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Physician: Doctor, Example

**Patient: Patient, Example**

**DOB:** 8/8/2019  
**Gender:** Male  
**Patient Identifiers:** 01234567890ABCD, 012345  
**Visit Number (FIN):** 01234567890ABCD  
**Collection Date:** 00/00/0000 00:00

**Galactosemia (GALT), Sequencing**

ARUP test code 2006697

Galactosemia (GALT) Sequencing Specimen whole Blood

Galactosemia (GALT) Sequencing Interp

**Positive \***

TEST PERFORMED - 2006697  
TEST DESCRIPTION - Galactosemia (GALT) Sequencing  
INDICATION FOR TEST - Confirm Diagnosis

RESULT

Two apparent copies of a pathogenic variant were detected in the GALT gene.

DNA VARIANT(S)

Classification: Pathogenic  
Gene: GALT  
Nucleic Acid Change: c.563A>G; Homozygous  
Amino Acid Alteration: p.Gln188Arg

INTERPRETATION

Two apparent copies of a pathogenic variant, c.563A>G; p.Gln188Arg, were detected in the GALT gene. Although sequence analysis cannot detect copy number, p.Gln188Arg is a common pathogenic variant associated with classic galactosemia (Elsas 1998), so most likely it is present in two copies. Therefore, this result is consistent with classic galactosemia. Life-long dietary restriction of lactose and galactose is necessary.

Evidence for variant classification: The GALT c.563A>G, p.Gln188Arg variant (rs75391579) is the most common pathogenic GALT variant in Caucasians, and has been reported in multiple patients with galactosemia (Reichardt 1991, Viggiano 2015). Functional characterization of the variant protein indicates a significantly reduced enzymatic activity compared to wildtype (Reichardt 1991, Elsas 1994, Elsevier 1996, Lai 1999, Riehman 2001, Coelho 2014), and increased thermal instability (Elsevier 1996, Coelho 2014). This variant is reported as pathogenic by multiple laboratories in ClinVar (Variation ID: 3614), and is found in the general population with an overall allele frequency of 0.15% (412/282,840 alleles, including a single homozygote) in the Genome Aggregation Database. The glutamine at codon 188 is highly conserved, and computational analyses (SIFT, PolyPhen-2) predict that this variant is deleterious. Based on available information, this variant is considered pathogenic.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Metabolic and genetic consultations are strongly recommended. Family members, ideally beginning with the parents, should be offered targeted sequencing for the identified pathogenic variant (Familial Mutation, Targeted Sequencing, ARUP test code

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2001961). This individual's future reproductive partner should be offered carrier testing for galactosemia.

**COMMENTS**

Reference Sequence: GenBank Ref #NM\_000155.2  
Nucleotide numbering begins at the "A" of the ATG initiation codon.  
Likely benign and benign variants are not reported.

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This result has been reviewed and approved by [REDACTED], [REDACTED]

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Galactosemia (GALT), Sequencing**

**CHARACTERISTICS:** Vomiting, diarrhea, feeding problems, failure to thrive, hepatocellular damage, bleeding, sepsis, mental retardation, and neonatal death. If treated early, most symptoms resolve, although speech, motor problems, developmental delay and premature ovarian failure may persist.

**INCIDENCE:** Approximately 1 in 30,000.

**INHERITANCE:** Autosomal recessive.

**PENETRANCE:** 100 percent for severe mutations.

**CAUSE:** Pathogenic galactose-1-phosphate uridylyl transferase (GALT) gene mutations.

**CLINICAL SENSITIVITY:** 98 percent.

**METHODOLOGY:** Bidirectional sequencing of the entire GALT coding region, intron/exon boundaries and partial 5'UTR.

**ANALYTICAL SENSITIVITY AND SPECIFICITY:** 99 percent.

**LIMITATIONS:** Diagnostic errors can occur due to rare sequence variations. Regulatory region mutations, deep intronic mutations, and large deletions/duplications will not be detected. Mutations in genes other than GALT are not evaluated.

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VERIFIED/REPORTED DATES				
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