

# Intern kvalitetskontroll - hvordan bør det gjøres?

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Quality  
management-,  
assurance- and  
control have  
their roots in  
the telephone  
industry



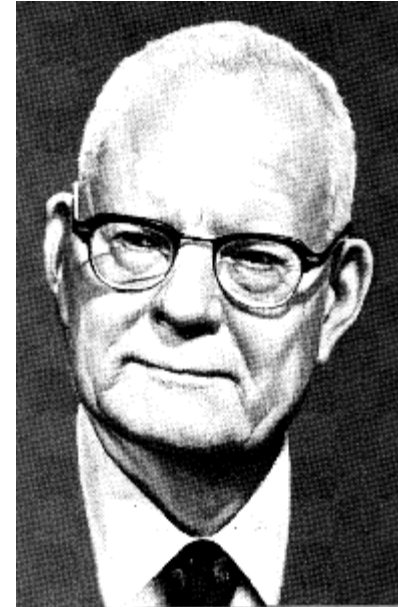
# Western Electric Company

- 1905, Hawthorne Works, near to Chicago, employing 45 000 persons
- "Hawthorne effect" - individuals modify their behaviour in response to their awareness of being observed
- **Walter A. Shewhart**



# W. Edwards Deming

- Worked with Shewhart in the 1930:s at Western Electric
- Studied under Sir Ronald Fisher and Jerzy Neyman at University College, London in 1936
- Book: “Statistical Method from the Viewpoint of Quality Control”, 1936
- Worked in Japan from 1947
- Deming orthogonal regression

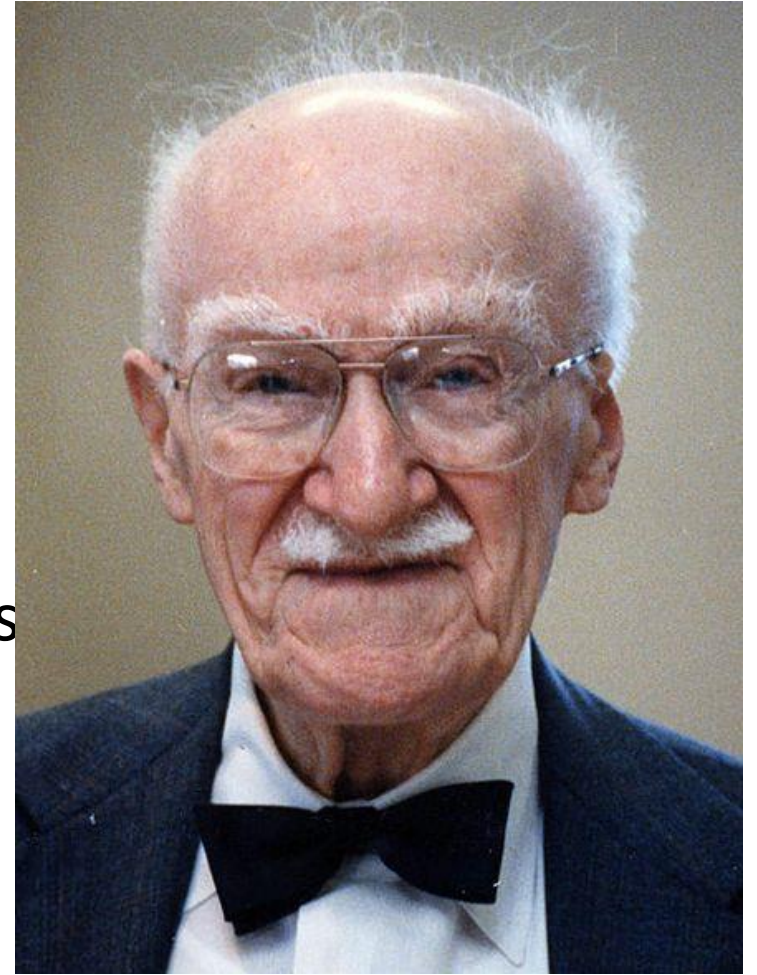


$$\text{Quality} = \frac{\text{Results of work efforts}}{\text{Total costs}}$$



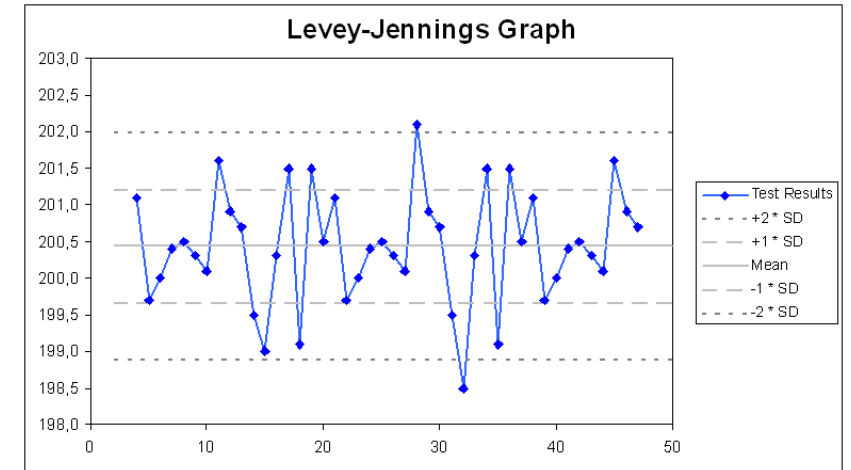
# Joseph M. Juran

- Western Electric, Hawthorn, 1924
- Focused on management for quality
- Worked in Japan from 1954
- Juran's "Quality Control Handbook" 1951
- Pareto principle – "roughly 80% of the effects come from 20% of the causes"



# Levey-Jennings control chart

- The distance from the mean is measured in standard deviations (SD)



# Henry and Segalove control chart

- The relation to events, especially dates plotted on the X-axis

*J. Clin. Path.* (1952), 5, 305.

## THE RUNNING OF STANDARDS IN CLINICAL CHEMISTRY AND THE USE OF THE CONTROL CHART

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# Westgard, de Verdier, Groth, Aronsson

- Westgard JO, Groth T, Aronsson T, Falk H, de Verdier CH (1977) Performance characteristics of rules for internal quality control: probabilities for false rejection and error detection. Clin Chem 23: 1857–1867.
- Multirules
- Power function graphs

