

Dermal biopsies

Please direct your inquiries to our doctors before the surgical intervention.

Where the biopsy should be removed:

It is recommended to remove the biopsy from the distal lateral lower leg, approx. 10 cm (4-Inches) proximal of the lateral malleolus; if necessary a biopsy from the proximal lateral thigh, approx. 20 cm (8-Inches) distal of the anterior iliac spine, may be removed additionally.

How the biopsy should be removed:

Removal of a 3 mm (0.118 Inch) punch biopsy under sterile conditions (sterile disposable biopsy punch). Epidermis and superficial corium including skin appendages should be captured.

How the biopsy should be sent to us:

The skin biopsy should be sent to us immediately, e.g. via a messenger, in a plastic tube on a moist (not wet) swab soaked in a 0,9 % NaCl/saline solution and not containing any further fluids. Any further fixation and reprocessing steps will be carried out in the laboratory of the Department of Neuropathology.