



# Pathology Practical

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## Endocrine Block

**Dr: it will be 3 stations in the exam**

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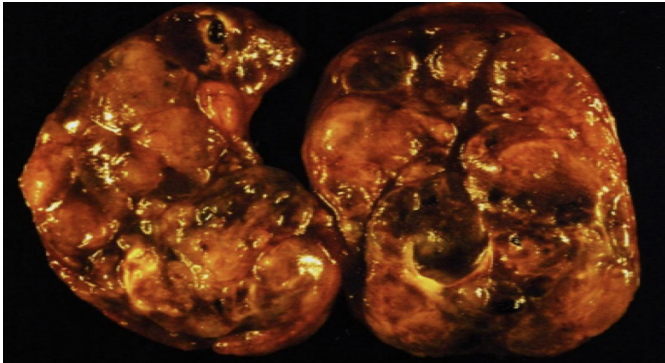
Pink: only in girls slides

# Case 1: Multinodular Goiter

## Gross:



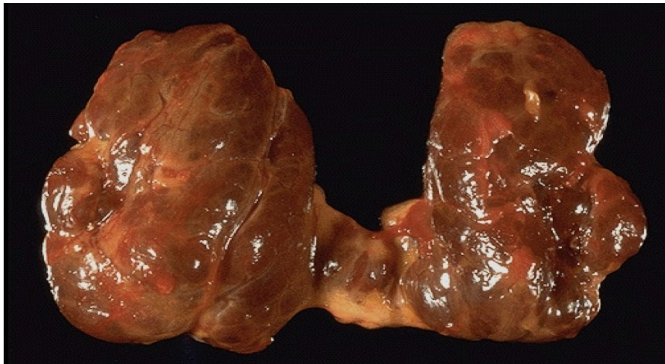
Huge masses in central neck



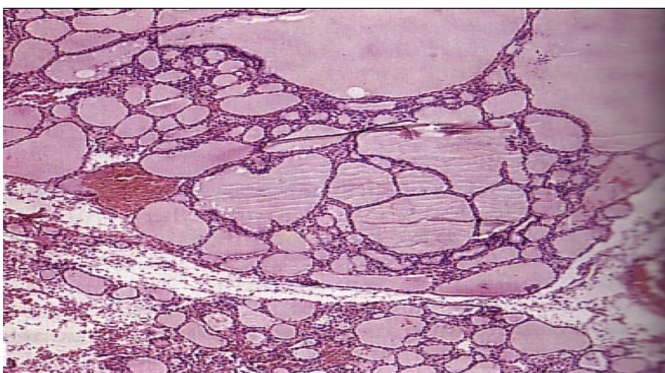
It's **Euthyroid** which is the most common cause for an enlarged thyroid gland and the most common disease of the thyroid

### It shows:

- Diffuse asymmetrical thyroid enlargement
- Nodular thyroid
- Haemorrhage
- Cystic degeneration

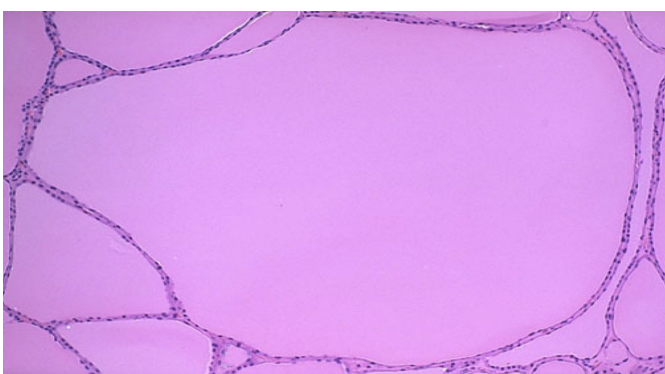


## Histology :



### LPF shows:

- Numerous follicles varying in size filled with colloid
- Recent haemorrhage
- Haemosiderin
- Calcification
- Cystic degeneration



### LPF picture shows:

- Irregularly enlarged follicles
- Flattened epithelium
- Consistent with inactivity

