

# Retinitis Pigmentosa/Leber Congenital Amaurosis Panel, 53 Genes

## Indications for Ordering

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- Individuals with a clinical diagnosis of
  - Retinitis pigmentosa (RP)
  - Leber congenital amaurosis (LCA)
  - Cone-rod dystrophy
  - Another related disorder of retinal function

## Test Description

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Massively parallel sequencing/exonic oligonucleotide-based comparative genomic hybridization (CGH) microarray

## Tests to Consider

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### Primary tests

[Retinitis Pigmentosa/Leber Congenital Amaurosis Panel, Sequencing and Deletion/Duplication, 53 Genes 2007085](#)

- Preferred panel for confirming diagnosis of congenital retinal diseases

### Related test

[Familial Mutation, Targeted Sequencing 2001961](#)

- Useful when a pathogenic familial variant identifiable by sequencing is known

## Disease Overview

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### Incidence

- RP – 1/3,000-5,000
- LCA – ~1/30,000-81,000

**Prevalence** – accounts for >5% of all inherited retinopathies

### Symptoms

#### RP

- Heterogeneous group of disorders
- Most common clinical features
  - Decreased visual acuity, high myopia, astigmatism
  - Night blindness
    - Typically occurs in childhood
  - Tunnel vision
- Progressive loss of central vision
  - Typically occurs in third decade

- Ophthalmic examination
  - Dark pigmentary changes to the fundus
  - Attenuated retinal vessels
  - Cystoid macular edema
  - Waxy appearance to the optic disc pallor
  - Fine pigmented vitreous cells
  - Posterior subcapsular cataracts (39-72%)
  - Keratoconus
- Mild hearing loss
- Individuals with autosomal dominant RP generally have milder disease than those with autosomal recessive or X-linked RP

#### LCA

- Most common clinical features
  - Initial symptom – poor visual acuity in first year of life
  - Severe retinal dystrophy
  - Congenital nystagmus
  - Poor to near absent pupillary response
  - Photophobia
  - Keratoconus
  - High hyperopia (vision usually 20/400 or less)
  - Characteristic rubbing and poking of the eye (Franceschetti's oculo-digital sign)

## Genetics

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**Genes** – See table

### Inheritance

- RP and LCA
  - Autosomal recessive
  - Autosomal dominant
  - X-linked – *RPGR*, *RP2*
  - Digenic (rare) – *PRPH2*, *ROM1*

## Test Interpretation

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**Clinical sensitivity** – unknown

## Results

- Positive
  - Pathogenic variant detected
    - Diagnosis of suspected disorder confirmed
- Negative
  - No pathogenic variant detected
    - Risk of being affected with RP or LCA reduced but not eliminated
- Inconclusive
  - Sequencing and deletion/duplication may detect variants of unknown clinical significance

## Limitations

- Only genes listed in table below will be analyzed
- Not evaluated/detected
  - Deep intronic variants
  - Regulatory region variants
  - Breakpoints of large deletions and/or duplications
  - Copy number variants smaller than 1 kb (1,000 base pairs) by deletion/duplication analysis
  - Variants in genes not in table below
  - The first exon of each gene with deletion/duplication analysis
  - Amino acids 737-998 (ORF15) of the *RPGR* gene
- Polymorphisms in RNA bait-binding site may compromise analytical specificity

