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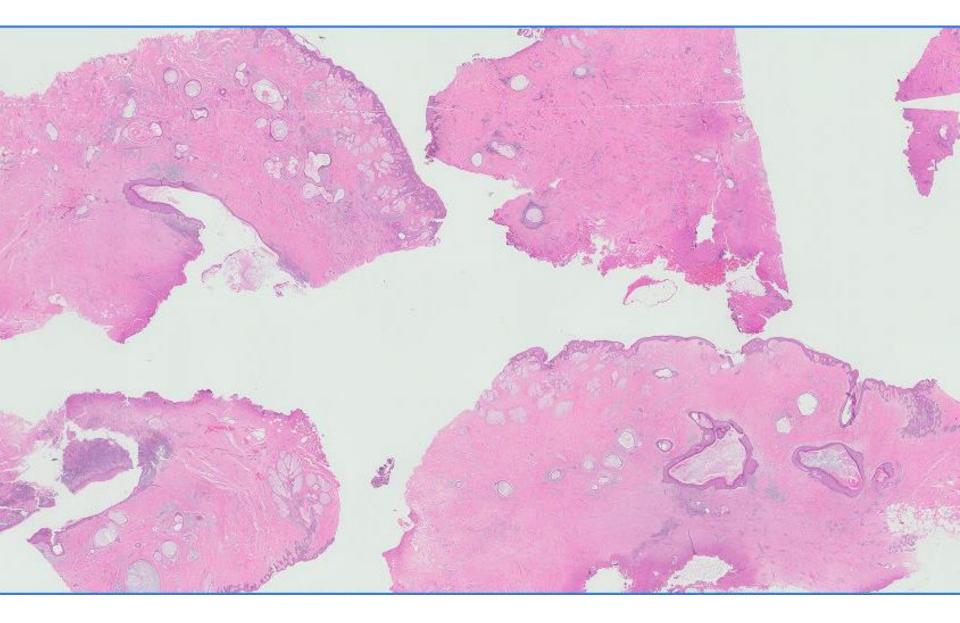
43 year old woman presented with a left nipple-areolar lump. An excision biopsy was performed after a fine needle aspiration and core biopsy revealed atypical cells.

