

# SAMPLE TRAX<sup>s</sup>

Barcoded Sample Tracking and  
ICPMS Analysis of High Purity  
Semiconductor Grade Chemicals



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# sampleTRAX S



sampleTRAX S Analytical Station

sampleTRAX S is an advanced, automated sample identification system that uses barcodes to track samples from time of collection through reception to final analysis and data reporting. Direct analysis of semiconductor grade chemicals by ICPMS at less than 1 ppt are achieved with sampleTRAX S.

## How it Works

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## Sample Identification

- Barcode scanning accesses information including:
  - Sample type
  - Sample Information (Line / Sampling point / Name / etc.)
  - Method of standardization and analysis

## Ultra Pure

- Ultra-clean
- <1 ppt semiconductor metals
- Automated matrix matched MSA, addition or external calibration
- Analytical stations for ICPMS instruments

## Laboratory Automation

- Bottle tracking
- Bottle history (cleaning, sample, chemical, analysis, concentration)
- Chemical grouping
- Chemical specific rinse function per chemical
- Customized network, bottle cycle
- Data management



1 mL cup and 250 mL bottle with 2D bottom, 2D cap and 1D side barcode

## Fully Automated Sample Identification and Tracking for Ultra-Pure Chemicals



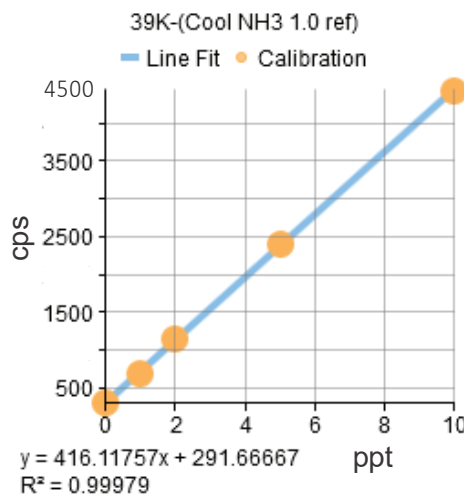
An integrated barcode reader scans the bottom of a PFA bottle to identify sample information before analysis.

Synchronizing the patented barcode reading arm with the sample probe ensures each sample is positively identified at the time of analysis. The enclosed ultra-pure autosampler guarantees sample integrity is not compromised.

## Autocalibration of $^{39}\text{K}$ from a Single Stock Solution

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\* All calibration strategies automated (MSA, Addition, External)

# Barcoded Bottles

A variety of precleaned barcoded bottles, vials and caps are available.



## 1D and 2D Barcodes Permanently Marked Into Inert PFA

### Benefits

- Chemically inert barcodes
- Non-contaminating markings into acid-resistant PFA
- Reusable
- 2D barcoded bottles are compatible with sampleTRAX S scanning automation systems
- Track bottle position and sample identity
- Precleaned

### Types

- Bottles
  - 2D bottom barcoded
  - 1D side barcoded
- Caps
  - Available with 2D barcodes
- Any type of bottle can be custom labeled

# TRAX Scan Stations

Scan stations are used to associate sample and analytical information with the bottle's barcode.

Select Sample Type

|                                     |       |
|-------------------------------------|-------|
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | H2O2  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | NH4OH |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | DSP   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | LAL   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | DHF   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | SC1   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | IPA   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | H2SO4 |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | HF    |

1.) Select sample type



2.) Scan bottle



3.) Add user input

- Location
- Operator
- Bottle Status
- Chemical
- Comments/notes
- Customizable inputs

Multiple scan stations can be used to track bottle usage both in the fab and the laboratory.

# sampleTRAX S Analytical Station

## Status Indicator Light

Alerts user to system problems  
(leaks, empty reagents, etc...)

## Integrated Computer Monitor with Swivel Arm

Convenient, protected location  
for instrument computer

## Storage Drawers

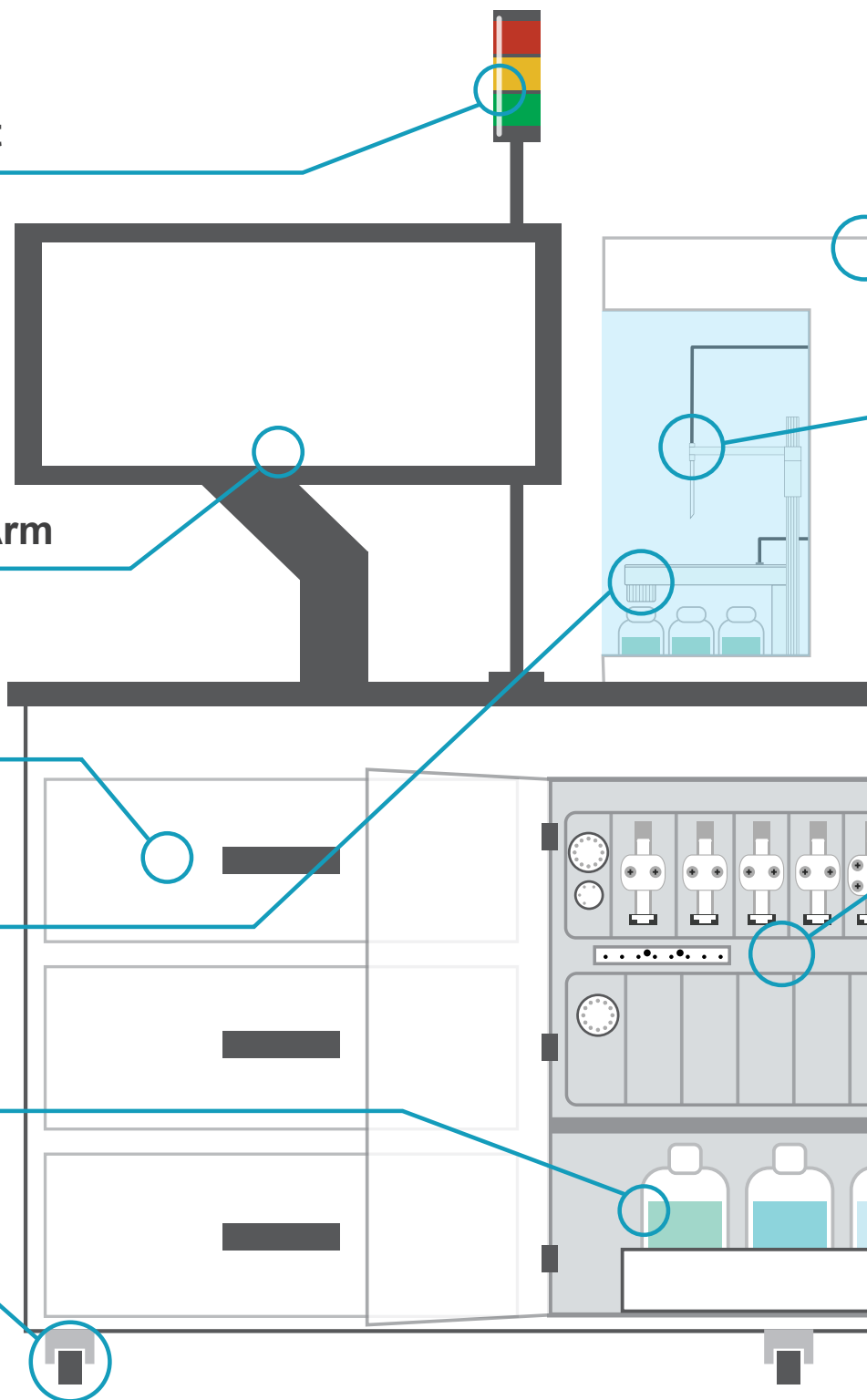
## Optional Fluorocapper

## High Purity PFA Reservoirs

With integrated level sensors

## Wheels

Allows for flexible positioning



## Ultra-clean Enclosure Exhausted with Air Shower

With exhaust vents and inert-gas air shower

## ICP or ICPMS

## sampleTRAX S Autosampler

With barcode scanning and PFA probe  
and Fluoronetics rail

ICP or ICPMS

## Inert, Acid-Resistant HDPE Countertop

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## Integrated prepFAST S System

