

## **BIOPSY SITE SELECTION**

*The proper biopsy sites for various tests and conditions are indicated below:*

### **Direct Immunofluorescence:**

#### **Vesiculo-bullous diseases**

*Pemphigus, Pemphigoid, LABD, EBA, HG*

Tissue: skin, mucosa

Site: Perilesional, erythematous adjacent to active or new blister.

For DH, take skin biopsy 3-5 mm away from the active lesion.

#### **Connective tissue disorders**

*Lupus erythematosus, MCTD, dermatomyositis, scleroderma, etc.*

Tissue: skin

Site: Erythematous or active border of new lesion. Take biopsy for SLE from lesional and non-lesional sun protected skin (buttock).

#### **Lichen Planus and Lichnoid reactions**

Tissue: skin, mucosa

Site: take biopsy from a new lesion.

#### **Vasculitis**

Tissue: skin

Site: Take biopsy from erythematous, active border of a fresh lesion (<48 hrs old).

#### **Porphyria/Pseudoporphyria**

Tissue: skin

Site: take from a new lesion.

### **Histopathology (H&E):**

In all cases, take biopsy from a lesional site.