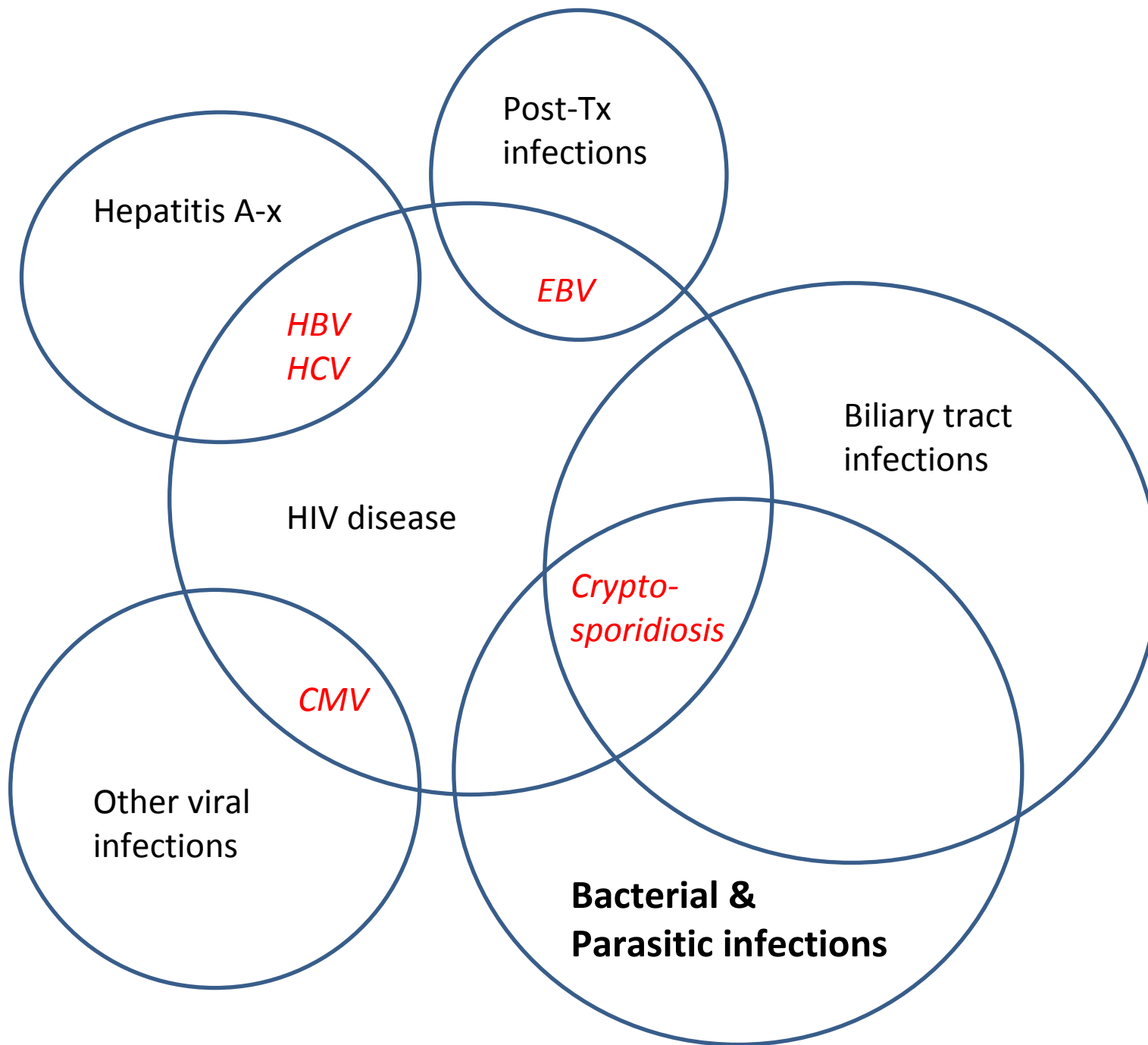


Bacterial & parasitic infections

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Hepatobiliary parasites

Liver

- Leishmania spp
- Trypanosoma cruzi
- Entamoeba histolytica
- Toxoplasma gondii
- Plasmodium falciparum
- Balantidium coli
- Strongyloides stercoralis
- Angiostrongylus spp
- Enterobius vermicularis
- Ascaris lumbricoides
- Baylisascaris
- Toxocara canis
- Gnathostoma spp
- Capillaria hepatica
- Schistosoma spp
- Echinococcus granulosus & multilocularis
- pentasomes

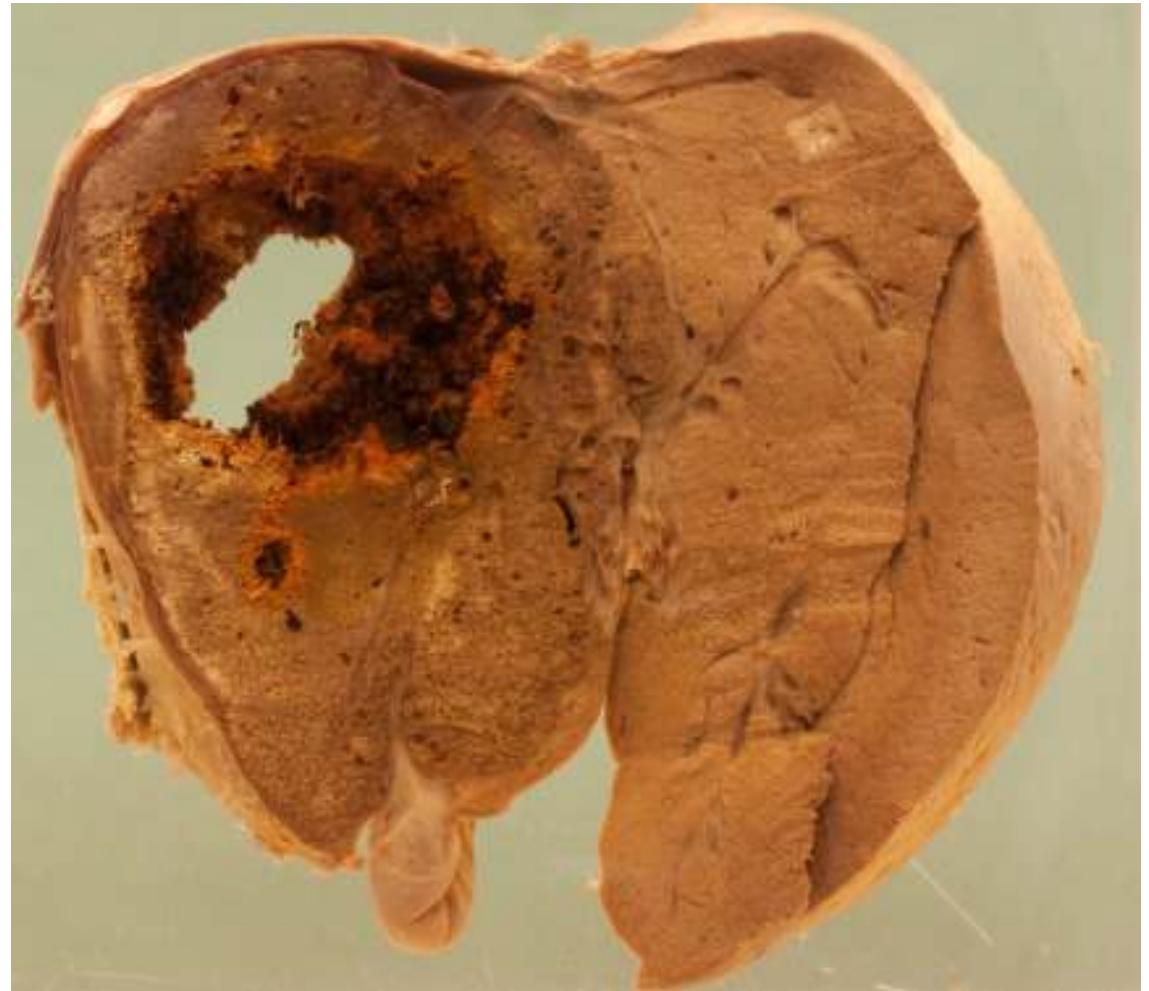
Biliary tree & GB

- microsporidia spp
- Cryptosporidium spp
- Ascaris
- Fasciola hepatica
- Clonorchis sinensis
- Opisthorcis viverrini
- Dicrocoelium
- Echinococcus granulosus

Gutierrez: 'Diagnostic Pathology of Parasitic Infections', Oxford, 2000



What is this?
Both are the same
parasite



What is this?
Both are the same
parasite



Echinococcus multilocularis

Bacterial infections of liver and biliary tree

- Chlamydia trachomatis
- Gram-ve rods
- Neisseria meningitidis
- Yersina pestis
- Streptococcus milleri
- Salmonella spp
- Burkholderia pseudomallei
- Listeria monocytogenes
- Brucella spp
- Bartonella spp
- Actinomycetes

- Treponema pallidum
- Borrelia spp
- Leptospira spp
- Mycobacterium spp
 - tuberculosis
 - avium-intracellulare
 - leprae

In 'MacSween'

2 manifestations of a classic bacterial infection



Bacteria & parasites

What you need to know

3 case studies

- Problem solving
- What it is
- What is the treatment

- What can happen
 - differential diagnosis
- How it can look pathologically
- What can be done to prove or exclude the infection
- Who you can ask for help

Summary

- Anything can happen
 - International travel
 - *'Unde venis?'*
 - Immunosuppression
 - Acquired
 - Iatrogenic
- Increasing reliance on molecular diagnostics
- Close collaboration with microbiologists and ID clinicians

Case 1

F20

Daughter of UK farmer

No travel abroad

Acute lymphoblastic leukaemia @ 12 years

2 months post haemopoietic stem cell transplant

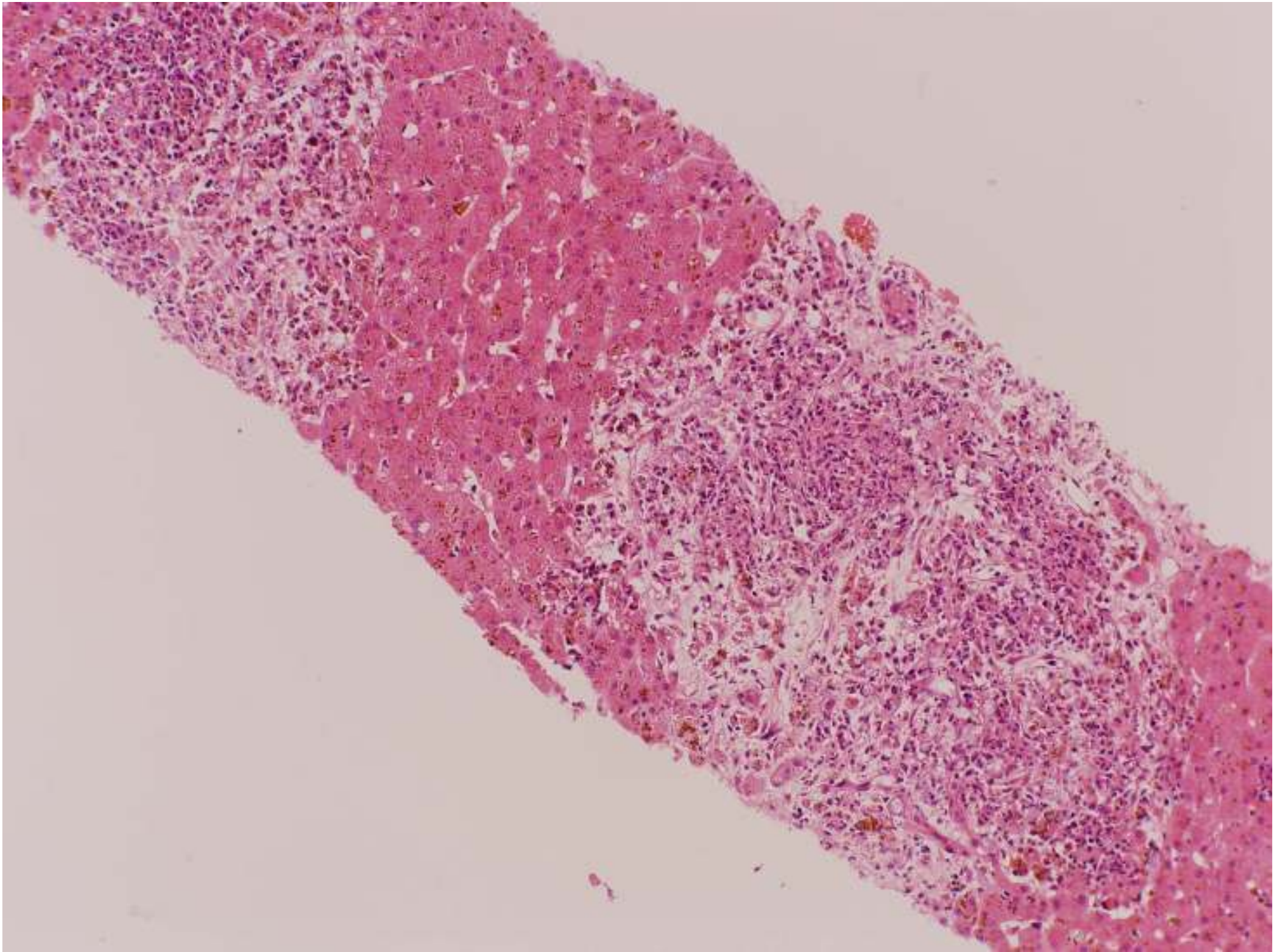
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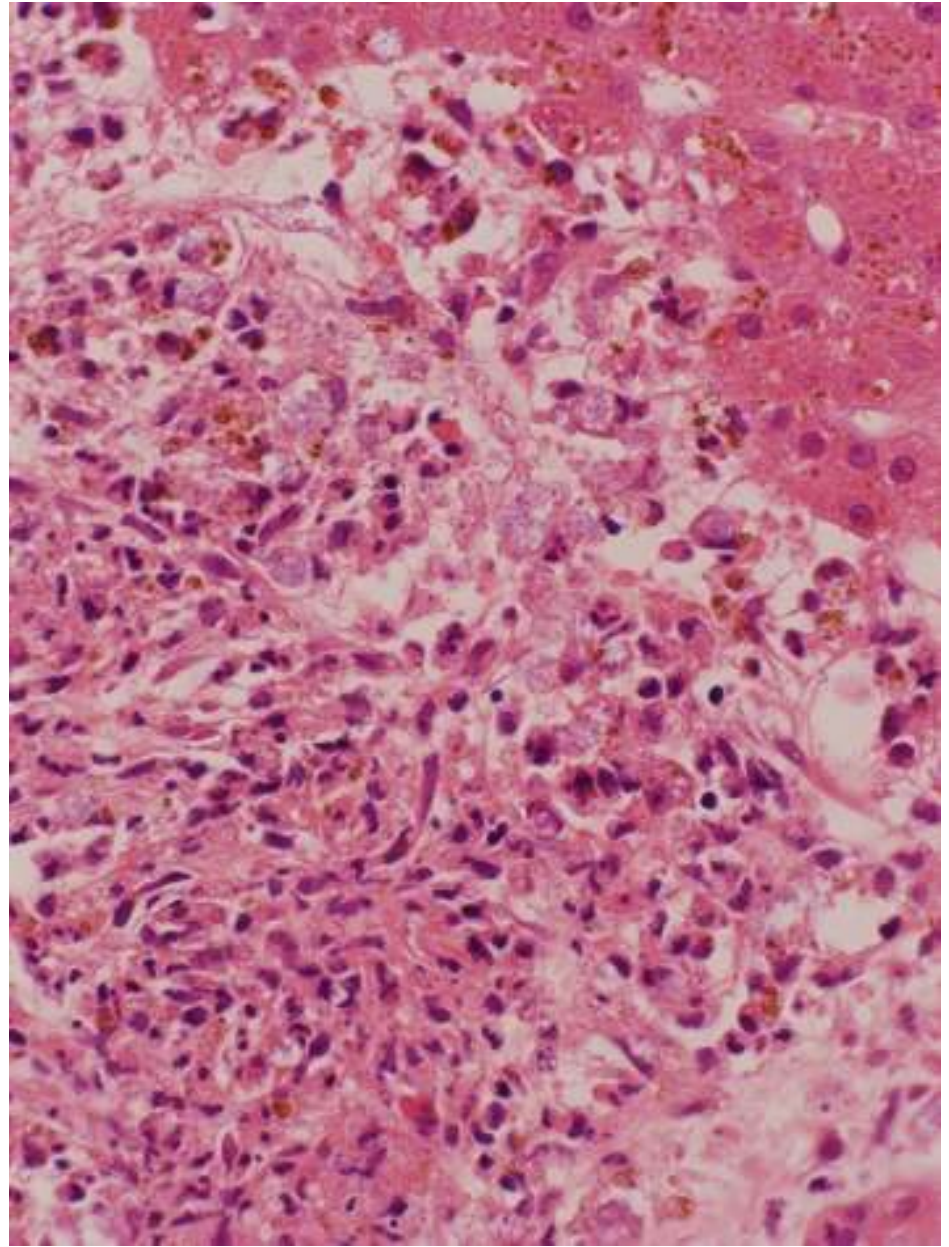
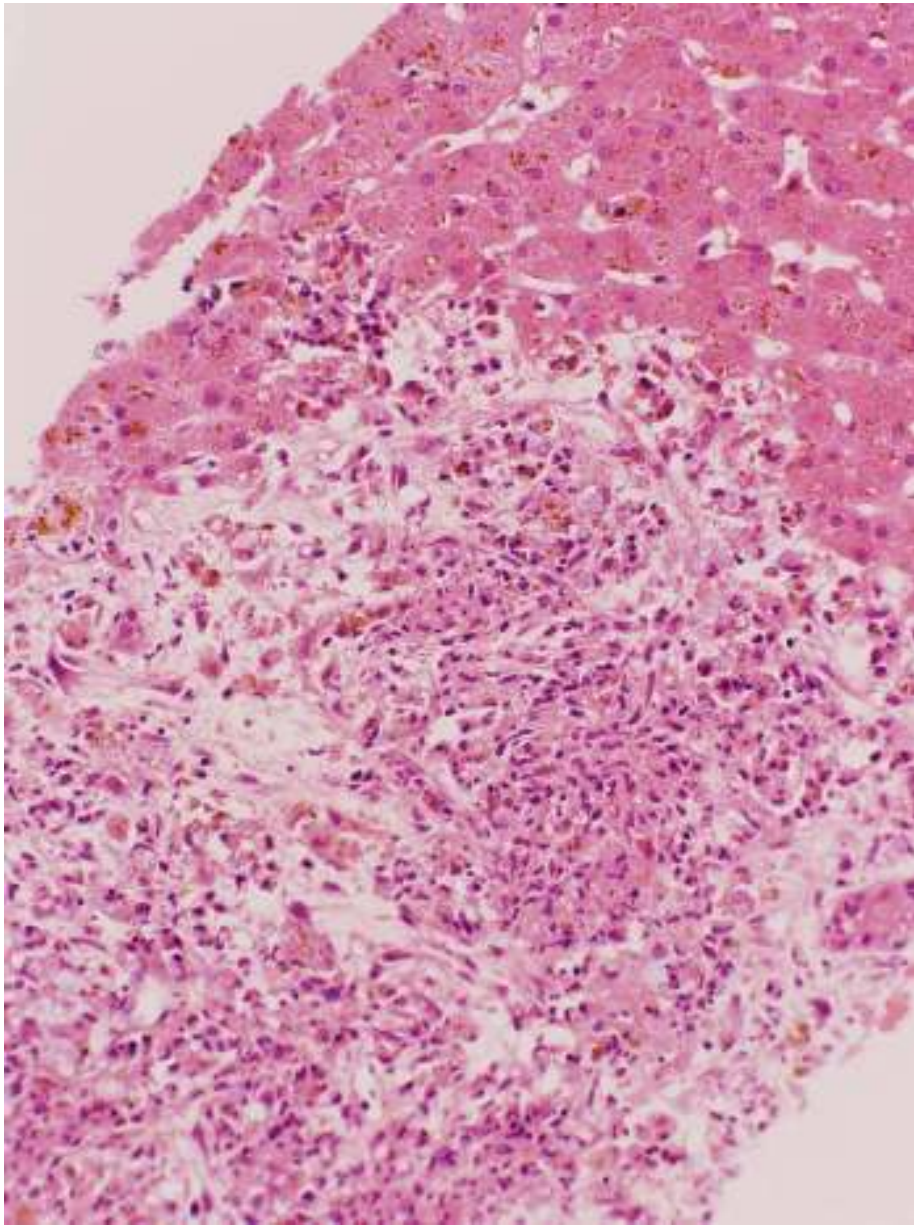
Not on steroids or cyclosporin

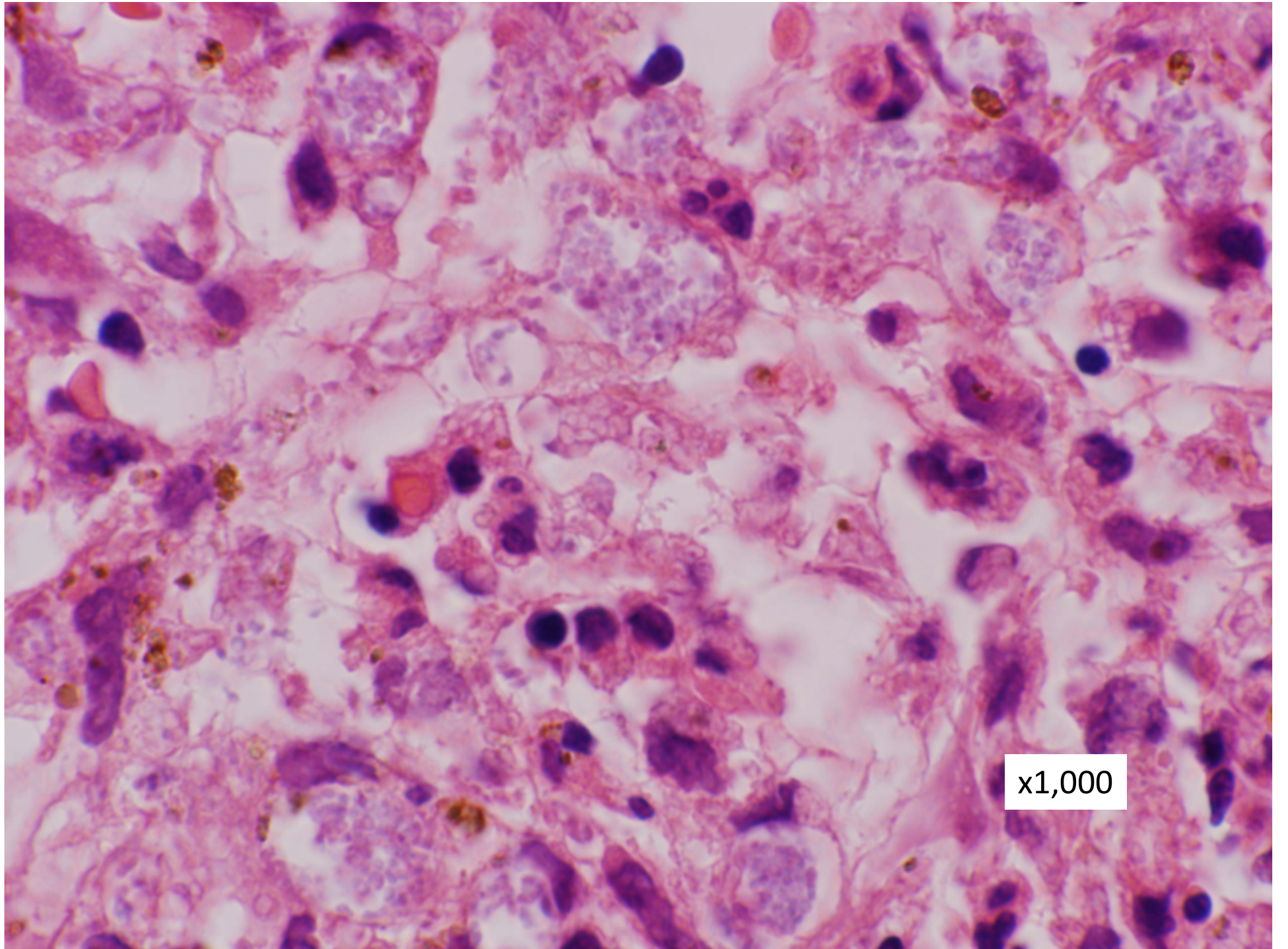
Fever; liver failure

Liver biopsy

“Is this toxoplasmosis?”







