

# EBV IN T CELL LYMPHOMA – A WOLF IN SHEEP'S CLOTHING?

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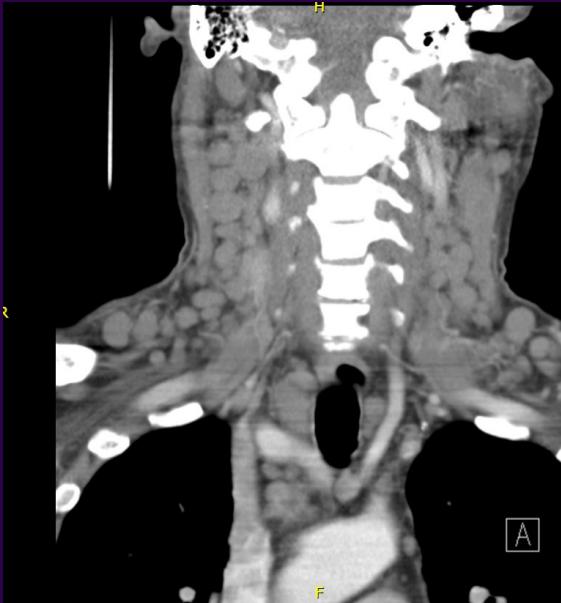
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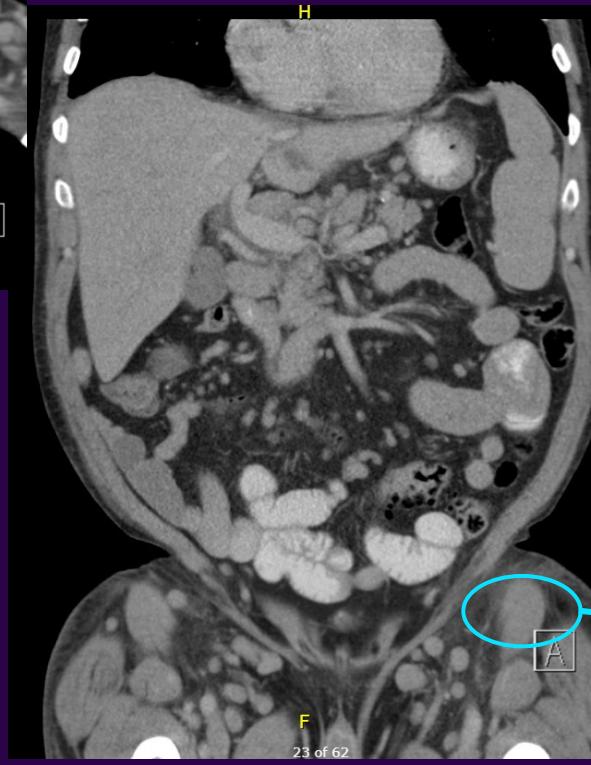
# INITIAL PRESENTATION

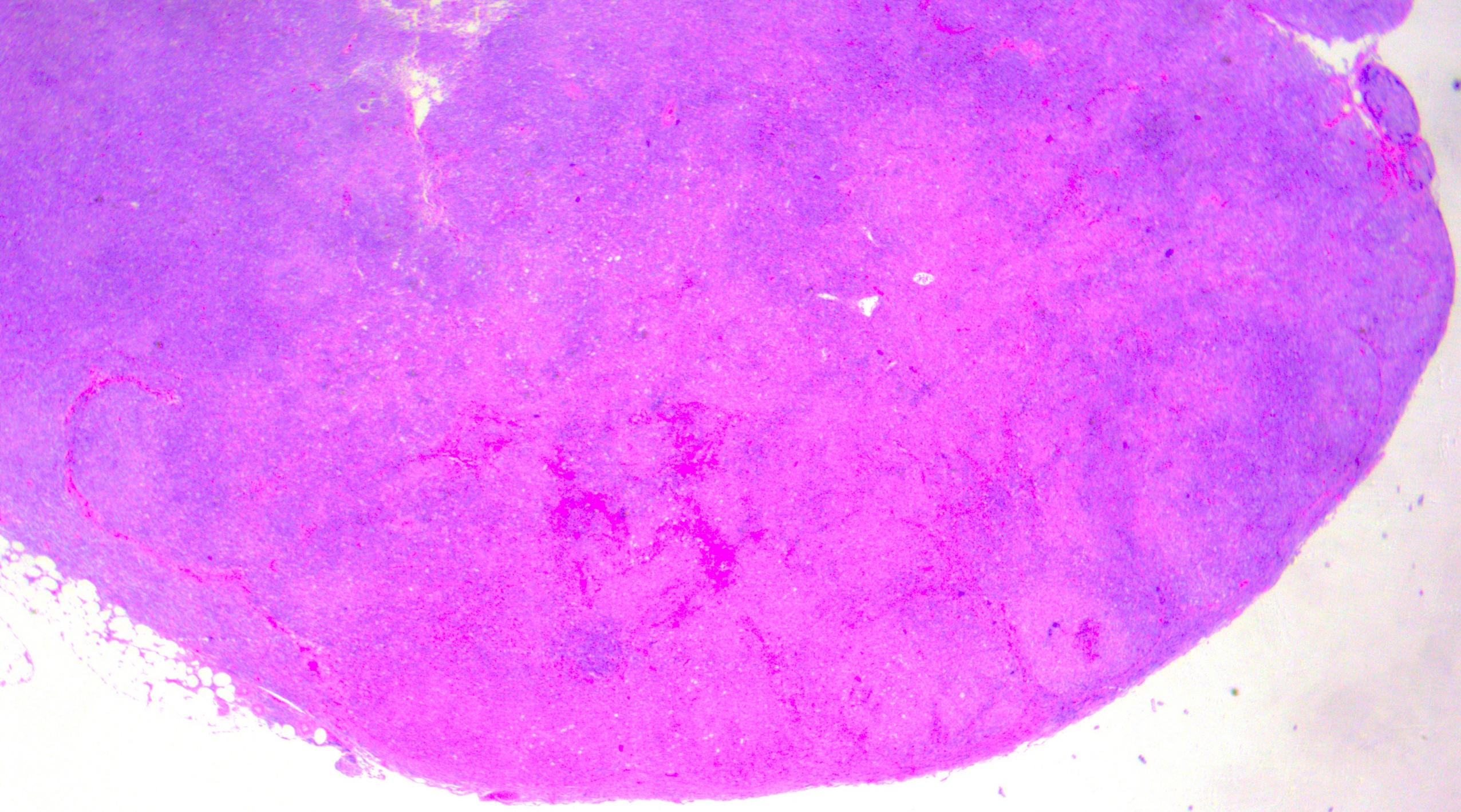
- 65 year old
- **Presented** to peripheral hospital in October 2023
  - Fevers
  - 10kg weight loss
  - Shortness of breath
  - Night sweats
- **BG Hx:** Non-contributory
- **Examination** – widespread lymphadenopathy, splenomegaly
- **Bloods**
  - FBC – unremarkable
  - Mildly deranged LFTs
  - LDH 432 u/L , B2M 9.12 mg/L , CRP 46 mg/L
  - Viral serology - EBV EBNA IgG +, HBV/HCV -, CMV – (IgG/IgM), HIV –

