

RESPIRATORY SYSTEM-Parts II&III

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OBJECTIVES (after revising previous part)

1. Pleural effusion/Pneumothorax
2. SARS-COV2
3. Obstructive (Emphysema/Chronic bronchitis/Asthma/Bronchiectasis)
4. Tumors of lung and pleura
5. Restrictive diseases
(Fibrosis/Granulomatous/Surfactant dysfunction)

trachea

cartilage

terminal bronchiole

bronchiole

right main (primary) bronchus

lobar bronchus

lobar bronchus

segmental bronchus

bronchi

alveolar ducts

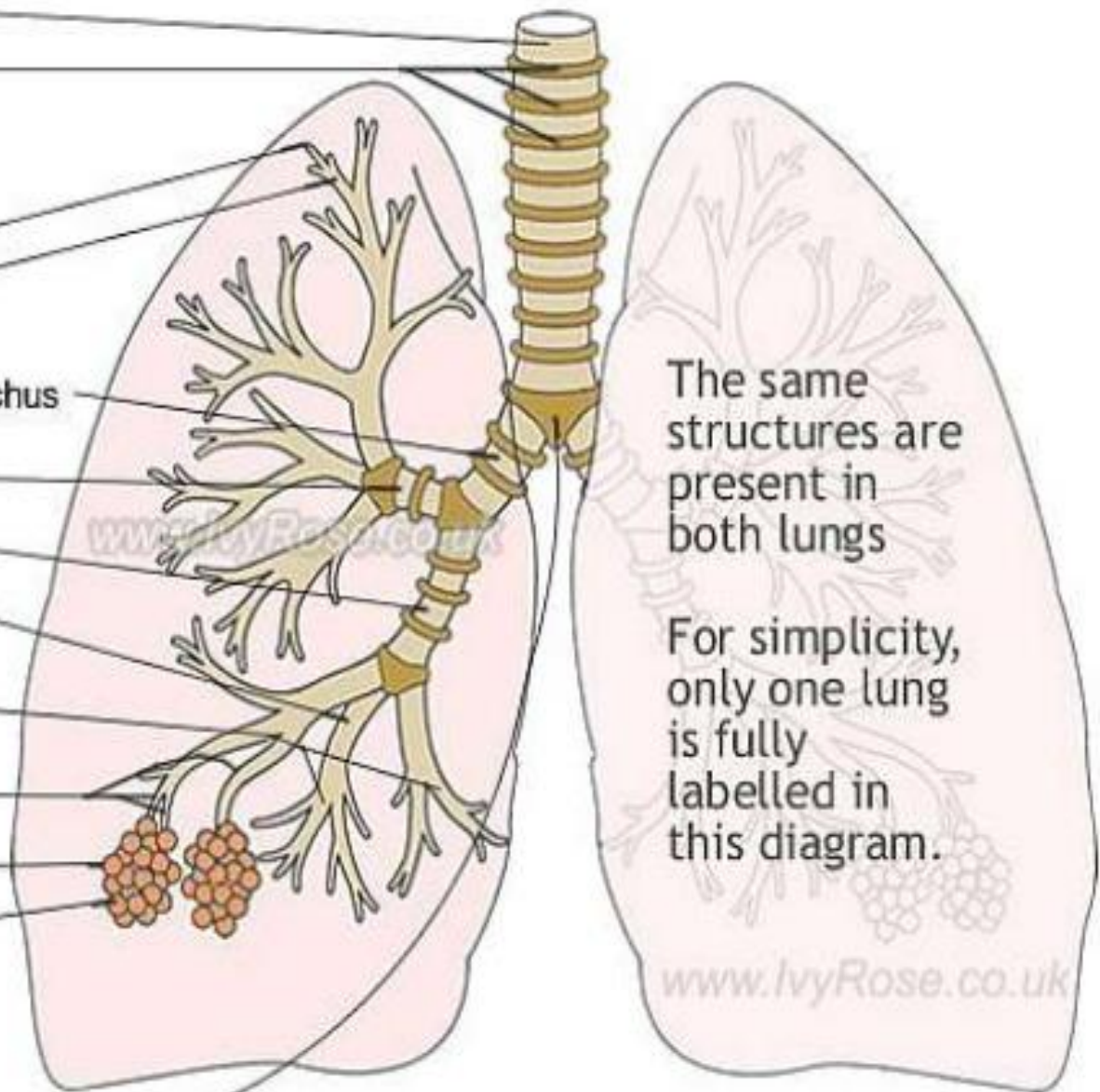
alveolar sac

alveolus

The same structures are present in both lungs

For simplicity, only one lung is fully labelled in this diagram.

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Type I pneumocytes:Extremely thin alveolar cells adapted for gas exchange AND cover 95% of alveolar surface. Susceptible to injury (more than type II)

Type II pneumocytes:cuboidal cells located at corners of the alveolus which produce surfactant, act as progenitor cells for lost type I pneumocytes

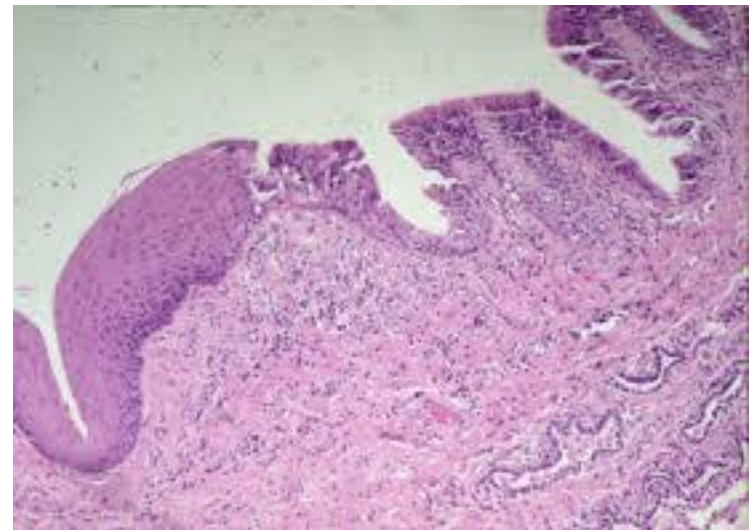
Clara/club cells: non-ciliated cells lining mainly small airways . Progenitor cells to replace damaged ciliated epithelium, for metabolism and detoxification

4 layers of defence

1. mucociliary clearance
2. proteins in lung lining fluid which block, kill or opsonize bacteria which reach lung (defensins etc.)
3. alveolar macrophages
4. recruited cells: neutrophils, lymphocytes and additional macrophages

