**Purpose**

To establish a procedure on how to gross liver cores and wedge biopsies.

**Procedure**

* Remove the tissue from the fixative without squeezing it with the forceps; do not use toothed forceps.
* Measure cores in 1 dimension and wedges in 3 dimensions.
* For cores, submit whole in biopsy bags. Always search the container, including the undersurface of the lid, for tiny fragments of tissue that may be overlooked. Place cassettes with other biopsies short processing cycle.
* For wedges, cut into 3 mm slices and submit all. Tissue can usually be submitted entirely in 1 cassette. Place with other large specimens for long processing cycle.

**Note: Make sure cassettes are green as this is an indicator to histotechs that special stains are needed and additional levels need to be cut.**

**Sections for Histology**

* Submit tissue in entirety.