



# Latest innovations for the monitoring of milk hygienic quality, methods automation and standardization

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## Presentation outline

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New BactoCount IBC, a unique multiplex solution for the real time monitoring of milk hygienic quality (total flora, somatic cells, bacteria & somatic cells  $\neq$ ...)

BactoCount/Somacount Worldwide standardization

Milk Amyloid A (MAA) Assay – a better marker for subclinical mastitis diagnostic

New automation solutions for optimum laboratory & methods standardization

Worldwide infrared spectra standardization (patent pending)



## Over 25 years of experience in flow cytometry (FC) and monitoring of milk hygienic quality

- 1991 **Somacount 300/500** (1<sup>st</sup> somatic cells counter using flow cytometry)
- 1995 **Bactocount 70** (1<sup>st</sup> bacteria counter using flow cytometry)
- 2001 **BactoCount IBC 50-150** (1<sup>st</sup> ISO 16140 certified bacteria counter (FC))
- 2002 **BactoCount IBC M** (1<sup>st</sup> integrated bacteria (ISO 16140) & somatic cells counter (FC))
- 2008 **Somacount FCM 500/600** – somatic cells counter (FC)
- 2017 Bactocount IBC 200 (total bacteria, total somatic cells, bacteria & somatic cells ≠ ..**

# BactoCount IBC

A new analytical revolution in the monitoring of milk hygienic quality (total bacteria, somatic cells,  $\neq$  ...)



# BactoCount IBC

**A new analytical revolution in the monitoring of milk hygienic quality (total bacteria, somatic cells,  $\neq$  ...)**

- **A unique multiplex solution for the real time monitoring of milk hygienic quality (total flora, somatic cells, total flora & scc  $\neq$ ...)**
- Flow cytometer equipped with multiple lasers and detectors
- Automatic cytometer standardization
- Based on proven technologies and over 25 years of experience in flow cytometry
- Same software platform for all our Nexgen instruments
- Full compatible with the new Intellitech ILAS 4000 robot for complete method standardization and automation
- Fully compliant with ISO/IDF international standards
- Up to 200 samples/hour





# MICROVAL

European validation and certification organisation



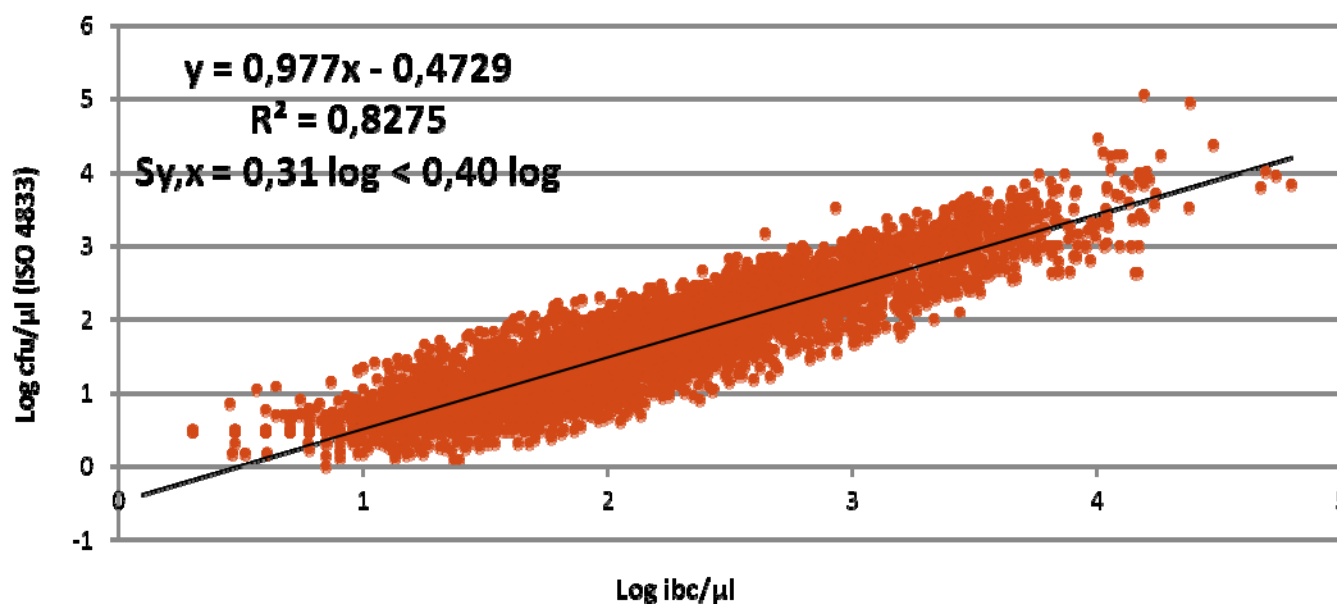
# BENTL INSTRUME

## BactoCount IBC: A highly standardized method for international Results Equivalence

### BactoCount vs ISO 4833 European Conversion Equation

7706 raw milk samples analyzed over 10 years

22 BactoCount, 11 EU Countries







# BactoCount IBC: A highly standardized method

## ISO 17043 Accredited International Proficiency Test (IBC)

September 2016 RT:

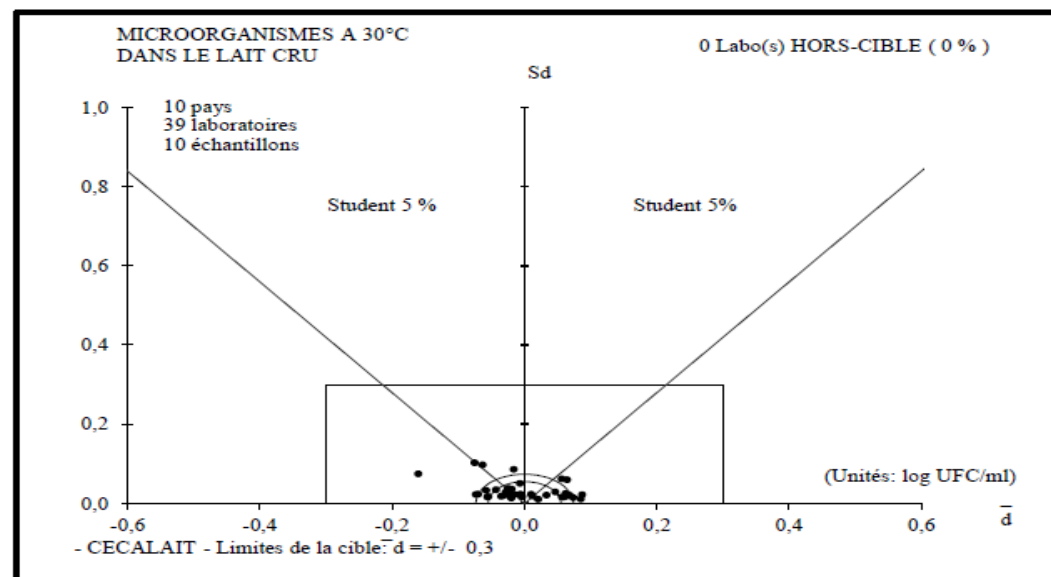
- 39 BactoCount
- 10 countries
- 0% lab. outside target

$S_r = 0,017 \ll 0,09 \log^* (5x)$   
 $S_R = 0,064 \ll 0,16 \log^* (2,5x)$

➡ BactoCount fully complies with ISO 16140\*  
 ➡ BactoCount Reproducibility within ISO 16140\* Repeatability

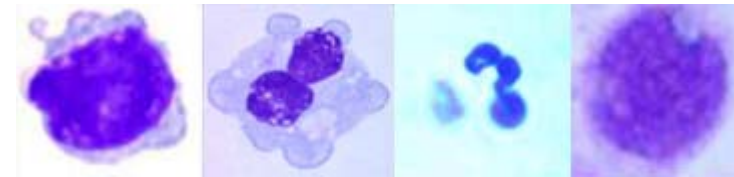
Over 350 participating laboratories in 2016

Figure 2 : JUSTESSE - Evaluation des performances individuelles (voir le tableau I).  
 ACCURACY - Evaluation of the individual performances (to see table I).



