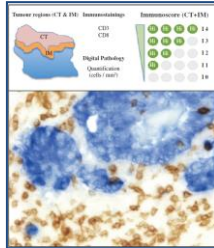
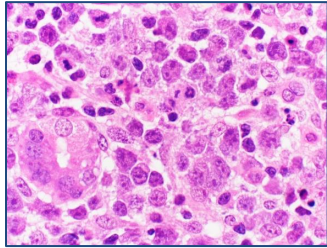


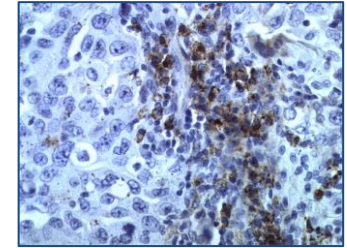
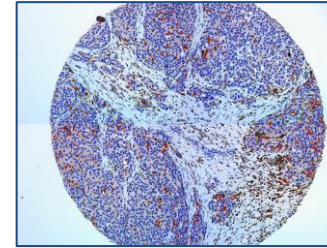
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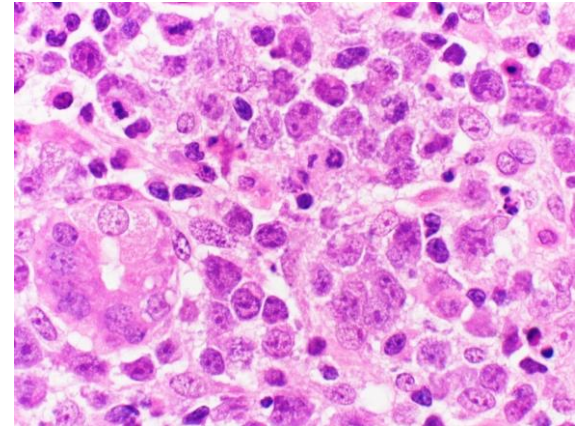
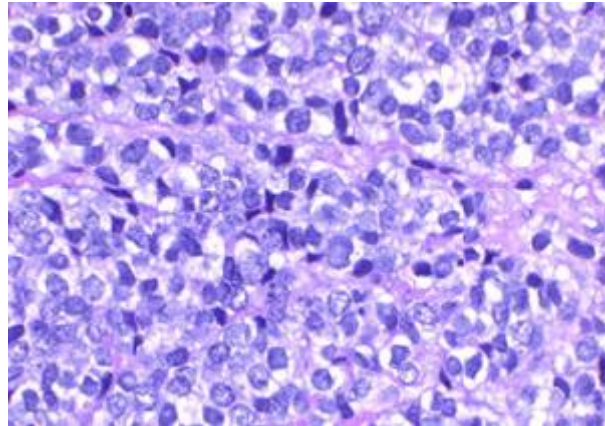
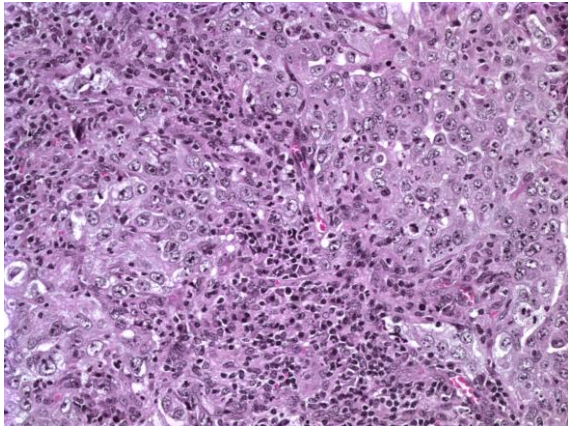


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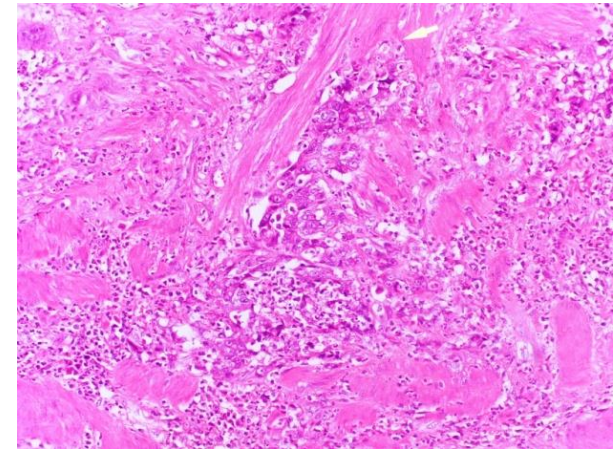
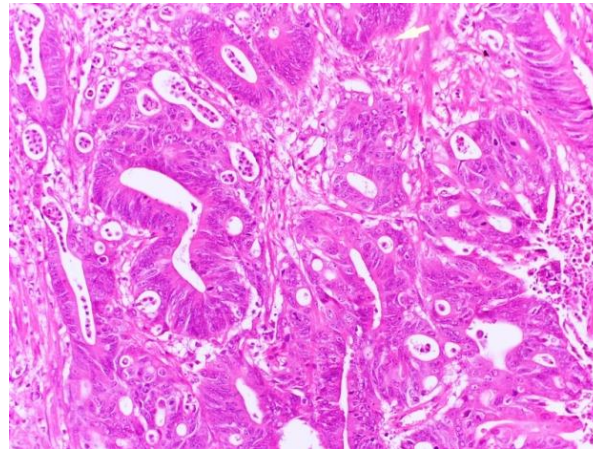
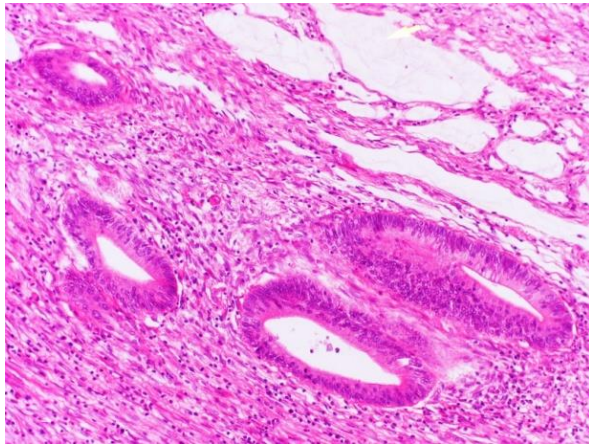
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## OPINION

# Has the new TNM classification for colorectal cancer improved care?

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*Iris D. Nagtegaal, Phil Quirke and Hans-Joachim Schmoll*

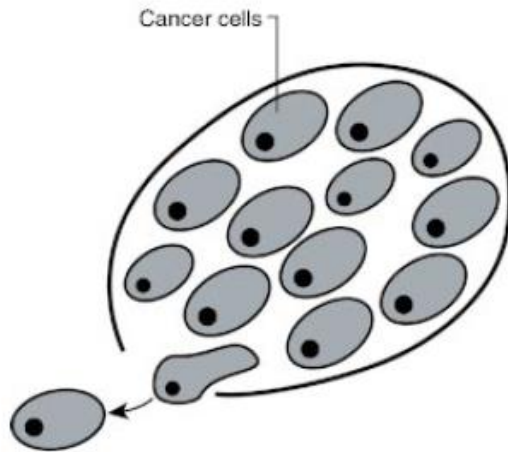
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Nagtegaal, I. D. *et al. Nat. Rev. Clin. Oncol.* **9**, 119–123 (2012); published online 18 October 2011;  
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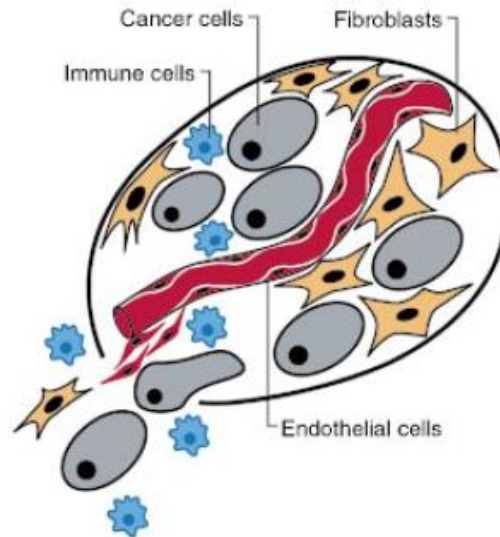


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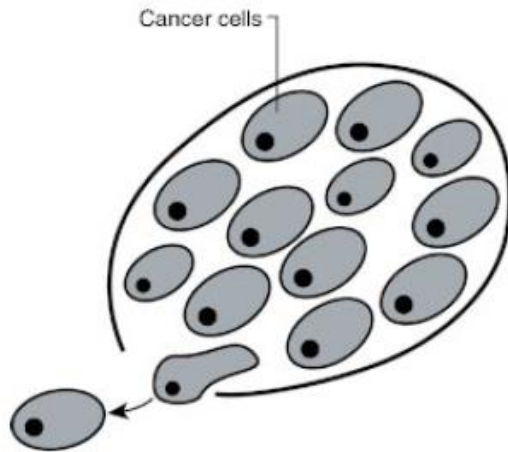
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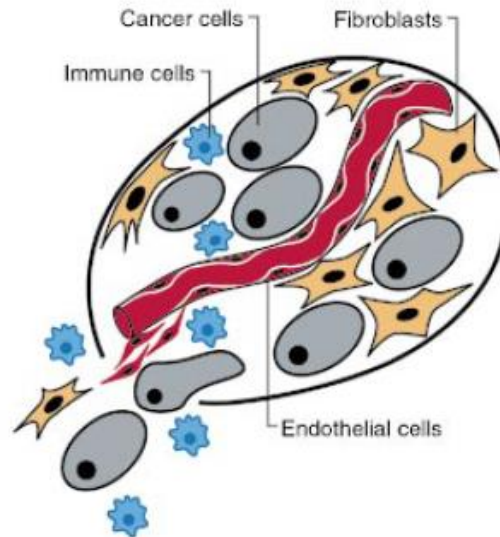
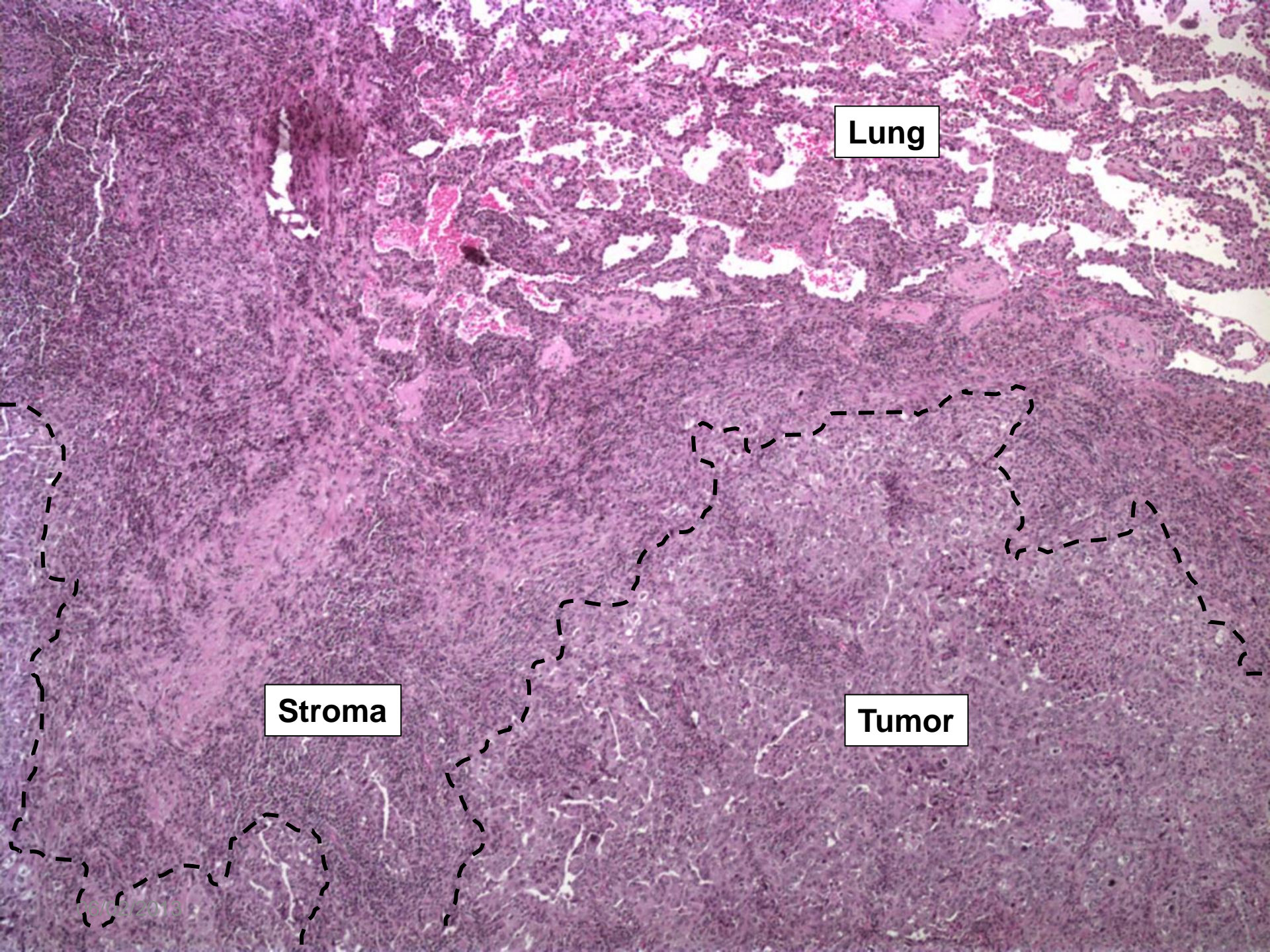


