

Reporting Title: Alpha-Fetoprotein, CSF

Performing Location: Rochester

Specimen Requirements:

- Container/Tube: Sterile vial
- Preferred: Vial number 1
- Acceptable: Any vial
- Specimen Volume: 1 mL

Forms:

[If not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send an Oncology Test Request](#) (T729) with the specimen.

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
CSF	Frozen (preferred)	7 days	
	Refrigerated	7 days	

Result Codes:

Result ID	Reporting Name	Type	Unit	LOINC®
AFSF	Alpha-Fetoprotein, CSF	Numeric	ng/mL	1833-3

LOINC® and CPT codes are provided by the performing laboratory.

Supplemental Report:

No

CPT Code Information:

86316

Reference Values:

<1.5 ng/mL

Values for alpha-fetoprotein in cerebrospinal fluid have not been formally established for newborns and infants. The available literature indicates that by 2 months of age, levels comparable to adults should be reached.(Ann Clin Biochem 2005;42:24-29)