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**Lab Dept:**                   **Anatomic Pathology**

**Test Name:**               **NF1 SEQUENCING & DELETION/DUPLICATION**

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***General Information***

**Lab Order Codes:**       NF11R

**Synonyms:**               Neurofibromatosis Type 1; NF1 Comprehensive; NF11

**CPT Codes:**             81408 – Molecular Pathology, Level 9  
81479 – Molecular Pathology Unlisted

**Test Includes:**         NF1 Only by NGS involves sequencing as well as deletion/duplication analysis of the entire coding NF1 region plus the alternatively splices exons 9br, 23a and 48a (60 exons total). The test uses a customized and optimized set of Agilent Haloplex captures probes, followed by sequencing of overlapping amplicons within the regions of interest using Illumina sequencing chemistry. Each coding exon plus approximately 50 bp of flanking intronic sequence are simultaneously sequenced. 5' and 3' sequences are not included.

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***Logistics***

**Test Indications:**     Neurofibromatosis type 1 is a completely penetrant, autosomal dominant disorder with a frequency of 1/3500 births in all ethnic populations. NF1 is a progressive disorder, characterized by multiple cafe'-au-lait spots, neurofibromas, and Lisch nodules, although additional features may develop. NF1 is notorious for its variable expression. About 50% of cases are due to new dominant mutations, where neither parent has signs of the disorder. An affected individual has a 50% risk of transmitting NF1 to each offspring, although the degree of severity can differ from person to person, even within the same family.

Patients with classic NF1 including the presence of cutaneous neurofibromatosis or Lisch nodules, as no genetic heterogeneity demonstrated so far associated with this phenotype.

**Lab Testing Sections:**   Anatomic Pathology - Sendouts

**Referred to:**            University of Alabama Medical Genomics Laboratory (UAL code: NF1-NG)

**Phone Numbers:**        MIN Lab: 612-813-6280

STP Lab: 651-220-6550

**Test Availability:**       Daily, 24 hours

**Turnaround Time:**       30 working days

**Special Instructions:** A [completed requisition form](#) and informed consent with a phenotypic checklist must accompany each sample. For questions regarding the forms, please call (205) 934-5562.

Samples collected on Friday before 1400 can be shipped for Saturday delivery with special arrangements. Friday after 1400, Saturday/Sunday and collections, will be held in the lab and shipped on Monday or next business day.

**NOTE:** Detailed and accurate completion of the requisition is necessary for reporting purposes. The Medical Genomics Laboratory issues its clinical reports based on the demographic data provided by the referring institution on the lab requisition form. It is the responsibility of the referring institution to provide accurate information. If an amended report is necessary due to inaccurate or illegible documentation, additional reports will be drafted with charge.

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### ***Specimen***

**Specimen Type:** Whole blood

**Container:** Lavender top (EDTA) tube

**Draw Volume:** 6 mL (Minimum: 3 mL) whole blood **must be** in EDTA (Lavender) tubes.

**Processed Volume:** Same as Draw Volume

**Collection:** Routine venipuncture

**Special Processing:** Lab Staff:

1. **Do Not** centrifuge. Send whole blood at room temperature.
2. **DO NOT SHIP ON ICE.**
3. Include completed forms and requisition.
4. Be sure the shipping air bill is marked "Priority", Domestic.
5. Specimens must be packaged to prevent breakage and absorbent material must be included in the package to absorb liquids in the event that breakage occurs. Also, the package must be shipped in double watertight containers

#### **Shipping:**

**Monday- Thursday**, ship specimen as priority with proper forms, at ambient temperature via overnight courier.

**Friday before 1400** specimens can be shipped at ambient temperatures for Saturday delivery. Call the University of Alabama Genomics lab (205-934-5562) for special instructions.

**Friday after 1400, Saturday or Sunday and holidays** specimens should be held in the lab at ambient temperatures and shipped ambient on Monday or the next business day (Monday-Thursday).

**Note:** Blood collections are stable for 1 week after collection.

**Patient Preparation:** None

**Sample Rejection:** Requests for Molecular Genetic testing for NF1 will not be accepted for the following reasons: No label (patients full name and date of collection) on the specimens; No referring physician's or genetic counselor's names and addresses; No billing information; No Phenotypic checklist form; Mislabeled or unlabeled specimens; Incorrect specimen type; Specimen frozen; Mislabeled specimens

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### ***Interpretive***

**Reference Range:** No mutations found

**Critical Values:** N/A

**Limitations:** N/A

**Methodology:** NGS Sequencing and Deletion/Duplication

**References:** [University of Alabama Medical Genomics Laboratory](#) December 2023

**Updates:**  
1/11/17: Reflex to FISH no longer automatically done. CPT update.  
4/6/18: Volume and processing update.  
12/18/2023: Updated turnaround time