Gene Symbol	Gene Name	NM #	OMIM #	Inherited		Proportion of RP or LCA Due to Variant	Variants in This Gene Have Been Associated With
				RP	LCA		
<i>ABCA4</i>	ATP-binding cassette, subfamily A (ABC1), member 4	000350	601691	AR		arRP – 2-5%	AR Stargardt disease; cone-rod dystrophy
<i>AIPL1</i>	Aryl hydrocarbon receptor interacting protein-like 1	014336	604392	AD	AR	adRP – rare LCA4 – 4-8%	Cone-rod dystrophy; AD retinopathy
<i>BEST1</i>	Bestrophin 1	004183	607854	AD		adRP – rare arRP – ≤1%	
<i>C2ORF71</i>	Chromosome 2 open reading frame 71	001029883	613425	AR		arRP – ≤1%	
<i>CA4</i>	Carbonic anhydrase 4	000717	600852	AD		adRP – rare	
<i>CDHR1</i>	Cadherin-related family member 1	033100	609502	AR			
<i>CEP290</i>	Centrosomal protein 290kDa	025114	610142		AR	LCA – ≤20%	Joubert syndrome; nephronophthisis; Meckel-Gruber syndrome
<i>CERKL</i>	Ceramide kinase-like	001030311	608381	AR		arRP – 3-4% in Spain	
<i>CNGA1</i>	Cyclic nucleotide gated channel alpha 1	001142564	123825	AR		arRP – 1-2%	
<i>CNGB1</i>	Cyclic nucleotide gated channel beta 1	001297	600724	AR		arRP – ≤1%	
<i>CRB1</i>	Crumbs homolog 1 (Drosophila)	201253	600105	AR	AR	arRP – 6-7% in Spain LCA – unknown	RP with Coats-like vasculopathy; RP with preserved para-arteriolar RPE (PPRPE)
<i>CRX</i>	Cone-rod homeobox	000554	120970	AD	AR AD	adRP – 1% LCA – ~3%	Cone-rod dystrophy
<i>DHDDS</i>	Dehydrodolichyl diphosphate synthase	024887	608172	AR		arRP – ≤1%	
<i>EYS</i>	Eyes shut homolog (Drosophila)	001142800	602772	AR		arRP – 10-30% in Spain; common in China	
<i>FSCN2</i>	Fascin homolog 2, actin-bundling protein, retinal (Strongylocentrotus purpuratus)	001077182	607643	AD		adRP – 3% in Japan; otherwise rare	
<i>GUCA1B</i>	Guanylate cyclase activator 1B (retina)	002098	602275	AD		adRP – 4-5% in Japan; rare in UK	
<i>GUCY2D</i>	Guanylate cyclase 2D, membrane (retina-specific)	000180	600179		AR	LCA – 6-21%	AD cone-rod dystrophy
<i>IDH3B</i>	Socitrate dehydrogenase 3 (NAD+) beta	006899	604526	AR		arRP – ≤1%	