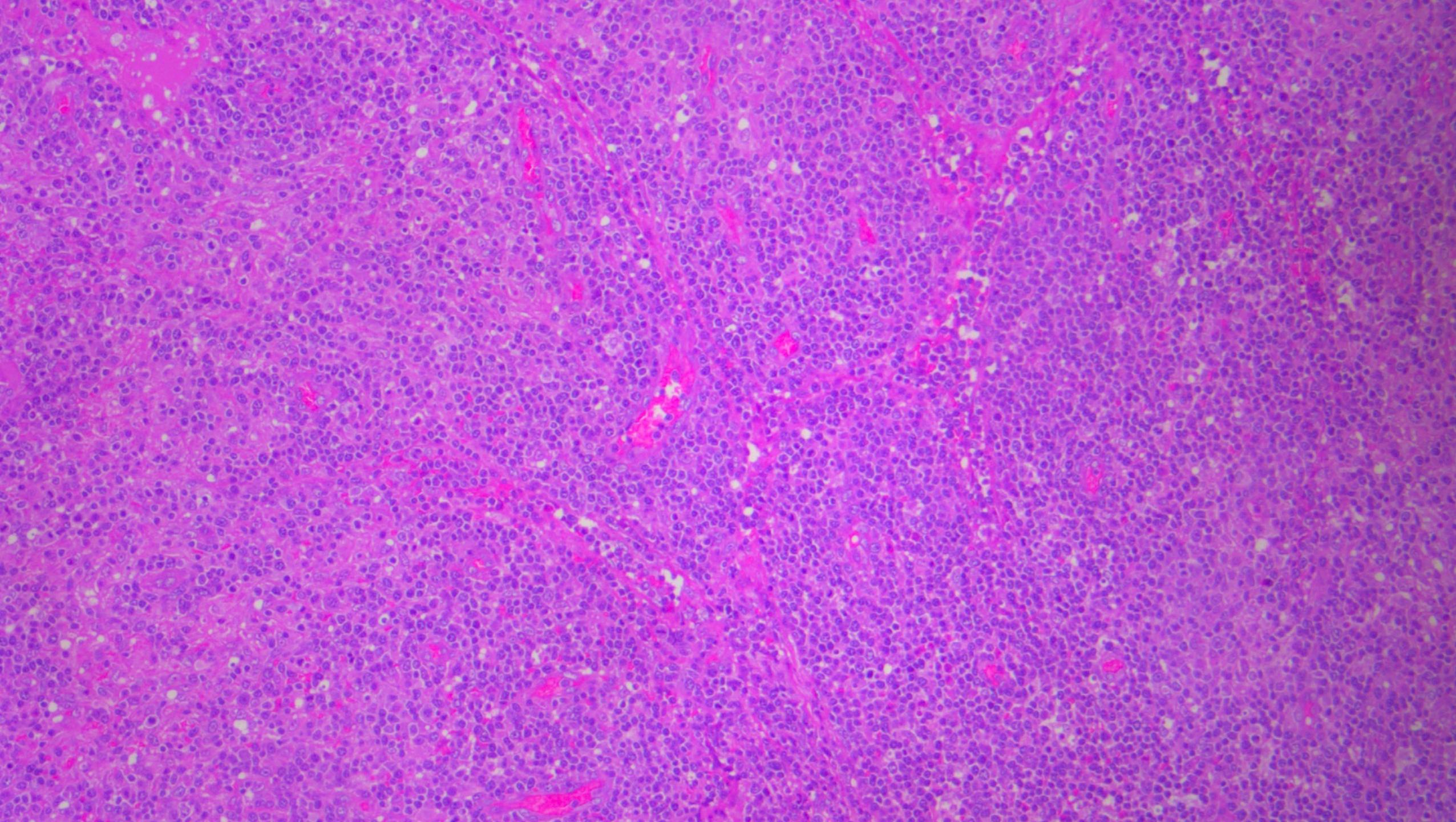
# KEY INITIAL INVESTIGATIONS

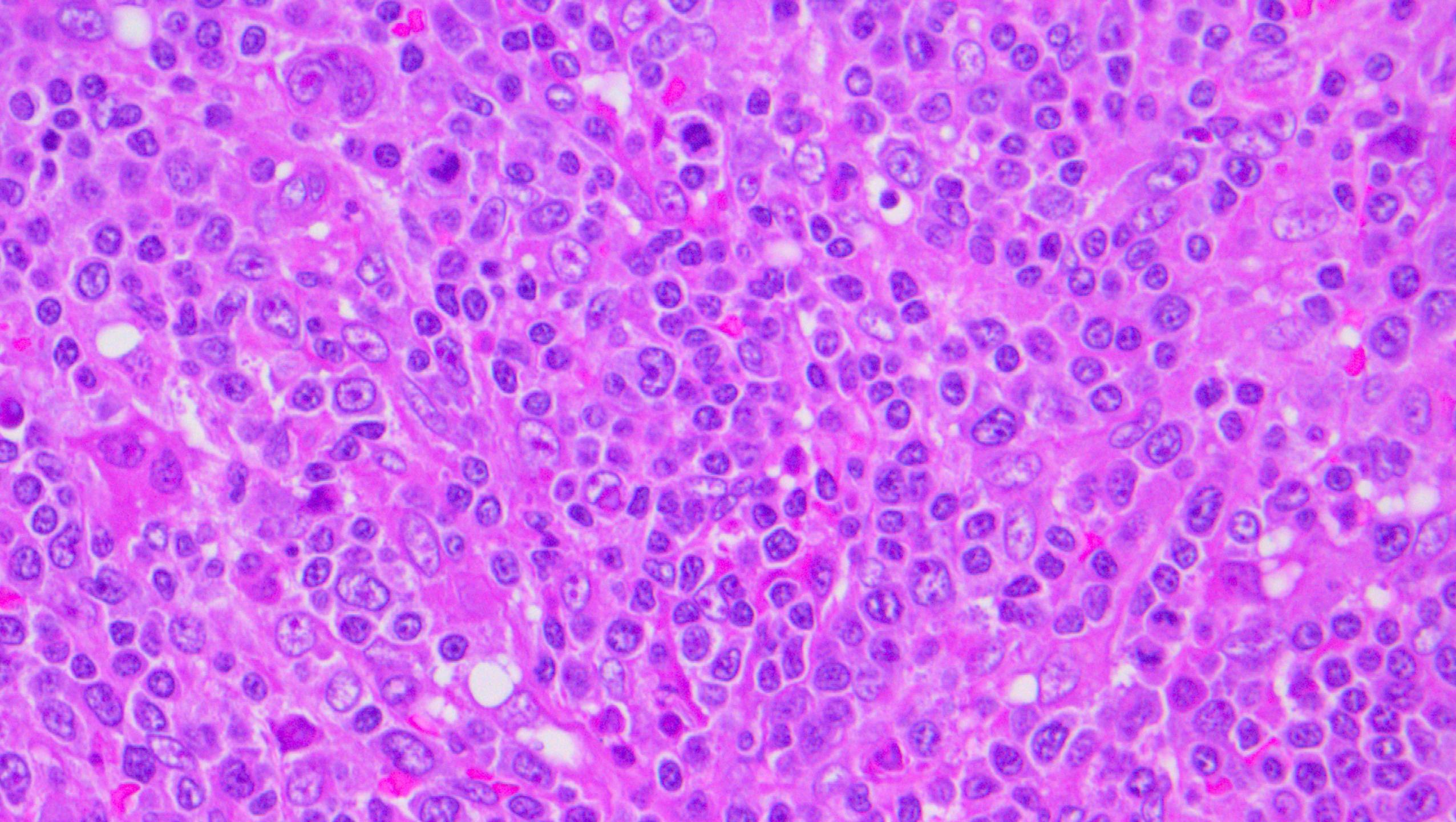


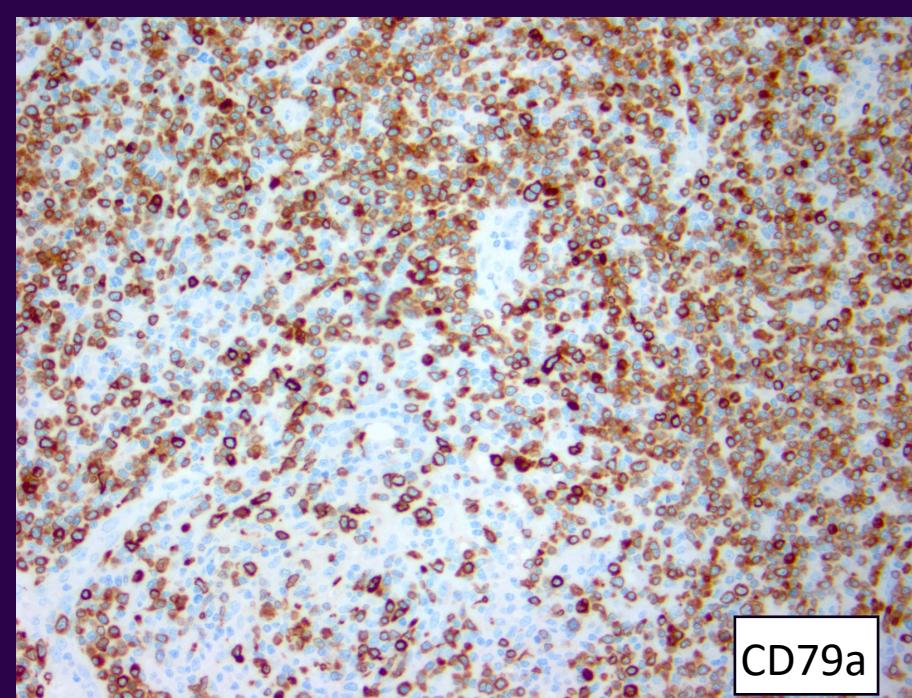
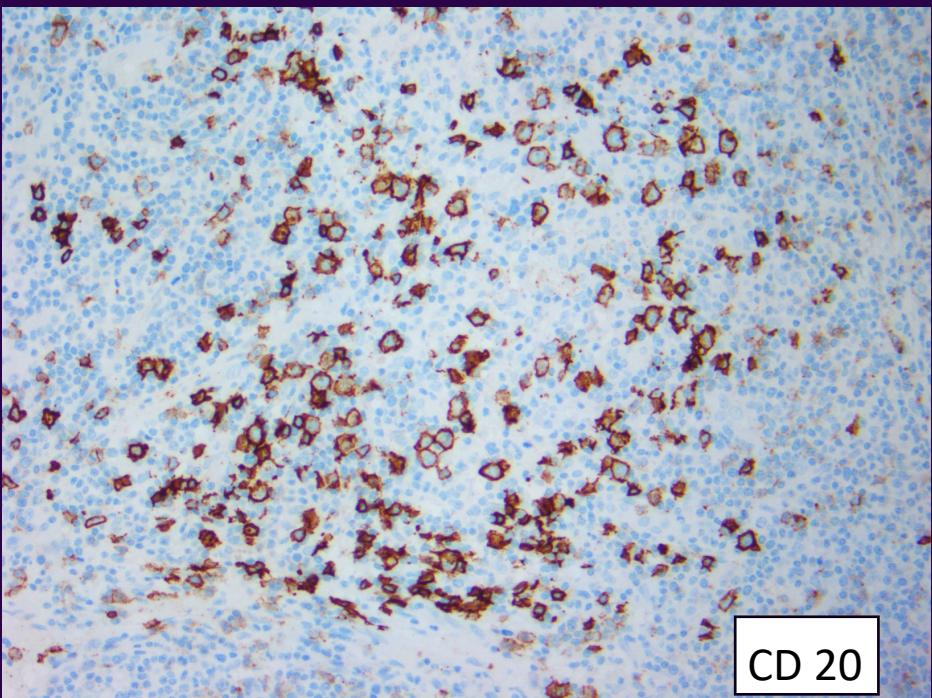
