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ABSTRACT

Background & objectives: First described in 2014, renal cell carcinoma (RCC) with *TFEB* amplification (6p21) is a rare molecular subgroup whose diagnosis is challenging. The prognosis and therapeutic implications remain unclear.

Methods: We report here the clinical, histological, immunohistochemical and genetic features of 9 novel cases. The pathological and immunohistochemical features were centrally reviewed by expert uropathologists. Fluorescence in situ hybridization (FISH) confirmed the diagnosis and comparative genomic hybridization (CGH) was performed to determine quantitative genomic alterations. We also performed an exhaustive review of the literature and compiled our data.

Results: *TFEB*-amplified RCC were locally advanced with initial lymph node involvement in one case and liver metastasis in another case. They were high-grade eosinophilic tumors with papillary/pseudopapillary architecture, frequent positivity for melanocytic markers and frequent PDL1 expression. FISH demonstrated high-level *TFEB* amplification in 6 cases. One case showed concomitant *TFEB* translocation. CGH analysis identified complex alterations with frequent losses of 1p, 2q, 3p, 6p, and frequent 6p and 8q gains. *VEGFA* co-amplification was identified in all cases with a lower level than *TFEB*. The prognosis was poor with five patients having lymph node or distant metastases.

Conclusion: *TFEB*-amplified RCC is a rare molecular subgroup with variable morphology whose diagnosis is confirmed by FISH analysis. The complex alterations identified by CGH are consistent with an aggressive clinical behavior. The co-amplification of *VEGFA* and the expression of PDL1 could suggest a potential benefit from antiangiogenics and targeted immunotherapy in combination for these aggressive tumors.

Keywords : renal cell carcinoma ; *TFEB* gene ; amplification ; MITF

INTRODUCTION

Historically, renal cell carcinoma (RCC) classification was mainly based on morphology (1). Over the past few years, genetic aberrations have contributed to define new entities (2). Microphthalmia transcription factor family (MITF) translocation RCC is now considered as a separate entity among RCC in the current 2016 WHO Classification of Tumors of the Urinary System (1). Four transcription factors are described as members of this family: *MITF*, *TFEC*, *TFEB* and *TFE3*. The rearrangement of *TFE3* (Xp11) and *TFEB* (6p21) have been involved in the development of RCC (3). *TFE3* translocated RCC are found in about 20-40% of pediatric and 1-4% of adult RCC (4,5), whereas *TFEB* translocated carcinomas are very rare with approximately one hundred cases reported in the literature (6).

TFEB plays an important role in organelle biogenesis and metabolic processes. In particular, it participates to the regulation of lysosomal biogenesis, lysosomal acidification, lysosomal exocytosis, endocytosis, autophagy and membrane repair (7). Recently, TFEB dysregulation was found to play a crucial pathogenic role in different tumors by modulating tumor cell autophagy (8). Because autophagy is activated in hypoxic areas of tumors in order to maintain cancer cell growth (9), it is not surprising that overexpression of TFEB potentiates its intrinsic pro-oncogenic activity (10).

In the vast majority of *TFEB* translocated RCC, the partner is *MALAT1* (11q12) (which has a stronger promoter resulting in the overexpression of TFEB (11,12, 13). This entity was initially described in 2001 (14). It is classically composed of nests of epithelioid cells with clear to eosinophilic cytoplasm, associated with a subpopulation of smaller cells surrounding hyaline basement membrane material (15). Despite an epithelioid morphology, these tumors under express epithelial markers and PAX8 relative to typical RCC (16). However, they frequently express melanocytic markers such as Melan-A and HMB45 that are downstream targets of TFEB (14). A frequent expression of PDL1 was recently described (17).

Because TFEB is supposed to drive oncogenesis in this molecular subgroup, other mechanisms increasing its expression, such as amplification, could generate a similar phenotype. Several studies have reported cases of *TFEB*-amplified RCC that share in common with *TFEB*-translocated RCC the expression of TFEB and downstream targets HMB45 and Melan-A but with morphological discrepancies and a worse clinical prognosis for *TFEB*-amplified RCC (18-33).

Here, we report 9 novel cases, with clinical, morphological, immunohistochemical (PDL1 status for the first time) and genomic features. We also performed an exhaustive review of the literature and confronted our data with the previously reported cases.

METHODS

Patients' selection

Patients originated from Rennes University Hospital or others French medical centers. Most of them were addressed for second opinion. They were all included in the French CARARE network (Rare Renal Cancer in Adults) of the INCa (National Institute of Cancer, France), which focuses on rare subtypes of RCC or RCC occurring in young people (≤ 40 years). All procedures were performed in accordance with the ethical standards of the Helsinki Declaration. The study was approved by the Ethical Committee (CNIL DR-2013-206).

