Immunohistochemical and Molecular Markers in Prostate Cancer

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Topics:

1. Diagnostic IHC
2. Prognostic IHC
3. Prognostic molecular signatures
4. Molecular pathology, targeted therapy and predictive pathology in prostate cancer

Complexity of diagnostic IHC: Lymphoma *vs.* Pca
What is more challenging?

Lymphoma:

BCL-2
CD3
CD4
CD8
CD10
CD15
CD20
CD21
CD23
CD30
CD45
CD79
Cyclin D1
K/L
Mib-1

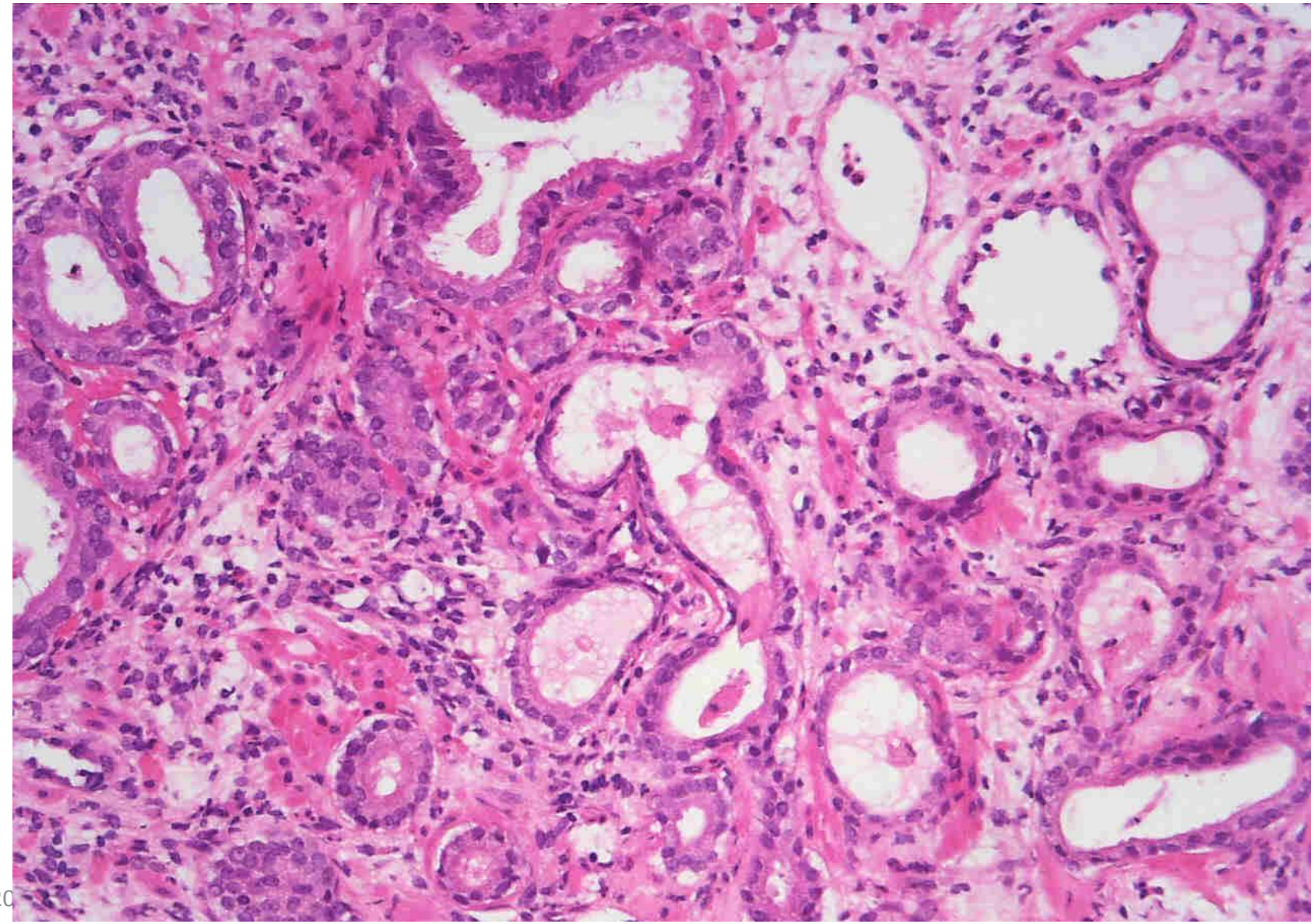
?

Prostate Cancer:

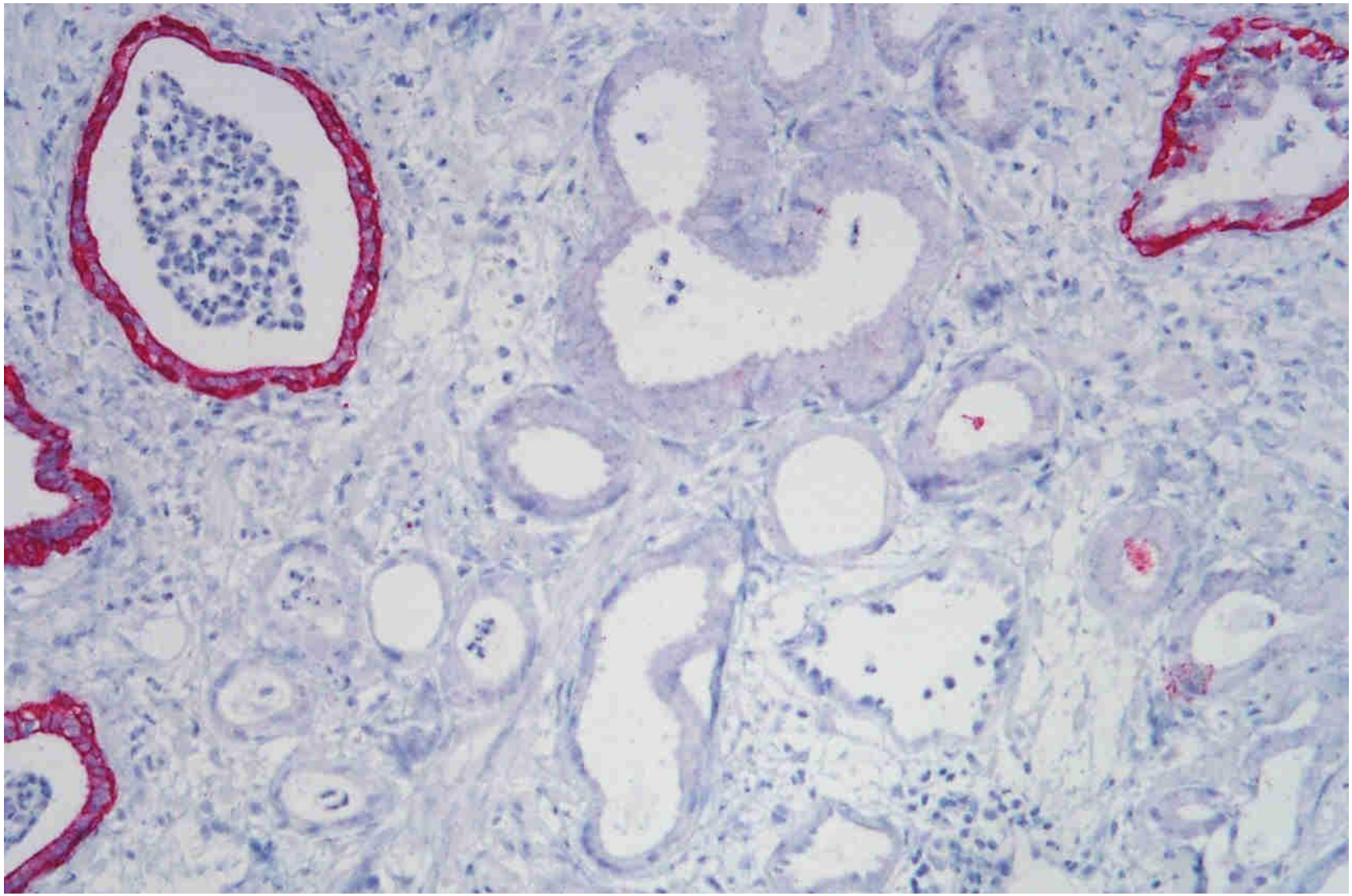
Basal cell markers
AMACR
PSA
Prostein
NKX3.1

The simplicity is misleading,
„Prostate IHC is a mine field."
M. Varma

Typical diagnostic problem:
biopsy: carcinoma *vs.* atrophy/reactive changes?

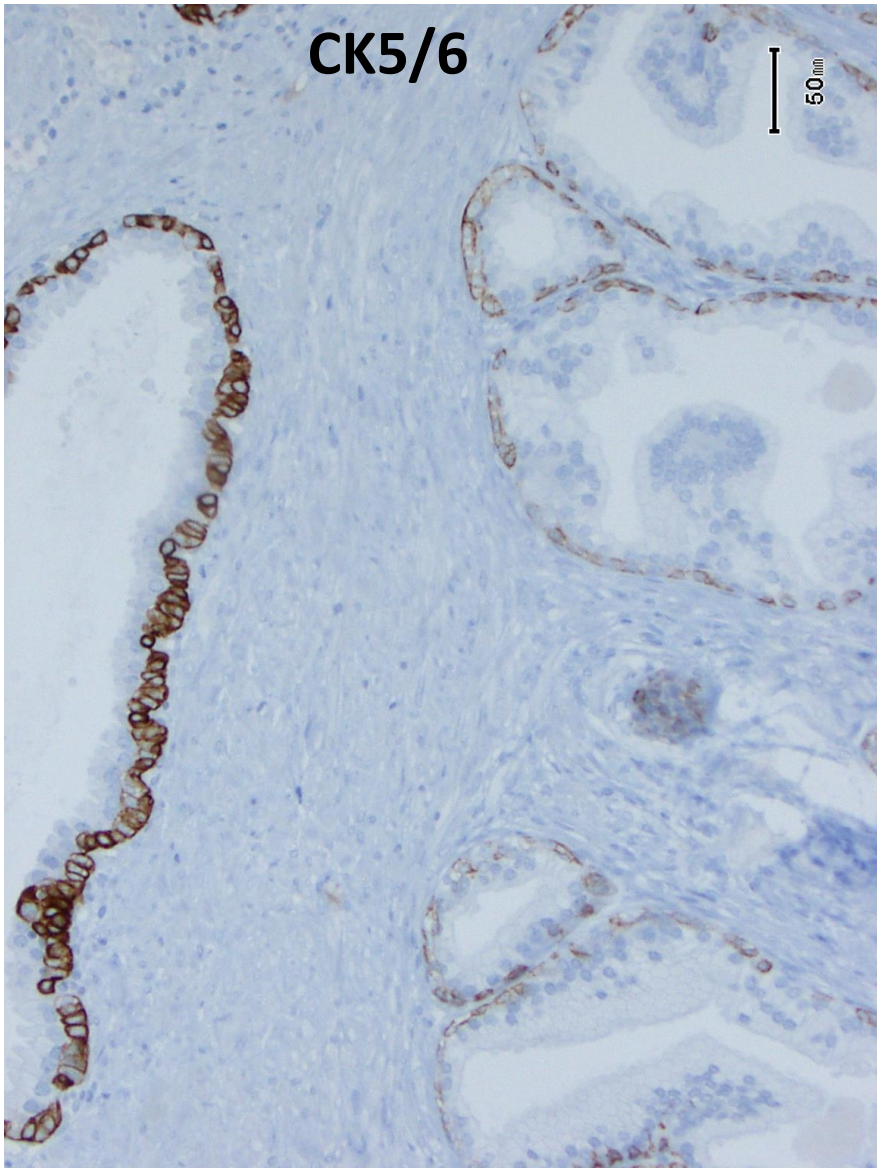


Basal cell marker Immunohistochemistry (CK 5/6):



Diagnosis: Adenocarcinoma !

Cytokeratins or p63?



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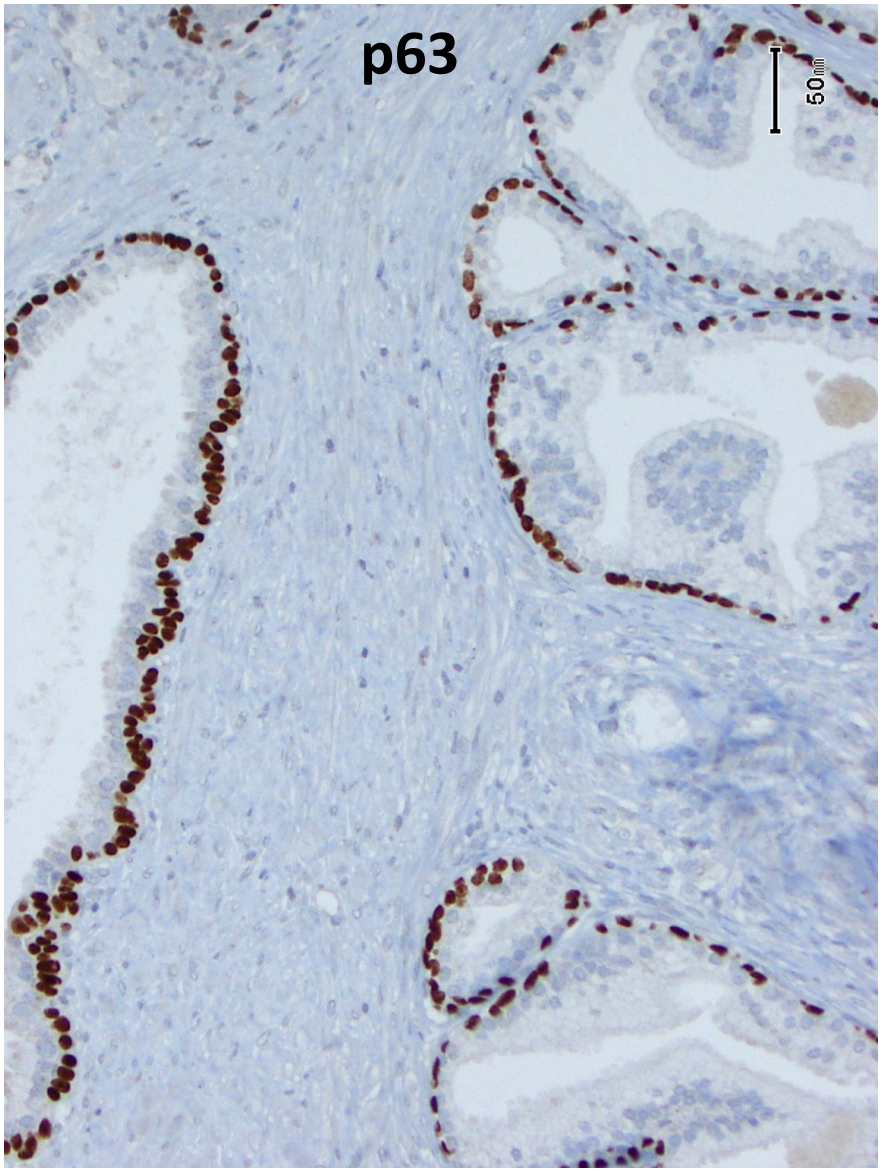

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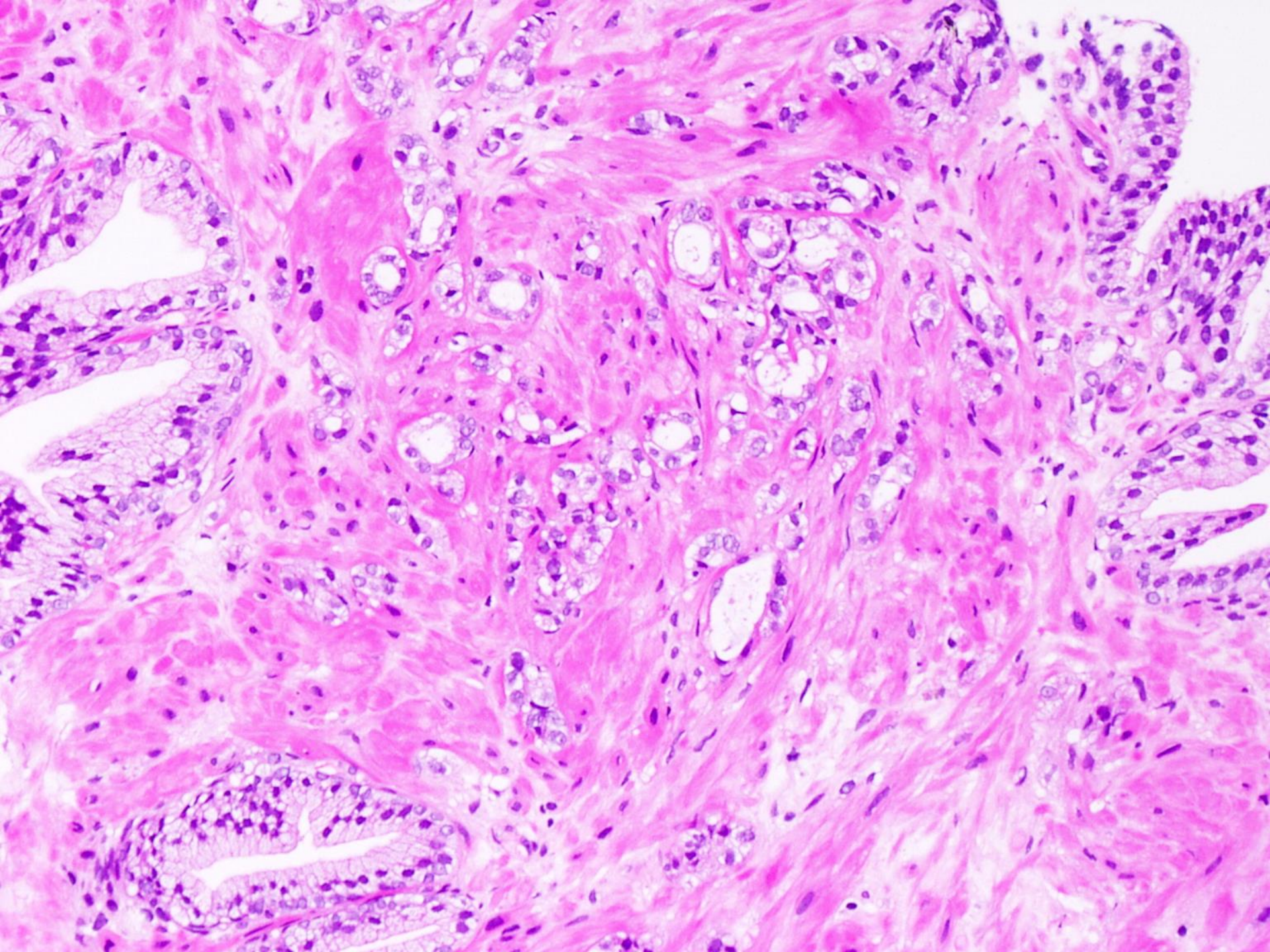
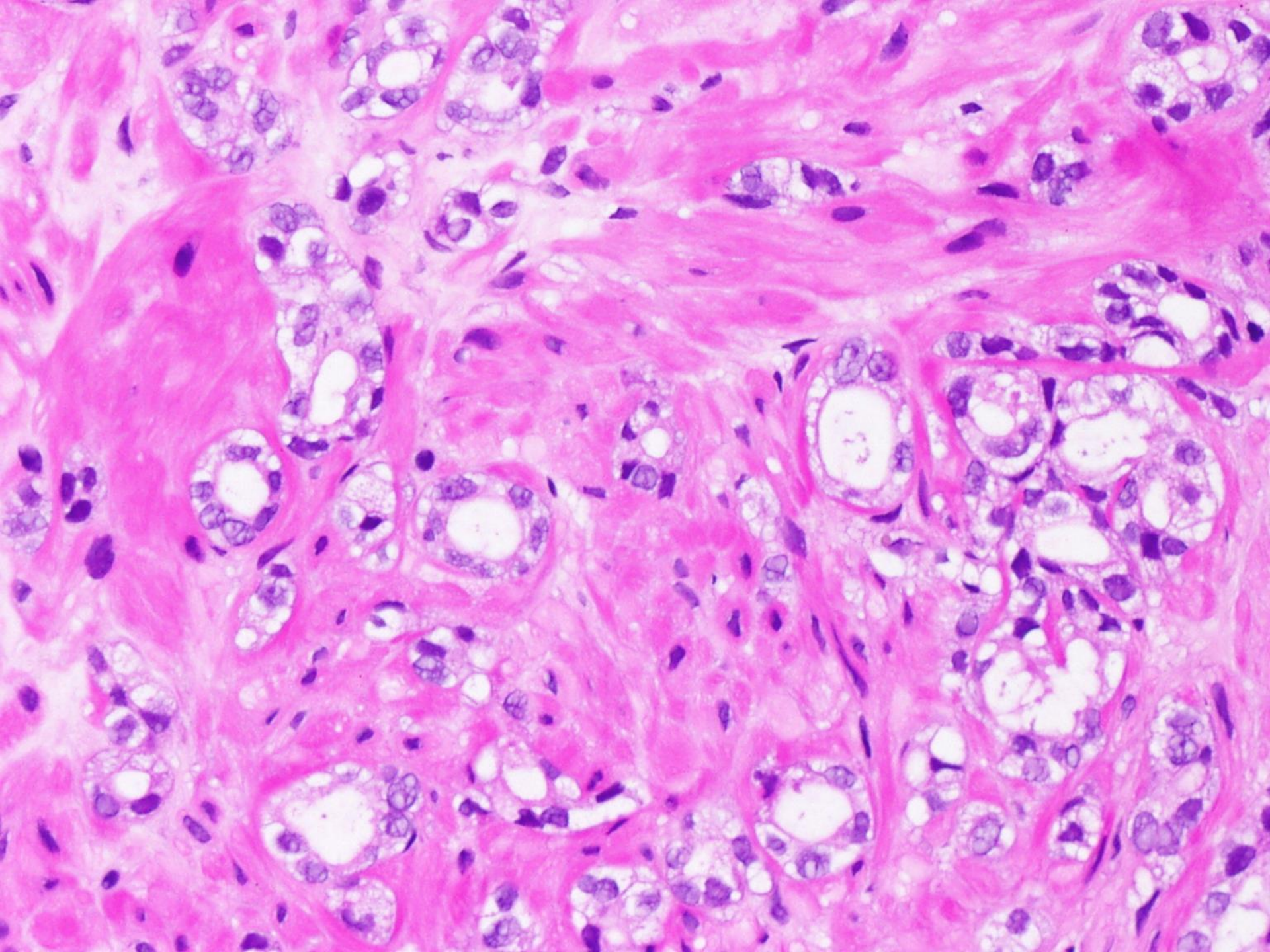
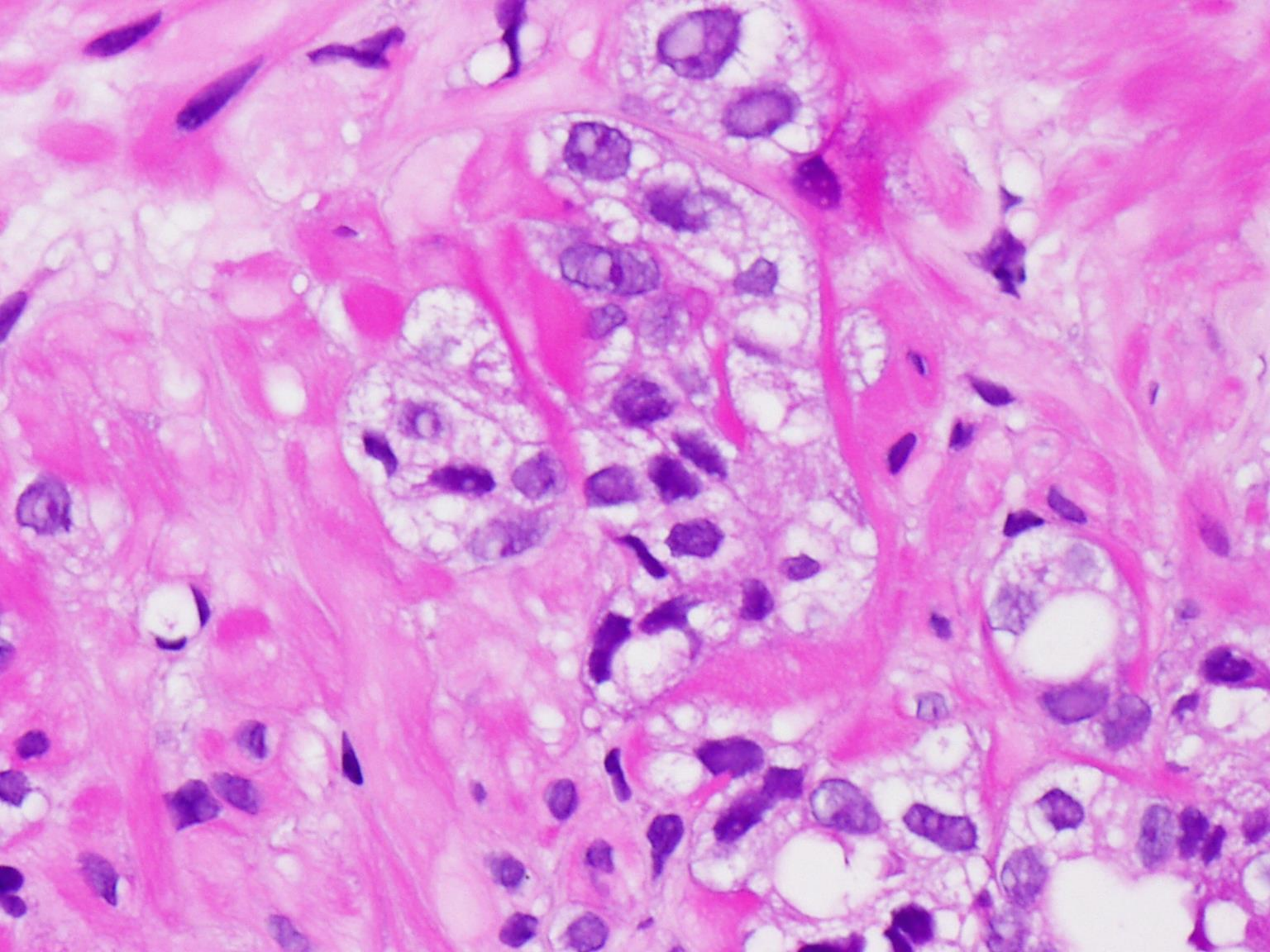
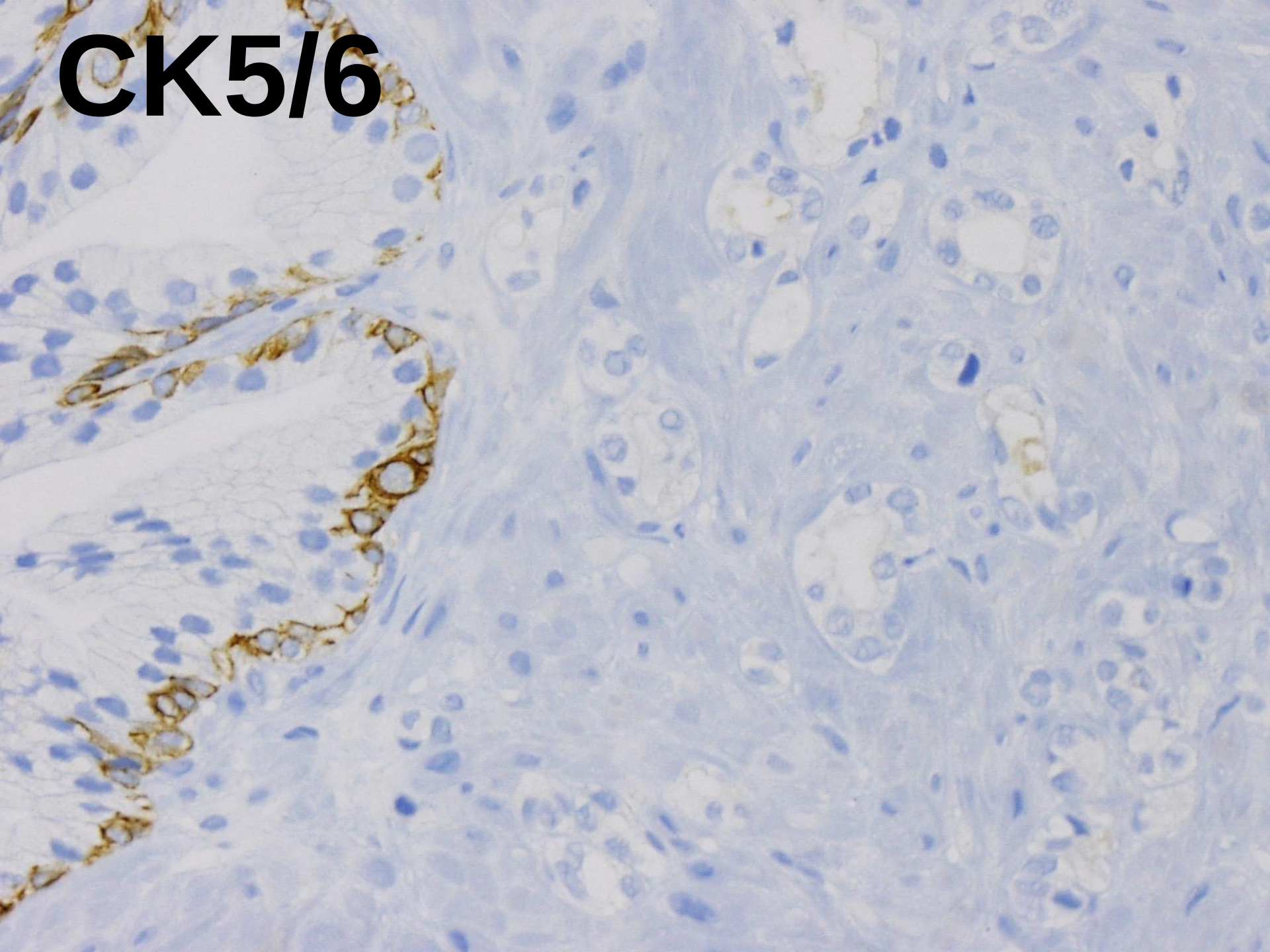
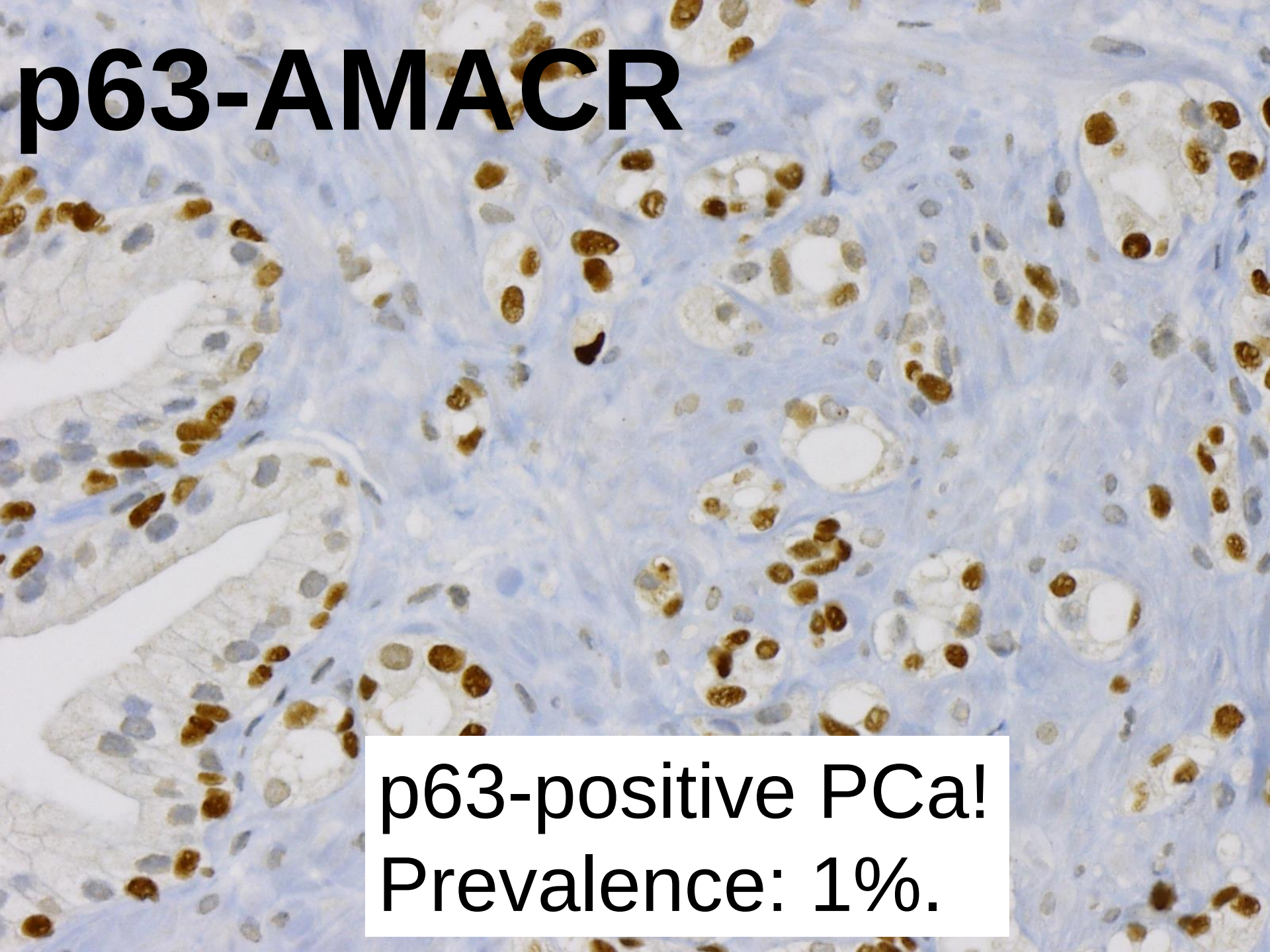







CK5/6

p63-AMACR



p63-positive PCa!
Prevalence: 1%.

Basal cell markers: is p40 the „better“ p63?

MODERN PATHOLOGY (2012) 25, 405–415

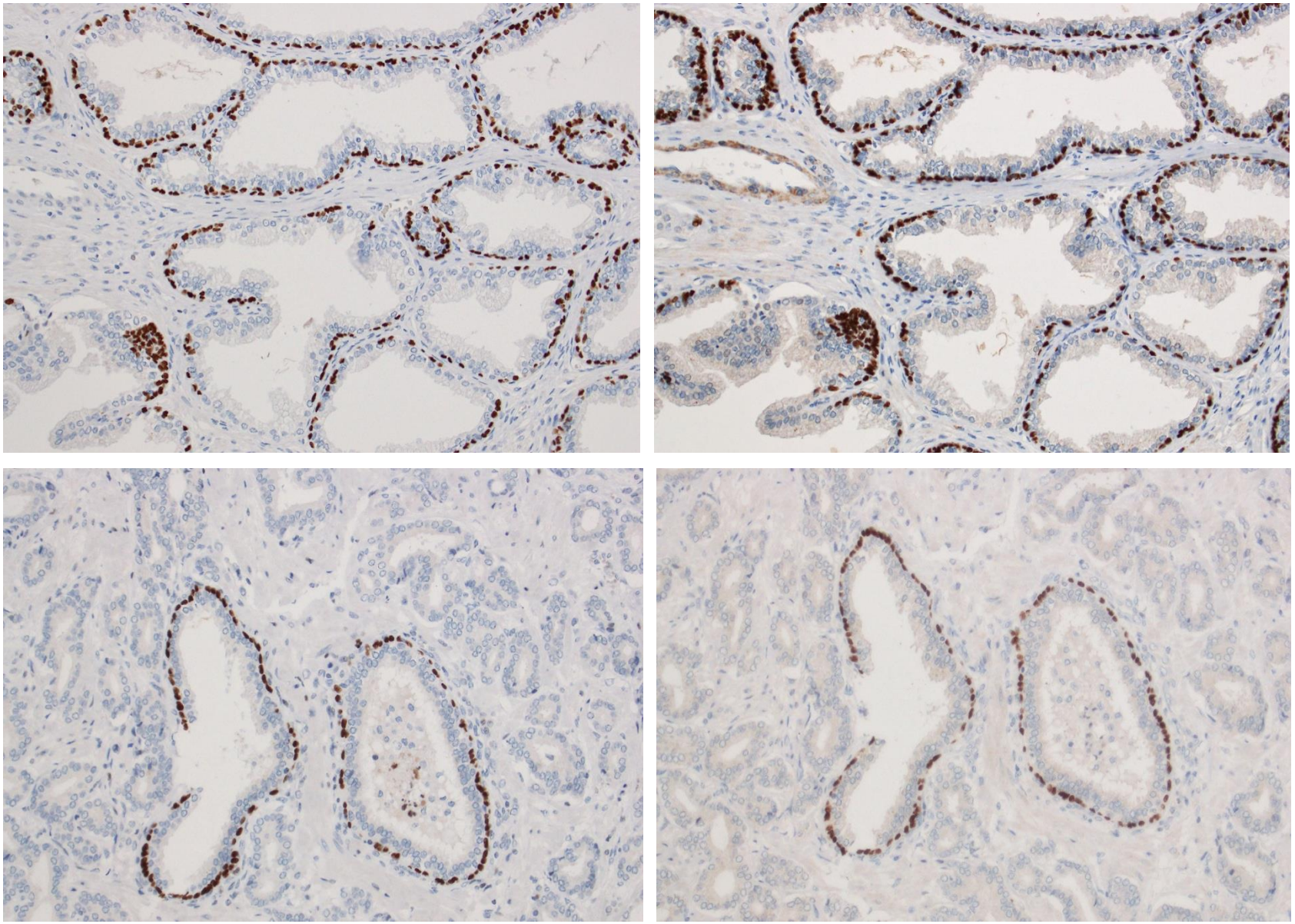
p40 (ΔNp63) is superior to p63 for the diagnosis of pulmonary squamous cell carcinoma

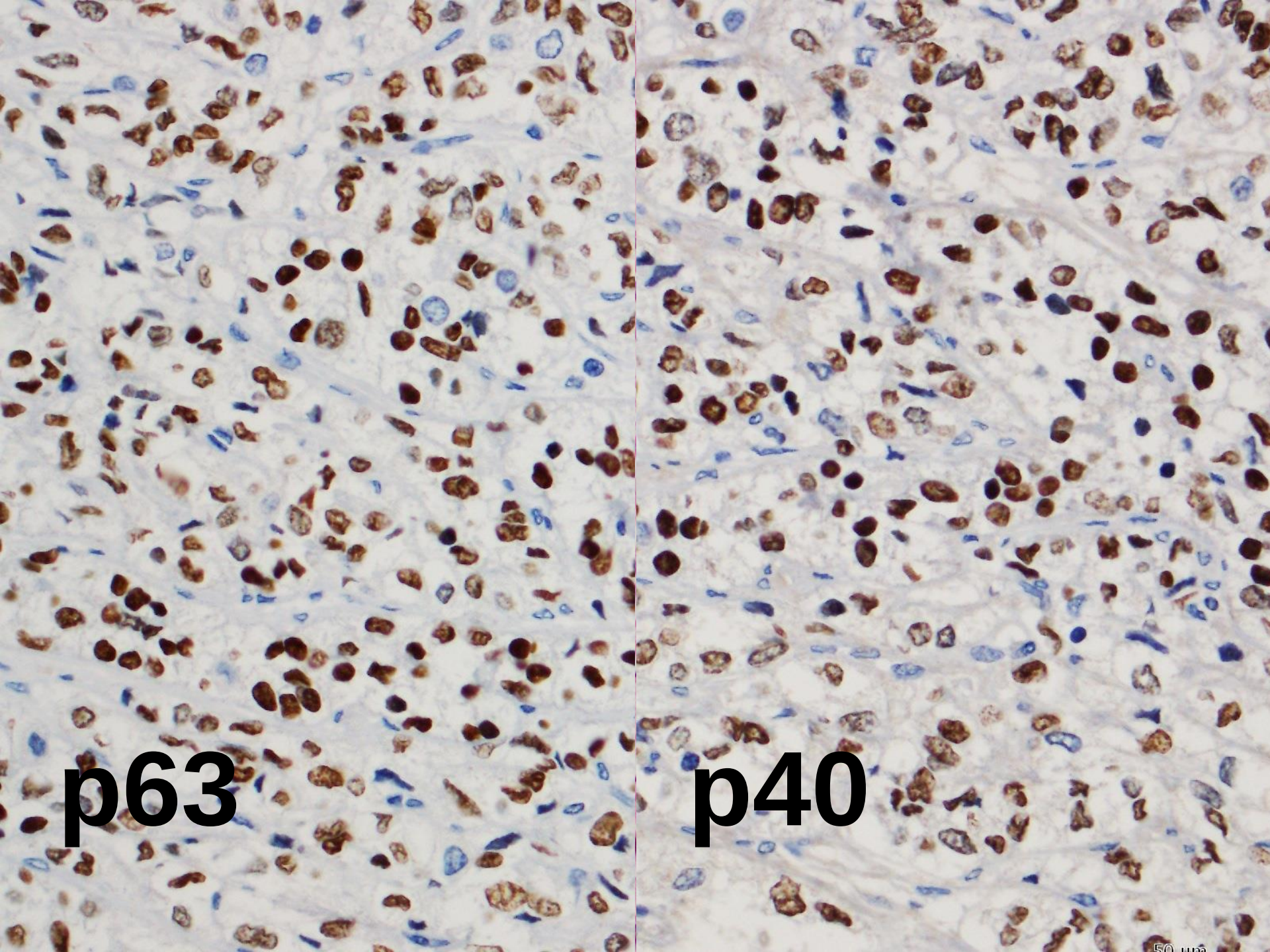
Justin A Bishop[1], Julie Teruya-Feldstein[2], William H Westra[1], Giuseppe Pelosi[3], William D Travis[2] and Natasha Rekhtman[2]

p63 isoform	Antibody reactivity		Simplified protein map and antibody binding sites	Functional role
	p63/4A4	p40		
TAp63	+	-	p63/4A4; TA domain; Core domain	p53-like tumor suppressor
ΔNp63	+	+	p40; p63/4A4; ΔN domain; Core domain	oncogene