3 possible sequelae of airway injury

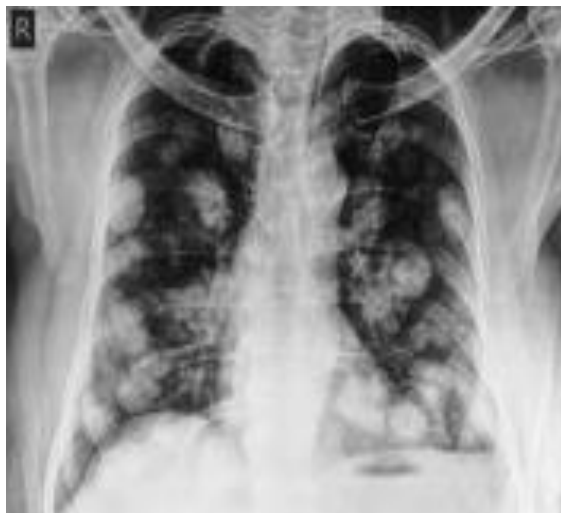
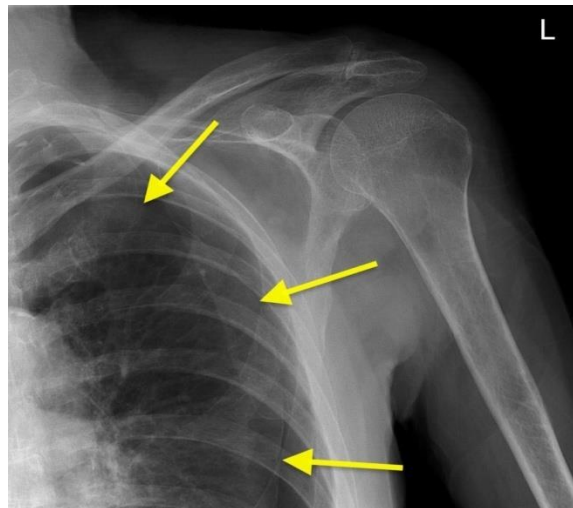
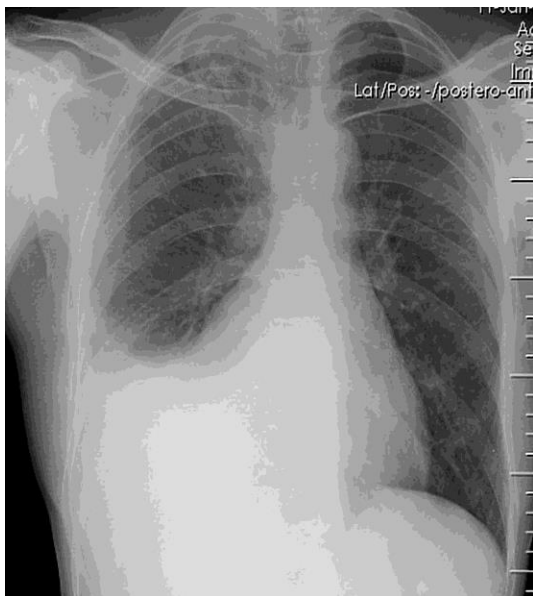
1. repair (Club cells proliferate and repopulate airway epithelium -> differentiate into ciliated cells)
2. bronchiolitis fibrosa obliterans
3. chronic bronchiolitis: mucous or squamous metaplasia, neoplasia



Specimens/Samples received in Pathology

- Sputum
- Bronchoalveolar lavage
- Pleural fluid
- FNAC lymph nodes, lung mass
- Needle/ core biopsies
- Lobectomy
- Post mortem viscera

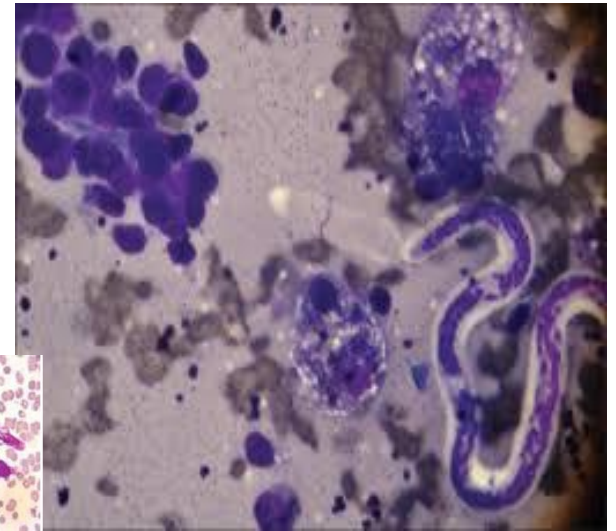
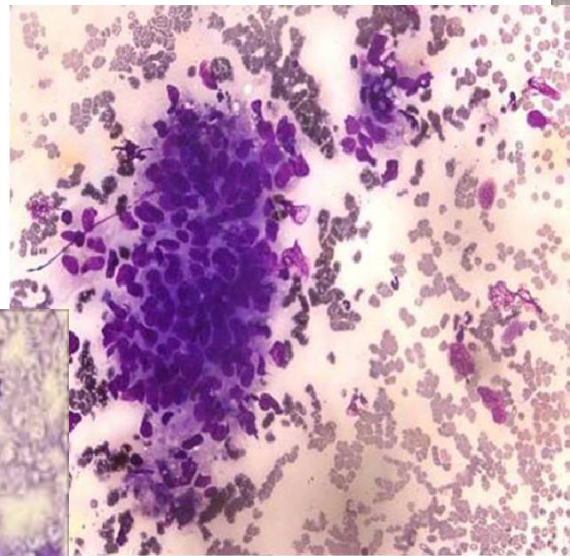
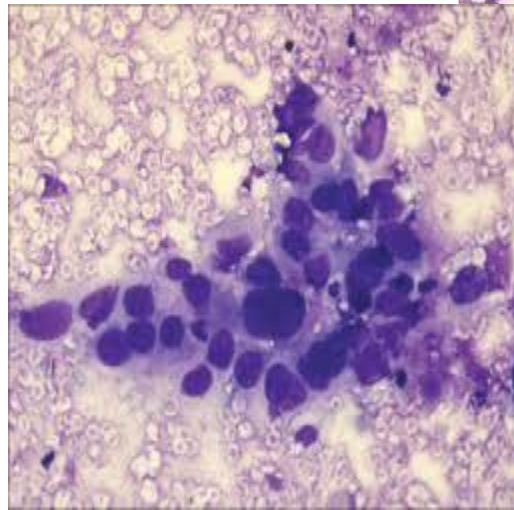
Chest X rays



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PLEURAL EFFUSION/PNEUMOTHORAX

- The potential space between layers of visceral and parietal pleura, containing a capillary layer of serous pleural fluid
- Normally, 10 to 20 mL of pleural fluid, similar in composition to plasma but lower in protein (< 1.5 g/dL), facilitating movement between the lungs and chest wall
- X ray, fluid cytology, fluid biochemical analysis