# Case 2: Hyperthyroidism & Grave's Disease

## Clinically:

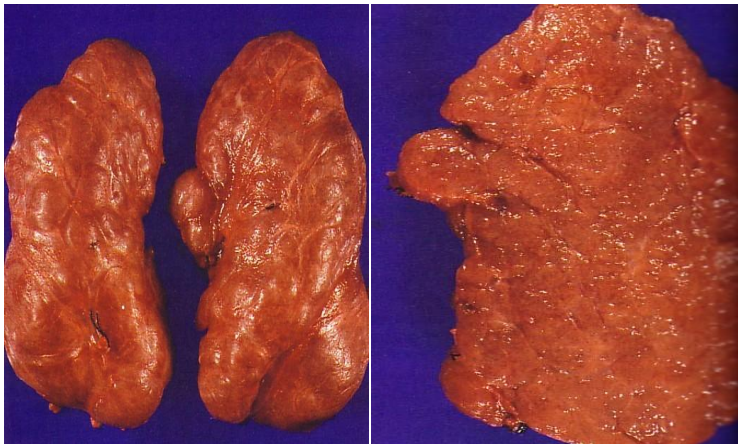
- Hyper Metabolism.
- Tachycardia, palpitations.
- Increased T3, T4.
- Goiter.
- Exophthalmos
- Tremor
- GIT hypermotility
- Thyroid "storm", life threatening



## It shows:

- Proptosis
- Lid lag
- Lid retraction
- Peri-ocular fat deposition
- and Scleral rim above the iris

## Gross:

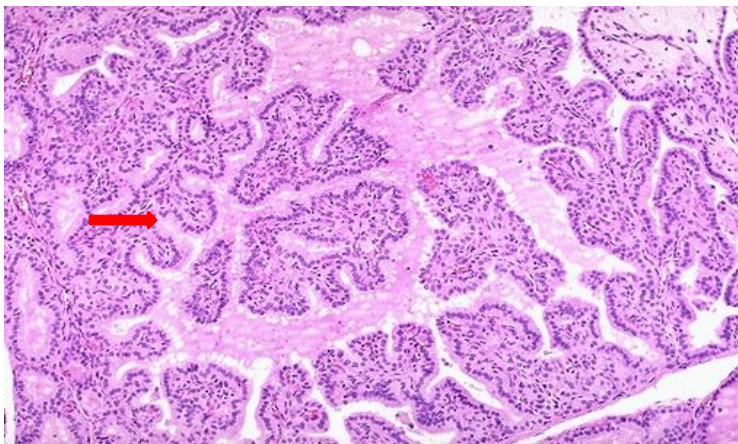


## It shows:

- Symmetrical enlargement of thyroid gland
- Cut-surface is homogenous, soft and appear meaty
- Hyperplasia and hypertrophy of follicular cells

## Histology:

Note:important  
What is the difference between graves and PTC?Look for the nuclear features,there is an orphan annie appearance in PTC also there is a fibrovascular core



**A diffusely enlarged thyroid gland associated with hyperthyroidism is known as Graves disease.**

## At LPF It shows:

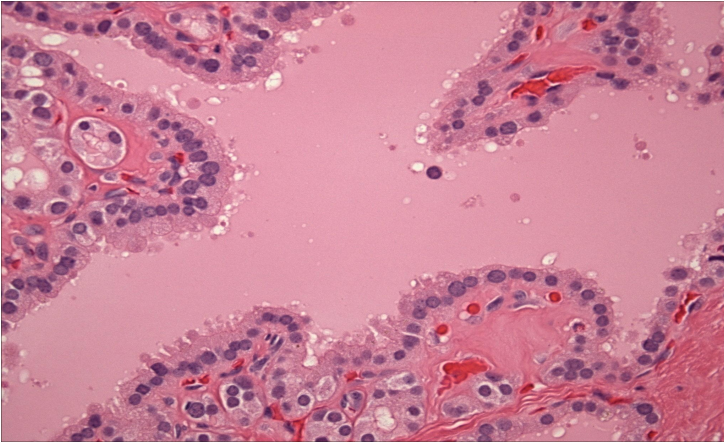
- Prominent infoldings of the hyperplastic follicular epithelium (Arrow)

## Notes:

Pathogenesis of exophthalmos:

