

A man with short dark hair, wearing a light-colored button-down shirt with dark sleeves and dark trousers, stands in front of a large, multi-tiered artificial waterfall. The waterfall is constructed from large, brownish-orange rocks and cascades down into a pool of water at the bottom. The background shows a building with large windows and some potted plants on the left. The text is overlaid on the image in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

# **P.M Poultry Diseases 4<sup>th</sup> year series**

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# **LEUKOSIS**

## **LYMPHOID LEUKOSIS**



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**300.** It is characterized by a gradual beginning, persistent low mortality in the flock and diffuse or focal neoplastic growths of lymphoblasts in viscera. The neoplastic changes begin always from the bursa of Fabricius, where various-sized lymphomas are detected (transverse section through neoplastically grown bursa - fixed preparation).



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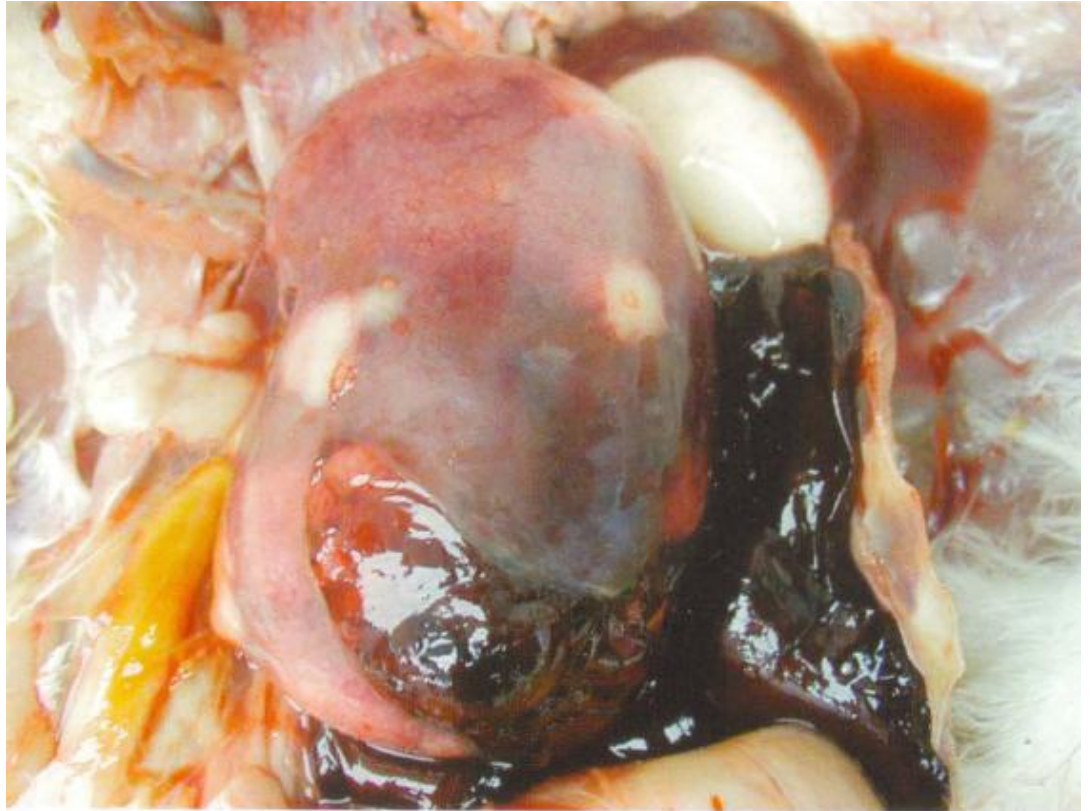
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303. Spontaneous rupture of the neoplastically grown spleen, leading to extensive loss of blood. LL is widely distributed worldwide in countries with developed industrial poultry breeding. It is usually observed in birds at the age of 16 weeks and older.





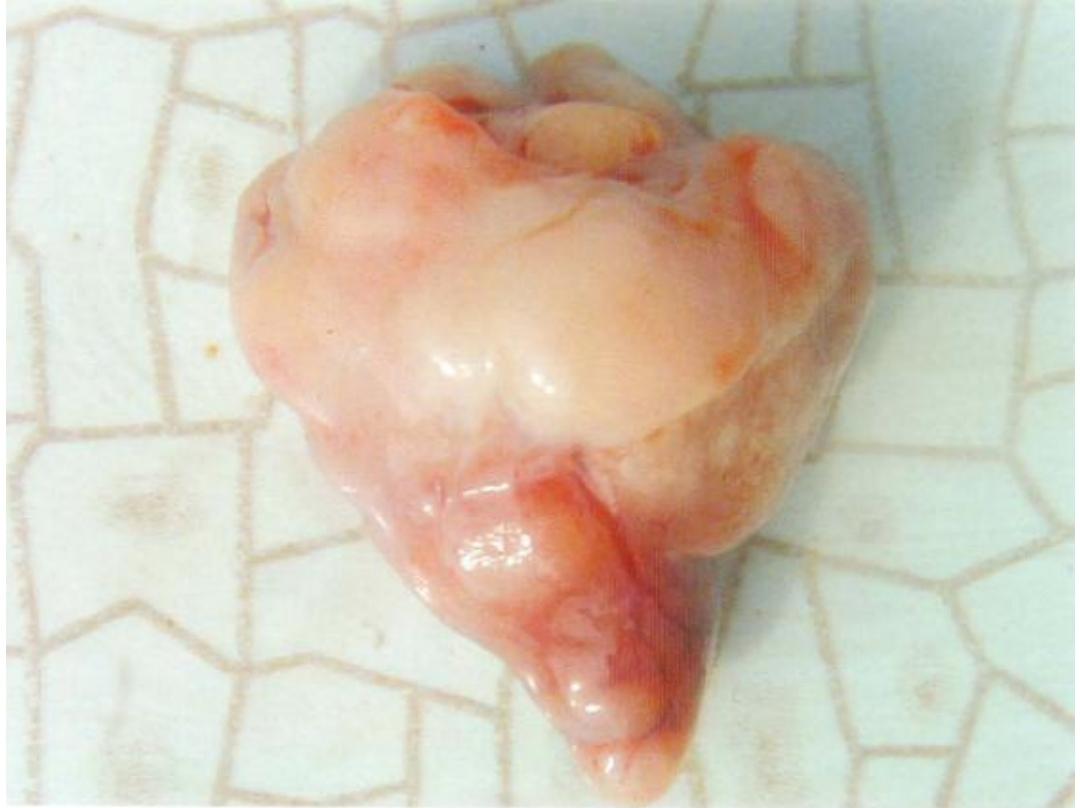
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304. Focal neoplastic lesions in kidneys. LL is caused by viruses of the *LIS* group classified in 10 subgroups: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I and J. The viruses from subgroup A are most prevalent and most frequently associated with LL. Hens, rarely turkeys, pheasants and quails are susceptible.



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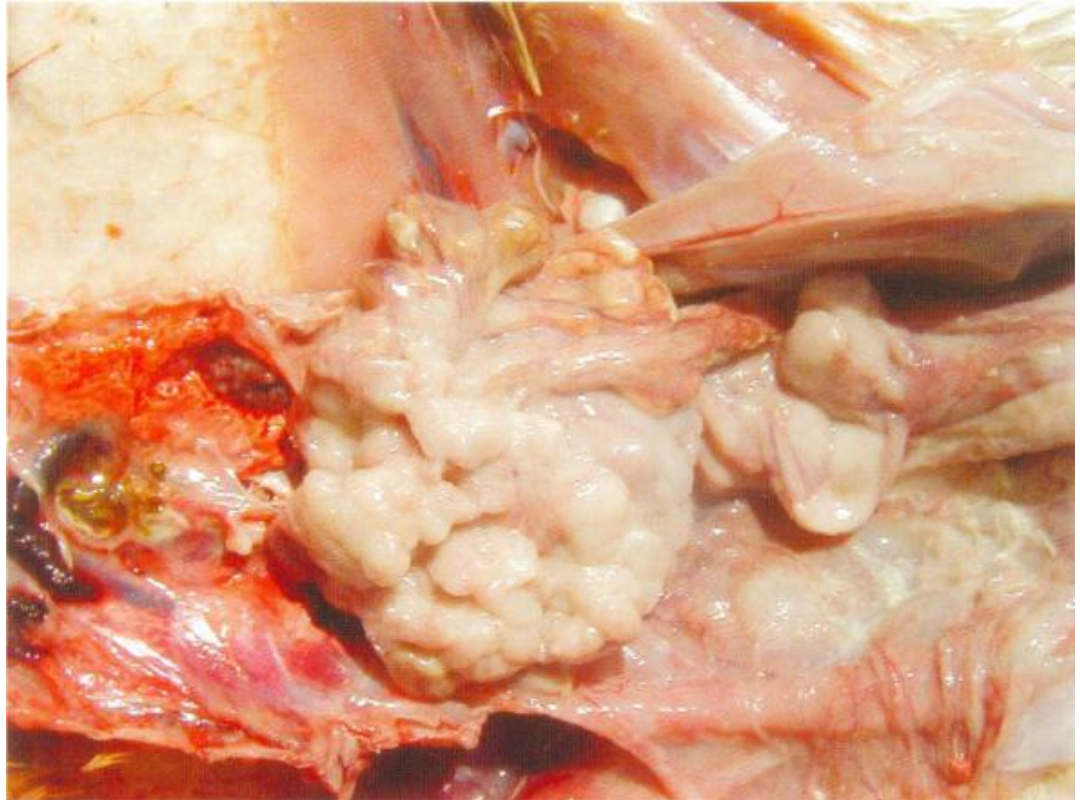
305. Diffuse and focal tumour lesions in the heart. The replication of the virus occurs in albumin secreting glands of the oviduct. The transmission of the infection is performed vertically by egg albumin from one generation to another. The role of cocks is not important for the congenital infection of the progeny. They are only virus carriers and source of venereal infection for other birds.





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306. Neoplastically transformed ovary in LL. In some instances, the horizontal infection is also possible but only in chickens in the first few days after hatching, usually via vaccines contaminated with ALSV. The lethal issues are observed for 56 months after the LL outbreak and amount to 5 - 15%.