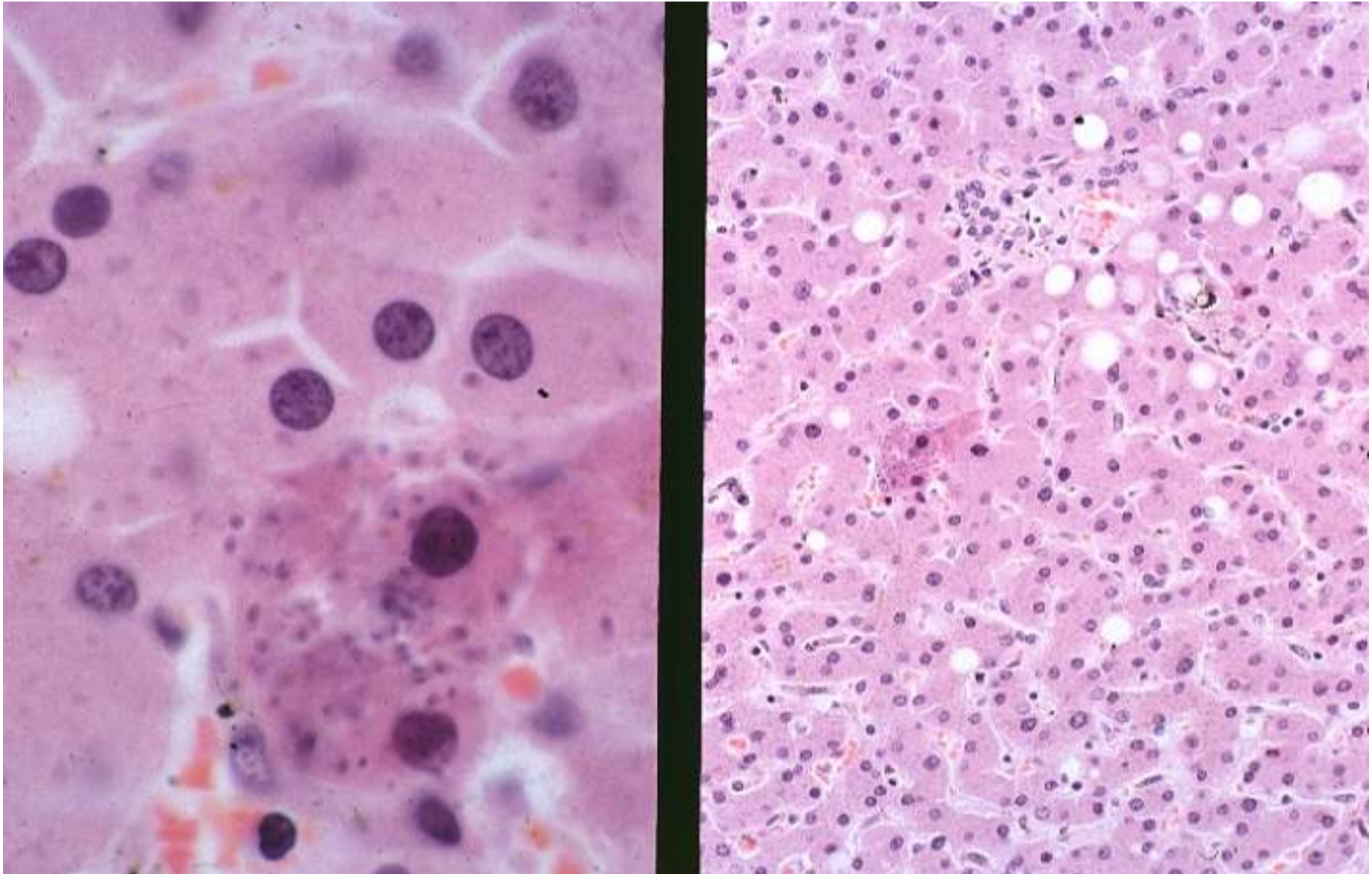
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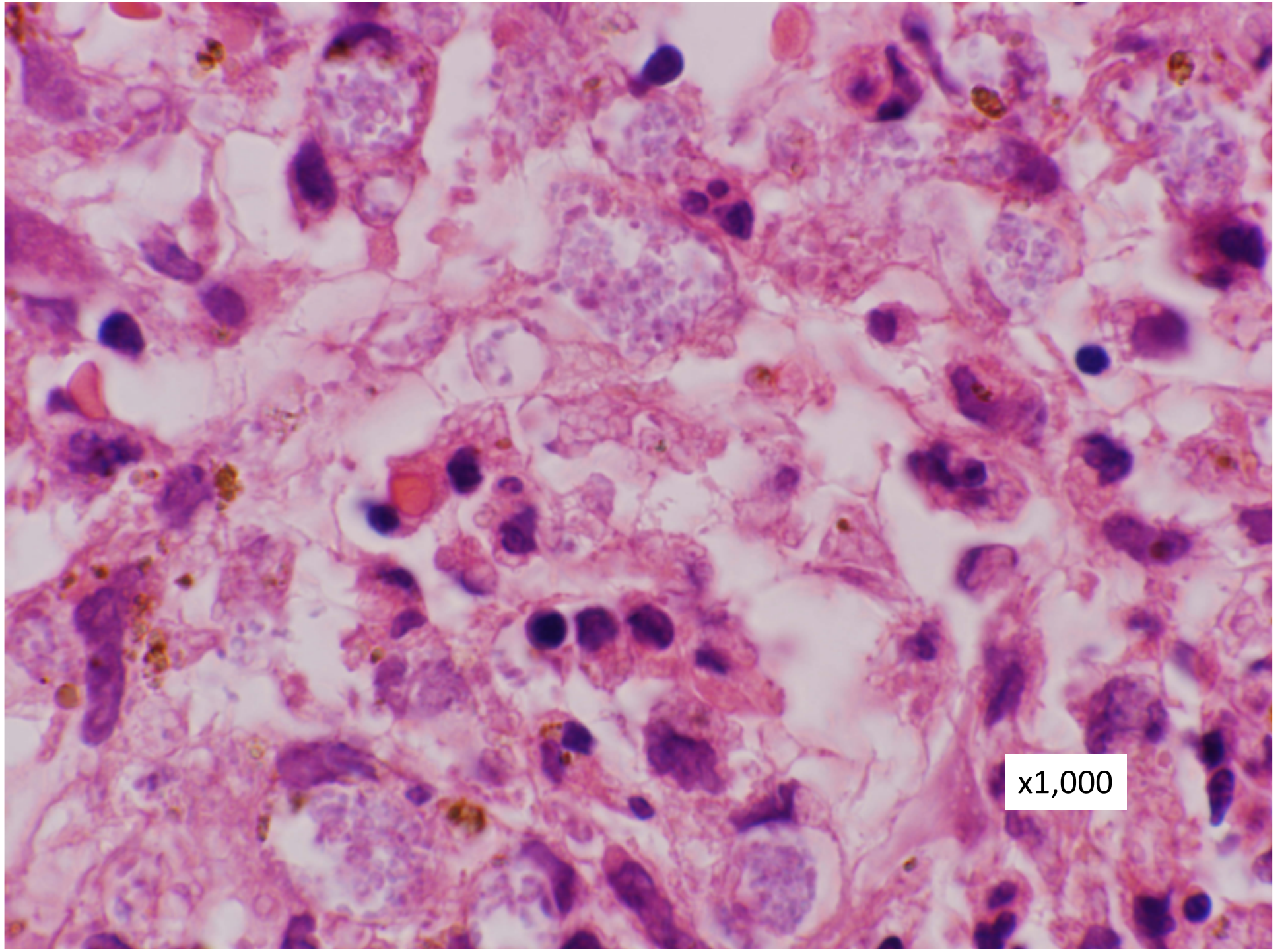
Small blue dots

- Toxoplasma
- Trypanosoma cruzi
- Leishmania
- Cryptosporidium
- microsporidia

- Bacterial cocci
 - Staphylococcus
- Fungi
 - Histoplasma capsulatum
 - Candida spp
 - Penicillium marneffeii

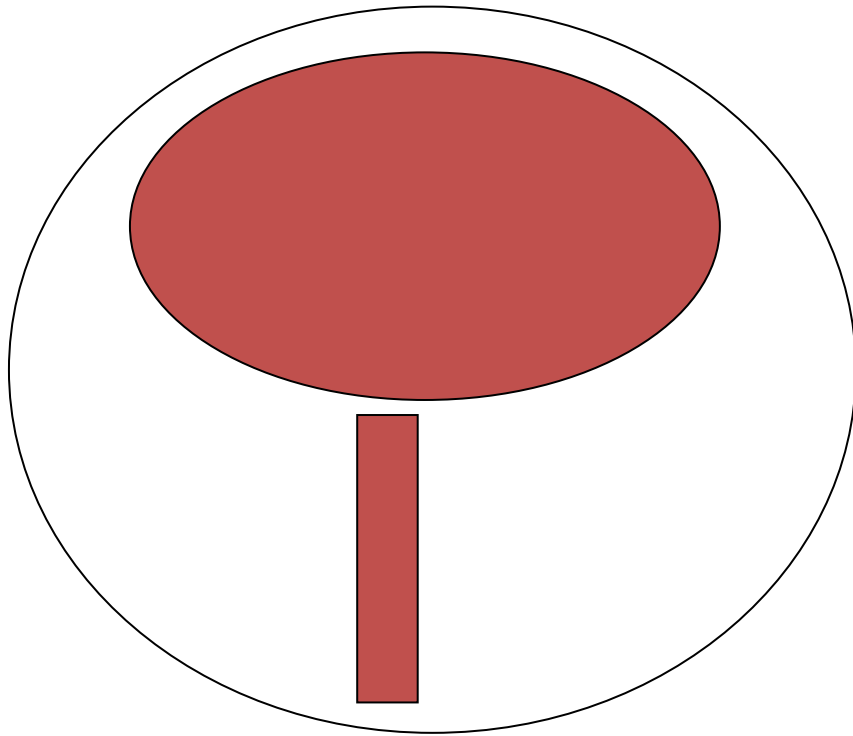
Toxoplasma gondii



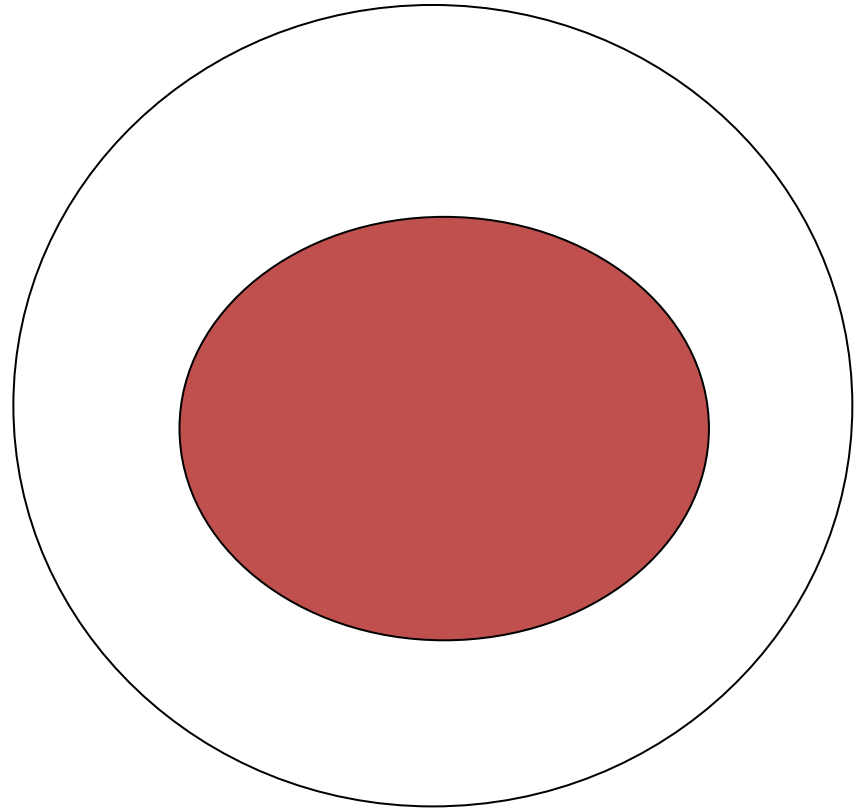


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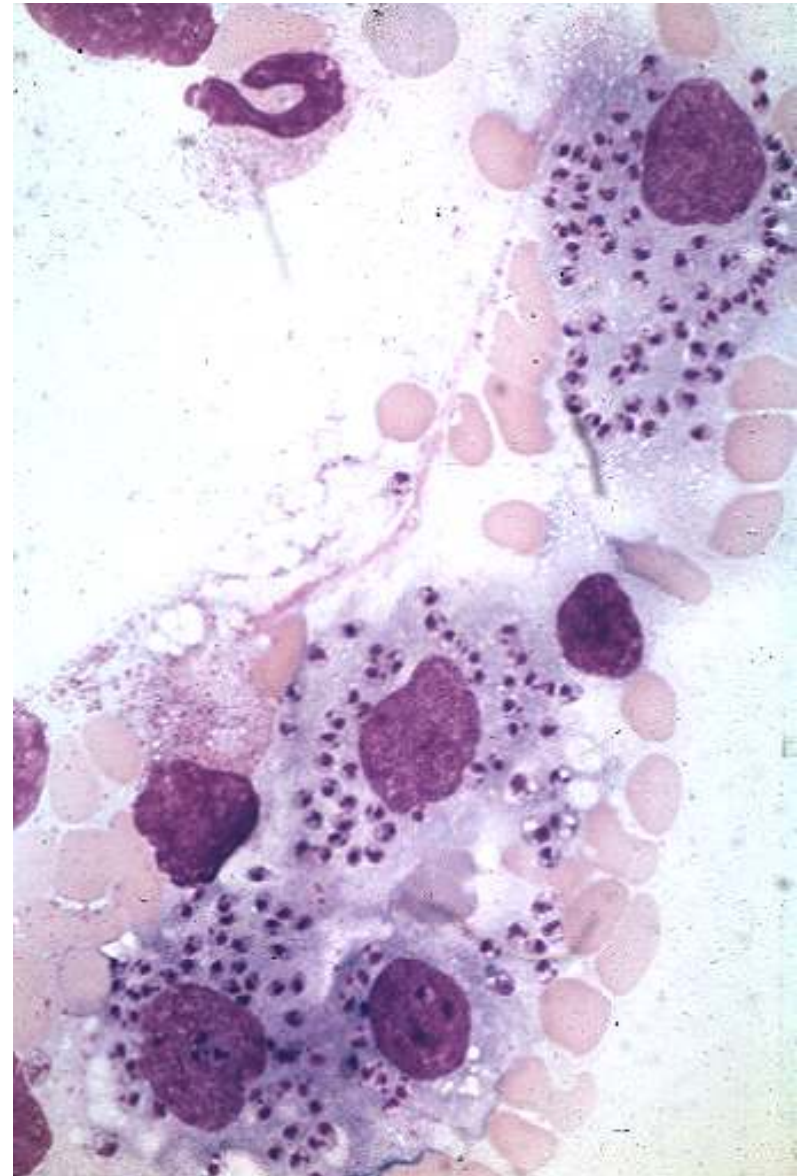
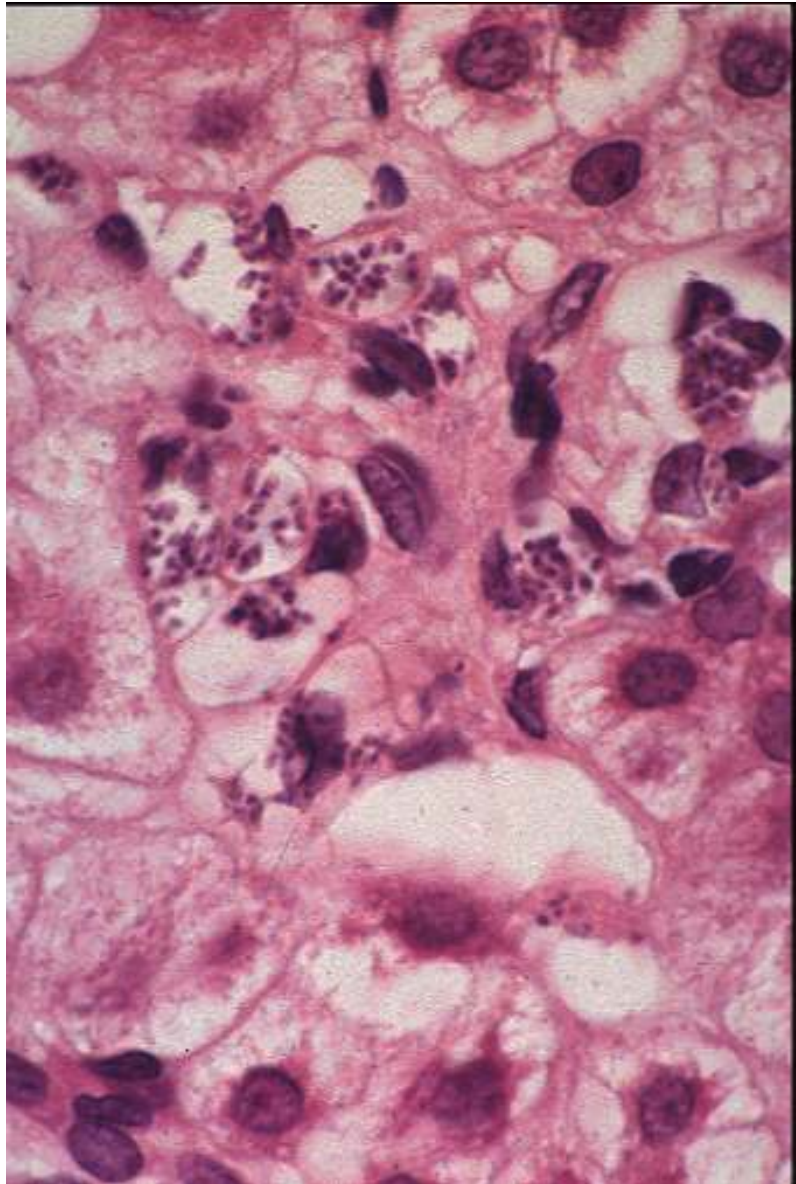
Leish vs Histo

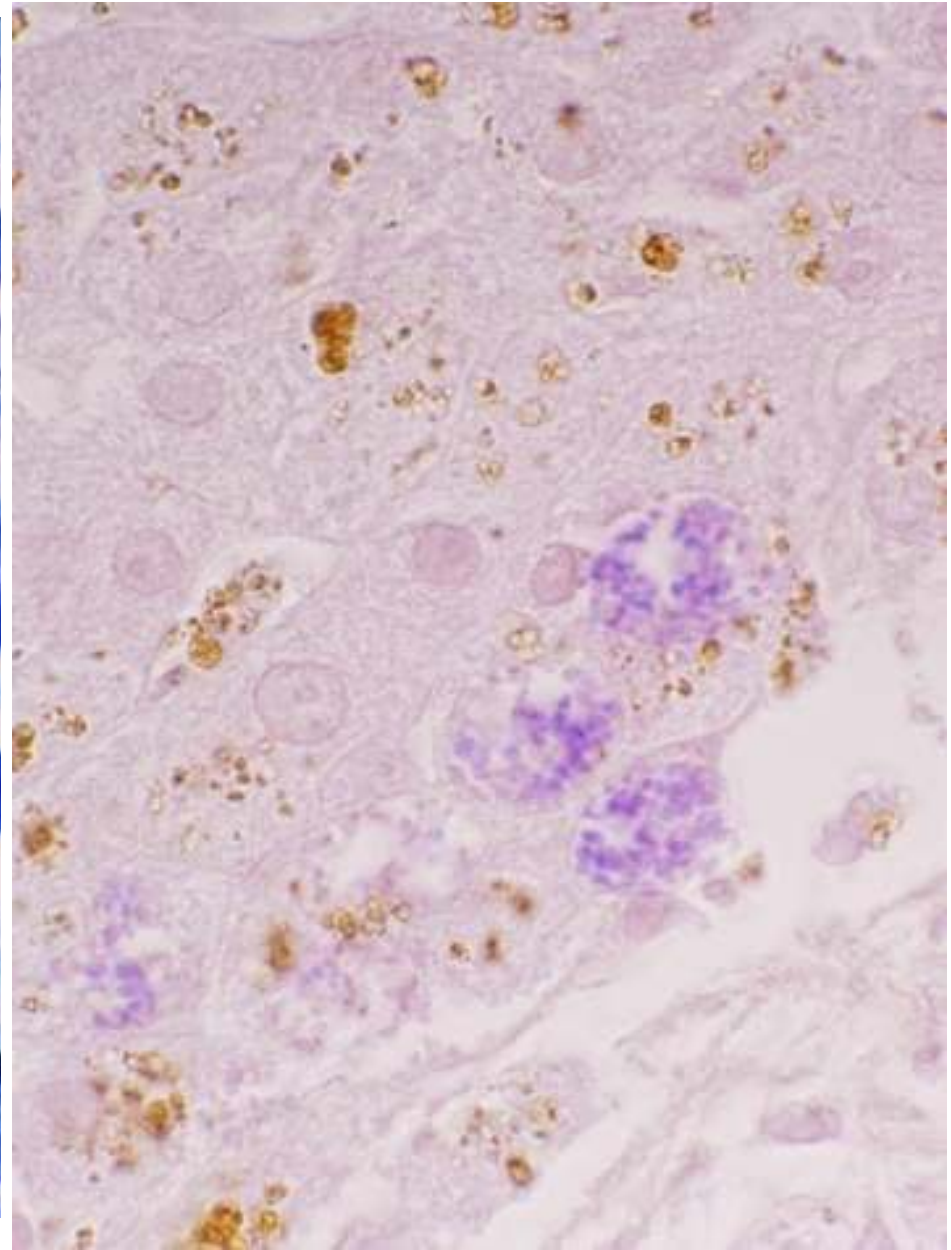
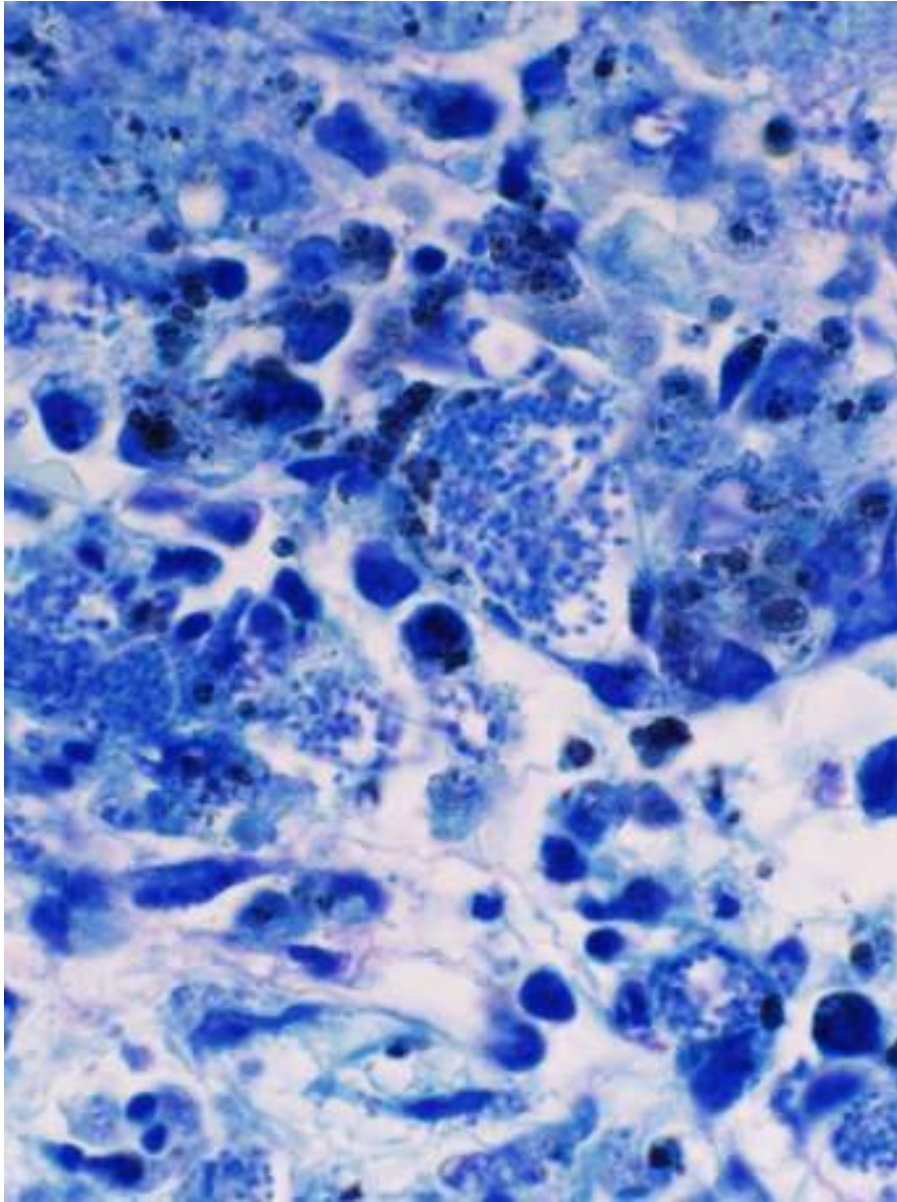


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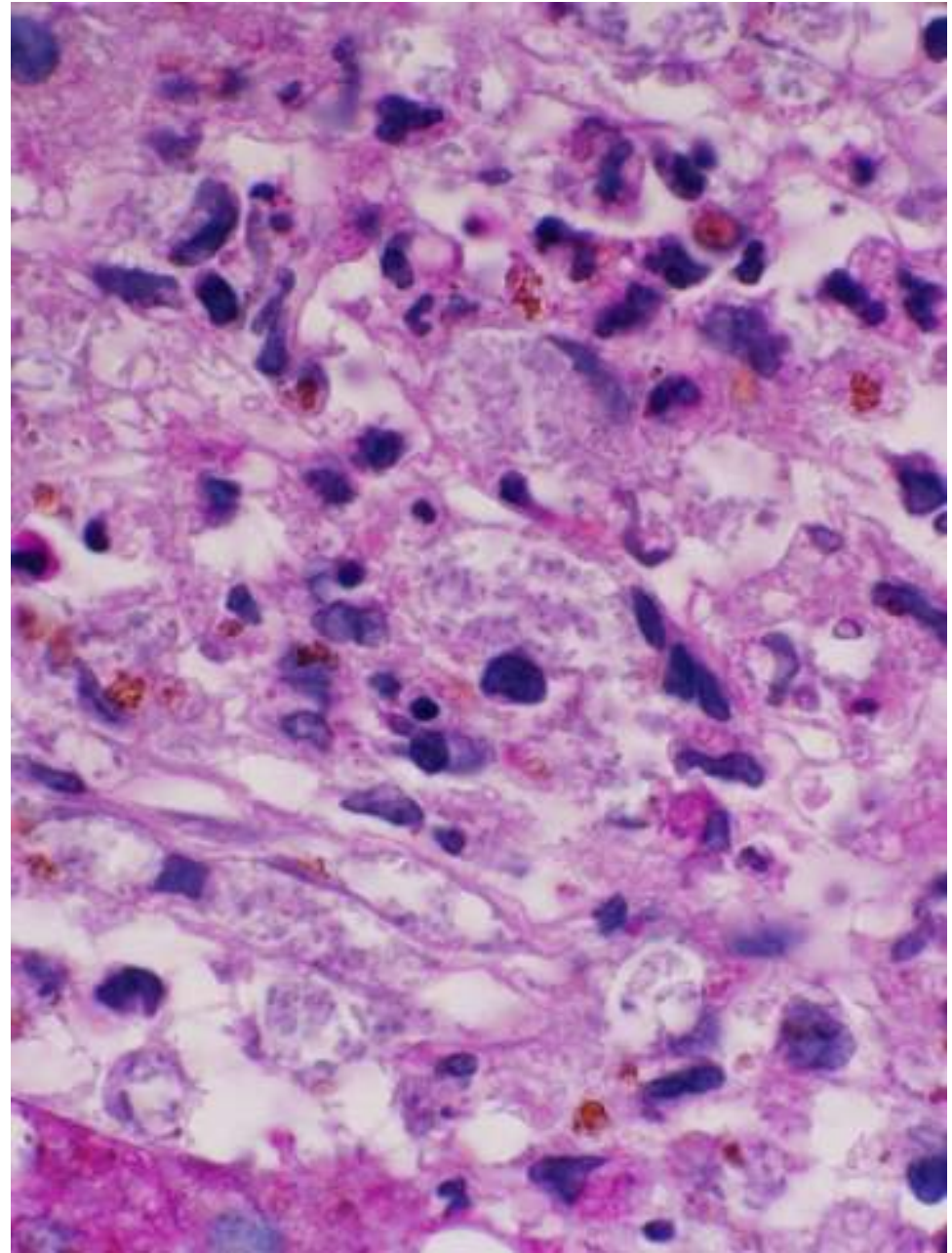
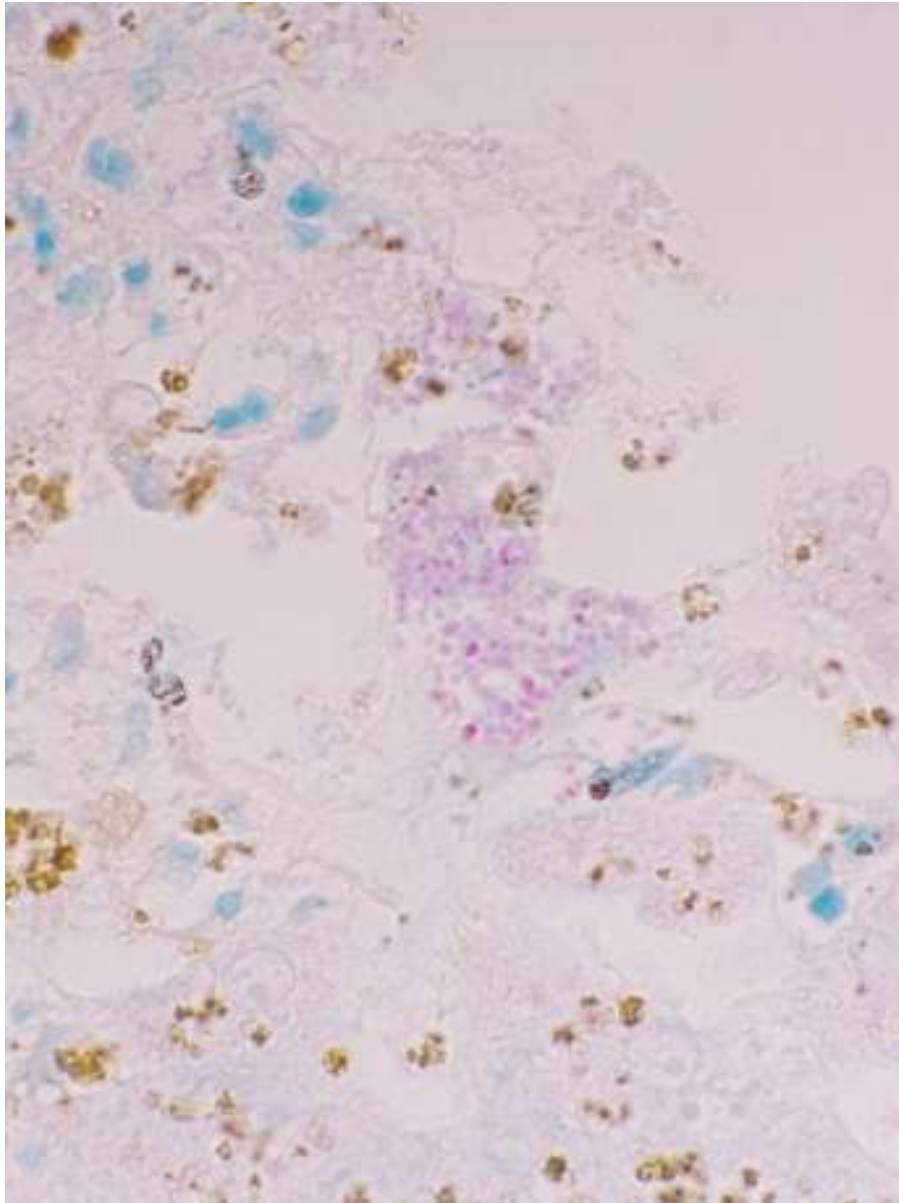


Leish histo & cyto





Giemsa & Gram = protozoa, eccentric nucleus gram+



ZN (carbol fuchsin)+ and PAS+ polar dots

Case

- Not fungi
- Not bacterial
- Protozoa
 - Not leishmania or toxoplasma
- Microsporidia
 - Encephalitozoon sp
 - Pleistophora sp

How to confirm microsporidia?

