

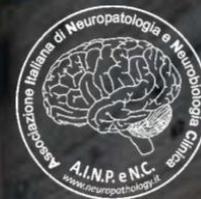
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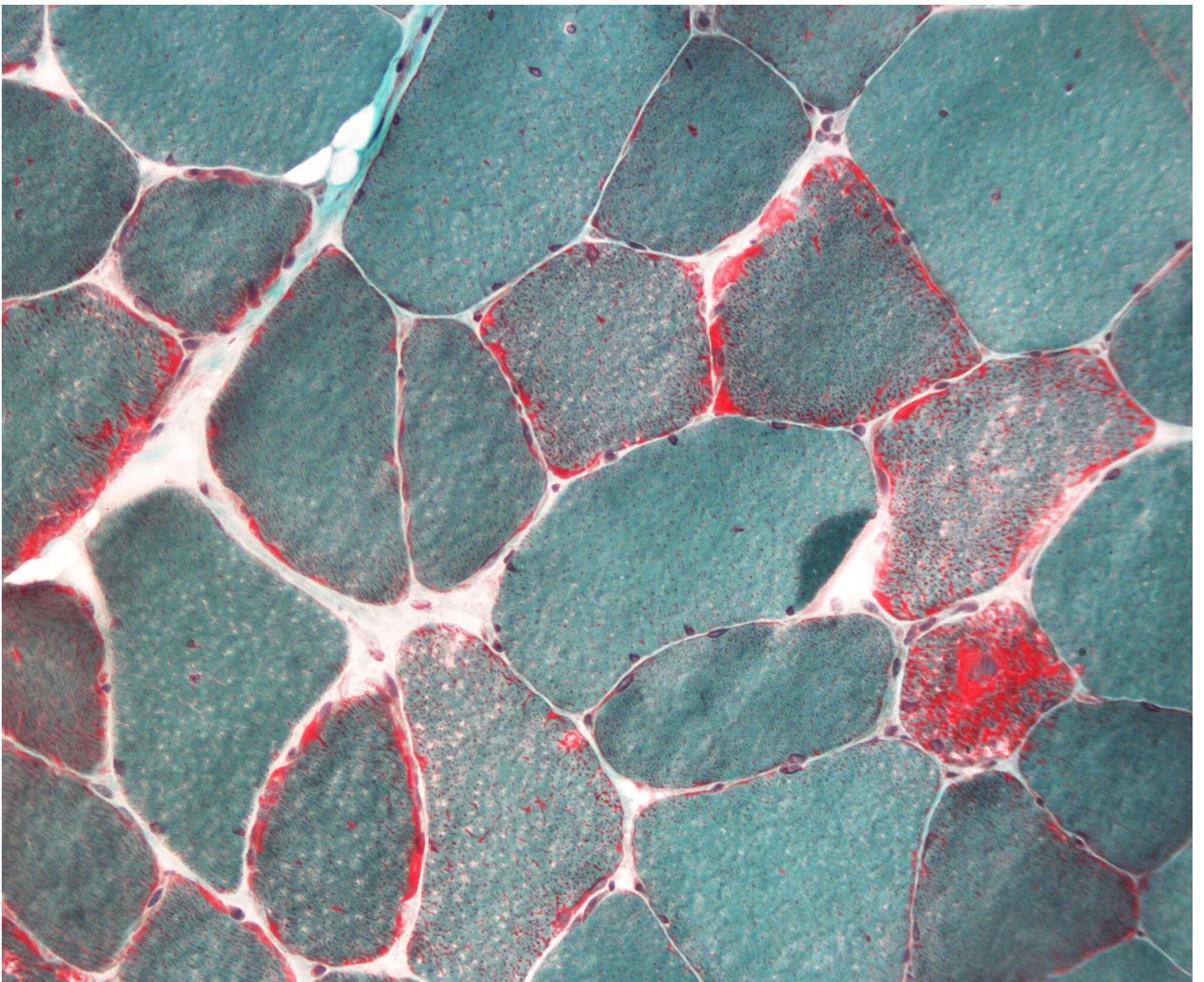
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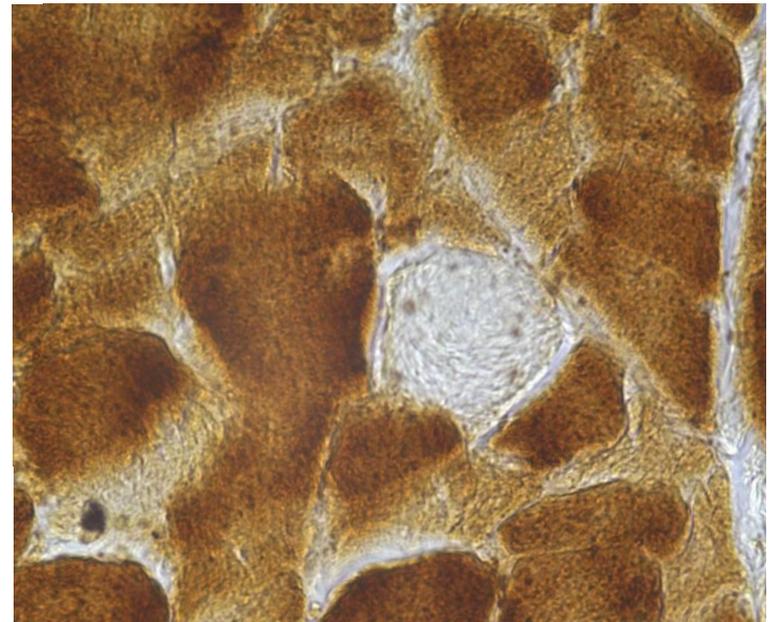
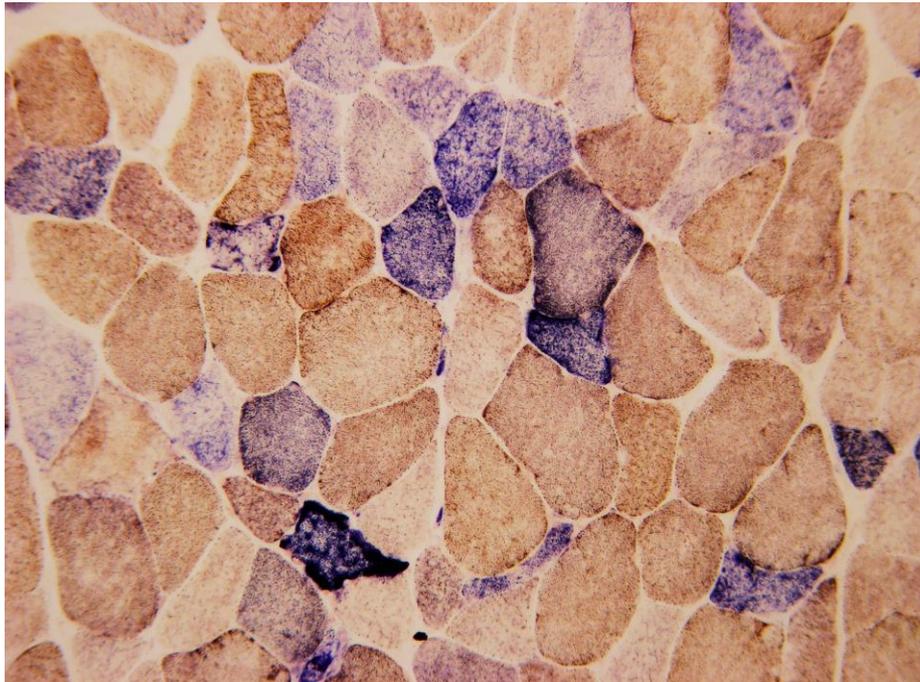
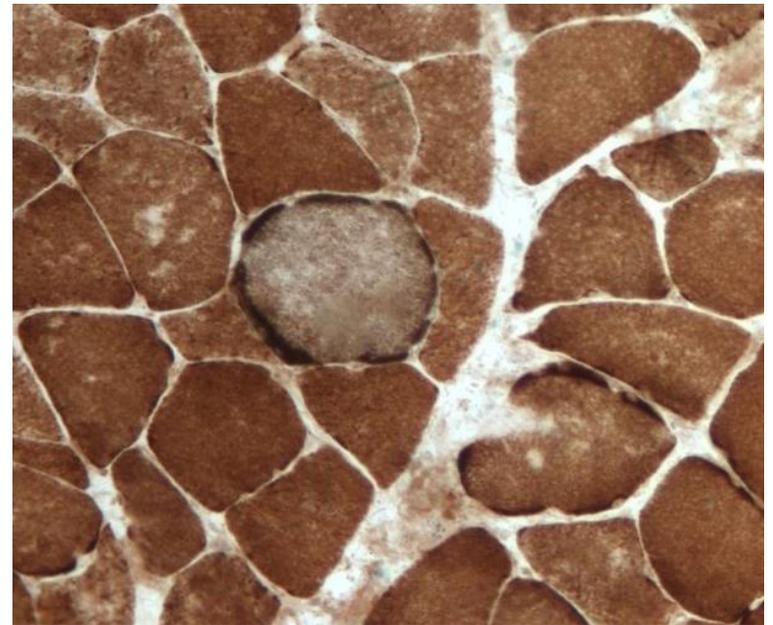
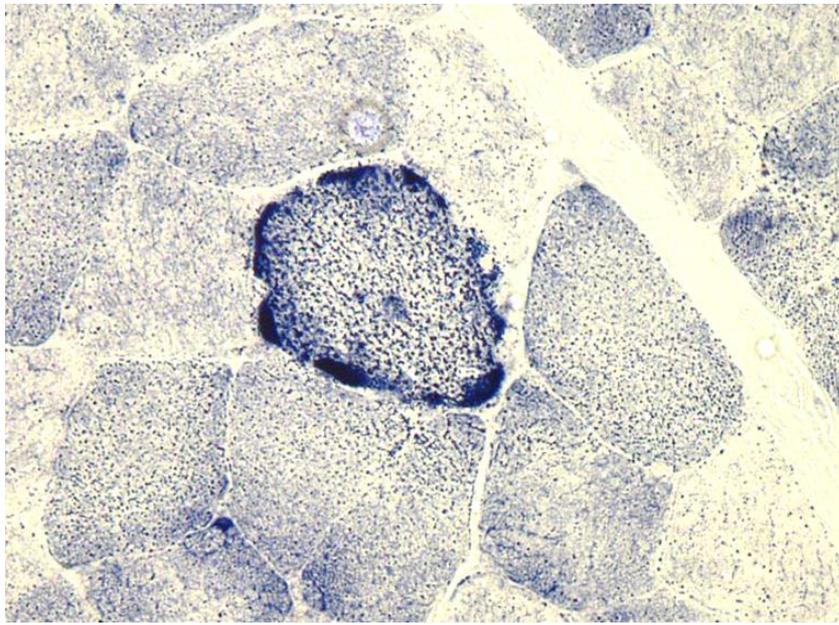
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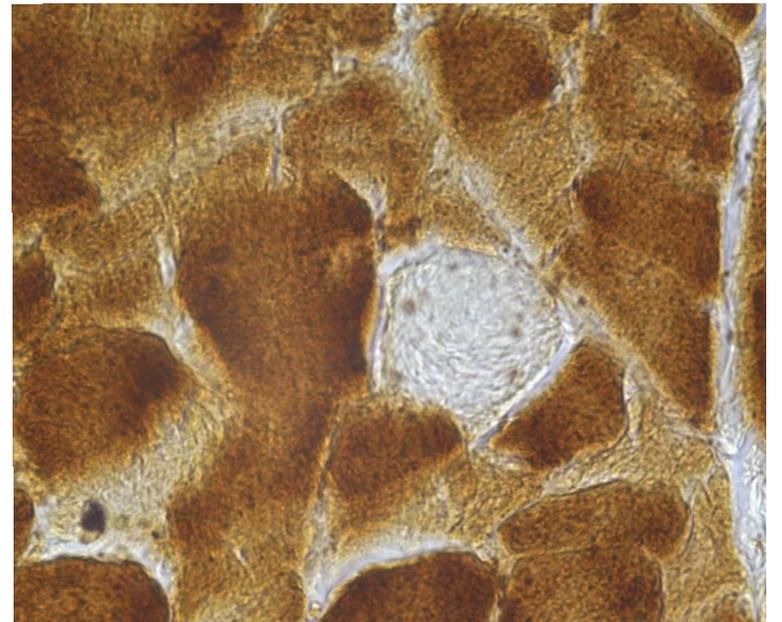
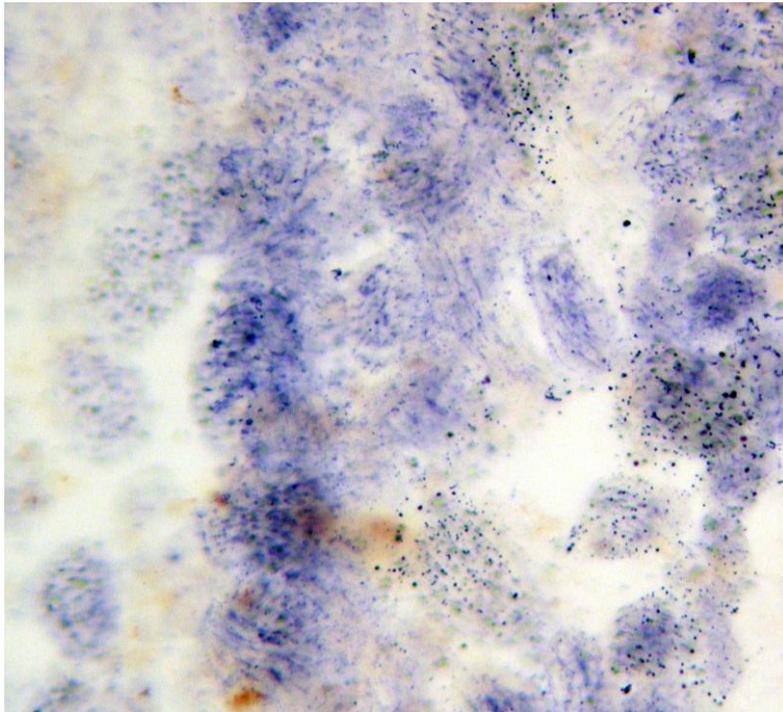
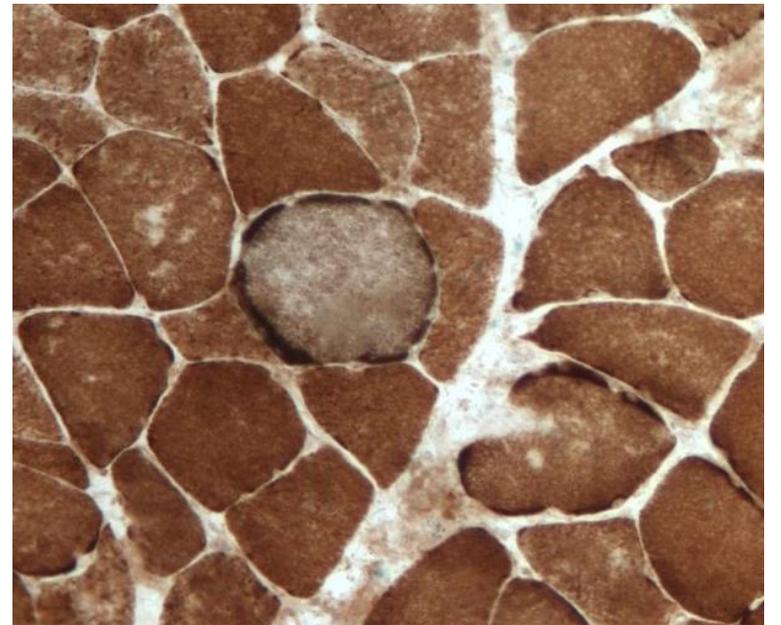
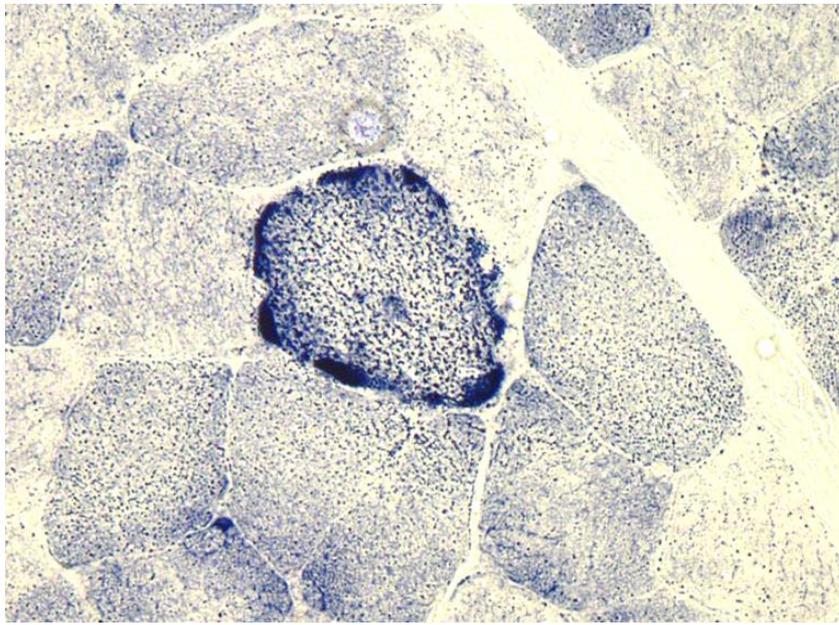
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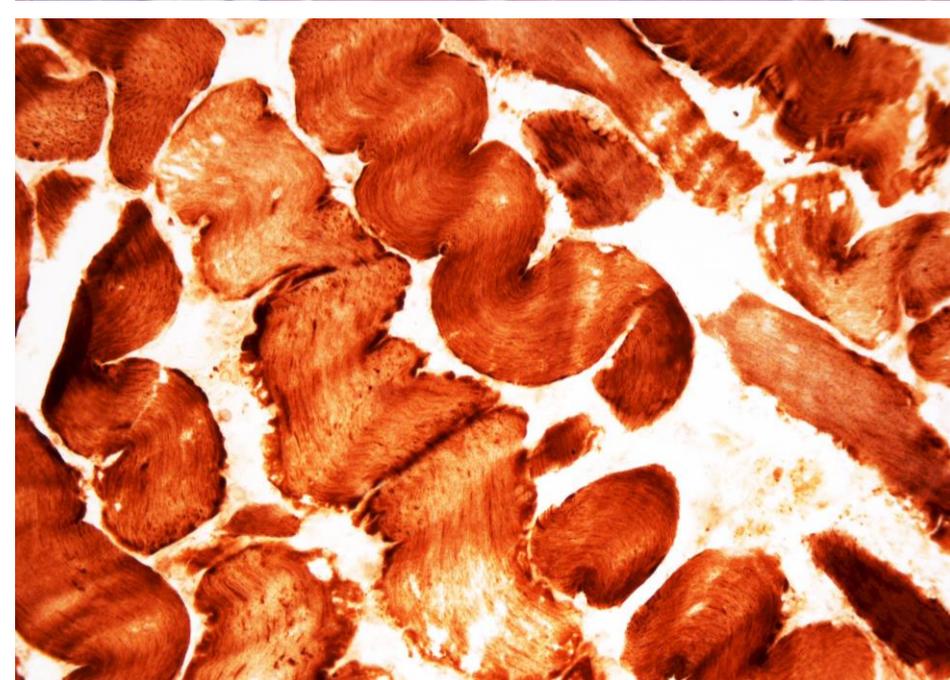
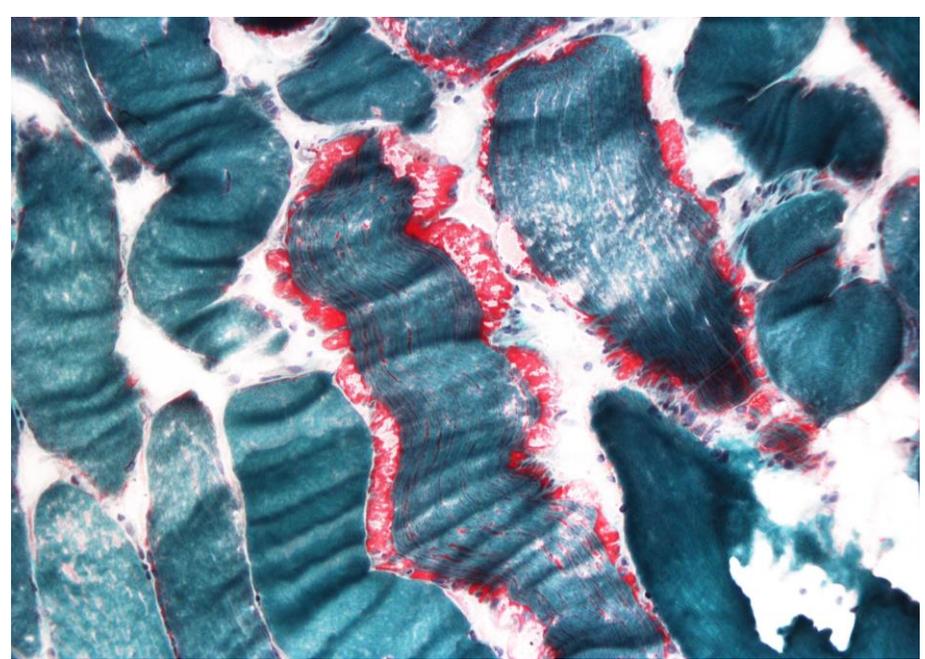
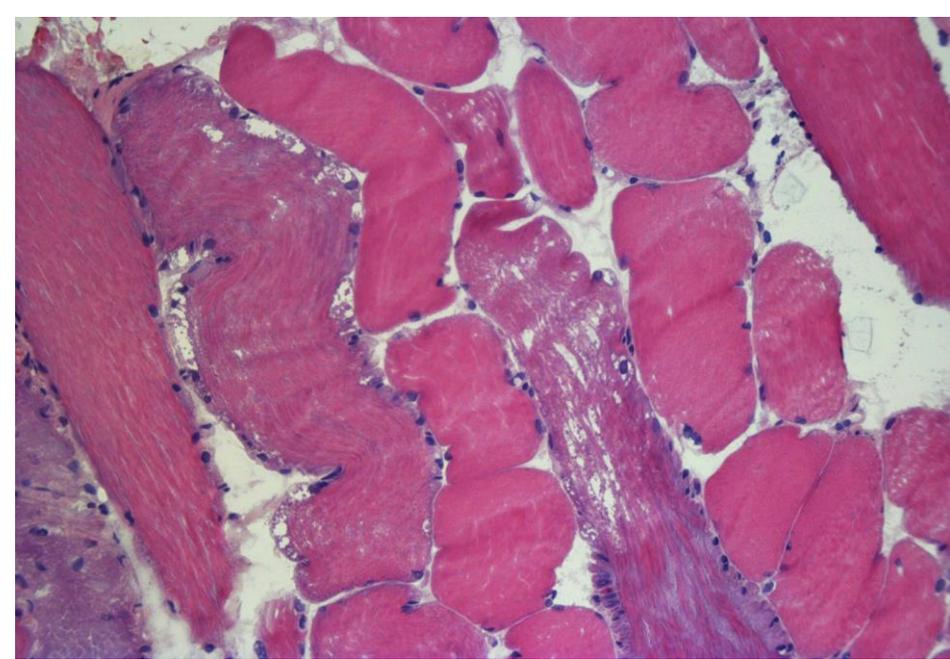
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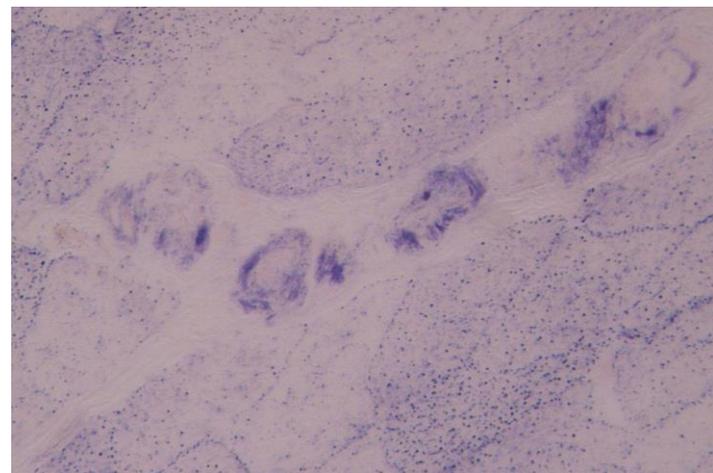


