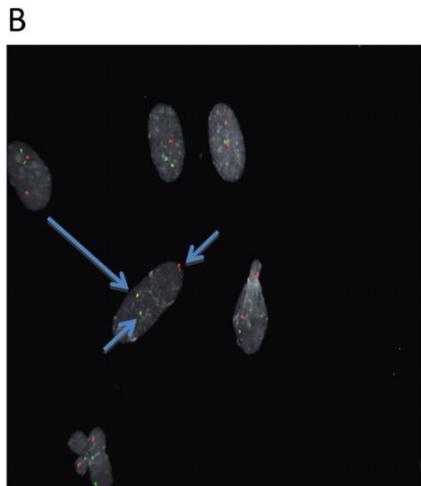
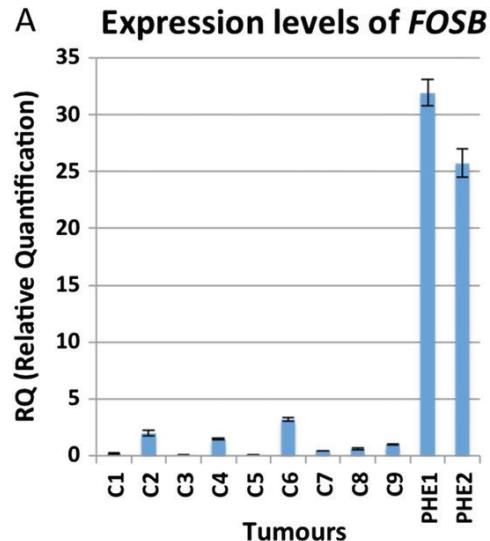
- Young adult males
- Lower extremity
- 66% multifocal: multiple discontiguous nodules in different tissue planes
 - Cutis and subcutis
 - 50% intramuscular
 - 20% lytic bone lesions
- Histologically resembling epithelioid sarcoma or a myoid tumor



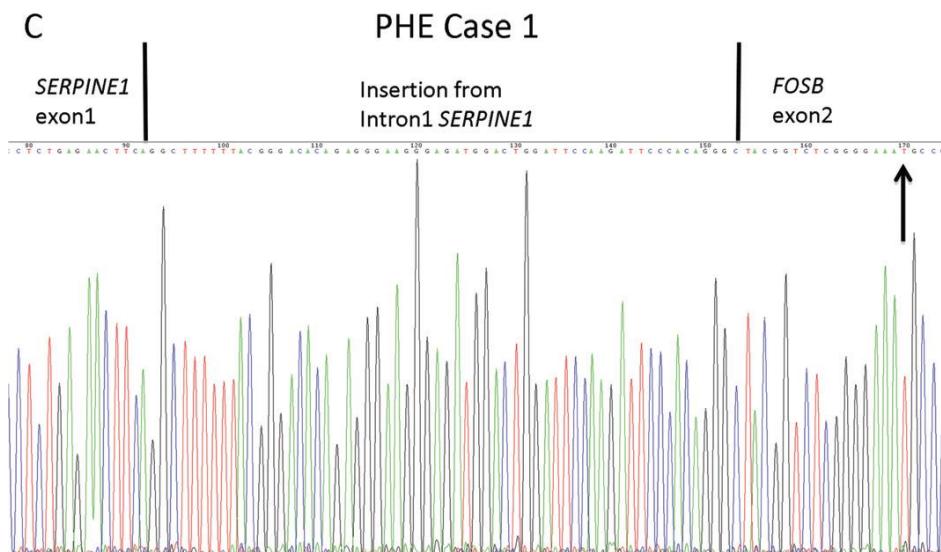
Pseudomyogenic Haemangioendothelioma

- Diffuse expression of Keratin AE1, ERG and FLI1
- CD34, desmin negative
- CD31 in 50%
- Retention of INI1