„It has been suggested primarily in laboratory studies that the predominant p63 isoform in basal/progenitor cells is specifically the DN variant, whereas the TA isoform has a wider tissue distribution.“

n=633

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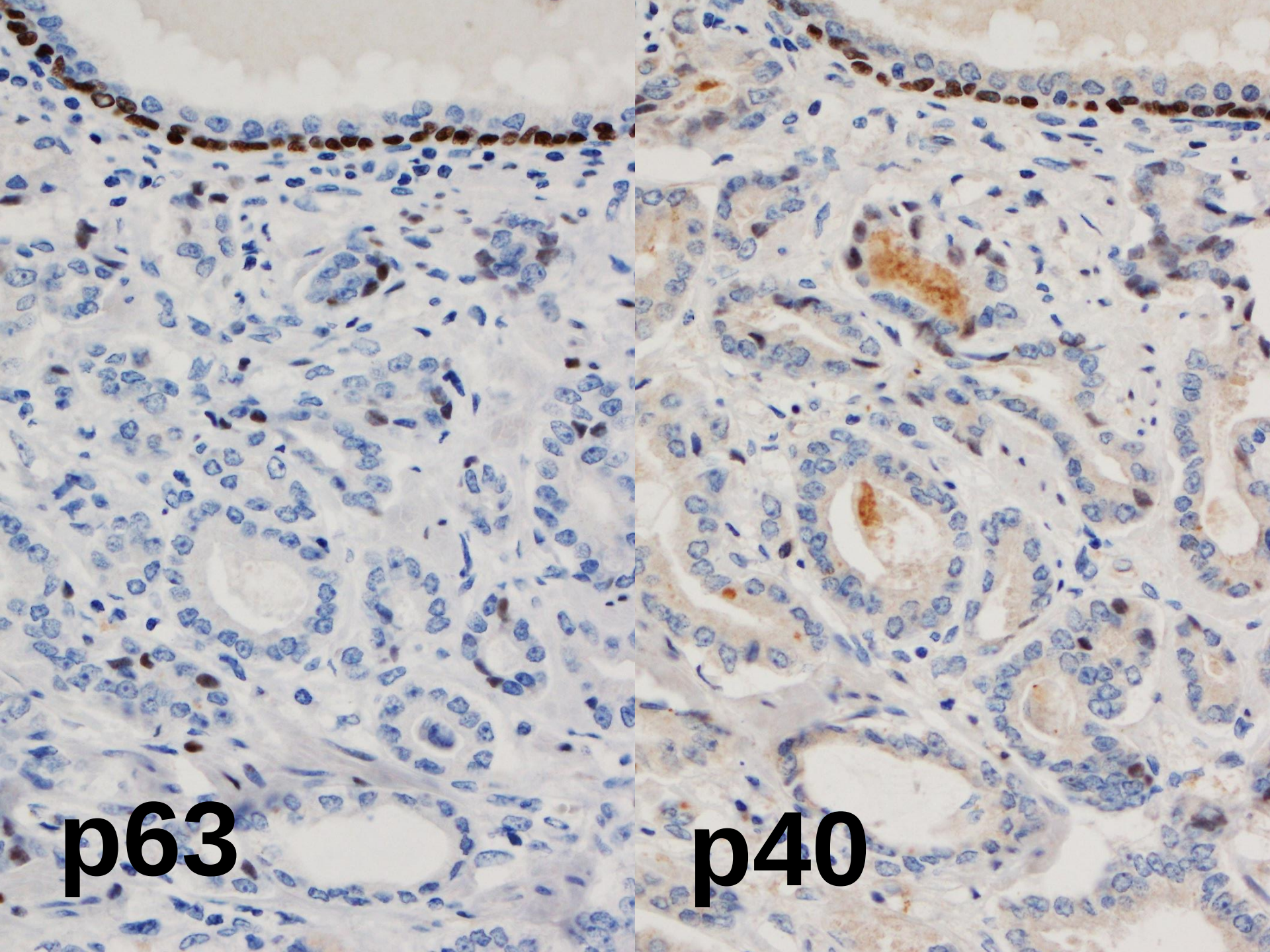
p40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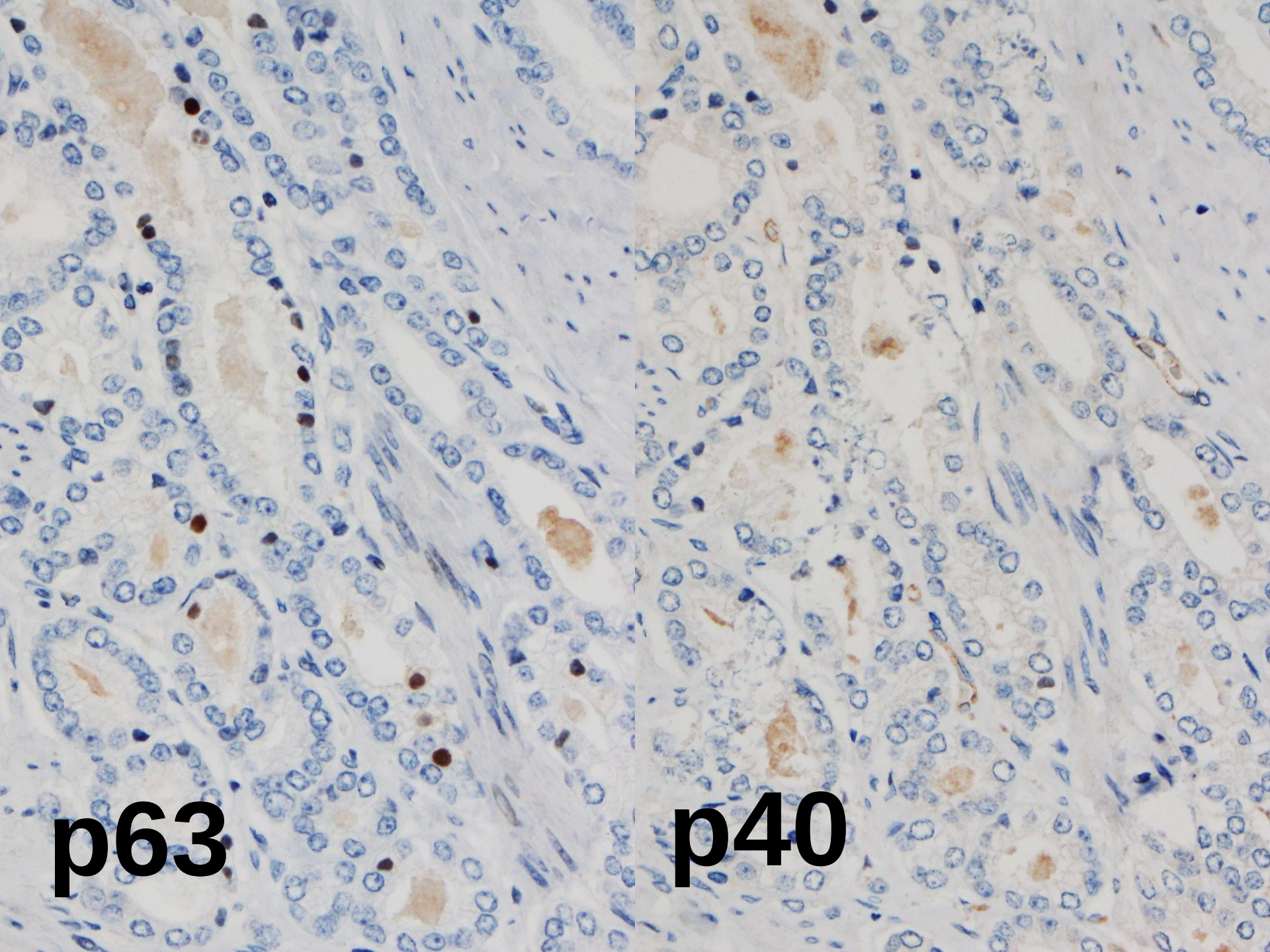
p63
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Results: Statistics (n=633)

- 98,6% of PCa p40&p63 negative
- 73% totally identical
  - minor differences:
    - 20% p63>p40
    - 7% p40>p63

- p63 positive PCa: 1,4% (!)
- p40 positive PCa: 0,6%.

p40 is slightly superior to p63 as a basal cell marker.

Histopathology. 2013 Jul;63(1):50-6.

ΔNp63 (p40) expression in prostatic adenocarcinoma with diffuse p63 positivity☆

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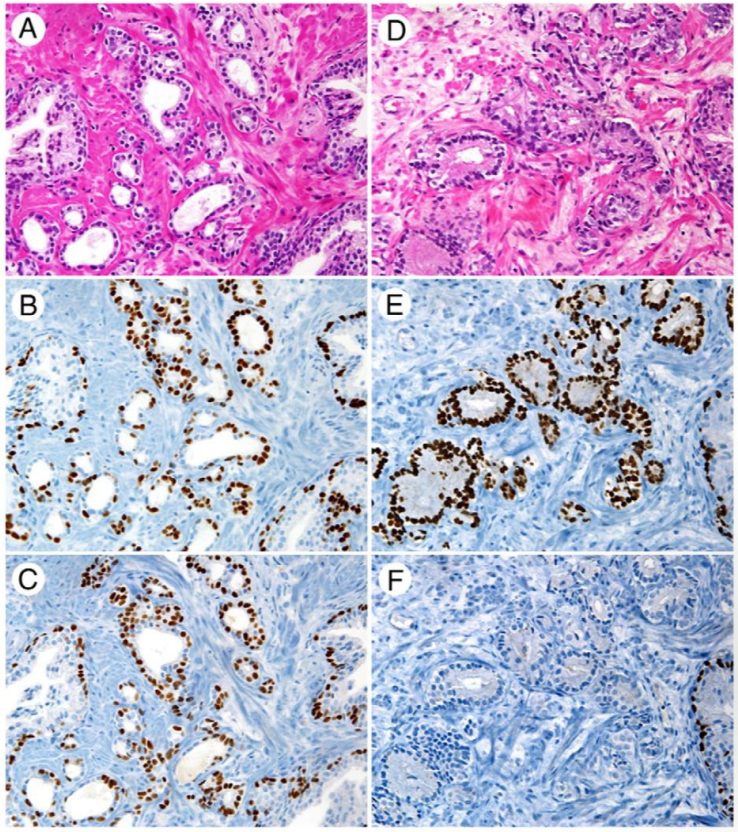
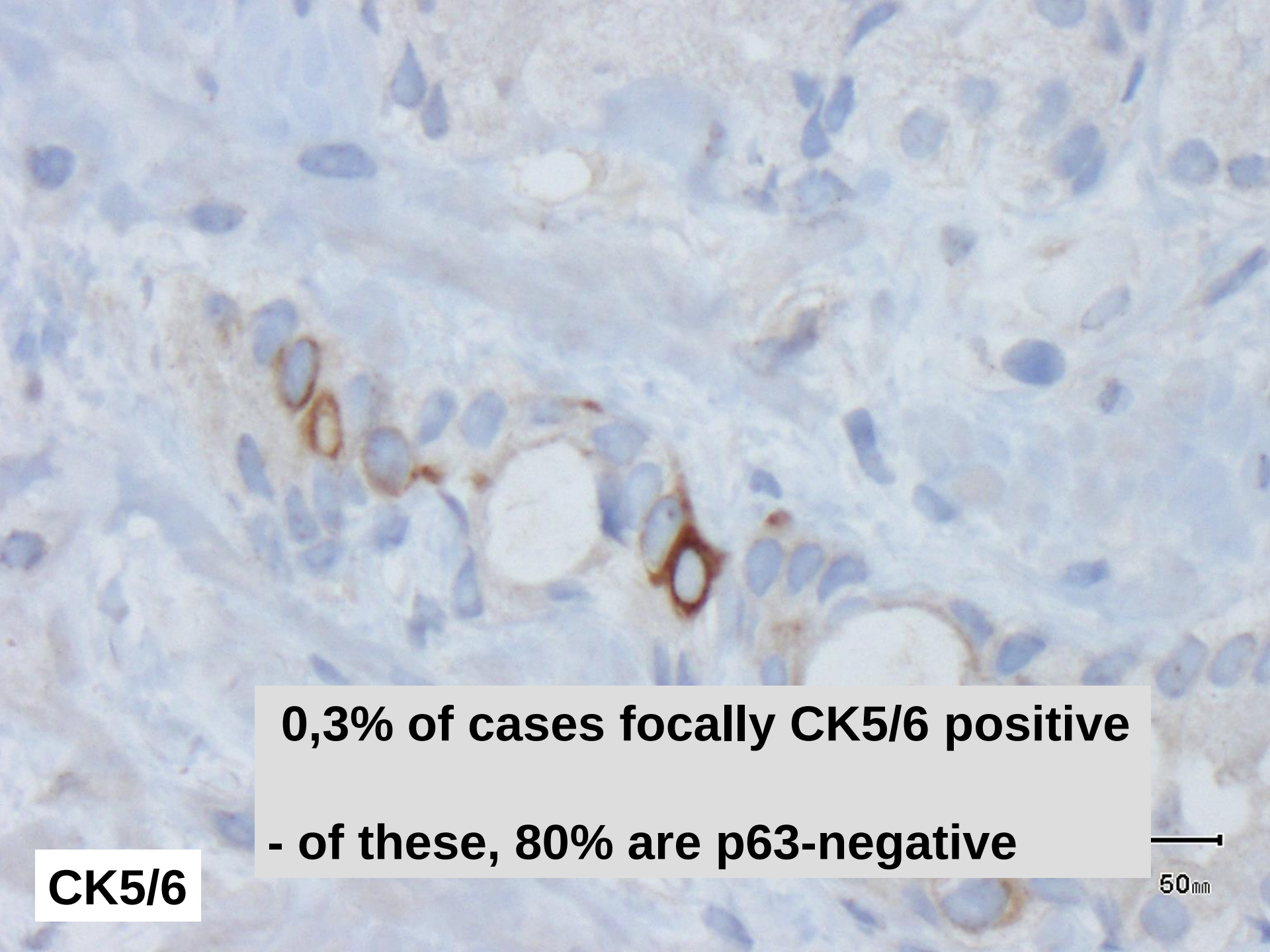


Table p63/p40 staining in 31 cores of prostate adenocarcinoma with aberrant p63 expression, 125 cores of conventional prostate adenocarcinoma, and 157 cores of benign prostatic tissue

	p63 (clone 4A4)	p40 (polyclonal ΔNp63)
p63 expressing prostate adenocarcinoma	31/31 [a]	29/31 [a]
Conventional prostate adenocarcinoma	0/125 [b]	0/125 [b]
Benign prostate (basal cells)	157/157 [b]	157/157 [b]

„From a diagnostic perspective, the detection of ΔNp63 with use of p40 antibody provides only a slight advantage over the currently in use p63 antibody.“

Hum Pathol. 2015 Mar;46(3):384-9.


0,3% of cases focally CK5/6 positive
- of these, 80% are p63-negative
CK5/6
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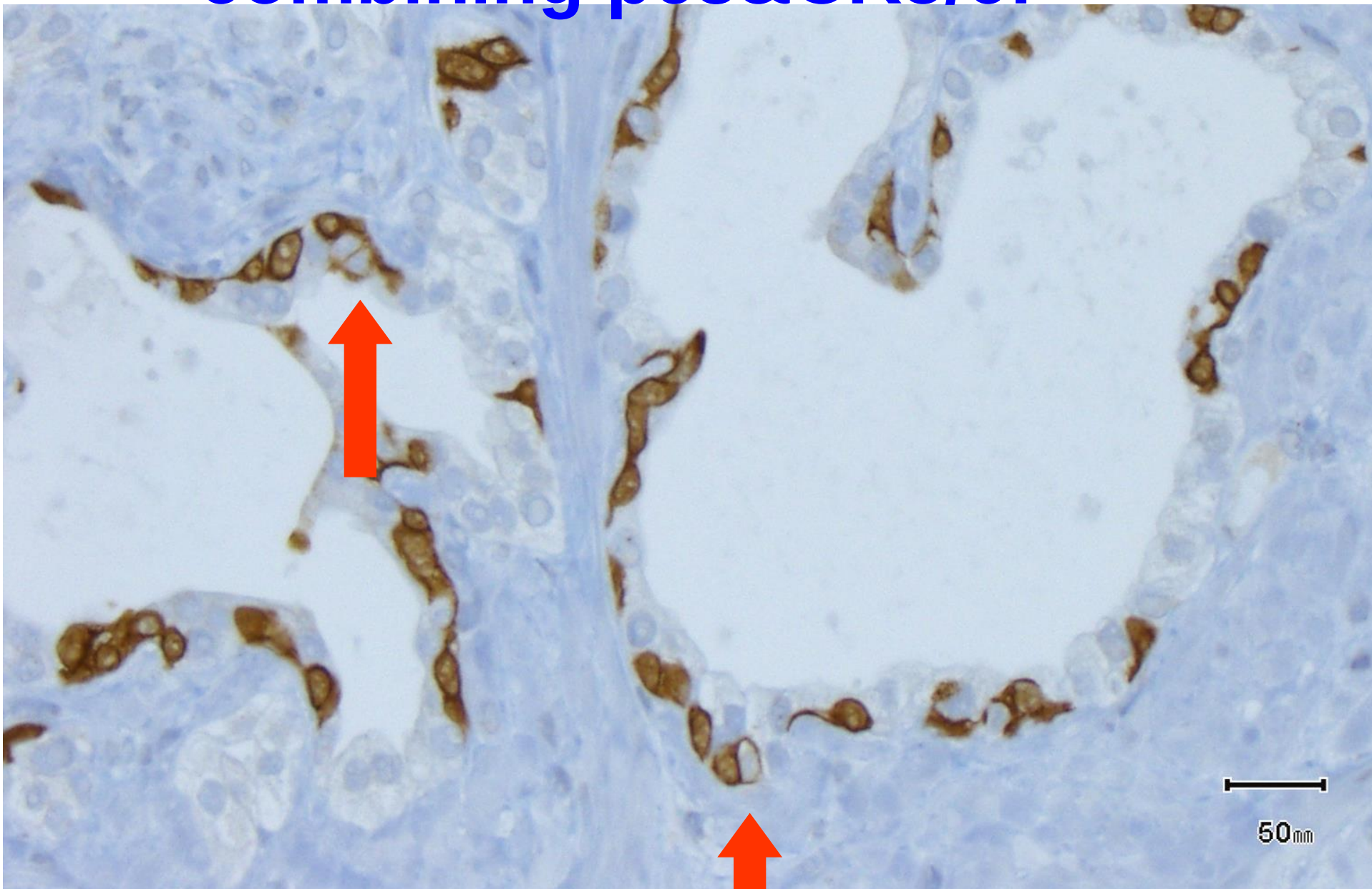
Increased Sensitivity by combining p63&CK5/6:



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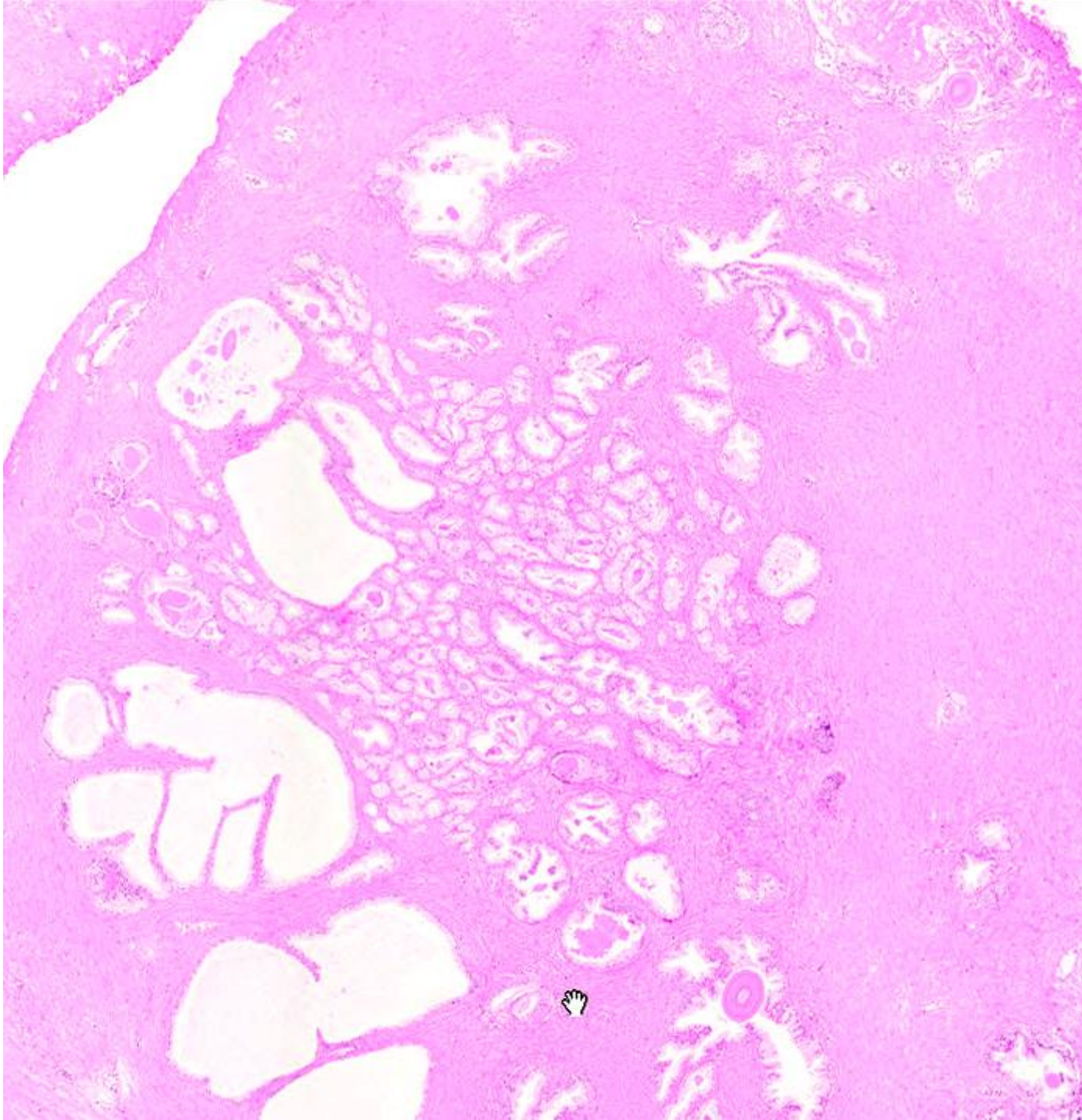

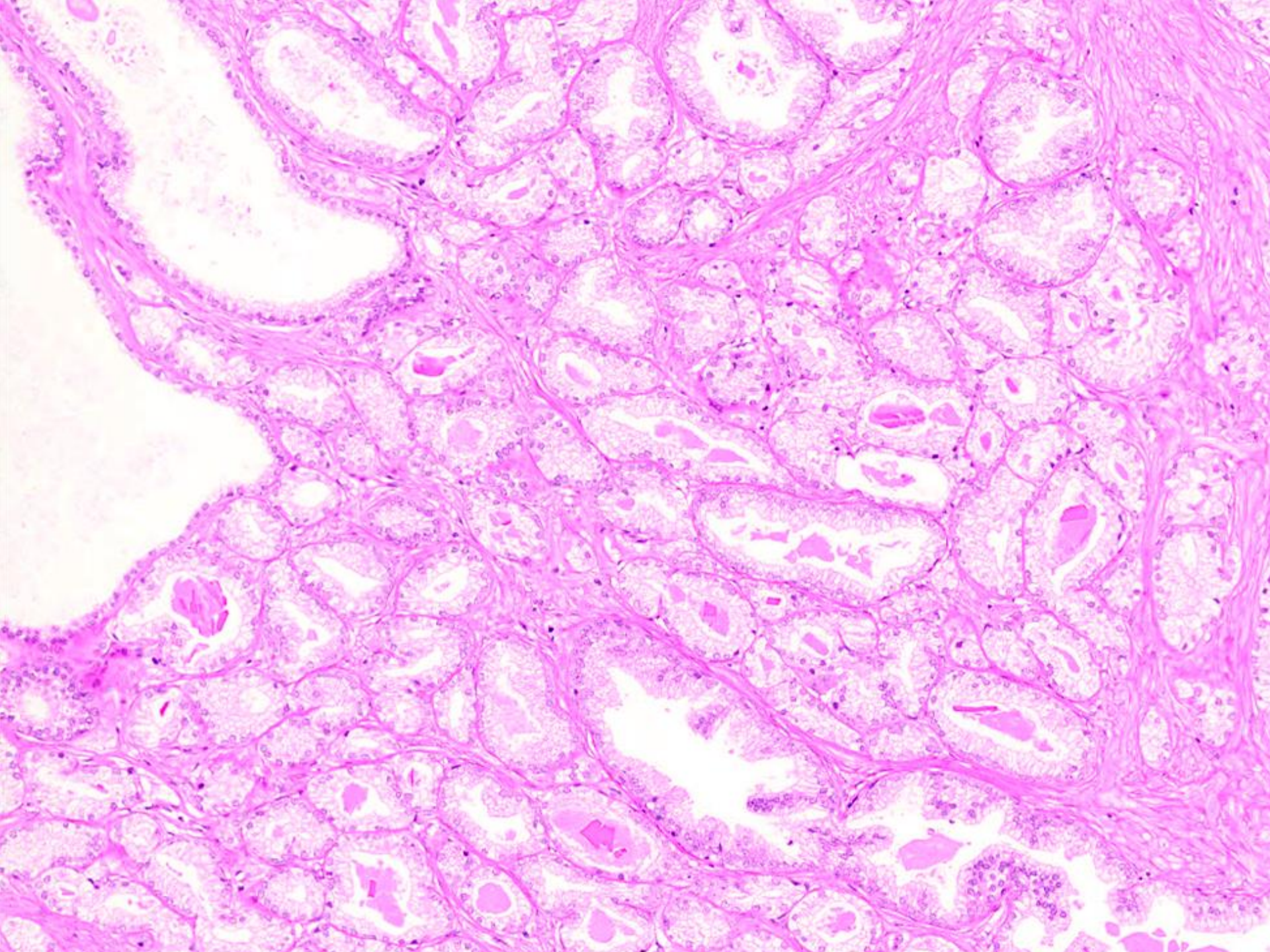

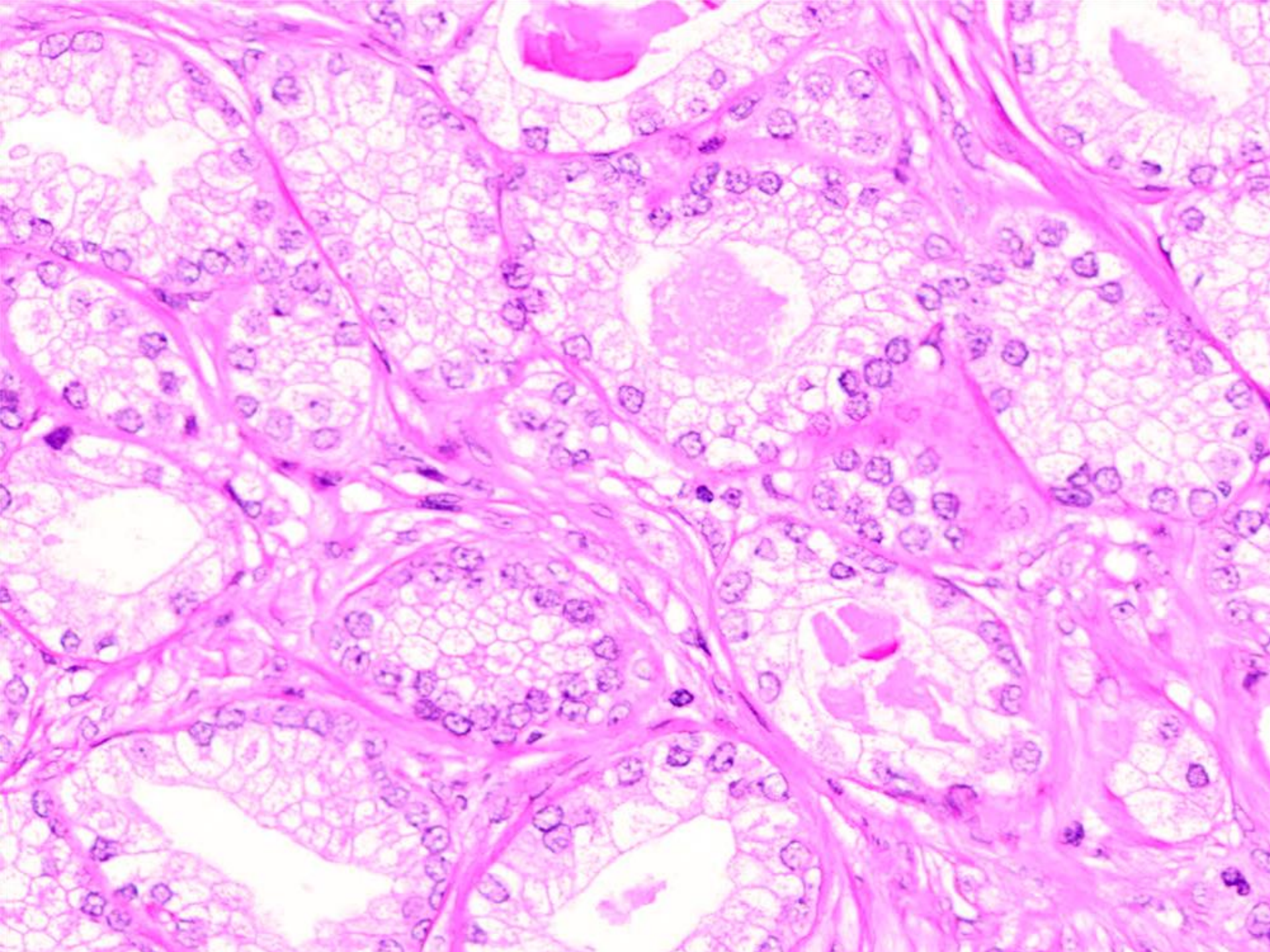

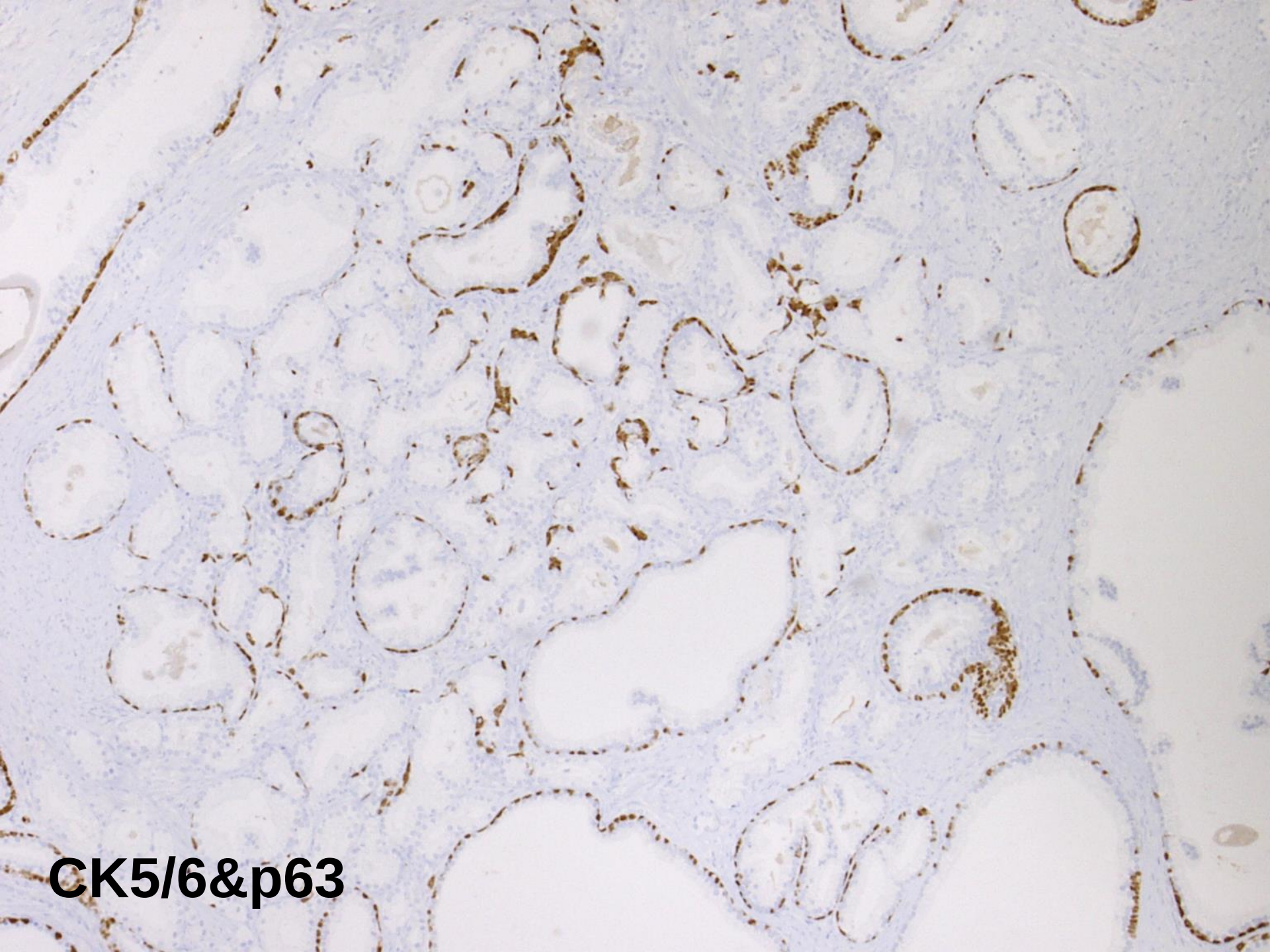
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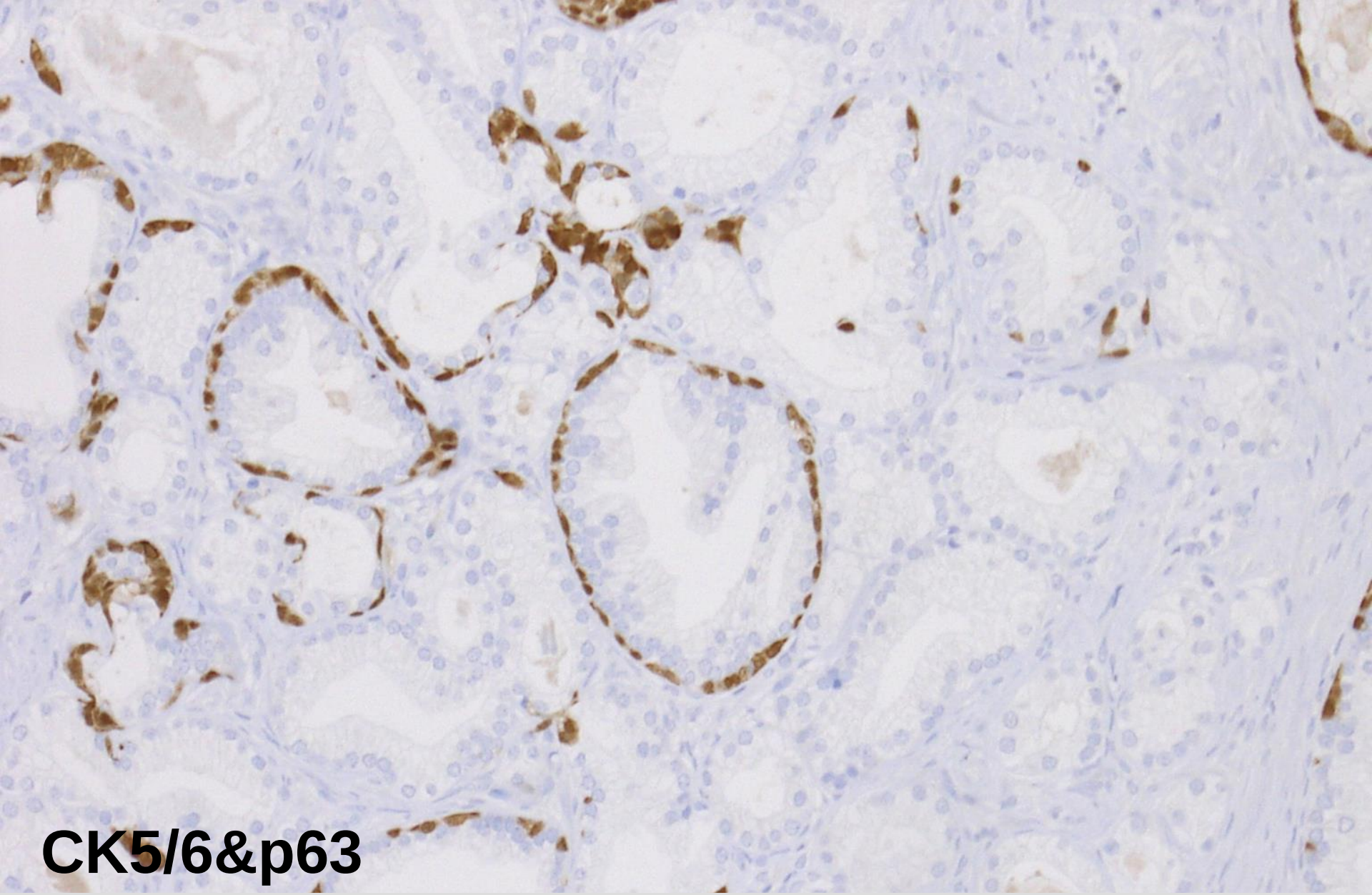

Adenosis of the prostate

[CANCER RESEARCH 60, 1677–1682, March 15, 2000]

Identification of Differentially Expressed Genes in Human Prostate Cancer Using Subtraction and Microarray[1]

The American Journal of Surgical Pathology *25(11): 1397–1404, 2001*

P504S

A New Molecular Marker for the Detection of Prostate Carcinoma

[CANCER RESEARCH 62, 2220–2226, April 15, 2002]

Advances in Brief

α-Methylacyl-CoA Racemase: A New Molecular Marker for Prostate Cancer[1]

α-Methylacyl Coenzyme A Racemase as a Tissue Biomarker for Prostate Cancer

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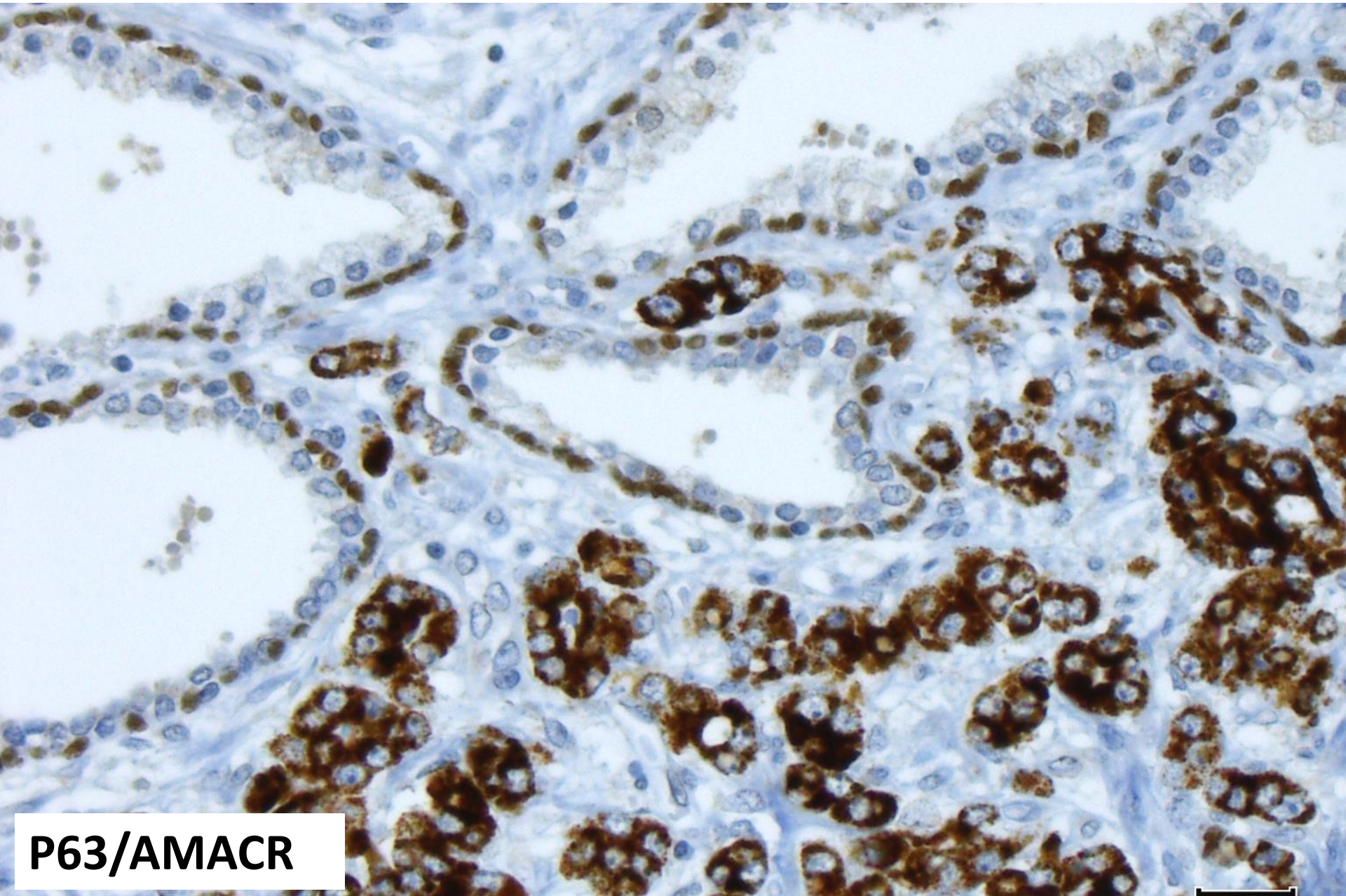
Terrence R. Barrette

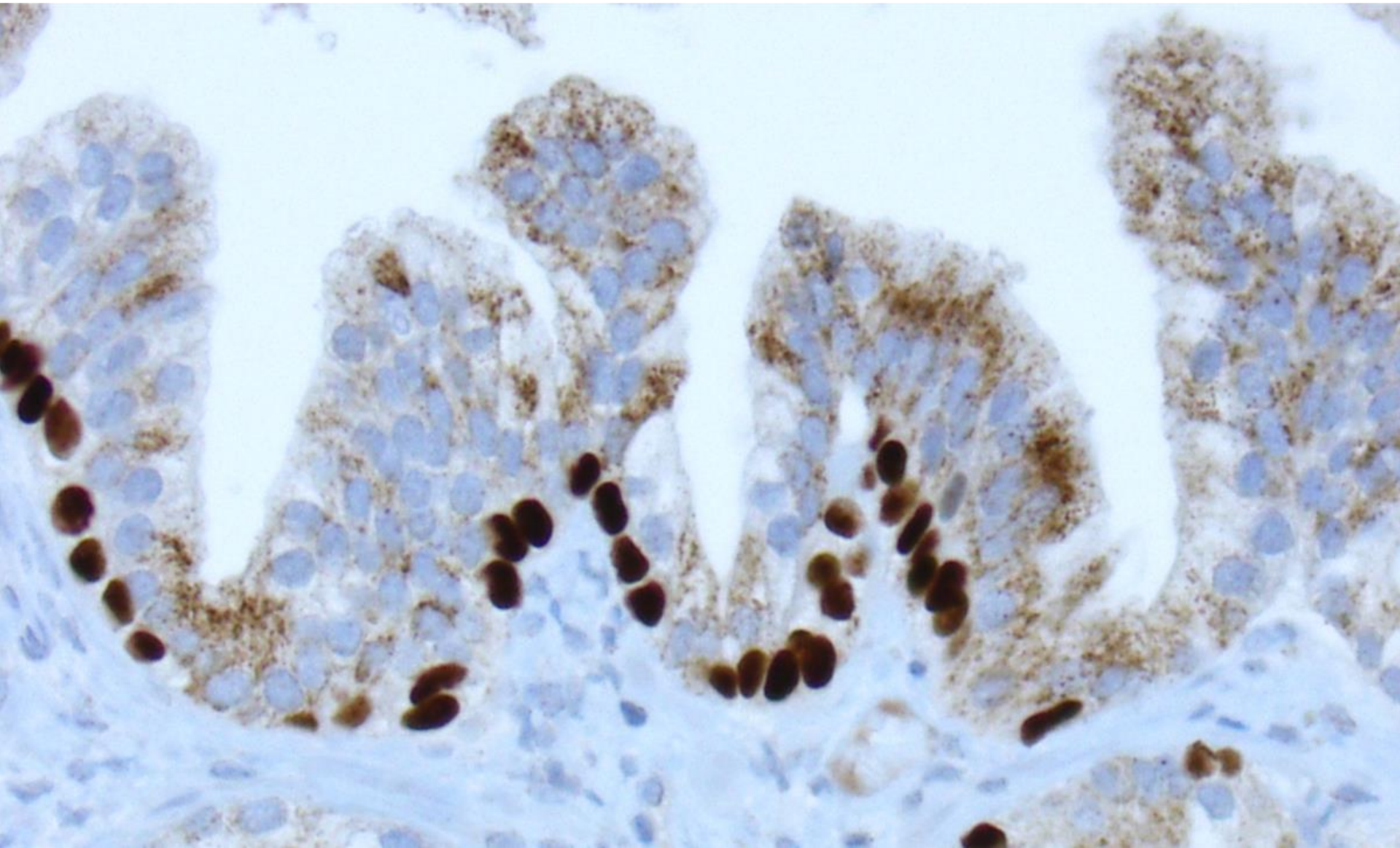
Context Molecular profiling of prostate cancer has led to the identification of candidate biomarkers and regulatory genes. Discoveries from these genome-scale approaches may have applicability in the analysis of diagnostic prostate specimens.

