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EP Evaluator Overview

Overview and Getting Started with New experiments

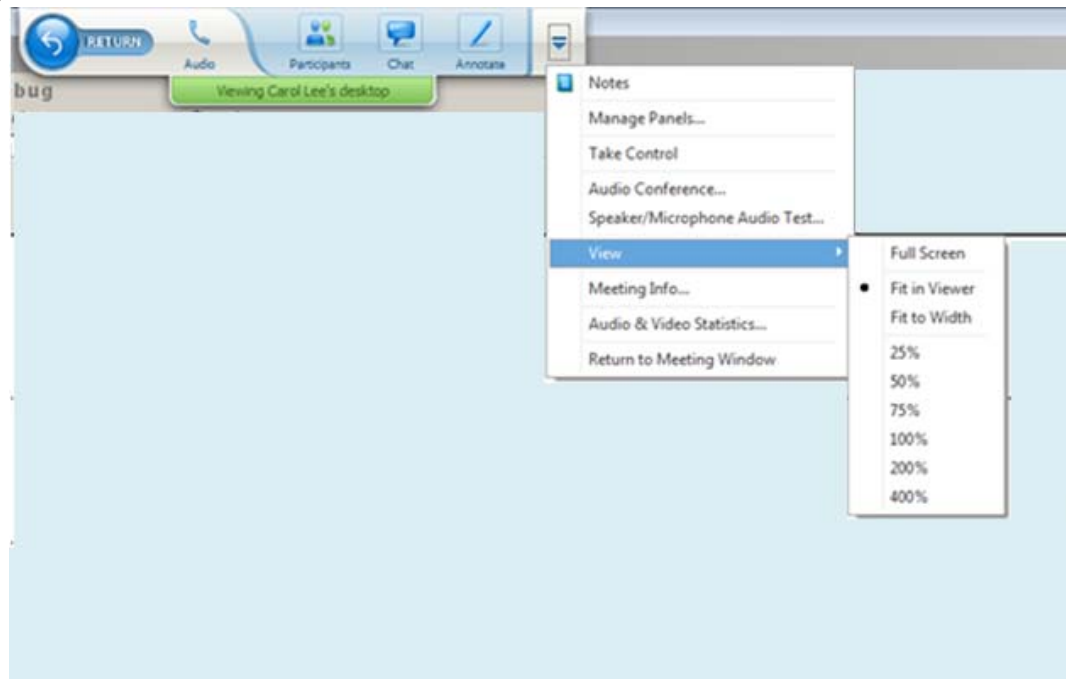
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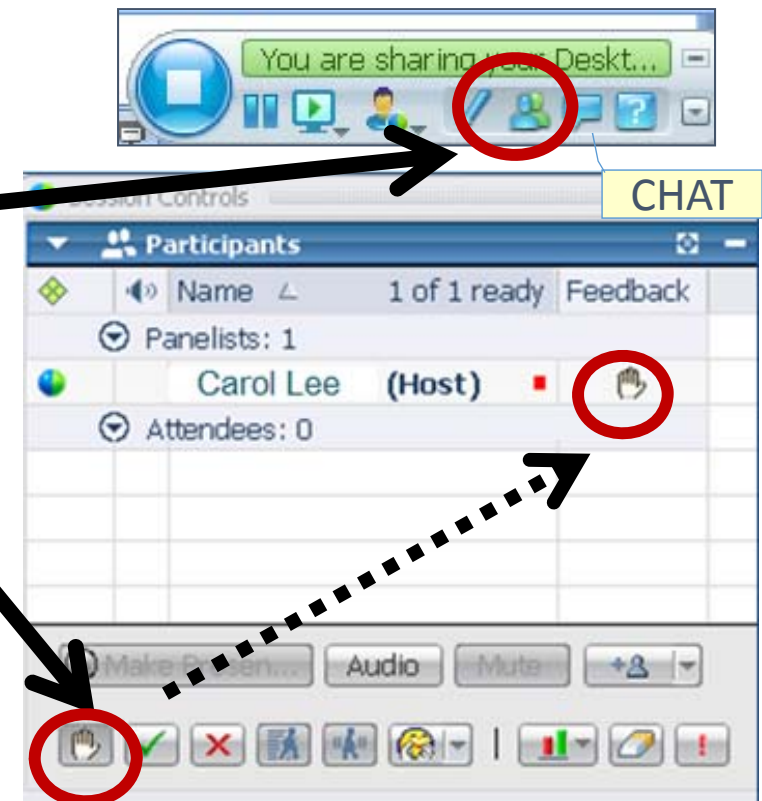
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- Click the hand again to clear.
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Session Objectives

- Create new experiments
- Enter data 2 of the 10 ways
 1. Manual entry
 2. Paste data into an experiment
- Print Reports
- Describe the STAT modules in EE 11.0
 - 30 for the standard version
 - 10 for the CLIA and COFRAC versions
 - We will review AMC, 2IC, MIC, QMC, LIN, SP
- Make and Manage Projects

FLOW

- Summary slides
- Features and flow chart
- Start EE
- Explore and create experiments
- Menu Bar & Preferences
- Projects
- RRE and copy/paste
- Rest of the Modules

What is EP Evaluator

- What is EP Evaluator and it's intended use for customers
 - EP Evaluator Software is Quality Assurance Software for the Laboratory. The purpose of the Statistical Modules is to provide reports based on specific laboratory experiments that meet CAP and CLIA '88 requirements for validating and evaluating methods. It satisfies all CLIA and CAP requirements for validation and verification of new methods being installed in a lab, and also for the ongoing quality assurance, calibration verification and harmonization of “equivalent “ methods
- The Lab Management modules are intended as a bonus for lab managers.
 - Inventory management can be used to help manage laboratory supplies. It doesn't integrate with supply chain management or the instruments directly.
 - The” Incident tracking”module is part of the lab's QAPI process, and doesn't deal with instrument results per se,
 - The Incident Tracking Database represents the Error Identification phase of a laboratory QAPI program as defined in 2003, CMS final Rule 42 CFR 482, (2003) which: Requires a “Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement (QAPI) program. And is a Condition of participation in the Medicare reimbursement program.

Pulling data from Instrument Manager

- How does it integrate with Middleware and what data does it pull?
 - o EP Evaluator can connect with Instrument manager via ODBC connectivity to download specified data directly into EP Evaluator to create the targeted module experiment.
- Is this only a feature in the Professional version?
 - This feature available in the data capture version, and the professional version.
- Is there any Patient Health Information contained in it?
 - EP Evaluator does not require or solicit PHI.

Documentation and Support

<http://datainnovations.com/node/255>

- the EE manual,
- Lab Stats Manual.
- the QuickStart Guide.
 - Download free to Subscription users or
 - PDFs in the physical disk set.
- Context sensitive HELP is part of the program.



The screenshot shows the Data Innovations website interface. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links for HOME, ABOUT US, PRODUCTS, SERVICES, SUPPORT, NEWS & EVENTS, and CAREERS. The main content area features a sidebar with a tree view of product documentation, including Instrument Manager™ Overview, Available Drivers, Hardware, Laboratory Production Manager, LPM (English), EP Evaluator®, Allowable Total Error Table, Reference Interval Tables, Web Activation, EP Evaluator® On-Line, French Website (en Français), LPM (français), EP Evaluator® (français), and Instrument Manager (français). The main content area is titled "EP Evaluator" with the tagline "QUALITY ASSURANCE... SIMPLIFIED". Below the title, it states "Your path to simplified Quality Assurance is as easy as 1-2-3." and "Follow the steps below to download EP Evaluator 10.0 build 517." The steps are presented in three red boxes: STEP 1: DOWNLOAD EP Evaluator SOFTWARE (with a "Click Here" link), STEP 2: FREE DOCUMENTATION - Where to begin? (with a "Click Here" link), and STEP 3: FREE TRAINING - Want to learn more? (with a "Click Here" link).

EP Evaluator Features

- Clinical Laboratory Compliance Toolkit
 - Meets all CLIA '88 and CAP requirements for validating and evaluating methods.
www.cms.hhs.gov/clia
 - New Method Validation / Verification
 - Ongoing Quality Assurance, Performance Verification, Harmonization
- 30 Statistical Modules including 8 CLSI documents
- 4 Lab Management Modules

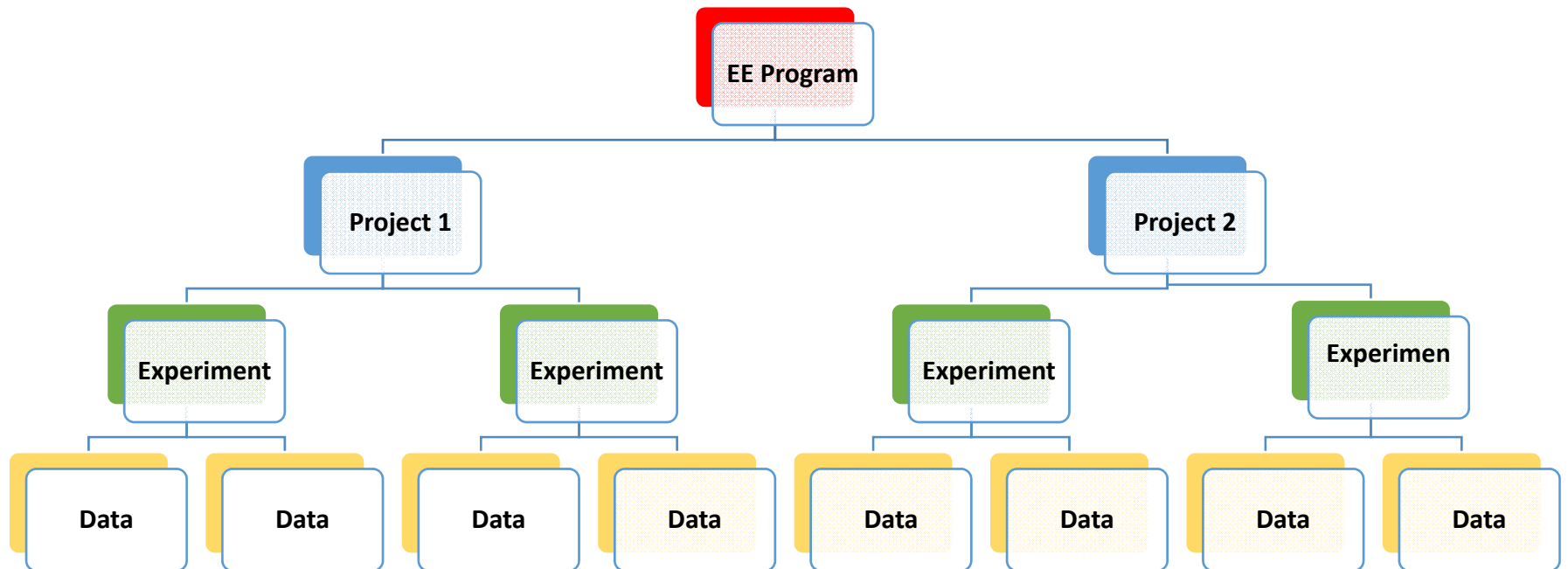
- **Vendor Tools**
 - FDA submissions
 - Reagent Quality Control
 - Customer Installations with instrument interfaces

- **Allowable error as pass/fail criteria**
 - Relates data quality to the lab's allowable error specification
 - $TEA = 3 * \text{Random Err (Rea)} + \text{bias (SEa)}$
 - The +/- 3 SD model is used by CLIA, CAP, NYS and means that 99.7% of the data is within the TEA limit (error rate of 3 in 1000) A 3 sigma process

EP Evaluator Concepts

- **Statistical Module** – Does calculations and reports for a specific type of experiment - Like method comparison.
- **Project** – – a database folder containing a collection of Experiments from one or more Statistical Modules
- **Experiment** – one set of data collected for a specific purpose for one analyte
- **Instrument** = method (think outside the box!)
- **(RRE) Rapid Results Entry** – mechanisms to efficiently enter data into EE
- **“Policies” = Policy Definitions** – A MASTER template of parameters used in RRE. Policy definitions in a project autofill the key parameters needed to define the experiment.

EE Hierarchy

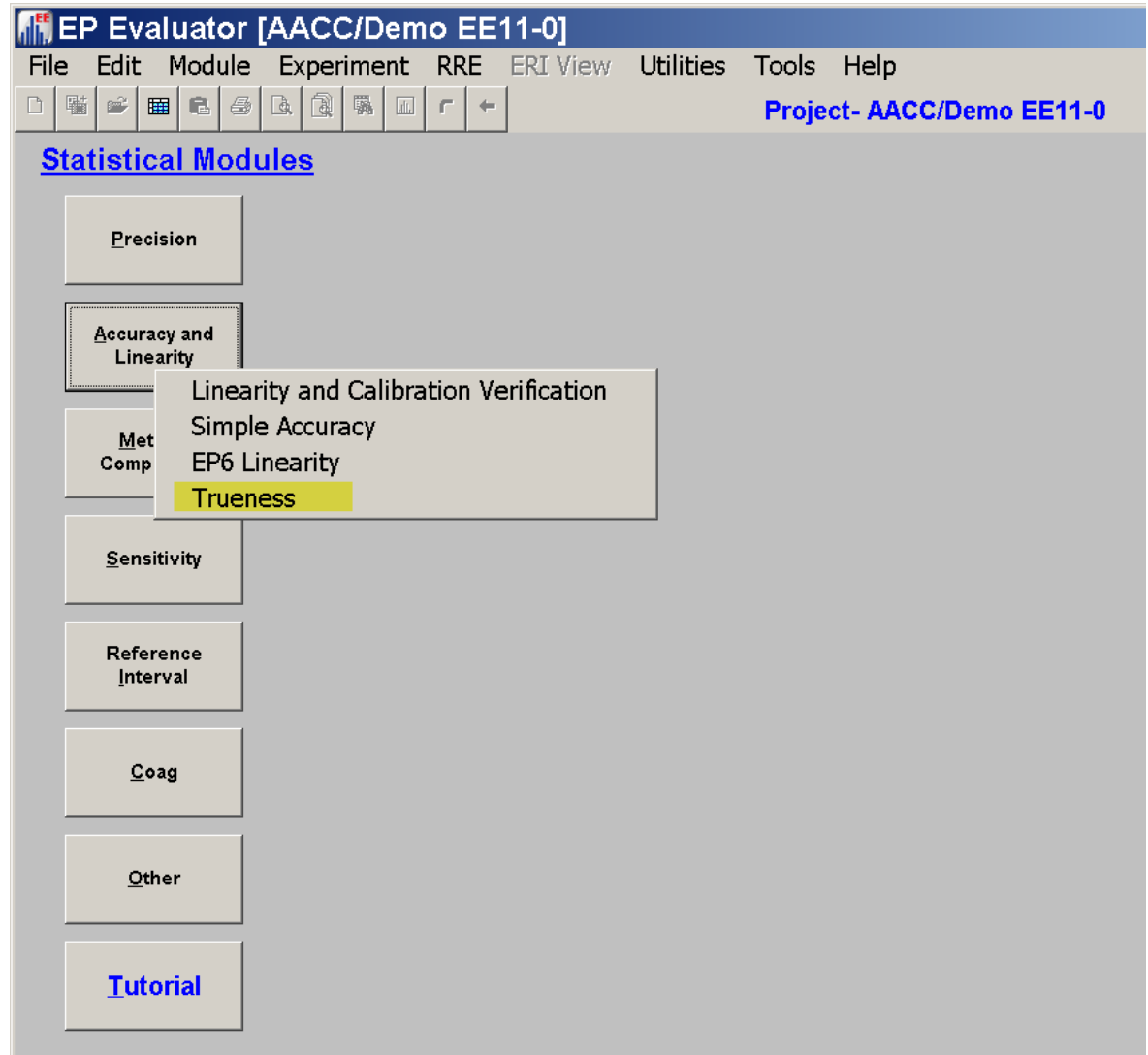


EP Evaluator Pass / Fail criteria

- **Some modules grade the results as Pass/Fail**
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Statistical Module Screen

- Main screen
- 34 modules (10 in CLIA and COFRAC versions)
- Tutorial - a very basic overview –



30 Statistical Modules

- Precision (2)
- Accuracy and Linearity (4)
- Method Comparison (7)
- Sensitivity (2)
- Reference Intervals, ROC (3)
- COAG (4)
- Carryover
- Interference
- Stability
- Other (6)

What module to use - 1

- New method Validation Verification V/V
 - AMC: Alternate Method Comparison AMC
 - Accuracy vs older method
 - Verify agreement at Medical Decision points – verify old reference intervals can be used for new method
 - 2IC
 - Harmonization of “equivalent” methods
 - Lot to lot verification
 - Simple Precision (SP)
 - Repeatability within run
 - * Complex Precision (CLSI EP05 and EP15) *Not in EE CLIA version
 - Reproducibility within Instrument / between run / between day
 - LIN: Calibration Verification LIN - CalVer
 - Calibration Verification (accuracy and Reportable range compared to a set of at least 3 true value standards)
 - Linearity of related materials

What module to use - 2

- New method Validation Verification V/V
 - QMC
 - Method comparison of qualitative / semi quant methods
 - Repeatability of Qualitative methods
 - * MIC – Multiple Instrument Comparison
 - Harmonization of up to 30 methods, e.g. POCT devices
- Reference intervals or cutoff points
 - VRI – Verify that new method ref interval is statistically the same as old
 - * ERI - When VRI fails, Establish Ref Interval for analyte
 - * ROC – establish clinical cutoff points
 - INR Geo mean & VRI verify new lots of PT reagent
 - * Not in EE CLIA version

EP Evaluator Features : Clinical Chemistry concepts not in generic SW packages

- Beyond p, “t”, Chi2 and R2
- Allowable error (TEA)
 - Clinical linearity
 - Accuracy, reportable range
- Method comparisons
 - Error boundaries TEA, conf limits, binomial
 - OLS, Passing Bablok or Deming regressions
 - Bias and Bland Altman Plots
- Trueness and Uncertainty
- Sensitivity / specificity
 - LOQ Functional sensitivity
 - LOB Analytical sensitivity
 - Truth tables in HMC and QMC
- Carryover
- Reference Intervals and ROC plots
- CLSI protocols and algorithms - 8
 - EP5 A2 Precision
 - EP6 Linearity
 - EP7 Interference (partial)
 - EP9 A2 Method Comparison
 - EP10 Preliminary Evaluation of Methods
 - EP12 Qualitative Method Comparison
 - C28a Establishment of Reference Intervals
 - GP10 ROC Curves

Performance Evaluation Goals

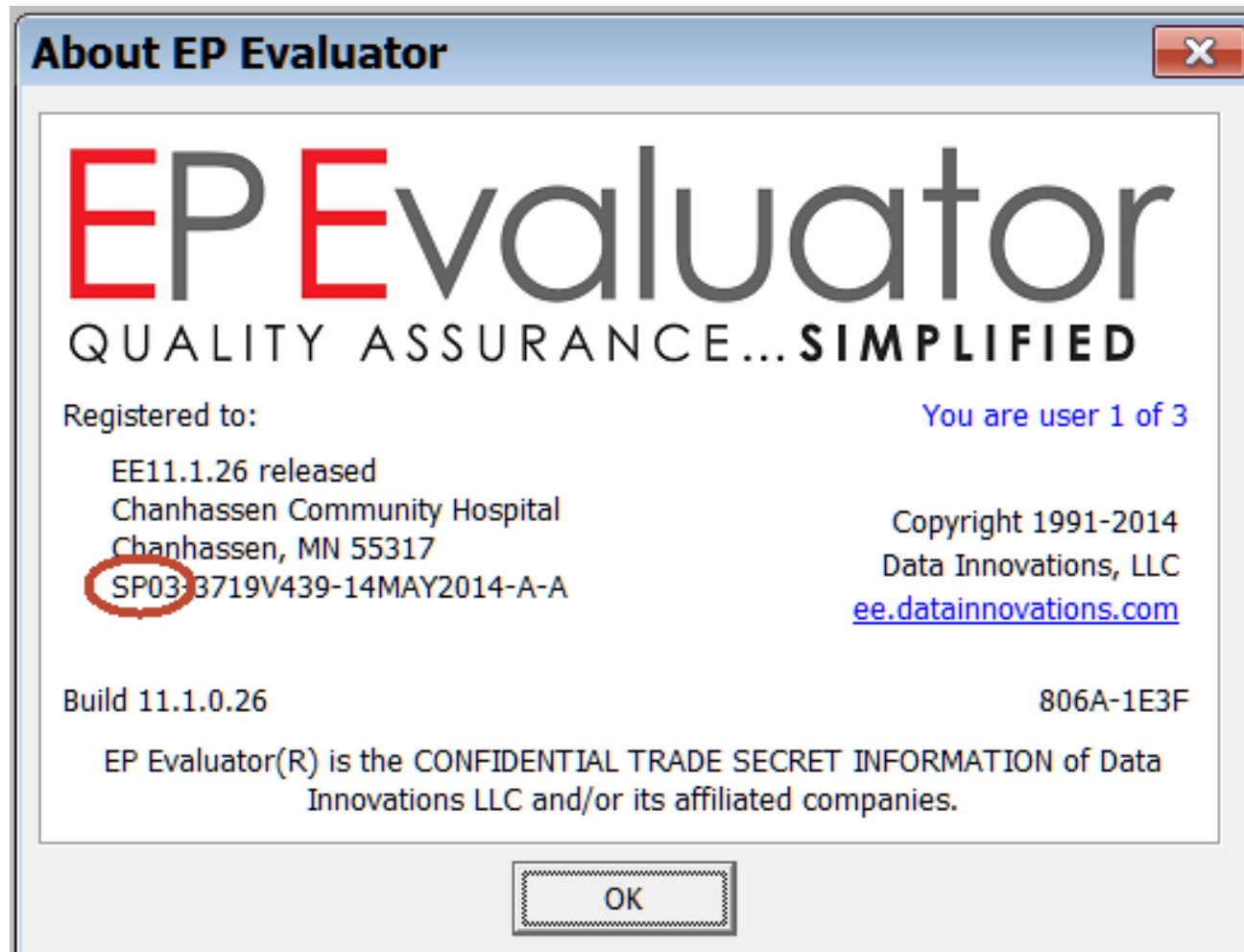
- **To compare the experimental data to *performance goals*.**
 - Proficiency testing (PT) limits aka:
 - **Total Allowable Error (TEa)**
 - Lab’s stricter pass/fail criteria
- To be able to make a statement about the results of a single patient specimen submitted for testing.
 - **“This glucose test result is expected to be within 6 mg/dL or 10% of the true result 99.7% of the time”**



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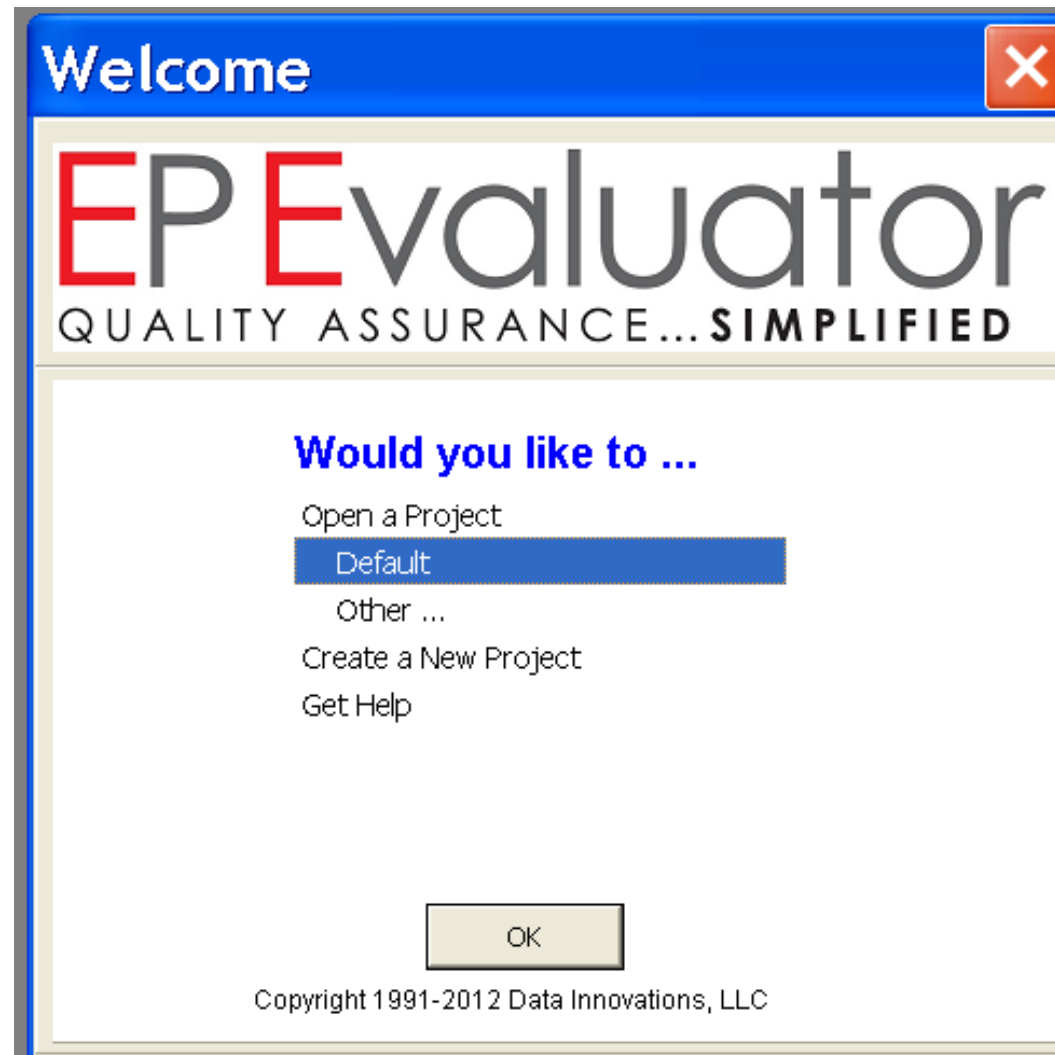
Starting EP Evaluator

The About screen



Go to HELP>About to get back to this screen at any time

The Welcome Screen



Open Project



- Project
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 - [-] ExamplePolicies
 - [-] HMC Example
 - [-] Sample Data
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 - [+] Test Hep

