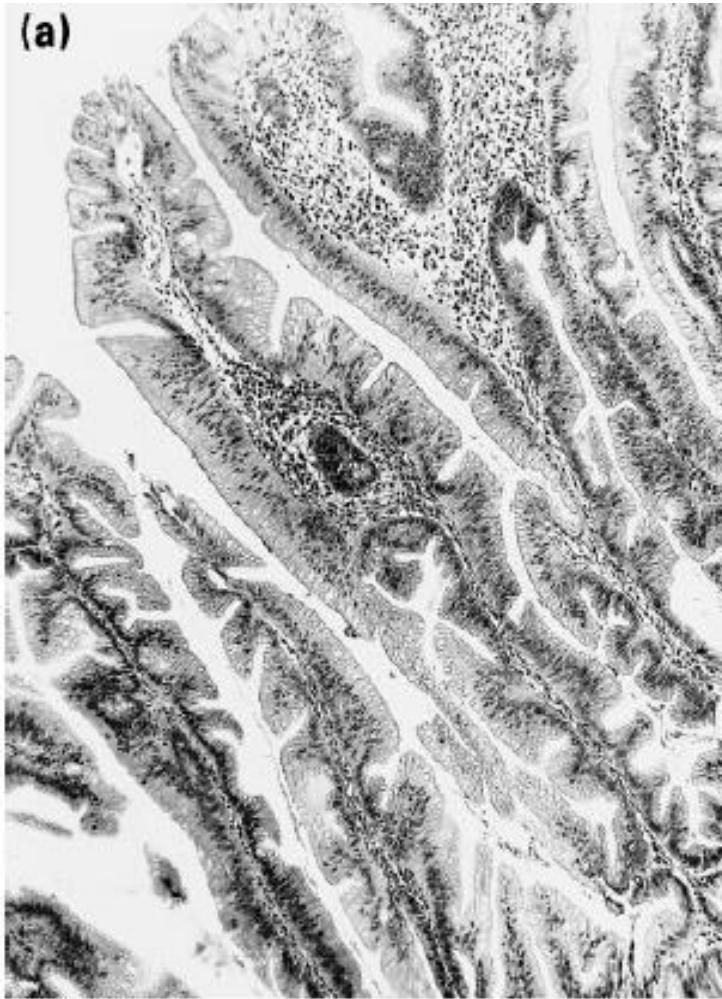


# **An update on Serrated Polyyps**

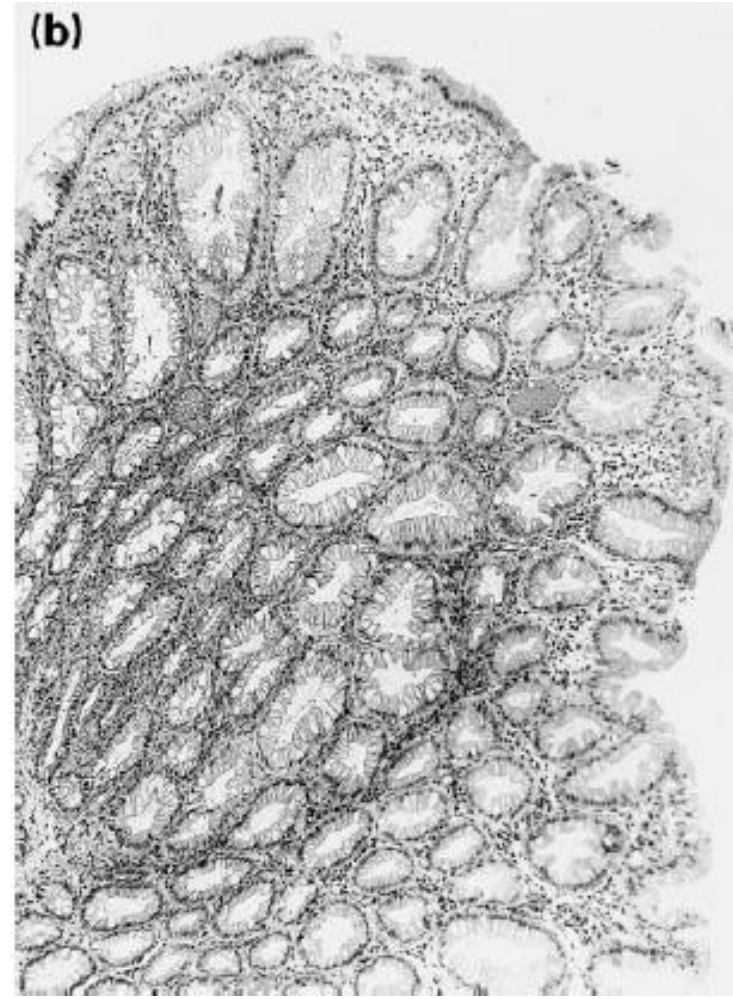
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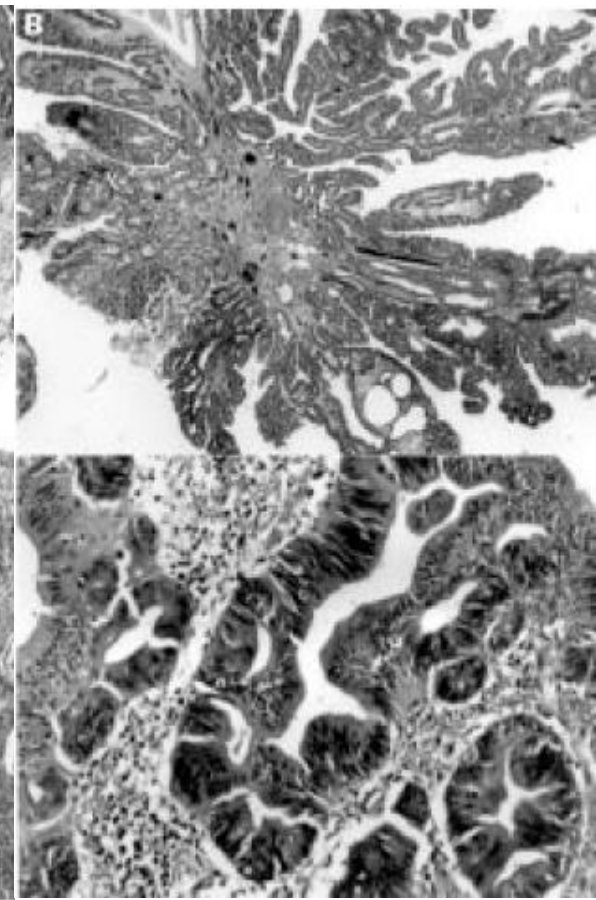
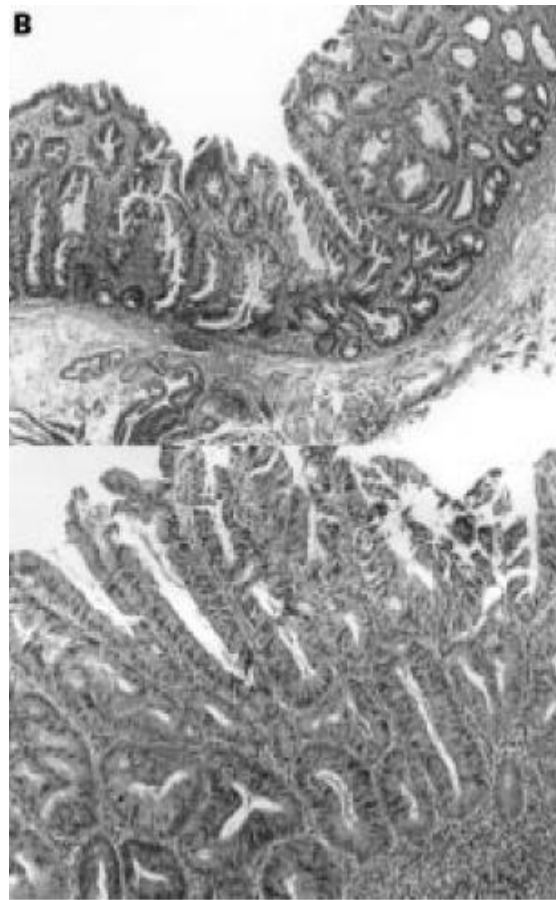
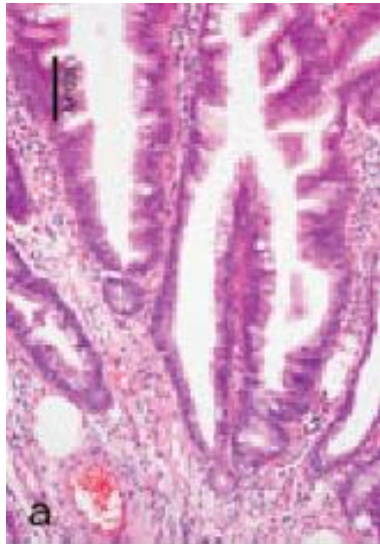
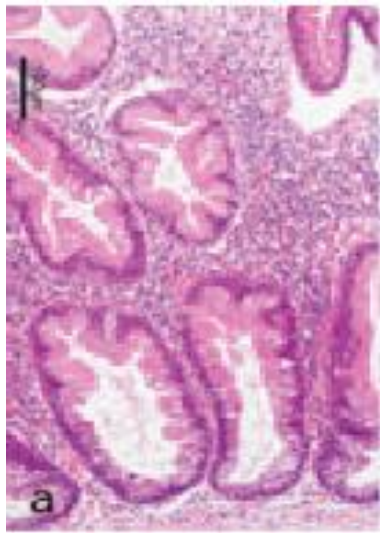
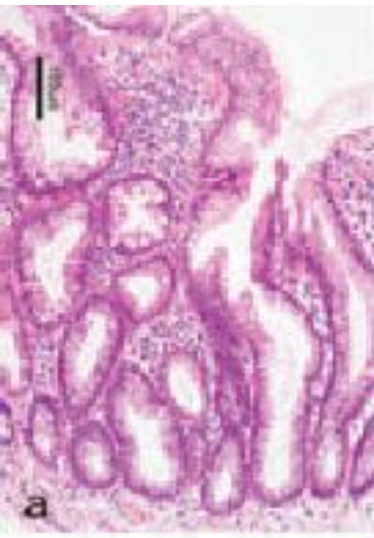


Serrated adenoma



Hyperplastic polyp



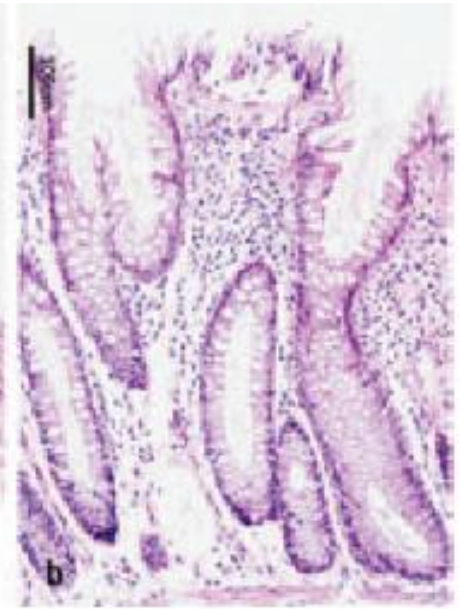
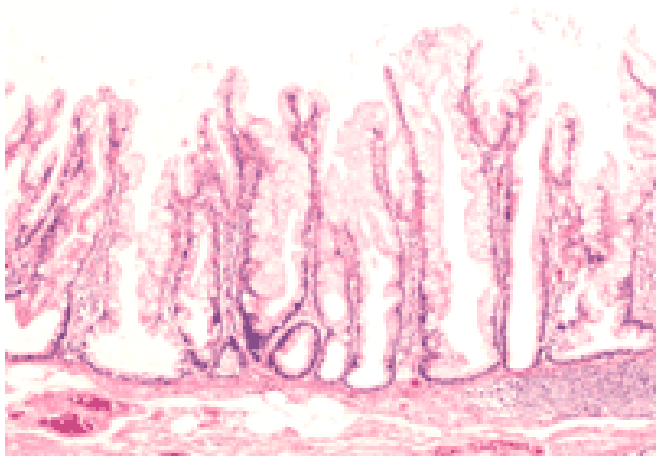


Sessile serrated adenoma  
Matsumoto, 1999

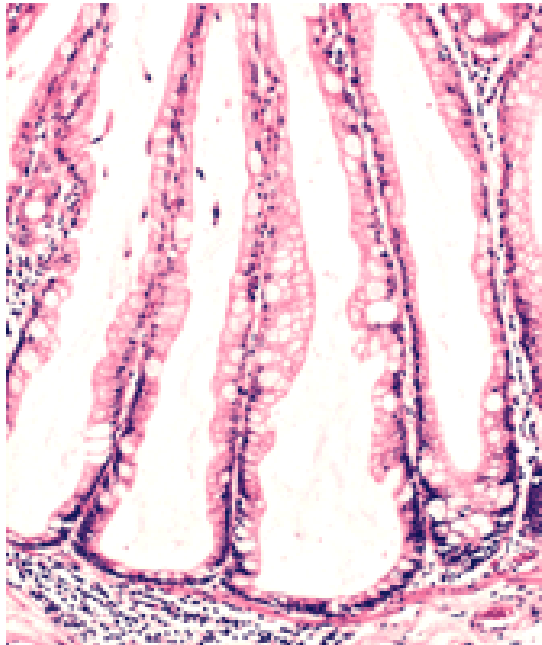
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Serrated adenoma  
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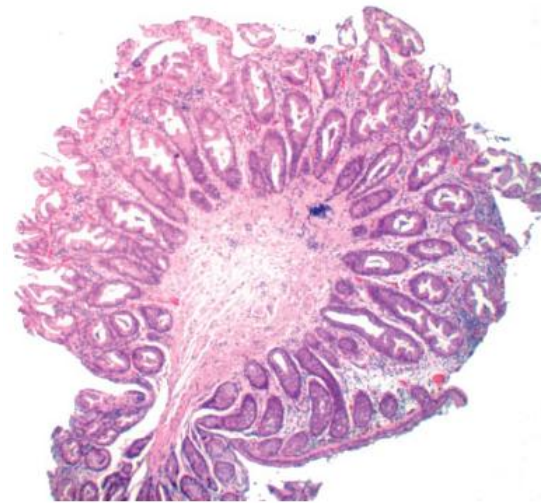




Hyperplastic polyp  
Hirono, 2004



Variant Hyperplastic polyp  
Jass, 2004



LG dysplastic serrated adenoma  
Goldstein, 2008

# Management of Serrated Adenomas and Hyperplastic Polyps

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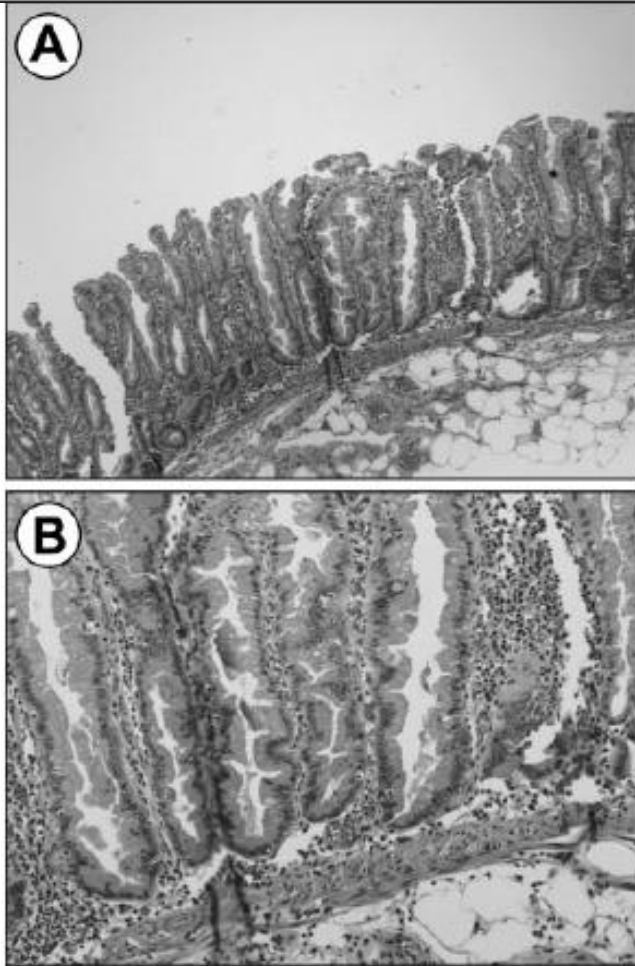
CLINICS IN COLON AND RECTAL SURGERY/VOLUME 21, NUMBER 1 Serrated polyps of the colon

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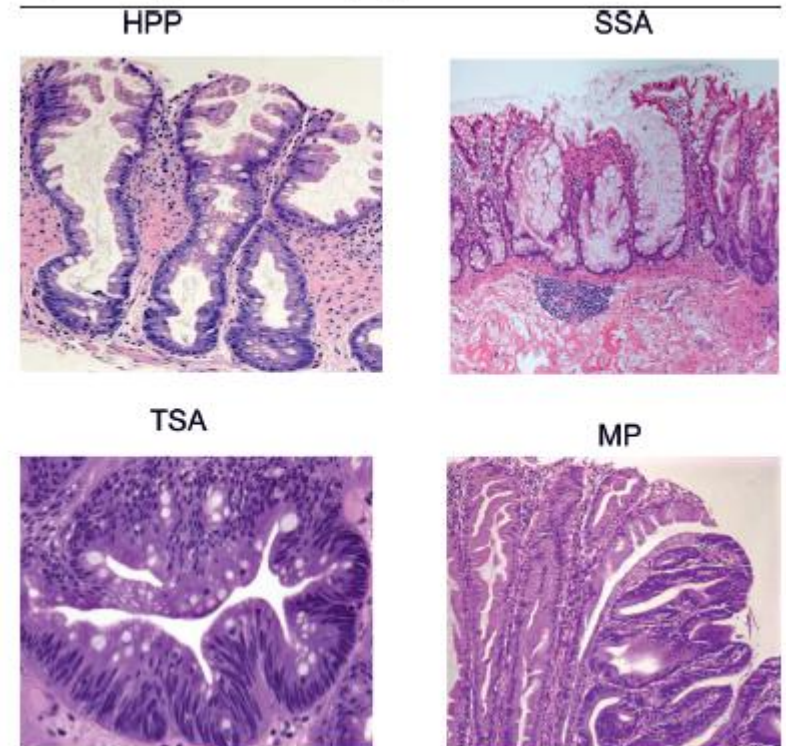
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**Figure 2** The architectural features of sessile serrated adenoma are shown here in (A) low power field and (B) high power field illustrating the branching dilated crypts at the lower base parallel to the muscularis mucosa creating an inverted T or L shape.

**Figure 2. Types of serrated polyp**





- “overlaps” in serrated polyps
- variations in terminology and diagnostic criteria
- unreliable molecular data

We need consensus criteria!

**LET'S GO BACK IN TIME A  
BIT...**



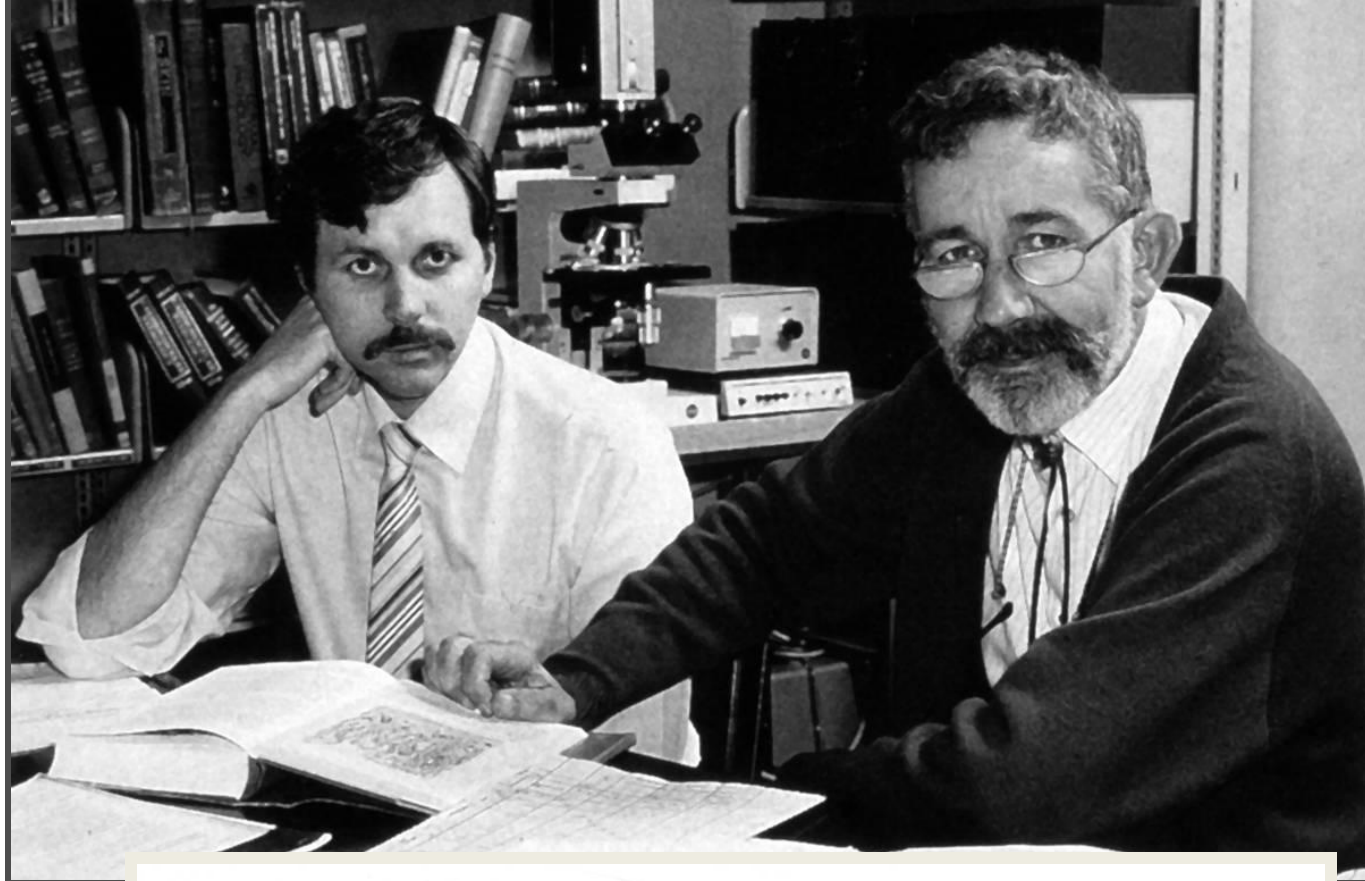
# Dr Castleman – Harvard

- In 1951 Dr. Benjamin Castleman succeeded Dr. Mallory as Chief of Pathology and Editor of the Case Records of the Massachusetts General Hospital in NEJM.
- **Castleman's disease of lymph nodes.**
- Armed Forces Institute of Pathology fascicles on tumors of the thymus and parathyroid glands.
- Dr. Castleman's former residents created the Benjamin Castleman Award, which is presented annually at the meeting of the United-States-Canadian Academy of Pathology to a young pathologist who has performed outstanding research.

# NEJM 1962; 267: 469-475

- Castleman re-evaluated polyps that had been believed to contain cancer from another study. Essentially no follow-up.
- Concluded “The overwhelming majority of cancers in the colon arise as cancer *de novo* or in villous adenomas, not in adenomatous polyps. The adenomatous polyp is a lesion of negligible malignant potential.”





**UNIDENTIFIED CURVED BACILLI IN THE  
STOMACH OF PATIENTS WITH GASTRITIS  
AND PEPTIC ULCERATION\***

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# Two Australians win Nobel Prize in Medicine

## Awarded for work on peptic ulcer disease



Winawer SJ, Zauber AG, Ho MN, O'Brien MJ,  
Gottlieb LS, Sternberg SS, Waye JD, Schapiro M,  
Bond JH, Panish JF, et al.

Prevention of colorectal cancer by colonoscopic polypectomy. The National Polyp Study Workgroup. N Engl J Med. 1993 Dec 30;329(27):1977-81.

# NEJM, Cont

- 1418 patients had a complete colonoscopy during which one or more adenomas of the colon or rectum were removed.
- Follow-up colonoscopy [average 5.9 years]
- Colorectal cancer [CRC] incidence compared with that in 3 reference groups; 2 cohorts in which colonic polyps were not removed and one general-population registry adjusted for sex, age, polyp size.

# Cont

- 5 asymptomatic early-stage CRC (malignant polyps) detected by colonoscopy (3 at 3 years, one at 6 years, and one at 7 years). No symptomatic cancers were detected.
- The numbers of CRC expected on the basis of the rates in the three reference groups were 48.3, 43.4, and 20.7, for reductions in the incidence of colorectal cancer of 90, 88, and 76 percent, respectively ( $P < 0.001$ ).

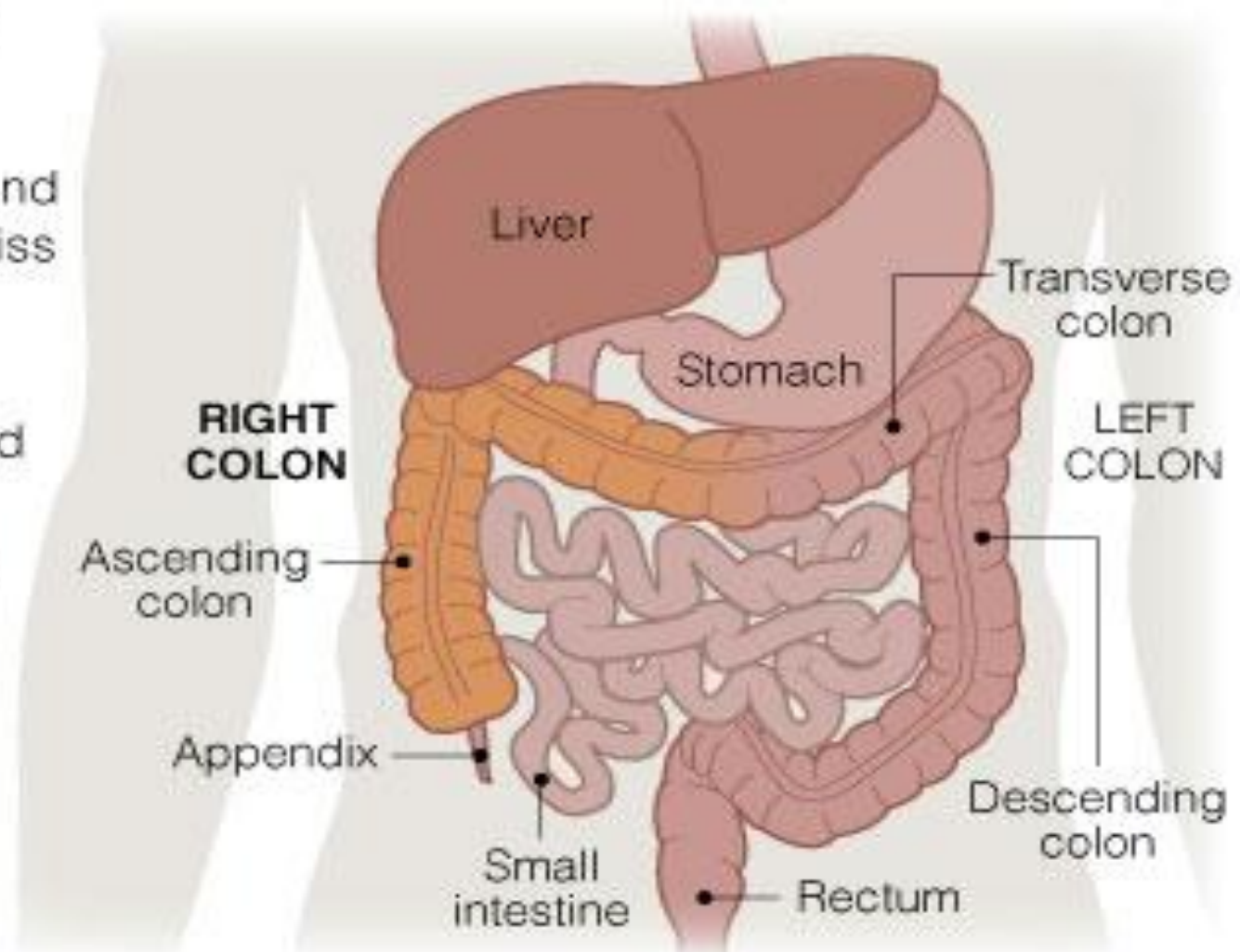


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## Imperfect Test For a Cancer

A Canadian study found that colonoscopies miss more cancers than previously thought.

Colonoscopies missed nearly all cancers in the right colon, where cancers are harder to detect, and roughly a third of cancers arising in the left colon.



Source: *Annals of Internal Medicine*

THE NEW YORK TIMES

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- Case control study of patients diagnosed with colorectal cancer between 1996-2001 and died by 2003
- Of 10,292 cases [people who were **DEAD** of colorectal cancer], 7% had previous colonoscopy
- Among 51,460 controls, 9.8% had previous colonoscopy
- Colonoscopies performed between 1/1/1992 and 6 m prior to dx of CRC

# Canadian Study

- Odds ratio for association between complete colonoscopy and CRC reduction was ***0.33 for left-sided lesions***
- ***0.99 for right sided lesions***

# Why???

- Colonoscopy was performed by non gastroenterologists 69% of the time
- **NO ONE KNEW HOW TO RECOGNIZE RIGHTSIDED PRECURSORS ENDOSCOPICALLY OR HISTOLOGICALLY**
- The hope – we will do better in a few more years [although this study is different from prospective method]

# Another problem

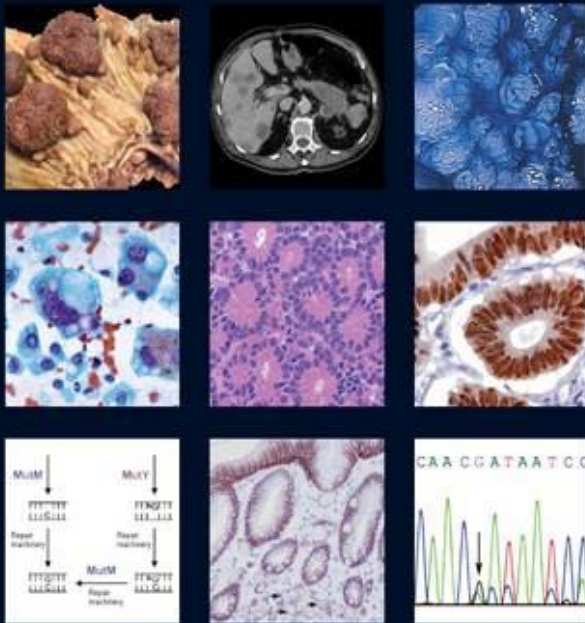
- Many women simply do not have colons – some do not even have a GI tract at all.



# Serrated Polyps

## WHO Classification of Tumours of the Digestive System

Edited by Fred T. Bosman, Fátima Carneiro, Ralph H. Hruban, Neil D. Theise



WHO

- Hyperplastic polyp (>75%)
- Sessile serrated adenoma/polyp (15-25%)
- (Traditional) serrated adenoma (<10%)
  
- (Ad)Mixed polyp
- Sessile serrated adenoma/polyp with dysplasia
  
- Hyperplastic polyposis
- Serrated polyposis

WHO 2010



WHO Classification of Tumours of the Digestive System  
Consensus and Editorial meeting  
IARC, Lyon, 10-12 December 2009





# Serrated lesions WHO 2010

Type	Synonyms	Histological features <sup>a</sup>				Genetic features <sup>b</sup>			
		Crypts	Proliferation	Cytological dysplasia	Mucin type	<i>BRAF</i> mutation	<i>KRAS</i> mutation	CIMP	<i>MLH1</i> methylation
MVHP	Hyperplastic polyp; metaplastic polyp	Straight with serrations toward lumen	Located uniformly in basal portion of crypts	No	Microvesicular or mixed goblet cell & microvesicular	+++	–	+	–
GCHP	Hyperplastic polyp; metaplastic polyp	Straight, serrations may be minimal	Located uniformly in the basal portion of crypts	No	Pure goblet cells	–	+++	U	–
MP/HP	Hyperplastic polyp; metaplastic polyp	Straight, serration toward lumen	Located uniformly in the basal portion of crypts	Atypia present but appears reactive	None	U	U	U	U
SSA/P	Serrated polyp with abnormal proliferation; giant hyperplastic polyp; variant hyperplastic polyp	Crypts distorted, often dilated near base, excess serration near base	Proliferation abnormally located often away from the base of the crypts, variable from crypt to crypt	No	Usually microvesicular, sometimes with goblet cells or gastric foveolar differentiation	+++	–	+++	–
SSA/P with cytological dysplasia	Mixed hyperplastic-adenomatous polyp; advanced SSA/P	As for SSA/P	As for SSA/P but with more proliferation in cytologically dysplastic areas	Present	As for SSA/P	+++	–	+++	++
TSA	Serrated adenoma; filiform serrated adenoma	Hyperserrated in part owing to formation of ectopic crypts	Proliferation present at base of ectopic crypts	May be present, usually in the form of cells with eosinophilic cytoplasm	None or goblet cells	+ <sup>c</sup>	+ <sup>c</sup>	++	–
Serrated polyposis	Hyperplastic polyposis; giant hyperplastic polyposis	Mostly SSA/P with some MVHP	As per polyp subtype	Present as disease advances	As per polyp subtype	++ <sup>c</sup>	+ <sup>c</sup>	+++	+

CIMP, CpG island methylator phenotype; GCHP, goblet cell-rich hyperplastic polyp; MP/HP, mucin-poor hyperplastic polyp; MVHP, microvesicular hyperplastic polyp; SSA/P, Sessile serrated adenoma/polyp; TSA, traditional serrated adenoma.

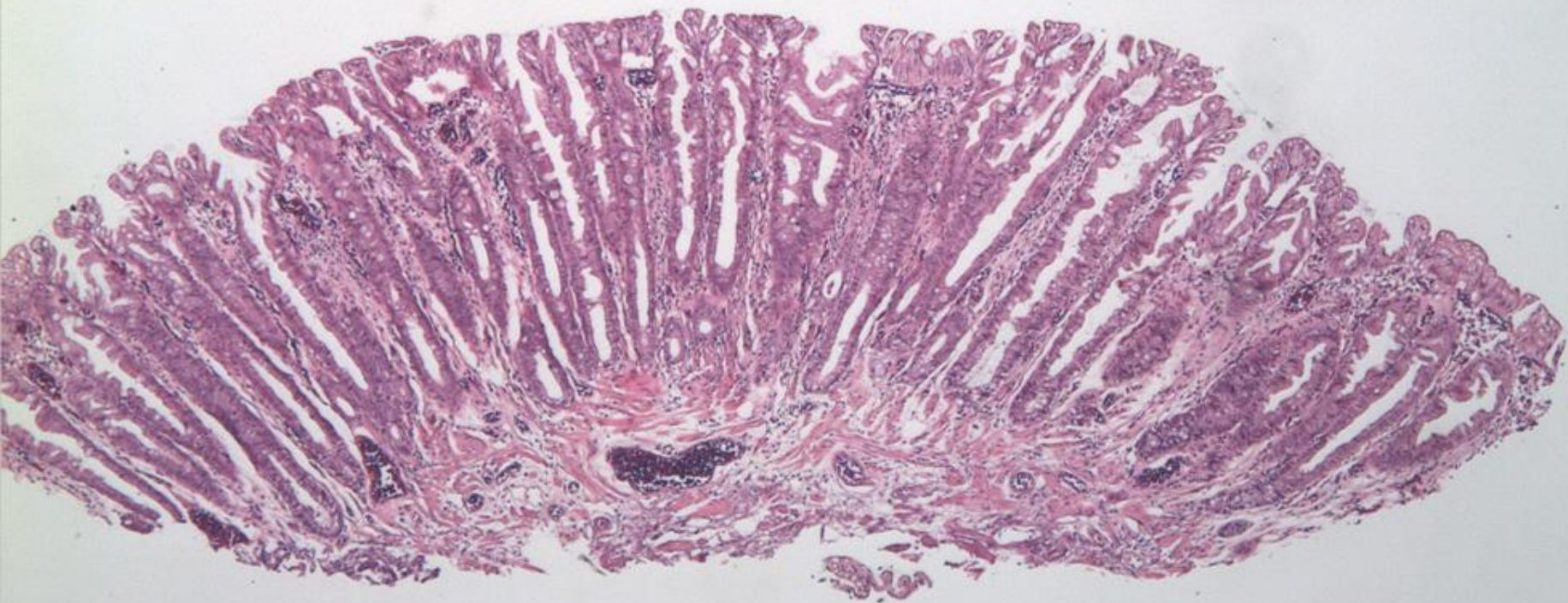
<sup>a</sup> Please see text for details of histology. <sup>b</sup> –, not present; +, present often to a limited extent or in some cases; ++ and +++, present extensively; U, unknown. <sup>c</sup> *KRAS* and *BRAF* mutations are mutually exclusive. Individuals only carry a mutation in one of these two genes.