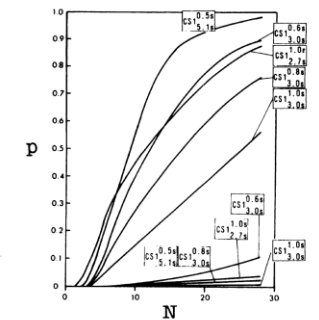
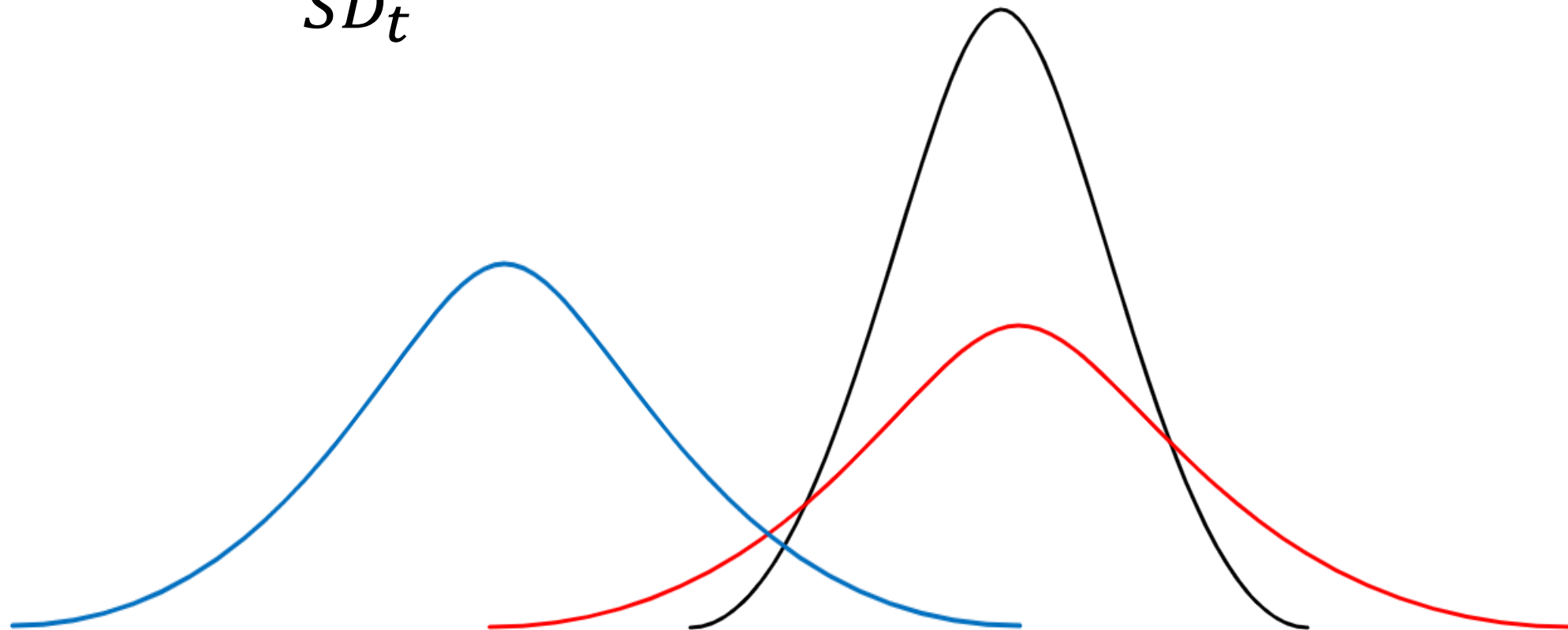
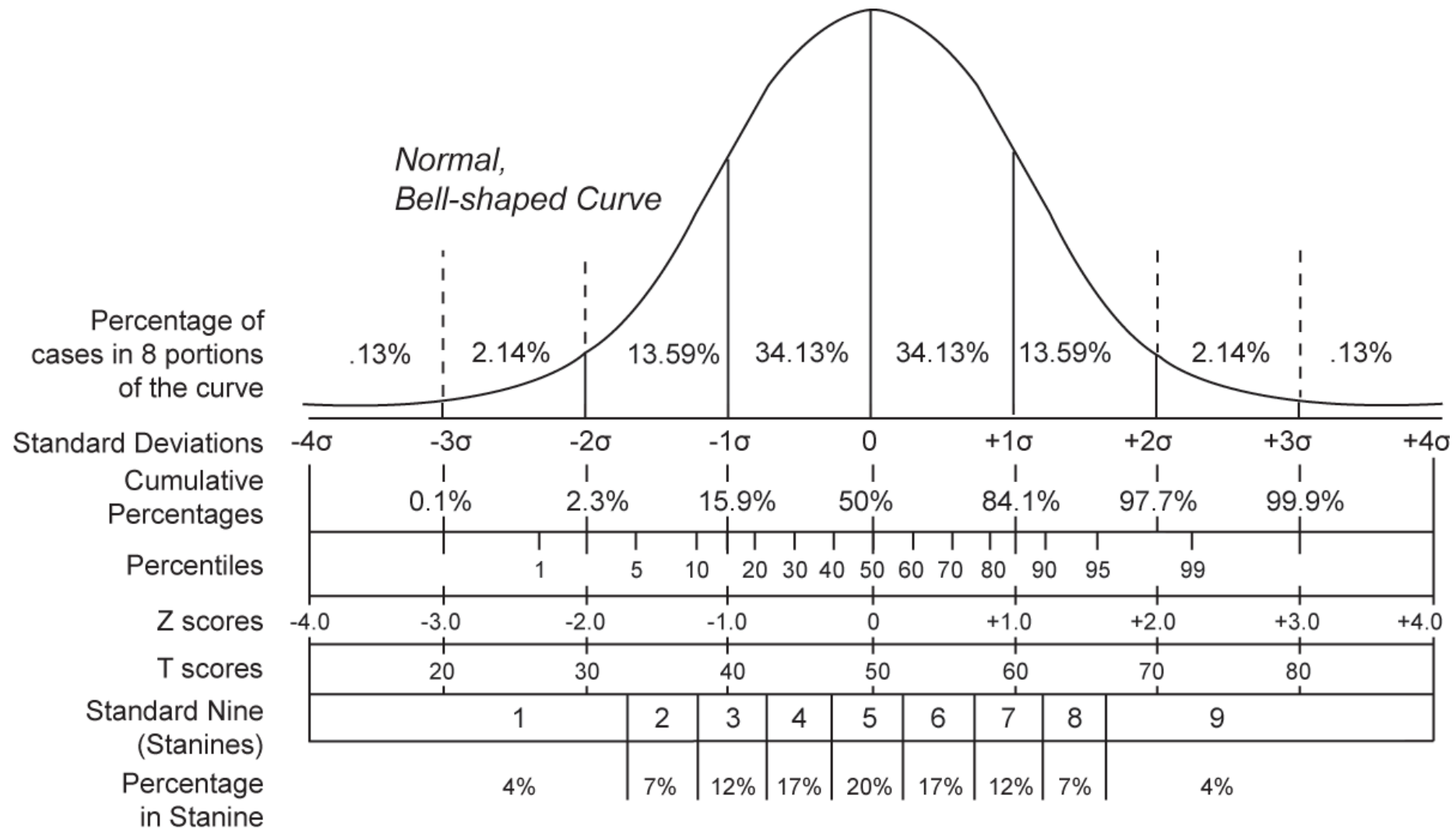


Fig. 4. Responses of individual decision limit cusum control rules to a systematic shift equivalent to 1.0s (top part of figure) and when no analytical errors are present (bottom part of figure). In Figures 4–9, the probability for rejection ( $p$ ) is plotted vs. the number of control observations ( $N$ ).