OK

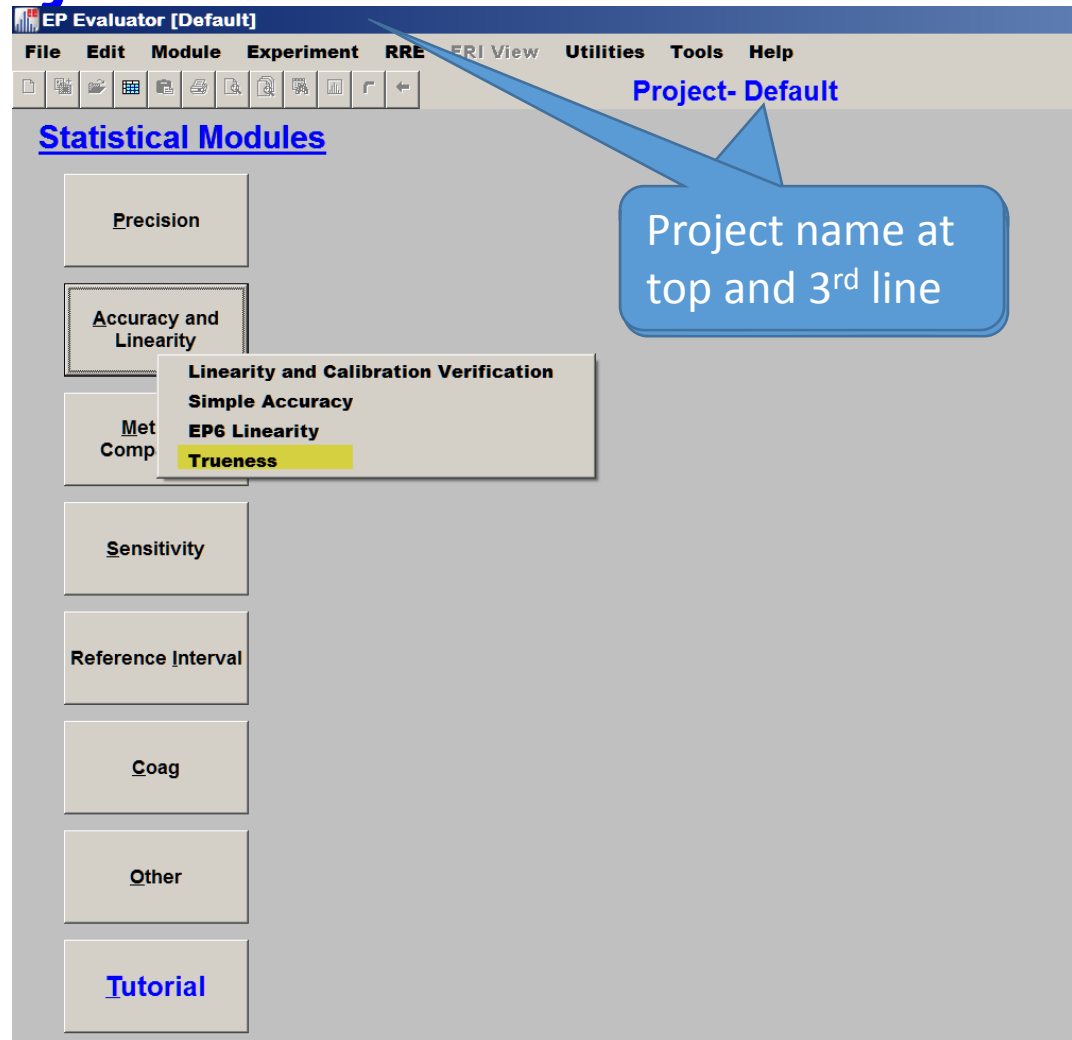
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Help

Refresh

Project Name

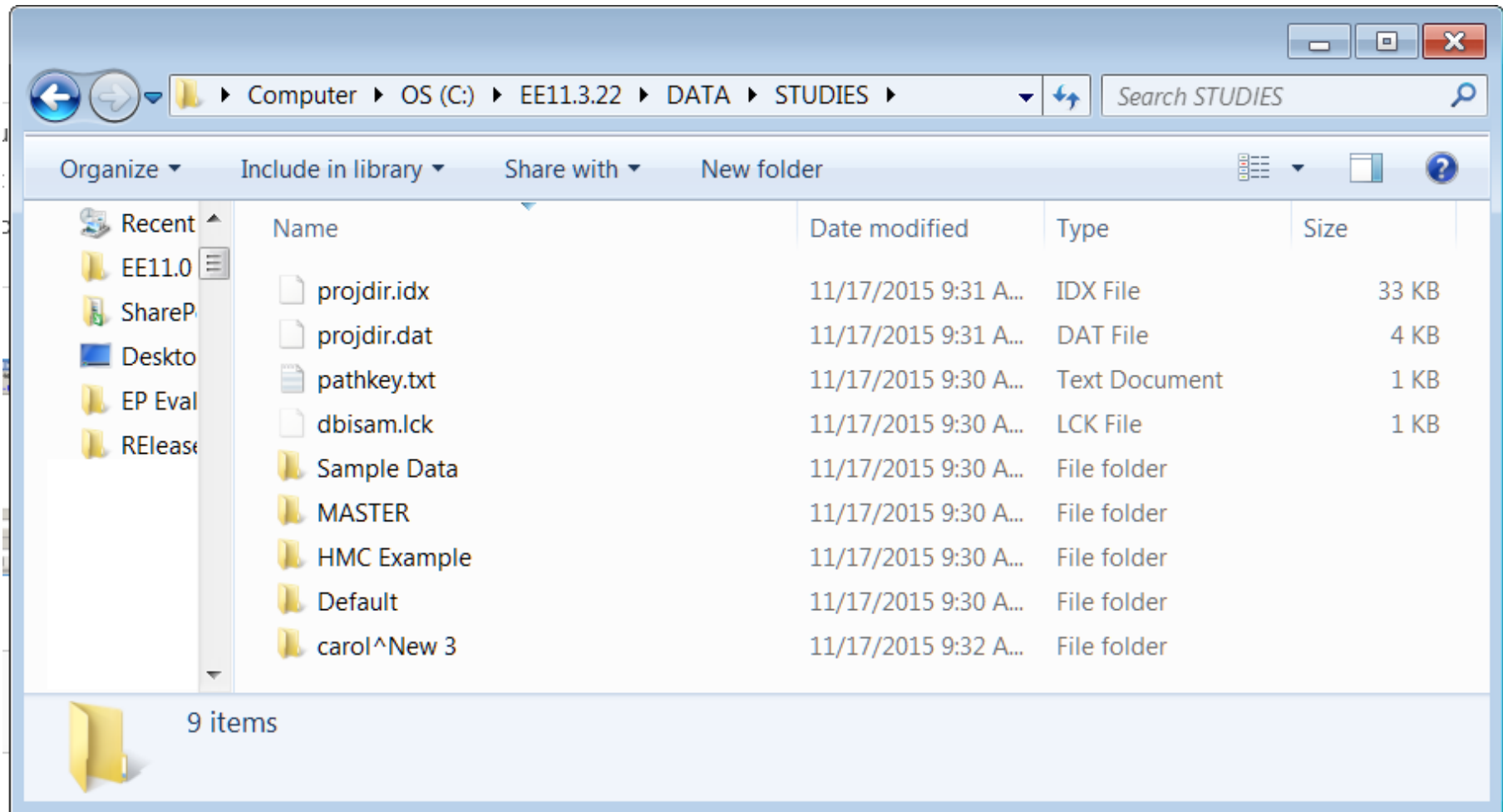
- Main screen
- Project name at top and 3rd line



Project

- A database folder containing your collection of Experiments for one or more Statistical Modules
 - Every experiment belongs to a project.
 - Projects can **only** be opened in EE.
- EP Evaluator comes with:
 - 3 projects with sample data:
 - “Default”, “Sample Data” and “HMC example”
 - 2 projects with RRE examples
 - “Example Policies and “HMC Example”
- You can make many new projects *
- Exception: CLIA version users can only use Default and sample data. Not allowed to create new projects
- Projects stored in folders on your network or hard drive.
 - Active projects EE\data\studies
 - Archived projects EE\data\backups

Studies directory for Active projects





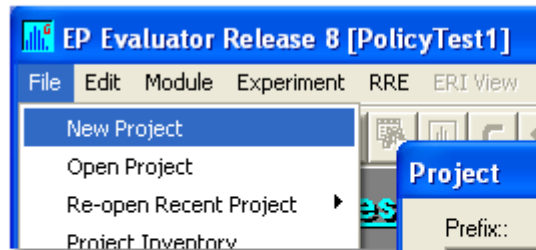
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Creating a New Project

Projects

- **Projects must be unique – a 2 part name**
- **Prefix ^ unique name**
 - Chem^“Validation for city Med Center – June 2009”
- **The prefix serves as a folder name**
 - Can Add more projects under the same prefix
- **Organized in the EE file menu by prefix.**

Creating a New Project



Project

Prefix: MyLocal

Project Name: Initial Validation 2009-01

For Client

Department: Chemistry

Institution: My Local Hospital

OK Cancel Help

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Prepared for: Chemistry -- My Local Hospital
By: Clinical Laboratory -- Kennett Community Hospital

Naming your project:

- Prefix – 12 chars:
 - User's initials or department name
- Project name - 80 char
 - Describe the activity
 - i.e., validations
 - Method comparison
 - Linearity
 - Include a date
- For Client (Optional)

Project [X]

Prefix:
CHEM

Project Name:
Method comparison DXC 4562 to DXC 4875 July 2010

For Client

Department: _____
Institution: _____

No Audit Trail

OK Cancel Help

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HELP!

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `file:///C:/EE11.2.23%20webinar/EEHelp/EEHelp.htm#Reports/why_is_my_report_stamped_prelim.htm%3FTo`. The browser's address bar also shows a tab titled "EP Evaluator - Why is my re...". The page header features the "DATA INNOVATIONS" logo with the tagline "Simple Ideas, Better Solutions". A left-hand navigation menu lists various topics, with "Why is my report stamped PRELIMINARY?" highlighted. The main content area displays the following information:

Why is my report stamped PRELIMINARY?

- Simple Precision**
 - N<3
- Complex Precision**
 - Less than 3 days; less than 6 runs
- Linearity**
 - Less than 3 specimens
- Simple Accuracy**
 - Less than 2 specimens (each specimen must have at least 2 replicates)
- EP6 Linearity**
 - Less than 5 specimens (each specimen must have at least 2 replicates)
- Alternate Method Comparison**
 - N<3, more than 5% outliers; range of X with outliers excluded less than half the full range



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Exploring Experiments

Starting with Alternate Method Comparison - AMC





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Creating New Experiments

Starting with Alternate Method Comparison - AMC

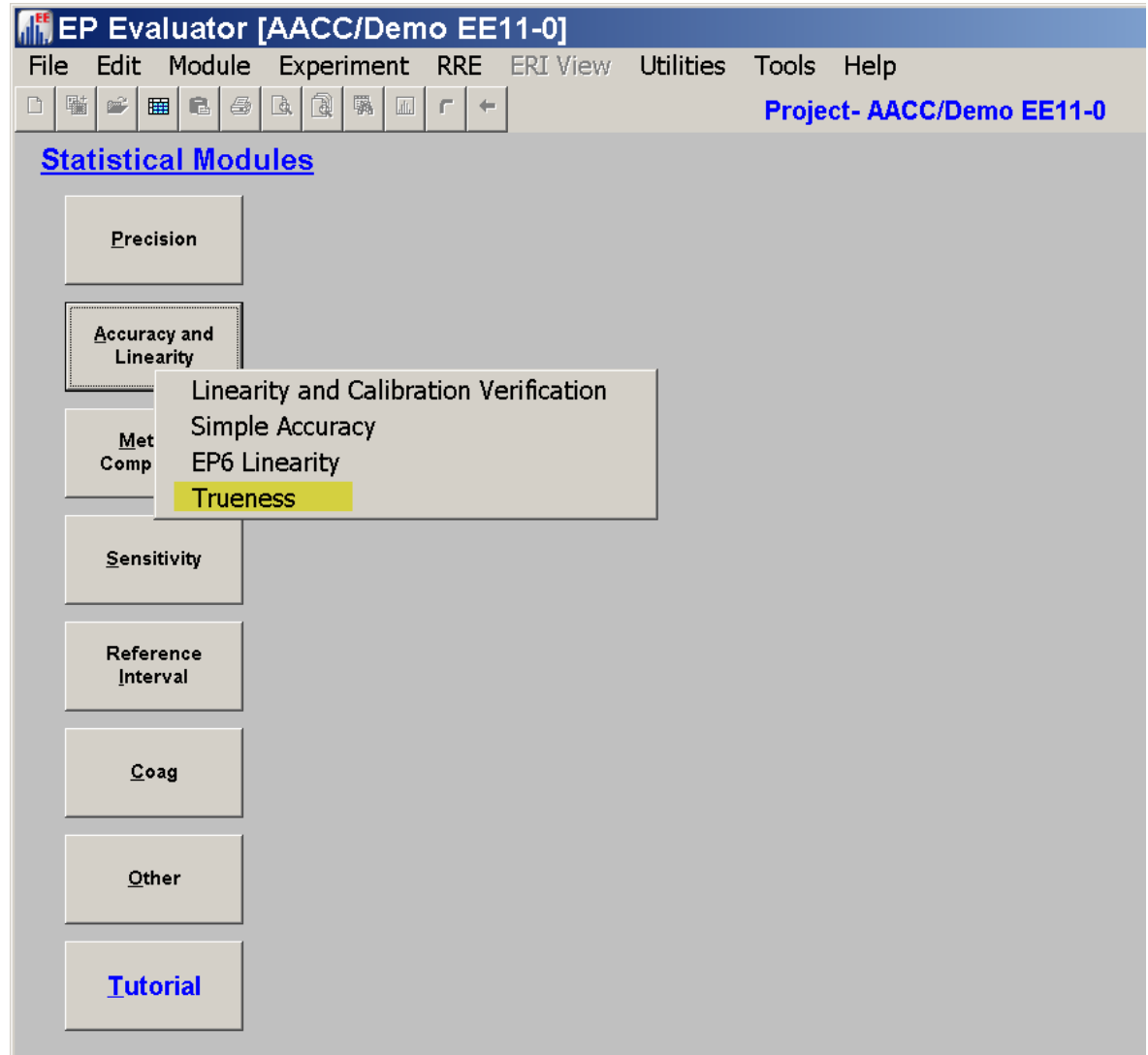


Key Screens

- **Statistical Module screen** main screen
- **Module Overview Screen** – the main entry screen for each module- summary of all current experiments in a project
- **Parameter screen** – customizes the options for each experiment, when creating the experiment initially or modifying later.
- **Experiment Detail screen** – data entry and experiment statistics.

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EP Evaluator Release 9 [Default]

File Edit Module Experiment RRE ERI View Utilities Tools Help

Project- Default

Statistical Modules

- Precision
- Accuracy and Linearity
- Method Comparison**
 - Alternate (Quantitative) CLSI EP9**
 - Qualitative and SemiQuant**
 - 2-Instrument Comparison**
 - Multiple Instrument Comparison**
 - Glucose POC Instrument Evaluation**
 - Hematology Studies**
- Sens
- Refer Inte
- INR
- Other
- Tutorial**

AMC Alternate Method Comparison - Uses Linear regression techniques to characterize the relationship between two methods.

CLSI-EP-9 - Implements the statistically rugged CLSI-EP-9 protocol using duplicate measurements to compare 2 methods using Linear regression.

2-IC Two Instrument Comparison. Without using linear regression, clinical equivalency can be demonstrated between 2 methods in the same Peer group that are expected to provide equivalent results within allowable error. (TEA)

Module Overview Screen

- Gray Table of contents
 - Module name
 - All instruments with experiments
- White grid:
 - For each instrument Lists all experiments with basic stats. their status: pass, fail, not calculated, etc.
- Experiment: one analyte
- Double click experiment to open it

The screenshot displays the 'EP Evaluator Alternate Method Comparison' window. The title bar indicates the project is '[DINA policies Sept 20...]' and the window title is 'Project- DINA policies'. The menu bar includes 'File', 'Edit', 'Module', 'Experiment', 'RRE', 'ERI View', 'Utilities', 'Tools', and 'Help'. The toolbar contains various icons for file operations and data viewing.

The main data table is titled 'AMC' and has columns for 'X Method', 'Analyte', 'N', 'Slope', 'Intercept', and 'Corr Coef (R)'. The data rows are as follows:


X Method	Analyte	N	Slope	Intercept	Corr Coef (R)
DINA 2331	ALB	5/5	1.134	-0.36	0.9997
DINA 2331	BUN	54/54	0.995	0.1	0.9996
DINA 2331	CHOL	54/54	1.003	0.7	0.9988
DINA 2331	CRE	54/54	1.004	0.016	0.9997
DINA 2331	ETOH	25/26	0.964	0.50	0.9999
DINA 2331	GLUCOSE	52/52	1.015	-1.1	0.9998
DINA 2331	LI	30/30	0.951	-0.012	0.9988
DINA 2331	SALY	30/30	0.985	-0.05	0.9993

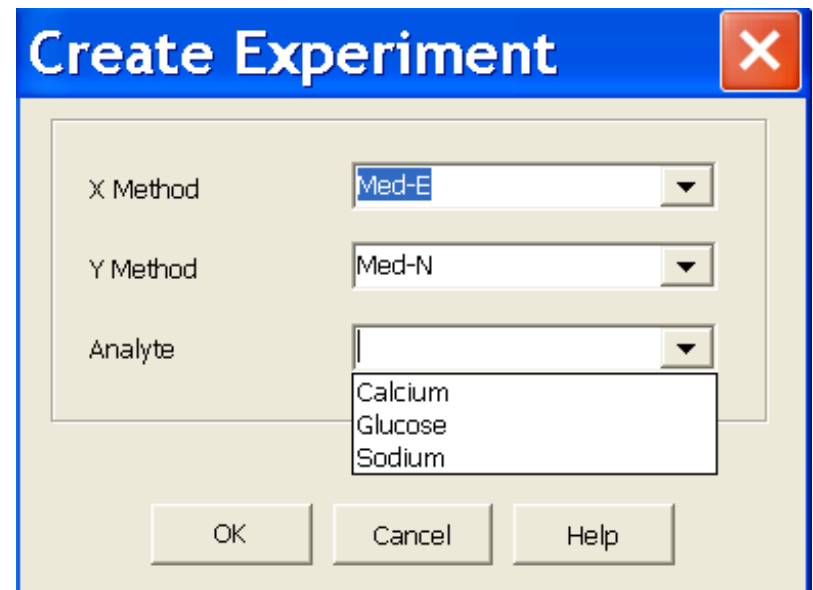
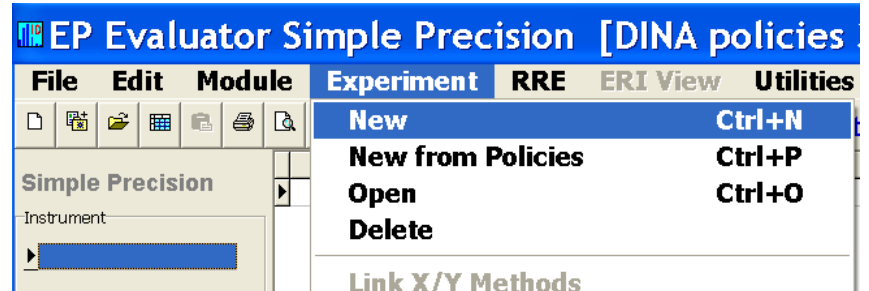
Below the table, there is a 'Legend' section with the following items:

- Not Calculated (yellow diamond)
- Insufficient Data (white circle)
- Sufficient data (black circle)
- Fail (red circle)
- Pass (green circle)
- May need review (yellow circle)

The 'Available Methods' section shows 'DINA 2331' and 'DINA 3006' as available methods. Below this, there is a section for 'Analytes for DINA 2331' with a list of analytes: ALB, BUN, CHOL, CRE, ETOH, and GLUCOSE.

Creating a new experiment

- Click the New Experiment icon ,  choose Experiment / New from the Experiment Menu.
- Name the new experiment
 - Method or instrument name
 - Analyte name
 - For precision experiments enter the Sample Name
 - Method comparison experiments need two instrument or method names
 - Method X (reference)
 - Method Y (test)
 - Names entered previously appear in the drop-down items
 - Click OK to go to the Parameters screen



The Parameters Screen

- The parameters screen is where you customize your experiment.
- Define Evaluation criteria like Allowable Error.
- Enter units, analyst name, decimal places, lot numbers, etc.

The screenshot shows a software dialog box titled "2-Instrument Comparison Parameters" for the analyte "Glucose". It is divided into two columns for "X Method" and "Y Method".

	X Method	Y Method
Method	cobas 6000	cobas 2
Units	mg/dL	[Yellow Highlighted]
Date	18 May 2015	18 May 2015
Analyst	Inez Kruse	Inez Kruse
Comment	[Empty]	[Empty]

Allowable Total Error (TEa)		Reportable Range	
Conc	6	Lower Limit	5
Percent	10	Upper Limit	1000

Medical Decision Points: 40, 70, 110, 126, 350

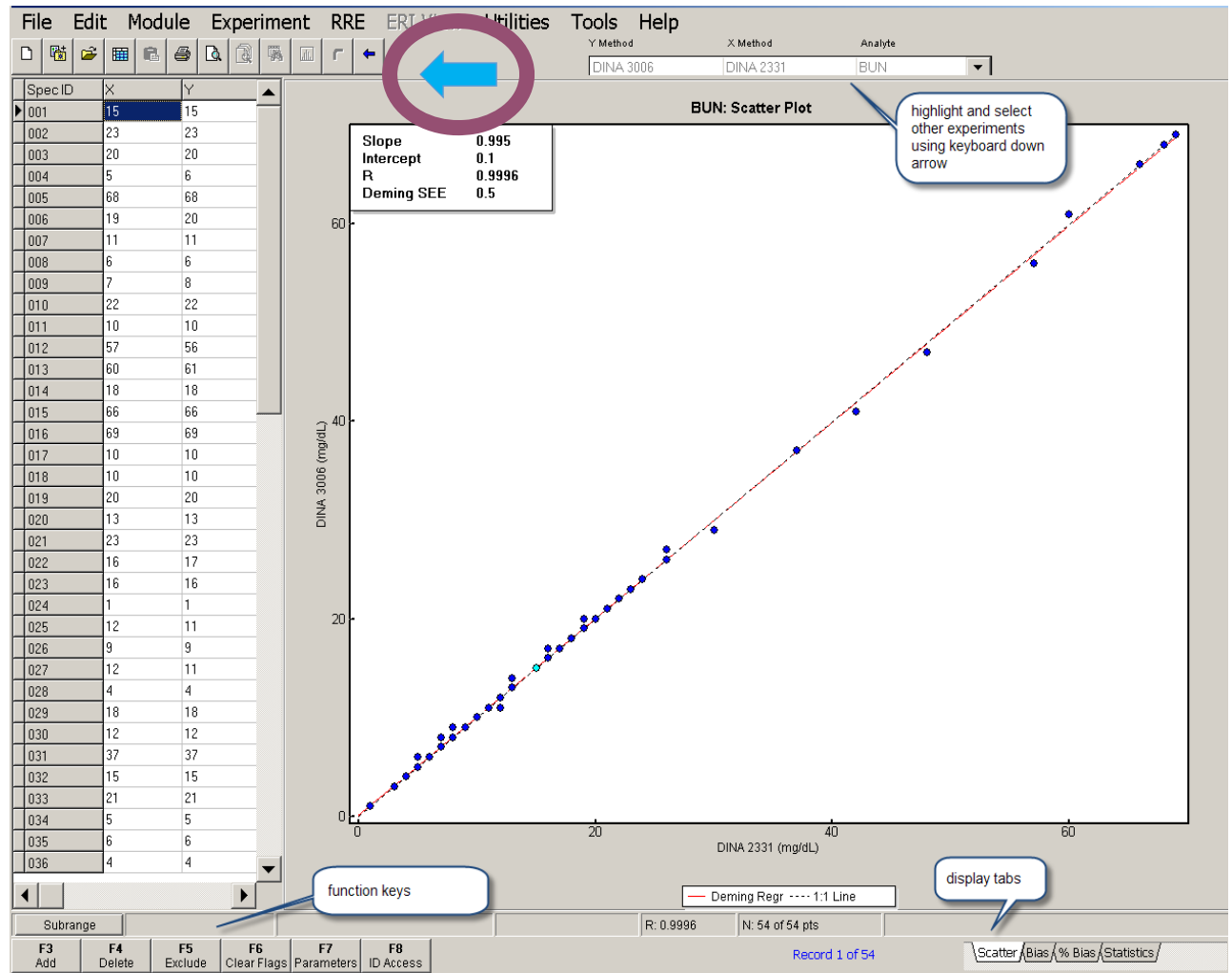
Max Decimal Places: Auto

Buttons: OK, Cancel, Help

Fields highlighted in yellow are required

Experiment Detail Screen

- One analyte
- Data Entry
 - Manual or
 - paste from Excel
- Blue Back arrow
- Function keys
- Observed statistics



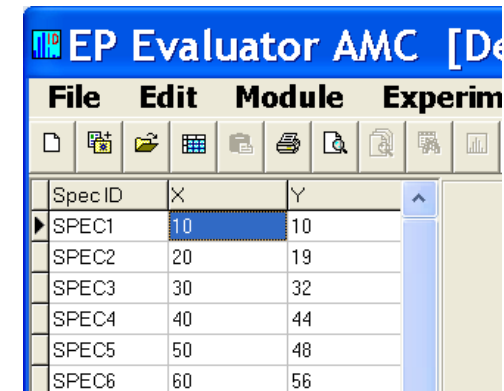
Demo of Method Comparison - AMC

- Most modules are organized in a similar fashion
- Data Entry Area
- Plot / Graph / Table of Results
- Summary Statistics
- Function Keys

Entering Data

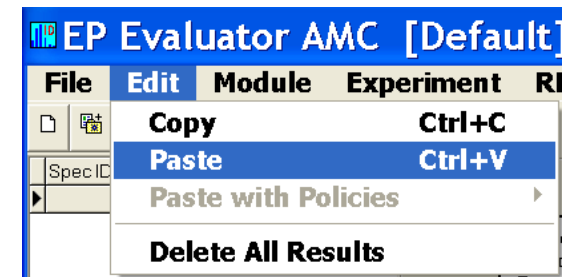
Here are 2 ways to enter data into the Experimental Detail Screen.

