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SUMMARY

NEWS ARTICLES

Forensic DNA

1. "Cunning plan' to steal \$3.7m from cargo hold." The Advertiser, June 4, 2003.
2. "Send funding to forensic." Townsville Bulletin/Townsville Sun (Australia), June 4, 2003.
3. "Tests Delay Justice: Magistrate." The Age (Melbourne), June 3, 2003.
4. "Police confirm remains found in Ohio belong to missing Pennsylvania girl." The Associated Press, June 3, 2003.
5. "KBI has yet to analyze DNA from serial rape suspect." The Associated Press State & Local Wire, June 3, 2003.
6. "Two DNA bills advance in Legislature." The Associated Press State & Local Wire, June 3, 2003.
7. "State uses DNA testing to corral cattle rustler." The Associated Press State & Local Wire, June 3, 2003.
8. "Murder suspects' DNA found on seized weapons." Calgary Herald, June 3, 2003.
9. "Judge denies DNA testing for killer." Fresno Bee, June 3, 2003.
10. "Unusual Use of DNA Aided in Serial Killer Search." The New York Times, June 3, 2003.

11. "Dog Has His DNA." The New York Post, June 3, 2003.
12. "Baton Rouge man sues for his DNA." Times-Picayune, June 3, 2003.
13. "DNA test came 20 months late." Times-Picayune, June 3, 2003.
14. "La. serial killings reveal backlog of old cases." USA Today, June 3, 2003.
15. "Burglar convicted of killing homeowner." The Associated Press State & Local Wire, June 2, 2003.
16. "Remains exhumed to determine if they are those of Christopher Columbus." Associated Press Worldstream, June 2, 2003.
17. "Advances in DNA testing give detectives new tools." The Baltimore Sun, June 2, 2003.
18. "Force To Pilot DNA Crime Scene Scheme." Birmingham Post, June 2, 2003.
19. "A powerful vote for justice." Chicago Tribune, June 1, 2003.
20. "DNA Identifications Are Put to the Test." Genomics and Proteomics, June 01, 2003.
21. "After 25 years, he faces rape trial." St. Petersburg Times, June 1, 2003.
22. "Status Of Legislation." St. Louis Post-Dispatch, June 1, 2003.
23. "Delay in database lost chance to nab suspect's DNA." The Associated Press State & Local Wire, May 31, 2003.
24. "A potent tool for justice." The Journal News (Westchester County, NY), May 31, 2003.
25. "Woman tells of last night with daughter." The San Diego Union Tribune, May 31, 2003.
26. "Police charge cousin in death of 13-year-old girl found in burned-out van." The Associated Press State & Local Wire, May 30, 2003.
27. "Officials identify five other questionable Melnikoff cases." The Associated Press State & Local Wire, May 30, 2003.
28. "Appeals court upholds five capital murder convictions." The Associated Press State & Local Wire, May 30, 2003.

29. "German Police Find Murderer Of Czech Hitch-Hiker After Four Years." CTK National News Wire, May 30, 2003.
30. "Judge may toss suit in rape." St. Petersburg Times, May 30, 2003.
31. "DNA Dilemma In Madhumita Case." The Times of India, May 30, 2003.
32. "Bill would raise funds for DNA tests." The Advocate, May 29, 2003.
33. "Man's body finally identified after year in Bergen County morgue." The Associated Press State & Local Wire, May 29, 2003.
34. "Bill requires DNA samples from any person convicted of crime." The Associated Press State & Local Wire, May 30, 2003.
35. "Man sentenced to 58 years in Election Day rape." The Associated Press State & Local Wire, May 29, 2003.
36. "Suspect Is Cleared In Athens Slaying." The Augusta Chronicle, May 29, 2003.
37. "Red Hand killing was 'revenge'." Irish News, May 29, 2003.
38. "La. case triggers battle over DNA." USA Today, May 29, 2003.
39. "Stalling seen on bill to solve rape cases." The Washington Times, May 29, 2003.
40. "20 Bish suspects asked to give DNA." The Boston Herald, May 28, 2003.
41. "Foolproof?; trusting DNA tests in criminal cases." CBS News Transcripts (60 Minutes II), May 28, 2003.
42. "Tourist's Rape Trial Delayed For DNA Tests." African Eye News Service (South-East Africa), May 27, 2003.
43. "DeWeese v. Weaver." The Legal Intelligencer, May 27, 2003.

