

Hepatobiliary Pathology Grossing Guidelines

Specimen Type: CORE NEEDLE BIOPSY

Comment:

Indicate whether the tissue is intact or is fragmented. Handle these specimens very carefully. Specimen architecture is often critical in making a diagnosis.

Gross Template:

The specimen is received [*fresh/in formalin*] in a container labeled with the patient's name (**), medical record number (**), and "****." The specimen consists of [*number of core biopsies*] tan/red/yellow/green cores measuring *** cm in length x *** cm in diameter [*or ranging from *** - *** cm in length x *** cm in diameter*]. The specimen is entirely submitted in [*use filter bag or moistened filter paper - number of cassettes*].

Cassette Submission:

All tissue submitted

- Liver biopsies are processed as RUSH in green cassettes. Order appropriate slides/stains as follows:

Protocol	Clinical Information	Order
Liver Package	Non-Tumor	Trichrome PAS PAS w/Diastase Iron Silver/Reticulin 3 HE
Tumor Package	Tumor	2 HE 8 Unstained Immuno Slides 1 HE (second cassette)*

- Note: If you are unsure of whether to order "liver-pkg" or "liver-tmr" on a case, it is best to order "liver-tmr" as it comes with unstained slides so any additional stains wanted may be ordered on those.

* For the liver tumor cases only, if there are more than 3 cores, submit the additional cores into a second cassette. This does not apply to medical (non-tumor) liver biopsies (i.e. for those cases please put all the cores into one cassette, even if there are more than 3 cores).