



# Test Catalog

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# CALR Mutation Analysis

## Alternative Name

CALR, calreticulin

## Methodology

Molecular

## Test Description

Fragment analysis of exon 9 of the CALR (calreticulin) gene for enhanced detection of low levels of insertion/deletion mutations. Automatic reflex to bi-directional sequencing will be performed for positive samples that are not Type 1 and Type 2 mutations and results will be reported out in an addendum. Testing is approved for specimens from the state of New York.

[Read more about the CALR Mutation Analysis.](#)

## Clinical Significance

CALR mutation analysis aids diagnostic confirmation of Philadelphia-chromosome negative and JAK2/MPL-mutation negative MPN. CALR mutations are mutually exclusive with JAK2 and MPL mutations, and are detected in peripheral blood in the majority (~70-85%) of essential thrombocythemia (ET) and primary myelofibrosis (PMF) cases that are JAK2- and MPL-mutation negative. CALR mutations are not reported in polycythemia vera (PV) and can distinguish ET and PMF from PV. Presence of CALR mutations is also associated with a better clinical course than JAK2 mutations.

## Specimen Requirements

- **Peripheral blood:** 5 mL in EDTA tube.
- **Bone marrow:** 2 mL in EDTA tube.

Note: Test in DNA-based, suitable for Freeze & Hold option.

## Storage & Transportation

Use cold pack for transport, making sure cold pack is not in direct contact with specimen. Ship same day as drawn whenever possible; specimens <72 hours old preferred.

## CPT Code(s)\*

81219

## New York Approved

Yes

## Level of Service

Global

## Turnaround Time

10 days

## Medical Necessity Resource

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