

Pollen allergy

Suggested test profile for tree, grass and weed pollen sensitisations

ImmunoCAP™ Whole Allergens

Confirm or exclude the suspected allergy with the relevant tree, grass and weed pollen¹⁻⁴

Allergen sources

Tree pollen



Birch	t3
Ash / Olive	t25 / t9
Cypress / mountain juniper	t23 / t6
Plane tree	t11

Grass pollen



Timothy grass	g6
Bermuda grass	g2

Weed pollen



Mugwort	w6
Ragweed	w1
Wall pellitory	w21
Plantain	w9
Saltwort	w11

ImmunoCAP™ Allergen Components

Differentiate between primary sensitisation and cross-reactivity^{1-3,5-8}

Primary sensitisers

Bet v 1	t215
Ole e 1	t224
Cup a 1**	t226
Pla a 1	t241

Cross-reactive allergens

Bet v 2*	t216
Bet v 4*	t220
rBet v 2/Bet v 4*	t221
MUXF3 CCD**	o214

Phl p 1	g205
Phl p 5b	g215
Phl p 1/Phl p 5b	g213
Cyn d 1**	g216

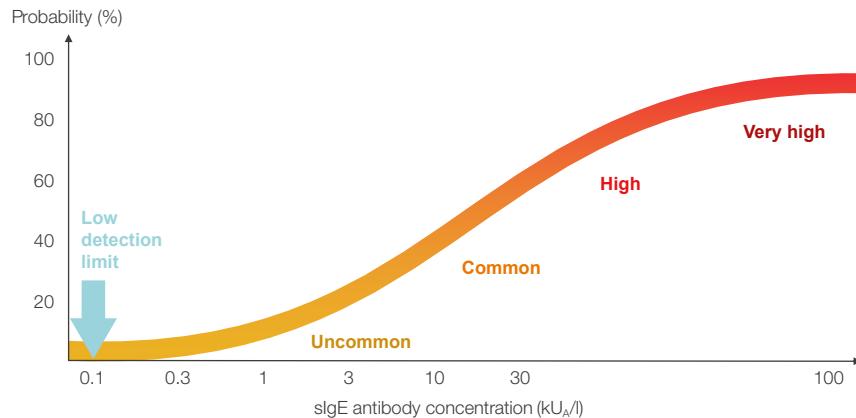
Phl p 7*	g210
Phl p 12*	g212
Phl p 7/Phl p 12	g214
MUXF3 CCD**	o214

If clinical symptoms are present with exposure to tree/grass and weed pollen, there's a high probability of clinical allergy. Consider pollen exposure reduction and prescription of allergen immunotherapy (AIT).^{1-3,5-9}

Unclear AIT efficiency, especially if no pollen-specific sensitisation is found. Continue searching for the primary sensitiser.^{1-3,8,9}

* Birch or timothy profilins (Bet v 2, Phl p 12) and polycladins (Bet v 4, Phl p 7) can replace the corresponding components in other pollen due to the strong structural similarity.^{2,7,8} ** Glycoproteins contain cross-reactive carbohydrate determinants (CCD). IgE antibodies only against CCD (such as on MUXF3) are usually not clinically relevant.^{6,7}

ImmunoCAP Specific IgE tests: quantitative test results you can trust, enabled through high-quality standards



Factors to consider for a final diagnosis^{4–17}

- Age
- Degree of atopy
- Allergen load
- Type of sensitising allergens
- Previous symptoms
- Family medical history



Positive test results

≥ 0.10 kU_A/l indicates sensitisation, especially in, but not limited to, young children. Even very low values indicate a risk of allergy symptoms.^{13,14}

Why use ImmunoCAP™ Specific IgE tests?^{15,16}

- ✓ Can be used in any patient, irrespective of medication, condition or season
- ✓ No risk of adverse reaction (anaphylaxis)
- ✓ Quantitative blood test

Clinical value of quantitative ImmunoCAP Specific IgE testing

Diagnosis



Quantitative measurement of allergen specific IgE antibodies, using the ImmunoCAP Specific IgE assay provides an indication of the risk for clinical reactions to an allergen and assists in the identification of offending allergens for avoidance measures.¹⁹

Prognosis



In general, the higher the IgE antibody level, the higher the risk of developing allergies. Since early sensitisation can be predictive of future allergies development, it's crucial to have highly sensitive and specific IgE tests, allowing accurate identification of sensitising allergens already in young children.^{20,21}

Follow-up



Specific IgE blood testing results help follow the changes in the patient's allergic status over time.^{18,19}

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