

- Soft tissue Tumors II



Lecture 36: Soft tissue tumors II

At the end of session the student should be able to:

- Discuss benign and malignant fibrohistiocytic tumors

- Describe morphological changes of benign and malignant fibrohistiocytic tumors
- Discuss benign and malignant smooth muscle tumors
- Describe morphological changes of benign and malignant smooth muscle tumors

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Fibrohistiocytic Tumors

- A definition of the fibroblast tumour is required a range of **cellular differentiation**, consists of spindle-cell morphology, **vimentin-staining**
- **Fibrohistiocytic tumors:**
- **defined as neoplastic tumors contain cellular**

**elements that resemble
both fibroblasts and
histiocytes (macrophages)**

- **The phenotype:fibroblasts&
fibrohistiocytic should be
viewed as descriptive in
nature and not one that
connotes the cell of origin.**



Fibrohistiocytic

Tumor classification

- **I. Benign fibrohistiocytic tumor:**

**1-Benign Fibrous histiocyoma
(Dermatofibroma)**

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- **II. Malignant fibrohistiocytic tumor:**

2-Dermatofibrosarcoma protuberans (DFSP)

3- Malignant fibrous histiocytoma (MFH)



Benign

Fibrohistiocytic Tumors

FIBROUS HISTIOCYTOMA (DERMATOFIBROMA)

- **Site: Common lesion-dermis and subcutis.**
- **Age: presents in mid-adult life (F>M).**
- **Clinically: It is painless and slow growing.**

- **Morphologic features:**
 - **Gross:** firm, small mobile nodule, skin intact.
 - **Circumscribed- sharp border between tumor & subcutis**

- **Basophilia is due to increased cellularity**
- **Storiform pattern arranged foam cells, fibroblasts and histiocyte-like cells; foam cells are somewhat specific for this lesion.(positive Vimentin, Factor XIIIa, CD34)**

■ **CASE- 1**

Skin nodule over right thigh in a 38 year old woman, excisional biopsy done with safe margin?



Dermatofibrosarcoma **protuberans**

- * **Site: Common lesion- in dermis**
- **Age:** usually adults 20-40 years
- **Clinically:** Low grade malignancy, Locally aggressive, low rate of metastasis,

- **Morphologic features:**
- **Gross:** firm, papulo-nodular skin lesion.
- **Un-circumscribed- locally aggressive, entrappment.**

- **Tight Storiform pattern, radiating& infiltrating subcutaneous fat.** Hemorrhage and necrosis are rare
- **Special stains(Positive Vimentin, Negative for CD34)**

■ **CASE 2**

Left chest wall recurrent nodule slowly growing for 15 years with sudden recent growth in a 43 year old woman, with another papulonodular lesion on the thigh, chest lump is excised with safe

margin and sent for histopathology?

■ **Malignant fibrous histiocytoma (MFH)**

- **Groups of soft-tissue tumors, previously diagnosed as MFH, composed of considerable cellular pleomorphic sarcoma with prominent osteoclast-like giant cells-DIAGNOSIS BY EXCLUSION- origin has been debated.**
- **How common: most common type of soft tissue sarcoma of adults. F>M**
- **Currently classified as variants of Fibrosarcoma**

**(myxofibrosarcoma,
pleomorphic fibrosarcoma)**

- **Site: occur in thigh, retroperitoneum and upper limbs, bone, muscles, cartilage**
- **Associated with radiation therapy or surgical scars**
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- **Malignant fibrous histiocyoma MFH**
- **Microscopic features:**
Characterized by
 - 1- Non-circumscribed, unencapsulated highly cellular,
 - 2- “tight” storiform pattern.

3- considerable cytologic pleomorphism with Presence of bizarre multinucleate cells, mitoses

The phenotype of the neoplastic cell:

1- SMA stain: Negative

2- Desmin: Negative

3- CD34: Negative

4- Positive CD68, S100 and S100

■ Case 3

■ 62 year old woman

■ Large subcutaneous mass on anterior aspect of right lower leg



smooth muscle tumors classification

- **I. Benign**
- **1- LEIOMYOMAS
(Benign)**



■ II. Malignant

■ 2- LEIOMYOSARCOMA

■ I. LEIOMYOMAS

(Benign) morphology

- **benign SMT**, They develop in 77% of women.
- **Clinically: depending on (number, size, and location) may cause a variety of symptoms including infertility.**
- **Gross: Solitary “uni-focal” or multiple.**
- **Size > variable** , whorled, firm cut surface, and they are usually not necrotic or hemorrhagic, pseudo-capsulated.

- **Microscopic**
- Fascicles of SMspindle cells that tend to intersect each other at right angles. “storiform pattern”
- The tumor cells have blunt-ended, elongated nuclei and show minimal or no atypia.
- Few mitotic figures (<5 per 10 hpf)
- No necrosis or frequent mitoses.

■ **LEIOMYOSARCOMA- Malignant SMT**

- * Malignant SMT, considered as 10% to 20% of soft-tissue sarcomas
- * Bulky, invasive solid masses into adjacent structure

Age: occur in adults and afflict women > men.

Commonest sites:

- 1) Retroperitoneum.**
- 2) Deep soft tissues of the extremities.**
- 3) Uterus**
- 4) Blood vessels**
- 5) Superficial dermis.**

Clinical outcome: depend on the size& site.

(Prognosis of cutaneous tumor better> retroperitoneum)

■ LEIOMYOSARCOMA- Malignant SMT

Morphology:

- a) Gross: Size- large and bulky, infiltrative**
- b) Microscopic: consist of**

- **Malignant spindle cells with cigar-shaped pleomorphic nuclei arranged in interweaving fascicles.**

- **Brisk mitoses**

- **Necrosis- coagulative**

c) Immunohistochemical: stain positive with antibodies to smooth muscle actin and desmin.

- **summary**

- **I) Fibrohistiocytic tumor:**

- **A- Dermatofibroma**

- **B- MFH**

- **II) Smooth muscle tumor:**

- **A- Leiomyoma**

- **B- Leiomyosarcoma**
- Excision of the tumour

- **Based on features noticed in next slide**
- **How to differentiated between these sections:**
 - a) MFH?
 - b) Leiomyosarcoma?

- **Spindle cell sarcomas**
- 1- **Adequate clinical history,**
past hx, pre-operative

image and operation findings.

2- Previous biopsy report .

3- Histopathology diagnosis-

- **Study gross appearance.(Consistency, color,..**
- **Study of cells shape and pattern(differen.)**
- **Presence of mitoses, necrosis.**
- **- Presence of multinucleated giant cells,**
- **Heterologus material, Vascular invasion ,**
- **Nerve invasion • Bone invasion.**

4- Immunohistochemical stain & Ancillary techniques

■ **Basic Panel of Immuno markers for Spindle Cell Tumours**

- **Vimentin** (all mesenchymal tumour- SMA, MFH, etc)
- **Cytokeratin/EMA-** (epithelial markers)
- **S100P-** (Smooth muscle tumour- origin)

- **Desmin** (Smooth muscle tumour- origin)
- **SMA** (Smooth muscle tumour- origin)
- **CD34** (benign fibrohistiocytic tumour)
- **Ckit** “CD99” – (GIST)