



DIRECT IMMUNOFLUORESCENCE STUDIES-IGG, IGA, C3

PURPOSE:

To provide directions for the proper collection of tissue specimen(s) for pathology review.

MATERIALS:

- Sterile container with Michel's Fixative

PROCEDURE:

The specimen must be submitted in Michel's Fixative. Michel's containers must have a hazard label on the outside of the container.

Please see requisition form instructions for complete information. Complete test requisition including last and first name of patient, patient's date of birth and social security number, body site and source of specimen collected. Label specimen container (using the labels provided on the requisition) with patient's first and last name, and body site/source. Check the box on the requisition for Immunofluorescence. Include pertinent clinical information, i.e., previous malignancy, radiation therapy, drugs, etc. Place container in a specimen bag with a biohazard label. Place the requisition in the side pocket of the specimen bag.

QUALITY CONTROL:

- Minimum Volume:
 - 0.1 X 0.1 X 0.1 cm
- Storage Requirements:
 - Refrigerate, if possible. Best if kept cool (wet ice in cooler). Michel's Fixative for transport.
- Stability Requirements:
 - 3 days in Michel's Fixative