

Orthopaedic Oncology Sins to Avoid

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Pearl #1- Bone

- Most common primary tumor of bone
 - Myeloma/Plasmacytoma
- Most common tumor of bone – METS!!!
 - **PT Barnum Loves Kids**
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 - Where, Action, Response & Content

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- Bone Scan – can be negative in Myeloma/Kidney
- Differential – **OOEE**
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 - Deep
 - Firm
 - Fixed

Pear #3 - Pain

- **Malignant Soft Tissue painless; Malignant bone tumors painful!**



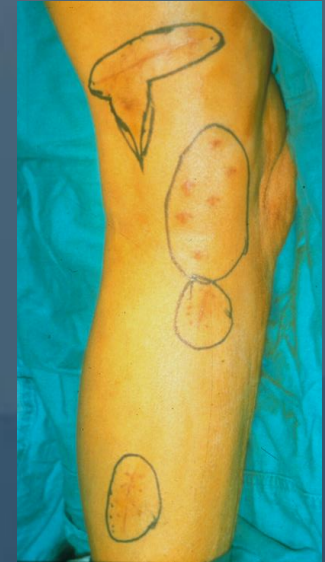
Pear #4 - Approach

- **HAVE ONE!**



Pearl #5 - Biopsy

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- Difficult because.....RARE!



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Ganglion
Muscle strain
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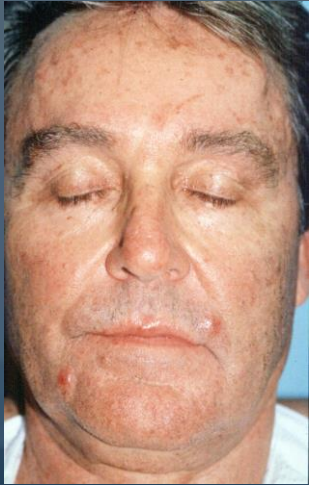


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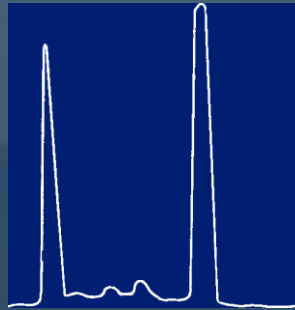
3 Main Treatment “Phases”: Phase I- Recognition



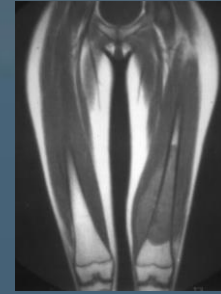
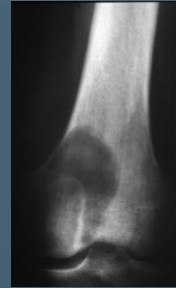
Phase II - Obtain Diagnosis



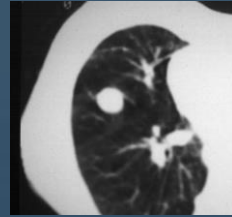
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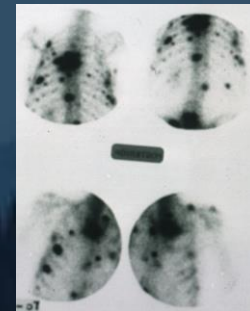
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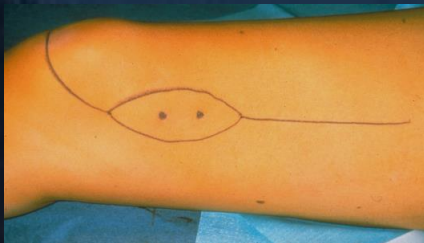
#3 Imaging



#4 Staging



#5 Differential Diagnosis



LAST #6 Biopsy

Phase II- Definitive Treatment



Recognition

- Difficult because.....RARE!

Annual incidence in U.S.:

Lipomas.....300,000

Soft tissue sarcomas.....8,300

Bone sarcomas.....2,500

Practicing Orthopedic Practice

- Less than 1 sarcoma every 3 years
 - 2,400 primary bone sarcoma
 - 8,300 primary soft tissue sarcomas
- However....remember bone metastases
 - 1.5 million new cancer patients
 - ~ 24-40% patients present with bone mets and no prior diagnosis of cancer
 - PT B L K
 - **You will see these patients!**

Work-up of Bone Tumors

- History&Physical
- Laboratory data
- Radiographic studies
- Staging
- DDx
- Biopsy

Broad Differential



Definitive Diagnosis

Work-up of Bone Tumors

- **History - AGE!!!**
- **OOEE < 20; MMOE > 20; MMLC > 40**

Bone Tumors: Age 0-5 years

- Osteomyelitis
- Osteosarcoma
- EG – Histiocytosis
- Ewing's
- Wilm's metastases
- Neuroblastoma
- Leukemia
- Rhabdomyosarcoma



Bone Tumors: Age 5-20 years

- **O**steomyelitis
- **E**wing' s
- **O**steosarcoma
- Osteoid osteoma
- **E**G
- UBC, ABC
- Fibrous dysplasia
- Non-ossifying fibroma



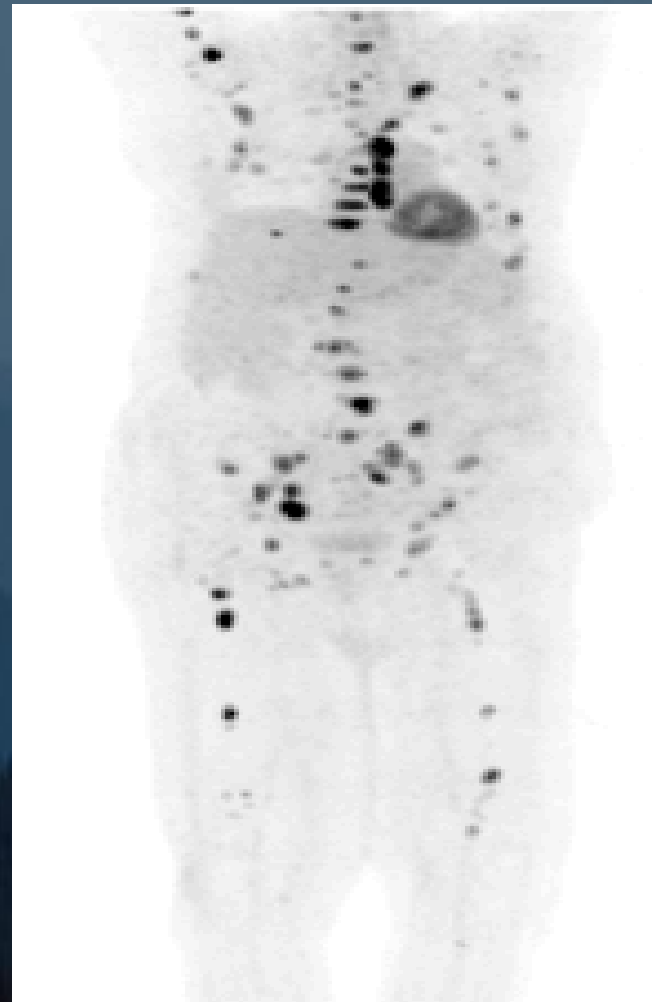
Bone Tumors: Age >20 years

- Giant cell tumor
- **M**yeloma
- **M**etastasis
- **O**steosarcoma
- **E**wing's
- Chondrosarcoma



Bone Tumors: Age >40 years

- **M**etastasis
- **M**yeloma
- **L**ymphoma
- **C**hondrosarcoma



Bone Tumors: *Pain Quality*

- Deep, aching
- Constant, progressive
- Night pain
- Referred pain
- Weightbearing pain



Bone Tumors: ROS

- Weight loss
- Night sweats
- Trauma
- Prior h/o CA



Minor tr

g fibrom

Bone Tumors: Reason for Presentation?

- Mass
- Deformity
- Fracture
- Incidental Finding



Minor trauma, non-ossifying fibroma

Family History



Pitfalls to Avoid:

Symptoms attributed to:

- Arthritis, inflammation
- Minor trauma
- Other procedures
- Other conditions
- Prior diagnoses/Red Herrings



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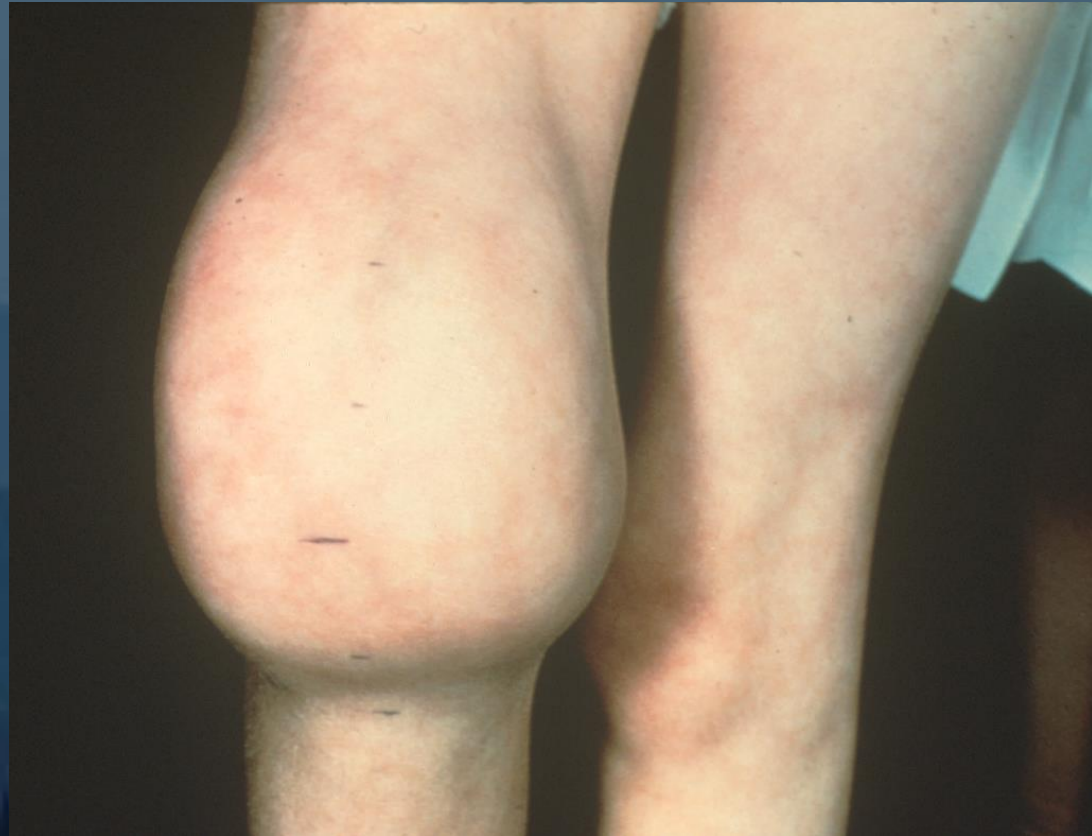
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Bone Tumors: Physical Exam

