



Why should I choose Virant Diagnostics genetic testing over a different, larger lab (e.g., Labcorp, Quest Diagnostics, GeneDx)?

Virant Diagnostics is a CLIA-certified and CAP-accredited specialty reference laboratory. We are a physician-owned and operated laboratory. We create and maintain close relationships with you and your clinic to ensure that we are meeting your laboratory testing needs. Our Genetics Laboratory specializes in allergy and immune genetic disease; in particular, we focus on angioedema and mast cell disorders. Our team of physicians, geneticists, bioinformaticians, and biologists work together to perform advanced testing and produce accurate, precise results. Virant Diagnostics Genetics Laboratory is the best option for genetic testing for allergy and immune patients.

What types of genetic tests do Virant Diagnostics offer?

The Virant Diagnostics Genetics Laboratory specializes in allergy and immune genetic diseases. Our main focuses are on angioedema, including hereditary angioedema (HAE), and mast cell disorders (MCD), including systemic mastocytosis (SM) and hereditary alpha tryptasemia (HαT). We offer genetic testing for the diagnosis of these diseases. Per special request by healthcare providers and evaluation by the Genetics Laboratory, other genes can be tested.

What are your specimen handling requirements?

We accept whole blood, saliva, or buccal specimens for genetic testing; but please note that whole blood may be the only acceptable specimen for some tests. Specimens must be shipped with a cold pack to the laboratory on the day of collection for next-day delivery. Please see our HAE Genetics and MCD Specimen Requirements on our website for more detailed

How long will it take to receive a patient's genetic test results?

Turnaround times for genetic testing are different for each test and depend on sample volume. Please reach out to discuss any turnaround time requests.

How will the results be reported?

The final results are reported in a summary report that is reviewed and signed by a certified medical geneticist and licensed clinical physician specializing in allergy/immune diseases.

How can I access my patient's genetic test results?

Patient genetic test results will be available in our provider portal at <https://virant.stratusdx.net>.

What is the billing process?

Virant Diagnostics offers prior authorization services to determine if a patient's genetic test is covered by health insurance before sample processing. After health insurance approval or denial, you and/or the patient will be contacted to decide how to proceed with testing (e.g., appeal a denial, discuss deductible, cash pay, etc.). Virant Diagnostics offers convenient payment plans for patients who do not have health insurance to make our testing solutions more accessible for all patients. For our prior authorization services, you must submit the following with the patient sample:

- Patient- and physician-signed test requisition form with appropriate diagnosis codes marked
- Patient health records with appropriate diagnosis codes and other relevant laboratory test results
- Patient health insurance card (front and back)

How can I assure my patients that their results are private (e.g. protected from large databases and registries)?

See GINA (The Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008) (<http://www.ginahelp.org/>).

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