Understanding Diagnostic Tests

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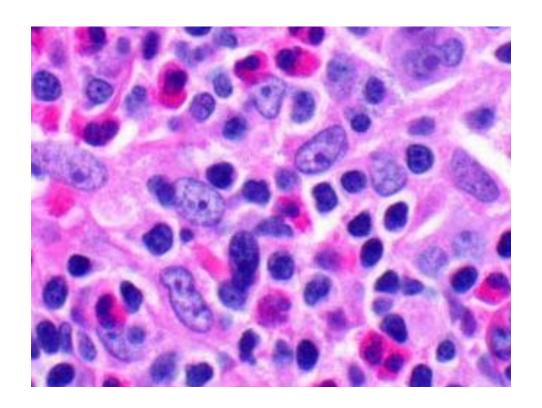
LymphomasDiagnosis and workup

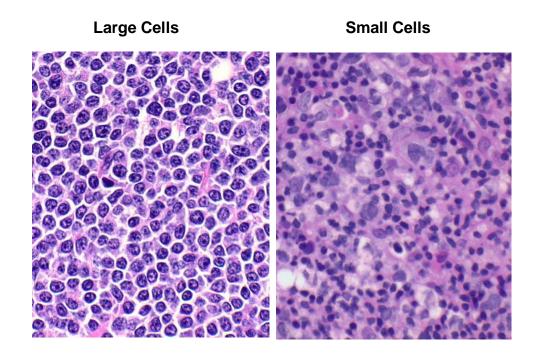
- 2 of the most important initial questions
 - What do you have?
 - Where do you have it?
- Other important question
 - What are you going to do about it?

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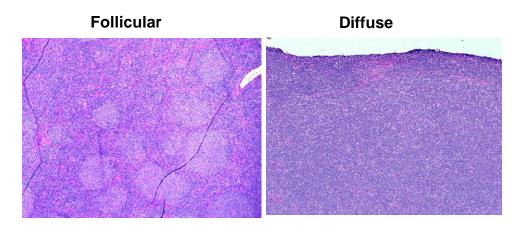
Diagnosis

- Biopsy of suspicious lymph nodes or masses (extranodal)
- Routine histology
- Immunophenotyping
 - CD2, CD3,CD4, CD5, CD7, CD8, CD20, CD30, CD56, etc





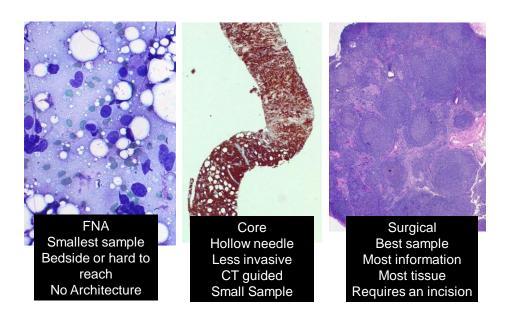
Architecture



Types of Biopsies

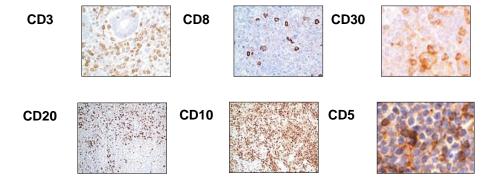
- Fine needle aspirate (FNA)
- Core Needle Biopsy
- Surgical: Incisional or excisional

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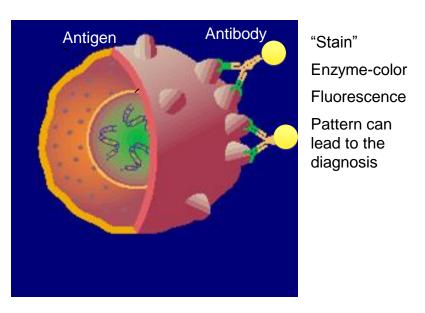


Immunophenotyping

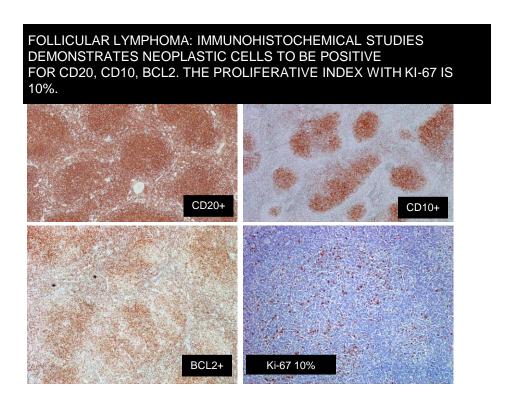
- Tells what kind of cell it is
- B cell vs T cell (CD whatever)
- Patterns of markers lead to diagnosis