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<i>IMPDH1</i>	(inosine 5'-monophosphate) dehydrogenase 1	000883	146690	AD	AR	adRP – 2-3% LCA – rare	
<i>KLHL7</i>	Kelch-like family member 7	001031710	611119	AD		adRP – 1-2%	
<i>LCA5</i>	Leber congenital amaurosis 5	181714	611408		AR	LCA – ~1-2%	
<i>LRAT</i>	Lecithin retinol acyltransferase (phosphatidylcholine – retinol O-acyltransferase)	004744	604863	AR	AR	arRP – ≤1% LCA – unknown	
<i>MERTK</i>	c-mer proto-oncogene tyrosine kinase	006343	604705	AR		arRP – ≤1%	
<i>NR2E3</i>	Nuclear receptor subfamily 2, group E, member 3	014249 <i>NR2E3</i>	604485	AD AR		adRP – 1-2% arRP – rare; found in Sephardic Jews in Portugal	AR enhanced S-cone syndrome
<i>NRL</i>	Neural retina leucine zipper	006177	162080	AD AR		adRP – rare arRP – rare	
<i>PDE6A</i>	Phosphodiesterase 6A, cGMP-specific, rod, alpha	000440	180071	AR		arRP – 2-5%	
<i>PDE6B</i>	Phosphodiesterase 6B, cGMP-specific, rod, beta	000283	180072	AR		arRP – 2-5%	
<i>PRCD</i>	Progressive rod-cone degeneration	001077620	610598	AR		arRP – ≤1%	
<i>PROM1</i>	Prominin 1	006017	604365	AR		arRP – ≤1	
<i>PRPF3</i>	Pre-mRNA processing factor 3	004698	601414	AD		adRP – 1% several families	
<i>PRPF31</i>	Pre-mRNA processing factor 31	015629	600138	AD		adRP – 5-10%	
<i>PRPF8</i>	Pre-mRNA processing factor 8	006445	600059	AD		adRP – 2-3%	
<i>RD3</i>	Retinal degeneration 3	183059	180040		AR	LCA – unknown	
<i>RDH12</i>	Retinol dehydrogenase 12 (all-trans/9-cis/11-cis)	152443	608830	AD	AR	adRP – unknown LCA – ~4%	Severe, progressive cone-rod dystrophy
<i>PRPH2</i>	PRPH2 peripherin 2 (retinal degeneration, slow)	000322	179605	AD		adRP – 5-10%	adMD; AD adult vitelliform MD; digenic RP with <i>ROM1</i>
<i>RGR</i>	Retinal G protein-coupled receptor	002921	600342	AR		arRP – ≤1%	AD coroidal sclerosis
<i>RHO</i>	Rhodopsin	000539	180380	AD AR		adRP – 20-30% adRP – ≤1T	AD CSNB
<i>RLBP1</i>	Retinaldehyde binding protein 1	000326	180090	AR		arRP – ≤1%	AR Bothnia dystrophy; AR retinitis punctata albescans; AR Newfoundland rod-cone dystrophy
<i>ROM1</i>	Retinal outer segment membrane protein 1	000327	180721	AD		Rare	Digenic RP with <i>PRPH2</i>
<i>RP1</i>	Retinitis pigmentosa 1 (autosomal dominant)	006269	180100	AD AR		adRP – 3-4% arRP – ≤1%	
<i>RP2</i>	Retinitis pigmentosa 2 (X-linked recessive)	006915	300757	XL		10-20%	Peripapillary and macular atrophy
<i>RP9</i>	Retinitis pigmentosa 9 (autosomal dominant)	203288	180104	AD		Rare	
<i>RPE65</i>	Retinal pigment epithelium-specific protein 65kDa	000329	180069	AR	AR	adRP – rare arRP – 2-5% LCA – 3-16%	

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<i>RPGR</i>	Retinitis pigmentosa GTPase regulator	000328	300029	XL		70-90%	XL CSNB; XL cone dystrophy 1; XLR atrophic MD; RP plus sensorineural hearing loss and recurrent sinopulmonary infection
<i>RPGRIP1</i>	Retinitis pigmentosa GTPase regulator interacting protein 1	020366	605446		AR	LCA – ~5%	AR cone-rod dystrophy
<i>SAG</i>	S-antigen; retina and pineal gland (arrestin)	000541	181031	AR		Rare arRP – 2-3% in Japan	AR Oguchi disease
<i>SEMA4A</i>	Sema domain, immunoglobulin domain (Ig), transmembrane domain (TM) and short cytoplasmic domain, (semaphorin) 4A	022367	607292	AD		adRP – 3-4% in Pakistan	
<i>SNRNP200</i>	Small nuclear ribonucleoprotein, 200-kd	014014	601664	AD		adRP – unknown	
<i>SPATA7</i>	Spermatogenesis associated 7	018418	604232	AR	AR	arRP – ≤1% LCA – unknown	
<i>TOPORS</i>	Topoisomerase I binding, arginine/serine-rich, E3 ubiquitin protein ligase	005802	609507	AD		adRP – 1%	
<i>TTC8</i>	Tetratricopeptide repeat domain 8	144596	608132	AR		arRP – ≤1%	
<i>TULP1</i>	Tubby like protein 1	003322	600132	AR	AR	arRP – ≤1% LCA – unknown	
<i>USH2A</i>	Usher syndrome 2A (autosomal recessive, mild)	206933	608400	AR		arRP – 10-15%	Usher syndrome, type 2

AD = autosomal dominant, AR = autosomal recessive, XL = X-linked