



# Common Knowledge session: Aleph collaborative testing

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## Aims

- Assess the quality of the release
- Assess the quality of Ex Libris testing
- Assess the utility of the collaborative testing process
- Provide suggestions for Ex Libris on how future testing can be improved
- Provide suggestions to all on making collaborative testing more effective

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## Outcomes

- Version very stable; course reserves met Focus Group requirements in the main; Staff permissions needs improvement
- Ex Libris testing: unable to assess this.
- Collaborative testing process very useful: repeat it!
- Suggestions for Ex Libris on improving collab testing:
  - Much better information in advance
  - Sight of Ex Libris scripts
  - Include major Sis and other issues raised by customers
  - Provide off-site access to testers, after on-site testing
  - The latter to allow upgrade process testing, data conversion, record loading, EDI
- Suggestions to all:
  - Preparation, preparation, preparation: what is to be tested and by whom; prioritization of tests
  - Better timing of testing: not so close to release