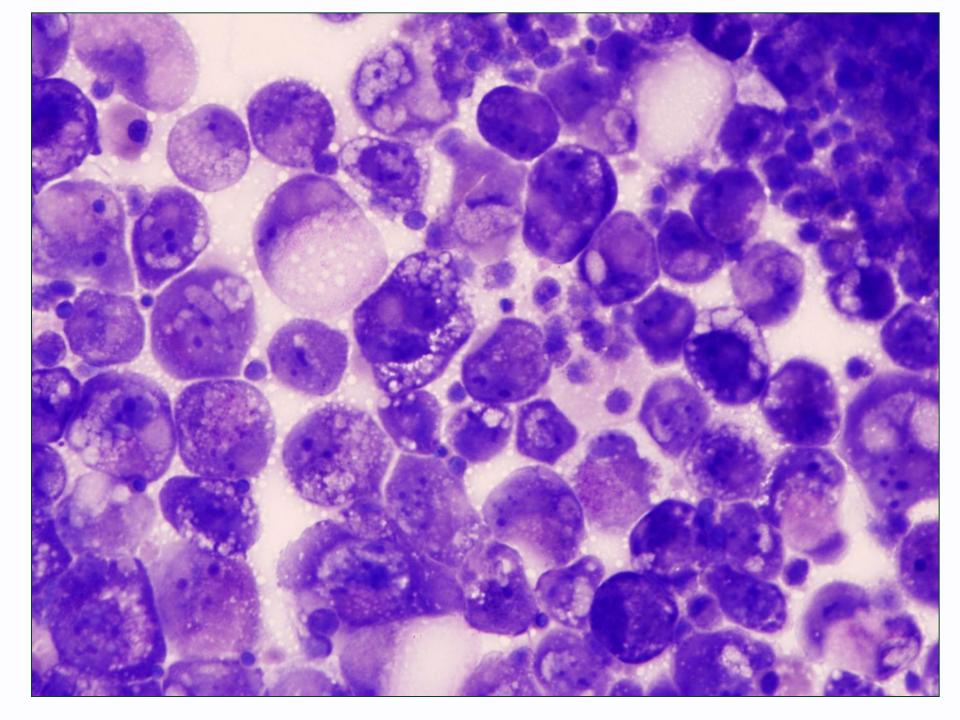
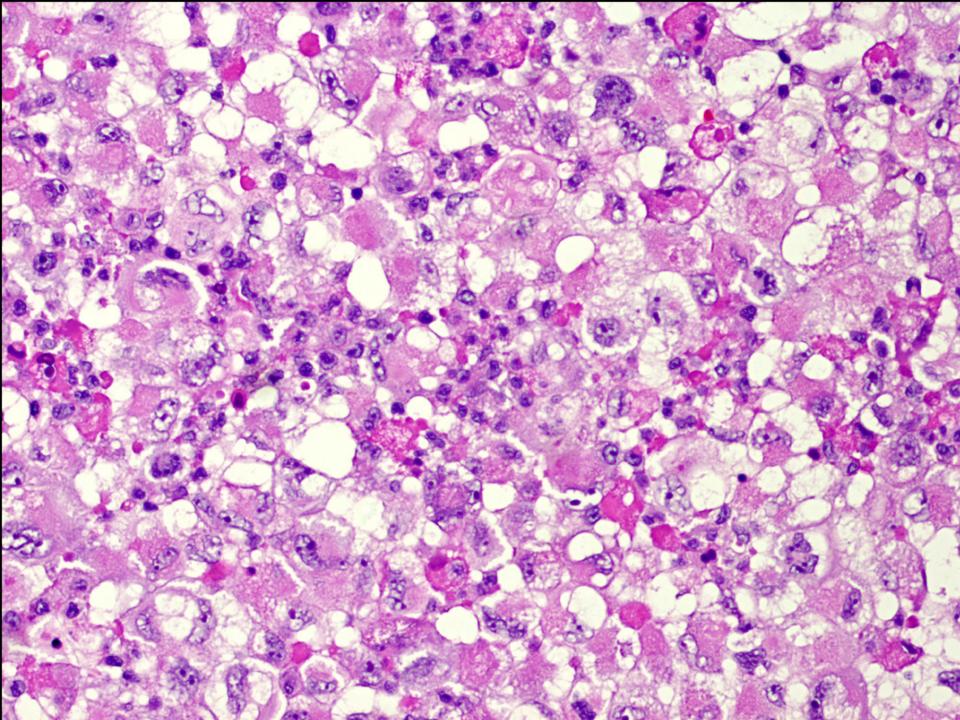
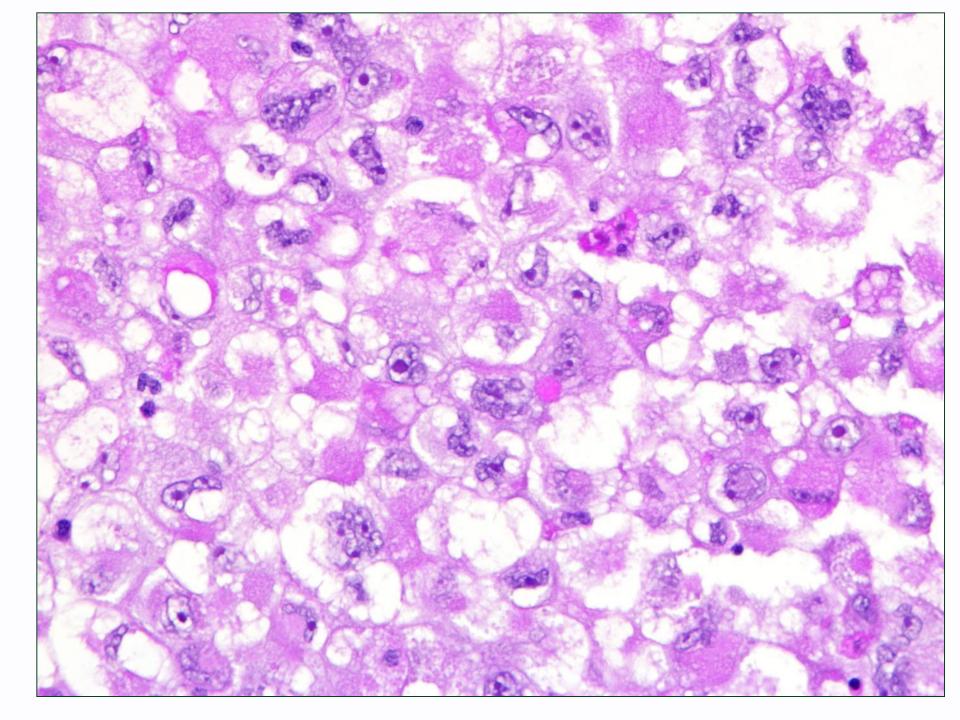
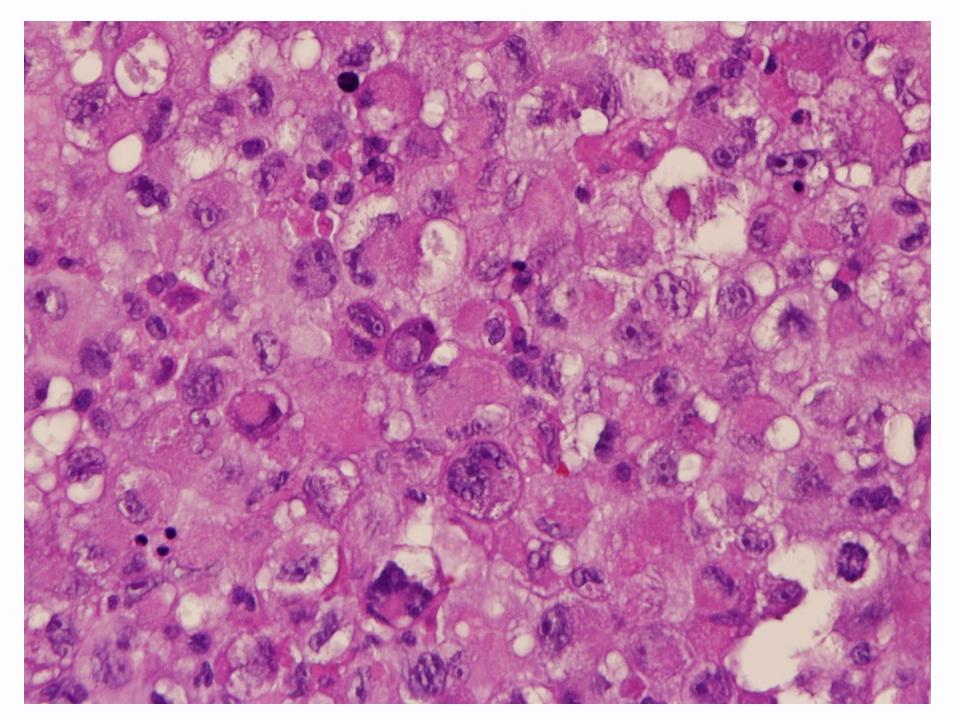
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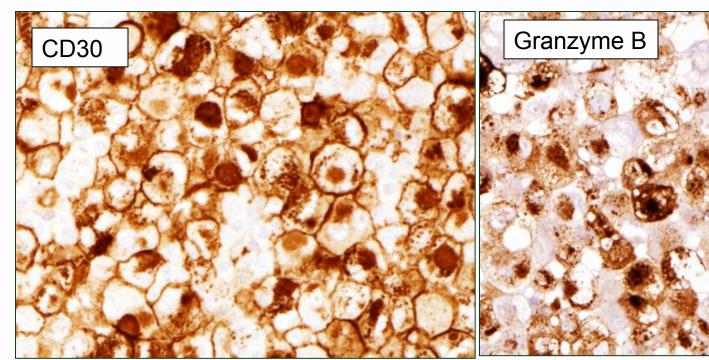
 A 43 year old female had breast implants placed bilaterally more than 10 years earlier. She presented recently with swelling and redness of the left breast. The specimen is a cell block of a cytological aspirate of the seroma fluid surrounding the implant site. PCR studies showed a clonal T-cell gene rearrangement. Implant was removed but no further therapy was given.