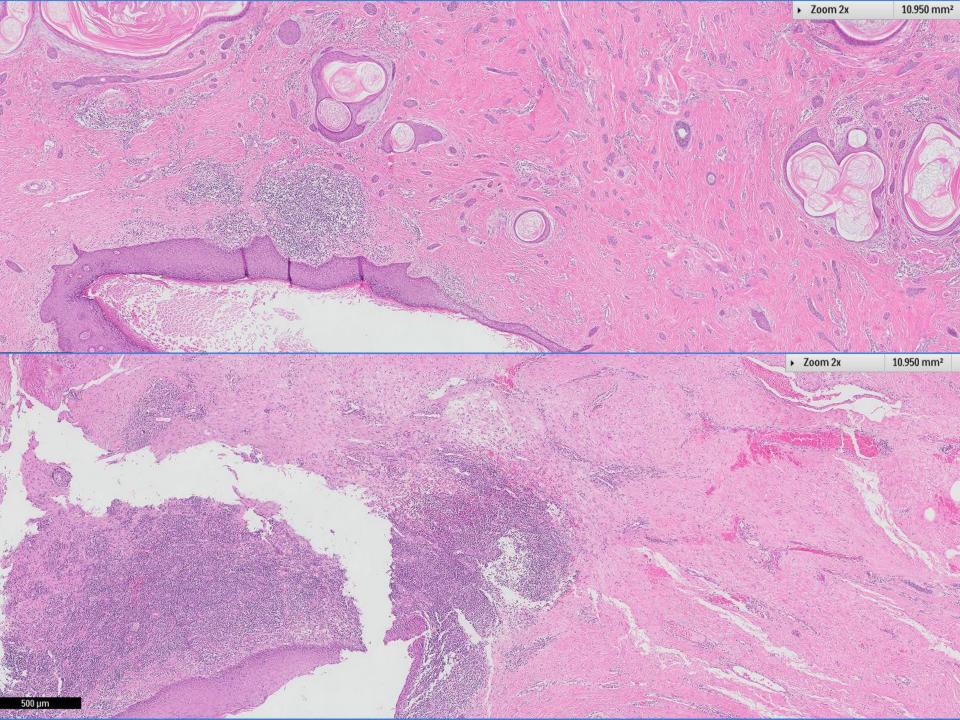


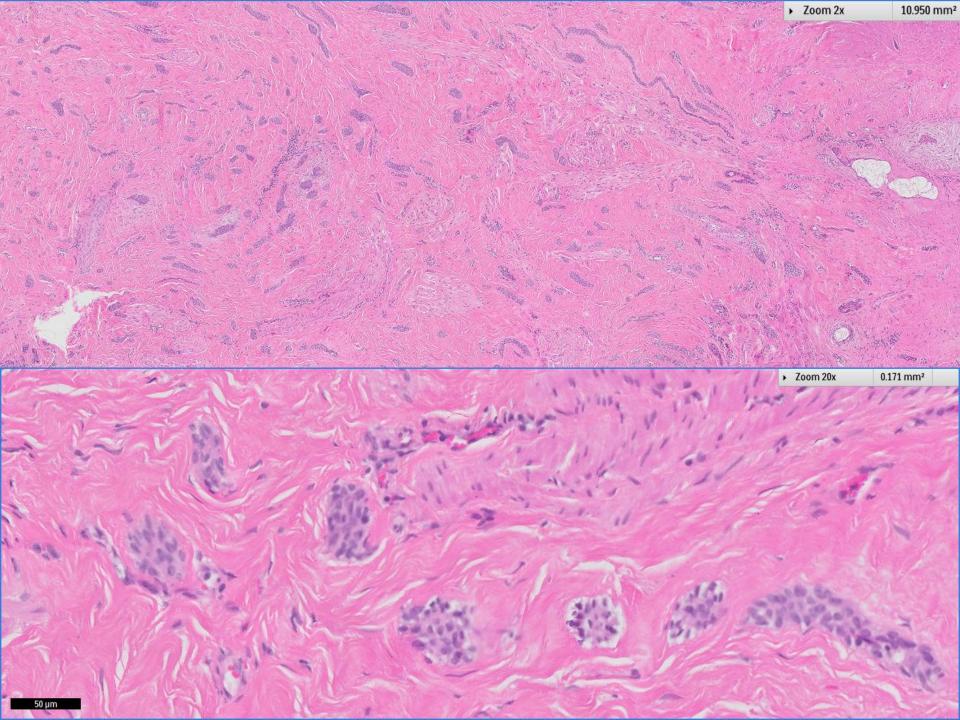


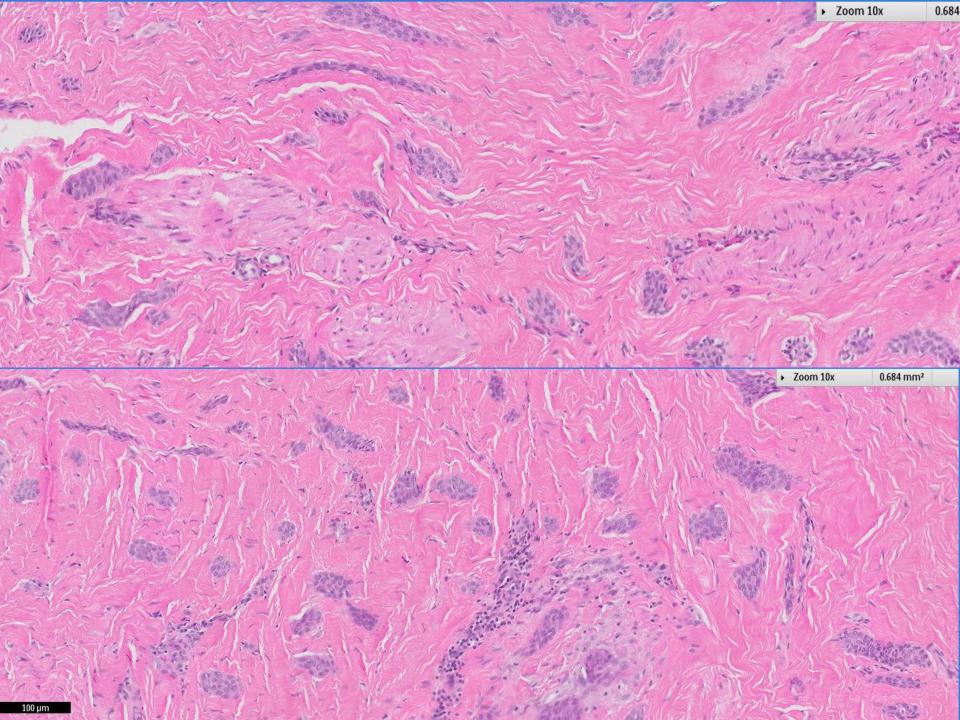