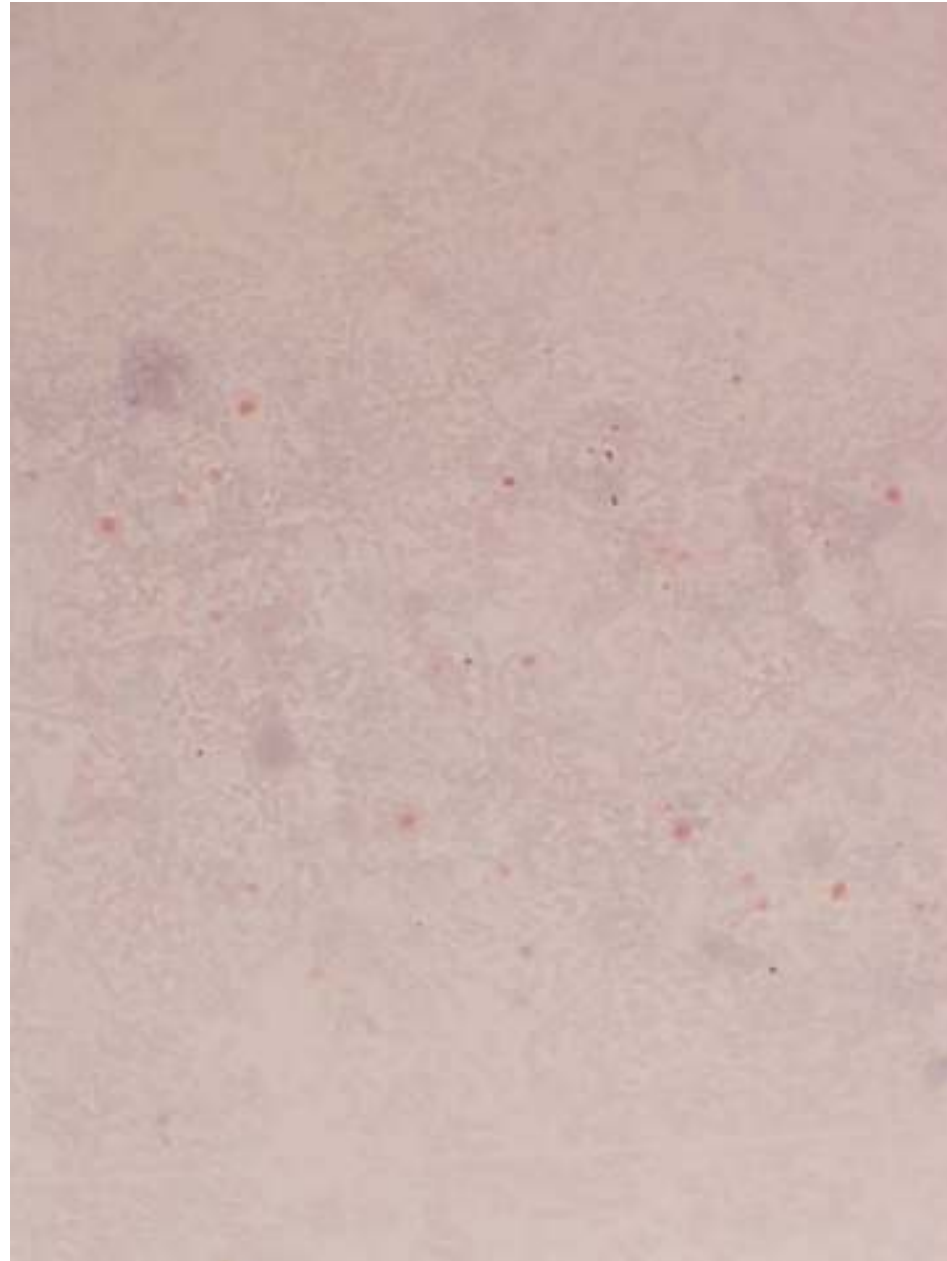
Electron microscopy

Faecal analysis (acid fast
stain)

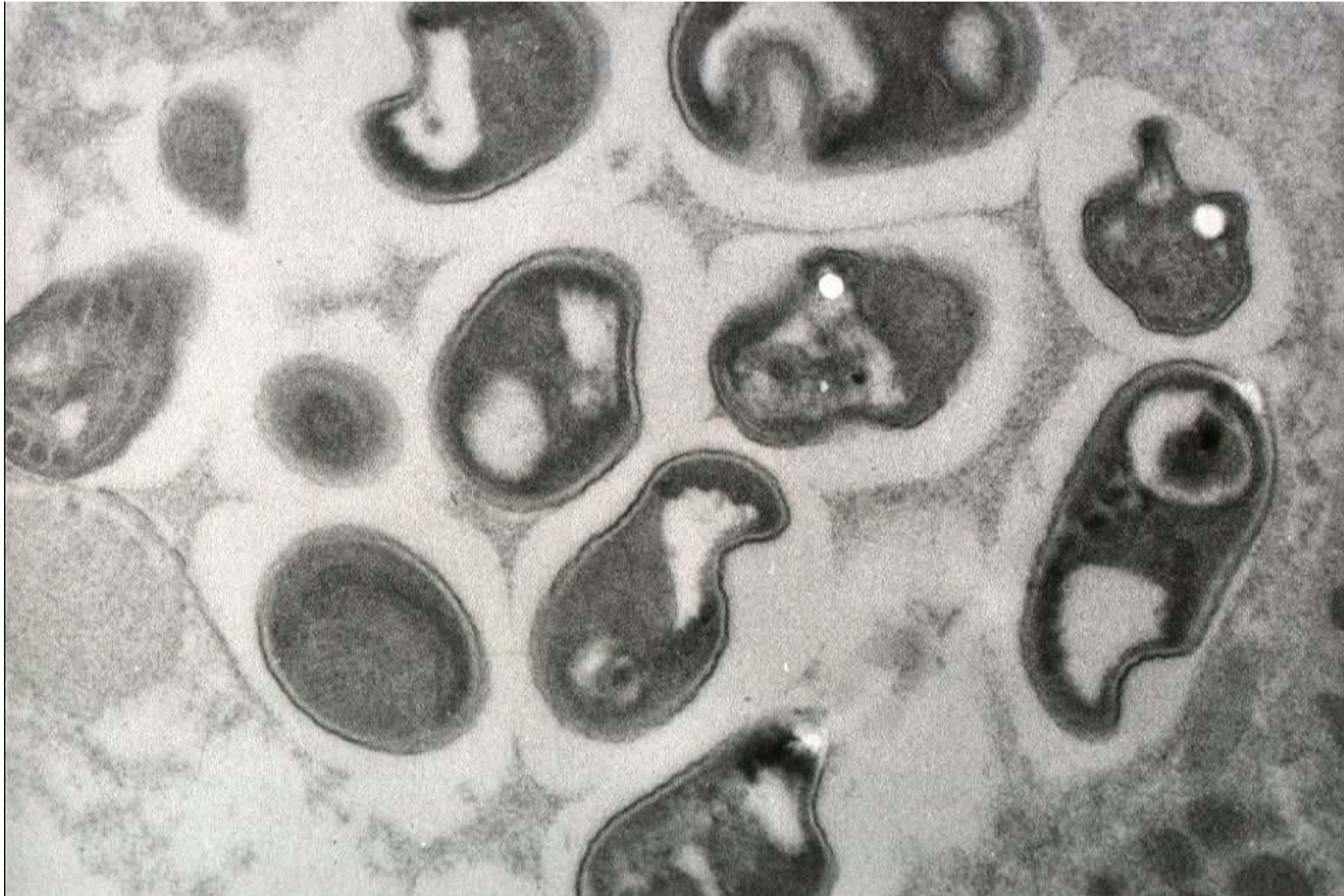
PCR on tissue or faeces
[no tissue remained in the
biopsy block]

PCR = *Encephalitozoon
cuniculi*

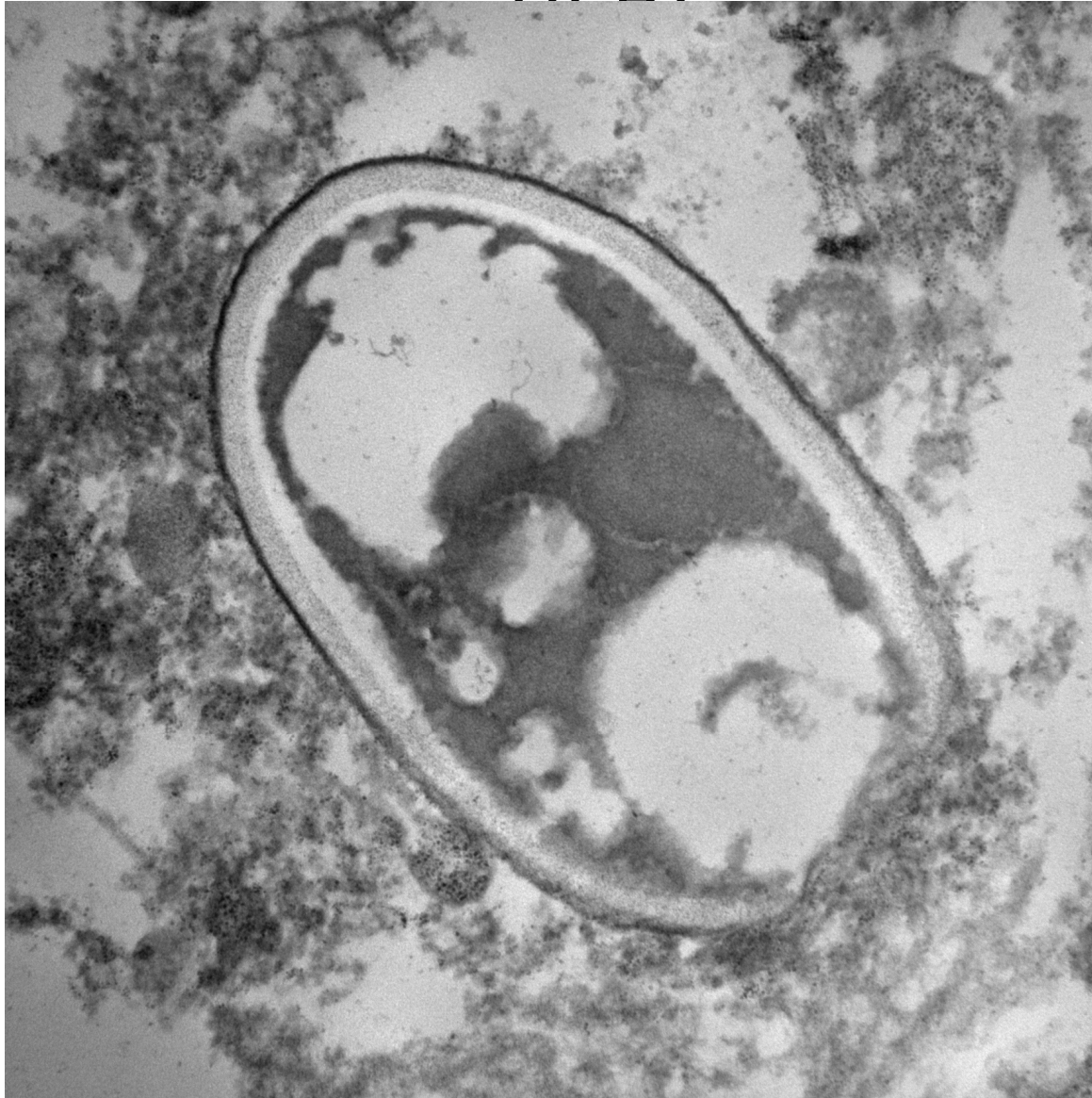
***Patient died despite
therapy***



EM identification



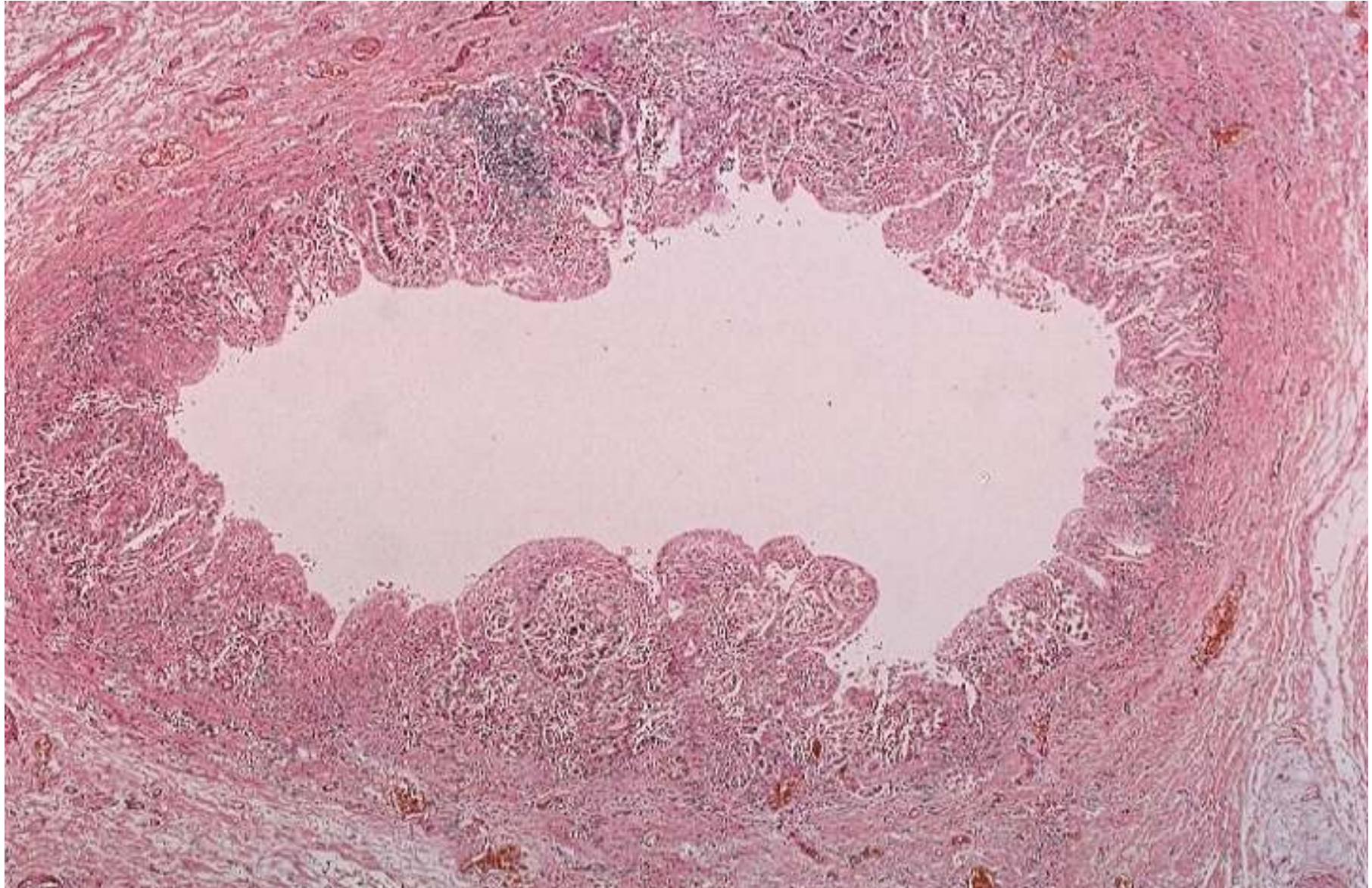
EM (thanks to Alan Curry, Manchester
HDA)



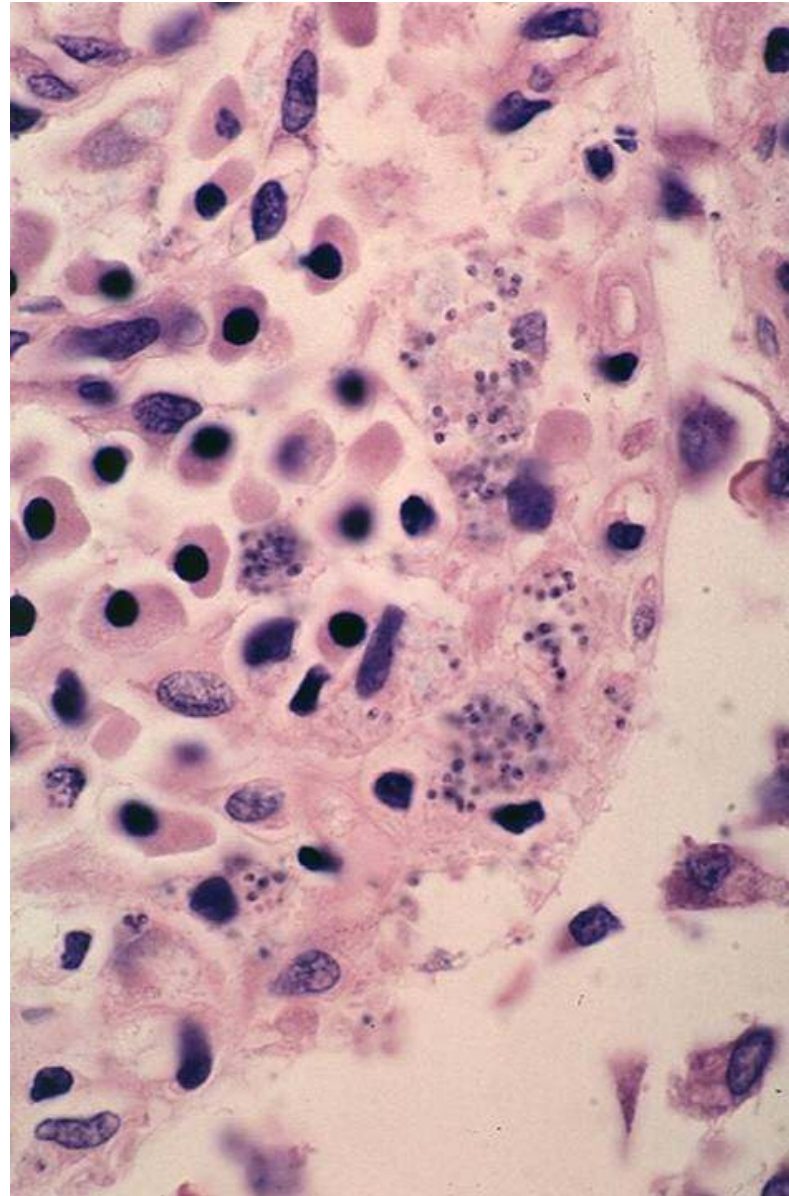
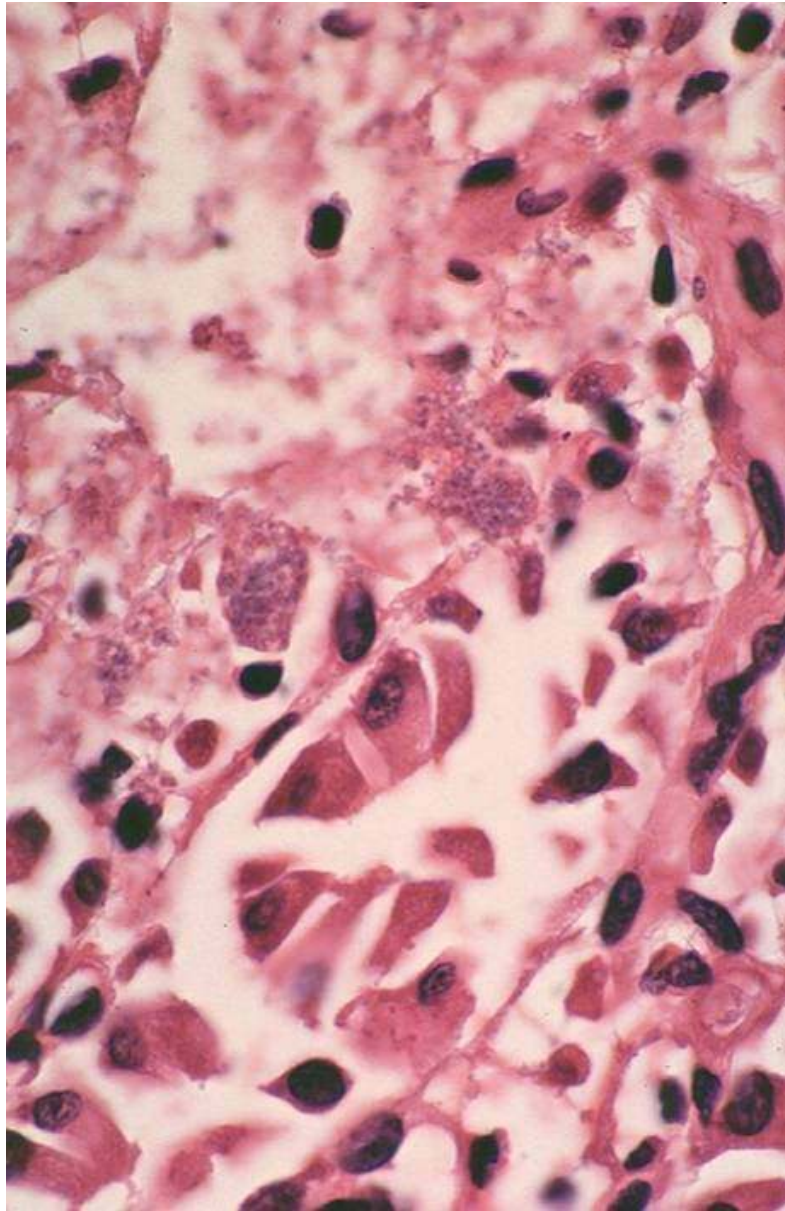
Microsporidia

- Parasitic protozoa of invertebrates & vertebrates
- Well known to vet pathologists
- Virtually unknown to human pathology until HIV/AIDS
- 1985: *Enterocytozoon bieneusi* – gut
- 1987: *Encephalitozoon intestinalis* – gut, systemic infection
- et seq: many other species - *Pleistophora*, *E.cuniculi*
- Treatment? albendazole + itraconazole

