Immunofluorescence

DIRECT IMMUNOFLUORESCENCE STUDIES

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| Oral Biopsy Specimens **Day(s) / Time(s) Performed:**  | **Monday - Friday**  |
| Turn Around Time\*\*:  | 24-72 Hours  |
| **Specimen Collection Supplies:**  | • **Sterile Specimen Collection Container** • **IF Transport Media Michels or Zeus media** |
| Specimen Collection:  | • As deemed appropriate by surgeon • 4mm punch biopsy • 5mm punch biopsy, if biopsy is to be divided  |
| **Specimen Handling:**  | **Room temperature**  |
| Specimen Requirements:  | • Labeled with two (2) patient identifiers • Completed Specimen Requisition • All specimens should be placed in a secondary “Biohazard Safety Bag”.  |
| **Transportation:**  | **As Soon As Possible Deliver / Send to Pathology**  |
| Comment / Special Instruction:  | Immunofluorescence panel includes: IgG, IgA, IgM, C3 & Fibrinogen IF Transport Media may be obtained from Teton Pathology (call ahead to assure availability of transport media, 307-733-6418) |
| **Rejection Criteria:**  | • **Inadequate information / missing requisition** • **Unlabeled / Mislabeled Specimen** • **Specimen submitted in preservative not preferred for required testing methodology** • **Specimen received in formalin** • **Specimen received in saline**  |
| Retention Time of Specimen:  | 2 weeks after final report  |
| **Laboratory Testing Performed:**  | **Teton Pathology**  |

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| Skin Biopsy Specimen **Day(s) / Time(s) Performed:**  | **Monday - Friday**  |
| Turn Around Time\*\*:  | 24-72 Hours  |
| **Specimen Collection Supplies:**  | • **Sterile Specimen Collection Container** • **IF Transport Media** • **Michels or Zeus** |
| Specimen Collection:  | • As deemed appropriate by surgeon • 4mm punch biopsy • 5mm punch biopsy, if biopsy is to be divided  |
| **Specimen Handling:**  | **Room temperature**  |
| Specimen Requirements:  | • Labeled with two (2) patient identifiers • Completed Specimen Requisition • All specimens should be placed in a secondary “Biohazard Safety Bag”.  |
| **Transportation:**  | **As Soon As Possible Deliver / Send to Pathology**  |
| Comment / Special Instruction:  | Immunofluorescence panel includes: IgG, IgA, IgM, C3, C1q Fibrinogen & Albumin. Include all relevant clinical history; e.g. sun exposure, involvement of specimen IF Transport Media may be obtained from Teton Pathology  |
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| **Laboratory Testing Performed:**  | **Teton Pathology** |