- General exam
- Local exam
 - NV status
 - Symmetry
 - Skin changes
 - Temperature
 - Drainage
 - ROM
 - Lymphadenopathy



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Bone Tumors: Laboratory Data

- CBC; INR
- Chemistry
- Alk Phos
- Ca⁺⁺
- ESR
- PSA/TSH/FT4
- U/A
- SPEP/UPEP
 - 24 hr urine for Bence-Jones protein



Met prostate Ca

↑ Alkaline Phosphatase

Marker of bone turnover

- Osteosarcoma
- Paget's disease
- Myeloma
- Metastases



Osteosarcoma

↑ Serum Calcium

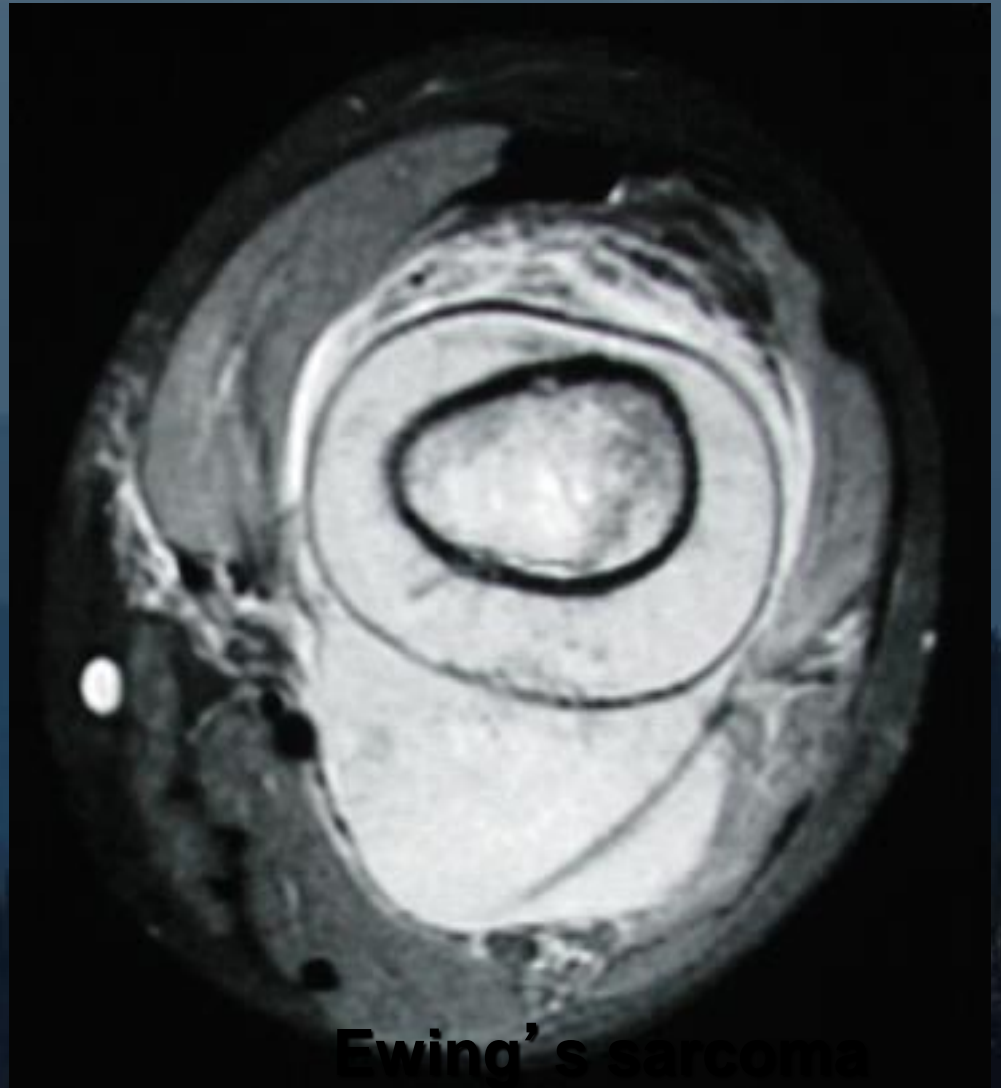
- Myeloma
- Metastases
- Hyperparathyroidism



Multiple myeloma

↑ ESR/CRP

- Osteomyelitis
- Ewing's sarcoma



Ewing's sarcoma

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Bone Tumors: Radiographic Studies

- A plain x-ray is the single most important test



Osteochondroma

Radiographic Studies Rule of 2's

- 2 views; 2 joints



Osteochondroma

Plain Radiograph Assessment: *Enneking Criteria*

- Where is it?
- Action – what's it doing to bone; lytic, blastic; zone of transition?
- Response – what's bone doing to it?
- Contents – what's in it?

Where is it - *Epiphysis*

- Giant cell tumor
- Chondroblastoma
- Clear cell chondrosarcoma



Giant cell tumor

Where is it - *Metaphysis*

- Osteosarcoma
- Enchondroma
- ABC, UBC, NOF
- Chondrosarcoma



Osteosarcoma

Where is it - *Diaphysis*

- Ewing's
- Adamantinoma
- EG
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- Osteoid osteoma
- Fibrous dysplasia



Adamantinoma

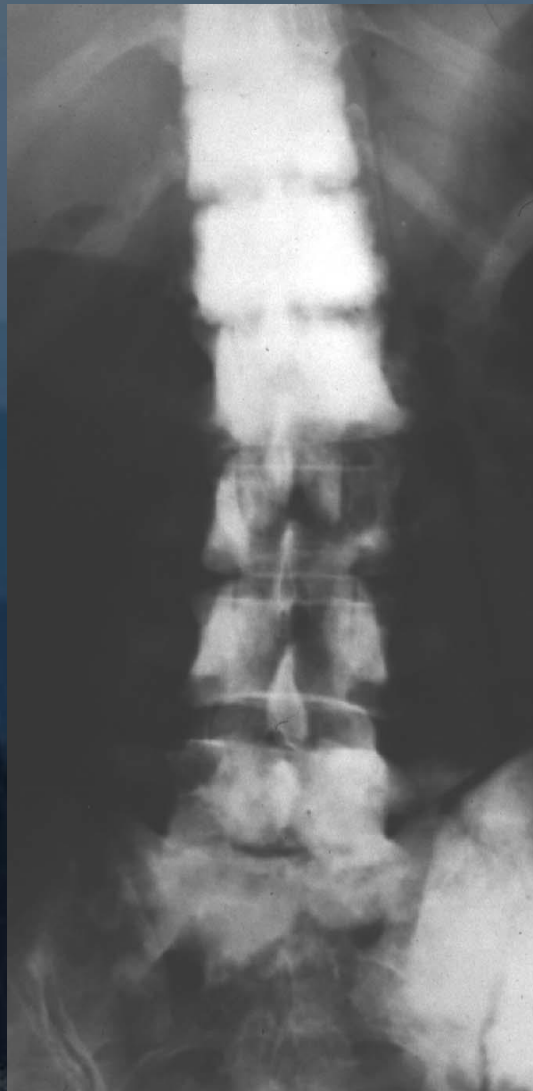
What Is It Doing to Host Bone?

- Lytic
- Blastic
- Mixed
- Permeative
- Transition



“Blastic”

Prostate cancer

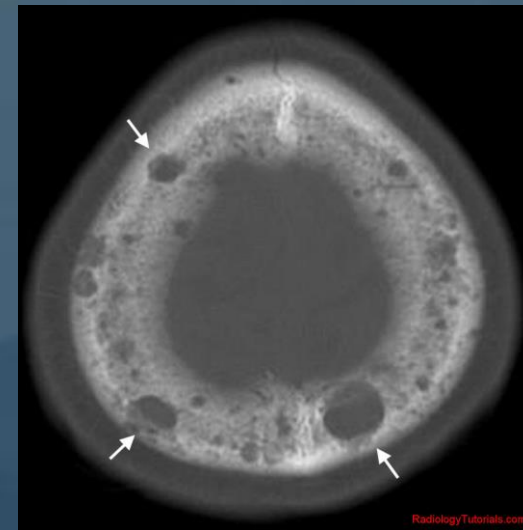


“Lytic”

Lung Cancer



Myeloma



How Is the Host Responding?



