

DERMATOPATHOLOGY GROSSING GUIDELINES

RUSH CASES:

For all RUSH cases, the dermpath fellows AND the skin service resident should be notified via email about the case.

Specimen Type: SENTINEL NODE FOR MELANOMA

Procedure:

1. Measure fibroadipose tissue
2. Count and measure lymph node in 3 dimensions
3. Serially section lymph node at 2-3 mm intervals if large enough, if not bisect the lymph node
4. Submit entire LN
 - a. SLN- ensure correct protocol is ordered

Gross Template:

Labeled with the patient's name (***), medical record number (***), designated "****", and received [fresh/in formalin] is a *** x *** x *** cm portion of a [*tan-yellow*] fibroadipose tissue. Sectioning reveals [***] lymph nodes measuring [*range if multiple/ three dimensions if single LN*]. The lymph node is serially sectioned to reveal [*describe cut surface*]. The specimen is entirely submitted.

Cassette Submission:

- 1-3 cassettes (submit entire LN)
- Order sentinel lymph node package