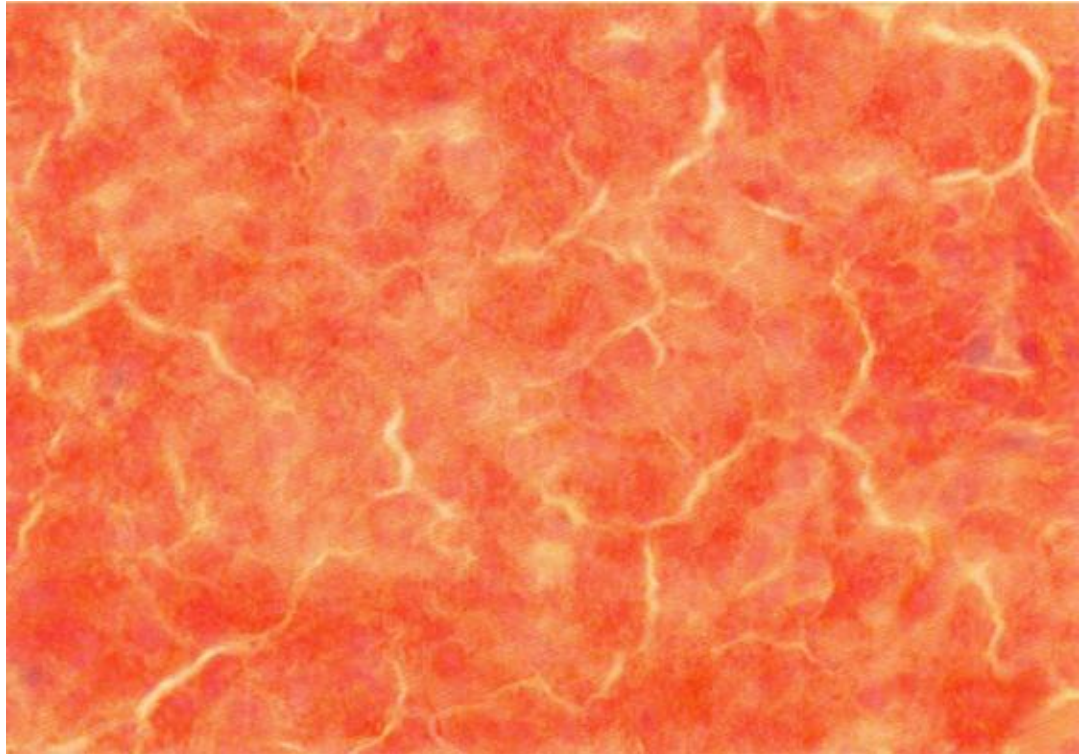
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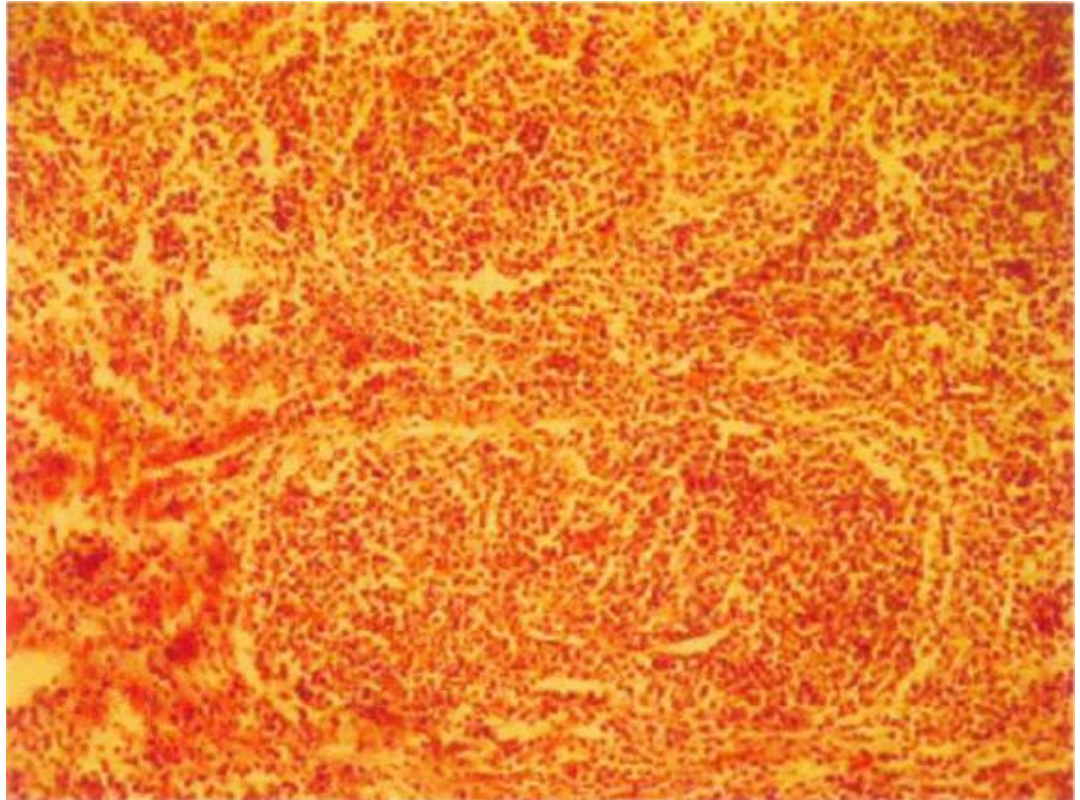
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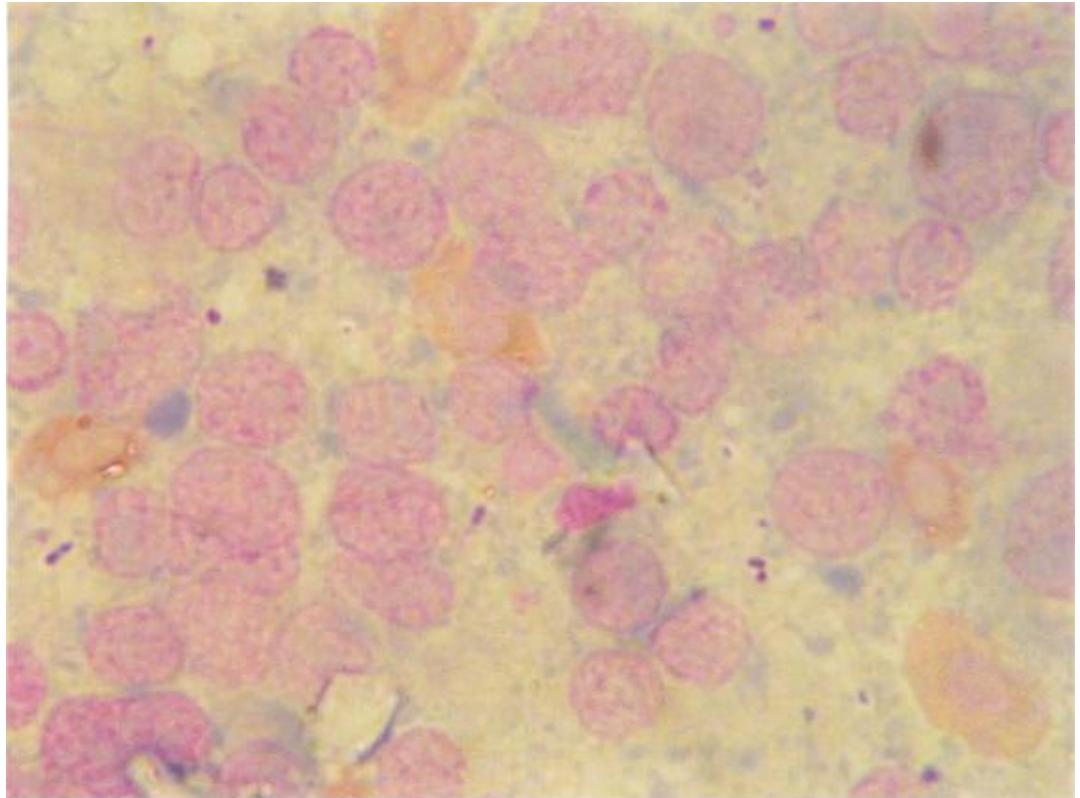
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309. In the bursa of Fabricius, a characteristic intrafollicular hyperplasia is observed.



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310. The picture of an imprint preparation from neoplastic lesions shows a layer of singletype lymphoblast cells. LL and MD are hard to be distinguished: in both, lymphoid tumours are present in the same visceral organs, the appearance at the same age is possible, and the visceral lesions could not be differentiated macroscopically, except in a careful microscopic examination by an experienced pathologist.



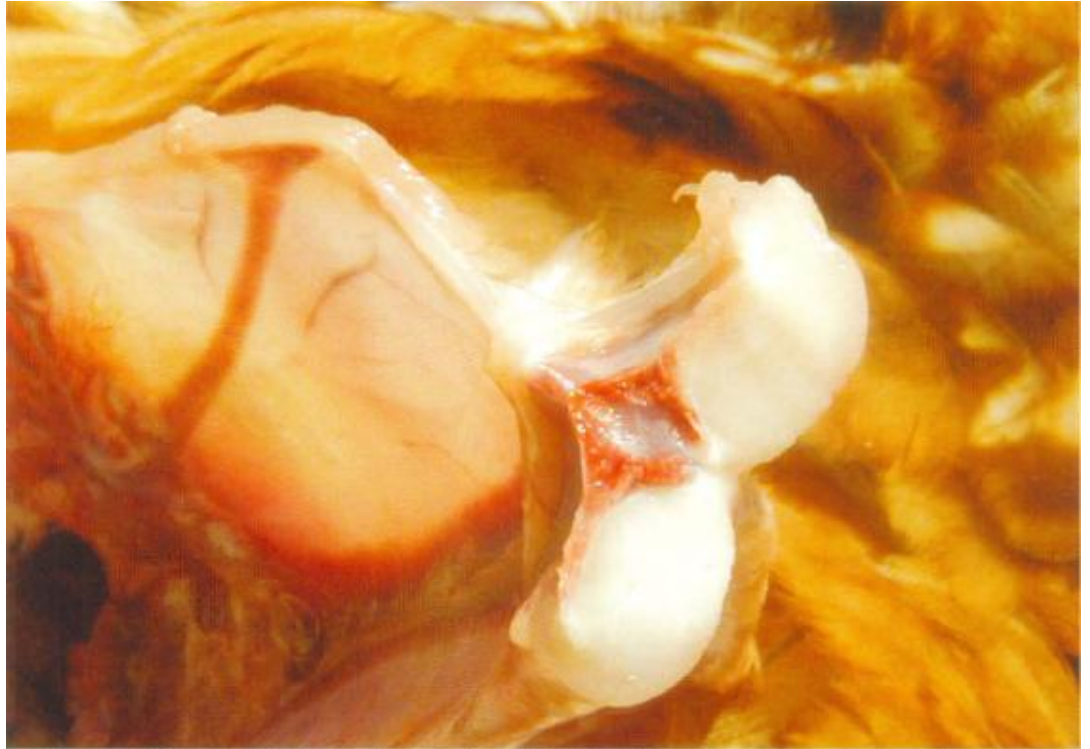
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**MYELOCYTOMATOSIS**



