



CEREBROSPINAL FLUID

Synonym(s): CSF

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Lab Section Category	Cytology – Non-gynaecological Cytology Click here to find out more about the write-up (/clinical-departments-centers/pathology/pathology-handbook/lab-discipline-special-instructions/pages/cytology.aspx).
Specimen Required	A minimum of 1 mL of CSF should be collected; 2 to 3 mL are preferred. Collect specimen in Shandon Fixative supplied by the Cytology Lab. Send by hand to the Cytology Lab as soon as possible - See Non-Gynaecological smear, fluid and Fine Needle Aspiration (FNA) - General Instruction (/clinical-departments-centers/pathology/pathology-handbook/lab-discipline-special-instructions/pages/cytology.aspx#NGYN) for details. A cytology request form that is completely and properly filled up - see the request form (/clinical-departments-centers/pathology/pathology-handbook/lab-discipline-special-instructions/pages/cytology.aspx#NGYTRF) for details.
Turnaround Time	90 % of cases reported within 2 working days and 100% of cases reported within 7 working days
Day(s) Test Set up	Daily

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