1. Type it into the highlighted cell.
2. You can paste data from a Microsoft[®] Excel spreadsheet.
 - The EE program folder on your computer or network contains a spreadsheet with examples of correct formats to paste data into the experimental detail screen for most modules. i.e., “**C:\EE11\Resources\PasteExptDetail.xls**”
 - Simply COPY the data from the spreadsheet and PASTE it into EE using the PASTE command in the EDIT menu.



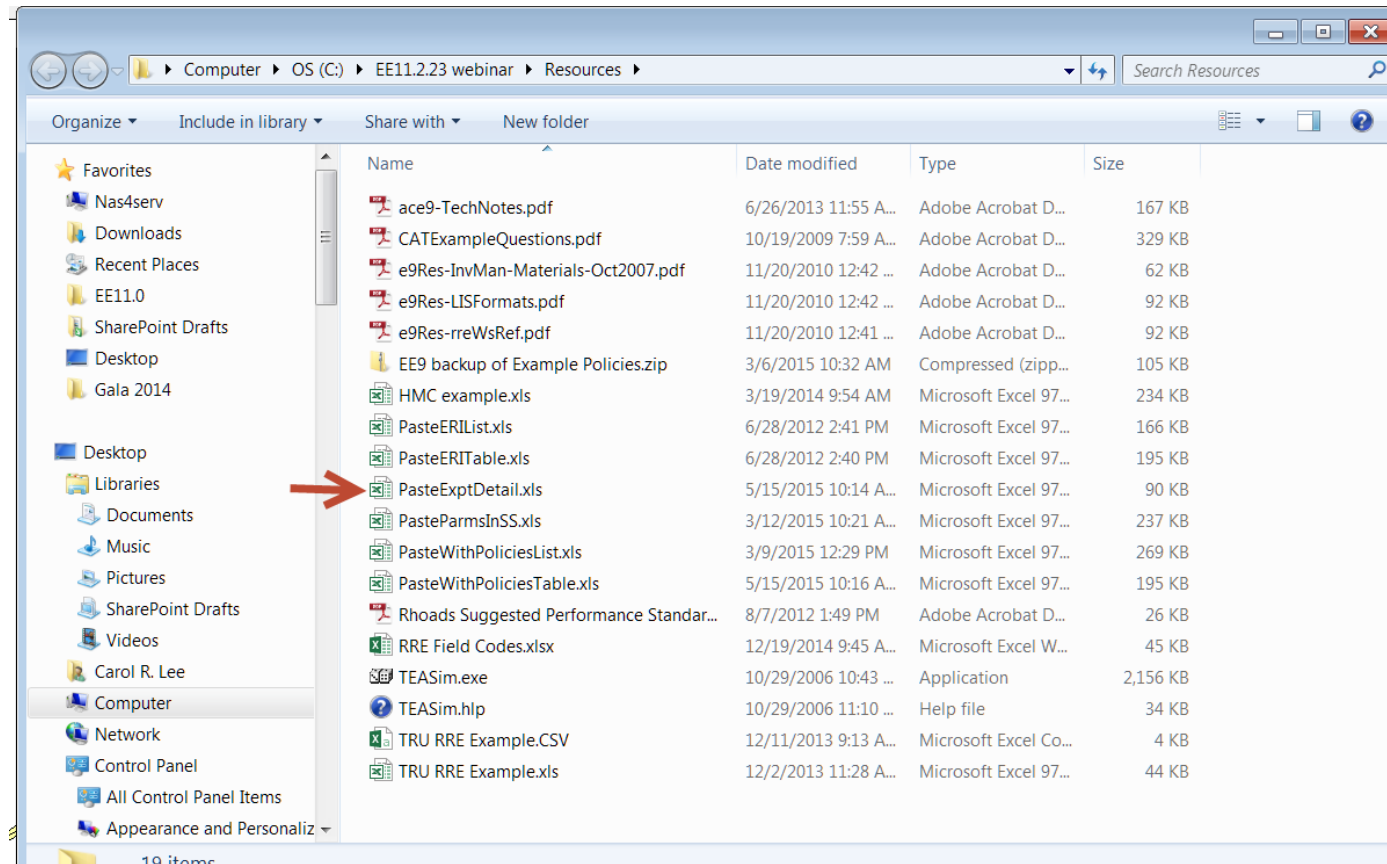
The screenshot shows the EP Evaluator AMC interface with a table of experimental data. The table has three columns: SpecID, X, and Y. The data is as follows:

SpecID	X	Y
SPEC1	10	10
SPEC2	20	19
SPEC3	30	32
SPEC4	40	44
SPEC5	50	48
SPEC6	60	56

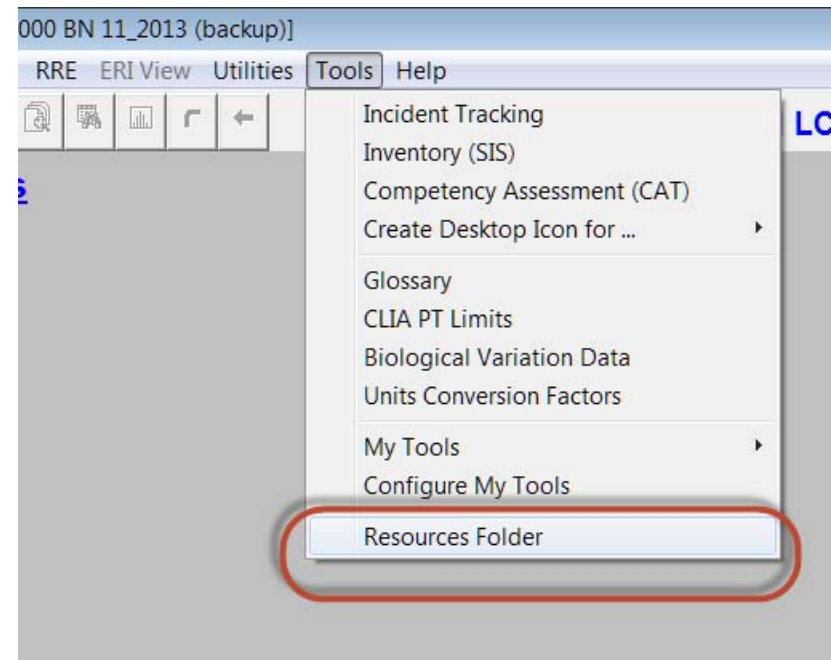
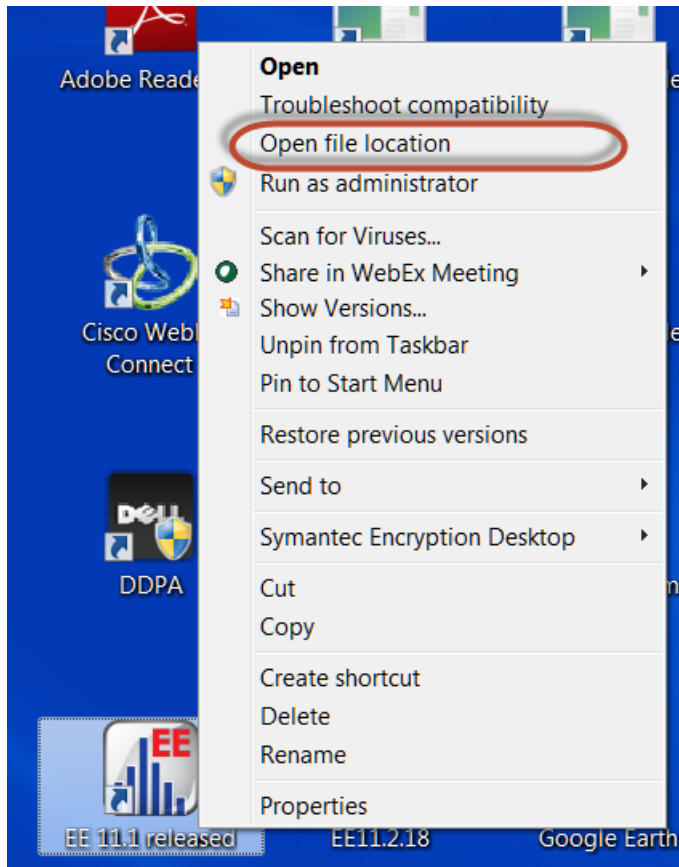


EE Resources Folder

Annotated examples for RRE techniques are available in your EE\Resources folder. Use with the project ExamplePolicies



Find your Resource folder



Specimen IDs

- Header = SPECID
- Method Comparison SPECID used to link the data pairs
- Linearity SPEC IDS needed for each level of “standards”
Lin-01, Lin-02, Lin-03, etc
- SpecID is alphanumeric
- SPECID sort is alphanumeric, not numeric. 1, 10, 2, 20, 3, 30,
- Default SPECIDs for EE follow the format S00001

Printing a Report

- **Single Experiment Report.** To Print or Preview a single report from the Experimental detail screen, select Print (or Print Preview) from The FILE Menu. Or click the appropriate icon.
- **Reports with Multiple Experiments.** To print reports and a Summary page for multiple experiments, you must be in the OVERVIEW screen. Again, select Print or Print Preview from the File Menu, or click the appropriate icon.



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HDL

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Two Instrument Comparison

X Method METH1 Y Method METH2

Scatter Plot

Error Index

Evaluation of Results

HDL was analyzed by methods METH1 and METH2 to determine whether the methods are equivalent within Allowable Total Error of 6 mg/dl or 10%. 6 specimens were compared over a range of 10 to 60 mg/dl. The test Passed. The difference between t

Key Statistics		Deming Regression Statistics	
Average Error Index	-0.03	Y = Slope * X + Intercept	
Error Index Range	-0.67 to 0.67	Correlation Coeff (R)	0.9890
Coverage Ratio	53%	Slope	0.950 (0.754 to 1.145)
		Intercept	1.6 (-6.0 to 9.2)
Evaluation Criteria		Std Error Estimate	2.9
Allowable Total Error	6 mg/dl or 10%	N	6 of 6
Reportable Range	15 to 100 mg/dl		

Experiment Description		
	X Method	Y Method
Expt Date	01 Jun 2000	01 Jun 2000
Result Ranges	10 to 60	10 to 56
Mean ± SD	35.0 ± 18.7	34.8 ± 17.8
Units	mg/dl	mg/dl
Analyst	Fred Doe	Gina Doe
Comment		

Accepted by: _____


Signature

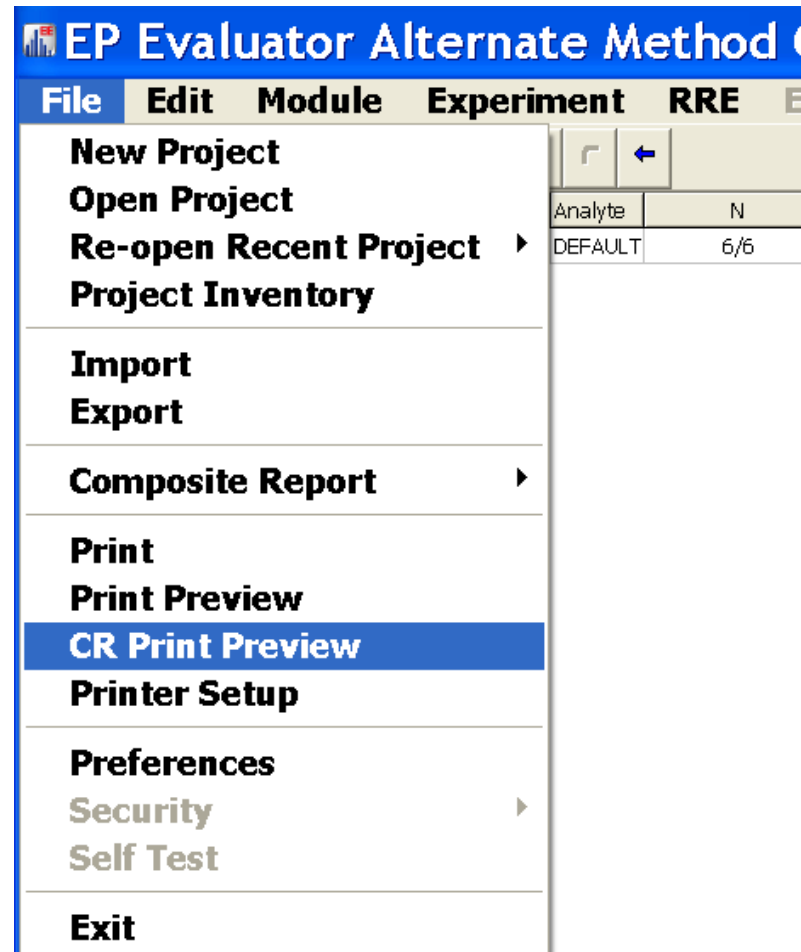
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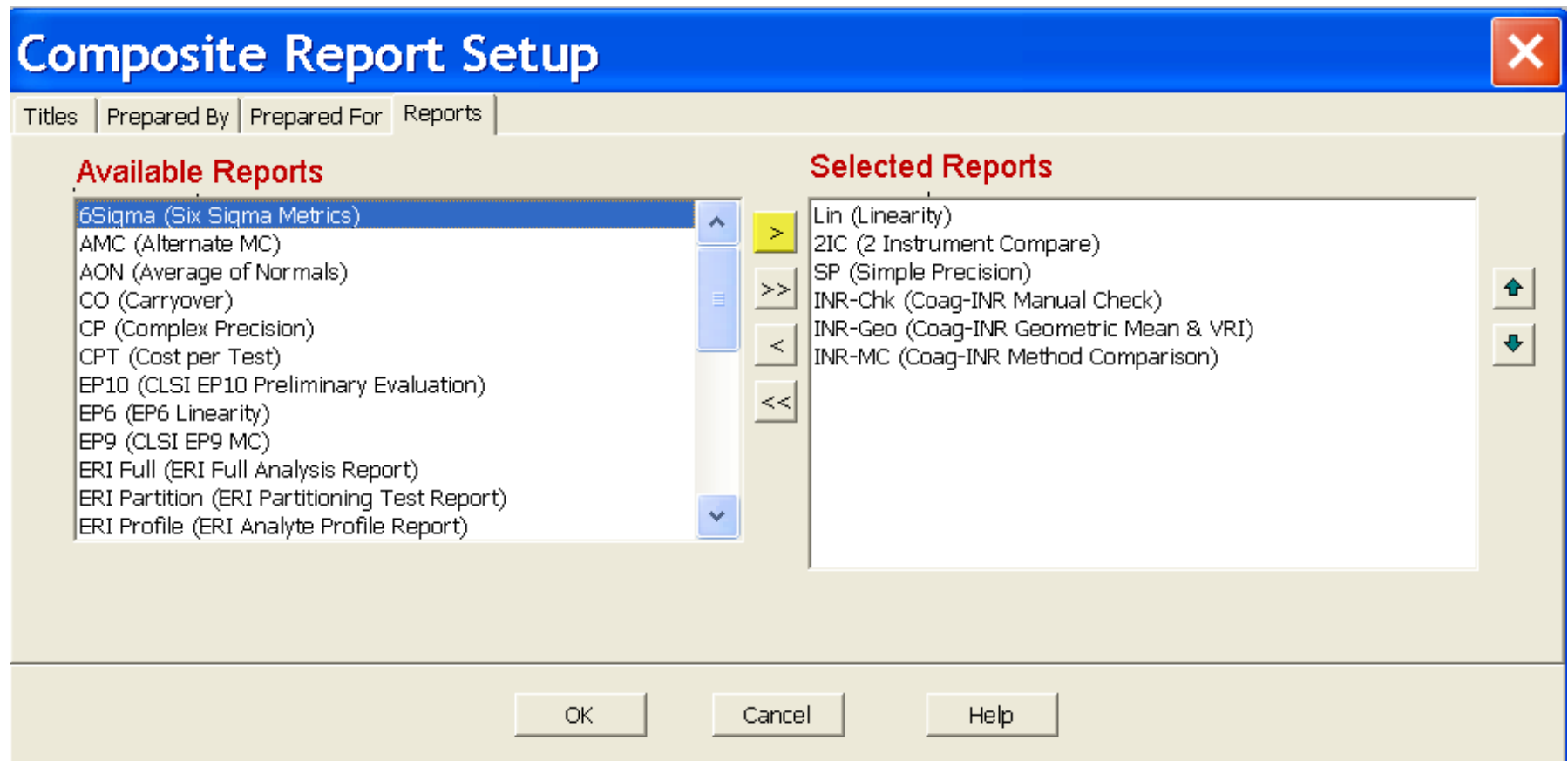
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Composite Reports

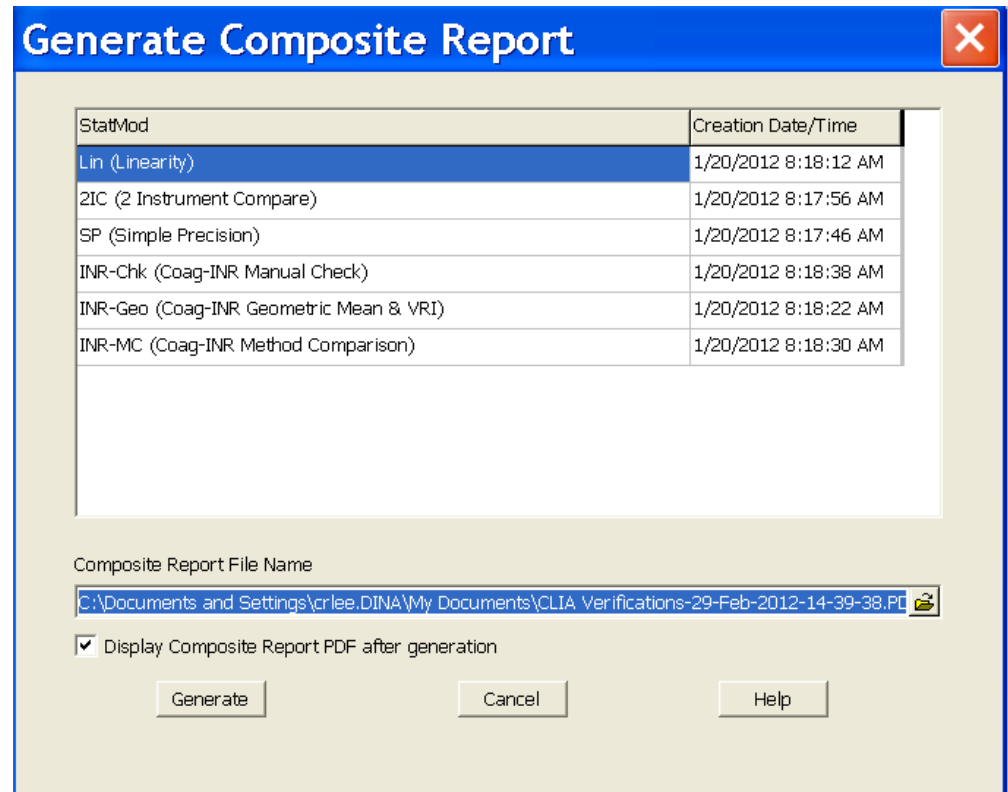
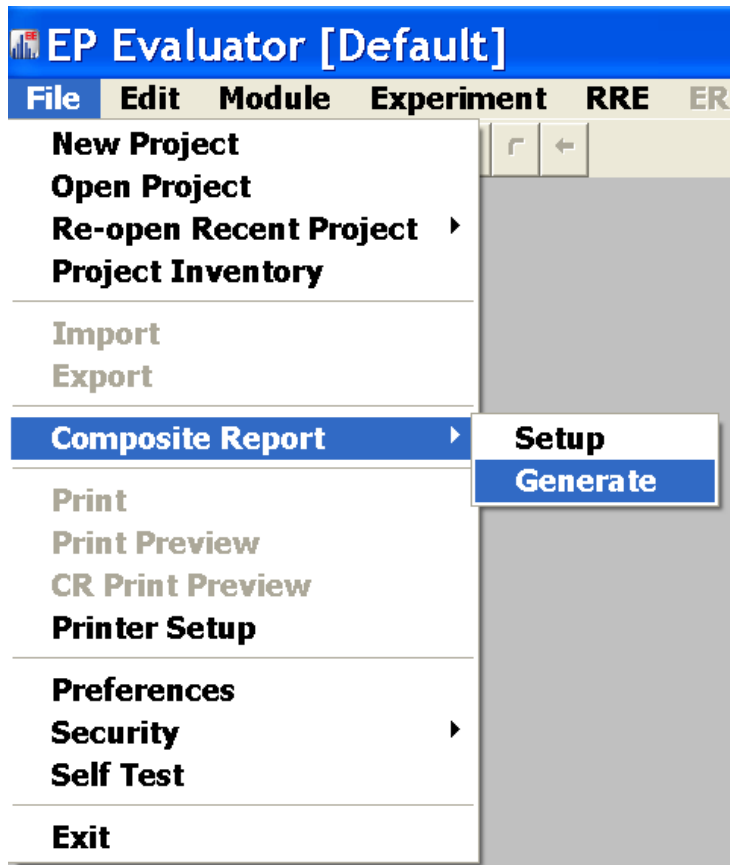
- Create Composite Reports for Multiple Experiments in Multiple Modules.
 - Set up the Composite Report (CR) from the File Menu
 - When an experiment is ready to report, select CR Print Preview (or click the icon ) to add the report to the composite report list.
 - Generate the Report from the File Menu.



Composite Report Setup



Generate Composite Report



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CLIA Verifications

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2/29/2012

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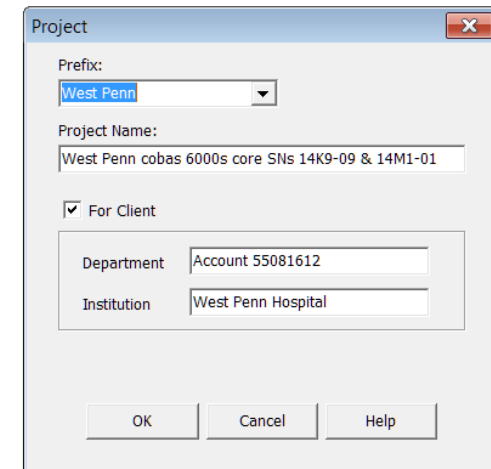
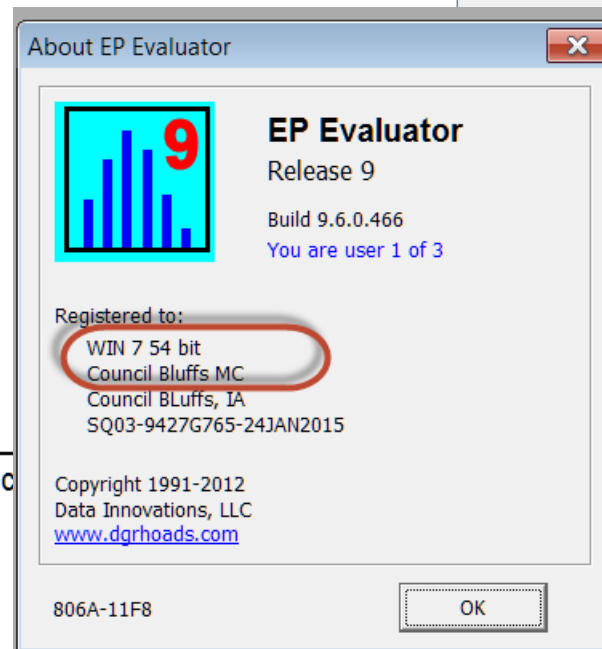
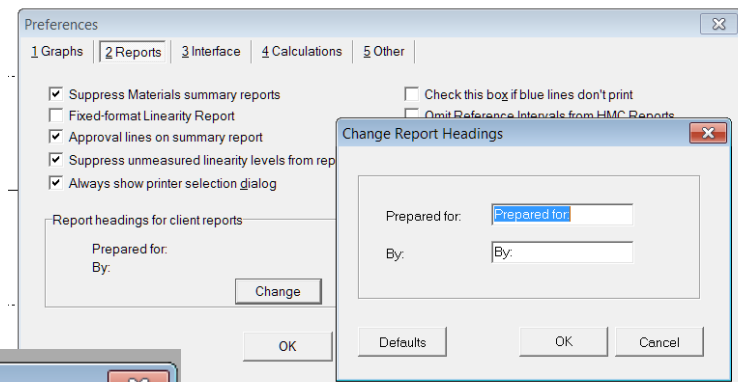
<i>Module</i>	<i>Page</i>
Lin (Linearity)	3
2IC (2 Instrument Compare)	15
SP (Simple Precision)	19
INR-Chk (Coag-INR Manual Check)	22
INR-Geo (Coag-INR Geometric Mean & VRI)	24
INR-MC (Coag-INR Method Comparison)	26

Report headers, logo, etc.

- Verbiage on each report all appears in UPPER left corner
 - “Prepared for / By “ labels can be changed in Preferences.
 - “By” Verbiage from UNLOCK screen (Specialists should keep this short) 1st 2 lines only
 - “For” is Client information as entered from Project NAME



- Roche_logo resides in EE11:\forms
- Site project name and EP Evaluator Version # appear at lower left of report.



