



ASB Consensus Bodies

Anthropology Consensus Body

The Anthropology Consensus Body will focus on standards and guidelines related to application of anthropological methods and theory, particularly those relating to the recovery and analysis of human remains.

Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Consensus Body

The Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Consensus Body focuses on standards and guidelines related to the scientific detection and analysis of bloodstain patterns present at crime scenes and on associated evidence.

Disaster Victim Identification Consensus Body

The Disaster Victim Identification (DVI) Consensus Body focuses on standards and guidelines related to fatality management of a mass fatality incident that involves the scientific identification of human remains.

DNA Consensus Body

The DNA Consensus Body focuses upon the standards and guidelines related to the use of DNA in legal proceedings. It includes the development of pedigree charts as well as sample collection, preparation, analyses, and interpretation of DNA.

Firearms and Toolmarks Consensus Body

The Firearms and Toolmarks Consensus Body focuses on standards and guidelines related to the examination of firearm and toolmark evidence. This includes the comparison of microscopic toolmarks on bullets, cartridge cases, and other ammunition components and may also include firearm function testing, serial number restoration, muzzle-to-object distance determination, tools, and toolmarks.

Footwear and Tire Consensus Body

The Footwear and Tire Consensus Body focuses on standards and guidelines related to the detection, documentation, recovery, examination, and comparison of footwear and tire evidence.

Forensic Document Examination Consensus Body

The Forensic Document Examination Consensus Body focuses on standards and guidelines related to the forensic analysis, comparison, and evaluation of documents.

Friction Ridge Consensus Body

The Friction Ridge Consensus Body focuses on standards and guidelines related to the forensic examination of friction ridge detail from the hands and feet.



Medicolegal Death Investigation Consensus Body

The Medicolegal Death Investigation Consensus Body focuses on standards and guidelines related to sudden, unnatural, unexplained or suspicious deaths, including homicides, suicides, unintentional fatal injuries, drug-related deaths and other deaths that are sudden or unexpected, including determination of the cause and manner of death.

Odontology Consensus Body

The Odontology Consensus Body focuses on standards and guidelines related to application of dental science to the identification of unknown human remains and bite marks, using both physical and biological dental evidence.

Patterned Injury Analysis Consensus Body

The Patterned Injury Analysis Consensus Body focuses upon the detection and description of patterned injuries on the human body. It is an interdisciplinary consensus body, including – but not limited to - experts from forensic nursing, odontology, elder and child abuse.

Toxicology Consensus Body

The Toxicology Subcommittee will focus on standards and guidelines related to the analysis of biological samples for alcohol, drugs, or poisons, and the interpretation of these results.

Wildlife Forensics Consensus Body

The Wildlife Forensics Consensus Body focuses on standards and guidelines related to taxonomic identification, individualization, and geographic origin of non-human biological evidence based on morphological and genetic analyses.