

Cystic Fibrosis (*CFTR*) 165 Pathogenic Variants

Indications for Ordering

- Carrier screening
 - Expectant couples
 - Couples planning a pregnancy
 - Individuals with a family history of cystic fibrosis (CF)
- Diagnostic testing for individuals with symptoms of CF

Test Description

Polymerase chain reaction followed by fluorescence monitoring of 165 pathogenic *CFTR* gene variants (see Table 1)

- If both the R117H variant and the 5T variant are detected, test will automatically reflex to cis/trans testing to determine whether the variants are on the same chromosome
 - The mild 5T variant, c.1210–12[5], will only be reported if either the R117H variant is detected or the individual is reported to be symptomatic

Tests to Consider

Primary test

[Cystic Fibrosis \(*CFTR*\) 165 Pathogenic Variants 2013661](#)

- Carrier screening for expectant individuals and those planning a pregnancy
- Diagnostic testing for individuals with symptoms of classic CF

Related tests

[Cystic Fibrosis \(*CFTR*\) Sequencing 0051110](#)

- For individuals with suspected CF but without 2 pathogenic variants detected by the CF 165 pathogenic variants test
- This test is NOT indicated for routine obstetric carrier screening

[Cystic Fibrosis \(*CFTR*\) 165 Pathogenic Variants with Reflex to Sequencing 2013663](#)

- For individuals with suspected CF
- This test is NOT indicated for routine obstetric carrier screening
- If individual is not symptomatic, order the CF 165 pathogenic variants test

[Cystic Fibrosis \(*CFTR*\) Sequencing with Reflex to Deletion/Duplication 0051640](#)

- For individuals with suspected CF but without 2 pathogenic variants detected by the CF 165 pathogenic variants test
- This test is NOT indicated for routine obstetric carrier screening

[Cystic Fibrosis \(*CFTR*\) 165 Pathogenic Variants with Reflex to Sequencing and Reflex to Deletion/Duplication 2013664](#)

- For individuals with suspected CF
- This test is NOT indicated for routine obstetric carrier screening
- If individual is not symptomatic, order the CF 165 pathogenic variants test

[Cystic Fibrosis \(*CFTR*\) 165 Pathogenic Variants, Fetal 2013662](#)

- For fetal testing when both parents are known carriers of one of the variants on the CF 165 pathogenic variants test or fetus has an echogenic bowel

[Genetic Carrier Screen \(CF, FXS, and SMA\) with Reflex to Methylation 3000258](#)

- Screen for genetic variants that indicate carrier status for cystic fibrosis (CF), fragile X syndrome (FXS), and spinal muscular atrophy (SMA) in pregnant couples or those planning a pregnancy
- Do not use for diagnostic testing in patients with symptoms of CF, FXS, or SMA

[Familial Mutation, Targeted Sequencing 2001961](#)

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

Disease Overview

Incidence

- Classic CF (Abeliovich, 1992)
 - Ashkenazi Jews – 1/2,300
 - Caucasians – 1/2,500
 - Hispanic Americans – 1/13,500
 - African Americans – 1/15,100
 - Asian Americans – 1/35,100
- Other *CFTR*-related disorders – unknown

Carrier frequency

- Ashkenazi Jews – 1/24
- European Caucasians – 1/25
- Hispanic Americans – 1/58
- African Americans – 1/61
- Asian Americans – 1/94

Symptoms

- Classic CF
 - Chronic sinopulmonary disease and infections
 - Pancreatic insufficiency (endocrine and exocrine)
 - Hepatic disease-biliary obstruction and portal fibrosis
 - Prolapsed rectum
 - Failure to thrive
 - Meconium ileus
 - Obstructive azoospermia
 - Salt loss syndromes
 - Life expectancy – ~41 years
- *CFTR*-related disorders
 - Idiopathic pancreatitis
 - Bilateral absence of the vas deferens (BAVD)
 - Bronchiectasis
 - Nasal polyposis
 - Typically presents in adulthood
 - Often does not decrease life expectancy

Consensus criteria

- The American College of Medical Genetics has recommended all couples planning a pregnancy be offered carrier screening for 23 specific pathogenic *CFTR* variants (Watson, 2004)
- The American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists recommends screening for 23 pathogenic *CFTR* variants in expectant couples (2011)

