

CARDIOVASCULAR PATHOLOGY GROSSING GUIDELINES

NOTE: Please review all complex or “interesting” gross specimens with Drs. Michael Fishbein, Gregory Fishbein, or Ryan Lau.

Specimen Type: IVC filter

Gross Template:

MMODAL COMMAND: INSERT I V C FILTER

The specimen is received unfixed, labeled with patient's name ([last name, first name***]), medical record number ([insert MRN***]), and designated as “[Dictate full description listed in Beaker. Ensure that the specimen label matches the Beaker order***]”. It consists of a [***] cm in length x [***] cm in diameter inferior vena cava (IVC) filter. There are [*state number****] major prongs present, and [*state number/no****] minor prongs present. [*All of the prongs are intact/mention if major/minor prongs are incomplete and how many are incomplete****]. [*Describe and measure adherent soft tissue****]. A gross photo graph is taken. A Faxitron image is taken. [*This specimen is for gross examination only/The IVC filter is for gross examination only. The adherent soft tissue is entirely submitted, in a mesh bag, in cassette A1****].

[Insert grosser's initials and today's date (SM 01/01/2000)***]

Cassette Submission:

- Submitted all adherent soft tissue
- Always take a gross photo and faxitron image
- List if the prongs are disrupted, missing, or broken/incomplete