



### LIMS at LRM Laboratory: activity measurements

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### Gamma ray spectroscopy

### 20 HPGe detectors:

- BeGe >> Rel. eff. 38%
- ReGe >> Rel eff. 28 %
- Extended Range >> Rel eff. 50%
- Coaxial HPGe
- Ge(Li)
- LeGE
- Well HPGe

Rel. Eff.: 10-80 %

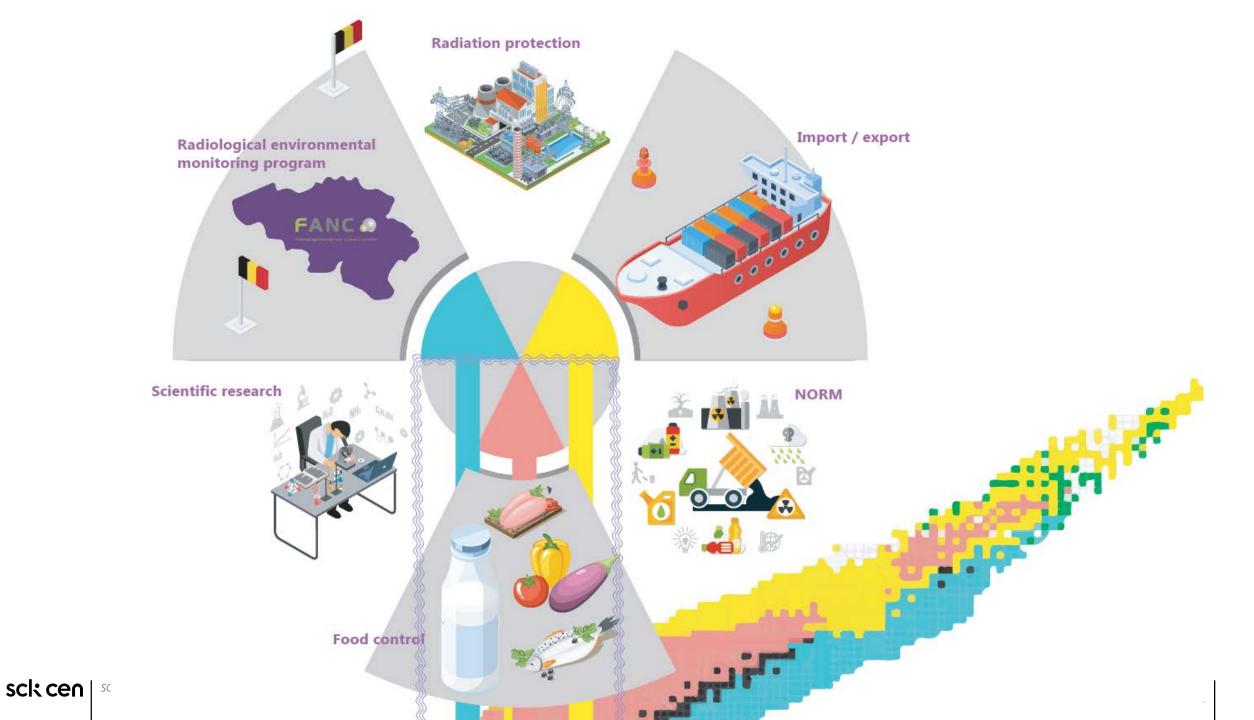
Digital signal analyzer LYNX (Mirion)

Liquid nitrogen:

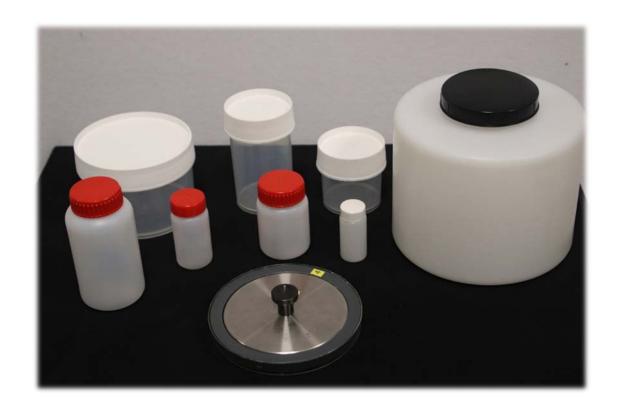
Automated filling system

Weighing system under detector





### Gamma ray spectroscopy @ LRM



- 3000-3500 samples/year
- Different geometries:
  - volumetrical, marinelli, cardriges, filters
- Weekly QA measurement
- Monthly background check
- ISO/IEC 17025 and ISO14001

### Calculations:

- GENIE2K
- **EFFTRAN** 
  - Efficiency transfer
  - Summing correction

### What is a LIMS and why using it?

### Laboratory Information and Management System



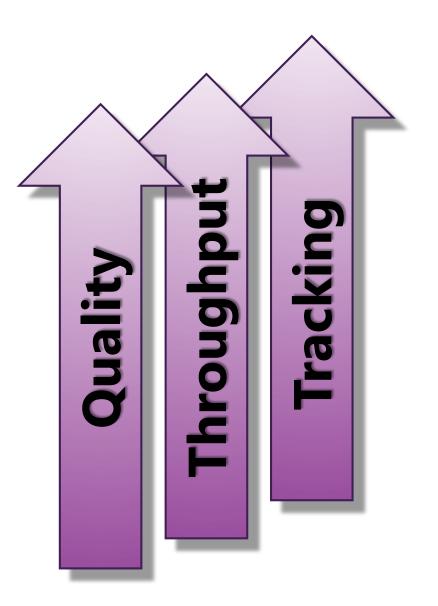
Is <u>software</u>-based laboratory and information management system that offers a set of key features that support a modern laboratory's operations. Those key features include:

- workflow;
- <u>data tracking</u> support;
- flexible architecture;
- smart <u>data exchange interfaces</u>;

That fully "support its use in regulated environments."