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Menu Bar Options

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EP Evaluator Simple Precision [Default]

File Edit Module Experiment RRE ERI View Utilities Tools Help

Simple Precision

Instrument

▶ ANALYZER

New Ctrl+N Project- Default

New from Policies Ctrl+P

Open Ctrl+O

Delete

Link X/Y Methods

Custom Link

Delete Orphaned Specs

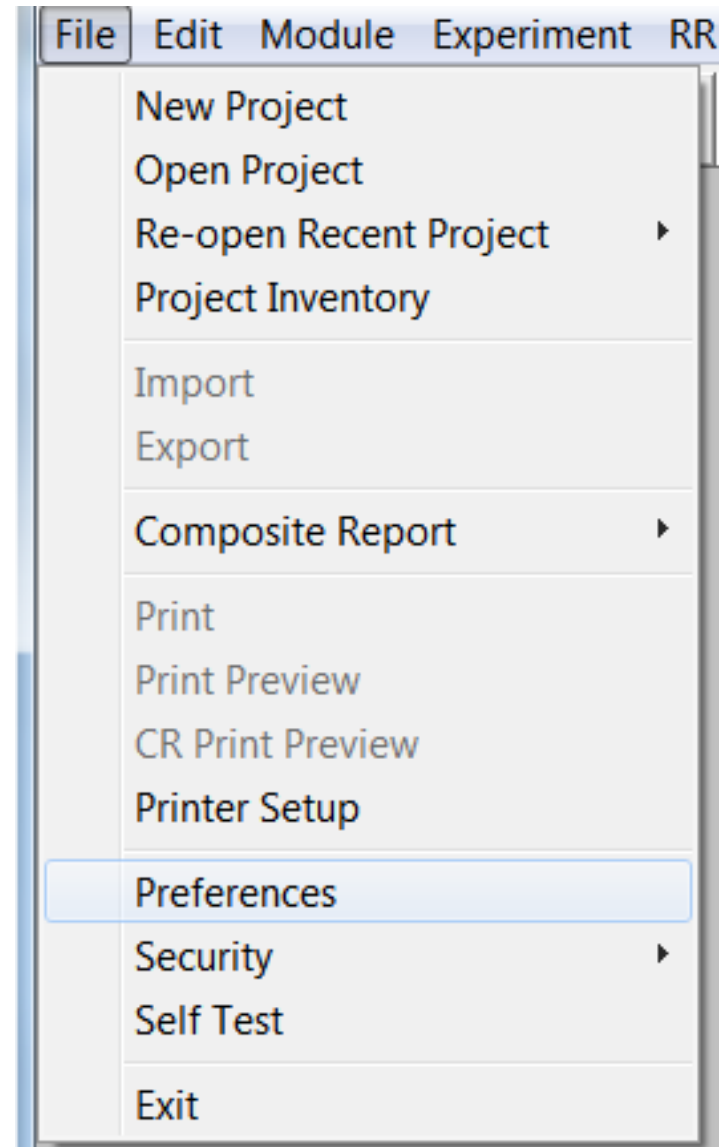
Rename Inst, Analyte, Etc.

Key Menu Bar options * 1

- **File**
 - New and Open projects
 - Import export: transfer projects and experiments
 - Preferences: set up special options for several modules.
 - Project inventory
 - Print / Print Preview / Print Setup
 - User Security – Professional version
- **Edit:** copy/paste / delete data
- **Module:**
 - shortcuts to the modules from any location.
 - Recalculate statistics. Or Clear Overview statistics
 - Summarize to History for Linearity or MIC modules
 - Batch Edit the lot numbers

Preferences

- View Preferences in File \ Preferences
- Within a project, Preferences apply to all existing and future experiments
- Prior to EE11.0, you could change preferences in a project, but when you closed the program and returned, the original preferences came back
- In EE 11.0, you can save preferences as preferences.ini file that will apply to **all** projects on the local machine.



Preference Calculations

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Preferences X

1 Graphs | 2 Reports | 3 Interface | **4 Calculations** | 5 Trueness | 6 Other

AMC Passing-Bablok Type

None
 Regression
 Method Comparison

AMC Graph/MDP

Deming
 Passing-Bablok

Calculate QMC/ROC Conf Intervals using

Score Method (CLSI recommended)
 Exact Binomial Method

Minimum R for estimating MDPs from Deming Regression (AMC only)

0.975 0.950 0.900

When computing 90% CI for non-parametric Reference Interval, use index numbers from:

CLSI Table Formula

Simple Precision Verification

Pass/Fail Pass/Fail/Uncertain

Show I Test for Alternate Method Comparison
 Allow limited amounts of missing MIC results
 Allow 1-step difference in QMC with 5+ lvs

OK Cancel Help **Save**

AMC Statistics Tab

Regression Analysis	Deming	Passing-Bablok	Regular		
Slope	1.036 (1.017 to 1.056)	1.000 (1.000 to 1.000)	1.021 (1.002 to 1.041)		
Intercept	-3.7 (-5.7 to -1.6)	0.0 (0.0 to 0.0)	-2.2 (-4.2 to -0.1)		
Std Err Est	0.9	--	0.9		
SMAD	0.6	0.0	0.7		
Distribution of Results					
Range	<= 83.3	83.4-116.7	116.8-150.0	150.1-183.3	> 183.3
Percent	2%	98%	0%	0%	0%
Other Statistics					
Points (Plotted/Total)	296/297				
Outliers	Not Tested				
SubRange Bounds	None				
Corr Coef (R)	0.9862				
Bias	0.0 (0.0 %)				
X Range	79 to 113 (1X)				
Y Range	79 to 113 (1X)				
X Mean ± SD	102.8 ± 5.0				
Y Mean ± SD	102.8 ± 5.1				
Rep SD X	1				
Rep SD Y	1				
SD of differences	0.9				
Paired T Test	0.95				
T Probability	0.344				
Degrees of Freedom	294				

Passing Bablock enabled by preferences

Red type indicates ideal slope of 1.0 or intercept of 0.0 is not within the confidence intervals

Confidence intervals calculated per CLSI EP09-A2

Key Menu Bar options - 2

- **Experiment**

- New experiments from scratch CNTRL N
- New experiments using policy definitions CNTRL P
- Open a specific experiment CNTRL O
- Link X and Y methods
- Custom Link data with dissimilar names
- Delete orphaned specs (AMC POC EP9 or 2IC)
- Rename / delete experiments

Key Menu Bar options - 3

- RRE
 - Create experiments for multiple analytes using
 - instrument capture
 - Keyboard entry from instrument printouts
 - Capture Data from Instrument Manager
 - Define policy definitions to re-use over and over
 - Define global lot numbers
 - Open last or saved RRE worksheets
 - AON Data Manager.

Useful Menu Bar Options – Misc.

- **Utilities**

- File Manager – manages your projects, backup files, view inventory on all projects
- Typing Help History Editor – edit items in the dropdowns
- Update Wizard - brings all active projects into new major version

- **Tools**

- Open the 3 lab management modules and create their icons
- CLIA PT limits table
- Glossary of terms

- **Help**

- Indexed and Searchable help
- Send a bug report
- Check for a newer major or minor version: automatic update as prompted
- Renew subscription

Preferences for Regression Graphs

Preferences

1 Graphs | 2 Reports | 3 Interface | 4 Calculations | 5 Other

Scatter Plot Scaling

- Identical Scaling for X and Y axes
- Flexible Scaling

Bias Plot Style

- Standard (Bias vs X)
- Bland-Altman (Bias vs Avg X/Y)

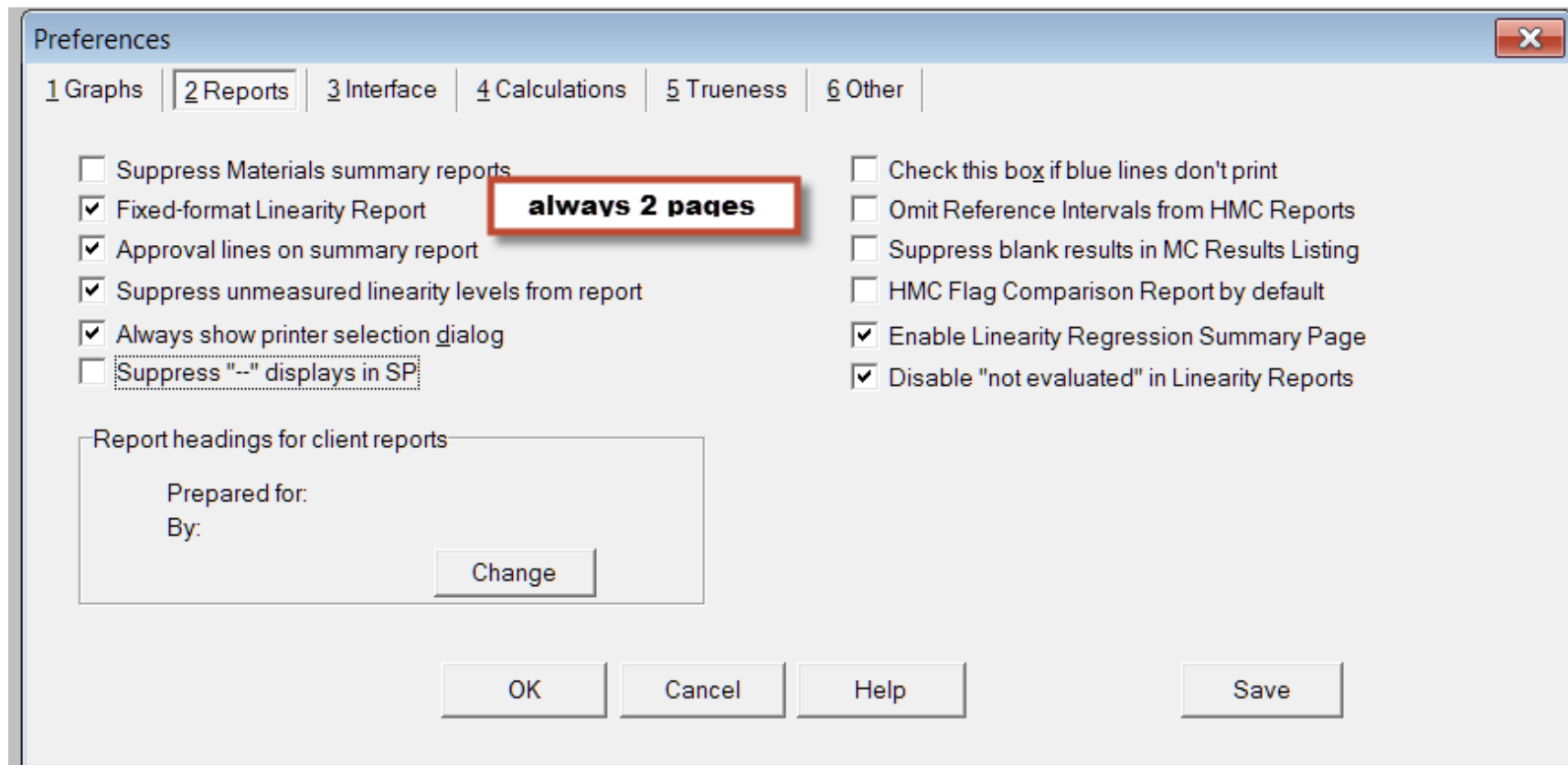
Bias Plot Scaling

- Centered on Y Axis
- Location on Y Axis Calculated

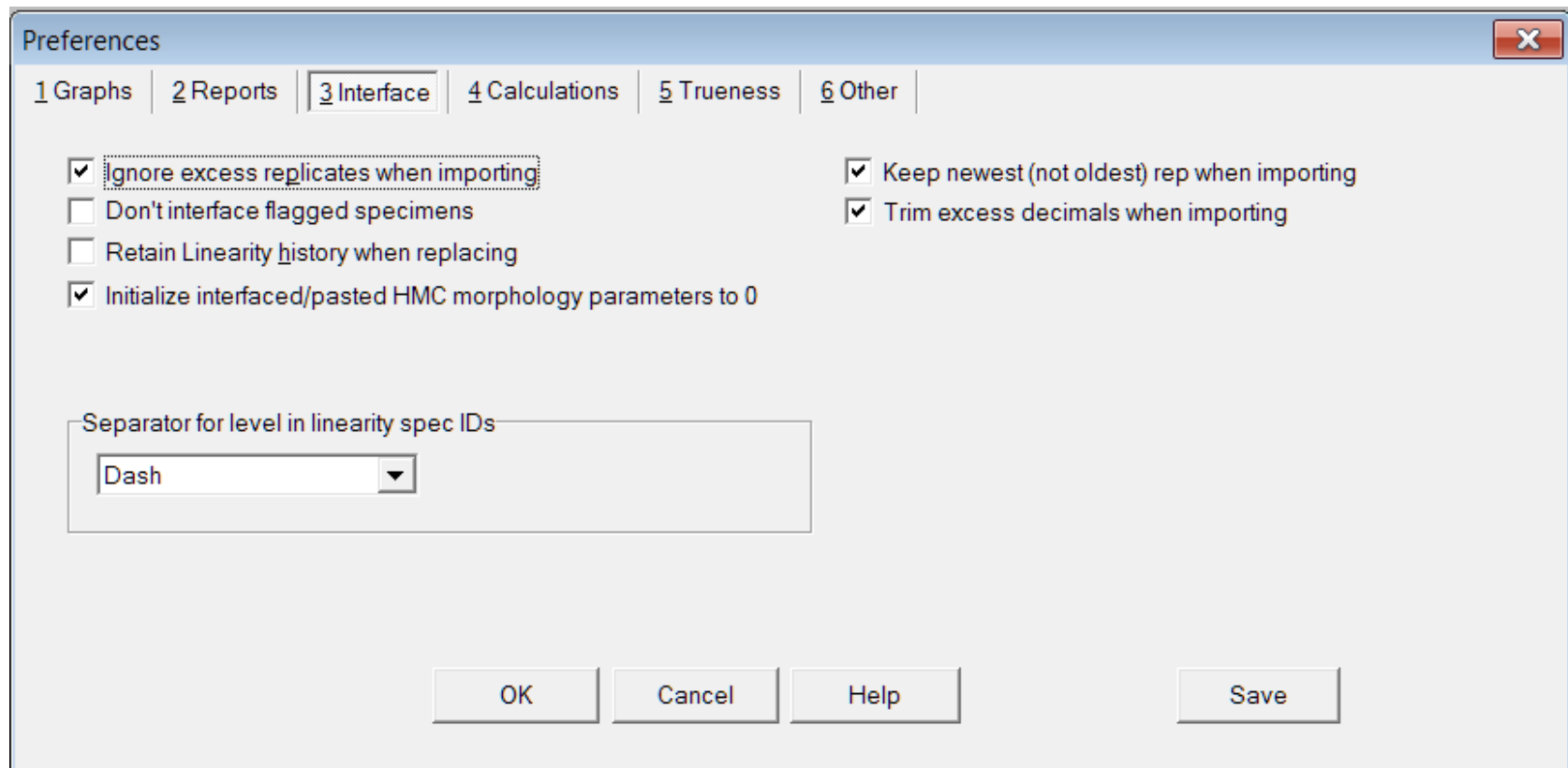
These options do not apply to EP9, since the specification requires uniform scaling.

OK Cancel Help

Preferences Affecting Linearity Reports



Preferences affecting Interfacing or copy/paste





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Projects

Open a project

Create a new project

Inventory

Manage your projects





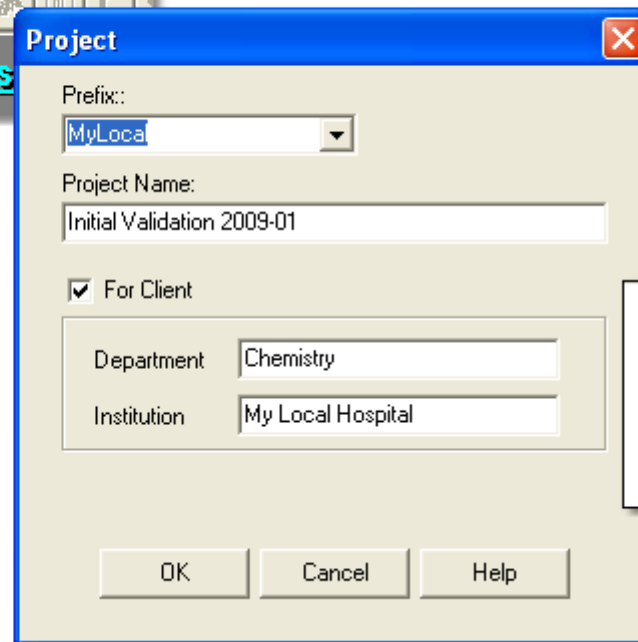
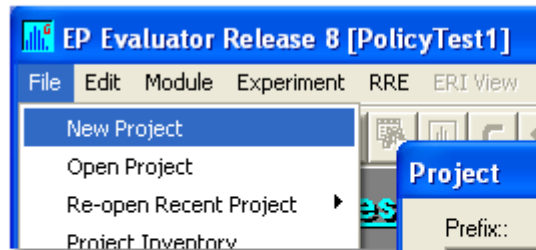
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Creating a New Project

Projects

- **Projects must be unique – a 2 part name**
- **Prefix ^ unique name**
 - Chem^“Validation for city Med Center – June 2009”
- **The prefix serves as a folder name**
 - Can Add more projects under the same prefix
- **Organized in the EE file menu by prefix.**

Creating a New Project



Project

Prefix: MyLocal

Project Name: Initial Validation 2009-01

For Client

Department: Chemistry

Institution: My Local Hospital

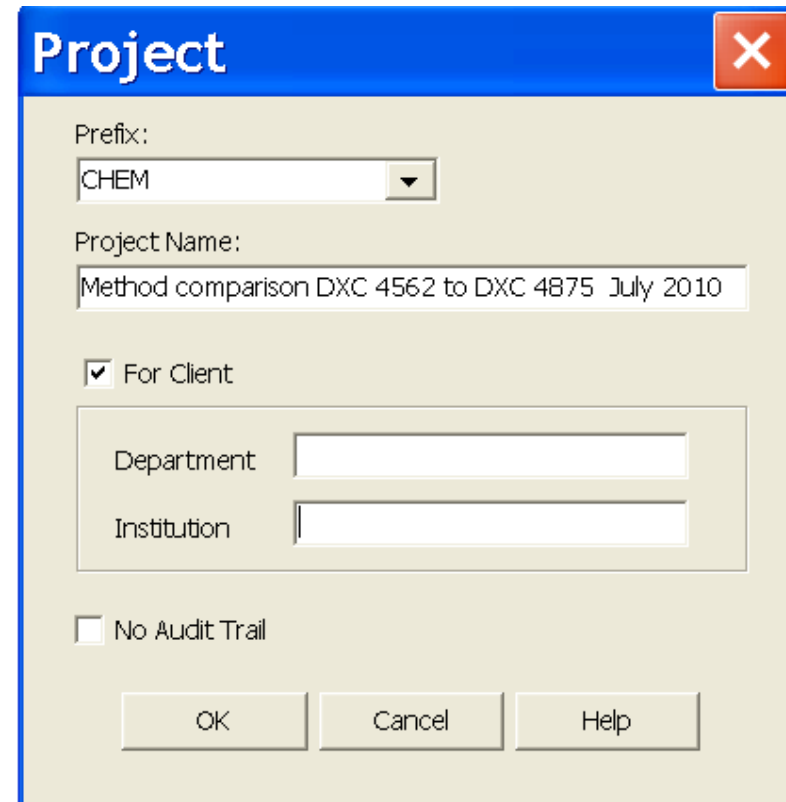
OK Cancel Help

EP Evaluator®

Prepared for: Chemistry -- My Local Hospital
By: Clinical Laboratory -- Kennett Community Hospital

Naming your project:

- Prefix – 12 chars:
 - User's initials or department name
- Project name - 80 char
 - Describe the activity
 - i.e., validations
 - Method comparison
 - Linearity
 - Include a date
- For Client (Optional)



Project

Prefix:
CHEM

Project Name:
Method comparison DXC 4562 to DXC 4875 July 2010

For Client

Department

Institution

No Audit Trail

OK Cancel Help

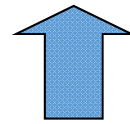


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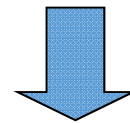
Managing Projects

Active Project Management Functions

- Open/Reopen
- Create



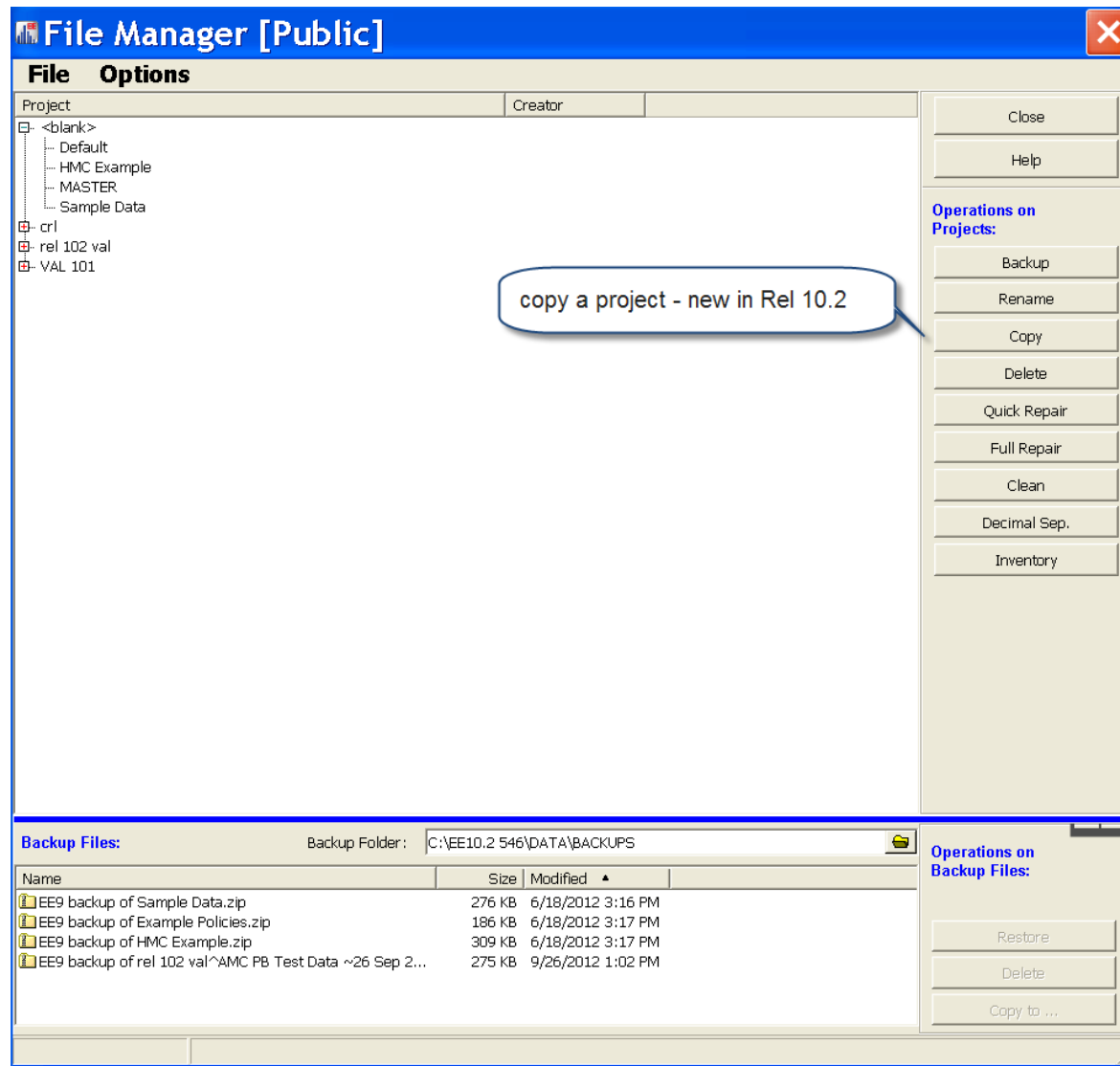
File menu



Utilities / File Manager

- Rename
- Delete
- Backup
- Restore
- Inventory (see what experiments a project contains)
- Repair (fix database errors)
- Move out of EP Evaluator[®] (e.g., offsite storage)

The File Manager (Utilities\File Manager)



Project Backups: A way to Share Data

- A EP Evaluator “project” contains all the data, policy definitions, experiments with data, and reports for a specific work assignment.
- Projects are portable only by using the backup function.
- To create a backup (archive) file for your project:
 - From the Main Statistical Module screen
 - Open Utilities\file Manager
 - Select the **Project Name** in the top half of the screen
 - Click on Backup to create a zipped file archived to date and time.
 - Default folder is c:\EE\data\backups
 - Can “copy to” any folder or travel drive. Email to your colleagues.
- Restore when needed, or in EP Evaluator on another computer.

MASTER Project

- Created using Policy Definitions
- Cannot be opened or viewed in the File Open menu
- Cannot be renamed, deleted,
- Contains no inventory
- Can be backed up and restored using the Utilities File Manager.
- New Projects inherit policy definitions from the “Master Project”,
- Policy definitions from a current project can be copied to the Master project for future “new projects”



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What's new in EE 11.1?

You asked for it!!

Overall Project

- **Preferences**

- The user can disable the notification of a new available **Update**.
- **Option for a Regression Summary** page for Linearity reports: slope, intercept, R
- Preferences can be saved to a file

- **Each time EE starts**, it verifies that the permissions are correct for writing files and writing to the registry

- **Most EE screens can be resized** and positioned to suit the user. The **Print Preview** screen will continue to appear full screen.

- **Method Comparisons**

- 2IC, AMC, CLSI EP9, POC, and QMC Data entered can be viewed either in **SpecID** order or in the order that the data was originally entered.

Highlights of EE 11.1

EE11.1.26 released April 2014

- Added the Sigma Calculation to the Trueness Module, EQC data
- Added optional **Regression Summary** page to Linearity reports with slope, intercept, corr. coeff. Switch on with a new **Preference**
- Added new **Preference** that allows the user to disable the feature notifying the user when a new **Update** is available
- Added the **Merge Project** command to the **File** menu, so the user can copy experiments from a selected project into the currently open project. **Merge Project** does not copy **HMC** experiments.
- The Factor Sensitivity module now allows users to select curve fit regressions of logarithmic, or 1st, 2nd, or 3rd order polynomial.
- Method comparison modules 2IC, AMC, CLSI EP9, POC, and QMC Data entered can be viewed either in **SpecID** order or in the order that the data was originally entered.