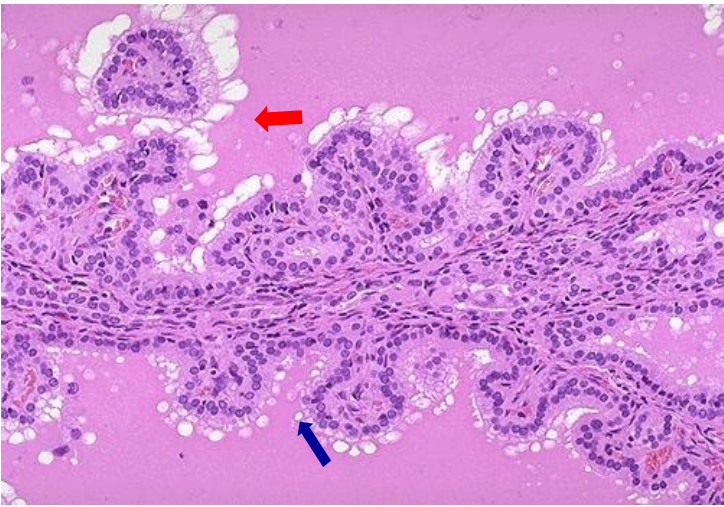
- (1) marked infiltration of the retro-orbital space by mononuclear cells ( mainly T cells)
- (2) inflammatory edema and swelling of extraocular muscles
- (3) accumulation of extracellular matrix components (glycosaminoglycan)
- (4) increased numbers of adipocytes

# Case 2: Hyperthyroidism & Grave's Disease



## It shows:

- Thyroid follicles lined by columnar and high cuboidal cells
- Peripheral vacuoles within the intrafollicular colloid material.
- Presence of peripheral smaller thyroid follicles devoid of colloid but lined by similar cells



## It shows:

- Tall columnar thyroid epithelium in Graves disease lines the **hyperplastic infoldings** into the colloid.
- **Clear vacuoles** in the colloid next to the epithelium where the increased activity of the epithelium to produce increased thyroid hormone has led to scalloping out of the colloid in the follicle.

## Notes:

Antibodies involved in the Pathogenesis of Graves' disease:

- (1) Thyroid-stimulating immunoglobulin
- (2) Thyroid growth-stimulating immunoglobulins
- (3) TSH-binding inhibitor immunoglobulins

# Case 3: Hashimoto's Thyroiditis

## Gross:



### Complications:

B cell lymphoma and Papillary carcinoma (PTC)

This symmetrically small thyroid gland demonstrates atrophy. This patient was hypothyroid. This is the end result of **Hashimoto's thyroiditis**.

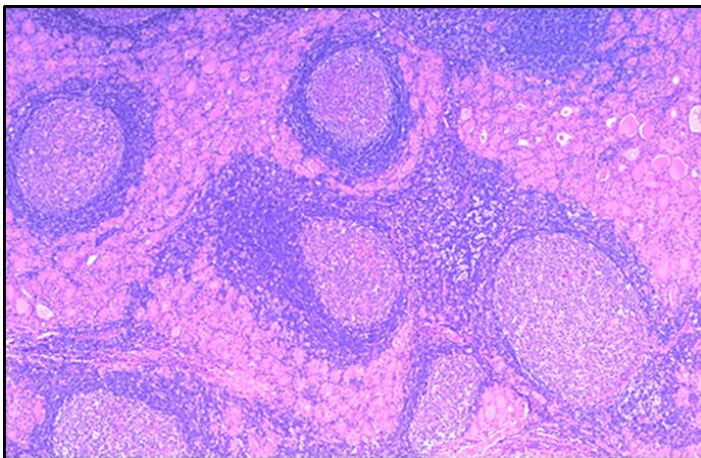
Initially, the thyroid is **enlarged** and there may be **transient hyperthyroidism**, followed by a **euthyroid** state and then **hypothyroidism** with eventual atrophy years later.



