

Week 8: PBL

Bjørnland

”Red means danger”

Erling Svendsen is a 71-year old man. He is one of your regular recall-patients, and he comes this time for a regular examination.

The clinical examination reveals two white spots on the alveolar ridge, one on the left side and one on the right side in the molar area in the lower jaw. You have noticed these changes during the last two years, but now they seem to have increased in size. The patient has no teeth distal to the 2nd premolar on both sides.

The pictures show the changes in on the alveolar ridge. What kind of differential diagnosis do you want to do?

You chose to take a biopsy on the left side and you give the patient an appointment in one week. After five days the pathologist calls you and informs you about findings of tumour cells.

Give a description of the cellular picture and make diagnostically considerations.