

Who is Dahl-Chase?

Dahl-Chase Diagnostic Services (DCDS) is a full-service CAP and CLIA certified pathology laboratory in Bangor, ME, owned and operated by 14 pathologists. We provide flow cytometric, molecular and anatomic pathology services. Our flow cytometry division specializes in high sensitivity PNH testing.

How do I contact Dahl-Chase?

Our toll-free number is 1-877-PNH-FLOW (1-877-764-3569)

Our website is www.dahlchase.com

Why should I send my PNH testing to Dahl-Chase?

Dahl-Chase has extensive experience in PNH testing through clinical trials leading to the FDA approval of Soliris™, the only FDA approved drug to treat PNH. We have established the most up-to-date PNH panels including FLAER with leading international PNH experts* performing high resolution RBC and WBC Analysis with 0.01% sensitivity.

Who should be tested?*

Patients with:

- Hemoglobinuria
- Hemolytic anemia with evidence of intravascular hemolysis
- Suspected aplastic anemia
- MDS/Refractory cytopenia with unilineage dysplasia
- Intravascular hemolysis and iron deficiency
- Hemolysis and thrombosis
- Hemolysis and abdominal pain or dysphagia
- Cytopenias and hemolysis or thrombosis
- Unexplained thrombosis in uncommon sites

How do I order supplies for PNH Testing?

- Email Fdept@dahlchase.com.
- All supplies are delivered and shipped to Dahl-Chase free of charge by FedEx.

How do I send a specimen for PNH Testing?

- Draw peripheral blood in EDTA or heparin.
- Fill out the requisition form provided and include billing information and CBC results.
- Package specimen and paperwork in diagnostic pack (provided).
- Call FedEx (1-800-238-5355) for specimen pickup (shipping paid by Dahl-Chase).
- Fax shipment alert form including FedEx tracking # to Dahl-Chase.

How are the results reported?

For positive results, the PNH clone size is reported for the RBC's, granulocytes and monocytes. Sample reports for PNH-positive and PNH-negative cases as well as requisition forms and shipment alert forms are available on our website www.dahlchase.com (see PNH tab)

What is the Turn-around-time and what are the hours of operation?

Reports are faxed within 24 hours of receipt. All patients testing positive for a PNH clone will be reported verbally. The flow cytometry lab is open Monday through Friday 5am-6:30pm and Saturdays 8-4:30pm.

How does the billing work?

Dahl-Chase will bill the patient's insurance directly or client bill per request.

Any other questions?

Please call us at 1-877-PNH-FLOW and our competent flow cytometry staff will assist and guide you through the entire process.

- References:**
1. Borowitz et al: Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Monitoring of PNH and Related Disorders, Clin Cytometry 2010, 211-230
 2. Sutherland et al: Practical guidelines for the high-sensitivity detection and monitoring of PNH clones by flow cytometry. Cytometry B Clin Cytom 2012; 82:195-208.
 3. <http://www.pnhsource.com/physicians>