

Features Distinguishing Pancreatic Carcinoma from Chronic Pancreatitis		
<i>Feature</i>	<i>Pancreatic Carcinoma</i>	<i>Chronic Pancreatitis</i>
<i>Architecture</i>		
Lobular configuration	Lost	Preserved
Ducts in proximity to arterioles/large vessels	Present	Absent (except in post-neoadjuvant treatment)
Duct contours	Irregular, angulated, confluent	Smooth, undulating, dilated, with secretions
Single cell infiltration	Present	Absent
Stroma	Abundant desmoplastic stroma	Hyalinized stroma, calcification
<i>Cytologic changes</i>		
Nuclear atypia	Variable (may be subtle)	Typically mild
Cytoplasm	Variable, but clear cell cytoplasmic change is common	Typically mucinous
<i>Evidence of invasion</i>		
Perineural	May be present	May abut, but not encircle, nerves
Vascular	May be present	Absent
Duodenal wall	May be present	Absent