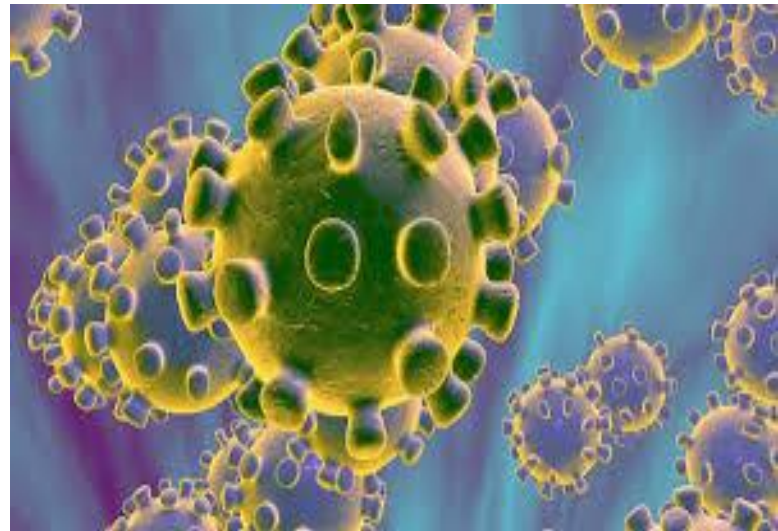


ACUTE LUNG INJURY: ALI

(non cardiogenic pulmonary edema)

- abrupt onset of severe hypoxemia without evidence of heart failure, profound dyspnea
- many cases have lesions of interstitial lung disease and bilateral pulmonary infiltrates
- ARDS is a manifestation of severe ALI

- No proven specific treatment; supportive care and mechanical ventilation in severe cases
- Fatal cases have superimposed bronchopneumonia
- SARS-COV2



Pathogenesis

- Injury to pneumocytes
- Endothelial activation+surfactant abnormality
- TNF, Cytokines, Adhesion molecules etc
- Extravasation of neutrophils, macrophages
- Accumulation of intra-alveolar & interstitial fluid with hyaline membrane formation
- Diffuse alveolar damage+Necrosis
- Resolution may occur resulting in fibrosis

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OBSTRUCTIVE DISEASES

1. mucous, neutrophils fill airway lumen
2. inflammation within bronchiole wall -> predisposes to bronchoconstriction and reactivity
3. inflammation -> edema -> thickening of airway wall -> decreased luminal diameter -> increased airway resistance

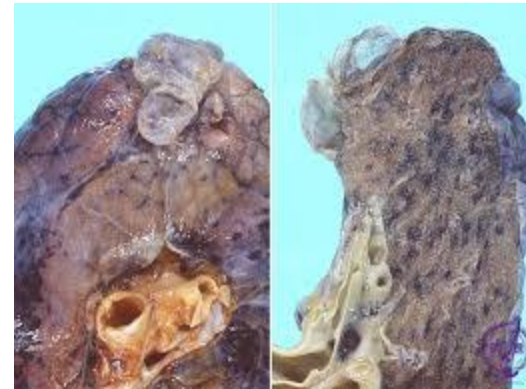
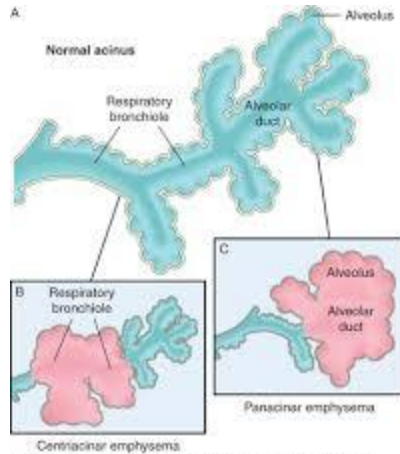
FEV1/FVC < 0.7 indicates obstruction

- Emphysema

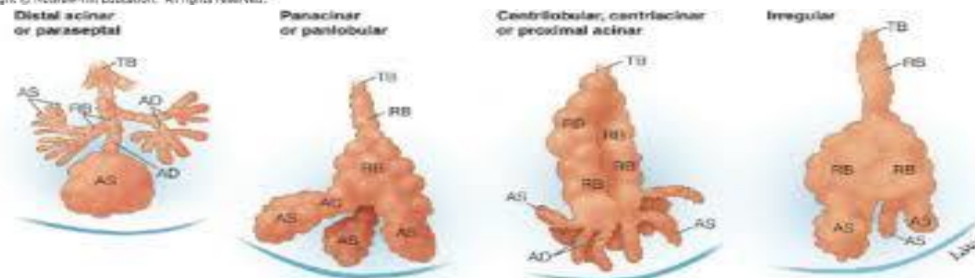
smoking+ similar features: COPD (irreversible)

- Chronic Bronchitis
- Asthma (reversible)
- Bronchiectasis

EMPHYSEMA



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CHRONIC BRONCHITIS	EMPHYSEMA
CLINICAL DIAGNOSIS: DAILY PRODUCTIVE COUGH FOR THREE MONTHS OR MORE IN AT LEAST TWO CONSECUTIVE YEARS	PATHOLOGIC DIAGNOSIS: PERMANENT ENLARGEMENT AND DESTRUCTION OF AIRSPACES DISTAL TO THE TERMINAL BRONCHIOLE
OVERWEIGHT AND CYANOTIC	OLDER AND THIN
ELEVATED HEMOGLOBIN	SEVERE DYSPNOEA
PERIPHERAL EDEMA	X-RAY: HYPERINFLATION WITH FLATTENED DIAPHRAGM
PHYSICAL: BRONCHUS AND WHEZZING	PHYSICAL: FLAT CHEST

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Pathogenesis

- Inflammatory mediators, leukocytes, protease-antiprotease imbalance, oxidants in smoke lead to NRF2 gene inactivation & infection
- Symptoms don't appear until at least one-third of functioning pulmonary parenchyma is damaged

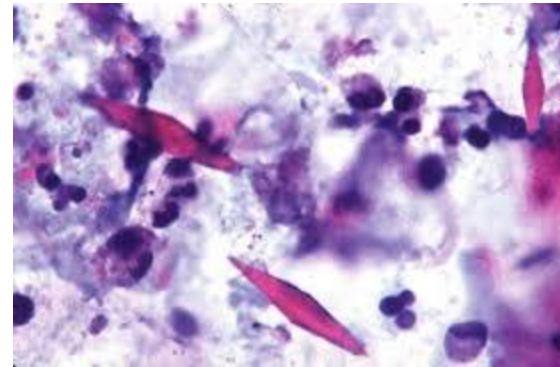
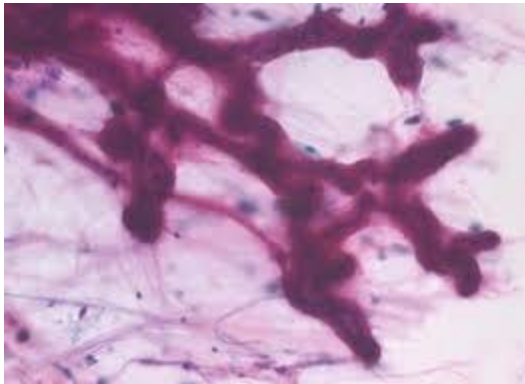
CHRONIC BRONCHITIS

