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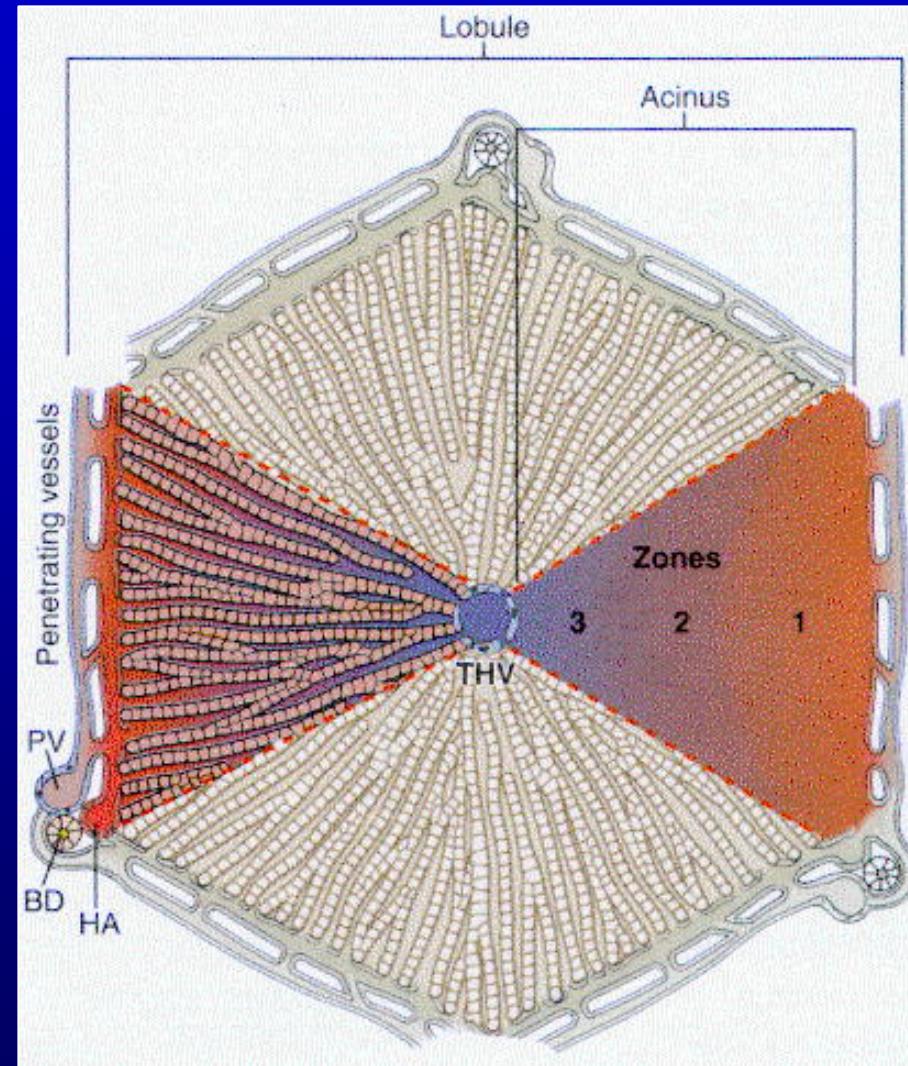
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# The Normal Liver

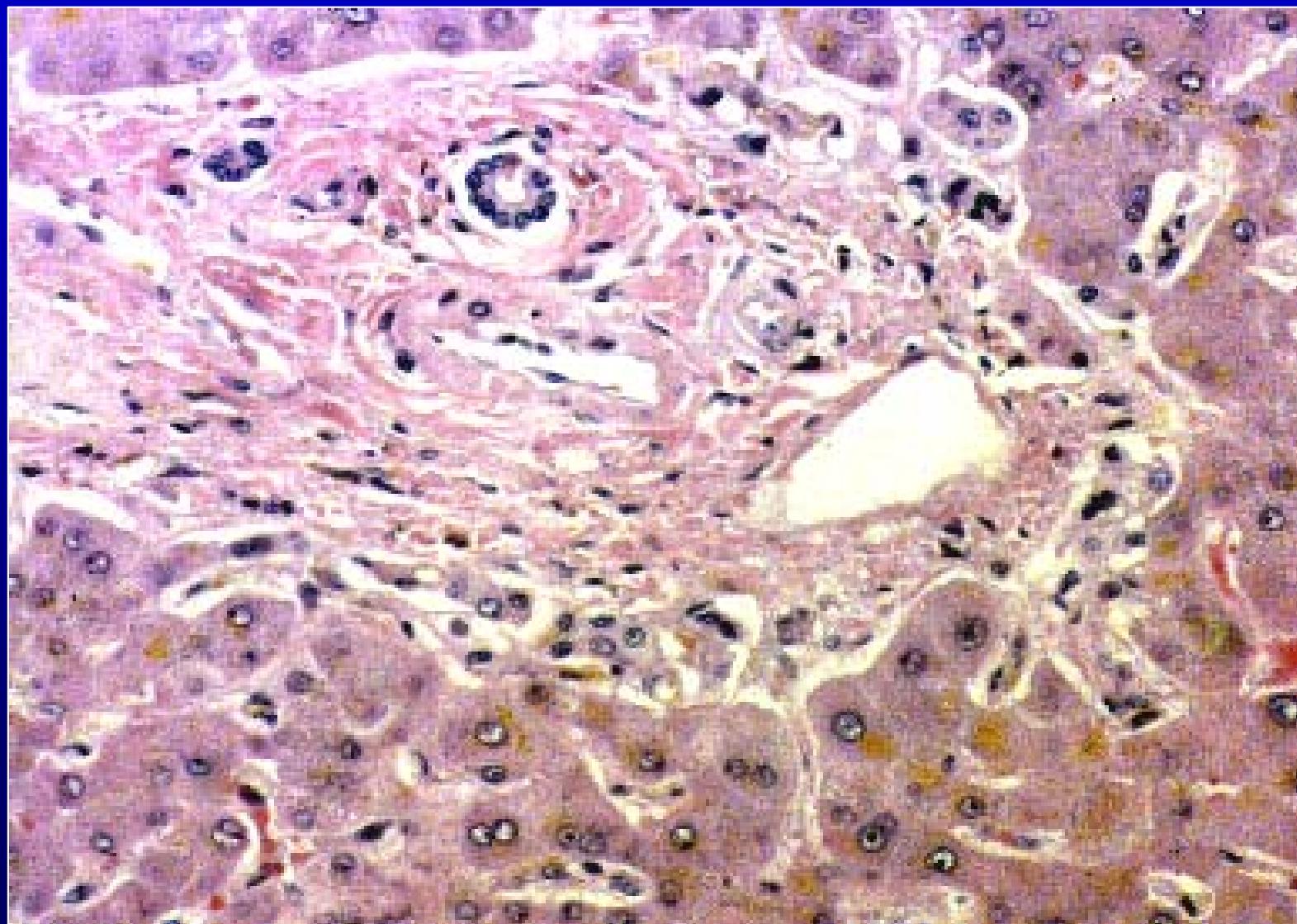
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- Acinar/lobular architecture
- Portal tracts
- Hepatic plates & sinusoids
- Central veins

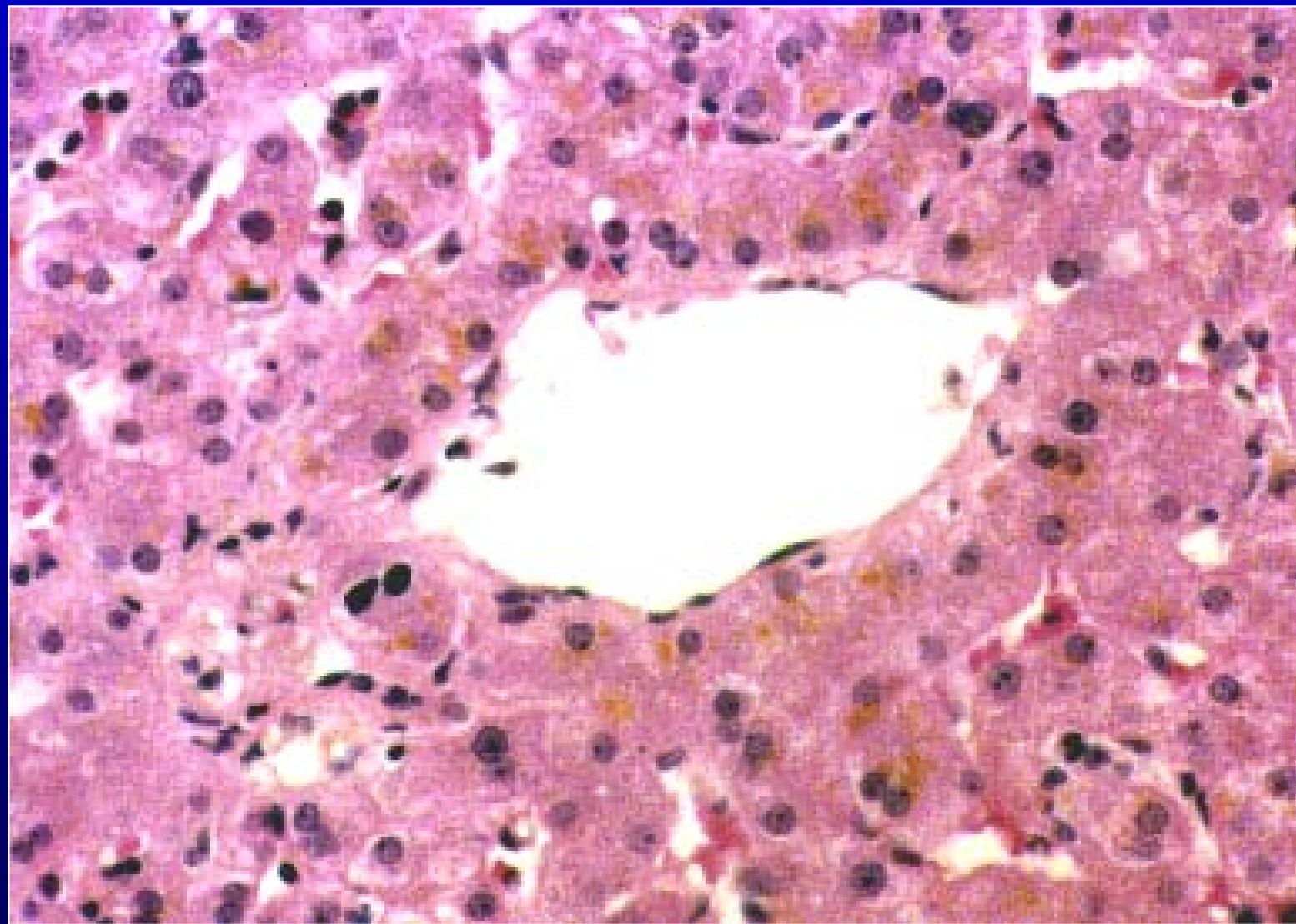
# Normal liver architecture



# Normal portal tract

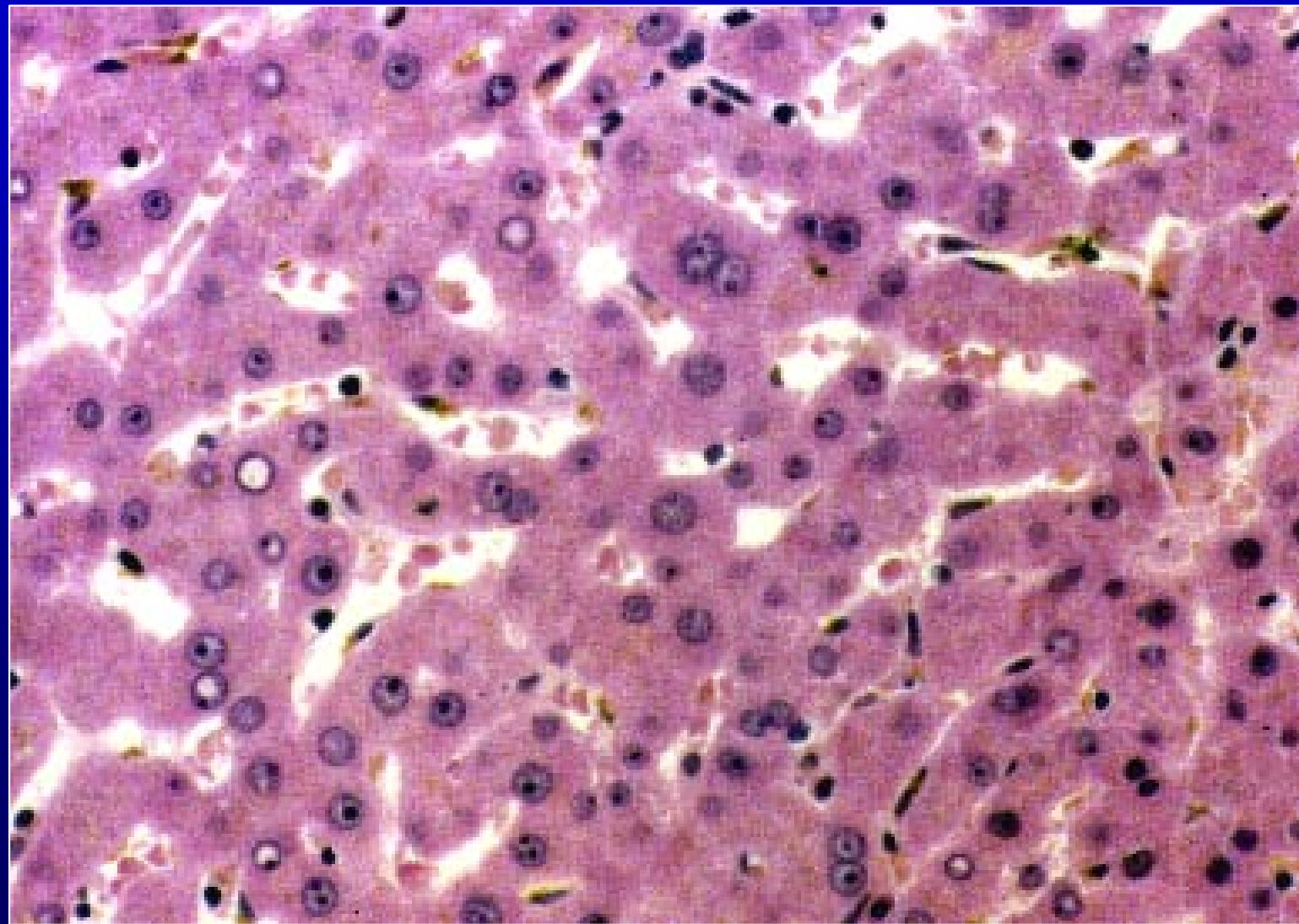


# Normal Central Vein



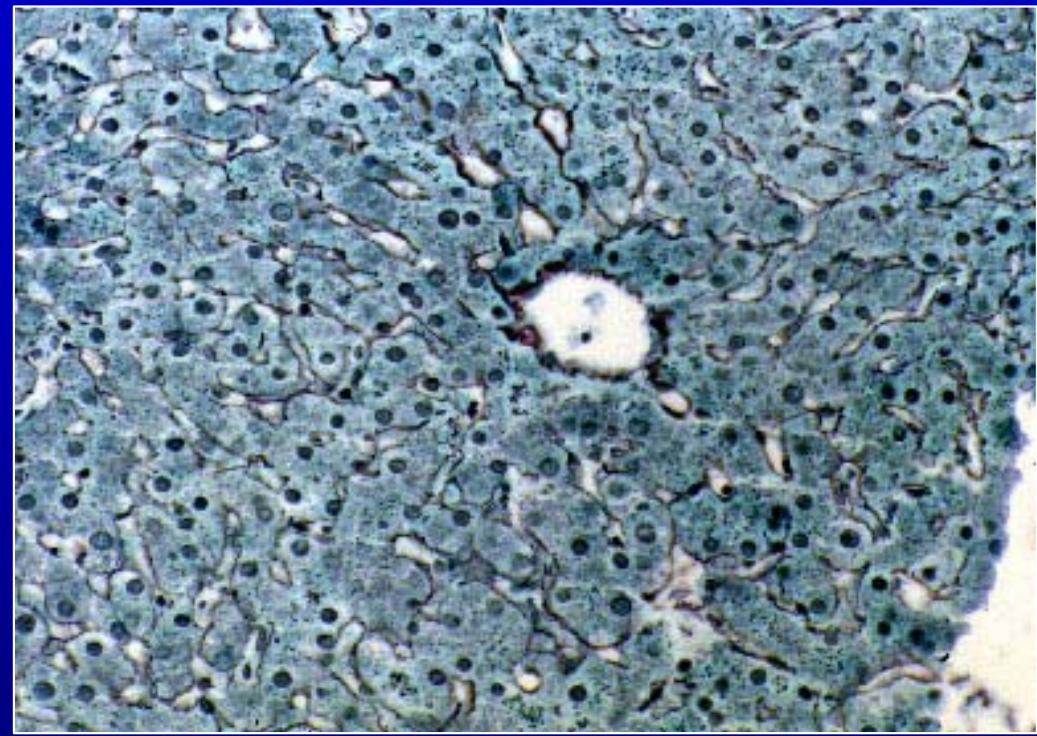
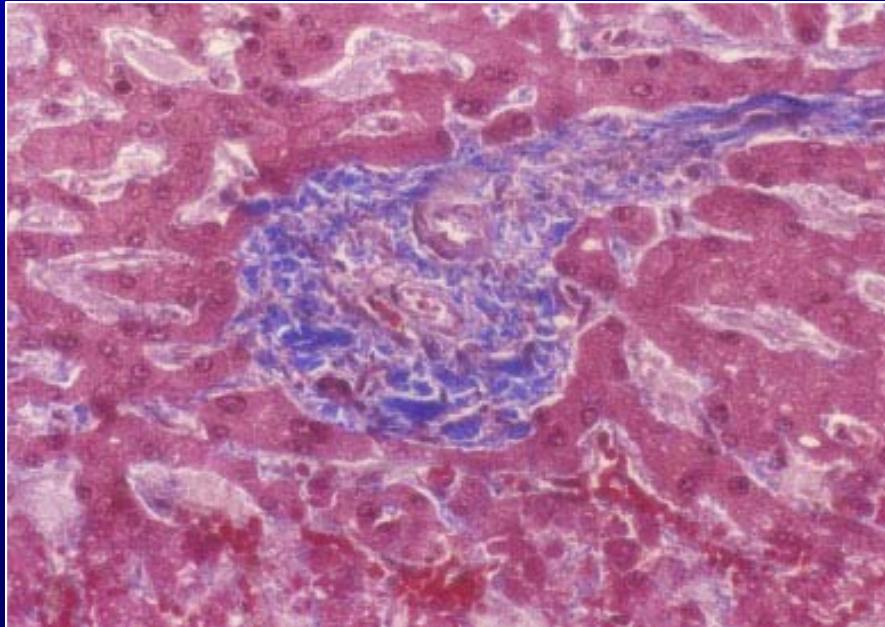
# Normal hepatic plates

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# Special stains

Trichrome



Reticulin

# Histologic Types of Liver Injury

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- Necrosis
- Hepatocyte degeneration/regeneration
- Hepatitis (acute and chronic)
- Steatosis (fatty change)/steatohepatitis
- Cholestasis (bile accumulation)
- Fibrosis and cirrhosis

# Chronic Hepatitis

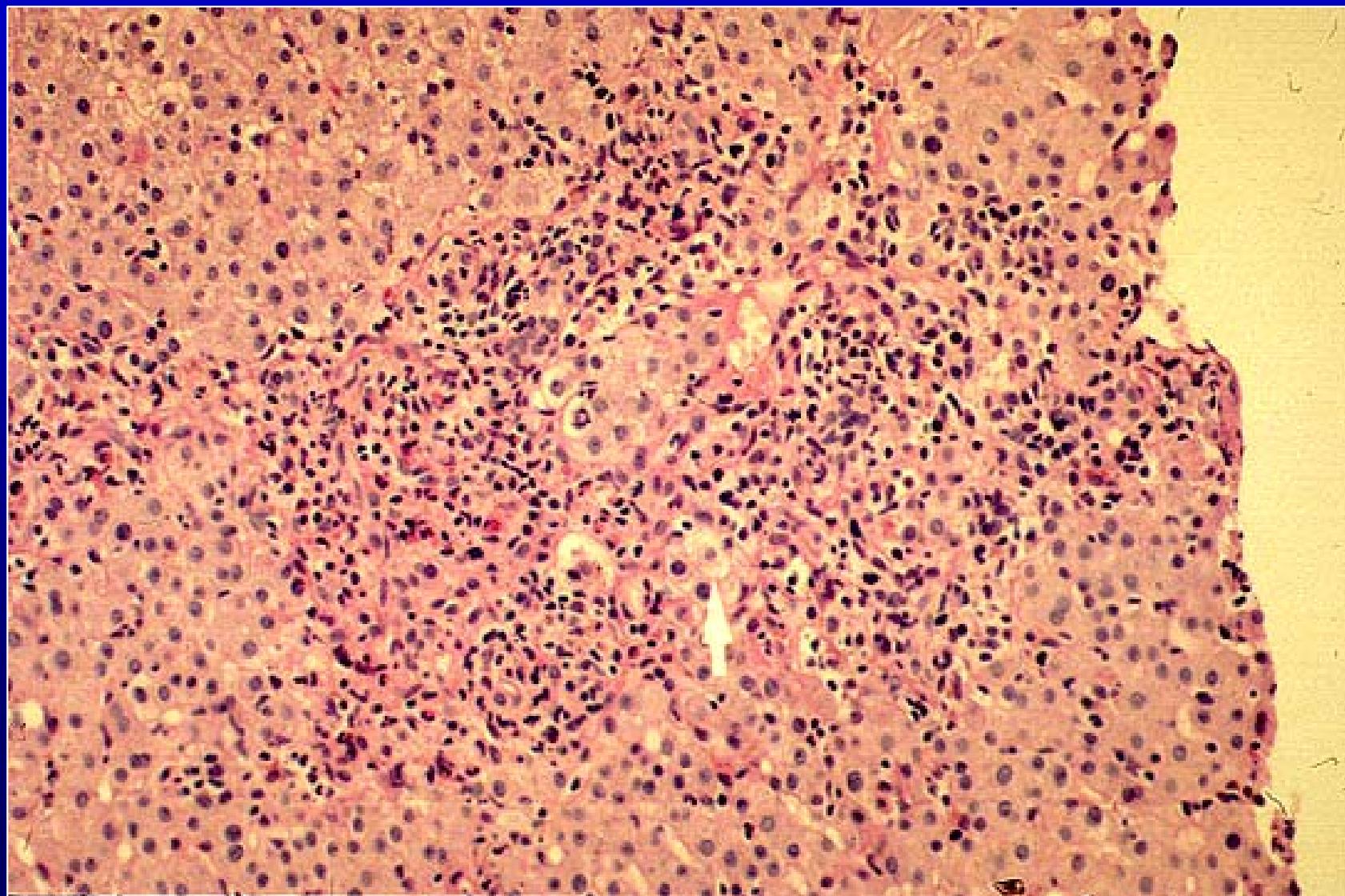
## Key Histologic Features

- Portal tract mononuclear inflammation
- Periportal activity
  - Extension beyond limiting plate (“piecemeal necrosis”)
- Lobular Activity
  - Lobular mononuclear inflammation
  - Lobular hepatocyte necrosis
- Fibrosis, Cirrhosis

