

Overview

Useful For

Evaluation of tissues for potential involvement by:

- Chronic lymphoproliferative disorders
- Malignant lymphomas
- Acute lymphoblastic leukemia
- Acute myelogenous leukemia

Reflex Tests

Test Id	Reporting Name	Available Separately	Always Performed
FCINT	Flow Cytometry Interp, 2-8 Markers	No, (Bill Only)	No
FCIMS	Flow Cytometry Interp, 9-15 Markers	No, (Bill Only)	No
FCINS	Flow Cytometry Interp, 16 or greater	No, (Bill Only)	No

Additional Tests

Test Id	Reporting Name	Available Separately	Always Performed
FIRST	Flow Cytometry, Cell Surface, First	No, (Bill Only)	Yes
ADD1	Flow Cytometry, Cell Surface, Addl	No, (Bill Only)	Yes

Testing Algorithm

Note: This test is only available to clients who have MayoAccess or MayoLink.

The client is responsible for the interpretation and billing of the professional component; Mayo Clinic will bill the technical component only.

The testing process begins with a screening panel. The screening panel will be charged based on the number of markers tested (FIRST for first marker, ADD1 for each additional marker). Additional testing may be performed at an additional charge for each marker tested (ADD1, as applicable) if needed to fully characterize a disease state or clarify any abnormalities from the screening panel.

The tissue panel is initially performed to evaluate for monotypic B cells by kappa and lambda immunoglobulin light chain expression, CD5, CD10, CD19, CD20, and CD23. Increased numbers of blasts and plasma cells are identified by CD45 expression along with side scatter gating. The tissue panel also includes CD3, CD5, and CD7 antibodies to evaluate T

cells. Additionally, viability is assessed on all tissue specimens using 7-AAD (7-Amino-Actinomycin D) exclusion.

This initial testing, together with the provided clinical history and morphologic review, is used to determine what, if any, additional testing is needed for disease diagnosis or classification. If additional testing is required, it will be added per algorithm to fully characterize a disease state with a charge per unique antibody tested.

Cases requiring testing for granular lymphocytic leukemia (killer-cell immunoglobulin-like receptor panel) will have an interpretation added which will be performed by a Mayo Clinic pathologist at an additional charge.

If no abnormalities are detected by the initial panel, no further flow cytometric assessment will be performed unless otherwise indicated by specific features of the clinical presentation or prior laboratory results.

Special Instructions

- [Hematopathology Patient Information](#)

Method Name

Immunophenotyping

NY State Available

Yes

Specimen**Specimen Type**

Tissue

Ordering Guidance

This test is available to clients through MayoAccess or MayoLink.

This test is **not intended** for product of conception (POC) specimens. For POC specimens see CMAPC / Chromosomal Microarray, Autopsy, Products of Conception, or Stillbirth.

Order LLTO / Leukemia and Lymphoma Phenotyping, Technical Only, Varies if the specimen is a fresh (less than 4 days post-collection), unfixed, non-embedded bone marrow core biopsy, bone or bone lesion. This is an equivalent source for bone marrow aspirate only in the event of a dry tap during the bone marrow harvesting procedure. Indicate "dry tap" in performing lab notes or paperwork when submitting this specimen type.

Shipping Instructions

Specimen must arrive within 4 days of collection.

Necessary Information

The following information is required:

1. Reason for testing
2. Tissue type
3. Tissue location
4. Surgical pathology case number

Specimen Required

Submit 1 of the following specimens:

Preferred

Specimen Type: Tissue

Supplies: Hank's Solution (T132)

Container/Tube: Sterile container with 15 mL of tissue culture medium (eg, Hank's balanced salt solution, RPMI, or equivalent)

Specimen Volume: 5 mm(3) or larger biopsy

Collection Instructions:

1. Place tissue into a sterile container with 15 mL of tissue culture medium (eg, Hank's balanced salt solution, RPMI, or equivalent).
2. Send intact specimen (**do not mince**).
3. Specimen **cannot** be fixed.

Specimen Stability Information: Ambient 4 days/Refrigerated 4 days

Acceptable

Specimen Type: Fine needle aspirate (FNA)

Supplies: Hank's Solution (T132)

Container/Tube: Sterile container with 15 mL of tissue culture medium (eg, Hank's balanced salt solution, RPMI, or equivalent)

Specimen Volume: Entire collection

Collection Instructions:

1. Collect FNA and transfer entire collection into a sterile container with 15 mL of tissue culture medium (eg, Hank's balanced salt solution, RPMI, or equivalent).
2. Send intact specimen (**do not mince**).
3. Specimen **cannot** be fixed.

