

Product Description SALSA® MLPA® Probemix P436-A2 ANO5

To be used with the MLPA General Protocol.

Version A2. For complete product history see page 7.

Catalogue numbers:

- **P436-025R:** SALSA MLPA Probemix P436 ANO5, 25 reactions.
- **P436-050R:** SALSA MLPA Probemix P436 ANO5, 50 reactions.
- **P436-100R:** SALSA MLPA Probemix P436 ANO5, 100 reactions.

To be used in combination with a SALSA MLPA reagent kit and Coffalyser.Net data analysis software. MLPA reagent kits are either provided with FAM or Cy5.0 dye-labelled PCR primer, suitable for Applied Biosystems and Beckman/SCIEX capillary sequencers, respectively (see www.mrcholland.com).

Certificate of Analysis: Information regarding storage conditions, quality tests, and a sample electropherogram from the current sales lot is available at www.mrcholland.com.

Precautions and warnings: For professional use only. Always consult the most recent product description AND the MLPA General Protocol before use: www.mrcholland.com. It is the responsibility of the user to be aware of the latest scientific knowledge of the application before drawing any conclusions from findings generated with this product.

General information: The SALSA MLPA Probemix P436 ANO5 is a **research use only (RUO)** assay for the detection of deletions or duplications in the *ANO5* gene, which is associated with limb girdle muscular dystrophy type 2L (LGMD2L). This probemix can also be used to detect the presence of the *ANO5* c.191dupA point mutation.

LGMD2L or anoctaminopathy is a condition mainly characterised by adult onset proximal lower limb muscular weakness and raised creatine kinase (CK) values, due to recessive anoctamin 5 (*ANO5*) gene mutations. This gene encodes a member of the anoctamin family of transmembrane proteins, and the encoded protein is likely a calcium activated chloride channel. An exon 5 founder mutation (c.191dupA) represents 61% of mutated alleles and appears to be more prevalent in Northern European populations (Sarkozy et al. 2013). The c.191dupA mutation leads to a frameshift and to premature truncation, which strongly suggests that c.191dupA is associated with a loss of *ANO5* function (Bolduc et al. 2010).

The *ANO5* gene (22 exons) consists of ~90 kb of genomic DNA and is located at 11p14.3, 22 Mb from the p-telomere.

More information is available at <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK114459/>.

This SALSA MLPA Probemix is not CE/FDA registered for use in diagnostic procedures. Purchase of this product includes a limited license for research purposes.

Gene structure and transcript variants:

Entrez Gene shows transcript variants of each gene: <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sites/entrez?db=gene>

For NM_ mRNA reference sequences: <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sites/entrez?db=nucleotide>

Locus Reference Genomic (LRG) database: <http://www.lrg-sequence.org/>

Exon numbering: The *ANO5* exon numbering used in this P436-A2 ANO5 product description is the exon numbering from RefSeq transcript NM_213599.2, which is identical to the exon numbering from the LRG_868 sequence. The exon numbering and NM_ sequence used have been retrieved on 09/2020. As changes to the NCBI database can occur after release of this product description, exon numbering may not be up-to-date.

Probemix content: The SALSA MLPA Probemix P436-A2 ANO5 contains 37 MLPA probes with amplification products between 136 and 391 nucleotides (nt). This includes 27 probes for *ANO5* copy number detection.

This probemix contains one probe for every exon, two probes for exon 1, 7 and 19 and three probes for exon 22. Furthermore, this probemix contains one probe specific for the *ANO5* c.191dupA mutation which will only generate a signal when the mutation is present (see P436 specific notes). The exon 5 probe detects the wild-type sequence of the c.191dupA mutation, which means that its signal will decrease when the mutation is present. In addition, nine reference probes are included that detect autosomal chromosomal locations. Complete probe sequences and the identity of the genes detected by the reference probes are available online (www.mrcholland.com).

This probemix contains nine quality control fragments generating amplification products between 64 and 105 nt: four DNA Quantity fragments (Q-fragments), two DNA Denaturation fragments (D-fragments), one Benchmark fragment, and one chromosome X and one chromosome Y-specific fragment (see table below). More information on how to interpret observations on these control fragments can be found in the MLPA General Protocol and online at www.mrcholland.com.