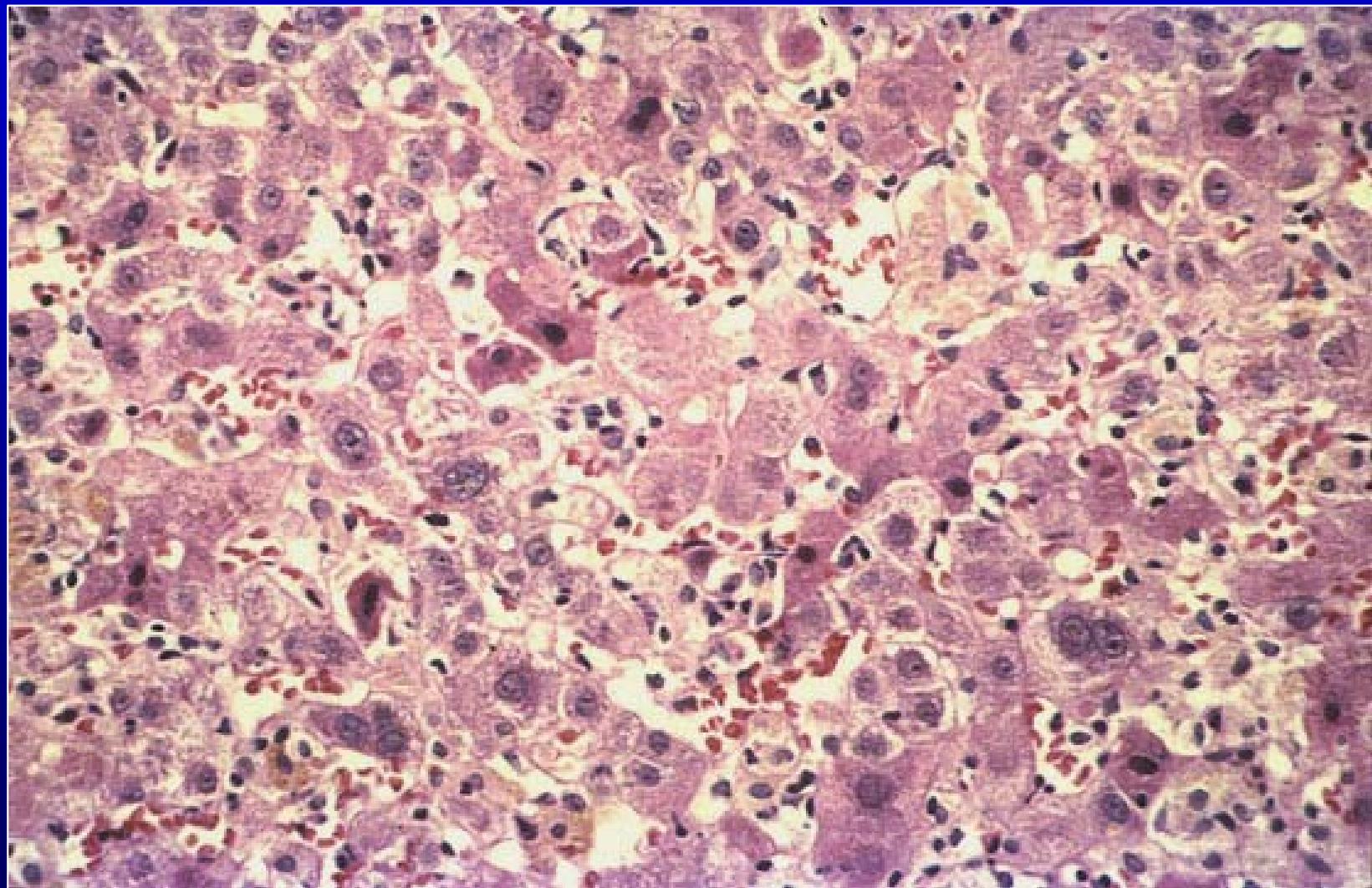
# Acute vs. Chronic Viral Hepatitis

	<u>Acute</u>	<u>Chronic</u>
Causes	HAV,HBV,HCV	HBV,HCV
Inflamm-distrib	Lobular	Portal $\pm$ lobular
Inflamm-cells	Lymphocytes Macrophages	Lymphocytes Plasma cells
Necrosis	+ - +++	-/+
Sequelae	Resolution Chronic hepatitis Post-hepatitic scarring	Chronic carrier Cirrhosis

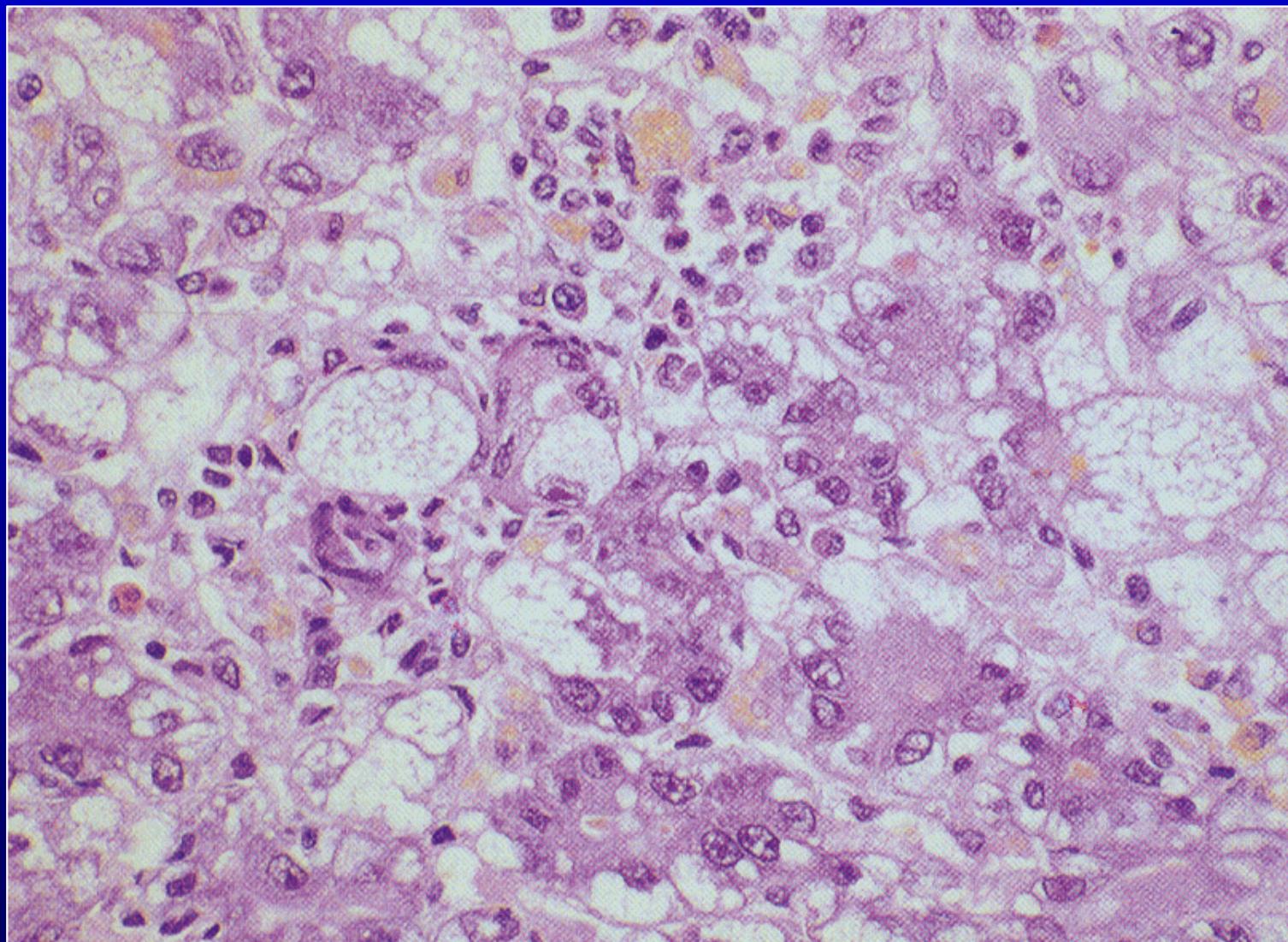
# Acute viral hepatitis



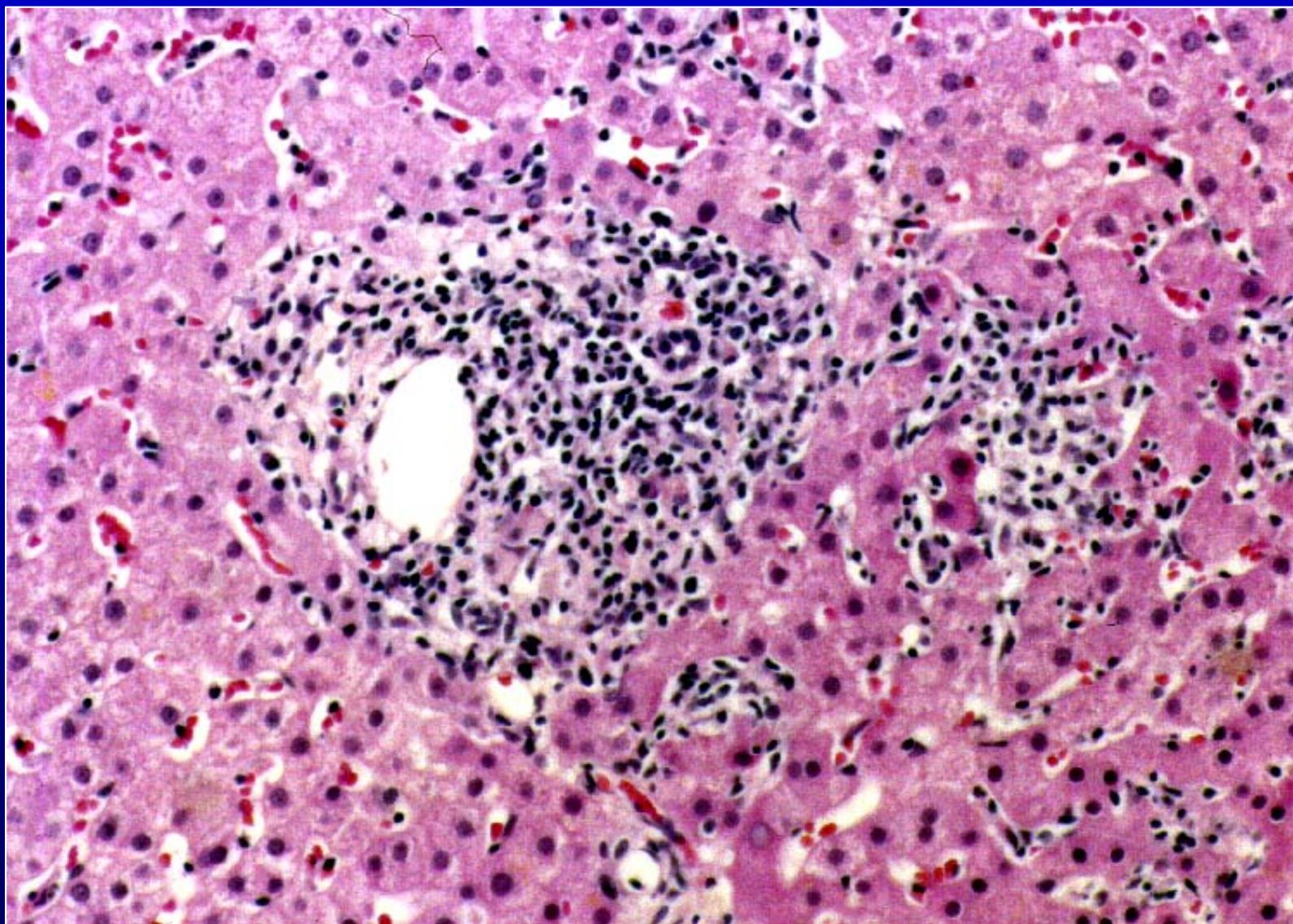
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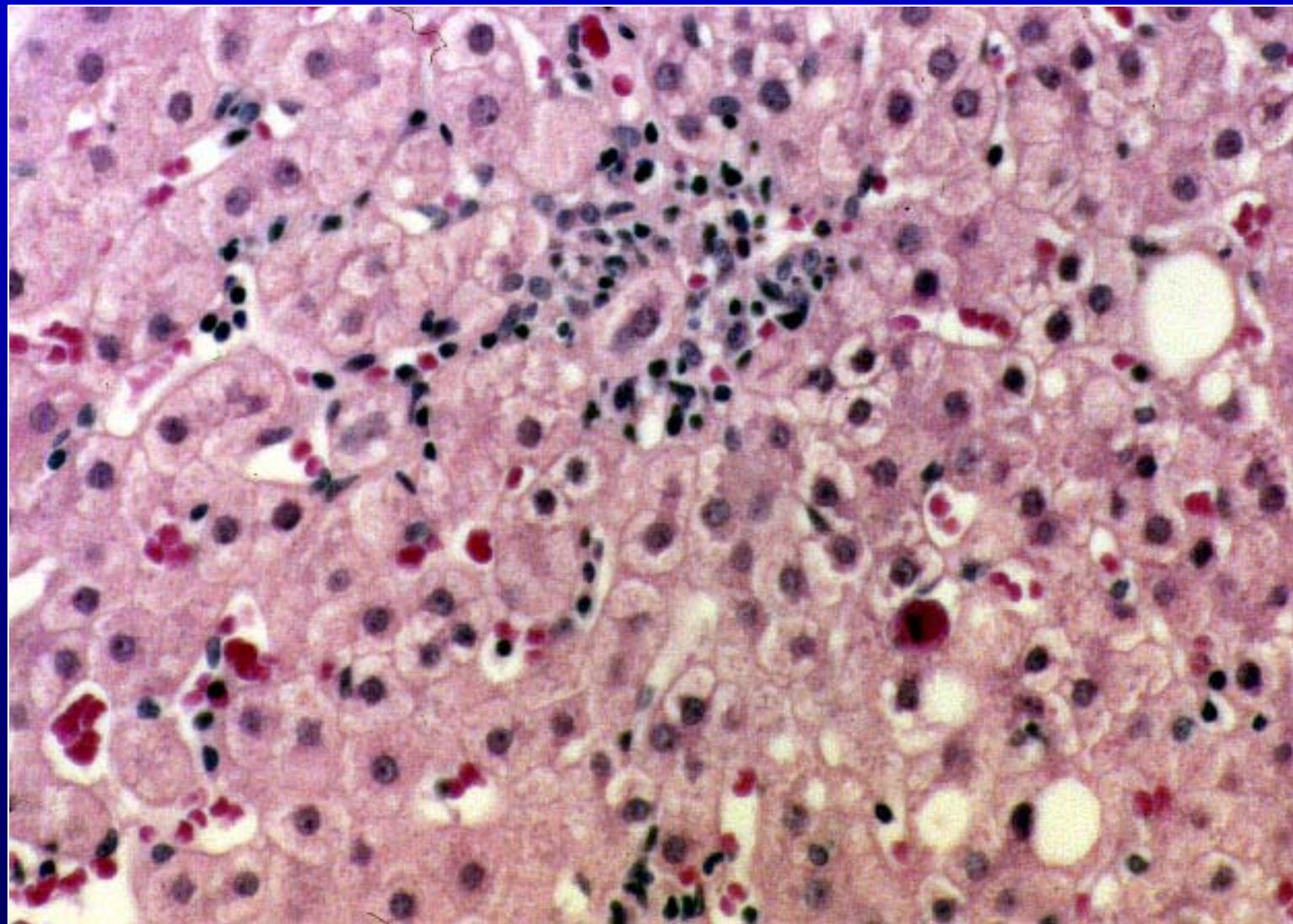
# Fulminant viral hepatitis