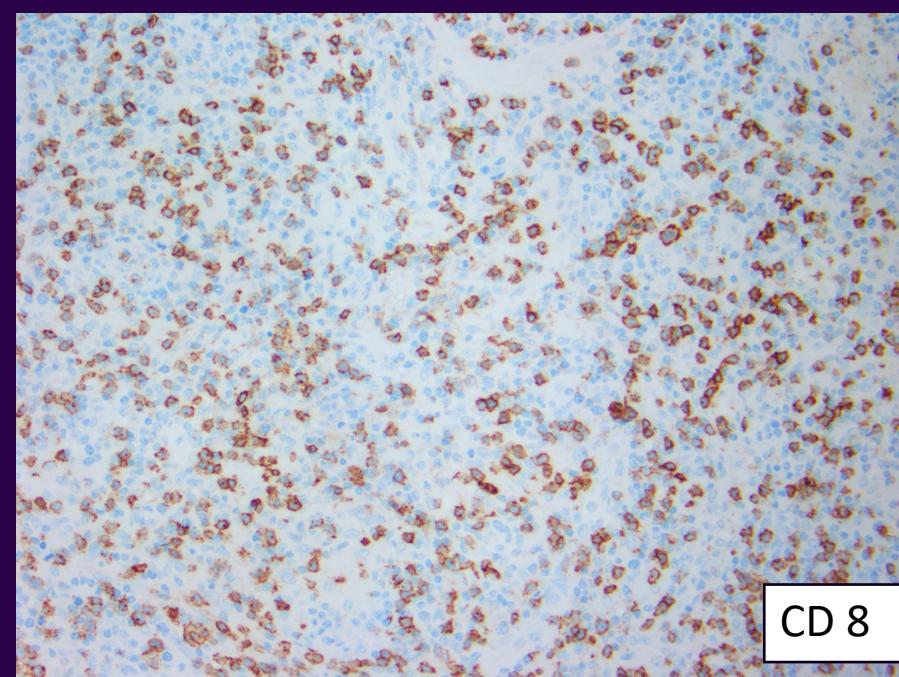
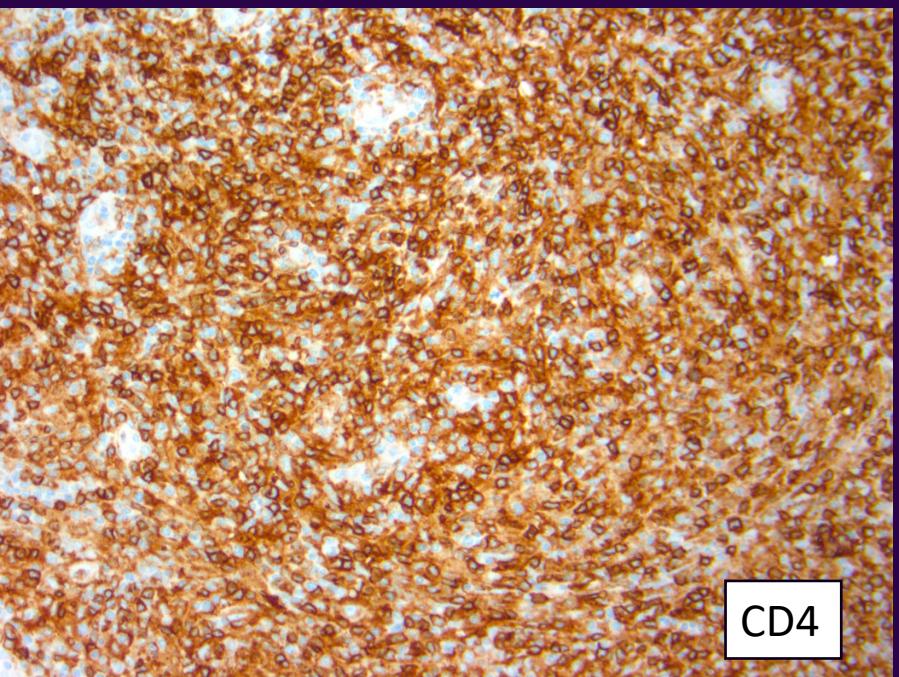
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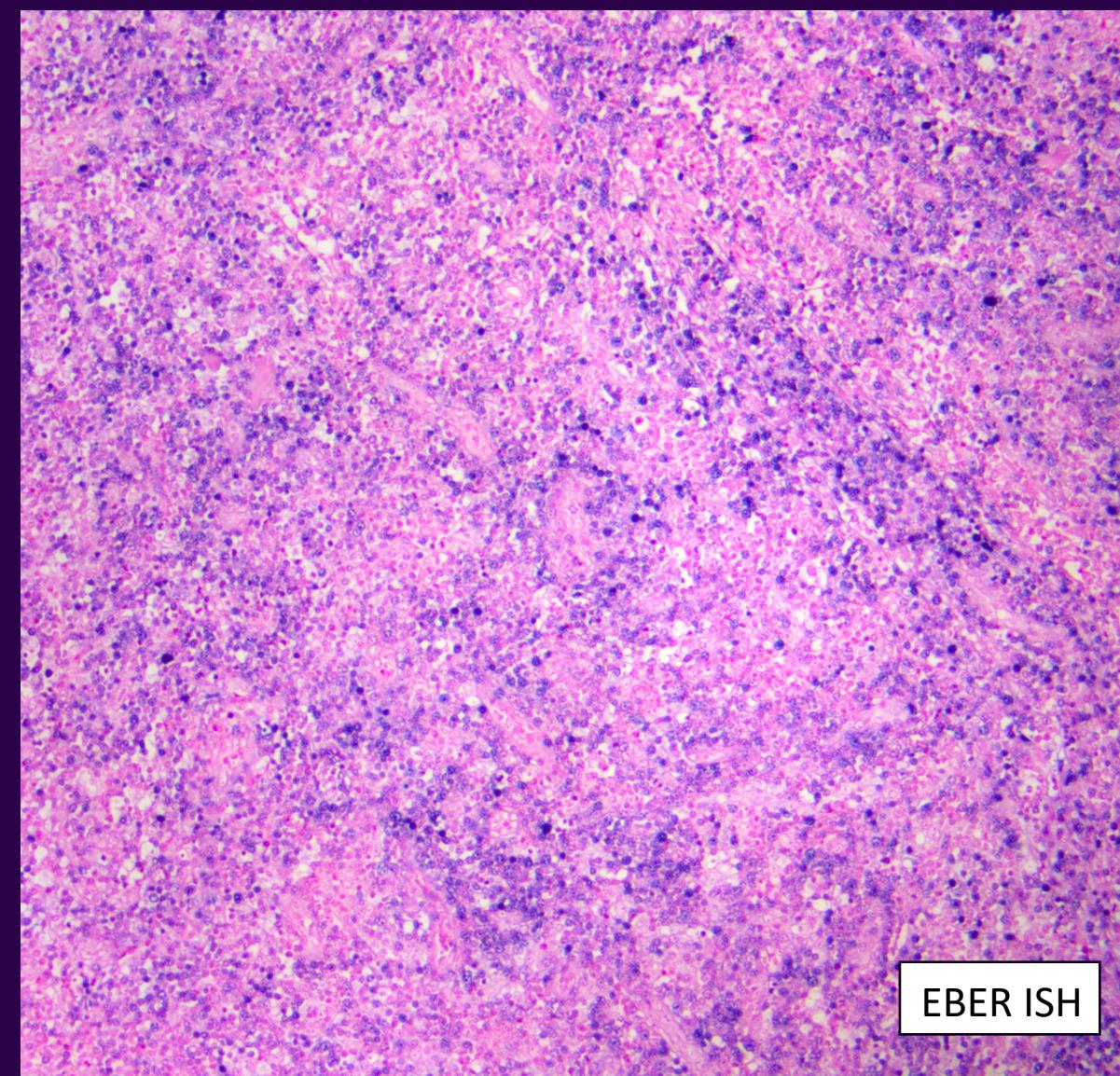
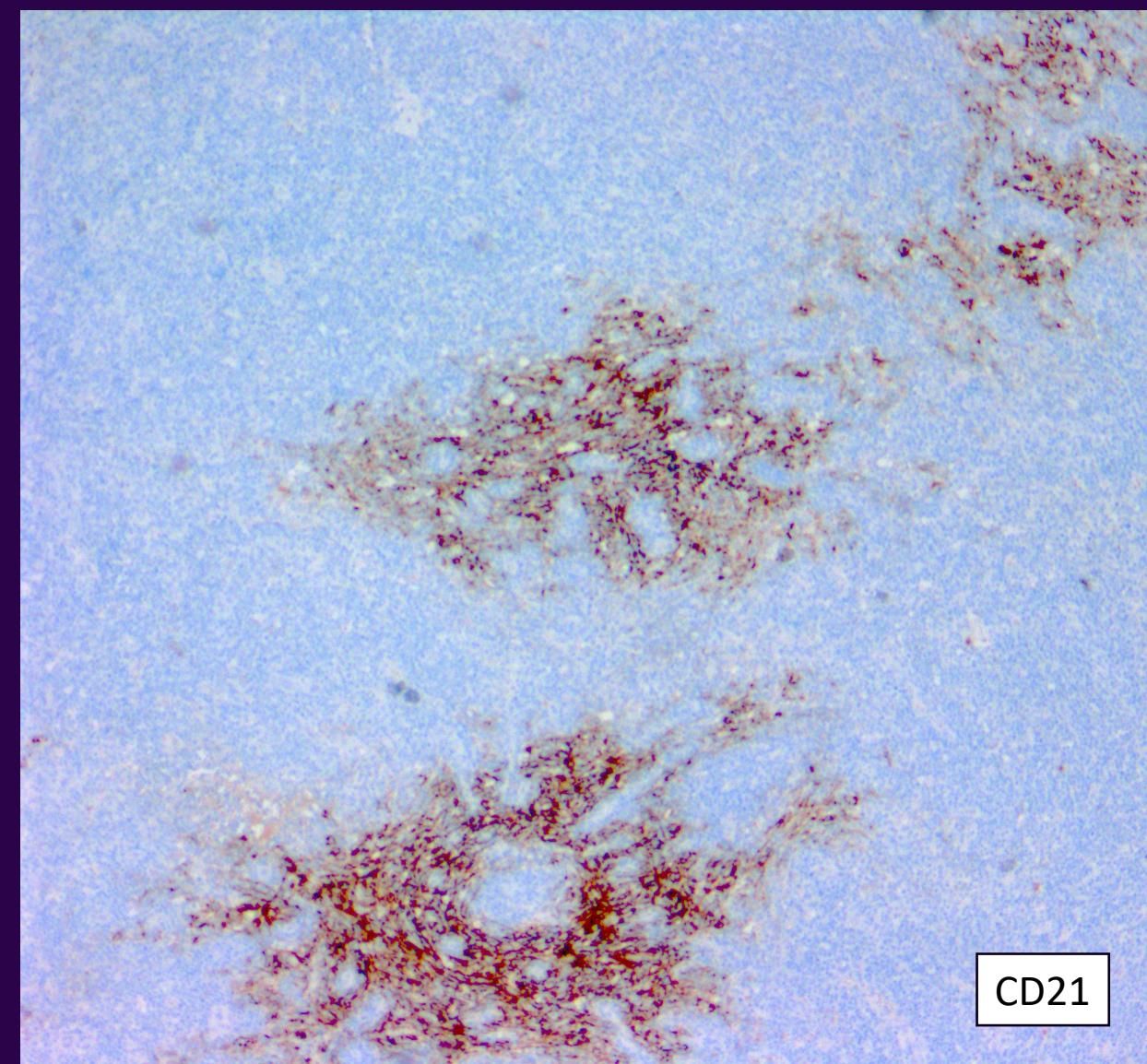


