



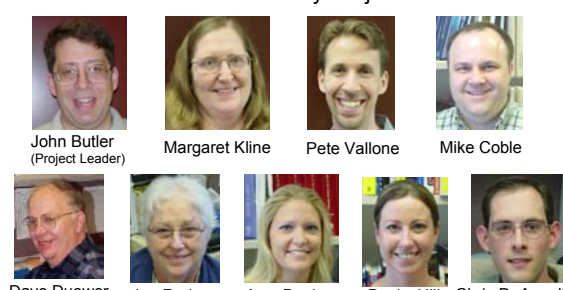
NIST Research Update

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Our publications and presentations are made available at:
<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/NISTpub.htm>

Past and Present Collaborators (also funded by NIJ):
Mike Hammer and Alan Redd (U. AZ) for Y-chromosome studies
Tom Parsons, Rebecca Just, Jodi Irwin (AFDIL) for mtDNA coding SNP work
Sandy Calloway (Roche) for mtDNA LINEAR ARRAYS
Bruce McCord and students (FL Int. U.) for miniSTR work
Marilyn Raymond and Victor David (NCI-Frederick) for cat STR work
Artie Eisenberg and John Planz (U. North Texas) for miniSTR testing on bones

Team Impact on Forensic Community

- **28 publications** (published or submitted) since Nov 2004
- **51 presentations** to the community since Nov 2004
- All NIST publications and presentations available on STRBase:
<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/NISTpub.htm>
- Training materials from **2 workshops** **>500 PowerPoint slides**
 - Albany DNA Academy (June 13-14, 2005) with Bruce McCord
 - NFSTC Validation Workshop (August 24-26, 2005) with Robyn Ragsdale
- *Forensic DNA Typing: Biology, Technology, and Genetics of STR Markers*, 2nd Edition (John Butler)

AAFS 2006 Workshop #6 (John Butler and Bruce McCord)
Advanced Topics in Capillary Electrophoresis and DNA Typing



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The Research, Development, and Evaluation Agency of the U.S. Department of Justice

Current Areas of NIST Effort with Forensic DNA

- **Standards**
 - Standard Reference Materials
 - Standard Information Resources (STRBase website)
 - Interlaboratory Studies
- **Technology**
 - Research programs in SNPs, miniSTRs, Y-STRs, mtDNA, qPCR
 - Assay and software development
- **Training Materials**
 - Review articles and workshops on STRs, CE, validation
 - PowerPoint and pdf files available for download

Congress Passed **the DNA Identification Act of 1994** (Public Law 103 322)

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Formalized the FBI's authority to establish a national DNA index for law enforcement purposes.

FBI's DNA Advisory Board



Quality Assurance Standards for Forensic DNA Testing Laboratories

(October 1, 1998)

STANDARD 9.5

The laboratory shall check its DNA procedures annually or whenever substantial changes are made to the protocol(s) **against an appropriate and available NIST standard reference material or standard traceable to a NIST standard.**



Standard Reference Materials

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- Relevant Forensic DNA SRMs
 - SRM 2391b** (DNA profiling – STRs, D1S80, DQA1/PM)
 - SRM 2392-I (mtDNA)
 - SRM 2395 (Y-chromosome)
 - SRM 2372 (Human DNA quantitation); *in development*
- Provides national/international traceability and compatibility (aids in ISO 17025 compliance)


We are currently working on a manuscript that discusses NIST traceability issues to aid auditors and labs moving to ISO 17025 accreditation

<http://www.nist.gov/srm>

SRM 2372

Human DNA Quantitation Standard

Anticipated 2006 issue



NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME: Fall 2006?