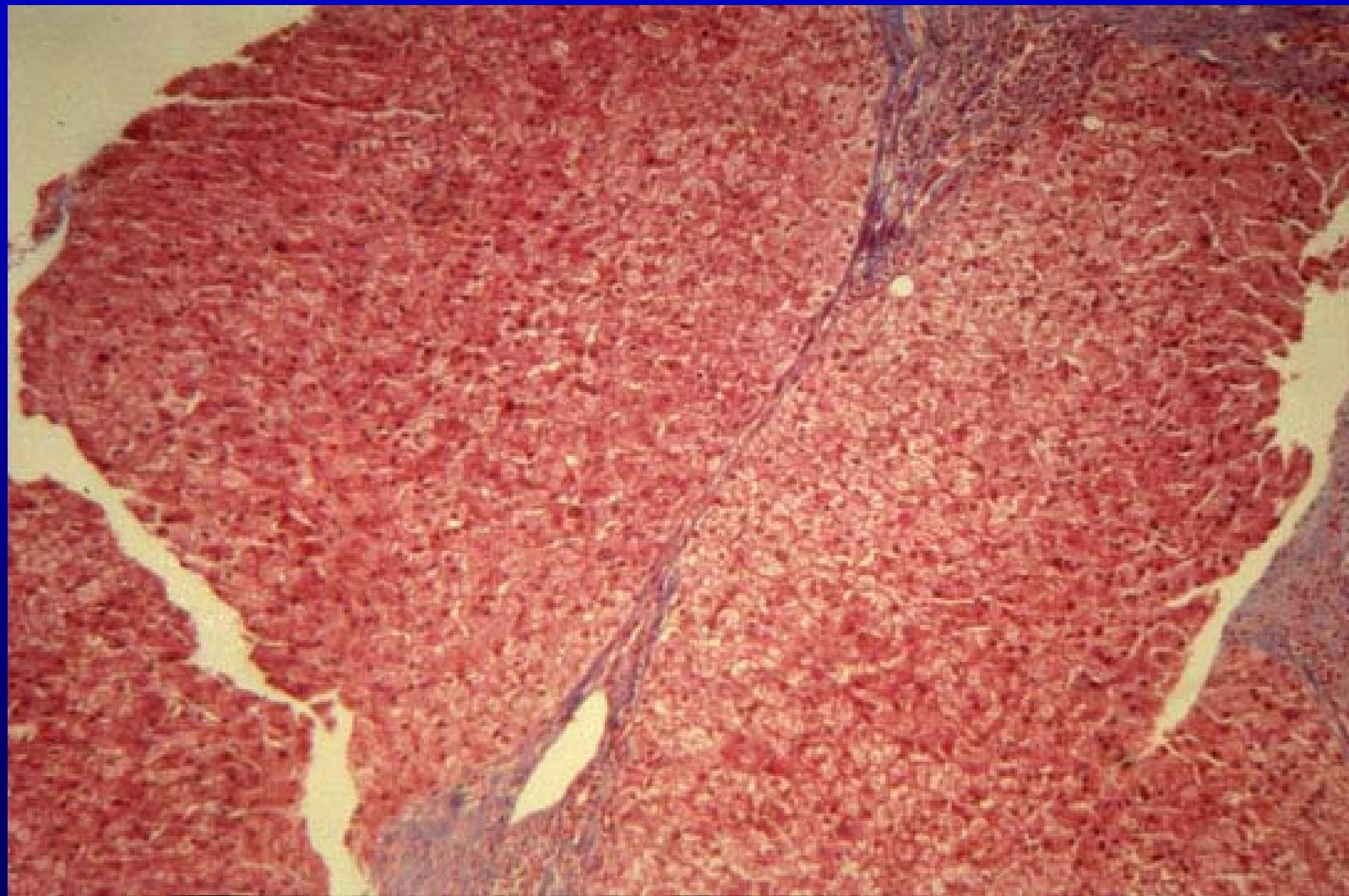
# Chronic hepatitis C



# Lobular activity



# Portal-portal bridging



# Early cirrhosis

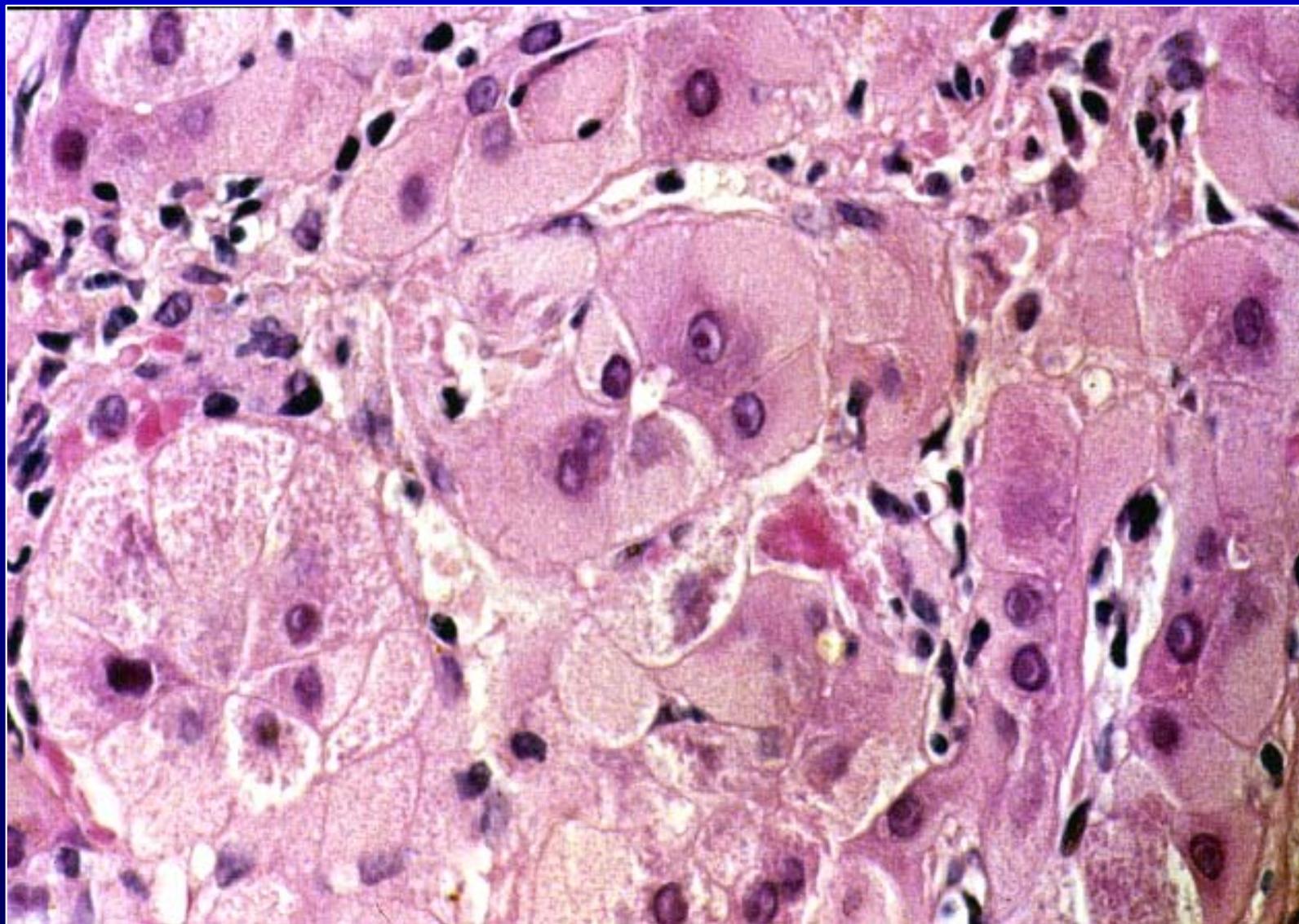


# Chronic Hepatitis- Etiologies

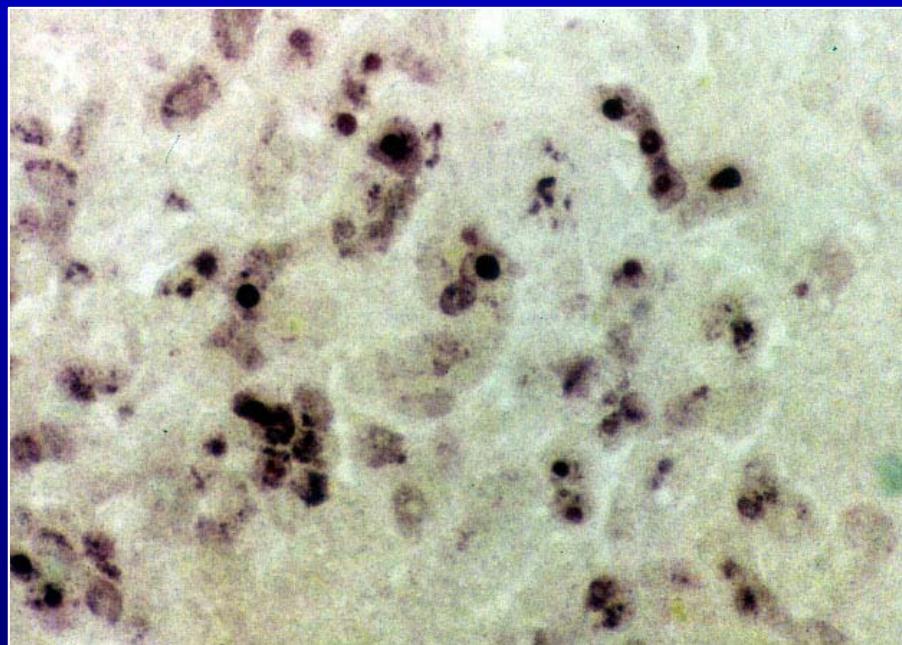
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- Viral
  - Hepatitis B,C
- Autoimmune
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  - Primary biliary cirrhosis
- Drug reaction
- Others (Wilson's disease, lymphoma)

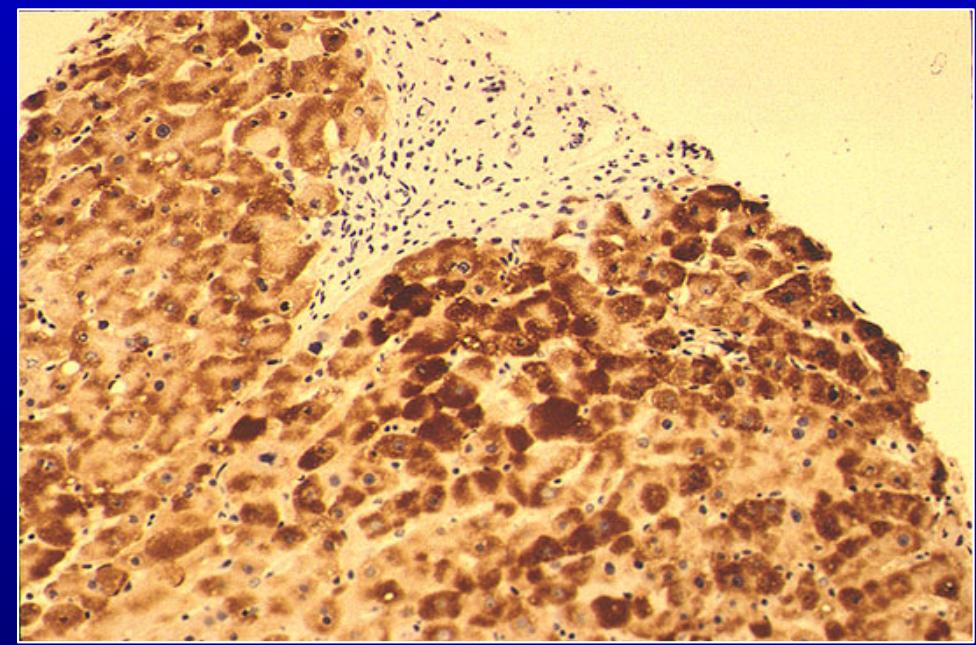
# Chronic Hepatitis B



# Hepatitis B virus immunostains



**HBV core Ag**



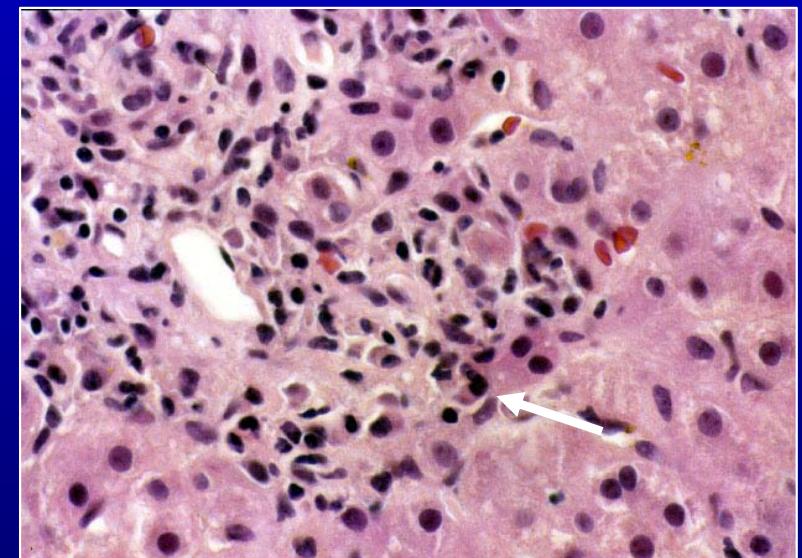
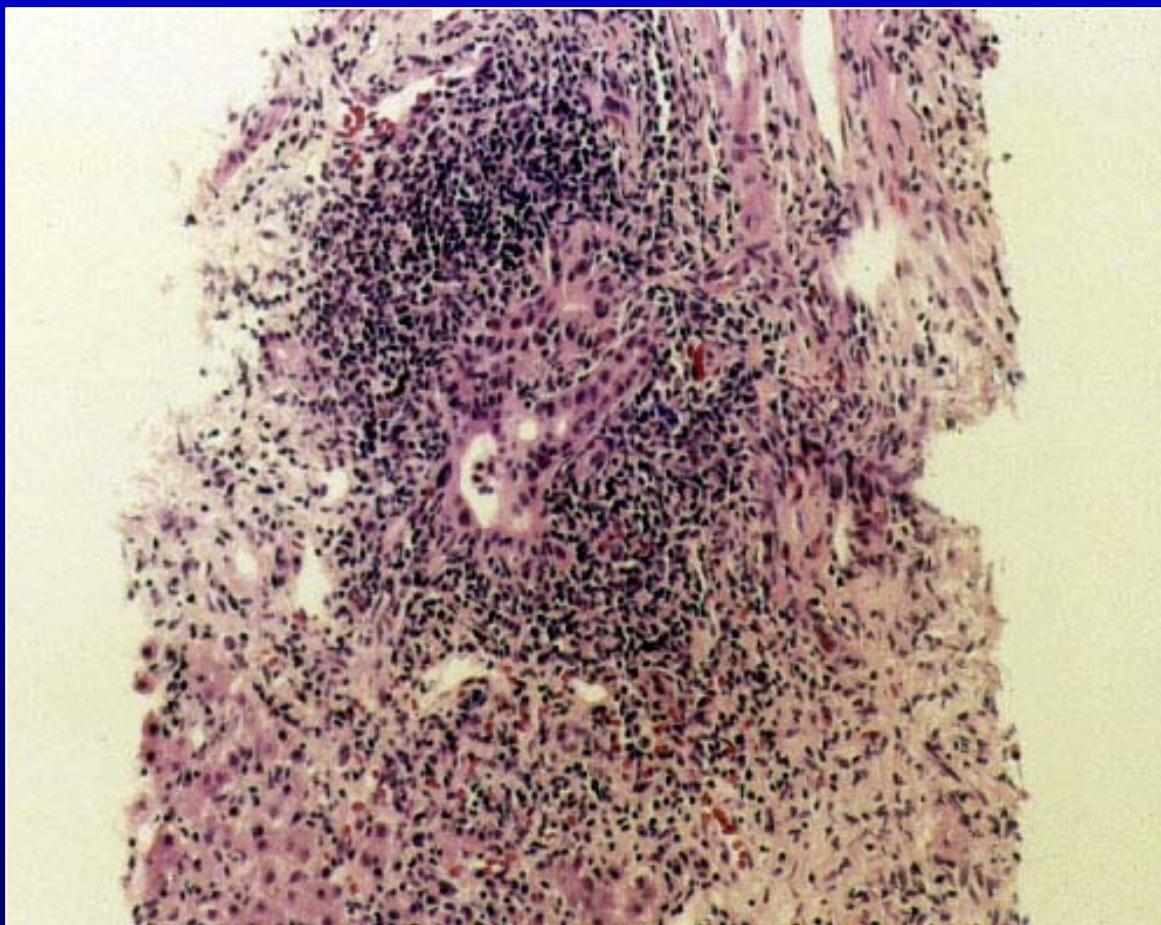
**HBV surface Ag**

# Autoimmune hepatitis

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- **Clinical:** F>M, young-midage, abrupt or insidious onset, relapsing course; liver only or a/w systemic autoimmune phenomena
- **Labs:** ↑transaminases; +ANA (type I), +α-LKM (type II), +α-SLA (type III)
- **Histology:**
  - chronic hepatitis with marked piecemeal necrosis, lobular involvement
  - numerous plasma cells

# Autoimmune hepatitis

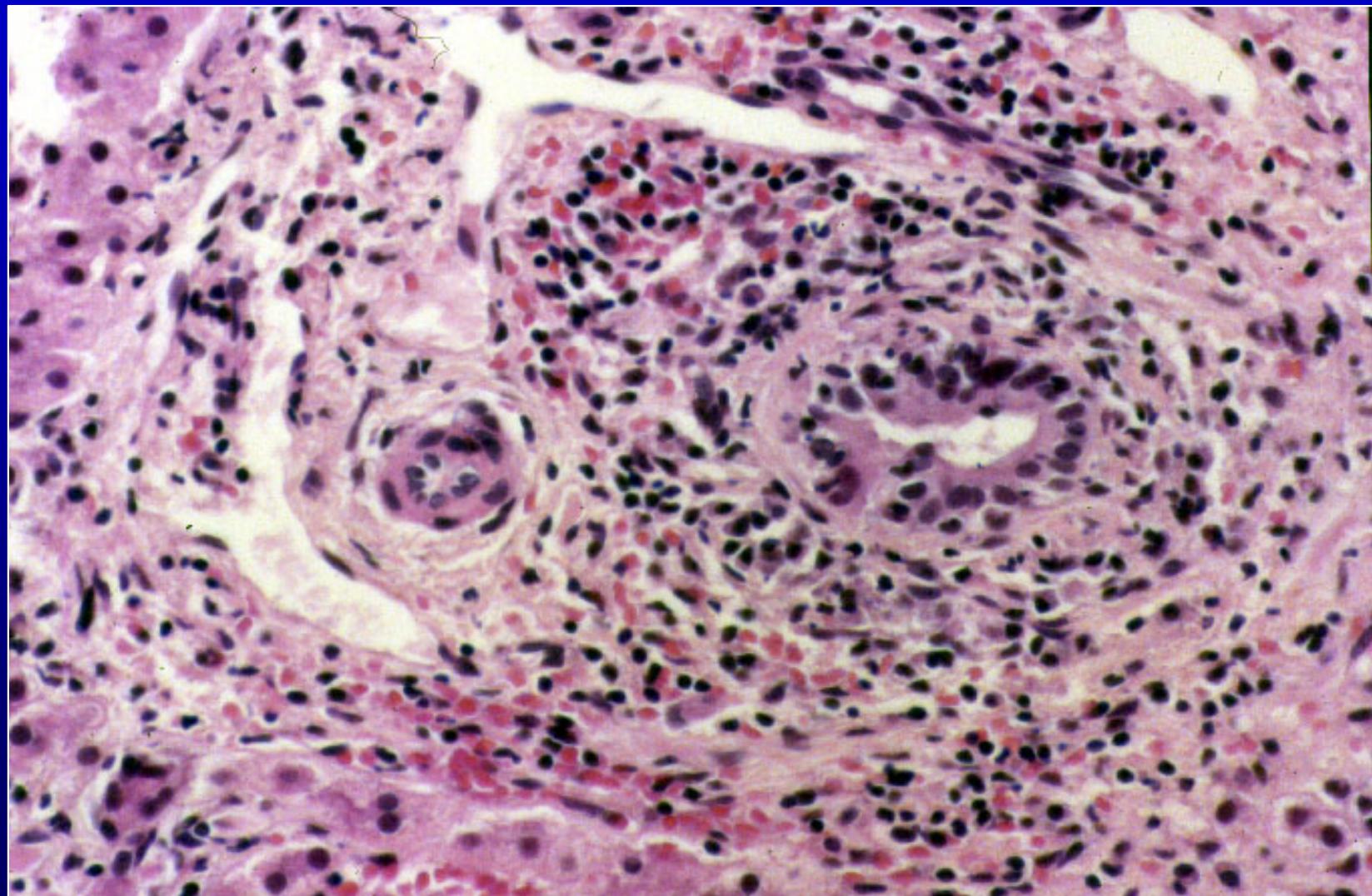


# Primary Biliary Cirrhosis

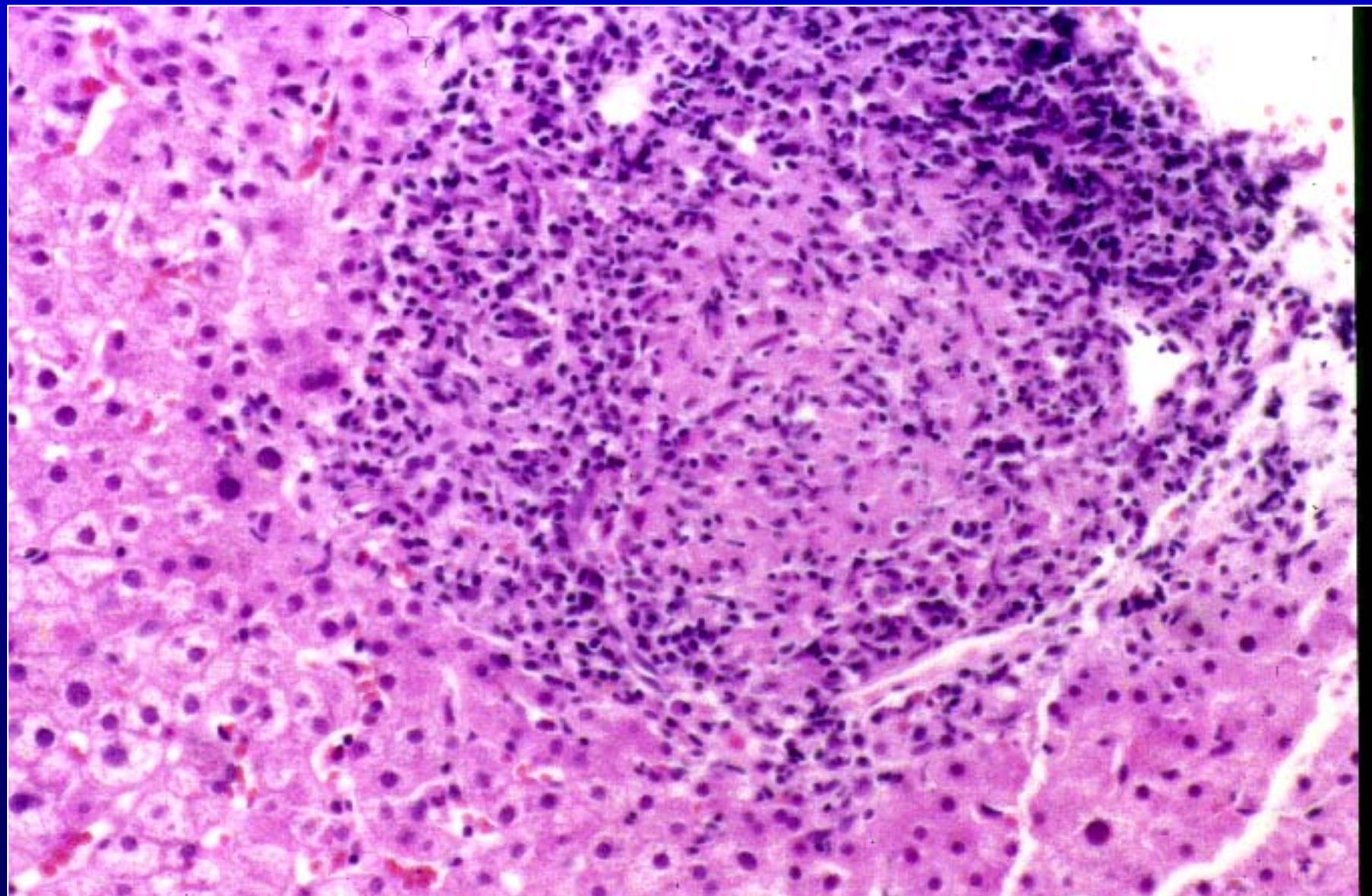
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- Clinical: middle age, F>>M; insidious onset
  - a/w other autoimmune syndromes
- Labs: inc. AP, +AMA
- Histologic stages:
  - I. Florid duct lesion: BD damage, granulomas
  - II. Ductular proliferation, periportal hepatitis
  - III. Scarring and fibrosis
  - IV. Cirrhosis

# Primary Biliary Cirrhosis



# Primary Biliary Cirrhosis



# Chronic Hepatitis -Differential Diagnosis

Portal Inflamm.  
Piecemeal Necrosis  
Lobular Inflamm  
Plasma Cells  
BD Damage/Loss  
BD Proliferation  
Granulomas

	HCV	AIH	PBC
Portal Inflamm.	++	+	++
Piecemeal Necrosis	++	+++	++
Lobular Inflamm	+	+++	+/-
Plasma Cells	+	++	+/-
BD Damage/Loss	+	-/+	+++
BD Proliferation	+	-	+++
Granulomas	-	-	++

# Cholestasis

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Definition: Accumulation of bile in hepatic tissue