Pathological analysis

Fresh surgical specimens were received at the departments of Pathology and tumors were described at gross examination. Samples were formalin fixed and paraffin embedded with hematoxylin and eosin-safran staining (HES). The HES slides were addressed for second opinion and then centrally reviewed by two uropathologists (NRL and SFJK).

Immunohistochemistry

Four- μm thick whole tissue sections were cut and mounted on glass slides (Superfrost+, Menzel Gläser, Thermo Fisher Scientific, Waltham, Massachusetts, USA). The preparations were dried for 1 hour at 58°C, and then overnight at 37°C. The sections were deparaffinized with toluene and rehydrated with ethanol. The preparations were pretreated and immunostained using Ventana Benchmark XT, Ventana Medical Systems, Oro Valley, Arizona, USA. Immunohistochemical analyses were carried out using the following antibodies: anti-PAX8 (clone MRQ50, Ventana Medical Systems), anti-CD117 CKit (monoclonal, Ventana Medical Systems), anti-Melan-A (clone A103, Ventana Medical Systems), anti-HMB45 (monoclonal,

Dako, Agilent, Santa Clara, California, USA), anti-CD10 (monoclonal, Leica, Wetzlar, Germany), anti-CKAE1-AE3 (clone PCK26, Ventana Medical Systems), anti-CAIX (Abcam, Cambridge, UK), anti-CK7 (monoclonal, Dako, Agilent), anti-AMACR (monoclonal, Dako, Agilent), anti-TFE3 (Cell Marque Corporation, Rocklin, California, USA), anti-PDL1 (28-8 clone, Dako, Agilent Technologies), anti-PD1 (Dako, Agilent Technologies) and CD8 (clone C8/144B, Dako, Agilent Technologies). The clone 28-8 was chosen because it is the companion testing of Novolumab with a good reproductibility with 22C3 the companion of Pembrolizumab also widely used in RCC (34, 35). The detection was performed using horseradish peroxidase-labeled polymer conjugated secondary antibodies using diaminobenzidine as chromogen (Sigma-Aldrich, Saint Louis, Missouri, USA). The PD1 and CD8 expressions were semi-quantitatively assessed with either absent (0), low (1), moderate (2) or high (3) infiltrate as previously described (31). The tumor expressions of each antibody were independently evaluated by 2 uropathologists (NRL and SFJK). Negative controls were performed by omitting the primary antibody.

Fluorescence in situ hybridization (FISH)

FISH analysis was performed as previously described (36). Briefly, the 5- μ m thick, paraffin-embedded sections fixed on slides were deparaffinized and pre-treated using pre-treatment solution (Dako). Pepsin solution was added on preparations for 6 minutes (Sigma, 100 mg/l) and then dehydrated in ethanol 70°, 85°, and 100° (2 minutes each). Specimens and probes were codenatured (10 minutes at 75°C +/-2°C) and hybridized overnight at 37°C. The *TFEB* gene status was assessed using the *TFEB* Break apart Probe 6p21.1 (Empire Genomics, Buffalo, United States). After hybridization, slides were washed according to the manufacturers' instructions, and the nuclei were counterstained by DAPI (Dako). Cells were viewed using a fluorescent Axioplan II microscope (Zeiss, Le Pecq, France) or the automatized microscope Bioview Encore (Bioview, Rehovot, Israel) with appropriate filters and 100 non-overlapped nuclei were analysed for each tumor by 2 independent observers (FD and MABR). According to the definition set by Gupta and al (24), a low-level amplification was defined by 5-10 copies and a high-level amplification by more than 10 copies.

Comparative Genomic Hybridization array study (CGH)

Copy number alterations were analyzed by array-CGH using the standard version of Agilent Human Genome CGH microarray 180K (Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara, CA, USA) according to the manufacturer's instructions. Microarrays were scanned using the Agilent G2565BA Microarray Scanner System. The images were extracted using Agilent Feature Extraction software, and data were analyzed with Agilent CytoGenomics v.2.5.8.11 software to identify chromosome imbalances.

Review of the literature

We exhaustively gathered all the published cases of *TFEB*-amplified RCC and noted their clinical, pathological and molecular details. We used Mann-Whitney test and χ^2 or Fisher's exact test to compare if there were significant differences within subgroups (between *TFEB*-amplified RCC with low or high-level amplification, and between *TFEB*-amplified RCC with or without concomitant translocation).

RESULTS

Clinical features

The clinical features of the 9 patients of our cohort are detailed in Table 1. They were adults with a male predominance (n=7, 78%), with an age range from 31 years to 86 years (mean: 60 years). The tumors presented at variable stages, from pT1a to pT3b with a majority of pT3 (n=6, 67%), with a size ranging from 3 cm to 20 cm. A majority of patients presented with metastasis, located in distant lymph nodes, liver, lungs, adrenal gland and bone at the diagnosis or during the follow-up. The delivered therapies were sunitinib, cabozantinib, mTOR inhibitor or nivolumab. The 2 patients treated by sunitinib showed progression, while no recurrence was observed after the introduction of nivolumab (after 2 and 5 months of treatment). The non-metastatic patients were free of recurrence at 18 months and 24 months.

