Interesting Case Conference

08/13/2012

HISTORY

- 31 year old female
- PMH
 - Familial adenosis polyposis syndrome diagnosed
 @ age 17 with colectomy in 1999
 - Polycystic ovarian syndrome
 - AND ...

HISTORY

• Retroperitoneal mass, left, resection (5/2012):

Adrenocortical carcinoma, high-grade by mitotic activity.

ADRENOCORTICAL CARCINOMA

Tumor Size: 11.9 x 9.1 x 6.2 cm

Tumor Weight: 1,243 grams, including kidney

Capsular Invasion: Yes

Vascular Invasion: Yes

Surgical Margins: Negative

Necrosis: Yes

Mitotic Rate: 148 mitoses per 50 high power fields

Grade: High Lymph nodes status: N/A

Extra-adrenal extension: Yes, focal soft tissue extension

Stage: III

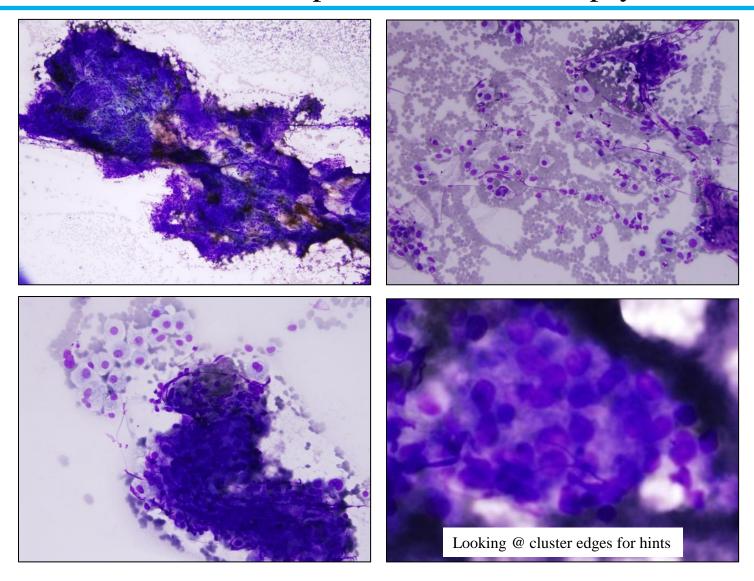
Immunohistochemistry: (+) α -inhibin, synaptophysin, CD56, calretinin (focal), melan-A

(-) myoglobin, CAM 5.2, EMA

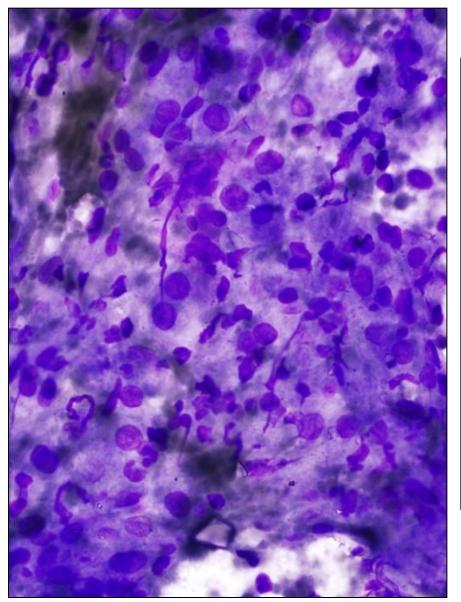
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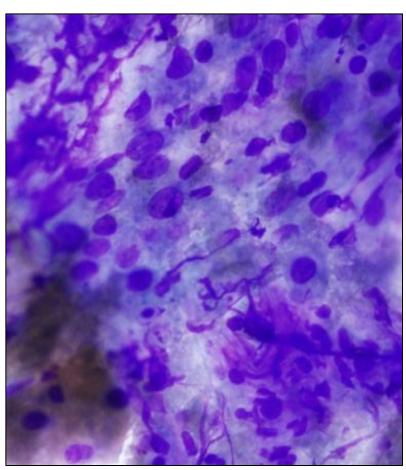
- Subsequent CT and PET scans
 - More lesions seen than before adrenalectomy (bilateral pulmonary nodules, liver nodules, midabdomen lesion)