- t(7;19)(q22;q13) in 2 cases
- SERPINE1–FOSB fusion in 8/8 cases

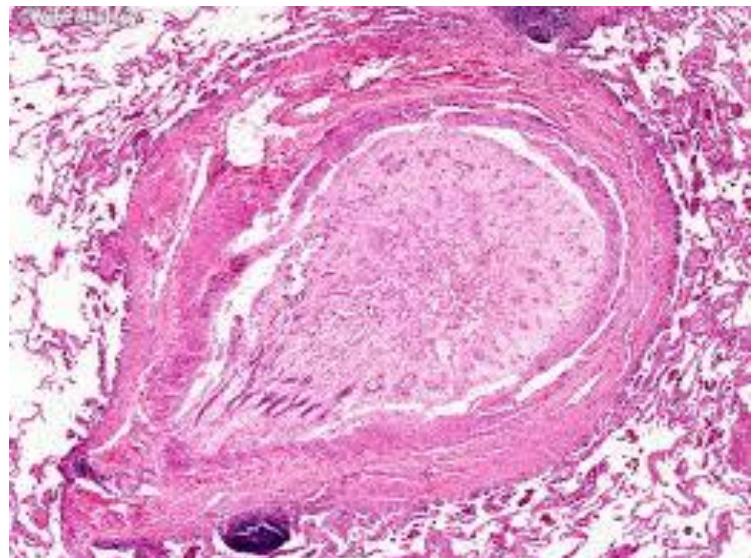


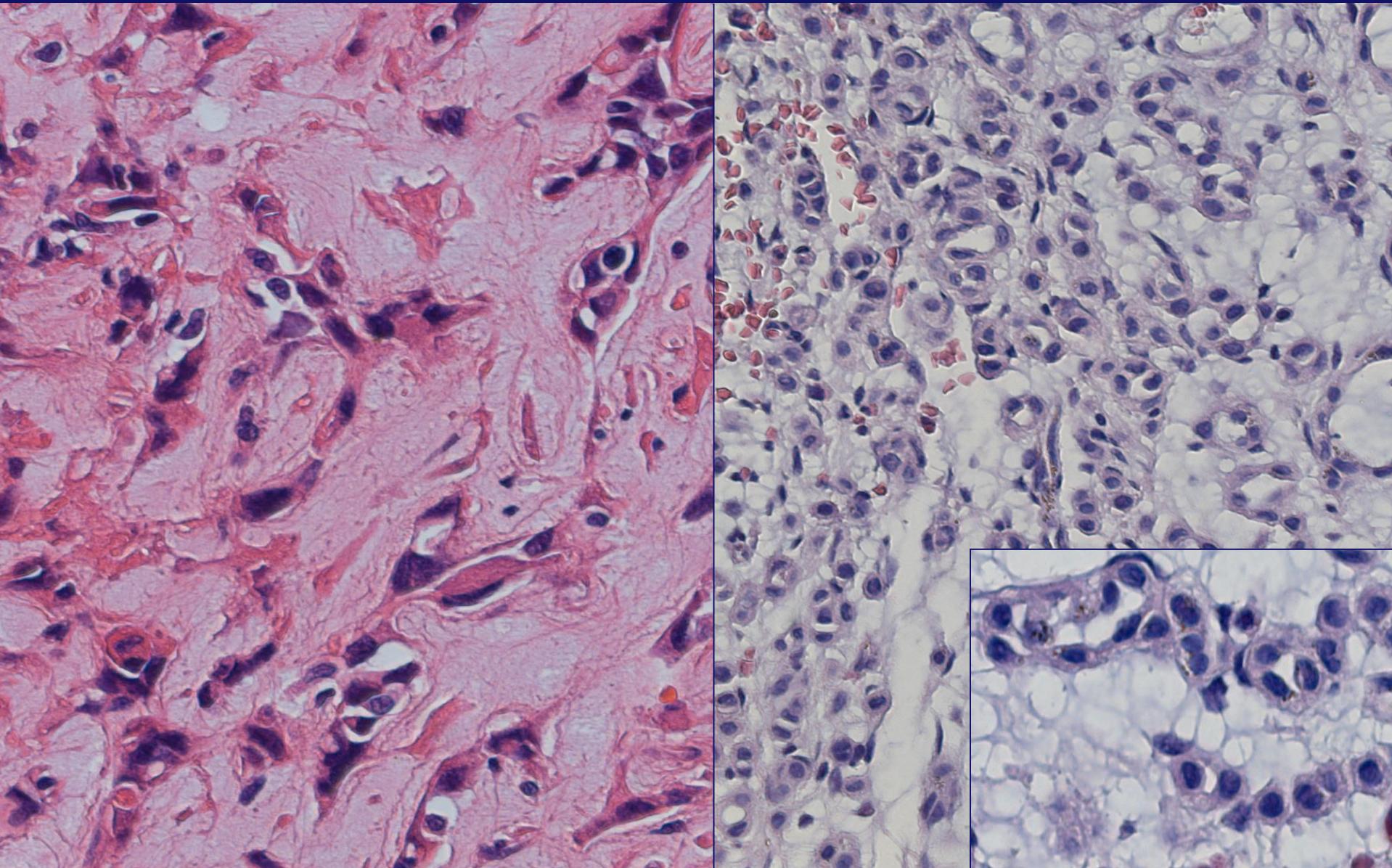


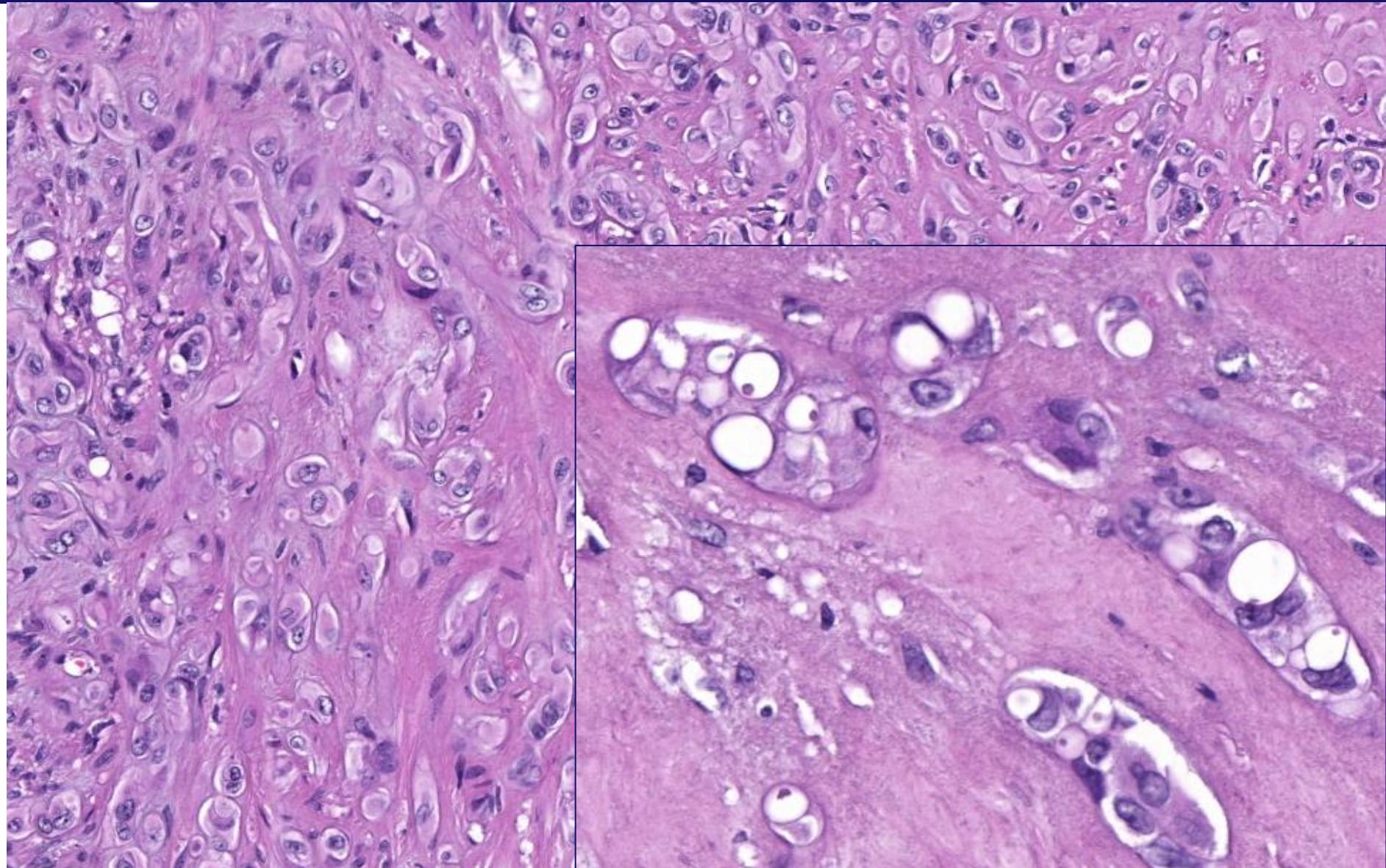
- **60 patients reported:**
 - Surgical excision
 - Locally aggressive: 60% local recurrence / additional lesions, usually within 1-2 years
 - Rarely metastasizing: 1 lymph node and 2 late distant metastases out of 60 patients
- **WHO: intermediate, rarely metastasizing**

