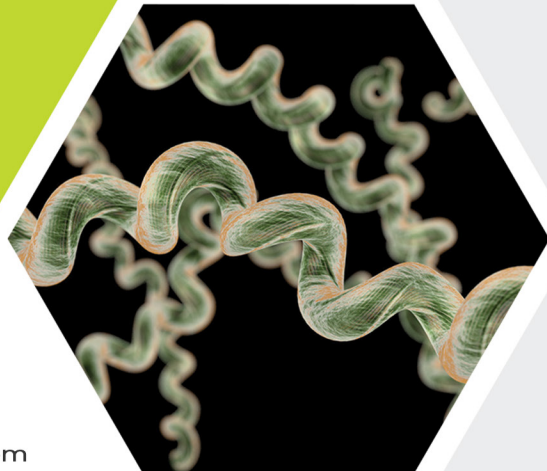




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# Best At-Home Lyme Disease Tests

Test yourself

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Lyme disease is a severe health issue that affects thousands of people each year. It is so common in some places that you can purchase at-home Lyme disease kits now to see if that tick bite from your last camping trip transferred any pathogens that may cause [Lyme disease](#).

For anyone who spends time outdoors, this is excellent news. Tick bites are so stressful, and while there are plenty of ways to prevent them, people still get Lyme disease. Knowing which at-home Lyme disease test to purchase, though, can help you stay healthy no matter what.

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# TEST PANELS OFFERED

## LYME DISEASE TEST PANEL

Our urine-based Lyme Disease Test Panel detects (presence/absence) four different genes found in *Borrelia burgdorferi*, the most common cause of Lyme disease in the United States, and ten common Lyme Disease co-infectors.

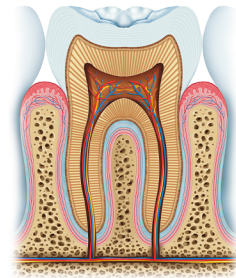
**\$650**



## ORAL TEST PANEL

The Oral Test Panel identifies the presence of 88 pathogens including bacteria, viruses, fungi and parasites in removed teeth, blood, cavitation biopsies, tissue, dental implants, bone, paper points, Super Floss, and other oral samples

**\$450**



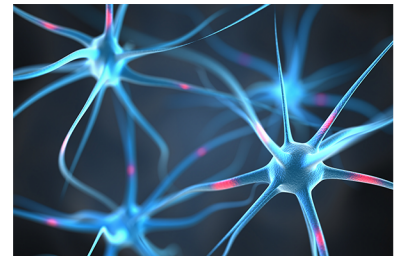
## APOE GENTOTYPING TEST PANEL

(Apolipoprotein E)

This test determines an individual's ability to detoxify mercury as well as their propensity to develop Alzheimer's and other neurological conditions based on one's inherited

ApoE genetic makeup

**\$300**



## GLUTEN SENSITIVITY TEST PANEL

The Gluten Sensitivity Test Panel detects the presence or absence of the Human Leukocyte Antigens HLA tissue typing markers for DQ2 and DQ8 to determine an individual's genetic propensity to Gluten Intolerance and/or Celiac Disease.

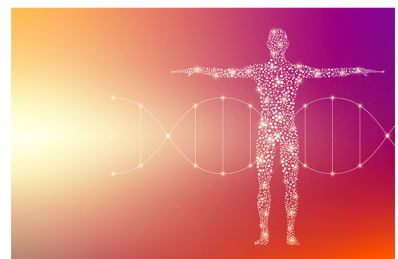
**\$300**



## PROPENSITY TEST PANEL

The Propensity Test Panel detects (presence/absence) 19 of the most common bacterial species in periodontal diseases, which have also been implicated in the progression of a variety of chronic, systemic conditions, including cancer and neurological disorders.

