

## DERMATOPATHOLOGY GROSSING GUIDELINES

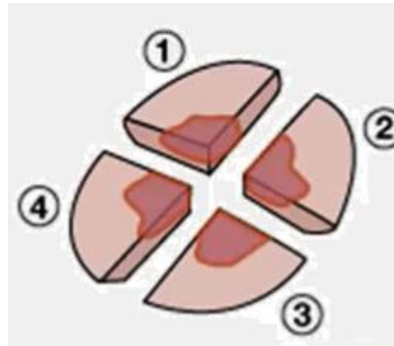
### RUSH CASES:

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

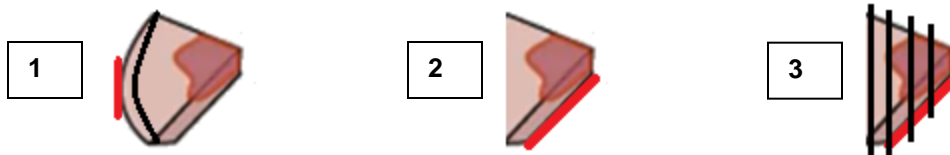
### Specimen Type: MOH'S EXCISION

### Procedure:

- Specimens that often require sectioning may have been cut into quadrants by clinicians. They may also have been oriented by the surgeon with ink (often green and blue):



1. Shave the true peripheral margin and **ink the peripheral margin red**.
  - a. This piece will be embedded with the true margin down by histology.
2. **Ink the deep margin red** on the remainder of the specimen. Be careful NOT to ink the cut surfaces of the quadrant, as this is not a margin!
3. Serially section the remainder of the specimen.
  - a. These sections will be embedded on edge by histology.



### Sample Gross Descriptions:

#### **MMODAL COMMAND: INSERT MOH'S UNORIENTED**

It consists of an un-oriented hair-bearing skin excision. The specimen measures [*measure in two dimensions\*\*\**] cm, and is excised to the depth of [*\*\*\**] cm. The epidermis is [*describe any lesion/scar/unremarkable\*\*\**]. The specimen is entirely submitted for Mohs processing in cassette [*describe cassette submission\*\*\**].

#### **INK KEY:**

Red      Deep and peripheral margins (for embedding orientation)

#### **MMODAL COMMAND: INSERT MOH'S**

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It consists of an oriented hair-bearing skin excision with [*give orientation, blue ink designating 12:00*\*\*\*]. The specimen measures [*measure in two dimensions*\*\*\*] cm, and is excised to the depth of [\*\*\*] cm. The epidermis is [*describe any lesion/scar/unremarkable*\*\*\*]. The specimen is entirely submitted for Mohs processing in cassette [*describe cassette submission*\*\*\*].

### **INK KEY:**

Red            Deep (for embedding orientation)  
[*add additional ink colors as needed*\*\*\*]

**Cassette Submission:** All tissue submitted

Add “**embedding- Mohs**” task flag for histology

- A1:    Peripheral skin margin (red ink on peripheral margin)
- A2:    Remainder of specimen, to include deep margin (serially sectioned)