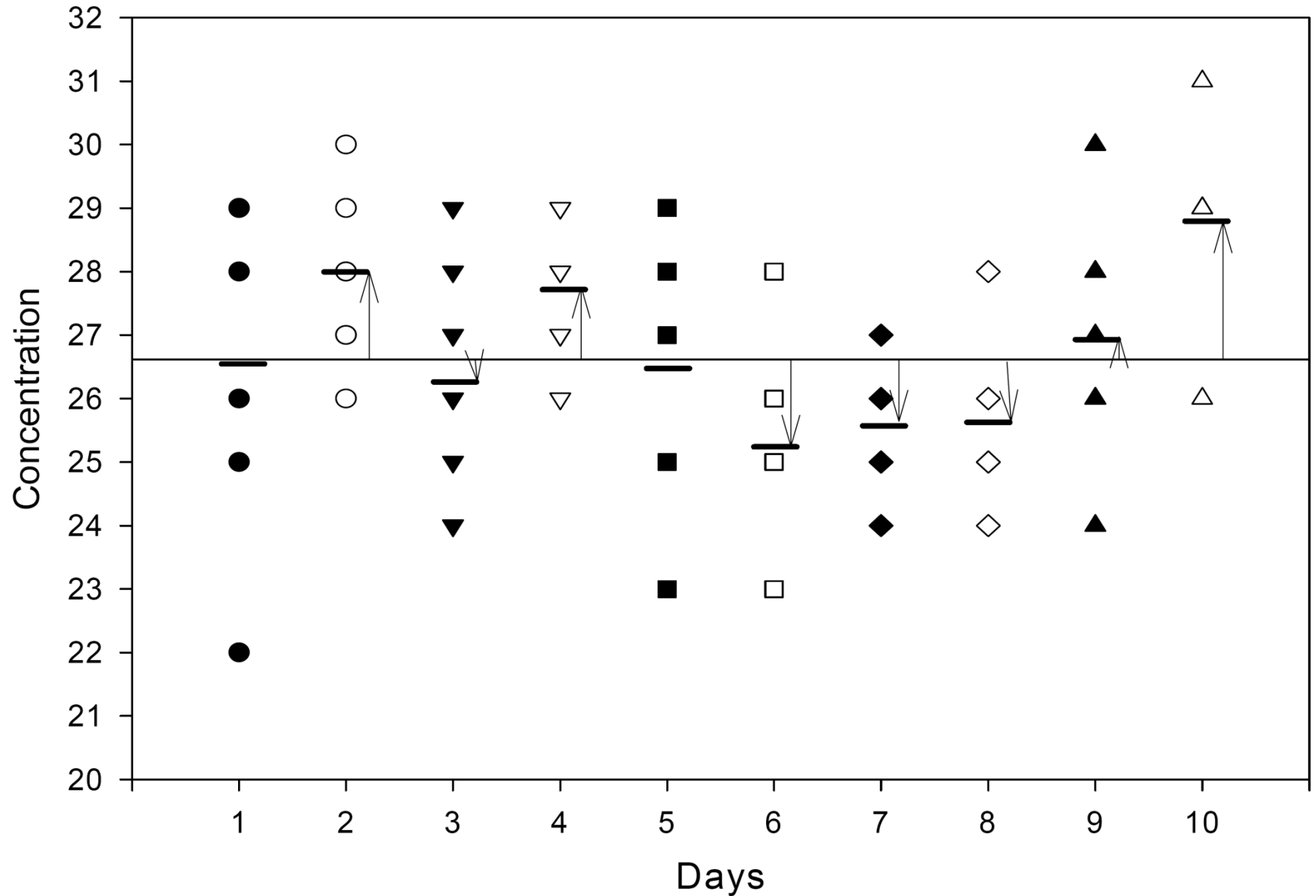
$$\text{Z-score} = \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{SD_t}$$







Repeatability  
and  
Reproducibility



$$CV\% = \frac{SD}{\bar{x}}$$

$$CV_t^2\% = CV_w^2\% + CV_b^2\%$$

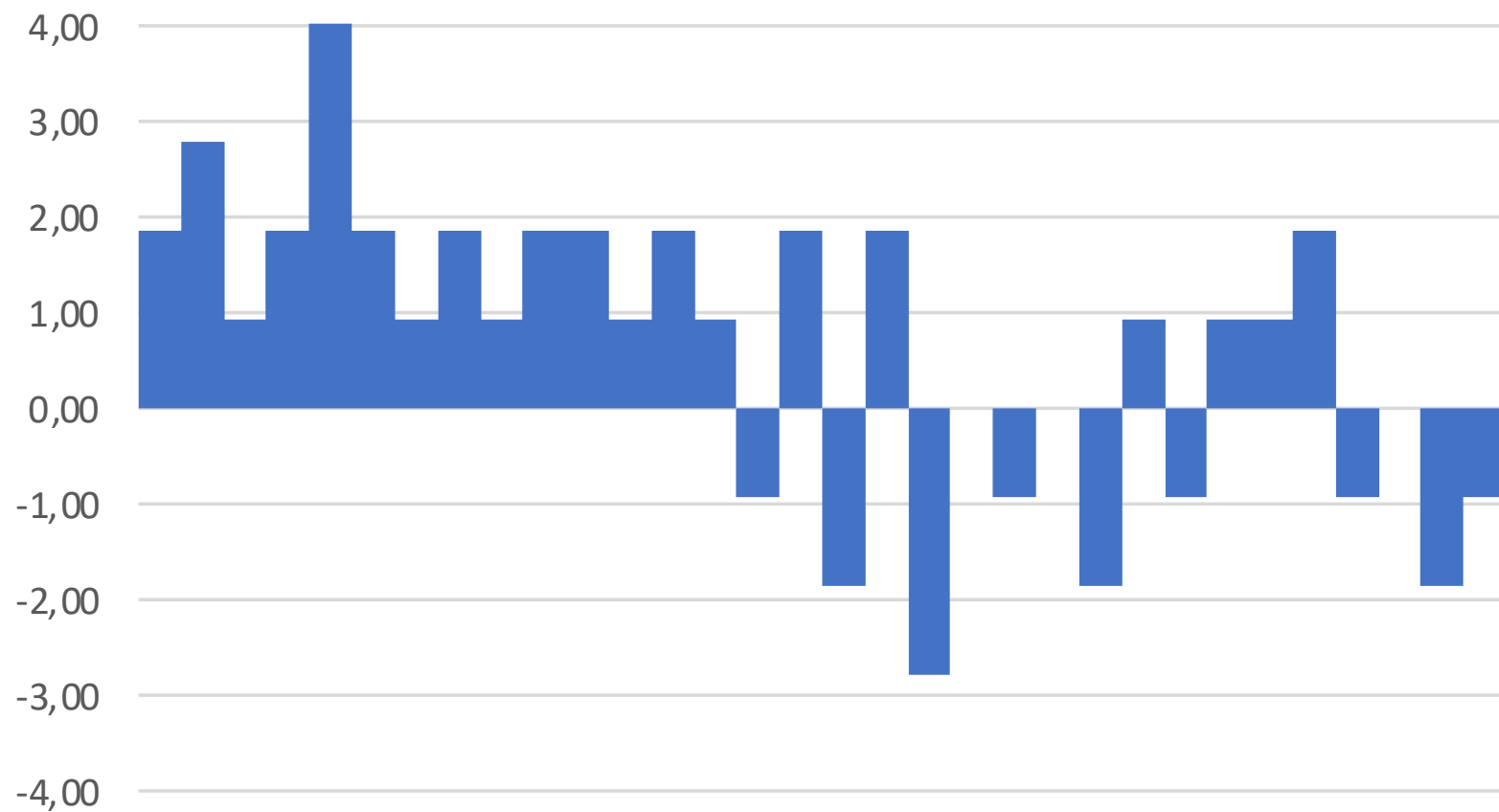
w=repeatability imprecision

b=reprerproducibility imprecision

$$SD_t = \frac{CV_t\% * \bar{x}}{100}$$

$$\text{Z-score} = \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{SD_t}$$