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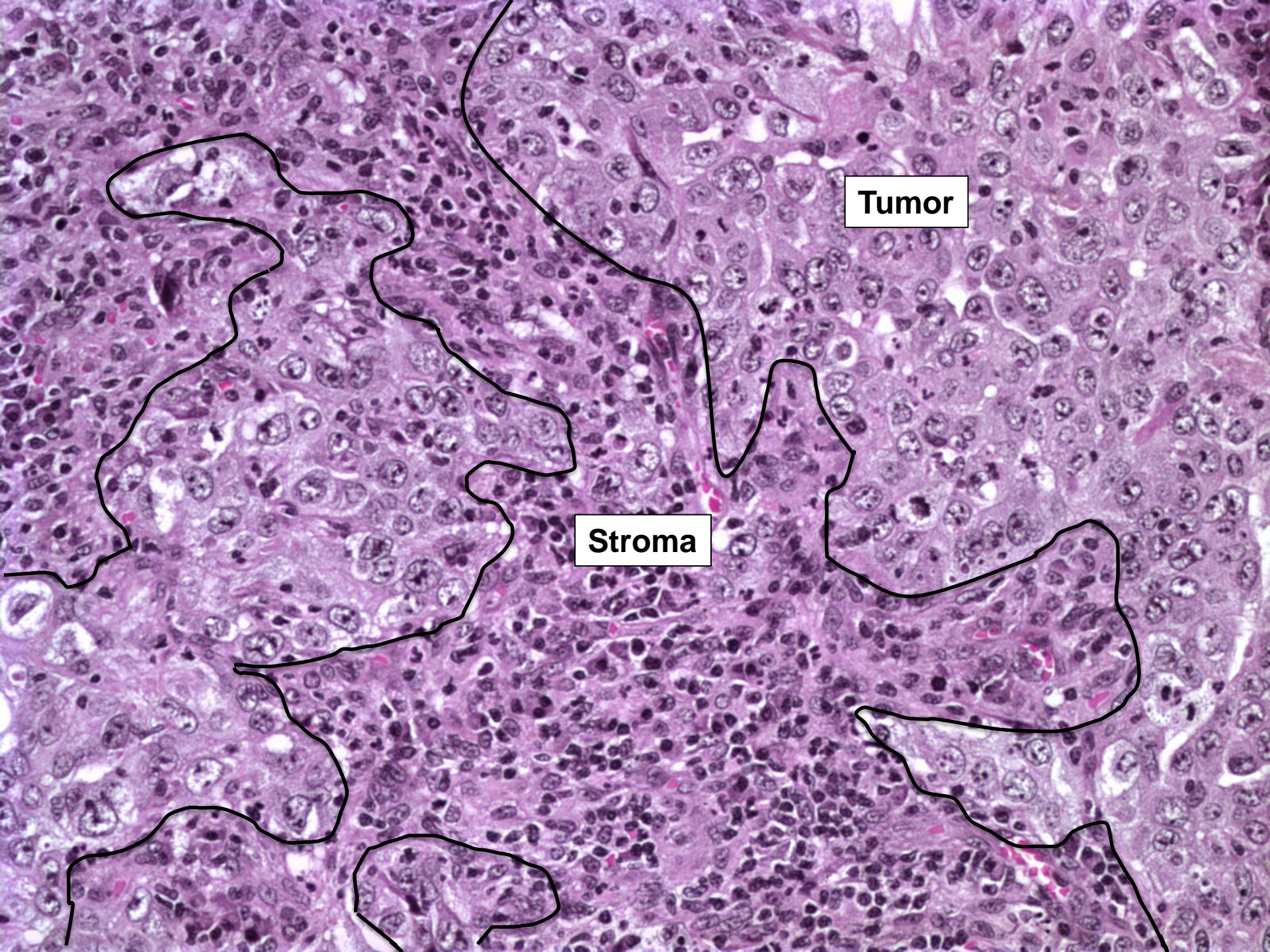


Lung

Stroma

Tumor





**Tumor**

**Stroma**





A histological section of a tumor, likely stained with hematoxylin and eosin (H&E). The image shows a dense population of cells with varying nuclear sizes and shapes, some with prominent nucleoli. The tissue is divided into two main regions by a black outline: the 'Tumor' region, which is more cellular and disorganized, and the 'Stroma' region, which is less cellular and more fibrous. A red box highlights a 'Complex milieu' within the stroma, listing various components like endothelial cells, blood/lymph vessels, fibroblasts, chemokines/cytokines, products of metabolism, and immune cells. The overall appearance is that of a malignant neoplasm with a reactive stromal response.

**Tumor**

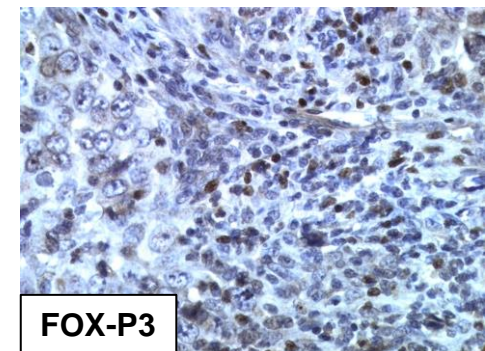
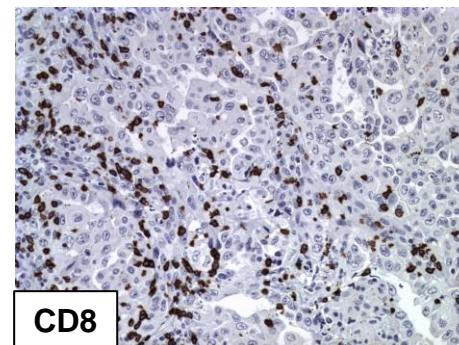
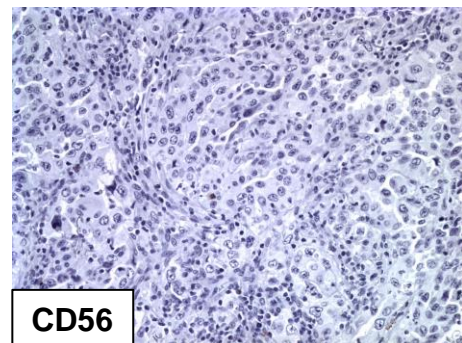
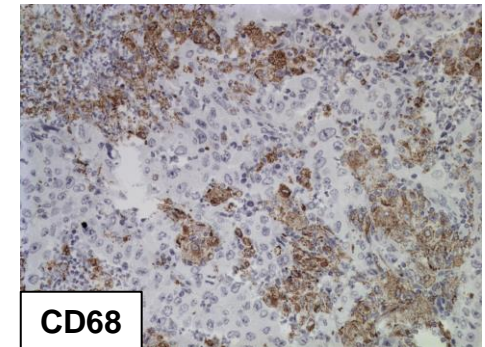
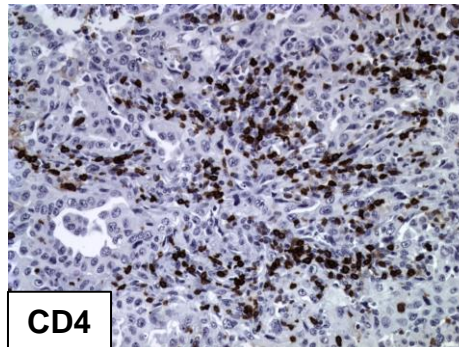
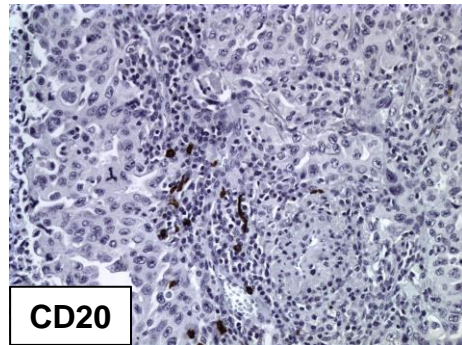
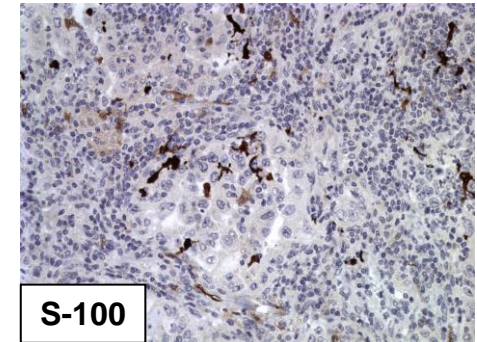
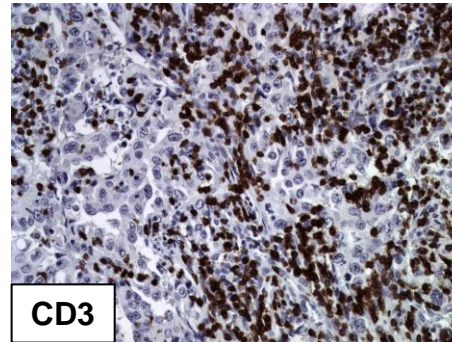
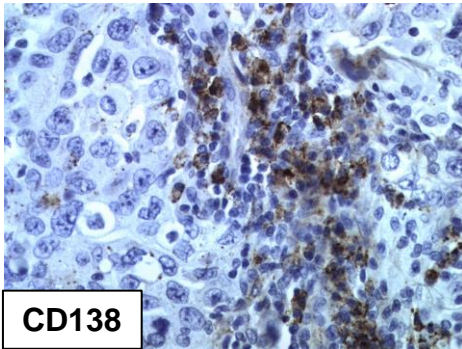
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**Complex milieu:**

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## NSCLC immune infiltrates comprises many different cell types





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...and may be for the prediction of the efficacy of immunotherapies

# 1. Oncogenesis proceeds in the context of continuous interactions with immunosurveillance

3Es= equilibrium, editing, escape

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## **IFN $\gamma$ and lymphocytes prevent primary tumour development and shape tumour immunogenicity**

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Lymphocytes were originally thought to form the basis of a ‘cancer immunosurveillance’ process that protects immunocompetent hosts against primary tumour development<sup>1,2</sup>, but this idea was largely abandoned when no differences in primary tumour development were found between athymic nude mice and syngeneic wild-type mice<sup>3–5</sup>. However, subsequent observations that nude mice do not completely lack functional T cells<sup>6,7</sup> and that two components of the immune system—IFN $\gamma$ <sup>8,9</sup> and perforin<sup>10–12</sup>—help to prevent tumour formation in mice have led to renewed interest in a tumour-suppressor role for the immune response. Here we show that lymphocytes and IFN $\gamma$  collaborate to protect against development of carcinogen-induced sarcomas and spontaneous epithelial carcinomas and also to select for tumour cells with reduced immunogenicity. The immune response thus functions as an effective extrinsic tumour-suppressor system. However, this process also leads to the immunoselection of tumour cells that are more capable of surviving in an immunocompetent host, which explains the apparent paradox of tumour formation in immunologically intact individuals.

2. Several immunotherapies taking advantage of the natural (spontaneous) adaptive immune responses achieved remarkable successes
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**Review**

## **Oncology Meets Immunology: The Cancer-Immunity Cycle**

Daniel S. Chen<sup>1,3</sup> and Ira Mellman<sup>2,3,\*</sup>

Immunity 39, July 25, 2013

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Michael Kalos<sup>1,\*</sup> and Carl H. June<sup>1,\*</sup>

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3. The natural (spontaneous) adaptive immune responses of cancer patients have been shown to influence their survival
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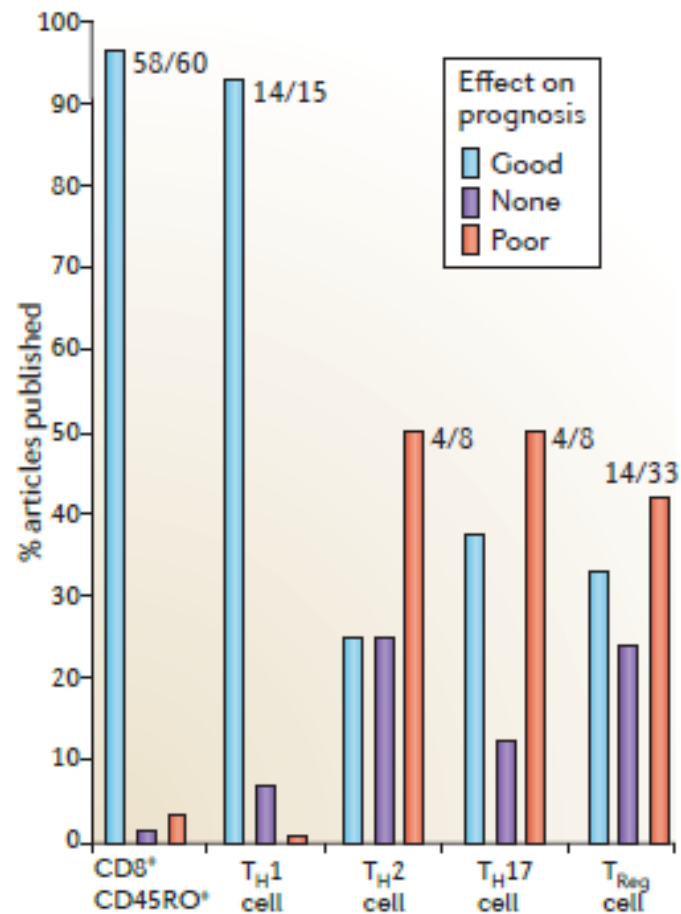
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# The immune contexture in human tumours: impact on clinical outcome

Wolf Herman Fridman, Franck Pagès, Catherine Sautès-Fridman and Jérôme Galon

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**Figure 2 | The association of immune cell infiltrates with prognosis in various types of cancer.** The analysis of 124 published articles studying the impact of cytotoxic T cells, memory T cells, regulatory T (T<sub>Reg</sub>) cells and T helper (T<sub>H</sub>) cell subpopulations with regard to prognosis of cancer patients (20 different cancer types were analysed) is represented. 'Good' means that the cell type is associated with a good prognosis, 'none' means that there was no correlation and 'poor' means that the cells are associated with a poor prognosis. Please also refer to TABLE 1 for references.