**\$425**



\*Prices are subject to change



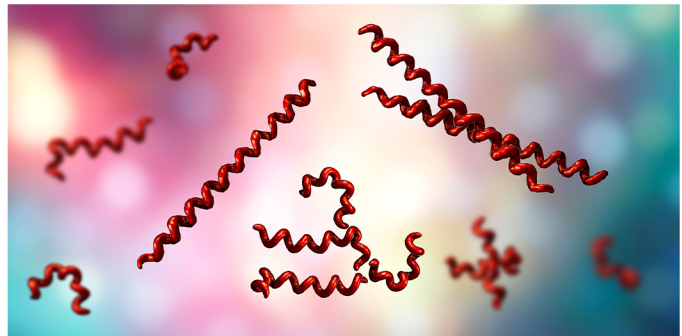
## LYME DISEASE TEST PANEL

Traditional diagnostic tests for Lyme Disease look at the patient's immune response to exposure to an organism, which is an indirect test. Utilizing a urine sample, our direct testing method, detects presence/absence of *Borrelia burgdorferi*, the causative agent of Lyme Disease, in addition to 10 common co-infectors. Because we are detecting DNA, not antibodies, if the organism is present in the sample, PCR can detect it regardless of the stage of disease.

The DNA ConneXions® Lyme Disease Test Panel detects four distinct genes of *B. burgdorferi*. The tick that most commonly carries *B. burgdorferi* is not only responsible for Lyme Disease transmission, but can also be responsible for the transmission of other pathogens, called co-infectors. Several co-infectors are transmitted by other vectors, but are known to be common concurrent infections with similar symptomology.

In addition to *B. burgdorferi*, the DNA ConneXions® Lyme Disease Test Panel also includes:

***Borrelia miyamotoi***  
***Borrelia recurrentis***  
***Babesia microti***  
***Babesia divergens***  
***Babesia duncani***  
***Bartonella bacilliformis***  
***Bartonella henselae***  
***Bartonella quintana***  
***Ehrlichia chaffeensis***  
***Anaplasma phagocytophilum***



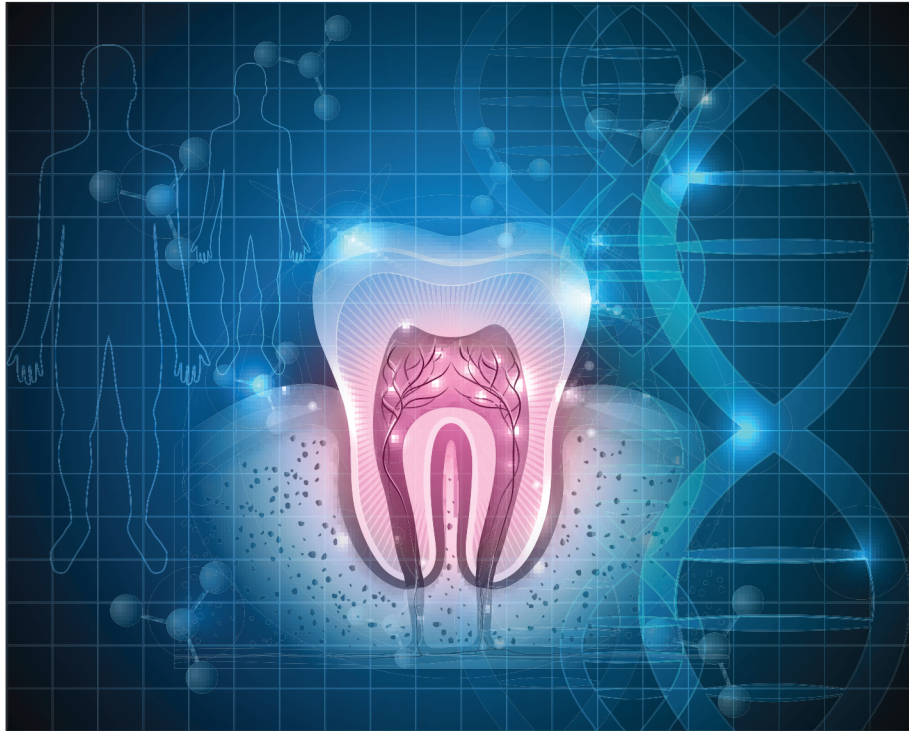
A positive PCR result from the DNA ConneXions® Lyme Disease Test Panel indicates the presence of DNA from *B. burgdorferi* and/or co-infectors.

A negative result does not necessarily indicate a patient is not infected with a vector-borne infection, rather, it indicates the absence of detectable pathogenic DNA. A patient's ability to fight the disease, stage of infection, and timing of courses of treatment protocols are only some of the factors that may affect the detectability of the pathogenic DNA.