Morphologic features

The morphologic features are illustrated in Figure 1 and detailed in Table 2. The type of architecture was variable with papillary, trabecular, alveolar and solid patterns. The cytoplasm were either eosinophilic or

clear. High-grade features such as prominent nucleoli and necrosis were frequently observed, but no sarcomatoid component. No case showed the biphasic appearance of the *TFEB*-translocated RCC. The diagnosis originally mentioned were papillary RCC, oncocytoma and clear cell RCC, Table 2.

Immunohistochemistry

The immunohistochemical results are illustrated in Figure 2 and presented in Table 3. All cases demonstrated immunoreactivity for AMACR and for PAX8. Whereas all cases expressed MelanA, only 5 of them (56%) expressed HMB45 with only focal expression. Misleading to a differential diagnosis, 4 cases (44%) focally expressed CK7, 6 cases (67%) expressed membranous CA-IX and 4 cases (44%) expressed CD117. No cases demonstrated expression of TFE3. We observed a membranous staining for PDL1 in tumor cells in 6 out of 7 samples tested (86%) with a mean percentage of 32% (5-80%). The immune infiltrate assessed with CD8 was variable but a positivity for PD1 was observed in all cases.

FISH

FISH results are illustrated in Figure 3 and detailed in Table 4, along with CGH results. All cases included in the study showed amplification of *TFEB* with a high level in 6 cases. One of the cases demonstrated both *TFEB* amplification and rearrangement. As expected, no rearrangement of *TFE3* was identified.

CGH

The gains and losses are gathered in Table 5. A profile is presented in Figure 3. Most frequent gains were identified on chromosomes 6 (78%), 8 (56%), 1 and 17 (33%) and the most frequent losses impacted chromosomes 1, 2, 6 (78%), 18 (67%), 5 including *VHL* (56%), 13, 19, 22 (44%), 8, 9, 17 (33%). Moreover, *VEGFA* was found co-amplified with *TFEB* in all cases but always with a lower level than *TFEB*.

Review of the literature

To the best of our knowledge, 73 cases of *TFEB*-amplified RCC have been previously reported (15-33). Including our cases, the mean age was 63 years with a male predominance. The size of the tumors ranged from 1.8 cm to 19.5 cm (mean 9 cm). Most patients presented aggressive tumors with advanced stage and

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frequent metastases, Supplementary data Table 1. Most *TFEB*-amplified RCC share high grade features, with prominent nucleoli and necrosis. They exhibited variable morphology with a tubulopapillary, pseudo-papillary or nested architecture and large eosinophilic cells, Supplementary data Table 2. They frequently expressed melanocytic markers, with a frequent expression of Melan-A and a more variable expression of HMB45, Supplementary data Table 3. A majority of the reported cases showed high-level amplification, Supplementary data Table 4. Concerning the genomic profile of *TFEB*-amplified RCC, data were rather limited, Supplementary data Table 5. The more frequent gains remained on chromosome 6 and losses on chromosomes 1, 2, 3 and 6. No significant differences between *TFEB*-amplified RCC with low or high-level of amplification were identified with the exception of Melan-A positivity less expressed in *TFEB* low-amplified RCC ($p < 0.01$), Supplementary data Table 6. Moreover, we found 11 cases with concomitant *TFEB*-amplification and translocation. None of them demonstrated the biphasic morphology usually seen in *TFEB*-translocated RCC. The RCC with both *TFEB* translocation and amplification did not present significant clinical or pathological differences Supplementary data Table 7.

DISCUSSION

We reported 9 novel cases of *TFEB*-amplified RCC with detailed immunohistochemical including for the first time PDL1 status and chromosomic profiles. We compared them to the previously published cases.

Our study confirms the emerging data suggesting that *TFEB*-amplified RCC occurs in older patients than *TFEB*-translocated RCC and demonstrates variable morphology (although frequently papillary) with high grade features. None of the cases showed the biphasic morphology classically seen in *TFEB*-translocated RCC (15). The expression of melanocytic markers is essential to the diagnosis, with a frequent expression of Melan-A and a more variable expression of HMB45. Those markers are downstream targets of *TFEB*, and are therefore correlated with its degree of expression. Indeed, they are more consistently expressed in *TFEB*-translocated RCC, which has a higher *TFEB* expression (32). This explained that Melan-A was significant less expressed in low-level amplification than in high-level *TFEB*-amplification. The diagnosis of

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this new molecular subgroup relies on FISH, demonstrating an amplification of *TFEB*. Rarely, a concomitant translocation of *TFEB* can be found but this does not seem to confer any clinical, or immunohistochemical particularities, within the limit of a low number of cases. The clinical course is usually aggressive, contrary to *TFEB*-translocated RCC, which is frequently indolent. When the 2 events are present, the tumor is therefore classified as *TFEB*-amplified RCC. The chromosomic profile show many alterations, which correlates with a poor prognosis. No specific genomic pattern was identified contrary to other entities (2, 37), which highlights the driving role played by TFEB in the oncogenesis.

