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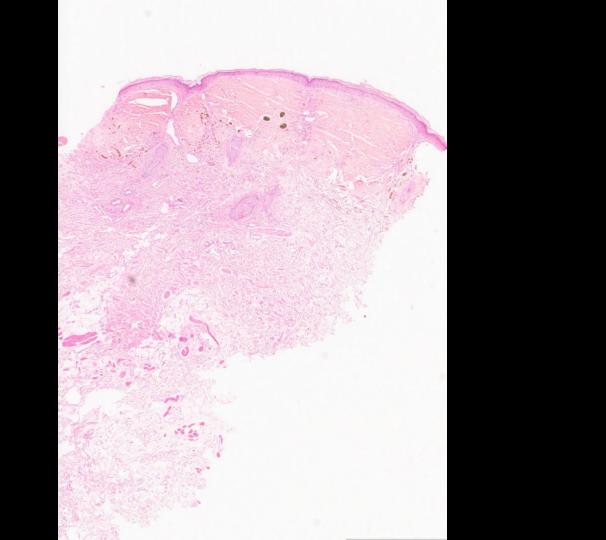


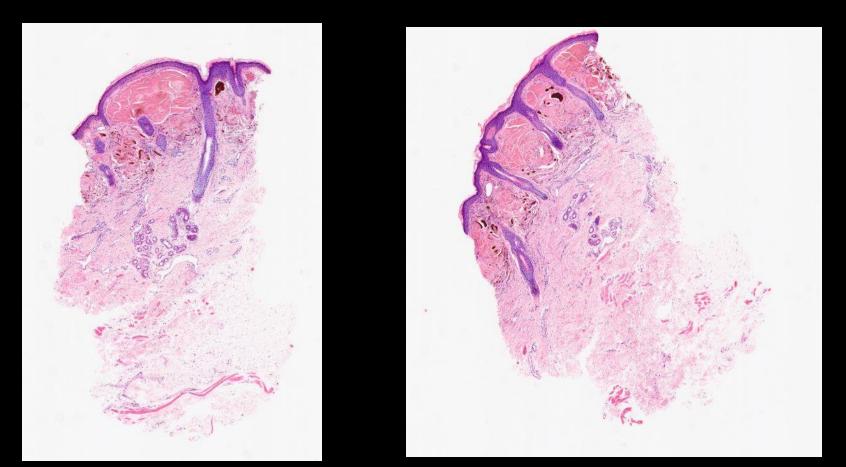
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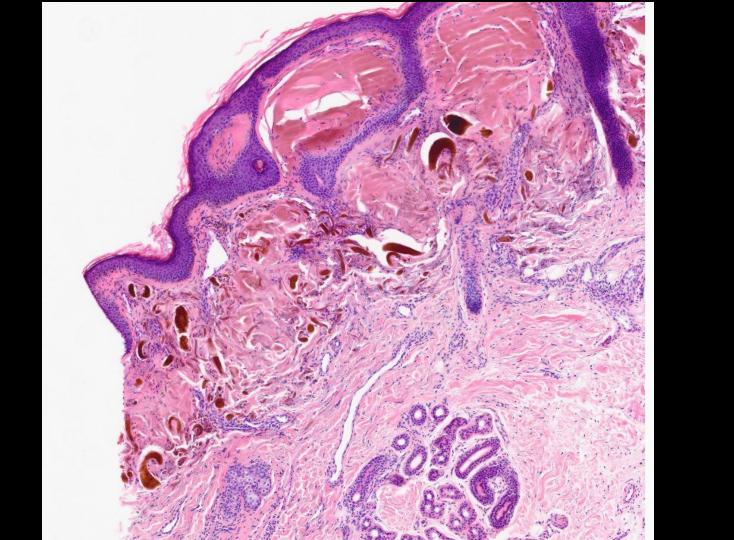
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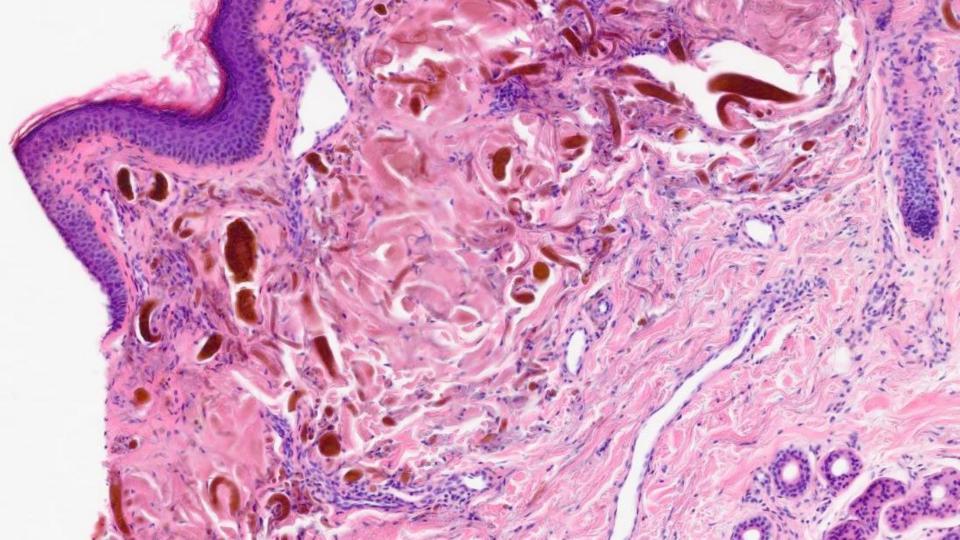
Hyperkeratotic hyperpigmented rash on his cheeks. Punch biopsy taken from rash.

