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Toxicologic Pathology of The Beagle Dog

**Evaluation of the female reproductive system in
toxicity Studies**

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Outline

- Estrous cycle – Histology
- Sexual maturity
- Hormone data
- Mammary gland (dog and rat)
- Test article induced changes
- Drug-induced estrogenic and antiestrogenic effects

The stages of the cycle

- Proestrus
 - bloody discharge/vulva edema/'in heat'/vaginal rugae
 - follicular growth
 - 1-2 weeks
- Estrus
 - receptive to male
 - follicular phase
 - Ovulation
 - metestrus phase –luteinization of postovulatory follicles
 - 1-2 weeks
- Diestrus
 - unreceptive to male
 - functional corpora lutea
 - mammary glands enlarge/pseudopregnancy
 - 2-3 months
- Anestrus
 - no specific clinical signs/genitalia & mammary minimum size
 - ovarian quiescence
 - 3-5 months

The Cycle in the bitch

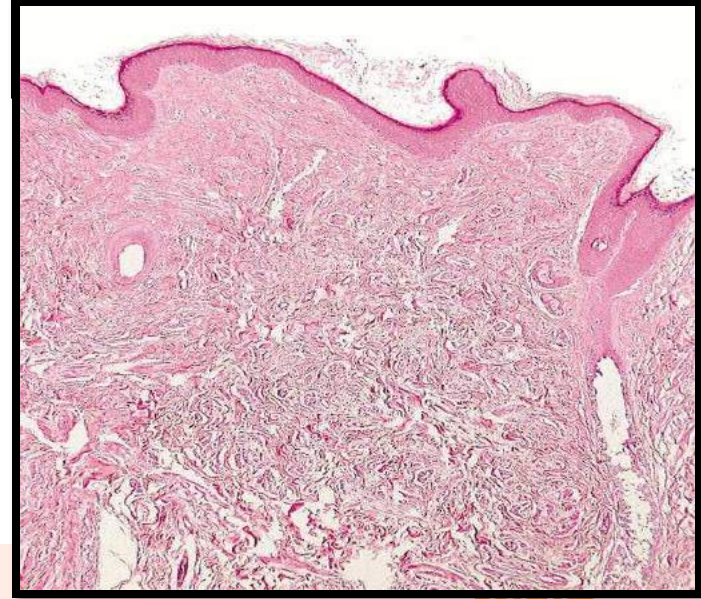
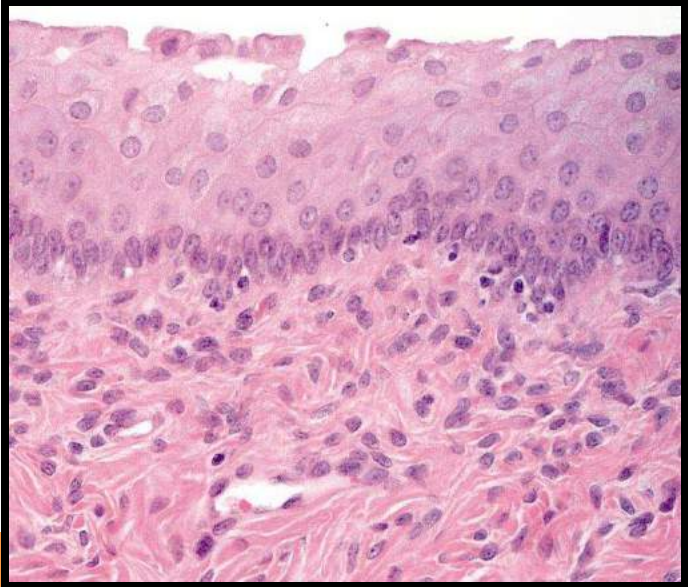
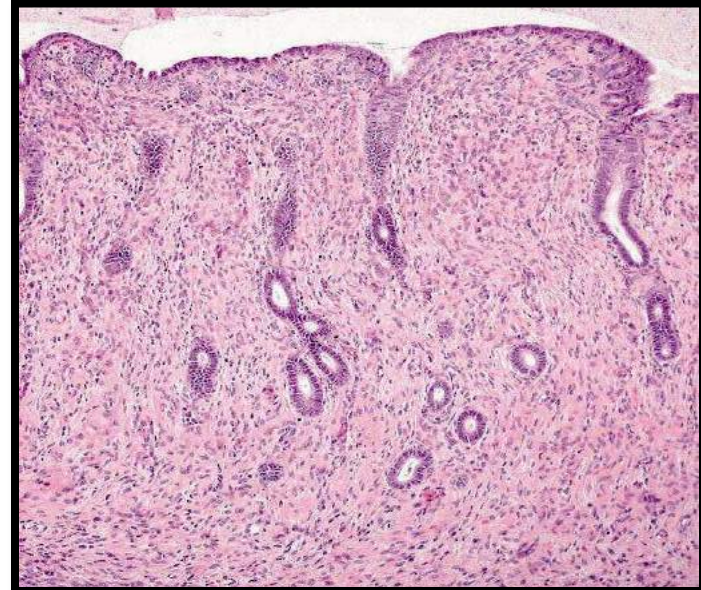
- First estrus 8-14 months of age - 1.5 estruses/year
- Stages determined by - clinical signs; vaginal smears; hormone analysis, histology
- Macroscopic/microscopic observations - Changes occur gradually
-End of one stage may closely resemble beginning of next stage
- In studies of ≤ 3 months duration, the animals may not have gone through estrous during the entire study
- With group sizes of 3-5/group, the chances of detecting an effect on the estrous cycle is very slim
- In general, more than 80% of the dogs are in the anestrus-diestrus stage, and a small percentage of dogs are immature (Chandra and Adler, 2008)

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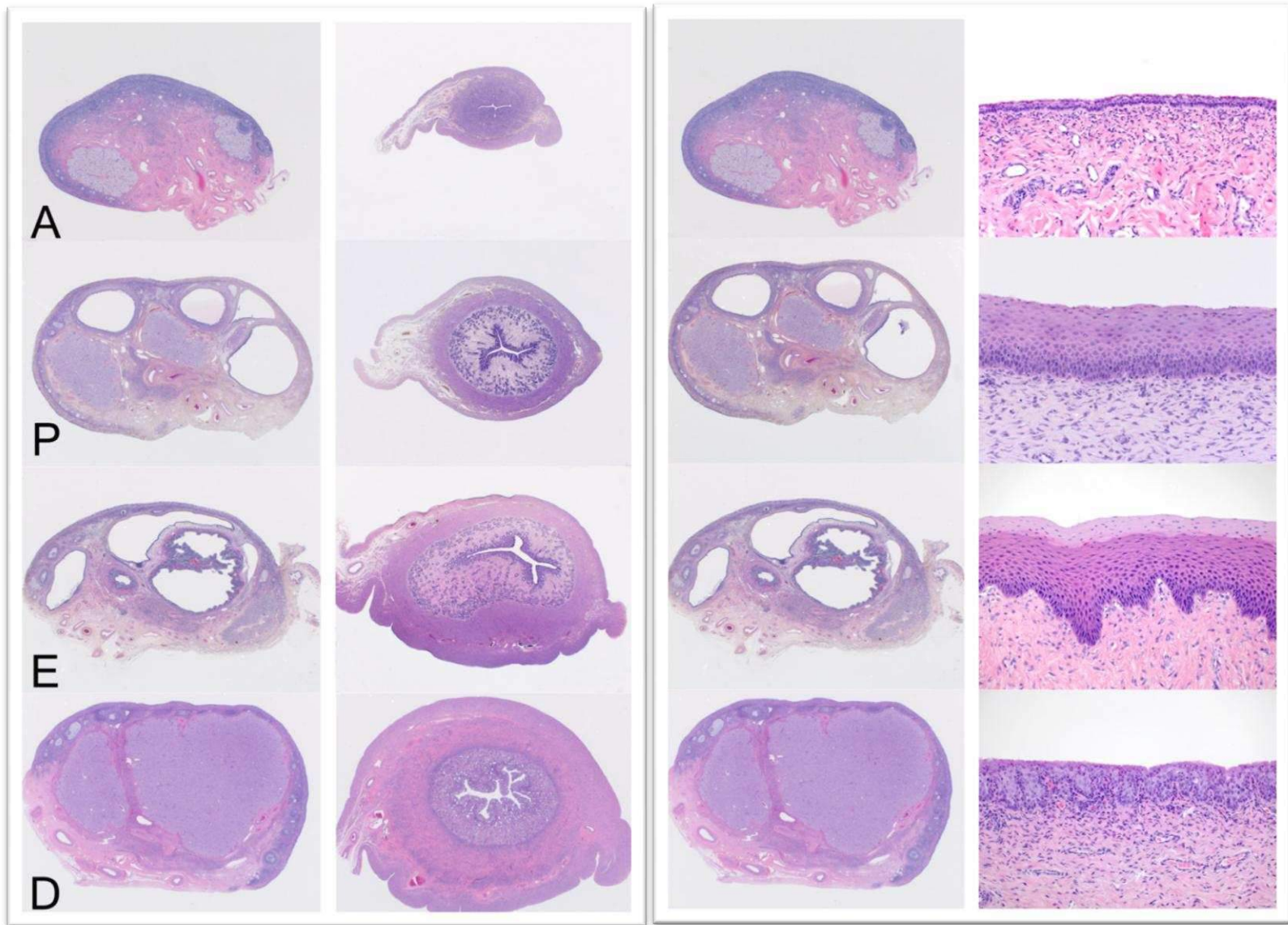
Frequency of Different Estrous Stages in Purpose-bred Beagles: A Retrospective Study

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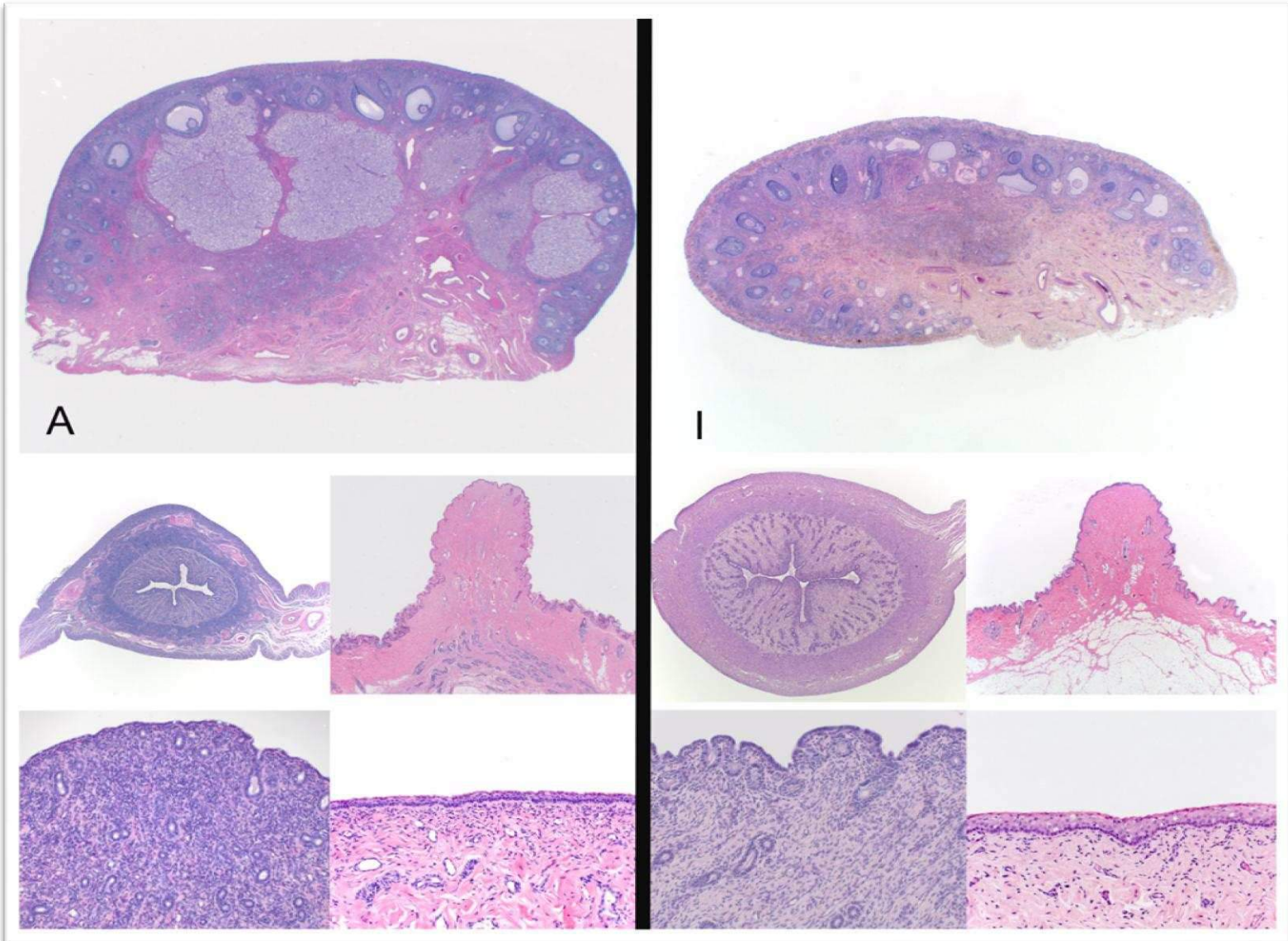
Immature dog



Staging the estrous cycle in dogs



Anestrus vs. immature



Conundrum of Immaturity

- Often a problem with dogs and primates
- In dogs, females undergo 1st estrous between 10 and 14 months of age.
- Not unusual to observe one immature dog in a study (even when 10-12 month old dogs are used)
- Small group size makes interpretation a challenge
- Morphologic differences between immaturity and atrophic changes?

Organ Weights

- STP – Position

- Most toxicities of the female reproductive tract can be adequately identified by light microscopy.
- Variability in age, sexual maturity, and stage of cycle in non-rodents may complicate or limit interpretation of reproductive organ weights.
- Weighing of reproductive organs is most valuable in sexually mature animals.
- *Weighing of other organs including female reproductive organs should be considered on a case-by-case basis.*
- Organ weight changes without macroscopic or microscopic correlation should be interpreted with caution.

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Society of Toxicologic Pathology Position Paper: Organ Weight Recommendations for Toxicology Studies

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Conundrum of Organ Weights

| | Dose (mg/kg) | Ovary (g) |
|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| Vehicle | 0 | 0.7030 |
| GSK123456 | 15 | 0.8257 |
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Conundrum of Organ Weights

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Recording – Reporting

- **Reporting in Toxicity Studies**
- Examine all reproductive tissues from individual dogs as a matching set
 - Understand inter-related morphology
- Is there a need to record normal cycle stages?
 - No need to record when all is normal
- Abnormal cycling often associated with lesions (recording cycle stages may aid provide clues to mechanism)
- Dogs/Monkeys (n=3/5) could skew the distribution
 - Rats (n ≥ 10) deviation from control would be apparent
- Pre-treatment data is useful if reproductive issues are suspected

Hormone Analysis

- Know what you are measuring
- Single vs. multiple time points
- Is it real?
- Correlate with histology!

FSH

Data from female Beagles from a 1-month toxicity study
Single time point

| | Control | 30 mg/kg/day | 100 mg/kg/day | 600 mg/kg/day |
|---------------------|---------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Mean FSH (ng/mL) | 7.00 | ↓ 4.23 | ↓ 6.63 | ↓ 2.84 |
| S.D. | 4.64 | 4.27 | 3.35 | 1.75 |
| N | 5 | 3 | 3 | 5 |

FSH

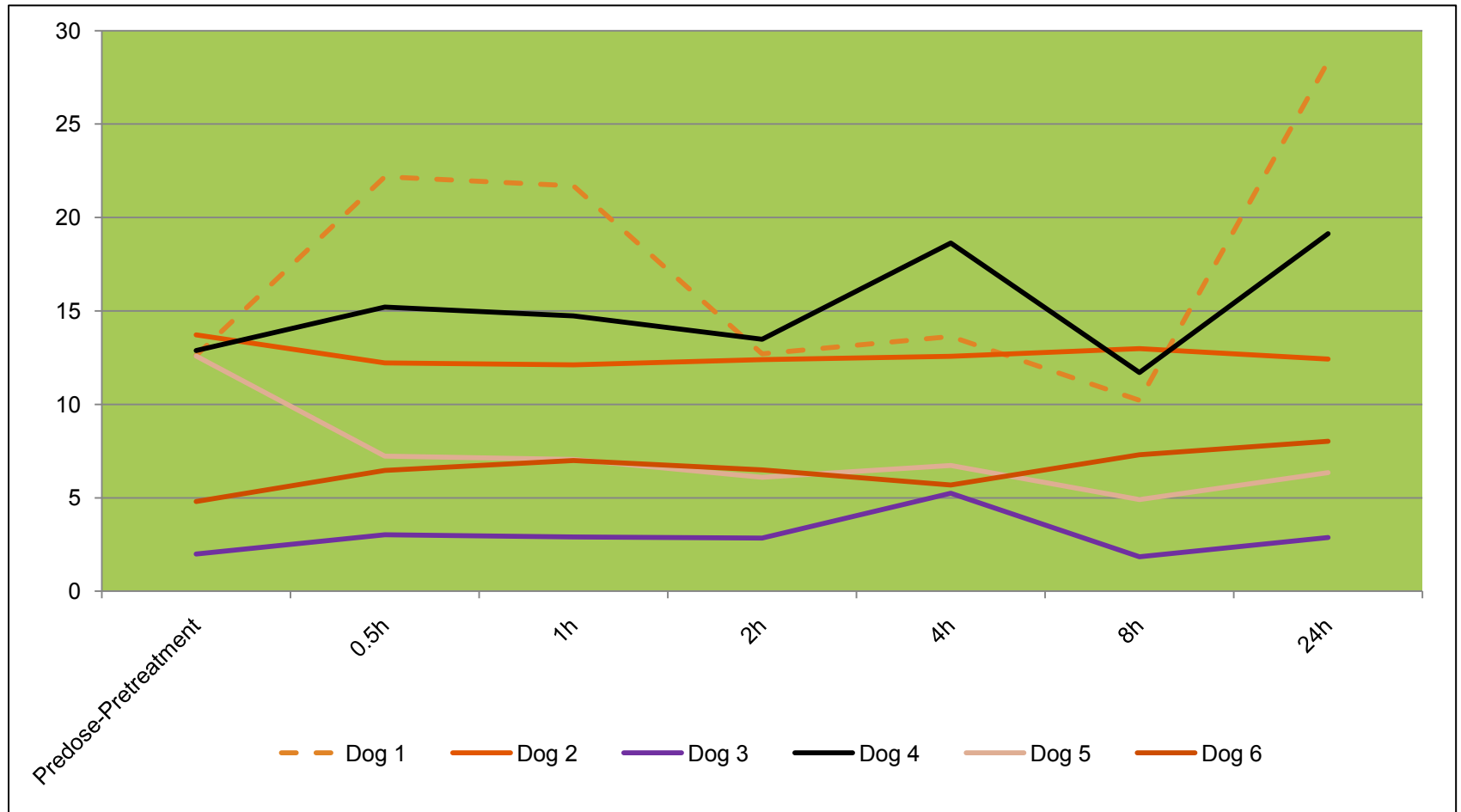
Data from female Beagles from a 1-month toxicity study

