

ISABEL Platform:

Hardware and Software Requirements

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Hardware requirements: ISABEL Workstation

- ISABEL end station:
 - The following list of hardware is the minimum system requirements needed to run an ISABEL end station
 - Pentium III 600 MHz (dual is preferable)
 - 256 Mb RAM
 - Audio card (SB preferable)
 - Video Display Card
 - Video Capture Card (BT848 chipset)
 - 10/100 Mb Network Interface Card (NIC)
 - CD-ROM

- 1.44 Fdrive
 - Monitor
 - Keyboard and mouse
- The fastest possible machine is recommend. Think of long term solution to avoid constant upgrades.
- To avoid any hardware incompatibility, check the Redhat compatibility list at <http://hardware.redhat.com/redhatready/cgi-bin/us/db-hcl.cgi> and make sure that all hardware used is Redhat 6.1 or 6.2 compatible.

- ISABEL Flowserver
 - The following list of hardware is the minimum system requirement for an ISABEL Flowserver.
 - Pentium III 400 MHz
 - 128 Mb RAM
 - 10/100 NIC
 - Video Display card
 - CD-ROM
 - 1.44 Fdrive
 - Monitor
 - Keyboard and mouse

- The ISABEL Flowserver can also be used in combination with the ISABEL Remote Display unit if a faster system is used.

- ISABEL Remote Display
 - If the ISABEL Remote Display is separate from the ISABEL Flowserver, then the following list of hardware is the minimum requirement.
 - Pentium II 400 MHz
 - 128 Mb RAM
 - 10/100 NIC
 - Video Display card
 - Monitor,
 - Keyboard and mouse

- The Remote Display is for exporting the control menus. It is not recommended to export the video to the Remote Display.
- Doing this will result in exporting an uncompressed video source being sent to the Remote Display.

Hardware Requirements: Audio and Video

- Audio Requirements:
 - Uni-directional microphone
 - Audio mixer
 - Amplifier
 - Speakers
 - Avoid plugging a mic and speaker directly to the line in, line out, mic in, or speaker out if possible.

- Video Requirements:
 - Video camera which has composite or s-video outputs.
 - ISABEL also supports remote control via a RS232 to serial. For the use of this function, the Sony EVI-D30 is needed.
 - Video Mixer for multiple cameras.

Software Requirements

- Operating system:
 - Redhat 6.1 or 6.2 on CD
- Applications and Drivers:
 - ISABEL (current version is 3R5, newest beta version is 4R0 beta01 build 0)
 - Advanced Linux Sound Architecture (ALSA) drivers.
 - Available on the BADLAB FTP server as anonymous at <ftp://gamma.badlab.crc.ca>