Benign



Aggressive



Malignant

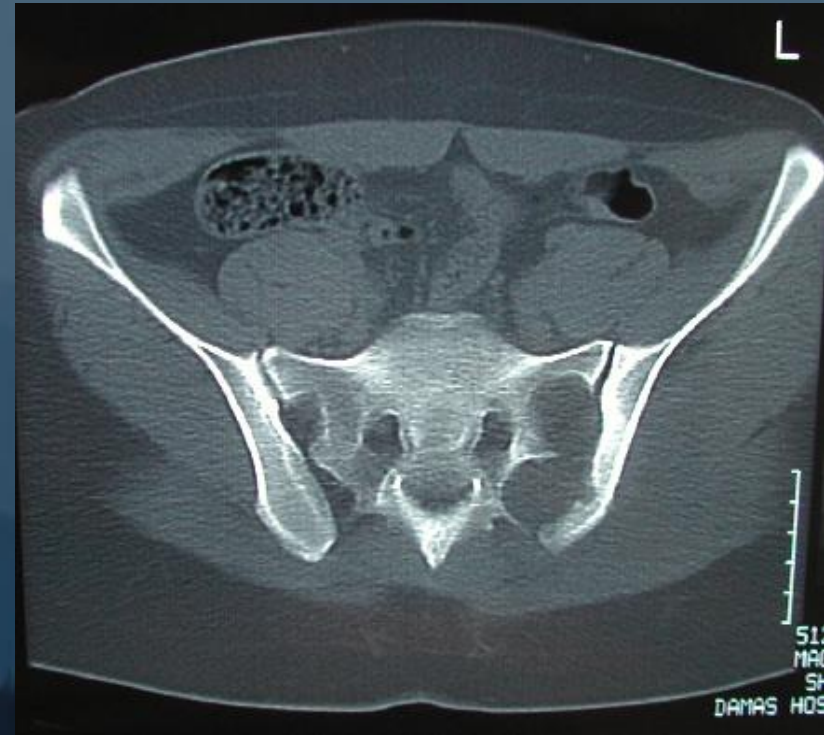
What Is in It?

- Radiolucent
...non-specific
- Calcified
...cartilage
- Ossified...
bone forming
neoplasm



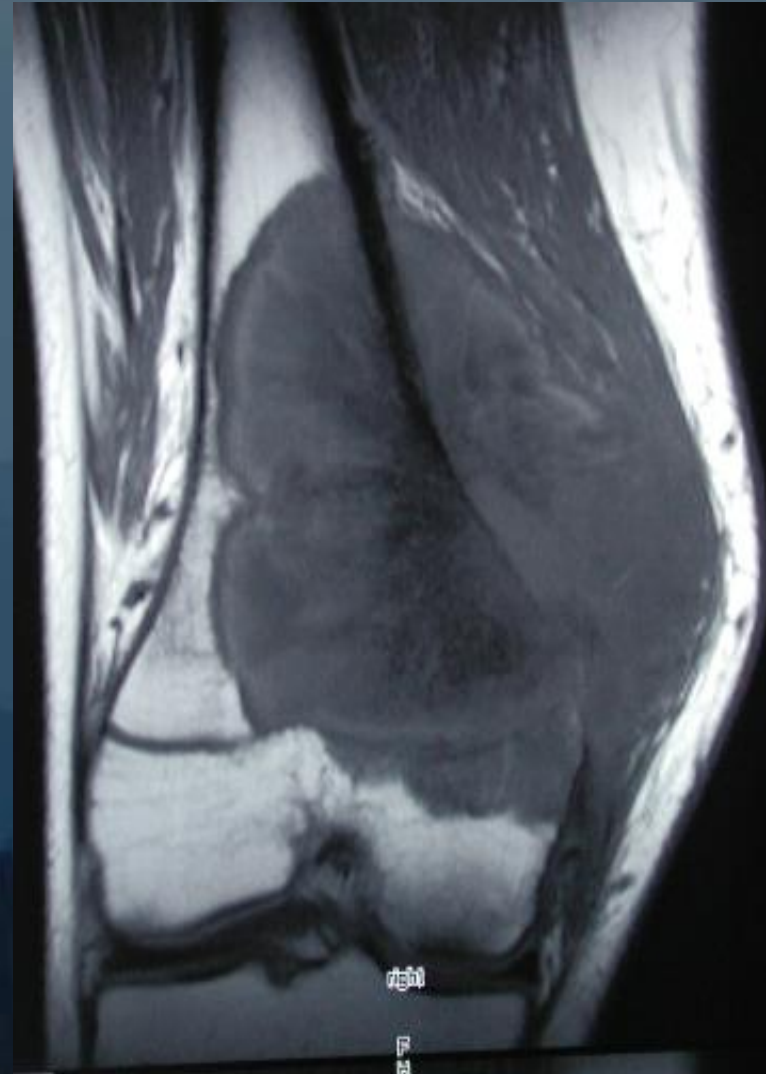
CT – Superior for Bone:

- Assess Complex anatomy
- Soft tissue calcification
- Cortical/bony evaluation
- Surgical planning



MRI:

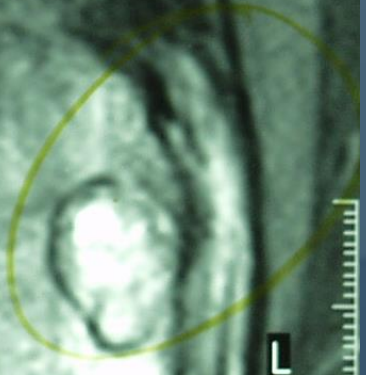
- Extent of:
 - Marrow changes
 - Soft tissue involvement
 - Edema
- Signal characteristics
 - Areas of tumor necrosis
 - Cystic lesions



Osteosarcoma

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TSE/M
SL 13

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3 cm

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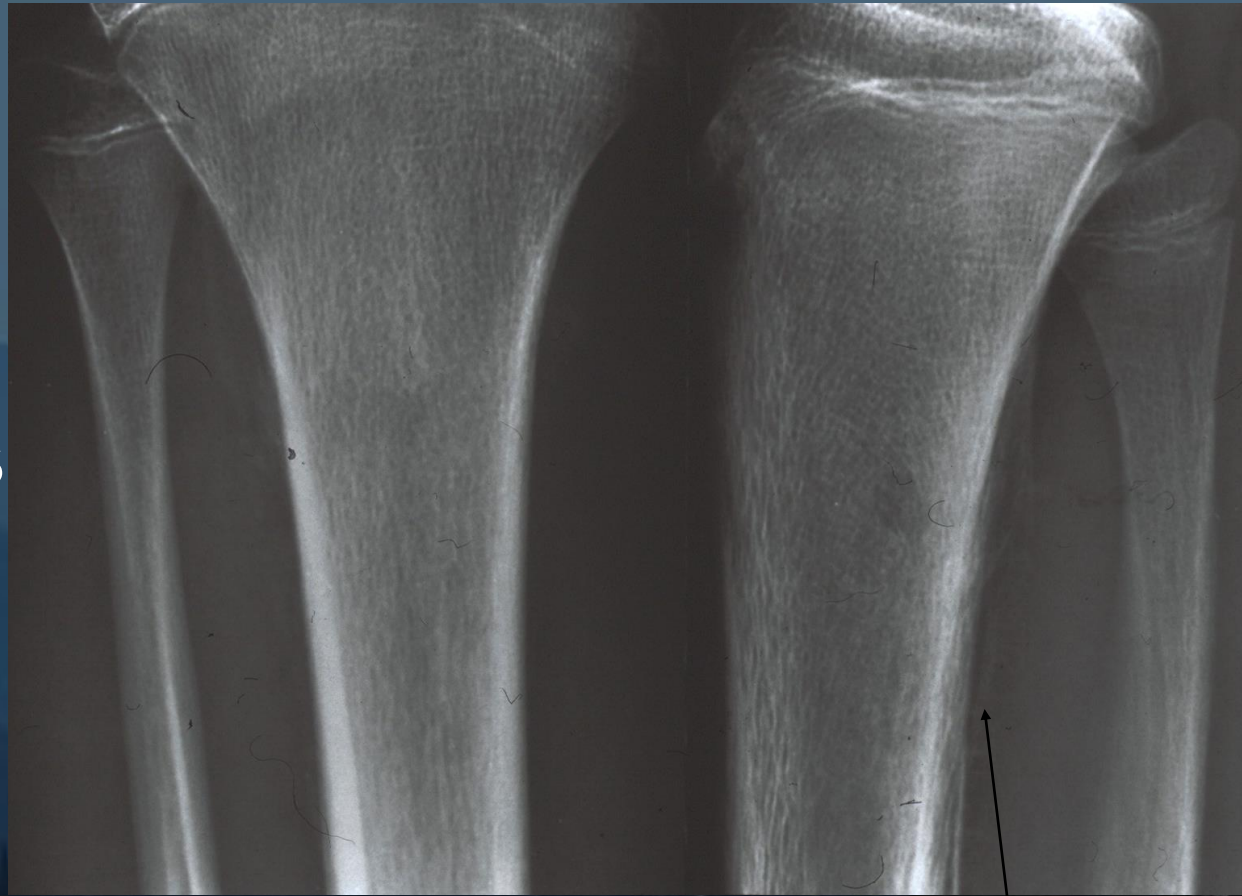
Pitfalls to Avoid:

- Look carefully at the x-ray...



