

Rad-Path Correlate Case Report

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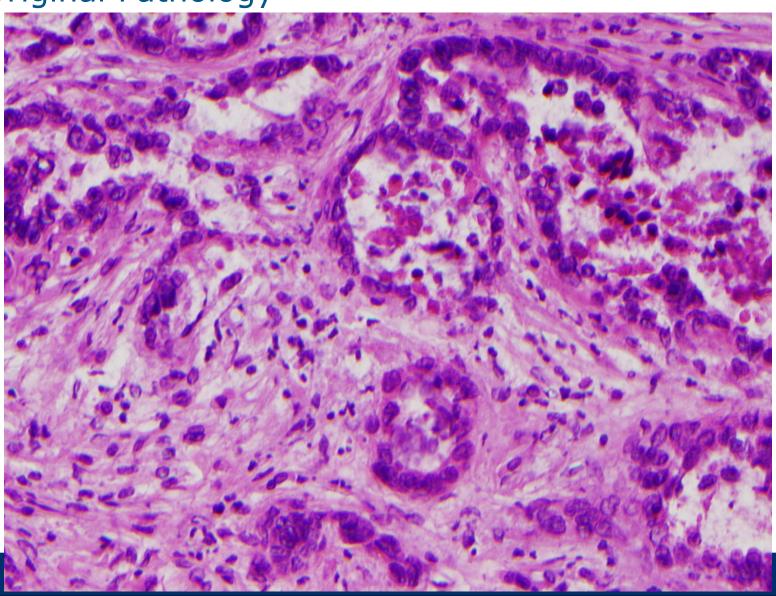


Case Report

- AO is a 65 year old female with prior history of T3N0M0 (PNI+, LVI-) dedifferentiated adenoid cystic carcinoma of the L parotid gland s/p L total parotidectomy and left neck dissection c/b by L facial nerve neuropraxia as well as subsequent completion of adjuvant RT
- She has been followed for several suspicious pulmonary nodules that have slowly increased in size since the completion of her prior RT