# Hyperplastic Polyp

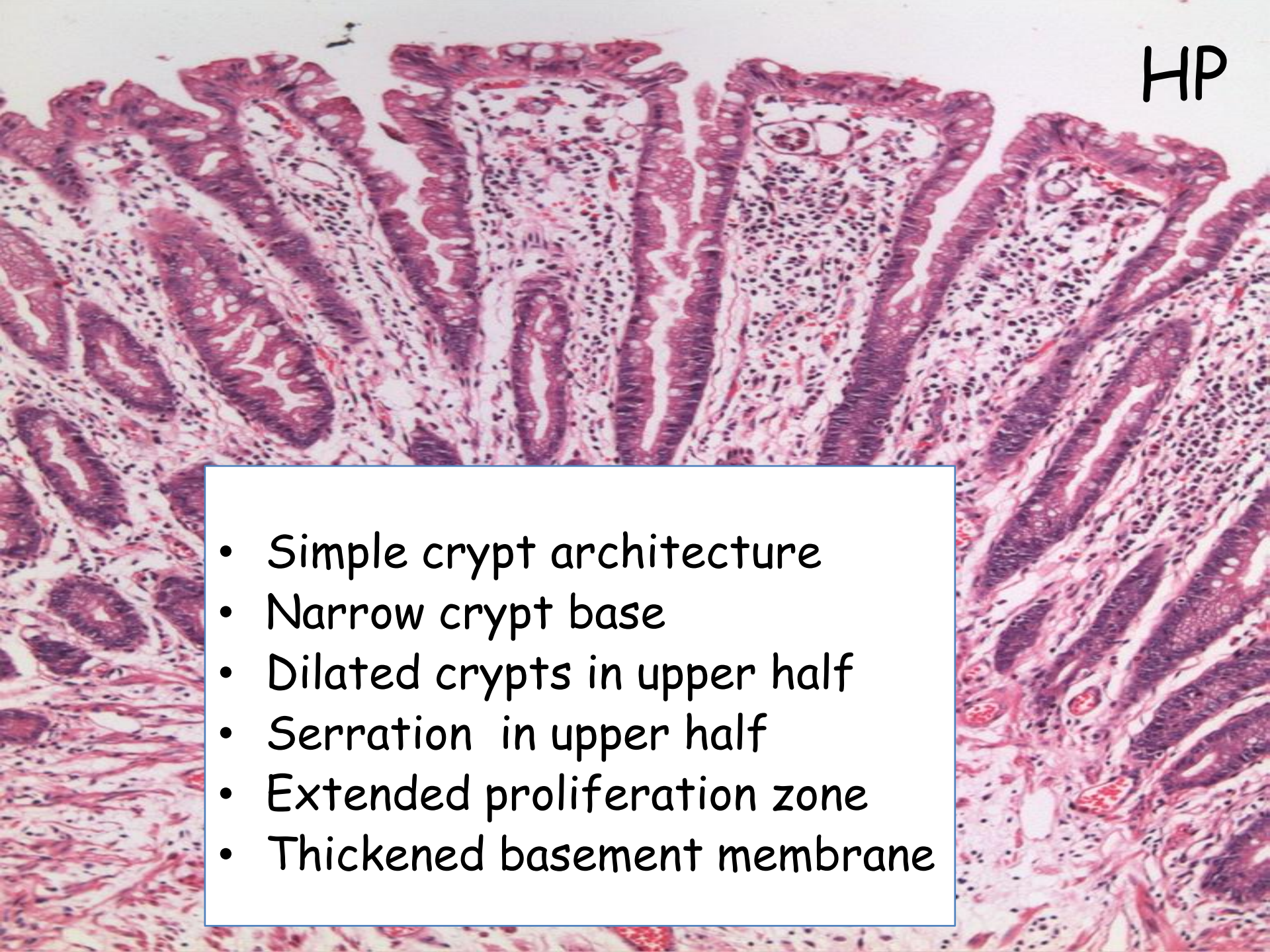




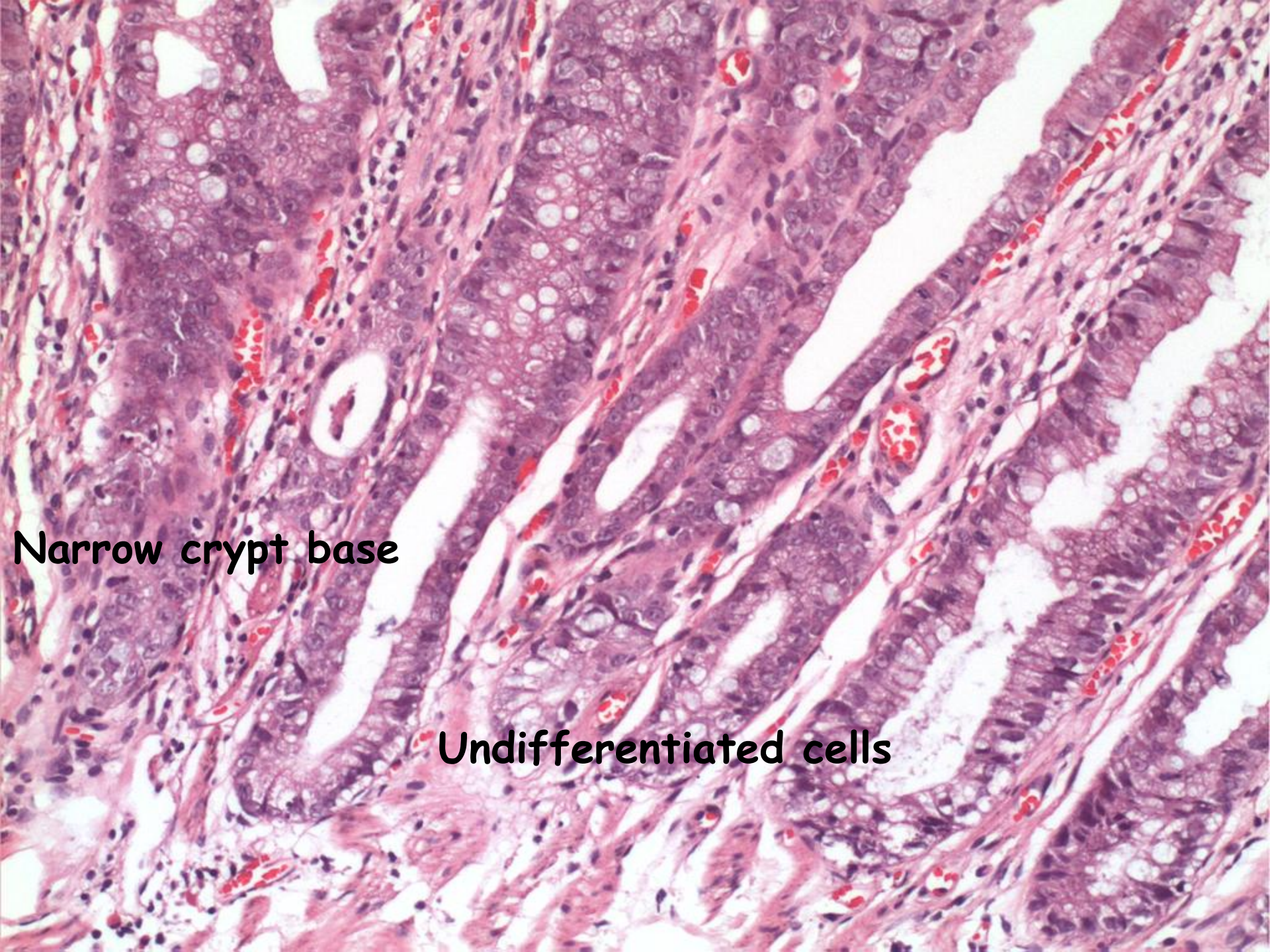




HP

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- A histological section of the colon stained with hematoxylin and eosin (H&E). The image shows several crypts with a simple architecture. The crypts are narrow at the base and dilated in the upper half. The surface of the crypts is serrated. The basal part of the crypts shows an extended proliferation zone. The basement membrane is thickened. The overall appearance is characteristic of a hyperplastic polyp.
- Simple crypt architecture
  - Narrow crypt base
  - Dilated crypts in upper half
  - Serration in upper half
  - Extended proliferation zone
  - Thickened basement membrane





**Narrow crypt base**

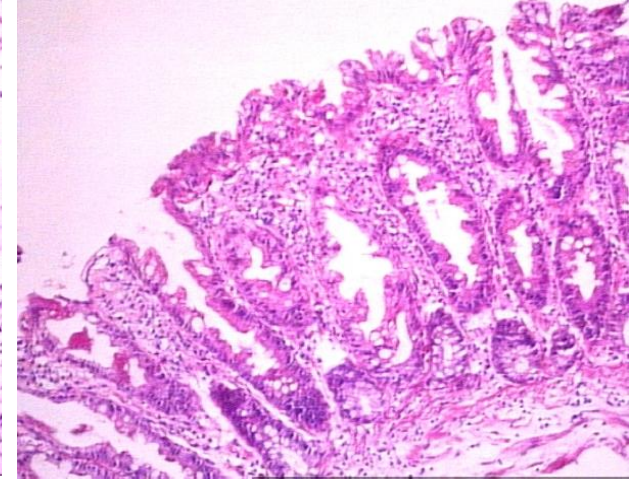
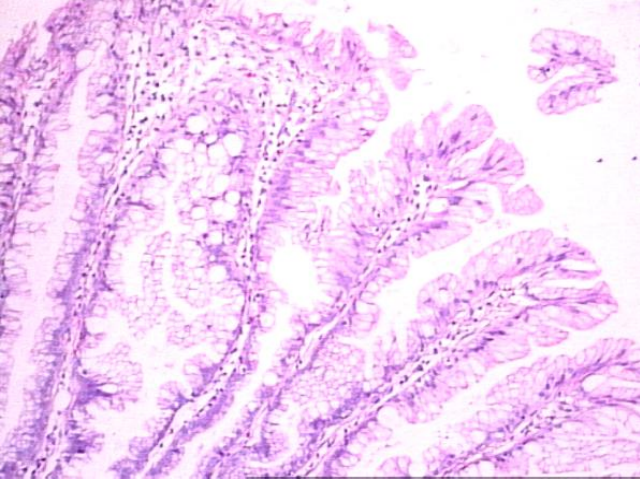
**Undifferentiated cells**



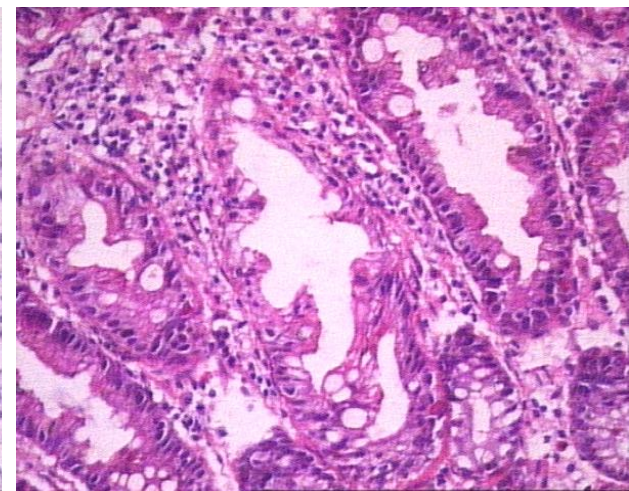
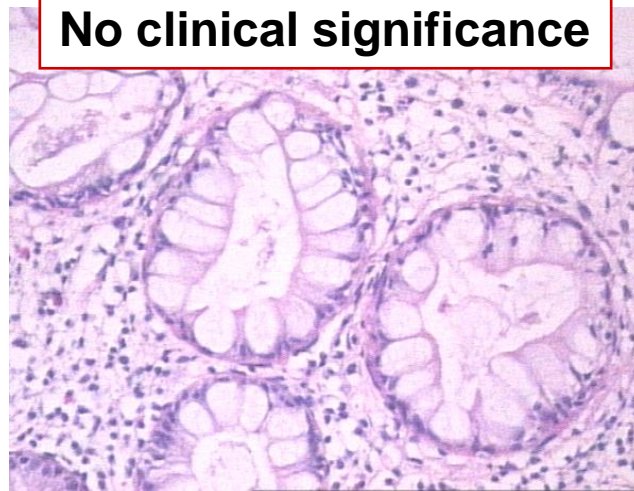
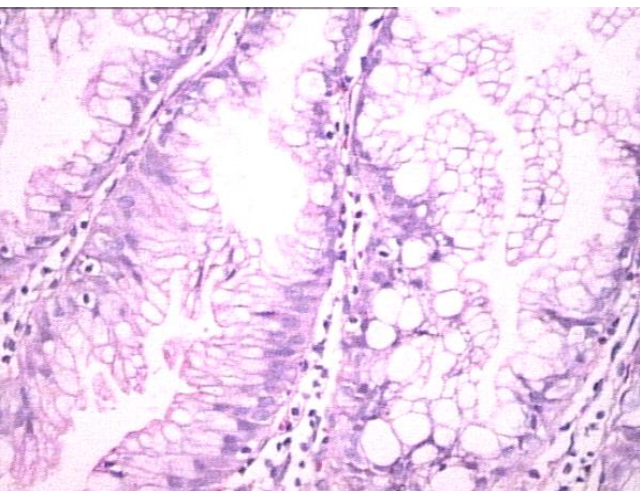


**Serration in upper 3rd**





**Not used in routine  
No clinical significance**



**Microvesicular (MVHP)**

- Commonest HP
- Entire colon
- "Serration" prominent
- Microvacuolation
- Precursor of SSA/P ?

**Goblet cell (GCHP)**

- Second common
- Left colon
- Hyperplastic goblet cells
- "Serration" subtle

**Mucin-poor (MPHP)**

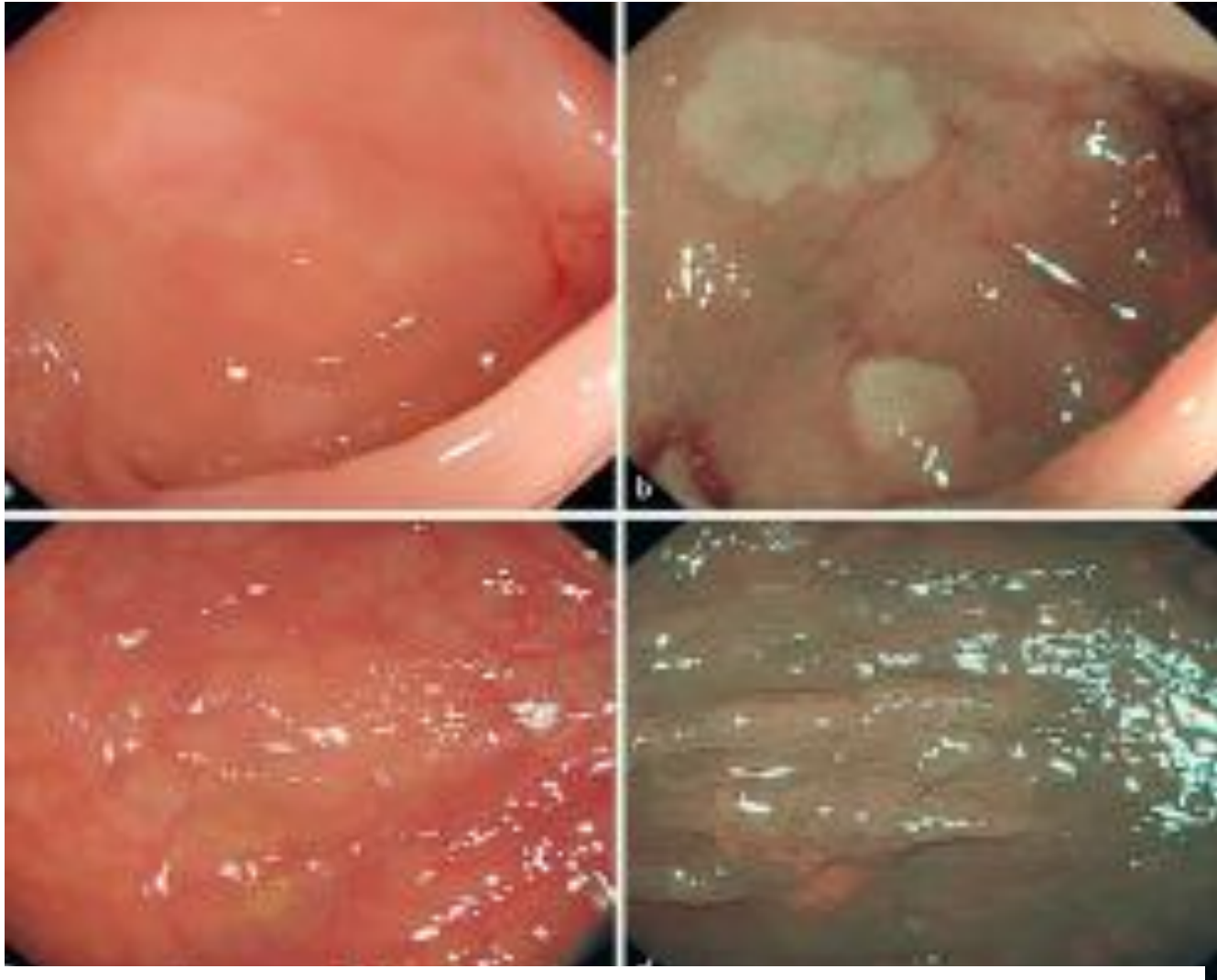
- Very rare
- "Serration" prominent
- Nuclear atypia present



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# Sessile Serrated Adenoma/Polyp





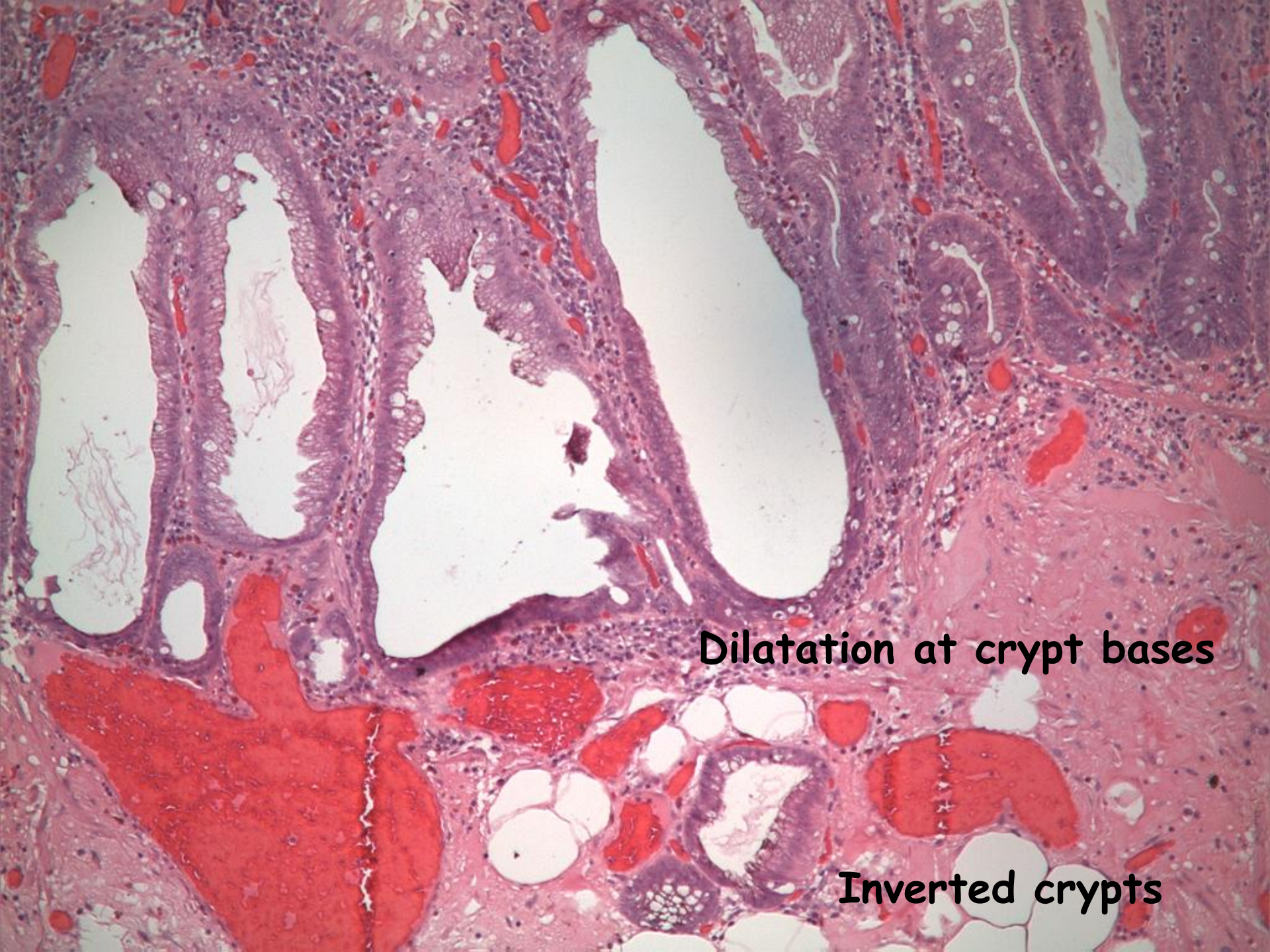


# SSA/P

The image is a histological micrograph of a tissue section stained with hematoxylin and eosin (H&E). It shows several crypts with serrated surfaces and bases. The crypts are dilated and branched, with some showing inverted, T-shaped, or L-shaped configurations. The cells lining the crypts are columnar, and there is a noticeable paucity of goblet cells. Mitotic figures are visible in the upper portions of the crypts. The overall architecture is disorganized, characteristic of a serrated lesion.

- > 0.5cm, flat lesion
- Right colon & appendix
- Architectural
  - Dilatation and branching of basal crypts
  - Inverted, T- or L-shaped crypts
  - Serration both on surface and at base
- Cytological
  - Goblet cells (asymmetrical & dystrophic)
  - Mitosis in upper crypts
  - Paucity of endocrine cells
  - No dysplasia as a rule