Number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Mean
N	39	39	38	39	38	39	39	39	38	39	
Mean	5,29	5,75	5,06	4,83	5,27	5,56	5,13	5,46	4,24	4,95	
Sr	0,01	0,02	0,01	0,02	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,03	0,02	0,017
SR	0,07	0,06	0,05	0,05	0,05	0,07	0,06	0,07	0,09	0,06	0,064





## WORLDWIDE EQUIVALENCE OF SOMATIC CELLS COUNT

### *Bentley Lyophilized Somatic Cells Standards*



DOM 05/2015

## CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

### Somacount SCC Lyophilized Control Sample

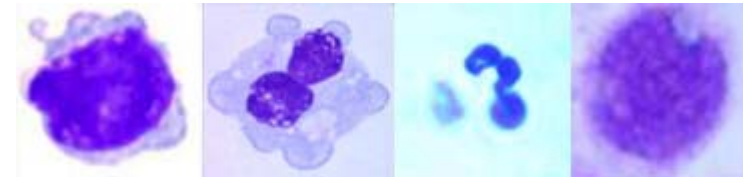
Description	Lot N° D00M05Y15	SCC Value (/µl)
SCC Control Sample	A	126 ± 10% (113-139)
SCC Control Sample	B	313 ± 10% (282-344)
SCC Control Sample	C	465 ± 10% (418-511)
SCC Control Sample	D	778 ± 10% (700-856)
SCC Control Sample	E	1019 ± 10% (917-1121)

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#### Reconstitution Procedure

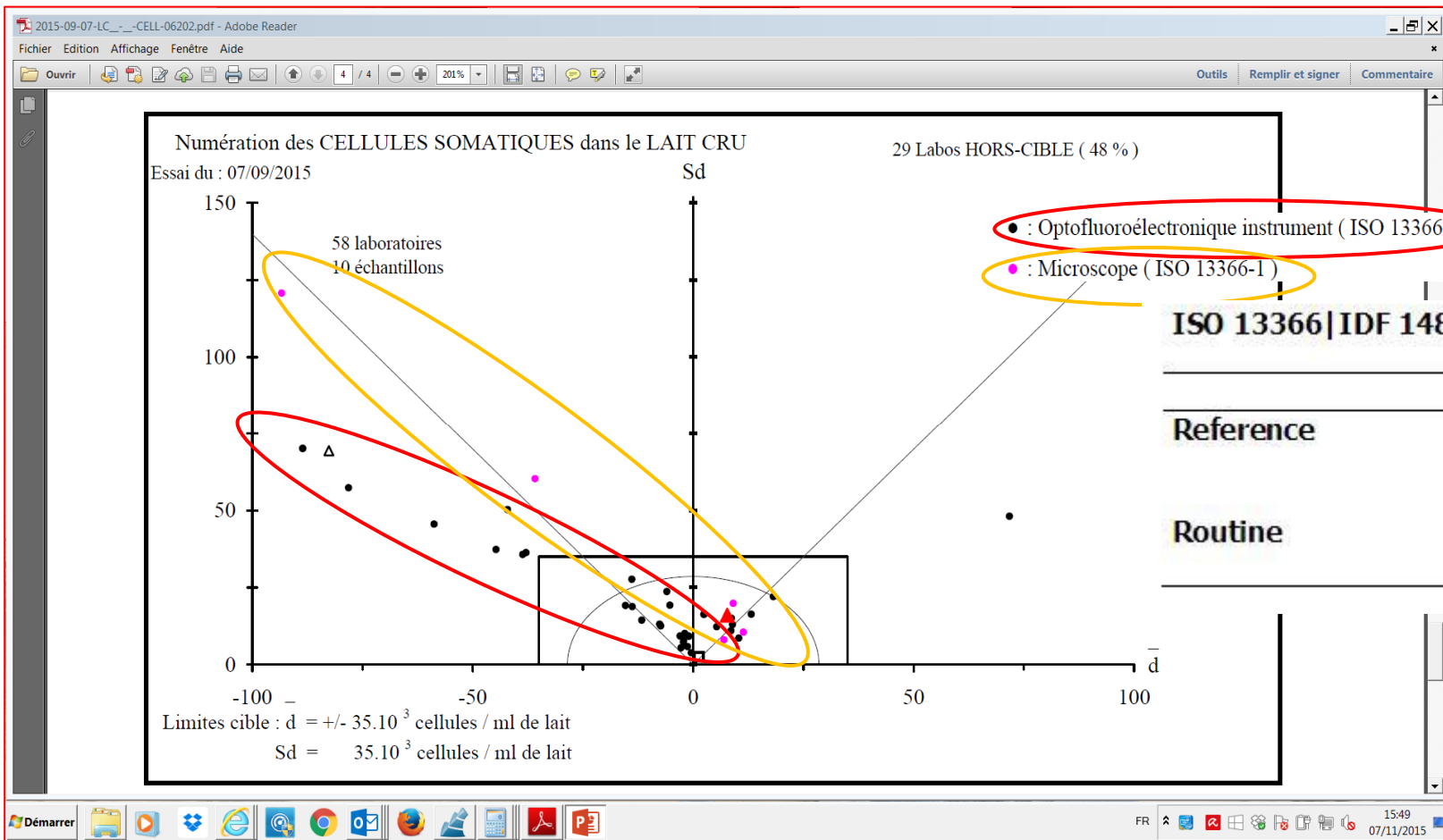
- Heat sterile water to 40°C ± 2°C in a water bath
- Remove the aluminium seal and stopper from the vial
- Add 14.0 g ± 0.2g of sterile water into the vial of lyophilized somatic cells
- Mix vigorously until lyophilisate is completely re-suspended and place it in a water bath at 40°C ± 2°C for 10 minutes
- Mix vigorously the sample until it looks like regular milk
- Analyze the reconstituted sample in duplicates within 30' after reconstitution

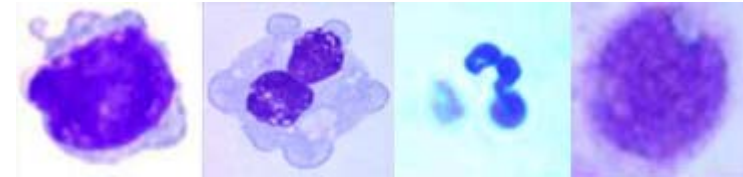
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## WORLDWIDE EQUIVALENCE OF SOMATIC CELLS COUNTS