## HbA1C

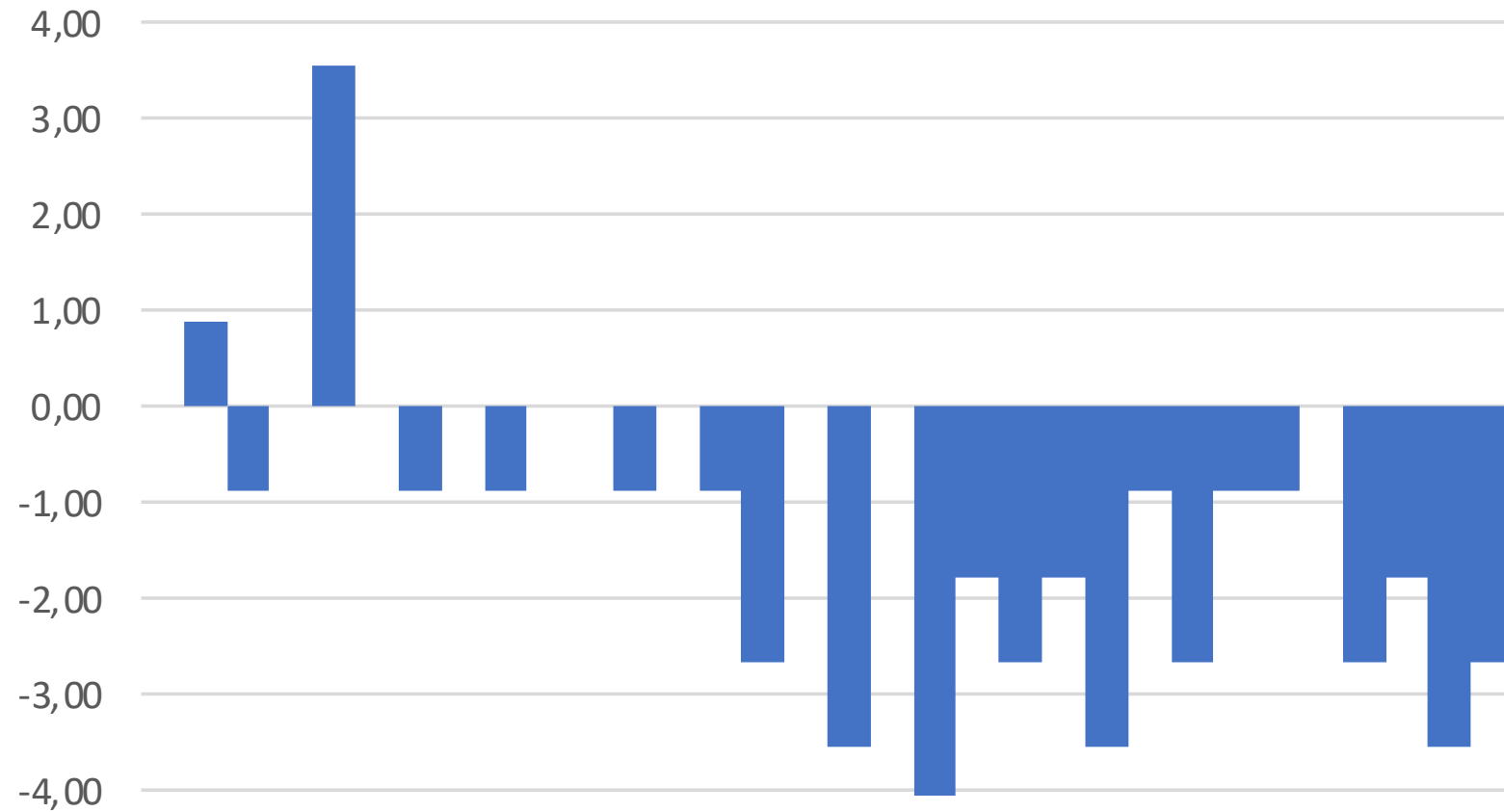


Mean = 4.3

CWw = 1.5

CVb = 2

# HbA1C



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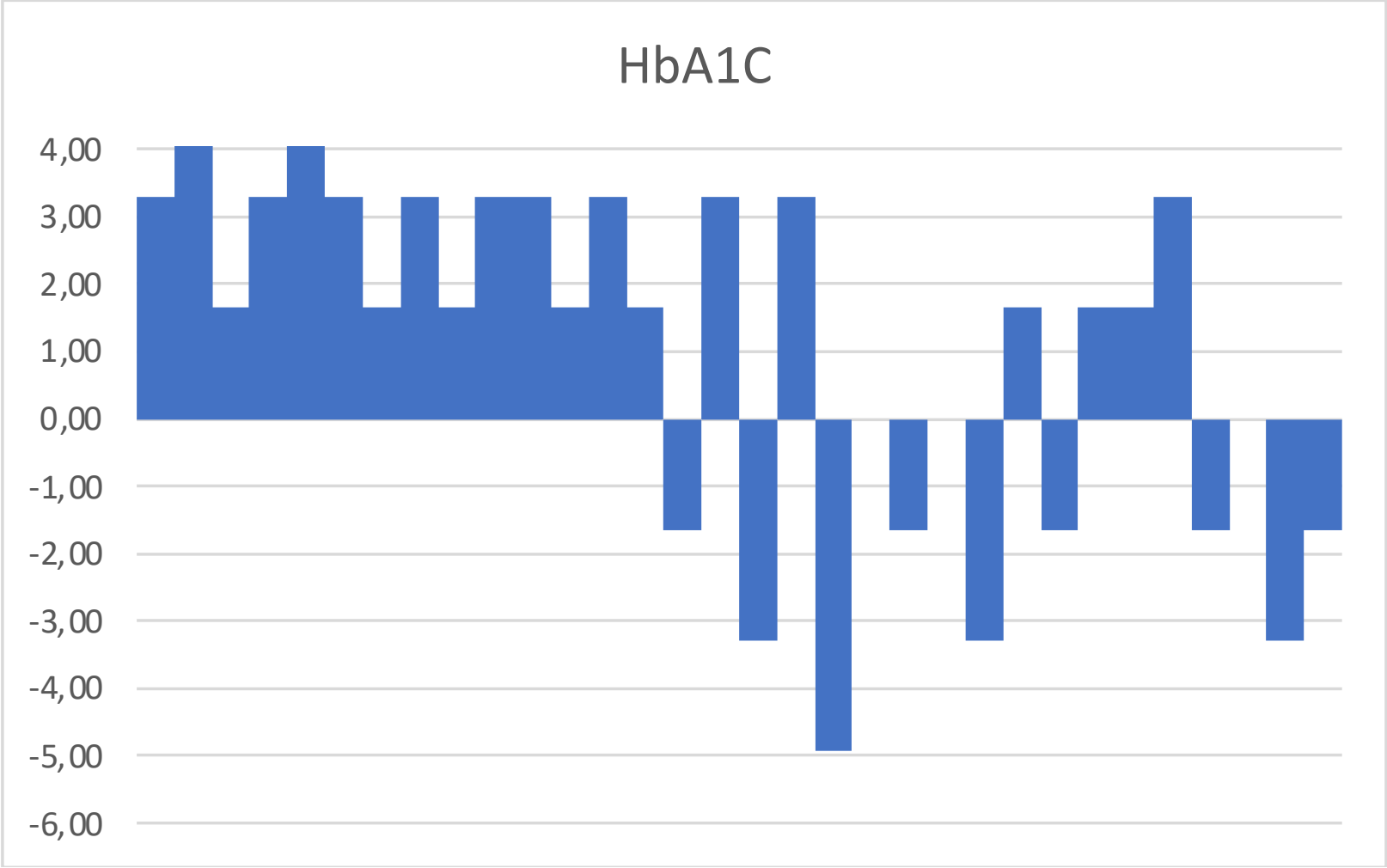
CWw = 1.5

