

## Microbiology Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2022

12:15 to 12:45

1. STAT Days:
  - One person should not work alone since the core lab is no longer here past 3
  - We will have 2 12 to 8 techs on these days so no one is alone
2. Changing urine bench to 12 to 8:
  - Would mean we would always have 2 12 to 8 techs in the week
  - This would be better for the urine bench so the chromogenic agar can incubate longer before being read
  - Will make sure no one in micro is alone. Core lab gets very busy and may forget about us. Also, as PCR testing will increase one tech will be spending a lot of time in that room
  - Will help even out the duties and will help alleviate congestion in the micro lab during the day
  - Everyone agreed this will be better. Laura S will change this and the bench duties one Jen and Katie are trained
3. TM agar:
  - Is backordered until at least the end of October
  - Laura S had to order a different brand of this
  - Not sure what the packaging will look like but will be the same thing
4. Change in how long urines are good for:
  - A lot of the community urines are being rejected as >3 days old
  - Laura S is going to work with Dr. Solomon to see if we can still process them with a disclaimer
  - Will probably be a delay if after 3 days
5. If gram doesn't match culture:
  - We have our new process of ensuring corrected reports are not generated but we still need to make sure we check the gram if the saved results do not match our plate results
  - Also document this in the Tech comments that you rechecked the gram
6. Roundtable:
  - Moses: New MLA are putting non-micro samples in the micro bins and when they are moved back to the correct bins they sit in there for days. Lindsey needs to make sure the MLA know where samples go. Need a job aid and training
  - Neahlanna: clinical history has a lot of errors and this goes on the final report. Ensure when you are typing this in you are spelling things correctly and check your work. Don't rush

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- Labels on BC bottles: Laura S will add to the >24 blood culture procedure to first check the labels to make sure they are correct