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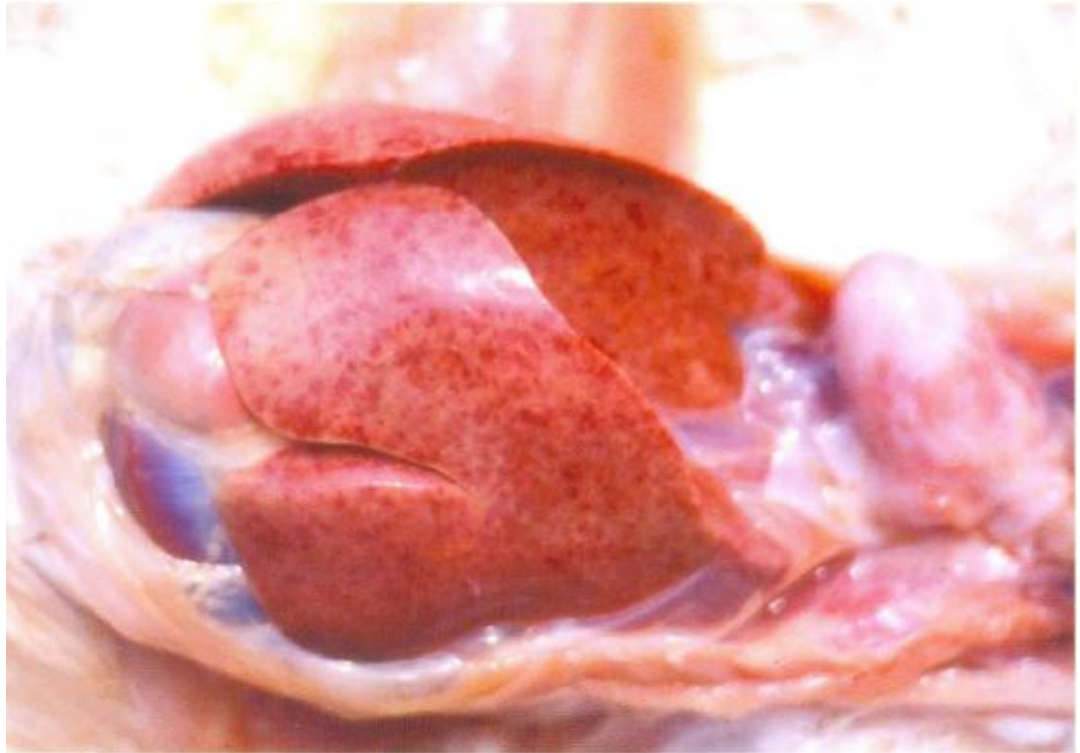
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**315.** Sclerotic changes in the liver are possible because of regression of neoplastic lesions.



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**316.** The spleen is usually enlarged, but sometimes, could be atrophied



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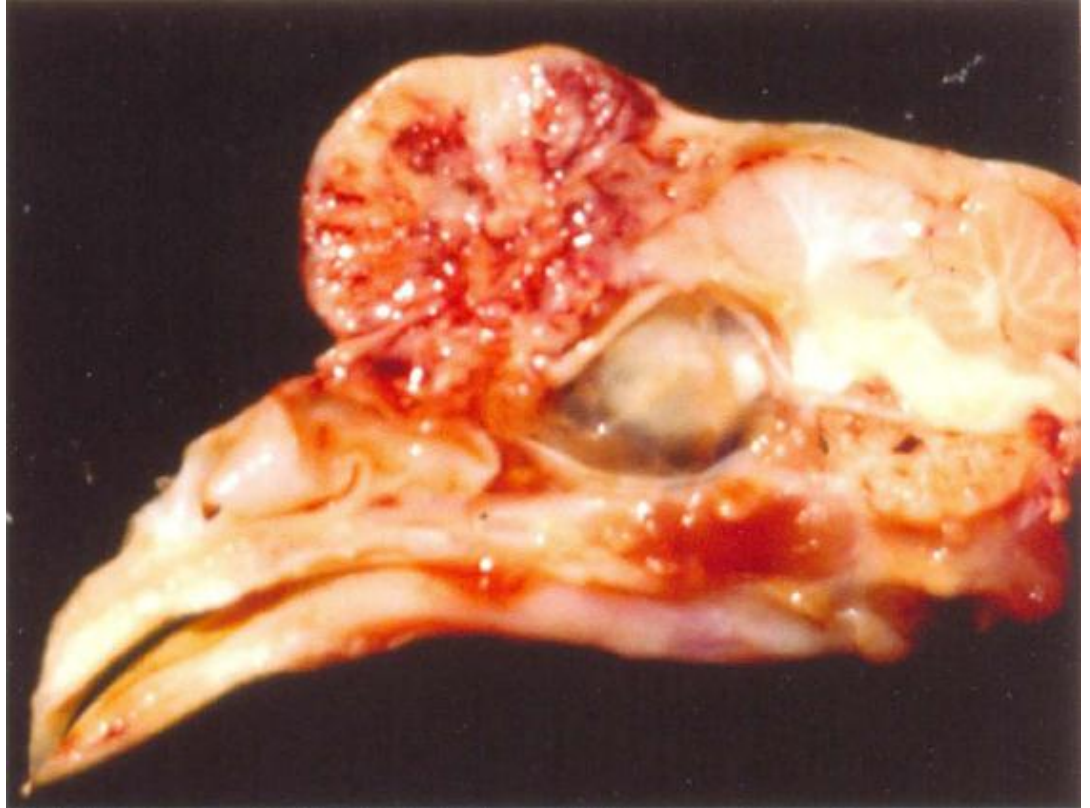
**317.** A characteristic feature of Me is its simultaneous course with tumours from a different type: mesenchymal, epithelial or mixed . The picture shows a fibrosarcoma to the gizzard associated with MC





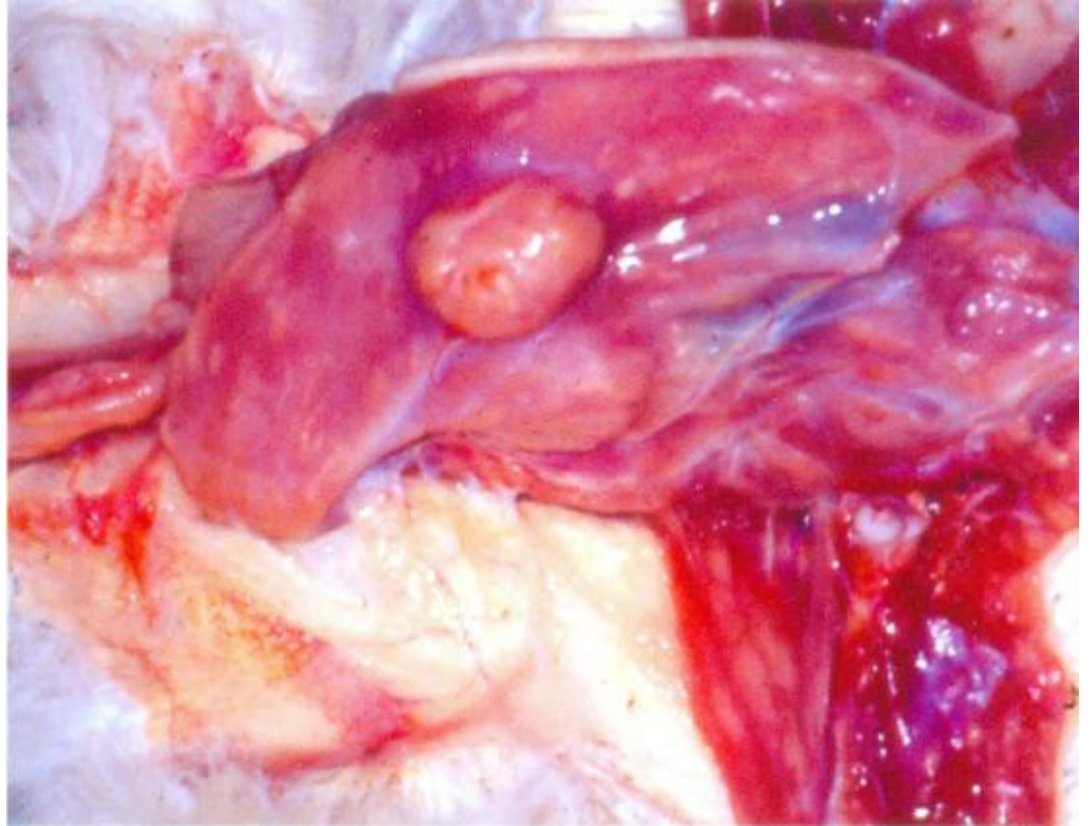
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**318.** Mixed mesenchymal tumour (osteochondrosarcoma) to the frontal skull bones: a sagittal cross section.



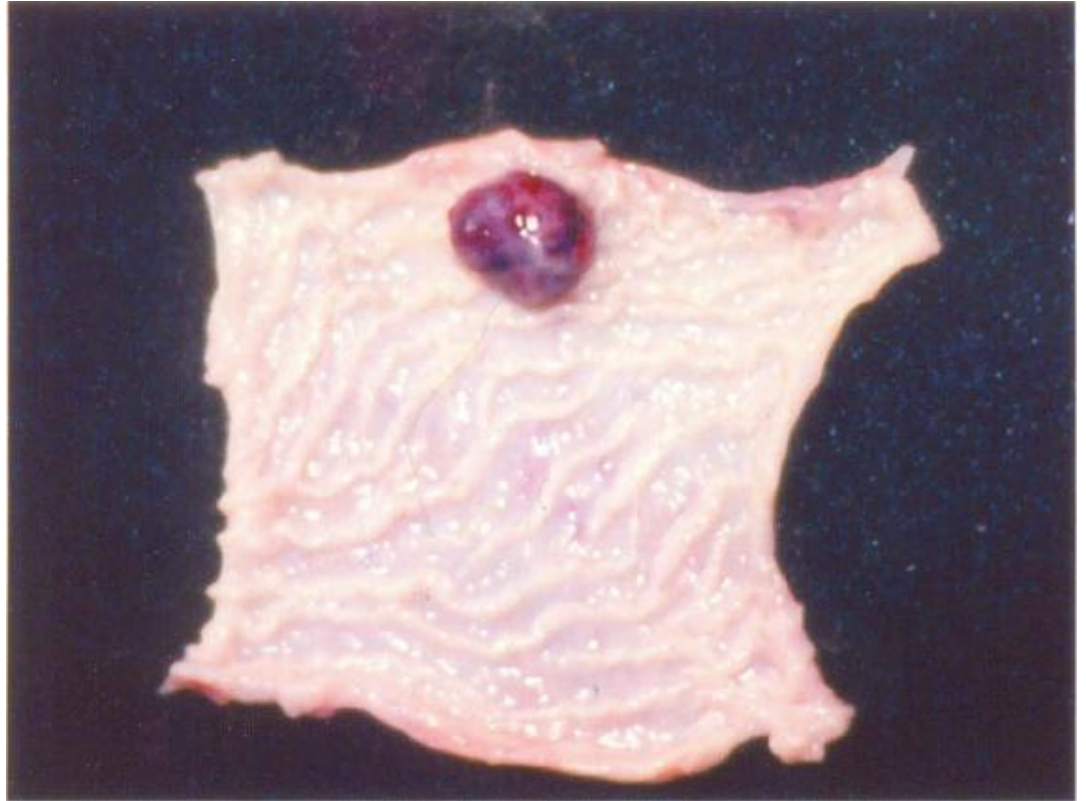
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**319.** Multiple rbdomyosarcoma in pectoral, thigh, abdominal and tracheal muscles.