Pitfalls to Avoid:

- Get two views



Ewing's
sarcoma

Periosteal
reaction

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Bone Scintigraphy: *Staging Study*

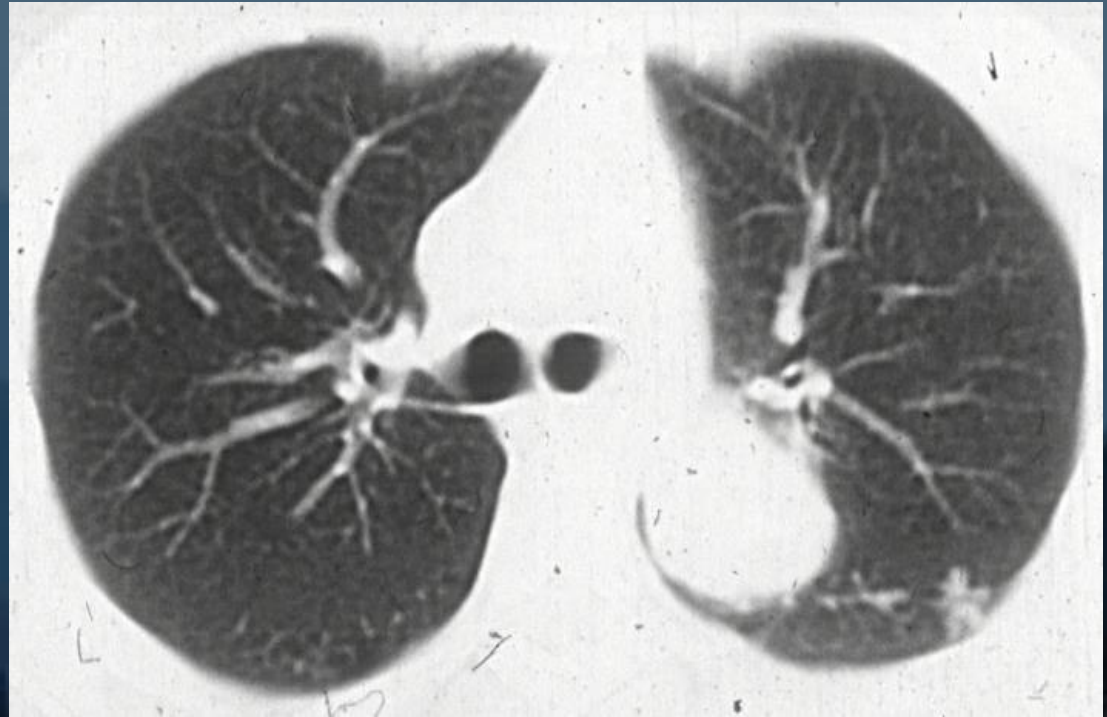
- Identify osseous metastases
- Extent bone involvement
- Can be negative in myeloma and aggressive tumors



Osteosarcoma

Computed Tomography: Chest /Abd/Pelvis

- Pulmonary
- Mets
- Kidney tumor
- Other lesions



Metastatic Ewing's sarcoma

Occult Mets: Diagnosis with PET

- Early mets can be missed on bone scan which detects osteoblastic response as opposed to tumor itself
- PET: measures metabolic activity of tumor; high grade malignancies with greater FDG uptake

PET Detection of Bone Metastases

- Data: as sensitive as bone scan for breast and lung mets but superior in specificity
- Not reliable in prostate and renal cancers
- Difficult to detect skull mets due to brain activity



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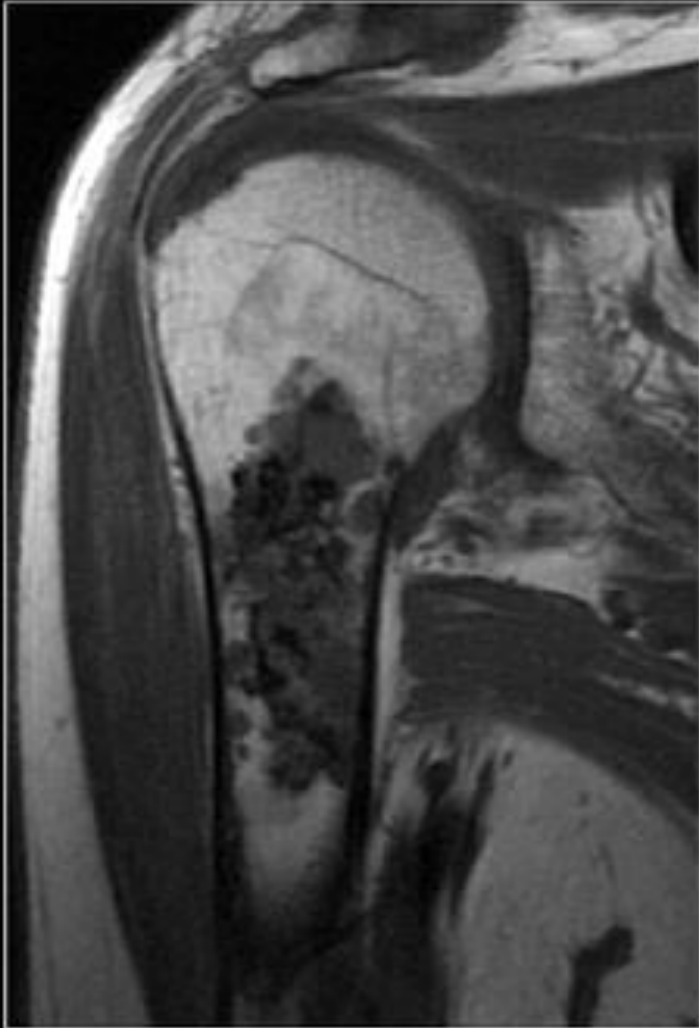
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Cartilage Lesions

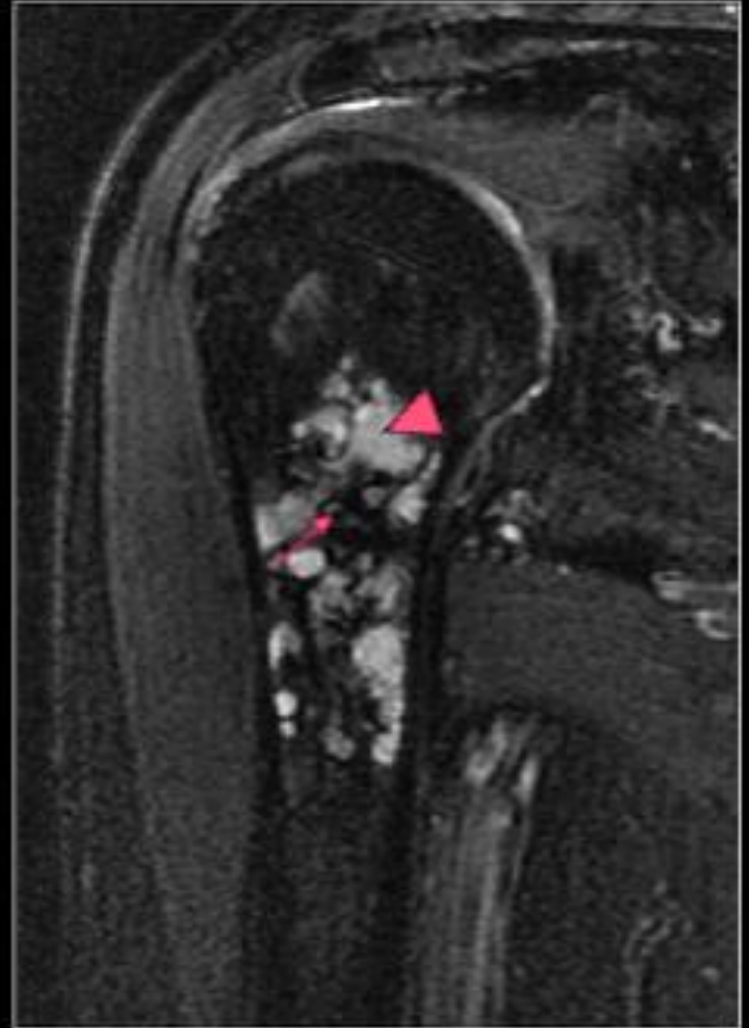
- Most common bone tumor referral
- Aggressive signs:
 - Endosteal scalloping
 - Soft tissue extension
 - Surrounding edema
 - Myxoid Change



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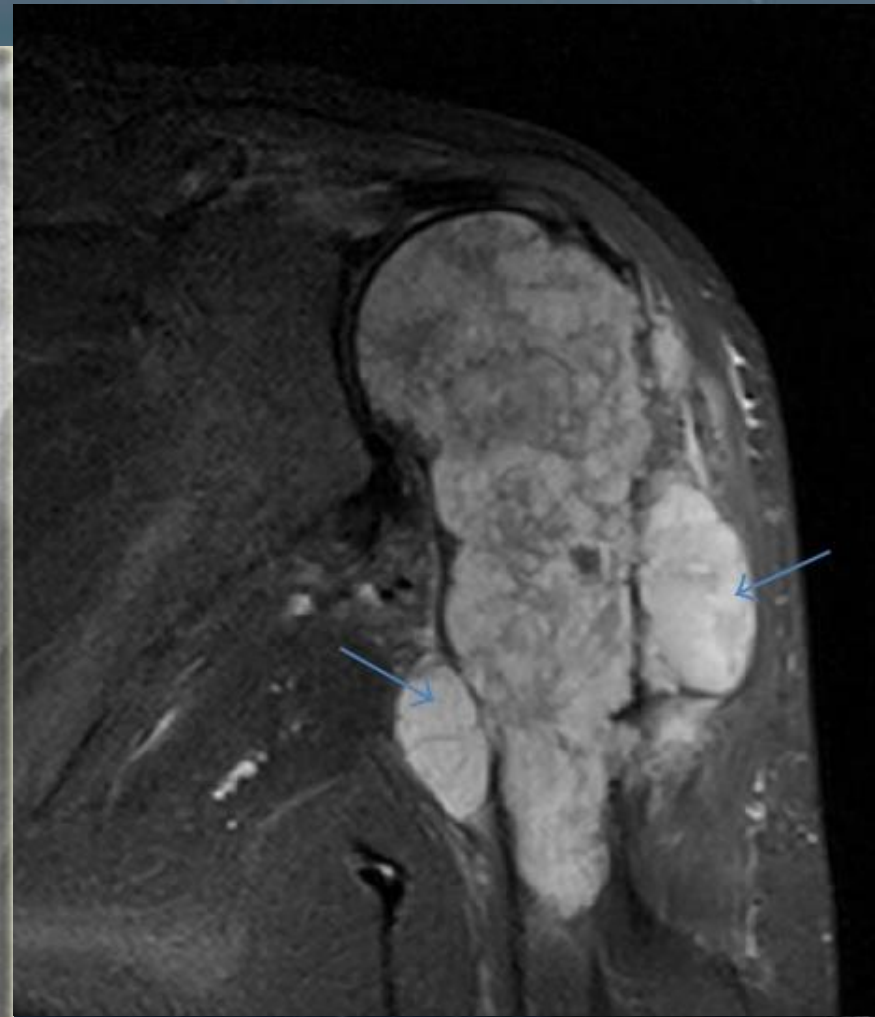


A



B

Cartilage Lesions



SOFT TISSUE SARCOMA

Annual Incidence in the U.S.