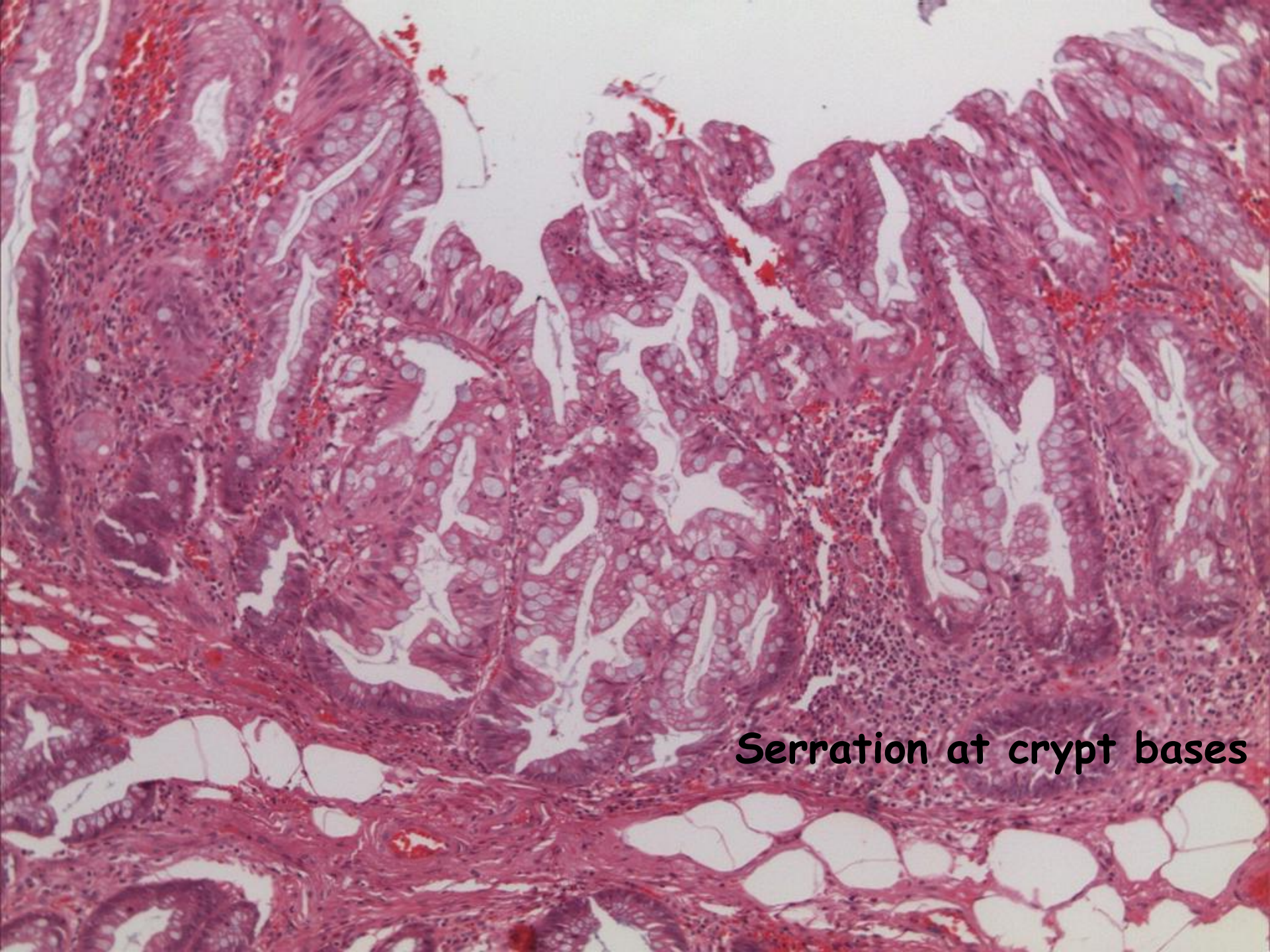




**Dilatation at crypt bases**

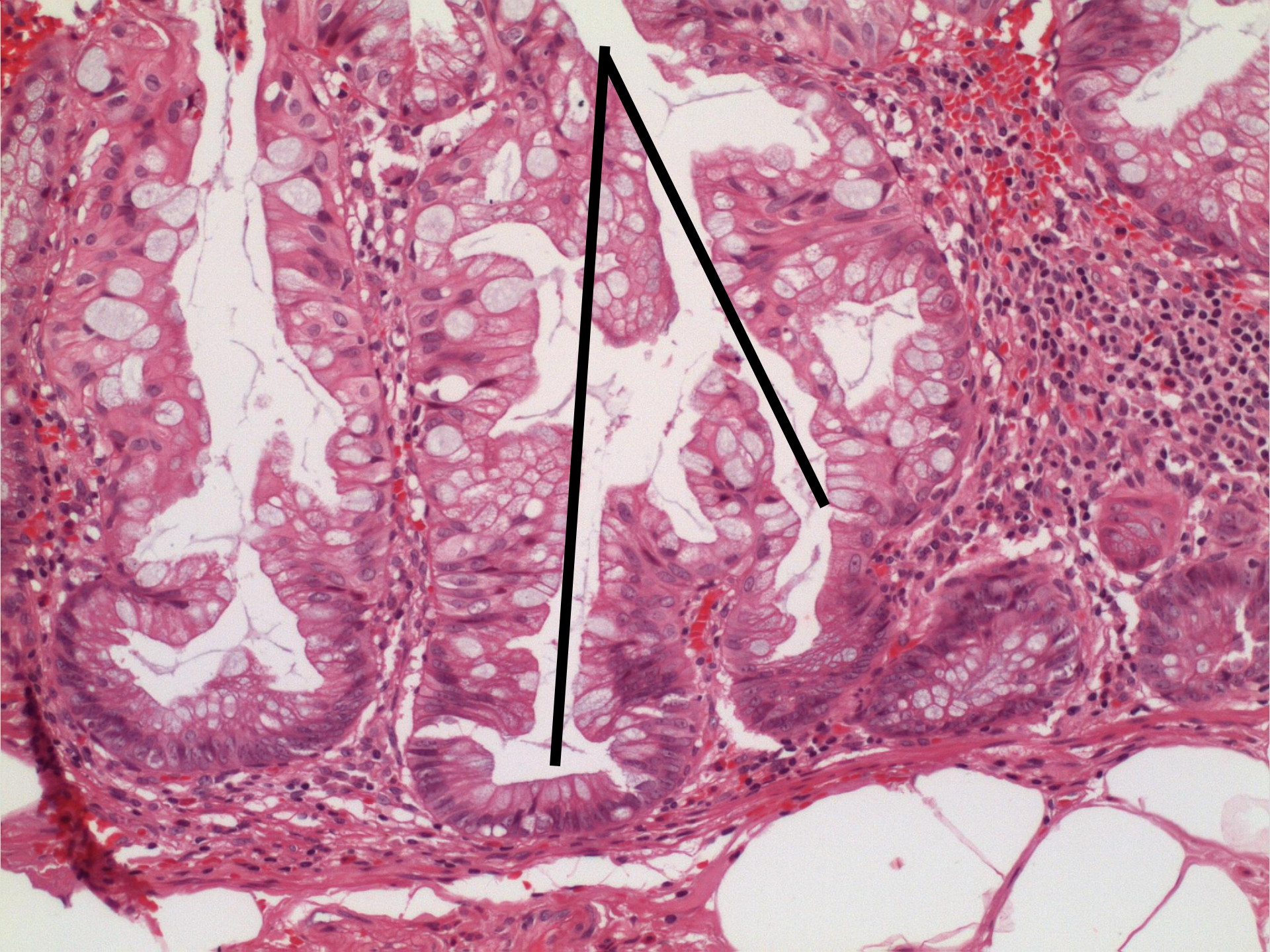
**Inverted crypts**



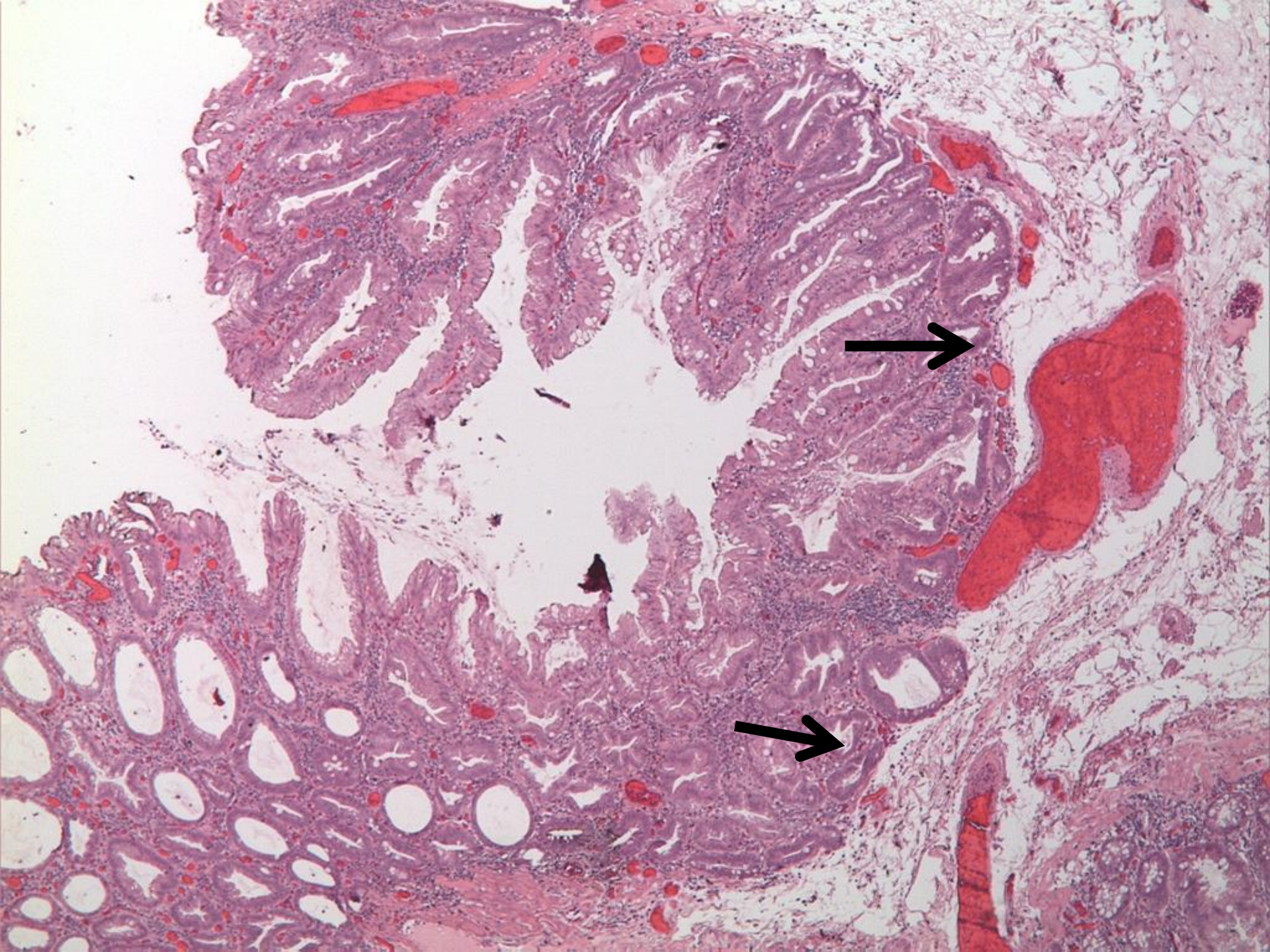


**Serration at crypt bases**

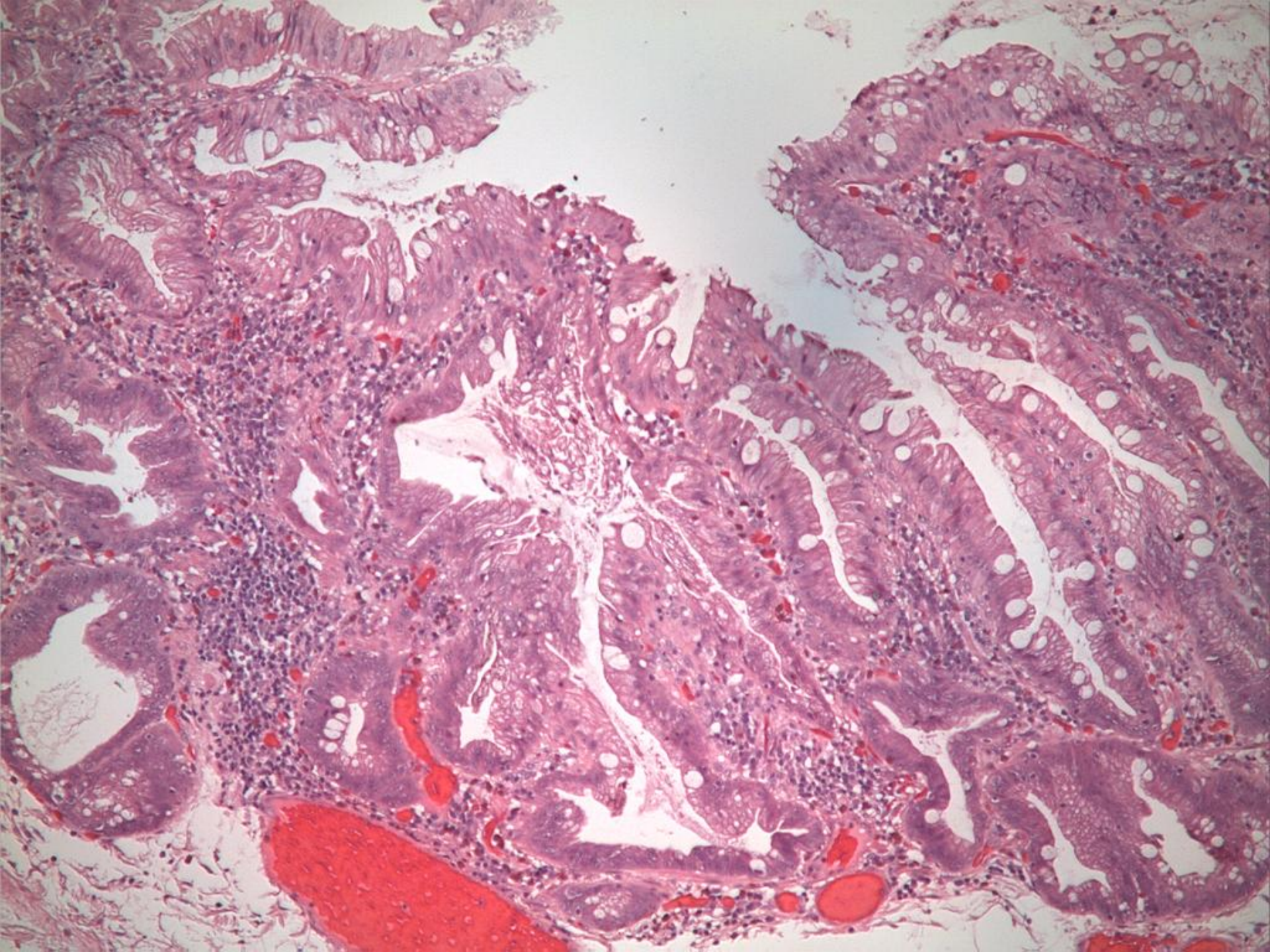




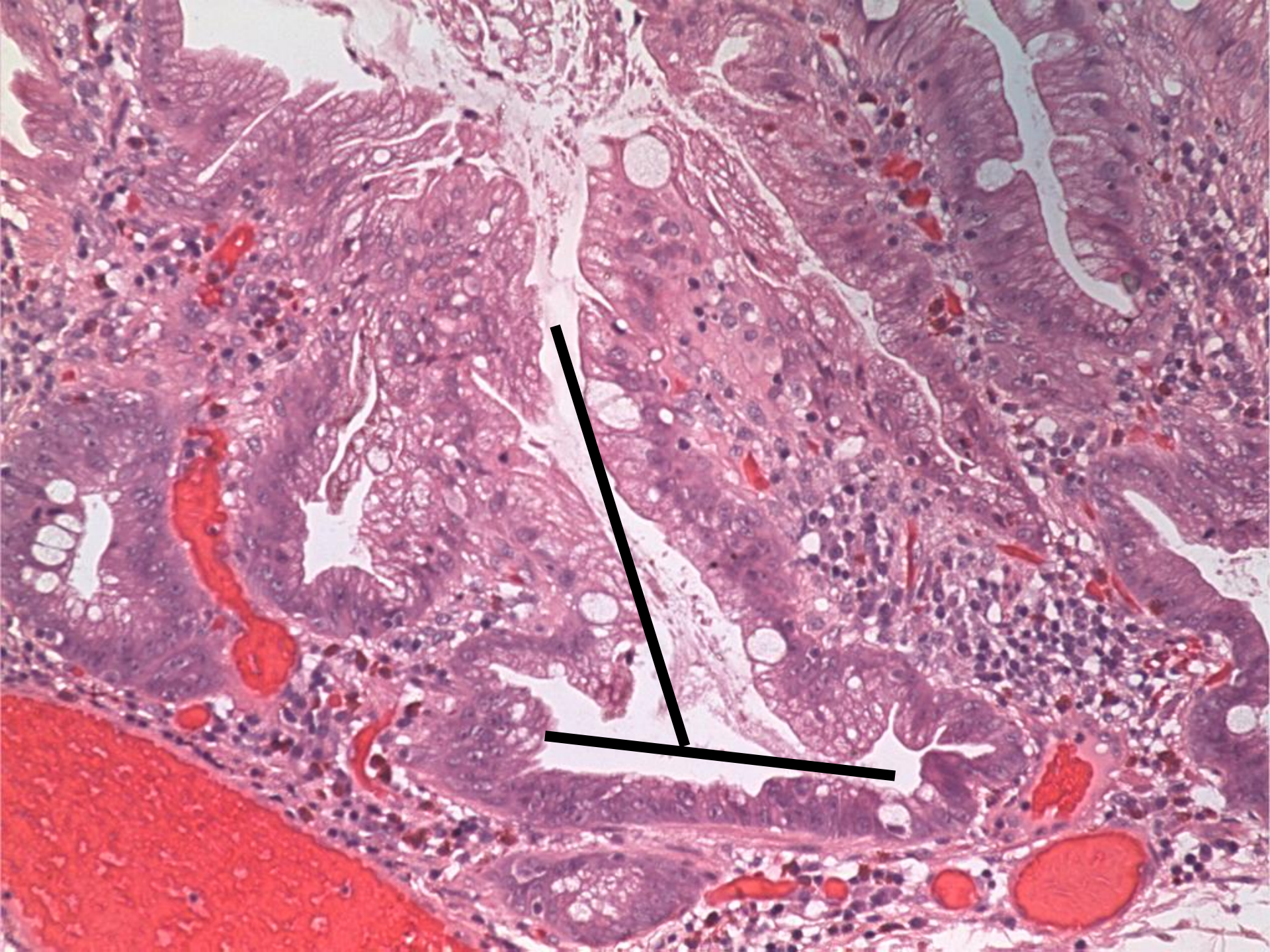




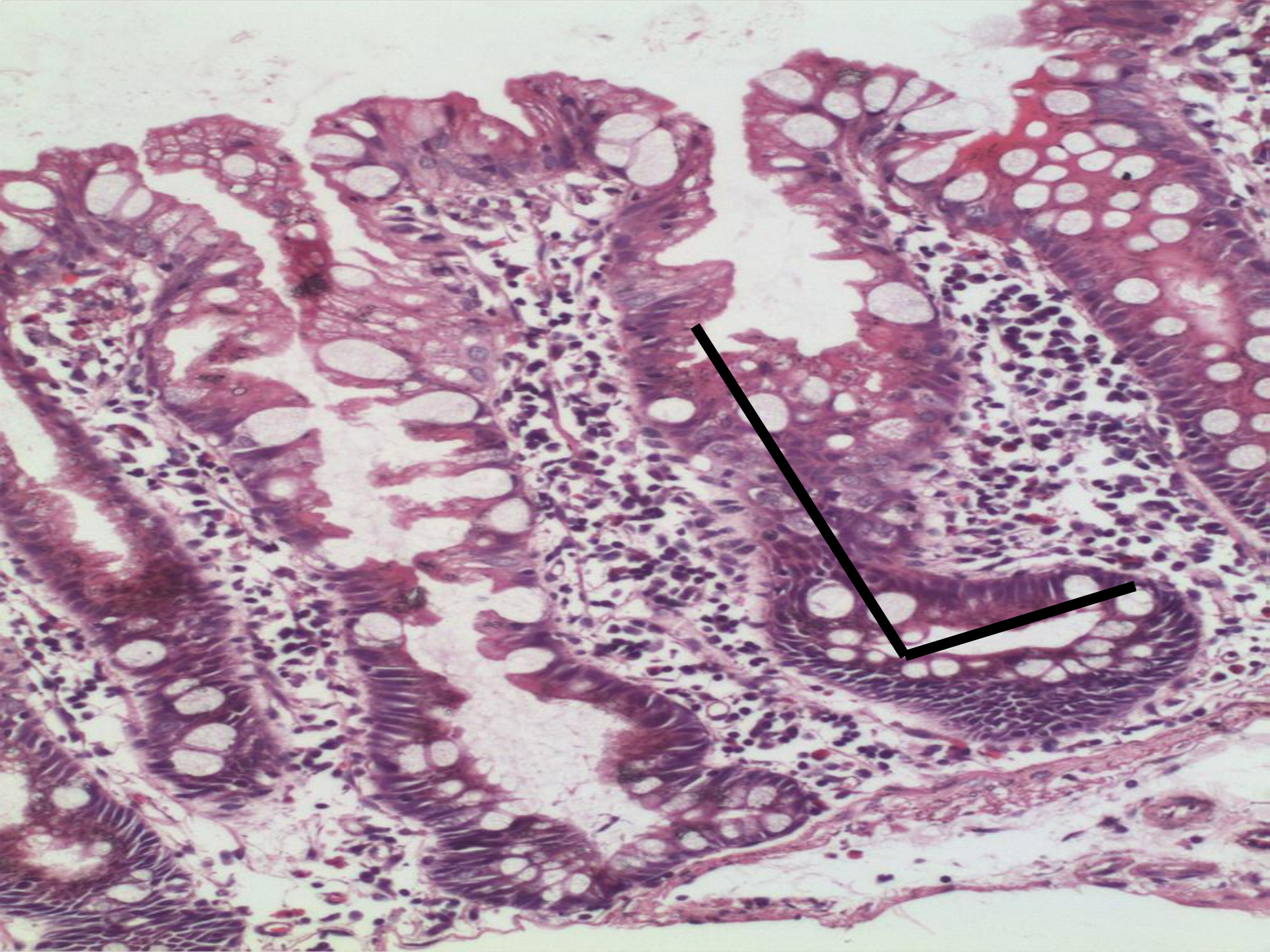










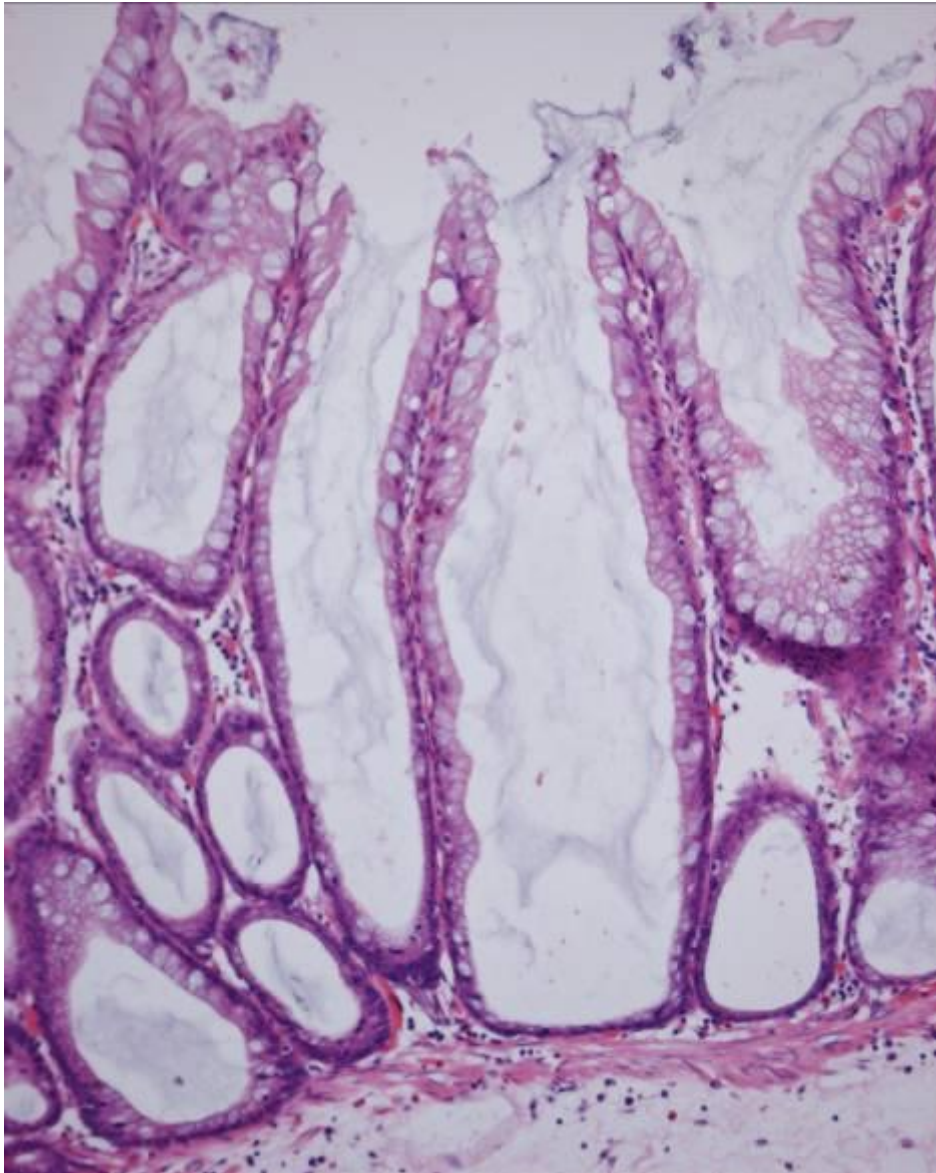


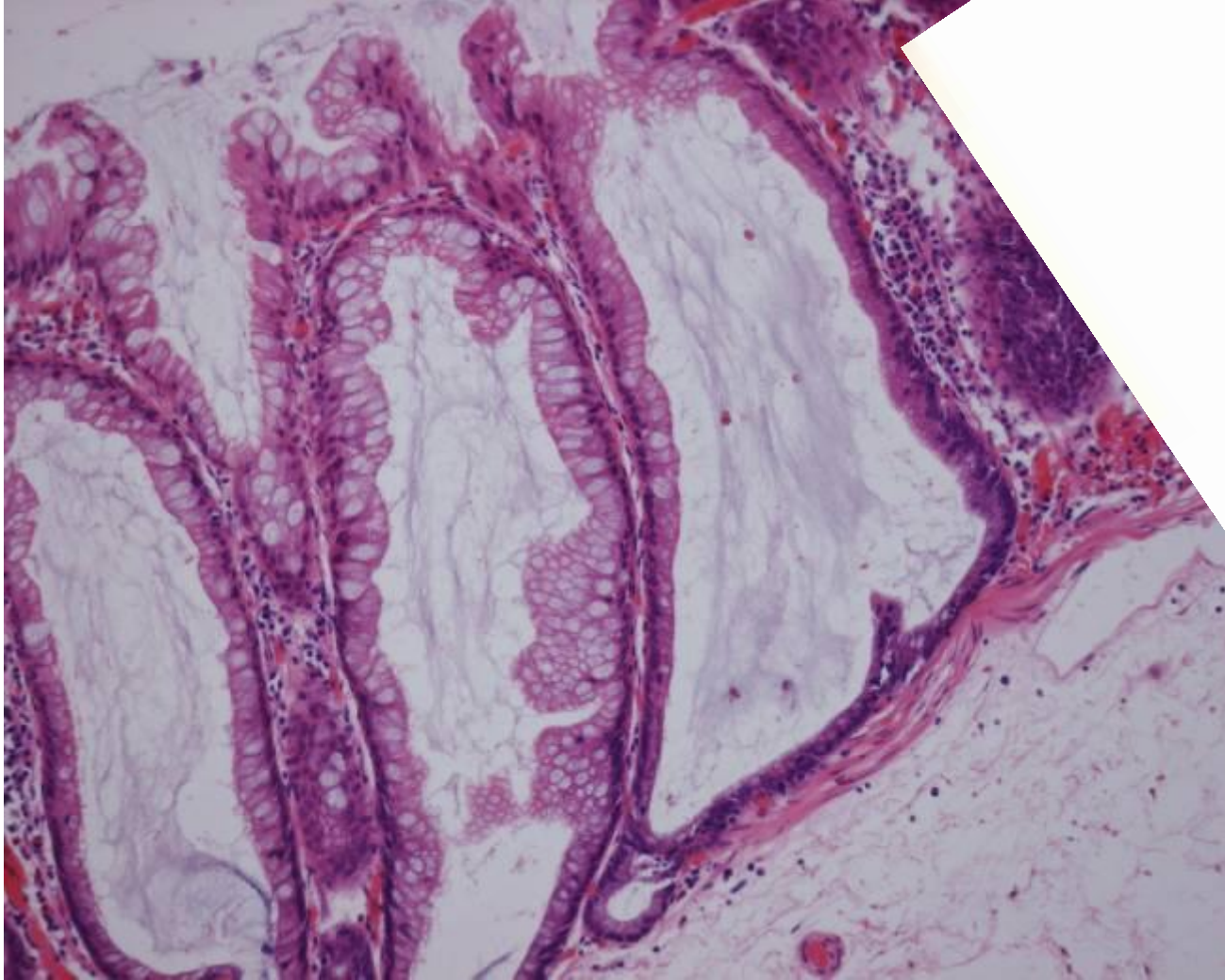




**Inverted crypts**

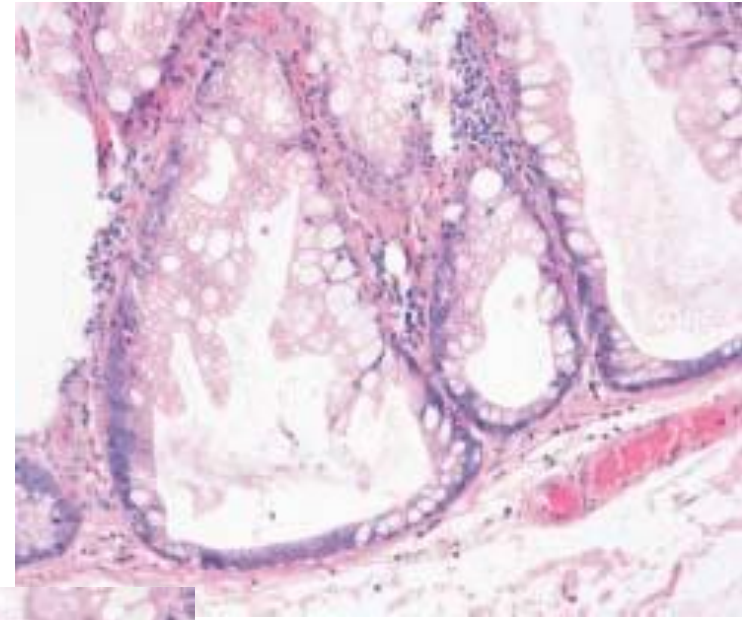
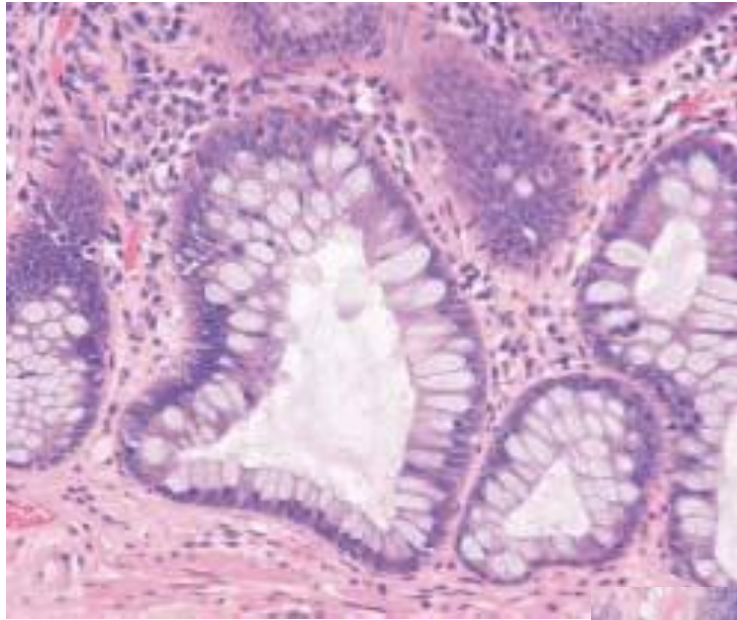




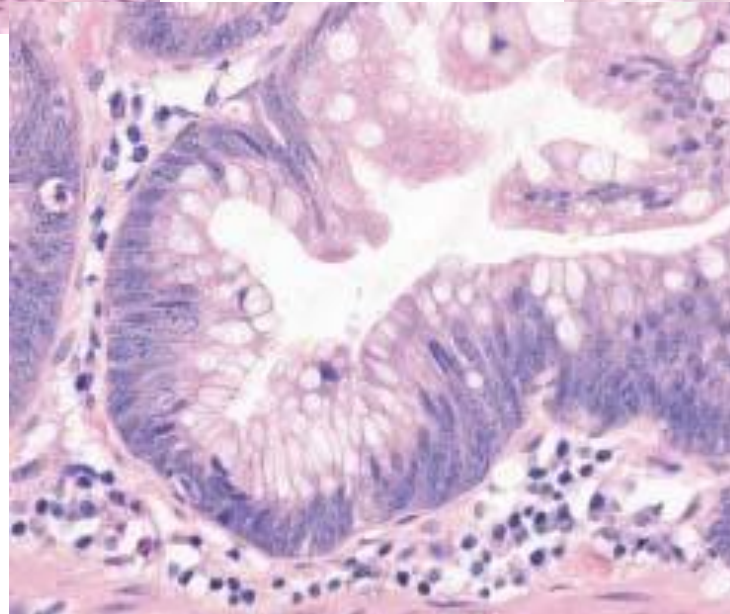




# SSA/P - cell types

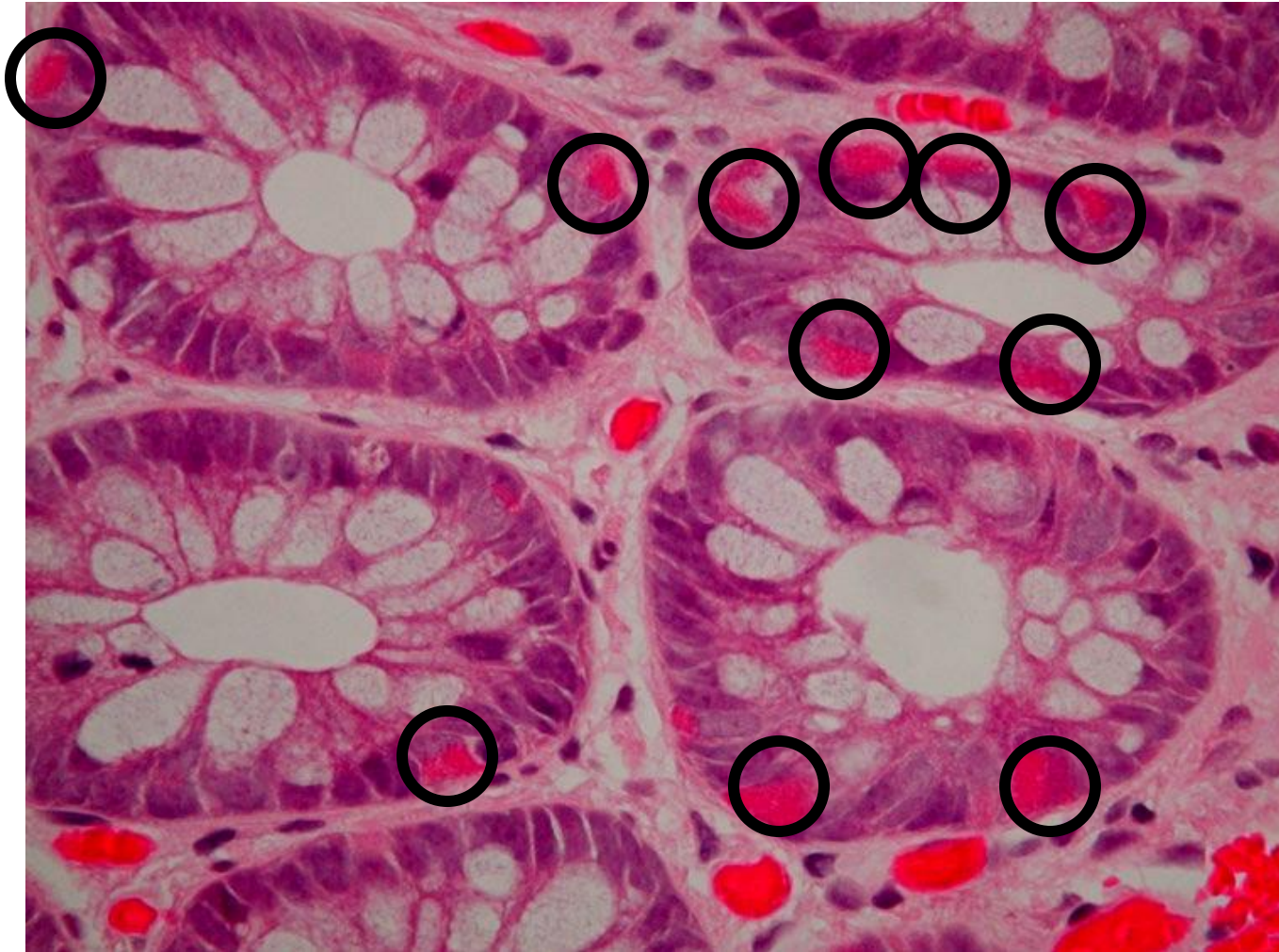


- crypt base cells (undifferentiated)
- goblet cells
- foveolar-type cells



# Torlakavic and Snover – “SSA”

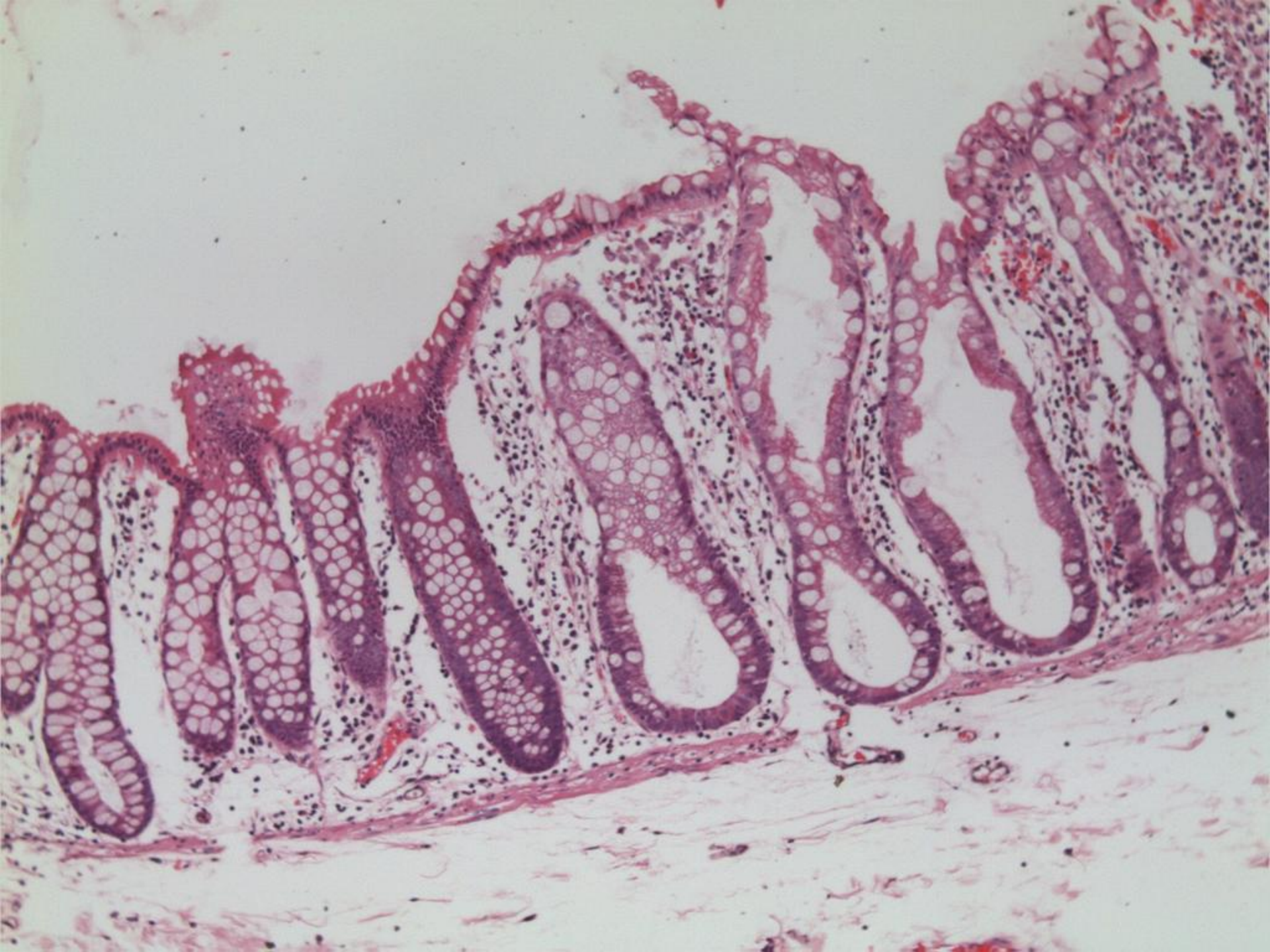
## Decreased Endocrine Cells



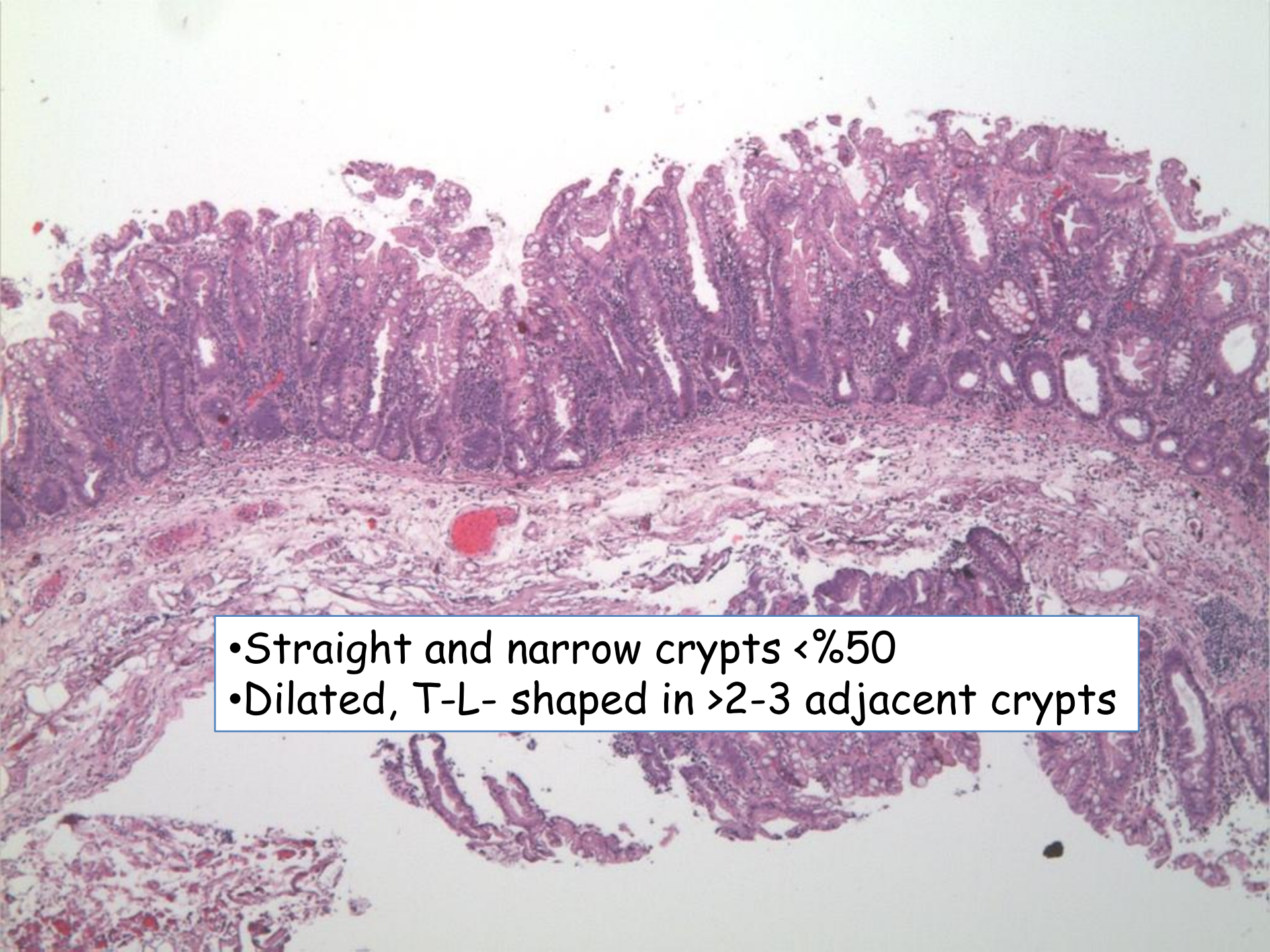
**This is from  
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HPP with  
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cells**

*Torlakavic and Snover, Gastroenterology 1996;110:748-755*








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- A histological section of colonic mucosa stained with hematoxylin and eosin (H&E). The image shows numerous crypts of varying shapes and sizes. Some crypts are straight and narrow, while others are dilated and T-shaped. The crypts are lined by a simple columnar epithelium. The lamina propria is visible between the crypts. A prominent red structure, likely a blood vessel, is visible in the center of the image.
- Straight and narrow crypts <math>< 50\%</math>
  - Dilated, T-L- shaped in >2-3 adjacent crypts



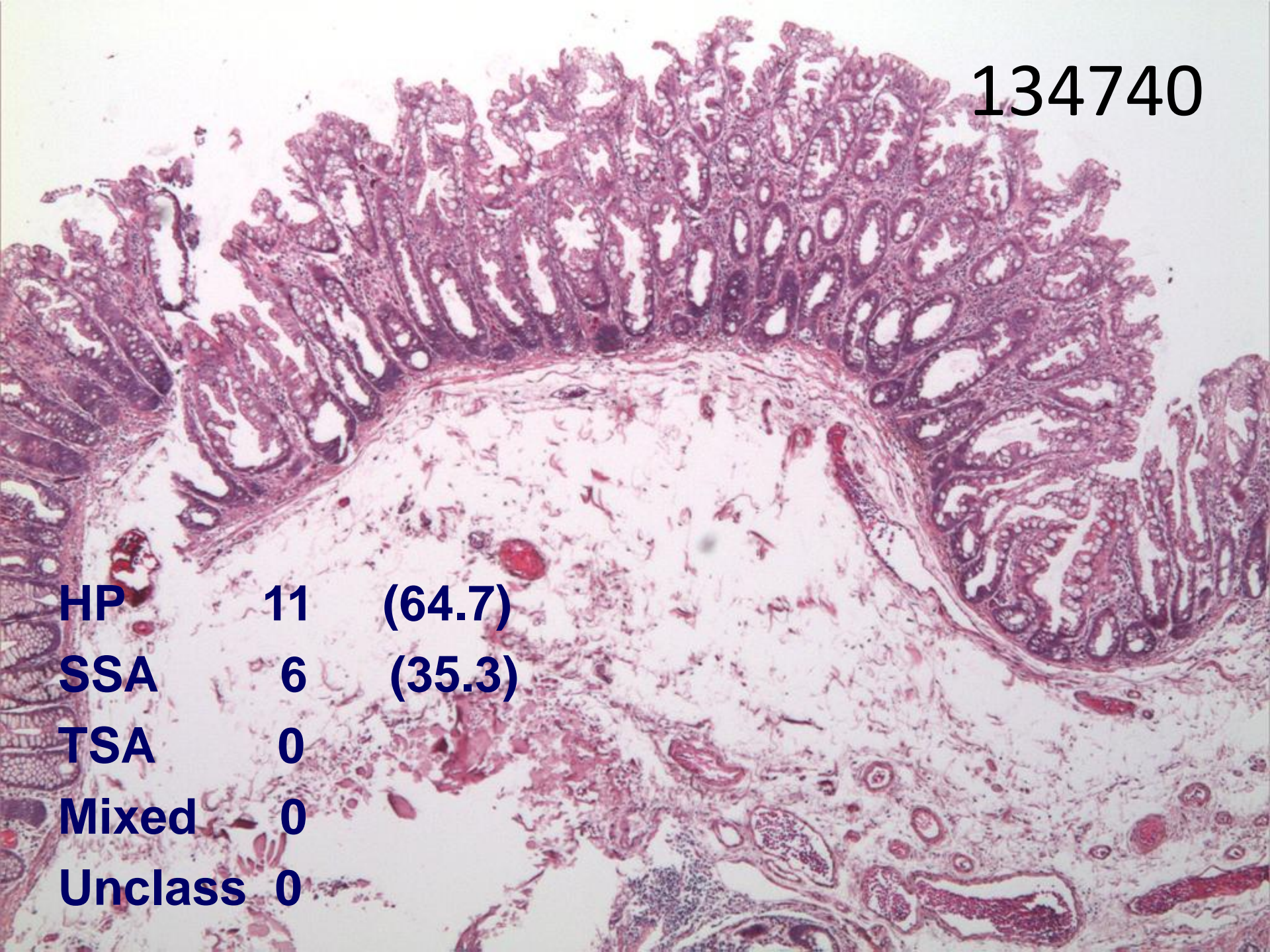
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<b>HP</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>(70.6)</b>
<b>SSA</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>(23.5)</b>
<b>TSA</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>Mixed</b>	<b>0</b>	
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**HP 11 (64.7)**