- Clinically persistent cough with sputum production for at least three months in at least two consecutive years in absence of any other identifiable cause
- IL13, marked increase in goblet cells, loss of cilia leading to plug formation
- Reid index is increased (normal is 0.4)

ASTHMA

- It is a chronic disorder of conducting airways, caused by immunological reaction leading to episodic bronchoconstriction and mucus production due to
allergens
smoke
molds
animal dander etc
- Extrinsic/Intrinsic OR Trigger based

- Curschmann spirals, eosinophils, Charcot Leyden crystals (galectin 3) are seen in mucus plugs



BRONCHIECTASIS

- Destruction of smooth muscle and elastic tissue by chronic necrotising infections leading to permanent dilatation of bronchi and bronchioles
- Cystic fibrosis: sodium chloride high in sweat

pancreatic insufficiency - non absorption of fats by the body causing malnutrition and chronic recurrent pulmonary infections and secretions that block airways

productive cough with purulent sputum

- Primary ciliary dyskinesia (Kartagener syndrome with situs inversus)

RESTRICTIVE DISEASES

- disorders caused by pulmonary (pleuritis, pneumoconiosis) or extrapulmonary restriction (obesity, poliomyelitis, kyphoscoliosis) that produce impairment in lung volume expansion and abnormal reduction in pulmonary ventilation
- flows are decreased, exhaled air comes out more slowly (FEV1/FVC remains normal)

- Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis
- Non specific interstitial pneumonia
- Cryptogenic organising pneumonia (BOOP)
- Autoimmune diseases
- Radiation induced
- Surfactant dysregulation (protein C, S)
- Hypersensitivity pneumonitis (farmer's lung etc)
- Sarcoidosis (non necrotising granuloma; Schaumann & Asteroid bodies)
- Pneumoconiosis (coal, silica, asbestos)

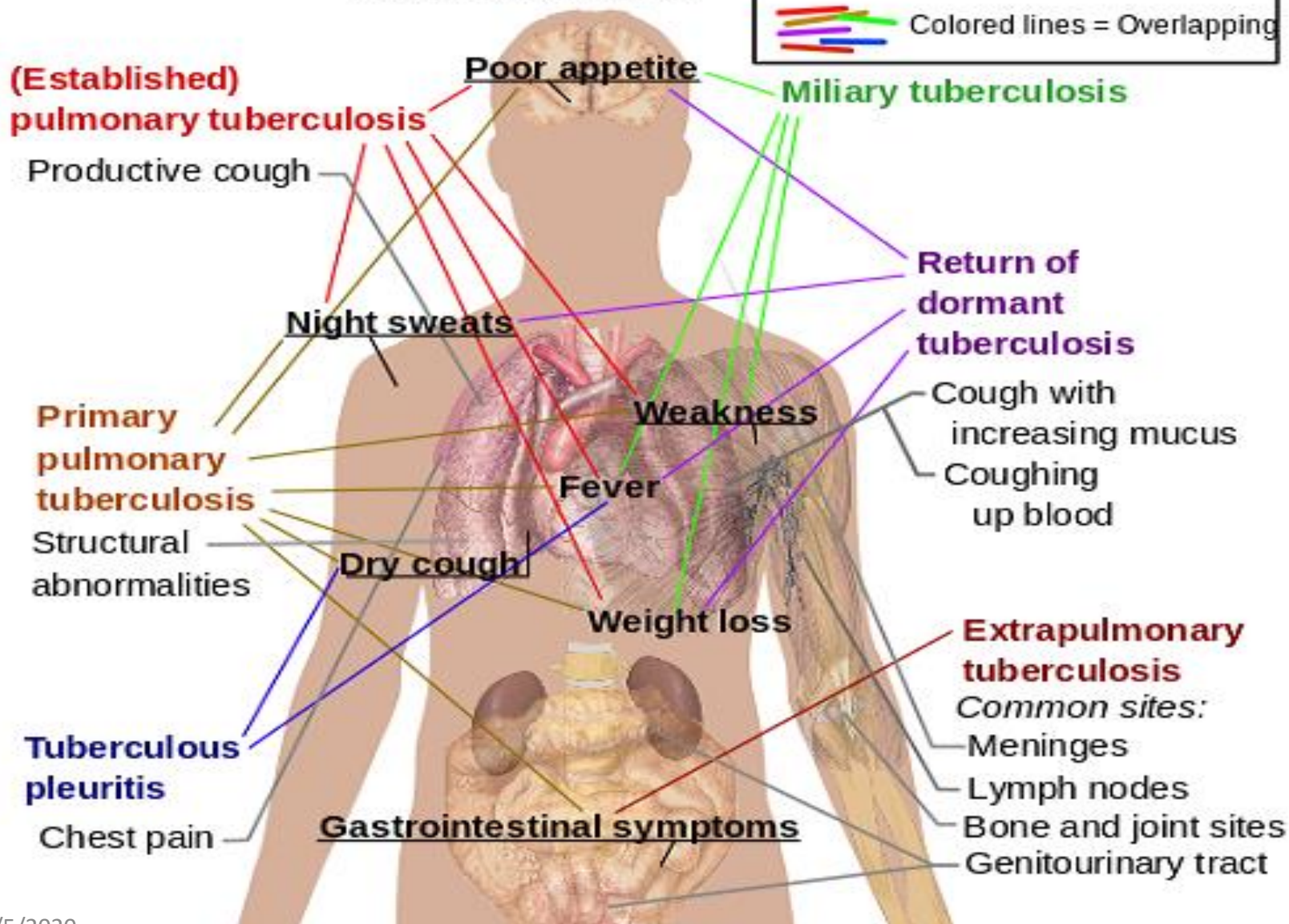
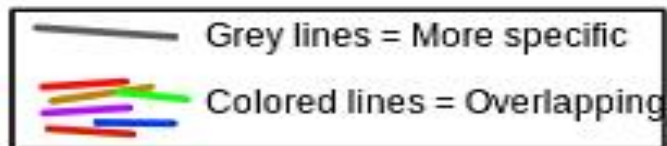
Pathogenesis

