

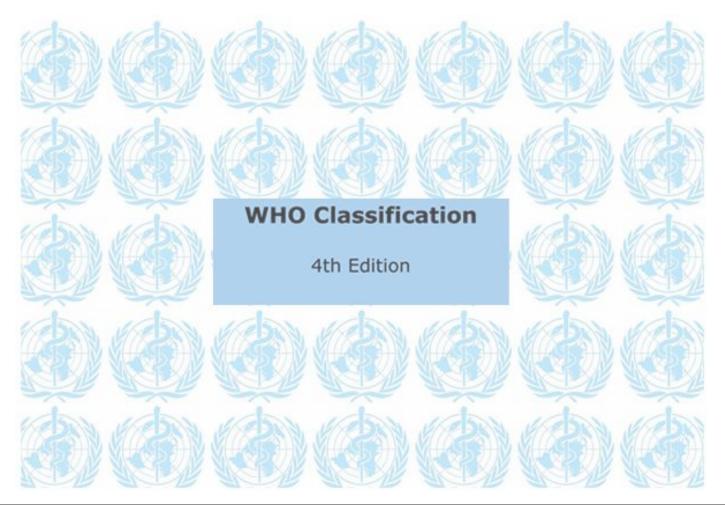
"Low-grade B-cell NHL"







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Principles of the WHO Classification

- Lineage is the starting point of disease definition
 ✓ B, T, NK
- Each disease is a distintict entity based on a constellation of clinical and laboratory features
 - ✓ Morphology
 - Immunophenotype
 - Genetic features
 - Clinical presentation
- Site of involvement is often a signpost for important biological distinctions
- Distinguishes between grade and aggressiveness within the same diseae







Principles of the WHO Classification

•The WHO classification does not attempt to stratify lymphomas according to "grade" either histological or clinical.

 Low cytological grade does not necessarily translate into indolent clinical behaviour

> -Mantle Cell Lymphoma -Angioimmunoblastic T-cell Lymphoma

•Lymphomas have within them a spectrum of histologic grade and clinical behavior

Follicular lymphoma (G1-3) CLL and Richters Transformation Mantle cell lymphoma (Classic vs Blastic)







WHO classification 2008

MATURE B-CELL NEOPLASMS

| Chronic lymphocytic leukaemia/ small lymphocytic lymphoma | 9823/3 |
|--|--------|
| B-cell prolymphocytic leukaemia | 9833/3 |
| | |
| Splenic marginal zone lymphoma | 9689/3 |
| Hairy cell leukaemia | 9940/3 |
| Splenic lymphoma/laukaemia, unclassillable | 9591/3 |
| Splenic diffuse red pulp small B-cell lymphoma | 9591/3 |
| Hairy cell leukaemia-variant | 9591/3 |
| Lymphoplasmacytic lymphoma | 9671/3 |
| Waldenström's macroglobulinemia | 9761/3 |
| Heavy chain diseases | 9762/3 |
| Alpha heavy chain disease | 9762/3 |
| Gamma heavy chain disease | 9762/3 |
| Mu heavy chain disease | 9762/3 |
| Plasma cell myeloma | 9732/3 |
| Solitary plasmacytoma of bone | 9731/3 |
| Extraosseous plasmacyloma | 9734/3 |

| Follicular lymphoma | 9690/3 |
|---|--------|
| Paediatric follicular lymphoma | 9690/3 |
| Primary cutaneous follicle centre lymphoma | 9597/3 |
| Mantle cell lymphoma | 9673/3 |
| Diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (DLBCL), NOS | 9680/3 |
| T-cell/histiocyle rich large B-cell lymphoma | 9688/3 |
| Primary DLBCL of the CNS | 9680/3 |
| Primary cutaneous DLBCL, leg type | 9680/3 |
| EBV positive DLBCL of the elderly | 9680/3 |
| DLBCL associated with chronic inflammation | 9680/3 |
| Lymphomatoid granulomatosis | 9766/1 |
| Primary mediastinal (thymic) large | |
| B-cell lymphoma | 9679/3 |
| Intravascular large B-cell lymphoma | 9712/3 |
| ALK positive DLBCL | 9737/3 |
| Plasmablastic lymphoma | 9735/3 |
| Large B-cell lymphoma arising in HHV8- associated multicentric Castleman disease | 9738/3 |
| Primary effusion lymphoma | 9678/3 |





"Low grade" B-cell non-Hodgkin Lymphoma

- Chronic lymphocytic leukemia/small lymphocytic leukemia
- Follicular lymphoma
- Mantle cell lymphoma
- Marginal cell lymphoma
- Lymphoplasmacytic lymphoma
- Hairy cell leukemia



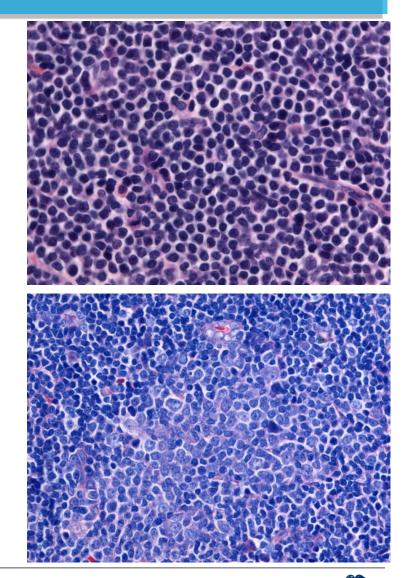




Chronic lymphocytic Leukemia/Small lymphocytic lymphoma

Definition:

- Monomorphic small, round to slightly irregular B-cells
- Involved PB, BM, LN, spleen
- Proliferation centers composed of prolymphocytes and paraimmunoblasts
- <u>></u>5x10⁹/L monoclonal lymphocytes in PB (CLL)
- <5x10⁹/L monoclonal B-cell lymphocytosis (MBL)
- Non-leukemic manifestations with tissue involvement, small lymphocytic lymphoma (SLL)



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Monoclonal B-cell lymphocytosis

- Healthy individuals with monoclonal expansion of B-cells
- Phenotype of CLL (CD20+CD23+CD5+)
- $<5x10^9/L$ (To distinguish from Rai Stage 0 CLL)
- The absence of palpable lymphadenopathy and /or organomegaly (to distinguish from SLL)
- 3.5% > 40 years, 12% > 50 years, and 50-75% > 90 years
- The risk to develop CLL is 1-2% per year







Chronic lymphocytic Leukemia/Small lymphocytic lymphoma

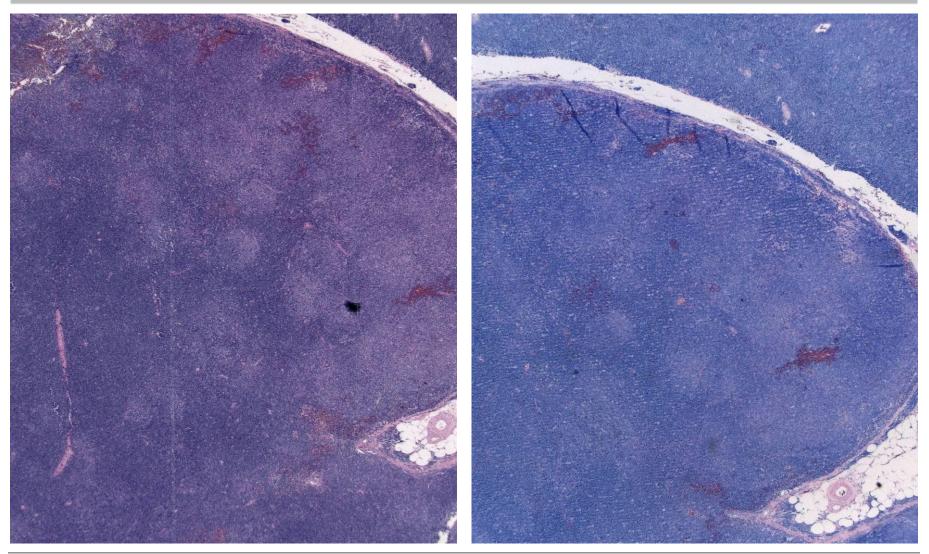
- Epidemiology:
- CLL is the most common leukemia of adults
- Median age of diagnosis is 65 years
- Male : Female ratio 1.5 2.1
- In biopsies 6.7% of all NHL
- PB and BM are usual involved
- Clincal features:
- Most patients are asymptomatic
- Some present with hemolytic anemia, fatigue