## Etiologies:

- Bile duct obstruction
- Drug reaction
- Sepsis
- Acute viral hepatitis
- Graft-versus-host disease
- Other (cholestatic syndromes):
  - Cholestasis of pregnancy, benign recurrent cholestasis

# Cholestasis-pathology

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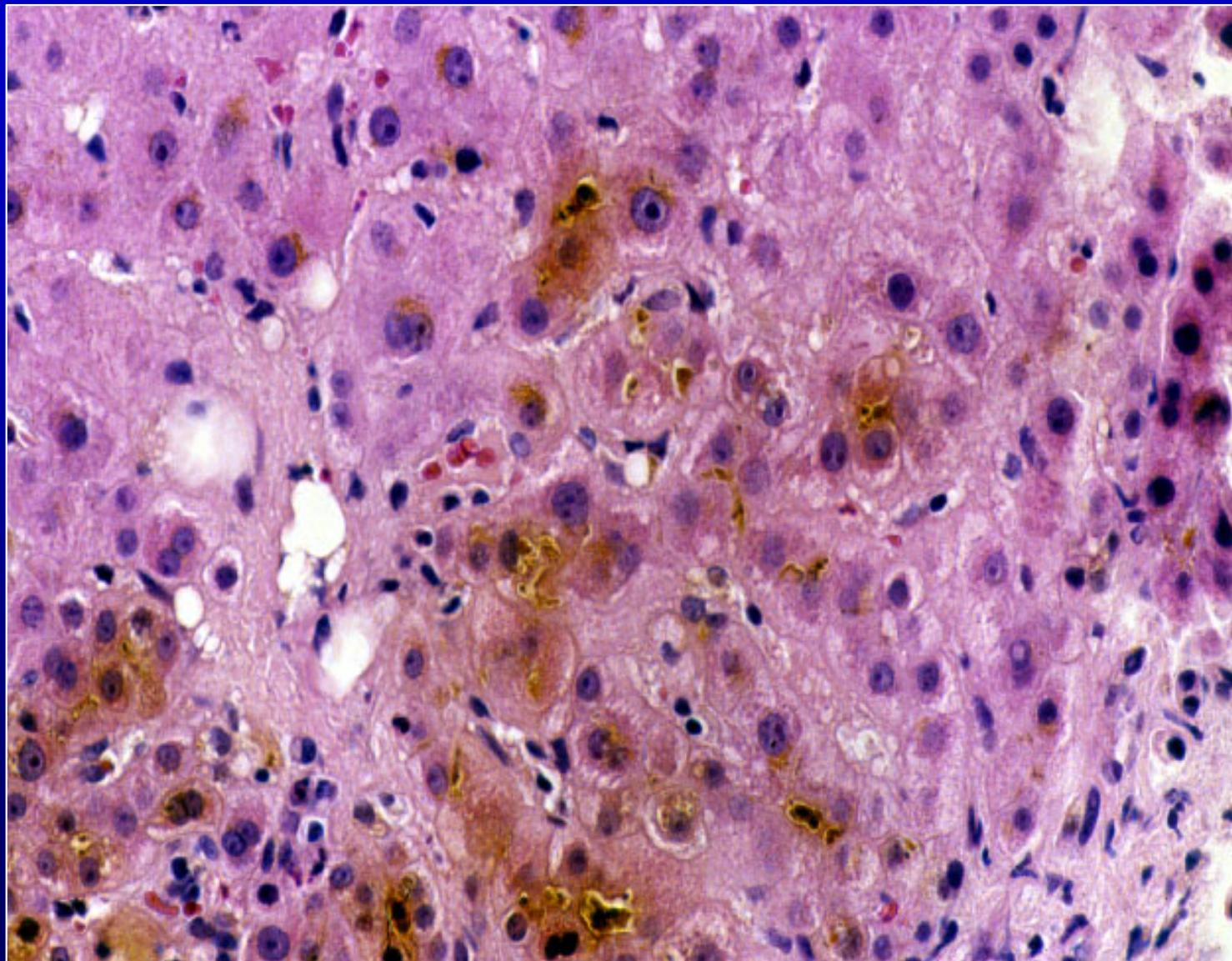
## Acute-Subacute

- Bile accumulation
  - canalicular, centrilobular
  - (late) bile lakes
- Hepatocyte “feathery” degeneration
- Portal tract inflammation (PMNs)
- Bile duct proliferation

## Chronic

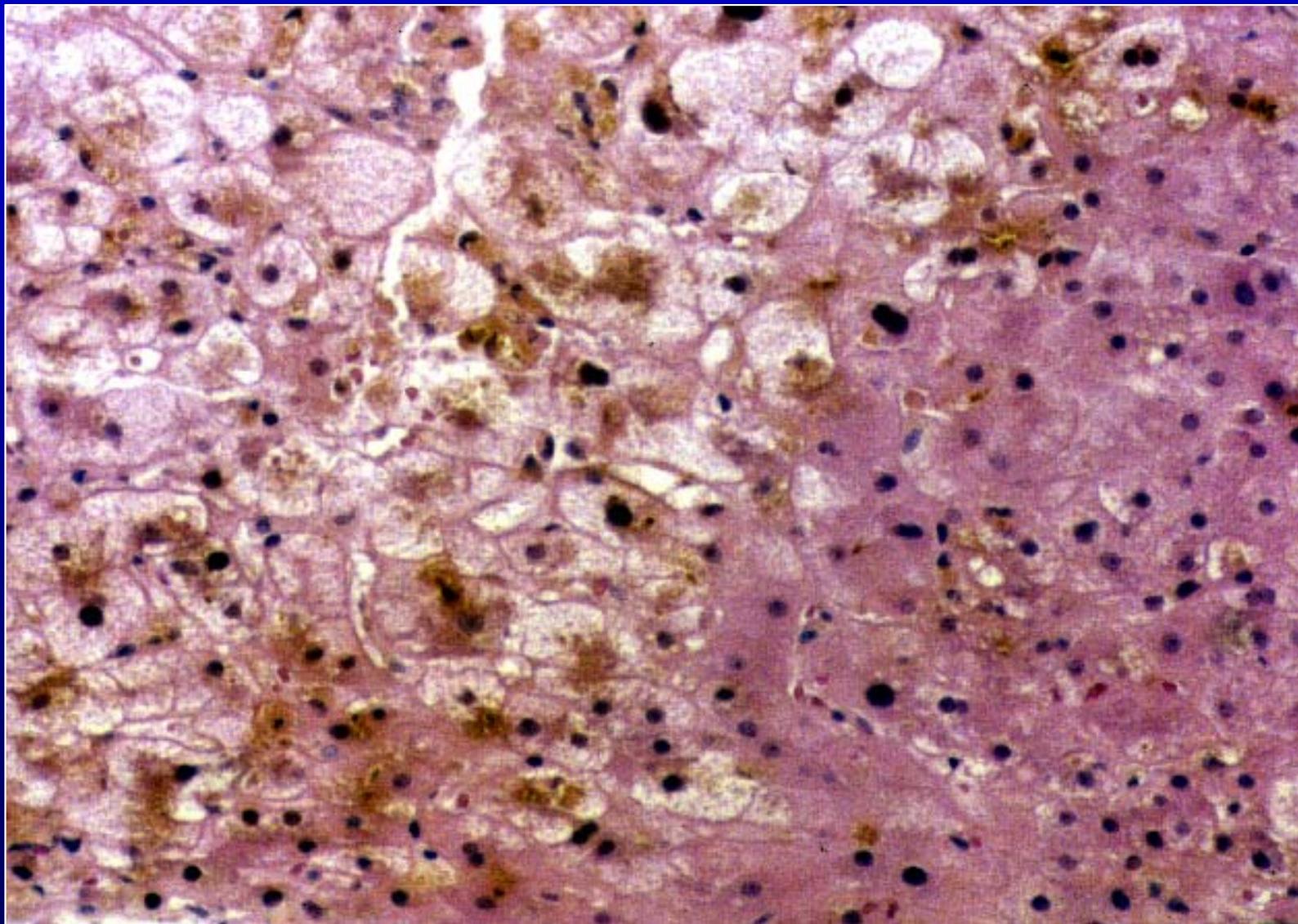
- Fibrosis

# Canalicular cholestasis

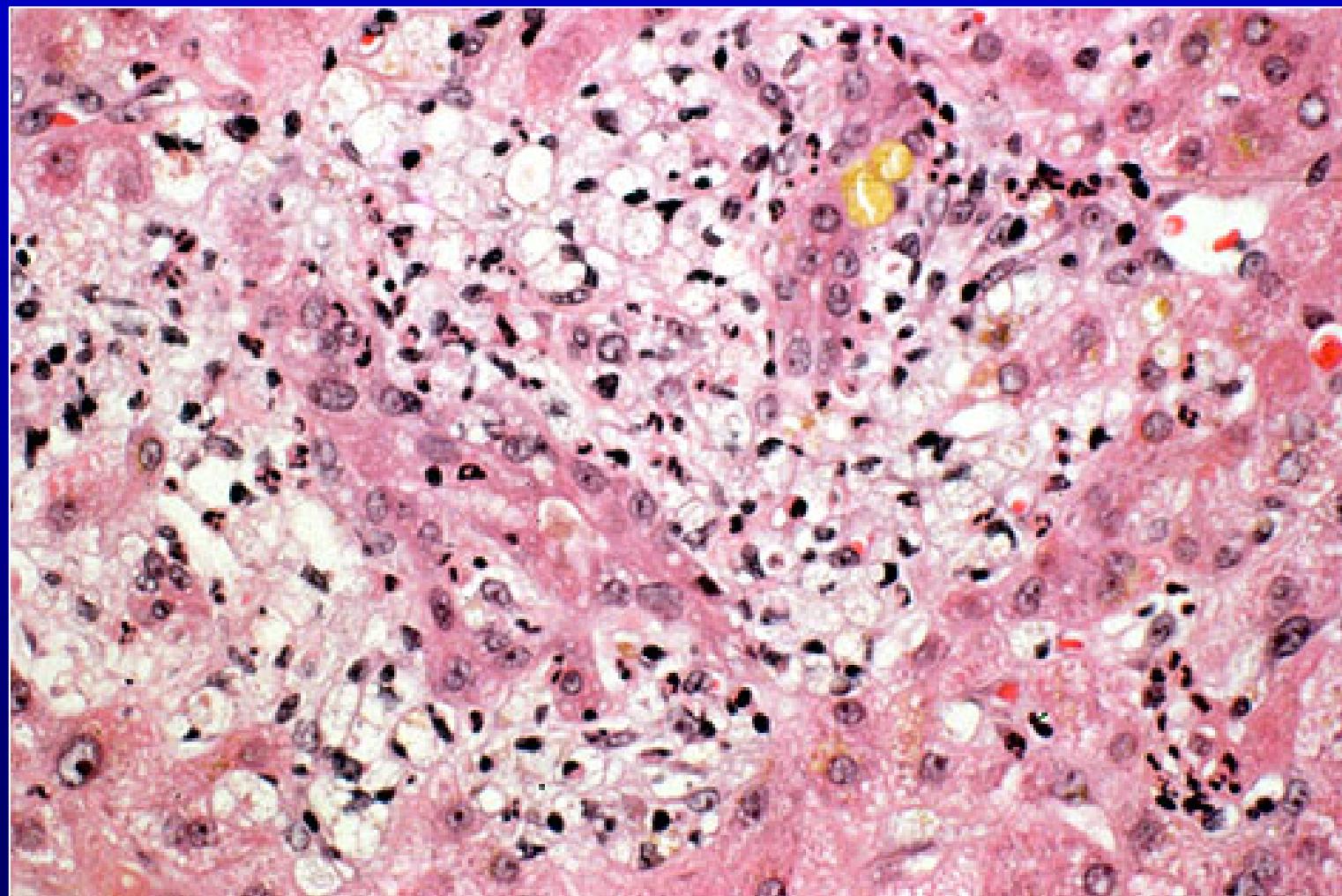


# Feathery degeneration

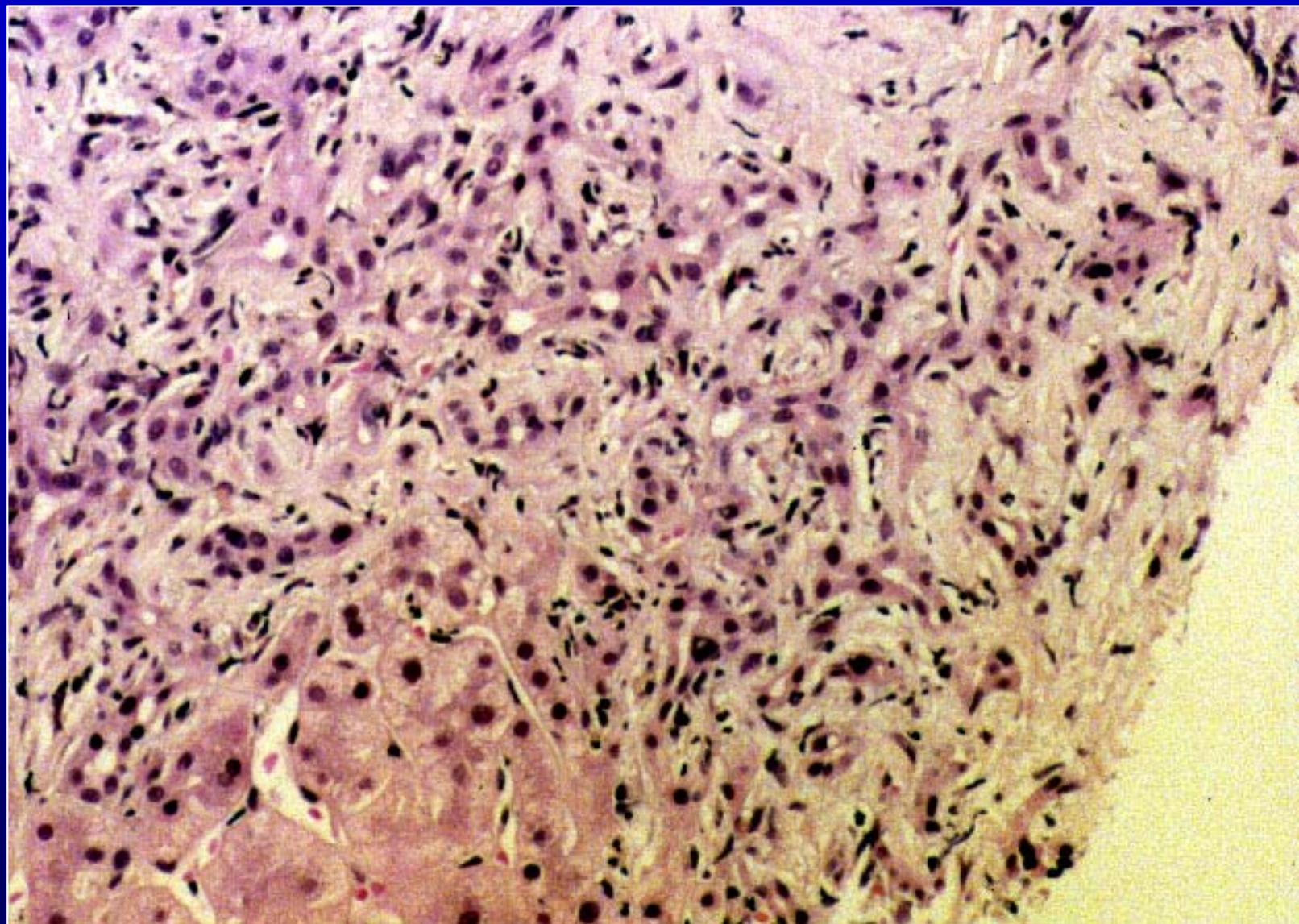
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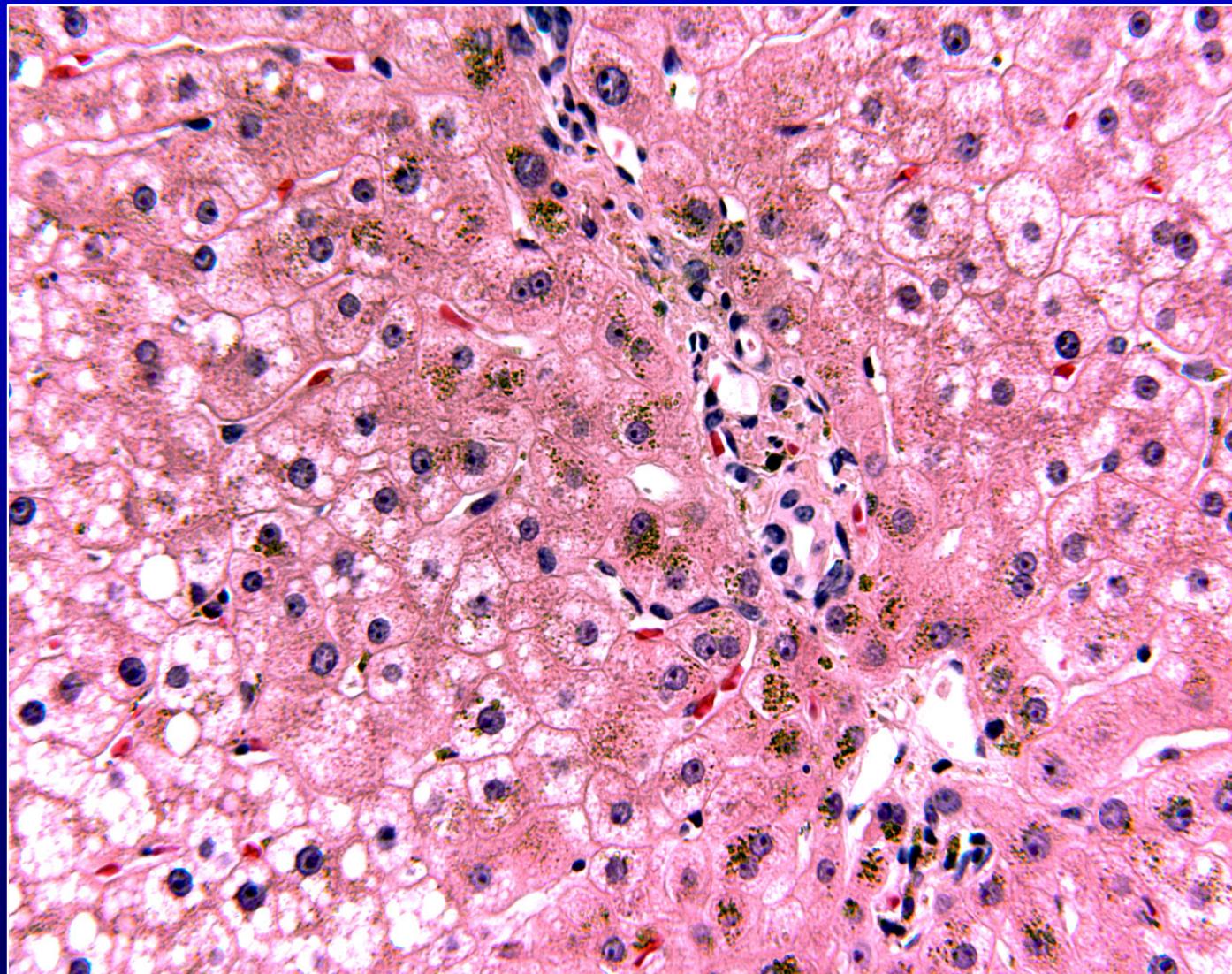
# Bile duct obstruction



