

Appendix I

Macroscopic Dissection Techniques of Cancer Surgical Pathology Cases Suggested Manuscript Guidelines

Case Presentation

- Patient History
 - Relevant medical history
 - Presenting symptoms
 - Imaging studies
 - Biopsy findings
- Macroscopic Findings
 - Correlate macroscopic findings with the AAPA grossing guidelines, if applicable
 - Do not restate a macroscopic description
 - Include pertinent negatives, if applicable
 - Include at least one macroscopic photograph
- Microscopic Findings
 - Include at least one photomicrograph
 - Refer to the 8th Edition AJCC Cancer Staging Manual, CAP Cancer Protocols, and/or AAPA Grossing Guidelines to illustrate important features
- Ancillary Studies
 - Describe any special steps taken at the surgical bench to procure tissue for ancillary studies (fresh collection, submission for flow cytometric or cytogenetic studies, submission of frozen tissue)
 - Explain the results of the ancillary studies
- Include TNM staging criteria, if applicable
- Include treatment modalities and prognosis
 - Include outcome of care, if available

Literature Review

- Explain the common presentation of the tumor
 - Include tumor epidemiology
 - Include common symptoms and uncommon symptoms
 - Include risk factors
- Macroscopic/Microscopic/Ancillary Findings
 - Include areas of interest or research and common pitfalls in the diagnosis of the particular tumor
 - Is the case presented typical or atypical for the disease
 - Include any future ancillary testing modalities, if applicable
- Treatment and Prognosis
 - Include the prognosis at different stages of the tumor
 - Include available and future avenues for treatment
- Include any additional applicable literature review
 - Include any treatment studies pertaining to the tumor (e.g., Children's Oncology Group (COG) for pediatric tumors)
- Include any additional pertinent literature review