

Talking to your doctor about biomarker testing

If you don't understand biomarker testing, you are not alone. At NeoGenomics, we understand that cancer testing can be confusing and stressful. That's why we are committed to helping you navigate this important and necessary discussion with your doctor after your cancer diagnosis.

What is biomarker testing?

Biomarker testing is a detailed laboratory test that analyzes cancer cells and identifies gene mutations or other alterations within your tumor. Biomarker testing may also be called tumor profiling, genomic profiling, or molecular profiling. Your doctor can use this information to build a personalized and effective treatment plan that targets your specific tumor, which may lead to better treatment outcomes.

Starting a conversation with your doctor about biomarker testing.

Use the following talking points to discuss biomarker testing with your care team.

1. Has my cancer been tested for biomarkers?
2. How do my biomarker test results affect my treatment plan?
3. Based on my results, is there a clinical trial I may be applicable for?
4. Will I need biomarker testing more than once?
5. Will insurance cover my biomarker testing?
6. Is financial assistance available for biomarker testing?
7. Is there enough tissue to test for biomarkers?
8. Can I have a blood test instead?
9. Can I get a copy of my test report?



If you have questions, our Patient Services Team is here to help.

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