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4	All fields must be completed (addressograph labels with appropriate de	mographics a	are also acceptable)
ı	Patient Name:	PHN:	
ı	Date of Birth (d/m/y): Sex: M □	) F 🗆	
	Referring facility:		ction Date/Time:
	Ordering/Referring Pathologist:		#:Phone #:
	Most Responsible Physician (MRP):		
	Copy to Physician(s):		#: Phone #:
(	Out of Province/Out of Country Insurance Health #		
	STING SITE: Site selection is based on primary clint to please note that each site requires separate requising BC Cancer Agency (BCCA)	itions, spe	
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<u> </u>	ymphoma/Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia/Lymphocytosi	S Acute	<u>te Leukemia</u> □ Initial diagnosis □ Follow up
	☐ Initial diagnosis	☐ Myelo	lodysplasia (if increased blasts)
	☐ Staging	□ Mvelo	loproliferative neoplasm (if increased blasts)
	☐ Follow up		,
пт	-Lymphoproliferative Disorder		oxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria - PNH
<u> </u>	-Lymphopiolilerative <u>Disorder</u>	☐ <u>Multip</u>	i <u>ple Myeloma/MGUS</u>
		☐ Other	er:
	MPLE TYPE: The following MUST be submitted with each		
	Blood	Sono	nd completed form and materials to:
	➤ Specimen: 4 ml in EDTA (7 ml for PNH analysis) ➤ Reports: CBC/Diff, retic, chemistry ➤ Slides: 2 unstained, unfixed		CA: Attn: Flow Cytometry Laboratory Lab Medicine, 3rd floor, Room 3212
	Bone Marrow		BC Cancer Agency
	➤ Specimen: 2 ml in EDTA ➤ Reports: CBC/Diff, retic, chemistry		600 West 10th Avenue
	Slides: 2 unstained, unfixed		Vancouver, BC V5Z 4E6
	Body Fluids		
	Site:	VGH:	I: Core Lab, Vancouver General Hospital Attn: Flow Cytometry Laboratory
	>Specimen: 10 ml in EDTA (no anticoagulant for CSF)		Jim Pattison Pavilion, 1st Floor, Room 1300
	Fine Needle Aspirate		855 West 12 <sup>th</sup> Avenue
	Site:		Vancouver, BC V5Z 1M9
	➤ Specimen: 1 ml in saline or EDTA  Tissue (BCCA only)		
	Site:	Dhysisi	cian signature:
	Surgical number:	riiyəici	ian signature.
	>submerge in saline or nutrient media, container on ice		

	Lymphoma, CLL, Lymphocytosis	Acute Leukemia (AML, ALL), MDS, MPN	Plasma Cell Dyscrasias	PNH
Flow Cytometry	BCCA	VGH	VGH	VGH

# **B. PATHOLOGIST CONSULTATION:**

BCCA:	VGH:
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Pathology Administration Office Hematopathology Administration Office Phone: (604) 877-6000 Ext. 672071 Phone: (604) 875-4381

Ask for the Hematopathologist on flow cytometry service

Ask for the Hematopathologist on consult service

## C. SAMPLE REQUIREMENTS FOR FLOW CYTOMETRY:

a) Blood – Minimum of 4mL peripheral blood in EDTA anticoagulant, 2 unstained and unfixed slides. Include latest CBC/Differential report.
 Transport at room temperature.

- b) **Bone Marrow** Minimum of 2mL marrow aspirate in **EDTA** anticoagulant, 2 unstained and unfixed slides. Transport at room temperature. If dry tap necessitates submitting a core biopsy, send as for tissues below.
- c) Body Tissue Sample must be kept moist and cool prior to processing. Submerge tissue in saline (or place on a saline-soaked non-stick Telfa pad) in a clearly labelled specimen container and transport on an ice pack cool, not frozen. Indicate the precise biopsy site on the sample container. Where available nutrient media (e.g. RPMI, DMEM) can be used instead of saline. Fixed tissue samples are not appropriate for Flow Cytometry testing.
- d) **Fine Needle Aspirate** As single aspirate samples often contain too few cells for analysis, please consider multiple aspirations of a given site when possible. Dispense aspirates into 1mL saline and mix gently. If aspirate is bloody, transfer it to an EDTA tube to prevent clotting. Transport on ice packs (cool, not frozen).
- e) Body Fluids Minimum of 10 mL sample placed in an EDTA tube. Transport on ice packs (cool, not frozen). Clearly indicate the site on the sample container.

### D. REQUISITION REQUIREMENTS:

- a) Flow Cytometry Requisitions are available on the BCCA website: http://www.bccancer.bc.ca/health-professionals/professional-resources/laboratory-services/flow-cytometry
- b) When submitting multiple samples on the same patient, provide a completed requisition for each sample. Each sample type and site must be clearly identified.
- c) The minimum information required by the laboratory comprises patient name, PHN, DOB, sample type, sample site, date of collection, submitting facility, clinical indications, and the requesting physician.
- d) Please record clinical indications, differential diagnosis, clinical presentation, other co-morbidities and patient medications (if applicable). This information is essential for proper selection and interpretation of cell surface markers.

### **E. SPECIMEN TRANSPORT:**

- a) Pre-booking of incoming samples by telephone or by faxing documents is not required.
- b) Regular laboratory hours at BCCA and VGH are 08:00-17:00, Monday to Friday. Closed on statutory holidays. Please send samples early in the day and early in the week when possible. Samples arriving after 15:00 hours are held until the following work day for processing.

### F. SHIPPING:

Label shipping container with "RUSH - FLOW CYTOMETRY" and send to:

BCCA:	VGH:
Flow Cytometry Lab	Core Laboratory
British Columbia Cancer Agency	Vancouver General Hospital
Room 3212	Jim Pattison Pavilion, Room 1300E
600 West 10th Avenue	855 West 12 <sup>th</sup> Avenue,
Vancouver, BC V5Z 4E6	Vancouver, BC V5Z 1M9

# **G. LABORATORY CONTACT:**

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