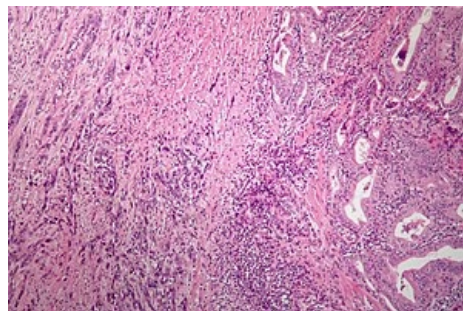


Anaplastic thyroid carcinoma

Anaplastic thyroid carcinoma i. e. anaplastic thyroid cancer is a rare (1–5 % of thyroid carcinoma). It usually affect individuals older than 60–70 years. Characteristic features for this type of tumor is: rapid growth of cancerous nodules, invasion to surroundings and mechanical syndrome (due to pressure). It creates distant metastasis (lymph nodes, lungs, liver, CNS).



Anaplastic thyroid carcinoma

Therapy

- Radical chirurgical intervention (total thyroidectomy),
- paliative care – cytostatic drugs + external radiation;
- often the therapy is only supportive.

Prognosis

- Unfavorable, the median survival is 5 months.

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