# Why using a LIMS?

- Automation of analysis process (Interfacing)
  - Reducing user input
    - Spectrum management
    - Selection of Efficiency calibration
    - Selection of Background file
    - Selection of analysis parameters
- Increased throughput
- Improved quality
  - Same process for all analysis
- Data management (Tracking)
  - Calibrations
  - Spectra analysis
  - QA data
  - Hardware Inventory
  - Reports & certificates
  - ..



### **γLIMS** architecture

homemade based on MS Access - interfacing

Front end Spectroscopy database hardware GENIE Front end database **SERVER** Front end Backend database database Front end database Barcode Global Local network, reader network © SCK•CEN Operational in case of

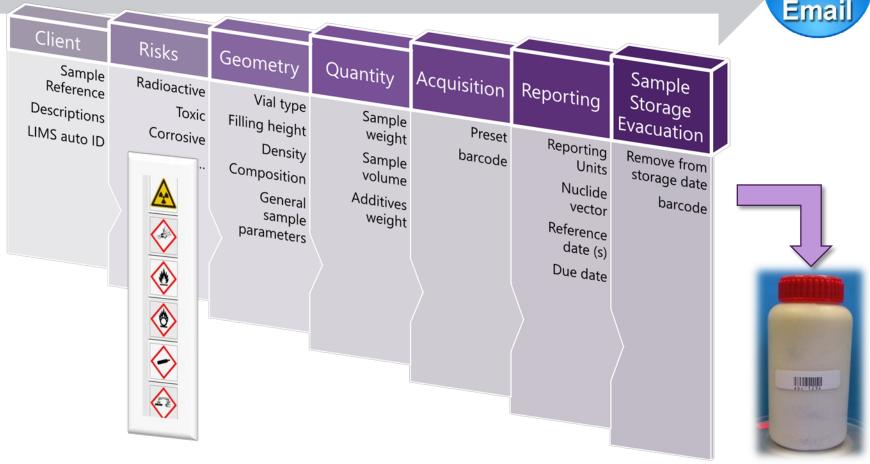
**Application** Software (VBA)

emergency

# Sample registration

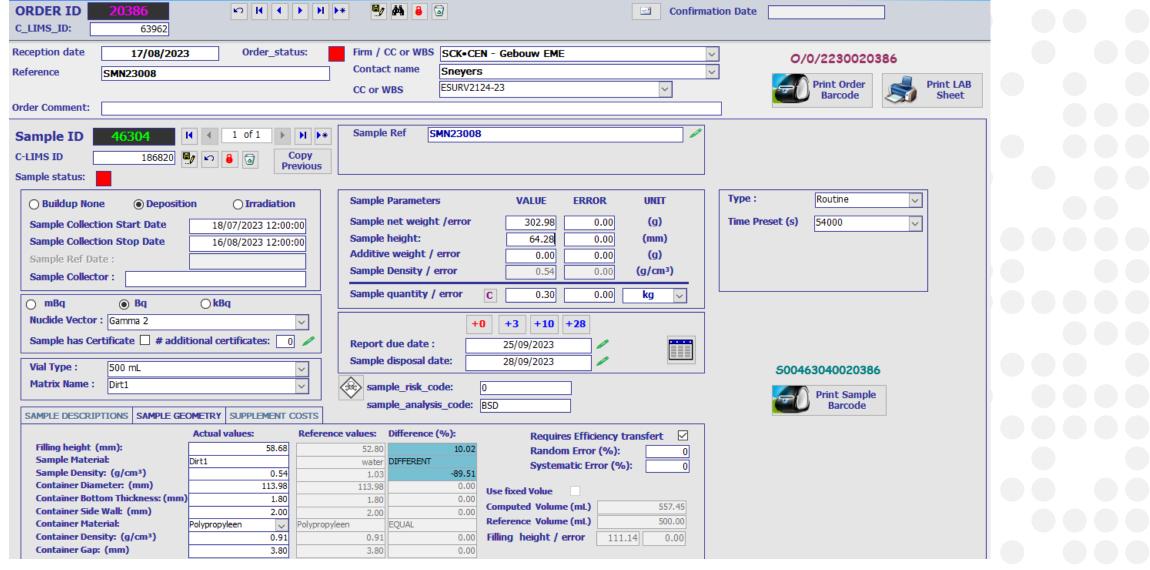
Sample reception automatic client confirmation