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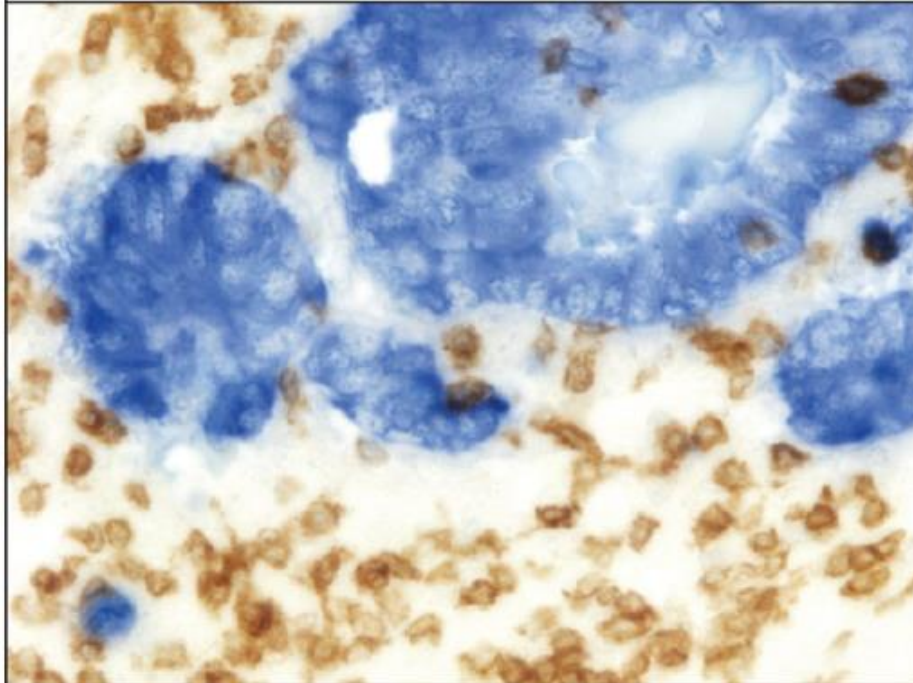
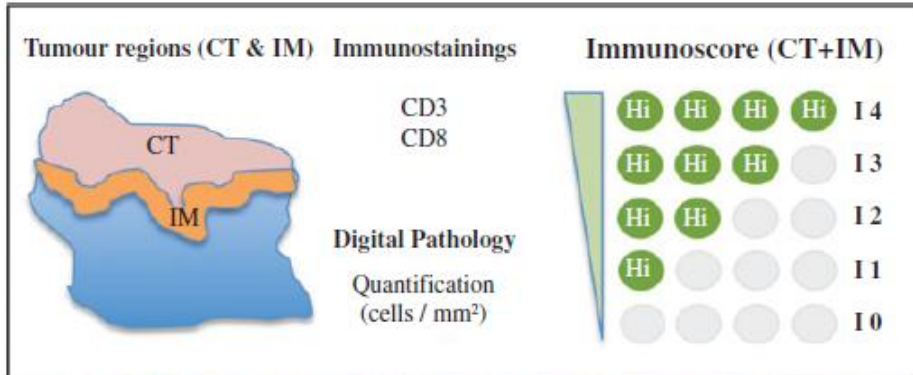










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CD3	CD8	(Hi = 1; Lo = 0)
CT:  or 	+  or 	= 0, 1, or 2
		+
IM:  or 	+  or 	= 0, 1, or 2
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Immunoscore (I) = 0, 1, 2, 3, or 4		

Cutoff (Hi vs Lo)= the minimum *p* value

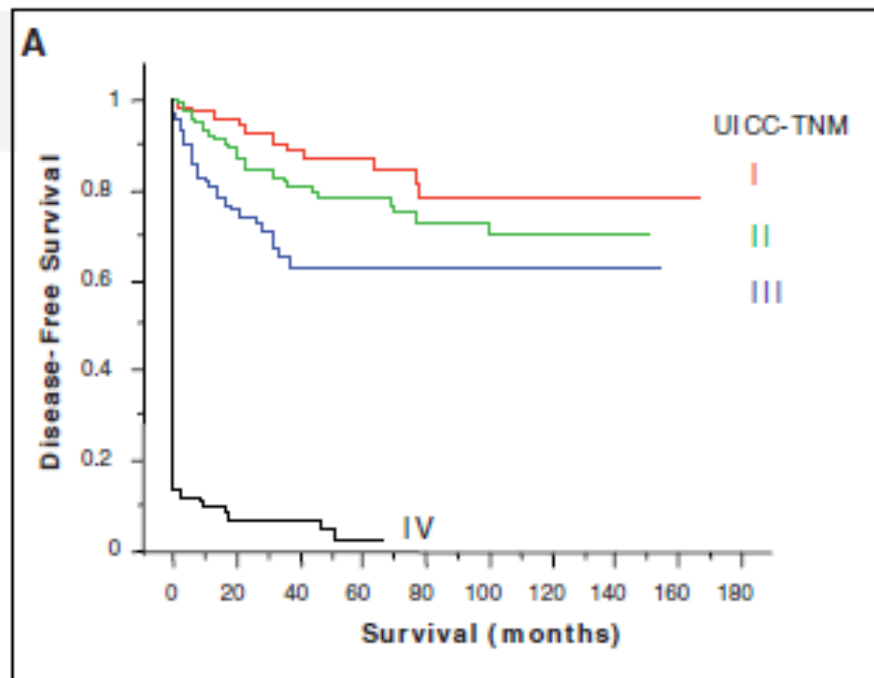


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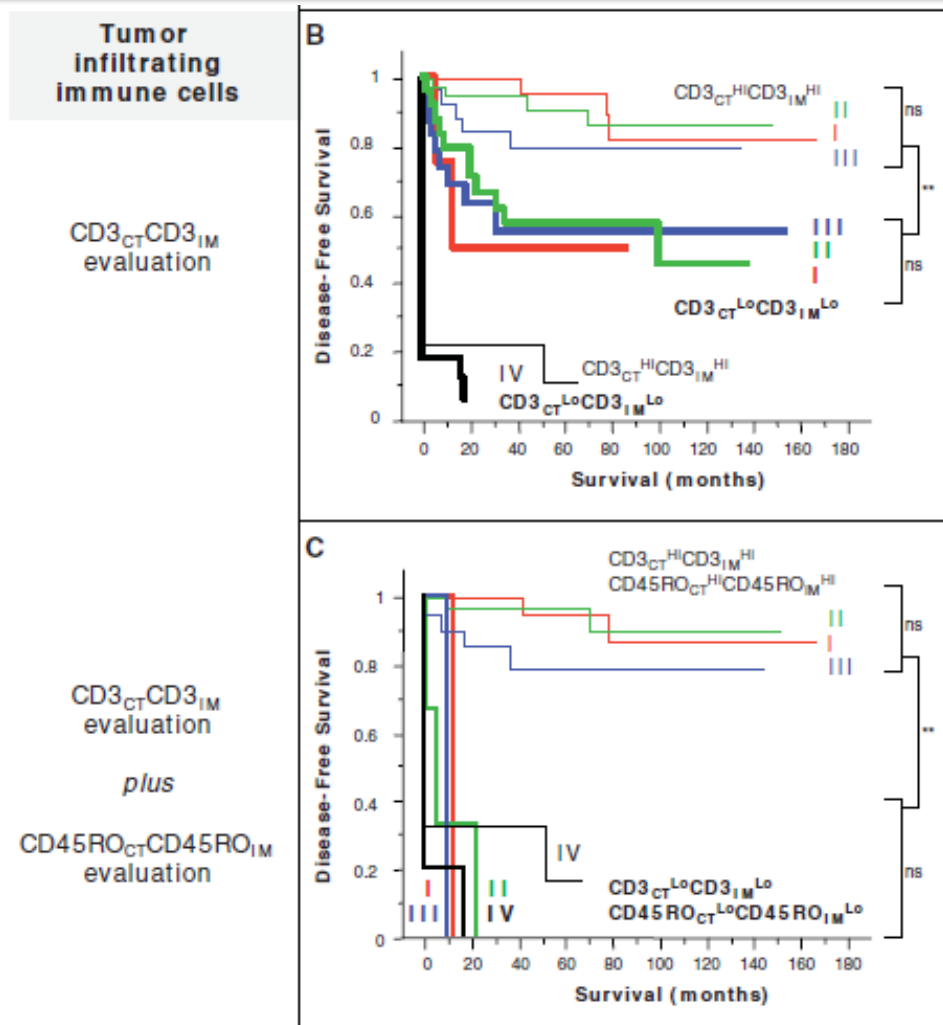
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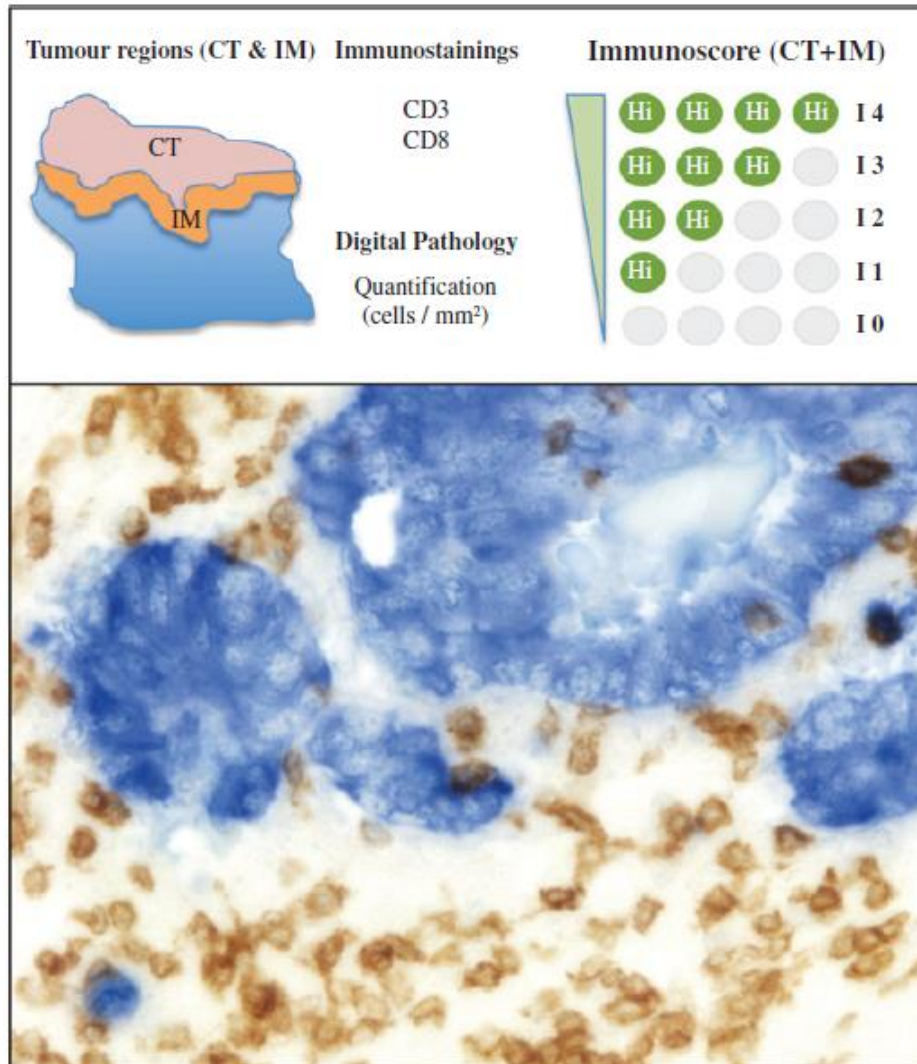


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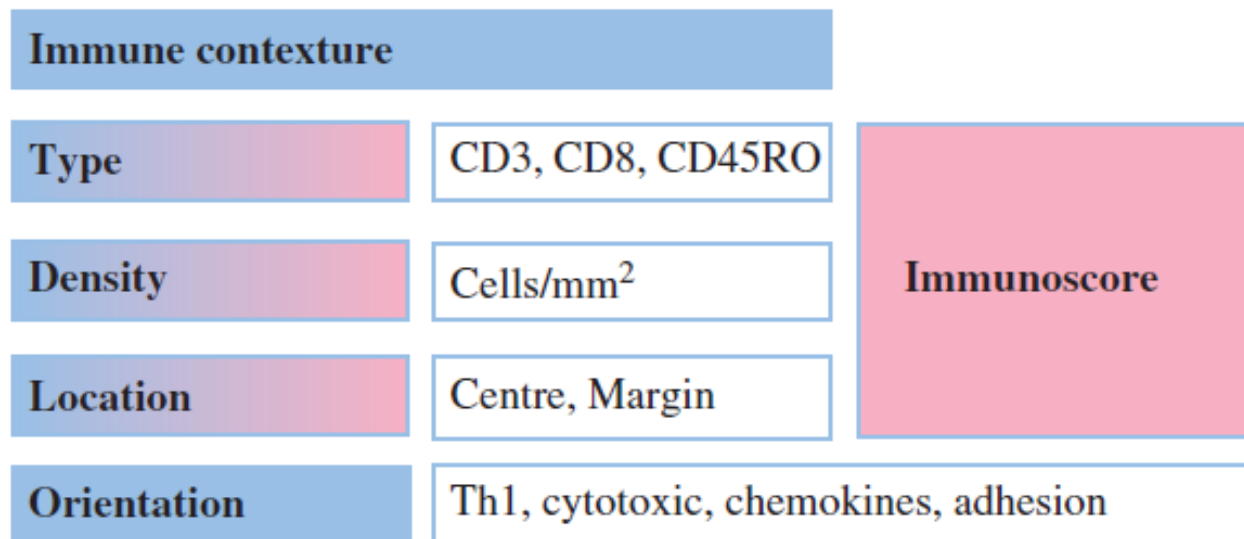
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## Good biomarker

