

## Cell Count CSF

<b>Synonyms</b>	CSF cell count
<b>Abbreviation</b>	CSF cellct
<b>Specimen type</b>	Sterile CSF
<b>Container</b>	Sterile CSF tube
<b>Volume</b>	2 mL Minimum: 1 mL
<b>Collection requirements</b>	Use tube #3 (or last tube collected)
<b>S/H instructions</b>	Process within 2 hours
<b>Stability</b>	2 hours at room temp
<b>Reference range</b>	Nucleated WBCs: ≥12 yrs: 0 - 5/mm <sup>3</sup> 5 - 12 yr: 0 - 10/mm <sup>3</sup> 1 - 4 yr: 0 - 20/mm <sup>3</sup> <1 yr: 0 - 30/mm <sup>3</sup> RBC: 0/mm <sup>3</sup> Cytospin differential will be performed when the Nucleated Cells are >5/uL for an adult and >10/uL for children.
<b>Routine / STAT T.A.T</b>	Always considered a STAT procedure – 1hr
<b>Section</b>	Body fluids
<b>LAB code</b>	02245