- A) Post inflammatory hyperpigmentation
- B) Ochronosis
- C) Tattoo pigment
- D) Tumoural melanosis

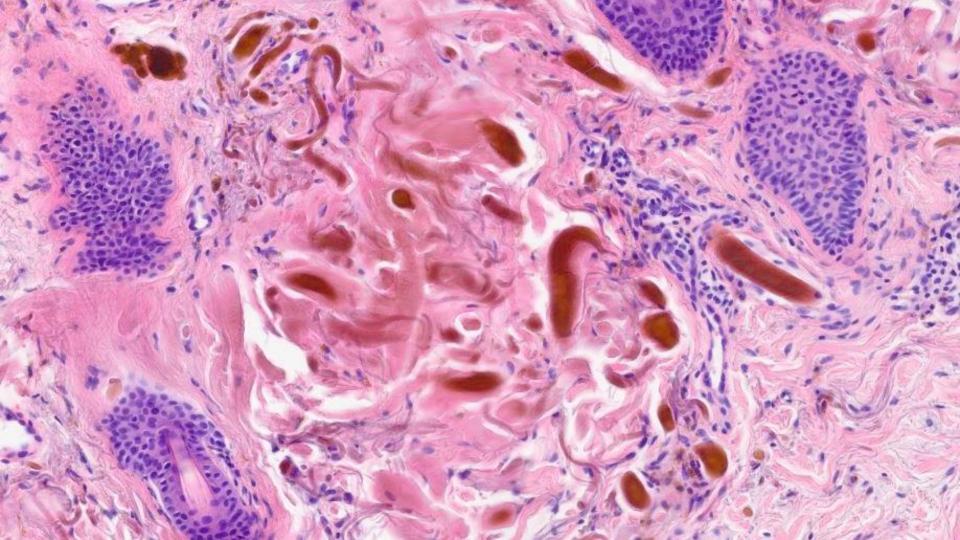


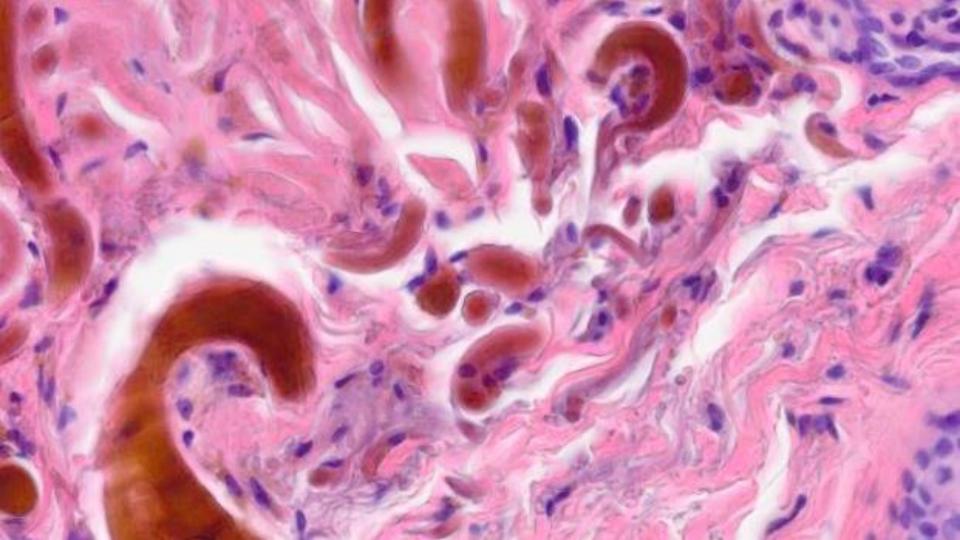


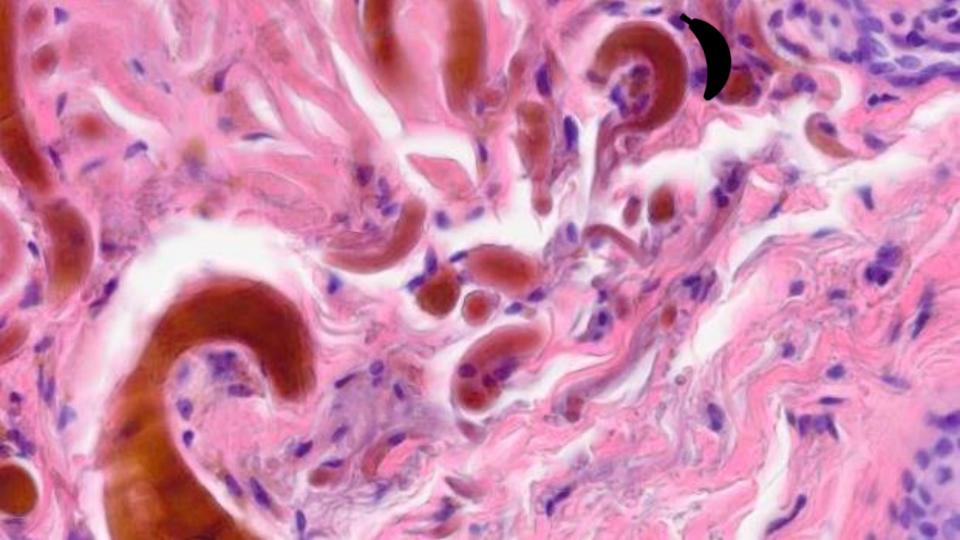












Differential diagnosis given:

- a) Post inflammatory hyperpigmentation
- b) Ochronosis
- c) Tattoo pigment
- d) Tumour melanosis

Presentation



55-year-old gentleman



Presenting complaint:

- Hyperkeratotic, hyperpigmented rash on face
- Associated symptoms: mild itch
- Of cosmetic concern for the patient

Past Medical History



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 No significant past medical history



Past Medication History:

Nil

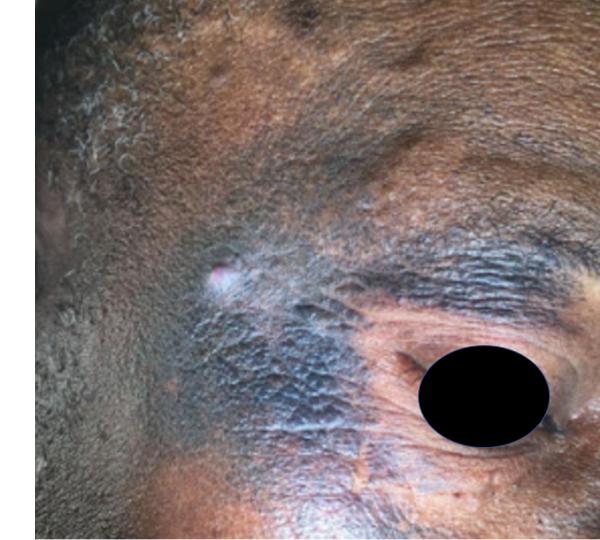


Travel History:

 Originally from the Congo, but living in Ireland.

On Examination

 Blue-black, symmetrical papular eruption on the zygomata, extending to the supraorbital ridges bilaterally.