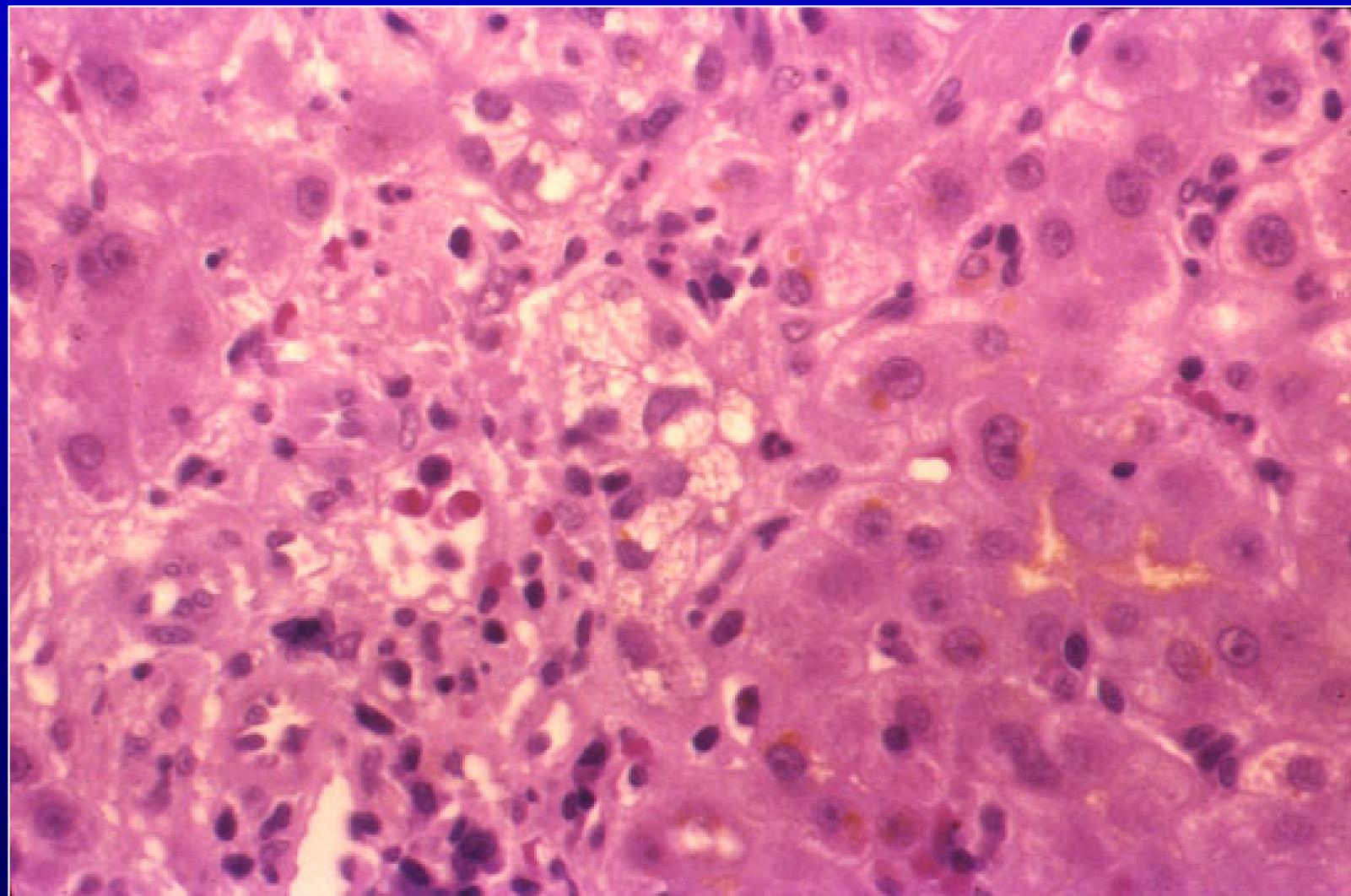
# Bile ductular proliferation



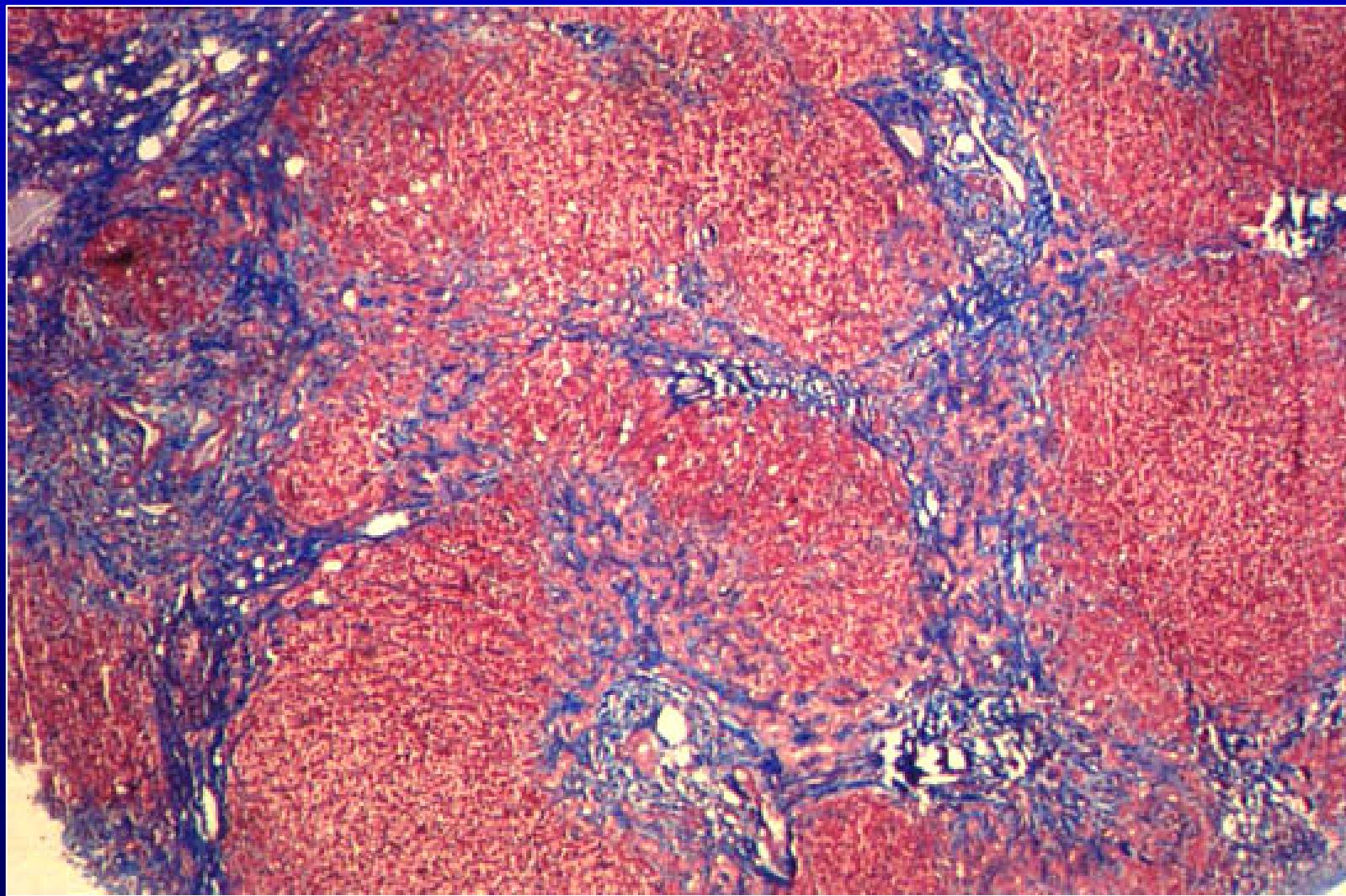
# GVHD



# Chronic cholestasis



# Portal-portal bridging

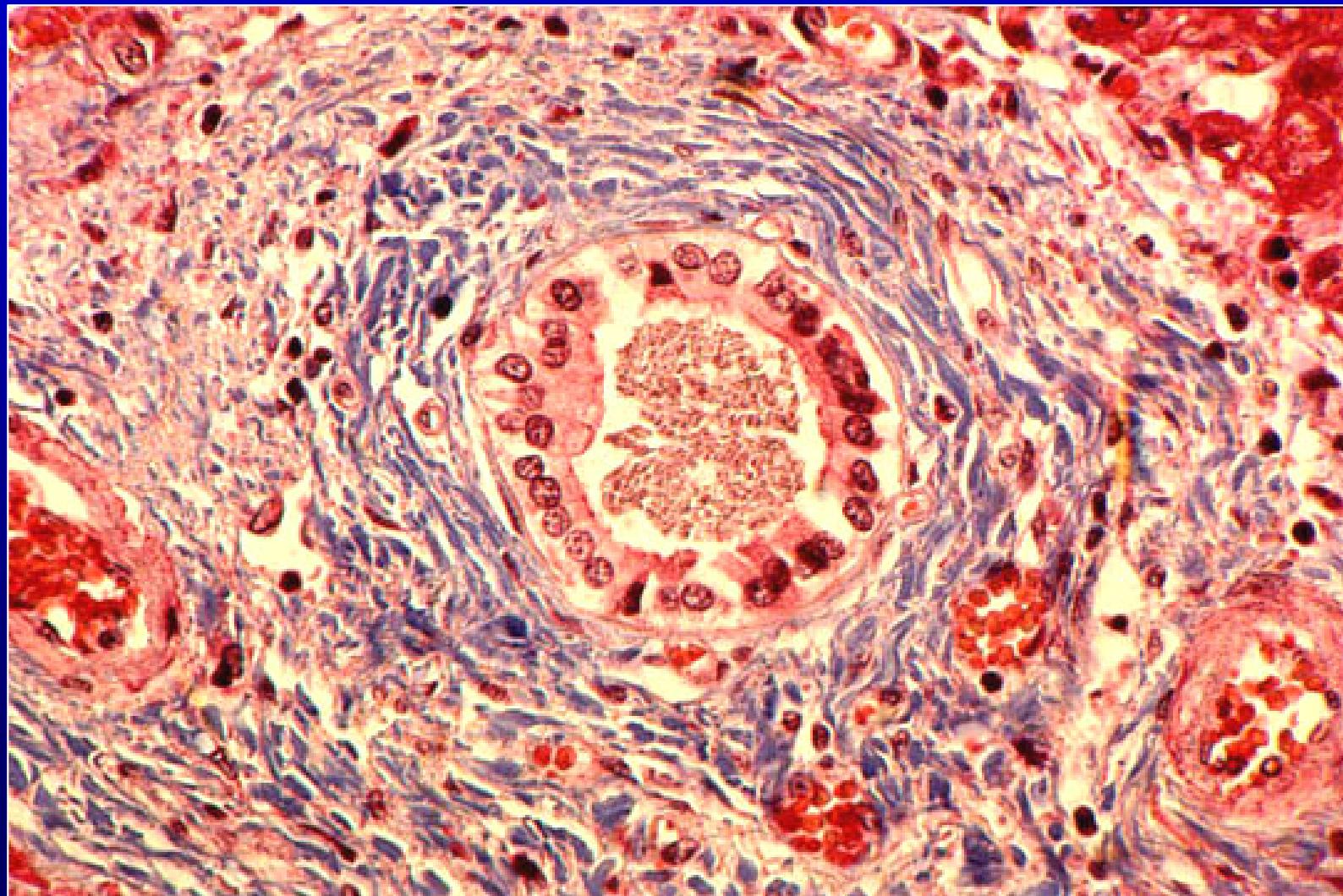


# Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis

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- Clinical: adults, M≈F, a/w ulcerative colitis  
jaundice, pruritus, RUQ pain
- Radiology: Strictures (“beading”) of bile ducts
- Histology:
  - Periductular concentric fibrosis
  - Bile duct inflammation, proliferation, and loss
  - Parenchyma: cholestasis
  - Progression: fibrosis, cirrhosis

# Primary sclerosing cholangitis



# Drug-induced Liver Disease

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Microsteatosis

Tetracycline, salicylates

Macrosteatosis

EtOH, methotrexate

Cholestasis

Cyclosporine, OCS

Necrosis

Acetaminophen

Hepatitis

Isoniazid, phenytoin

Granulomas

Allopurinol, sulfonamides

Fibrosis/cirrhosis

EtOH, methotrexate,  
amiodarone

Venous occlusion

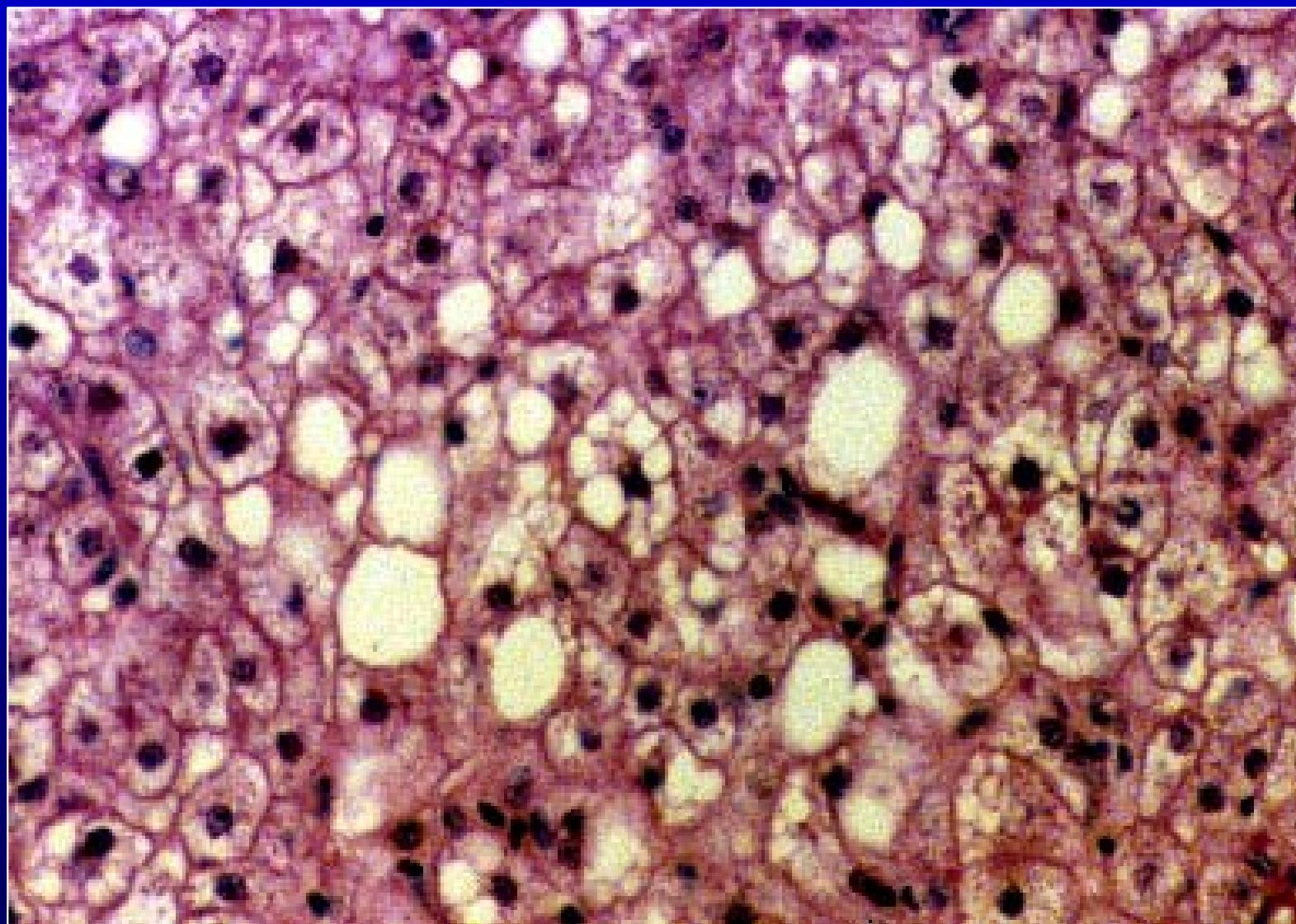
Cytotoxic chemotherapy

# Steatosis- Etiologies

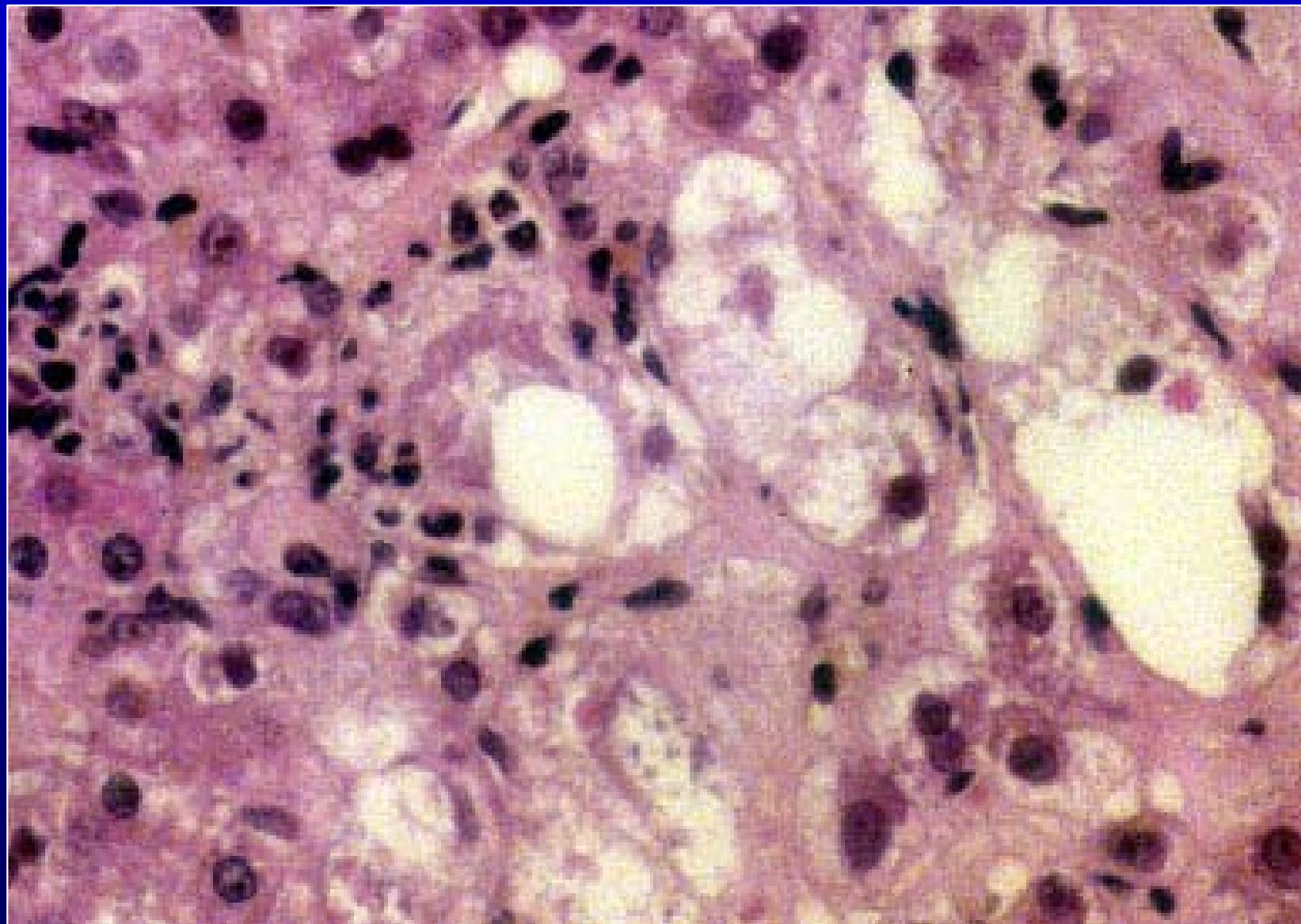
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- Microvesicular
  - Reyes Syndrome
  - Drug reactions (e.g. tetracycline)
  - Fatty liver of pregnancy
- Macrovesicular
  - Alcohol
  - Drug reaction (e.g. steroids)
  - Others (obesity, diabetes, malnutrition)

