

Lynx Dx MPS2 FAQ

Who should be screened for prostate cancer?

Men 40+ years old should consider screening for prostate cancer, depending on their racial background and family history. We recommend consulting with your doctor.

What is PSA?

Prostate-specific antigen (PSA) is a protein produced by normal, as well as cancerous, cells of the prostate gland. A PSA test is a common blood test to screen for prostate cancer. The higher the PSA, the higher the likelihood of prostate cancer.

What does an elevated PSA mean?

Although PSA is used to screen for prostate cancer, high PSA results can occur for many reasons other than prostate cancer, including an enlarged prostate gland, prostate infection, recent sexual activity, or rigorous exercise. In fact, three out of four men with an elevated PSA do not have prostate cancer. Often, an elevated PSA result will lead to additional follow-up, like biomarker testing, to help determine whether prostate cancer is present.

What is a biomarker?

The National Cancer Institute defines a biomarker as a biological molecule found in tissue, blood, or other bodily fluids that “is a sign of a normal or abnormal process, or of a condition or disease.”

What is MyProstateScore 2.0 (MPS2)?

MPS2 is a urine test to help you better understand your risk of prostate cancer. The test measures 18 urine biomarkers to generate a report that predicts the percent likelihood that clinically significant prostate cancer is present.

What is clinically significant prostate cancer?

Clinically significant prostate cancer is a type of prostate cancer for which immediate treatment is typically recommended. This is different from low-grade prostate cancer, which often does not require treatment. MPS2 predicts the likelihood that your urologist will find clinically significant prostate cancer if you have a biopsy.

Who should get the MPS2 test?

Men with an elevated PSA level may want the MPS2 test to better understand their true risk of prostate cancer and determine the next steps in care. We recommend consulting with your doctor to determine if MPS2 is right for you.

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What is measured in the MPS2 test?

MPS2 is a biomarker test that analyzes 18 unique gene transcripts in your urine to determine your risk of prostate cancer. Among these is the novel gene fusion T2:ERG, which is present in most men with prostate cancer and is the most specific prostate cancer biomarker available. MPS2 is the only test on the market to detect the T2:ERG gene fusion.

Where can I get MPS2?

MPS2 can be ordered in your doctor's office.

When and how will I receive my result?

Within 5-7 business days, an MPS2 report will be sent to your doctor, who will discuss the results with you at your next appointment.

Is there a cost for this test?

The cost to you depends on your insurance. Many insured patients will not pay for MPS2 or pay only a partial cost. You may receive a bill in the mail from Lynx Dx if your insurance does not cover the full cost.

