RESPIRATORY SYSTEM BLOCK



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1. TUBERCULOSIS

2. CANCER OF THE LUNG

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Respiratory Block



- Epithelioid and giant cell Granuloma, Ghon's complex or caseation is present
- Complications of TB are:
 - Amyloidosis,
 - Tuberculous pneumonia
 - Miliary tuberculosis
 - Tuberculous meningitis
 - Addison disease .

Pulmonary TB - Ghon's Complex – Gross Pathology



The Ghon's complex is seen here at closer range. Primary tuberculosis is the pattern seen with initial infection with tuberculosis in children. Reactivation, or secondary tuberculosis, is more typically seen in adults.

Pulmonary TB – Caseous Necrosis – Gross



Extensive caseation and the granulomas involve a larger bronchus causing soft, necrotic center to drain out and leave behind a cavity. Cavitation is typical for large granulomas with TB. Cavitation is more common in the upper lobes.

Pulmonary TB – Caseous Necrosis – Gross



On closer inspection, the granulomas have areas of caseous necrosis. This pattern of multiple caseating granulomas primarily in the upper lobes is most characteristic of **secondary (reactivation) tuberculosis**

Miliary TB of the Lungs

- Miliary TB can occur when TB lung lesions erode pulmonary veins or when extrapulmonary TB lesions erode systemic veins.
- This results in hematogenous dissemination of tubercle bacilli producing myriads of 1-2 mm. lesions throughout the body in susceptible hosts.
- Miliary spread limited to the lungs,
- The route by which the organisms have spread: following erosion of pulmonary arteries by TB lung lesions.



Miliary TB of the Lungs – Cut section



This is a "miliary" pattern of granulomas because there are a multitude of small tan granulomas, about 2 to 4 mm in size, scattered throughout the lung parenchyma. The miliary pattern gets its name from the resemblence of the granulomas to millet seeds.

Miliary TB of the Lungs – X-Ray



This chest x-ray shows a patient with miliary TB showing miliary nodules and Reticular shadows.

Tuberculous Granulomas - HPF



Well-defined granulomas are seen here. They have rounded outlines. The one toward the center of the photograph contains several Langhan's giant cells. Granulomas are composed of transformed macrophages called epithelioid cells along with lymphocytes, occasional PMN's, plasma cells, and fibroblasts

Pulmonary TB - Granuloma with central early necrosis



Giant cells and epithelioid histiocytic granulomas with caseous necrosis

Tuberculous Granulomas - HPF



The edge of a granuloma is shown here at high magnification. At the upper is amorphous pink caseous material [1] composed of the necrotic elements of the granuloma as well as the infectious organisms. This area is ringed by the inflammatory component [2] with epithelioid cells, lymphocytes, and fibroblasts.

Epithelioid & Giant cell Granulomas in Tuberculosis



At high magnification, the granuloma demonstrates that the epithelioid macrophages are elongated with long, pale nuclei and pink cytoplasm. The macrophages organize into committees called giant cells. The typical giant cell for infectious granulomas is called a Langhan's giant cell and has the nuclei lined up along one edge of the cell

Acid Fast bacilli of Mycobacterium TB in the Lung



A stain for Acid Fast Bacilli is done (AFB stain) to find the mycobacteria . The mycobacteria stain as red rods, as seen here at high magnification.

LUNG CARCINOMA

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TWO TYPES OF LUNG CARCINOMA

- NON-SMALL CELL CARCINOMA
 - **1. SQUAMOUS CELL CARCINOMA**
 - 2. ADENOCARCINOMA
 - 3. LARGE CELL CARCINOMA

SMALL CELL CARCINOMA

The NON-small cell cancers behave and are treated similarly, the SMALL cell carcinomas are WORSE than the non-small cell carcinomas, but respond better to chemotherapy, often drastically!

1. Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the lung

Most commonly found in men and correlated with smoking.

Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Lung - Gross



This is a squamous cell carcinoma of the lung that is arising centrally in the lung (as most squamous cell carcinomas do). It is obstructing the right main bronchus. The neoplasm is very firm and has a pale white to tan cut surface.

Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Lung - Gross



This is a larger squamous cell carcinoma in which a portion of the tumor demonstrates central cavitation, probably because the tumor outgrew its blood supply.

Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Lung – CT scan



This chest CT scan view demonstrates a large squamous cell carcinoma of the right upper lobe that extends around the right main bronchus and also invades into the mediastinum and involves hilar lymph nodes.

Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Lung - HPF



Microscopic appearance of squamous cell carcinoma with nests of polygonal cells with pink cytoplasm and distinct cell borders. The nuclei are hyperchromatic and angular.

Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Lung - HPF



In this squamous cell carcinoma at the upper right is a squamous eddy with a keratin pearl. At the left, the tumor is less differentiated and several dark mitotic figures are seen

Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Lung - HPF



The pink cytoplasm with distinct cell borders and intercellular bridges characteristic for a squamous cell carcinoma of the lung

2. Adenocarcinoma of the lung

- The most common type of lung cancer, making up 30-40% of all cases.
- Glandular differentiation by tumor cells and 80% of those cells produce mucin.
- Not as strongly associated with a smoking history as compared to Squamous or Small Cell Carcinomas

Adenocarcinoma of the Lung – Gross



A peripheral adenocarcinoma of the lung. Adenocarcinomas and large cell anaplastic carcinomas tend to occur more peripherally in lung. Adenocarcinoma is the one cell type of primary lung tumor that occurs more often in non-smokers and in smokers who have quit.