Objectives To determine the expression and clinical utility of α-methylacyl coenzyme A racemase (*AMACR*), a gene identified as being overexpressed in prostate cancer by global profiling strategies.

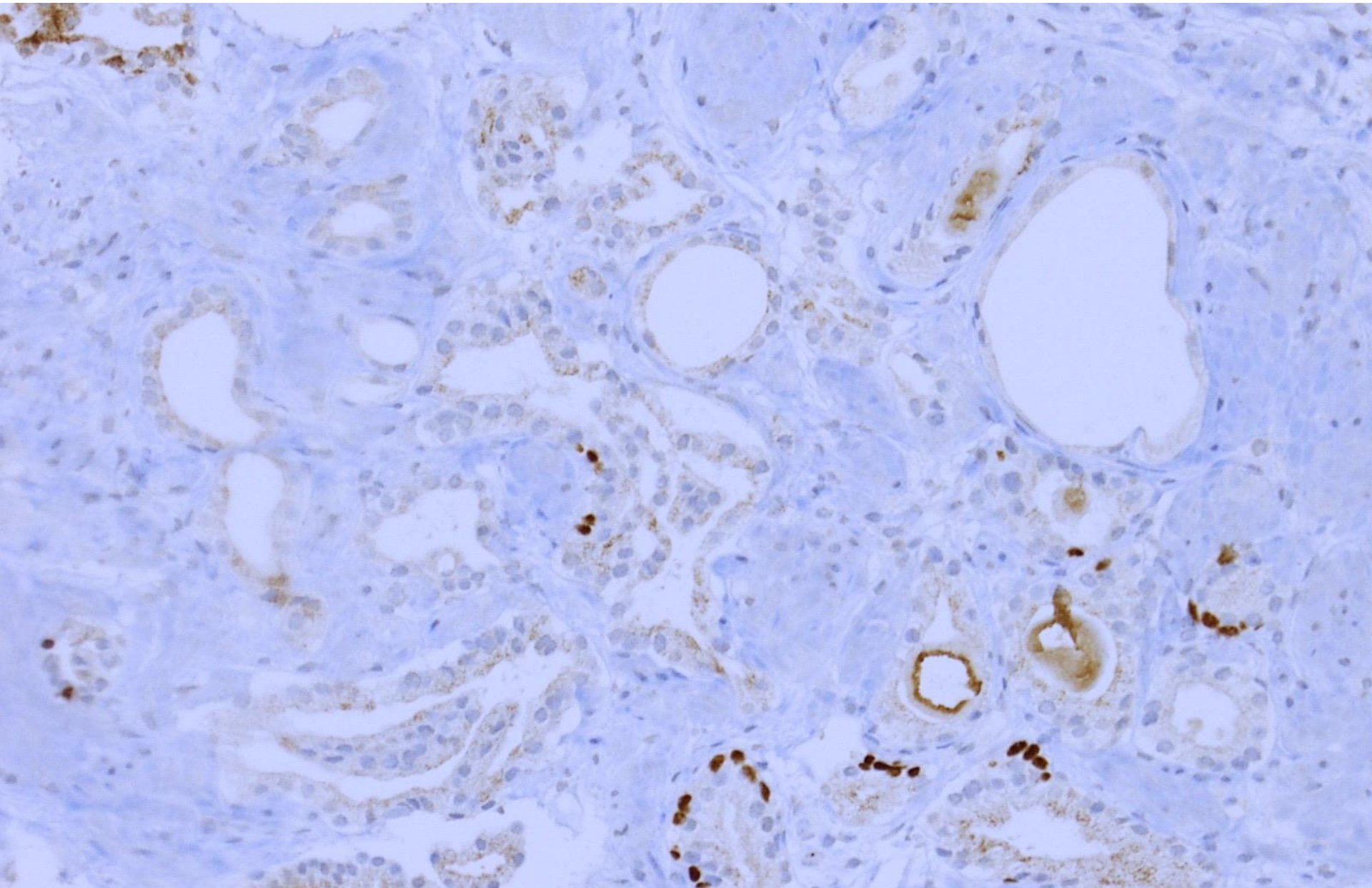
Next Step: Combination of basal cell markers & AMACR

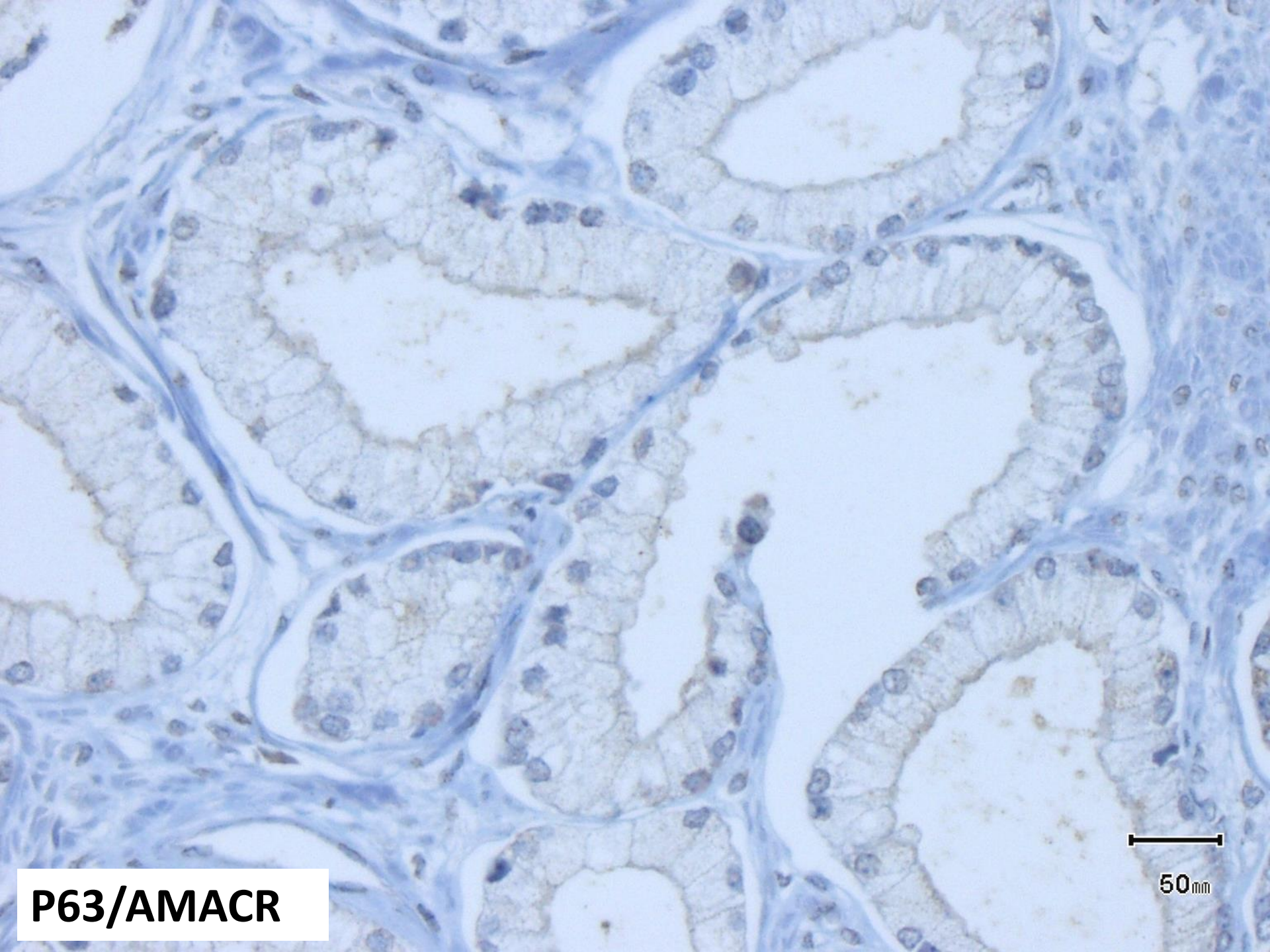


AMACR in benign glands



AMACR in Partial Atrophy





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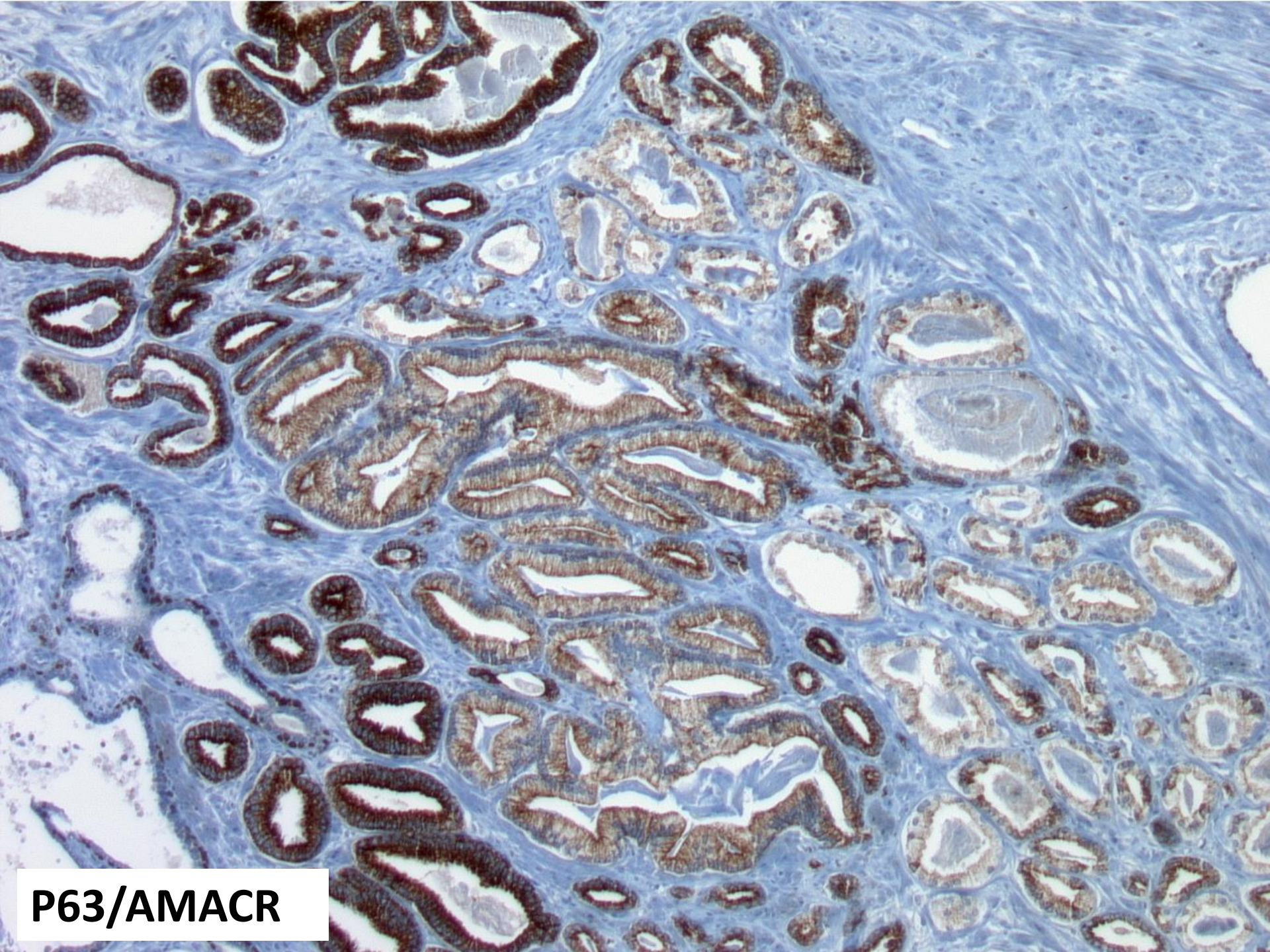

P63/AMACR

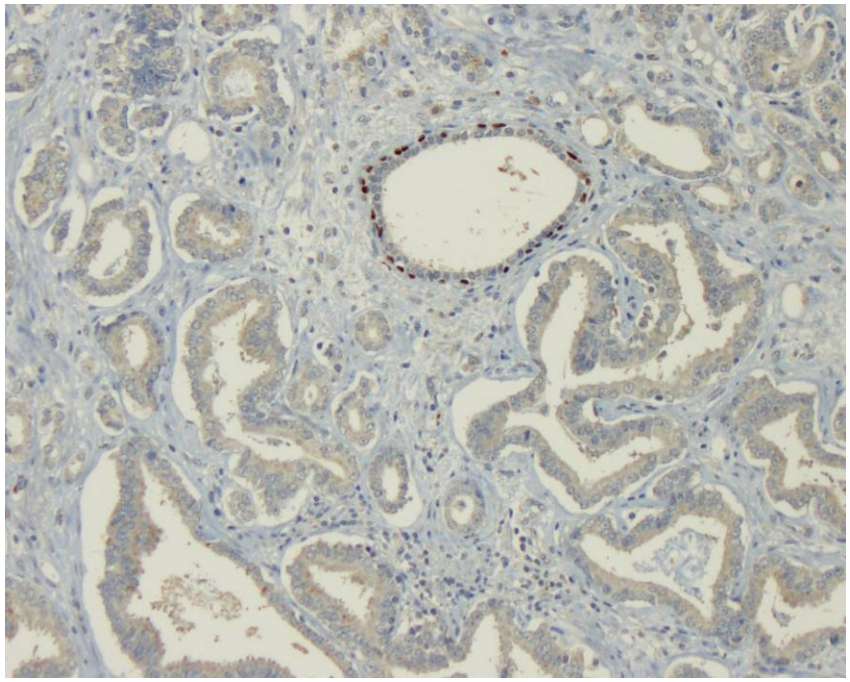
AMACR-Immunoreactivity in Prostate Cancer:

- 95% of cases positive (T>N)
- heterogenous in appr. 50% of cases
- Dependent on fixation and processing

- Important marker in small lesions
- **Pitfall:** nephrogenic adenoma +++
- **Pitfall:** adenosis/partial atrophy in 20%-30% positive (but rarely strong)

Fatty acid synthase (FASN) – alternative positive marker of prostate Cancer

- 93% of cases + (T>N)
- In 91% of AMACR-neg. cases positive



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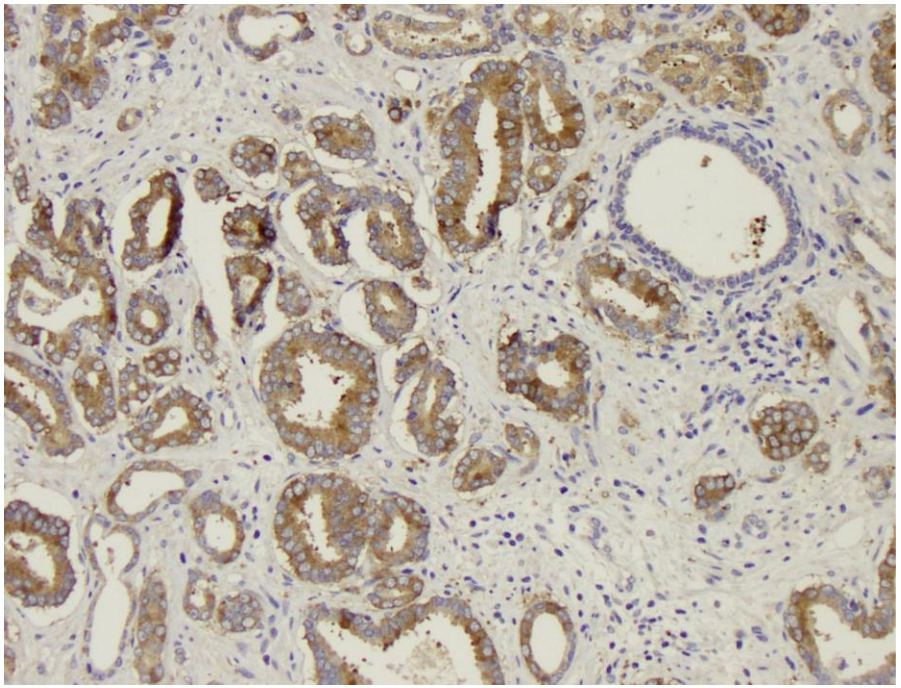
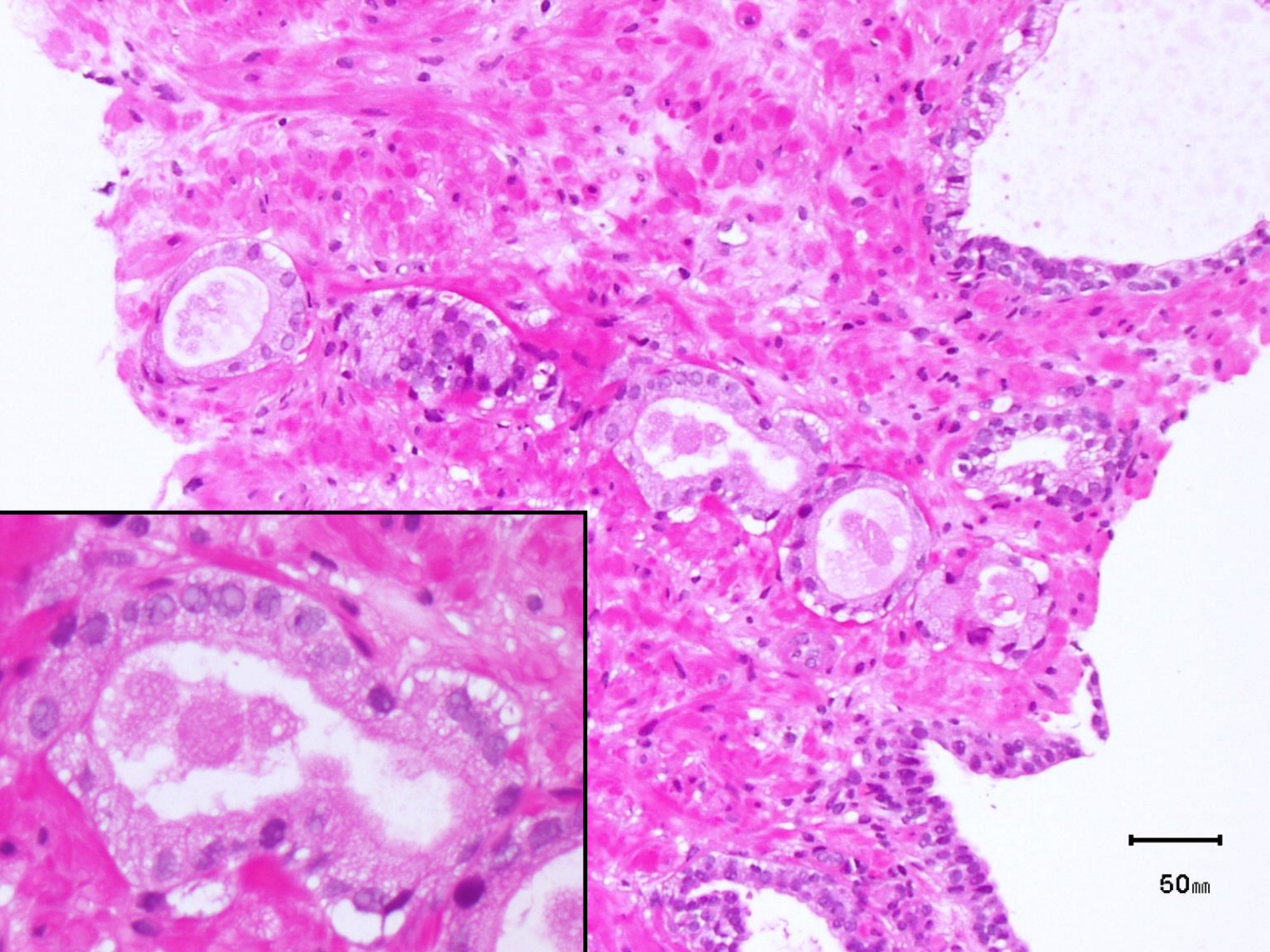


FASN

Tischler *et al.,* Histopathology. 2010 May;56(6):811-5.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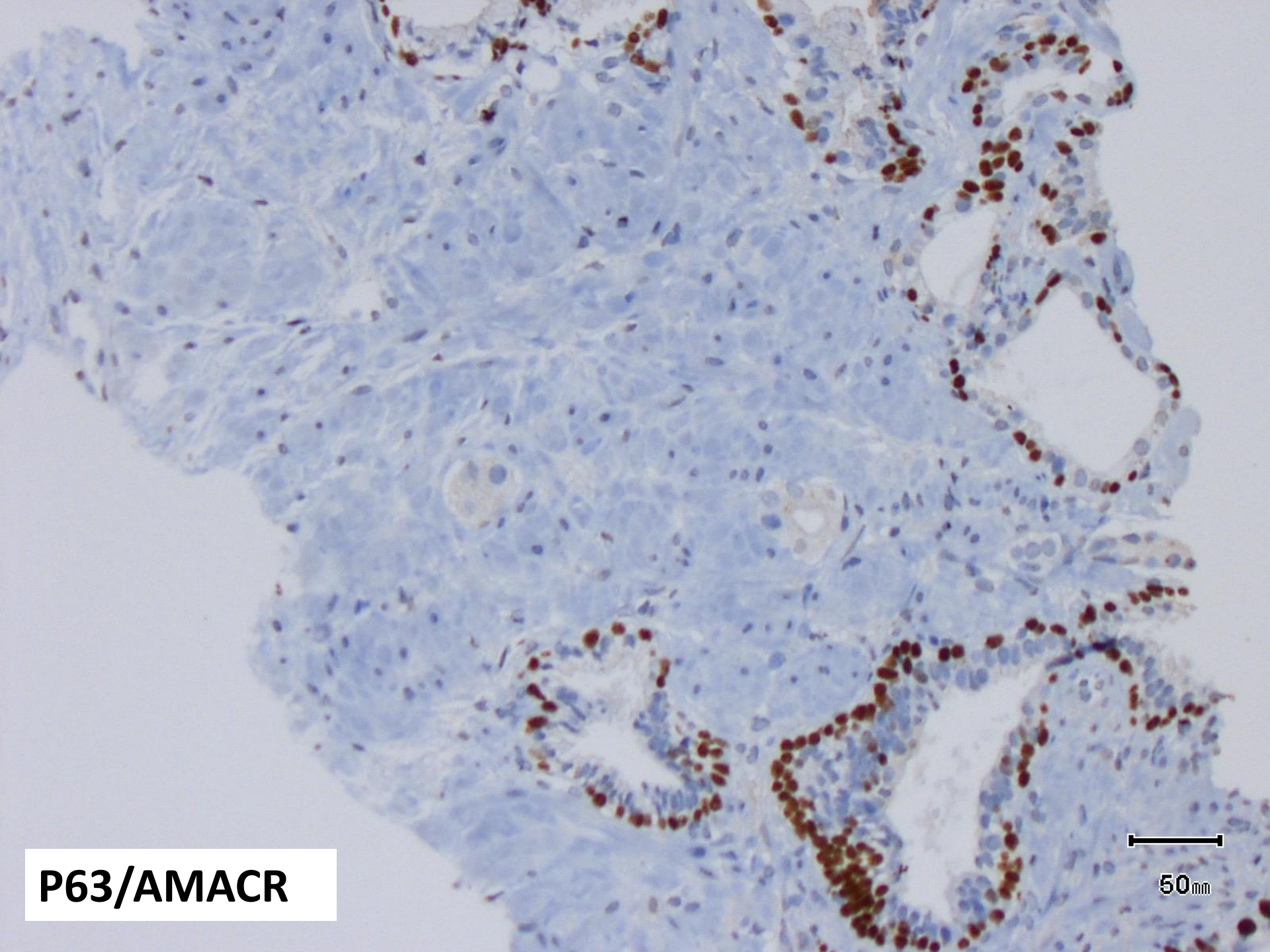
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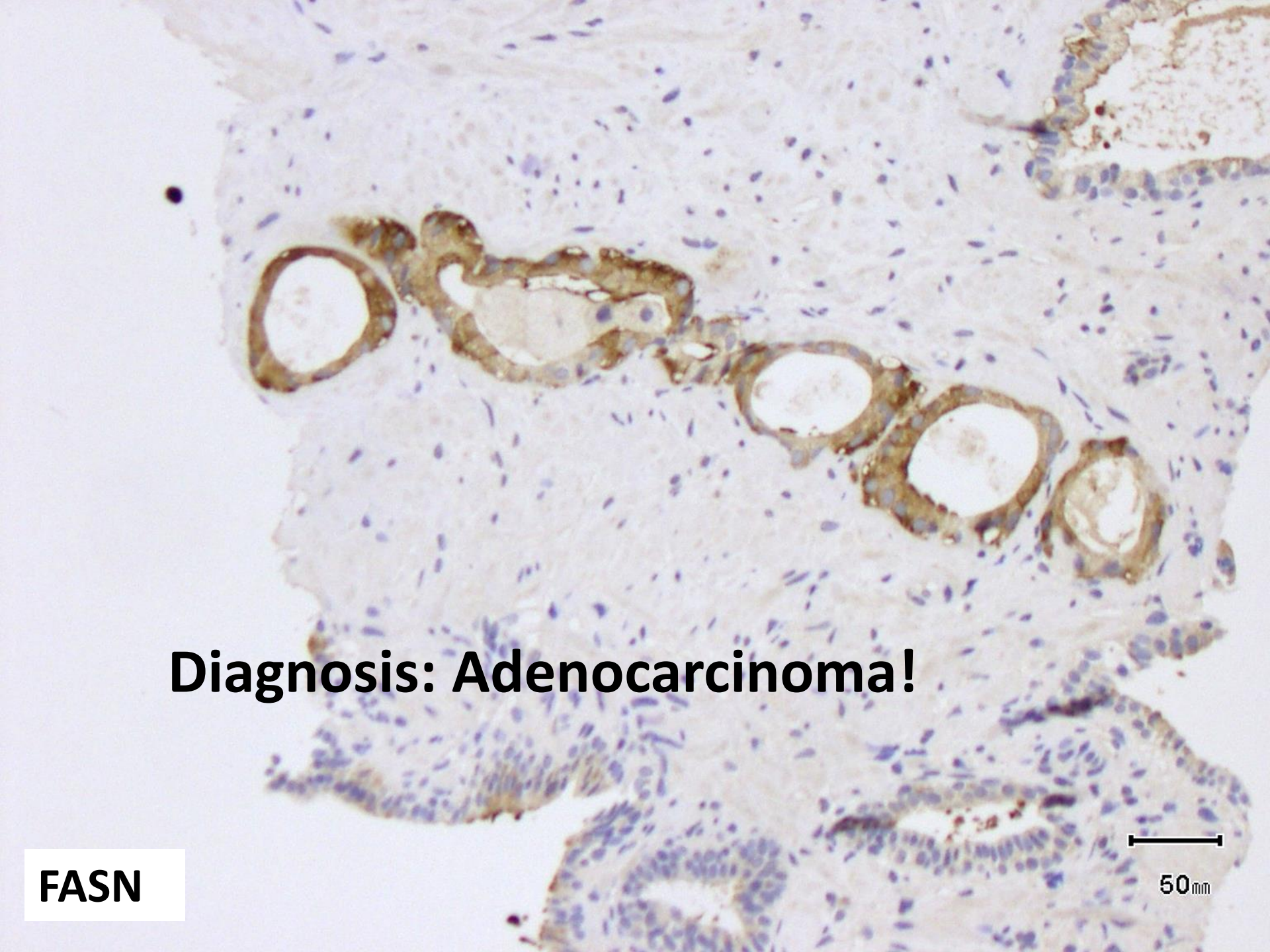
Diagnosis: Adenocarcinoma!
FASN
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FASN is a novel diagnostic Marker of Prostate Cancer

Detection of > 92% of cases

In combination mit p63/AMACR: > 99%

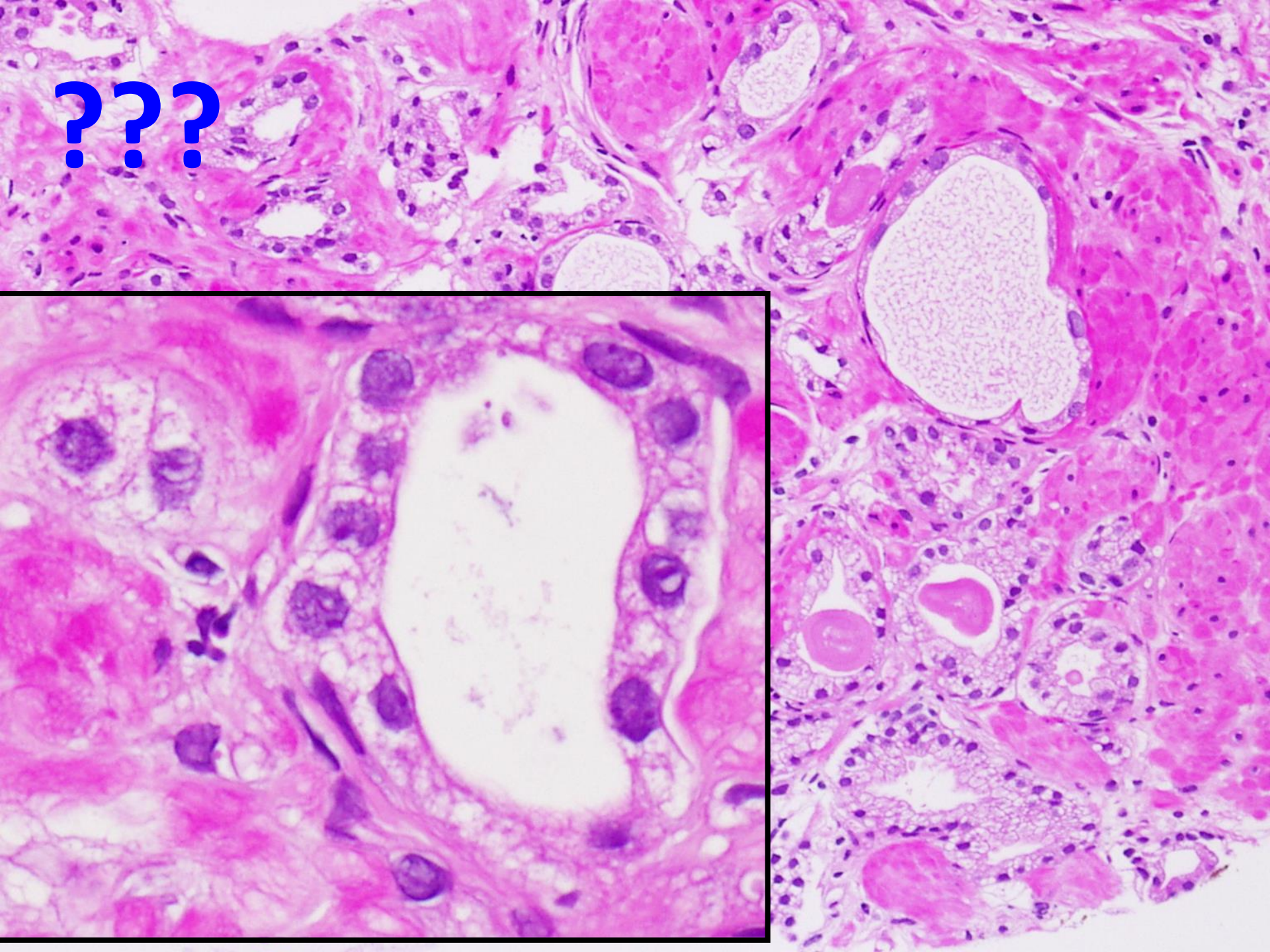
(91% of AMACR-negative case were FASN-positive)

