

**Welcome to Pathology I 35**

# Pathology: Cell Injury and Cellular Adaptations

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**Fact: Actual Autopsy**

# Pathology 135

- Course is divided into two components:
  - Mechanisms of Disease
  - Systemic Pathology
- Textbooks
- Exams - Midterm (11/3/15) and Final Exam (12/9/15)
  - Weekly Online Quiz: Starting 9/25/15
- Grading

# The Roles of the Pathologist

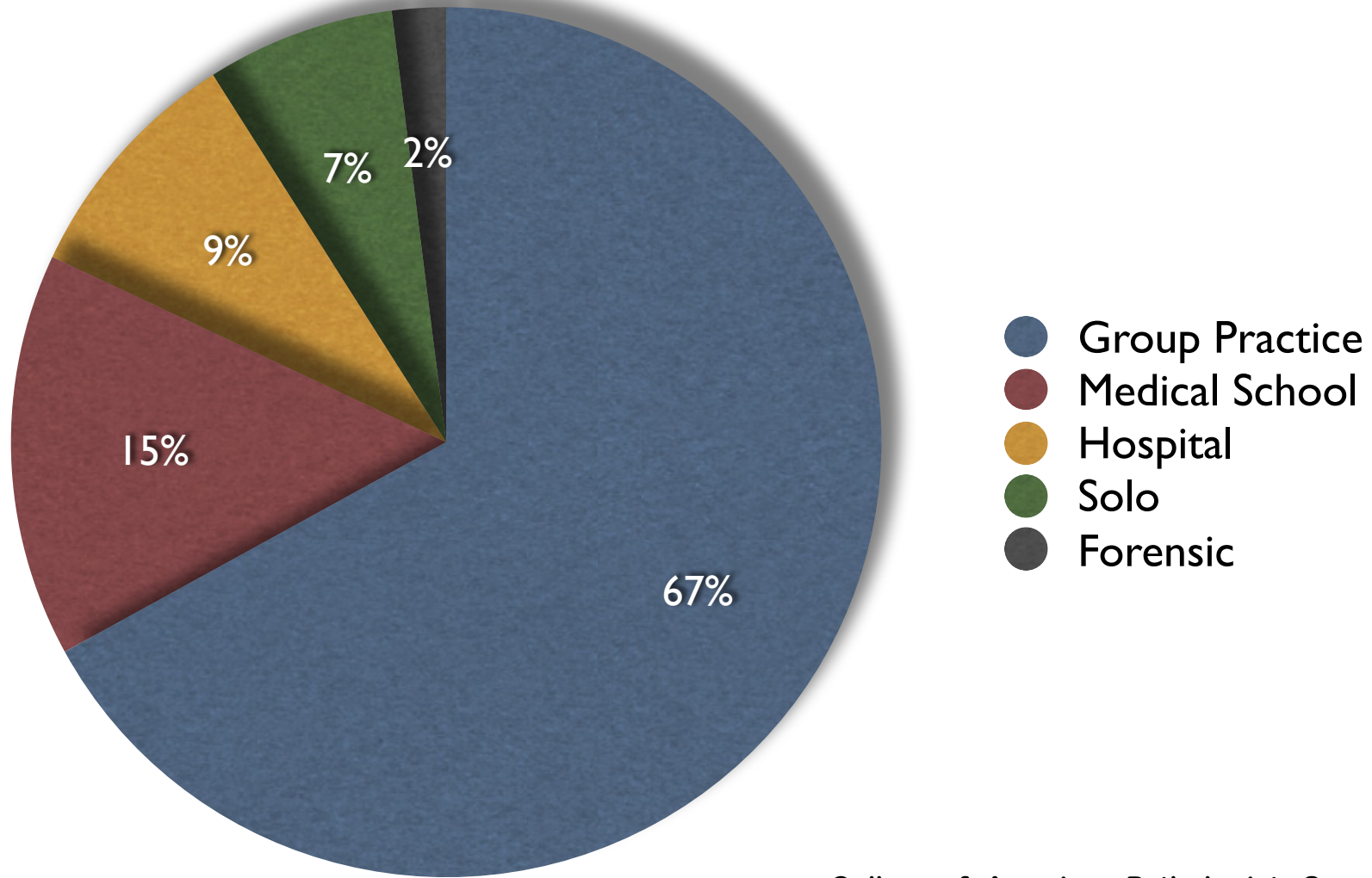
## ● The study of disease

- Morphologic description of disease
- Experimental studies
- Molecular analyses (studying expression of genes and molecules in diseased tissue)

## ● The diagnosis of disease

- The clinical discipline of Pathology
- Anatomic (surgical pathologist, cytopathologist and autopsy pathologist) and clinical pathology (laboratory medicine)

# US Pathology Practice Demographics



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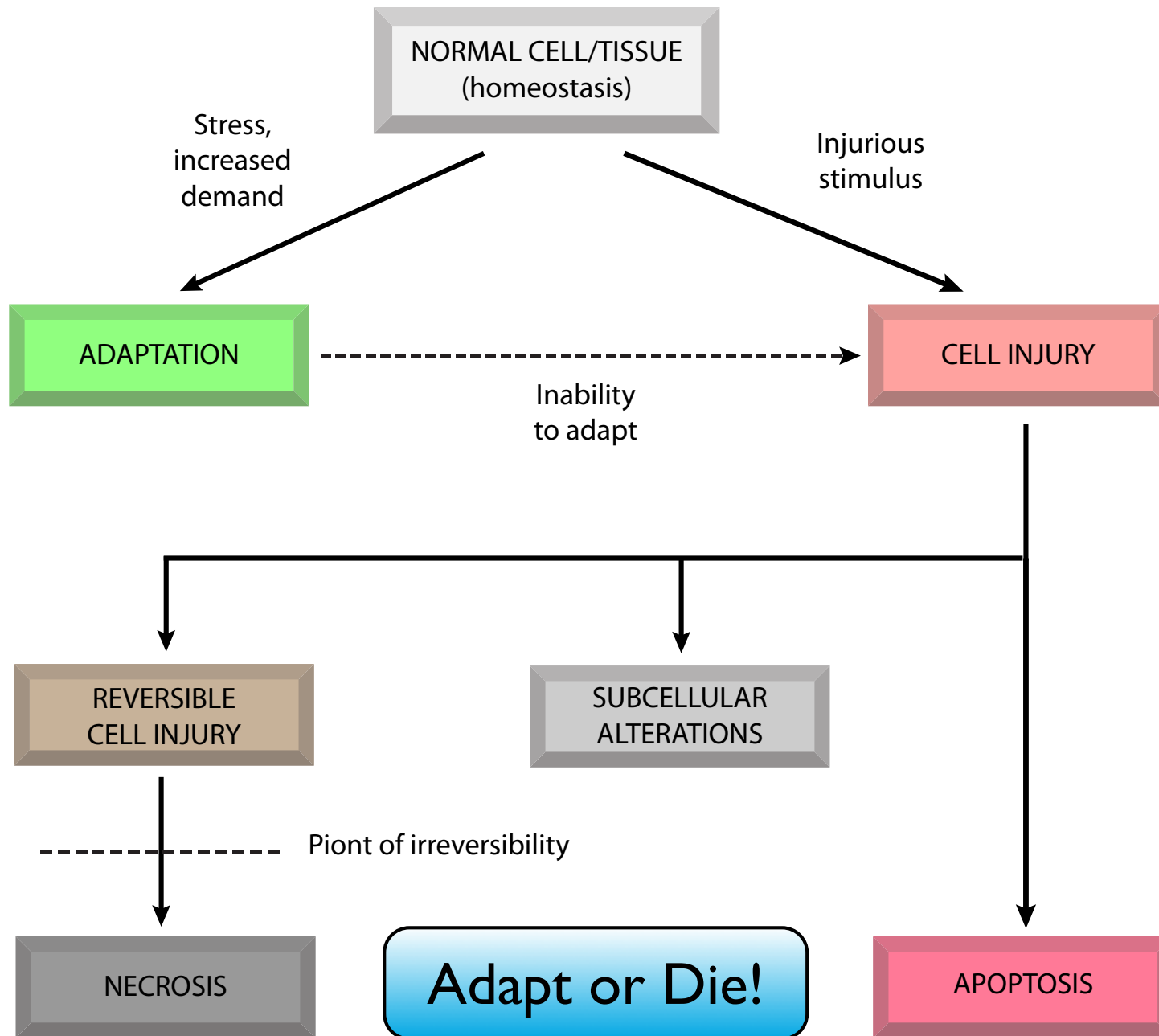
# Cell Injury: Mechanisms & Adaptations

# Introduction to Pathology

- Definition: study of disease (“suffering”)
  - Pathology is the convergence of basic science and clinical medicine
  - Study of structural and functional changes in cells, tissues and organs that underlie disease
  - Fundamental knowledge that is relevant to all other medical disciplines

# Overview of Pathology

- Etiology or cause
- Pathogenesis
- Morphologic changes
- Functional derangements and clinical significance



# Mechanisms of Cell Injury

Four cellular systems susceptible to cell injury

1. Integrity of cell membranes
2. Aerobic respiration
3. Synthesis of enzymes and structural proteins
4. Preservation of genetic apparatus of the cell

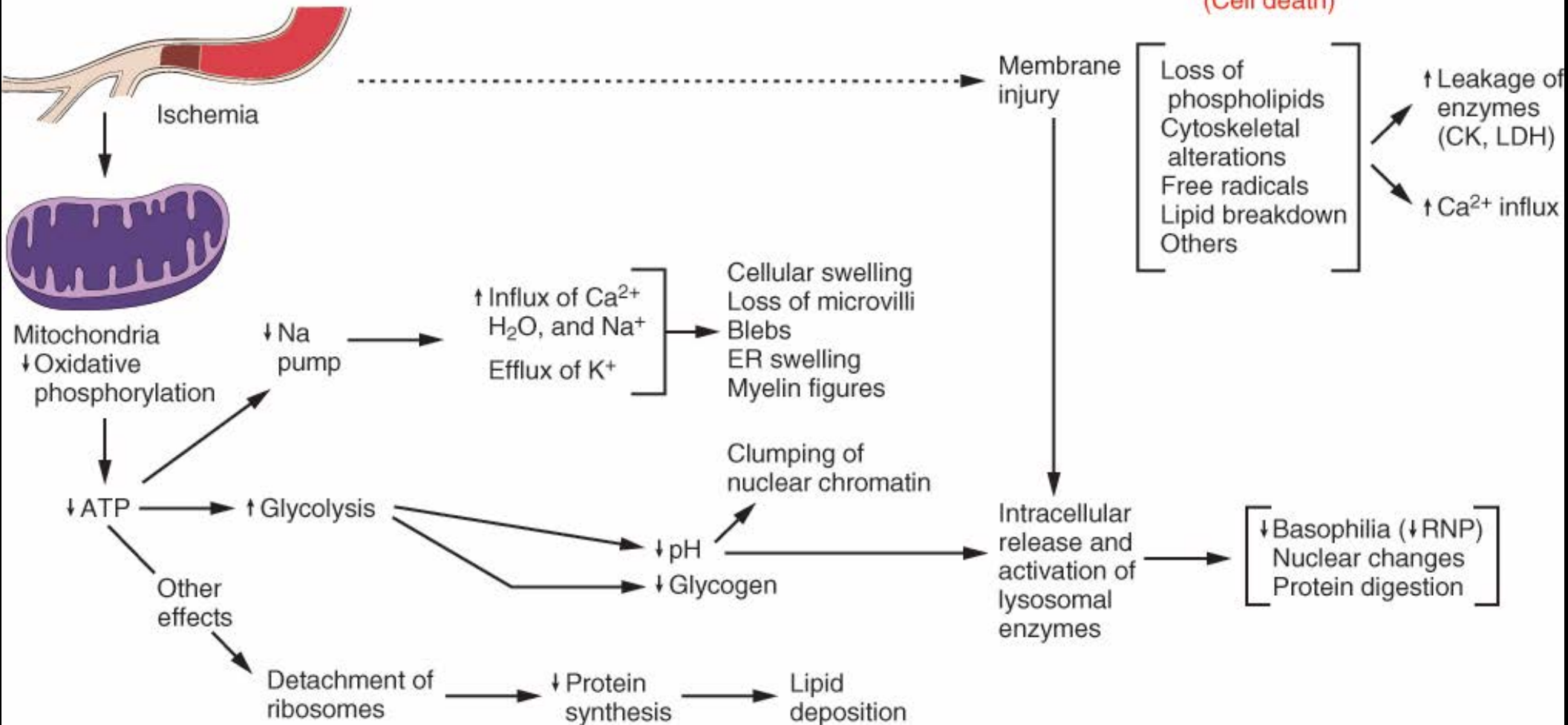
# Cell Injury

- Disruption to cellular metabolism
- Morphologic changes are preceded by some critical biochemical alteration(s)
- Morphologic reactions are dependent upon the type of injury, its duration and severity
- Intrinsic characteristics of each cell will dictate the type of morphologic changes seen due to cell injury
- Cell's ability to adapt

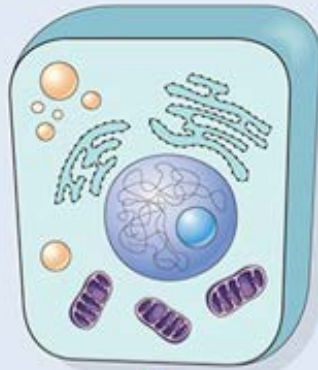
## REVERSIBLE INJURY

## IRREVERSIBLE INJURY

(Cell death)

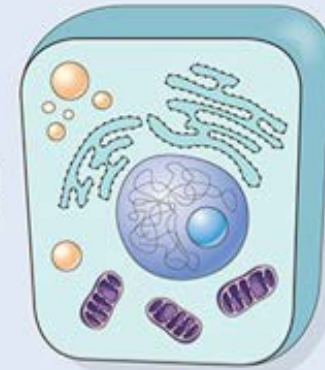


NORMAL



Normal cell

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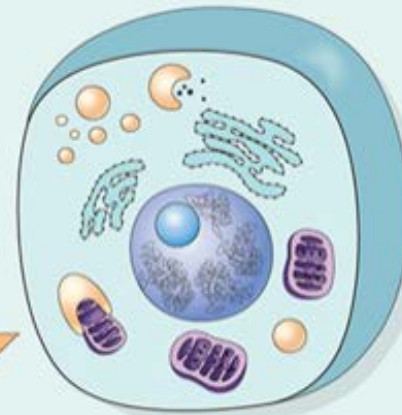
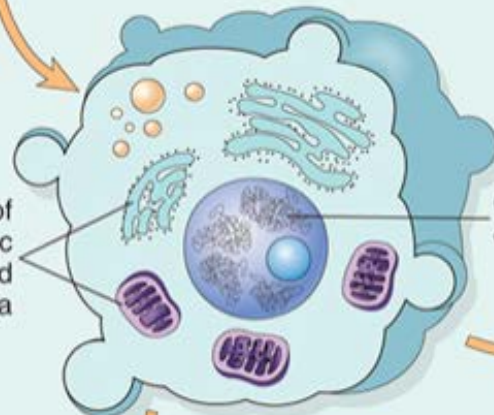
REVERSIBLE  
CELL INJURY

Injury

Swelling of  
endoplasmic  
reticulum and  
mitochondria

Clumping  
of chromatin

Recovery



IRREVERSIBLE CELL  
INJURY → NECROSIS

Death

Swelling of  
endoplasmic  
reticulum and loss  
of ribosomes  
Lysosome rupture  
Membrane blebs

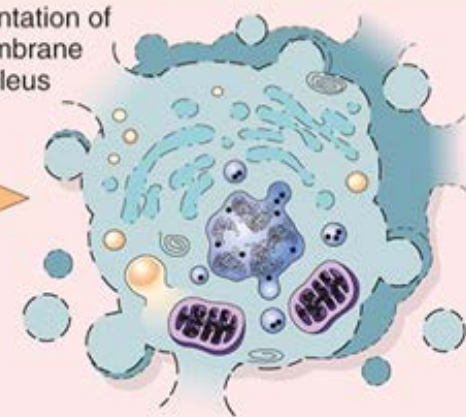
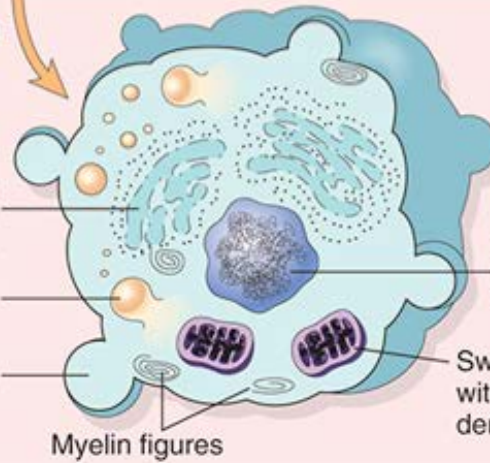
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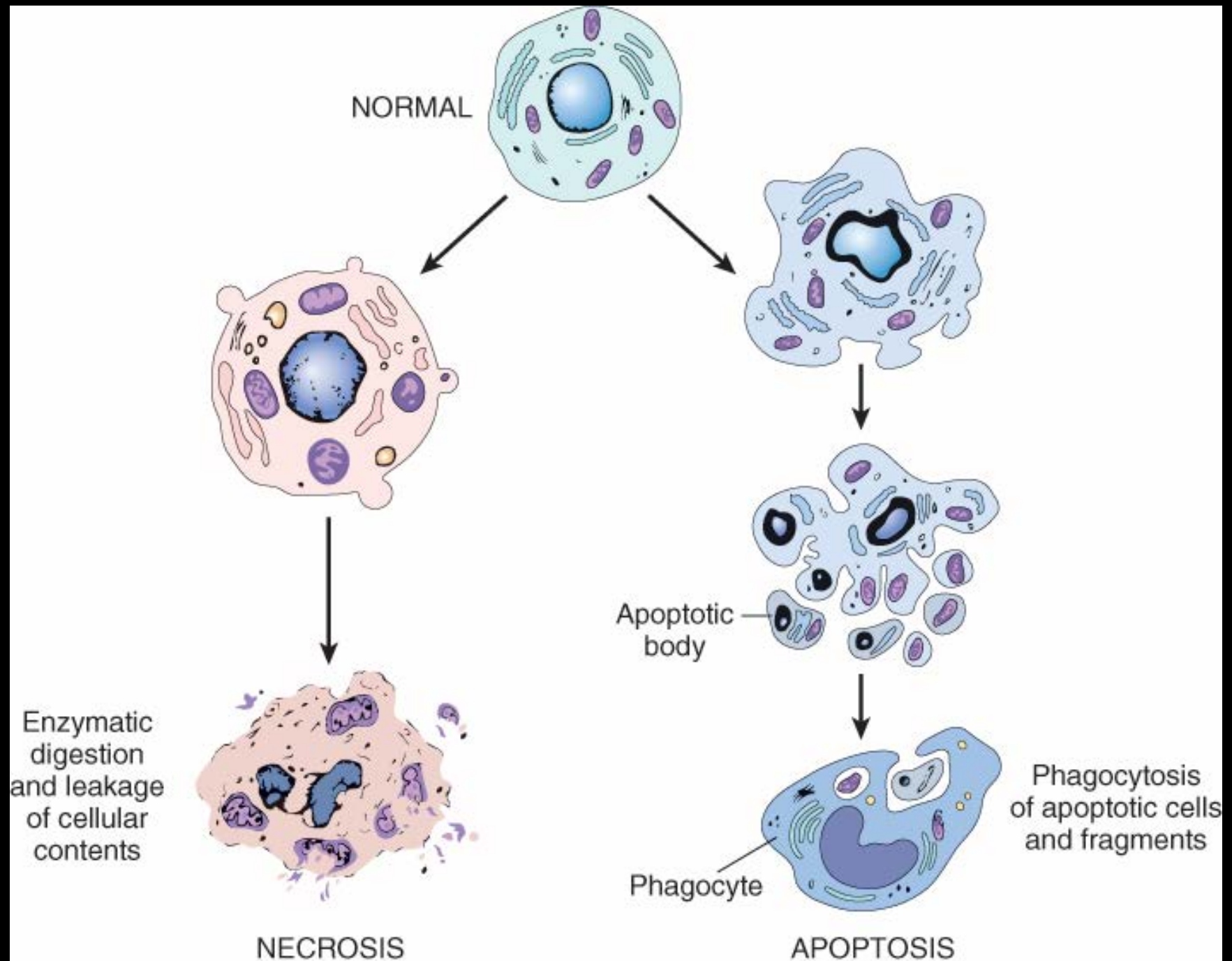
Nuclear  
condensation

Swollen mitochondria  
with amorphous  
densities

Necrosis

Fragmentation of  
cell membrane  
and nucleus





# Apoptosis

## Light microscopy

Definition - programmed cell destruction or death without an inflammatory response

## Physiologic

- Embryogenesis
- Hormone-dependent involution (e.g., endometrium, ovarian follicular atresia, decreased breast size following the cessation of breast feeding)
- Deletion of a portion of proliferating cells
- Selective death of immunocytes (T- and B-cells)