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**320.** Leiomyosarcoma of the mucous coat of the oviduct



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**321.** Pendulating haemangiosarcoma of the ileal serosa





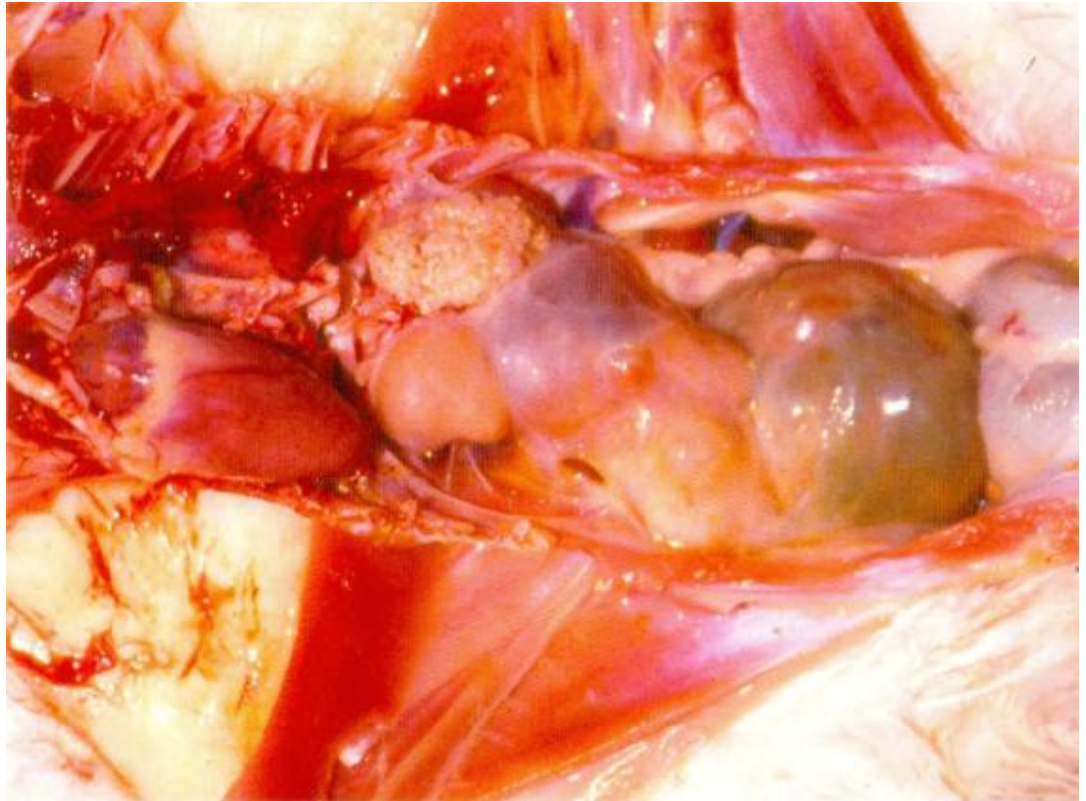
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**322.** Pendulating multiple myxoma of the small intestine's serous coat



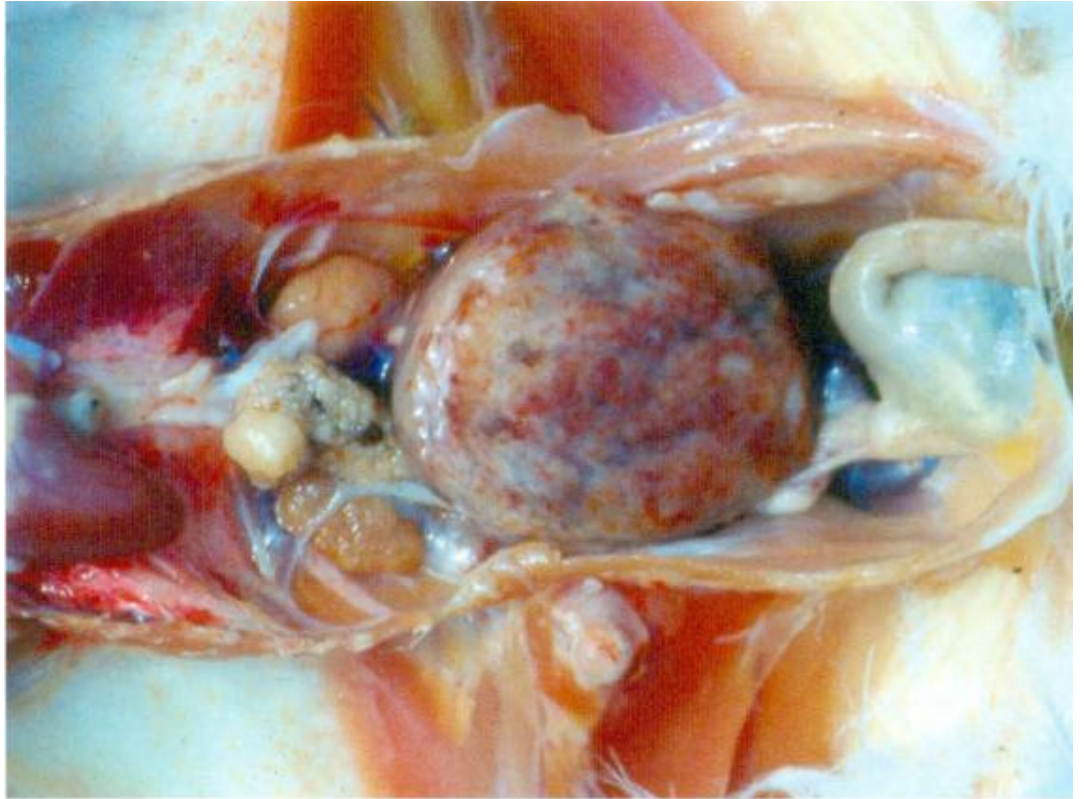
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323. Me-associated  
cystadenocarcinoma  
of the kidney in a hen.



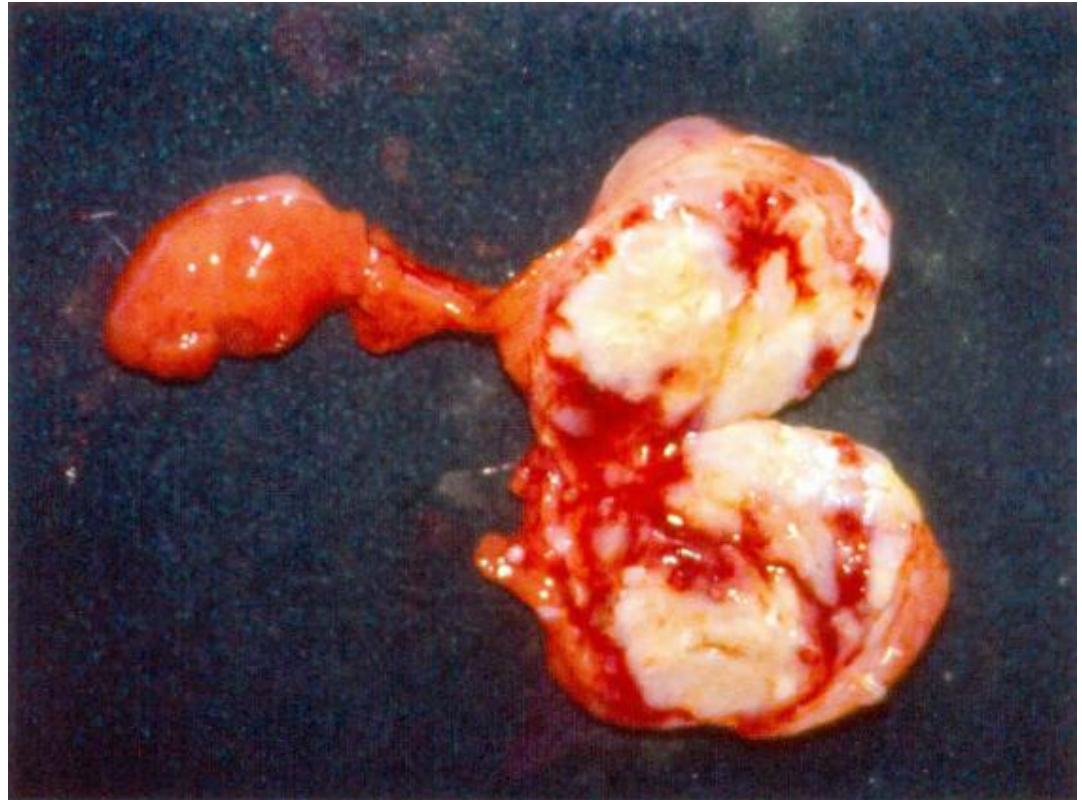
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324. Nephroblastoma of the left kidney, occupying a significant part of the abdominal cavity.



# LEUKOSIS

325. Nephroblastoma -  
the surface of a cross  
section. The tumour is  
a pendulating mass  
attached to the kidney  
by a fibrous vascularized  
stem that has undergone  
a partial necrosis and  
haemorrhages





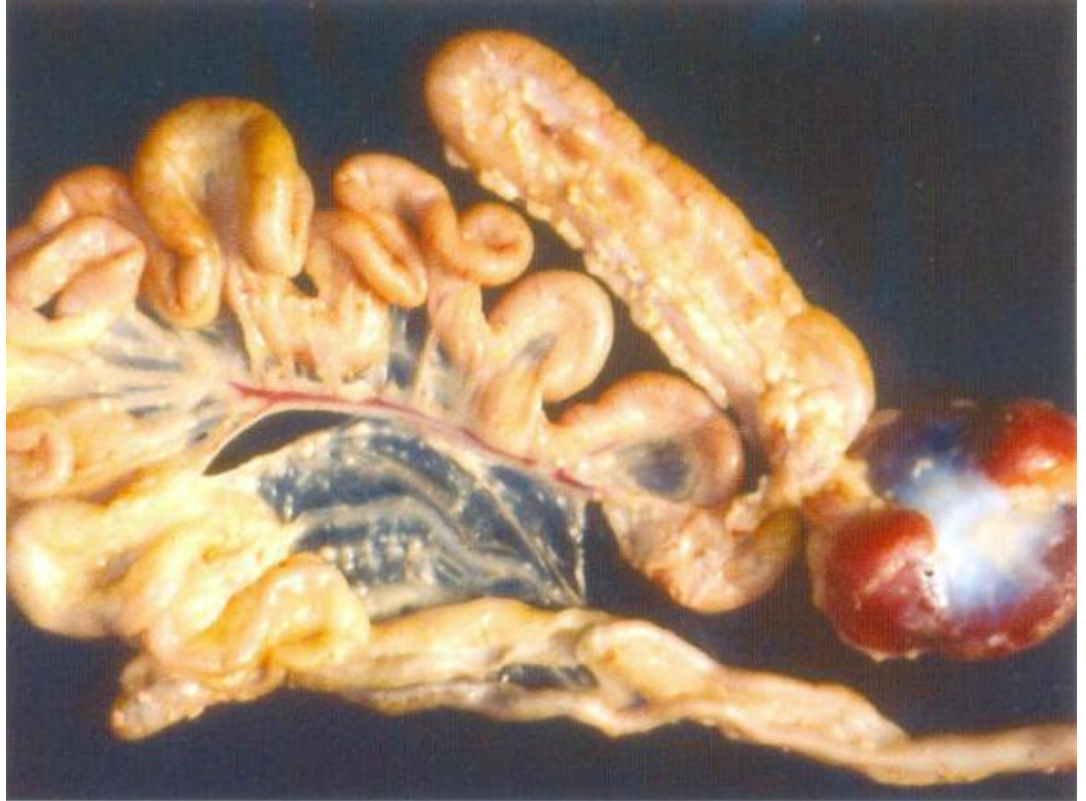
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**326.** Granulosa cell tumour of the ovary. The tumour appears as a single, compact, dorsoventrally flattened growth.