Müller-Hermelink, WHO 2008

Chronic lymphocytic leukemia. Morphology

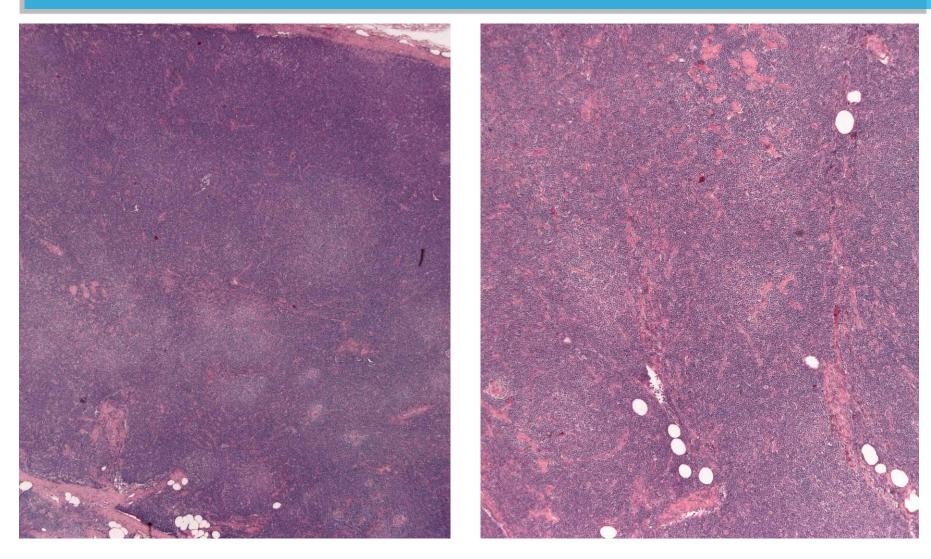








Chronic lymphocytic leukemia. Morphology

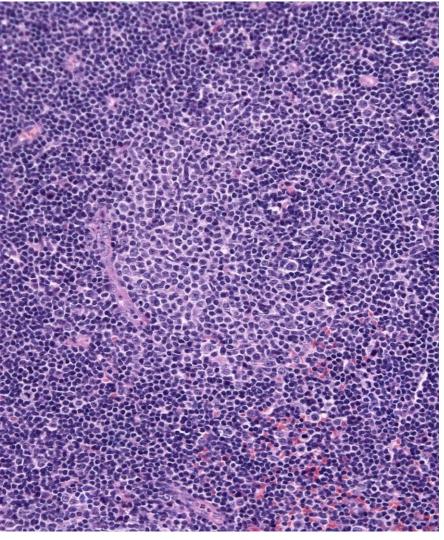




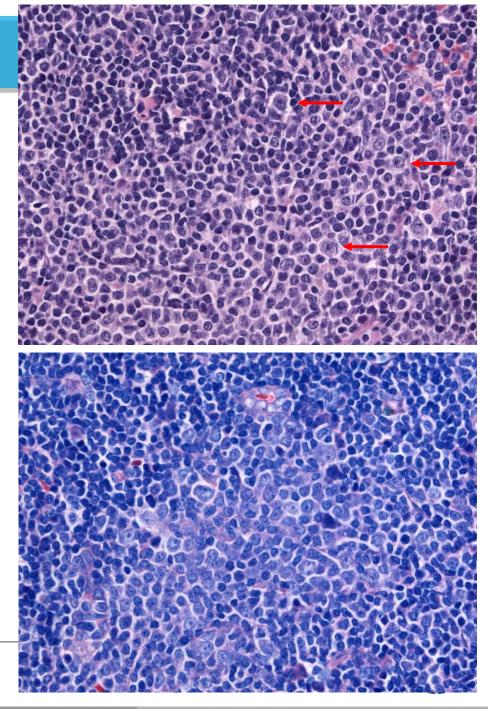




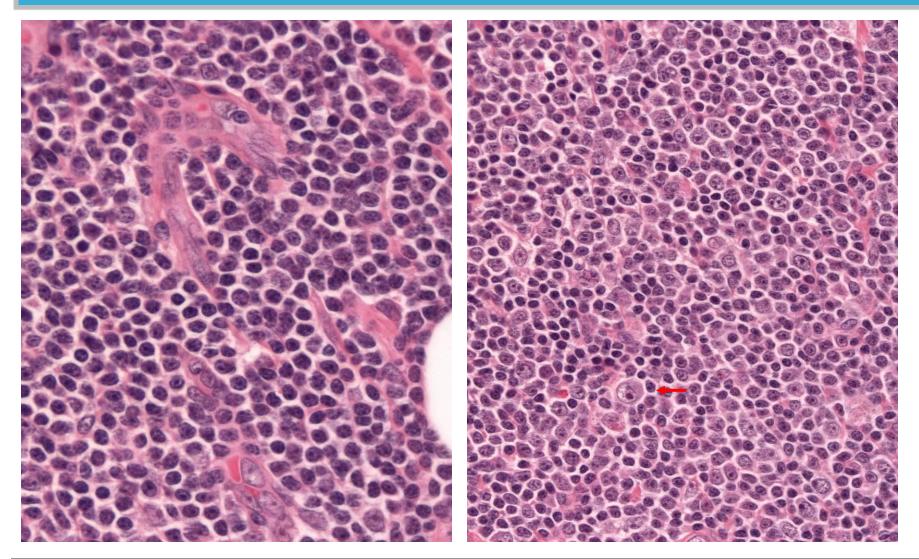
Proliferation centers







Chronic lymphocytic leukemia. Morphology



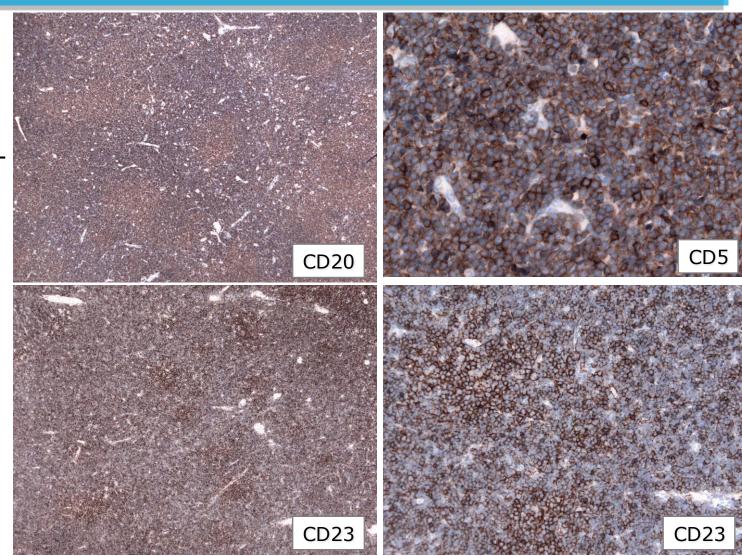






Chronic lymphocytic leukemia - Immunophenotype

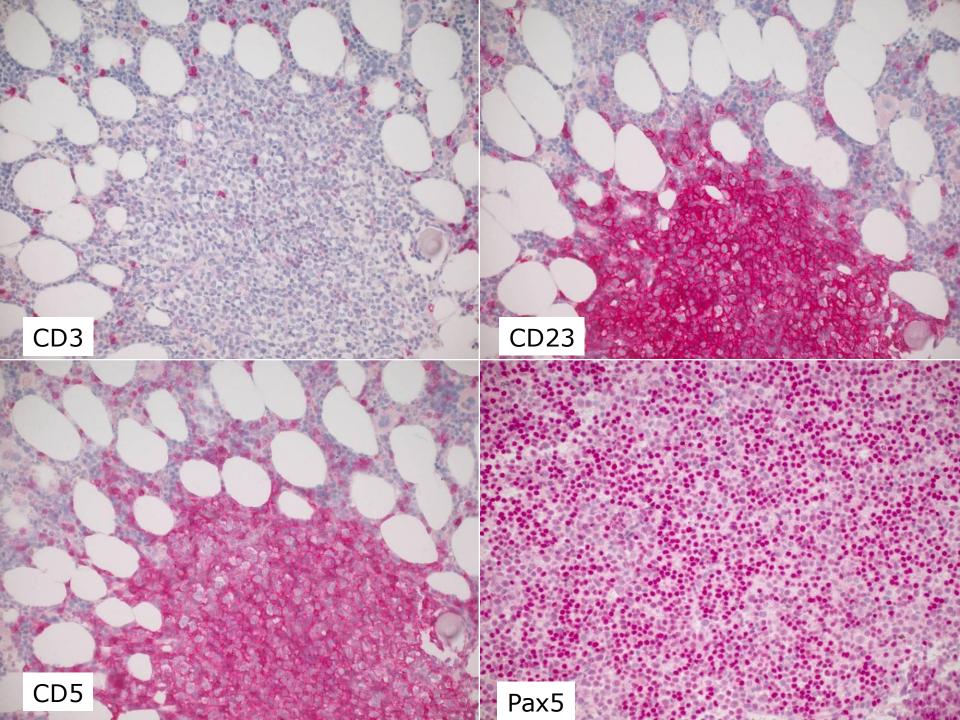
- Phenotype:
- IgM+, IgD+
- CD20+++
- CD22++
- CD23+
- CD5 +
- CD10-
- Cyclin D1-*



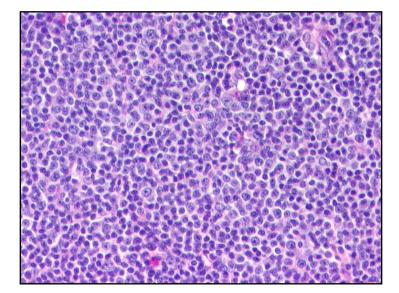


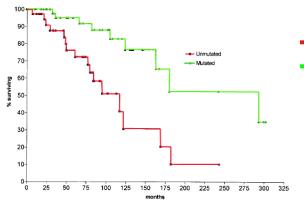






Genetic findings in CLL/SLL

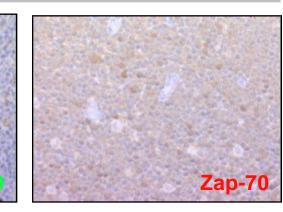


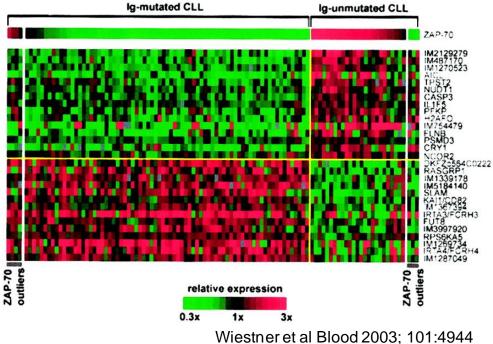


Hamblin et al Blood 1999;94:1848









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Cytogenetic abnormalities and oncogenes

| Aberration | Mutated VH 44% | Unmutated VH 56% |
|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Clonal aberrations | 80% | 84% |
| 13q deletion* | 65% | 48% |
| Isolated 13q del* | 50% | 20% |
| Trisomy 12 | 15% | 19% |
| 11q deletion* (ATM) | 4% | 27% |
| 17p deletion* (p53) | 3% | 10% |
| 17p or 11q del* | 7 | 35% |

13q14.3: miR-16.1 and miR-15a

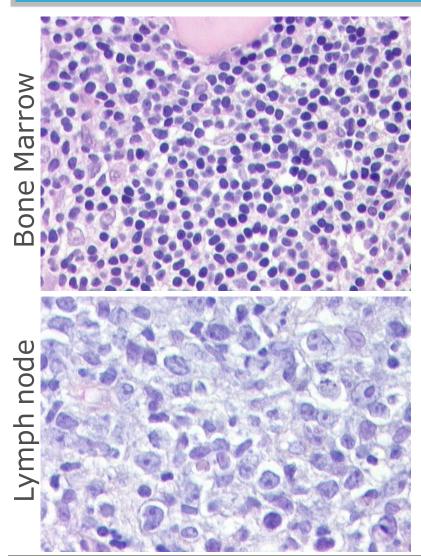
Müller-Hermelink, WHO 2008







Progression and Transformation of CLL



Classical Richter's syndrome: Diffuse large B-cell lymphoma, frequently immunoblastic morphology

- Usually poor prognosis
- 2-8% of CLL
- 70% unmutated CLL
- p53

Paraimmunoblastic transformation or Tumor forming CLL

Extremely rare

Classical Hodgkin's disease, frequently EBV+

- T-cell dominated, mixed background
- <1% of CLL

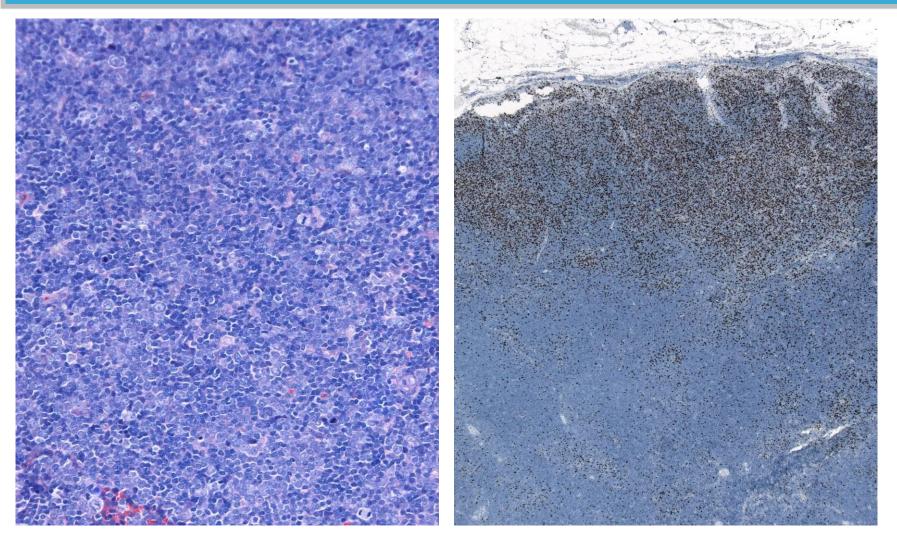
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Tumor forming CLL





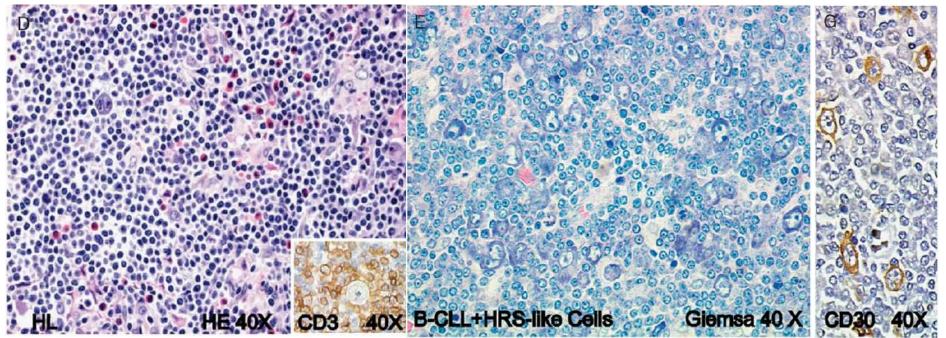




Progression and Transformation of CLL

Hodgkin Transformation

CLL with R-S-like cells



EBV might be positive or negative Clonally unrelated are EBV+



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"Nodal" monoclonal B-cell lymphocytosis

Original Articles

Reassessment of small lymphocytic lymphoma in the era of monoclonal B-cell lymphocytosis

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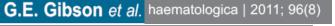
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Conclusions

Our findings suggest that biopsies containing chronic lymphocytic leukemia-type cells, but lacking proliferation centers and with non-enlarged or only slightly enlarged lymph nodes on imaging, represent a very indolent disease that may best be considered a tissue equivalent of monoclonal B-cell lymphocytosis rather than overt small lymphocytic lymphoma. We propose that such cases be designated as *tissue involvement by chronic lymphocytic leukemia/small lymphocytic lymp*







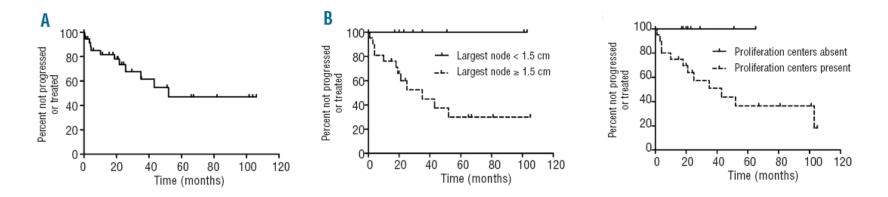


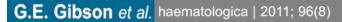
"Nodal" monoclonal B-cell lymphocytosis

Table 3. Proposed classification scheme for CLL/SLL cells in blood and tissues.

| | Peripheral blood monoclonal B-cell count | Biopsy-proven tissue infiltrate of cells with CLL phenotype | Proliferation centers | Lymphadenopathy |
|---|--|---|--------------------------|---|
| Chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL)* | ≥5×10%L | Present or Absent | Present or Absent | Present or absent |
| Monoclonal B-cell lymphocytosis (MBL)* | <5×10%L | Absent | NA | No palpable lymphadenopathy or splenomegaly |
| Small lymphocytic lymphoma (SLL) | <5×10º/L | Present | Present or Absent | Enlarged lymph nodes (≥1.5 cm) on CT staging |
| Tissue involvement by CLL/SLL-like cells of uncertain significance | <5×10%/L | Present | Absent | No lymph nodes ≥1.5 cm on CT staging |

NA: not applicable. *Definitions according to the WHO 2008 classification.1





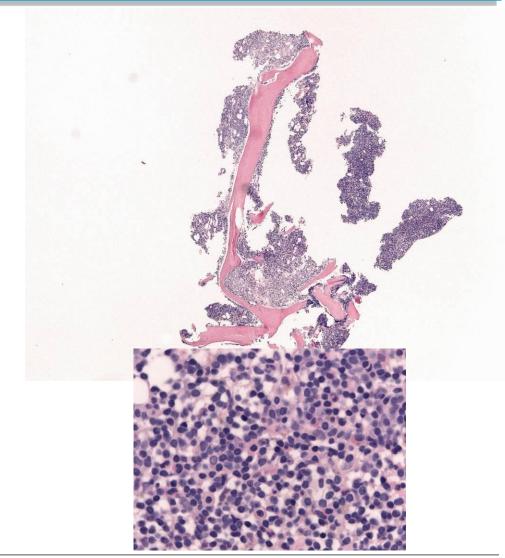






Terminology

- CLL or SLL in situ??
- nodal manifestation of monoclonal B-cell lymphocytosis??
- CLL lymphoma like-cells of uncertain significance
- Do we need the BM and PB for making a definitive diagnosis?
- Should we look for these lesions??