## Syndactyly (fusion of digits)



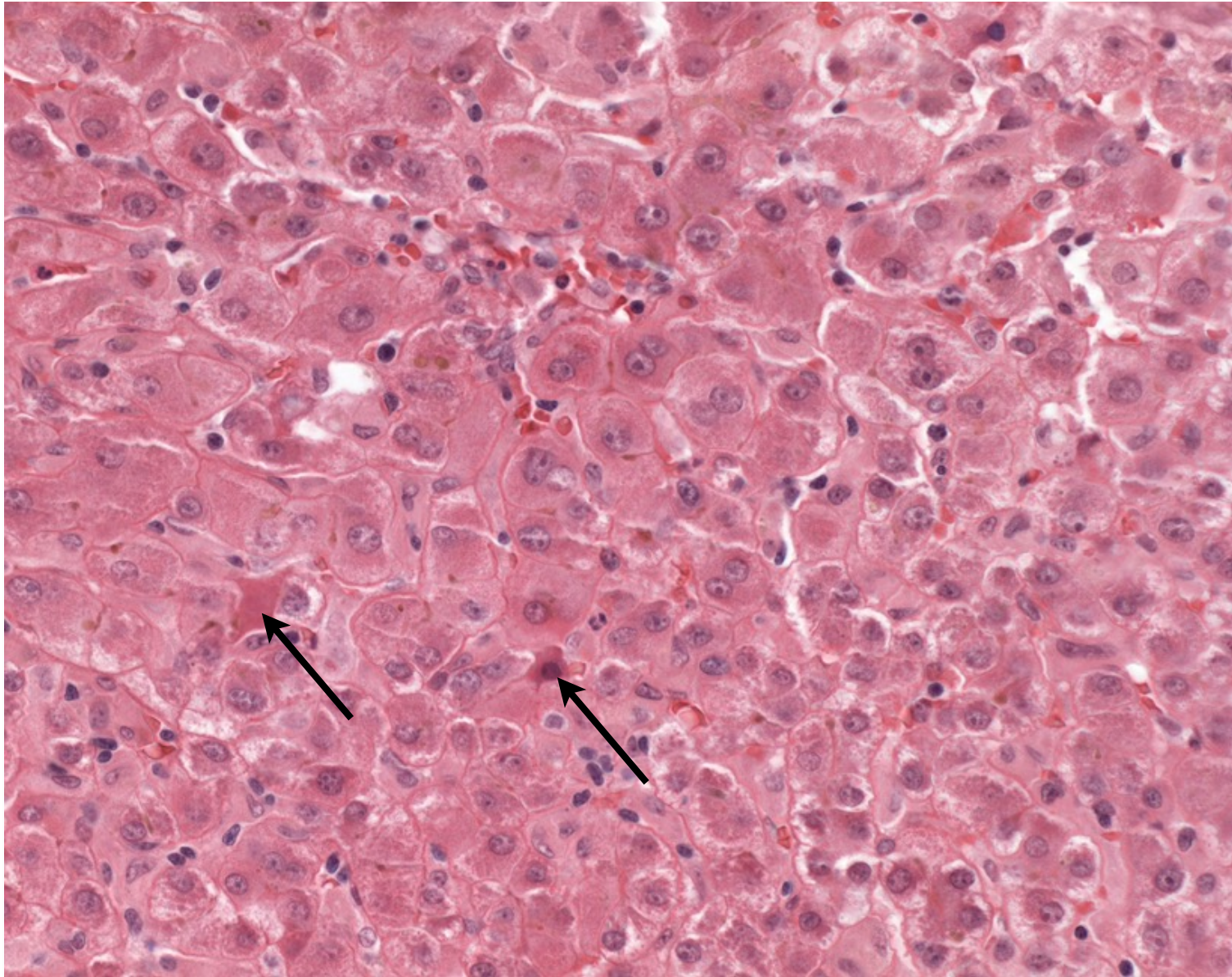
# Morphology of Injured Cells

Light microscopy

Pathologic

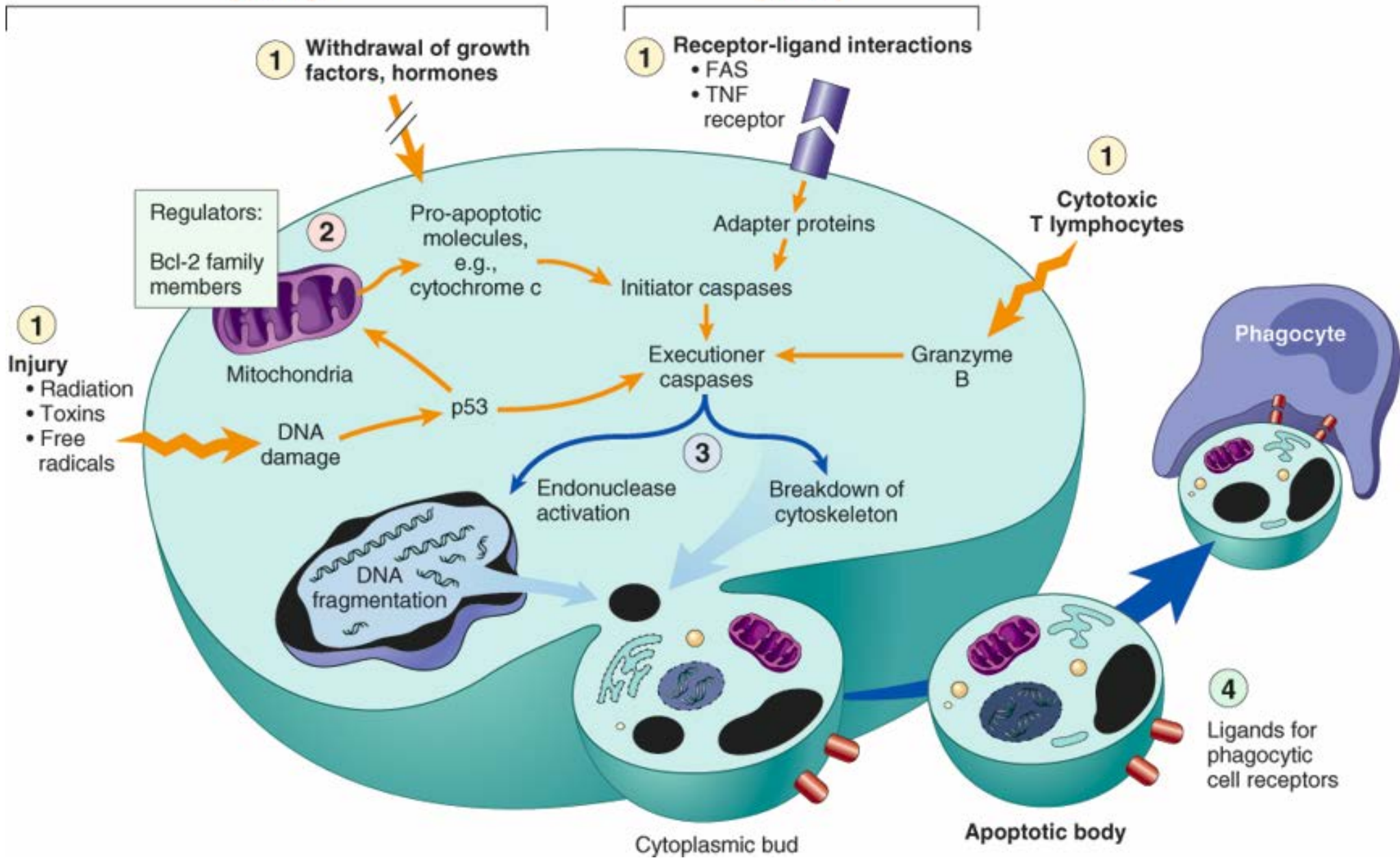
- Viral diseases leading to cell death (Councilman bodies in toxic or viral hepatitis)
- Atrophy (prostatic atrophy after castration)
- Duct obstruction (kidney, pancreas and parotid)
- Cell death induced by T8 lymphocytes (GHD)
- Injurious agents (cytotoxic anticancer drugs)

# Acute Viral Hepatitis: Apoptosis

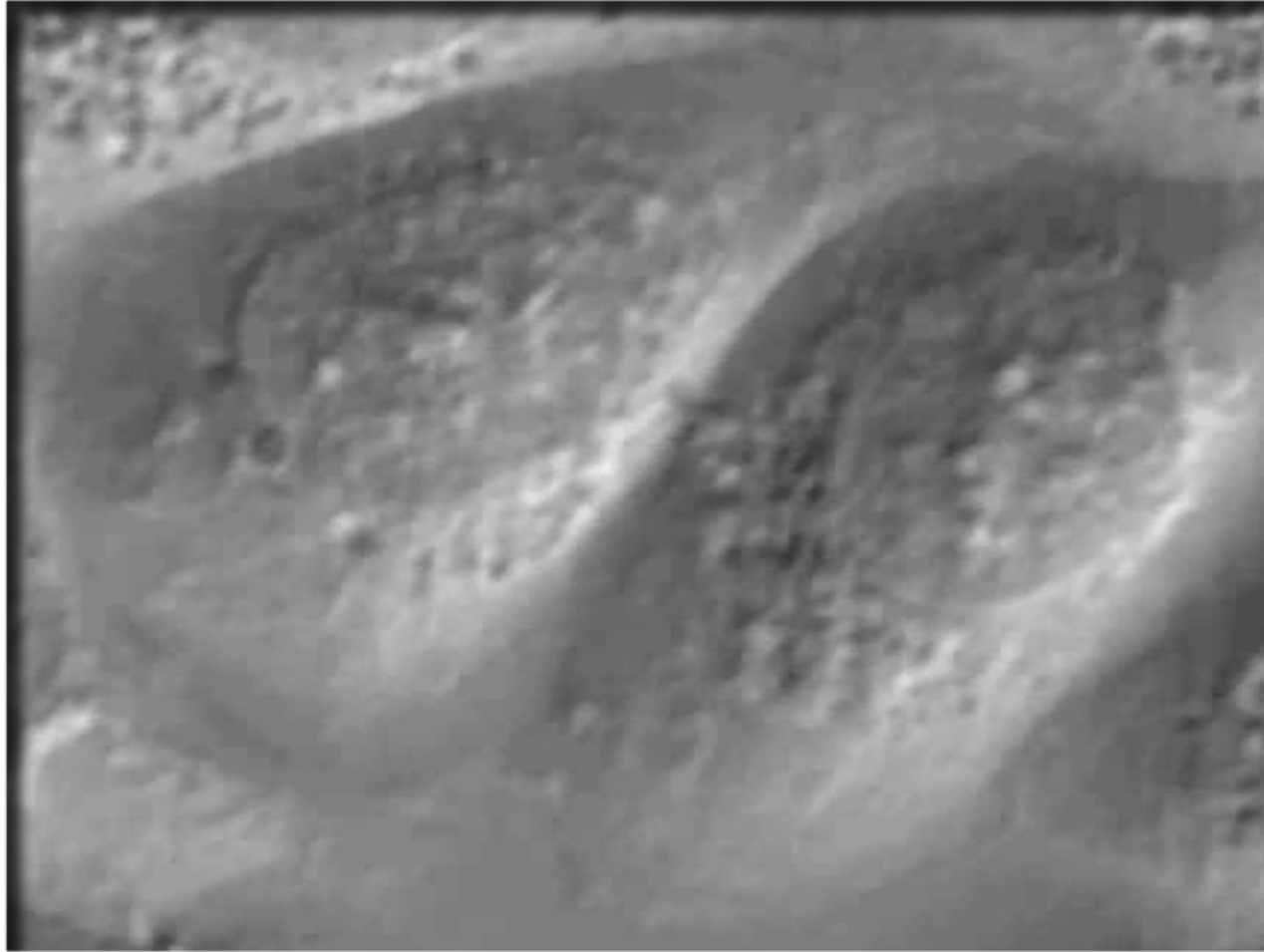


**Intrinsic (mitochondrial) pathway**

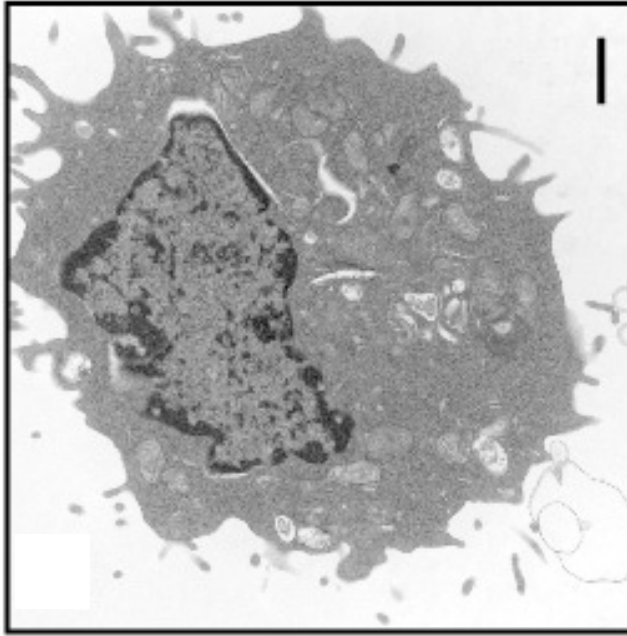
**Extrinsic (death receptor-initiated) pathway**



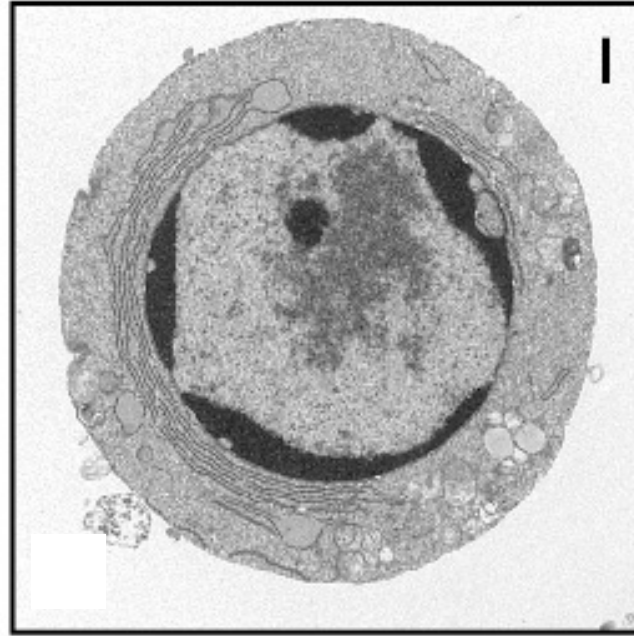
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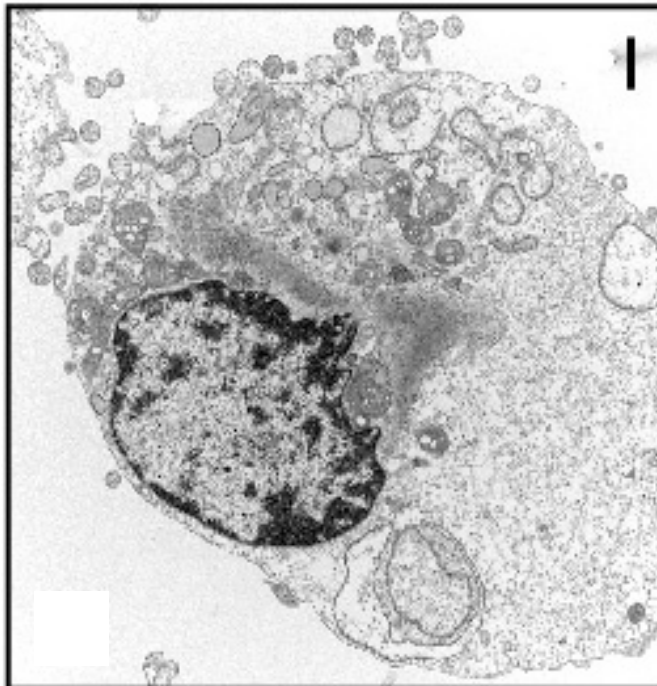
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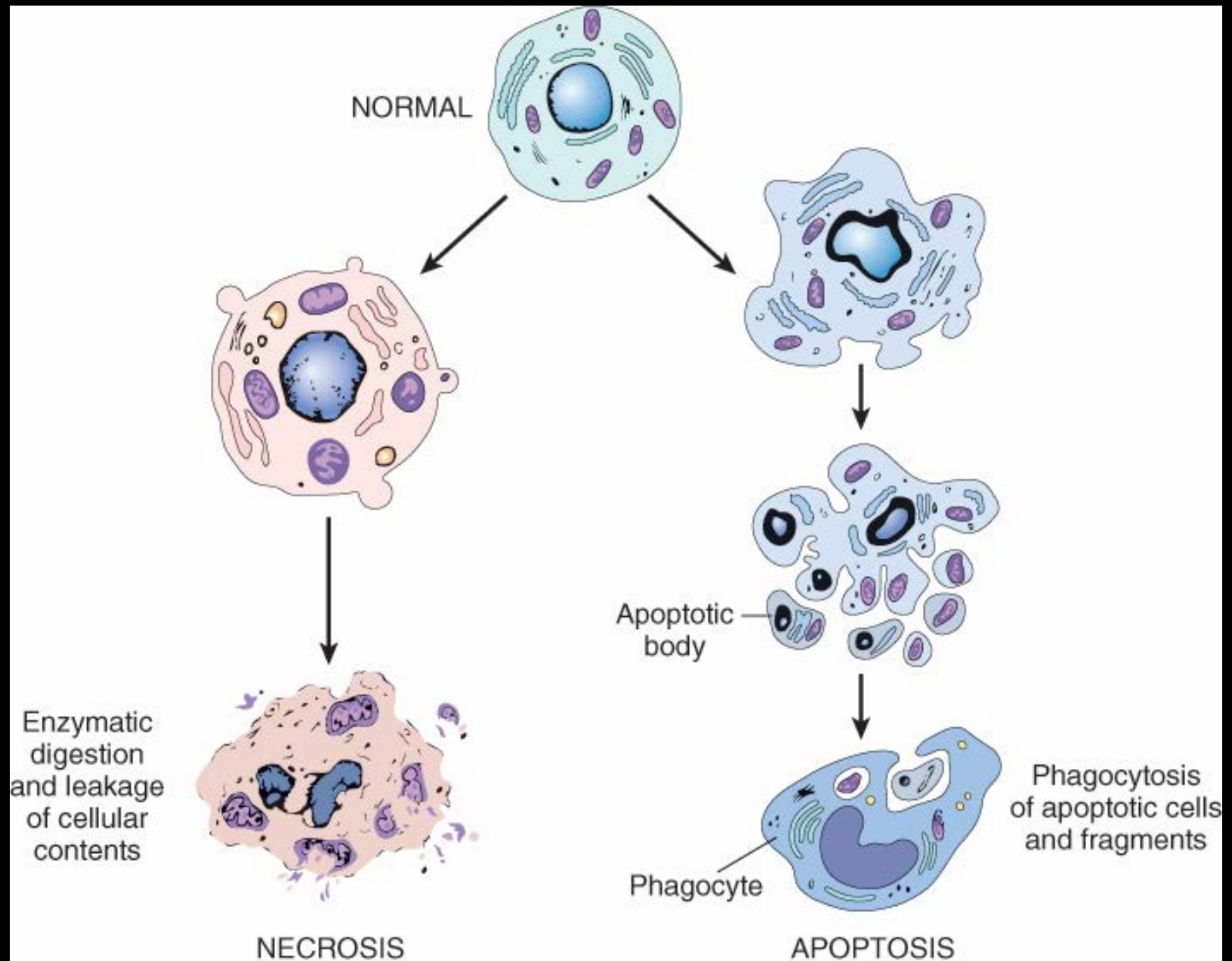


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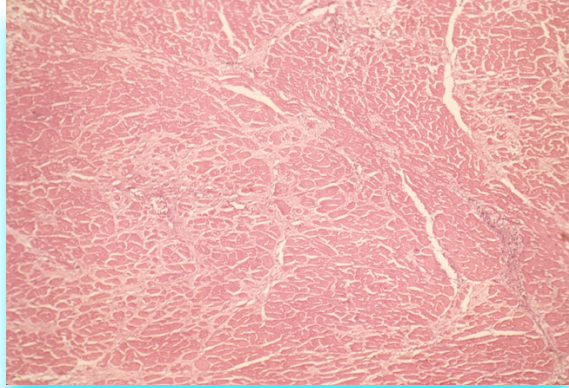


Necrosis

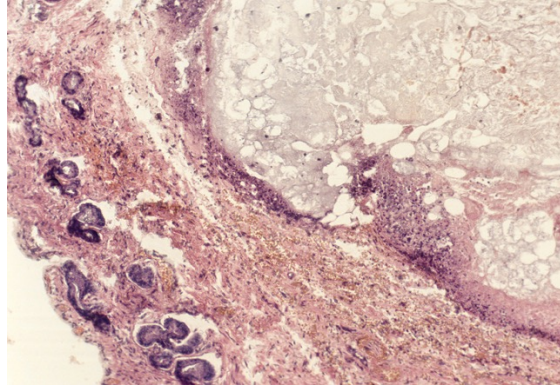




# Types of Necrosis



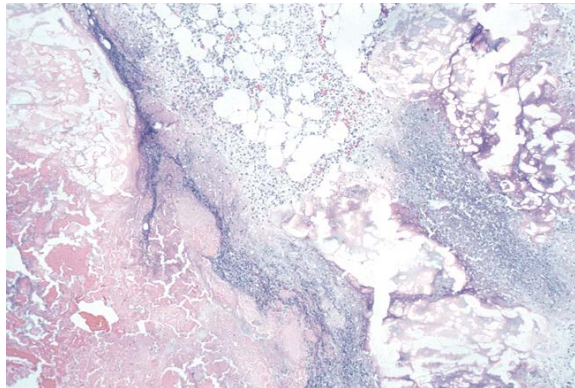
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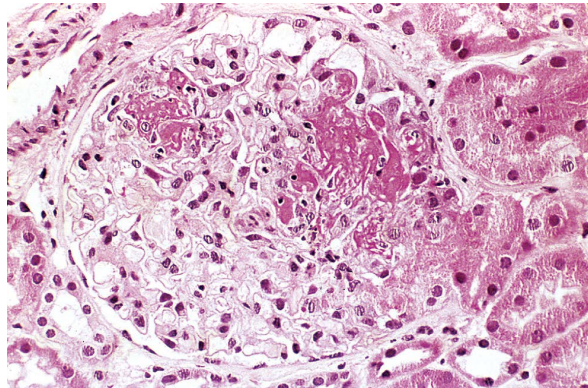
Liquefactive Necrosis