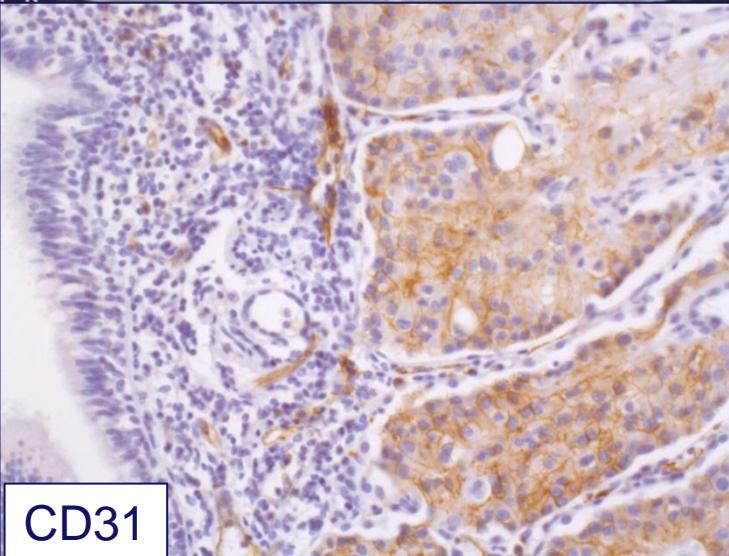
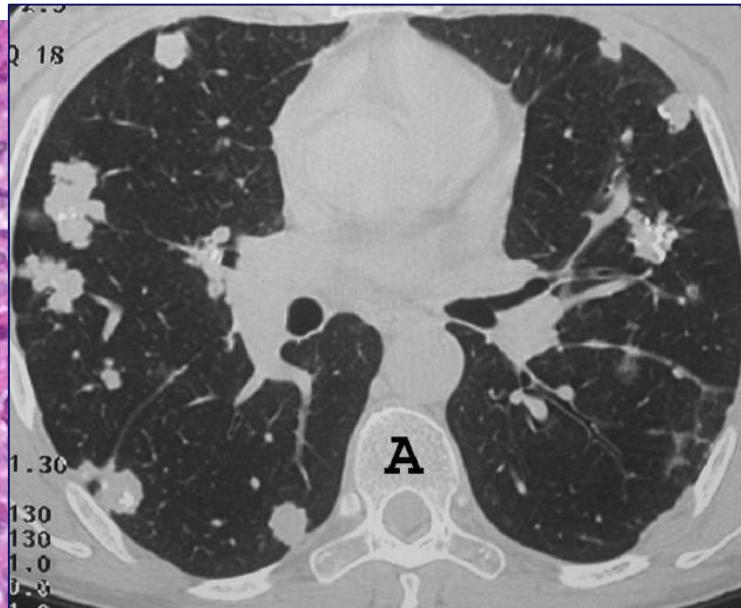
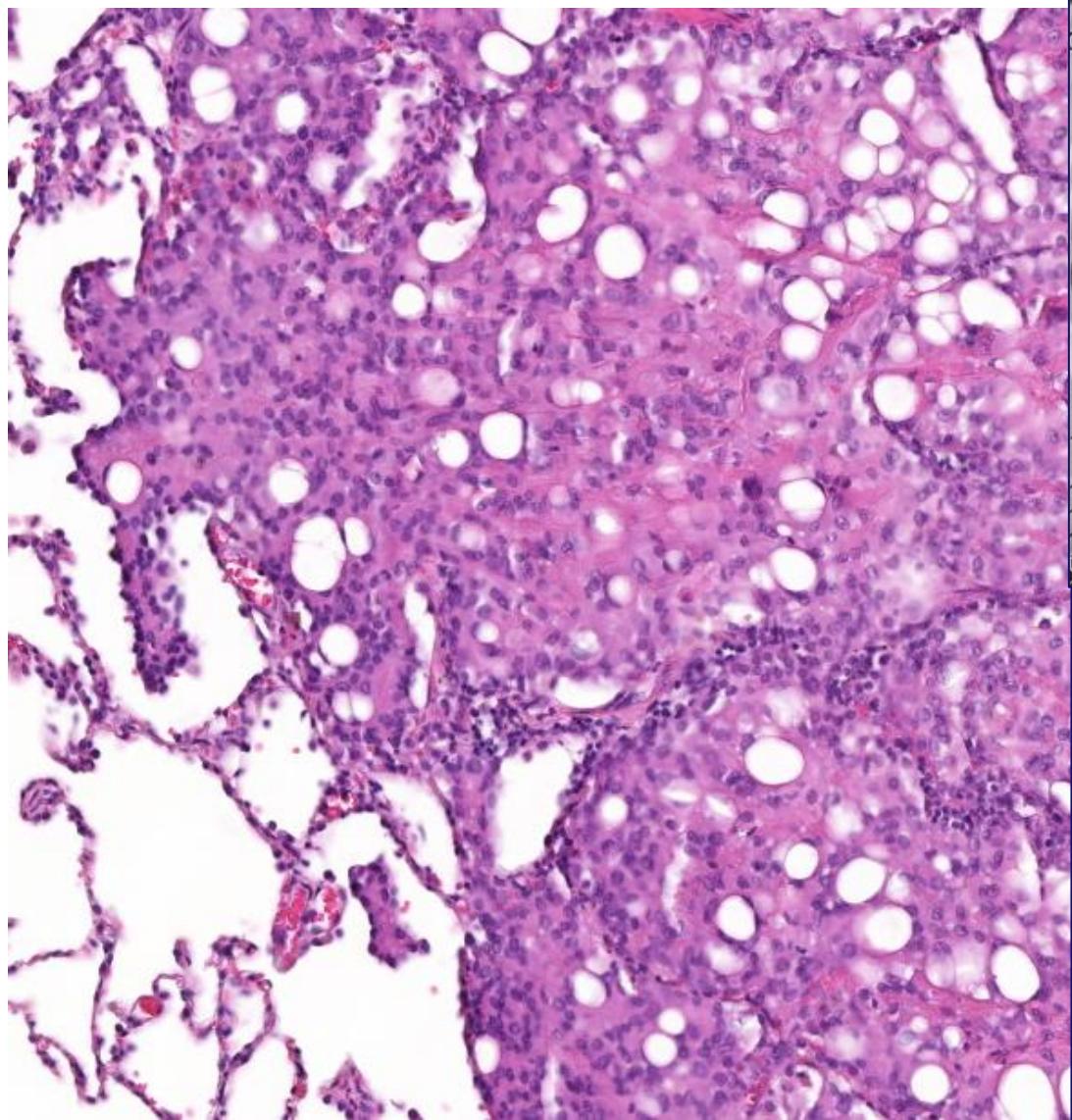
Epithelioid haemangioendothelioma