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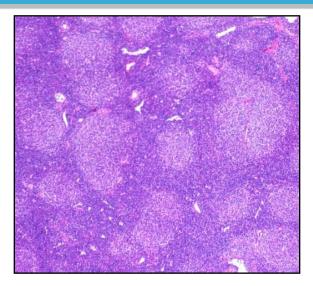






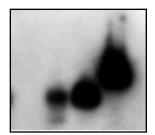


Follicular Lymphoma



Morphology: Follicular proliferation of centrocytes and centroblasts associated with FDC

Immunophenotype: CD20+, CD19+, CD79a+ IgM, IgG, IgA CD10+, Bcl-2+, BCL-6+



Genetics: JH/BCL-2 rearrangement t(14;18)

Clinical: Adults, indolent course but generally incurable. Most patients present with advanced Stage disease, III/IVA



bcl-2





Follicular Lymphoma

- Epidemiology:
- FL accounts for about 20% of all lymphomas with the highest incidence in USA and Western Europe
- Less frequent in Asia and Latin America
- Median age in the 6th decade
- Male:Female ratio 1:1.7
- The BM is involved in 40-70% of the cases

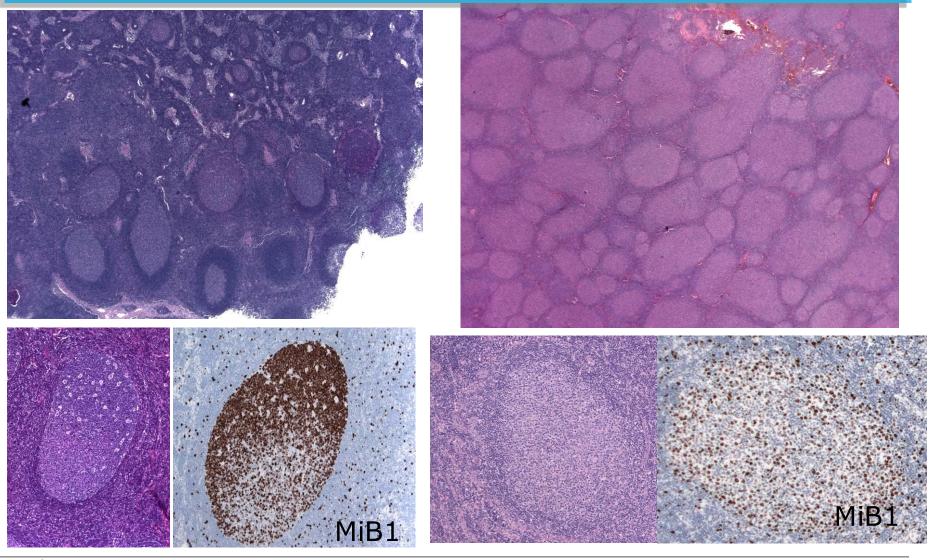






Reactive hyperplasia

Follicular Lymphoma









Historical basis of grading - empiric

- counting blasts in 10 neoplastic follicles with 40x
- grade 1 = 0-5 blasts per HPF; grade 2= 6-15 blasts per HPF; grade 3 = >15 blasts per HPF
- Most studies show lack of reproducibility among pathologists
- Most studies show difference in natural history and overall survival among different cytological grades in FL

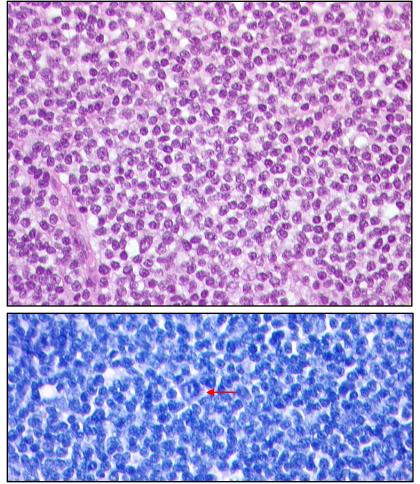
Long-term significance of grade is still controversial



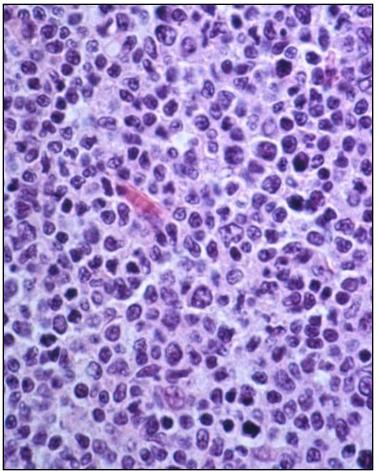




Grade 1





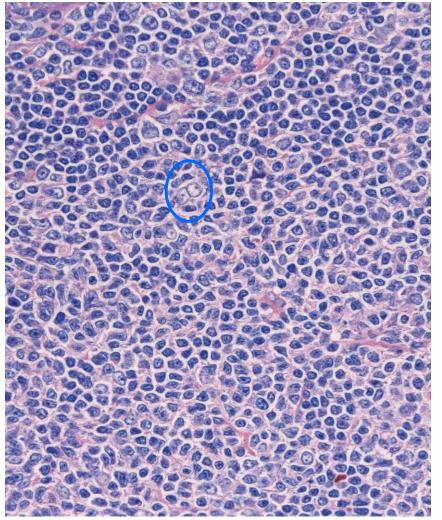




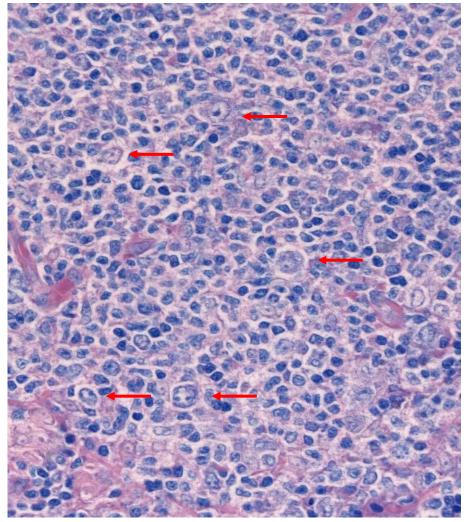




Grade 1



Grade 1-2

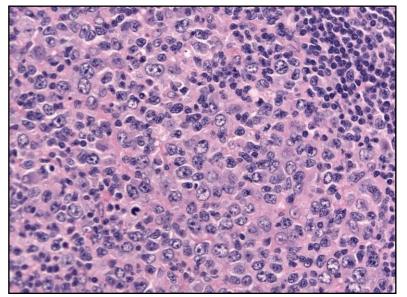






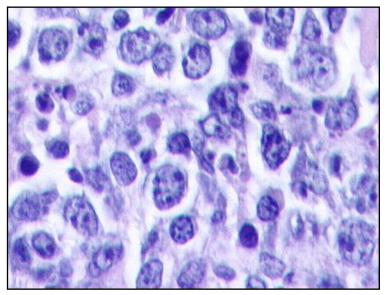


Grade 3A



15 per HPF with centrocytes
Diffuse areas uncommon
BM commonly involved
CD10+,BCL6+,BCL2+,MUM1P53 usually negative
T(14;18) common

Grade 3B



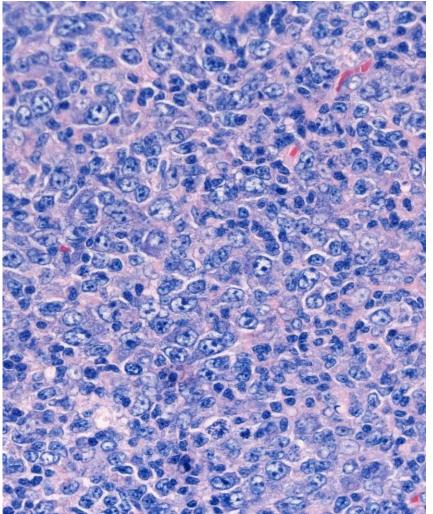
Almost exclusively centroblasts
Diffuse areas common
BM infrequently involved
CD10-,BCL6+,BCL2-/+,MUM1+/P53 + in 30% of the cases
T(14;18) uncommon



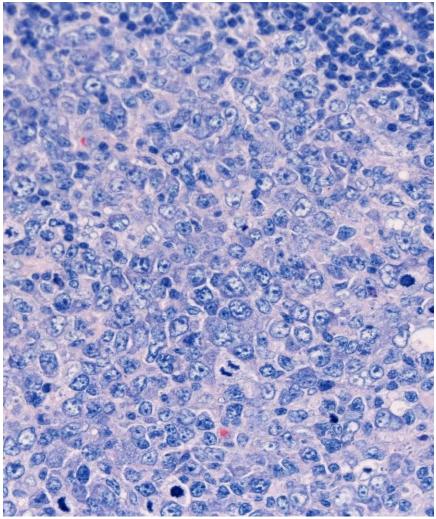




Grade 3A



Grade 3B

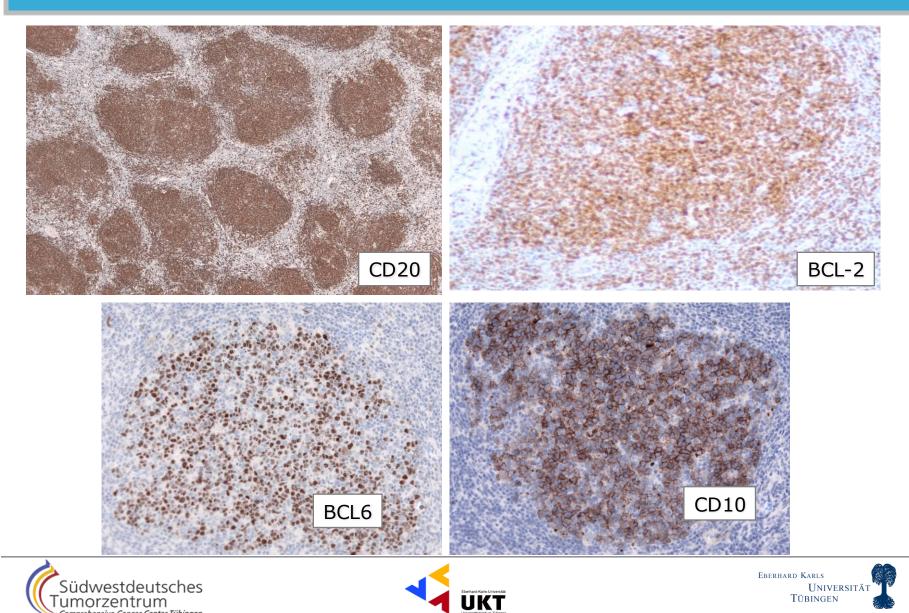






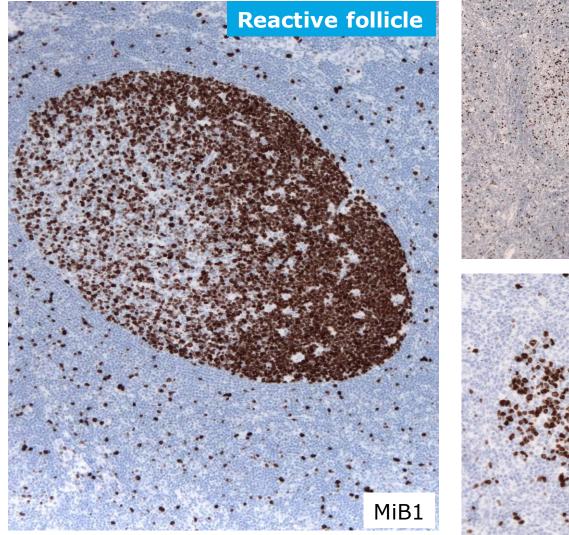


Immunophenotype of Follicular lymphoma



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Proliferation in Follicular Lymphoma



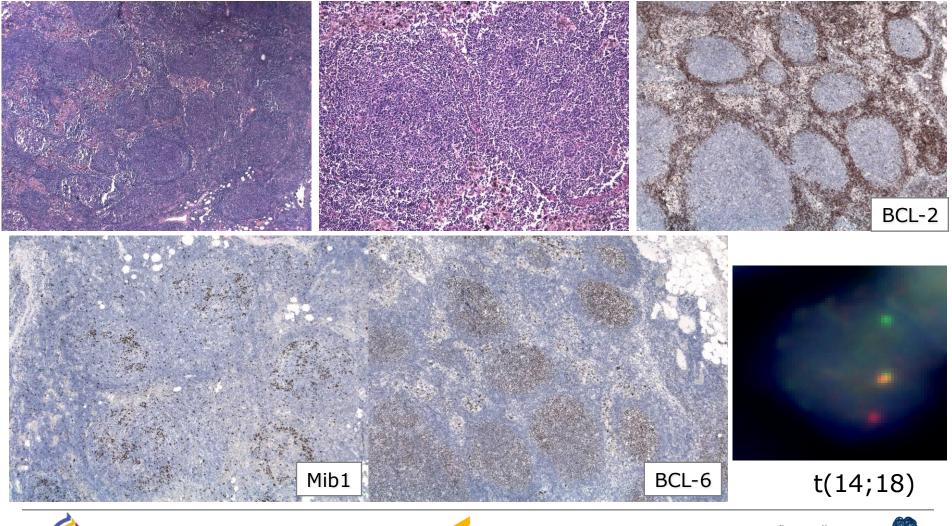








BCL2 negative Follicular lymphoma 1/2

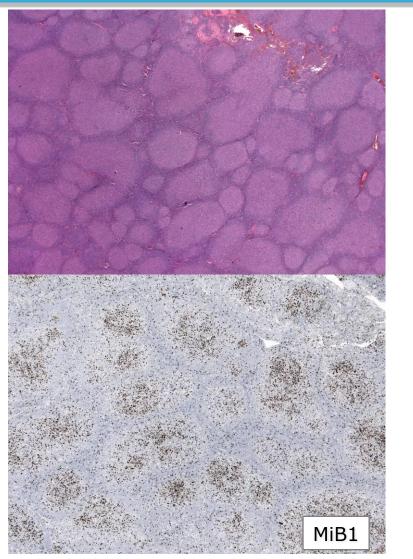


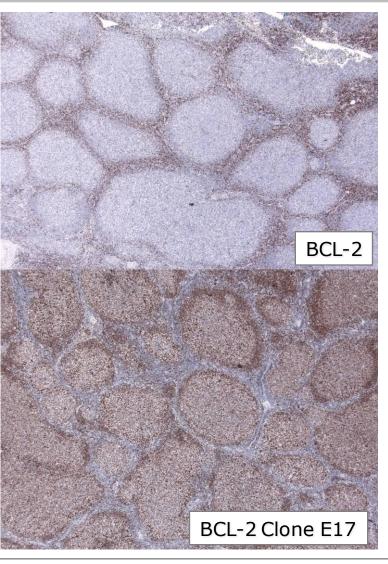






BCL2 "negative" Follicular lymphoma 1/2











BM infiltration by Follicular Lymphoma

After Rituximab therapy: >Do more than 1 B-cell marker >Be careful with reactive T-cell infiltrates



