



Histopathology Lab: Phone 604-877-6000 # 2086 fax 604-877-6038

Addressograph Only

HISTOPATHOLOGY REQUISITION

Shaded fields must be completed LEGIBLY (patient demographics may be addressographed instead).

Patient Name Last First PHN Expiry date (mm/yy)

Date of Birth (dd/mmm/yy) Sex M F **BCCA Patient** Y N **BCCA No.**

Requesting Physician MSC

Address

Report Copy To: (all information is necessary to receive a report)

Name: MSC Address

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Clinical/Radiological Summary

Lack of clinical history may result in sub optimal interpretation

Specimen Sites	Date Taken (dd/mmm/yy)	Lymphoma <input type="checkbox"/>	Urgent <input type="checkbox"/>
	/ /		Time Taken Time Into Fixative
A			: :
B			: :
C			: :
D			: :
E			: :
F			: :
G			: :
H			: :

Sent By Dept/Site Number Of Containers

Lab Use Only

Demographics Checked	Initials
Received	
Number Of Containers ()	
Accessioning	
Grossing	
Assigned	
Pathologist	

Time Out Of Formalin :

Guidelines for the Collection of Anatomical Pathology Samples

A. SAMPLE REQUIREMENTS FOR ANATOMICAL PATHOLOGY:

- a) Solid Tissue Only – include biopsy, currettings, tissue fragments, mass or excision.

Note: *Samples not accepted*

- Suspected or known cases of prion disease (i.e. CJD)
- Radioactive material unless with pre-established arrangement and compliance to international standards.

- b) Place samples into fixative as soon as possible unless for specialized histology and ancillary studies (i.e. Lymphoma protocol) that require sending fresh tissue for examination

For	Then place into clearly labelled specimen container and
Fresh Tissue	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Place on saline moistened non-stick telfa pad• Transport as soon as possible on ice packs (cool not frozen).
Bone Marrow	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Place into B+ fixative as soon as possible
Other Tissues	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Place into 10% neutral buffered formalin as soon as possible

- c) Label sample container with patient's name/demographics (2 identifiers minimum) and specimen site
- For more than 1 sample container per patient, label each container with sequential letter (e.g. A, B, C) along with the specimen site

B. REQUISITION REQUIREMENTS:

- a) Send sample along with "Histopathology Requisition" which is available on the BCCA website:
<http://www.bccancer.bc.ca/health-professionals/clinical-resources/laboratory-services>

Note: Multiple samples on the same patient taken on the same date should be submitted on a single requisition.

- b) Complete the requisition in **legible** writing with all the following required information:

- Patient name, PHN, DOB
- Requesting physician, MSC and address
- Clinical/Radiological summary of the patient sample
- Date sample(s) taken
- List each sample on requisition with
 - Specimen site and type of procedure
 - Time taken
 - Time into fixative
- Complete the requisition with:
 - Initial "Sent by"
 - Fill in "Number of containers"

Note: *Inadequate completion of requisition or labelling of specimen may cause processing delays.*

C. SPECIMEN TRANSPORT:

- a) Regular laboratory hours at BCCA 08:00-16:30, Monday to Friday and closed on statutory holidays. Samples arriving late in the day may possibly be held until the following work day for processing

- b) Label shipping container clearly and send to:
- Anatomical Pathology Lab
British Columbia Cancer Agency,
600 West 10th Avenue,
Vancouver, BC V5Z 4E6