Component A: Male
Component B: Female
Component C: Mixture

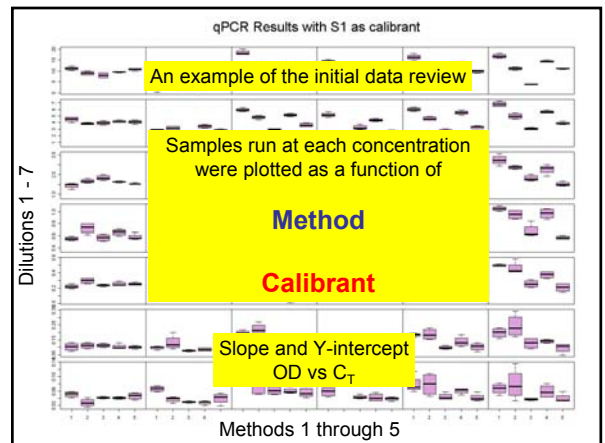
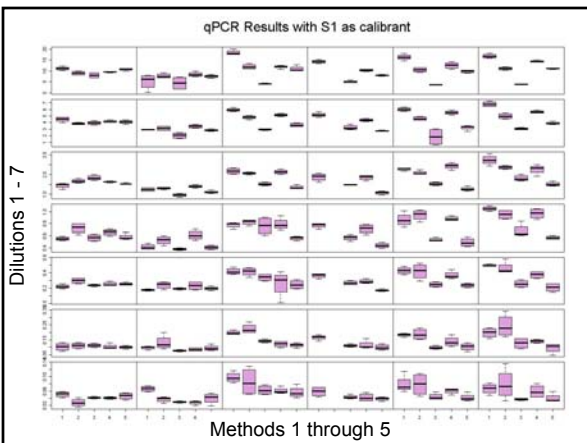
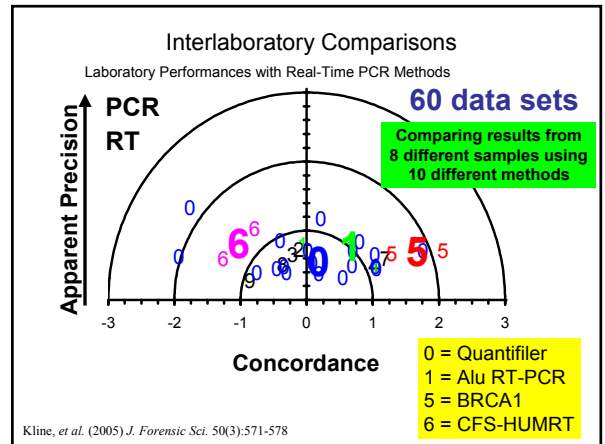
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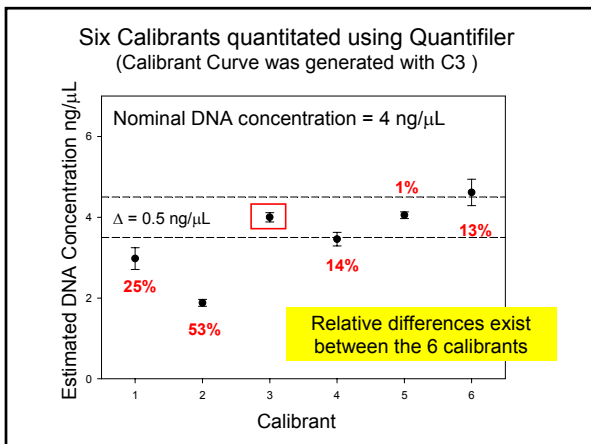
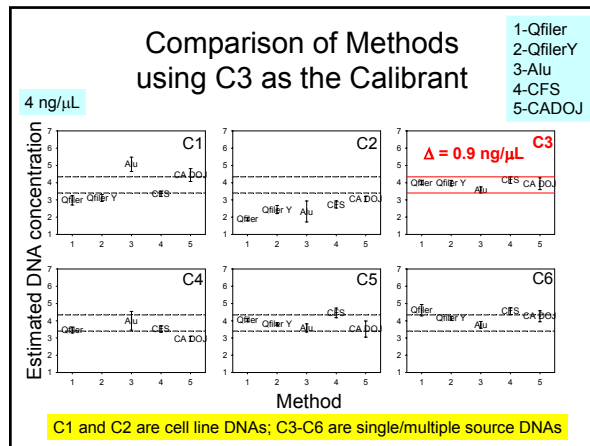
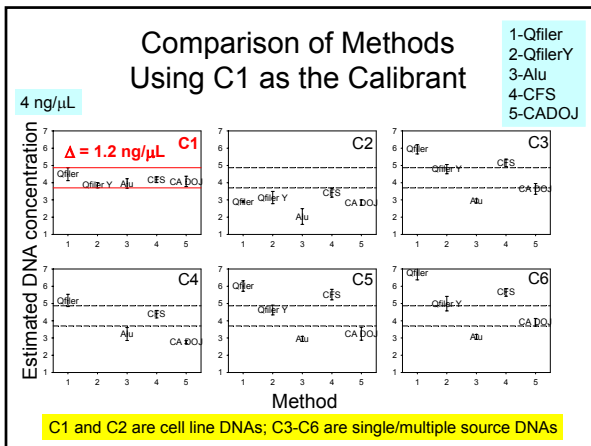
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Human DNA Quantitation Standard

Component A: Male (blood)
Component B: Female (blood)
Component C: Mixture (placenta)

- Genomic DNA isolated by Salt out procedure
- Treated with RNase and re-precipitated
- UV spectroscopy 340-220 nm on a NIST calibrated spectrophotometer
- Assume $A^{260} = OD^{260} = 1$ for a 50 μ g/mL solution**