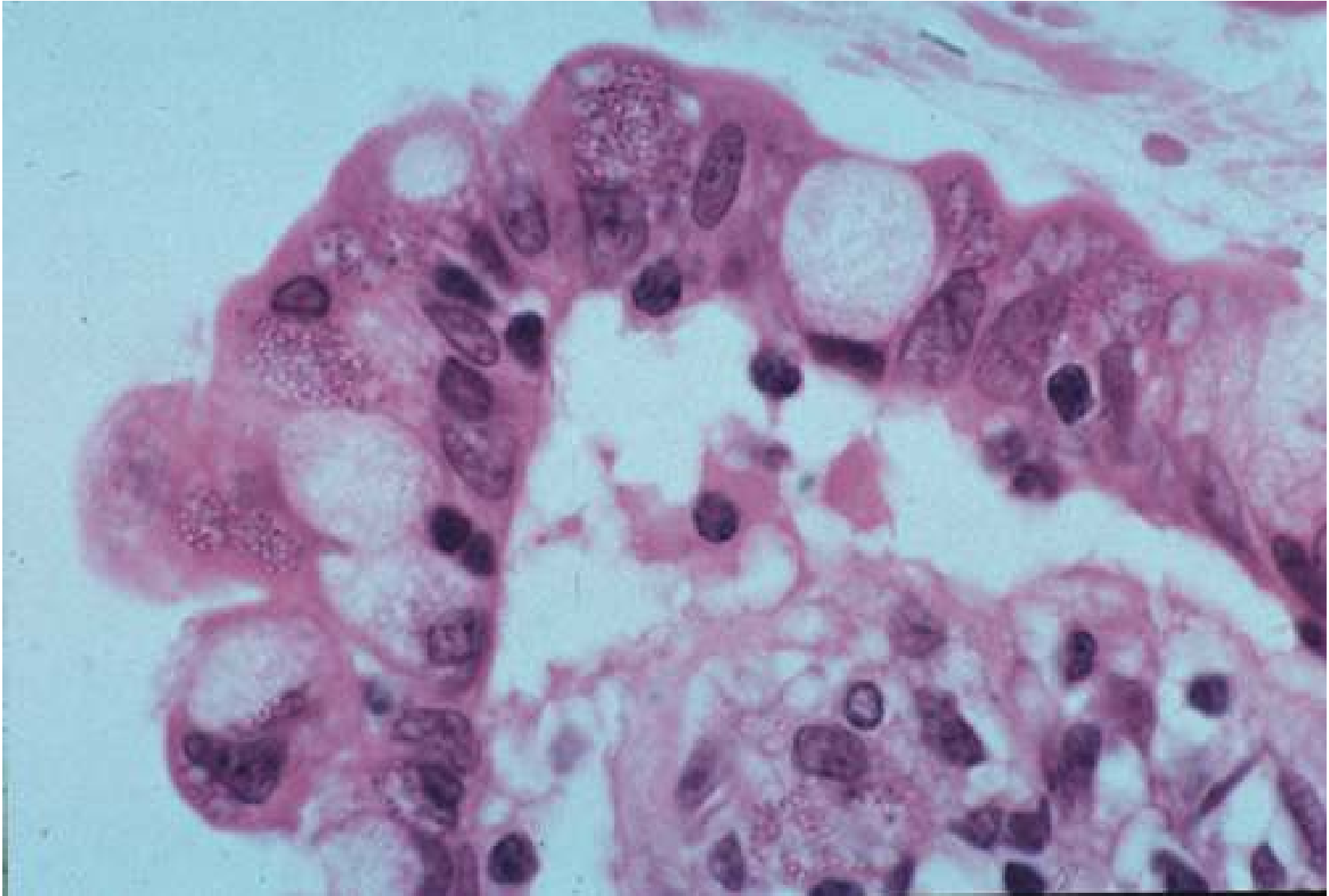
An autopsy case - cholangitis



Autopsy case of disseminated microsporidiosis



microsporidiosis



Case solved

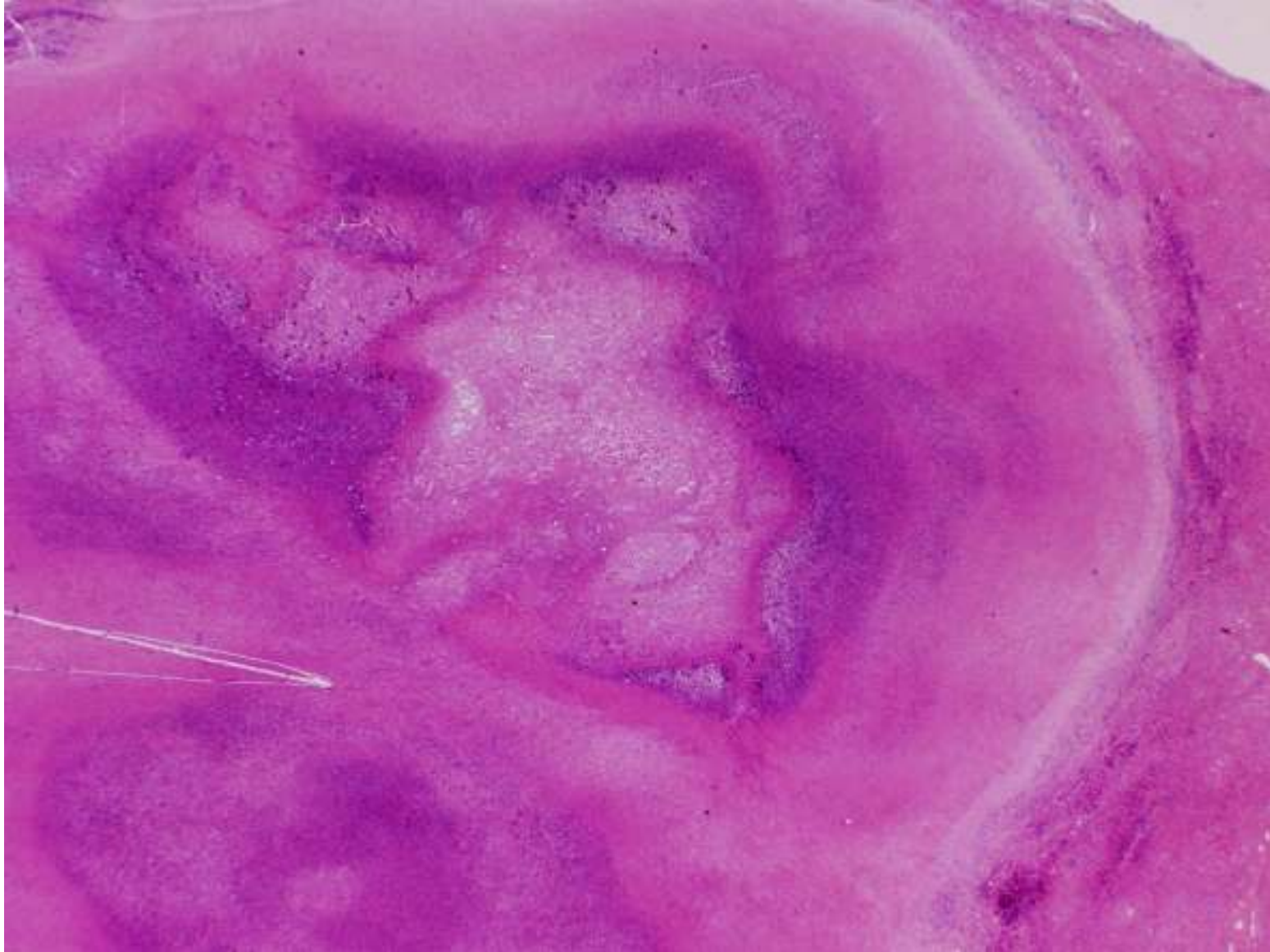
- H&E histopathology
 - Supportive special stains
- Exclusion of alternatives (special stain)
- Examination of corroborative material
- Molecular diagnostics
- Electron microscopy
- In the meantime, treatment started
 - albendazole + itraconazole

Case 2

- Female Briton age 74
- Scan of liver shows a mass
- ? Tumour

- Partial liver resection 17 x 13 x 7cm
- Well circumscribed mass comprising two adjacent nodules 2cm diameter

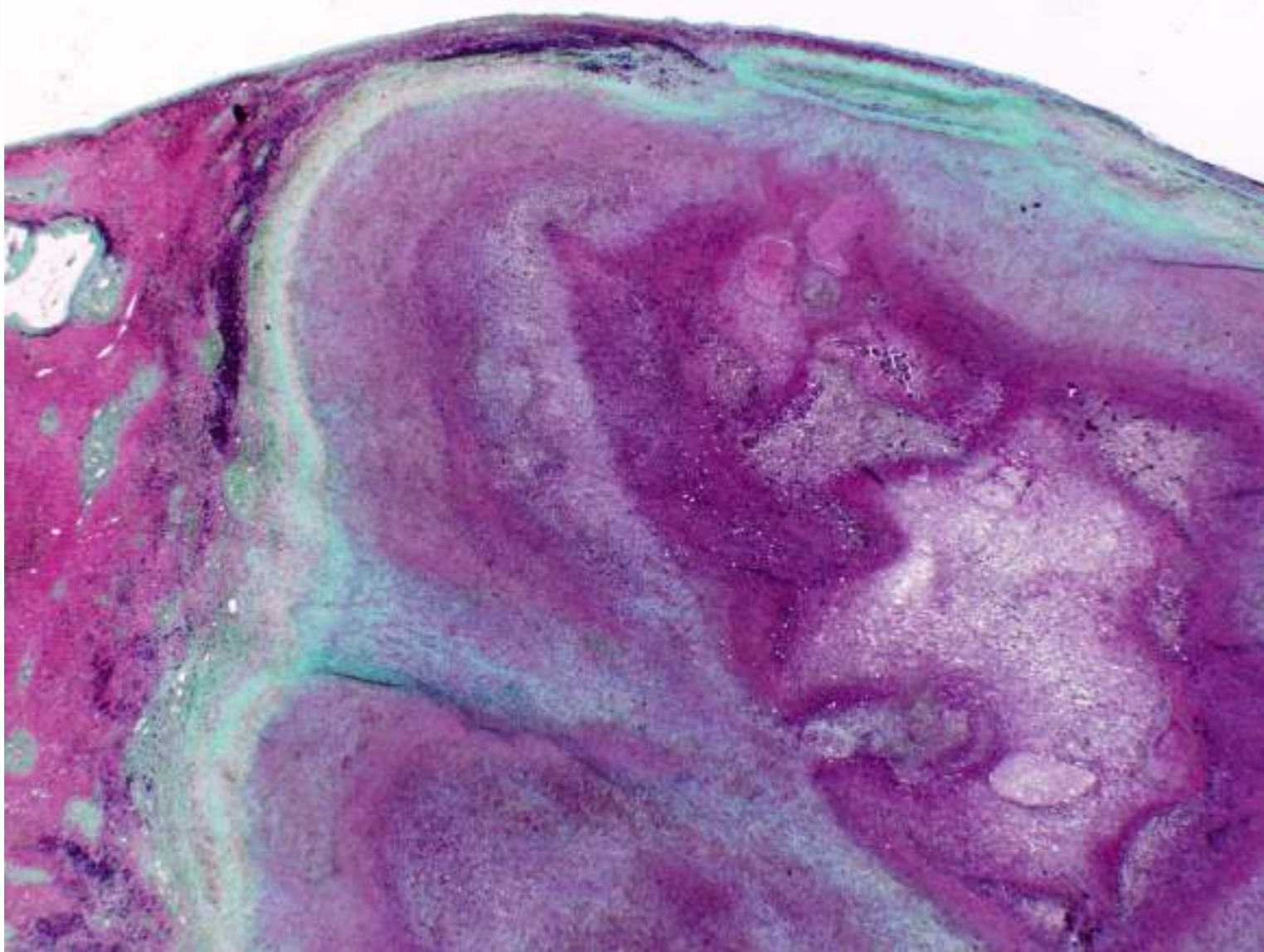
Liver resection – H&E



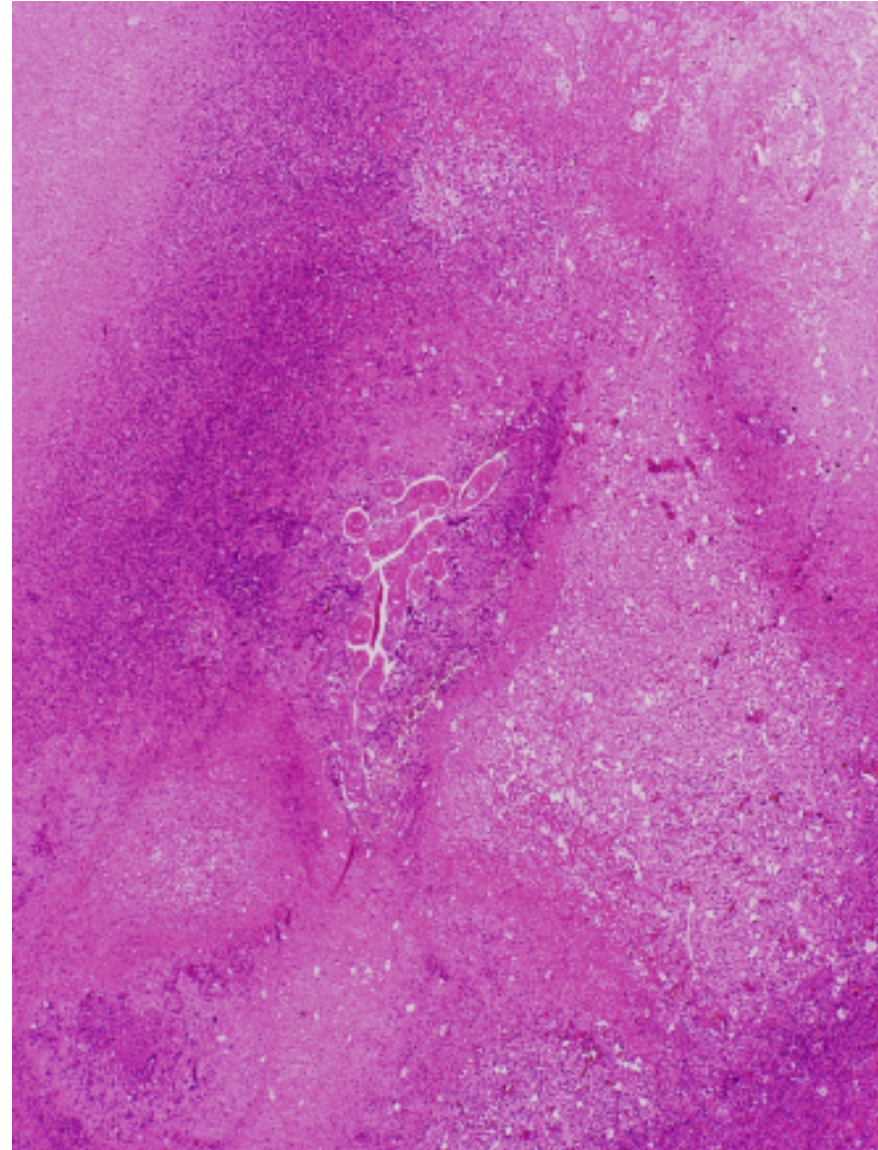
Eosinophilic necrotic nodules (liver, lymph node, spleen)

- Worm infections
- Tumour
 - Hodgkin disease
- Drug reaction
- Idiopathic allergy / immunopathology
- NB: no useful published literature
 - *'Focal eosinophilic necrosis' (FEN) mentioned in the radiological imaging literature from Asia*

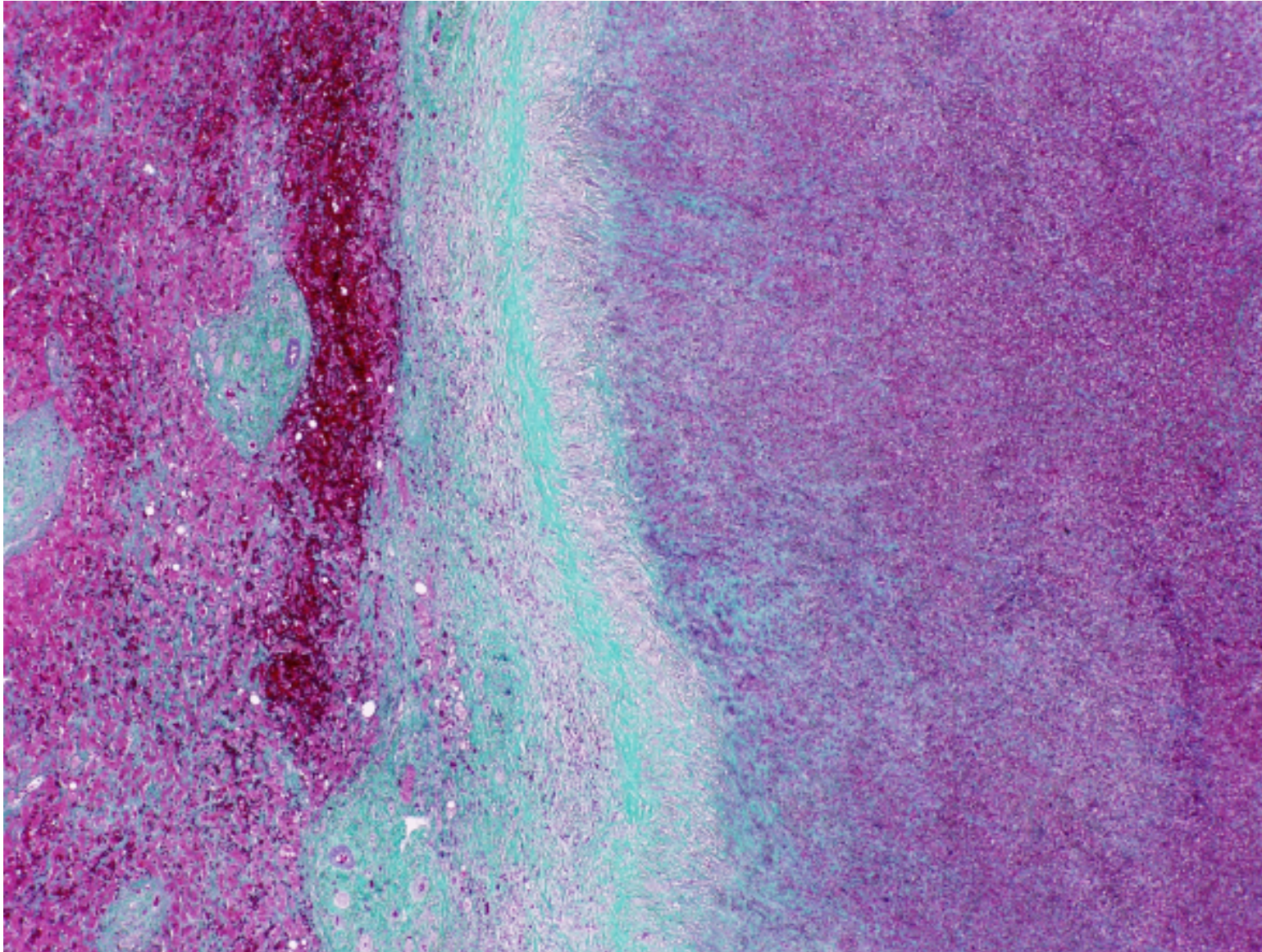
Liver resection



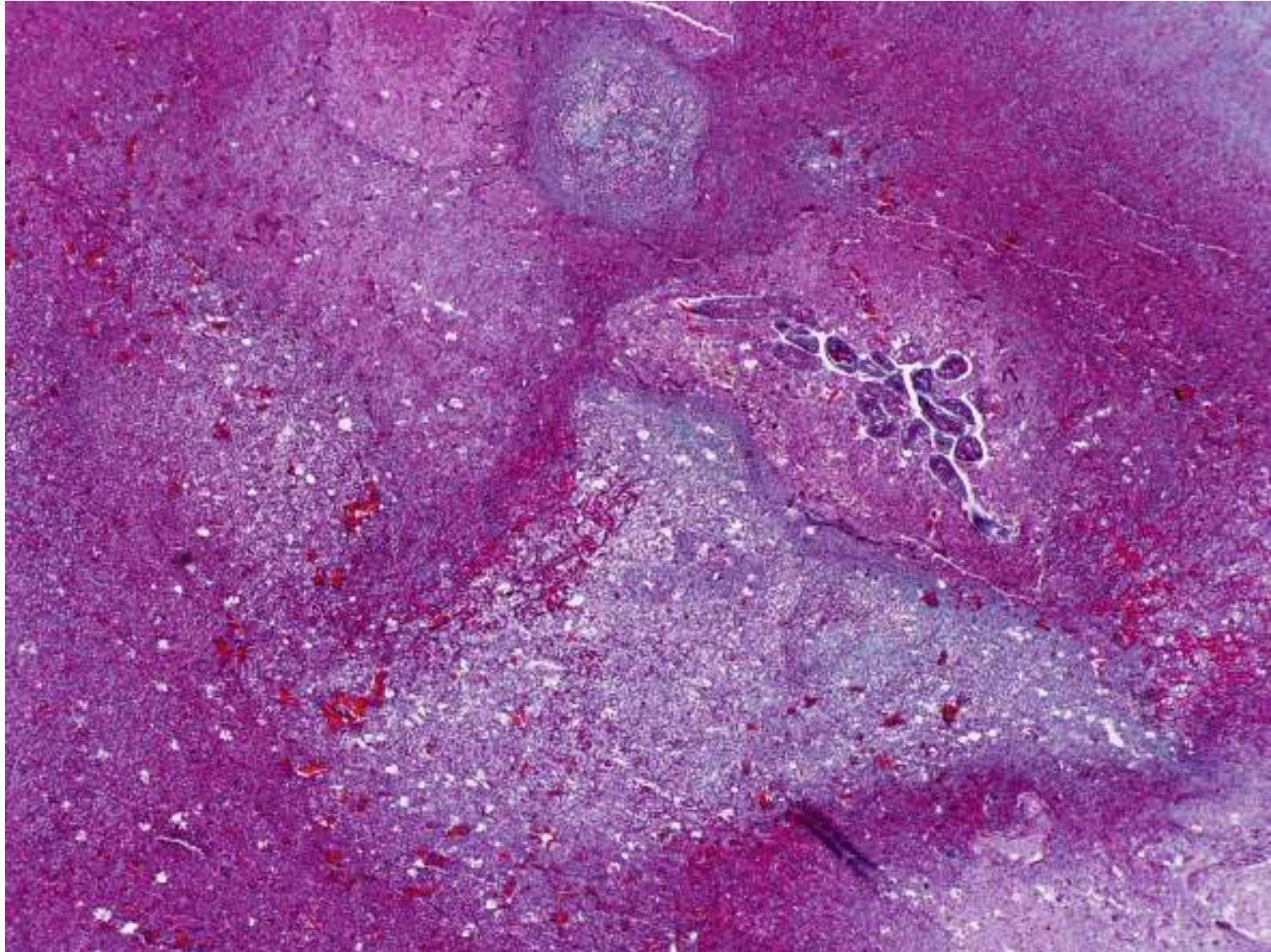
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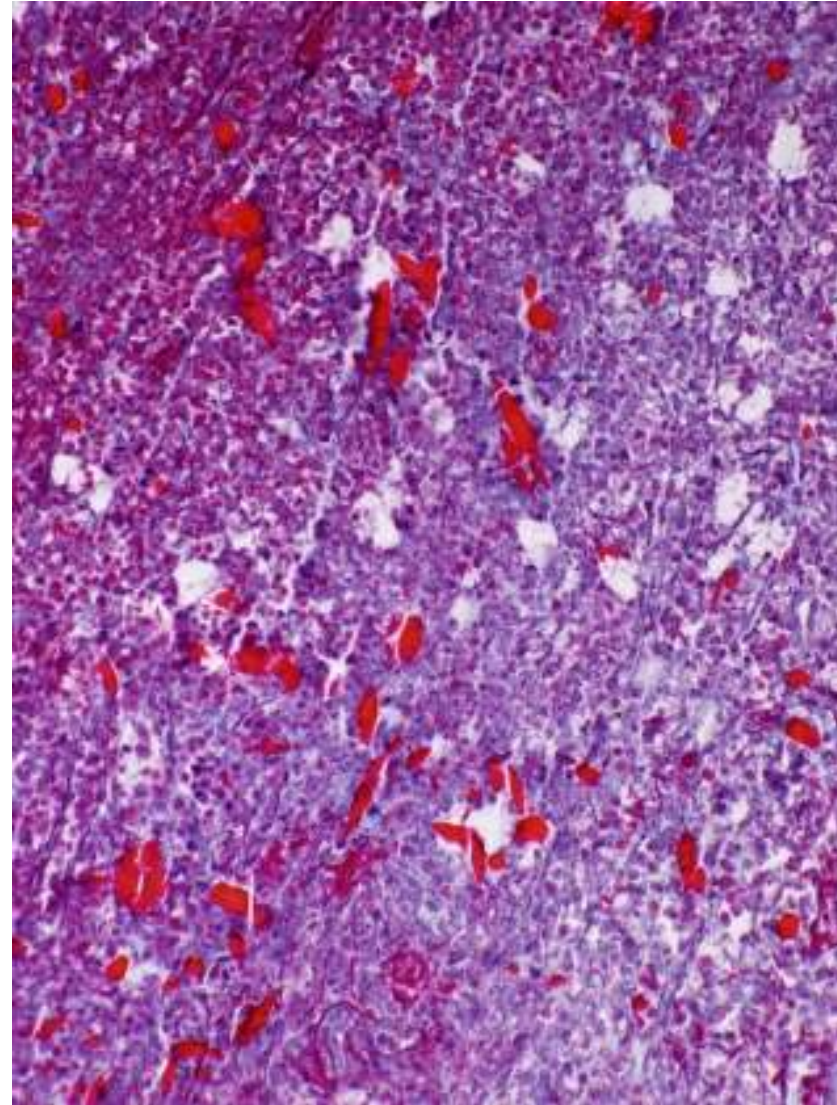
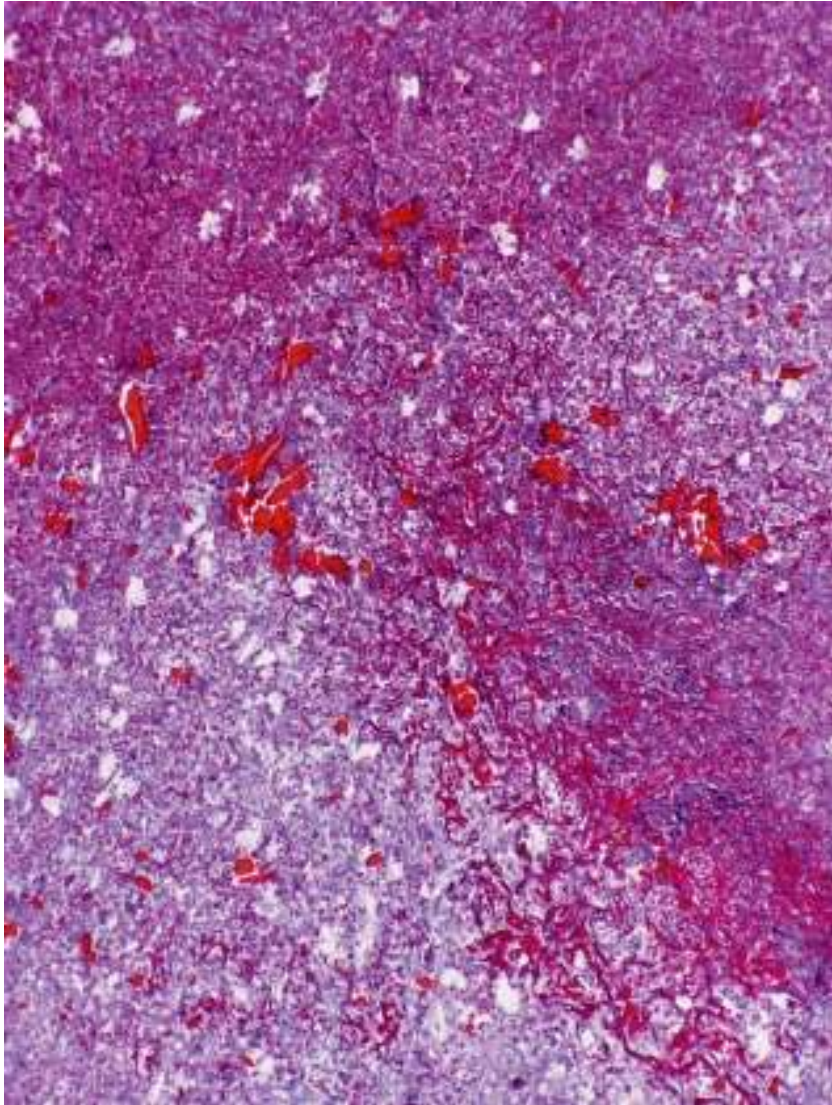
Liver resection



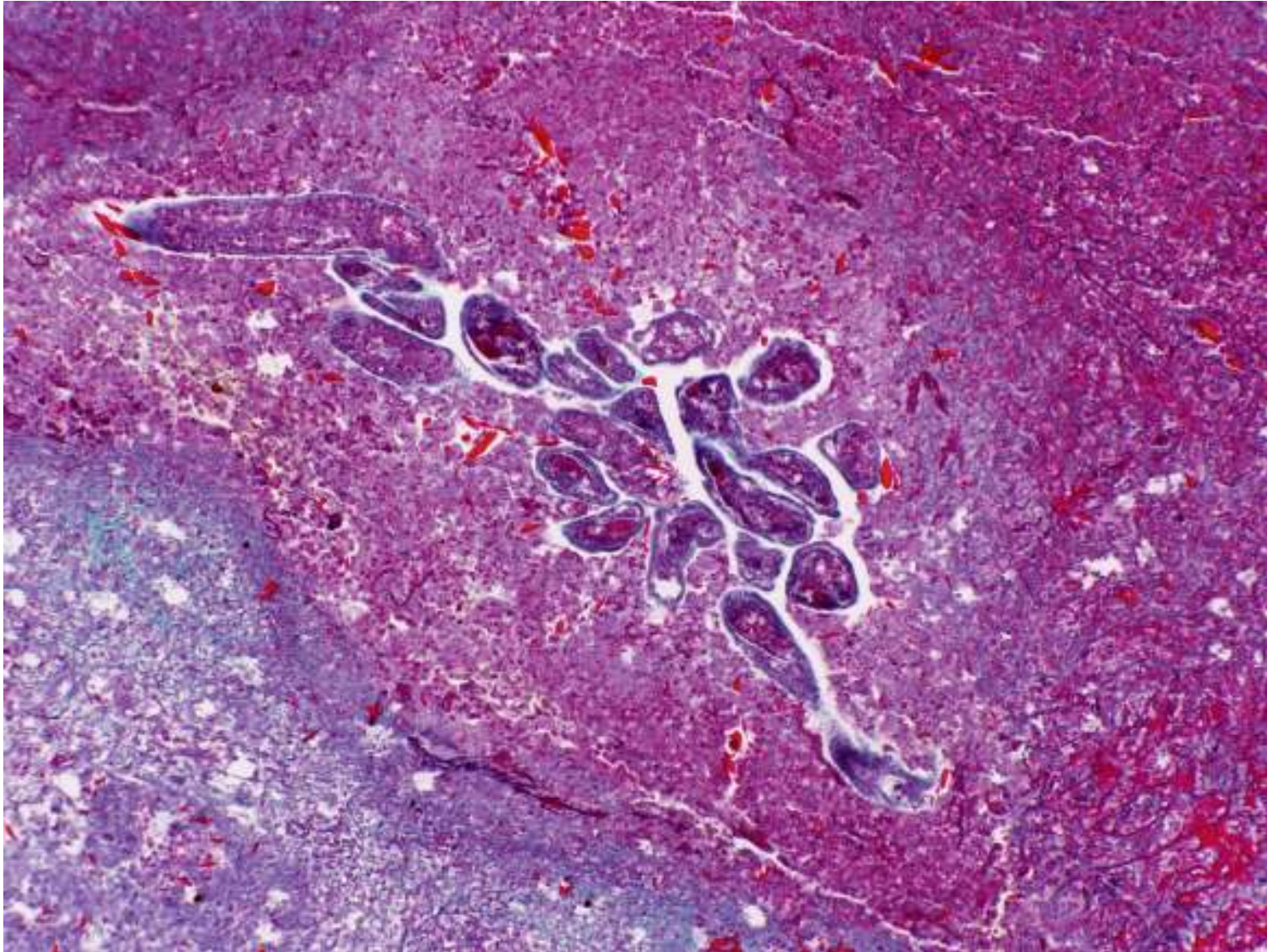
Liver resection



Liver resection – Charcot-Leyden crystals



Liver resection – what is this?



