EQA Circulation 43 Educational Cases



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- 38 yrs male
- Submandibular gland tumour

- Formal excision following diagnosis of poorly differentiated carcinoma on core biopsy
- 20 mm tumour
- Grey/white cut surface



















Responses

Diagnoses and D/D

- Salivary duct ca 74
- Mucoepidermoid ca 10
- Oncocytic ca 6
- Squamous cell ca with cancerisation of salivary ducts 2
- Malignant Warthin's tumour 1
- Epithelial myoepithelial ca 1
- Micropapillary ca with squamous differentiation ?thyroid metastasis to lymph node 1
- Mammary analogue secretary ca 2
- Lymphoepithelial ca 5
- Papillary adenoca 1
- Necrotizing sialometaplasia with marked atypia 1

Diagnosis

- Uncommon salivary gland malignant tumour (about 9%)
- Frequently seen in elderly population
- Commonly in 6th and 7th decades
- More common in males (M:F 3-6:1)
- Majority in parotid gland, some occur in submandibular gland and rarely in minor salivary gland
- Rarely reported in longstanding chronic obstructive sialadenitis

- One of the most aggressive salivary gland malignant tumour
- Local recurrence 33%; distant metastasis 46%
- Metastasis lymph nodes, distant
- Frequent sites of distant metastasis lung, bone, brain, liver, skin
- 65% patients die of disease usually within 4 years of diagnosis

- Usually poorly circumscribed, tan coloured and usually solid
- Morphology resembles ductal carcinoma of breast
- Intraduct like and invasive components

Intraduct like component Cribriform, papillary, solid with frequent comedo

necrosis

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Infiltrative component

- Cribriform, solid, cords, glands
- Apocrine appearance abundant pink cytoplasm, pleomorphic epithelioid cells, coarse chromatin and prominent nucleoli
- Squamous differentiation can be seen
- Stroma is fibrous/desmoplastic
 Vascular invasion, perineural invasion commonly seen







Variants:

Micropapillary, papillary, mucin rich, spindle cells



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Positivity-

- Low and high molecular wt cytokeratins
- CEA, EMA
- Androgen receptors strong nuclear
- GCDFP-15
- Her2 commonly positive
- PSA, PAP variable

Negative-

- S100
- Myoepithelial markers
- ER, PR

D/D

- Metastatic breast ca
- High grade mucoepidermoid carcinoma
- Oncocytic carcinoma
- Cystadenocarcinoma
- Intraductal carcinoma/Low grade cribriform cystadencarcinoma (LGCCC)



- 68 year old female
- WLE right breast

- Papillary lesion seen on core biopsy
- WLE showed a 22 mm nodular haemorrhagic lesion















Responses

- Encysted papillary ca 65
- Solid papillary ca 10
- Papillary ca 7
- Apocrine ca 1
- Cribriform ca 12
- Breast ca with neuroendocrine features 1
- Adenoca/ca 2
- Invasive ductal ca 1
- Intraductal papilloma/papilloma with atypical features -2
- DCIS with microinvasion 1
- No response 2

Diagnosis

• Encysted papillary carcinoma

Papillary tumours of breast WHO 4th edition

• Benign

- Intraductal papilloma
- Malignant
 - In-situ
 - Intraductal papilloma with DCIS
 - Intraductal papillary carcinoma
 - Encapsulated papillary carcinoma
 - Solid papillary carcinoma
 - Invasive
 - Invasive papillary carcinoma
 - Micropapillary carcinoma

In-situ papillary lesions


Intraductal papillomas with DCIS

- Use of atypical papilloma is discouraged
- Low grade changes <3 mm ADH
- Low grade changes >3 mm DCIS
- Increased risk of subsequent invasive breast cancer
- Intermediate/High grade changes DCIS







Intraductal papillary carcinoma/ Papillary DCIS

- Intraductal papillary lesion with thin fibrovascular cores
- Columnar cells with nuclei aligned perpendicular to the stromal cores
- Usually lack myoepithelial cells within the lesion (although can sometimes be demonstrated)
- Myoepithelial cells are demonstrated around the lesion



Encysted/Encapsulated papillary carcinoma

- Circumscribed papillary lesion surrounded by a thick fibrous capsule
- Complete lack of myoepithelial cells





Encysted papillary carcinoma

- Ongoing debate regarding the true biological state
- Some of these lesions are probably low grade carcinomas growing with expansile edges
- However managed as in-situ lesions as behaviour is similar to DCIS

Solid papillary carcinoma

- Single or multiple nodules
- Usually multiple expansile cellular nodules with smooth contours
- Solid papillary growth pattern
- Myoepithelial cells can be demonstrated at the periphery
- More commonly associated with invasive component



