

# Management Review

**Laboratory Name:**

**Date:**

**Completed By:**

**Participants (Name, Title):**

## Outline<sup>1</sup>

### Executive Summary:

- Changes in Relevant Issues (Internal and External)
- Fulfillment of Objectives
- Short-term/Long-term Goals
- Highlights

### Suitability of Policies and Procedures:

#### Quality Management System Documentation

- Quality Manual
  - Quality Policy and Objectives (e.g., Competence, impartiality, consistent operations)
- Documentation, Process Systems, Procedures, Supporting Documents<sup>2</sup>, and Records
  - Administrative Procedures (SAPs)
  - Good Measurement Practices (GMPs)
  - Operating Procedures (SOPs)
  - Documentary Standards, Technical Procedures, Specifications (External Sources)
  - Software
  - Other

### Improvement Opportunities

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<sup>1</sup> This report template describes the essential elements required by NIST Handbook 143 (2019) for laboratory recognition. A management review must be conducted annually at least 6 months prior to the annual recognition submission cycle, but can occur more frequently.

<sup>2</sup> See the Laboratory Master List for approved processes, procedures, and supporting documents.

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## Reports:

### Previous Management Review(s)

- Outcome
- Status of Actions (Corrective & Improvement)
- Evaluation of Effectiveness of Actions

### Internal Audits

(Quality, Technical, Safety)

- Outcome
- Status of Actions (Corrective & Improvement)
- Evaluation of Effectiveness of Actions

### Other Corrective Actions

- Outcome
- Status of Actions (Corrective & Improvement)
- Evaluation of Effectiveness of Actions

### External Assessments

(Recognition, Accreditation, Customers)

- Outcome
- Status of Actions (Corrective & Improvement)
- Evaluation of Effectiveness of Actions

## Workload:

### Summary of Work Volume, Type, and Changes

- Customers (New, Returning)
- Areas of Measurement Scope, Number of Artifacts
- Trends (Increases, Decreases)
  - How has your workload changed (increase/decrease)?
  - Are you seeing trends in the workload (measurement area, artifact type)?
  - Are you observing changes in customer requests (frequency, turnaround time needed)?
  - Workload survey. Describe workload comparison with other labs (e.g., with similar scopes, region)?
  - Changes in customers (quantity, industry sector)?
  - Increase/decrease in out of state customers?
- Opportunities for Improvement
  - Expand, improve, or discontinue measurement service(s) offered?

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## Customer and Personnel Feedback:

- Sources may include: surveys, direct elicitation, benchmarking, focus groups, social media analysis, customer service notes, correspondence, suggestion box, website analytics, feedback/complaint forms, and cancelled services.
- Quantity, Trends (increase/decrease)
- Positive
- Negative (Complaints)
- Status of Actions (Corrective & Improvement)
- Evaluation of Effectiveness of Actions
- Opportunities for Improvement
  - Identified customer needs?
  - Process improvements?

## Other Relevant Factors:

### Resource Adequacy

(6.1) Describe the level of available resources that enable the laboratory to manage and perform its activities.

- Personnel (6.2 - Impartiality, competence requirements, selection, training, supervision, authorized signatories, monitoring of competence, demonstrated proficiency)
- Facilities and Environmental Conditions (6.3 - Suitability, monitoring, control, stability, upgrades, repairs, access, contamination, interference, incompatible activities)
- Equipment (6.4 - Access, handling, transport, storage, maintenance, purchase, repair, suitability)
- Metrological Traceability (6.5, Annex A)
  - Standards (e.g., Calibrations needed, purchasing new standards for gaps)
  - Measurement Assurance (e.g., Control charts, range charts)
  - Procedures (e.g., Validation of new and laboratory developed)
- Externally Provided Products and Services (6.6 - Suitability, defining and reviewing requirements, evaluation, selection, acceptance criteria, competence, monitoring performance, re-evaluation)

### Risk Identification Results

- Impartiality (4.1 - Activities, organization and personnel relationships, elimination, minimization)
- Actions to Address Risks (8.5 - Enhance opportunities, avoid threats, prevent or reduce undesirable impacts and potential failures, achieve improvements)
  - Identified Risks

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- Evaluation of the Probability and Impact of Risks (e.g., Risk, probability, impact)
- Prioritization and Planned Actions
- Define Actions, Treatment of Risks
- Describe Integration and Implementation
- Evaluation of Effectiveness of Actions

## Assurance of the Validity of Results Outcomes

[7.7 - Review of results, detectable trends, monitor performance, proficiency testing (PT), and interlaboratory comparison (ILC)]

- Evaluation and Outcomes
  - Highlights
  - Internally Obtained Measurement Assurance Data (GLP 1)
  - Externally Obtained Measurement Assurance Data (GLP 1)
    - PT Participation Plan (e.g., 5-year plan)
- Status of Actions (Corrective & Improvement)
- Evaluation of Effectiveness of Actions

## Other Relevant Factors

- Monitoring Activities
- Training (e.g., Planned and accomplished training, training application and effectiveness, personnel competency, authorized signatories, succession planning)

## Management Review Outputs:

### Record all Decisions and Actions Related to:

- Quality Management System Effectiveness
- Laboratory Processes Effectiveness
- Improvement of Laboratory Activities Related to Fulfillment of ISO/IEC 17025, NIST HB 143 (Recognition), and NIST HB 150 (Accreditation)
- Provision of Required Resources
- Any Need for Change

# Management Review Action Plan<sup>3</sup>

**SUMMARY:**

<b>Created by</b>		<b>Creation Date</b>		<b>Action # or ID</b>	
<b>Action Type<sup>a</sup></b>	<i>Select one</i>	<b>Criteria<sup>b</sup></b>	<i>Select one</i>	<b>Priority<sup>c</sup></b>	<i>Select one</i>
<b>Source<sup>d</sup></b>	<i>Select one</i>				
<b>Title/Short Description</b>	<i>Create a title or short description that can easily be referenced</i>				
<b>Finding/Observation(s)</b>	<i>Describe in clear terms the finding that needs to be addressed</i>				
<b>Risk Assessment</b>	<i>Assess the risk to your laboratory as a result of the finding</i>				
<b>Root Cause</b>	<i>Use a common root cause analysis approach to evaluate why this happened (e.g., five whys)</i>				
<b>Proposed Action(s)</b>	<i>Describe what action(s) is proposed to resolve the finding(s)</i>				
<b>Due Date</b>		<b>Task Assigned To</b>			
<b>Completion Date</b>		<b>Task Verified By</b>			
<b>Final Action(s)</b>	<i>Describe what was the final action(s) taken to resolve the finding</i>				
<b>Action Effectiveness</b>	<i>Describe how was the action evaluated for effectiveness and if it proved to be effective</i>				
<b>Evaluation Date</b>		<b>Task Verified By</b>			

<sup>a</sup>Action Types: Corrective Actions (CA), Risk Minimization (RM), Improvement Actions (IA); <sup>b</sup>Criteria: Meets Criteria (OK), Nonconformity (X), Comment (C); <sup>c</sup>Priority: High = 1, intermediate = 2, Low = 3; <sup>d</sup>Source: Complaint (C), Internal Audit (A), LAP Problems (LAP), Employee Observations (EO)

<sup>3</sup> Copy and paste the table as needed for each action item that results from the Management Review.

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- Action Plan Log<sup>4</sup>

Action # or ID	Action Type	Creation Date	Title	Finding/Observation(s)	Proposed Action(s)	Assigned To	Due Date	Actual Completion Date	Evaluation for Effectiveness Date

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<sup>4</sup> Action Plan Log may be maintained electronically in a spreadsheet or database format.  
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