Past Medical History: Review

- Further questioning revealed regular use of a 'skin-lightening cream' containing hydroquinone:
 - at an unknown concentration
 - the patient had purchased the cream online



Exogenous Ochronosis

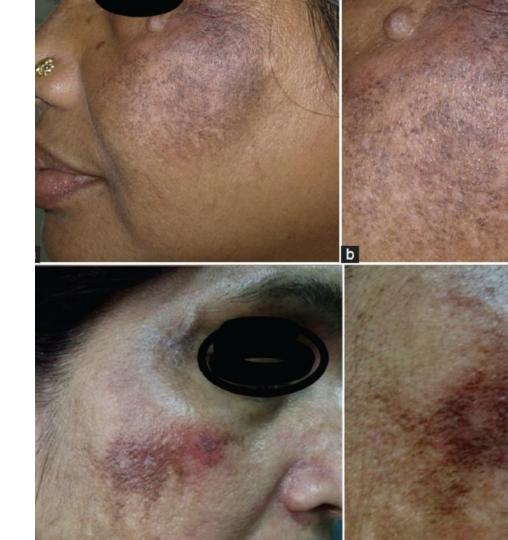
Exogenous Ochronosis

- First described by Findlay et al (1975)
- Associated with topical agents containing:
 - Hydroxyquinone- not dose dependent
 - Compounds related to phenol
 - Other agents intended as inducers of skin lightening
 - Antimalarials



Exogenous Ochronosis

- Occurs over osseous surfaces, often affecting the zygomatic regions in a symmetrical pattern
- Lesions: gray-brown or blue-black macules
 - Usually with hyperchromatic, pinpoint, caviar-like papules
- Classification by Dogliotte (1979):
 - i. Erythema and mild hyperpigmentation
 - ii. Hyperpigmentation, pigmented colloid milium (caviar like lesions)& scanty atrophy
 - iii. Papulo-nodular lesions

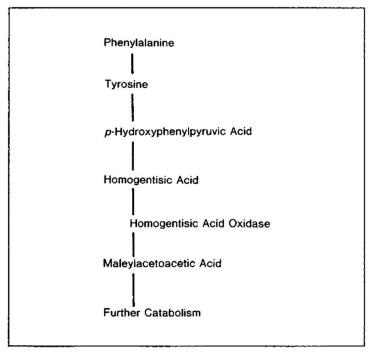


Pathogenesis

Pennys NS (1985) proposed the following hypothesis:

- Topically applied hydroquinone inhibits the activity of homogentisic acid oxidase in the skin
- Resulting in the local accumulation of homogentisic acid, which polymerizes to form ochronotic pigment.
- Pennys also hypothesised that susceptible individuals have lower functional levels of homogentisic acid oxidase and could represent persons who are heterozygous for endogenous ochronosis.

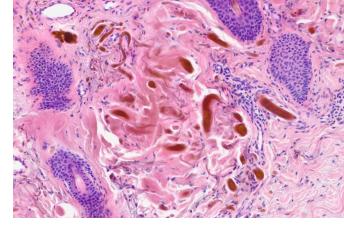
The oxidation of phenylalanine to maleylacetoacetic acid.

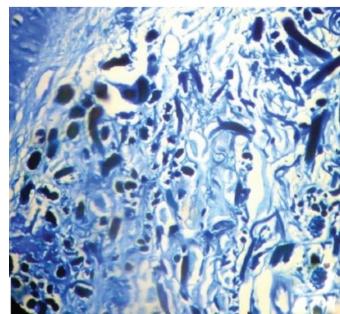


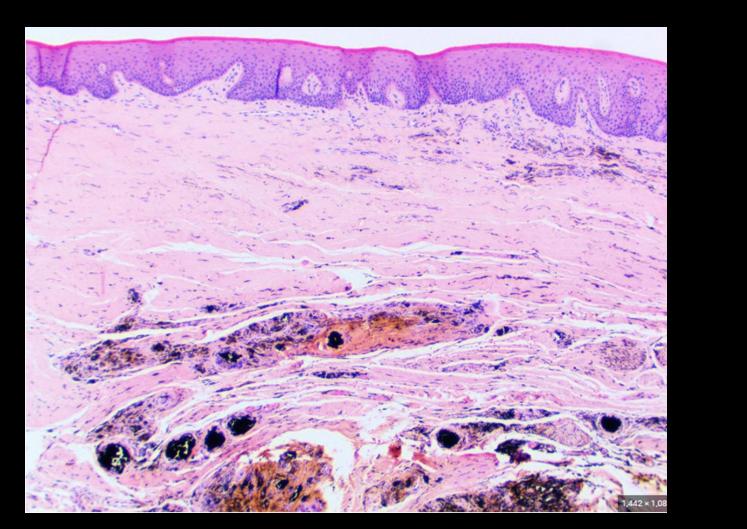
Penneys NS. Ochronosis like pigmentation from hydroquinone bleaching creams. Arch Dermatol. 1985;121(10):1239–40.

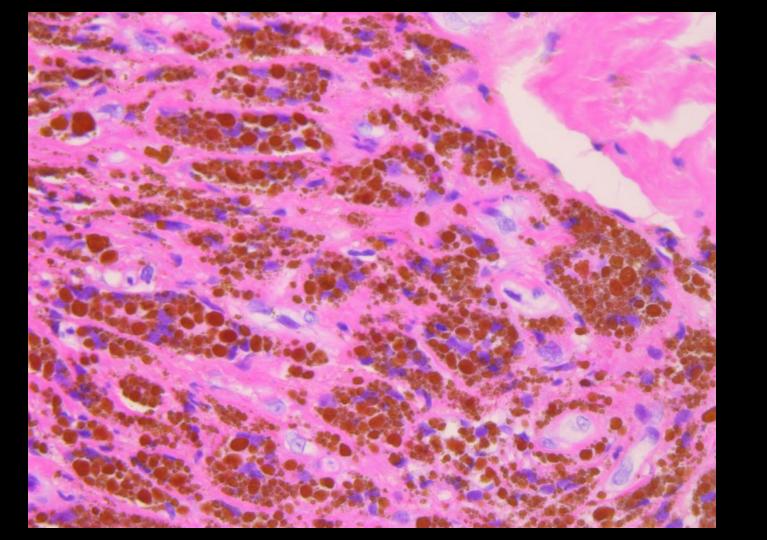
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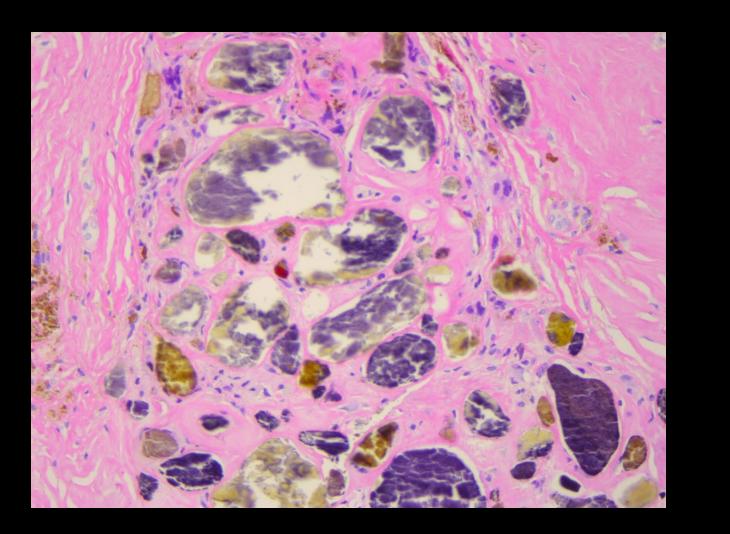
- Characteristic ochre or yellow-brown pigment
 - Present within the collagen bundles
 - Tend to fracture transversely
 - Resulting in pointed edges (banana or commashaped)
 - Methylene blue staining showing ochronotic fibers stained dark blue.
- Fine granules of ochronotic pigment may also be present:
 - Intracellularly: in the endothelium, macrophages, and secretory cells of sweat glands
 - Extracellularly: basement membrane
- With degradation of ochronotic fibers → formation of colloid millium







