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IMPORTANT: Health and Safety Information:

Instructions for Safe Handling and disposal of Fixed Human Tissue

To whom it may concern

This specimen has been fixed in 10% Neutral Buffered Formalin; which contains 4% formaldehyde. The specimen has been drained of excess fixative and then sealed inside plastic. Do not remove the specimen from this packaging.

<u>Formaldehyde</u> will cause irritation of mucous membranes (eyes, mouth) and skin. If inhaled it will also cause coughing. There is a risk of sensitisation from prolonged exposure to formaldehyde. In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Wear suitable protective gloves and clothing. In case of contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water.

Store at room temperature, protected from direct sunlight and ensure plastic does not get pierced.

If the tissue is buried, it must be done so with the permission of the property owner. The burial must not interfere with the rights other people may have on the land. The landowner must grant permission if you not own the land.

The human tissue must be buried in a location not likely to contaminate a drinking water supply or domestic water supply; there must be no risk of contamination including to groundwater supplies.

The tissue is buried not less than 900 mm below the natural surface of the soil. This is the minimum depth at which tissue should be buried sufficient to avoid accidental exhumation – including by animals.

In the event of any questions, please contact this department using the details above.