Current situation (international RT with Reference & alternative methods)

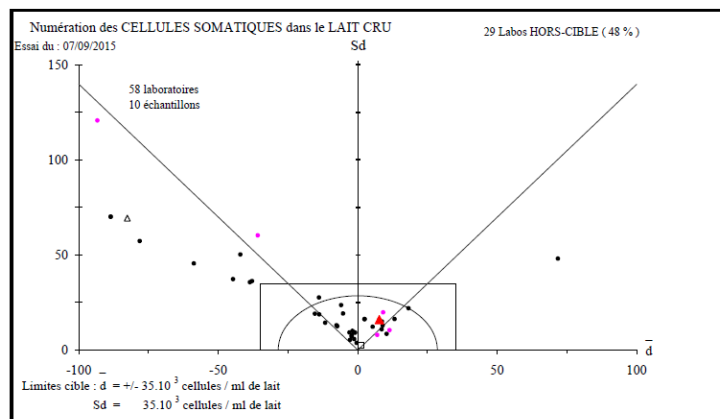




# Somacount & BactoCount

ISO 17043 Accredited International Proficiency RT (pending)

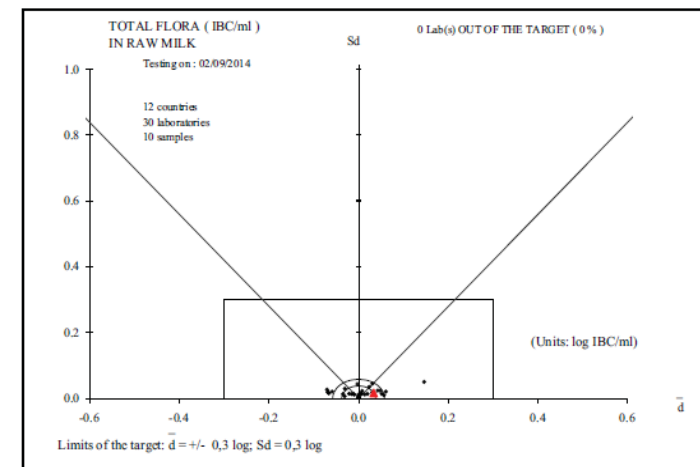
Figure 1 : JUSTESSE - Evaluation des performances globales des laboratoires



▲ : Laboratoire N° 19  
□ : "moyenne robuste" des 22 laboratoires français (Selon ISO 13 528)  
△ : "moyenne robuste" des 36 laboratoires étrangers (Selon ISO 13 528)

● : Optofluoroelectronique instrument (ISO 13366-2)  
◆ : Microscope (ISO 13366-1)  
● : Autres méthodes

Figure 1 : ACCURACY - Evaluation of the performances of laboratories



▲ : Laboratory N° 19  
● : Other laboratories

BactoCount RT

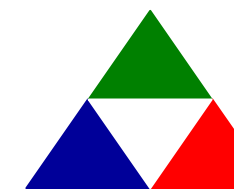
<http://www.fil-idf.org/idficar-project-group-reference-system-somatic-cell-counting/>

## **Milk Amyloid A (MAA) assay to improve subclinical mastitis diagnostic and reduce the use of intramammary antibiotics at drying off**

- Milk Amyloid A (MAA) is one of the first Acute Phase Protein produced by the epithelial cells following infection of the mammary gland
- MAA Concentration may increase up to 1000-fold following localized inflammation and has been shown decline rapidly following recovery.
- It provides a useful, more specific marker than somatic cells for the detection of both clinical and sub-clinical mastitis at a quarter level
- MAA can be used for selective dry cow therapy at quarter level with confidence and enables dairy farmers to significantly reduce the use of antibiotics at drying off



**29% reduction in the use of intramammary antibiotic therapy at quarter level at drying off (Biotek lait)**



Tridelta Development

# Amyloid A (MAA) biomarker to improve subclinical mastitis diagnostic and reduce the use of intramammary antibiotics at drying off

**Table 2.** Proposed cutoff values and resulting sensitivity (Se), specificity (Sp), and area under the curve (AUC) for the California mastitis test (CMT), somatic cell count (SCC), milk haptoglobin (MHp), milk amyloid A (MAA), serum haptoglobin (SHp), and serum amyloid A (SAA) for the detection of subclinical mastitis based on bacterial culture results.

Analyte	Cutoff	Se (95% CI)	Sp (95% CI)	AUC (95% CI)
CMT	>1	82.1 (73.4–88.8)	94.1 (88.2–97.6)	0.965 (0.915–0.989) <sup>a,b</sup>
SCC ( × 1000 cells/mL)	>130	89.6 (82.2–94.7)	72.0 (63.0–79.9)	0.948 (0.894–0.980) <sup>a,c</sup>
MHp (mg/L)	>3.9	90.6 (83.3–95.4)	68.6 (59.5–76.9)	0.886 (0.817–0.935) <sup>c,d</sup>
MAA (mg/L)	>16.4	90.6 (83.3–95.4)	98.3 (94.0–99.7)	0.998 (0.967–1.000) <sup>b</sup>
SHp (g/L)	>0.05	90.0 (76.3–97.1)	64.43 (54.7–71.6)	0.782 (0.713–0.841)
SAA (mg/L)	>159.1	90.0 (76.3–97.1)	72.1 (61.4–81.2)	0.836 (0.759–0.896) <sup>d</sup>

Analytes with common superscript letters are not significant differently from each other. CI, confidence interval.

## Acute phase proteins in the diagnosis of bovine subclinical mastitis

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Natural Clinical Mastitis		
Sensitivity	Specificity	Reference
93.0%	100%	Eckersall et al. 2001

Natural Subclinical Mastitis		
Sensitivity	Specificity	Reference
90.6%	98.3%	Safi et al. 2009
92.3%	92.1%	Shirazi-Beheshti et al.



