
Overview

Useful For

Reserving DNA on any specimen for which molecular analysis requiring DNA may be necessary at a future date, ensuring that adequate material for testing is available

Testing Algorithm

DNA will be extracted from the specimen and stored at -80 degrees Celsius for one year from the date of the extraction process was performed. A report of "Performed" will be sent and a \$50.00 processing fee will be assessed. To request molecular testing from the Molecular Hematopathology Laboratory's test menu, call 800-533-1710. Additional charges will be assessed for testing performed.

Special Instructions

- [Hematopathology Patient Information](#)

Method Name

Nucleic Acid Extraction

NY State Available

Yes

Specimen

Specimen Type

Varies

Specimen Required

Specimen must arrive within 7 days of collection. Collect and package specimen as close to shipping time as possible.

Submit only 1 of the following specimens:

Specimen Type: Blood

Container/Tube:

Preferred: Lavender top (EDTA)

Acceptable: Yellow top (ACD)

Specimen Volume: 4 mL

Collection Instructions:

1. Invert several times to mix blood.
2. Send specimen in original tube. **Do not** aliquot.
3. Label specimen as blood.

Specimen Type: Bone marrow

Container/Tube:

Preferred: Lavender top (EDTA)

Acceptable: Yellow top (ACD)

Specimen Volume: 2 mL

Collection Instructions:

1. Invert several times to mix bone marrow.
2. Send specimen in original tube. **Do not** aliquot.
3. Label specimen as bone marrow.

Forms

1. [Hematopathology Patient Information](#) (T676) in Special Instructions

2. If not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send a [Hematopathology/Cytogenetics Test Request](#) (T726) with the specimen.

Reject Due To

Gross hemolysis	Reject
Paraffin-embedded material	Reject
Fluids	
Heparinized samples	

Specimen Minimum Volume

Blood, Bone Marrow: 1 mL

Specimen Stability Information

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Varies	Ambient (preferred)	7 days	PURPLE OR PINK TOP/EDTA
	Refrigerated	7 days	PURPLE OR PINK TOP/EDTA

Clinical & Interpretive**Clinical Information**

It is frequently useful to obtain DNA from clinical samples containing a hematopoietic neoplasm at the time of diagnosis, so that appropriate material is available for molecular analysis should subsequent testing be required. For example, when a diagnosis of acute myelogenous leukemia is made, there is a delay before karyotype information, which determines whether testing for molecular prognostic markers is necessary, is available. After this delay, the diagnostic sample is usually no longer available, or the DNA has degraded to such an extent that it is no longer adequate for testing. Thus, it is useful to obtain DNA on such specimens promptly at diagnosis and retain it until it is known whether additional testing is necessary.

Reference Values

Not applicable

Interpretation

A report of "Performed" will be sent and a \$50 processing fee will be assessed. No interpretation will be given. Should the sample be used in future testing, interpretation would be incorporated with the final testing.

Cautions

DNA will be held at -80 degrees Celsius for one year from the time of extraction. The DNA may only be used for suitable tests offered by the Molecular Hematopathology Laboratory at Mayo Clinic. It cannot be shipped to another institution for testing and cannot be released for research use.

Only liquid blood specimens will be processed. Paraffin-embedded material and fresh, solid tissue will not be accepted at this time.

Performance

Method Description

DNA is extracted using an automated system (Qiagen EZ1 BioRobots). The system includes a sample lysis step followed by binding of nucleic acid to a solid phase for separation from other cellular components and a final nucleic acid elution step.

PDF Report

No

Specimen Retention Time

DNA:1 year

Performing Laboratory Location

Rochester

Fees & Codes**Test Classification**

Not Applicable

LOINC® Information

Test ID	Test Order Name	Order LOINC Value
EXHD	DNA Extract and Hold	No LOINC Needed

Result ID	Reporting Name	LOINC®
MP034	Specimen Type	31208-2
41995	DNA Extract and Hold Result	No LOINC Needed
38305	DNA Extraction	No LOINC Needed