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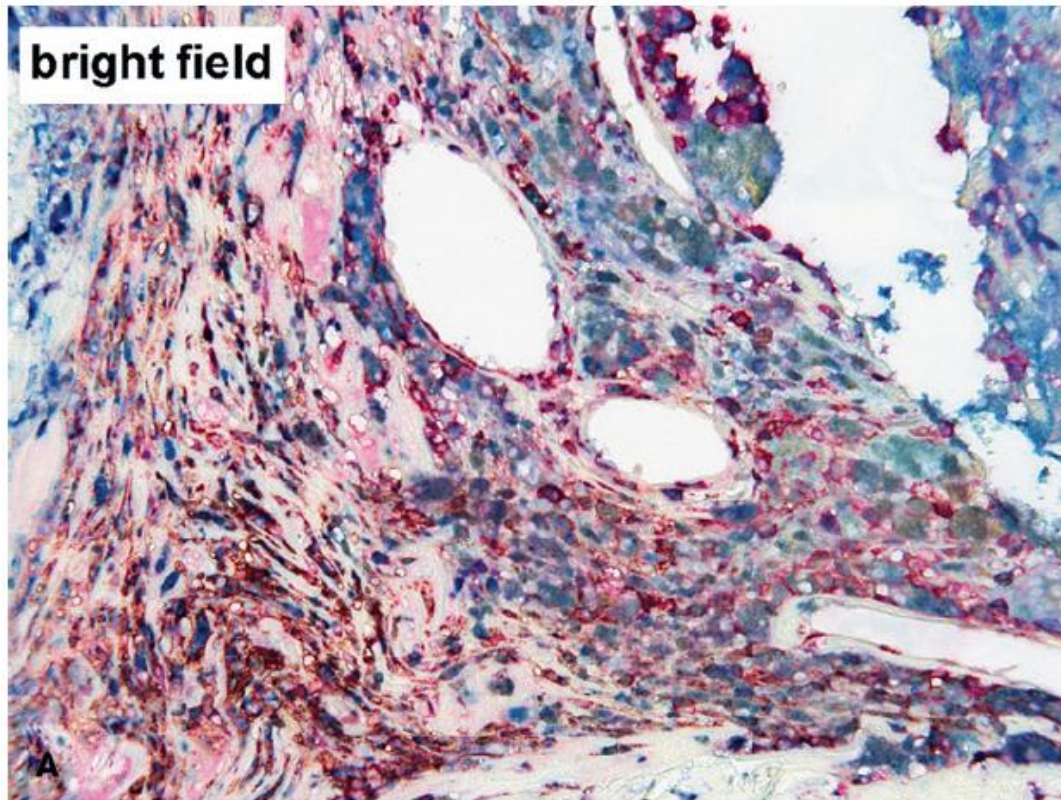


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- Gene expression profile
- TCR (BCR?) sequencing
- In situ multispectral imaging analysis

Simple and powerfull immune biomarkers

IHC is a very important tool but there are limitations inherent to this type of analysis which prevent comprehensive description of leukocytic infiltrates



CD68  
CD14  
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*van der Loos C., The journal of Histotechnology, 2010*

# Multispectral Imaging

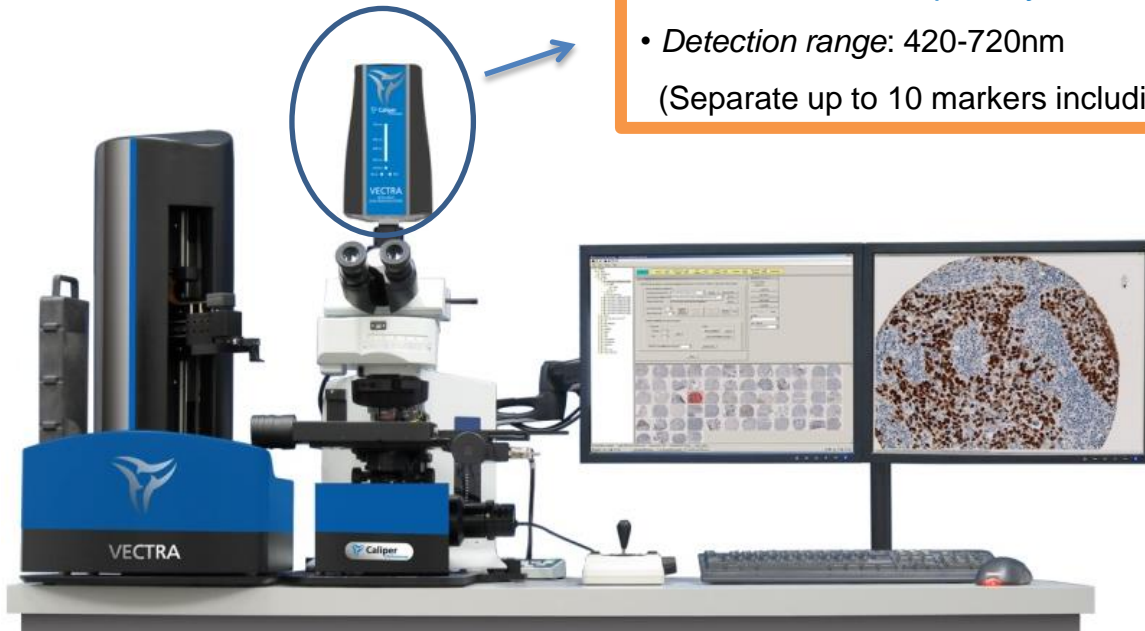
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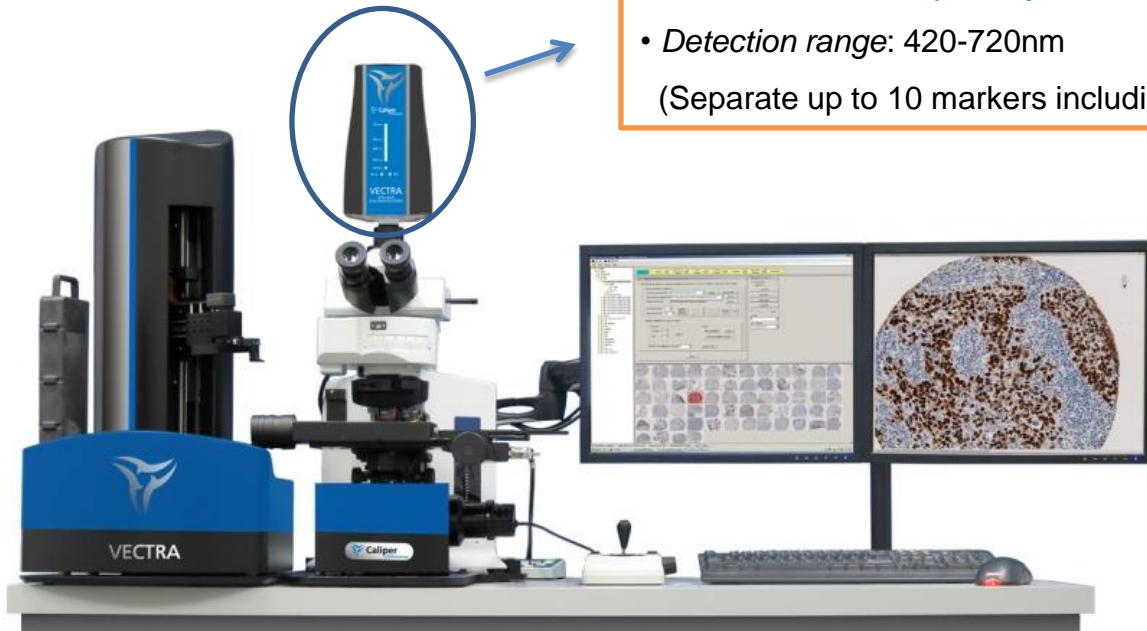
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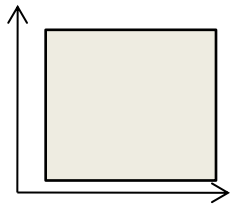
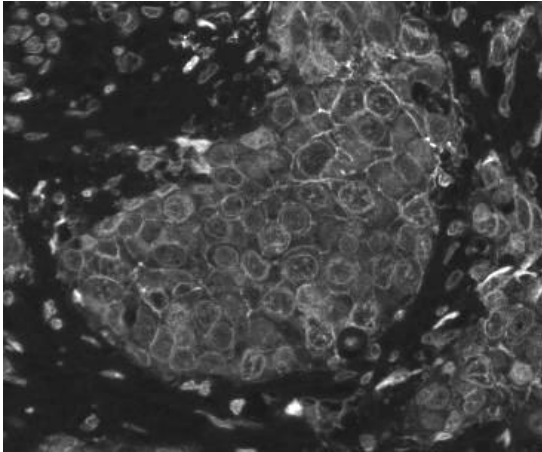
*Analysis software*

- Spectral unmixing
- Learn by examples algorithm
- Quantitative data output

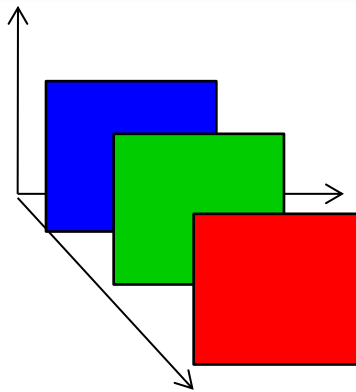
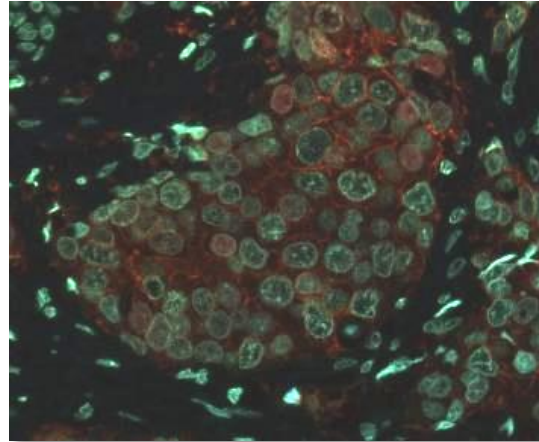


# Benefits of using multispectral imaging

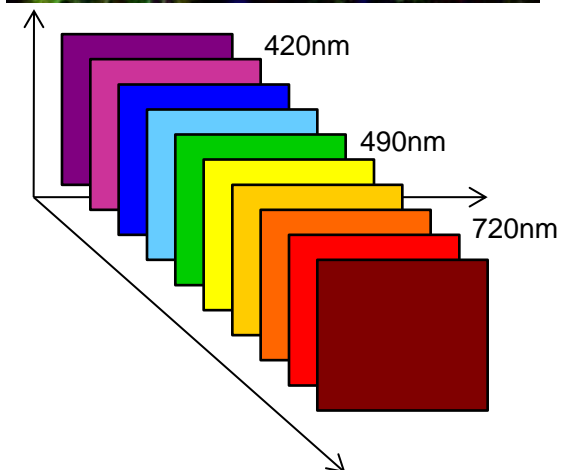
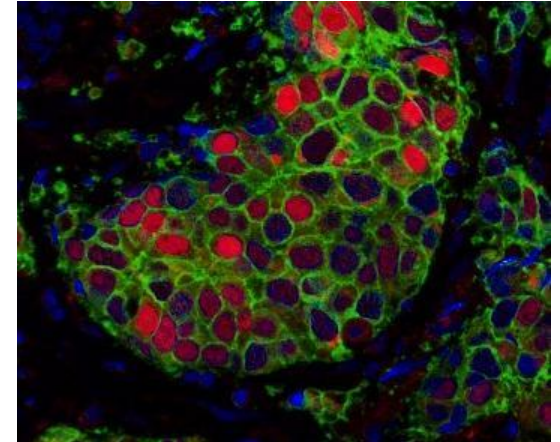
Multispectral imaging technology is used to acquire images at many wavelengths (10-30) to better determine fluorophore/stain distribution in cells or tissue