## ORAL TEST PANEL

Organisms found in the oral cavity range from normal oral commensals to disease causing pathogens. Any pathogen that exists in the oral cavity can cause health problems or disease in other areas of the body if the organism leaves the mouth through oral trauma or other dissemination pathways.

The Oral Test Panel identifies anaerobic and aerobic bacteria, fungi, parasites and viruses in removed teeth, blood, cavitational biopsies, tissue, dental implants, bone, paper point, and Super Floss samples. This PCR based panel screens for 88 microbes in total.



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## **APOE GENOTYPING TEST PANEL (Apolipoprotein E)**

Oral cells allow us to determine a person's ApoE (Apolipoprotein E) genotype, some of which have been linked to an increased risk of the development of Alzheimer's Disease, an individual's ability to detoxify mercury, and their genetic predisposition to other neurological conditions by determination of their ApoE genotype.



Everyone has two copies of the ApoE gene and the possible genotypes are: 2/2, 2/3, 2/4, 3/3, 3/4, or 4/4. People with the ApoE genotyped 3/4, 4/4 are potentially have up to 12 times greater risk of developing Alzheimer's Disease compared with those who have the ApoE 2/2, 2/3, 3/3 genotypes.

The differences in these genetic genotypes has also been linked to the body's ability to break down and remove cholesterol, triglycerides, mercury, and other heavy metals.

The DNA ConneXions® ApoE Genotyping Test Panel utilizes a Super Floss sample to determine an individual's ApoE genotype.

## GLUTEN SENSITIVITY TEST PANEL

Oral cells allow us to determine an individual's genetic propensity to gluten intolerance and/or Celiac Disease by detecting the presence/absence of four Human Leukocyte Antigens (HLA) genes. This test panel screens for genetic markers, not antibodies, to determine if you may be reactive to gluten, even before symptoms occur.

The presence of any of these HLA markers in the sample indicates a marked sensitivity to gluten, but does not necessarily indicate you have gluten intolerance; nor is it a confirmation or diagnosis of Celiac Disease. The presence of all four HLA genetic markers is indicative of gluten intolerance and highly suggestive of Celiac Disease.



The DNA ConneXions® Gluten Sensitivity test panel utilizes Super Floss to detect the presence or absence of the HLA tissue typing markers for DQ2 and DQB. The presence of any of these genetic markers is 95% predictive for gluten intolerance/sensitivity. The presence of both markers is 95% predictive for Celiac Disease.



## PROPENSITY TEST PANEL

The DNA ConneXions® Propensity Test Panel identifies 19 bacterial species not only involved in periodontal diseases, which have also been implicated in the progression of a variety of chronic, systemic conditions.

Periodontal diseases are chronic inflammatory infections of the oral cavity which can affect the structures around the teeth, including the periodontal ligament and alveolar bone structures.

The bacterial species involved in periodontal diseases are often detected in conjunction with one another within periodontal pockets, synergistically to destroy periodontal tissue, and may ultimately spread to a systemic level and contribute to non-oral diseases throughout the body.



Research has shown that presence/absence of the 19 pathogens included on the DNA ConneXions® Propensity Test Panel can lead to their release and dissemination throughout the body. The presence of these opportunistic pathogens has been demonstrated in various chronic conditions and can be of diagnostic value in an individual's susceptibility of systemic conditions, including cancer and neurological conditions.

# LYME TEST PANEL SAMPLE REPORT

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Lyme Panel

Provider: Jane Doe, MD

Test ID: 33524

<u>Sample Collected</u>	<u>Sample Received</u>	<u>Sample Tested</u>	<u>Test Reported</u>
01/01/2020	01/03/2020	01/09/2020	01/11/2020

Sample type: Urine

Test performed by: L. Douglas

This test utilizes the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technology to detect the presence of targeted microbial DNA for the causative agent of Lyme disease and common tick-transmitted co-infections. Sensitivity of the test is 1 to 10 microbes with a specificity exceeding  $5 \times 10^{18}$ .