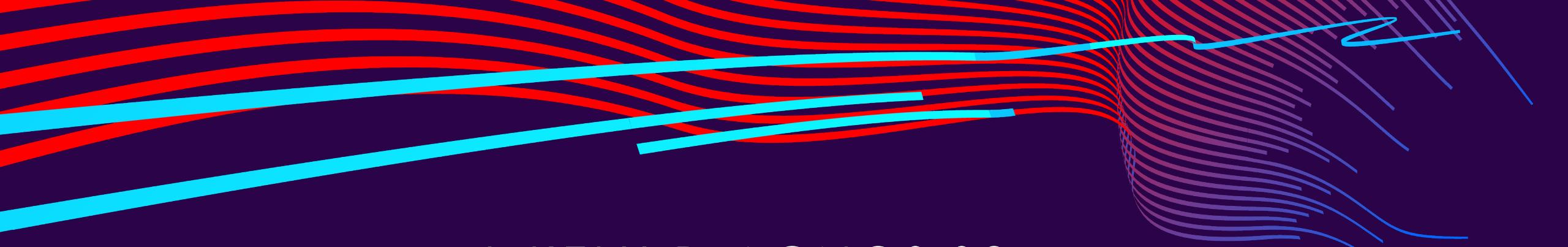












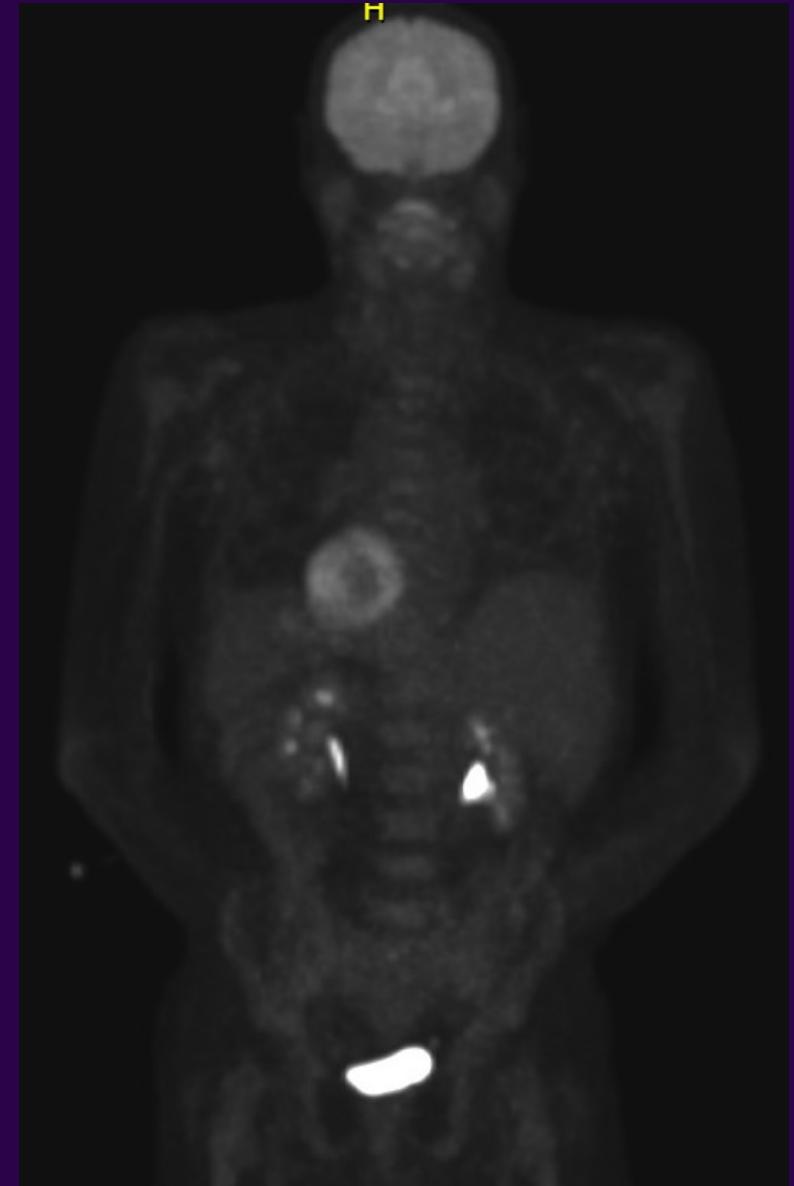
# LIKELY DIAGNOSIS?

Polymorphic variant of EBV positive DLBCL

Background T cell lymphoma, warrants exclusion

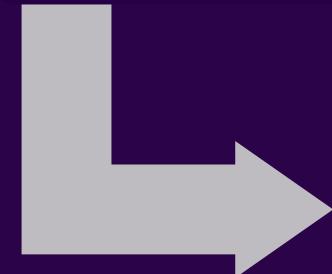
# FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS

- Referred to our hospital and seen in OPD 3 weeks later
- PET-CT performed prior to OPD showed **complete resolution of adenopathy**
- Normalisation of LDH, AST, ALT
- Clinically, no evidence of lymphadenopathy
- Plan - surveillance imaging in 3 months



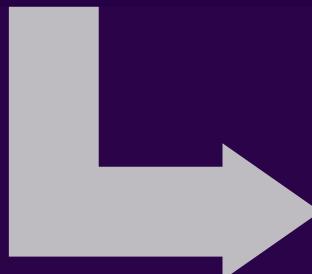
Widespread  
lymphadenopathy,  
splenomegaly, B  
symptoms