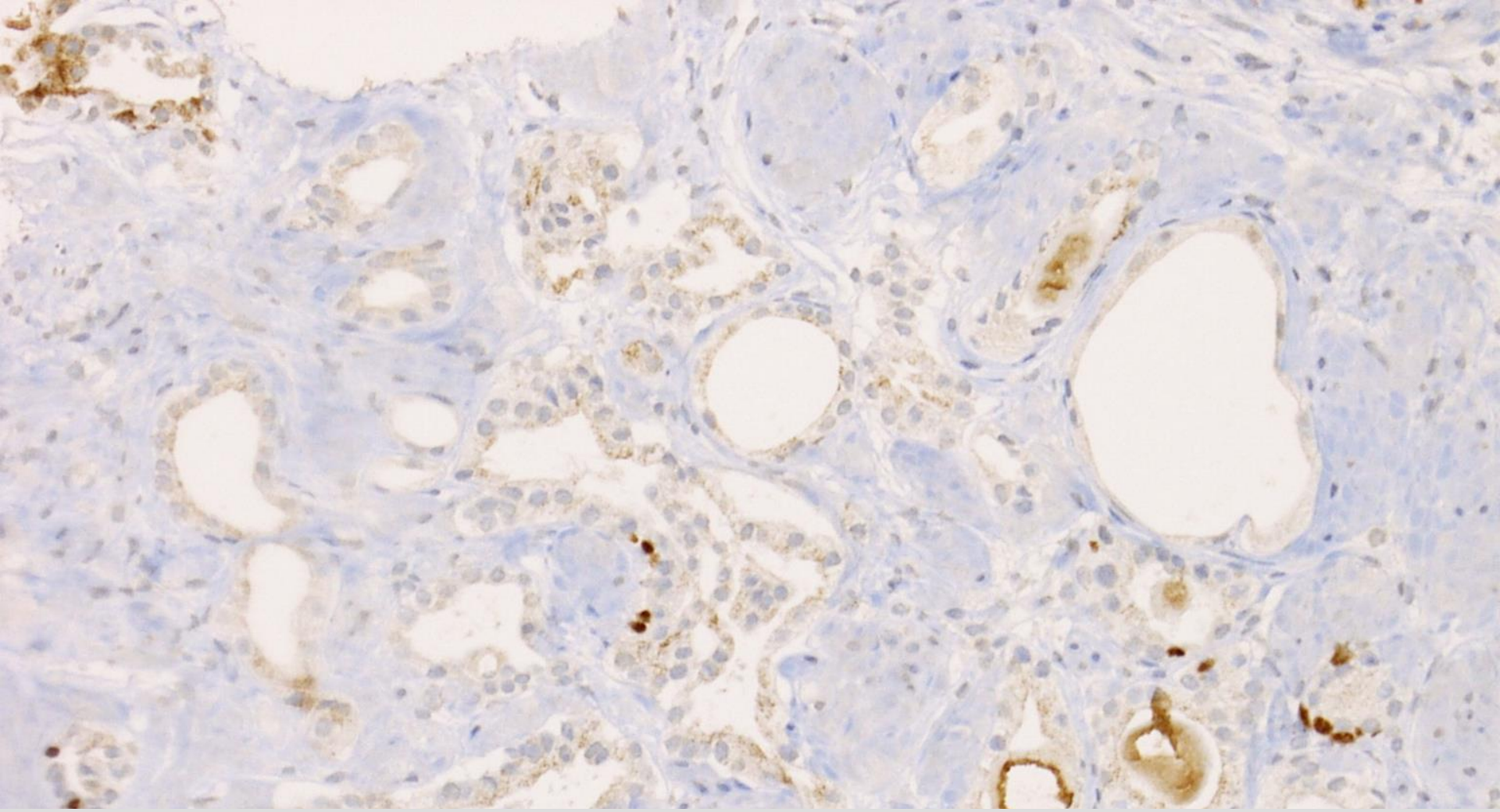
No correlation to pT, Gleason Score

No prognostic value

In routine use at University of Zurich and University of Bonn,

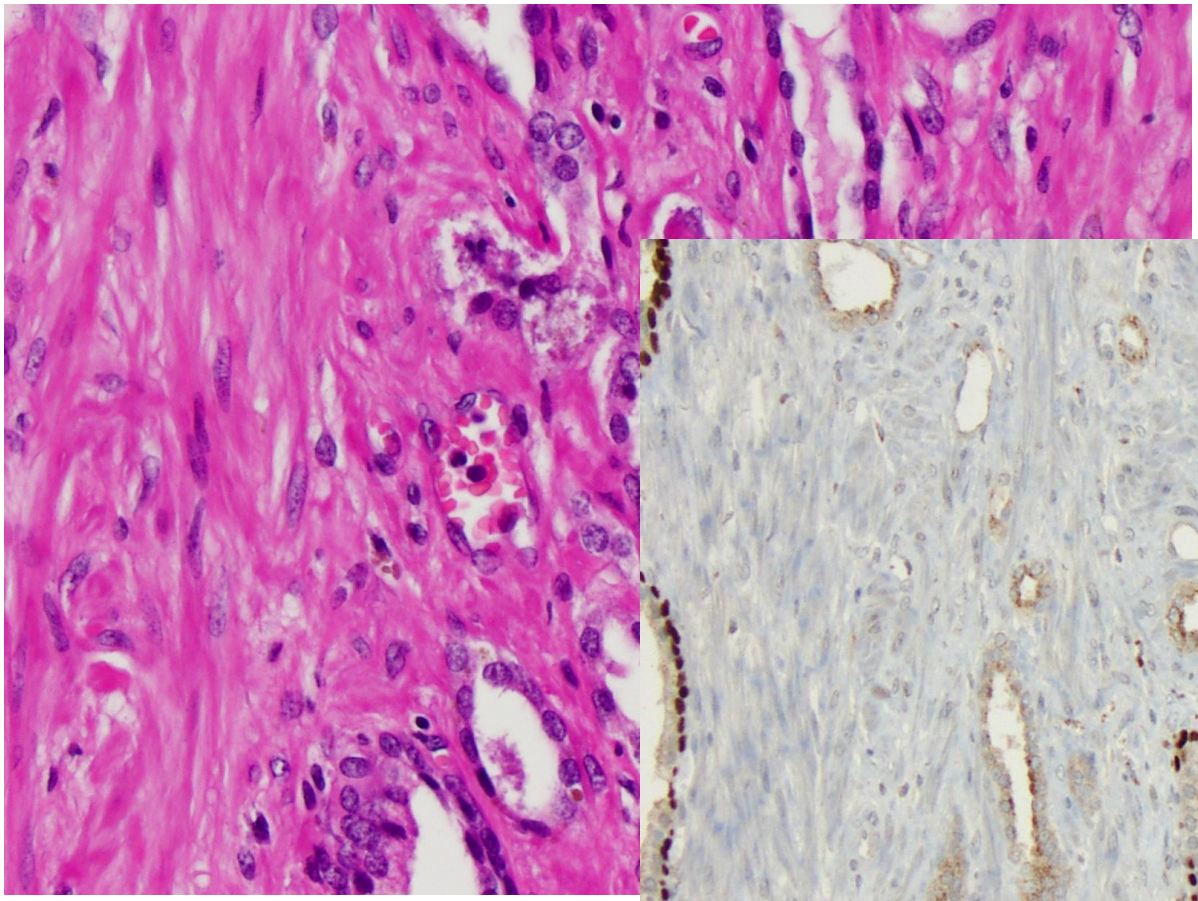
(as second line positive marker)

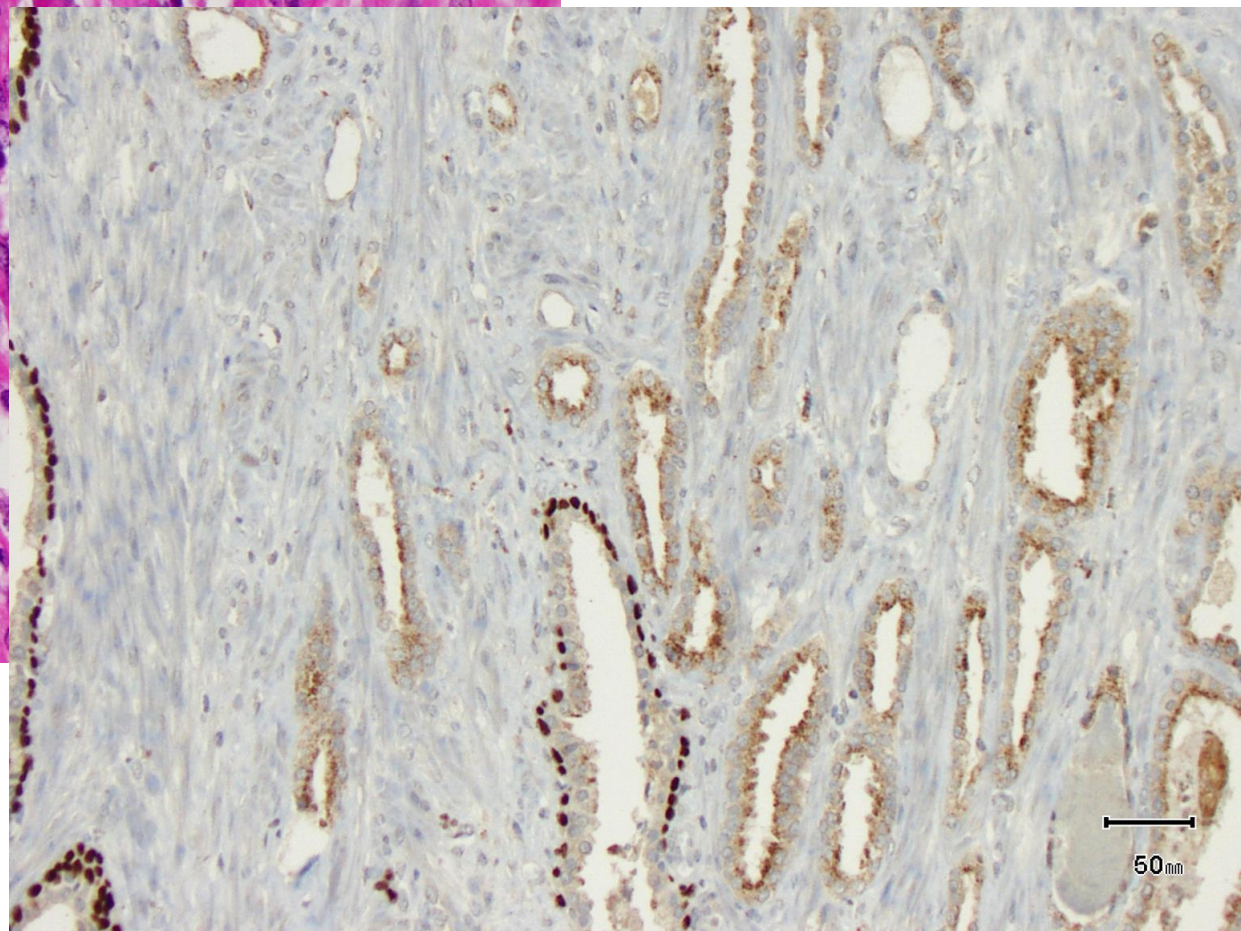


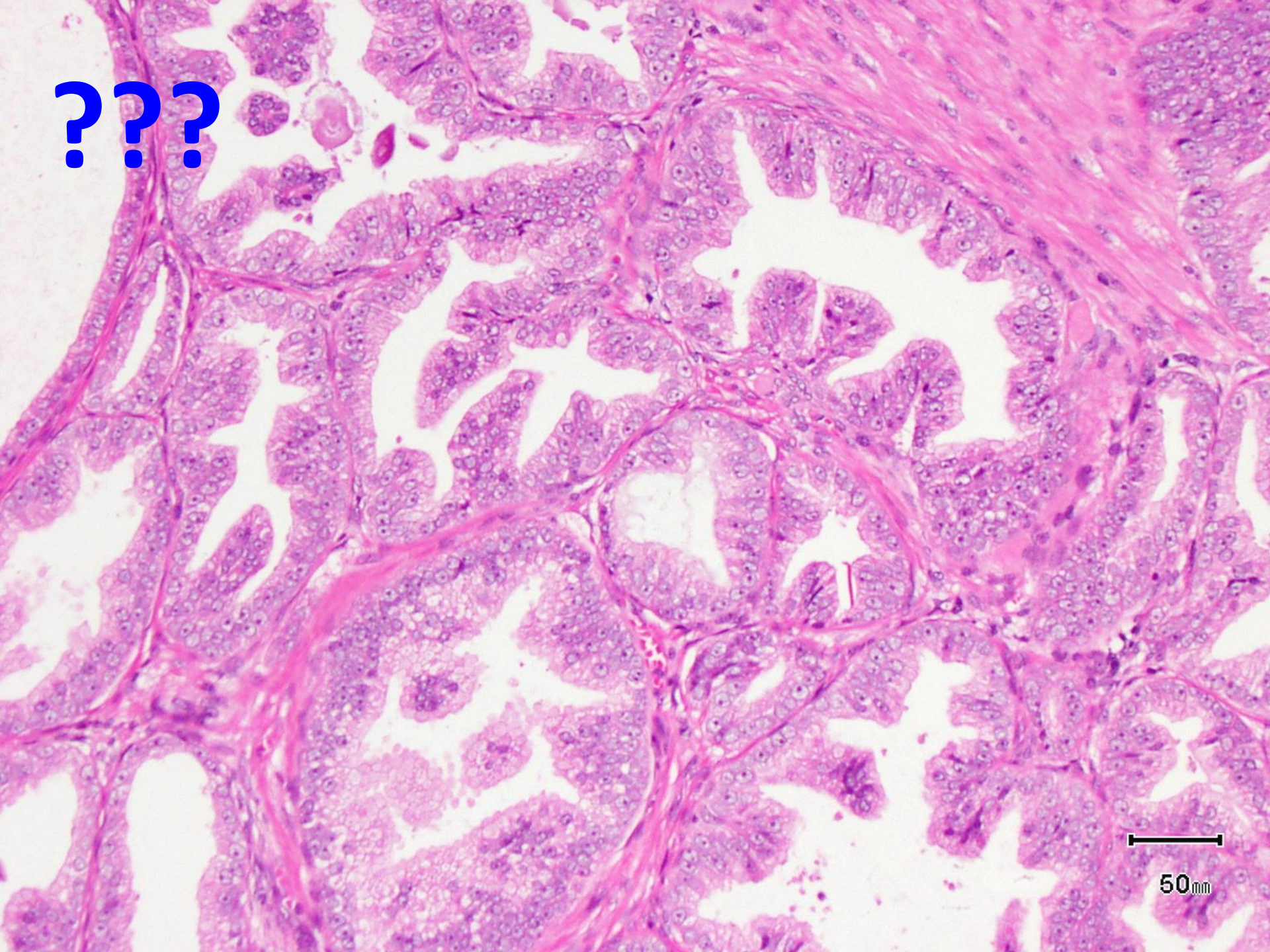


Partial Atrophy:
Atypical immunophenotype
(p63-, AMACR+/-) in up to 30% !!!

Pitfall in Pitfalls: Atrophic Carcinoma



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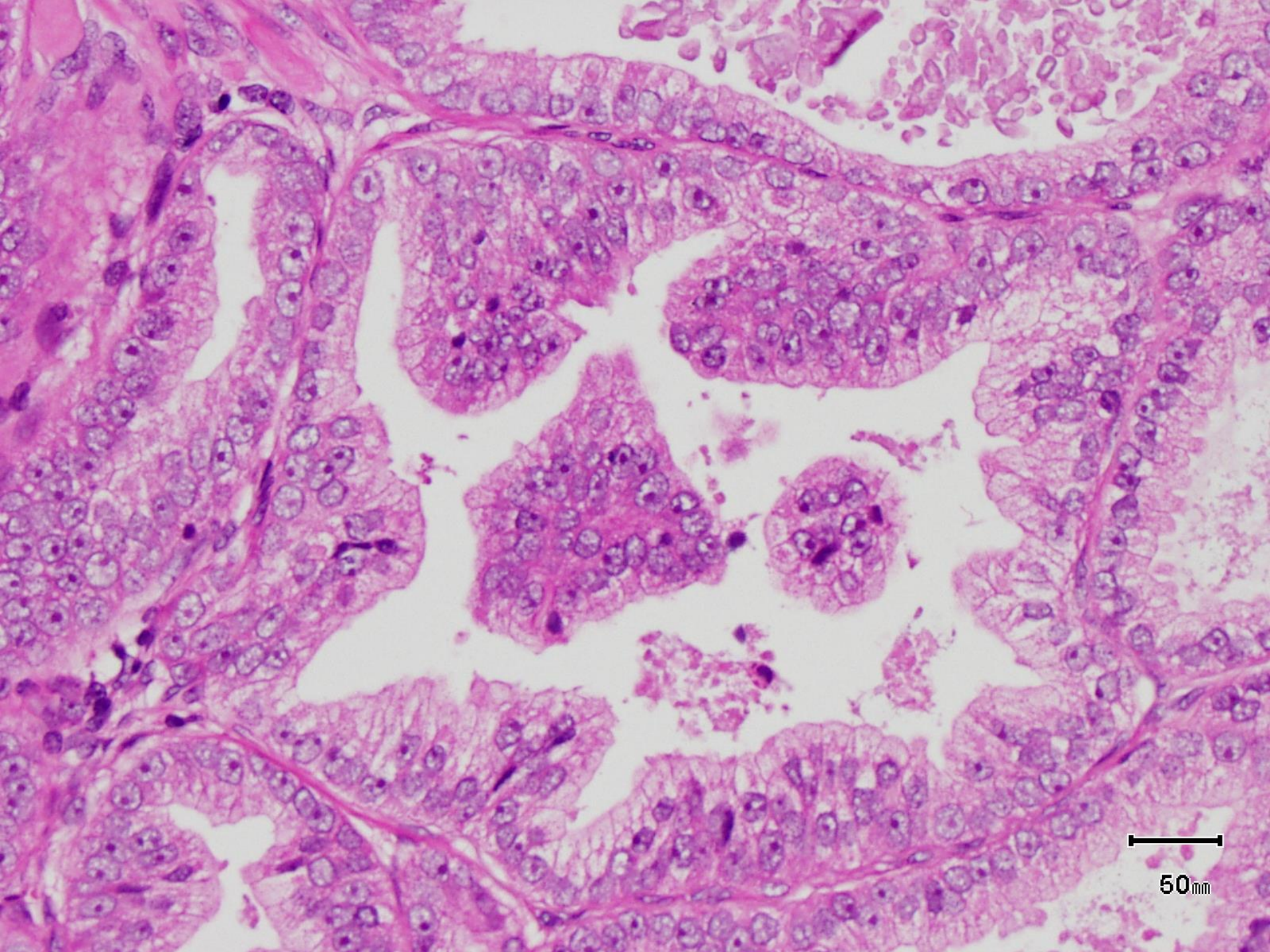
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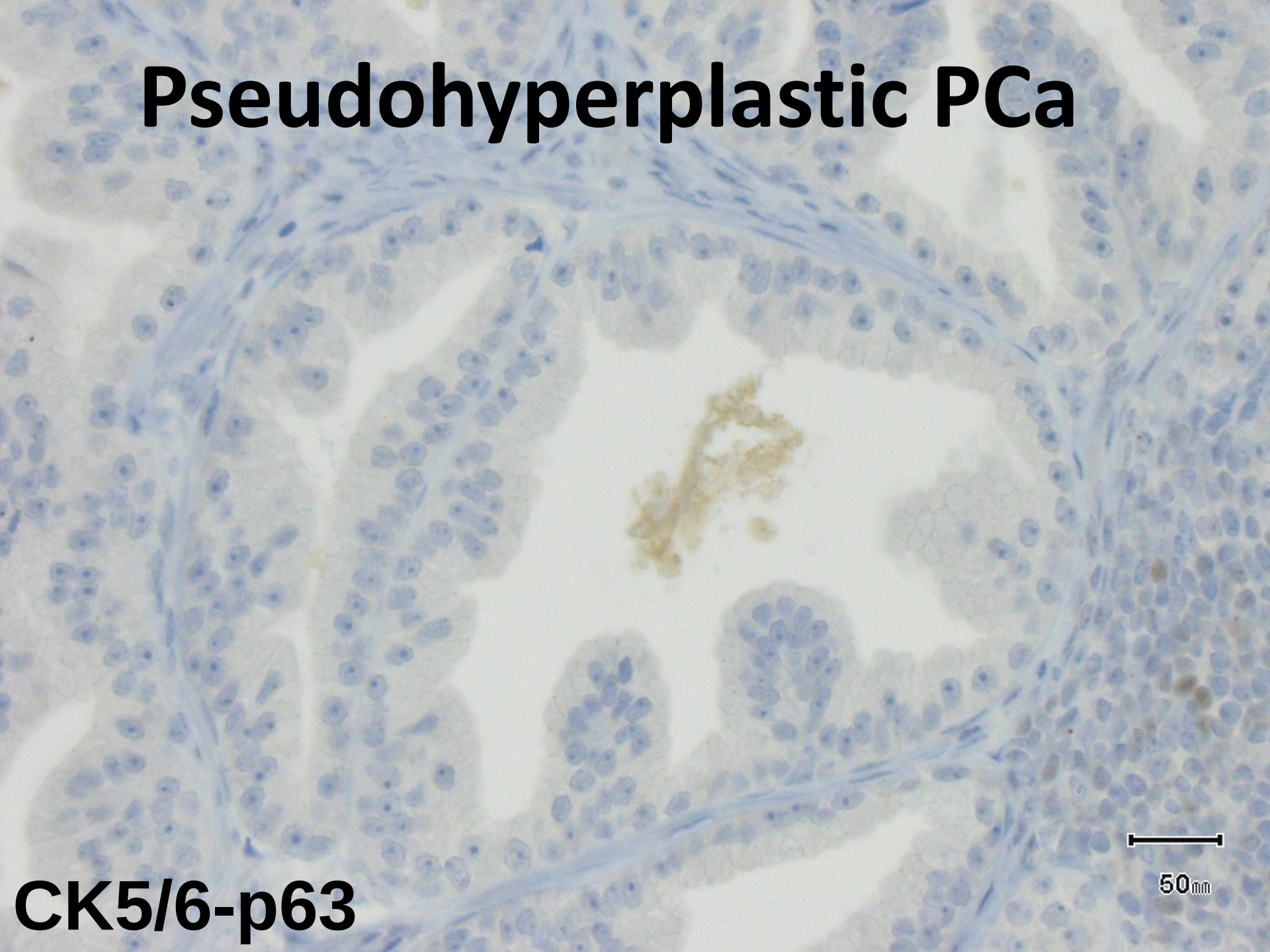
Pseudohyperplastic PCa



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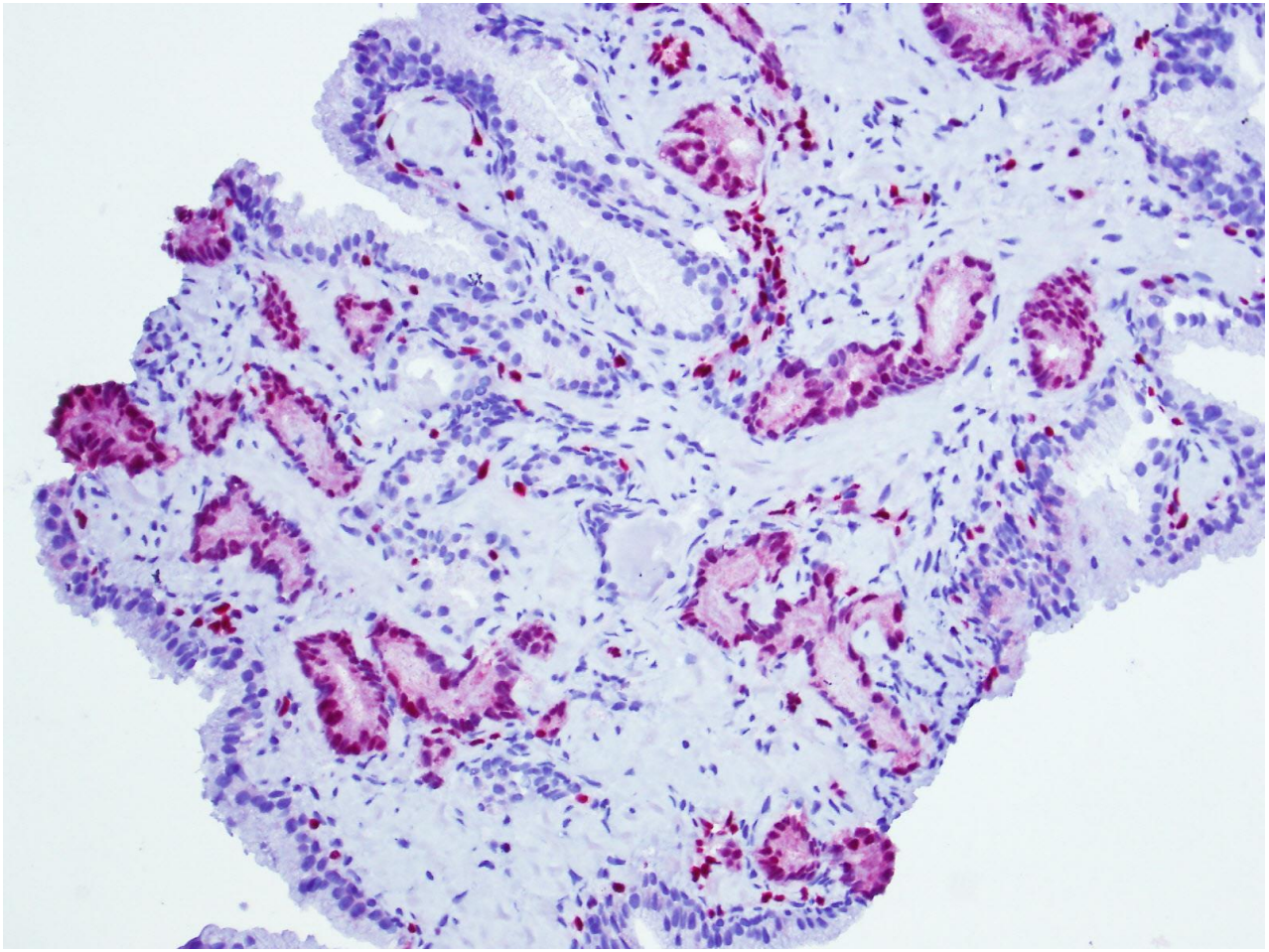
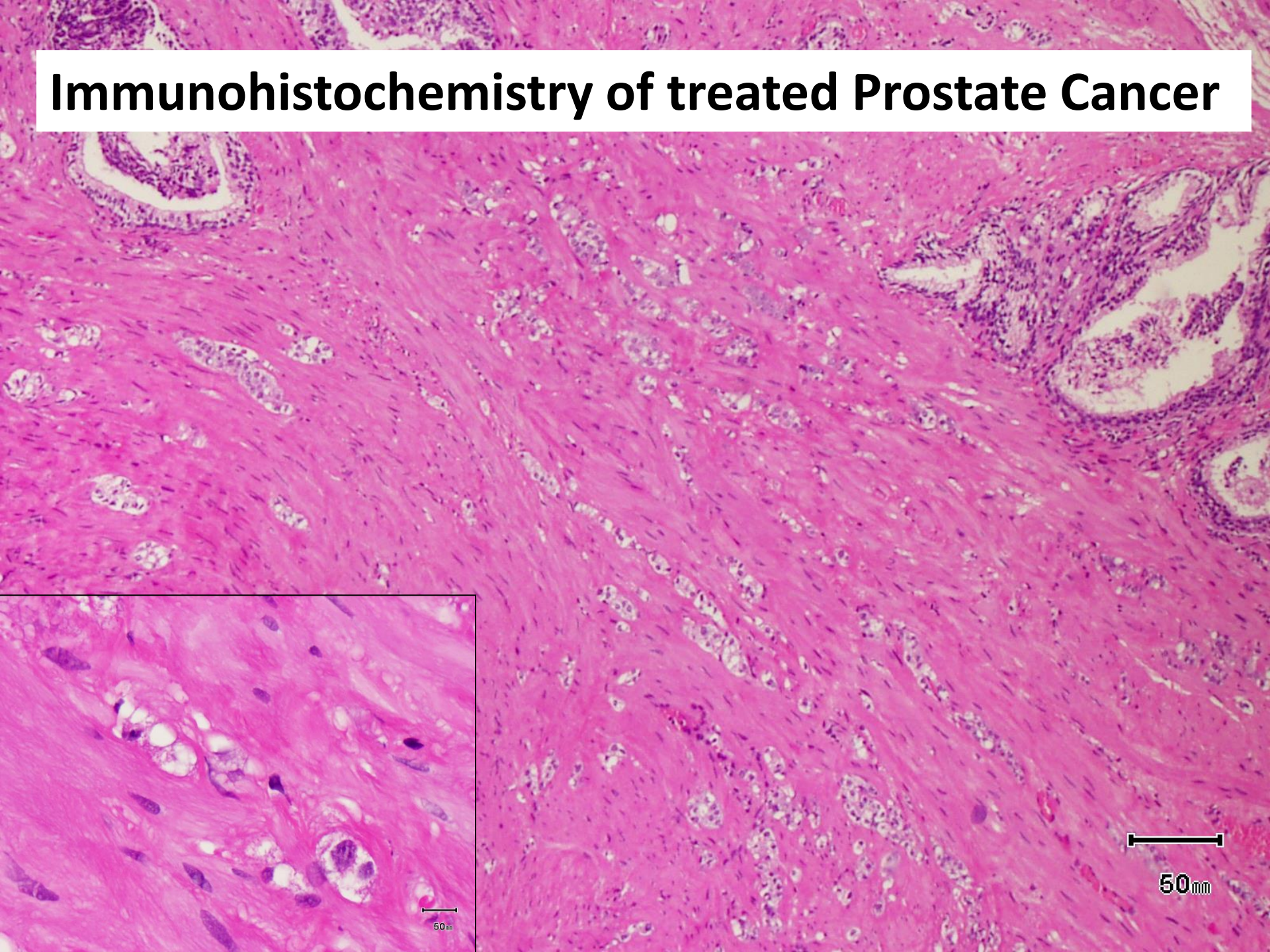
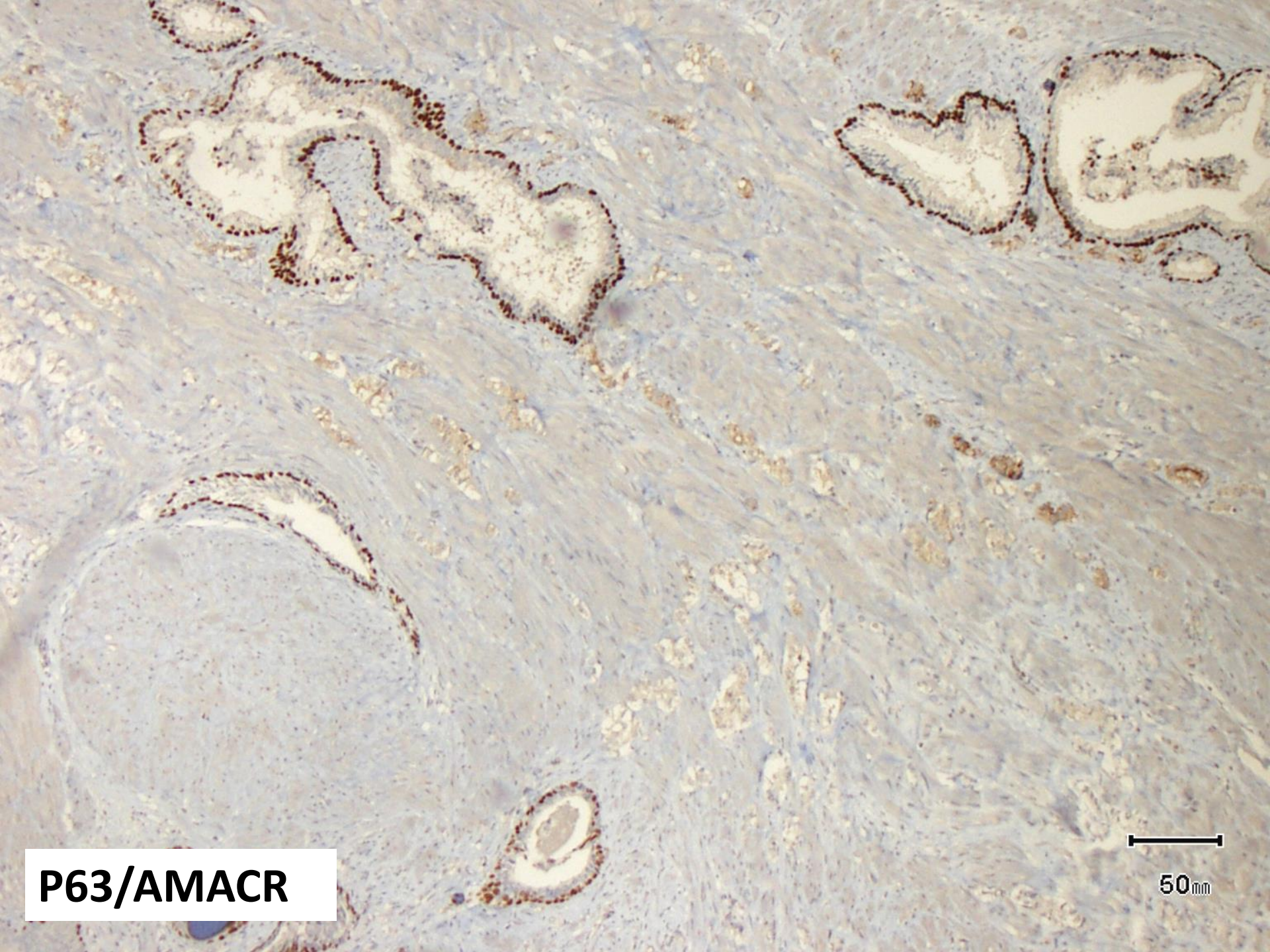
Last resort: ERG

- positive in 50% of PCa



Immunohistochemistry of treated Prostate Cancer

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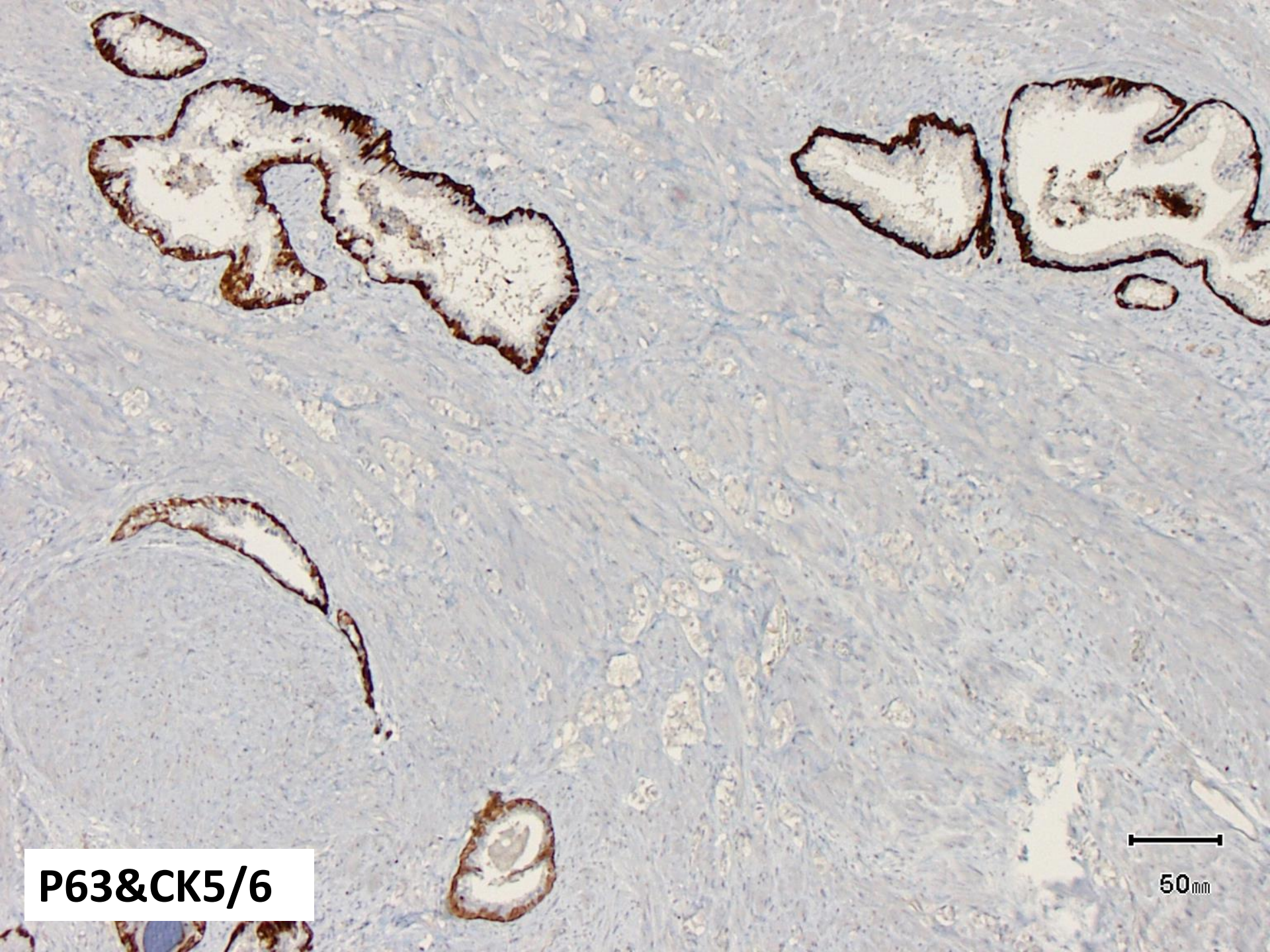
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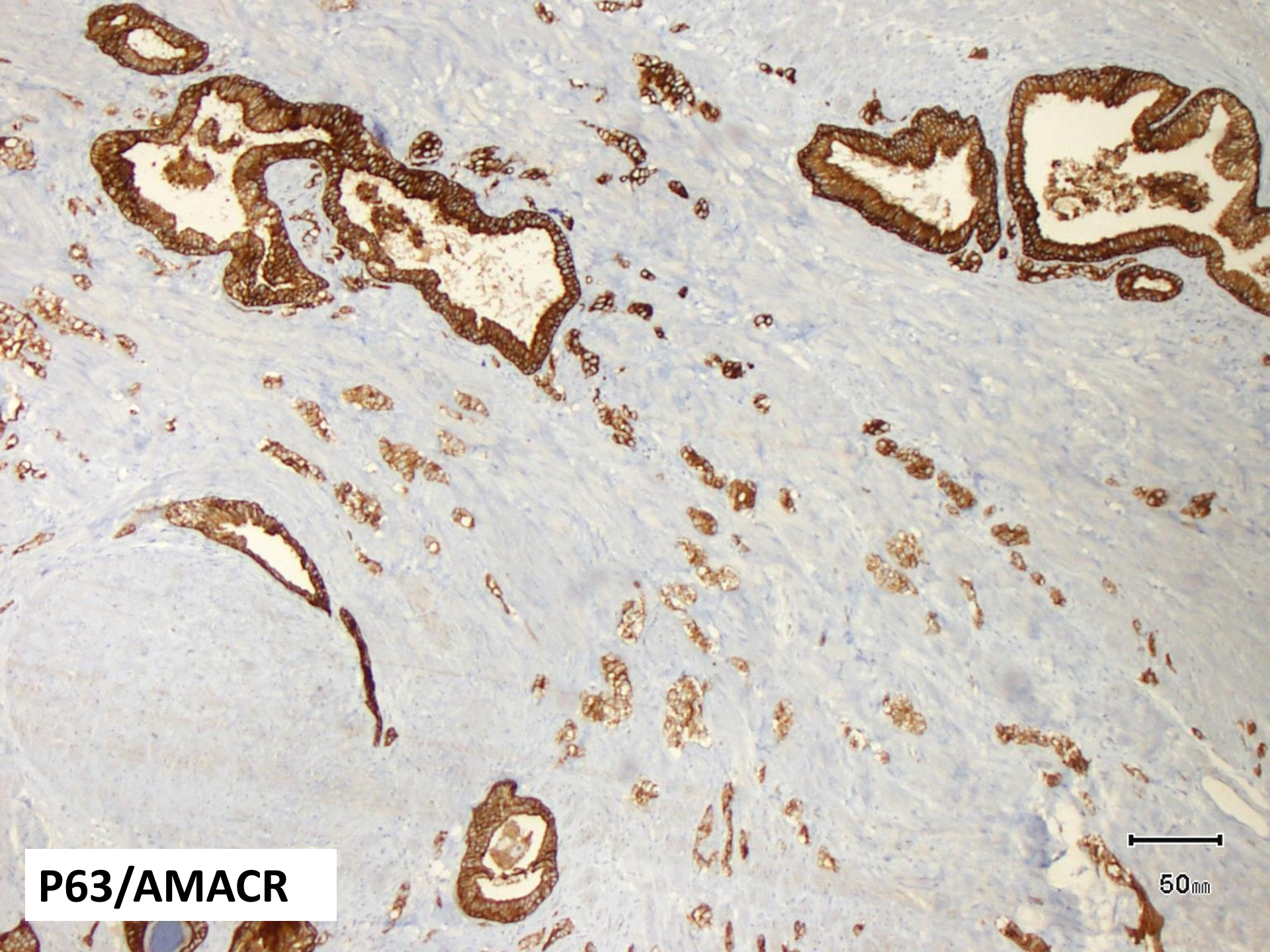
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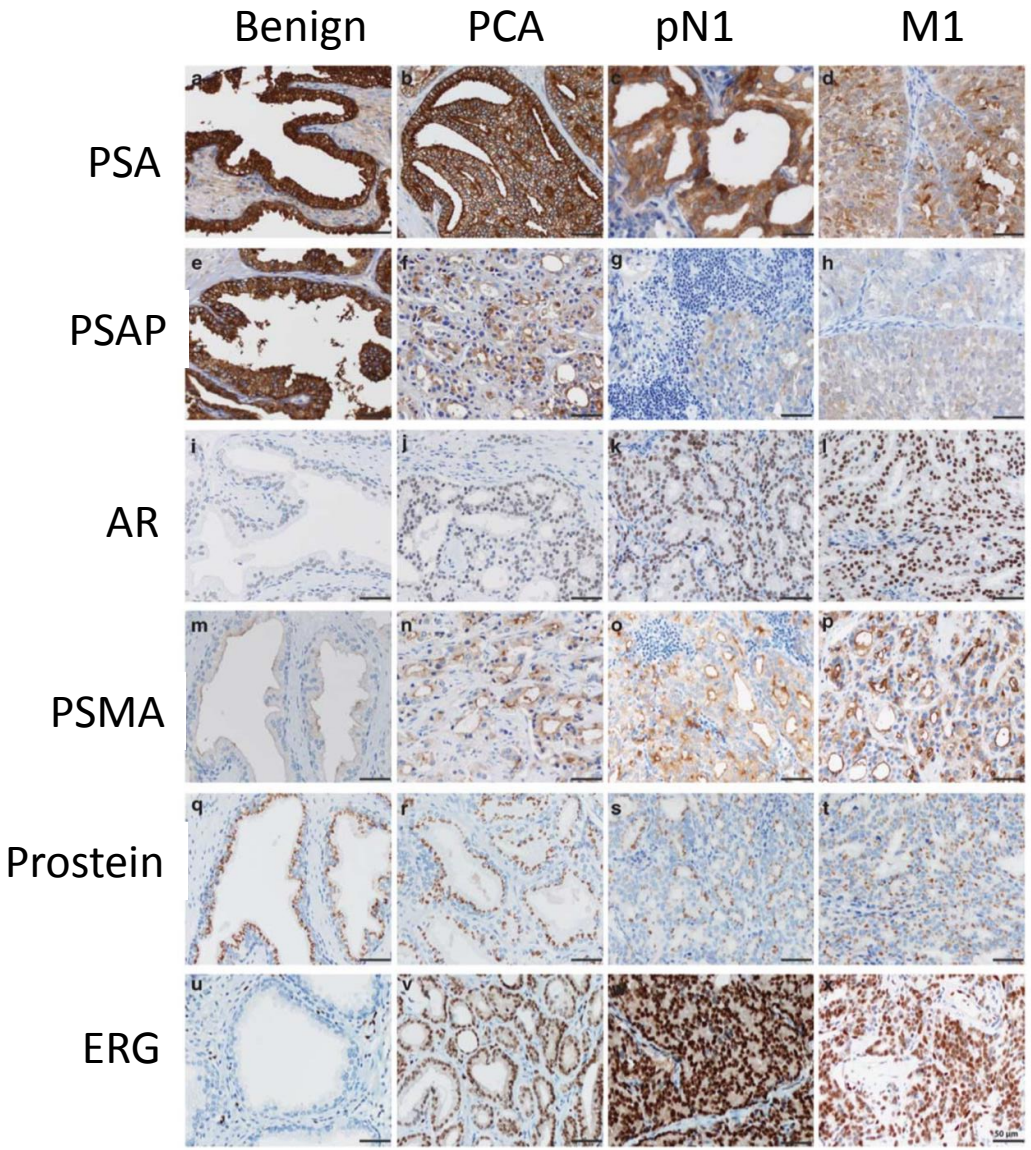
What to look at after ADT/Radiation?