# CombiFTS complete automation & standardisation with the ILAS3000

**INTELLITECH**  
AUTOMATION

**BENTLEY**  
INSTRUMENTS

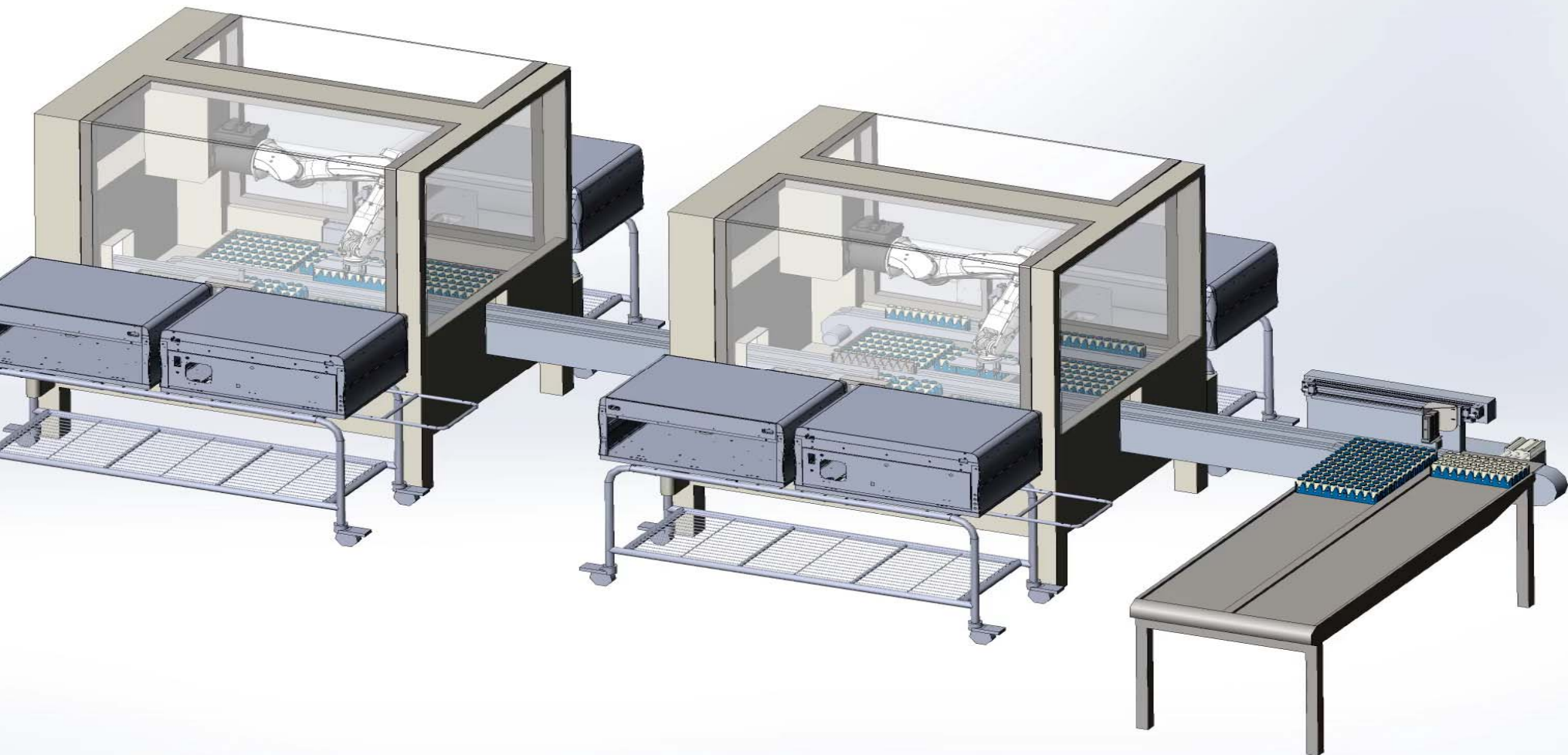
Key CombiFTS ILAS 600  
ILAS 3000

Standardization & automation  
Sample handling:

- Identification (RFID, Barcode...)
- Samples heated up to 40°C
- Then
- Placed under instrument pipette
- Placed in their original position
- Ability to sort the samples



# S3500 Combi Automation (rack based)





# BactoCount automation & standardisation the ILAS4000



## Bentley BactoCount ILAS 4000 (refrigerated)

standardization & automation  
samples handling:

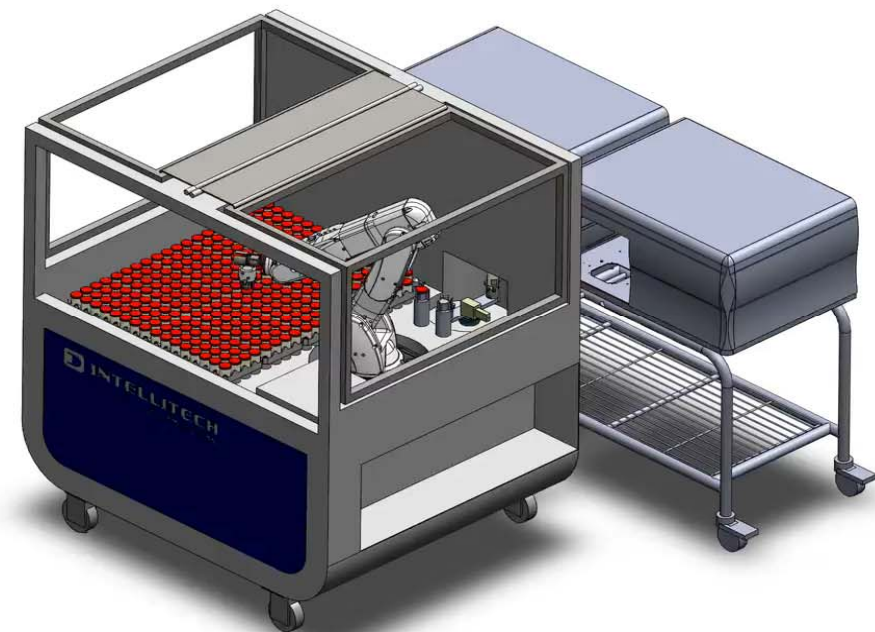
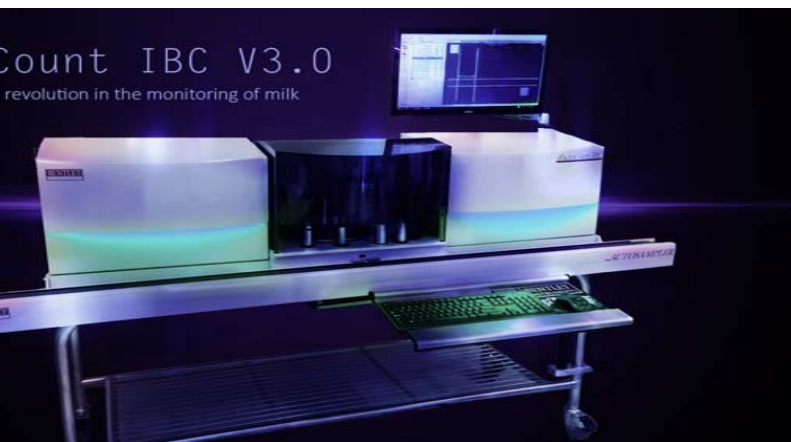
Identification (RFID, Barcode...)