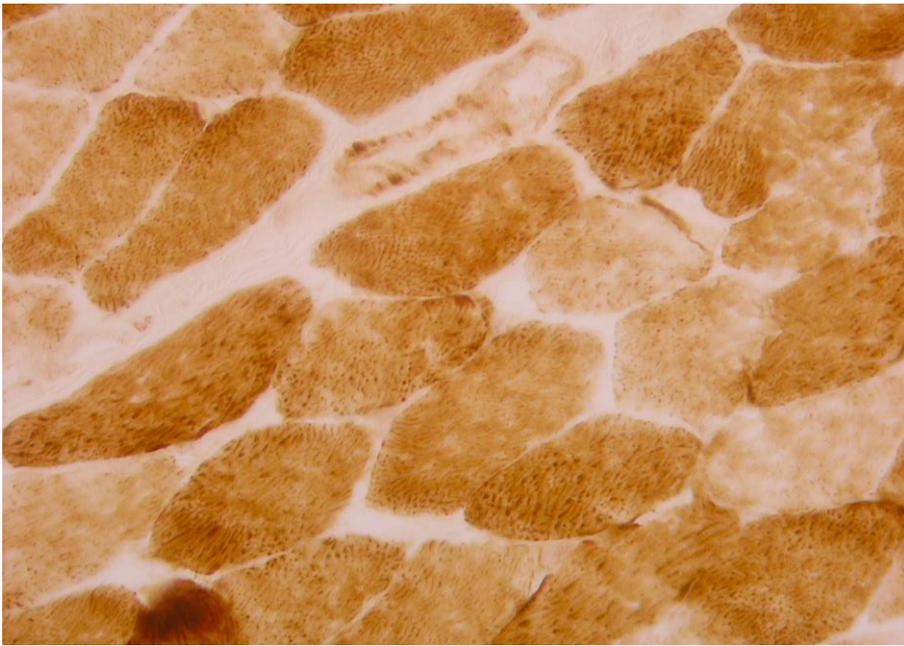






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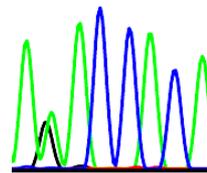


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Leigh syndrome

M. 13513G>A, MTND5

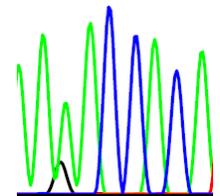
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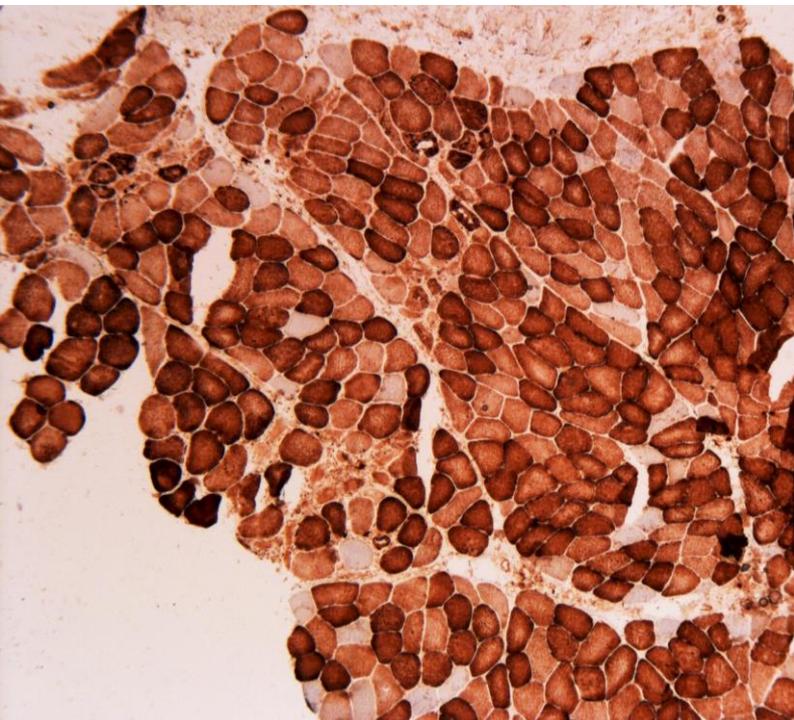
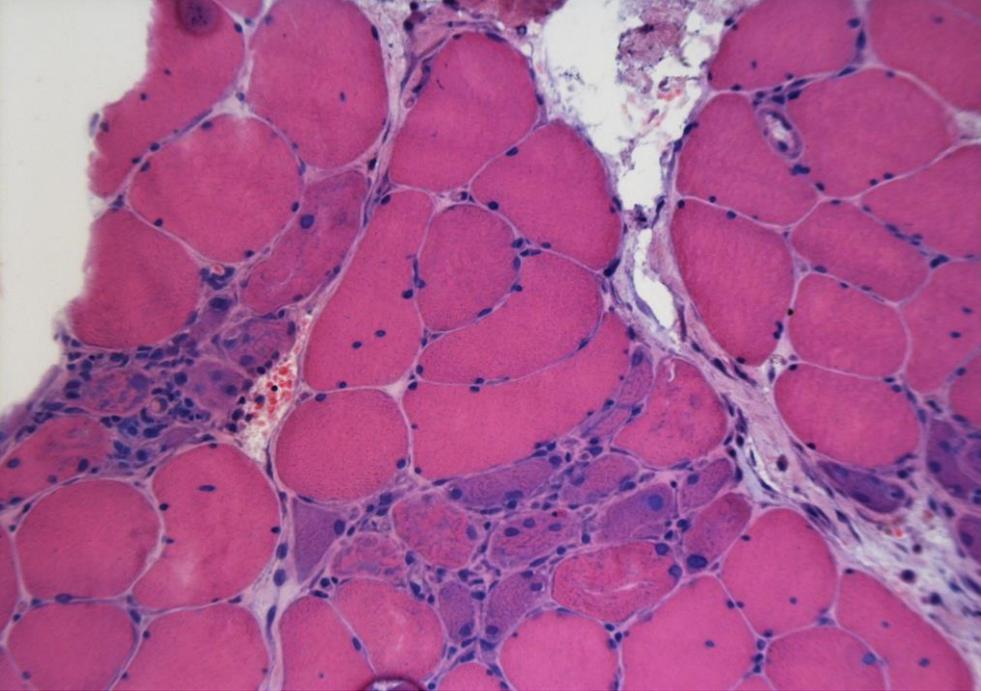
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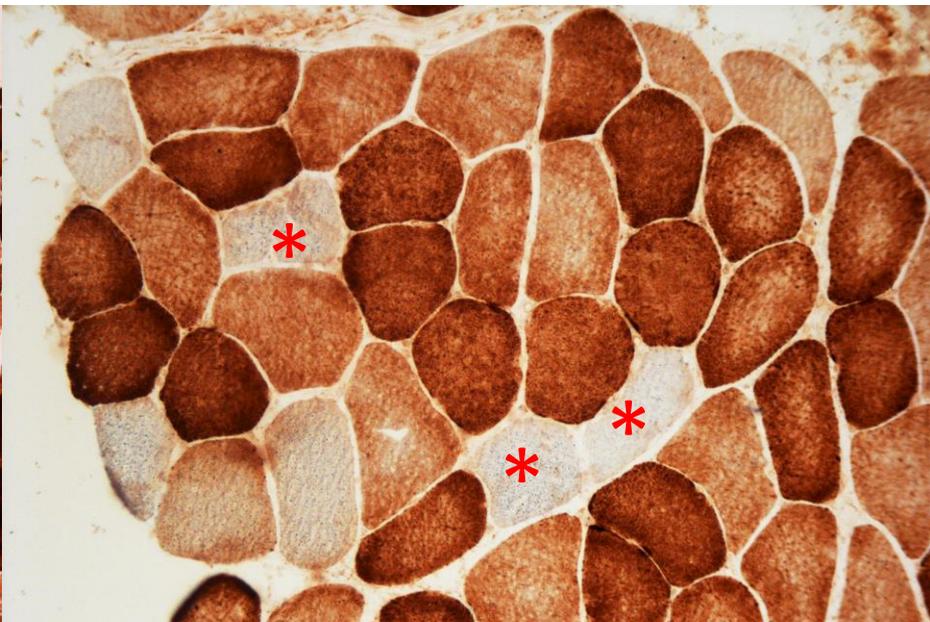
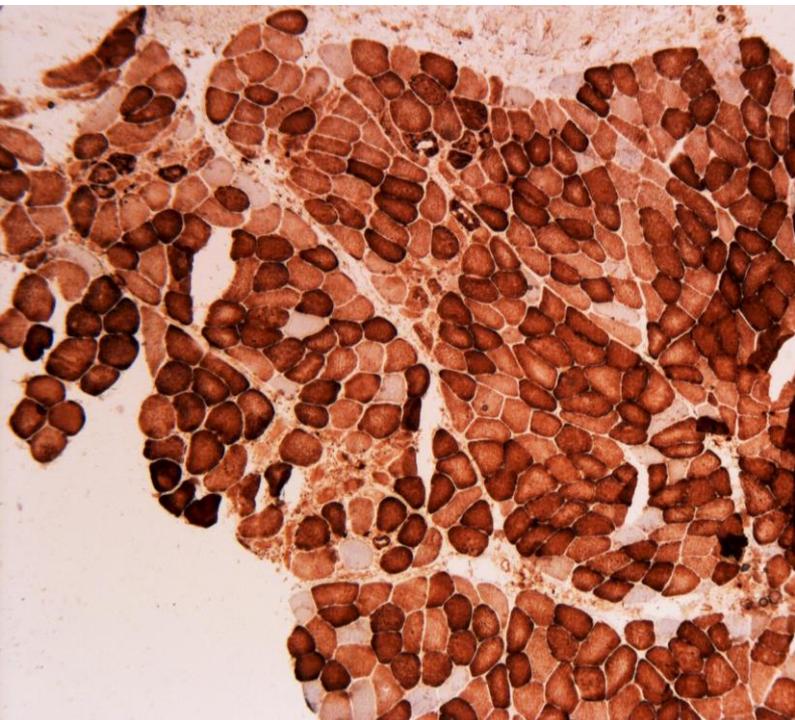
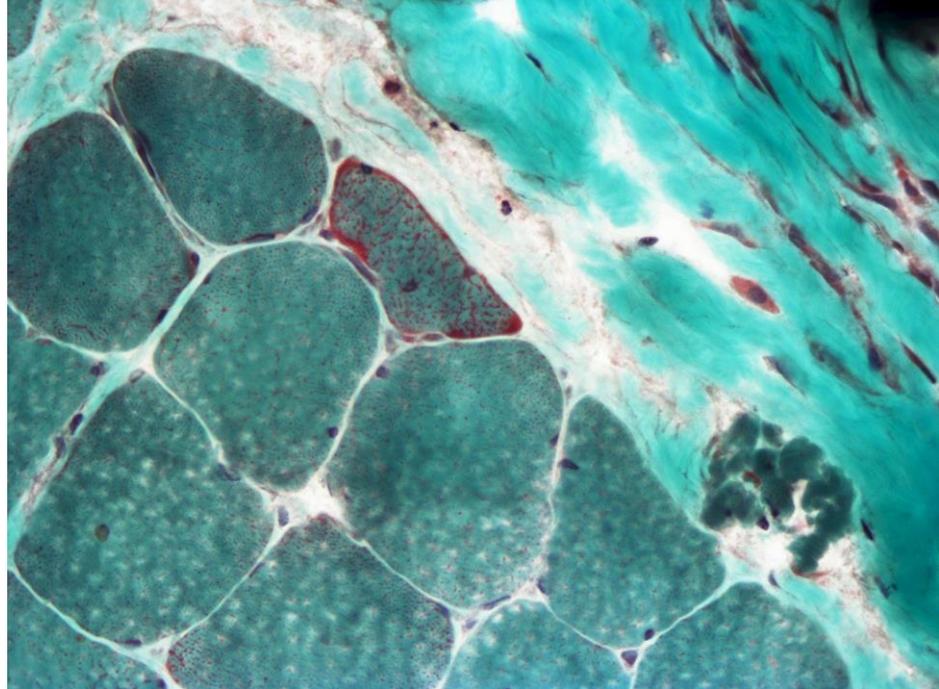
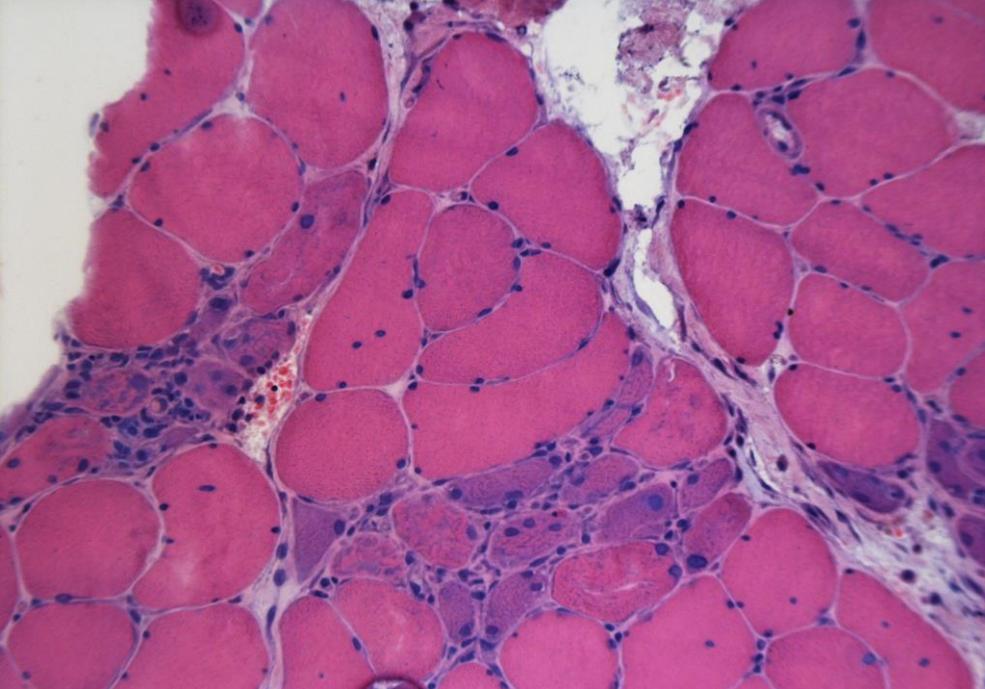
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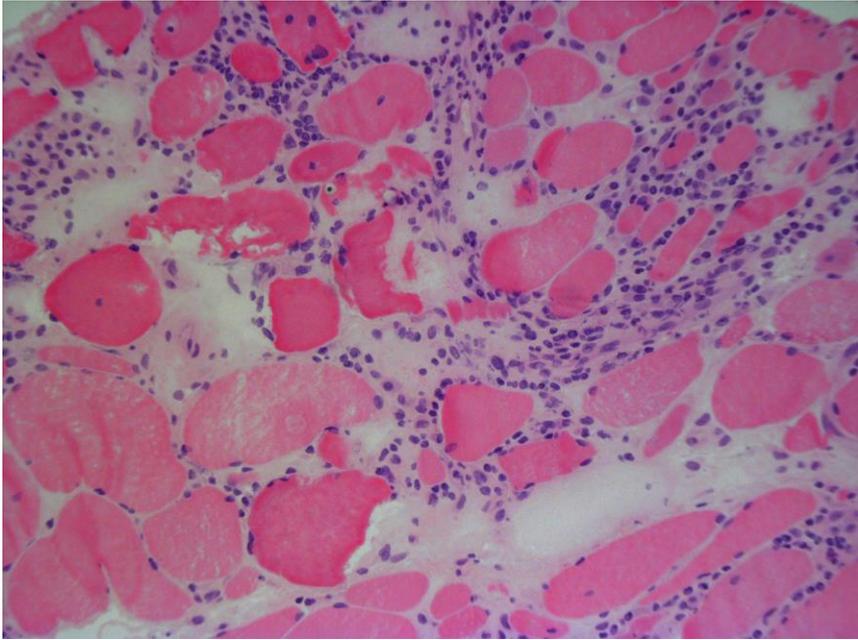




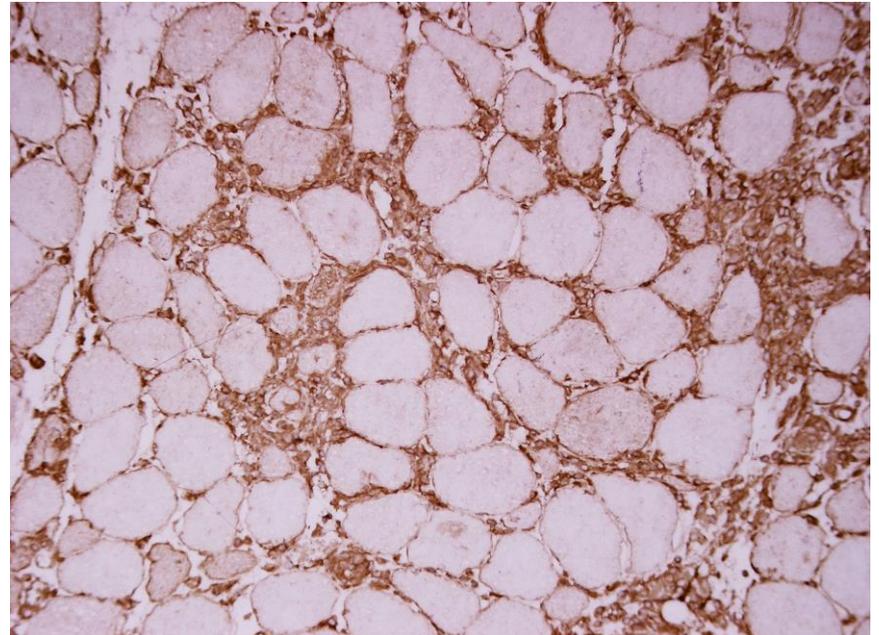
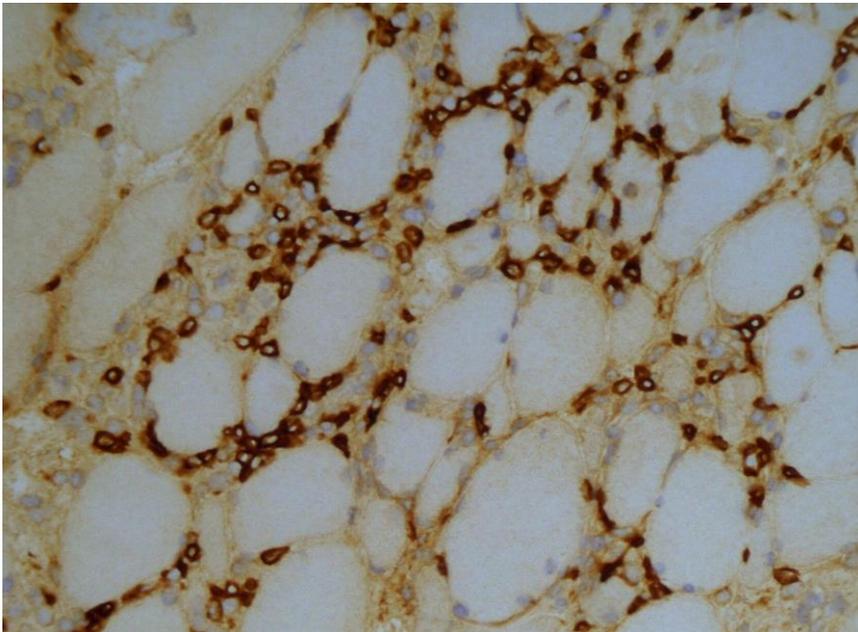
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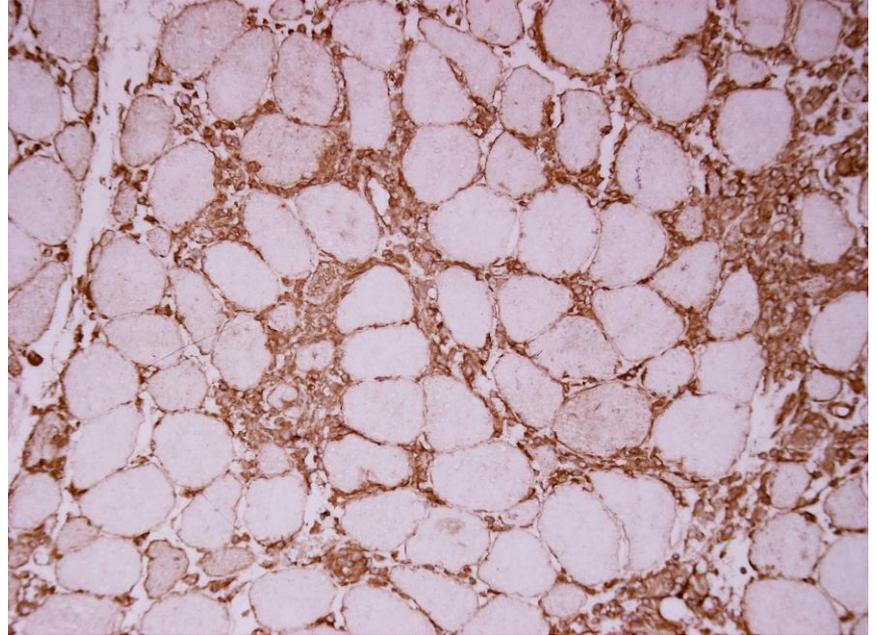
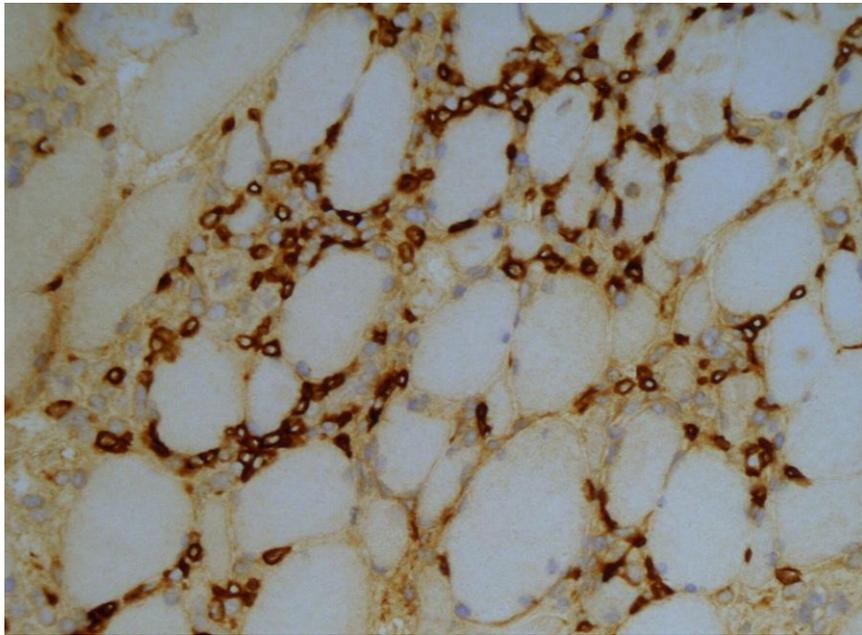
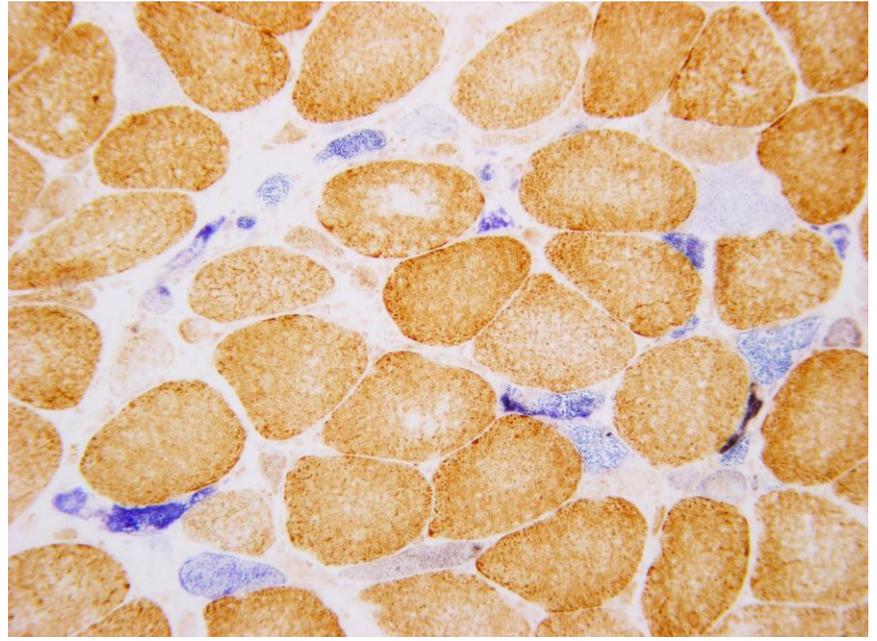
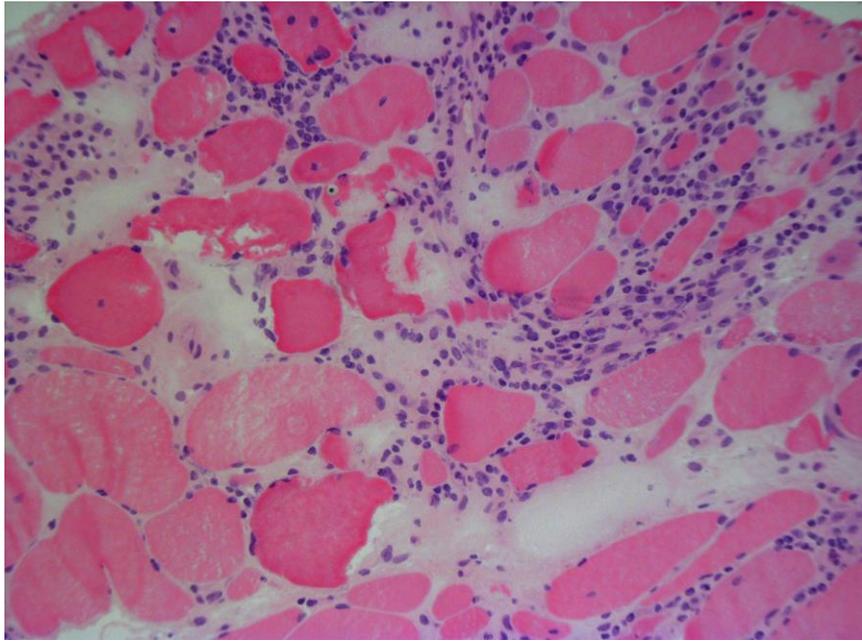