Solid papillary carcinoma

 In cases lacking mantle of myoepithelial cells – if the tumour islands are irregular with jagged edges and surrounded by desmoplastic stroma, consider diagnosis of invasive malignancy

When diagnosis of papillary carcinoma is made, it is imperative to clarify in the report whether the lesion is in-situ or invasive

Reference

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Thank you

GENERAL EQA CIRCULATION 43 Educational Cases E3 & E4

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CASE E3

- F 35
- Hx of pulsatile tinnitus
- Bx red mass behind eardrum









CD34



S100



CD56



SMA



ANSWERS

- Jugulotympanic paraganglioma, paraganglioma (57)
- Glomus tympanicum (2)
- Glomus tumour/glomangioma (27)
- Haemangioma (8)
- Carotid body paraganglioma (1)
- Glomus carotid body tumour (2)
- Adenoma (1)
- Pecoma (1)

JUGOLOTYMPANIC PARAGANGLIOMA

- Also called glomus jugulare tumour or glomus tympanicum tumour
- Most common tumour of middle ear
- Usually women, ages 40-69 years
 - 85% arise in jugular bulb, causing mass in middle ear or external auditory canal
 - 12% arise from tympanic branch of glossopharyngeal nerve, causing middle ear mass;
 - 3% arise from posterior auricular branch of vagus nerve, causing external auditory canal mass
- Usually cause conductive hearing loss/tinnitus
- Tumours are fed by branches of nearby large arteries; may bleed profusely at biopsy
- Histology usually benign, but this does not predict behaviour

DIAGNOSTIC FEATURES

- Classic organoid (zellballen) or nesting pattern of paragangliomas with central round/oval chief cells containing abundant eosinophilic granular or vacuolated cytoplasm, uniform nuclei with dispersed chromatin
- Sustentacular cells (spindled, basophilic, difficult to see with H&E) are present at periphery of nests
- Prominent fibrovascular stroma separates nests
- No glandular or alveolar differentiation, although alveolar pattern like in middle ear adenoma has been described

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- Chromogranin and synaptophysin+ (chief cells), S100+ (sustentacular cells)
- Reticulin+ (stains stroma and delineates nesting pattern, particularly helpful with crushed specimens)
- Keratin, EMA, HMB45, desmin/other myogenic markers, PAS, mucicarmine -

DIFFERENTIAL

• Middle ear adenoma (glandular & NE differentiation, keratin/CK7/chromo+, intraluminal mucin+, non-vascular)

CASE E4

- F 79
- Large polyp prepyloric area at endoscopy








CD34



CD117



ANSWERS

- Inflammatory fibroid tumour/myofibroblastic (90)
- GIST (2)
- Inflammatory pseudopolyp/tumour (3)
- Eosinophilic granuloma (1)
- NF (1)
- Hamartoma (1)
- Schwannoma (1)



INFLAMMATORY FIBROID TUMOUR/POLYP

- Gastrointestinal tract tumour characterised by spindle and stellate cells set in an inflammatory, myxoid stroma
- Most common in antrum, followed by small intestine
- 3rd to 8th decades of life (mean age 60)
 - May present with intussusception, obstruction, bleeding
 - Infrequently recurs
 - No metastases or local aggressive recurrences
- Most are semi-pedunculated polyps arising in the submucosa
 - Covered by mucosa or may be eroded
 - Occasional tumours may be restricted to the lamina propria and muscularis mucosae
 - Larger tumours may extend into muscularis propria
 - Most <5 cm, rarely up to 20 cm

DIAGNOSTIC FEATURES

• Composed of bland, uniform spindled/stellate cells

- The lesional cells may be lost in the background and difficult to identify
- Multinucleated giant cells in 1/3 of cases
- Loose fibromyxoid background with regular vascular pattern
 - Regular small to medium sized vessels throughout
 - May have granulation tissue appearance
- Eosinophil rich mixed inflammatory infiltrate
 - Also includes lymphocytes, plasma cells, macrophages, mast cells
 - Lymphoid aggregates may be seen
- Frequent whorled, concentric "onion skin" pattern centred on blood vessels and glands
 - 10% of cases may lack this pattern, but may be accentuated by CD34

DIFFERENTIAL

- **GIST** CD117+, infrequent eosinophils, lacks regular vascular pattern
- **Solitary fibrous tumour** arises in serosa, ropey collagen, inflammation infrequent
- **Schwannoma** peripheral lymphoid cuff, lacks regular vascular pattern
- **Inflammatory myofibroblastic tumour** children, plasma cells >eosinophils, desmin/keratin/ALK1+, CD34 -, lacks regular vascular pattern, nuclear pleomorphism
- Leiomyoma desmin +, CD34-, infrequent eosinophils