# Sample registration







# **Automated acquisition via barcode**



Acquisition







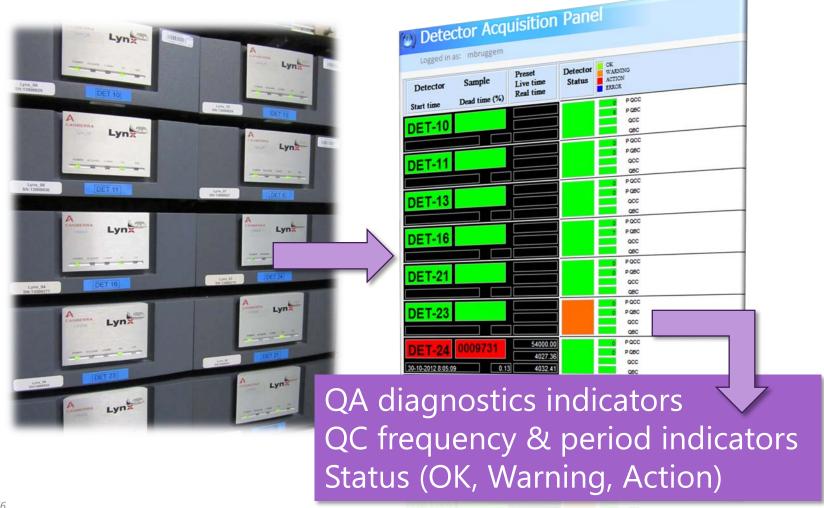
Sample



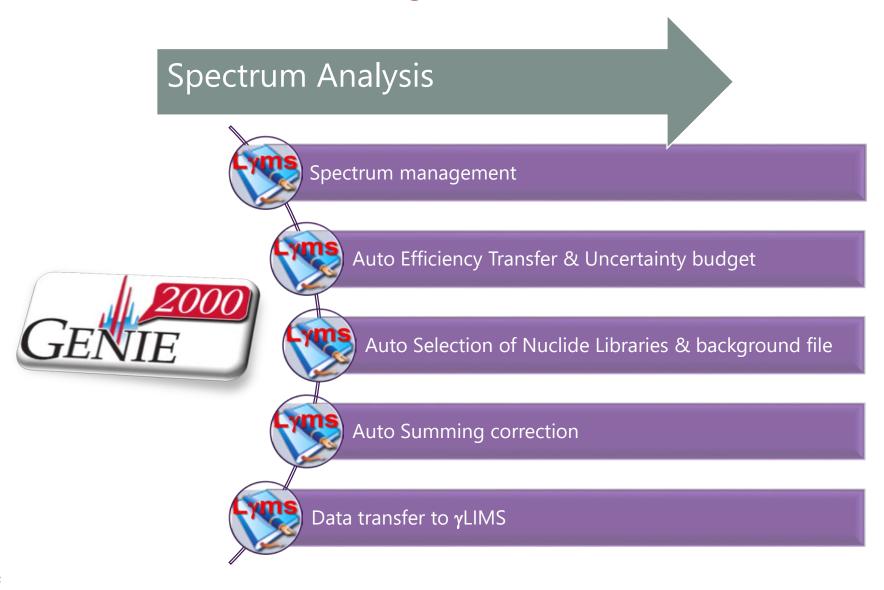
LIMS data

(Sample, Detector) couple Start – Stop commands Via barcode reader

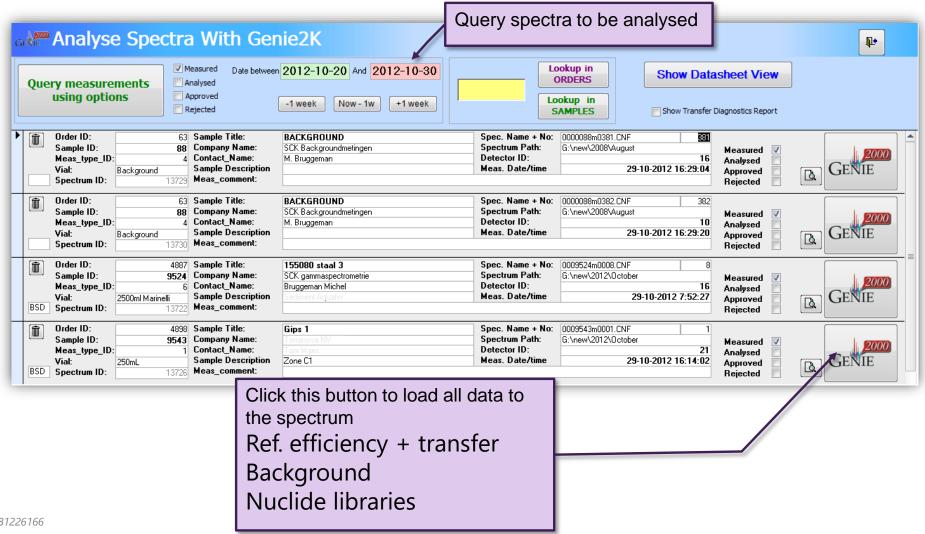
# Acquisition dashboard with QC functions visible on all PCs