1. Morphology
2. PanCK/PSA
3. p63&CK5/6

Confirmation of Prostatic Origin



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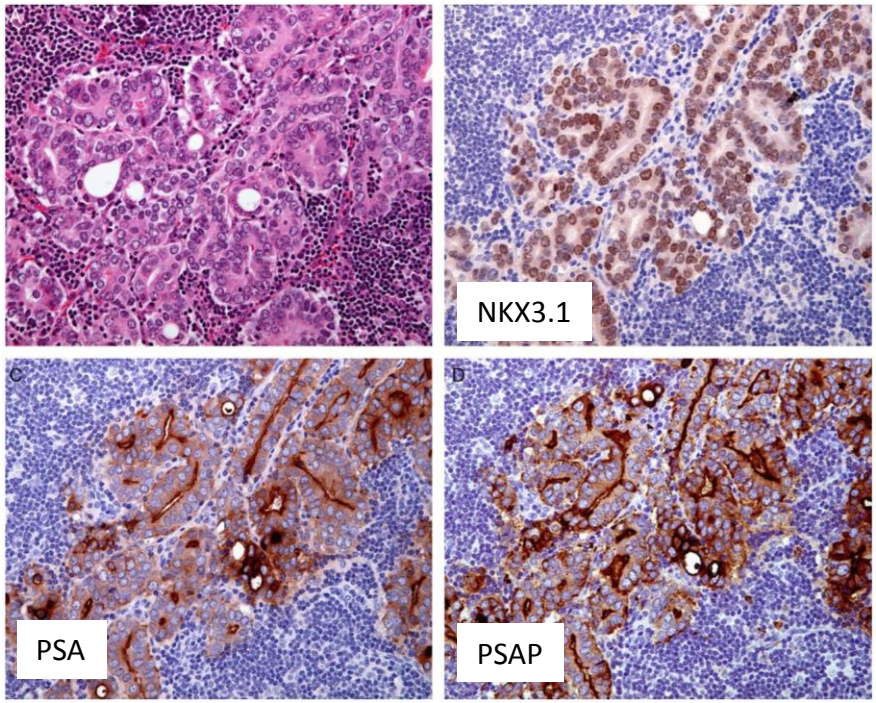

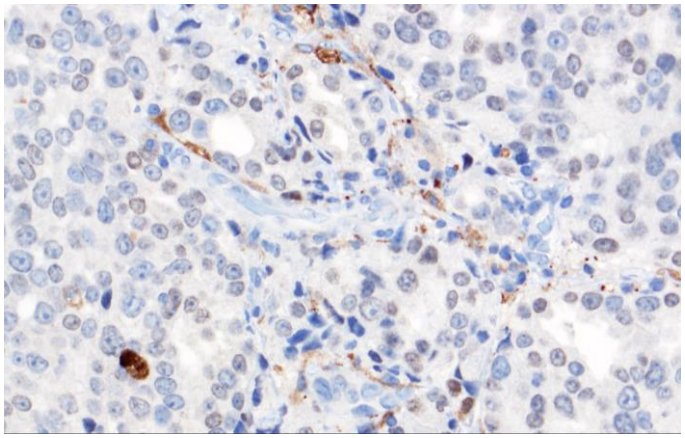

Very good marker, note that staining may be weak or patchy.

TABLE 3. The Average Percentage of Positively Stained Cells and the Calculated Staining Scores of NKX3.1, PSA and PSAP for Normal Prostate, Primary and Metastatic Prostate Carcinoma

	NKX3.1		PSA‘		PSAP	
	% Positive (Range)	Staining Score(SD)	% Positive (Range)	Staining Score(SD)	% Positive (Range)	Staining Score(SD)
Normal Prostate	92.0 (38.3-100)	218.3 (85.22)	965.0 (0-100)	241.7 (76.88)	97.6 (0-100)	287.8 (50.96)
Primary Ca	84.7 (25-100)	179.1 (77.84)	87.3 (10-100)	180.7 (91.36)	98.6 (85-100)	249.2 (64.35)
Lymph Node Met	74.2 (0-100)	155.4 (84.78)	80.1 (0-100)	1743.0 (99.14)	94.4 (0-100)	235.6 (78.24)
Distant Site Met	54.0 (0-88.3)	111.4 (85.36)	30.8 (0-100)	50.8 (92.83)	74.2 (0-100)	162.0 (116.49)
Average	80.5	175.9 (87.83)	83.1	186.0 (101.29)	95.0	248.5 (77.32)

ISUP-Recommendation: PCA vs. Urothelial Ca

TABLE 2. Prostate Antibodies Used in the Differential Diagnosis of PCa Versus Urothelial Carcinoma

Antibody	Advantages	Disadvantages
PSA	~85%-90% (+) in GS10	Negative in a subset of high-grade PCa
	Commonly available	Weak nonspecific cytoplasmic (+) lead to false (+)
	Negative in UC	
PSAP	Polyclonal (+) in ~85%-90% GS10	Monoclonal used in many kits lower sensitivity
	Commonly available	
	Negative in UC	
P501S (prostein)	(+) in many PSA (–) PCa	Not as widely used
	Coarse cytoplasmic granules reduce false (+)	
	Negative in UC	
NKX3.1	(+) in many PSA (–) PCa	Not as widely used
	Nuclear stain reduce false (+)	
	Negative in UC	
AR	High sensitivity for PCa	Positive in some UC
AMACR	High sensitivity for PCa	Positive in some UC
PSMA	High sensitivity for PCa	Positive in 14% of UC
CK7/CK20	Negative CK7 favors PCa	Not specific as both can be positive in PCa
	Commonly available	
p63	Less false positive in PCa than UC vs. HMWCK	Only positive in ~2/3 of UC
	Diffuse positive in high grade cancer rules out PCa	Occasional false positive in PCa
	Widely used	
HMWCK	Diffuse positive rules out PCa	Only positive in ~2/3 of UC
	Widely used	Occasional false-positive cells in PCa

TABLE 3. Urothelial Antibodies Used in the Differential Diagnosis of PCa Versus Urothelial Carcinoma

Antibody	Advantages	Disadvantages
Thrombomodulin	Widely used	Positive in only 63% of high-grade UC
		Focal positive in 5% PCa
Uroplakin	Negative in PCa	Positive in only 60% of high-grade UC
GATA3	Almost always negative in PCa	
	Positive in 80% of high-grade UC	

UC indicates urothelial carcinoma.

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How to avoid (prostatic) disasters

Don’t rush. Take your time reading slides. 10X is a fine lens!

Be aware of benign mimickers.

Diagnose ”atypia” or ”suspicious for cancer” when in doubt (>5 minutes)
(…but do not over-use this diagnosis)

Use and interpret IHC with respect and caution. Morphology rules!

Topics:

1. Diagnostic IHC
2. **Prognostic IHC**
3. Prognostic molecular signatures
4. Molecular pathology, targeted therapy and predictive pathology in prostate cancer

Lack of prognostic markers??

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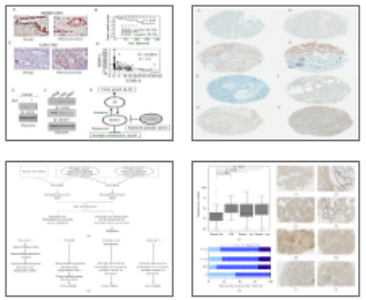

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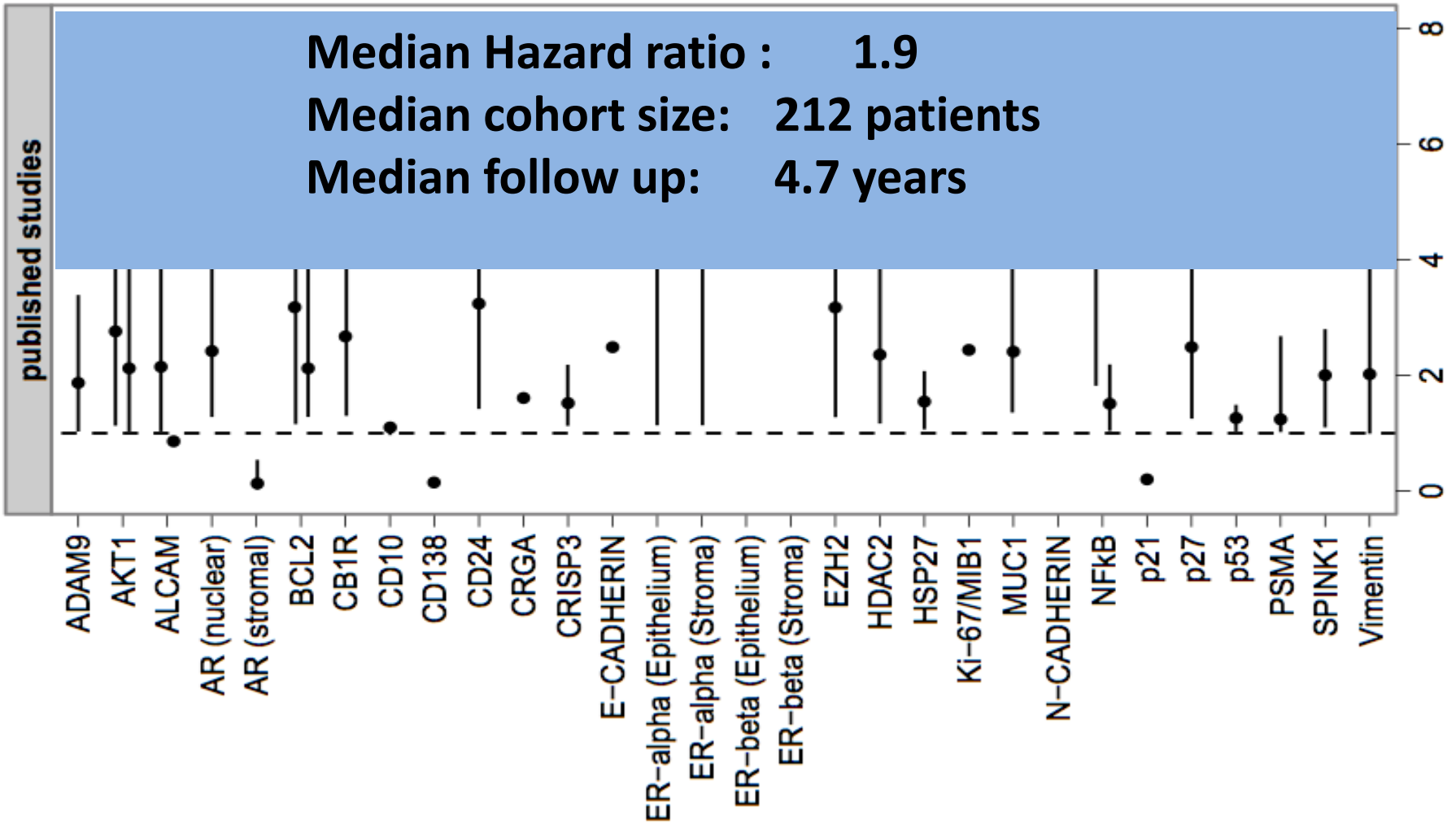
on average: 10 new prognostic markers per month!

How reproducible are immunohistochemical prognostic markers?

- **Pubmed: identification of 30 independent prognostic markers**



Validating published immunohistochemical prognostic markers:

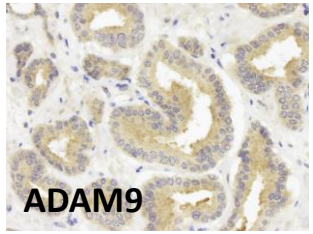
- Validation cohort-
  238 RPE cases (Zurich) on TMAs, 1 core/case

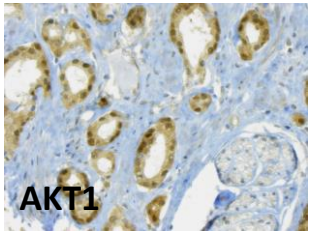
  median follow up: 5.3 years

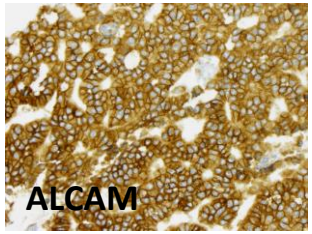
- Automated immunohistochemistry (Ventana/Bond)

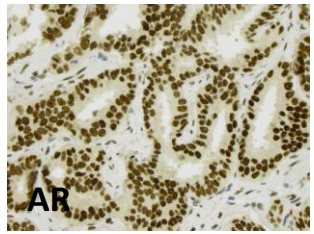
- Supervised reading of slide by a single investigator

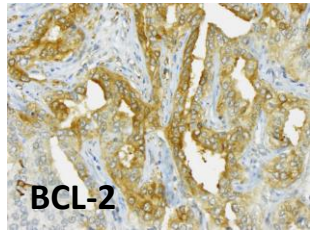
Staining Patterns of evaluated Prognostic Markers

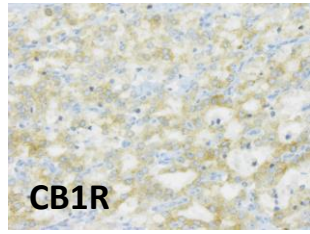


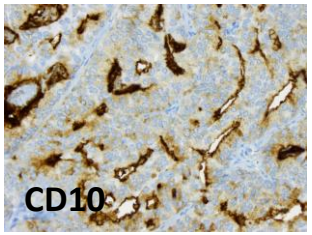


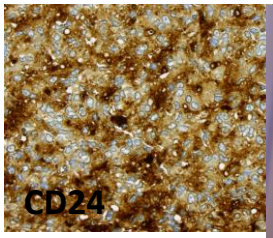


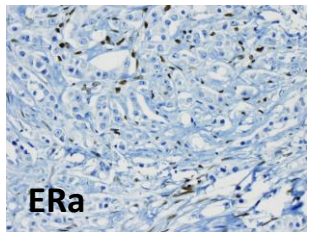


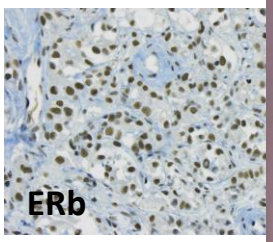


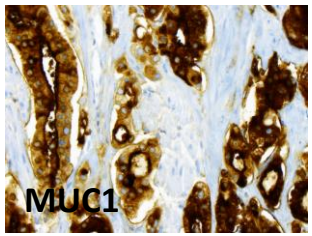


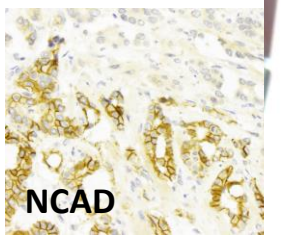


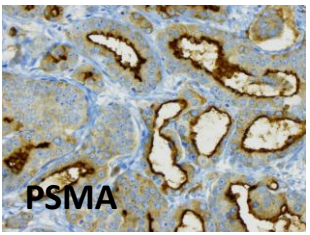


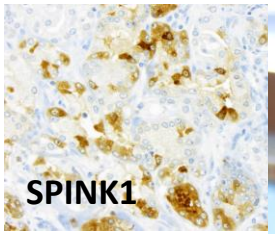


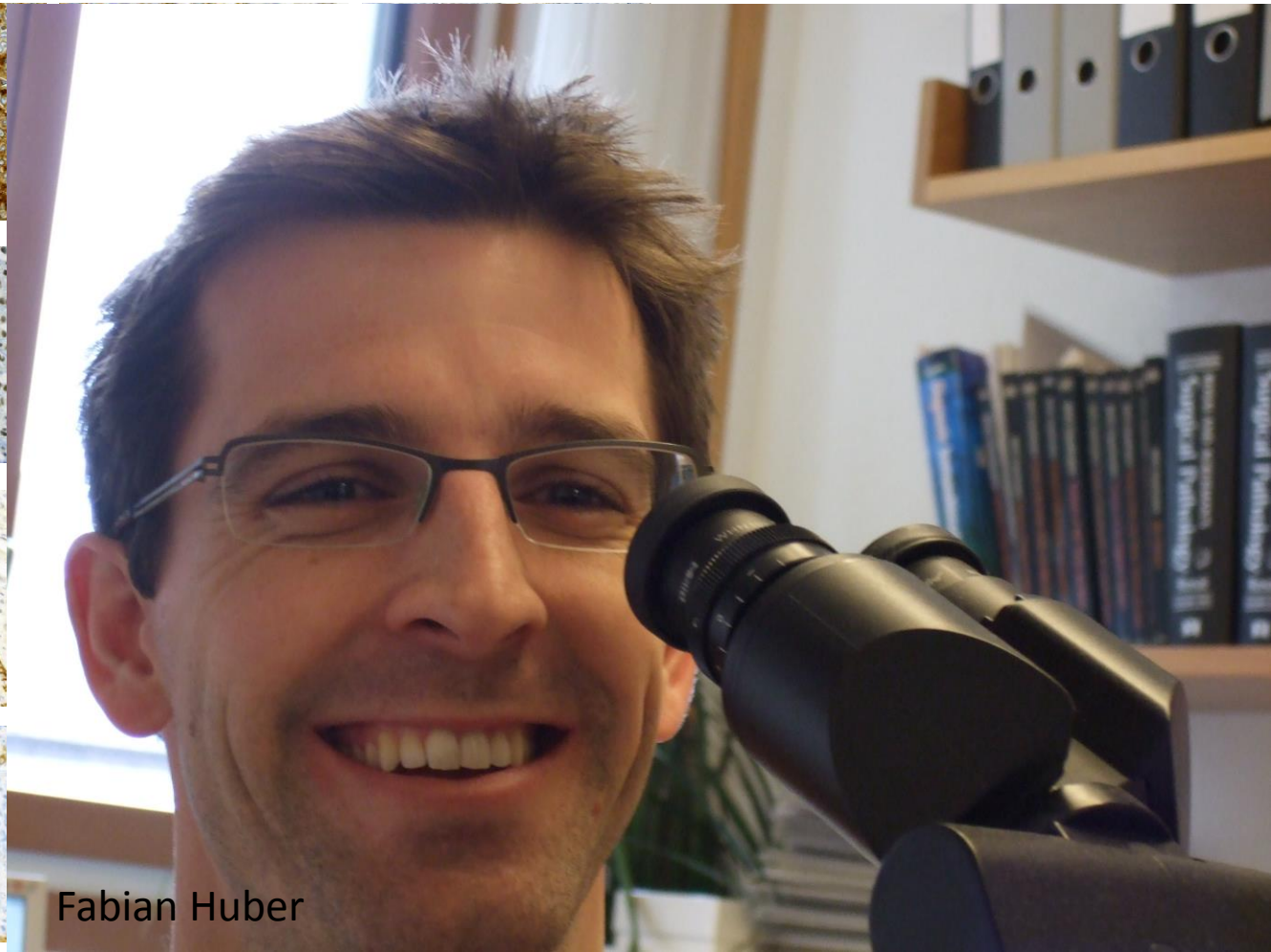












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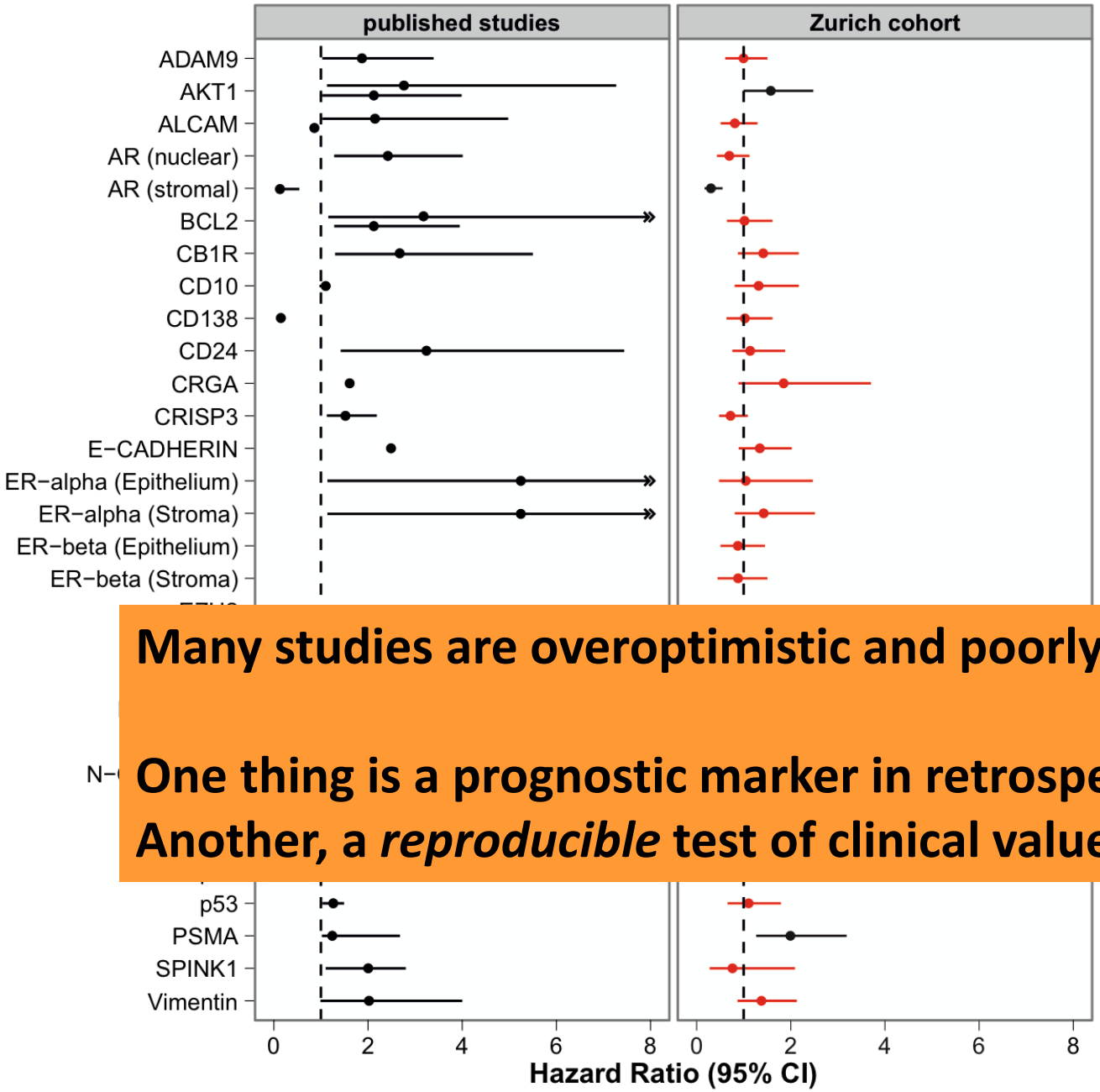

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black – significant (p<0.05%)

Many studies are overoptimistic and poorly verified.

One thing is a prognostic marker in retrospective study, Another, a *reproducible* test of clinical value!

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Ki-67 is a strong prognostic marker in...

- Watchful waiting cohorts
- Radical prostatectomy cohorts
- Radiation therapy cohorts

Why then is it not used in clinical practise?

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Ki-67: How can we standardize the staining?

Pre-analytics:
- time to fixation
- time in fixative, temperature
- fixative (additives?)
- embedding
- storage conditions

Analytics:
- sectioning
- Antibody (clone Mib-1?)
- IHC-protocol: HIER? Detection?

Interlaboratory variability of Ki67-labelling index in breast cancer tissue microarrays

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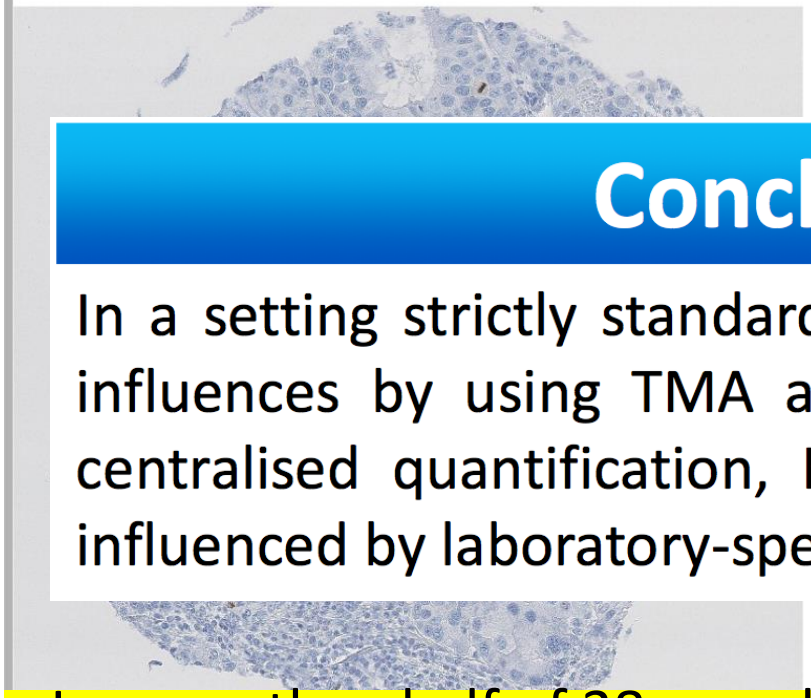
Sample 752

Min: 0% **Max:** 29,08%

Median ± SD: 6,13% ± 8,6

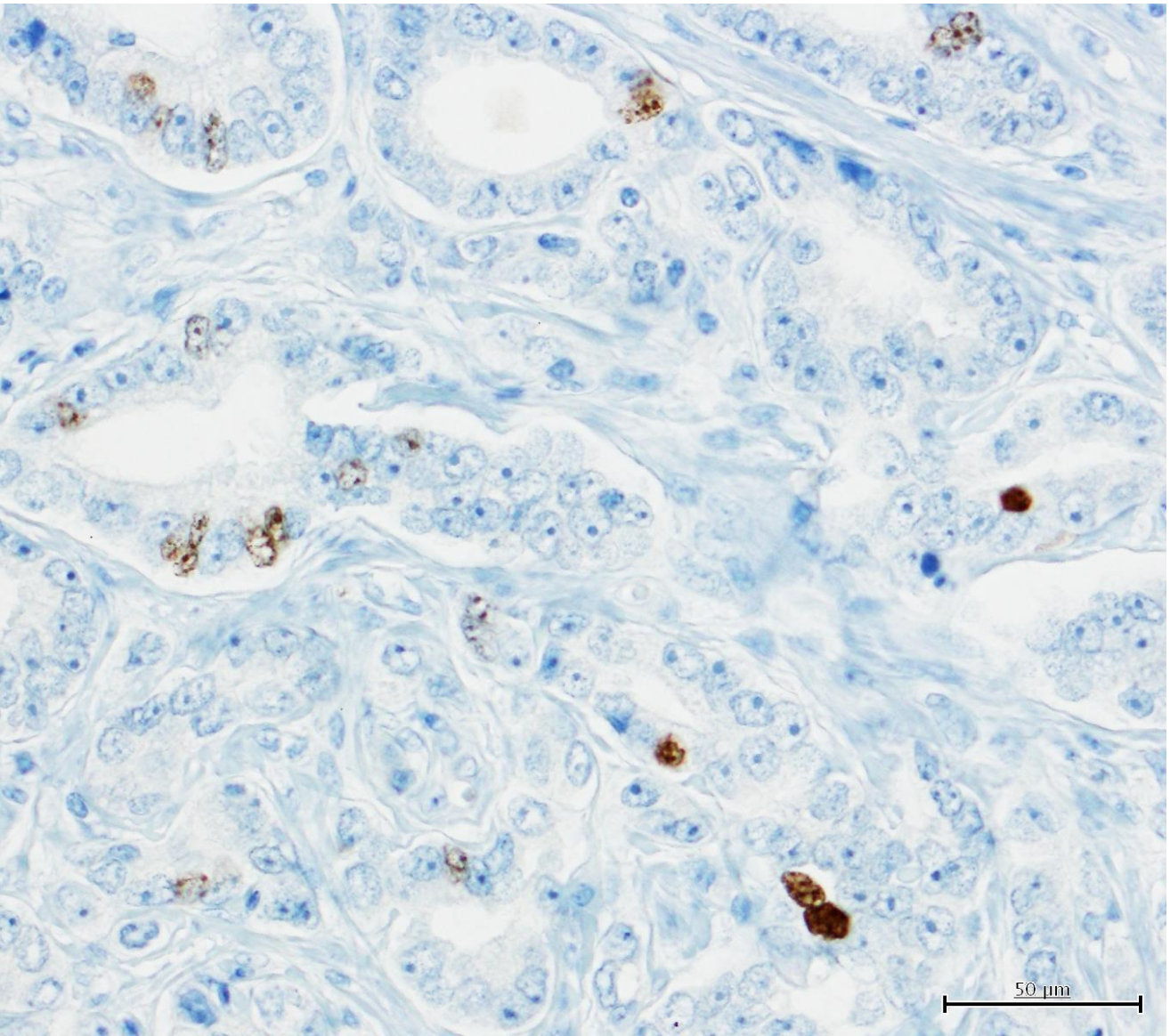


Conclusion

In a setting strictly standardised in terms of preanalytic influences by using TMA and postanalytic variance by centralised quantification, Ki67-LI seems to be heavily influenced by laboratory-specific analytic variables.

„In more than half of 38 samples we did find a Ki-67-LI variation of more than 25%.“

Ki-67: How can we standardize Subjectivity?



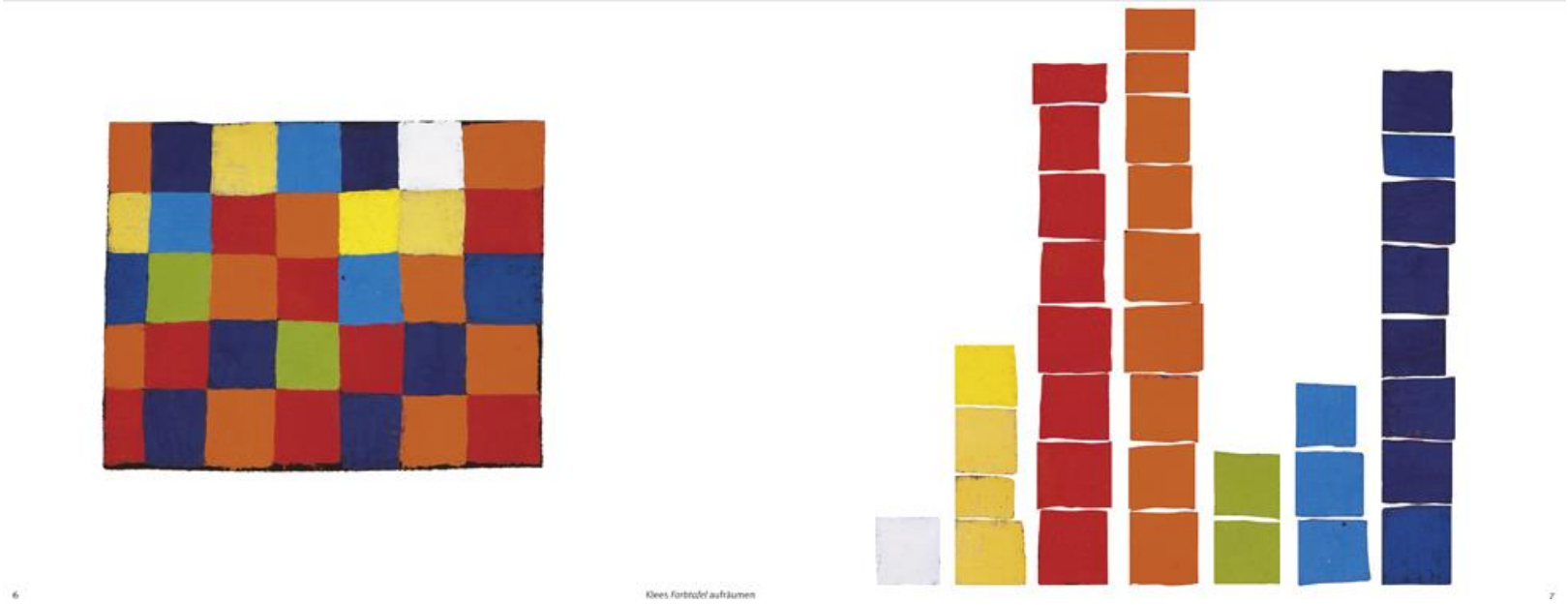
4% ?

8% ??

16% ???

The histopathological diagnosis is not a laboratory test, but individual medical art.

-> How do you standardize Artists??



What can we do to make prognostic IHC more reliable?

- Combine Markers with similar biological function (to increase redundancy!)

- (combining markers with divergent functions may increase variability and thus reduce robustness of a test)

A Tri-Marker Proliferation Index Predicts Biochemical Recurrence after Surgery for Prostate Cancer

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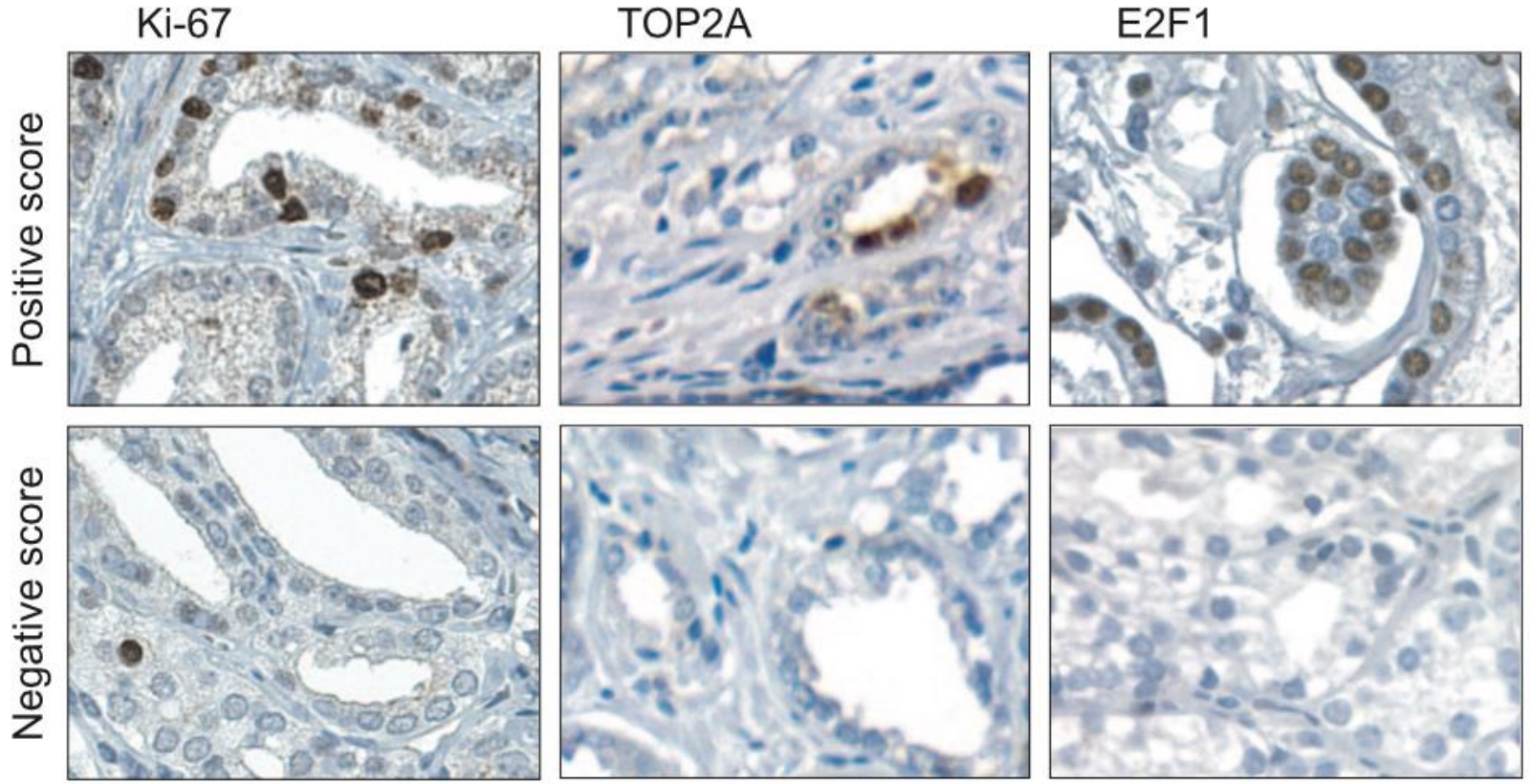

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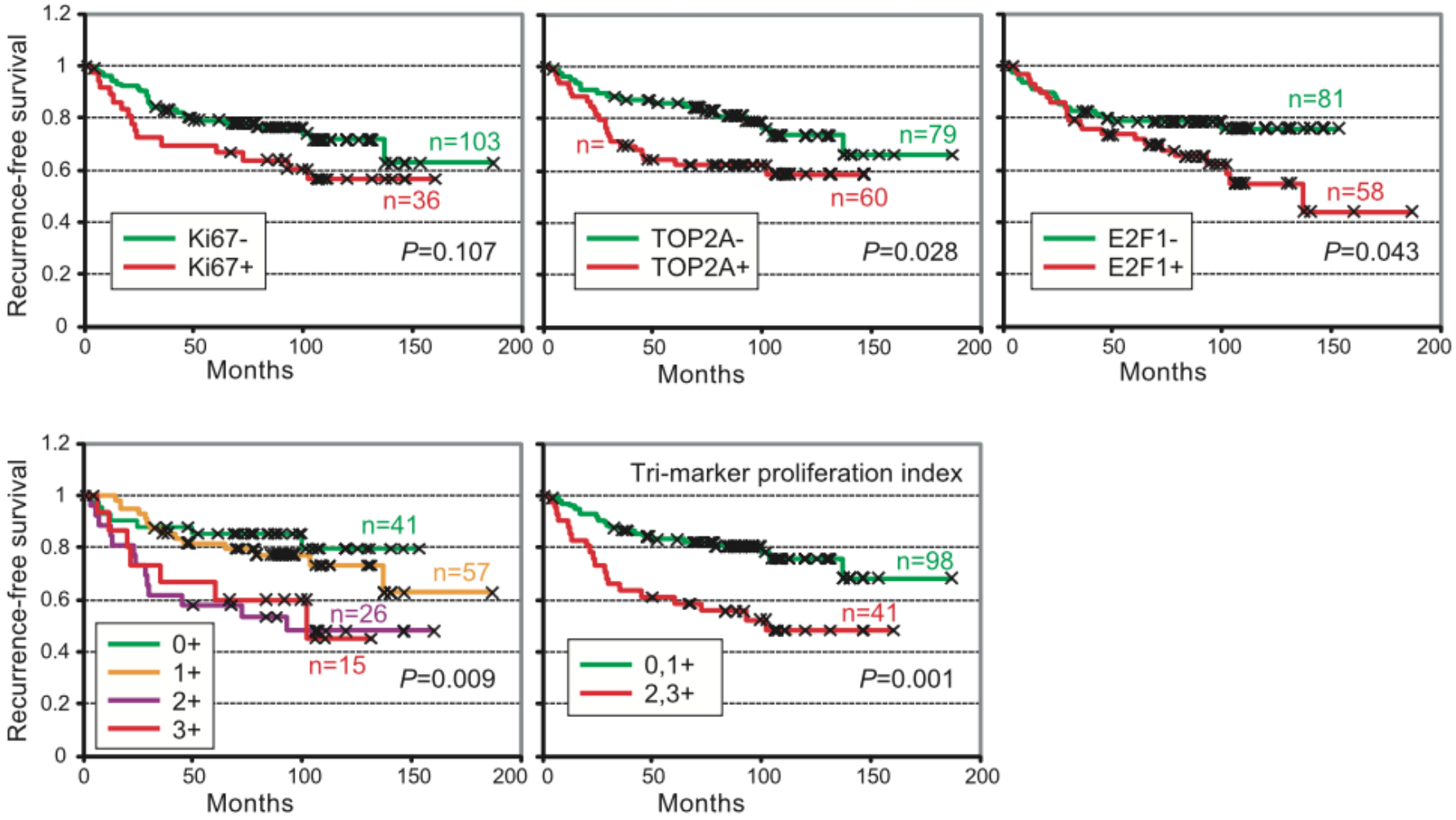

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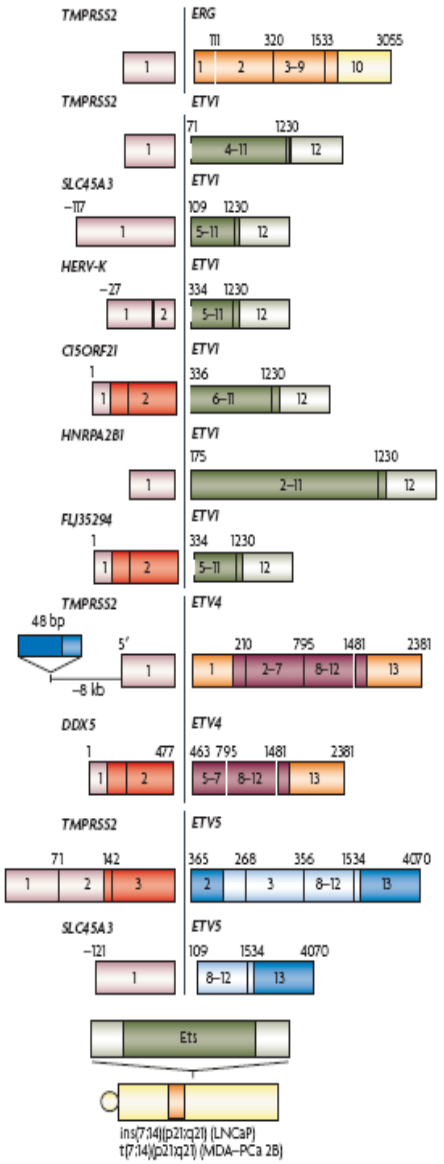
What can we do to make prognostic IHC more reliable?