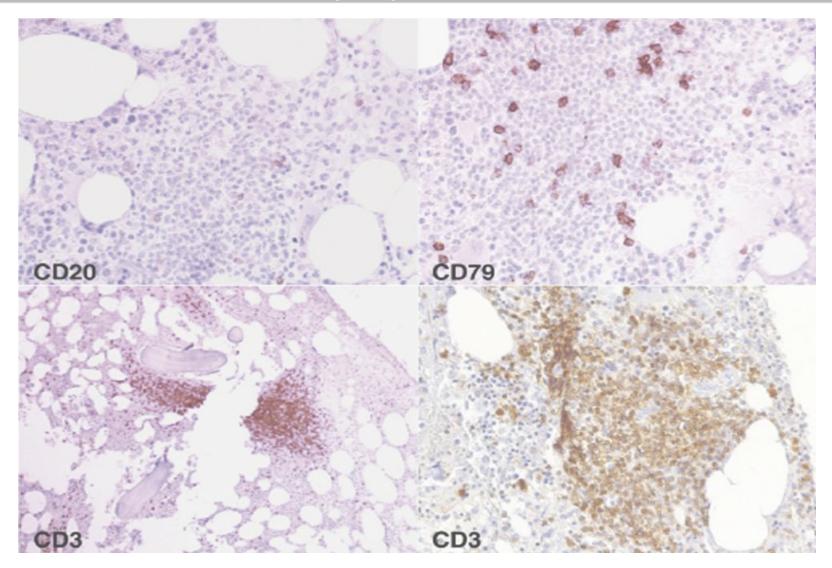
40-70% BM+





CD20

T-cell aggregates mimicking residual lymphoma in BM



Prognostic markers in follicular lymphoma

FLIPI:

Clear separation of three risk groups does not identify patients with early treatment failure does not give information on the biology of tumors

Cytologic grading system: No clinical difference between grade 1-2 Important to differentiate grade 3A - 3B

➢Proliferation:

Ki-67 <20% G1-2; >20% G3

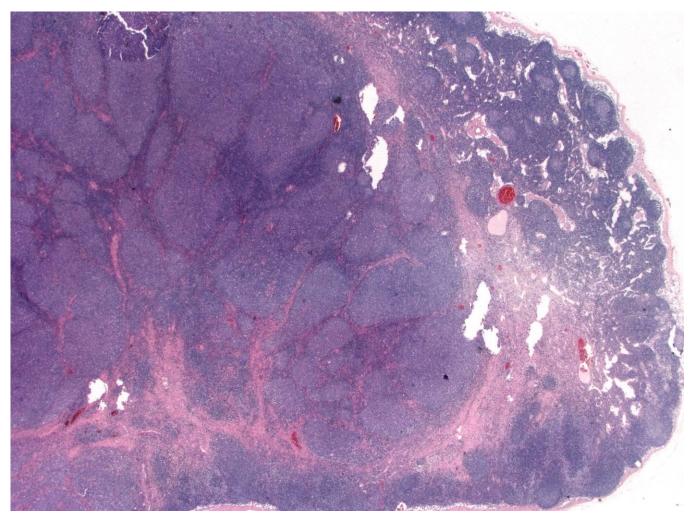
Bystander cell within the tumor: Macrophage content as prognostic marker







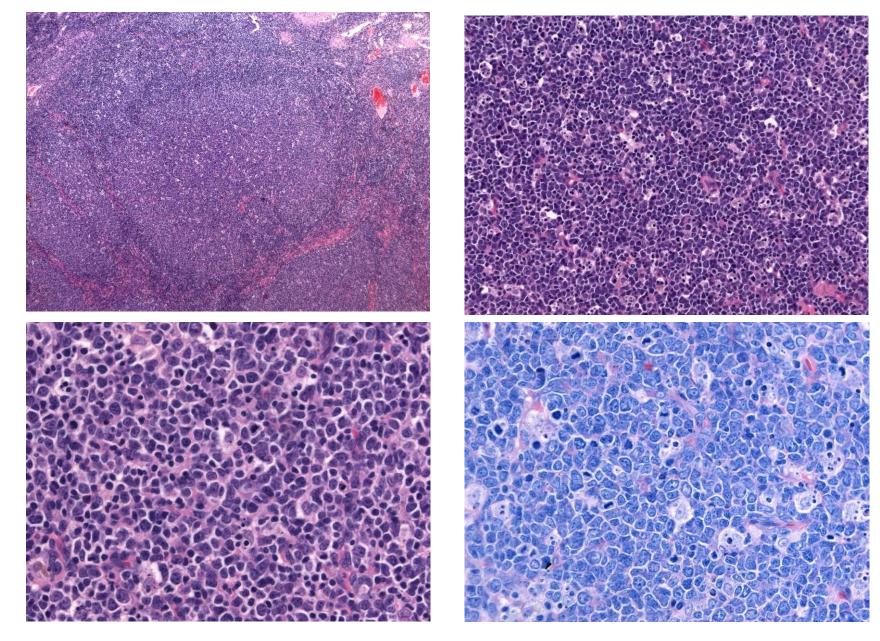
 A 16 year-old boy presents with an enlarge cervical lymph node without additonal symptoms







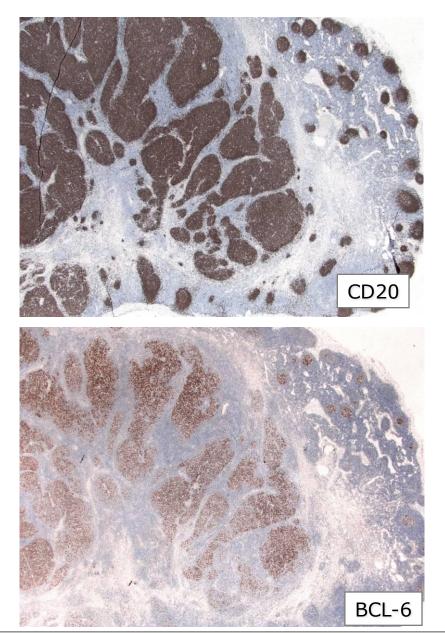


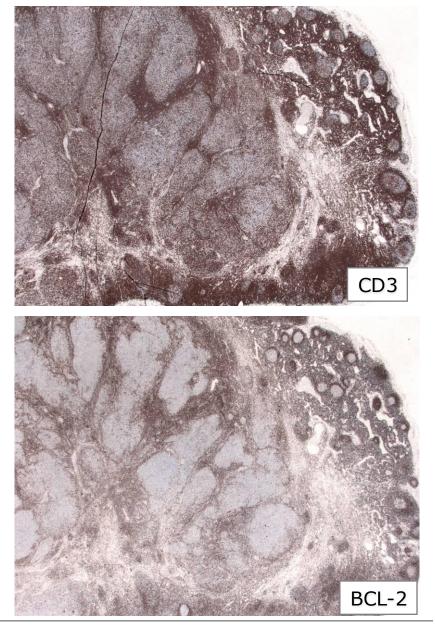








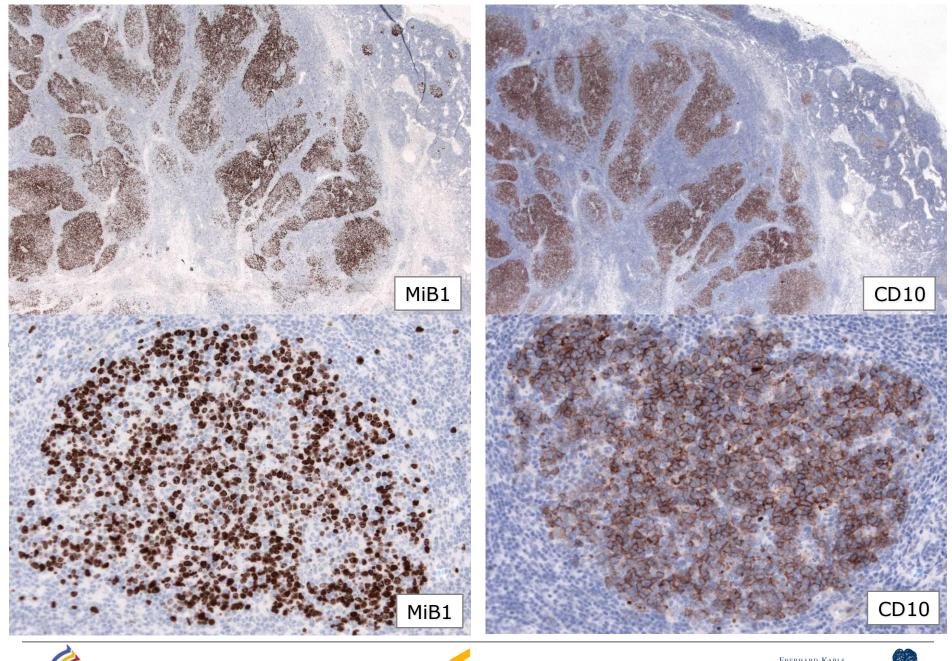










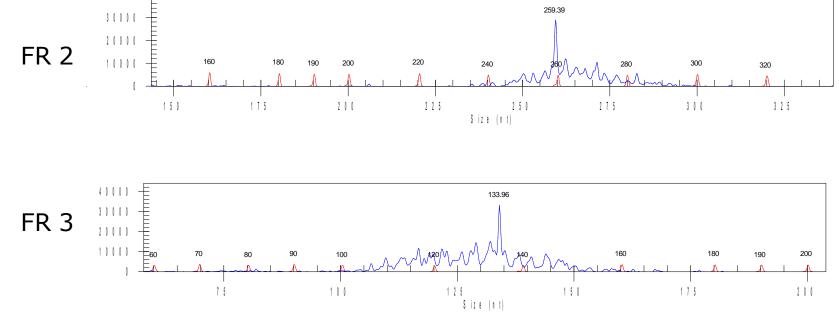








Pediatric Follicular Lymphoma



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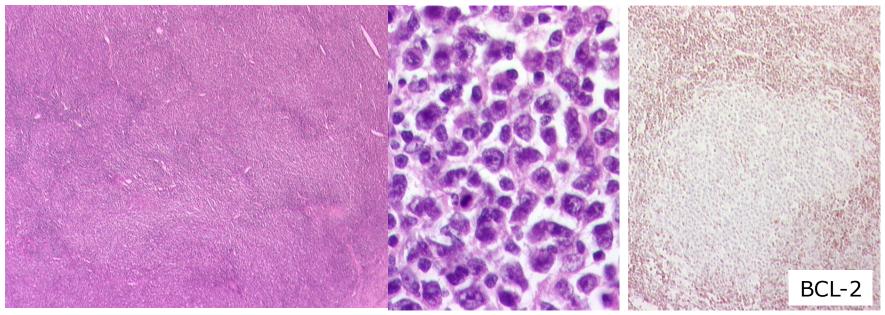






Pediatric Follicular lymphoma

A 22 year-old boy presented with intraparotideal lymph node Follicular lymphoma grade 3B



Usually BCL2 – t(14;18) neg. MUM1 often positive CD10 negative

BCL6 chromosomal alterations *MYC* chromosomal alterations

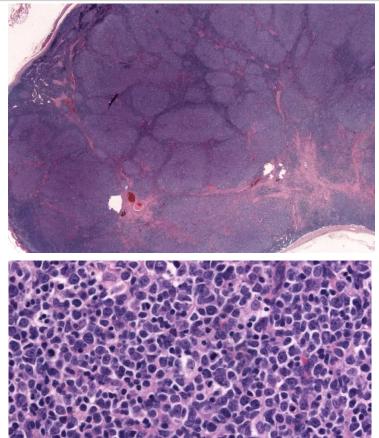






Pediatric Follicular lymphoma

- Often involves cervical lymph nodes
- Extranodal sides also often, testis
- Clinically:
 - Early stage disease
 - Predominates in male patients
- Morphologically:
 - grade 3
 - Large expansile follicules
- Molecular: BCL2 negative, no t(14;18)









In situ localization of follicular lymphoma: description and analysis by laser capture microdissection (Blood. 2002;99:3376-3382)

Peijie Cong, Mark Raffeld, Julie Teruya-Feldstein, Lynn Sorbara, Stefania Pittaluga, and Elaine S. Jaffe