# **γ-LIMS** control of Analyses

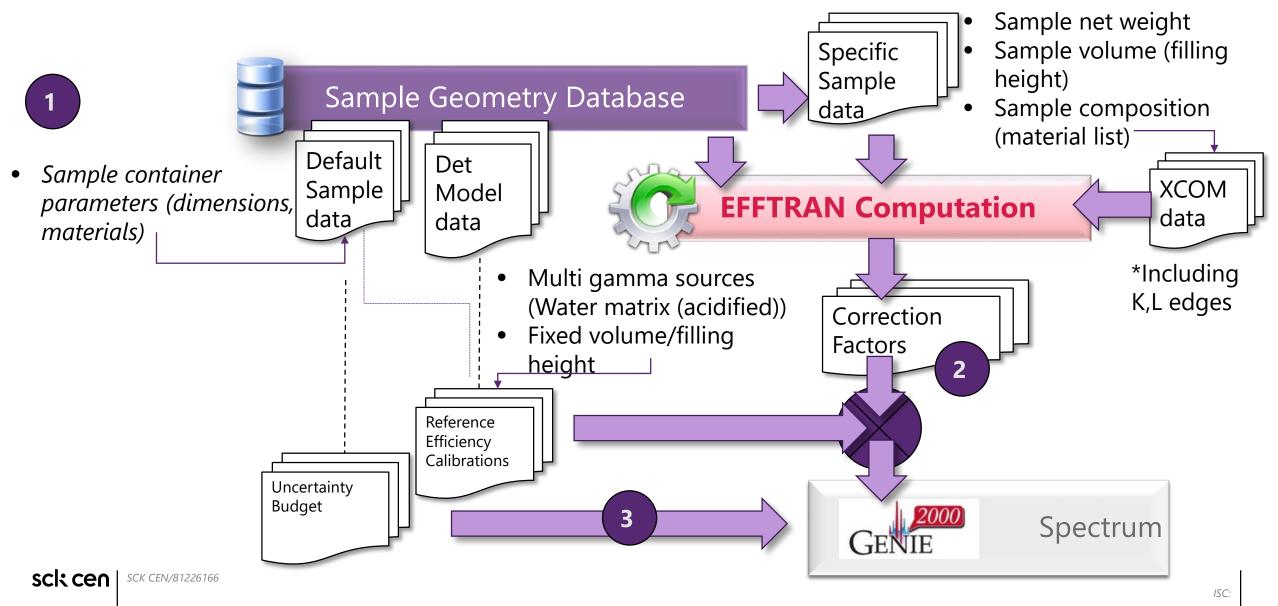


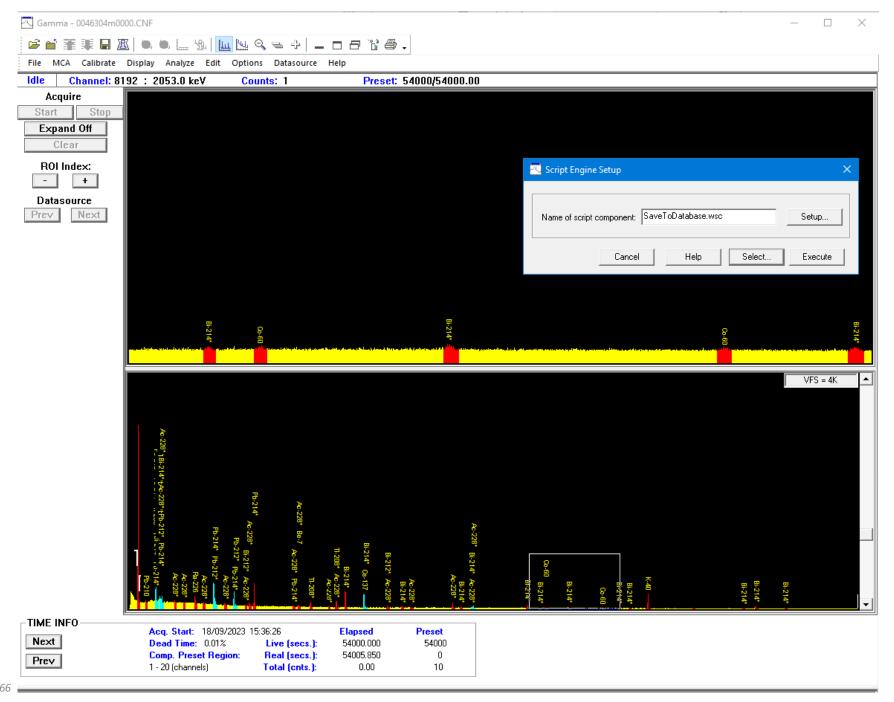
# γ-LIMS management of spectra

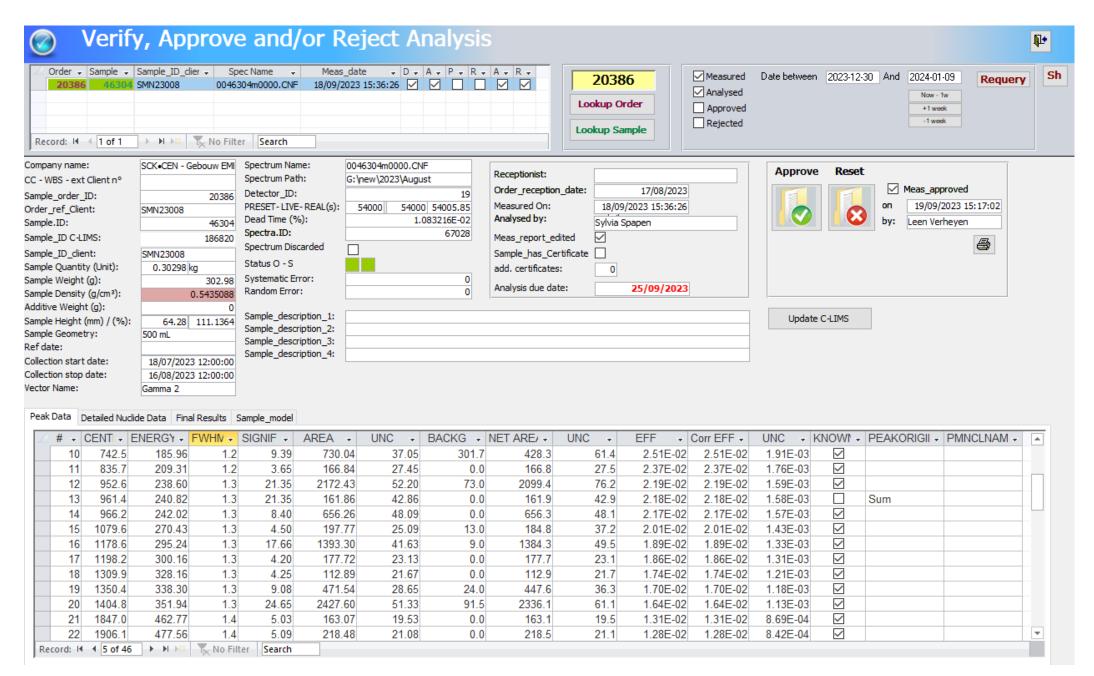