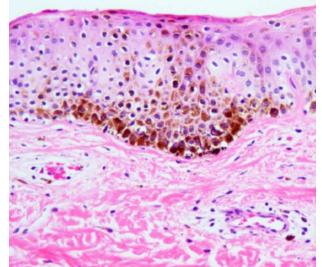




Differential Diagnosis: Melasma

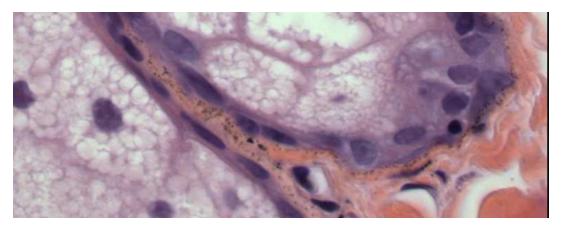
- Histology:
 - Increased keratinocyte melanisation, which may involve all layers of the epidermis
 - Variable papillary dermal melanophages
 - Solar elastosis
 - Telangiectasia
 - Increased mast cells
- Hydroquinone is the first choice of topical bleaching agents treatment used in the treatment of melasma.





Argyria

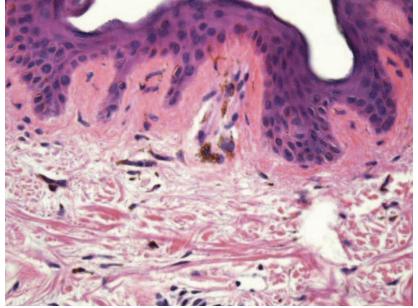
- Permanent discoloration of skin due to dietary, medicinal or industrial exposure to silver compounds
- Silver deposition in skin and mucous membranes, liver, spleen, adrenal, muscle and brain
- Silver deposits cause pigmentation of basement membranes of adnexal structures.
- •Tiny, gray-brown-black granules in dermis and concentrated near eccrine glands.





Differential Diagnosis: Hydroxychloroquine





Puja K. et al (2008). Hydroxychloroquine-induced hyperpigmentation: the staining pattern., 35(12), 1134–1137