- Strongly bcl-2 protein staining germinal centers in otherwise architecturally and phenotypically normal lymph nodes
- 23 cases identified in 15.000 LN Bx
 - 4/5 cases with clonal Ig gene rearrangements studied by laser microdissection
 - 6/14 with bcl-2 gene rearrangement by PCR (MBR primers)
 - 5 with synchronous FL at other site
 - 13 with further follow-up
- 3/13 with development of FL in 12 to 72 months



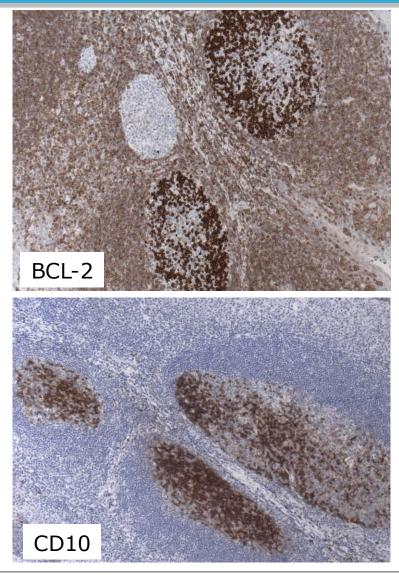




Follicular Lymphoma in situ

• Definition:

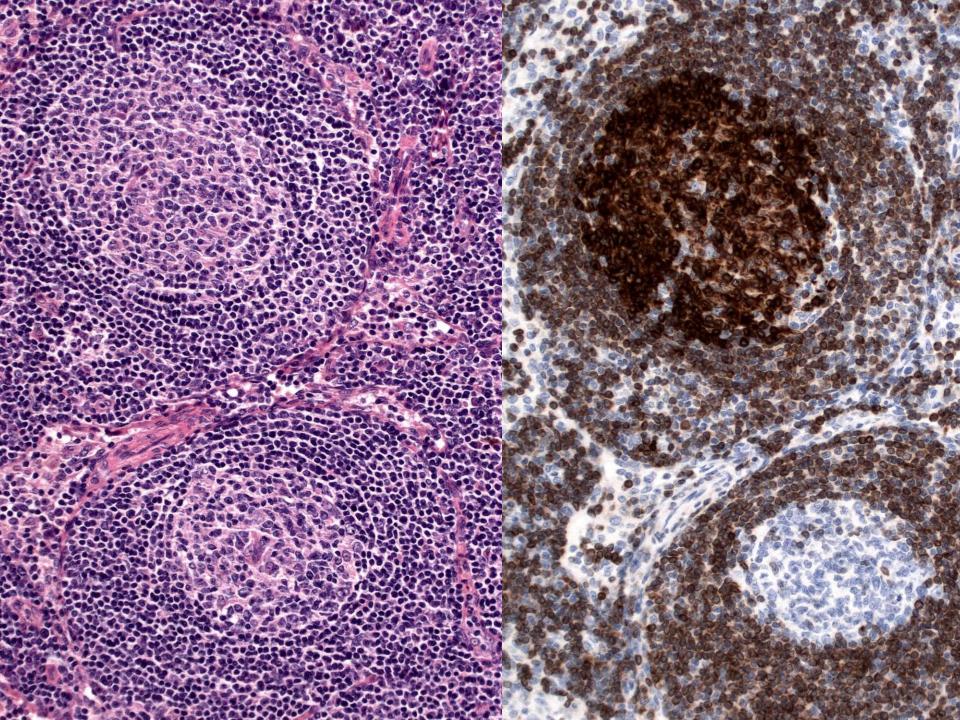
Normal LN architecture
Normal sized follicles
Well demarkated GC,
Dominance of
centrocytes
-GC cells bcl-2+++
-CD10+++,
-Ki-67 low proliferation









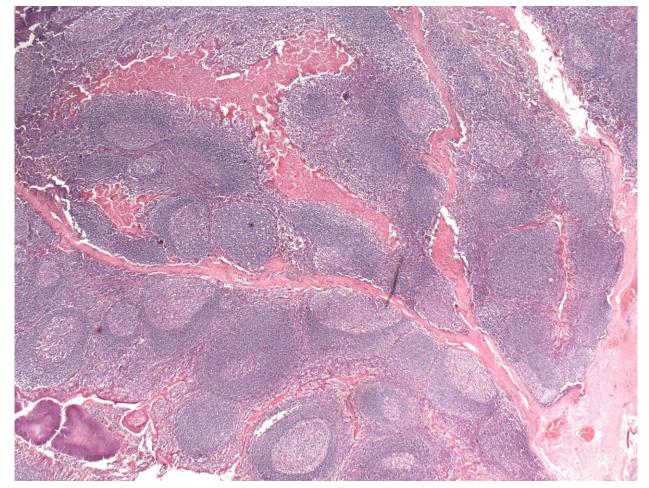


How common is FLIS in FL patients?

• 50-year-old male, 6 years previously Dx of FL grade 1/2 in LN biopsy

•3 years later recurrence, FL G1/2

•Now bilaterally enlarged tonsils

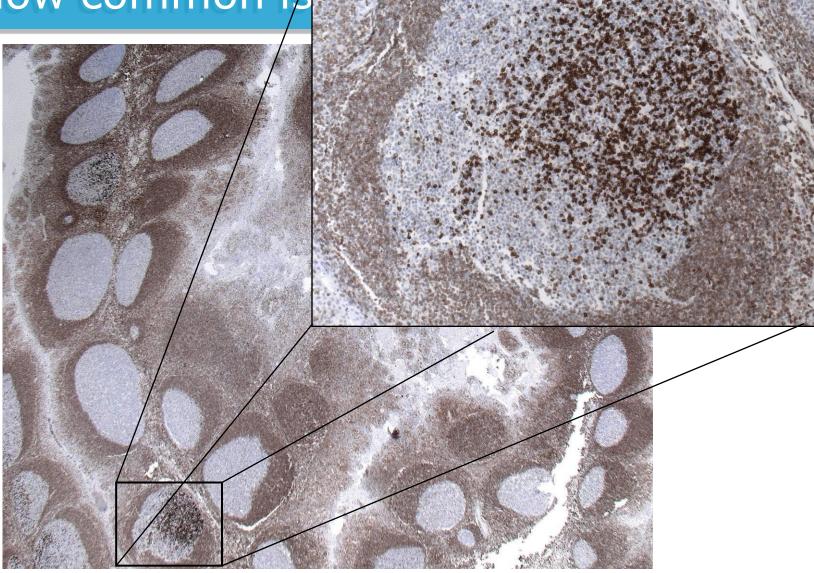








How common is









How common is FLIS?

- All reactive lymph nodes with a least one germinal center over a 3-month period stained for bcl-2
- 1294 lymph nodes from 132 patients
 - Median 61 years av. 5 LN/patient
 - 3/132 (2.4%) pats. with FLIS in 2-16 LN
 - 3/3 with break in bcl-2 locus Henopp et al, Histopathology 2011

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| Age (years)/sex | Specimen | Primary disease | Associated lymphoma | LN | LN with FLIS |
|-----------------|-------------------|---|------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| 71/male | Whipple resection | Intraductal papillary mucinous neoplasm of the pancreas with invasive adenocarcinoma | No | 7 | 4 |
| 69/male | Lobectomy | Lung cancer | No | 27 | 16 |
| 42/male | Lymphadenectomy | Lymphadenitis (relapse) | No | 4 (2007 = 1) | 2 (2007 = 1) |
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How is the progression risk of FL?

- 34 cases of FLIS, usually incidental finding
 - 40-60 y, M:F=1:1
 - Only two cases with extranodal manifestation (thyroid, jejunum)
 - 6 cases with concurrent FL (<u>3 BCL2 neg. by</u> <u>immunostaining</u>)
 - 5 cases within composite lymphoma (4 low grade B-NHL, 1 cHL)
- 17/17 tested positive for BCL2 translocation by FISH
- 1/21 patients developed manifest FL after 29 mo (median follow up 41 mo)





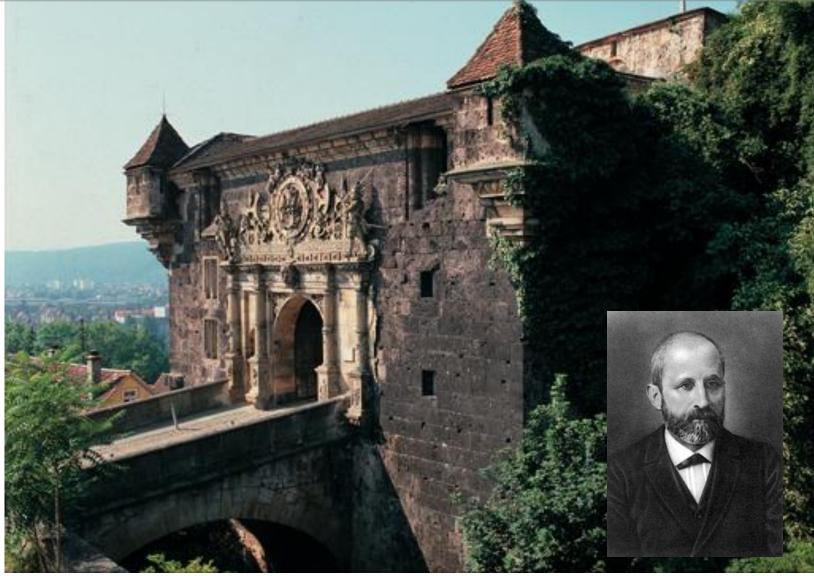


Jegalian et al, Blood 2011

| | FL partial involvement | FLBUS (FLIS) |
|---------------------------|--|---|
| Histopathology | | |
| architectural alteration | focal | no |
| germinal centers (GC) | occasionally enlarged, ill-defined | normal size, well defined borders |
| follicle mantles | focally attenuated and ill defined | well defined, normal configuration |
| cytology of GC | monotonous, mostly centrocytes | monotonous, mostly centrocytes |
| perifollicular spread | occasionally | absent |
| Distribution within LN | Affected follicles often clustered | Affected follicles widely scattered |
| | | |
| Immunohistochemistry | | |
| BCL2 | positive, variable intensity, whole GC | strongly positive, sometimes only partial GC involvement |
| CD10 | positive, occasional interfollicular tumor cells | strongly positive) restricted to |
| MIB1 | low proliferation | low proliferation |
| Clinical | | |
| manifest FL at other site | possible | FLIS may involve more than one node |



Castle Hohentübingen

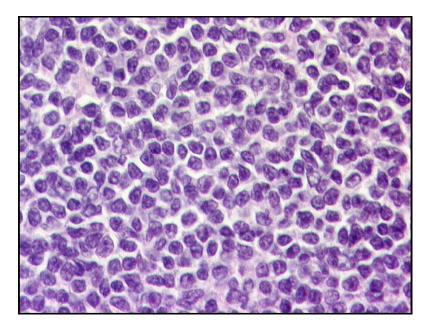


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Mantle cell lymphoma WHO classification

• Definition:

- Mantle cell lymphoma (MCL) is a B-cell neoplasm generally composed of monomorphous small to medium-sized lymphoid cells with irregular nuclei and CCND1 translocation.
- Centroblasts, paraimmunoblsts and proliferation centers are absent



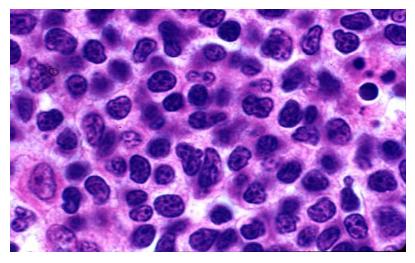
Swerdlow et al, WHO classification 2008



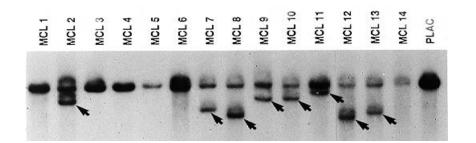


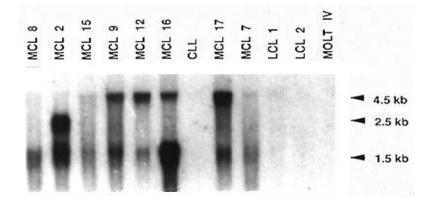


Biology of Mantle cell lymphoma

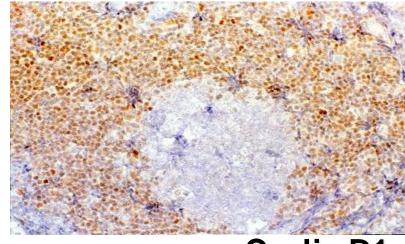


t (11;14)





Northern blot cyclin D1













Mantle cell lymphoma WHO classification

- proliferation of mature B-lymphocytes
 - Naive B-cell CD5+, IgD+
- Clinically
 - Represents 3-10% of NHL
 - Median age of 60 years
 - Predominates in male patients
 - Familial aggregation has been reported
 - Involves predominantly LN, spleen and BM
 - 30% involve the GI tract and Waldeyer's ring
 - Aggressive with poor response to conventional chemotherapy