With ultra high purity syringes and valves

## Storage Areas

## Vacuum Pump Storage Chamber

With pull out drawer for easy access

## Leak Sensors

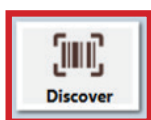
Detects leaks and alerts user

# Automated Grouping and Wash

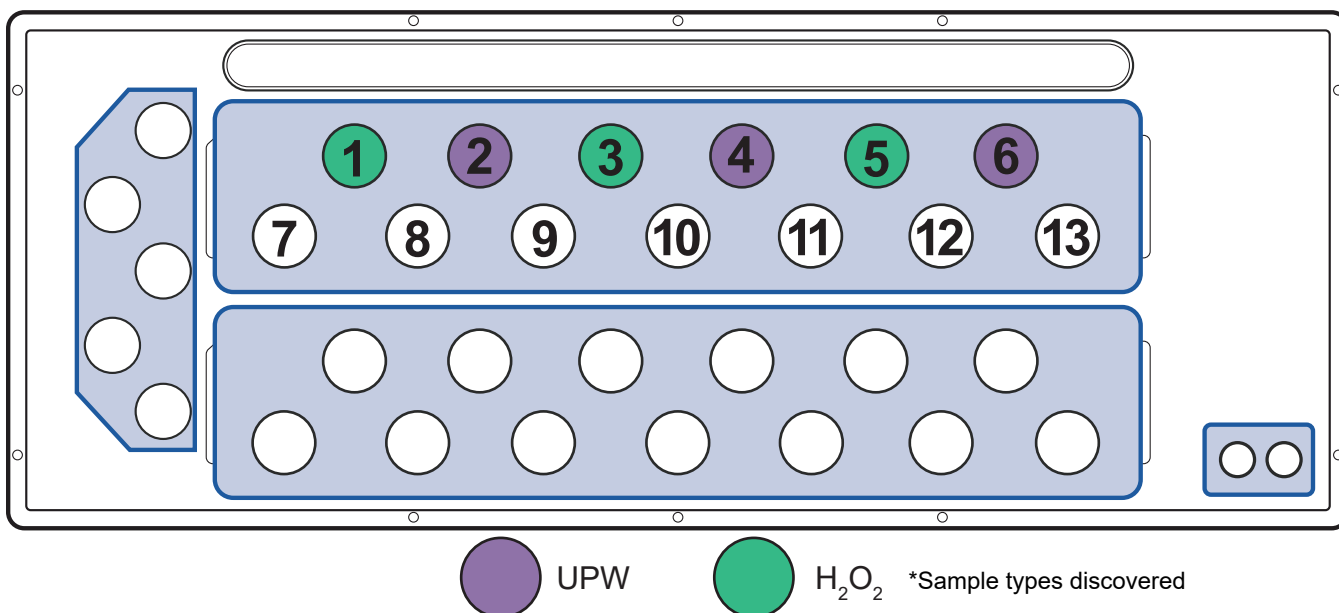
sampleTRAX S Analytical Station simplifies and performs the most demanding sample analysis in 3 easy steps.

1. Discover and group samples
2. Create a sequence, a) MSA, b) Addition Cal, c) External Cal.
3. Run samples, acquire data and calculate results

## 1) Discover Samples



sampleTRAX S discovers sample location and analytical information.



## Group Samples

Based on discovered sample information, the sequence groups samples by type and sorts by analytical order. Chemical specific washes are performed after each group.

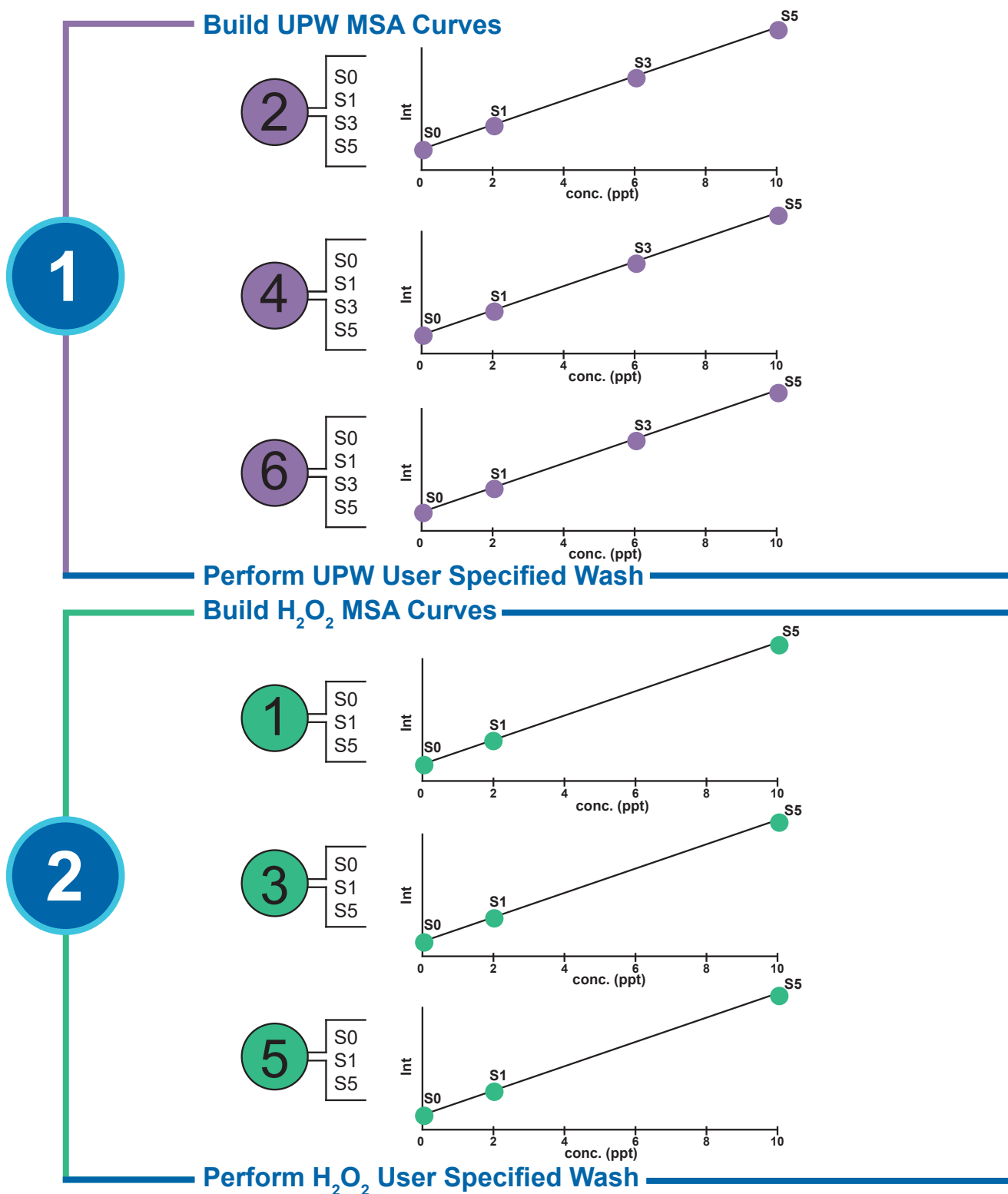
| Sample Group Analysis Order |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| UPW - Group 1               | H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> - Group 2 |
| 2                           | 1                                       |
| 4                           | 3                                       |
| 6                           | 5                                       |

