

Microbiology Meeting Minutes

October 30, 2024

12:15 to 12:45

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

1. Adding CNA to fluid samples:
 - Do we want to add CNA plate to certain fluid samples?
 - Particularly drainage fluid
 - Laura G had a situation where both GNB and GPC grew in a fluid specimen so she had to add CAN
 - We decided that this doesn't happen very often so we will keep it like it is now. But if when reading the gram, we noticed these bacteria we will add a CNA

2. Commensal genital/respiratory flora observation:
 - These have been added back for these specimens
 - Previously we agreed that if we are using these observations we will say how much and what is part of the commensal flora
 - Is there anything else we need to list and does this work for everyone
 - If you are not sure what the flora is and need to do testing, then it needs to be an isolate
 - We decided that we will list the quantity and commensal flora and then in bracket put what it is using short forms (CNS, ENT, etc.)

3. Chromogenic disk tests:
 - This includes PYR, M.CAT, ALA and BL
 - There have been some issues with the PYR test and BL
 - Laura S is worried that we have the containers open for too long and it is causing issues with the disks
 - We will monitor this on Wednesdays and during the week for the month of November
 - If we think having these open for long periods of time is affecting the results we will start changing them monthly like we do for the antibiotic disks
 - Let Laura S know of any observations you make on Teams

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4. BioFire tests:
 - Currently, there is a message that the tests not being reported are not defined and you have to say ok
 - The other option is what we used to do where all the results came across but only the ones we do are reported
 - Which way is better and do we even care which one
 - We like what is happening now better so we will keep it as it is, and the other tests will attach to ADENT

5. CXFLD Gram TAT:
 - For September we had 7 fluid grams and 6 were within the 60 minute TAT
 - This is 86%
 - Laura S has made a new graph and will post on our quality board above the sink
 - Great job in improving the TAT of these samples
 - Moses commented that the teamwork when these samples arrive is great in our lab and this is helping us be successful in getting these done within the 60 minutes

6. Roundtable:
 - Moses: had a message from Solomon that he wanted to give his regards to us all at our weekly meeting and him and his wife are grateful of the sendoff we gave Solomon