taken

capped/pierced

placed under instrument pipette

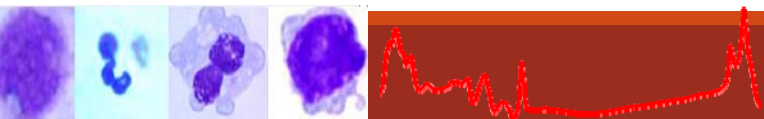
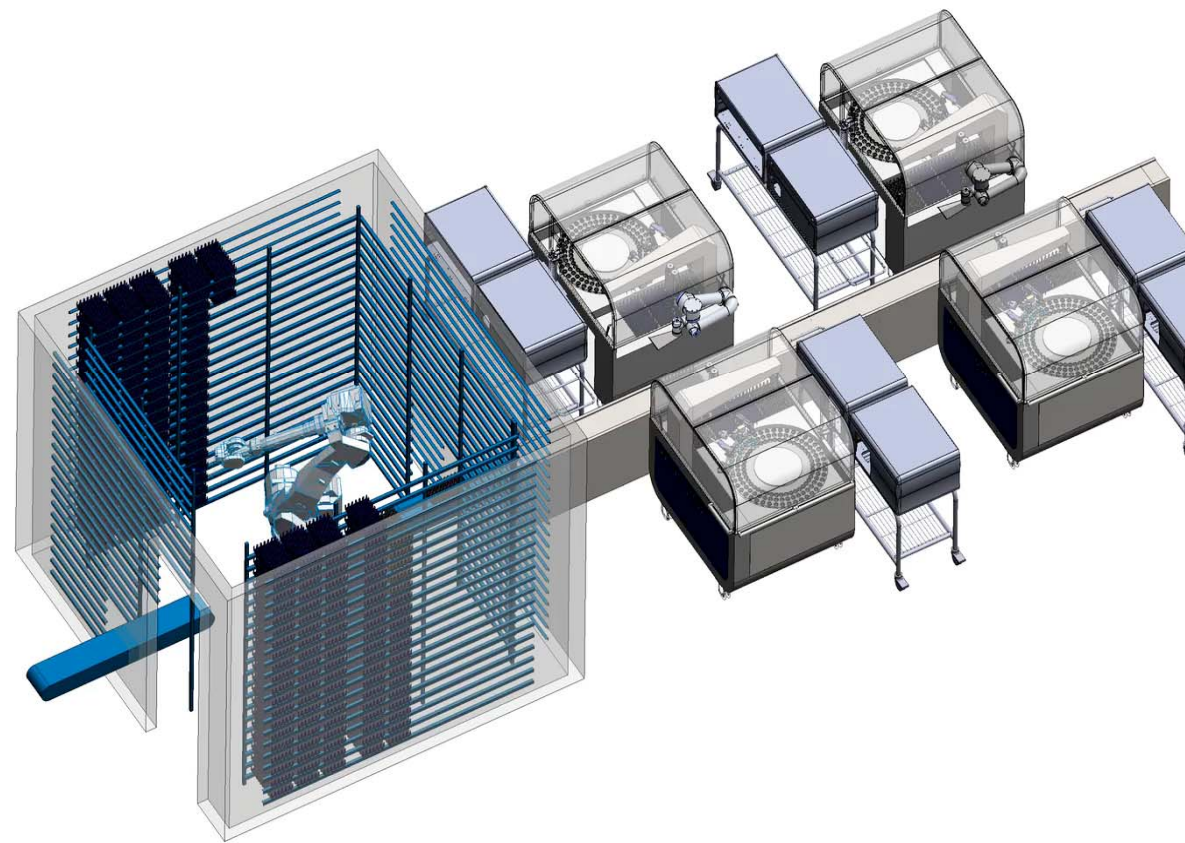
placed in their original position



# Complete Laboratory Automation Standardisation

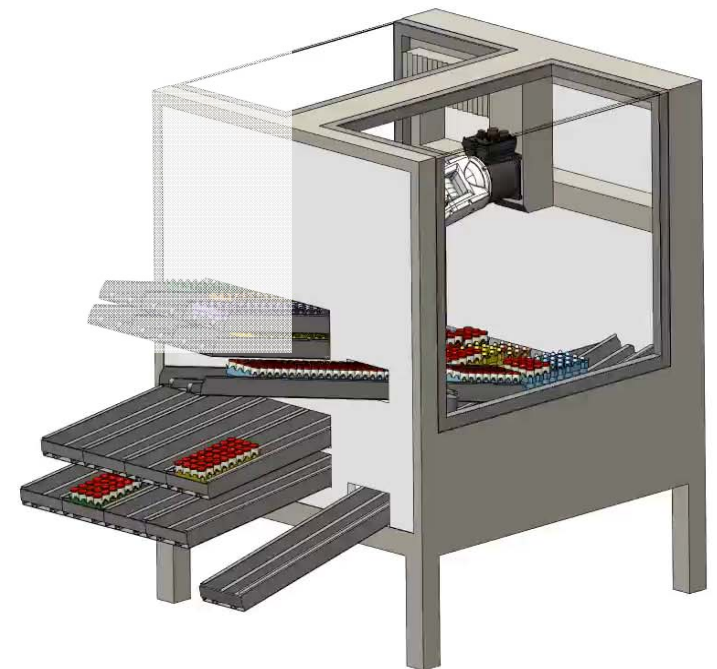
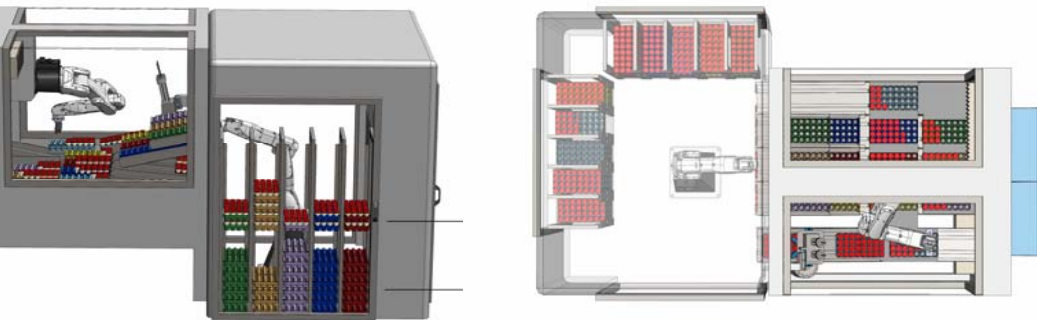
• Samples trays placed on conveyor system  
• Trays sorted out and stored at 4°C  
• Trays transferred to available BactoCount/CombiFTS  
• Trays loaded/unload automatically on instruments

• Complete standardization of samples handling  
• Complete standardization of operating conditions  
• Optimized laboratory throughput



# Plates Sorting automation

Plates automatically sorted out for secondary testing  
Up to 6 parameters  
Up to 8000 vials sorted in 3 hours  
Plates maintained at 4°C during the process  
Color used to identify tests type