- This is **pretreatment data** from Day -15 prior to start of study!
- Limitations of using single time point

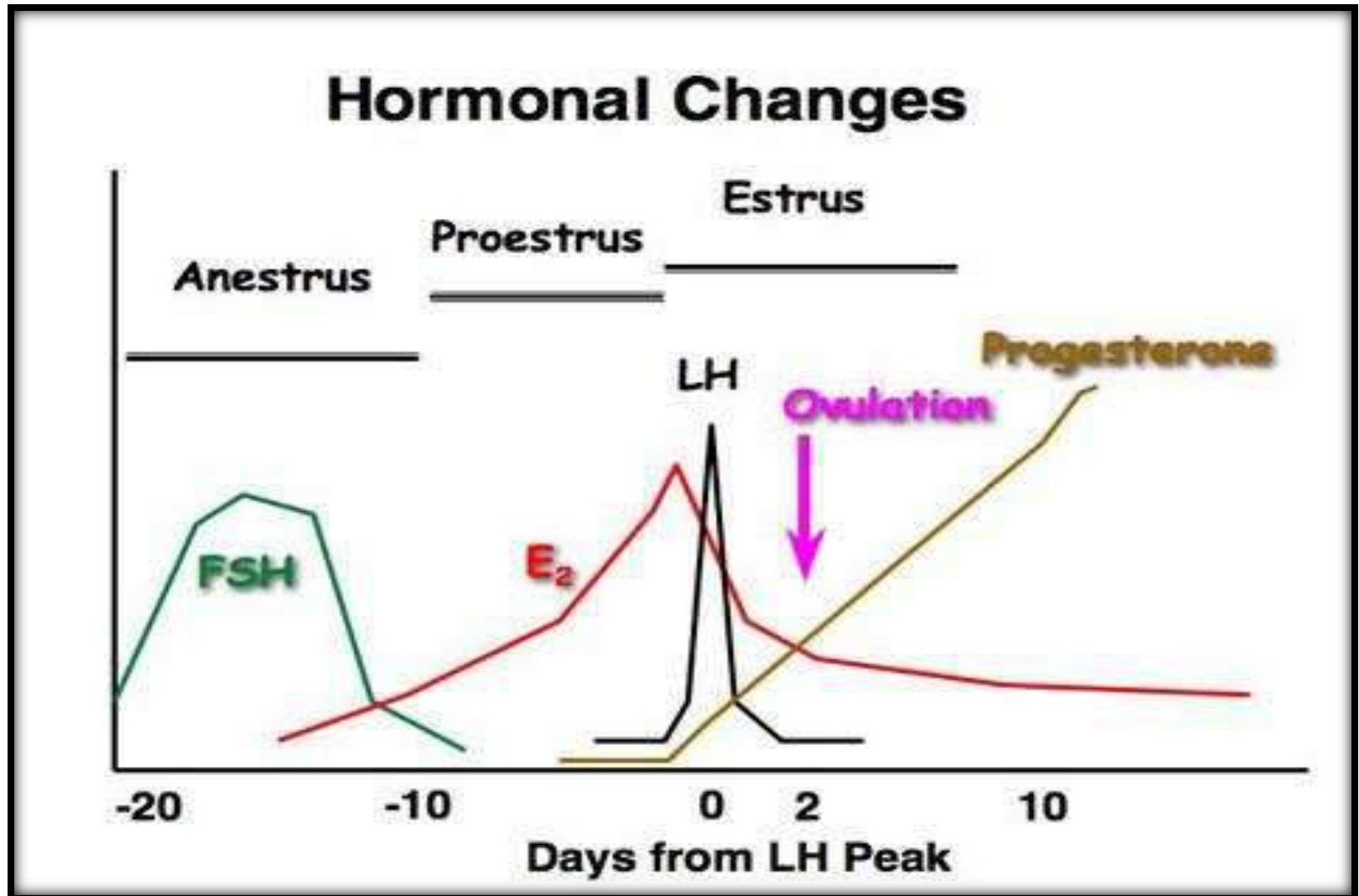
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Serum FSH levels in female “control” dogs – 24h profile

Range 1.84 – 28.34 (ng/mL) – Significant inter-animal variability



Canine Cycle



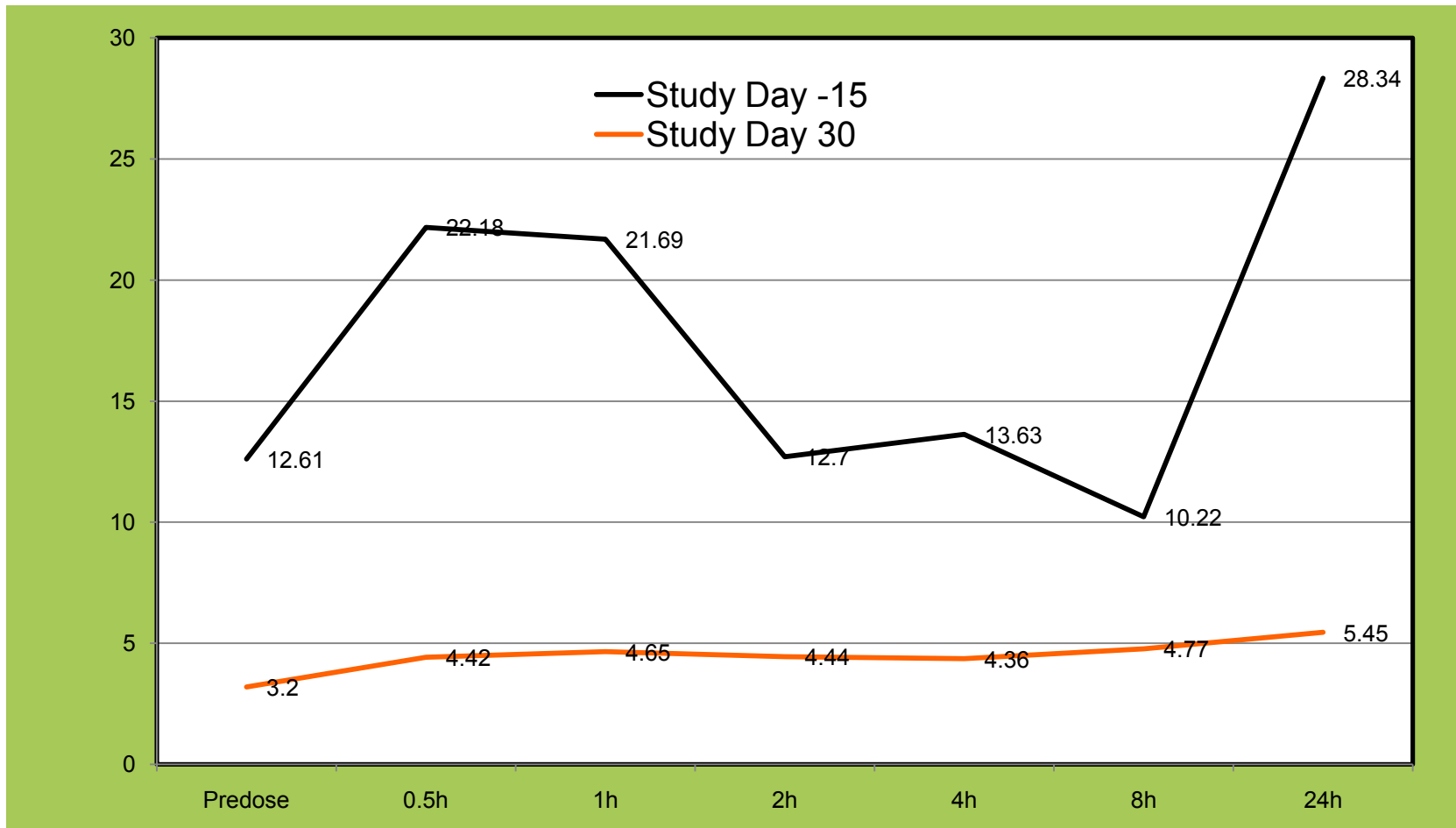
Serum FSH levels in a control Beagle dog (Dog No. 1)

Study Day -15 (Range 10.22-28.34 ng/mL)

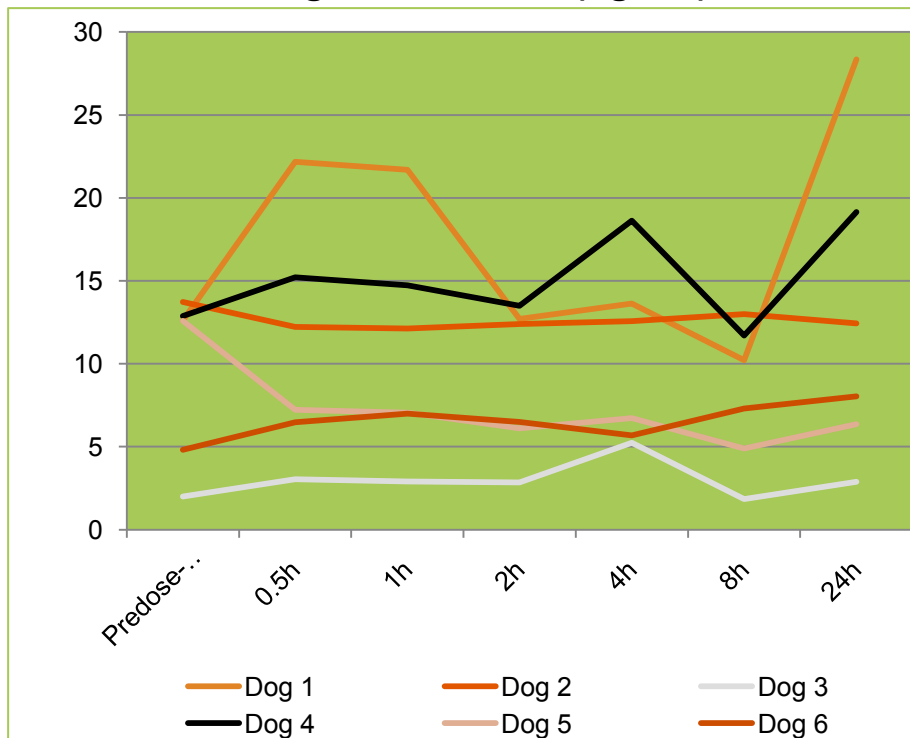
Study Day 30 (Range 3.20 – 5.45 ng/mL)

Important to correlate hormone levels with stage of estrous

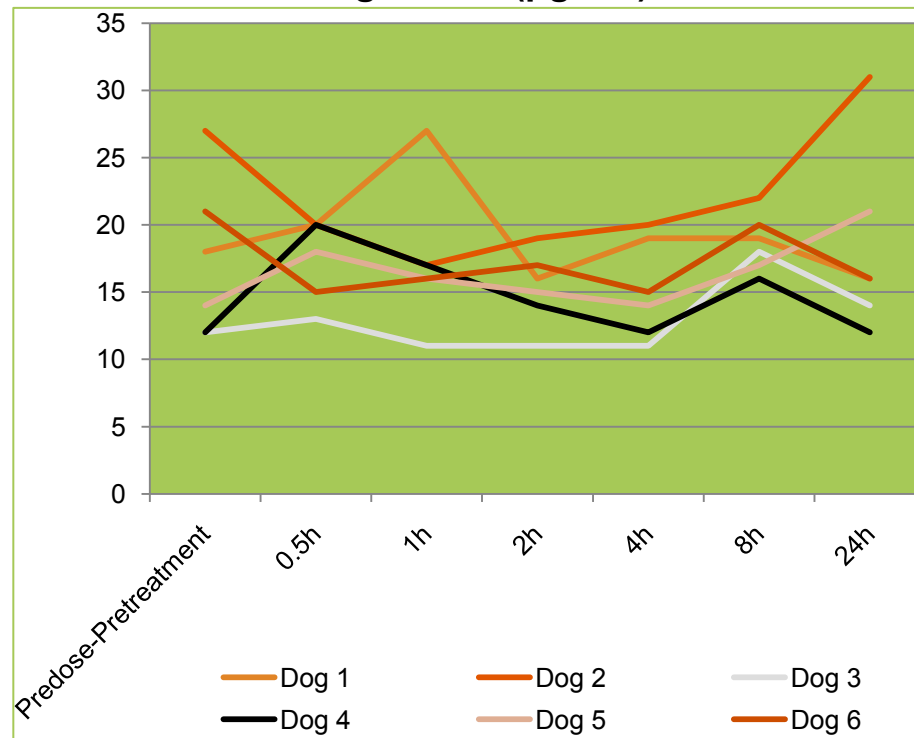
Pretreatment values are only useful if the stage of estrous is known



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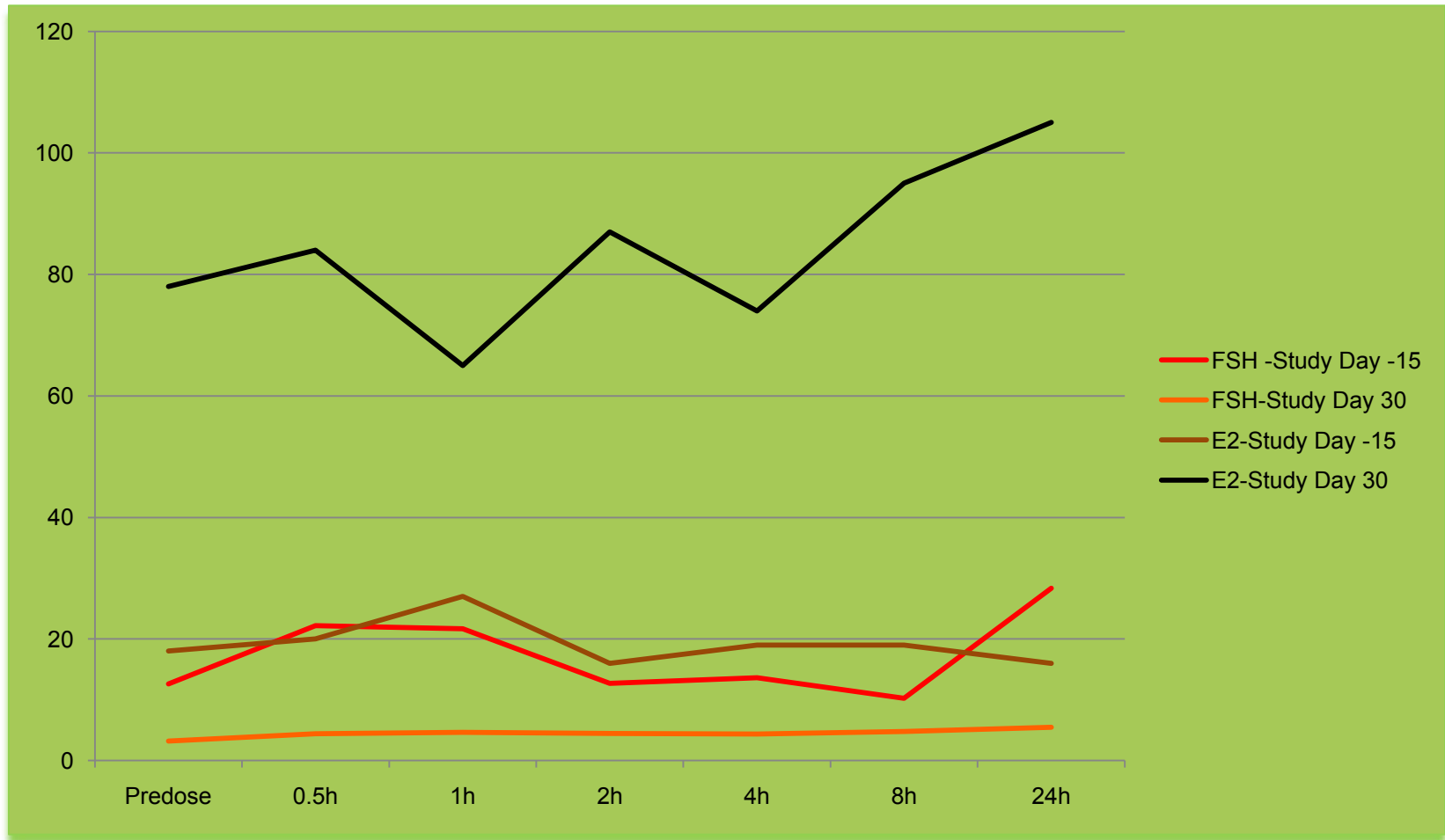


Serum 17-beta estradiol levels in female control dogs
 Range 11-31 (pg/mL)



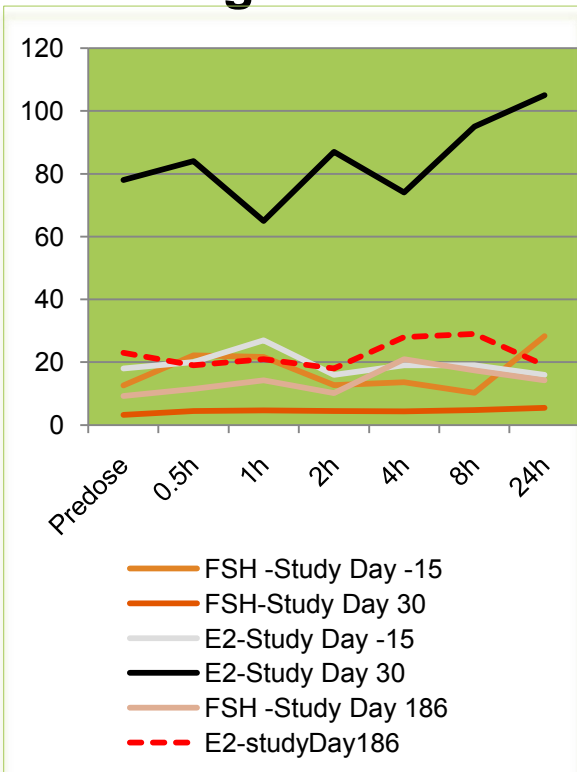
Serum FSH and estradiol levels in a control Beagle dog (Dog No. 1)

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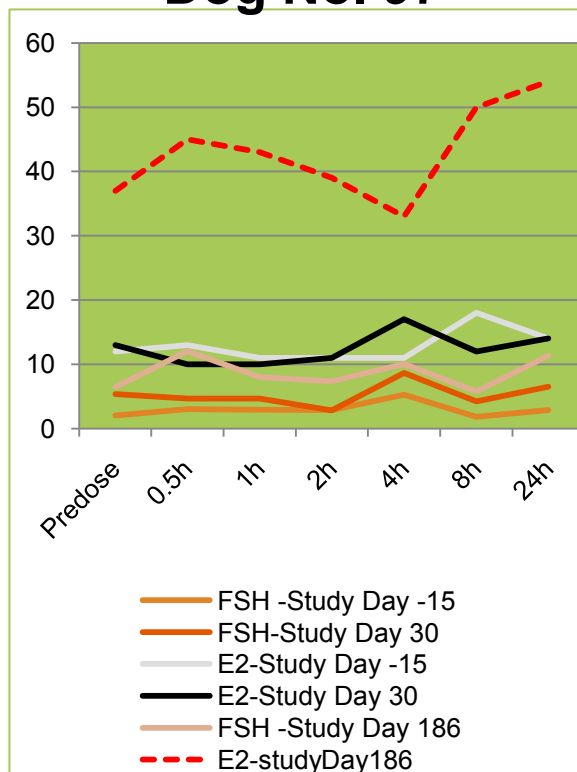


Relationship between organ weights and stage of estrous cycle.