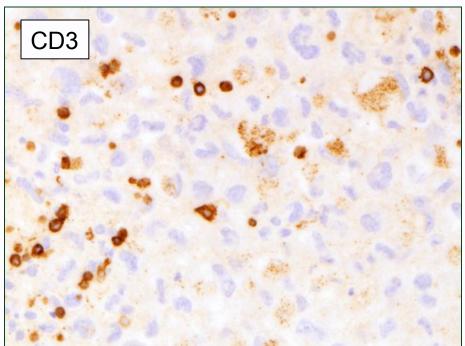












Other markers:
EMA weak positive
CD4 weak positive
CD5, CD8 negative
CD20 negative
Clonal TCR by PCR

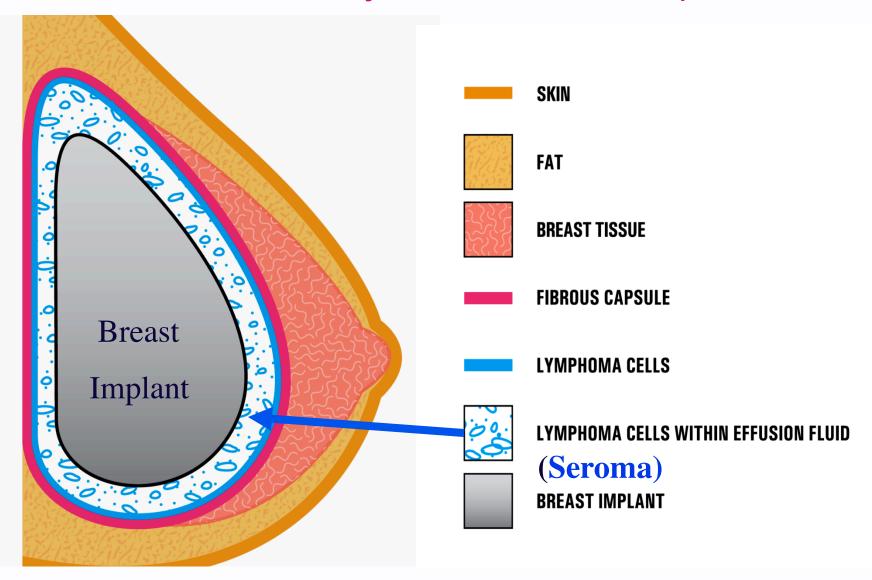
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 Diagnosis: Seroma-associated anaplastic large cell lymphoma.

