

CARDIOVASCULAR PATHOLOGY GROSSING GUIDELINES

NOTE: Please review all complex or “interesting” gross specimens with the HL attending assigned to the case.

Specimen Type: VENTRICULAR ASSIST DEVICES

PROCEDURE: Review all ventricular assist devices with Dr. G Fishbein.

Gross Template:

MMODAL COMMAND: INSERT HEART GROSS

*[Review this specimen with HL attending before grossing***]* It consists of a [type/LVAD***] ventricular assist device with the serial number “[insert serial number exactly as on hardware***]”. The inflow cannula is [free of thrombi, if not, describe location and size***]. [If an inflow valve is present, describe***] There is [no in-pump thrombus, if thrombus present, describe location and size***]. [If an outflow valve is present, describe***] The outflow graft to the aorta is [free of thrombi, if not, describe location and size***]. The outflow anastomosis is [present and patent, present with pannus (describe), absent***]. The driveline is [intact, damaged***] with [no evidence of infection, infected***]. A gross photograph is taken. The specimen is for gross examination only.

Cassette Submission: No tissue submitted

- *Submit one cassette of representative tissue if adherent tissue is present*