Acute: edema & hyaline membrane formation

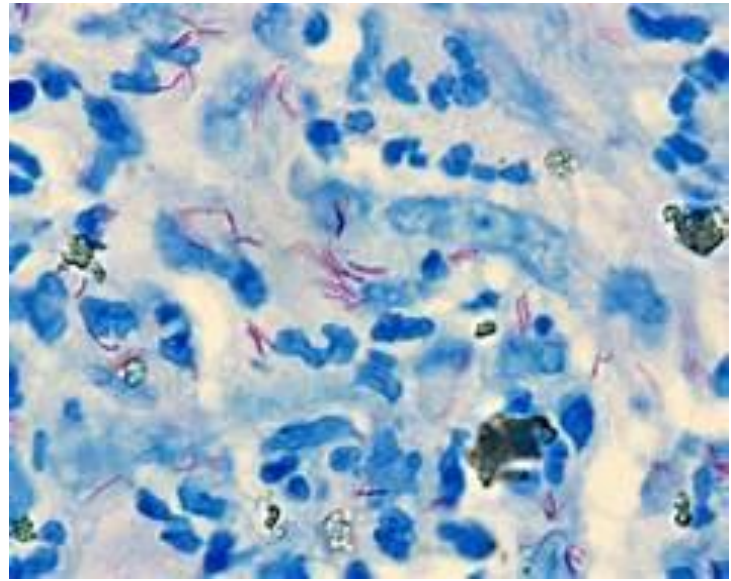
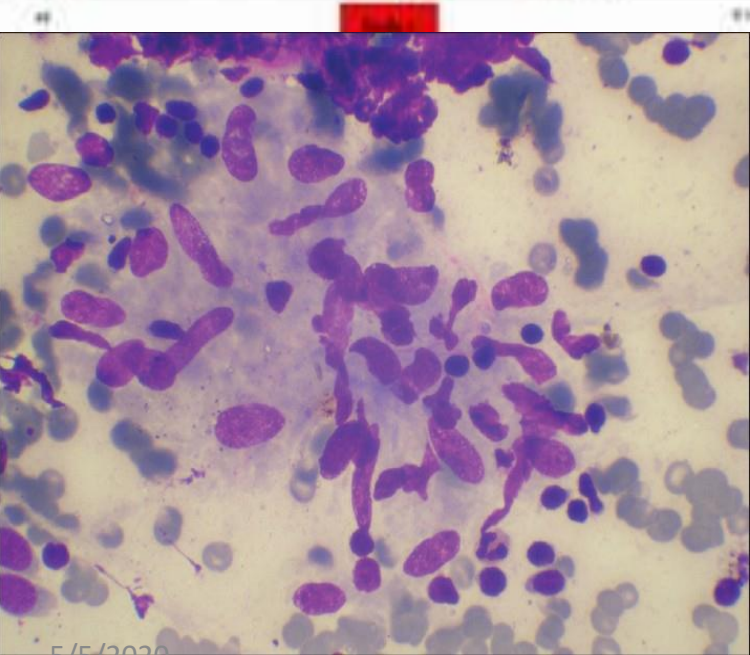
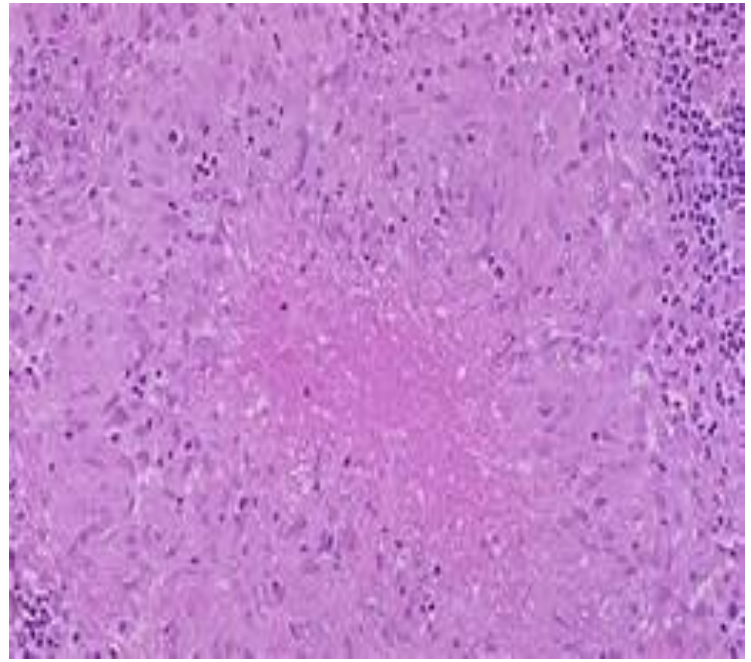
Subacute to Chronic: proliferation of type II pneumocytes and interstitial fibrosis

- interstitial fibrosis is a permanent impediment to lung function-honeycomb lung

Symptoms of Tuberculosis



Fibro-caseous TB of both superior lobes with cavitations on the Rt. side



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MEDIASTINAL MASSES

- In adults, thymomas and lymphomas (both Hodgkin and non-Hodgkin) are the most common anterior lesions, lymph node enlargement and vascular masses are the most common middle lesions, and neurogenic tumors and esophageal abnormalities are the most common posterior lesions
- CT with IV contrast is the most valuable imaging technique.

- Fine-needle aspiration techniques usually suffice for carcinomatous lesions, but a cutting-needle biopsy should be done whenever lymphoma, thymoma, or a neural mass is suspected
- If ectopic thyroid tissue is considered, thyroid-stimulating hormone is measured