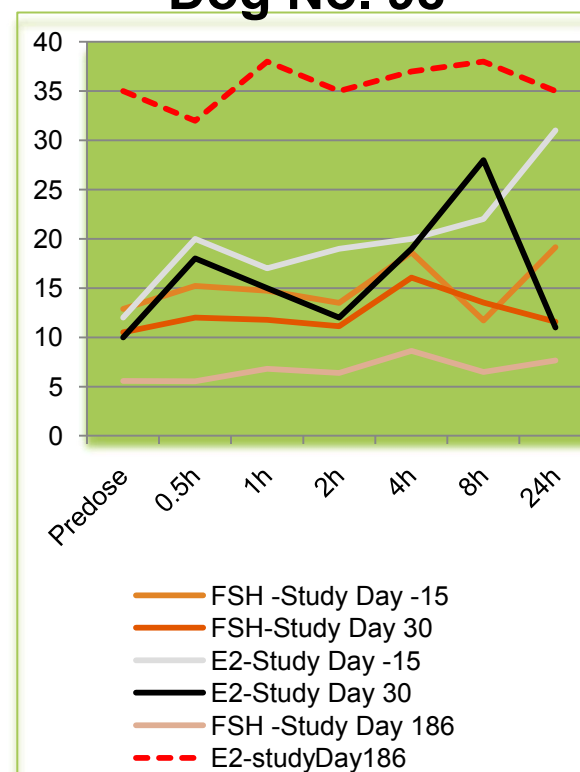
Dog No. 95



Dog No. 97



Dog No. 98



Organ weights
- Study Day
186

Dog No. 95

Dog No. 97

Dog No. 98

Ovary (g)

0.88

1.58

1.818

Uterus (g)

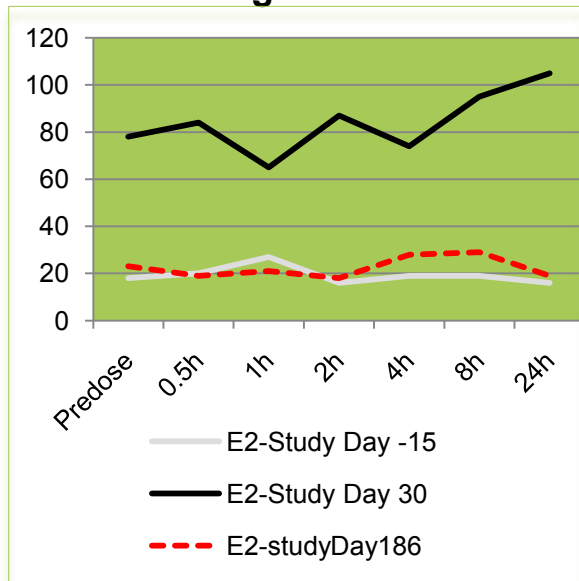
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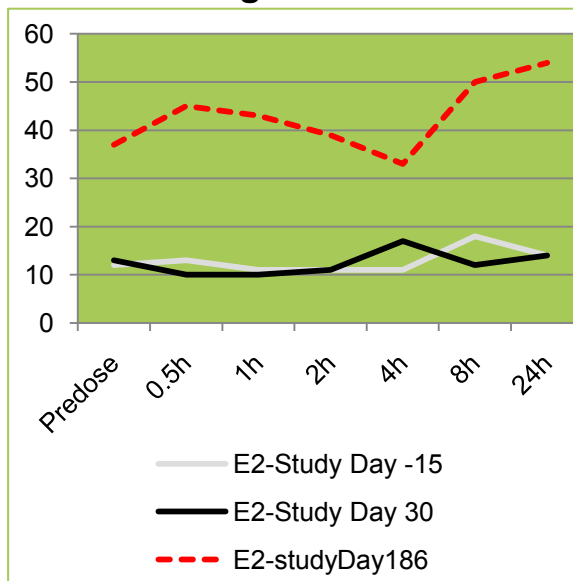
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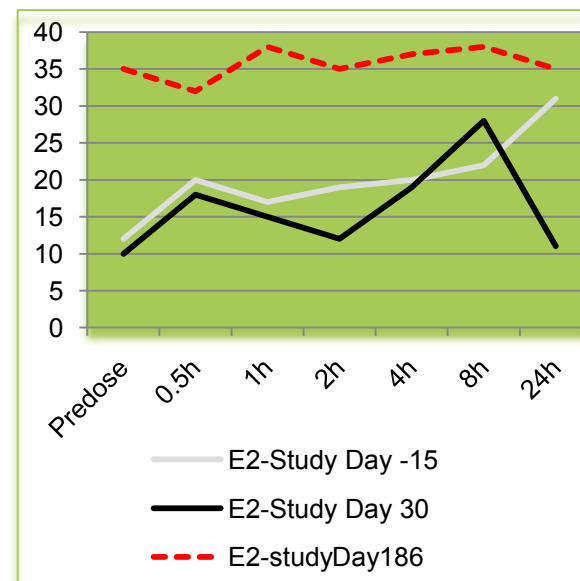
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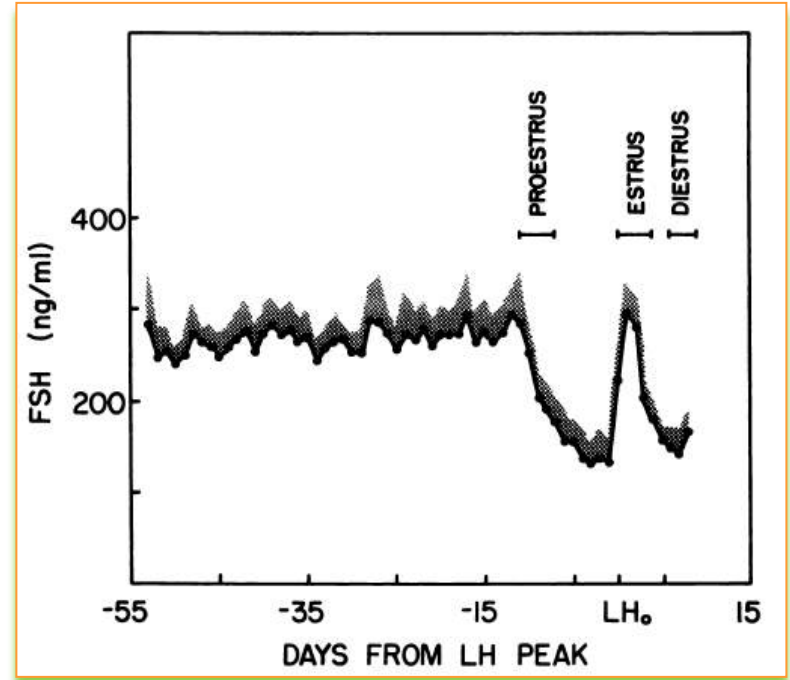
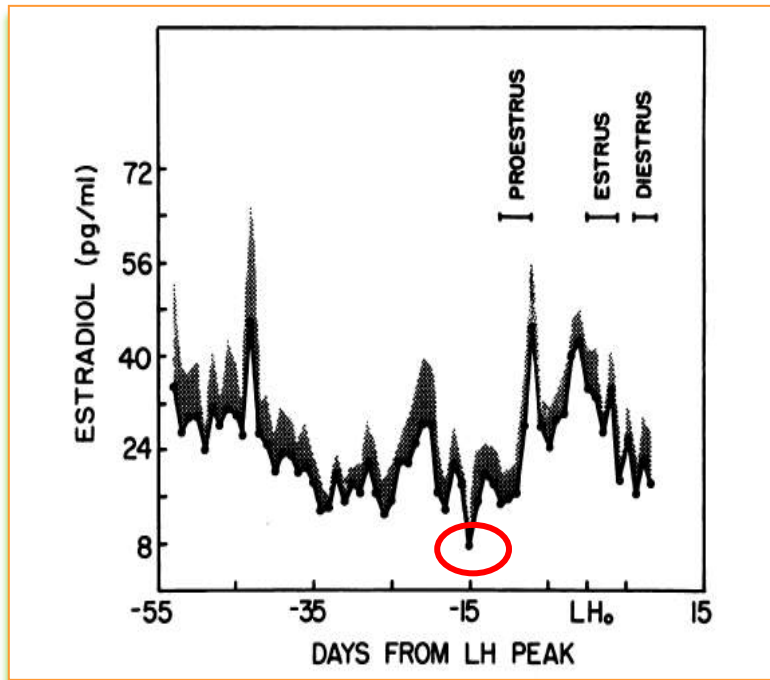
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| Organ weights - Study Day 186 | Dog No. 95 | Dog No. 97 | Dog No. 98 |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
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| Uterus (g) | 3.06 | 12.97 | 21.35 |

| Estradiol (AUC) | Dog No. 95 | Dog No. 97 | Dog No. 98 |
|-----------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Day -15 | 434 | 359 | 339 |
| Day 30 | 2253 | 315 | 466 |
| Day 186 | 584 | 1154 | 877 |

Estradiol and FSH



Lowest (7.9 pg.) E2 concentration is 15 days prior to LH peak reaching 44.8 pg. in proestrus.

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Concentrations of Reproductive Hormones in Canine Serum Throughout Late Anestrus, Proestrus and Estrus¹

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Histopathology vs. hormone data

- Histology is more likely to detect a change in reproductive function than hormone measurement (subject to diurnal, cyclical and stress induced changes).
- Always correlate stage of cycle for each animal.
 - Do the vagina, cervix, uterus, ovary and mammary gland correspond? Consider them as a unit.
- Understand and recognize normal histology.
- Morphological changes can be easier to identify.

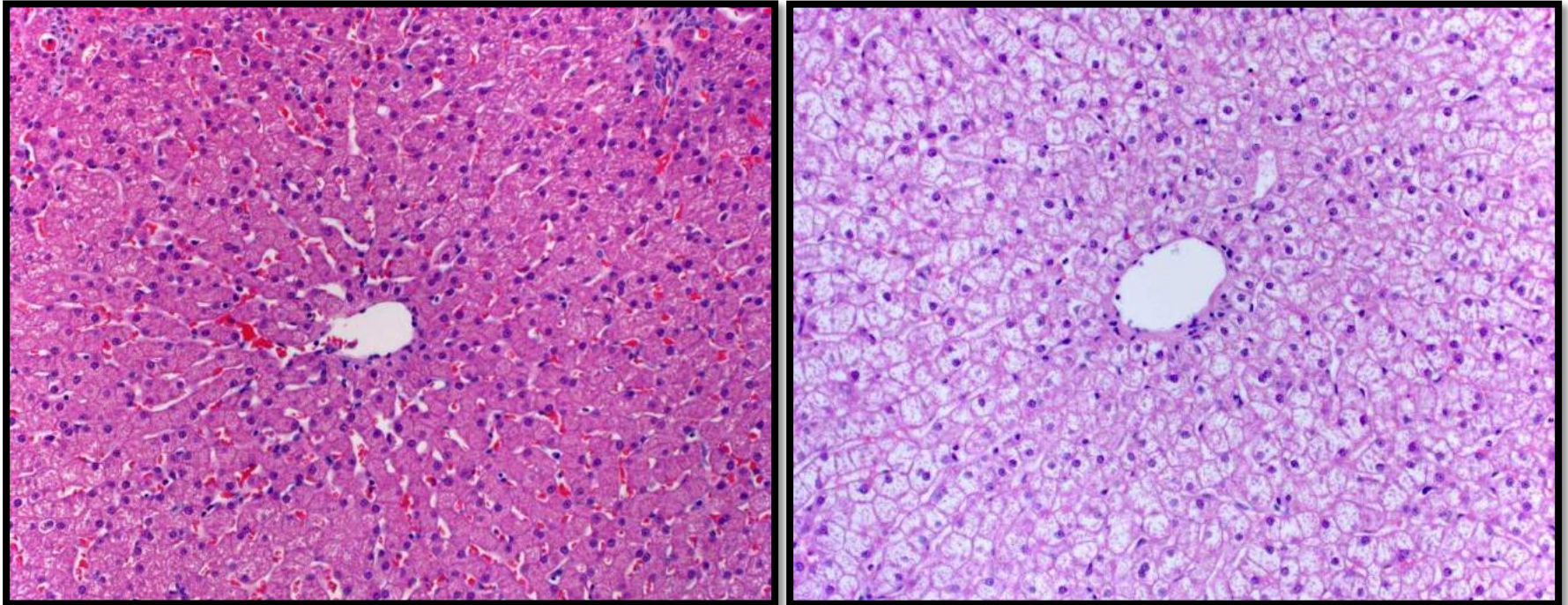
Points to consider

- Regardless of mechanism, chemically induced toxicity in the female reproductive tract generally causes hormonal imbalance
- The pattern of histopathological change in the ovaries, uterus and vagina reflects the disturbed hormonal profile and the tract needs to be examined as a unit
- Cyclicity, sampling consistency, immaturity are confounding factors for identifying changes.

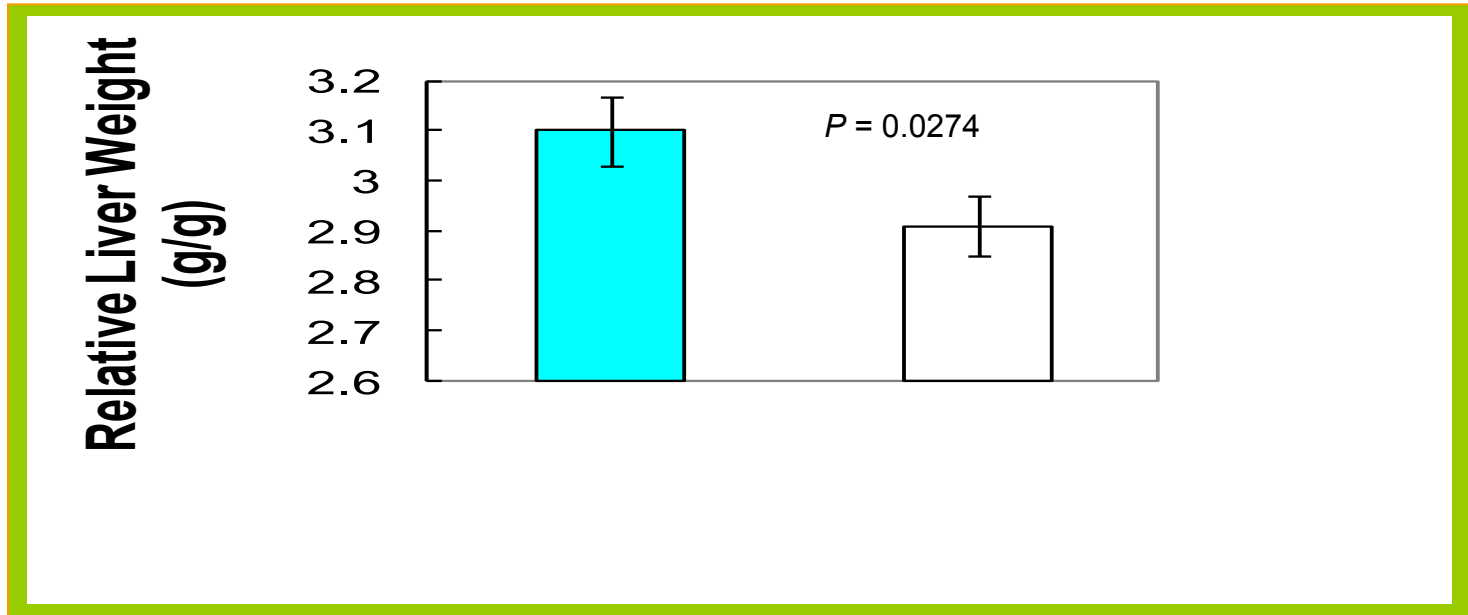
The female Beagle in diestrus

Control female dog livers from the same study

(euthanized, processed, sectioned, & stained identically!)

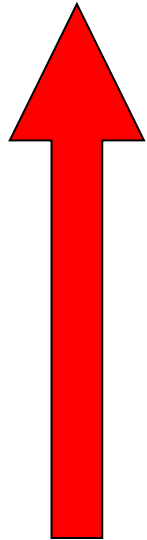


Liver weights



Relative liver weight (%) from control dogs in diestrus and in all other stages of the estrous cycle.

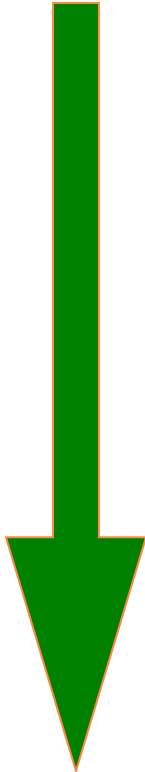
Dogs in diestrus vs. all other stages



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| Eosinophils (x10 ⁹ /L; 0.09-0.57) | 0.35 | 0.03 | 0.24 | 0.02 | 0.0035 (0.0532) | + 45.8% |

Chemistry and hematology parameters that are elevated in beagle dogs during diestrus. Means \pm SE's, and *P*-values for the significant differences of the means are shown. *P*-values after Hochberg multiplicity adjustment shown in parentheses. *Cholesterol was the only parameter outside the reference range for Beagle bitches.

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| Chloride (mmol/L; 109-116) | 111.2 | 0.3 | 112.2 | 0.3 | 0.0224 (0.3800) | - 0.9 % |
| Hemoglobin (g/L; 148-191) | 158.4 | 1.9 | 171.7 | 1.9 | <0.0001 (<0.0001) | - 7.8% |
| Hematocrit (%; 42-57) | 46.1 | 0.5 | 49.9 | 0.6 | <0.0001 (<0.0001) | - 7.6% |
| RBC (x10 ¹² /L; 6.17-8.28) | 6.78 | 0.07 | 7.35 | 0.08 | <0.0001 (<0.0001) | - 7.8% |

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Effect of Estrous Cycle Phase on Clinical Pathology Parameters in Beagle Dogs

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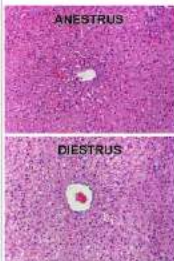
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Abstract

The duration of diestrus in dogs is considerably longer (about 75 days) than in most species and is characterized by high circulating progesterone and growth hormone levels that may influence clinical pathology parameters. The influence of the phase of the reproductive cycle on clinical pathology parameters has been reported in many species, but there is a relative paucity of information in the dog. Such differences may potentially confound interpretation of data in toxicity studies, which often have small group sizes. The objective of this retrospective study was to investigate differences in clinical pathology data in dogs in diestrus relative to dogs in other phases of the estrous cycle. For 86 healthy control females from 23 toxicity studies (age range: 11–22.5 months), estrous cycle stage was determined by histological examination of reproductive tissues. Serum chemistry, hematology, and urinalysis parameters were compared using two-tailed t-tests. For Beagles in diestrus (n = 38), serum cholesterol was 35.0% higher (P < 0.0001), AST was 14.0% lower (P = 0.0011), chloride was 0.9% lower (P = 0.0224), eosinophils were 45.8% higher (P = 0.0035), hemoglobin and red blood cell count were 7.8% lower (P < 0.0001), and hematocrit was 7.6% lower (P < 0.0001) than dogs in all other stages combined (anestrus, proestrus, estrus, and immature; n = 48). Urine parameters did not differ significantly between the two groups. Interpretation of clinical pathology data in female dogs should be performed with due consideration given to the stage of the estrous cycle.

