

TESTING AND CALIBRATION LABORATORY ACCREDITATION PROGRAM (LAP)

Scope of Accreditation

La présente portée d'accréditation existe également en français et est publiée séparément.

Legal Name of Accredited Laboratory: **RCMP Forensic Science & Identification Services**

Location Name or Operating as (if applicable): Forensic Sciences and Identification Services, National DNA Data Bank (NDDB)

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SCC File Number:	15654
Accreditation Standard(s):	ISO/IEC 17025:2017 General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories
Fields of Testing:	Biological Forensic
Program Specialty Area:	Forensic Biology/DNA DNA Databasing
Initial Accreditation:	2004-03-22
Most Recent Accreditation:	2025-02-16
Accreditation Valid to:	2028-03-22

SCC Group Accreditation:

This laboratory is a part of a Group Accreditation with the following facilities in accordance with SCC's policy on Group Accreditation documented in the Accreditation Services Accreditation Program Overview.

- RCMP Forensic Science & Identification Services - NATIONAL FORENSIC LABORATORY SERVICES - EDMONTON, 15405
- RCMP Forensic Science & Identification Services - NATIONAL FORENSIC LABORATORY SERVICES -SURREY, 15489
- RCMP Forensic Science & Identification Services - NATIONAL FORENSIC LABORATORY SERVICES - OTTAWA, 15539

FORENSICS

Forensic Biology / DNA

Description of Activities:

- Verification of designated offence and court order information and suitability of biological samples submitted from convicted offenders.
- Verification of authorization and suitability of biological sample and DNA profile submissions for humanitarian investigations.
- Autosomal STR, Y-STR, and mitochondrial DNA analysis of biological material.
- Interpretation and comparison of DNA profiles to establish associations between known individuals and samples of unknown origin, as well as kinship analysis.
- CODIS match management in NDDB.
- Biological sample destruction and removal of DNA profiles from the NDDB.

Techniques for which laboratory is accredited:

- a. Direct Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) DNA amplification using autosomal STR and Y-STR Amplification Kits and capillary electrophoresis, utilizing robotic and manual set-up procedures.
- b. Sample handling and preparation, DNA extraction, purification, quantification of human and male DNA, PCR amplification using autosomal STR and Y-STR Amplification kits, and capillary electrophoresis utilizing manual set-up procedures.
- c. PCR amplification and sequencing of mitochondrial DNA utilizing robotic and manual set-up procedures.
- d. Interpretation and comparison of DNA typing profiles including statistical analysis.

Number of Forensic Techniques: 4

Notes:

ISO/IEC 17025:2017: General Requirements for the Competence of Testing and Calibration Laboratories

SCC RG-LAB: SCC Requirements and Guidance for the Accreditation of Testing Laboratories

SCC RG-FORENSIC: SCC Requirements and Guidance for the Accreditation for Forensic Testing Laboratories

CODIS: Combined DNA Index System on the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the United States of America.



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