Right pulmonary nodule: Fine needle aspiration and core biopsy

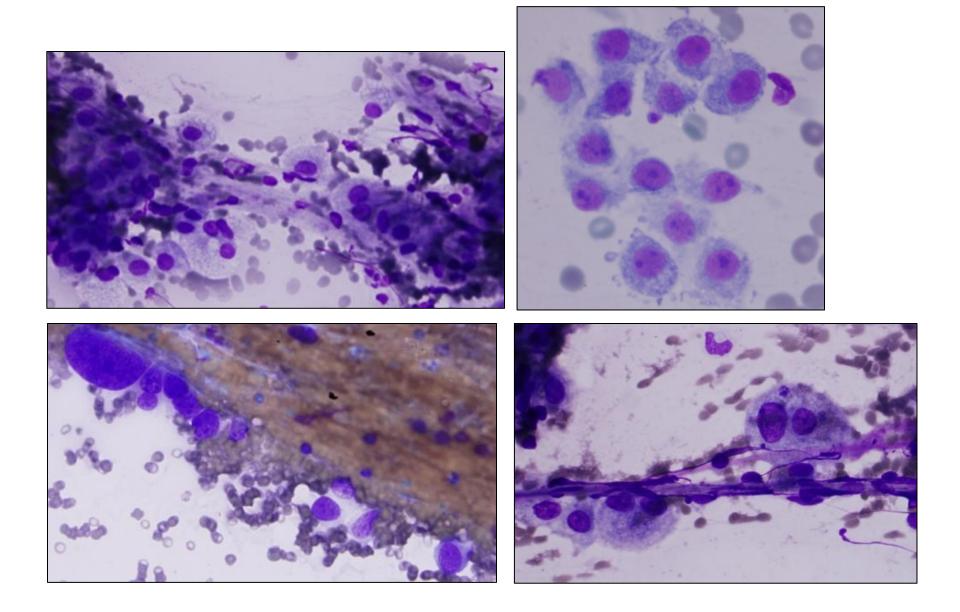


Diff-Quik stain: Looking through lighter areas of clusters

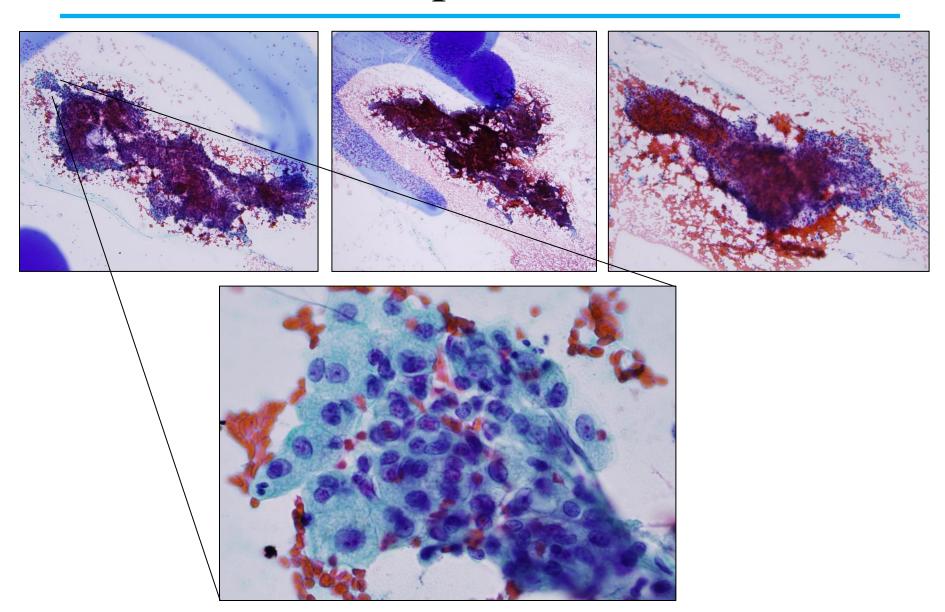




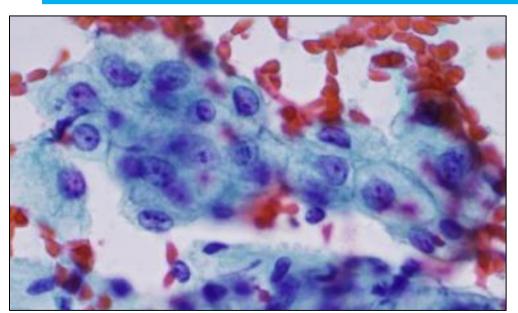
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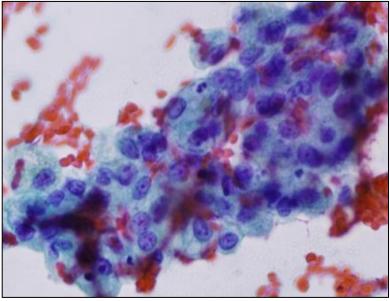


