

Bronchoscopy Protocol

Bronchoscopy shall be performed on all lung donors

1. Inspect /visualize all lung segments
2. Record presence of the following (if noted):
 - Foreign bodies
 - Endobronchial lesions
 - Mucosal changes
 - Signs of aspiration
 - Atelectasis
 - Abnormal variants
3. Secretions: Comment on color, nature, ease of removal and if they re-accumulate
4. Lavage: Minimize amount of saline utilized, generally 20 ml or less
5. Obtain material and/or brushings for following: (Note - order only the following)
 - I. Gram stain
 - II. Bacterial culture
 - III. Fungal culture
 - IV. KOH stain
6. Perform following bronchoscopy:
 - Lung recruitment (Peep of 30 for 30 seconds x 3)
 - ABG in 30 to 60 minutes following recruitment