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Geospatial immune variability illuminates differential evolution of lung adenocarcinoma

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Title and abstract DONE	1	(a) Indicate the study’s design with a commonly used term in the title or the abstract (b) Provide in the abstract an informative and balanced summary of what was done and what was found
Introduction		
Background/rationale DONE	2	Explain the scientific background and rationale for the investigation being reported
Objectives DONE	3	State specific objectives, including any prespecified hypotheses
Methods		
Study design DONE	4	Present key elements of study design early in the paper
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Participants DONE - reporting summary	6	(a) Give the eligibility criteria, and the sources and methods of selection of participants. Describe methods of follow-up (b) For matched studies, give matching criteria and number of exposed and unexposed
Variables DONE	7	Clearly define all outcomes, exposures, predictors, potential confounders, and effect modifiers. Give diagnostic criteria, if applicable
Data sources/ measurement DONE	8*	For each variable of interest, give sources of data and details of methods of assessment (measurement). Describe comparability of assessment methods if there is more than one group
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Study size DONE – methods/Ext Fig 1	10	Explain how the study size was arrived at
Quantitative variables DONE	11	Explain how quantitative variables were handled in the analyses. If applicable, describe which groupings were chosen and why
Statistical methods DONE	12	(a) Describe all statistical methods, including those used to control for confounding (b) Describe any methods used to examine subgroups and interactions (c) Explain how missing data were addressed (d) If applicable, explain how loss to follow-up was addressed (e) Describe any sensitivity analyses
Results		