Highlights of EE11.2

1. Carryover adds new user defined calculations for Error Limit..
2. Simple Precision supports 3 levels of “Sample Name” in policies and a new vendor SD claim based on conc or Percent or both.
3. Can now paste Data for ERI directly into the studies data grid.
4. The EE Professional version allows control over which statistical modules are enabled and which are not.
5. HMC users can change the regression plot default from no to yes after the study is created.
6. A precision study in the LIN module requires between 10 – 20 replicates (not *only* 10 replicates)
7. A new button on the ODBC screen filters matched spec IDS from multiple instruments to be downloaded to a Method comparison experiment
8. RRE is now supported for the stability muddle
9. Go to the Resources folder from the TOOLS menu
10. SIS module tracks the costs of inventory items
11. Project Merge now includes HMC studies

EE11.2 Simple Precision changes

- 3 levels of Controls or specimens
- Add a Vendor precision goal that is allowable error based. Within run SD, CV% or both This would be controlled in modules and options and be class specific (not analyte specific).
- Add a preference to suppress all occurrences of /"___". In the overview screen or the report summary page. E.g., when target mean is not entered or target CV% can't be calculated.

Carry over changes

- Before EE11.2 the calculated error limit depended on the maximum number of decimal places in the data. If there was a 0.0 in the data, the error limit was 1.
- Now the user can use either
 - classic calculated error limit
 - A user defined concentration
 - A user defined percent of the low mean
- This error limit model is more comparable to the carryover experimental design recommended in *Tietz - Fundamentals of Clinical Chemistry*.

RRE, Policies, and Projects

- RRE and project management
 - **RRE\Lot number database** is now both searchable and can be sorted by lot #, expiration data, source and comment,
 - **RRE edit\paste and import export** will correctly paste data from csv files that have been modified in MS Excel
 - **“Merge Project”** has been added to the File menu to copy experiments from a selected project into the current open project. (does not apply to HMC experiments)
- Policies
 - Error messages will display when truncations occur while **Pasting** data into the **Policy** forms.
 - The Equivalency Test Code feature (inside **RRE > Define Policies > Interface > Combine/Discard**) has improved flexibility to be able to accept incoming analyte names up to 24 characters to be mapped to a 16 character user defined analyte name .

“Misc”

- **HMC**
 - scatter plots show false negatives and false positives in yellow and red colors.
 - An error message now appears if the user attempts to exclude an **HMC** parameter that is used to compute another **HMC** parameter.
- **QMC**
 - Users can control the visibility of three statistics (Agreement, McNemar's Test, and Cohen's Kappa) in the QMC reports.
 - The defaults are set in **Policies\Modules & Options** (initial default is Y)
 - Checkboxes in the **Parameters** screen can also customize each **QMC** experiment.
- **Stability**
 - Stability experiments can now be transferred from older releases of EE using the Update Wizard.
- **Trueness**
 - The Trueness StatMod was updated to calculate Sigma in EQC mode experiments.
- **Tutorial Files**
 - A bug was fixed that prevented Tutorial files from being accessed if the Language in Preferences was set to ‘None’.

Factor sensitivity*

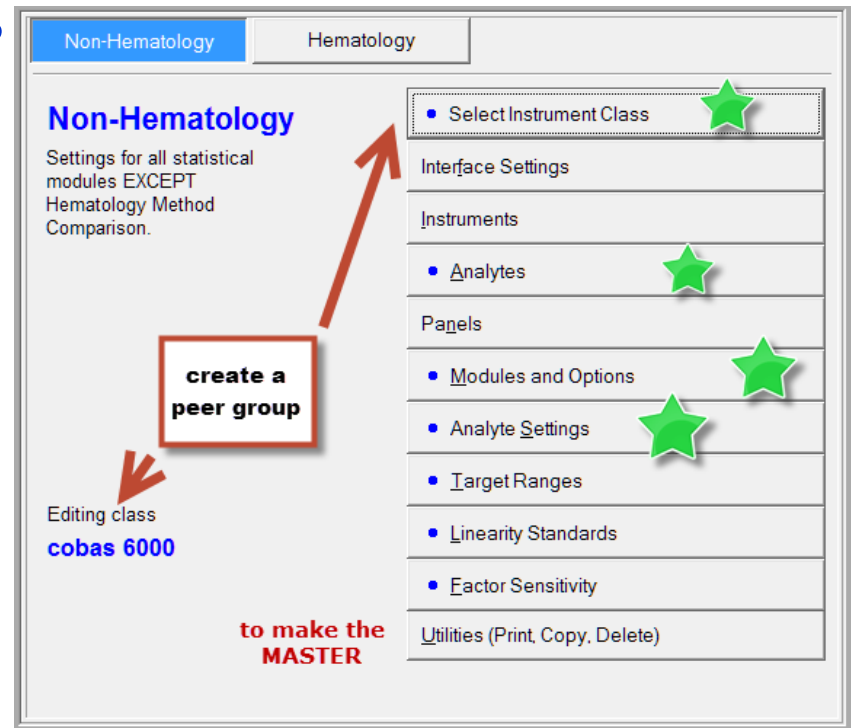
- The user can manually select regression polynomials of degree 1, 2, or 3, or a logarithmic curve fit.
- The regression degree, regression polynomial equation, R-squared value, and SEE is present on both the Experiment Detail screen and the report.
- **A new “Regression Limits” option** in the parameters screen lets users choose the actual Dilutions to be used in the regression plot.
- **Dilutions:**
 - The maximum dilution is now 100% rather than 99%, and decimal points are allowed.
 - Theoretical Dilutions are now sorted numerically
 - Added a column to reveal the computed Actual Dilutions in the Experiment Detail screen.
 - “Edit \ Paste with Policies – List” now honors decimals found in the dilution portion of the specimen ID.
 - The number of decimal digits in the computed Actual Dilutions is now the same as the maximum number of decimal digits in the Theoretical Dilutions.
- *See the Factor Sensitivity topics in EP Evaluator Help for more detail regarding these changes.

Rapid Results Entry (RRE)

- Describes several different efficient data-entry techniques:
 - Pasting experimental results from Excel into experiment detail screen
 - Paste with Policies into overview screen
 - Efficient keyboard entry of results on printouts for multiple analytes
 - Data Acquisition from Instrument Manager
- EE Users Guide Chapters 35, 36, 37
- Help Topics are available for most all of the setup screens

Step 1 – Instrument Class, Analytes, and Units

- Go to **Statistical Modules Screen**
- Select **RRE / Define Policies** from the menu; select the Non-Hematology Tab



RRE – Rapid Results Entry Policy Definitions

- Set up a RRE “Policy Definition” Master Policy template to store frequently used method characteristics.
 - Peer Group Classes * – like **COBAS 6000 or Architect**
 - Instrument serial numbers * **Fred 1, Fred 2, Cobas75678**
 - Analyte names and units and test codes * **Glu BUN 1021**
 - Default module settings * **(decimal points, reps expected)**
 - Allowable errors - TEa
 - Reportable ranges, reference intervals, and more
- **BOLDED** * Items are needed for ODBC download
- Use the analyte names or test codes mapped in IM
- Use the instrument Names mapped in IM

Policy Definition Analytes

Non-Hematology Hematology

Non-Hematology
Settings for all statistical modules EXCEPT Hematology Method Comparison.

- Select Instrument Class
- Interface Settings
- Instruments

Editing class **Architect**

Analytes Edit

Analyte	Units	Max Decimal Places	Coag Flag*	For Inst Capture Only	
				InstCode	Factor
Estradiol	pg/mL	0		713	1
ETOH	mg/dL	1		2847	1
Fe	ug/dL	0		2960	
Ferritin	ng/mL	0		61	
Ferritin-Mul				2906	
Folate				685	
Free PSA				221	
FSH	mIU/mL	2		81	1
FT3	pg/mL	2		621	1
FT4	ng/dL	2		631	1
Gent	ug/mL	1		2867	1
GGT	U/L	0		1027	1
ChC	mg/dL	0		1000	1

Either IM test codes or common name labels

IM test codes

Instruments

Names or Serial Numbers as defined in IM

The screenshot displays a software interface with a main window and a foreground dialog box. The main window has two tabs: 'Non-Hematology' (active) and 'Hematology'. The 'Non-Hematology' tab contains the text 'Non-Hematology' in blue, followed by 'Settings for all statistical modules EXCEPT Hematology Method Comparison.' Below this, it says 'Editing class' and 'Architect' in blue. The foreground dialog box is titled 'Instruments' and contains a table with the following data:

Name	Model	Serial No	MIC Abbrev
Architect	Generic	Generic	
Archie		123456	ARCh
Edith		78910	Edith

At the bottom of the dialog box are five buttons: 'F3 Add', 'F4 Delete', 'OK', 'Cancel', and 'Help'.

Analyte settings depend on Modules / Options selected

Minimal

Non-Hematology Hematology

Analyte Parameters - Key

Settings for all status modules EXCEPT Hematology Method Comparison.

Edit

Analyte	Medical Decision Points				
	1	2	3	4	5
%A1c	4	6			
A-1-AGP	50	120			
A1-AT	84	200			
Acet	10	30			
ACP	0	6			
AlbG	3.5	5			
AlbP	3.5	5			
AlkP	40	150			
ALT	0	55			
Amikacin	5	25			
Ammonia	18	72			
AmpQ		1000			
AmpSQ		1000			
Amy	25	125			
Amy-U	1	17			
Anti-CCP		5.0			
Anti-HCV		0.8			
Anti-TG	0	4.11			
Anti-TPO	0	5.61			
ApoA	95	223			
ApoB	49	182			

Editing class Architect

Key: /SF/

Most pass/fail options selected

Non-Hematology Hematology

Analyte Parameters - Key

Settings for all status modules EXCEPT Hematology Method Comparison.

Edit

Analyte	Allowable Total Error		Error	Reportable	Low Proximity Limit		High Proximity Limit		Normal Range		Medical Decision Points					
	Conc	Pct			Conc	Pct	Conc	Pct	Low	High	1	2	3	4		
%A1c	1.0	25	5			50		10	4	6	4	6				
A-1-AGP	16.2	50				50		10	50	120	50	120				
A1-AT	20	50				50		10	84	200	84	200				
Acet	25	50	25	3	377	50		10	10	30	10	30				
ACP	10.3	50	25	0.8	87.9	50		10	0	6	0	6				
AlbG	10	50	25	0.4	10.5	50		10	3.5	5	3.5	5				
AlbP	10	50	25	0.4	11.0	50		10	3.5	5	3.5	5				
AlkP	30	50	25	5	4555	50		10	40	150	40	150				
ALT	20	50	25	6	4113	50		10	0	55	0	55				
Amikacin	14	50	25	1.0	50.0	50		10	5	25	5	25				
Ammonia	3	10	50	25	4.70	997.90		50	10	18	72	18	72			
AmpQ	30	50	25			50		10					1000			
AmpSQ	30	50	25			50		10					1000			

Editing class Architect

optional, depend on modules and options selected

Linearity sets

The prefix for the specIDs when run on the analyzer

* Starred material
Click Edit with the mouse
Click Edit on a keyboard
Bolded items can be edited.

F2 Edit

Analyte	01	02	03	04	05
1 %A1c	4.0	8.0	12.4	16.6	21.2
2 Acet	0	47	95	142	190
3 AlbG	1.5	2.6	3.8	4.9	6.0
4 AlbP	1.5	2.6	3.8	4.9	6.0
5 Ammonia	28	174	321	467	613
6 ApoA	10	346	643	1000	1299
7 ApoB	0	134	274	378	487
8 ASO	20	544	853	1276	1828
9 BilD	0.1	3.0	5.9	8.8	11.7
10 BilT	0.1	5.7	11.3	16.8	22.4
11 BilT	0.1	5.7	11.3	16.8	22.4
12 Ca	1.6	5.1	8.6	12.1	15.6
13 CA 15-3	16	283	550	817	1084
14 CaC	1.6	5.1	8.6	12.1	15.6
15 CEA	9.3	399	789	1179	1569

Select Analytes OK Cancel Help

Audit-01
Audit-02
Audit-03
Audit-04



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Exploring the Modules

EP Evaluator Release 9 [Default]

File Edit Module Experiment RRE ERI View Utilities Tools Help

Project- Default

Statistical Modules

Precision

Simple
Complex (incl CLSI EP5)

Accuracy
Linearity

Method
Comparison

Sensitivity

Reference
Interval

INR

Other

Tutorial

Let's look at what modules are available in each of the buttons. Our first module is Precision.

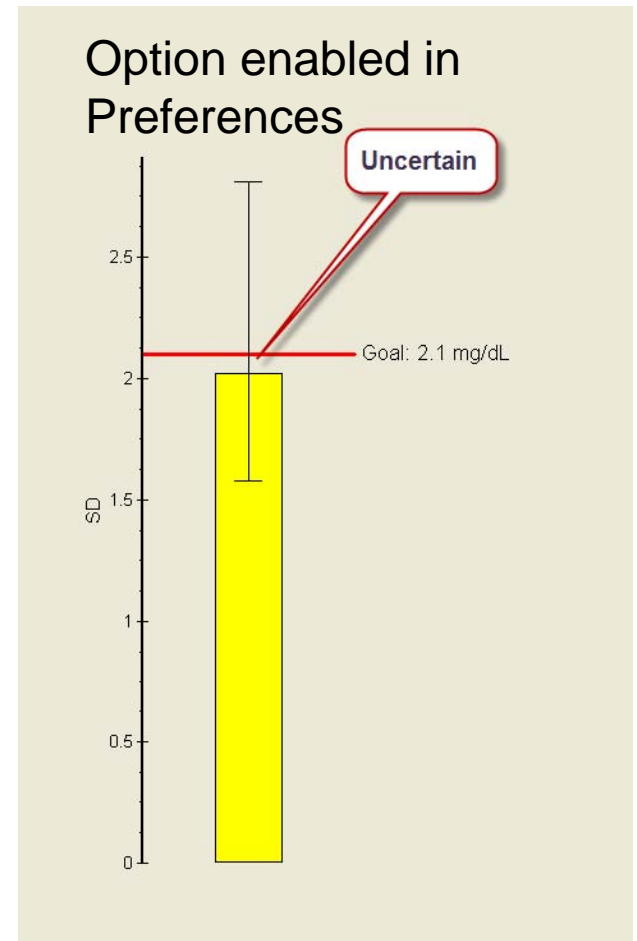
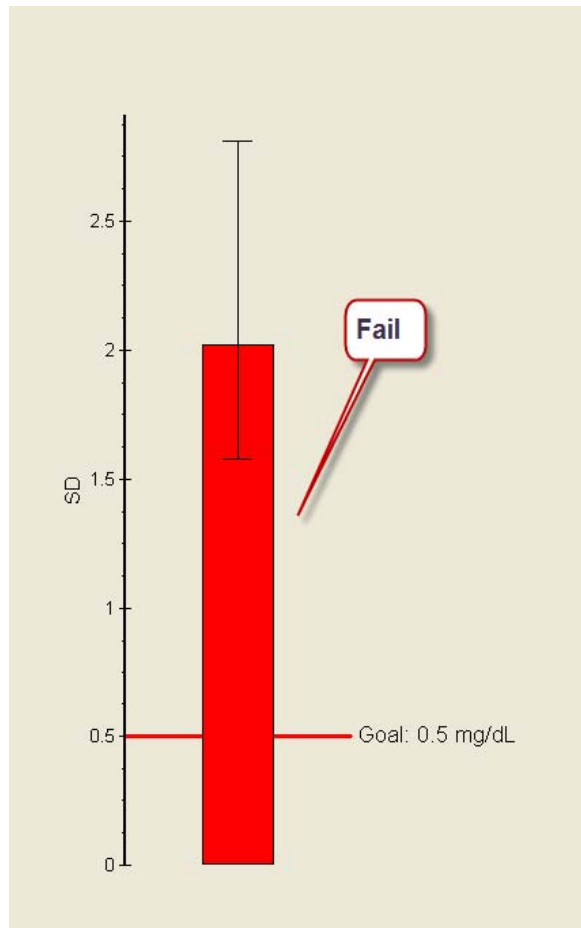
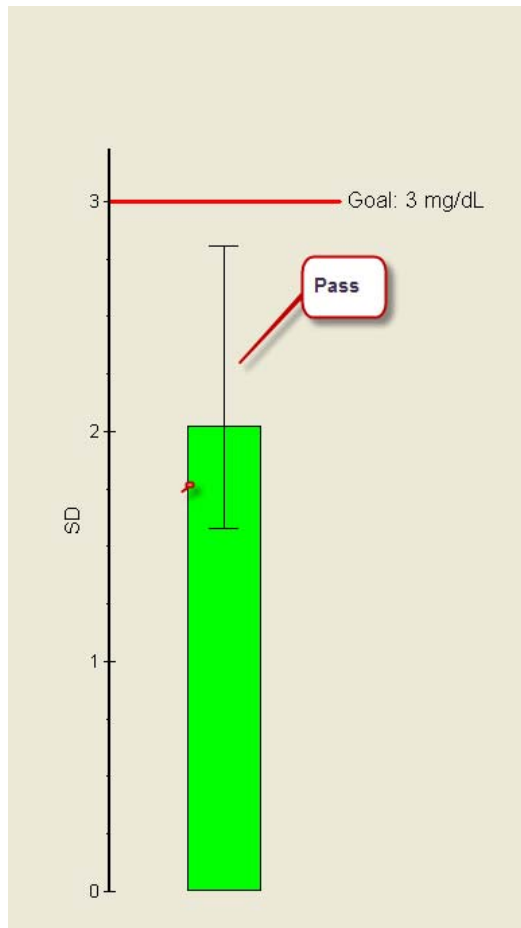
Simple Precision is the traditional precision analysis done in clinical laboratories. It calculates mean, SD and CV.

Complex Precision calculates within run, between run, between day and total precision, using an ANOVA Approach. The CLSI EP5 is a subset of this module.

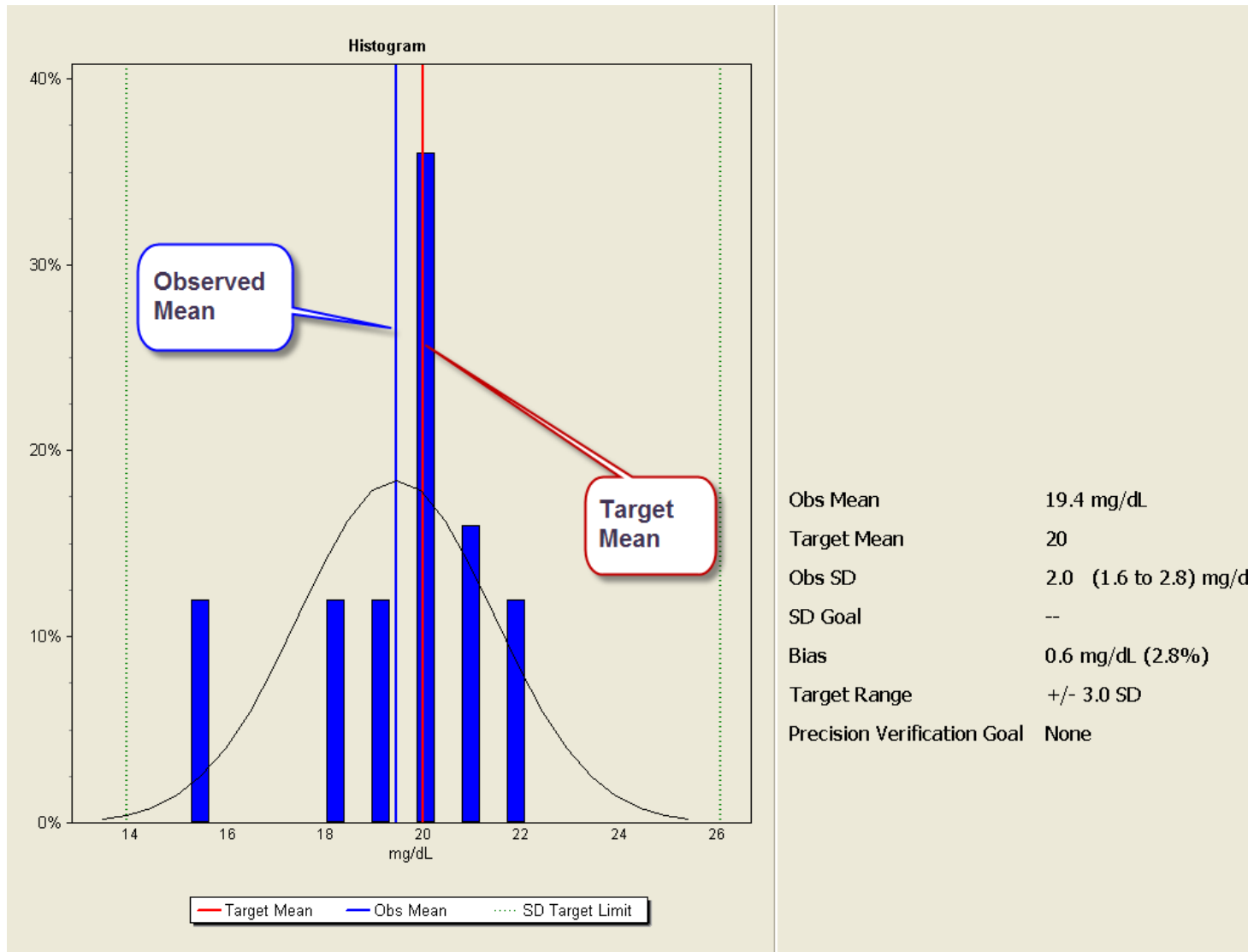
Simple Precision Enhancements implemented in EE10.1

- A preference option changes Pass/Fail reporting to Pass/Fail/Uncertain.
 - The uncertainty of the accuracy of the SD is described by the 95% confidence limits. The uncertainty becomes smaller as the number of values in the experiment increases.
 - the experiment will be designated “uncertain” if the SD goal is within the 95% Confidence Interval (CI) around the observed SD.
- Two features that will help verify new control lot ranges.
 - User defined target mean as well as a target SD goal,
 - Enable a histogram to display the range of observed data relative to the observed or target mean.

Pass / Fail / Uncertain



Histogram of Precision data



Statistical Modules

Precision

Accuracy and Linearity

Met Comp

Linearity and Calibration Verification
 Simple Accuracy
 EP6 Linearity
Trueness

Sensitivity

Reference Interval

Coag

Other

[Tutorial](#)

Linearity and Calibration Verification

Assesses accuracy, reportable range, and linearity by analyzing more than 3 specimens with predefined concentrations.

Simple Accuracy

Assesses accuracy by testing whether replicate measurements lie within a predefined target range.

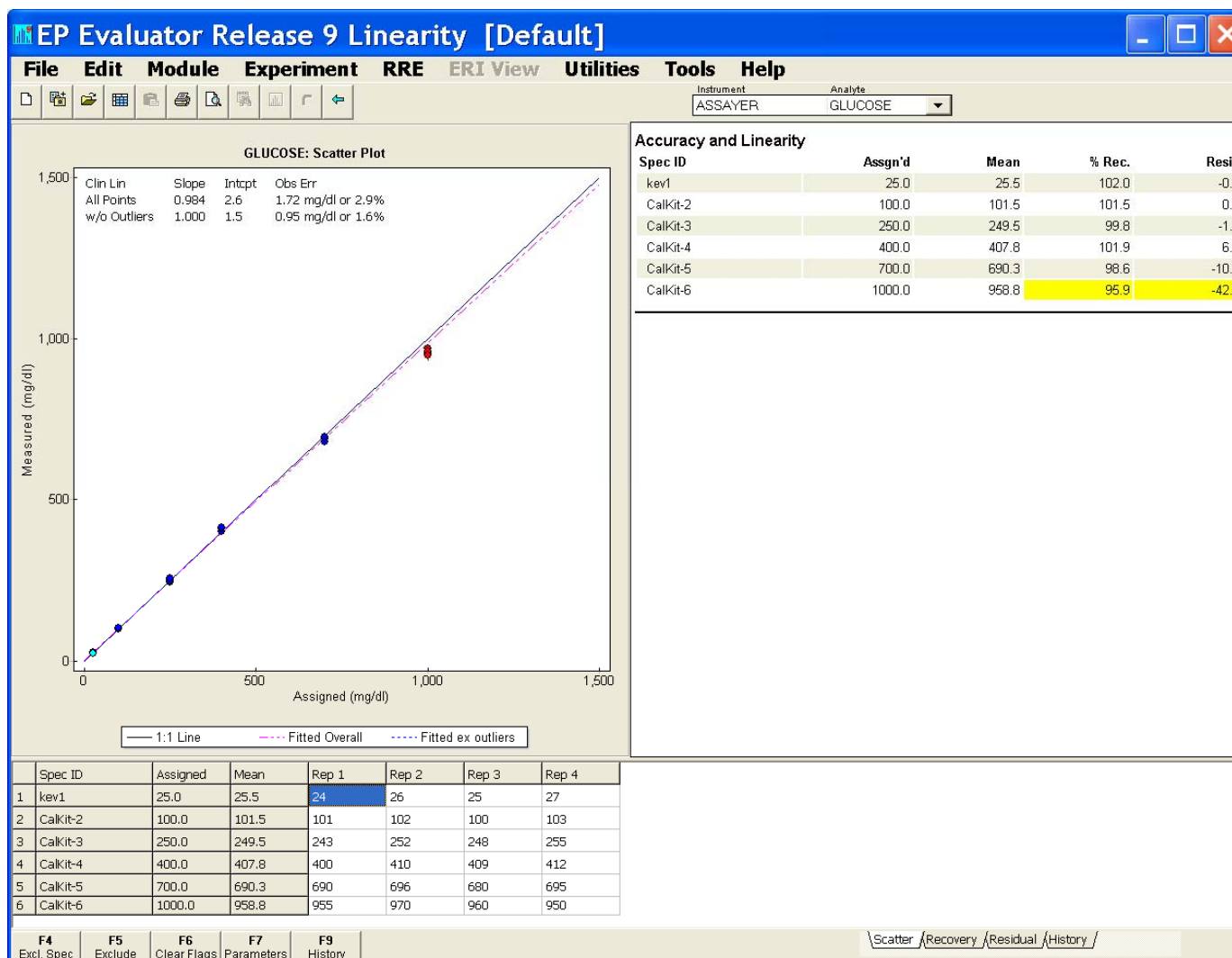
EP6 Linearity Verifies linearity using the CLSI EP6 protocol that offers polynomial regression

Trueness: satisfies the French COFRAC requirement, and the ISO 15819 recommendation to assess Trueness and Uncertainty

Linearity, Calibration Verification Module

- Satisfies all CLIA requirements –
- Uses Total error (TEA) and SEA (bias) for pass/fail criteria
 - TEA may need a conc component if testing low values
- Report Options
 - Calibration verification.
 - Includes accuracy, reportable range
 - Accuracy
 - Accuracy Passes if all levels (mean value – assigned) less than SEA
 - Clinical Linearity (an EP Evaluator exclusive)
 - Linearity PASSES if: a straight line can be drawn through the SEA error bars around each measured mean value.
 - Reportable range fails if
 - low or high mean recovery fails accuracy test
 - Assigned values not within proximity limits
 - Can choose linearity, accuracy reportable range separately

A typical Linearity Experiment



EP Evaluator Release 9 [Default]

File Edit Module Experiment RRE ERI View Utilities Tools Help

Project- Default

Statistical Modules

- Precision
- Accuracy and Linearity
 - Linearity and Calibration Verification
 - Simple Accuracy
 - EP6 Linearity
- Met Comp
- Sensitivity
- Reference Interval
- INR
- Other
- Tutorial

Accuracy, Linearity and Calibration Verification

Simple Accuracy
Assesses accuracy and reportable range by testing whether replicates of 2 or more specimens are within a predefined target range.