Introduction



• Toxicity studies typically contain small numbers of dogs (3–5 per group), each of which may differ in the stage of the estrous cycle.

• We have observed that livers from control (non-drug-treated) Beagle dogs during diestrus (luteal, or post-ovulatory phase) have a rarefied appearance (left, lower) compared to livers from control dogs in anestrus (left, top). The changes are similar to the vacuolar change and hepatocyte swelling seen with glycogen accumulation from steroid hepatopathy in dogs.

• Diestrus is unique in the dog because serum progesterone (P4) levels peak and remain elevated, whether the bitch is pregnant or not, for ~75 days.

• During diestrus, mammary glands produce growth hormone and pseudopregnancy occurs ± mammary gland secretory activity and ± nesting behavior.

- **OBJECTIVE:** The objective of this retrospective study was to investigate differences in clinical pathology data (chemistry, hematology, and urinalysis) and liver weight in purpose-bred Beagle dogs in diestrus relative to dogs in other phases of the estrous cycle.
- **SIGNIFICANCE:** Differences in clinical pathology parameters, in addition to liver changes, in dogs in different stages of the estrous cycle may be important for interpretation of drug or toxicity studies.

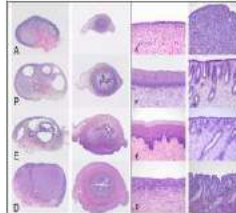
Methods

Study animals: Retrospective study using non-drug-treated control dogs (3–5 per study) from 23 toxicity studies (2002–2008). Studies were conducted in accordance with current guidelines for animal welfare and internal IACUC guidelines.

Samples: At the end of the study (2 or 4 weeks duration), urine and blood were collected for measurement of routine clinical chemistry (Olympus AU540c; Melville, NY, USA) profile and hematology (Advia 2120, Siemens, Norwood, MA, USA). Age range: 11–22.5 months (average 14.38 months). Weight range: 5.05–10.13 kg (average 6.87 kg).

Statistical analyses: There were no significant differences in parameters among anestrus, immature, proestrus, and estrus, so these were combined. Means for dogs in diestrus vs. all other stages were compared using two-tailed t-tests (Proc T-TEST) corrected for multiple comparisons using SAS v. 9.1 (Cary, NC, USA). P-values both with and without Hochberg multiplicity adjustment are shown.

Methods



Stage of estrous cycle was determined by histological examination of H&E-stained sections of ovaries, uterine horns, vagina, cervix, and mammary tissue (Chandra & Adler 2008) for 86 control dogs from 23 studies. Each study included ≥ 1 female in the control group in diestrus at necropsy. 38 dogs were classified as being in diestrus. 48 dogs were classified as all other stages other than diestrus (34 in anestrus, 7 were immature, 4 in estrus, and 3 in proestrus).

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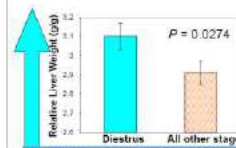
Cholesterol

- Cholesterol peaks at 5–7 weeks after estrus (therefore during diestrus) in Beagle bitches (Tarumi et al. 1988).
- Increased cholesterol may be directly related to P4, as both peak during diestrus.

Eosinophils

- Eosinophils migrate into the submucosa of the GI tract, mammary gland, thymus, and uterus (Rothenberg and Hogan 2005).
- In tissues, eosinophils express growth factors (TGFα, TGFβ, and EGF).
- During estrus, eosinophils infiltrate uterine tissue and reach peak numbers in uterus (humans, rats, mice). During diestrus, eosinophils degranulate & ↓ in numbers in the uterus.
- Eosinophilia is a feature of hypoadrenocorticism/hypoadosteronism.
- Perhaps the increased peripheral blood eosinophils during diestrus is related to continued production and/or prolonged survival in blood but lack of migration into tissues, or due to P4 interference with aldosterone.

Results: INCREASED during DIASTRUS



Relative liver weight (liver weight/body weight) from dogs in diestrus and in all other stages of the estrous cycle.

Relative liver weight increased during diestrus in beagle dogs.

- OVX'd Beagles given the progestin medroxyprogesterone acetate develop steroid-induced hepatopathy with large, glycogen-rich hepatocytes (Selman et al. 1995).
- Estrogen &/or P4 may be binding to glucocorticoid receptors in the liver or interacting with glucocorticoids to ↑ liver glycogen deposition and therefore ↑ liver mass.

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Chloride

- Progesterone (P4) is known to have anti-aldosterone effects in humans and rats
- P4 is a competitive inhibitor of aldosterone receptor → Less K⁺ secretion → Less reabsorption of Na⁺ & Cl⁻.
- Women also have been shown to have ↓ serum Na⁺ & Cl⁻ mid-luteal phase compared to the mid-follicular phase (Chapman et al. 1997).

Red blood cell parameters

- In a study of several breeds of dogs, hematocrit ↓ from 46% at pro-estrus to:
 - 40% at day 60 of diestrus in non-pregnant dogs, or to
 - 35% at day 60 in pregnant dogs (Gönzel-Apel et al. 1997).
- Perhaps this is due to increased plasma volume, as dogs are pseudopregnant during diestrus.

Summary and Conclusion

Compared to dogs in all other estrous cycle stages, dogs in diestrus had:

- No difference in urinary clinical pathology parameters (data not shown)

INCREASED:

- 35% ↑ serum cholesterol
- 46% ↑ blood eosinophils
- 7% ↑ relative liver weight

DECREASED:

- 14% ↓ AST
- 1% ↓ chloride
- 8% ↓ red blood cell parameters

Stage of estrous cycle should be considered during toxicity studies using dogs, especially for hormonally or metabolically active compounds or compounds affecting glycogen modulation, cholesterol, eosinophils, or red blood cells.

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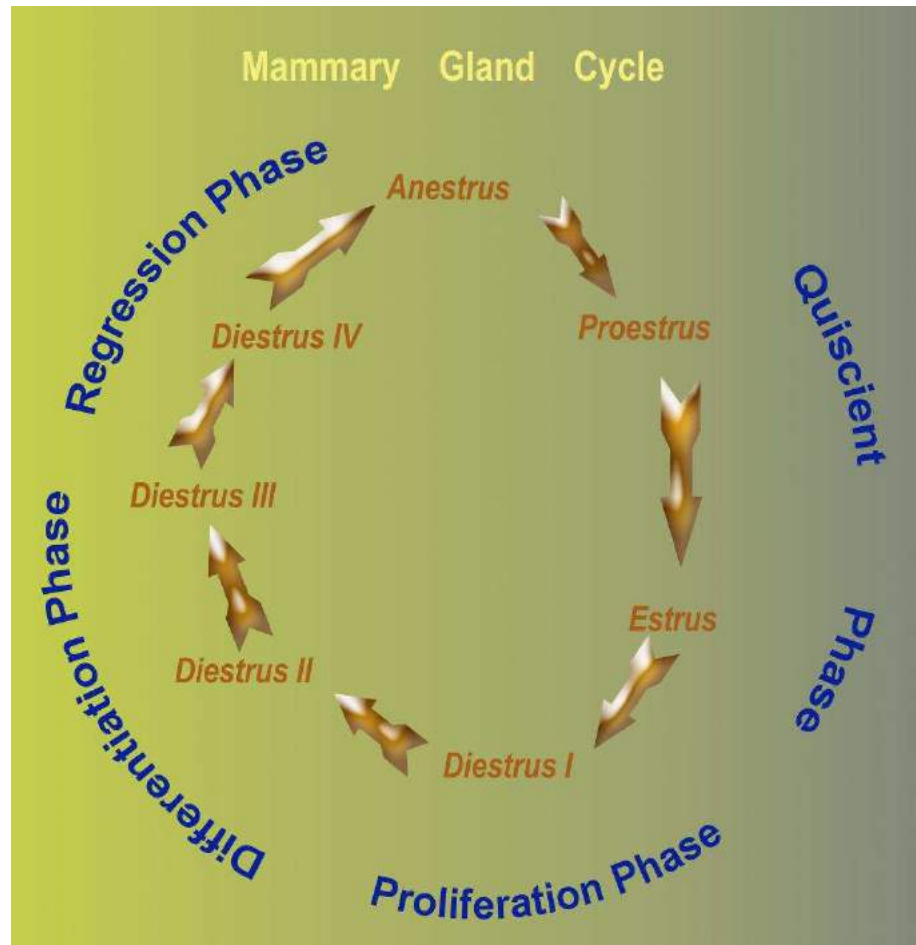
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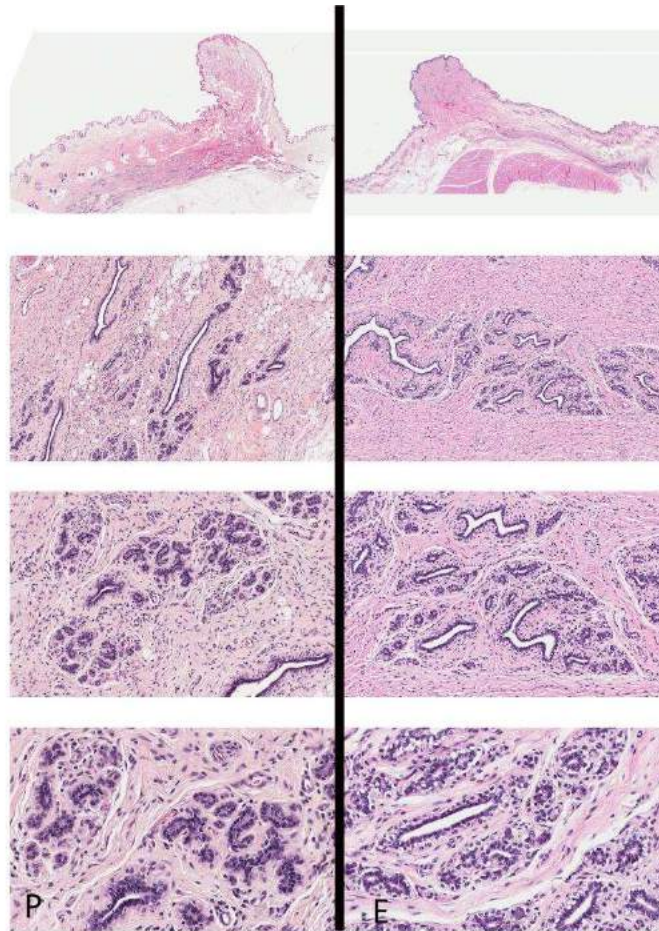
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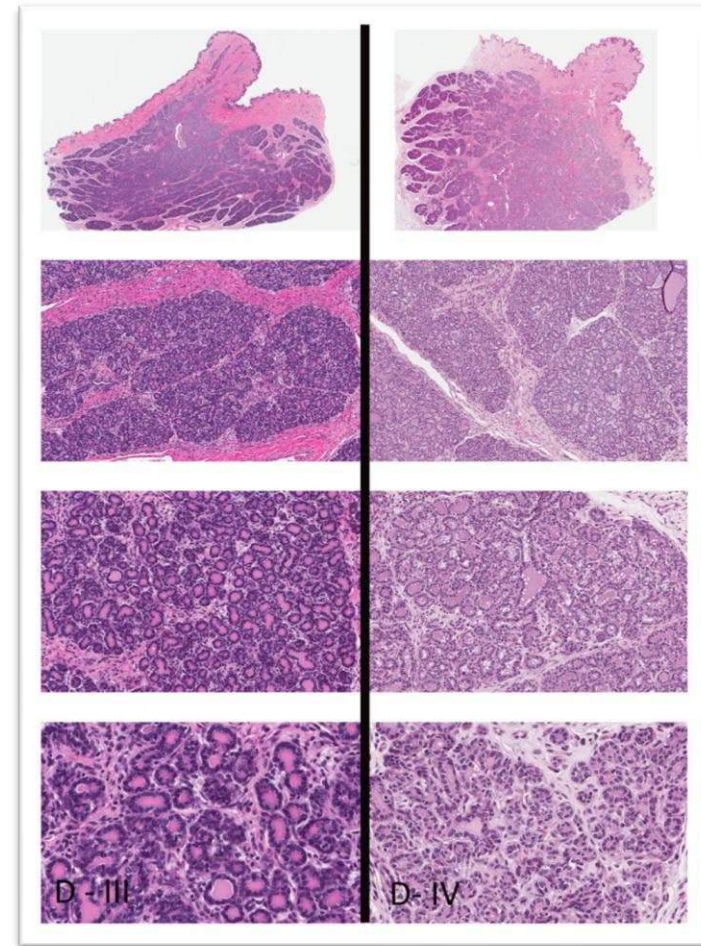
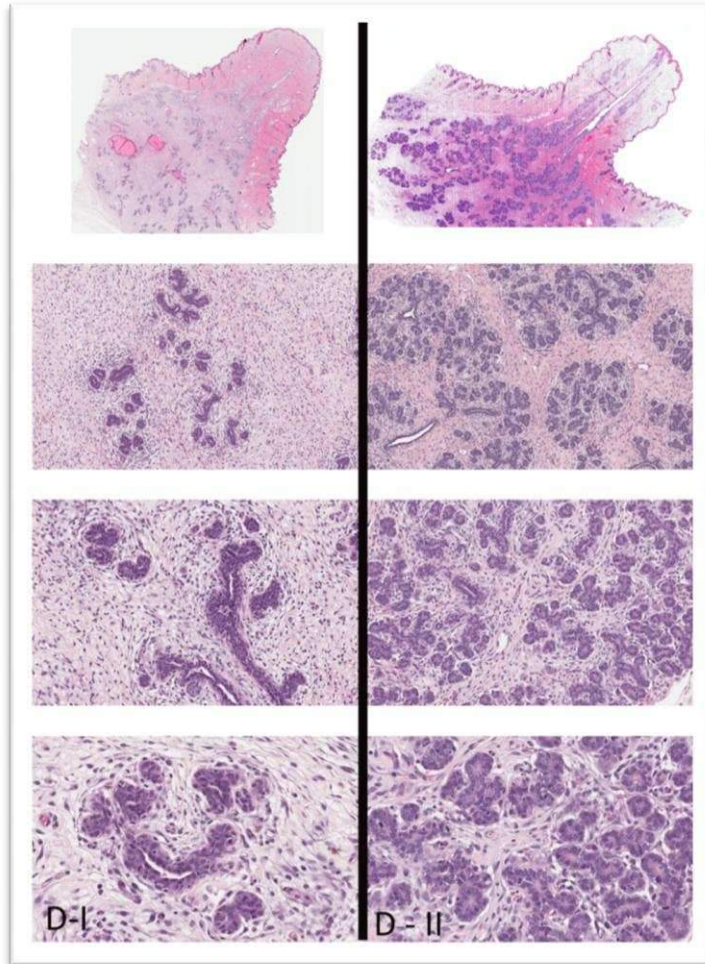
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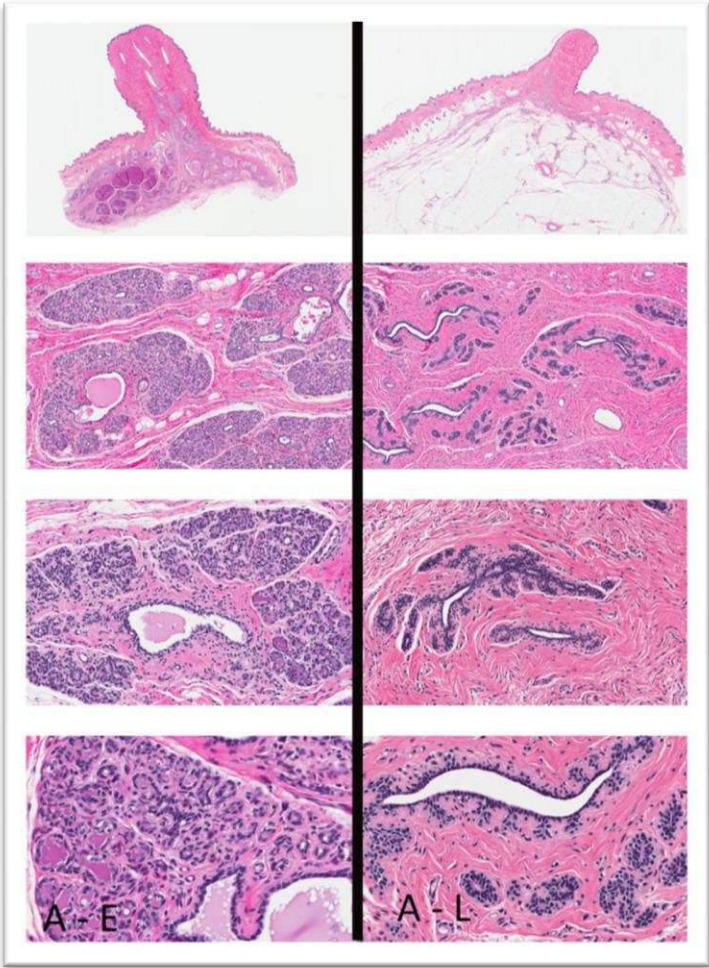
Mammary gland in Proestrus and Estrus



Mammary gland in Diestrus (I-IV)



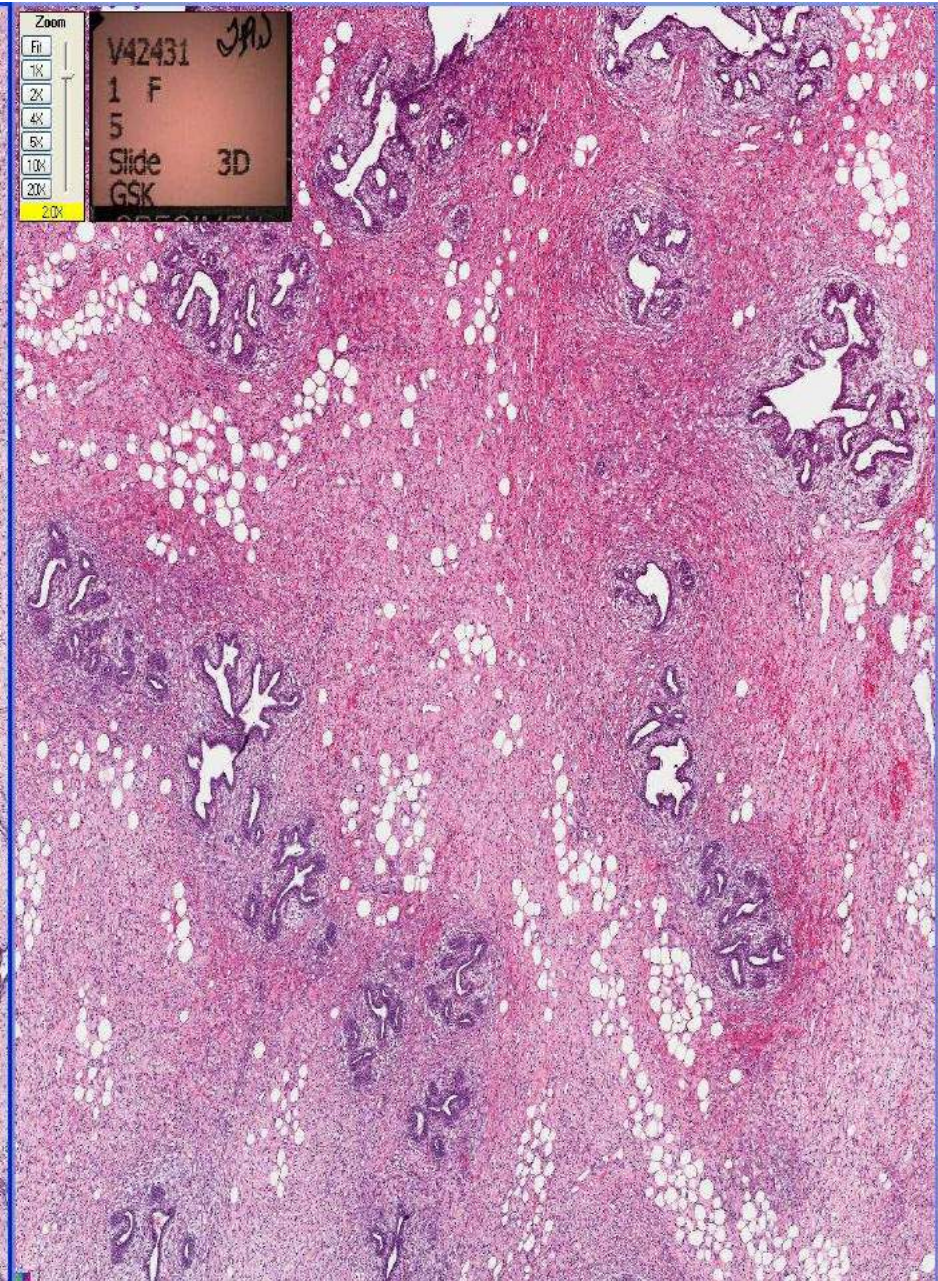
Mammary gland in Anestrus (early and late)