Participants DONE – CONSRT diagram in Ext Fig 1	13*	(a) Report numbers of individuals at each stage of study—eg numbers potentially eligible, examined for eligibility, confirmed eligible, included in the study, completing follow-up, and analysed (b) Give reasons for non-participation at each stage (c) Consider use of a flow diagram
Descriptive data	14*	(a) Give characteristics of study participants (eg demographic, clinical, social)

		and information on exposures and potential confounders
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		(c) Summarise follow-up time (eg, average and total amount)
Outcome data	15*	Report numbers of outcome events or summary measures over time
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Main results	16	(a) Give unadjusted estimates and, if applicable, confounder-adjusted estimates and their precision (eg, 95% confidence interval). Make clear which confounders were adjusted for and why they were included
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Other analyses	17	Report other analyses done—eg analyses of subgroups and interactions, and sensitivity analyses
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Discussion		
Key results	18	Summarise key results with reference to study objectives
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Interpretation	20	Give a cautious overall interpretation of results considering objectives, limitations, multiplicity of analyses, results from similar studies, and other relevant evidence
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Generalisability	21	Discuss the generalisability (external validity) of the study results
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Other information		
Funding	22	Give the source of funding and the role of the funders for the present study and, if applicable, for the original study on which the present article is based
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Comparison of tissue segmentation performance between deep learning and classic machine learning