Monochrome

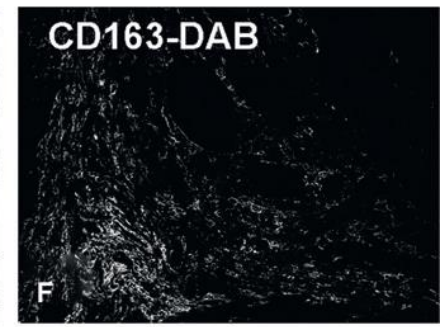
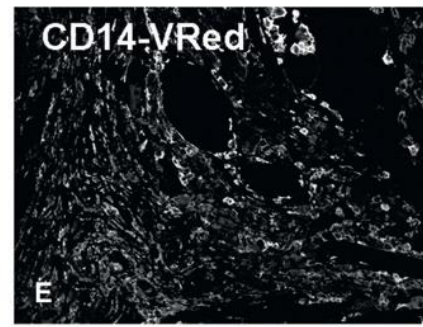
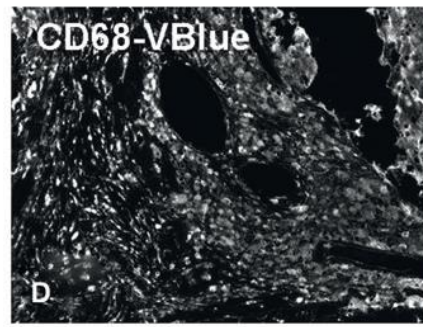
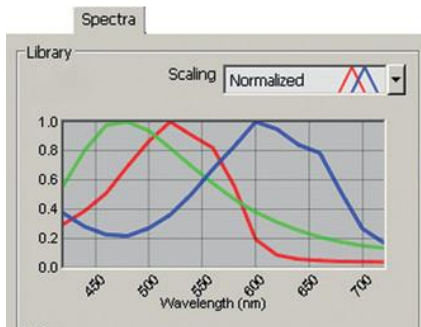
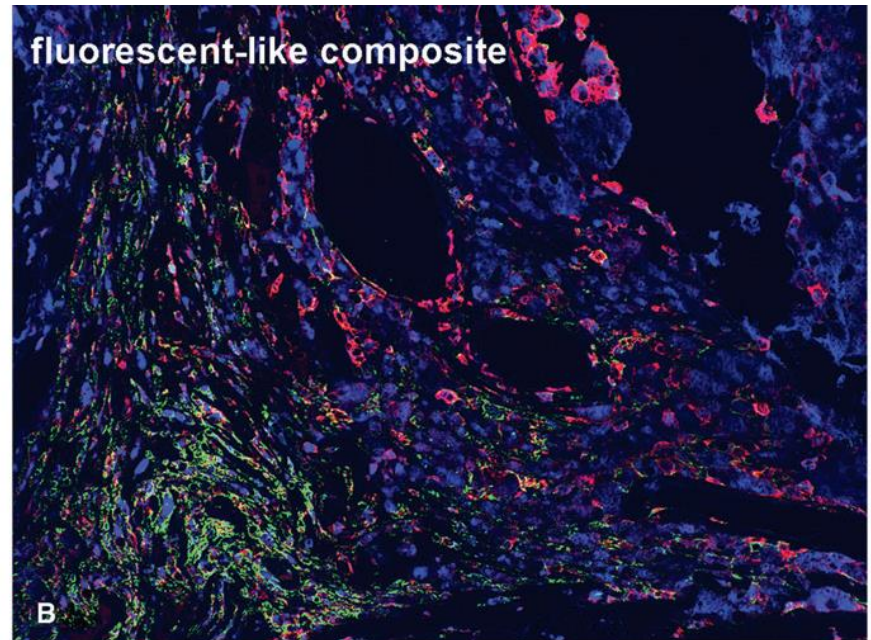
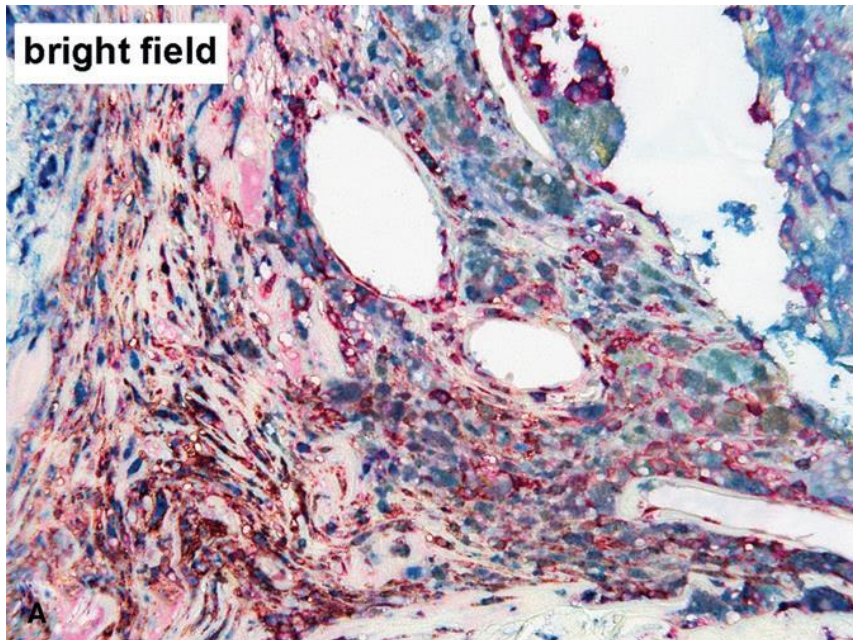


Color (RGB)



Multispectral

# Pushing the limits of color separation using spectral unmixing

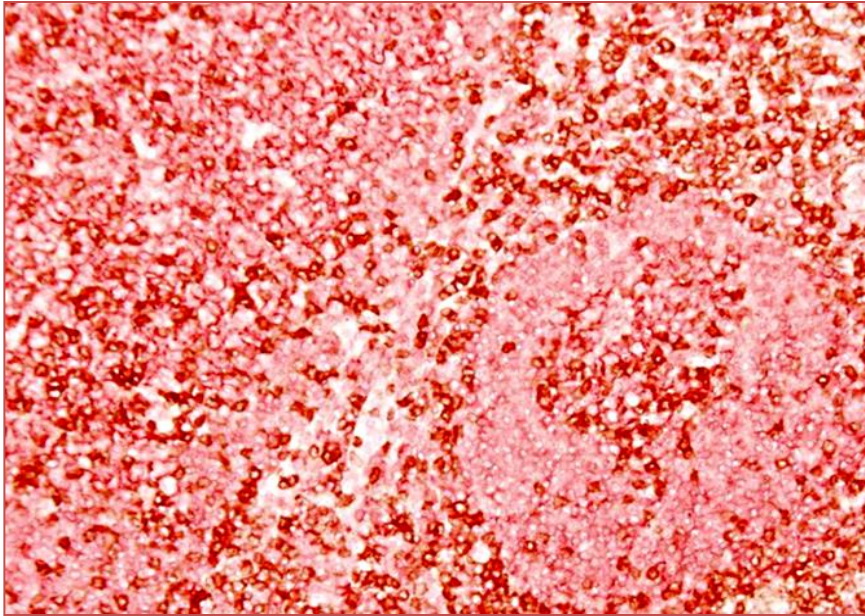




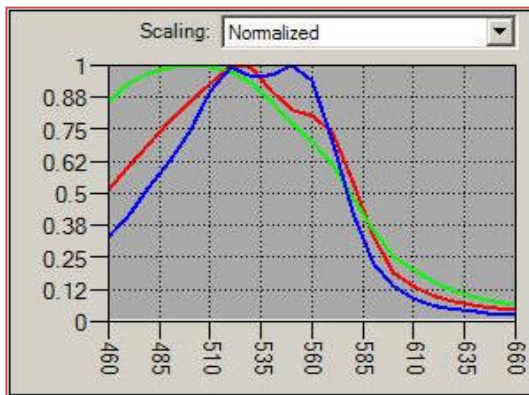
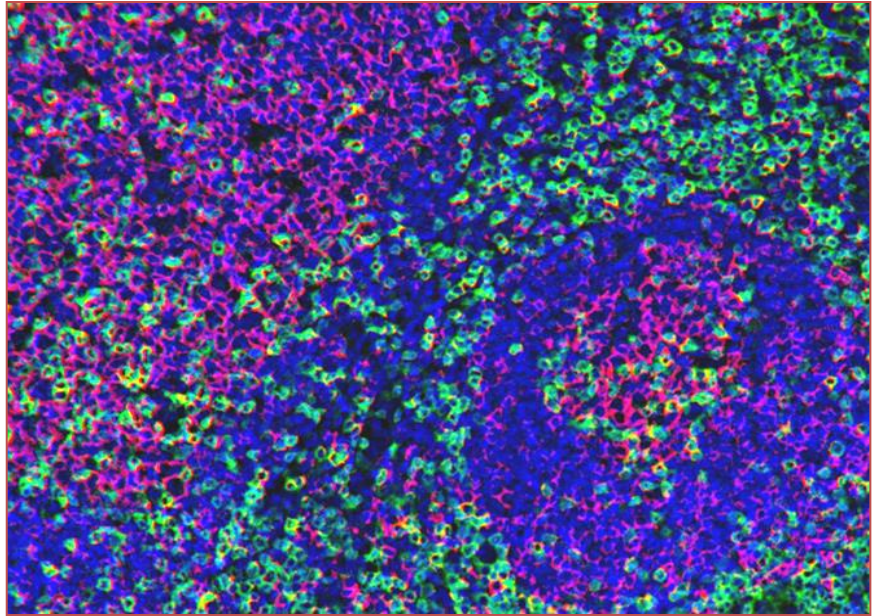
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## Example: Red vs. Red vs. Red

*Bright field*

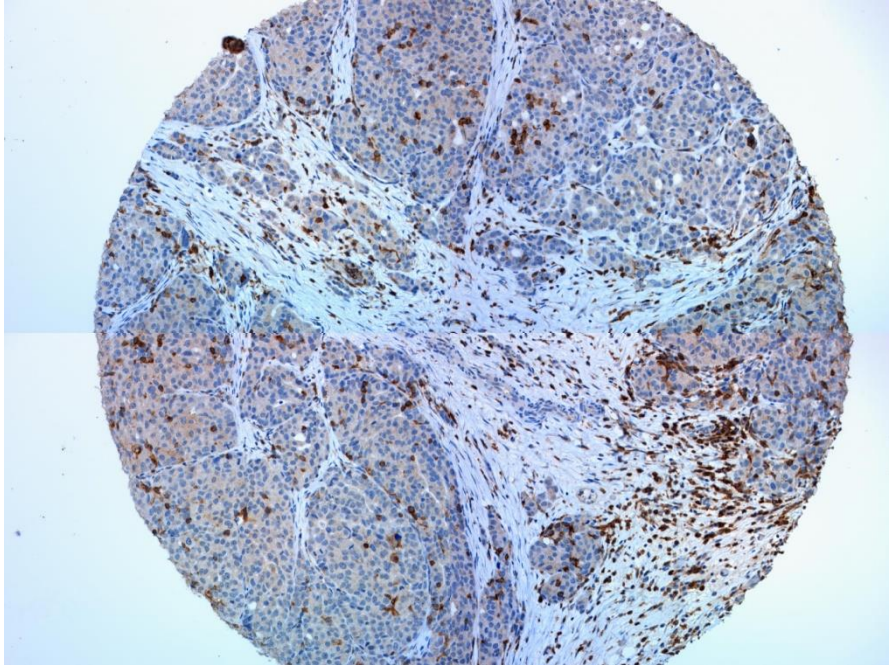


*Fluorescent-like composite*



Liquid Permanent Red  
Vector Red  
AEC

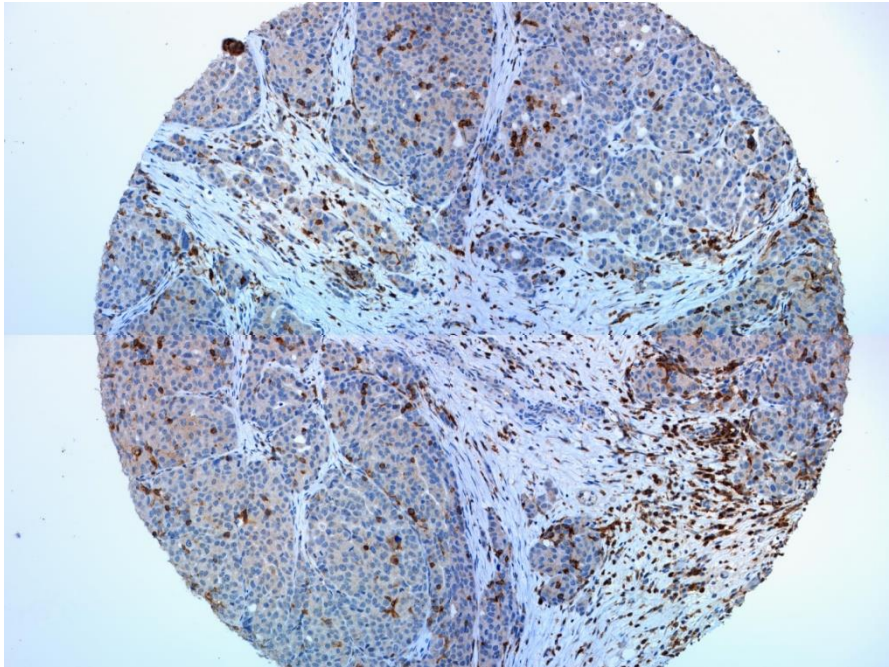
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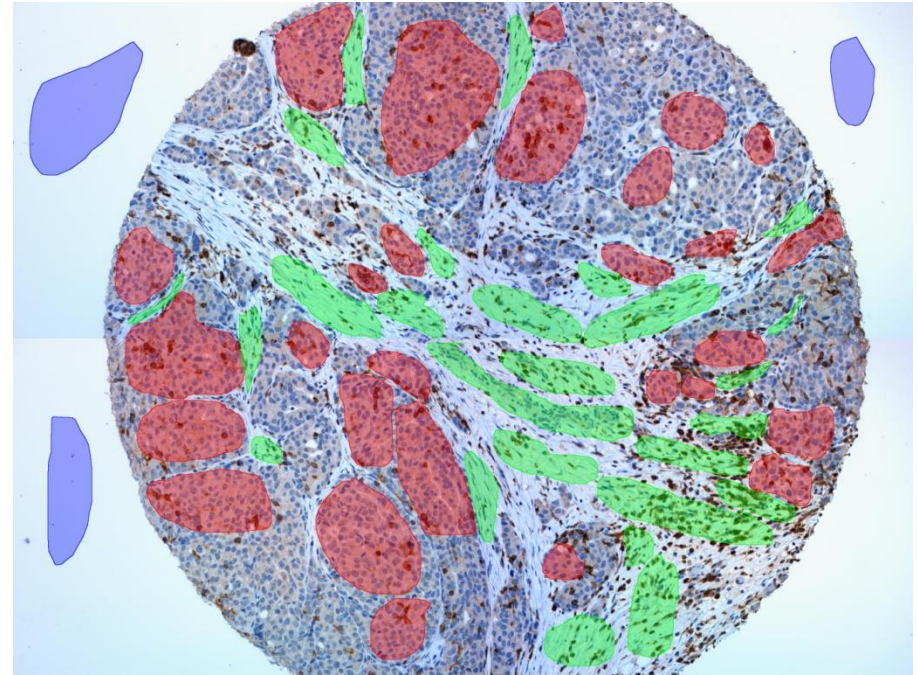
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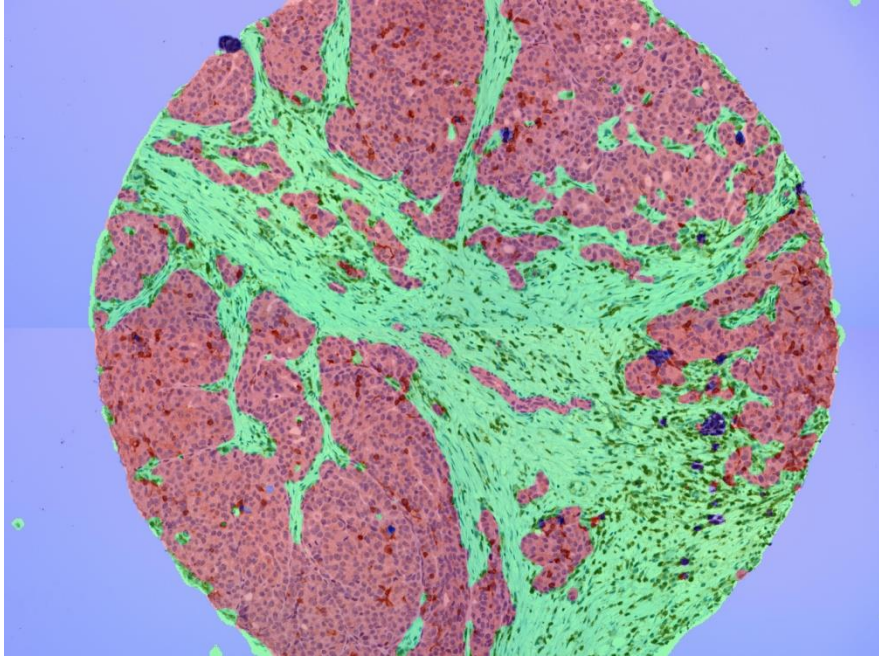