Genetics

Gene – *CFTR*

Inheritance – autosomal recessive

Penetrance

- Severe pathogenic variants – high
- Mild pathogenic variants – variable

Variants

- >2,000 variants in *CFTR* gene
 - Most are very rare and not well characterized
 - 2.6% are large insertions/deletions
 - *CFTR* is the only gene known to be causative for CF
 - CF 165 pathogenic variants test includes the 23 ACMG recommended variants and an additional 142 pathogenic variants (see Table 1)
- Classic CF
 - Two severe pathogenic *CFTR* variants on opposite chromosomes
- *CFTR*-related disorders
 - Typically one severe and one mild *CFTR* variant on opposite chromosomes

- BAVD
 - At least one pathogenic *CFTR* variant – ~75%
 - Two pathogenic *CFTR* variants – ~20%
 - One pathogenic *CFTR* variant and one 5T variant – 25%
 - One pathogenic *CFTR* variant – 20%
 - One 5T variant – 10%
- Idiopathic pancreatitis
 - Up to 40% have at least one pathogenic *CFTR* variant

Test Interpretation

Sensitivity/specificity

- Clinical sensitivity is based on ethnicity
 - Ashkenazi Jews – 96%
 - Caucasians – 92%
 - Hispanic Americans – 80%
 - African Americans – 78%
 - Asian Americans – 55%
- Analytical sensitivity/specificity – 99%

Results

- Asymptomatic individuals undergoing carrier screening
 - No detectable variants
 - Reduced CF carrier risk
 - A table with risk reduction based on ethnicity is provided to predict carrier risk (see Table 2)
 - If an individual with a family history of CF has no detectable variants, Bayesian analysis is necessary to determine residual carrier risk
 - One pathogenic variant identified
 - Predicted to be a CF carrier
 - CF screening should be offered to the reproductive partner
- Symptomatic individuals
 - Two severe pathogenic variants identified
 - Predicted to be affected with classic CF disease
 - One severe and one mild pathogenic variant identified
 - Predicted to be at risk for a *CFTR*-related disorder
 - One severe pathogenic variant identified
 - At least a CF carrier
 - Consider *CFTR* gene sequencing and deletion/duplication analysis
 - A table showing the percentage of affected individuals by ethnicity without two detectable pathogenic variants is provided (see Table 3)
 - No detectable variants
 - Decreased risk to be a carrier of or affected with CF
 - Consider *CFTR* sequencing and deletion/duplication testing if suspicion for CF remains
 - A table showing the percentage of affected individuals by ethnicity with no detectable pathogenic variants is provided (see Table 3)

Limitations

- Diagnostic errors can occur due to rare sequence variations
- Only the 165 *CFTR* variants listed will be interrogated

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| CFTR 165 Pathogenic Variants Tested | | |
|---|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Legacy Name | cDNA Name | Protein Name |
| M1V | c.1A>G | p.Met1Val |
| CFTRdele2,3 (deletion of exons 2 and 3) | c.54-5940_273+10250del | Exons 2-3del |
| Q39X | c.115C>T | p.Gln39X |
| E60X | c.178G>T | p.Glu60X |
| P67L | c.200C>T | p.Pro67Leu |
| R75X | c.223C>T | p.Arg75X |
| ➤ G85E | c.254G>A | p.Gly85Glu |
| 394delTT | c.262_263delTT | p.Leu88IlefsX22 aka p.Leu88fs |
| 405+1G>A | c.273+1G>A | Intronic |
| 405+3A>C | C.273+3A>C | Intronic |
| 406-1G>A | c.274-1G>A | Intronic |
| E92K | c.274G>A | p.Glu92Lys |
| E92X | c.274G>T | p.Glu92X |
| Q98X | c.292C>T | p.Gln98X |
| 444delA | c.313delA | p.Ile105SerfsX2 aka p.Ile105fs |
| 457TAT>G | c.325_327delTATinsG | p.Tyr109GlyfsX4 aka p.Tyr109fs |
| D110H | c.328G>C | p.Asp110His |
| R117C | c.349C>T | p.Arg117Cys |
| ➤ R117H | c.350G>A | p.Arg117His |
| Y122X | c.366T>A | p.Tyr122X |
| 574delA | c.442delA | p.Ile148LeufsX5 aka p.Ile148fs |
| ➤ 621+1G>T | c.489+1G>T | Intronic |
| 663delT | c.531delT | p.Ile177MetfsX12 aka p.Ile177fs |
| G178R | c.532G>A | p.Gly178Arg |
| ➤ 711+1G>T | c.579+1G>T | Intronic |
| 711+5G>A | c.579+5G>A | Intronic |
| 711+3A>G | c.579+3A>G | Intronic |
| 712-1G>T | c.580-1G>T | Intronic |
| H199Y | c.595C>T | p.His199Tyr |
| P205S | c.613C>T | p.Pro205Ser |

