

GENERAL ORDER FORM

HEALTH CARE PROVIDER INFORMATION

INSTITUTION/PRACTICE	ADDRESS (STREET NAME, NO., CITY, POSTCODE, COUNTRY)
FIRST NAME	TELEPHONE NUMBER (COUNTRY CODE & NUMBER)
LAST NAME	E-MAIL ADDRESS (FOR REPORT ACCESS)

PATIENT INFORMATION

FIRST NAME	ADDRESS (STREET NAME, NO., CITY, POSTCODE, COUNTRY)
LAST NAME	TELEPHONE NUMBER (COUNTRY CODE & NUMBER)
DATE OF BIRTH (DD/MM/YYYY)	IDENTIFICATION NO. (IF APPLICABLE)
GENETIC SEX <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE <input type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY KARYOTYPE IF KNOWN):	

Please complete the above two sections in English.

DECLARATION OF CONSENT (ACCORDING TO GERMAN GENETIC DIAGNOSTICS ACT, GenDG)

Applicable only for the determination of genetic (hereditary) characteristics

The GenDG requires provision of detailed information and a written consent for all genetic investigations as well as genetic counselling prior to both predictive (applies to healthy individuals) and prenatal testing (with restrictions: prenatal testing is not performed for late manifesting disorders, including Hereditary Cancer). The German Society of Human Genetics (GfH) and the Association of German Human Geneticists (BVDH) recommend clarifying the issues listed below during the information process. Please read the declaration of consent carefully and tick the boxes, in accordance with your consent.

By signing the form, I confirm that I:

- Have been fully informed by my physician about the significance and consequences of the genetic investigation, in compliance with GenDG.
- Have read/have been read the Information for Patients (last page of this document) and which I fully understand.
- Have been given sufficient opportunity to discuss open questions.
- Authorise _____ (legal entity name) to collect the necessary samples for investigation (blood, tissue, chorionic villus cells or amniotic fluid for prenatal diagnosis) and to send this form to MVZ Martinsried GmbH, Lochhamer Str. 29, 82152 Martinsried, Germany, in order to perform the tests requested through this form.
- Consent to the genetic test being carried out in order to clarify the disease/dysfunction/suspected diagnosis.

YES NO

- I agree that the investigation or parts of the investigation may be forwarded to collaborating medical laboratories, if necessary.
- I agree with the evaluation of additional genes in the same indication group as part of the research.
- I agree that the remaining specimens may be stored for further investigations after the examination is completed, yet not claiming storage.
- I agree that the specimens, and if applicable DNA sequence information, may be made available anonymously for quality management and scientific purposes.
- I agree that the results of the analysis may be stored for a longer period than the statutory period of 10 years, yet not claiming storage of results.
- I agree to the storage and use of my test results under the protection of anonymity in a statistical database used for scientific purposes and to help diagnose genetic diseases.
- I understand that I will remain under the protection of anonymity and I cannot be identified during the analysis of the data and that any personal information will be transformed into information of a non-personal nature.

By signing the form below I confirm that:

- I may stop the investigation at any time and ask for the results available until that time to be destroyed.
- I may withdraw any of my consents given through this form entirely or in part at any time without giving reasons.
- I will be charged for the costs incurred until the time of withdrawal of consent.
- I may choose not to be informed about the test results (right not to know).
- I know that the genetic investigation and evaluation is limited to the requested indication and no statements will be made about other diseases.
- All information I have provided is true and correct.

Communication of additional findings found during the course of the research

- YES, I wish to be informed.
- NO, I do not wish to be informed.

In addition,

YES NO I agree that a copy of the results of the analysis may be sent to the following physician(s), in accordance with my express requests and according to _____ (legal entity name) internal procedures.

 PHYSICIAN NAME

 STREET

 POSTCODE / CITY

 COUNTRY

 PLACE

 DATE

SIGNATURE OF PATIENT OR PARENT / LEGAL GUARDIAN:

SIGNATURE OF PHYSICIAN:

CLINICAL INFORMATION

Indication: _____

Diagnostic Predictive

Is there a pregnancy / partner's pregnancy?

No Yes

Gestational week _____ + _____

Family history

Are there other affected family members with similar symptoms? Yes No Unknown

If yes, relationship(s): _____

(If yes, please attach a copy of the report)

Parental consanguinity: Yes No Unknown

Previous genetic testing in the patient and/or family? Yes No Unknown

If yes, attach report / add details under clinical symptoms

Clinical symptoms

Please provide relevant clinical information to support interpretation of genetic results (e.g., key symptoms/findings, family history, previous diagnoses).

