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**Reporting Title:** NOTCH3 Gene, Full Gene Analysis**Performing Location:** Rochester**Ordering Guidance:**

Targeted testing (also called site-specific or known variant testing) is available for variants identified in this gene. See FMTT / Familial Variant, Targeted Testing, Varies.

**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. Call 800-533-1710 for instructions for testing patients who have received a bone marrow transplant.

Submit only 1 of the following specimens:

**Specimen Type:** Whole blood

**Container/Tube:**

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

**Acceptable:** Any anticoagulant

**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)/Refrigerated

**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

**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.

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

Specimen Stability Information: Ambient 30 days

**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: Neurology Patient Information

3. If not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send a Neurology Specialty Testing Client Test Request (T732) with the specimen.

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®
616564	Test Description	Alphanumeric		62364-5
616565	Specimen	Alphanumeric		31208-2
616566	Source	Alphanumeric		31208-2
616567	Result Summary	Alphanumeric		50397-9
616568	Result	Alphanumeric		82939-0
616569	Interpretation	Alphanumeric		69047-9
616570	Resources	Alphanumeric		In Process
616571	Additional Information	Alphanumeric		48767-8
616572	Method	Alphanumeric		85069-3
616573	Genes Analyzed	Alphanumeric		82939-0
616574	Disclaimer	Alphanumeric		62364-5
616575	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.