

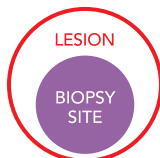
BIOPSY SITES FOR DIRECT IMMUNOFLUORESCENCE

Collagen Vascular Diseases, Lichenoid and Scaling Eruptions

Serum Studies
(Auto Ab)

Discoid LE and systemic LE, SUN EXPOSED LESIONAL SKIN

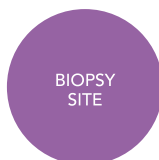
For DLE, lesions of
at least 3 months duration



YES

Systemic LE, SUN EXPOSED NORMAL SKIN

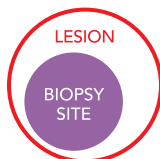
Specific for SLE



NORMAL
SKIN

YES

Subacute cutaneous LE, MCTD or other systemic CTD LESIONAL SKIN

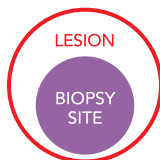


YES

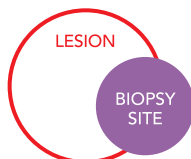
Leukocytoclastic vasculitis, LESIONAL SKIN, FRESH

<24 hours optimal

<48 hours acceptable



Lichenoid and psoriasiform eruptions; LESIONAL SKIN



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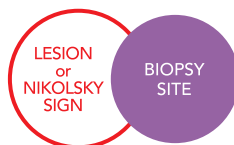
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Bullous Disorders and Vasculitis

**Pemphigus or pemphigoid,
SKIN LESIONS, edge of lesion**
(as shown) 2nd biopsy, 3mm
from lesion (perilesional)



**Serum Studies
(Auto Ab)**

YES

Pemphigus (All Cases),
Pemphigoid
(DIF Negative Cases)

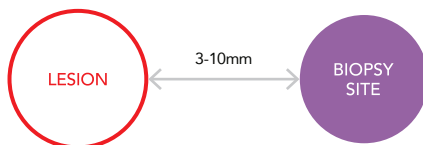
**Pemphigus or pemphigoid,
MOUTH LESIONS,
perilesional area**
2nd biopsy, edge of lesion



YES

Pemphigus (All Cases),
Pemphigoid
(DIF Negative Cases)

**Dermatitis
herpetiformis,
NORMAL SKIN
perilesional area**



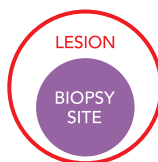
YES

DIF Negative
Cases

**Porphyria and drug induced
pseudoporphyria,
SKIN LESIONS**
of hands or face



**Henoch Schoenlein purpura and
vasculitis, LESIONAL SKIN, FRESH**
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<48 hours acceptable



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