We implemented the Micro-Net¹ algorithm for tissue segmentation which has been shown to perform accurate segmentation compared to the state-of-the-art algorithms. Due to complex structures in histology slides or weak staining, classic machine learning algorithms often fail and are problematic to tune. This problem can be more complex while segmenting sections without Eosin or cytoplasmic staining such as IHC-stained images due to weak contrast between the tissue region and the background glass.

As an independent comparison, we experimented classic methods such as threshold, active contours², watershed segmentation³ and Support Vector Machines (SVM) based method trained on local binary pattern features⁴ on 10 different images randomly selected from the TRACERx histology cohort (Supplementary Figures 1-20). Deep learning (MicroNet) outperformed all classic methods using various accuracy metrics as shown in Supplementary Table 6.

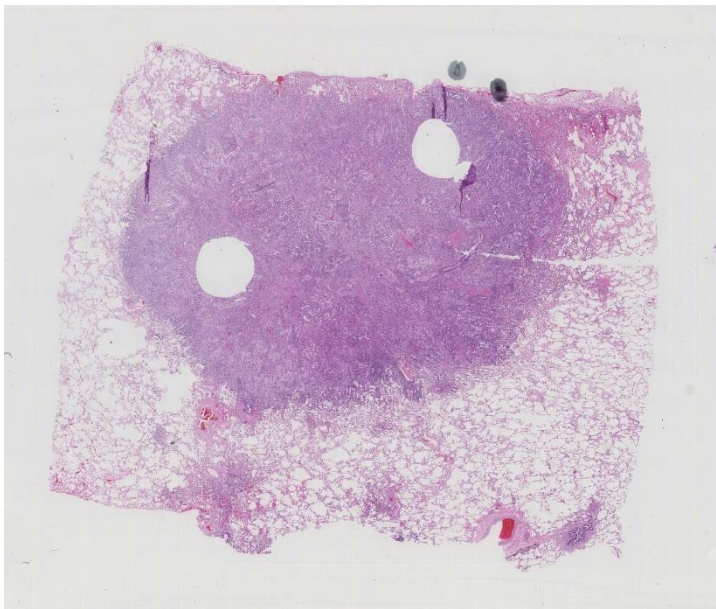
Supplementary Figure 10 demonstrates the effect of weaker staining on threshold and active contours algorithms, whereas MicroNet consistently performed better on all the images. The watershed algorithm segmented multiple regions in all images, with such variation, it was very hard to fine-tune the algorithm in order to merge all relevant tissue regions into a single segment. For SVM, the local binary patterns (LBP) features were extracted to segment the tissue regions, however, a major limitation can be observed in the form of discarding Eosin only areas, as shown on Supplementary Figure 9 and Supplementary Figure 21.

Supplementary Table 6: Quantitative comparison of tissue segmentation results for proposed (Micro-Net) vs classic machine learning.

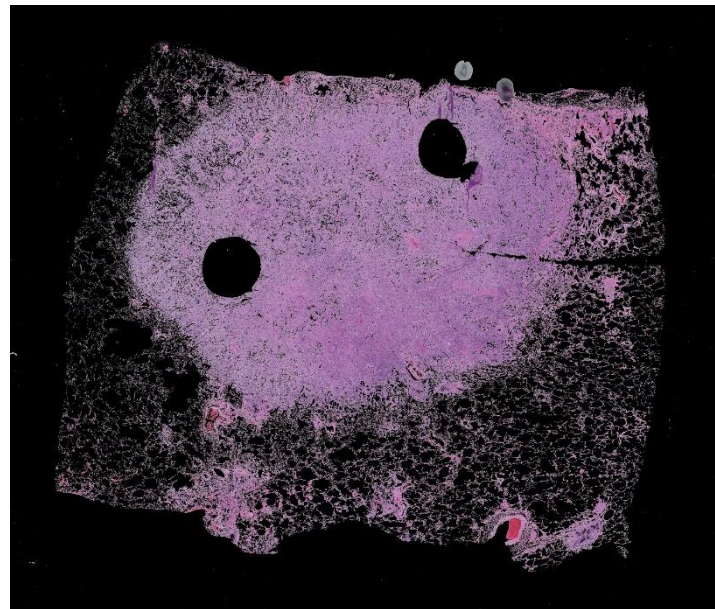
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Chan_Vese	0.598405502	0.469242029	0.667303606	0.000914946
SVM_LBP	0.917539751	0.915315159	0.910894913	0.749012437
MicroNet	0.961247872	0.955819821	0.964068566	0.773748864

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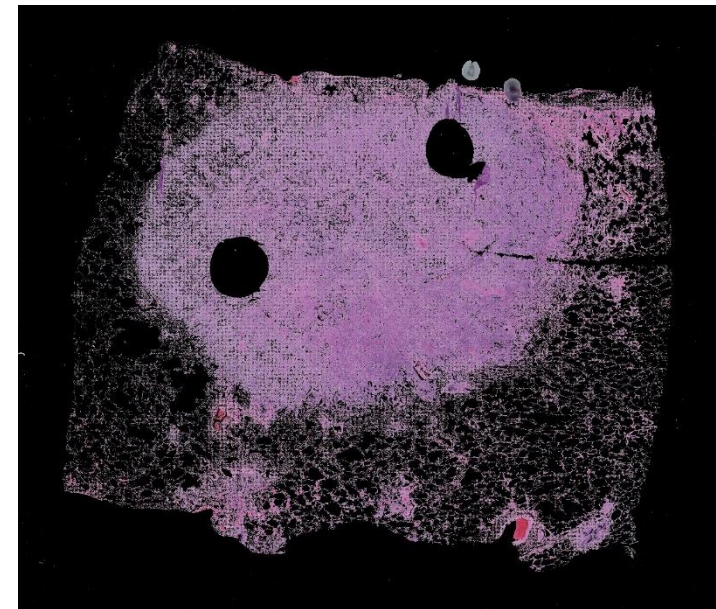
Supplementary Figures 1-20: comparison of H&E tissue segmentation across five different methods: MicroNet, threshold, active contours, watershed segmentation and SVM based method trained on local binary pattern features. Supplementary Figures 1-10 show the results for segmenting entire diagnostic slides and Supplementary Figures 11-20 show various zoomed-in examples.