Case 2

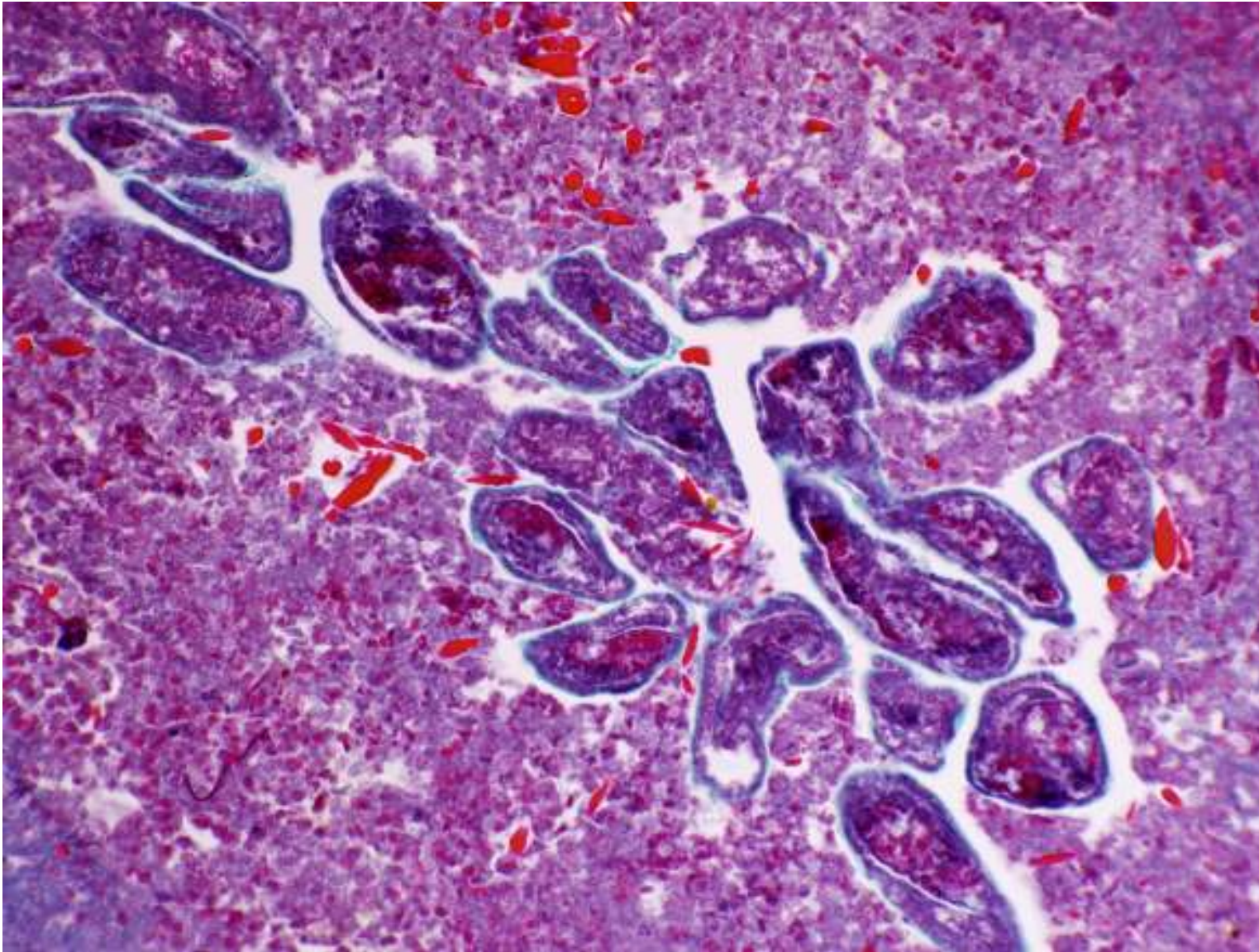
- Original diagnosis
 - Hydatid cyst
- ...but hydatid serology negative
- Review of biopsy.....

Your [Swiss path soc] diagnoses

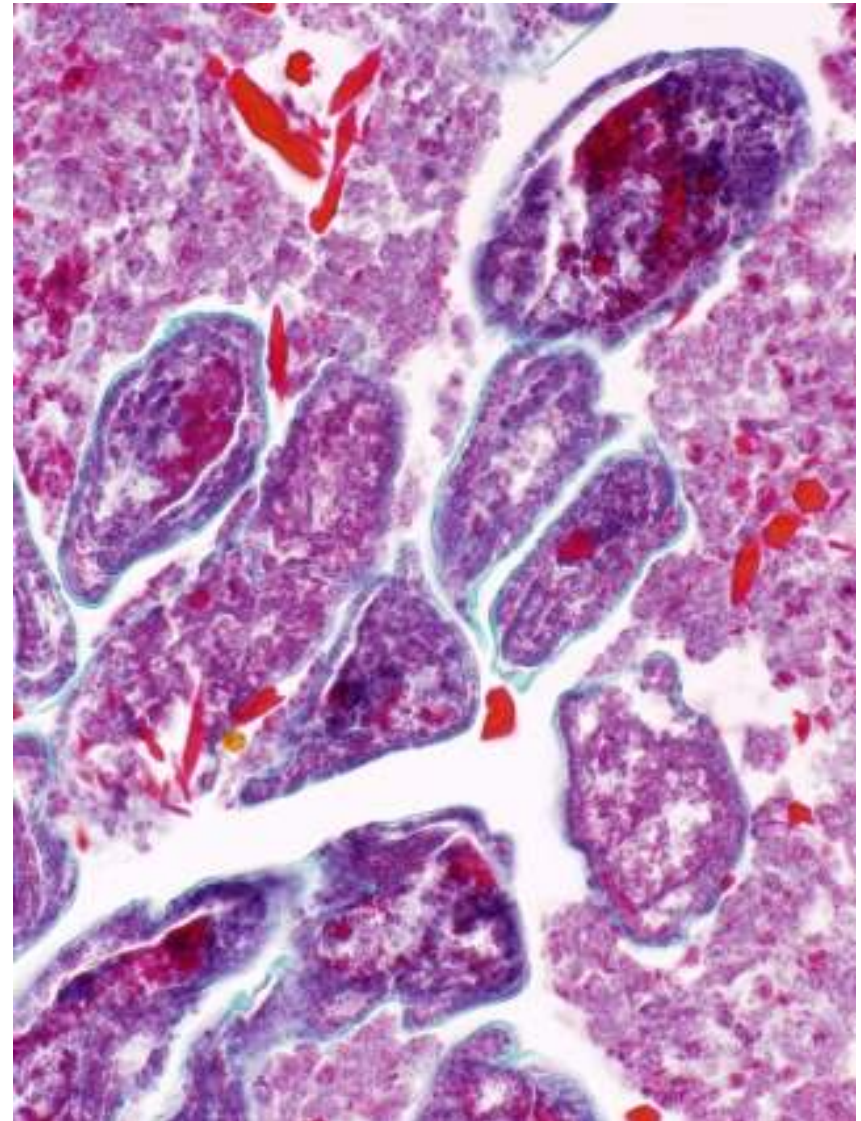
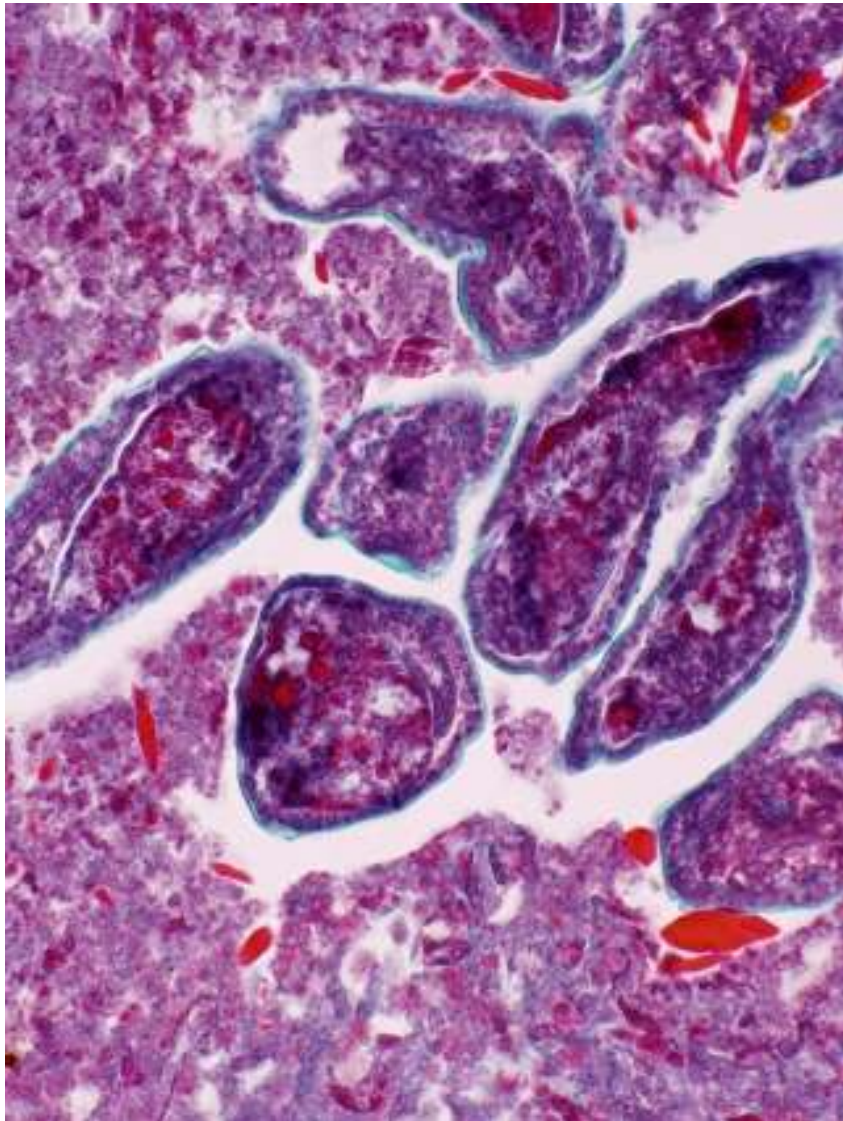
- Amoebic abscess 14
- Fungal abscess 3

- Worm
 - Hydatid 9
 - Enterobius 7
 - Schistosomiasis 4
 - Onchocerca 1
 - Fasciola 1
 - Dicrocoelium 1

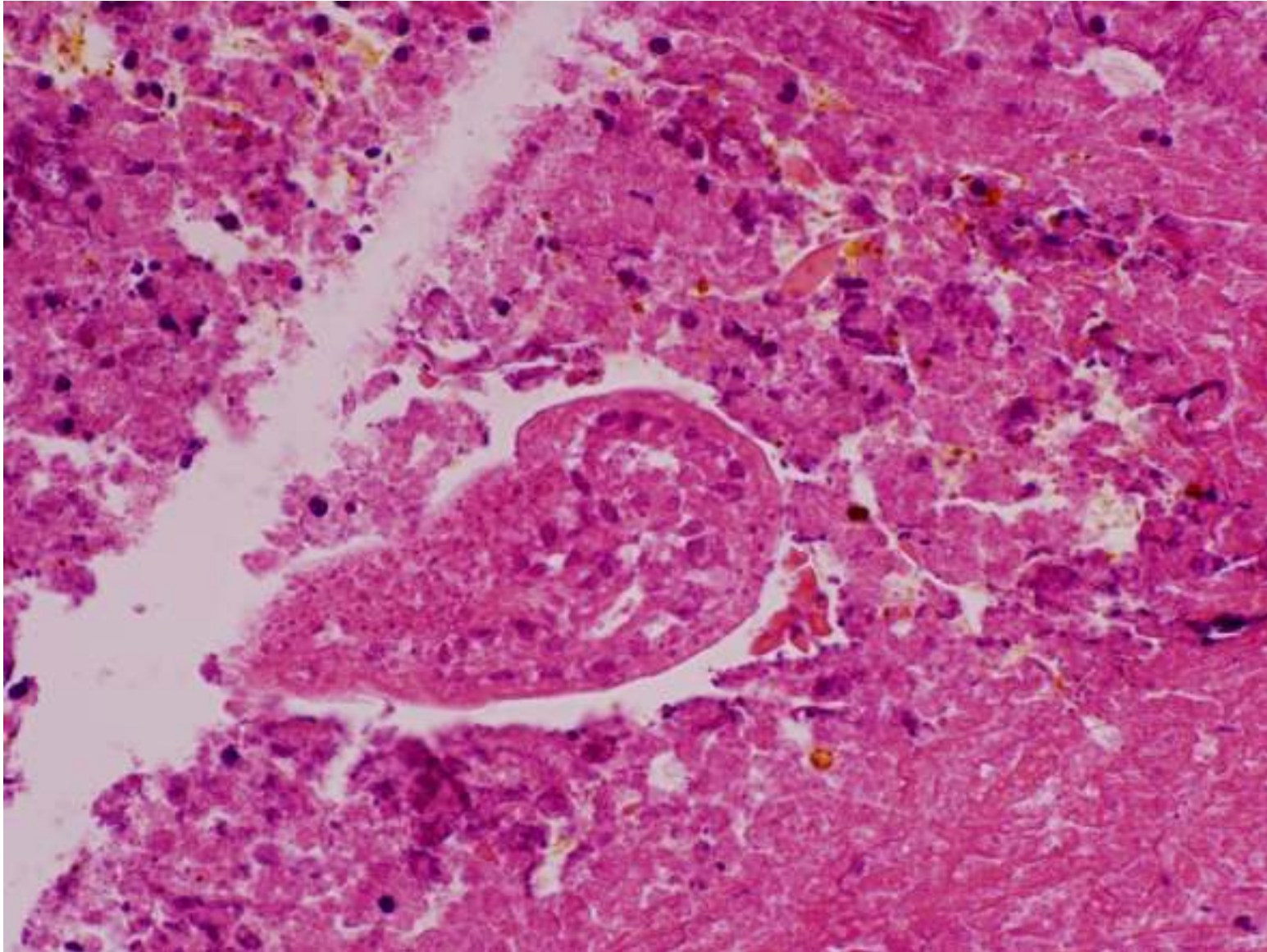
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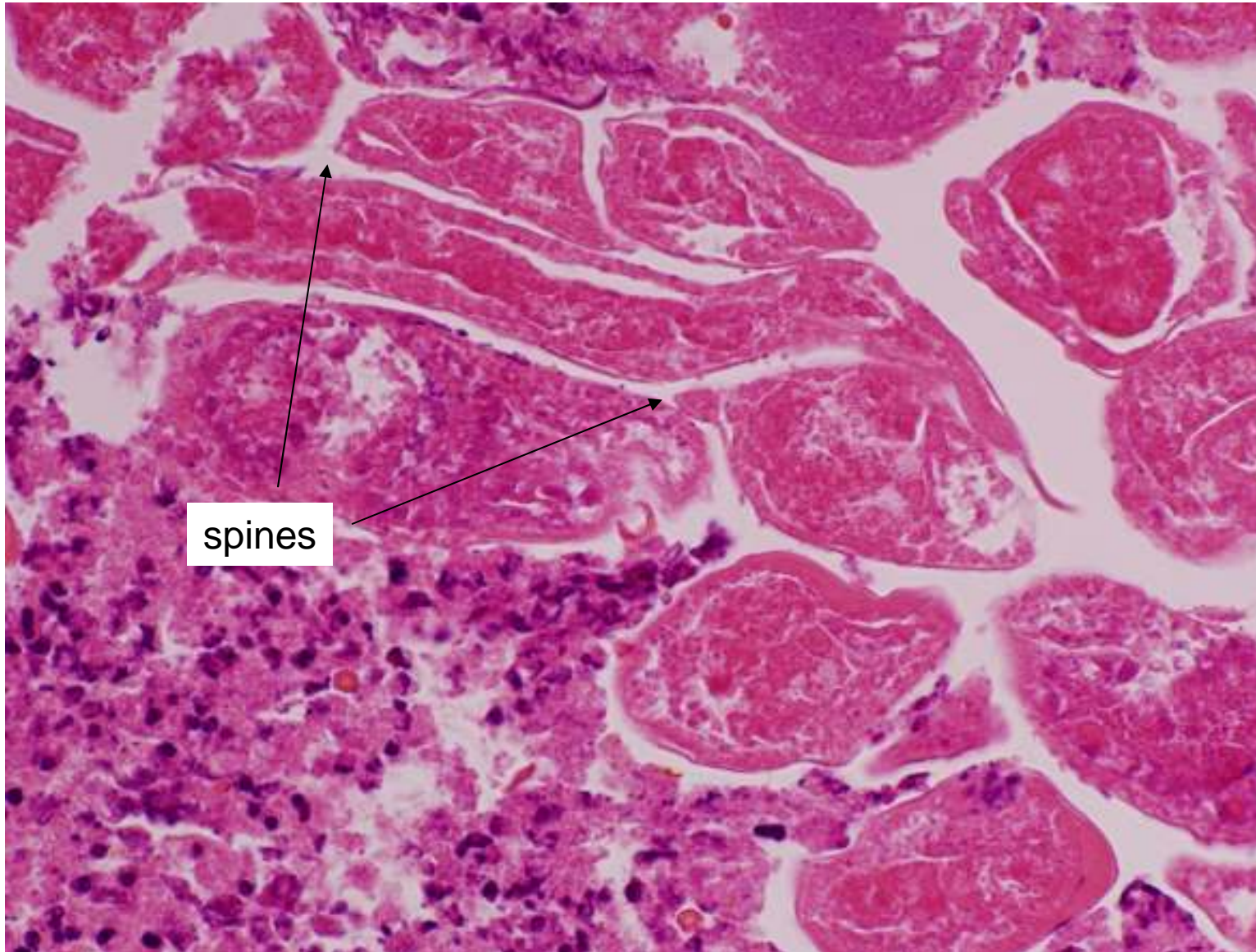
Liver resection – necrotic worm



Liver resection - ?testis

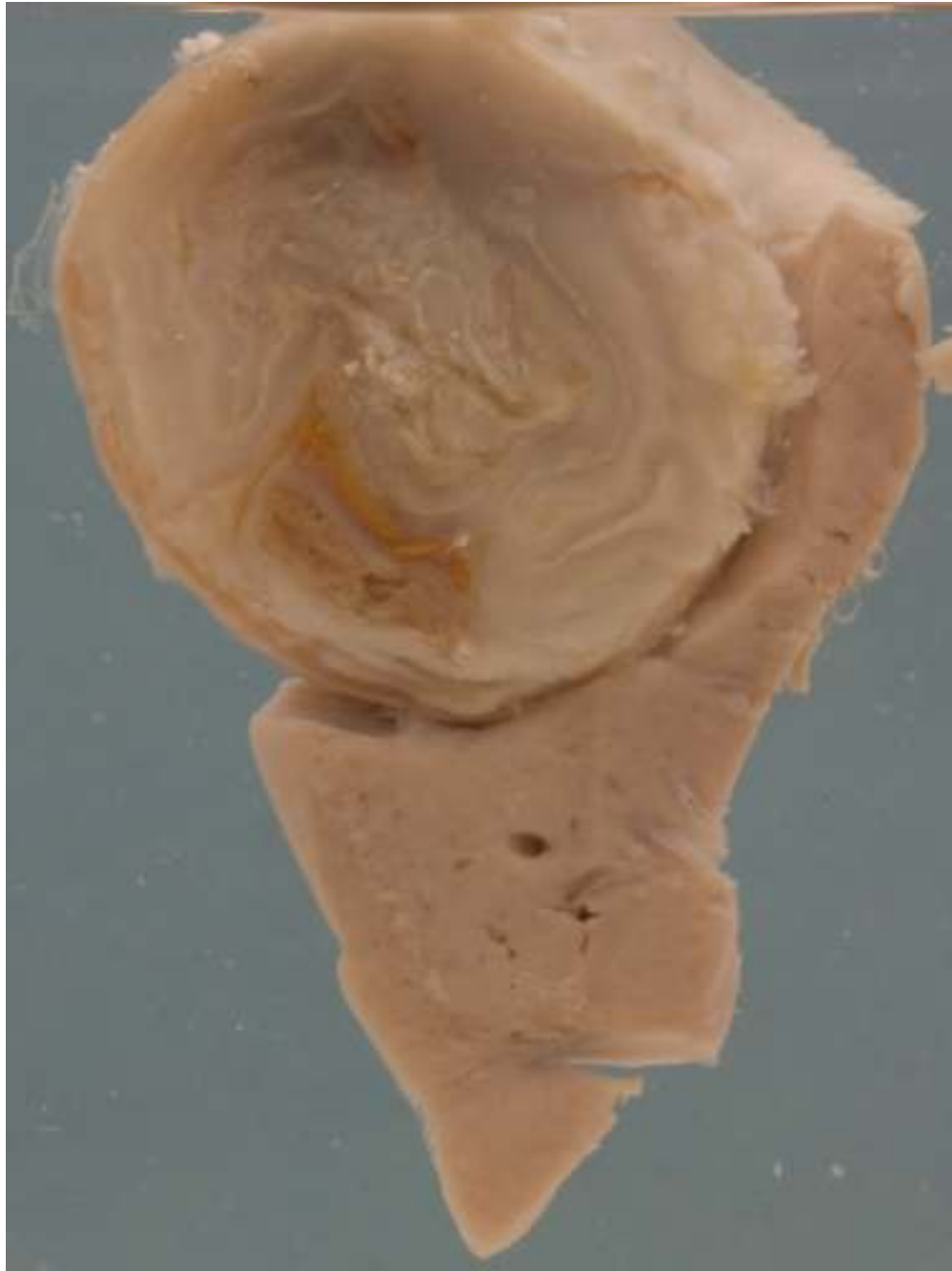


Liver resection

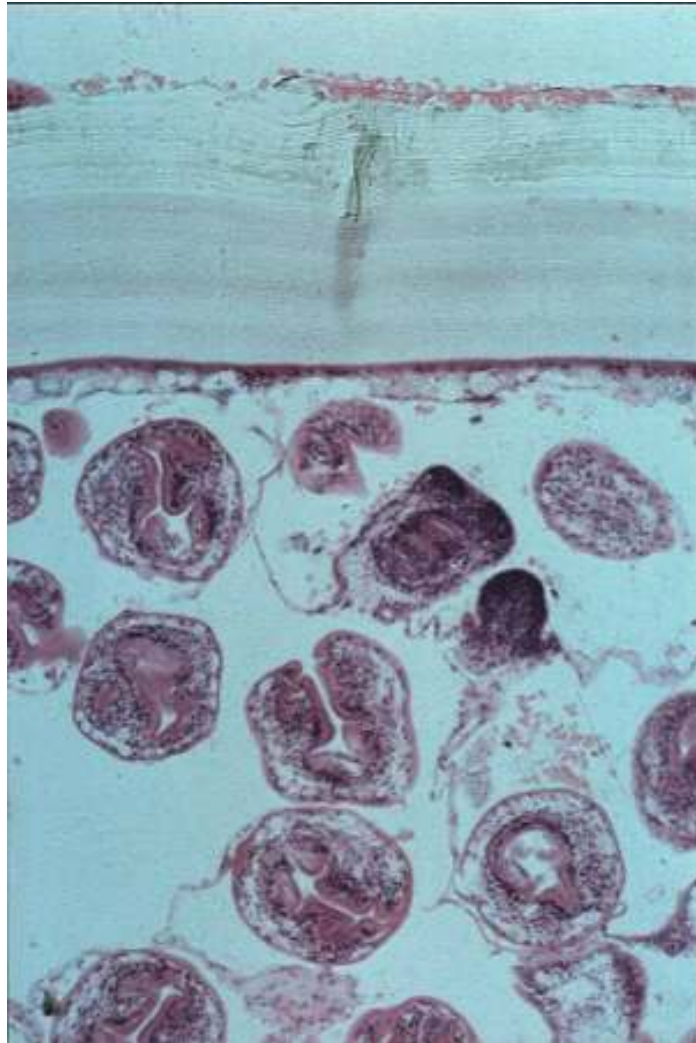
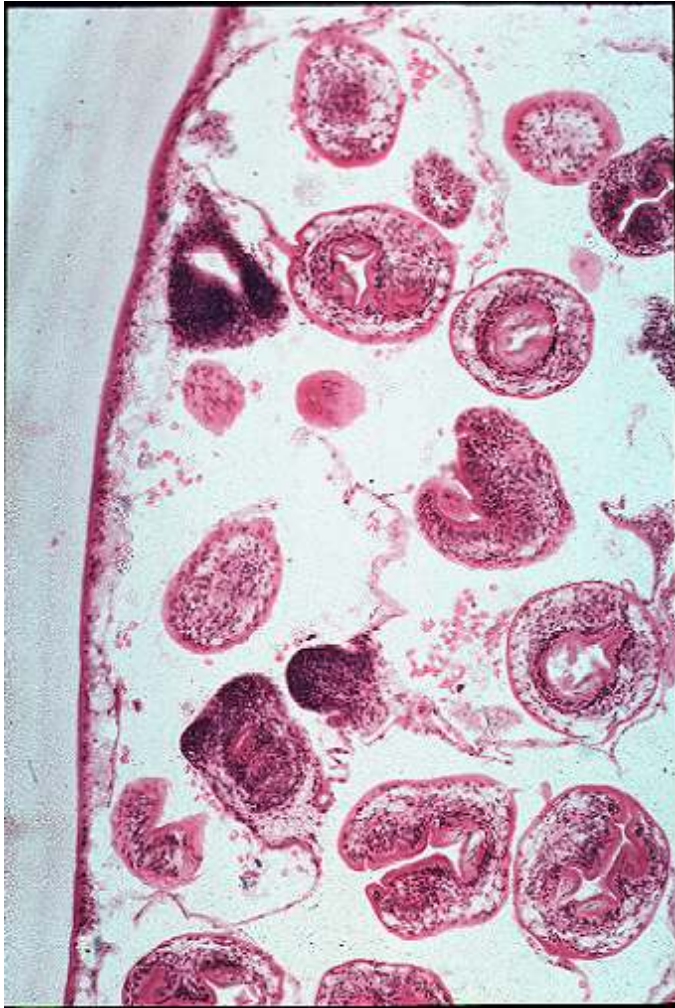


