The Center for
PERSONALIZED
DIAGNOSTICS

Precision Diagnostics for Personalized Medicine
The Center for Personalized Diagnostics (CPD) is a joint initiative between Penn Medicine’s Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine and the Abramson Cancer Center. The Center integrates molecular genetics, pathology informatics and genomic pathology to develop personalized diagnostic profiles for individuals with cancer. The CPD offers the highest volume of genome testing in the region.

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*Accepted Specimens:* Blood; bone marrow; formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissue; fresh tissue in PreservCyt
*Minimum Requirements:* 10% tumor nuclei for tissue, 100ng of DNA (non-FFPE), 200ng DNA (FFPE)
*Covered*: Genes listed for the entire coding sequence +/-~8bp flanking intronic sequence; 2 hotspots in the TERT promoter
*Detects:* Single nucleotide variants (SNVs); small indels; copy number gains in ABL1, PDGFRA, and MYC
*Limitations:* Lower limit of reportability 4% variant allele fraction (VAF) [1% for FLT3 ITDs only]. No deep intronic splice variants; no promoter variants outside of TERT; no structural rearrangements; no methylation; no copy number loss

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*Accepted Specimens:* Formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissue; fresh tissue in PreservCyt
*Minimum Requirements:* 10% neoplastic tissue
*Covered*: Selected exon-intron boundaries
*Detects:* Aberrant transcripts involving the included exons; can detect novel fusion partners at known break-points
*Limitations:* Only detects fusions which include at least one of the targets at the included exons; no SNVs; no copy number changes; no small indels; no methylation
Using customized computational methods, including large-scale, massively parallel DNA sequencing and chromosomal analysis, the CPD identifies personal mutation signatures for distinct tumor subtypes.

Penn’s Center for Personalized Diagnostics is a CAP/CLIA certified laboratory and offers the following precise cancer gene-sequencing panels:

- **PennSeq™ Hematologic Malignancies Panel**, containing 116 genes known to be mutated in hematologic and lymphoid malignancies
- **PennSeq™ Solid Tumor Panel**, containing 183 genes known to be mutated in a wide range of tumor types
- **Penn Precision Panel**, containing hotspot coverage in 59 genes
- **Fusion Transcript Panel**, containing 55 genes

### Penn Precision Panel

- **Accepted Specimens:** Formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissue; fresh tissue in PreservCyt; blood; bone marrow
- **Minimum Requirements:** 10% neoplastic tissue
- **Covers:** Hotspots and the entire coding sequence of TP53
- **Detects:** Single nucleotide variants (SNVs); small indels
- **Limitations:** Lower limit of reportability 4% variant allele fraction (VAF); indels unreliable >20bp; no deep intronic splice variants; no structural rearrangements; no copy number variants; no methylation

### PennSeq™ Solid Tumor Panel

- **Accepted Specimens:** Formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissue; fresh tissue in PreservCyt; blood; bone marrow
- **Minimum Requirements:** 10% tumor nuclei for tissue; 100ng DNA (non-FFPE), 200ng DNA (FFPE)
- **Covers:** Genes listed for the entire coding sequence +/-~8bp flanking intronic sequence; two hotspots in the TERT promoter
- **Detects:** Single nucleotide variants (SNVs); Small indels; Targeted copy number gains
- **Limitations:** Lower limit of reportability 4% variant allele fraction (VAF) [1% for FLT3 ITDs only]; No deep intronic splice variants; no promoter variants outside of TERT; no structural rearrangements; no methylation; no copy number loss
REPORTS
Reports include all variants found in the tested specimen that are not supported by the literature as germline population variants. These variants are classified into one of two categories: 1) disease-associated variants or 2) variants of uncertain significance (VOUS). Benign population variants are not reported.

Report categories for DNA-based tests, include abnormal, variant, normal, indeterminate, and no result based upon the types of variants detected. Report categories for the Fusion Transcript Panel include positive, negative, indeterminate, and no result. The evidence of wild-type and variant reads supporting each of the reported variants is included in the interpretation to aid in understanding the relative proportions of different variants seen in the specimen.

RESULTS
Results from these studies and clinical testing demonstrate the utility of using multi-analyte approaches to identify mutations across a wide range of tumor types. Using a targeted next-generation sequencing test looking across multiple known cancer-related genes, many different mutation types can be simultaneously detected. Across each major tumor type, disease-associated mutations impacting diagnosis, prognosis and therapy-related treatment decisions can be found.