# MSA Sequence

## 2a) Select Desired Sequence

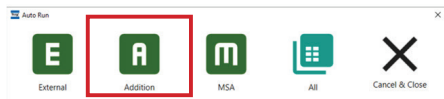


Build MSA curves according to protocol for each sample and perform chemical specific washes after each sample type.

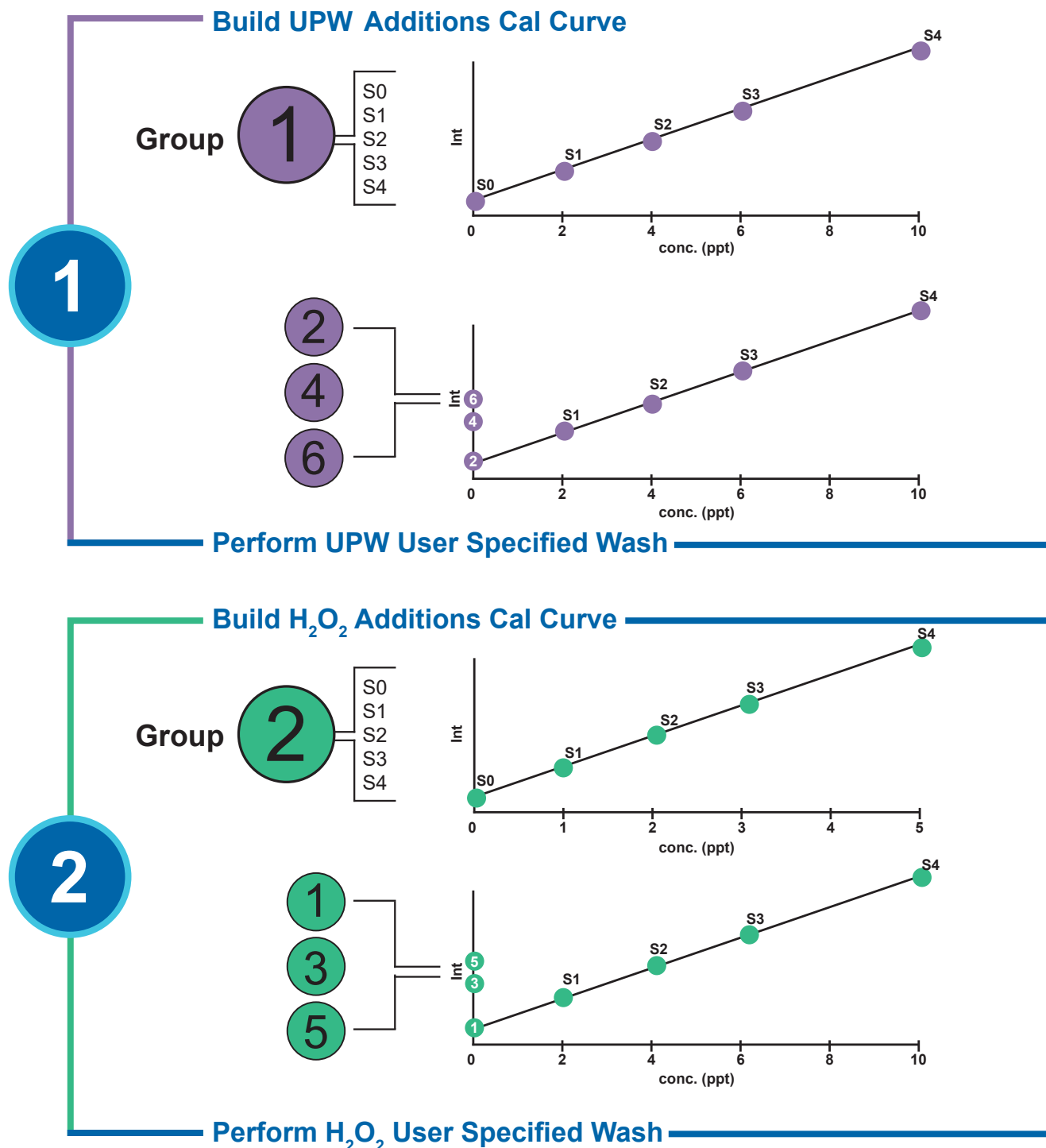


# Addition Cal Sequence

## 2b) Select Desired Sequence

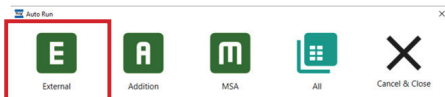


Build Addition calibration curves according to protocol for each sample and perform chemical specific washes after each sample type.

