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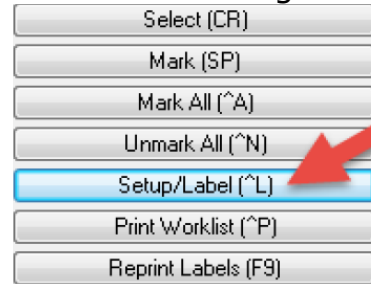
1. When a positive blood culture vial arrives from Inuvik, it will need to be received and plated

2. In SoftMic:

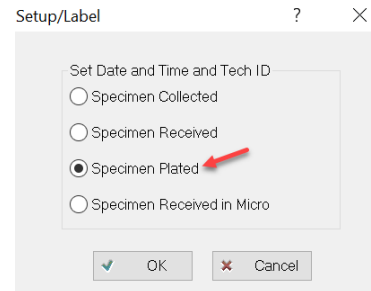
- Select **Receiving Worklist**
- Select the Receiving Worklist **Not Received:**

#	ID	Worklist Name
1	000ST	NOT COLLECTED
2	010ST	NOT RECEIVED
3	020ST	NOT PLATED
4	IN000	NOT PLATED

- Scan the LIS barcode on the blood culture vial. The vial that was scanned will have a red check mark beside the order on the left side
- Select **Setup/Label (^L)** from the menu on the right-hand side:



- Ensure that **Specimen Plated** is selected and select **OK**:



- The plate labels will print

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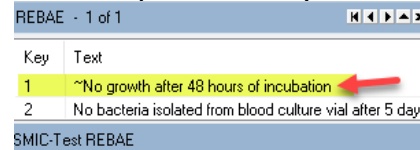
3. Refer to **MIC10100-Microbiology Specimen Processing** for plating the sample  
 ➤ After the sample is plated, the gram stain needs to be stained, read, called, and reported within 60 minutes during regular microbiology hours

4. In SoftMic:  
 ➤ Select **Resulting Worklist**  
 ➤ Select the Resulting Worklist **REFERRAL\_STH**  
 ➤ Enter the order number on the gram stain slide and select enter to mark the order  
 ➤ Select enter again to open **Result Entry** or double click on the accession number to open  
**NOTE:** The gram stain order (STBAE, STBAN or STBPE) will automatically be ordered depending on which vial was sent (aerobic, anaerobic, or pediatric)

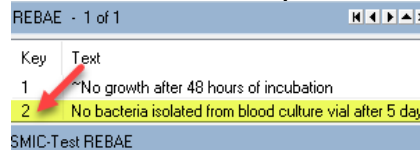
5. Result stain order as per **MIC20500-Gram stain resulting in LIS-Blood Cultures:**  
 ➤ Refer to section 4-Reporting of positive blood culture bottles received from Inuvik Laboratory  
 ➤ If bacteria are not seen on the slide, consider repeating the smear and/or consider performing an acridine orange stain

6. Process blood culture media as per **MIC34000-Blood Culture**

7. If no bacteria are seen on the smear and :  
 ➤ There is no growth on culture media at 48 hours, using the **RE** keypad, select **Key 1** to add the "No growth after 48 hours of incubation" preliminary comment:



➤ Re-incubate aerobic plates for an additional 24 hours and the BRU plate for an additional 72 hours  
 ➤ If at day 5 no anaerobic bacteria are isolated, using the **RE** keypad, select **Key 2** to add the "No bacteria isolated from blood culture vial after 5 days" final comment:



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