**The  highlighted microbes were detected in the submitted sample:**

Borrelia burgdorferi F7  
B. burgdorferi Osp A  
 B. burgdorferi Osp B-NPS  
 B. burgdorferi Osp C  
Babesia microti  
Babesia divergens  
Babesia duncani  
 Bartonella bacilliformis  
 Bartonella henselae-NPS  
Bartonella quintana  
Borrelia miyamotoi  
Borrelia recurrentis  
 Ehrlichia chaffeensis-IND  
Anaplasma phagocytophilum  
NONE

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# LYME TEST PANEL SAMPLE REPORT

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### Interpretation of Results

#### **Positive**

**A Positive result is indicated by the organism or gene being highlighted in yellow.**

When our species-specific primer sets are designed, the expected size of the amplification product (in base pairs) is known. As every patient sample, every positive control, and every negative control are run in duplicate, when a sample produces an amplification product of the expected size on either, or both, of the assay runs, it is scored as a 'positive'.

#### **Non-Predicted Size (NPS)**

**A NPS result is indicated by the organism or gene being highlighted in yellow, followed by NPS.**

When we see an aberrantly sized amplification product, we consider the following: These microbial genomes are small, on the order of a million bp, and tend to reproduce quickly. If a mutation occurs within the genome, something non-deleterious to the organism, the mutation will then be perpetuated in subsequent generations. If this mutation occurs in our target amplification region, the size of the subsequent amplification product will change (small or larger). The product size differential could possibly be due to mutation, degraded DNA, mutation of species, unspecified subspecies, etc. We have found that the NPS are more commonly detected in individuals with long-term infections. To be scored as an NPS, the product needs to be visualized on both runs of the sample. It is at the discretion of a qualified medical provider to interpret NPS results.

#### **Indeterminate (IND)**

**An Indeterminate result is indicated by the organism or gene being highlighted in yellow, followed by IND.**

An Indeterminant result indicates that an amplification product was produced for a particular organism on the panel. However, the amplification product was not the expected size and was only present on one test run of the sample. The explanation for this is the same as the NPS, however the aberrant amplification product was only present on one test run. It is at the discretion of a qualified medical provider to interpret IND results.

# APOLIPOPROTEIN E (ApoE) TEST PANEL SAMPLE REPORT

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Doctor: Jane Doe, MD

ApoE Panel

Sample Collected

01/06/2020

Sample Received

01/08/2020

Sample Tested

01/27/2020

Test Reported

01/28/2020

Test ID: 35971

Sample type: Super Floss

Test performed by: L. Douglas

Your results indicate an ApoE genotype of:

ApoE 2/3

**ApoE 2/2:** Rarest ApoE genotype with the lowest risk for Alzheimer's disease. ApoE<sub>2/2</sub> is most efficient at removing metals, including mercury from the body; but may clear dietary fat more slowly and therefore may be at greater risk for vascular disease, diabetes, and high cholesterol.

**ApoE 2/3:** A heterozygous hybrid of two alleles of the same gene. In this case, the associated risk for ApoE 2/2 and ApoE 3/3 are combined and averaged.

**ApoE 2/4:** A heterozygous hybrid of two alleles of the same gene. In this case, the associated risk for ApoE 2/2 and ApoE 4/4 are combined and averaged.

**ApoE 3/3:** Most common ApoE genotype found in the human population, suggesting "average risk" of diabetes, neurodegenerative and cardiovascular disorders, including Alzheimer's disease, high cholesterol and stroke.

**ApoE 3/4:** A heterozygous hybrid of two alleles of the same gene. In this case, the associated risk for ApoE 3/3 and ApoE 4/4 are combined and averaged.

**ApoE 4/4:** Genotype most often in individuals with neurological, cerebral, and cardiovascular disease; the least efficient at removing mercury and heavy metals like barium, aluminum, lead, cadmium, arsenic, copper, and uranium from the body.

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# APOLIPOPROTEIN E (ApoE) TEST PANEL SAMPLE REPORT

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Patient: Sample, Sally (1/27/64)

Doctor: Jane Doe, MD

ApoE Panel

### General Information

Apolipoprotein E (ApoE) is a molecule composed of protein and fats. The ApoE gene creates the precursors to cholesterol molecules, known as chylomicrons, which are the microscopic particles of emulsified fat found in our blood and lymphatic tissues. Chylomicrons are formed during the digestion of fats and are essential for the normal formation and digestion of the fatty proteins that are often referred to as "HDL" and "LDL" (high-density lipoproteins and low-density lipoproteins). ApoE helps carry and metabolize cholesterol and fat; both major components of all cells in the human body; particularly within the nervous system.