**SSA 6 (35.3)**

**TSA 0**

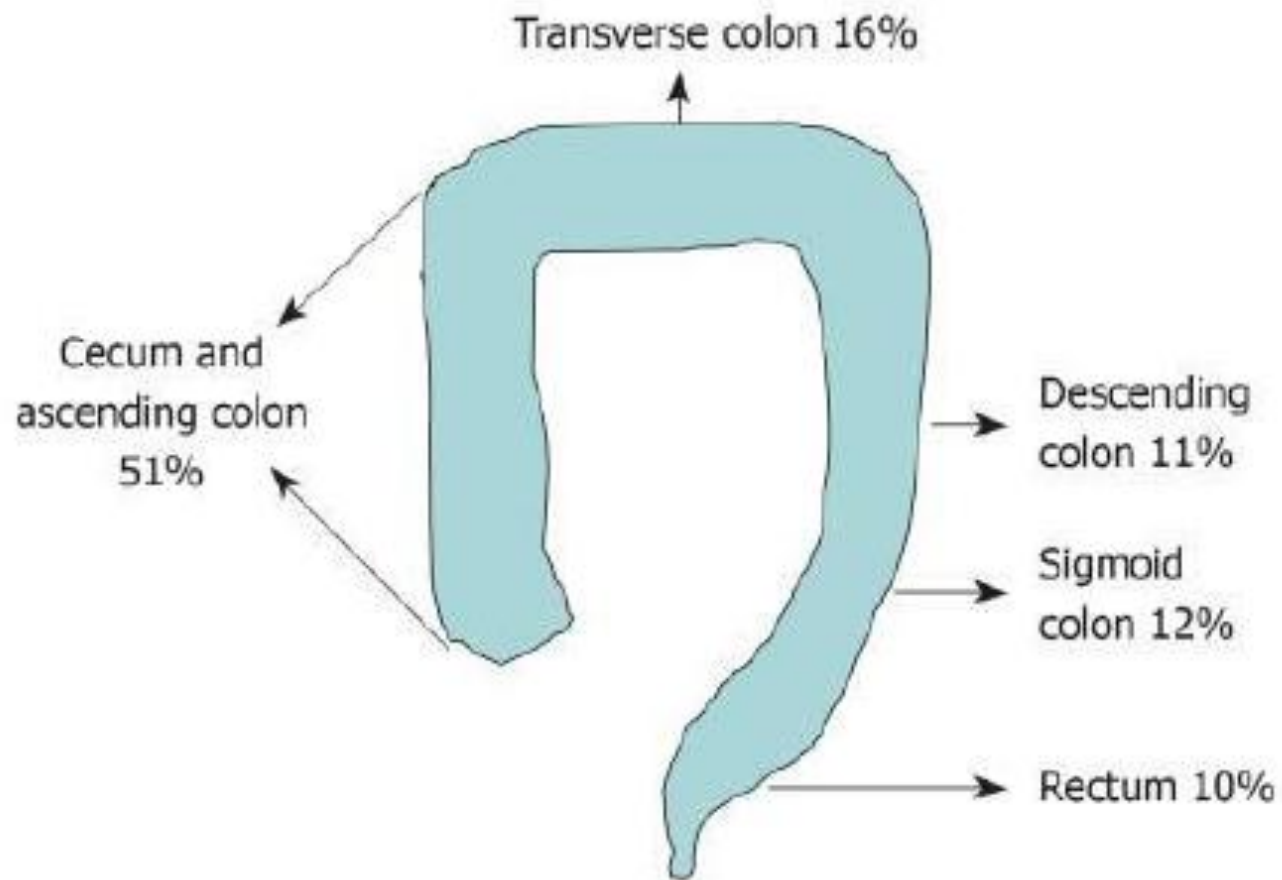
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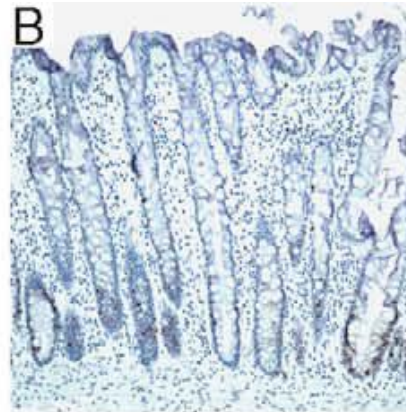
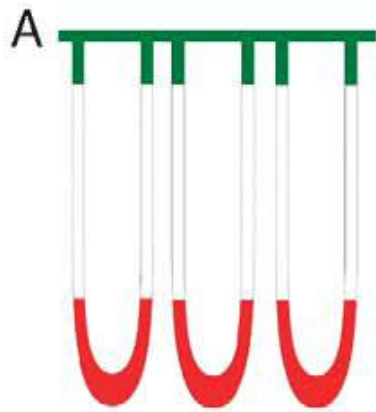
# Topographical distribution of SSA/P

Gurudu et al. WGL 2010;16:3402



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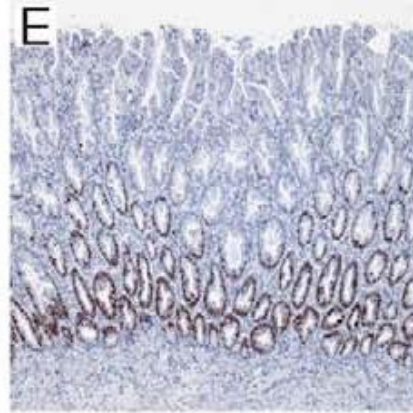
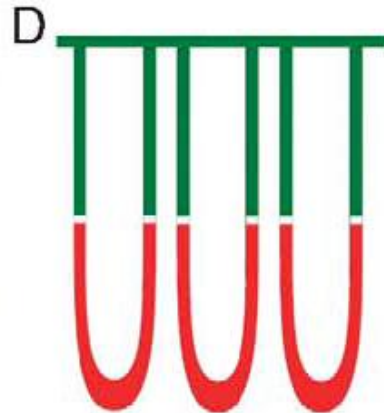


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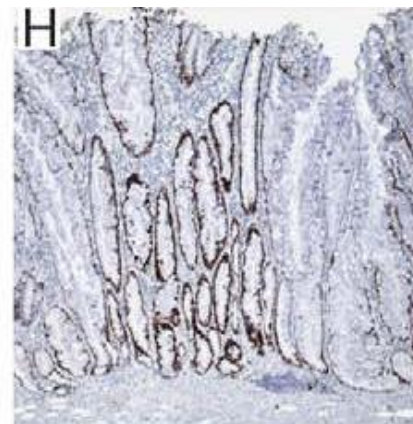
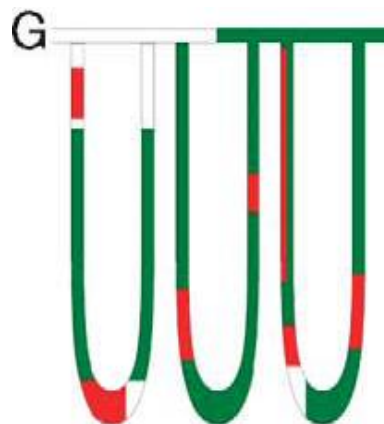


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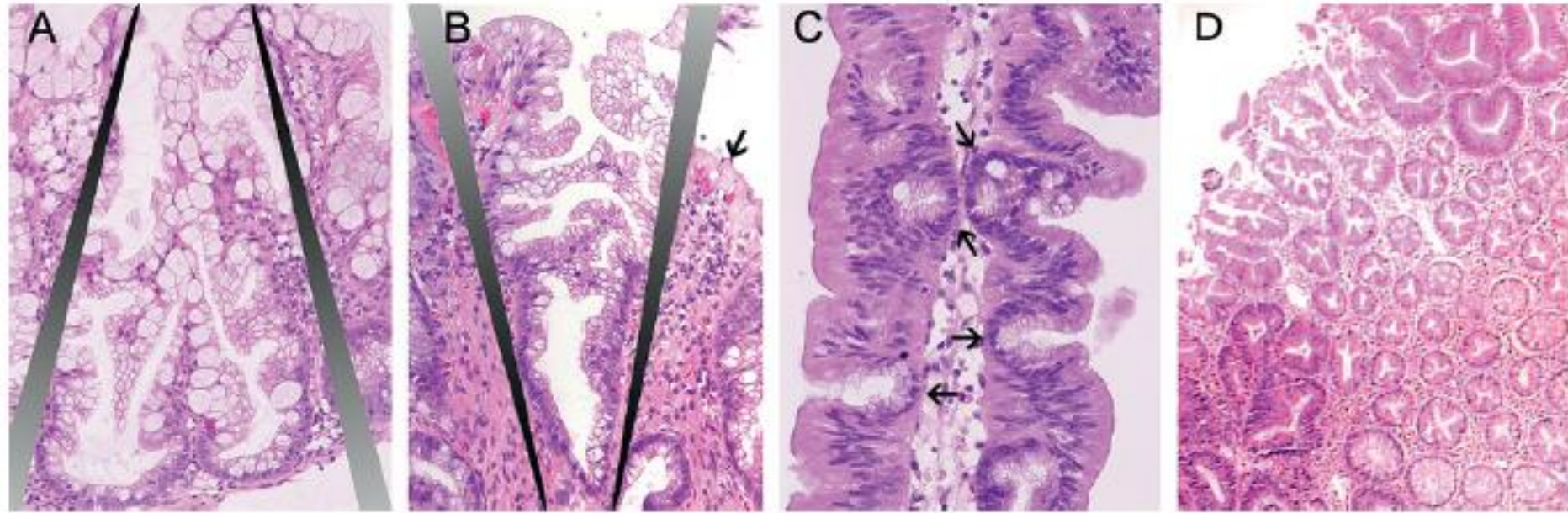


proliferation



## Morphological characteristics of serrated lesions

	SSA/P	HP
Location	Right colon	Rectosigmoid
Shape	Flat	Flat, protuberant
Size	> 5mm	< 5mm
Dysplasia	Typically absent, can be present	Absent
Subepithelial collagen band	Absent	Present
Surface maturation	Present	Present
Basal crypt dilation	Present	Absent
Horizontal crypts	Present	Absent
Branched crypts	Present	Absent
Basal crypt serration	Present	Absent
Nuclear shape	Round to oval	Flat to low columnar
Cytoplasmic eosinophilia	Present	Inconspicuous

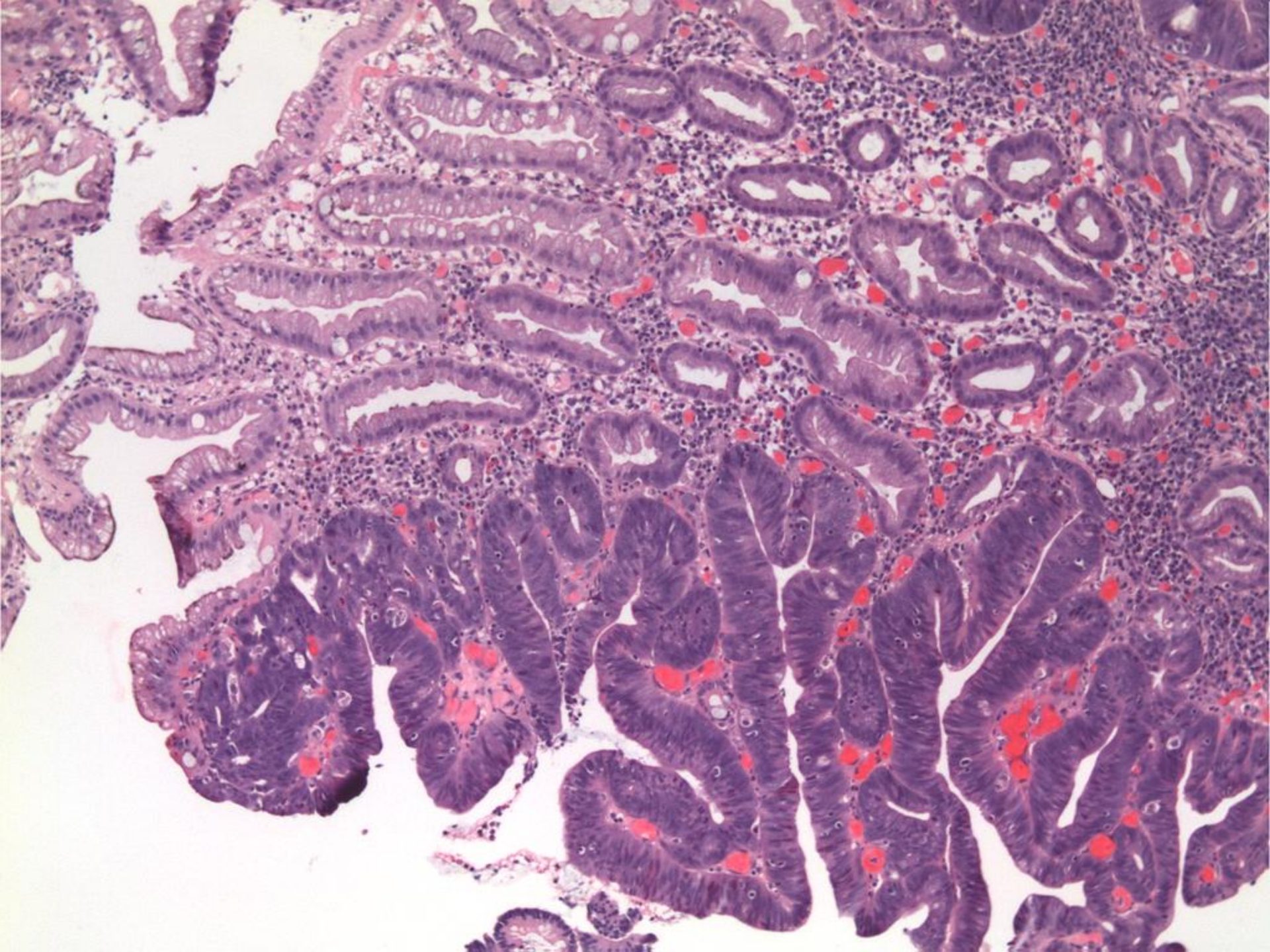


**Figure 1** (A) Crypts showing basal dilation and serration in a 'crescendo' fashion in sessile serrated adenomas/polyps (H&E,  $\times 200$ ). (B) Hyperplastic polyp with crypt showing epithelial serration and dilatation in the upper part (ie, 'decrescendo' pattern) (H&E,  $\times 200$ ). Note broad basement membrane (arrow). (C) Ectopic crypts (arrows) in traditional serrated adenoma (H&E,  $\times 200$ ). (D) Admixed polyp with areas of hyperplastic polyp and tubular adenoma (H&E,  $\times 100$ ).

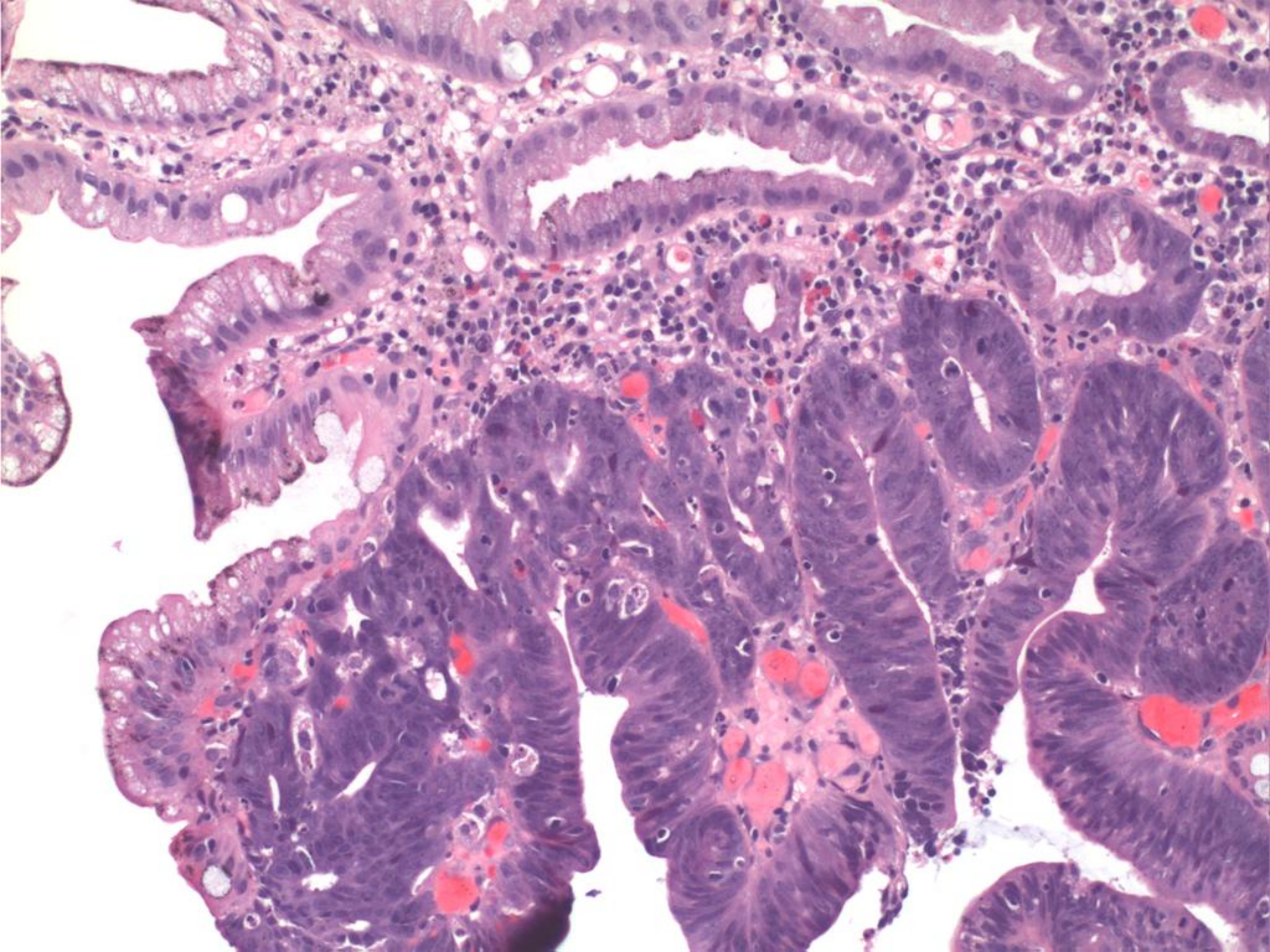


# Dysplasia in serrated polyps

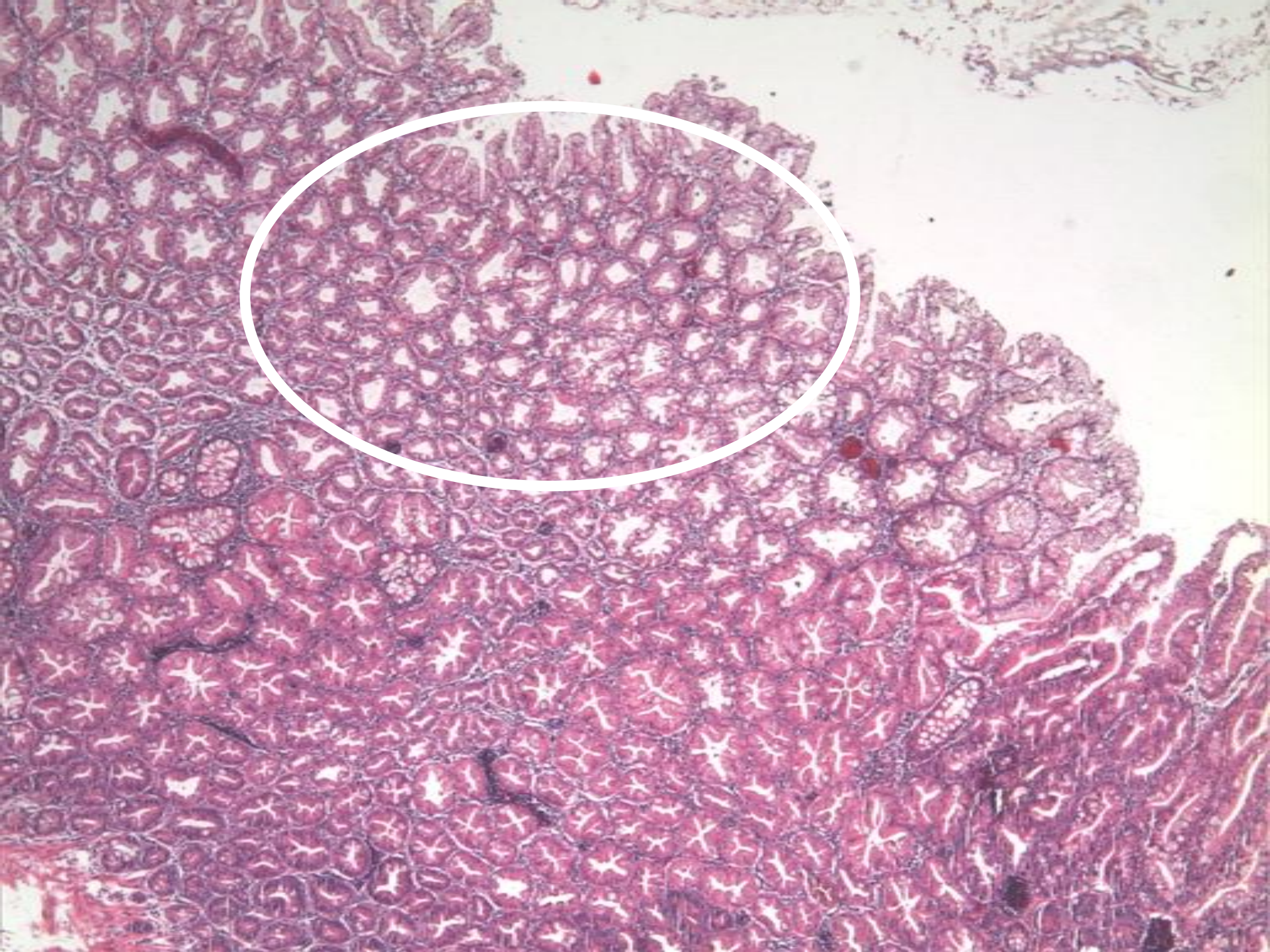
- Premalignant lesion
- LG and HG dysplasia can occur
- SSA/P with dysplasia-replaces "mixed polyp"
- Traditional -adenomatous- dysplasia
- Serrated dysplasia (Goldstein, 2008)
  - enlarged round nuclei
  - irregular nuclear membrane
  - prominent nucleoli
  - coarse chromatin