Answer

• B - Ochronosis

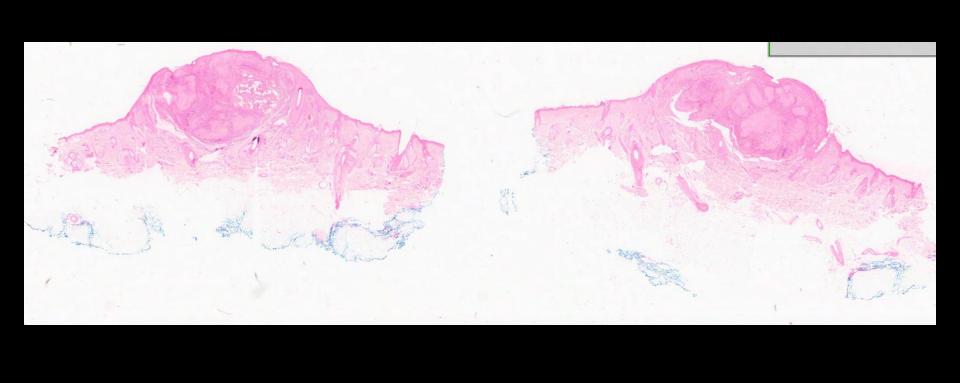


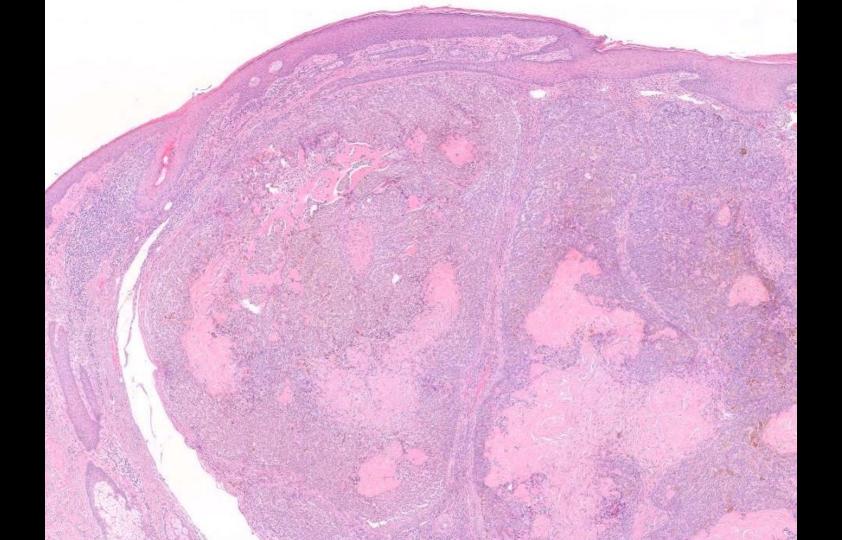
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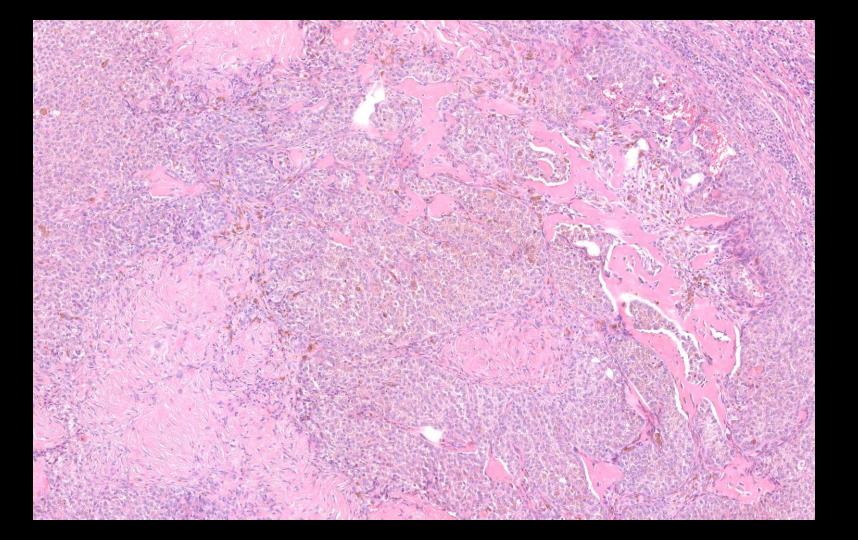
Male 72 years

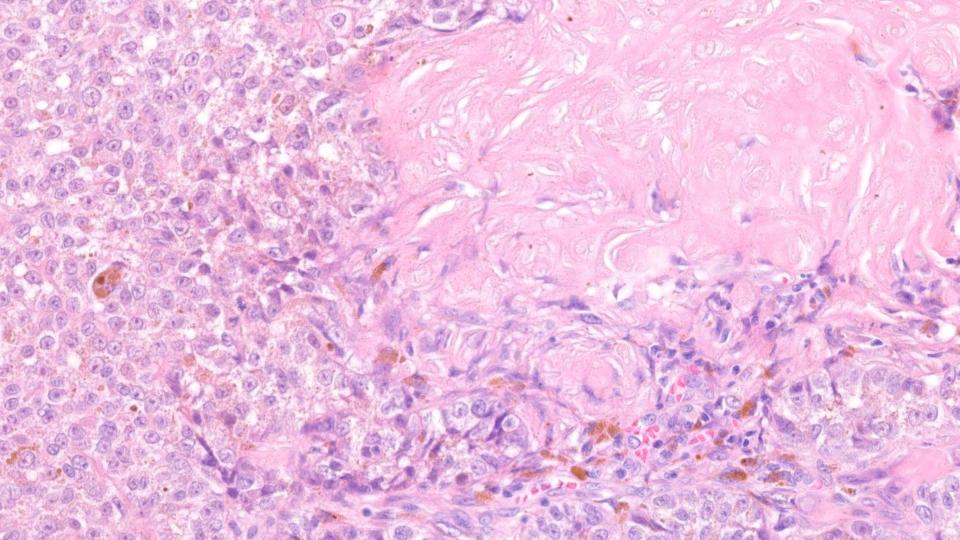
Lesion on his left cheek? BCC

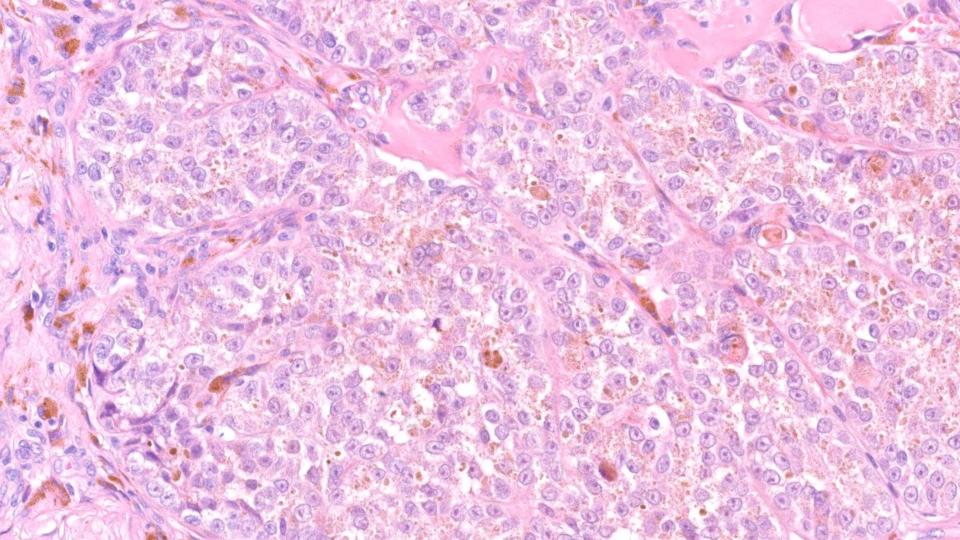
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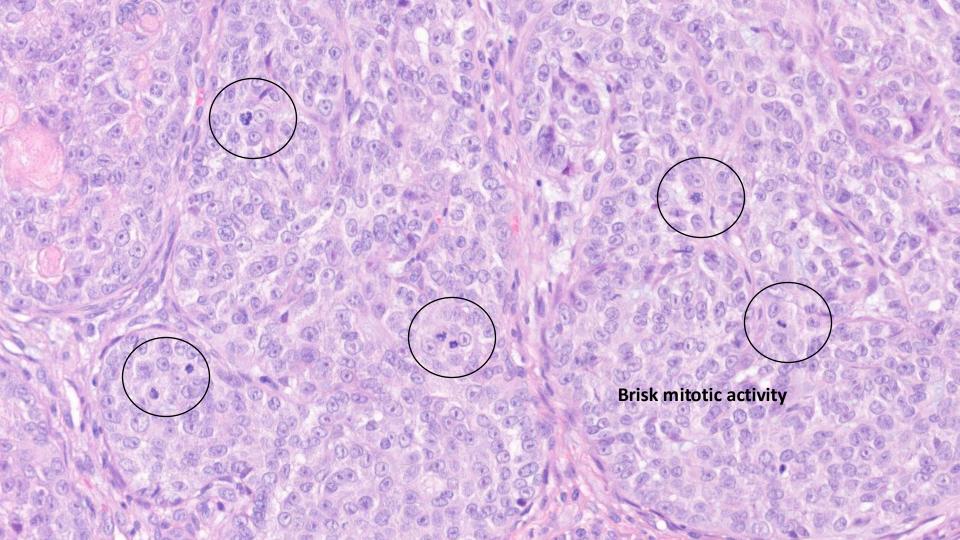




