

WFS1 Y528S — Wolframin

Tyrosine → Serine at position 528. Cytoplasmic loop 4. ClinVar Uncertain significance, AlphaMissense 0.665, DynaMut2 $\Delta\Delta G$ -1.04 kcal/mol (destabilising).

IDENTITY

Variant	Y528S (p.Tyrosine528Serine)
DNA change	c.1583A>C
Gene · Protein	WFS1 · Wolframin (890 aa)
UniProt	O76024 · WFS1_HUMAN
ClinVar accession	VCV001469296
Amino acid change	Tyrosine (Y) → Serine (S)

STRUCTURAL CONTEXT

AlphaFold model	AF-O76024-F1, v6
pLDDT at residue 528	74.88 HIGH CONFIDENCE
Domain	Cytoplasmic loop 4
Position context	Loop region · position 528 sits between transmembrane segments, solvent-accessible
IDR flag	No — pLDDT well above 50 threshold

Position 528 sits in a connecting loop between transmembrane helices. Loop residues are typically solvent-exposed and often contribute to interhelical contacts or serve as recognition sites for binding partners. The wild-type residue is aromatic with hydroxyl (tyrosine — H-bond donor/acceptor); the mutant is small polar (serine — hydroxyl). The chemistry shift implies altered local packing, hydrogen-bonding, and/or electrostatics at this site.

COMPUTATIONAL PREDICTIONS

ALPHAMISSENSE

0.665am_class: **likely pathogenic** — threshold > 0.564DYNAMUT2 $\Delta\Delta G$ **-1.04** kcal/molDestabilising · Job
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PLDDT (ALPHAFOLD)

74.88

high confidence

CLINICAL EVIDENCE

ClinVar classification	UNCERTAIN SIGNIFICANCE
Review status	criteria provided, single submitter
Last evaluated	2020/10/27 00:00
Inheritance	Inheritance pattern not specified in ClinVar entry; WFS1 has both AD and AR presentations.
WFS1 variant landscape	Y528S is 1 of ~326 pathogenic-spectrum variants in WFS1 (out of 2,243 in ClinVar)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">(no conditions catalogued)

RESEARCH PATH DECISION TREE

$\Delta\Delta G < 2$ + binding site affected → CATEGORY 3 – docking experiments $\Delta\Delta G 2-4$ → CATEGORY 2 – pharmacological chaperones $\Delta\Delta G > 4$ → CATEGORY 1 – gene therapy pLDDT < 50 → CATEGORY 5 – IDR, experimental only Stable fold + functional site hit → CATEGORY 4 – site-specific docking

Category 3/4 — Most Druggable

$|\Delta\Delta G|=1.04 < 2$ kcal/mol (fold intact) + AlphaMissense 0.665 confirms functional impact. Specific local contacts disrupted — priority for docking and pharmacological chaperone screening.

Wolframins fold survives this substitution ($|\Delta\Delta G|=1.04$ kcal/mol). The pathogenic signal is real — AlphaMissense places it at 0.665. Protein still folds, but a specific local site is broken. Pharmacological chaperones and small-molecule binders are the rational therapeutic vector.