The differential diagnosis of a *TFEB*-amplified RCC mainly include clear cell RCC, papillary RCC, oncocytoma/chromophobe RCC and *TFE3/TFEB*-translocated RCC. First, the solid or trabecular architecture associated with clear and eosinophilic cytoplasm and prominent nucleoli raises the differential diagnosis of clear cell RCC, which frequently shows cells with eosinophilic cytoplasm in high grade tumors (38). The positivity of carbonic anhydrase 9 (CA-IX) could be misleading and needs to be interpreted with caution especially next to necrosis. Also, the deletion of *VHL* is not uncommon but no *VHL* mutations were identified. Secondly, the papillary architecture as well as the positivity for AMACR could argue for the differential diagnosis of papillary RCC so as the gains in chromosomes 7 and 17 that can be identified by FISH. Furthermore, the eosinophilic tumor cells could raise the diagnosis of oncocytoma or chromophobe RCC.

However, the prominent nucleoli in *TFEB*-amplified RCC are not in favor of these diagnoses. The differential diagnosis with *TFE3* and *TFEB*-translocated RCC is difficult as they demonstrate variable morphology, even though the biphasic pattern is more specific of the last entity. The key to the diagnosis of *TFEB*-amplified RCC is the expression of melanocytic markers that we suggest to perform in every unclassified RCC. FISH analysis is required to confirm *TFEB* amplification.

Genomic amplification is a very rare event in RCC, even less frequent than translocation (39). Recent studies have been focusing on *TFEB*, which is implicated in mTORC1 pathway, a key to the oncogenesis of many cancers. TFEB is an important regulator of lysosomal biogenesis and autophagy, and its activity is inhibited by mTORC1 to promote anabolic pathways (7, 40-44). The overexpression of TFEB influences

mTORC1 as well by increasing its activation (45). In addition, *TFEB* amplification is often combined with amplification of *VEGFA* (24), but with a lower number of copies than for *TFEB* (29), suggesting that *TFEB* rather than *VEGFA* drives the oncogenesis. However, amplifications of *VEGFA* have been associated with a poor prognosis (24, 46). Indeed, *VEGFA* has a well known angiogenic effect on endothelial cells, leading to increased tumor growth despite hypoxia. Moreover, emerging data show that *VEGFA* may also have an autocrine effect on tumor cells with the subsequent activation of the AKT/mTOR signaling pathway (47). The amplification of both *TFEB* and *VEGFA* could have a synergic effect through mTOR signaling pathway. Consequently, mTOR inhibitors and antiangiogenics could be proposed. Indeed, many patients received a treatment with mTOR inhibitors, but generally with a poor response (19,22,24,25). On this point, a study showed that *TFEB* induced PDL1 expression, and this could mediate resistance to mTOR inhibition (48). In this study, we assessed PDL1 status along with quantification of the immune infiltrate and demonstrate that a vast majority of cases showed positivity. This suggests the use of immunotherapies alone or in combination with mTOR inhibitors or antiangiogenics. A few patients received nivolumab, with promising results, although long-term data were very limited. Collective efforts are needed to reach optimal treatment in this very rare molecular subgroup.

In conclusion, we strongly recommend the use of melanocytic markers in unclassified RCC to detect *TFEB*-amplified RCC that need to be confirmed by FISH analysis. The diagnosis of this molecular subgroup is important because the tumors are particularly aggressive. Additional studies are needed to define the best treatment strategy.

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The data that support the findings of this study are available on request from the corresponding author. The data are not publicly available due to privacy or ethical restrictions.