8,300



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Distribution

50%	Extremities
15%	Retroperitoneum
15%	Viscera
10%	Trunk
10%	other

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SOFT TISSUE SARCOMA

History

1. How long has mass been present?
2. Is mass increasing in size/fluctuate in size?
3. Is mass painful?
4. Has there been penetrating or nonpenetrating trauma?

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SOFT TISSUE SARCOMA

Physical Exam

- Local
- Determine size, depth, consistency, mobility of mass
- Motion contiguous joints
- Weakness/sensory loss
- Pulses/bruit
- Trans-illuminate

SOFT TISSUE SARCOMA

Physical Exam

- Regional lymph glands
- Hepatosplenomegaly

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SOFT TISSUE SARCOMA

Evaluation

Physical

- Malignancy
 - large (>5 cm)
 - firm, deep
 - Fixed
 - Moderate tenderness
 - Regional adenopathy
- Benign
 - small
 - superficial
 - mobile







Work-up of Soft Tissue Tumors

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Soft Tissue Tumors: Laboratory

- CBC; INR
- Chemistry
- Ca⁺⁺; LDH
- ESR; CRP



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Definitive Diagnosis

SOFT TISSUE SARCOMA

Evaluation

- Must know extent of local disease
 - Depth
 - Size
 - Consistency
 - Proximity to structures
 - Pathological diagnosis
 - Metastatic disease

SOFT TISSUE SARCOMA

Evaluation

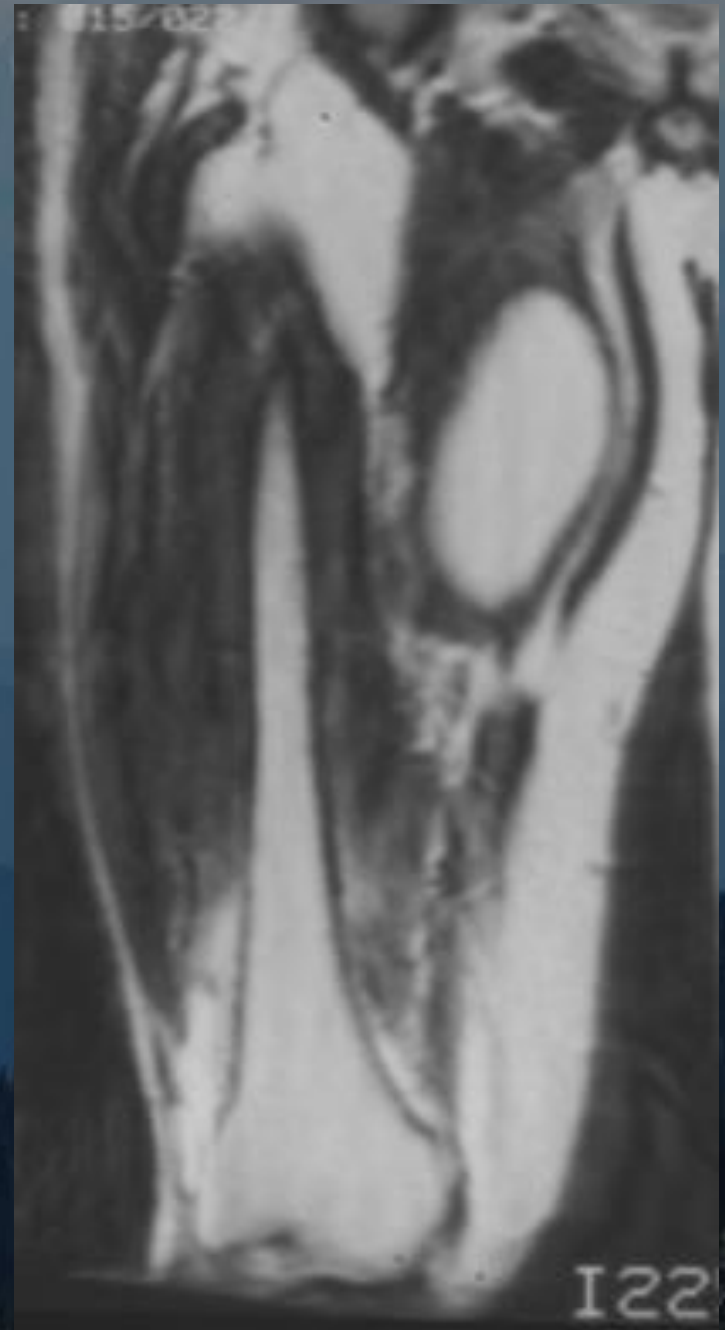
Imaging

Dual plain radiographs:

- Alteration in size
- Alteration in fascial plains
- Calcification
- Extrinsic compression/scalloping of bone
- Periosteal reaction
- Well circumscribed, fat density location



