

# AU Troubleshooting Tips





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References:

- AU480 Chemistry Analyzer User's Guide PN B28624AA (December 2013)
- AU680 Chemistry Analyzer User's Guide PN B04779AA (March 2011)
- AU5800 Chemistry Analyzer User's Guide PN A988352AB (October 2012

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# WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

Read all product manuals and consult with Beckman Coulter-trained personnel before attempting to operate the instrument.

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# INTENTION FOR USE

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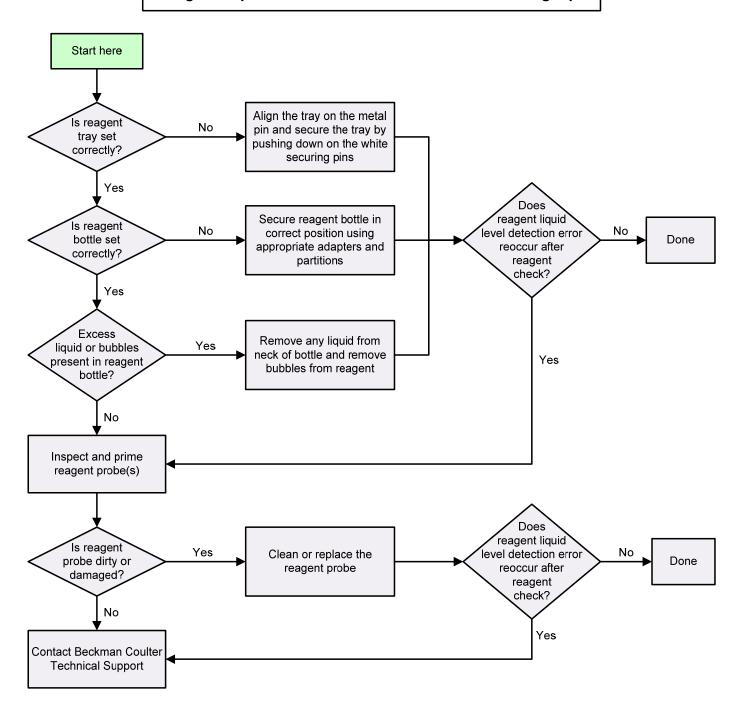
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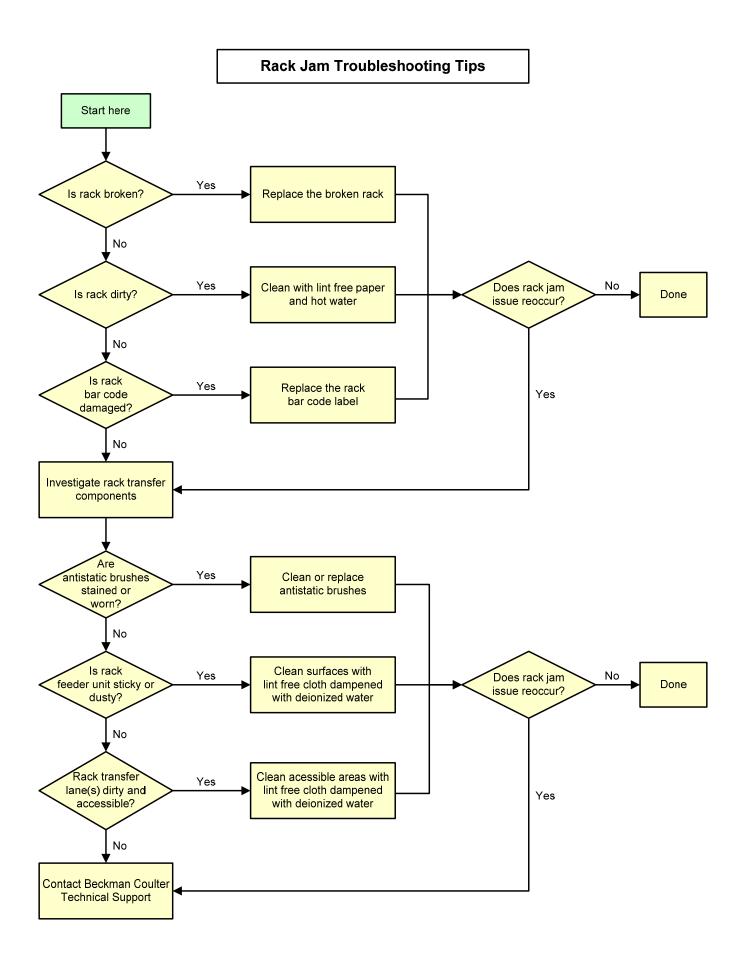
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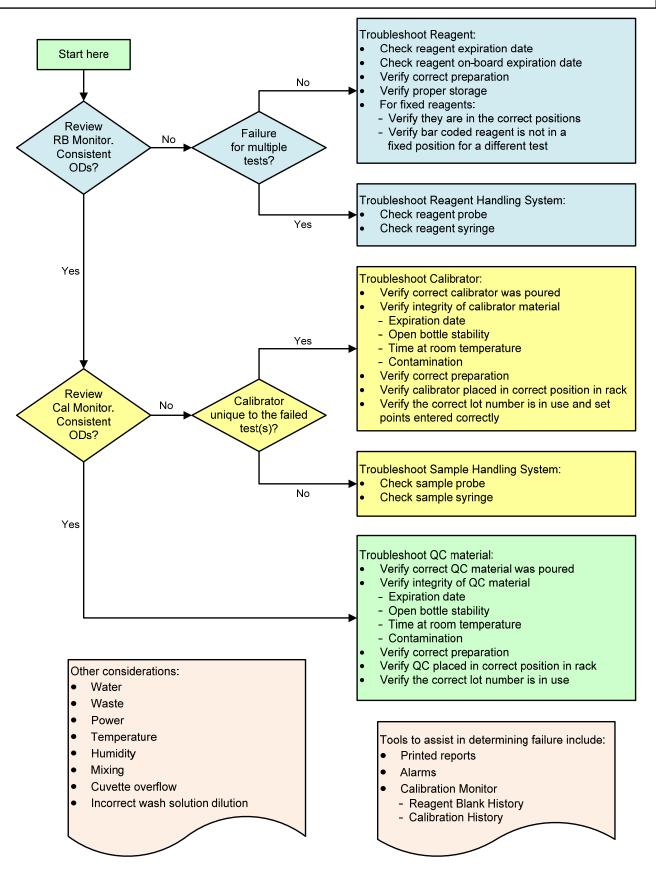
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Reagent Liquid Level Detection Error Troubleshooting Tips





