CLASSIFICAZIONE CLINICO-PATOLOGICA DEI LINFOMI CUTANEI

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Kempf & Sander, 2011

^{*}Phenotype (by definition): T-cell receptor α/β chain positive. †List restricted to cutaneous lymphomas in the WHO classification (4th edn). ‡Provisional International Classification of Diseases (ICD)-O Code.

Review article

WHO-EORTC classification for cutaneous lymphomas

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Primary cutaneous lymphomas are currently classified by the European Organization for Research and Treatment of Cancer (EORTC) classification or the World Health Organization (WHO) classification, but both systems have shortcomings. In particular, differences in the classification of cutaneous T-cell lymphomas other than mycosis fungoides, Sézary syndrome, and the group of primary cutaneous CD30+ lymphoproliferative disorders and the classification and terminology of different types of cutaneous B-cell lymphomas have resulted in considerable debate and confusion. During recent consensus meetings representatives of both systems reached agreement on a new classification, which is now called the WHO-EORTC classification. In this paper we describe the characteristic features of the different primary cutaneous lymphomas and other hematologic neoplasms frequently presenting in the skin, and discuss differences with the previous classification schemes. In addition, the relative frequency and survival data of 1905 patients with primary cutaneous lymphomas derived from Dutch and Austrian registries for primary cutaneous lymphomas are presented to illustrate the clinical significance of this new classification. (Blood. 2005;105:3768-3785)

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PATCH STAGE





ERYTHRODERMA









PLAQUE STAGE

TUMOR STAGE

STAGING/CLASSIFICATION OF MF/SS

MF	MF Cooperative Group 1979 ISCL- EORTC 2007								
	Т	N	M		T	N	M	В	
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a=patch only B=patch and plaque

Olsen E, Vonderheid E, Pimpinelli N, et al for ISCL/EORTC. BLOOD, 2007











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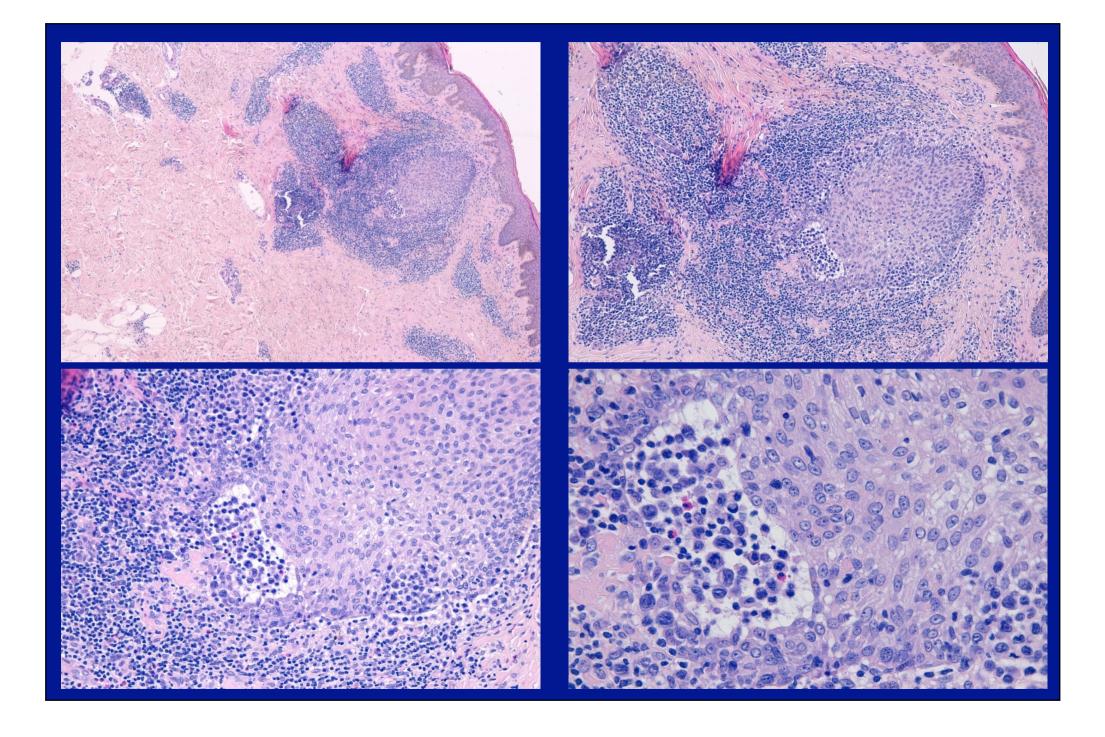












