

## Overview

### Useful For

Confirmation of the diagnosis or carrier mutation status of genes associated with congenital dyserythropoietic anemia  
Identifying mutations within genes associated with phenotypic severity, allowing for predictive testing and further genetic counseling

### Genetics Test Information

See [Targeted Genes Interrogated by NGCDA Next-Generation Sequencing](#) in Special Instructions for a list of the genes and exons targeted by this test.

### Testing Algorithm

See [NGHHA and Subpanel Comparison Gene List](#) in Special Instructions.

### Special Instructions

- [Targeted Genes Interrogated by NGCDA Next-Generation Sequencing](#)
- [Metabolic Hematology Next-Generation Sequencing \(NGS\) Patient Information](#)
- [NGHHA and Subpanel Comparison Gene List](#)

### Method Name

Hereditary Mutation Detection by Next-Generation Sequencing (NGS)

### NY State Available

Yes

## Specimen

### Specimen Type

Varies

### Shipping Instructions

**Peripheral blood specimens must arrive within 30 days of collection.**

### Necessary Information

1. [Metabolic Hematology Next-Generation Sequencing \(NGS\) Patient Information](#) **is required**, see Special Instructions. Testing may proceed without the patient information, however, the information aids in providing a more thorough interpretation. Ordering providers are strongly encouraged to fill out the form and send with the specimen.
2. If form not provided, include the following information with the test request: clinical diagnosis, pertinent clinical history (ie, CBC results and relevant clinical notes) and differentials based on clinical or morphologic presentation.

### Specimen Required

**Submit only 1 of the following specimens:**

**Specimen Type:** Peripheral blood (preferred)

**Container/Tube:**

**Preferred:** Lavender top (EDTA) or Yellow top (ACD)

**Acceptable:** Green top (heparin)

**Specimen Volume:** 3 mL

**Collection Instructions:**

1. Invert several times to mix blood.
2. Send specimen in original tube.
3. Label specimen as blood.

**Specimen Stability:** Refrigerated < or =30 days

**Specimen Type:** Extracted DNA

**Container/Tube:** 1.5- to 2-mL

**Specimen Volume:** Entire specimen

**Collection Instructions:**

1. Indicate volume and concentration of the DNA.
2. Label specimen as extracted DNA and source of specimen.

**Specimen Stability:** Frozen/Refrigerated/Ambient < or =30 days

**Forms**

1. [Metabolic Hematology Next-Generation Sequencing \(NGS\) Patient Information](#) is required, see Special Instructions
2. [If not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send a Benign Hematology Test Request \(T755\)](#) with the specimen

**Reject Due To**

Gross hemolysis	Reject
Gross lipemia	OK
Other	Bone marrow biopsies Slides Paraffin shavings Frozen tissues Paraffin-embedded tissues Paraffin-embedded bone marrow aspirates

**Specimen Minimum Volume**

Blood: 1 mL; Extracted DNA: 100 mL at 20 ng/mL concentration

**Specimen Stability Information**

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Varies	Varies (preferred)		

**Clinical & Interpretive**

**Clinical Information**

Next-generation sequencing (NGS) is a methodology that can interrogate large regions of genomic DNA in a single assay. The presence and pattern of gene mutations can provide critical diagnostic, prognostic, and therapeutic information for managing physicians.

This panel aids in the diagnosis and genetic counseling of individuals with clinical or familial features of congenital dyserythropoietic anemia (CDA). CDA is a disorder of ineffective erythropoiesis clinically subdivided into subtypes with various phenotypic findings that segregate into different gene associations.(1-4) These disorders have distinctive cytopathologic findings consisting of nuclear abnormalities in bone marrow erythroid precursors. Types I and II CDA are

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inherited in an autosomal recessive pattern whereas types III and IV are autosomal dominant.

**Reference Values**

An interpretive report will be provided.

**Interpretation**

Evaluation and categorization of variants is performed using the most recent published American College of Medical Genetics recommendations as a guideline.<sup>(5,6)</sup> Variants are classified based on known, predicted, or possible pathogenicity and reported with interpretive comments detailing their potential or known significance.

Multiple in silico evaluation tools may be used to assist in the interpretation of these results. The accuracy of predictions made by in silico evaluation tools is highly dependent upon the data available for a given gene, and predictions made by these tools may change over time. Results from in silico evaluation tools should be interpreted with caution and professional clinical judgment.

**Cautions**

Clinical:

Some individuals may have a mutation that is not identified by the methods performed. The absence of a mutation, therefore, does not eliminate the possibility of hereditary hemolytic anemia or a related disorder. This assay does not distinguish between germline and somatic alterations, particularly with variant allele frequencies (VAF) significantly lower than 50%. Test results should be interpreted in context of clinical findings, family history, and other laboratory data. Misinterpretation of results may occur if the information provided is inaccurate or incomplete.

If there is a family history of hereditary hemolytic anemia or a related disorder, it is often useful to test first-degree family members to help establish the clinical significance of variants of unknown significance.

At this time, it is not standard practice for the laboratory to systematically review likely pathogenic variants or variants of uncertain significance that have been previously detected and reported. The laboratory encourages health care providers to contact the laboratory at any time to learn how the status of a particular variant may have changed over time.

Technical:

Some genetic or genomic alterations, such as large insertion/deletion (indel) events, copy number alterations and gene translocation events are not detected by this assay. The depth of coverage may be variable for some target regions, but assay performance below the minimum acceptable criteria or for failed regions will be noted. Additionally, rare polymorphisms may be present that could lead to false-negative or false-positive results. If results do not match clinical findings, consider alternative methods for analyzing these genes, such as Sanger sequencing or large deletion/duplication analysis. If the patient has had an allogenic blood transfusion, these results may be inaccurate due to the presence of donor DNA

**Clinical Reference**

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## Performance

### Method Description

This next-generation sequencing assay is performed to test for the presence of a mutation in targeted regions of the following 10 genes: *C15ORF41*, *CDAN1*, *GATA1*, *HBB*, *HBD*, *KIF23*, *KLF1*, *RPS19*, *SEC23B*, and *UGT1A*. See [Targeted Genes Interrogated by NGCDA Next-Generation Sequencing](#) in Special Instructions for details regarding the targeted gene regions identified by this test. This is a laboratory-developed test using Research Use Only reagents.

Next-generation sequencing (NGS) is performed using the Illumina MiSeq instrument with paired-end, 151-base pair (bp) reads. The DNA is prepared for NGS using a custom Agilent SureSelect Target Enrichment System. Data is analyzed with the CLC Genomics Server Program. Supplemental or confirmatory Sanger sequencing is performed when necessary. (Unpublished Mayo method)

### PDF Report

No

### Specimen Retention Time

DNA 3 months

### Performing Laboratory Location

Rochester

## Fees & Codes

### Test Classification

This test was developed, and its performance characteristics determined by Mayo Clinic in a manner consistent with CLIA requirements. This test has not been cleared or approved by the US Food and Drug Administration.

### CPT Code Information

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