

# How Molecular Profiling Works



Patient Sample Sent to Caris



Biomarker Testing Performed



Molecular Information Analyzed



Report Generated



Results Provided to Physician

Molecular profiling may only be ordered by physicians. If you would like to investigate the possibility of ordering molecular profiling from Caris Life Sciences®, please consult with your oncologist.

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# Comprehensive Molecular Profiling for Cancer Patients

You are unique and so is your cancer treatment. When making decisions, it's crucial to have as much information as possible about your sample to make the best decisions.

Caris molecular profiling provides a detailed view of your unique cancer by identifying biomarkers found in your blood or tissue sample. These biomarkers help to inform how you may respond to specific drugs or qualify for clinical trials.

A "biomarker" refers to DNA, RNA or other measurable molecules at the molecular level that predict how cancer may respond to medications, chemotherapy, or other therapies.

Caris molecular profiling combines advanced laboratory testing technologies with a thorough analysis of current clinical cancer research studies. This personalized molecular profile provides your physician with a genetic blueprint to guide your treatment plan.

**Please talk with your physician to find out if molecular profiling may be right for you.**

### What is Caris molecular profiling?

Caris molecular profiling is comprehensive genomic testing designed to help your doctor determine the best treatment plan for you. Our comprehensive molecular profiling approach assesses biomarkers found in your blood or tissue to reveal a molecular blueprint to guide more precise and individualized treatment decisions. A Caris report is generated for each patient and may help your doctor personalize treatment specific to your sample.

### How does Caris molecular profiling work?

Caris molecular profiling uses multiple profiling technologies to decode cancer and better understand the biology driving cell growth. The biomarker results, or molecular blueprint, from a sample may determine how you respond to cancer treatments or if you qualify for clinical trials.

### What does the report reveal?

The results of these tests reveal your sample's specific molecular biomarkers or targets, which provide molecular insights to help doctors personalize treatment to your unique cancer. Caris reports help doctors:

- navigate among therapies with potential benefit
- avoid certain therapies with unlikely benefit
- identify clinical trials trial opportunities

### Does the report tell my physician how to treat my cancer?

The report is a tool that provides a molecular blueprint to help your physician evaluate and guide more precise and individualized treatment decisions. You and your physician will determine your treatment plan, which will be based on many factors that may include the report, availability of cancer therapeutics, medical history and other clinical factors.

### Does the report provide information on clinical trials?

Yes, the report identifies clinical trial opportunities that are currently enrolling patients based on the unique biomarkers in your sample. Your physician will determine if any of these trials may be right for you.

### What kind of sample is needed for molecular profiling?

A tissue or blood sample is collected either during a routine blood draw, during a biopsy, or during the surgical removal of your tissue. Your physician may wish to obtain a more recent sample from you as biomarkers may change over time and with treatment.

### Where will testing be performed?

Caris molecular testing is performed in Phoenix, Arizona. Our state-of-the-art laboratories meet and exceed industry standards (CLIA, CAP, ISO 15189 and NY State approved/certified) and are staffed by a team of medical doctors, scientists and licensed technologists.



### When will my results be ready?

Once our laboratory receives your specimen and required documentation, results will be delivered directly to your physician for review in typically less than two weeks.

### Will I receive a bill from Caris, and when can I expect it?

Caris will bill your insurance company directly as an independent service provider and work directly with them to process claims. Insurance companies usually take 60-90 days to respond to claims from Caris. You may receive an Explanation of Benefits (EOB) during this time, but this is NOT a bill. According to the terms of your healthcare plan, a bill for the deductible, co-insurance, or co-payment may be sent once the insurance company has processed the claim.

### What is an Explanation of Benefits (EOB) and does it require further action on my part?

Each time Caris submits a claim or an appeal to your insurance provider, the insurer will send an EOB that details the portion of the claim the insurer intends to pay. Some insurance providers will split one claim into multiple sections, which may cause you to receive more than one EOB. Even though an EOB may state an "Amount Due," the actual invoice from Caris may be reduced, and in some cases, a payment may not be due. **If you have any questions about an EOB or an invoice from Caris, please contact Patient Services at (888) 979-8669.**

### What happens if my insurance pays me directly for the testing?

If you receive a reimbursement check directly from your insurance provider, please forward those funds directly to Caris for the molecular profiling services we performed. Caris will contact and invoice patients who receive direct reimbursement payments from their provider.

### What am I responsible for paying?

Patients are financially responsible for deductibles, co-payments, and/or co-insurance according to the patient's individual insurance plan and applicable federal and state regulations. **Contact Patient Services at (888) 979-8669 to discuss your options.**

### Is prior authorization required and what happens if coverage is denied?

Caris billing specialists will conduct all prior authorizations as required by the patient's insurance and will appeal all prior authorizations or claims that are denied. For questions, please contact **Patient Services at (888) 979-8669.**

### How do I file a secondary or supplemental insurance claim?

Caris will file all secondary or supplemental insurance claims on your behalf. If you receive a bill and believe that a secondary claim has not been filed, contact **Patient Services at (888) 979-8669** to verify the claim submission and ensure the proper paperwork has been submitted.

### What happens if I cannot afford to pay for molecular profiling?

We understand the financial burden of cancer care can be overwhelming at times. We have financial assistance programs that provide added flexibility for patients. Additionally, Caris has a Compassionate Care program to assist uninsured patients that are not able to afford any associated out-of-pocket costs (limits and conditions apply). Contact **Patient Services at (888) 979-8669** to learn more about these programs.

If you have additional questions, Patient Services is available to assist you via email [PatientServices@CarisLS.com](mailto:PatientServices@CarisLS.com) or call **(888) 979-8669**.



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