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**327.** MC-associated multiple  
carcinosarcoma  
of the mesentery and  
alimentary tract's serous coat  
(disseminated milliary nodules) .



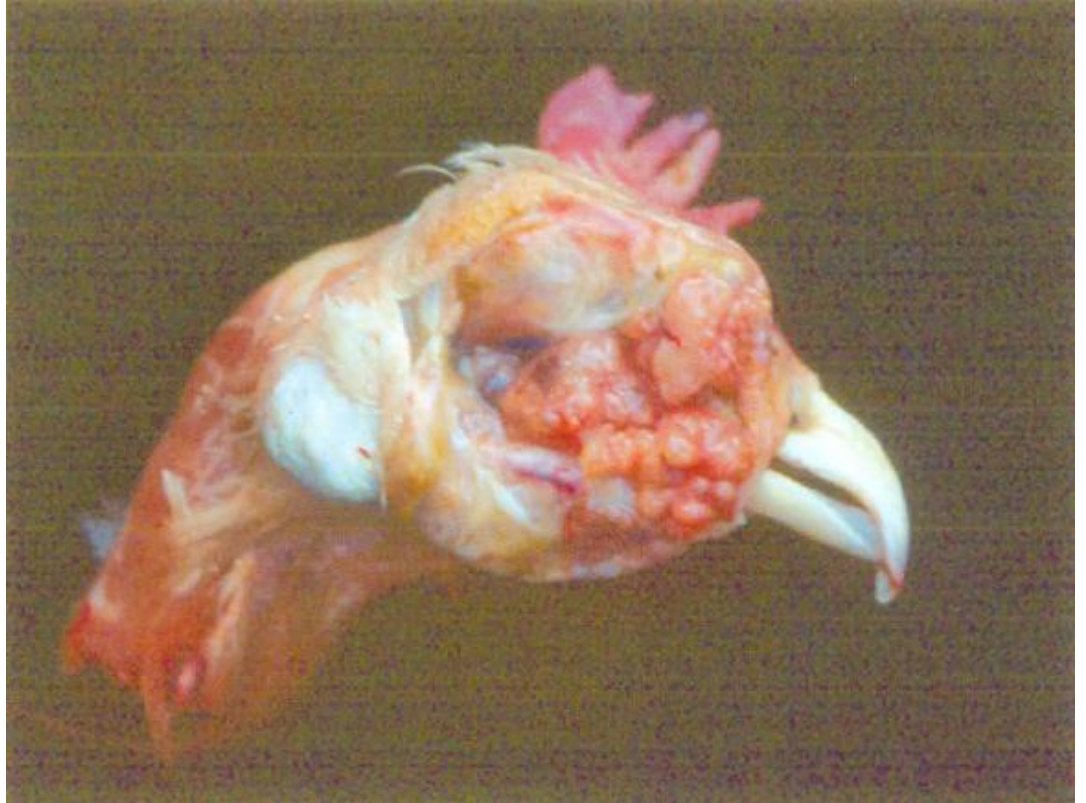
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**328.** MC-associated carcinosarcomas in the region of the right infraorbital sinus.



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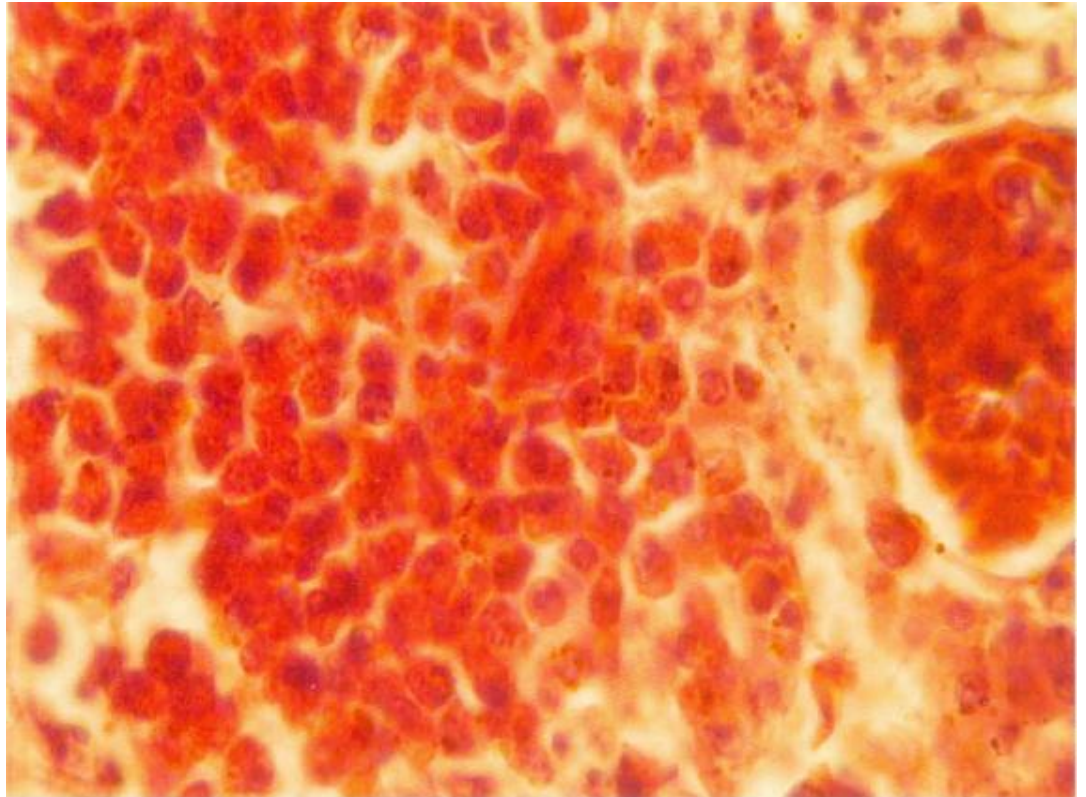
**329.** Gross appearance of the tumour from Fig. 328 after removal of the covering skin.





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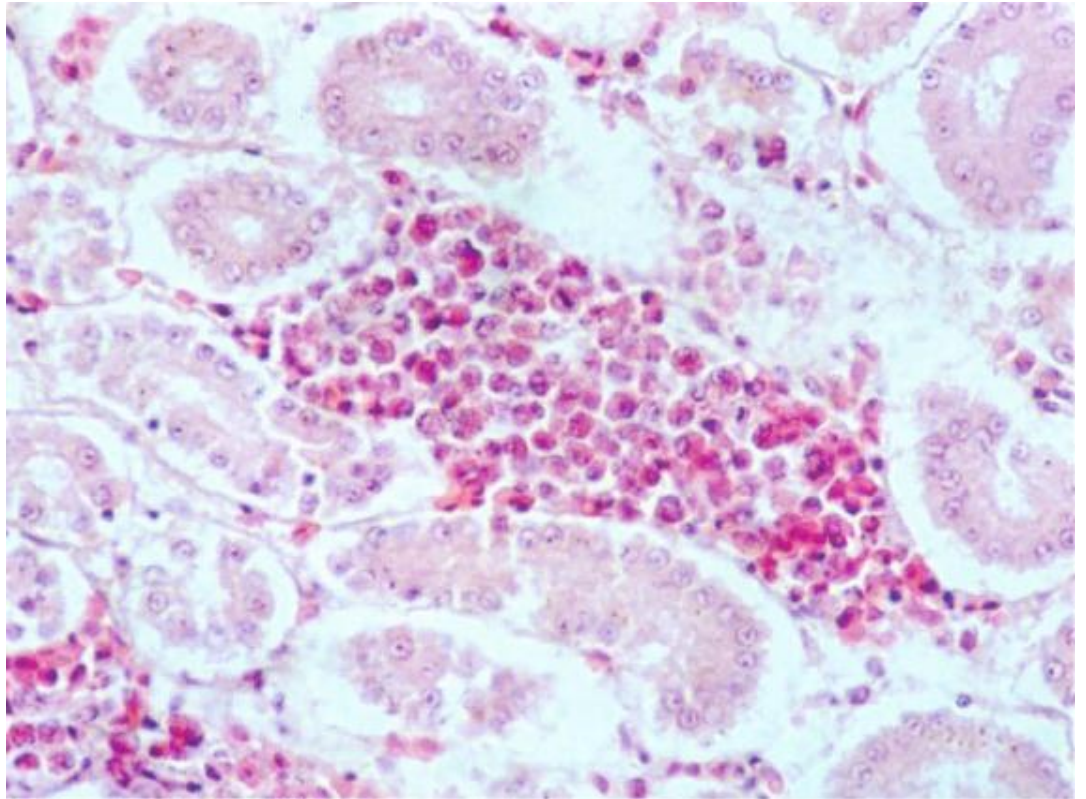
**330.** Histologically, myelocytomatomas are easily distinguished. Most commonly, they have perivascular localization. Growth of myelocytes with well-formed granules in a liver cross-section.



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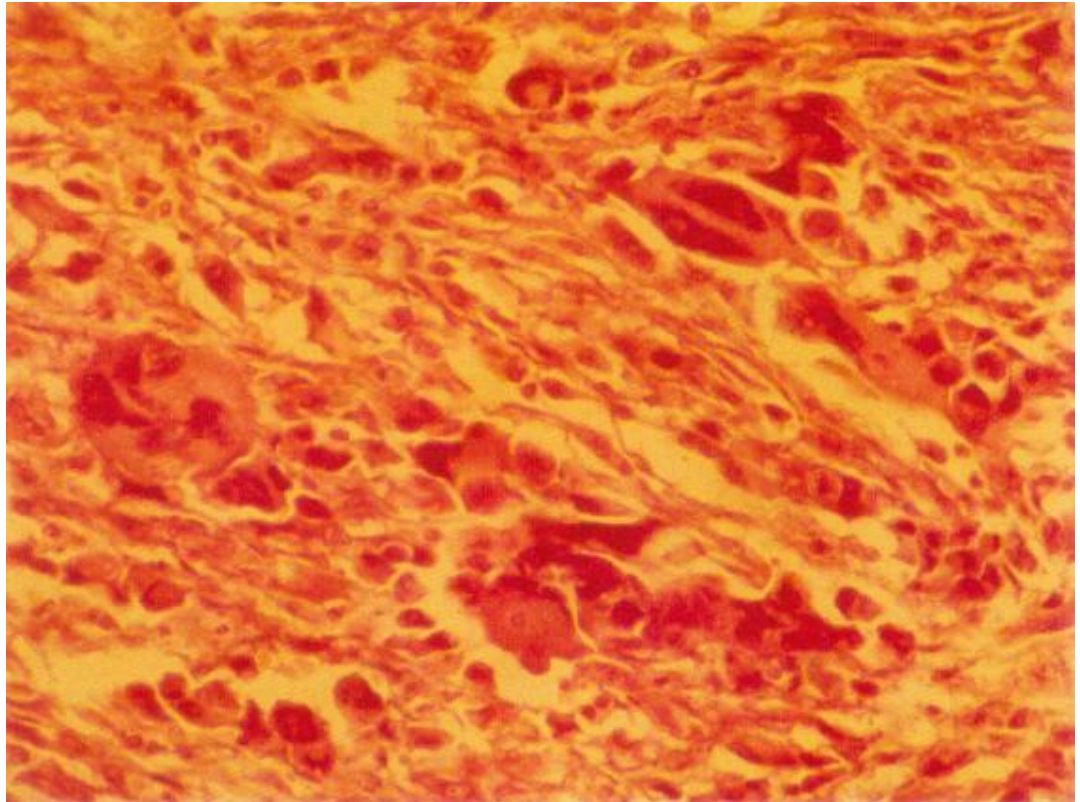
## **331. Kidney.**

