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FA IDENTIFIED

GENETIC TESTING FOR **FRIEDREICH ATAXIA (FA)** at no charge to your patients

The **FA Identified** program, sponsored by Biogen and offered through PreventionGenetics, facilitates access to genetic testing at no charge to your patients. Genetic testing is the primary way to confirm a diagnosis of FA.[1]* Nearly all FA cases (96-98%) are caused by triplet repeat expansion variants in both copies of the frataxin gene, with 2-4% attributable to a repeat expansion in one allele and a point mutation in the other allele.[1,2]

The **FA Identified** program offers 2 testing options for your patients:

- **GAA triplet-repeat expansion test:** Helps confirm an FA diagnosis by indicating whether the number of repeats is above the pathogenic level[3]
- **Single-point mutation for SNV/CNV detection:** If repeat expansion analysis shows only one allele, your patient is eligible for a second single-point test for the other allele

PROGRAM FEATURES

This program is available to individuals aged 16 years and older within the United States.† Some features include:

- Multiple testing and screening options for individuals at no charge
- Easy ordering of kits and various DNA collection options for saliva, buccal, or blood‡
- Results within 3 weeks of testing on average, with expedited testing available

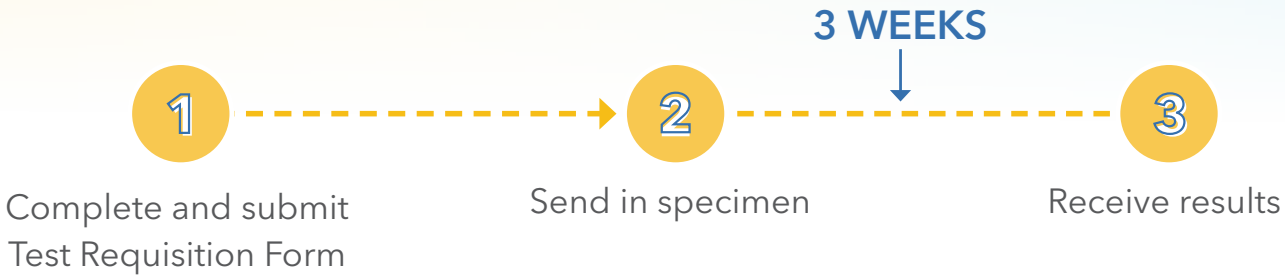
Specimens for this program are accepted from the United States† only. It is a requirement for a qualified, US-based† healthcare provider (HCP) to submit the request.

*Positive results from genetic testing may be required to initiate treatment.[1] Participation in the **FA Identified** program does not guarantee access to treatment.
†Inclusive of the United States and Puerto Rico.
‡Most reliable sample for DNA is blood.

ORDERING PROCESS

A Test Requisition Form (TRF) will be included in each specimen collection kit. Additional TRFs may be downloaded on the FA Identified website FAIdentified.com. Your Biogen representative can also provide blank Test Requisition Forms at your request.

RESULTS IN 3 EASY STEPS



GENETIC TESTING AVAILABLE

Upon request, PreventionGenetics offers genetic counseling services for HCPs to help understand test results.

Refer your patients and caregivers to a genetic counselor for additional information about the implications of their test. Genetic counselors in your area can be identified by visiting the website of the National Society of Genetic Counselors at findageneticcounselor.com.

TO LEARN MORE, VISIT FAIdentified.com

While Biogen provides financial support for this program, at no time does Biogen receive identifiable patient information. DNA studies do not constitute a definitive test for the selected condition(s) in all individuals.

For more information about FA, please visit ThinkFA.com

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