Caseous Necrosis



Fat Necrosis



Fibrinoid Necrosis

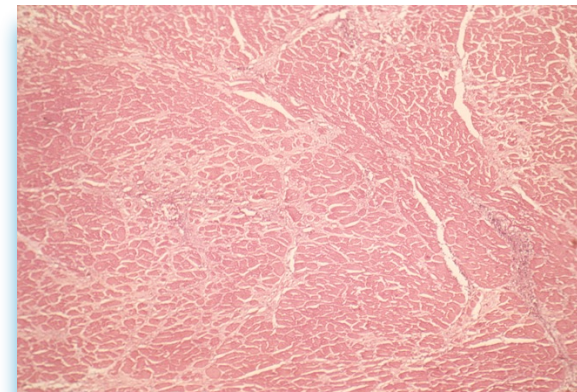


Gangrenous Necrosis

# Types of Necrosis

## Coagulative necrosis

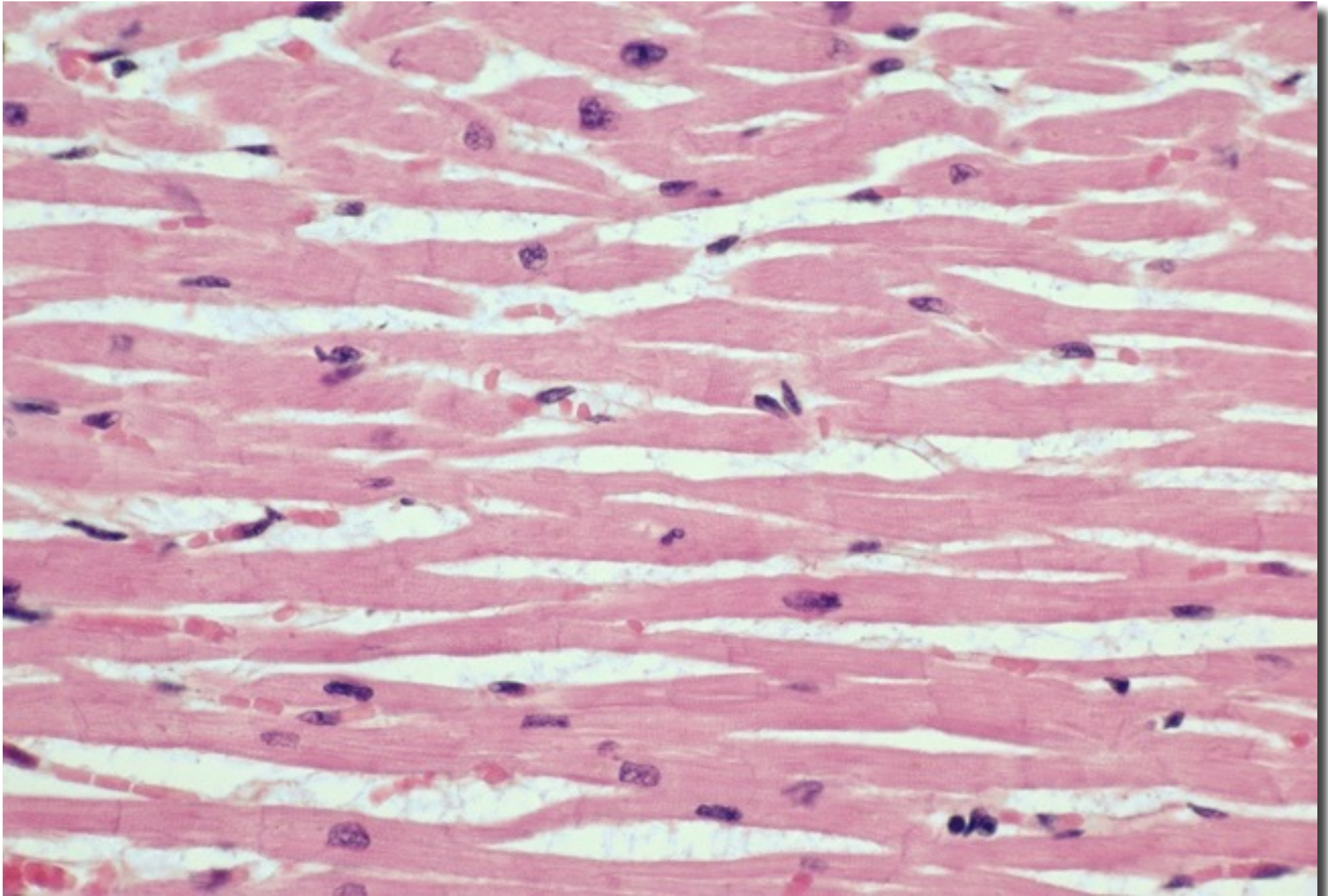
- Dissolution of nucleus with preservation of the basic cellular shape and tissue architecture
- Most common pattern of necrosis
- Mechanism: Ischemia leading to infarction



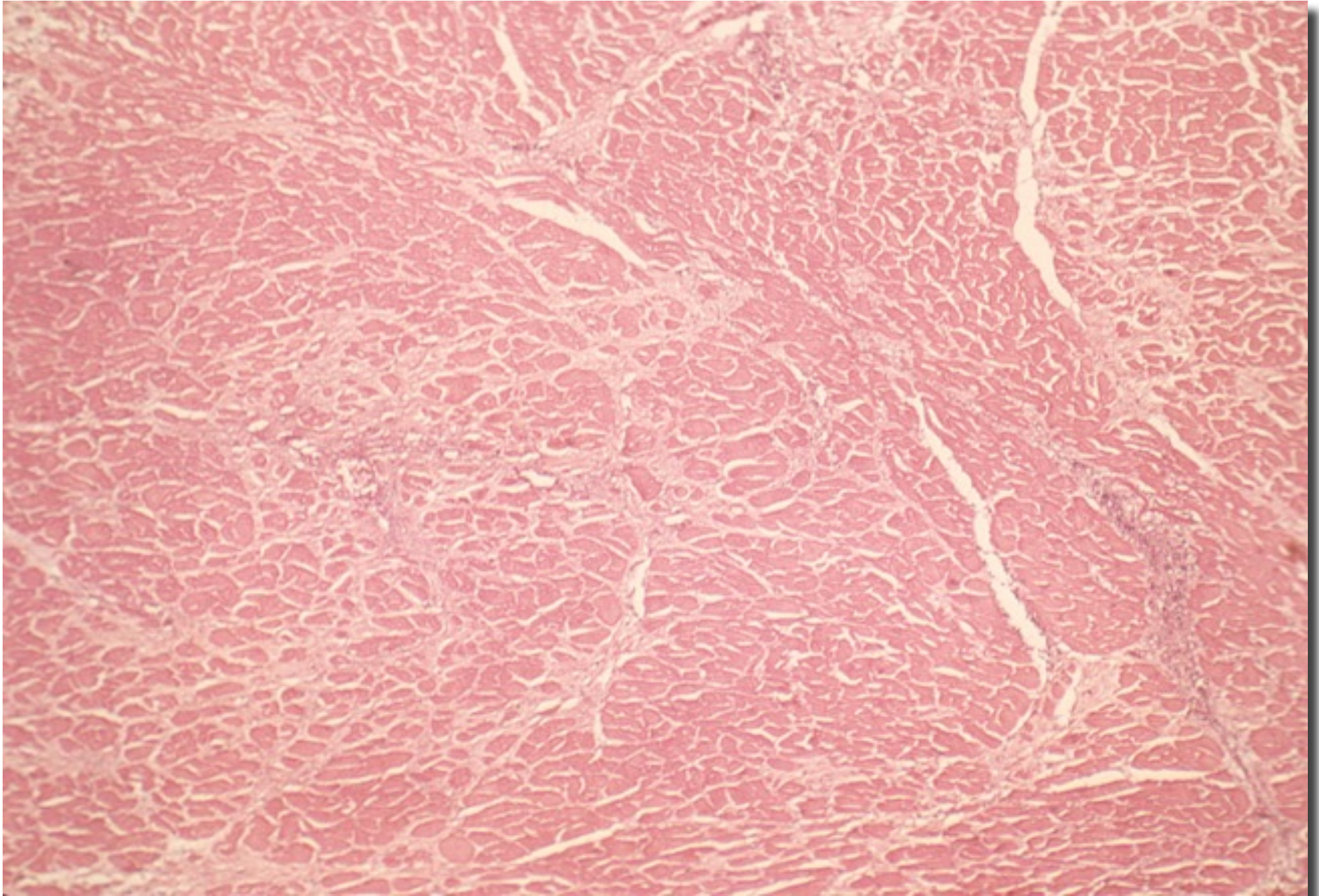
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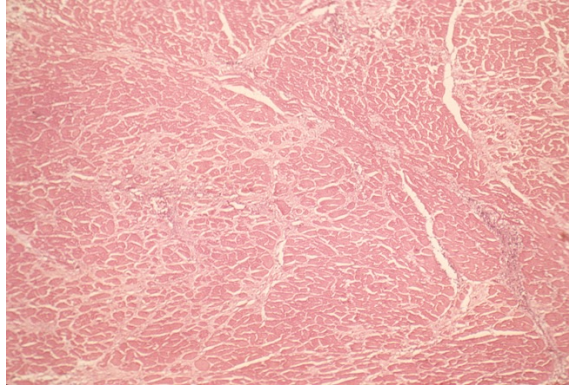
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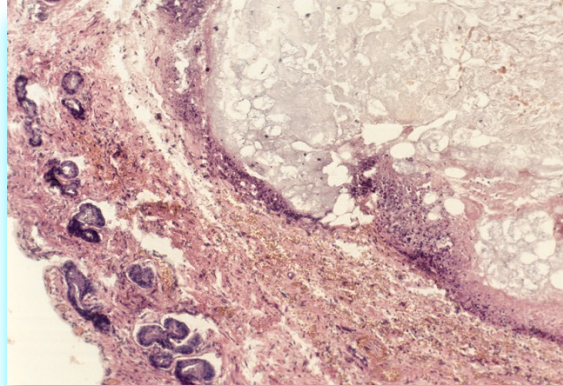
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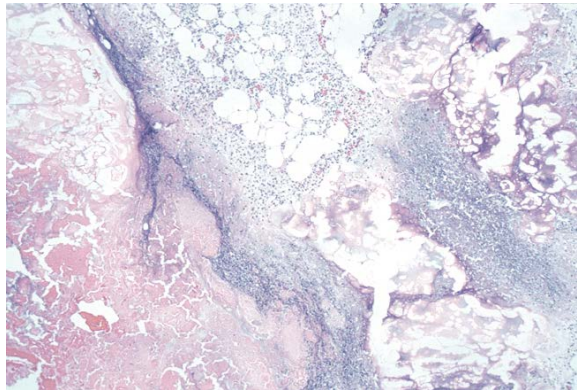
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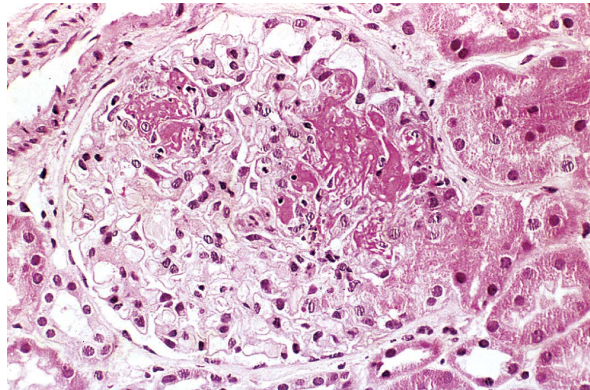
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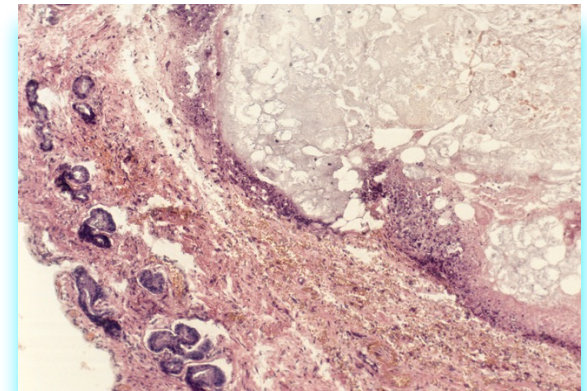


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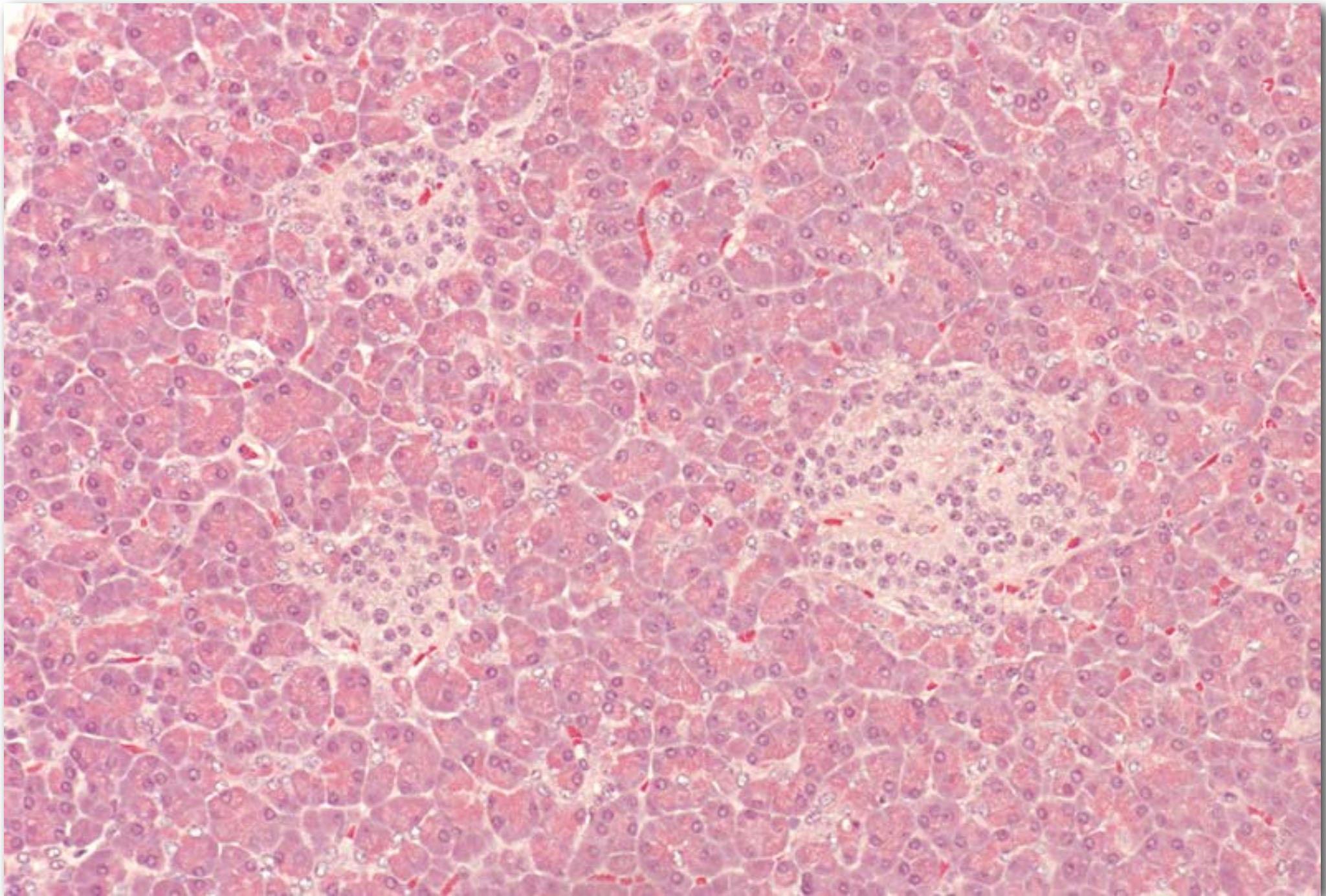
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## Liquefactive necrosis

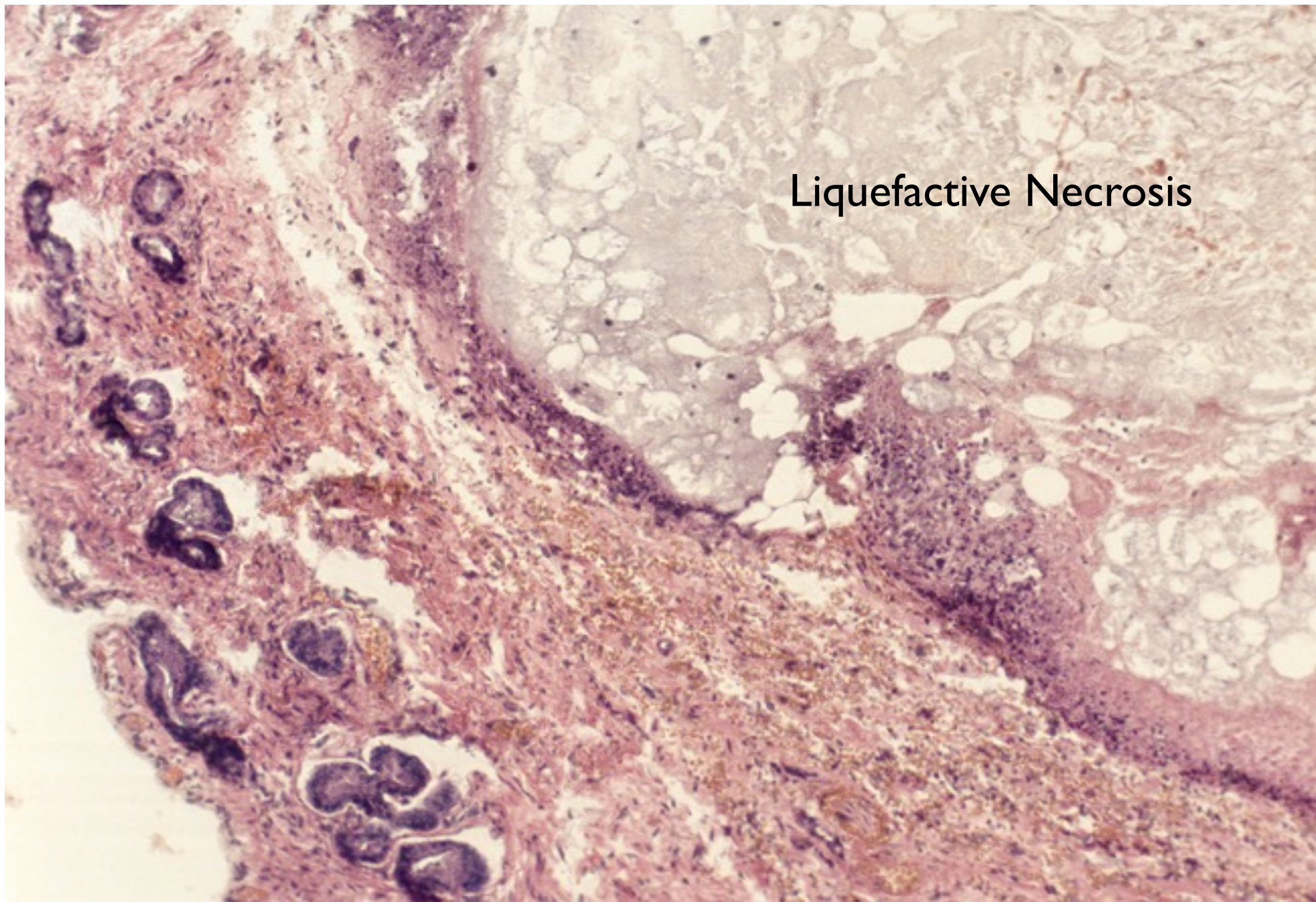
- Action of hydrolytic enzymes including autolysis and heterolysis
- Mechanism: Extensive release of enzymes - abscess formation, pancreatic pseudocyst in acute and chronic pancreatitis



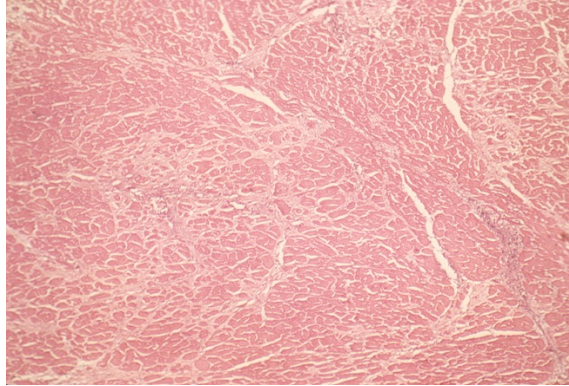
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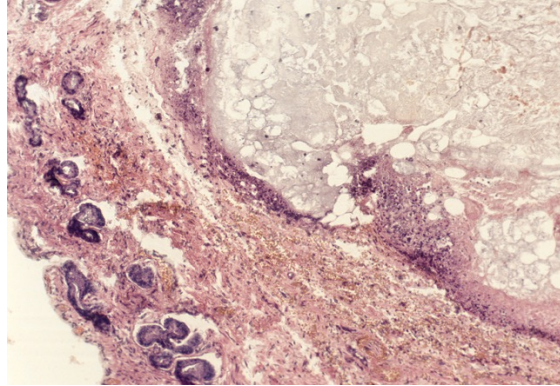
## Acute Pancreatitis: Liquefactive Necrosis