#### Failed Reagent Blank (RB), Calibration (CAL), or Quality Control (QC) Troubleshooting Tips



#### **ISE Calibration Failure Troubleshooting Tips**

#### Check ISE Reagents

- Sufficient volume of reagents (Buffer, MID Standard, Reference)
- Verify MID Standard and Buffer are in the correct positions
- Expiration date
- Open bottle stability (90 days)
- Contamination (Never combine old and new reagents)

#### **Check ISE Standards**

- Verify sufficient volume of standard solutions in cups
- Verify ISE standards poured and placed in correct position
- Verify integrity of ISE standards
  - Expiration date
  - Open bottle stability (90 days)
  - Contamination

#### Prime Reagents (Buffer, MID/REF)

- Verify dispense of Buffer and MID Standard in sample pot
- Verify there are no bubbles in the tubing at the bottom of the flowcell during MID/REF Prime

#### Perform Scheduled and As-needed Maintenance

- Critical procedures:
  - ISE daily clean
  - Manually clean mix bar, liquid level sensor, sample pot, and sample pot tubing
  - Enhanced ISE cleaning (Manual)

#### Check ISE Components (replace if required)

- Roller pump tubing
- Pinch valve tubing
- Sample pot seated correctly and tubing not kinked
- Sample pot mix bar installed and operating properly
- Electrodes installed correctly:
- Electrode stack aligned
  - Wires connected to correct electrode
- O-rings present on each electrode and top of flowcell
- ISE Buffer syringe installed correctly without leaks and condensation
- REF electrode seated correctly and internal reference solution at correct level

NOTE: The REF electrode should only be replaced after performing all other troubleshooting options.