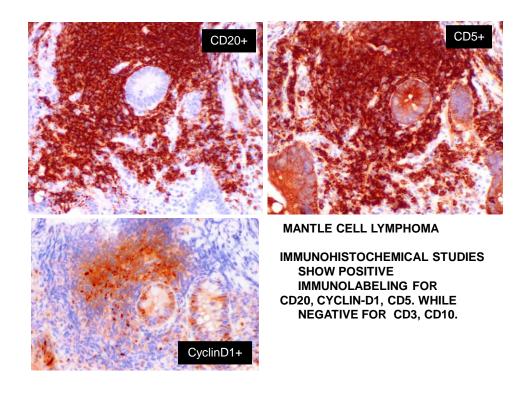


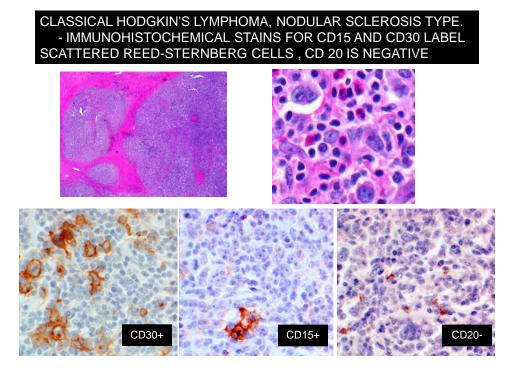
Immunohistochemistry



DIFFUSE LARGE B CELL LYMPHOMA. - IMMUNOHISTOCHEMICAL STUDIES SHOW THAT THE B CELLS ARE POSITIVE FOR CD20 AND HIGH PROLIFERATIVE RATE CD20 Ki-67







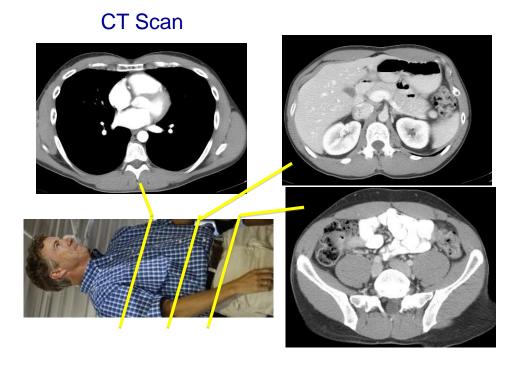
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- 2 of the most important initial questions
 - What do you have?
 - Where do you have it?
- Staging
 - CT scan
 - PET scan
 - Bone Marrow Biopsy

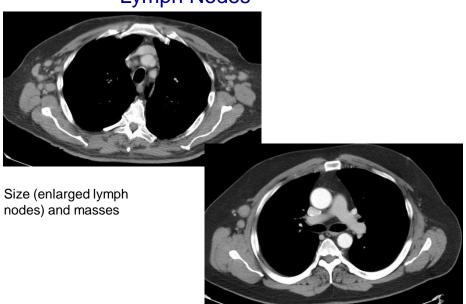
CT Scan



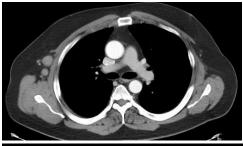
Oral contrast IV contrast



CT Scan: Axillary (under the arms) Lymph Nodes



CT Scan, Before and After



Enlarged lymph nodes under right arms



Complete remission after chemotherapy.

PET (CT) Scan



Oral contrast

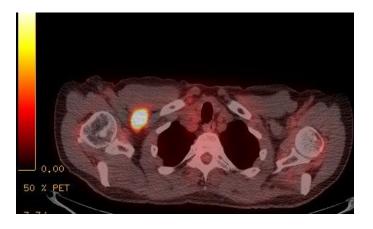
IV contrast-Sometimes

PET (CT) Scan

Metabolic Activity
PET Shows areas with
increased uptake of
FDG: suggestive but
not diagnostic of some
cancers including
lymphoma



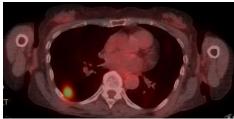
PET (CT) Scan, Fusion Images



Size (enlarged lymph nodes) and masses and increased metabolic activity

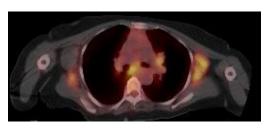
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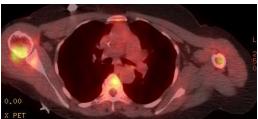


Nodule in the lung seen on CT scan. PET fusion images show that is it metabolically active and therefore more likely to be cancer-this requires a biopsy

PET (CT) Scan, Fusion Images Before and After



T-cell lymphoma with PET avid lymph nodes under arms and in chest



Complete remission after chemotherapy. PET activity in bones from Neulasta.

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Diagnosis and workup

- What do you have?
 - Biopsy
 - Histology
 - Immunohistochemistry
- Where do you have it?
 - Staging
 - Scans, CT and PET
 - Bone marrow