The human ApoE gene contains 299 amino acids residues which are joined together by flexible "hinges". There are three common forms of the ApoE gene: ApoE<sub>2</sub>, ApoE<sub>3</sub>, and ApoE<sub>4</sub>; each with differences at amino acid 112/299 and 158/299: (ApoE<sub>2</sub> Cysteine112, Cysteine158); (ApoE<sub>3</sub> Cysteine112, Arginine158); and (ApoE<sub>4</sub> Arginine112, Arginine158). These differences alter the gene's protein and lipid structure. The amino acid Cysteine removes toxins and heavy metals from the central nervous system (CNS) more efficiently than the amino acid Arginine does.

Every person inherits two copies of the gene; creating one of six possible ApoE genotypes. These are ApoE<sub>2/2</sub>, ApoE<sub>2/3</sub>, ApoE<sub>2/4</sub>, ApoE<sub>3/3</sub>, ApoE<sub>3/4</sub>, and ApoE<sub>4/4</sub>. Defects in these variants have been linked to the body's ability to break down and remove cholesterol, triglycerides, mercury, and other heavy metals like barium, aluminum, lead, cadmium, arsenic, copper, and uranium.

The ApoE gene has recently been studied for its role in several abnormal processes which are not directly related to fat, triglycerides, and cholesterol transport. These include amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS); multiple sclerosis (MS); and other disorders including insomnia and depression. In 1993, ApoE<sub>4</sub> was identified as a genetic risk factor for Alzheimer's disease (AD), and may be associated with the accelerated development and progression of several other neurodegenerative diseases.

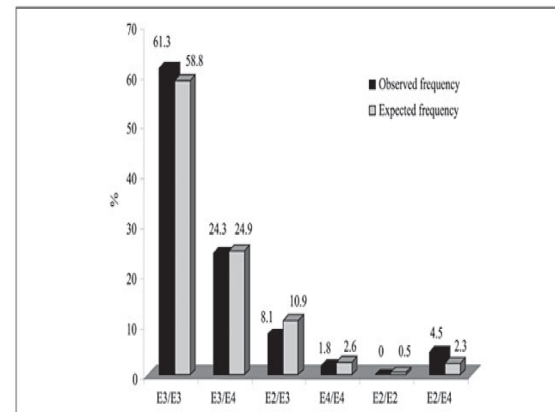


Figure 2. Distribution of observed and expected genotype frequencies of the apolipoprotein E gene polymorphism.

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# ORAL TEST PANEL SAMPLE REPORT

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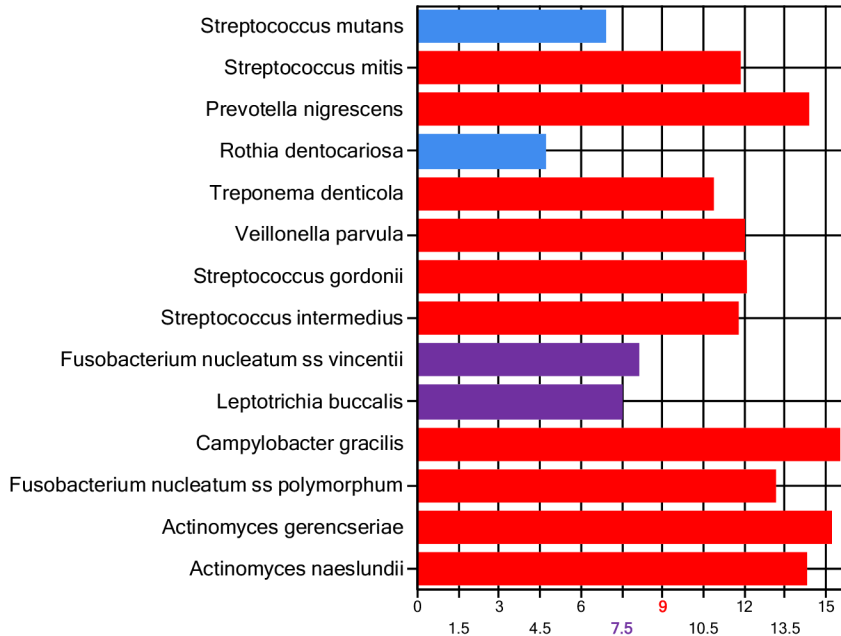
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<b>PATIENT:</b> Sally Sample	<b>DOCTOR:</b> Jane Doe, DDS	<b>Test ID:</b> 013300 <b>Oral Panel</b>
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Sample Collected	Sample Received	Sample Tested	Test Reported
01/01/2020	01/03/2020	01/09/2020	01/11/2020