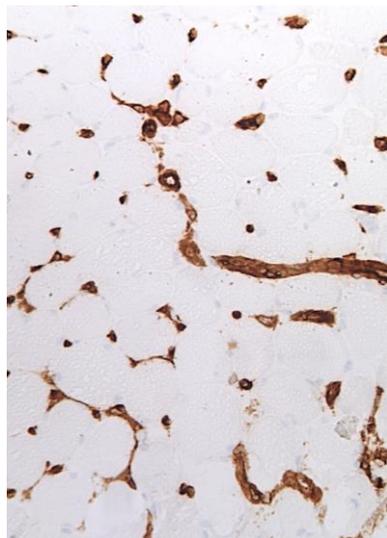
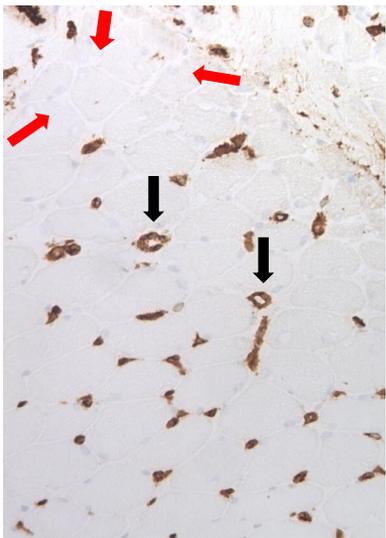
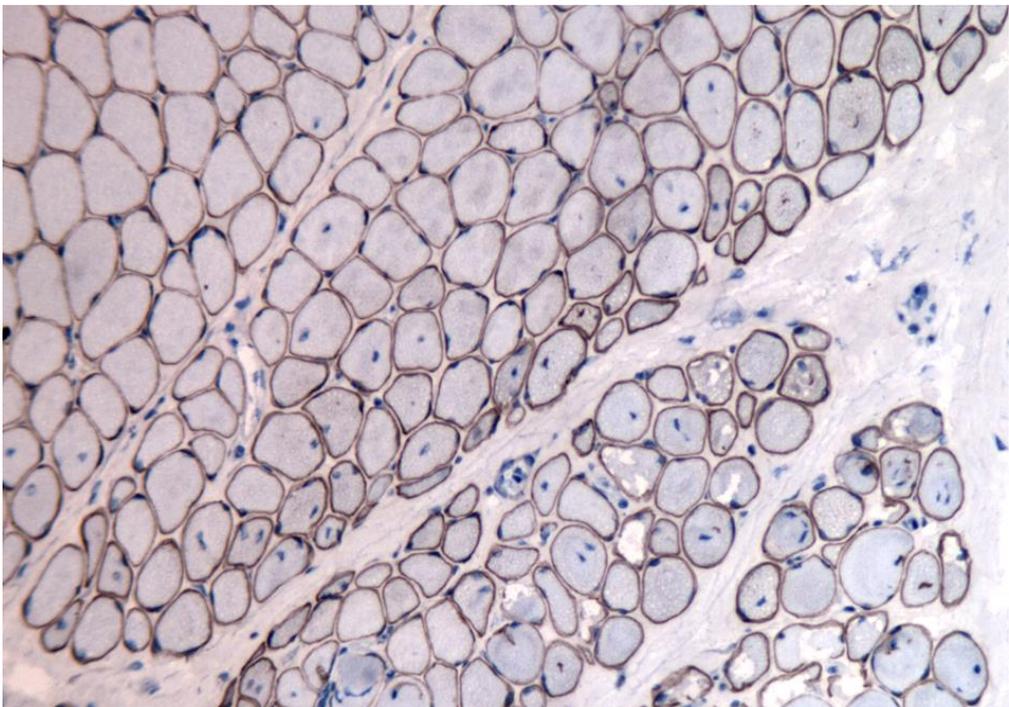
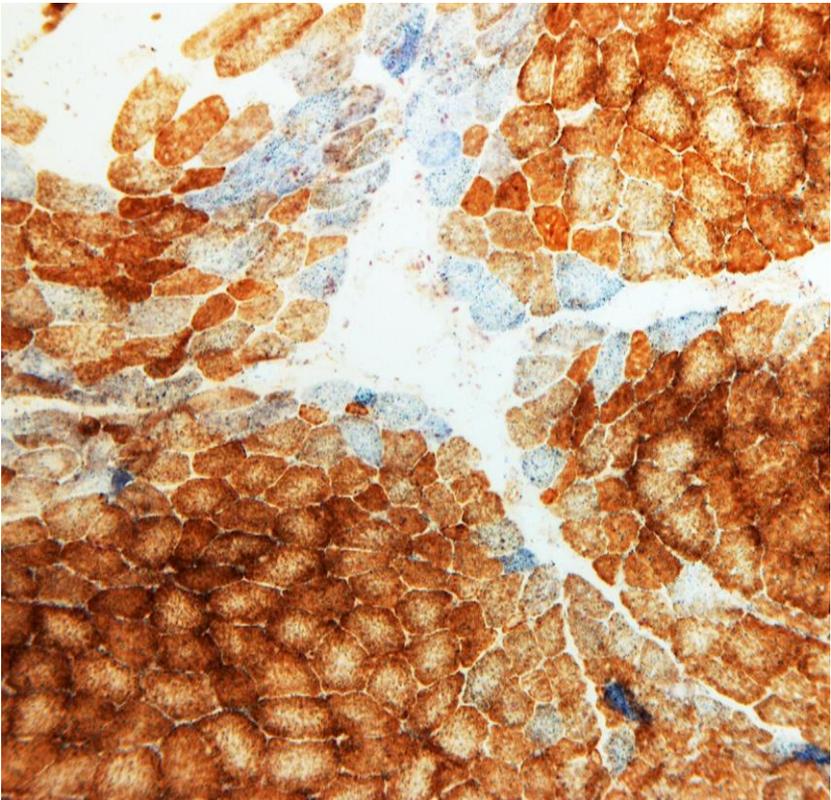
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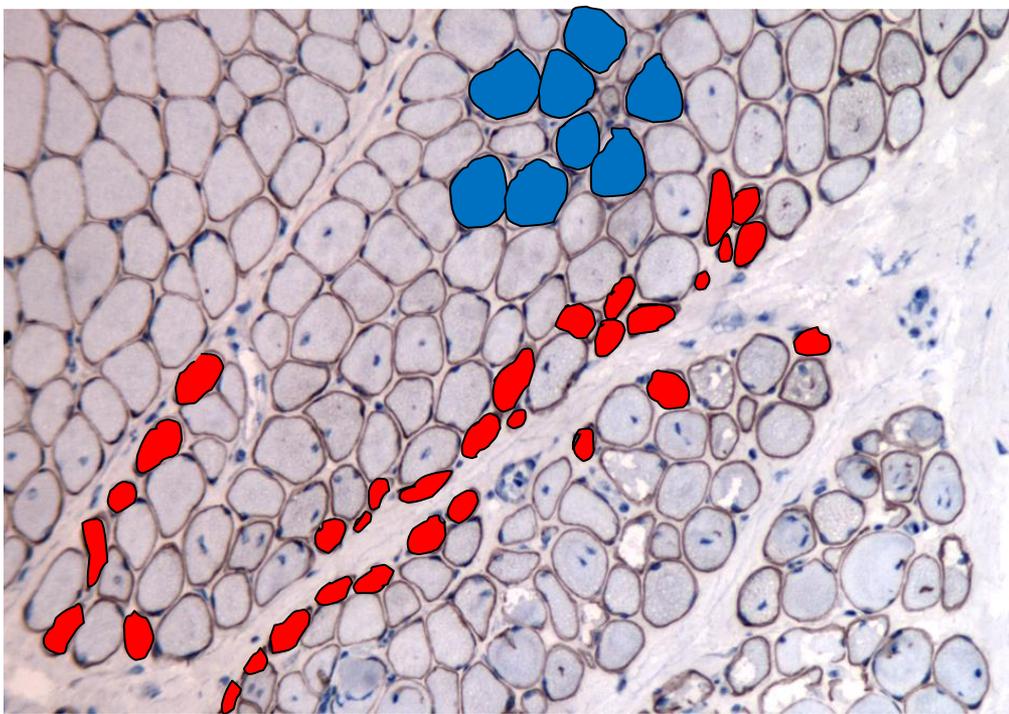
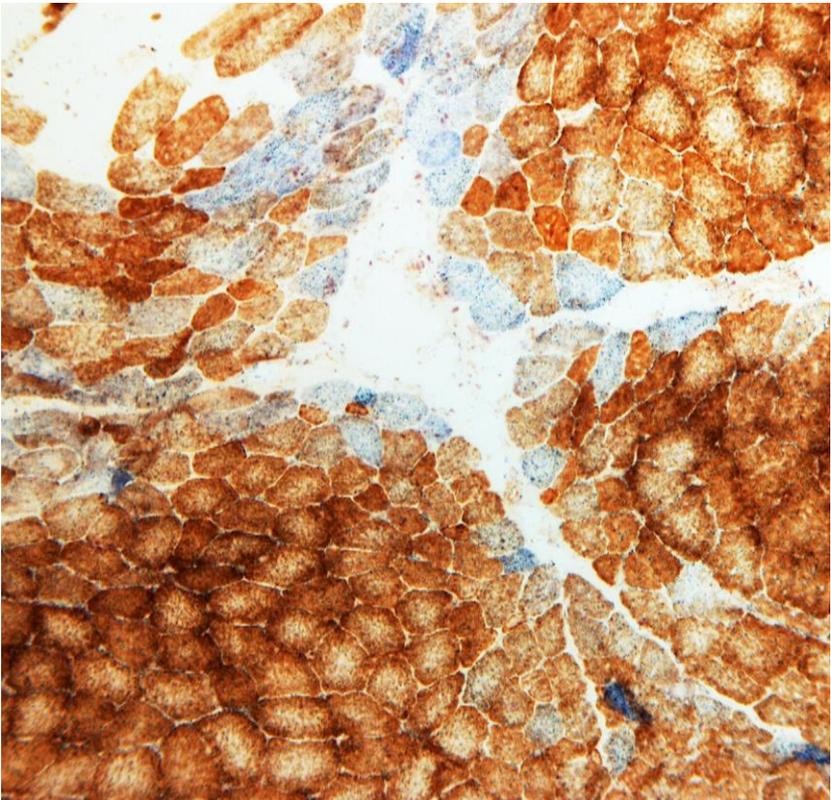
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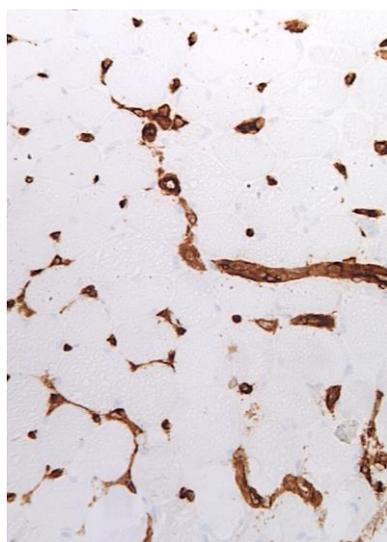
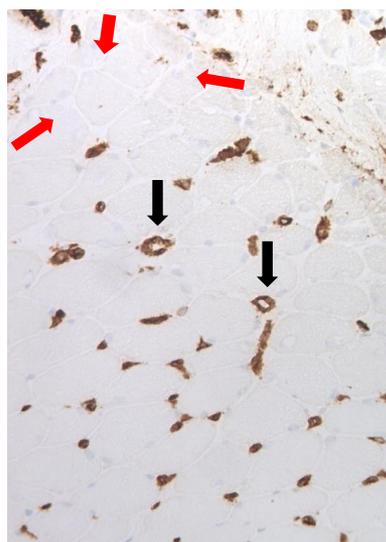


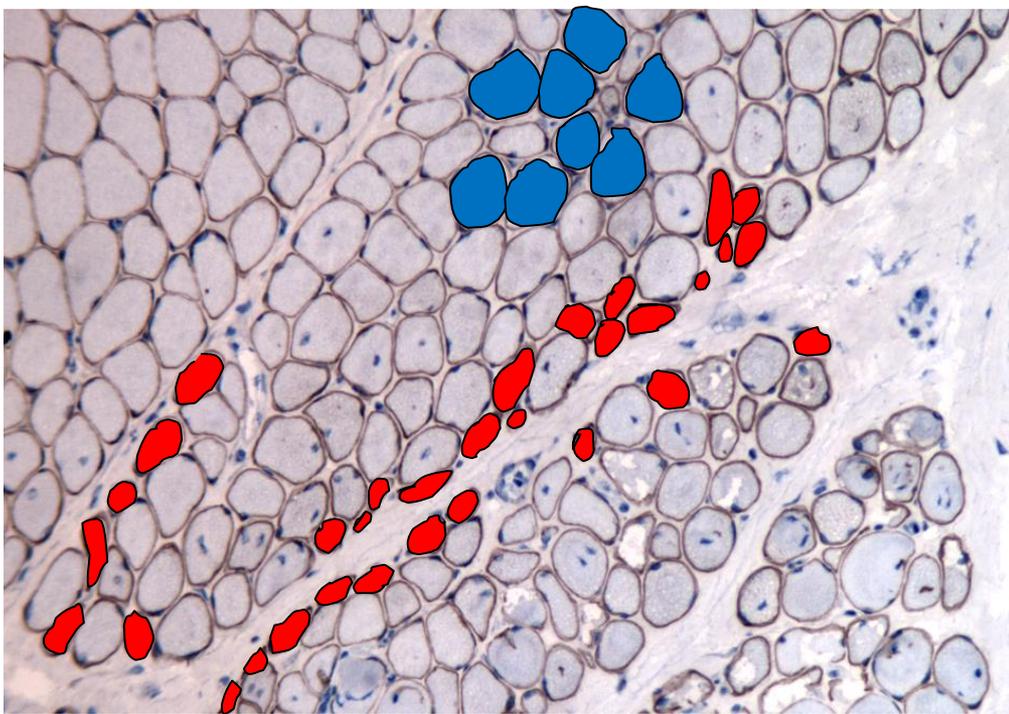
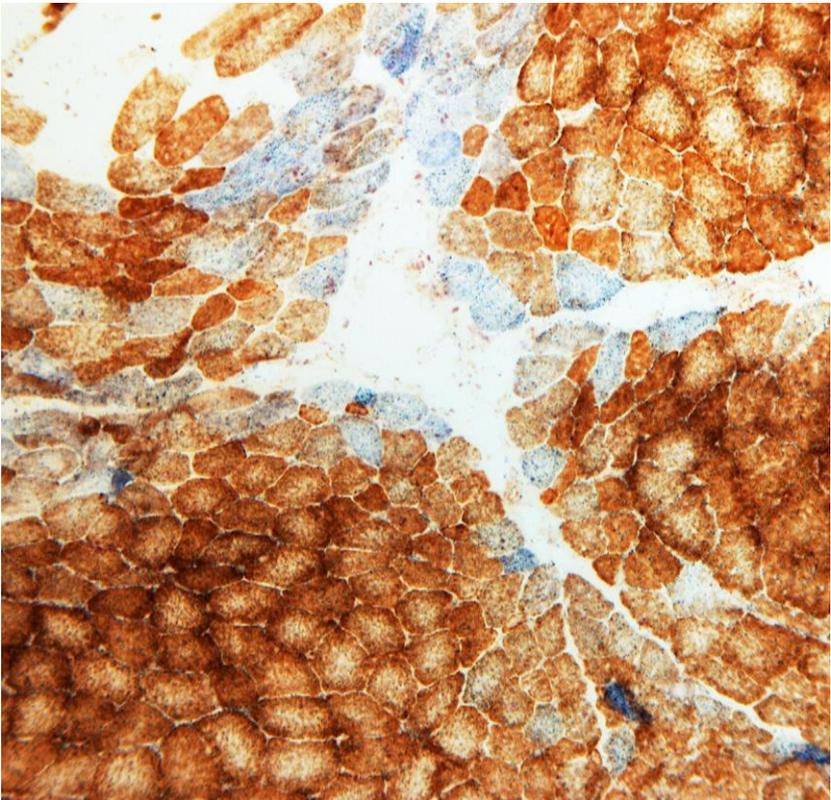


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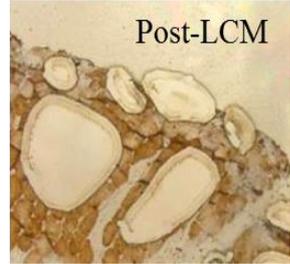
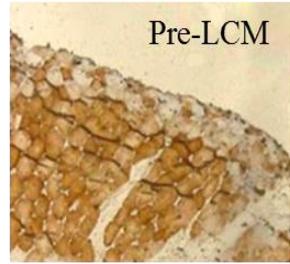
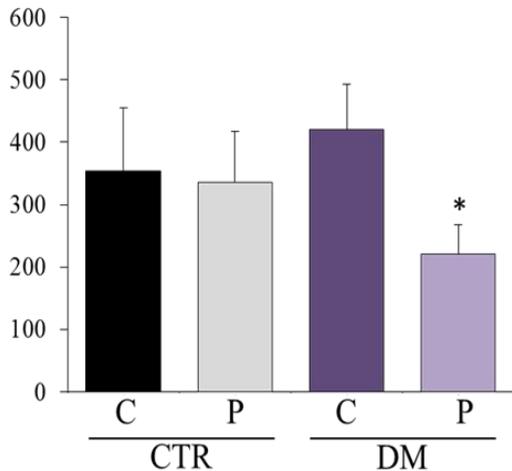
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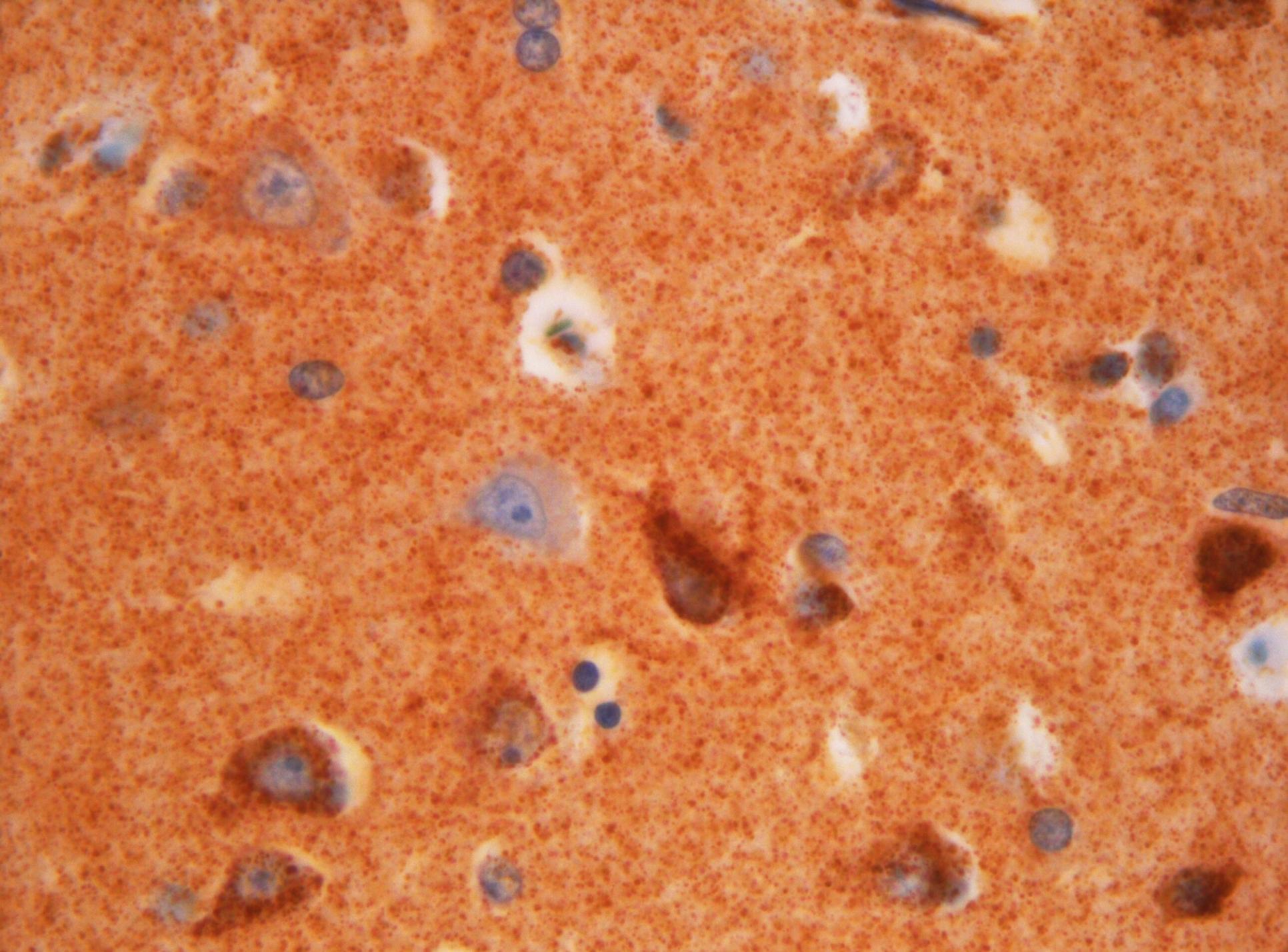