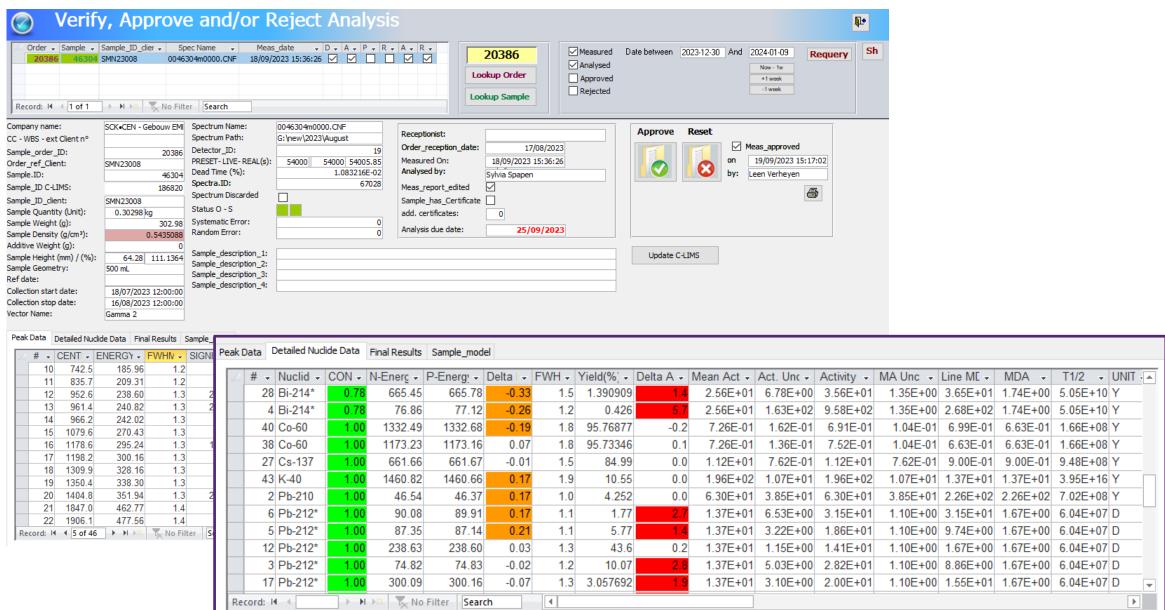


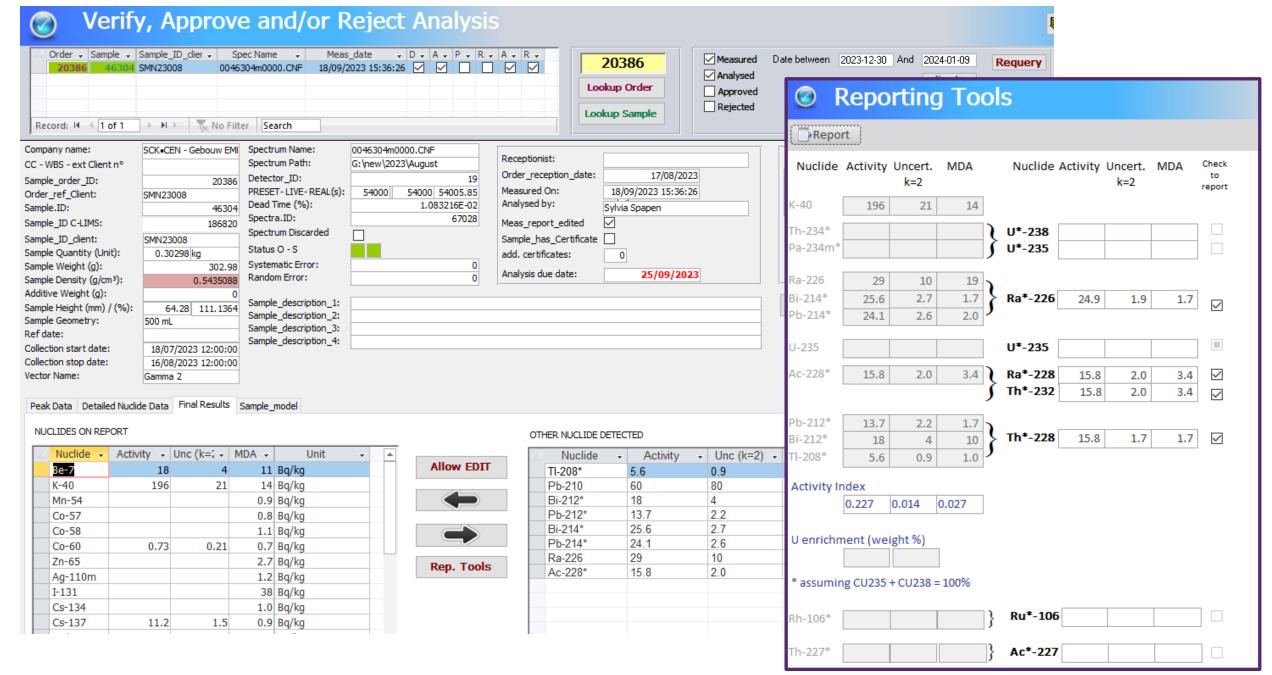
# Efficiency Transfer and Uncertainty Budget imported in Genie 2000