Mantle cell lymphoma WHO classification

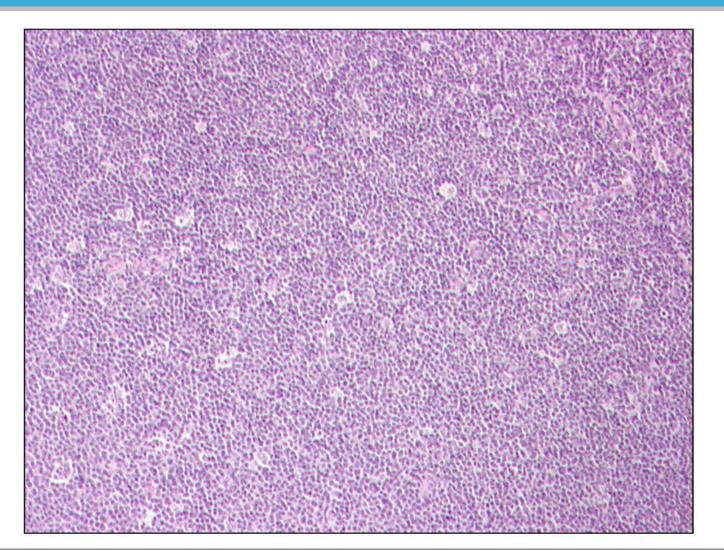
- Morphologically:
- Growth pattern:
 - Diffuse
 - Nodular (follicular lymphoma)
 - Mantle zone (marginal cell lymphoma)
 - In situ
- Cytologically
 - Classic
 - Small cell (CLL), marginal zone-like
 - Blastoid variants
 - Blastic variant (lymphoblastic lymphoma)
 - Pleomorphic (Diffuse large B-cell lymphoma)







Mantle cell lymphoma. Diffuse pattern

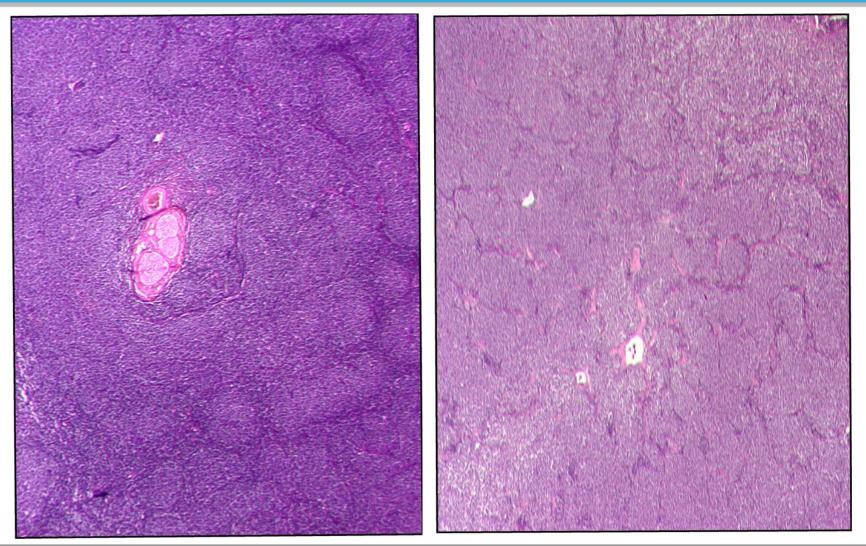








Mantle cell lymphoma. Nodular pattern

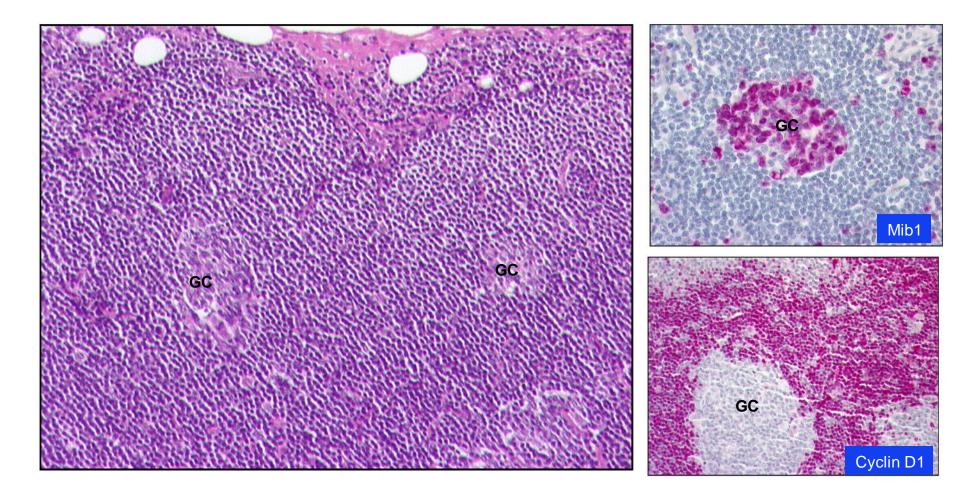








Mantle cell lymphoma. Mantle zone pattern

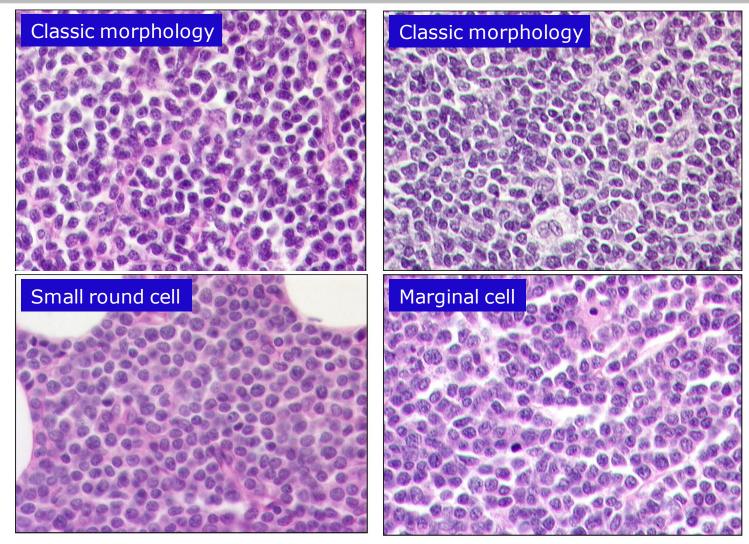








Mantle cell lymphoma. Cytology

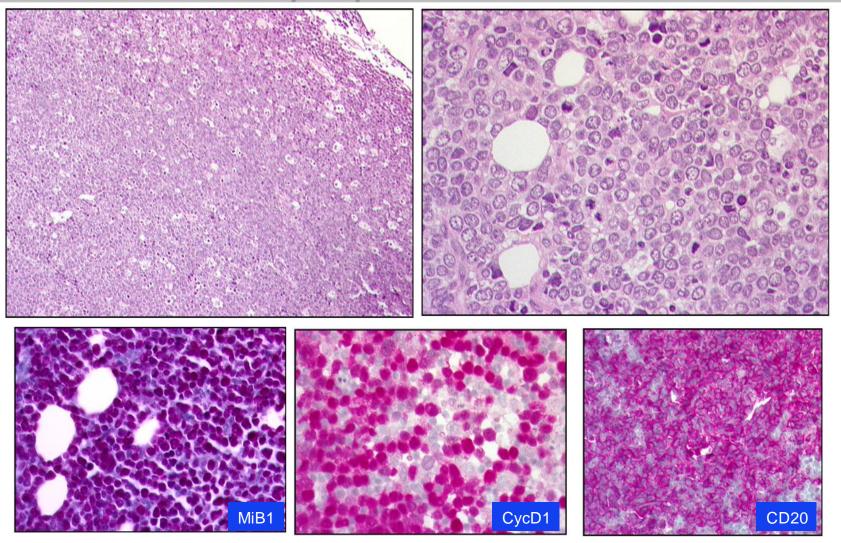








Mantle cell lymphoma. Blastic variant

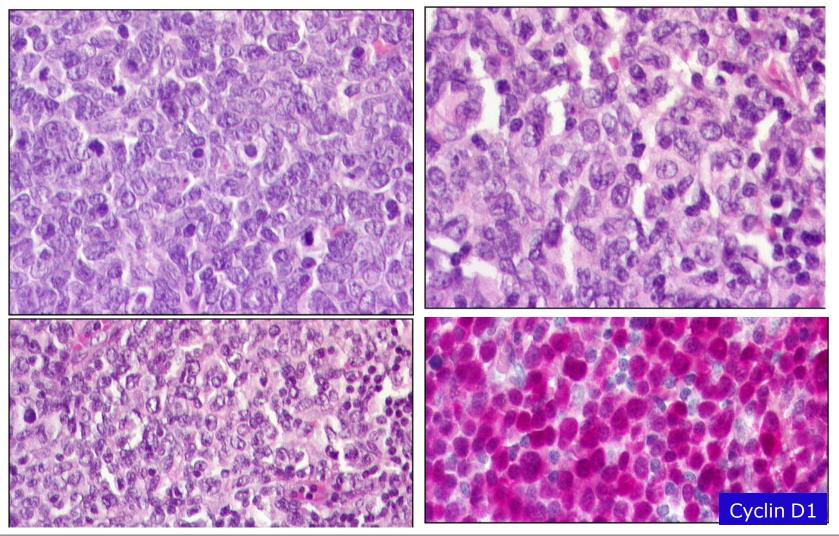








Mantle cell lymphoma. Pleomorphic variant

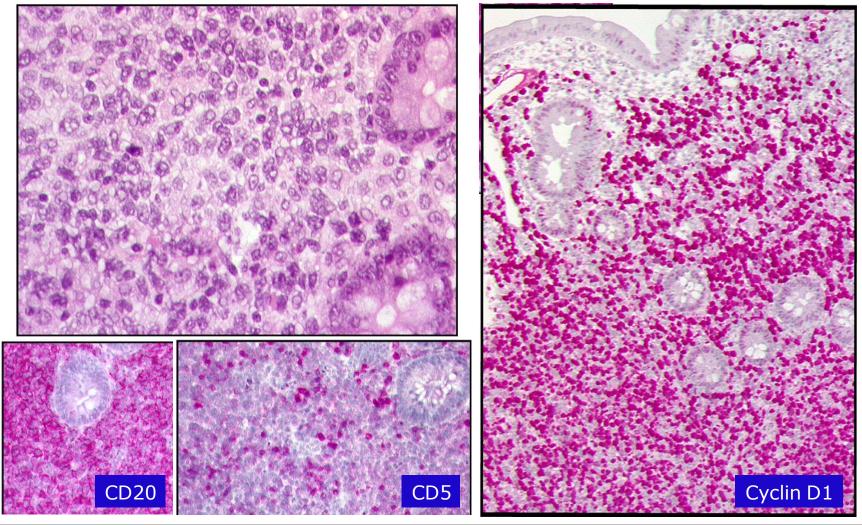








Mantle cell lymphoma: Lymphomatous polyposis



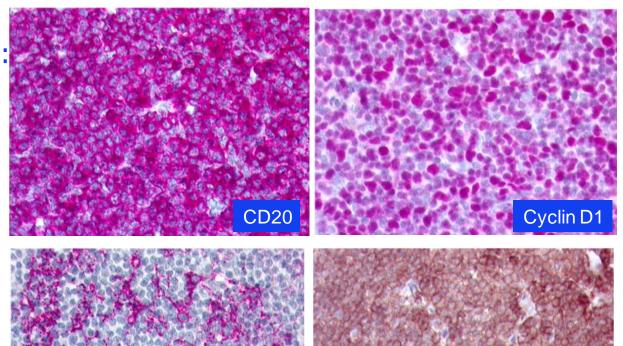






Mantle cell lymphoma

- Immunophenotype:
- IgM+, IgD+
- Cyclin D1++
- CD5 +/ -
- CD10-/+
- bcl-6 -/+
- Bcl-2++
- CD23-*