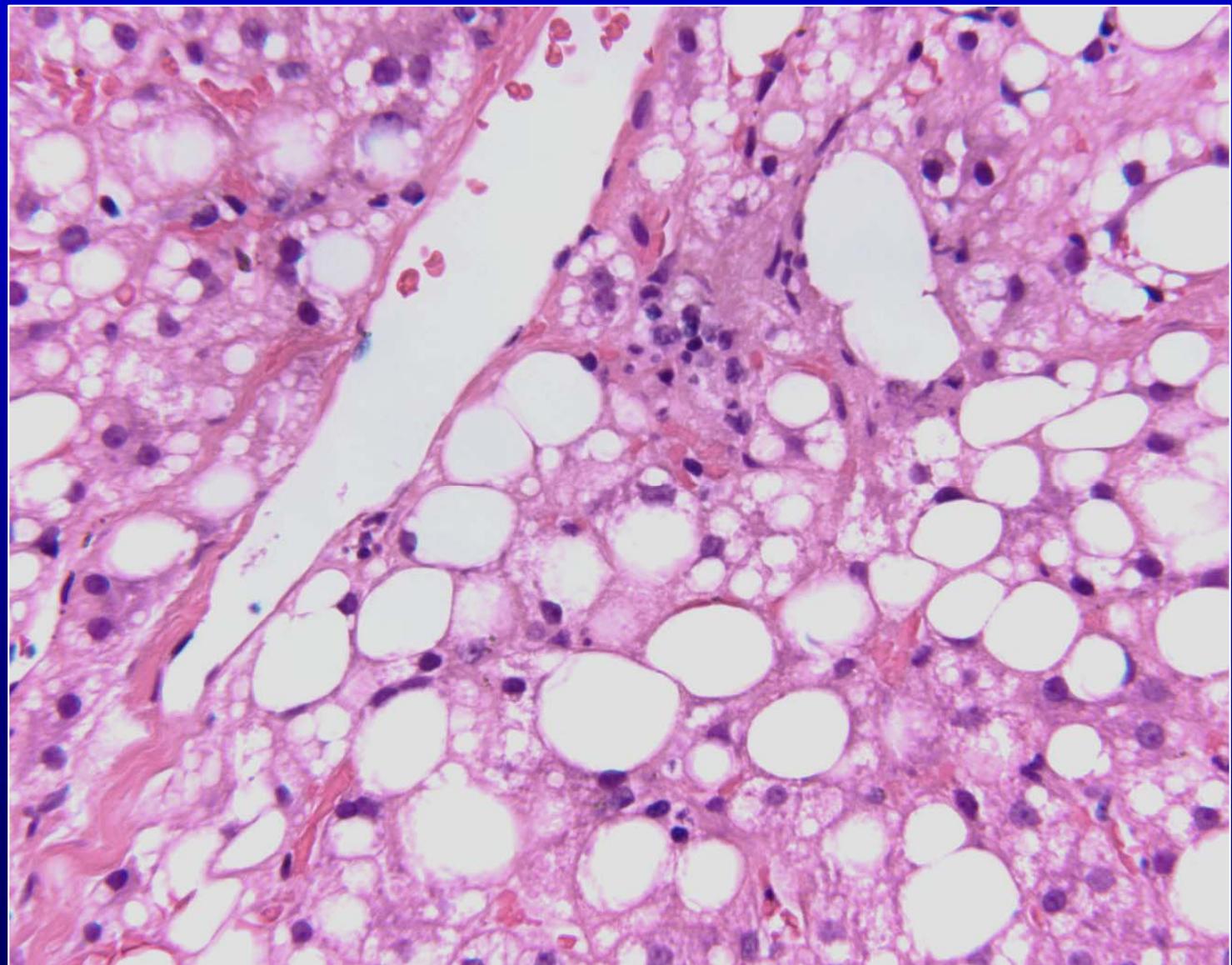
# Steatosis



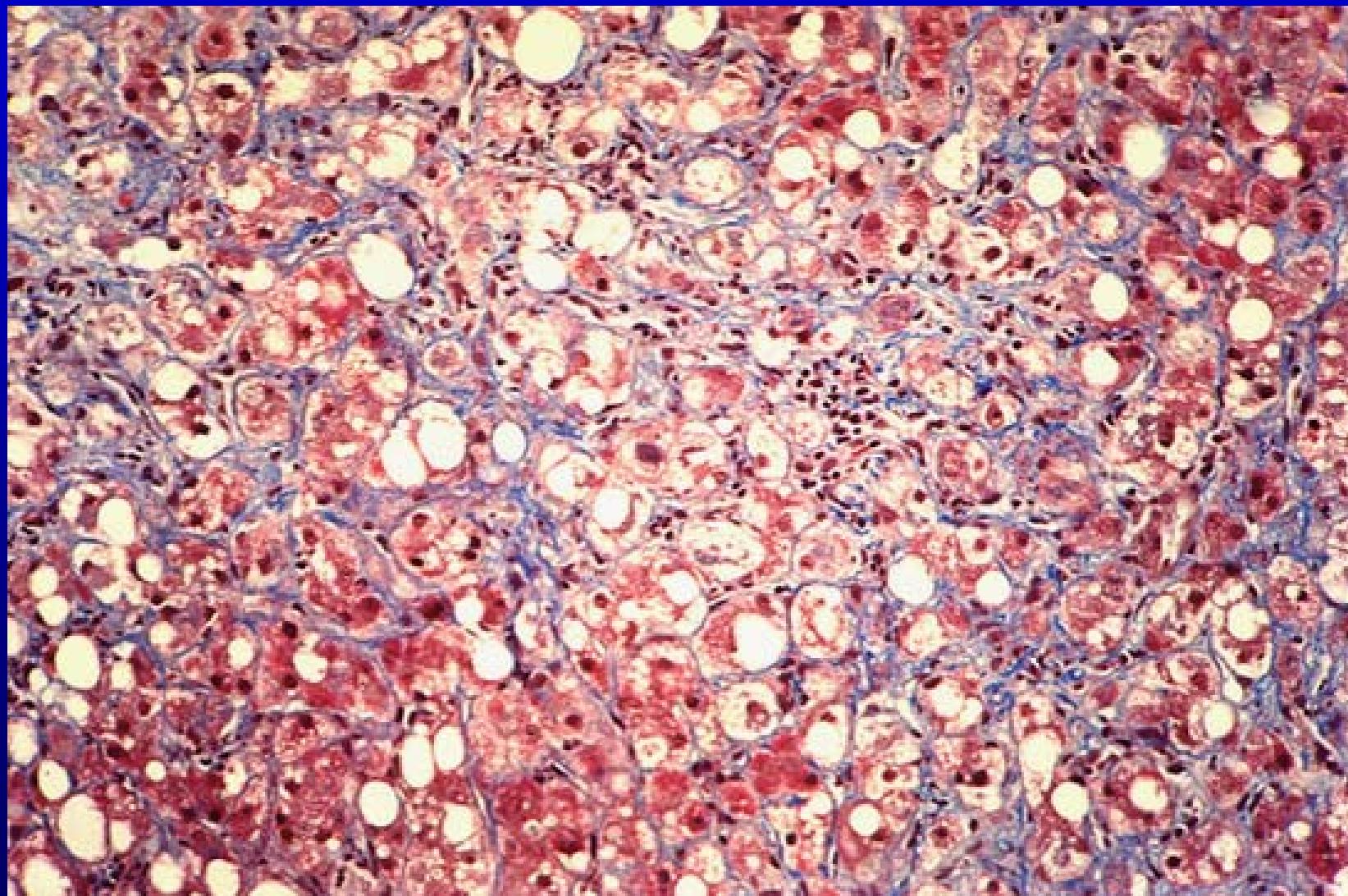
# Alcoholic hepatitis



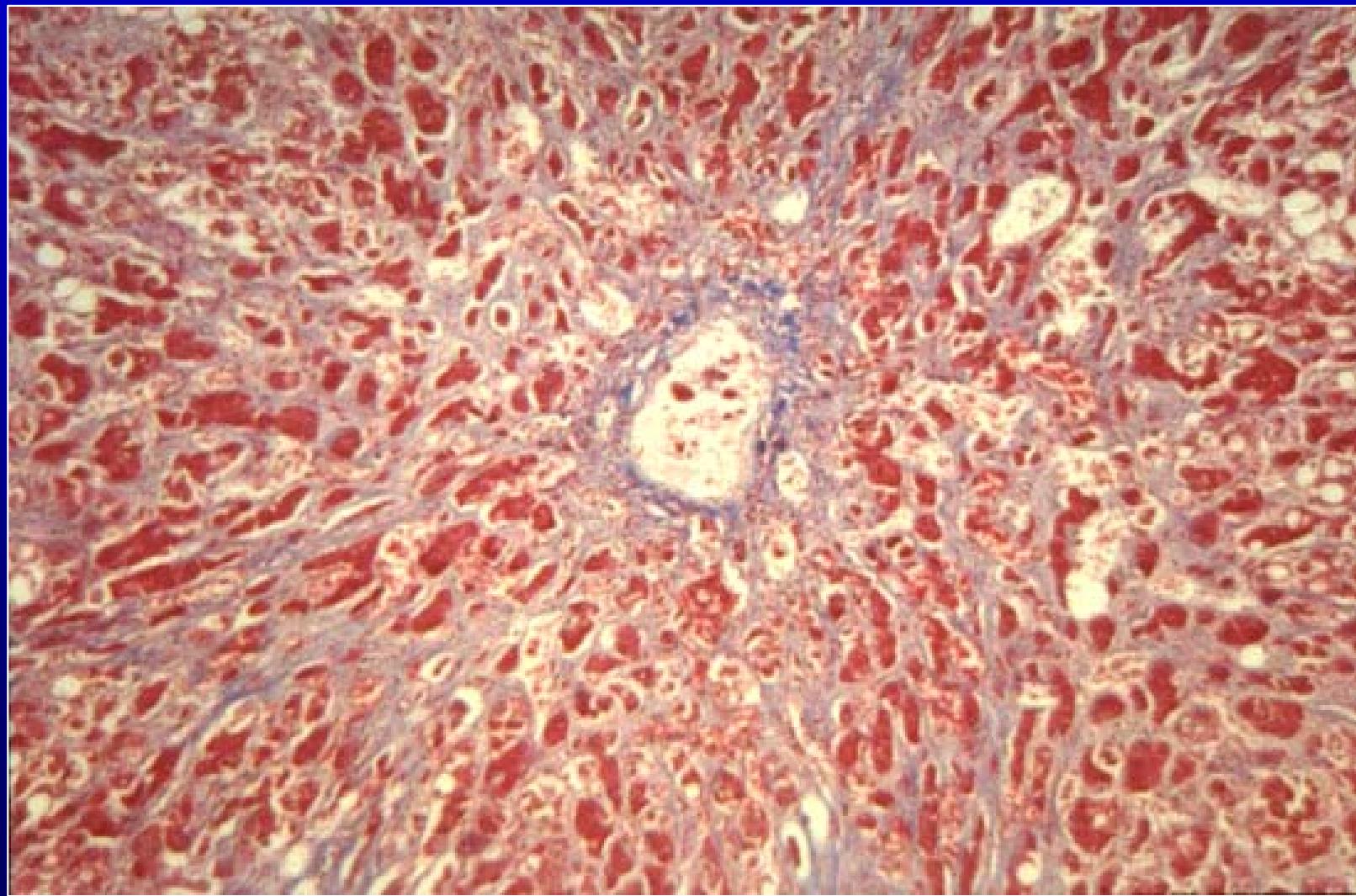
# NASH



# Sinusoidal fibrosis



# Pericentral/sinusoidal fibrosis



# Cirrhosis-etiologies

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- Alcohol (60-70%)
- Chronic viral hepatitis (10-20%)
- Biliary (5-10%)
  - Primary biliary cirrhosis
  - Secondary (i.e.chronic biliary obstruction)
- Metabolic (5%)
  - Hemochromatosis, Wilson's disease
  - $\alpha 1$ -antitrypsin deficiency
- Cryptogenic (10-15%)

# Cirrhosis

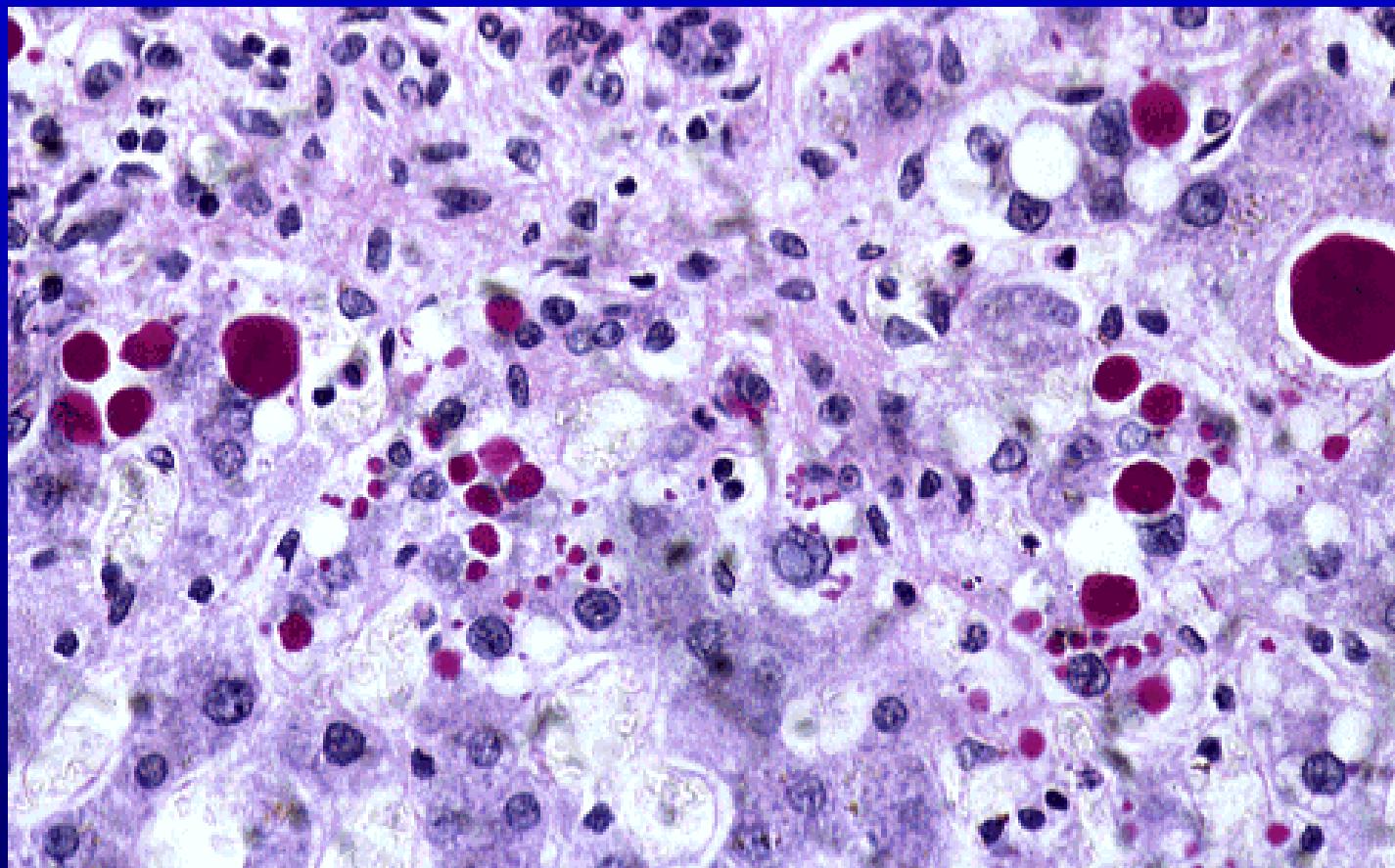


# Cirrhosis- assessment of cause

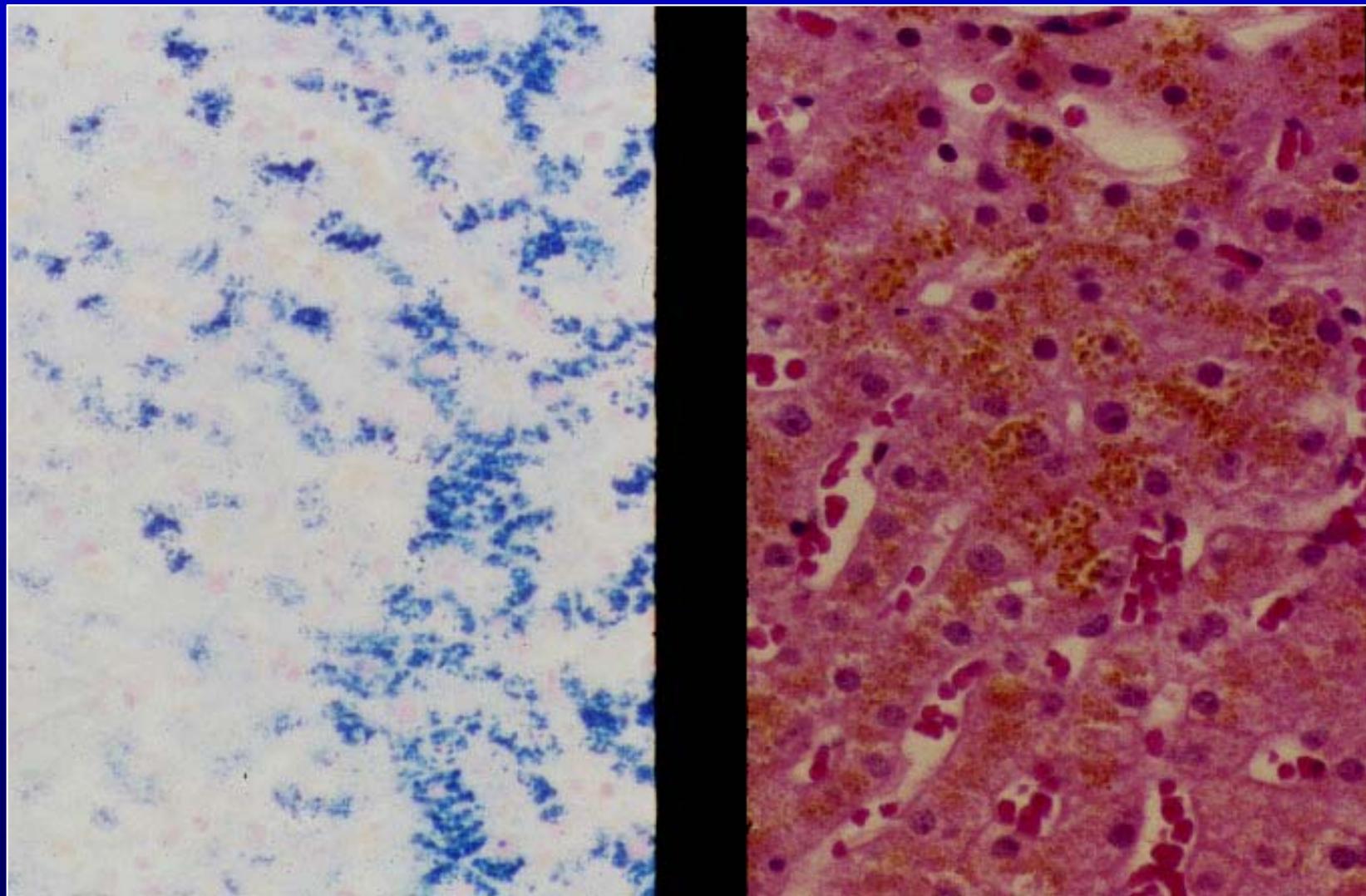
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- Pattern of nodules and fibrosis
- Bile ducts
- Blood vessels
- Steatohepatitis?
- Pattern of hepatitis
- Abnormal deposits

