

Hemangioendotheliomas (or epithelioid hemangioendothelioma)

The hemangioendothelioma or epithelioid hemangioendothelioma is considered an intermediate grade vascular sarcoma arising from endothelial cells. It occurs more commonly in males than females and is found typically in the femur, tibia, axial skeleton and ribs. The most common age group is 20 to 50 years. The lower grade lesions behave clinically very much like a hemangioma of bone but the more aggressive, higher grade, hemangioendotheliomas require more aggressive treatment surgically, and can be helped with adjuvant radiation therapy.