Ophthalmic Pathology Grossing Guidelines

Specimen Type: CORNEA

Note: Corneas may be lamellar or full thickness corneas.

- Thickness is important to document in the gross description.
- The Descemet's membrane may be submitted unattached (often removed separately), so check the specimen container carefully! If there is an obvious perforation or ulcer or the history indicates infection order 4 unstained slides. Eosin dye has been added to Jules Stein containers so their specimens may appear orange and easier to identify.

Gross Template:

Labeled with the patient's name (***), medical record number (***), designated "***", and received [fresh/in formalin] is a *** x *** cm [opaque or semiopaque or ulcerated or perforated etc], disc. The specimen is entirely submitted in [describe cassette submission].

Cassette Submission: 1 cassette (do not section at time of grossing. Histotech will cut)

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