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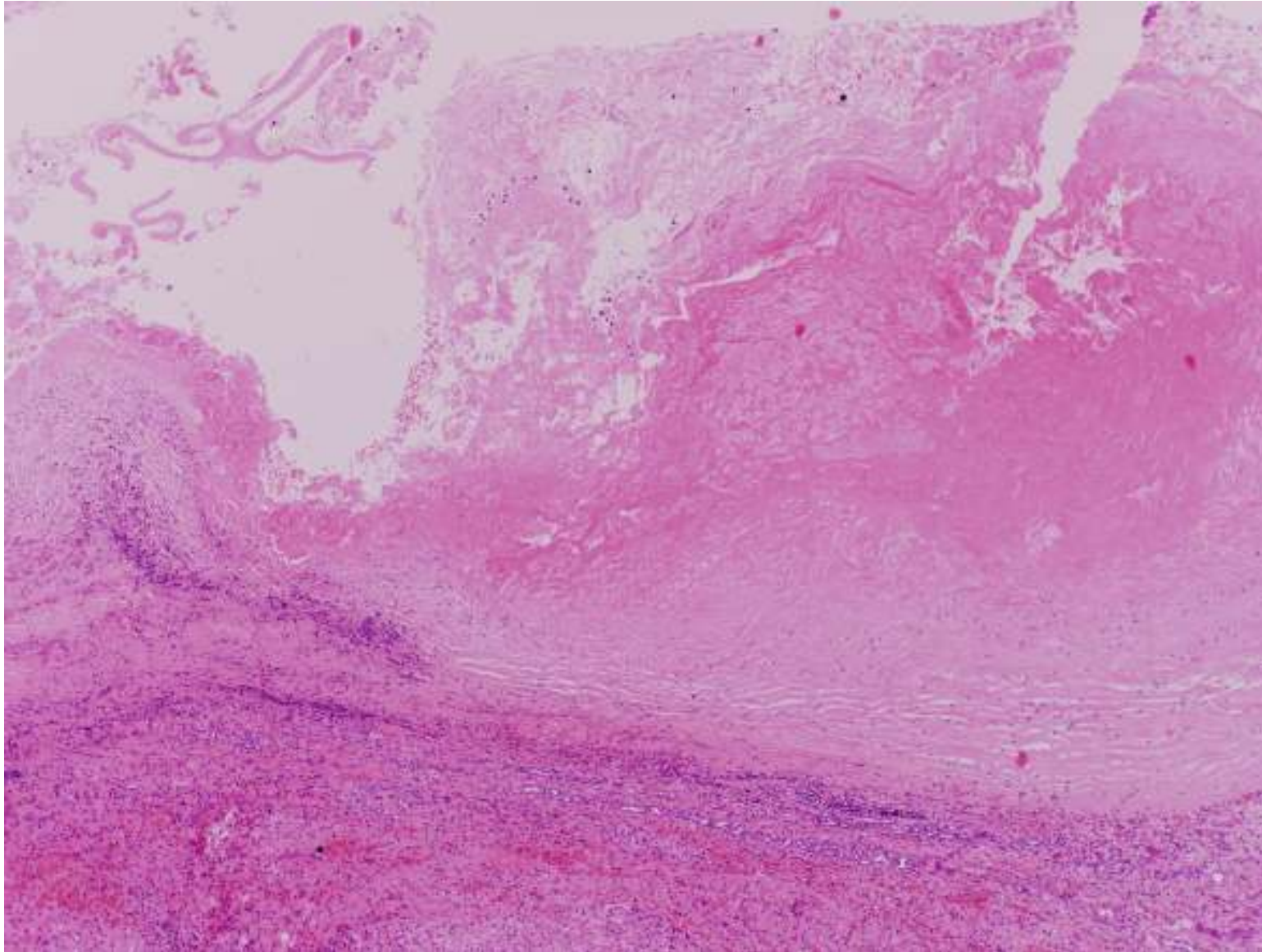
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 - Visceral larva migrans
 - *Fasciola hepatica*
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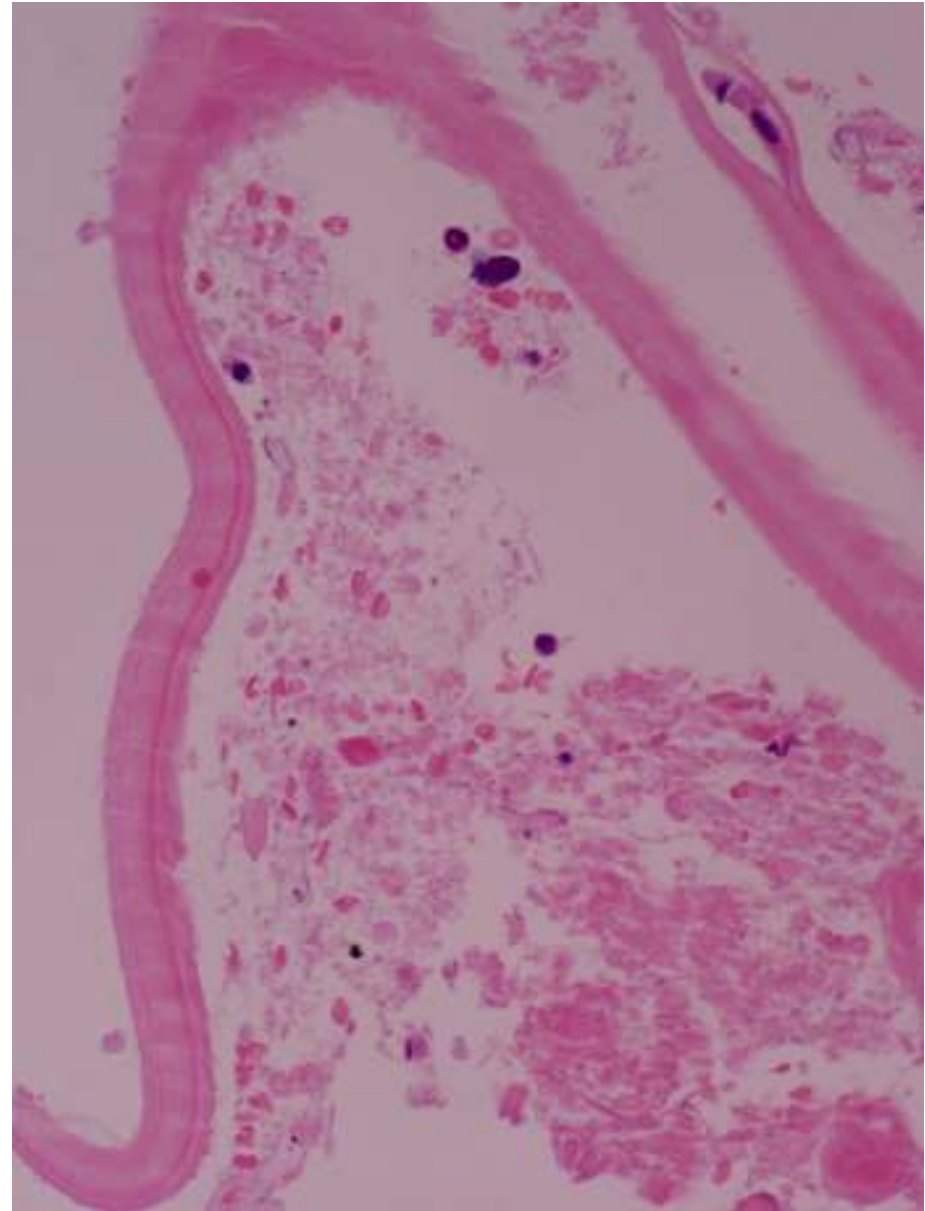
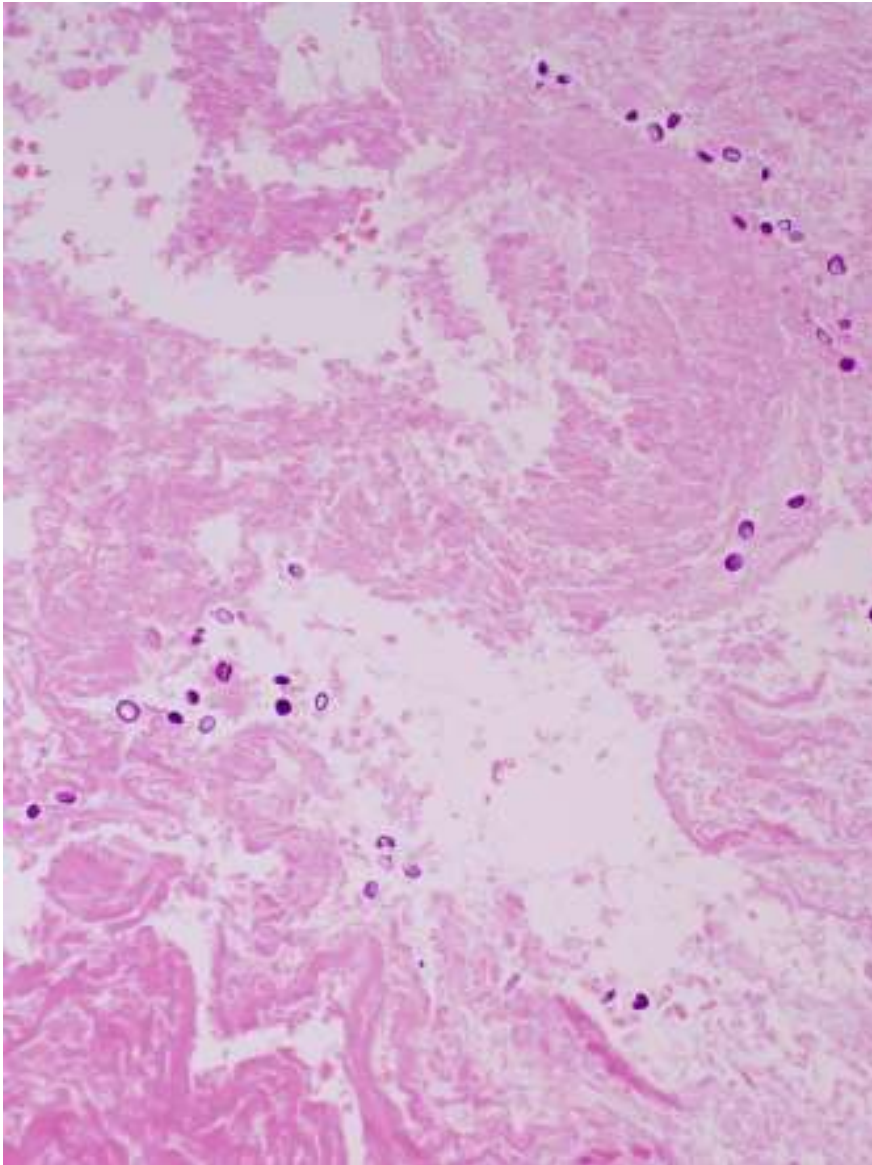
Hydatid cyst



Old hydatid cyst in liver



Calcareous corpuscles & laminated membrane



Observations

- PRESENT
- Worm fragments
 - Not scolices
- ?testis present
- Small cuticle spines

- ABSENT
- Laminated hydatid membrane
- Ova
- Small larvae
- Intestine visible
- Calcareous corpuscles (cestode)

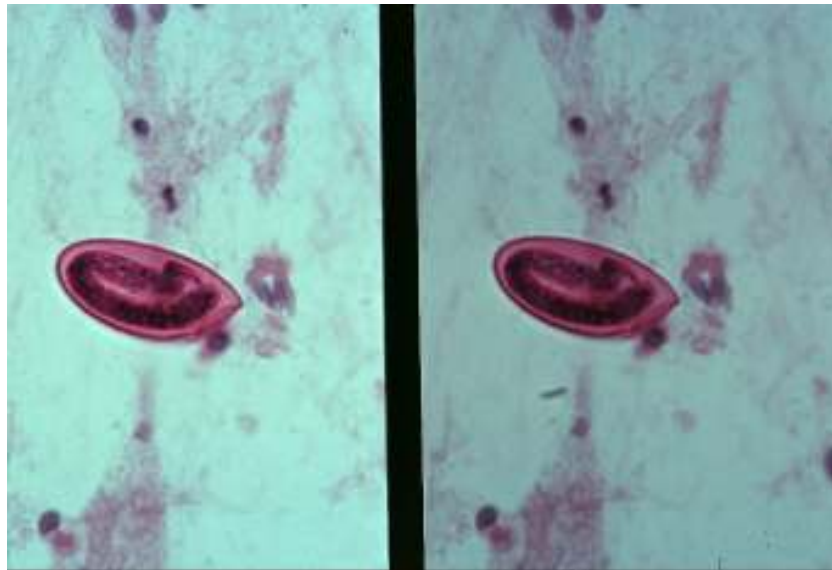
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Enterobius – simulating a liver metastasis

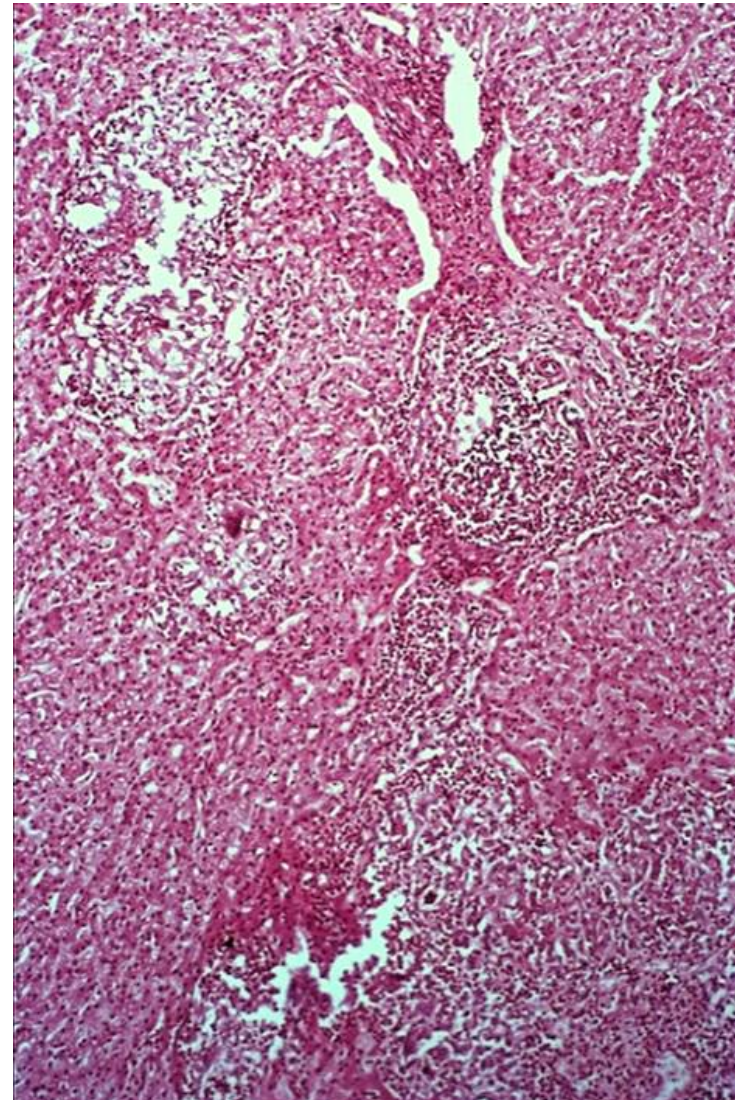
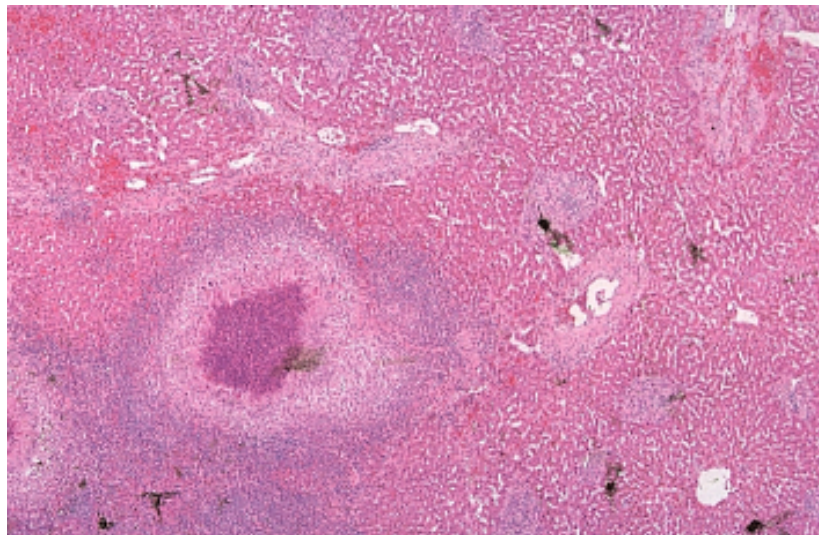
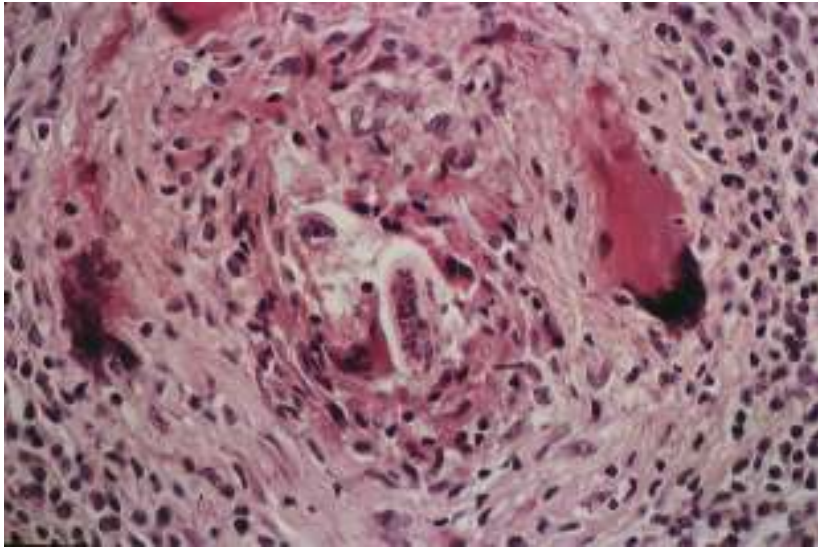