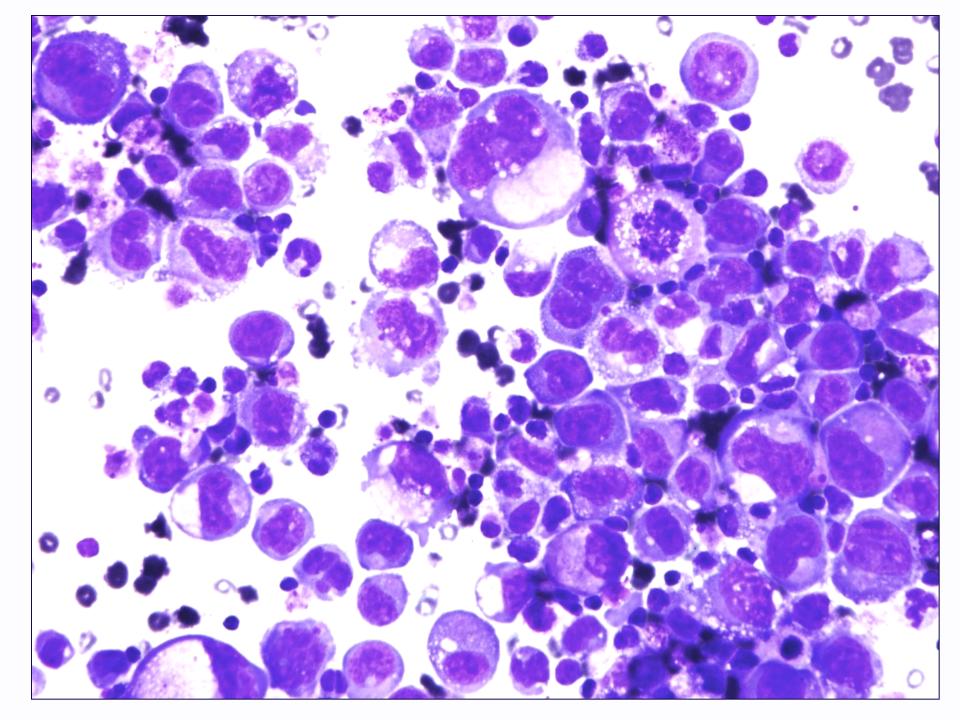
Seroma-associated anaplastic large cell lymphoma, ALK-negative

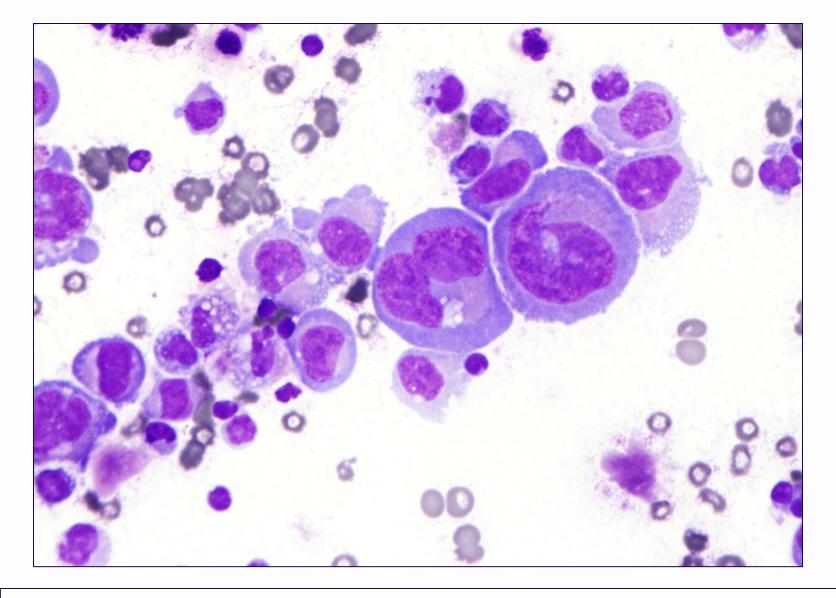
- Seen with a variety of breast implants, both saline and silicone
- Usually years after implant
- Symptoms related to accumulation of seroma fluid in cavity surrounding the implant
- Diagnosis best made by cytology
- Cells grow within cavity and on surface of cavity lining, usually without invasion

Location of ALCL Adjacent to Breast Implant



Modified from Thompson PA et al Haematologica 2010





Flow cytometry: Positive for CD30, CD2, CD25, CD4, partial CD7 Negative for: CD3, CD5, and B-cell markers. TCR PCR negative

