

Microbiology Meeting Minutes September 17, 2025

12:00 to 13:00

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

1. Weekly check-in:

- No one had anything to discuss
- Laura S wanted to remind everyone that she will be off next week. Laura G
 is the responsible person Monday to Wednesday and Katie is on Thursday
 and Friday

2. October 11:

- We will be going to BK to celebrate with Moses
- It will be a micro party like we did with Solomon

3. Amox ET on SPN in BC:

- It is a good idea to automatically do the Amoxicillin ET if have SPN in a blood culture as sometimes it is needed and it is better if it is already done
- Same thing we did with S. aureus in blood cultures
- Laura S is not going to add it to the keypad, but it is a good thing to just remember to do

4. S. sapro in urine:

- In the SOP is says it is a pathogen only if it is a female aged 13 to 55
- There was one last week and the patient was 60 but symptomatic so person working on it wasn't sure if it is treated like a CNS and worked on if pure and patient symptomatic or if it was never treated on a pathogen if outside the age of 13 to 55
- Laura S is going to investigate this. It used to be this way but maybe it has changed. Her notes from Dr. Solomon do not mention anything about the age so it might always be considered a pathogen regardless of patient's sex or age
- She will email everyone and let them know either way

5. BV slides for day:

- Last week Laura S made an error when resulting BV slides and resulted the wrong slide on the wrong patient. It was confusing and we couldn't figure it out right away since the slides that were read were discarded
- We are going to try keeping a tray for BV slides for the day and they can be discarded when all the BV are done for the day
- We will try this for now and see how it goes and if it is necessary. Laura S will bring out an extra slide tray for this



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6. CXIUD:

- Last week one was received but it was discovered that the processing instructions were not in the SOP anymore. Luckily the culture SOP was in the urine culture binder
- This is because we had decided we wouldn't do them here but then decided we would, but Laura S had already removed the information for them
- It is back now in the specimen processing SOP on the front bench and saved on the shared drive and in MTS

7. Roundtable:

- Jen: The CSF kit is going to stay on the cart by the BSC. There is no point in moving it to the fridge. The plates will be removed from the kit in the morning and replaced with fresh plates for the night for the core lab to use. Laura S will change any instructions that say to put the kit in the fridge but if you see any she missed, let her know