

## Dentatorubral-Pallidoluysian Atrophy (DRPLA) Gene Analysis, Varies

**Test ID:** DRPL

**Explanation:** On the effective date, this assay will incorporate changes to the Specimen Required, as shown below. The Whole Blood specimen type will no longer accept *any anticoagulant* and will be limited to the anticoagulants shown below. Additional information will also be provided.

Current Specimen Required	New Specimen Required
<p><b>Specimen Type:</b> Whole blood <b>Patient Preparation:</b> A previous bone marrow transplant from an allogenic donor will interfere with testing. Call 800-533-1710 for instructions for testing patients who have received a bone marrow transplant. <b>Preferred:</b> Lavender top (EDTA) tube or yellow top (ACD) tube <b>Acceptable:</b> Any anticoagulant <b>Specimen Volume:</b> 3 mL <b>Collection Instructions:</b> 1. Invert several times to mix blood. 2. Send specimen in original tube. <b>Do not aliquot.</b></p>	<p><b>Specimen Type:</b> Whole blood <b>Patient Preparation:</b> 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. <b>Preferred:</b> Lavender top (EDTA) tube or yellow top (ACD) tube <b>Acceptable: None</b> <b>Specimen Volume:</b> 3 mL <b>Collection Instructions:</b> 1. Invert several times to mix blood. 2. Send whole blood specimen in original tube. <b>Do not aliquot.</b> <b>Additional Information:</b> 1. Specimens are preferred to be received within 4 days of collection. Extraction will be attempted for specimens received after 4 days, and DNA yield will be evaluated to determine if testing may proceed. 2. To ensure minimum volume and concentration of DNA is met, the preferred volume of blood must be submitted. Testing may be canceled if DNA requirements are inadequate</p>

### Questions

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