Focal intertubular myelocytic proliferations



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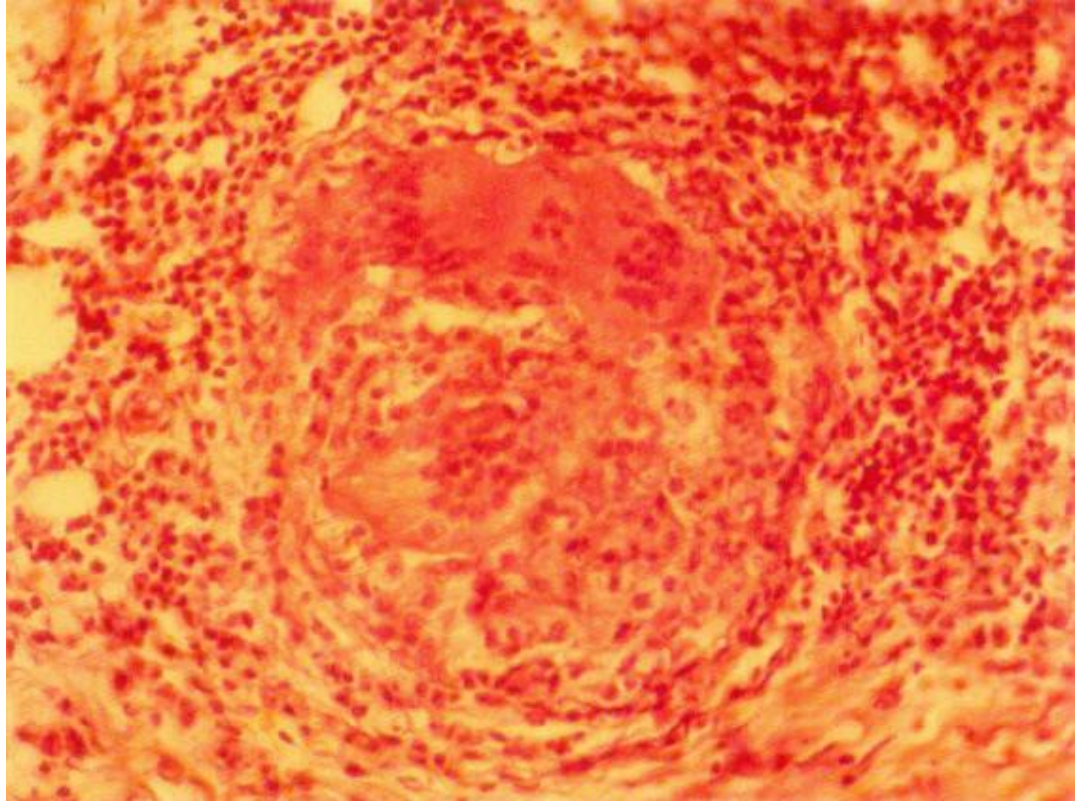
**332.** Me-associated neoplasms of epithelial, mesenchymal or mixed type demonstrate the respective type of histological structure. Leiomyosarcoma a histological view. Polygonal giant cells with hyperchromatic nuclei.





# LEUKOSIS

**333. Leiomyosarcoma - small intestine.** Prolongations of polynuclear symplastic elements



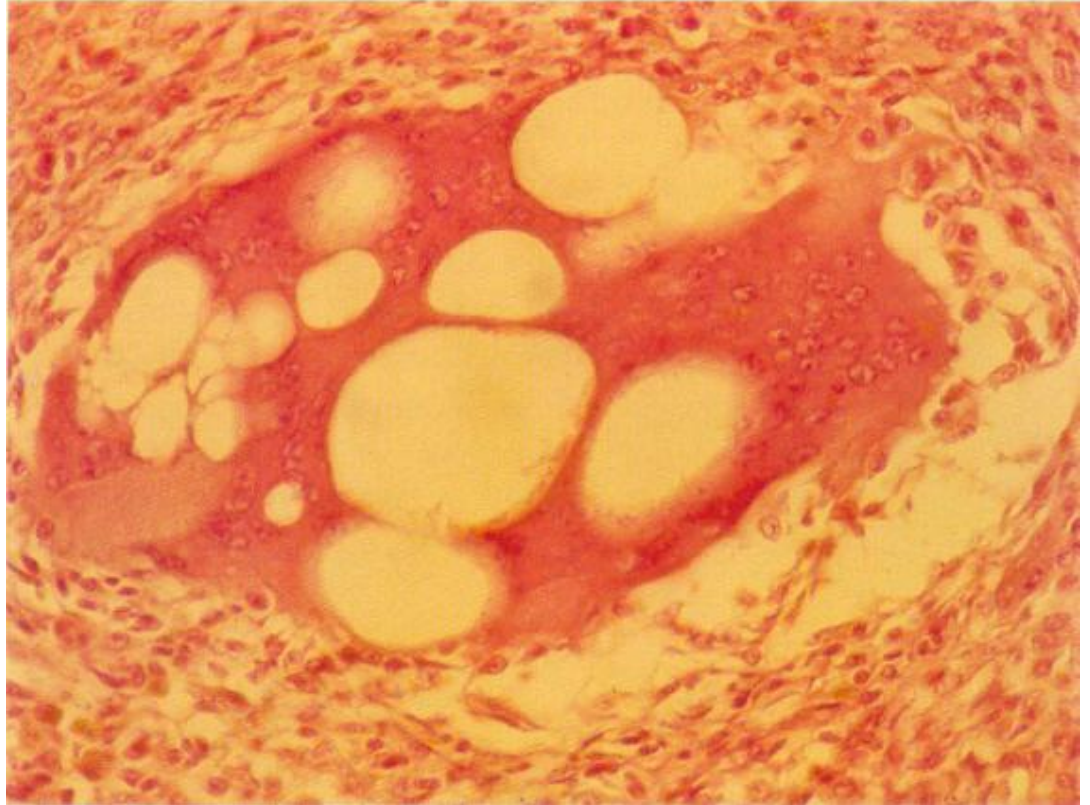


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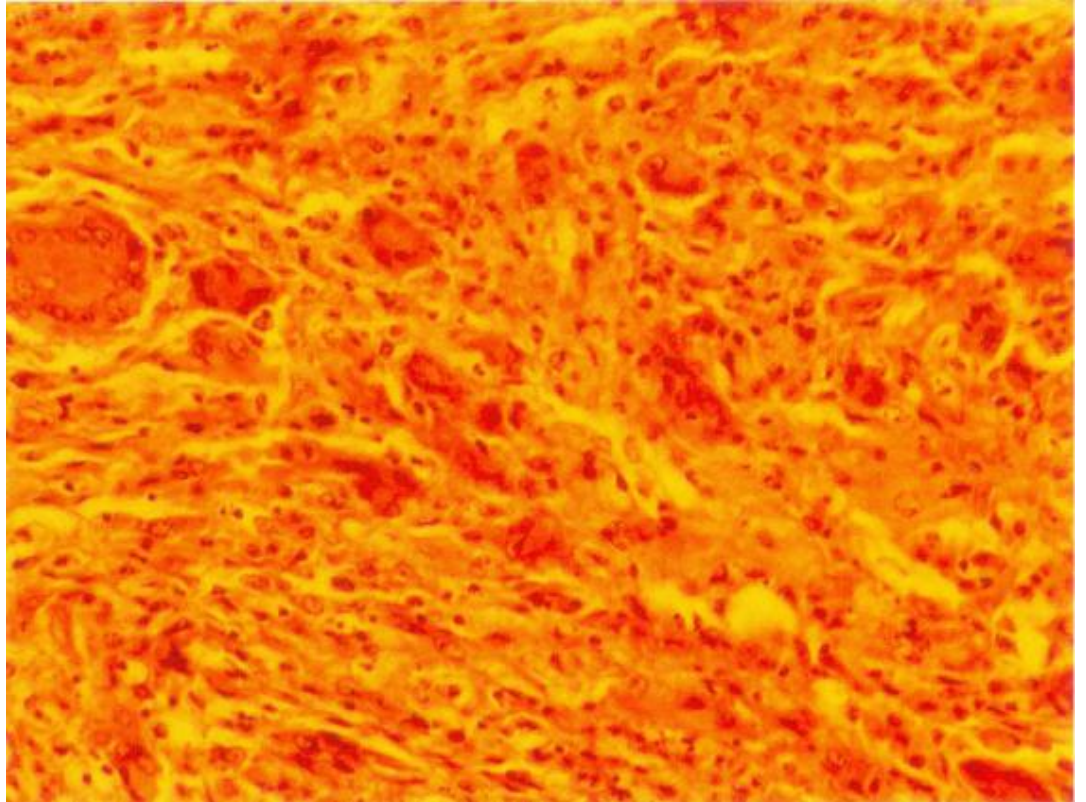
Extraordinary ("monstrous") multinuclear

giant cell with intracytoplasmic vacuoles.



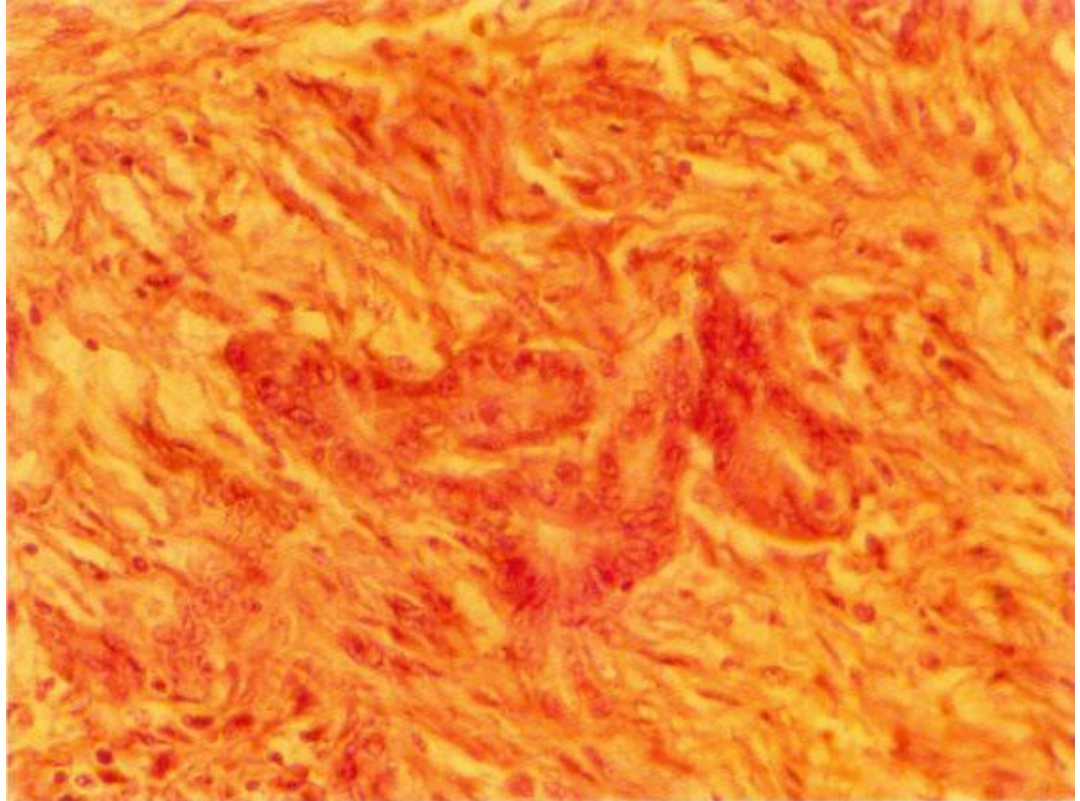
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335. Rhabdomyosarcoma. An area with multiple hyperchromatic giant cells.