Length (nt)	Name
64-70-76-82	Q-fragments (only visible with <100 ng sample DNA)
88-96	D-fragments (low signal of 88 nt and 96 nt fragment indicates incomplete denaturation)
92	Benchmark fragment
100	X-fragment (X chromosome specific)
105	Y-fragment (Y chromosome specific)

MLPA technique: The principles of the MLPA technique (Schouten et al. 2002) are described in the MLPA General Protocol (www.mrcholland.com).

MLPA technique validation: Internal validation of the MLPA technique using 16 DNA samples from healthy individuals is required, in particular when using MLPA for the first time, or when changing the sample handling procedure, DNA extraction method or instruments used. This validation experiment should result in a standard deviation ≤ 0.10 for all probes over the experiment.

Required specimens: Extracted DNA, free from impurities known to affect MLPA reactions. For more information please refer to the section on DNA sample treatment found in the MLPA General Protocol.

Reference samples: A sufficient number (≥ 3) of reference samples should be included in each MLPA experiment for data normalisation. All samples tested, including reference DNA samples, should be derived from the same tissue type, handled using the same procedure, and prepared using the same DNA extraction method when possible. Reference samples should be derived from unrelated individuals who are from families without a history of LGMD2L. More information regarding the selection and use of reference samples can be found in the MLPA General Protocol.

Positive control DNA samples: MRC-Holland cannot provide positive DNA samples. Inclusion of a positive sample in each experiment is recommended. Coriell Institute (<https://catalog.coriell.org>) and Leibniz Institute DSMZ (<https://www.dsmz.de/home.html>) have a diverse collection of biological resources which may be used as a positive control DNA sample in your MLPA experiments. The quality of cell lines can change; therefore samples should be validated before use.

SALSA Binning DNA SD101: The **SD101** Binning DNA provided with this probemix can be used for binning of the *ANO5* c.191dupA mutation-specific probe (198 nt probe, 18658-SP0690-L24012). **SD101** Binning DNA is a mixture of genomic DNA from healthy individuals and plasmid DNA that contains the target sequence detected by the above mentioned probe. Inclusion of one reaction with 5 μ l **SD101** Binning DNA in initial MLPA experiments is essential as it can be used to aid in data binning of the peak pattern using Coffalyser.Net software. Furthermore, Binning DNA should be included in the experiment whenever changes have been applied to the set-up of the capillary electrophoresis device (e.g. when capillaries have been renewed). Binning DNA should never be used as a reference sample in the MLPA data analysis, neither should it be used in quantification of mutation signals, as for this purpose true mutation positive patient samples or cell lines should be used. It is strongly advised that all samples tested are extracted with the

same method and derived from the same source of tissue. For further details, please consult the **SD101** Binning DNA product description, available online: www.mrcholland.com.

Data analysis: Coffalyser.Net software should be used for data analysis in combination with the appropriate lot-specific MLPA Coffalyser sheet. For both, the latest version should be used. Coffalyser.Net software is freely downloadable at www.mrcholland.com. Use of other non-proprietary software may lead to inconclusive or false results. For more details on MLPA quality control and data analysis, including normalisation, see the Coffalyser.Net Reference Manual.

Interpretation of results: The standard deviation of each individual probe over all the reference samples should be ≤ 0.10 and the dosage quotient (DQ) of each individual reference probe in the patient samples should be between 0.80 and 1.20. When these criteria are fulfilled, the following cut-off values for the DQ of the probes can be used to interpret MLPA results for autosomal chromosomes or pseudo-autosomal regions:

Copy number status	Dosage quotient
Normal	$0.80 < DQ < 1.20$
Homozygous deletion	$DQ = 0$
Heterozygous deletion	$0.40 < DQ < 0.65$
Heterozygous duplication	$1.30 < DQ < 1.65$
Heterozygous triplication/Homozygous duplication	$1.75 < DQ < 2.15$
Ambiguous copy number	All other values