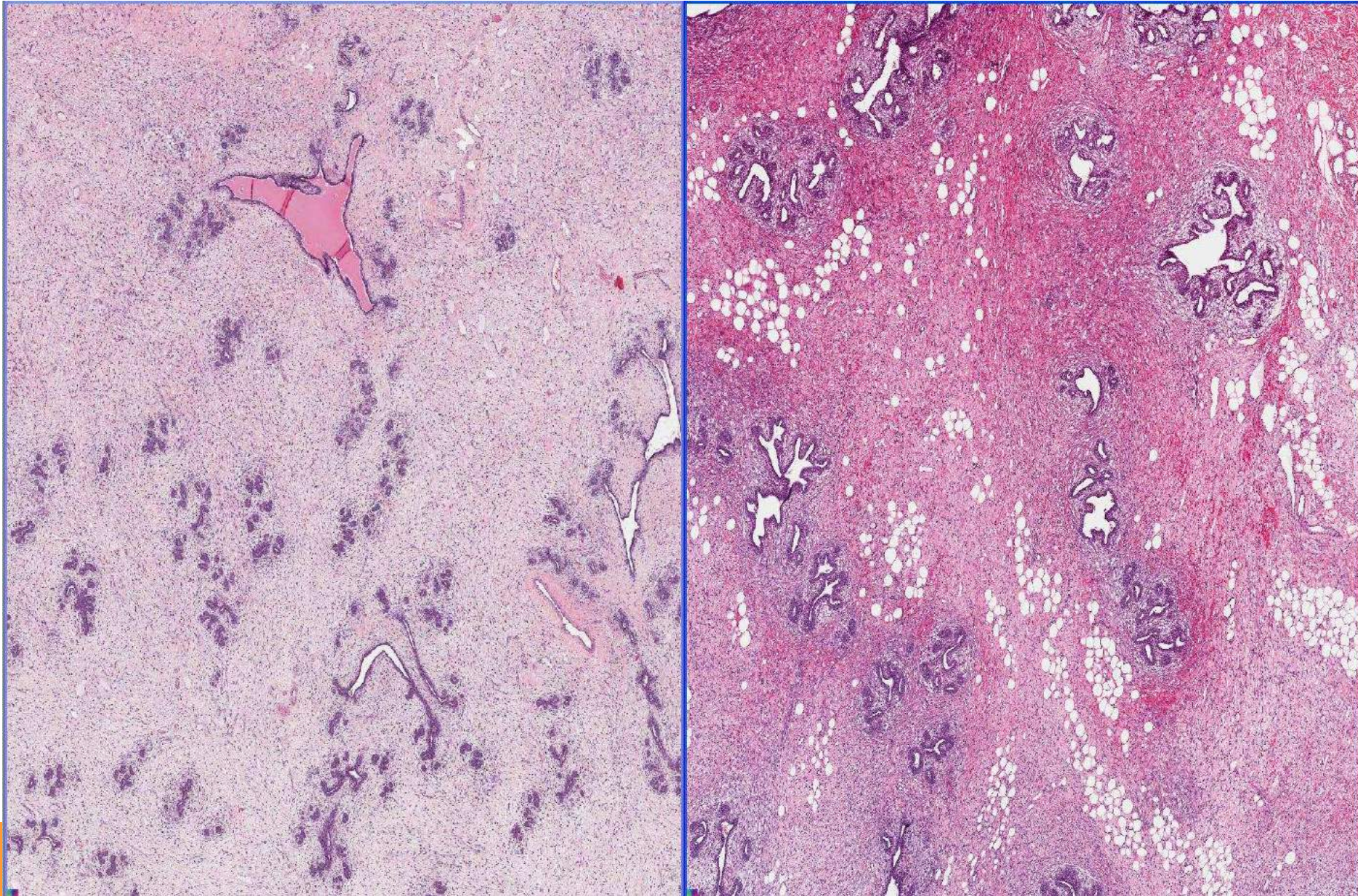
Mammary Gland

- Comparison of glandular changes noted in Diestrus I with that noted in the glands of dogs entering the first estrus cycle
- Morphologically very similar

Diestrus I vs. First Estrus



Diestrus I vs. First Estrus





Sexual dimorphism of the mammary gland in rats

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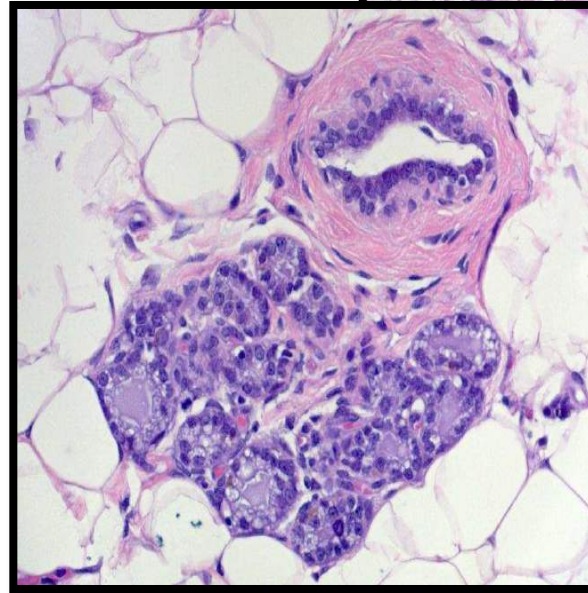
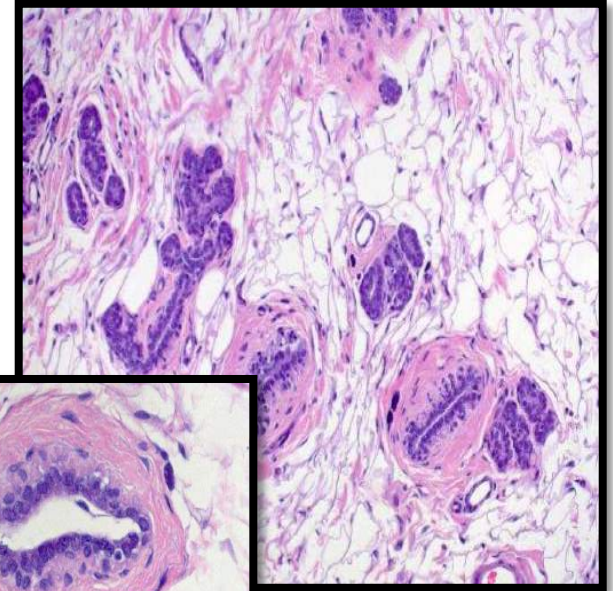
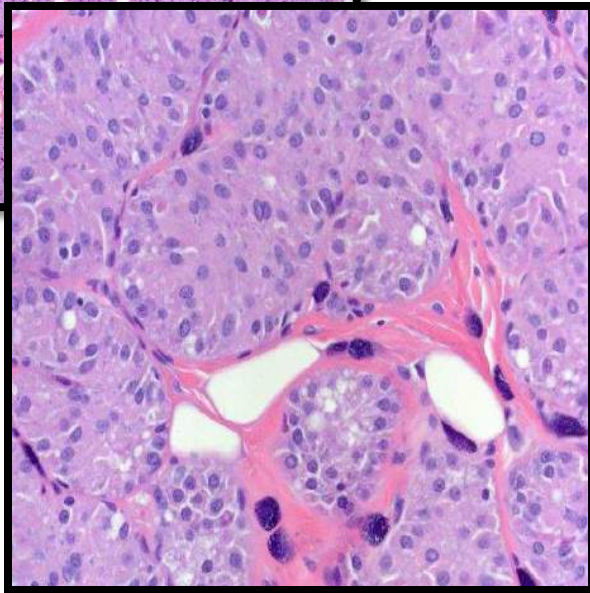
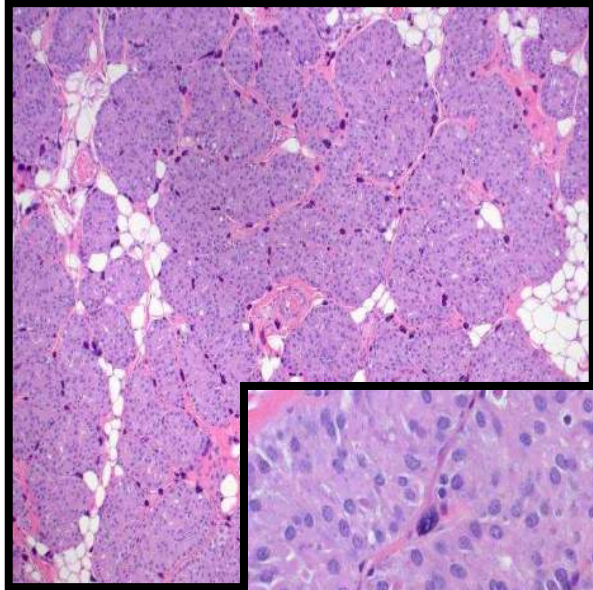
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TABLE 1.—Morphologic differences in mammary glands from sexually mature rats.

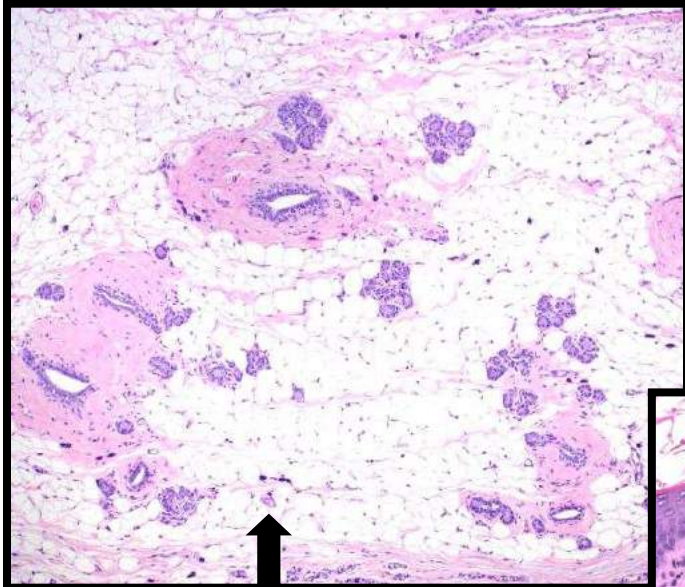
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|----------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| Overall structure | Lobuloalveolar | Tubuloalveolar |
| Duct | | |
| Number | Low | High |
| Epithelium | Pseudostratified or stratified cuboidal or short columnar | Simple cuboidal |
| Epithelial cytoplasm | Abundant, eosinophilic, vacuolated | Scant, basophilic, nonvacuolated |
| Epithelial apoptosis | Frequent | Rare |
| Luminal space | Not usually evident | Prominent |
| Alveolus | | |
| Number | High, contiguous lobules | Low, centered on ductules |
| Epithelium | Pseudostratified or stratified cuboidal or short columnar | Simple cuboidal |
| Epithelial cytoplasm | Abundant, eosinophilic, vacuolated | Scant, basophilic, nonvacuolated |
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Normal male vs. Normal female

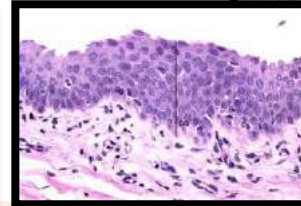
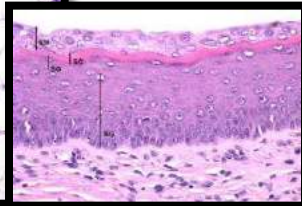
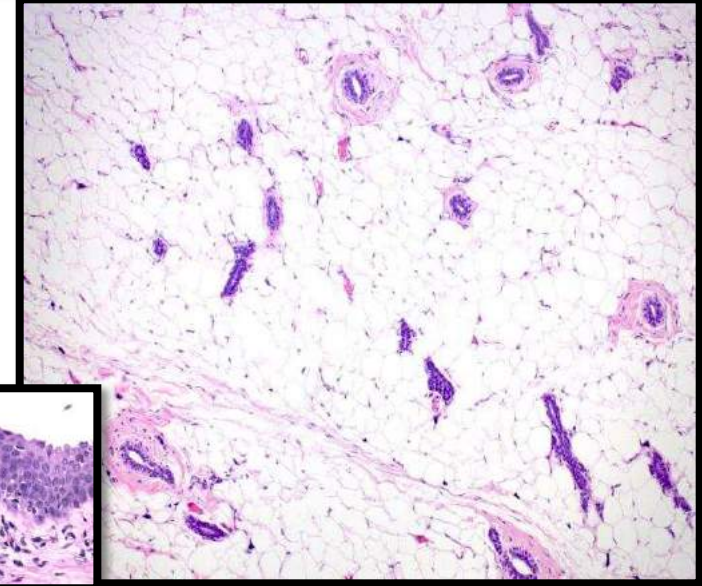
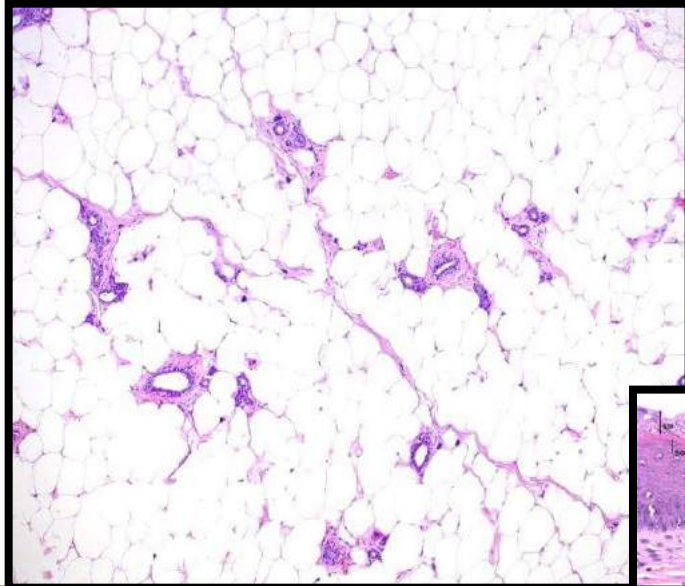
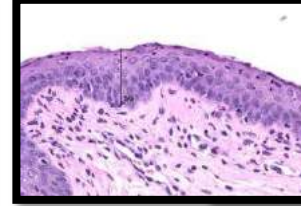
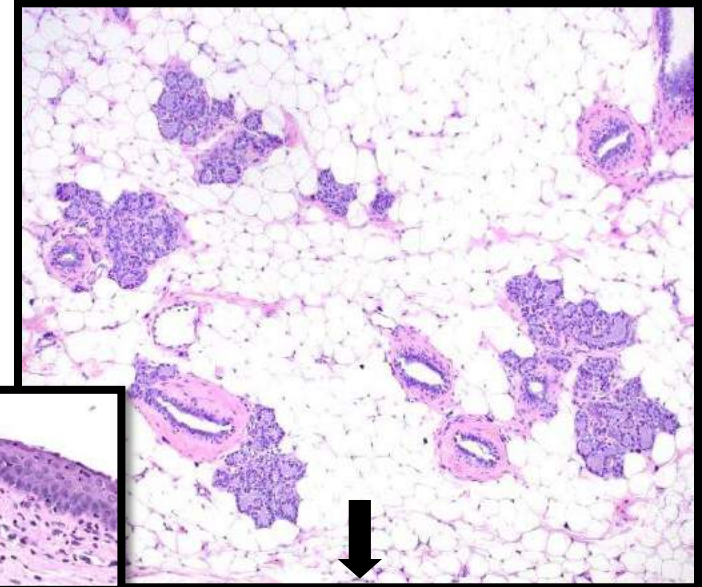


- Male - mostly lobules of alveoli.
- Female - predominance of ducts and few alveoli.

