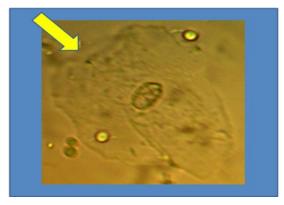
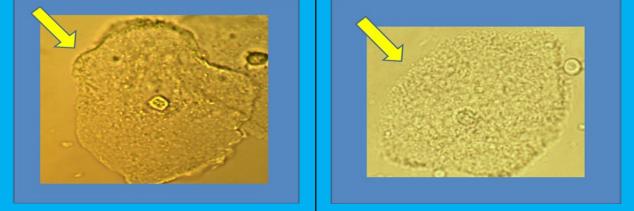
Normal Squamous Epithelial Cell

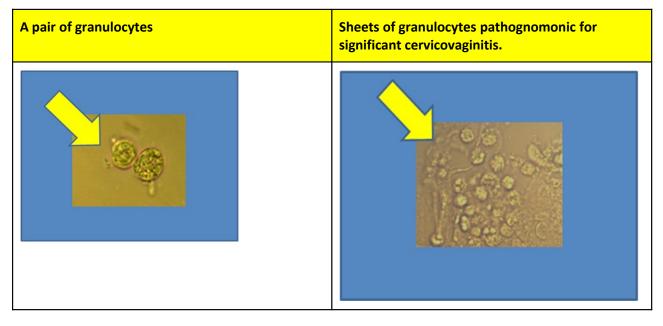


<u>Mostly Normal</u> Squamous Epithelial Cell but could be a Clue Cell, with what appears to be a somewhat studded cell wall. If the specimen emits the classic 'fishy odor' (even without KOH), then it is probably a Clue Cell.	Bacterial-studded squamous epithelial cell (CLUE CELL). It is highly likely that the discharge and slide specimen emitted the classic 'fishy odor'.



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Granulocytes



Trichomonads (of Trichomoniasis vaginal infection) illustrated below alongside squamous epithelial cells and granulocytes to scale for size comparisons.

Squamous Epithelial Cell	Trichomonads	Granulocytes
Epithelial cell is about 5 times the length of a typical Trichomanad.		Granulocyte is about 2/3 to 4/5 the length of a Trichomanad organism.

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Examples of Yeast

Budding Yeast of Candida which is highly likely in the setting of a white thick/pasty vaginal discharge. KOH is not necessary to reveal the budding yeast pictured in the slide.	Yeast <u>hyphae</u> branched of Candida that are generally best viewed after KOH destruction of other cells in the specimen.

Lactobacillus that are non-pathological and part of normal vaginal flora

Wet prep appearance of Lactobacilli	H&E Stain appearance Lactobacilli in relationship to a squamous epithelial cell for scale comparison.