CD23



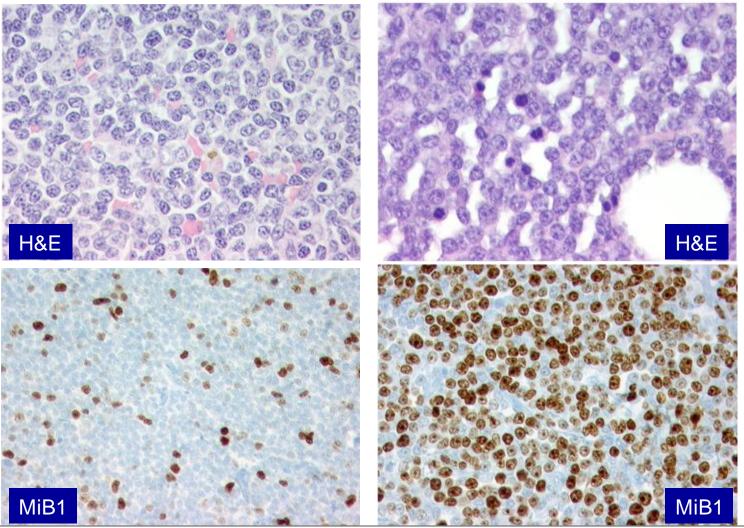




CD5

MCL - Classical type

MCL - Blastoid type

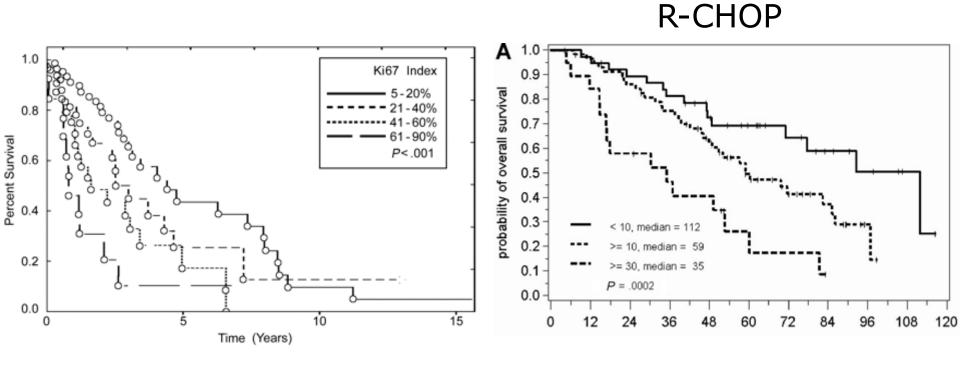








Ki-67 proliferation index in mantle cell lymphoma



Katzenberger T et al, Blood 2006,107:3407

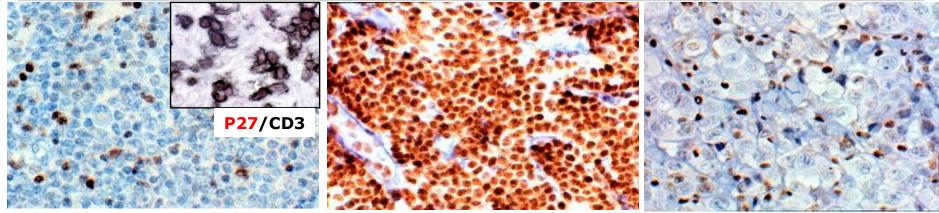
Determann et al, Blood 2008,111:2385







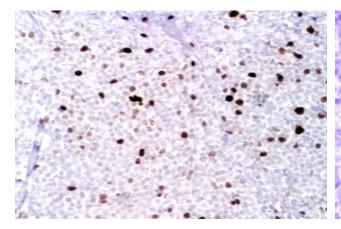
Loss of p27Kip1 in MCL

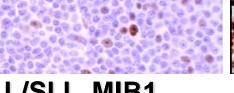


Typical MCL, p27

CLL/SLL, p27

Large B-cell lymph, p27





Large B-cell lymph, MIB





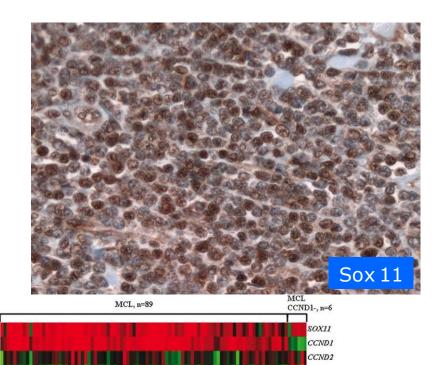
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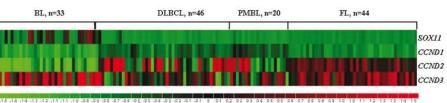


Quintanilla-Martinez, et al AJP 1998 Quintanilla-Martinez, et al Blood 2003

Sox 11 expression in Mantle cell lymphoma

- Most MCL are positive including the cases of cyclin D1 negative
 - (CycD1-,CD5+.Sox11+)
- Other "Low grade" lymphomas are negative
- Some Burkitt lymphoma, lymphoblastic lymphomas and T-prolyImphocytic leukemias are postive





Mozos A et al. Haematologica 2009;94:1555-1562

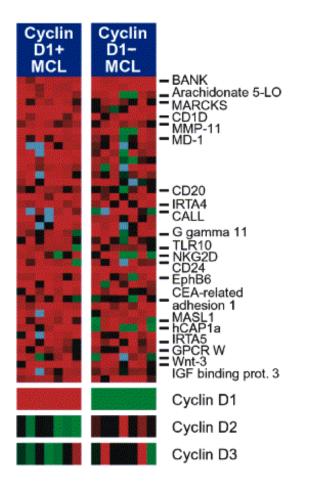




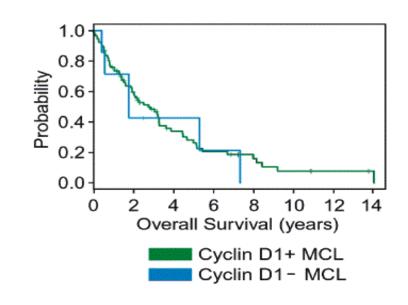


CCND3

Cyclin D1 negative MCL



- Rare cases of MCL are cyclin D1-
- Survival is similar to cyclin D1+
- Cyclin D2 or D3 may substitute



Rosenwald A et al, Cancer Cell 2003,3:185

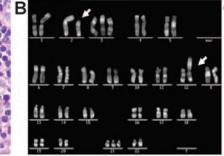


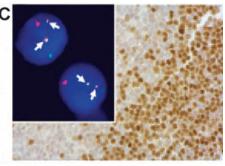




Cyclin D1 negative MCL

- Fu et al published 6 cases of Cyclin D1- MCL
 - 2 cases expressing cyclin D2 by IHC
 - 4 cases expressisng cyclin D3 by IHC
 - None of these cases showed any genetic alteration
- Gesk et al published 2 cases of "bona-fide" cyclin D2 positive MCL
 - t(2;12)(p13-p12)(*IGк;CCND2*)





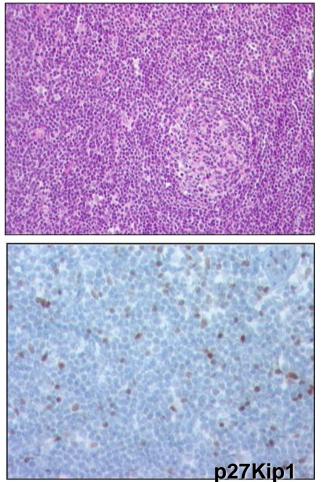
Fu K et al., Blood 2005, 106:4315 Gesk S et al., Blood 2006:108; 1109

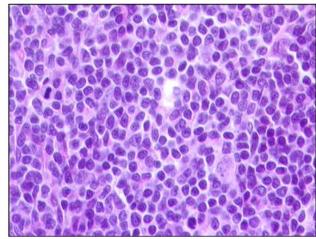


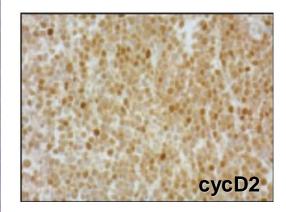


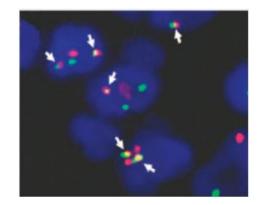


Cyclin D2 positive MCL









t(2;12)(p12-p13)

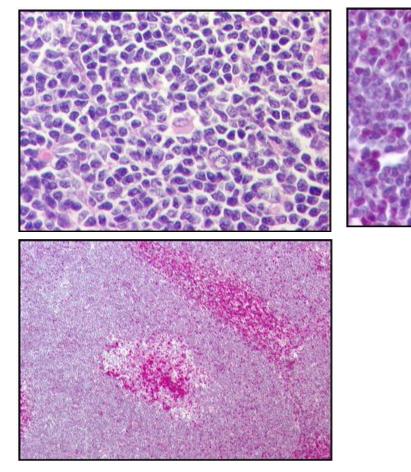
Clinical history: 70 year-old man with Stage IV disease. Immunophenotype: CD20+CD5+CD10-CD23-P27 & CyclinD1 negative







Cyclin D2 positive MCL

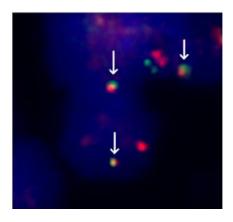


p27Kip1









Cyclin D2

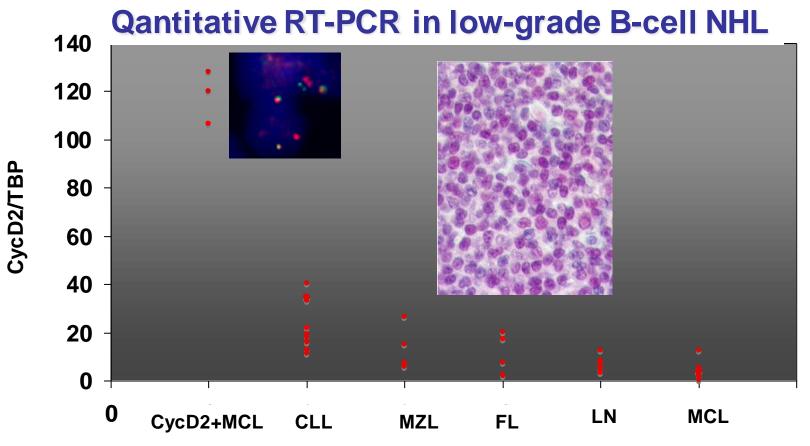
t(2;12)(p12p13)

Clinical history:

45 year-old man with Stage IV disease.

Immunophenotype: CD20+CD5+CD10-CD23-P27 & CyclinD1 negative

Cyclin D2 mRNA expression



Quintanilla-Martinez et al Haematogica, Nov 2009







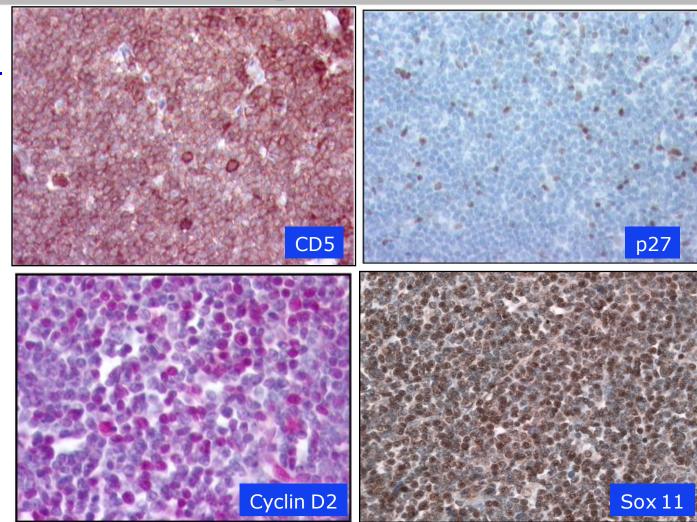
Cyclin D1 negative MCL

CD5+CycD1-Diff. Dx:

>MCL P27-Sox11+ CycD2+

CD5+MZL P27+Sox11-

>CLL P27+Sox11-CD23+









Secondary genetic events in MCL

- Mantle cell lymphoma is one of the malignant lymphoid neoplasia with the highest levels of Chromosomal alterations
 - Recurrent losses, gains and amplifications
 - Frequent tetraploid clones
 - Pleomorphic variant (80%)
 - Blastic variant (36%)
 - Classical variant (8%)

Jares et al., Nature Cancer Review 2007, 7:750





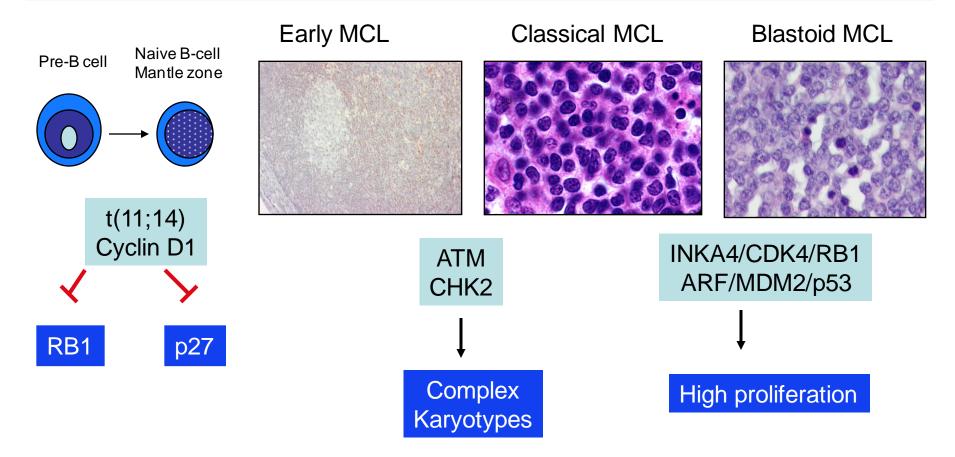


Secondary genetic events in MCL

| Chromosomal region | Candidate gene | Function |
|---------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Gains | | |
| 8q21 | MYC | Cell growth, proliferation apoptosis |
| 9q22 | SYK | Cell signaling |
| 10p11-12 | BMI1 | DNA damage response, cell cycle |
| 12q13 | CDK4 | Cell cycle |
| 18q11-q23 | BCL2 | Anti-apoptosis |
| Losses | | |
| 1p13-31 | ?? | |
| 2q13 | BIM | Pro-apoptosis |
| 9p21-p22 | CDKN2A | Cell cycle and anti-senescence |
| 11q22-q23 | ATM | DNA damage response |
| 13q11-13 & q14-34 | ?? | |
| 17p13-pter | TP53 | Cell cycle, DNA damage response |

