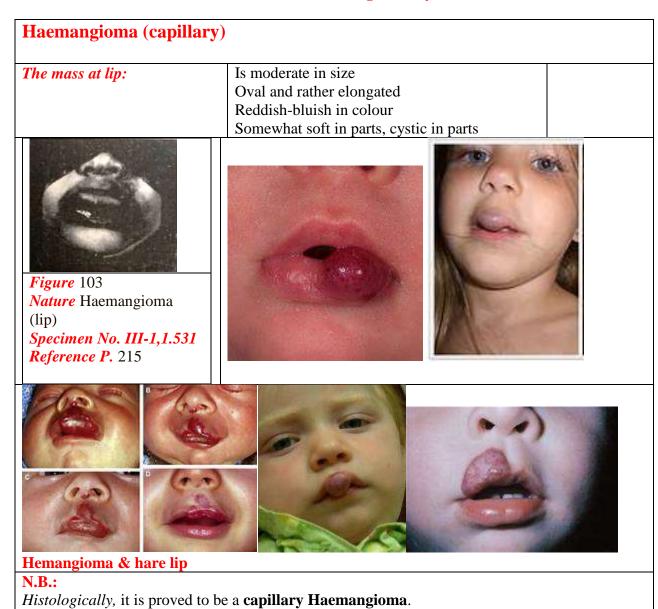
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Carcinoma					
The lip:	Is distorted				
	Lower lip:	 Is enlarged and swollen Shows distortion			
		Is deformed			
		• Is infiltrated by a tumour			
The tumour:	 Appears in the lower lip Has infiltrated the right angle of mouth (malignancy) Is large in size Irregular in shape Is destructive and ulcerating Has everted raised elevated edges (indurated margins) Floor shows opaque greyish necrotic tumour tissue Firm-hard in consistence (hard fixed base) 				

Lymph nodes (regional):

Enlarged



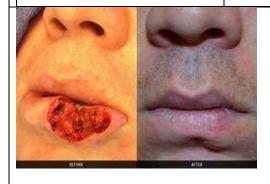




Figure 104
Nature Carcinoma (lip)
Specimen No III-1,1.551
Reference P. 215

Figure 105 Nature Hare-Lip & Cleft-Palate Specimen No.III-1,1.87 Reference P. 216

Figure 106
Nature Leucoplakia
(tongue)
Specimen No.III-1,2.321
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N.B. 1

- This is the commonest type of carcinoma of the lip (i.e. the squamous cell carcinoma):
- The rarest tumour is the basal cell carcinoma.

N.B. 2

Tumours of the lip

Benign:

- 1. **Angioma** (congenital or occurring during childhood).
 - (a) Haemangioma (bluish).
 - (b) **Lymphangioma** (colorless) → diffuse enlargement (macrocheilia).
- 2. Fibroma (rare).
- 3. Papilloma (squamous cell-type; rare).

II. Malignant:

1. Carcinoma (squamous cell-type).

- **Age:** 50—60 years.
- **Sex:** M: F = 9: 1.
- **Site:** Mostly at the lower lip (muco-cutaneous junction).

Factors:

- (a) Chronic irritation for a very long time.
- (b) Leucoplakia and keratosis.
- (c) Hot-clay pipes; excess sun-light or/and rays.
- (d) Chronic fissures; badly-carious jagged teeth; repeated trauma.
- (e) Continued application of tar (fish-net menders).

Features:

- Salivation and halitoses (bad odor or smelly breath).
- Appearance of a small nodule → painless ulceration.

Types:

Well-or non-differentiated:

- 1. Papillary (extends slowly).
- 2. Ulcerative (grows quickly).

Spread:

Mostly local:

- (a) Direct continuity \rightarrow destroying gums, cheek and lips.
- (b) Regional lymph nodes → submental; submandibular; cervical.

Rarely distant: Blood stream (late).

2. Carcinoma (basal cell-type).

Site: Chiefly at the upper lip.