- Arranging probes according to chromosomal location facilitates interpretation of the results and may reveal more subtle changes such as those observed in mosaic cases. Analysis of parental samples may be necessary for correct interpretation of complex results.
- False positive results: Please note that abnormalities detected by a single probe (or multiple consecutive probes) still have a considerable chance of being a false positive result. Incomplete DNA denaturation (e.g. due to salt contamination) can lead to a decreased probe signal, in particular for probes located in or near a GC-rich region. The use of an additional purification step or an alternative DNA extraction method may resolve such cases. Additionally, contamination of DNA samples with cDNA or PCR amplicons of individual exons can lead to an increased probe signal (Varga et al. 2012). Analysis of an independently collected secondary DNA sample can exclude these kinds of contamination artefacts.
- Normal copy number variation in healthy individuals is described in the database of genomic variants: <http://dgv.tcag.ca/dgv/app/home>. Users should always consult the latest update of the database and scientific literature when interpreting their findings.
- Not all abnormalities detected by MLPA are pathogenic. In some genes, intragenic deletions are known that result in very mild or no disease (as described for *DMD* by Schwartz et al. 2007). For many genes, more than one transcript variant exists. Copy number changes of exons that are not present in all transcript variants may not have clinical significance. Duplications that include the first or last exon of a gene (e.g. exons 1-3) might not result in inactivation of that gene copy.
- Copy number changes detected by reference probes or flanking probes are unlikely to have any relation to the condition tested for.
- When running MLPA products, the capillary electrophoresis protocol may need optimization. False results can be obtained if one or more peaks are off-scale. For example, a duplication of one or more exons can be obscured when peaks are off-scale, resulting in a false negative result. The risk on off-scale peaks is higher when probemixes are used that contain a relatively low number of probes. Coffalyser.Net software warns for off-scale peaks while other software does not. If one or more peaks are off-scale, rerun the PCR products using either: lower injection voltage / injection time settings, or a reduced amount of sample by diluting PCR products.

P436 specific notes:

- The presence of a clear signal for the 198 nt *ANO5* c.191dupA probe (at least 10% of the mean peak height of all reference probes in the sample), indicates the presence of the c.191dupA mutation, either heterozygous or homozygous. Presence of the mutation should always be confirmed by sequencing analysis. In a heterozygous c.191dupA sample, the ratio of the 204 nt wildtype specific probe is ~ 0.5 , whereas there will be only a very small signal for this wildtype probe in a homozygous c.191dupA

sample. Please note that other mutations near the ligation site of the 204 nt probe also result in a lower signal for this probe.

- WARNING: The 198 nt *ANOS* c.191dupA probe and the 204 nt *ANOS* exon 5 probe are designed to target the same location on the genomic DNA. Therefore, the wild type exon 5 amplification probe gives a small signal at 204 nt when a homozygous c.191dupA mutation is present! Also, the mutation specific probe gives a small signal around 198 nt when the mutation is not present.

Limitations of the procedure:

- In most populations, the major cause of genetic defects in the *ANOS* gene are small (point) mutations. Except for the common c.191dupA mutation, point mutations will not be detected by using SALSA MLPA Probemix P436 *ANOS*.
- MLPA cannot detect any changes that lie outside the target sequence of the probes and will not detect copy number neutral inversions or translocations. Even when MLPA did not detect any aberrations, the possibility remains that biological changes in that gene or chromosomal region do exist but remain undetected.
- Sequence changes (e.g. SNPs, point mutations, small indels) in the target sequence detected by a probe can cause false positive results. Mutations/SNPs (even when >20 nt from the probe ligation site) can reduce the probe signal by preventing ligation of the probe oligonucleotides or by destabilising the binding of a probe oligonucleotide to the sample DNA.

Confirmation of results: Copy number changes detected by only a single probe always require confirmation by another method. An apparent deletion detected by a single probe can be due to e.g. a mutation/polymorphism that prevents ligation or destabilises the binding of probe oligonucleotides to the DNA sample. Sequence analysis can establish whether mutations or polymorphisms are present in the probe target sequence. The finding of a heterozygous mutation or polymorphism indicates that two different alleles of the sequence are present in the sample DNA and that a false positive MLPA result was obtained.

Copy number changes detected by more than one consecutive probe should be confirmed by another independent technique such as long range PCR, qPCR, array CGH or Southern blotting, whenever possible. Deletions/duplications of more than 50 kb in length can often be confirmed by FISH.

***ANOS* mutation database:** <https://databases.lovd.nl/shared/genes/ANOS>. We strongly encourage users to deposit positive results in the Leiden Open Variation Database. Recommendations for the nomenclature to describe deletions/duplications of one or more exons can be found on <http://varnomen.hgvs.org/>.