### This cut surface is:

- Firm. Why? Because there is less colloid
- Pale ,yellow-tan why?because hurthle cells are eosinophilic
- Slightly nodular . Why? Because of germinal centers

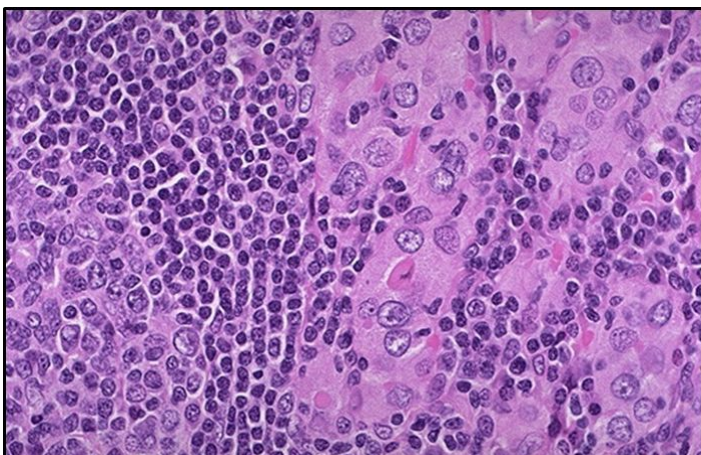
## Histology:



### This view shows:

- An early stage of Hashimoto thyroiditis
- Prominent lymphoid follicles containing large, active germinal centers.

**In this autoimmune disease, antithyroglobulin and antimicrosomal (thyroid peroxidase) autoantibodies can often be detected in serum. Which cell? (Autoimmune T cell mediated).**



### This HPF view demonstrates:

- Hurthle cell or oxyphil cell change.(Right)
- Lymphocytic infiltration with lymphoid follicles formation. (Left)

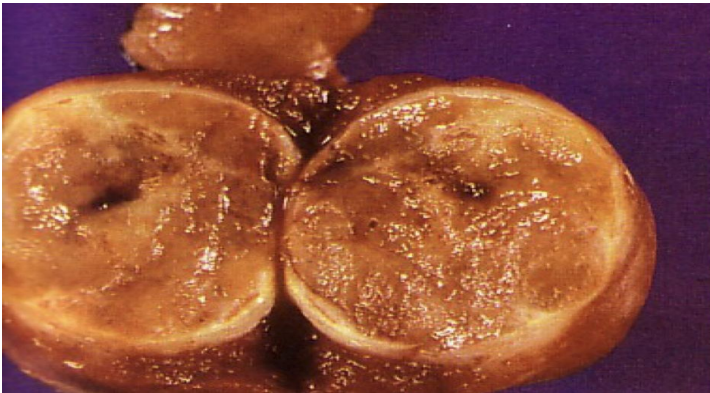
# Case 4 : Follicular Adenoma

## Gross :



Benign or malignant ? Benign

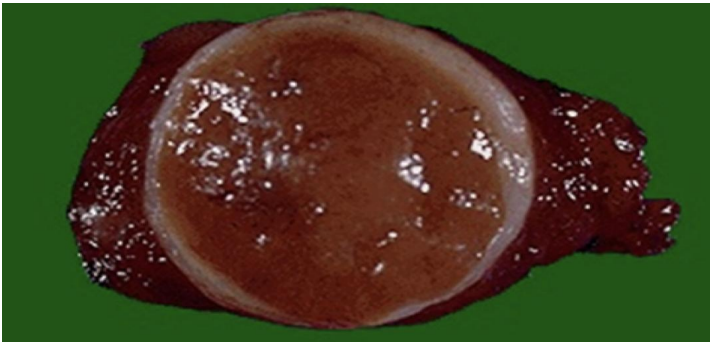
Central and slightly left sided thyroid nodule.



It shows:

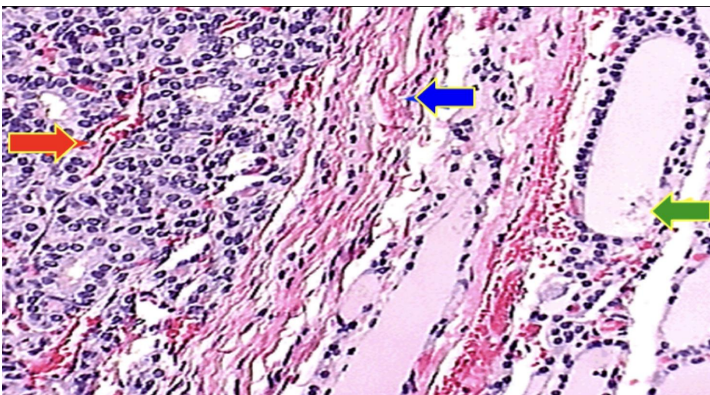
- Well circumscribed and **encapsulated(important)** tumor nodule.
- Pale and yellowish cut-surface

The features are consistent with a follicular adenoma of thyroid gland .