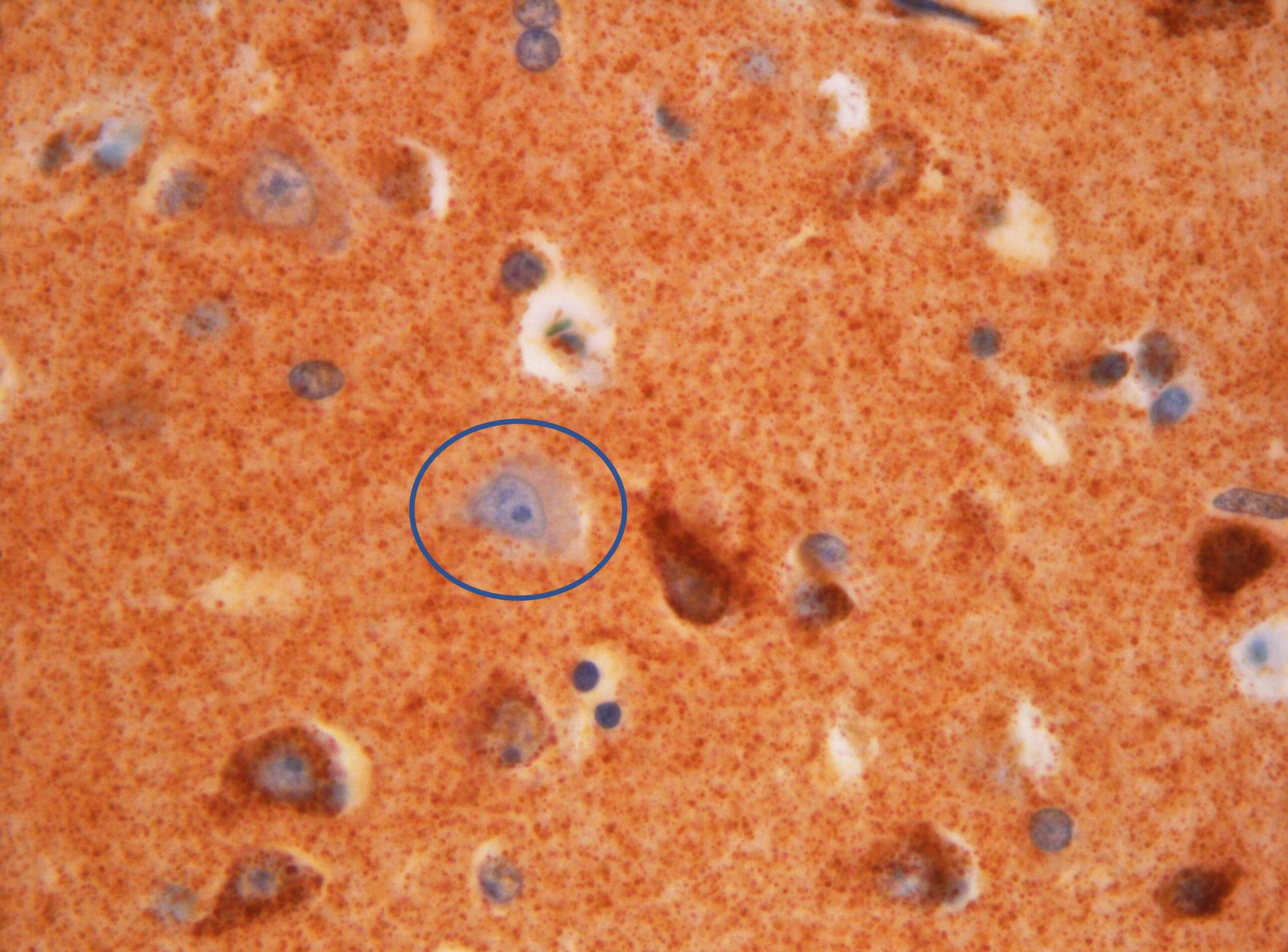


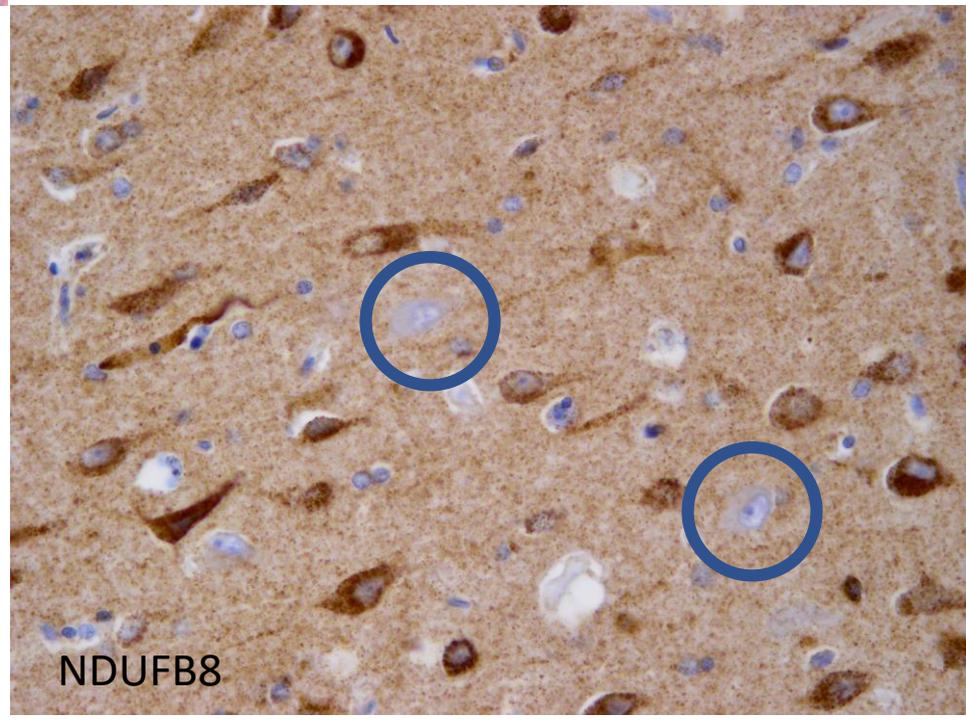
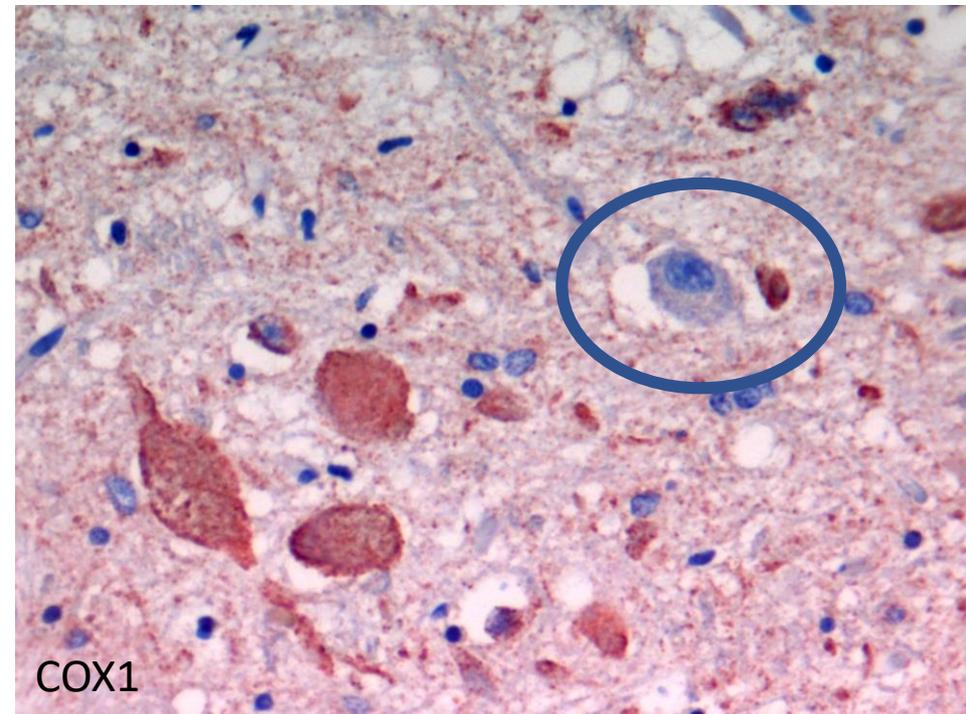
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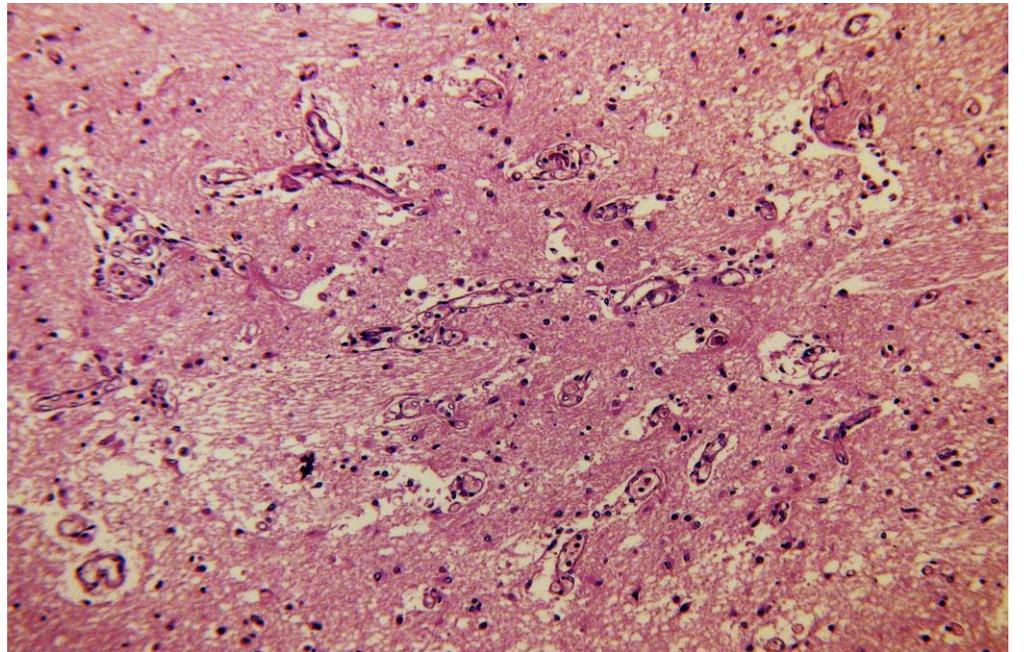
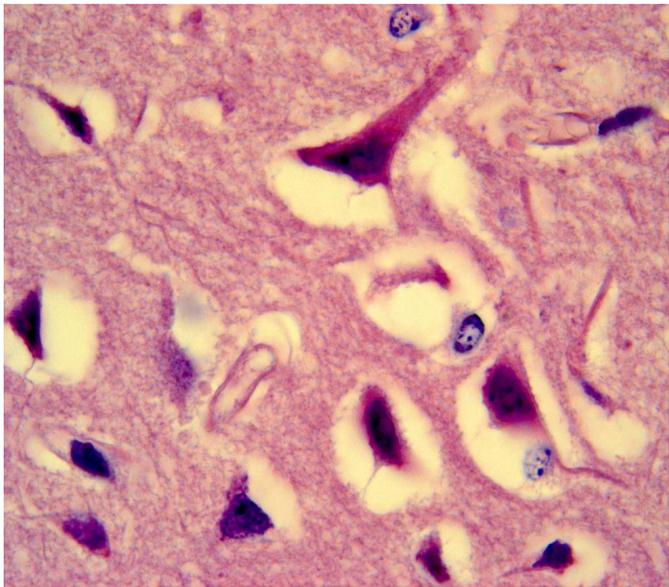
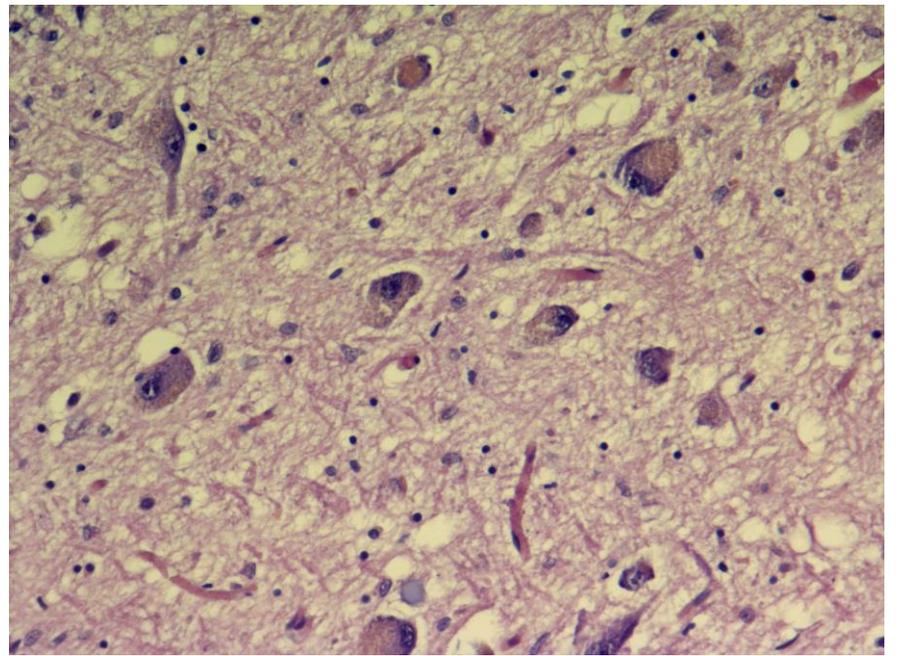
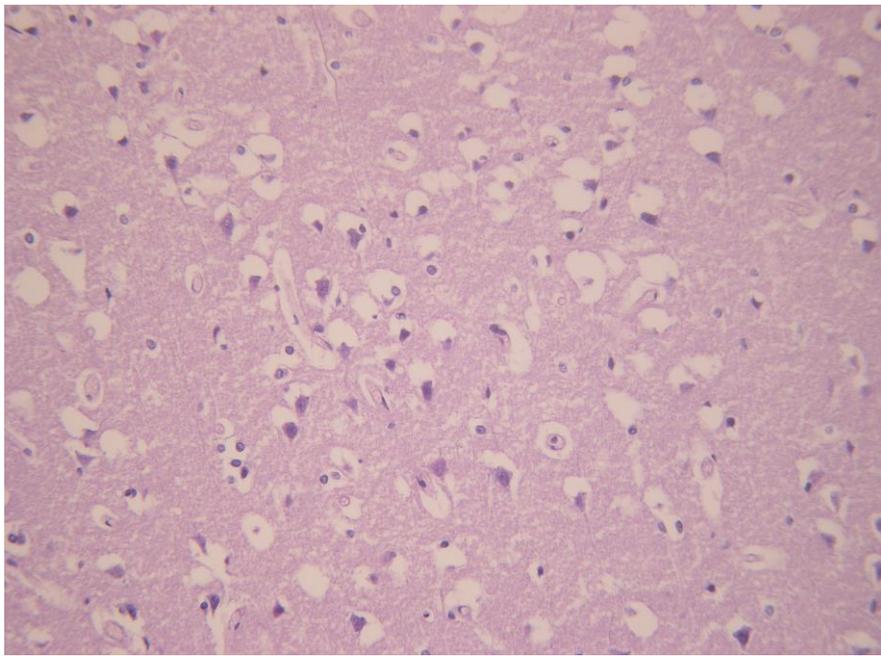


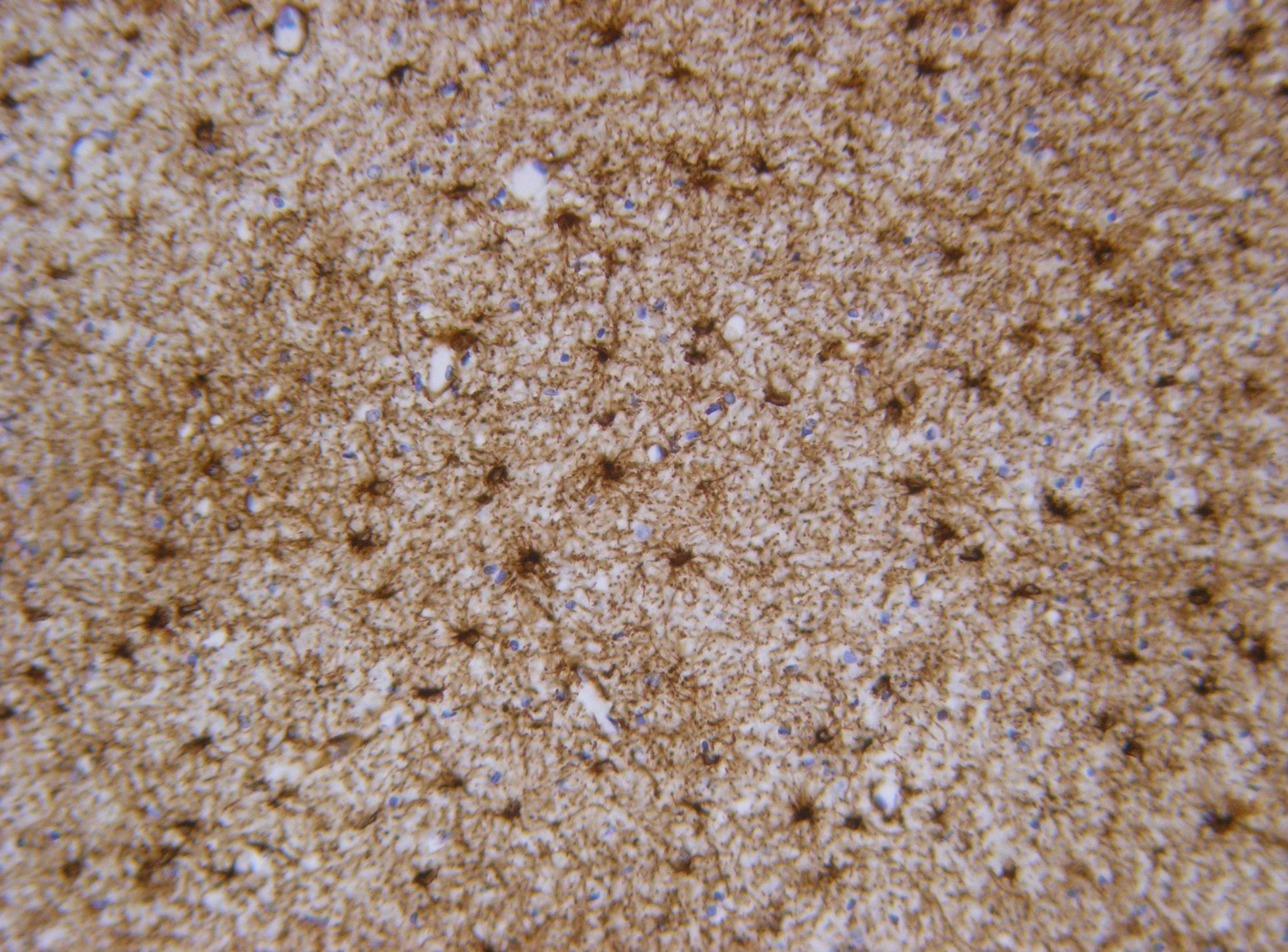


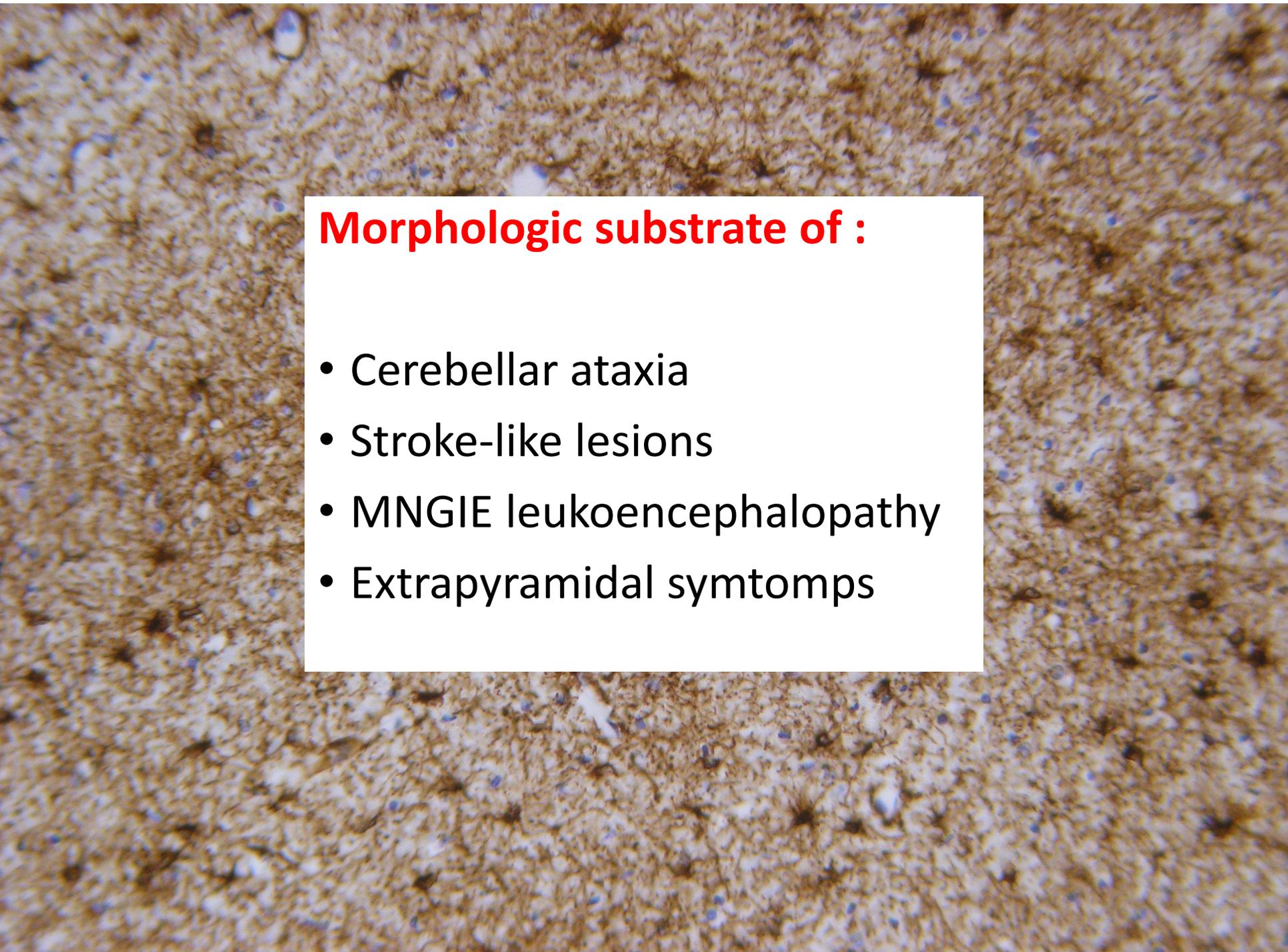




- The histopathological changes that occur in the central nervous system in mitochondrial diseases are *per se* non-specific.
- They can be acute and chronic, can affect both white and gray matter, can affect different regions of the central nervous system, often they do not correlate with the severity of the clinical picture.
- However, the peculiar distribution of the lesions is often sufficiently characteristic of specific clinical syndromes.







