

Microbiology Meeting Minutes

March 24, 2021

12:15 to 12:30

1. White board on fridge:
 - Please don't use permanent marker on the board. Use the markers on the fridge
2. HR and FS samples:
 - They have asked if we can start taking their micro back. Their Dr's have been requesting this
 - Laura S said we can take it back except BV, wet prep and genital cultures
 - We will see how this goes and how the workload is but it shouldn't be much
3. Media at end of shift:
 - Please bring out media at end of night and don't leave empty
 - If there are positive blood cultures, have to wait for it to warm up if none is out
4. New GX cartridges:
 - take 41 minutes not 51
 - Has COVID, Flu and RSV but we will only be reporting COVID
 - Does not report E and N2 CT values. There is only one value reported. Will make things easier
 - Use old cartridges first before switch to new ones
 - Everything is exactly the same for set up
5. My HR course:
 - Emily learned you can restart where you left off if you are using the same computer
 - This will make it easier to complete
 - We will try to work on these on STAT days as everyone is in and not usually as busy
6. Jocelyn duties:
 - Jocelyn has asked to do more duties
 - Starting immediately she will be performing gram stains
 - When Laura S back from leave, will be trained on setting up Vitek5
 - Also look at temperatures and maintenance for equipment
 - When GeneXpert is in use for C.diff she will be running those and performing the maintenance on this instrument

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7. Laura S on leave:
 - David will be in charge on April 1 and 2. Moses the next week
 - Elwood will be helping with supervisor duties if required
 - please do not call or text Laura S as she will not be in Yellowknife and is taking time off from work and does not want to be contacted
 - Emily has said she could come in to do COVID testing if required but this will be up to Elwood

8. Roundtable:
 - No one had anything