- Use markers that **do not need cut off values**, e.g. alteration specific markers

ETS-Gene-Fusions

- Recurrent gene fusions of androgen-regulated genes with ETS genes
- TMPRSS2-ERG most common
- >10 different 5‘ partners
- Other 3‘ partners are ETV1,-4,-5, FLi1
- found in 30-80% of Pca
- Mechanistic evidence of importance for tumorigenesis (with AR/PTEN)



Aberrant ERG expression cooperates with loss of PTEN to promote cancer progression in the prostate

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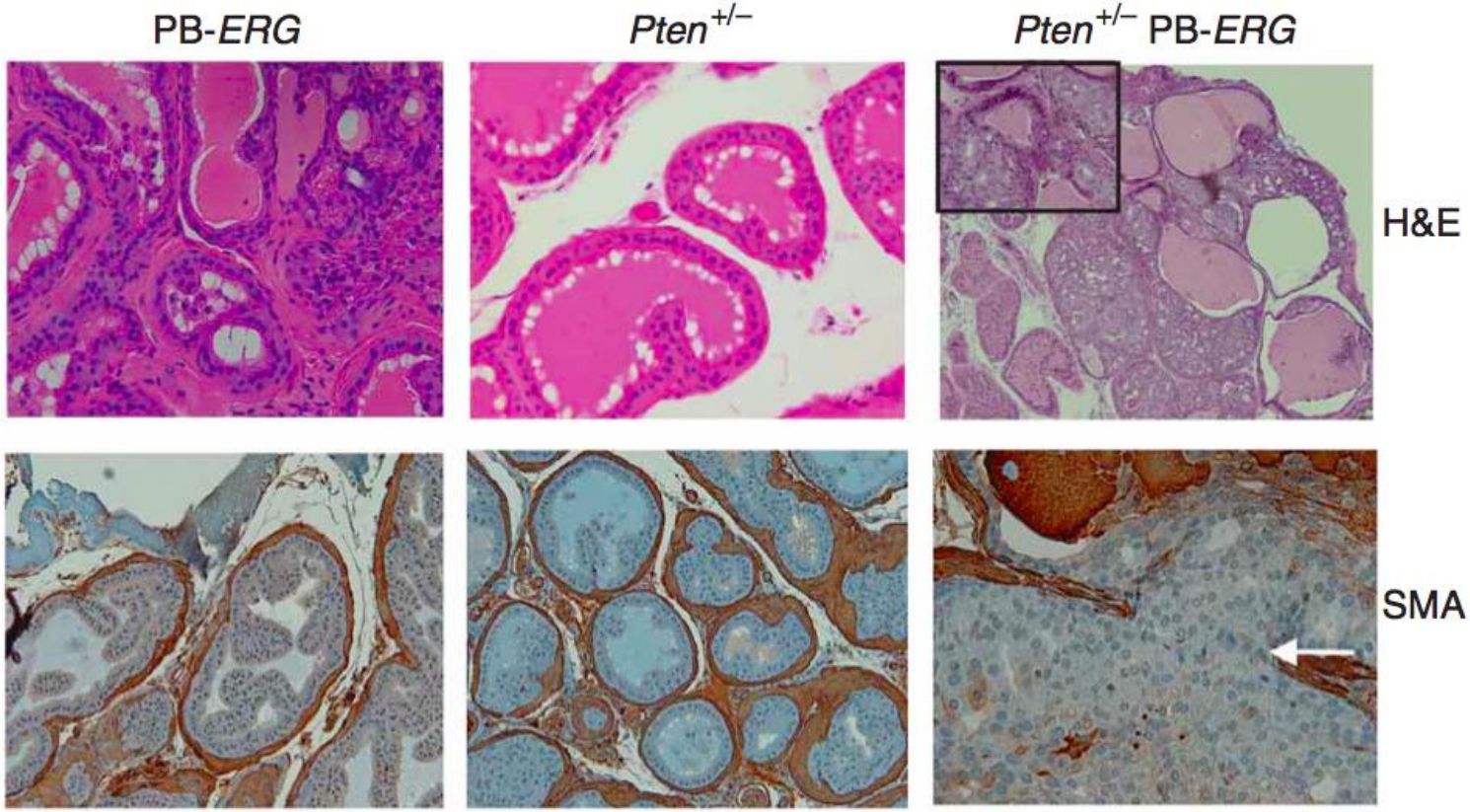

By 6 months of age, Pten+/-; PB-ERG **mice** showed multifocal prostatic adenocarcinoma with complete penetrance.

Overview of T2-ERG Studies:

Prognostic value	Author	Year	Cohort	Size	Endpoint
Neg.	Dimichelis	2007	WW/TURP	111	death
Neg.	Attard	2008	WW/TURP	445	death
Neg.	Nam	2007	RPE	165	BCF
Pos.	Saramäki	2008	RPE	150	BCF
Pos.	Winnes	2007	RPE	50	BCF
None.	Lapointe	2007	RPE	54	BCF
None.	Furusato	2008	RPE	45	BCF
None.	Fitzgerald	2008	RPE	214	death
None.	Egueva	2010	RPE	540	BCF
None.	Minner	2011	RPE	2805	BCF
None.	Pettersson	2012	RPE	1180	Death/BCF
None.	Hoogland	2012	RPE	481	Death/BCF
None.	Krohn	2012	RPE	3751	BCF

- **Prognostic value in untreated patients**
- **No predictive marker for RPE patients**

ERG Protein Expression in Diagnostic Specimens Is Associated with Increased Risk of Progression During Active Surveillance for Prostate Cancer

EUROPEAN UROLOGY 66 (2014) 851–860

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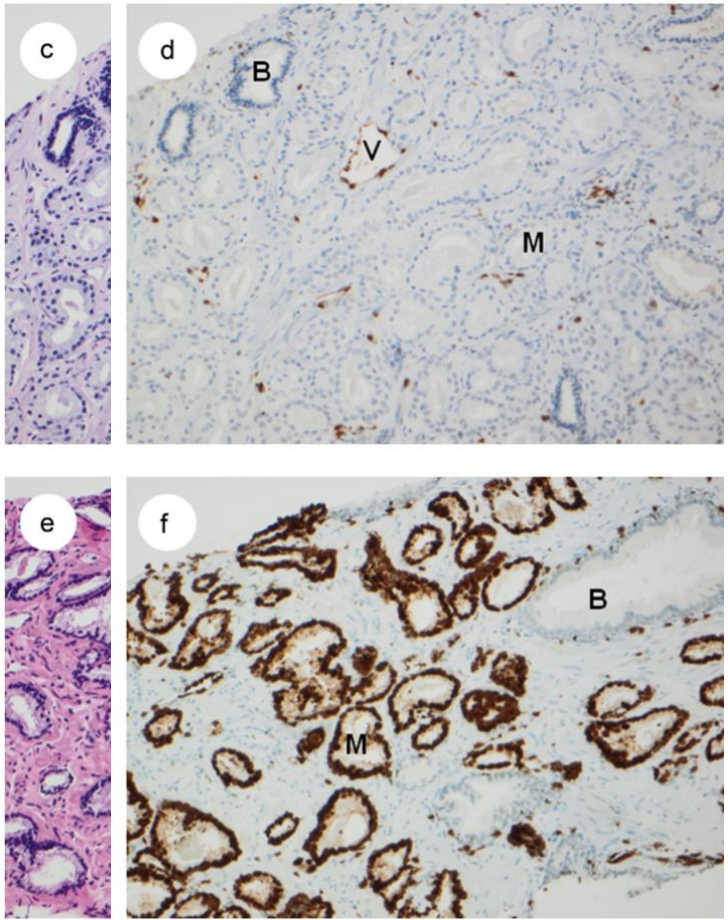
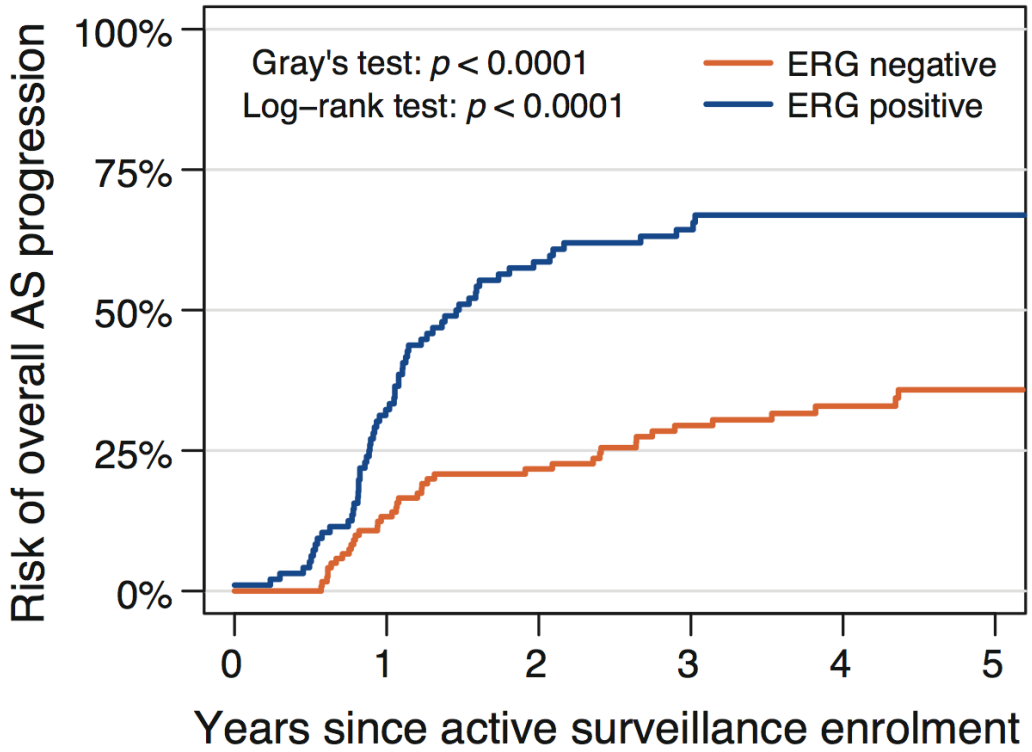


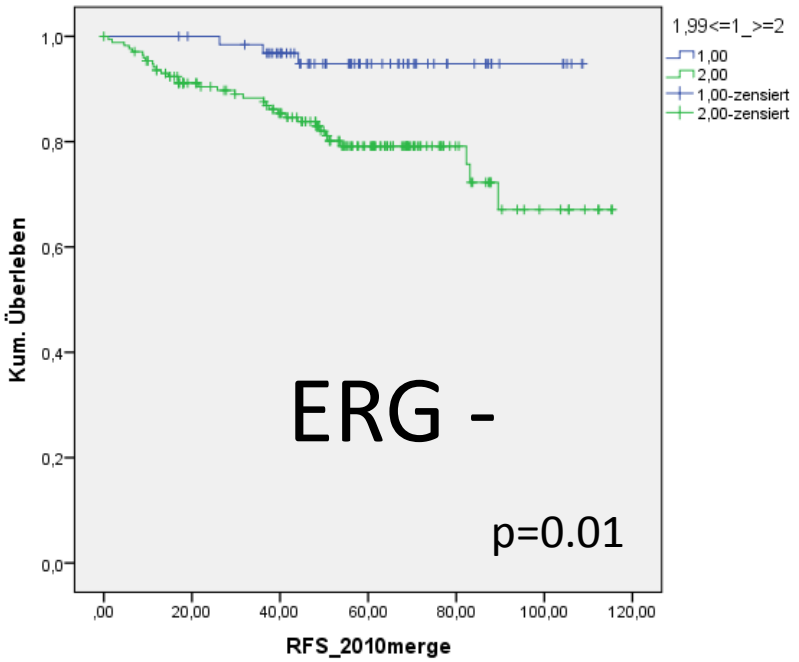


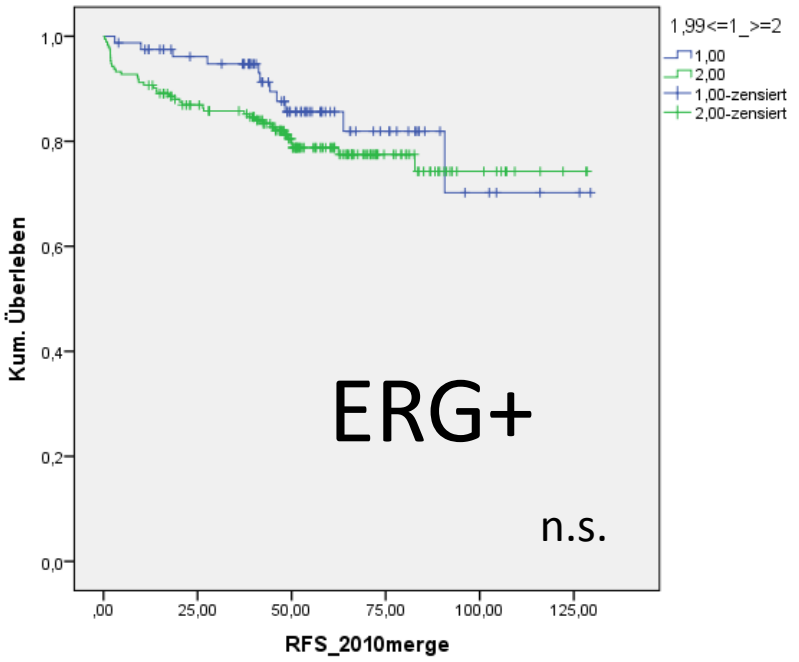
No. at risk	121	103	72	51	27	14
	96	64	35	18	11	6

What can we do to make prognostic IHC more reliable?

- Identify relevant molecular subgroups of Pca

Prognostic value of Ki-67 in PCa:





Ki-67 is only prognostic in ERG- Pca!

Pathology. 2015 Dec;47(7):629-636.

What can we do to make prognostic IHC more reliable?

- Leave IHC behind: e.g. MALDI-proteomics

- MALDI resolution is still worse than IHC, but has advantages: better quantitation, easily multiplexing of multiple markers

MALDI Imaging Identifies Prognostic Seven-Protein Signature of Novel Tissue Markers in Intestinal-Type Gastric Cancer

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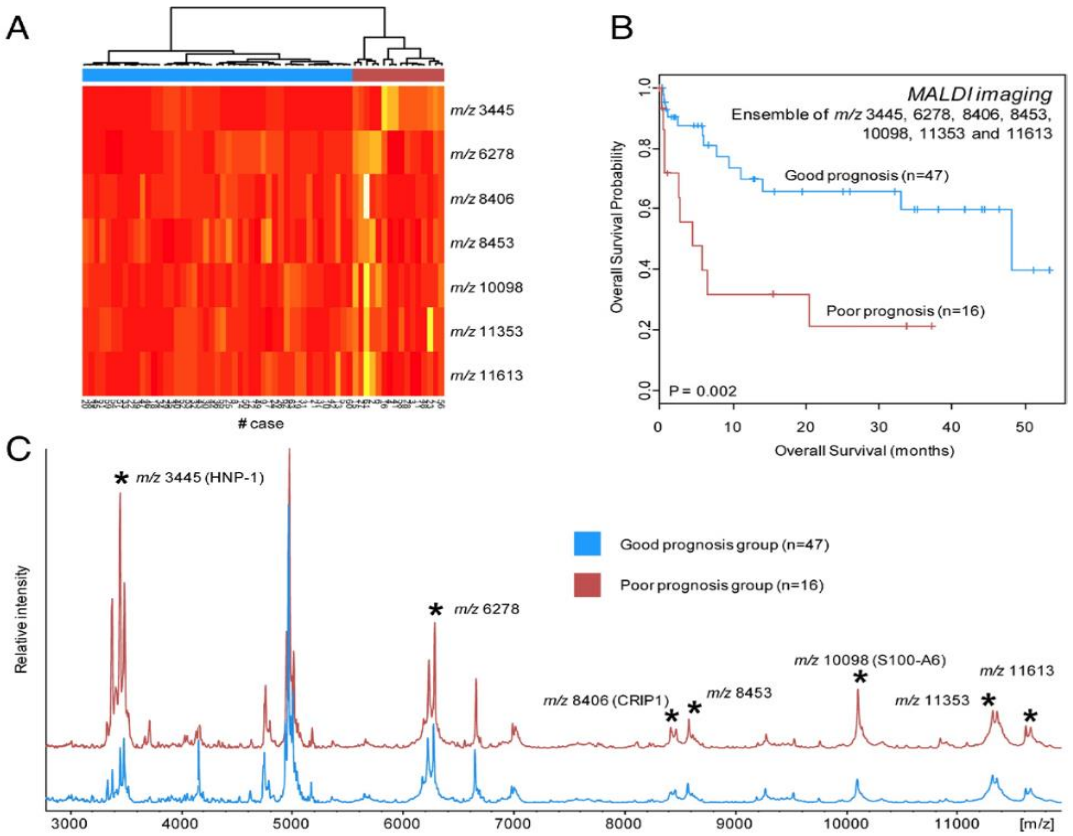


Figure 4. The prognostic power of a combined pattern was investigated by clustering all patients according to the seven protein signals (**A**, **C**). The main two branches of the tree were found to represent a good (blue) and a poor prognosis group (red) (**B**). Moreover, this pattern predicts patient outcome independently of major clinicopathological parameters (Table 2).

Topics:

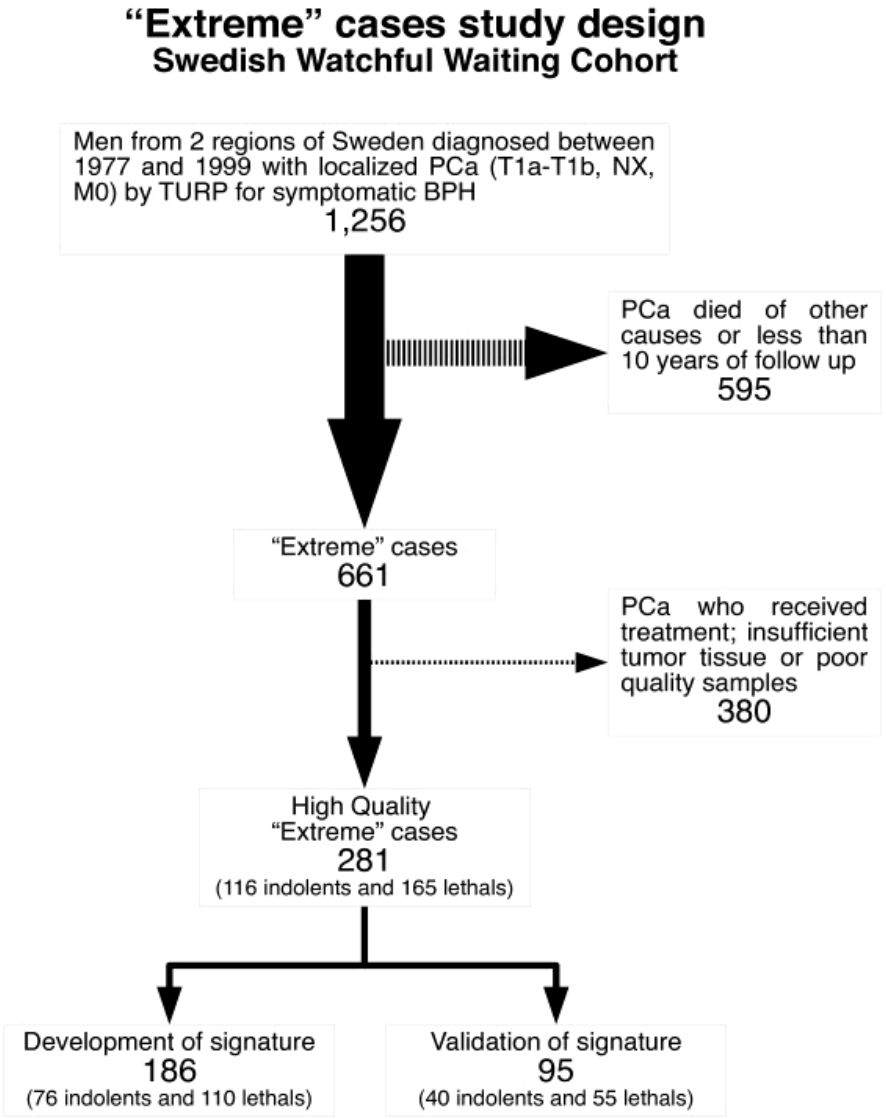
1. Diagnostic IHC
2. Prognostic IHC
3. **Prognostic molecular signatures**
4. Targeted therapy and predictive pathology in prostate cancer

Superior Prognostication by mRNA Signatures?

Aim:
Identification of Signatures for *lethal* and *indolent* PCA

Method:
RNA Profiling
6100 selected genes

Training/Test set design



Sboner *et al. BMC Medical Genomics* 2010 **3**:8 doi:10.1186/1755-8794-3-8

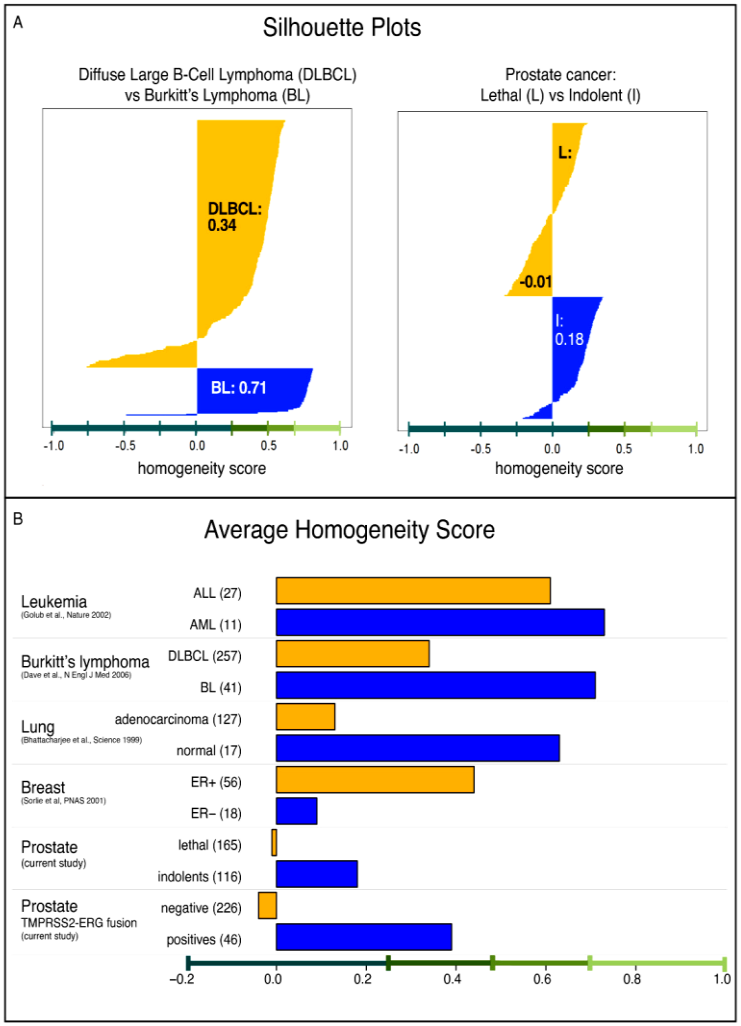
Superior Prognostication by mRNA Signatures?

Results:

1) No molecular signature outperformed clinical parameters.

2) Gleason score strongest clinical parameter.

3) Tumoral heterogeneity appears as a major bias.



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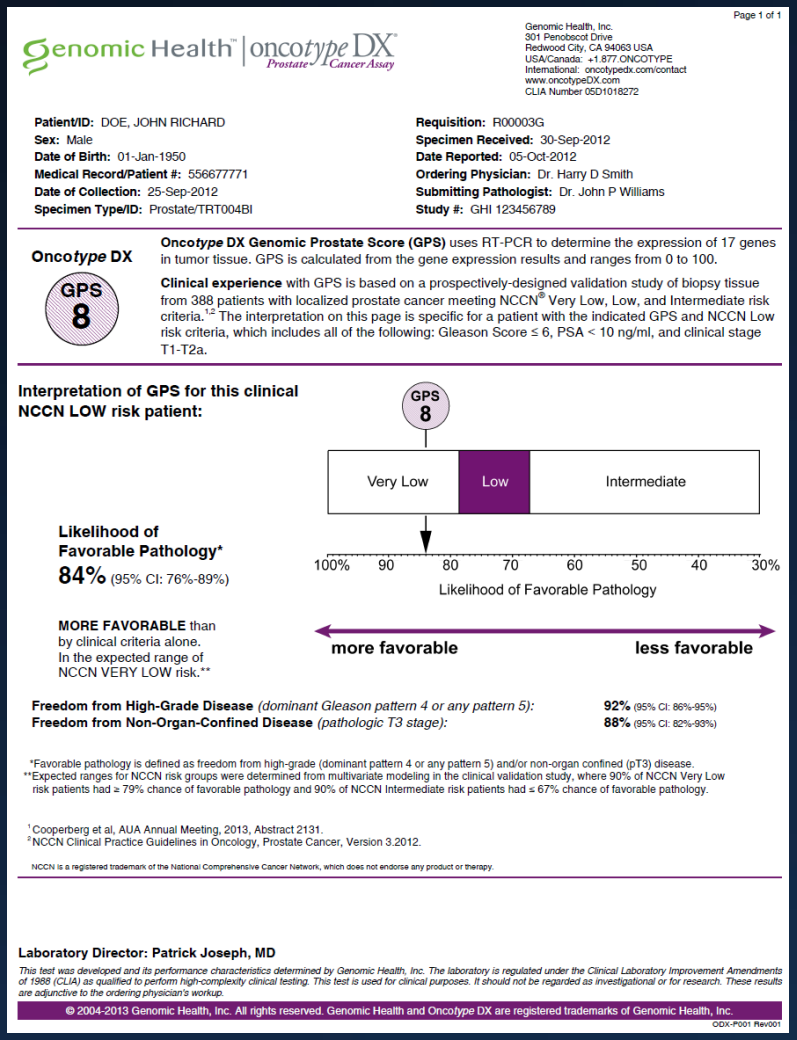
The Oncotype DX® Prostate Cancer Assay



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Genomic Health | oncotype DX Prostate Cancer Assay

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CLIA Number 05D1018272

Patient/ID: DOE, JOHN RICHARD
Sex: Male
Date of Birth: 01-Jan-1950
Medical Record/Patient #: 556677771
Date of Collection: 25-Sep-2012
Specimen Type/ID: Prostate/TRT004BI

Requisition: R00003G
Specimen Received: 30-Sep-2012
Date Reported: 05-Oct-2012
Ordering Physician: Dr. Harry D Smith
Submitting Pathologist: Dr. John P Williams
Study #: GHI 123456789

Oncotype DX
GPS 8

Oncotype DX Genomic Prostate Score (GPS) uses RT-PCR to determine the expression of 17 genes in tumor tissue. GPS is calculated from the gene expression results and ranges from 0 to 100.

Clinical experience with GPS is based on a prospectively-designed validation study of biopsy tissue from 388 patients with localized prostate cancer meeting NCCN® Very Low, Low, and Intermediate risk criteria.[1,2] The interpretation on this page is specific for a patient with the indicated GPS and NCCN Low risk criteria, which includes all of the following: Gleason Score ≤ 6, PSA < 10 ng/ml, and clinical stage T1-T2a.

Interpretation of GPS for this clinical NCCN LOW risk patient:

GPS 8

Very Low | Low | Intermediate

100% 90 80 70 60 50 40 30%

Likelihood of Favorable Pathology

Likelihood of Favorable Pathology*
84% (95% CI: 76%-89%)

MORE FAVORABLE than by clinical criteria alone. In the expected range of NCCN VERY LOW risk.**

more favorable ← → less favorable

Freedom from High-Grade Disease *(dominant Gleason pattern 4 or any pattern 5):* **92%** (95% CI: 86%-95%)
Freedom from Non-Organ-Confined Disease *(pathologic T3 stage):* **88%** (95% CI: 82%-93%)

*Favorable pathology is defined as freedom from high-grade (dominant pattern 4 or any pattern 5) and/or non-organ confined (pT3) disease.
**Expected ranges for NCCN risk groups were determined from multivariate modeling in the clinical validation study, where 90% of NCCN Very Low risk patients had ≥ 79% chance of favorable pathology and 90% of NCCN Intermediate risk patients had ≥ 67% chance of favorable pathology.

[1] Cooperberg et al, AUA Annual Meeting, 2013, Abstract 2131.
[2] NCCN Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology, Prostate Cancer, Version 3.2012.

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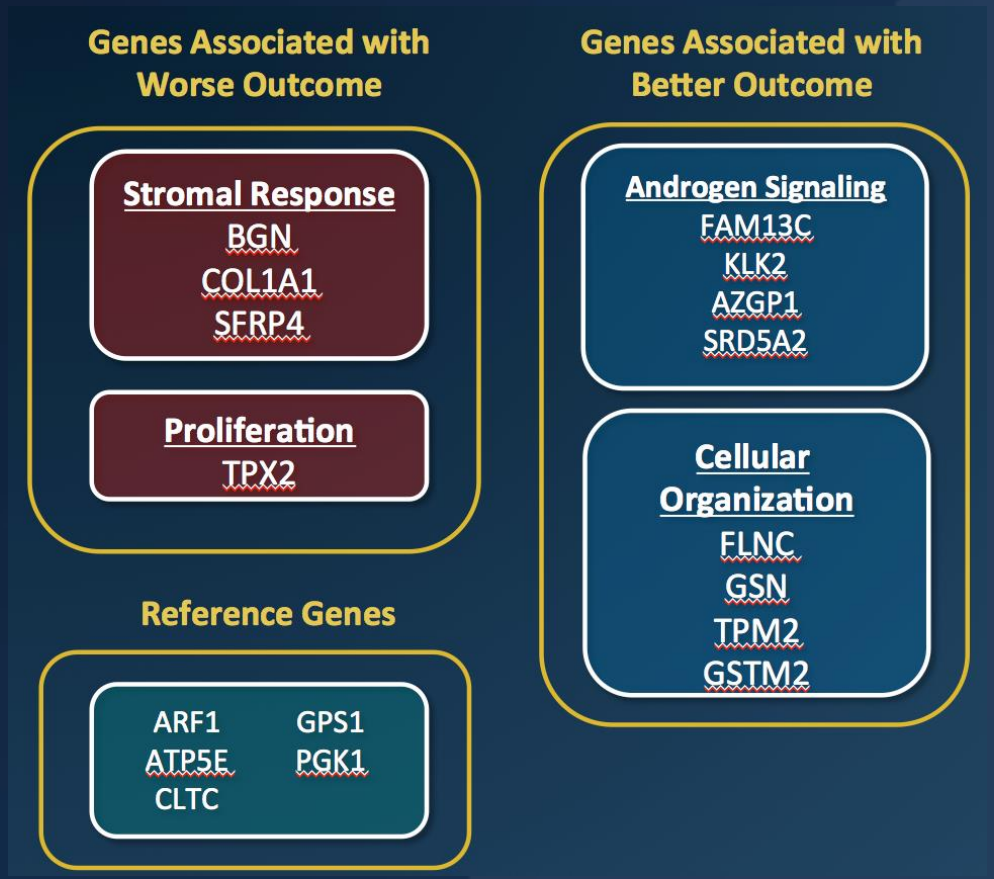
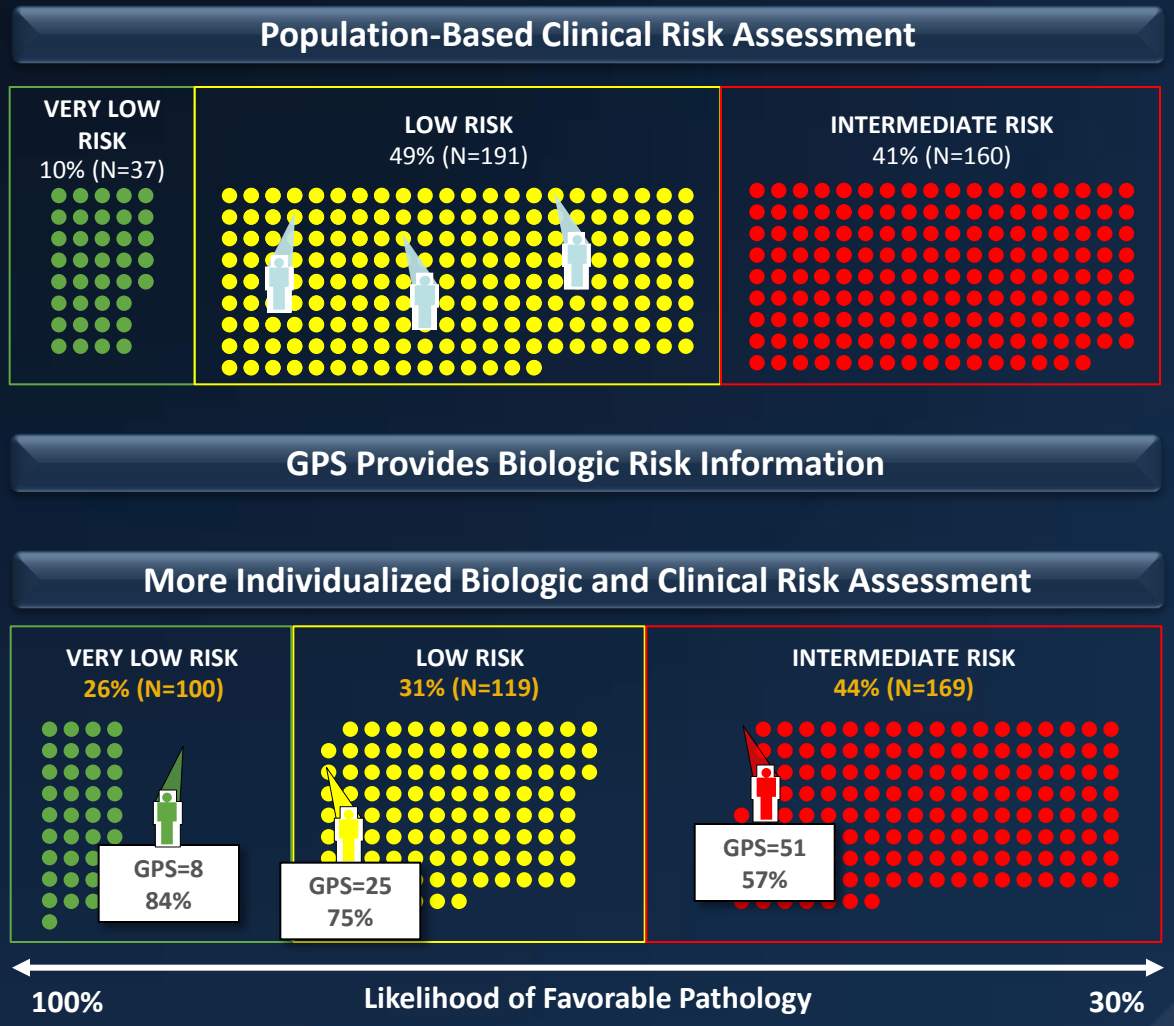


Combining Biologic & Clinical Information Refines Risk Stratification for Individual Patients



UCSF Validation Study

NCCN Risk Classification

- [illegible]
- 10% very Low-risk
- [illegible]
- [illegible]
- [illegible] pathology consistent with Low and intermediate risk disease

Cooperberg et al, AUA 2013

Prognostic value of an RNA expression signature derived from cell cycle proliferation genes in patients with prostate cancer: a retrospective study

Lancet Oncol 2011; 12: 245–55

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- mRNA Signature of 31 Cell Cycle Progression (CCP) genes, 21 housekeepers
- low density array profiling

„The final signature consisted of 31 CCP genes (FOXM1, CDC20, CDKN3, CDC2, KIF11, KIAA0101, NUSAP1, CENPF, ASPM, BUB1B, RRM2, DLGAP5, BIRC5, KIF20A, PLK1, TOP2A, TK1, PBK, ASF1B, C18orf24, RAD54L, PTTG1, CDCA3, MCM10, PRC1, DTL, CEP55, RAD51, CENPM, CDCA8, and ORC6L).

These highly correlated genes were used to provide a robust and highly reproducible measurement of cell proliferation and were not intended to capture information related to other factors (eg, invasive potential).“

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RPE

	Final model			
	N	Hazard ratio (95% CI)	χ^2 (1 df)	p value
CCP score*	353	1·74 (1·39–2·17)	21·65	$3·3\times10^{-6}$
log(1+baseline PSA)	353	2·24 (1·71–2·93)	33·47	$7·2\times10^{-9}$
Gleason score (radical prost				
<7	230	1·00	..	..
7	108	1·35 (0·92–2·00)	7·57†	$5·9\times10^{-3}$
>7	15	2·69 (1·43–5·08)	..	..
Pathological T stage	353	1·32 (1·12–1·56)	10·30	$1·3\times10^{-3}$
Pathological grade	..	..	..	..
Positive surgical margins	353	1·89 (1·23–2·91)	8·61	$3·3\times10^{-3}$

TURP

	Final model			
	N	Hazard ratio (95% CI)	χ^2 (1 df)	p value
CCP score*	337	2·57 (1·93 to 3·43)	42·2	$8·2\times10^{-11}$
Gleason score				
<7	172	1·00	..	..
7	73	2·45 (1·09 to 5·48)	5·4†	0·02
>7	92	2·72 (1·22 to 6·08)	..	..
log(1+PSA) (ng/mL)	337	1·84 (1·46 to 2·32)	29·3	$6·2\times10^{-8}$
log(1+[10×Ki67]) (%)	..	..	..	..
Cancer extent (%)‡	..	..	..	..

df=degrees of freedom. CCP 5·4, and 7·1 in the univariate analysis, multivariate analysis, and final model, respectivel were 9·4, 5·4, and 7·2, respectively). ‡Hazard ratio for 10% increase in cancer extent.

Table 2: **Summary of stat**

Prognostic Value of the Cell Cycle Progression Score in Patients with Prostate Cancer: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis

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Eur Urol (2015), http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.eururo.2014.11.038

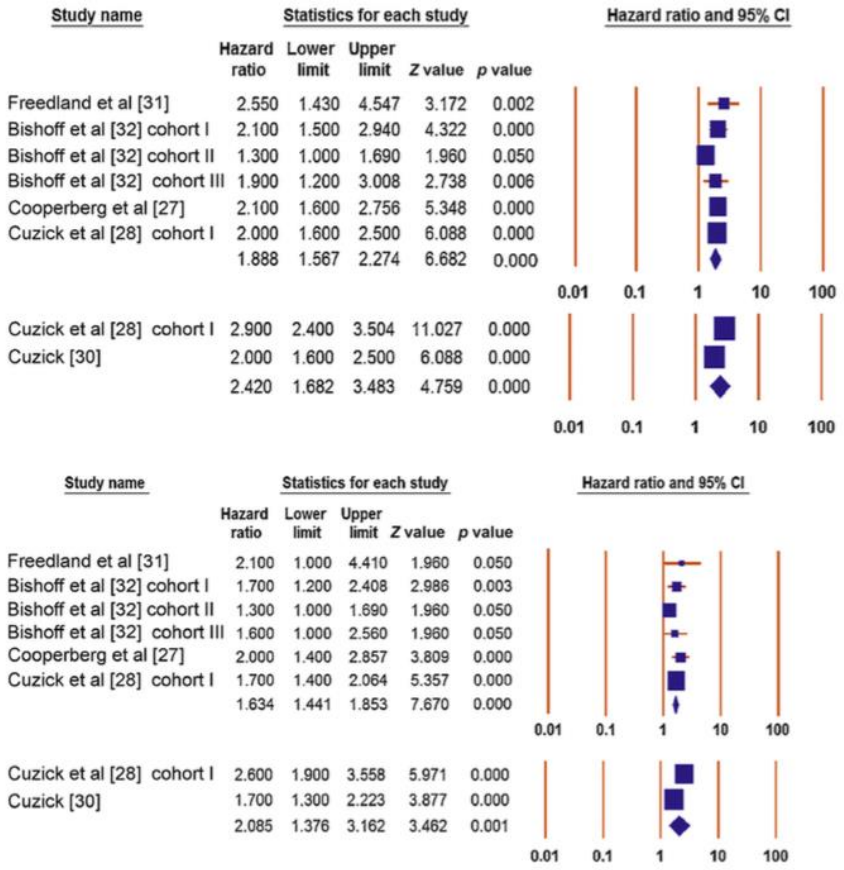

Fig. 2 – Meta-analysis of univariate and ivariate models by endpoint biochemical recurrence (BCR) [27,28,30,31] and disease-specific mortality (DSM) [28,33]): random-effects model. CI = confidence interval.