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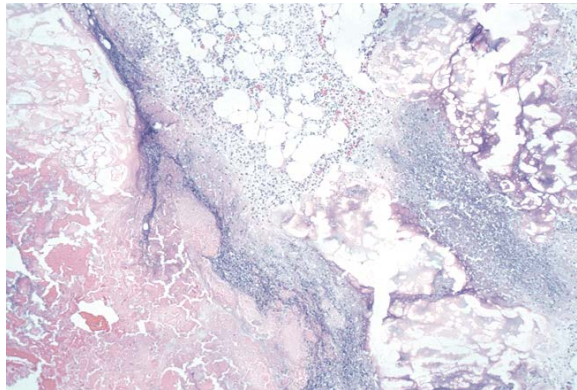
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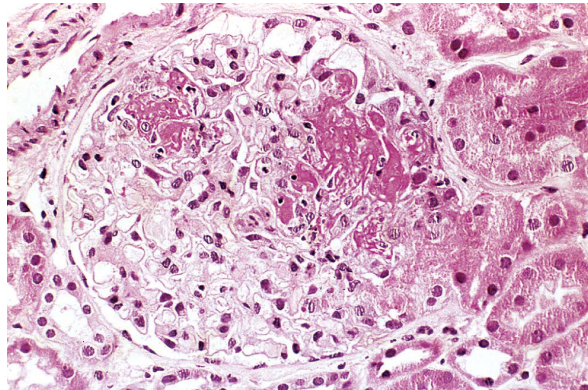
Liquifactive Necrosis



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# Types of Necrosis

Caseous (cheesy) necrosis

- Combination of coagulative and liquefaction necrosis
- Mechanism: Granulomatous inflammation

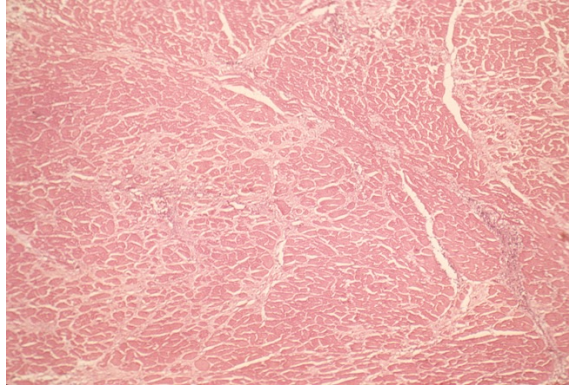
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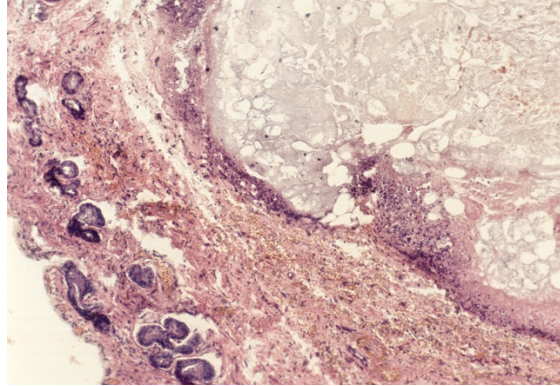
Renal Tuberculosis: Caseous Necrosis



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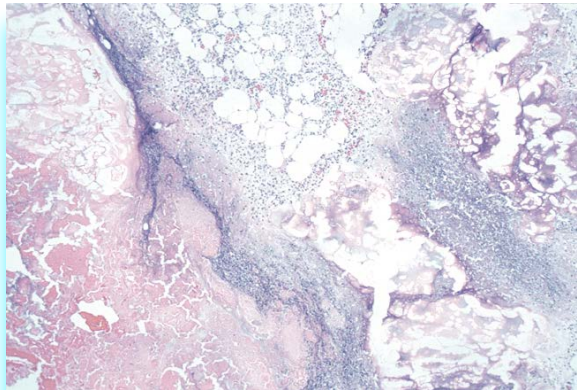
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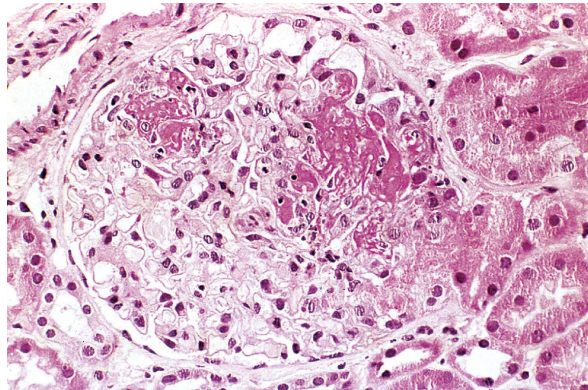
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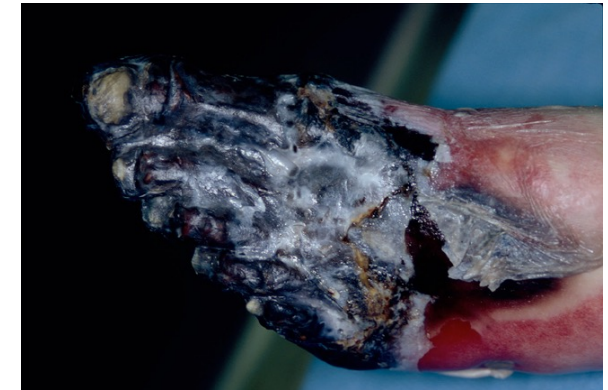
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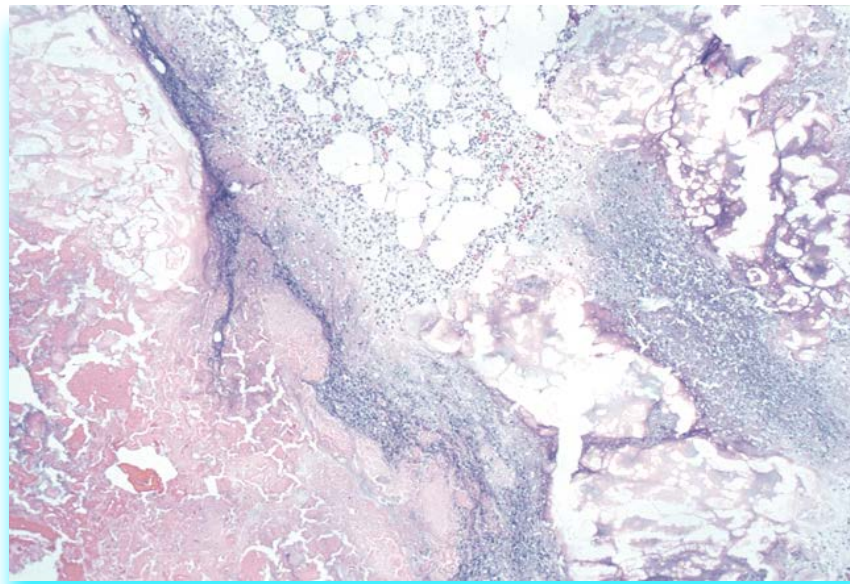


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# Types of Necrosis

## Fat necrosis

- Mechanism: Destruction of adipose tissue due to the action of lipases



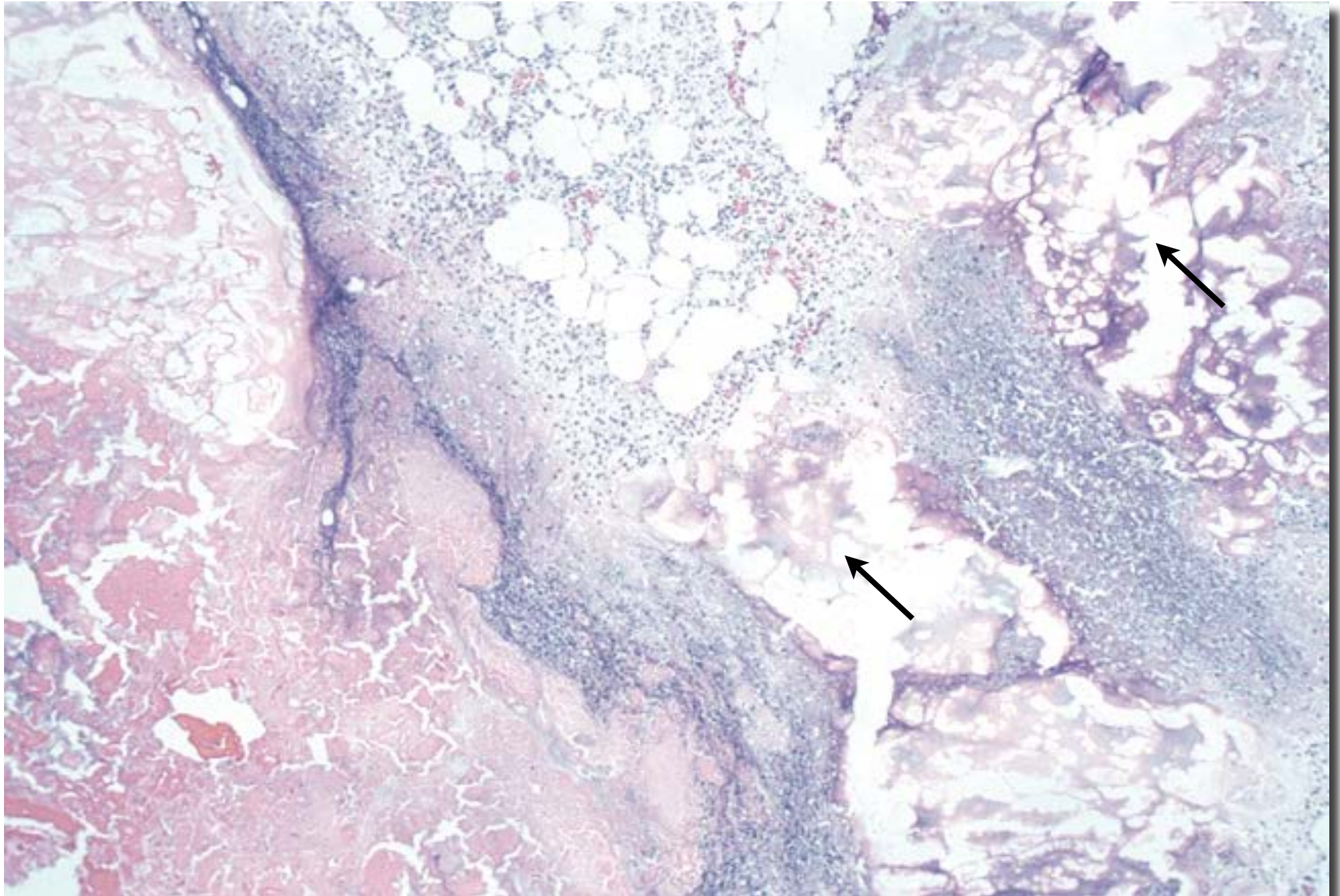
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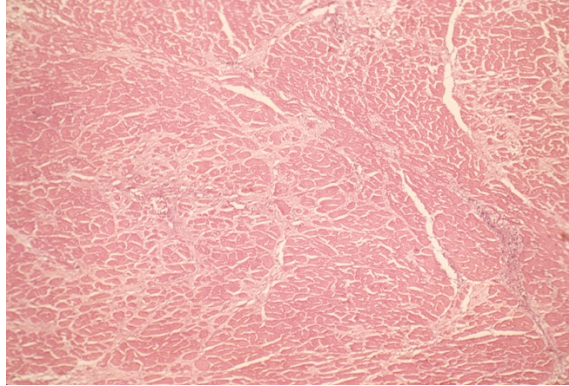
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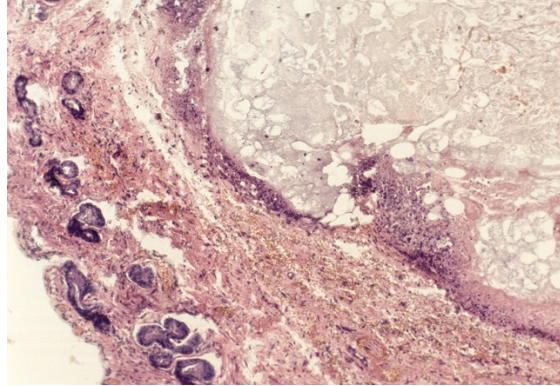
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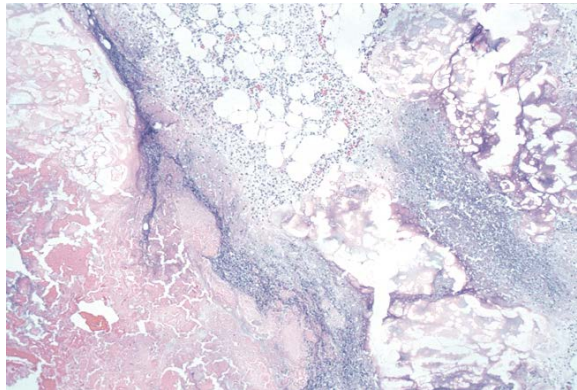
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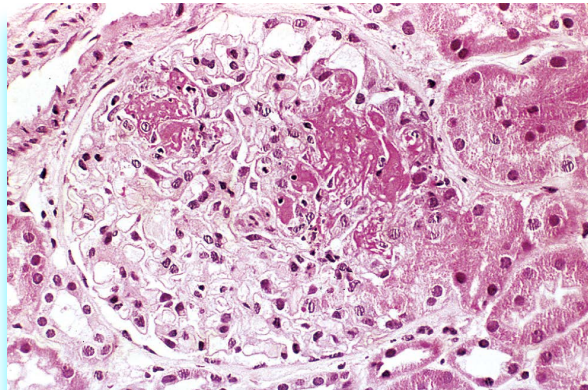
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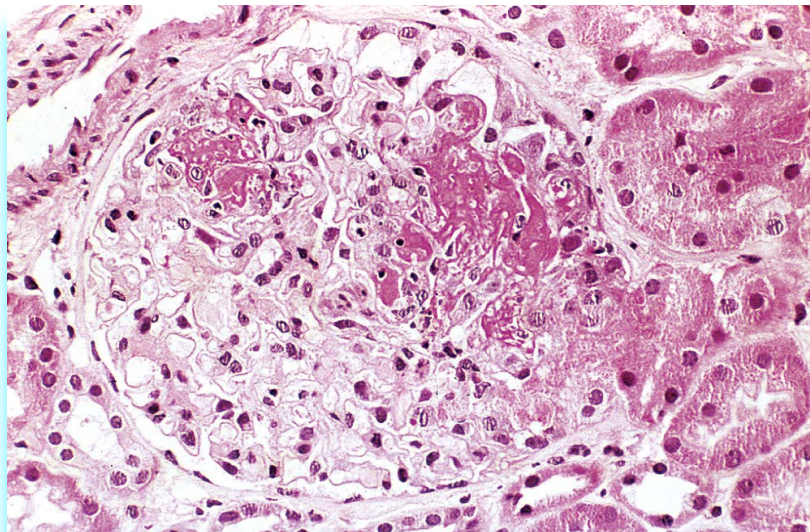


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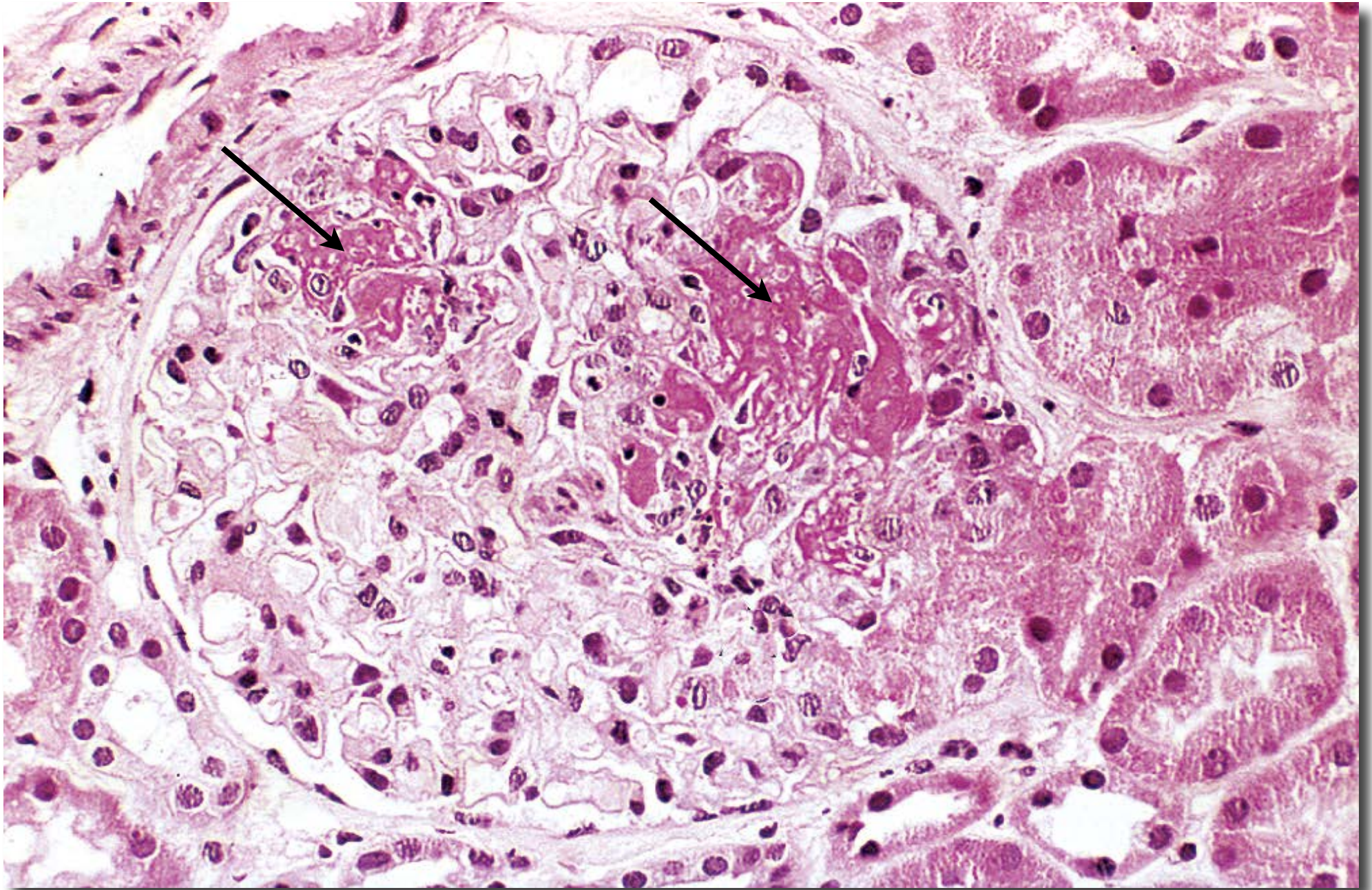
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## Fibrinoid necrosis

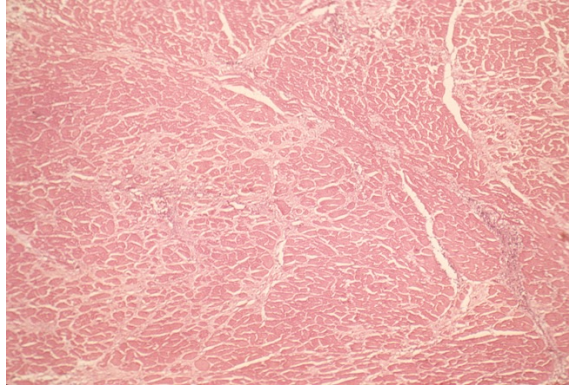
- Necrotic tissue that has some staining characteristics resembling fibrin (deeply eosinophilic, homogenous and refractile)
- Mechanism: Acute immunologic injury, or vasculitis



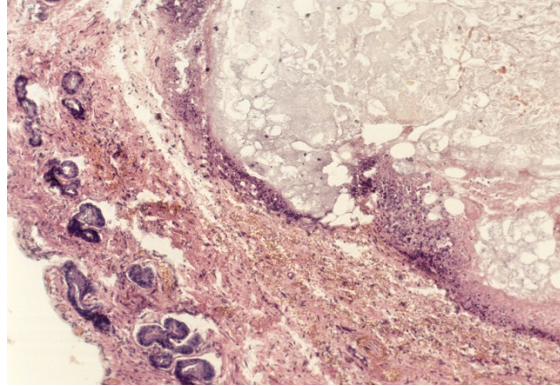
## Acute Immune Complex Glomerulonephritis: Fibrinoid Necrosis