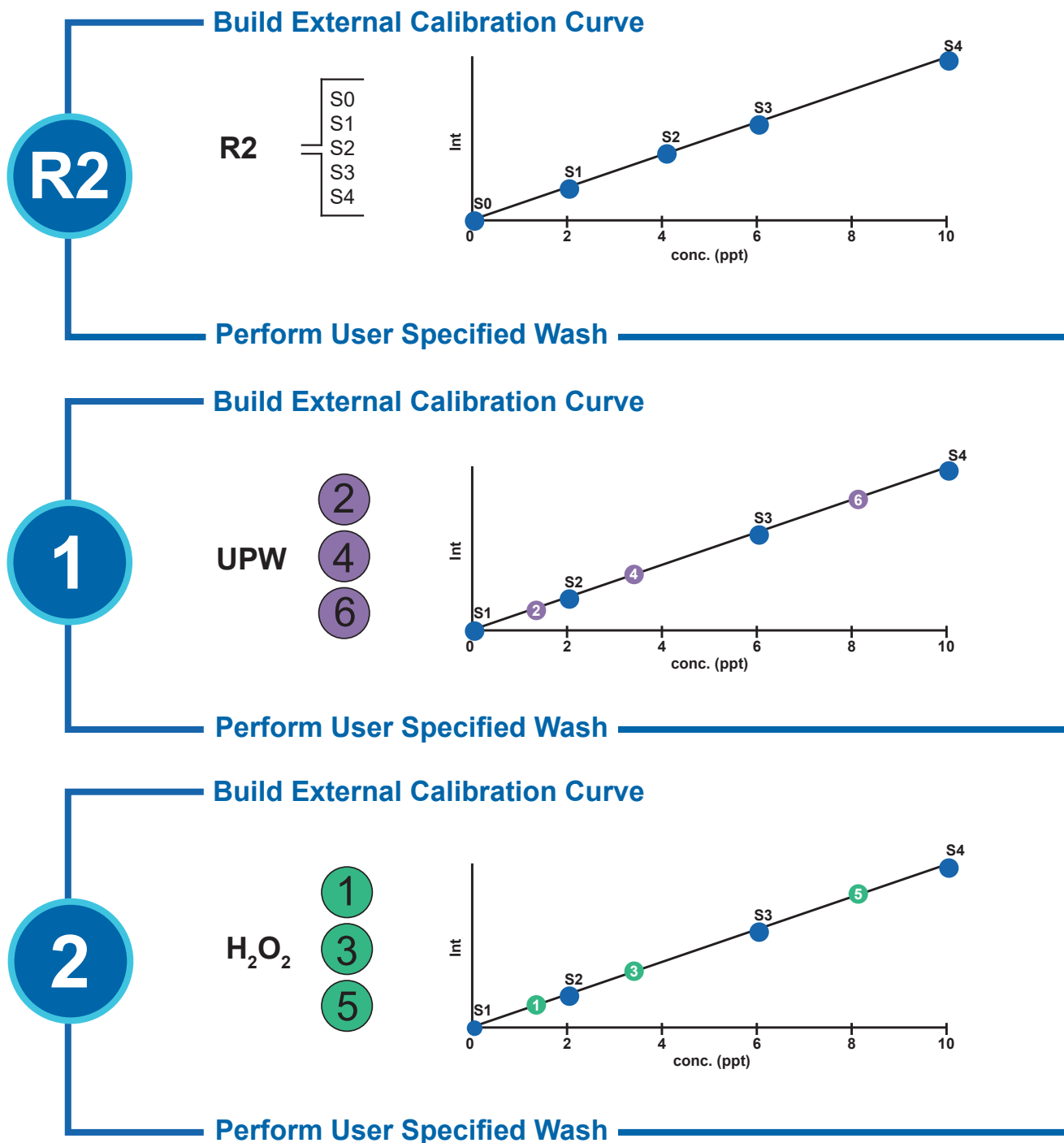


# External Cal Sequence

## 2c) Select Desired Sequence Type



Build External calibration curves according to protocol for each sample and perform chemical specific washes after each sample type.



# Run Samples

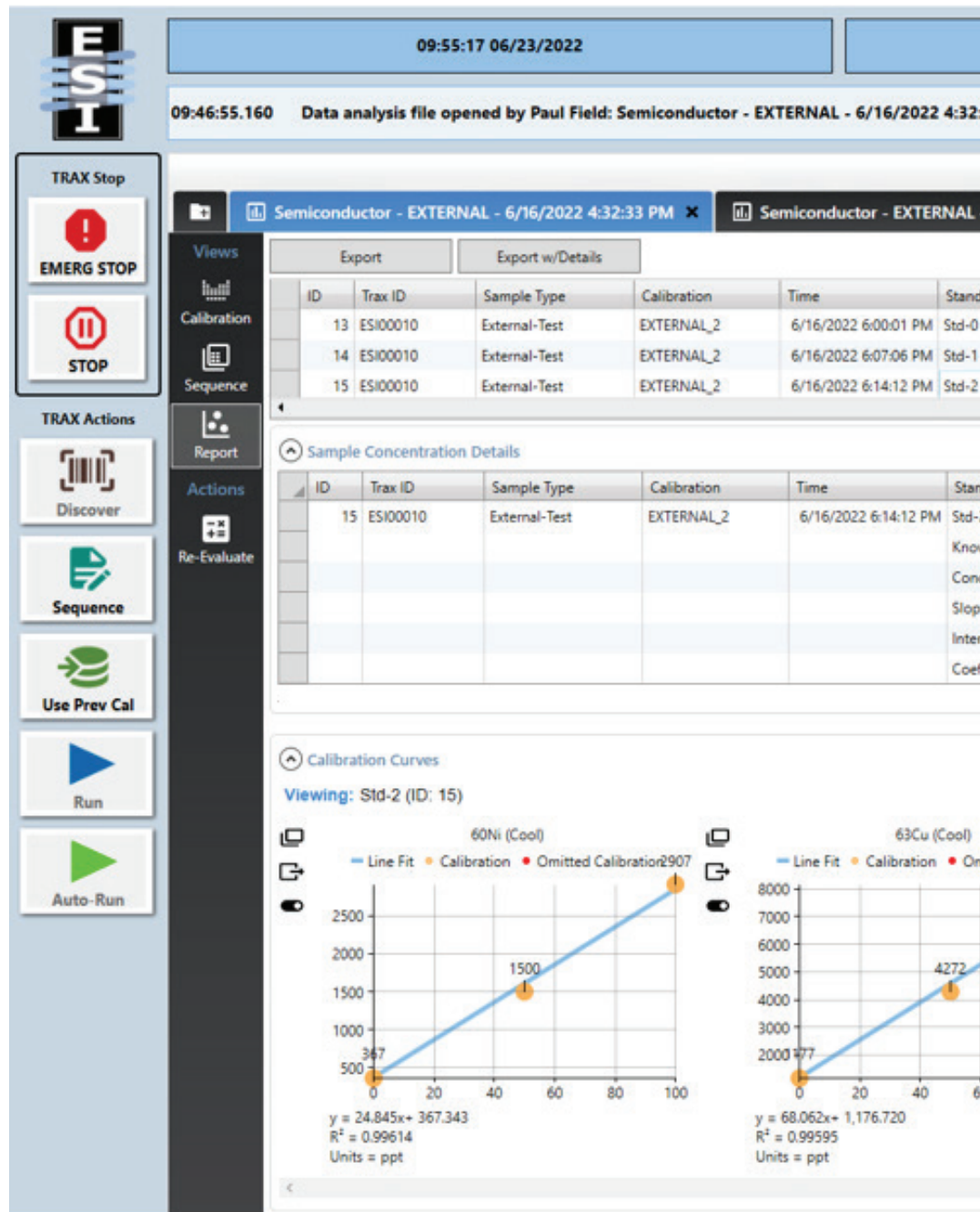
## 3) Run samples, acquire data and calculate results for reporting to sample

sample TRAX S automatically prepares desired calibration curve and samples for analysis.

As each chemical is prepared and injected, sampleTRAX S triggers the 7900 to acquire data and imports raw intensities.