The pooled hazard ratio for biochemical recurrence per 1-unit increase in the CCP score was 1.88 in a univariate model and 1.63 in a multivariate model.

Four studies showed that CCP testing can impact the decisions of physicians regarding treatment, and potentially lead to a decrease in surgical interventions for low-risk patients.

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Discovery and Validation of a Prostate Cancer Genomic Classifier that Predicts Early Metastasis Following Radical Prostatectomy

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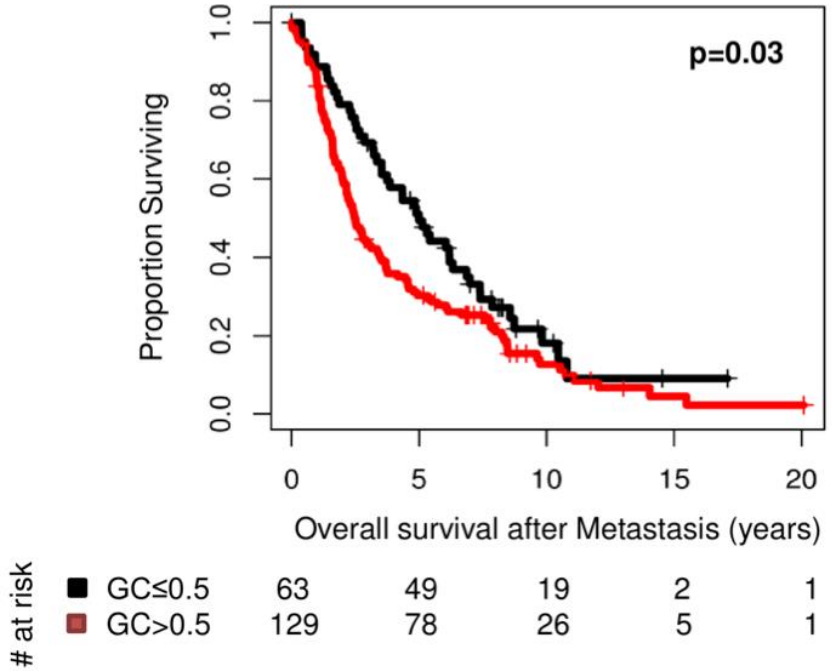
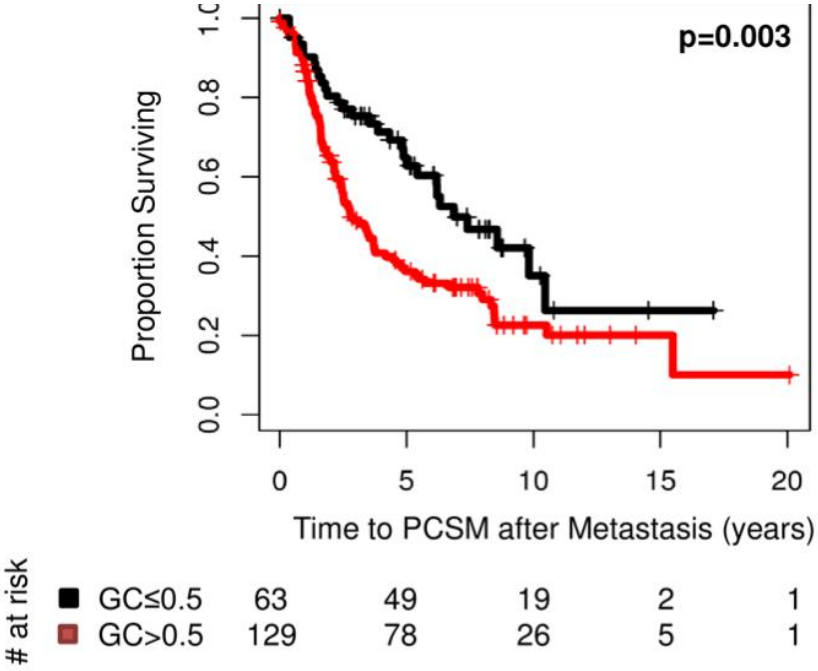
RPE Cohort, n=545, training/test set, GeneChips (Affymetrix), 22 markers





Molecular Prognostic Tests

	Prolaris	Oncotype DX prostate cancer Assay	Decipher	....
Provider	Myriad Genetics	Genomic Health	Genomic Dx	
Type of Assay	Proliferation Signature, 31 CCP genes	17 genes covering proliferation, desmoplasia, androgen signalling, controls	22 genes including ncRNA	
Technique	LDA-qPCR	qPCR	qPCR	
Central Lab	yes/(no)	yes	yes	
Indication	Post RPE, WW, RTx, Bx/RPE	Bx, low risk patients	Post RPE	
Prospectively validated in AS cohort	no	no	no	

...but how do we deal with differences?

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Comparison of EndoPredict and Oncotype DX Test Results in Hormone Receptor Positive Invasive Breast Cancer

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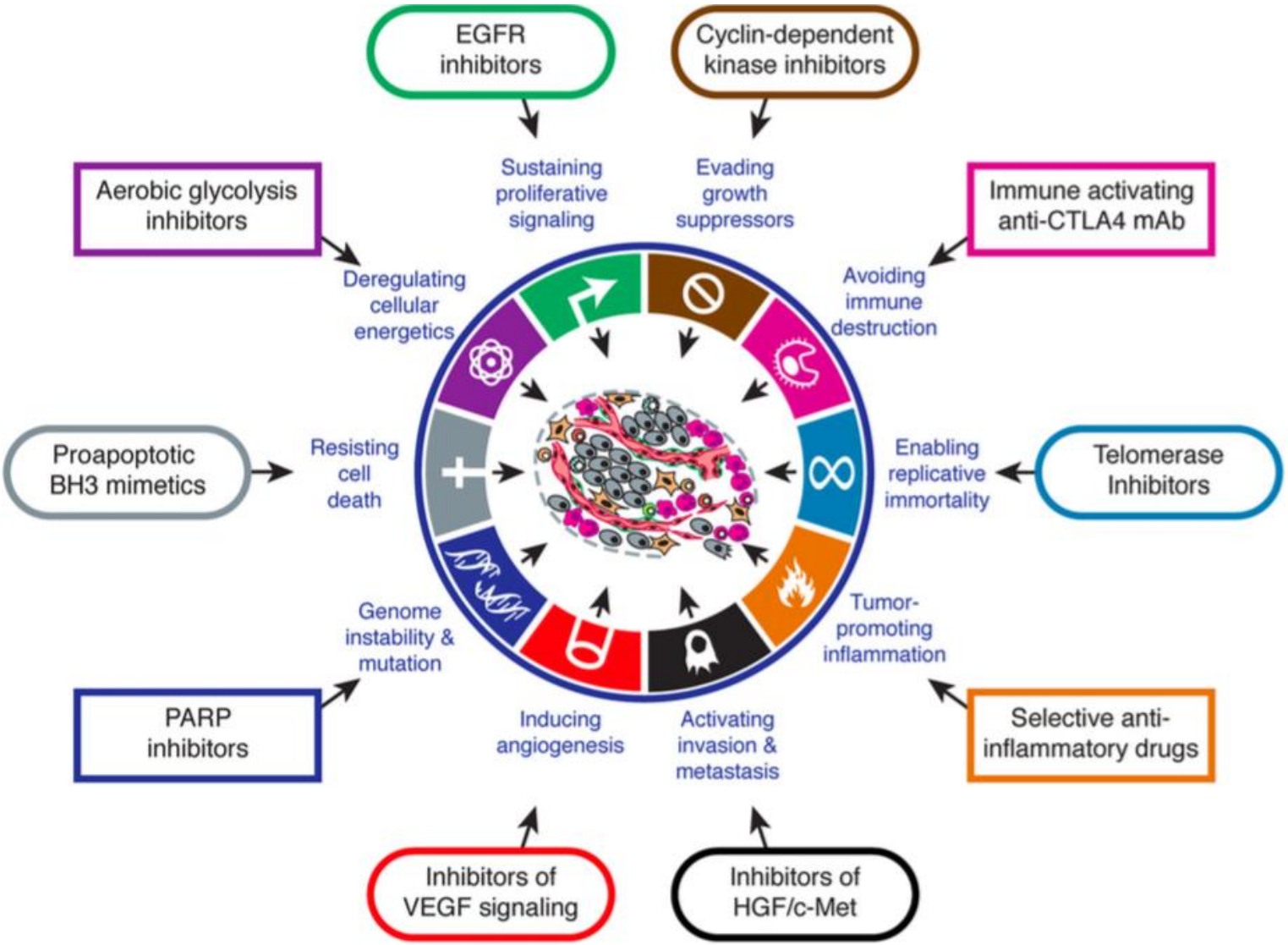
Table 3. Comparison of EP score and Recurrence score (RS). RS in two tiered system: low vs. intermediate+high risk.

n = 34		Recurrence score (RS) (two tiered)	
		Low risk	**High+Intermediate risk**
EP score	Low risk	9 (26%)	2 (6%)
	High risk	6 (18%)	17 (50%)

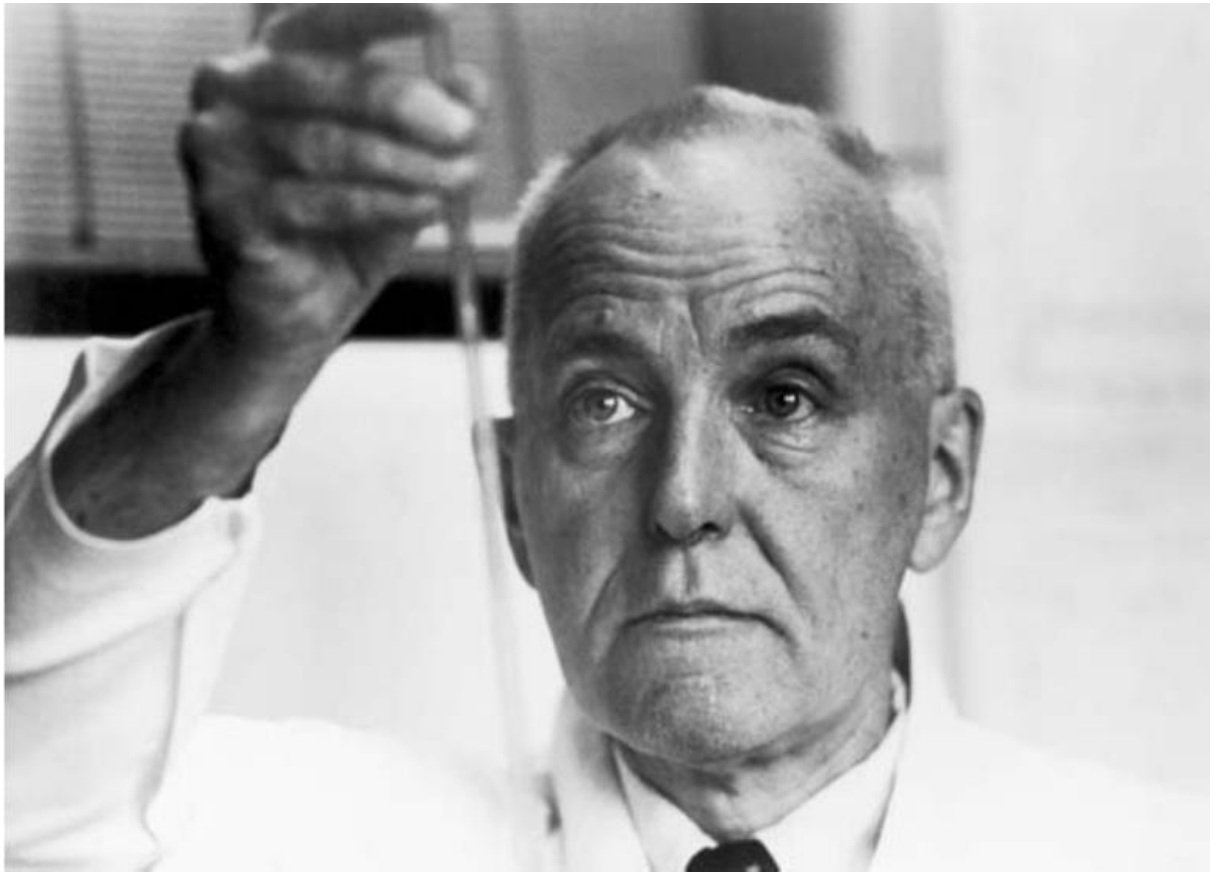
Topics:

1. Diagnostic IHC
2. Prognostic IHC
3. Prognostic molecular signatures
4. **Molecular pathology, targeted therapy and predictive pathology in prostate cancer**

2011 Hallmarks of Cancer: new Targets



Charles Hugins: Father of of ADT



C. Huggins, R.E. Stevens Jr., C.V. Hodges.
Studies on prostate cancer. I. The effect of castration, of oestrogen and of androgen injection on serum phosphatases in metastatic carcinoma of the prostate. *Arch Surg. 1941;43:209*

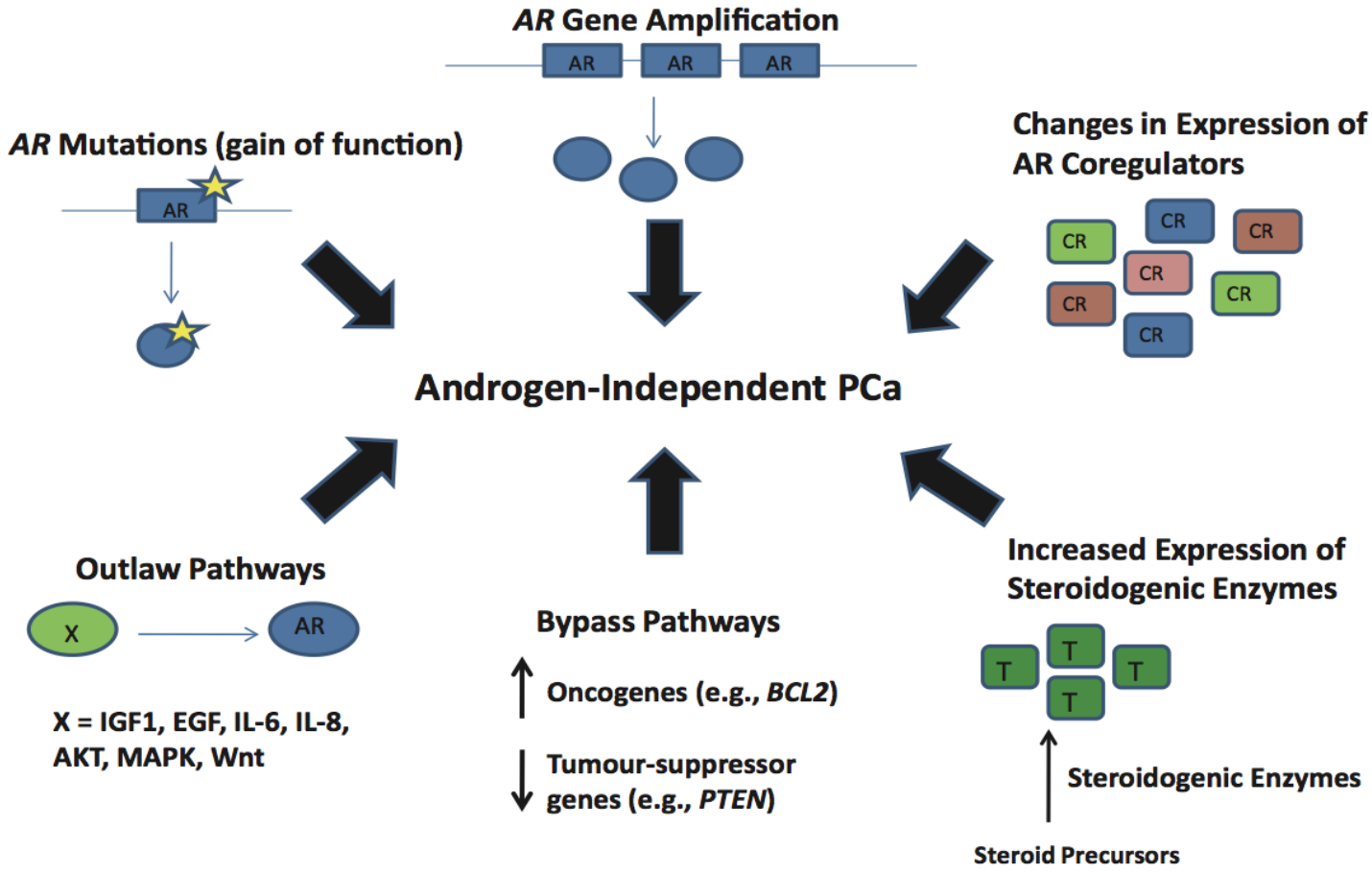


Fig. 3. Mechanisms of androgen independence in prostate cancers.

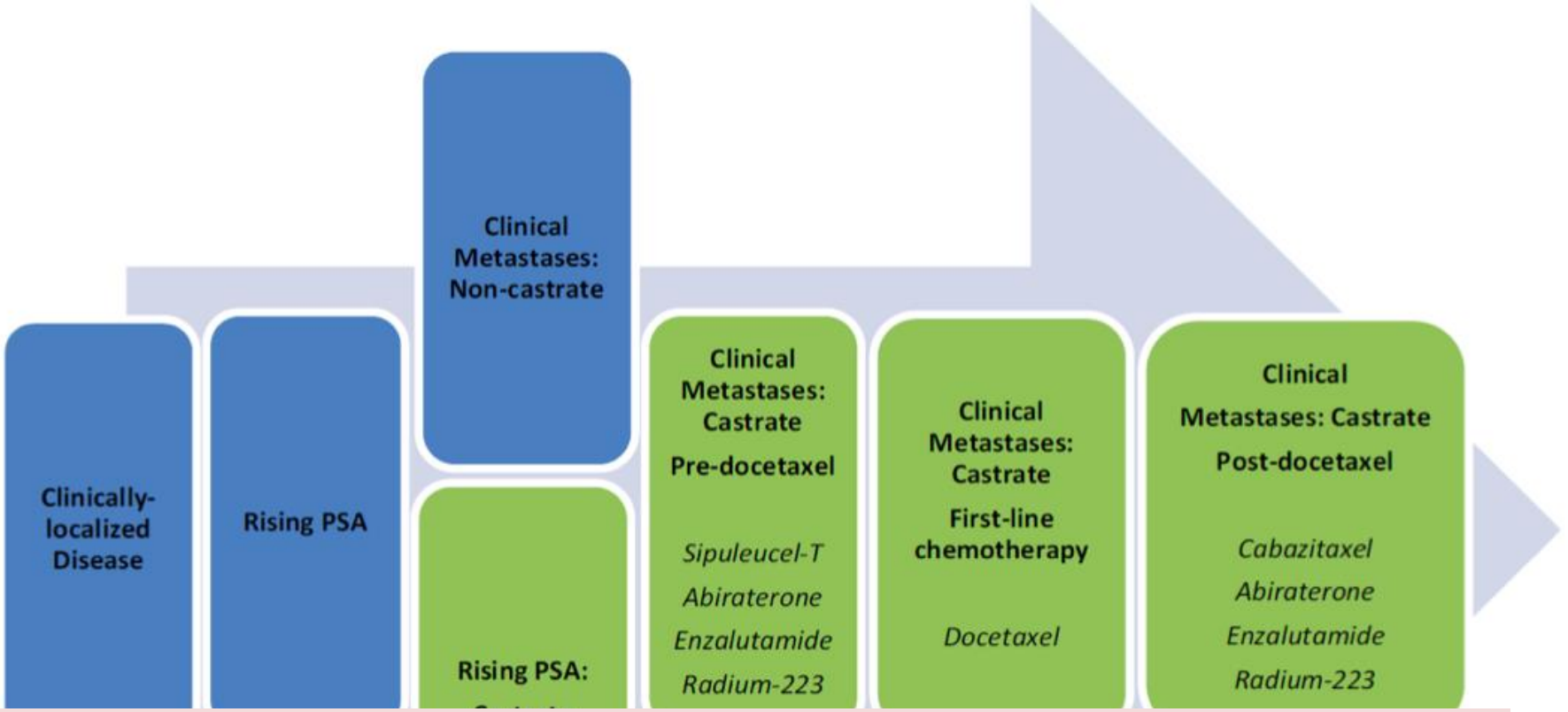
AIPC can arise through many cellular changes. The AR-signaling pathway is by far the most commonly studied pathway in the context of AIPC. This pathway has been shown to be aberrantly regulated at various levels, including gene amplifications, mutations, and changes in AR coregulators or steroidogenic enzymes. The AR protein has also been shown to be activated in a ligand-independent manner via outlaw pathways by a number of different proteins. Various AR-independent bypass mechanisms/pathways have also been implicated in the development of AIPC. PCa, prostate cancer; CR, coregulator; T, testosterone; *BCL2*, B-cell CLL/lymphoma 2; *PTEN*, phosphatase and tensin homolog.

Saraon et al., Clin Chem. 2011 Oct;57(10):1366-75.

New compounds and mode of action

- **Arbiraterone** – CYP17 inhibitor (inhibiting AR signalling)
- **Enzalutamide** – anti-androgen (inhibiting AR signalling)
- **Sipuleucel-T** – Immunotherapy (fortified dendritic cells)
- **Ipilimumab** – targeting CTLA-4
- **Radium-223** – Radionulide to target bone mets
- **Carbazitaxel** – Conventional chemoTx

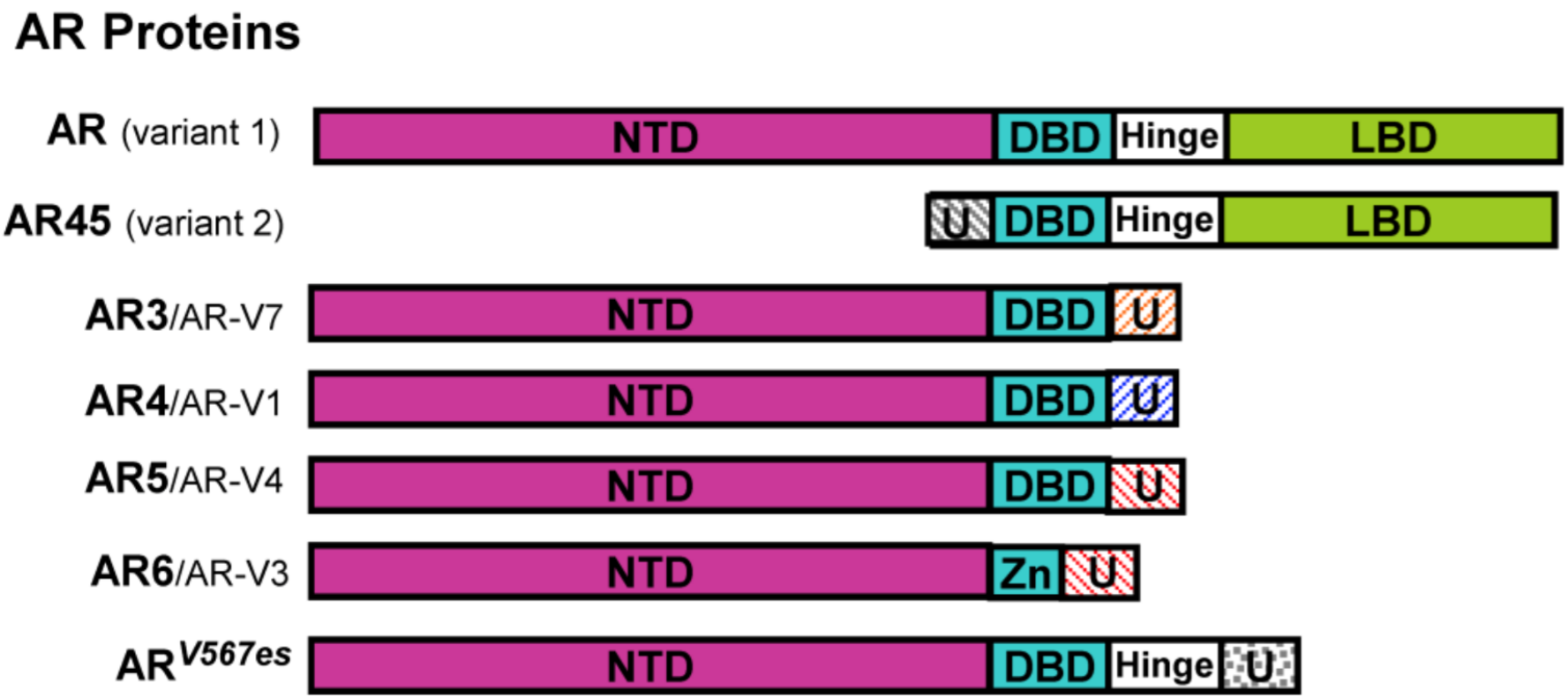
Treatment strategies for CRPC



1) New *predictive markers* for response to new drugs are needed

2) Re-biopsies at progressed disease stages may become important

Androgen Receptor Variants:



AR-V7 and Resistance to Enzalutamide and Abiraterone in Prostate Cancer

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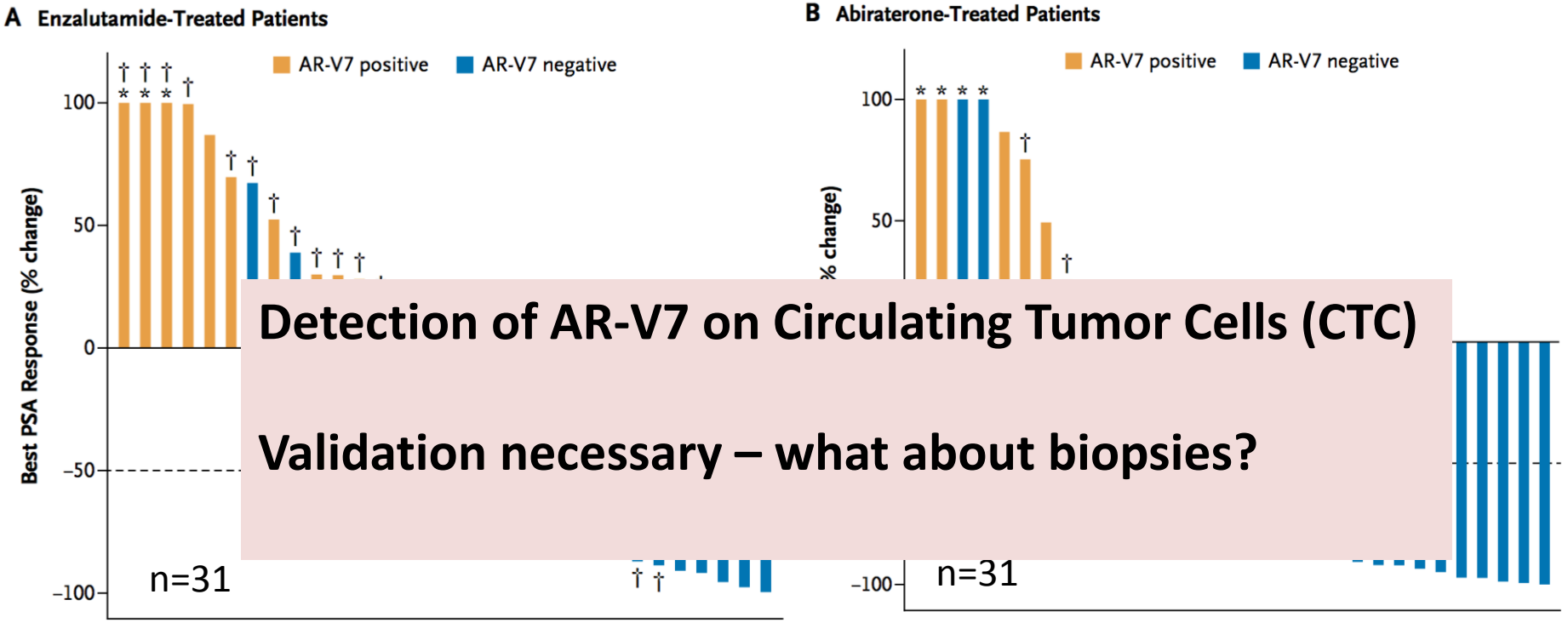

Detection of AR-V7 on Circulating Tumor Cells (CTC)

Validation necessary – what about biopsies?

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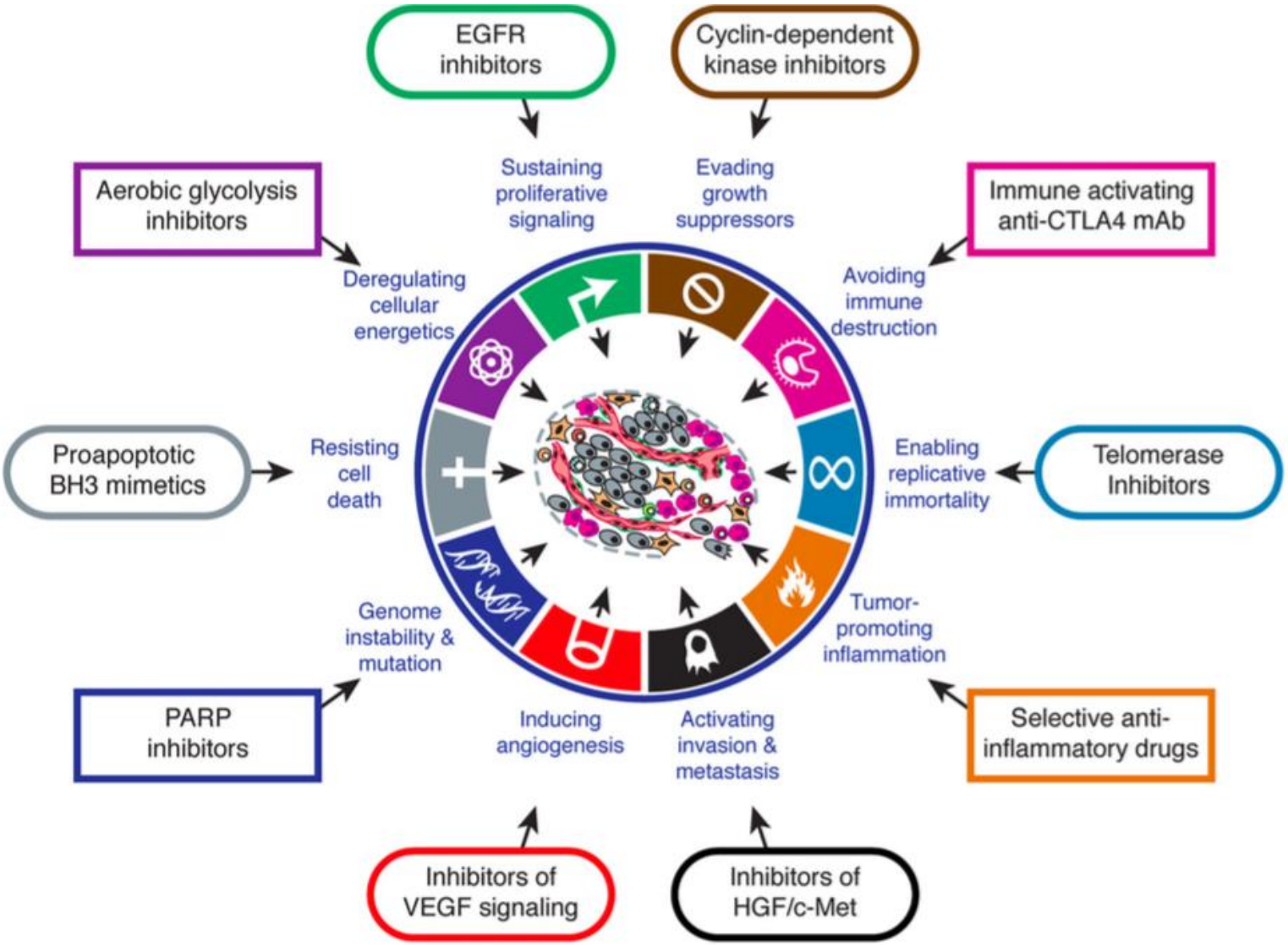

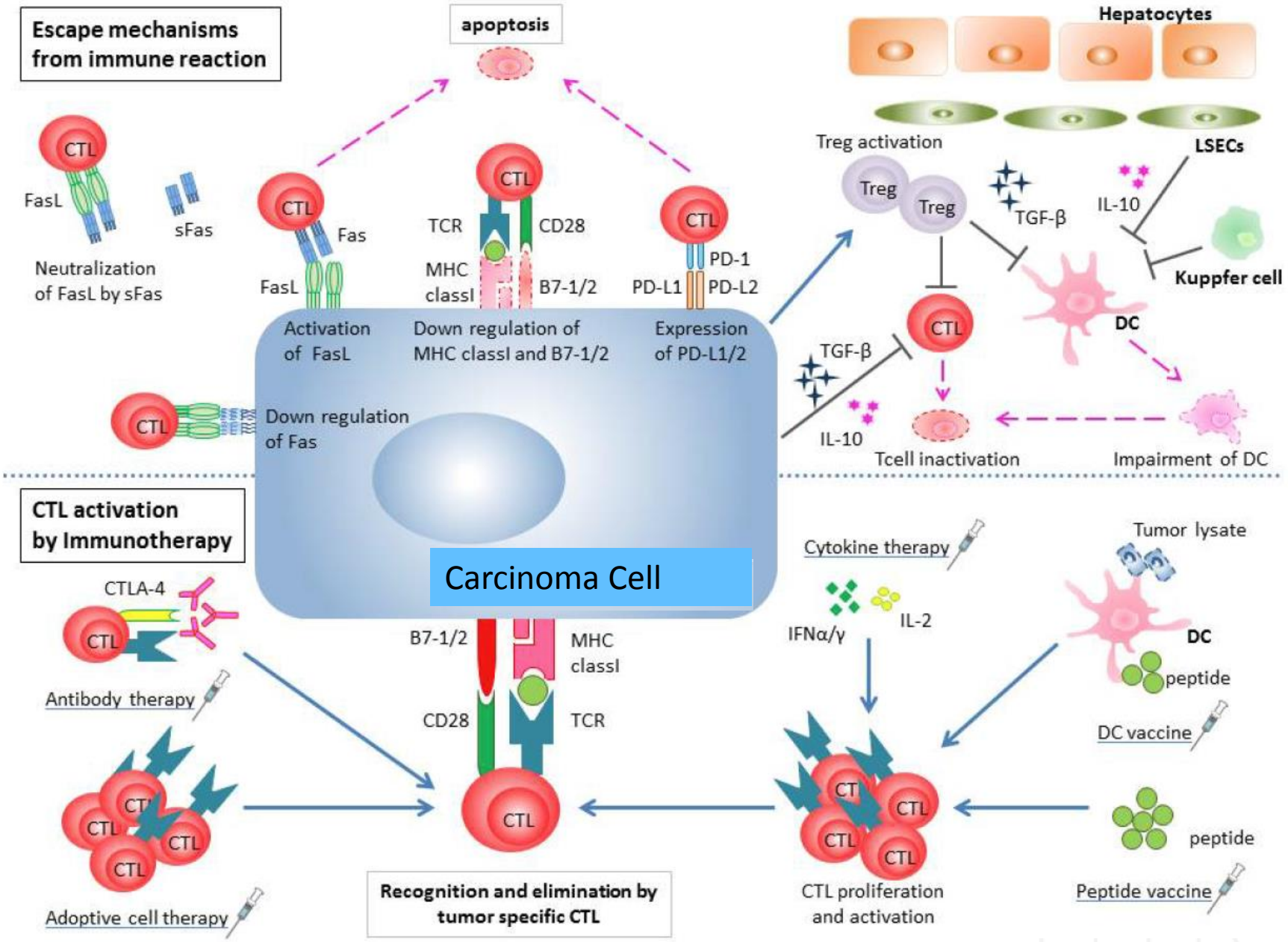

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Immunotherapy: PD1- Tumour-Interaction

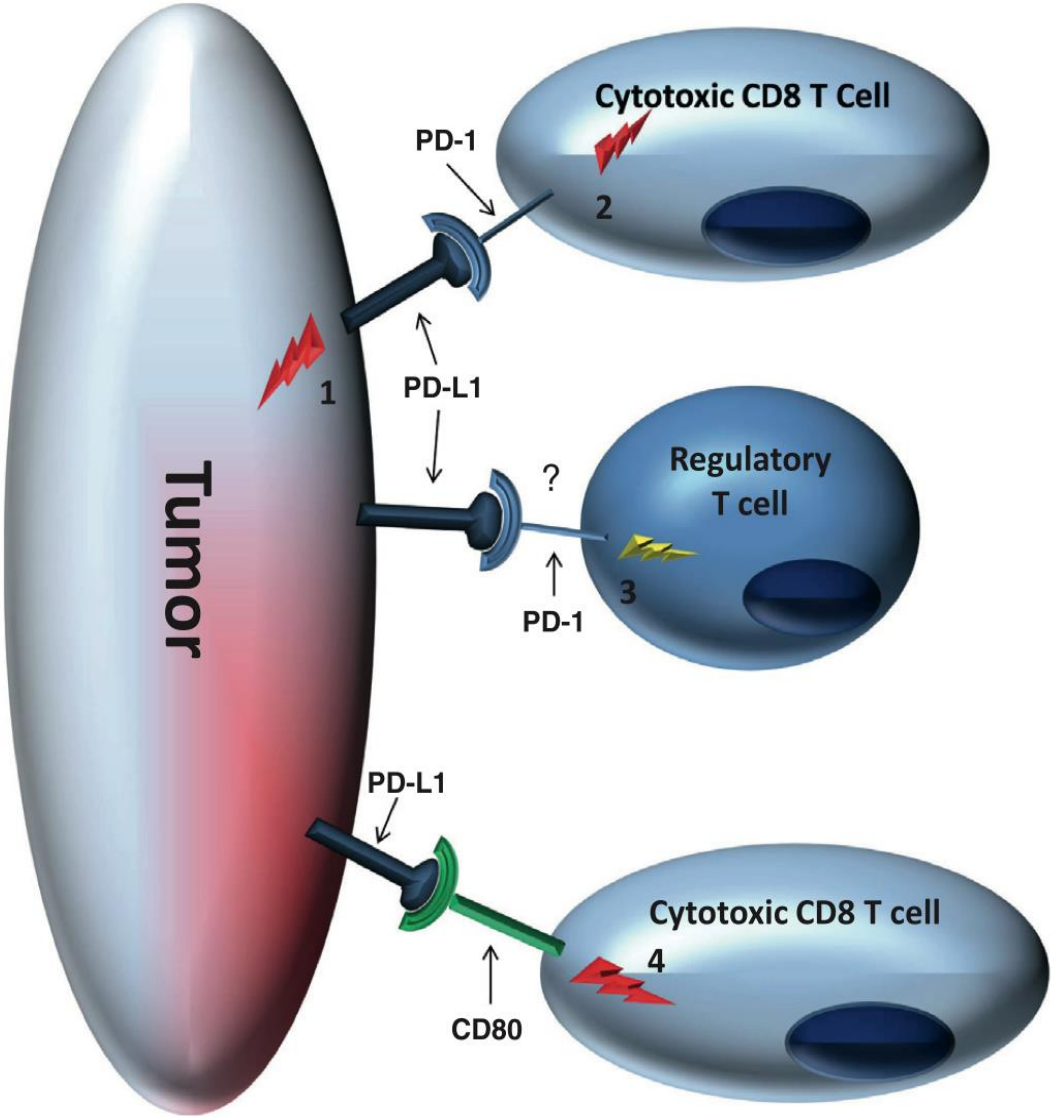

Figure 2. Mechanisms of PD-L1 driven tumor evasion of immune attack.