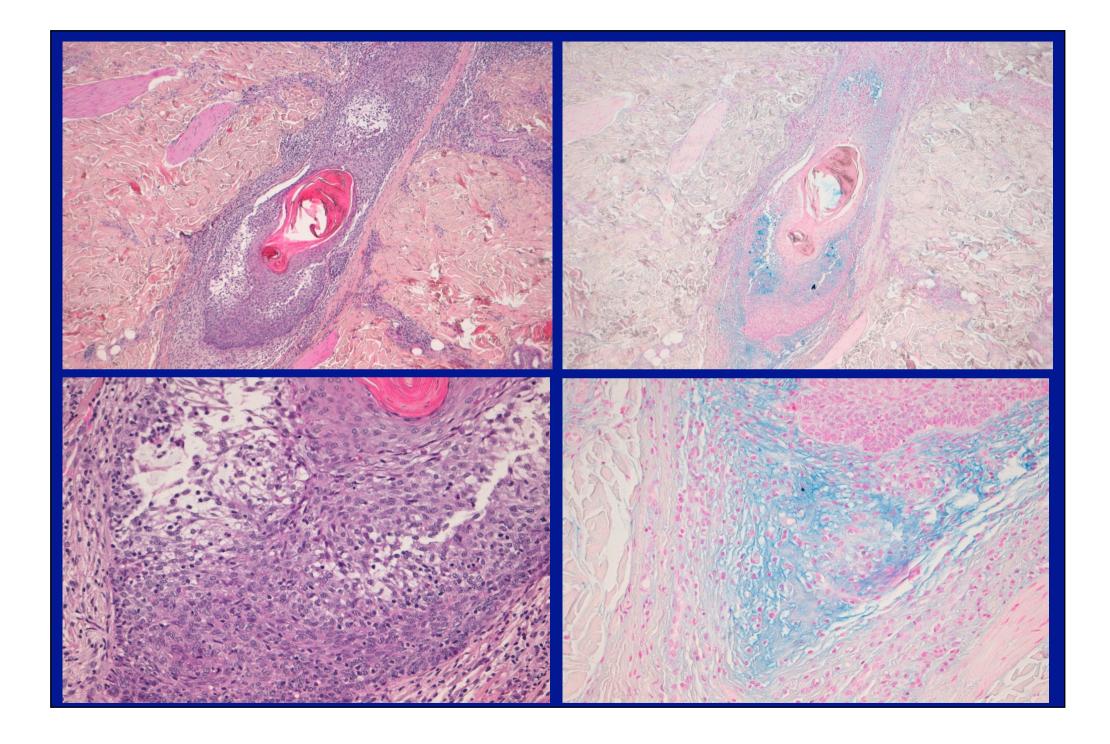


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SPECTRUM OF CD30+ LYMPHOPROLIFERATIVE DISORDERS

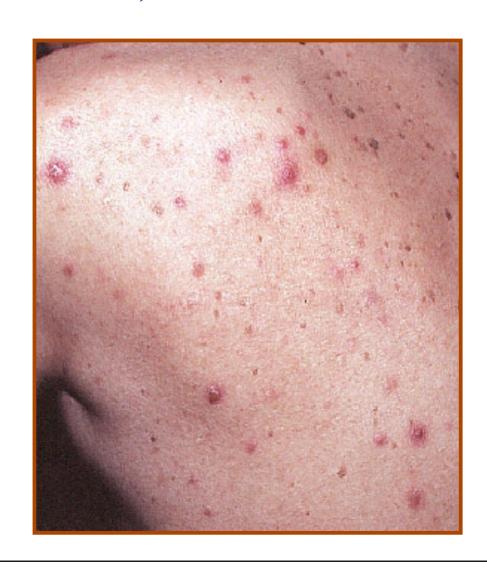
 CD30 antigen expression by neoplastic cells (variable numbers) AT PRESENTATION

Spontaneous regression of skin lesions (partial to complete)

Favourable prognosis (>90% 5-year survival)

Lymphomatoid Papulosis (Clinical Features)

- Age: 30-50 yrs. (rare in children)
- M:F=1.5:1
- Papular, papulonecrotic, and/or nodular skin lesions at different stages of development
- Spontaneous regression of individual lesions within 3-6 weeks
- Trunk and limbs



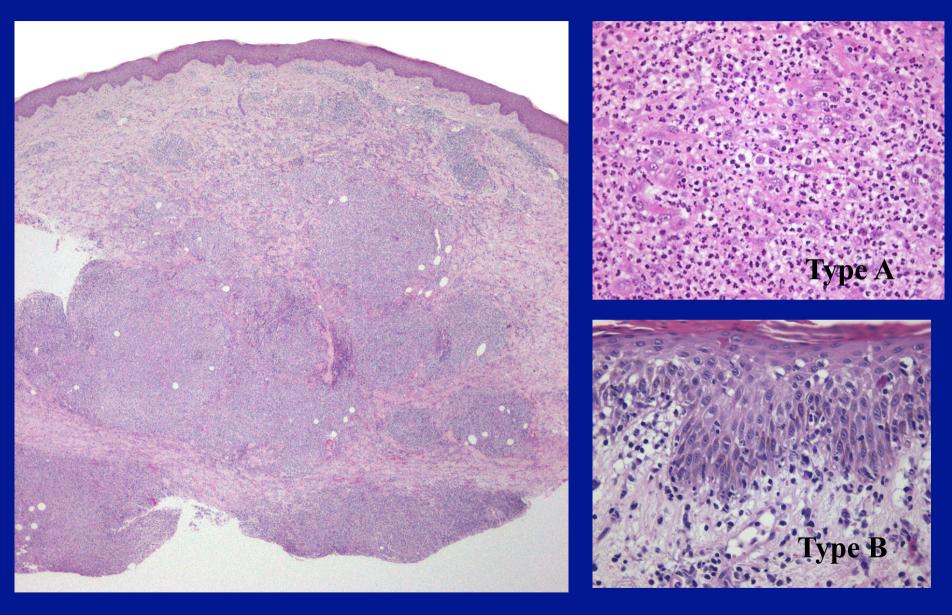








Lymphomatoid Papulosis



Type C (ALCL-like), Type D (epidermotropic aggressive CD8+ PTL-like), Type E (angiocentric) ...

Primary Cutaneous ALCL (CD30+)

Age: 16-89 yrs (mean 60 yrs); M:F=2:1

 Solitary or localized (ulcerating) nodules or tumors

 Complete or partial regression in up 25% of patients

 Regional lymph node involvement in up 20% of patients

 Rare involvement of internal organs

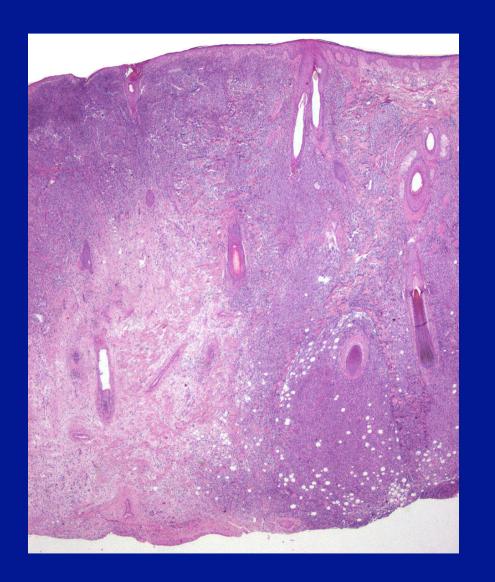




CD30+ anaplastic large cell CTCL







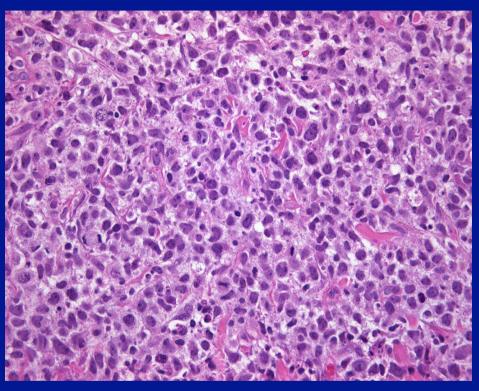


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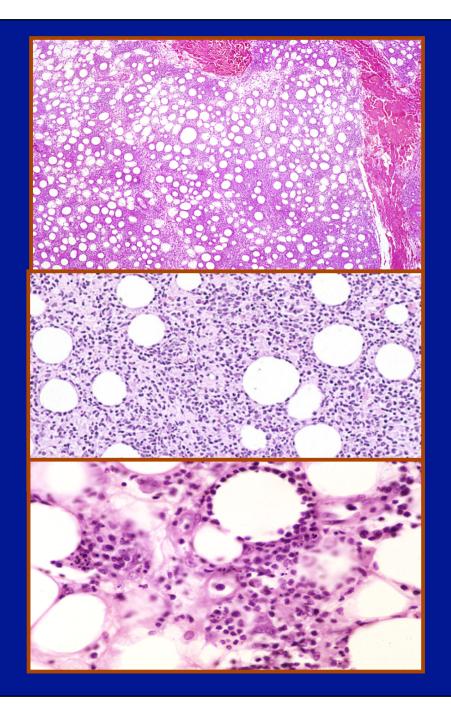
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SUBCUTANEOUS PANNICULITIS-LIKE T-CELL LYMPHOMA

Clinical presentation and course: subcutaneous plaques and/or nodules mainly involving the lower extremities, rarely undergoing ulceration, seldom accompanied by fever and associated with hemophagocytic sy. Mostly indolent course; if not, consider transplantation procedures.