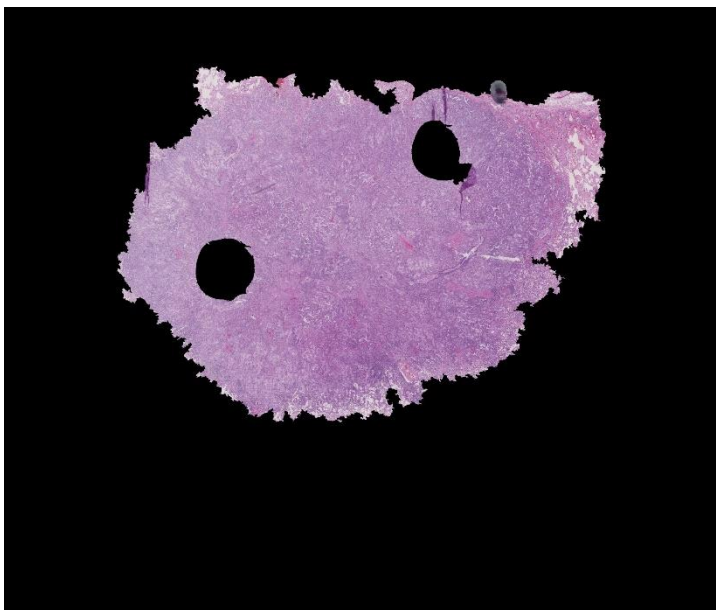
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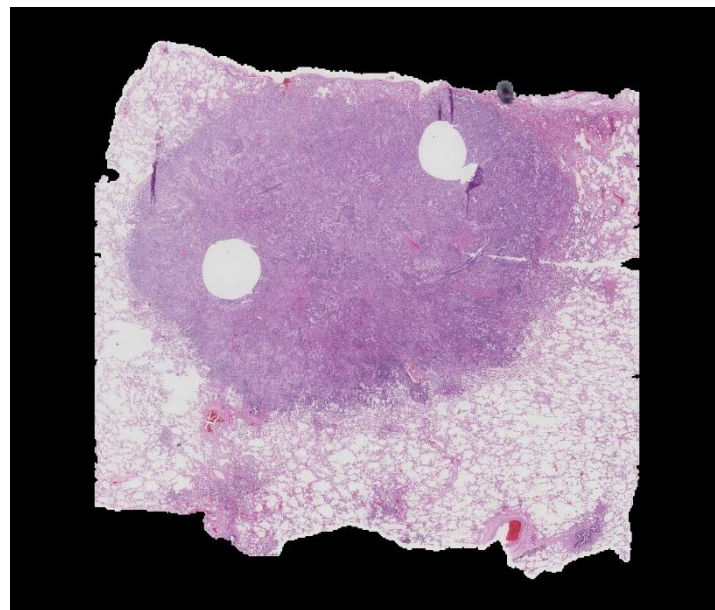
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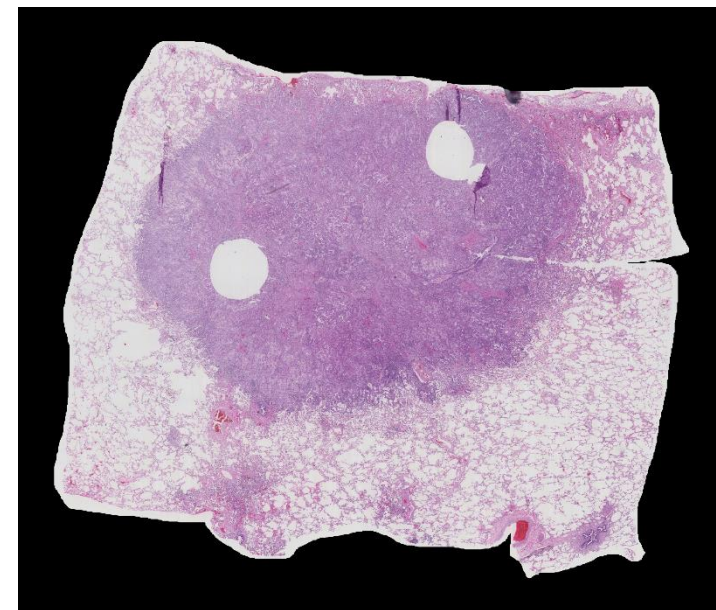
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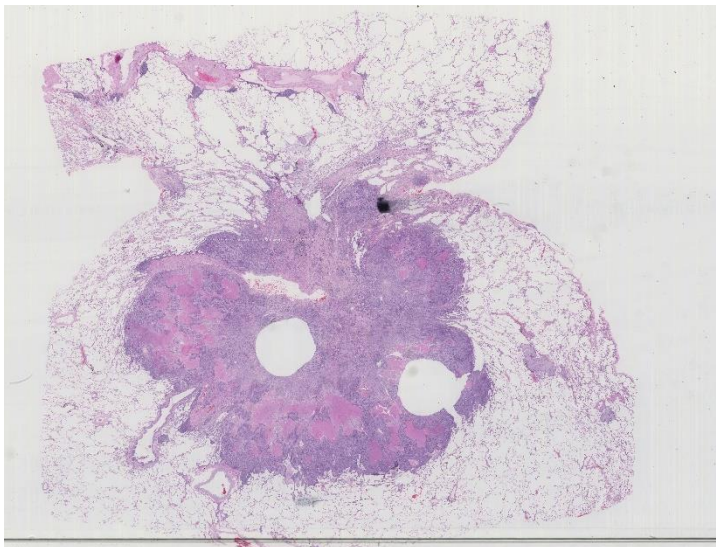
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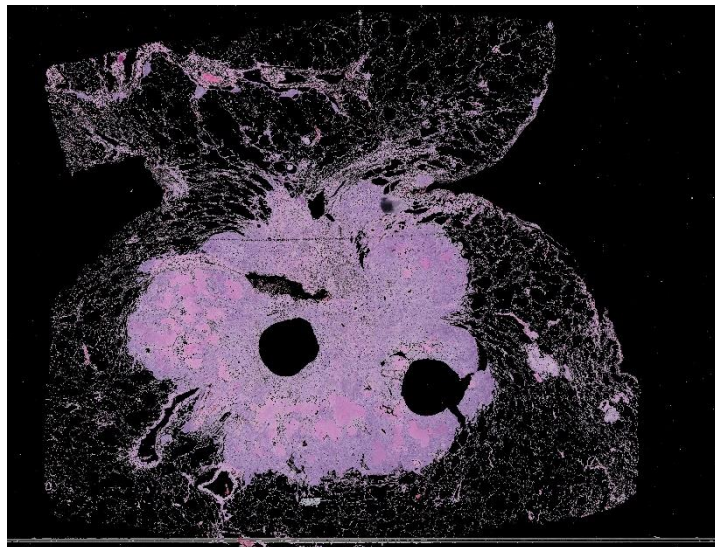
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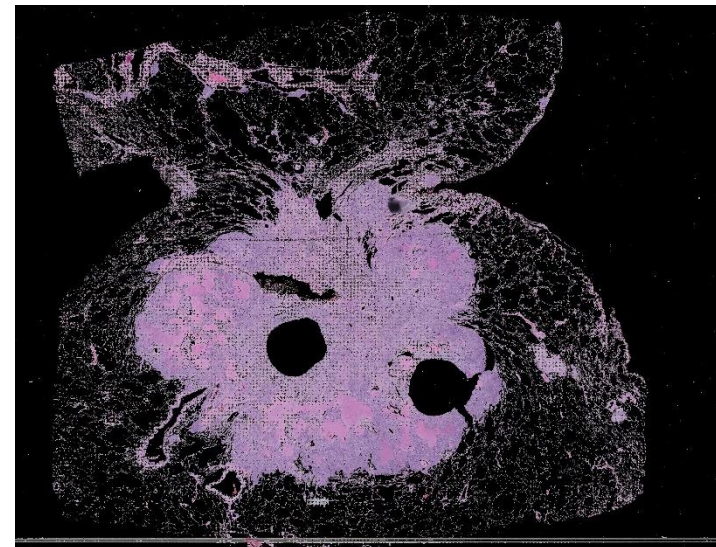
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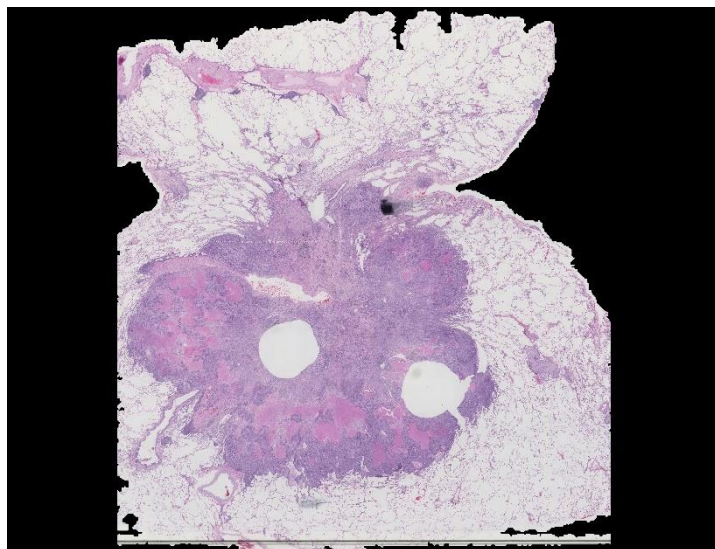
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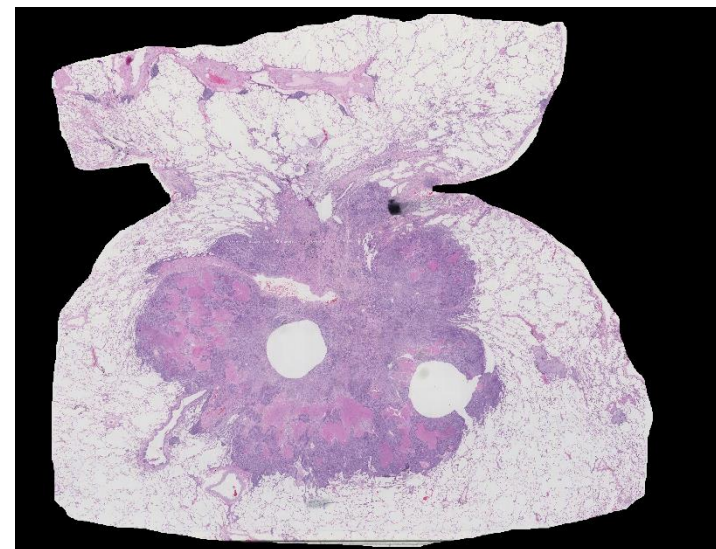
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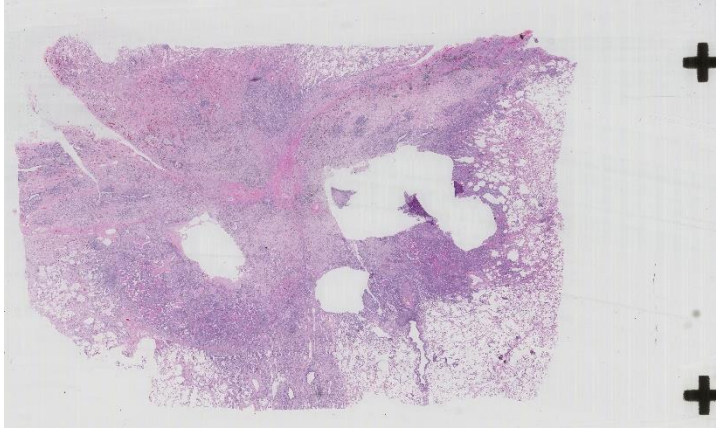
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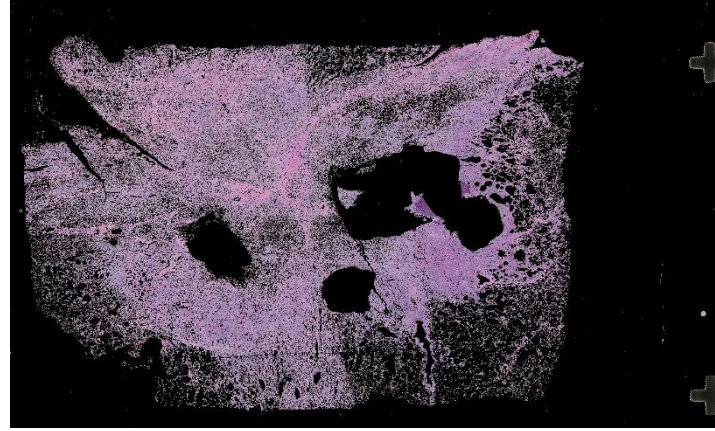
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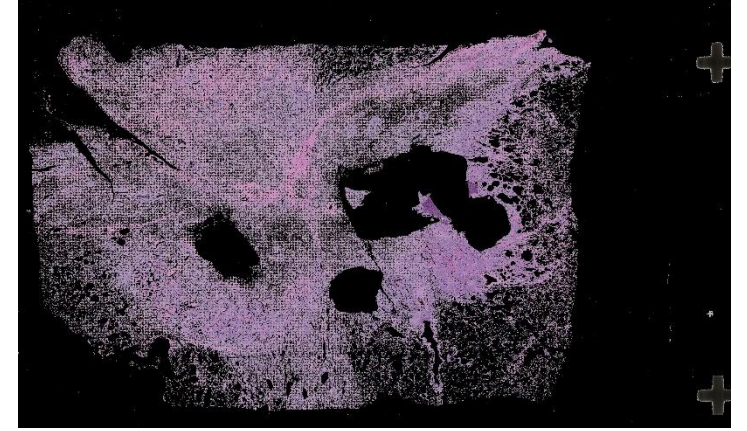
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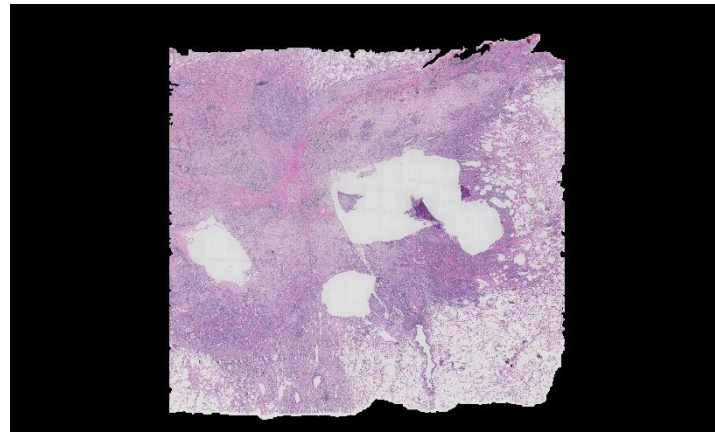
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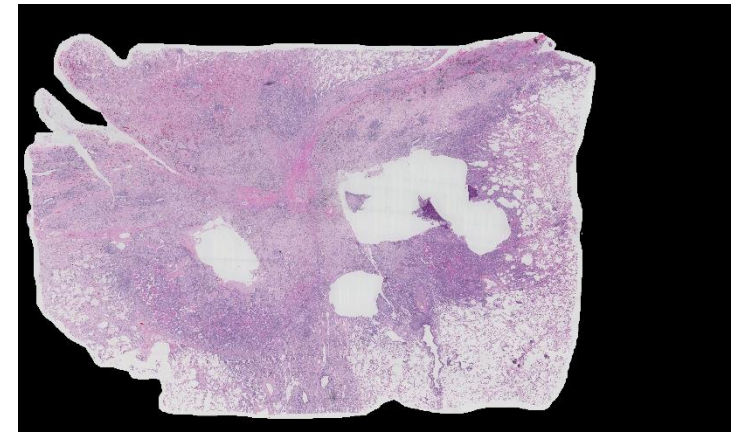
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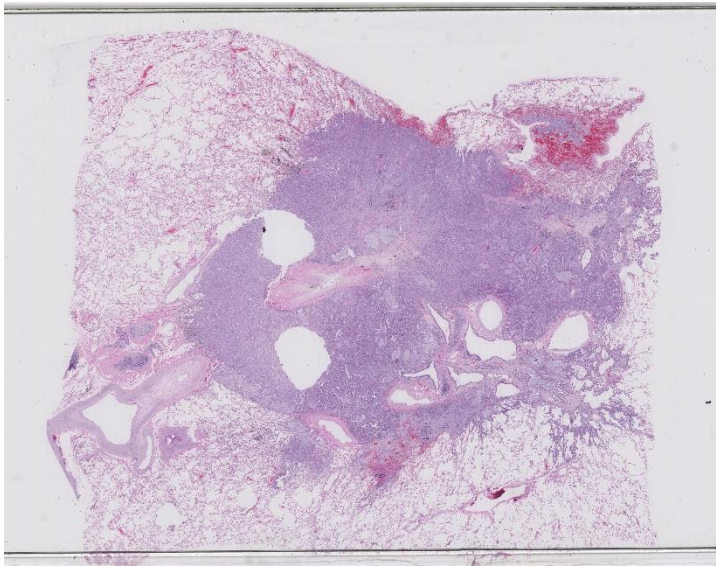
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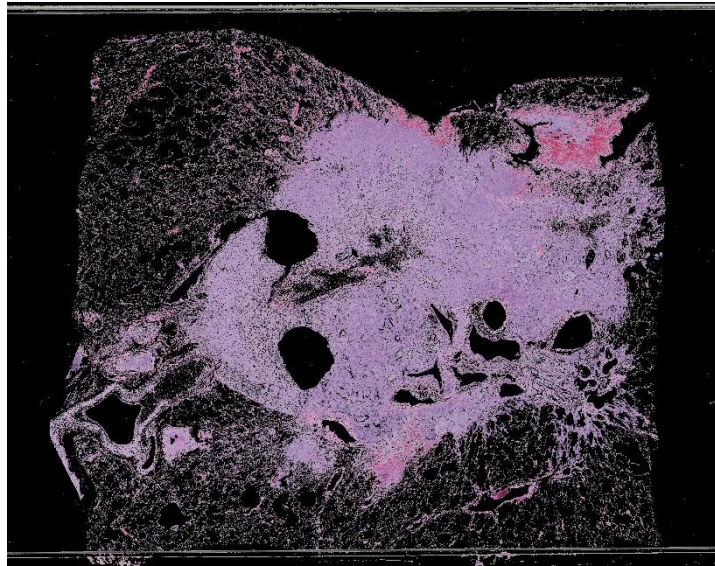
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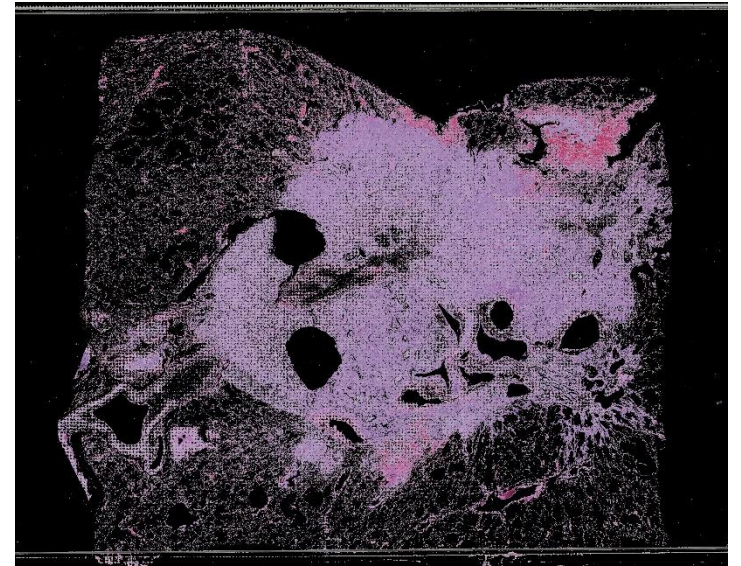
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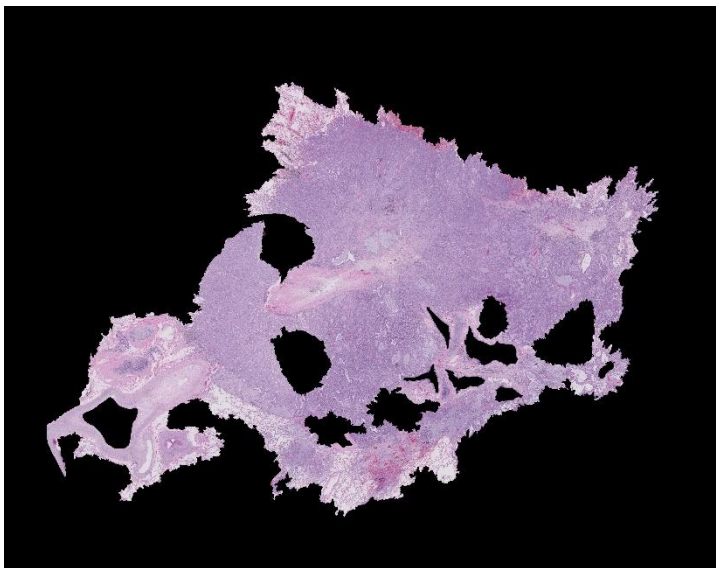
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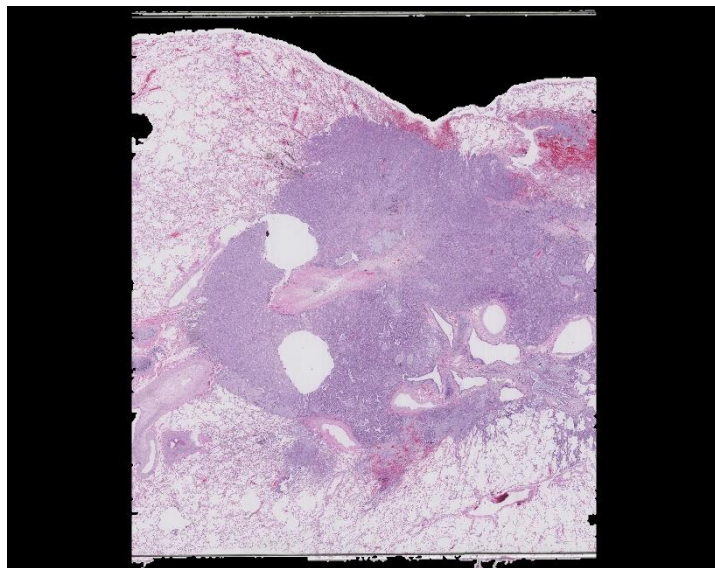
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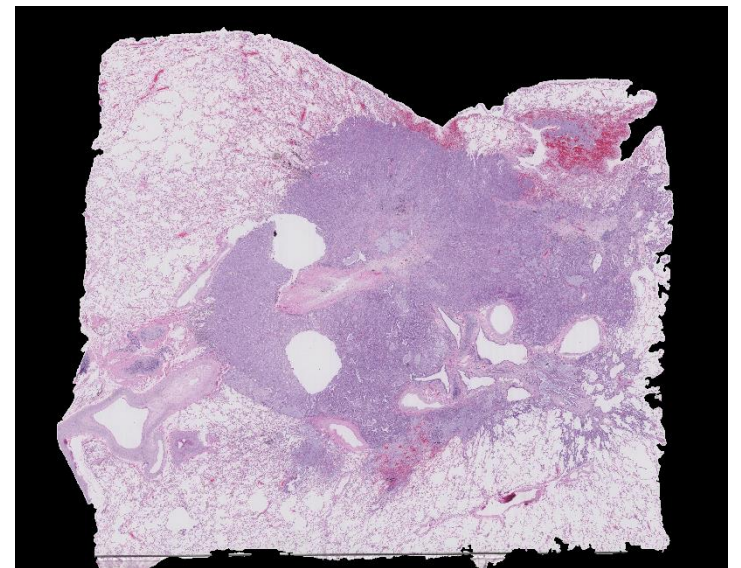
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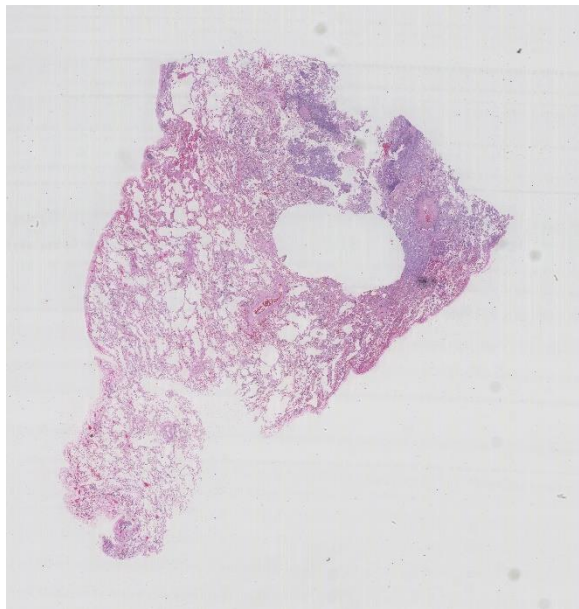
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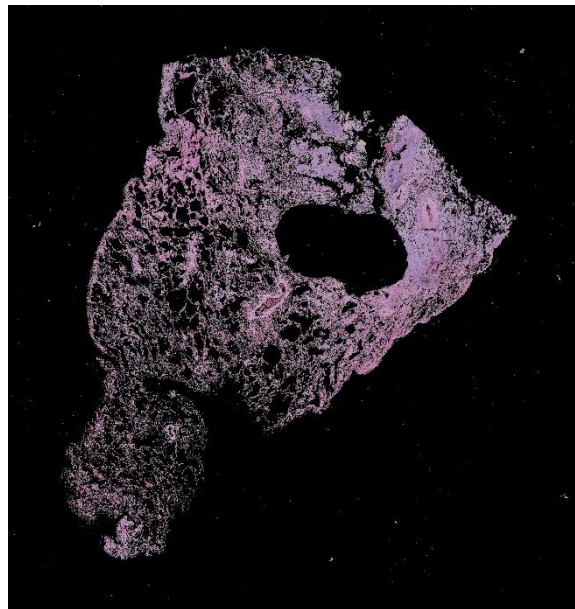
