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### **EMPLOYMENT**

#### January 2003 - Present

Massachusetts State Police Crime Laboratory, Maynard, Massachusetts

Chemist I, DNA Unit (January, 2003 — January, 2004) Chemist II, DNA Unit (January, 2004 — May, 2007) DNA Unit Supervisor (May 2007 — Present)

- Supervise and train DNA analysts
- Assign casework
- Perform technical and administrative review of DNA reports
- Manage review process for samples processed by external vendors
- Track and handle forensic evidence for DNA analysis
- Extract, quantitate, and amplify forensic evidence for DNA analysis
- Perform STR and Y-STR analysis and interpretation using ABI3130xl, ABI3500, and 3500xl Genetic Analyzers with GeneMapper ID and GeneMapper ID-x software
- Use STRmix Probabilistic Genotyping software to perform data interpretation and statistical calculations
- Process crime scenes for the documentation, testing and collection of biological evidence
- Generate written reports, perform statistical analysis, and provide court testimony for all results obtained

#### January 1995 — January 2003

Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts New England Organ Bank

Tissue Typing Technologist / Board Certified Histocompatibility Specialist

- Performed complex microtiter assays for both solid organ and stem cell transplantation
- · Proficient in all areas of molecular testing: DNA extraction, PCR, RFLP and SSP
- Independently tested, interpreted and reported results for transplantation of life saving organs during 24 hour on-call shifts
- Educated and trained new employees on laboratory policies and procedures.
- Managed and maintained the national organ sharing database
- Designed and implemented research projects to test and improve laboratory procedures
- Organized regional conferences
- Implemented quality control procedures on all equipment and reagents

#### **EDUCATION**

Bachelor of Science - Biology Boston College, College of Arts and Sciences

1993

Molecular Biology course Tufts University, Medford MA

2003



#### TRAINING/PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

# The Fourth Francine and Michael Saferstein Memorial Lectures, Northeastern University, Boston, MA, February 2003

- "The Identification of the WTC Missing Using DNA" (1.5 hours)
- "DNA Profiles from Compromised WTC Tissue" (1.5 hours)

# B.F.D/F.I.U Seminar Series Inc., Dorchester, MA, March 2003

• "DNA, Blood and Fire Debris Analysis" (8 hours)

# Summer Institute in Statistical Genetics, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, June 2003

"Interpreting DNA Evidence" (24 hours)

# The Fifth Francine and Michael Saferstein Memorial Lectures, Northeastern University, Boston, MA, March 2004

- "Forensic DNA Typing in the Courtroom: A Perspective" (1.5 hours)
- "DNA Testing: 21" Century Justice" (1.5 hours)

#### Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists, Mystic, CT, September 2004

"Capillary Electrophoresis in DNA Analysis" (12 hours)

# Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists, Newport, RI, November 2005

Biology Session (12 hours)

#### Applied Biosystems, Albany, NY, May 2006

• "Future Trends in DNA Technology" (8 hours)

# Basic Bloodstain Pattern Analysis, Massachusetts State Police Crime Laboratory, April 2006

"Basic Bloodstain Pattern Analysis" course (40 hours)

#### Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists, Rye Brook, New York, November 2006

- "Obtaining High Quality Nucleic Acids: Manual and Automated Extraction Methods for DNA Forensics" (8 hours)
- Biology Session (12 hours)

#### Promega, Waltham, MA, December 2007

"Technology Tour" (8 hours)

#### Massachusetts Human Resource Division, Boston, MA, December 2007

• "Supervisory Leadership Skills" (24 hours)

#### Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists, West Chester, New York, October 2008

• "DNA Statistics and Population Genetics" (8 hours)

# The International Association for Identification and the Massachusetts State Police, Maynard, Massachusetts, June 2009

• Fundamentals of Crime Scene Investigation with an Introduction to Bloodstain Pattern Analysis (40 hours)

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# Applied Biosystems HTD University, Maynard Massachusetts, December 2009

• "Working With Difficult Samples" (26 hours)

# Applied Biosystems HID University, Maynard Massachusetts, November 2010

"Advanced DNA Analysis" (12 hours)

# Qiagen Inc. DNA Forensics Training Course, Maynard Massachusetts, January 2011

• "BioRobot EZ1 Advanced XL Training" (8 hours)

