

## Overview

### Useful For

Supporting the diagnosis of endometrial stromal tumors when used in conjunction with an anatomic pathology consultation

### Reflex Tests

Test ID	Reporting Name	Available Separately	Always Performed
_PBCT	Probe, +2	No, (Bill Only)	No
_PADD	Probe, +1	No, (Bill Only)	No
_PB02	Probe, +2	No, (Bill Only)	No
_PB03	Probe, +3	No, (Bill Only)	No
_IL25	Interphases,	No, (Bill Only)	No
_I099	Interphases, 25-99	No, (Bill Only)	No
_I300	Interphases, >=100	No, (Bill Only)	No

### Testing Algorithm

This test does not include a pathology consultation. If a pathology consultation is requested, PATHC / Pathology Consultation should be ordered and the appropriate FISH test will be ordered and performed at an additional charge.

This test includes a charge for application of the first probe set (2 FISH probes) and professional interpretation of results. Additional charges will be incurred for all reflex probes performed. Analysis charges will be incurred based on the number of cells analyzed per probe set. If no cells are available for analysis, no analysis charges will be incurred.

Unless otherwise indicated, *JAZF1* FISH testing will be performed:

-If a *JAZF1* rearrangement is not identified by FISH, reflex testing for *PHF1* and *YWHAE* rearrangement will be performed.

-If *JAZF1* FISH testing was previously performed, reflex testing for *PHF1* or *YWHAE* may be ordered separately.

-If testing was not performed at Mayo Clinic, provide a copy of the *JAZF1* FISH report.

### Method Name

Fluorescence In Situ Hybridization (FISH)

### NY State Available

Yes

### Specimen

#### Specimen Type

Tissue

## Shipping Instructions

Advise Express Mail or equivalent if not on courier service.

## Necessary Information

**A reason for referral and pathology report are required in order for testing to be performed.** Send information with specimen. Acceptable pathology reports include working drafts, preliminary pathology or surgical pathology reports.

## Specimen Required

Submit only 1 of the following specimens:

**Specimen Type:** Tissue

**Preferred:** Tissue block

**Collection Instructions:** Submit a formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tumor tissue block. Blocks prepared with alternative fixation methods may be acceptable; provide fixation method used.

**Acceptable:** Slides

**Collection Instructions:** Six consecutive, unstained, 5 micron-thick sections placed on positively charged slides, and 1 hematoxylin and eosin-stained slide.

## Forms

[If not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send an Oncology Test Request \(T729\)](#) with the specimen.

## Specimen Minimum Volume

Three consecutive, unstained, 5 micron-thick sections placed on positively charged slides and 1 hematoxylin and eosin-stained slide

## Reject Due To

All specimens will be evaluated by Mayo Clinic Laboratories for test suitability.

## Specimen Stability Information

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Tissue	Ambient (preferred)		
	Refrigerated		

## Clinical and Interpretive

### Clinical Information

Endometrial stromal tumors (EST) arise from the uterus and include the benign endometrial stromal nodule (ESN) and infiltrative endometrial stromal sarcoma (ESS). These tumors are characterized by a translocation that fuses *JAZF1* at 7p15 to *JJAZ1* at 17q21 or a variant 6;7 translocation involving *JAZF1* and *PHF1*. Published literature

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employing FISH and reverse transcriptase PCR (RT-PCR) suggests rearrangement of *JAZF1* occurs in approximately 76% of ESN and approximately 58% of ESS. *JAZF1* is not generally considered to be involved in the genetic mechanism of the high-grade undifferentiated endometrial sarcoma (UES), although rarely some cases of UES are positive for *JAZF1*, which may reflect the presence of an ESS component.

For *PHF1* disruption, a study of 94 EST demonstrated the following:

-*PHF1/JAZF1* fusion in 4 primary ESS

-*PHF1/EPC1* fusion in 2 primary ESS and 1 extrauterine ESS

-*PHF1* rearrangement without a known partner in 6 primary or metastatic ESS and 1 extrauterine ESS

*JAZF1/JJAZ1*, *PHF1/JAZF1* and *PHF1/EPC1* fusions were mutually exclusive in individual patients.(4) No rearrangement of *PHF1* was found in ESN, UES, or non-EST tumors in the differential diagnosis. These results indicate that *PHF1* can rearrange with both known and unknown partners in addition to *JAZF1* and is potentially specific for ESS.

In high-grade ESS, a recurrent t(10;17)(q22;p13) resulting in fusion of *YWHAE* (also called 14-3-3epsilon at 17p13.3 with either *FAM22A* or *FAM22B* was identified. In contrast, *JAZF1* rearrangements are typically observed in low-grade ESS. *JAZF1* and *YWHAE* rearrangements are mutually exclusive and have distinct gene expression profiles. *YWHAE* rearrangement is potentially specific for high-grade ESS as no *YWHAE* disruption has been reported in other uterine or nonuterine mesenchymal tumors.

The clinical utility of identifying *JAZF1* rearrangement is mainly to address the differential diagnostic dilemma that occurs when ESS are present as metastatic lesions or exhibit variant morphology. In *JAZF1*-negative EST cases, reflex genetic analysis to identify *PHF1* or *YWHAE* rearrangement increases the diagnostic sensitivity for EST. In addition, confirmation of *YWHAE* rearrangement may have prognostic implications as *YWHAE* defines a distinct, clinically more aggressive and histologically higher grade subgroup of ESS compared to those with *JAZF1* rearrangements.

## Reference Values

An interpretive report will be provided.

## Interpretation

A neoplastic clone is detected when the percent of cells with an abnormality exceeds the normal cutoff for any given probe.