**Sample Type: #16 Cavitation - Paper Points**

The following microbes were detected in the sample that was submitted for testing:



**9 or greater indicates a serious risk**

**Greater than 7.5 but less than 9 indicates a moderate risk**

**Total Risk Factor**, as reported on the chart above, is the sum of the Pathogen Risk Factor and Measured Risk Factor. Total Risk Factor equal to or greater than 9 is considered a serious risk. Total Risk Factor between 7.5 and 9 is considered of moderate risk.

**Pathogen Risk Factor** is the innate risk of the microbe based on the biology of the organism, disease causation, and microbial antibiotic resistance. It is reported on a scale of 1-10, with 10 being most serious and 1 most benign.

**Measured Risk Factor** is the value given to the sample taking into account the quantity and configuration of the pathogen DNA. It is reported on a scale of 1-10, with 10 being most serious and 1 most benign.

**Interpretation of Results:**

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Sally Sample	Jane Doe, DDS	Oral Panel
Microbe	Total Risk Factor	Clinical Significance
<b>Actinomyces naeslundii</b>	<b>14.28</b>	<p><b><u>General Description</u></b> Actinomyces species are Gram-positive and are normally present in the gingival area. Actinomyces naeslundii is one of the most common causes of infections in dental procedures.</p> <p><b><u>Symptoms of Infection</u></b> Many Actinomyces species are opportunistic pathogens of humans and other mammals, particularly in the oral cavity. In rare cases, these bacteria can cause actinomycosis, a disease characterized by the formation of abscesses in the mouth, lungs, or the gastrointestinal tract.</p> <p><b><u>Treatment</u></b> Actinomyces bacteria are generally sensitive to penicillin, which is frequently used to treat actinomycosis. In cases of penicillin allergy, doxycycline is used. Sulfonamides such as sulfamethoxazole may be used as an alternative regimen at a total daily dosage of 2-4 grams. Response to therapy is slow and may take months.</p>
<b>Actinomyces gerencseriae</b>	<b>15.20</b>	<p><b><u>General Description</u></b> Actinomyces species are Gram-positive and are normally present in the gingival area. A. gerencseriae is one of the most common causes of infections in dental procedures.</p> <p><b><u>Symptoms of Infection</u></b> Many Actinomyces species are opportunistic pathogens of humans and other mammals, particularly in the oral cavity. In rare cases, these bacteria can cause actinomycosis, a disease characterized by the formation of abscesses in the mouth, lungs, or the gastrointestinal tract.</p> <p><b><u>Treatment</u></b> Actinomyces bacteria are generally sensitive to penicillin, which is frequently used to treat actinomycosis. In cases of penicillin allergy, doxycycline is used. Sulfonamides such as sulfamethoxazole may be used as an alternative regimen at a total daily dosage of 2-4 grams. Response to therapy is slow and may take months.</p>

# GLUTEN SENSITIVITY TEST PANEL SAMPLE REPORT

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Doctor: Patient Request

Gluten Intolerance Panel

Sample Collected

Sample Received

Sample Tested

Test Reported

01/01/2020

01/03/2020

01/09/2020

01/11/2020

Sample type: Super Floss

Test ID: 36225

Test performed by: L. Douglas

Results:

HLA-DQB1*02	HLA-DQA1*0501	HLA-DQB1*0302 Exon2	HLA-DQB1*0302 Exon3
Present	Absent	Present	Present

### Test Information

This test is designed to detect four genes within buccal (cheek) cells that are collected in saliva. The genes are: HLA-DQB1\*02; HLA-DQA1\*0501; HLA-DQB1\*0302 Exon2; and HLA-DQB1\*0302 Exon3. HLA stands for a "Human Leukocyte Antigen". A leukocyte is the name for a White Blood Cell (WBC). An antigen is a substance that causes the human immune system to react. Human Leukocyte Antigen (HLA) is a substance that is located on the surface of white blood cells. This substance plays an important role in the body's immune response.

