



Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ MRN: \_\_\_\_\_

**MORL – Hearing Loss Testing Requisition Form**

**Part E) Pertinent Clinical History and Findings (Required for ALL testing).**

**Pertinent Clinical History and Findings:** (check)

**Audiologic History:**  
 (Audiograms or ABRs from all affected individuals)  
 Does this person have hearing loss:  Yes  No

Congenital hearing loss:  Yes  No  
 If **NOT** congenital, date/age of onset of hearing loss: \_\_\_\_\_

**Degree of Hearing Loss:**

<b>Right Ear</b>	<b>Left Ear</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Normal Hearing	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal Hearing
<input type="checkbox"/> Mild (20-40 dB)	<input type="checkbox"/> Mild (20-40 dB)
<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate (41-55 dB)	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate (41-55 dB)
<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Severe (56-70 dB)	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Severe (56-70 dB)
<input type="checkbox"/> Severe (71-90 dB)	<input type="checkbox"/> Severe (71-90 dB)
<input type="checkbox"/> Profound (>90 dB)	<input type="checkbox"/> Profound (>90 dB)

**Type of Hearing Loss:**

Conductive  
 Sensorineural  
 Mixed  
 Auditory Neuropathy  
 Unknown

**Family History:**  
 Other persons with hearing loss (if yes, you **MUST** attach a pedigree):  
 Yes  No  
 If yes, relationship to person named on this sheet \_\_\_\_\_

**Family History Comments:**

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**Pertinent Clinical History and Findings:** (check)

**Physical Examination:**  
 (provide clinic notes pertaining to hearing loss)  
 Excluding hearing loss, physical examination entirely normal:  
 Yes  No

If no, were features of syndromic hearing loss present? Describe features or name syndrome: \_\_\_\_\_

**Vision:**  
 Does your patient wear corrective lenses?  Yes  No  
 If yes, please provide diopter of vision correction:  
 Left: \_\_\_\_\_/Right: \_\_\_\_\_

Eye findings (e.g. cataracts)?  Yes  No  
 If yes, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**Motor Milestones:**  
 Delayed sitting:  Yes  No  
 If yes, approximate age patient sat: \_\_\_\_\_

Delayed walking:  Yes  No  
 If yes, approximate age patient walked: \_\_\_\_\_

**Radiologic Studies:**  
 Has the patient had a CT scan and/or MRI of temporal bones?  
 Yes  No

If they have had imaging, were there findings?  
 Yes  No

If yes, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**Physical Exam Comments:**

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**PLEASE INCLUDE A PEDIGREE, AUDIOGRAMS, TEMPORAL BONE IMAGING STUDIES (if performed) & CLINIC NOTES REGARDING HEARING LOSS FOR ALL TESTING REQUESTS**

## Molecular Otolaryngology & Renal Research Laboratories Sample Requirements

Questions? Contact Amy Weaver at 319-335-6623 or [amy-weaver@uiowa.edu](mailto:amy-weaver@uiowa.edu)

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**DNA Testing Sample requirement** Lavender (EDTA) top tubes (*for whole blood*)

**Minimum sample volume**

3-5 cc. whole blood  
(MORL *not* responsible for broken tubes.)

**OR**

5 µg DNA, resuspended in at least 50 ul of DNA Elution Buffer

**OR**

Saliva (DNA Genotek, ORAGene Discover, OGR-500)

**OR**

Buccal Swabs, at least 4 (DNA Genotek, OraCollect, OCD-100)

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***Please note if you send less than the minimum volume/concentration of blood and/or DNA your request for testing will be rejected and a new sample will be required to perform the testing indicated on page 1 of this testing requisition form.***

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**Blood or DNA Shipping requirements:**

Overnight delivery, Room temperature (**DO NOT FREEZE**)

Delivery: Monday-Friday.

Samples may be refrigerated if delivery is delayed.

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**Information to Include:**

**Testing will not be performed unless ALL of the following information is provided, and the minimum sample requirement (found on page 3) is met.**

**Specimen information:**

Patient identifiers (**full name, date of birth, sex, and medical record number**)  
Patient address, necessary for receipt and/or reporting results  
Pertinent history and clinical findings (found on page 2)  
Date of collection & Sample type  
Ordering healthcare provider

**Billing information:**

**We will NOT bill insurance, Medicare, or patient directly.  
Institutional billing accepted. Visa and Master Card accepted.  
Personal checks NOT accepted.**

*Please include contact information including phone & fax number for billing questions.*

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**DISCLAIMER:**

*This request to order molecular diagnostic tests from the MORL certifies to the MORL that the ordering healthcare provider has obtained informed consent from the patient as required by applicable state or federal laws for each test ordered, that the ordering healthcare provider has authorization from the patient permitting the MORL to report results for each test ordered to the ordering healthcare provider, and that the ordering physician assumes responsibility for providing the patient with all associated guidance and counseling regarding the test results.*

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For more information about the tests, we offer at the MORL please visit our website at:

<https://morl.lab.uiowa.edu>

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**IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDER:**

Genetic testing detection methods are greater than 99% accurate. There is a possibility a test may not work properly, or test results do not pass test quality metrics outlined by the MORL. You may be asked to provide an additional sample if it is felt that confirmatory testing is needed. There is a rare possibility of an inaccurate results from the test. Possible reasons for inaccurate results include, but are not limited to: incorrect clinical or medical information provided with the sample or mislabeled samples.

Genetic testing may not always give a clear diagnosis. Analysis and interpretation of genetic test results represent our best knowledge and understanding of the genetics of deafness at the time of testing. Hearing loss is a complex disorder and penetrance of a phenotype (the degree of hearing loss, for example) may be variable. Research to determine genotype-phenotype correlations is ongoing.

Unexpected test results may be detected. These results may occur with screening tests that evaluate many different genetic regions. From these tests, information may be learned about you, your child/children or your family that is not directly related to the clinical reason for ordering the test (secondary results). This information may provide data about the risk for a different genetic disease with symptoms that may or may not be currently evident.

A risk associated with this testing is that genetic testing has the potential to unintentionally reveal information regarding biological relationships such as non-paternity (the stated father is not the patient's biological father). Although the goal of this testing is not to determine paternity, testing may find genetic changes in both parents that may indicate possible non-paternity. In some cases, non-paternity may be confused with genetic changes that arise spontaneously, called *de novo* variants. We will not attempt to resolve or disclose issues of non-paternity during the course of this testing.

Because of the complexity of genetic testing, MORL recommends all test result be discussed with a genetic counselor or healthcare provider. We follow guidelines proposed by the American College of Medical Genetics and do not offer carrier testing for autosomal recessive deafness in minors.

**Note: Hearing loss is a very complex disorder. This complexity means that variants in many different genes can lead to deafness. It is possible that no variants will be detected in the variant screens (the genes) you have requested.**

If your patient is interested in joining research studies ongoing in the MORL laboratories to investigate other genetic causes of deafness please ask your patient to email Dr. Richard JH Smith ( [richard-smith@uiowa.edu](mailto:richard-smith@uiowa.edu)) or Amy Weaver ( [amy-weaver@uiowa.edu](mailto:amy-weaver@uiowa.edu)).