



American Society of Crime Lab Directors

"THE CRIME LAB MINUTE" NEWSLETTER

President's Message

LinkedIn

ASCLD has joined the social media world and is now on LinkedIn. Using LinkedIn will allow us to better interface with stakeholders, media, legislative offices, and our members. Please connect with us. Our second post highlights that early registration for our symposium is coming up fast!

Subject: 2015 ASCLD Symposium Agenda Posted

ASCLD received a record number of quality abstract submissions this year and will be offering concurrent sessions on Wednesday morning which will provide more opportunities for you to receive the information you need to excel at your job. Register before March 26th to receive the early rates. Click here to see the agenda and to register: <http://www.ascldsymposium.com/>

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[Minor setback for new Nassau County crime lab](#)

Newsday

... assessment visit to the new Nassau County crime lab that officials there failed to check the accuracy of equipment they bought to test DNA evidence.

[Employment Opportunities](#)

[Latent Print Examiner II](#), Oakland Police Department, CA, Oakland, California, Expires: April 10, 2015

<p>Bill Aims to Create Eastern Montana Crime Lab KULR-TV The state crime lab processed nearly 2,000 drug cases and more than 6,000 toxicology cases in 2014. According to the Attorney General's office half ...</p> <p>Crime Lab Lag Affects Detective Work ABC FOX Montana News Montana's one and only crime lab can't keep up with the demand, and it's keeping deputies from doing their jobs. Evidence from all across the state ...</p> <p>Former Atlanta Crime Lab Head Sues DA, Police Chief Patch.com The former head of the Atlanta Police Department Crime Lab has filed a federal lawsuit against the Fulton County District Attorney and the chief of the ...</p> <p>New KBI lab on schedule to finish construction this fall Ottawaherald.com New KBI lab on schedule to finish construction this fall ... sits in the last of three bays inside of the new KBI crime lab while waiting to be installed.</p> <p>New DNA technology is helping authorities in several cases KBOI-TV The Idaho State Police Crime Lab said 10 years ago you needed a sizable blood or body fluid sample to get an identifiable DNA sample from it</p> <p>Behind the Scenes at BCI in BG: How scientists test evidence for DNA WNWO NBC 24 I made a decision to keep it in Bowling Green and to really integrate this crime lab with Bowling Green State University. It's going to be great for ...</p> <p>Arkansas State Crime Lab explains process of identifying remains THV 11</p>	<p>Forensic Scientist – Forensic Biology, Virginia Dept. of Forensic Science, Richmond, VA, Expires: April 2, 2015</p> <p>Forensic Scientist 4 Latent Fingerprint, Idaho State Police, Meridian Idaho, Expires: March 23, 2015</p> <p>Sheriff's Supervising Forensic Scientist – Fingerprint Comparison, Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Ventura, Expires: April 10, 2015</p> <p>Deputy Sheriff-Forensic Manager, Contra Costa County Sheriff's Department, Martinez, CA, Expires: March 27, 2015</p> <p>Forensic Manager, Contra Costa County Sheriff's Department, Martinez, CA, Expires: March 27, 2015</p> <p>Forensic Scientist II – DNA, Tri County Regional Forensic Laboratory, Andover, MN, Expires: March 31, 2015</p> <p>Deputy Forensic Toxicologist (DOH/SLD position #55101), NM Department of Health – Scientific Laboratory Division, Albuquerque, New Mexico, Expires: April 2, 2015</p> <p>Latent Print Supervisor/Discipline Leader, Idaho State Police Forensic Services, Meridian/Boise, Idaho, Expires: March 23, 2015</p> <p>Forensic Technologists, Physical Sciences – Talent Pool, Ontario Public Service, Toronto, Ontario, Expires: March 27, 2015</p> <p>Section Head (Chemistry), Ontario Public Service, Toronto, Ontario, Expires: March 27, 2015</p> <p>Forensic Scientist – Firearm and Toolmark Examiner, Kansas Bureau of Investigation Forensic Science Laboratory, Topeka, Kansas, Expires: March 26, 2015</p> <p>Forensic Scientist – Firearm and Toolmark Examiner, Kansas Bureau of Investigation Forensic Science Laboratory, Kansas City, Kansas, Expires: March 26, 2015</p>
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<p>The family of John Glasgow supplied the state crime lab with DNA and ... state crime lab was missing its lower jaw, but enough intact where forensic ...</p> <p>DNA evidence used to prevent costly, traumatic medical errors Indianapolis Star The same DNA tests used to catch criminals are now being used to prevent ... "We realized what we do on a forensic basis every day could be easily ...</p> <p>Should your DNA be collected, entered into state database when arrested, but not convicted ... OCRegister DNA from those taken to local lockup once again is being run through a statewide database, as the California Supreme Court prepares to decide ...</p> <p>Newly developed system that can identify fingerprints noninvasively and without physical contact Phys.Org (a) a palm print latent on a wall and (b) a fingerprint latent on the magnetic side of a railway ticket, both of which are invisible to the naked eye. Credit: ...</p> <p>Head of DC crime lab defends analysis of DNA data Washington Post In the wake of criticism from federal prosecutors, the head of the District's new crime lab stood behind his lab's analysis of DNA data Thursday but told ...</p> <p>'Significant errors' have been made at DC's DNA lab - MyFox Washington DC</p> <p>Legislators want DNA from felon arrestees Minnesota Public Radio News (blog) A bipartisan group of legislators wants police departments to collect and store DNA samples from anyone arrested for felonies, including rape and ...</p>	<p>Forensic Specialist I, Montgomery County Department of Police – Personnel Division, 100 Edison Park Drive, Gaithersburg, MD 20878, Expires: March 30, 2015</p> <p>Forensic Analyst – Trace, Houston Forensic Science Center, Houston, TX, Expires: April 10, 2015</p> <p>Criminalist II-DNA, County of San Diego, San Diego, CA, Expires: March 18, 2015</p> <p>Firearms and Toolmarks Lab Supervisor, Cuyahoga County Medical Examiners Office, Cleveland, OH, Expires: May 23, 2015</p> <p>Forensic Scientist, Oregon State Police, Pendleton, Or, Expires: March 31, 2015</p> <p>Crime Scene Investigator, Flagler County Sheriff's Office, Bunnell, Florida, Expires: May 22, 2015</p> <p>Forensic Analyst- Digital Evidence, Houston Forensic Science Center, Houston, TX, Expires: April 15, 2015</p> <p>Experienced Forensic Controlled Substances Analyst, Houston Forensic Science Center, Houston, TX, Expires: March 31, 2015</p> <p>Asst/Assoc/Full Professor, Forensic Science, UIC, Chicago, IL, Expires: March 16, 2015</p> <p>Quality Specialist, Houston Forensic Science Center, Houston, TX, Expires: April 22, 2015</p> <p>Firearms Examiner, Houston Forensic Science Center, Houston, TX, Expires: April 22, 2015</p> <p>DNA Analyst/Crime Scene Examiner, Lake County Crime Laboratory, Painesville, OH, Expires: March 20, 2015</p> <p>Forensic Unit Supervisor, Washington County, Washington County, Oregon, Expires: March 15, 2015</p>
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[Forensic investigation cuts harm crimefighting: experts](#)