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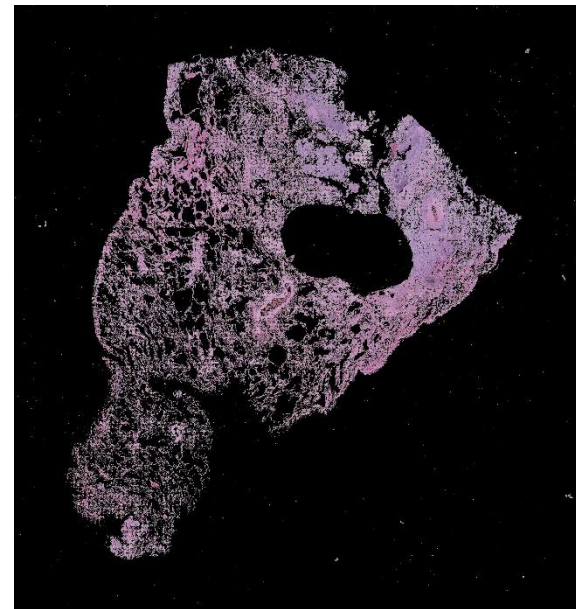
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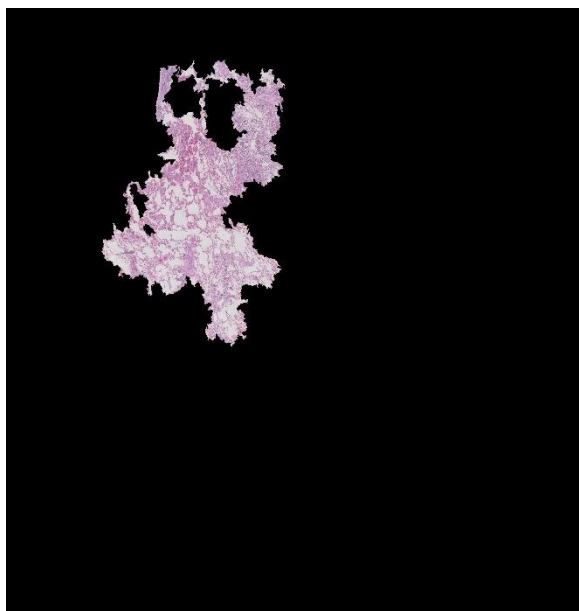
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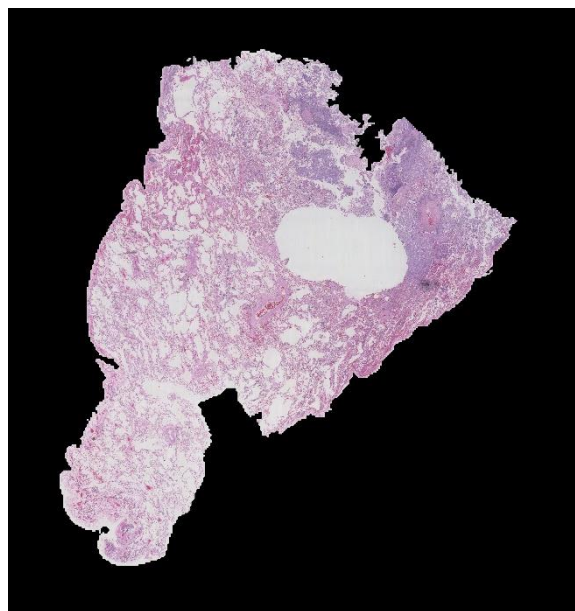
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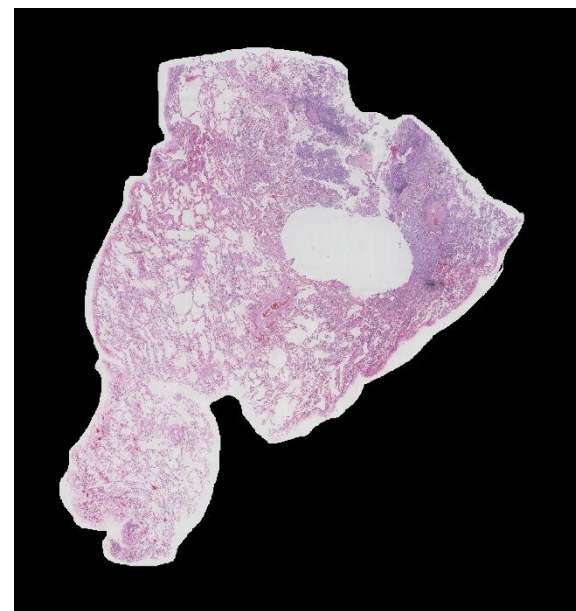
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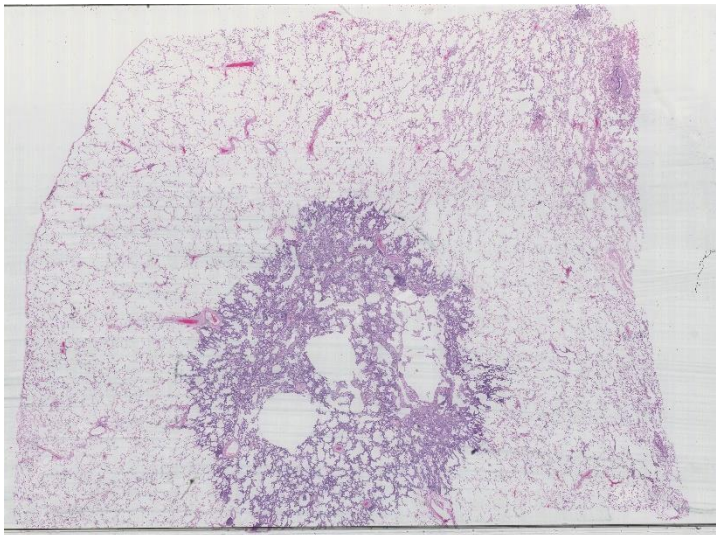
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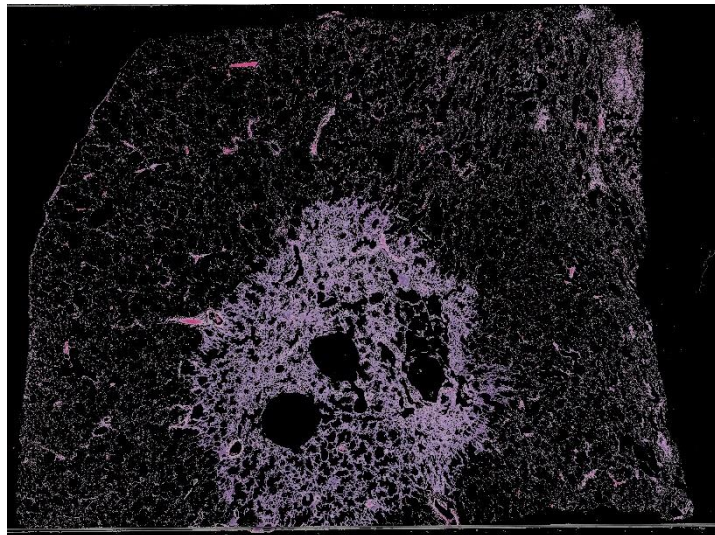
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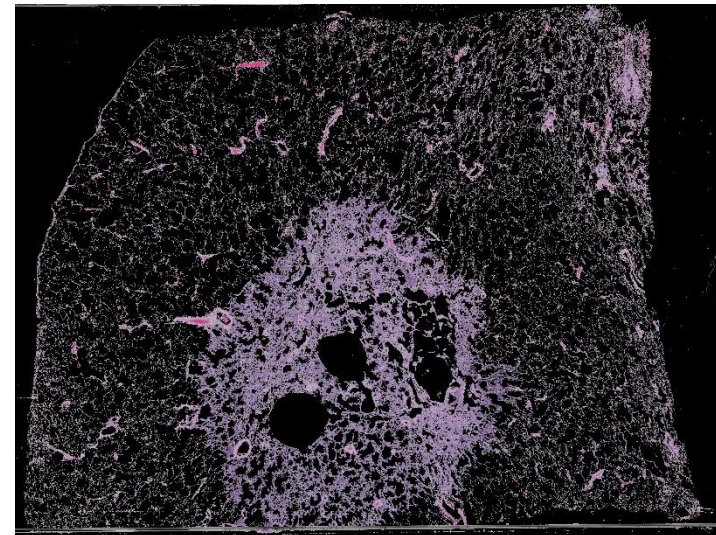
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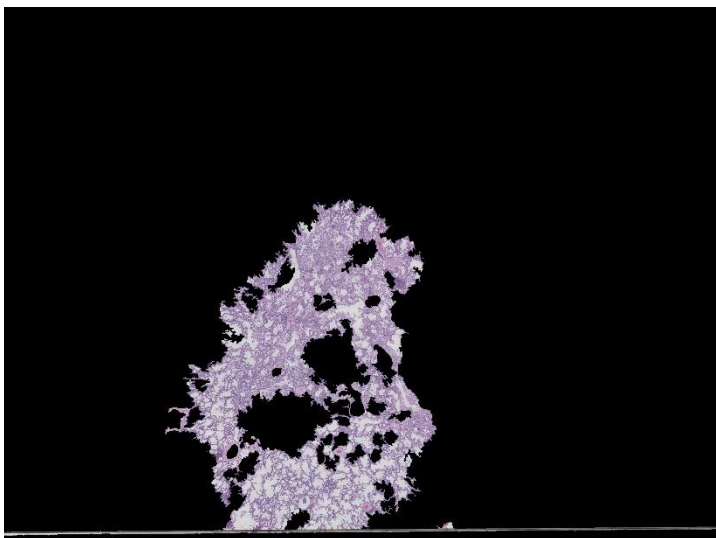
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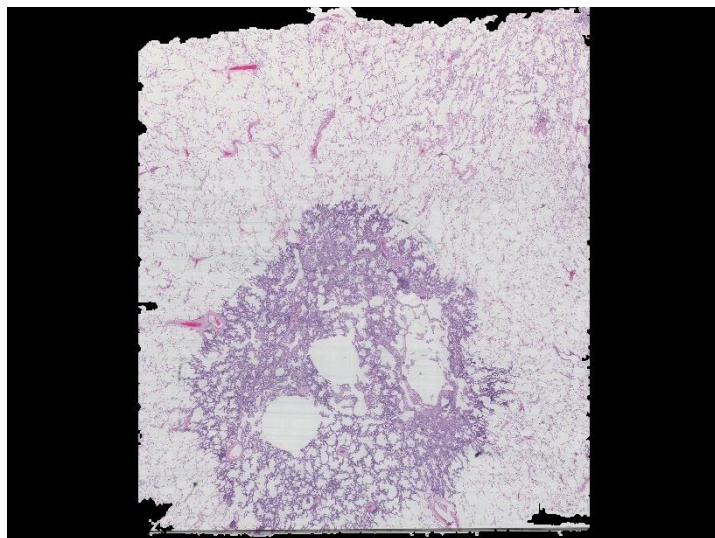
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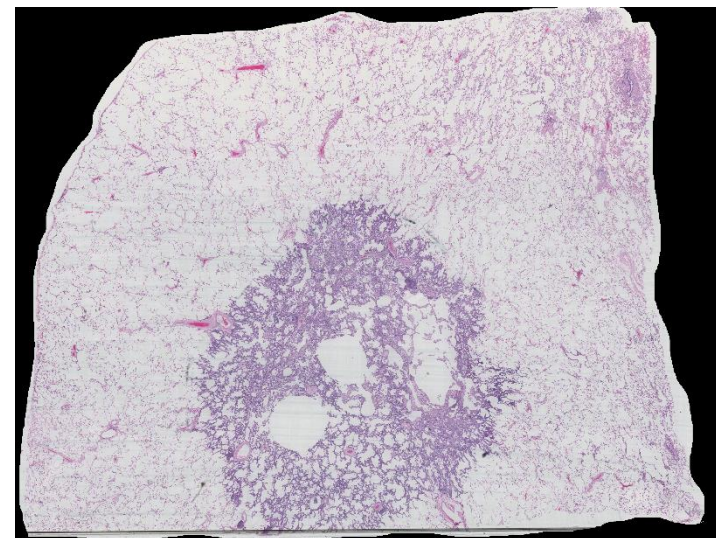
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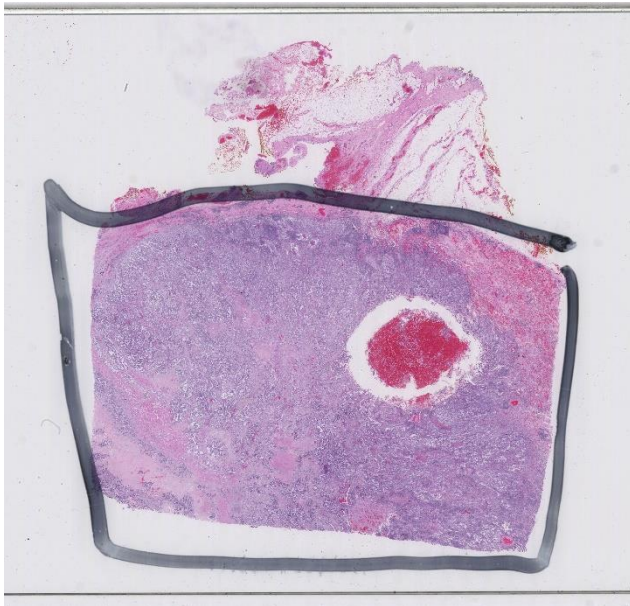
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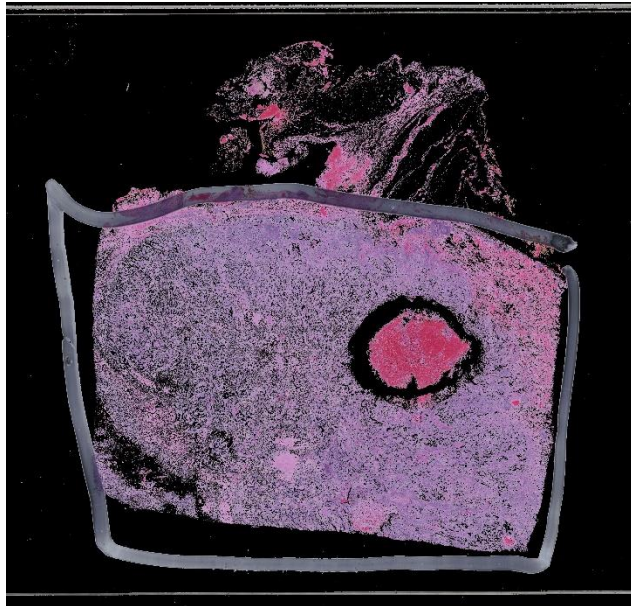
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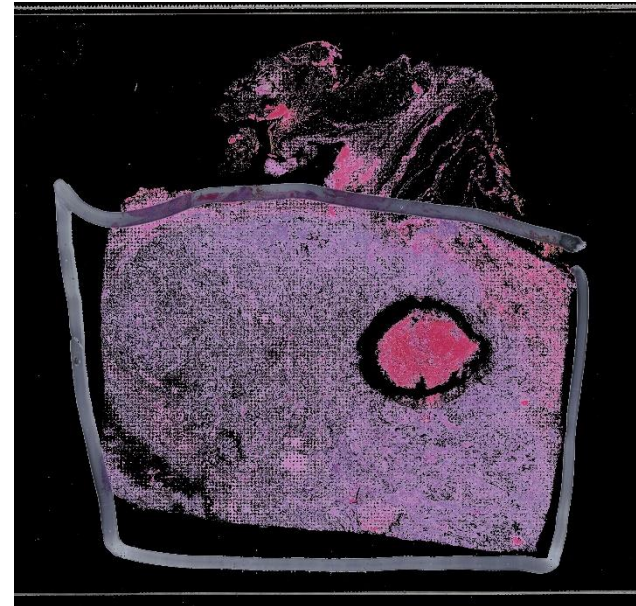
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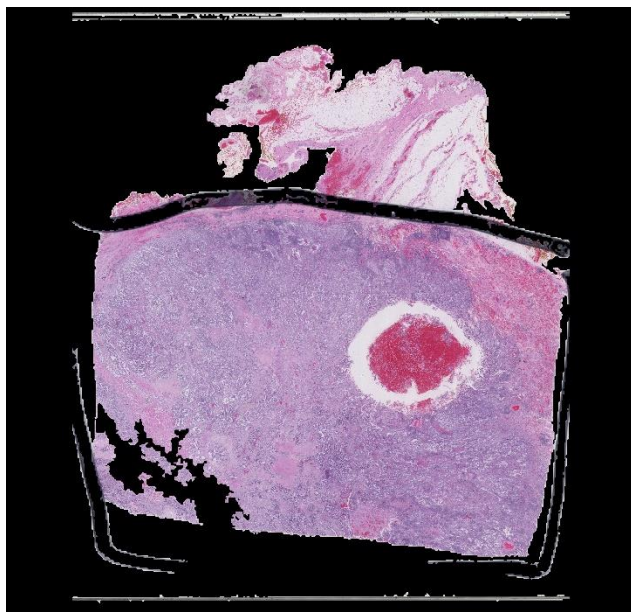
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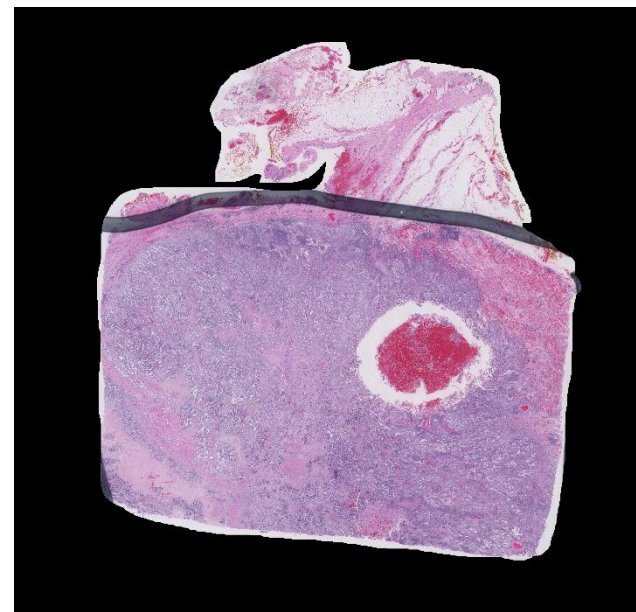
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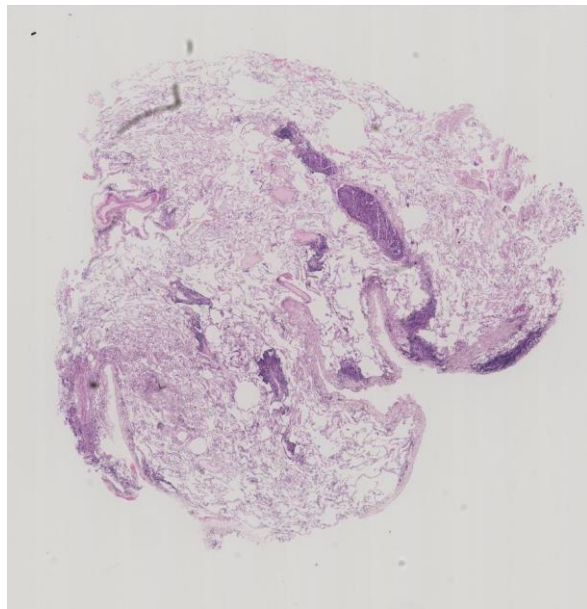
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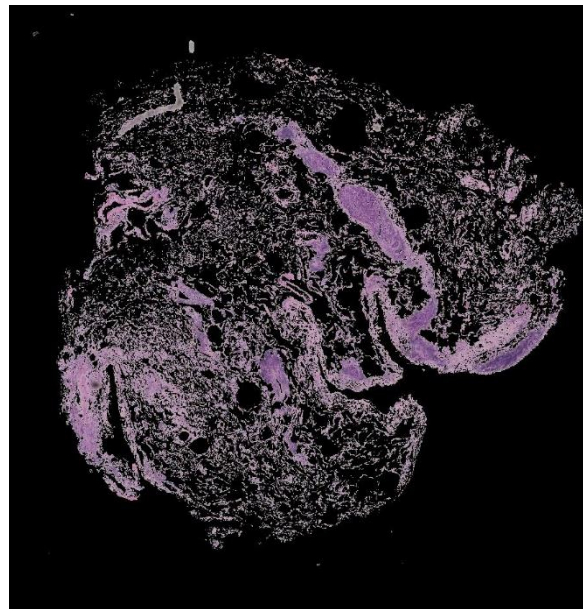
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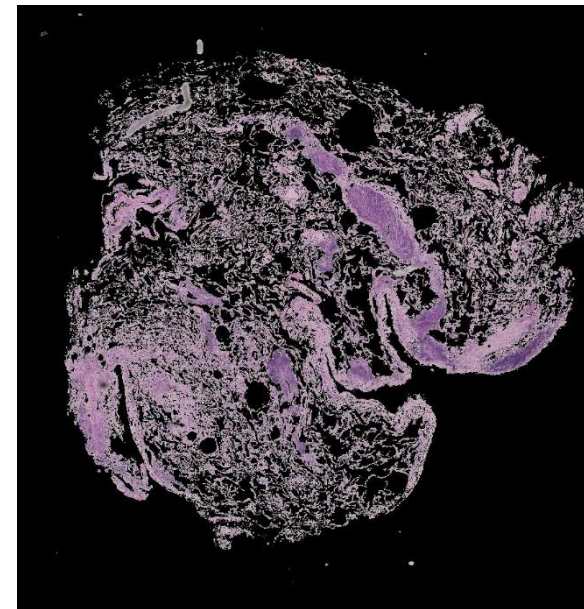
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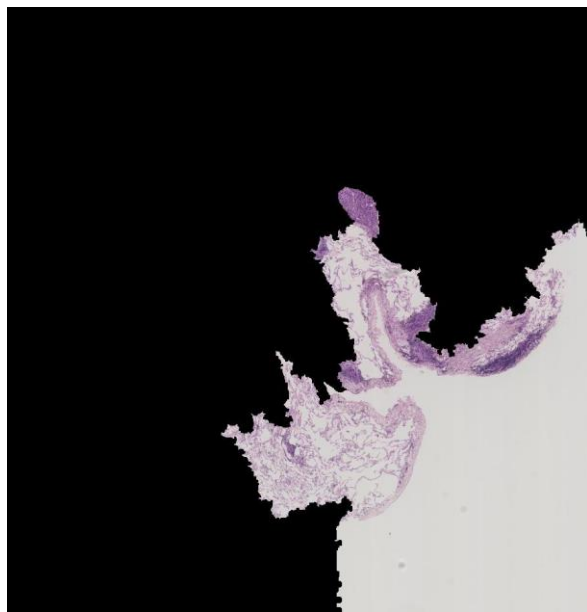
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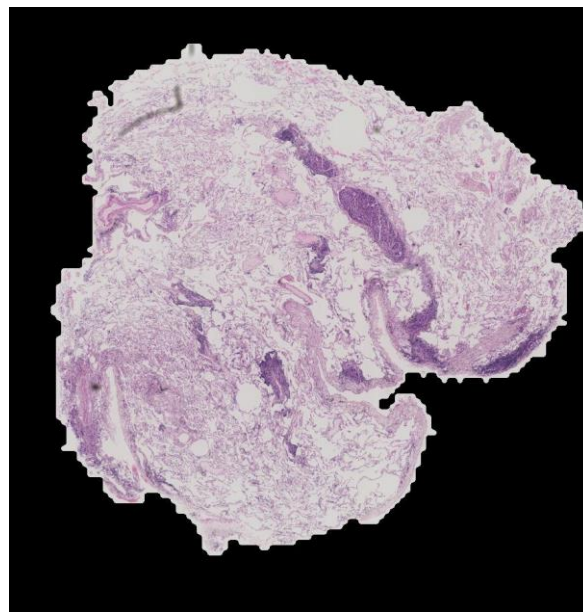
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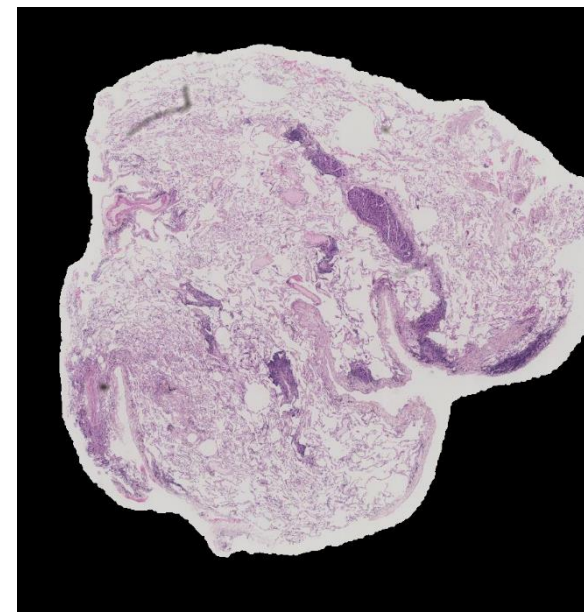
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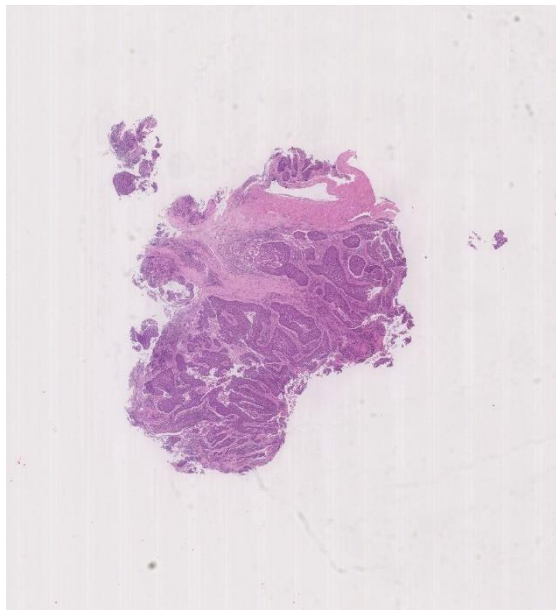
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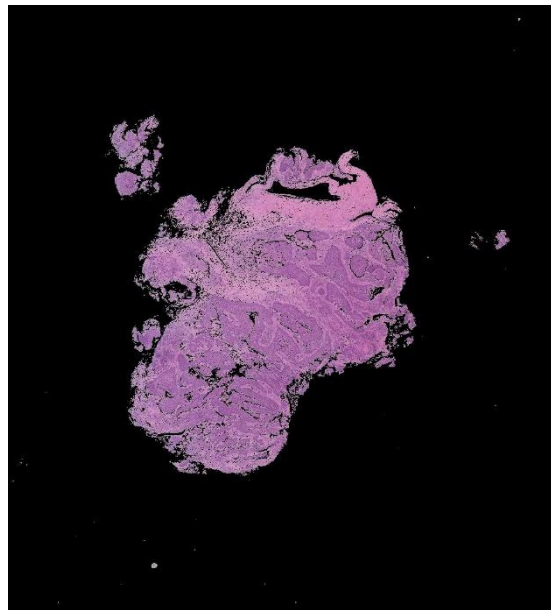
