

Nut Zoomer

Key Clinical Messages

What is the Vibrant Nut Zoomer Test?

The **Nut Zoomer** is a blood test that detects immune reactions to seven different nuts by analyzing 31 of the most antigenic peptides in almonds, cashews, walnuts, brazil nuts, pistachios, pecans, and macadamia nuts.

The Nut Zoomer assesses IgA and IgG reactions to 31 different peptides in nuts and can be ordered as a stand-alone test or as part of a Zoomer bundle by sampling the blood to determine an individual's risk for nut sensitivity.

Conditions and symptoms which may benefit from Nut Zoomer testing include:

Which Patients Benefit from This Test?

- · Gastrointestinal dysfunction
- Diarrhea
- Constipation
- IBS
- Neurological disorders
- · Autoimmune diseases
- Inflammatory conditions
- · Skin manifestations

- Eczema
- Headaches/migraines
- Joint pain
- Asthma
- · Cognitive impairments
- · Brain fog
- Fatigue
- · History of nut sensitivity

Why Order the Nut Zoomer?

By analyzing both IgA and IgG reactions to the most antigenic peptides found in nuts, you can gain a more thorough understanding of an individual's sensitivity to nuts.

Unlike food sensitivity panels which test immune reactions to whole proteins in nuts, the Nut Zoomer tests reactions to specific nut peptides.

Testing for food sensitivities at the peptide level models immune reactions under normal digestion and absorption conditions. Under normal conditions, proteins are broken down in the gastrointestinal tract by digestive enzymes and hydrochloric acid into larger polypeptides and then into smaller peptides and amino acids. Smaller peptides and amino acids are then absorbed through the intestinal epithelial lining into circulation for systemic use.

Peptide level testing also increases test sensitivity because peptides in foods are highly specific to the food from which they are derived, and, therefore, less likely to induce cross-reactivity or be 'confused' by the immune system for other proteins. It is also the only way to detect antibodies against all regions of a protein.

Nuts are known to be a highly allergenic food, but they are also a common food sensitivity, which is typically described as a delayed hypersensitivity food reaction. Since delayed reactions can occur from hours to days after consumption, it's more difficult to identify food sensitivities compared to food allergies. A Nut Zoomer can help patients understand whether nuts are well-tolerated or are associated with a loss of immune tolerance.



What Markers Are Included on the Nut Zoomer?

The Nut Zoomer analyzes reactions to 31 different peptide antigens in seven different nuts.

Peanut Family	Nut Protein Family	Peptide Antigens	
Almond	PR-10 family	Pru du 1	
	PR-5 family	Pru du 2	
	Prolamin family	Pru du 3	
	Profilin family	Pru du 4	
	60s acidic ribosomal protein P2 Family	Pru du 5	
	Cupin	Pru du 6	
Cashew	Vicilin-like 7s globulin protein	Ana o 1	
	11s globulin protein	Ana o 2	
	2s albumin protein	Ana o 3	
Walnut	Prolamin superfamily	Jug n 1, Jug r 1, Jug r 3	
	Cupin superfamily	Jug n 2, Jug r 2, Jug r 4	
	11s globulin protein	Jug n 4	
	Profilins family	Jug r 5, Jug r 7	
	Vicilin protein	Jug r 6	
Brazil Nuts	2s albumin protein family	Ber e 1	
	11s globulin protein	Ber e 2	
Pistachio	2s albumin protein	Pis v 1	
	11s globulin protein	Pis v 2, Pis v 5	
	7s globulin	Pis v 3	
	Magnesium superoxide dismutase	Pis v 4	
	2s albumin	Car i 1	
Pecan	7s albumin	Cari 2	
	11s globulin	Car i 4	
Macadamia Nut	7s globulin 17.4 kDa antigen		





Vibrant Wellness is a CLIA-certified and CAP-accredited lab that utilizes the most reliable, FDA- approved methodologies to measure nut peptides.

- Peptide microarray technology synthesizes on silicon microchip wafers to detect antibody-antigen binding at the epitope level
- Advantages to peptide microarray technology include:
 - Allows for the ability to zoom in on the specific peptide sequences with a high level of precision
 - High level of sensitivity and specificity
 - Less false positive and negative results
 - High reproducibility

Which Tests Pair Well with the Nut Zoomer?

Food Zoomer Bundle: to assess immune reactions (IgA and IgG) to other peptides in commonly consumed foods

 Wheat Zoomer, Corn Zoomer, Dairy Zoomer, Egg Zoomer, Grain Zoomer, Lectin Zoomer, Nut Zoomer, Soy Zoomer

Allergy Panel: to assess IgE immune reactions to different nuts.

Food Sensitivity Test: to assess IgG and IgA immune reactions to raw, whole, water-soluble proteins.

Test Prep for Blood Sample

Collection: One (1) EDTA specimen tube

Hydration Restrictions: None

Fasting Restriction: Not required.

Diet Restrictions: None. Patients should consume their typical diet before testing. Food challenges are not recommended.

Medication Restrictions: None

Dietary Supplement Restrictions: None



Reference Ranges and Interpretation of Results

Reference Ranges:

Reference ranges have been established using 192 healthy individuals.

Results:

Vibrant uses proprietary fluorescent analysis to assay specific total IgG (subclasses 1,2,3,4), and total IgA (subclasses 1,2) antibodies.

The classification of positive to moderate to negative denotes the level of IgG and/or IgA antibodies detected through this analysis. The results are displayed as positive, moderate, or negative:

- A positive result indicates elevated IgG/IgA to the antigen (>97.5th percentile) with respect to the reference range
- A moderate result indicates a moderately elevated IgG/IgA reaction to the food antigen (92.5th-97.5th percentile)
- A negative result indicates normal IgG/IgA reaction (<92.5th percentile) to the food antigen

Example of Results:

Positive		Moderate		Negative	
IgG	IgA	IgG	IgA		
Cashew	Almond	Juglans nigra	Juglans regia	Almond	
Ana o 2	Pru du 3	(Black Walnut)	(English	Pru du 1 Pru du 2 Pru du 4 Pru du 5	
Ana o 3		Jug n 2	Walnut)	Pru du 6	
	Cashew		Jug r 1		
Juglans nigra	Ana o 3	Juglans regia	Jug r 5	Cashew	
(Black Walnut)		(English		Ana o 1	
Jug n 1	Juglans nigra	Walnut)	Brazil Nut		
Jug n 4	(Black Walnut)	Jug r 4	Ber e 1	Juglans regia (English Walnut)	
	Jug n 1			Jugr3 Jugr6	
Juglans regia	Jug n 2		Pistachio		
(English	Jug n 4		Pis v 5	Brazil Nut	
Walnut)				Ber e 2	
Jug r 1	Juglans regia		Macadamia Nut		
Jug r 2	(English		17.4 kDa	Pistachio	
Jug r 5	Walnut)		antigen	Pis v 1 Pis v 2 Pis v 3 Pis v 4	
Jug r 7	Jug r 2				
				Pecan	
Brazil Nut				2s albumin- Car i 1 Car i 2 11s globulin- Car i 4	
Ber e 1					
				Macadamia Nut	
				7s globulin	



Interpretation of Results

Positive for IgG: Consider an elimination diet.

Moderate for IgG: Consider an elimination diet or rotation plan.

Positive/Moderate for IgA: Consider an elimination diet.

Regulatory Statement:

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