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TABLES

Table 1 Clinical features of TFEB-amplified renal cell carcinoma

| Case | Age | Gender | Size (cm) | Type of nephrectomy | Stage TNM at diagnosis | Treatment | Follow up |
|------|-----|--------|-----------|---------------------|------------------------|---|---|
| 1 | 58 | M | 20 | Radical | pT2bNxM1 | Sunitinib (12 months) (radiologic progression) Cabozantinib (3 months) (progression non specified) mTOR inhibitor (16 months) (radiologic progression) Nivolumab (2 months) (no progression) | Synchronous liver metastasis, alive at 53 months |
| 2 | 31 | M | 10 | Radical | pT3bNxM0 | Laminectomy + radiotherapy Sunitinib (1 month) (bone metastasis progression) Nivolumab (5 months) (no progression) | Bone metastasis at 4 months, alive at 14 months |
| 3 | 72 | M | 3 | Partial | pT1aNxM0 | Palliative care | Lung, liver and adrenal gland metastasis at 29 months, death at 36 months |
| 4 | 62 | F | 12.5 | Radical | pT3aN0M0 | na | Alive at 18 months |
| 5 | 47 | M | 15.5 | Radical | pT3aN0M0 | Lymph node dissection. No systemic treatment. | Lymph node metastasis at 16 months, alive at 43 months |
| 6 | 72 | M | 4.3 | Partial | pT3aN0M0 | na | Alive at 24 months |
| 7 | 38 | M | 10 | Radical | pT3aNxMx | na | na |
| 8 | 86 | M | 5.5 | None | cpT2aN1Mx | Palliative care | Synchronous lymph node metastasis, rapid death |
| 9 | 70 | F | 8.4 | Radical | pT3aNxMx | na | na |

na : non available

Table 2 Pathological features of TFEB-amplified renal cell carcinoma

| Case | Size (cm) | Stage TNM | ISUP | Architecture | Cytology | Necrosis | Original diagnosis |
|------|-----------|---------------|------|----------------------------------|--|----------|--------------------|
| 1 | 20 | pT2bNx M1 | 3 | Solid and papillary architecture | Eosinophilic cells | no | Oncocytoma |
| 2 | 10 | pT3bNx M0 | 3 | Trabecular | Eosinophilic cells, prominent nucleoli | yes | Papillary RCC |
| 3 | 3 | pT1aNx M0 | 4 | Solid and trabecular | Eosinophilic and clear cells, prominent nucleoli | yes | Clear cell RCC |
| 4 | 12.5 | pT3aN0 M0 | 3 | Trabecular and alveolar | Clear and eosinophilic cells | yes | Unclassified |
| 5 | 15.5 | pT3aN0 M0 | 3 | Trabecular and papillary | Eosinophilic and clear cells | yes | Unclassified |
| 6 | 4.3 | pT3aN0 M0 | 3 | Solid | Eosinophilic cells, prominent nucleoli | no | Oncocytoma |
| 7 | 10 | pT3aNx Mx | 3 | Tubulo-papillary | Eosinophilic cells, prominent nucleoli | yes | Papillary RCC |
| 8 | 5.5 | cpT2aN1 Mx | 3 | Solid | Eosinophilic and clear cells | no | Unclassified |
| 9 | 8.4 | pT3aNx Mx | 4 | Solid or papillary | Clear and eosinophilic cells, prominent nucleoli | yes | Unclassified |

Table 3 Immunohistochemistry in TFE3-amplified renal cell carcinoma

| Case | PAX8 | CD117 | Melan-A | HMB45 | CD10 | CA IX | CK07 | TFE3 | AMACR | PD1 | PDL1 | CD8 |
|------|--------|--------|---------|-------|--------|--------|--------|------|---------|-----|------|-----|
| 1 | +(10%) | +(80%) | +(60%) | +(5%) | - | - | - | - | +(60%) | na | na | na |
| 2 | +(50%) | - | +(10%) | +(5%) | - | +(10%) | - | - | +(100%) | 2 | 80 | 2 |
| 3 | +(80%) | +(10%) | +(40%) | +(2%) | +(70%) | +(5%) | +(5%) | - | +(10%) | 1 | 30 | 2 |
| 4 | +(50%) | - | +(10%) | - | - | - | +(10%) | - | +(90%) | 2 | 70 | 3 |
| 5 | +(10%) | - | +(80%) | - | +(80%) | - | +(5%) | - | +(10%) | 1 | 10 | 1 |
| 6 | +(60%) | - | +(10%) | - | +(10%) | +(5%) | - | - | +(90%) | 1 | 5 | 1 |
| 7 | +(90%) | +(10%) | +(10%) | - | +(80%) | +(10%) | - | - | +(100%) | 1 | 30 | 2 |
| 8 | +(70%) | +(10%) | +(80%) | +(5%) | +(60%) | +(10%) | +(10%) | - | +(90%) | na | na | na |
| 9 | +(80%) | - | +(30%) | +(5%) | +(10%) | - | - | - | +(70%) | 1 | 0 | 3 |

na : non available

Table 4 FISH results in TFEB-amplified renal cell carcinoma

| Cases | High or low level of <i>TFEB</i> amplification | Concomitant <i>TFEB</i> rearrangement | Deletion of <i>VHL</i> | Chromosomes 7 and 17 |
|-------|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | high | no | na | na |
| 2 | low | no | yes | no |
| 3 | high | no | yes | no |
| 4 | high | no | na | na |
| 5 | high | yes | na | na |
| 6 | high | no | na | na |
| 7 | low | no | na | na |
| 8 | high | no | na | na |
| 9 | low | no | na | na |