# Sorenson Forensics Training, Maynard Massachusetts, December 2011

• "Interpretation Workshop — Y-STR Interpretation and SWGDAM Guideline Overview" (8 hours)

# Sorenson Forensics Training, Maynard Massachusetts, March 2012

• "Mixture Interpretation, Statistics, and Population Genetics" (16 hours)

# Sorenson Forensics Training, Maynard Massachusetts, June 2012

• "Advanced Y-STR Interpretation Workshop" (16 hours)

#### Sorenson Forensics Training, Maynard Massachusetts, August 2012

• "Courtroom Testimony Training" (8 hours)

#### Sorenson Forensics Training, Maynard Massachusetts, September 2012

• "Relatedness and Familial Statistics Workshop" (8 hours)

# Sorenson Forensics Training, Maynard Massachusetts, March 2013

• "Forensic Statistics Training" (16 hours)

### Sorenson Forensics Training, Maynard Massachusetts, May 2013

"ISO Accreditation Training" (16 hours)

# Sorenson Forensic Training, Maynard Massachusetts, October 2013

• "Lean Six Sigma Introductory Workshop" (16 hours)

#### Sorenson Forensics Training, Maynard Massachusetts, December 2013

• "New Technologies in the Forensic Community" (16hours)

#### Sorenson Forensics Training, Maynard Massachusetts, May 2014

• "Supervisor Leadership Training" (8 hours)

#### Sorenson Forensics Training, Maynard Massachusetts, December 2014

• "New Technologies in the Forensic Community" (8 hours)

# Cybergenetics Training, Maynard Massachusetts, March 2015

"True Allele" Casework Course (24 hours)

#### Sorenson Forensics Training, Maynard Massachusetts, May 2015

"Plexor HY system and Software" (8 hours)

### Institute of Environmental Science and Research, Maynard Massachusetts, December 2016

"STRmix Training Workshop" (32 hours)

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#### Promega, August 2016

"Promega Technology Tour Seminar" (8 hours)

# Sorenson Forensics Training, September, 2016

• "Probabilistic Genotyping Training" (16 hours)

### Grayson Singley Associates, LLC and Noslow Forensic Consultation, March 2017

• Advanced Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Workshop (40 hours)

#### Institute of Environmental Science and Research, May, 2017

• STRmix Training Workshop (probabilistic genotyping) (32 hours)

#### Nichevision, Inc., December, 2017

• Probabilistic Genotyping Training (16 hours)

#### Thermo Fisher Scientific, April, 2018

• HID Future Trends in Forensic DNA Technology (8 hours)

### Cognitive Bias Training, Dr. Itiel Dror, June 2018

• Cognitive Factors in Forensic Decision Making (8 hours)

# Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, September 2018

 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Northeast Forensic Laboratory Probabilistic Genotyping Users group Meeting – Casework Application and Experience

# Sorenson Forensics, September 2018

Likelihood Ratio/ STRmix Training (8 hours)

#### Sorenson Forensics, October 2019

• Snapshot Genetic Genealogy, DNA Phenotyping, and Kinship Inference (2 hours)

#### Sorenson Forensics, November 2019

Forensic Genealogy Training (4.5 hours)

#### Verogen, December 2019

• MiSeg FGx Genomic System Webinar (2 hours)

#### **Bode Technology, April 2020**

• Forensic Genealogy: Intro and Review of More than a Year of Cases (1 hour)

#### **Bode Technology, April 2020**

• Forensic Genealogy: Unlocking the Science of Genealogy (1 hour)

### California Department of Justice and San Diego Police Department, June 2020

• 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Workshop on STRmix™ Implementation and Casework Approach (8 hours)

### California Department of Justice and San Diego Police Department, June 2021

• 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Workshop on STRmix™ Implementation and Casework Approach (9 hours)

# California Department of Justice and San Diego Police Department, June 2022

8<sup>th</sup> Annual Workshop on STRmix™ Implementation and Casework Approach (9 hours)

#### DNA Labs International, September 2022

• Probabilistic Genotyping Testimony Training Workshop (16 hours)

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Promega, August 2022
Promega 2022 Technology Tour (8 hours)