

Dermatopathology Differential Diagnosis Cords and Tubules

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Must Know Diseases

Disease	Differentiating Traits
Desmoplastic trichoepithelioma	Horn cysts, no clear cells, circular areas of epithelium surround keratin
Metastatic breast carcinoma	Single filing of atypical cells , deeply infiltrative
Microcystic adnexal carcinoma	Syringoma-like tadpole structures but deeply infiltrative
Morpheaform basal cell carcinoma	Basaloid cells with hints of peripheal palisading, new collagen forming around islands, deeply infiltrative
Syringoma	Superficial tadpoles with clear cells

Rarer Diseases

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