RUSH CASES:
For all RUSH cases, the dermpath fellows AND the skin service resident should be notified via email about the case.

Specimen Type: SKIN PUNCH BIOPSY

Gross Template:
Labeled with the patient’s name (l***), medical record number (***), designated “***”, and received [fresh/in formalin] is a *** cm in length x *** cm in diameter skin punch biopsy. The epidermis [describe color, presence/absence of hair, and lesions—including size, borders, shape, distance to peripheral margin]. The specimen is entirely submitted in [describe cassette submission].

Cassette Submission: All tissue submitted
- Punch biopsies 3 mm or less are submitted in their entirety- do not section
- Punch biopsies ≥ 4 mm are bisected/trisected (depending on size)
- Alopecia- often receive two cores in separate containers
  - NOTE:
    - If only one core is submitted, please contact the attending on service before grossing it in
    - 1 punch bx is cut horizontally/transversely- order 5 deepers
      - Ink cut surface black and add case note for histology to embed inked surface down
    - 1 punch bx is cut vertically- order 2 deepers and PAS stain
      - Ink cut surface and add case note for histology to embed inked surface down