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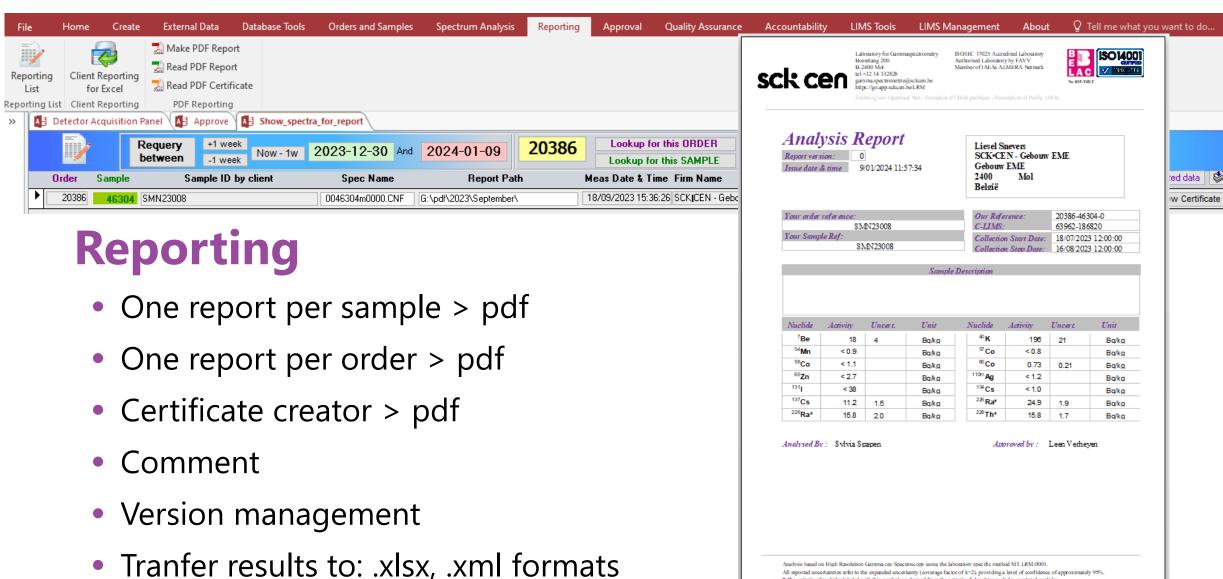
# Reporting





# Reporting

- One report per sample > pdf
- One report per order > pdf
- Certificate creator > pdf
- Comment
- Version management
- Excel report per client per period
- emailing



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\* The activity of nuclides labeled with this symbol are derived from the activity of daughter nuclides or related nuclides.

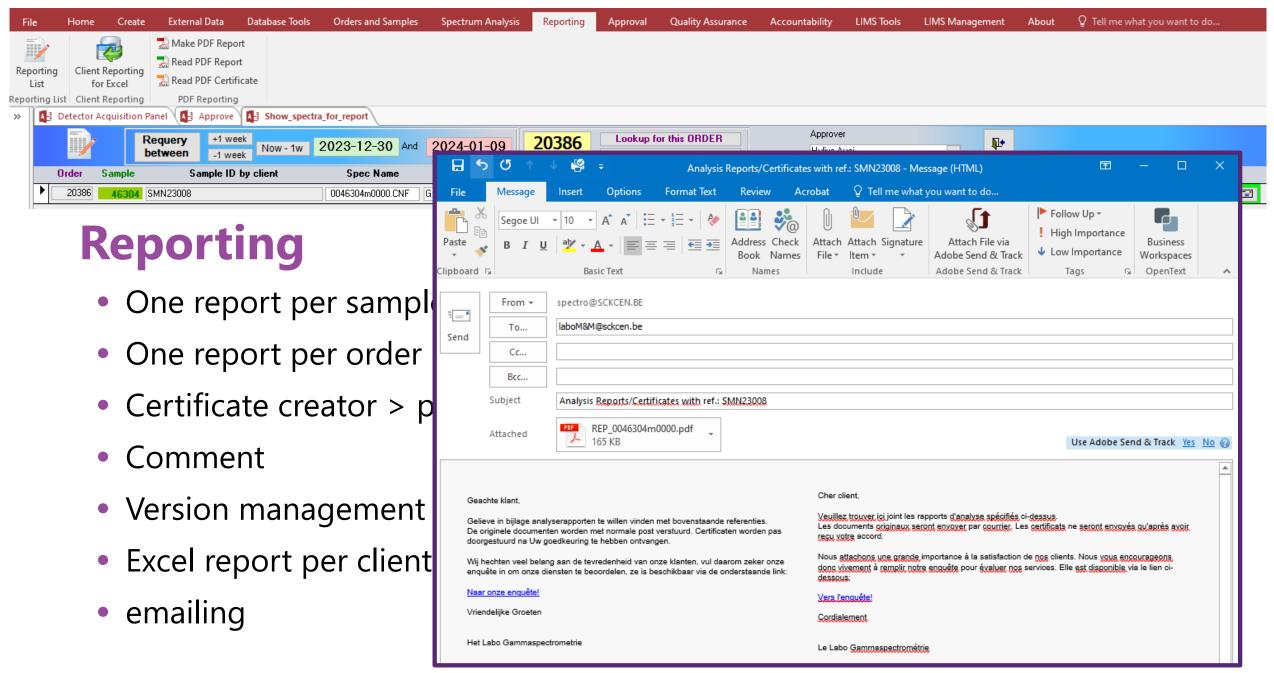
Detection limits are computed according to ISO 11929 with σ=β= 5 %.