- ? EBV positive DLBCL
- T cell lymphoma to be  
ruled out



Resolution of  
symptoms and  
adenopathy

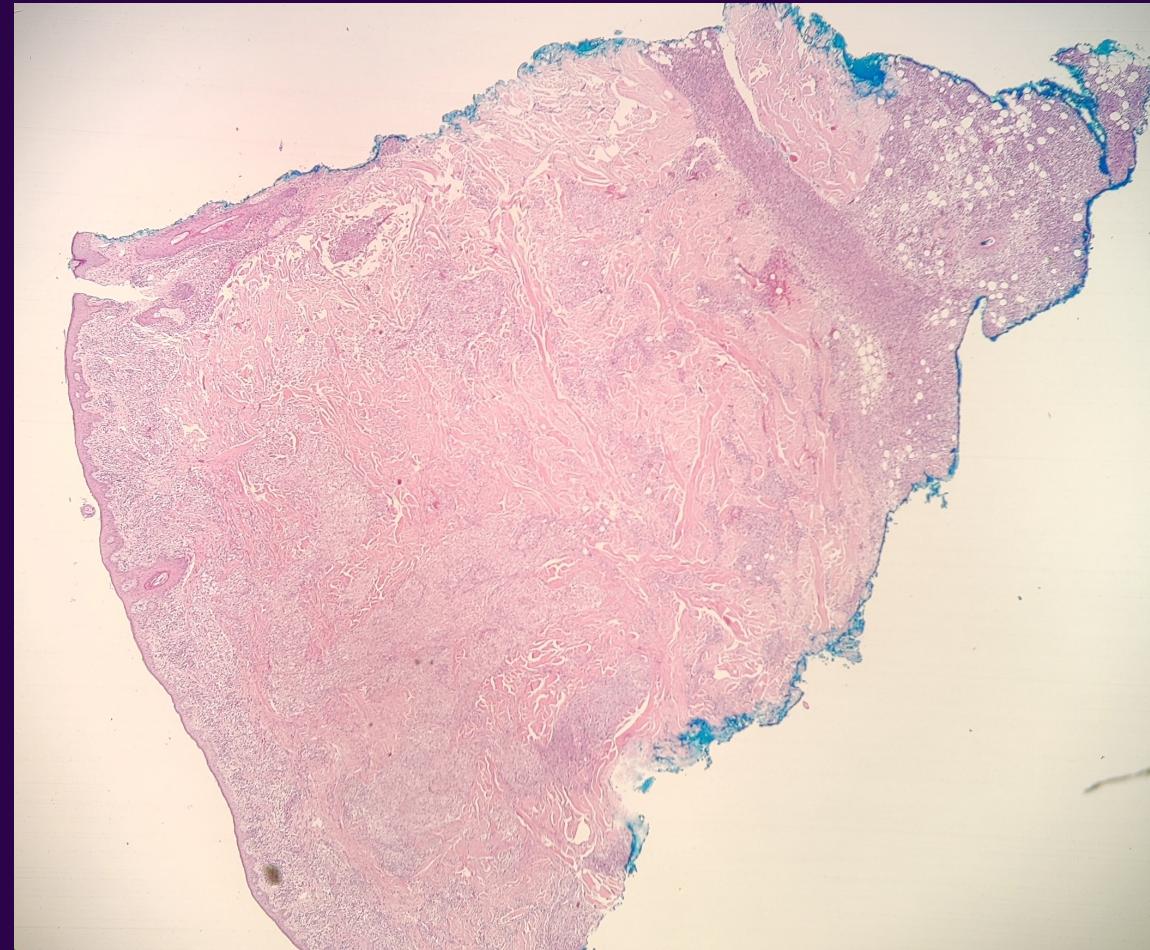
- ? infectious  
mononucleosis
- Close follow up advised



Clonality testing  
awaited  
**External opinion  
requested**

# RE-PRESENTATION

- February 2024 (3 months since PET-CT)
  - Readmitted in T1RF, requiring NIV
  - Widespread rash
  - Deranged LFTs
  - Nodular consolidation in lungs, recurrence of mediastinal lymphadenopathy and multiple hypoattenuating liver lesions on imaging
- Liver and skin biopsies performed
- EBV DNA 177,992 copy/mL (Log 5.3) Feb 2024



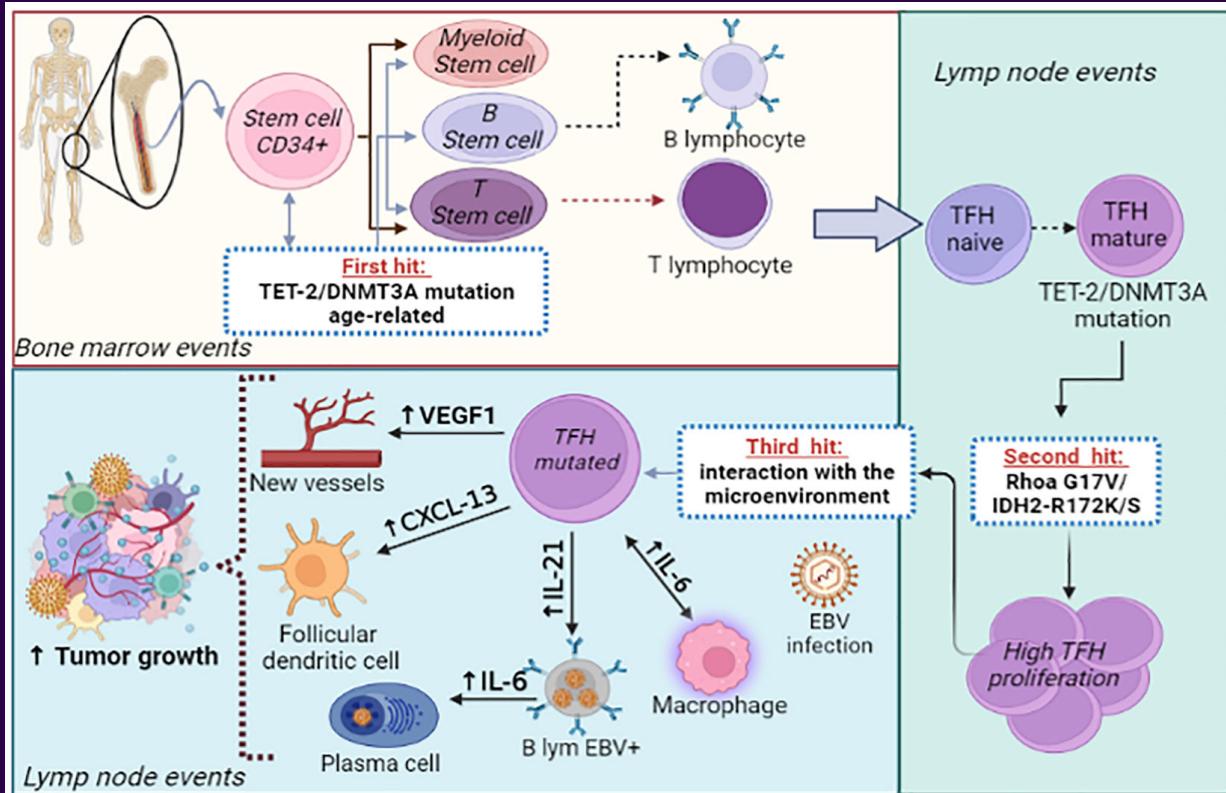
# EXPERT OPINION APRIL 2024

- Nodal T follicular helper cell lymphoma, angioimmunoblastic type (WHO 5<sup>th</sup> Ed)
- Marked EBV positive B cell proliferation involving the lymph node, skin and liver

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Clonality testing by PCR revealed **weak T and B cell rearrangements**