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| Legacy Name | cDNA Name | Protein Name |
| L206W | c.617T>G | p.Leu206Trp |
| Q220X | c.658C>T | p.Gln220X |
| L227R | c.680T>G | p.Leu227Arg |
| 852del22 | c.720_741delAGGGAGAATGATGATGAAGTAC | p.Gly241GlufsX13 aka p.Gly241fs |
| 935delA | c.803delA | p.Asn268IlefsX17 aka p.Asn268fs |
| 936delTA | c.805_806delAT | p.Ile269ProfsX4 aka p.Ile269fs |
| F311del | c.933_935delCTT | p.Phe312del |
| 1078delT | c.948delT | p.Phe316LeufsX12 aka p.Phe316fs |
| G330X | c.988G>T | p.Gly330X |
| ➤ R334W | c.1000C>T | p.Arg334Trp |
| I336K | c.1007T>A | p.Ile336Lys |
| S341P | c.1021T>C | p.Ser341Pro |
| 1154insTC | c.1022_1023insTC | p.Phe342HisfsX28 aka p.Phe342fs |
| R347H | c.1040G>A | p.Arg347His |
| ➤ R347P | c.1040G>C | p.Arg347Pro |
| R352Q | c.1055G>A | p.Arg352Gln |
| 1213delT | c.1081delT | p.Trp361GlyfsX8 aka p.Trp361fs |
| 1248+1G>A | c.1116+1G>A | Intronic |
| 1259insA | c.1127_1128insA | p.Gln378AlafsX4 aka p.Gln378fs |
| 1288insTA | c.1153_1154insAT | p.Asn386IlefsX3 aka p.Asn386fs |
| W401X(TAG) | c.1202G>A | p.Trp401X |
| W401X(TGA) | c.1203G>A | p.Trp401X |
| 1341+1G>A | c.1209+1G>A | Intronic |
| IVS8 5T ^a | c.1210-12 ⁵ | Intronic |
| 1461ins4 | c.1329_1330insAGAT | p.Ile444ArgfsX3 aka p.Ile444fs |
| 1471delA | c.1340delA | p.Lys447ArgfsX2 aka p.Lys447fs |
| ➤ A455E | c.1364C>A | p.Ala455Glu |
| 1525-1G>A | c.1393-1G>A | Intronic |
| S466X(TAA) | c.1397C>A | p.Ser466X |
| S466X(TAG) | c.1397C>G | p.Ser466X |
| L467P | c.1400T>C | p.Leu467Pro |
| 1548delG | c.1418delG | p.Gly473GlufsX54 aka p.Gly473fs |
| G480C | c.1438G>T | p.Gly480Cys |
| S489X | c.1466C>A | p.Ser489X |
| S492F | c.1475C>T | p.Ser492Phe |
| Q493X | c.1477C>T | p.Gln493X |
| ➤ I507del | c.1519_1521delATC | p.Ile507del |
| ➤ F508del | c.1521_1523delCTT | p.Phe508del |
| 1677delTA | c.1545_1546delTA | p.Tyr515X |