Further clinical information attached

SAMPLE MATERIAL

Collection date: _____

Time: _____

EDTA blood (2-5 mL)

DNA from _____
(≥ 250 ng; ≥ 100 ng/ μ L)

Other (specify): _____
(Prior approval is required, please contact us in advance for more information)

TEST REQUEST

Requested test/panel (please provide exact name):

(A comprehensive list of analyses offered by the laboratory is available at www.medicover-genetics.com)

Targeted testing for a known familial variant

Please include a copy of the findings or specify the exact gene, variant, and transcript:

Gene: _____

Variant: _____

Transcript: _____

Whole exome sequencing (WES)

To request whole exome sequencing, please complete the relevant order form.

For further information on specific tests and/or gene content, please visit our website: www.medicover-genetics.com.
If you have additional questions or concerns, please contact us at info.genetics@medicover.com

MOLECULAR GENETIC TESTING

INFORMATION FOR PATIENTS

A genetic test has been recommended for you, or for a person under your care, to help investigate specific health concerns. In accordance with the **German Genetic Diagnostics Act (GenDG)**, you must be informed about the test before it is performed and must provide **written consent**. The physician ordering the test is responsible for this process.

PROCEDURE OF GENETIC TESTING

Purpose of the test: The genetic analysis aims to identify alterations in your genetic material that may be responsible for your symptoms or conditions, or for diseases that are already known in your family. The results may support medical care, disease management, and family planning decisions.

Methods of testing: Various methods can be used for genetic testing, such as chromosome analysis (cytogenetic analysis) or DNA analysis (molecular genetic analysis). The best-suited method will be chosen by the laboratory based on the specific question to be answered. In some cases, a combination of methods may be used to increase the likelihood of detecting a genetic alteration.

Conducting the test: The test is typically carried out using a blood sample. The venipuncture generally poses no health risks.

The sample and results will be used only for the purpose of the requested test.

POSSIBLE RESULTS OF THE GENETIC TEST

Genetic test results are interpreted together with your clinical information, symptoms, medical and family history, and previous diagnoses. Results are confidential and are usually explained by your ordering physician, including any limitations, next steps, and possible unexpected findings. The following are possible results of the test:

1. Identification of a disease-related genetic alteration:

- If a (likely) pathogenic genetic alteration is identified that is linked to your condition, this indicates that the alteration is most likely the cause of your symptoms or condition.
- You will be provided with detailed information about the condition, including its progression and treatment options, if available.

2. No identification of a disease-related genetic alteration:

- Even if no disease-related genetic alteration is found, a genetic cause for your condition cannot be ruled out.
- This is due to the fact that not all clinical abnormalities can be genetically explained, as environmental factors may also play a role. Additionally, it is possible that the genetic cause could not be detected by the methods currently used.
- For this reason, a follow-up consultation and possibly a re-evaluation in 2-4 years is recommended if the results are unremarkable.

3. Identification of genetic alterations with unclear clinical significance:

- Sometimes, genetic alterations are identified whose clinical significance is not yet clear. These so-called variants of uncertain significance (VUS) may be either harmless or disease-related, but their effect is not yet fully understood at the time of testing.
- For this reason, a follow-up consultation and re-evaluation of the genetic analysis in 2-4 years is recommended for any identified VUS.
- You will be informed of such genetic alterations, and discussions will be held with you regarding their potential implications for your health and the health of your family.

4. Incidental and secondary findings:

- In comprehensive genetic analyses, such as exome or genome sequencing, clinically relevant genetic alterations may be identified that are unrelated to the original reason for testing. These findings are classified as incidental findings when they are discovered unintentionally while investigating the primary clinical question, or as secondary findings when they are deliberately and systematically searched for despite being unrelated to the original indication for testing.
- Example: In a test for a developmental disorder, a genetic predisposition to a heart arrhythmia may also be discovered.
- Your decision: You may specify in the consent form whether you wish to be informed of such findings. Typically, only those incidental or secondary findings are reported that are related to conditions for which medical treatment options are available, or preventive measures can be taken.

CONFIDENTIALITY AND DATA PROTECTION

Your genetic test results will be stored exclusively in a secure laboratory information system and are only accessible to authorized personnel. All data protection regulations will be adhered to according to the applicable legal requirements. The results must be stored for 10 years, after which the data will be destroyed unless you have made other arrangements.

REVOCATION OF CONSENT

You can **revoke** your consent for the genetic test at any time, either fully or partially, without providing any reasons. You can also stop the test and request the destruction of the tested material before the results are communicated. However, any costs incurred prior to your objection may be charged.

FURTHER QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions about the methods, results, or any other aspects of the genetic test, please feel free to contact your responsible physician.

For additional information, please visit our website at www.medicover-genetics.com.