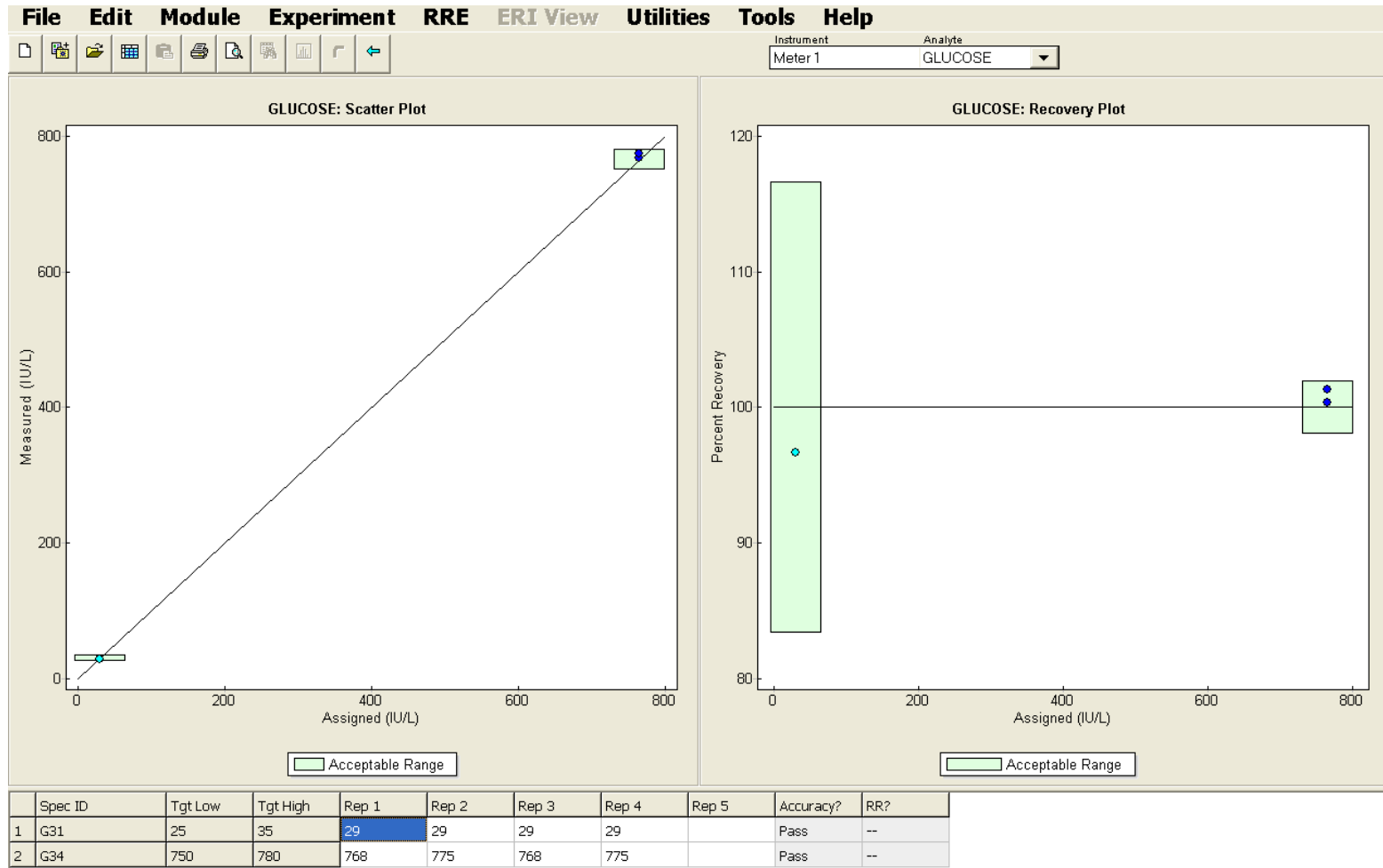
Accuracy linearity Group

- Simple Accuracy –
 - Only need 2 controls or standards
 - Specify a TARGET Range for acceptability.
 - Addresses needs of Coag and POCT departments
- CLSI EP6
 - Uses a polynomial best fit curve and compares to linear regression...
 - Used by IVD vendors to establish linearity claim.
 - Allows entry of allowable “deviation” from linearity as a Percent of TEA.

Simple Accuracy –

- Good for Coag and POCT departments
- Minimum of 2 controls or standards
- TARGET Ranges provided by Manufacturer define acceptability for accuracy and reportable range.
- Assesses Accuracy and Reportable Range
- PASS or FAIL

Simple Accuracy



Set up Target ranges.

Simple Accuracy Parameters

Instrument: **Eximer 250** Analyte: **Glucose**

Units: **mg/dL** Analyst: **mkf** Date: **16 Jul 2009**

Max decimal places: **Auto** Confirm Reportable Range

Reportable Range

	Concentration	Proximity Limits Conc	Pct
Low Limit	20		50
High Limit	625		10

Specimens and Assigned Values

L1	28.2
L2	281.1
L3	578.6

Edit

Specimens and Assigned ...

	Spec ID	Tgt Low	Tgt High
1	L1	28.2	35.6
2	L2	281.1	297.5
3	L3	578.6	612.2
4			
5			
6			
7			
8			

Report Summary

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Simple Accuracy Summary

<i>Instrument</i>	<i>Analyte</i>	<i>Range Tested</i>	<i># Levels</i>	<i>Accuracy</i>	<i>Rpt. Range</i>	<i>Accept</i>
Meter 1	✗ GLUCOSE	30 to 765 IU/L	2	Pass	1 of 2 Fail	_____
Meter 10	✓ GLUCOSE	30 to 765 IU/L	2	Pass	Pass	_____
Meter 2	✗ GLUCOSE	30 to 765 IU/L	2	Pass	1 of 2 Fail	_____
Meter 3	✓ GLUCOSE	30 to 765 IU/L	2	Pass	Pass	_____
Meter 4	✓ GLUCOSE	30 to 765 IU/L	2	Pass	Pass	_____
Meter 5	✗ GLUCOSE	30 to 765 IU/L	2	Pass	1 of 2 Fail	_____
Meter 6	✓ GLUCOSE	30 to 765 IU/L	2	Pass	Pass	_____
Meter 7	✓ GLUCOSE	30 to 765 IU/L	2	Pass	Pass	_____
Meter 8	✓ GLUCOSE	30 to 765 IU/L	2	Pass	Pass	_____
Meter 9	✓ GLUCOSE	30 to 765 IU/L	2	Pass	Pass	_____

CLSI EP6

- Implements CLSI EP06-A
- Program picks the best poly fit
- Bartlett's test to check for consistent SD or CV%
- Scatter plot and residual plot

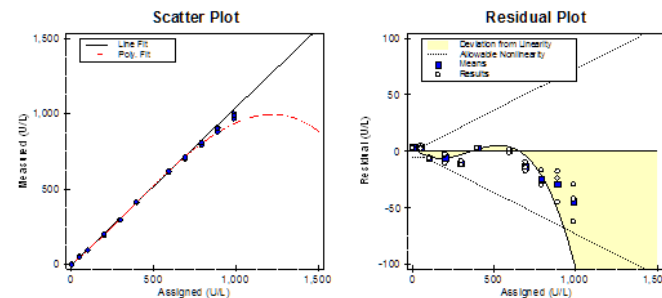
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CLSI EP6 Linearity



Data IS NOT linear within allowable nonlinearity of 5 U/L (conc) or 7.0%
 Fit of polynomial to data is poor ($p < 0.001$)
 Power of test to detect nonlinearity is poor (ratio=0.2)

Statistical Analysis

Specimen	Assigned Value	Mean	Poly. Fit	Line Fit	Deviation from Linearity	Deviation Percent
0	0.3	0.3	0.3	-3.3	3.6	***
1	49.8	52.3	46.8	48.4	-1.6	-3.3
2	98.8	94.3	95.3	100.0	-4.7	-4.7
3	197.2	198.0	197.2	203.1	-5.9	-2.9
4	295.6	298.0	303.4	308.3	-2.9	-0.9
5	394.1	412.7	411.2	409.8	1.7	0.4
6	490.9	617.0	620.1	615.9	4.2	0.7
7	689.4	705.7	715.7	719.2	-3.5	-0.5
8	787.8	797.7	801.6	822.3	-20.7	-2.5
9	886.2	897.0	875.2	925.5	-50.3	-5.4
10	984.7	984.7	933.6	1028.8	-95.2	-9.3

***: Absolute value > 99% x: Excluded o: Exceeds allowable nonlinearity

Evaluation Criteria

Allowable Total Error (TEa)	10 U/L (conc) or 14.0%
% for Nonlinearity	50%
Allowable Nonlinearity	5 U/L (conc) or 7.0%
Use weighted regression?	If applicable

Supporting Data

Slope	1.048 (1.039 to 1.058)
Intercept	-3.6 (-6.1 to -1.1)
Analyst	DH/LP
Date	21 Oct 2011
Units	U/L
Value Mode	Pre-Assigned
Controls	--
Reagents	--
Calibrators	--
Comment	

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CLSI EP6 Linearity

Experimental Results

Specimen	Mean	SD	CV	Measured Concentrations		
				1	2	3
0	0.3	0.6	173.2	1	0	0
1	52.3	1.5	2.9	54	52	51
2	94.3	0.6	0.6	95	94	94
3	198.0	4.4	2.2	200	193	201
4	296.0	1.7	0.6	298	295	295
5	412.7	0.6	0.1	413	412	413
6	617.0	1.7	0.3	618	615	618
7	705.7	4.0	0.6	705	702	710
8	797.7	7.2	0.9	794	793	806
9	897.0	14.2	1.6	881	908	902
10	984.7	16.6	1.7	967	1000	987
Pooled		7.2	52.2			
Degrees of Freedom		22	22			
Bartlett's p		0.000	0.000			
Accept equality hypothesis?		No	No			

x: Excluded

Polynomial Fit Analysis

Polynomial	Coefficients and their T statistics				Std Error of Estimate	"Best" Polynomial
	Constant	X	X^2	X^3		
Line	-3.609 2.9	1.048 218.9			4.906	
2nd Order	-3.289 2.3	1.041 69.8	1.456E-005 0.5 (*)		4.966	
3rd Order	0.05346 0.1 (*)	0.9183 56.1	0.0005089 8.6	-4.861E-007 8.6	2.673	Best

Analysis based on weighted regression. Standard error expressed as a multiple of imprecision SD
 (*) Statistically equivalent to zero

Trueness Module

- In the Linearity Accuracy Group
- Satisfies the Trueness, Accuracy and Uncertainty *requirements* for COFRAC certification in France.
- Satisfies the ISO 15189 *recommendation* to assess trueness and uncertainty of laboratory instruments performing analyses of biological fluids

Acronyms used in Trueness

- EQA – External Quality Assessment
 - Proficiency testing programs like CAP, New York State, EQAS.
- EQC – External Quality Control programs like Biorad Unity Realtime, MAS, ...
- IQC: Internal Quality Control
 - The labs daily QC Overall mean
 - Typically at least 2 levels
 - Could be the same as the EQC material

ISO Definitions -

- Trueness
 - the closeness of agreement between the average value obtained from a **large** series of test results and an accepted reference value (also the mean of a huge set of data)
 - Data Source: EQC (like Biorad Unity) – monthly summary compared to peer or All method group mean.
 - Monthly summary expressed as mean +/- SD
- Accuracy
 - closeness of agreement between a (**single**) measured quantity value and a true quantity value of a measurand.
 - Data Source : EQA (PT surveys)
 - Single lab value compared to group mean (peer or All method)
 - Imprecision is embedded in the single lab result.

New Definitions

- Measurand:

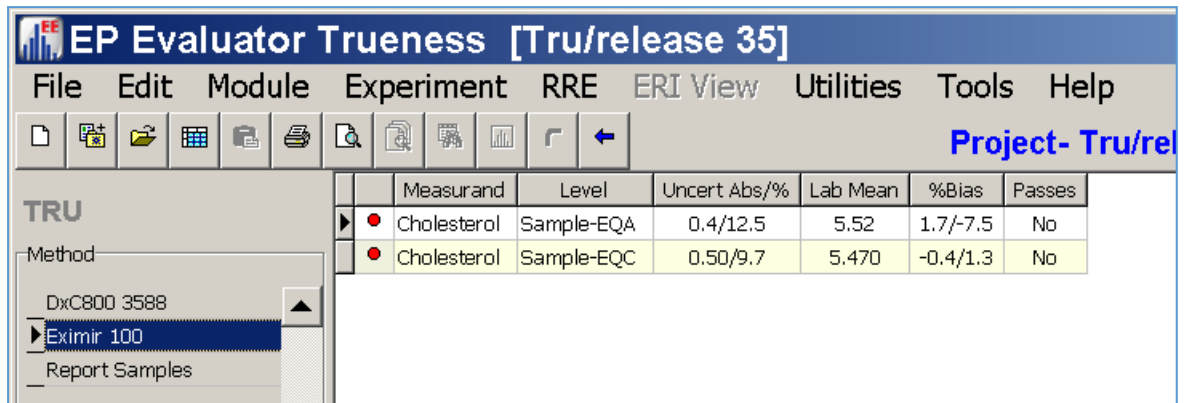
- The analyte in it's milieu - like fluid type
- Urine glucose
- Serum glucose
- CSF glucose

- Uncertainty

- Characterization of the dispersion of the values attributed to the measurand.
- components of uncertainty might include precision, bias, drift, carryover. Calibration variation, etc.
- EE only uses precision and bias.

Module Overview Screen Trueness

- Gray column
 - Module name in Gray in upper left.
 - All methods with experiments are listed
- White grid:
 - For each method Lists all experiments with basic stats. their status: pass, fail, not calculated, etc.
- Experiment: one *Measurand*
- Double click experiment to open it



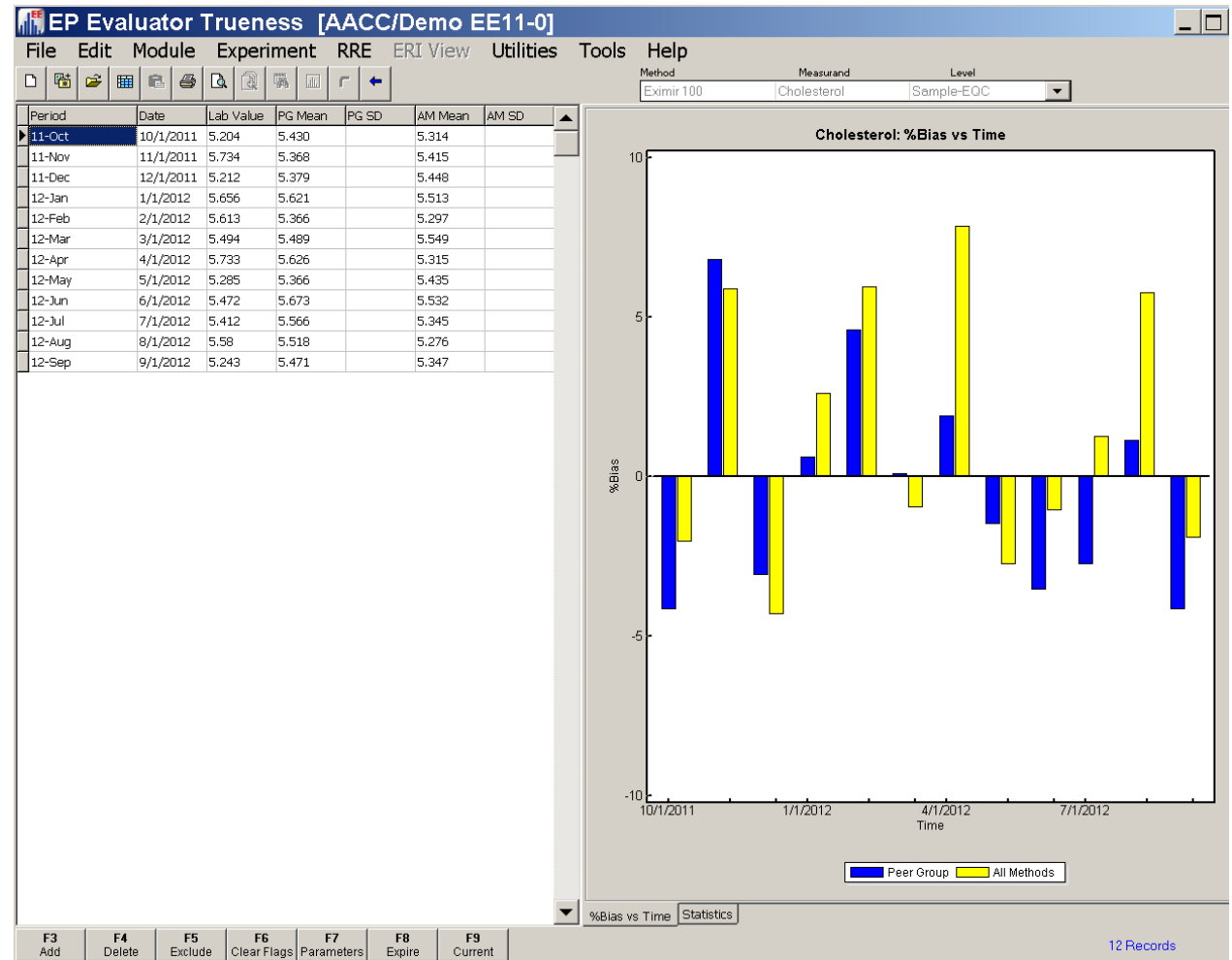
The screenshot shows the 'EP Evaluator Trueness [Tru/release 35]' software interface. The title bar includes the application name and version. The menu bar contains 'File', 'Edit', 'Module', 'Experiment', 'RRE', 'ERI View', 'Utilities', 'Tools', and 'Help'. Below the menu bar is a toolbar with various icons. The main window displays a table with the following data:

	Measurand	Level	Uncert Abs/%	Lab Mean	%Bias	Passes
▶	Cholesterol	Sample-EQA	0.4/12.5	5.52	1.7/-7.5	No
▶	Cholesterol	Sample-EQC	0.50/9.7	5.470	-0.4/1.3	No

On the left side of the window, there is a 'Method' list with the following items: 'DxC800 3588', '▶ Eximir 100', and 'Report Samples'. The 'Eximir 100' item is currently selected and highlighted in blue.

Experiment Detail Screen

- One row for each comparative event
- Data Entry
 - SpecID
 - Date / period
 - Lab Value
 - Peer mean
 - Peer SD
 - All meth mean
 - All meth SD
- Observed statistics
- Tabs for Graphs, charts, statistics



Trueness Module Key Statistics

- Trueness Report using EQC Data
 - A single level experiment
 - Overall bias to peer or all method selected group
 - Overall Uncertainty
 - Specimen uncertainty if selected group reports SD
 - %bias vs time for **both groups** when data available
 - Sigma calculation of lab data
- Accuracy Report using EQA data
 - Experiment can have multiple levels
 - Overall bias to peer or all method selected group
 - Overall Uncertainty
 - Specimen uncertainty if selected group reports SD
 - %bias vs selected group
 - %bias vs time for selected group
 - Scatter plot if multi-level experiment
 - Uncertainty plot

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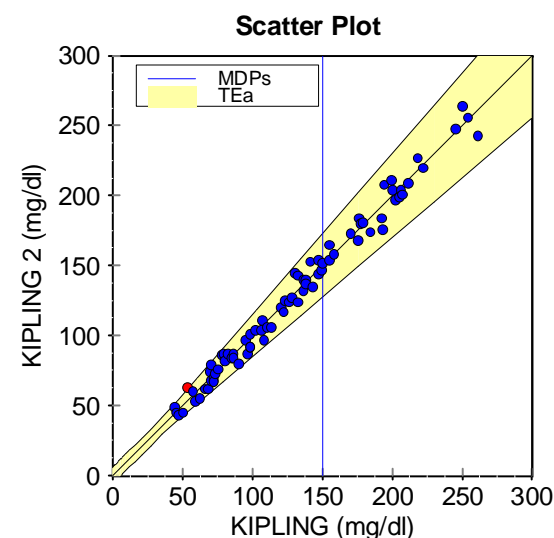
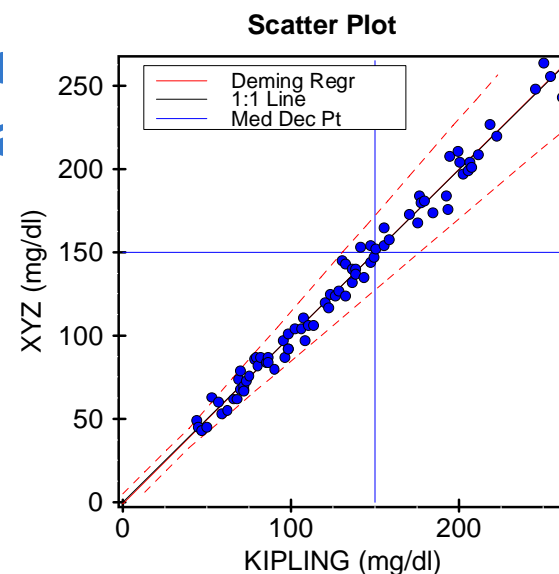
AMC Alternate Method Comparison - Uses Linear regression techniques to characterize the relationship between two methods.

CLSI-EP-9 - Implements the statistically rugged CLSI-EP-9 protocol using duplicate measurements to compare 2 methods using Linear regression.

