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“Excellence through leadership in forensic science management”

## President's Message

July 31<sup>st</sup> I participated with Gerry LaPorte from NIJ and Past-President Laura Sudkamp on a National Governor's Association briefing regarding sexual assault kit inventories, tracking, and lab processing. As announced in a previous CLM, Director Sudkamp will be leading the initiative for ASCLD this year to address sexual assault kit tracking. It was a pleasure to present information from Idaho as Director Sudkamp shared information from Kentucky. We welcome any states struggling with sexual assault kit inventory or tracking to reach out to us for resources and help. We are eager to kick off this initiative. We hope to partner even more with the NGA on this and other initiatives.



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**President's Corner**

THE UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT of JUSTICE

<https://www.justice.gov/olp/forensic-science>



#### UNIFORM LANGUAGE FOR TESTIMONY AND REPORTS

The Department is in the process of developing guidance documents and reports of its forensic experts. These documents, known as "Testimony and Reports," or ULTR documents, are designed to improve the submission of scientific statements by the Department's forensic reports or testifying.

<http://www.naag.org/assets/redesign/files/meetings/Future%20Meetings%20Updated%20Oct%202017.pdf>

<https://www.justice.gov/olp/uniform-language-testimony-and-reports>

Stephanie Madon

#### Invitation to Participate in a Forensic Science Study

I am a professor of psychology at Iowa State University, and the Principal Investigator of a federally-funded research study that aims to quantify the validity of cartridge case ... Study

August 1<sup>st</sup> I met with the International Association for Identification (IAI) at their annual meeting in San Antonio. It was a great pleasure to represent ASCLD to their Board and share ideas about how our organizations can work together even more effectively. We discussed participation in the US ISO TAG 272, the ASCLD stress and trauma working group, the ASCLD accreditation initiative, and our mutual interests in national advocacy efforts. [www.theiai.org](http://www.theiai.org)

# Synthetic Cannabinoid (5F-ADB)

## Synthetic Cannabinoid (5F-ADB) contamination in Heroin/Fentanyl in Philadelphia

The Center for Forensic Science Research and Education at the Fredric Rieders [Foundation](#) is actively monitoring activity

in NPS supply in the United States and Internationally. You have been identified as a stakeholder in the process of [notifying](#) US public health and public safety agencies, and other international entities of the appearance of these novel ...[message full report here](#)

Date of Release: July 25, 2018



Information Regarding "Santa Muerte" Stamped Drug Seizures Causing Hospitalizations in the Greater Philadelphia Area



*Images depict a "bundle" of fourteen small blue wax-bags containing a light tan powder. These drug exhibits were seized following response to a residence for suspected drug overdose.*

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### Consortium of Forensic Science Organizations

- American Academy of Forensic Sciences
- American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law
- American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors
- International Association for Identification
- National Association of Medical Examiners
- Society of Forensic Toxicologists and American Board of Forensic Toxicology

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[Special Edition - Opioid Bills](#)

Please find pending legislation regarding the opioid crisis. This is NOT an appropriation of [funding](#) and these bills are only the ones that have passed one body of the Congress as of June 22, 2018. The Congress intends to roll many of these bills into a single

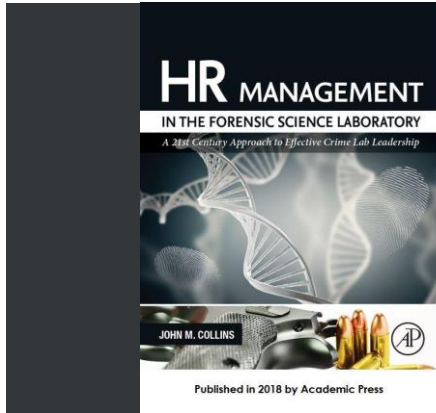
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These research reports have been submitted by the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) especially for their relevance to crime [laboratory](#) activities. ASCLD has not reviewed nor does it necessarily endorse the [findings](#) of this research.

Opioid Bill that will move forward.

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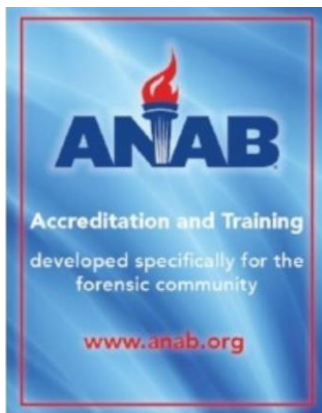


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