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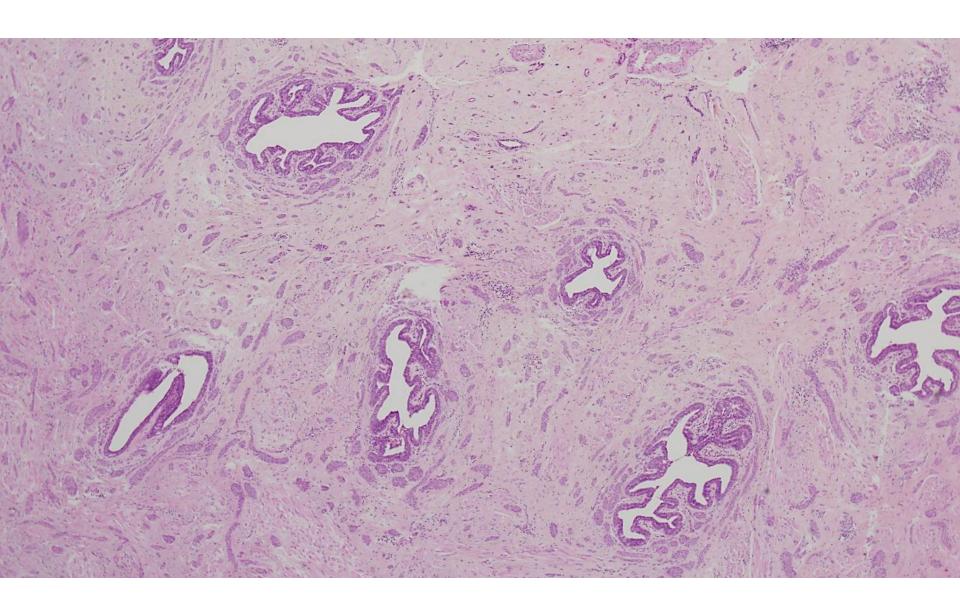