- Wide age range, most common after 2nd decade
- Malignant
- 50% multifocal, esp lung, bone, liver (monoclonal)
- Propensity for angiocentric growth

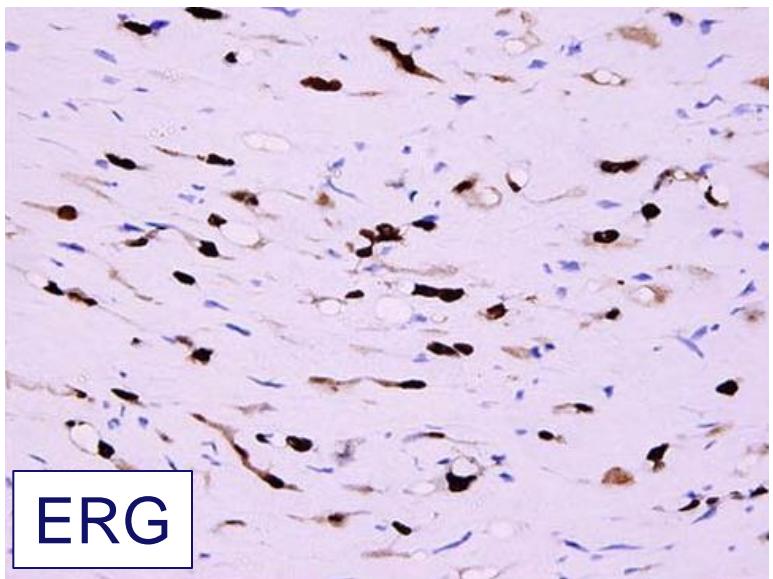






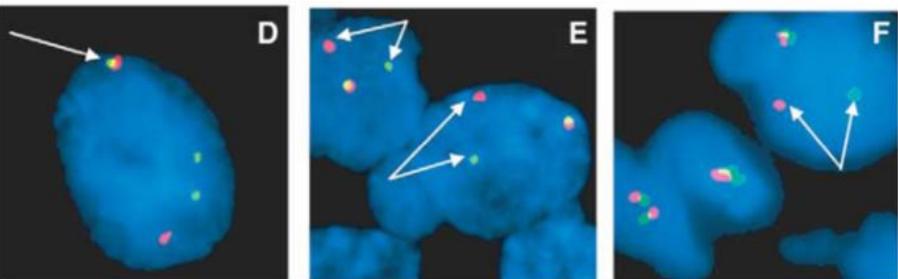
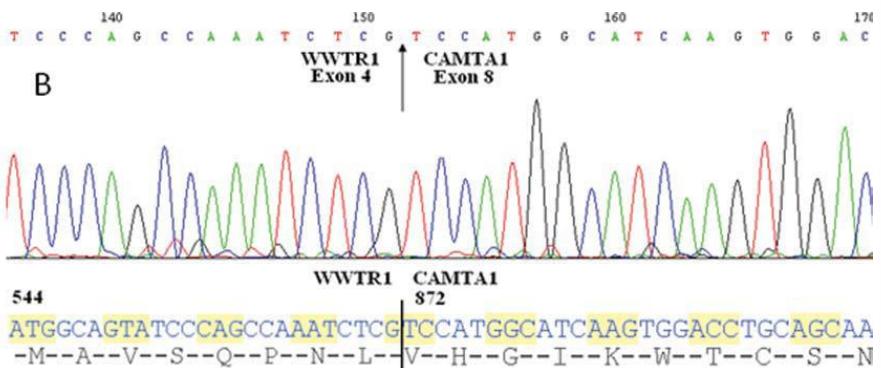
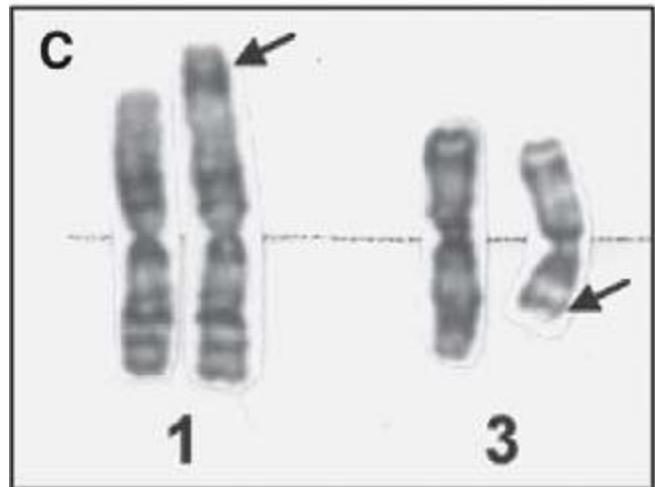


- CD31 **100%**
- CD34 **85%**
- FLI1 **100%**
- ERG **98%**
- Keratin **25-38%**
- D2-40 **54%**
- Prox1 **47%**
- Claudin-5 **88%**