Raw intensities are:

- Associated with TRAX ID
- Used to calculate concentrations
- Stored in database



# TRAX S database



# sampleTRAX S (Touch Screen

## TRAX Actions

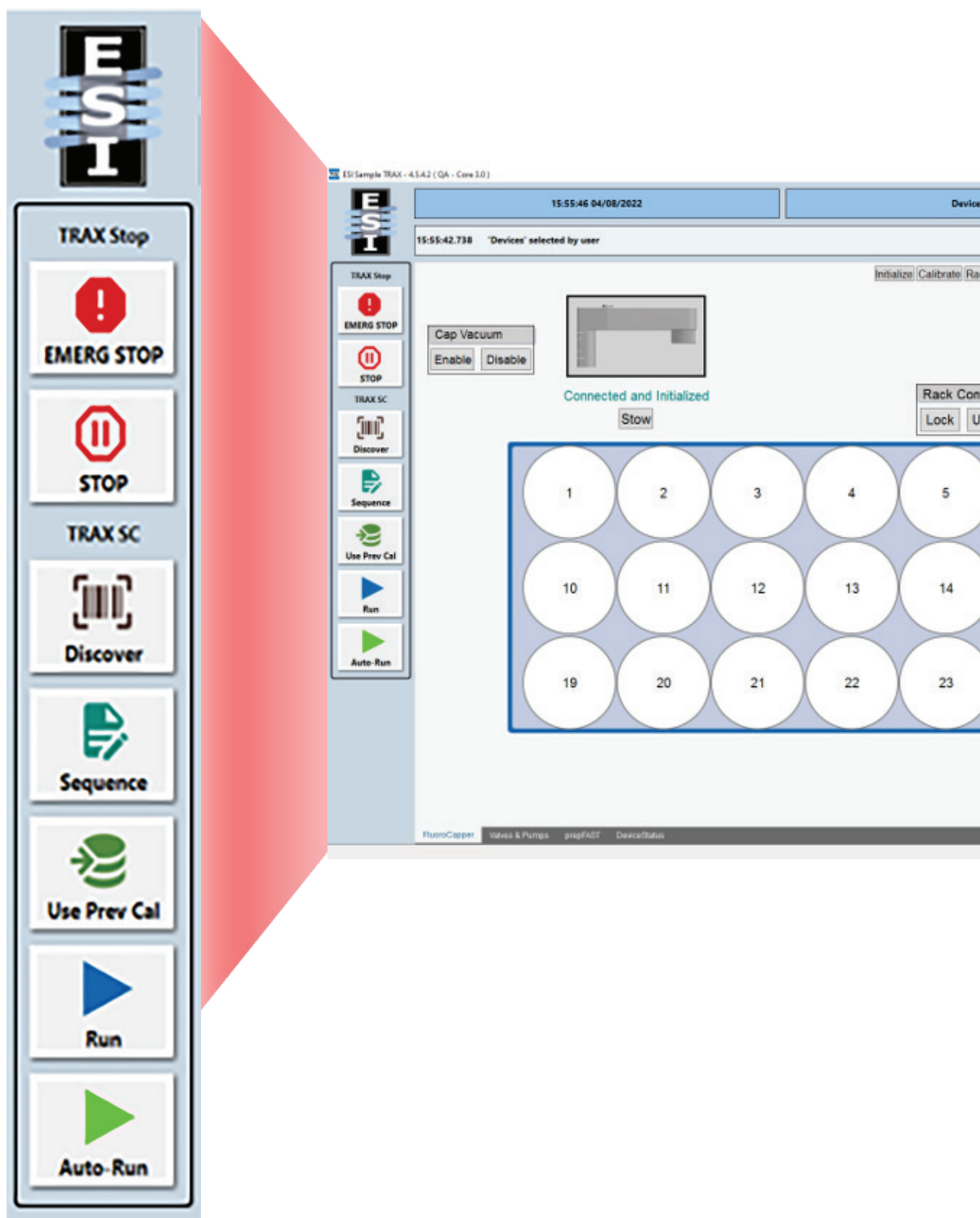
Multiple stop options to cease sampleTRAX S operation

Barcode scan bottles on the deck to observe in Discover View & sequence for analysis

Manually sequence samples to be analyzed in a singular run (see types below)

Use previously generated Calibrations for a Sample Type

1. sampleTRAX S analysis types
2. Run specific Calibration types or All
3. Auto-Run analysis will continue to scan deck for new samples added or replaced, and will continue to run if detected



The screenshot displays the Agilent ICP-MS TRAX software interface. The main window shows a sample deck layout with 27 positions (6-9, 15-18, 24-27) and a 'Stow' button. A status bar at the bottom indicates 'ESI Sample TRAX - 4.5.4.2 (QA - Core 3.0) - Friday, April 08, 2022'. A sidebar on the right lists various TRAX Views, each with a corresponding icon and description.

### TRAX Views

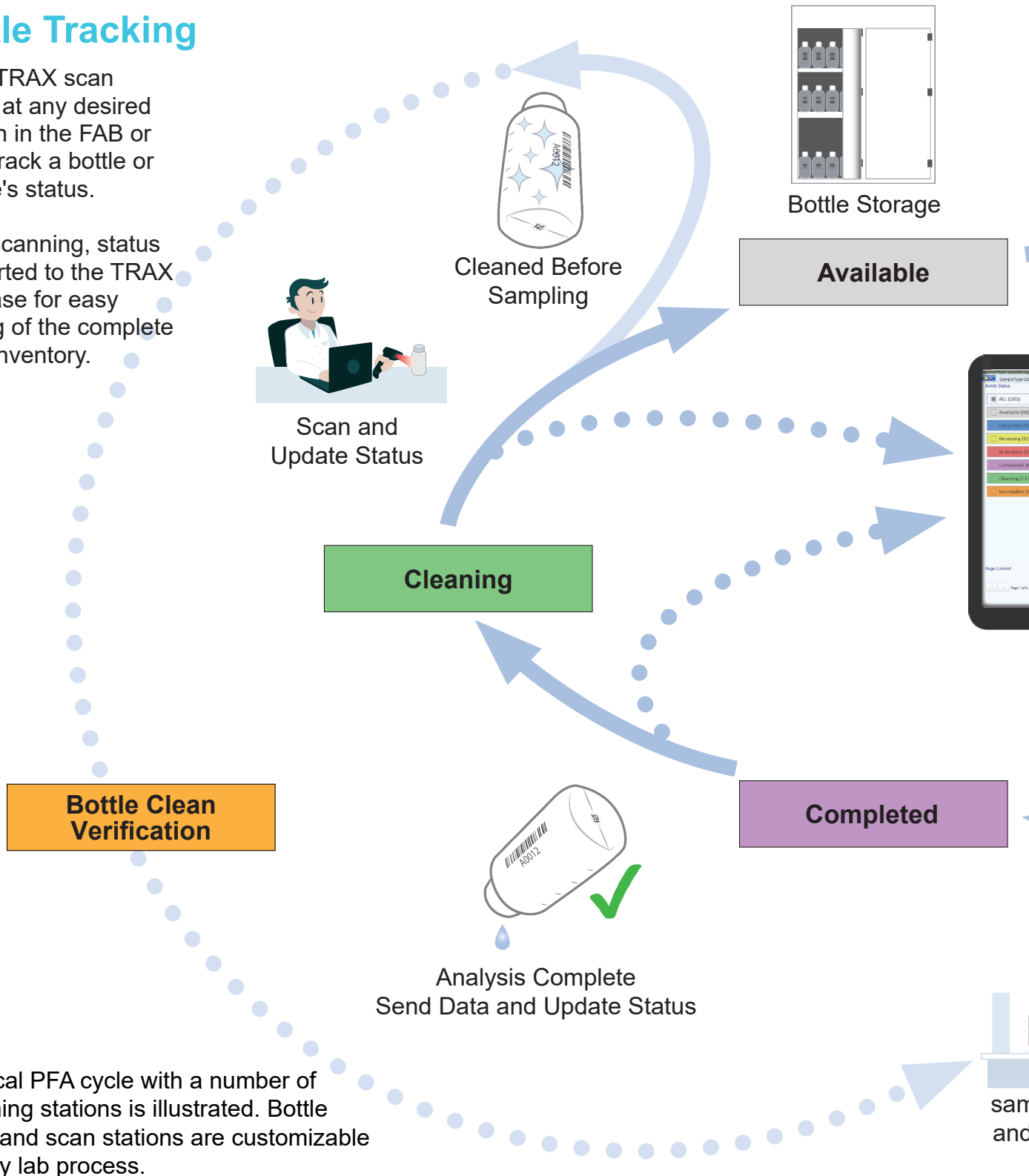
- TRAX View**: The main interface view, represented by a vertical bar with red, yellow, and green segments.
- Analysis**: Data report, sample sequence, re-evaluate (represented by a bar chart icon).
- Discover**: Displays samples discovered on-deck (represented by three test tubes labeled 1, 2, 3).
- Process**: Run unbarcoded samples (represented by a test tube with a yellow cap).
- Devices**: Fluorocapper & device status, valves/syringes (represented by a fluorocapper icon).
- FAST**: FAST method status, method running (represented by a blue rabbit icon).
- Logs**: Autosampler communication and alerts logs (represented by a document with an information icon).