NL Times

Experts are worried that cutbacks in forensic investigations will have a negative effect on crime solving, NOS reports. Employees of the NFI gave the ...

[Legislation calls for audit of Alaska crime lab's untested rape kits](#)

Alaska Dispatch News

Berta Gardner, D-Anchorage, has introduced legislation that would require an audit to determine if the state's Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory ...

[Maharashtra gets two weeks to comply with HC order on forensic labs](#)

Hindustan Times

The court gave Maharashtra government two weeks' time to comply with its earlier order to set up mini-forensic labs in every district and tehsil to ...

[Staff crunch delaying evidence analysis at forensic science lab](#)

Deccan Herald

Staff crunch at the Forensic Science Laboratory (FSL) Madiwala has been causing delay in analysing various types of evidences, especially DNA ...

[Handwriting features of Omanis being studied for forensic use](#)

Muscat Daily

The forensic laboratory under the Directorate General of Criminal Inquiries and Investigations is conducting a study to understand the different ...

[Expansion for world-leading university forensic art courses](#)

Herald Scotland

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[ISO/IEC 17025 and Audit Preparation Workshop for Forensic Test Agencies](#)

[Analyzing the Time It Takes To Process Crimes In Idaho](#)

KMVT

Forensics Lab Manager at the Meridian crime lab Rylene Nowlin noted, "I think they would be surprised to know that DNA analysis in the most state of ...

