

Slide and/or Block Consultations

Arrangements

No special arrangements are necessary; however, it may be helpful to speak with the Ocular Pathologist prior to sending the slides to discuss any concerns you have regarding the case.

Fixation

None.

Special instructions

- ❖ When sending a consultation (slides and/or blocks) to the laboratory we ask that you follow these instructions:
 - a) Label the slides with 2 patient identifiers: your hospital number, the patient's name, the date of birth.
 - b) Place the slides into a plastic slide mailer (holds 1-5 slides).
 - i) **DO NOT** use the cardboard or flat plastic mailers. When slides are received in flat mailers they can be damaged beyond repair.
 - c) If you have blocks to send, wrap them in some kind of tissue paper (Kleenex, paper towel) and secure it with tape.
 - d) Fill out the Ocular Pathology Consultation Request form completely.
- ❖ Follow the procedures under General Information on Collection and Handling of Specimens for how to properly fill out the Ocular Pathology Consultation Request forms and specimen sending information.