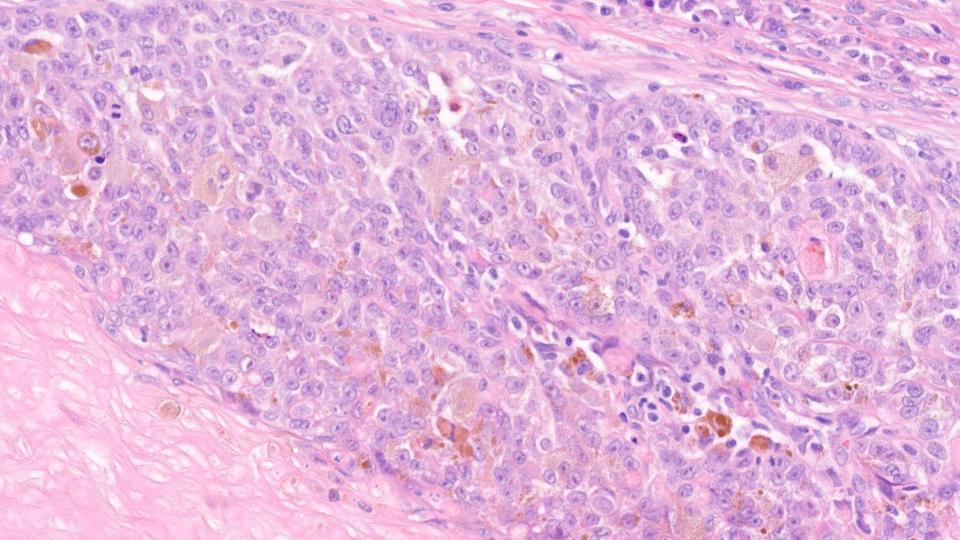












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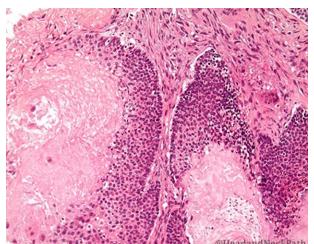
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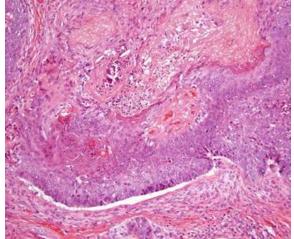
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Basal Cell Carcinoma with Matrical Differentiation

- Basaloid tumour with epidermal connection
- Peripheral palisading of nests with tumour-stromal clefts/mucin
- Abrupt transition to ghost cells
- BerEP4 positive...



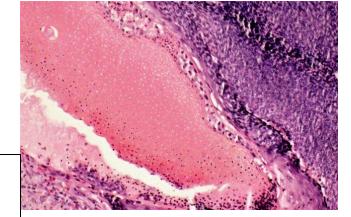


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Pilomatrixoma

(pilomatricoma, calcifying epithelioma of Malherbe)

- Benign lesion with differentiation toward the matrix of the hair follicle.
- · Head, neck and extremities.
- 60% develop in first 2 decades.
- Have been reported with other abnormalities (myotonic dystrophy, Turner's syndrome, Gardner's syndrome).
- Do not recur.



ORIGINAL STUDY

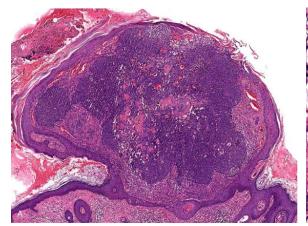
Where Pigmented Pilomatricoma and Melanocytic Matricoma Collide

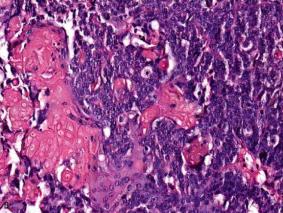
Ben Tallon, MBCHB*† and Lorenzo Cerroni, MD*

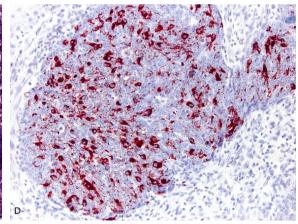
Melanocytic Matricoma

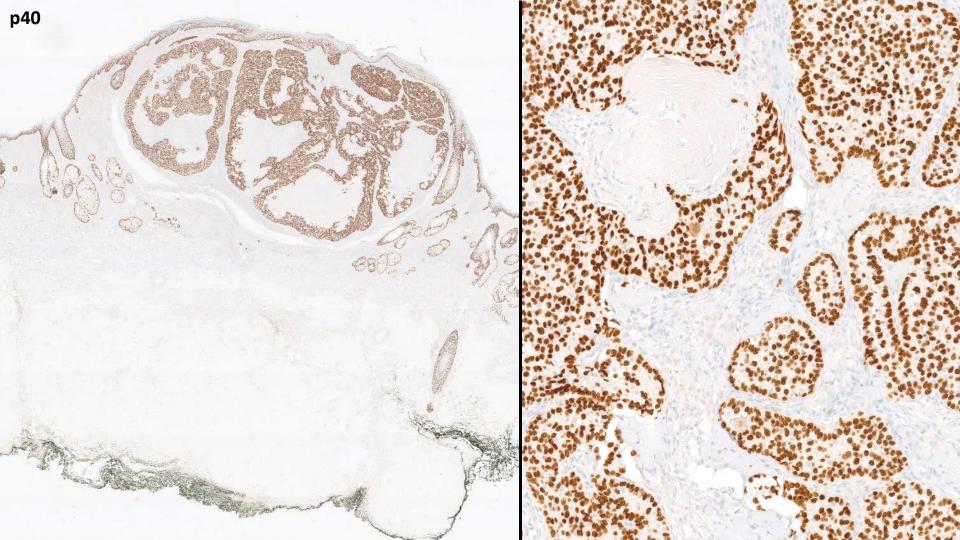
- Well circumscribed dermal tumour
- Asymmetrical pigmentation
- Solid nests and lobules of basaloid cells
- Remniscent of matrical and supramatrical cells
- Cytological atypia, mitoses, interspersed pigmented dendritic melanocytes and ghost cells

