

Moleculera Labs,
a CLIA-certified (Clinical
Laboratory Improvement
Amendments) clinical
laboratory offering testing
services for autoimmune
conditions, is accredited by
the Commission on Laboratory
Accreditation (COLA) and
has been awarded the
Laboratory Excellence Award
for our commitment to quality
patient testing and laboratory
practices.



Moleculera Labs provides clinical testing services for individuals believed to be suffering from autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders such as autoimmune encephalopathies and basal ganglia encephalitis (AE-BGE).

The original research that identified targets leading to the commercial development of the Cunningham Panel™ was based on over 20 years of work conducted by Dr. Madeleine Cunningham and her laboratory team at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center. Moleculera Labs is currently the only laboratory performing this panel of tests.

Based in Oklahoma City, Moleculera Labs is licensed to accept providers' orders for patient testing from all 50 states. The goal of Moleculera is to provide independent testing results to aid clinicians as they make diagnostic and treatment decisions for their patients.

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*Is a precision medicine company working to
identify the root cause of multiple neurologic,
psychiatric, and behavioral disorders.*

THE CUNNINGHAM PANEL™
OF TESTS

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About The **CUNNINGHAM PANEL™**

*An Autoimmune Encephalopathy and
Basal Ganglia Encephalitis Panel (AE-BGE)*

Why has my doctor ordered this test?

The purpose of The Cunningham Panel™ is to assist your doctor to determine if the symptoms the patient experiences are the result of an infection-triggered autoimmune process, or the result of a traditional neurologic or psychiatric illness. This distinction is important, because treatment for the two conditions is completely different.

How are the results reported?

Results for four of the five Cunningham Panel™ tests are reported as a titer (the amount or concentration of a substance in the blood). The fifth test, for CaM-Kinase II, is reported as a percentage of activity over a normal baseline. Results are recorded in the patient report and compared to a normal control range from non-affected subjects.

How quickly are results available?

It takes approximately 2-3 weeks to process results due to the complexity of these tests. (See our website for current processing time). Please allow that amount of time to have your specimen processed and results returned to your physician or other healthcare provider.

The full price of the CUNNINGHAM PANEL™ is \$995. Patients are responsible for the full price of the Panel.



Which CPT codes are used for The CUNNINGHAM PANEL™?

- **83520** Immunoassay for Analyte
- **88230** Tissue Culture for non-neoplastic disorders; lymphocyte
- **86352** Calcium/Calmodulin-dependent protein kinase

Who files insurance and when is it filed?

- **EMPLOYER GROUP OR PRIVATE PLANS:** Moleculara will file a claim on your behalf. A deposit of \$495 is due with the specimen. Moleculara Labs is out-of-network with all insurance plans. Insurance discounts will not apply.
- Insurance is filed once the test report has been released (which is usually 2-3 weeks after the specimen is received).
- Moleculara does not participate with Medicare, TriCare, or any state Medicaid or Medicaid-funded plans. Therefore, we are unable to file claims for those plans. Patients must agree not to personally file a claim for reimbursement and must pay the full \$995 before or upon receipt of the specimen.

Steps you can take that may help get the panel covered by your insurance plan:

- ✓ Ask the ordering provider to give you the diagnosis codes they will use to justify the testing.
- ✓ Prior to specimen collection, use our **INSURANCE CHECKLIST** (available in the Parent & Patient Resources section of our website) to determine if the panel will be considered a covered benefit.
- ✓ Provide Moleculara's "Sole Provider" letter when you contact the insurance carrier (found on the website at molecularalabs.com).
- ✓ Ask your insurance carrier for an out-of-network waiver (also called a "gap exception") since Moleculara is not contracted with any insurance networks or carriers.
- ✓ Ask your insurance carrier if the testing will be considered "in-network" if the healthcare provider who orders the test is contracted with them.
- ✓ If your insurance plan requires a referral/authorization from your primary care provider (PCP) and the PCP did not order the test, ask the ordering provider to collaborate with your PCP to obtain the referral/authorization.