

## **BONE CORE BIOPSY PATHOLOGY GROSSING GUIDELINES**

- For all bone and soft tissue biopsies, submit cores in this fashion:
  - If 3 or more cores – Place 2 cores max per cassette
  - If only 2 cores – Place 1 core per cassette (2 total cassettes)
  - If only 1 core – Bisect core and split in 2 cassettes If  $\leq 0.6$  cm, do not bisect and  $>0.6$  cm bisect
  - If fragmented – Separate fragments into 2 mesh bags and submit in 2 cassettes
- NOTE: Document in your cassette summary which cassettes (for each specimen part) are submitted for decal and specifically say if EDTA or stat decal is used.
  - Ex: Representative sections are submitted:
    - A1- bone (stat decal)
    - A2- bone (EDTA)
    - A3- remaining tissue fragments and/or blood clot

**MModal Command:** "INSERT BONE CORE"

**Specimen Type:** BONE CORE BIOPSY

**Gross Template:**

The specimen is received in one formalin filled container, labeled with the 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\*\*\**]".

Number of core(s): [\*\*\*]

Description of core(s): [\*\*\**white-tan cylindrical soft tissue*]

Measurement of core(s): [\*\*\*] cm in length x [\*\*\*] cm diameter

### **CASSETTE SUMMARY:**

A1 Bone core (stat decal)

A2 Bone core (EDTA decal)

A3 Remaining tissue fragments with admixed blood clots

[ONLY PLACE CASSETTE A1 IN STAT DECAL FOR **ONE HOUR**, ONLY PLACE TWO CORES MAXIMUM IN EACH CASSETTE-delete from dictation\*\*\*]

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