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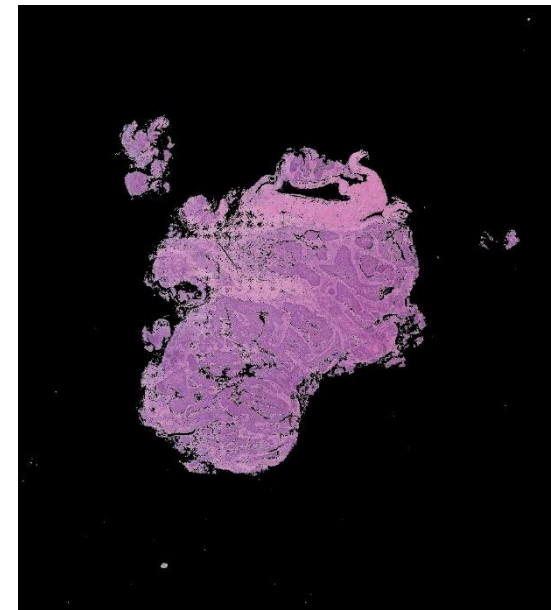
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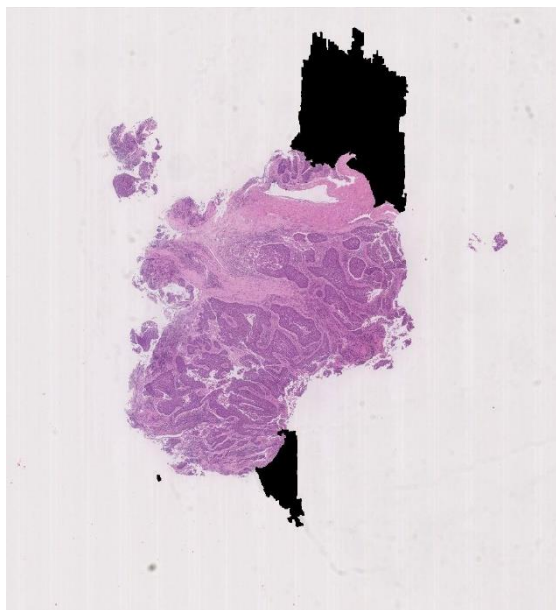
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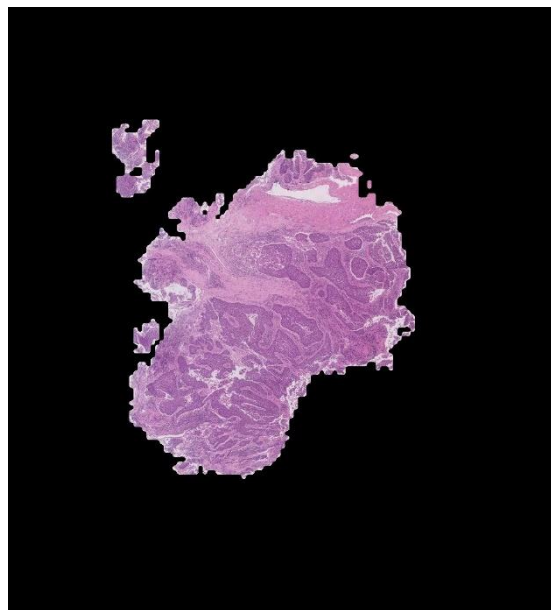
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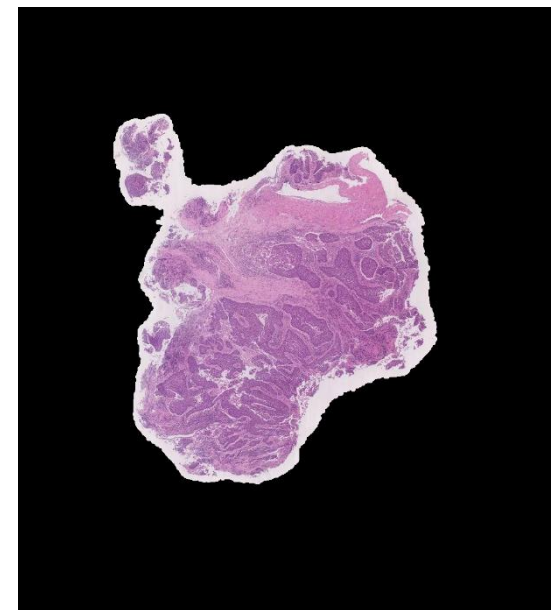
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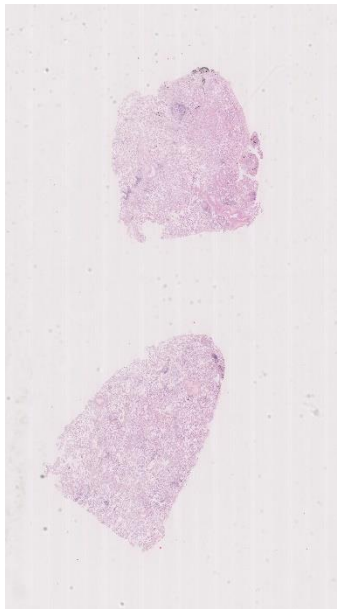
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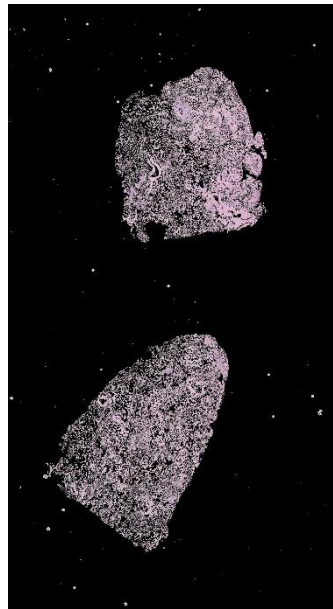
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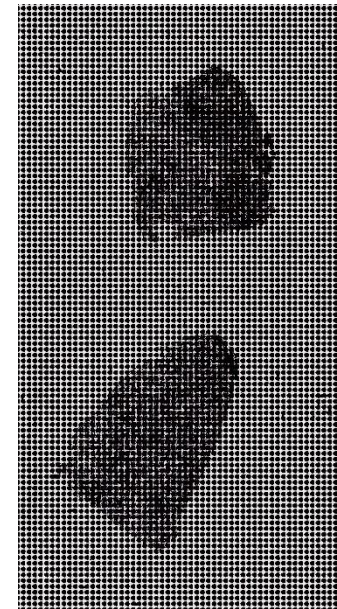
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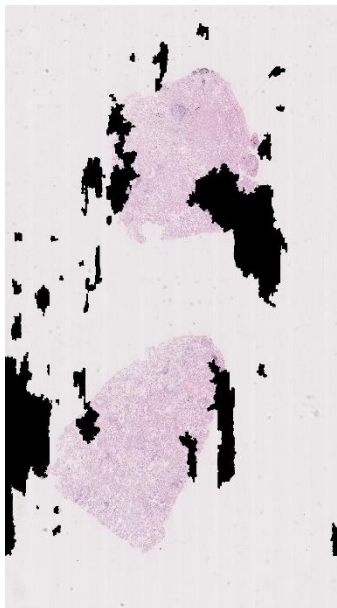
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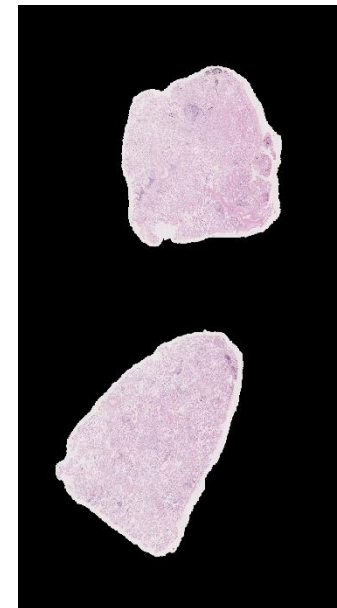
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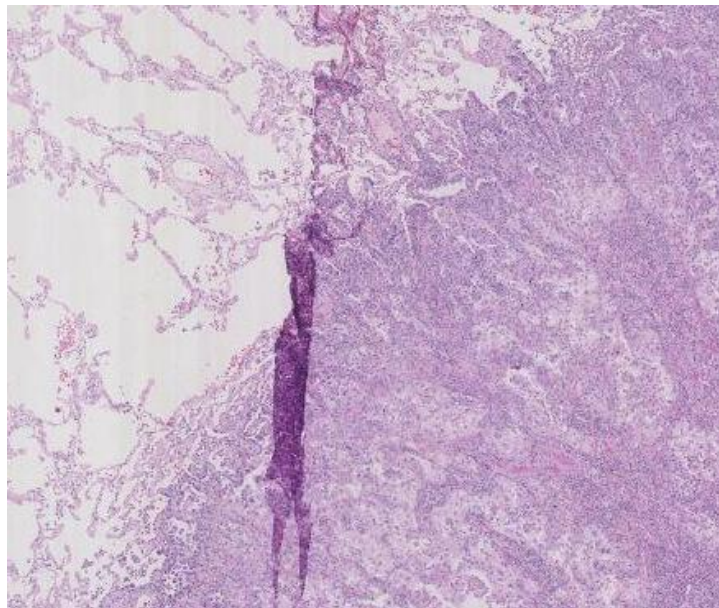
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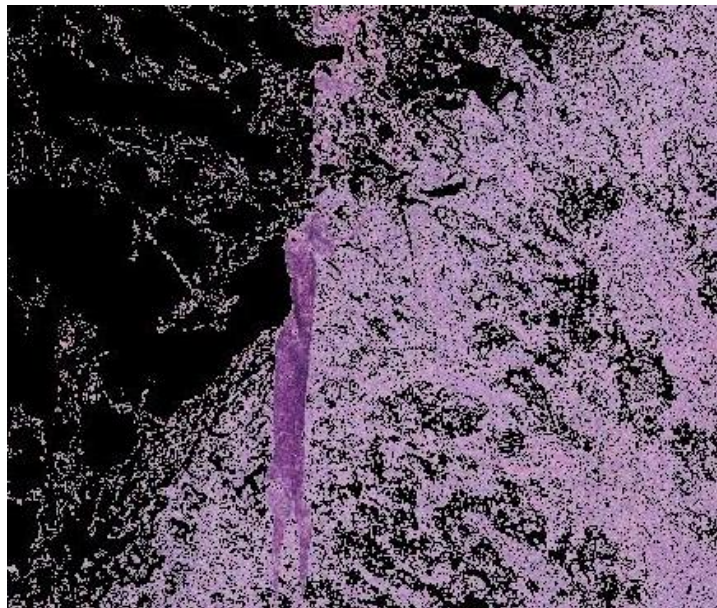
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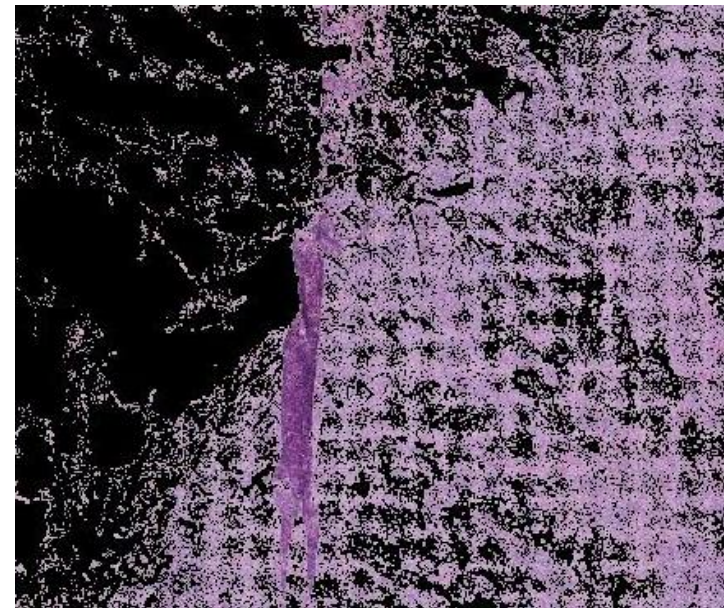
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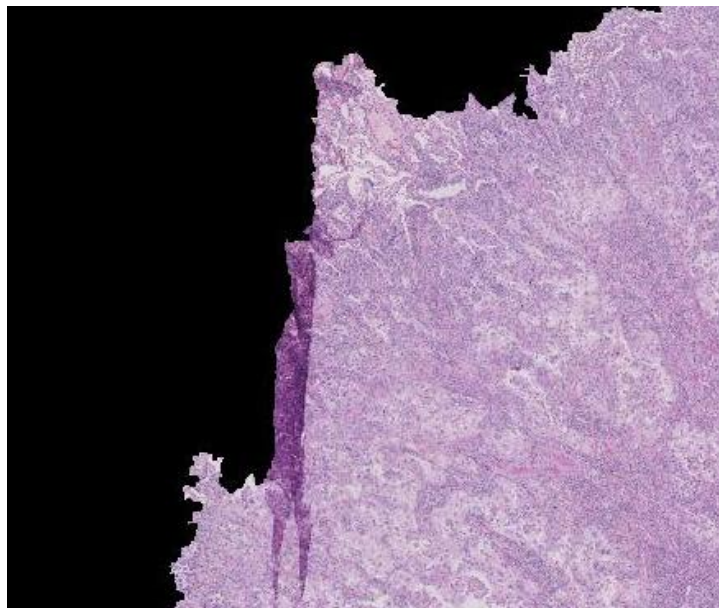
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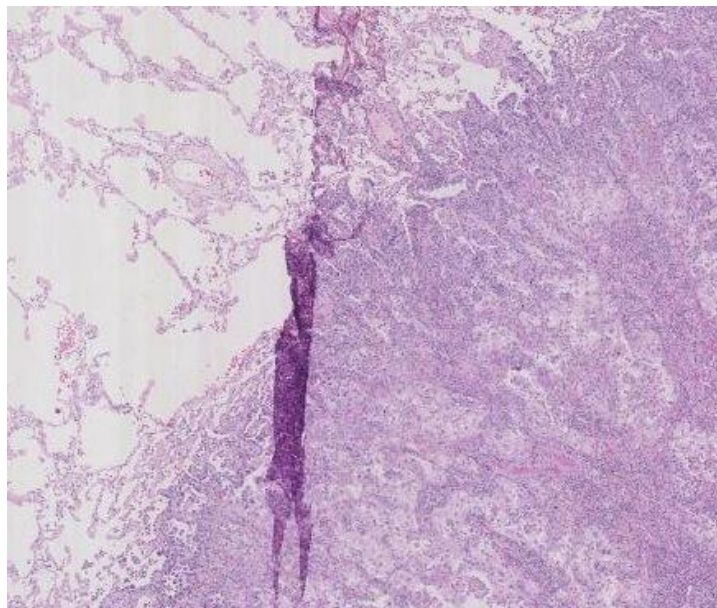
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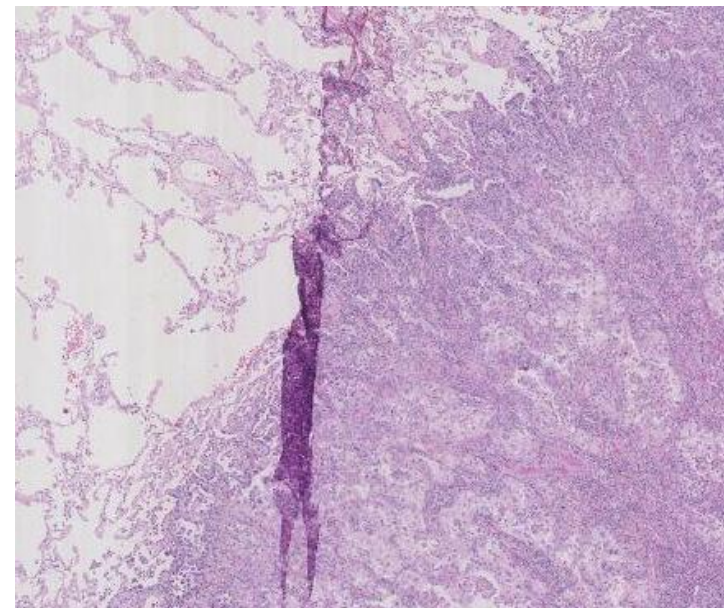
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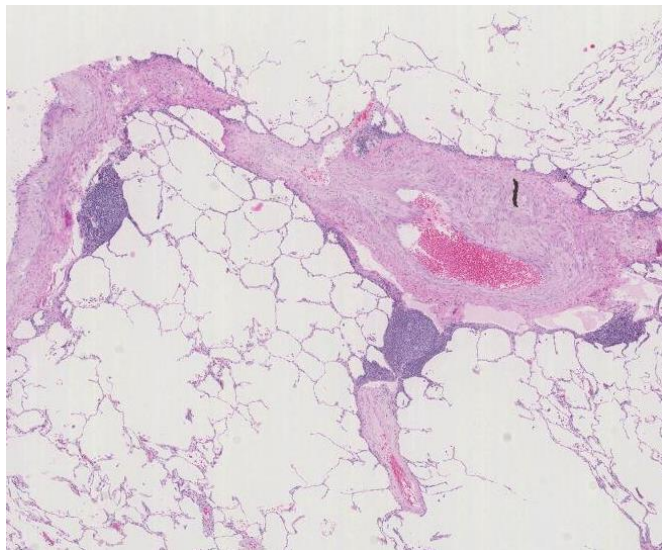
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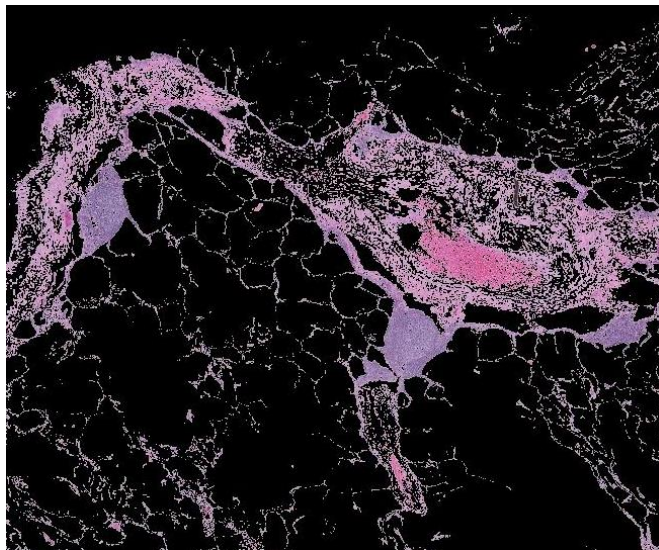
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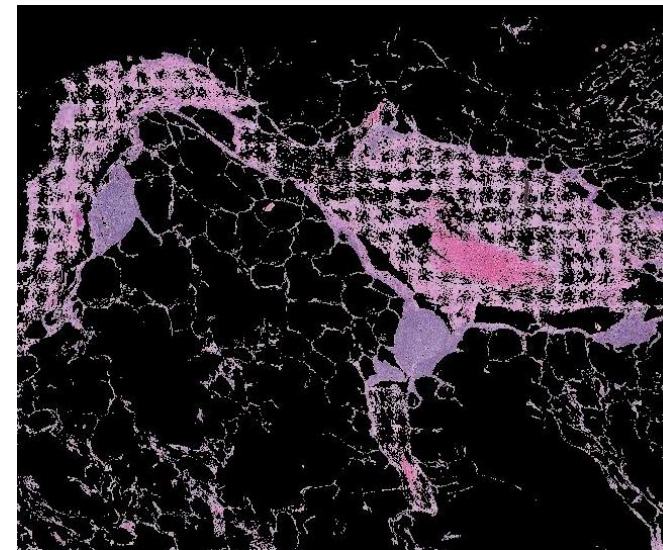
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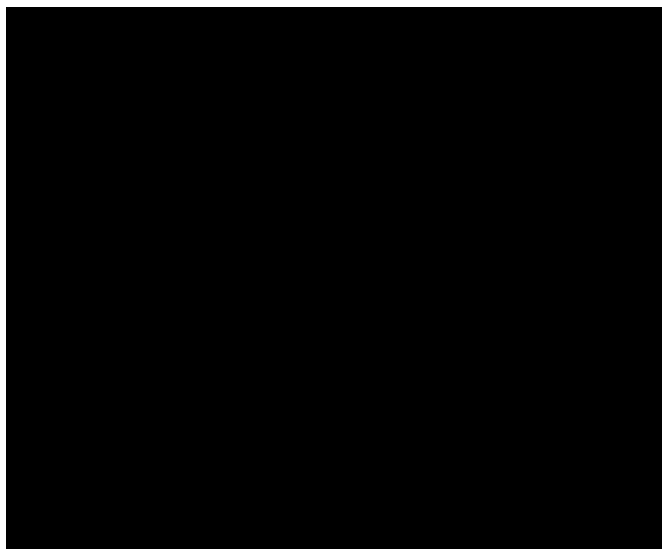
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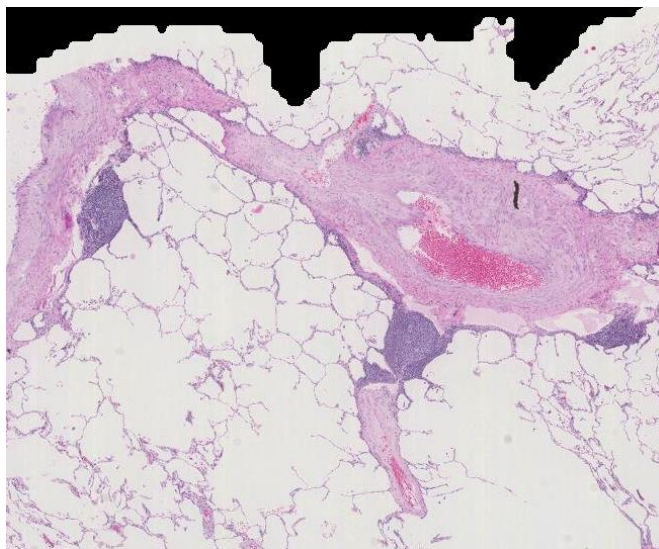
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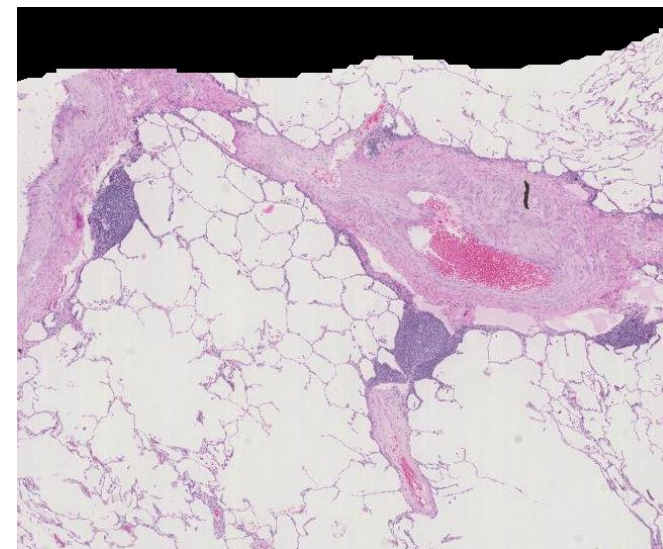
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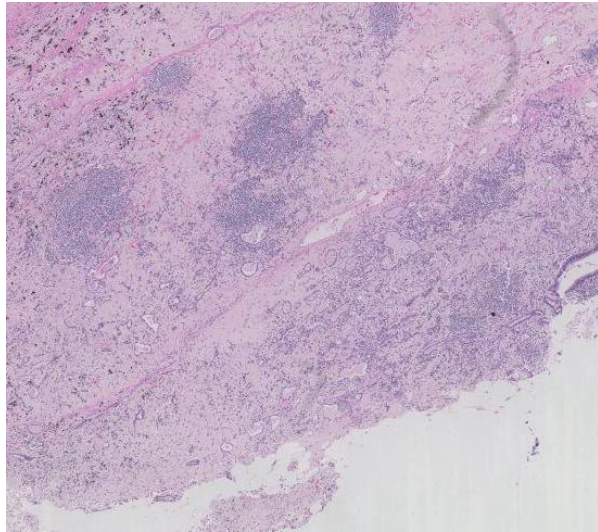