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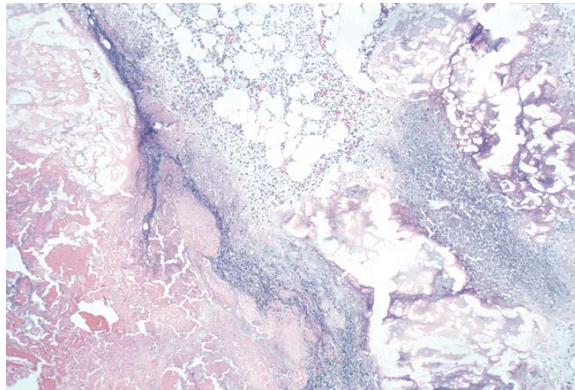
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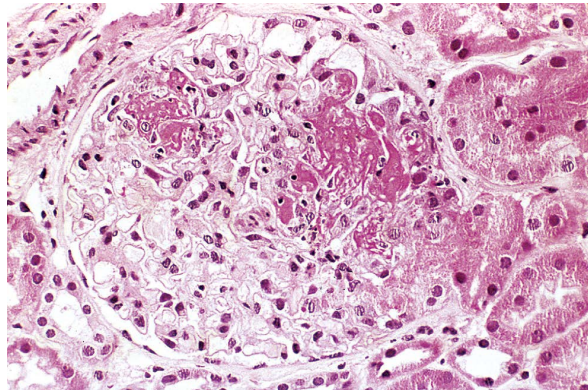
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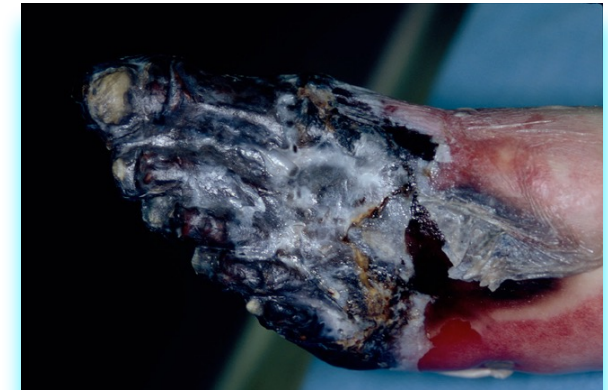
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## Gangrenous necrosis

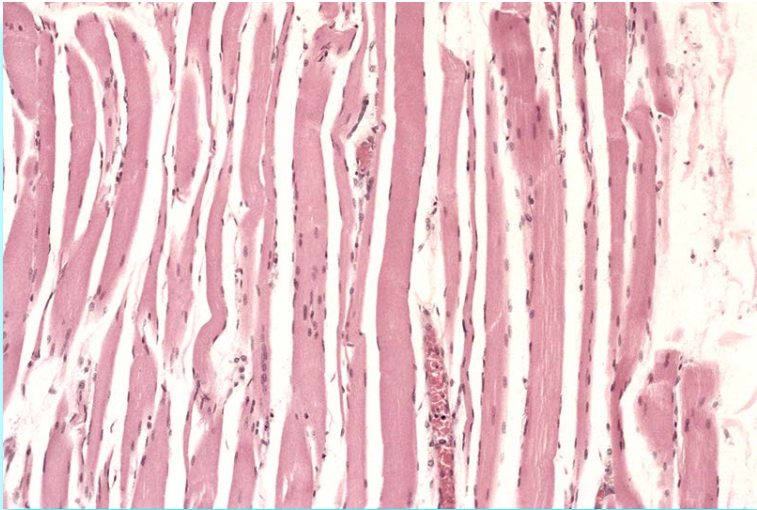
- Dry gangrene - coagulative necrosis is the predominant pattern
- Wet gangrene - liquefactive necrosis is the dominant pattern



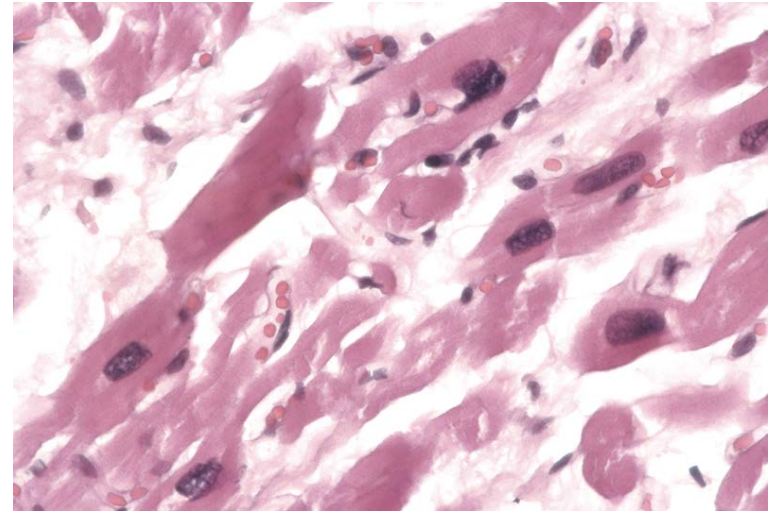
Foot: Dry Gangrene

# Cellular Adaptations

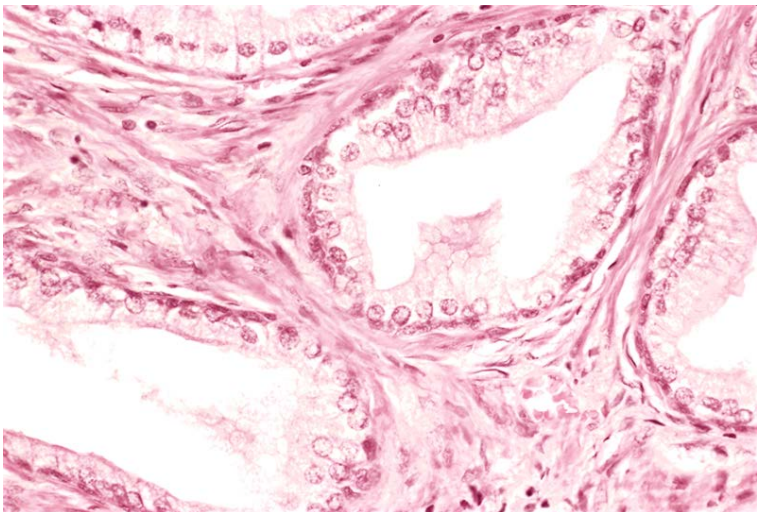
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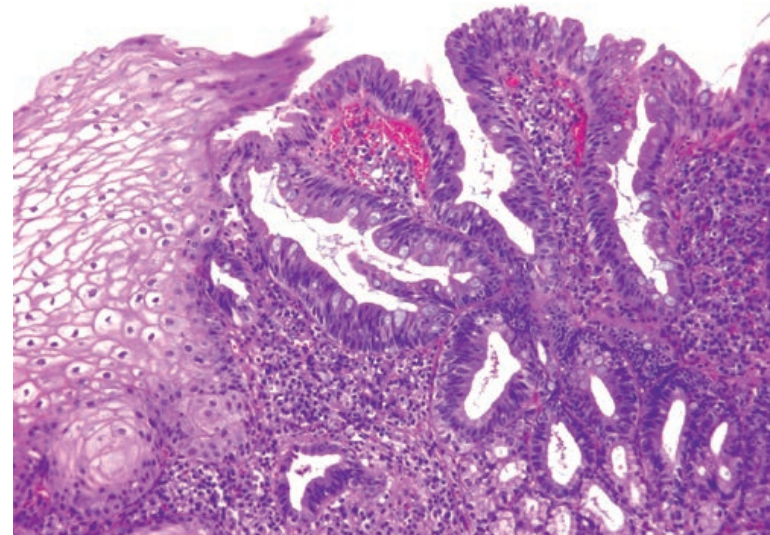
Atrophy



Hypertrophy



Hyperplasia



Metaplasia

# Cellular Adaptations: Overview

- Potentially reversible once the stimulus is removed
- Adaptations involving growth (-plasia) can increase the risk for neoplasia

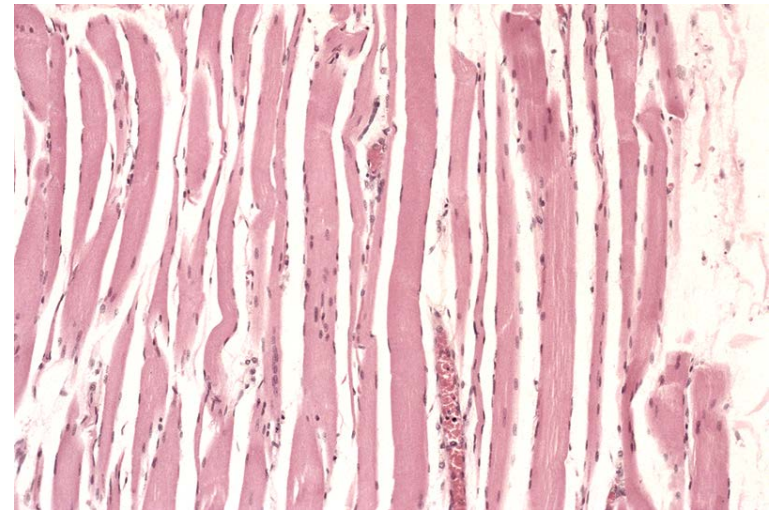
# Atrophy

## Definition

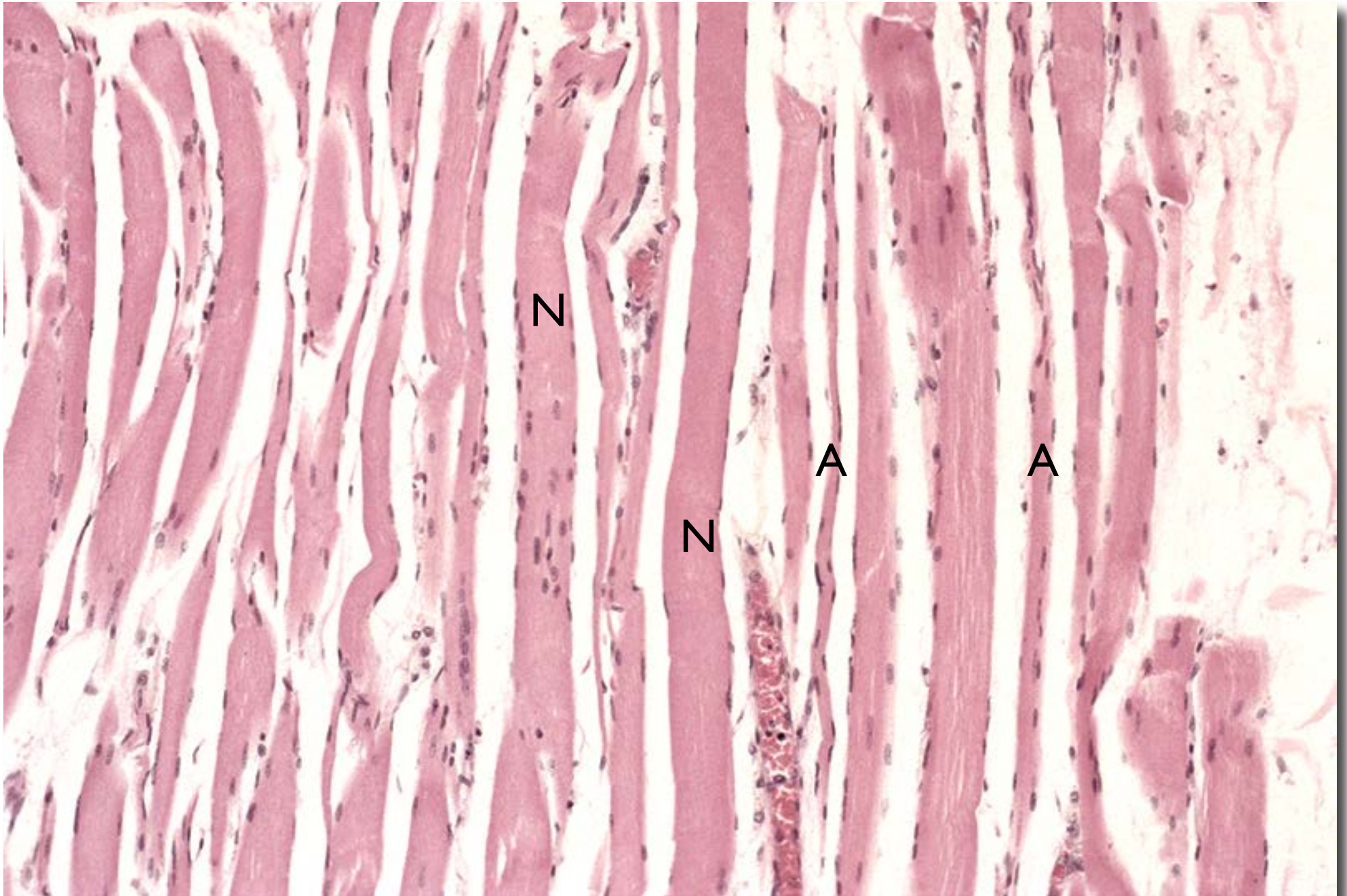
- Shrinkage in the size of the cell by loss of structural components

## Causes

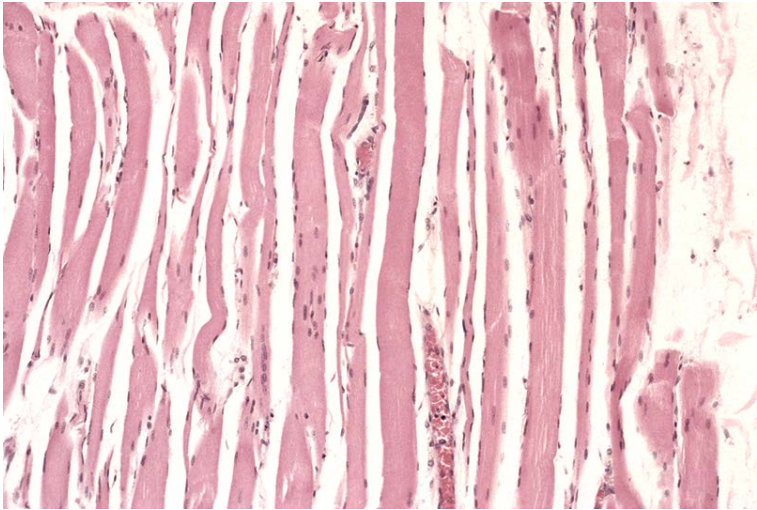
- Decreased work load
- Loss of innervation
- Diminished blood supply
- Inadequate nutrition
- Loss of endocrine stimulation
- Aging (most common cause)



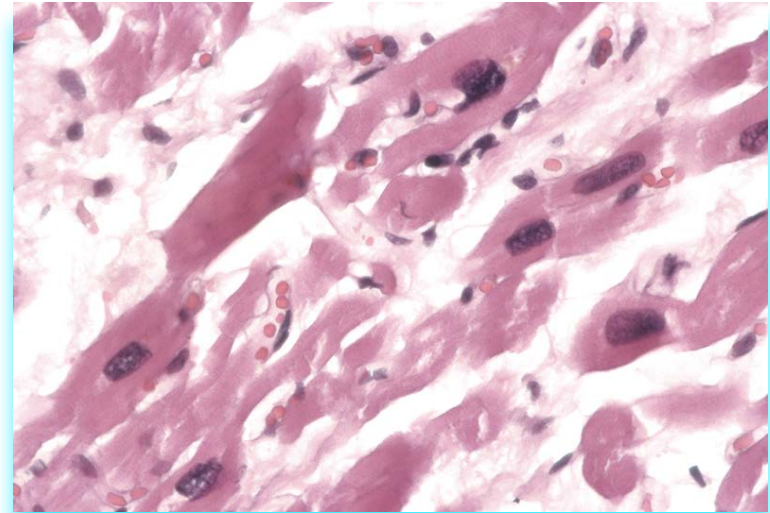
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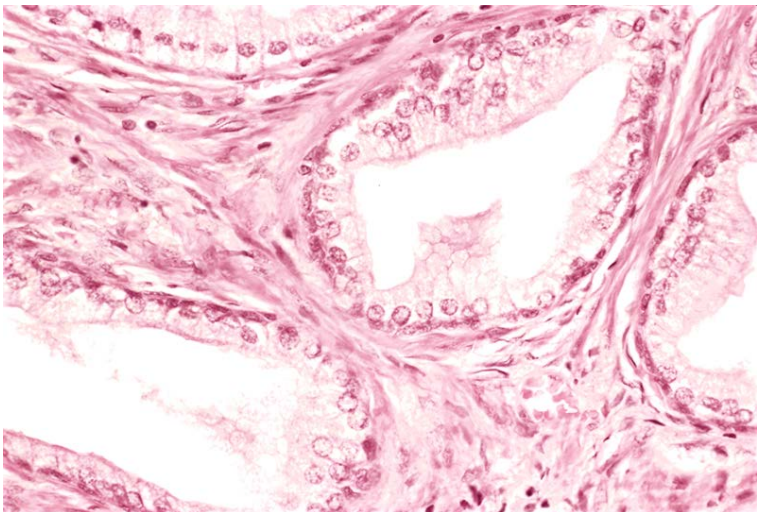
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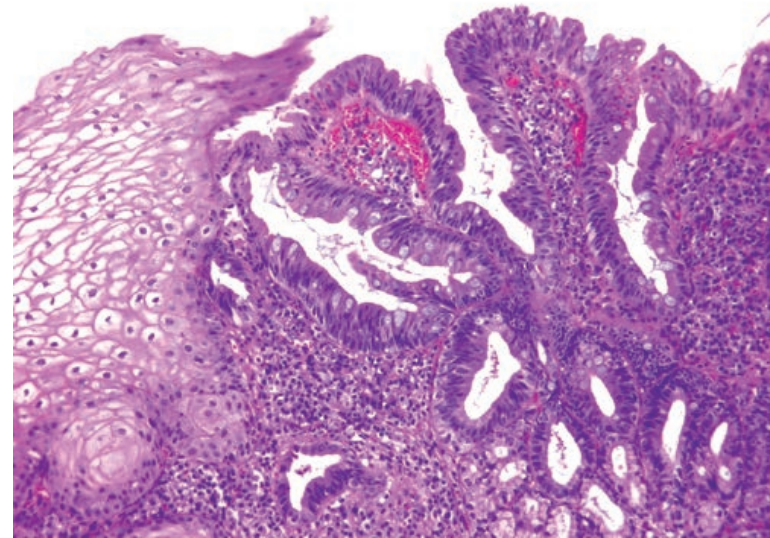
Atrophy



Hypertrophy



Hyperplasia



Metaplasia

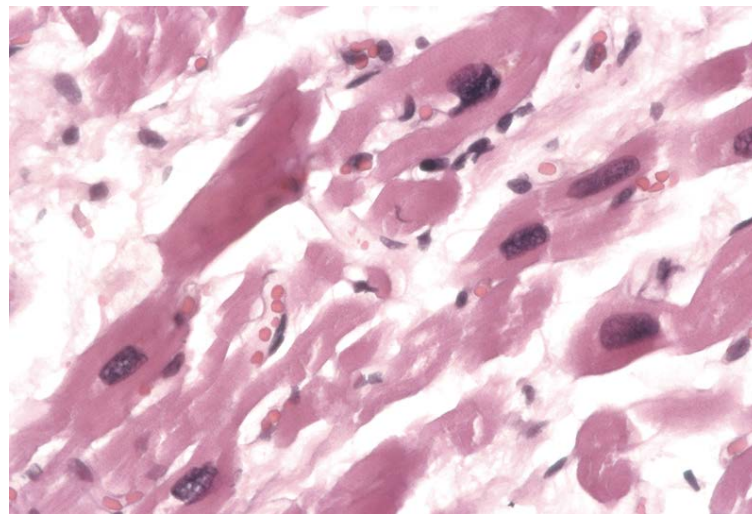
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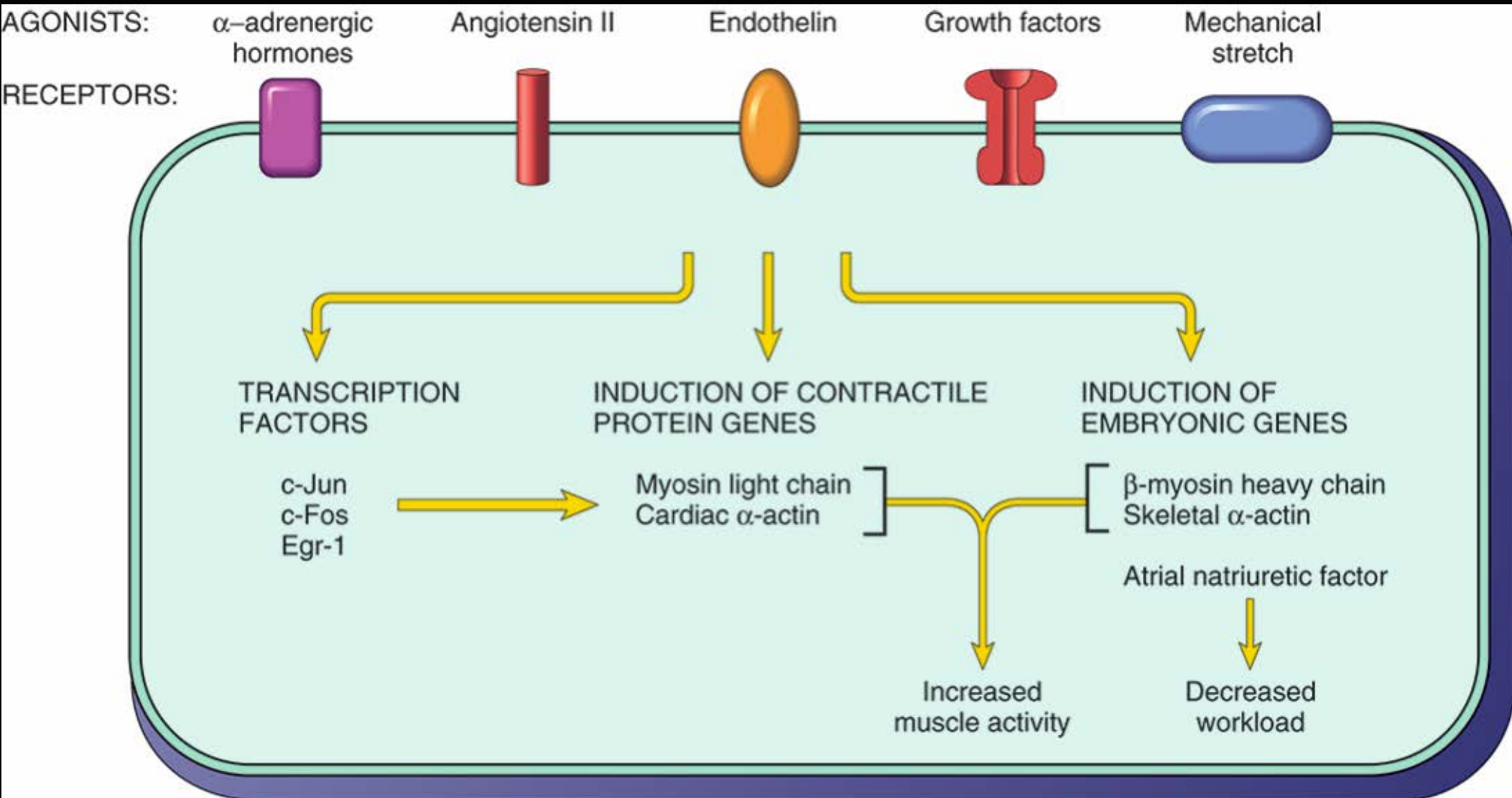
## Definition

