

# Endocrine Hereditary Cancer Panel

## Indications for Ordering

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Confirm suspected hereditary endocrine cancer in individual with personal or family history of endocrine cancer

## Test Description

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- Targeted capture of all coding exons and intron/exon junctions followed by massively parallel sequencing
  - Reported mutations are confirmed by Sanger sequencing
- Deletion/duplication analysis by tiled, custom-designed comparative genomic hybridization (CGH) array

## Tests to Consider

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### Primary test

[Endocrine Hereditary Cancer Panel, Sequencing and Deletion/Duplication, 13 Genes 2010193](#)

- Preferred test for individuals at high risk for hereditary endocrine cancer
- Analysis of specific genes included in this panel may be available individually at ARUP
  - For test availability and further information, see [ARUP's Genetics site](#) ([www.aruplab.com/genetics](http://www.aruplab.com/genetics))

### Related test

[Familial Mutation, Targeted Sequencing 2001961](#)

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

## Disease Overview

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### Incidence

- Endocrine cancer – 5.25/100,000
  - Most endocrine cancers are not hereditary or caused by germline mutations
    - Individuals with a pathogenic germline mutation have a 50% risk of passing the mutation on to their offspring

### Diagnostic issues

Genetic testing should be offered to individuals with

- Medullary thyroid carcinoma
- Parathyroid carcinoma
- Malignant pheochromocytoma/paraganglioma
- Pheochromocytoma/paraganglioma **AND**
  - <40 years
  - Multiple cancers **OR**
    - Family history of pheochromocytoma/paraganglioma

- Follicular thyroid cancer **AND**
  - Personal or family history of breast or endometrial cancer
- Cribriform-morular variant of papillary thyroid cancer
- Two or more
  - Pituitary adenoma
  - Gastrointestinal or pancreatic endocrine tumors
  - Gastric, thymic, or bronchial carcinoid tumors
  - Primary hyperparathyroidism
  - Adrenocortical adenoma, lipoma, angiofibroma, or collagenoma

## Genetics

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**Genes** – see table for genes tested and for gene-specific information

**Inheritance** – autosomal dominant for all genes in panel

## Test Interpretation

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### Results

- Positive – one pathogenic gene mutation detected
  - Confirms diagnosis of a hereditary endocrine cancer in symptomatic individual
  - Predicts increased risk for endocrine cancer in asymptomatic individual
- Negative – no pathogenic mutation detected
  - Reduces, but does not exclude, the risk of a hereditary form of endocrine cancer in individual
- Inconclusive – variants of unknown clinical significance may be identified

### Limitations

- Diagnostic errors can occur due to rare sequence variations
- Not determined or evaluated
  - Mutations in genes not included on the panel
  - Deep intronic and regulatory region mutations
  - Structural and numerical chromosomal abnormalities
  - Breakpoints for large deletions/duplications
  - Deletions/duplications may not be detected in
    - Exon 1 in *RET* gene
    - Exon 8 in *PTEN* gene
    - Exons 4, 6, and 7 in *STK11* gene
- Lack of a detectable gene mutation does not exclude a diagnosis of hereditary endocrine cancer
  - Not all predisposing genes are analyzed

Gene Symbol	Gene Name	NM #	OMIM #	Associated Syndromes	Associated Tumor/Cancer Risks	Penetrance	Incidence of Disorder
<i>CDKN1B</i>	Cyclin-dependent kinase inhibitor 1B	004064	600778	Multiple endocrine neoplasia, type IV (MEN4)	Parathyroid and pituitary	Unknown	Unknown
<i>MAX</i>	MYC-associated factor X	002382	154950	Hereditary paraganglioma-pheochromocytoma (PGL/PCC)	Pheochromocytoma (often bilateral)	Unknown	Rare
<i>MEN1</i>	Multiple endocrine neoplasia 1	130799	613733	Multiple endocrine neoplasia 1 (MEN1)	Parathyroid, pituitary, pancreatic islet cell, and medullary thyroid cancer (MTC); facial angiofibroma; meningioma; leiomyoma; collagenoma; ependymoma	95% by 40 yrs	1/30,000
<i>PTEN</i>	Phosphatase and tensin homologue	000314	601728	<i>PTEN</i> hamartoma tumor, Cowden (CS), Bannayan-Riley-Ruvalcaba (BRRS), Proteus (PS), and Proteus-Like (PLS)	Cerebellar, breast, endometrial, nonmedullary thyroid, and genitourinary cancer; hemangioma; lipoma; intestinal hamartomas	99% by 30 yrs for Cowden syndrome	1/200,000
<i>RET</i>	Ret proto-oncogene	020975	164761	Multiple endocrine neoplasia 2 (MEN2)	MTC; pheochromocytoma; parathyroid adenoma	100% for MTC	1/35,000 for MEN2
<i>SDHAF2</i>	Succinate dehydrogenase complex assembly factor 2	017841	613019	Hereditary paraganglioma-pheochromocytoma (PGL/PCC)	Paragangliomas; pheochromocytomas	Incomplete, but high	Rare
<i>SDHB</i>	Succinate dehydrogenase complex, subunit B, iron sulfur	003000	185470		Gastrointestinal stromal tumors; paragangliomas; pheochromocytomas	Incomplete, but high	Rare
<i>SDHC</i>	Succinate dehydrogenase complex, subunit C, integral membrane protein	003001	602413		Gastrointestinal stromal tumors; paragangliomas	Incomplete, but high	Rare
<i>SDHD</i>	Succinate dehydrogenase complex, subunit D, integral membrane protein	003002	602690		Paragangliomas; pheochromocytomas	Incomplete, but high	Rare
<i>STK11</i>	Serine threonine kinase 11	000455	602216	Peutz-Jeghers (PJS)	Colorectal, gastric, pancreatic, breast, ovarian, sex cord, and cervical cancer; hamartomatous and adenomatous GI polyps	100%	1/25,000-280,000
<i>TMEM127</i>	Transmembrane protein 127	017849	613403	Hereditary paraganglioma-pheochromocytoma (PGL/PCC)	Pheochromocytomas (often bilateral)	Incomplete, but high	Rare
<i>TP53</i>	Tumor protein p53	000546	191170	Li-Fraumeni (LFS)	Breast, brain, pancreatic, hepatocellular, nasopharyngeal, basal cell, and adrenocortical carcinomas; leukemia; sarcoma; osteosarcoma; glioma	50% by 30 yrs; 90% by 60 yrs	1/5,000-20,000
<i>VHL</i>	Von Hippel Lindau syndrome	000551	608537	Von Hippel-Lindau (VHL)	Pheochromocytomas; CNS, retinal, adrenal, lung, and liver hemangioblastomas; renal, endolymphatic sac, and pancreatic cancer	100% by 65 yrs	1/36,000