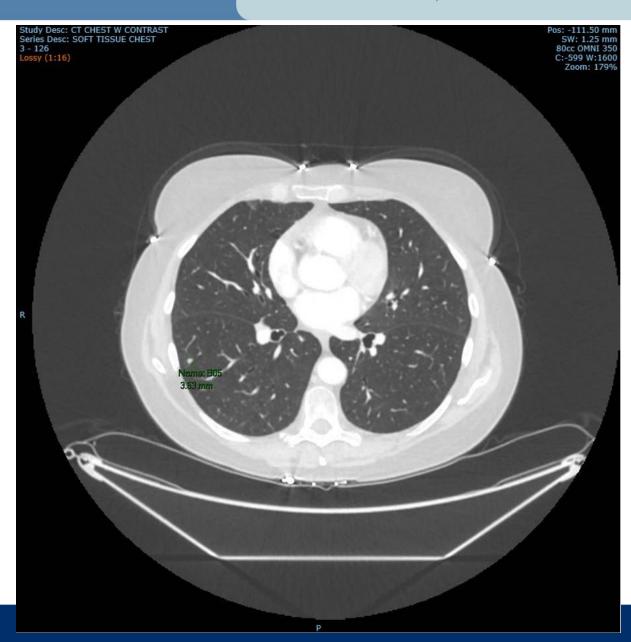


Original Pathology



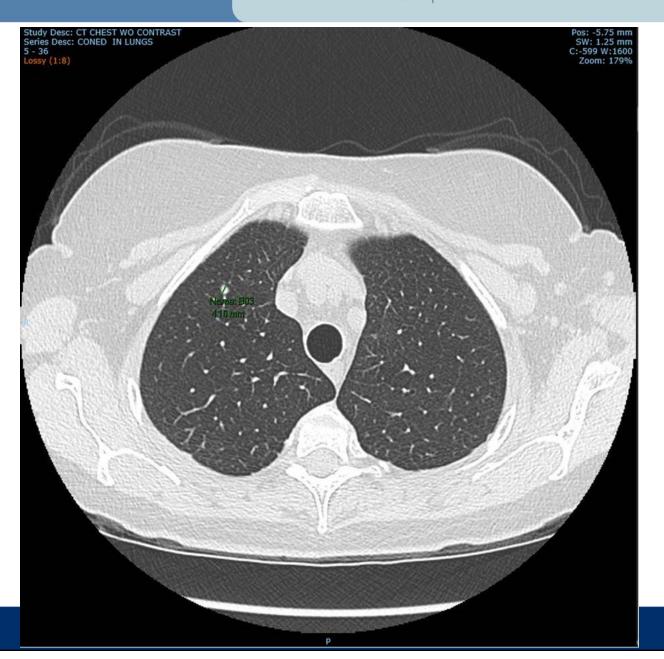


Prior Imaging



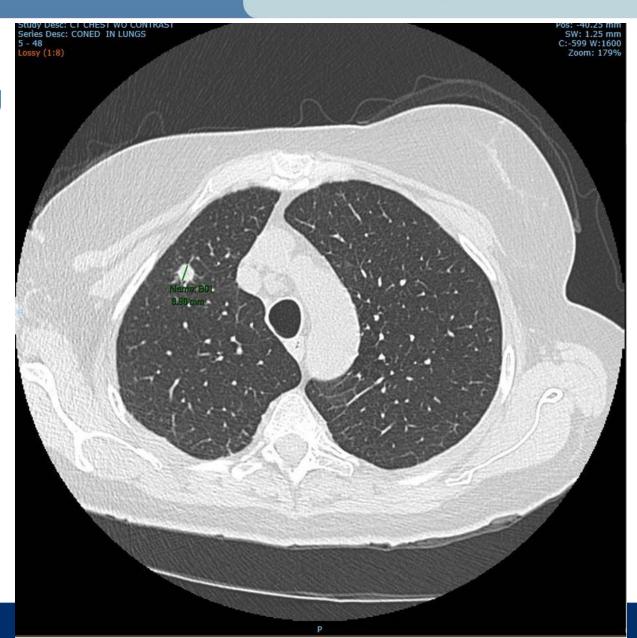


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Differential Diagnosis

- Given the patient's clinical history, recurrent metastatic disease is likely
- Location, number, and appearance are important factors:
 - Multiple nodules
 - No apparent pattern to distribution; can be described as peripheral, are not central/hilar
 - Spiculated, enlarging, hypodense
- Only potential risk factor for infectious etiology is prior history of cancer (chemo- and radiotherapy)
 - May increase likelihood of less common infectious agents (fungi, opportunistic infections)
 - Features of nodules not consistent with infectious etiology

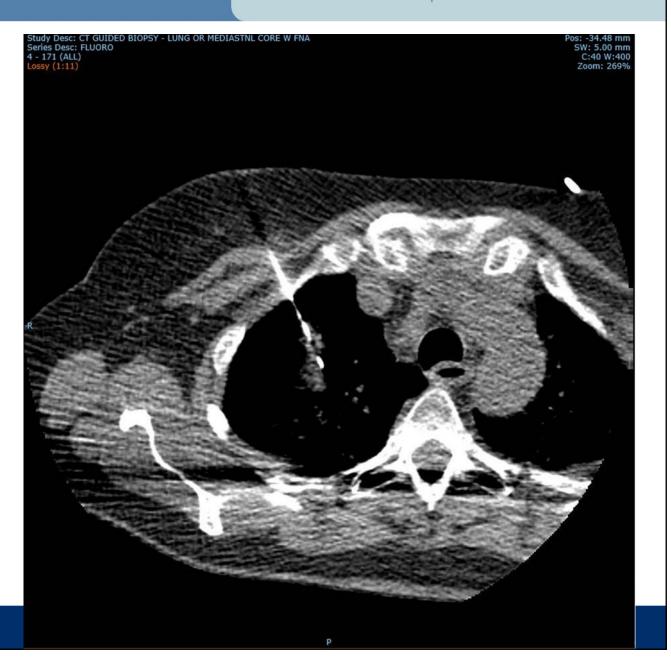


Background: Adenoid Cystic Carcinoma (1)

- 3rd most common malignant tumor of the salivary gland
- 3 basic growth patterns (tubular, cribriform, and solid) that are often intermixed, with biologic aggressiveness correlated w/ quantity of solid component of tumor
- clinical stage, solid growth pattern, and p53 expression were found by multivariate analysis to be the most important prognostic features in head and neck ACC (2)
- Frequently demonstrates bone and perineural invasion (NCAM, NGF/(R), TrkA) and CD117 (c-kit) in luminal cells



Procedure



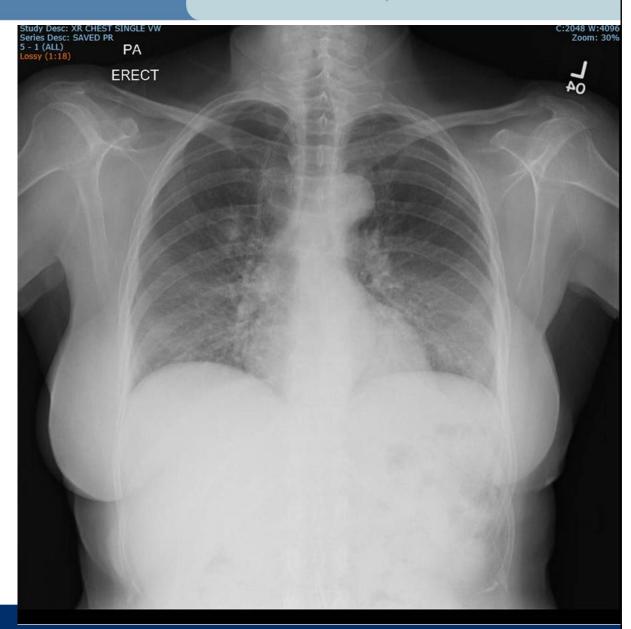


Background: Transthoracic Needle Biopsy (3)