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2. Draw training regions  
and "train" algorithm

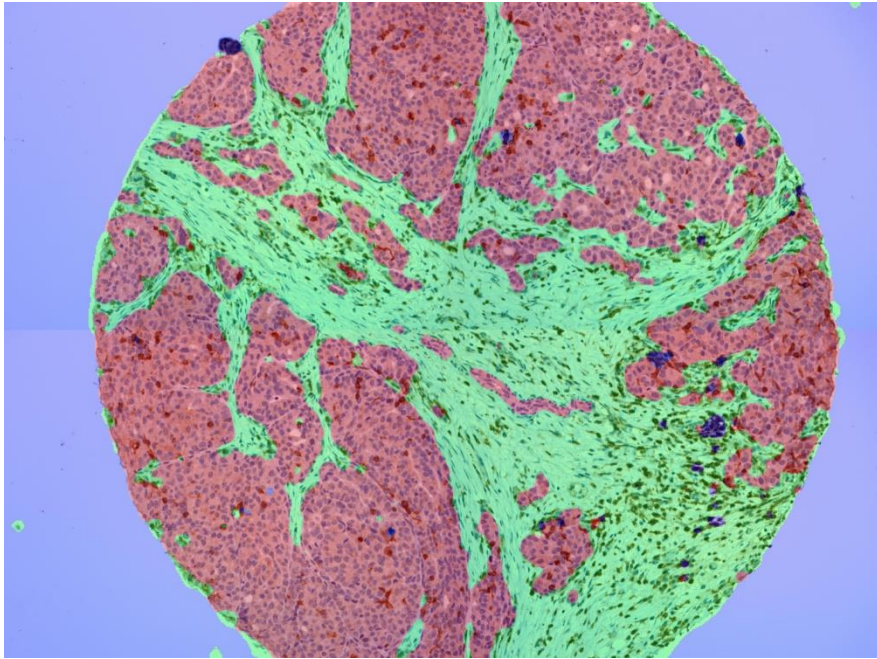
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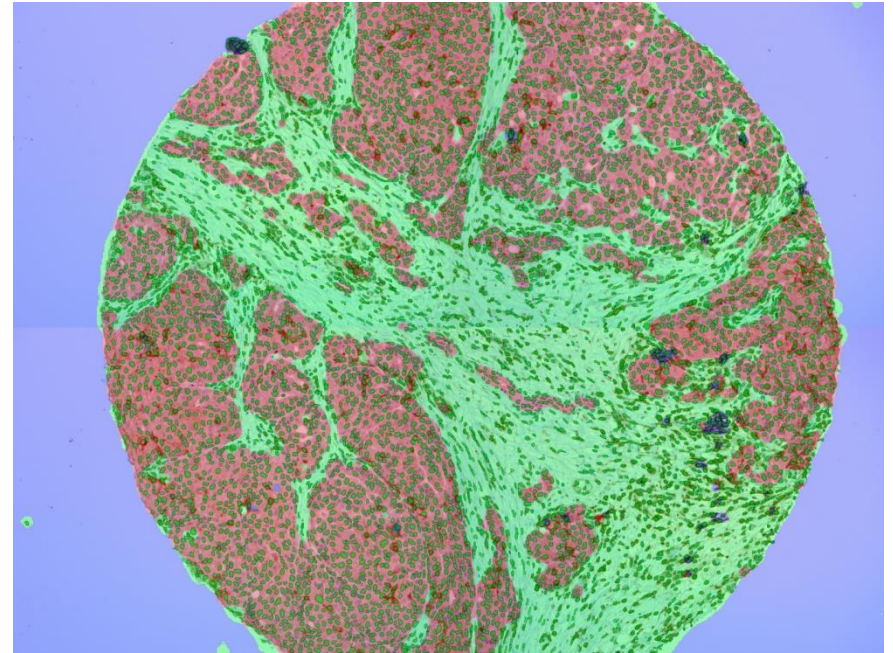
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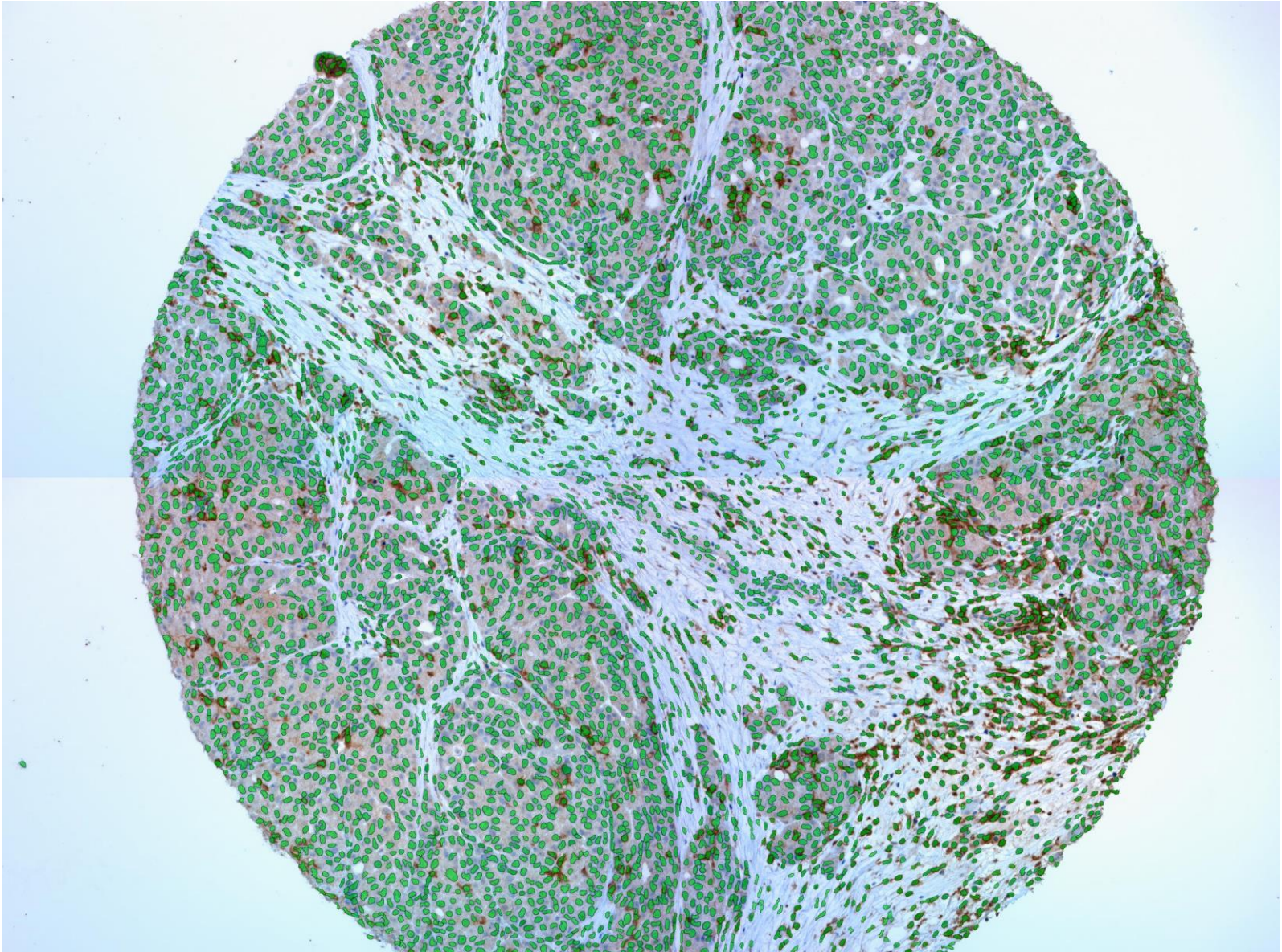
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4. Segment cells  
(nuclei, cytoplasm,  
membrane)