# Tracking a Typical Bottle Cycle

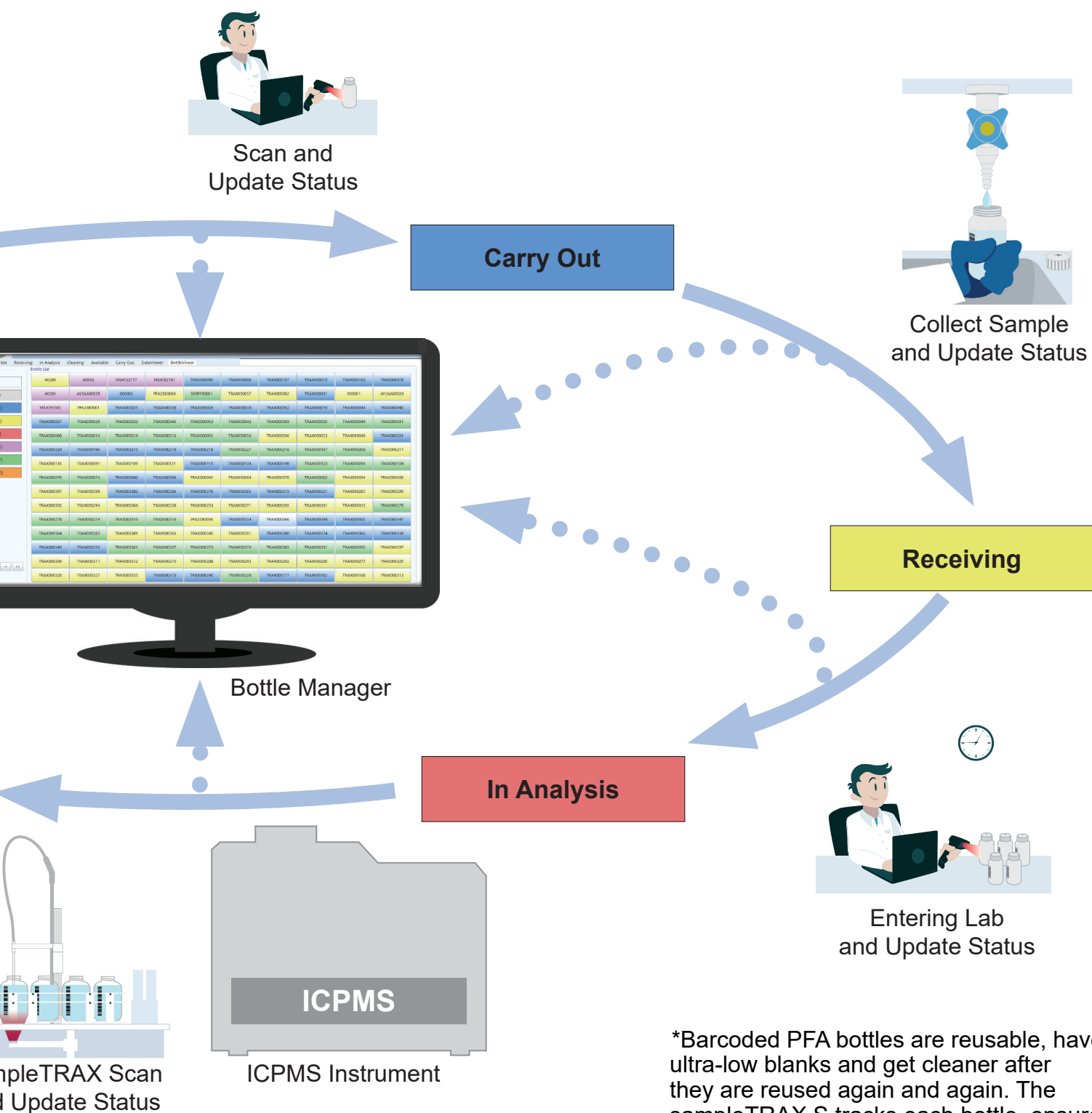
## Bottle Tracking

Add a TRAX scan station at any desired location in the FAB or lab to track a bottle or sample's status.

Upon scanning, status is reported to the TRAX Database for easy viewing of the complete bottle inventory.



\*Typical PFA cycle with a number of scanning stations is illustrated. Bottle cycle and scan stations are customizable for any lab process.



\*Barcoded PFA bottles are reusable, have ultra-low blanks and get cleaner after they are reused again and again. The sampleTRAX S tracks each bottle, ensures cleanliness and data integrity.

# Bottle Manager: Tracking

Scan stations update the database in real time allowing the bottle manager to instantaneously provide a snapshot of every bottle's status.

## Bottle Tracking

Select "ALL" to view the status of the entire bottle inventory as a color-coded grid.

Quantity of bottles is indicated with (##) in each of the seven color-coded stages.

## Bottle History

Click on the TRAXID to view its complete history.

- Status
- Sample type
- Purpose
- Concentrations



12 mL vial



250 mL bottle



1 mL vial

The screenshot shows the 'SAMPLETRAX DataManager' interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'SampleType Editor', 'Receiving', and 'In Analysis'. The 'Bottle Status' section on the left lists seven categories with checkboxes and counts: 'ALL (283)', 'Available (48)', 'Carry Out (51)', 'Receiving (61)', 'In Analysis (0)', 'Completed (6)', 'Cleaning (117)', and 'Incomplete (0)'. The 'Bottle List' section on the right displays a vertical list of TRAXIDs, including A0280, A0281, MSATEST83, and several TRAX000027 through TRAX000328. At the bottom, there is a 'Page Control' section with navigation buttons and 'Page 1 of 2'.

Clicking a TRAXID opens the bottle history window which shows the complete history of a bottle in the TRAX system including analytical data.