# LEUKOSIS

336. Carcinosarcoma of the pancreas. Tubulous glandular epithelial formations of the carcinoma component among the liposarcoma part of the parenchyma. The diagnosis is based upon the entity of data about the history, the gross appearance and location of the tumours and the specific histological lesions. From a differential diagnostic point of view, myeloblastosis and erythroblastosis should be considered .



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**ERYTH ROBLASTOSIS**



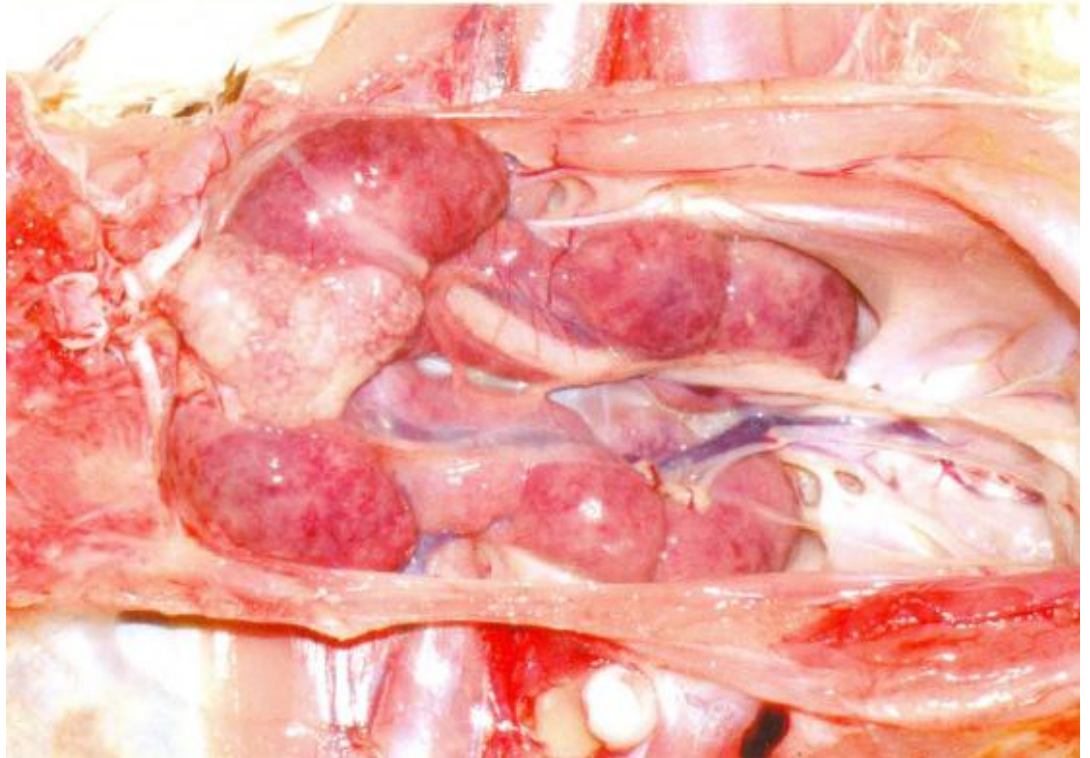
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337, 338. Erythroblastosis (ER) is characterized by intravascular proliferations of immature precursors of erythrocytes. ER has a leukaemic character and is manifested with signs of severe anaemia. The liver and the kidneys are moderately enlarged with a characteristic dark red to mahogany colour, sometimes with haemorrhages.



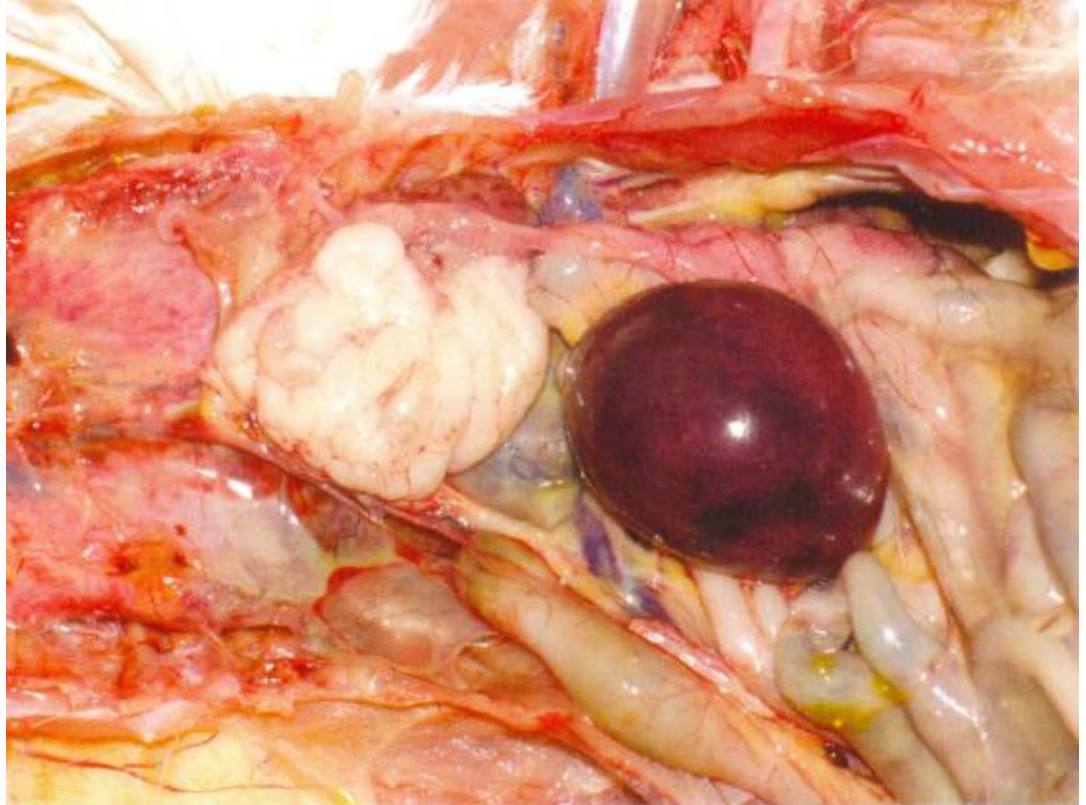
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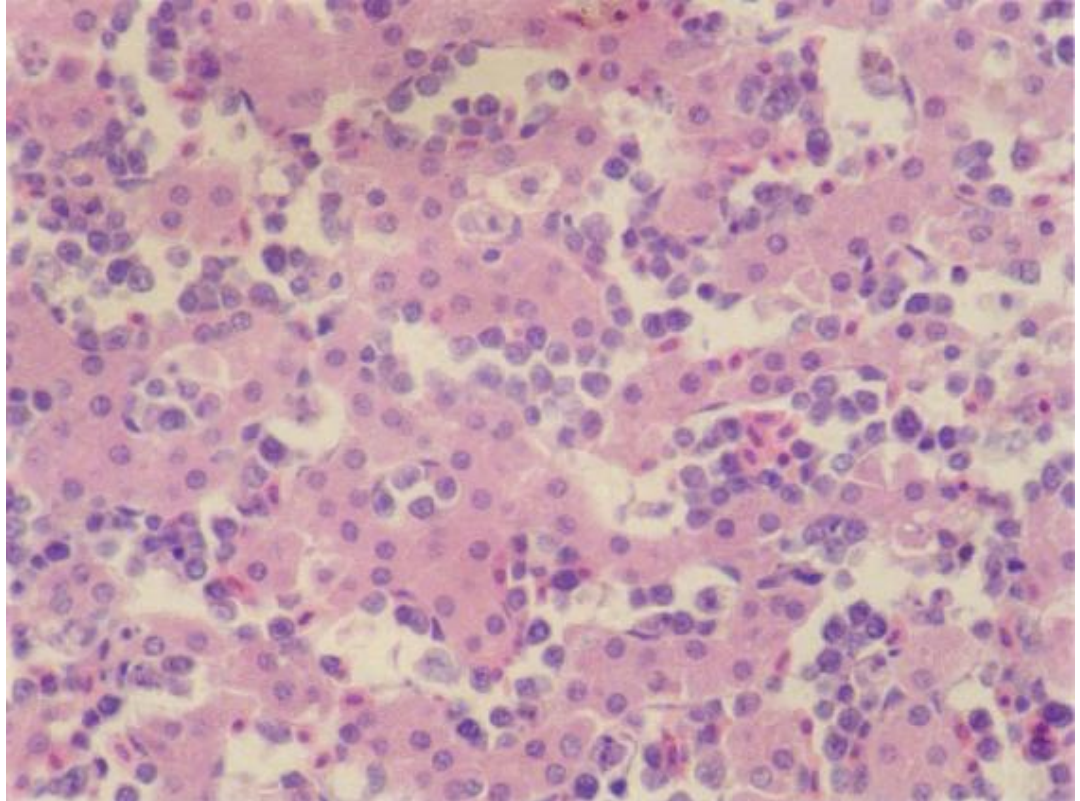
339. ER is caused by the avian erythroblastosis virus (AEV); the most frequently encountered strains are E-26, ES4, R etc. The spleen is unusually enlarged or atrophied in cases of severe anaemia.





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340. Histologically, accumulation of erythroblasts in blood sinusoids and capillaries is seen. The diagnosis is based on visceral histological lesions, typical for ER and peripheral blood haematological and morphological analysis.