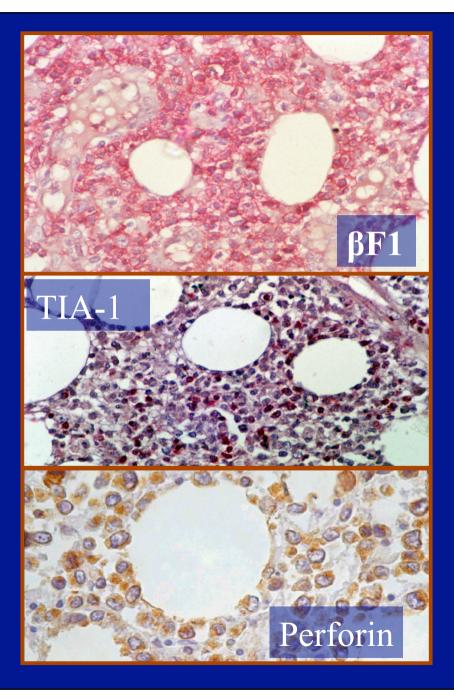


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CD4+ pleomorphic small/medium -sized

Clinical presentation:
plaques or nodules more
often isolated
Histology: small/medium
sized, pelomorphic, CD4+
T-cells
Course and treatment:
indolent course, RT or
surgery

D.D. pseudoCTCL



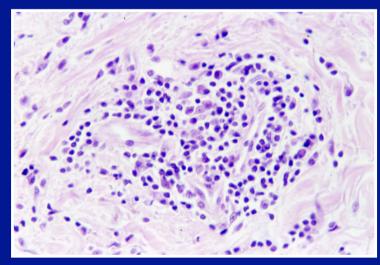
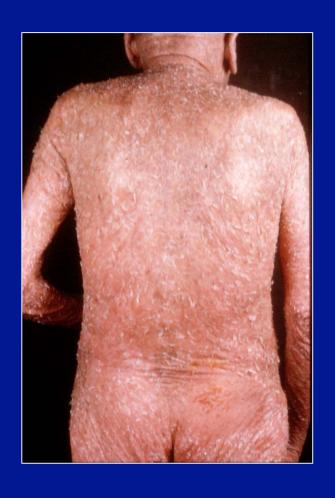


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Sézary Syndrome

SEZARY SYNDROME (stage IVA) vs. MF (stage I-III) ISCL criteria

Hematologic criteria:

- Sézary cells count >1000/mm³
- CD4/CD8 ratio > 10
- deficit pan-T cell markers (CD2,CD3,CD4,CD5)
- CD4+CD7- and/or CD4+/CD26- cells >33%
- Sézary cells >20% total lymph. count + clonality (SB, PCR)
- T-cell clone with chromosomal aberrancies

Vonderheid EC et al. (ISCL) 2002; Olsen E et al. (ISCL) 2007

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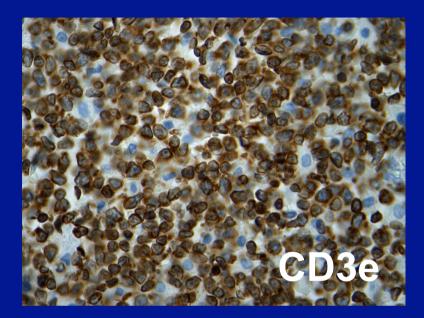
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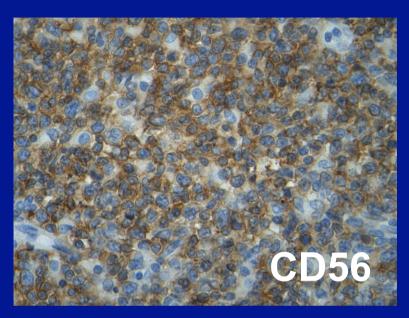
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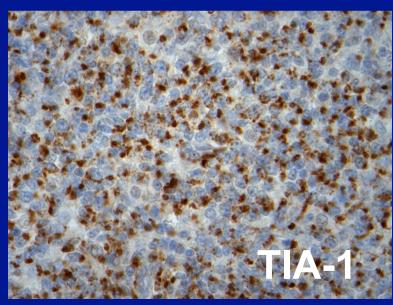
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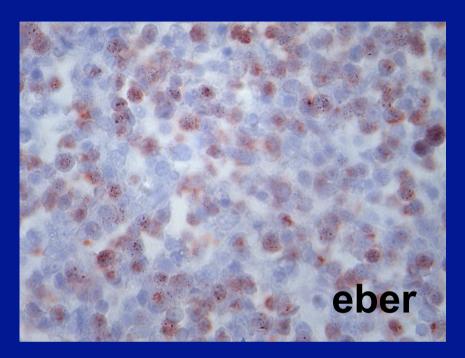












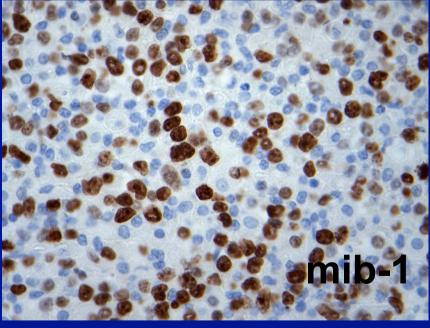


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PTL-U (CD8+ epidermotropic aggressive CTCL)

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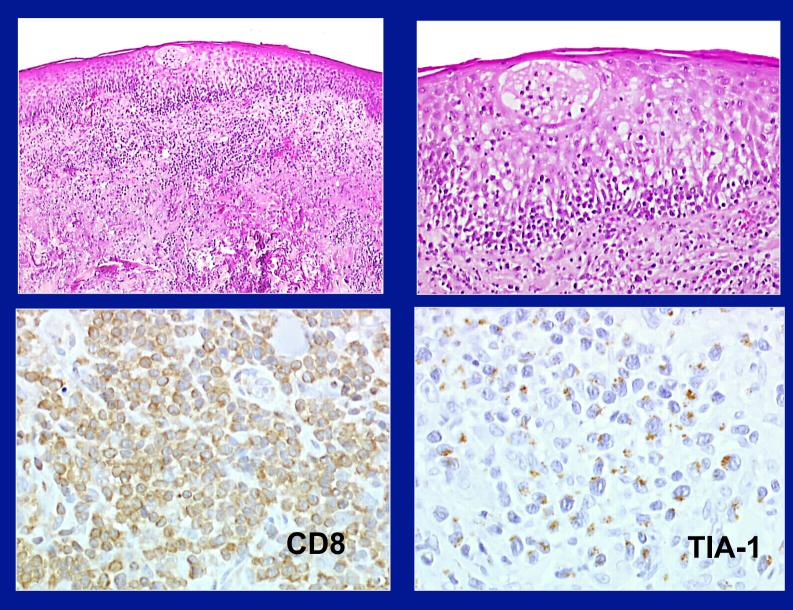