CVb = 2

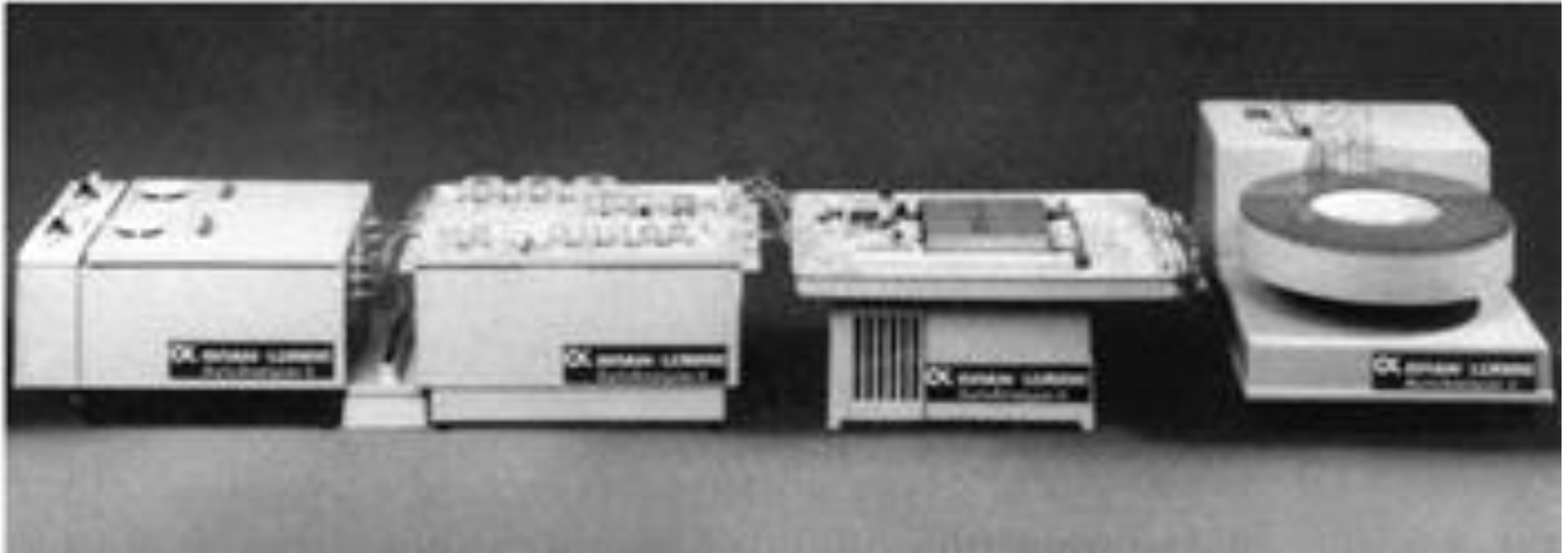


HbA1C

Mean = 4.3  
CWw = 1  
CVb = 1



## Technicon AutoAnalyzer II in the 1970's



The SEAL AutoAnalyzer 3 HR is the most recent version of the original AutoAnalyzer II. It's designed specifically for industrial and environmental sample analysis



# In practice 1(2)

1. Use the same stabilized control material for internal quality control for the same measurand for all measuring systems in the whole laboratory organization
  - Purchase at least a one year supply of the same lot number of the control material
2. The **imprecision** (repeatability + reproducibility) is usually stable as lot numbers change/re-calibrations are performed
3. Change of lot numbers/re-calibrations commonly make **change of expected mean value** mandatory.
  - Otherwise, statistical control rules (e.g.  $1_{3s}$   $2_{2s}$   $10_x$ ) give incorrect signals.
  - Change of expected mean values for the same control material is not cheating

## In practice 2(2)

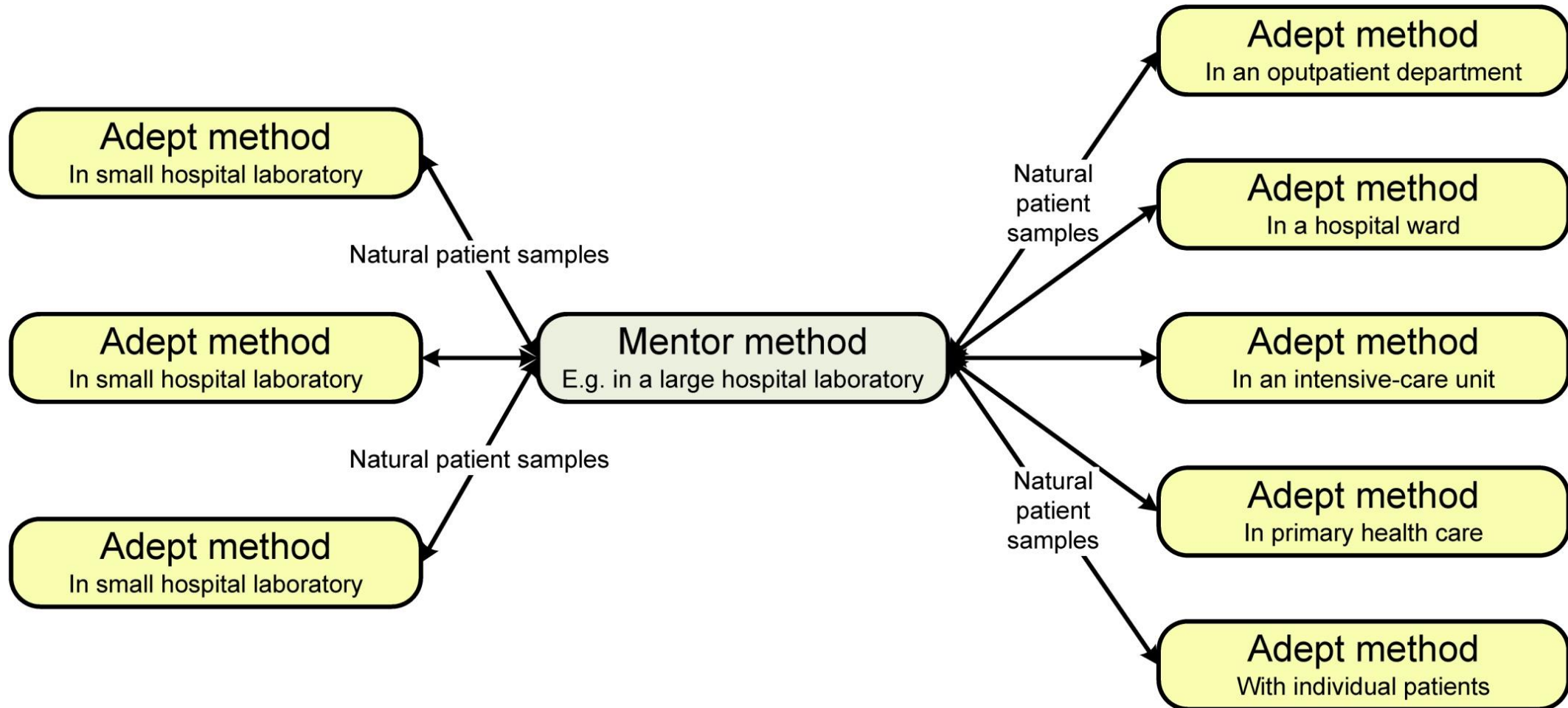
### 4. **Do not overcomplicate** the use of control rules