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| Legacy Name | cDNA Name | Protein Name |
| V520F | c.1558G>T | p.Val520Phe |
| C524X | c.1572C>A | p.Cys524X |
| Q525X | c.1573C>T | p.Gln525X |
| ➤ 1717-1G>A | c.1585-1G>A | Intronic |
| 1717-8G>A | c.1585-8G>A | Intronic |
| ➤ G542X | c.1624G>T | p.Gly542X |
| S549R(A>C) | c.1645A>C | p.Ser549Arg |
| S549N | c.1646G>A | p.Ser549Asn |
| S549R(T>G) | c.1647T>G | p.Ser549Arg |
| G551S | c.1651G>A | p.Gly551Ser |
| ➤ G551D | c.1652G>A | p.Gly551Asp |
| Q552X | c.1654C>T | p.Gln552X |
| ➤ R553X | c.1657C>T | p.Arg553X |
| A559T | c.1675G>A | p.Ala559Thr |
| R560K | c.1679G>A | p.Arg560Lys |
| ➤ R560T | c.1679G>C | p.Arg560Thr |
| 1811+1.6kbA>G | c.1679+1.6kbA>G aka c.1679+1.6kbAG | Intronic |
| 1812-1G>A | c.1680-1G>A | Intronic |
| 1833delT | c.1703delT | p.Leu568CysfsX4 aka p.Leu568fs |
| Y569D | c.1705T>G | p.Tyr569Asp |
| P574H | c.1721C>A | p.Pro574His |
| E585X | c.1753G>T | p.Glu585X |
| ➤ 1898+1G>A | c.1766+1G>A | Intronic |
| 1898+3A>G | c.1766+3A>G | Intronic |
| 1924del7 | c.1792_1798delAAAACTA | p.Lys598GlyfsX11 aka p.Lys598fs |
| 2043delG | c.1911delG | p.Gln637HisfsX26 aka p.Gln637fs |
| 2055del9>A | c.1923_1931del9insA | p.Ser641ArgfsX5 aka p.Ser641fs |
| 2105-2117del13insAGAAA | c.1973_1985del13insAGAAA | p.Arg658LysfsX4 aka p.Arg658fs |
| 2108delA | c.1976delA | p.Asn659IlefsX4 aka p.Asn659fs |
| 2143delT | c.2012delT | p.Leu671X |
| 2183delAA | c.2051_2052del | p.Lys684ThrfsX4 |
| 2183AA>G | c.2051_2052delinsG aka c.2051_2delinsG | p.Lys684SerfsX38 |
| ➤ 2184delA | c.2052delA | p.Lys684AsnfsX38 |
| R709X | c.2125C>T | p.Arg709X |
| K710X | c.2128A>T | p.Lys710X |
| 2307insA | c.2175_2176insA | p.Glu726ArgfsX4 aka p.Glu726fs |
| L732X | c.2195T>G | p.Leu732X |
| 2347delG | c.2215delG | p.Val739TyrfsX16 aka p.Val739fs |

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| Legacy Name | cDNA Name | Protein Name |
| R764X | c.2290C>T | p.Arg764Ter |
| 2585delT | c.2453delT | p.Leu818TrpfsX3 aka p.Leu818fs |
| E822X | c.2464G>T | p.Glu822X |
| 2622+1G>A | c.2490+1G>A | Intronic |
| E831X | c.2491G>T | p.Glu831X |
| W846X | c.2537G>A | p.Trp846X |
| W846X(2670TGG>TGA) | c.2538G>A | p.Trp846X |
| R851X | c.2551C>T | p.Arg851X |
| 2711delT | c.2583delT | p.Phe861LeufsX3 aka p.Phe861fs |
| ➤ 2789+5G>A | c.2657+5G>A | Intronic |
| Q890X | c.2668C>T | p.Gln890X |
| 2869insG | c.2737_2738insG | p.Tyr913X |
| L927P | c.2780T>C | p.Leu927Pro |
| 2942insT | c.2810_2811insT | p.Val938GlyfsX37 aka p.Val938fs |
| S945L | c.2834C>T | p.Ser945Leu |
| 3007delG | c.2875delG | p.Ala959HisfsX9 aka p.Ala959fs |
| G970R | c.2908G>C | p.Gly970Arg |
| ➤ 3120+1G>A | c.2988+1G>A | Intronic |
| 3120G>A | c.2988G>A | Intronic |
| 3121-1G>A | c.2989-1G>A | Intronic |
| 3171delC | c.3039delC | p.Tyr1014ThrfsX9 aka p.Tyr1014fs |
| 3199del6 | c.3067_3072delATAGTG | p.Ile1023_Val1024del aka I1023_V1024del |
| 3272-26A>G | c.3140-26A>G | Intronic |
| L1065P | c.3194T>C | p.Leu1065Pro |
| R1066C | c.3196C>T | p.Arg1066Cys |
| R1066H | c.3197G>A | p.Arg1066His |
| L1077P | c.3230T>C | p.Leu1077Pro |
| W1089X | c.3266G>A | p.Trp1089X |
| Y1092X(C>A) | c.3276C>A | p.Tyr1092X |
| Y1092X(C>G) | c.3276C>G | p.Tyr1092X |
| M1101K | c.3302T>A | p.Met1101Lys |
| E1104X | c.3310G>T | p.Glu1104X |
| R1158X | c.3472C>T | p.Arg1158X |
| ➤ R1162X | c.3484C>T | p.Arg1162X |
| ➤ 3659delC | c.3528delC | p.Lys1177SerfsX15 aka p.Lys1177fs |
| 3667del4 | c.3536_3539del | p.Thr1179AsnfsX12 aka p.Thr1179fs |
| S1196X | c.3587C>G | p.Ser1196X |
| W1204X(3743G>A) | c.3611G>A | p.Trp1204X |
| W1204X(3744G>A) | c.3612G>A | p.Trp1204X |
| 3791delC | c.3659delC | p.Thr1220LysfsX8 aka p.Thr1220fs |