2-IC Two Instrument Comparison. Without using linear regression, clinical equivalency can be demonstrated between 2 methods in the same Peer group that are expected to provide equivalent results within allowable error. (TEA)

Method Comparison Validation vs Harmonization

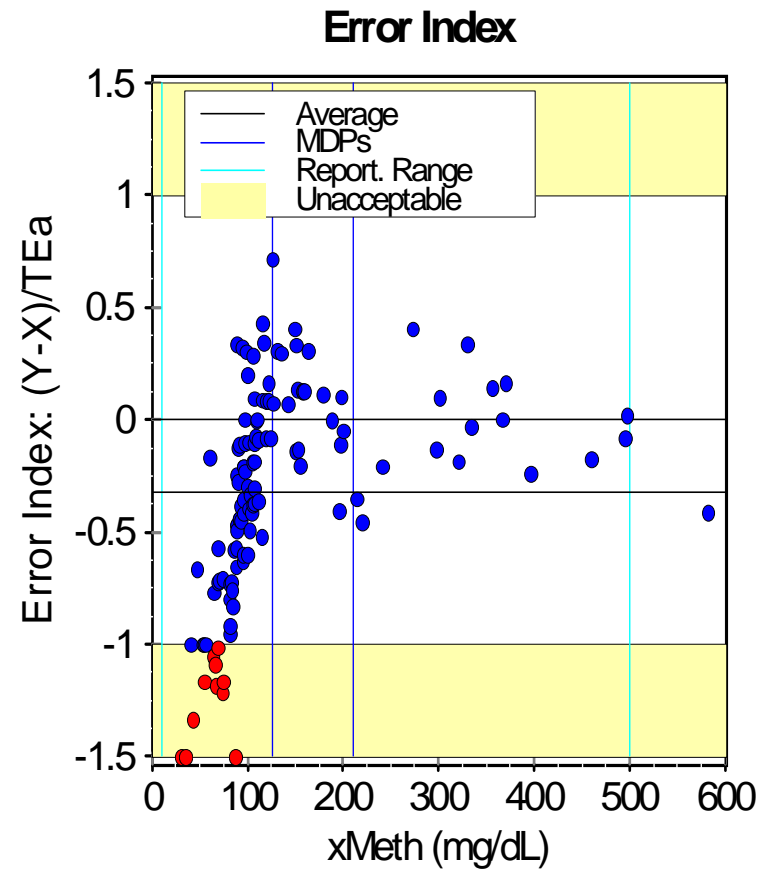
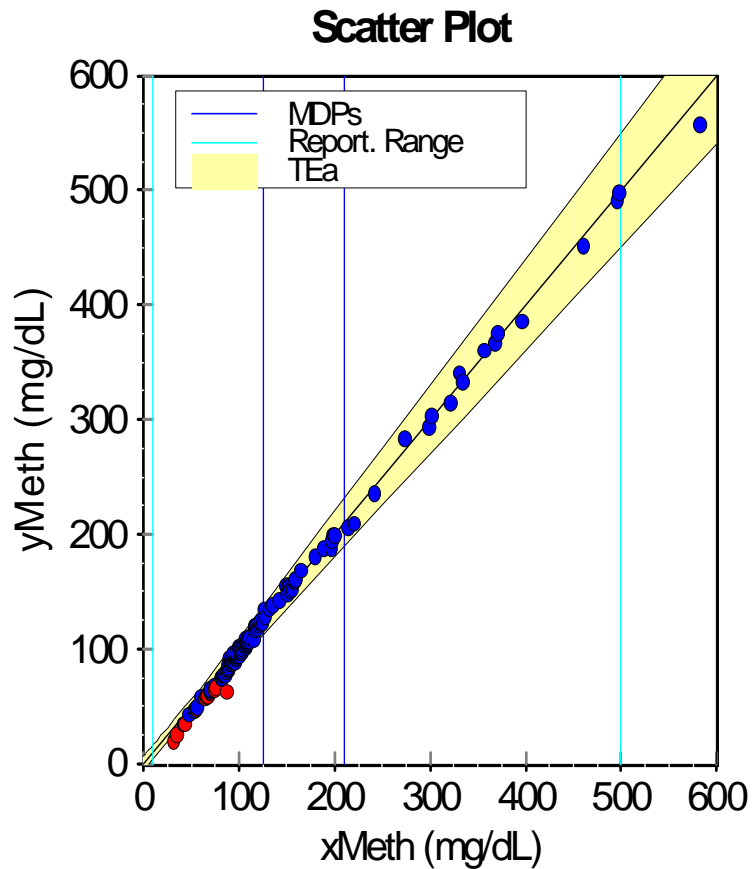
- Method Validation
 - 2 methods not expected to be statistically identical
 - Relationship defined by regression line slope and intercept
 - Alternate Method Comparison - AMC
- Method Harmonization
 - Methods expected to be clinically identical
 - Relationship defined by agreement within allowable error (TEA)
 - 2 Instrument Comparison 2IC
 - Multiple instrument Comparison module – MIC



Method Comparison - Harmonization

- Semi-annual CLIA requirement
- Production methods for the same test on multiple instruments must produce clinically identical results.
- Simple Pass/Fail answer.
- Avoids issues with interpretation of slope, intercept and correlation coefficients.
- 2IC - for 2 Instrument Comparison
- MIC - for Multiple Instrument Comparison

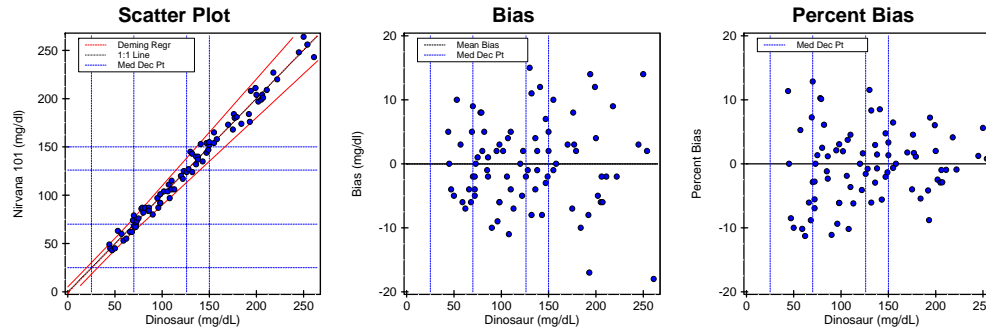
Harmonization Plots



Alternate (Quantitative) Method Comparison

X Method: Dinosaur

Y Method: Nirvana 101



Regression Analysis

	Deming	Regular
Slope:	1.007 (0.980 to 1.034)	1.002 (0.975 to 1.029)
Intercept:	-1.0 (-4.7 to 2.8)	-0.3 (-4.1 to 3.5)
Std Err Est:	6.8	6.8

95% Confidence Intervals are shown in parentheses

Medical Decision Point Analysis

Calculated by Deming Regression (R>=0.9)

X Method MDP	Y Method Pred. MDP	95% Conf. Limits	
		Low	High
25	24.2	21.0	27.4
70	69.5	67.3	71.7
126	125.9	124.4	127.4
150	150.1	148.5	151.7
300	301.1	296.3	306.0

Supporting Statistics

Corr Coef (R): 0.9929
 Bias: 0.0
 X Mean ± SD: 129.4 ± 56.1
 Y Mean ± SD: 129.3 ± 56.7
 Std Dev Diff: 6.7
 SubRange Bounds: None
 Points (Plotted/Total): 82/82
 Outliers: None
 Scatter Plot Bounds: Allowable Error 6.0 mg/dl or 10.0%

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MIC - Compares 3 - 30 instruments without using linear regression, by assessing results compared to a target, within allowable error (TEA)

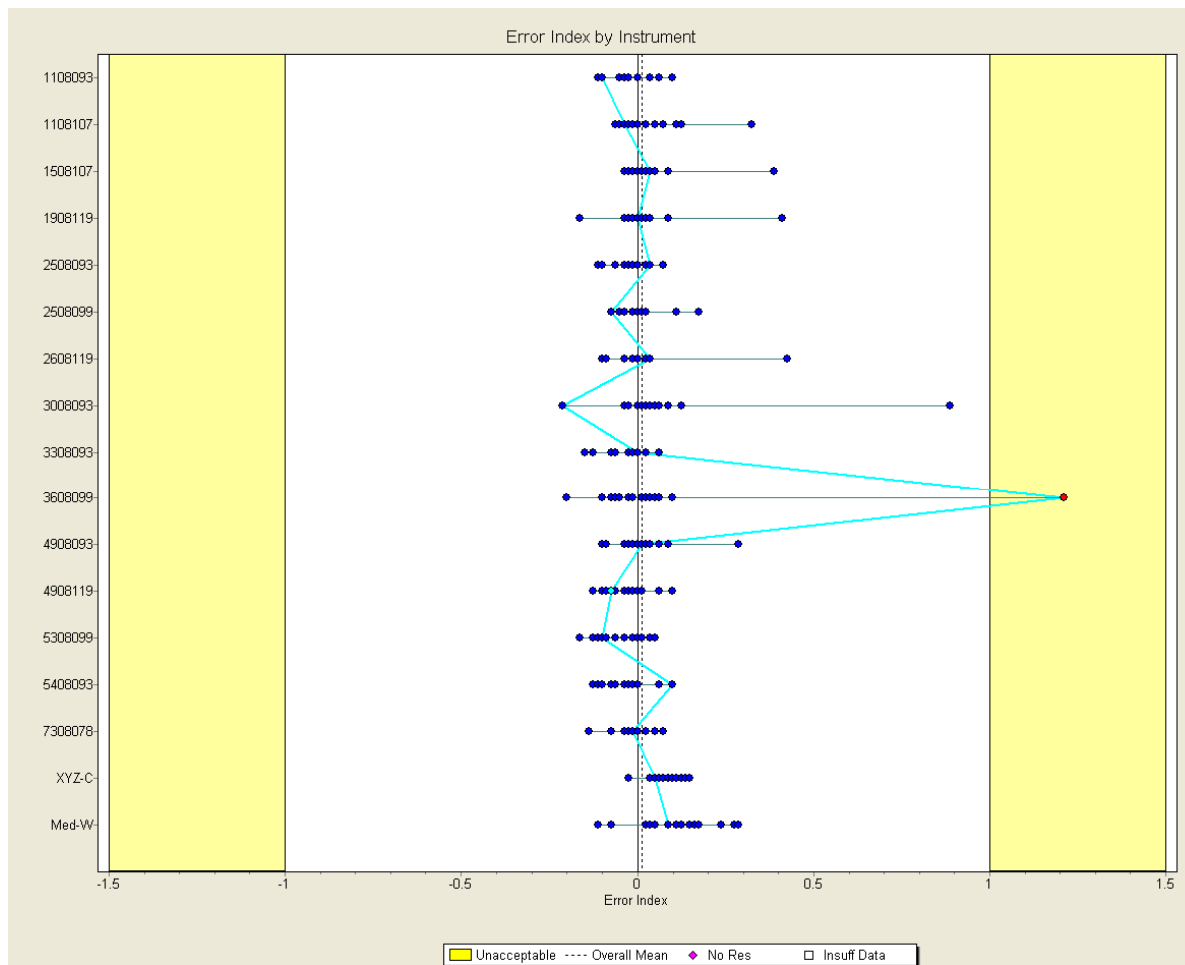
Method Comparison – MIC

Multiple Instrument Comparison

- One analyte
- 3 to 30 instruments* on a single page
- As few as 3 specimens
- Some missing results allowed
- Compare POC devices to Core lab, or each other
- Specimens pass if results within Allowable error
- See at a glance which devices may have issues

* TIP: You can compare instruments, methods, reagent lots, technologist performance, etc.

All instruments on 1 page



Results Listing

- By instrument
- Observed error to target
- Allowable error
- Error index
- F = Failed point

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Glucose
Experiment: lab

Multiple Instrument Comparison

Results Listing

Spec.	Result	Target	Obs. Error	Allow Error	Error Index	Spec.	Result	Target	Obs. Error	Allow Error	Error Index
1108093						16	26	22.85	3.15	±8.00	0.39
1108093, S/N 1108093						17	23.9	23.45	0.45	±8.00	0.06
1	3.1	2.80	0.30	±8.00	0.04	1908119					
19	5.1	5.10	0.00	±8.00	0.00	1908119, S/N 1908119					
20	5.6	5.55	0.05	±8.00	0.01	1	2.9	2.80	0.10	±8.00	0.01
3	6.3	6.00	0.30	±8.00	0.04	19	5.1	5.10	0.00	±8.00	0.00
5	7.7	7.90	-0.20	±8.00	-0.03	20	5.8	5.55	0.25	±8.00	0.03
4	8.2	7.90	0.30	±8.00	0.04	3	5.8	6.00	-0.20	±8.00	-0.03
2	8.8	9.00	-0.20	±8.00	-0.02	5	8.7	7.90	0.80	±8.00	0.10
6	10.8	11.10	-0.30	±8.00	-0.04	4	7.8	7.90	-0.10	±8.00	-0.01
7	12.5	12.50	0.00	±8.00	0.00	2	9.1	9.00	0.10	±8.00	0.01
8	13.8	13.80	0.00	±8.00	0.00	6	11.3	11.10	0.20	±8.00	0.03
9	15.3	15.30	0.00	±8.00	0.00	7	12.5	12.50	0.00	±8.00	0.00
10	17.4	17.10	0.30	±8.00	0.04	8	13.8	13.80	0.00	±8.00	0.00
11	17.6	17.60	0.00	±8.00	0.00	9	15.3	15.30	0.00	±8.00	0.00
12	19.1	18.60	0.50	±8.00	0.06	10	17.1	17.10	0.00	±8.00	0.00
13	20.1	19.75	0.35	±8.00	0.04	11	17.3	17.60	-0.30	±8.00	-0.04
14	21.5	20.65	0.85	±8.00	0.11	12	18.3	18.60	-0.30	±8.00	-0.04
15	21.5	22.30	-0.80	±8.00	-0.10	13	23.1	19.75	3.35	±8.00	0.42
18	22.6	22.60	0.00	±8.00	0.00	14	21.0	20.65	0.35	±8.00	0.04
16	22.0	22.85	-0.85	±8.00	-0.11	15	22.3	22.30	0.00	±8.00	0.00
17	23.9	23.45	0.45	±8.00	0.06	18	22.8	22.60	0.20	±8.00	0.02
1108107						16	23.1	22.85	0.25	±8.00	0.03
1108107, S/N 1108107						17	22.3	23.45	-1.15	±8.00	-0.14
1	2.8	2.80	0.00	±8.00	0.00	2508093					
19	5.1	5.10	0.00	±8.00	0.00	2508093, S/N 2508093					
20	5.3	5.55	-0.25	±8.00	-0.03	1	2.7	2.80	-0.10	±8.00	-0.01
3	5.8	6.00	-0.20	±8.00	-0.03	19	4.9	5.10	-0.20	±8.00	-0.02
5	8.0	7.90	0.10	±8.00	0.01	20	5.4	5.55	-0.15	±8.00	-0.02
4	8.1	7.90	0.20	±8.00	0.02	3	5.8	6.00	-0.20	±8.00	-0.03
2	9.4	9.00	0.40	±8.00	0.05	5	7.8	7.90	-0.10	±8.00	-0.01
6	11.0	11.10	-0.10	±8.00	-0.01						

Parameters Screen – Edit Instrument List

MIC Parameters [X]

Expt Name: **lab** Analyte: **Glucose**

Units: **mg/dL** Max decimal places: **Auto** Analyst: **CRL** Date: **16 Jun 2011**

Allowable Total Error (TEa)

Concentration	Percent
<input type="text" value="8"/>	<input type="text" value="12"/>

Reportable Range

Low Limit:	High Limit:
<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="50"/>

Instruments

1108093	1108093
1108107	1108107
1508107	1508107
1908119	1908119
2508093	2508093
2508099	2508099
2608119	2608119
3008093	3008093

Edit

Comment:

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Instruments [X]

	Name	Description	Model	Serial No.
4	1908119	1908119		1908119
5	2508093	2508093		2508093
6	2508099	2508099		2508099
7	2608119	2608119		2608119
8	3008093	3008093		3008093
9	3308093	3308093		3308093
10	3608099	3608099		3608099
11	4908093	4908093		4908093
12	4908119	4908119		4908119
13	5308099	5308099		5308099
14	5408093	5408093		5408093
15	7308078	7308078		7308078
16 T	XYZ-C	Eximer XYZ		XYZ Core

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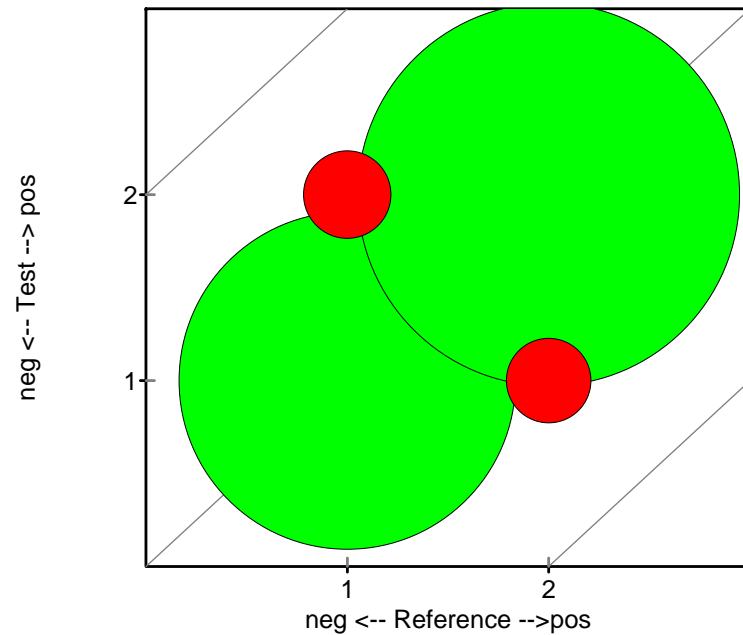
QMC - Produces a concordance table that evaluates the degree of agreement between 2 methods that report two to six possible result states.

Method Comparison – Qualitative

- At least 20 specimens as 2 states
 - N or P is Default or
 - User defined labels
- Calculations
 - If One method is specified as a gold standard
 - specificity and sensitivity are calculated
 - If Neither method is a gold standard.
 - Only relationship of the two methods is calculated,
 - Degree of agreement - % positive, % negative
 - Probability of the differences being due to “chance”
 - Symmetry or “bias” of the disagreements

QMC – Qualitative Method Comparison

- Evaluates the degree of concordance between two qualitative or semi-quantitative methods.
- Includes CLSI EP12
- Colorful bubble chart – size of bubbles proportional to number of points
- Concordance or truth tables



Statistical Summary

	Negative Reference	Positive Reference	Total
Negative Test	222	14	236
Positive Test	15	286	301
Total	237	300	537

Number excluded or missing: 0

Data Entry – Gold Standard

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Test: NCCLSEx2 Reference: Immunochromatic Analyte: ELISA

SpecID	Ref	Test
S00001	N	N
S00002	N	N
S00003	N	N
S00004	P	P
S00005	P	P
S00006	N	N
S00007	N	N
S00008	P	N
S00009	P	P
S00010	P	P
S00011	N	P
S00012	N	N
S00013	P	P
S00014	P	P
S00015	N	N
S00016	N	N
S00017	P	P
S00018	N	N
S00019	P	P
S00020	P	P
S00021	N	N
S00022	N	N
S00023	N	N
S00024	P	P
S00025	N	N
S00026	N	N
S00027	P	P
S00028	P	P
S00029	N	N
S00030	N	N
S00031	N	N
S00032	N	N

Reference	Test
1 Negative (N)	Negative (N)
2 Positive (P)	Positive (P)

Test	Reference		Total
	1 (neg)	2 (pos)	
1 (neg)	222	14	236
2 (pos)	15	285	300
Total	237	299	536

Number excluded or missing: 0

Agreement: 94.6% (92.3 to 96.2%) Pos Agreement: 95.3% Neg Agreement: 93.7%

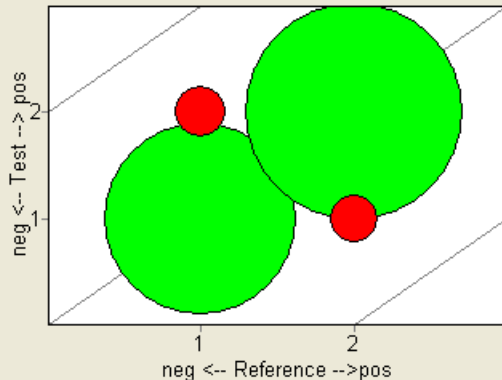
Sensitivity: 95.3% (92.3 to 97.2%) Pred. Value Pos: 95.0% Pred. Value Neg: 94.1%

Specificity: 93.7% (89.8 to 96.1%) Prevalence: 55.8%

Enter 2 state results

Gold standard

Not Gold Standard



	Reference	Test
1	Negative (N)	Negative (N)
2	Positive (P)	Positive (P)

Test	Reference		Total
	1 (neg)	2 (pos)	
1 (neg)	222	14	236
2 (pos)	15	285	300
Total	237	299	536

Agreement: 94.6% (92.3 to 96.2%)
 Symmetry test PASSES (p = 0.853)
 Kappa: 89.0% (85.1 to 92.9%)

Number excluded or missing: 0

Pos Agreement: 95.3%
 Test < Ref: 14 (2.6%)

Neg Agreement: 93.7%
 Test > Ref: 15 (2.8%)

Experimental Design

Semi-Quantitative

Custom Results Codes

- Up to 6 User defined 'states'
 - Alphanumeric i.e., Equivocal, gray zone
 - Numeric cutoff values
- User defined Labels

	Reference	Test
1	<=100	<=100
2	101 to 200	101 to 200
3	201 to 300	201 to 300
4	301 to 400	301 to 450
5	401 to 500	451 to 550
6	>500	>550

Define Results Coding

Levels (2-6)

Define the levels in order from least positive to most positive. "Result Value" is the value as it appears in your Results Data. "Report Name" is the level description to print on the report. When using numeric results with cutoffs, the Result Value column contains the cutoff values. Click the **Help** button for examples.

Reference Method

Results format: Numeric, large are POSITIVE

Level	Cutoff Values	Report Names
1		Very Negative
2	100	lower than 0
3	200	Positive
4	300	Very Positive
5	400	WOW
6	500	Critical Value

Test Method

Results format: Numeric, large are POSITIVE

Level	Cutoff Values	Report Names
1		Very Negative
2	100	Negative
3	200	Positive
4	300	Very Positive
5	450	VVP
6	550	Critical Value

>> <<

OK Cancel Help

Example – large numbers are negative

Define Results Coding [X]

Levels: (2-6) **HDL cholesterol (example)**

Define the levels in order from least positive to most positive.
"Result Value" is the value as it appears in your Results Data. "Report Name" is the level description to print on the report. When using numeric results with cutoffs, the Result Value column contains the cutoff values.
[Click the Help button for examples.](#)

Reference Method

Results format: **Numeric, large are NEGATIVE**

Level	Cutoff Values	Report Names
1	300	no risk
2	80	small risk
3	60	borderline
4		quadruple bypas
5		
6		

Test Method

Results format: **Numeric, large are NEGATIVE**

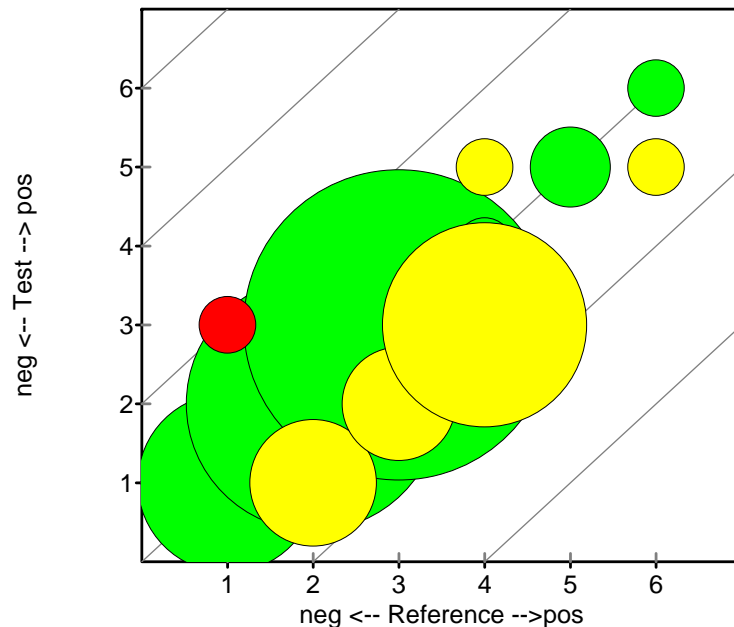
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5		
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OK Cancel Help

Allow 1 step difference to accommodate “gray zones” *

Ref. Method: Chem Assay

Test Method: Analyzer



Statistical Analysis

(Comparison of two Laboratory Methods)

Agreement	71.9% (61.8 to 80.2%)
Agreement within two	98.9% (93.9 to 99.8%)

95% confidence intervals calculated by the "Score" method.

McNemar Test for Symmetry:

Test < Reference	23 (25.8%)
Test > Reference	2 (2.2%)
Symmetry test FAILS	$p < 0.001$ (ChiSq=17.640, 1 df)

A value of $p < 0.05$ suggests that one method is consistently "larger".

Cohen's Kappa 60.5% (47.4 to 73.6%)

Kappa is the proportion of agreement above what's expected by chance. Rule of thumb is Kappa > 75% indicates "high" agreement. We would like to see VERY high (close to 100%) agreement.

* Enabled in preferences

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Statistical Modules

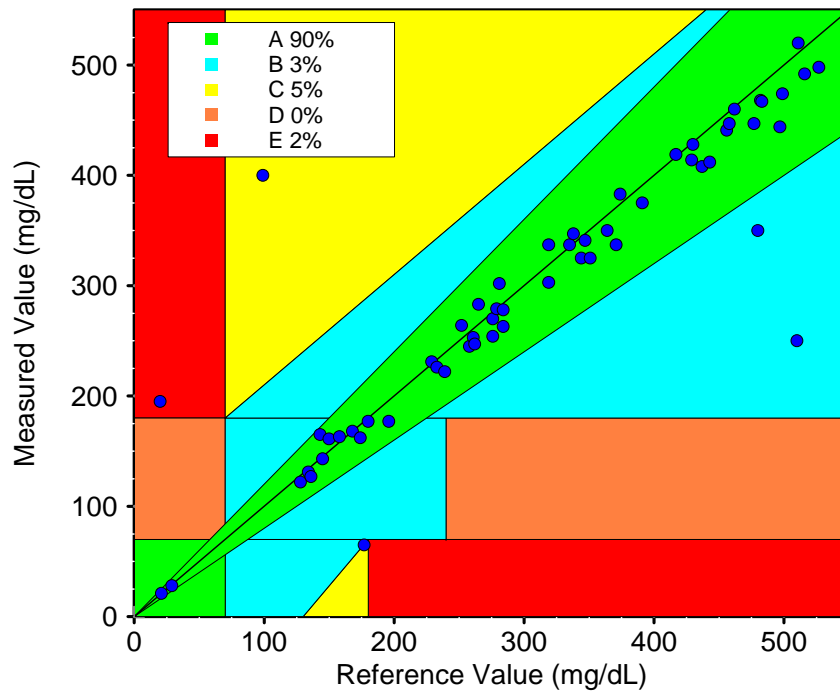
- Precision
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- Method Comparison
 - Alternate (Quantitative) CLSI EP9
 - Qualitative and SemiQuant
 - 2-Instrument Comparison
 - Multiple Instrument Comparison
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POC Module Compares POC Glucose results to those produced by a laboratory instrument, using Clarke or Consensus diagrams.

POC Glucose

Zones of Clinical Impact

Clarke Grid



<i>Region</i>	<i>Count</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Cum Percent</i>
A	54	90%	90%
B	2	3%	93%
C	3	5%	98%
D	0	0%	98%
E	1	2%	100%
Excluded	0		
Out/Bnds	0		
Total	60		

Report Interpretation Guide

Glucose POC Instrument Evaluation

Report Interpretation Guide

The Error Grid Analysis is a very specific form of method comparison that compares two Glucose methods using Clarke and Consensus diagrams.

Experimental results for this module are similar to those you would use in Alternate Method Comparison. One method is a reference method, presumed highly accurate. The second is a test method to be evaluated. Collect Glucose results for 20 or more specimens, measuring each specimen with each of the two methods. A larger number of specimens (50-100) is desirable. Units for both methods must be the same -- either mg/dL or mmol/L. Also results must be within the range 0-550 mg/dL or 0-30 mmol/L.

Key Statistics

The report shows a scatter plot, with the reference method on the X-axis and the test method on the Y-axis. The plot area is divided into five zones, A-E, which reflect the medical risk of the error:

Zone A: No effect on clinical action

Zone B: Altered clinical action, but little or no effect on clinical outcome

Zone C: Altered action, likely to affect the outcome

Zone D: Significant medical risk

Zone E: Could have dangerous consequences.

The zones are defined based on surveys of medical practitioners. The only difference between the Clarke Diagram and the Consensus Diagram is in how the zones are defined.

