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CSF (CEREBROSPINAL FLUI	D) EXAMINATION
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Specimen Required	4 mL CSF in sterile container
Method	Appearance: Visual Inspection
	WBC/RBC count: Microscopy
	Glucose: Spectrophotometry
	Total Protein: Spectrophotometry
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Reference Interval/Value	Appearance : Clear and Colourless	
	WBC : < 1 mth : 0 - 20 / µL : 1 - 2 mths: 0 - 10 / µL	
	: ≥ 2 mths : 0 - 5 / μ L	
	RBC : 0 / µL	
	Glucose : Normal CSF: Blood Glucose ratio should be 0.6 or above	
	Total protein : < 1 mth : 0.30 - 1.20 g/L	
	: 1 - 3 mths : 0.20 - 0.60 g/L	
	$2 \ge 3 \text{ months} : 0.1 - 0.4 \text{ g/L}$	
Turnaround Time	Mean = 4 hrs, Range: 3 - 5 hrs	
Day(s) Test Set up	Daily, 24 hrs STAT	

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Change History Notes

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 Reference Interval has been last updated on 01 Mar 2012.
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Specimen Required and Method have been last updated on 14 Oct 2015.

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https://www.sgh.com.sg/Clinical-Departments-Centers/Pathology/Pathology-Handbook/Lab-Discipline-Special-Instructions/Tests/Pages/... 19/10/2018

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