[New forensic lab will offer organ recovery, embalming services](#)

WDBJ7

Virginia currently has four forensic laboratories. The central facility is located in Richmond. Once construction is complete, the Roanoke location will no ...

[New crime lab sign reflects financial partners](#)

Valdosta Daily Times

The Valdosta-Lowndes Regional Crime Lab updated its signage last week to reflect its ... The crime lab is financed by several regional agencies.

[Sherburne County Sheriff cites decreased crime in Zimmerman](#)

Star News

The sheriff highlighted the tri-county crime analysis laboratory shared among Sherburne, Anoka and Wright counties. He said the lab is unique to the ...

[Grant money buys new forensics system](#)

Tampa Bay Newspapers

This technology gives us another method, or chance, to locate the latent fingerprint and possibly identify the perpetrator while being non-intrusive to ...

[Be familiar with forensic science, expert tells legal professionals](#)

The Hindu

In a country where the average number of crimes committed, all sorts of them, is about 3 million per year, the conviction rate is as low as 10 per cent.

Attendees of this three-day workshop will obtain a general overview of ISO/IEC 17025 as it relates to forensic test agencies. All of the elements will be reviewed. The standard's applicability, origin, purpose and marketplace will be discussed. Some of the more important concepts will be reviewed such as document control, internal auditing, proficiency testing, traceability and measurement and method witnessing.

[March 23-25, 2015](#), Tampa FL

[September 7-9, 2015](#), Alexandria, VA

ISO/IEC 17020 and Audit Preparation Workshop for Forensic Police Agencies

Attendees of this two-day workshop will obtain a general overview of ISO/IEC 17020 for forensic police agencies. Individual elements of the standard will be reviewed; the standard's applicability to forensic police agencies, origin, purpose and marketplace will also be discussed. Some of the more important concepts, such as document control, internal auditing, proficiency testing, traceability and measurement, and method witnessing will be reviewed.

[March 26-27, 2015](#), Tampa FL

[June 22-23, 2015](#), Durham, NC

[September 10-11, 2015](#), Alexandria, VA

For more information about these workshops, contact FQS at 703-836-0025, ext 208. To register, please click on any of the dates above.

[ASCLD-LAB Training](#)

Training classes to help forensic laboratory personnel understand the requirements of *ISO/IEC 17025 General Requirements for the Competency of Testing and Calibration Laboratories*.

[ASCLD/LAB-International Assessor Training Course for Testing Laboratories](#)

[ASCLD/LAB-International Assessor Training Course for Breath Alcohol Calibration](#)

[ASCLD/LAB-International Internal Auditor Training Course](#)

<p>Ohio AG: More Than 9200 Rape Kits Tested for DNA ABC6OnYourSide.com COLUMBUS (AP) -- Ohio's attorney general says the state's crime lab has tested more than 6,500 rape kits as it seeks DNA matches that could help ...</p> <p>We need a local, modern crime lab Cincinnati.com Remember last election when Attorney General Mike DeWine bragged about cleaning up the backlog of rape kits at the state crime lab? Fortunately ...</p>	<p><u>ASCLD/LAB-International Preparation Course for Testing Laboratories</u></p> <p><u>ASCLD/LAB-International Preparation Course for Calibration Laboratories</u></p> <p><u>American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA)</u> A2LA's Training Program provides a variety of courses designed to help organizations achieve and maintain accreditation to international standards.</p> <p>Title: <u>Fundamentals of Force Calibration and Measurement Uncertainty Boot Camp</u> March 23 - 24, 2015 - York, PA (\$500 one-day, \$750 two-days) <i>(This course is held at in partnership with Morehouse Instrument Company, Inc.)</i></p>
<p><u>Forensic Training</u></p> <p>Palm Beach County Sheriff personnel will be presenting the below webinars.</p> <p>April 16: Synthetic Drug Investigation April 29: Property Crime and DNA testing</p> <p>Register at : http://www.justiceclearinghouse.com/</p> <hr/> <p>The Baltimore Forensic Institute of Technology and Innovation</p> <p>Course Title: Shooting Incident Reconstruction Instructor: Cory Latham & Troy Wilson Location: Baltimore Police Department Laboratory Section 601 E. Fayette St, Baltimore, MD 21202</p>	<p><u>Forensic Conferences</u></p> <p>March 30 - April 2, 2015: 12th Annual Bode Technical Workshop in Coronado, CA</p> <p>April 19-24, 2015: International Association for Chemical Testing (IACT) in Newport, Rhode Island</p> <p>May 18-22, 2015: Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Scientist in Chesapeake Bay Cambridge, MD</p> <p>May 24-29, 2015: The Association of Firearm and Tool Mark Examiners (AFTE) in Dallas, TX.</p> <p>May 26-29, 2015: 14th Annual DNA Technical Workshop - Bode East in Orlando, FL</p>