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Cutaneous γ/δ T-cell Lymphoma

- Disseminated plaques and/ or ulceronecrotic nodules or tumors, particularly on the extremities
- Involvement of mucosal and other extranodal sites frequent; involvement of lymph nodes, spleen or bone marrow uncommon
- Median survival: ≈ 15 months





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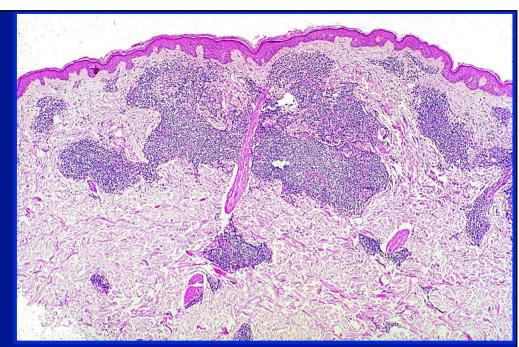
- Most commonly affects adults aged >40 years, with a slight male gender prevalence
- Predominantly localized on the extremities and trunk, less often on the head & neck; multifocal skin lesions frequently observed (\approx 70%)
- MZL presents with erythematous to cianotic papules, plaques or nodules; subcutaneous involvement uncommon
- Ulceration and extracutaneous dissemination uncommon
- Very good prognosis (99% 5-year survival)

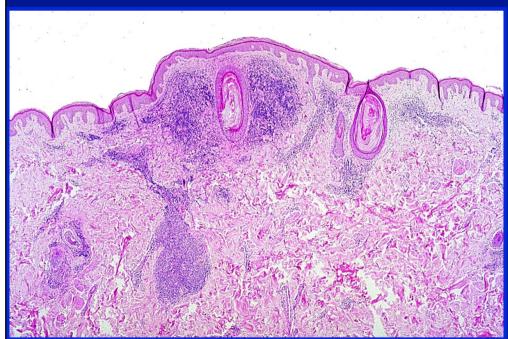


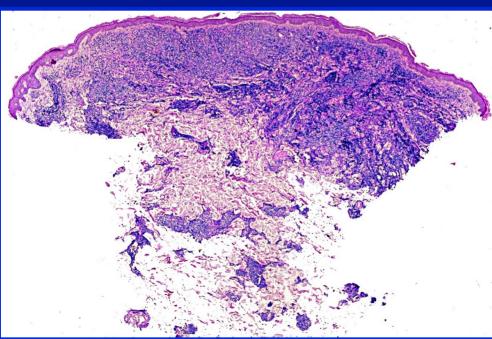




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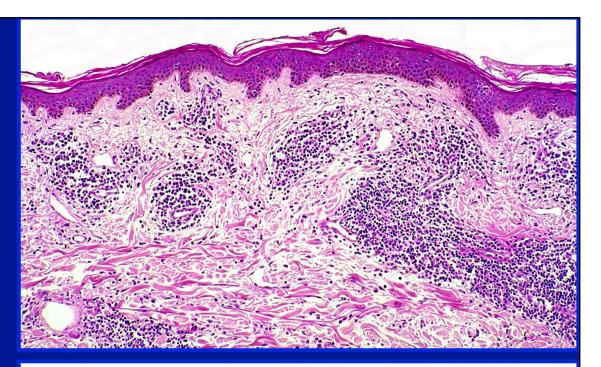


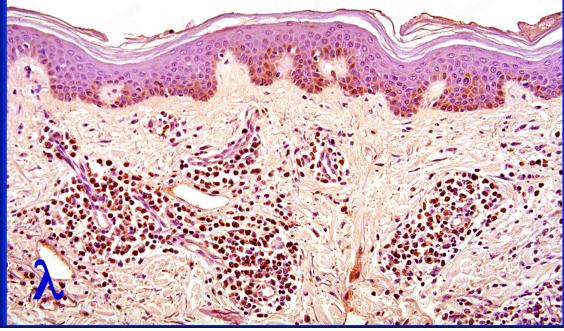


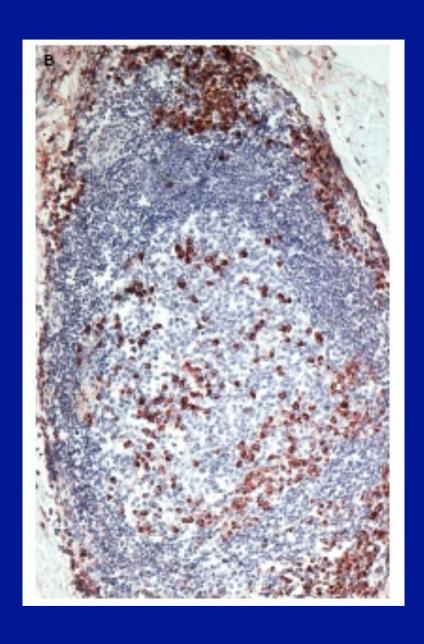


Marginal Zone B-cell Lymphoma

- ✓ Infiltrates are composed of small lymphocytes, centrocyte-like cells, and plasma cells admixed with variable numbers of centroblast-, and immunoblast-like cells
- ✓ The plasma cells are located at the periphery of the infiltrates
- ✓ Tumor cells are monotypic cIg⁺, CD79a⁺, CD5⁻, CD10⁻