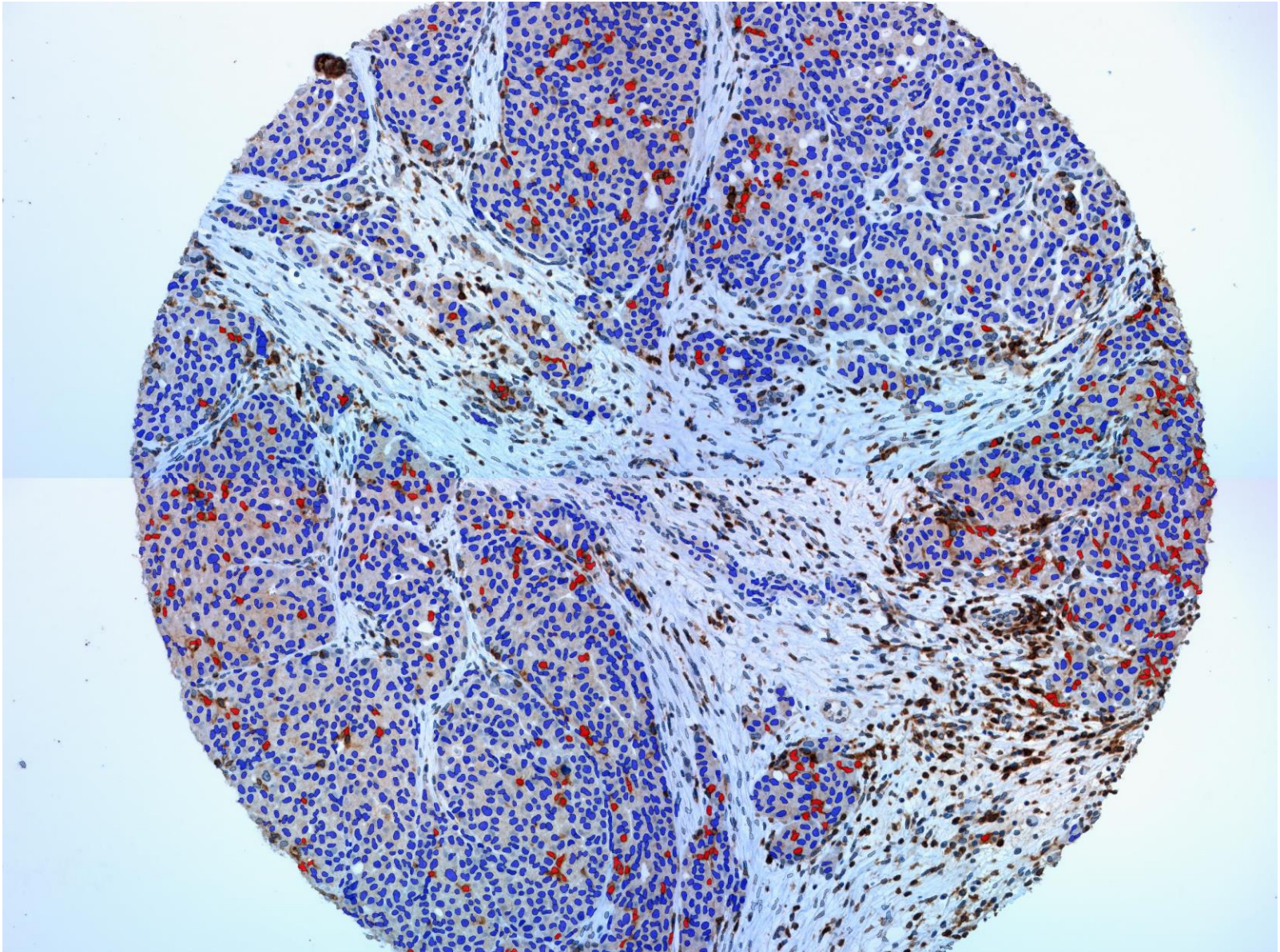


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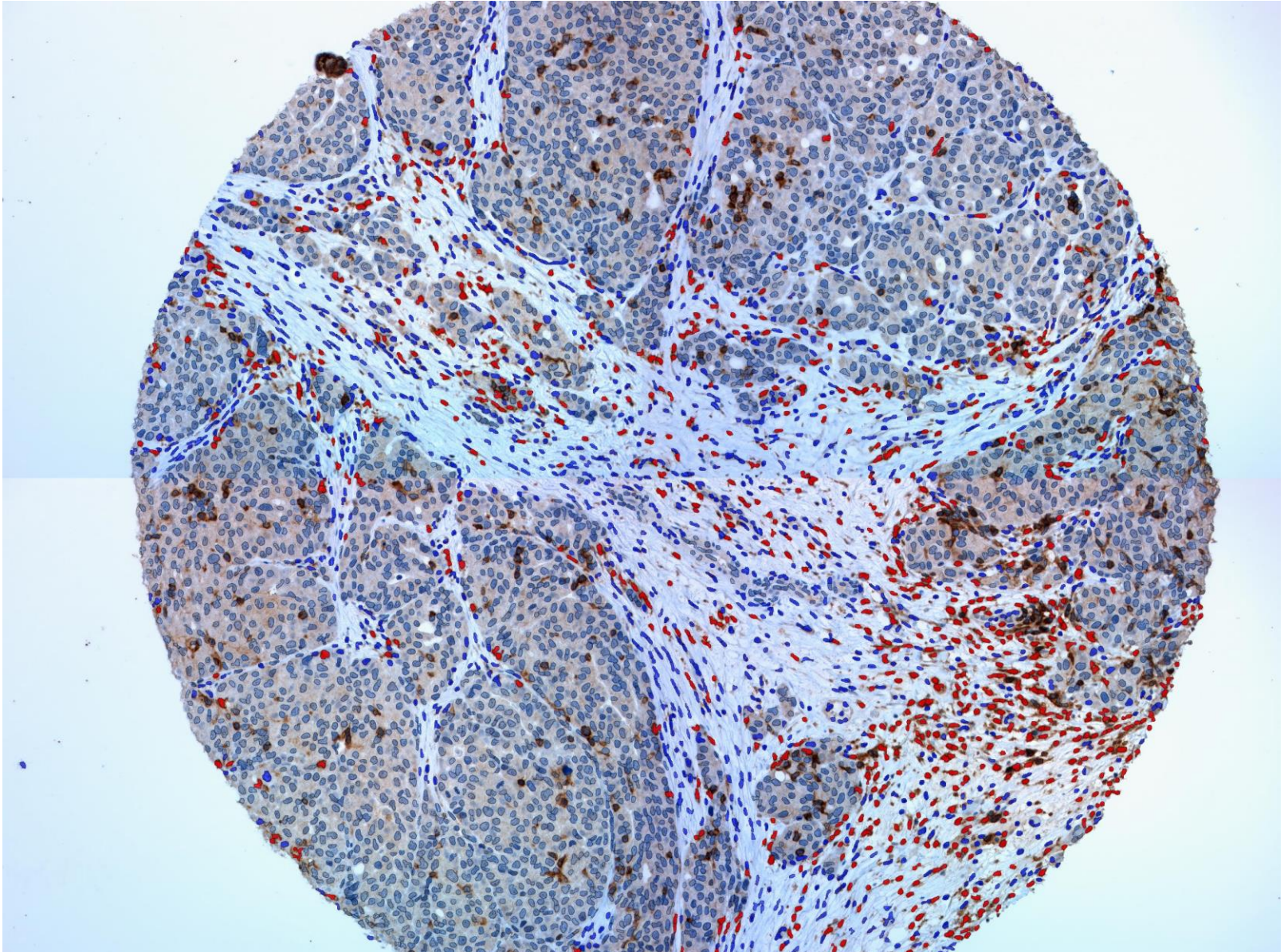


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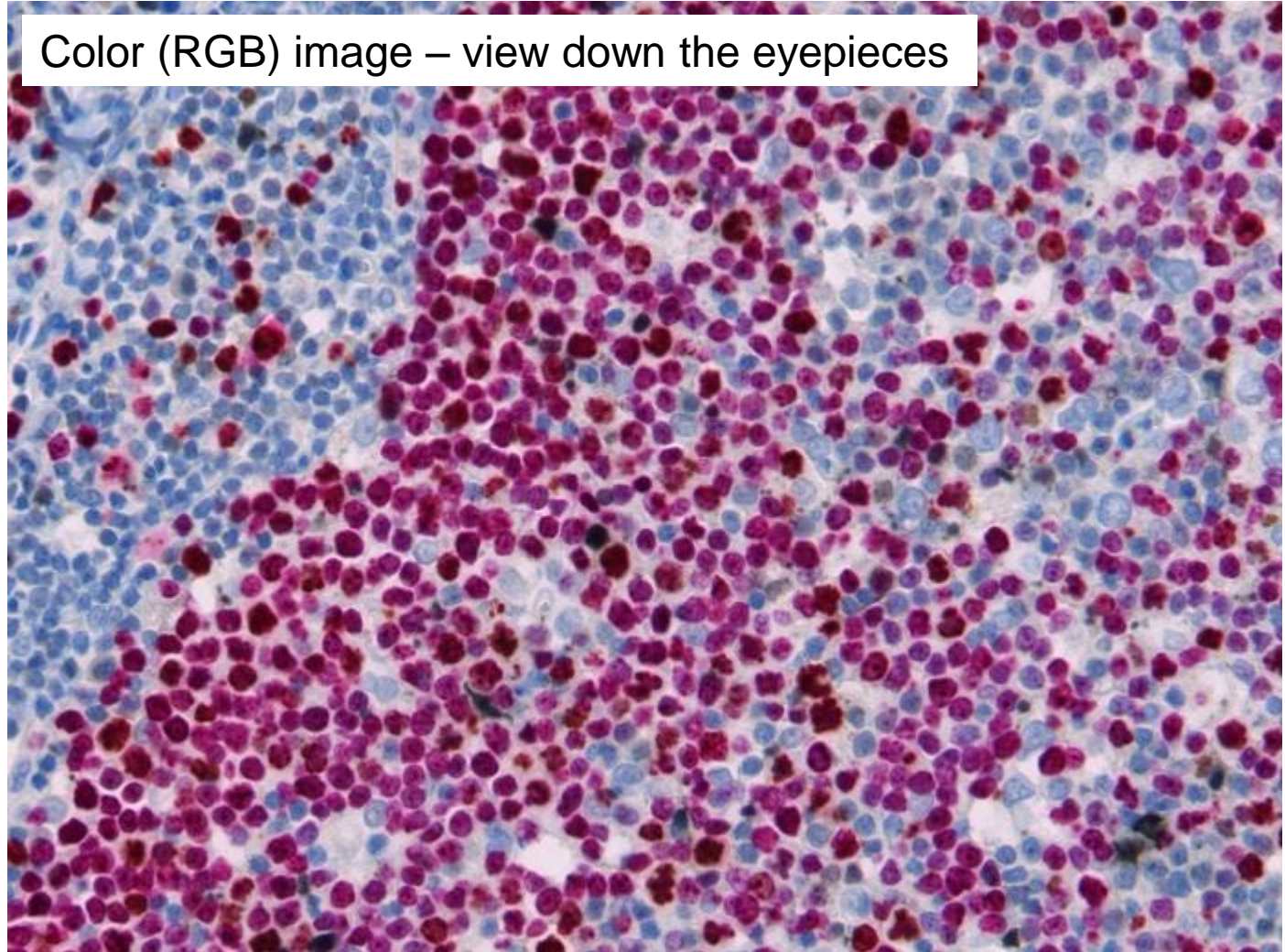
# Multispectral Imaging





# Separation and quantitation of 4 chromogens in brightfield

Color (RGB) image – view down the eyepieces



Hematoxylin: blue

Ki67: red  
Proliferation

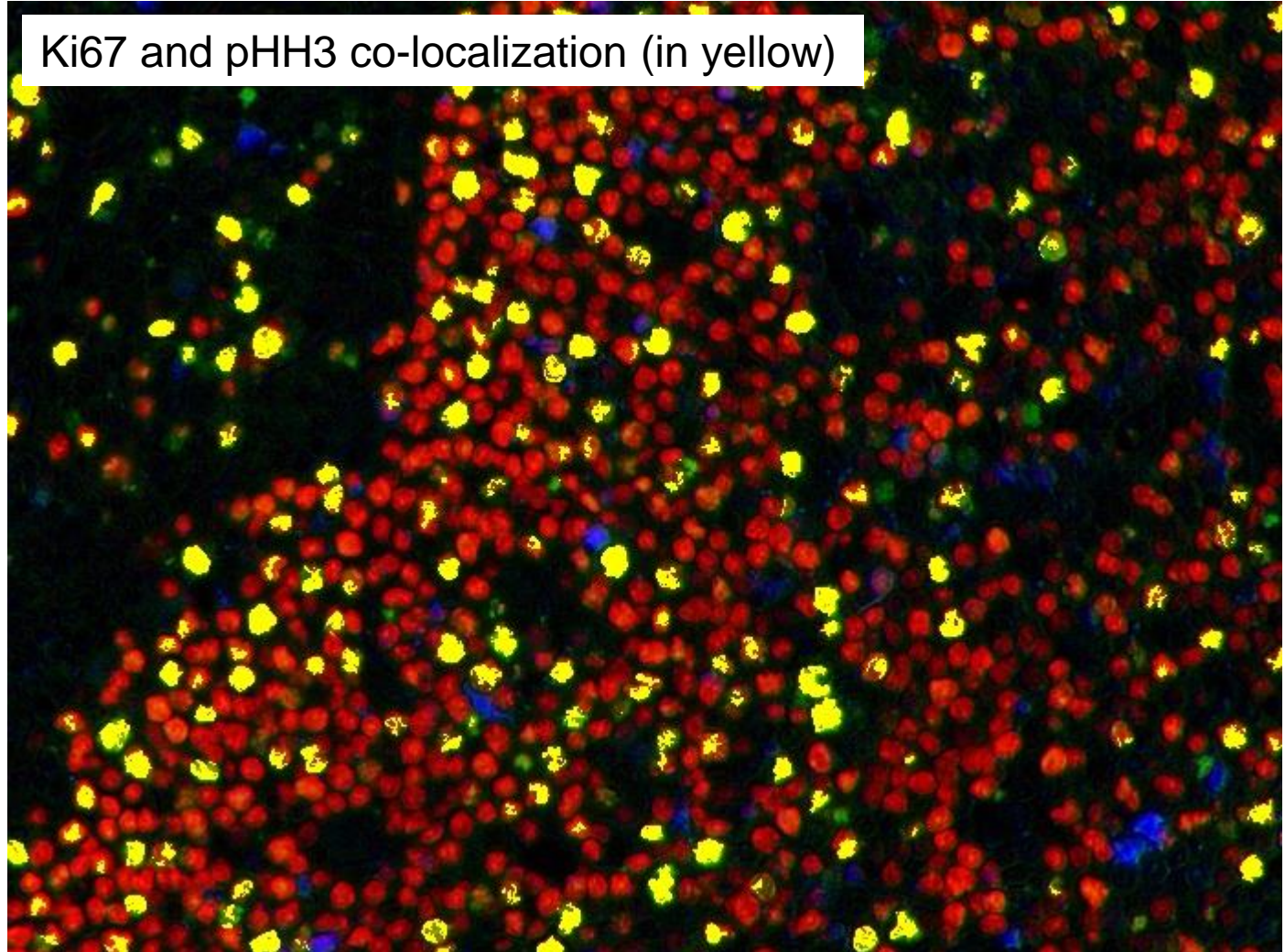
pHH3: brown  
Phospho-histone 3  
Cell cycle marker

CC3: gray/black  
Cleaved caspase 3  
Apoptosis marker



# Separation and quantitation of 4 chromogens in brightfield

Ki67 and pHH3 co-localization (in yellow)