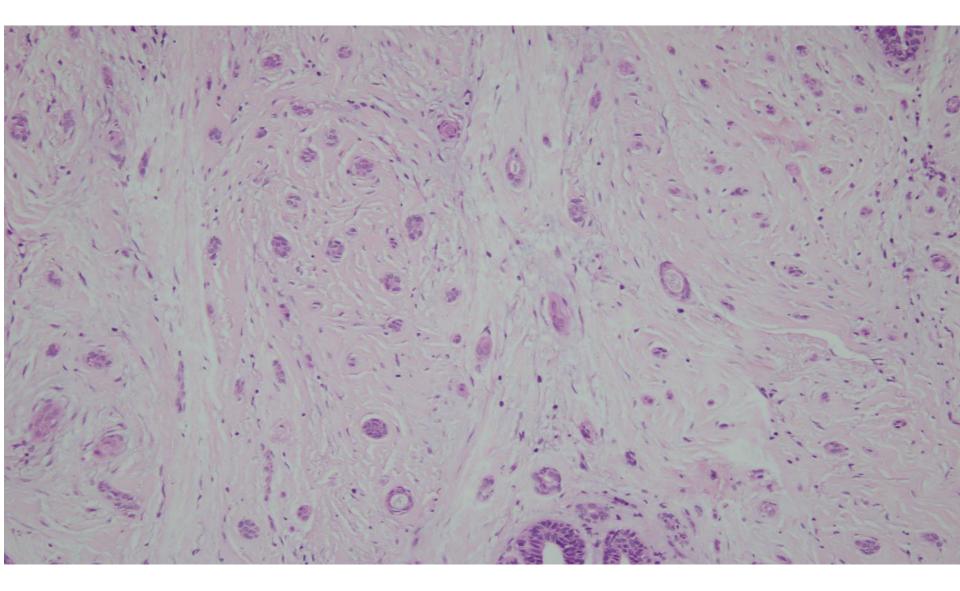


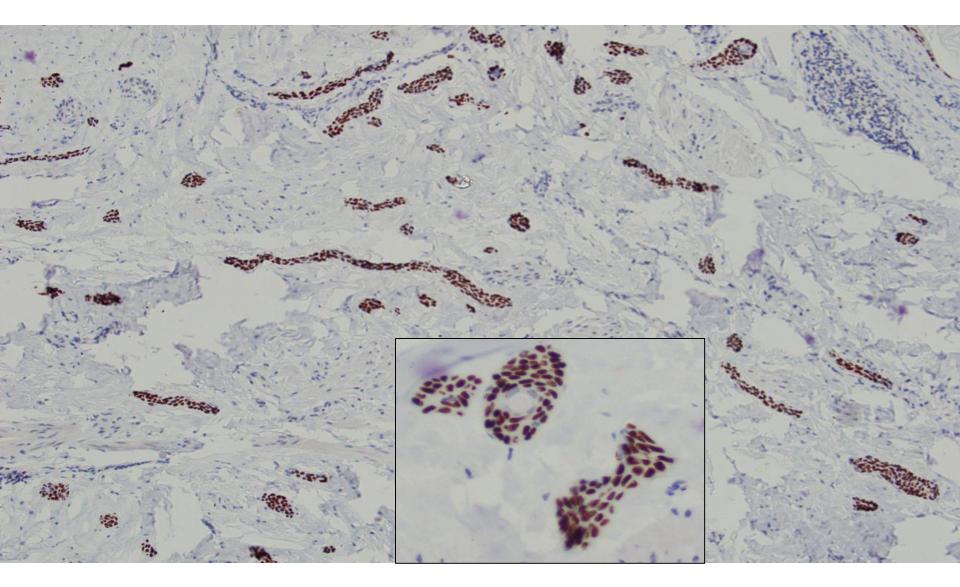




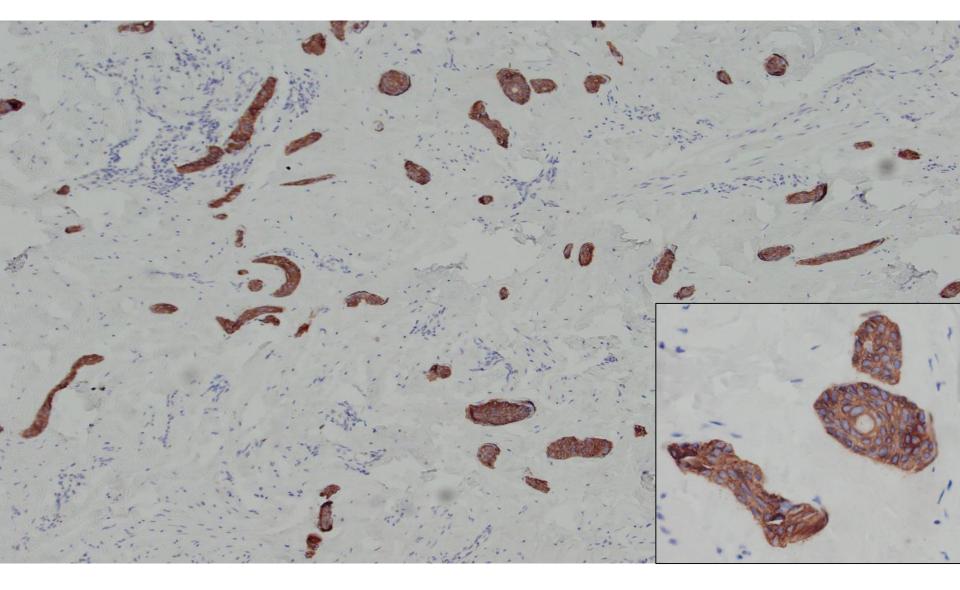


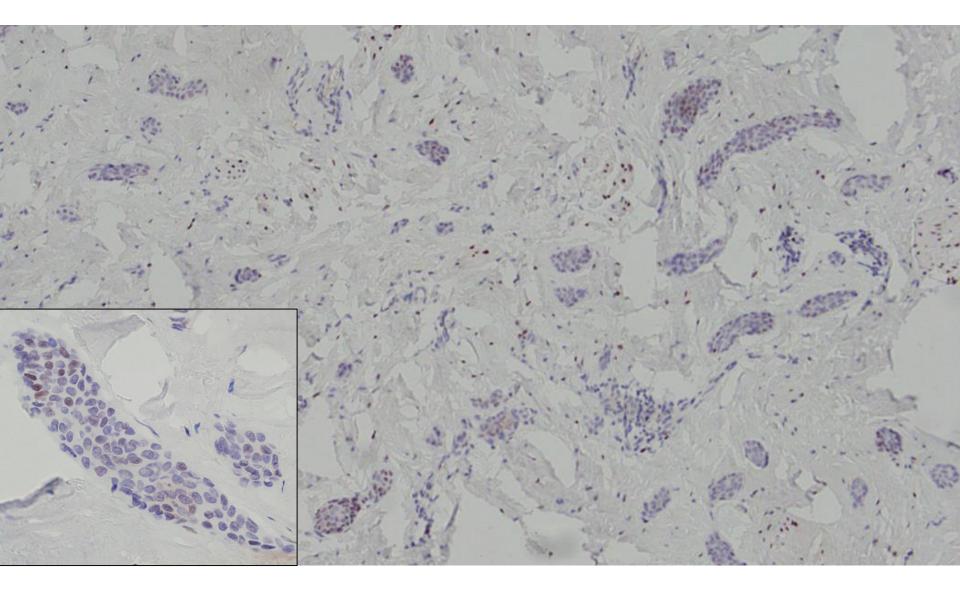






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Diagnosis

Syringomatous tumour of the nipple-areolar complex









Syringomatous tumour

- Uncommon, locally permeative tumour which shows sweat duct differentiation.
- Previously referred to as syringomatous 'adenoma', the term 'tumour' is preferred due to its histologic invasive appearance and the propensity for local recurrence.









Syringomatous tumour ~ differential diagnosis

Low grade adenosquamous carcinoma

Close histological and biological similarities between the nipple syringomatous tumour and low grade adenosquamous carcinoma.

Main difference is the occurrence of low grade adenosquamous carcinoma in breast parenchyma instead of the nipple-areolar region.

Tubular carcinoma

Angulated patent tubules of the syringomatous tumour resemble those of tubular carcinoma.

Tubular carcinoma however, does not demonstrate squamous differentiation.

Division of Pathology

Immunohistochemically, tubular carcinoma shows positive hormone receptor expression and lacks myoepithelial cells, contrasting against the syringomatous tumour which is usually hormone receptor negative and shows positive reactivity for myoepithelial markers.









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