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Skin Tumours of the Head and Neck

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Types

- **Benign**
- **Malignant**

Malignant

- carcinoma – malignancy of epithelium
- sarcoma – malignancy of mesenchyme

Benign

Cysts

- epidermal
- pilar (trichilemmal)



pilar cyst





Epidermoid cyst

Cysts

sebaceous (true)

- **steatocystoma**
- **chalazion**



steatocystoma multiplex



Cyst

- **sudoriferous**
 - **hydrocystoma or cystadenoma**



Hydrocystoma



Hydrocystoma

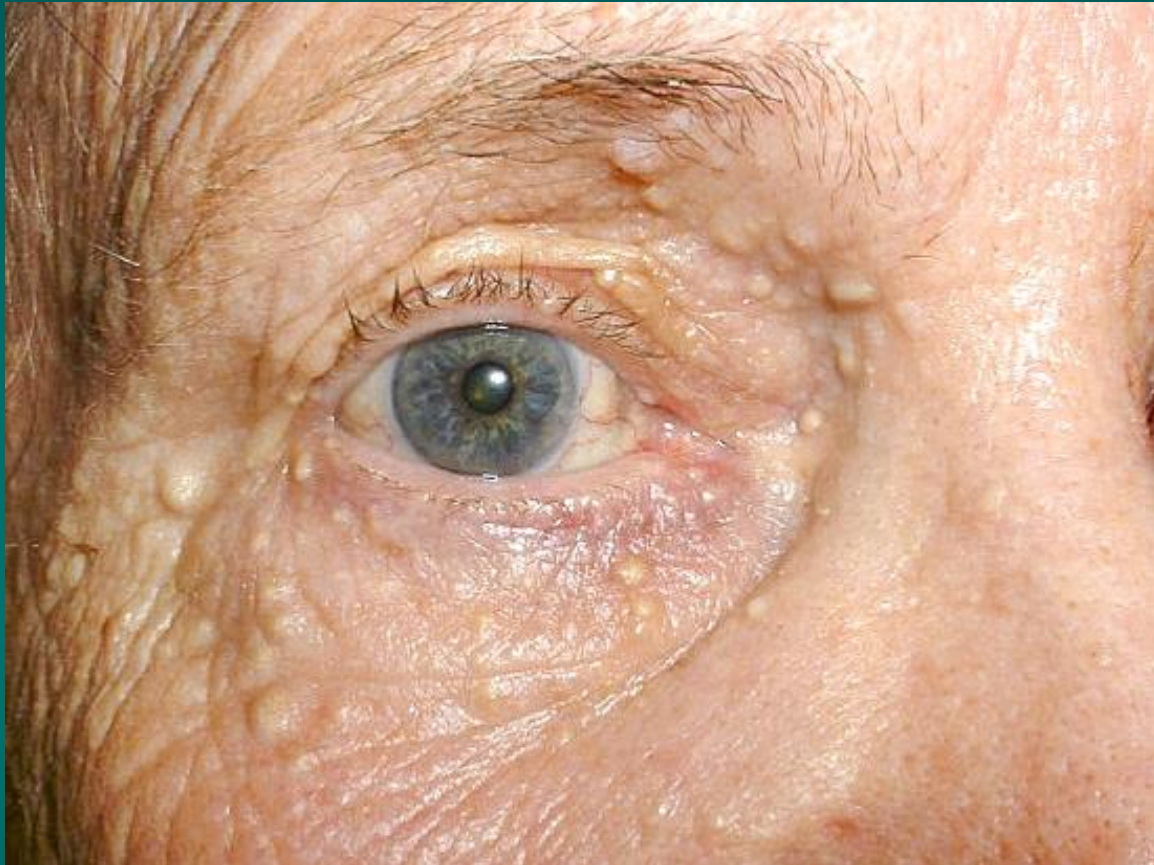




Xanthelasma



Syringoma



Syringoma

Milia





Milia

Trichoepithelioma



Trichoepithelioma

Trichofolliculoma

Pore of Winer



Trichfolliculoma



Pore of Winer

Pilomatricoma

(calcifying epithelioma of
Malherbe)



Pilomatricoma





Pilomatricoma excision

Cylindroma

(turban tumour)



Cylindroma (turban tumour)



Cylindroma (turban tumour)



