

Illness Script Meningoencephalitis Syndrome	LISTERIOSIS	TUBERCULOSIS	NEUROSYPHILIS
TIME	Acute	Subacute	Chronic *(when no previous suspicion)
KEY CLINICAL DATA	.Rhombencephalitis .Focal neurological deficit  .Cranial nerve palsies	.Fever, vomiting, headache .Focal neurological deficit .Cranial nerve palsies	.Confusion, nausea, vomiting, stiff neck .Visual deficit .Hearing loss
EPIDEMIOLOGY	.Contaminated food in immunocompetent	.Previous exposure and immune deficiency	.Previous infection, Known or unknown .High clinical suspicion
CSF (Cerebrospinal Fluid)	.Pleocytosis .Lymphocytosis .Low Glucose (mild)	.Pleocytosis .Lymphocytosis .Low Glucose(mild)	.High WBC .High proteins . + VDRL test

WBC: White Blood Cells. VDRL: Venereal Disease Research Laboratory test