

# Carcinoma

Carcinoma is a malignant tumor arising from epithelium (*lining and covering a number of organs: the mucous membranes of the digestive, respiratory, urinary and genital systems, skin, glands,...*).

- Carcinoma arising from glandular epithelium = *adenocarcinoma*.

According to the consistency, the ratio of tumor tissue (parenchyma) to connective tissue content, carcinomas are divided into:

- *Soft* (medullary): tumor parenchyma is represented here by more than 50%; it is often dependent on the diagnostics only;
- *Medium stiff* (carcinoma simplex): the ratio of parenchyma to the connective tissue is approximately the same;
- *Hard* (scirrhous): the proportion of connective tissue is more than 50%.

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