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**OSTEOPETROSIS**

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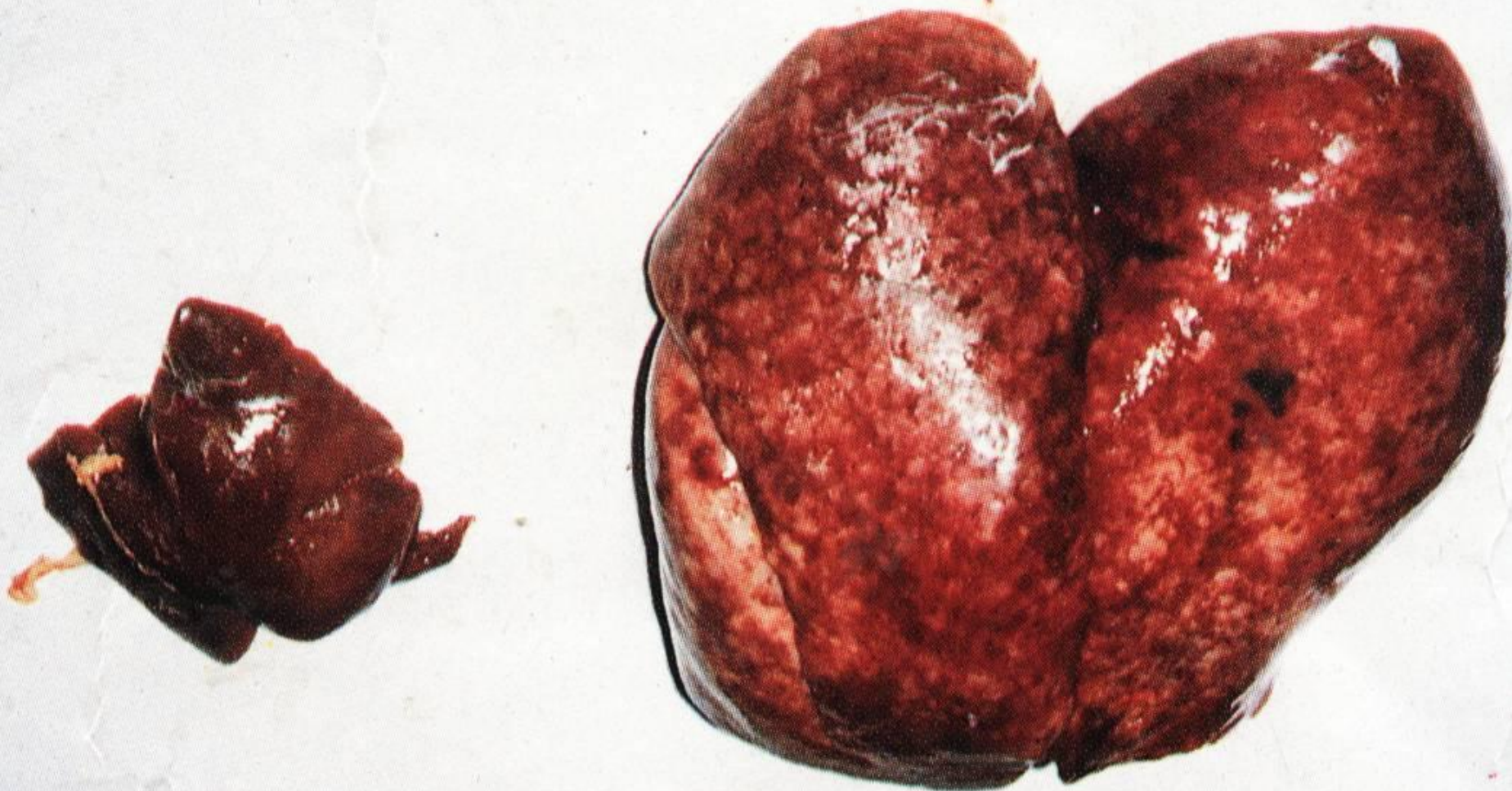
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**LESIONS : Diffuse Enlargement**

**SUSP.DIS. : Tumor viruses (ALC, MD, RE)**





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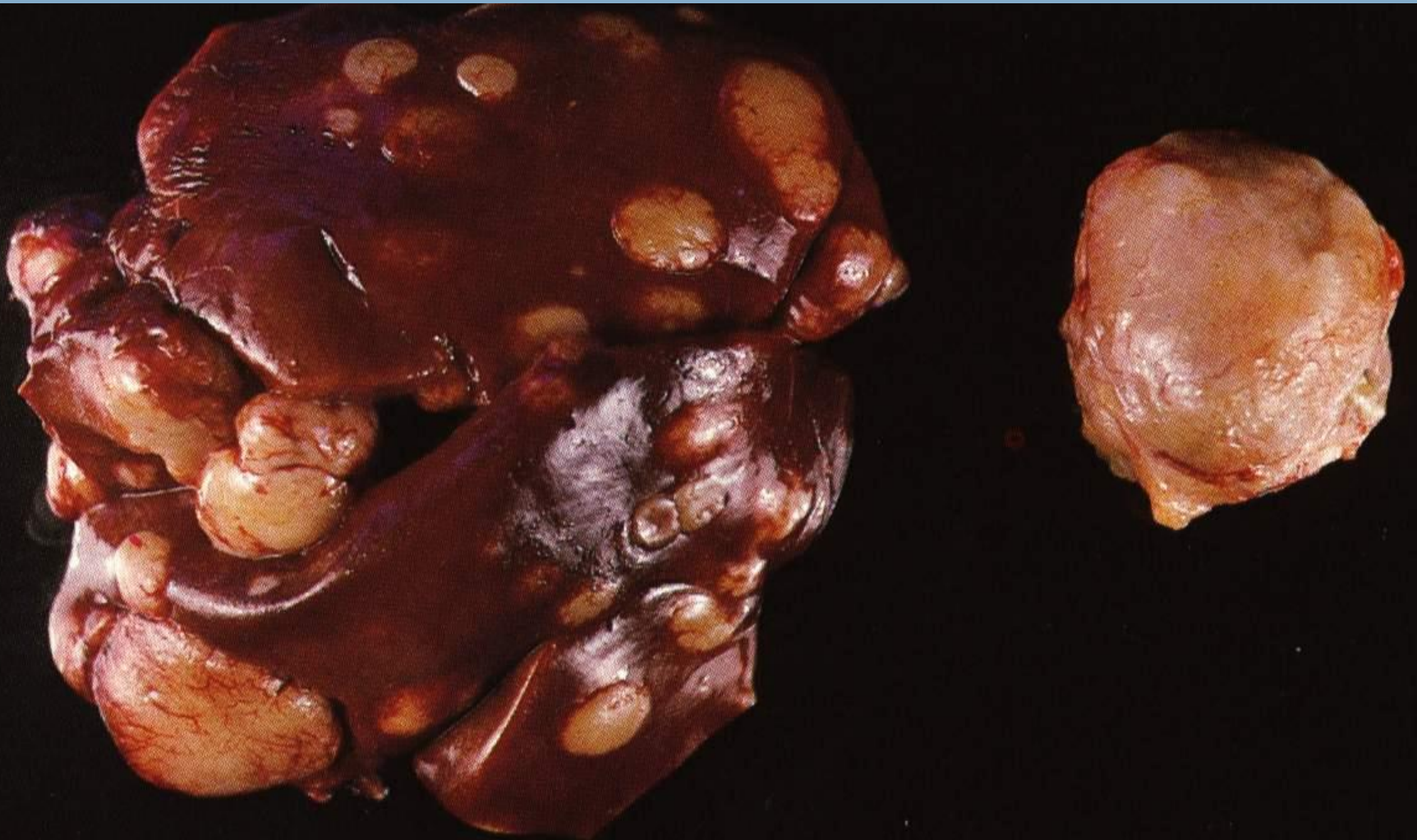




**ORGAN** : Bursa and liver

**LESIONS** : Nodular enlargement of liver with  
persistence of Bursa of Fabricius

**SUSP.DIS.** : ALC





**ORGAN** : Pelvic cavity  
**LESIONS** : Diffuse enlargement of liver (cherry-red color)  
**SUSP.DIS.** : Erythro-blastosis

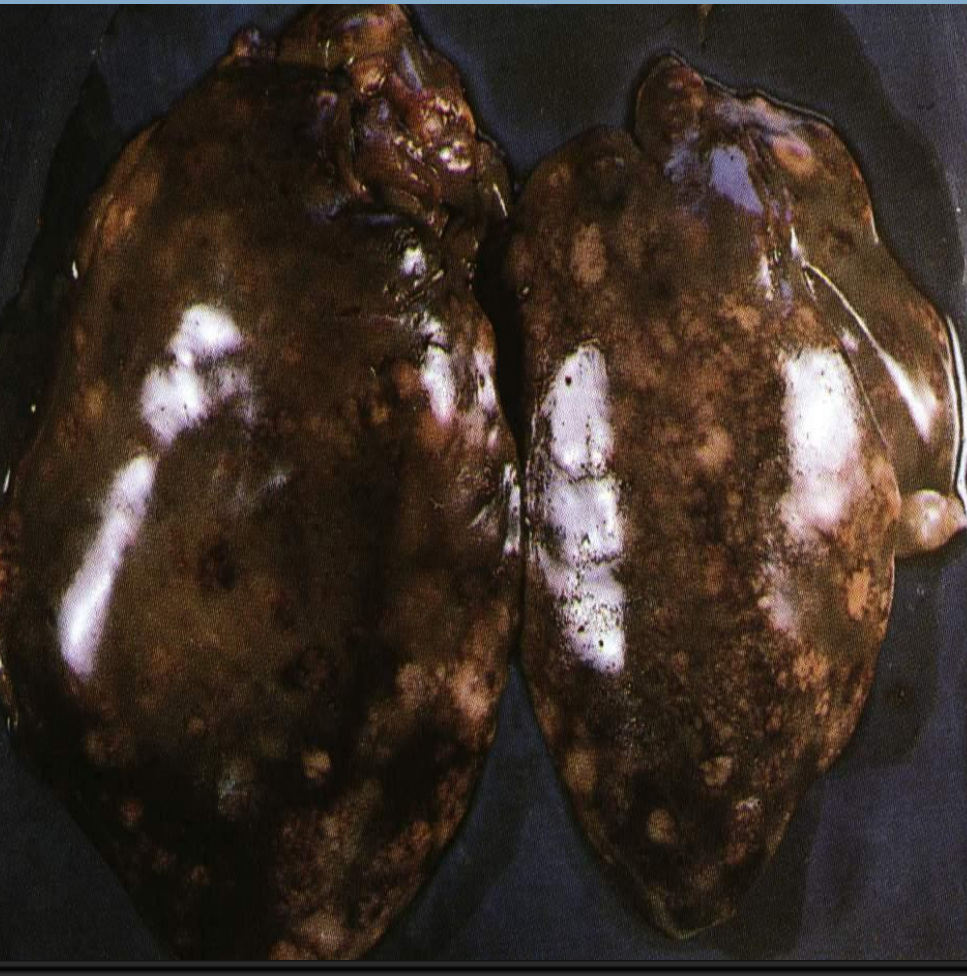




**ORGAN** : Liver and heart of turkey

**LESIONS** : Diffuse enlargement

**SUSP.DIS.** : Lymphoproliferative disease of turkey





**ORGAN : Spleen of turkey**

**LESIONS : Pale foccal nodule**

**SUSP.DIS. : Lymphoproliferative disease of turkey**



**ORGAN** : Cross section of long bone  
**LESIONS** : Increase in thickness of bone  
**SUSP.DIS.** : Osteo-petrosis





197 Myeloid leukosis. Chalky white myelocytomas are present on the sternum and ribs of this fowl.