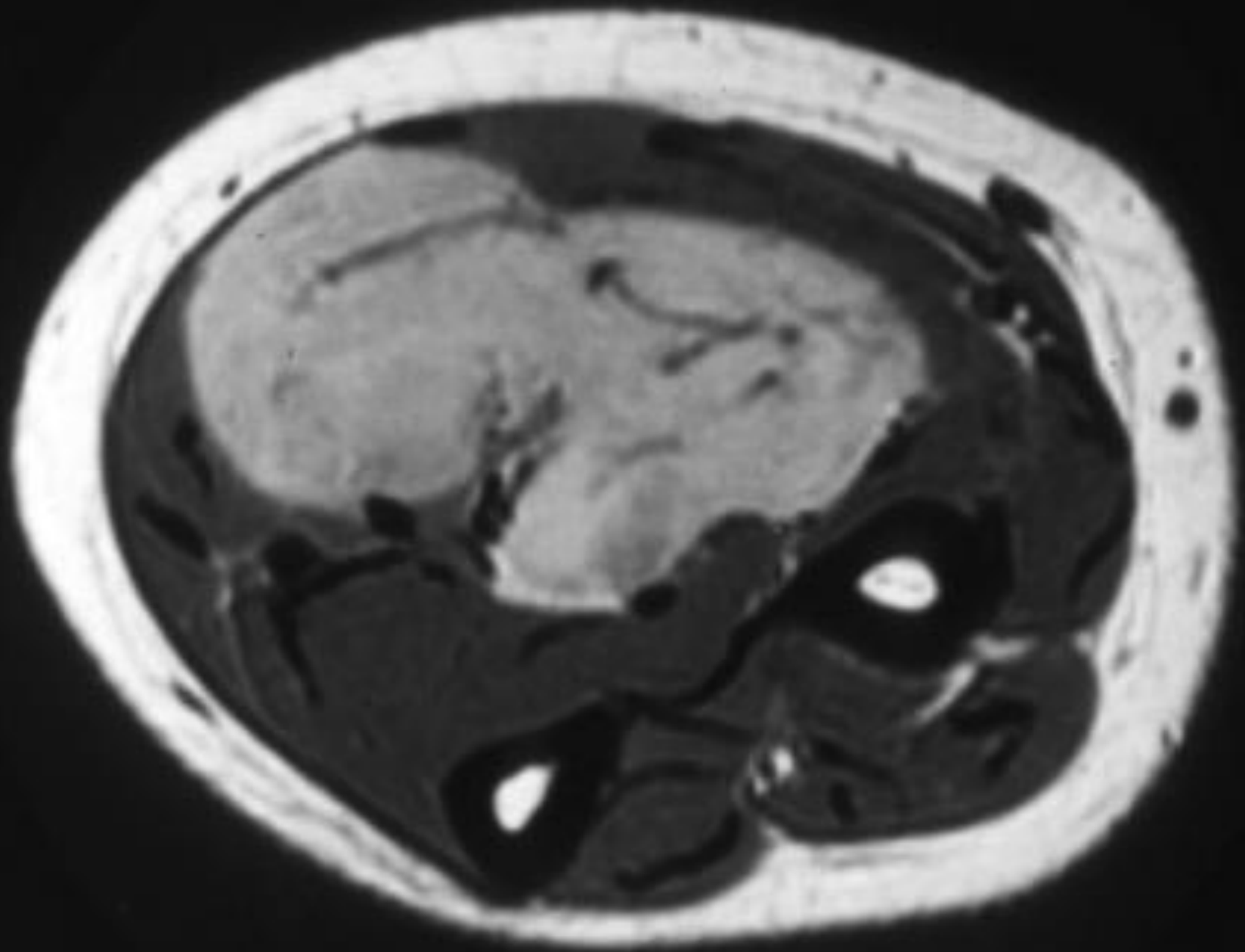
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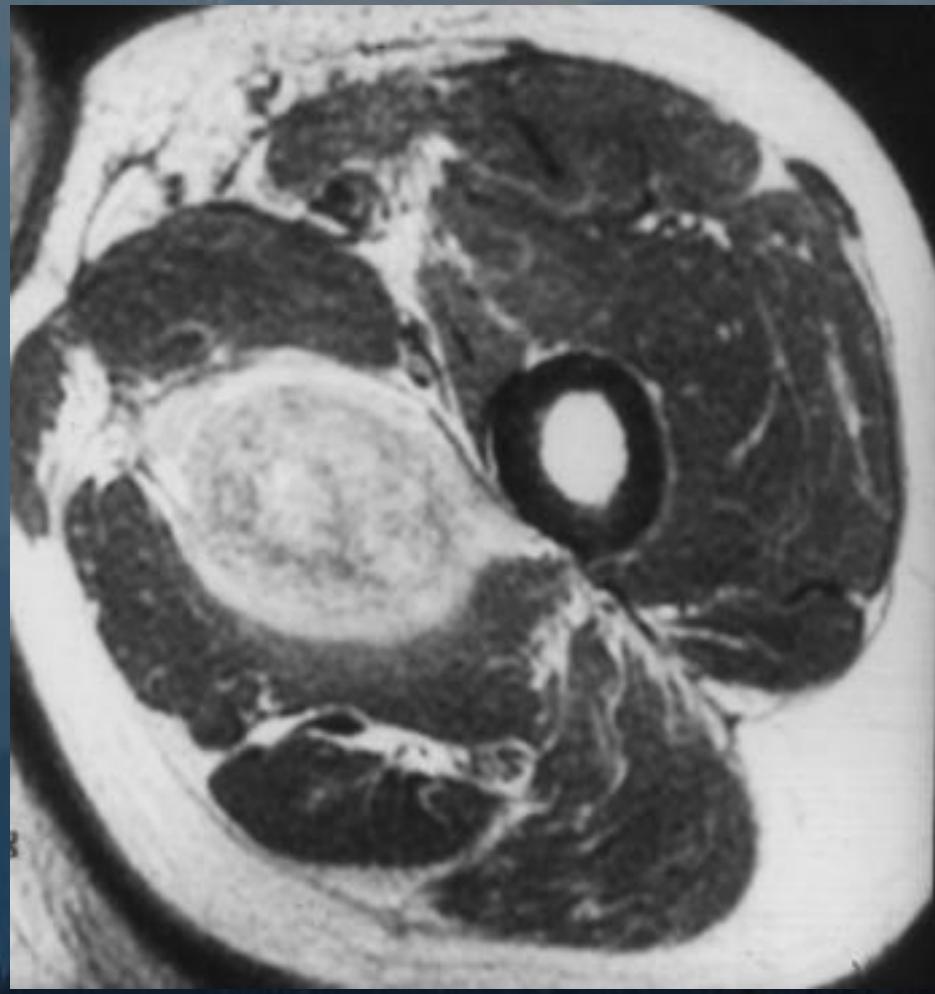
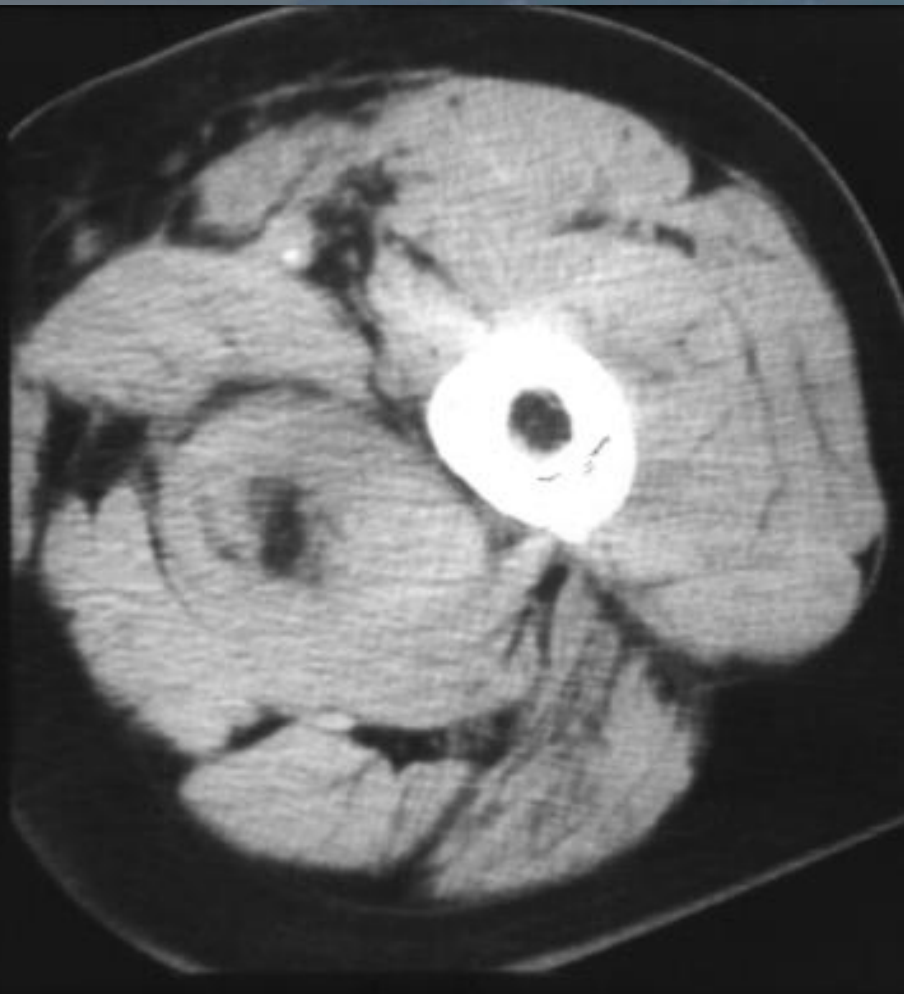


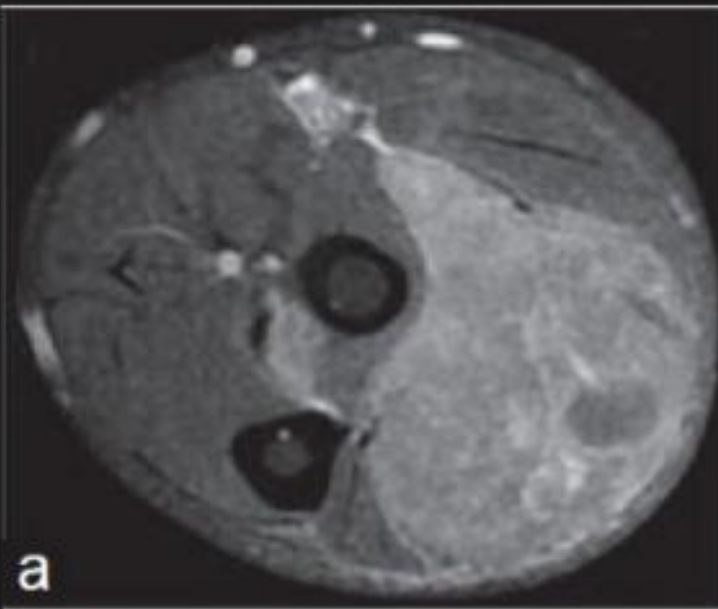
SOFT TISSUE SARCOMA MRI

Magnetic Resonance Imaging

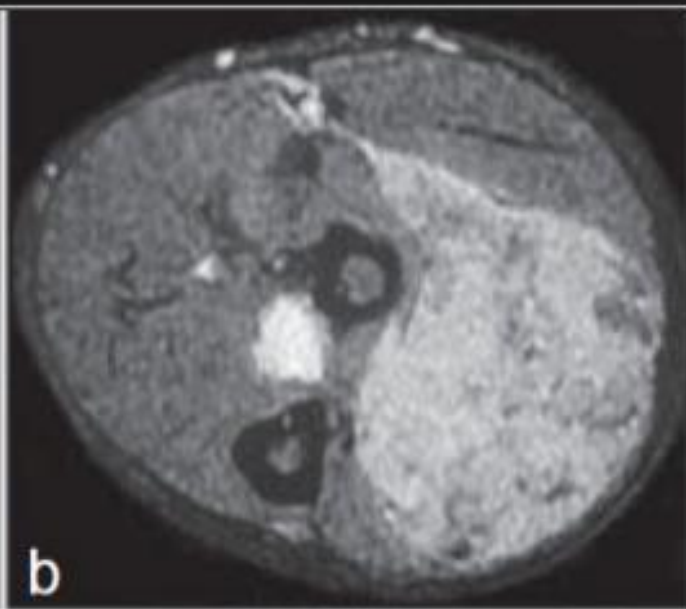
- Multiplanar, high resolution image allows for accurate depth, size, consistency, proximity to structures determination
- Regional lymph nodes easily included
- Efficacy of neoadjuvant treatment can be inferred
- Imaging modality of choice for soft tissue sarcomas