Hematoxylin: blue

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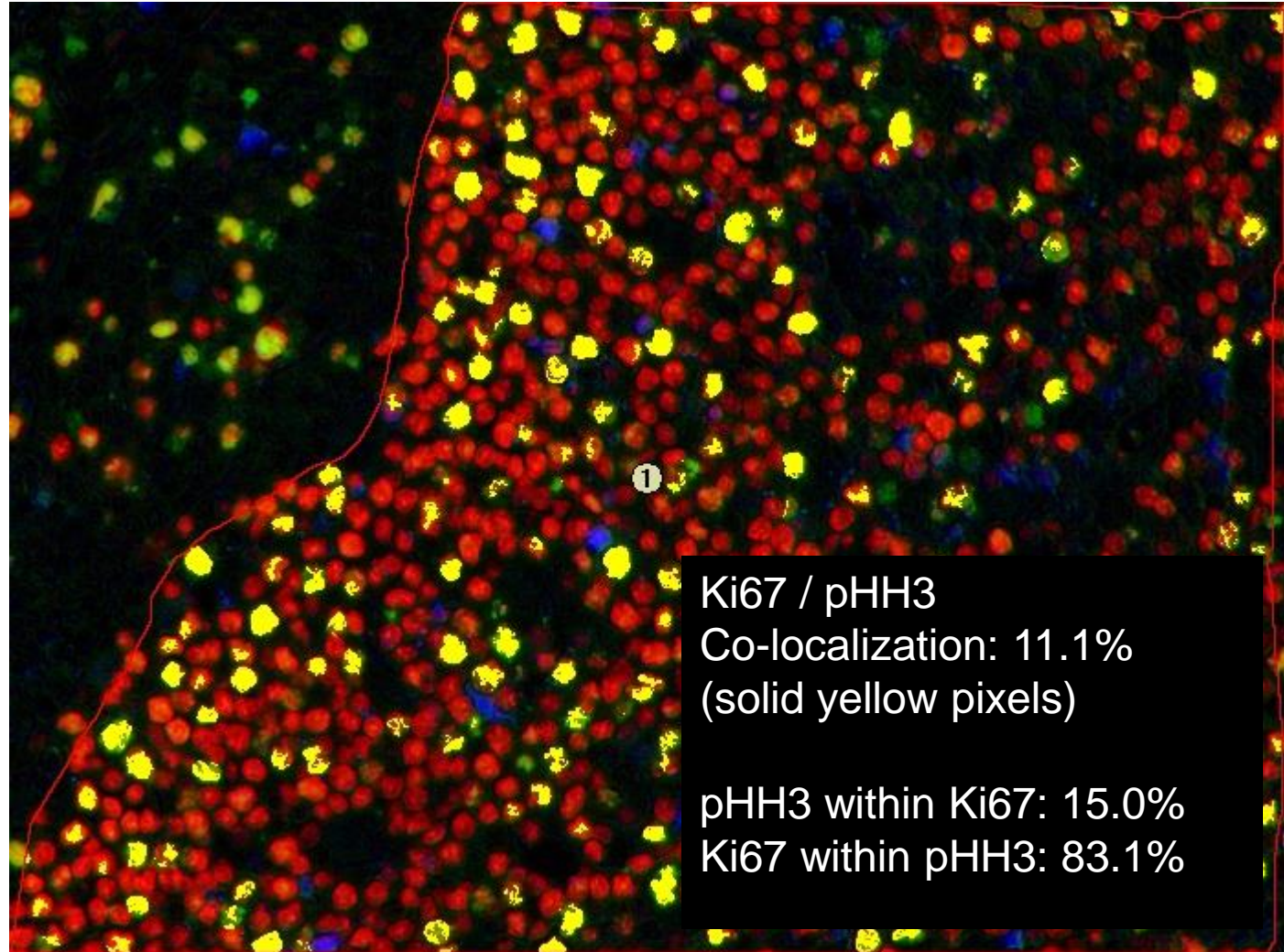
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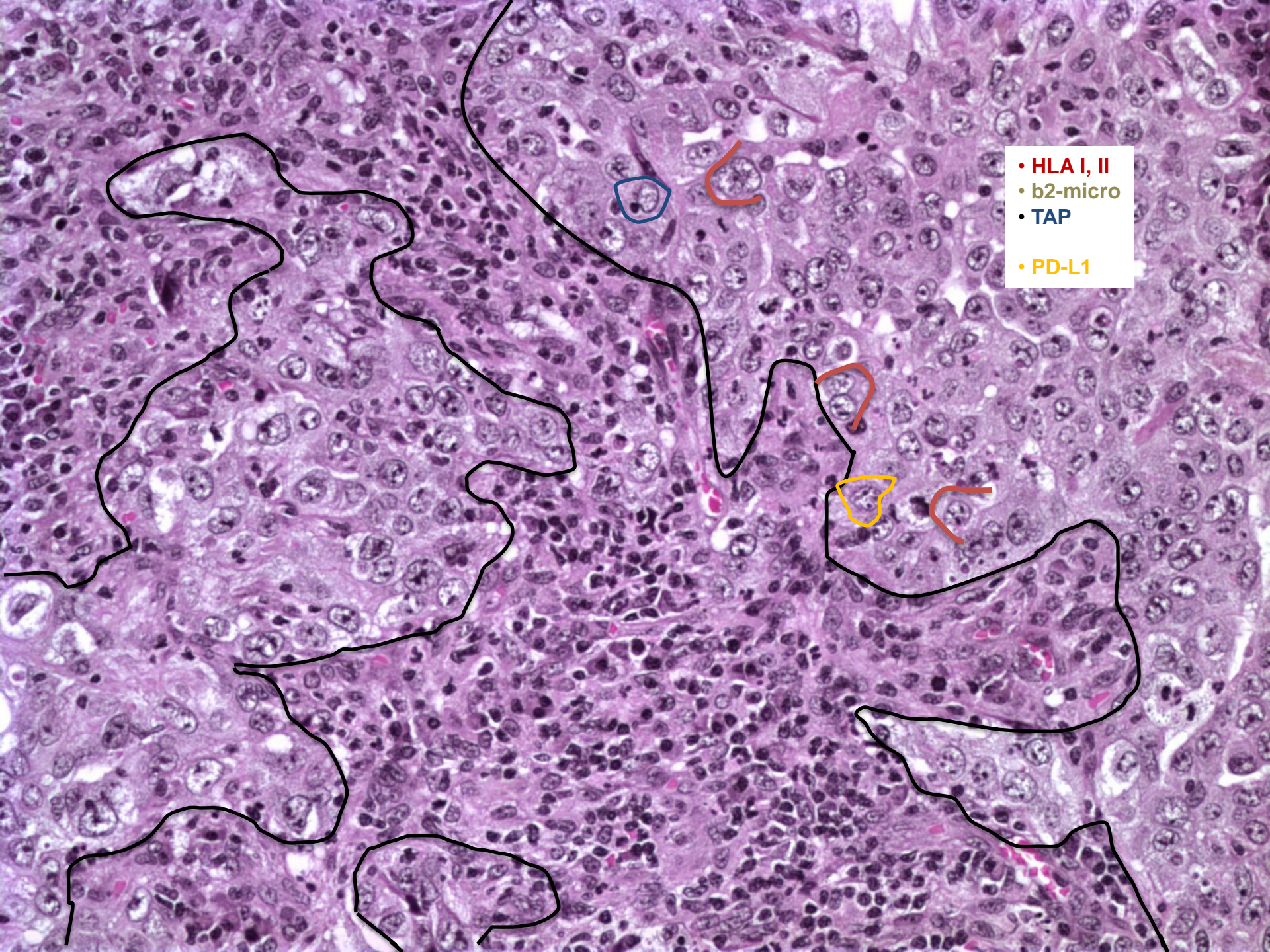


- antibody panels

- CD3, CD4, CD8, CD45RO (for T cell subpopulations and memory).
- Tbet, GATA3, IL17 and FoxP3 (for T cell polarization i.e. Th1, Th2, Th17 and Tregs).
- CD103 (intraepithelial resident memory T cells), E-cadherin (ligand for CD103), TCR $\gamma$  ( $\gamma\delta$ T cells), TCR $\beta$  ( $\alpha\beta$ T cells).
- CD3, Ki67, CD137, Granzyme B, CTLA-4, PD-1, ICOS, CD38, HLADR (functional status of TILs).
- Tryptase, granulocytes (BM-2), CD68, CD163 (for innate immunity cells and M1-M2 macrophage polarization).
- CD20, CD138, CD33 (for B cells, plasma cells and MDSC).
- CD141/DNGR1 (CD141+ DCs), CD123 (plasmacytoid DCs), CD1a (Langerhans cells), CD83, CD86 (mature DCs)
- Nkp46, CD137, NKG2D, KLRG1 (presence and activity of NK cells).
- Cytokeratin, CD45, TAP1, TAP2, tapasin,  $\beta$ 2-microglobulin, HLA-I, HLA-II (antigen presentation by tumor cells)
- Cytokeratin, PD-L1, PD-L2, IDO-1, CD39, CD73, COX1, COX2, TGF-b, IL-10 (immunosuppressive factors by tumor cells)
- PD-1, LAG-3, TIM-3, ICOS, CD160 (inhibitory receptors on T cells)
- Calreticulin and HMGB1, eIF2a (immunogenic cell death, ER stress), Beclin-1 (autophagy),
- Ki67, cleaved caspase 3 (cell kinetics)
- CD31, CD34, D2-40, CD105, VCAM-1, Ang2 (Angiogenesis, lymphangiogenesis)
- $\gamma$ H2AX, Chk2, pATM, p53, BRCA1, Rad51 (DDR, HR)
- $\alpha$ -SMA, FAP (cancer associated fibroblasts)

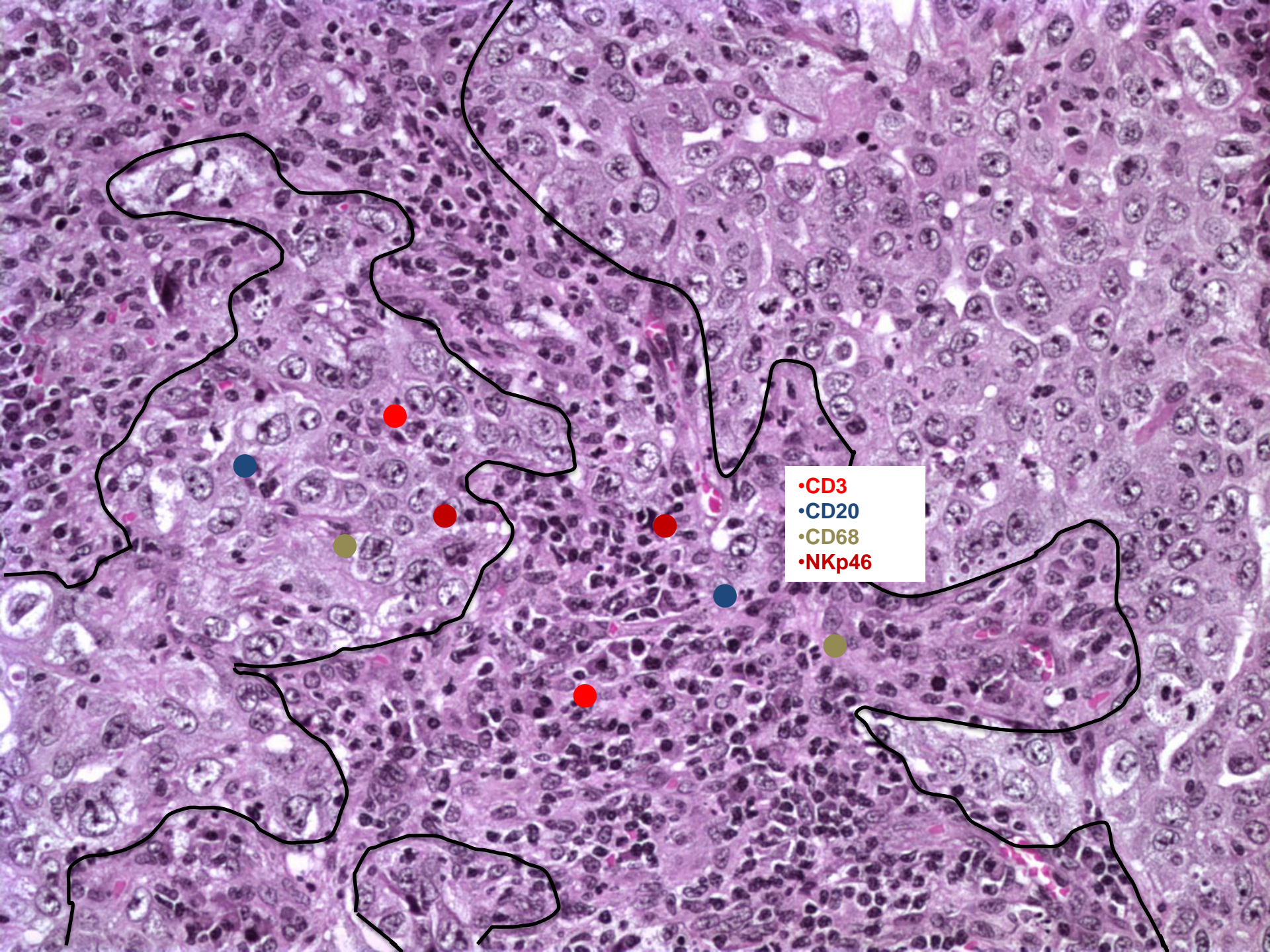






- HLA I, II
- b2-micro
- TAP
- PD-L1





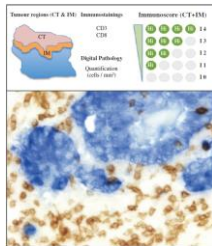
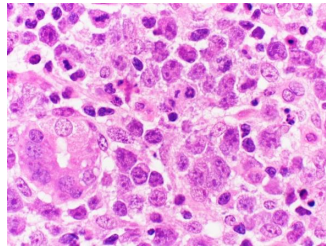
- CD3
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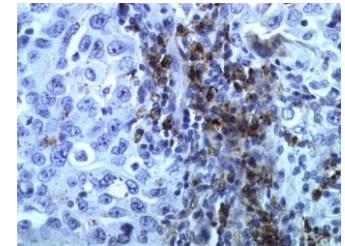
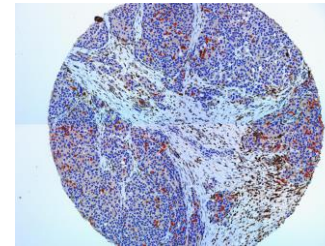
# ESMO Preceptorship, 20 November 2014

## Session 7: Immunomonitoring

Tumor infiltrating immune cells as biomarkers with prognostic/predictive value



Immune contexture		
Type	CD3, CD8, CD45RO	Immunoscore
Density	Cells/mm <sup>2</sup>	
Location	Centre, Margin	
Orientation	Th1, cytotoxic, chemokines, adhesion	



Thank you

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