"colonization" of lymphoid follicles

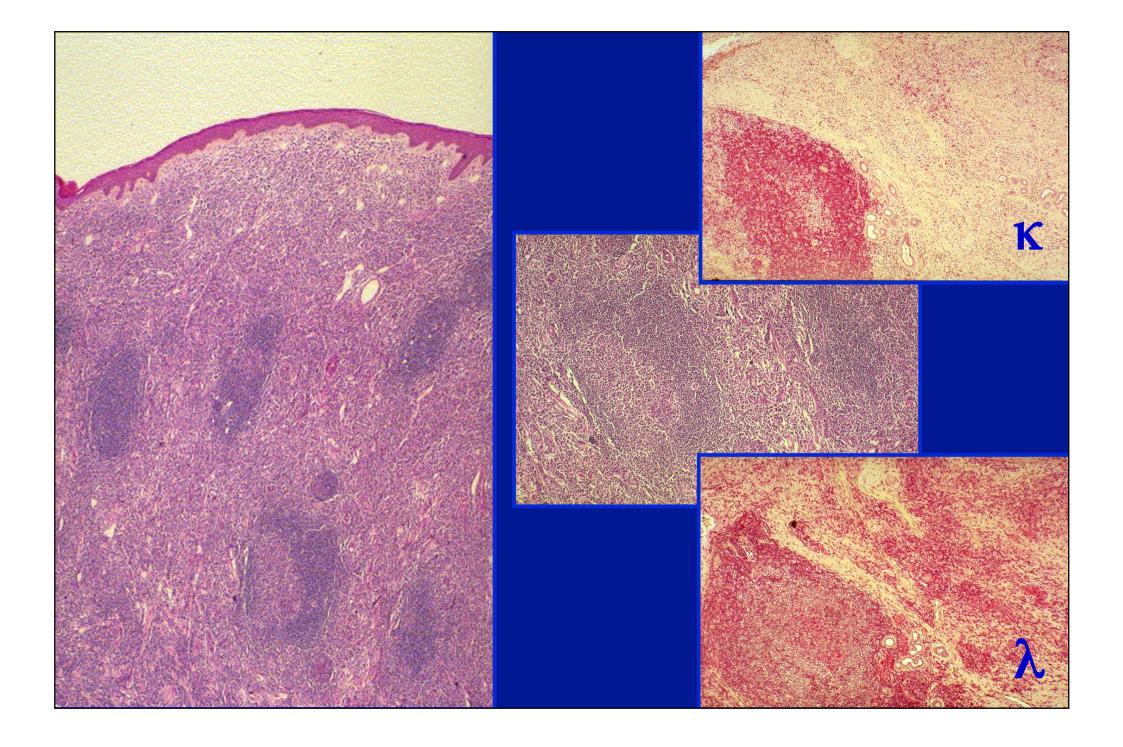


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FOLLICLE CENTRE B-CELL LYMPHOMA Epidemiology, Clinical Features, and Prognosis

- Most commonly affects adults aged >50 years, with a slight male gender prevalence
- Predominantly localized on the trunk and head & neck; multifocal skin lesions unfrequently observed (<20%)
- FCL presents with erythematous to cianotic papules, plaques or nodules; typical, multiphasic evolution: possible, rapid growth of large tumours extenting into subcutaneous fat after months to years
- Ulceration possible, extracutaneous dissemination uncommon
- Very good prognosis

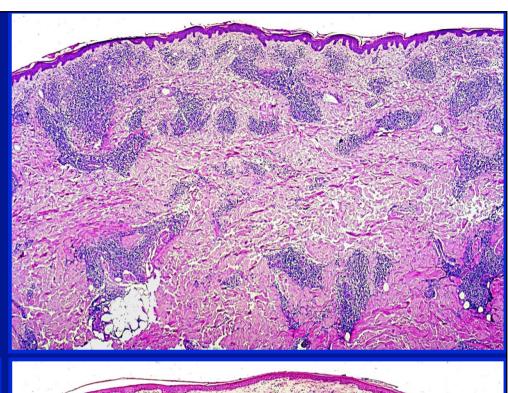


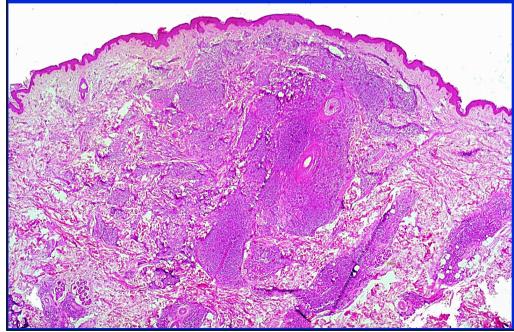


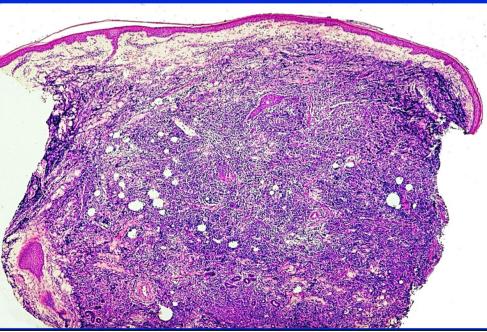


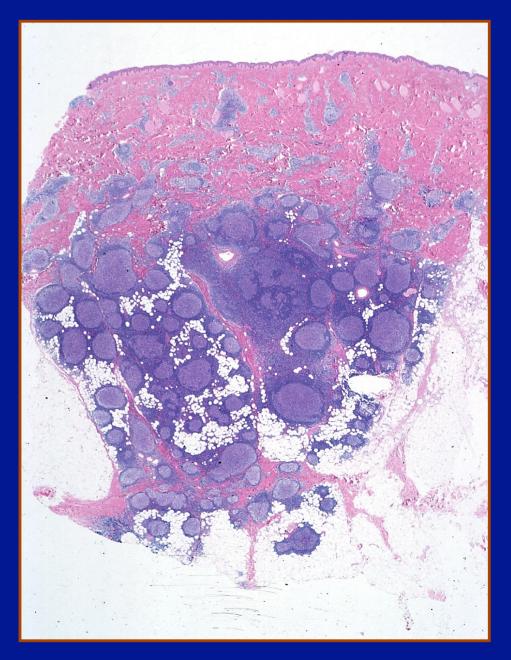


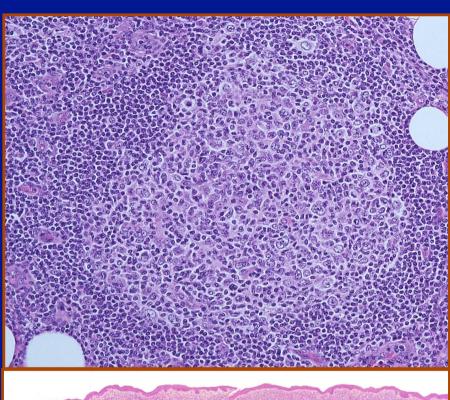
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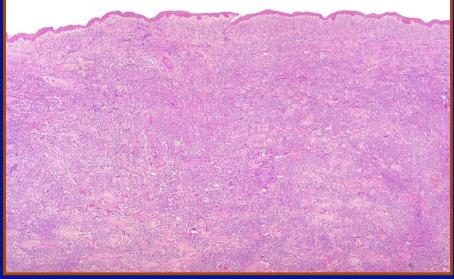