- Performed by passing a needle percutaneously through the chest wall into the target nodule, usually under CT guidance for either aspiration (FNA) or biopsy (core)
- Diagnostic yield for TTNB is >88% for the diagnosis of malignancy
- Most common complication is pneumothorax, with retrospective studies citing a 10-17% rate
 - Risk increased in patients with concomitant emphysema, bullous disease, chronic respiratory failure
 - Blood patching can decrease this risk (4)
- The incidence of hemorrhage was cited at 1-7%

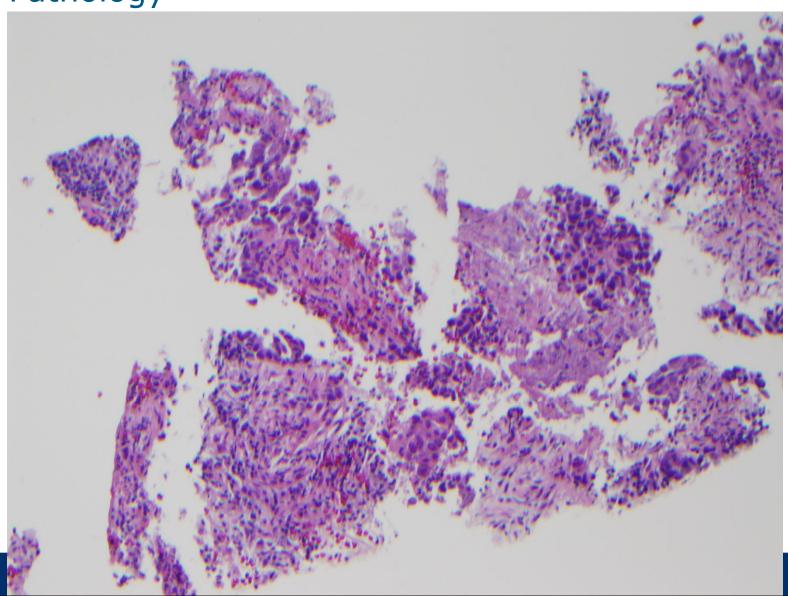


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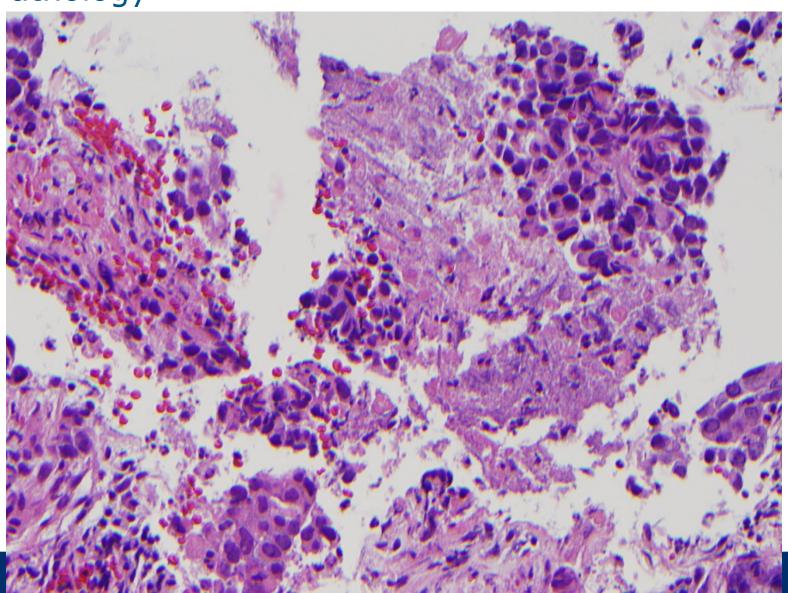


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Immunohistochemistry

- TTF-1: thyroid transcription factor 1, a normal lung function and morphogenesis factor, frequently positive in lung adenocarcinomas
- Napsin A: functional aspartic proteinase more sensitive than TTF-1 for identification of lung adenocarcinoma
- p63: member of the p53 gene family, but does not appear to be a tumor suppressor gene. A myoepithelial marker and regulates growth in epithelial organs. A nuclear stain that can rule out invasion in salivary gland tumors by determining the presence of myoepithelial cells

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