- $1_{3s}$   $2_{2s}$   $10_x$  may e.g. serve you well when intelligently used

- ### 5. Calculate the **total uncertainty** (repeatability variance + reproducibility variance) at least every month as far back as the same lot number of the internal quality control material was used
- The total uncertainty will then include both the imprecision and the varying biases caused by the lot-number changes/re-calibrations
  - The total uncertainty is an appropriate measure of the measurement uncertainty component of the **diagnostic uncertainty** when using the measurand in question for clinical diagnosis



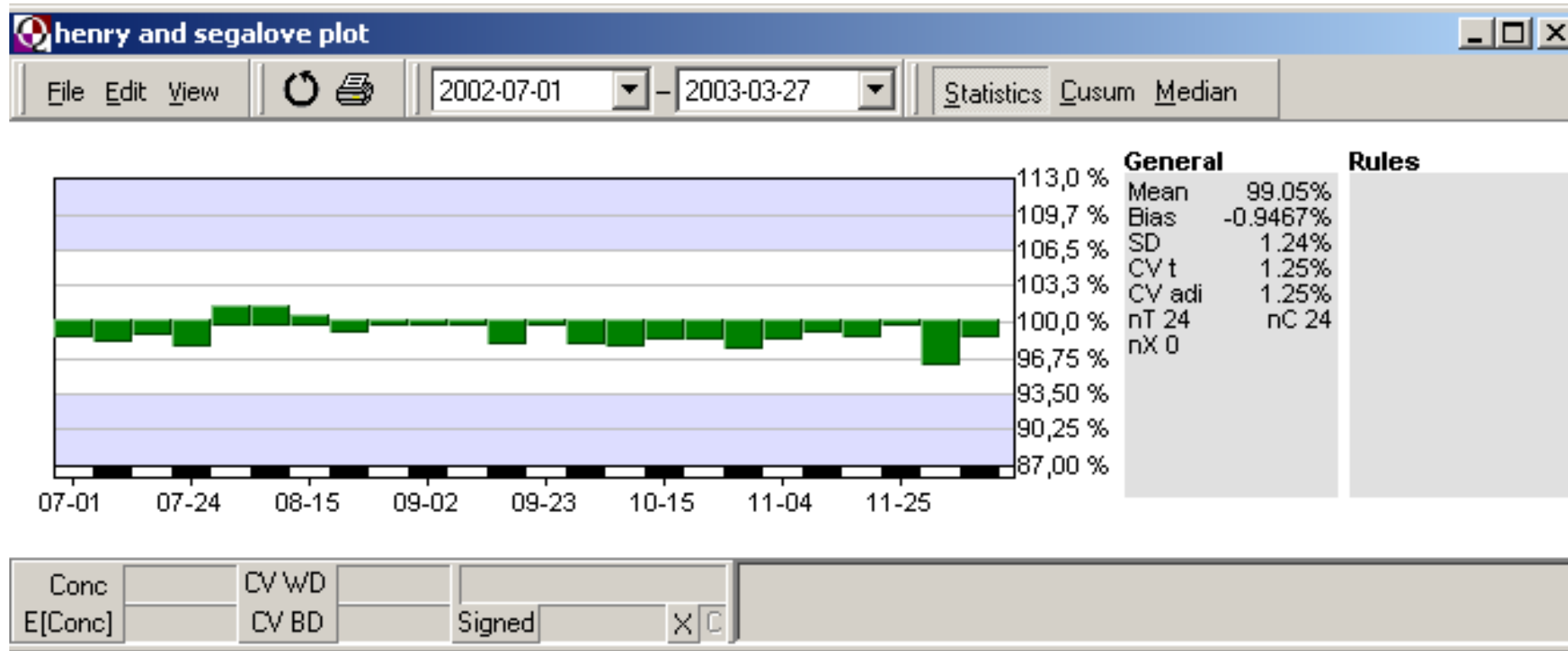
# Reproducibility measurement uncertainty using natural patient samples



# Norming results

$$\text{Normed result} = \frac{\text{Adept} - \text{Mentor}}{\text{Mentor}} * 100$$

# Norming the results



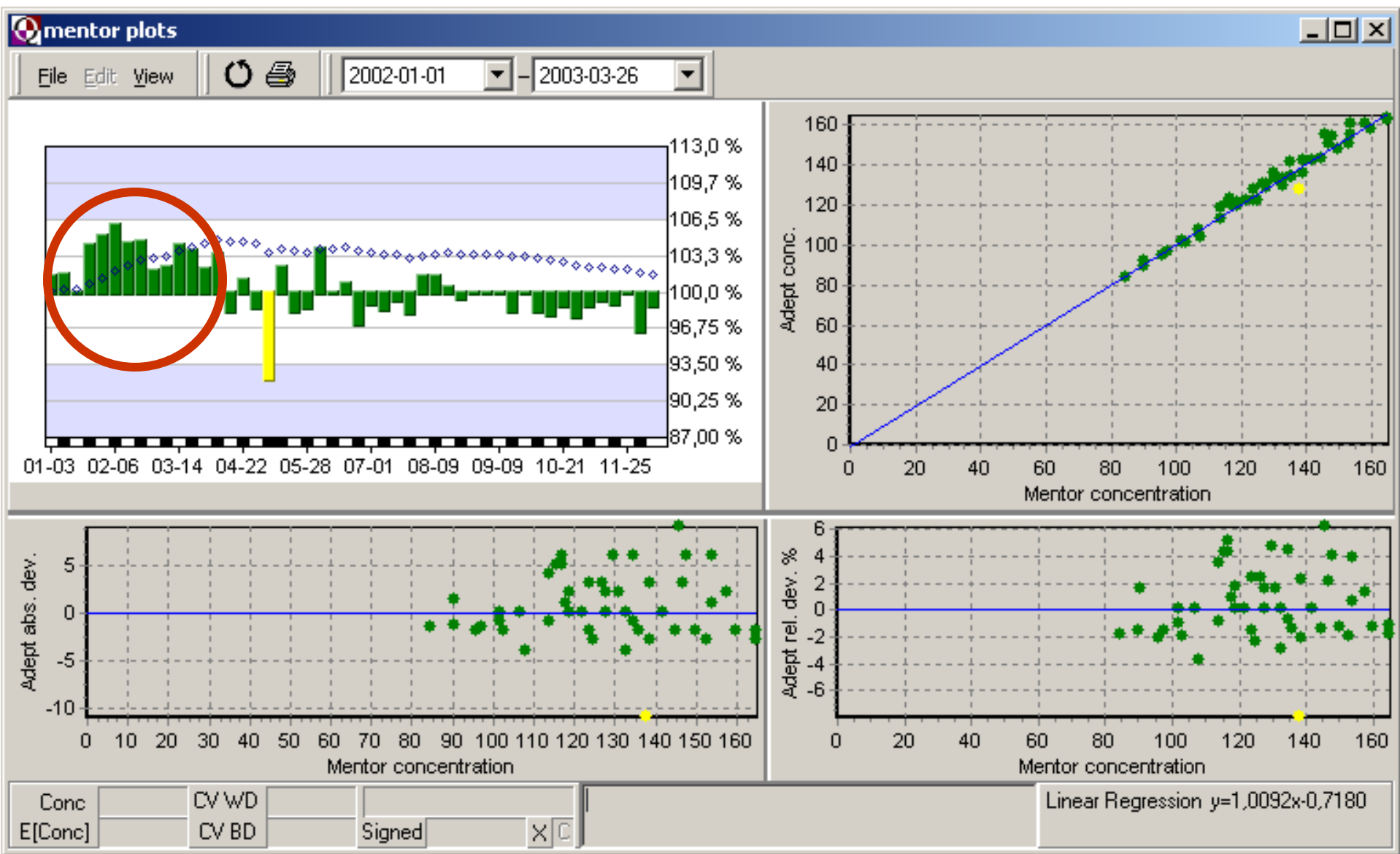
The results from the adept instrument/method as a negative bias of about 1% compared to the mentor instrument. This bias varies with a standard deviation of 1.24%

