

# ALBUMIN, CSF

## Orderable - CSFI

Turn Around Time: 4 hours

### Alternate Name(s):

CSF ALB  
CSFI

### Specimen:

Adult	Pediatric
1.0 mL of CSF and a 5 mL Gold or 6 ml Red top Vacutainer	1.0 mL of CSF and 0-2 years: 0.5 mL Gold or Red Microtainer 2-10 years: 3 mL Gold or Red Vacutainer tube

### Collection Information:

Minimum CSF volume required is 700 µl  
Minimum serum volume required is 360 µl

Collect blood aseptically in a Vacutainer tube.

Avoid hemolysis.

Serum from a 4.5 ml Green (Lithium Heparin) is also acceptable.

### Reference Ranges:

<350 mg/L

### Interpretive Comments:

CSF IgG and Serum Albumin and IgG are also quantitated in order to calculate CSF Index.

### Storage and Shipment:



**Laboratory:**  
Core Lab



**Requisition:**  
GENERAL LABORATORY  
REQUISITION



**Method of Analysis:**  
Immunoturbidometric  
Assay



**Test Schedule:**  
Daily



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CSF is refrigerated at 2 – 8°C for up to 3 days. Store at –20°C for longer storage.

Serum can be stored and/or shipped at room temperature for up to 8 hours or refrigerated at 2 – 8°C for up to 5 days. Store at –20°C for longer storage.