

# **Immunohistochemistry**

## **Arrangements**

The F.C. Blodi Eye Pathology Laboratory must be contacted (319-335-7095) prior to this procedure being performed to determine if the case needs the immunohistochemical techniques to diagnose the case.

## **Fixation**

Special arrangements must be made with the F.C. Blodi Eye Pathology pathologist prior to the surgery being performed.

## **Special instructions**

- i.** Prior to beginning the surgery the following should be in the surgical room:
  - a)** A specimen container with the correct amount of 10% neutral buffered formalin in it.
    - i)** A formalin warning sticker on the specimen container.
    - ii)** A label on the specimen container with the patient's name, date of birth, surgeon's name, and type and location of the specimen (ie: cornea, left eye).
    - iii)** All patient and referring physician, pathologist or institutions information filled out on the Ocular Pathology Consultation Request form.
- ii.** Immediately after the specimen has been removed from the patient, place the tissue into the specimen container, make sure the tissue is completely covered with the fixative.
- iii.** Place the lid on the container properly and tightly to avoid a spill. Follow the procedures listed under General Information on Collection and Handling of Specimens for proper packaging and labeling of the specimen, how to properly fill out the Ocular Pathology Consultation Request forms and shipping information.