WWTR1-CAMTA1 fusion in EHE

t(1;3)(p36;q25) in 89-100%



G	WWTR1		CAMTA1	
	Positive /total	%	Positive /total	%
Epithelioid hemangioendothelioma	42/47	89%	39/45	87%
Angiosarcoma, NOS	0/42	0%	0/39	0%
Epithelioid angiomyxoma	0/7	0%	0/7	0%
Intimal sarcoma	0/5	0%	0/3	0%
Kaposi's sarcoma	0/4	0%	0/4	0%
Malignant hemangioendothelioma, NOS	0/1	0%	0/1	0%
Retiform hemangioendothelioma	0/1	0%	0/1	0%
Kaposiform hemangioendothelioma	0/3	0%	0/2	0%
Epithelioid hemangioma	0/5	0%	0/4	0%
Arteriovenous malformation	0/2	0%	0/2	0%
Angiomatosis	0/1	0%	0/1	0%
Hemangioma, NOS	0/3	0%	0/3	0%
Capillary/pyogenic hemangioma	0/5	0%	0/5	0%
Cavernous hemangioma	0/5	0%	0/5	0%
Juvenile hemangioma	0/1	0%	0/1	0%
Spindle cell hemangioma	0/4	0%	0/4	0%
Synovial hemangioma	0/1	0%	0/1	0%
Intramuscular hemangioma	0/6	0%	0/5	0%
Littoral cell hemangioma	0/6	0%	0/2	0%
Malignant hemangiopericytoma	0/1	0%	0/1	0%
Hemangiopericytoma, NOS	0/1	0%	0/1	0%
Sinonasal hemangiopericytoma	0/1	0%	0/1	0%
Glomus tumor	0/1	0%	0/1	0%
Atypical glomus tumor	0/2	0%	0/2	0%
Lymphangioma	0/7	0%	0/7	0%
Lymphangioleiomyomatosis	0/1	0%	0/1	0%
Papillary endothelial hyperplasia	0/2	0%	0/2	0%
Total cases	165		151	