**The presence of any of the HLA genes in your sample indicates a marked sensitivity to gluten, but does not mean you have a gluten intolerance; nor is it a confirmation or diagnosis of Celiac Disease. The presence of all four HLA genetic markers is indicative of gluten intolerance and highly suggestive of Celiac Disease.**

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# GLUTEN SENSITIVITY TEST PANEL SAMPLE REPORT

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### General Information

Gluten-sensitive enteropathy is an inflammatory disease of the small intestine that is precipitated by the ingestion of gluten in genetically susceptible persons. Gluten sensitivity, including gluten intolerance, is a spectrum of disorders including Celiac Disease, in which gluten has an adverse effect on the body. Gluten is a compound protein that is found in foods processed from wheat and related grain species, including barley and rye. The National Institutes of Health (NIH) reported in 2012 that approximately 1 in 133 people in the nation have a hypersensitivity to gluten<sup>1</sup>; many of these people are completely intolerant to gluten, while others have been diagnosed with Celiac Disease.

Gluten intolerance and Celiac Disease are autoimmune disorders that cause the body's immune system to produce antibodies that target gluten once it enters the blood during the human body's digestive processes. Symptoms include bloating, flatulence, abdominal pain and discomfort, diarrhea, muscular disturbances, headaches and bone and joint pain. Exclusion of dietary gluten often results in healing of the mucosa, resolution of the malabsorptive state, and reversal of most, if not all, effects of inflammation caused by gluten ingestion.

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# PROPENSITY TEST PANEL SAMPLE REPORT

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Patient: Sample, Sally (1/27/64) Propensity Panel

Provider: Jane Doe, MD Test ID: 36934

<u>Sample Collected</u>	<u>Sample Received</u>	<u>Sample Tested</u>	<u>Test Reported</u>
02/24/2020	02/26/2020	03/03/2020	03/05/2020

Sample type: Test performed by: L. Douglas

The DNA Connexions Propensity Panel utilizes the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technology to detect the presence of targeted microbial DNA. Sensitivity of the test is 1 to 10 microbes with a specificity exceeding  $5 \times 10^{18}$ .

**The highlighted microbes were detected in the submitted sample:**

	Cardiovascular Disease Health	Metabolic Health, Diabetes, Insulin Resistance	Pregnancy Health	Cancer Development and Cancer Risk Progression	Dementia and Cognitive Health	Respiratory Tract Infections	Reproductive Pathogens	Dermal, Joint, and Musculoskeletal Health
<i>Aggregatibacter actinomycetemcomitans</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
<i>Campylobacter rectus</i>					✓			
<i>Capnocytophaga ochracea</i>					✓			
<b>Dialister pneumosintes</b>					✓	✓		
<i>Filifactor alocis</i>							✓	
<b>Fusobacterium nucleatum ss vincentii</b>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
<b>Fusobacterium nucleatum ss polymorphum</b>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
<b>Fusobacterium nucleatum ss nucleatum</b>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
<i>Porphyromonas gingivalis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<i>Prevotella intermedia</i>	✓		✓		✓			
<b>Prevotella nigrescens</b>			✓					
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	✓					✓		✓
<i>Staphylococcus warneri</i>	✓					✓		✓
<b>Streptococcus gordonii</b>	✓					✓		✓
<b>Streptococcus intermedius</b>	✓					✓		✓
<b>Streptococcus mitis</b>	✓			✓		✓		✓
<b>Streptococcus mutans</b>	✓					✓		✓
<b>Tannerella forsythia</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
<b>Treponema denticola</b>	✓	✓		✓			✓	

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The DNA ConneXions Propensity Panel identifies 19 of the most common species not only involved in periodontal diseases, but also those microbes which have been implicated in the progression of a variety of chronic, systemic conditions. The ongoing presence and chronic inflammation caused by these microbes can lead to their release and spread throughout the body. Ongoing research is identifying relationships between periodontal microbes and systemic diseases, including cardiovascular disease, gastrointestinal cancers, diabetes, cognitive disorders, respiratory issues and complications relating to pregnancy, among others.

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