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# HISTOPATHOLOGY REQUEST FORM

**OWNER INFORMATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

ANIMAL NAME/ID \_\_\_\_\_

Species \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_

Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year (check one)

**CLINIC INFORMATION:** Referring Veterinarian: \_\_\_\_\_

Clinic Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

LICENSE NO: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Report Results:      FAX      EMAIL (check one)

**PLEASE SELECT TEST(S) FROM THE LIST BELOW BY CHECKING THE BOX(ES):**

| Select Test       | Service Requested   | Fee      | <b>Brief clinical history including pertinent clinical signs, lab and imaging data, and current medications (this field is VERY important—please do not skip this step!):</b> |
|-------------------|---|----------|---|
|                   | Biopsy: 1 tissue / site   | \$65.00  |   |
| <b>Enter Qty:</b> | Biopsy: each additional tissue/site   | \$20/ea  |   |
|                   | Biopsy: multiple small tissues from abdominal surgery   | \$95.00  |   |
|                   | Dermatopathology: includes up to 4 punch biopsies of a skin lesion (not multiple cutaneous neoplasms) | \$75.00  |   |
|                   | Jaw / toe amputations and total ear canal ablation specimens  | \$100.00 |   |
|                   | Limb amputations (entire limb)  | \$120.00 |   |
|                   | Necropsy (fixed multiple tissues) 1-5 tissues   | \$75.00  |   |
|                   | Necropsy (fixed multiple tissues) >5 tissues  | \$95.00  |   |
|                   | Margin evaluation for large specimens ( <b>additional fee</b> )                                       | \$35.00  |   |

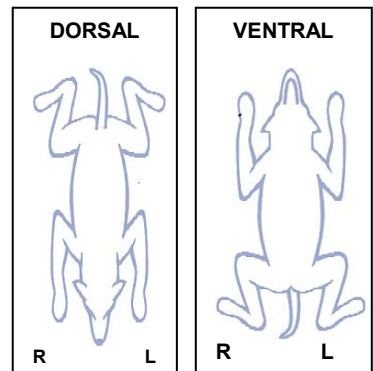
**FOR NEOPLASMS:**

Is the entire lesion(s) submitted?      **YES**      **NO**      **UNKNOWN**

Is there evidence of metastasis?      **YES**      **NO**      **UNKNOWN**      If yes, specify:

Is the animal alive?      **YES**      **NO**      **UNKNOWN**

|   | Tissue | Location | Size |
|---|--------|----------|------|
| 1 |        |          |      |
| 2 |        |          |      |
| 3 |        |          |      |
| 4 |        |          |      |
| 5 |        |          |      |
| 6 |        |          |      |
| 7 |        |          |      |
| 8 |        |          |      |



## Test information

| Service Requested   | Information   |
|---|---|
| Biopsy: 1 tissue/site   | Includes margin evaluation for neoplasms under 5-cm in diameter. A "site" is a single neoplasm or organ |
| Biopsy: each additional tissue / site   |   |
| Biopsy: multiple small tissues from abdominal exploratory surgery                                     | For submitting multiple samples of organs taken at exploratory surgery                                  |
| Dermatopathology: includes up to 4 punch biopsies of a skin lesion (not multiple cutaneous neoplasms) | All histochemical stains for infectious organisms are included  |
| Jaw / toe amputations and total ear canal ablation specimens  | Includes decalcification and margin evaluation, as well as evaluation of the draining lymph node        |
| Limb amputations  | Includes decalcification and margin evaluation, as well as evaluation of the draining lymph node        |
| Necropsy (fixed multiple tissues) 1-5 tissues   | Fixed multiple tissues: includes up to 5 tissues  |
| Necropsy (fixed multiple tissues) >5 tissues  | Fixed multiple tissues: >5 tissues  |
| Margin Evaluation for large specimens   | Additional charge for detailed margin evaluation on specimens over 5-cm in diameter                     |

## Submission Requirements (SURGICAL PATHOLOGY)

- COLLECTING SPECIMENS:** Specimen should be placed immediately in 10% formalin equal to at least 10 times the volume of the tissue and fixed for at least 24 hrs.
- LABEL ALL CONTAINERS** with appropriate identification (owner's name, specimen, your clinic name, practitioner name, etc. **Affix labels to side of container, NOT the top.**
- REQUEST FORMS:** Submission forms are available on line: <http://www.vetmed.auburn.edu/histopathology>
- PLEASE COMPLETE ENTIRE FORM. Enter only one request form per animal - multiple specimens may be listed on one request.
- THE CONTAINER** of fixed tissue should be packaged for mailing according to regulations for mailing hazardous materials.
- MAILING SPECIMENS:** After specimen is fixed, package in a container that does not leak for mailing. Pre-filled formalin containers are available from a scientific supply company. **After tissue is fixed** it may be placed in a smaller rigid container containing formalin. (This saves sending so much formalin through the mail).
- RESULTS:** All results will be **faxed** unless specified by clinic

### NOTABLE FACTS ABOUT HISTOPATH

- Specimens must be properly fixed before they are trimmed for processing. This takes from a few minutes to 24 hours, depending on the size of the specimen and the type of tissue.
- Bone must be decalcified before processing. This may take an hour to two weeks.
- A 14 hour program is used to process tissue. This is done overnight once the tissue is properly fixed.
- Slides are cut and stained the next day and delivered to the Pathologist. For simple cases, reports are usually finished during that day. When any special stains or other procedures are needed, this can add several days to the reporting period.
- As soon as the Pathologist has finished the case, results are faxed to the referring veterinarian.

### Confidentiality Statement:

The pathology report can not be used for publication or distribution without consent of the Pathologist.