

Hereditary Cancer Test



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Patient Name	: J. A Sunethra Perera	Test	: Hereditary breast and/or ovarian cancer predisposition test
Gender	: Female	Referring Center	: Aegle Omics Private Limited
Age	: 76 Years	Referred by	: Dr. Sujewa Siyambalapitiya
MRN #	: NA	Sample Collected	: 08-Aug-2024
Sample ID	: STRAN-2024-57602	Sample Received	: 04-Sep-2024
Specimen	: Blood	Report Generated	: 27-Sep-2024

Indications for Test

Diagnosed with ovarian and breast cancers.

Results

NEGATIVE*



No disease-causing or likely disease-causing variant was detected in the genes (as mentioned below) tested in this sample.

Test Details

This test analyzes 19 genes (listed in the supplementary information) associated with hereditary breast and/or ovarian cancer predisposition.

All 27 genes recommended by ACMG (American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics), present in the Hereditary Cancer Test were investigated for either key or secondary findings (the list of genes is provided in the supplementary information).

Please refer to the 'limitations of gene coverage' section for the list of genes showing low coverage (<20 reads) in this sample.

Interpretation Summary

- No germline pathogenic (disease-causing) or likely pathogenic (likely disease-causing) variant in the 19 genes associated with hereditary breast and/or ovarian cancer predisposition has been identified in this individual.
- A negative test result reduces but does not exclude the possibility that this individual's personal history of cancer has a genetic cause, as it may be due to variation in a genomic region not covered by the test or it can also be due to the inherent technical limitations of the test.

Recommendations

- Genetic counseling is recommended to discuss the implications of this test result for this individual.
- The physician can request reanalysis of the data and this is recommended on an annual basis. Data from this test is based on currently available scientific information. This data can be re-assessed for the presence of any variants that may be newly linked to established genes associated with the hereditary cancer or to newly identified disorders since the date of this report. A charge may apply for reanalysis.

**When an affected individual tests negative, then the result can be classified as an 'uninformative negative' (that is, does not provide useful information). It is possible that an individual truly does not harbor a 'disease-causing' variant in the tested genes or it could be due to inherent technical limitations of the test. Refer to low coverage table and the 'Limitations and Disclaimer' sections for more information.*



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Limitations of Gene Coverage

For each test gene, all gene target regions were adequately covered by greater than 20 reads.

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Supplementary Information

Test Description

The Hereditary Cancer Test includes genes associated with commonly inherited cancers (breast, colorectal, endocrine, gynaecological, melanoma, nervous system, pancreatic and prostate) as well as several rare cancers. The test involves preparation of a target sequence enrichment based library from the patient's genomic deoxyribonucleic acid (gDNA) using Roche's KAPA HyperPlus technology. The test covers unique genes associated with hereditary cancers and includes variation coverage for all coding exons (>97%) and essential splice sites. The generated library is subjected to next generation sequencing (NGS) on the Illumina NGS platform (NovaSeq/NextSeq). Genetic variations are identified by using the STRAND NGS software and interpreted using the StrandOmics platform.

The Hereditary Cancer Test is a Laboratory Developed Test (LDT) that was developed and its performance validated by Strand Life Sciences Pvt. Ltd.

Genes Evaluated: 19 genes

ATM, BRCA1, BRCA2, BRIP1, CDH1, CHEK2, EPCAM, MLH1, MSH2, MSH6, NBN, NF1, PALB2, PMS2, PTEN, RAD51C, RAD51D, STK11, TP53

Secondary Genes Evaluated: 17 genes

APC, BMPR1A, MAX, MEN1, MUTYH, NF2, RB1, RET, SDHAF2, SDHB, SDHC, SDHD, SMAD4, TSC1, TSC2, VHL, WT1

Methodology

Library preparation: Genomic DNA isolated from saliva, blood or any other standard tissue source is used for preparation of the 'DNA sequencing ready' library. The DNA is quantified using Qubit Fluorometer and 50 ng is taken for library preparation. "KAPA HyperPlus kit" library preparation uses enzyme-based shearing of the genomic DNA. The KAPA HyperPlus protocol allows the DNA to be "fragmented" to produce dsDNA fragments. An end repair and A-tailing step produce end-repaired dsDNA fragments. An adapter ligation step produces an adapter-ligated 3'-dA-tailed dsDNA molecule. In addition, a high-fidelity, low-bias library amplification step allows the incorporation of platform-specific tags and barcodes to prepare the DNA sequencing libraries.