# Worldwide MIR Spectra Standardization

**Bentley IR Cell and Spectra standardization**

**A new highly effective and simple approach (patent pending)**

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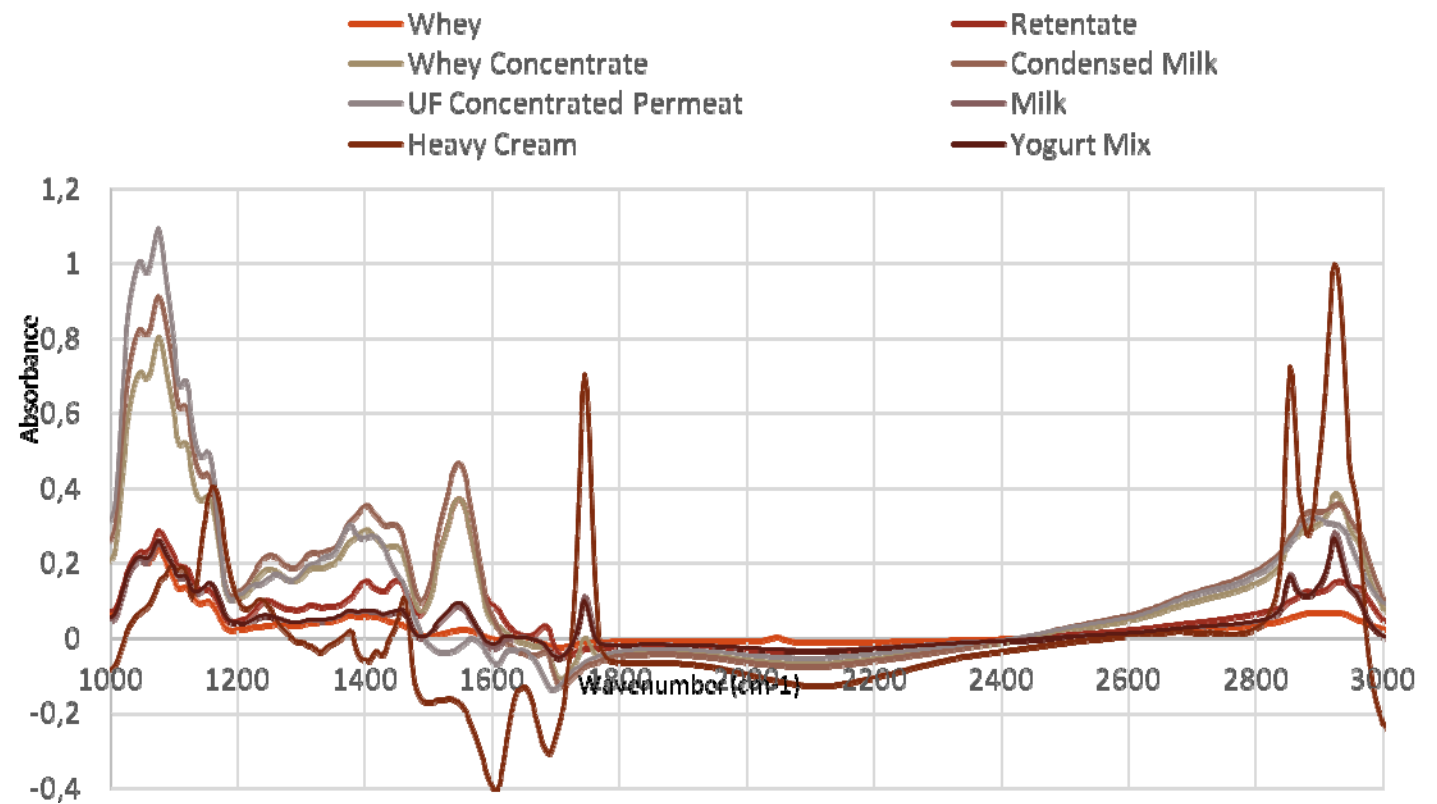
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# Bentley FTS/DairySpec

## Milk Components Absorption wavebands



# Bentley IR Cell and Spectra standardization

## Why?

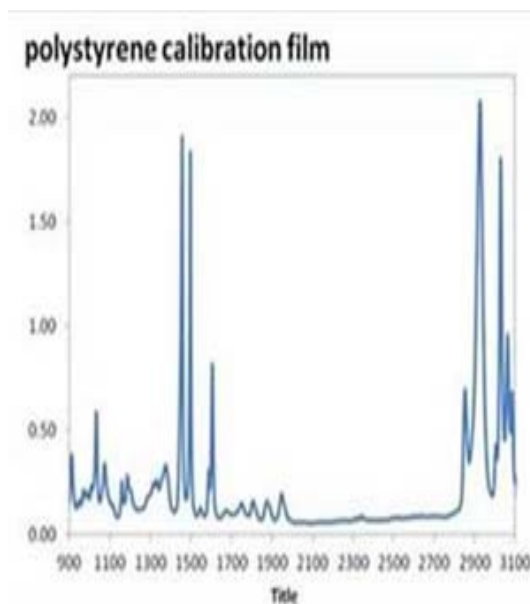
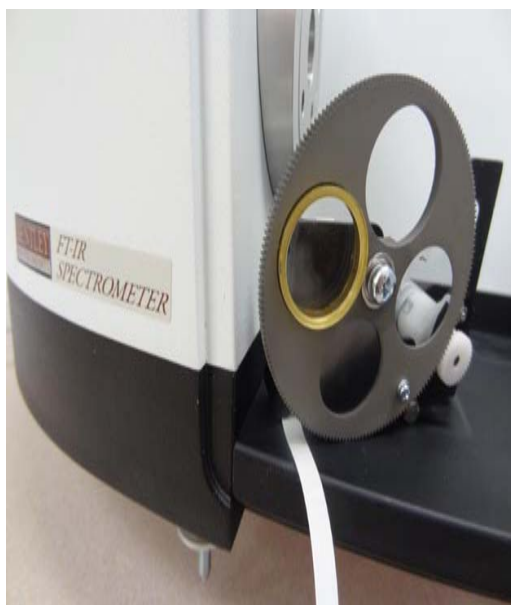
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- Interferometer laser frequency can vary over time ➡ spectrum x axis shift
- Flow cell path length can increase over time ➡ spectrum y axis shift

Thus, spectra standardization is very important:

- For optimum calibration transfer between instruments
- For worldwide results equivalence
- For results/calibration stability (Slope/Bias)
- To reduce calibration development cost (centralized calibrations)
- For implementation of qualitative spectral analysis

