
Reporting Title: HEXB Gene, Full Gene Analysis**Performing Location:** Rochester**Ordering Guidance:**

The recommended first-tier test for Sandhoff disease is hexosaminidase A and total testing in serum (NAGS / Hexosaminidase A and Total Hexosaminidase, Serum) or leukocytes (NAGW / Hexosaminidase A and Total Hexosaminidase, Leukocytes).

Testing for HEXB gene as part of a customized panel is available. For more information see CGPH / Custom Gene Panel, Hereditary, Next-Generation Sequencing, Varies.

Targeted testing for familial variants (also called site-specific or known mutations testing) is available for the HEXB gene. See FMTT / Familial Variant, Targeted Testing, Varies. To obtain more information about this testing option, call 800-533-1710.

Shipping Instructions:

Specimen preferred to arrive within 96 hours of collection.

Specimen Requirements:

Patient Preparation: A previous bone marrow transplant from an allogenic donor will interfere with testing. For instructions for testing patients who have received a bone marrow transplant, call 800-533-1710.

Submit only 1 of the following specimens:

Specimen Type: Whole blood

Container/Tube: Lavender top (EDTA) or yellow top (ACD)

Specimen Volume: 3 mL

Collection Instructions:

1. Invert several times to mix blood.
2. Send whole blood specimen in original tube. Do not aliquot.

Specimen Stability Information: Ambient (preferred) 4 days/Refrigerated 14 days

Specimen Type: Skin biopsy

Supplies: Fibroblast Biopsy Transport Media (T115)

Container/Tube: Sterile container with any standard cell culture media (eg, minimal essential media, RPMI 1640). The solution should be supplemented with 1% penicillin and streptomycin.

Specimen Volume: 4-mm punch

Specimen Stability Information: Refrigerated (preferred)/Ambient

Additional Information: A separate culture charge will be assessed under CULFB / Fibroblast Culture for Biochemical or Molecular Testing. An additional 3 to 4 weeks is required to culture fibroblasts before genetic testing can occur.

Specimen Type: Cultured fibroblast

Container/Tube: T-25 flask

Specimen Volume: 2 Flasks

Collection Instructions: Submit confluent cultured fibroblast cells from a skin biopsy from another laboratory. Cultured

cells from a prenatal specimen will not be accepted.

Specimen Stability Information: Ambient (preferred)/Refrigerated (<24 hours)

Additional Information: A separate culture charge will be assessed under CULFB / Fibroblast Culture for Biochemical or Molecular Testing. An additional 3 to 4 weeks is required to culture fibroblasts before genetic testing can occur.

Specimen Type: Blood spot

Supplies: Card-Blood Spot Collection (Filter Paper) (T493)

Container/Tube:

Preferred: Collection card (Whatman Protein Saver 903 Paper)

Acceptable: PerkinElmer 226 (formerly Ahlstrom 226) filter paper or blood spot collection card

Specimen Volume: 5 Blood spots

Collection Instructions:

1. An alternative blood collection option for a patient older than 1 year is a fingerstick. For detailed instructions, see How to Collect Dried Blood Spot Samples.
2. Let blood dry on the filter paper at ambient temperature in a horizontal position for a minimum of 3 hours.
3. Do not expose specimen to heat or direct sunlight.
4. Do not stack wet specimens.
5. Keep specimen dry.

Specimen Stability Information: Ambient (preferred)/Refrigerated

Additional Information:

1. Due to lower concentration of DNA yielded from blood spot, it is possible that additional specimen may be required to complete testing.
2. For collection instructions, see Blood Spot Collection Instructions
3. For collection instructions in Spanish, see Blood Spot Collection Card-Spanish Instructions (T777)
4. For collection instructions in Chinese, see Blood Spot Collection Card-Chinese Instructions (T800)

Specimen Type: Saliva

Patient Preparation: Patient should not eat, drink, smoke, or chew gum 30 minutes prior to collection.

Supplies: Saliva Swab Collection Kit (T786)

Specimen Volume: 1 Swab

Collection Instructions: Collect and send specimen per kit instructions.

Specimen Stability Information: Ambient 30 days

Additional Information: Due to lower concentration of DNA yielded from saliva, it is possible that additional specimen may be required to complete testing.

Specimen Minimum Volume:

See Specimen Required

Forms:

1. New York Clients-Informed consent is required. Document on the request form or electronic order that a copy is on file. The following documents are available:
 - Informed Consent for Genetic Testing (T576)
 - Informed Consent for Genetic Testing (Spanish) (T826)
2. Molecular Genetics: Biochemical Disorders Patient Information (T527)

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Varies	Varies		

Ask at Order Entry (AOE) Questions:

Test ID	Question ID	Description	Type	Reportable
CULFB	CG770	Reason for Referral	Plain Text	No
CULFB	CG899	Specimen	Plain Text	No

Result Codes:

Result ID	Reporting Name	Type	Unit	LOINC®
608716	Test Description	Alphanumeric		62364-5
608717	Specimen	Alphanumeric		31208-2
608718	Source	Alphanumeric		31208-2
608719	Result Summary	Alphanumeric		50397-9
608720	Result	Alphanumeric		82939-0
608721	Interpretation	Alphanumeric		69047-9
608722	Resources	Alphanumeric		99622-3
608723	Additional Information	Alphanumeric		48767-8
608724	Method	Alphanumeric		85069-3
608725	Genes Analyzed	Alphanumeric		48018-6
608726	Disclaimer	Alphanumeric		62364-5
608727	Released By	Alphanumeric		18771-6

LOINC and CPT codes are provided by the performing laboratory.

Supplemental Report:
Supplemental**CPT Code Information:**

81479
88233-Tissue culture, skin, solid tissue biopsy (if appropriate)
88240-Cryopreservation (if appropriate)

Reflex Tests:

Test ID	Reporting Name	CPT Units	CPT Code	Always Performed	Orderable Separately
CULFB	Fibroblast Culture for Genetic Test			No	Yes

Result Codes for Reflex Tests:

Test ID	Result ID	Reporting Name	Type	Unit	LOINC®
CULFB	52327	Result Summary	Alphanumeric		50397-9
CULFB	52329	Interpretation	Alphanumeric		69965-2
CULFB	52328	Result	Alphanumeric		82939-0
CULFB	CG770	Reason for Referral	Alphanumeric		42349-1
CULFB	CG899	Specimen	Alphanumeric		31208-2
CULFB	52331	Source	Alphanumeric		31208-2
CULFB	52332	Method	Alphanumeric		85069-3
CULFB	54625	Additional Information	Alphanumeric		48767-8
CULFB	52333	Released By	Alphanumeric		18771-6

Reference Values:

An interpretive report will be provided.