Target Enrichment: The tagged and amplified sample libraries are checked for quality and quantified. Individual libraries are combined into a single tube and set up for enrichment. Two simultaneous enrichment steps are performed to optimize the pull-down of the regions of interest using biotinylated target-specific probes using a commercial kit (IDT, USA). Target libraries are amplified using limited PCR steps and loaded for sequencing on the NovaSeq/NextSeq instruments.

Sequencing Details: Sequencing is performed on Illumina NovaSeq/NextSeq instruments. For this test, the expected output is ≥ 0.3 GB per sample.

Analysis

The reads from the FASTQ files were aligned against the whole genome build hg19 using STRAND NGS v3.3.5 (<http://www.strand-ngs.com>) via the analysis pipeline 'GlcT1_Trusight_GermlineCancer_Production_v9'. The reads were aligned against the whole genome build hg19 using STRAND NGS (<http://www.strand-ngs.com>). Five base pairs from the 3' end of the reads were trimmed, as were 3' end bases with quality below 20. Reads which had length less than 25 bp after trimming were not considered for alignment. A maximum of 5 matches of alignment score at least 90% with a gap percentage of 45 were computed. Reads that failed QC (quality control), reads with average quality less than 20, reads with ambiguous characters and reads which are duplicates were all filtered out. The reads were realigned using the local realignment tool in STRAND NGS. The reads with alignment score less than 95% and partially aligned reads were all filtered out. The STRAND NGS variant caller was used to detect variants at locations in the target regions covered by a minimum of 10 reads with at least 2 variant reads. Mate missing reads were ignored while calling the variants. Variants with a decibel score of at least 50 were reported. Variants with a Strand Bias $\geq 100\%$ and with a Total Reads ≥ 50 , and InDel variants in homopolymer stretches ≥ 12 bp long with supporting reads $\leq 90\%$ were filtered out. Variants were then imported into StrandOmics. Annotation and prioritization of variants was done by automated pipelines in StrandOmics. The StrandOmics user interface was then used for identifying variants of interest and for reporting these variants. All variants reported were verified to have good raw read quality using the STRAND NGS genome browser.

CNV (Copy Number Variation) Analysis: In addition to SNVs and small Indels, copy number analysis was performed by comparing the normalized coverage of the panel regions against a profile created from multiple samples sequenced in the run. This analysis was also performed in STRAND NGS.

SV (Structural Variation) Analysis: SV analysis is also performed on the read data. The output of local realignment is fed to this step as input. Also hard clipped reads are filtered out before performing the SV detection. Additional filters are applied on output of SV detection to eliminate potential false positives.

Analytical performance: Analytical validation (Document No.: VR074) of this test done in our laboratory has shown sensitivity of 100%, specificity of 99.9% and reproducibility of 100%.



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STRAND NGS v3.3.5: STRAND NGS (<http://www.strand-ngs.com>) is an NGS analysis platform from Strand Life Sciences. It comprises algorithms for alignment, variant calling, exon deletion/duplication analysis, and structural variant calling. A built in genome browser enables inspection of read level data. Several QC steps enable inspection of read quality. STRAND NGS has been cited in at least 200 publications.

StrandOmics v6.26.3: StrandOmics is a clinical genomics interpretation and reporting platform from Strand Life Sciences. The StrandOmics Variant Annotation engine includes algorithms to identify variant impact on gene using both public content (ClinVar, HPO, links to dbSNP, 1000 Genomes, Exome Variant Server, and five in-silico predictors - FATHMM, LRT, Mutation Assessor, Mutation Taster, and SIFT) and proprietary content (curated variant records). The interpretation interface in StrandOmics allows quick filtering and evaluation of variants along with capture of justification for inclusion/exclusion. The reporting interface in StrandOmics enables included variants to be carried into template-driven reports efficiently. StrandOmics has already been used for interpretation of thousands of clinical cases.

