



# SKIN FOR DIRECT IMMUNOFLUORESCENCE

## INDICATIONS:

For detection of disease in skin biopsies.

## SPECIMEN:

Skin biopsies

## SUPPLIES:

1. Specimen Requisition
2. Specimen Bag with a biohazard label
3. Michel's media
4. Saline-moistened gauze

## COLLECTION:

- Send biopsy in Michel's media. Michel's media can be requested prior to the procedure. If Michel's media is not available at the time of biopsy, send biopsy on saline-moistened gauze, and the specimen will be transferred to Michel's media at the time of receipt.

Note: Call your lab's courier dispatch. Your lab can deliver Michel's media when called 24 hours prior to the biopsy.

- Label specimen container with patient name, specimen type and location.
- Submit all patient information following the procedure for "Completing a Surgical Requisition."

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 name and last name, and body site/source. The container must have at least two (2) unique identifiers. Examples of unique identifiers: patient name, DOB, unique bar code, etc. 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.