- Increase in cell size due to the synthesis of more structural components

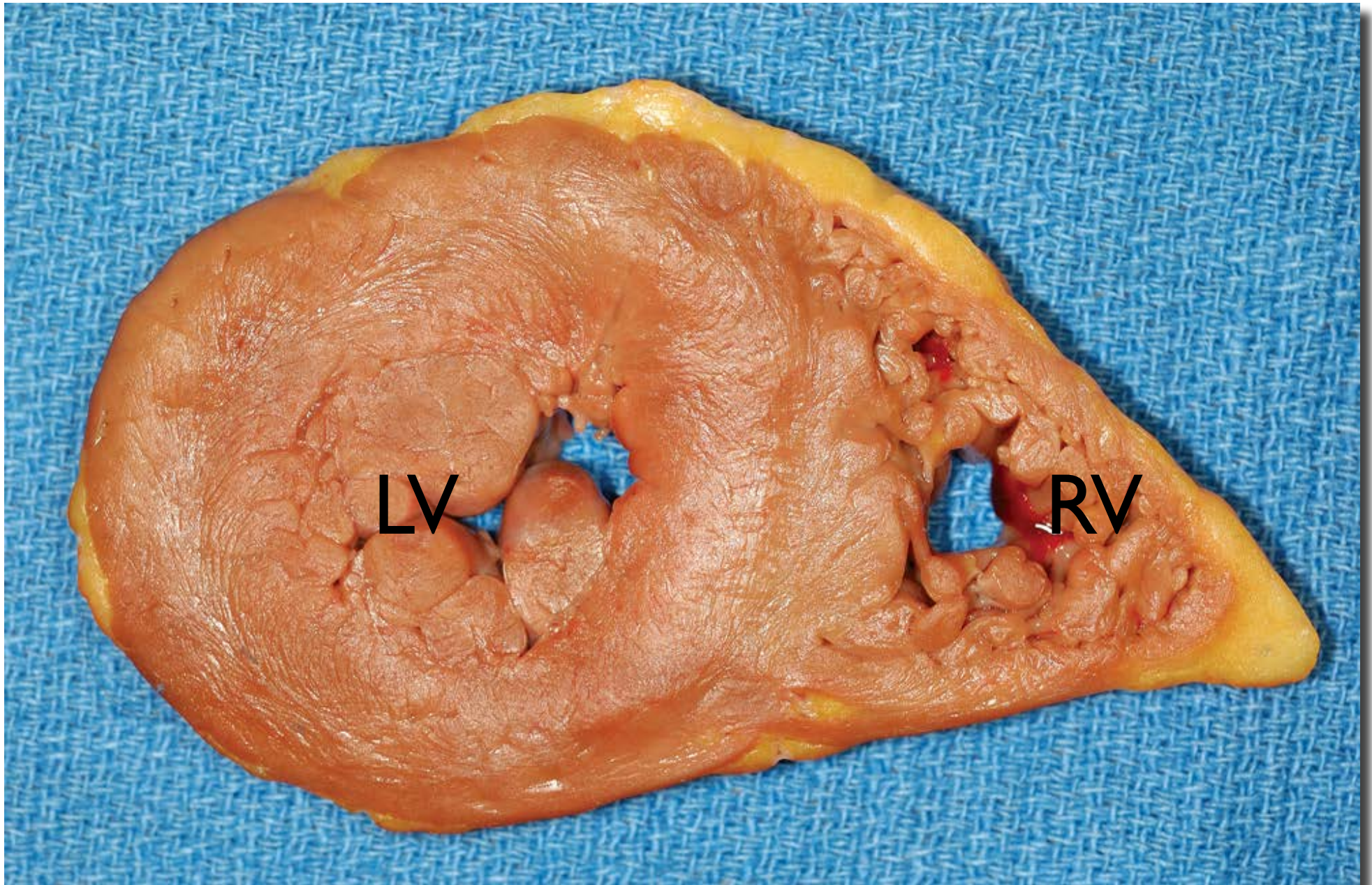
Physiologic - growth of uterus during pregnancy

Pathologic - left ventricular hypertrophy due to hypertension

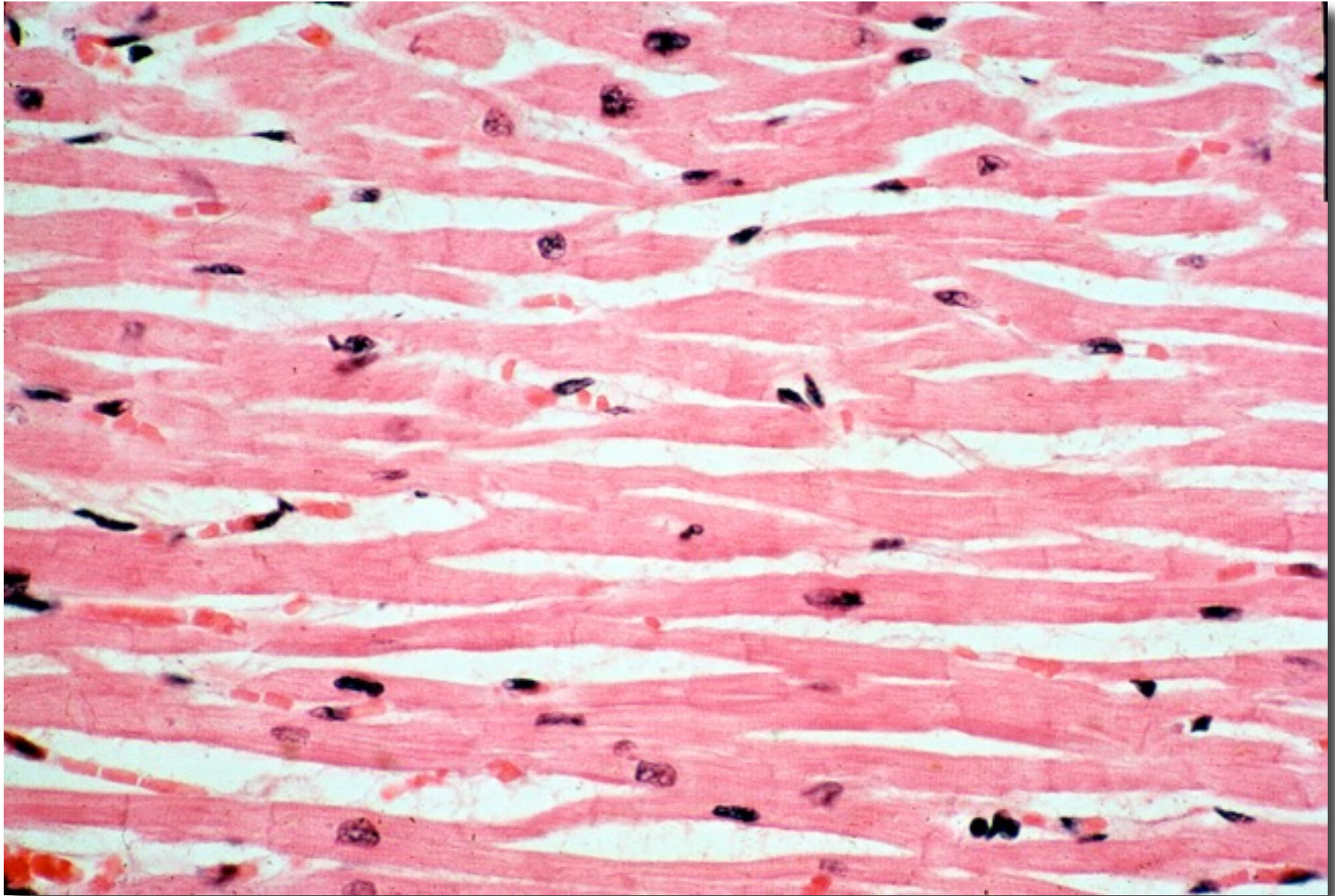




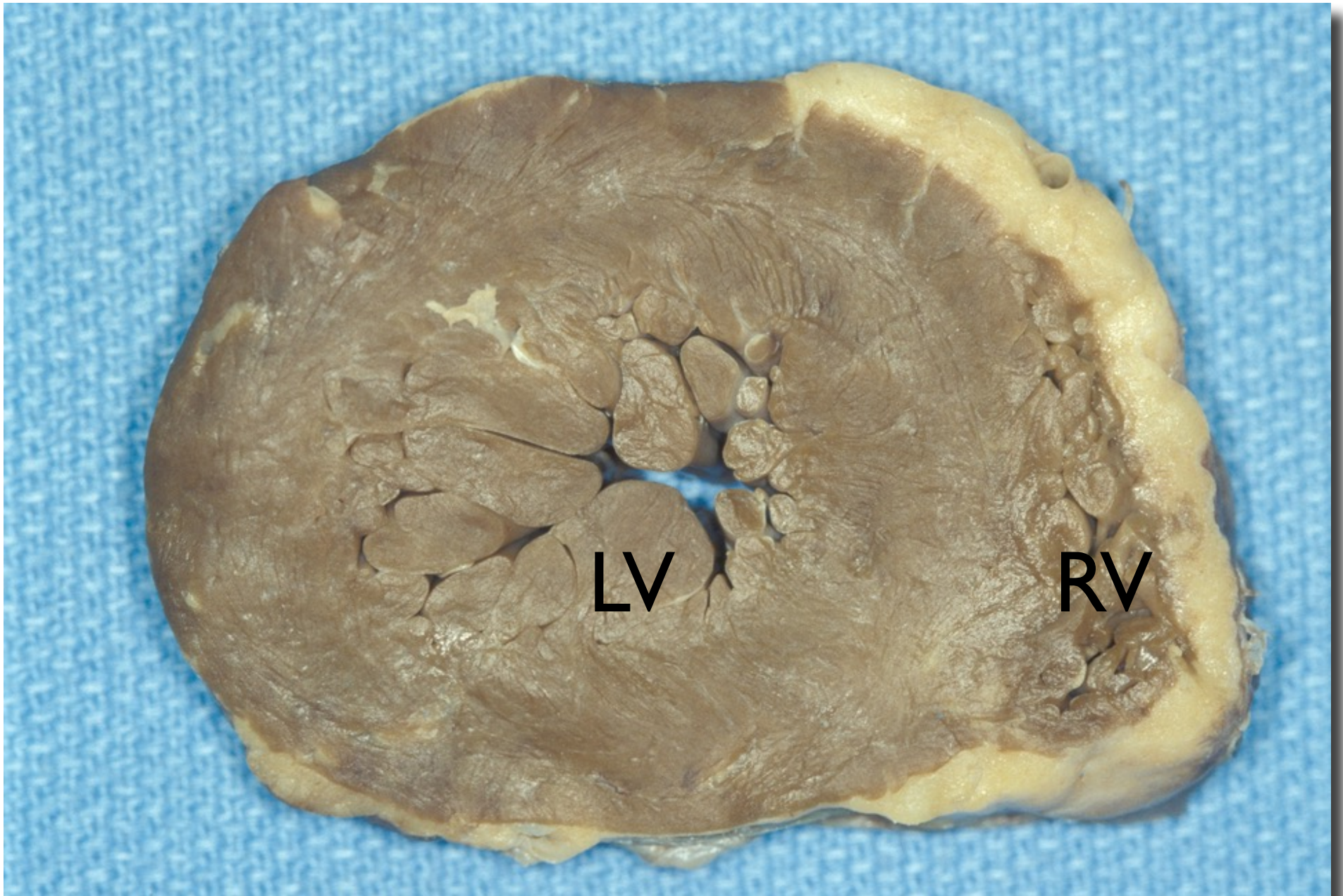
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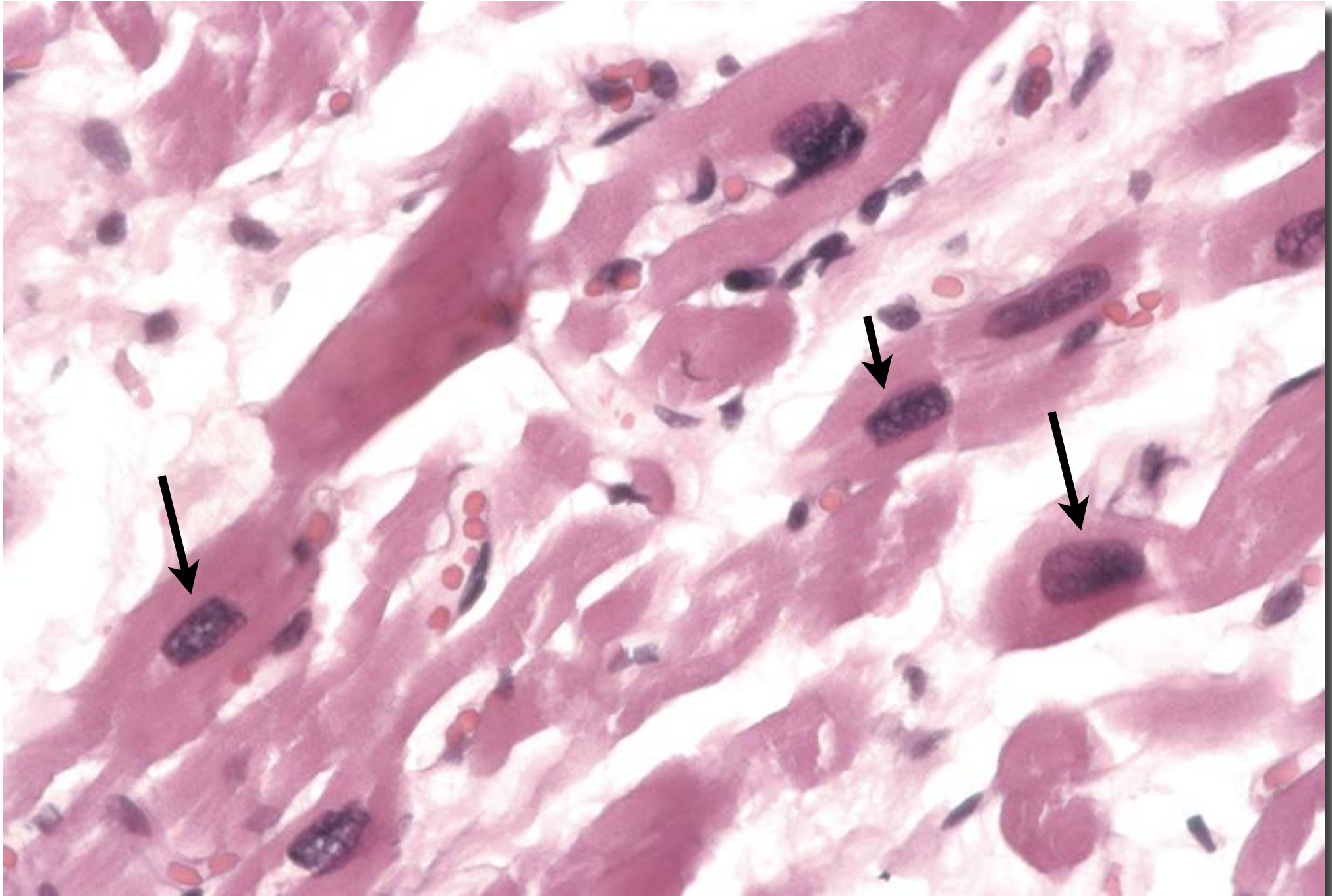
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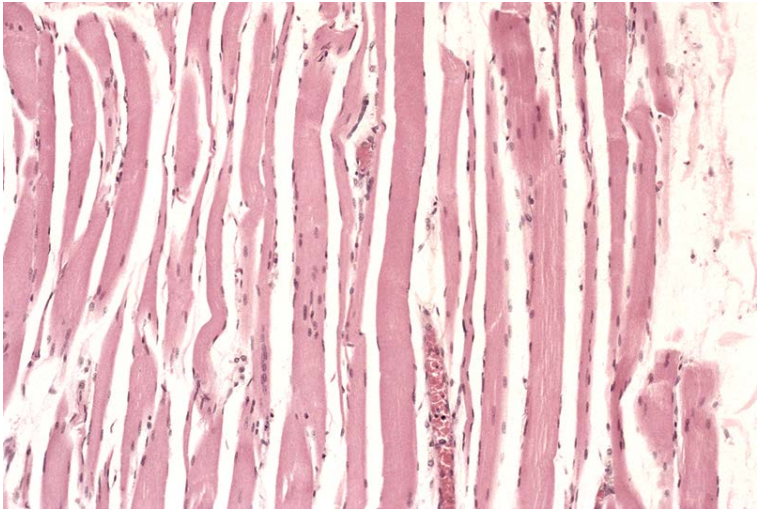
# Hypertensive Heart Disease



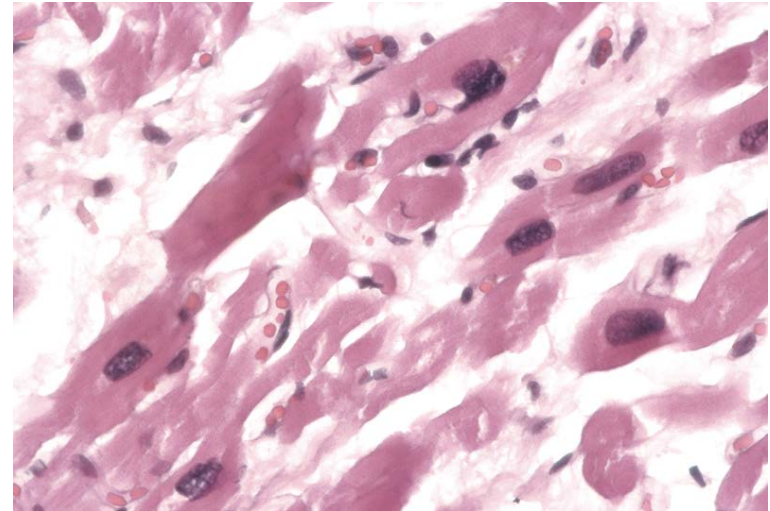
## Cardiac Myocyte Hyertrophy



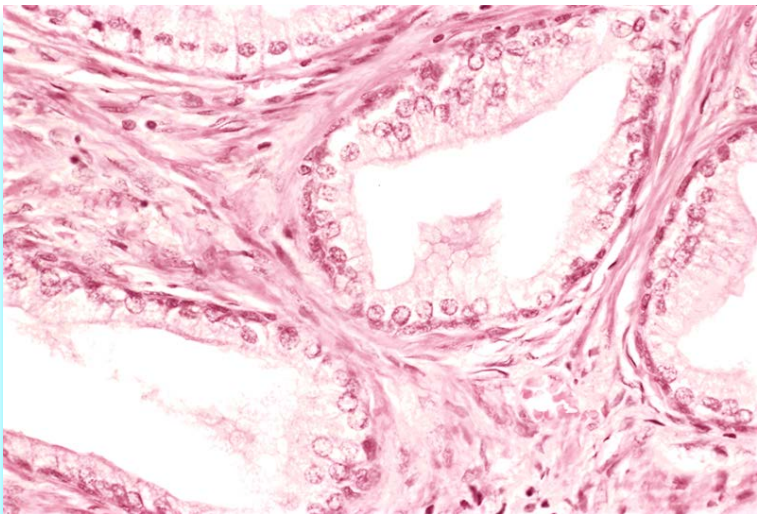
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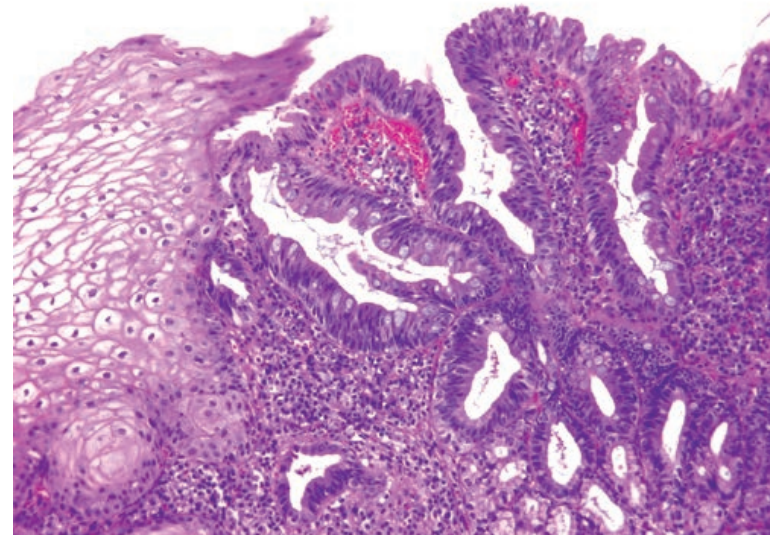
Atrophy