# Norming the results

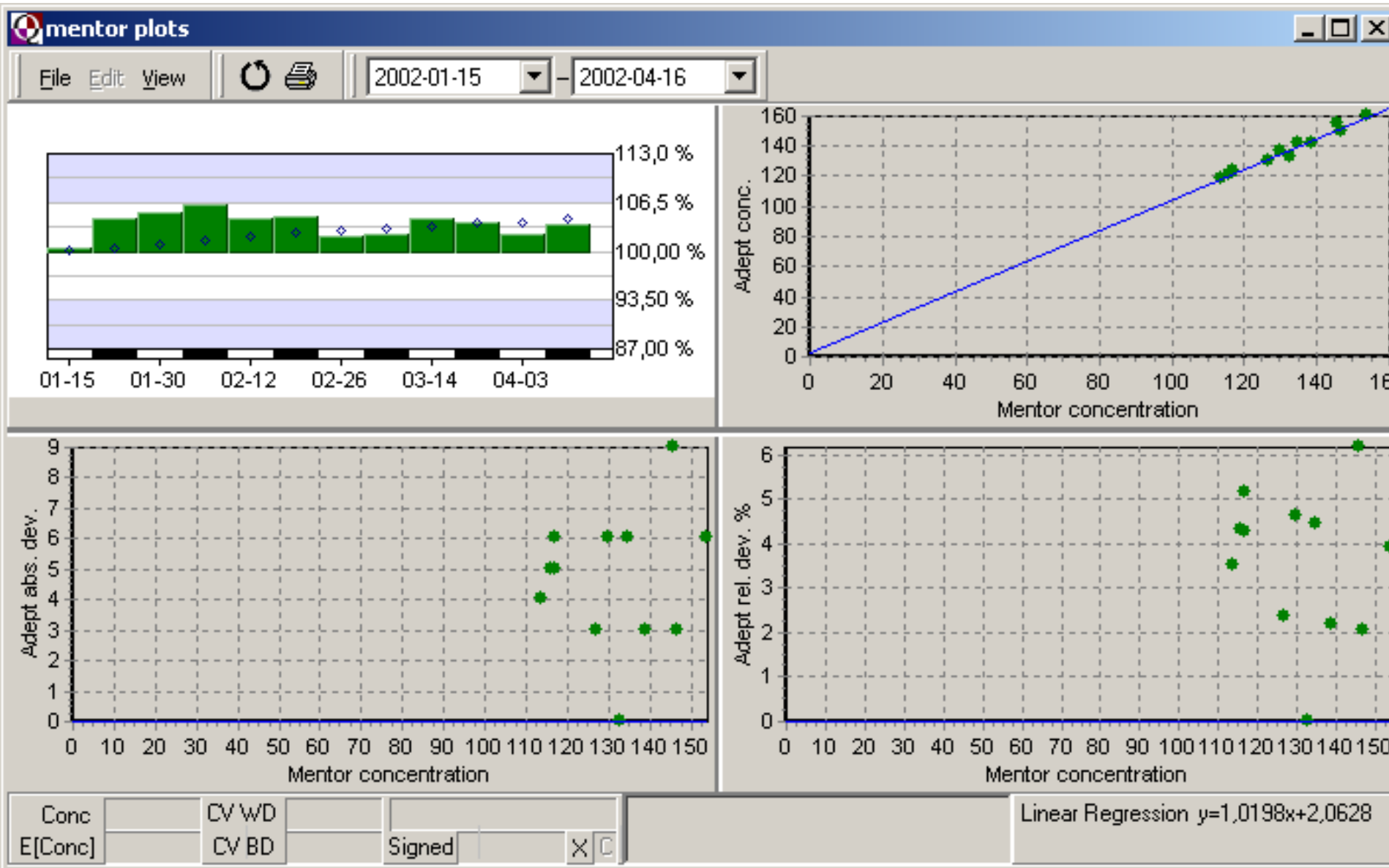
Express each of the adept values as a percent of the corresponding mentor value.

”The results of the adept method in this case is about 1% lower than the measurements performed on the mentor instrument. This bias varies with a standard deviation of 1,24%

Tidsstämpel	Instrument	Adept	Mentor	Normerat värde
2002-07-01 12:00	925	163,0	165,0	98,79%
2002-07-09 09:40	925	96,0	97,6	98,36%
2002-07-15 07:30	925	101,0	102,0	99,02%
2002-07-24 10:00	925	94,0	96,0	97,92%
2002-07-29 09:40	925	130,0	128,0	101,56%
2002-08-09 10:00	925	133,0	131,0	101,53%
2002-08-15 09:29	925	155,0	154,0	100,65%
2002-08-21 10:09	925	134,0	135,0	99,26%
2002-08-30 10:30	925	119,0	119,0	100,00%
2002-09-02 12:49	925	102,0	102,0	100,00%
2002-09-09 11:10	925	122,0	122,0	100,00%
2002-09-16 07:59	925	150,0	153,0	98,04%
2002-09-23 10:50	925	128,0	128,0	100,00%
2002-10-02 09:00	925	83,0	84,6	98,11%
2002-10-08 10:00	925	136,0	139,0	97,84%
2002-10-15 09:35	925	143,0	145,0	98,62%
2002-10-21 10:02	925	143,0	145,0	98,62%
2002-10-28 10:30	925	122,0	125,0	97,60%
2002-11-04 11:39	925	134,0	136,0	98,53%
2002-11-12 14:35	925	113,0	114,0	99,12%
2002-11-19 08:50	925	158,0	160,0	98,75%
2002-11-25 10:20	925	142,0	142,0	100,00%
2002-12-02 10:50	925	104,0	108,0	96,30%
2002-12-09 11:10	925	148,0	150,0	98,67%
			<b>Medelvärde</b>	<b>99,05%</b>
			<b>SD</b>	<b>1,24%</b>







