

Harmonized Terminology for CCQM Comparisons

Nomenclature for comparison type	Description
Core key comparison (Track A)	Demonstrates core measurement capabilities
Specialised Key Comparison (Track C)	Demonstrates defined measurement capabilities in more specialised areas
Pilot study (Track D)	Comparisons of emerging measurement areas or techniques or Learning exercises examining particular measurement areas or techniques
Model 1 Comparison	Coordinating laboratory sends samples for measurement to participants
Model 2 Comparison (Reference Material Comparison)	An alternative way of comparison organization: performed by participants sending samples they have value assigned to a central coordinating laboratory which performs comparison measurements