



Dermatopathology Services

Dermatopathology Services offers expert skin biopsy interpretation and consultation to physicians in the diagnosis of benign and malignant dermatologic diseases. We utilize the most advanced technologies available including light microscopy, immunohistochemistry, and direct immunofluorescence (DIF).

Tests Performed

- Routine H+E, special stains and immunohistochemistry when necessary
- IF utilizing a full battery of fluorescein-tagged antisera (IgA, IgM, IgG, C3, fibrinogen)

Specimen Handling

- Supplies (formalin-filled containers/IF fixative) and requisitions are provided for sample submission.
- On site courier pickup daily or as needed. Call 828-7284 for requests.

Special Instructions

For assistance with the Request Forms, specimen containers/handling and detailed information about transportation, please contact Client Services 804-828-PATH (828-7284); 1-800-363-9234.

For information about initiating an account: contact Brenda Hunt, Outreach Sales Specialist, 323-2965.

Clinical Consultative Services

Dermatopathology Services are provided by board-certified Dermatopathologists who specialize in clinico-pathological correlation. Direct communication between clinicians and dermatopathologists is encouraged to optimize patient care.

For clinical questions: contact the Director of Dermatopathology Services at (804) 828-9739 ext.409.

Leadership and Contacts



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Licenses & Certifications

Medical Licenses (Current) Virginia

Board Certifications

American Board of Dermatology-Subspecialty
Dermatopathology 2000

Education

Postgraduate Medical Education

Residency: Dermatology, Johns Hopkins Hospital,
Baltimore, MD, 1997-99

Chief resident, Dermatology, Johns Hopkins Hospital,
Baltimore, MD, 1999-2000

Fellowship – Dermatopathology, Harvard Medical
School. 2005

Medical Education

MD, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine,
Philadelphia, PA , 1996

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Licenses & Certifications

Medical Licenses (Current) Virginia and Maryland

Board Certifications

Dermatopathology 1978
Dermatology 1977
Recertification in Dermatology 1999

Education

Postgraduate Medical Education

Residency: Vanderbilt University Hospital 1970 - 1971; Johns Hopkins
Medical Institutions, Assistant Resident and Fellow 1973 -1976

Fellowships: Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Skin and
Gastrointestinal Division, Earl D. Osborne Fellow 1976 - 1977

Medical Education

MD, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, 1970