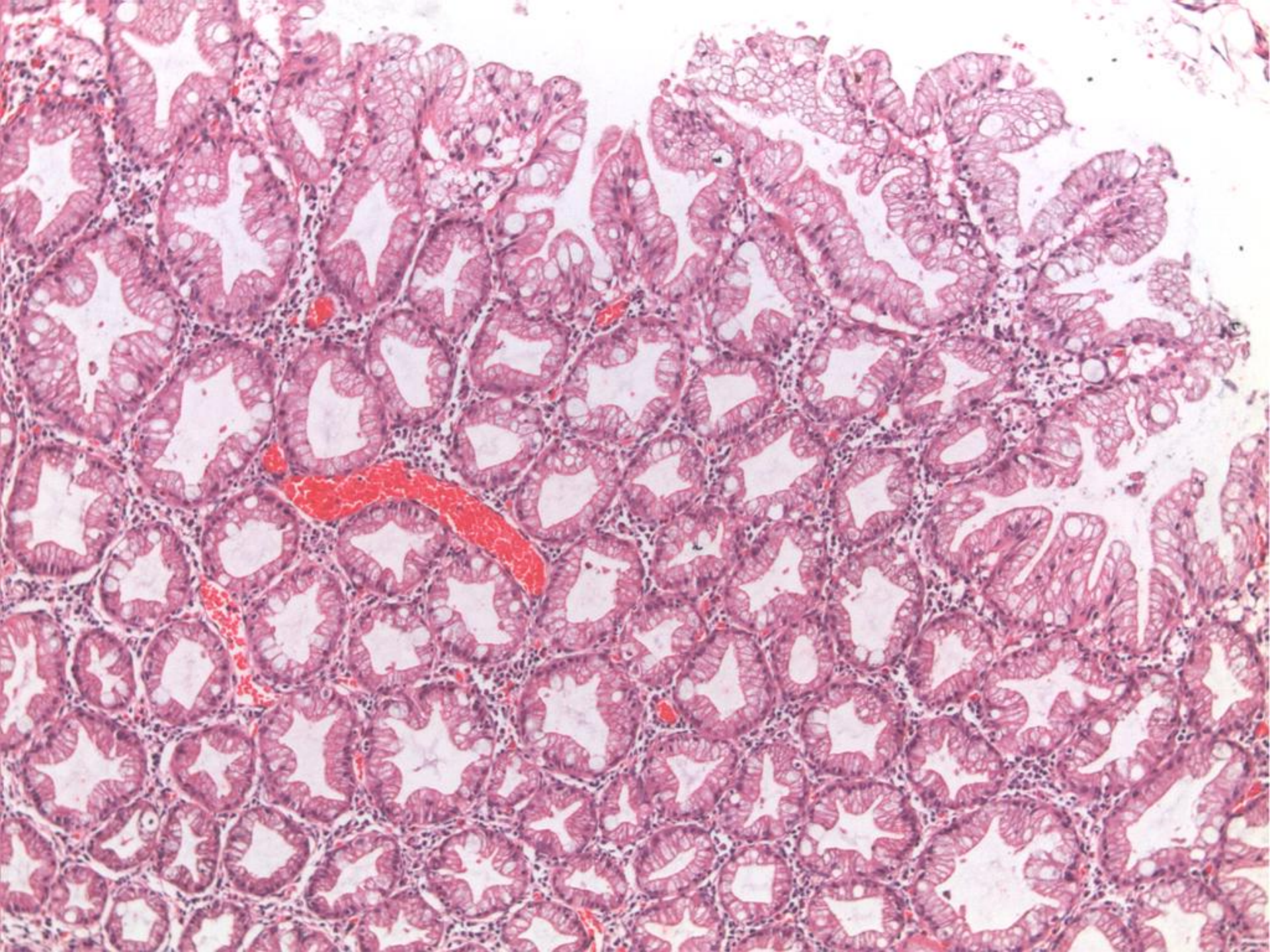




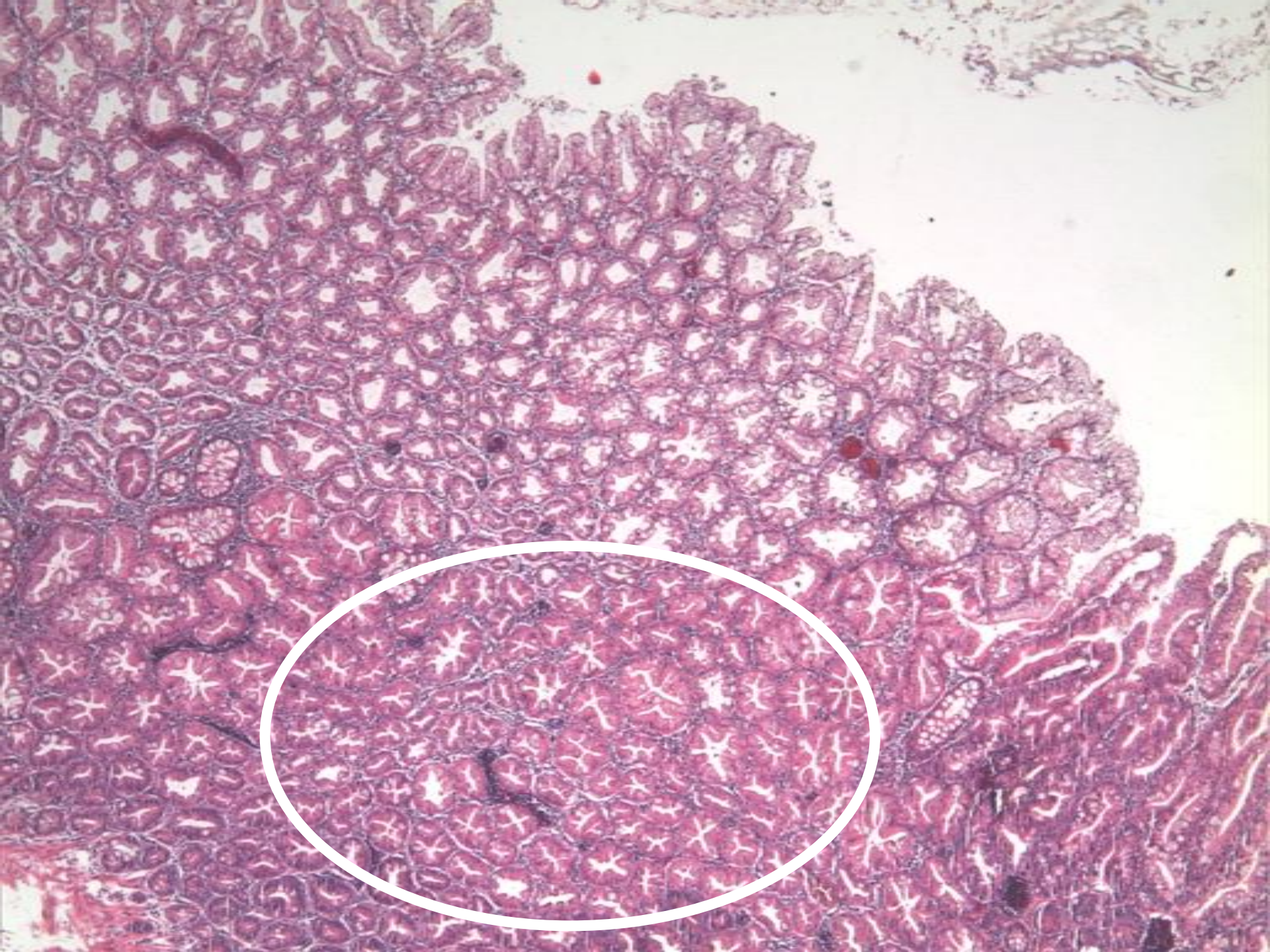




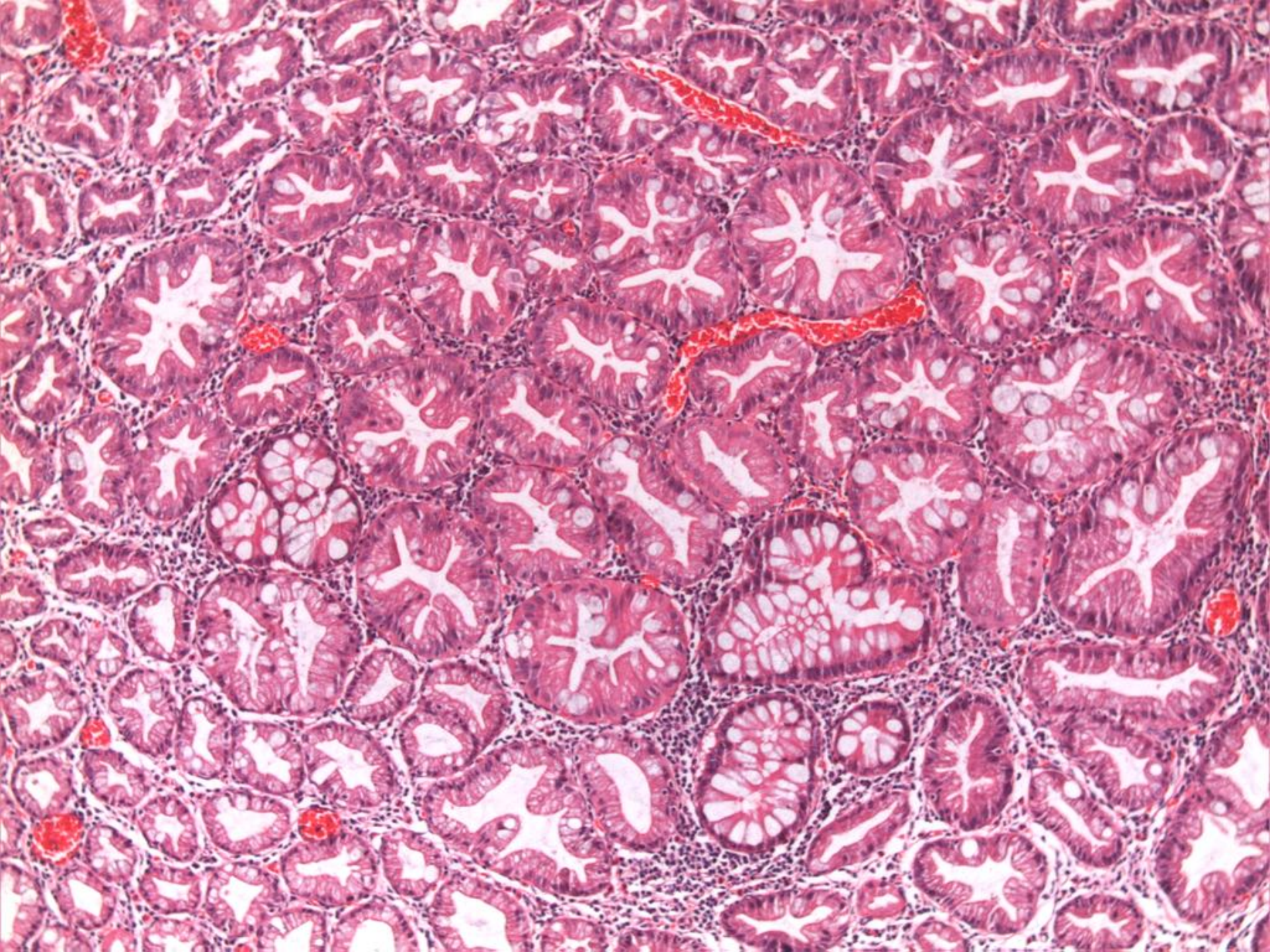




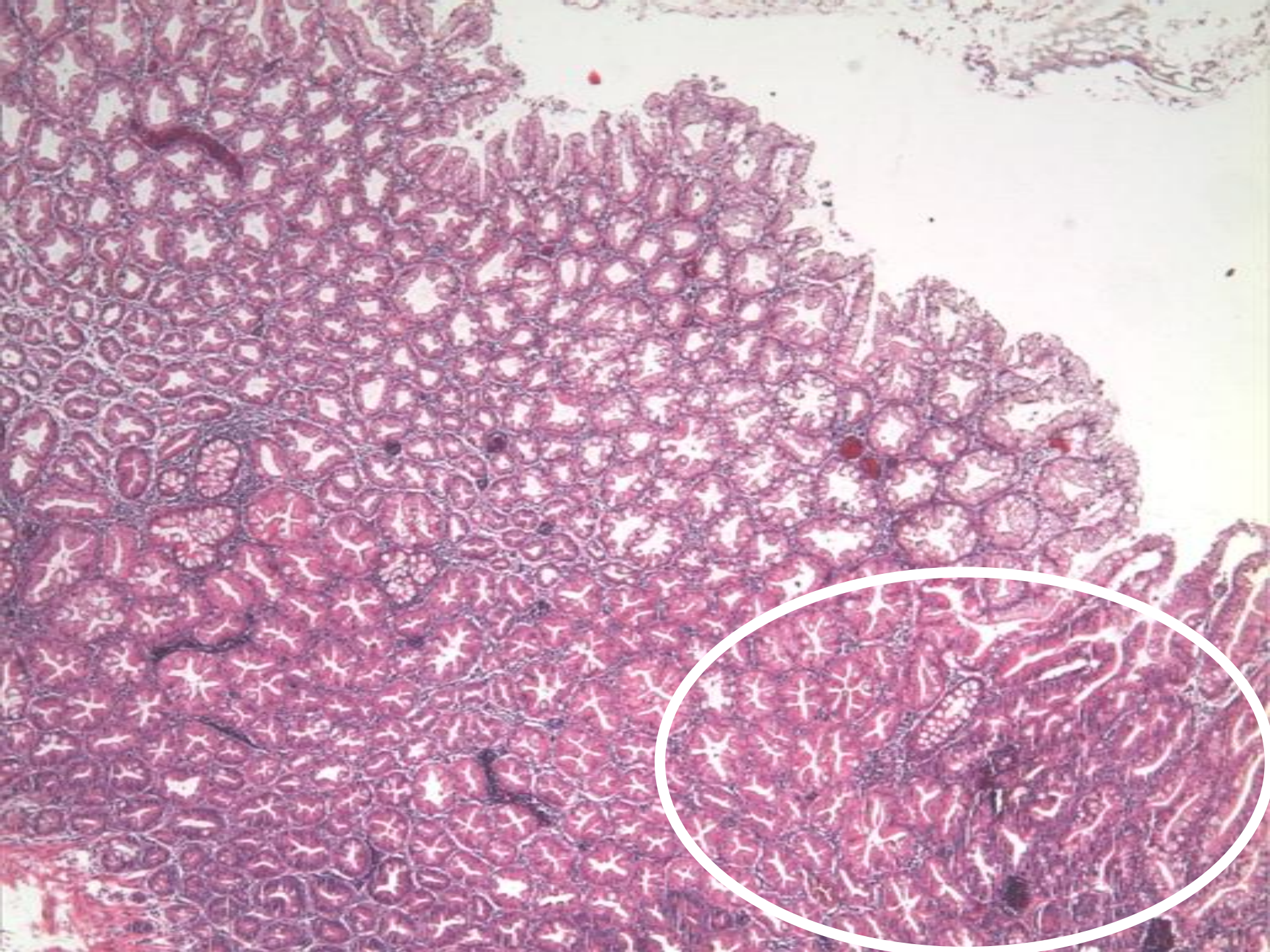




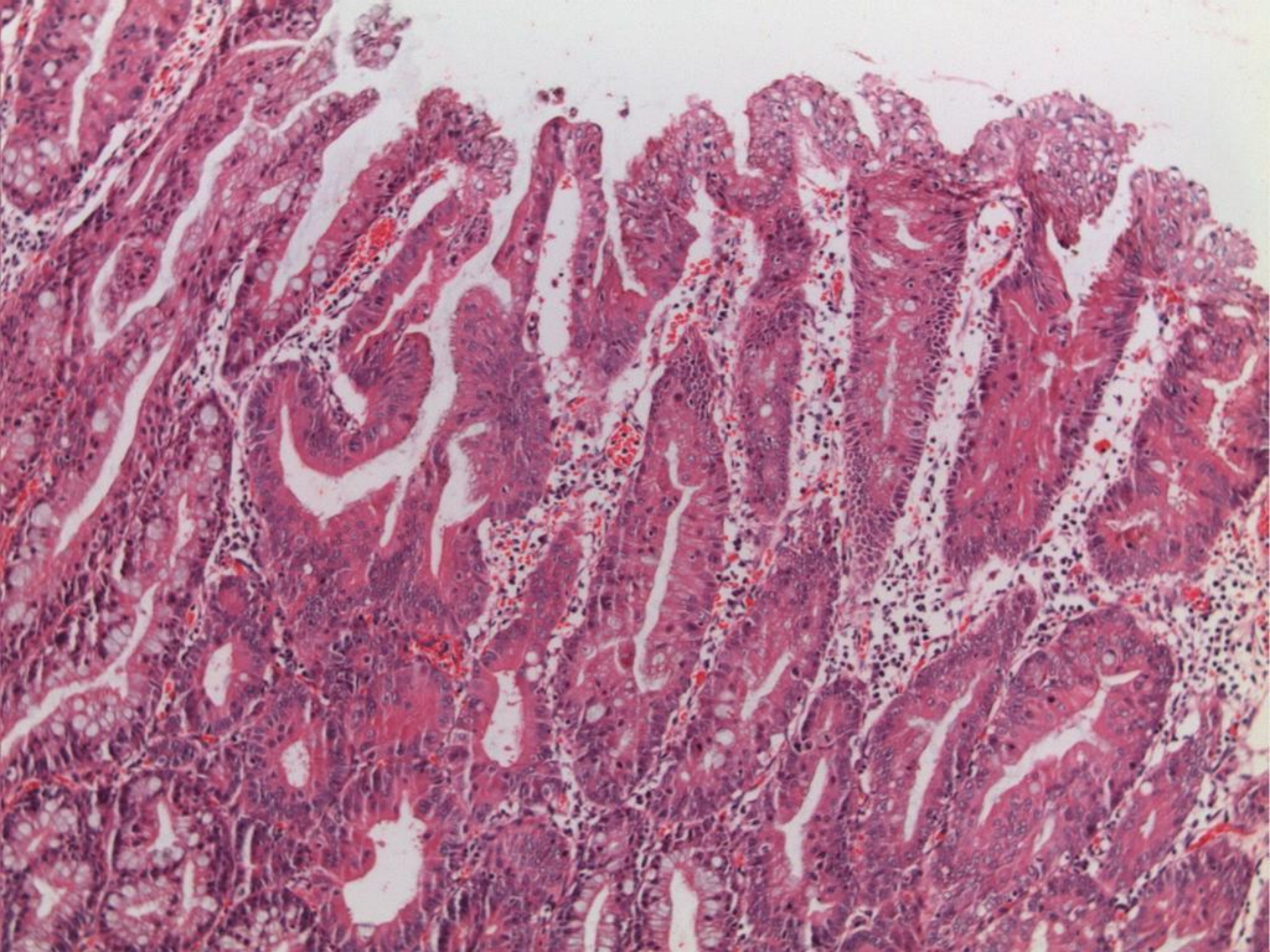




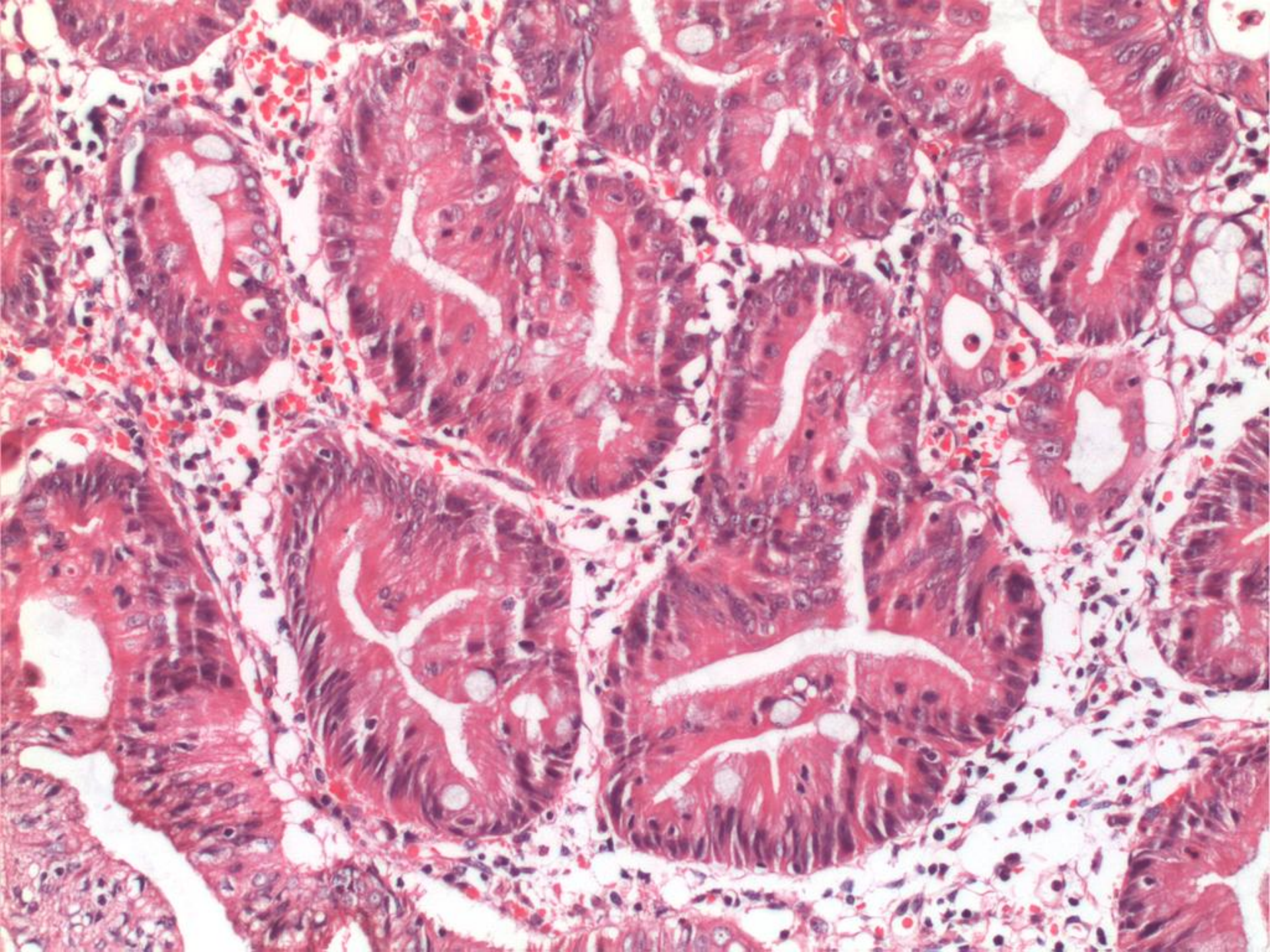




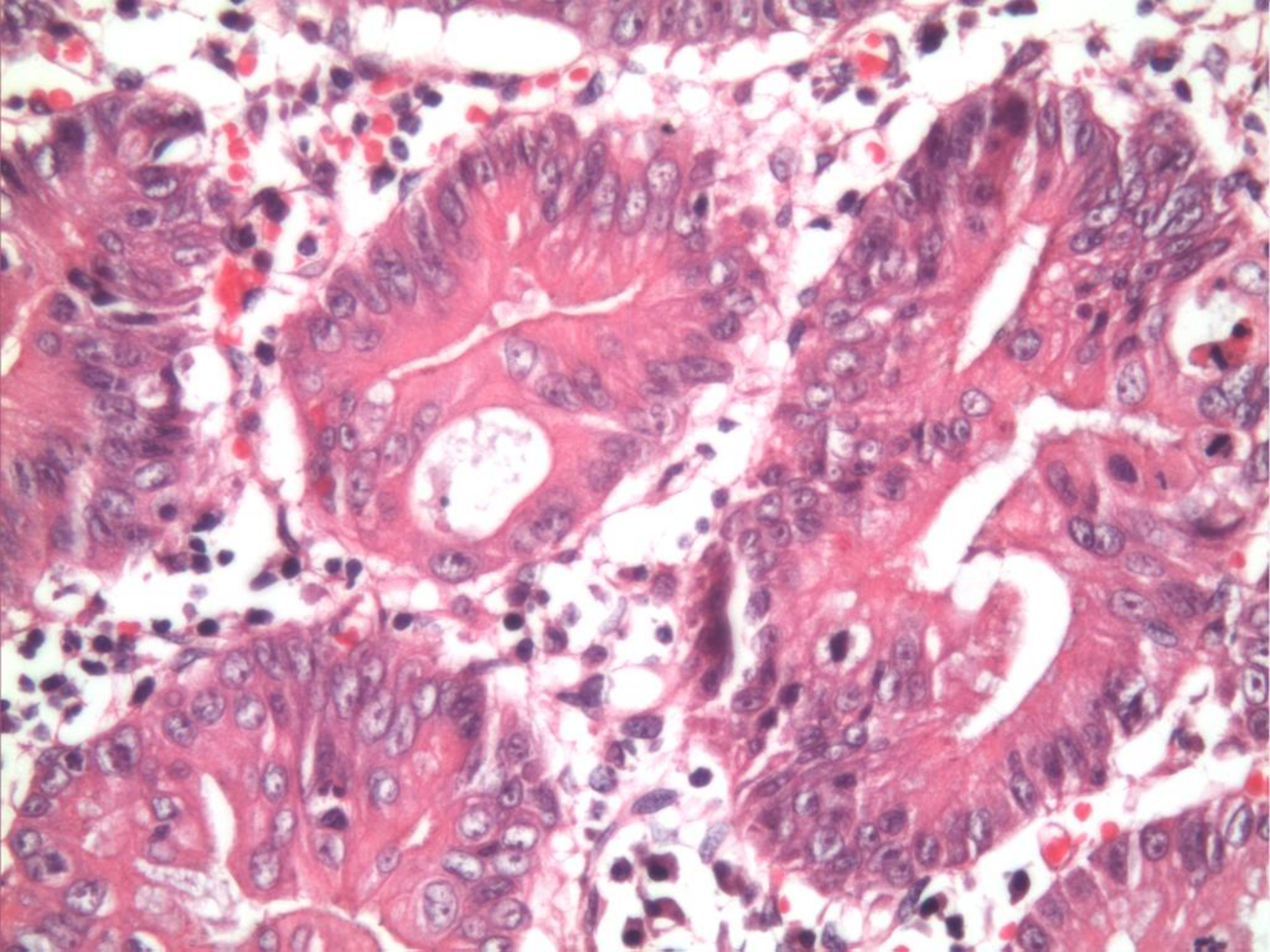






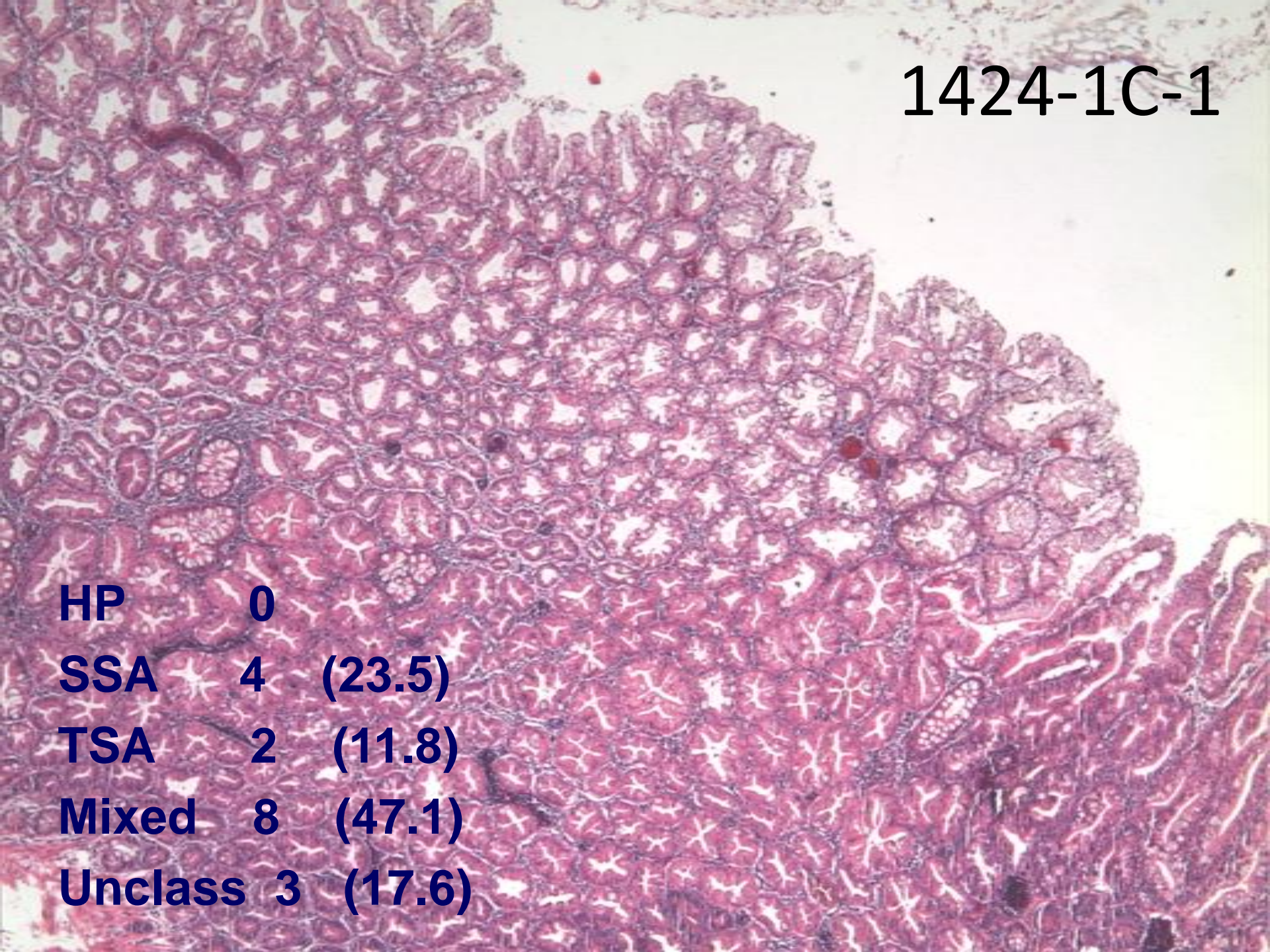








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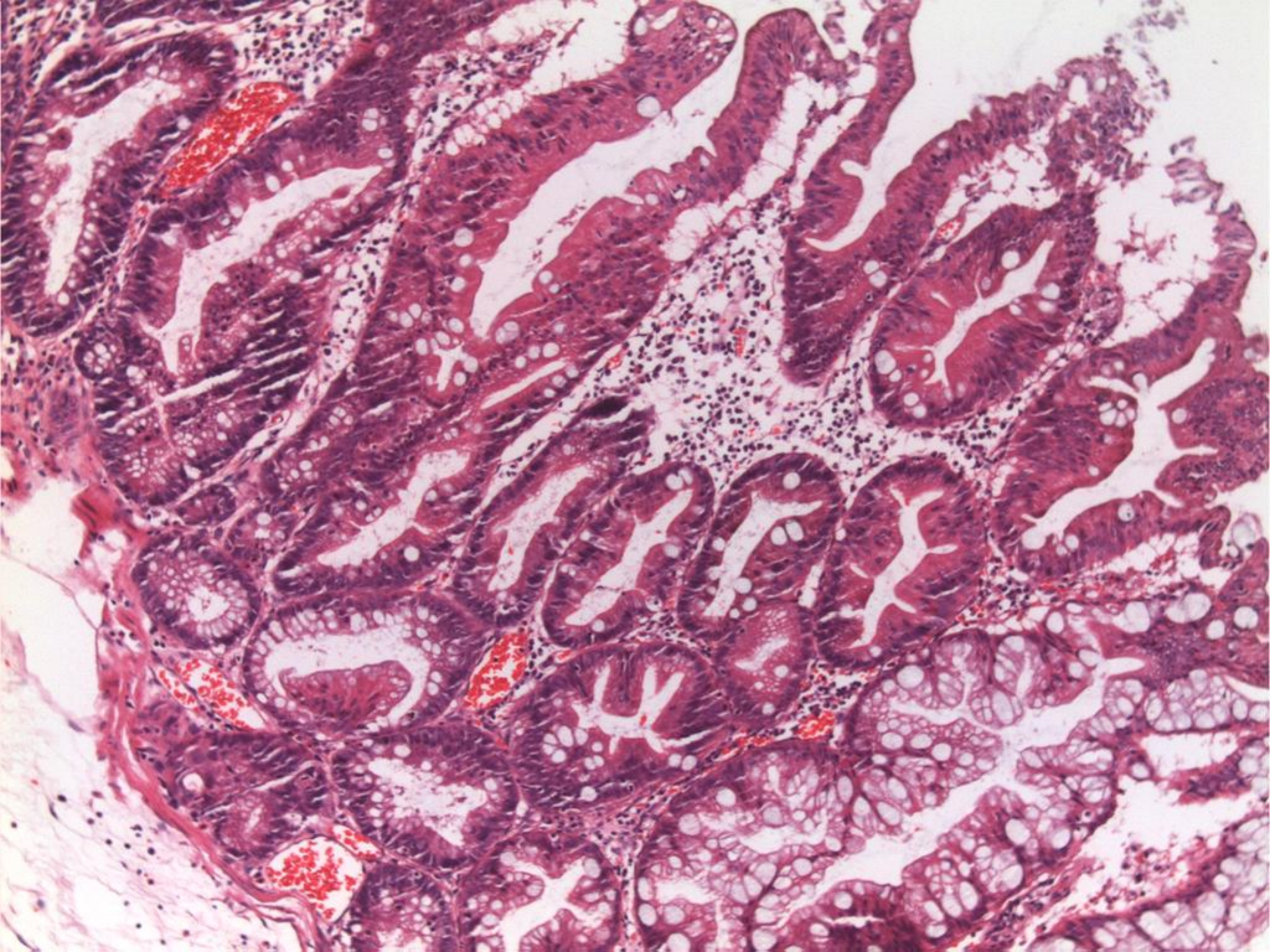


<b>HP</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>SSA</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>(23.5)</b>
<b>TSA</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>(11.8)</b>
<b>Mixed</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>(47.1)</b>
<b>Unclass</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>(17.6)</b>

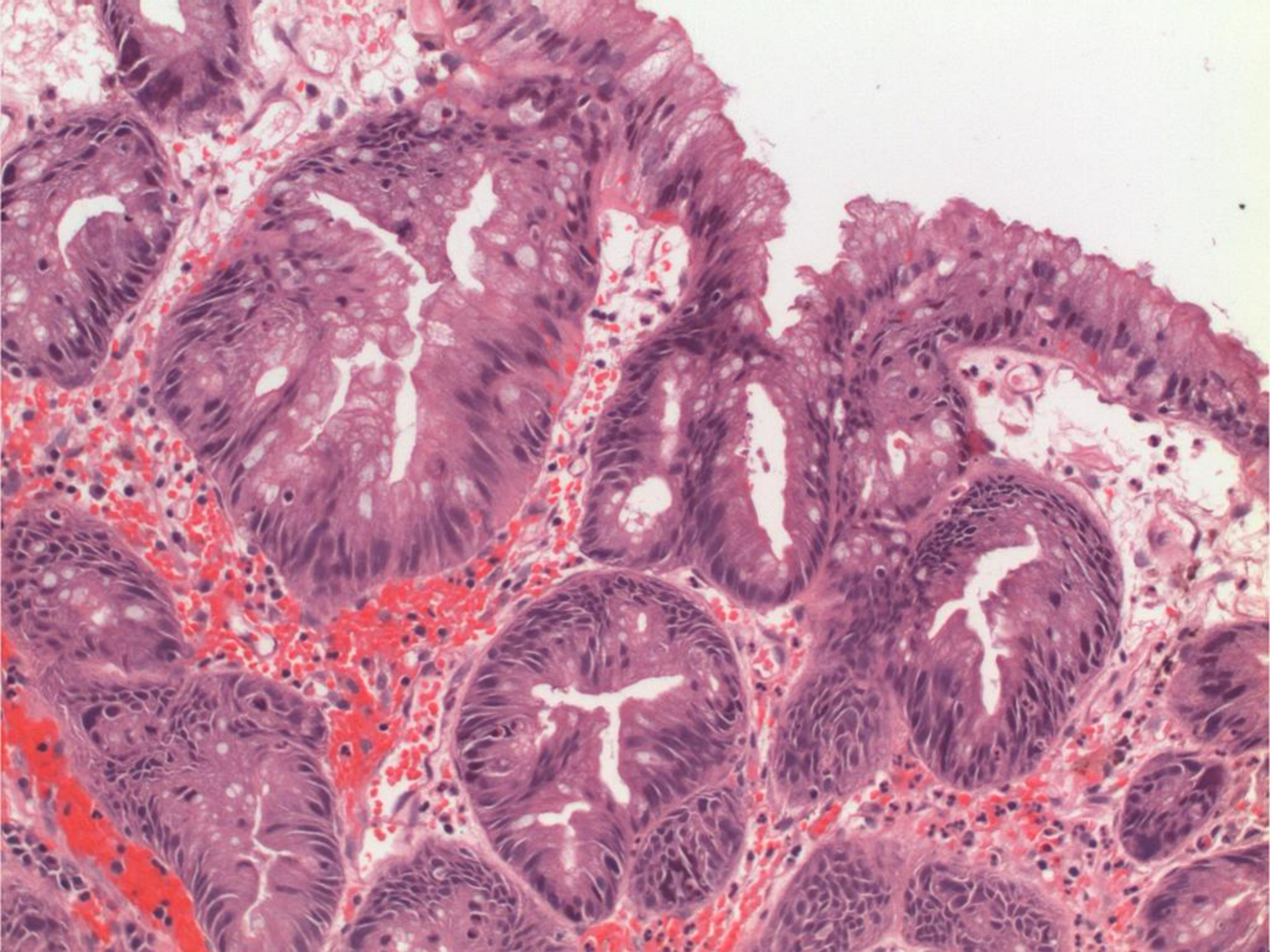




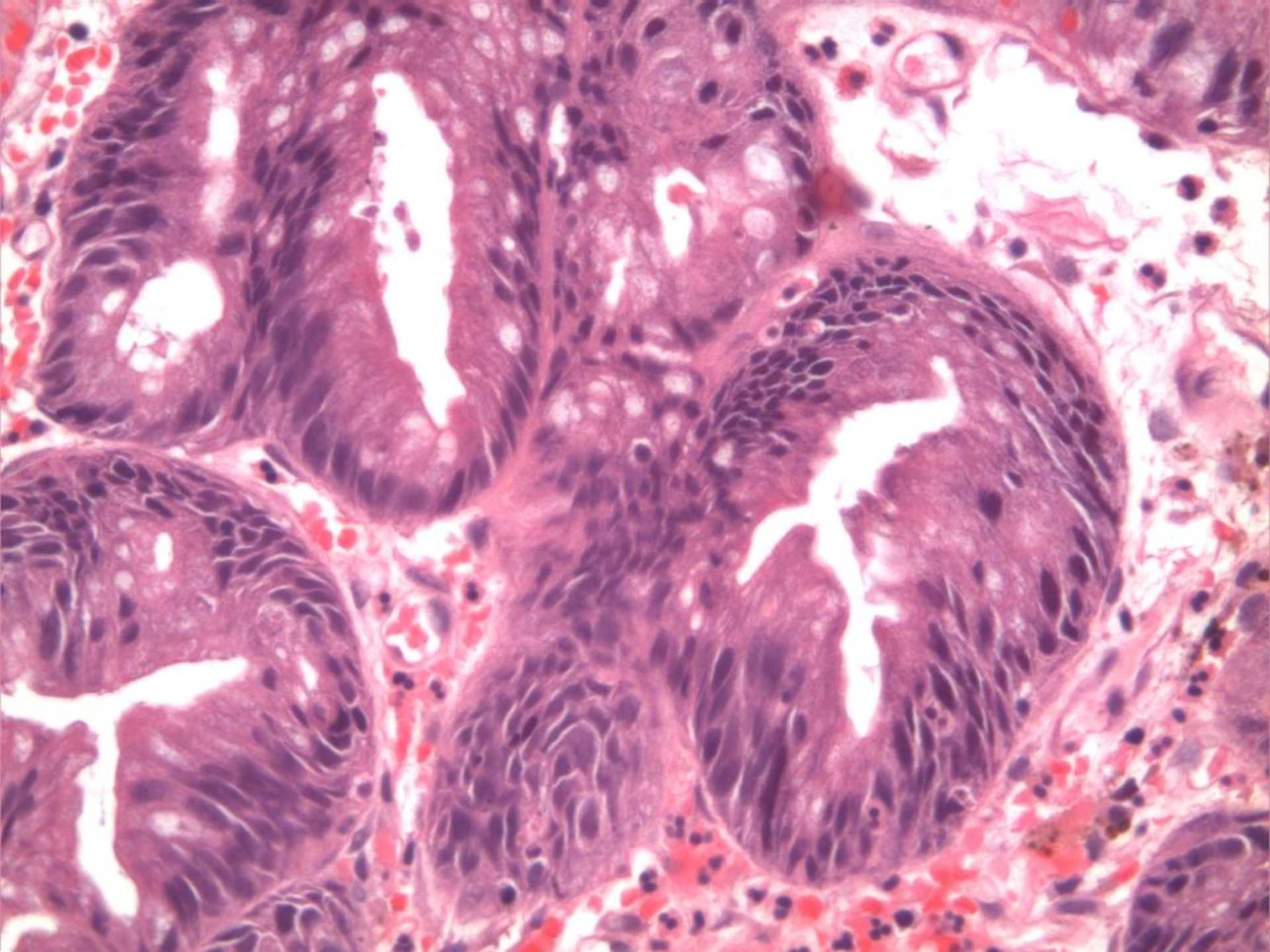




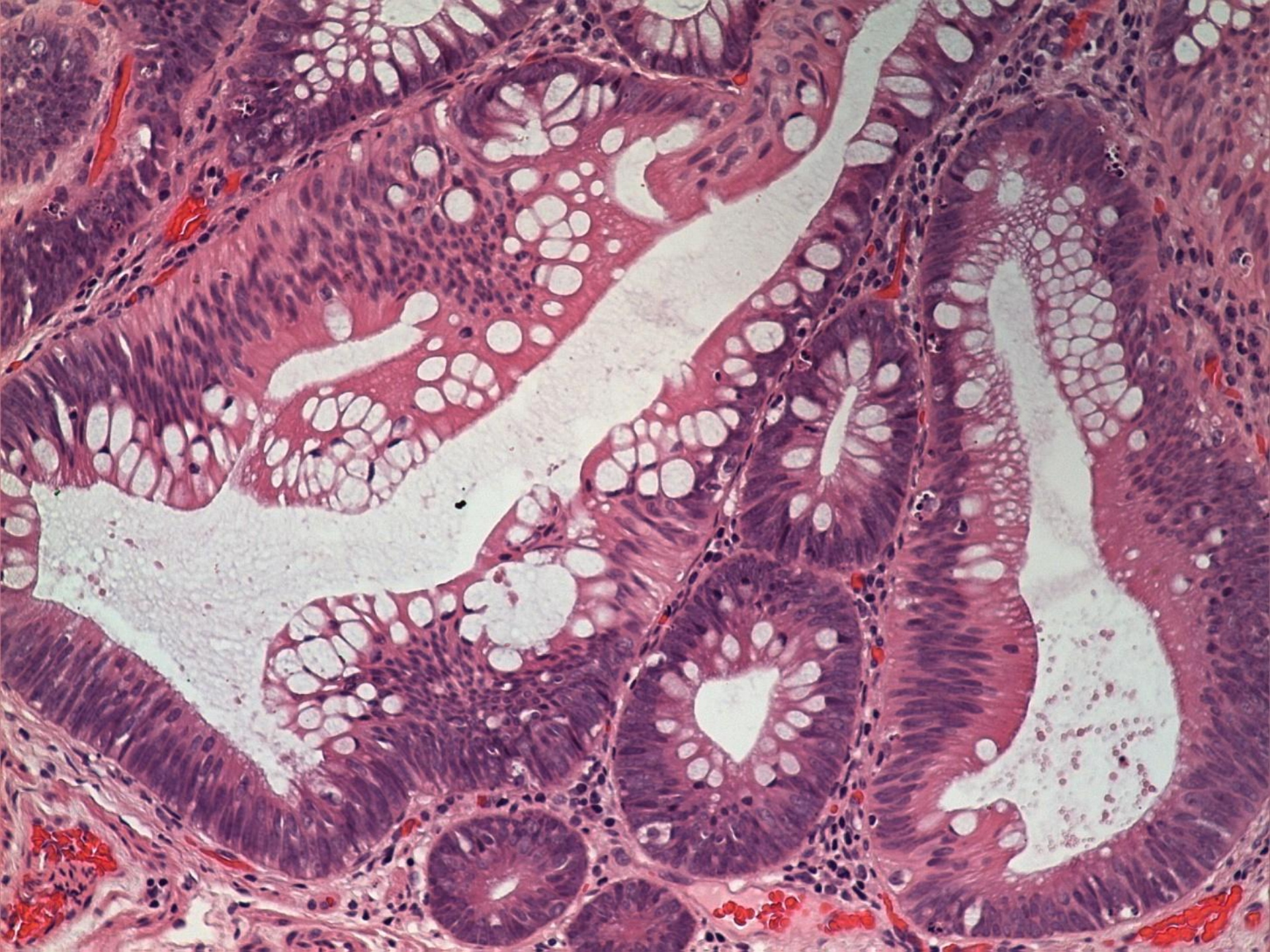








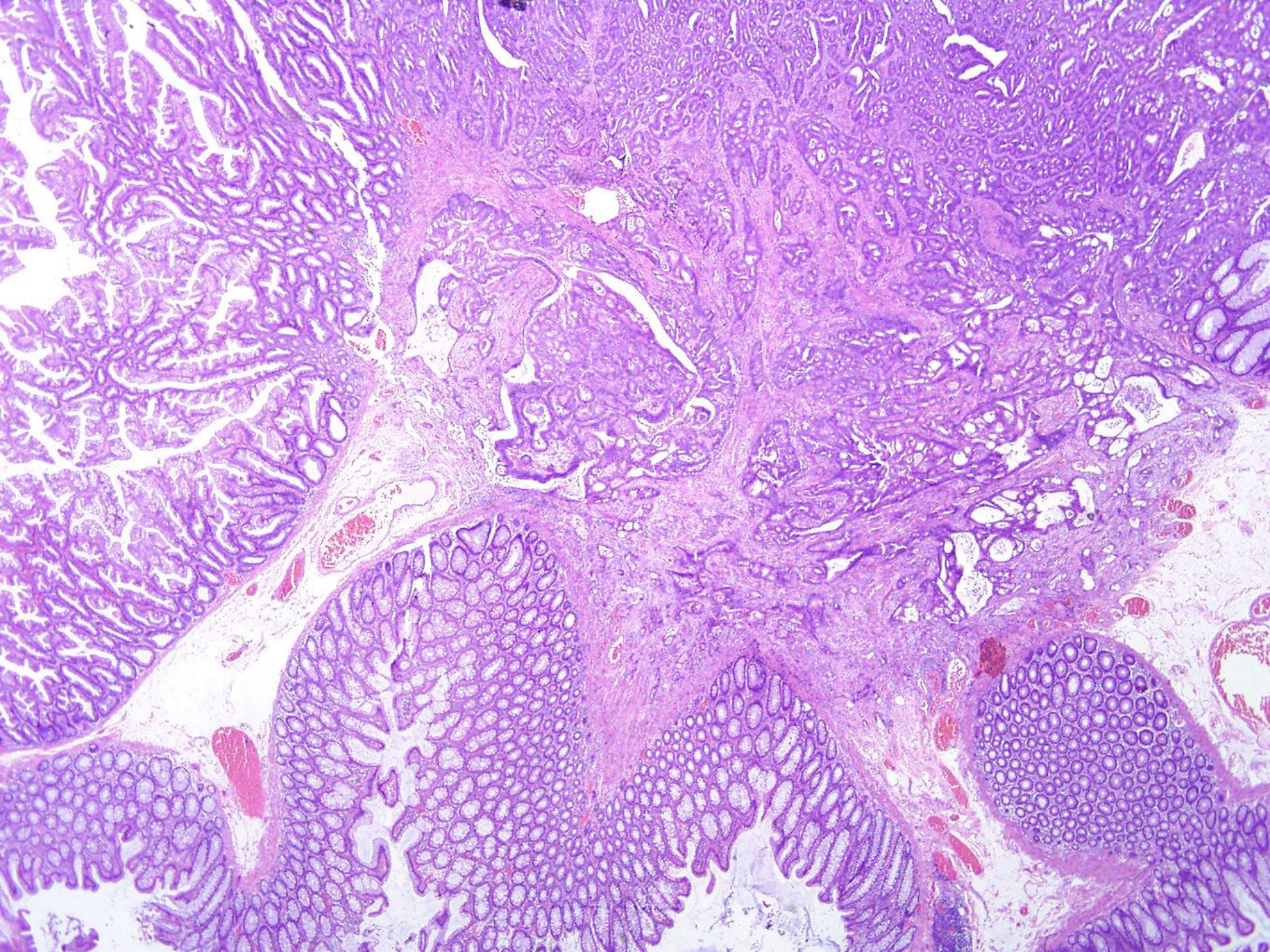




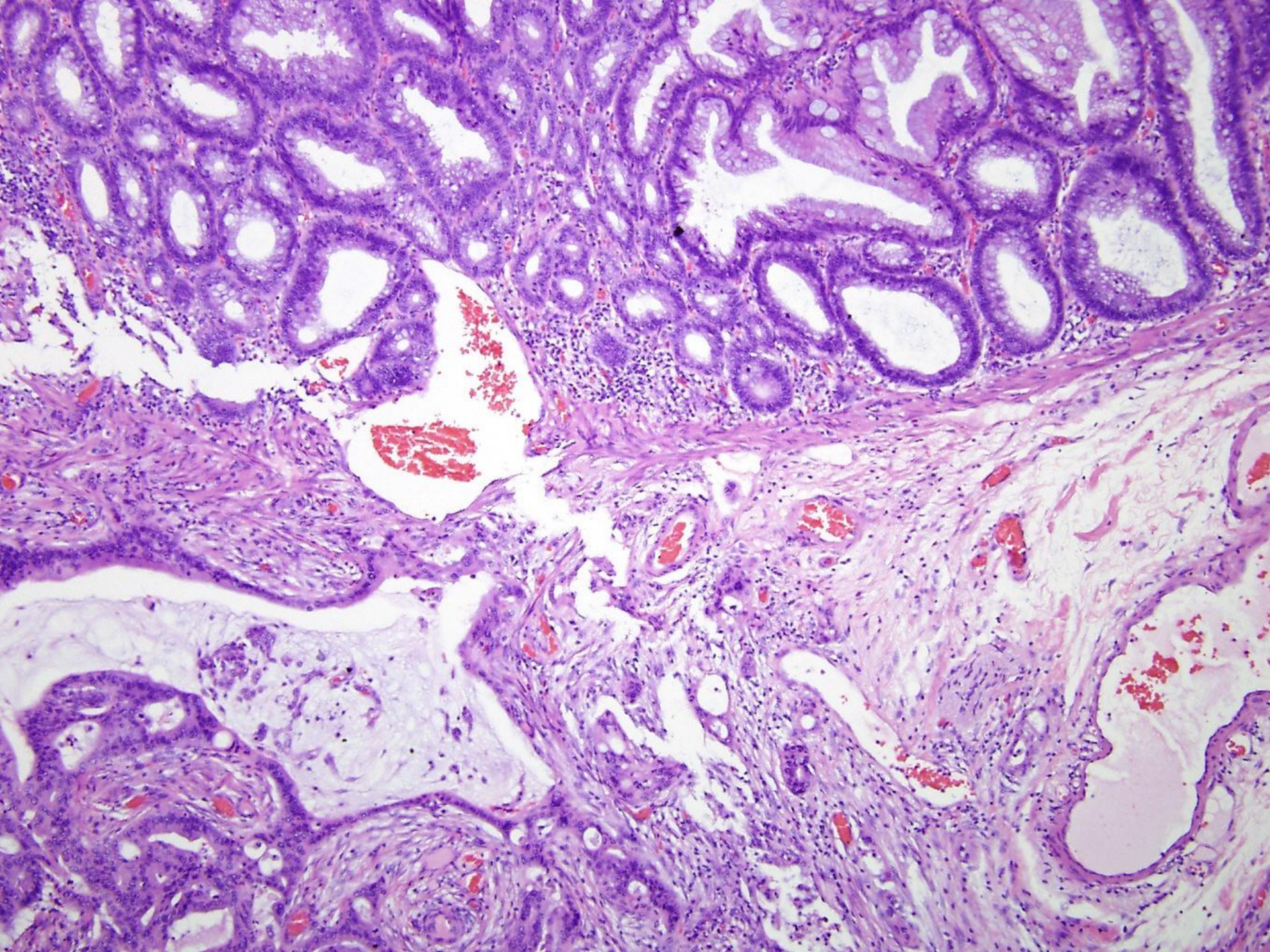


Type	Synonyms	Histological features <sup>a</sup>				Genetic features <sup>b</sup>			
		Crypts	Proliferation	Cytological dysplasia	Mucin type	BRAF mutation	KRAS mutation	CIMP	MLH1 methylation
SSA/P	Serrated polyp with abnormal proliferation; giant hyperplastic polyp; variant hyperplastic polyp	Crypts distorted, often dilated near base, excess serration near base	Proliferation abnormally located often away from the base of the crypts, variable from crypt to crypt	No	Usually microvesicular, sometimes with goblet cells or gastric foveolar differentiation	+++	-	+++	-
SSA/P with cytological dysplasia	Mixed hyperplastic-adenomatous polyp; advanced SSA/P	As for SSA/P	As for SSA/P but with more proliferation in cytologically dysplastic areas	Present	As for SSA/P	+++	-	+++	++











