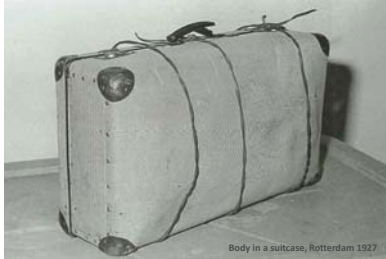


Now You See Me, Now You don't: fDNA and privacy

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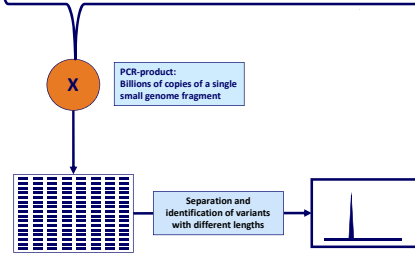
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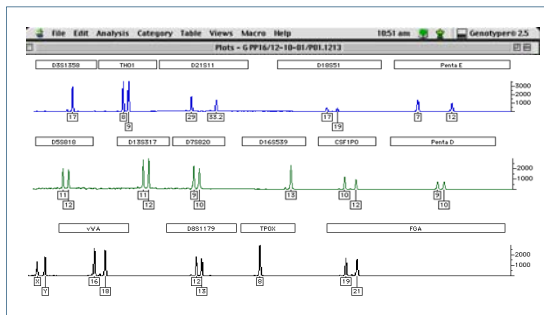
capillary electrophoresis-STR genotyping: the essence at one glance

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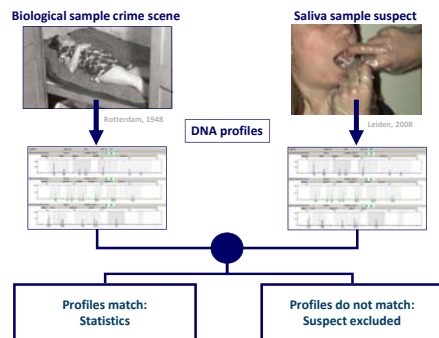
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a multiplex STR profile



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essence of fDNA profiling



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activity level

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FGCN: towards fDNA 2.0

Forensic Genomics
Consistent Methodology

Research activities

The Forensic Genomics Consortium Netherlands (FGCN) represents the strategic alliance of three genomic research laboratories: the Netherlands Forensic Institute (NFI), the Forensic Laboratory for DNA Research of Radboud University Medical Center (Radboud UMC) and the Department for Forensic Molecular Biology of the Erasmus Medical Center (Erasmus MC). By means of the NFI report, FGCN will substantially improve forensic genetic research in the coming period.

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- Improving mixed-stain DNA analyses
- The cellular origin of the biological sample
- The externally visible characteristics of the cell donor
- Improving age-estimates of the biological sample
- The geographical origin of the cell donor
- Constructing detailed DNA reference databases

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FGCN: towards fDNA 2.0

Research by Manfred Kayser (EMC) and Titia Sijen (NFI)

Who ←

→ What

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there is some progress

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Improving human forensics through advances in genetics, genomics and molecular biology

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Abstract | Forensic DNA profiling currently allows the identification of persons already known to the police or the courts. However, the identification of unknown individuals is an important limitation of current methods. New types of DNA markers are enabling completely new types of DNA profiling, which are not based on biological samples. This review discusses the latest developments in forensic DNA profiling, including the use of mitochondrial DNA, Y-chromosome DNA, and autosomal DNA. It also discusses the use of microRNA, DNA methylation, and microbial markers for forensic cell type identification.

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many tests, no DNA

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some restrictions

- Contra-expertise requires retaining 50% of the trace / extract
- Some tests require RNA, not DNA
- Classical DNA profiling should always remain possible
- Legal restrictions

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towards a one-for-all solution?

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Shotgun metagenomics of biological stains using ultra-deep DNA sequencing
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	% of all sequenced nucleotides
RepeatMasker database	
Repetitive elements (all mammals)	30.3
Primate repetitive elements	19.0 ^a
Human repetitive elements	5.8 ^a
BLAST database	
Bacterial genomes	4.2
Viral genomes	0.3
Fungal genomes	2.7
Primate genomes	6.0
Human genome	0.13
Sequences of unidentified origin	81.5

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towards single cell forensics

human enrichment

DNA (meta) genome identification

RNAseq eQTL profiling

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Wet van 8 mei 2003 tot wijziging van de regeling van het DNA-onderzoek in strafzaken in verband met het vaststellen van uiterlijk waarneembare persoonskenmerken uit celmateriaal

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introducing NGS/MPS into forensics: MPS-STR genotyping

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PCR-product: Billions of copies of a single small genome fragment

Separation and identification of variants with different lengths

Identification of variants with different sequences

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the first MPS-STR papers

High-throughput sequencing of core STR loci for forensic genetic investigations using the Roche Genome Sequencer FLX platform

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BMC Genomics 13:127–132 (August 2012) doi:10.1186/1471-2164-13-127

Second generation sequencing allows for mtDNA mixture deconvolution and high resolution detection of heteroplasmy

Forensic STR analysis using massive parallel sequencing
Christophe Van Nester¹, Filip Van Nieuwenburgh¹, David Van Hoofstael, Dieter Deforce²

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MPS-STR resulting data

Illustrumina Miseq (300bp array): up to 15,000,000 sequences for ~ € 1100

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MPS-STR: repeat variation and SNPs

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extra SNP variation: D7S820 as an example

Allele	Frequency	SNPs
7	0.025	0.005
8	0.127	0.136
9	0.005	0.002
10	0.044	0.066
11	0.005	0.002
12	0.174	0.088
13	0.005	0.002
14	0.005	0.002
15	0.015	0.006
16	0.042	0.222
17	0.049	0.015
18	0.005	0.002
19	0.010	0.003
20	0.005	0.002
21	0.015	0.007
22	0.015	0.001
23	0.021	0.029
24	0.005	0.002
25	0.010	0.001
26	0.008	0.006
27	0.004	0.001
28	0.040	0.013
29	0.010	0.002
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49	0.010	0.001
50	0.010	0.001

(-9 C/T) - (+22 T/A) - (+65 T/G)

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option for MPS-STR: show repeat variation and mask SNPs

At present no concrete solutions, no International legal fine-tuning

We start offering MPS-STR genotyping per 01-01-2016, fully accredited
We will initiate a "possibilities" debate with relevant partners

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no genetic privacy with publically available genome data

Identifying Personal Genomes by Surname Inference
www.nature.com/science VOL 339 18 JANUARY 2012
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Here, we report that surnames can be recovered from personal genomes by profiling short tandem repeats on the Y chromosome (Y-STRs) and querying recreational genetic genealogy databases. We show that a combination of a surname with other types of metadata, such as age and state, can be used to triangulate the identity of the target. A key feature of this technique is that it entirely relies on free, publicly accessible Internet resources. We quantitatively analyze the probability of

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Bayesian method to predict individual SNP genotypes from gene expression data
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in large populations. When inferring genotypes from an expression data set using eQTLs of the same tissue type (but from an independent cohort), we were able to resolve 99% of the identities of individuals in the cohort at $P_{\text{adjusted}} \leq 1 \times 10^{-5}$. When eQTLs derived from one tissue were used to predict genotypes using expression data from a different tissue, the identities of 90% of the study subjects could be resolved at $P_{\text{adjusted}} \leq 1 \times 10^{-5}$. We discuss the implications of deriving genotypic information from RNA data deposited in the public domain.

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