

MatBA®-FL Array-CGH Assay

Overview

Follicular lymphoma (FL) is considered to be the malignant counterpart of normal germinal center B-cells, characterized by typical morphology and the presence of the chromosomal translocation t(14;18)(q32;q21). In spite of its indolent clinical course and a median survival time reaching over 10 years, accurate prognostication for treatment options is highly desirable in FL, as patients display clinical heterogeneity in the course of their disease.

While low stage FL patients are often put under watch-and-wait surveillance, a significant portion of follicular lymphoma cases are not discovered until they are at advanced stages. These cases often require treatment, most often immunochemotherapy. Over time, up to 45% of FL undergoes transformation into an aggressive form of lymphoma, usually diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (DLBCL) which is associated with poorer outcomes. Thus, biomarkers of transformation and overall patient outcome are highly desirable to assist in patient management.

MatBA®-FL Array-CGH detects the gain of 2p, 3q, 8q (*MYC*), 7p, 12q and chromosome 18 and loss of 1p, 6q (*TNFAIP3*), 9p (*CDKN2A*), and 17p (*TP53*), as well as others, and can assist in the prognosis of FL. The results of the assay should be interpreted in the context of available clinical, pathologic, and laboratory information.

Clinical Indications

MatBA®-FL assists in the prognosis of FL.

Methodology and Interpretation

DNA is extracted and fluorescently labeled by enzymatic procedures. Genomic gains and losses in the labeled DNA are detected by hybridization to a custom oligonucleotide array in the presence of labeled normal DNA. Quantitative PCR is used to confirm the detected genomic gains and losses. Results are reported as positive or negative for the gain or loss of each respective alteration.



Assay Specifications

Sensitivity

Limit is 50-60 cells in 100 cells.

Reporting

Results are reported as positive or negative for the gain or loss of each respective alteration. Identification of genomic gain/loss should not be used alone for the prognosis of FL and a negative finding cannot exclude the possibility of a diagnosis of FL.

TAT: 10-14 days

CPT Code: 81479

Specimen Requirements

- FFPE block: containing $\geq 60\%$ tumor. Minimum size: 2 mm x 2 mm tumor area, shipped at room temperature.
- Fresh-Frozen tissue: 0.2 cm³ minimum (in OCT is acceptable) containing $\geq 50\%$ tumor. Stored at -80°C / -20°C , shipped on dry ice.
- FFPE block or fresh-frozen specimen from incisional or excisional biopsy.

CGI Laboratory Licensure

CAP (Laboratory #: 7191582, AU-ID: 1434060), CLIA (Certificate #: 31D1038733), New Jersey (CLIS ID #: 0002299), New York State (PFI: 8192), Pennsylvania (031978), Florida (800018142), Maryland (1395).

Patient Name:
 Sex: Male Female
 Date of Birth:
 Specimen:
 Collected:
 Received:
 Reported:
 Clinical Hx:

Accession Number:
 CGI ID No:
 Ordering Physician:
 Client:
 Client Account No:
 Client ID No:
 Client Address:
 Telephone:

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Results:

Genomic Aberration	Result	Genomic Aberration	Result
Loss of 1p (1p36.33-p36.22)	NEGATIVE	Loss of 9p21 (9p21.3; <i>CDKN2A</i>)	NEGATIVE
Gain of 2p (2p16.1-p15; <i>REL</i>)	NEGATIVE	Gain of 11q (11q12-q25)	NEGATIVE
Gain of 3q (3q21.2-q27.3)	NEGATIVE	Gain of 12q (12q12-q15)	POSITIVE
Loss of 6q (6q12-q16.3)	NEGATIVE	Loss of 15q (15q21.1)	NEGATIVE
Loss 6q (6q23.3-q24.1; <i>TNFAIP3</i>)	NEGATIVE	Loss of 17p (17p13.2-p13.1; <i>TP53</i>)	NEGATIVE
Gain of 7p (7p22.3-p21.2)	POSITIVE	Gain of 17q (17q22-q25.1)	NEGATIVE
Gain of 8q (8q24.13-q24.21; <i>MYC</i>)	NEGATIVE	Gain of chr18	POSITIVE

Interpretation: *Positive for gain of 7p22.3-p21.2, 12q12-q15 and chr18.*

Description: Follicular lymphoma (FL) is generally considered an indolent mature B-cell neoplasm though about 40% will undergo transformation associated with poorer outcome. FL is mostly characterized by the presence of the t(14;18)(q32;q21) translocation, but other cytogenomic studies have identified recurrent genomic gains and losses with prognostic significance. Gains in chromosome 2p (*REL*), 3q, 7p, 8q24 (*MYC*), 11q, 12q, 17q and chr18 have been shown to associate with an adverse outcome and/or transformation, as have deletions of 1p36, 6q21-q24.3 (*TNFAIP3/A20*), 6q12-q16.3, 9p21 (*CDKN2A*) and 17p (*TP53*) [1-6]. Deletion of the 15q arm in FL has been shown to be a marker for transformation [1, 3-6].

This assay utilizes microarray-based comparative genomic hybridization (array-CGH) to simultaneously detect the gain and loss of multiple loci in specimen DNA. The sensitivity of the assay is 50-60% for formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded and fresh frozen specimens. Aberrations may not be detected in samples in which the tumor percentage is less than the assay sensitivity. The test results should be interpreted in the context of other clinical and laboratory findings.

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