# and History

Cleaning Available Carry Out DataViewer BottleViewer

|            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| A0092      | MSATEST32  | MSATEST81  | TRAX000090 | TRAX000006 | TRAX000157 | TRAX000073 | TRAX000162 | TRAX000078 |
| AY3AA00029 | 000002     | PFA25B0060 | 500PF00001 | TRAX000057 | TRAX000002 | TRAX000001 | 000001     | AY3AA00024 |
| PFA25B0001 | TRAX000021 | TRAX000038 | TRAX000026 | TRAX000039 | TRAX000052 | TRAX000019 | TRAX000044 | TRAX000040 |
| TRAX000029 | TRAX000032 | TRAX000045 | TRAX000053 | TRAX000042 | TRAX000059 | TRAX000050 | TRAX000049 | TRAX000031 |
| TRAX000054 | TRAX000014 | TRAX000016 | TRAX000051 | TRAX000056 | TRAX000036 | TRAX000023 | TRAX000046 | TRAX000201 |
| TRAX000196 | TRAX000215 | TRAX000219 | TRAX000218 | TRAX000227 | TRAX000216 | TRAX000197 | TRAX000208 | TRAX000217 |
| TRAX000091 | TRAX000109 | TRAX000121 | TRAX000115 | TRAX000134 | TRAX000149 | TRAX000123 | TRAX000094 | TRAX000104 |
| TRAX000074 | TRAX000060 | TRAX000066 | TRAX000041 | TRAX000064 | TRAX000070 | TRAX000063 | TRAX000394 | TRAX000400 |
| TRAX000399 | TRAX000382 | TRAX000386 | TRAX000376 | TRAX000303 | TRAX000315 | TRAX000321 | TRAX000287 | TRAX000299 |
| TRAX000294 | TRAX000264 | TRAX000258 | TRAX000253 | TRAX000271 | TRAX000295 | TRAX000301 | TRAX000313 | TRAX000279 |
| TRAX000274 | TRAX000310 | TRAX000316 | PFA25B0006 | TRAX000354 | TRAX000366 | TRAX000384 | TRAX000365 | TRAX000347 |
| TRAX000383 | TRAX000381 | TRAX000363 | TRAX000345 | TRAX000351 | TRAX000380 | TRAX000374 | TRAX000362 | TRAX000338 |
| TRAX000355 | TRAX000361 | TRAX000367 | TRAX000373 | TRAX000379 | TRAX000385 | TRAX000391 | TRAX000392 | TRAX000297 |
| TRAX000311 | TRAX000312 | TRAX000270 | TRAX000288 | TRAX000293 | TRAX000292 | TRAX000285 | TRAX000277 | TRAX000329 |
| TRAX000327 | TRAX000325 | TRAX000273 | TRAX000290 | TRAX000228 | TRAX000177 | TRAX000182 | TRAX000188 | TRAX000213 |

Bottle History for MSATEST32

| TRAX ID   | Status      | Sample Type | User             | Datetime            | Protocol      | Purpose | Line | Sampling Point | Comments |
|-----------|-------------|-------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------|---------|------|----------------|----------|
| MSATEST32 | Completed   | Validation  | ESI\Agilent\CPMS | 2019-01-29 11:37:44 | Semiconductor |         |      |                |          |
| MSATEST32 | In Analysis | Validation  | ESI\Agilent\CPMS | 2019-01-29 11:03:01 | Semiconductor |         |      |                |          |
| MSATEST32 | Receiving   | Validation  | ESI\Agilent\CPMS | 2019-01-29 10:59:35 | Semiconductor |         |      |                |          |
| MSATEST32 | Carry Out   |             | ESI\Agilent\CPMS | 2019-01-29 10:56:43 |               |         |      |                |          |
| MSATEST32 | Available   |             | ESI\Agilent\CPMS | 2019-01-29 10:53:07 |               |         |      |                |          |
| MSATEST32 | Cleaning    |             | ESI\Agilent\CPMS | 2019-01-29 10:46:37 |               |         |      |                |          |
| MSATEST32 | Completed   | Validation  | ESI\Agilent\CPMS | 2019-01-29 09:42:04 | Semiconductor |         |      |                |          |
| MSATEST32 | In Analysis | Validation  | ESI\Agilent\CPMS | 2019-01-29 09:07:18 | Semiconductor |         |      |                |          |
| MSATEST32 | Completed   | Validation  | ESI\Agilent\CPMS | 2019-01-28 18:25:44 | Semiconductor |         |      |                |          |
| MSATEST32 | In Analysis | Validation  | ESI\Agilent\CPMS | 2019-01-28 17:50:13 | Semiconductor |         |      |                |          |
| MSATEST32 | In Analysis | Validation  | ESI\Agilent\CPMS | 2019-01-28 17:47:11 | Semiconductor |         |      |                |          |
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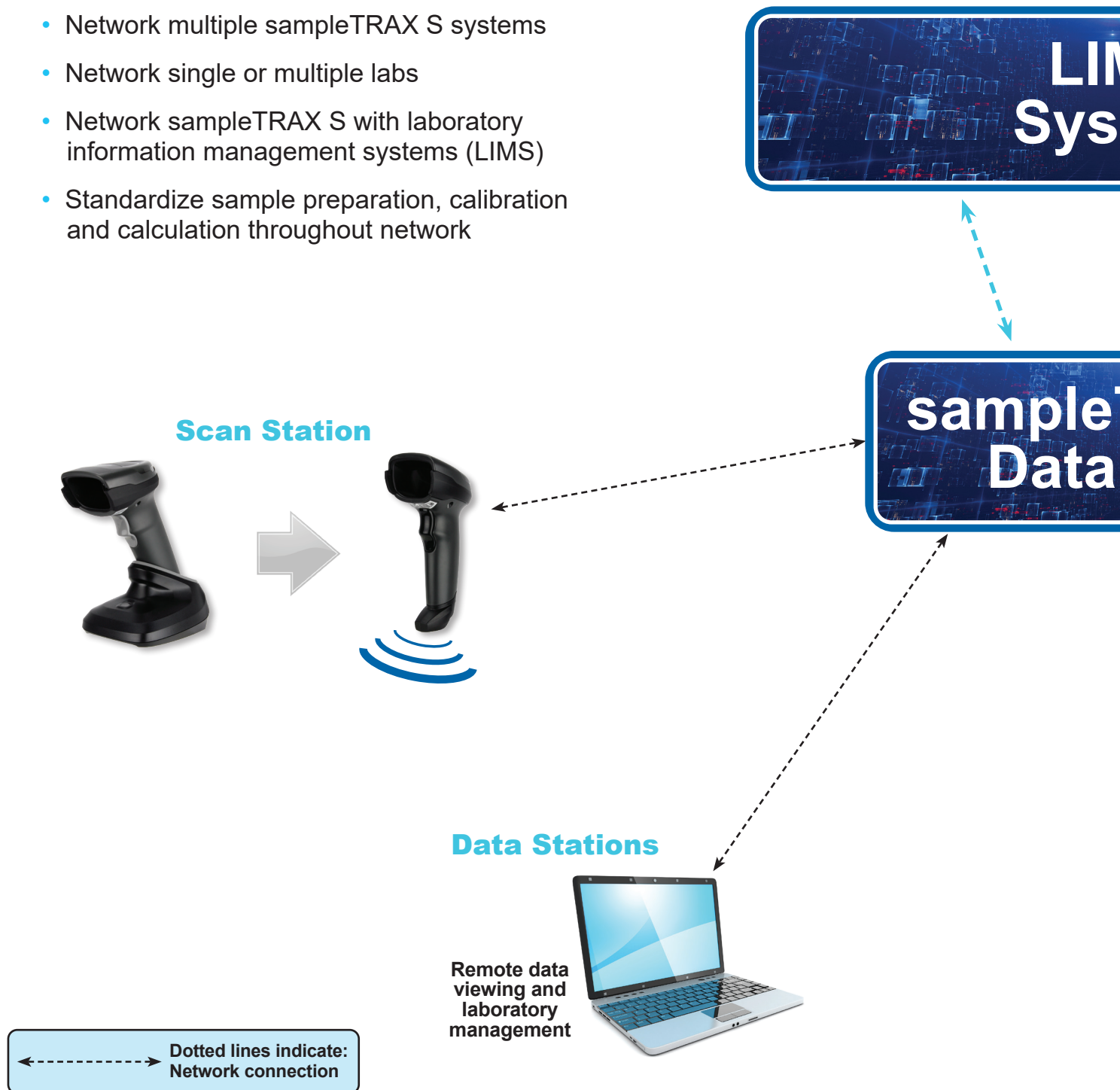
| TraxId    | SampleType | Device | DateTime             | Standard | Na    | Mg    | N     | K     | Ti    | V     | Cr    | Fe    | Ni    | Co    |
|-----------|------------|--------|----------------------|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| MSATEST32 | Validation | 2      | 1/28/2019 5:56:42 PM | std-0    | 0.184 | 0.001 | 0.002 | 0.004 | 0.002 | 0.001 | 0.056 | 0.002 | 0     | 0     |
| MSATEST32 | Validation | 2      | 1/29/2019 9:13:03 AM | std-0    | 0.139 | 0.108 | 0.124 | 0.042 | 0.108 | 0.016 | 0.212 | 0.113 | 0.041 | 0.111 |