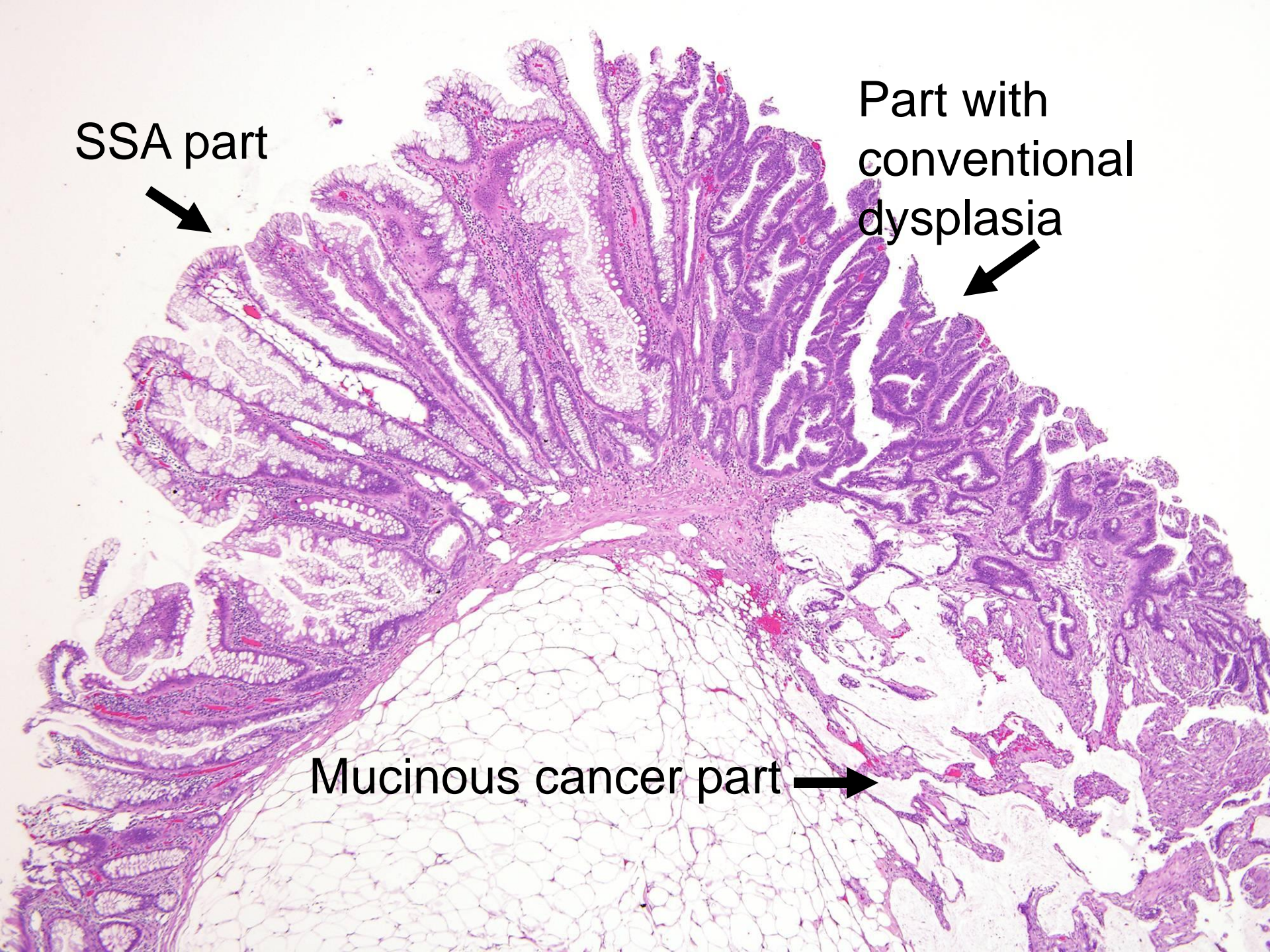
SSA part



Part with  
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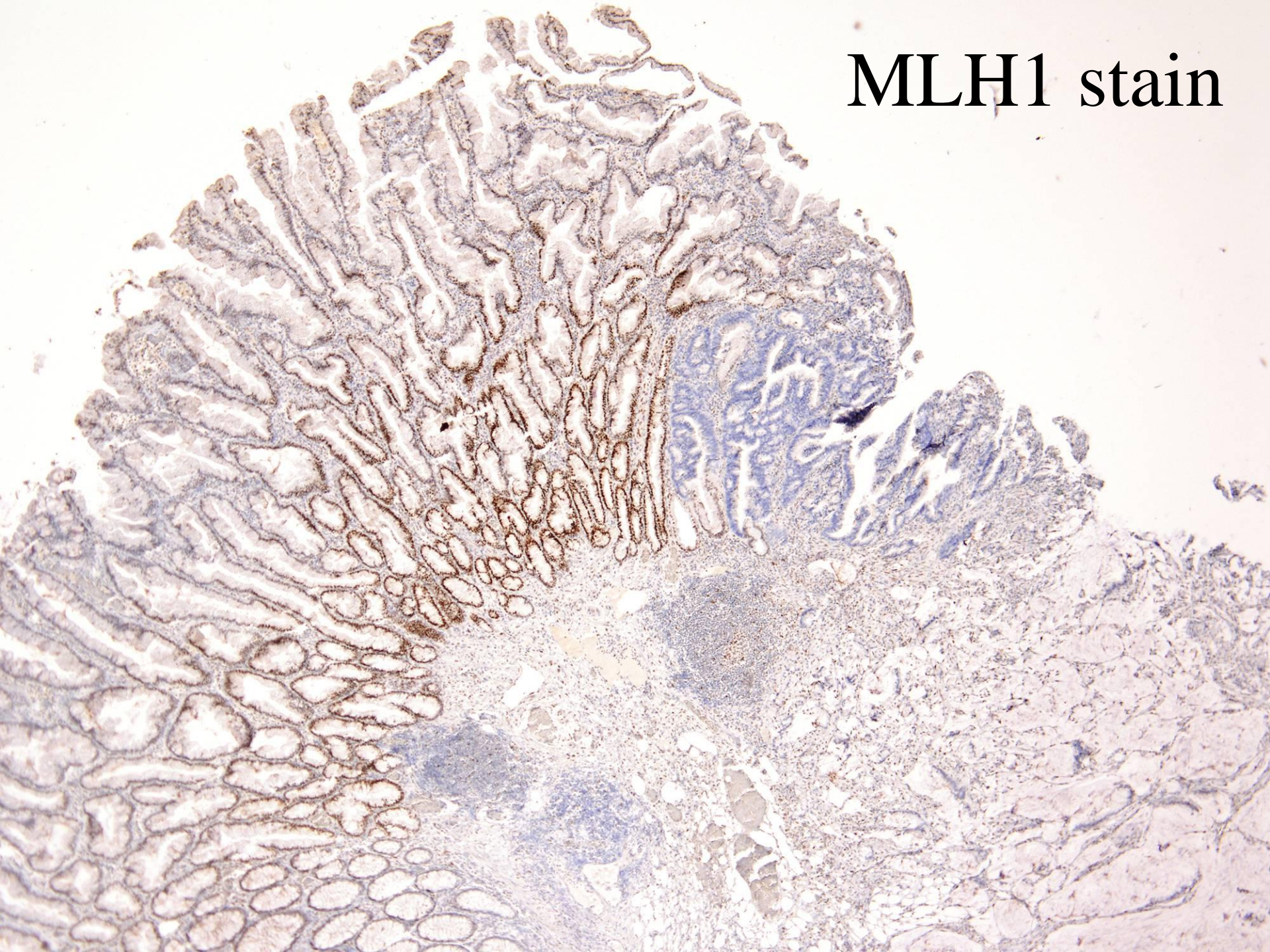


Mucinous cancer part

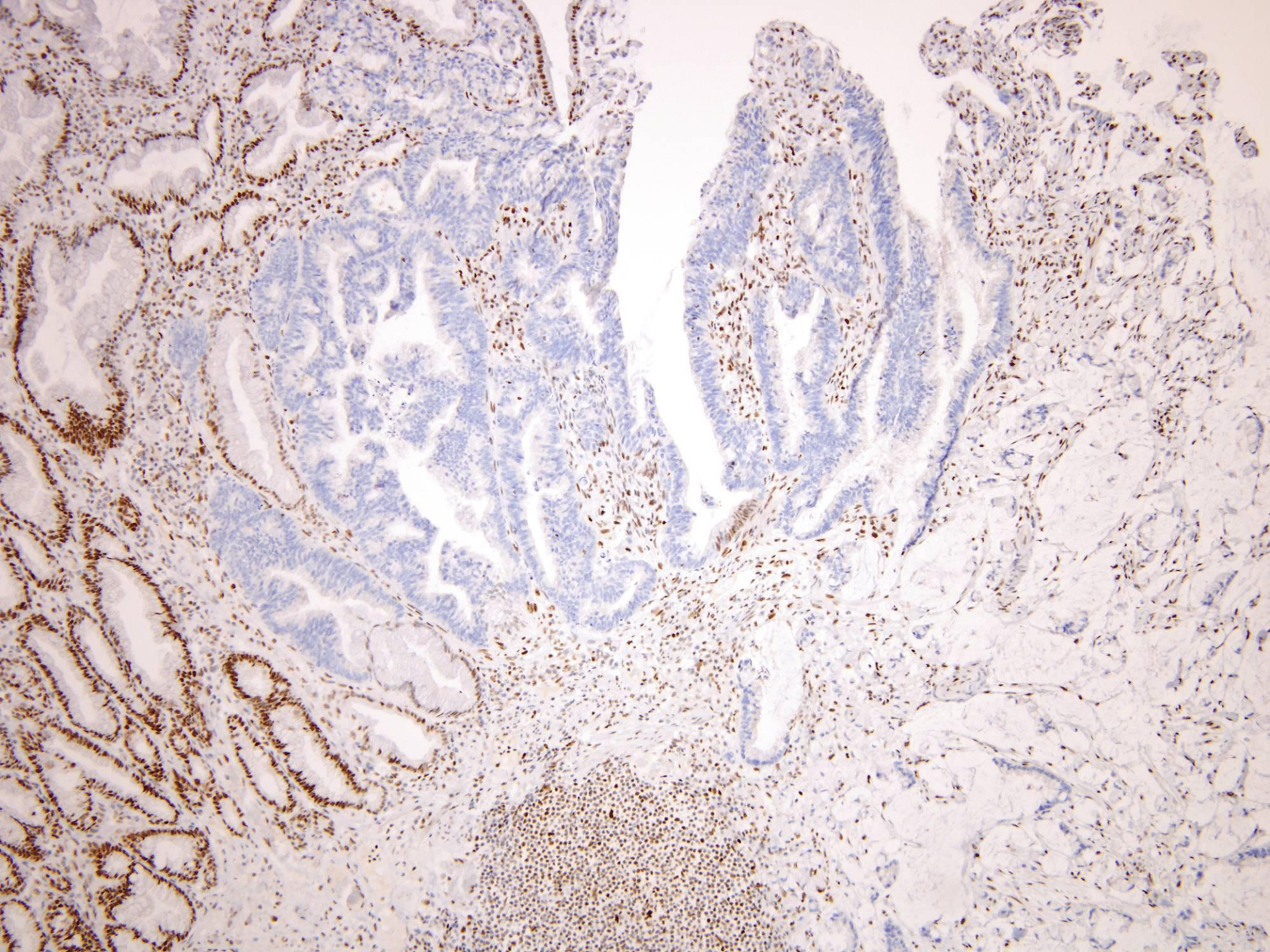




MLH1 stain





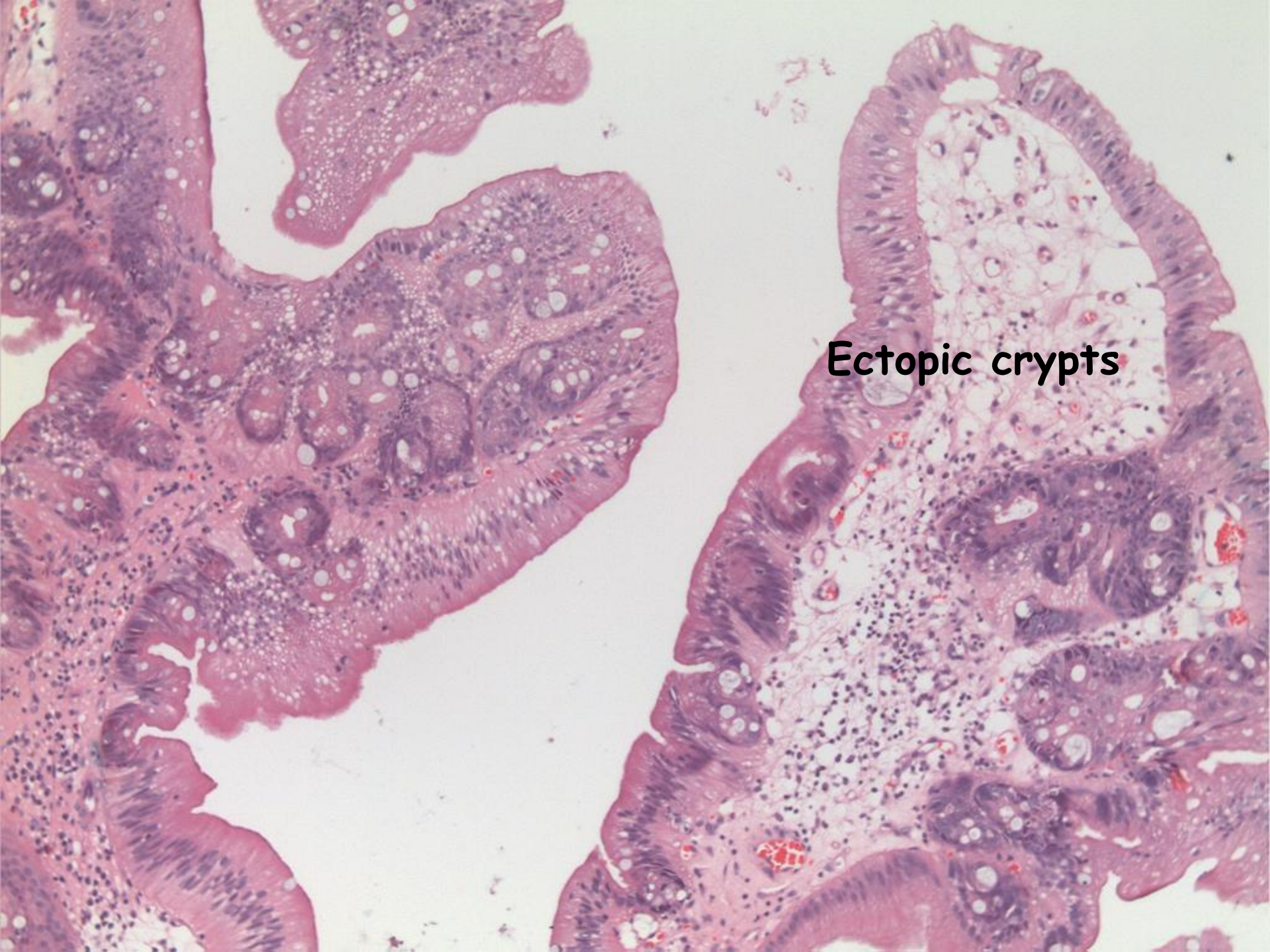




# TSA

- Entire colon (mostly left)
- > 1cm, protuberant/pedunculated
- Villiform surface, complex architecture
- Irregular, branching crypts
- Ectopic crypts
- Eosinophilic cytoplasm
- Mild pseudostratification (midphasic nuclei)
- No surface maturation





**Ectopic crypts**



**Ectopic crypts**



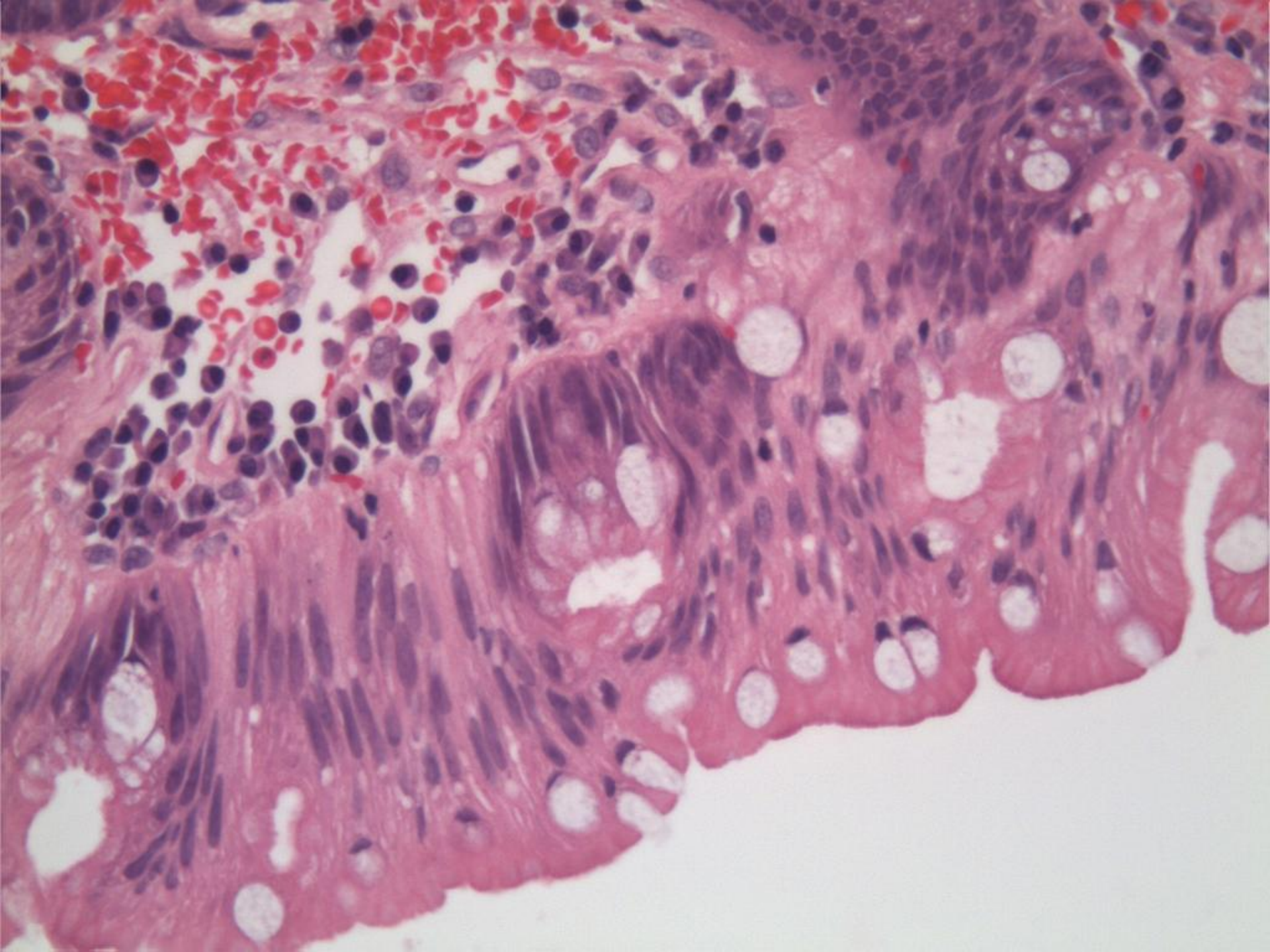


A histological section of the endometrium stained with hematoxylin and eosin (H&E). The image shows several endometrial glands of varying sizes and shapes. The glands are lined by a simple columnar epithelium. The cytoplasm of the epithelial cells is stained pink (eosinophilic), and the nuclei are stained dark purple (basophilic) and are positioned centrally within the cells. The stroma between the glands is composed of loose connective tissue with scattered small, dark-staining nuclei of stromal cells. The overall architecture is consistent with a non-dysplastic endometrium.

**Cytoplasmic eosinophilia**  
**Nuclei located in the middle**

**Not dysplastic**



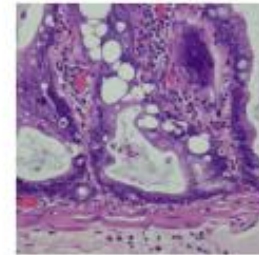




# Filliform SA/TSA (Yantiss, 2007)

- Large pedunculated polyp
- Frequent in rectosigmoid

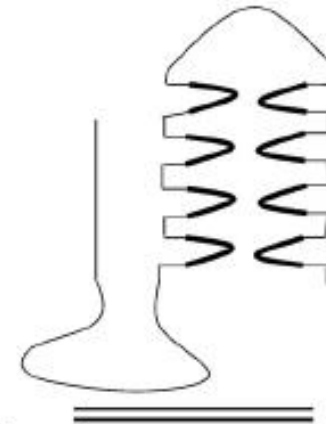
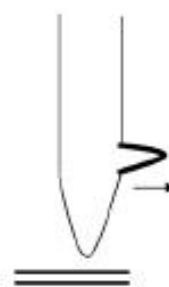




Normal crypt.  
Proliferation occurs at the base of the crypts and cells mature toward the lumen (arrow)

Normal crypt

Early stage with move proliferative side of crypt (arrow) and bidirectional maturation (arrow)



Normal crypt

Early stage of TSA with proliferative zone on side of crypt. Outward growth creates ectopic crypt (arrow)

Fully developed TSA with multiple ectopic crypts lining villi



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		Crypts	Proliferation	Cytological dysplasia	Mucin type	BRAF mutation	KRAS mutation	CIMP	MLH1 methylation
TSA	Serrated adenoma; filiform serrated adenoma	Hyperserrated in part owing to formation of ectopic crypts	Proliferation present at base of ectopic crypts	May be present, usually in the form of cells with eosinophilic cytoplasm	None or goblet cells	+ <sup>c</sup>	+ <sup>c</sup>	++	-
Serrated polyposis	Hyperplastic polyposis; giant hyperplastic polyposis	Mostly SSAP with some MVHP	As per polyp subtype	Present as disease advances	As per polyp subtype	++ <sup>c</sup>	+ <sup>c</sup>	+++	+

WHO 2010



## Morphological characteristics of tubal gut adenomas

	SSA/P	TSA	TA
Location	Right colon	Throughout, 60% left	Throughout, 60% left
Shape	Flat	Mostly pedunculated	Mostly pedunculated
Dysplasia	Absent or minimal	Present	Present
Surface maturation	Present	Absent	Absent
Serration	Present	Present	Absent
Basal crypt dilation	Present	Absent	Can be present
Horizontal crypts	Present	Absent	Can be present
Branched crypts	Present	Absent	Can be present
Basal crypt serration	Present	Absent	Absent
Nuclear shape	Round to oval	Tall columnar	Tall columnar
Cytoplasm	Eosinophilic	Eosinophilic	Basophilic



What is the difference  
between a sessile  
serrated adenoma and a  
traditional serrated  
adenoma?

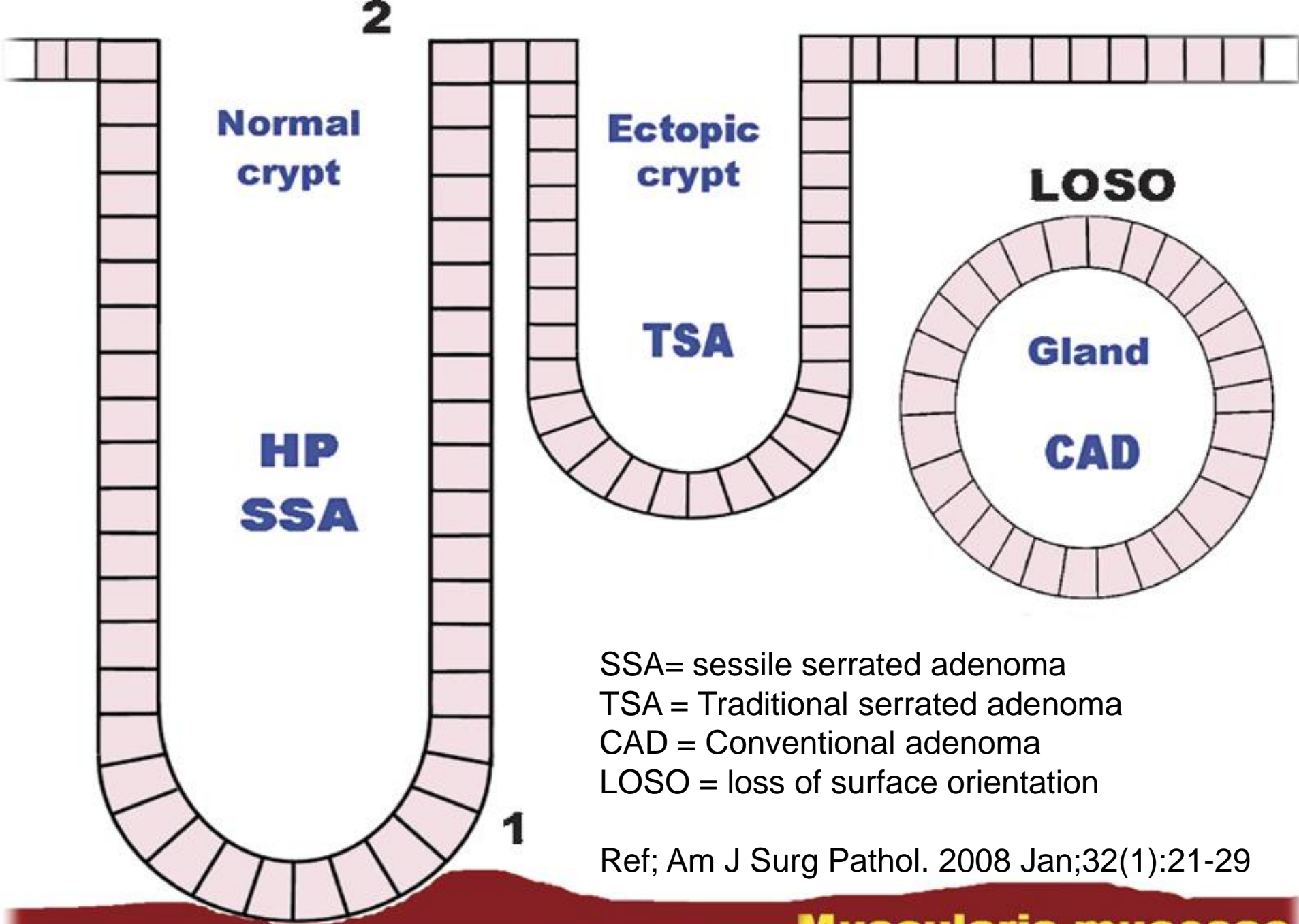




# SSA V TSA

- Looks like HP
- Lacks conventional dysplasia
- Has pink cytoplasm and serration
- Has “pencilate” nuclei like conventional adenomas





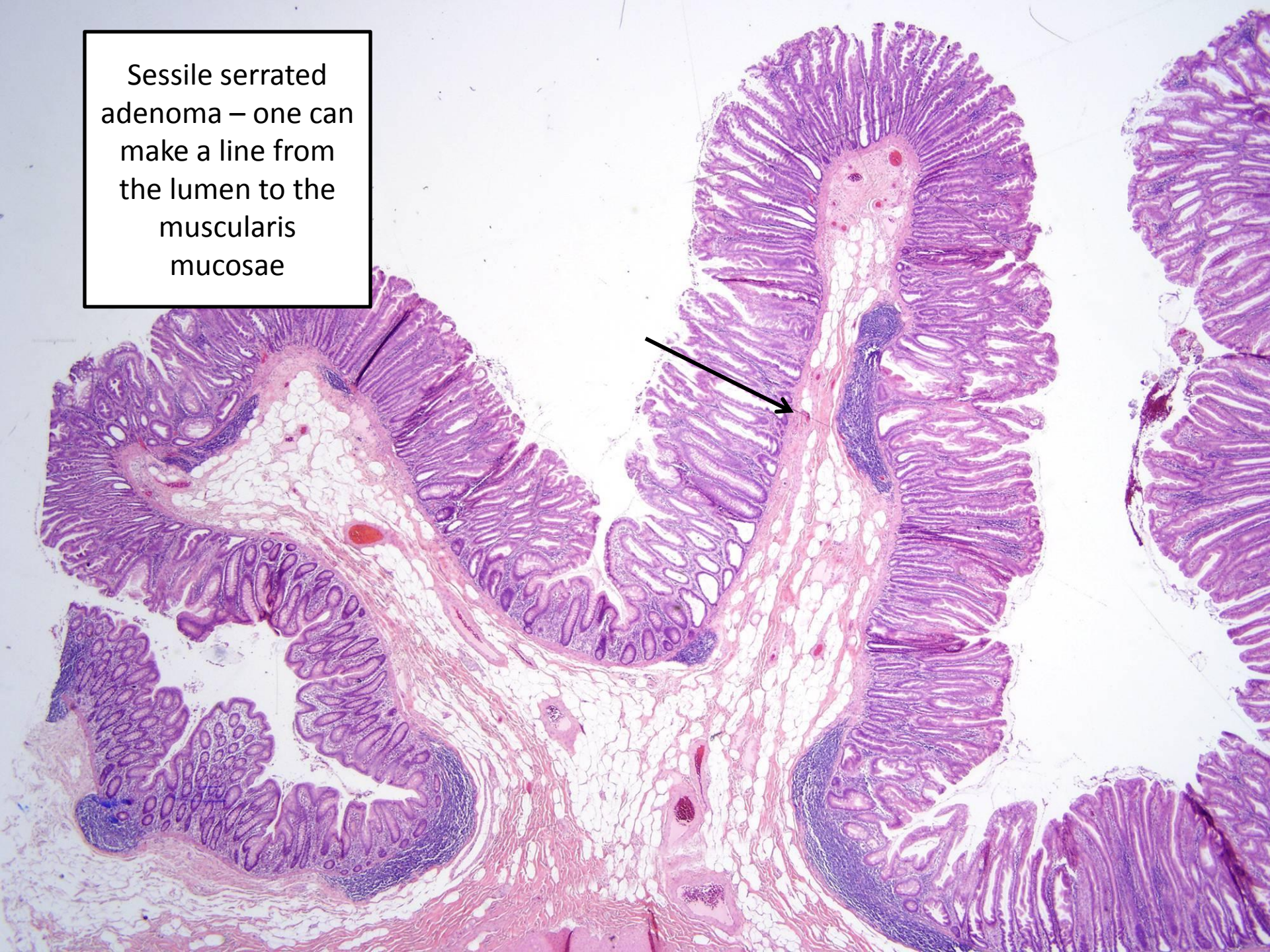
SSA= sessile serrated adenoma  
 TSA = Traditional serrated adenoma  
 CAD = Conventional adenoma  
 LOSO = loss of surface orientation