<p>Dates: March 16-20, 2015</p> <p>Times: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm EST (lunch breaks given)</p> <p>Registration: \$650</p> <p>Contact Info: Steven O'Dell dell@baltimorepolice.org Richard Remy Richard.remy@baltimorepolice.org</p> <p>Webpage: http://goo.gl/3hM2K2</p>	<p>July 20-24, 2015: NIST to Host International Symposium on Forensic Science Error Management in Gaithersburg, MD.</p> <p>August 2-8, 2015: 100th International Association for Identification (IAI) in Sacramento, CA.</p> <p>August 8-13, 2015: The 2015 Annual General Meeting of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners (ASQDE) will be held in Toronto, Canada.</p> <p>August 31- September 5, 2015: The 26th Congress of the International Society for Forensic Genetics (ISFG) will be held in Krakow, Poland.</p> <p>September 20 - 25th, 2015: Midwestern Association Forensic Scientist fall meeting will be held in Mackinac Island, Michigan.</p> <p>October 6-9, 2015: 14th Annual AFQAM Training Conference will be held in Pensacola Beach, FL</p> <p>October 12-16, 2015: Southern Association Forensic Scientist (SAFS) Annual 2015 Meeting in Atlanta, GA.</p> <p>October 18-25, 2015: Society of Forensic Toxicologists (SOFT) in Atlanta, GA.</p> <p>October 19 - 23, 2015: Southwestern Association of Forensic Science (SWAFS) in Oklahoma City, OK.</p> <p>October 2015: Northwest Association of Forensic Scientists in Spokane, WA</p>
<hr/> <p><u>“Legal” Drug Use through Chemistry: An Overview of the Synthetic Drug Dilemma</u></p> <p>Date: Thursday, April 16 @ 1pm EDT</p> <p>Cost: FREE</p> <p>Registration Link: attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6725142344836578305</p> <p>This webinar provides an overview of the most common synthetic drugs including their origin, marketing strategies, pharmacology, and current legal status in an effort to provide a better understanding of the danger these drugs pose to our communities and the difficulties they pose to the law enforcement agencies, hospitals, and judicial system tasked with protecting the public's safety. Case studies will be presented demonstrating the typical signs of impairment presented by individuals under the influence of these drugs.</p> <p><u>Outsourcing Property Crime for DNA Analysis: An Eleven Year Perspective</u></p>	

Date: Wednesday, April 29 @ 1pm EDT

Cost: FREE

Registration Link:

attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/923382323833360129

The presenters will give a brief background on the reasons the analysis of evidence from property crimes is important, a historical perspective of the FBU's experiences with outsourcing and the current state of the outsourcing program, including the importance of the DNA database (CODIS). Lastly, the presenters will share the results of a recent study that examined data trends that supported a revision to the FBU's policy on the types of evidentiary samples that may be submitted from property crimes for DNA analysis.

The American Society of Crime Lab Directors, along with RTI, have made the below webinars available.

[ASCLD Rapid DNA Webinar 1 – Archival Version](#)

[ASCLD Rapid DNA Webinar 2 – Archival Version](#)

[ASCLD Rapid DNA Webinar 3 – Archival Version](#)

[ASCLD Webinar Series: Case Acceptance Policies and Guidelines – Archival Version](#)

[ASCLD Webinar Series: Developing a Statewide Approach to Backlog Management – Archival Version](#)

April 3-8, 2016: [International Association for Chemical Testing \(IACT\)](#) in Orlando, FL.

September 18-23, 2016: [23rd International Symposium on the Forensic Sciences \(ANZFSS\)](#) in Auckland, New Zealand.

[ASCLD Webinar Series: Efficiency Improvements – Archival Version](#)

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[ASCLD Webinar Series: The Paradox of Backlog Reduction – How Doing Less Can Be Doing More – Archival Version](#)