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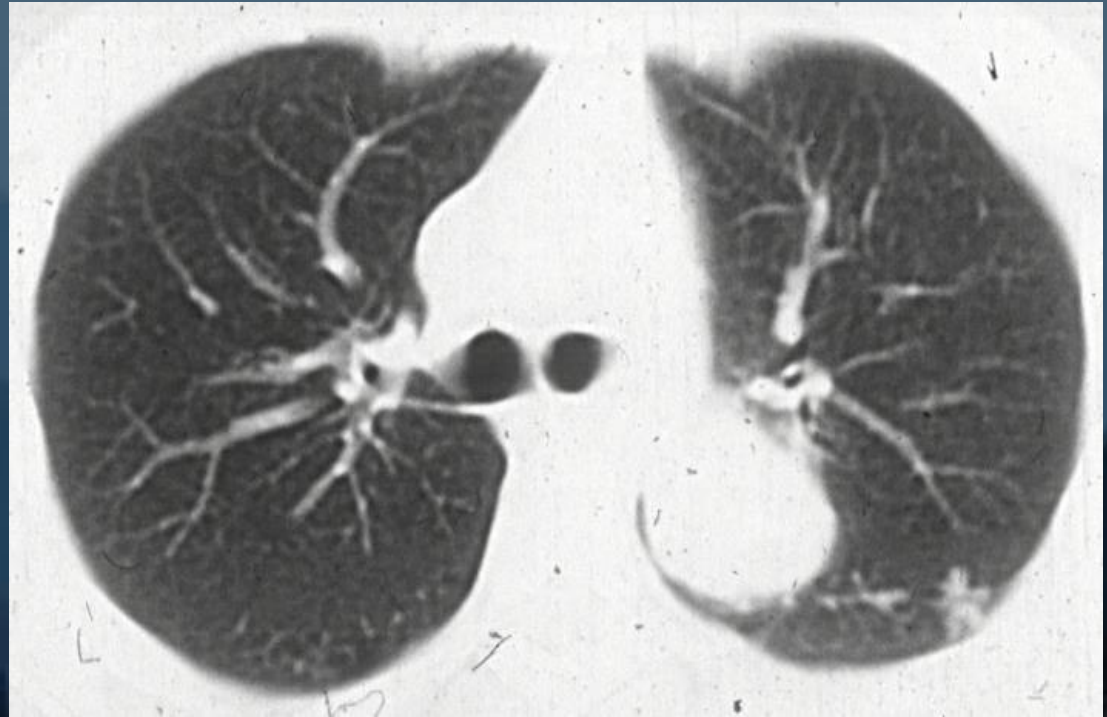
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SOFT TISSUE SARCOMA

Soft Tissue Mass

**Large (>5 cm)
Deep, Firm, Solid**

**Small (<5 cm)
Superficial, Soft, Cyst**

**Possible
Sarcoma**

Clinical Evaluation

**Probably
Benign**

Radiographs

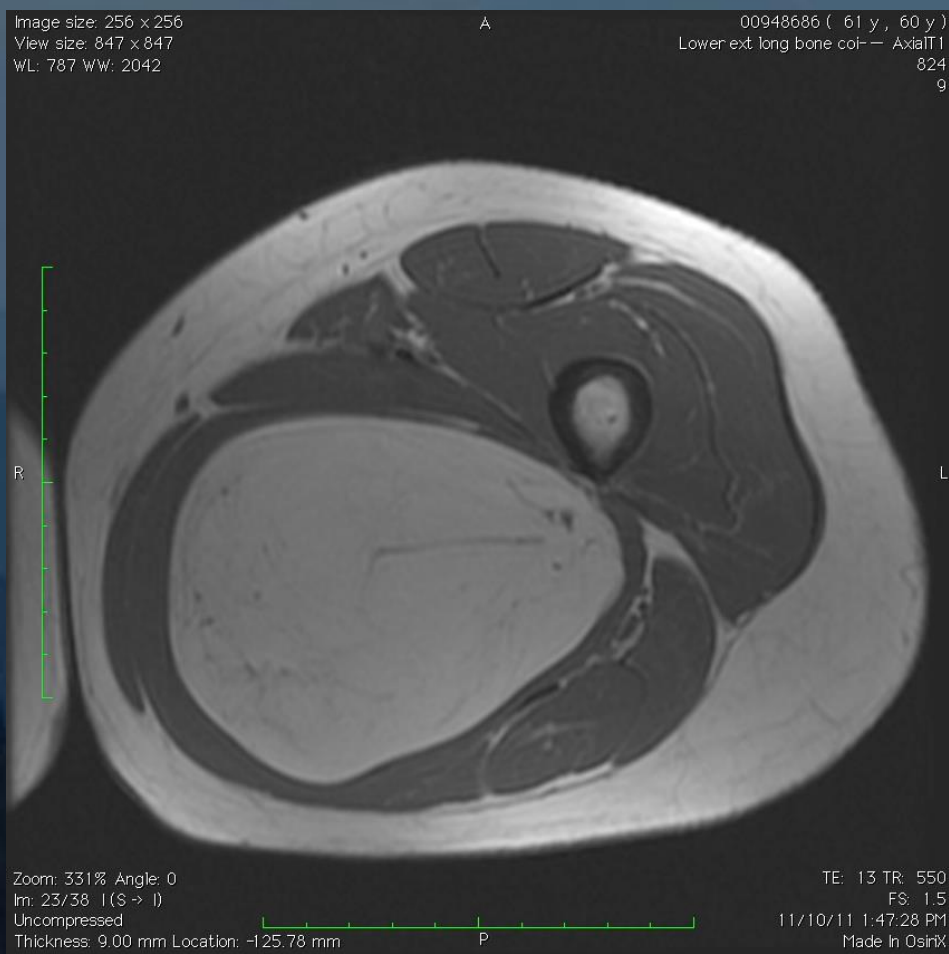
Ultrasound

Observation

MRI

Biopsy

Fatty Tumors



Work-up of Tumors - Biopsy

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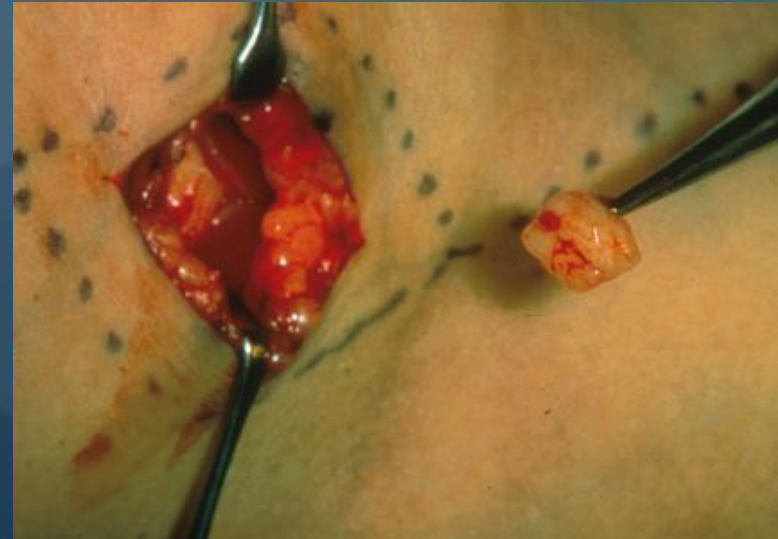
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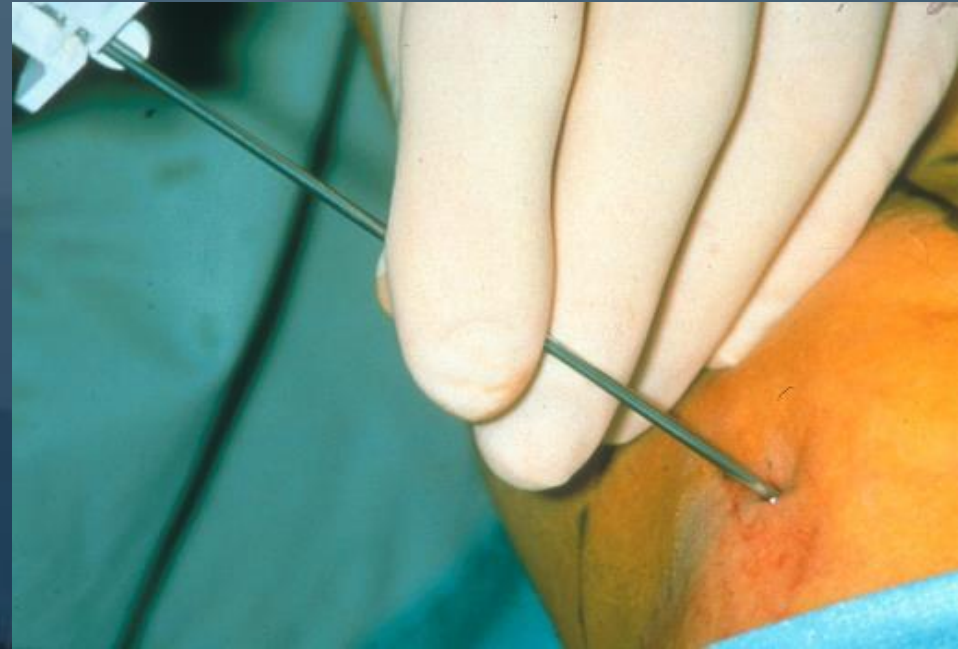
Goal of a Biopsy:

- Obtain sufficient tissue from lesion to make diagnosis
- Contaminate as little normal tissue as possible
- When contamination cannot be avoided, contaminate the least important local tissues.



Biopsy Options: Core Needle Biopsy

- Advantages
 - Safe
 - 85-90% correct
 - effective
 - good reliability
 - cost effective



Beauchamp et al. AAOS, 1989.