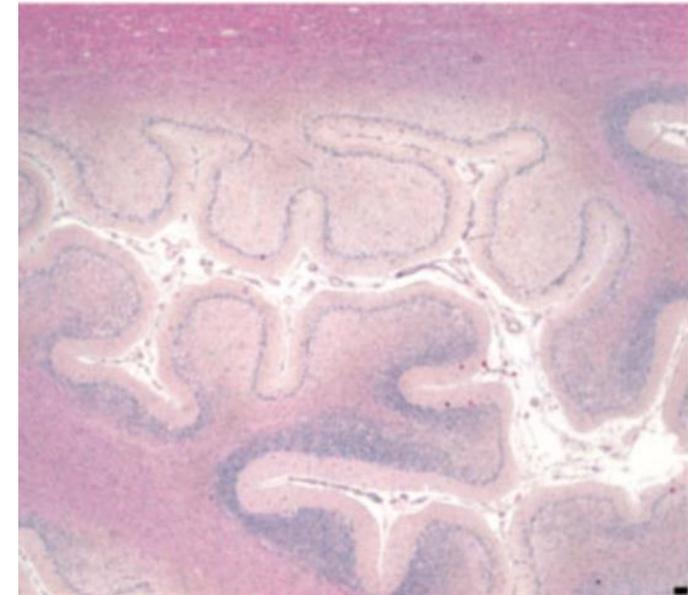
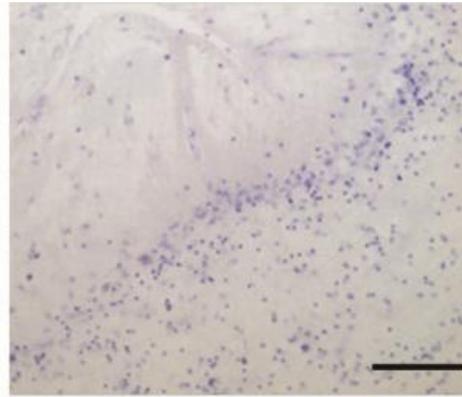
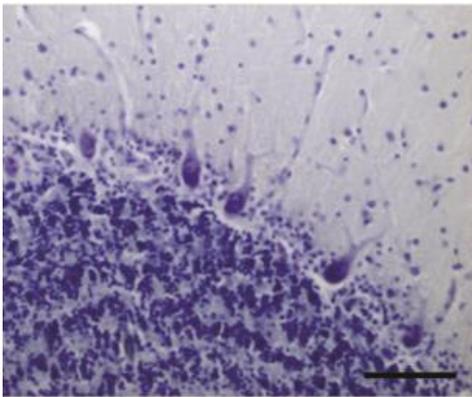
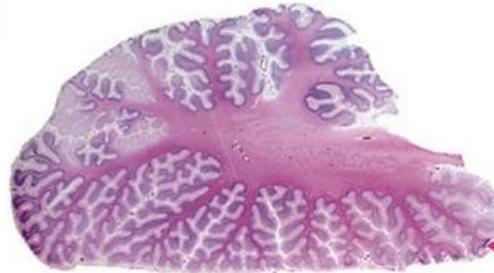
Morphologic substrate of :

- Cerebellar ataxia
- Stroke-like lesions
- MNGIE leukoencephalopathy
- Extrapyrarnidal symtoms

Morphologic substrate of cerebellar ataxia

Control subject

Patient with m.3243A>G mutation



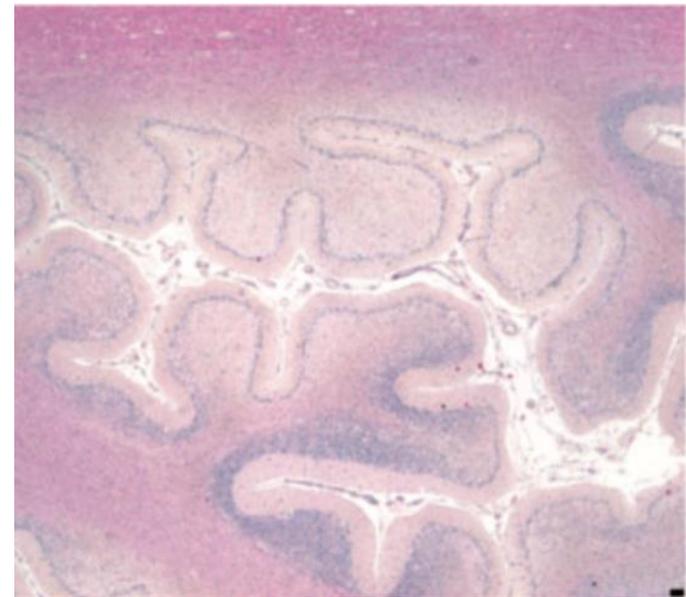
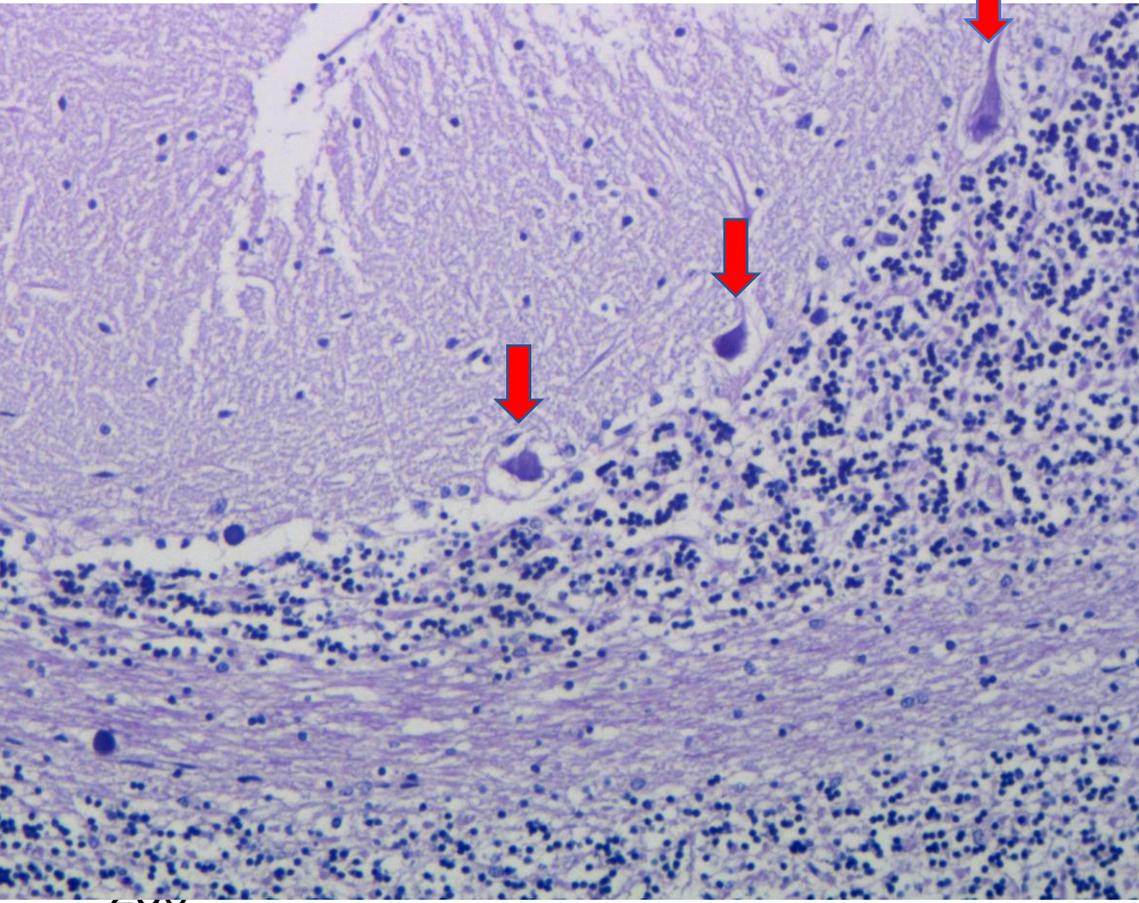
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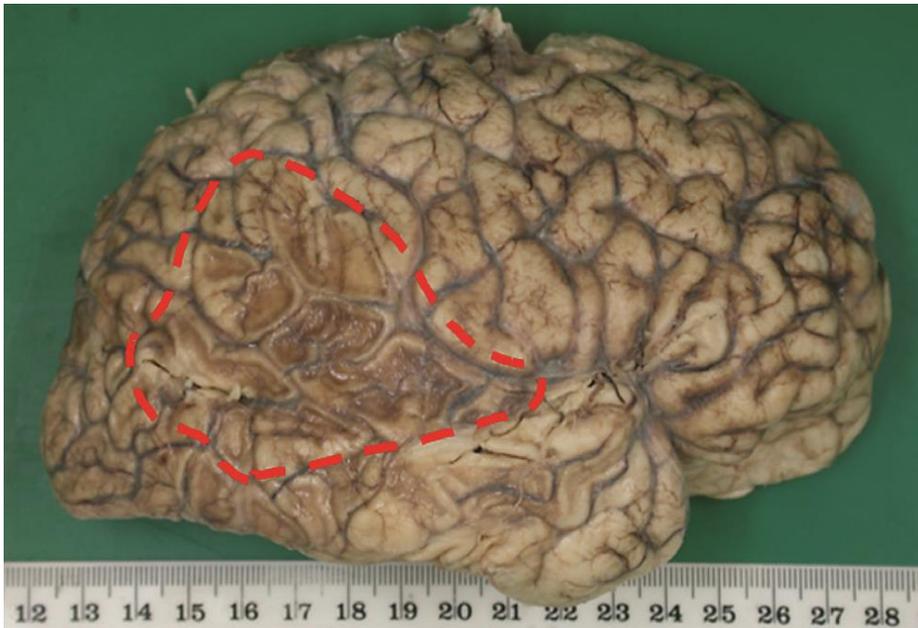
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Morphologic substrate of stroke-like lesions

- Multiple foci of neuronal necrosis that do not conform to major vascular territories => focal energy-dependent neuronal necrosis
- They affect the posterior cerebral cortex, basal ganglia and cerebellum of patients bearing MT-TL1 , MT-TK and other mtDNA point mutations, mutations in POLG and FBXL4
- They are ischaemic-like in appearance, exhibiting neuronal cell loss, destruction of the neuropil and subcortical white matter accompanied by proliferation of astrocytes and inflammatory cells.



J Betts Neuropathology and Applied Neurobiology (2006), 32, 359–373

Morphologic substrate of stroke-like lesions

- Mitochondrial angiopathic theory
- Mitochondrial cytopathic theory,
- Neuronal hyperexcitability theory



Evidence of strongly SDH reactive microvessels which show accumulation of mitochondria and high mutant load. Plasma protein extravasation following fibrinogen and IgG immunohistochemistry suggest that vessels damage might compromise cerebrovascular autoregulation and therefore blood vessel tone.



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Morphologic substrate of stroke-like lesions

Microangiopathy in the cerebellum of patients with mitochondrial DNA disease

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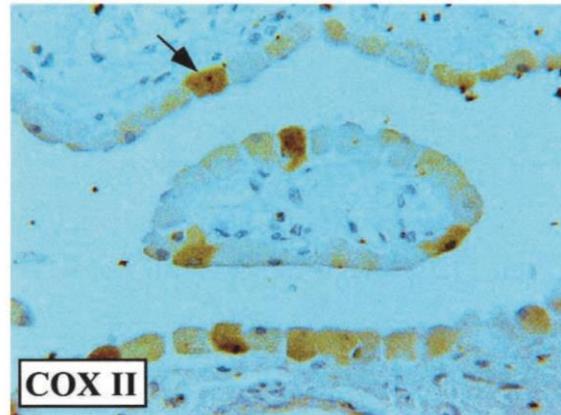
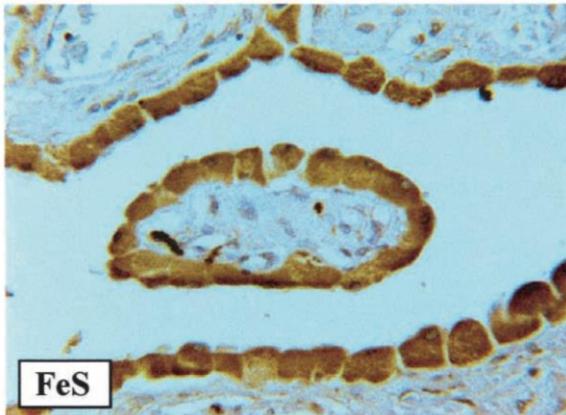
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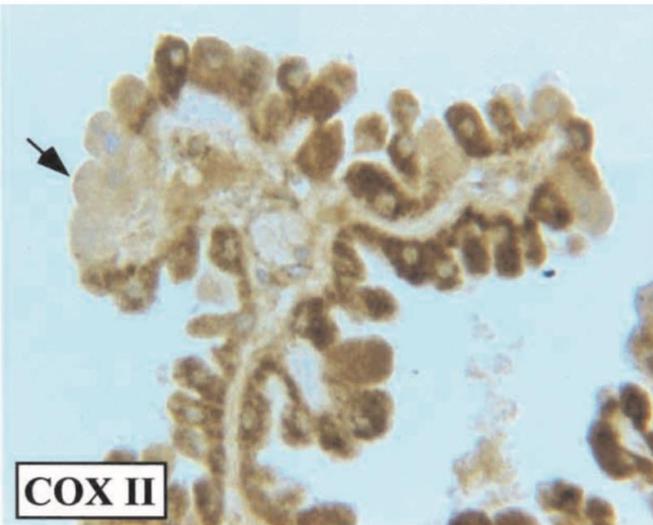
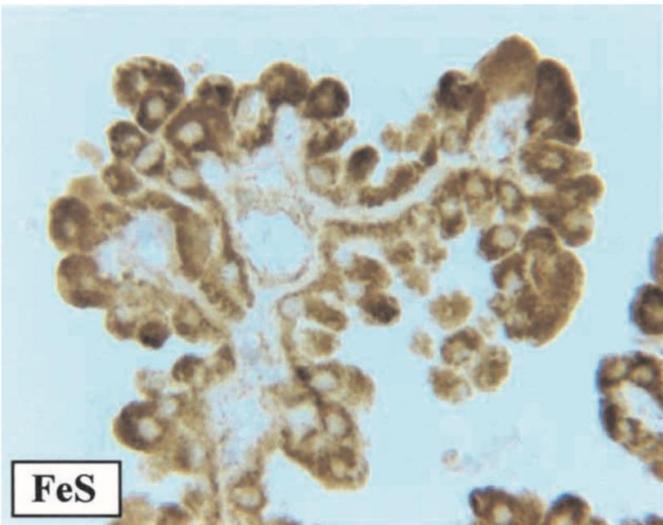
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Neuropathological features of mitochondrial disorders

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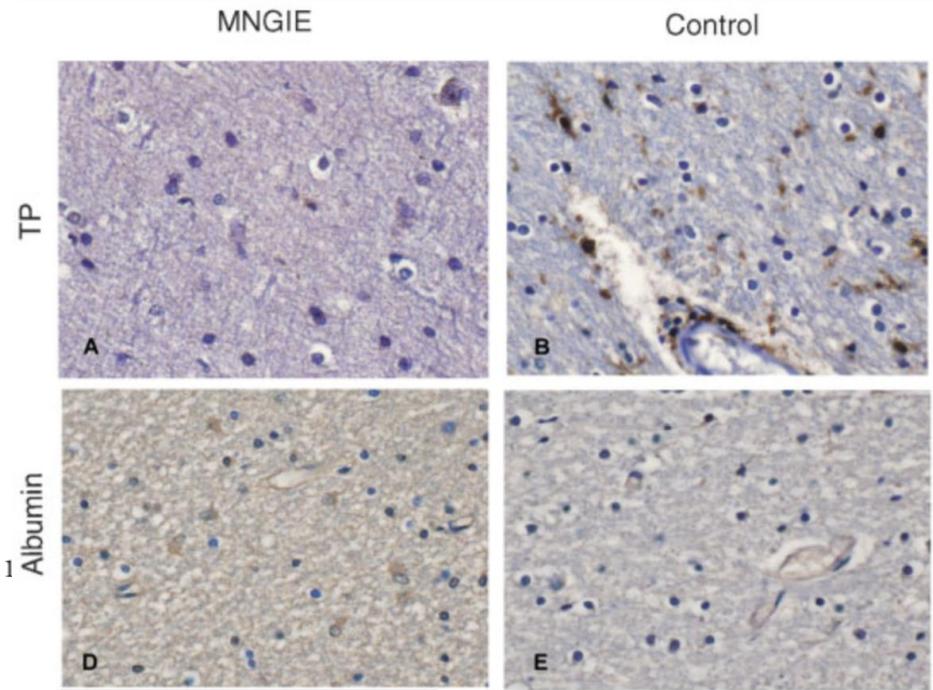


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Morphologic substrate of leukoencephalopathy in MNGIE

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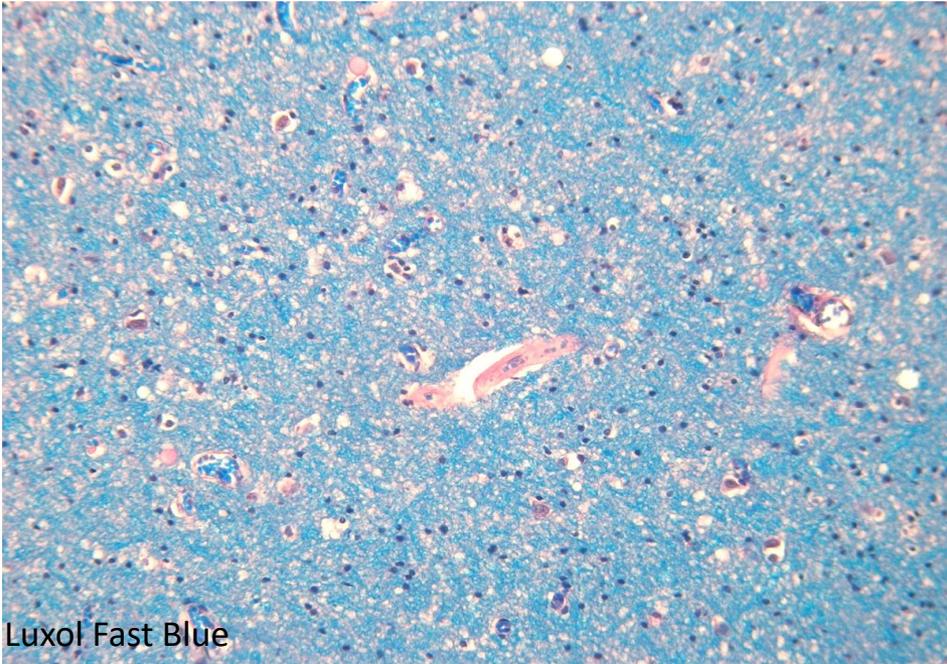
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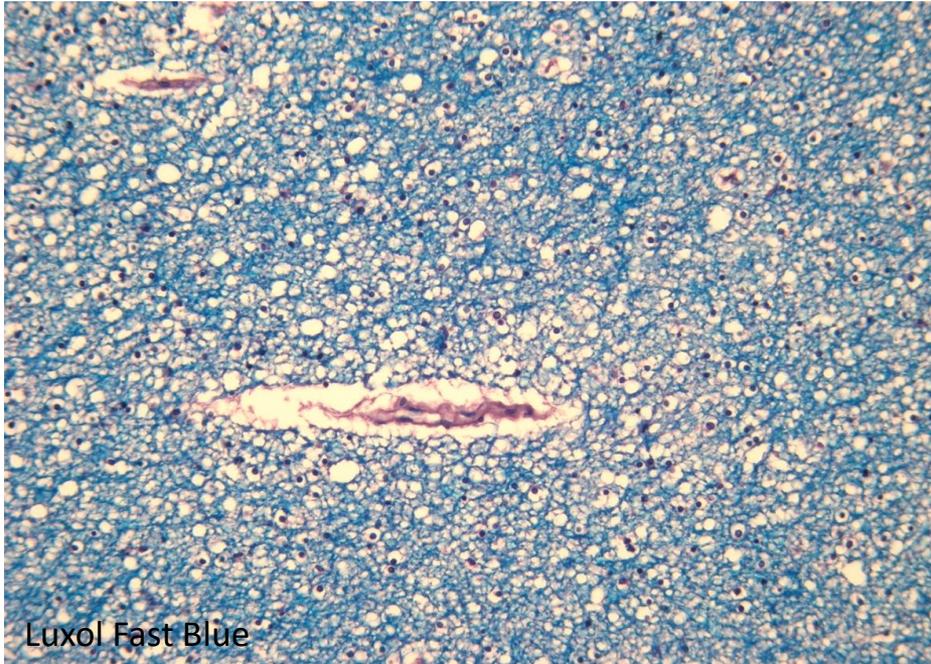
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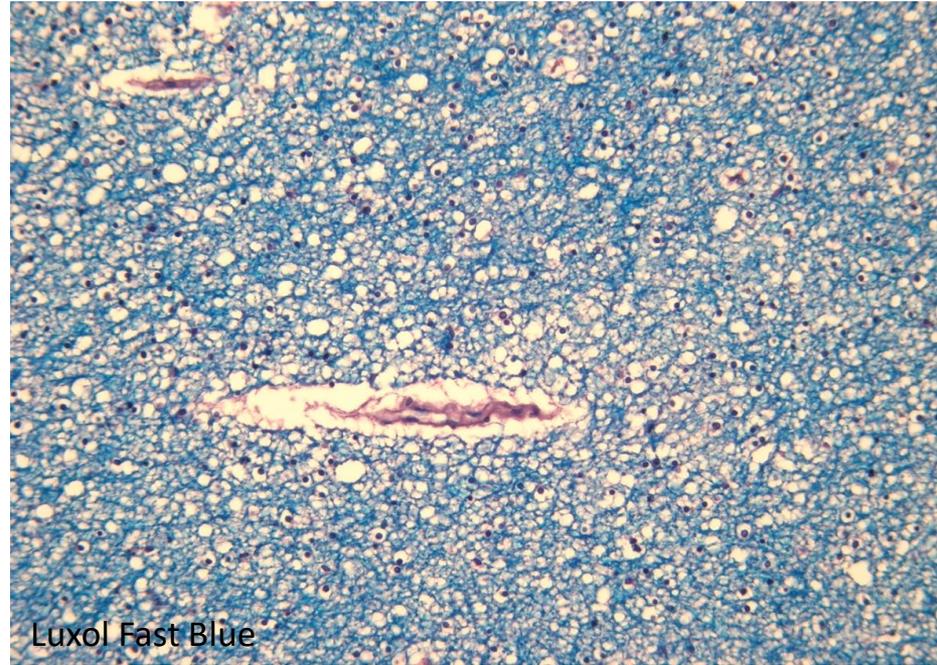
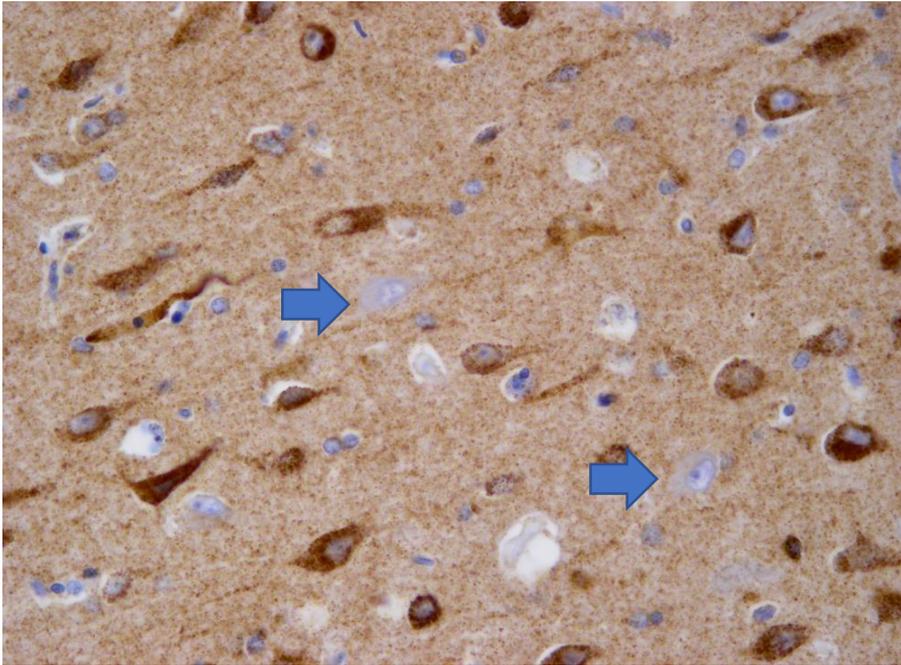
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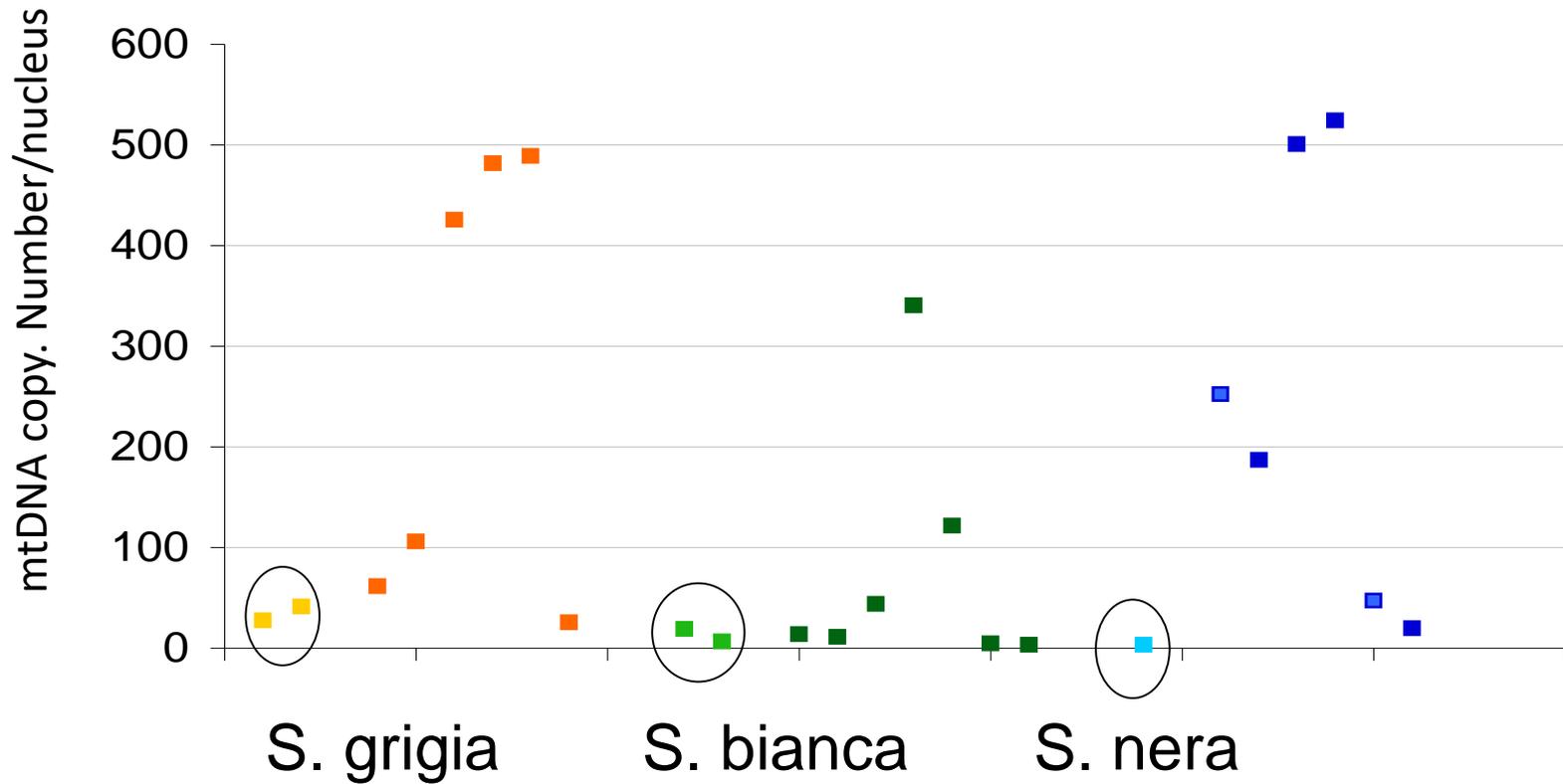
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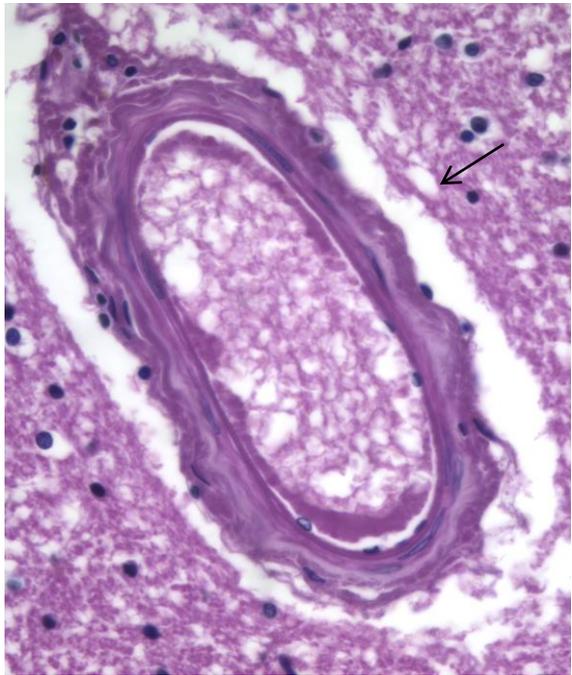
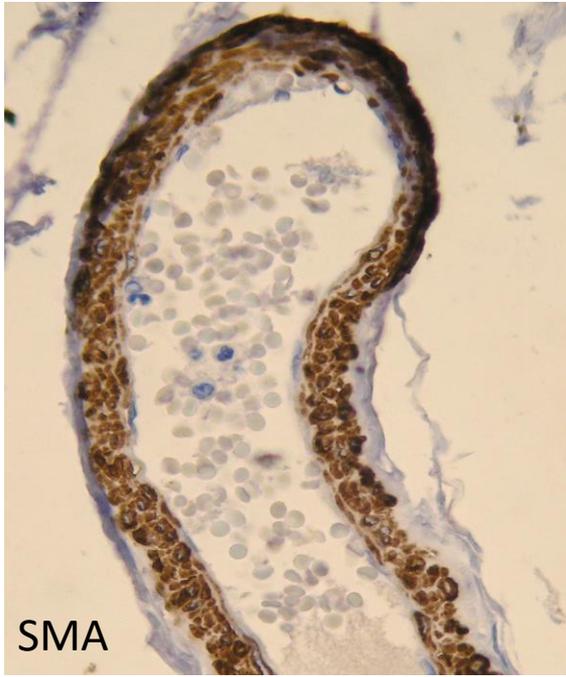
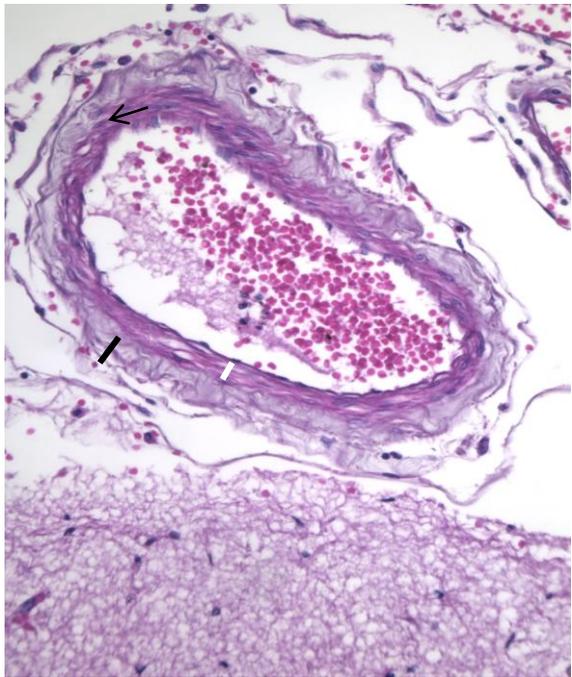