Adenocarcinoma of the Lung







A peripheral adenocarcinoma of the lung appears in this chest radiograph of an elderly non-smoker woman. CT scans in a 61-year-old man with adenocarcinoma of the lung

Adenocarcinoma of the Lung – LPF



Microscopically, the Adenocarcinoma in Situ (Previously named Bronchioloalveolar Carcinoma) is composed of columnar cells that proliferate along the framework of alveolar septae. The cells are well-differentiated.

Adenocarcinoma of the Lung – HPF



Section of the tumor shows moderately differentiated malignant glands lined by pleomorphic and hyperchromatic malignant cells showing conspicuous nucleoli. Note the presence of tissue desmoplasia around the neoplastic glands.

Adenocarcinoma of the Lung – HPF



Differentiated malignant glands lined by pleomorphic and hyperchromatic malignant cells showing conspicuous nucleoli

3. Large Cell Carcinoma of the lung

- Can be a neuroendocrine carcinoma. Probably represents undifferentiated SCC and adenocarcinomas.
- Large nuclei, prominent nucleoli.
- Variation in size and shape.
- Nuclei normally do not touch due to more cytoplasm.
- Moderate amount of cytoplasm.

Large Cell Carcinoma of the Lung – Gross



Undifferentiated Large Cell Carcinoma of the Lung – Gross



Large Cell Carcinoma of the Lung – HPF



Pleomorphic carcinoma of lung (large cell and giant cell subtype). It shows mixed composition of large cell carcinoma and pleomorphic multinucleated giant cells (arrows). (H and E, ×200)

Large Cell Carcinoma of the Lung – HPF



This section from lower respiratory tract shows neoplastic cells with abundant pale eosinophilic cytoplasm and a surrounding infiltrate of inflammatory cells

Small cell carcinoma of the lung

- Highly Malignant Tumor.
- Cells are small, with scant cytoplasm, ill-defined borders, finely granular chromatin (salt & pepper pattern) and absent or inconspicious nucleoli.
- High mitotic count and often extensive necrosis.
- Typically not graded as all SCLC are considered High Grade.
- Very strong relationship with smoking.
- Often lead to paraneoplastic syndromes.

Paraneoplastic syndromes due to oat cell (Small)cell Carcinoma:

- a- Cushing syndrome (ACTH).
- b- Inappropriate secretion of ADH.
- 🗆 c- Hypercalcaemia.
- d- Hypertrophic pulmonary osteodystrophy.
- e- Coagulation abnormalities.

Small Cell Carcinoma of the Lung "Oat cell" – Gross



Arising centrally in this lung and spreading extensively is a small cell anaplastic (oat cell) carcinoma. The cut surface of this tumor has a <u>soft, lobulated, white to tan appearance</u>. The tumor seen here has caused obstruction of the main bronchus to left lung so that the distal lung is collapsed

Small Cell Carcinoma of the Lung "Oat cell" – Gross



--Small cell carcinoma which is **Pale tumour tissue spreading along the bronchi** -----Metastatic tumour involving hilar lymph nodes.

Small Cell Carcinoma of the Lung "Oat cell" - HPF



This is the microscopic pattern of a small cell anaplastic (oat cell) carcinoma in which small dark blue cells with minimal cytoplasm are packed together in sheets.

Small cell carcinoma "Oat cell" of the lung - HPF



- > Small round, oval and spindle —shaped tumour cells.
- Granular nuclear chromatin (salt and pepper pattern)
- With prominent nuclear molding
- > High mitotic count.
- > Focal necrosis.

Metastatic tumours of the lung

METASTATIC TUMORS

- LUNG is the MOST COMMON site for all metastatic tumors, regardless of the site of origin.
- It is the site of FIRST CHOICE for metastatic sarcomas for purely anatomic reasons !

Metastatic Tumors of the Lung – Gross & X-ray





Multiple variably-sized masses are seen in all lung fields. These tan-white nodules are characteristic for metastatic carcinoma. Metastases to the lungs are more common even than primary lung neoplasms Chest X-ray showing multiple cannon ball opacities in both lung fields.

Metastatic Tumors of the Lung – Gross & CT scan



Here are larger but still variably-sized nodules of metastatic carcinoma in lung.

CT Lung shows Cannonball Metastases-large, hematogenously spread metastatic lesions in the lungs of varying sizes most often from colon, breast, renal, thyroid primaries

Metastatic Tumors of the Lung – LPF



A nest of metastatic infiltrating ductal carcinoma from breast is seen in a dilated lymphatic channel in the lung. Carcinomas often metastasize via lymphatics.

Metastatic Tumors of the Lung – LPF



A focus of metastatic carcinoma from breast is seen on the pleural surface of the lung. Such pleural metastases may lead to pleural effusions, including hemorrhagic effusions, and pleural fluid cytology can often reveal the malignant cells

Mesothelioma of the lung

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Mesothelioma of the Lung – Gross



The dense white encircling tumor mass is arising from the visceral pleura and is a mesothelioma. These are big bulky tumors that can fill the chest cavity. The risk factor for mesothelioma is asbestos exposure.

Mesothelioma of the Lung – Gross



RESPIRATORY: Pleura: Mesothelioma: Gross natural color external view of lung with nodules of tumor on pleura

Mesothelioma of the Lung – MPF



Mesotheliomas have either <u>spindle cells or plump rounded cells forming gland-like</u> <u>configurations</u>, as seen here at high power microscopically. They are very difficult to diagnose cytologically.

Mesothelioma of the Lung – HPF



Mesothelioma: Micro epithelial pattern spindle cells or plump rounded cells forming glandlike configurations **GOOD LUCK**