Secondary genes evaluated: In addition to the main genes, 'pathogenic' and 'likely pathogenic' variants are investigated for secondary findings in the genes present in the Hereditary Cancer Test. However, in case of autosomal recessive disorders, carrier status is not reported for secondary findings. The list of genes present in this test are provided in the following URL: https://strandls.com/Strand_Germline_Test.pdf

Data Versions: Data Annotations are updated periodically. Data version or date of download used for annotations are as mentioned. Human Genome (hg19), NCBI RefSeq (Annotation Release 105), NCBI RefSeq genes-curated subset (Apr 2018), NCBI Gene (June 2018), ClinVar (June 2023), UniProt (June 2023), dbSNP (v156), Exome Variant Server (Jan 2017), 1000 Genomes (Jan 2017), dbSNP (v2.9.3), HPO (Aug 2023).

Limitations and Disclaimer

As with any laboratory test, there is a small chance that this result may be inaccurate due to any reason, such as an error during specimen collection and labelling (incorrect patient identification), an error in processing, data collection, or interpretation, sub-optimal sample quality or a technical error, and you agree that we shall not be liable for any claim, loss, or liability arising out of or in connection with this test, including but not limited to the accuracy of the test. Currently available data indicates that technical error rate for analysis involving DNA tests is anywhere between 1-3%. Variants that have not been confirmed by an independent analysis could represent technical artifacts. However, our validation study (Document No. VR-017v1) showed 100% concordance between the results obtained by NGS and Sanger sequencing (confirmation of the variant), when the supporting read fraction of the variant with at least 20 reads was >30%. Large insertions, deletions, duplications, inversions, repeat expansions and complex rearrangements cannot be characterized accurately by NGS as it uses short-read sequencing data. Such structural variants have a much higher false-positive and false-negative rate than seen for SNVs (single nucleotide variant). It is possible that the genomic region where a disease causing variation exists in the proband (which may impact the phenotype) was not captured using the current technologies and therefore was not detected. For an autosomal dominant condition, if the variant does not seem to be inherited from parents, it could be due to a *de novo* (new) event or due to a germline mosaicism in an unaffected parent. In case of germline mosaicism, there is a risk of the disease recurrence in the family. However, due to technical limitations of this test, germline mosaicism cannot be determined by this test. Additionally, it is possible that a particular genetic abnormality may not be recognized as the underlying cause of the genetic disorder due to incomplete scientific knowledge about the function of all genes in the human genome and the impact of variants on those genes. Not all variations detected may be listed in the report. Inclusion of mutations is dependent upon our assessment of their significance. Specific genomic regions, such as homopolymers, tandem repeat sequence, GC-rich regions, high sequence homology, etc. influence the quality of sequencing and coverage. This may result in an occasional error in sequence reads or lack of detection of a particular genetic lesion. Such specific genomic regions may not be analyzed by this LDT (laboratory developed test). Accurate interpretation of this report is dependent on detailed clinical history of the patient and other laboratory reports, and you agree that we shall not be liable for any claim, loss, or liability arising out of, or in connection with any medical advice or treatment provided by any person to you based on this test conducted or report provided by us. We cannot guarantee the accuracy of the interpretation of this report. This report does not constitute medical advice and you will not rely on the report as a substitute for medical advice. You should consult with a qualified healthcare professional for a comprehensive evaluation and interpretation of your test result.

This report is generated within a specific timeframe known as the turnaround time (TAT). However, the actual TAT may differ based on the complexity of the test and information provided along with the sample. We cannot be held liable for any delays that occur beyond the mentioned TAT.

This report is strictly not a medical diagnostic report and shall not be construed as the medical certificate or medical laboratory report or diagnostic report.

Compliance Statement

This assay was developed and its performance validated by Strand Life Sciences Pvt. Ltd. This laboratory is following the regulatory requirements and guidelines of College of American Pathologists (CAP). Genetic counselling is recommended for all patients undergoing genetic testing. We follow the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics (ACMG) guidelines regarding guidelines for test validation, variant classification and reporting [1-8].

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