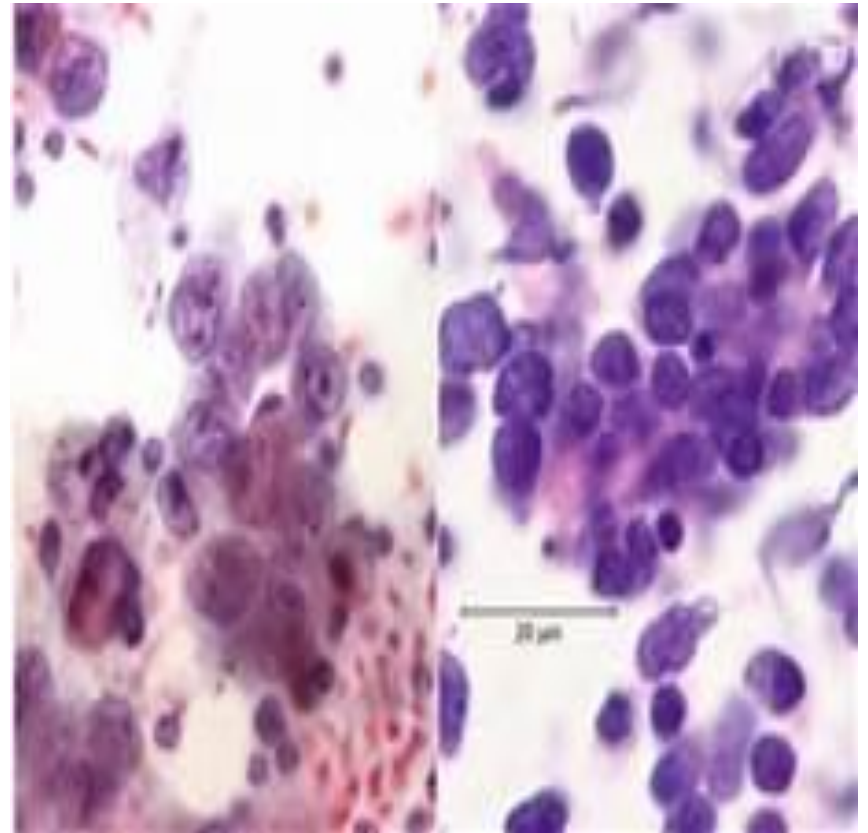
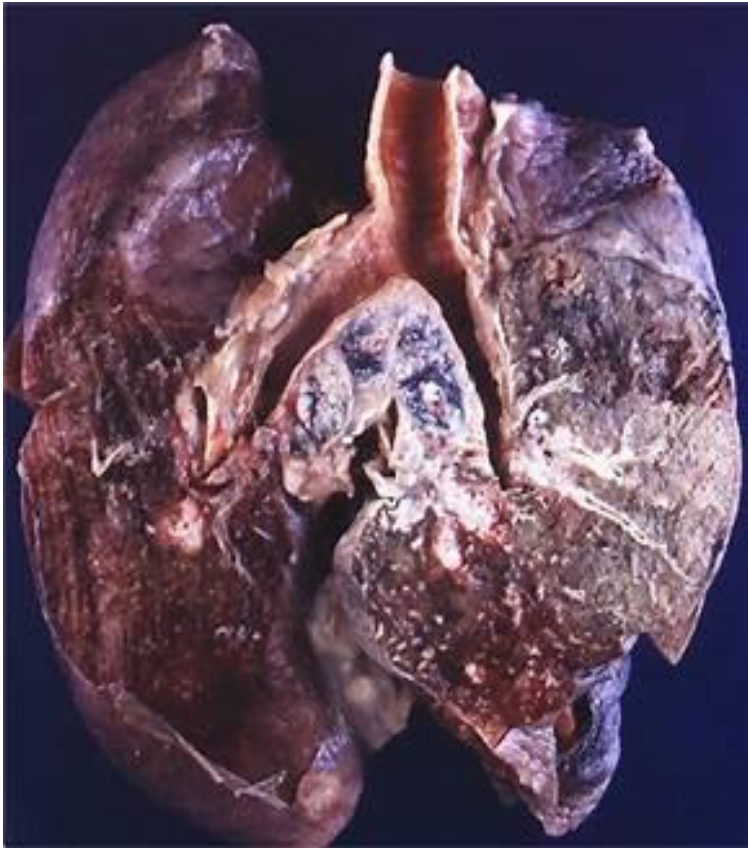
The following are symptoms of lung cancer

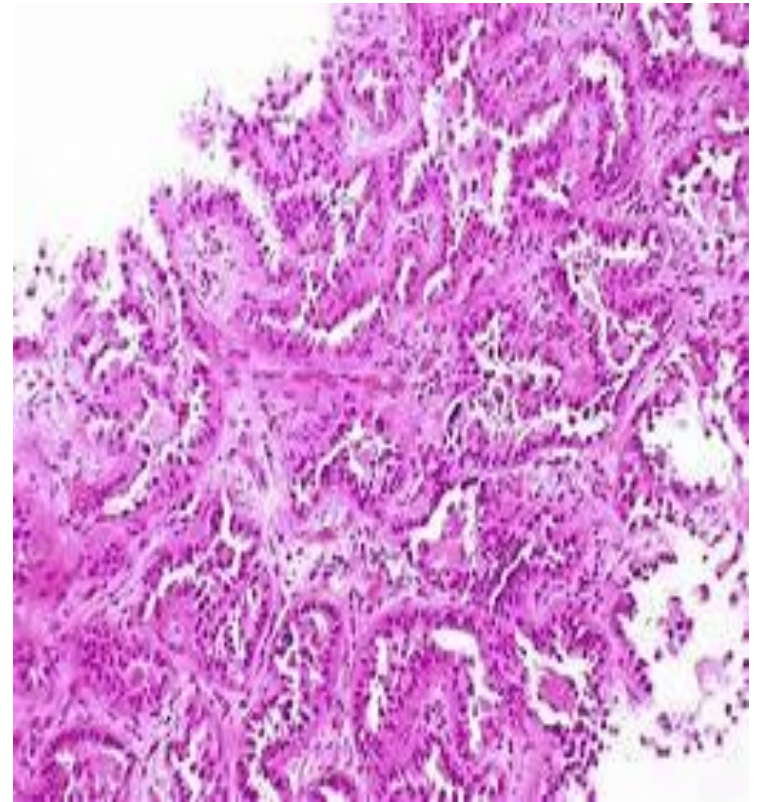
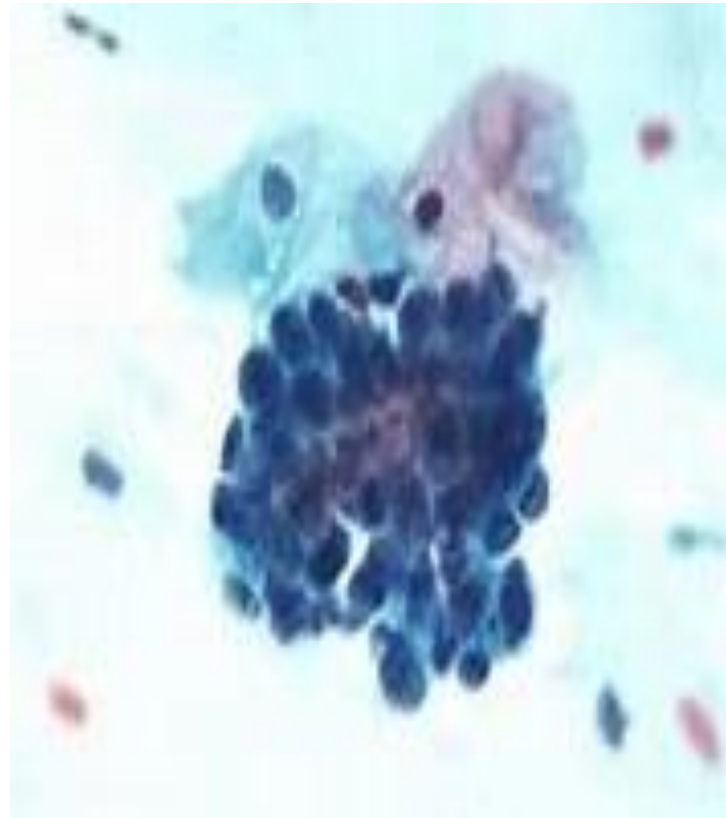
- Persistent cough/ worsening over time
- Hemoptysis (blood in cough)
- Chest pain
- Dyspnoea (shortness of breath)
- Paraneoplastic (ADH,ACTH etc) & systemic (Horner's etc) syndromes
- Cervical/mediastinal lymphadenopathy