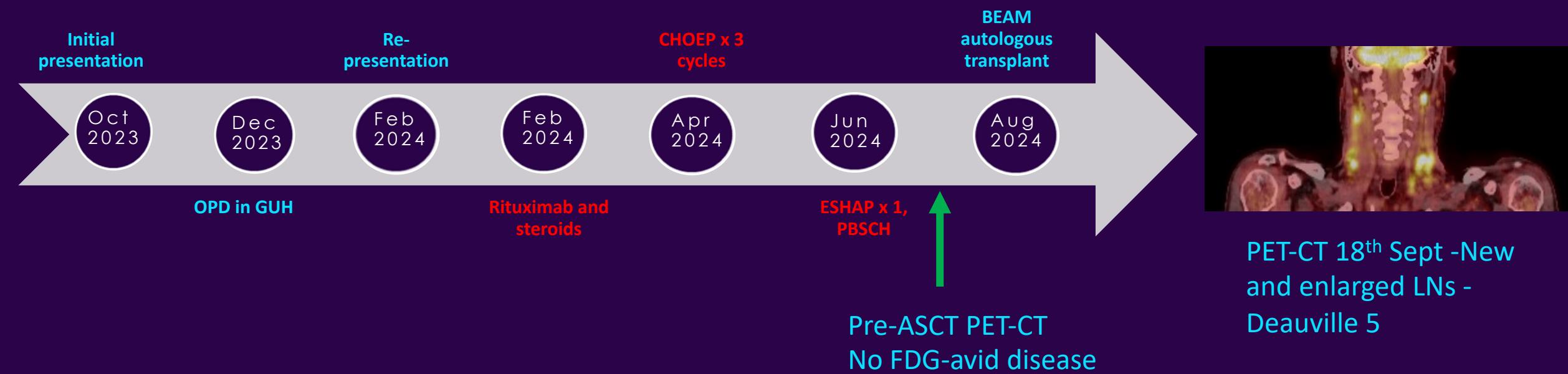
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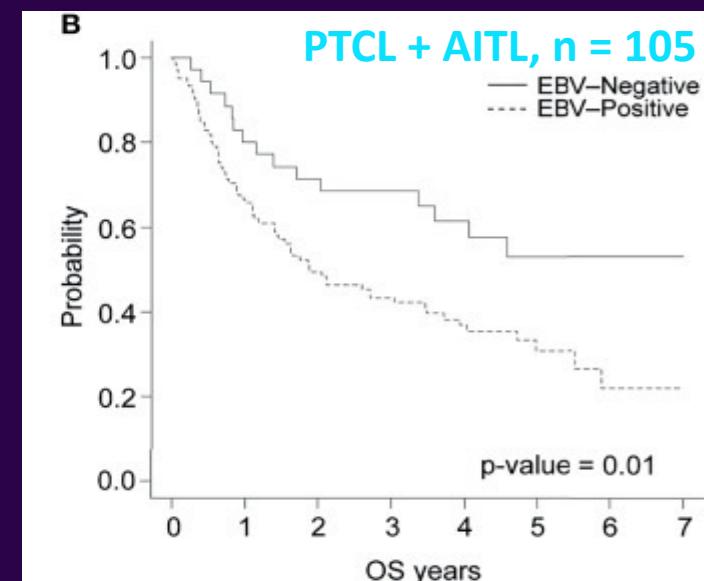
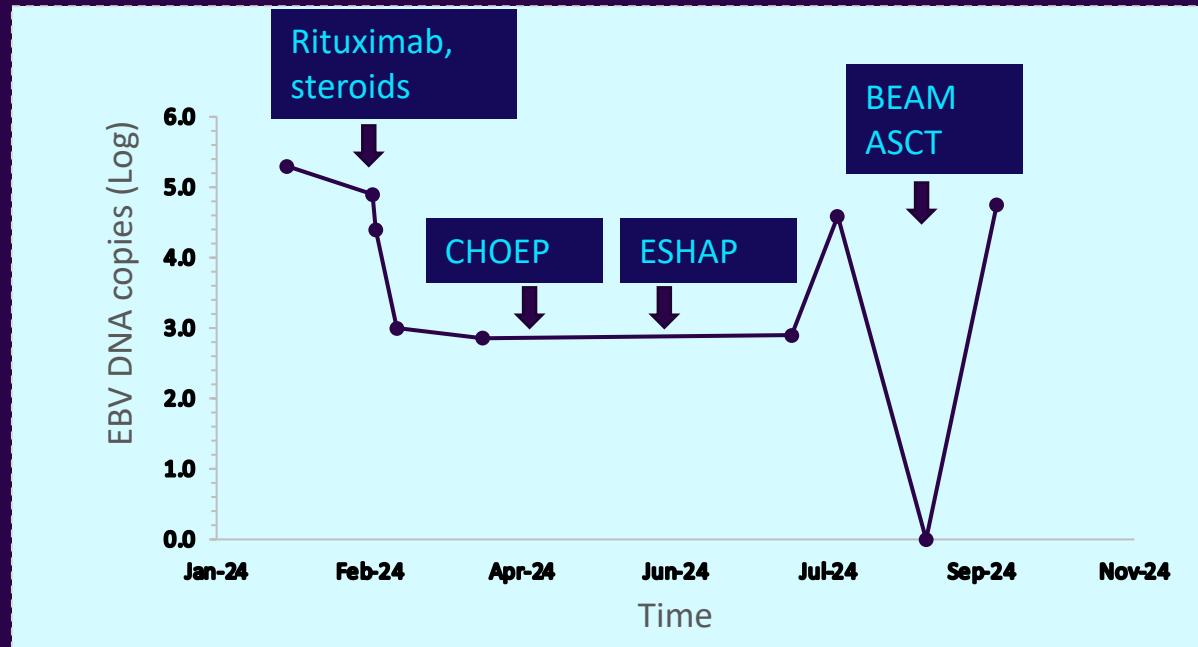
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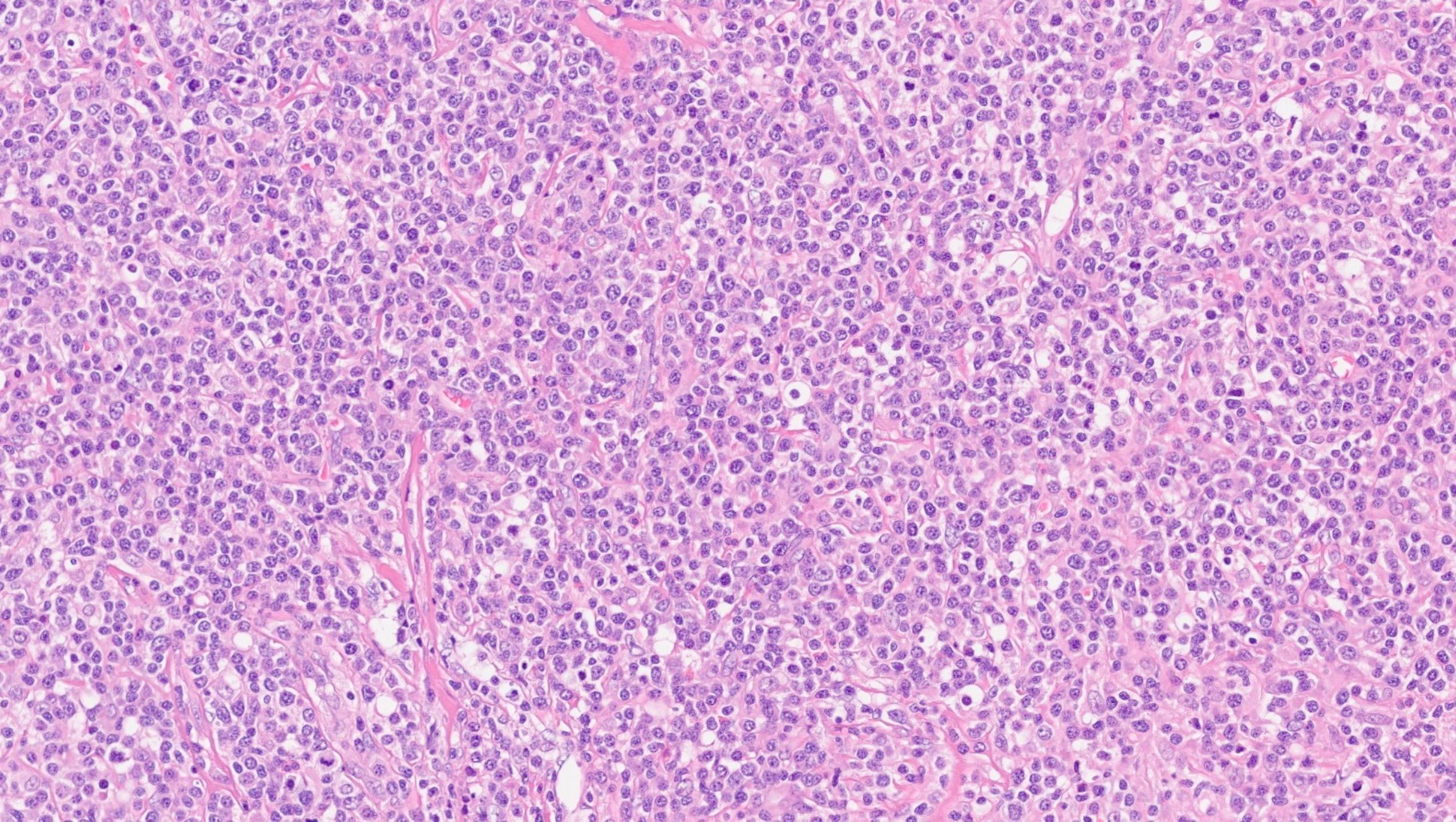
- Stage 4 disease
- IPI - high risk
- PS 0

