

MTB Genomic Data Request Checklist

Purpose: This checklist standardizes genomic data requests across collaborating sites (Ulm, Heidelberg, Freiburg, Tuebingen) to ensure comprehensive molecular profiling for personalized oncology treatment decisions.

1. Patient & Sample Information

- Patient ID (anonymized/pseudonymized)
- Sample ID(s)
- Sample type (tumor tissue, blood, circulating tumor DNA, etc.)
- Tumor type/cancer diagnosis
- Sample collection date
- Clinical stage at time of sample collection

2. Sequencing & Technical Information

2.1 Sequencing Platform Details

- Sequencing platform (e.g., Illumina NovaSeq, HiSeq 4000, NextSeq)
- Library preparation kit (manufacturer and product name)
- Kit type (e.g., Amplicon, Targeted Resequencing, Whole Exome, RNA-Seq)
- Gene panel name/version (if targeted sequencing)
- Target coverage depth (mean/median coverage)

2.2 Bioinformatics Pipeline

- Pipeline software and version (e.g., CLC Genomics Workbench 23.0.3)
- Reference genome build (HG19/GRCh37 or HG38/GRCh38)
- Variant calling algorithm/parameters
- Filtering criteria (e.g., VAF threshold, coverage requirements)

3. Genomic Alterations Data

3.1 Single Nucleotide Variants (SNVs) & Indels

- Complete variant list (VCF file or tabular format)

Required fields for each variant:

- Gene name
- Chromosome position (chr:pos)
- Reference and alternate alleles
- Variant consequence (e.g., missense, nonsense, frameshift)
- Amino acid change (if applicable)
- Variant allele frequency (VAF)

- Read depth (total and variant-supporting reads)
- Transcript ID
- Clinical significance annotations (ClinVar, OncoKB, etc.)
- Germline vs somatic classification
- Pathogenicity predictions (SIFT, PolyPhen, CADD scores)

3.2 Copy Number Variations (CNVs)

- CNV analysis performed (Yes/No)

If Yes, provide:

- Gene-level copy number status (amplification/deletion)
- Copy number value or ratio
- Chromosomal coordinates
- CNV calling method and confidence score

3.3 Structural Variants (SVs) & Gene Fusions

- Fusion/SV analysis performed (Yes/No)

If Yes, provide:

- Fusion partner genes
- Breakpoint positions
- Supporting read counts
- In-frame vs out-of-frame status
- Known oncogenic fusions (e.g., BCR-ABL, EML4-ALK)

4. Additional Molecular Data (if available)

- Tumor mutational burden (TMB) score
- Microsatellite instability (MSI) status
- RNA expression data (if RNA-seq performed)
- Gene signature scores (immune, proliferation, etc.)
- HLA typing results
- Neoantigen prediction data

5. Clinical Interpretation & Reporting

- Actionable mutations with therapeutic implications
- FDA-approved targeted therapies matching variants
- Clinical trial eligibility markers
- Resistance mutations to standard therapies
- Prognostic biomarkers
- Variants of unknown significance (VUS) with supporting evidence

6. Quality Control Metrics

- Total number of reads

- Percentage of mapped reads
- Mean/median target coverage
- Percentage of targets covered at minimum depth (e.g., $\geq 30x$)
- Tumor purity estimate
- Contamination assessment
- Quality control pass/fail status

7. Data Format & Delivery Specifications

Preferred File Formats:

- VCF (Variant Call Format) for variants
- BAM/FASTQ files (optional, if raw data needed)
- JSON format for structured clinical annotations
- PDF clinical report (human-readable summary)

Remarks for JSON files:

- Data must be delivered as a single JSON file per sample
- JSON must be UTF-8 encoded
- No free-text fields for genomic coordinates
- Missing mandatory fields will cause automated rejection
- Arrays must be empty [] instead of null