Detection of an abnormal clone likely indicates a diagnosis of an endometrial stromal tumor of various subtypes.

The absence of an abnormal clone does not rule out the presence of a neoplastic disorder.

## Cautions

This test is not approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and is best used as an adjunct to existing clinical and pathologic information.

Fixatives other than formalin (eg, Prefer, Bouin's) may not be successful for FISH assays, however non-formalin fixed samples will not be rejected.

Paraffin-embedded tissues that have been decalcified are generally unsuccessful for FISH analysis. The pathologist reviewing the hematoxylin and eosin-stained slide may find it necessary to cancel testing.

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## Supportive Data

### *JAZF1:*

FISH analysis was performed on 101 formalin fixed paraffin-embedded tissue specimens. These included 37 endometrial stromal tumors (EST) (8 endometrial stromal nodule [ESN], 20 primary or metastatic endometrial stromal sarcoma [ESS], and 9 primary or metastatic undifferentiated endometrial sarcoma [UES]), 38 histologic mimics of EST including cellular leiomyoma and 26 noncancerous control specimens. The normal controls were used to generate a normal cutoff for this assay. No rearrangements of *JAZF1* were identified in the 26 normal controls or 37 of the histologic mimics. A single histologic mimic was positive with a complex pattern. Rearrangement of *JAZF1* was identified in 17 of 37 (46%) EST specimens (3 ESN, 13 ESS, and 1 UES).

### *PHF1* and *YWHAE*:

FISH analysis was performed on 91 formalin fixed paraffin-embedded tissue specimens, including 20 EST (5 ESN, 7 primary or metastatic ESS, and 8 primary or metastatic UES), 35 histologic mimics of EST and 26 non-cancerous control specimens. Also included were 6 known *JAZF1*-positive cases and 4 clinical cases that were negative for *JAZF1* rearrangement. The normal controls were used to generate a normal cutoff for this assay. No rearrangements of *PHF1* or *YWHAE* were identified in the 26 normal controls or 35 of the histologic mimics. One primary UES failed to hybridize and yielded no results for either probe. Rearrangement of *PHF1* was identified in 1 of 19 (5%) of EST specimens (primary ESS) and in 1 of 6 (17%) of known *JAZF1*-positive cases (metastatic ESS). Rearrangement of *YWHAE* was identified in 2 of 19 (11%) of EST specimens (primary ESS and metastatic UES).

## Clinical Reference

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## Performance

### Method Description

The test is performed using laboratory-developed dual-color break-apart strategy probes (BAP) for *JAZF1*, *PHF1*, and *YWHAE*. Formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded tissues are cut at 5 microns and mounted on positively charged glass slides. The selection of tissue and the target areas on the hematoxylin and eosin (H and E)-stained slide are performed by a pathologist. Using the H and E-stained slide as a reference, target areas are etched with a diamond-tipped etcher on the back of the unstained slide to be assayed. The probe set is hybridized to the appropriate target areas and 2 technologists each analyze 50 interphase nuclei (100 total for each probe set) with the results expressed as the percent abnormal nuclei. (Unpublished Mayo method)

### PDF Report

No

### Day(s) and Time(s) Test Performed

Samples processed Monday through Sunday.

Results reported Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

### Analytic Time

7 days

### Maximum Laboratory Time

10 days

### Specimen Retention Time

Slides and H&E used for analysis are retained by the laboratory in accordance to CAP and NYS requirements. Client provided paraffin blocks and extra unstained slides (if provided) will be returned after testing is complete.

### Performing Laboratory Location

Rochester

## Fees and Codes

### Fees

- Authorized users can sign in to [Test Prices](#) for detailed fee information.
- Clients without access to Test Prices can contact [Customer Service](#) 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- Prospective clients should contact their Regional Manager. For assistance, contact [Customer Service](#).

### 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 U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

### CPT Code Information

88271x2, 88291  $\tilde{\text{A}}\text{ç}\hat{\text{a}},\text{-}\hat{\text{a}}\text{€}\text{œ}$  DNA probe, each (first probe set), Interpretation and report

88271x2  $\tilde{\text{A}}\text{ç}\hat{\text{a}},\text{-}\hat{\text{a}}\text{€}\text{œ}$  DNA probe, each; each additional probe set (if appropriate)

88271x1  $\tilde{\text{A}}\text{ç}\hat{\text{a}},\text{-}\hat{\text{a}}\text{€}\text{œ}$  DNA probe, each; coverage for sets containing 3 probes (if appropriate)

88271x2 DNA probe, each; coverage for sets containing 4 probes (if appropriate)

88271x3 DNA probe, each; coverage for sets containing 5 probes (if appropriate)

88274 w/modifier 52 Interphase in situ hybridization, <25 cells, each probe set (if appropriate)

88274 Interphase in situ hybridization, 25 to 99 cells, each probe set (if appropriate)

88275 Interphase in situ hybridization, 100 to 300 cells, each probe set (if appropriate)

**LOINC® Information**

Test ID	Test Order Name	Order LOINC Value
ESTUF	Endometrial Stromal Tumor, FISH, Ts	In Process

Result ID	Test Result Name	Result LOINC Value
52147	Result Summary	50397-9
52149	Interpretation	69965-2
54584	Result	62356-1
CG744	Reason for Referral	42349-1
52150	Specimen	31208-2
52151	Source	31208-2
52152	Tissue ID	80398-1
52153	Method	49549-9
55026	Additional Information	48767-8
53831	Disclaimer	62364-5
52154	Released By	18771-6