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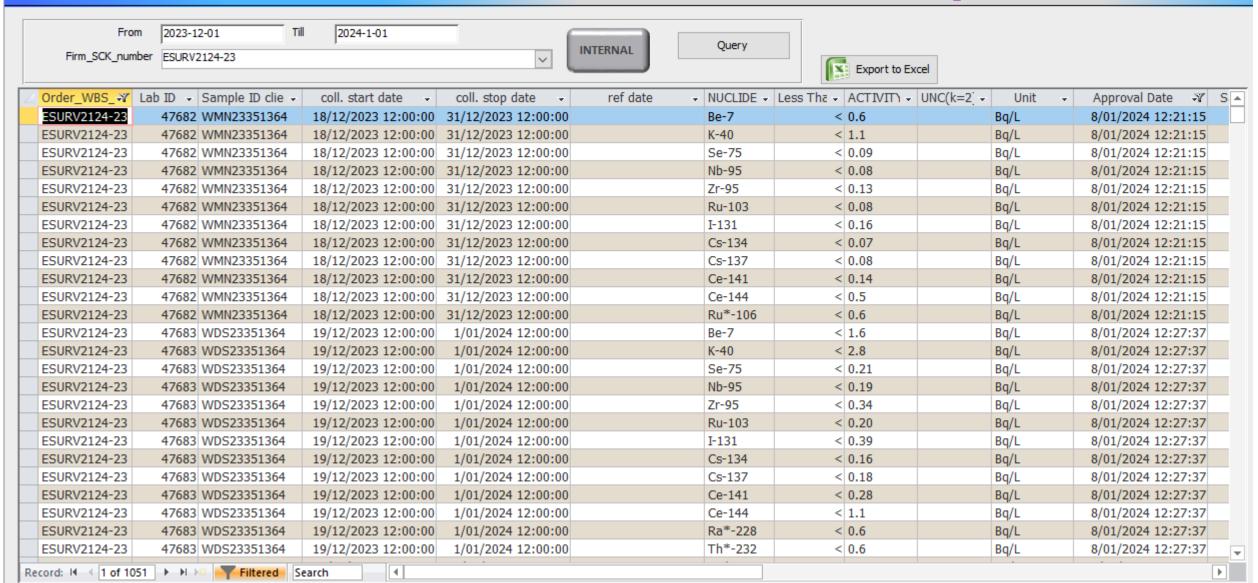
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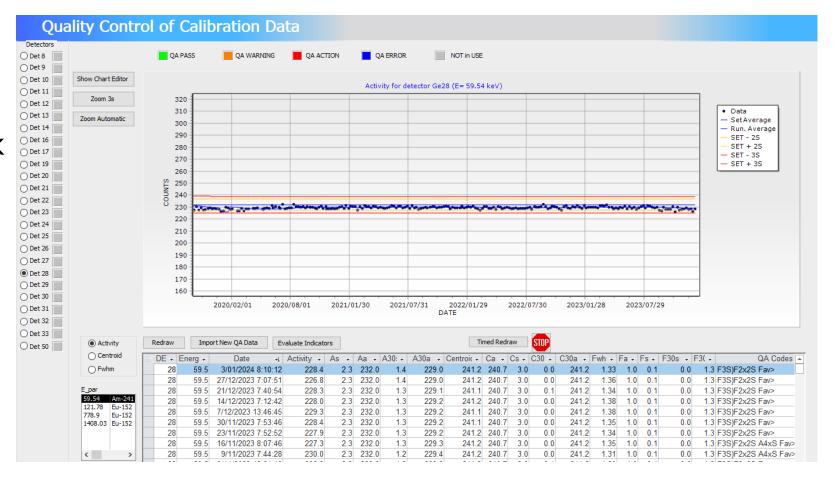
### **Query Client Specific Results**