STRBase: A Standard Information Resource

John Butler, Jan Redman

Primary updates performed monthly

- Summary of variant alleles and tri-allelic patterns
- List of STR references (Reference Manager database)
- NIST publications and presentations

New content is being added regularly to aid training and to support forensic DNA laboratories

<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/>
<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/NISTpub.htm>
http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/var_tab.htm

Validation Information

John Butler, Margaret Kline, Jan Redman

- Survey initiated at June 2004 NIJ meeting and conducted last summer resulted in 53 responses
- Talk at Promega meeting Oct 2004
- Validation summary sheets
- Validation website on STRBase
- Workshop conducted August 2005 at NFSTC (DVD to be released as part of *President's DNA Initiative* training)
- We invite submission of your internal validation studies for inclusion in the NIST validation website

<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/validation.htm>

Validation Workshop (Aug 24-26, 2005 at NFSTC)

<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/validation/validationworkshop.htm>

National Forensic Science Technology Center
President's DNA Initiative - Workshops

Validation Workshop

Robyn Ragsdale, PhD
Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE)

John M. Butler, PhD
National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)

COURSE CONTENTS

Day #1

- Validation Overview (John)
- Introduction to DAB Standards (Robyn & John)
- Developmental Validation (John)

Day #2

- Inconsistency in Validation between Labs (John)
- Internal Validation (Robyn)
- Method Modifications and Performance Checks (Robyn)

Day #3

- Practical Exercises (Robyn)

Laboratory Internal Validation Summaries

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Kit, Assay or Instrument	Laboratory	Submitter
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Helpful Information with STR Kit Validation (with SWGDAM revised validation guidelines sections indicated)

Information will be included here to help with individual lab validation studies and is based on a community-wide effort either through literature extraction or direct contribution. If you have something that you feel would be helpful to others regarding a particular aspect of validation, please contact John Butler <john.butler@nist.gov>. Information will be posted along with the source and contact information if someone wants to learn more.

The information below is organized following the [SWGDAM Revised Validation Guidelines](#) with the numbers in parentheses referring to the various sections of the document.

Developmental Validation

Characterization of Genetics Markers (2.1) [STRbase STR Fact Sheets](#); [Forensic SNP information](#)

(Inheritance (2.1.1))

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Soliciting Information on Studies Performed by the Community

Study Category	Description of Samples Run with Proposed Validation	# of Samples	# of Laboratories
Single Source (Concordance)	8 samples (8 unique concordance) = 200 samples (out of population concordance study)	200	100
Mixtures	45	45	10
Mixture Ratio	1 sample x 11 ratios (1:0, 1:1, 1:2, 1:3, 1:4, 1:5, 1:6, 1:7, 1:8, 1:9, 1:10, 1:11, 1:12, 1:13, 1:14, 1:15, 1:16, 1:17, 1:18, 1:19, 1:20)	22	33
Sensitivity	5 samples x 8 assays (S101.6, S20, S240, S250, S60, S170) = 15 samples x 3 points (4000-160000 amp/amp)	55	33
Non-Human	11 samples	11	0
NIST SIM 2291b	12 comparisons	12	12
Precision (ABI 310)	25 samples x 10 fractions each x 10 fractions of allele ladders	60	60
Non-Probative Cases	5 cases x 4 samples each (evidence EF5/FAC/16/14/2)	20	20
Stutter	200 samples (also used from population samples)	-	-
Peak Height Ratio	200 samples (also used from population samples)	-	-
Cycling Parameters	14 samples x 2 different cycle numbers (30/32) x 2 fraction lines (35 seconds)	56	-
Annealing Temperature	3 samples x 4 concentrations (2.0, 2.5, 3.0, 3.5) x 1 temperature (55/55/55/55)	60	0
Proficiency	9 sets x 4 samples per set	36	12
Substrate	8 common substrates x 1 sample each	8	0
Environment	5 conditions (outdoor/indoor/office/warehouse) x 1 time point (1:00-2:00 AM) x 1 sample each	10	0
Various Issues	Bone, hair, teeth, semen, perspiration, urine, blood, smears, vaginal swab (minimum of one sample each)	9	0
TOTAL SAMPLES RUN		633	200