Jares et al., Nature Cancer Review⁰2007, 7:20

Pathogenetic molecular model for the development and progression of MCL



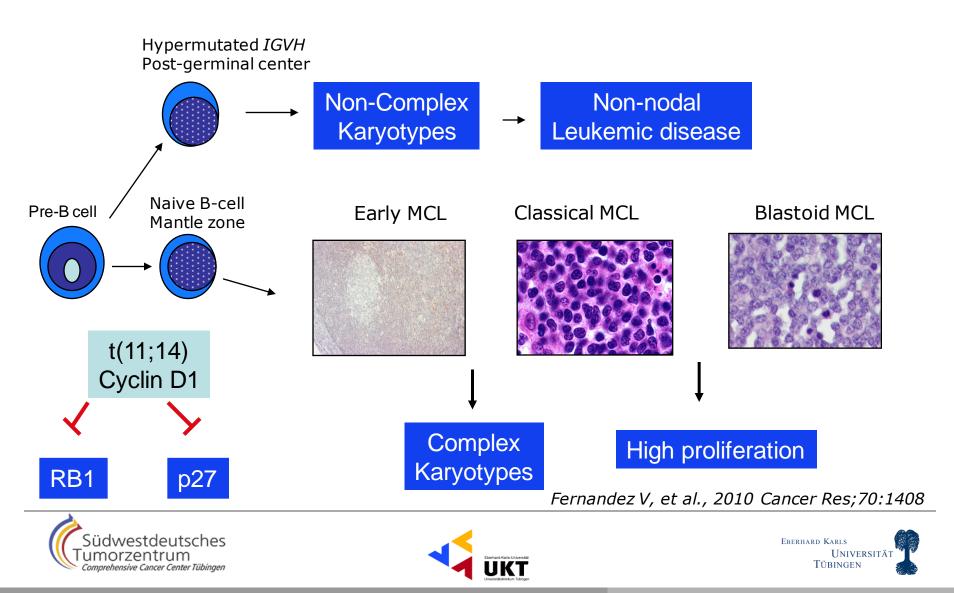
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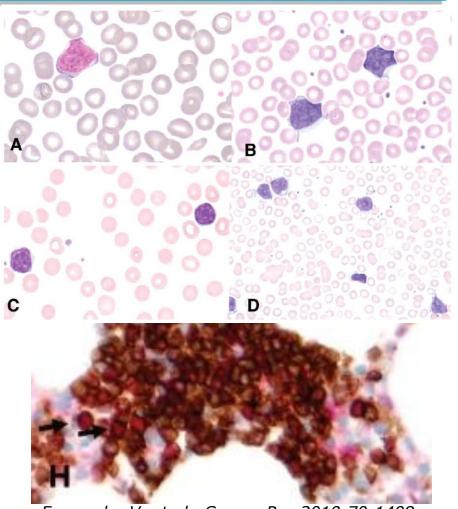


Indolent Mantle cell lymphoma



Indolent Mantle cell lymphoma

- Non-nodal leukemic disease
- Indolent clinical behaviour
- No treatment at diagnosis
- Different GEP signature
- SOX11 negative



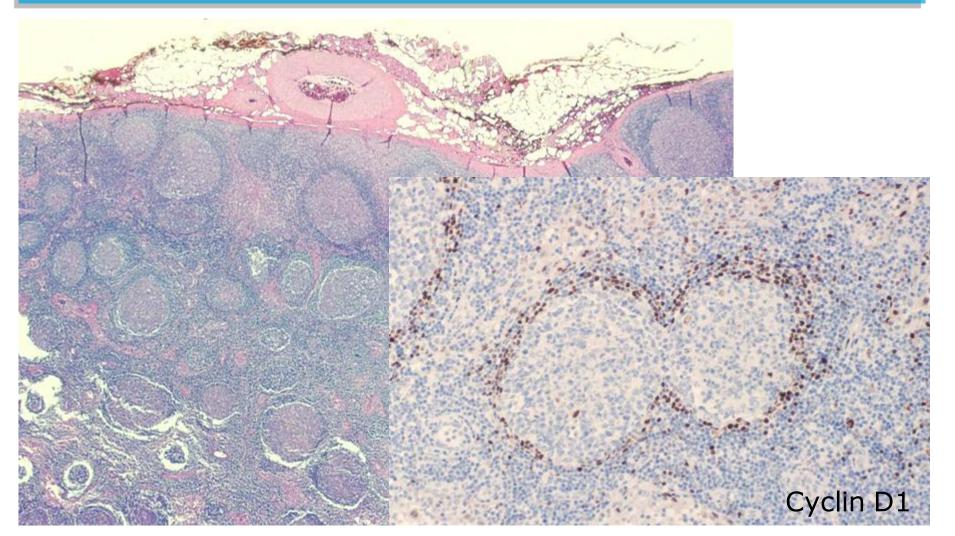
Fernandez V, et al., Cancer Res 2010;70:1408 Ondrejka SL, et al., Haematologica 2011;96:1121







Mantle cell lymphoma "in situ"

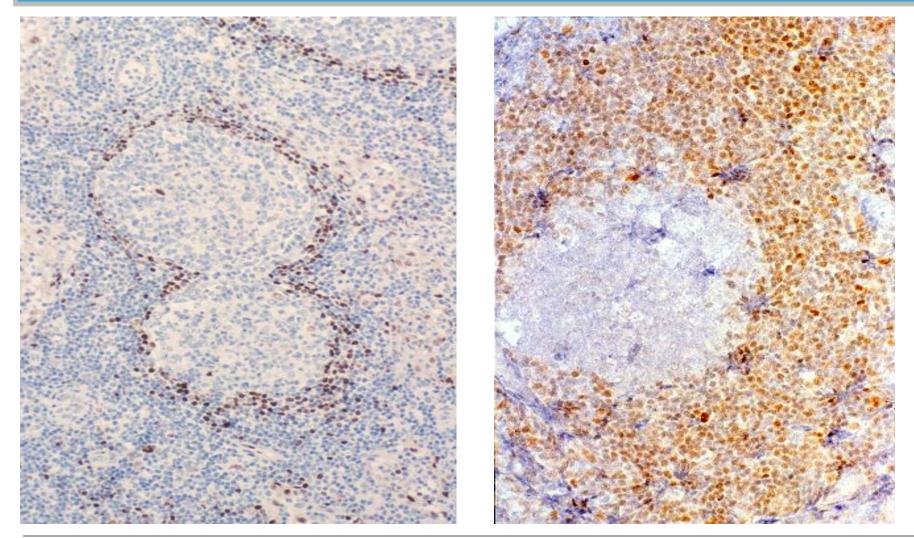








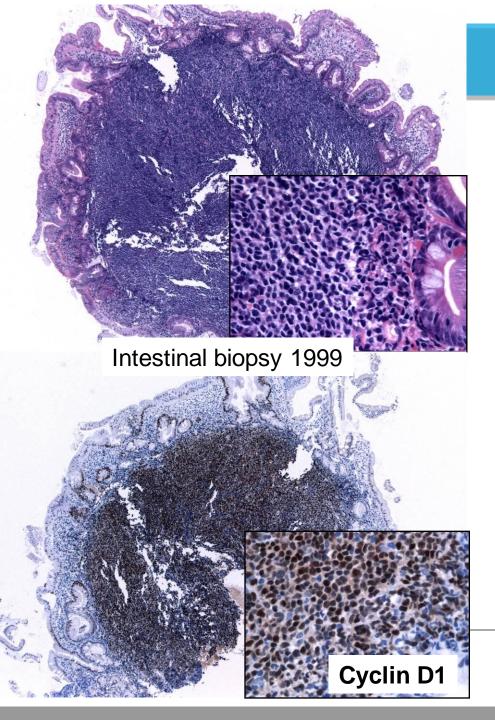
Mantle cell lymphoma in situ Mantle zone pattern











Clinical history

67-year old male Dx of mantle cell lymphoma in intestinal biopsy (lymphomatous polyposis) Stage IVa

Treatment with CHOP

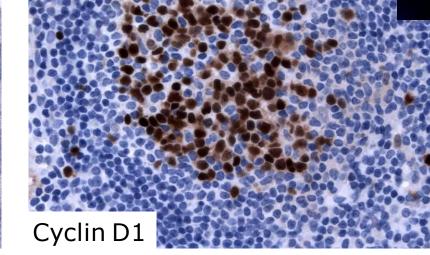
2005: salivary gland enlargement Treatment with R-CHOP

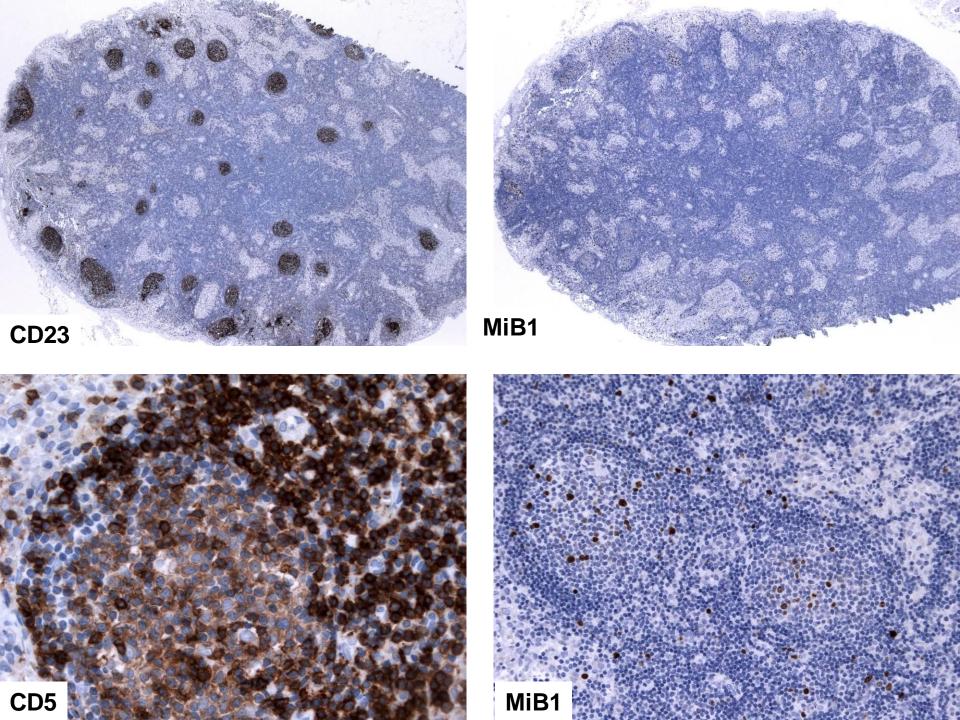
2008: succumbed to pneumonia Probably progressive disease

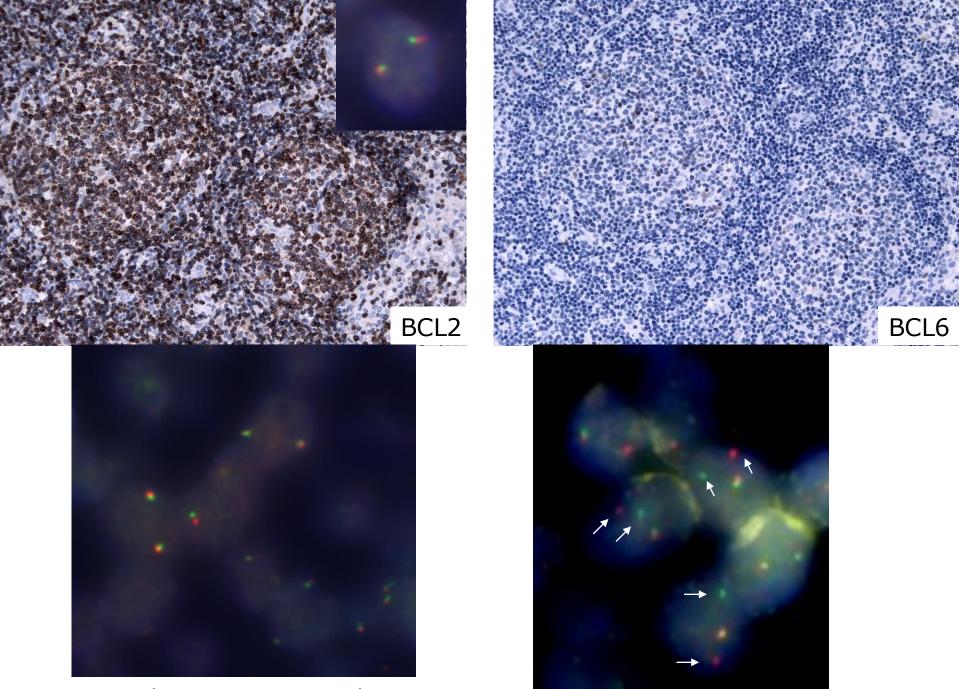


LN biopsy 2005









Break-apart BCL2 probe

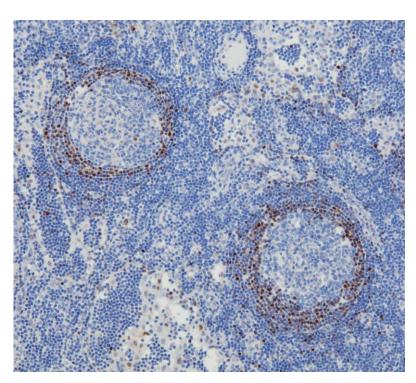
Break-apart CCND1 probe

Mantle cell lymphoma "in situ"

- Usually localized in mantle zone, may be found extranodal
- Identical phenotype as classical MCL (Sox11+/-)
- May be associated with manifest MCL at other site
- Probably rarer than FLIS
 - No MCL in situ in our study of reactive LN
- 1/100 healthy individuals with t(11;14)+ PBBC vs. 39/85 t(14;18)+ PBBC (Hirt et al, Blood 2004)
- 7% in healthy individuals with long-time persistence of clone







Sox 11 in MCLis





"Low grade" Lymphomas

- "New" definitions of SLL and "nodal" monoclonal B-cell lymphocytosis
- Follicular lymphoma in situ, BCL2 negative FL and Pediatric FL
- Mantle cell lymphoma, indolent variant, in situ MCL, cyclin D1 negative MCL









Terminology of early lesions

- Should the term "lymphoma" appear in the diagnosis?
 - Unwarranted treatments
 - Insurance coverage (USA)
 - Psycological impact
- Proposal from Uppsala workshop
 - FL-like B-cells of undetermined significance (FLBUS) MCL-like B-cells of undetermined significance (MCLBUS) and CLL/SLL-like B-cells of undetermined significance
 - Communicate the clinical meaning of this finding!







What are the clinical consequences?

- Possibility of fully developed lymphoma at other site – perform staging
 - Clinical / Imaging / BM biopsy ?
- Risk for progression low no indication for therapy –
- indication for and spacing of follow-up examination??
 - Risk for progression not known!
- No indication for molecular staging







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