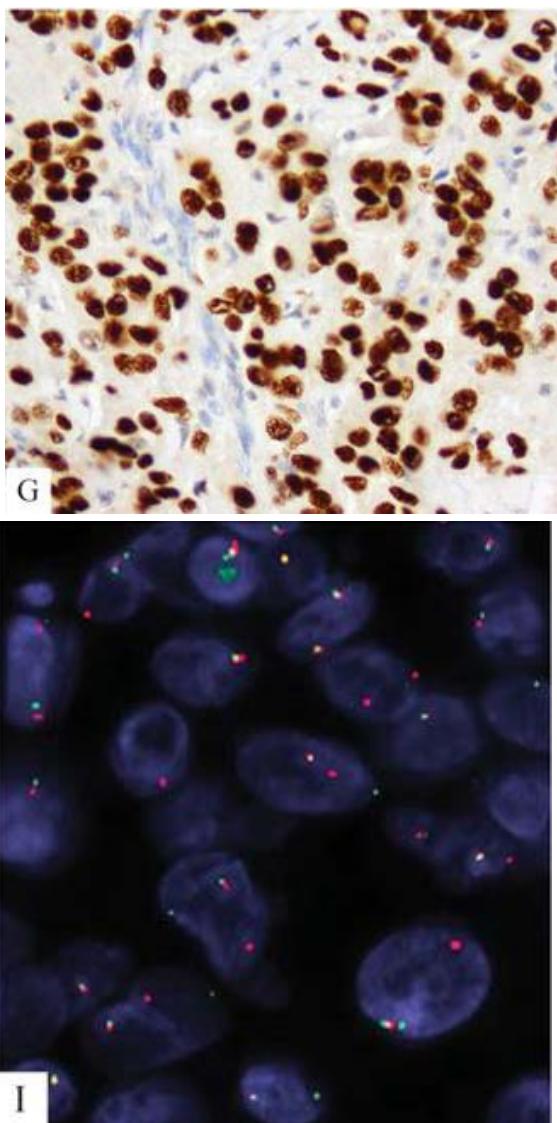
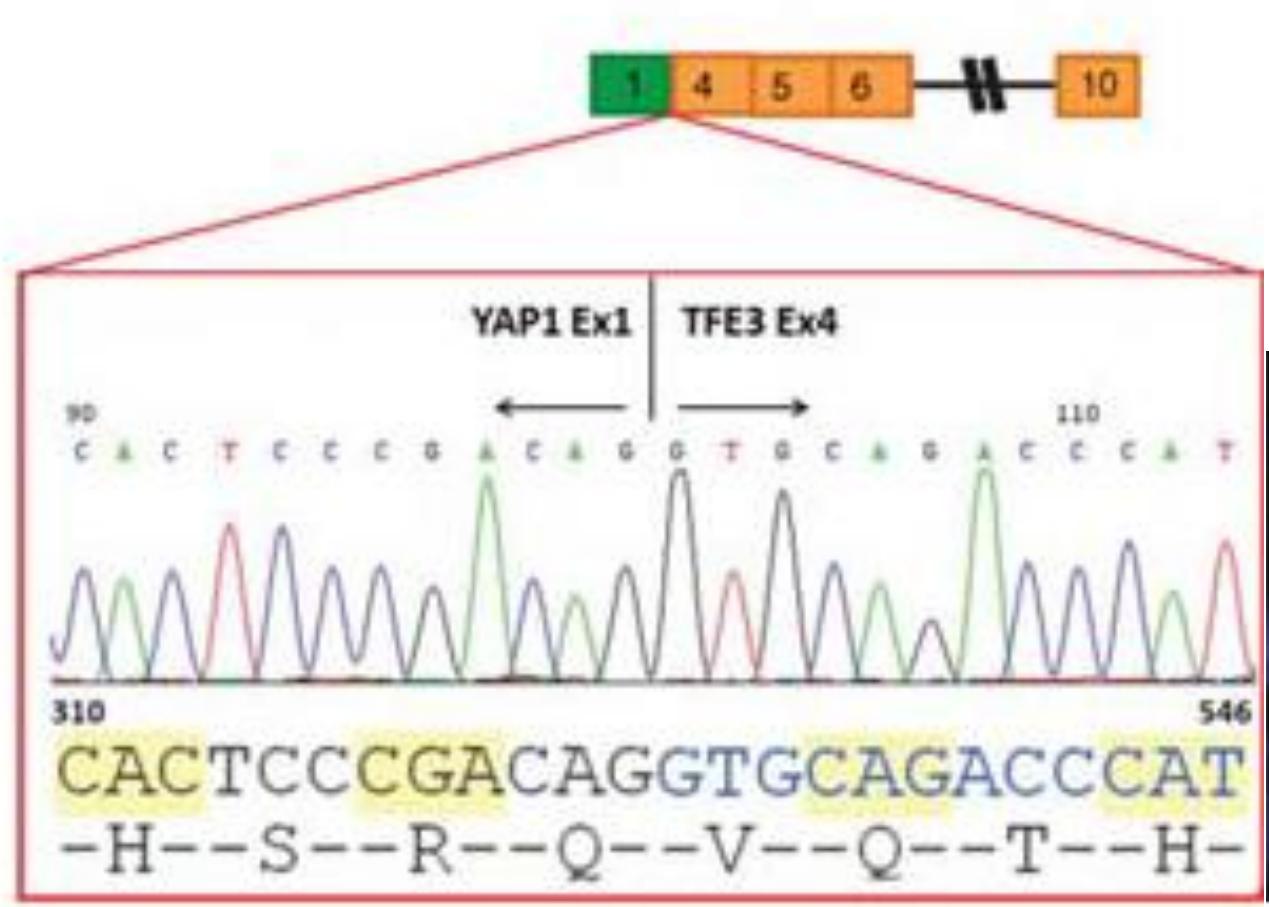


- **Variable clinical behaviour: OS 5 yrs 73%**

- Most are indolent
- 20-30% metastasize
- 15% mortality

- **Risk stratification**

- >3 cm, >3 mit/50 HPF 5 yr survival 59%, metastatic rate 32%
- <3 cm, <3 mit/50 HPF 5 yr survival 100%

