# ExomeNext

A GUIDE TO EXOME SEQUENCING





#### What is DNA?





What is the Exome?





Why is the Exome Important?





#### What Do Genes Do?





#### What is a Mutation?





How is ExomeNext Done?





**Testing Family Members** 





# Is ExomeNext Right For You?

ExomeNext might be something to consider if your or your family member's medical concern could be due to an underlying genetic change, but:

- Your previous genetic testing did not find an answer (or diagnosis)
- There is no specific genetic testing available for the genetic condition you may have
- Your medical concerns may be caused by changes in more than one gene



## What Are the Benefits of ExomeNext?

- Quicker and more cost-effective since it studies multiple genes at once
- Can suggest changes to treatment or medical care
- Removes feelings of uncertainty related to having an undiagnosed disease
- Provides awareness about health concerns to your other family members



Things to Consider Before Testing





Supplementary Information



RESULT TYPE	OVERALL RESULT CATEGORY			RESULT MEANING
Primary Result	Characterized Genetic Etiologies	Positive	—	A mutation was found in a gene known to be associated with your medical concerns
		Likely Positive	-	A mutation was found in a gene that most likely causes your medical concerns
		Uncertain	-	A genetic change was found, but it is unclear if it is the cause of your medical concerns
		Negative	-	The underlying cause of your medical concerns has not been found among genes associated with genetic conditions
	Candidate Genetic Etiologies	Uncertain	—	A genetic change was found, but based on information we know today, it is unclear this is the cause of your medical concerns
		Negative	-	The underlying genetic cause of your medical concerns has not been found
Secondary Findings Result		Positive	-	Mutation(s) was found in a gene that is not associated with your medical concerns
		Negative	-	No mutation(s) was found among a list of genes that are not associated with your medical concerns



## Characterized Genetic Etiologies: Positive

Result	Mutation(s) was found in a gene known to be associated with your medical concerns
Medical Management	Your doctor or genetic counselor will discuss if or how this result changes your or your family's medical care
Genetic Testing for Family Members	Other family members may consider testing for the specific mutation(s)
Future Testing	Usually not recommended/necessary



# Characterized Genetic Etiologies: Likely Positive

Result	A mutation was found in a gene that most likely causes your medical concerns
Medical Management	Your doctor or genetic counselor will discuss if or how this result changes your or your family's medical care
Genetic Testing for Family Members	Other family members may consider testing for the specific mutation(s)
Future Testing	Usually not recommended/necessary



# Characterized Genetic Etiologies: Uncertain

Result	A genetic change was found, but it is unclear if it is the cause of your medical concerns
Medical Management	Your doctor or genetic counselor will discuss if or how this result changes your or your family's medical care
Genetic Testing for Family Members	In some cases, testing other family members for this specific gene change(s) may help to better understand your results
Future Testing	Studying your exome data again in the future may be helpful



## Characterized Genetic Etiologies: Negative

Result	The underlying cause of your medical concerns has not been found in genes associated with genetic conditions
Medical Management	Your doctor or genetic counselor will discuss if or how this result changes your or your family's medical care
Genetic Testing for Family Members	Testing other family members is not recommended at this time
Future Testing	Studying your exome data again in the future may be helpful



# Candidate Genetic Etiologies: Uncertain

Result	A change(s) in a gene was found, but based on the information we know today, it is not clear if this is the cause of your medical concerns
Medical Management	Your doctor or genetic counselor will discuss if or how this result changes your or your family's medical care
Genetic Testing for Family Members	In some cases, testing other family members for this specific gene change(s) may help to better understand your results
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Future Testing	Studying your exome data again in the future may be helpful



## Candidate Genetic Etiologies: Negative

Result	No relevant mutation(s) was identified among genese that could cause a genetic condition. The underlying cause of your medical concerns has not been found.
Medical Management	No relevant mutation(s) was identified among genese that could cause a genetic condition. The underlying cause of your medical concerns has not been found.
Genetic Testing for Family Members	Testing other family members is not recommended at this time
Future Testing	Studying your exome data again in the future may be helpful