Enterobius vermicularis



Visceral larva migrans

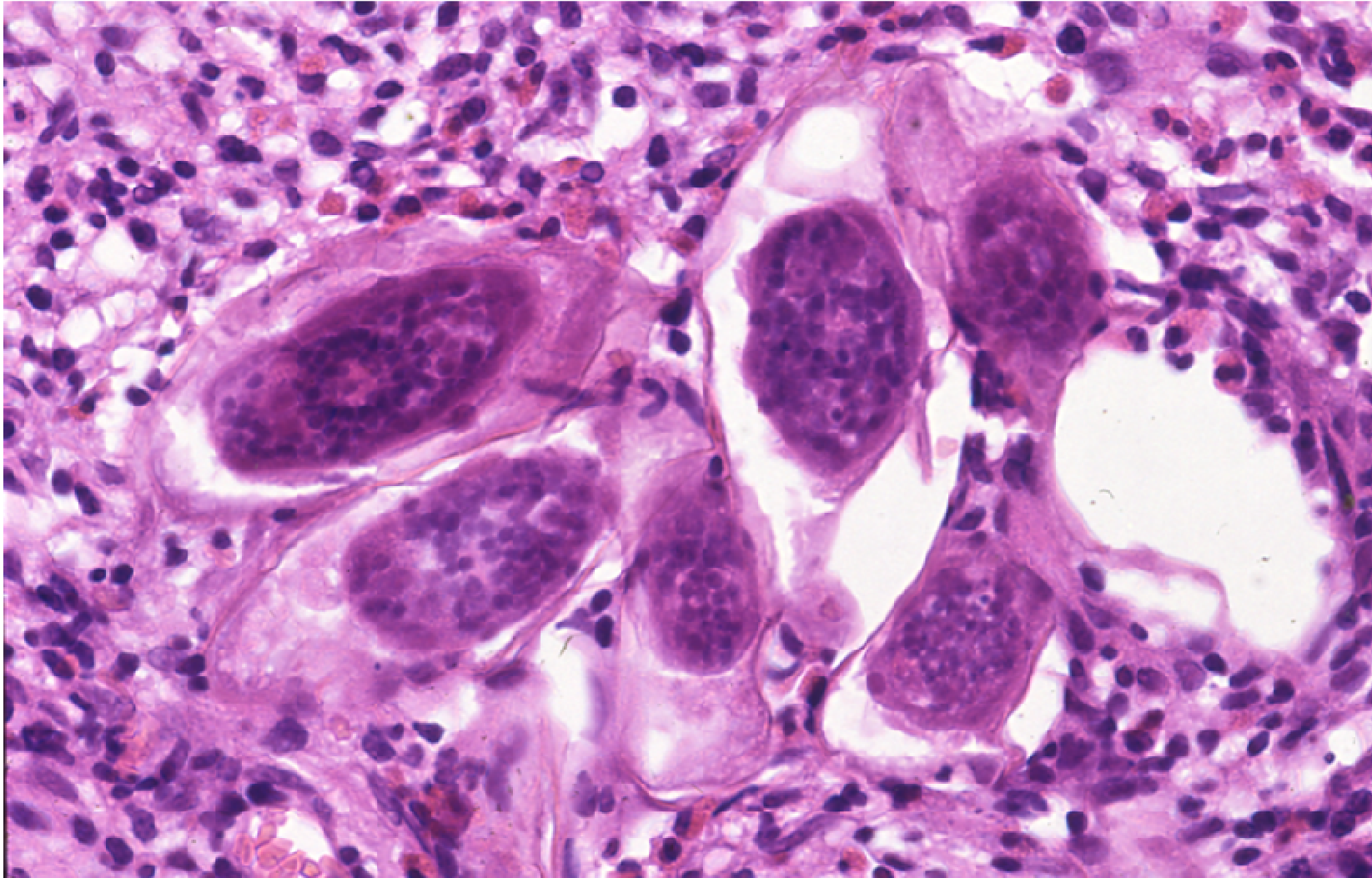
Toxocara canis



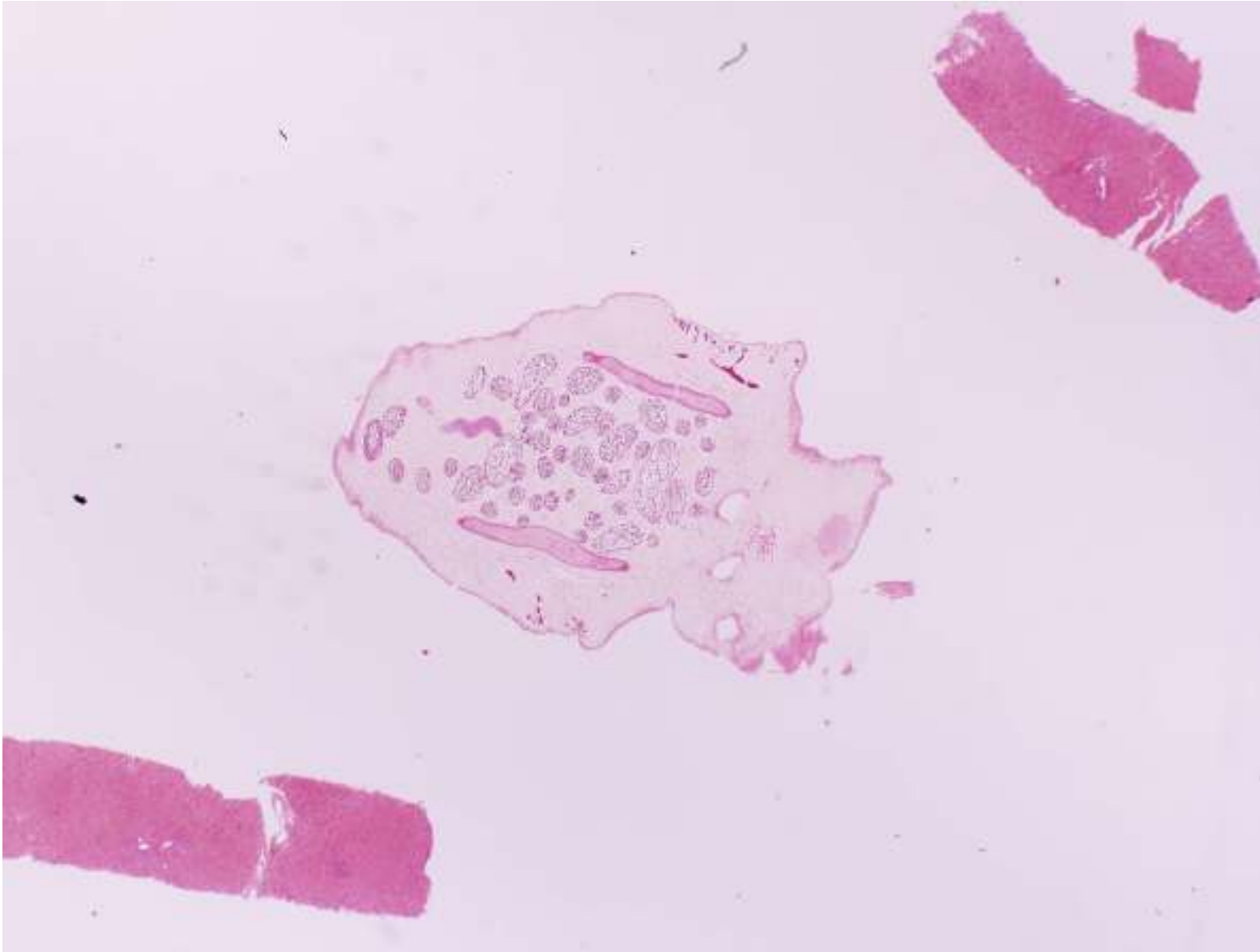
Schistosome pair in a liver biopsy

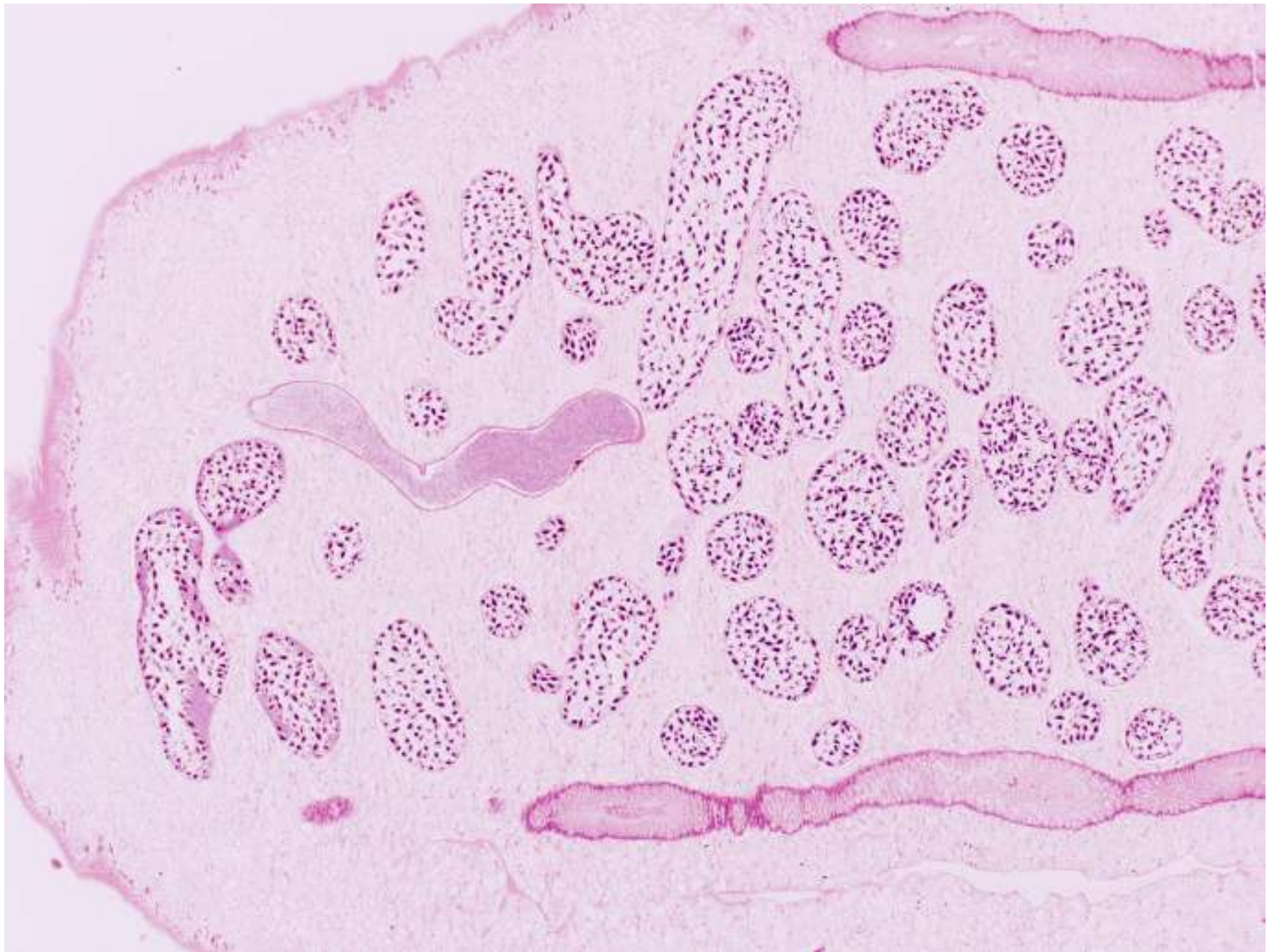


Schistosome eggs



Clonorchis in a liver biopsy

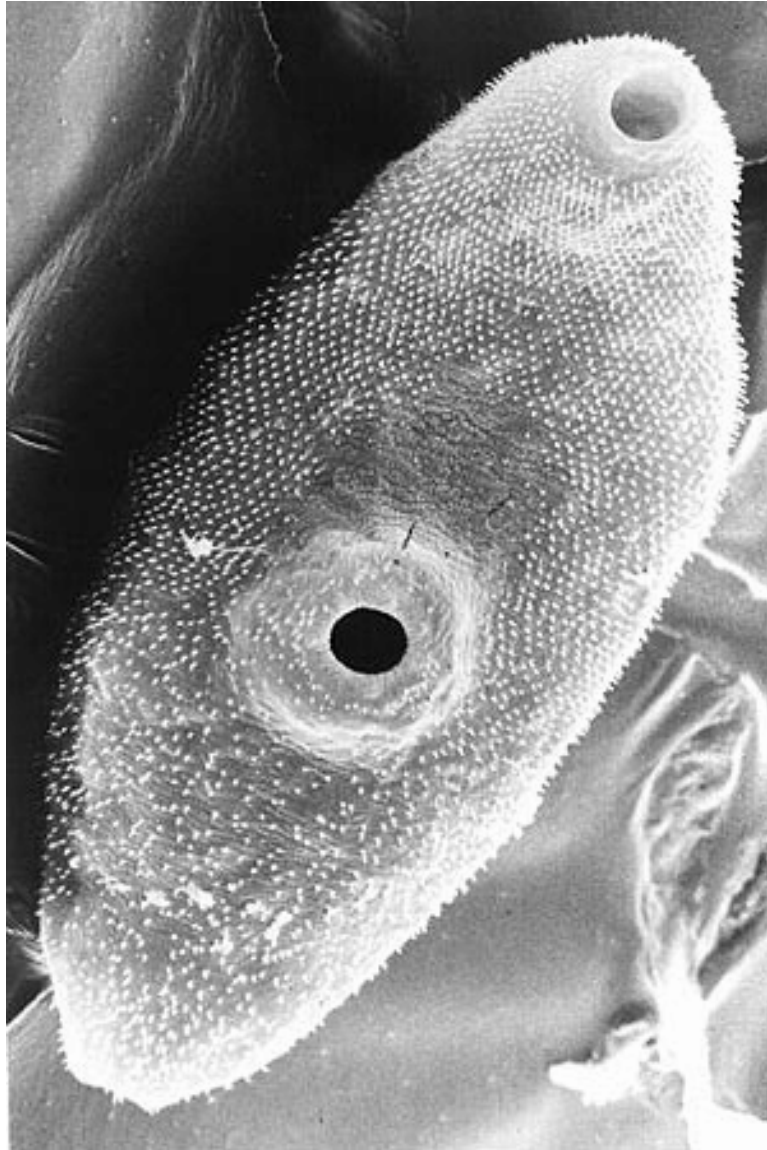




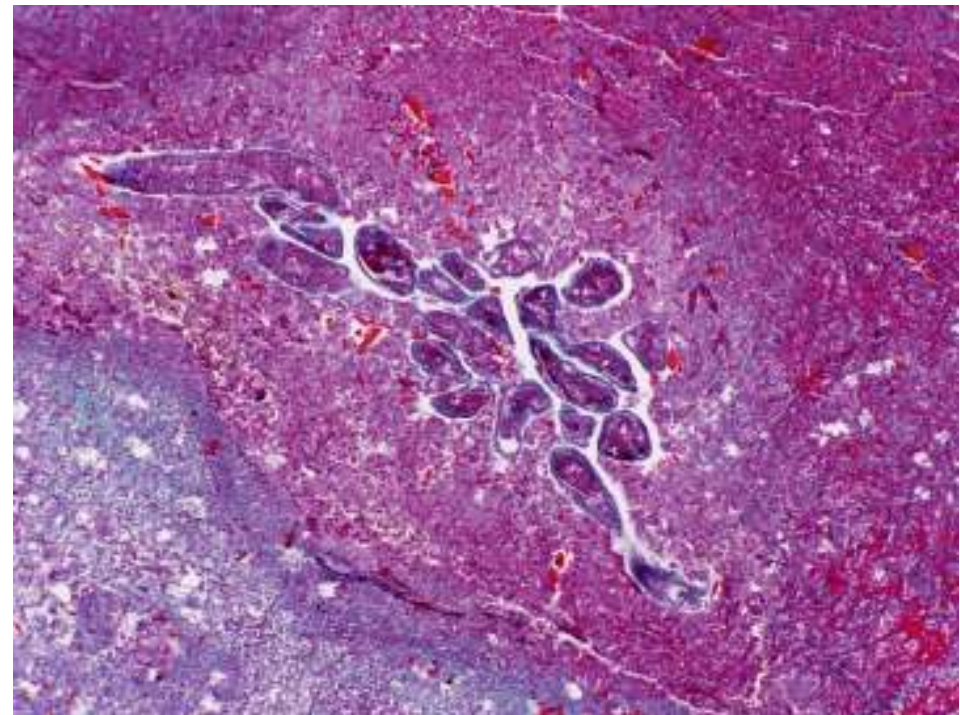
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Fasciola hepatica



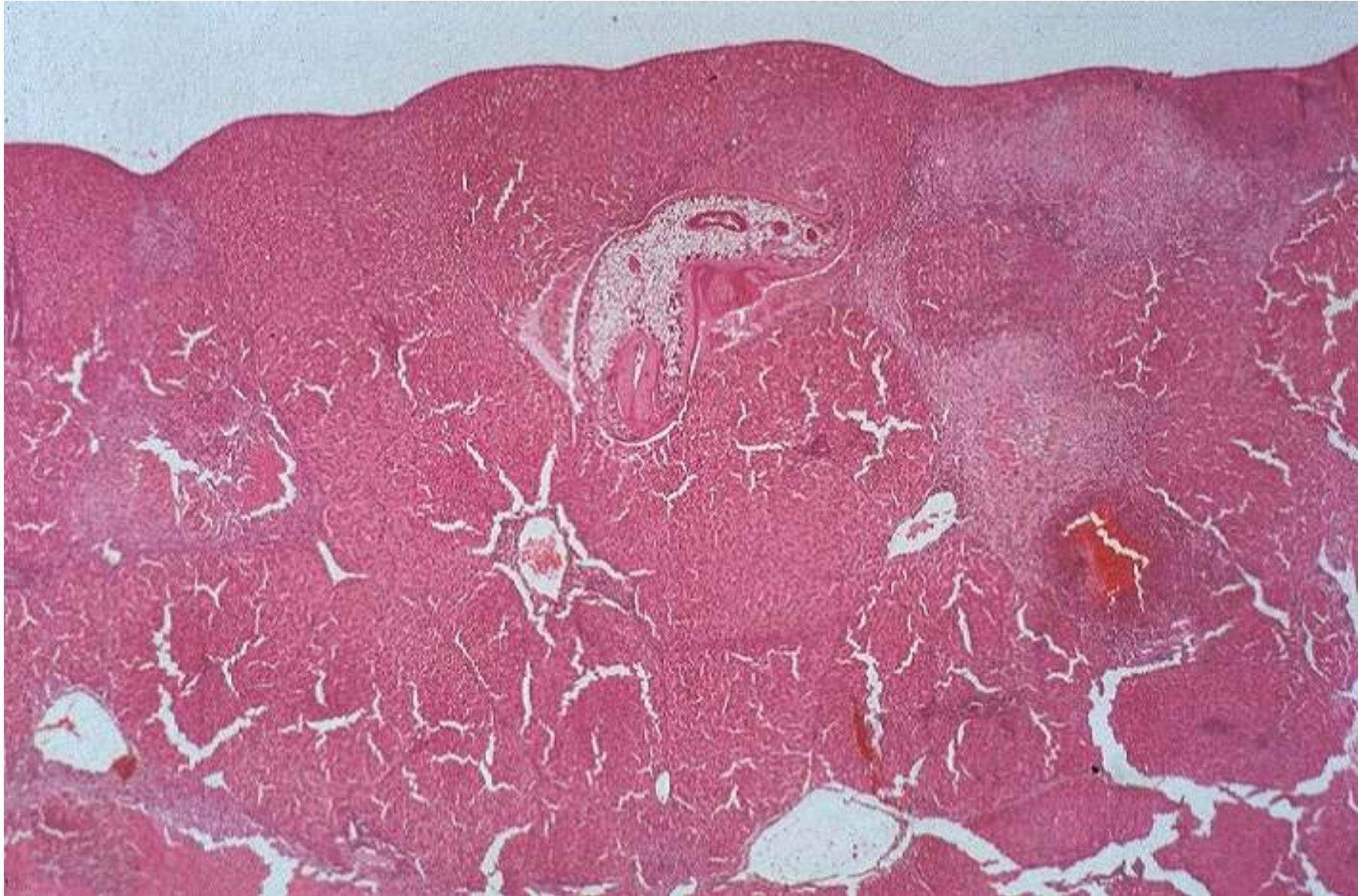
- Patient had never left England



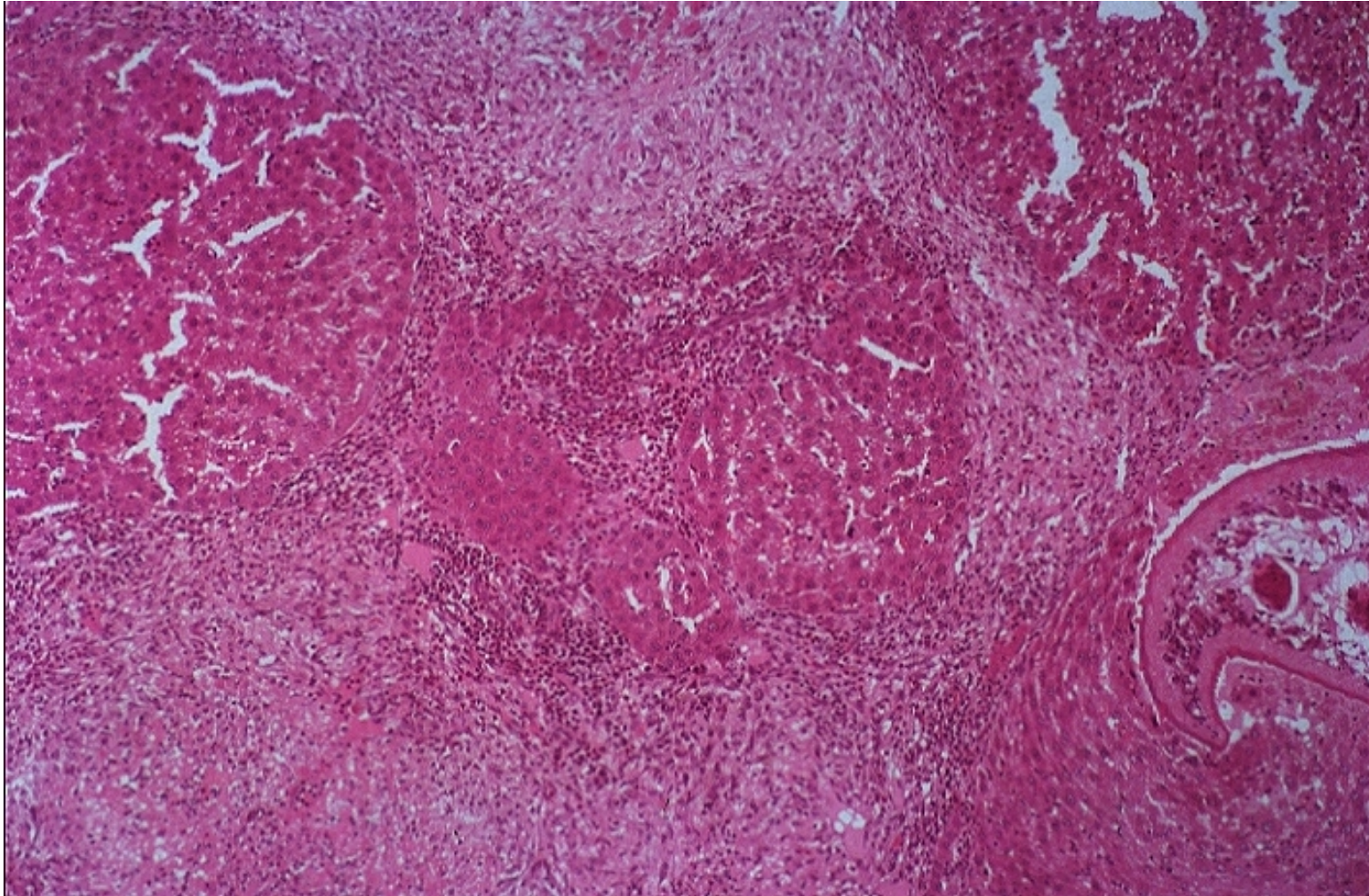
Fasciola hepatica



Fasciola invading liver



Fasciola



Serology

Hydatid –ve

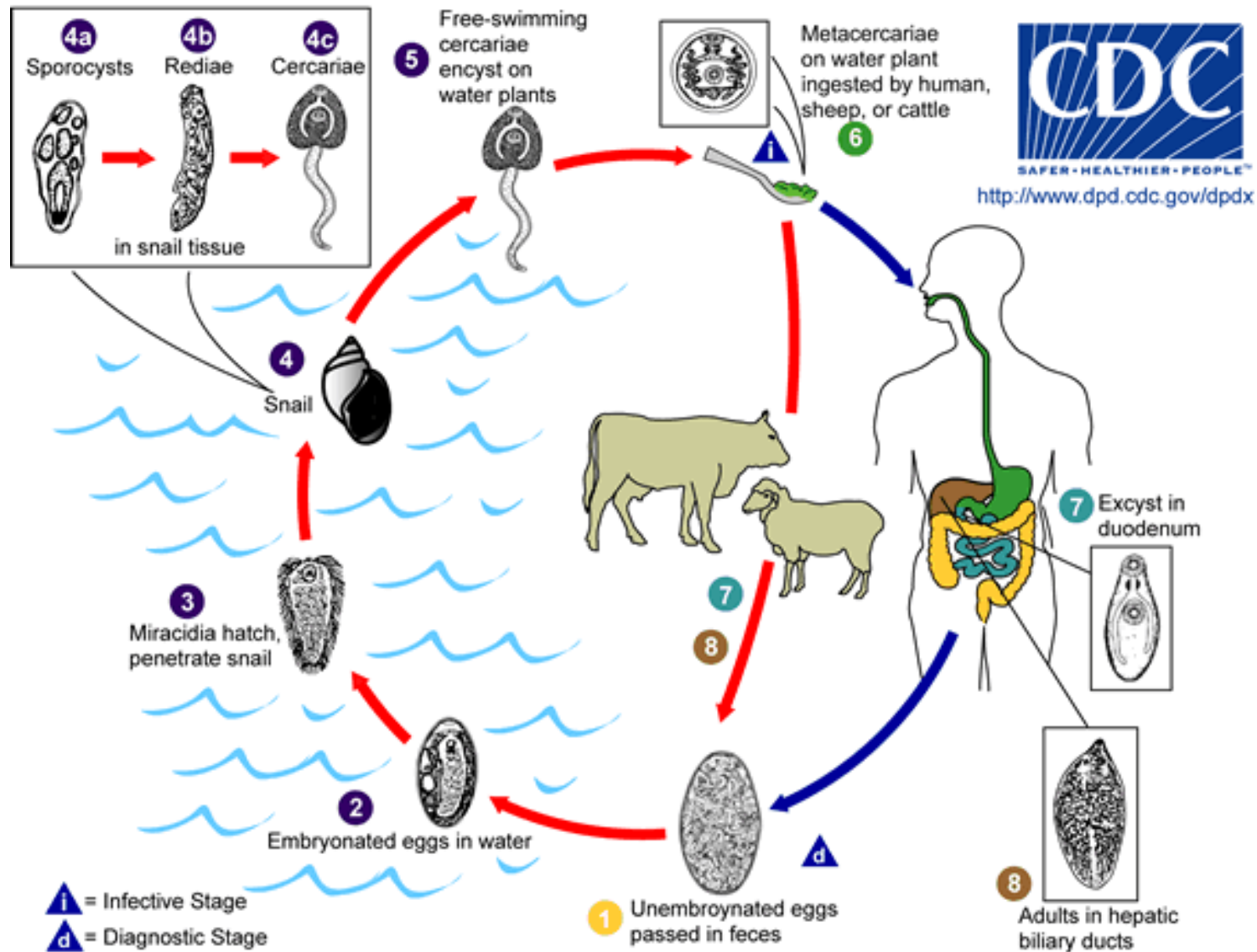
Fasciola –ve

(but may be negative if infection is dead)

Our diagnosis
[Swiss vet pathologist agreed]

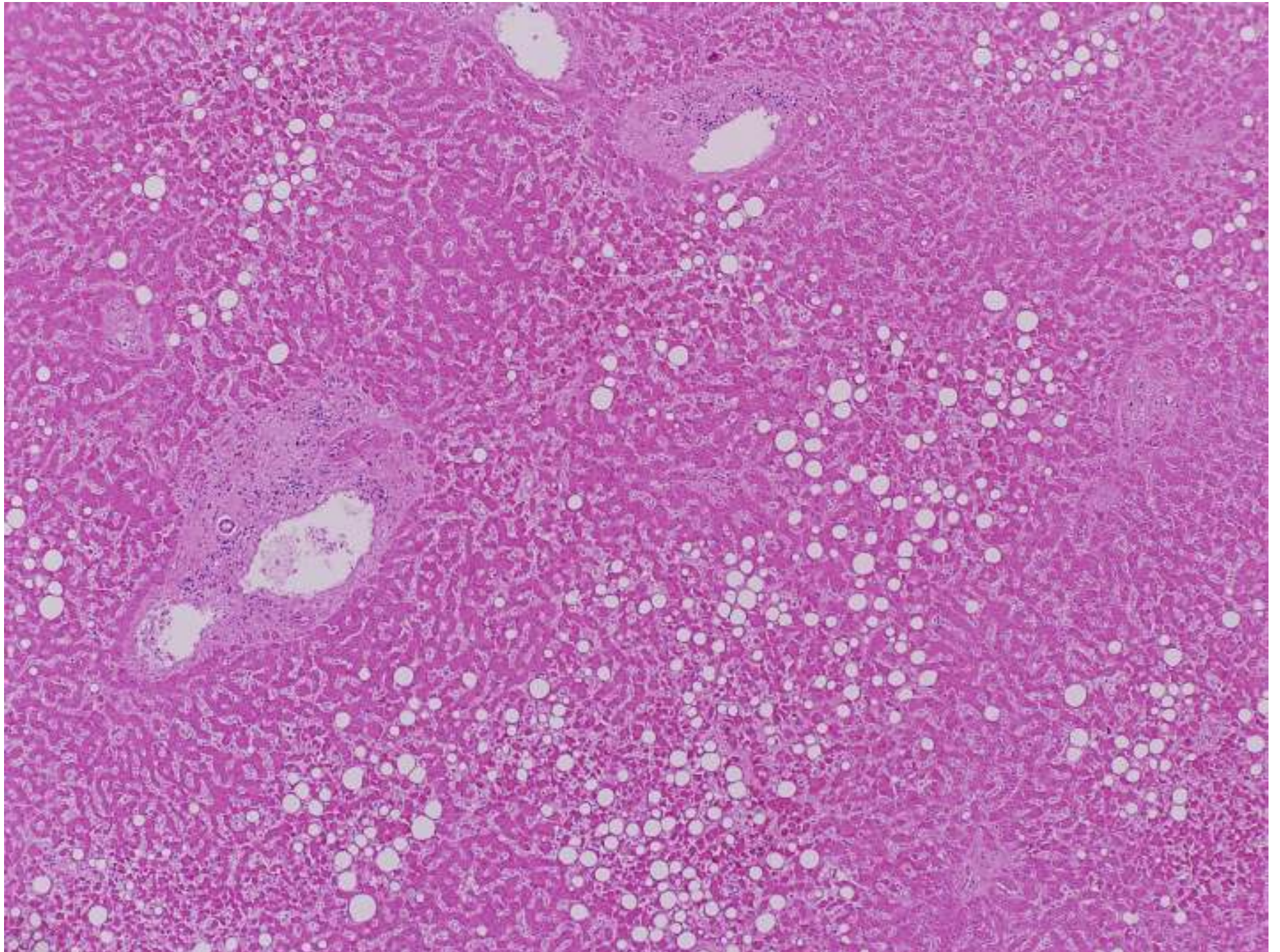
Degenerate *Fasciola hepatica* worm

Life cycle of *Fasciola hepatica*



Case 3

Dangers of exotic holidays



Case 3

- Male 59 years
- British caucasian
- No previous travel history

- Jamaica 2-week holiday
- In second week, felt unwell
- One week after return, very ill

Case 3

- On admission
- Renal failure
- Liver failure
 - Bilirubin up to 448
- Diagnosis: **septic shock**
- Much serology, blood culture (all -ve)

Case 3

- Intensive Care
- Support for lungs, liver and kidney
- Antibiotics

- WBC rose to 25,000
- Diagnosis: ?chronic myelomonocytic leukaemia

Case 3

- Died one week after admission
- = 3 weeks after starting illness

- Tests results available
 - HIV, HAV, HBV, HCV – negative
- Awaited
 - dengue, **yellow fever**, CMV, EBV

