



# Test Definition: TLPFD

T-Cell Lymphoma Panel, Diagnostic, FISH,  
Varies

## Overview

### Useful For

Detecting, at diagnosis, common chromosome abnormalities associated with specific T-cell lymphoma subtypes using a **laboratory-designated** probe set algorithm

This test **should not be used** to screen for residual T-cell lymphoma

### Reflex Tests

Test Id	Reporting Name	Available Separately	Always Performed
TLPBD	Probe, Each Additional (TLPFD)	No, (Bill Only)	No

### Testing Algorithm

This test includes a charge for the probe application, analysis, and professional interpretation of results for 4 probe sets (8 individual fluorescence in situ hybridization [FISH] probes). Additional charges will be incurred for all reflex or additional probe sets performed. Analysis charges will be incurred based on the number of cells analyzed per probe set. If no cells are available for analysis, no analysis charges will be incurred.

**This test is performed as panel testing only using the following analysis algorithm.**

The initial (diagnostic) T-cell lymphoma FISH panel includes testing for the following abnormalities using the FISH probes listed:

The **diagnostic** T-cell lymphoma FISH panel includes testing for the following abnormalities using the FISH probes listed:

- i(7q) or isochromosome 7q, D7Z1/D7S486 probe set
- +8 or trisomy 8, D8Z2/MYC probe set
- t(14q11.2;var) or *TRA* rearrangement, *TRA* break-apart probe set
- t(14q32.1;var) or *TCL1A* rearrangement, *TCL1A* break-apart probe set

When this test and flow cytometry testing for leukemia/lymphoma are ordered concurrently, the flow cytometry result will be utilized to determine if sufficient clonal T-cells are available for FISH testing. If the result does not identify a sufficient clonal T-cell population, this FISH test order will be canceled, and no charges will be incurred. The T-cell lymphoma subtype will be used by the laboratory to determine appropriate FISH probes, if determined and applicable.

Appropriate ancillary probes may be performed at consultant discretion to render comprehensive assessment. Any additional probes will have the results included within the final report and will be performed at an additional charge.

For more information [Bone Marrow Staging for Known or Suspected Malignant Lymphoma Algorithm](#).

### Special Instructions

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- [Bone Marrow Staging for Known or Suspected Malignant Lymphoma Algorithm](#)

**Method Name**

Fluorescence In Situ Hybridization (FISH)

**NY State Available**

Yes

**Specimen****Specimen Type**

Varies

**Ordering Guidance**

This test is intended for instances when a non-specific T-cell lymphoma fluorescence in situ hybridization (FISH) panel is needed. This test **should NOT be used** to screen for residual T-cell lymphoma.

This test should only be ordered if the specimen is known to have a sufficient clonal T-cell population. If a flow cytometry result is available and does not identify a sufficient clonal T-cell population, this test will be canceled and no charges will be incurred.

This test **should NOT be used** to screen for residual T-cell lymphoma.

If limited T-cell lymphoma FISH probes are preferred, order TLPMF / T-Cell Lymphoma, Specified FISH, Varies, and request specific probes for targeted abnormalities.

This assay detects chromosome abnormalities observed in blood or bone marrow specimens of patients with T-cell lymphoma. If a paraffin-embedded tissue specimen is submitted, the test will be canceled and TLYM / T-Cell Lymphoma, FISH, Tissue will be added and performed as the appropriate test.

For patients with T-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia/lymphoma (T-ALL/LBL), order either TALAF / T-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia/Lymphoma (ALL), FISH, Adult, Varies or TALFP / [Pediatric T-Lymphoblastic Leukemia/Lymphoma Panel, FISH, Varies](#), depending on the age of the patient. For testing paraffin-embedded tissue samples from patients with T-cell lymphoblastic Lymphoma, see TLBLF / T-Cell Lymphoblastic Leukemia/Lymphoma, FISH, Tissue.

**Shipping Instructions**

Advise Express Mail or equivalent if not on courier service.

**Necessary Information**

**1. A reason for testing must be provided.** If this information is not provided, an appropriate indication for testing may be entered by Mayo Clinic Laboratories.

**2. A flow cytometry and/or a bone marrow pathology report should be submitted with each specimen.** The laboratory will not reject testing if this information is not provided, but appropriate testing and interpretation may be compromised or delayed.

### Specimen Required

Submit only 1 of the following specimens:

#### Preferred

**Specimen Type:** Bone marrow

**Container/Tube:**

**Preferred:** Yellow top (ACD)

**Acceptable:** Green top (sodium heparin) or lavender top (EDTA)

**Specimen Volume:** 2-3 mL

**Collection Instructions:**

1. It is preferable to send the first aspirate from the bone marrow collection.
2. Invert several times to mix bone marrow.
3. Send bone marrow in original tube. **Do not aliquot.**

#### Acceptable

**Specimen Type:** Whole blood

**Container/Tube:**

**Preferred:** Yellow top (ACD)

**Acceptable:** Green top (sodium heparin) or lavender top (EDTA)

**Specimen Volume:** 6 mL

**Collection Instructions:**

1. Invert several times to mix blood.
2. Send whole blood specimen in original tube. **Do not aliquot.**

### Forms

If not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send an [Hematopathology/Cytogenetics Test Request \(T726\)](#) with the specimen.