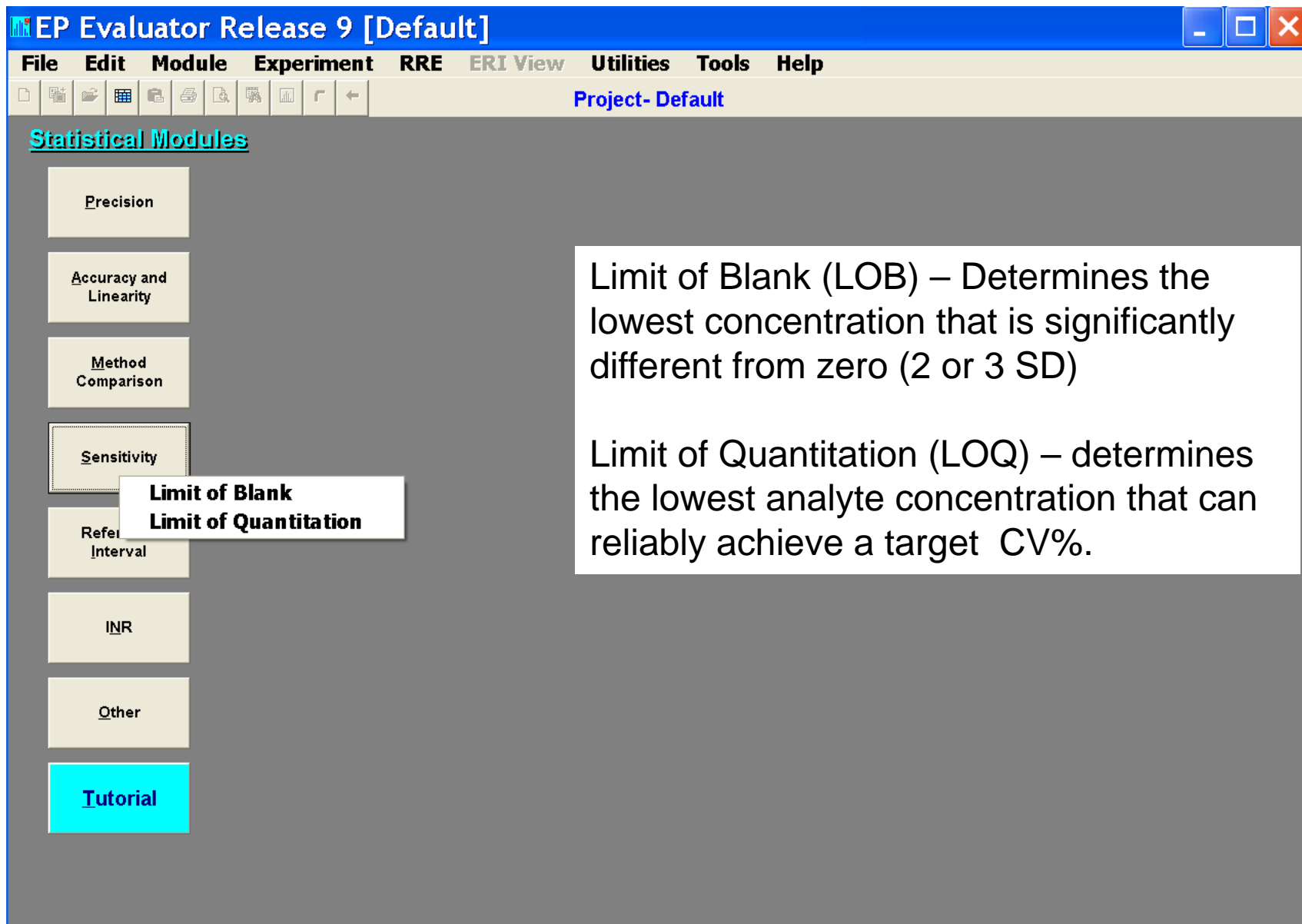
Preliminary Report

The word PRELIMINARY printed diagonally across the report indicates that the data is incomplete, and the report is not acceptable as a final report. Some or all of the statistics may be missing.

The Glucose-POC report is preliminary if there are less than 20 unexcluded data points.

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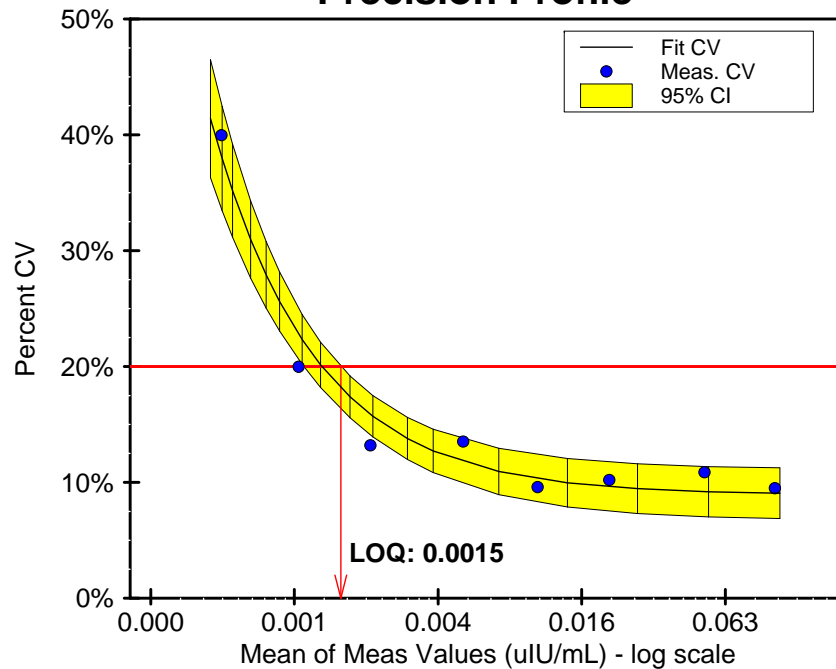


The screenshot shows the EP Evaluator Release 9 [Default] software interface. The title bar includes the application name and standard window controls. The menu bar contains File, Edit, Module, Experiment, RRE, ERI View, Utilities, Tools, and Help. The toolbar includes icons for file operations and a 'Project- Default' label. The main area is titled 'Statistical Modules' and contains a vertical list of buttons: Precision, Accuracy and Linearity, Method Comparison, Sensitivity, Reference Interval, INR, Other, and Tutorial. A tooltip is visible over the 'Sensitivity' button, displaying 'Limit of Blank' and 'Limit of Quantitation'. To the right of the interface, two text boxes provide definitions: 'Limit of Blank (LOB) – Determines the lowest concentration that is significantly different from zero (2 or 3 SD)' and 'Limit of Quantitation (LOQ) – determines the lowest analyte concentration that can reliably achieve a target CV%'.

LOQ Report Excerpt

Sensitivity-Limit of Quantitation

Precision Profile



Evaluation of Results

TSH was analyzed by ImmunoAssayer to determine the LOQ (lowest concentration for which CV is less than a target of 20%).

Specimens with mean measured concentration ranging from 0.00048 to 0.10078 uIU/mL were assayed. A curve was fit to estimate the relationship between Mean and CV. Based on the fitted model, the LOQ is 0.0015 uIU/mL. This is the point where the upper 95% confidence interval for the curve has a CV of 20%.

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Statistical Modules

Precision

Accuracy and Linearity

Method Comparison

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Reference Interval

Verify Reference Interval
Establish Reference Interval/ROC

INR

Other

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VRI - Verification of Reference Interval. Verifies that the reference range of a new method is statistically equivalent to a target reference range.

ERI - Establish Reference Range. Uses up to 3 approaches to calculate a Central 95% reference range. Includes CLSI-c28a.

ROC plots - Using patient test results with gold standard diagnoses, it calculates cut-off values for optimum diagnostic effectiveness (sensitivity and specificity) using CLSI GP10.

Reference intervals

- **Verify Ref interval – VRI**

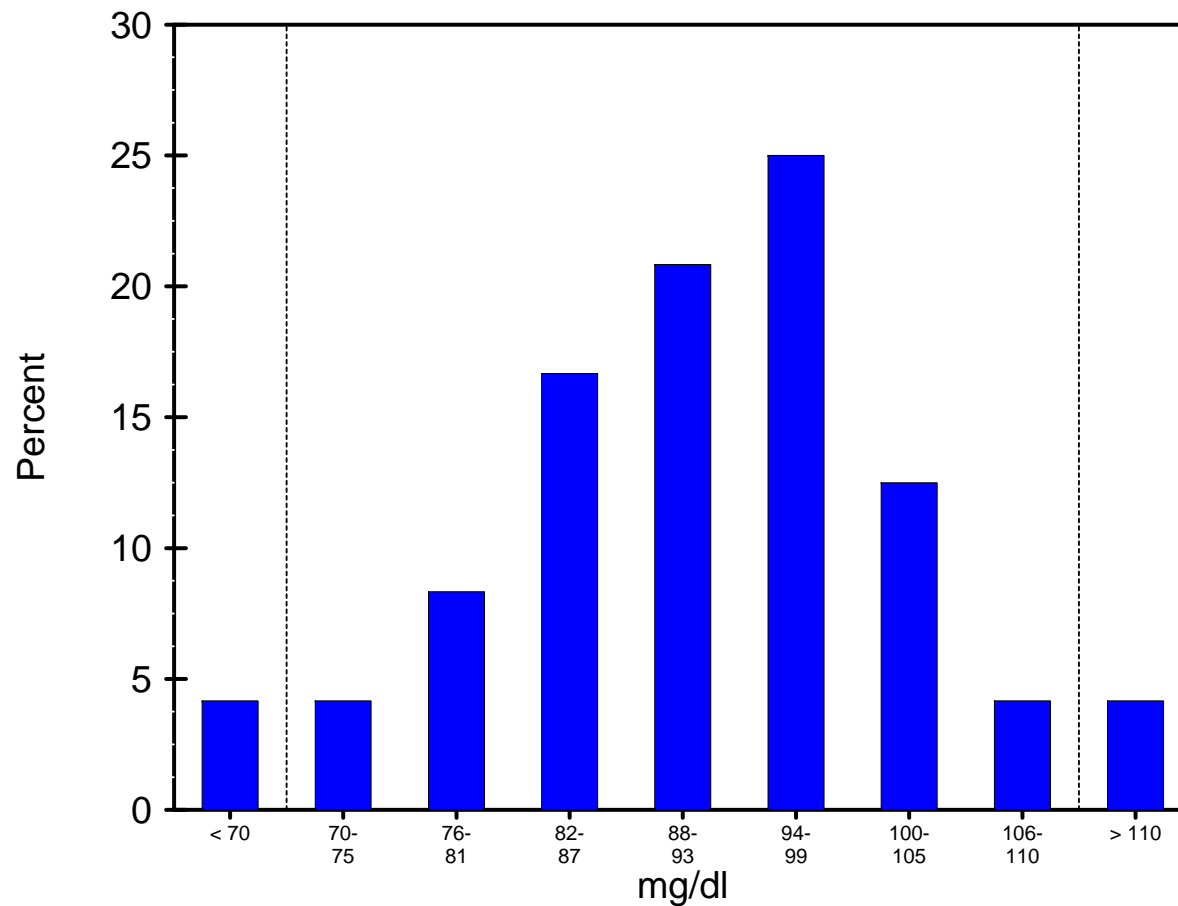
- As few as 20 points
- Verify proposed ref interval is statistically same as old
- Up to 10% of points can be outside

- **Establish Ref interval - ERI**

- CLSI EP-28-a
- Data is entered in a special way
- Calculate partitions gender, smokers, age, etc.
- Data is evaluated. upper and lower limits are proposed.
 - Parametric – data fits a bell shaped (normal) distribution
 - Non-parametric – top and bottom 2.5% are excluded.
 - Transformed to parametric : data undergoes an exponential transformation to convert the data to the Gaussian model by evaluating a probability plot of result vs. SDI (std dev index)

Verify Reference intervals

Reference Interval Histogram

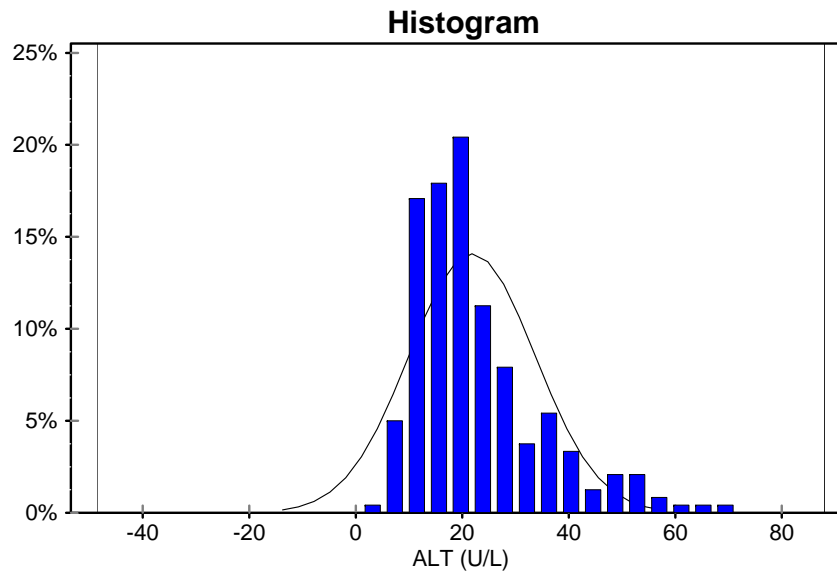


Establish Reference Intervals - ERI

Reference Interval Estimation: Combined

Central 95% Interval (N = 240)					
	Lower		Upper		Confidence Ratio
	Value	90% CI	Value	90% CI	
Nonparametric (CLSI C28-A)	8	6 to 9	54	49 to 65	0.21
Alternatives:					
Transformed Parametric	8	7 to 8	52	48 to 57	0.12
Parametric	-1	-3 to 1	46	44 to 48	0.09

Confidence Limits for Nonparametric CLSI C-28A method computed from C28-A Table 8.



Selection Criteria:
 Bounds None
 Filter None

Statistics:
 Mean 22.5 U/L
 SD 11.9
 Median 19.5
 Range 5 to 69
 N 240 of 240
 Distinct values 50
 Zeroes 0
 Central 95% Index 6.0 to 235.0

Analyst mkf
 Expt. Date 13 Apr 2000

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INR - Geometric Mean & VRI
 VRI performed on both PT and INR

PT/INR - Method Comparison
 Input PT. EE calculates INR and plots both PT and INR with Pass/FAIL vs allowable error.

Manual INR Check. checks INR reported by instrument against the value calculated using ISI and Geometric Mean

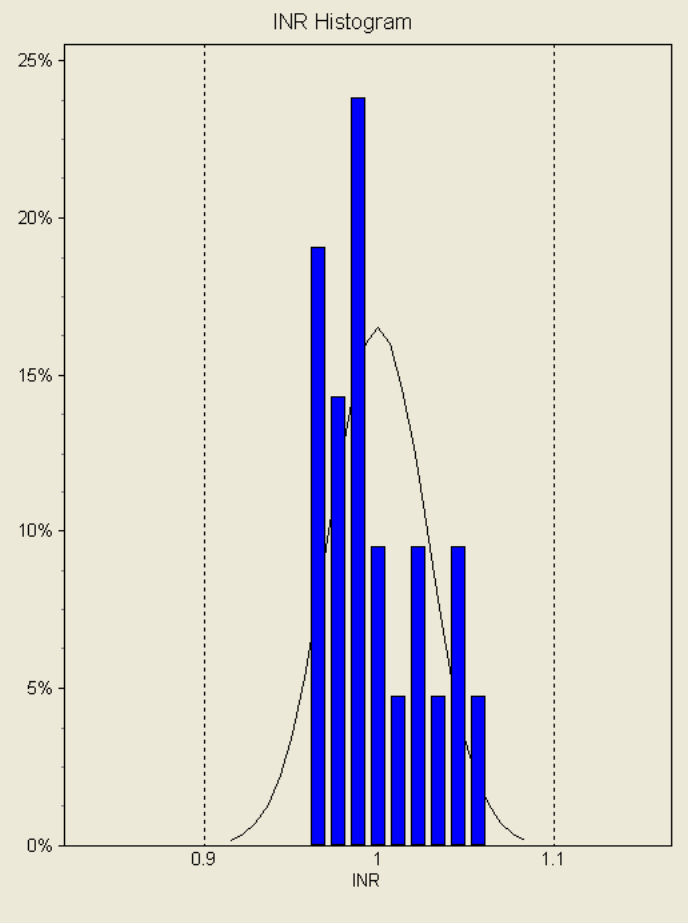
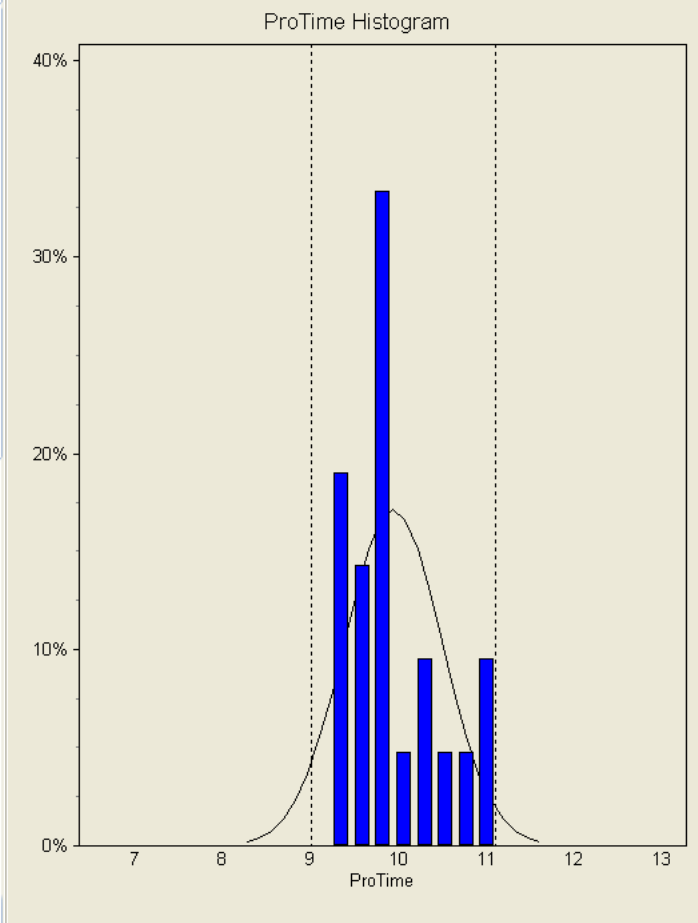
Factor Sensitivity: Evaluate PT and aPTT reagent lots to determine the best reagent for determining factor deficiencies an suspect patients.

INR - Geometric Mean & VRI
 PT/INR - Method Comparison
 Manual INR Check
Factor Sensitivity



Instrument: Assayer Analyte: Protine Reagent Lot: 536931

Spec ID	PT Value
S00001	11.1
S00002	9.5
S00003	9.4
S00004	9.7
S00005	10.7
S00006	9.9
S00007	9.4
S00008	10.1
S00009	9.9
S00010	10.4
S00011	9.7
S00012	9.3
S00013	9.4
S00014	9.5
S00015	9.6
S00016	9.7
S00017	9.8
S00018	10.6
S00019	9.8
S00020	10.4
S00021	10.9



N	21	PT - Pass?	Pass
PT - Geometric Mean	9.9	INR - 2SD Range	0.95 to 1.05
PT - 2SD Range	8.9 to 11.0	INR - Prop.RI	0.90 to 1.10
PT - Prop.RI	9.0 to 11.1	INR - % Out	0
PT - % Out	0	INR - Pass?	Pass

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CLSI EP10 Preliminary Evaluation Carryover
Six Sigma Metrics
Performance Standards
Interference (CLSI EP7)
Cost per Test
Average of Normals
Histogram and Descriptive Stats
Stability

CLSI EP10 - Preliminary Evaluation of Methods. A quick screening for new methods, that uses 50 results tested over 5 days to estimate linearity, precision, accuracy, carryover, and drift.

Carryover - Calculates specimen to specimen carryover.

Six Sigma Metrics- Uses bias and precision statistics to determine if a method meets the criteria for six sigma performance (an error rate of ~ 3 in a million)

Performance Standards – Calculate TEA using several different criteria including peer group data.

Interference - Determiness the maximum amount of interferent that allows reporting of a clinically acceptable result.

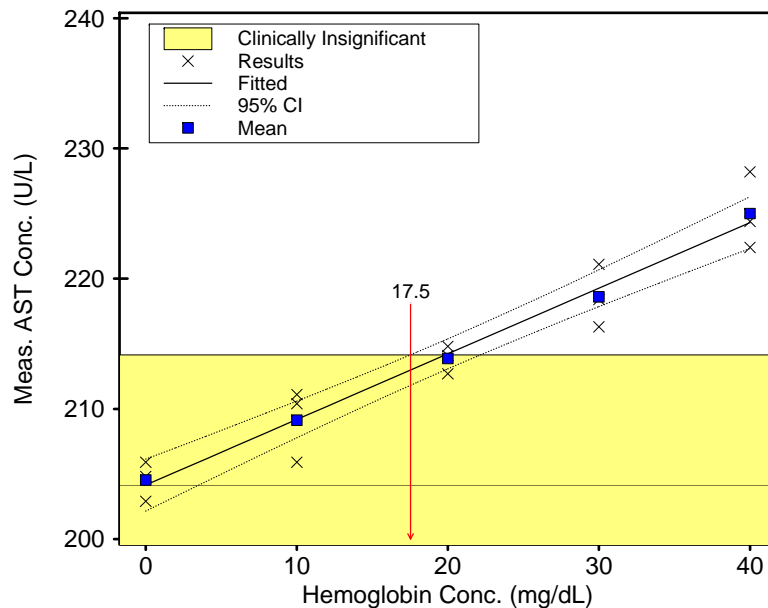
EP Evaluator®

Prepared for: chemistry Dept -- Holy Name hospital
By: Clinical Laboratory -- Our Lady of Perpetual Motion

AST
Instrument: Analyzer
Sample: High
Interferent: Hemoglobin

Interference Dose Response

Dose Response Curve



Evaluation of Results

AST at a concentration of 204.53 U/L was evaluated for interference on Analyzer according to CLSI document EP7-A. Bias exceeding 10 U/L is considered clinically significant.

The interference of Hemoglobin up to 40 mg/dL was tested. Over this range, the bias can be approximated from the relationship

$$\text{Fitted } Y = 204.1 + (0.504) X$$

with a standard error of 2.06 mg/dL. Bias at interference level X is the difference between the Fitted Value at X and the Fitted Value at zero. At Hemoglobin concentrations less than 17.5 mg/dL, the upper 95% confidence limit for predicted bias is not clinically significant.

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Cost Per Test - Lab Management Module

AON - Average of Normals. Trends the daily median value of all patient results for an analyte over time, in order to detect changes in system bias

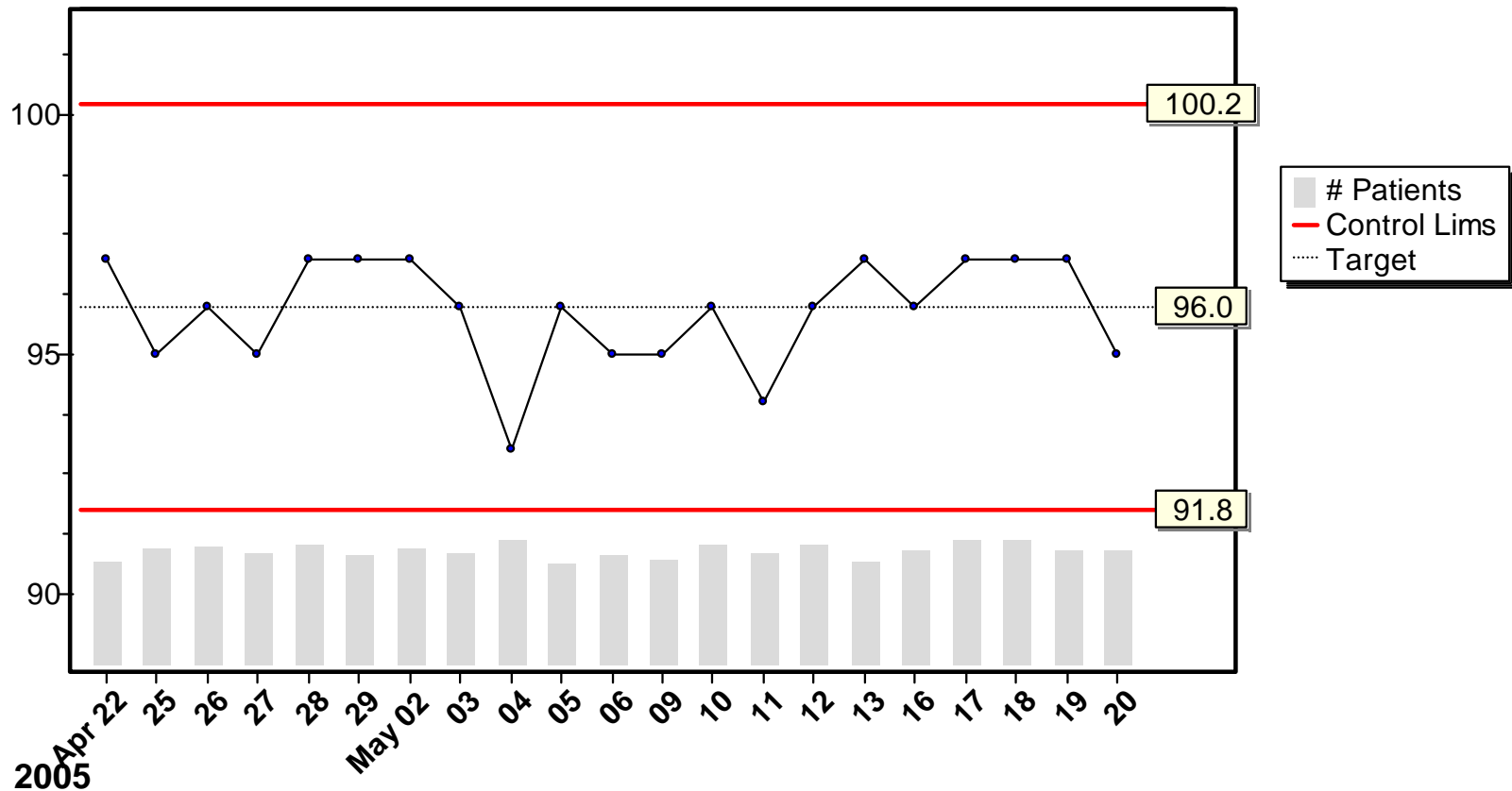
Histograms and descriptive Stats. Calculate several types of central tendencies and displays the data in a histogram.

Stability - Determines the stability characteristics of a reagent or specimen over time under specified storage conditions.

Average of Normals

Average of Normals

Glucose Daily Medians (Sat/Sun excluded)



Evaluation of Results

Questions and Discussion white board

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