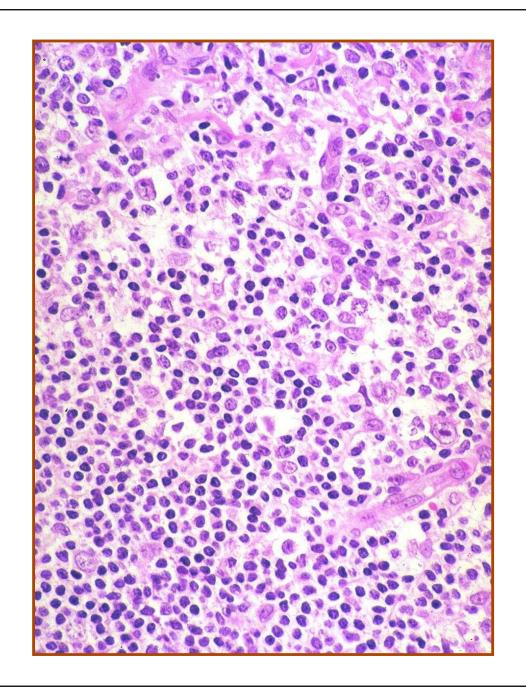






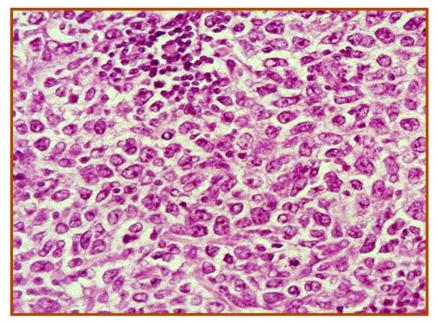
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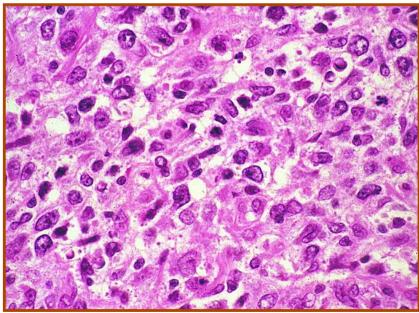
- Small and early lesions contain a mixture of small cleaved cells (centrocytes), relatively few noncleaved cells (centroblasts), and many reactive T cells
- Large cleaved cells (centrocytes), often multilobated, are a common feature



Follicle Centre Lymphoma

- With progression to tumorous lesions, neoplastic cells increase both in number and size, whereas the number of tumor infiltrating T cells decreases
- Tumorous skin lesions generally show a fairly monotonous infiltrate of large cleaved/multilobated cells, with variable admixture of centroblasts and immunoblasts





Follicle Centre Lymphoma

Immunoprofile

- •Neoplastic B cells express CD19, CD20, CD22, CD79a and show monotypic sIg (the lack of detectable sIg is common in tumorous lesions with large cell histology)
- •Follicles are associated with follicular dendritic cells (positive for **CD21**, CD23, CD35)
- •FCLs are generally bcl6+, variably express CD10, rarely (and faintly) express the bcl-2 protein, and are CD5, CD43, IgM, Fox-P1, and MUM-1/IRF4 negative

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DIFFUSE LARGE B-CELL LYMPHOMA, LEG-TYPE Epidemiology, Clinical Features, and Prognosis

- Most commonly affects adults aged >70 years, with a clearcut female gender prevalence
- Predominantly localized on the legs (one or both, most often below the knee); rare lesions elsewhere ($\approx 10\%$)
- DLBCL, LT presents with erythematous to cianotic plaques, nodules or tumors; rapid growth from the beginning
- Ulceration frequent, extracutaneous dissemination common
- Intermediate prognosis (55% 5-year survival; 40% vs > 90% when stratified multiple vs single lesion)









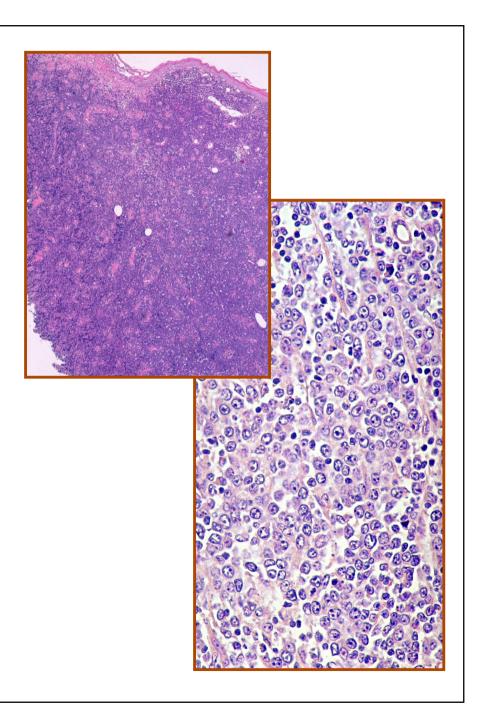






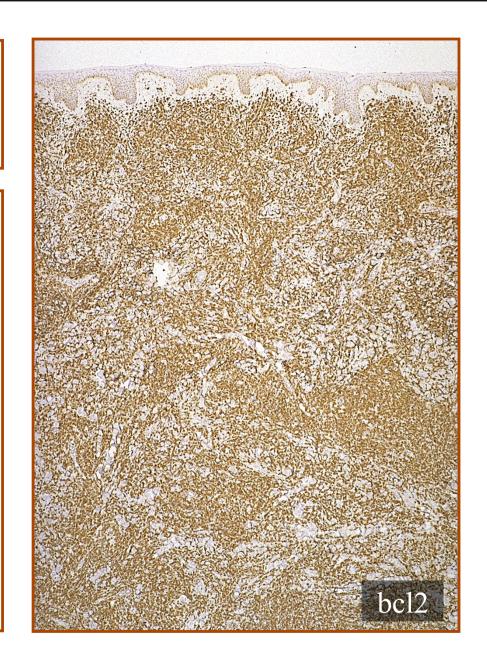
Diffuse Large B-cell Lymphoma, leg type

- •Diffuse monotonous nonepidermotropic infiltrates composed of large B cells (confluent sheets of centroblasts and immunoblasts
- Frequent mitotic figures
- •Reactive T cells few and confined to perivascular areas



Diffuse Large B-cell Lymphoma, leg type

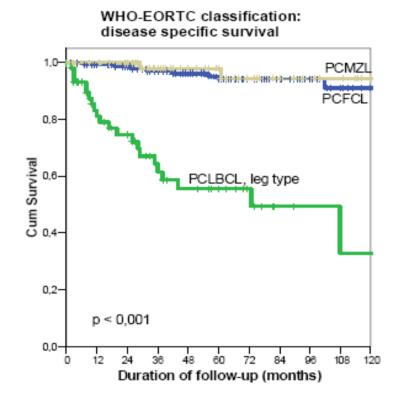
- The tumor cells express monotypic sIg/cIg, CD19, CD20, CD22, and CD79a
- Tumor cells are: bcl-2++ (strong and in most neoplastic cells), bcl6+/-, CD10-, MUM1/IRF4+ (activated B-cell gene expression profile), FOXP1+, and IgM+
- Absence of the t(14;18) translocation