na : non available

Table 5 Chromosomic alterations in TFEB-amplified renal cell carcinoma

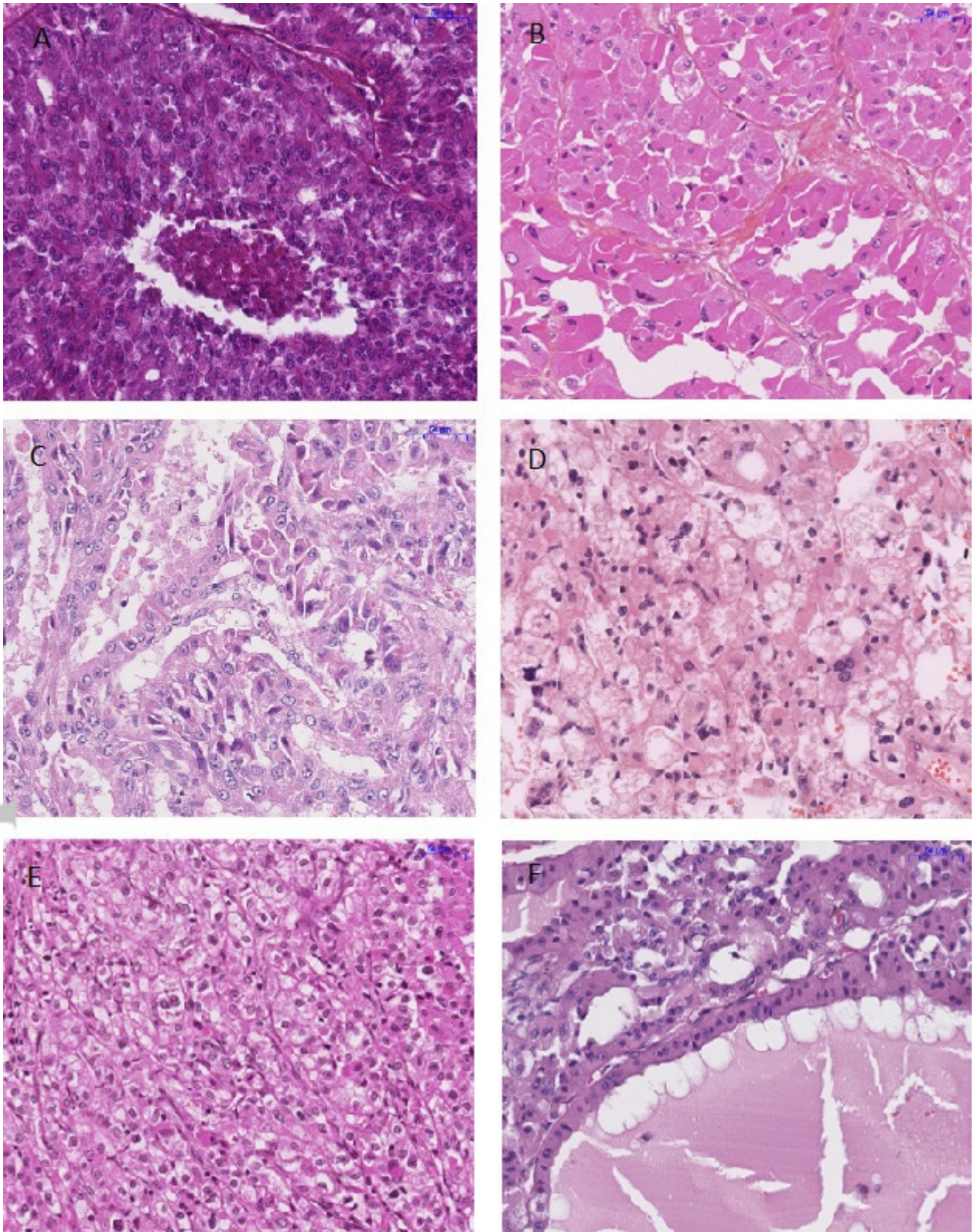
| Cases | Gains | Losses |
|--------|---|---|
| Case 1 | +1q, +6p, +8p, +8q, +10, +17q | -1p, -2q, -5, -6p, -8p, -8q, -13, -14, -18, -Y |
| Case 2 | +6p, +8p, +8q, +9p | -3p (<i>VHL</i>), -4q, -6p, -6q, -8p, -9p, -11p, -13q, -17p, -18q |
| Case 3 | +6q, +6p | -1p, -2q, -3p (<i>VHL</i>), -6p, -6q, -9p, -12p, -16q, -18q, -19q |
| Case 4 | +1q, +2q, +8, +16, +20 | -2q, -6p |
| Case 5 | +1q, +6q | -1p, -2q, -3 (<i>VHL</i>), -6p, -19q, -22 |
| Case 6 | +6p, +7p, +8p, +8q, +17q | -1p, -2q, -8p, -8q, -10q, -15q, -17p, -18, -21q, -22q |
| Case 7 | +4p, +4q, +6p, +17q | -1p, -2q, -3p (<i>VHL</i>), -4p, -4q, -6p, -17p, -18q, -19p, -21, -22 |
| Case 8 | +5p, +5q, +7, +8p, +8q, +13q, +18q, +19p, +20, +X | -1p, -2q, -5q, -6p, -6q, -13q, -19p, -Y |
| Case 9 | +6p | -1p, -3p (<i>VHL</i>), -3q, -9, -13, -18, -22 |