Close

# Flexible, Customizable sampleTRAX S

## Automate the whole lab by incorporating

- Network multiple sampleTRAX S systems
- Network single or multiple labs
- Network sampleTRAX S with laboratory information management systems (LIMS)
- Standardize sample preparation, calibration and calculation throughout network



# SimpleTRAX S Networking

multiple scanning and analytical stations



Multiple  
Analytical Stations



Location #1

Location #2

# Full System at a Glance

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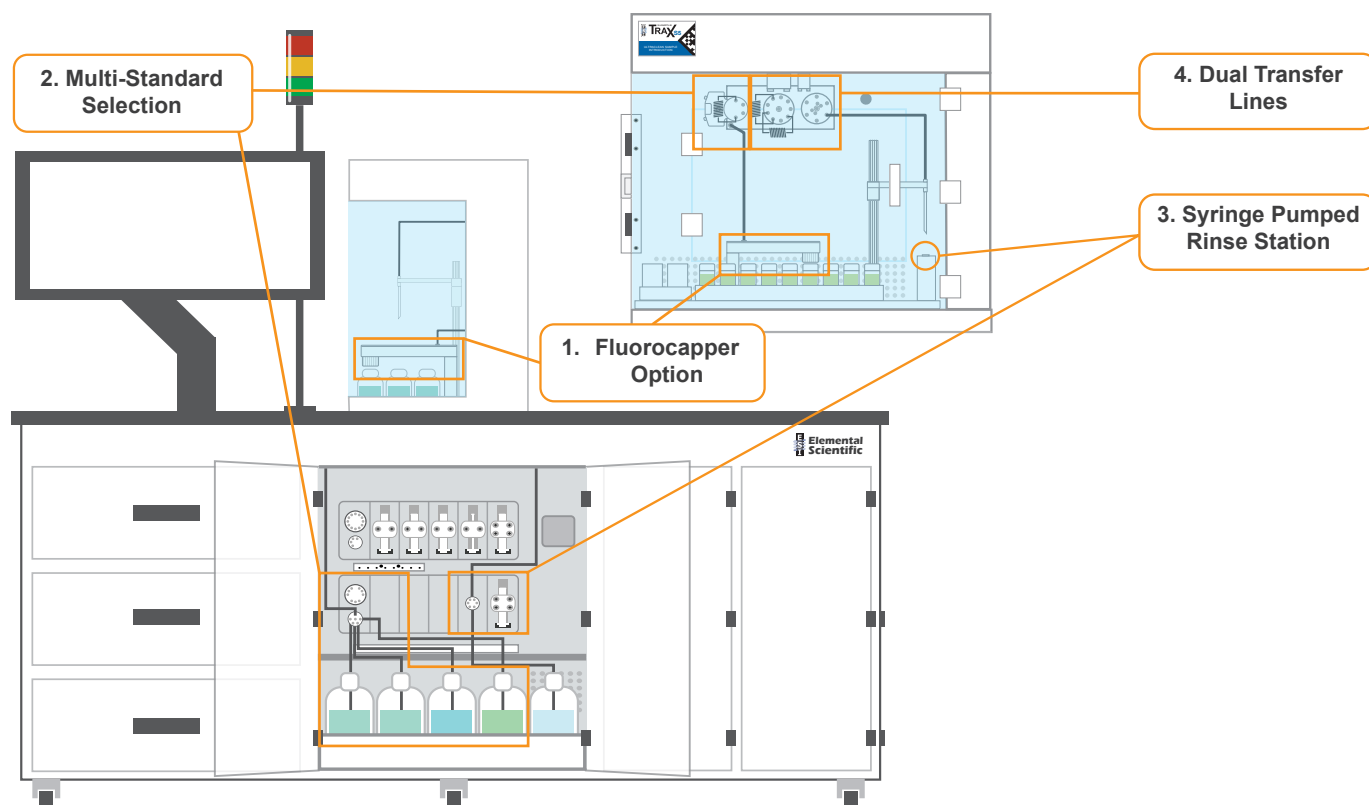
Examples of Semiconductor Chemicals  
Analyzed at the ppt Level with sampleTRAX S

| Acids                              | Bases                  | Organics      | Chemical Mixes |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 98% H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> | 22% NH <sub>4</sub> OH | IPA           | SC-1           |
| 89% H <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> | 2.38% TMAH             | PGMEA/PGME    | SC-2           |
| 70% HNO <sub>3</sub>               | 25% TMAH               | Photoresist   | BOE            |
| 49% HF                             | KOH                    | NMP           | DSP            |
| 35% HCl                            |                        | Butyl Acetate |                |
| 30% H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>  |                        | Cyclohexanone |                |
| SPM                                |                        |               |                |
| FPM                                |                        |               |                |
| DHF                                |                        |               |                |
| Etchant                            |                        |               |                |
| Others                             |                        |               |                |

All semiconductor pure chemicals can be analyzed using sampleTRAX S. This table contains only a partial list of common chemicals.

# Upgrades

## sampleTRAX S Analytical Station Upgrades



### 1. Fluorocapper

- Reduced exposure of operators to chemicals
- Stringent contamination control

### 2. Multi-Standard Selection

- Configure calibrations with different/multiple stock standards
- Hassle-free switching of stock standards for calibrations

### 3. Syringe Pumped Rinse Station

- Allows user to replace flowing DIW rinse with desired chemical

### 4. Dual Transfer Lines

- Discrete sample flow paths for loop and transfer line
- Ideal for running incompatible chemicals



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