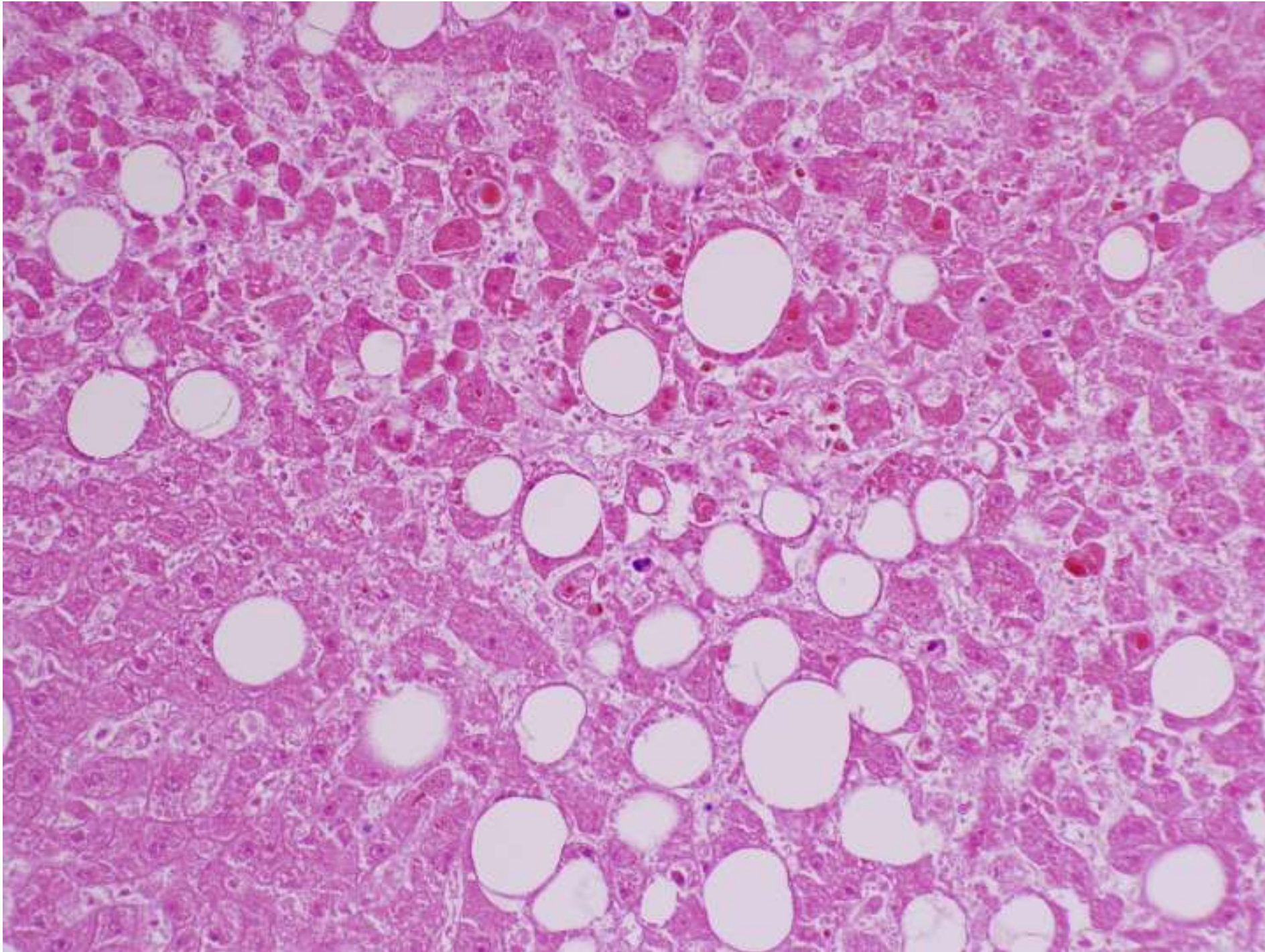
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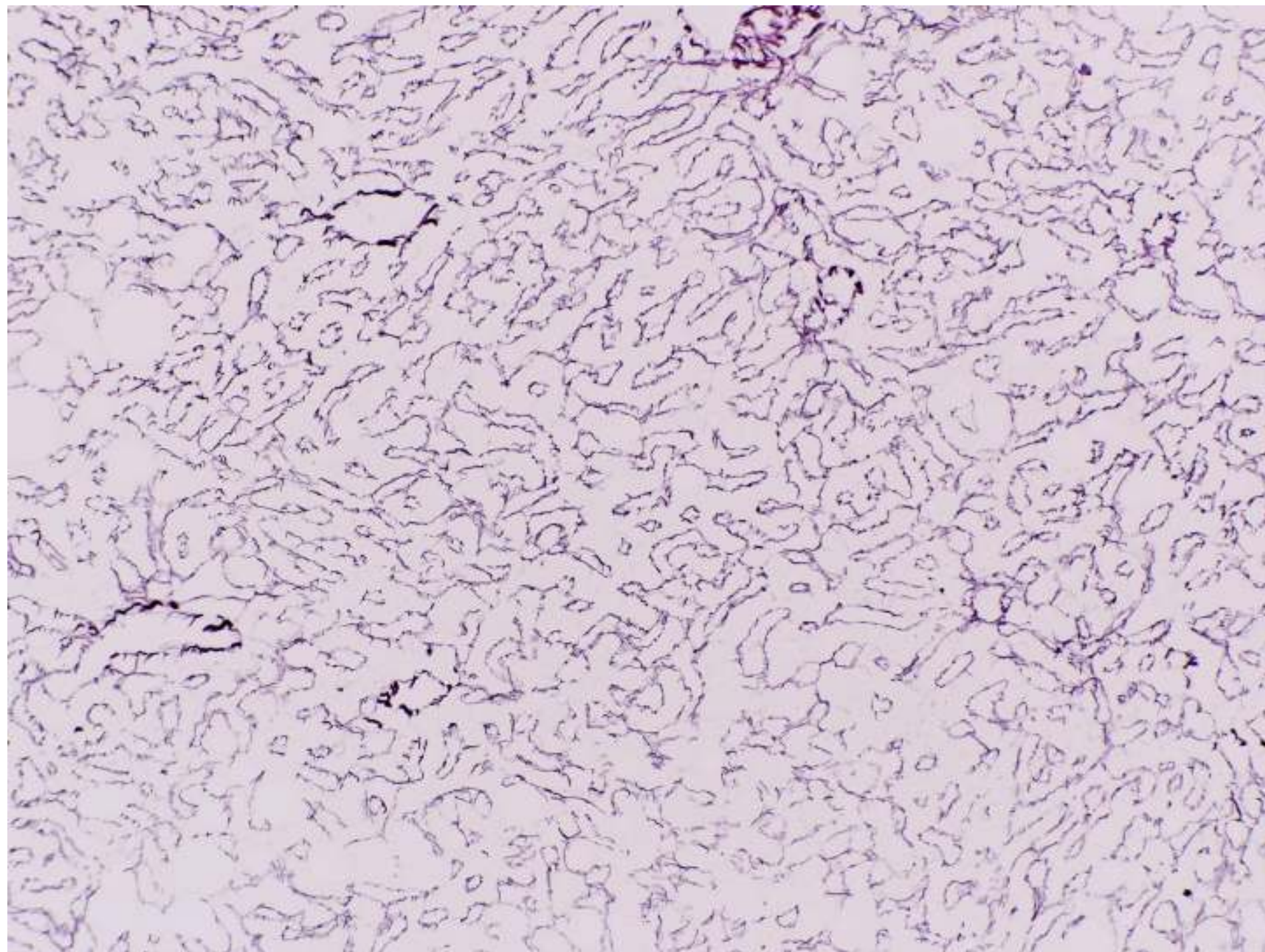
- Autopsy 5 days after death
 - Ht 198cm, Wt 94kg
- Jaundice & oedema
- Petechiae around skin punctures

- Lungs – solid and red – ARDS
- Kidneys: 245 & 310gm – enlarged, soft, yellow, petechiae++
- Spleen 430gm - soft

Case 3

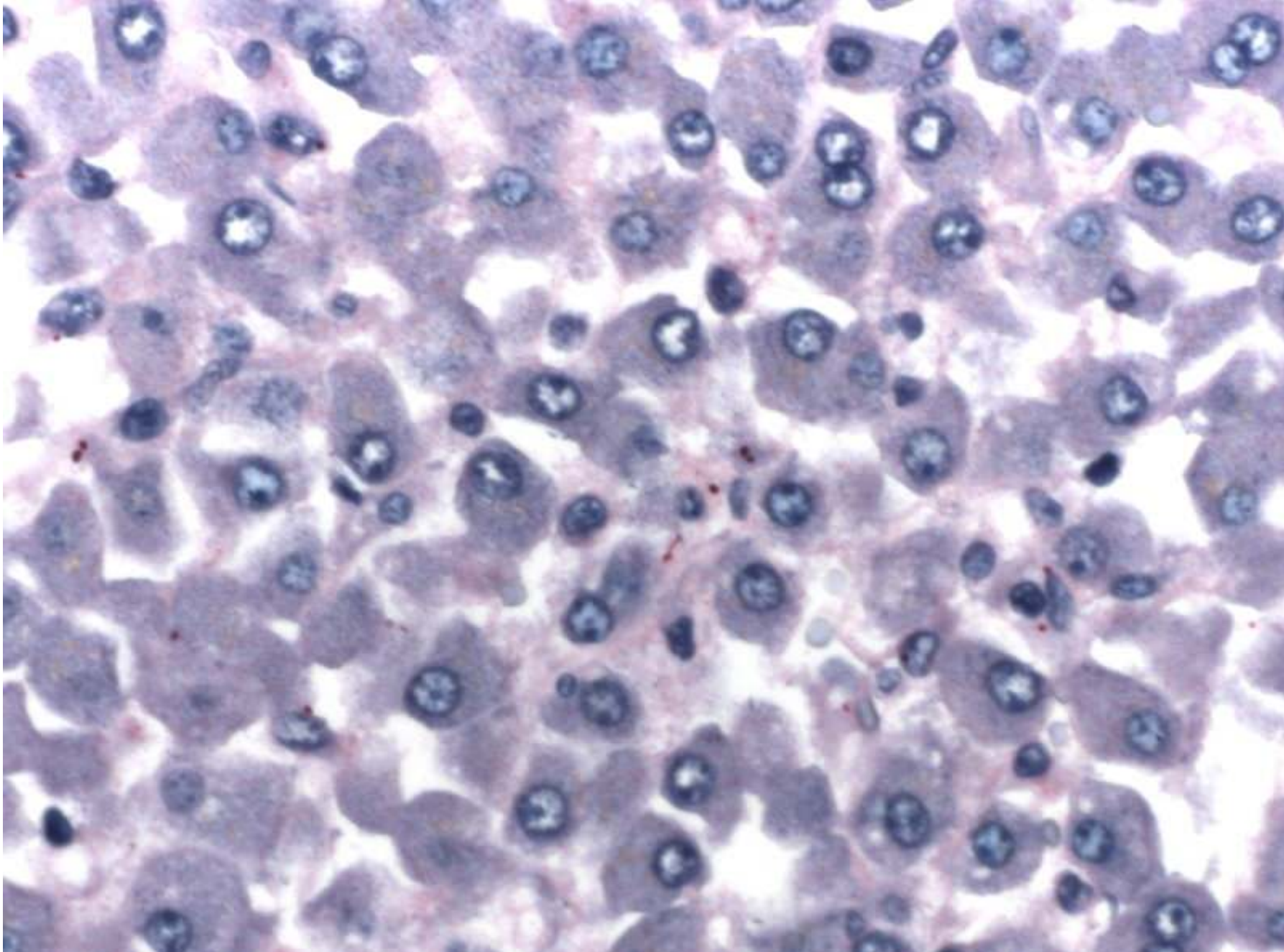
- Liver 1840gm
- Soft, yellow, not cirrhotic, no haemorrhages, no focal lesions, possibly collapsing
- Bile duct & gall bladder - normal





Case 3

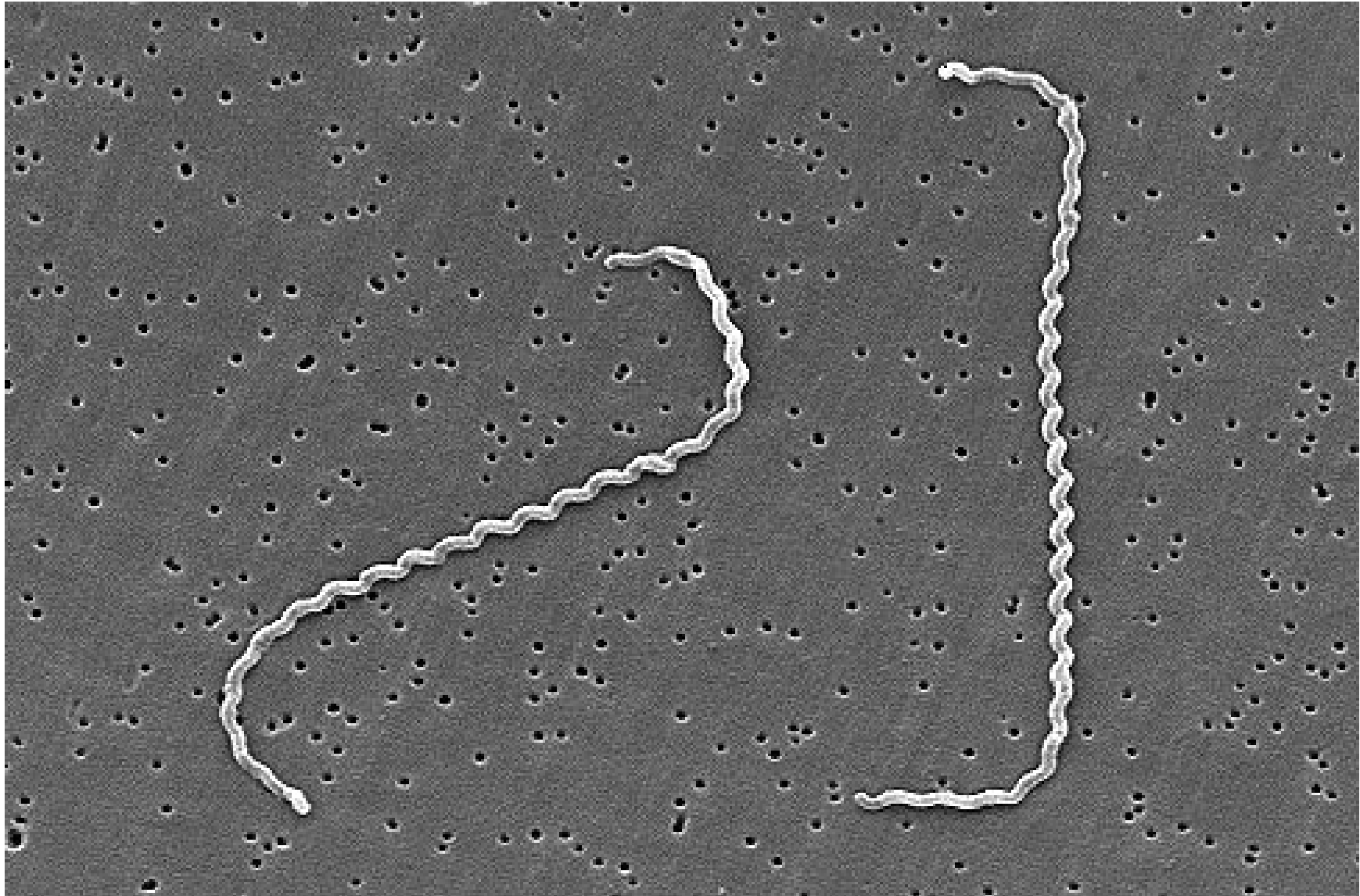
- Autopsy liver tissue and pre-mortem blood
- *Leptospira interrogans* DNA
 - (Micropathology Lab, Coventry, UK)
- IHC for *Leptospira* spp
 - Dr Sherif Zaki, CDC, Atlanta, USA



Leptospira taxonomy:
determined by DNA reassociation
13 named species

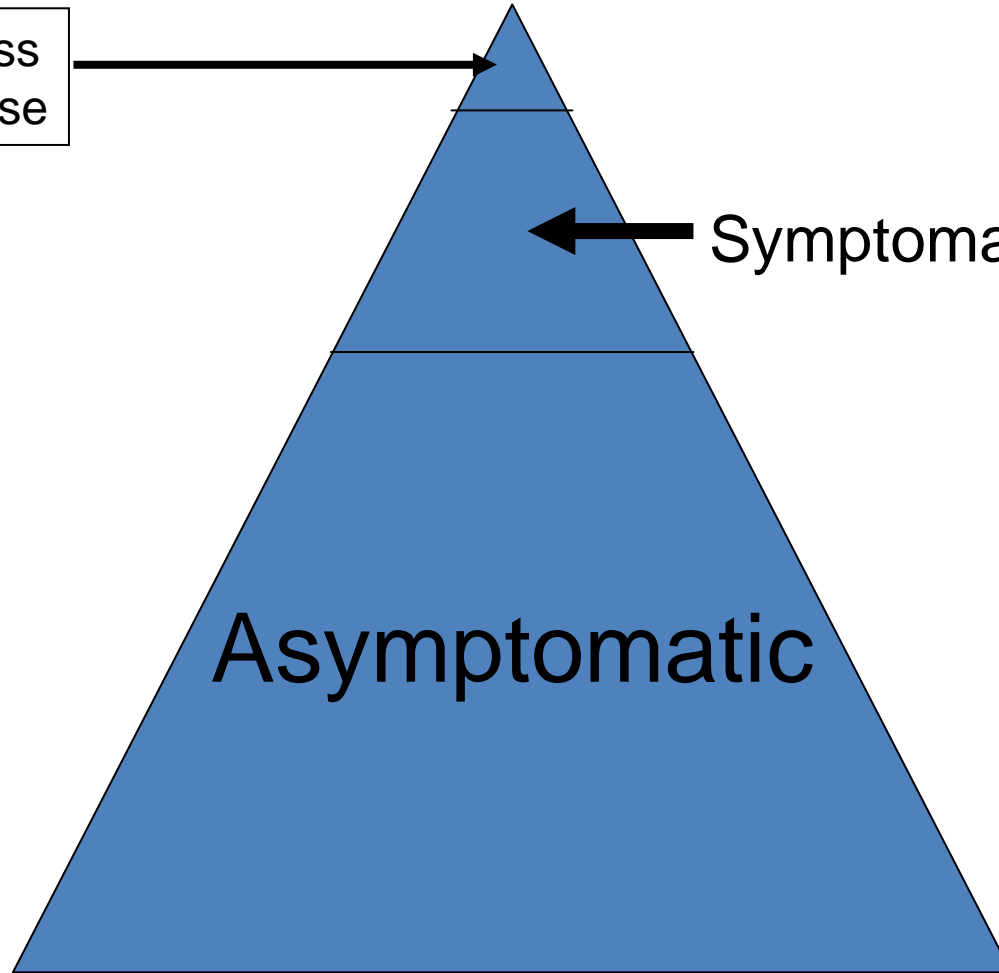
Species	Selected serovars
<i>L.interrogans</i>	Icterohaemorrhagiae , Copenhageni, Australis, Caniola, etc
<i>L.noguchi</i>	Panama, Pomona
<i>L.borgpetersenii</i>	Ballum, Hardjo, Javanica
<i>L.germospecies 1</i>	Sichuan
<i>L.germospecies 2-4</i>	Non-pathogens
<i>L.biflexa</i>	Non-pathogens

Leptospira scanning EM



Tip of the iceberg

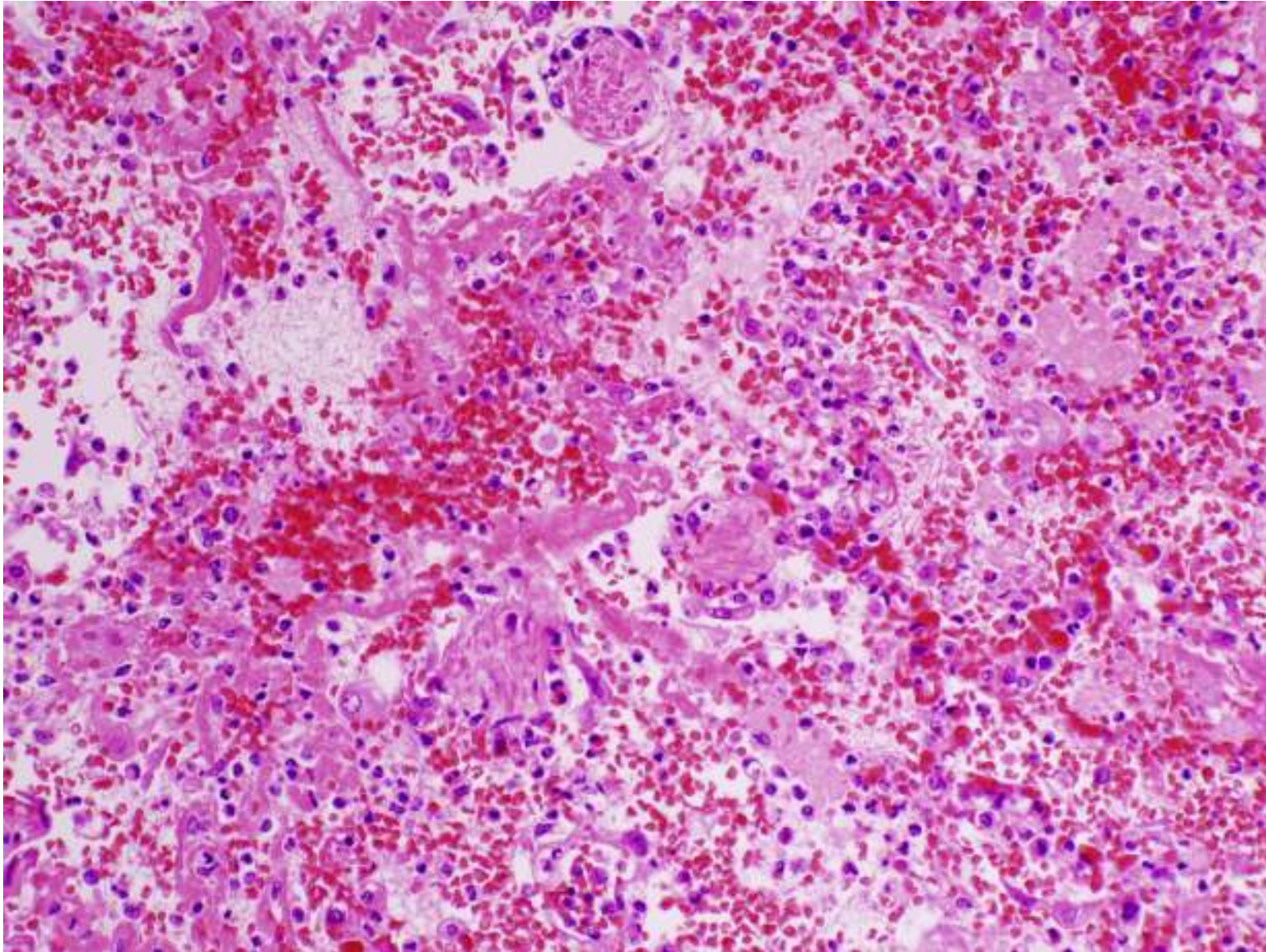
Severe illness
Weil's disease



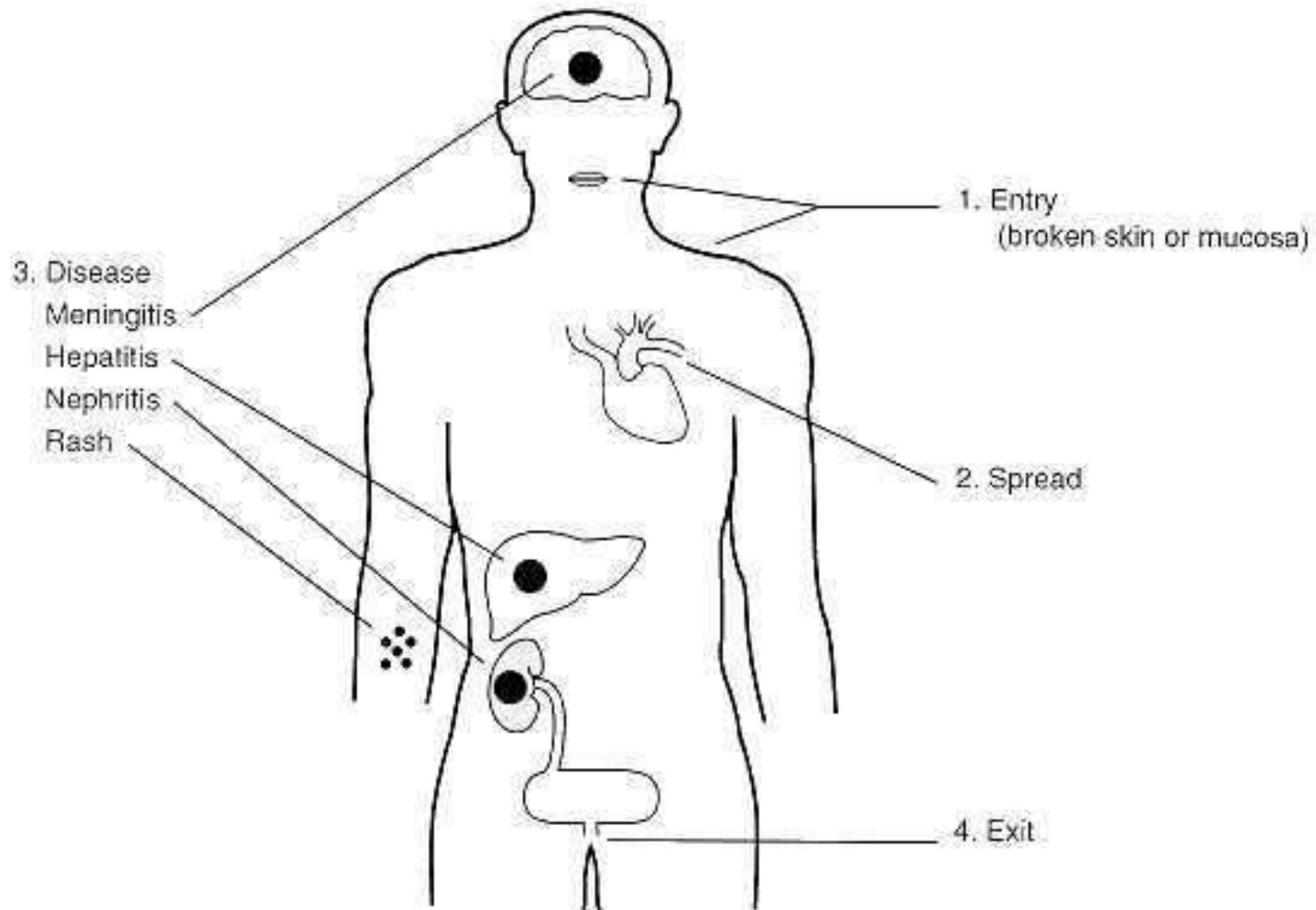
Symptomatic infection

Asymptomatic

Case 3 Lung - ALI



Manifestation of leptospirosis



Summary

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 - *'Unde venis?'*
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 - Acquired
 - Iatrogenic
- Increasing reliance on molecular diagnostics
- Close collaboration with microbiologists and ID clinicians