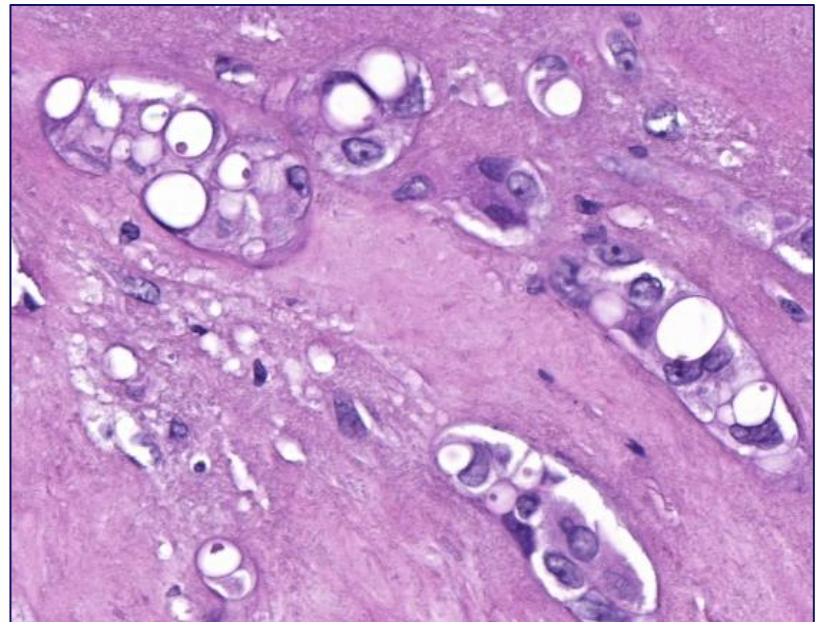
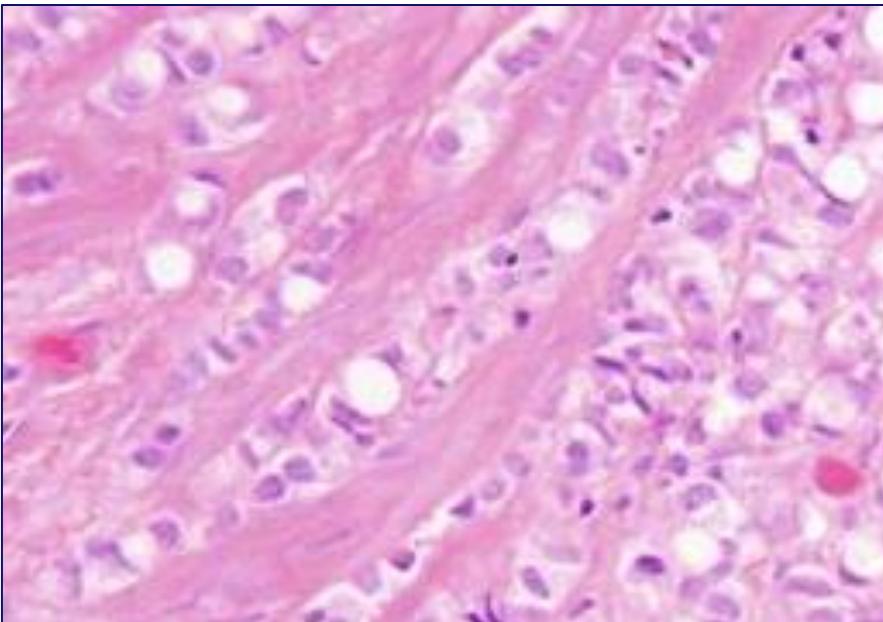




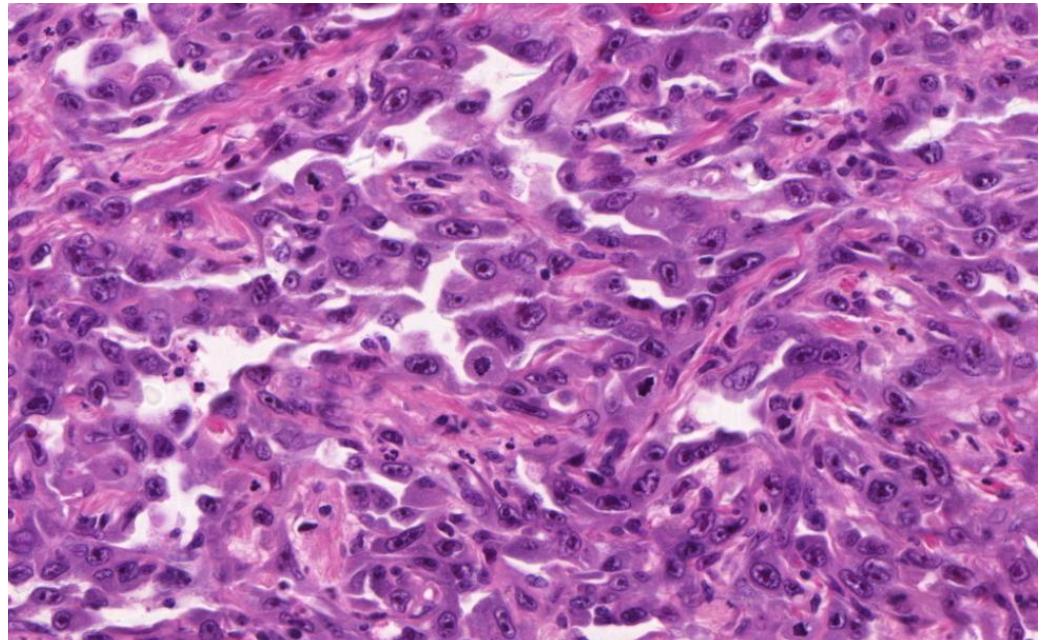
- **Wide surgical resection if possible**
- **Evaluation of regional lymph nodes**
- **Liver transplantation for multifocal liver disease**
- **Systemic therapy: poorly studied**
 - Anti-angiogenic agents
 - *phase II bevacizumab seven patients: two PR (29 %), four SD (57 %), and one PD (14 %)*
 - *Phase II sorafenib, progressive EHE: four of 13 SD, two PR*
- **Problem in evaluating therapy: highly variable growth rate of the tumor**
- **MET inhibitor in TFE3 rearranged EHE?**

EHE; differential diagnosis

- **Epithelioid hemangioma**
 - Stroma in EHE: myxochondroid or dense sclerotic
 - More mature vessels with open lumina in EH
- **Metastatic carcinoma**
- **Epithelioid angiosarcoma**



- 7th decade, male > female
- Any part of the body, esp head and neck, also visceral
- Highly aggressive
- Primary and secondary to radiation
- Different molecular subtypes



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