

**National Dementia Diagnostics Laboratory (NDDL)
Cerebrospinal Fluid (CSF) Specimen Data Sheet
Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease Biomarker Testing**

This form must accompany CSF specimens referred for CJD testing

REFERRING LABORATORY DETAILS

Laboratory/Hospital: _____

Contact Name & email: _____

Phone: () _____ Email (or Fax) for reports: _____

Street Address: _____

City/Suburb: _____ State: _____ Postcode: _____

CSF SPECIMEN DETAILS

Specimen Lab No: _____

CSF Collection Date: _____

Requested Test: ☐ **Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease (CJD) Testing - 14-3-3 and RT-QuIC**
**No specific tube type required*

Biochemistry		Microbiology	
Protein:	g/L	Red Cell Count:	x10 ⁶ /L
Glucose:	mmol/L	White Cell Count:	x10 ⁶ /L

Please see table below for testing criteria

Tube number being sent for testing: CJD: _____ Tube number microbiology performed on: _____

Testing criteria:

Clear and colourless, non-haemolysed, not spun	WCC must be $\leq 10 \times 10^6/L$ (RT-QuIC only)	<4 days at 4°C – freeze immediately
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*Note: Specimens which are macroscopically haemorrhagic, are discoloured or have WBC counts outside of the listed parameters **will not be tested**.*

CJD Testing storage conditions

- ☐ Fridge 4°C Days at 4°C _____
- ☐ Frozen –20°C
- ☐ Frozen –70°C

CJD Testing shipping conditions

- ☐ Frozen – (dry-ice)

Address CSF Specimens to:

Australian National CJD Registry (ANCJDR)

The Florey, Kenneth Myer Building
30 Royal Parade
Gate 11, Rear loading Dock
The University of Melbourne, Parkville, VIC 3052

CHECKLIST PRIOR TO SENDING CSF SPECIMEN

- ☐ Biochemistry & microbiology results are within specified limits and are recorded in the table
- ☐ Minimum 1.5ml of volume required
- ☐ Specimen is double bagged and packed securely (tube intact and firmly sealed).
- ☐ Copy of original doctor's request slip is provided with specimen.
- ☐ CJD CSF Specimen Data Sheet (this form) completed and attached to the test request documents.
- ☐ Specimen is correctly addressed to The Australian National CJD Registry
- ☐ The ANCJDR have been advised of the incoming specimen (contact details below).

Costs for Diagnostic Testing

CJD Panel: Domestic Referrals: \$250 (commencing on 01/09/2026) International: \$500

Australian National CJD Registry Contact Details

Tel: 03 8344 1949 Fax: 03 9349 5105

Email: ancjd-reg@unimelb.edu.au Web: <https://florey.edu.au/science-research/scientific-services-facilities/australian-national-cjd-registry>