

**ICA Bremen Cotton Round Test Program
Participation Form**

Carried out by Faserinstitut Bremen e.V. (Fibre Institute Bremen) – FIBRE
in Cooperation with Bremer Baumwollbörse (Bremen Cotton Exchange).

If you want to participate in the ICA Bremen Round Trial Program, which is free of
charge, please fill in the empty lines with capital letters and mail to:

Faserinstitut Bremen e.V.
Ms Esther Dederer
E-Mail: bcrt@faserinstitut.de

Company/Laboratory: _____

Contact person: _____

Full address: _____

Telephone: _____

e-mail: _____

Alternative e-mail: _____

Kinds of instruments: _____

We agree that our lab name is listed on the ICA Bremen website as a participant
(results will stay fully confidential) (yes/no): _____

Please include our laboratory in the Bremen Round Tests

(Date, Signature)

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Description

The Bremen Cotton Round Tests offer the opportunity for every laboratory to compare its test results for cotton with about 160 other laboratories all over the world. The Round Tests are conducted 3 times per year. Participation is free of charge, as it is sponsored by the Bremen Cotton Exchange.

Round Trials are in each year usually conducted:

- RT 1: January to April
- RT 2: May to August
- RT 3: September to December

Participants will get a certificate about the annual participation in the beginning of each new year.

The Round Test Program is anonymous. For this, each lab is getting a code number, and only this will be mentioned in any reports, not the laboratory name. Please use your code number in every contact to us, the organizers, but else keep your code number confidential to others. If you wish to get a new code number, please inform us.

Each participant will for each Round Trial get a starting e-mail with a result form, and one cotton sample by postage (not courier). The results will then have to be sent by e-mail with the filled result form to the Fibre Institute Bremen, where they are evaluated. At the end of a Round Trial, we will send the Round Trial report including your data.

The Bremen Round Test Program is including different kinds of cotton testing methods/instruments/parameters (except for stickiness). Currently it is:

- Micronaire (Stand Alone)
- Pressley Tester
- Stelometer
- Fibrograph (Stand Alone)
- Comb Sorter
- Almeter
- Maturity: Fibrograph / Microscopic Methods / Causticaire
- Fineness (gravimetric method)
- FMT Fineness & Maturity Tester
- HVI
- AFIS
- aQura
- Gravimetric trash test methods

Any further test instrument or result parameter will be added as soon as a sufficient number of participants is given.

Your participation will be continued automatically unless you let us know that you cancel your participation. But we will exclude laboratories that did not send results for 3 consecutive Round Trials.

For any questions, please contact:

- For the RT execution: Ms Esther Dederer, brct@faserinstitut.de
- For the RT program and cotton testing: Mr Axel Drieling, drieling@faserinstitut.de

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