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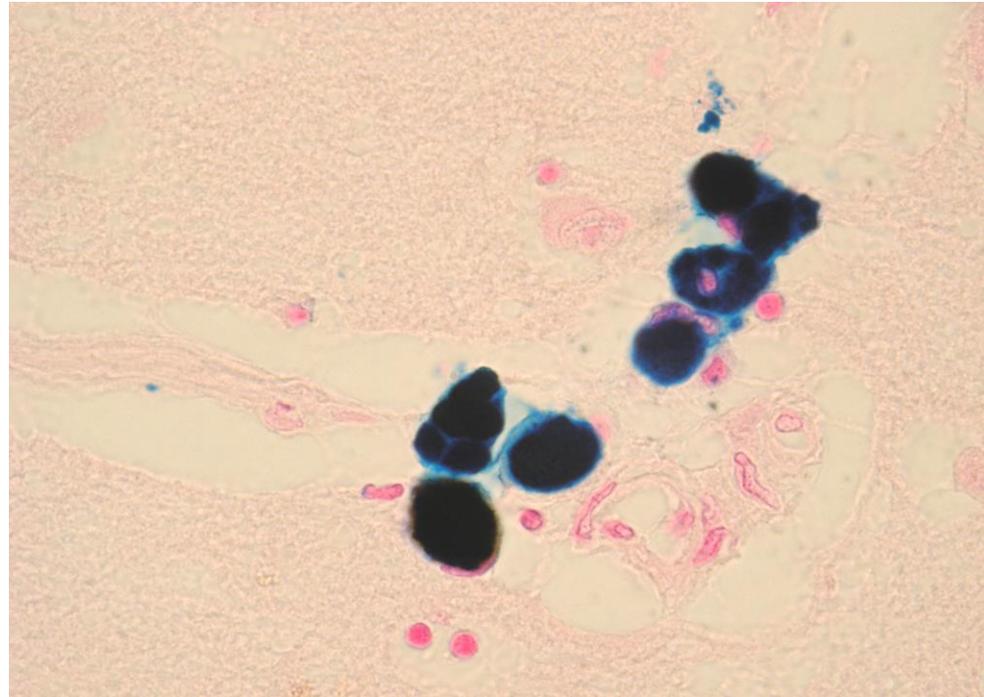
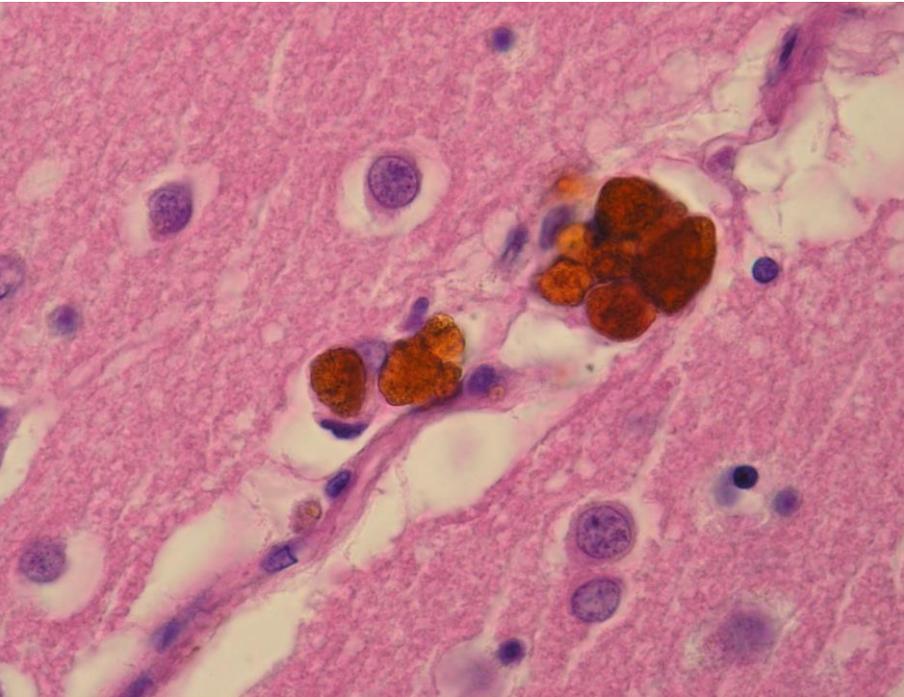


Evaluation of mtDNA copy number in different regions of MNGIE brain by LCM

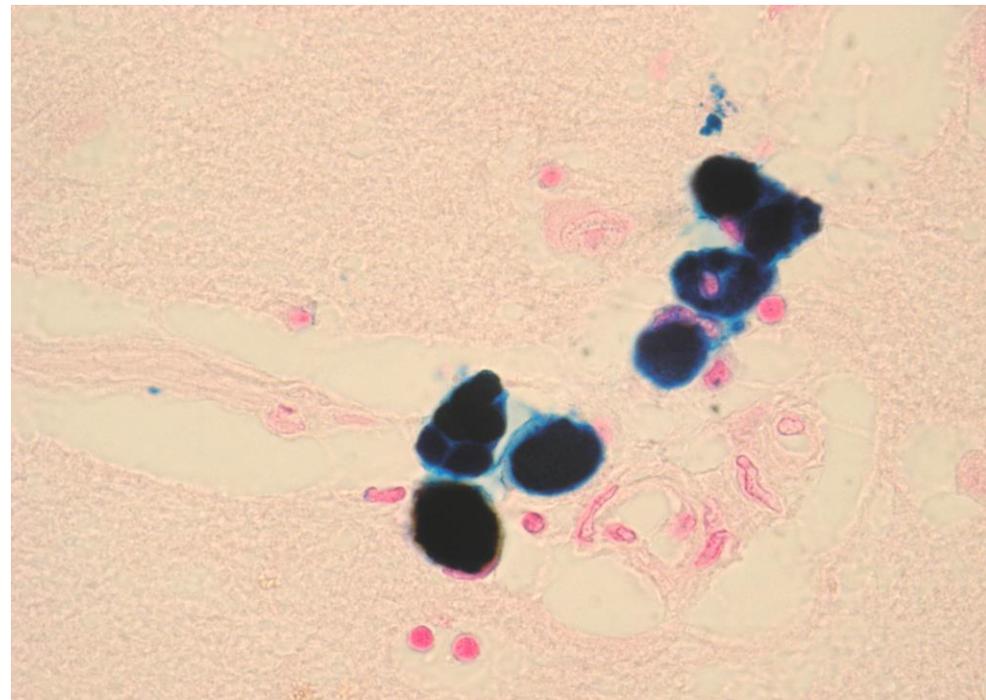
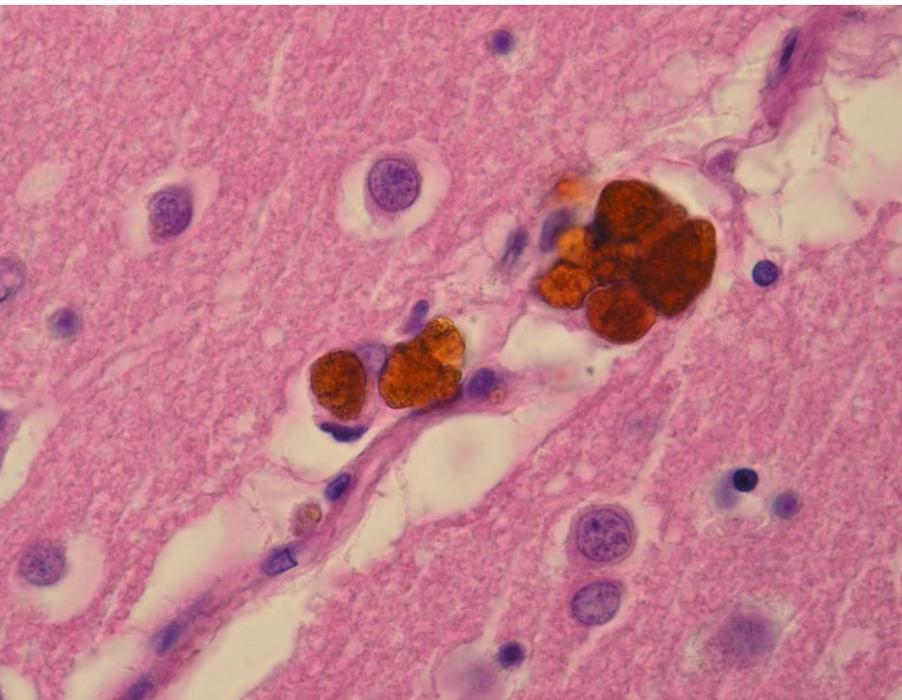




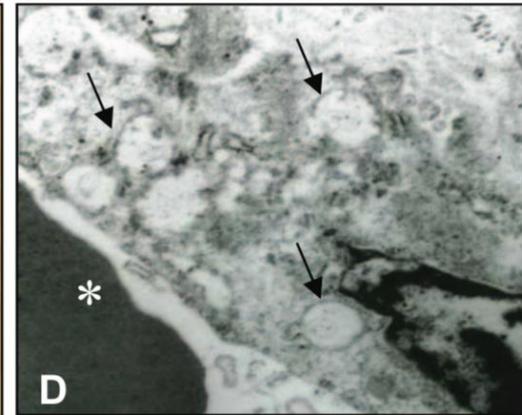
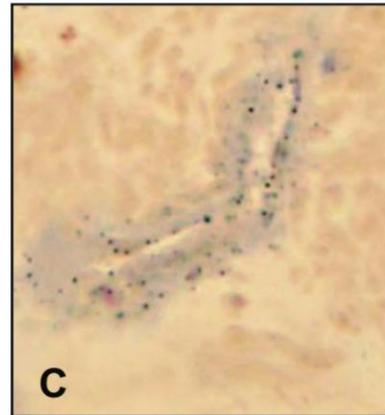
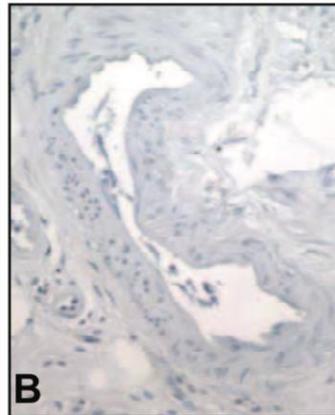
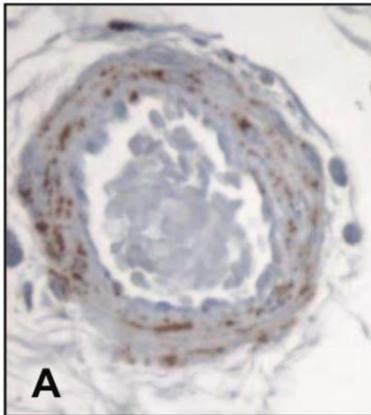
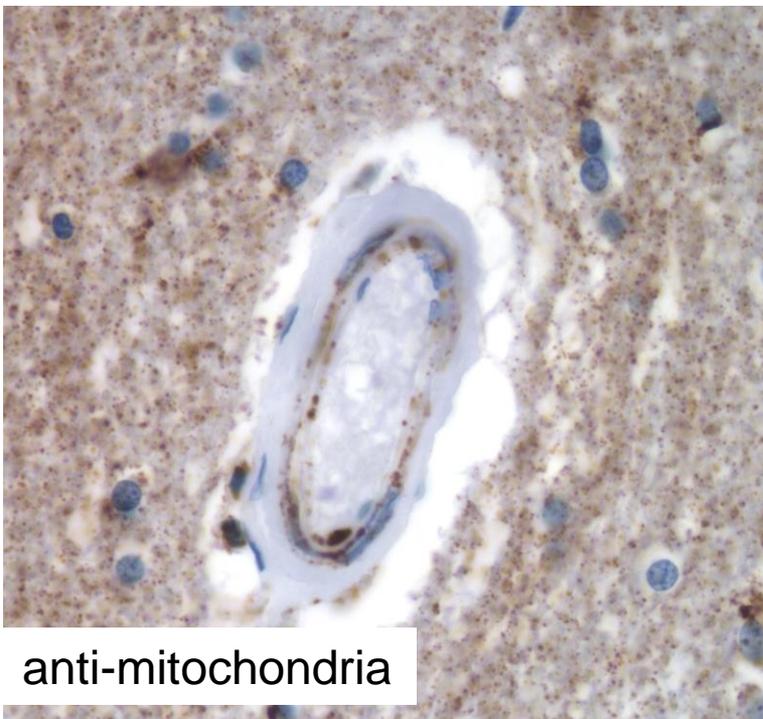
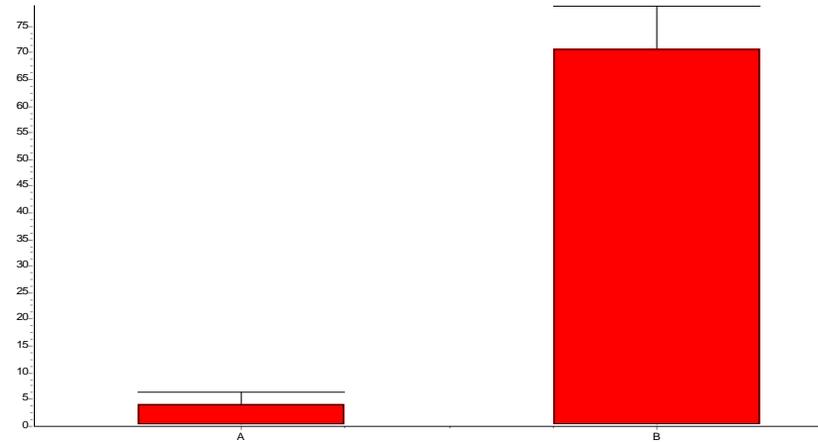
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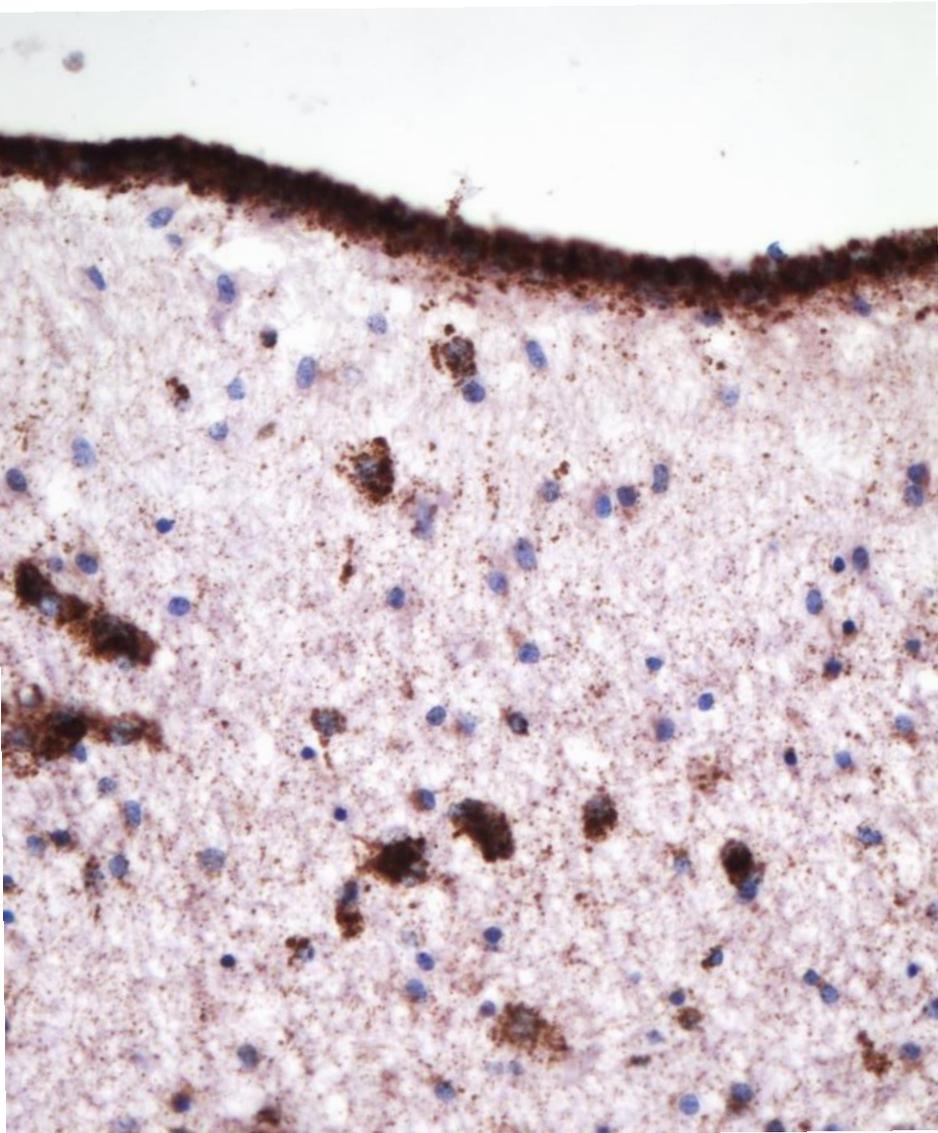