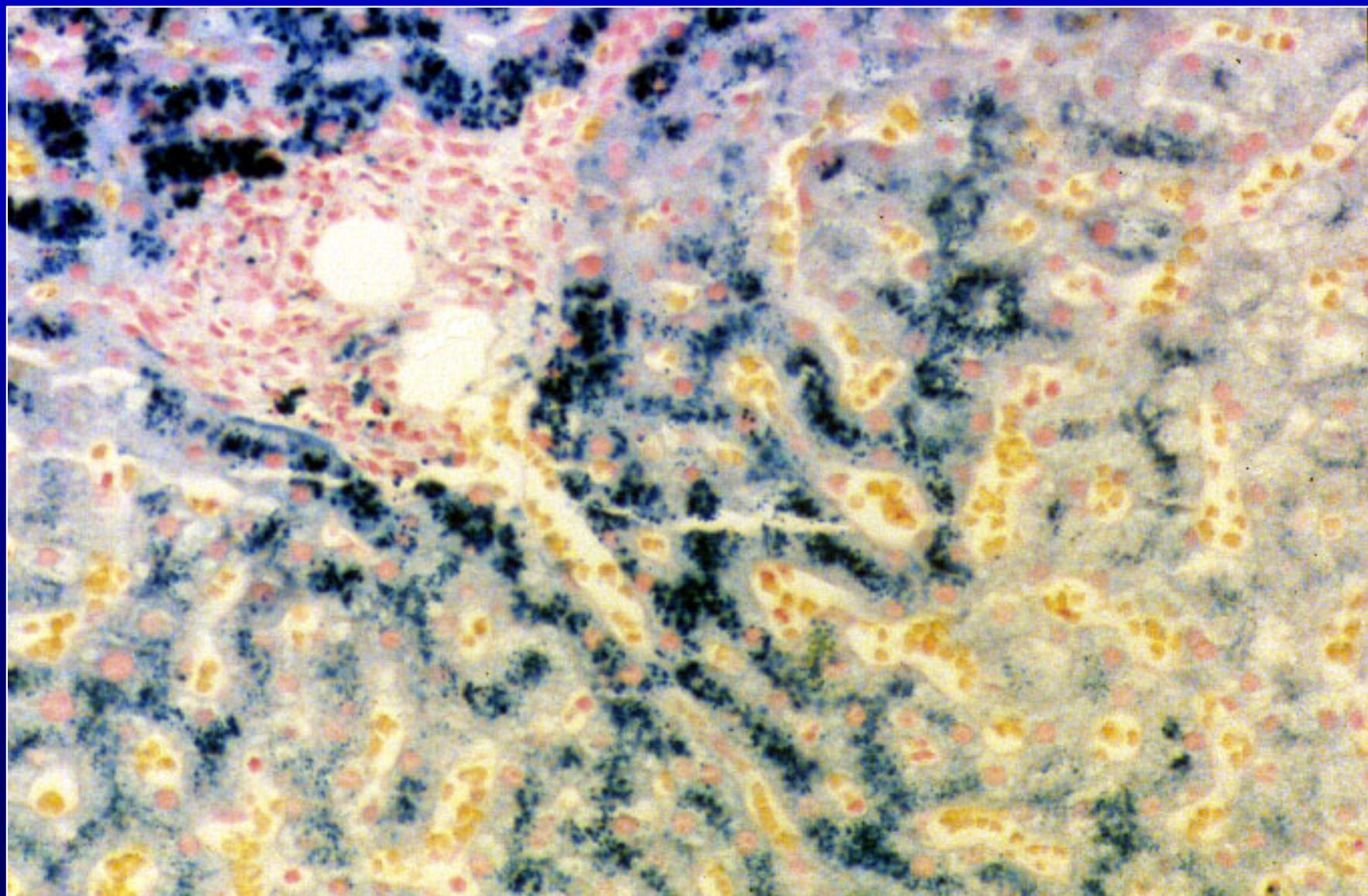
# $\alpha$ 1-antitrypsin deficiency



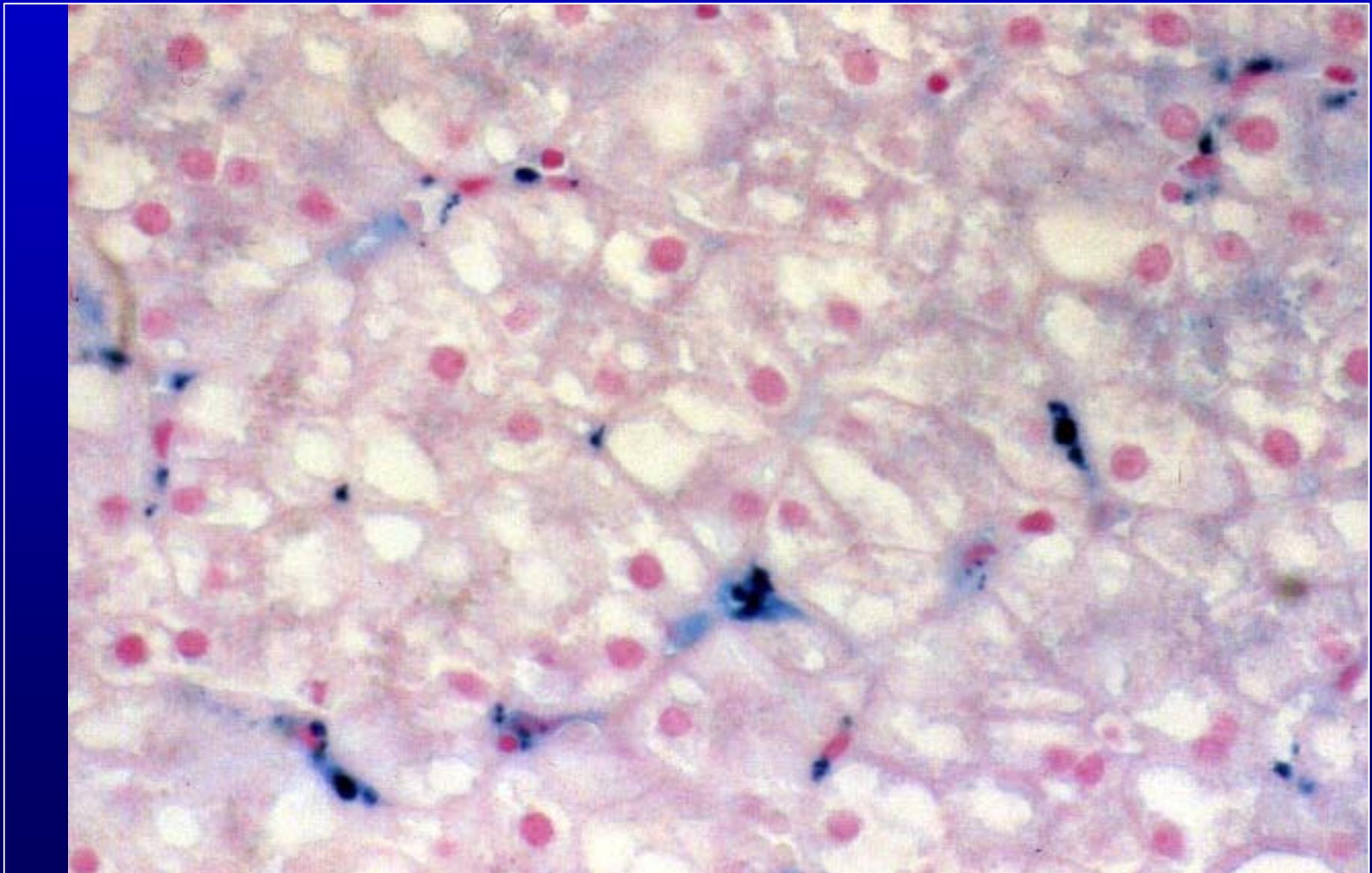
# Hemochromatosis



# Hemochromatosis



# secondary iron overload



# Wilson's disease

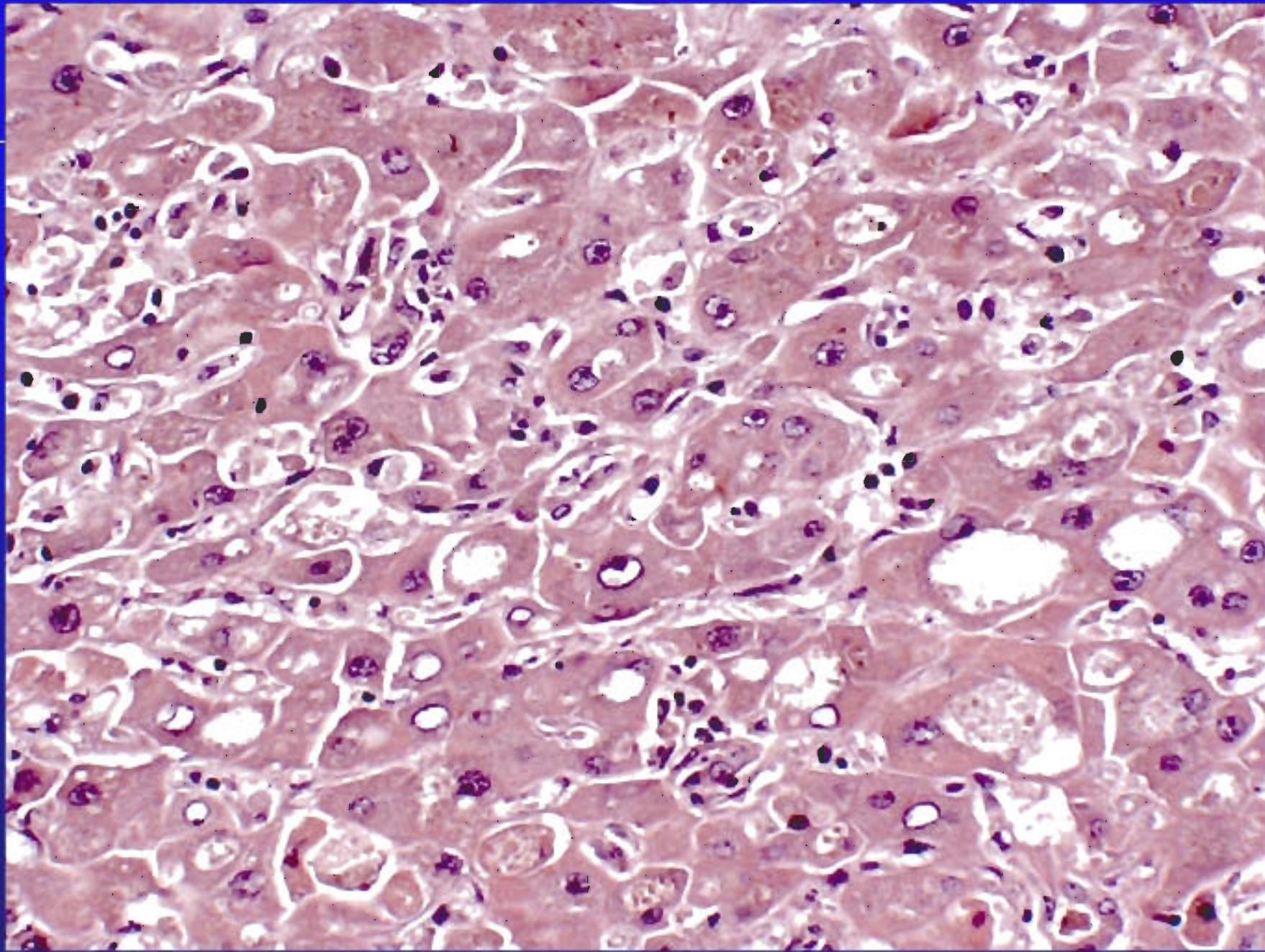
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- Autosomal recessive disorder of copper overload
- Incidence 1:30,000
- Age of onset: 3-40 years
- Molecular defect:
  - ATP7B gene, 13q12
  - membrane ATPase with copper-binding domains
  - missense mutations in ATP-binding domain

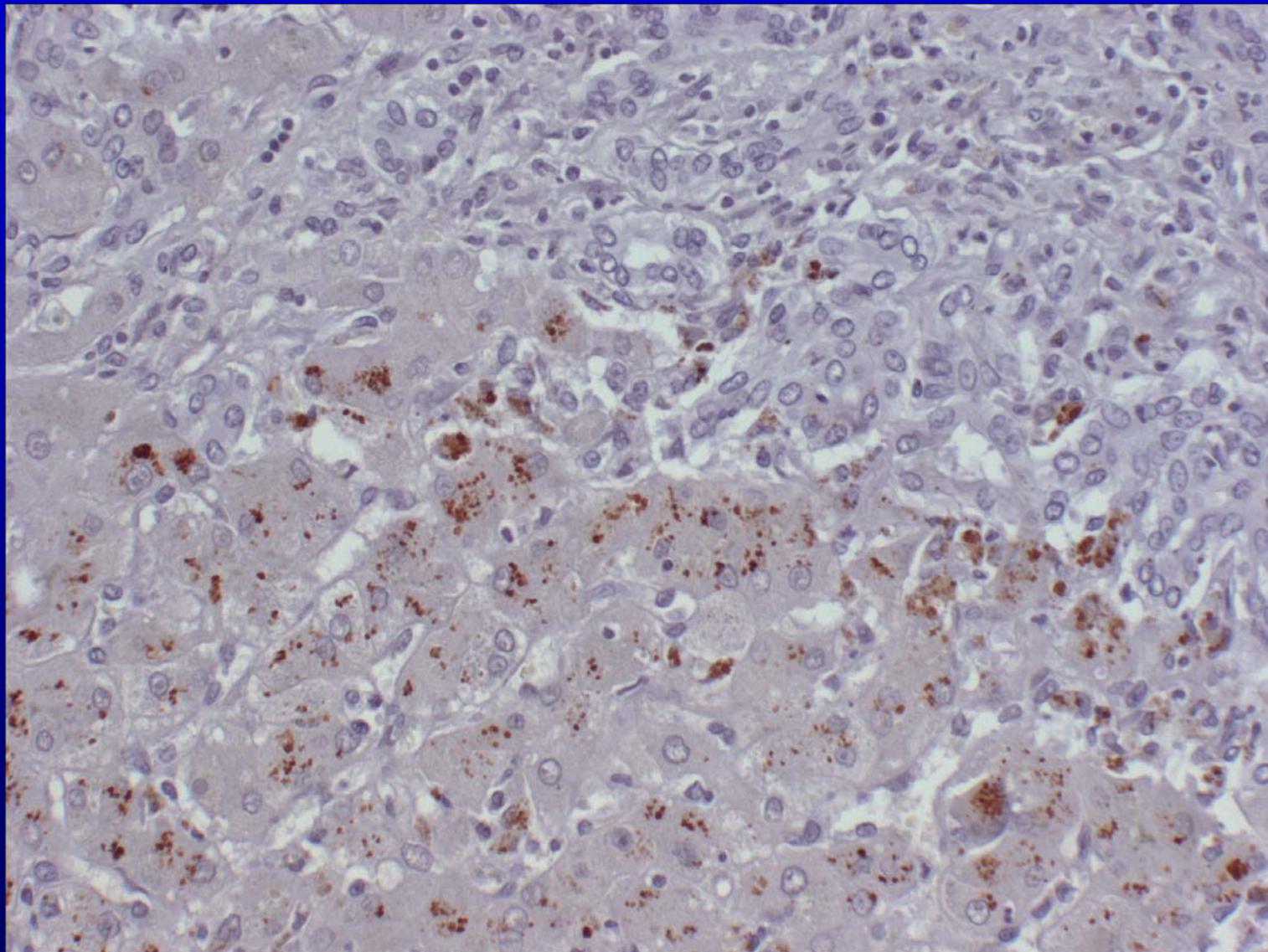
# Wilson's disease- hepatic pathology

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- Early (precirrhotic):
  - chronic hepatitis, steatosis
  - ballooning, Mallory bodies , apoptotic bodies
  - glycogenated nuclei
  - Cu stain may be negative
- Fulminant hepatic failure
- Late (cirrhotic)



# Copper stain



# Hepatocellular Neoplasms and Masses

## With cirrhosis

- Macroregenerative Nodule
- Borderline (dysplastic) Nodule
- Hepatocellular Carcinoma

## Without cirrhosis

- Hepatic adenoma
- Focal nodular hyperplasia
- Fibrolamellar HCC
- HCC
- Nodular regenerative hyperplasia

# Hepatic malignancies

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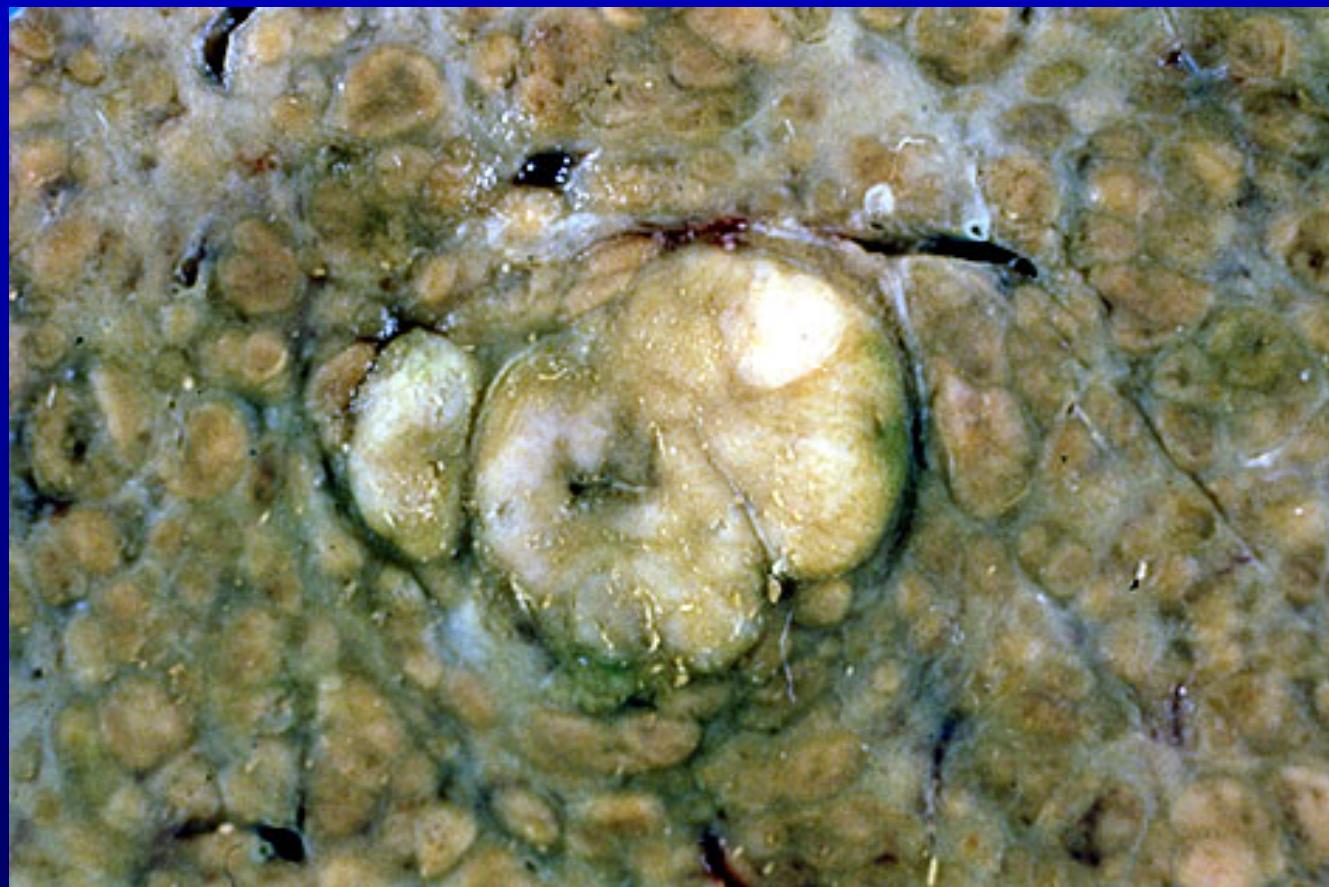
- Overall, metastases most common

## Primary Hepatic malignancies

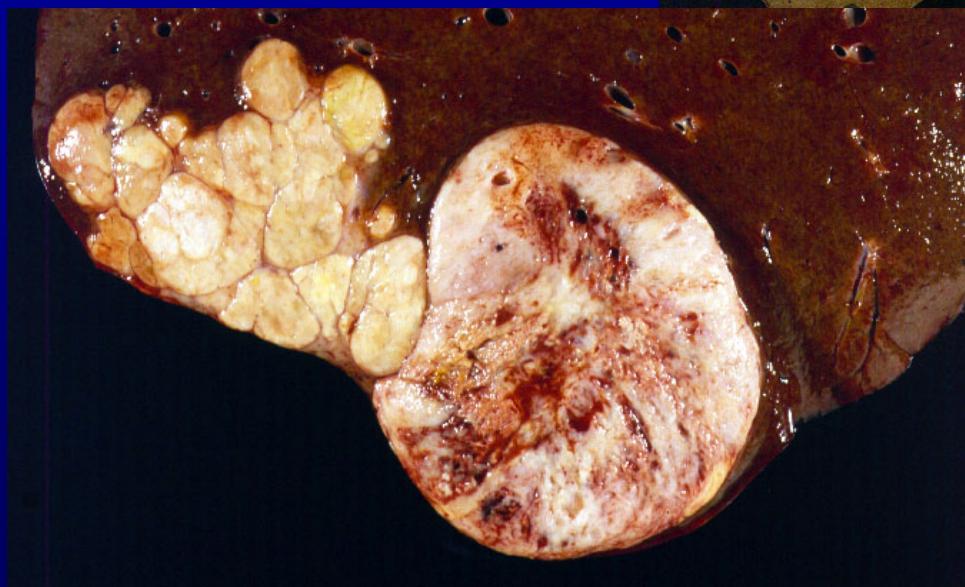
- Hepatocellular CA 65-70%
- Intrahepatic cholangioCA 20%
- HCC-cholangioCA 2%
- Sarcomas, lymphoma, other 2-3%

# HCC-Gross

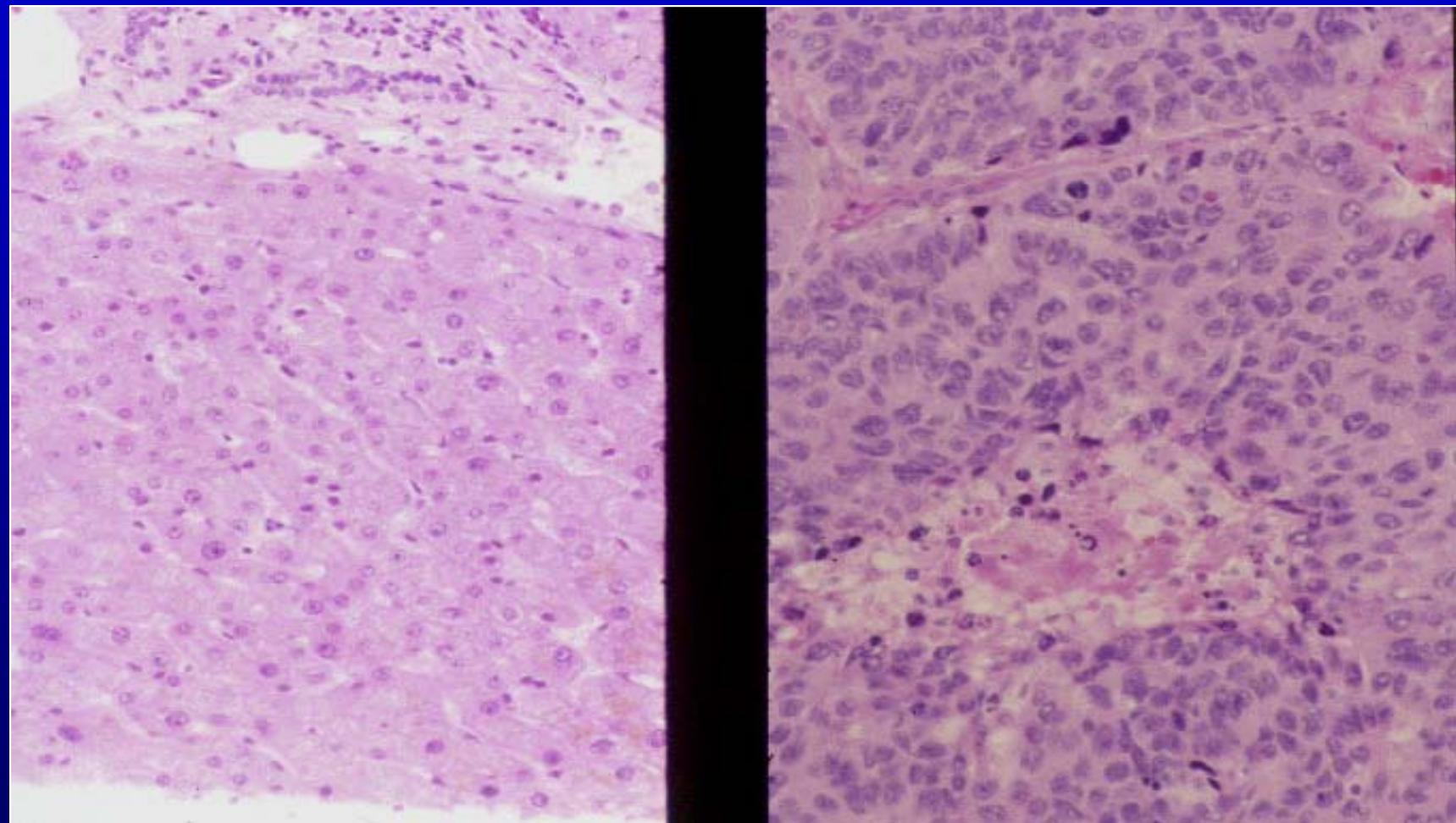
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# HCC- gross



