

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:

MMODAL COMMAND: INSERT SKIN SENTINEL

It consists of a [*measure in three dimensions****] cm portion of a tan-yellow fibroadipose tissue. Sectioning reveals [*describe # of lymph nodes found, measure lymph node(s) in maximum dimension****]. [*The lymph node is/The lymph nodes are****] sectioned to reveal [*describe cut surface and comment on grossly positive lymph nodes, measuring the grossly positive tumor*]. The specimen is entirely submitted in [*cassette submission/ if lymph nodes are serially sectioned, only place one lymph node in each cassette or you MUST differentially ink them****].

[*insert cassette summary****]

Cassette Submission:

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