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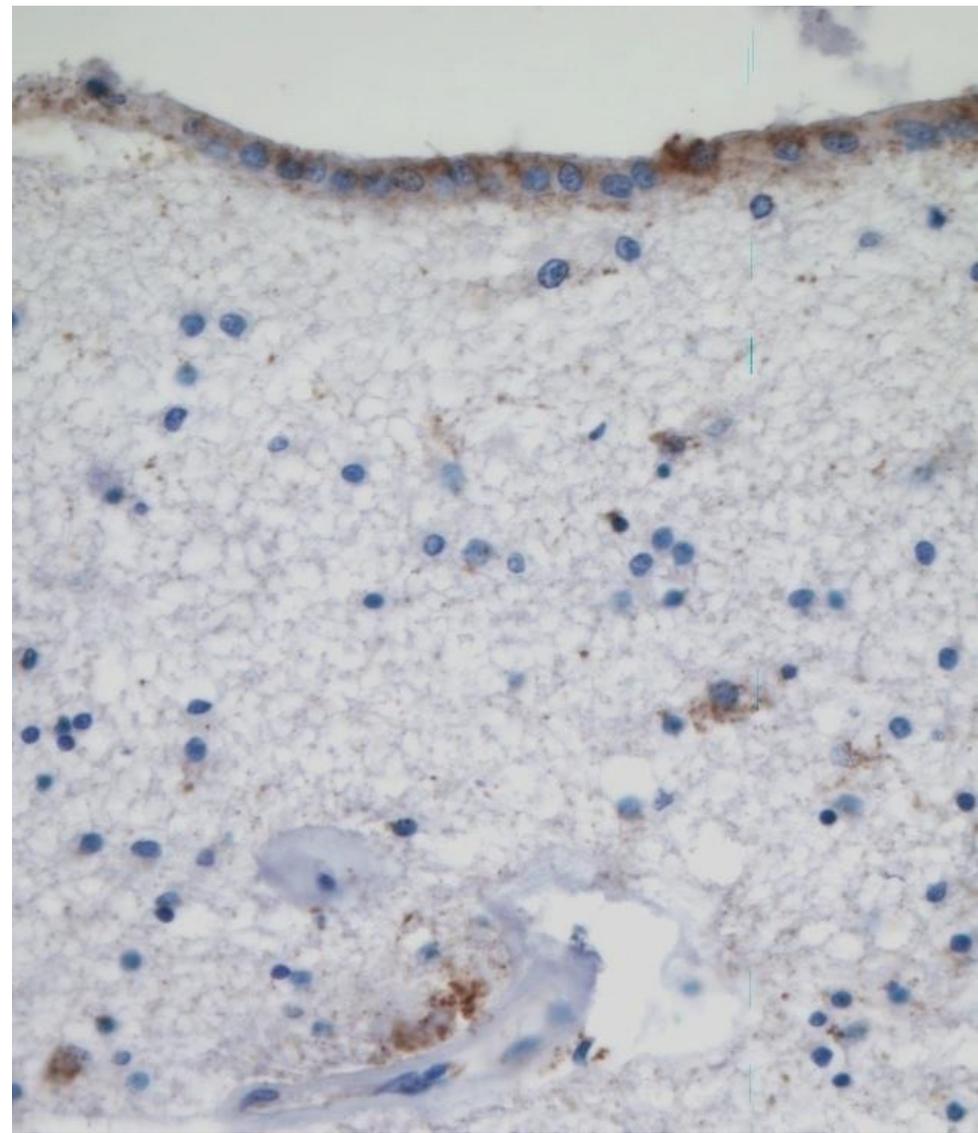


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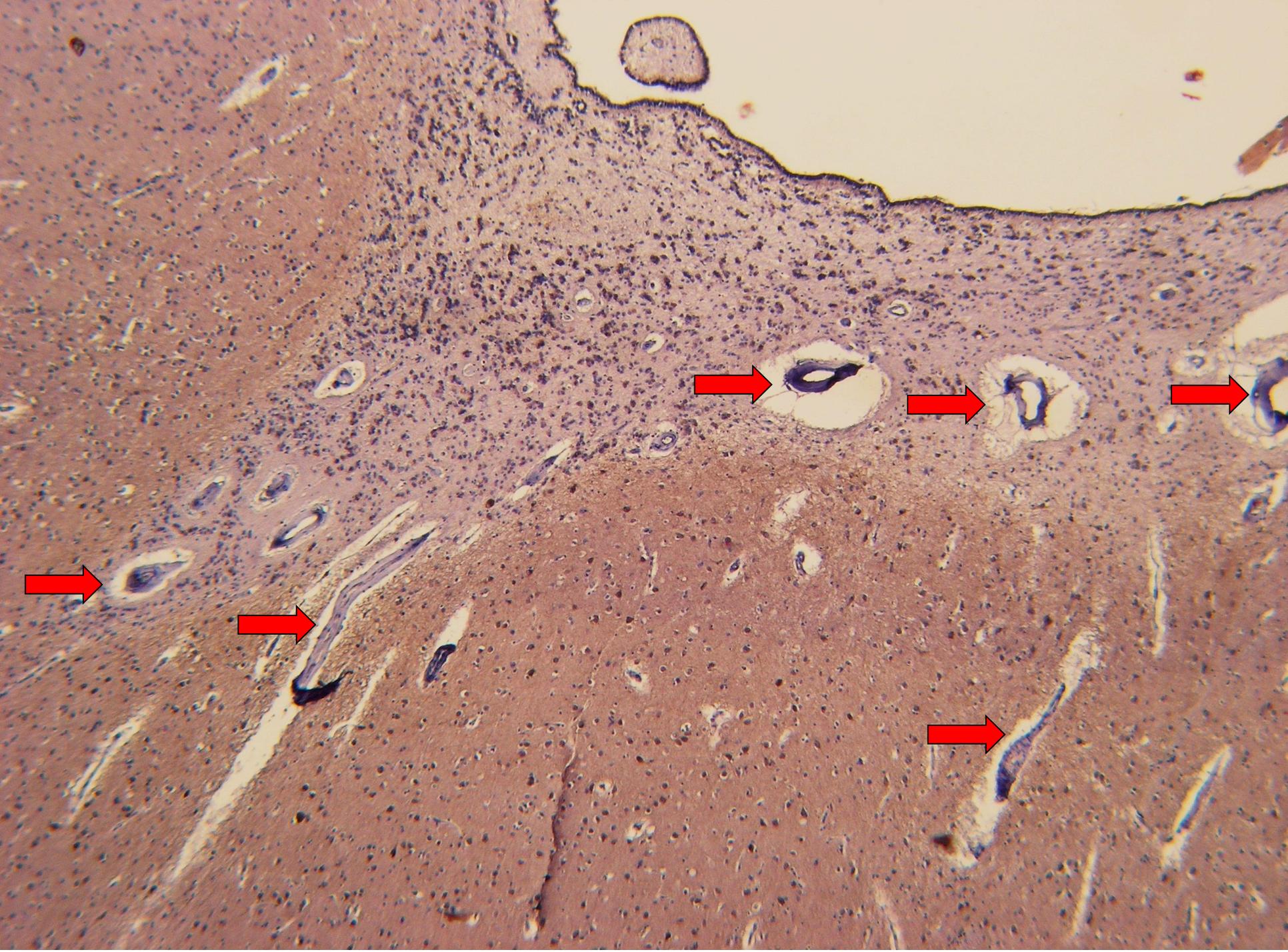
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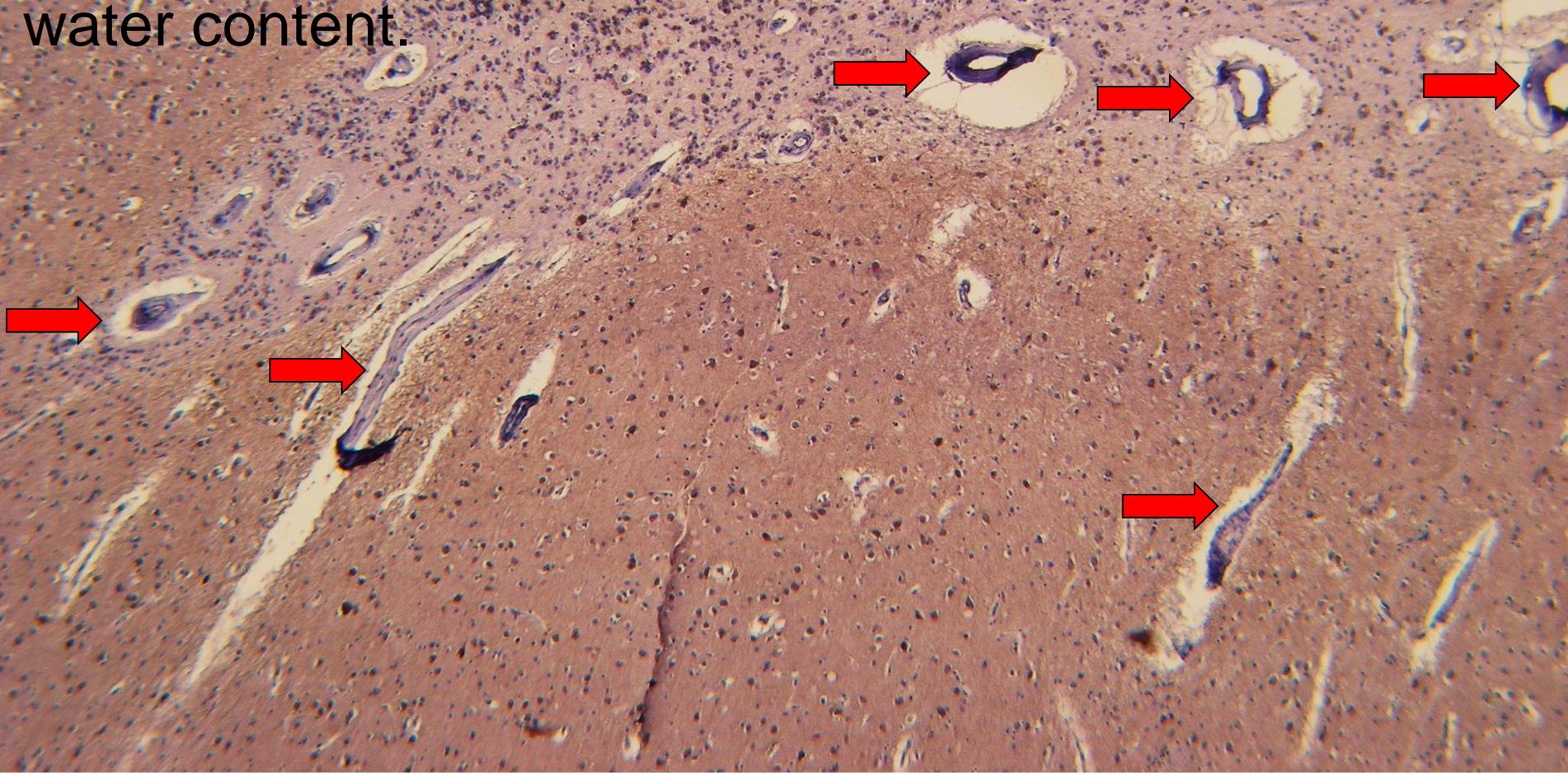
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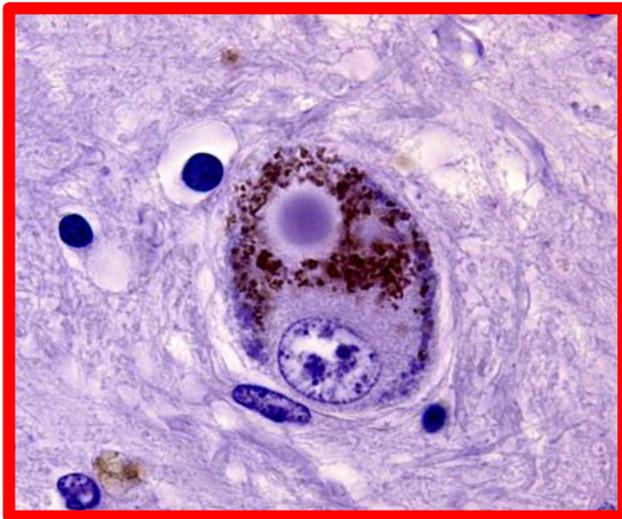
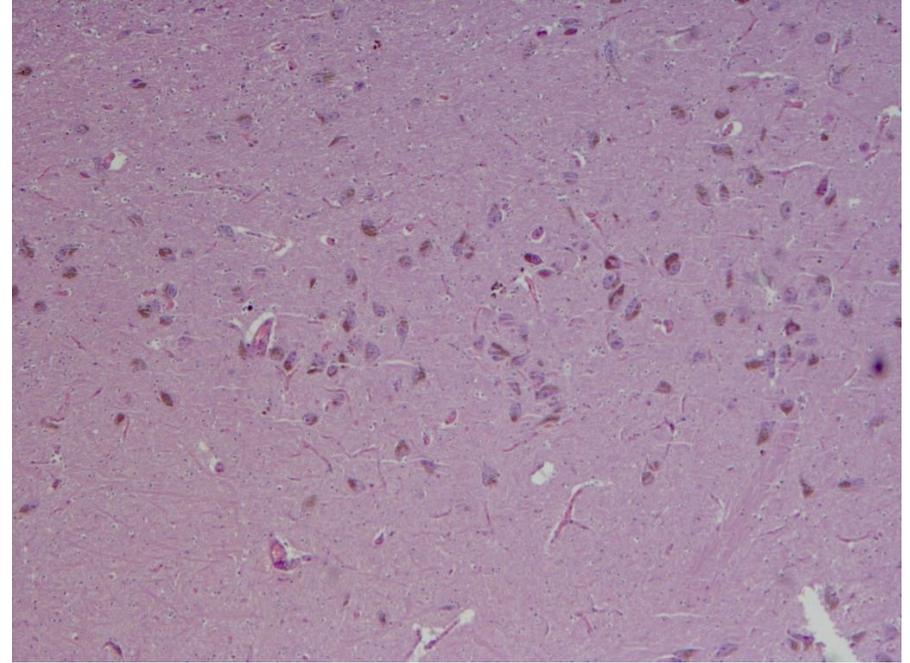
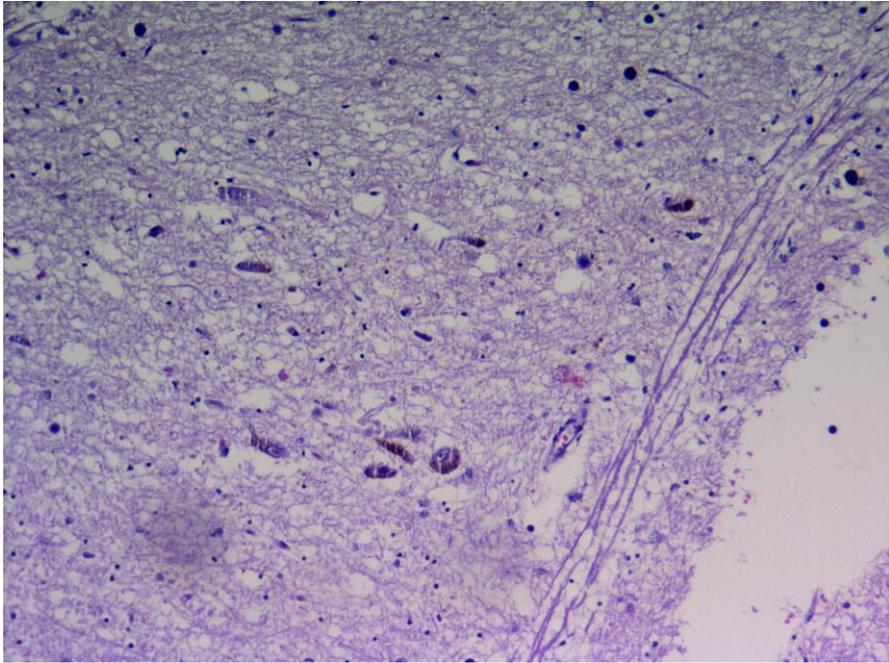
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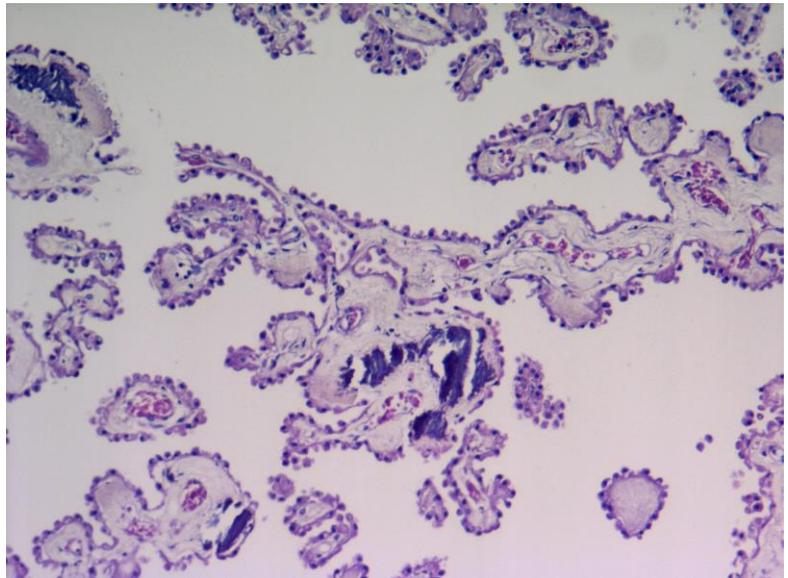
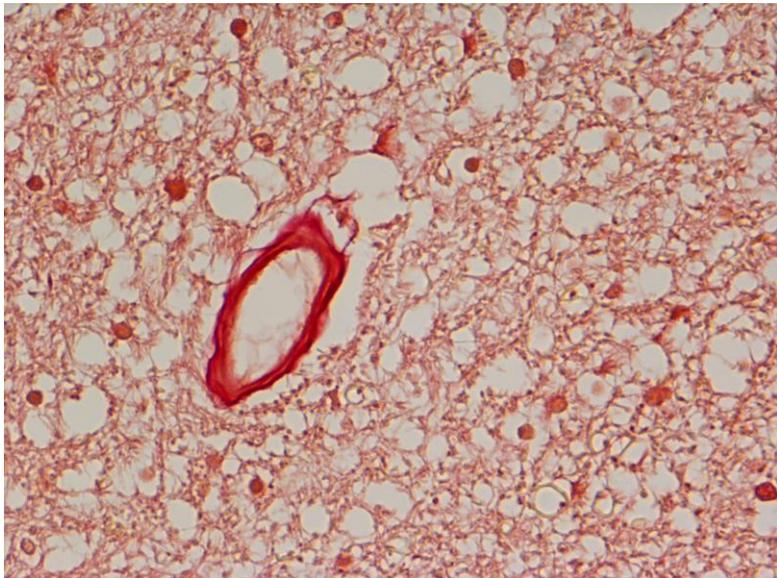
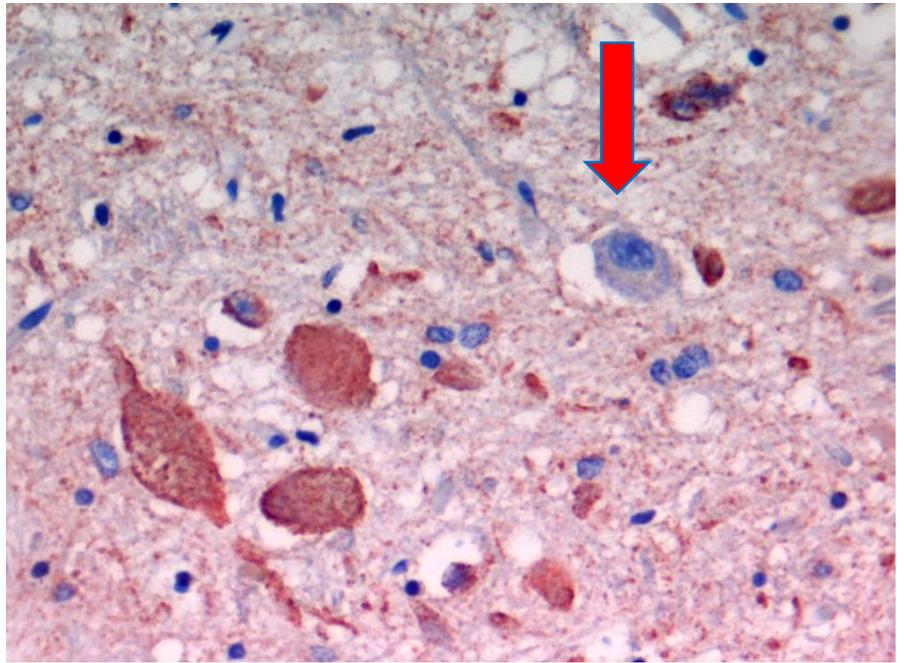
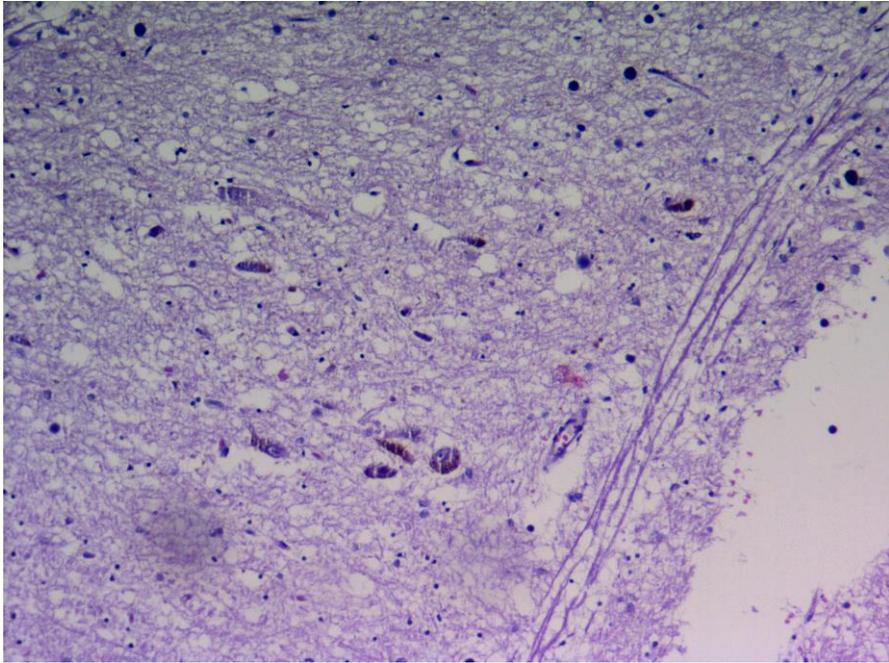


