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Hb Name: Valletta
Genotype: ACA--> CCA
Hb Class: Beta Variant

Sample Hematology Data
Hb (g/dL): 14.7
RBC (M/mL): 5.2 x 10^6
MCV (fL): 77.6
MCH (pg): 28.4

Iron Status
Ferritin: 198

Major abnormal property: Stability Normal
Laboratory Findings: 21.171% Beta Valletta Globin chain

Electrophoresis: CHROMATOGRAPHY The betaX chain elutes ahead of betaA in reversed phase HPLC

Characterization: STRUCTURE STUDIES Tryptic digestion; separation of peptides by reversed phase HPLC; amino acid analysis DNA ANALYSES An ACA-->CCA mutation at codon 87

OCCURRENCE: Found in many Maltese newborn babies and their parents, and also in some Italian newborn babies

OTHER INFORMATION: Ratio of Hb Valletta to Hb A in the newborn is 50:50; the Hb Valletta mutation occurs linked to the Hb F-Malta-I mutation (i.e. CAT-->CGT) at codon 117 of the Ggamma gene (the two mutations are 27-28 kb apart)

Patient general data
Ethnicity: Maltese
Gender: Male
Age: 35
Transfused patient: No


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Bio-rad Comments: Hb Valletta beta 87(F3) Thr>Pro. Elutes as Hb A°. Clinically normal. Abnormal chain could be observed by RP HPLC. This mutation is usually linked in cis to Hb F Malta.