How to submit a specimen

We provide daily, complimentary regional courier service that will pick up the specimens at your office. For offices located outside of the regional courier service, complimentary shipping is available via FedEx, UPS, or other carriers. Of course, we provide you with complimentary shipping containers, pre-filled specimen bottles, specimen bags, and requisition forms. Please contact Greg Sturtz at 919-843-2482 so that we can arrange for the transportation service that best fits your needs.

Specimens and slides can be mailed to:

UNC Dermatopathology Service
2161 Genome Science Building
250 Bell Tower Drive, CB#7287
Chapel Hill, NC 27599-7287

Specimens should be submitted in separate formalin-filled bottles (which we provide for you). Only one specimen form is necessary for each patient, but each specimen should be clearly labeled with the patient’s name, date of birth, anatomic site, and specimen letter (i.e., A, B, C). Specimens and specimen forms should be sealed in a plastic bag. In addition, for those outside of our complimentary regional courier service, the specimen to be shipped should also be enclosed in a crush-resistant container along with absorbent material such as gauze, sponge, or paper towels. For all slides and specimens, please include a copy of your patient’s insurance card (both front and back).