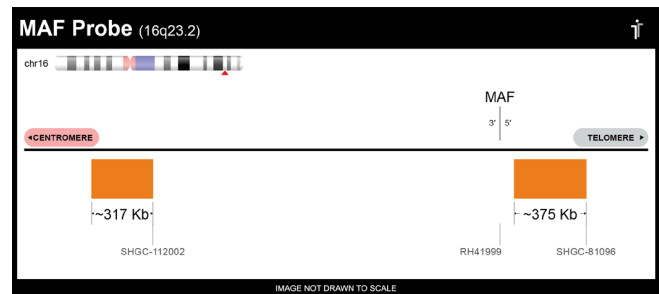


# IGH Reflex Panel

## FOR MULTIPLE MYELOMA

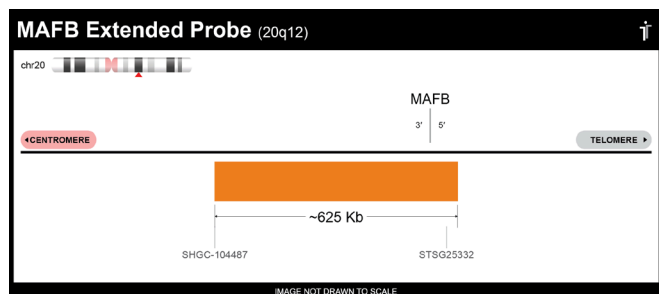
IGH rearrangements are disease-initiating events in up to 40% of multiple myeloma (MM) cases, as well as the MM precursor, monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS).<sup>1</sup> These rearrangements result in fusions with several recurrent partner genes. Empire Genomics' IGH Reflex FISH Panel is designed to detect 4 major IGH fusions found in MM:

### IGH/MAF (IGH-MAF-SPLIT-20-GO-R)



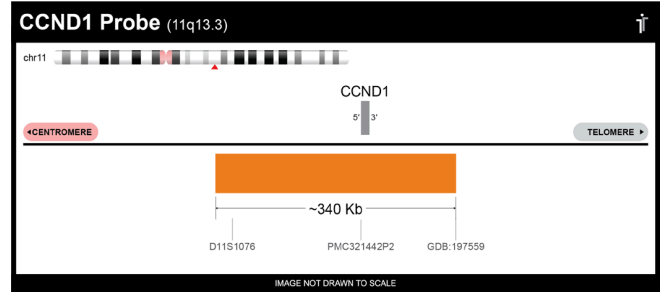
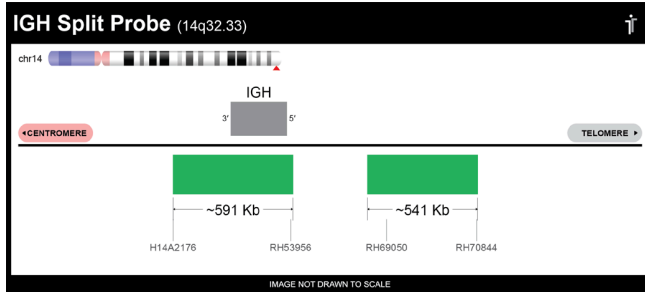
The cryptic IGH/MAF fusion subjects MAF to IGH's powerful enhancer, resulting in MAF upregulation in plasma cells. The abnormality occurs in 5% of MM and 1-5% of MGUS patients. It's considered an early stage biomarker for the disease.<sup>2</sup>

### IGH/MAFB (IGH-MAFB-SPLIT-EXT-20-GO-R)



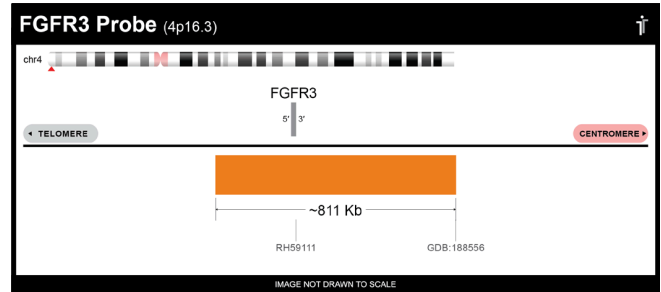
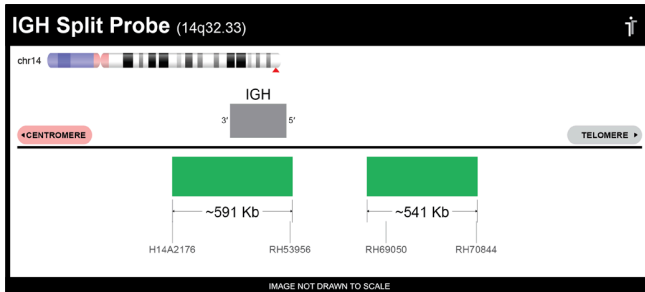
IGH/MAFB fusion is found in about 1% of MM.<sup>3</sup> Consistent with other IGH/MAF family fusions, it's considered a high-risk MM marker.<sup>3</sup> The fusion upregulates MAFB expression, which promotes transformation of fibroblasts and enhances tumor cell proliferation.<sup>4</sup>

## IGH/CCND1 (CCND1-IGH-SPLIT-20-OG-R)



CCND1 is found fused to IGH in 15-20% of MM patients, representing the most frequent rearrangement in the disease. The fusion is usually balanced, and occurs alongside monosomy 13 in about 25% of cases. It's considered a standard risk alteration in MM.<sup>3</sup>

## IGH/FGFR3 (FGFR3-IGH-SPLIT-20-OG-R)



IGH/FGFR3 fusion occurs in 15–20% of MM patients. It is frequently detected alongside chromosome 13q deletions. The percentage of plasma cells harboring IGH/FGFR3 increases significantly with disease progression, evidence that the alteration drives MM development.<sup>5</sup>

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