

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

Below are some questions frequently asked by participants in “The Personalized Oncology Through High-throughput Sequencing: Michigan Oncology Sequencing Center (MIONCOSEQ) Study”. This document is meant to supplement the informed consent document. Please consult the informed consent document for more information on these topics.

When will I hear back about my results? (Section 4.2 of the informed consent document)

It takes typically 6-8 weeks from the time your samples are collected until the sequencing of your samples is completed. If there are any findings related to managing cancer, your doctor will contact you. The research laboratory cannot directly discuss if you have results or disclose the results to you.

Will I get a written report of my test results from the research laboratory? (Section 4.4)

No, test reports are not routinely given to participants by the research laboratory. Your report is sent directly to your doctor.

Will I get back results for non-cancer conditions for example things like Alzheimer’s disease, heart conditions, or diabetes? (Section 4.5)

No, you will not get back results about non-cancer conditions; this research study is only looking at genes related to cancer.

Will I get back cancer related results that could be important for the health of my biological family members? (Section 4.5, page 7; Section 5.2, page 9)

If you selected to learn about cancer related findings that could affect your biological family members, they will also be sent to your doctor. Your doctor might refer you to the University of Michigan Cancer Genetics Clinic for further genetic testing and counseling. The cost of further testing will not be covered by the project (Section 4.1, page 6; Section 8.1, page 12).

Could I learn anything that could be upsetting or emotionally difficult? (Section 5.2)

While unlikely, it is possible that you might experience distress as a result of your participation. This may be because the information...

- *could be upsetting*
- *could be unexpected*
- *could be disappointing*
- *cannot be acted upon given the current treatment limitations*
- *will not be used to change your current cancer treatment plan*

What is involved in the written surveys?

You will be asked to complete 2 brief written surveys (~15 minutes each) about your views and experiences related to sequencing. In addition to the survey you received at the consent visit, a second survey will be mailed home to you around the time the gene sequencing is complete. Please return each survey within 2 weeks of receipt. For questions about the surveys please contact:

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Whom can I contact if I have any questions about my participation in the research study? (Section 10.1, page 15)

If you have questions about your sequencing results or treatment please contact your doctor. For questions about the study please contact: Lynda Hodges/Erica Rabban: (734) 763-2826