### **Export to excel**

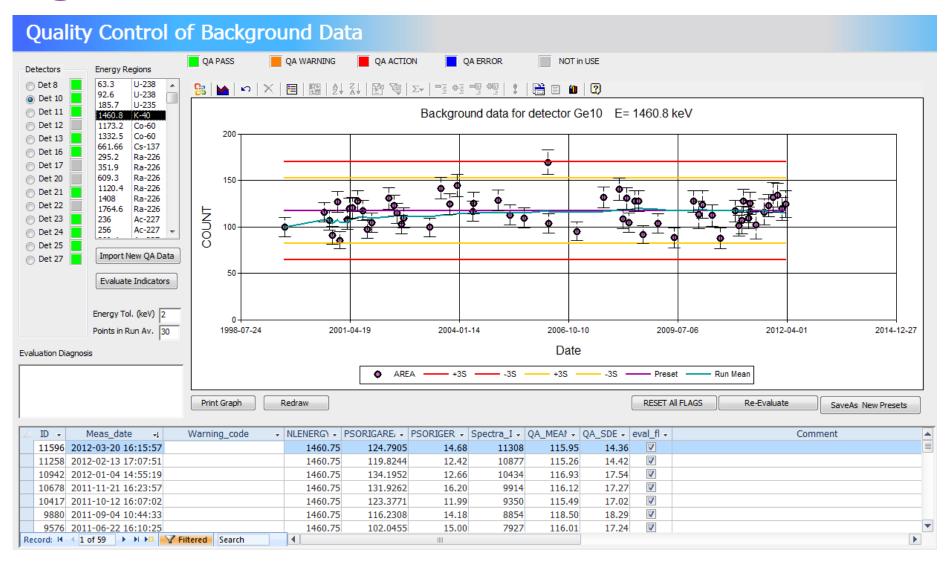


### **Quality assurance**

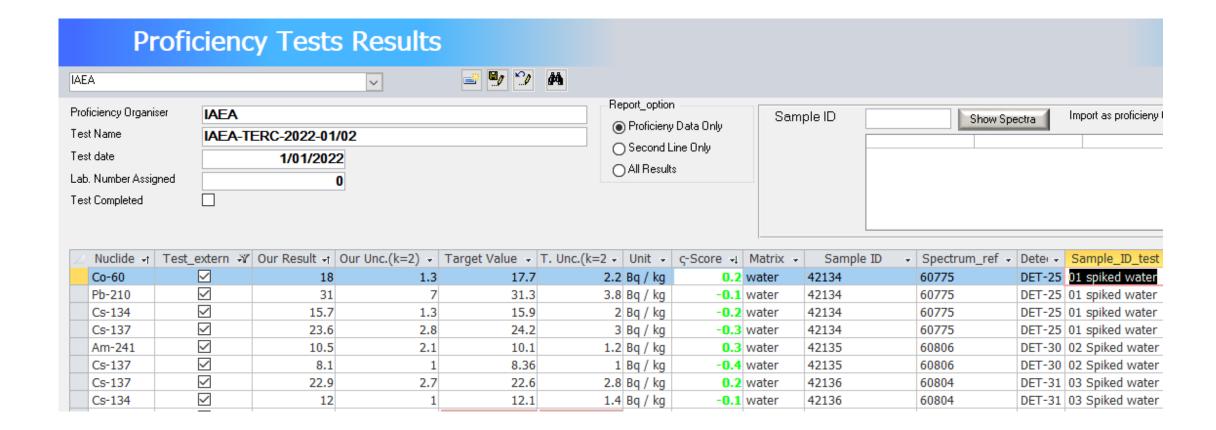
- Quality control check
  - > QCC
- Quality Background check> QBC
- Proficiency Testing



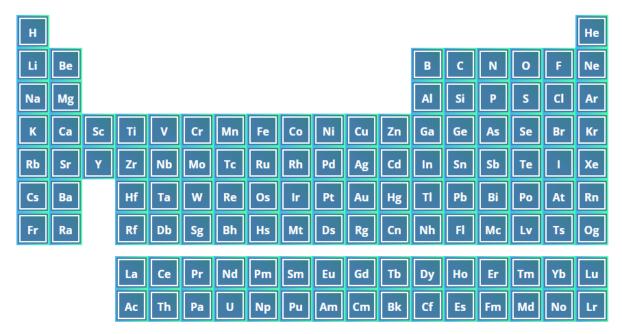
### **Background correction (ex. K-40)**



### Registration and evalution of Proficiency tests



# Use of recommended nuclear data www.nucleide.org

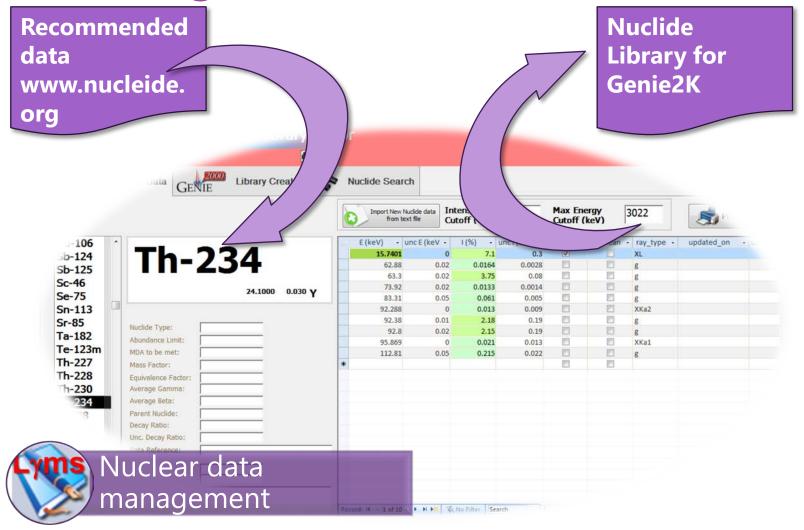


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Ac-228	<sup>228</sup> Ac	89	6	22/01/2010	3	T	С	E P L B
Ag-108	<sup>108</sup> Ag	47	3	04/09/2006	2	Т	С	E P L B

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### **Conclusions**

A LIMS will improve your analysis process and work efficiency

- Automation via dedicated interfacing
  - Minimises human blunders in data treatment
  - Assures a same level of quality for all samples treated
  - Contributes to confidence based on diagnostics and easy verification options
  - Increases throughput
  - Simplifies methods (instructions)
  - Easier training of new operators
  - Offers more flexibility (continuity in process by different operators)
- Easy data tracking options
- Communication with customers (ISO 17025)

All functionality needs to be validated





Any questions, ideas, ...

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