

# CRYSTALS – SURGICAL JOINT SPECIMENS

## Orderable - Surgical Pathology Request

Turnaround Time: 7 days

### Specimen:

Tissue

### Collection Information:

Fix specimen in 100% ethanol **and label as such**. Do not expose to formalin or saline, as either will dissolve any crystals that might be present

### Reference Ranges:

See report

### Critical Information Required:

Clinical history is crucial to an accurate diagnosis.



**Laboratory:**  
Pathology Lab



**Requisition:**  
PowerChart: E-order  
choosing appropriate  
specimen.  
See [Identification of  
Clinical Specimens](#).



**Method of Analysis:**  
Routine Histology with  
modified fixation,  
processing and cutting  
procedures.



**Test Schedule:**  
Weekdays