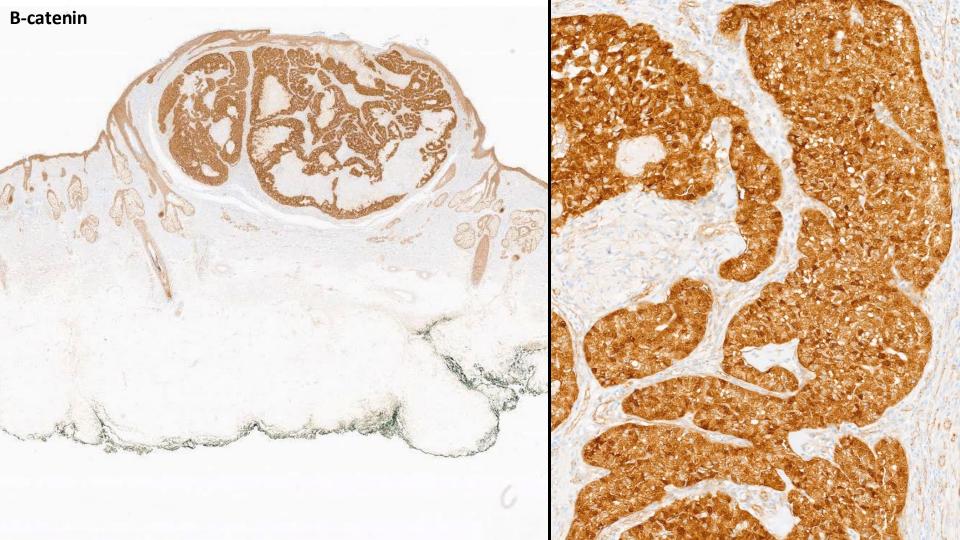
- Tumour of hair follicle
- approx. 20 cases described in literature
- Sun damaged skin of elderly
- Clinical differential: pigmented BCC, haemangioma, melanoma