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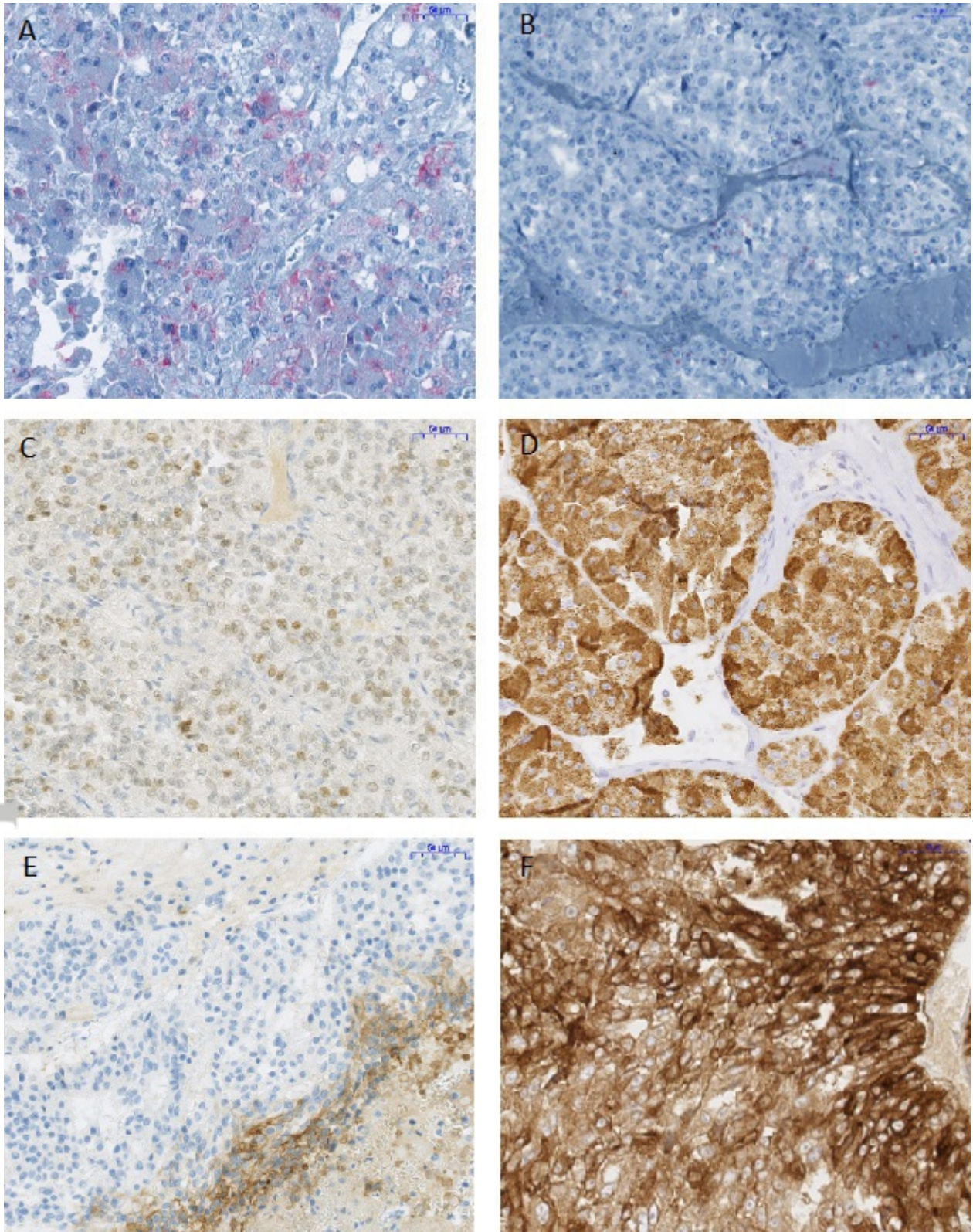
Figure 1: Representative histological features of *TFEB*-amplified RCC. A, solid and cribriform architecture with central necrosis (case 2); B, solid and alveolar architecture with eosinophilic tumor cells (case 6); C, papillary architecture (case 7); D, tumor cells with microvascular cytoplasm (case 9); E, solid architecture with clear cell component (case 3); F, microcystic and alveolar architecture (case 1).

