



The ID YOUR IRD gene testing initiative from Spark Therapeutics

ABOUT THE INITIATIVE

ID YOUR IRD is a Spark Therapeutics initiative designed to provide access to genetic testing for eligible US residents with certain inherited retinal diseases (IRDs) at no cost to them, subject to the initiative's terms and conditions. These can be found at IDYOURIRD.com/terms-and-conditions/. Participants also have the option to receive confidential genetic counseling at no cost to them.

Interested patients must have their eligibility criteria confirmed by their doctor, who can then authorize their participation. Doctors can find the eligibility criteria, and comprehensive information about the initiative, at IDYOURIRD.com/for-doctors/.

WHAT ARE THE STEPS INVOLVED?

Once a patient and his or her doctor agree that they are eligible to participate in ID YOUR IRD, the doctor must collect a blood or saliva sample from the patient and send it to a laboratory for the genetic test. Spark Therapeutics has partnered with PreventionGenetics, a CLIA- and ISO-accredited laboratory, to provide the genetic testing at no cost* to patients. Test results can take up to 6 weeks, but typically arrive within 30 days. Doctors can learn more and order test kits at IDYOURIRD.com/for-doctors/.

WHY GET TESTED?

Understanding of genetic mutations, including those that can cause IRDs, is continually evolving—and so are the methods used for genetic testing. With the identification of new genes, and the growing focus on gene therapy research, genetic testing increasingly can provide valuable insight into a patient's vision impairment. The ID YOUR IRD testing panel includes 31 genes in which mutations have been found to cause certain early-onset, rod-mediated IRDs.

WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

In addition to talking with your doctor, IDYOURIRD.com is a good source of information about this gene testing initiative. You can also use the telephone number or email address below to contact a Patient Liaison from Spark Therapeutics. Patient Liaisons are available to help answer questions you may have about the initiative and the steps necessary for enrollment.



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