Ref; Am J Surg Pathol. 2008 Jan;32(1):21-29

**Muscularis mucosae**

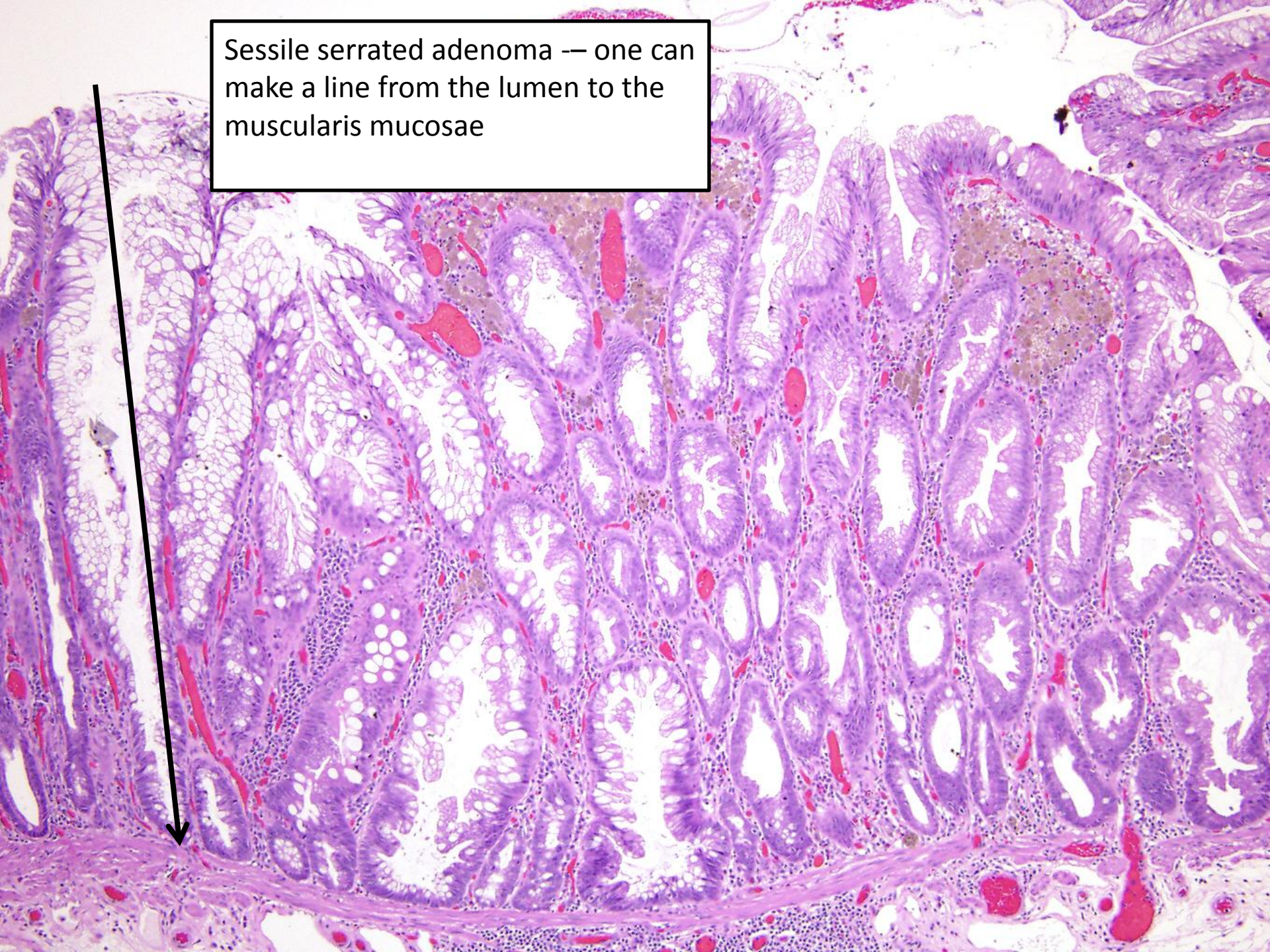


Sessile serrated adenoma – one can make a line from the lumen to the muscularis mucosae



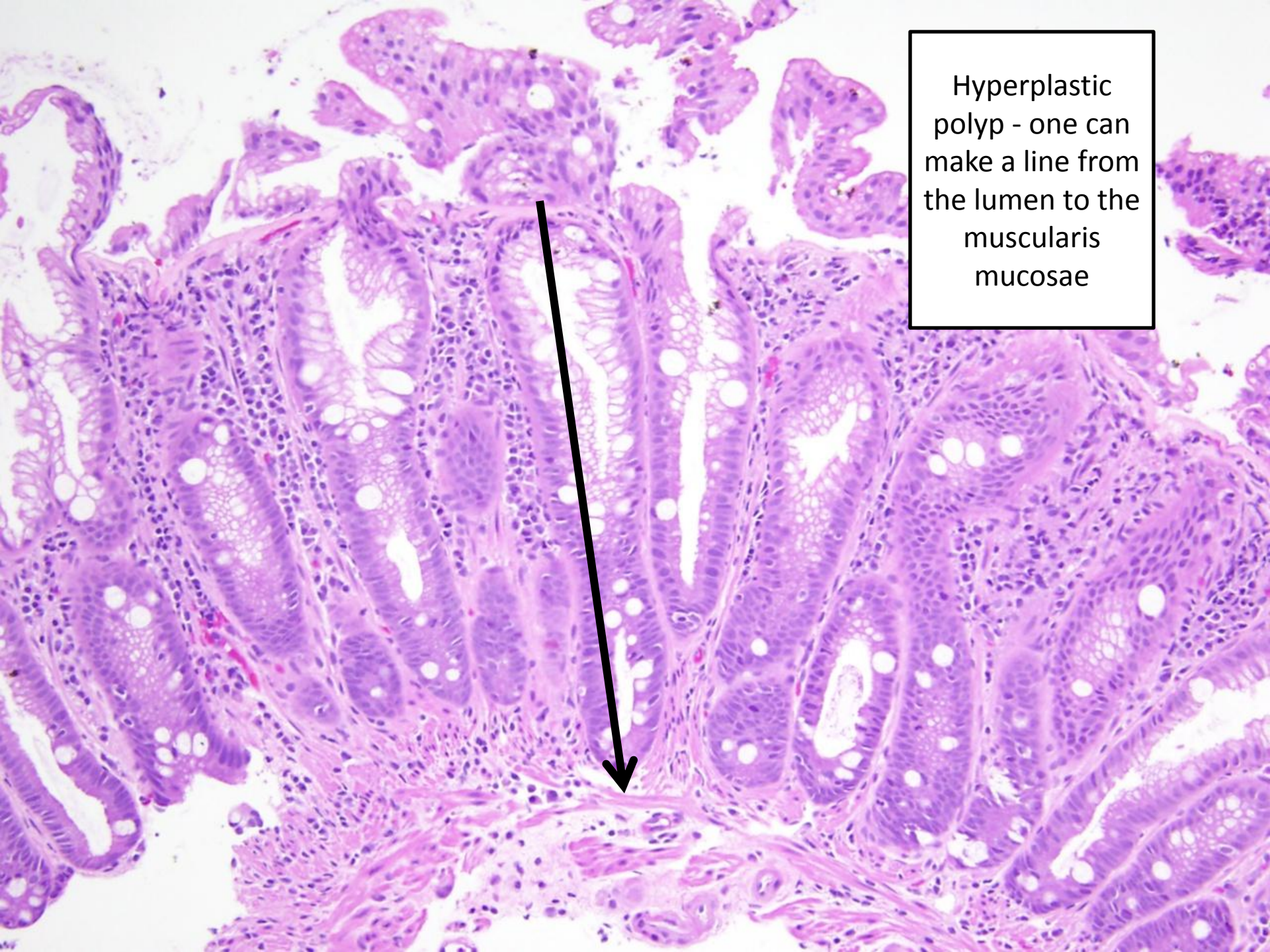


Sessile serrated adenoma -- one can make a line from the lumen to the muscularis mucosae

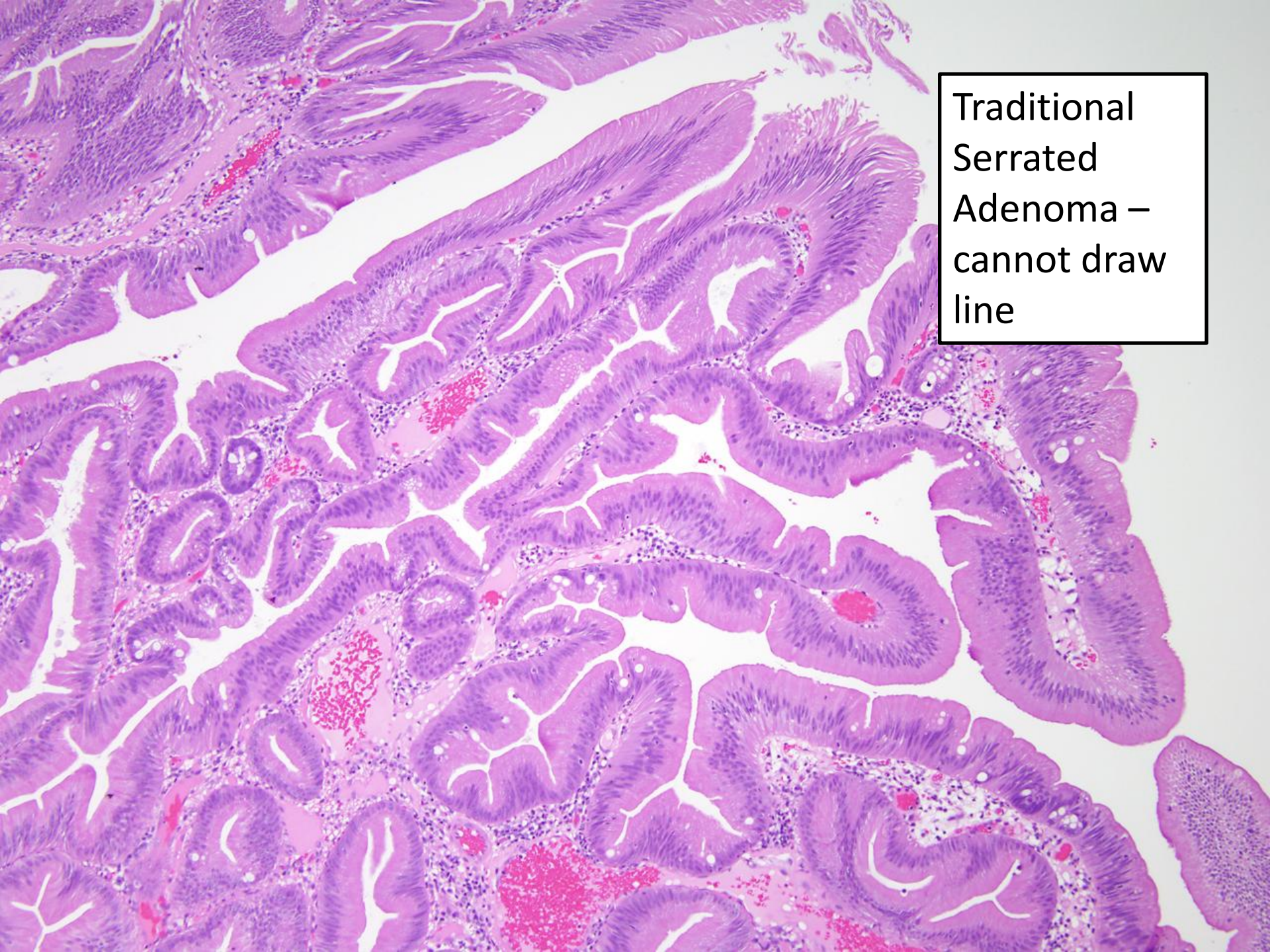




Hyperplastic polyp - one can make a line from the lumen to the muscularis mucosae







Traditional  
Serrated  
Adenoma –  
cannot draw  
line



# Reproducibility?

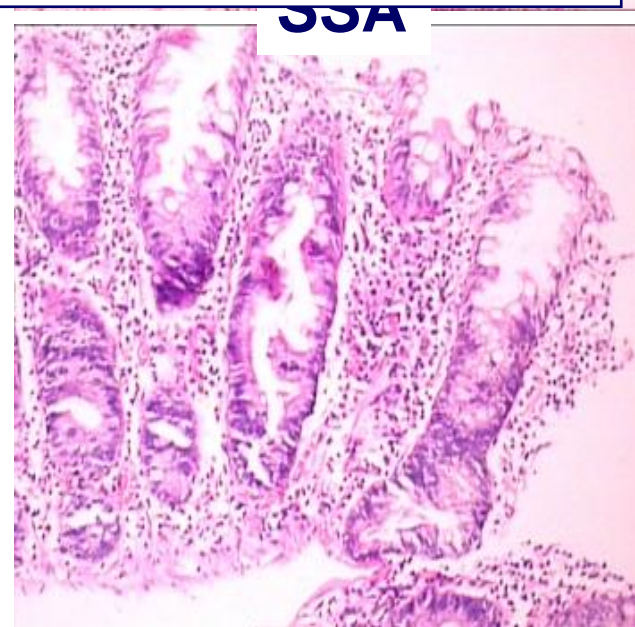
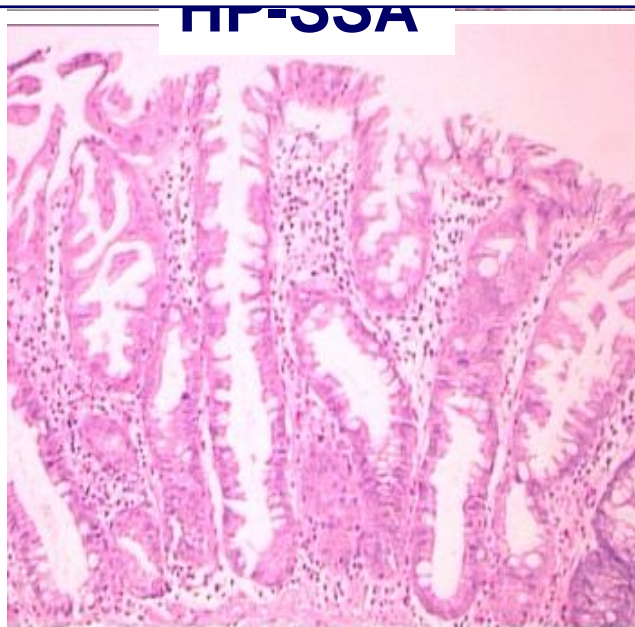
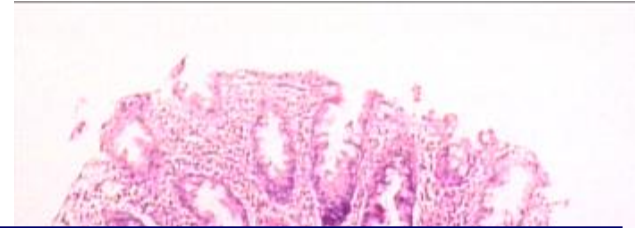
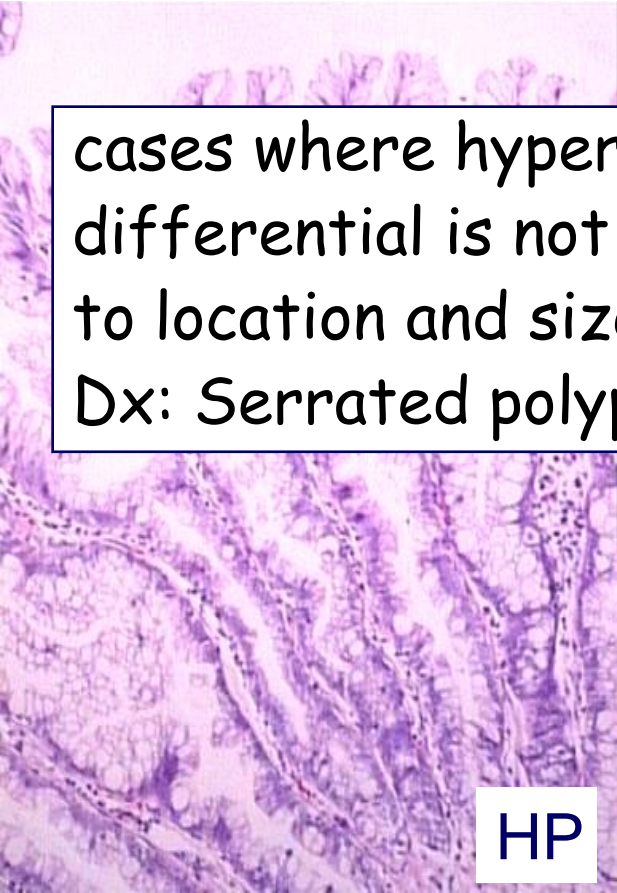
- Insufficiently sharp criteria?
- Progression towards SSA/P of a subgroup of HPs or towards TSA of a subgroup of SSA/Ps?



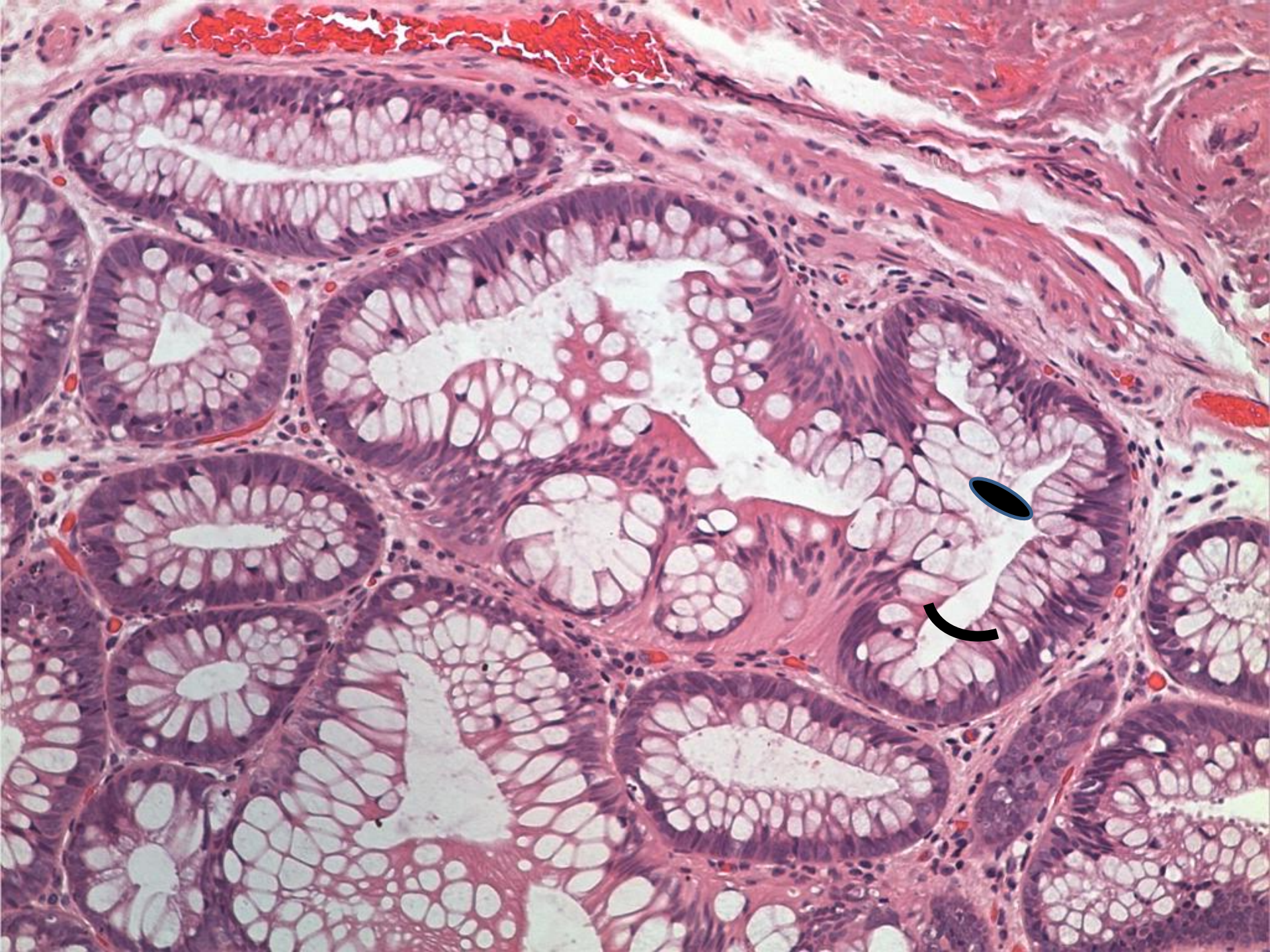
# Intermediate forms

cases where hyperplastic polyp-sessile serrated adenoma differential is not possible should be interpreted according to location and size!

Dx: Serrated polyp unclassified









Farris, 2008	185 SPs - 5 observers	0.55
Bariol, 2003	380 (SPs + Adenomas) - 2 observers	No kappa
Bustamante-Balen, 2009	195 SPs - 2 observers	0.14
Glatz, 2007	20 SPs - 168 participants (internet quiz)	No kappa High interobserver variation in SSA
Sandmeier, 2007	102 SPs	No kappa
Wong, 2009	60 polyps - 4 observers	0.49
Khalid, 2009	40 SPs - 3 observers	0.16
Gunia S, 2011	49 SPs - 3 observers (trainee)	0.224-0.654
Denis B, 2009	14 SPs - 2 observers	0.41
Ensari A, 2011	70 SPs – 20 observers	0.306 (0.20-0.58)



# Overall agreement for the first & second rounds

<b>Rounds</b>	1st group (n=15)	2nd group (n=55)	Total (n=70)
1st Round			
<b>kappa value</b>	0.202	0.349	0.318
<b>CI lower-CI upper</b>	0.147- 0.256	0.320 - 0.377	0.293 - 0.343
<b>p value</b>	p<0.001	p<0.001	p<0.001
2nd Round			
<b>kappa value</b>	0.587	0.330	0.306
<b>CI lower-CI upper</b>	0.543 - 0.632	0.304 - 0.356	0.281 – 0.332
<b>p value</b>	p<0.001	p<0.001	p<0.001



# Overall agreement for diagnostic categories

<b>1st Round</b>	<b>HP</b>	<b>SSA</b>	<b>TSA</b>	<b>MP</b>	<b>UCP</b>
1st group (n=15)	0.315 p<0.001	0.223 p<0.001	0.181 NS	0.107 NS	0.021 NS
2nd group (n=55)	0.443 p<0.001	0.323 p<0.001	0.512 p<0.001	0.235 p=0.01	0.009 NS
Total (n=70)	0.415 p<0.001	0.301 p<0.001	0.433 p<0.001	0.221 p=0.014	0.013 NS
<b>2nd Round</b>	<b>HP</b>	<b>SSA</b>	<b>TSA</b>	<b>MP</b>	<b>UCP</b>
1st group (n=15)	0.897 p<0.001	0.997 p<0.001	0.545 NS	0.072 NS	0.016 NS
2nd group (n=55)	0.900 p<0.001	0.990 p<0.001	0.455 p<0.001	0.211 p=0.013	0.040 NS
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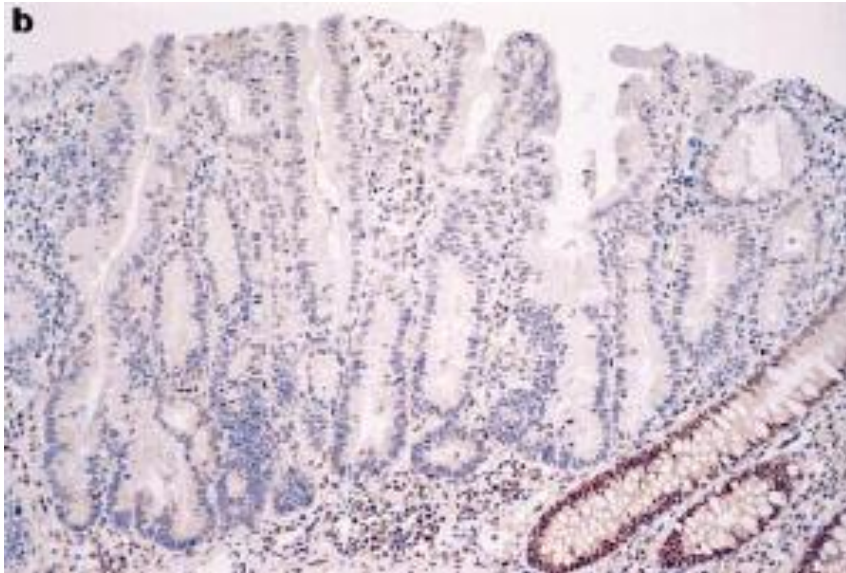
# Can molecular typing help?

- Immunohistochemistry
  - Ki67
  - MUC6
  - Beta-catenin
  - p53
- Genome analysis
  - MMR
  - BRAF/KRAS
  - CIMP



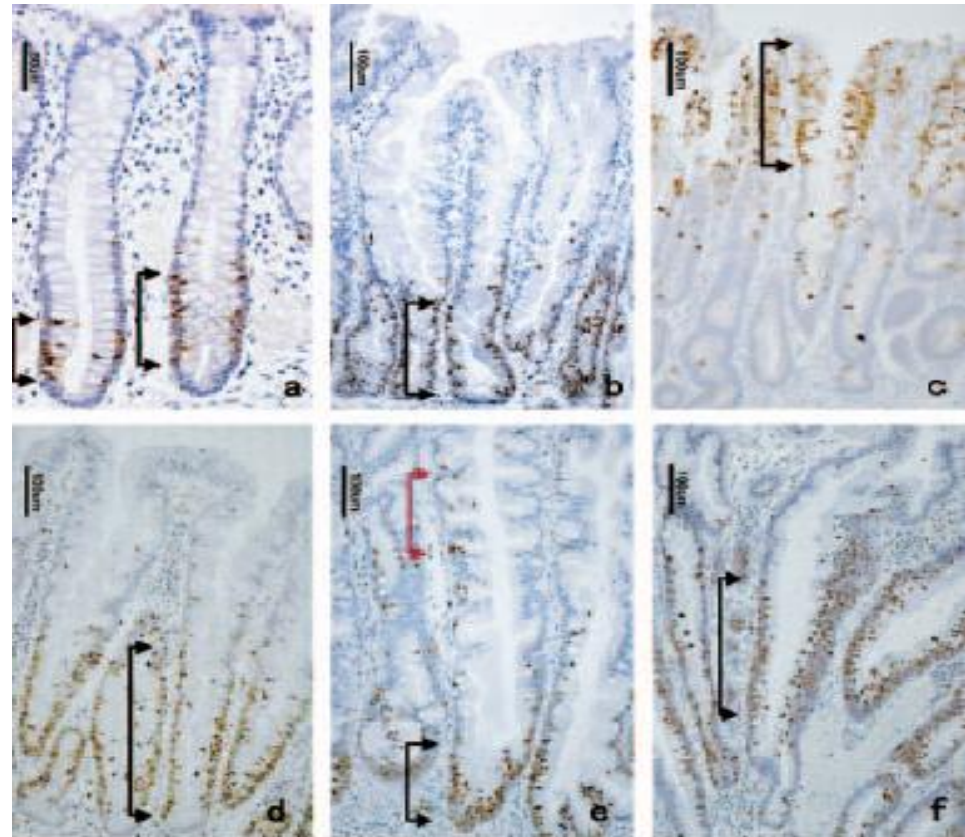
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Focal loss



Jass, 2000

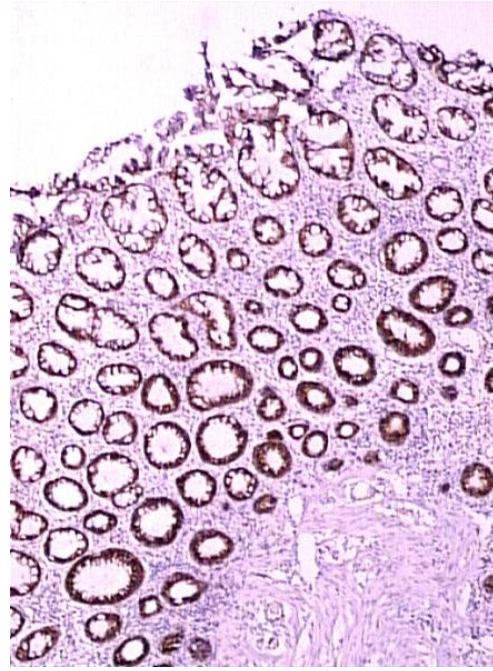
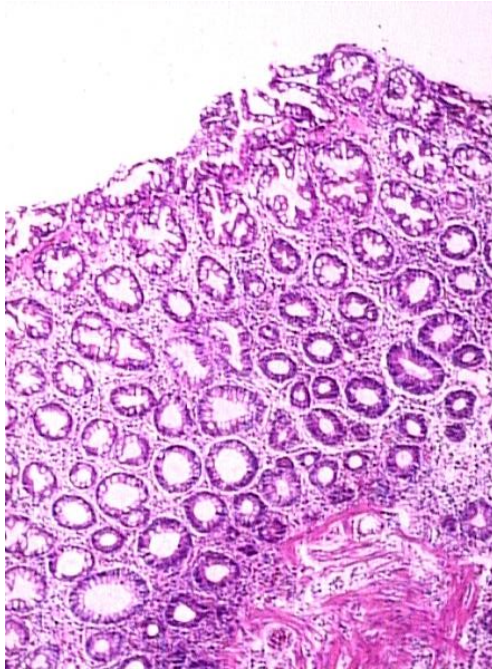
Ki-67  
Abnormal proliferation



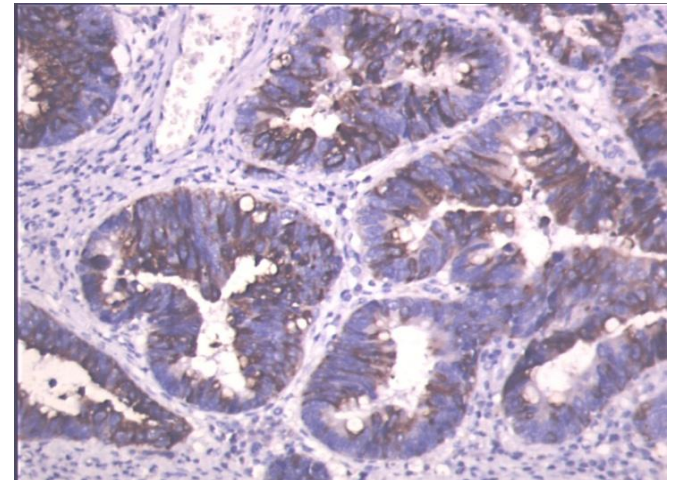
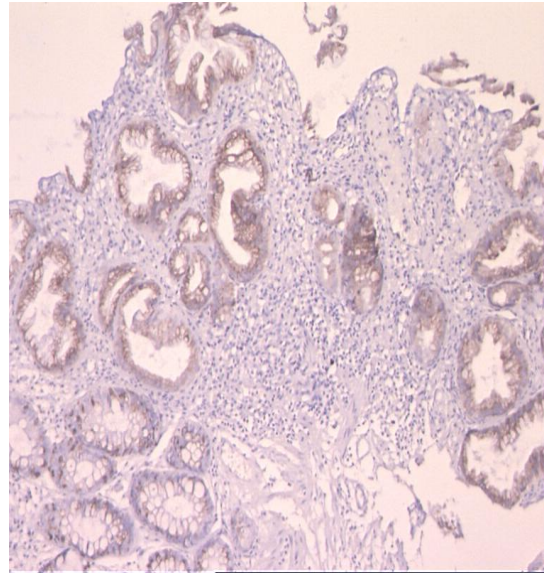
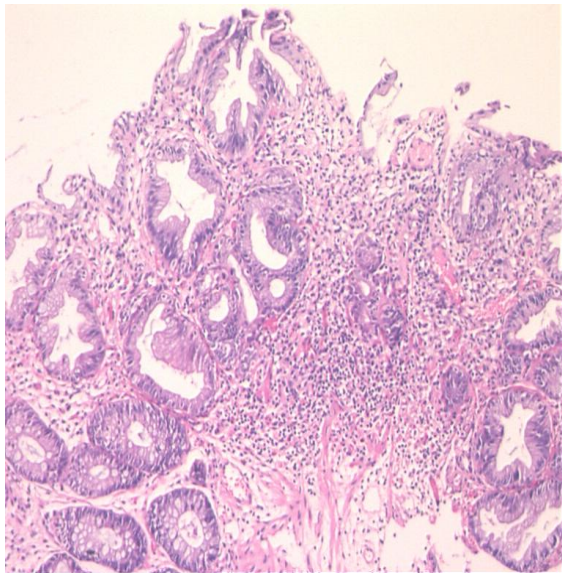
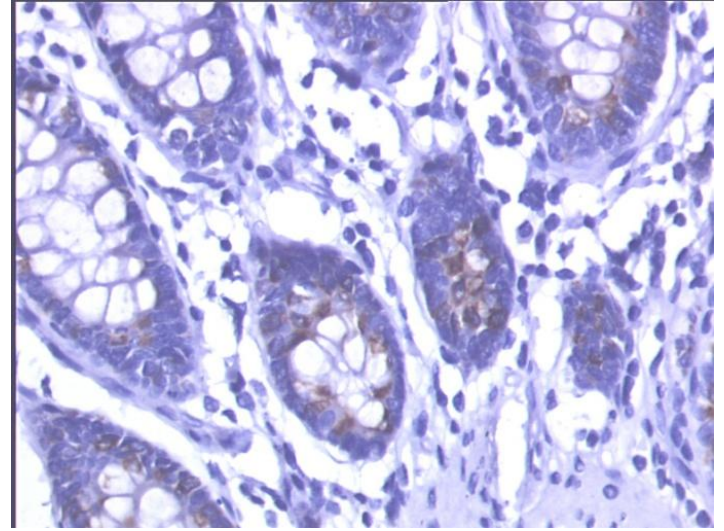
Koike, 2003



MUC 5AC



MUC6





# Fujita, 2011 - Genome

**TABLE 3. Immunohistochemical Features of HPs, SSAs, and SSANs**

	HP (n = 66)	SSA (n = 53)	SSAN (n = 12)
p53	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	5 (41.7%)*
β-Catenin			
Loss of membrane expression	7 (10.6%)	11 (20.8%)	1 (8.3%)
Nuclear expression	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	6 (50%)*

\* $P < 0.01$  vs. all other groups.

HP indicates hyperplastic polyps; SSA, sessile serrated adenoma; SSAN, sessile serrated adenoma with neoplastic progression.

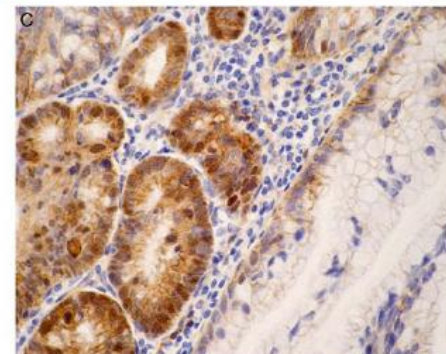
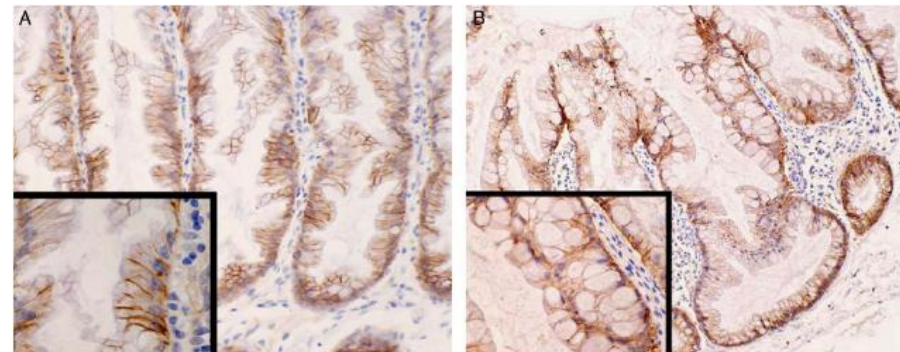
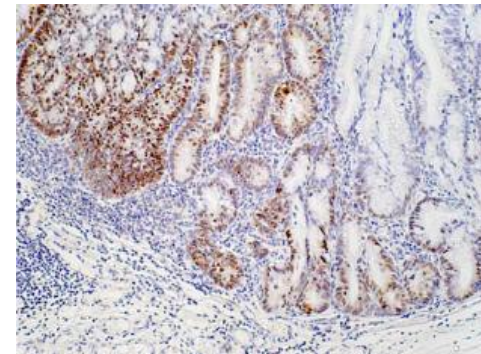
**TABLE 4. Molecular Features of HPs, SSAs, and SSANs**

	HP (n = 24)	SSA (n = 23)	SSAN (n = 11)
<i>BRAF</i> mutation	11 (45.8%)	14 (60.9%)	7 (63.6%)
<i>KRAS</i> mutation	1 (4.2%)*	1 (4.4%)†	0 (0%)
<i>PIK3CA</i> mutation	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)

\*G12S (GGT → AGT).

†G13D (GGC → GAC).