Sebaceous Naevus of Jadassohn

(Organoid nevus)



sebaceous naevus of Jadassohn



linear naevus of Jadassohn

Basal cell carcinoma

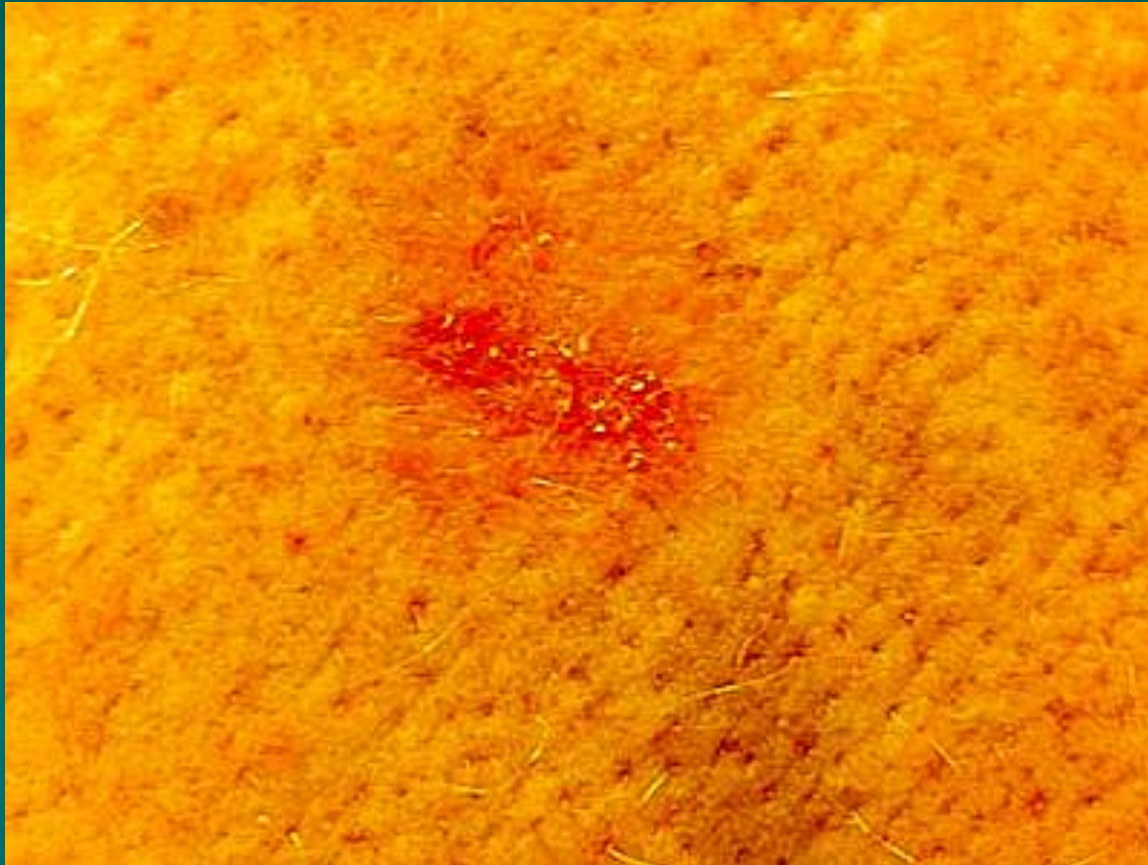
A tumour of the keratinizing cells of the basal layer of the epidermis and outer root sheath of the hair follicle.

Basal cell carcinoma

- in hair-bearing areas
- younger patients
- >75% of skin cancers
- nodular on head and neck



Nodular basal cell carcinoma



Superficial BCC



Morphoeic BCC

Basal cell carcinoma

Royal College of Pathologists:
Dataset for BCC reporting

Low-risk growth pattern:

- A. superficial multicentric, multifocal**
- B. nodular**
- C. fibroepithelial BCC of Pinkus**

High-risk growth pattern:

- A. Infiltrating, sclerosing, morphoeic**
- B. micronodular**

A or B = infiltrative BCC

BCC/SCC/Adnexal Ca

- T_1 ≤ 2 cm and < 2 high-risk features
- T_2 > 2 cm, or ≥ 2 high-risk features
- T_3 invades maxilla mandible orbit temple
- T_4 invades axial / appendicular skeleton or skull or surrounds a nerve (perineural)

BCC/SCC Eyelid

- $T_1 \leq 5$ mm
- $T_{2A} > 5$ mm, but ≤ 10 mm
- $T_{2B} > 10$ mm, but ≤ 20 mm
- $T_3 > 20$ mm
- T_4 invasive



BCC Aetiology

UV radiation causes a mutation of SMOH and PTCH1 gene products that interrupts the Sonic Hedgehog pathway.



BCC Aetiology

- Xeroderma pigmentosa
- Gorlin's Syndrome
- Metastasis 0.0028% – 0.1%

BCC Margins

- **clinically favourable:**
2–3 mm macro,
0.5 mm micro
- **clinically unfavourable:**
3 mm micro

SCC

arise from the spindle
(keratinising cells)

- actinic keratosis
- SCC in situ
- SCC



SCC/Adnexal Ca

High-risk features:

- depth > 2 mm
- Clark's IV or more
- perineural

Location:

- ear
- lip

Differentiation: poor

SCC unfavourable factors

- anatomical site
- non-UV cause
- lymphatic infiltration
- spindle cell type
- immuno-suppression
- size > 2 cm

