

Guide for ordering MCC testing with Cytogenetic SNP Microarray on
Amniotic Fluid or Chorionic Villi

Order

Cytogenetic SNP Microarray - Fetal (2002366)

Is MCC desired?

Yes

No

Order:

Maternal Cell Contamination, Maternal Specimen
on maternal whole blood (0050608)***

Notes:

1. **MCC analysis** is recommended and performed at no charge.
2. **MCC fetal (0051596)** is included as a standard component of this test and will be performed with or without maternal blood specimen (MCC MAT).

*** When fetal cytogenetic and fetal molecular testing are ordered concurrently, only one maternal specimen and one MCC MAT order are required.

Maternal Cell Contamination (MCC) Analysis Guide

Maternal cell contamination (MCC) is a potential risk associated with testing on prenatal, products of conception (POC), or cord blood specimens. MCC can occur if maternal blood or tissue comes into contact with a prenatal, POC, or cord blood specimen, such as during prenatal diagnostic procedures such as chorionic villus sampling or amniocentesis, during collection of POC samples, or extraction of fetal blood from the umbilical cord (cord blood). If significant MCC is present in a fetal or cord blood specimen, the maternal DNA may interfere with the interpretation of diagnostic genetic testing. Therefore, the results of genetic testing on prenatal or cord blood specimens may be compromised.

Maternal cell contamination (MCC) testing is used to determine if contamination has occurred and is ideally performed by obtaining both fetal and maternal specimens for genotyping using short tandem repeat (STR) markers. The STR patterns from the maternal and fetal specimens are compared to assess for the presence of maternal cells.

0050608 Maternal Cell Contamination, Maternal Specimen

This test is used to submit a MATERNAL whole blood specimen when maternal cell contamination (MCC) testing is desired on a fetal, POC, or cord blood specimen. This is not a standalone test and must be ordered in conjunction with one or more fetal diagnostic test.

0051596 Maternal Cell Contamination, Fetal Specimen

This test is used to rule out the presence of maternal cell contamination (MCC) within a FETAL, POC, or CORD BLOOD specimen when contamination testing is NOT included as a component of diagnostic testing performed at ARUP.

Fetal tests that include fetal STR markers as a test component are noted in ARUP Test directory under components.