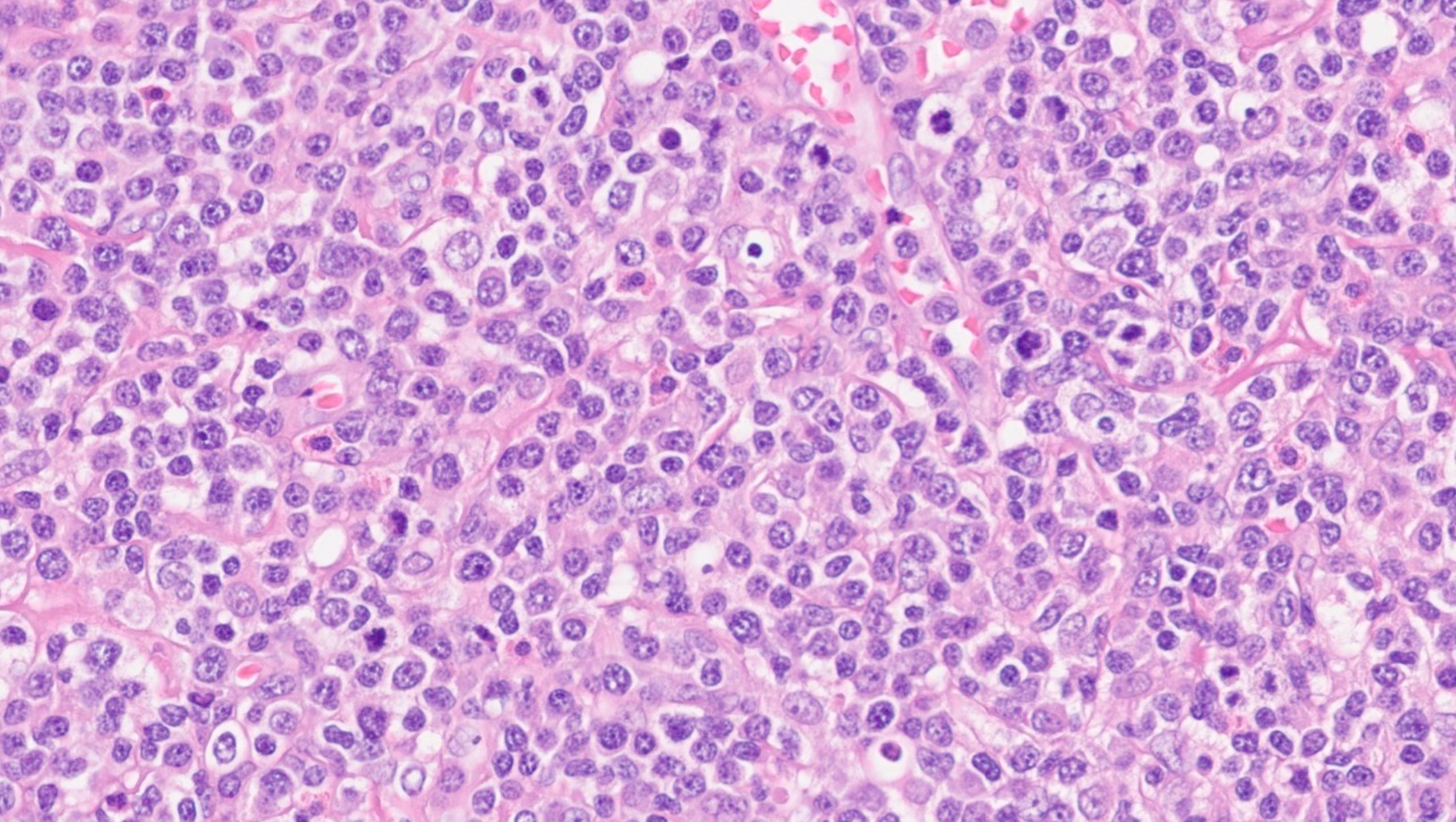


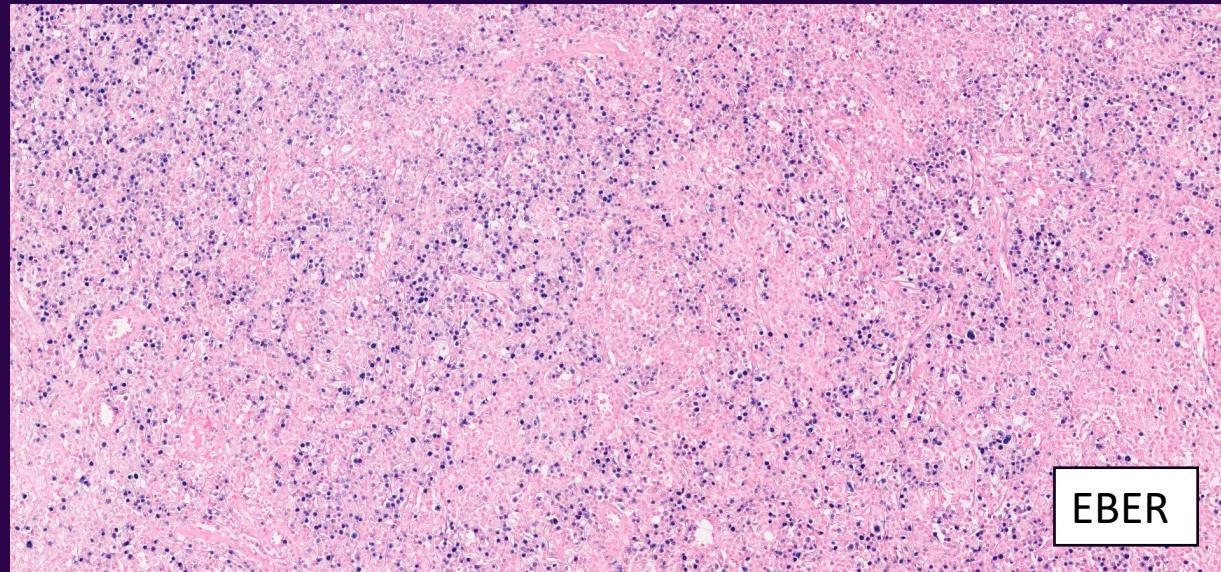
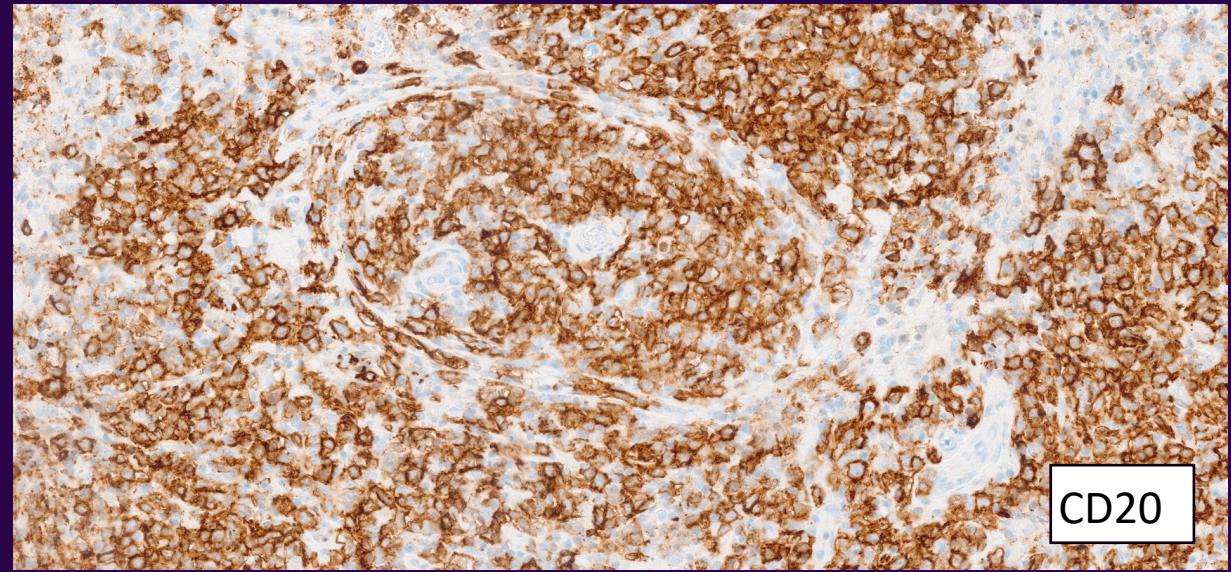
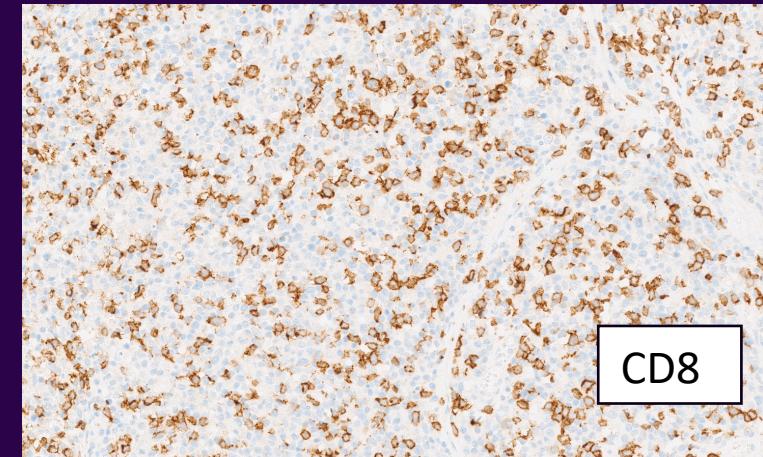
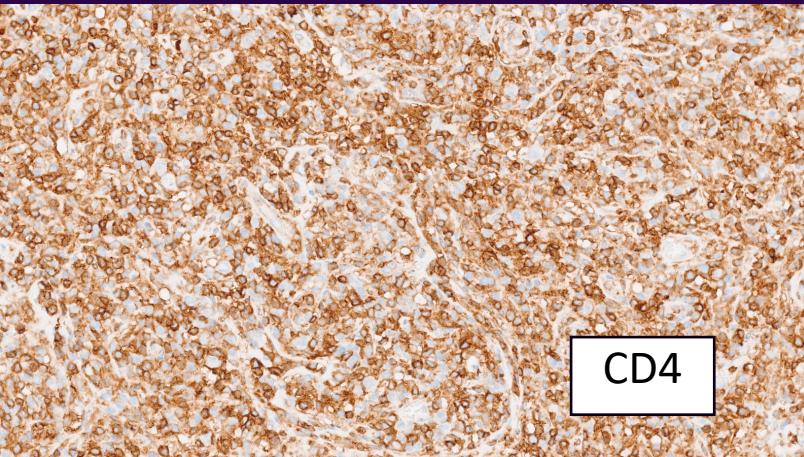
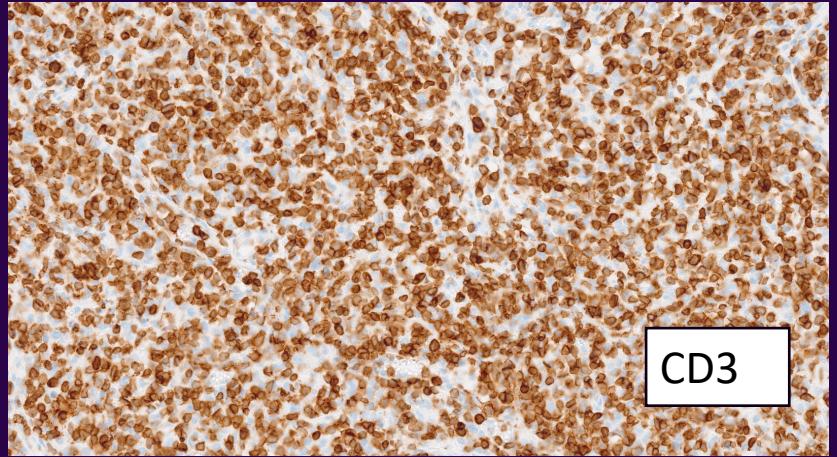
# EBV TREND DURING TREATMENT



