

Microbiology Meeting Minutes

June 5, 2024 12:15 to 12:45

Attendee	Present?	Attendee	Present?
Laura S	✓	Chelsea	✓
Moses	✓	Jen	✓
Solomon		Katie	✓
Laura G	✓		
Minutes recorder: Laura S			

1. GX IV:

- Moved to TB room. We will try just using the GX-IV and turn the GX-XVI off for now. That way it is accessible if we need it, but we don't have to maintain it
- Interface isn't working on the GX-IV in the TB. Chelsea and Laura S are trying some things
- We will re-evaluate this in a few weeks and see what we think about the move

2. BF:

- For now, we are not going to move another base into the TB room
- If the one, we are using stops working we will have to halt testing until the new base can be brought over and set up
- We can see how things are in the fall, but right now the demand for this testing is not high

3. OX ET validation:

- This validation has been approved
- Laura S thanked Chelsea, Jen and Katie for their help performing this validation. Moses let us know he did do some testing for this so thank you Moses ©
- These ET can be used now. When using the ASTM, use the full flow-chart for oxacillin results. Just make sure to repeat the testing first

4. Specimen quality comments:

- There are 2 new ones: IRR is when an irretrievable sample is received, and the waiver form is completed. This comment will document that the sample was received unlabeled. LEAK is when an irretrievable sample leaks. This will comment that contamination is possible
- Laura S has made a rejection SOP to go with the job aid
- This SOP gives direction on how to process a leaking fluid sample



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- 5. Add CC stickers to NML requisitions:
 - We do not need to add these stickers anymore. The NML reports are emailed to Laura S and to OCPHO
 - If the patient is from Nunavut, OCPHO will forward the report to them. NML will not fax reports any longer
 - We also might start sending them N.gono cultures as they do a study on them, and it is good to be part of this
 - Laura S will update the SOP once decisions are made about N.gono being sent

6. Roundtable:

- No one had anything to add