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A 46-year-old male with an ulcerated linear lesion on his neck

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A 46-year-old man presented with a linear 83×14 mm ulcerated nodular lesion on his right supraclavicular region (Figure 1). It appeared about 5 years previously as a nodule and showed linear growth and ulceration. He gave no history of antecedent trauma or scratching in the area of the lesion. The lesion was excised deeply at the level of superficial cervical fascia with a 10 mm lateral margin and the wound was closed primarily under local anes-

thesia. Histological examination was done (Figure 2a, 2b, 2c, 2d).

What is your clinical diagnosis?
What are your differential diagnoses?
What is your histological diagnosis?
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Figure 1. The preoperative appearance of the tumor on the neck. It is 83 mm long and 14 mm wide at the widest point.

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Figure 2a. Low-power view of the tumor H&E×10.

Figure 2b. Low-power view of the tumor H&E×10.

Figure 2c. High-power view of the tumor.

Figure 2d. High-power view of the tumor. Basaloid cells infiltrating the dermis can be seen with inflammatory cells in the background.