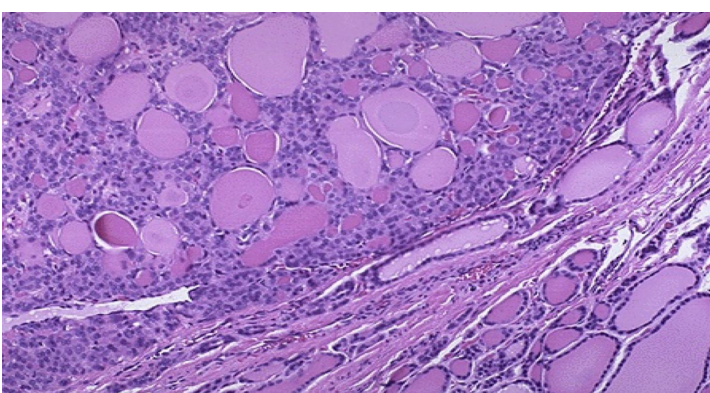


## Histology:

In which case this tumor will convert to carcinoma ?  
Capsular and vascular invasion



- The **Red arrow** is located within the adenoma showing Small neoplastic follicles with little colloid material.
- The **Blue arrow** points to the capsule of the adenoma.
- The **Green arrow** points to Normal thyroid follicles outside the tumor.



It shows:

- Normal thyroid follicles appear at the lower right.
- The follicular adenoma is at the center to upper left.
- This adenoma is a well- differentiated neoplasm because it closely resemble normal tissue.

**Pathologic features that if present they will indicate malignant transformation are Capsular invasion and Vascular invasion.**

# Case 5: Papillary Thyroid Carcinoma

## Gross:

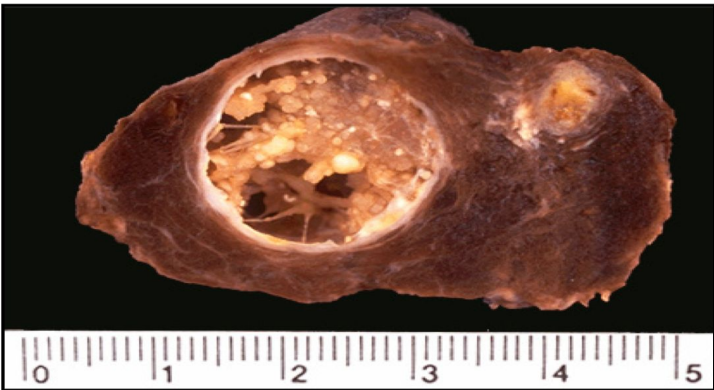


**Huge thyroid swelling due to papillary thyroid carcinoma**



### It shows:

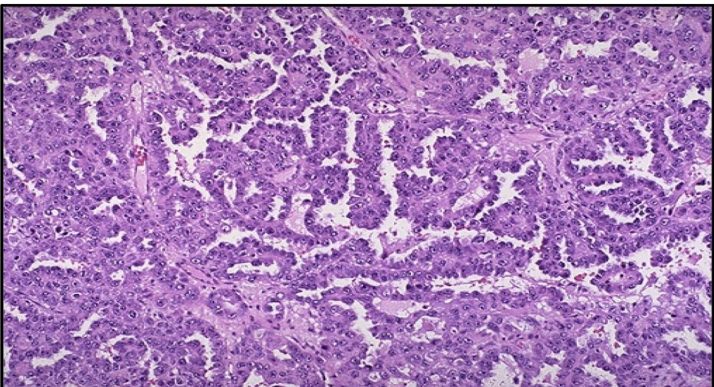
- Well circumscribed pale and firm nodule
- Whitish cut surface
- Vague scattered papillary areas



