

Outside Nerve Biopsy Instructions Neuromuscular Laboratory University of Rochester 601 Elmwood Ave Rochester NY 14642 585 275-1330

## SPECIMEN HANDLING, PROCESSING, AND STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS

We have developed the following guidelines for processing nerve biopsies from referring institutions. These guidelines help us provide the best possible diagnostic testing for your patients.

- 1. Please provide a copy of all relevant clinical history with the biopsy.
- 2. All nerve biopsies should include the following samples:
  - a. A 2 cm piece of nerve in 2% glutaraldehyde fixative.
  - b. A 1cm piece of nerve in formalin
- 3. Please provide a completed Biopsy Request Form with all nerve biopsies.
- 4. Please contact the laboratory if these conditions can not be met.

## **Shipping Information:**

Specimens must be sent overnight: Monday through Thursday to:

Neuromuscular Pathology Laboratory University of Rochester Medical Center Dept. of Neurology Rm. 5-5329 575 Elmwood Avenue Rochester NY 14642

## Contact Information:

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