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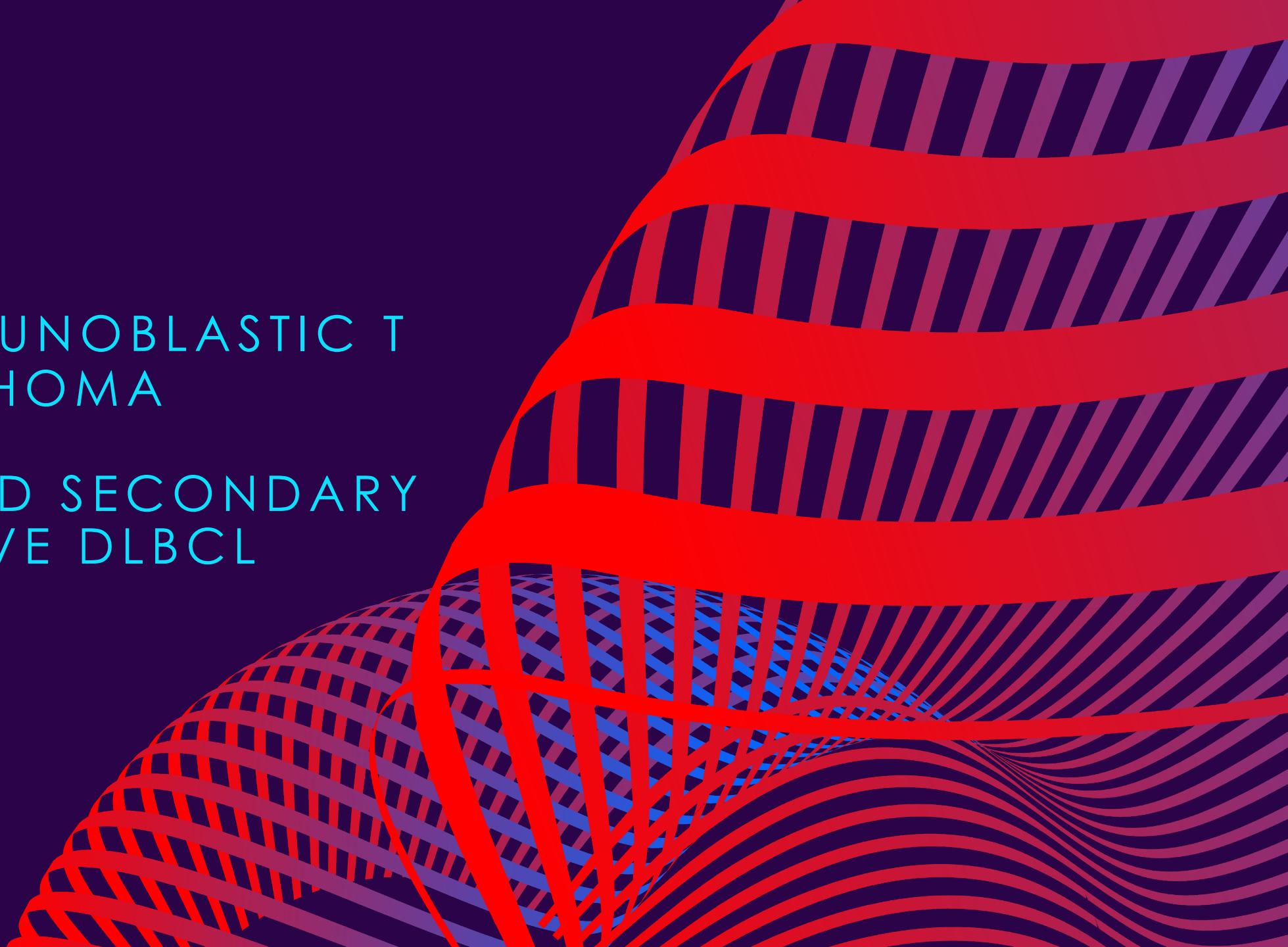




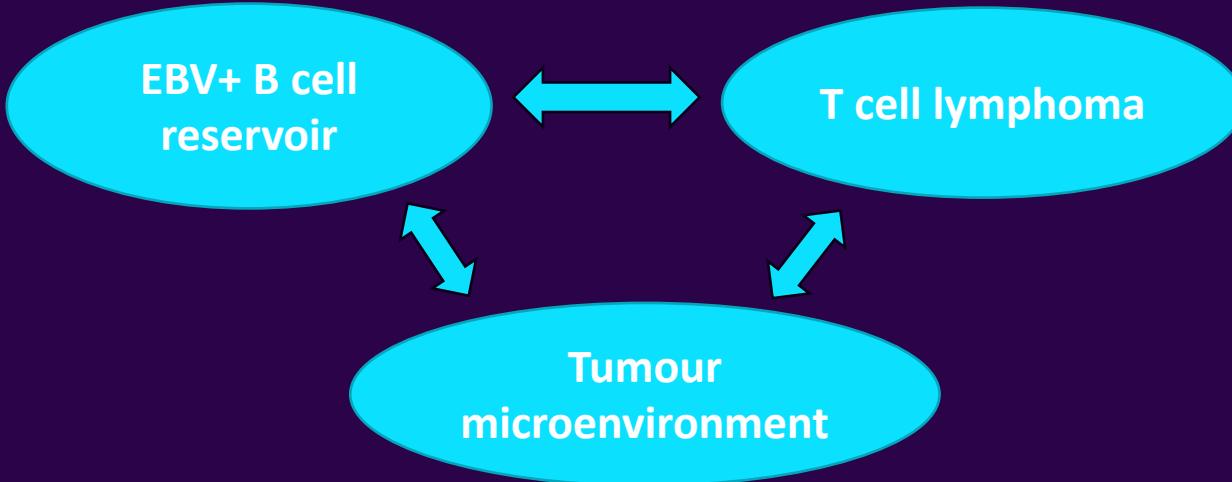


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ANGIOIMMUNOBLASTIC T  
CELL LYMPHOMA

ASSOCIATED SECONDARY  
EBV POSITIVE DLBCL



# FURTHER THERAPY?



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NGS report from initial LN excision

Histone de-acetylation

Hypomethylating agents

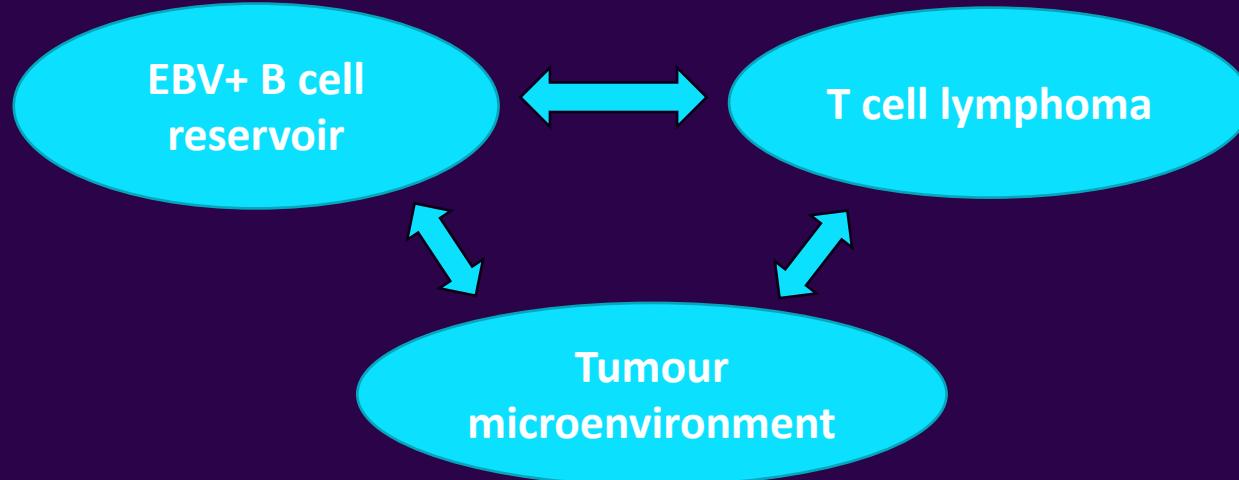
Anti-CD30 conjugate

Anti-CD19 therapy

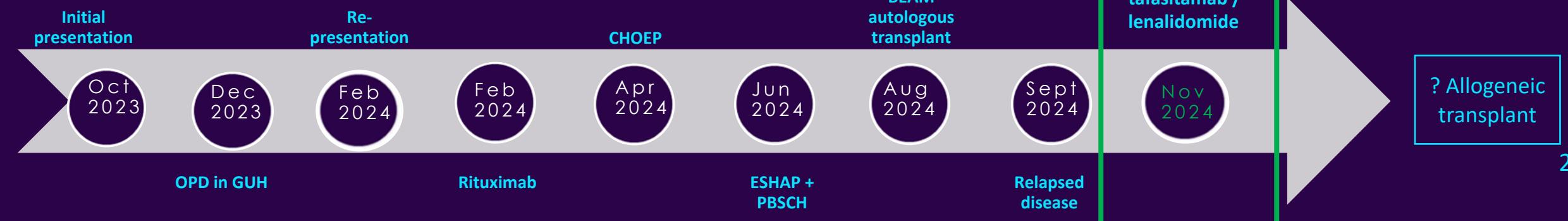
Immunotherapy

Immunomodulation

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