Estrus

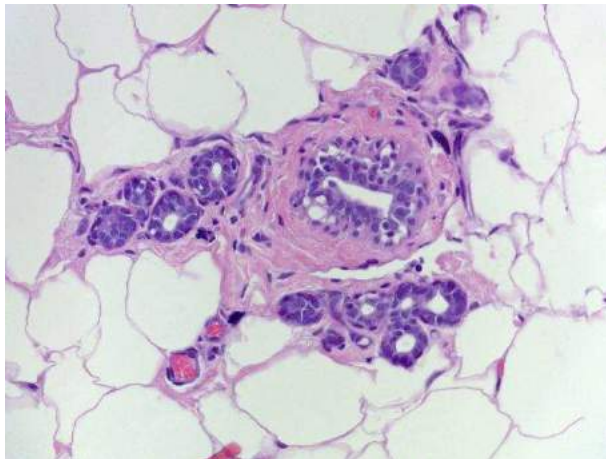
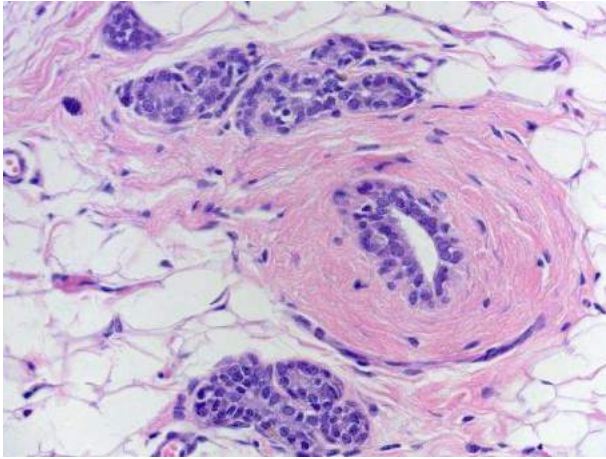


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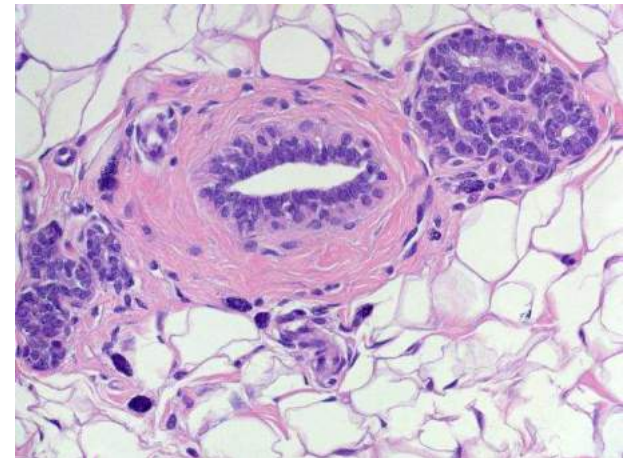
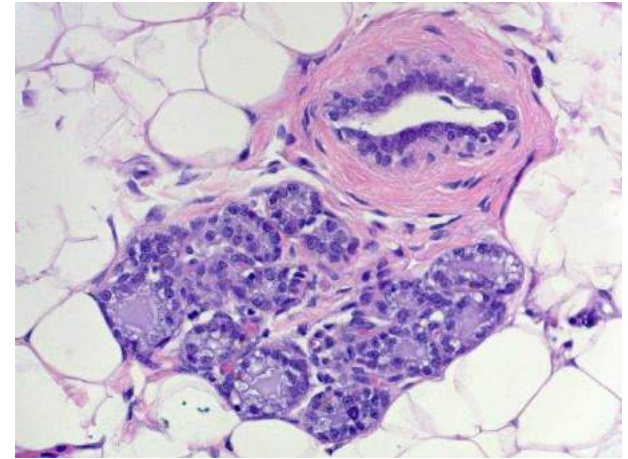
Proestrus

Estrus



Proestrus

Metestrus

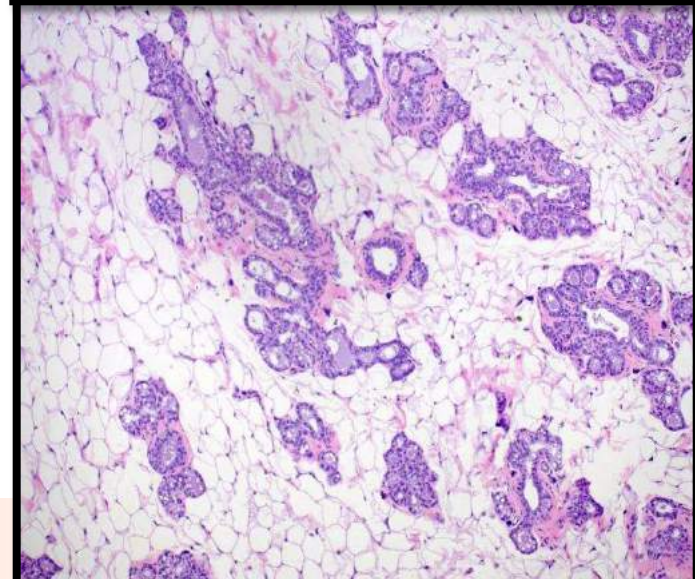
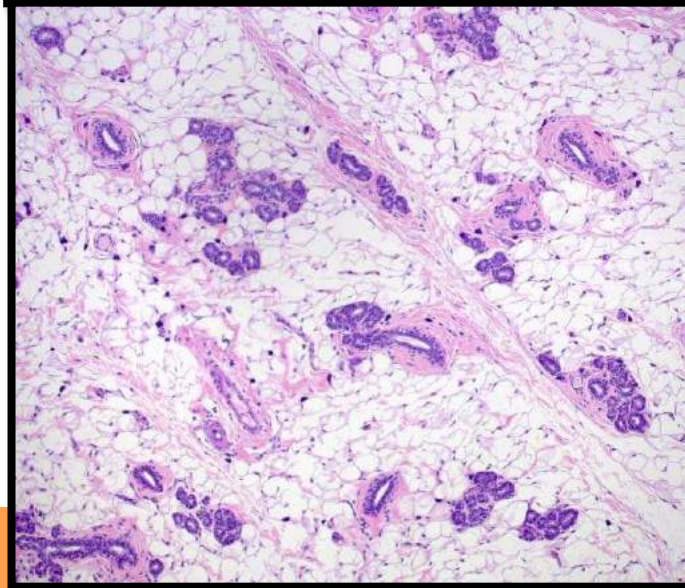
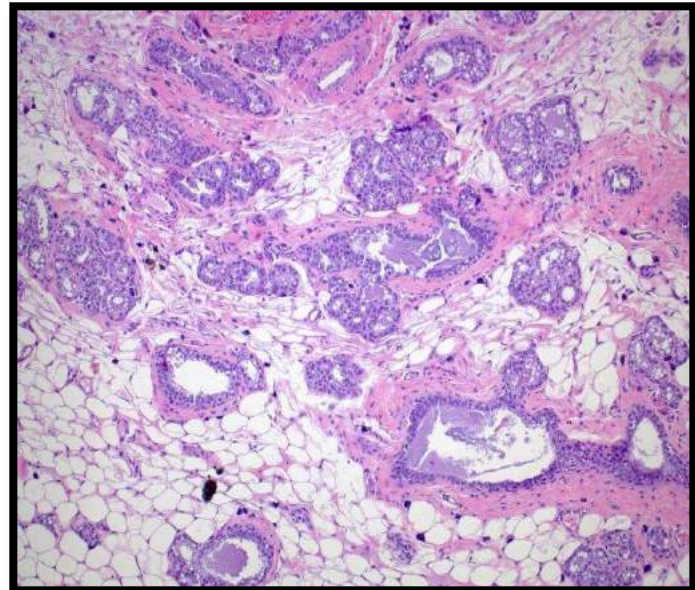
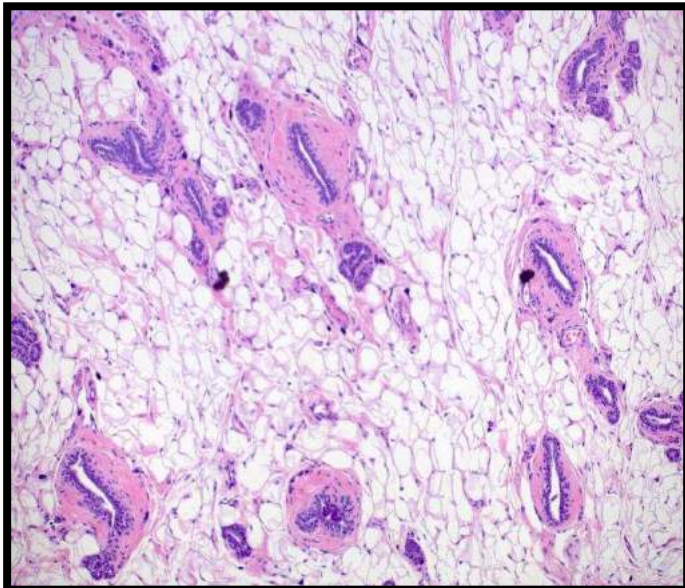


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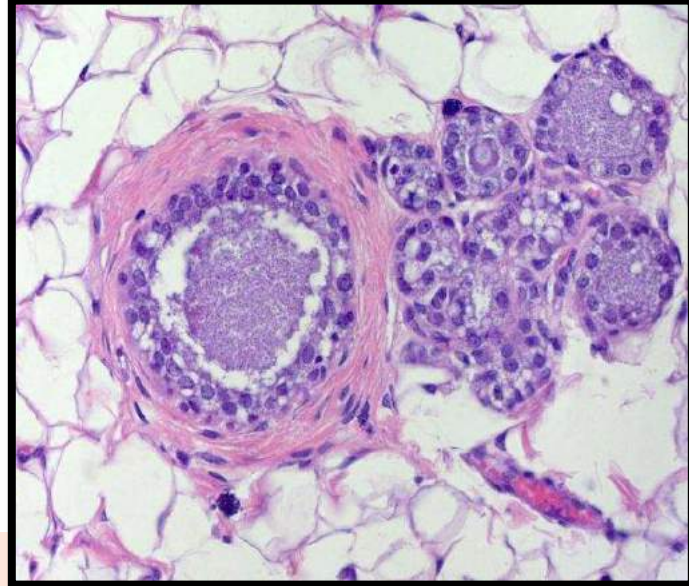
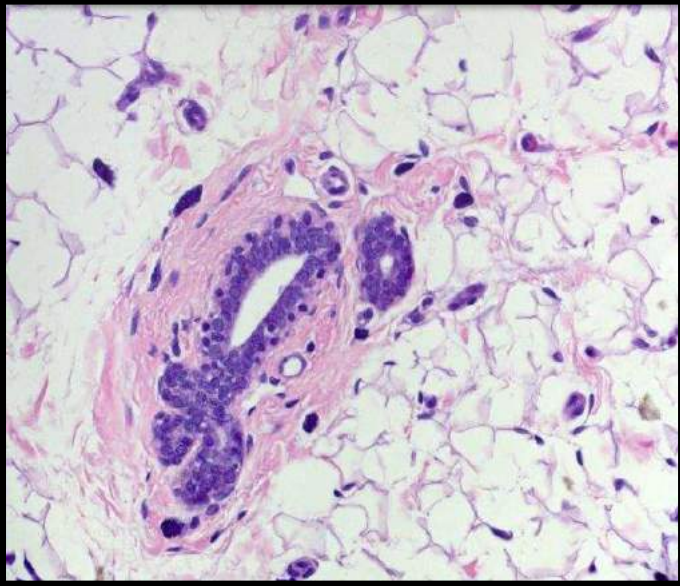
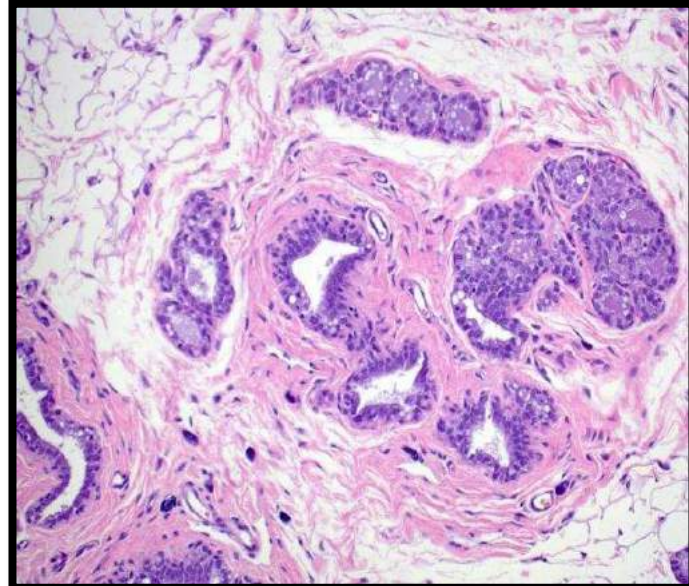
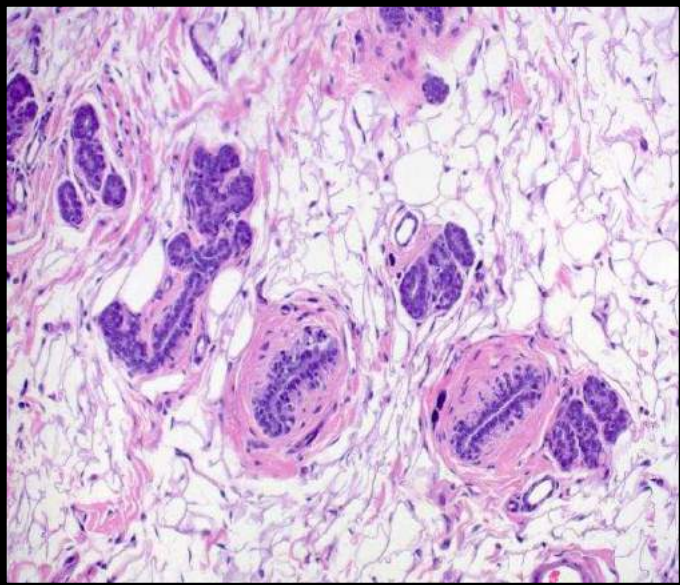