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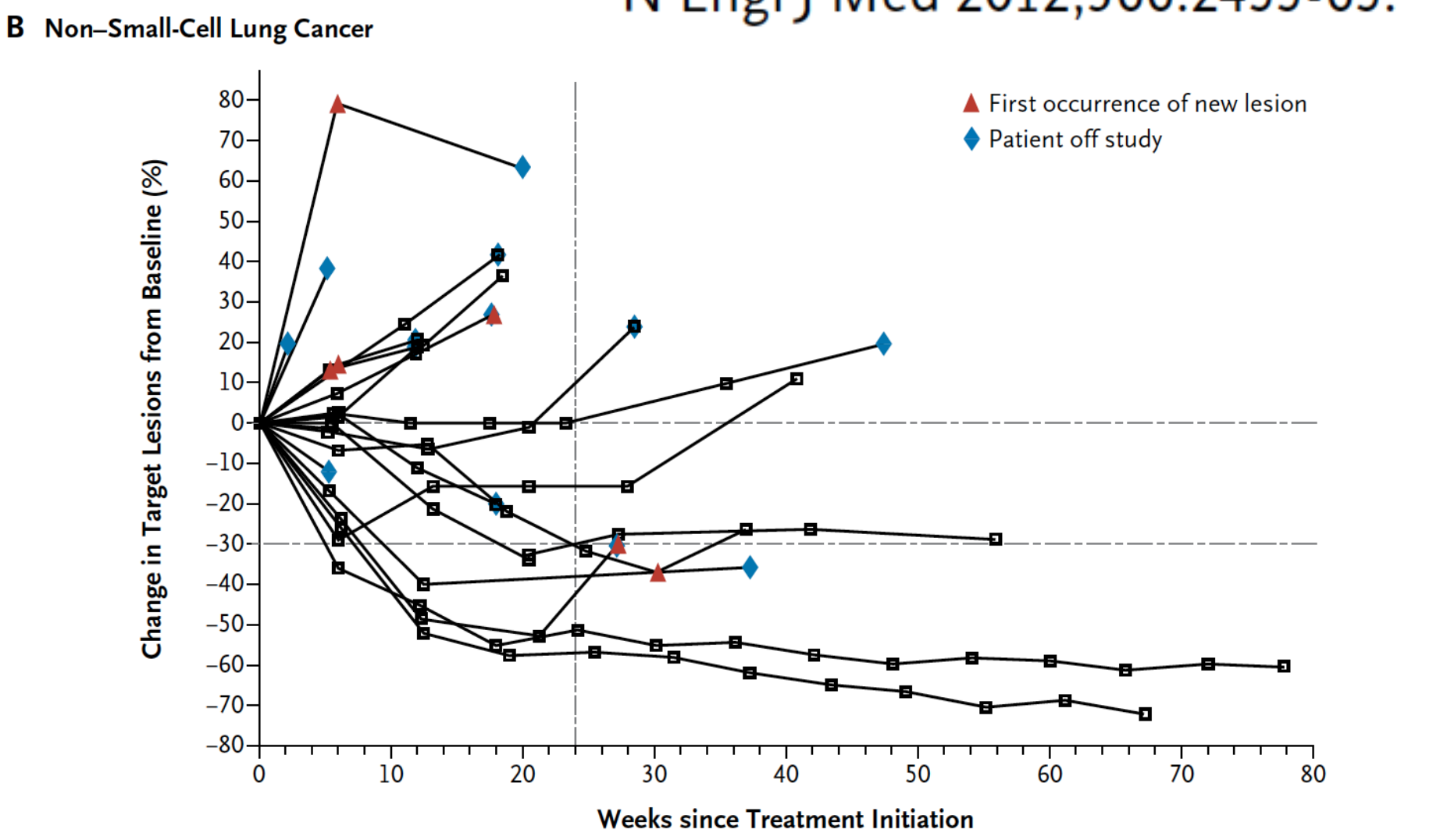

Figure 1. Activity of Anti–PD-L1 Antibody in Patients with Advanced Melanoma and Non–Small-Cell Lung Cancer.

Shown is the tumor burden (assessed as the longest linear dimension) over time in patients with melanoma (Panel A) and non–small-cell lung cancer (Panel B) who received 10 mg of anti–PD-L1 antibody per kilogram of body weight.

PD-L1 is highly expressed in Enzalutamide resistant prostate cancer

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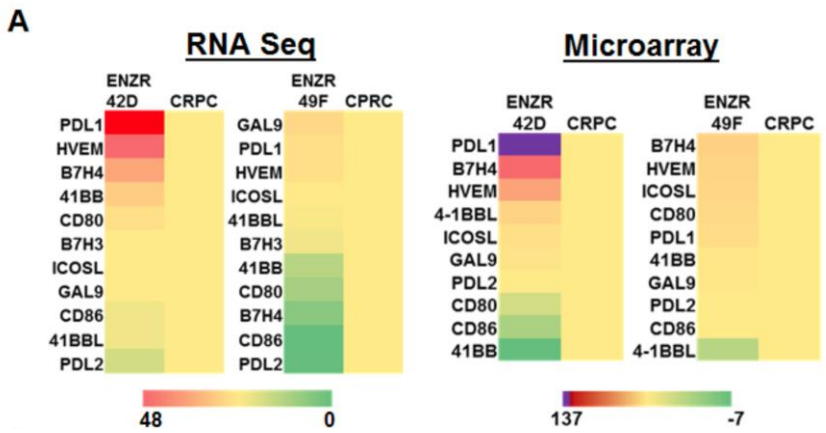
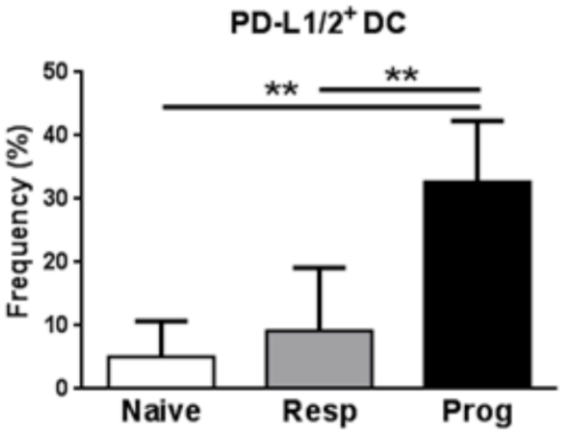


Higher PD-L1 Levels in ENZA-resistant Prostate cancer cells

Patients with disease progression Have higher PD-L-levels on DCs



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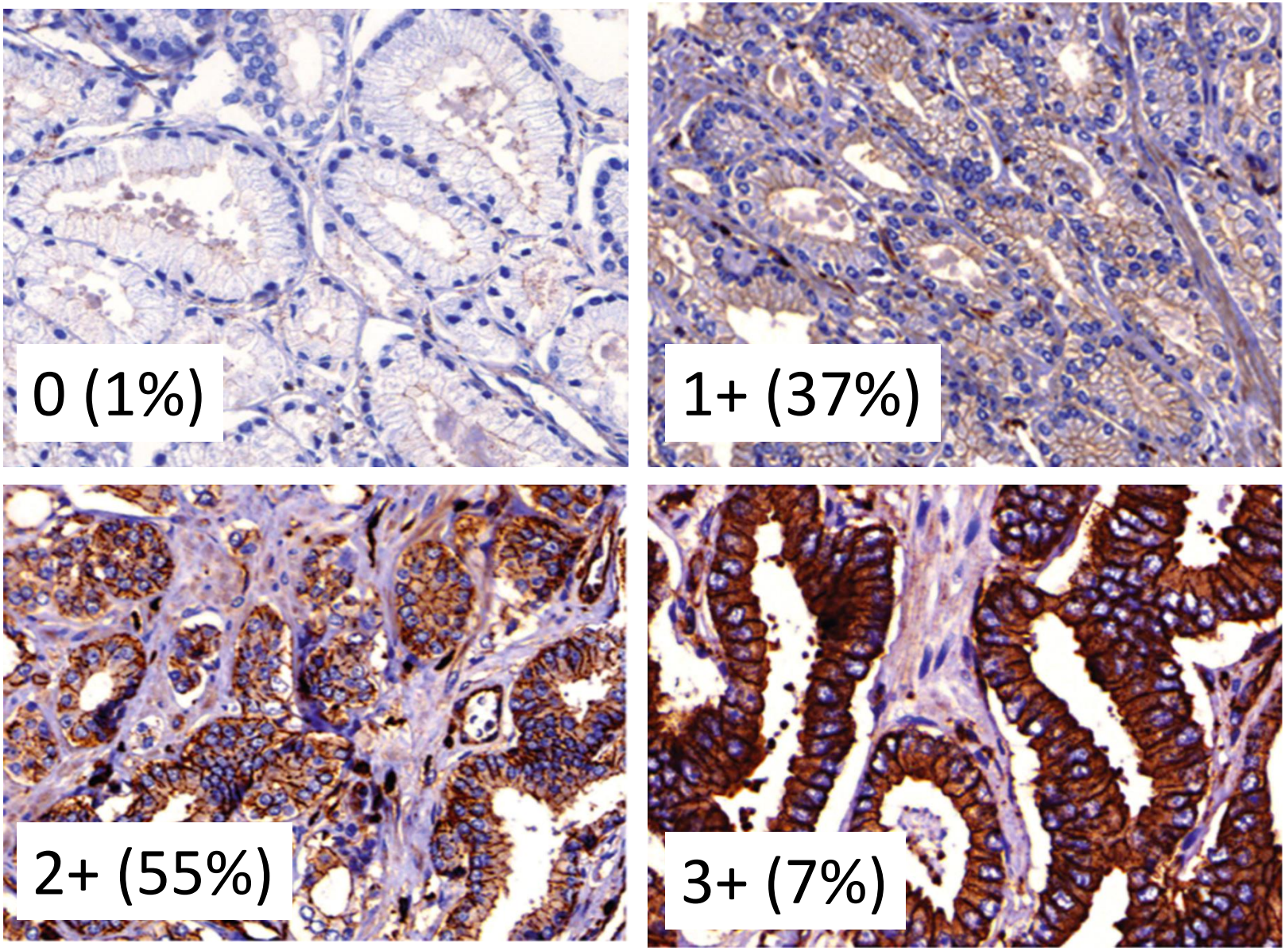
PD-L1 Expression in PCa



Prognostic value of PD-L1:

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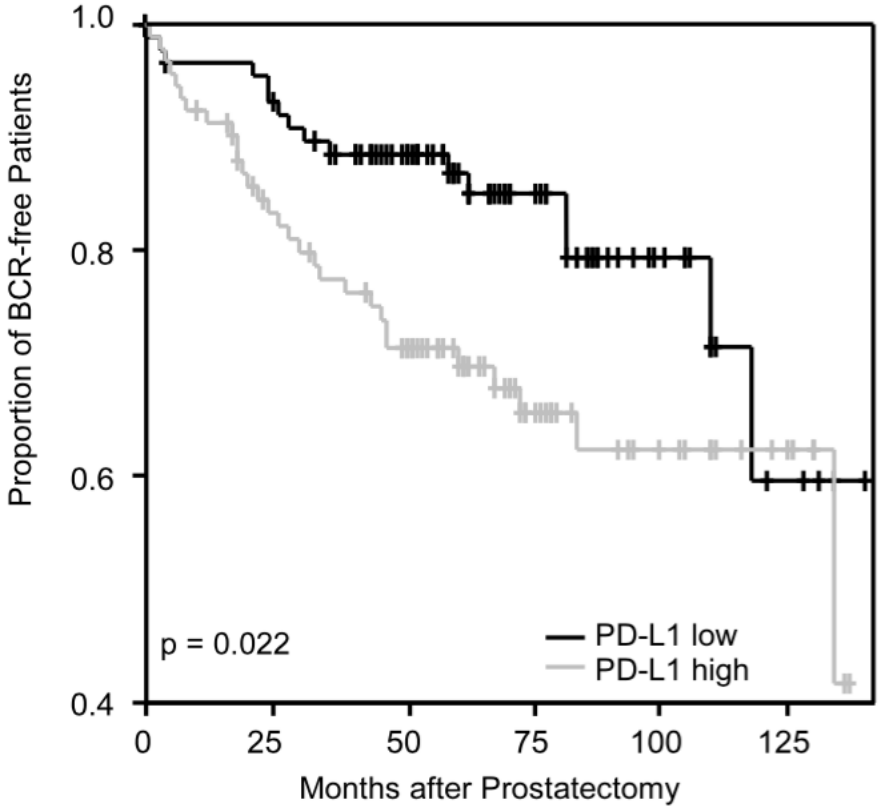
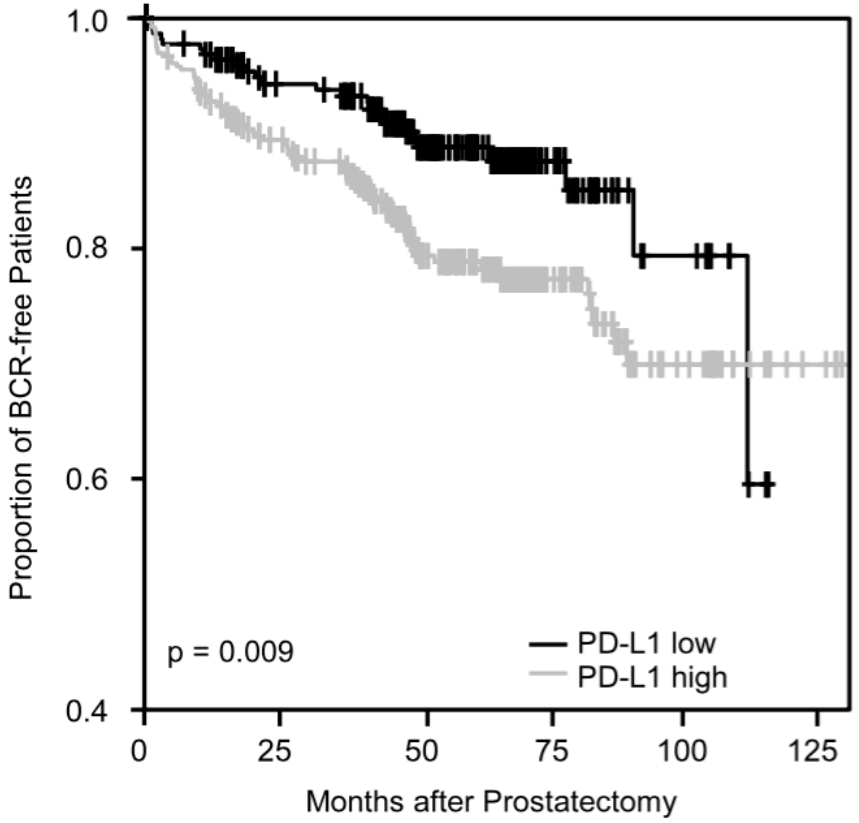


Test cohort (n=611)



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PD-L1 in Pca – Open Questions

- is PD-L1 prognostic in WW/AS cohorts?
- is PD-L1 expressed in CRPC?
- may this be therapeutically useful ?
- ...is this marker predictive for PD1/PD-L1 Tx?

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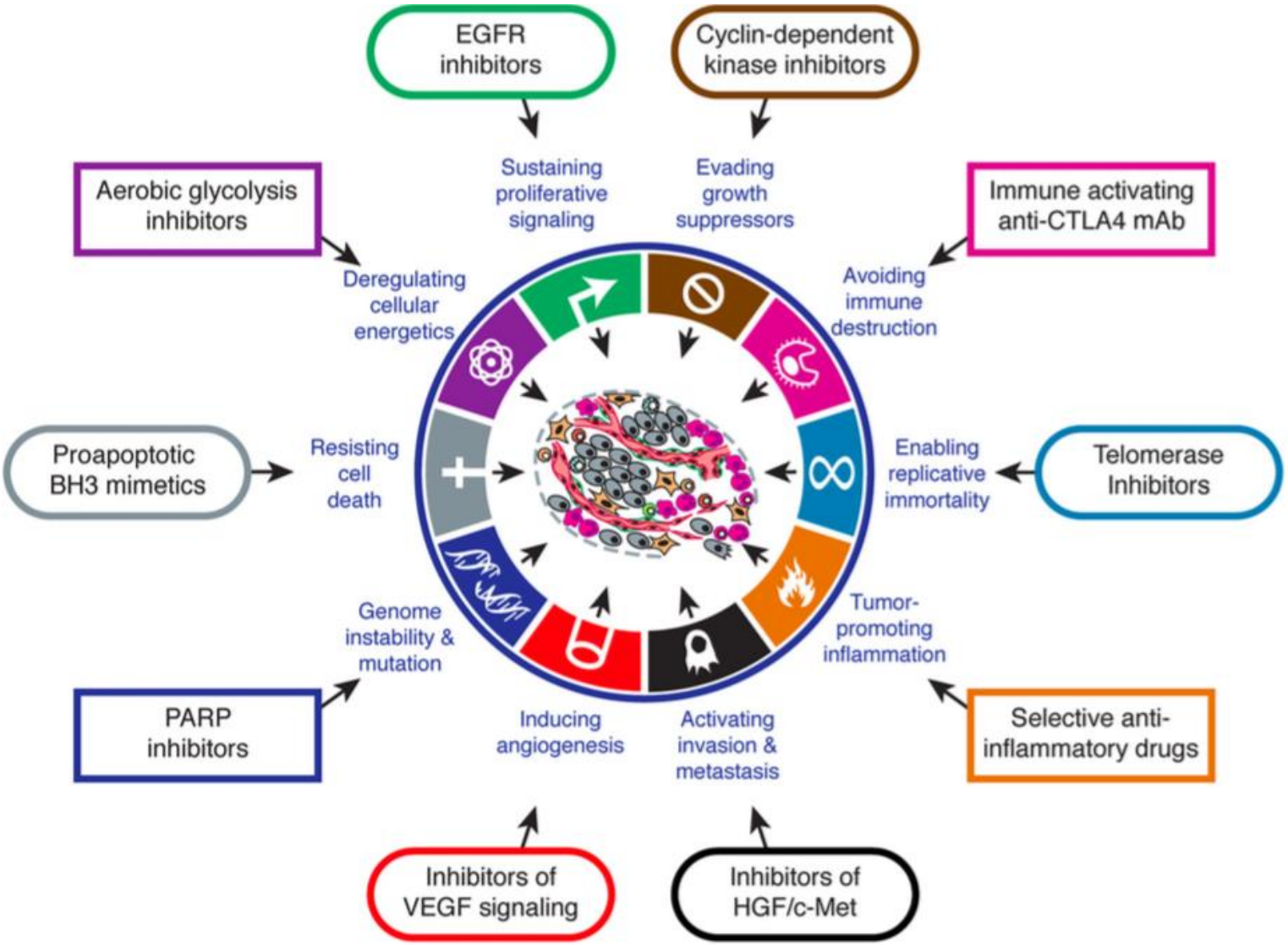

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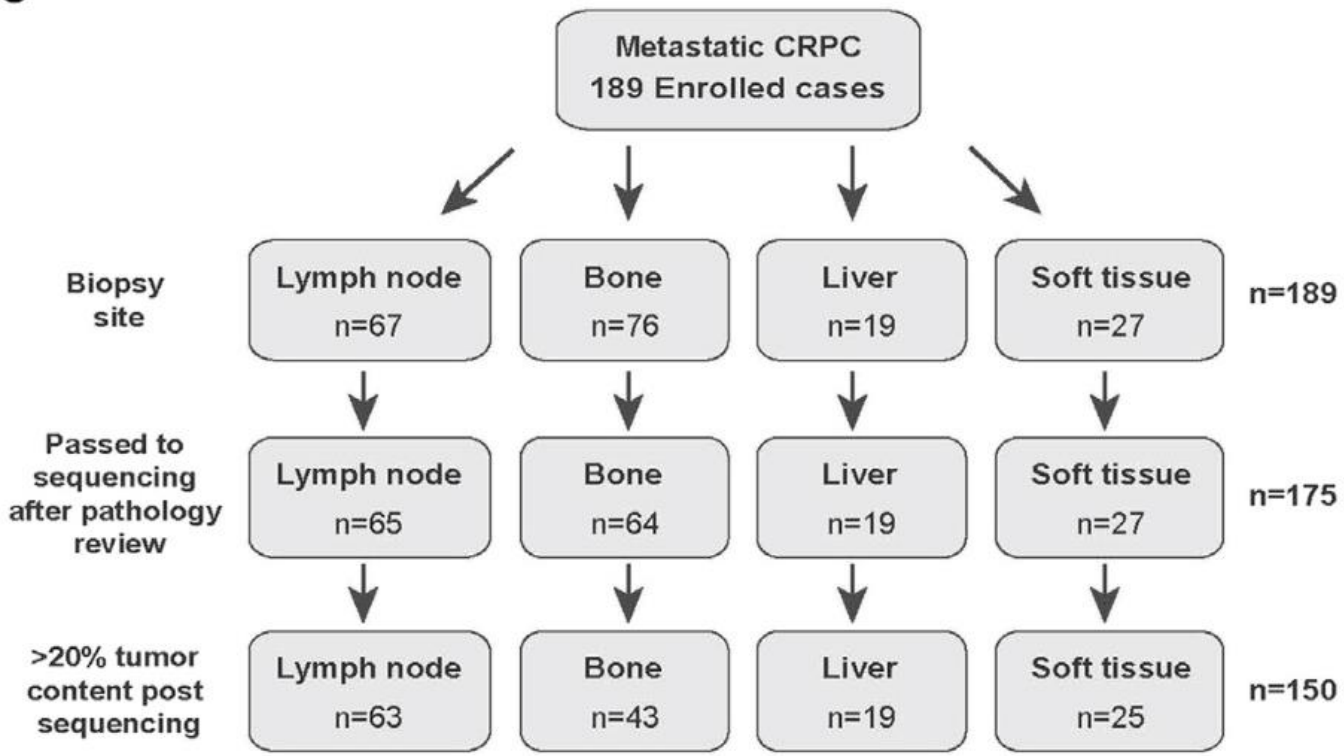

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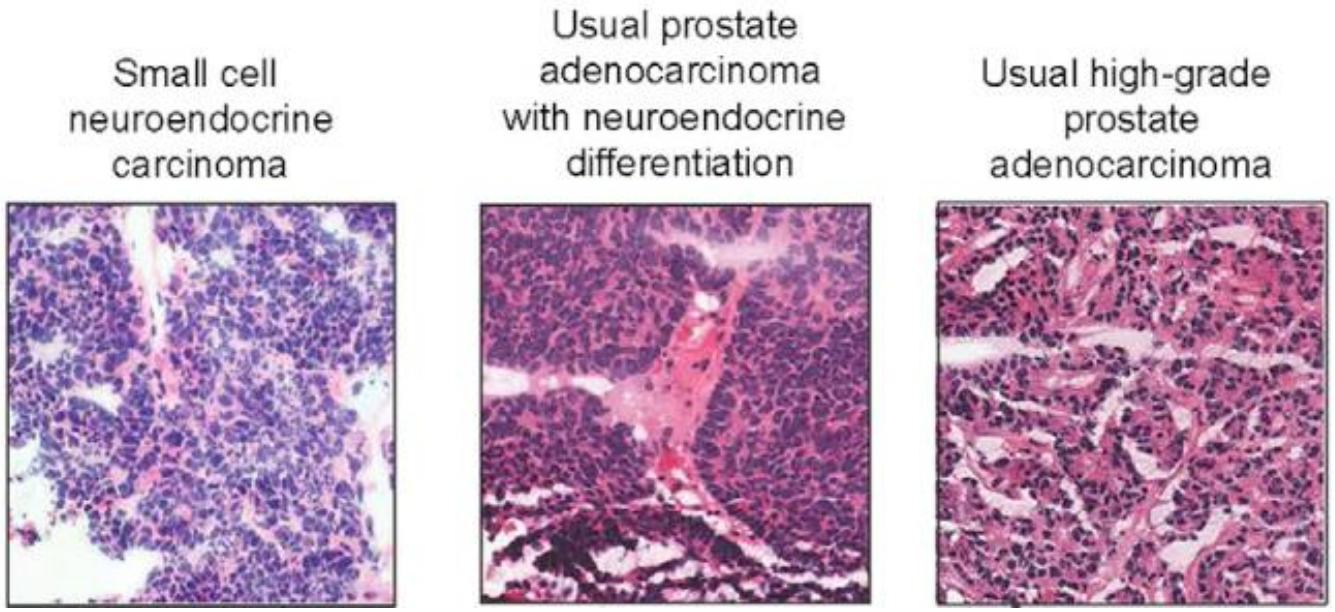

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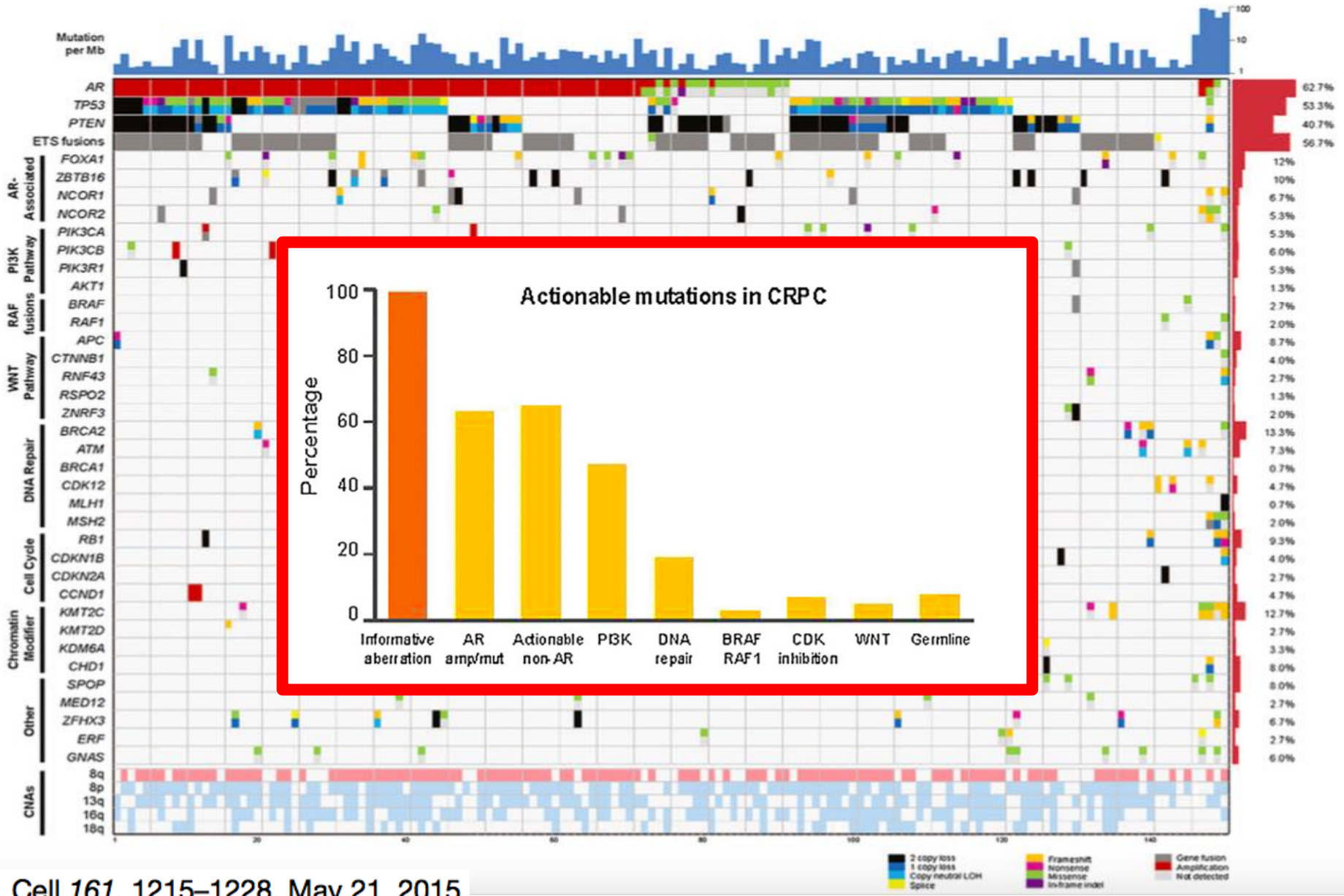

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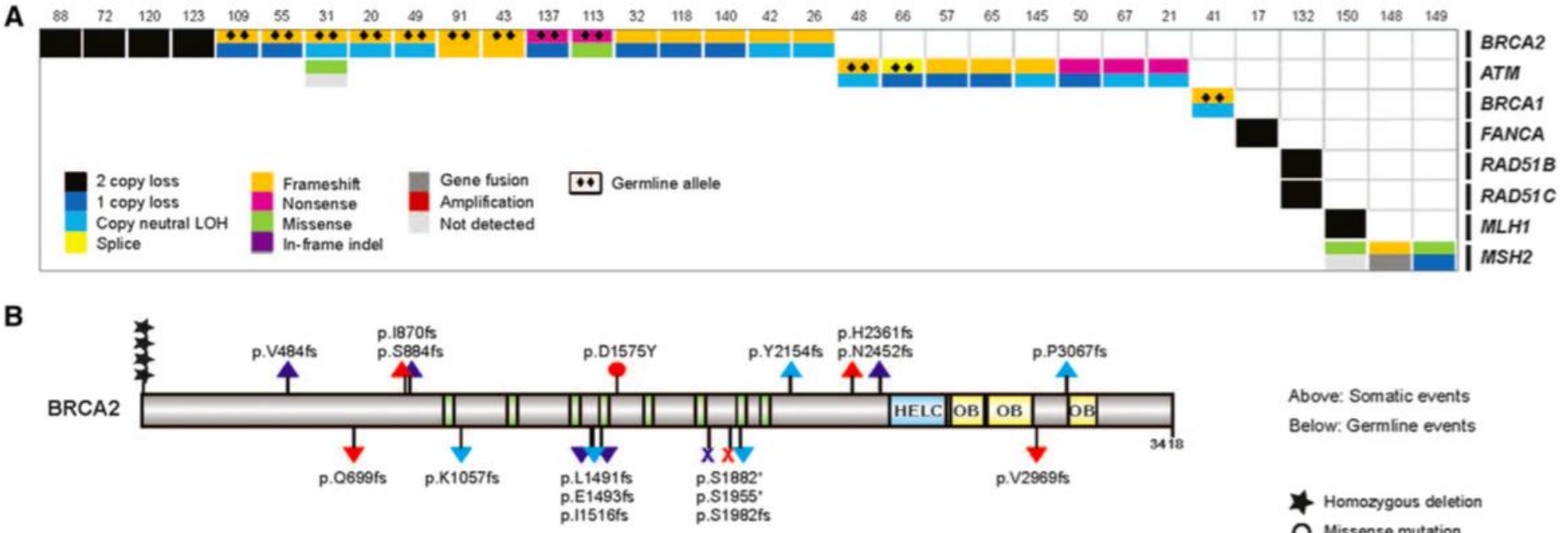

Additionally, biallelic inactivation of *BRCA2*, *BRCA1*, or *ATM* was observed in nearly 20% of affected individuals. Previous work in other cancer types suggests that these affected individuals may benefit from PARP inhibitors (Fong et al., 2009;

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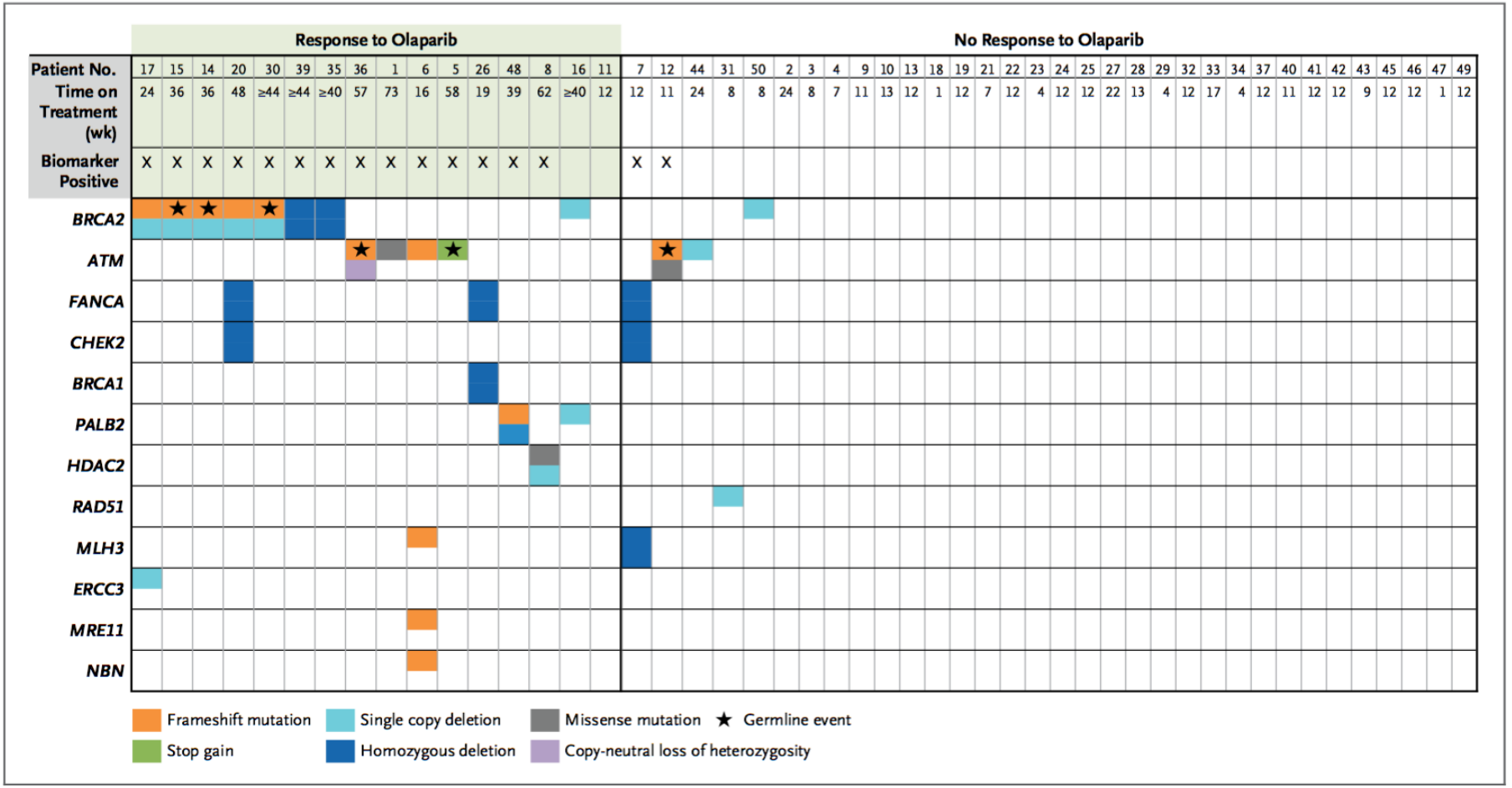
50 metastic CRPC cases, post Docetaxel (+Abi/Enza)

phase 2 trial: olaparib tablets, 400 mg bd.

Whole-exome sequencing of fresh- frozen tumor-biopsies



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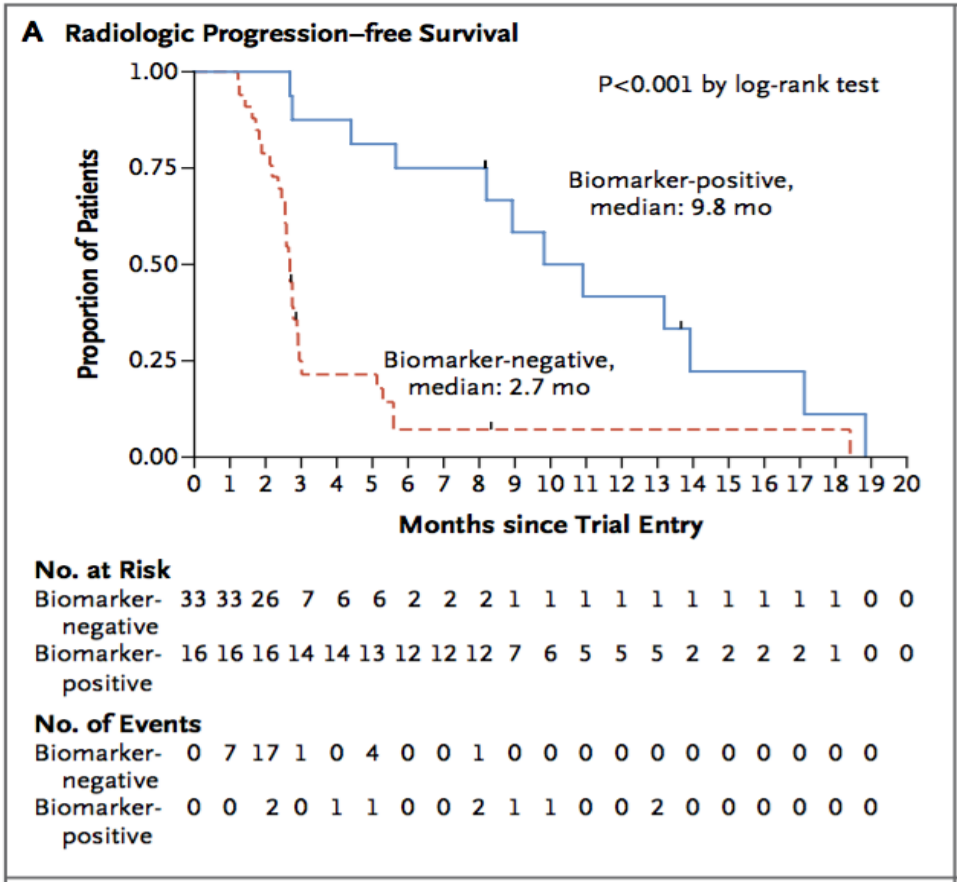
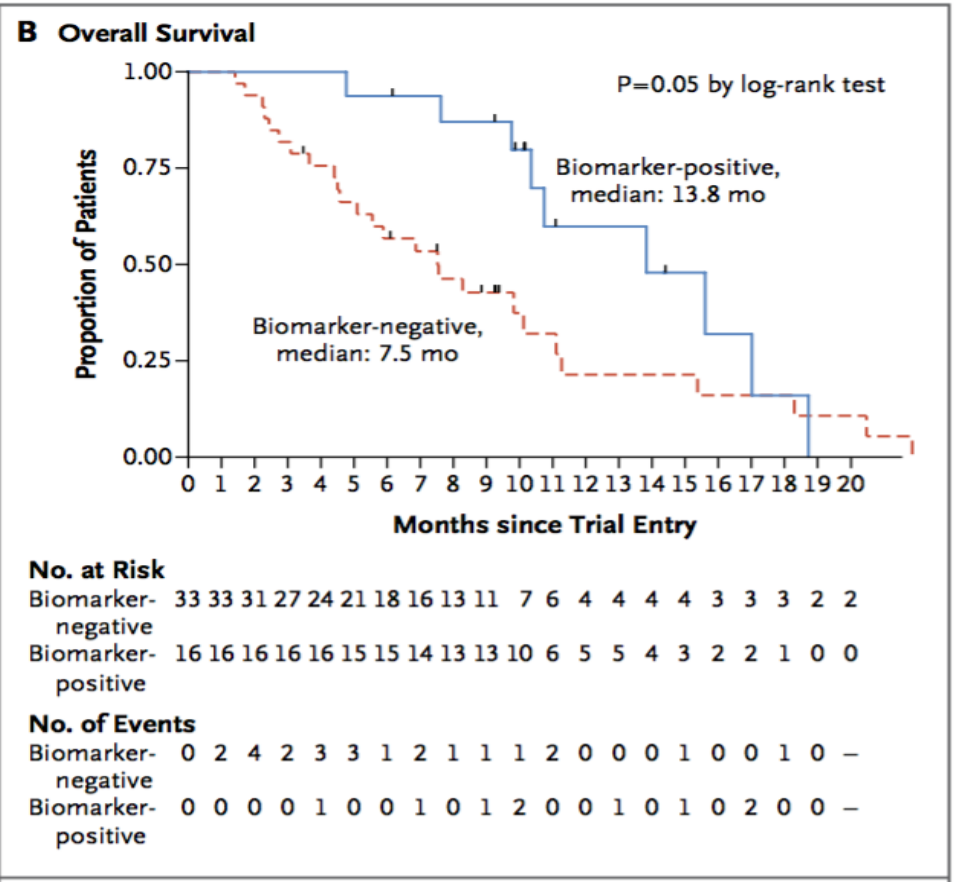
88% of DNA-repair deficient CRPC responded to Olaparib!





„In conclusion, we report that PARP inhibition has antitumor activity in sporadic cases of metastatic, castration-resistant prostate cancer and that these responses are associated with DNA- repair defects in tumor cells that can be identified through next-generation sequencing assays.“

Final Summary

- The molecular evolution of late stage prostate cancer is still incompletely understood. AR signalling remains relevant in CRPC
- At present, we cannot foresee the mechanism of androgen independence in a given case.
- (Tumor heterogeneity of metastatic Pca is obvious but not addressed)
- Immunotherapy may become relevant
- **Targeted therapy/predictive pathology for CRPC is beginning (DNArepair/Olaparib, ARV7-Enza/Abi, etc.)**

- Liquid biopsy develops: friend of foe of surgical pathology?

Thank you for your attention!