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44. "Charleston's Own DNA Project." The Post and Courier, June 3, 2003.
In South Carolina, DNA from more than 1,200 people, representing more than 660 local families, is frozen at the Medical University of South Carolina to establish a family registry and confidential DNA bank of Sea Island residents who have diabetes.
45. "It's time to build a biotechnology culture." The Japan Times, June 2, 2003.

The major challenge for biotechnology in the 21st century is one of accommodating all the social, ethical and legal concerns of the international community. A "biotechnology culture" should be fostered to support and build upon achievements in biotechnology, and at the same time ensure conformity on ethical values.

46. "Panel Urges Clamp On DNA Data." The Age (Melbourne), May 30, 2003.
A report released by the Australian Law Reform Commission, the National Health & Medical Research Council and the Australian Health Ethics Committee said taking a person's DNA without consent for genetic tests should be a criminal offense. It also said employers should not be able to collect genetic information, and a national human genetics watchdog should be established to monitor gene research.
47. "Duke, Venter to search for genetic causes of disease." Associated Press State & Local Wire, May 30, 2003.
A collaboration announced between Duke and the Venter's Rockville-based Center for the Advancement of Genomics marks one of the first efforts to use the human genome to predict diseases and treat patients before illnesses such as heart disease and cancer occur.
48. "Gene test plan for insurance." The Australian, May 29, 2003.
People with a genetic predisposition to some diseases will have to disclose genetic test results to obtain health and life insurance, under proposals to be unveiled by the Australian Government. Insurance industry sources confirm the proposal is one of 177 recommendations made by the Australian Law Reform Commission after its 2 1/2-year inquiry into protecting genetic information.

Agriculture

49. In Canada, hundreds more cattle will have to be slaughtered and checked for mad cow disease after DNA tests failed to pinpoint the birthplace of an infected animal.
50. At the Kentucky State Fair, in addition to ear tags, the registration process for animals in the 4-H/Future Farmers of America contests now includes DNA sampling.

Industry News

51. Orchid has granted Genetic Technologies exclusive licences to its SNP panels for paternity and forensic DNA testing services for Australia, New Zealand and Southeast Asia.
52. From "Genomics and Proteomics" -- The Emergence of Protein Microarrays; Still in their infancy, protein microarrays are expected to follow the same development path as their DNA counterparts.
53. Orchid BioSciences has named Paul J. Kelly as its new chief executive.

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

1. US House of Representatives. Introduction of H.R. 2110 by Rep. Vitter. A bill to give priority funding for DNA Backlog Elimination and Self Defense training, prioritizing for States and municipalities that are in the midst of combating a serial killer.
2. US Senate. Senator Frist's statement in support of S. 1053, the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2003.

FEDERAL REGISTER

1. Semiannual Regulatory Agenda of the Department of Justice. Includes status of Rule for "DNA Sampling Of Federal Offenders Under The Usa Patriot Act Of 2001."

2. Semiannual Regulatory Agenda of the Court Services And Offender Supervision Agency For The District Of Columbia. Includes status of Rule for “Collection And Use Of Dna Information” for specified offenders.
3. Semiannual Regulatory Agenda of the Office Of Personnel Management (OPM). Includes status of Rule for Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Program: Miscellaneous Changes And Clarifications.
4. Notice of recommendations for genomic sequencing targets in support of the Science Missions of the Office of Biological and Environmental Research (BER), Department Of Energy.