Figure 2: Immunohistochemistry. A, focal positivity of Melan-A (case 9); B, rare positivity of HMB45 (case 8); C, nuclear expression of PAX8 (case 3); D, diffuse positivity of AMACR (case 6); E, expression of CAIX at the edge of necrosis area (case 7), F, diffuse expression of PDL1 (case 2).

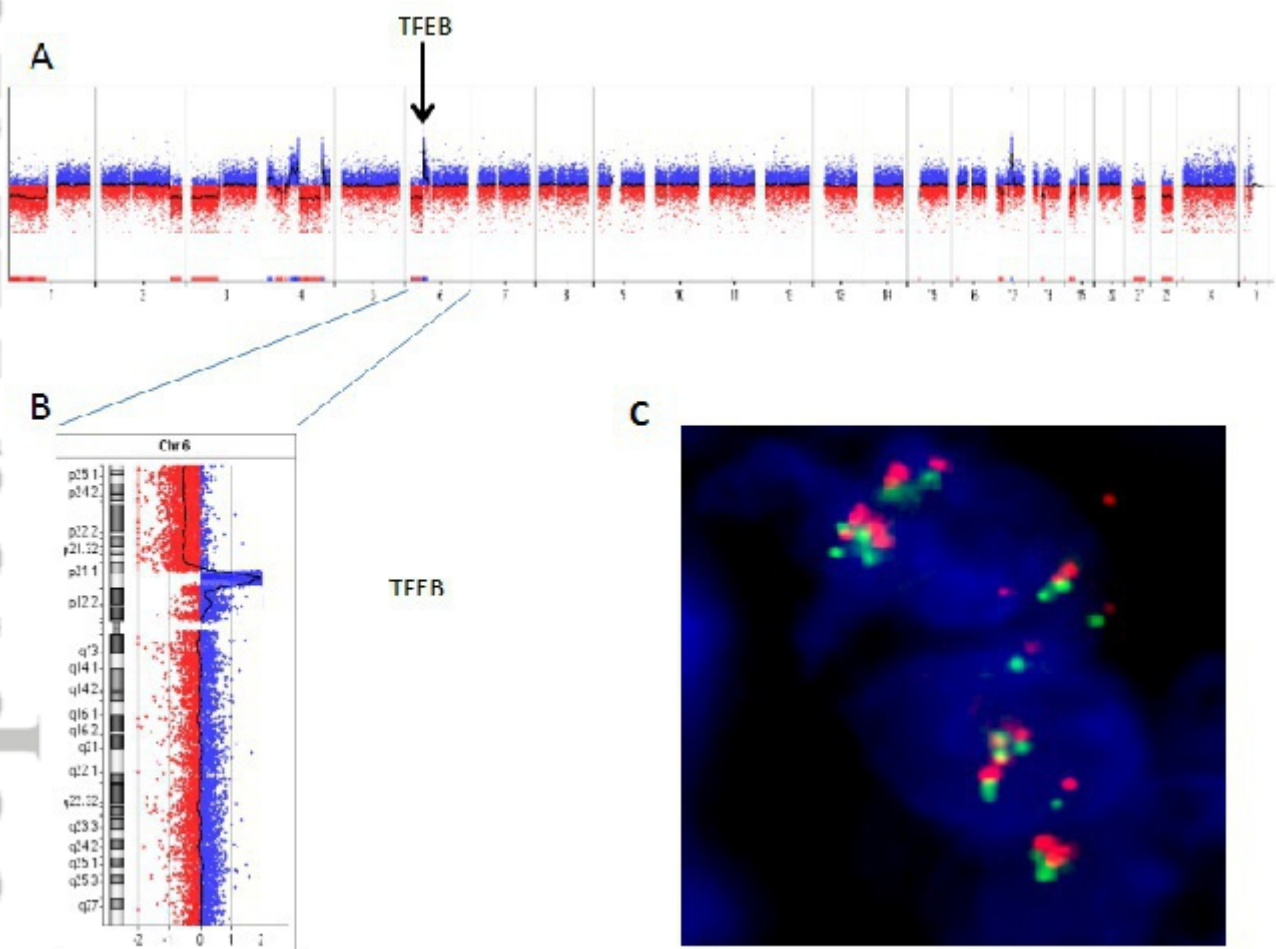
Figure 3: A, Array-CGH showing complex quantitative whole genome profile : losses of chromosome segments 1p, 2q, 3p, 4p, 4q, 6p, 17p, 18q, 19p and whole chromosomes 21 and 22 and gains of chromosome segments 4p, 4q, 6p and 17q, including amplification of *TFEB* gene at 6p21.1; B, zoom on chromosome 6 and *TFEB* amplification; C, interphase FISH analysis using a *TFEB* break-apart probe, showing amplification of *TFEB* (more than 5 copies of non-rearranged *TFEB*/cell).



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