## 1 - Standardization of spectrum x axis with a polystyrene film to calibrate optimally interferometer laser frequency



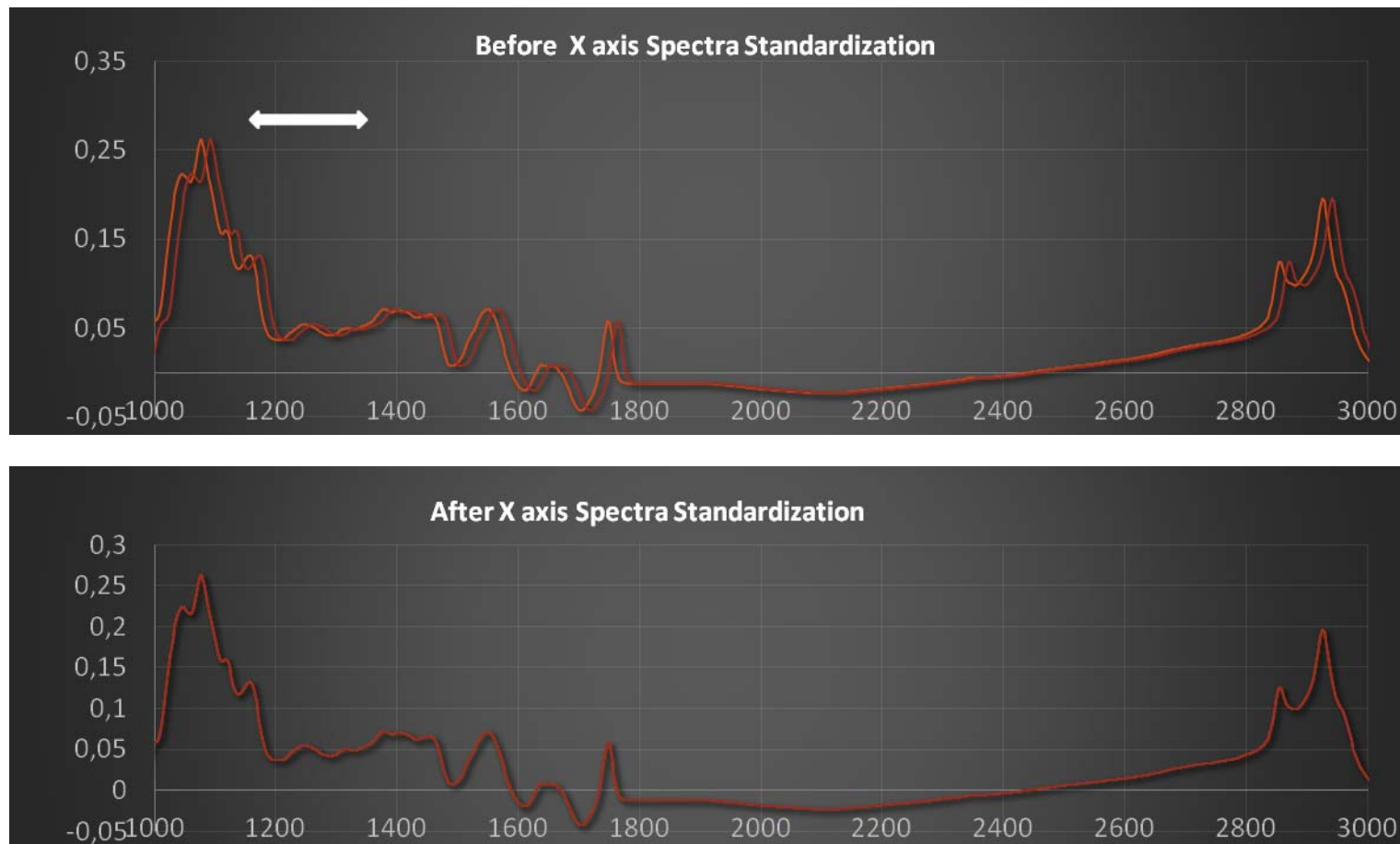
### ■Example: Polystyrene Test

- [4:30 PM Central Daylight Time] Polystyrene Test: STARTED
- Background Scan Completed
- Polystyrene Scan Completed
- Peak 3082.22 @:3082.18 cm<sup>-1</sup>
- Peak 3060.14 @:3060.12 cm<sup>-1</sup>
- Peak 1601.38 @:1601.37 cm<sup>-1</sup>
- Peak 1583.04 @:1583.24 cm<sup>-1</sup>
- Peak 1028.42 @:1028.59 cm<sup>-1</sup>
- [4:31 PM Central Daylight Time] Polystyrene Test: PASSED
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(internationally recognized NIST standard)

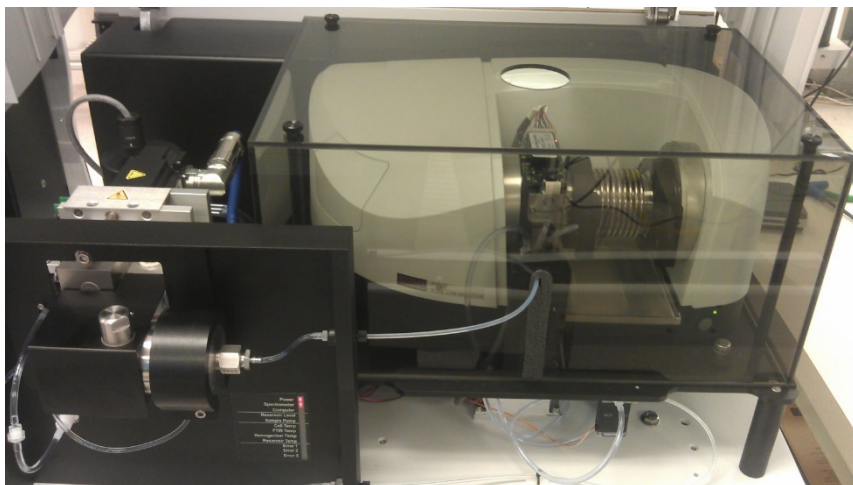


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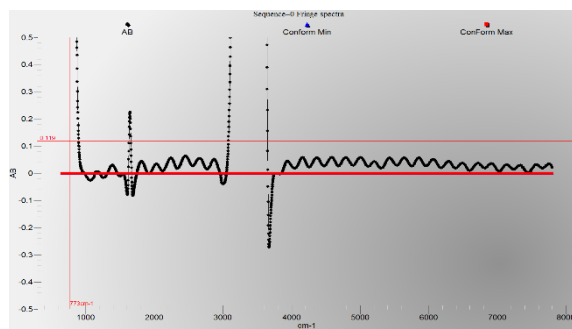
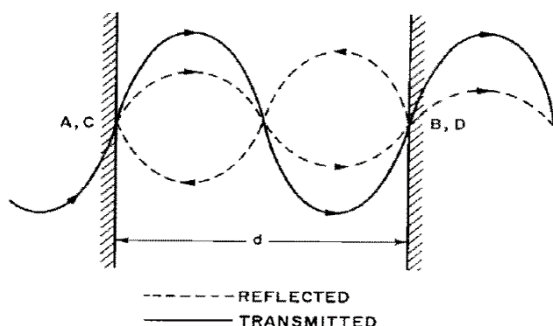


## 2 - Standardization of spectrum y axis (absorbance) by measuring very accurately and in real time the IR flow cell path length (patent pending)

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## 2 - Standardization of spectrum y axis (absorbance) by measuring very accurately and in real time the IR flow cell thickness (patent pending)

