The Early Stages of Hepatocellular Carcinoma and Intrahepatic Cholangiocarcinoma

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During recent 15 years, smaller lesions of hepatocellular neoplasm followed by the development of hepatocellular carcinoma have been detected and examined in chronic advanced liver disease related to hepatitis virus. There are also several reports on intraductal biliary papillary neoplasm followed by the development of cholangiocarcinoma in chronic biliary disease. These two neoplasms may reflect one route of development and progression of hepatocellular carcinoma and intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma arising in selected hepatobiliary diseases. In this presentation, these early neoplastic lesions of hepatocytes in chronic advanced liver disease and biliary papillary lesion in chronic biliary disease will be reviewed from the pathological standpoint of view.