**Sectioning through a lobe of excised thyroid gland reveals a papillary carcinoma.**

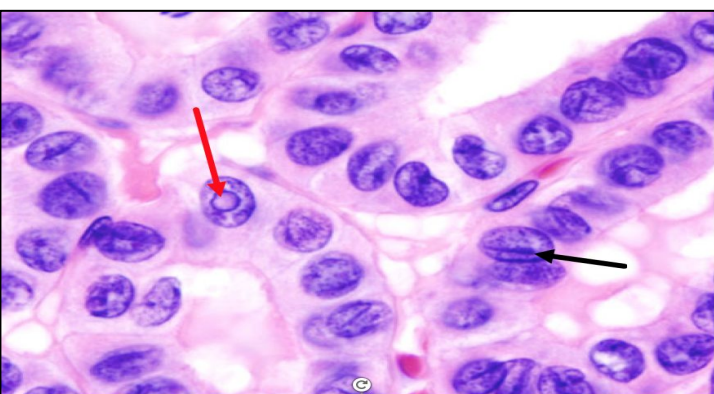
- This neoplasm can be multifocal, because of the propensity of this neoplasm to invade lymphatics within thyroid, and lymph node metastases are also common
- The larger mass shown here is cystic and contains papillary excrescences.

## Histology:



### Sections show:

- Papillary neoplasm consisting of papillary fronds lined by overlapping clear nuclei (Orphan Annie nuclei).
- Calcified Psammoma bodies.



### High power microscopic field showing:

- Classical papillary carcinoma of the thyroid gland
- Intranuclear inclusion (red arrow)
- Coffee bean nucleus with prominent nuclear groove (black arrow)

# Case 6: Pheochromocytoma

## Gross:



90% are benign  
10% metastasis  
Depends on its behavior.

### This gross section shows:

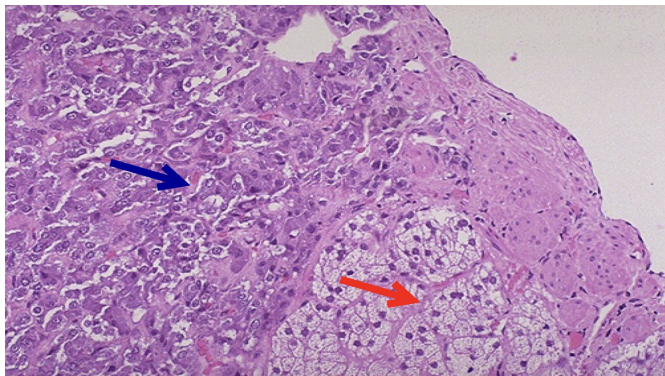
- Single partly pale and partly hemorrhagic adrenal medullary mass .
- Tumor color is grey-tan

Is this tumor medullary or cortical ?  
Cortical = yellow  
Medullary = red

### Arrow shows:

Small remnant of remaining adrenal at the lower right  
yellow cortex stretched around the tumor

## Histology:



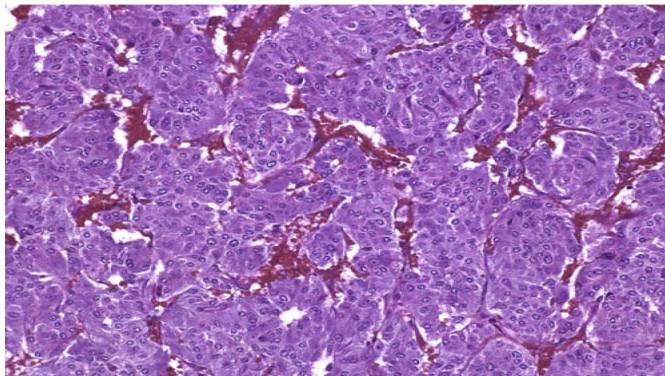
Pheochromocytoma - LPF

**Red Arrow at the lower center right shows:**

Residual adrenal cortical tissue

**Blue Arrow (above and to the left) shows:**

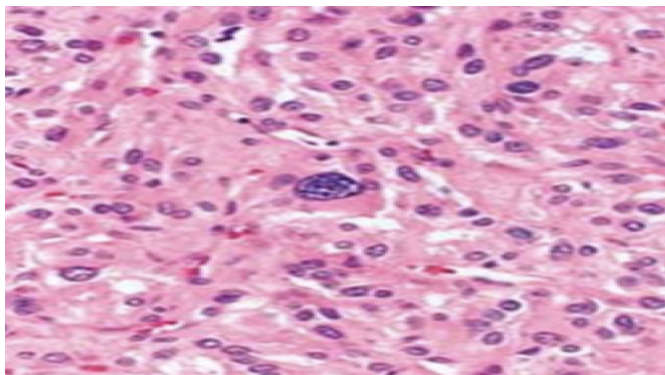
Darker cells of the pheochromocytoma



Pheochromocytoma - LPF

**It shows:**

- Circular balls of cells with trabecular areas.
- Numerous blood vessels between the tumor cells



