



## ALERE KEY POINTS

ALERE is an ERP solution which delivers sophisticated features not commonly found in mass market packages. Complex processes provide maximum benefit when they are presented in a manner that simplifies their use. The acquisition and implementation costs of ALERE are usually found to be very affordable. Ongoing costs are low because they are not based on the number of users.

Often sought capabilities that are included with ALERE, such as Document Management, do not require additional investment. Customizations in ALERE are simplified by its advanced architecture. More importantly, the modifications made by a company are easily transitioned to new product versions.

## PLATFORM

- Client/Server and LAN
- One code base throughout ALERE's product offerings
- Multi-tier object orientated architecture - multi-level product customization - data driven definition elements - user hooks/custom code - languages – lingo
- Inheritance modification strategy allows customizations to be ported to new product releases

## DATA ACQUISITION (DAQ)

- Integrates scanners into daily work processes
- Barcode technology improves accuracy, speed and efficiency without significant expense
- Embedded in both financials and manufacturing
- Uses wedge scanners are slaved to computer workstations and do not require extra user seats
- Hand-held scanners run independently under Terminal Services and provide more flexibility but require extra user seats
- Use scanners for:
  - ✓ Entering and shipping items on a sales order
  - ✓ Receiving items on a purchase order
  - ✓ Doing inventory adjustments
  - ✓ Taking physical inventory
  - ✓ Posting transactions to manufacturing work orders
  - ✓ Tracking time & attendance
  - ✓ Recording lot and serial number information
- Input data by selecting the *Scan* button on screens to activate the scanner or by starting the stand-alone program
- Data entry through use of scanners is done in real time
- Scripted processes guide users through data entry and prompt at specific points
- Item locations, lot numbers, serial numbers and traits are all supported
- Condense large numbers of scanned items into single line entries
- DAQ stand-alone program will allow:
  - ✓ Do inquiries on the stocking levels of items
  - ✓ Move inventory
  - ✓ Increase or decrease inventory
  - ✓ Print item labels
  - ✓ Post transactions in manufacturing
- Easily create additional scripts for additional or custom functionality
- Existing scripts may be copied modified to add capability