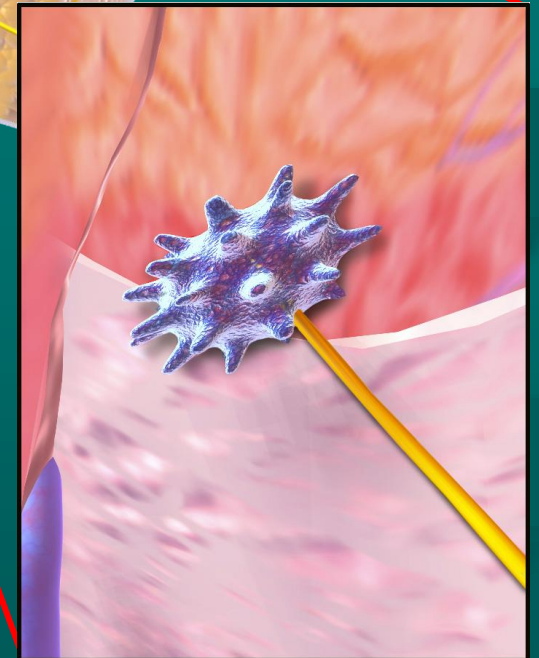
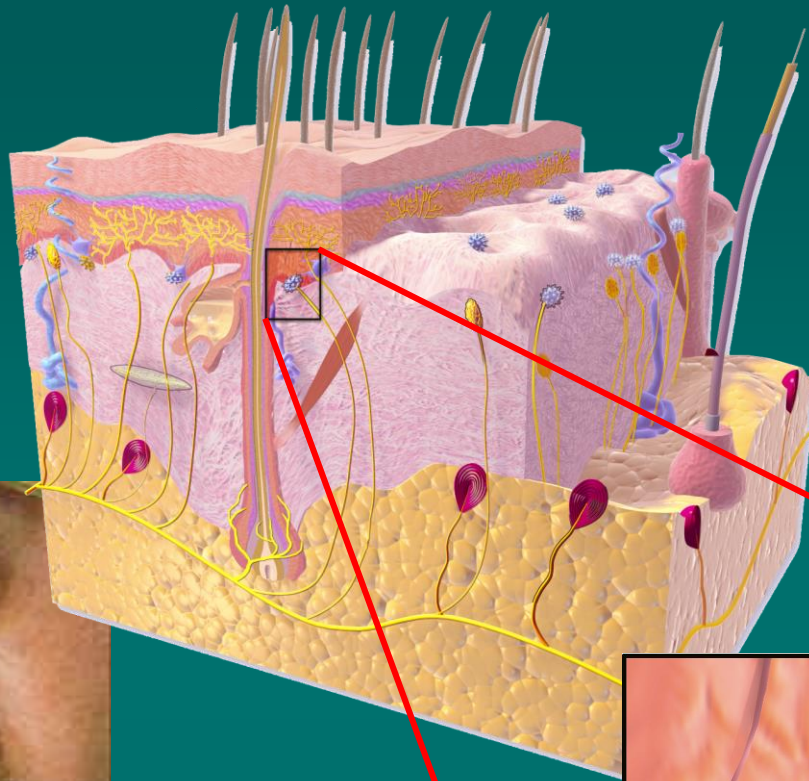
SCC

- Margin 4 mm
- Metastasis < 5%
- (after Metastasis 5 y.s.
25% – 40%)

Merkel Cell Carcinoma

= cutaneous APUDoma

= 1° neuroendocrine carcinoma
of skin



Merkel Cell Carcinoma

MCC Aetiology

- Merkel Cell polyomavirus 80%

Clinical:

- male > female
- age 60–80
- Caucasian
- 50% H & N
- 12% metastatic

MCC TNM (AJCC)

- $T_1 \leq 2$ cm
- $T_2 > 2$ cm, to ≤ 5 cm
- $T_3 > 5$ cm
- T_4 regional invasion

MCC Management

PET/CT

MCC Surgery

Margins

- **WLE**
- **Mohs**

Lymph node status

- **SLNB**

MCC

- Radiation 50 Gy
- Chemotherapy
 - < 2 cm – 80% 5 y.s.
 - overall – 60% 5 y.s.

Dermatofibrosarcoma protuberans (DFSP)

- **1% of all sarcomas**
- **male > female**
- **40–60 years**
- **5% metastasise**



DFSP

DFSP Management

- B_x
- CT / MRI
- PET / CT

DFSP Surgery

- margins 2–3 cm
- recurrence 41% < 2 cm
- 24% > 2 cm
- Mohs

Radiation: 50–70 Gy

Chemotherapy: imatinib, sorafenib

Others

- **Atypical fibroxanthoma (AFX)**
- **Malignant fibrous histiocyoma (MFH)**
= pleomorphic undifferentiated sarcoma (PUS)
- **Kaposi's sarcoma**
- **Lymphosarcoma**

Thank you