
[Gianotti-Crosti syndrome due to a mixed infection produced by the mumps virus and the parainfluenza virus type 2]

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Cell proliferation in skin tumors with ductal differentiation: patterns and diagnostic applications.
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The kinetic features of skin tumors with ductal differentiation (TDD) remain mainly unknown. We selected 88 skin TDD (D-PAS-positive cuticles) classified according to Murphy and Elder's criteria. Tumors studied included 13 poromas, 12 nodular hidradenomas, 10 cylindromas, 6 spiradenomas, 9 syringomas, 9 chondroid syringomas, 7 porocarcinomas, 15 malignant nodular hidradenomas, and 7 not otherwise specified carcinomas. The same tumor areas were evaluated for mitotic figure counting (MFC) and proliferation rate (PR = MIB-1 index), screening 10 consecutive high-power fields (HPFs) in the most cellular areas. Results were recorded by HPF and tumor cellularity, considering both average and standard deviation. Differences were analyzed by Student's t-test and analysis of variance (ANOVA) and considered significant if p<0.05. PR was significantly higher in malignant (23.29 +/- 12.49) than in benign tumors (3.86 +/- 4.44) and in poromanodular hidradenoma (4.99 +/- 3.34) than in spiradenoma-cylindroma-syringoma (1.91 +/- 1.67), but not by malignant tumor type. MFC was significantly higher in malignant (25.52 +/- 4.10) than in benign tumors (1.57 +/- 0.38), showing porocarcinomas the biggest MFC/10 HPF and malignant nodular hidradenomas the highest MFC/1000 cells. PR and MFC are useful malignancy criteria in skin TDD and should be evaluated by tumor cellularity to avoid potential misinterpretations related with tumor heterogeneity.
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Tumor screening and biology in malignant melanomas.
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Critical analysis of histologic criteria for grading atypical (dysplastic) melanocytic nevi.

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Low concordance in grading atypical melanocytic nevus (AMN) has been reported, and no systematic evaluation is available. We studied 123 AMN with architectural and cytologic atypia (40 associated with atypical-mole syndrome), classified according to standard criteria by 3 independent observers. Histologic variables included junctional and dermal symmetry, lateral extension, cohesion and migration of epidermal melanocytes, maturation, regression, nuclear features, nuclear grade, melanin, inflammatory infiltrate location, and fibroplasia. AMN (43 junctional and 80 compound) were graded mild (31), moderate (61), and severe (31). AMN-severe correlated with 3 or more nuclear abnormalities (especially pleomorphism, heterogeneous chromatin, and prominent nucleolus) and absence of regression, mixed junctional pattern, and suprabasilar melanocytes on top of lentiginous hyperplasia. AMN-severe diagnostic accuracy was 99.5% using these criteria, but only the absence of nuclear pleomorphism differentiated AMN-mild from AMN-moderate. No architectural features distinguishing AMN-mild from AMN-moderate were selected as significant by the discriminant analysis. AMN from atypical-mole syndrome revealed subtle architectural differences, but none were statistically significant in the discriminant analysis. Histologic criteria can reliably distinguish AMN-severe but fail to differentiate AMN-mild from AMN-moderate. AMN from atypical-mole syndrome cannot be diagnosed using pathologic criteria alone.

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Multilobated abdominal nodule.

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Malignant deep sclerosing blue naevus presenting as a
Malignant deep sclerosing blue naevus presenting as a subcutaneous soft tissue mass.

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Trichogerminoma: further evidence to support a specific follicular neoplasm.

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Colonization of epithelial pilar neoplasms by melanocytes.

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Differential kinetic features by tumour topography in cutaneous small-cell neuroendocrine (Merkel cell) carcinomas.

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BACKGROUND/OBJECTIVES: Merkel cell carcinomas (MCC) reveal epithelial and neuroendocrine differentiation, but its topographic cell kinetics remains unknown. This study analyses proliferation, apoptosis, and DNA ploidy by topography, features that can help planning therapeutic protocols. This study topographically analyses proliferation, apoptosis, and DNA ploidy. METHODS: We selected 27 small-cell MCCs (expressing one epithelial and two neural markers, with consistent ultrastructural findings) to evaluate mitotic figure counting, Ki-67 index, apoptosis index based on the in situ end labelling of fragmented DNA (using Escherichia coli DNA polymerase I, Klenow fragment), DNA ploidy, and BCL2 and TP53 immuno-expression. At least 50 high-power fields were screened per topographic compartment (superficial or papillary dermis, and deep or reticular dermis), recording average and standard deviation for each variable. Variables were statistically compared in each tumour compartment using analysis of variance and Student's t-test (significant if P < 0.05). RESULTS: MCCs revealed superficial aneuploid DNA content, and no topographic differences for proliferation markers. Apoptosis showed significantly lower values in the deep compartment (average, P = 0.0050, and standard deviation, P = 0.0074), correlating with increased BCL2 and TP53 immuno-expressions. CONCLUSIONS: High homogeneously distributed proliferation and superficial aneuploid DNA content defines MCCs. Apoptosis follows proliferation in superficial compartments, being less variable and proliferation independent in deep compartments, where it is inversely correlated with BCL2/TP53 expression.

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The correlation of regression with the grade of dysplasia (atypia) in melanocytic naevi.

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Trichilemmal carcinoma with neuroendocrine differentiation.

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We report a 12-mm nodular, cream-coloured skin lesion that appeared on the left nasal ala in an 81-year-old man. This trabecular infiltrative tumour showed keratin microcysts, stromal hyalization, cytoarchitectural malignancy features, colonizing melanocytes, and immunoexpression of epithelial membrane antigen, cytokeratin 15/20, chromogranin, synaptophysin and CD56. To our knowledge, this is the first documented case of a trichilemmal carcinoma with neuroendocrine differentiation and melanocyte colonization, which is suggested by the trabecular growth pattern and requires immunohistochemical confirmation. The colonization of the epithelial nests by nonatypical dendritic or spindle melanocytes is a clue to morphological recognition of pilar neoplasms, along with the presence of stromal induction (CD34-positive peritumoral spindle cells), catagen-like apoptotic bodies, calcifications, keratin microcysts and cell balls.

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Dermoscopy of trichostasis spinulosa.

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