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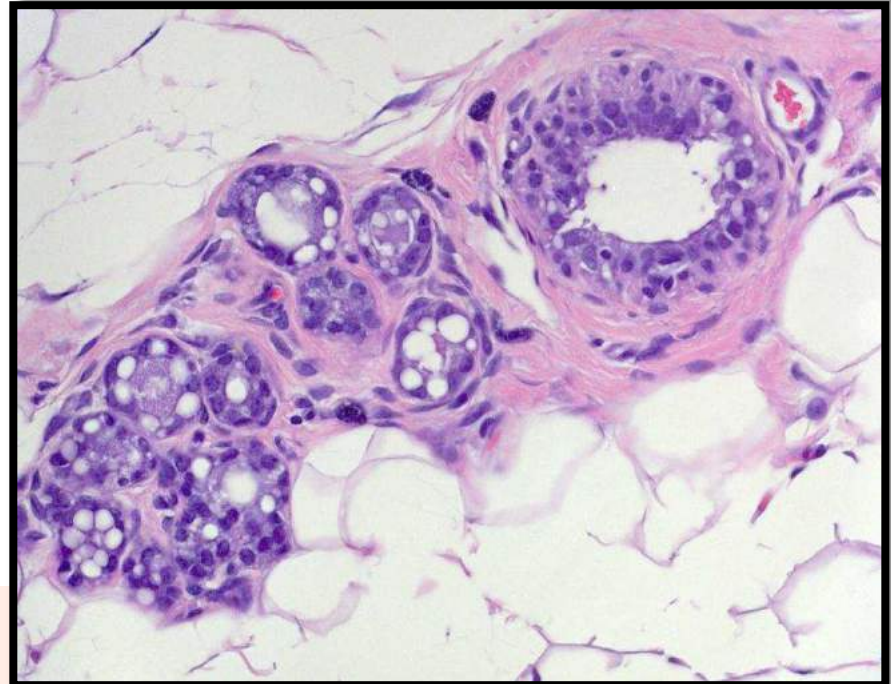
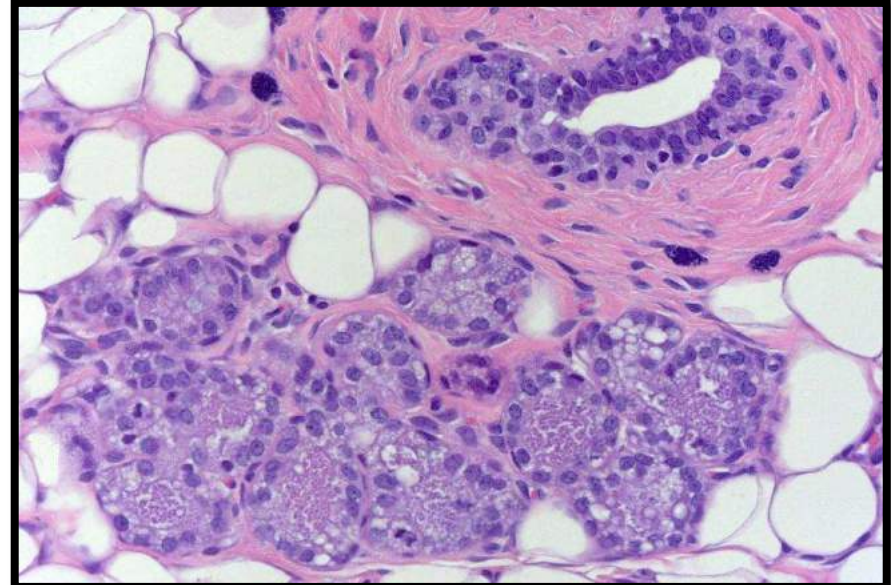
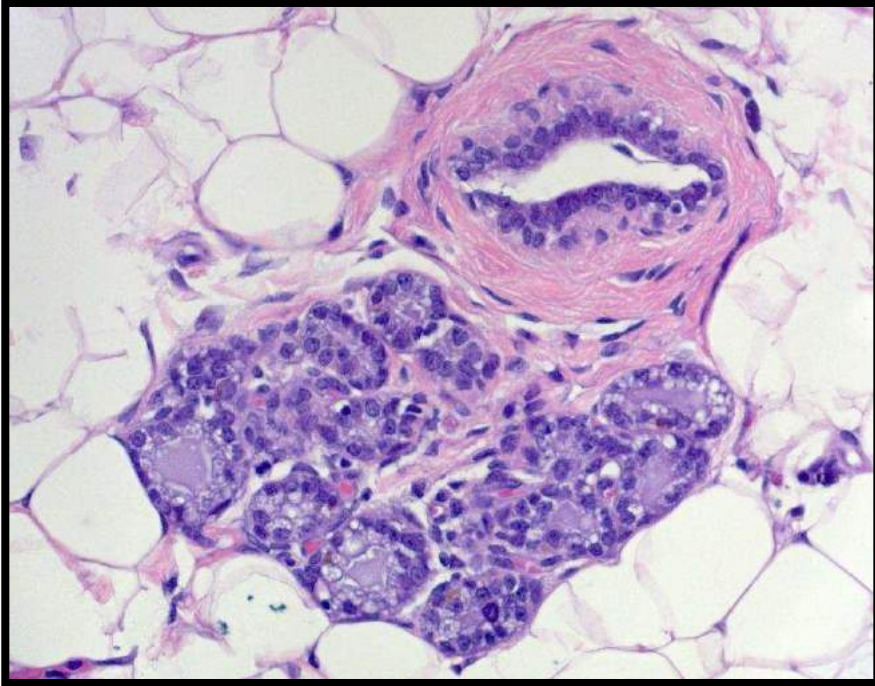
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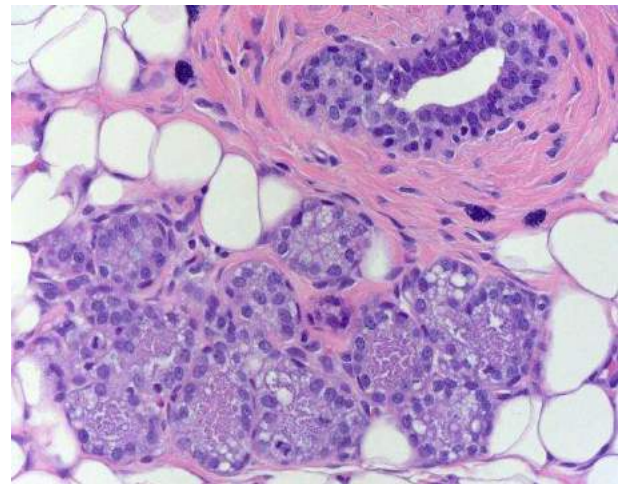
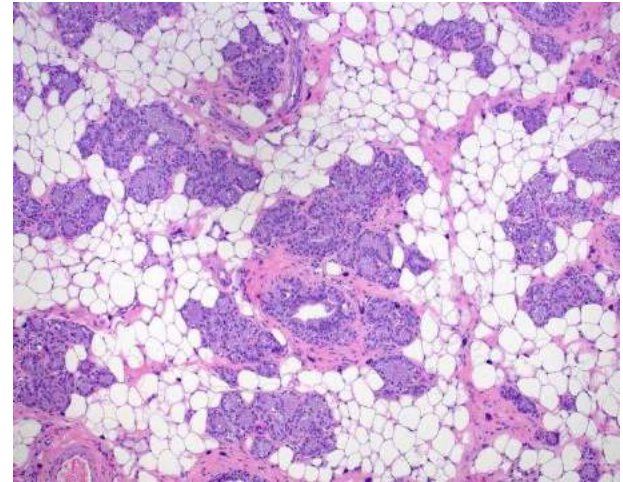
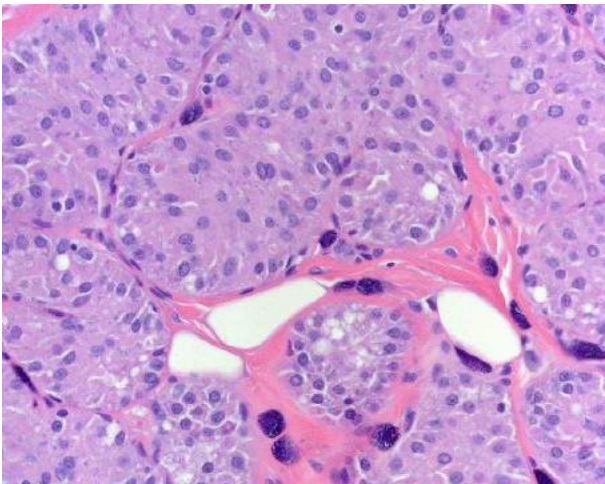
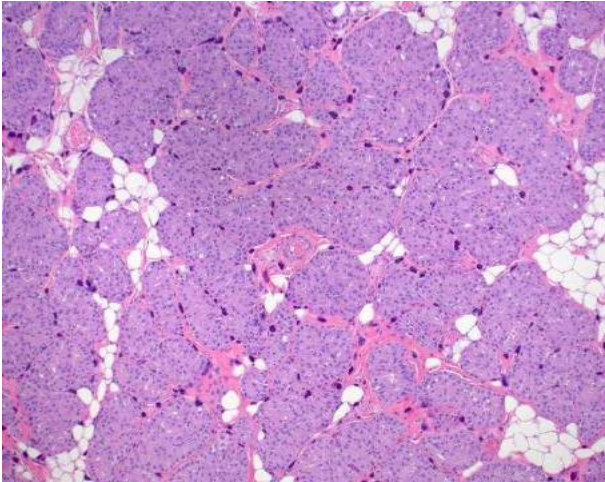
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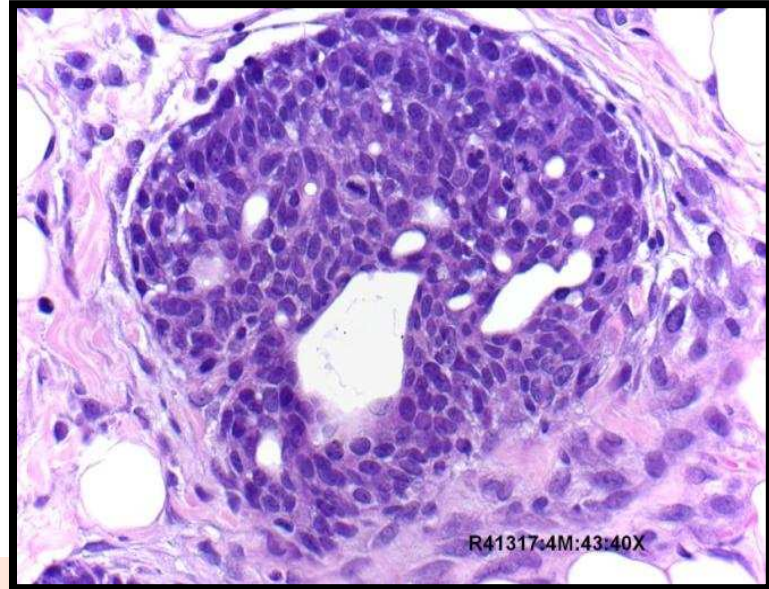
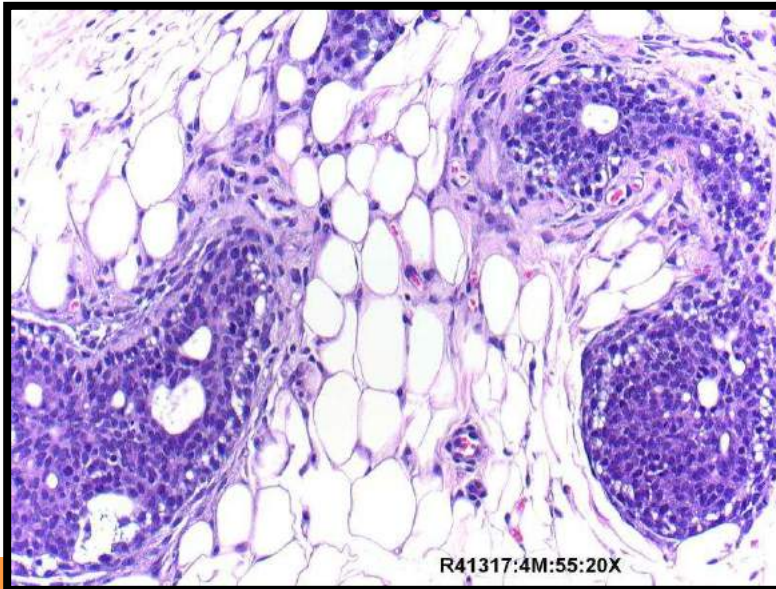
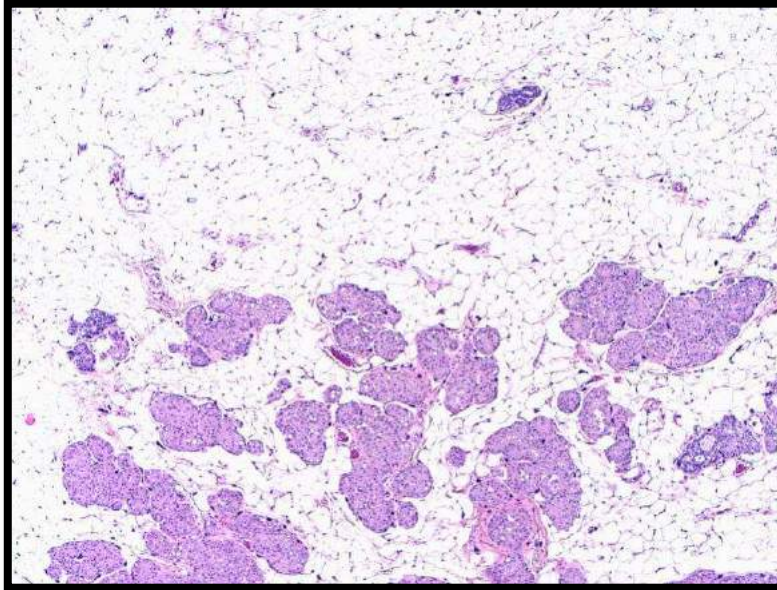
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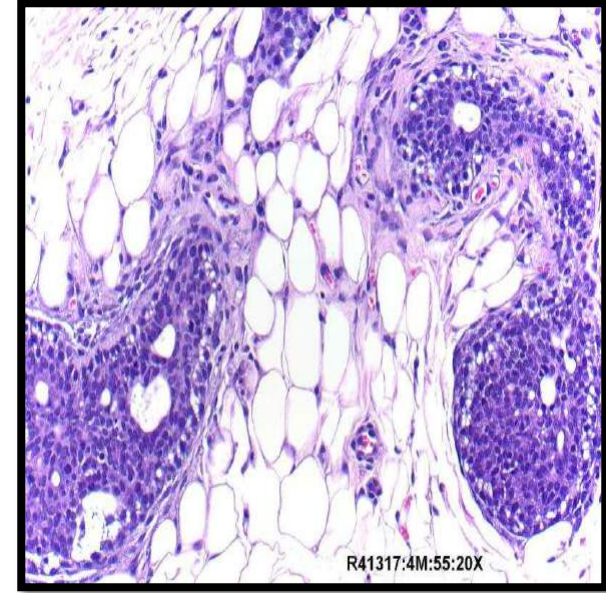
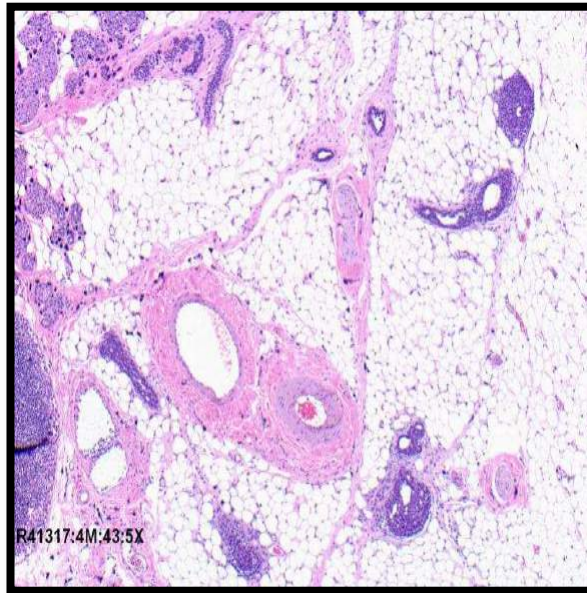
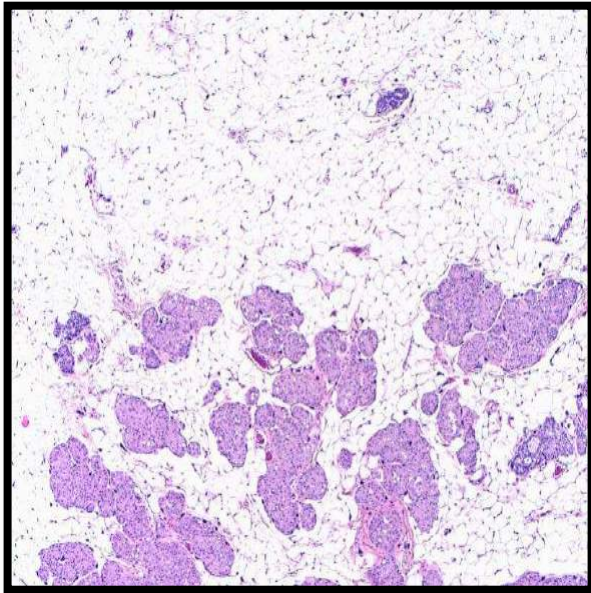
Normal Male vs. Virilization (females)



Male mammary gland - Feminization



Male rat mammary gland changes given SERM



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SERM

Selective Estrogen Receptor Modulators

- Treatment/prevention of breast cancer and osteoporosis
- Effects of SERMs may vary greatly, dependent on species and cell type
- Idoxifene – (similar to tamoxifen) –
 - Toxicity testing in rats, mice, dogs and monkeys
 - Rodents: 2 years; Dogs/Monkeys: 1 year

| | ER Antagonist | ER Agonist |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Tamoxifen | Mammary Gland | Endometrium/Vagina |
| | | Bone |
| Raloxifene (Evista) | Mammary Gland | Bone |
| | Endometrium/Vagina | |

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SERM - Control vs. Treated



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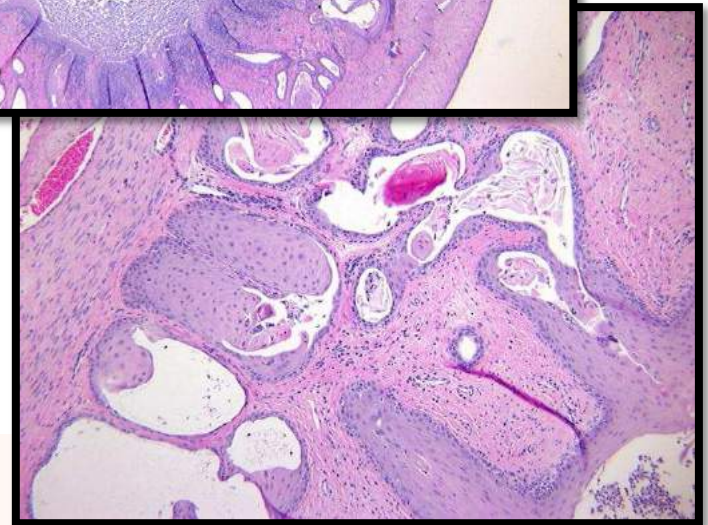
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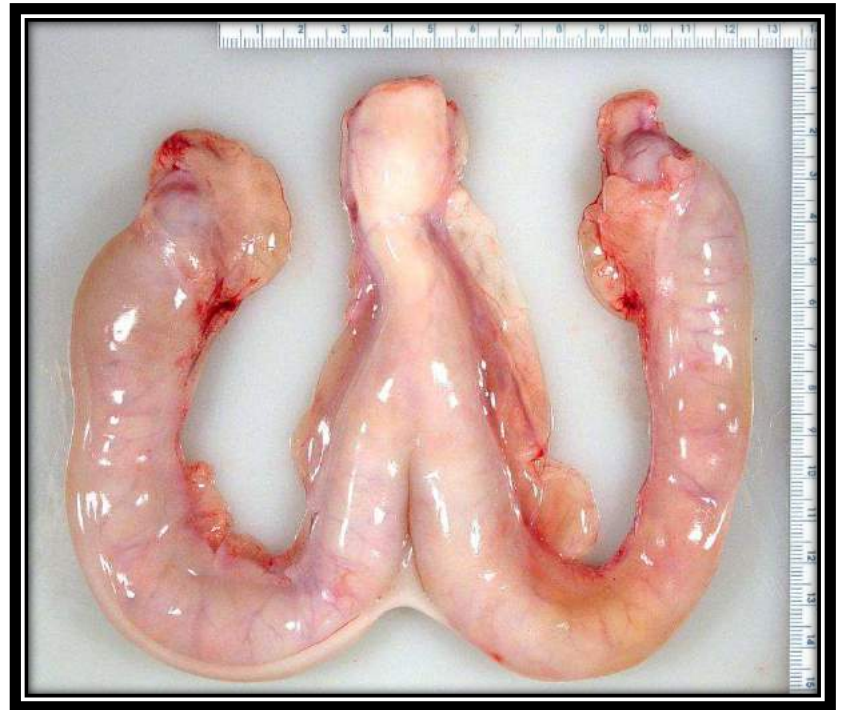
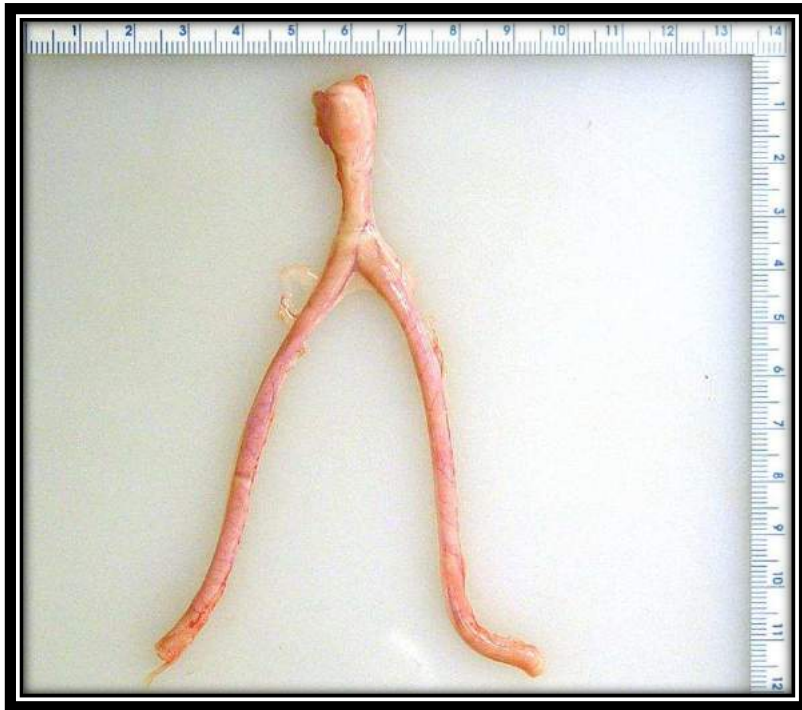
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SERM – Uterine Effects

(1month vs. 3 month toxicity study)



SERM – Uterus – 13 week study



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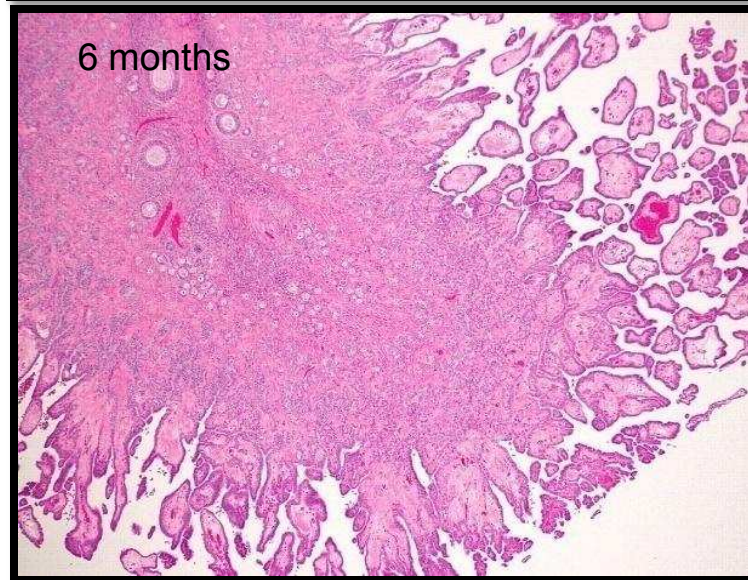
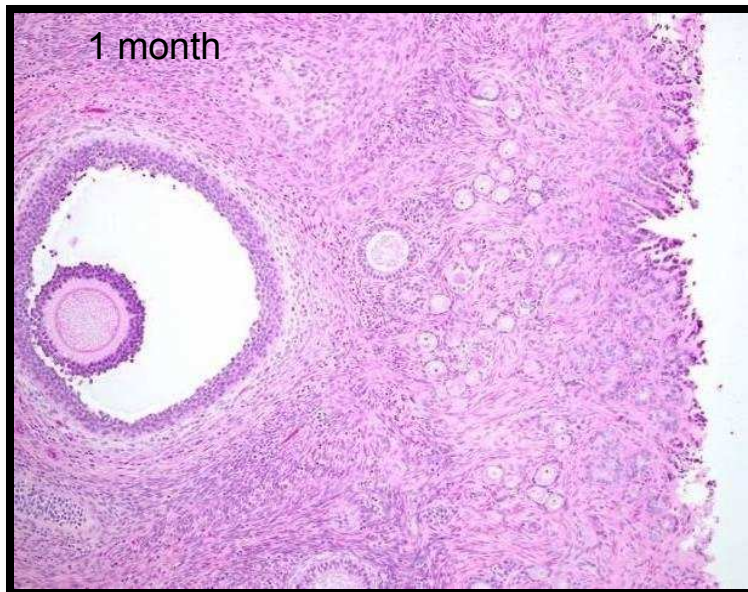
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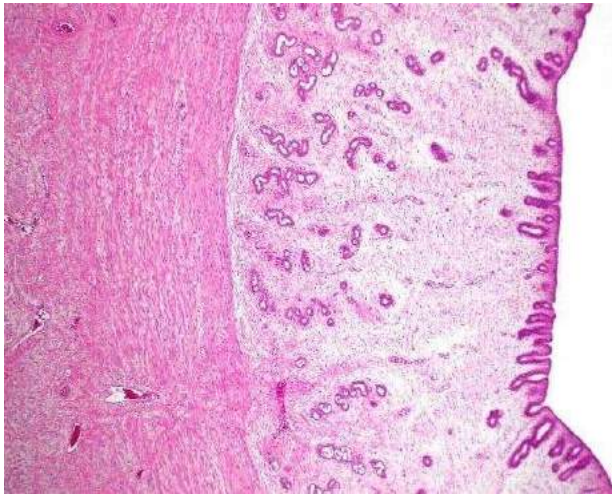
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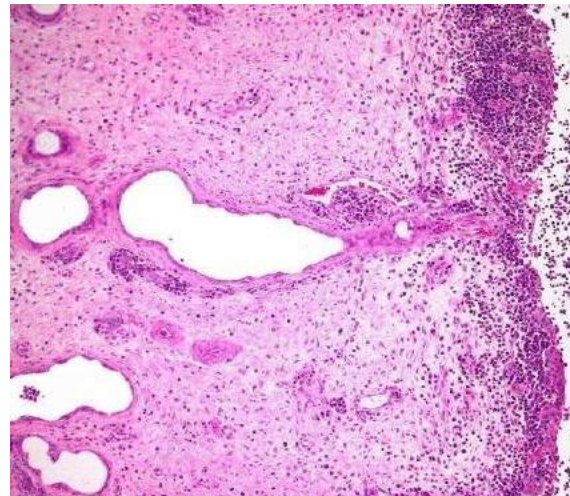