Hypertrophy



Hyperplasia



Metaplasia

# Hyperplasia

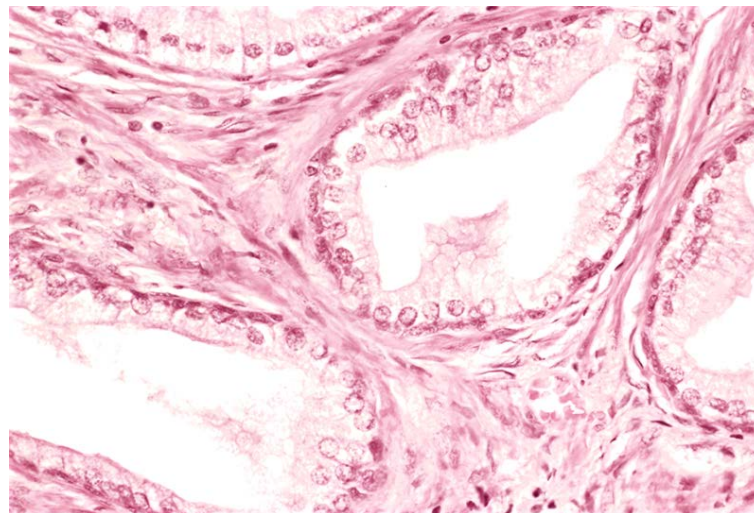
## Definition

- Increase in the number of cells

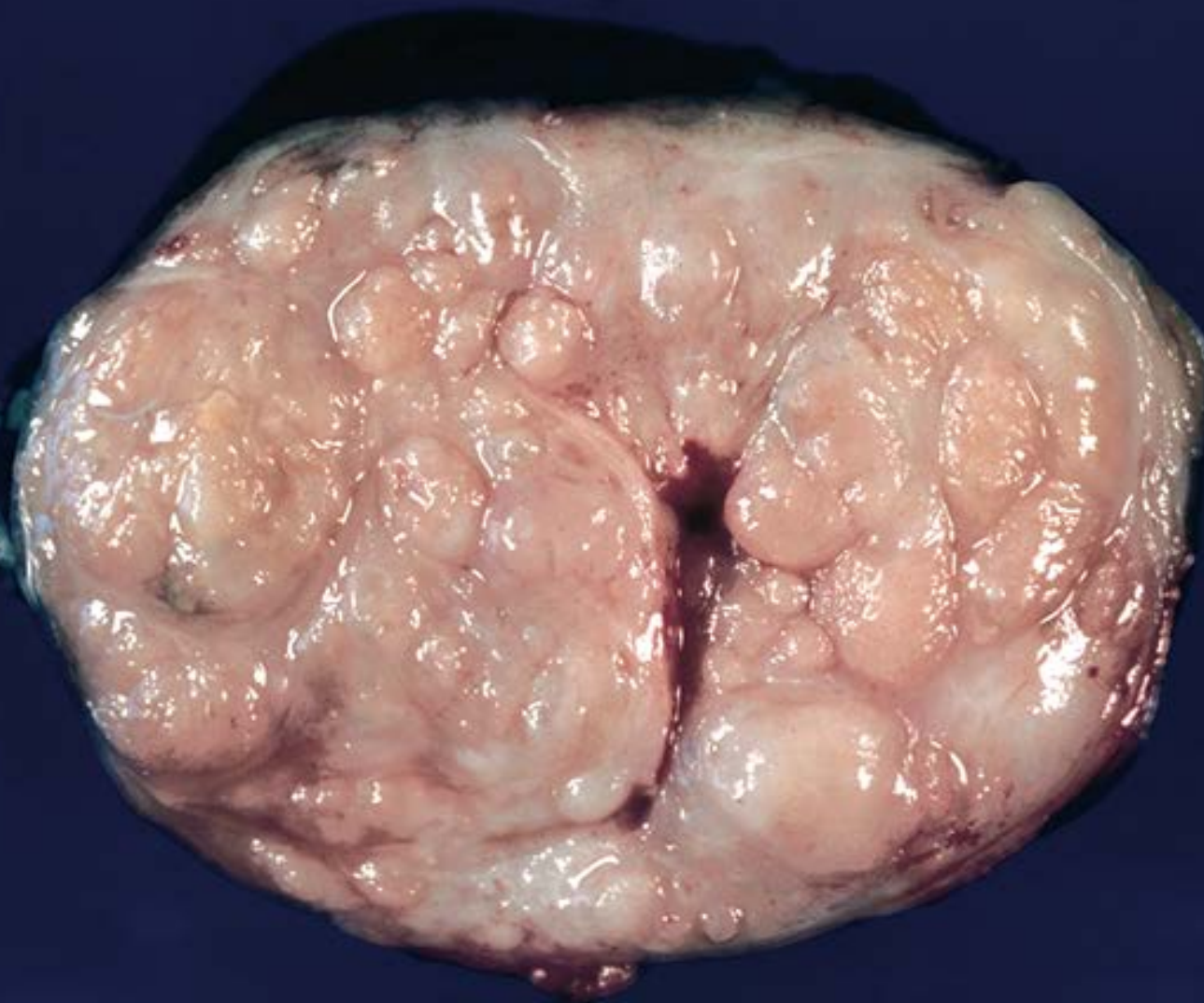
Hormonal hyperplasia - breast at puberty, or during pregnancy

Compensatory hyperplasia - regeneration of an organ or tissue

Pathologic - majority of pathologic hyperplasias are due to excessive hormonal stimulation, or the effects of growth factors on target cells (e.g., endometrial hyperplasia in a post-menopausal woman)

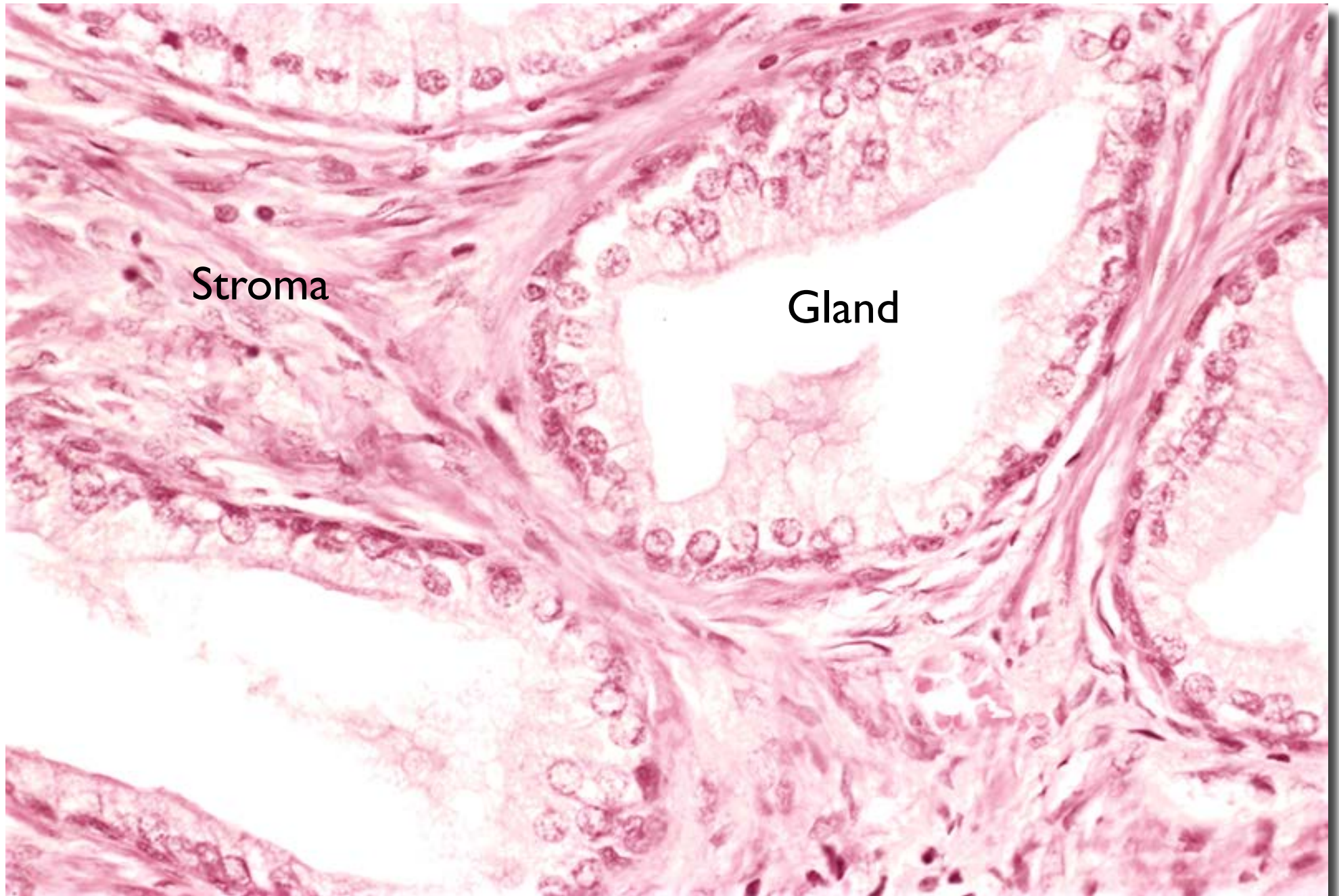


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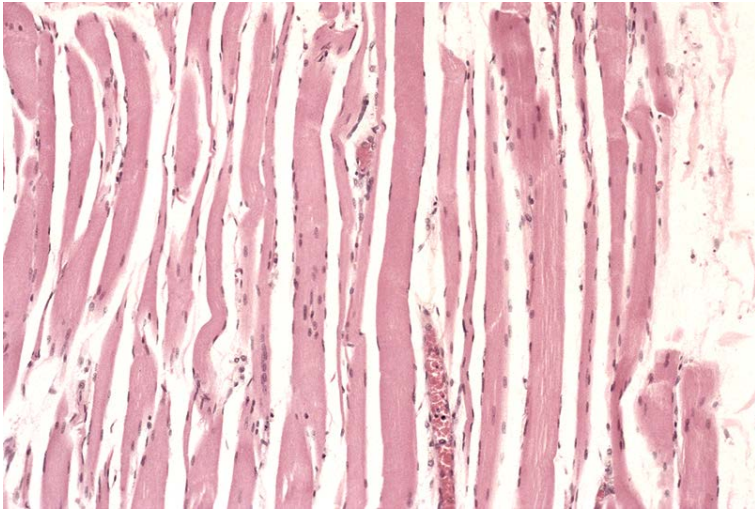


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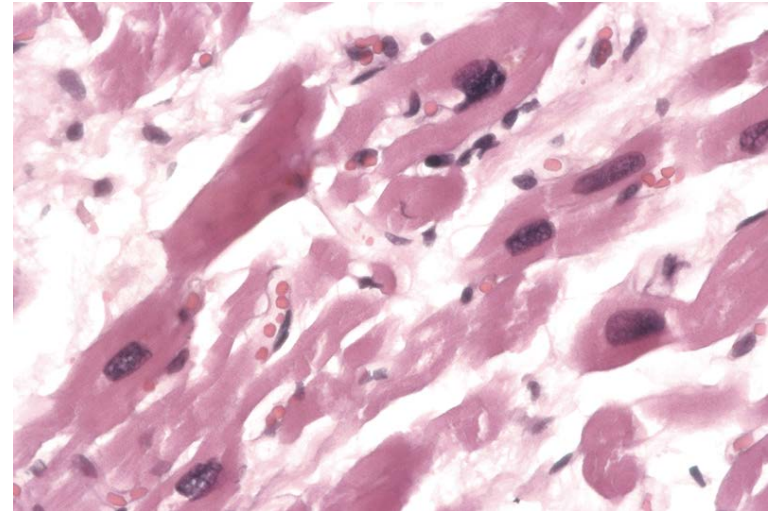
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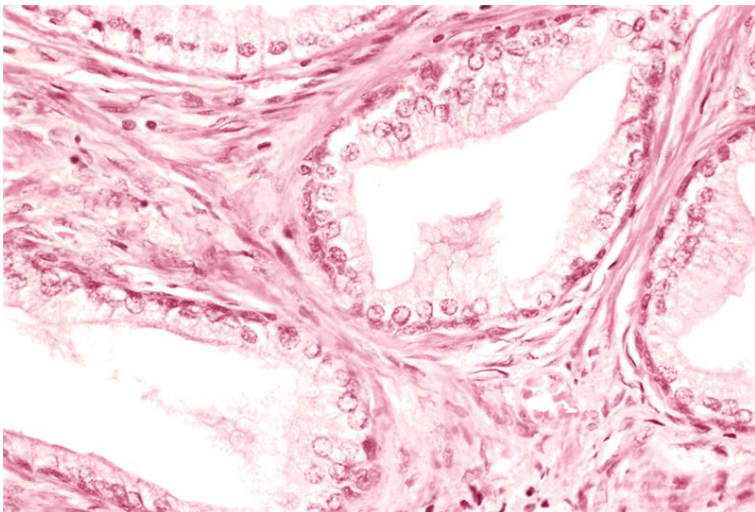
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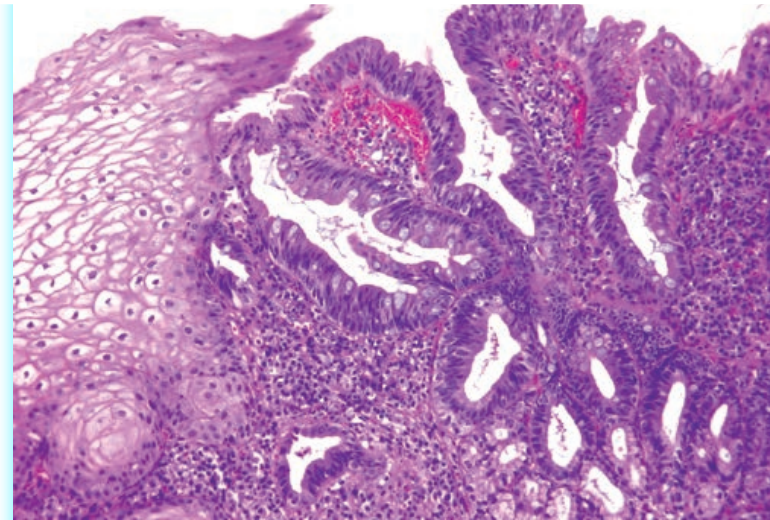
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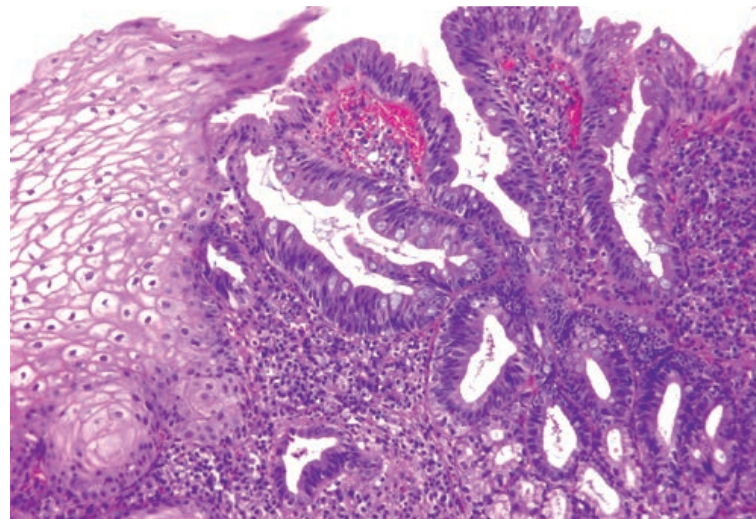
Metaplasia

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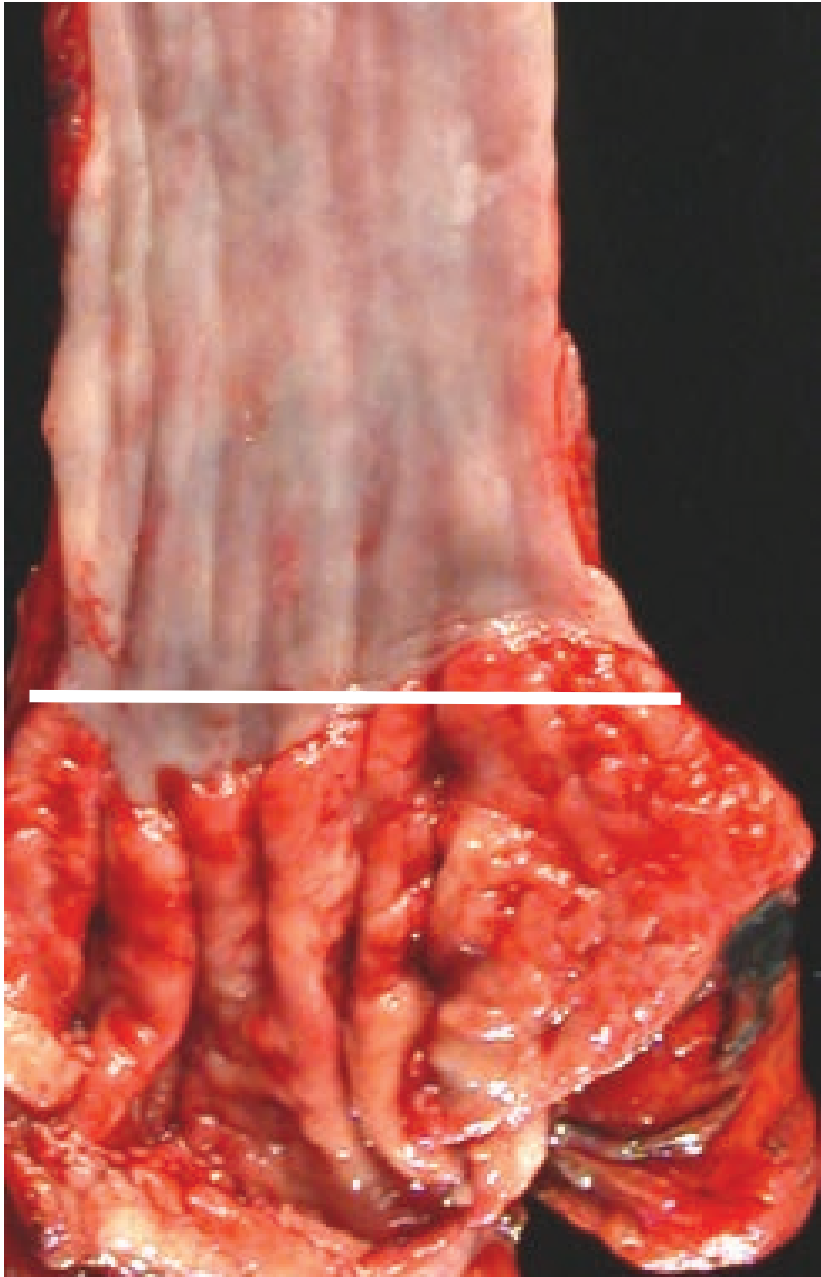
## Definition

- Reversible change in which an adult cell type is replaced by another adult cell type

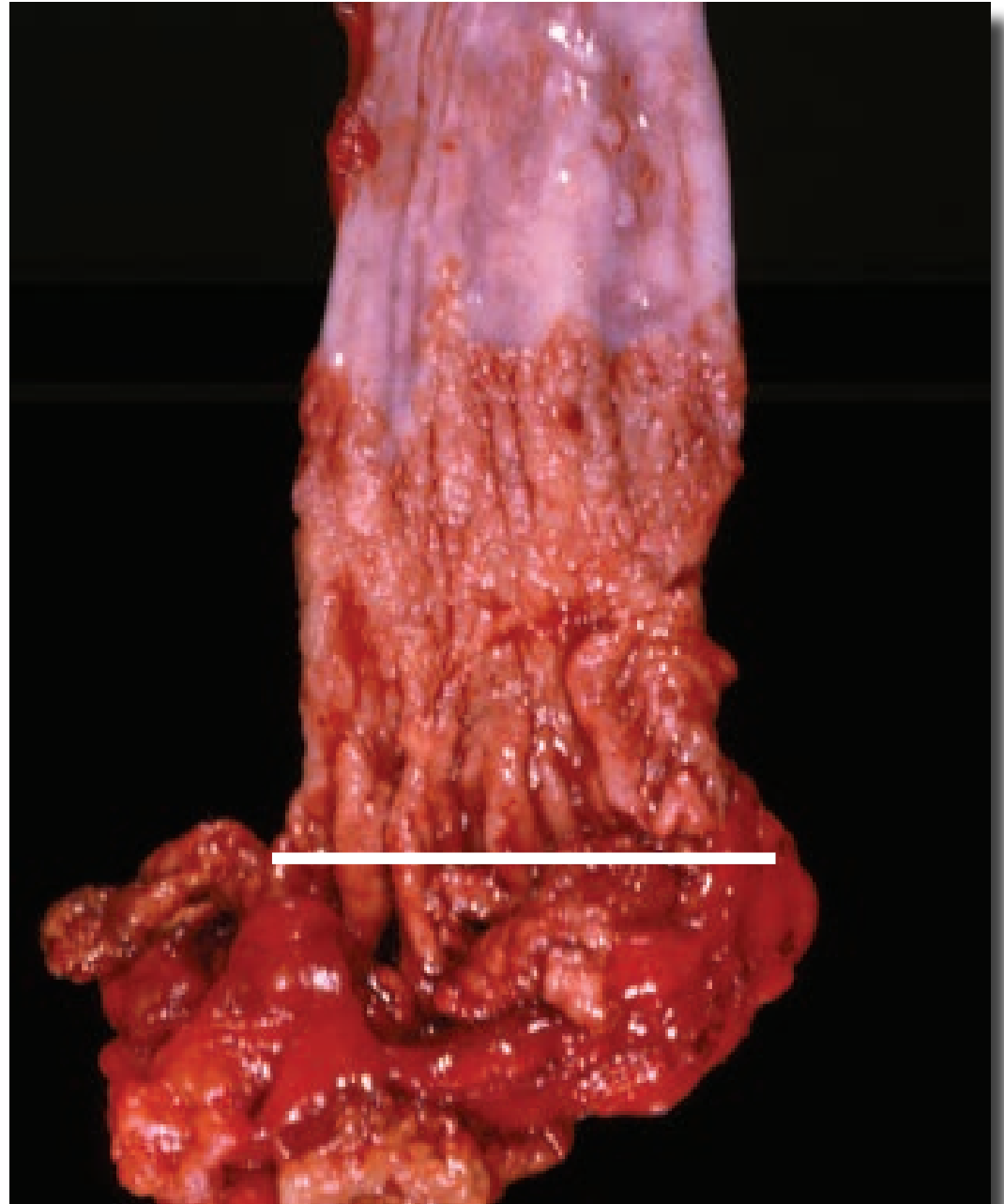
Examples: Barrett esophagus, squamous metaplasia in chronic bronchitis