“The CPD’s tests reveal the genetic blueprint of each patient’s tumor. This genetic data empowers clinical oncologists to take an individualized approach to cancer care, giving them the tools to refine diagnosis, provide better prognostication, adjust treatment plans according to the genetic makeup of the cancer, and identify a more appropriate selection of targeted therapies—saving lives and spending health resources more wisely.”

– DAVID B. ROTH, MD, PHD
Simon Flexner Professor and Chair of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine
Director, Penn Medicine Precision Medicine Program

DATA FROM 27,500 CLINICAL PATIENTS ANALYZED

- 21% LUNG CANCER
- 13% BRAIN CANCERS
- 11% ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA
- 8% GASTROINTESTINAL CANCERS
- 3% MELANOMA
- 44% OTHER, INCLUDING RARE, CANCERS
SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS

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Given the analytical sensitivity of the assay, specimens must contain a minimum of 10% tumor nuclei across the entire tissue. Submitted specimens must contain a copy of the corresponding pathology report.

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SPECIMEN TYPES

Bone Marrow

Requirements: 2-4 cc drawn in an EDTA (purple-top) tube.

Transport Conditions: Transport at ambient temperature (18-25°C / 64-77°F) in an insulated container. Specimens should arrive in the laboratory within 48 hours of collection. Do not freeze.

Leukemic Blood

Requirements: 3-5 cc drawn in an EDTA (purple-top) tube. (White blood cell count > 10,000 cells/mL with at least 10% circulating blasts or malignant cells.)

Transport Conditions: Transport at ambient temperature (18-25°C / 64-77°F) in an insulated container. Specimens should arrive in the laboratory within 48 hours of collection. Do not freeze.

Formalin Fixed, Paraffin Embedded Tissue (FFPE Tissue)

Requirements: Less than 50% tumor nuclei in sample: 10-15 unstained 5 µM FFPE slides containing adequate amounts of tumor to be analyzed. Areas containing tumor must be marked on an adjacent H & E slide (outside cases). Greater than 50% tumor nuclei in sample: 6 to 9 rolls cut at 10 µM and placed in a 1.5 ml tube. All samples must come with a corresponding H&E slide from the top and bottom of the sample. All samples must include a copy of the surgical pathology report. Specimens fixed or processed with alternative fixatives will result in DNA that fails QC and therefore will be rejected. Specimens containing less than 10% total tumor nuclei will also be rejected.

Transport Conditions: Transport at ambient temperature (18-25°C / 64-77°F) in an insulated container by overnight courier. Do not heat or freeze. Avoid direct exposure to light.

Isolated Genomic DNA

Requirements: 20 µL at a minimum of 35 ng/µL determined by a fluorescent based assay (i.e. Qubit, picogreen). All DNA received by the laboratory not meeting our quality control standards will not be tested and an inadequate specimen report will be generated. Must be isolated in a certified CLIA laboratory.

Transport Conditions: Transport at ambient temperature (18-25°C / 64-77°F) in an insulated container by overnight courier. Specimen should arrive in the laboratory within 48 hrs of collection.

Fine Needle Aspirate Rinse Material containing Malignancy (confirmed with on-site evaluation by Penn Medicine cytopathology or final interpretation)

Requirements: Greater than 10% tumor nuclei in sample (on smears or liquid-based cytology slide or cell block slides). PreservCyt vial prepared for potential molecular testing from Cytopathology sent directly to CPD within three weeks of original collection date. (Note, FNA cell blocks if adequate can be utilized longer than 3 weeks).

Transport Conditions: Transport at ambient temperature (18-25°C/64-77°F). Do not freeze. Specimens can only be used within three weeks of original collection date.

Malignant Effusions, Liquid

Requirements: Greater than 10% tumor nuclei in sample confirmed by a Penn Medicine cytopathology evaluation (on liquid based cytology slide or cell block slides). PreservCyt vial prepared for potential molecular testing from Cytopathology sent directly to CPD within three weeks of original collection date. (Note, a malignant effusion cell block if adequate can be utilized longer than 3 weeks; follow formalin fixed, paraffin embedded tissue specimen type).

Transport Conditions: Transport at ambient temperature (18-25°C/64-77°F). Do not freeze. Specimens can only be used within three weeks of original collection date.

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