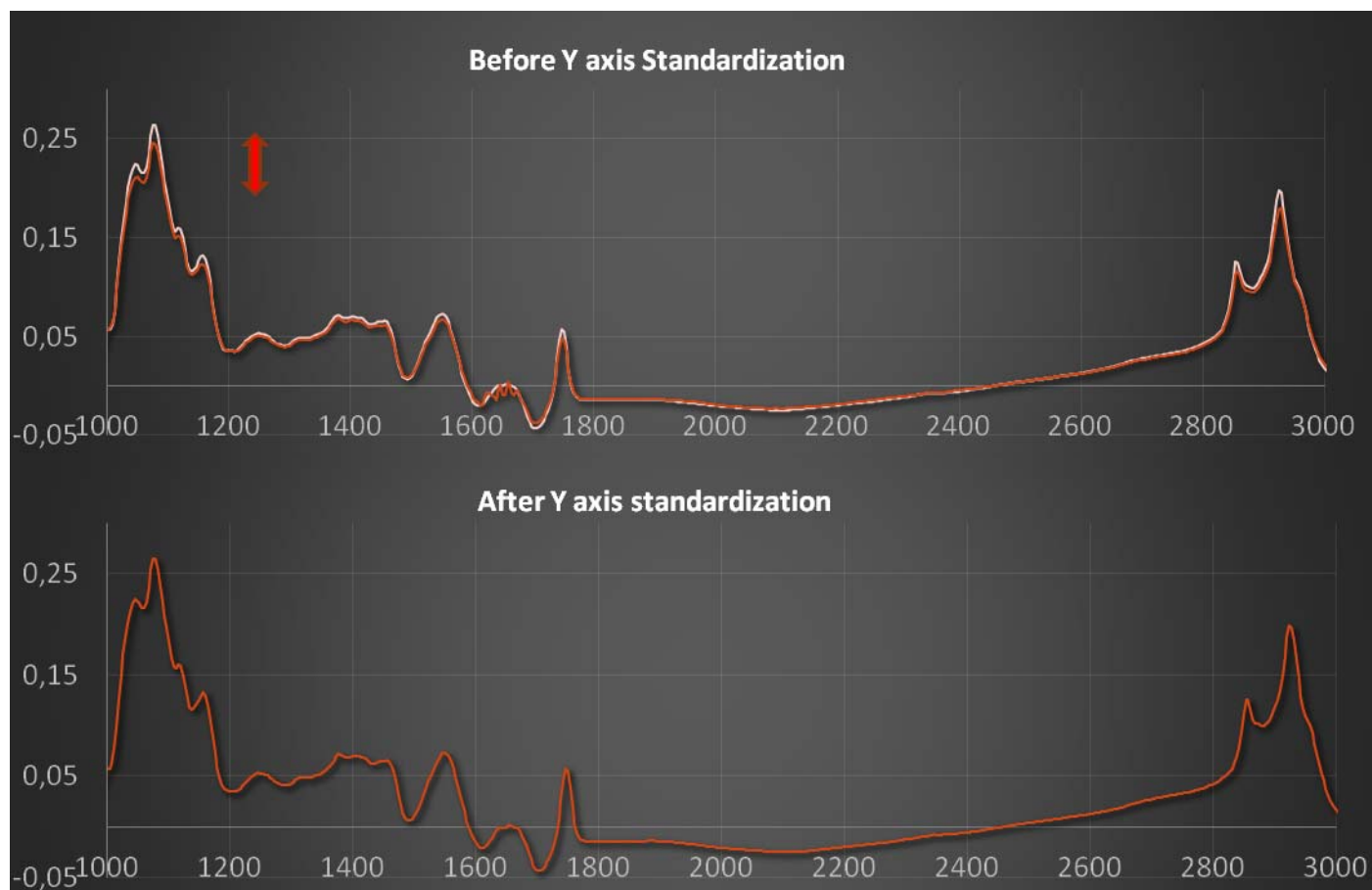


### Summary Report

- Repeat 1 = 36.08468
- Repeat 2 = 36.08663
- Repeat 3 = 36.08227
- Repeat 4 = 36.08309
- Repeat 5 = 36.08712
- Repeat 6 = 36.08846
- Repeat 7 = 36.08889
- Repeat 8 = 36.09445
- Repeat 9 = 36.08202
- Repeat 10 = 36.09503

**Average Cell Space calculated = 36.0873u**  
**Standard deviation = 0.0046um**

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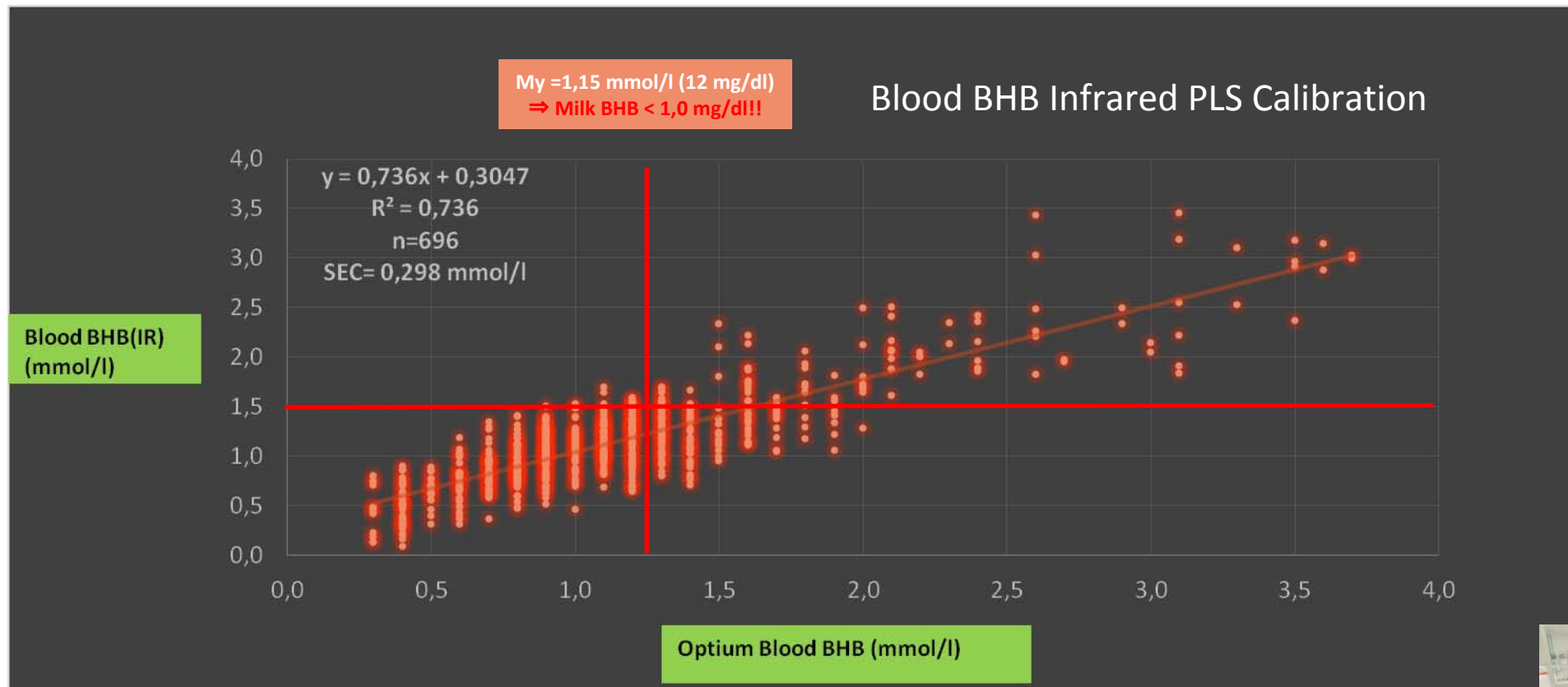
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### Why this way?

- Laser calibrated with NIST traceable films (polystyrene)
- Does not require any highly accurate liquid mixtures
- No consumable to package, store, maintain or process
- Automatic execution, no user dependent operations
- Can be performed as often as necessary
- **A very reliable, easy to implement, and cost effective solution**

# Ketosis detection in DHIA testing

A new global metabolic infrared spectral approach to predict Cows Blood BHB from their Milk Spectra (patent pending)





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Thank you for your attention!

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