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Neurogenetics DNA Diagnostic Laboratory  
CLIA #22D0882074  
New York State #cQP4866

REPORT OF DNA-BASED TEST RESULTS

Test: **Late Infantile Neuronal Ceroid-lipofuscinosis (LINCL, CLN2) DNA analysis**

Patient Name: Nathan Philip Milto  
Patient ID Number: DOB 6/29/94  
Sample Submitted: blood  
Date of Specimen Collection: 2/26/99  
Date of Specimen Receipt: 3/2/99  
Accession: #99-225  
Date of Report: 3/11/99  
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RESULTS:

Genomic DNA from this individual was analyzed by polymerase chain reaction (PCR) amplification of a segment containing intron 5/exon 6 junction and part of exon 6 in the LINCL gene (*CLN2*). The PCR-amplified product was analyzed by DNA sequencing in both directions. The intron 5 splicing mutation, G3560C, was found on one allele.

INTERPRETATION:

DNA sequence analysis identified heterozygous G to C mutation at 3'- splice acceptor in intron 5 of *CLN2* gene.

Recent research findings have shown that mutations in *CLN2* gene result in classical late infantile neuronal ceroid lipofuscinosis (LINCL)<sup>1</sup>. The defective gene in this hereditary disorder encodes a recently identified lysosomal pepstatin-insensitive acid protease<sup>2</sup>. An intronic G to C transversion in the invariant AG of the 3'-splice acceptor of intron 5 and a C to T transition in exon 6 account for more than 60% of all the mutation alleles identified<sup>3</sup>. The exon 6 mutation, C3674T, is a nonsense mutation and predicts a premature translation termination at amino acid codon #208Arg.

Since there are other known mutations in the remaining exons of *CLN2* gene which are associated with LINCL and our detection rate is only 60-70%, we suspect the patient harbors another *CLN2* mutation on the other allele.

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