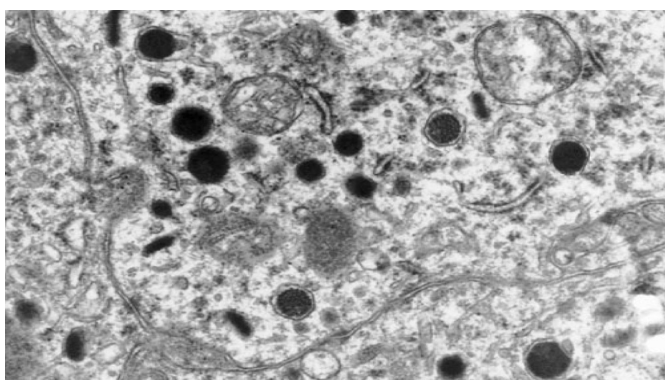
Pheochromocytoma - HPF

**It shows:**

- Cells with glandular nuclear chromatin.

**Near the center of the picture:**

- Presence of a large polymorphic cell.



Pheochromocytoma - Electron Microscopy

**The neoplastic cells contain:**

- Variable numbers of membrane-bound electron-dense neurosecretory granules.

**The granules appear as:**

- Small black round objects in the cytoplasm of the cell. These granules contain the catecholamines.
- The cell nucleus is at the upper left.



# Case 7: Cushing Syndrome



- A child with Cushing syndrome as a result of Long-term corticosteroids treatment.
- Note the **classical Moon face appearance**



- A patient with Cushing syndrome.
- Note the:**
- **Truncal obesity\***
  - **Abdominal purple striae\***

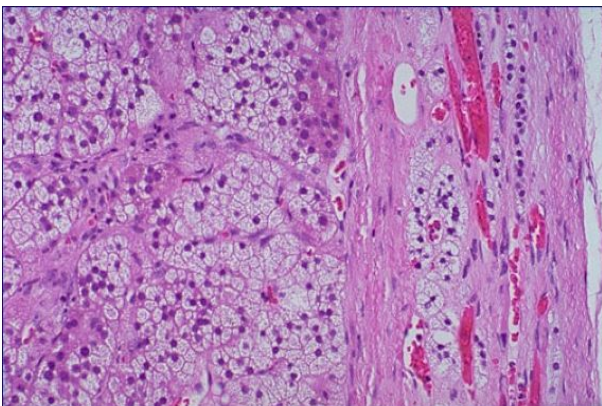
## Gross - Cushing syndrome with Cortical Adenoma:



- This adrenal gland, removed surgically from a patient with Cushing syndrome, shows:**
- Cortical well encapsulated lesion surrounded by atrophic adrenal gland.

Is this tumor medullary or cortical ?  
Cortical =yellow  
Medullary=red

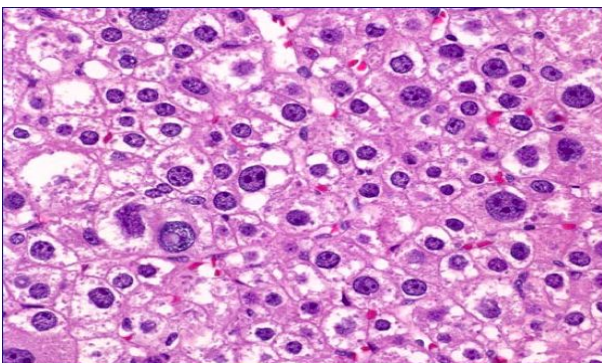
## Histology-Cortical Adenoma:



### Microscopically:

- The adrenal cortical adenoma at the left resembles normal adrenal zona fasciculata.
- The capsule of this benign neoplasm is at the right.
- There may be minimal cellular pleomorphism within adenomas.

**Malignant transformation: Large weight of the lesion (more than 300 g), Cellular anaplasia and No Capsule or invasion of the capsule.**



- Hyperchromatic and enlarged nuclei.
- Prominent nucleoli.
- Both eosinophilic and clear cytoplasm of neoplastic cells.

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