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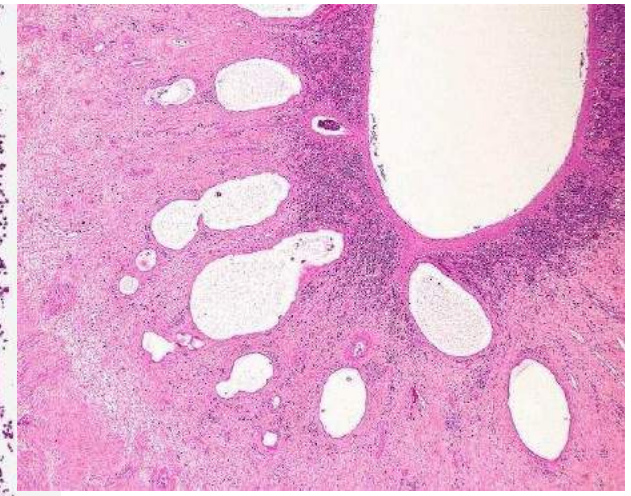
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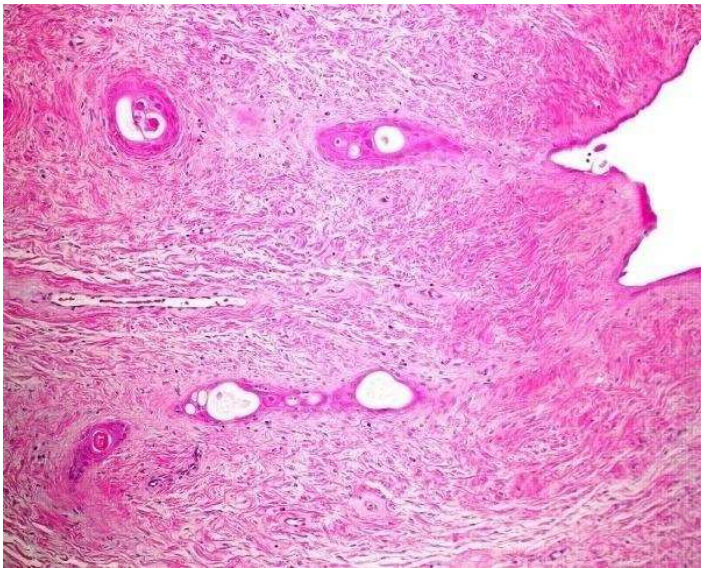
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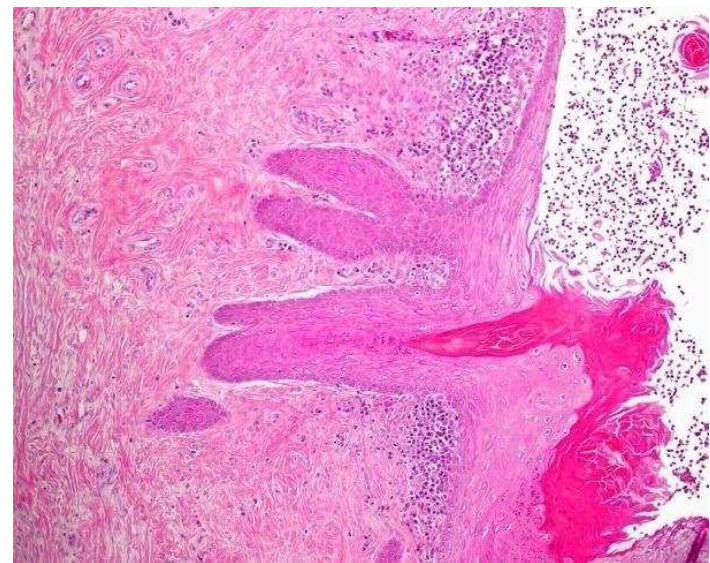
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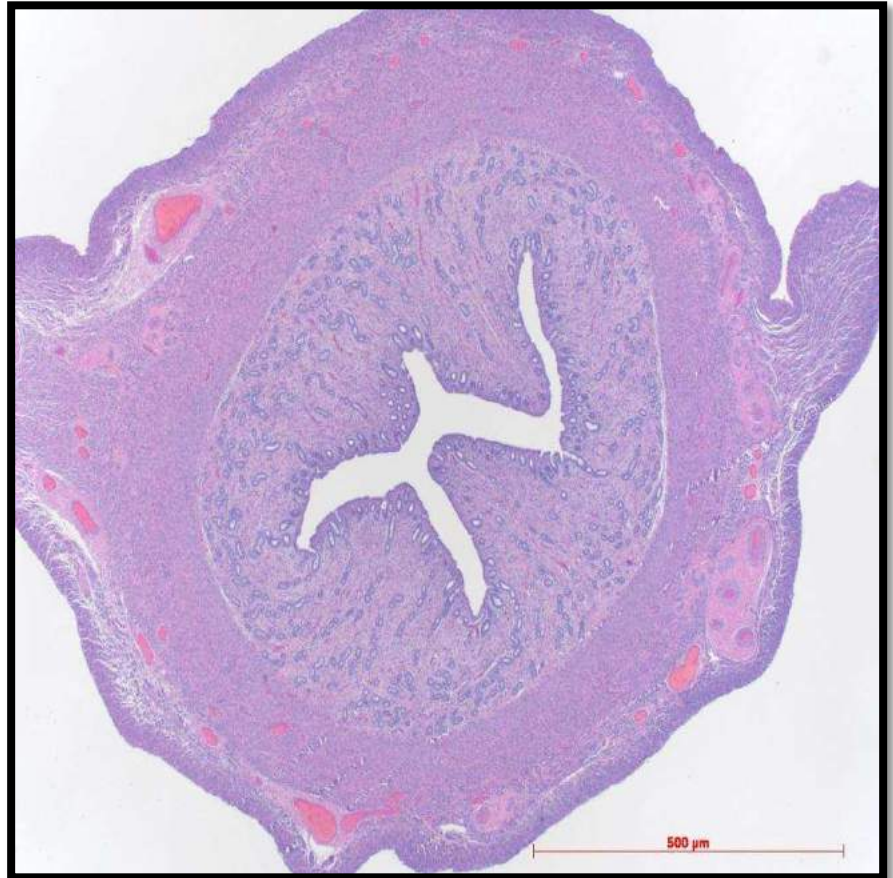
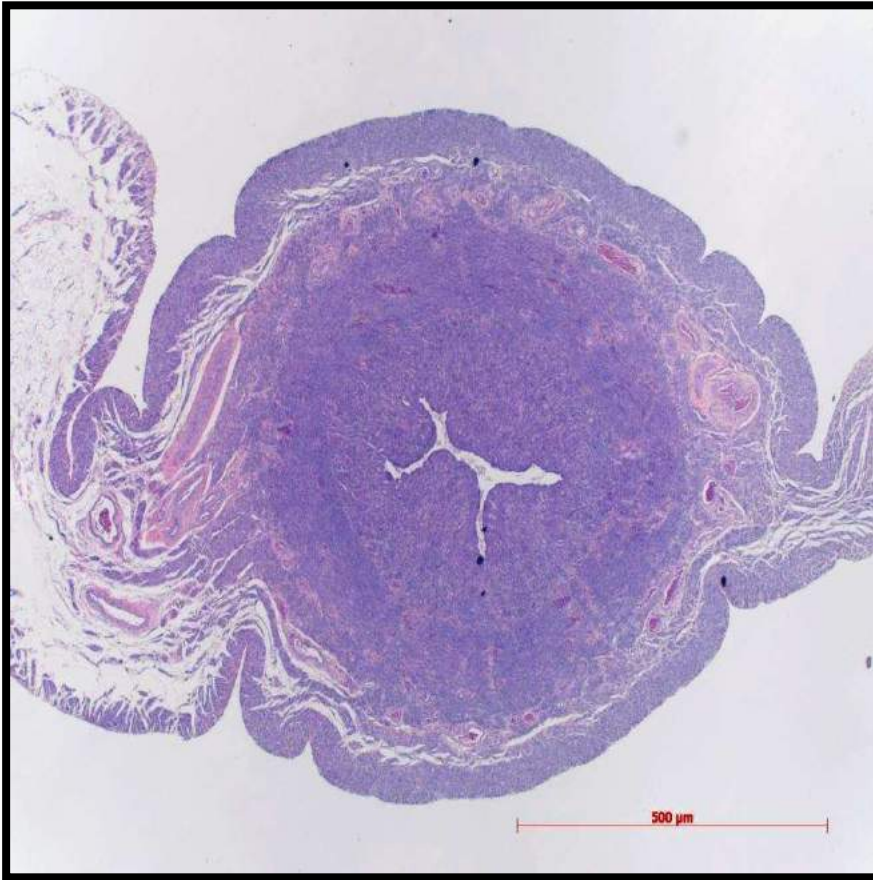


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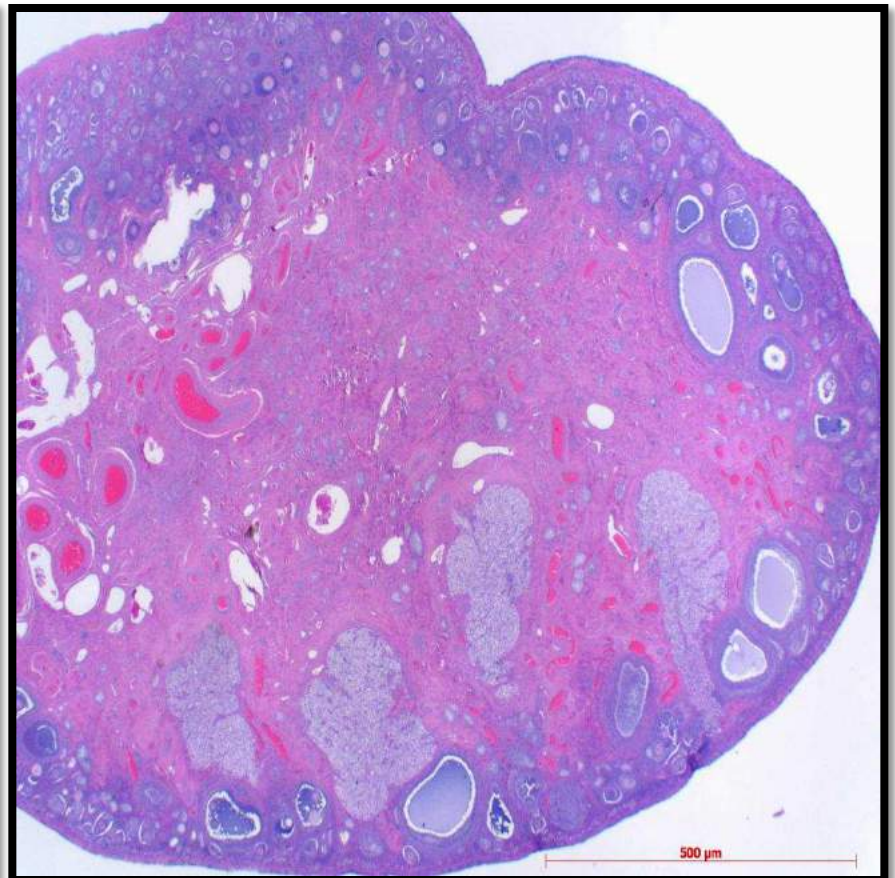


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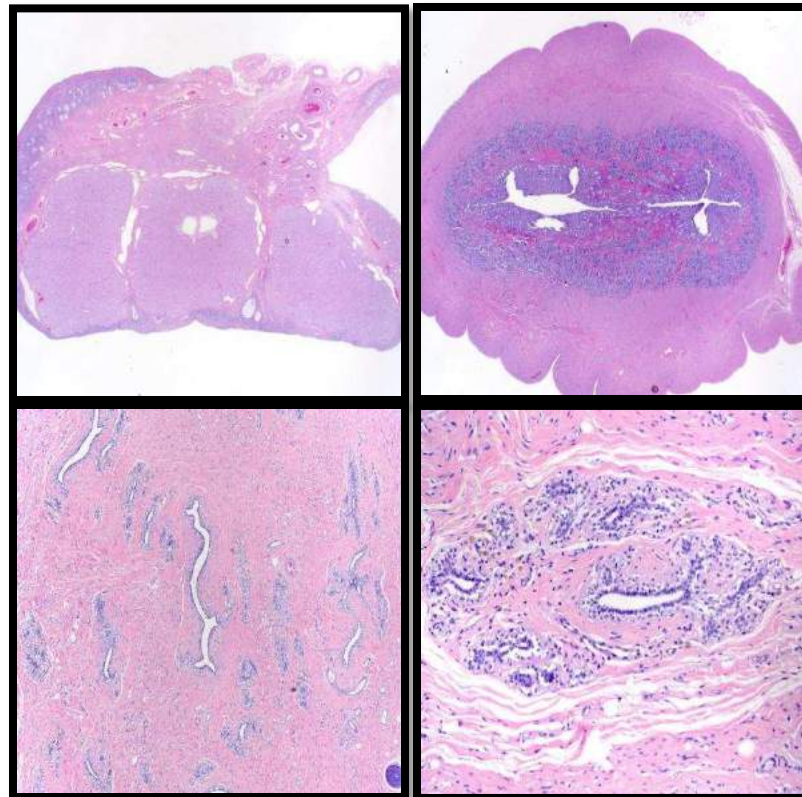
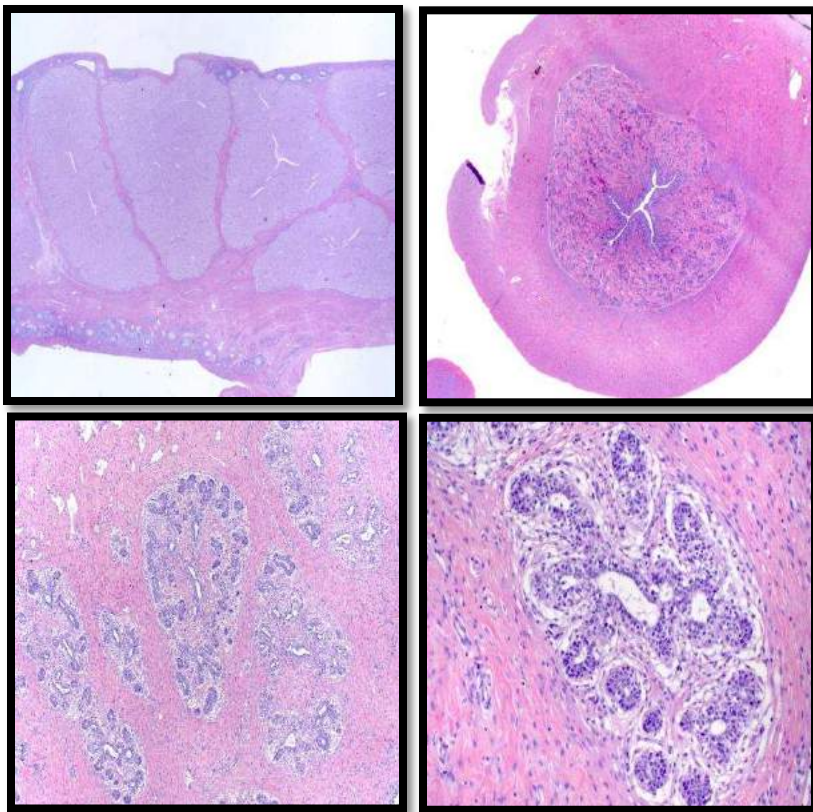
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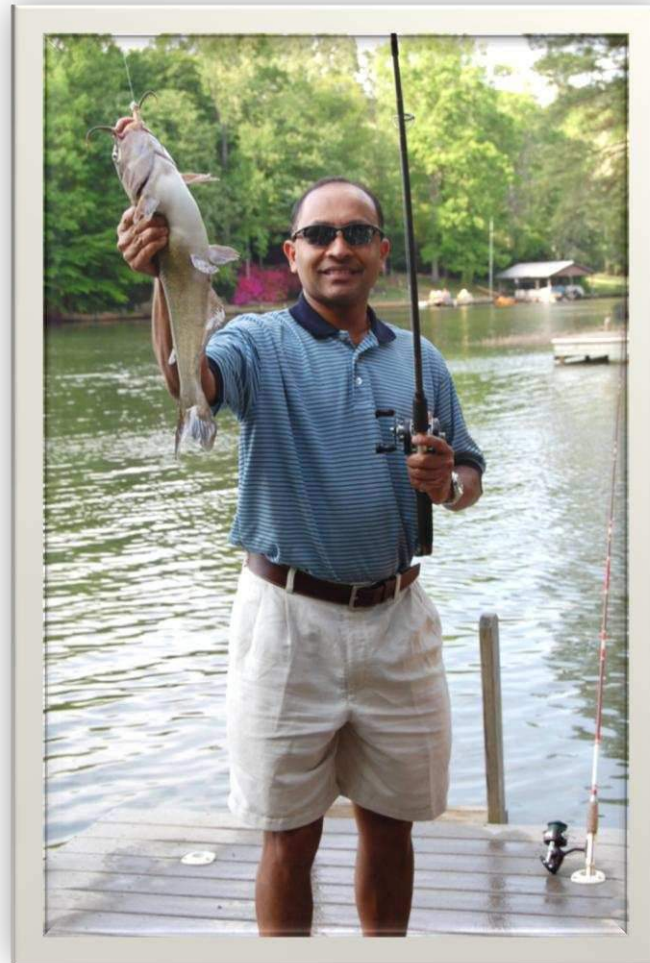
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