### Specimen Minimum Volume

Bone marrow: 1 mL; Whole blood: 2 mL

### Reject Due To

Fresh tissue	Reject
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### Specimen Stability Information

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Varies	Ambient (preferred)		
	Refrigerated		

## Clinical & Interpretive

### Clinical Information

T-cell malignancies account for approximately 10% of all non-Hodgkin lymphomas. There are subtypes of T-cell malignancies with diagnostic and prognostic genetic abnormalities. Fluorescence in situ hybridization (FISH) is available for specific abnormalities in the following T-cell lymphoma subtypes (see Table).

Table. Common Chromosome Abnormalities in T-cell Lymphomas

Lymphoma type	Chromosome abnormality	FISH probe
T-cell prolymphocytic leukemia	inv(14)(q11q32)/ (14;14)(q11;q32)	5'/3' TRA 5'/3' TCL1A
Hepatosplenic T-cell lymphoma	Isochromosome 7q	D7Z1/ D7S486
	Trisomy 8	D8Z2/MYC

### Reference Values

An interpretive report will be provided.

### Interpretation

A neoplastic clone is detected when the percent of cells with an abnormality exceeds the normal reference range for any given probe set.

The absence of an abnormal clone does not rule out the presence of lymphoma or another neoplastic disorder.

Detection of an abnormal clone supports a diagnosis of T-cell lymphoma. The specific abnormality detected may help to determine a specific T-cell lymphoma subtype.

### Cautions

This test is not approved by the US Food and Drug Administration, and it is best used as an adjunct to existing clinical and pathologic information.

Bone marrow is the preferred sample type for this fluorescence in situ hybridization (FISH) test. If bone marrow is not available, a blood specimen may be used if there are neoplastic cells in the blood specimen (as verified by a hematopathologist).

If no FISH signals are observed post-hybridization, the case will be released indicating a lack of FISH results.

### Clinical Reference

1. Swerdlow SH, Campo E, Harris NL, et al, eds. WHO Classification of Tumours of Haematopoietic and Lymphoid Tissues. 4th ed. Volume 2. IARC Press; 2017
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3. Chin M, Mugishima H, Takamura M, et al. Hemophagocytic syndrome and hepatosplenic gammadelta T-cell lymphoma with isochromosome 7q and 8 trisomy. *J Pediatr Hematol Oncol*. 2004;26(6):375-378.

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## Performance

### Method Description

This test is performed using commercially available and laboratory-developed probes. Rearrangements involving *TCL1A* and *TRA* are detected using dual-color break-apart strategy probe sets. Trisomy of chromosome 8 and isochromosome 7q are detected using enumeration strategy probe sets. For each probe set, 100 interphase nuclei are scored. All results are expressed as the percent abnormal nuclei. (Unpublished Mayo method)

### PDF Report

No

### Day(s) Performed

Monday through Friday

### Report Available

7 to 10 days

### Specimen Retention Time

4 weeks

### Performing Laboratory Location

Mayo Clinic Laboratories - Rochester Main Campus

## Fees & Codes

### Fees

- Authorized users can sign in to [Test Prices](#) for detailed fee information.
- Clients without access to Test Prices can contact [Customer Service](#) 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- Prospective clients should contact their account representative. For assistance, contact [Customer Service](#).

### Test Classification

This test was developed and its performance characteristics determined by Mayo Clinic in a manner consistent with CLIA requirements. It has not been cleared or approved by the US Food and Drug Administration.

### CPT Code Information

88271 x8, 88275 x4, 88291 x1- FISH Probe, Analysis, Interpretation; 4 probe set  
88271 x2, 88275 x1 - FISH Probe, Analysis; each additional probe set (if appropriate)

### LOINC® Information

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Test ID	Test Order Name	Order LOINC® Value
TLPFD	T-lymphoma BM/BL panel, Diag, FISH	101682-3

Result ID	Test Result Name	Result LOINC® Value
622431	Result Summary	50397-9
622432	Interpretation	69965-2
622433	Result Table	93356-4
622434	Result	62356-1
GC162	Reason for Referral	42349-1
GC163	Specimen	31208-2
622435	Source	31208-2
622436	Method	85069-3
622437	Additional Information	48767-8
622438	Disclaimer	62364-5
622439	Released By	18771-6
GC161	Result Summary	50397-9