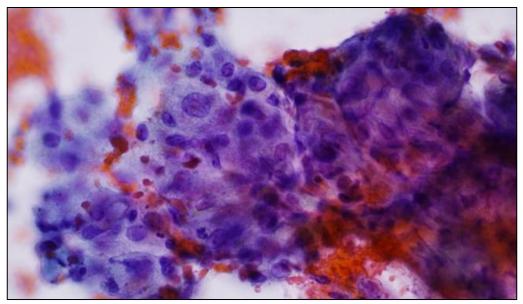
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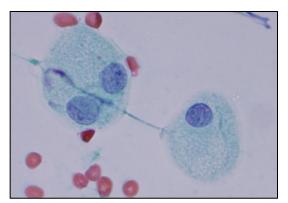
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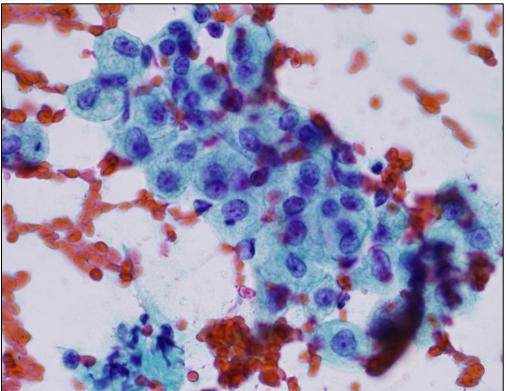


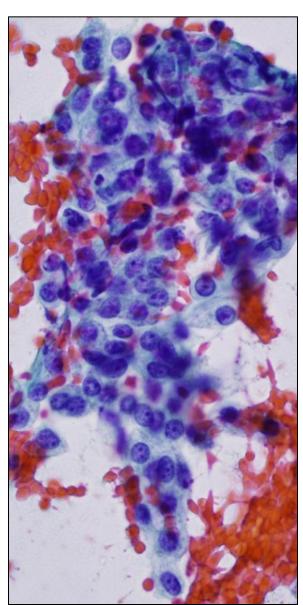




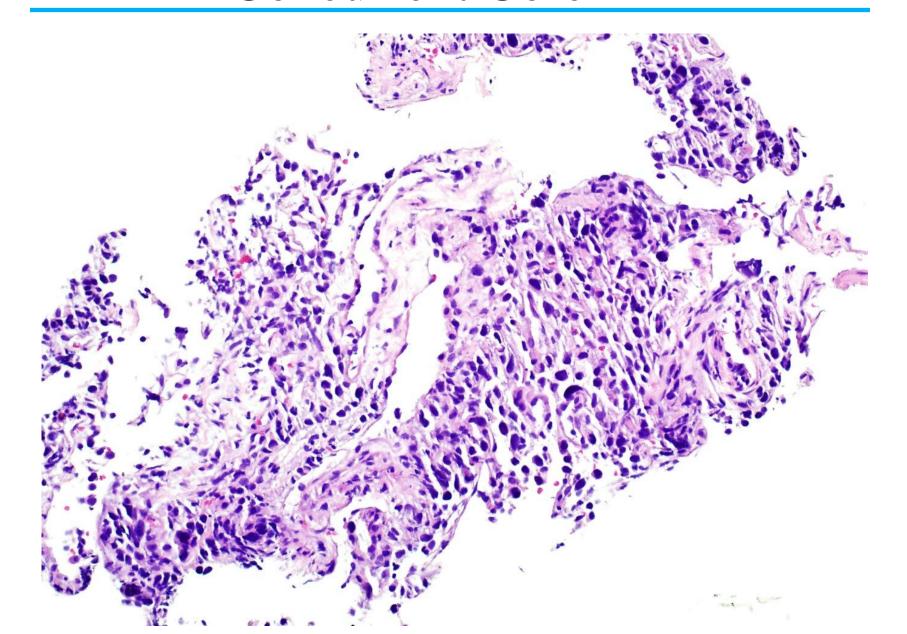
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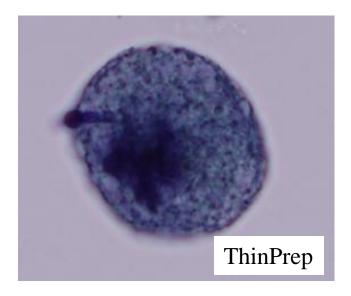
Concurrent Core Bx



DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS

Adrenocortical carcinoma

- But if you didn't know the history...
 - Histiocytes
 - Renal cell carcinoma
 - Clear cell carcinoma
 - etc.



FINAL DIAGNOSIS

- Lung, right pulmonary nodule, fine needle aspiration and core biopsy:
 - Positive for malignant cells, morphologically consistent with metastasis from the patient's adrenocortical carcinoma.
 - Procedures performed at an outside hospital; blocks not available for confirmatory immunostains.

LESSONS

- As always, history is important.
- For thick clusters, look at the edges for better visualization of the cells.

FOLLOW-UP

• Recommendation of doxorubicin, cisplatin, etoposide, and mitotane regimen.