batch operation

in analysis

The operation of an analytical instrument in such a way that one or more analytical procedures must be completed for a sequence of samples before the next sequence can be started. This term batch usually implies a sequence of a variably sized group of samples, the size of which is not related to a particular type of instrument.

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PAC, 1989, 61, 1657 (Nomenclature for automated and mechanised analysis (Recommendations 1989)) on page 1661