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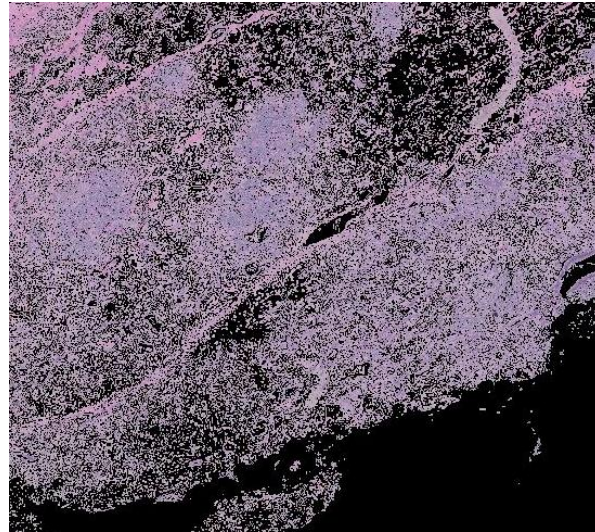
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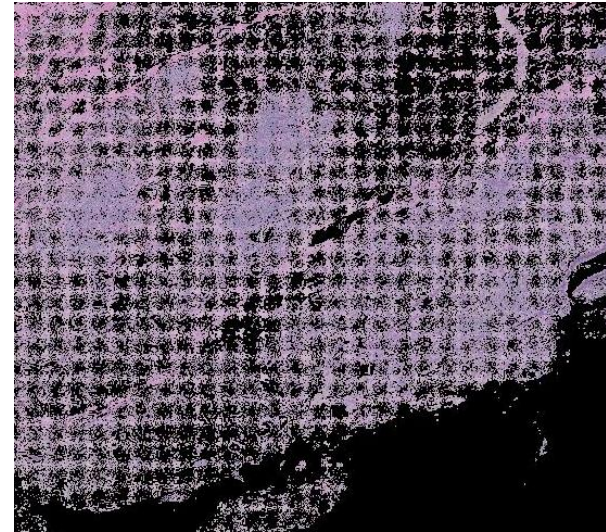
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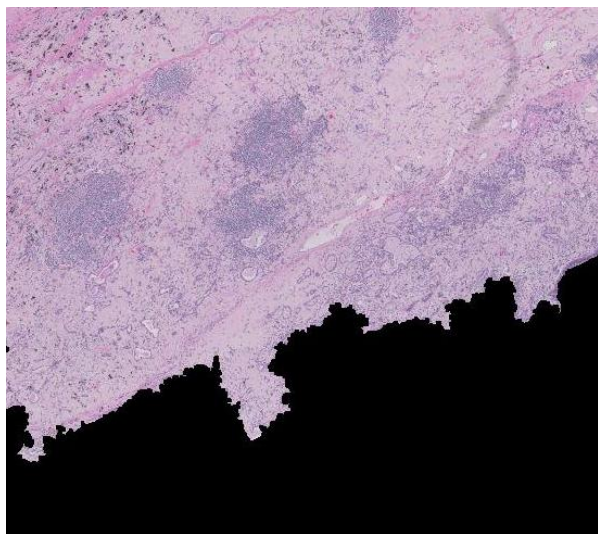
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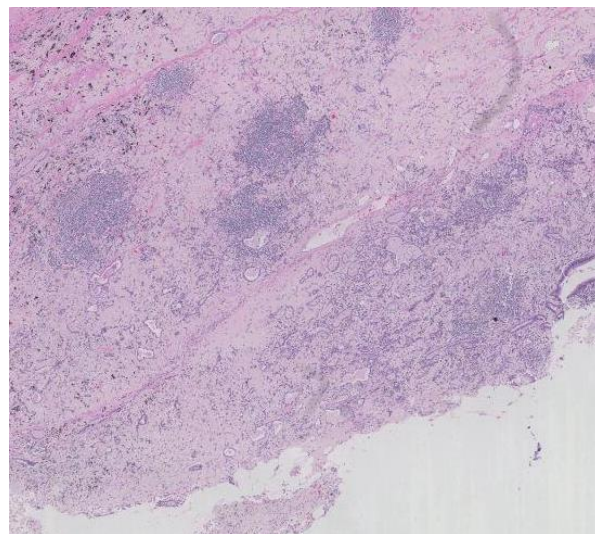
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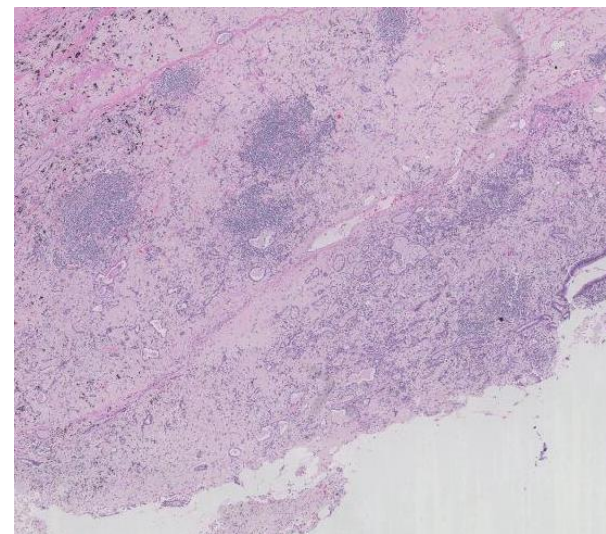
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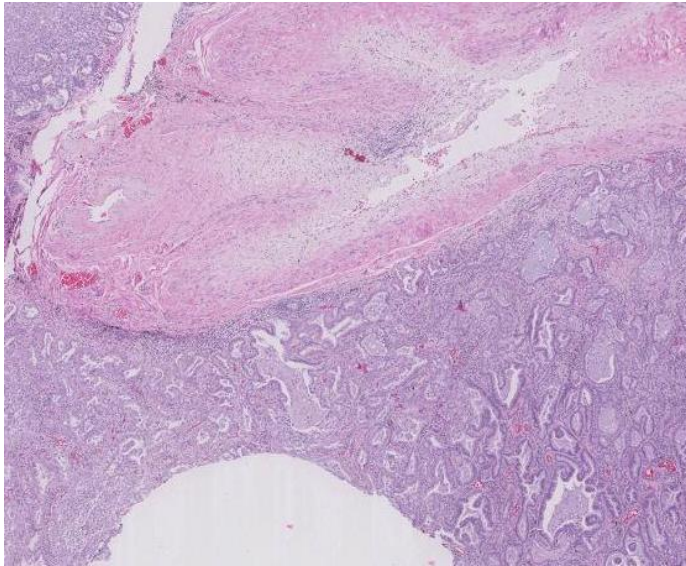
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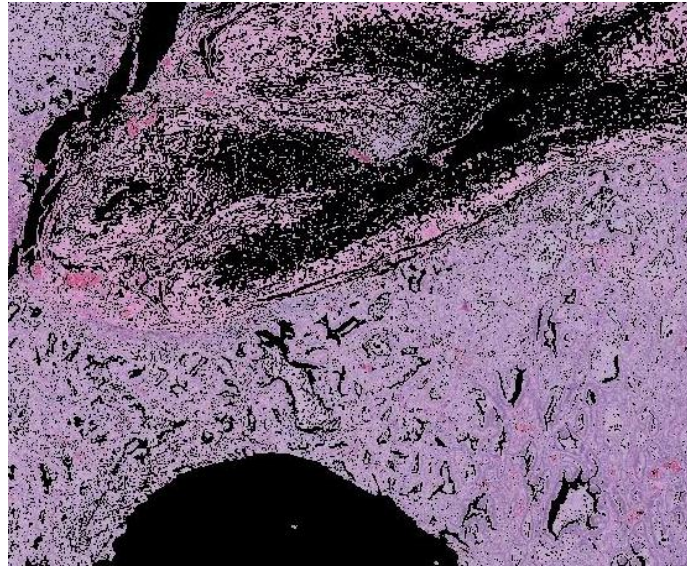
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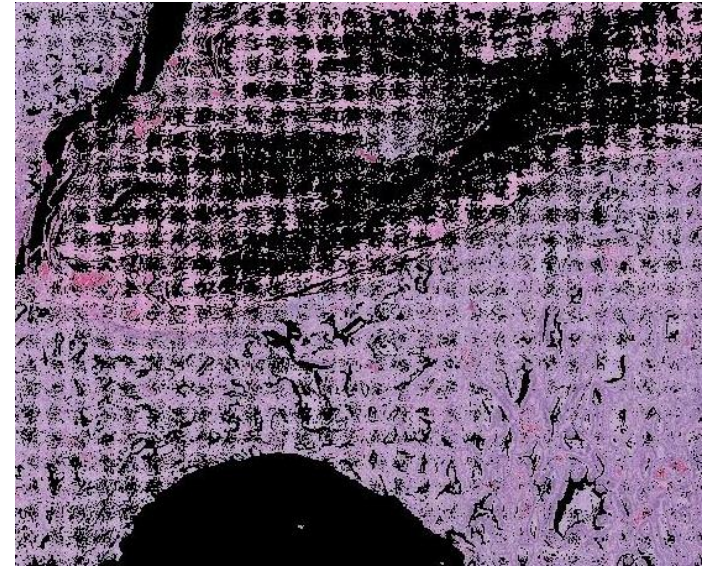
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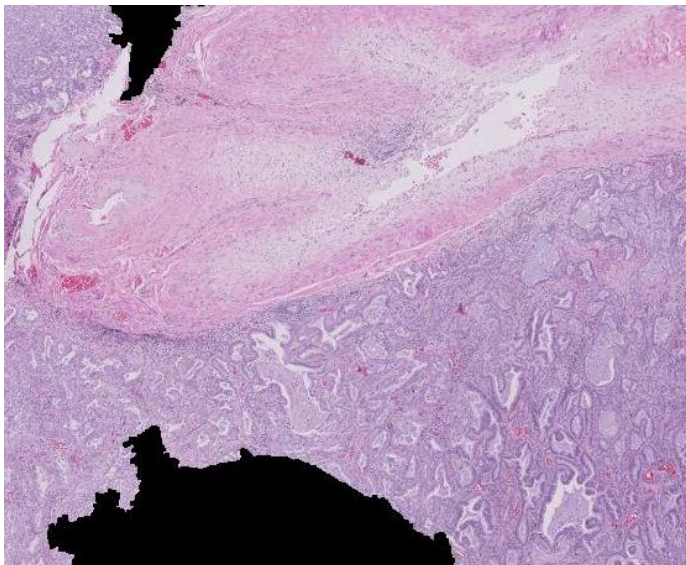
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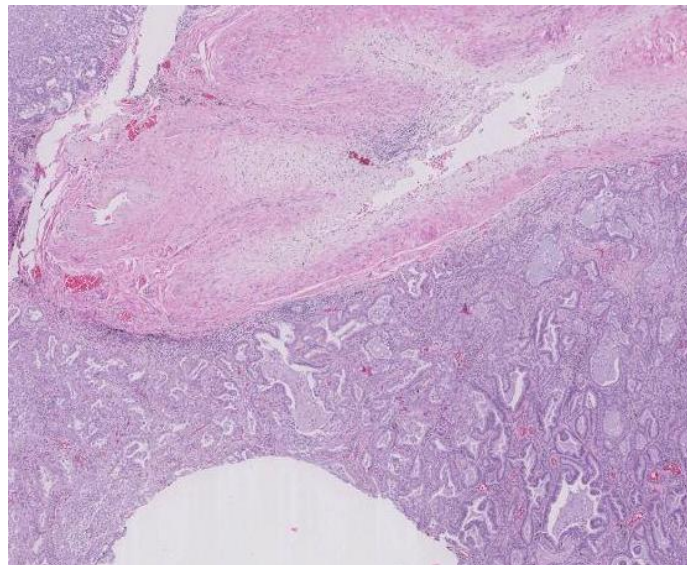
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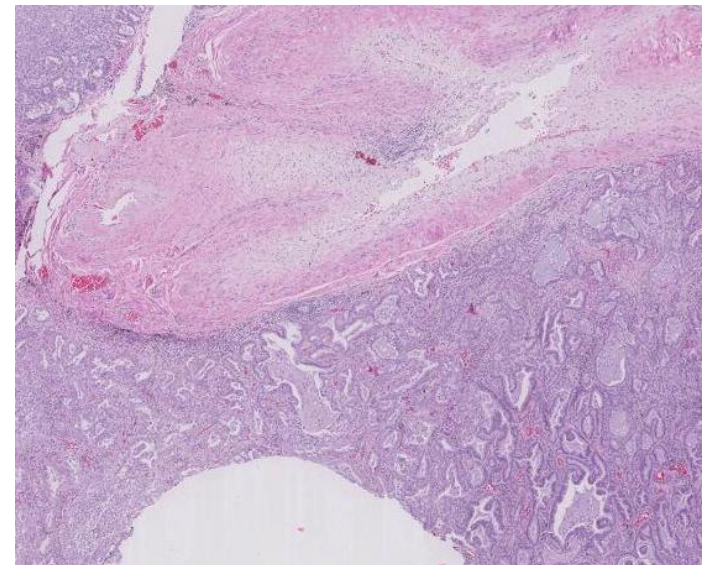
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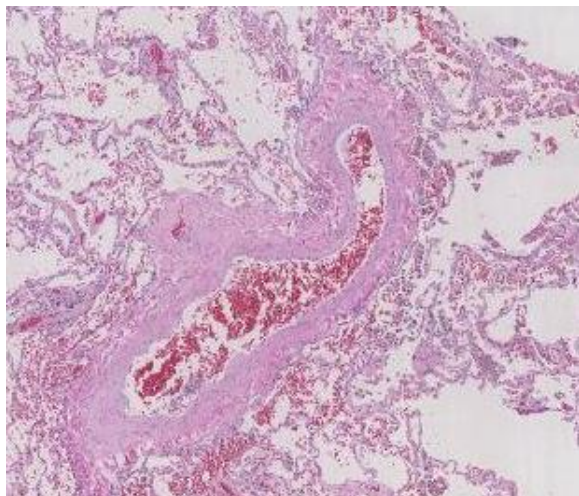
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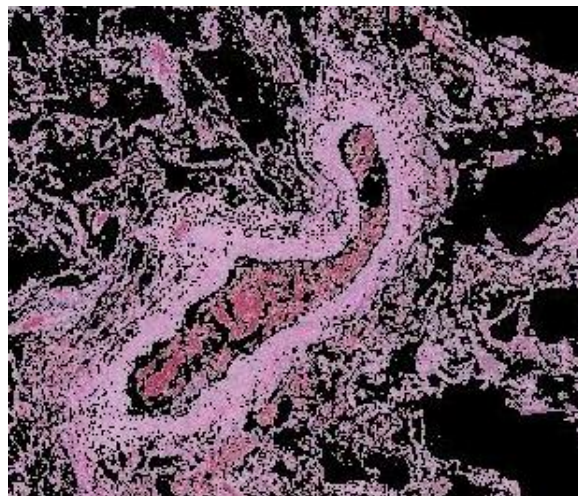
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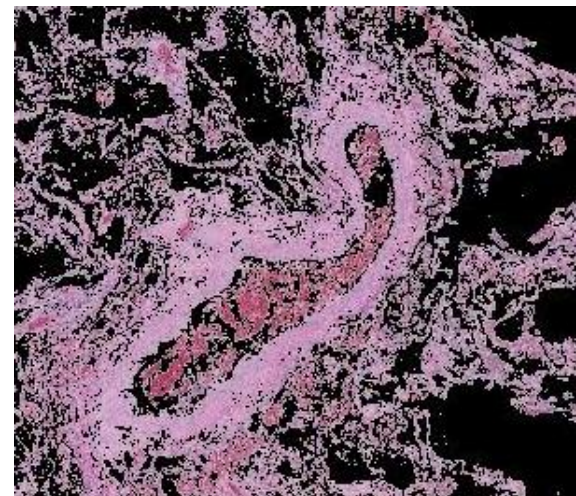
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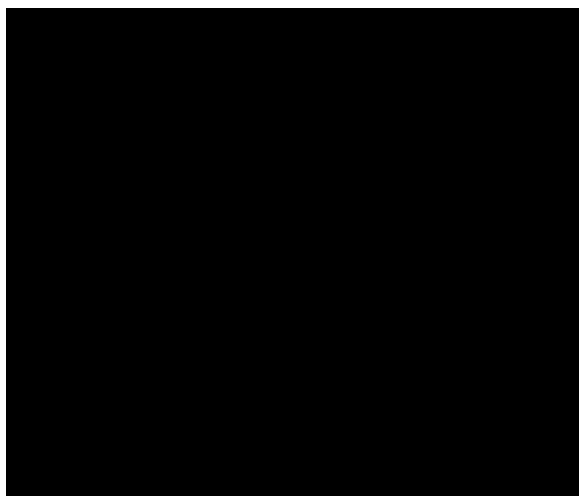
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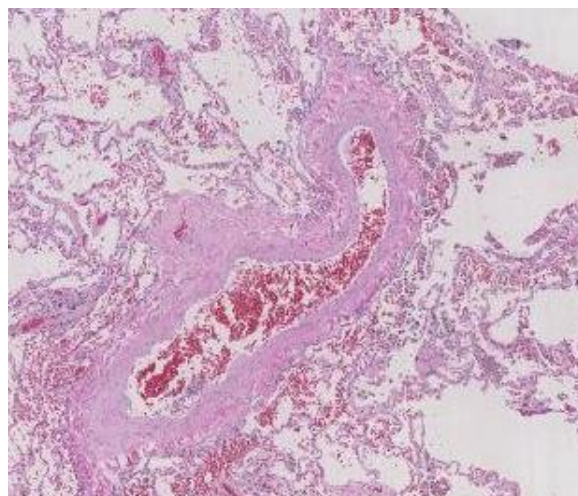
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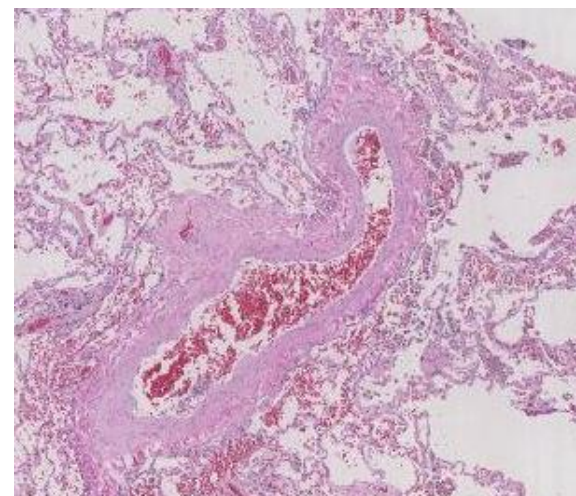
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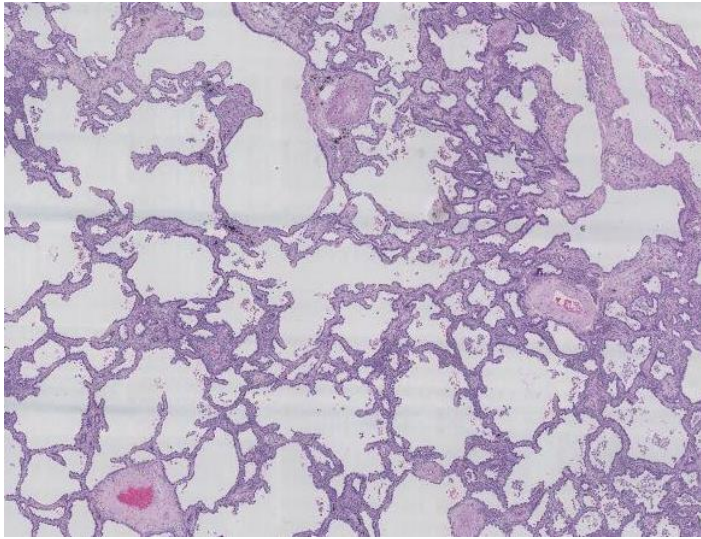
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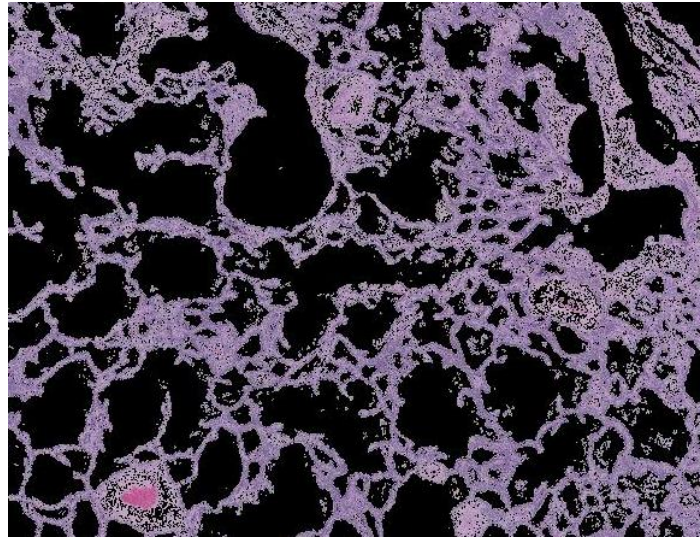
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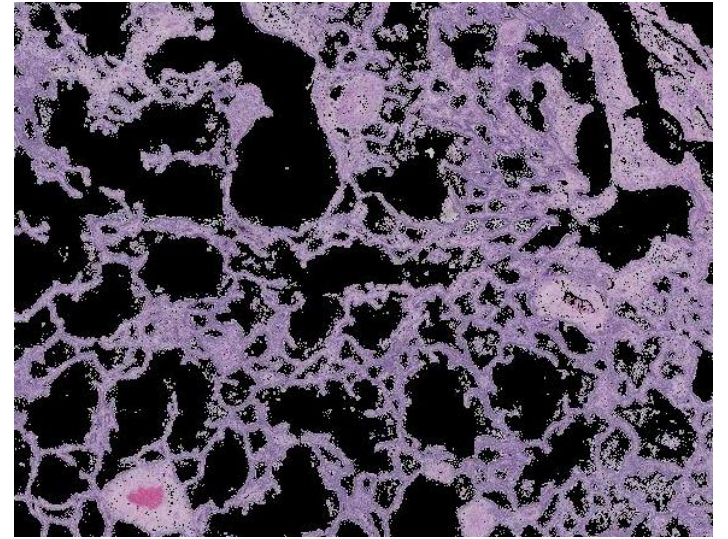
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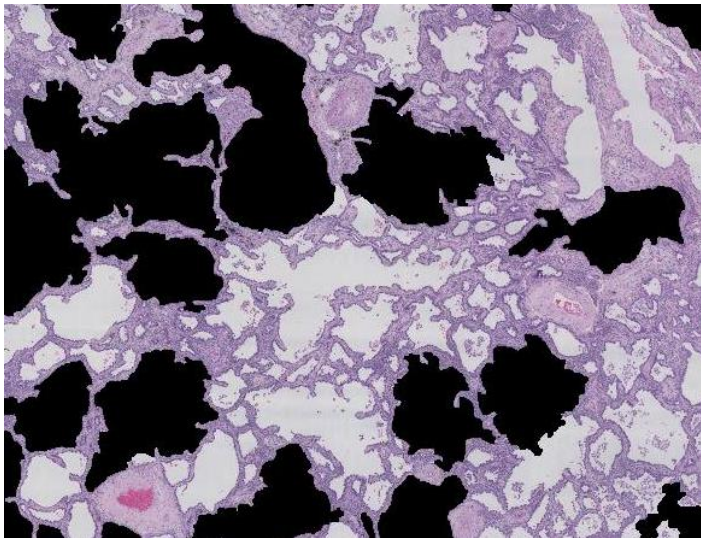
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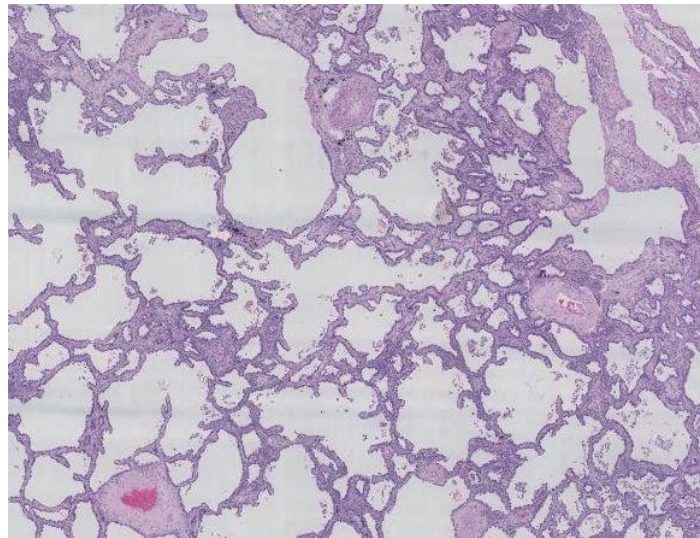
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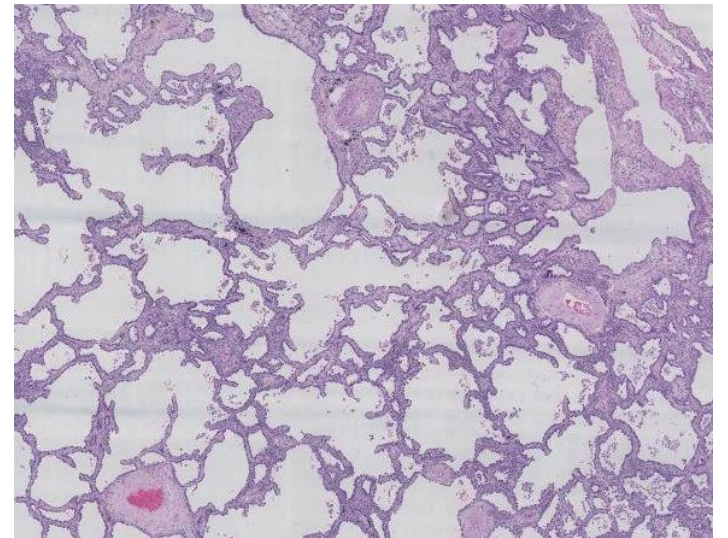