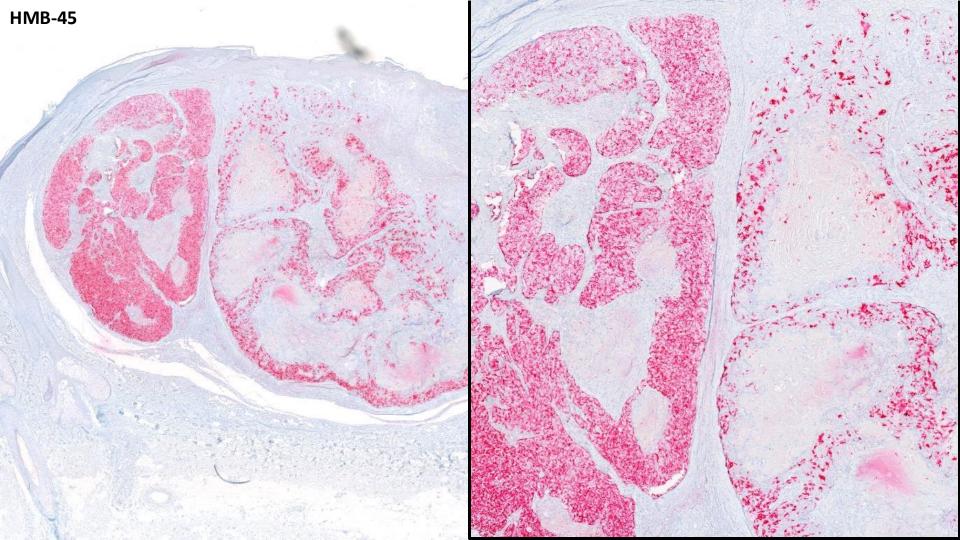


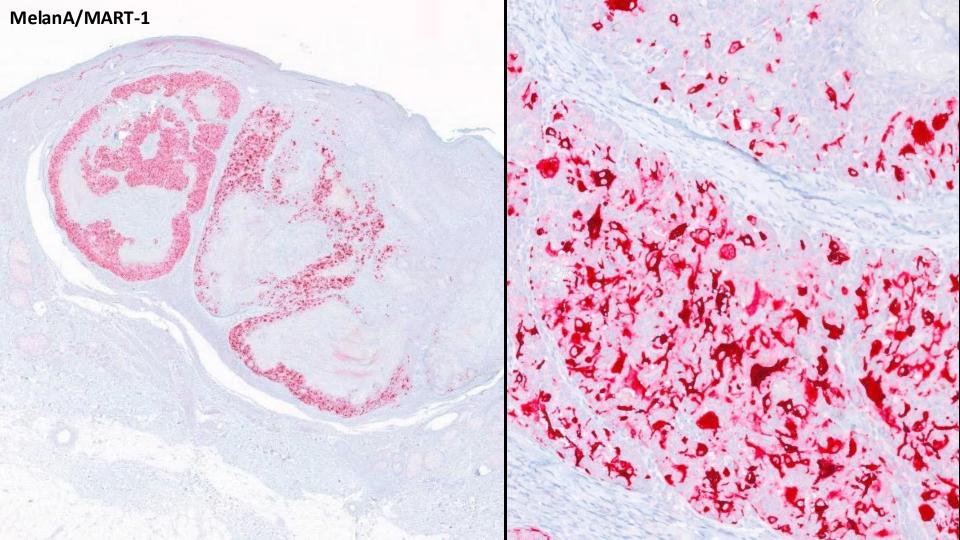


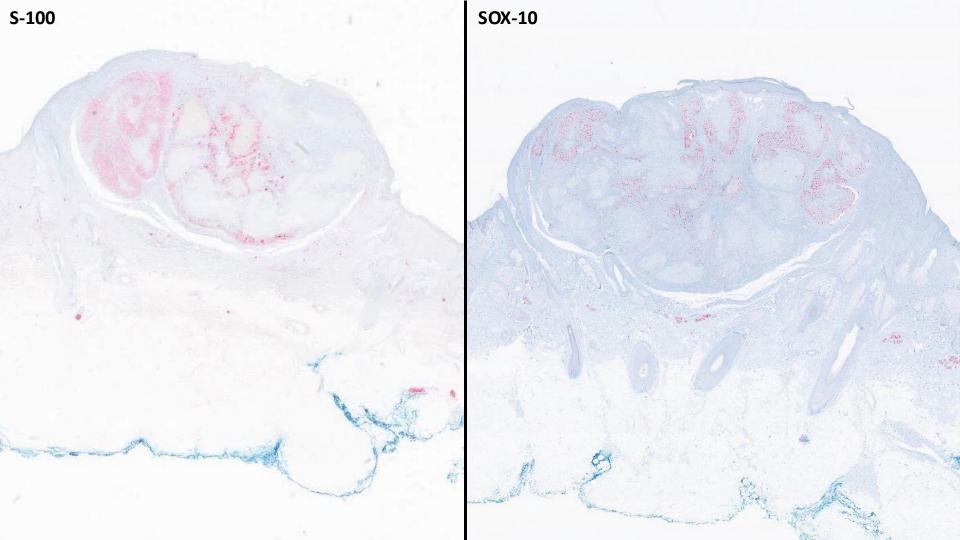


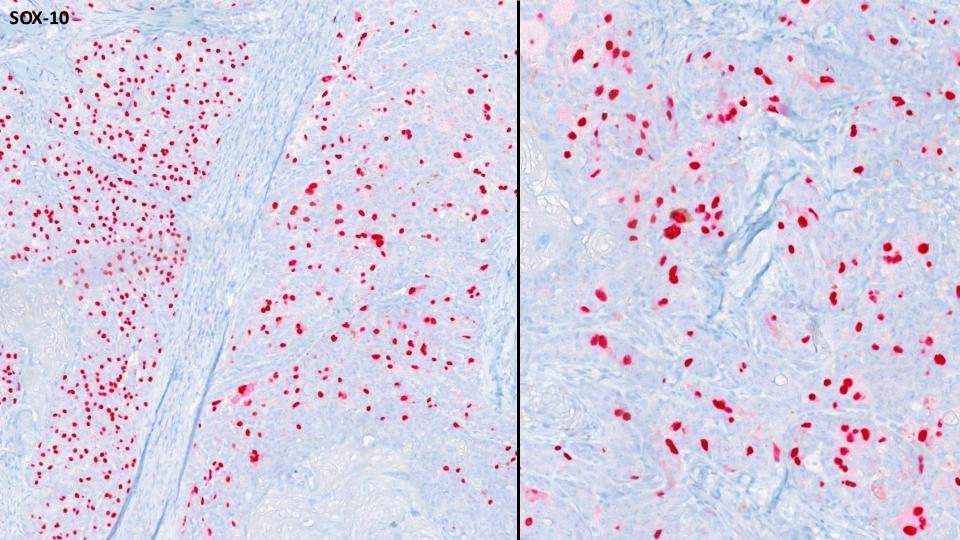


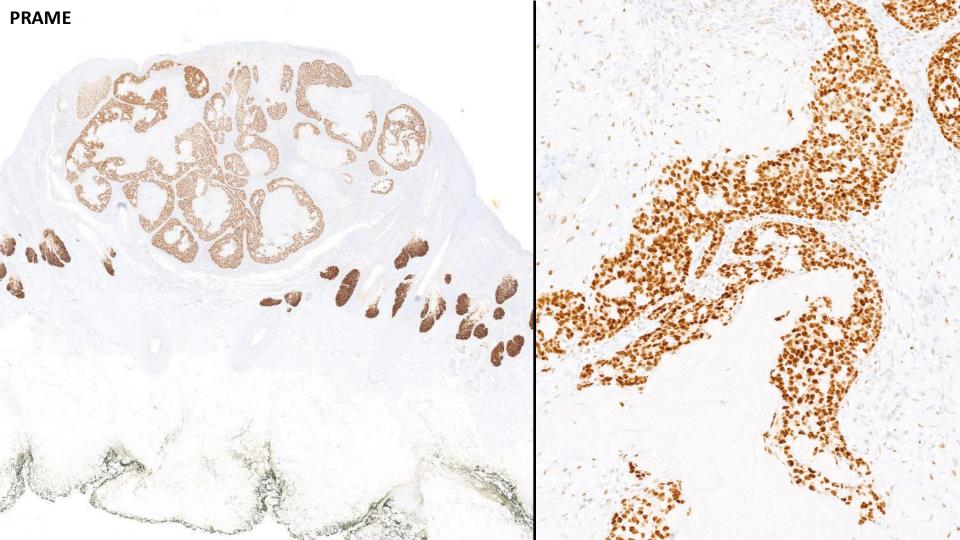














CASE STUDY

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Melanocytic Matricoma with Melanocytic Atypia

- Exophytic neoplasm, predominantly matrical cells
- Matrical cells with mild pleomorphism & hyperchromasia
- Brisk mitoses in matrical cells
- Dendritic and epithelioid melanocytes, single ± nested
- Melanocytes with increased nuclear size, vesicular nuclei, prominent nucleoli, mitoses
 - Melanocyte hyperplasia along DEJ in first case

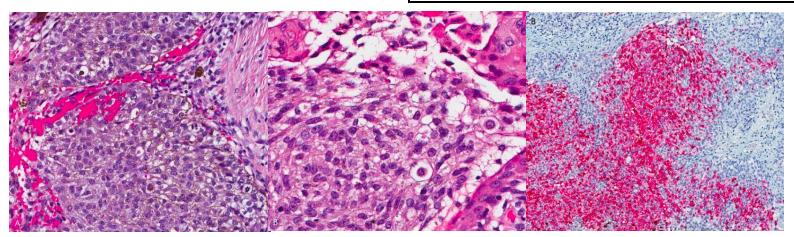
EXTRAORDINARY CASE REPORT

Melanocytic Matricoma With Melanocytic Atypia: Report of a Unique Case and Review of the Literature

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Melanocytic matricoma with melanocytic atypia: report of a new case

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Malignant Melanocytic Matricoma

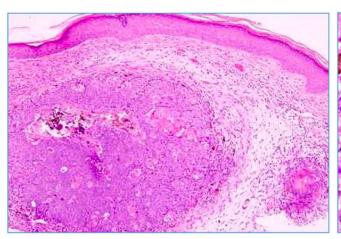
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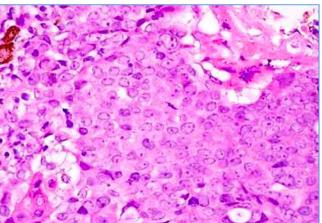
- Architecturally ill-defined multiple nodules, infiltrating or pushing borders
- Focal necrosis
- Surface ulceration

Malignant Melanocytic Matricoma and Criteria for Malignancy

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Answer

• C – Melanocytic matricoma