# Non-neoplastic vs neoplastic hepatocytes



Normal

HCC

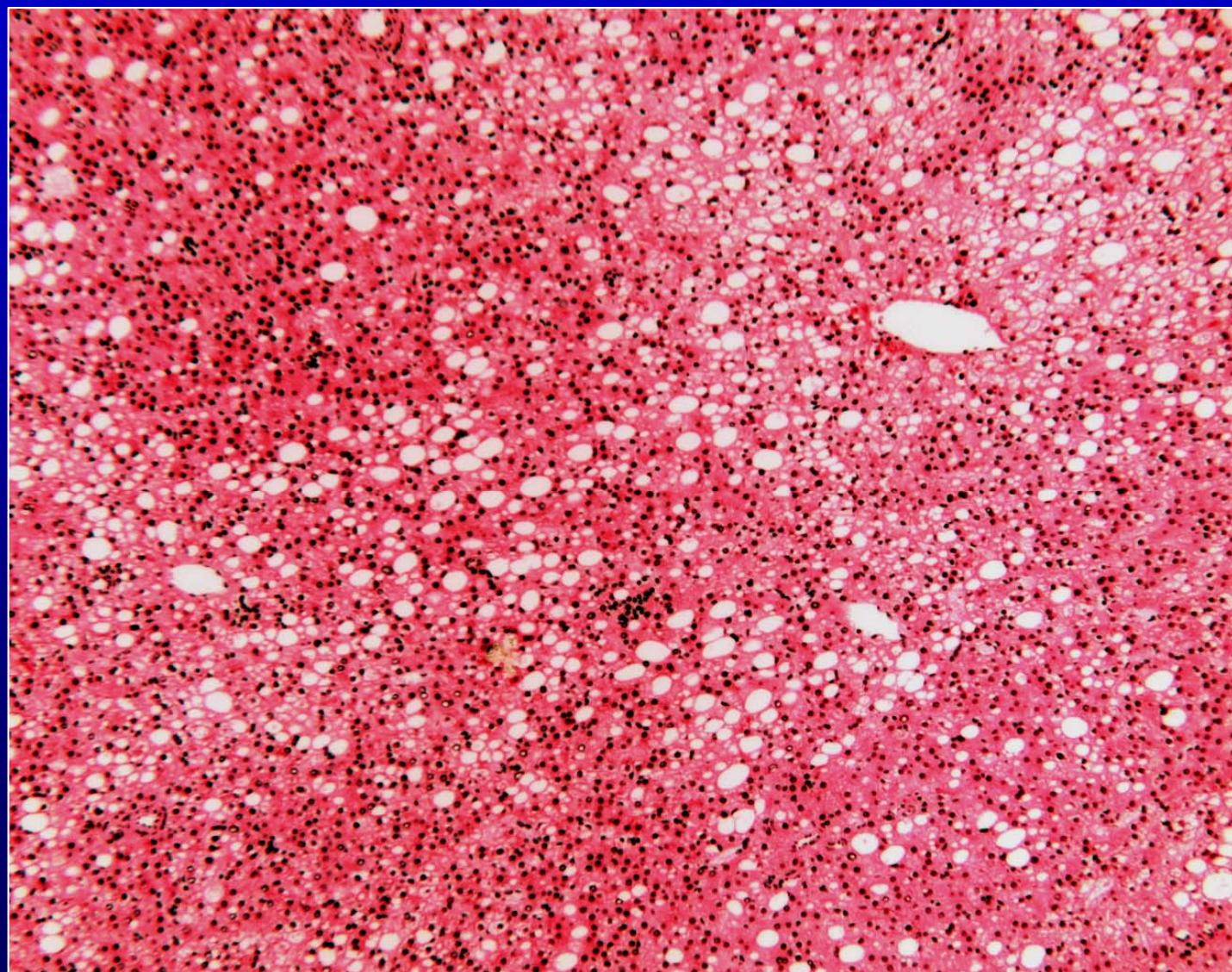
# HCCa vs regenerative nodule

Feature	HCC	Regen nodule
Plates>2 cells thick	++	-
Small cell change	++	-/+
Portal tracts	-	+
Infiltrative edge	+/-	-

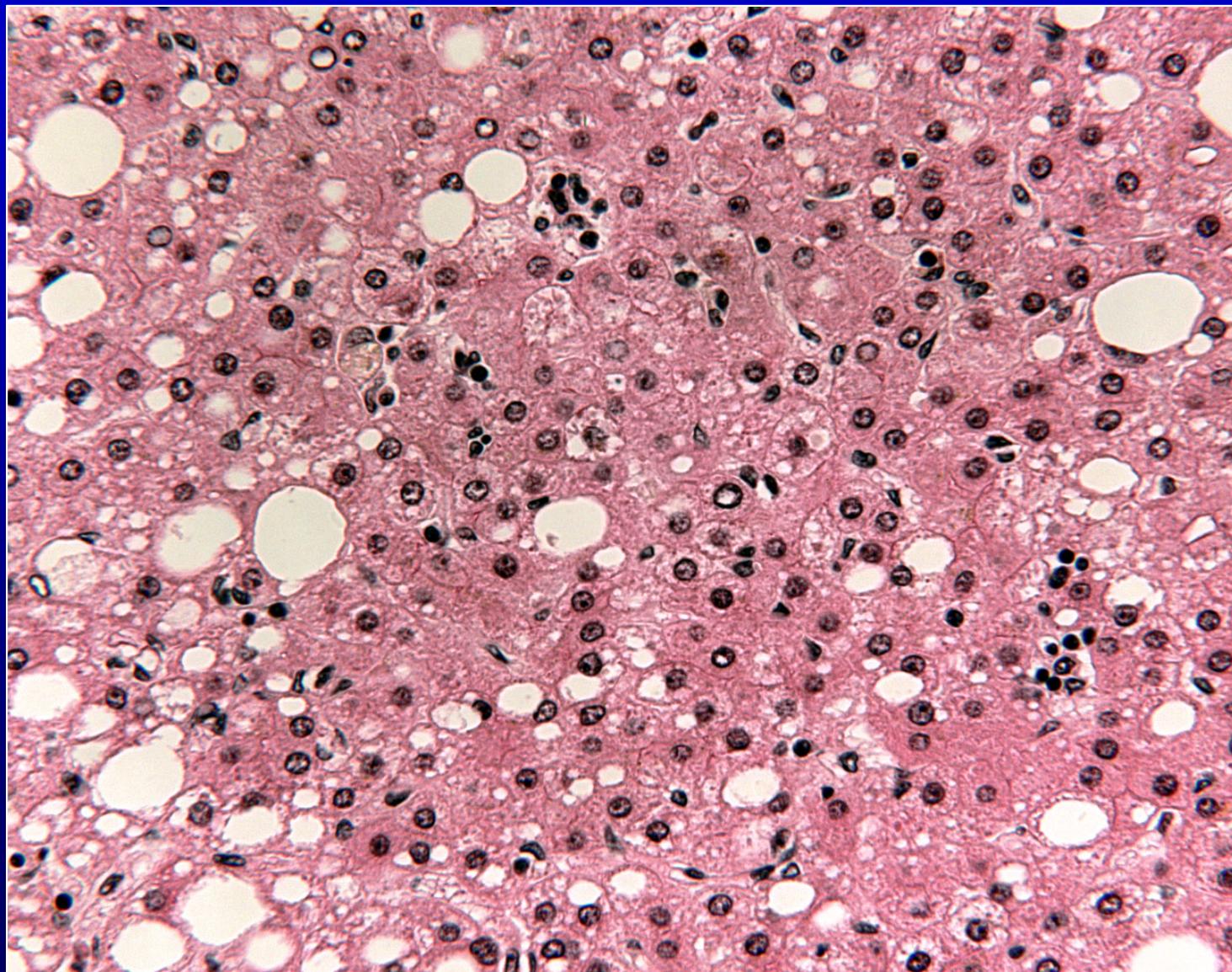
# Hepatic adenoma-gross



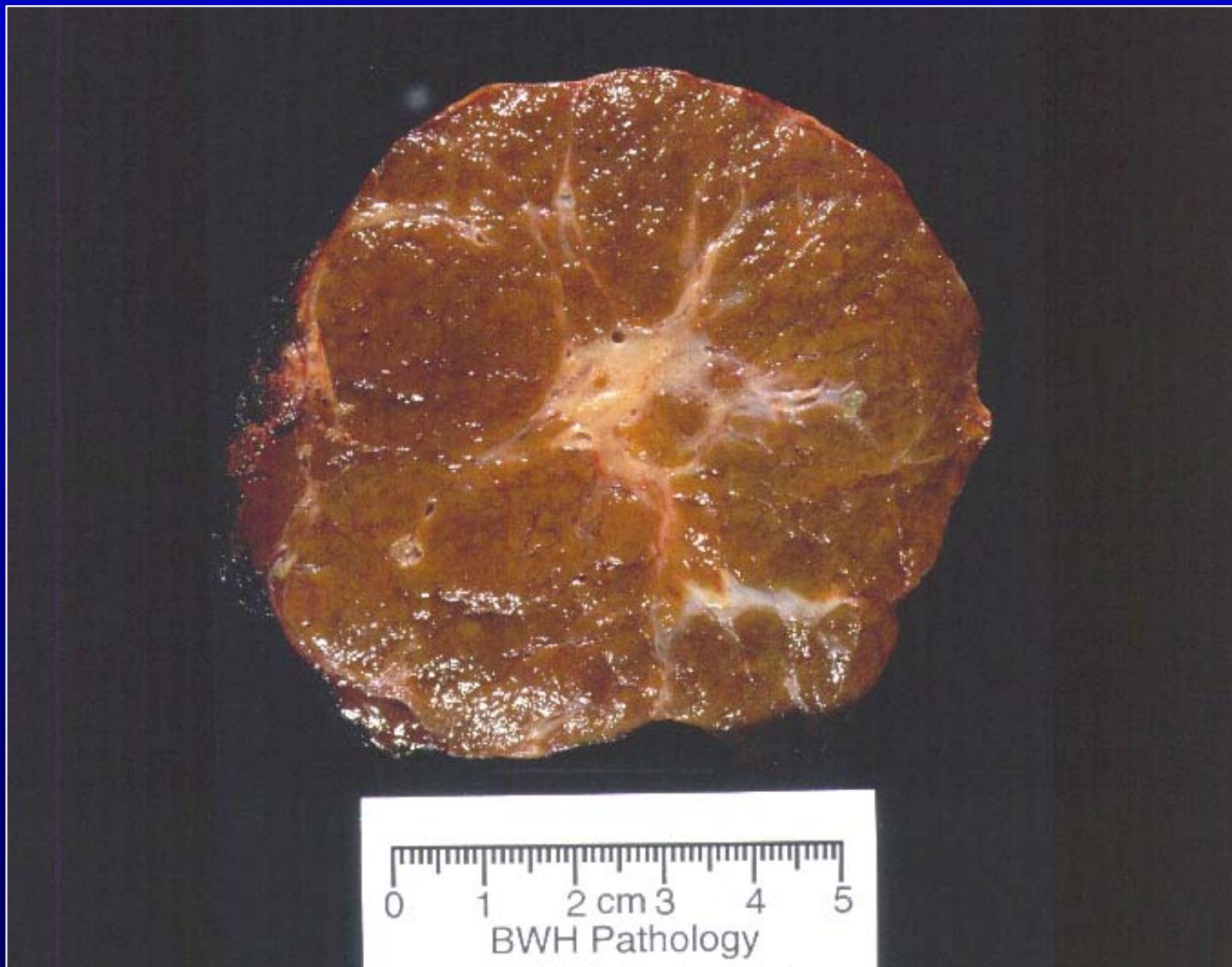
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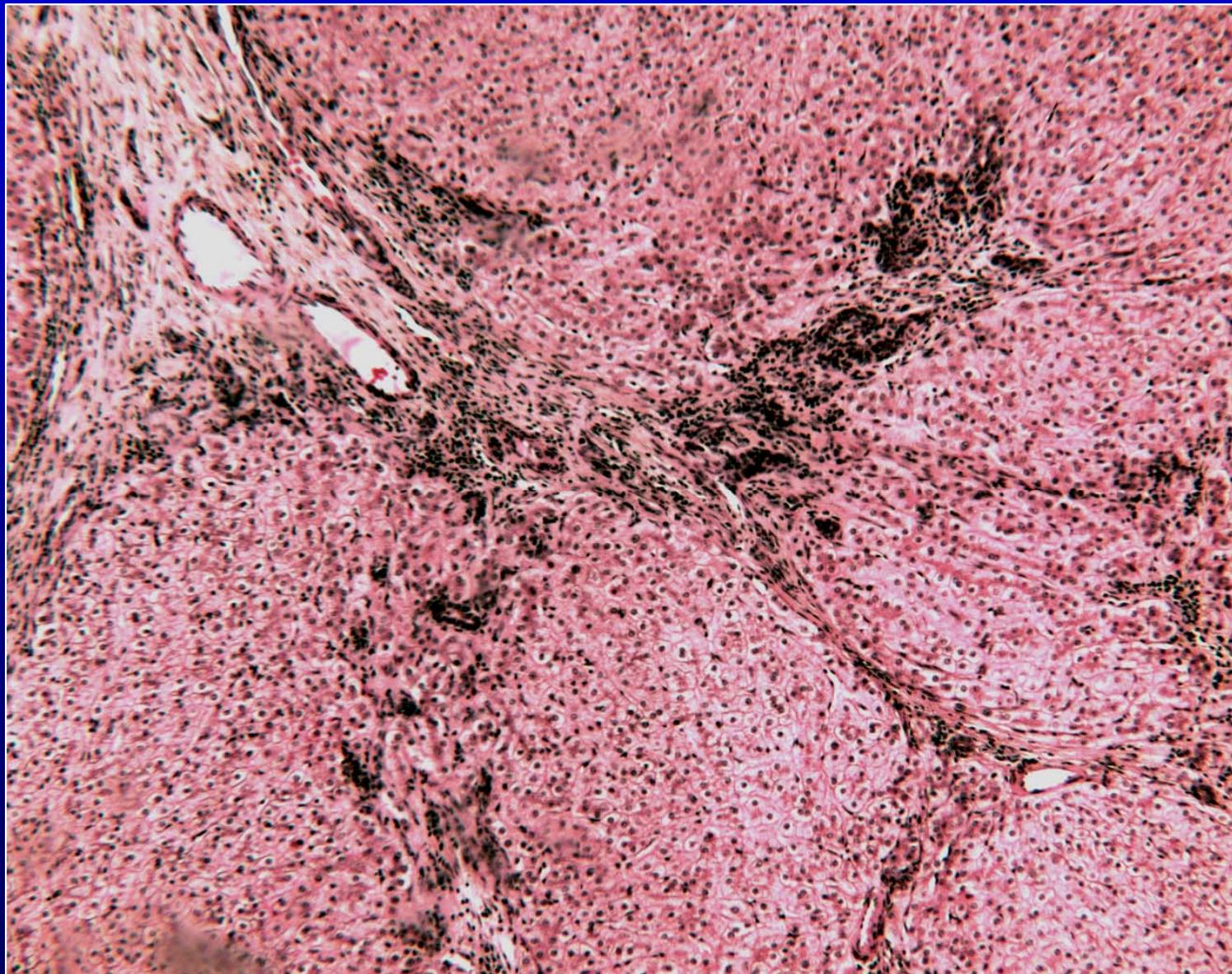
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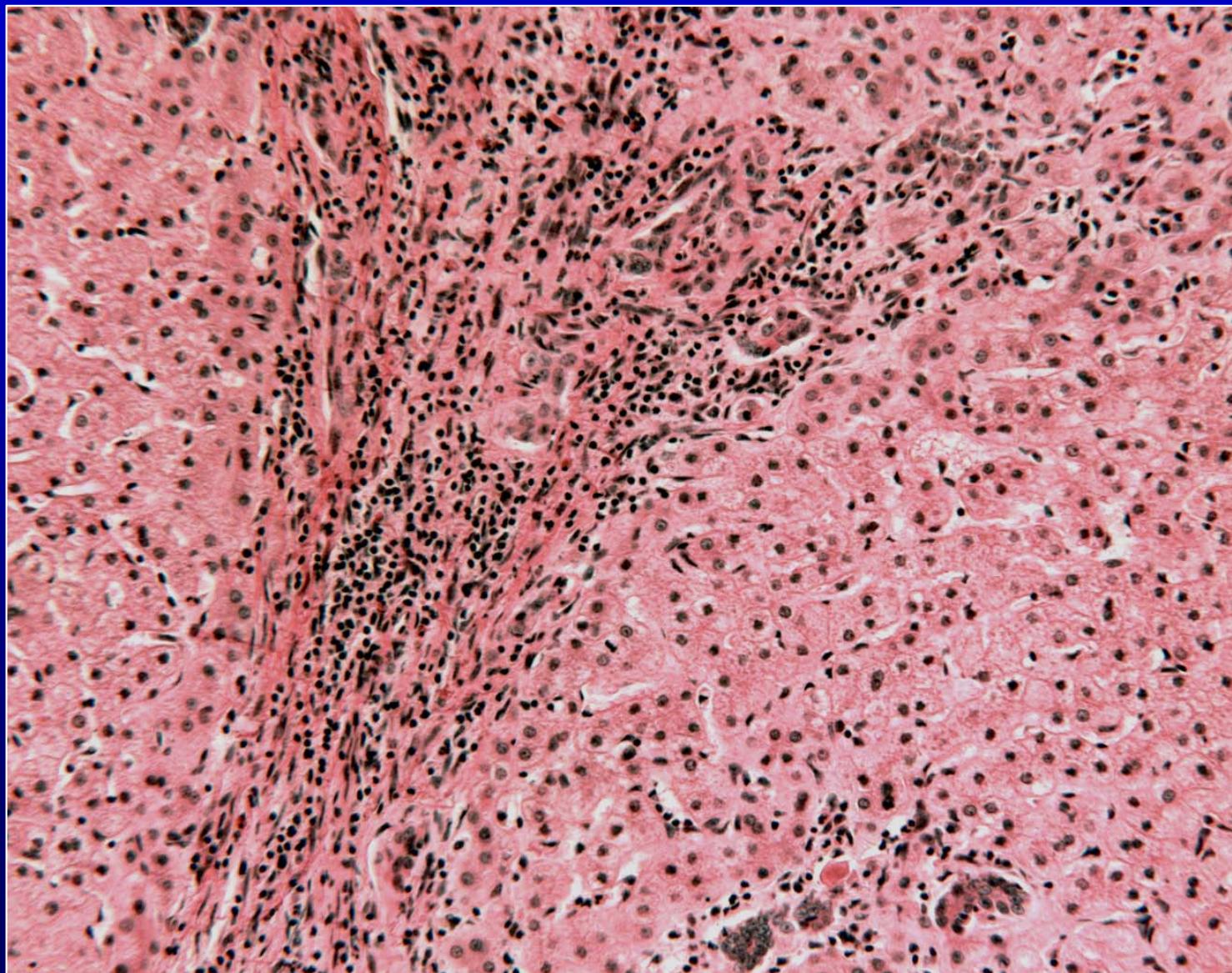
# Focal nodular hyperplasia- gross



# Focal nodular hyperplasia



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# Fibrolamellar HCC

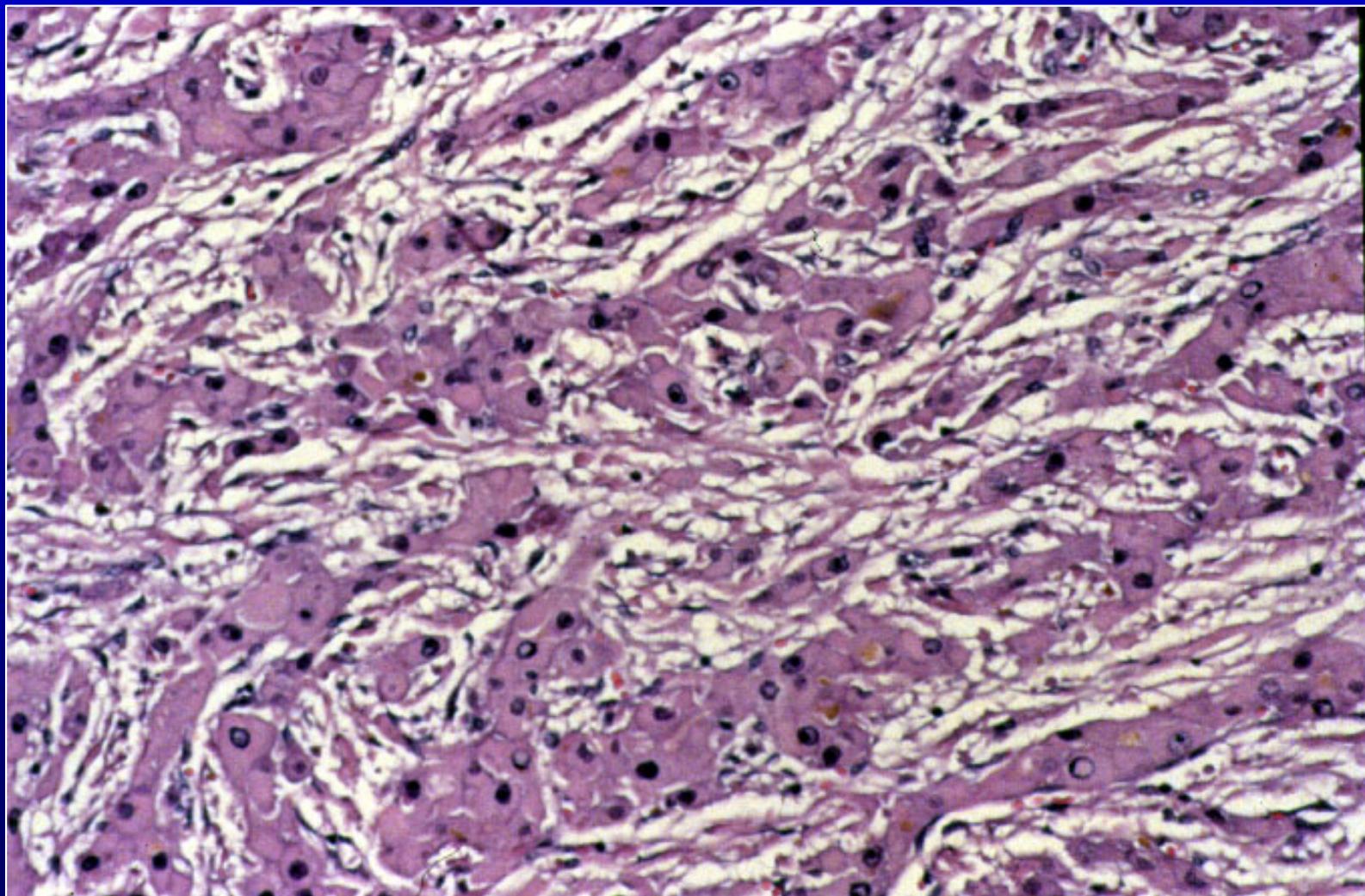
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- young adults, M=F
- Low **association** with cirrhosis (<10%), HBV, HCV
- **Gross:** Firm circumscribed mass, central fibrous septa
- **Micro:** Nests, cords of eosinophilic tumor cells  
Lamellar bands of collagen surrounding tumor cells
- **Prognosis:** slow growing, resected 5 year survival 40-50%
- **Ddx:** FNH, HCC, metastatic CA

# Fibrolamellar HCC- gross



# Fibrolamellar HCC



# Cholangiocarcinoma

