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## 2013 Impact Factors Announced for SLAS Journals

**CHICAGO** – The Society for Laboratory Automation and Screening (SLAS) announces that 2013 impact factors (Source: 2014 Journal Citation Reports) have been published for its two official journals – the *Journal of Biomolecular Screening* (JBS) and the *Journal of Laboratory Automation* (JALA).

Impact factors are calculated annually and published in Journal Citation Reports by Thomson Reuters. An impact factor is regarded as a standardized quantitative measure of the relative quality and success of a journal, the research papers it publishes and the authors who write the papers. Impact factors are determined by dividing the number of current citations a journal receives to articles published in the two previous years by the number of articles published in those same years. Citation data is drawn from more than 10,800 journals from over 2,550 publishers in approximately 232 disciplines from 83 countries.

### ***Journal of Biomolecular Screening (JBS)***

#### **Impact Factor: 2.012**

- In relative terms, this score results in JBS ranking 37 out of 76 journals in the Analytical Chemistry category; 85 out of 165 in the Biotechnology & Applied Microbiology category; and 49 out of 78 in the Biochemical Research Methods category
- JBS Editor-in-Chief is Robert M. Campbell, Ph.D., of Eli Lilly & Company, Indianapolis, IN

### ***Journal of Laboratory Automation (JALA)***

#### **Impact Factor: 1.50**

- In relative terms, this score results in JALA ranking 45 out of 76 journals in the Analytical Chemistry category; and 65 out of 78 in the Biochemical Research Methods category
- JALA Editor-in-Chief is Dean Ho, Ph.D., of the University of California, Los Angeles

“JALA and JBS reflect SLAS’s commitment to world-class education,” says SLAS CEO Gregory F. Dummer. “Contributions by more than 2,000 volunteer experts annually ensure rigorous peer-review and high quality. Both journals consistently rank as the most valued benefit of SLAS membership. We are proud they are performing so well.”

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SLAS publishes two internationally recognized, MEDLINE-indexed journals. ***The Journal of Laboratory Automation (JALA) and Journal of Biomolecular Screening (JBS)*** uniquely serve laboratory science and technology professionals who work primarily in life science R&D. Together, JALA and JBS address the full spectrum of issues that are mission-critical to this important audience, enabling scientific research teams to gain scientific insights, increase productivity, elevate data quality, reduce lab process cycle times and enable experimentation that otherwise would be impossible.

Specifically, JALA explores ways in which scientists adapt advancements in technology for scientific exploration and experimentation. In direct relation to this, JBS reports how scientists use adapted technology to pursue new therapeutics for unmet medical needs, including assay development, identification of chemical probes and target identification and validation in general.

2014 is the nineteenth year of publication for both journals.

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