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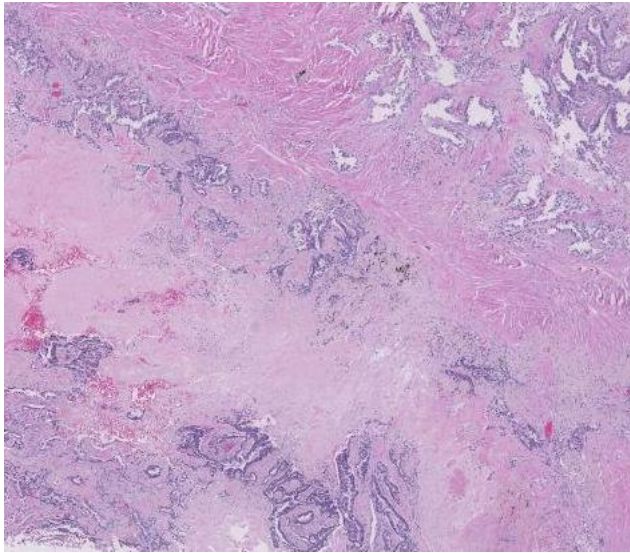
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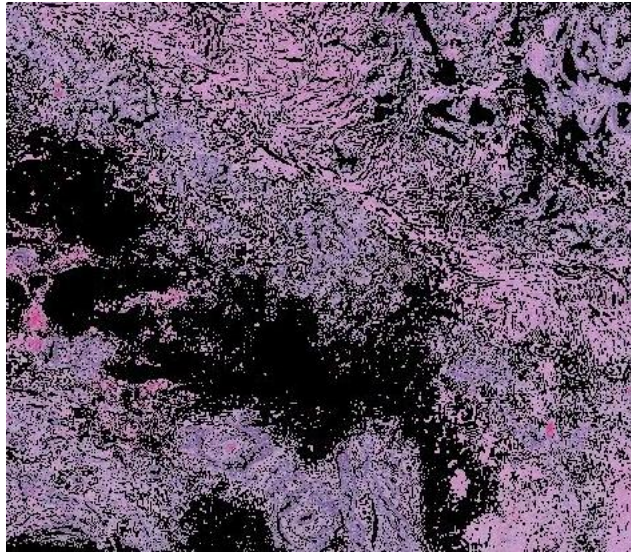
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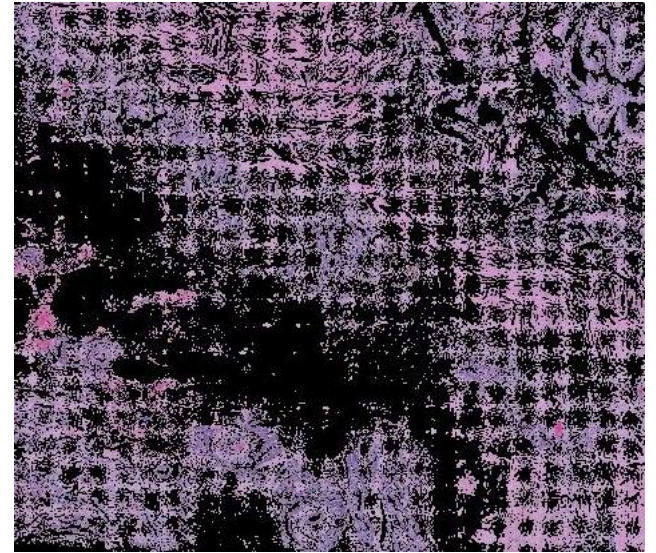
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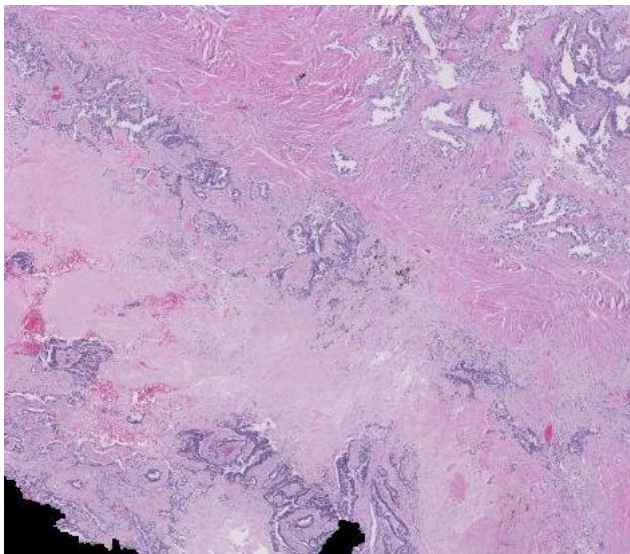
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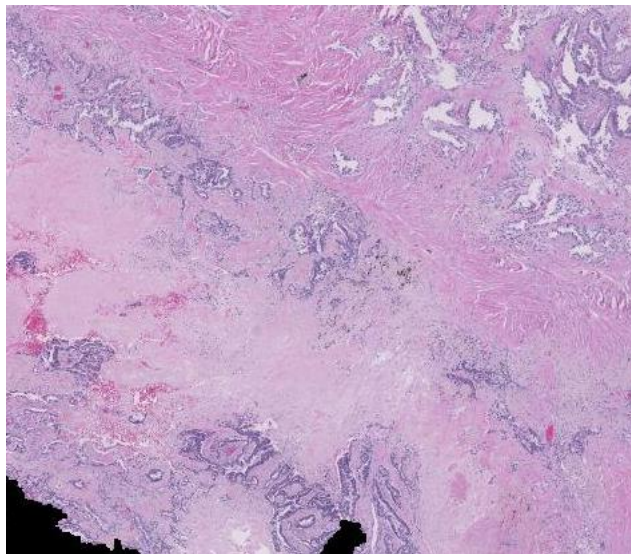
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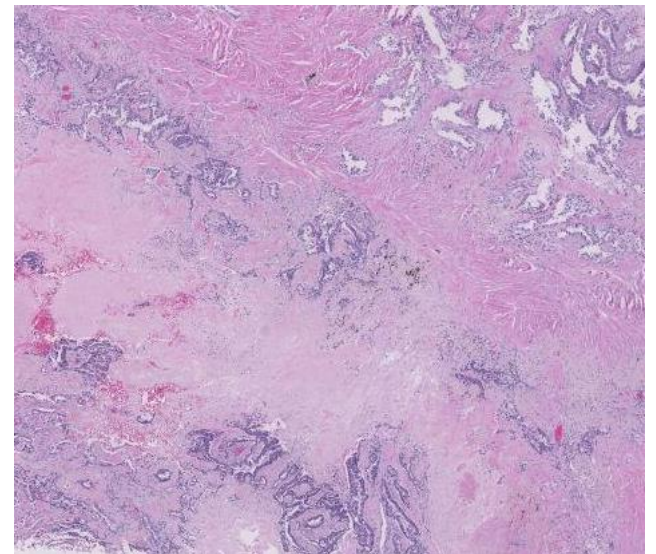
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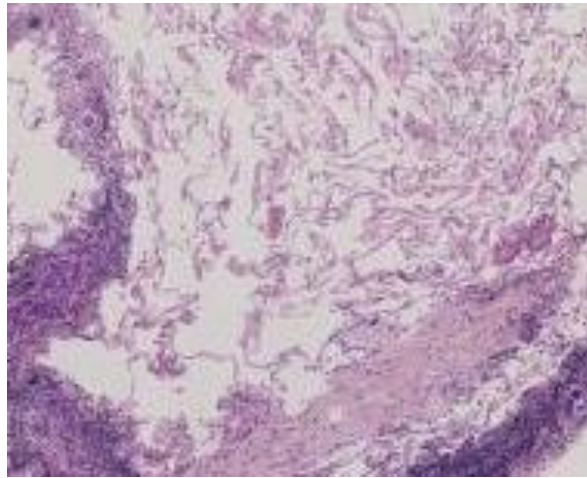
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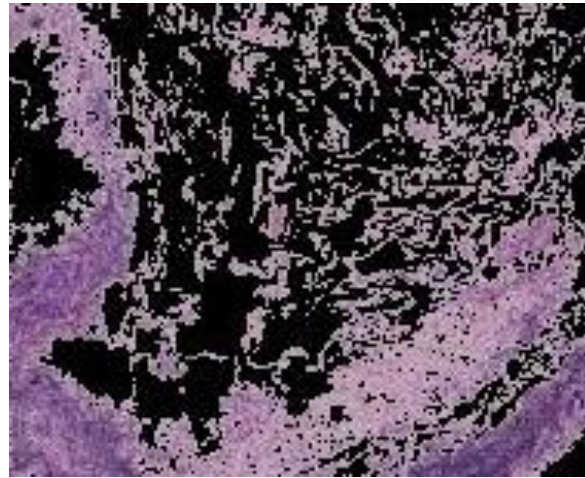
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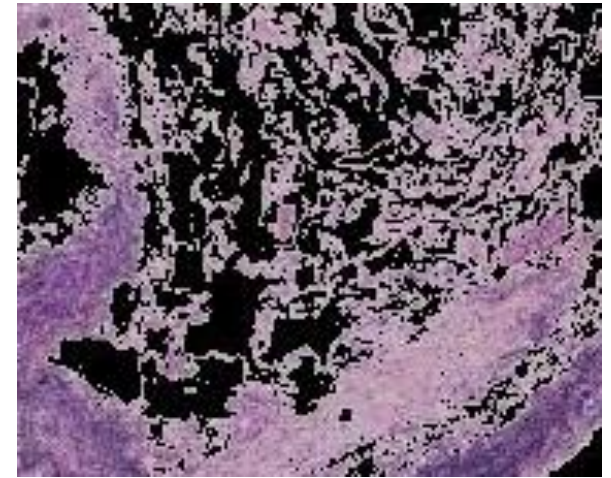
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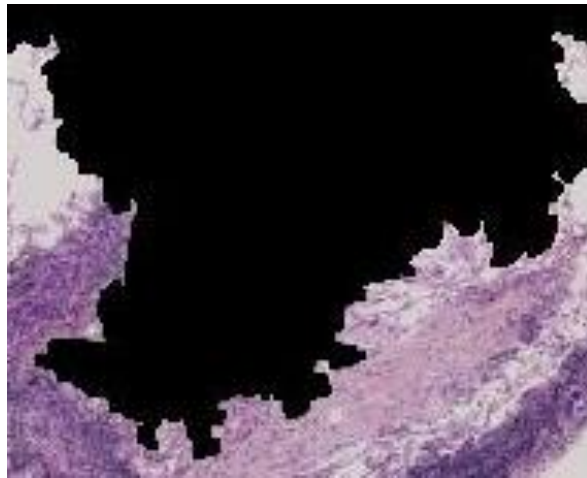
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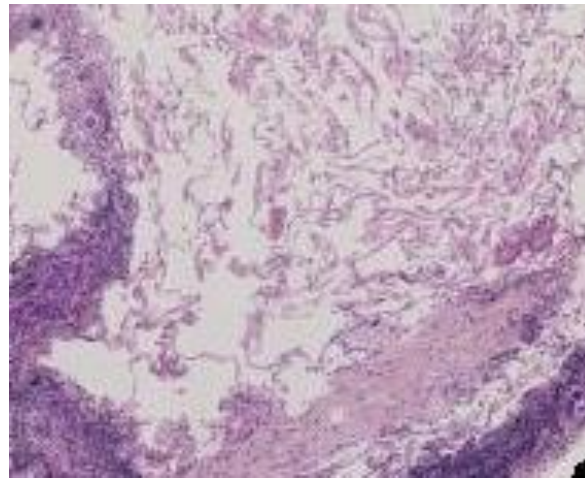
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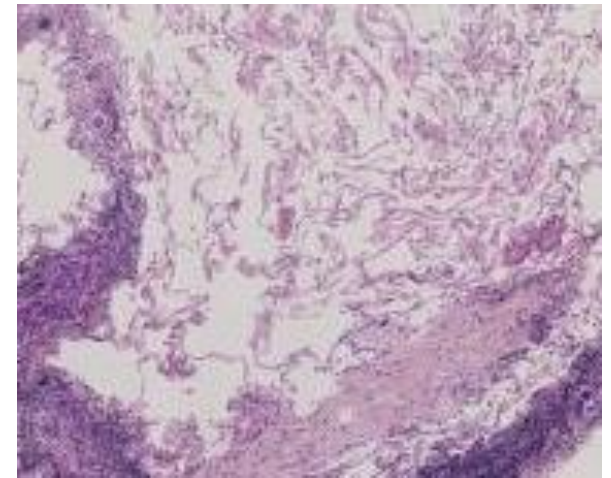
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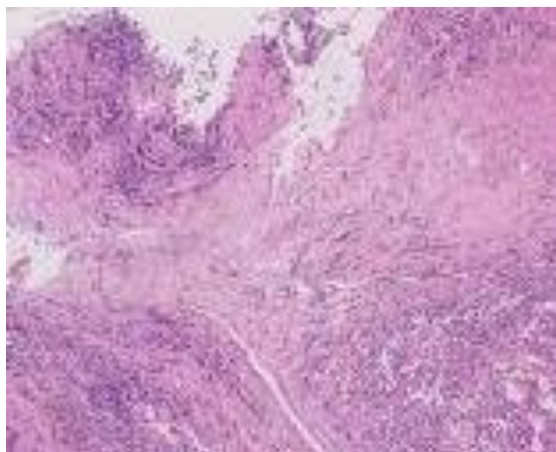
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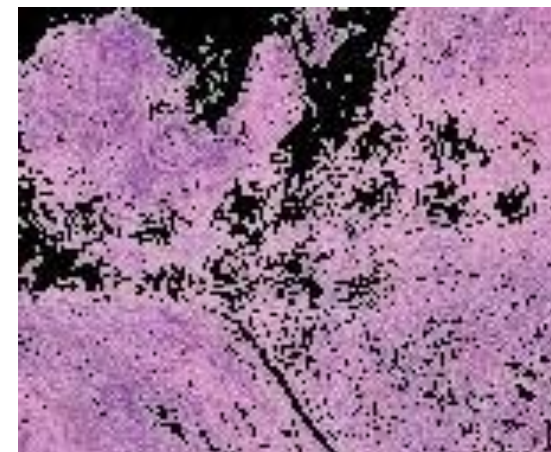
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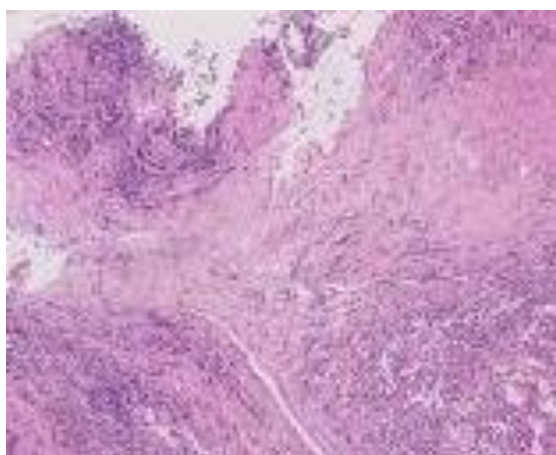
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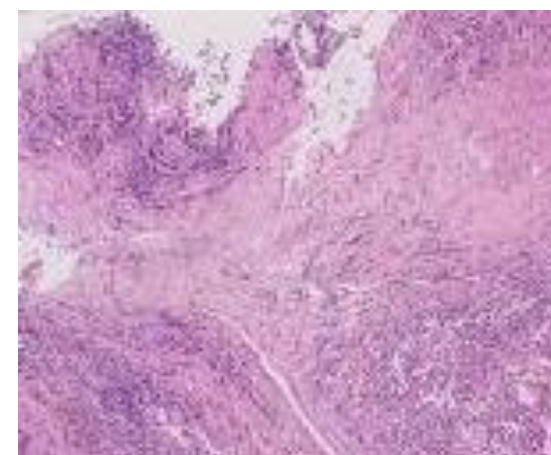
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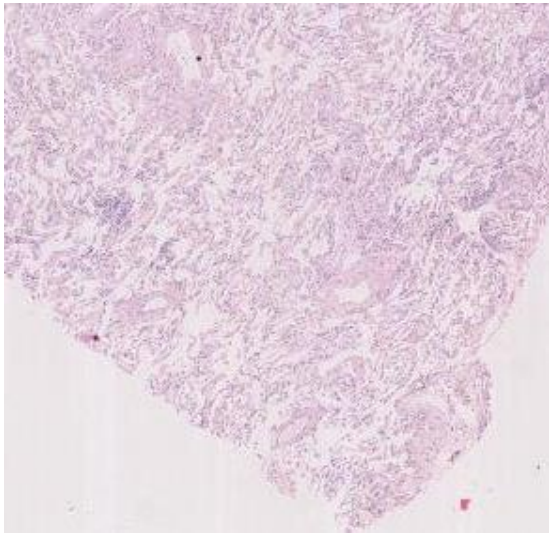
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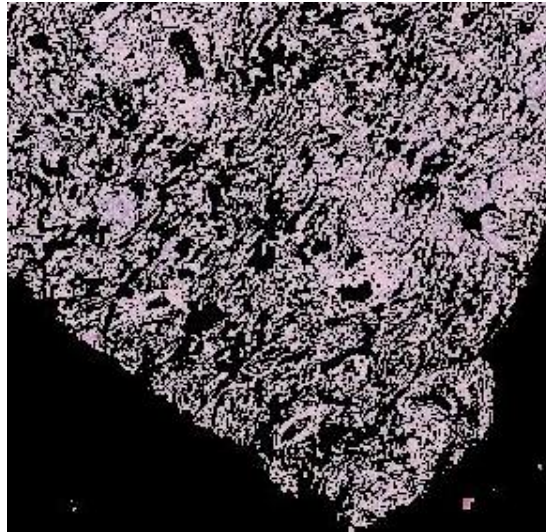
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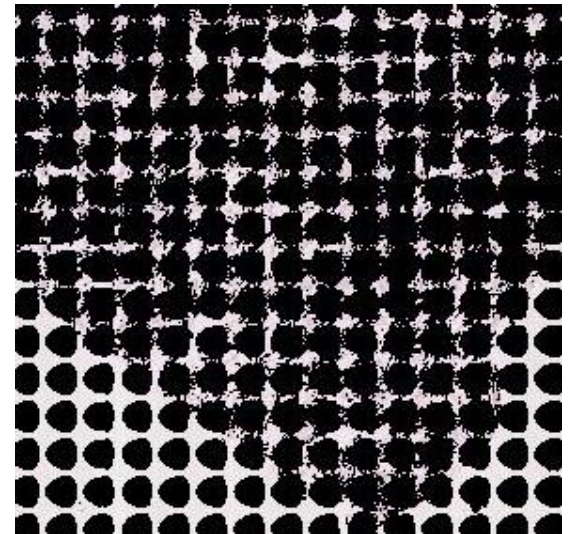
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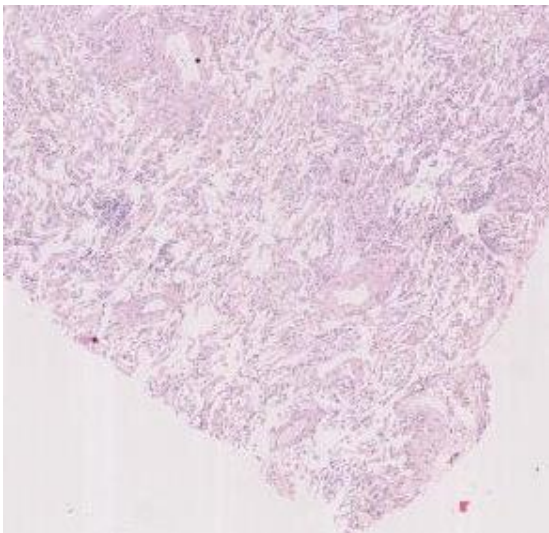
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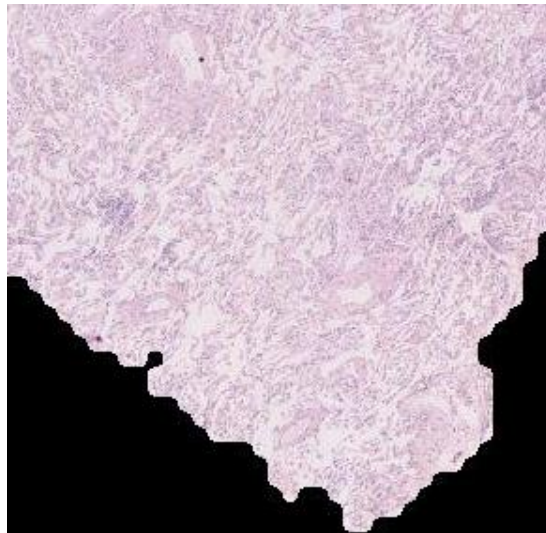
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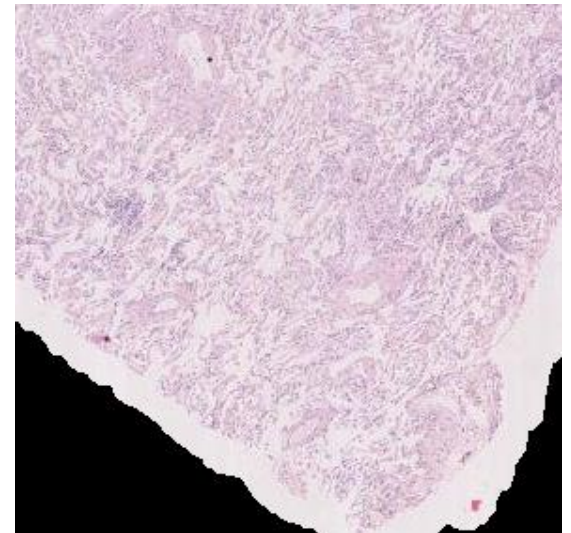
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