

**FAQ No: FAQ-GRP-052**

**Title: Why is there no UKAS mark on the Sucrose Solutions supplied by Bellingham + Stanley**

**Background:**

Bellingham + Stanley is a UKAS accredited Calibration Laboratory, No.0834. The scope of accreditation encompasses sucrose solution calibration, which can be seen in full by visiting the UKAS website.

**Why is there no UKAS mark on the sucrose solutions supplied by Bellingham + Stanley?**

Due to logistical reasons, Bellingham + Stanley has decided to appoint a suitable subcontractor to manufacture sucrose calibration solutions on their behalf and in accordance with EN ISO/IEC 17025:2005 Clause 4.5. The subcontractor, Paragon Scientific., a UKAS accredited Calibration Laboratory No. 0649, has been supplying Bellingham + Stanley operations in the United States for over 10 years and has been awarded the UK and Europe supply contract.

However, under the current guidelines of UKAS, which in turn is controlled by the DTI, it is not possible to show a UKAS mark where a calibration has been carried out under contract, even if BOTH laboratories (Bellingham + Stanley and Paragon Scientific) are both accredited.

**Resolution:**

Bellingham + Stanley and Paragon Scientific are currently lobbying UKAS and the DTI to rectify the situation so that the UKAS mark can be shown on the certificates of calibration issued under contract.

We hope to be able to add the UKAS quality mark to sucrose solutions in the near future.

**Assurance:**

Please be assured that the control of sucrose solutions manufactured by Bellingham + Stanley and Paragon Scientific are strictly controlled. The evaluation of the sucrose calibration materials has been carried out in accordance with EN ISO/IEC 17025:2005 Clause 5.4.6 Estimation of uncertainty of measurement and of course, a supplier audit is regularly made by Bellingham + Stanley in accordance with ISO9001:2008.

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