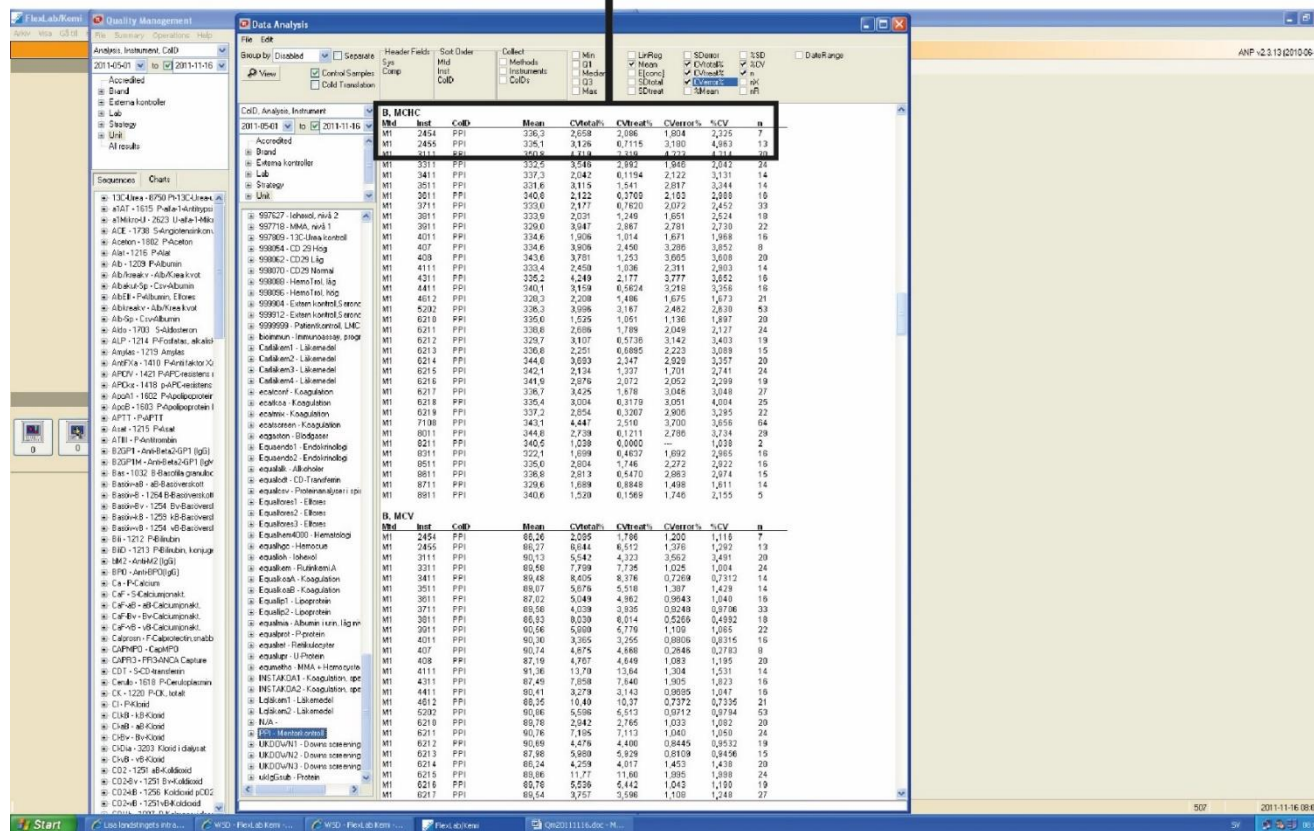
# Variance component analysis

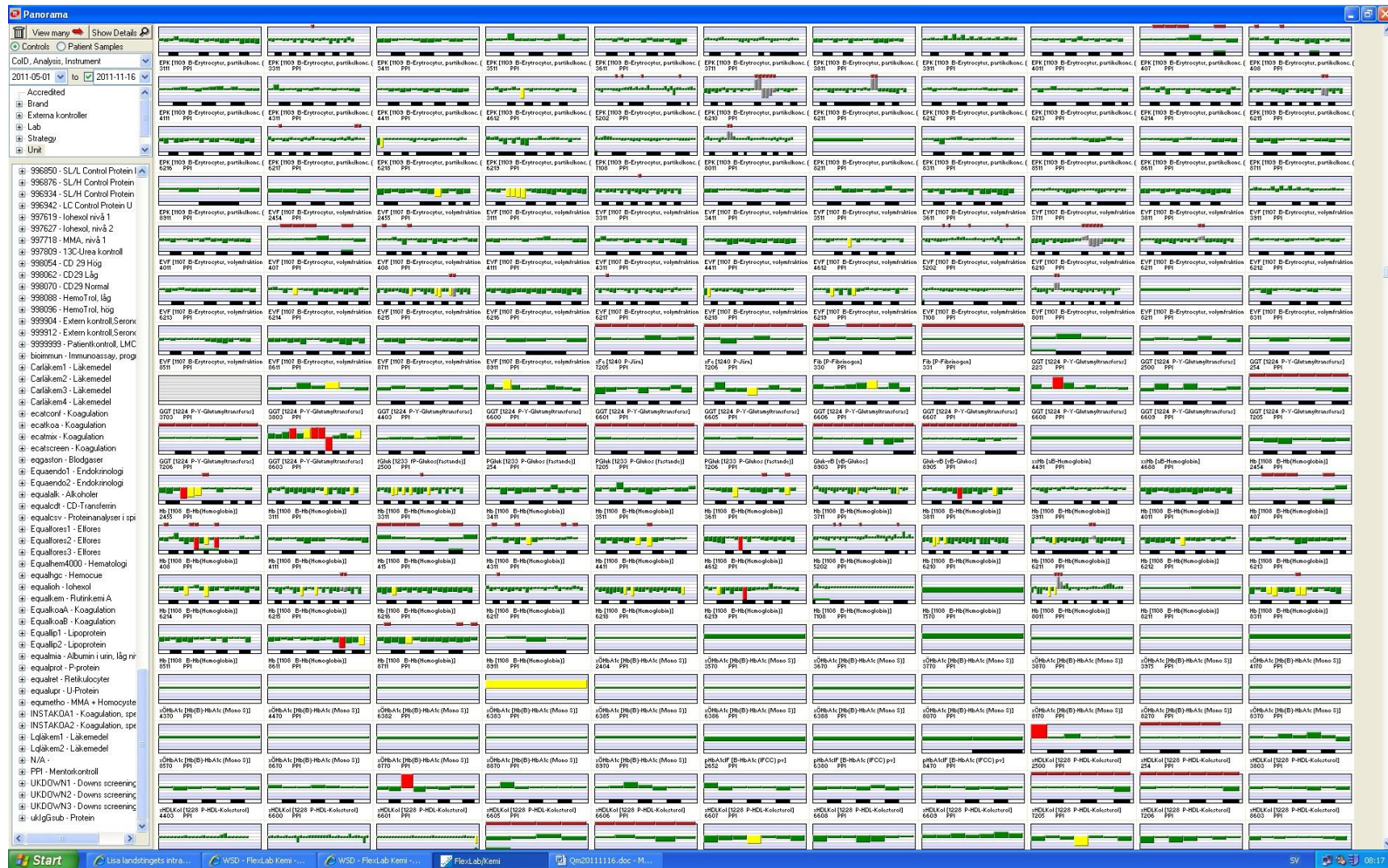
B, MCHC								
Mtd	Inst	CoID	Mean	CVtotal%	CVtreat%	CVerror%	%CV	n
M1	2454	PPI	336,3	2,658	2,086	1,804	2,325	7
M1	2455	PPI	335,1	3,126	0,7115	3,180	4,963	13
M1	3111	PPI	350,8	4,719	2,319	4,222	4,214	20
M1	3311	PPI	332,5	3,546	2,992	1,946	2,042	24

Investigating which of the following

- Measuring system
- Reagents
- Laboratory
- Operator

Contributes most to the overall diagnostic uncertainty





# Obstacles to mentor-adept methods and to secondary adjustments

- Regulatory organizations including the EU (IVD) and the FDA
- Accreditation authorities
- Risks isolating the adept laboratories from the community of laboratories participating in regular external quality control/proficiency testing schemes

# Important components of IQC

- Stabilized control materials
  - At least two levels
  - Enough for at least one year of use in the the entire laboratory organization
- Natural patient samples
  - Commutability
  - Trust
  - An appropriate IT system is needed
- Thourough knowledge of the statistical principles needed
- Single laboratory or all laboratories and measurement systems in the laboratory organization