Skzinski et al. JBJS(Am),
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Open Biopsy Principles:

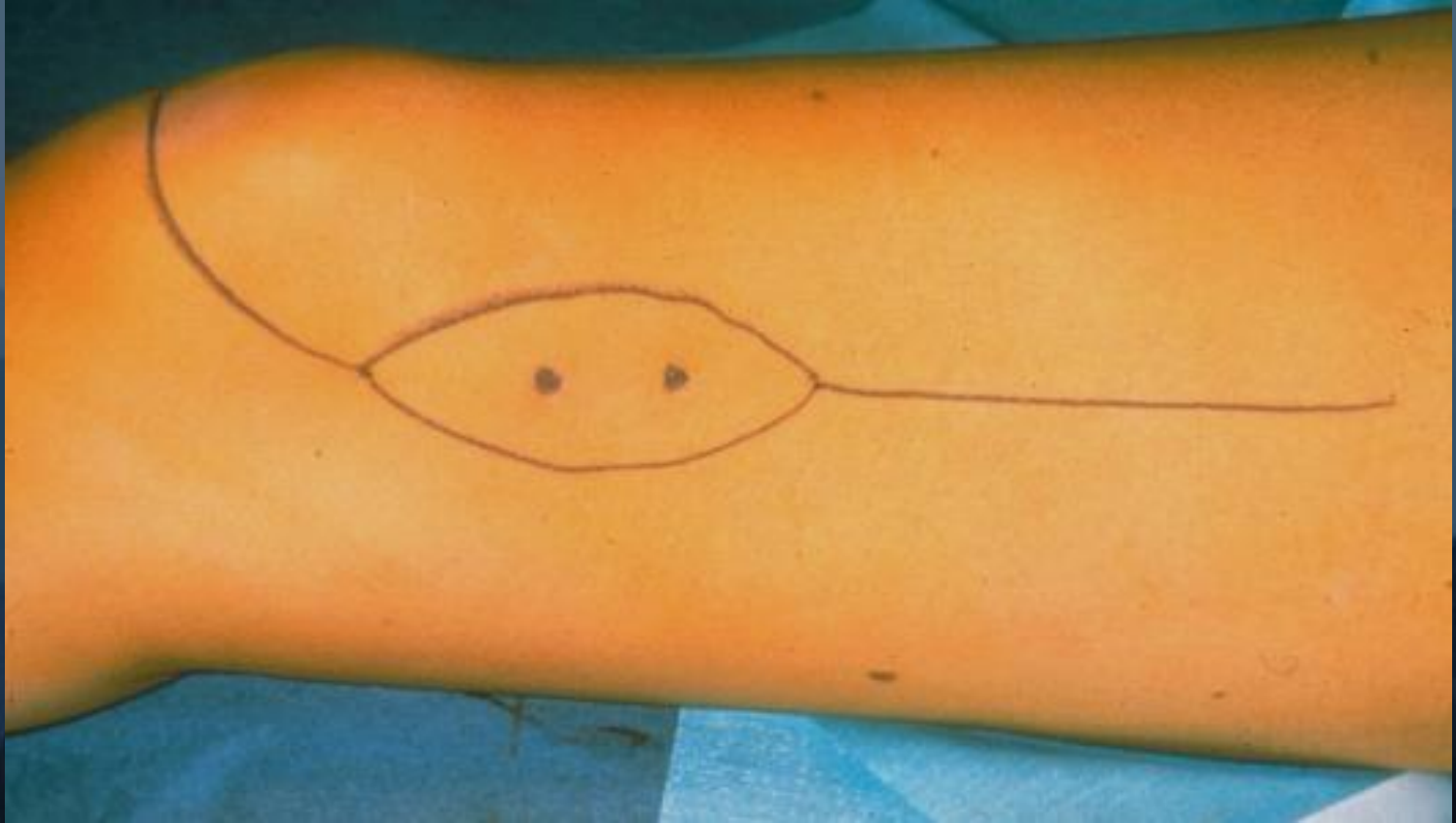
- Longitudinal incision
- Place biopsy in line with incision for definitive procedure
- Direct approach, avoid contamination
- Sample representative portion of tumor
- Meticulous hemostasis
- Drains if required in line with incision

STOP

Bone Biopsy Principles: Surgical Technique

- Oval bone window
- Use bone cement to plug
- Hemostasis

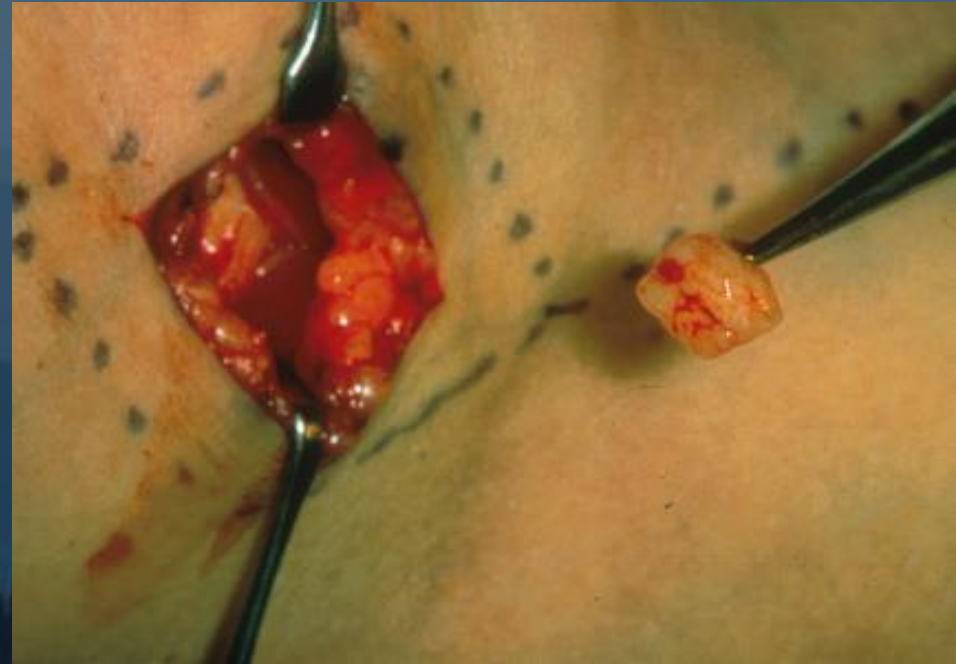
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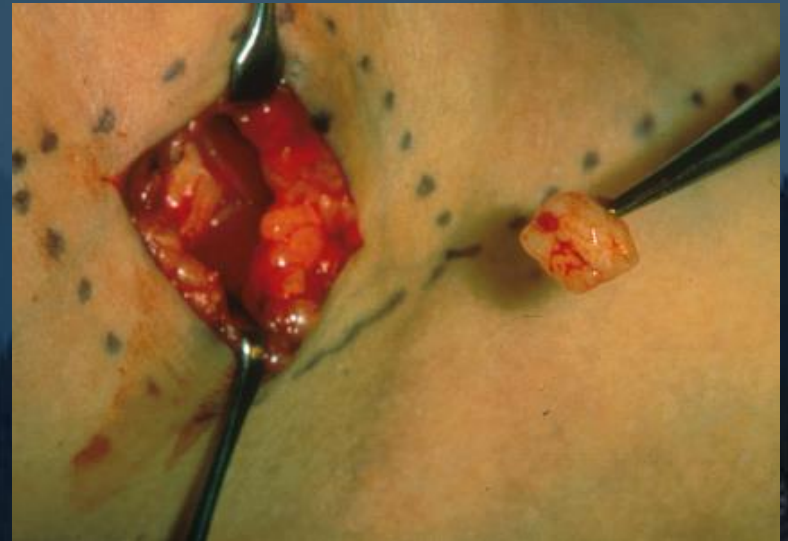
Open biopsy

- Advantages
 - Adequate tissue sampling for diagnosis
 - Tissue for studies or research protocols



Biopsy options: Open biopsy

- Disadvantages
 - Problems with incision placement
 - Problems with biopsy technique
 - Not cost effective
 - Req anesthetic









MSTS Study: 1982

The Hazards of Biopsy

- Review 329 malignant primary bone/soft tissue tumors

	Referring inst	Treating inst
Error in Dx.....	43 (30.1%)	17 (19.1%)
Biopsy error.....	28 (19.6%)	6 (3.2%)
Plans altered due to biopsy.....	45 (31.5%)	15 (8.1%)
Change in outcome due to error..	19 (13.3%)	9 (4.8%)

MSTS Study: 1996

The Hazards of Biopsy

	<u>1982</u>	<u>1996</u>
# of patients.....	329	597
Error in diagnosis.....	19%	17.8%
Change plan (surg/chemo/rad)	18%	19.3%
Change outcome (fnctn/surv)	8.5%	10%
Unnecessary amputations	15	18

Error in Biopsy: Why?

Lesion assumed to be:

...benign

...metastatic

...a hematoma

...a lipoma

**Path fx, presumed met
MFH of bone, hip disartic**



Error in Biopsy: Why?

- No preop images
 - “It needs to come out anyway”
 - “The fracture needs to be fixed anyway”
 - “We can remove that lump for you at same time”

Error in Biopsy: Why?

- Not referred to trained specialists
- Inadequate communication between physicians and/or specialists

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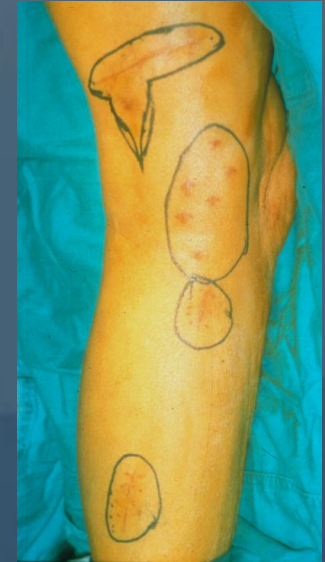
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Thank You



A scenic view of a mountain range with a dense forest in the foreground. The mountains are layered, creating a sense of depth. The foreground is filled with dark green evergreen trees. The sky is a pale, hazy blue.

Thank You!