Specimen Stability Information: Ambient 4 days/Refrigerated 4 days

Forms

1. [Hematopathology Patient Information](#) (T676)

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

Specimen Minimum Volume

Tissue: 1 mm(3); Fine needle aspirate: See Specimen Required

Reject Due To

Fixed,	Reject
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paraffin-embedded, or minced tissue	
Dry tissue without transport medium	Reject

Specimen Stability Information

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

Clinical & Interpretive

Clinical Information

Cellular immunophenotyping, characterizing cells by using antibodies directed against cell surface markers, is generally regarded as a fundamental element in establishing a diagnosis of tissue involvement by hematolymphoid malignancies when used in conjunction with morphologic assessment. It is also an essential component in subclassification of hematolymphoid malignancies when present.

This is a technical only test and does not include interpretation. At any point, clients may request to have a Mayo Clinic hematopathologist provide an interpretation at an additional charge.

Reference Values

Not applicable

Interpretation

Report will include a summary of the procedure.

Normal tissues typically contain a mixture of B cells with polytypic surface immunoglobulin light chain expression and T cells with unremarkable expression of the T cell-associated antigens CD3, CD5, and CD7. Typically, no appreciable blast population is present by CD45 and side scatter analysis.

Cautions

It is well recognized that a negative flow cytometry result does not exclude tissue involvement by hematolymphoid malignancy. This may be attributable to sampling bias, although some malignancies, such as Hodgkin lymphoma, are not detected by this technique.

Viability will be assessed in all tissue specimens. Cases in which the viability is low (<50%) are prone to false-negative results and, therefore, must be interpreted with caution. In cases with viability less than 50%, testing will be attempted but may not be interpretable. Fine-needle aspiration and small biopsy specimens have a higher frequency of low cell

counts and poor viability, which may be uninterpretable.

Even when abnormal, in most instances the results of flow cytometry are insufficient for complete subclassification of a hematolymphoid malignancy. Precise subclassification requires correlation with the histopathologic features in paraffin-embedded materials and, in some instances, the results of cytogenetic analyses.

The tissue used for flow cytometry cannot be subsequently submitted for histopathologic evaluation. For this reason, this technique should be avoided in small biopsy specimens.

Clinical Reference

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Performance

Method Description

Flow cytometric immunophenotyping of tissues is performed using the following antibodies:

Tissue Panel: CD3, CD5, CD7, CD10, CD19, CD20, CD23, CD45, 7-AAD, and kappa and lambda immunoglobulin light chains.

Possible Additional Panels: Performed per algorithmic approach:

T-cell Panel: CD2, CD3, CD4, CD5, CD7, CD8, CD45, TRBC1, and gamma/delta

Acute Panel: CD2, CD3, CD5, CD7, CD13, CD15, CD19, CD20, CD33, CD34, CD45, CD56, CD117 and HLA-DR

Myeloperoxidase/terminal deoxynucleotidyl transferase (MPO/TdT) Panel: cytoplasmic CD3, CD13, cytoplasmic CD22, CD34, CD45, cytoplasmic CD79a, nuclear TdT, and cytoplasmic MPO

Plasma Cell Panel: CD19, CD38, CD45, CD138, and cytoplasmic kappa and lambda immunoglobulin light chains

(Keren P, McCoy JP, Carey J, eds. Flow Cytometry in Clinical Diagnosis. 4th ed. ASCP Press; 2007; Betters DM: Use of flow cytometry in clinical practice. J Adv Pract Oncol. 2015;6[5]:435-440)

PDF Report

Supplemental

Day(s) Performed

Monday through Sunday

Report Available

1 to 4 days

Specimen Retention Time

Remaining tissue: 7 days

Performing Laboratory Location

Mayo Clinic Laboratories - Rochester Main Campus

Fees & 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 account representative. 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. It has not been cleared or approved by the US Food and Drug Administration.

CPT Code Information

88184-Flow cytometry; first cell surface, cytoplasmic or nuclear marker x 1

88185-Flow cytometry; additional cell surface, cytoplasmic or nuclear marker (each)

Additional CPTs may be added if consultative help is needed with the case, or algorithm dictates Mayo consultant involvement.

88187-Flow Cytometry Interpretation, 2 to 8 Markers (if appropriate)

88188-Flow Cytometry Interpretation, 9 to 15 Markers (if appropriate)

88189-Flow Cytometry Interpretation, 16 or More Markers (if appropriate)

LOINC® Information

Test ID	Test Order Name	Order LOINC® Value
LLTOT	Leukemia/Lymphoma; Tech Only Tissue	101119-6

Result ID	Test Result Name	Result LOINC® Value
621506	LLTOT Result	69052-9
621507	Final Diagnosis	22637-3
621508	Special Studies	30954-2
621509	Microscopic Description	22635-7
CKR3	Reason for Referral	42349-1
CKS3	Tissue Type	31208-2
CKT3	Tissue Location	22633-2
CKPN3	Surgical Pathology Number	80398-1