

Test Description

The MolQ Liquid Precision Panel includes 50 genes, involving hotspot regions and 3159 unique variants, applicable to a wide range of tumor types for detection of SNV (single and multiple nucleotide variation), Insertion-Deletion, Copy Number Variation (CNV), and gene Fusions. Fusion and splice variants are detected in RNA.

Patient Demographic

Name: Mr. Rajneesh Singh
Sex: Male
Date of Birth/Age: 59 years
Disease: Colon Cancer

Clinician

Clinician Name: Dr Amit Verma
Medical Facility: Dr AV Institute of Personalized Cancer Therapy and Research
Pathologist: Not Provided

Specimen

Booking ID: 012312140028
Sample Type: Blood
Tumor Content Percentage: NA
Date of Collection: 14-12-2023
Date of Booking: 14-12-2023

CLINICAL SYNOPSIS

Rajneesh Singh, is a known case colon carcinoma. He has been evaluated for pathogenic variations in the genes listed in Appendix 2.

RESULT SUMMARY

Variants detected as per NCCN Guidelines: No clinically relevant alteration detected.

Other variants detected:

CTNNB1 mutation (p.Asp32Tyr, VAF= 0.17%) and *PTEN* mutation (p.Thr131Ile, VAF= 0.07%) are present.

Disclaimer: The given variants are below the reporting threshold.

Note: The sequencing was performed on 13.84 ng of cfTNA in the given specimen. The average coverage of sequencing was 32968 in this sample.

RESULTS

No clinically relevant alteration was detected.

Gene	Variant ID	Variant	Allele Frequency	Variant Effect	ClinVar#	Exon	*Relevant Therapies		Tier ¹
							(In this cancer type)	(In other cancer type)	
<i>CTNNB1</i> (chr3:41266097)	COSM5661	c.94G>T (p.Asp32Tyr)	0.17%	missense	Pathogenic	3	None	None	IIc
<i>PTEN</i> (chr10:89692908)	COSM5104	c.392C>T (p.Thr131Ile)	0.07%	missense	Pathogenic / Likely pathogenic, Other	5	-	-	-

* Public data sources included in relevant therapies: FDAⁱ, NCCN, EMAⁱⁱ, ESMO. #Based on Clinvar version 20200329.

¹Li et al. Standards and Guidelines for the Interpretation and Reporting of Sequence Variants in Cancer: A Joint Consensus Recommendation of the Association for Molecular Pathology, American Society of Clinical Oncology, and College of American Pathologists. J Mol Diagn. 2017 Jan;19(1):4-23.

RELEVANT COLON CANCER FINDINGS

Gene	Findings	Gene	Findings
<i>BRAF</i>	None detected	<i>NTRK1</i>	None detected
<i>ERBB2</i>	None detected	<i>NTRK2</i>	None detected
<i>KRAS</i>	None detected	<i>NTRK3</i>	None detected
<i>NRAS</i>	None detected	<i>RET</i>	None detected

Prevalent cancer biomarkers without relevant evidence based on included data sources

PTEN p.Thr131Ile, c.392C>T

RELEVANT BIOMARKERS

No biomarkers associated with relevant evidence.

VARIANT OF UNKNOWN SIGNIFICANCE (VUS)

Not present.

CLINICAL CORRELATION AND VARIANT INTERPRETATION

CTNNB1 **p.Ser37Tyr** **Coverage Frequency 1741**

Gene description: The *CTNNB1* gene encodes catenin beta-1 (β -catenin), an integral component of cadherin-based adherens junctions involved in maintaining adhesion and regulating the growth of epithelial cell layers¹. *CTNNB1* binds to the APC protein in the cytoplasm and also interacts with TCF and LEF transcription factors in the nucleus to regulate WNT signaling². Steady state levels of *CTNNB1* are regulated by ubiquitin-dependent proteolysis³⁻⁵.

Alterations and prevalence: Recurrent somatic mutations leading to *CTNNB1* activation are common in cancer. The most prevalent alterations include missense mutations in exon 3 at codons S33, S37, T41, and S45 that block phosphorylation by GSK- β and inhibit *CTNNB1* degradation⁶⁻⁹. These activating mutations are observed in diverse solid tumors and have a prevalence of 20-30% in hepatocellular carcinoma, 20% of uterine carcinoma, and 15% of adrenocortical carcinoma¹⁰⁻¹⁶.

Potential relevance: Currently, no therapies have been approved for *CTNNB1* aberrations. *CTNNB1* alterations have been proposed to promote cancer progression and limit the response to EGFR tyrosine kinase inhibitors in EGFR positive lung cancer¹⁷. Mutation of *CTNNB1* is considered useful as an ancillary diagnostic biomarker for desmoid fibromatosis¹⁸.

