



Qualitätsstandards für Biobanken

FFPE Tissue & Snap Frozen Tissue

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CEN Standards



CEN/TS 16827-1:2015: FFPE tissues – isolated RNA CEN/TS 16827-2:2015: FFPE tissues – isolated proteins CEN/TS 16827-3:2015: FFPE tissues – isolated DNA

CEN/TS 16826-1:2015: Snap frozen tissues – isolated RNA CEN/TS 16826-2:2015: Snap frozen tissues – isolated proteins

Biobank Graz: Wege der Gewebsproben



Herausforderungen – 1/3



FFPE & Snap frozen tissues

- As warm ischemia cannot be easily standardized, its <u>time and duration</u> should be documented.
- When it is not possible to avoid **cold ischemia**, its <u>time of onset</u> and <u>duration</u> **shall** be documented.
- **Temperatures** of the specimen transport <u>container's surroundings</u> **should** be documented.
- Where the specimen is transported to another facility for formalin fixation, the transport <u>duration</u> shall be documented and the ambient conditions should also be documented.

Herausforderungen – 2/3



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- The documentation **shall** include the <u>time point when tissue is removed from the body</u>.
- <u>Selection and use of stabilization procedures</u> shall be performed (e.g., cooling methods) for transport.
- The laboratory in partnership with the clinical or surgery department **shall** establish a <u>protocol for the transport procedure</u> of the specimen.
- Pathology: The **name of the person** receiving the primary tissue sample **shall** be <u>documented</u>.
- The tissue sample **arrival time** of the received samples **shall** be <u>documented</u>.

Herausforderungen - 3/3



Snap frozen tissues

- <u>Labelling</u> of the cryo-storage container **shall** contain the minimum information of:
 - (a) the **patient ID**, which can be in the form of a code;
 - (b) the **basic information** on e.g., the tissue type, tissue and disease condition,
 - unless a sample tracking system can supply this information coupled to the identification of the sample used in (a);
 - (c) the **unique numbering** of each cryo-container.
- The **constant temperature shall** be <u>below -70 °C</u>.