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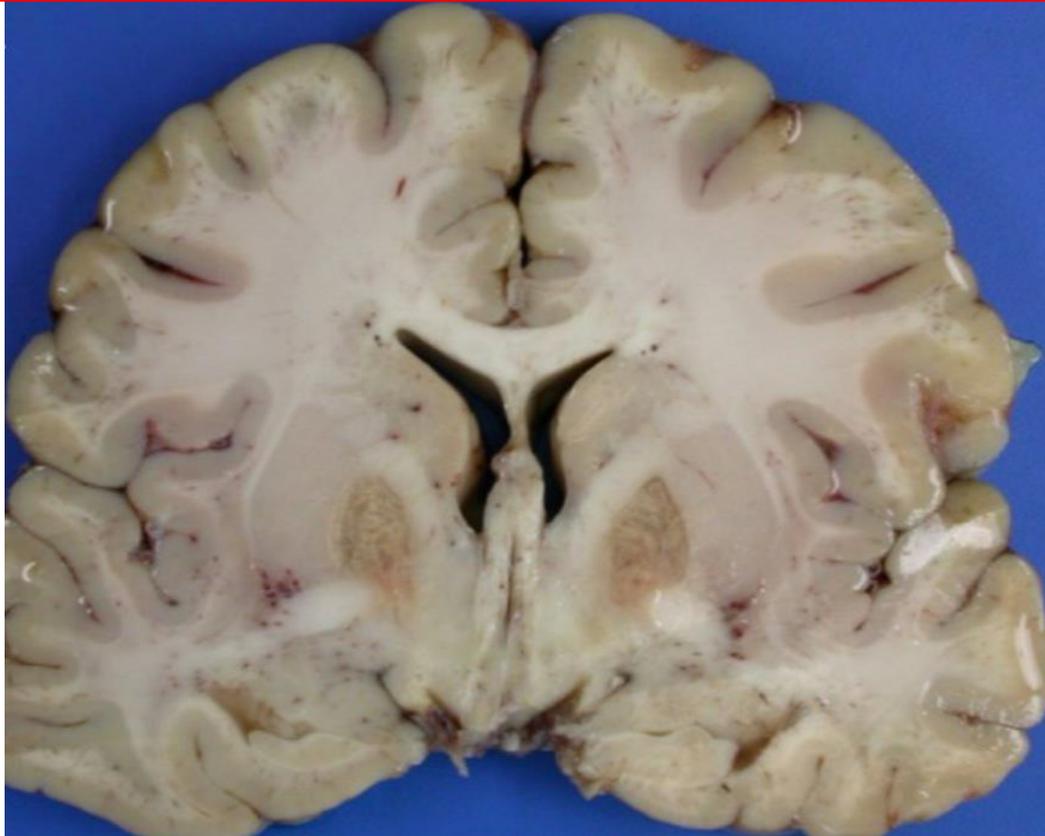
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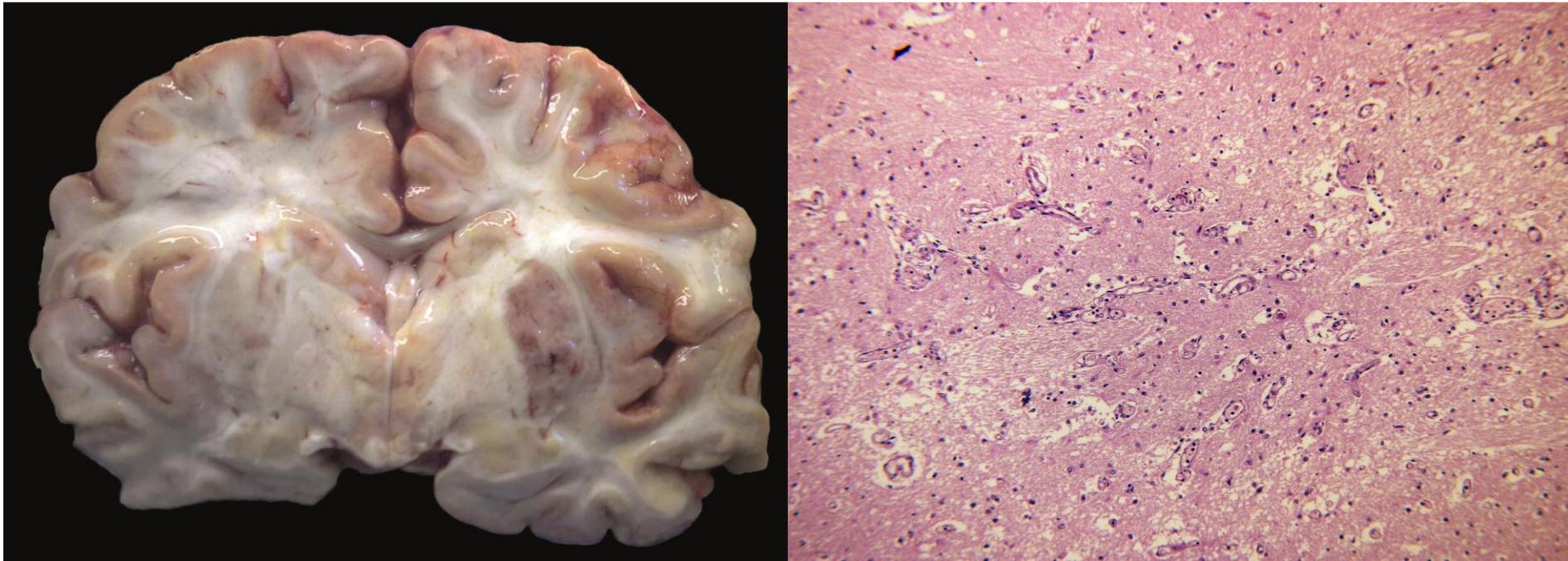
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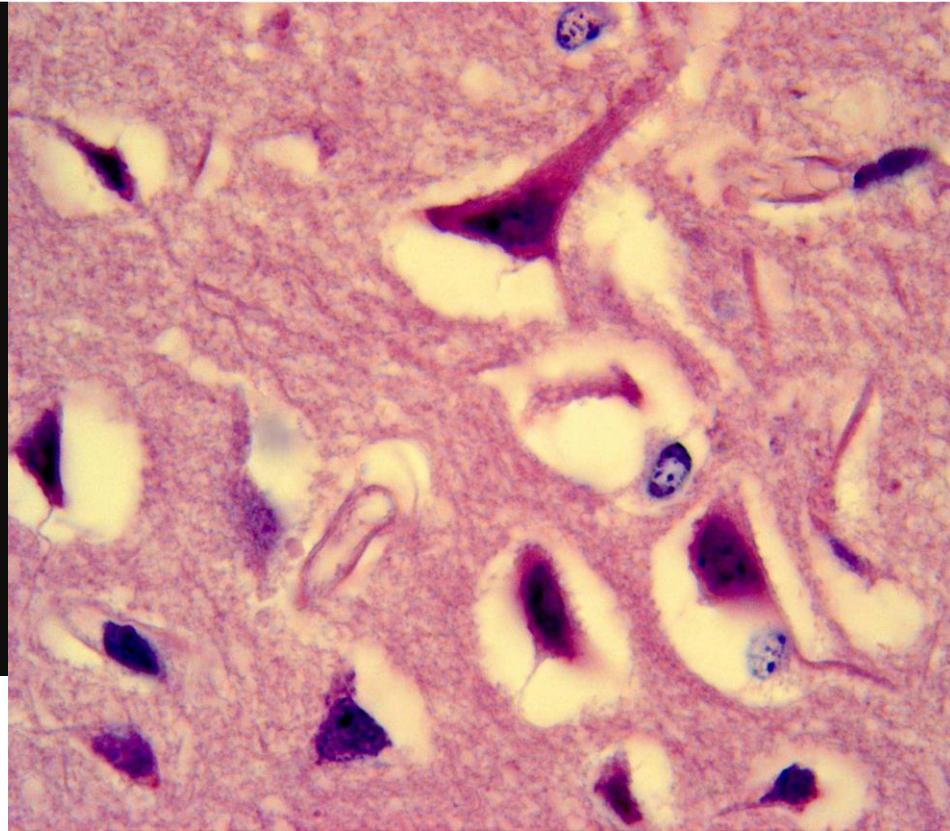
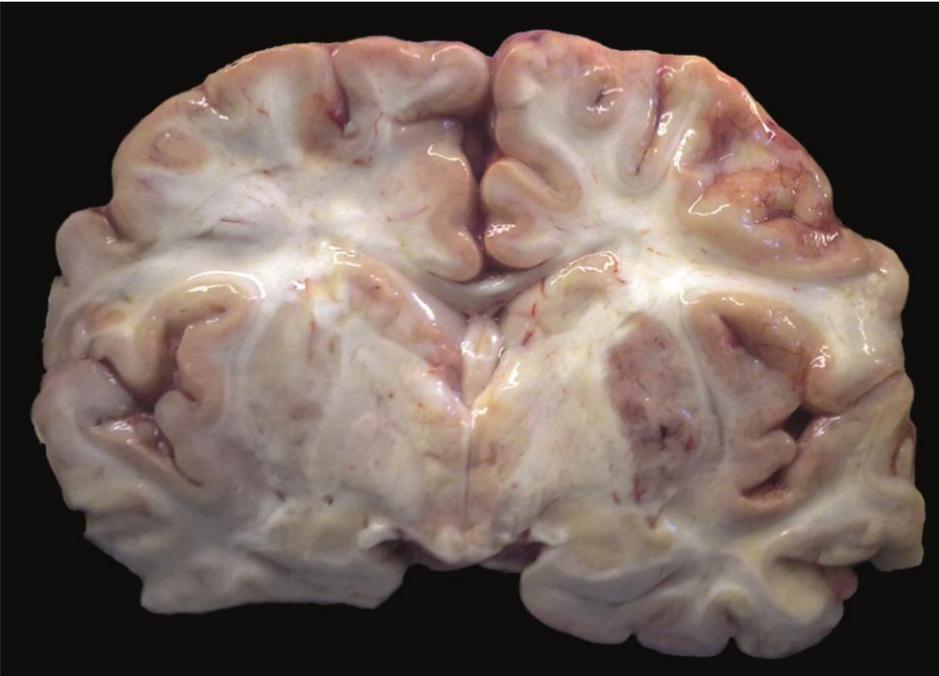
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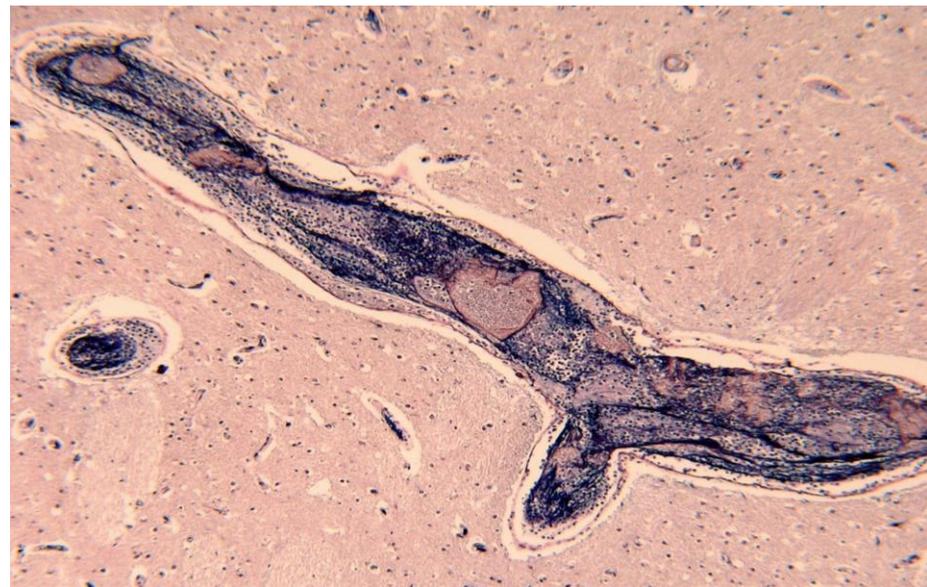
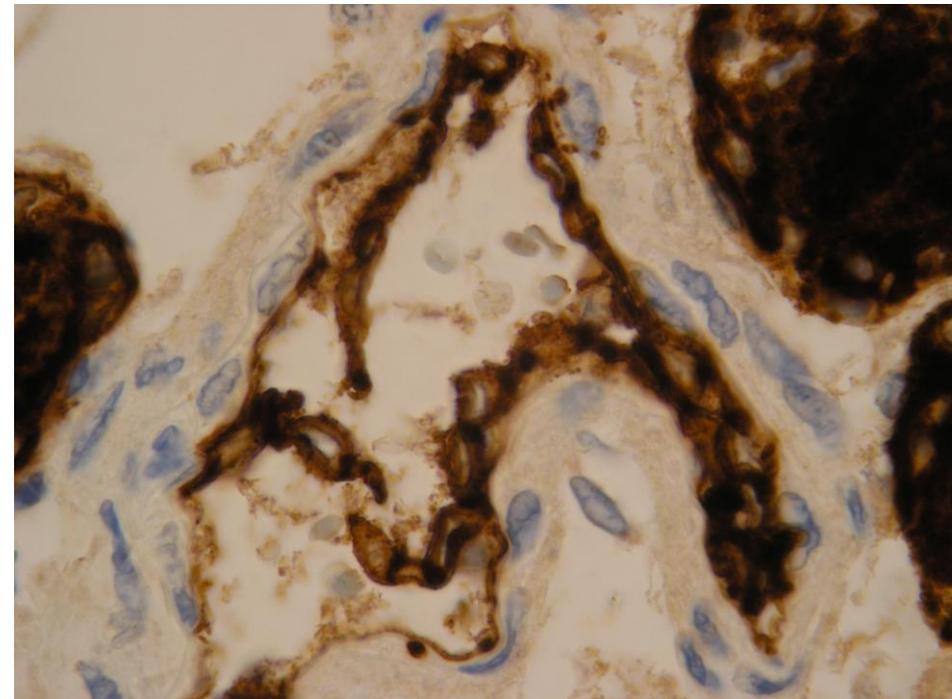
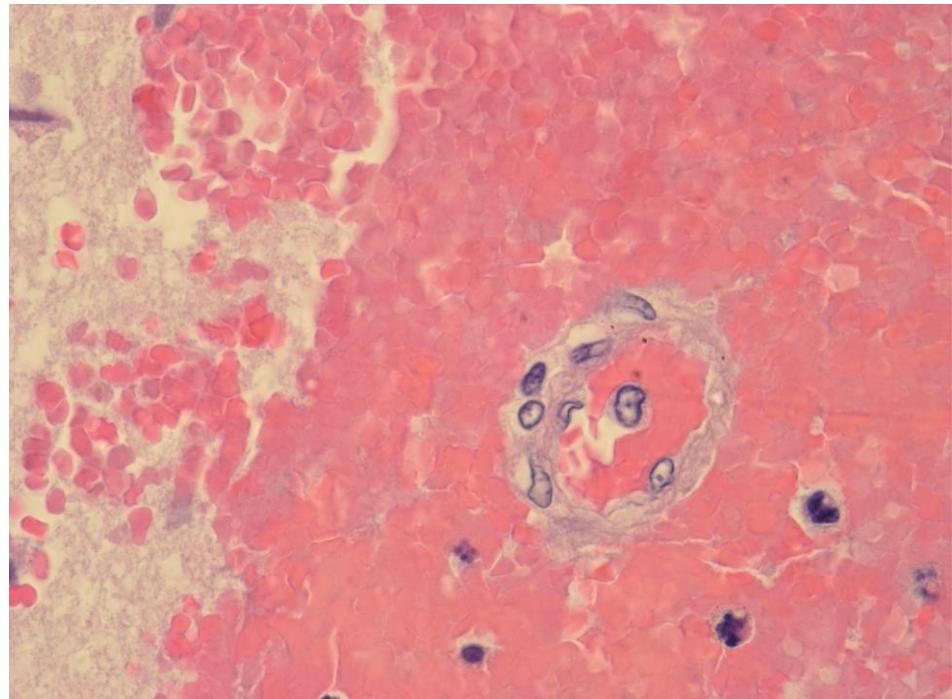
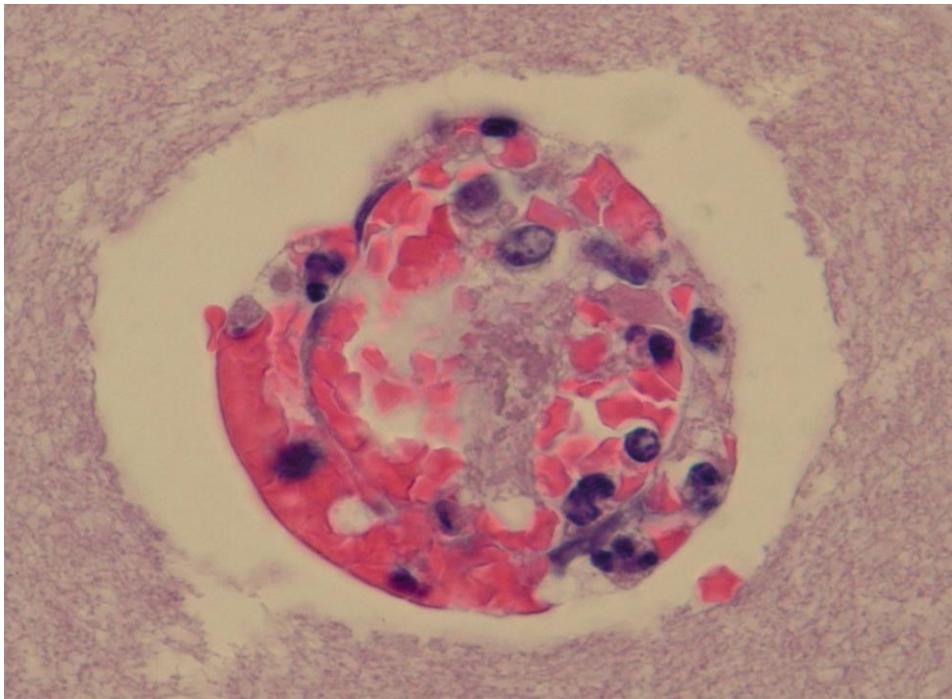
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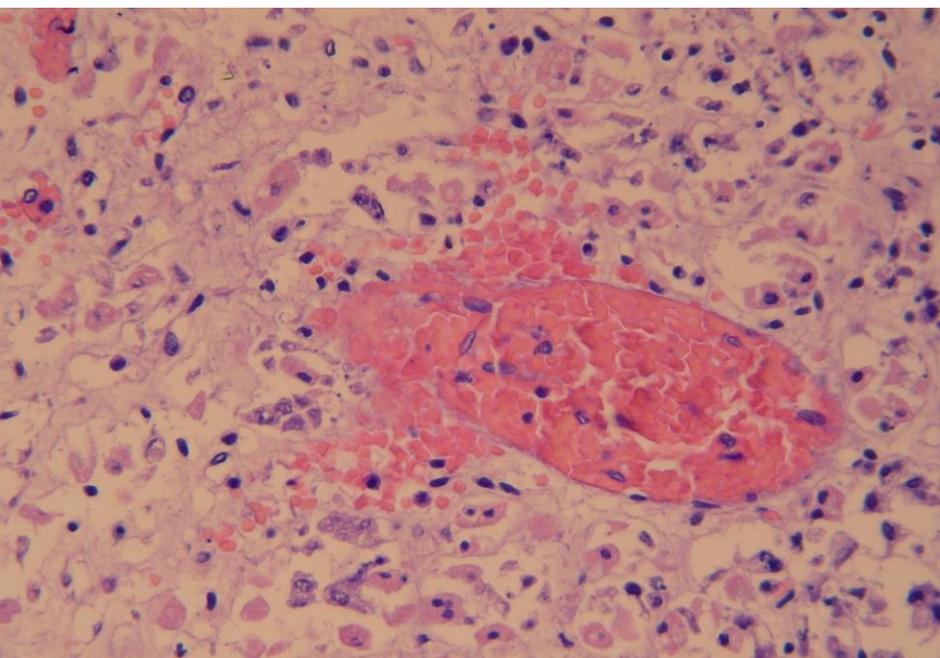
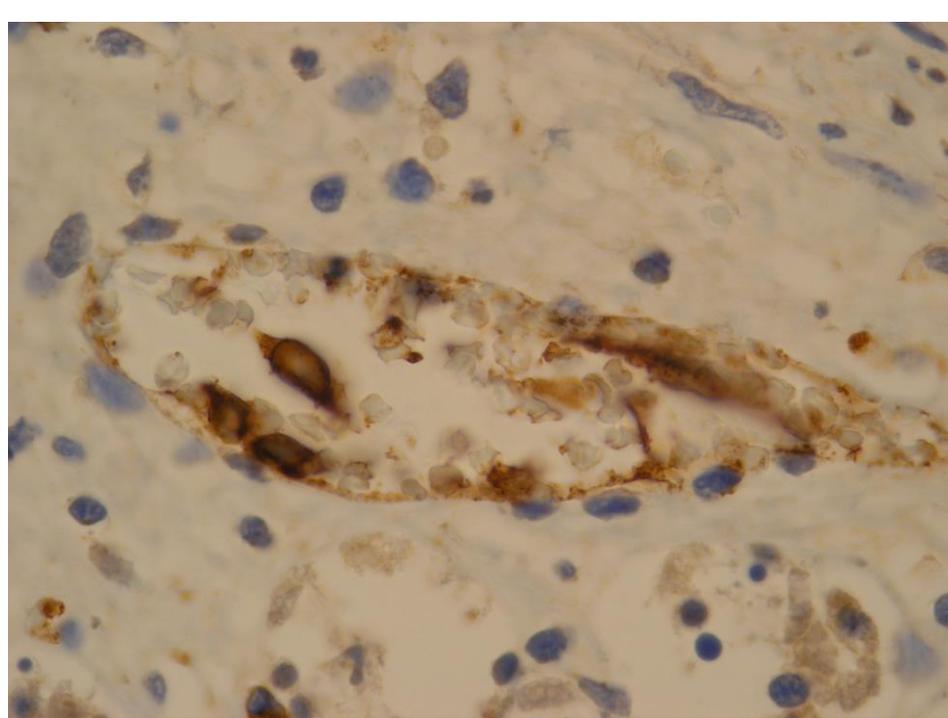


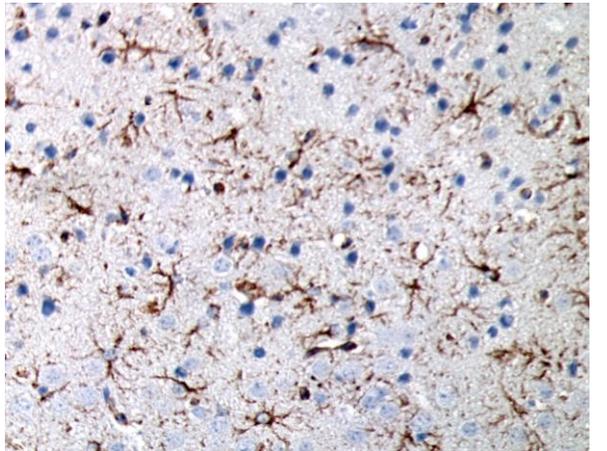
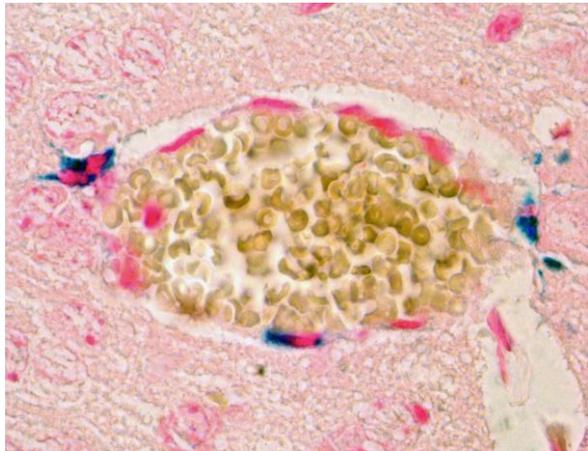
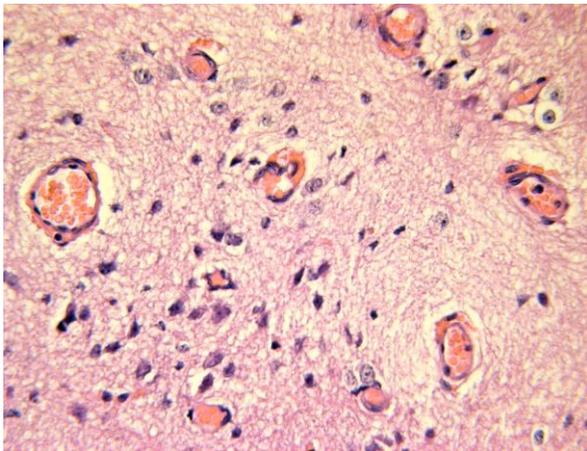
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