

Microbiology Meeting Minutes

November 9, 2022

12:15 to 13:00

1. Biomerieux lunch and learn:
 - Biomerieux is going to do a lunch and learn in February
 - Laura S sent the invite to everyone
 - Probably do KFC lunch again, will be for the entire lab
 - Lunch and learn topics are about new technology in the micro lab
2. New Vitek software:
 - The Vitek will be getting new software
 - Laura S put it off until February as holidays are coming soon and training Katie and Jen
 - It looks quite different than current software
 - Eventually will be getting rid of the smart carrier station and you can set up your cassette at your bench
3. PCR weekly QC:
 - We started this on Monday
 - Specimen receiving bench will do C.diff QC on the GX-4
 - Laura S showed everyone the C.diff QC (in the green bucket in rgt. Fridge, there is a positive and negative)
 - Laura will work with everyone one on one when it is their time to do this
 - Will also be doing the COVID QC on the GX-16 and RP2.1 QC on the BF
 - There are worksheets used to document the QC
4. Vitek cards in back fridge:
 - Usually a new lot
 - Always start from left to right and top to bottom when selecting a product. If it is a new lot number, it will have the yellow sticker
 - When bringing Vitek cards to the front fridge, fill the fridge up:
 - ^5 GPI and GNI fit in micro fridge
 - ^10 GPS and GNS fit in micro fridge
5. MRSA in groin and nares:
 - Do not have to work both up. Just work up one and call the other S.aureus with MRSA comment
 - Laura S has updated the procedure to say this
6. Evening tech "checking" swabs if checked for delay comment:
 - Laura S wanted to ask how this was going
 - Everyone said it is going well and helpful

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7. CSMLS courses:
 - CSMLS has a lot of free courses that are good
 - Micro and other lab areas
 - If it is not busy and all work is done, Laura S does not mind people doing these courses during work time
8. Setting up MAST if think will be needed:
 - If the patient has a history of ESBL, it is fine to set up MAST on first day
 - This will save time in releasing patient results
9. Core lab MLA:
 - They are very busy right now and micro has good staffing so they will not be assisting micro
10. Tomorrow/Friday:
 - Laura S will be off Thursday and Friday
 - Should be fine as Moses and Katie can do urine bench and front and Laura G and Jen can do PCR and front bench
11. Roundtable:
 - Moses: Does the front bench do positive gram stains? Yes, they do but can work with wound bench tech. If one is busy and one isn't then work can be shared