

Test Catalog

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BRAF Mutation Analysis by PCR

Alternative Name

BRAF V600

Methodology

Molecular

Test Description

BRAF Mutation Analysis Assay is based on PCR amplification and detection of target DNA using complementary primer pairs and oligonucleotide probes labeled with fluorsescent dyes. This assay is designed to detect V600 mutations E, K, D, R, and G. For solid tumors, tumor enrichment is performed before extraction. Expanded coverage for BRAF exons 11 & 15 is available in the RAS/RAF Panel. Testing is available separately or in combination with HRAS, KRAS, and NRAS in the RAS/RAF Panel.

Clinical Significance

BRAF mutations are frequently found in human cancers. They are found most frequently in melanoma (50-70%), papillary thyroid cancer (36-40%) and almost all hairy cell leukemia. BRAF mutations are also found with low frequency in colorectal cancer (5-12%), non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC), acute myeloid leukemia (AML), glioma, sarcoma, breast cancer, hepatoma, and ovarian cancer. The presence of BRAF V600E mutation in colon cancer with microsatellite instability (MSI) provides strong support for sporadic (non-Lynch) colon cancer.

Specimen Requirements

- FFPE solid tumor tissue: Paraffin block is preferred. Alternatively, send 1 H&E slide plus 5-10 unstained slides cut at 5 or more microns. Please use positively-charged slides and 10% NBF fixative. Do not use zinc fixatives.
- Peripheral blood: 5 mL in EDTA tube.
- Bone marrow: 2 mL in EDTA tube.

Note: Test is DNA-based. Please select Extract & Hold - DNA if specimen hold service is desired.

Storage & Transportation

Use cold pack for transport, making sure cold pack is not in direct contact with specimen. All slides can be packed at room temperature.

CPT Code(s)*

81210

New York Approved Yes

Level of Service Global

Turnaround Time

7 days

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