Please report copy number changes detected by the reference probes, false positive results due to SNPs and unusual results (e.g., a duplication of *ANOS* exons 2 and 4 but not exon 3) to MRC-Holland: info@mrcholland.com.

Table 1. SALSA MLPA Probemix P436-A2 ANO5

Length (nt)	SALSA MLPA probe	Chromosomal position (hg18) ^a	
		Reference	ANO5
64-105	Control fragments – see table in probemix content section for more information		
136	Reference probe 00797-L24120	5q31	
142	ANO5 probe 18651-L24005		Exon 7
148	ANO5 probe 18652-L24006		Exon 1
155	ANO5 probe 18653-L24007		Exon 16
160	Reference probe 12741-L13835	21q22	
168	ANO5 probe 18654-L24797		Exon 1
172	ANO5 probe 18655-L24009		Exon 10
178	ANO5 probe 18656-L24010		Exon 2
184	ANO5 probe 18657-L24011		Exon 17
193 *	Reference probe 12422-L28134	14q24	
198 § Ж +	ANO5 probe 18658-SP0690-L24012		c.191dupA
204 ∞ Ж +	ANO5 probe 18658-SP0690-L25311		Exon 5
210	ANO5 probe 18659-L25310		Exon 3
219	ANO5 probe 18660-L25309		Exon 8
228	ANO5 probe 18661-L24015		Exon 12
232	ANO5 probe 18662-L24796		Exon 18
238	ANO5 probe 18663-L24017		Exon 13
244	ANO5 probe 18664-L24018		Exon 22
250	ANO5 probe 18665-L24019		Exon 7
256 *	Reference probe 02469-L01913	15q21	
262	ANO5 probe 18666-L24799		Exon 9
267	Reference probe 14110-L15943	8p21	
274	ANO5 probe 18667-L24021		Exon 22
281	ANO5 probe 18668-L24022		Exon 15
285	ANO5 probe 18669-L24023		Exon 4
292	ANO5 probe 18670-L24024		Exon 19
301	ANO5 probe 18671-L24025		Exon 14
313	Reference probe 06580-L24038	2q24	
319	ANO5 probe 18672-L24026		Exon 21
328	ANO5 probe 18673-L24027		Exon 6
339	ANO5 probe 18674-L24028		Exon 20
346	Reference probe 06015-L07508	19q13	
355	ANO5 probe 18675-L24029		Exon 22
364	ANO5 probe 18676-L24030		Exon 11
373	Reference probe 00655-L00183	4q27	
384	ANO5 probe 18677-L24031		Exon 19
391	Reference probe 07808-L22560	3p22	

a) See above section on exon numbering for more information.

* New in version A2.

§ Mutation-specific probe. This probe will only generate a signal when the c.191dupA mutation is present. It has been tested on artificial DNA **but not on positive human samples!**

∞ Wild type sequence detected. The presence of the c.191dupA mutation will result in a decreased probe signal.

Ж This probe consists of three parts and has two ligation sites. A low signal of this probe can be due to depurination of the sample DNA, e.g. due to insufficient buffering capacity or a prolonged denaturation time. When this occurs in reference samples, it can look like an increased signal in the test samples.

+ The ANO5 c.191dupA and ANO5 exon 5 probes target the same location in the genomic DNA. Therefore, they may give small signals (approximately 5%) on each other's target DNA. See the P436 specific notes in the section Interpretation of results.