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PTEN **p.Ala126Ser** **Coverage Frequency 4053**

Gene description: The *PTEN* gene encodes the phosphatase and tensin homolog, a tumor suppressor protein with lipid and protein phosphatase activities¹. *PTEN* antagonizes PI3K/AKT signaling by catalyzing the dephosphorylation of phosphatidylinositol (3,4,5)- trisphosphate (PIP3) to PIP2 at the cell membrane, which inhibits the activation of AKT^{2,3}. In addition, *PTEN* has been proposed to influence RAD51 loading at double strand breaks during homologous recombination repair (HRR) and regulate the G₂/M checkpoint by influencing CHEK1 localization through AKT inhibition, thereby regulating HRR efficiency⁴. Germline mutations in *PTEN* are linked to hamartoma tumor syndromes, including Cowden disease, which are defined by uncontrolled cell growth and benign or malignant tumor formation⁵. *PTEN* germline mutations are also associated with inherited cancer risk in several cancer types⁶.

Alterations and prevalence: *PTEN* is frequently altered in cancer by inactivating loss-of-function mutations and by gene deletion. *PTEN* mutations are frequently observed in 50%-60% of uterine cancer^{7,8}. Nearly half of somatic mutations in *PTEN* are stop-gain or frameshift mutations that result in truncation of the protein reading frame. Recurrent missense or stop-gain mutations at codons R130, R173, and R233 result in loss of phosphatase activity and inhibition of wild-type *PTEN*^{3,9-12}. *PTEN* gene deletion is observed in 15% of prostate cancer, 9% of squamous lung cancer, 9% of glioblastoma, and 1-5% of melanoma, sarcoma, and ovarian cancer^{7,8}.

Potential relevance: Currently, no therapies are approved for *PTEN* aberrations. However, due to the role of *PTEN* in HRR, poly(ADPribose) polymerase inhibitors (PARPi) are being explored as a potential therapeutic strategy in *PTEN* deficient tumors^{13,14}. In 2022, the FDA granted fast track designation to the small molecule inhibitor, pidnarulex¹⁵, for *BRCA1/2*, *PALB2*, or other homologous recombination deficiency (HRD) mutations in breast and ovarian cancers.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

- Genetic counselling is advised for interpretation on the consequences of the variant(s).
- If results obtained do not match the clinical findings, additional testing should be considered as per referring clinician's recommendations.



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APPENDIX 1: TEST METHODOLOGY

Method

Circulating cell-free total nucleic acid (cfTNA) were isolated from samples using the MagMAX Cell-Free Total Nucleic Acid Isolation Kit. Quantity and quality is checked by Qubit assay and Tape station, respectively. After quality check the isolated and purified sample was directly loaded on Ion Torrent Genexus Next Generation Sequencer and subjected to automated library preparation and template preparation followed by in-depth sequencing.

It utilizes unique molecular tags to enable high sensitivity detection of variants. Analysis is done using Ion Torrent Reporter Software, the data is visualized on Integrative Genomics Viewer (IGV) and analyzed. The final report is generated using OncoPrint curated knowledgebase reporter and includes clinical trials information continuously being updated for the best of the patient management as per clinical guidelines.

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APPENDIX 2: GENE LIST WITH COVERAGE

DNA Hotspots					
<i>AKT1</i>	<i>AKT2</i>	<i>AKT3</i>	<i>ALK</i>	<i>AR</i>	<i>ARAF</i>
<i>BRAF</i>	<i>CDK4</i>	<i>CDKN2A</i>	<i>CHEK2</i>	<i>CTNNB1</i>	<i>EGFR</i>
<i>ERBB2</i>	<i>ERBB3</i>	<i>ERBB4</i>	<i>ESR1</i>	<i>FGFR1</i>	<i>FGFR2</i>
<i>FGFR3</i>	<i>FGFR4</i>	<i>FLT3</i>	<i>GNA11</i>	<i>GNAQ</i>	<i>GNAS</i>
<i>HRAS</i>	<i>IDH1</i>	<i>IDH2</i>	<i>KIT</i>	<i>KRAS</i>	<i>MAPK1</i>
<i>MAPK2</i>	<i>MET</i>	<i>MTOR</i>	<i>NRAS</i>	<i>NTRK1</i>	<i>NTRK2</i>
<i>NTRK3</i>	<i>PDGFRA</i>	<i>PIK3CA</i>	<i>PTEN</i>	<i>RAF1</i>	<i>RET</i>
<i>ROS1</i>	<i>SMO</i>	<i>TP53</i>			
CNVs					
<i>ALK</i>	<i>AR</i>	<i>CD274</i>	<i>CDKN2A</i>	<i>EGFR</i>	<i>ERBB2</i>
<i>ERBB3</i>	<i>FGFR1</i>	<i>FGFR2</i>	<i>FGFR3</i>	<i>KRAS</i>	<i>MET</i>
<i>PIK3CA</i>	<i>PTEN</i>				
Inter-genetic Fusions					
<i>ALK</i>	<i>BRAF</i>	<i>ESR1</i>	<i>FGFR1</i>	<i>FGFR2</i>	<i>FGFR3</i>
<i>MET</i>	<i>NRG1</i>	<i>NTRK1</i>	<i>NTRK2</i>	<i>NTRK3</i>	<i>NUTM1</i>
<i>RET</i>	<i>ROS1</i>	<i>RSPO2</i>	<i>RSPO3</i>		
Intra-genetic Fusions					
<i>AR</i>	<i>EGFR</i>	<i>MET</i>			