# Normal Esophagus



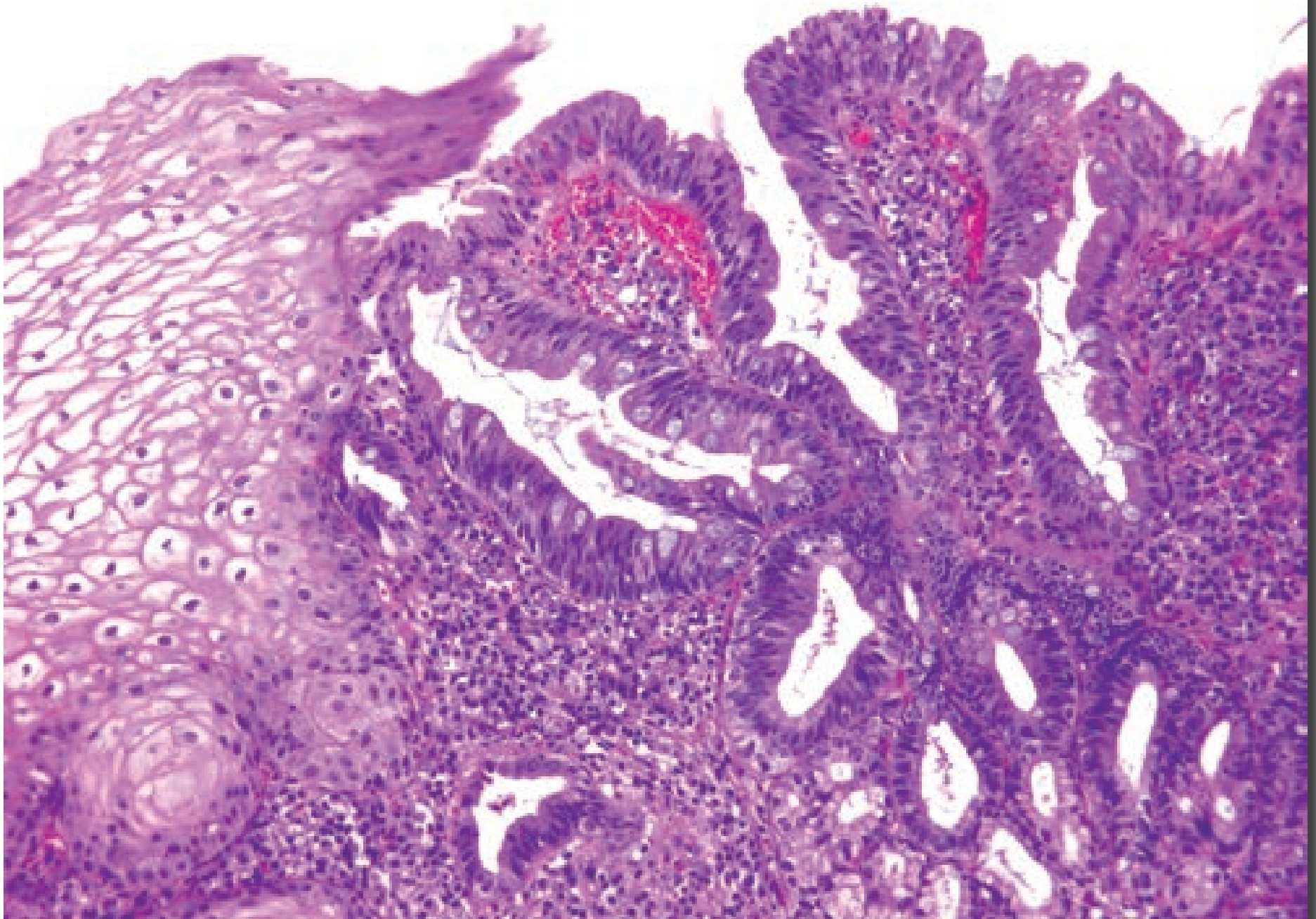
# Barrett Esophagus



# Barrett Esophagus

Squamous epithelium

Glandular epithelium

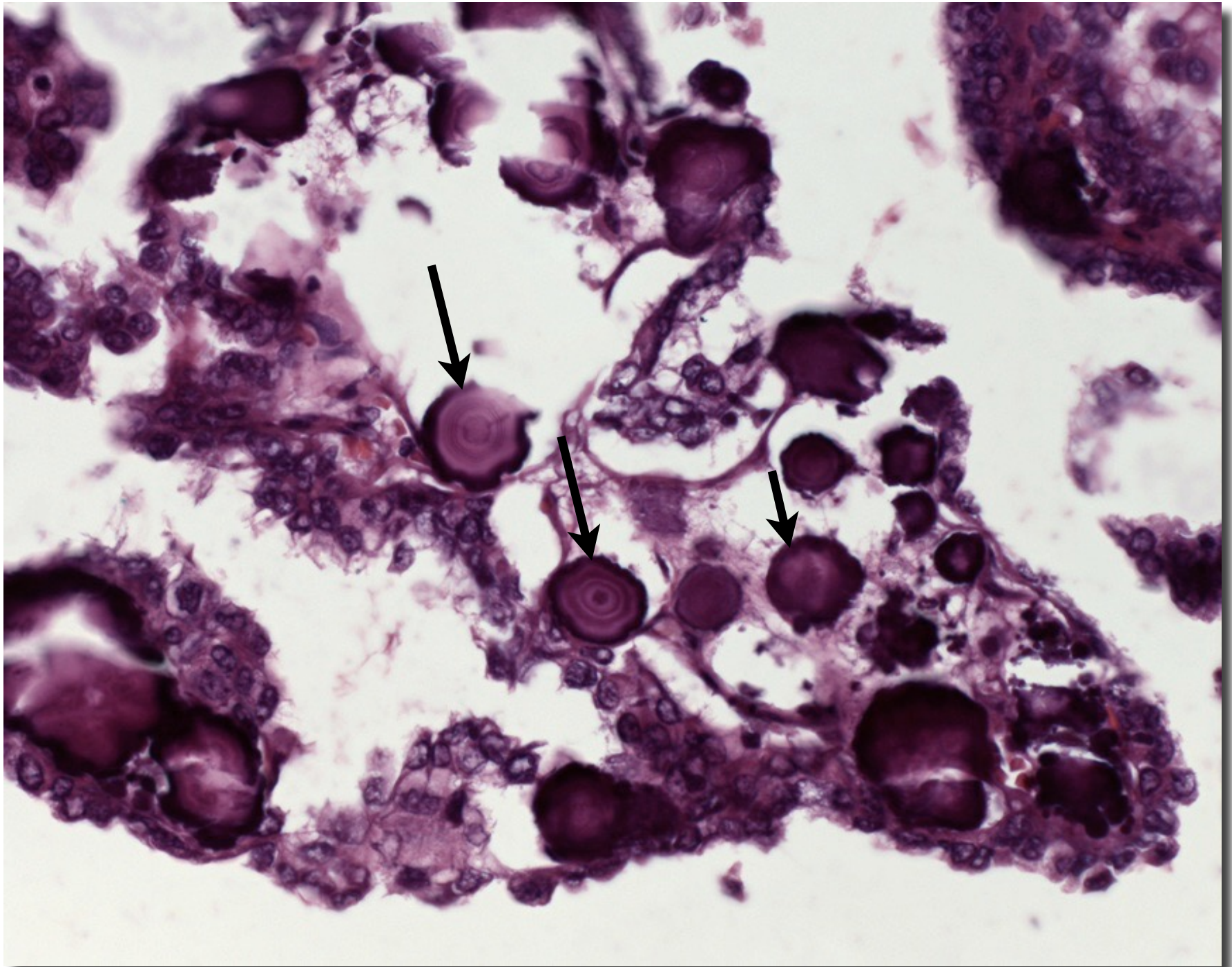


# Calcification

## Dystrophic calcification

- Deposition of calcium salts in nonviable or dying tissues
- Deposition can be intracellular, extracellular, or both
- Examples: Atherosclerosis, psammoma bodies (e.g., papillary carcinoma of the thyroid)

## Papillary Carcinoma of the Thyroid: Dystrophic Calcification

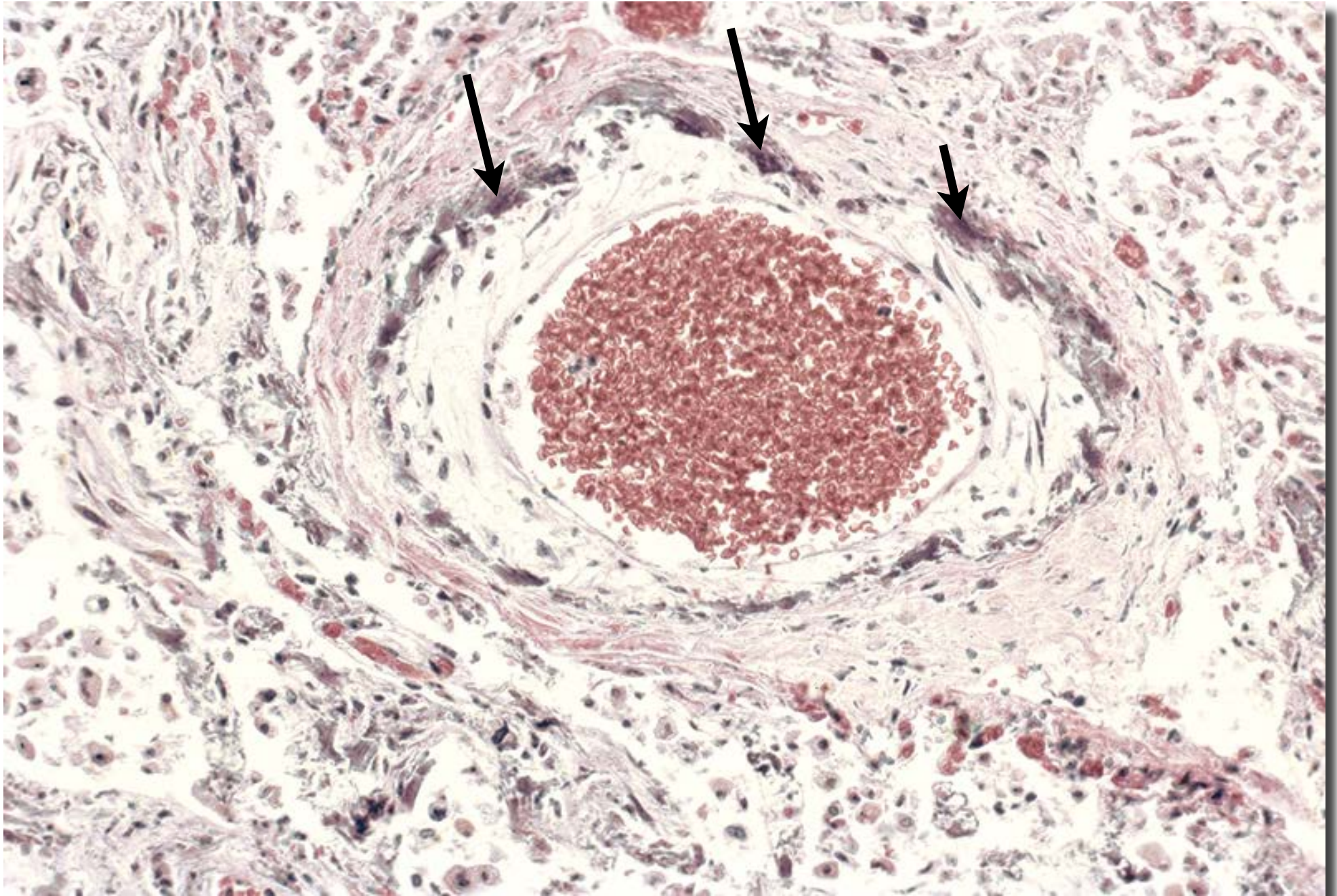


# Calcification

## Metastatic calcification

- Deposition of calcium in normal tissues due to hypercalcemia
- Causes: hyperparathyroidism, systemic sarcoidosis, etc.
- Primarily affects the interstitial tissues of blood vessels, kidneys, lungs and gastric mucosa

## Lung: Metastatic Calcification



# Hyaline Change

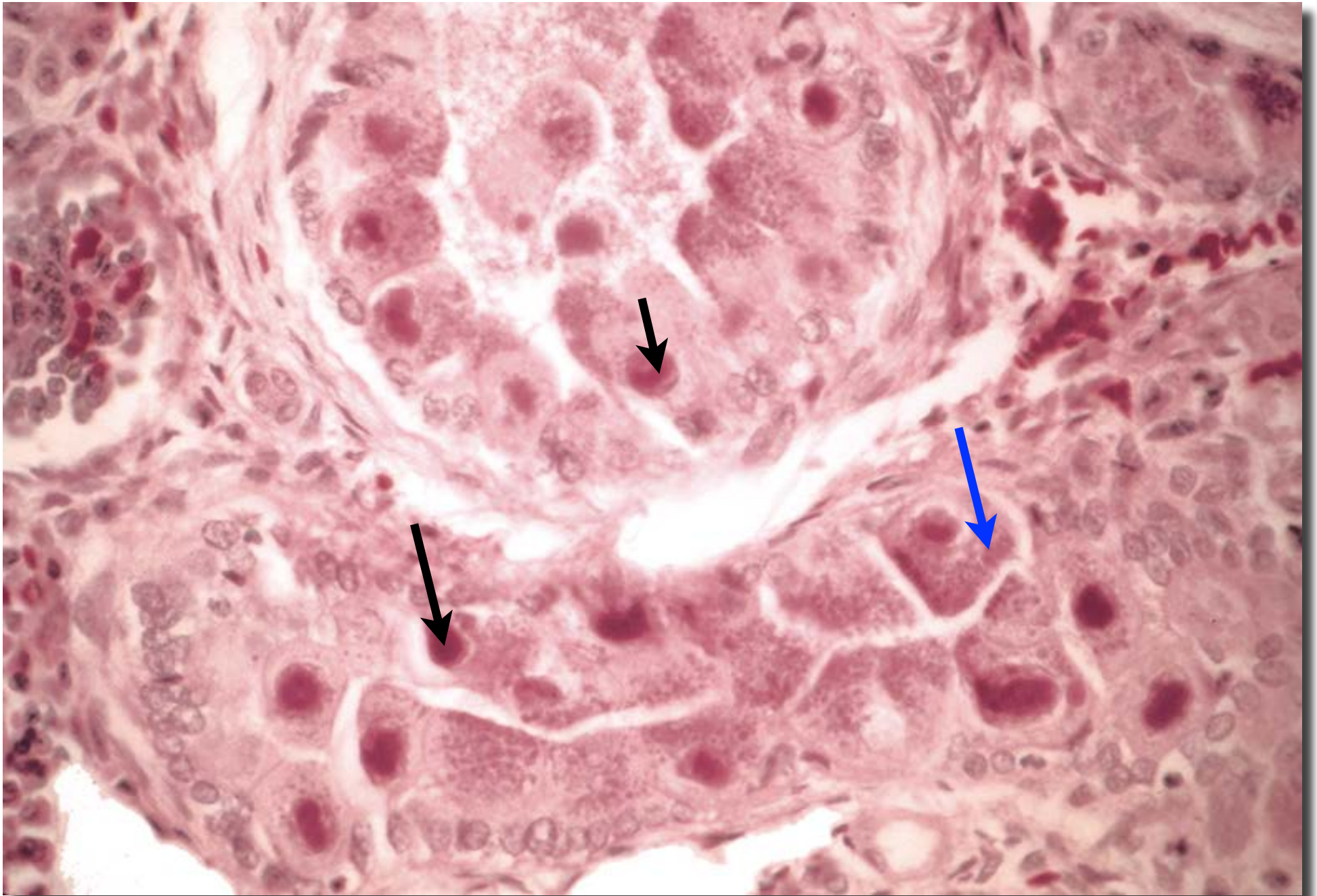
## Definition

Any alteration within cells, or in the extracellular space which gives a homogenous glassy, pink appearance in routine histologic sections stained with H&E

# Intracellular hyaline

- Hyaline droplets in proximal tubular epithelial cells
- Russell bodies in plasma cells
- Viral inclusions
- Alcoholic hyaline in hepatocytes

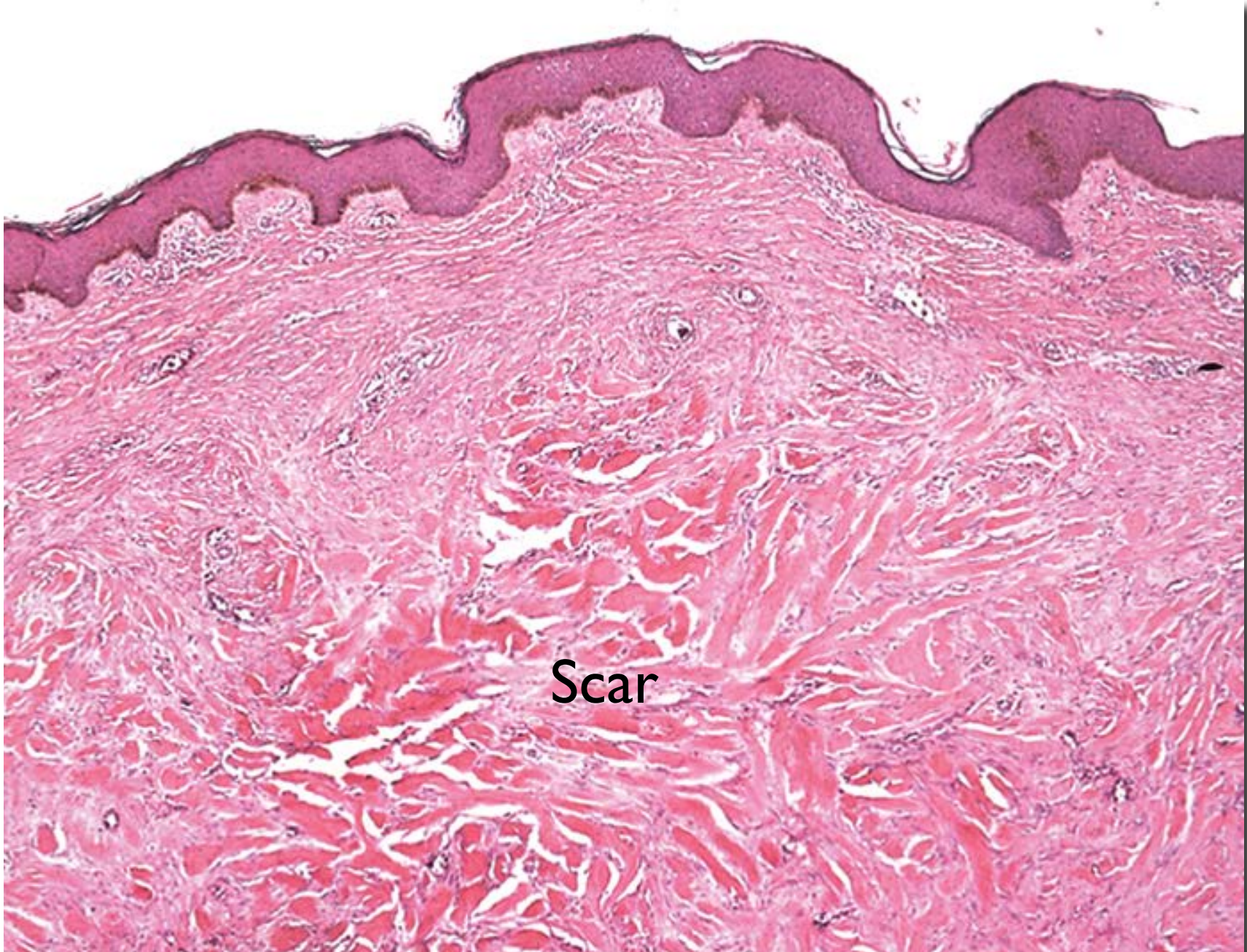
## Pediatric Kidney: Cytomegaloviral Inclusion Disease



# Extracellular hyaline

- Amyloidosis
- Arteriolosclerosis in hypertension, diabetes and aging
- Hyalinization of glomeruli with chronic damage

# Skin with Scar



# Summary

- Increased demand, stress or injurious stimulus can lead to individual cell death (apoptosis), tissue death (necrosis) and/or cellular adaptations
- Other cellular and tissue changes includes calcifications and hyaline changes