

Lactic Acid Spinal Fluid

Order Name: **CSF LACTIC**
Test Number: 3500650
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TEST NAME	METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE
Lactic Acid Spinal Fluid		2520-5

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS

Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	0.5 mL (0.1)	CSF (Cerebrospinal Fluid)	Sterile Screwtop Container	See Instructions
Instructions	Patient should be informed, relaxed and properly positioned for lumbar puncture. Specimen must be on ice. Deliver to lab immediately.			

GENERAL INFORMATION

Testing Schedule	Daily
Expected TAT	1-2 days
Clinical Use	Used to differentiate bacterial from other types of meningitis. Elevated in cerebral infarct, cerebral hemorrhage and hepatic encaphalopathy.
CPT Code(s)	83605
Lab Section	Chemistry