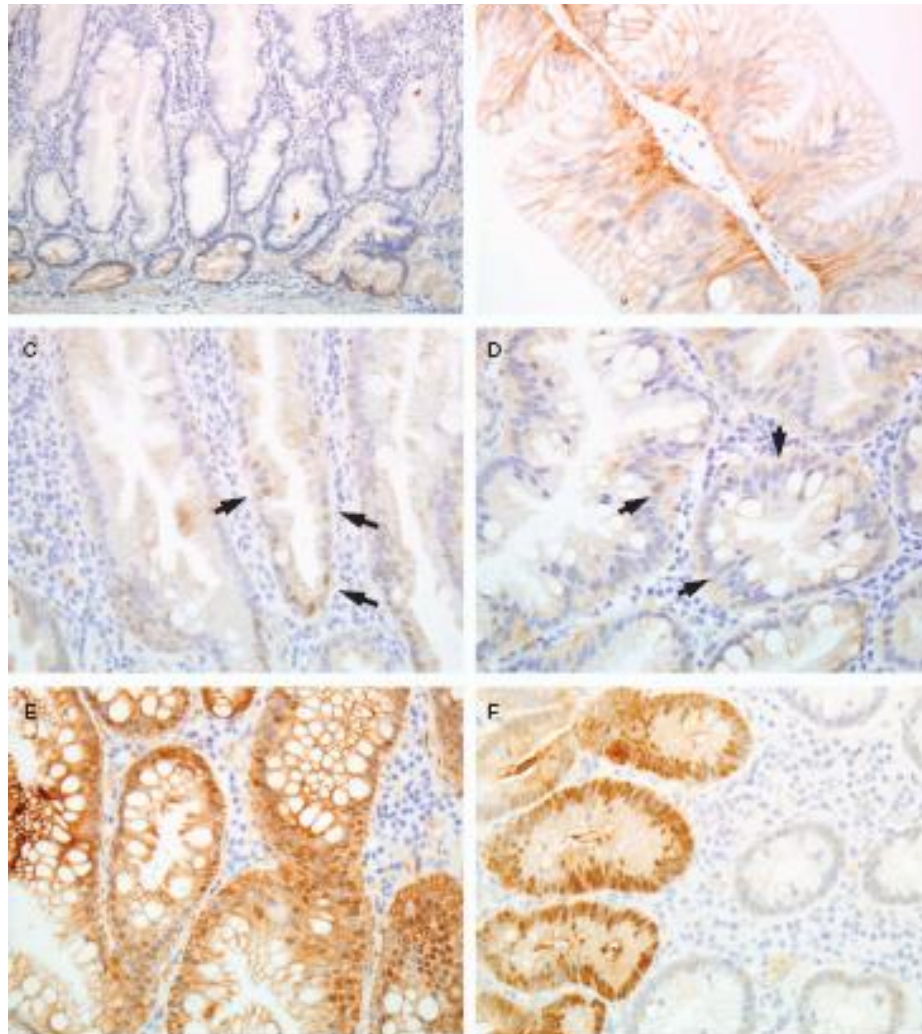
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# Beta-catenin Nuclear Labeling is a Common Feature of Sessile Serrated Adenomas and Correlates With Early Neoplastic Progression After *BRAF* Activation

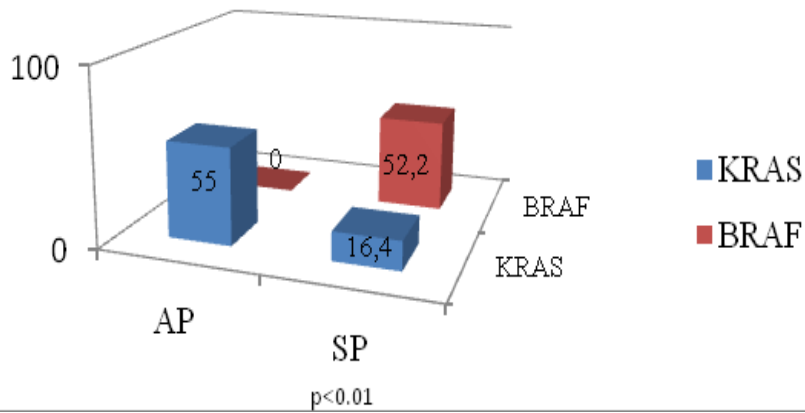
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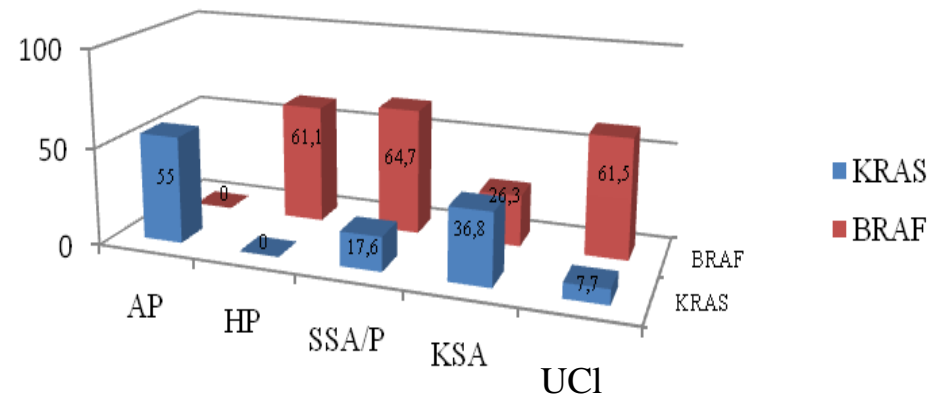
All BRAF Mutated !



### KRAS & BRAF mutations in APs and SPs



### KRAS & BRAF mutations in SP subtypes

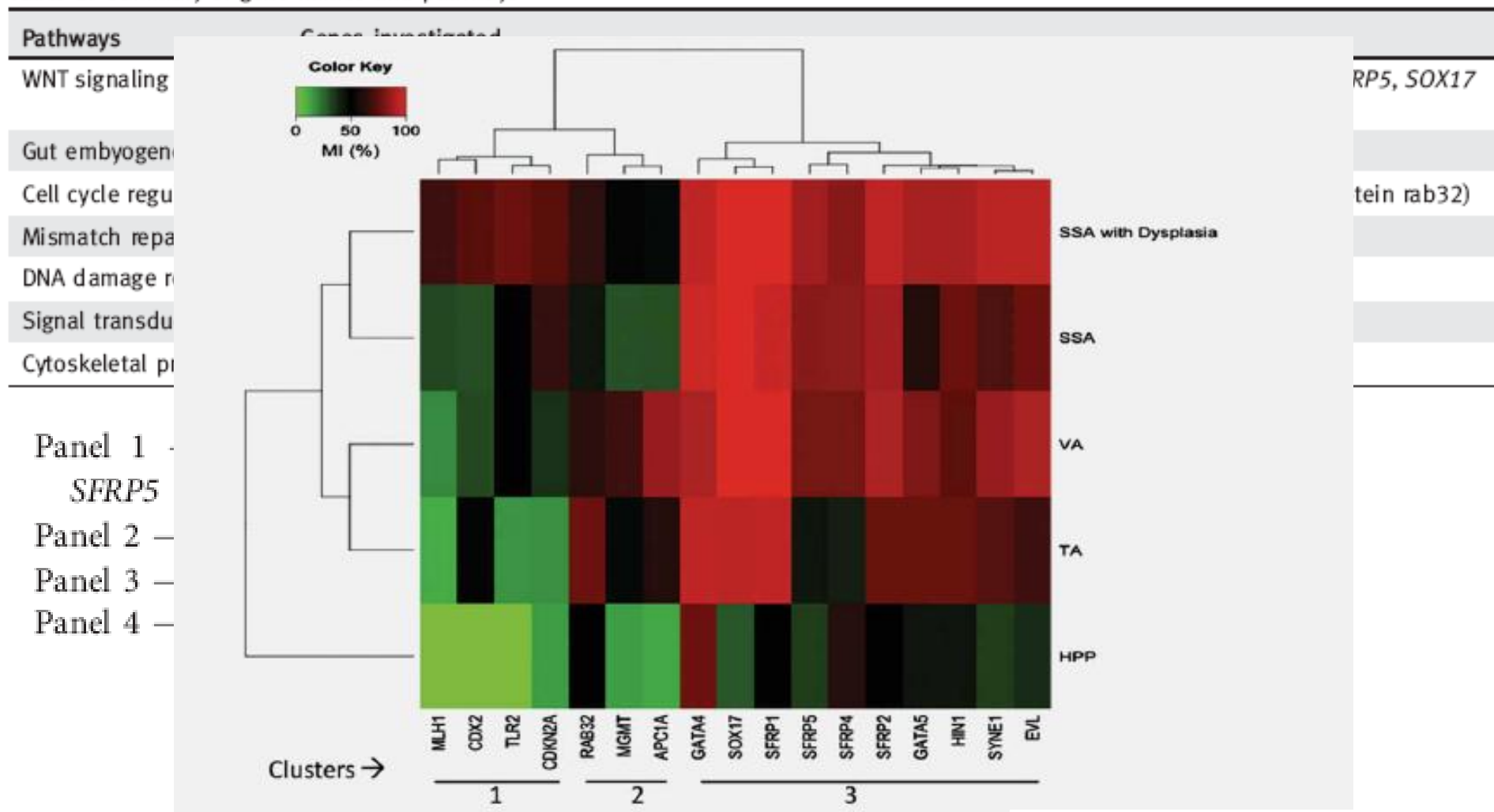




# Sessile serrated adenomas and classical adenomas: an epigenetic perspective on premalignant neoplastic lesions of the gastrointestinal tract

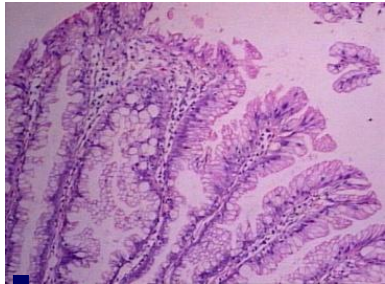
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**Table 1.** Summary of gene names and pathways

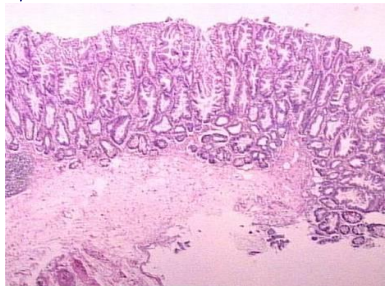




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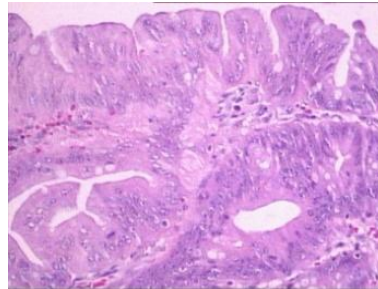
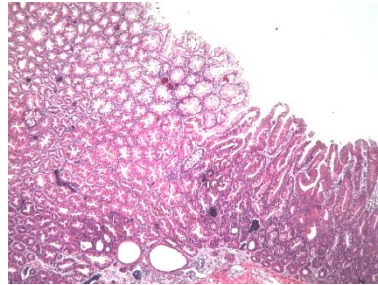


Promoter methylation

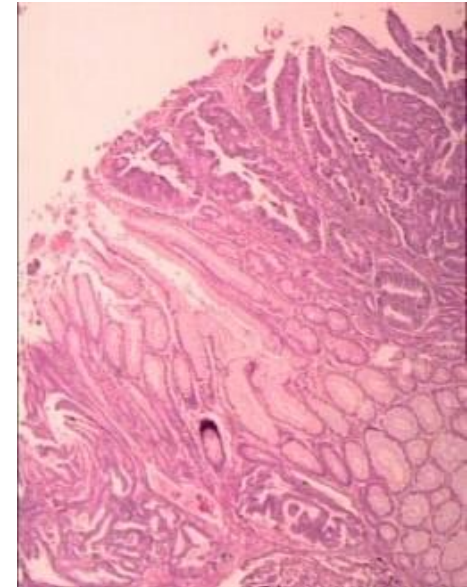


SSA/P

Dysplastic SSA/P



Adenocarcinoma



BRAF mutation

(inhibition of apoptosis)

Variable rate of progression

Methylation in MLH1

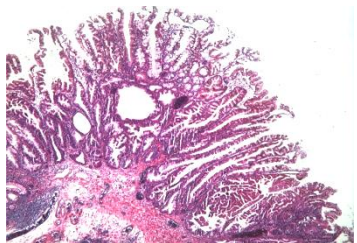
dysplasia

Mutations in oncogenes & tm suppressor genes

Rapid rate of progression

MSI-H CA

TSA



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CIMP-H MSS CA

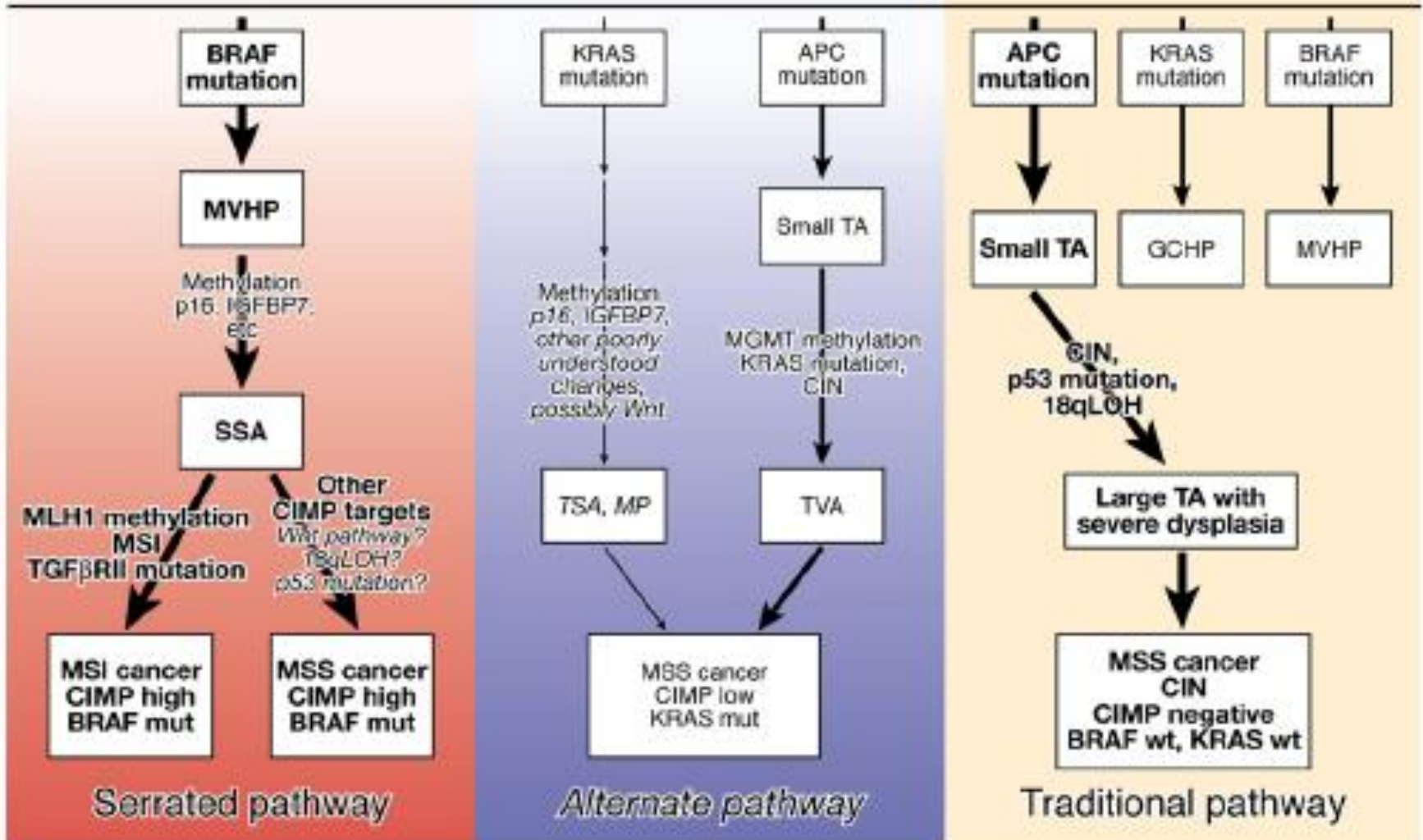
KRAS

? MGMT methylation

? MSI-L CA  
MSS CA

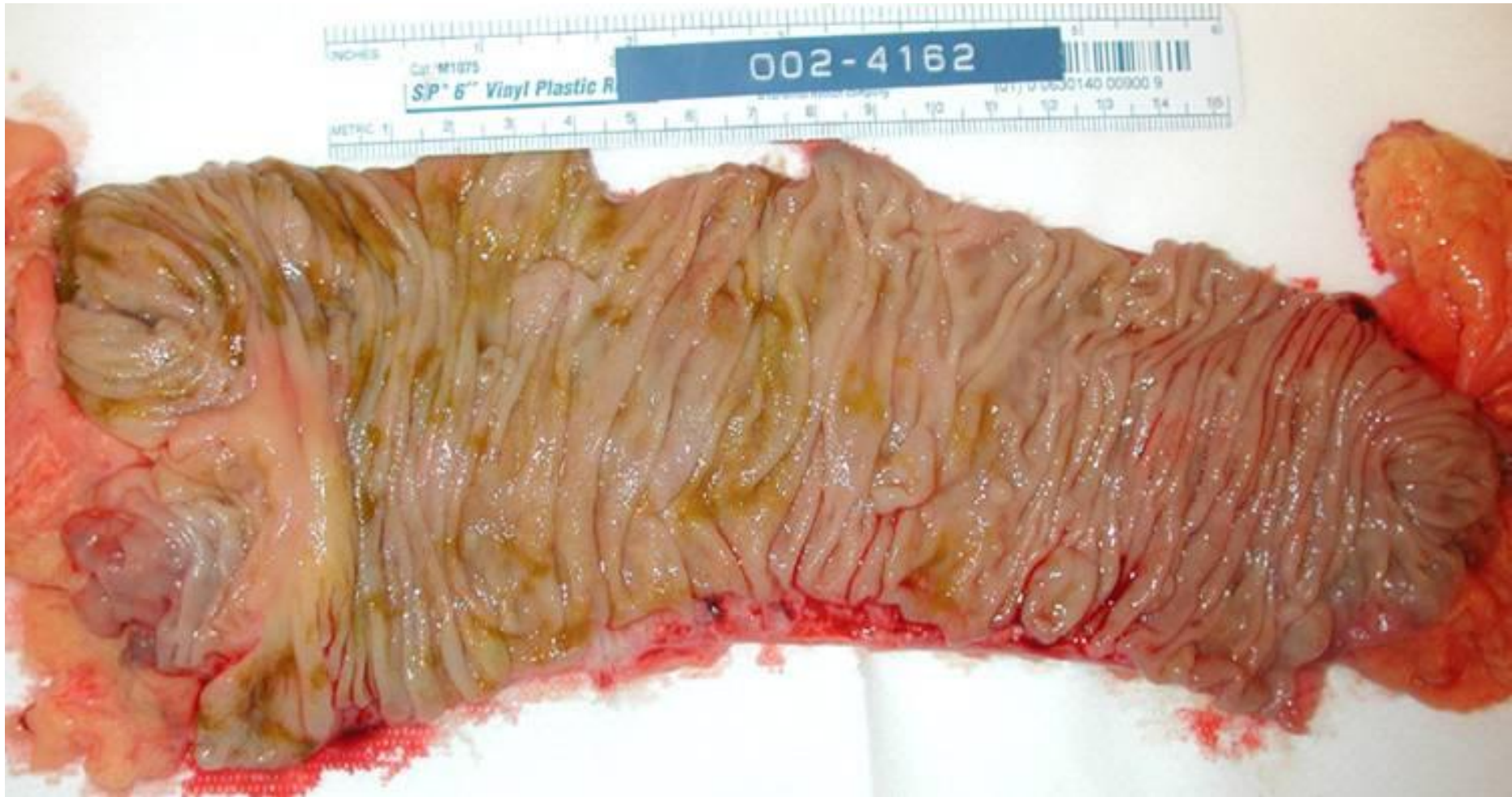


## Normal mucosa





# SERRATED POLYPOSIS



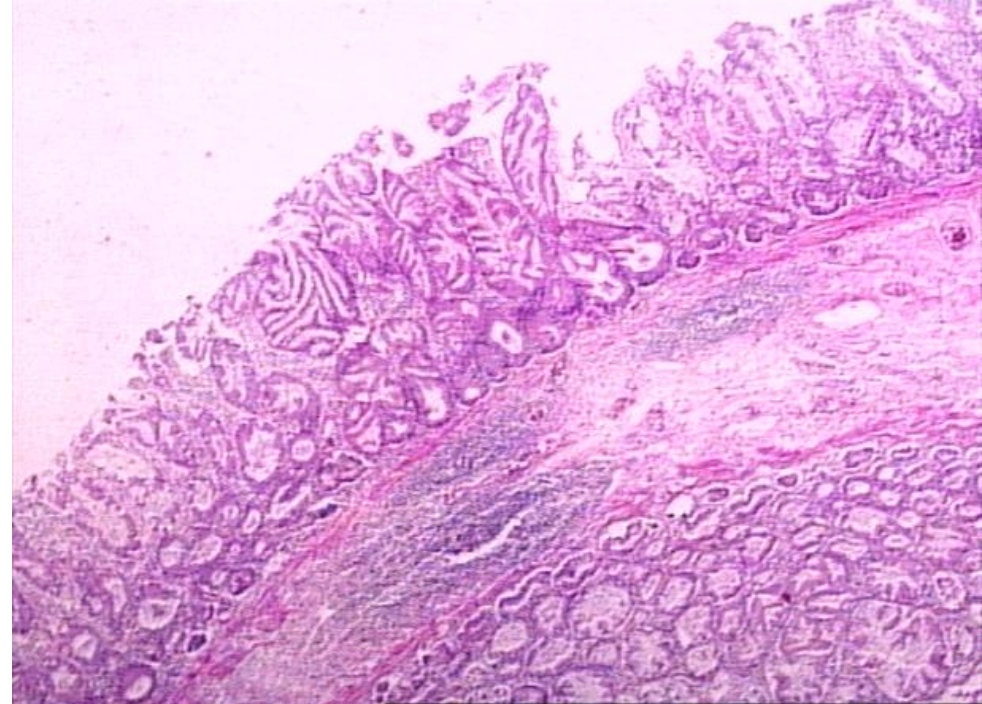
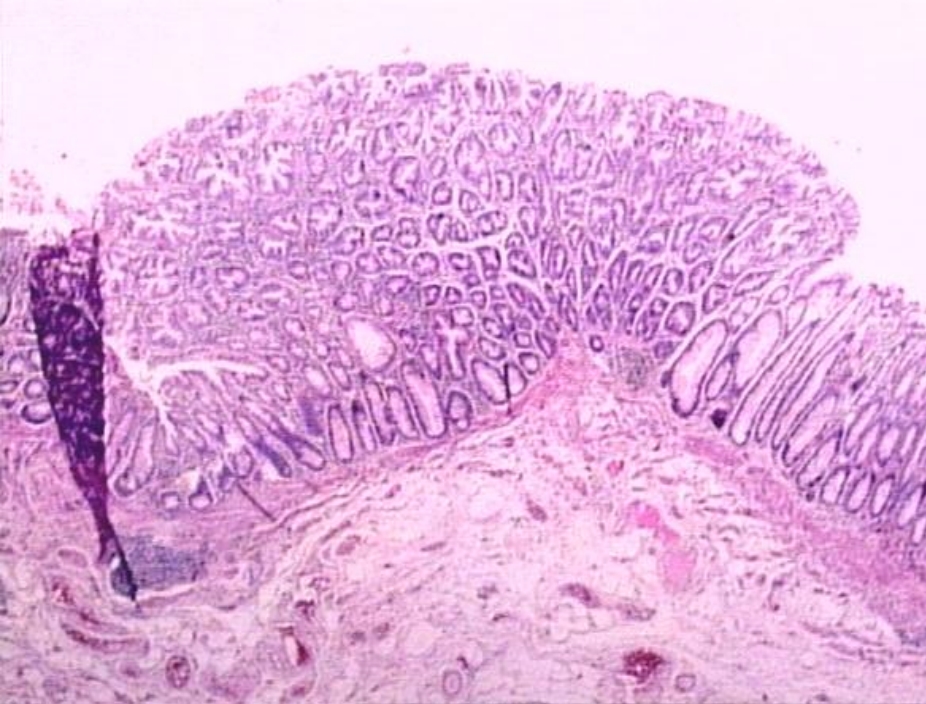


# Serrated polyposis

- At least 5 serrated polyps proximal to sigmoid colon, 2 > 10mm
- Any number of serrated polyps proximal to sigmoid colon in a person with 1st degree relative with SPS
- >20 serrated polyps of any size throughout colon

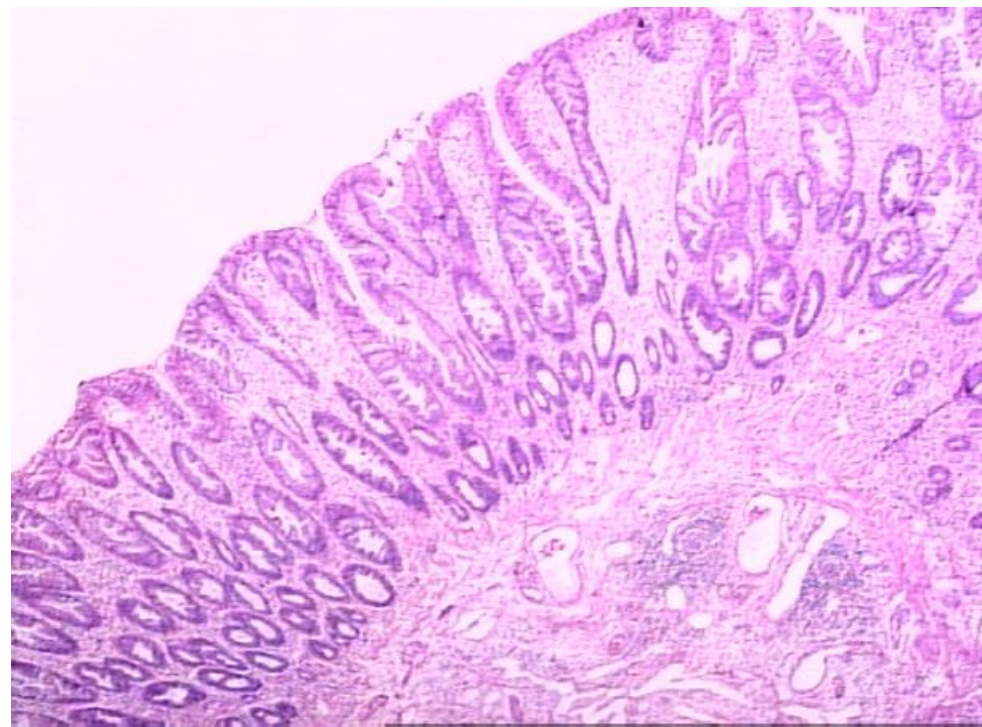




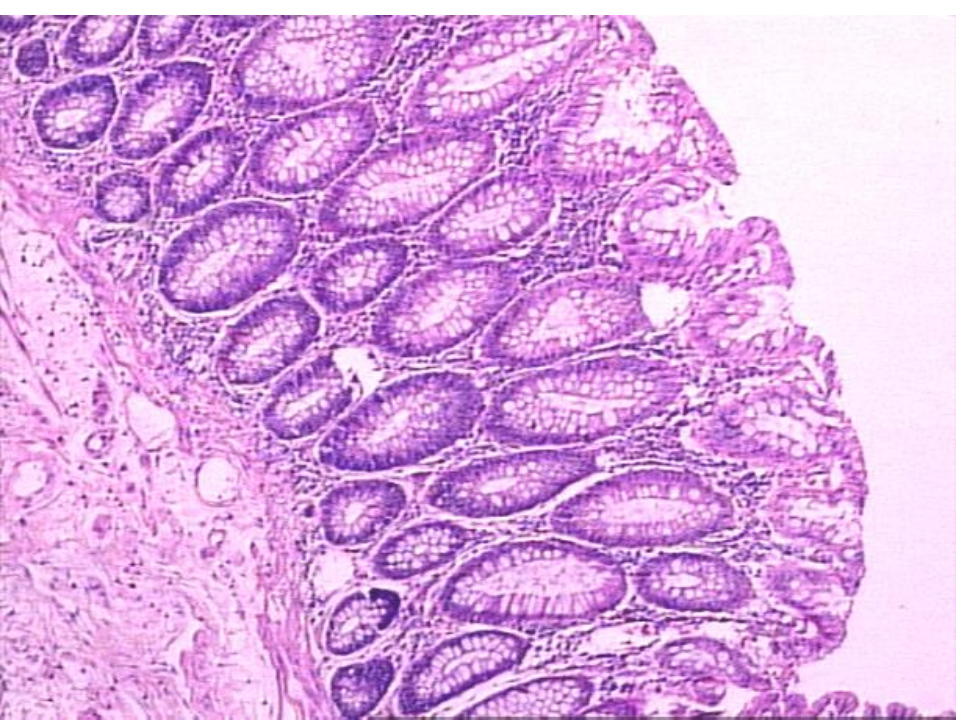
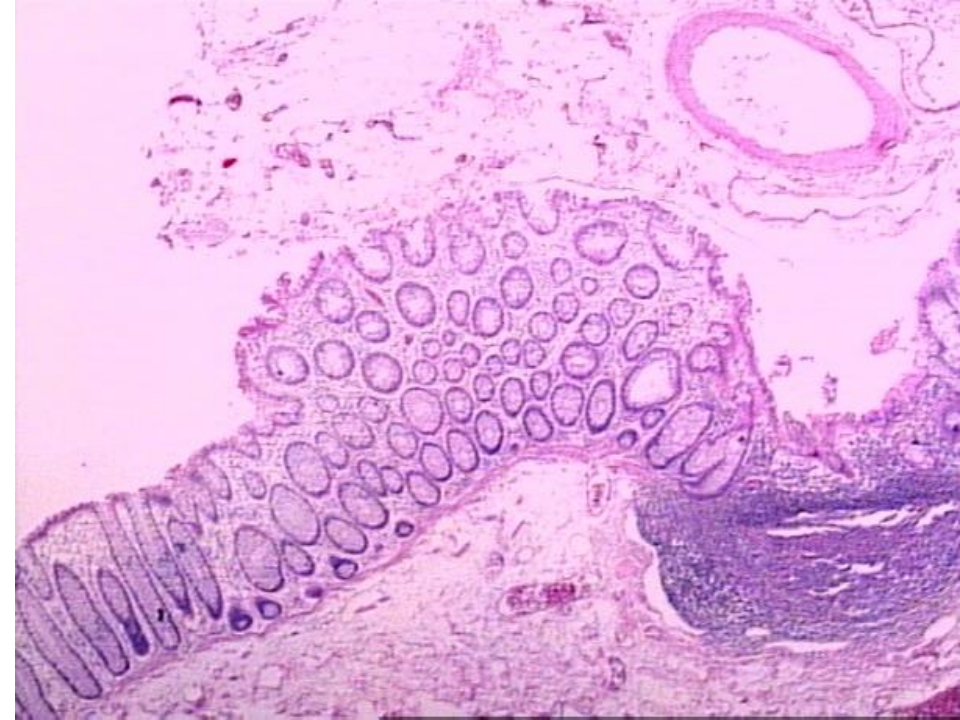


## Type 1 SPS

- Multiple SSA/P
- Large polyps
- Proximal colon
- Ca risk ↑
- BRAF mutations







**Type 2 SPS**

- Numerous <5mm HP
- Entire colon
- Ca risk  $\emptyset$
- KRAS mutations



# Dealing with These

## “New” Polyps

- How common are they?
- How often do they progress to cancer?
- What should we all be doing about them?



# How Common?

- Published UK survey [J Clin Pathol **2004**; 47: 682] – **2%** [31/1436] – not recognized yet
- **2006** figure from Australia – **9%** [Gastroenterology 2006; 131: 1400-1407]; endoscopists and pathologists were “in the know”

# Cancer Progression Rate?

- Anecdotally a few per cent –Published estimate of 1/25 of such polyps of R colon
- In one small series of patients with hyperplastic polyposis, 7/12 developed cancers [a bit less than in adenomatous polyposis but these patients have far fewer polyps than those with FAP]

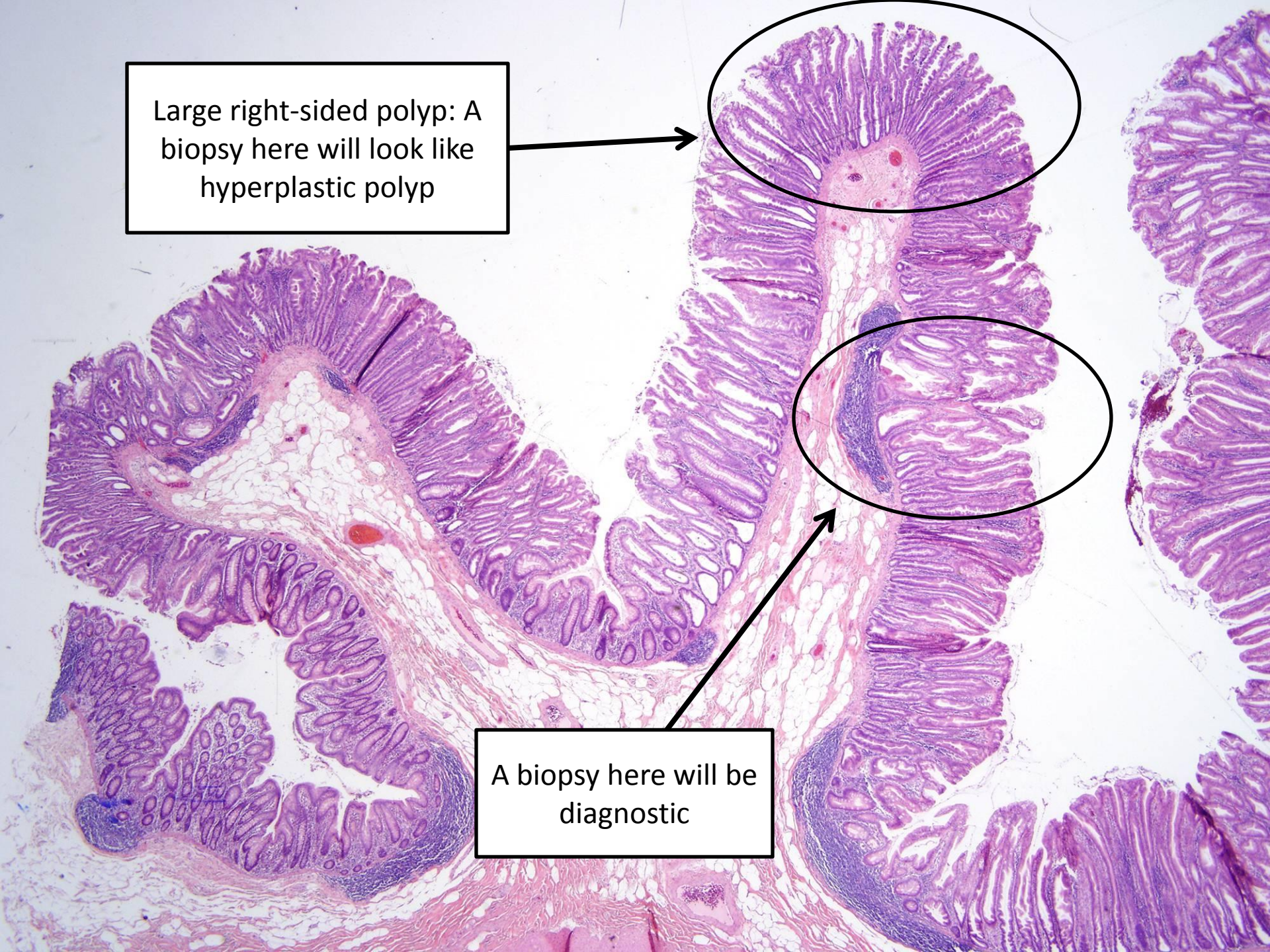


# Cancer Risk and Rate of Growth

- 5 cancers in follow-up
  - 2/38 (5%) sessile serrated adenomas
  - 1/119 (0.8%) tubular adenomas
    - Statistically significant higher risk
  - 2/17 (12%) TVA
- Rate of growth (two endoscopies, divided size of polyp by time between two endoscopies)
  - HP (42): 1.36 mm/yr
  - SSA (26): 3.76 mm/yr
  - TA (50): 2.79 mm/yr

Large right-sided polyp: A biopsy here will look like hyperplastic polyp

A biopsy here will be diagnostic





# ..in the future...

- Pathologists and endoscopists need to learn to better recognize this group of polyps - new endoscopic techniques
- Consensus criteria will improve & standardize pathologic diagnosis
- Molecular data will become reliable
- Follow up data will provide information for better guidelines

## ..in real life?

- All polyps should be excised (except <5mm, distal, multiple HPs)
- >1cm polyps should be completely excised
- Few small polyps - 5 year interval
- Large polyps - 3 year interval
- Dysplastic SSA/P control in 1 year, then 3 year interval







Thank you...