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ALA Opens Online Access to JALA Scientific Content

CHICAGO – The Association for Laboratory Automation (ALA) announced that the scientific content published in its official peer reviewed journal, the Journal of the Association for Laboratory Automation (JALA), will now become available to the public via JALA Online (www.labautomation.org) two years after its initial publication. Nonscientific content will continue to be available online immediately upon publication.

“This policy change is in direct line with ALA’s mission and goals,” said ALA President Erik Rubin. “JALA is a very high-value educational product. ALA’s commitment to educating and informing the scientific community makes open access an imperative. The two-year delay creates an exclusive benefit for ALA’s current stakeholders whose membership dues make educational products like JALA possible.”

Currently in its fourteenth year of publication, JALA is a multi-disciplinary international forum devoted to the advancement of technology in the laboratory. Six issues are published each year under the direction of Editor-in-Chief Dean Ho, Ph.D., of Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, and in partnership with Elsevier. Subject and author indexes appear annually in the December issue. JALA manuscript abstracts are indexed by Analytical Abstracts, Chemical Abstracts (CAS+), CINAHL, Compendex, EMBASE/Excerpta Medica, Google Scholar, Inspec, ProQuest, SciFinder, Scirus, and Scopus. JALA Online and Elsevier ScienceDirect publish abstracts and full text articles.

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The Association for Laboratory Automation is a worldwide organization representing leaders in all aspects of laboratory automation. ALA seeks to provide a greater understanding of the importance and value of automation technologies in laboratory settings, to advance science and promote education related to laboratory automation by encouraging the study, advancing the science and improving the practice of laboratory automation.

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