

FILE DEFINITION TEST CHANGE

Notification Date: May 14, 2024 Effective Date: Immediately

Family Member Comparator Specimen for Genome Sequencing, Varies

Test ID: CMPRG

Explanation: On the effective date, CMPRG will include Skin biopsy, Cultured fibroblast, Saliva, and Muscle tissue biopsy as acceptable specimens. Additionally, CULFB will be added to accommodate possible reflexes for the new specimen types.

Current Reflex Tests				
Test ID	Reporting Name	Available Separately	Always Performed	

New Reflex Tests			
Test ID	Reporting Name	Available Separately	Always Performed
CULFB	Fibroblast Culture for Genetic Test	Yes	No

Current Specimen Required

Patient Preparation: A previous bone marrow transplant from an allogenic donor will interfere with testing. For instructions for testing patients who have received a bone marrow transplant, call 800-533-1710.

Specimen Type: Whole blood

Preferred: Lavender top (EDTA) or

yellow top (ACD)

Acceptable: Any anticoagulant

Specimen

Volume:

3 mL

Collection 1. Invert several times to

Instructions: mix blood

2. Send whole blood specimen in original tube.

Do not aliquot.

New Specimen Required

Patient Preparation: A previous bone marrow transplant from an allogenic donor will interfere with testing. For instructions for testing patients who have received a bone marrow transplant, call 800-533-1710.

Submit only 1 of the following specimens:

Specimen Type: Whole blood

Preferred: Lavender top (EDTA) or yellow top (ACD)

Acceptable: Any anticoagulant

Specimen 3 mL

Volume:

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Collection 1. Invert several times to mix blood

Instructions: 2. Send whole blood specimen in original

tube. Do not aliquot.

Additional To ensure minimum volume and concentration of DNA is met, the

concentration of DNA is met, the preferred volume of blood must be submitted. Testing may be canceled if

DNA requirements are inadequate.

Specimen Type: Skin biopsy

Supplies: Fibroblast Biopsy Transport Media

(T115)

Container/Tube: Sterile container with any standard cell

culture media (eg, minimal essential media, RPMI 1640). The solution should be supplemented with 1% penicillin and

streptomycin.

Specimen Volume:

4-mm punch

Specimen Stability Information: Refrigerated (preferred)/Ambient

Additional Information:

A separate culture charge will be assessed under CULFB/Fibroblast Culture for Biochemical or Molecular Testing. An additional 3 to 4 weeks is required to culture fibroblasts before

genetic testing can occur.

Specimen Type: Cultured fibroblast

Container/Tube: T-25 flask

Specimen Volume:

2 Flasks

Collection Submit confluent cultured fibroblast cells

Instructions: from a skin biopsy from another

laboratory. Cultured cells from a prenatal

specimen will not be accepted.

Specimen Stability Information: Ambient (preferred)/ Refrigerated (<24

hours)

Additional Information:

A separate culture charge will be assessed under CULFB/Fibroblast Culture

for Biochemical or Molecular Testing. An additional 3 to 4 weeks is required to culture fibroblasts before genetic testing

can occur.

Specimen Type: Saliva

Patient Preparation:

Patient should not eat, drink, smoke, or chew gum 30 minutes prior to collection.

Supplies: Saliva Swab Collection Kit (T786)

Specimen Volume:

1 Swab

Collection Instructions:

Collect and send specimen per kit

instructions.

Collection Instructions:

Specimen Stability Information:

Ambient 30 days

Additional Information:

yielded from saliva, some aspects of the test may not perform as well as DNA extracted from a whole blood sample. When applicable, specific gene regions that were unable to be interrogated will be noted in the report. Alternatively, additional specimen may be required to complete

Due to lower quantity/quality of DNA

testing.

Specimen Type: Muscle tissue biopsy

Supplies: Muscle Biopsy Kit (T541)

Prepare and transport specimen per

instructions in Muscle Biopsy Preparation

Instructions.

Specimen Volume:

10 to 80 mg

Specimen Stability Information: Frozen (preferred)/Ambient/

Refrigerated

Questions

Contact Michelle Raths, Laboratory Resource Coordinator at 800-533-1710.