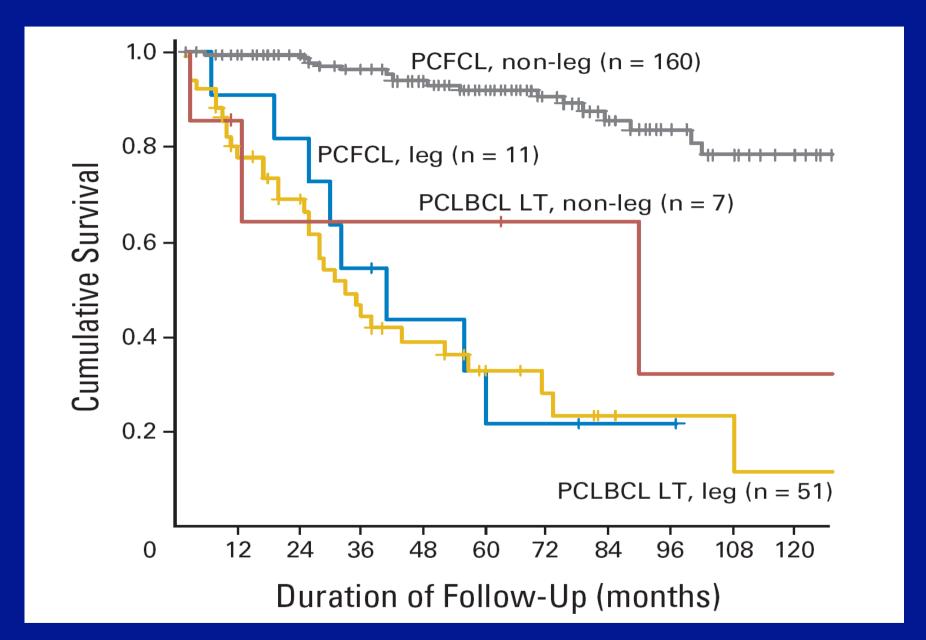
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Table 1. Histologic features.				
Histopathologic features	PCFCCL	PCDLBCL-NOS	PCDLBCL-LT	Р
Cytology	Prevalence of small to large, cleaved cells (centrocytes)	Prevalence of round, nucleolated cells (centro- blasts, rarely immunoblasts)	Almost exclusively round, nucleolated cells (centro- blasts and immunoblasts)	_
Reactive T cells	Present	Present	Very scanty	_
Growth pattern (%)	Nodular to diffuse	Typically diffuse	Diffuse	NA
Nodular	33/96 (34)	0/40 (0)	0/25 (0)	
Nodular/diffuse	39/96 (41)	15/40 (38)	0/25 (0)	
Diffuse	24/96 (25)	25/40 (62)	25/25 (100)	
Dendritic meshwork, present (%)	80/96 (83)	11/40 (27) ¹	1/25 (4)1	<0.001
Infiltrate extension (%)				<0.001
Dermic	44/96 (46)	22/40 (55)	0/25 (0)	
Dermic/hypodermic	52/96 (54)	18/40 (45)	25/25 (100)	
Skin ulceration (%)	0/96 (0)	4/40 (10)	4/25 (16)	NA
Adnexal effacement, present (%)	3/96 (3)	6/40 (15)	10/25 (40)	NA
Necrosis	0/96 (0)	2/40 (5)	4/25 (16)	NA
Nuclear debris	0/96 (0)	4/40 (10)	15/25 (60)	NA
Starry sky appearance	0/96 (0)	0/40 (0)	11/25 (44)	NA
BCL2, +/total (%)	29/96 (30)	16/40 (40)	19/25 (76)	<0.001
CD10, +/total (%)	57/96 (59)	11/40 (27)	0/25 (0)	< 0.001
BCL6, +/total (%)	84/96 (87)	33/40 (82)	14/25 (56)	0.001
MUM1, +/total (%)	0/96 (0)	14/40 (40)	20/25 (80)	0.004
HGAL, +/total (%)	50/54 (93)	9/40 (22)	1/25 (4)	< 0.001
MYC, +/total (%)	0/40 (0)	10/21 (48)	11/13 (85)	<0.001
Ki67 median % (range)	30 (10-90)	50 (10–90)	70 (50–90)	_
Histogenetic profile, GC/total (%)	96/96 (100)	26/40 (65)	5/25 (20)	<0.001
DHS (%)				All: <0.001
0–1	NA	16/24	5/18	NOS vs. LT: 0.28
2	NA	8/24	13/18	
BCL2 translocation +/total (%)	15/75 (20)	3/27 (11)	1/20 (5)	0.234
BCL2 status (p)	(<0.001)	(0.273)	(1)	_
FISH+/IHC+ (%)	11/23 (48)	3/17 (17)	1/17 (6)	
FISH+/IHC- (%)	4/52 (8)	0/10 (0)	0/3 (0)	
EBV, +/total (%)	NA	0/15 (0)	0/20 (0)	NA

