## **Microbiology Lab Experiment Changes**

**Experiment #:** 5-11, 5-14, 5-16

Title: Starch, Lipid, Gelatin Hydrolysis

Live Organisms: E. coli, Bacillus subtilis, Bacillus cereus, Streptococcus

bovis, S. aureus

Changes: Procedure: work in groups of 3 students/2 group per table

1. Inoculate media as follows:

E. coli B. subtilis

Strep. bovis

Starch plate

Fat plate

E. coli B. cereus

Gelatin tubes

Other bacteria may also be used. The inoculations above are the minimum requirements.

2. After incubation, flood starch plate with iodine and refrigerate gelatin tubes. On starch plates, starch turns blue-black upon addition of iodine. Look for clear or colorless zones around bacterial growth. After refrigeration, tilt gelatin tubes and observe any liquid gelatin.

**Take Home Lesson:** See chart on handout. You need to know the substrate, type of enzyme, what enzyme is involved, the product for which the test is being performed and positive and negative test results.