

**Overview****Useful For**

Classification of squamous cell carcinomas

**Reflex Tests**

Test ID	Reporting Name	Available Separately	Always Performed
IHTOI	IHC Initial, Tech Only	No	No
IHTOA	IHC Additional, Tech Only	No	No

**Testing Algorithm**

[For the initial technical component only immunohistochemical \(IHC\) stain performed, the appropriate bill-only test ID will be reflexed and charged \(IHTOI\). For each additional technical component only IHC stain performed, an additional bill-only test ID will be reflexed and charged \(IHTOA\).](#)

**Method Name**

Immunohistochemistry (IHC)

**NY State Available**

Yes

**Specimen****Specimen Type**

TECHONLY

**Ordering Guidance**

This test includes only technical performance of the stain (no pathologist interpretation is performed). If diagnostic consultation by a pathologist is required order PATHC / Pathology Consultation.

**Shipping Instructions**

Attach the green pathology address label and the pink Immunostain Technical Only label included in the kit to the outside of the transport container.

**Specimen Required****Supplies:** Immunostain Technical Only Envelope (T693)**Specimen Type:** Tissue**Container/Tube:** Immunostain Technical Only Envelope**Preferred:** 2 Unstained positively charged glass slide (25- x 75- x 1-mm) per test ordered; sections 4-microns thick**Acceptable:** Formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissue block

### Digital Image Access

1. Information on accessing digital images of immunohistochemical (IHC) stains and the manual requisition form can be accessed through this website: [www.mayocliniclabs.com/test-info/ihc/index.html](http://www.mayocliniclabs.com/test-info/ihc/index.html)
2. Clients ordering stains using a manual requisition form will not have access to digital images.
3. Clients wishing to access digital images must place the order for IHC stains electronically. Information regarding digital imaging can be accessed through this website: [www.mayocliniclabs.com/test-info/ihc/faq.html](http://www.mayocliniclabs.com/test-info/ihc/faq.html)

### Forms

If not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send a [Immunohistochemical \(IHC\)/In Situ Hybridization \(ISH\) Stains Request](#) (T763) with the specimen.

### Reject Due To

Wet/frozen tissue Cytology smears Nonformalin fixed tissue Nonparaffin embedded tissue Noncharged slides ProbeOn slides	Reject
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### Specimen Stability Information

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

## Clinical and Interpretive

### Clinical Information

Desmoglein 3 (DSG3) is a calcium-binding transmembrane glycoprotein component of desmosomes in vertebrate epithelial cells. Currently, three desmoglein subfamily members have been identified and all are members of the cadherin cell adhesion molecule superfamily. Positivity for DSG3 in a non-small cell lung carcinoma supports a diagnosis of squamous cell carcinoma.

### Interpretation

This test does not include pathologist interpretation; only technical performance of the stain. If an interpretation is required, order PATHC / Pathology Consultation for a full diagnostic evaluation or second opinion of the case.

The positive and negative controls are verified as showing appropriate immunoreactivity and documentation is retained at Mayo Clinic Rochester. If a control tissue is not included on the slide, a scanned image of the relevant quality control tissue is available upon request, call 855-516-8404.

Interpretation of this test should be performed in the context of the patient's clinical history and other diagnostic tests by a qualified pathologist.

## Cautions

Age of a cut paraffin section can affect immunoreactivity. Stability thresholds vary widely among published literature and are antigen-dependent. Best practice is for paraffin sections to be cut fresh.

## Clinical Reference

1. Funahashi SI, Kawai S, Fujii E, et al: Generation of an anti-desmoglein 3 antibody without pathogenic activity of pemphigus vulgaris for therapeutic application to squamous cell carcinoma. *J Biochem*. 2018 Dec;164(6):471-481. doi: 10.1093/jb/mvy074
2. Xiao J, Lu X, Chen X, et al: Eight potential biomarkers for distinguishing between lung adenocarcinoma and squamous cell carcinoma. *Oncotarget*. 2017 Sep 22;8(42):71759-71771. doi: 10.18632/oncotarget.17606
3. Brown L, Wan H: Desmoglein 3: a help or a hindrance in cancer progression? *Cancers (Basel)*. 2015 Mar;7(1):266-286. doi: 10.3390/cancers7010266

## Performance

### Method Description

Immunohistochemistry on sections of paraffin-embedded tissue. (Cartun RW, Taylor CR, Dabbs DJ: Techniques of immunohistochemistry: Principles, pitfalls, and standardization. In: Dabbs DJ, ed. *Diagnostic Immunohistochemistry*. 5th ed. Elsevier; 2019:1-46)

### PDF Report

No

### Day(s) Performed

Monday through Friday

### Report Available

1 to 3 days

### Specimen Retention Time

Until staining 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 has been cleared, approved, or is exempt by the US Food and Drug Administration and is used per manufacturer's instructions. Performance characteristics were verified by Mayo Clinic in a manner consistent with CLIA requirements.

**CPT Code Information**

88342-TC, primary

88341-TC, if additional IHC

**LOINC® Information**

Test ID	Test Order Name	Order LOINC Value
DESG3	Desmoglein 3 IHC, Tech Only	Order only;no result

Result ID	Test Result Name	Result LOINC Value
70733	Desmoglein 3 IHC, Tech Only	Bill only; no result