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| Legacy Name | cDNA Name | Protein Name |
| 3821delT | c.3691delT | p.Ser1231ProfsX4 aka p.Ser1231fs |
| Q1238X | c.3712C>T | p.Gln1238X |
| ➤ 3849+10kbC>T | c.3718-2477C>T | Intronic |
| G1244E | c.3731G>A | p.Gly1244Glu |
| 3876delA | c.3744delA | p.Lys1250ArgfsX9 aka p.Lys1250fs |
| S1251N | c.3752G>A | p.Ser1251Asn |
| S1255P | c.3763T>C | p.Ser1255Pro |
| S1255X | c.3764C>A | p.Ser1255X |
| 3905insT | c.3773_3774insT | p.Leu1258PhefsX7 aka p.Leu1258fs |
| ➤ W1282X | c.3846G>A | p.Trp1282X |
| 4005+1G>A | c.3873+1G>A | Intronic |
| ➤ N1303K | c.3909C>G | p.Asn1303Lys |
| Q1313X | c.3937C>T | p.Gln1313X |
| CFTRdele22,23 | c.3964-78_4242+577del | Exons 22-23del |
| G1343Afs | c.4028delG | p.Gly1343AlafsX4 aka p.Gly1343fs |
| G1349D | c.4046G>A | p.Gly1349Asp |
| 4209TGTT>AA | c.4077_4080delTGTTinsAA | p.Val1360delfsX3 aka p.Val1360fs |
| E1371X | c.4111G>T | p.Glu1371X |
| 4382delA | c.4251delA | p.Glu1418ArgfsX14 aka p.Glu1418fs |
| ➤ 23 variants recommended for carrier screening by ACMG/ACOG | | |
| *The IVS8 5T variant, c.1210-12 ⁵ , will be reported when R117H is detected and in individuals who are reported to be symptomatic | | |

Table 2. Carrier Risk for Asymptomatic Individuals Before and After a Negative CF 165 Variant Test

| Ethnicity | Variant Detection Rate | Carrier Risk Before Test | Carrier Risk After Negative Test |
|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| African Americans | 78% | 1/61 | 1/275 |
| Ashkenazi Jews | 96% | 1/24 | 1/575 |
| Asian Americans | 55% | 1/94 | 1/210 |
| Caucasians | 92% | 1/25 | 1/300 |
| Hispanic Americans | 80% | 1/58 | 1/285 |

Table 3. Percentage of Patients with CF who have None or Only One Detectable Variant on the CF 165 Variant Test

| Ethnicity | CF Patients with No Detectable Pathogenic Variants | CF Patients with Only One Detectable Pathogenic Variant |
|--------------------|--|---|
| African Americans | 5% | 34% |
| Ashkenazi Jews | 1% | 7% |
| Asian Americans | 20% | 50% |
| Caucasians | 1% | 15% |
| Hispanic Americans | 4% | 32% |