

Margin status (Core)

Reason/Evidentiary Support

In extrapleural pneumonectomy specimens (EPP) the bronchial resection margin status is evaluated by intraoperative frozen section examination. In the surgical pathology specimen, the soft tissue margin status is difficult to assess because the entire pleura represents a margin. Usually in patients with extrapleural pneumonectomy (EPP), the surgeon is performing a blind dissection beneath the endothoracic fascia between the pleura and chest wall.