Serology vs Molecular Discrepancy Management-Case Study "More Information needed!!!"

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Request for Antigen Negative Blood

- Request was received Thursday, May 05, 2016
 - Hospital Requested:
 - A Rh (D) Negative
 - Big C Negative
 - Little e Negative

- This is a very rare combination
 - cdE/cdE (r"r") 0.01%
- Facility requested this combination due to:
 - Patient Serology typing as A Rh(D) Negative
 - Molecular Typing results
 - C Negative/ e Negative



We informed facility that this combination is very rare

- We would have to request Blood from ARDP
- However we needed to confirm typing's
- We pulled the sample from April 09, 2016
 - Serologically typed as:
 - Big C Negative
 - Big E Negative
 - Re-extracted sample
 - Re-tested on BioArray



- A new sample was requested to confirm serologic and Molecular results
- Requested medical history for this patient
- What is going on?
 - Chimera
 - Transplant
 - Sample mix-up
 - Tech error
 - Something else
- Vendor to review BioArray results from April and May

- Per Tech at requesting hospital
 - No transplant history in record
 - Patient was previously in Dallas-2013/2014 (now in San Antonio-2016)
 - No transplant in Dallas
 - Attending physician is on Vacation (due back in one week)

- Update More information
 - Patient Serologically typed by the IRL in Dallas (2013)
 - Rh (D) Positive
 - Big C Negative
 - Big E Negative
 - Little c Positive
 - Little e Positive
 - Patient previously typed by Dallas hospital (2014)
 - A Rh(D) Positive
 - Big C Negative
 - Big E Negative
 - K Negative
 - Patient ethnicity is Iranian

More information

- Patient was seen at a local hospital in SA August 2015
- Patient is currently typing as A Rh(D) Negative
- There is a time gap between Dallas and SA (2014 and 2015)
- Hospital tech in SA is trying to get more information directly from patient and doctor
- We spoke to other IRLs
 - Have not seen this discrepancy before
 - Suggestion was to perform Buccal Swab
- DNA was sent to Immucor for further molecular testing (also have not seen a discrepancy like this)

- June 16, 2016 more information
 - Received Buccal Swab sample
 - Patient denied receiving Stem cell/bone marrow transplant
 - Immucor results
 - RHD BeadChip:
 - Rh(D) Positive (same as Dallas)
 - RHCE BeadChip

С	С	Е	е	Variant	
0	+	+	0	WT/cE(602C)	

- Extraction testing with PerciseType HEA
 - C, e, Jka, Fyb, Negative



June 21, 2016 – More Information

- Patient is 125 lbs., 21 years old
- Has Beta thalassemia major
- Has been transfused since she was 1 years old
- Is NOT compliant
- Usually gets 3 units per month
- No recent rectic count
- Physician keeps her rectic low doesn't want her to make her own dysfunctional red blood cells
- She usually hemolysis her own cells
- Dr.'s goal is to keep her at a Hgb 10

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 - Patient was receiving A Rh(D) Negative
 - Big C Negative, Little e Negative

Molecular RBCs phenotype with her DNA

So what happened...

- ABORh
 - Patient has been getting A Rh(D) Negative blood
 - Previously typed as A Rh (D) Positive
- Blood Group Rh
 - Serological
 - C Negative; E Negative, c Positive, e Positive
 - Molecular
 - C Negative; E Positive; c Positive; e Negative

- Patients has been receiving:
 - A Rh (D) Negative blood
 - Therefore typing as A Rh (D) Negative
 - Rh (D) Negative blood is usually serologically:
 - Big C and Big E Negative
 - Molecular
 - Patient types A Rh(D) Positive
 - Big C and Little e Negative
 - This is why Facility asked for:
 - A Rh(D) Negative, Big C and Little e Negative blood

What do we do now

- Breath!!!
- Give patient
 - A Rh(D) Positive

• Wait to give big C and/or Little e until she makes it!!!???

More information Needed!!

Discrepancy resolved
Serology Correct
Molecular Correct

Thank you!