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Introduction

Globalization of laboratory operations requires standardized practices for operating automated liquid handling systems (ALHS), communicating test protocols, as well as analysing and reporting of performance parameters. IWA 15:2015 was developed to provide standardized terminology, test protocols, and analytical methods for reporting test results. The concepts developed for, and described in, IWA 15 form the foundation of the ISO 23783 series.

Specifically, this document addresses the needs of:

- users of ALHS, as a basis for calibration, verification, validation, optimization, and routine testing of trueness and precision;
- manufacturers of ALHS, as a basis for quality control, communication of acceptance test specifications and conditions, and issuance of manufacturer's declarations (where appropriate);
- test houses and other bodies, as a basis for certification, calibration, and testing.

The tests established in this document should be carried out by trained personnel.