# Retrospective study of canine cutaneous mast cell tumors: Association of histopathological classification and clinical prognosis



64%

Predisposed breeds

Mixed breeds

Not predisposed breeds

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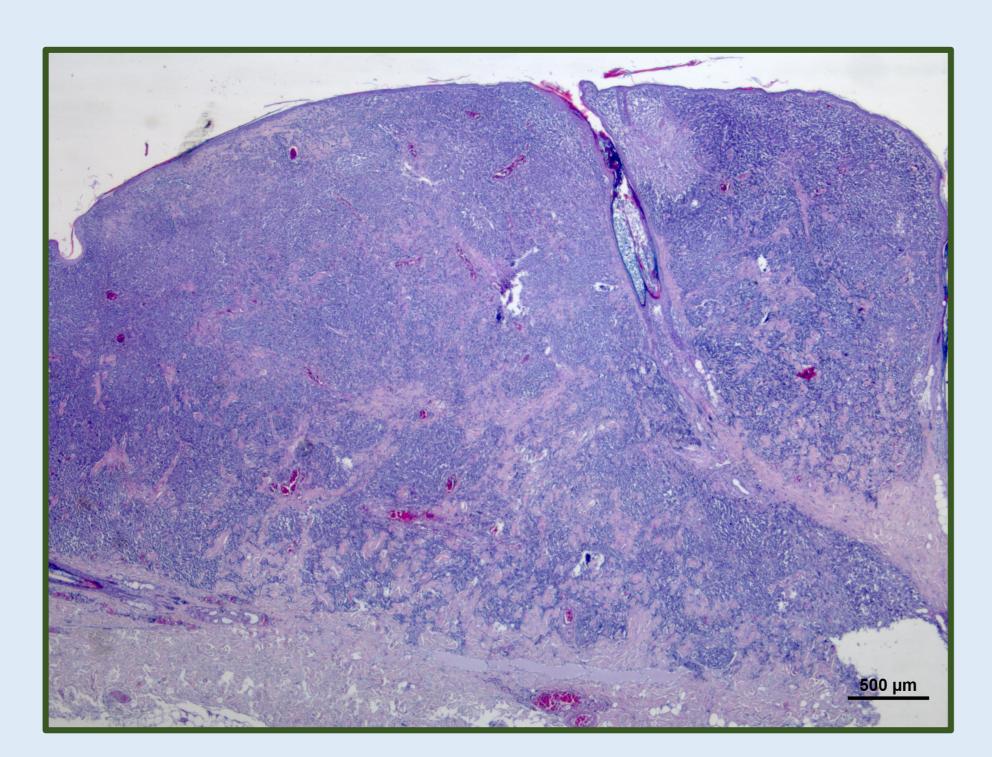
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■ Grade 2 (Low grade)

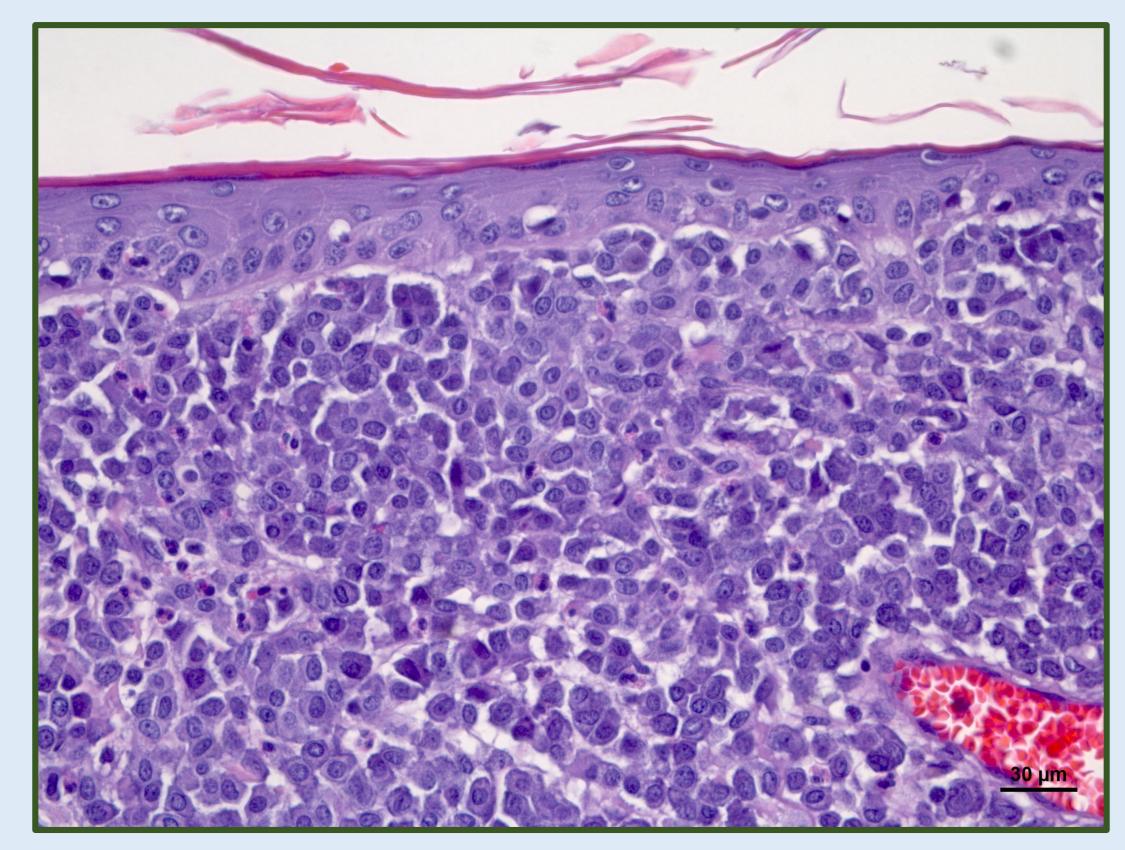
■ Grade 3 (High grade)

# **OBJECTIVES**

- ✓ To classify a group of canine **cutaneous** mast cell tumor (MCT) biopsies according to two accepted histopathological grading systems: Patnaik's system and Kiupel's system.
- ✓ To study the relationship of these histopathological grading systems with different prognostic indicators with clinical value.



**Fig. 1.** Histologic section of a canine cutaneous MCT (10X). Source: Servei Diagnòstic de Patologia Veterinària UAB.



**Fig. 2.** Histologic section of a grade 1 (Patnaik) or low grade of malignancy (Kiupel) canine cutaneous MCT (40X). Source: *Servei Diagnòstic de Patologia Veterinària UAB* 

# Ages of the studied dogs Ages of the studied dogs 16 14 12 19 10 1 3 5 7 9 1113151719212325272931333537394143454749515355575961 Animals (Nº) MCT biopsies for each histopathological grade 7% 39% 15%

Survival times up to 12 or more months when Patnaik's histopathological grading system is combined with other prognostic indicators

	Survival time in 3 months		Survival time in 12 months	
	p-value	Odds ratio	p-value	Odds ratio
Age	0.174	1.201	0.063	0.817
Gender	0.452	0.545	0.657	0.764
Mixed breed	0.557	0.555	0.493	1.736
Tumor location	0.194	0.137	0.153	4.493
Tumor size	0.431	0.867	0.634	0.932
Margins	0.632	1.517	0.288	2.086
Patnaik	0.021	8.625	0.056	0.325

## **CONCLUSIONS**

- ✓ Most of MCT biopsies were classified as low grade of malignancy (Kiupel) or grades 1 or 2 (Patnaik).
- ✓ Patnaik's histopathological grading system is useful to predict survival times.

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