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Minor Salivary Gland Carcinoma ex Pleomorphic Adenoma

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A carcinoma that arises from a pleomorphic adenoma in the minor salivary glands. Patients usually present with a history of a long-standing tumor mass which grew rapidly in the past few months. Patients with non-invasive or minimally invasive carcinoma have an excellent prognosis. In cases where there is invasion of the surrounding tissues, the clinical course is aggressive.