

Microbiology Meeting Minutes October 15, 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 any issues to discuss
- Moses wanted to talk about a blood culture he received from Inuvik last night. The gram kept washing off the slide and it was very difficult to read. It is an anaerobe and looks gram-negative. Laura S reminded everyone that sometimes we are not sure of the gram, but we need to make a decision and if we are wrong, we will change it and notify the ordering location about our error.
- Moses wanted to thank everyone for Saturday evening. We had a great time. His family was so excited and happy that we planned that evening and we all had such a great time. We will try to organize an event when he is back in December. If we want to organize something with the core that would be good, but someone needs to take it on.

2. December schedule:

- Moses will be back in December, which is good because the PCR testing may increase during this time
- For the first few weeks, we will have a bench called P which will be for PCR testing
- This person will do the PCR testing and will also work on their mandatory training and reading
- Jen has been given an assignment to work on so she will be getting more P days. Also, if you don't have any learning and don't need your P day, it can be given to Jen if it works out for her and the schedule

3. HPV reports:

- Laura S wanted to discuss where to put them when they get faxed on the blood bank printer, but Katie had the great idea of using the second magnetic folder thing and labelled it HPV reports.
- This is where we will put the reports that need to be resulted in
- If you have free time, please result these. If we find they have been in there for more than a week because there is no time to do them, let Laura S know so she can result them
- We quickly went over how to result them. Use the keypad to enter the positive ones. The first few get one comment and the rest get another. The keypad says which ones get the comments. Ask Laura S if you are unsure



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- Laura S also did the online waybill for the samples today and it is very easy.
 She will make very quick instructions for everyone to use, and we will do this for the HPV samples. For the NML ones, we will still use the paper waybills as they are charged to NML and not sure if we can add the accounts
- Moses brought up how he read on Cabin Radio that they have started mailing these swabs out to people. This has occurred in the BD region a couple of months ago. Laura S knew they were going to do this but didn't know they had. We will continue to monitor how much work these samples are and if it becomes too much, we will discuss and see what we can do

4. Roundtable:

- No one had anything to discuss