Molecular aspects of lung tumors

- Many procarcinogens are activated via p450 polymorphism
- Squamous cell and small cell carcinoma frequently show p53 mutation & loss of tumor suppressor gene Rb activation (smoking)
- Adenocarcinoma show gain of function mutation in EGFR, ALK, ROS, MET pathways

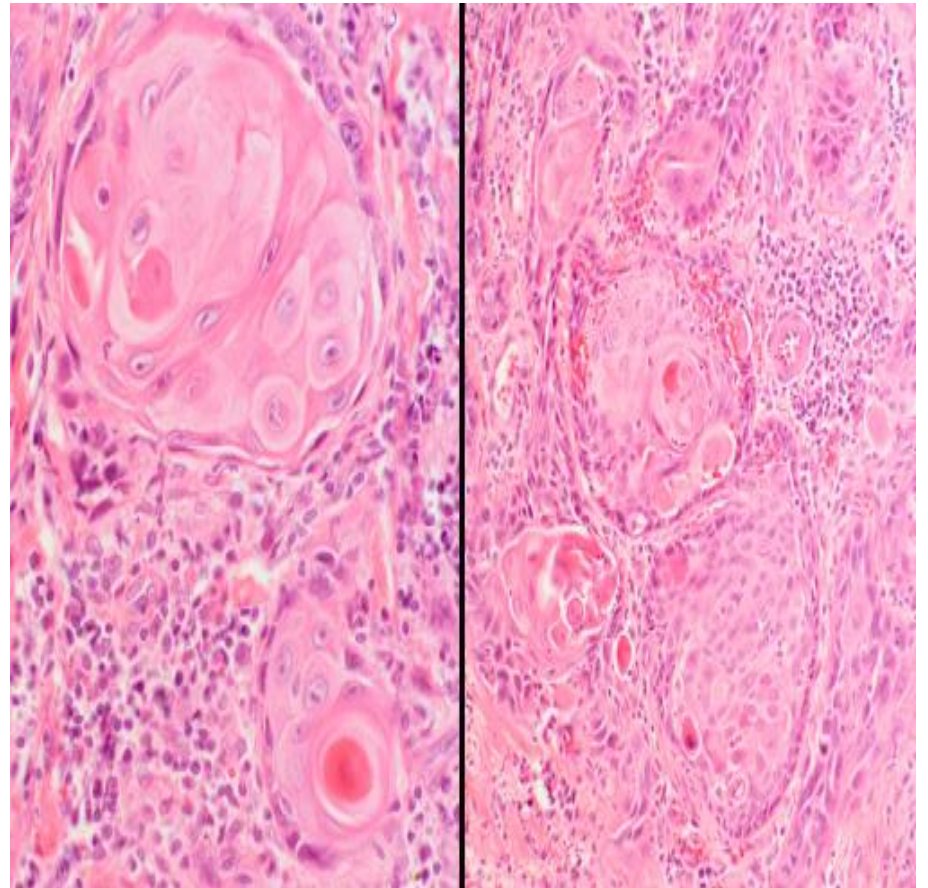
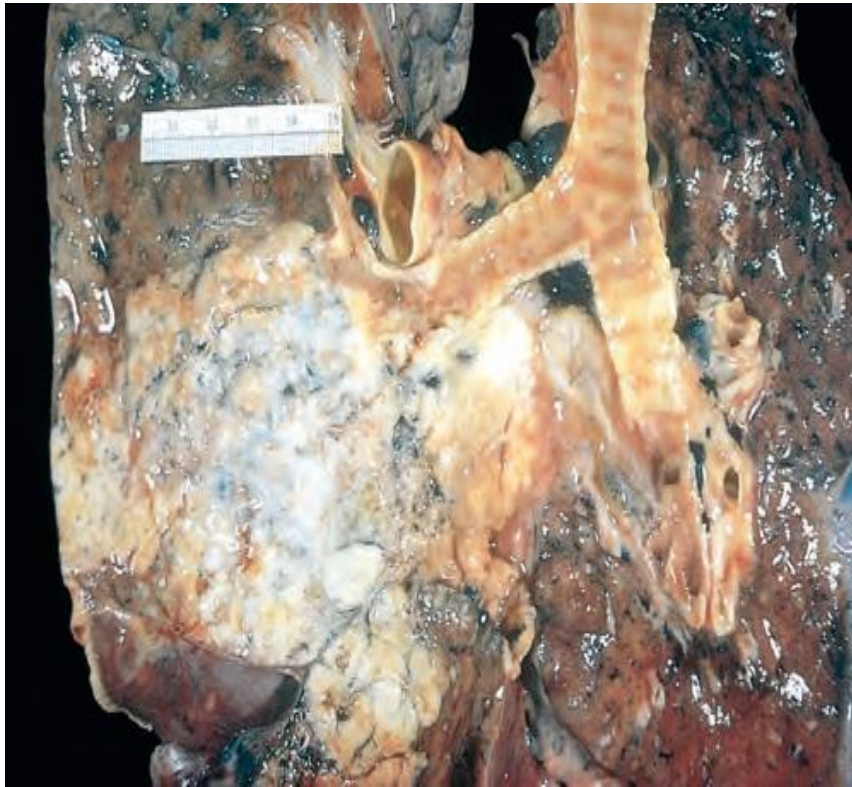
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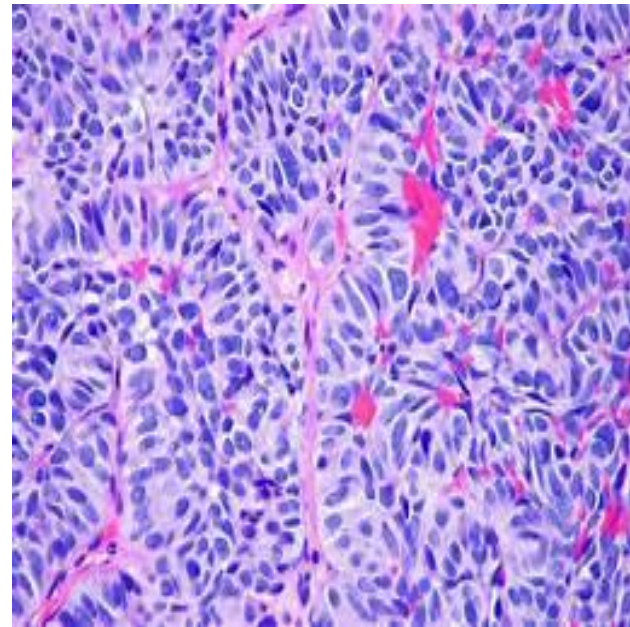
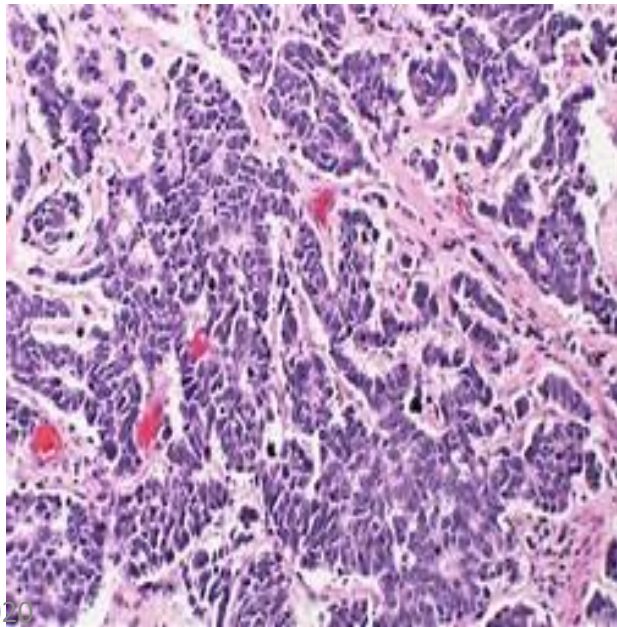
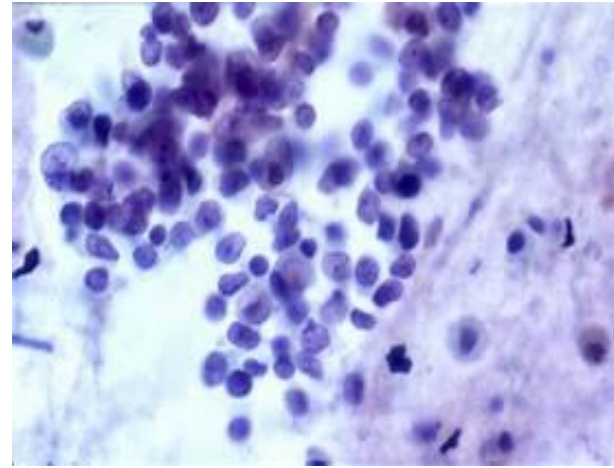
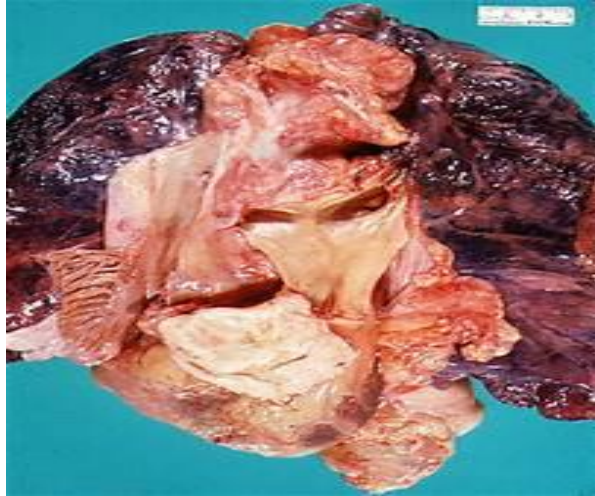


