



**ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board**

**SCOPE OF ACCREDITATION TO:  
ISO/IEC 17025:2005**

**ANAB 17025:2005 Forensic Science Testing Laboratories Accreditation Requirements:2017  
FBI Quality Assurance Standards for Forensic Testing Laboratories:2011**

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**FORENSIC TESTING**

Valid to: September 30, 2022

Certificate Number: FT-0053

<b>Discipline: Biology</b>			
<b>Component/Parameter or Characteristic Tested</b>	<b>Test Method</b>	<b>Items Tested</b>	<b>Key Equipment or Technology</b>
Collection	Forensic Biology Screening and Collection Manual	Physical Evidence	Refer to Method
Body Fluid Identification	Forensic Biology Screening and Collection Manual	Blood, Semen, Urine	Refer to Method
DNA-STR	Flexible Scope <sup>1</sup>	Blood, Semen, Saliva, Epithelial Cells, Teeth, Bone, Hair, Tissue	Robotic System, Organic Extraction, Data Interpretation System
DNA-YSTR	Flexible Scope <sup>1</sup>	Blood, Semen, Saliva, Epithelial Cells, Teeth, Bone, Hair, Tissue	Robotic System, Organic Extraction, Data Interpretation System

<b>Discipline: Firearms and Toolmarks</b>			
<b>Component/Parameter or Characteristic Tested</b>	<b>Test Method</b>	<b>Items Tested</b>	<b>Key Equipment or Technology</b>
Collection	Firearm/Toolmark Procedures Manual (FX-TM) Sections 1-4	Physical Evidence	Refer to Method
Physical Comparison	FX-TM Section 8	Firearms, Firearm Components, Toolmark, Toolmark Components	Comparison Microscope, Stereo Microscope



Product (Make/Model) Determination	FX-TM Section 5	Firearms, Firearm Components	General Rifling Characteristics (GRC) Database
Serial Number Restoration	FX-TM Section 9	Physical Evidence	Refer to Method
Distance Determination	FX-TM Section 7	Firearm, Firearm Components	Refer to Method
Length Measurement	FX-TM Section 1	Firearm	Refer to Method
Individual Characteristic Database	FX-TM Section 6	Firearm, Firearm Components	National Integrated Ballistic Information Network (NIBIN)

<b>Discipline: Friction Ridge</b>			
<b>Component/Parameter or Characteristic Tested</b>	<b>Test Method</b>	<b>Items Tested</b>	<b>Key Equipment or Technology</b>
Collection	Latent Print Procedures Manual Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10	Physical Evidence	Photography, Adhesive Lift
Enhancement	Latent Print Procedures Manual Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9	Patent, Latent, Plastic	Visual (e.g. Mideo Systems Inc. and Adobe Photoshop) Photography, Physical, Chemical
Physical Comparison	Latent Print Procedures Manual Sections 11, 15	Patent, Latent, or Plastic to a Known; Known to Known; Unknown to Unknown	Refer to Method
Individual Characteristic Database	Latent Print Procedures Manual Section 12	Patent, Latent, Plastic or a Known	VA Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS), Next Generation Identification (NGI)

<b>Discipline: Seized Drugs</b>			
<b>Component/Parameter or Characteristic Tested</b>	<b>Test Method</b>	<b>Items Tested</b>	<b>Key Equipment or Technology</b>
Qualitative Determination	Flexible Scope <sup>1</sup>	Solid, Liquid, Botanical	Microscopic Exam, Color Spot Test, Thin Layer Chromatography, Infrared Spectroscopy, Gas Chromatography, Mass Spectrometry
Quantitative Determination	Flexible Scope <sup>1</sup>	Solid, Liquid, Botanical	Gas Chromatography
Weight Measurement	Controlled Substances Procedures Manual Section 4	Solid, Botanical	Balance



Discipline: Toxicology			
Component/Parameter or Characteristic Tested	Test Method	Items Tested	Key Equipment or Technology
Qualitative Determination	Flexible Scope <sup>1</sup>	Blood, Serum, Urine, Vitreous, Bile, Gastric Contents, Tissues	Immunoassay, Gas and Liquid Chromatography, Ultraviolet/Visible Spectroscopy, Mass Spectrometry
Quantitative Measurement	Flexible Scope <sup>1</sup>	Blood, Serum, Urine, Vitreous, Bile, Gastric Contents, Tissues	Gas and Liquid Chromatography, Mass Spectrometry

Note 1: A flexible scope has been granted for this component/parameter or characteristic tested. ANAB has assessed the competence required to develop, validate, and perform quality assurance within this provided service. New or modified methods for the item(s) and equipment/technology(ies) listed in this row on the Scope of Accreditation may be introduced. New measurement principles, item(s), and technology(ies) will require evaluation by ANAB prior to granting a scope extension. Contact the forensic service provider for information on the specific test method in use at any point in time and utilized for accredited testing work.



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