Table 2. Clinical features.				
Clinical presentation	PCFCCL	PCDLBCL-NOS	PCDLBCL-LT (%)	Р
Male/female (ratio)	53/43 (1.23)	27/13 (2.08)	17/8 (2.12)	0.432
Mean age (range)	54 (27-86)	63 (26-90)	76 (54-92)	< 0.001
Number of lesions (%)				
Single lesion	67/96 (70)	27/40 (68)	18/25 (72)	0.889
Multiple lesions	29/96 (30)	13/40 (32)	6/25 (24)	
Diffuse	0/96 (0)	0/40 (0)	1/25 (4)	
Site involved (%)				
Head and neck	38/96 (40)	7/40 (17)	0/25 (0)	< 0.001
Trunk	47/96 (49)	20/40 (50)	3/25 (12)	0.002
Upper limbs	8/96 (8)	8/40 (20)	1/25 (4)	NA
Lower limbs	7/96 (7)	9/40 (22)	21/25 (84)	< 0.001
Type of lesion (%)				
Nodule/tumor	64/96 (67)	27/40 (67)	18/25 (72)	0.878
Plaque	17/96 (18)	10/40 (25)	5/25 (20)	0.625
Patch	4/96 (4)	1/40 (3)	2/25 (8)	NA
Papule	5/96 (5)	0/40 (0)	0/25 (0)	NA
Variable	6/96 (6)	2/40 (5)	0/25 (0)	NA
Therapy and follow-up				
First-line therapy				
Surgical only	20/96 (21)	2/40 (5)	0/25 (0)	0.004
Radiotherapy	47/96 (49)	15/40 (37)	9/25 (36)	< 0.001
Chemotherapy (±radio)	26/96 (27)	22/40 (55)	15/25 (60)	0.006
Wait and see	3/96 (3)	1/40 (3)	1/25 (4)	NA
Response to therapy (%)				
CR	81/96 (84)	32/40 (80)	13/25 (52)	0.002
PR	15/96 (16)	8/40 (20)	12/25 (48)	
Relapse, /CR (%)	35/81 (43)	13/32 (41)	11/13 (85)	0.015
Extracutaneous relapse, /CR (%)	5/81 (6)	2/32 (6)	1/25 (4)	
Median time to relapse, months (range)	24 (6-156)	26 (5-159)	11 (5-28)	0.156
Follow-up				
ADF	76/96 (79)	25/40 (62)	4/25 (16)	< 0.001
AWD	15/96 (16)	10/40 (25)	8/25 (32)	0.140
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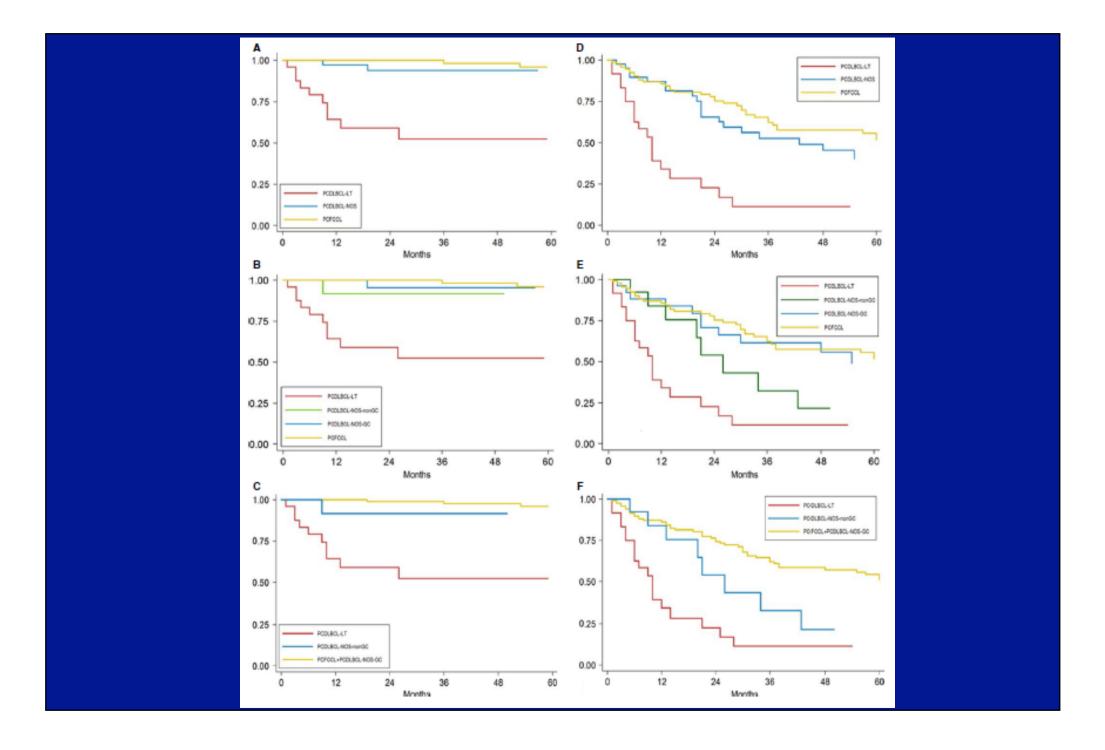
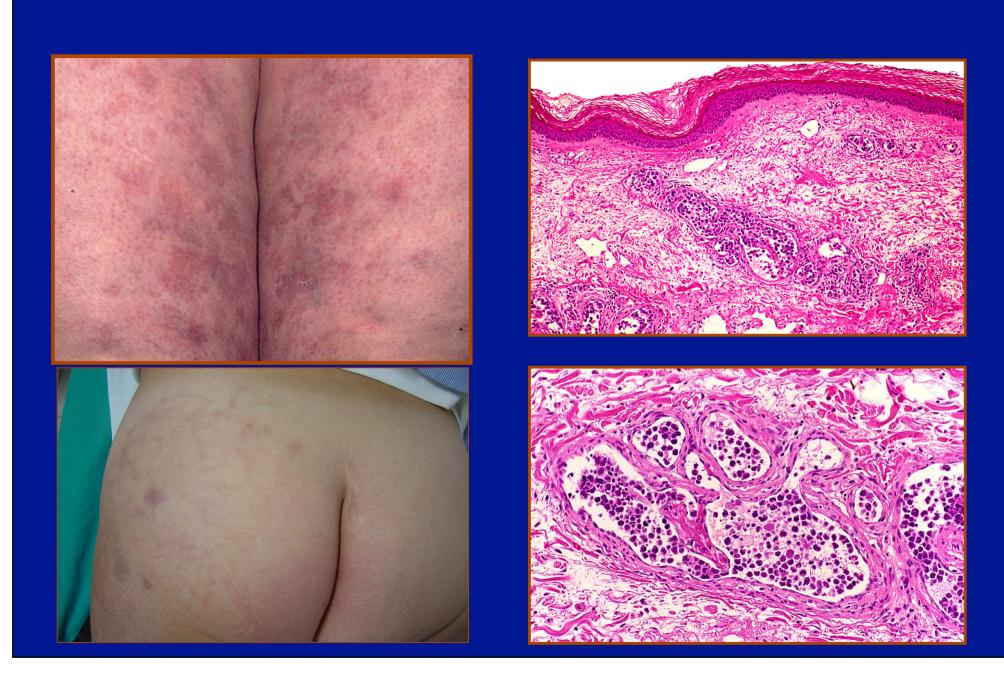


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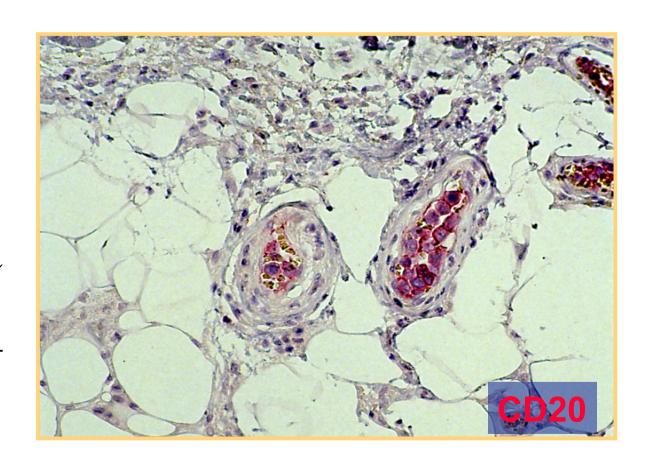
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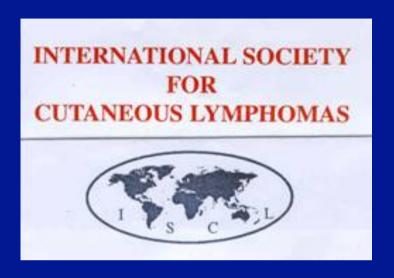
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