SQUAMOUS CELL CARCINOMA

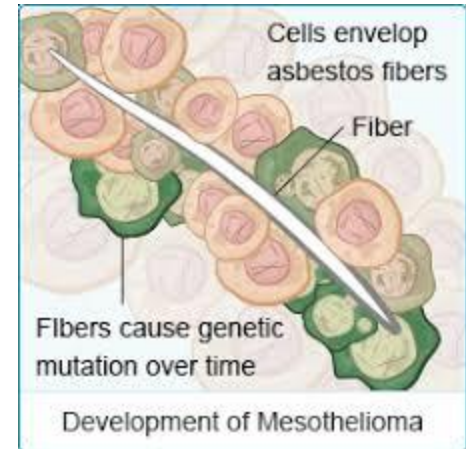
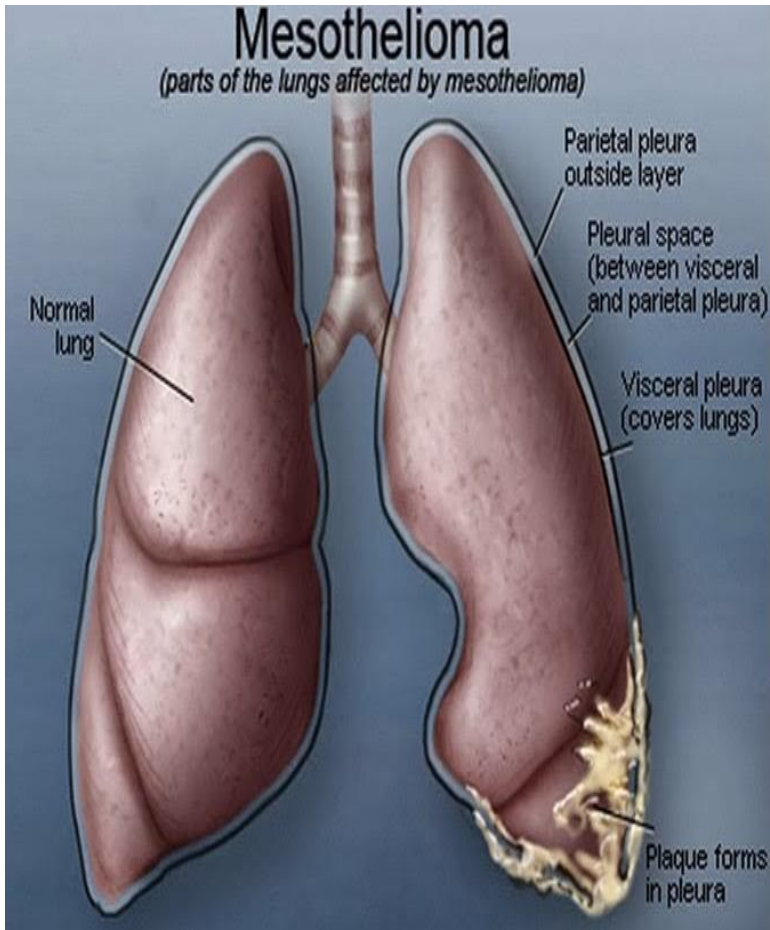




SMALL CELL/NEUROENDOCRINE



MESOTHELIOMA (pleural)



- 80% are associated with deletion of tumor suppressor gene CDKN2A/INK4a
- FISH is the molecular technique used to demonstrate 9p chromosome involvement
- Solitary Fibrous Tumors are associated with NAB2 & STAT 6 genes

MUST KNOW

- Functional unit of lung/ structural division
- Stages of pneumonia
- Tuberculosis vs sarcoidosis
- COPD
- Asbestos and lung cancer
- Paraneoplastic syndromes
- Hypersensitivity
- Mediators of inflammation
- Molecular aspects & target therapy in lung cancer
- COVID 19

Thank you

