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Visit Number (FIN): 01234567890ABCD
Collection Date: 00/00/0000 00:00

Deletion/Duplication Analysis by MLPA

ARUP test code 3003144

Deletion/Duplication Interpretation**Positive****Deletion/Duplication Analysis by MLPA**

TEST PERFORMED - 3003144
TEST DESCRIPTION - Beta Globin (HBB) Deletion/Duplication
INDICATION FOR TESTING - Confirm Diagnosis

RESULT

One pathogenic variant was detected in the beta globin gene cluster.

DNA VARIANT

Classification: Pathogenic

Gene: HBB

Nucleic Acid Change: Deletion of exon 3; Heterozygous

Commonly Known As: 619 bp deletion

Variant Phenotype: Beta(0) Thalassemia (absence of beta chain synthesis)

INTERPRETATION

One copy of a pathogenic variant, deletion of exon 3 of the beta globin (HBB) gene, was detected by deletion/duplication analysis of the beta globin gene cluster and its locus control region. This result is consistent with beta thalassemia trait. The clinical presentation may vary due to other genetic modifiers or co-existing conditions. A more severe disorder is possible if a second HBB pathogenic variant is present on the opposite chromosome that is not detected by this assay.

Evidence for variant classification: This deletion removes sequences at the 3' end of the HBB gene, including the conserved polyadenylation signal sequence and likely coding exon 3. Although the exact breakpoints of this deletion cannot be determined, it is consistent with a common exon 3 deletion, also known as the 619 bp deletion (Hbvar ID: 979) (1,2,4). The 619 bp deletion is reported in the literature in numerous individuals with beta-thalassemia or beta-thalassemia trait and is commonly found in populations of the Indian subcontinent (1,3,5). Based on available information, this deletion is considered to be pathogenic.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Medical management should rely on clinical findings and family history. This result should be correlated with the result of beta globin gene sequencing, which was requested previously and reported under separate cover (ARUP accession 22-124-117542). Family members should be offered testing for the identified pathogenic variant (Deletion/Duplication Analysis by MLPA, ARUP test code 3003144). This individual's future reproductive partner should be offered carrier testing for hemoglobinopathies. Genetic consultation is recommended.

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COMMENTS

Reference Sequences: GenBank # NG_000007.3 (Beta globin gene cluster)

REFERENCES

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Deletion/Duplication Gene

BG DD

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Beta Globin (HBB)
Deletion/Duplication

CHARACTERISTICS: Beta thalassemia is caused by decreased or absent synthesis of the hemoglobin beta-chain resulting in variable clinical presentations ranging from mild anemia to transfusion dependence. Hereditary persistence of fetal hemoglobin (HPFH) is a clinically benign condition caused by variants within the beta globin gene cluster that alter normal hemoglobin switching and result in persistent fetal hemoglobin (Hb F) production.

INCIDENCE: Varies by ethnicity.

INHERITANCE: Usually autosomal recessive, infrequently autosomal dominant.

CAUSE: Pathogenic variants within the HBB gene or variants involving the beta globin gene cluster and its regulatory elements.

CLINICAL SENSITIVITY: Varies by ethnicity.

METHODOLOGY: Multiplex ligation-dependent probe amplification (MLPA) of the beta globin gene cluster (HBB, HBD, HBG1, HBG2, HBE1) and its locus control region.

ANALYTICAL SENSITIVITY AND SPECIFICITY: 99 percent.

LIMITATIONS: Diagnostic errors can occur due to rare sequence variations. HBB single base pair substitutions, small deletions/duplications, deep intronic and promoter variants will not be detected. Breakpoints of large deletions/duplications will not be determined; therefore, the precise clinical phenotype associated with a particular deletion (e.g., HPFH vs. delta-beta thalassemia) may not be known. Intragenic deletions in the beta globin cluster genes, other than HBB, may not be detected. This assay does not assess for sequence variants within the coding or regulatory regions of HBB, HBD, HBG1, HBG2 or HBE1. Apparent copy number changes detected solely in the HBG1-HBG2 region will not be reported as they can result from benign sequence variants or gene conversion events.

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This test was developed and its performance characteristics determined by ARUP Laboratories. It has not been cleared or approved by the US Food and Drug Administration. This test was performed in a CLIA certified laboratory and is intended for clinical purposes.

Counseling and informed consent are recommended for genetic testing. Consent forms are available online.

VERIFIED/REPORTED DATES				
Procedure	Accession	Collected	Received	Verified/Reported
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