Table 2. ANO5 probes arranged according to chromosomal location

Length (nt)	SALSA MLPA probe	ANO5 exon ^a	Ligation site NM_213599.3	Partial sequence ^b (24 nt adjacent to ligation site)	Distance to next probe
		<i>start codon</i>	<i>409-411 (Exon 1)</i>		
168	18654-L24797	Exon 1	313-314	GGCGGCCACAG-TCAGATTCAGCA	0.1 kb
148	18652-L24006	Exon 1	391-392	GCACCAGTGCCA-TTAACGAGCTGG	10.3 kb
178	18656-L24010	Exon 2	474-475	AAGCATATAGAC-TACTCTTTCCAA	7.5 kb
210	18659-L25310	Exon 3	499-500	ACTGTTAGCAGA-GCCTGAGCAGCA	7.0 kb
285	18669-L24023	Exon 4	586-587	GGCGGCGGCTTA-TGGTAAAACCAG	2.8 kb
198 § Ж +	18658-SP0690-L24012	c.191dupA	595-596; 629-630	GCAGTTTCAAAA-34 nt spanning oligo-AGATGGGATTAG	-
204 ∞ Ж +	18658-SP0690-L25311	Exon 5	595-596; 629-630	TGCAGTTTCAAAA-34 nt spanning oligo-AGATGGGATTAG	4.9 kb
328	18673-L24027	Exon 6	<i>745-744 reverse</i>	TTCCAACCTCAAG-ACCTGTTTTTCT	1.3 kb
250	18665-L24019	Exon 7	788-789	GGAAGATGGAAG-AACTTATTTTGT	0.1 kb
142	18651-L24005	Exon 7	859-860	TGGGAATCAAAA-TGCCTATTAAGG	8.9 kb
219	18660-L25309	Exon 8	1150-1151	ACACTTACTCAT-CTGCCTATCCAC	3.3 kb
262	18666-L24799	Exon 9	1181-1182	GGGCAATATTG-GAAGCCATCAGA	10.7 kb
172	18655-L24009	Exon 10	1359-1360	CTATTCTTTGCA-GCTGTAGTTGGC	0.4 kb
364	18676-L24030	Exon 11	12 nt before exon 11	ATAACTTTGCTG-TTCCTCTTGCAG	0.3 kb
228	18661-L24015	Exon 12	6 nt after exon 12	TTTGGGGTGAGT-AAATAGTCCCAT	4.4 kb
238	18663-L24017	Exon 13	1659-1660	CTGGTGGACTTT-GAAGAGGAACAG	2.2 kb
301	18671-L24025	Exon 14	15 nt before exon 14	TTCTTTGTGATT-TCTTCAATATTA	1.9 kb
281	18668-L24022	Exon 15	1866-1867	TACCGCCTGTCA-GTCTTTGTACACA	2.7 kb
155	18653-L24007	Exon 16	2166-2167	GTAGGCTATCCT-GGAAAATACACA	0.7 kb
184	18657-L24011	Exon 17	2220-2221	TGTGATCCTGGA-GGCTGTCTTATA	7.4 kb
232	18662-L24796	Exon 18	<i>2375-2374 reverse</i>	CATGATCCTGCT-CCCATCGACTAT	2.5 kb
292	18670-L24024	Exon 19	2507-2508	TGCTCTCATAAA-TAATATTGTAGA	0.1 kb
384	18677-L24031	Exon 19	2599-2600	TAGGTGTTTGGC-AAGACATTCTTT	1.7 kb
339	18674-L24028	Exon 20	2735-2736	TATGACAGGATA-TGTGAATAATAG	1.5 kb
319	18672-L24026	Exon 21	2863-2864	ACGAGAATAAAT-ATTTTCATAATA	3.6 kb
355	18675-L24029	Exon 22	3117-3118	ATGATTGAGGAA-AACAAAGCACAG	0.4 kb
244	18664-L24018	Exon 22	3467-3468	AGAAACACTGGC-CTTGGGCTGTCC	1.5 kb
274	18667-L24021	Exon 22	4967-4968	TGGCTTGTCAAAA-TCAGATTCTCCA	
		<i>stop codon</i>	<i>3148-3150 (Exon 22)</i>		

a) See above section on exon numbering for more information.

b) Only partial probe sequences are shown. Complete probe sequences are available at www.mrcholland.com. Please notify us of any mistakes: info@mrcholland.com.

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Related SALSA MLPA probemixes

- P048 LMNA/MYOT/ZMPSTE24: Contains probes for the *MYOT* gene, involved in Limb Girdle Muscular Dystrophy 1A (LGMD1A).
- P116 SGC: Contains probes for the *SGCA*, *SGCB*, *SGCD*, *SGCG* and *FKRP* genes, involved in various types of Limb Girdle Muscular Dystrophy.
- P176 CAPN3: Contains probes for the *CAPN3* gene, involved in Limb Girdle Muscular Dystrophy 2A (LGMD2A).

- P268 DYSF: Contains probes for the *DYSF* gene, involved in Limb Girdle Muscular Dystrophy 2B (LGMD2B).

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P436 Product history	
Version	Modification
A2	Two reference probes have been replaced and one reference probe has been removed.
A1	First release.

Implemented changes in the product description
Version A2-02 — 23 April 2026 (02P) - Replaced SD033 with SD101.

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