Interlaboratory Studies

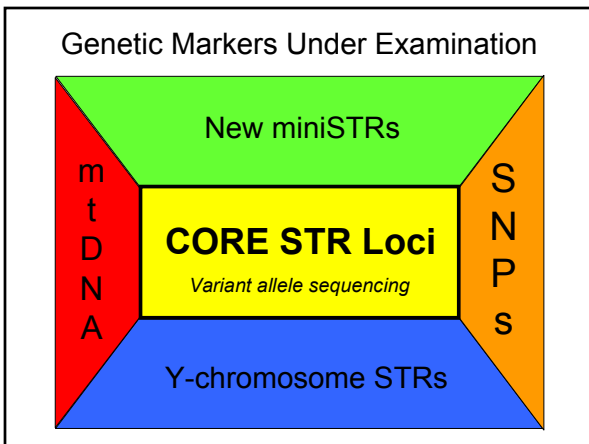


- DNA Quantitation Study (QS04)**
 - 8 DNA samples supplied
 - 84 laboratories signed up (80 labs returned results)
 - 287 data sets using 19 different methods
 - 60 data sets with real-time qPCR (37 Quantifiler data sets)
 - Publication in May 2005: *J. Forensic Sci.* 50(3): 571-578
- Mixture Interpretation Study (MIX05)**
 - 94 labs signed up (69 labs returned data)
 - Interpretation requested of provided e-grams for 4 mock sexual assault cases
 - Data analysis is still on-going...


<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/interlab.htm>

NIST Initiated Interlaboratory Studies

Studies involving STRs	# Labs	Publications
Evaluation of CSF1PO, TPOX, and TH01	34	Kline MC, Dweuer DL, Newall P, Redman JW, Reeder DJ, Richard M. (1997) Interlaboratory evaluation of STR triplex CTT. <i>J. Forensic Sci.</i> 42: 897-906
Mixed Stain Studies #1 and #2 (Apr–Nov 1997 and Jan–May 1999)	45	Dweuer DL, Kline MC, Redman JW, Newall PJ, Reeder DJ. (2001) NIST Mixed Stain Studies #1 and #2: interlaboratory comparison of DNA quantification practice and short tandem repeat multiplex performance with multiple-source samples. <i>J. Forensic Sci.</i> 46: 1199-1210
Mixed Stain Study #3 (Oct 2000-May 2001)	74	Kline, M.C., Dweuer, D.L., Redman, J.W., Butler, J.M. (2003) NIST mixed stain study 3: DNA quantitation accuracy and its influence on short tandem repeat multiplex signal intensity. <i>Anal. Chem.</i> 75: 2463-2469.
DNA Quantitation Study (Jan-Mar 2004)	80	Dweuer, D.L., Kline, M.C., Redman, J.W., Butler, J.M. (2004) NIST Mixed Stain Study #3: signal intensity balance in commercial short tandem repeat multiplexes. <i>Anal. Chem.</i> 76: 6928-6934.
Mixture Interpretation Study (Jan-Mar 2005)	69	Kline, M.C., Dweuer, D.L., Redman, J.W., Butler, J.M. (2005) Results from the NIST 2004 DNA Quantitation Study. <i>J. Forensic Sci.</i> 50(3):571-578
		Data analysis currently on-going ... Some information presented at NIJ Grantees (June 2005), ISFG (Sept 2005), Promega (Sept 2005)




STR Allele Sequencing and Characterization



- Variant characterization**
 - TPOX 10.3 (Maryland State Police)
 - D18S51 null alleles** (FSS and Kuwait govt)
 - D18S51 allele 40 (Nebraska State Crime Lab)
 - D18S51 allele "5.3" (DNA Solutions)
 - VWA allele "15.1" (Peter de Knijff)
 - DYS19 allele 9 (Italy)
 - DYS392 allele "10.2" (AFDIL)
 - DYS439 allele 7 (Italy)

<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/STRseq.htm>



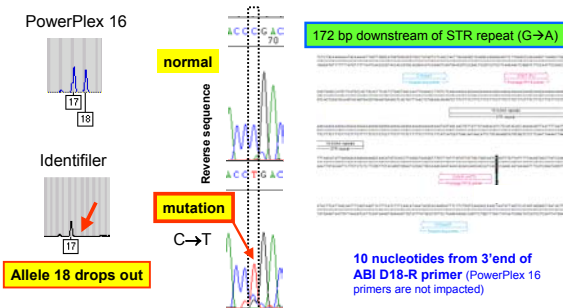
STR Allele Sequencing and Characterization

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- Locus duplication or deletion
 - DYS390 deletion (CFS Toronto)
 - DYS19 duplication (Portugal)
 - DYS392 deletion (MN BCA) - H4 duplication (Portugal)
 - DYS385 triplication (Italy)
 - DYS389II duplication (Italy)
 - DYS439 duplication (Italy)
- **Forensic labs are sending us unusual STR alleles for sequence characterization**

<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/STRseq.htm>

D18S51 Null Allele from Kuwait Samples with ABI Primers




PowerPlex 16
normal
Identifiler
mutation
Allele 18 drops out

Reverse sequence
172 bp downstream of STR repeat (G→A)
10 nucleotides from 3' end of ABI D18-R primer (PowerPlex 16 primers are not impacted)

Clayton et al. (2004) Primer binding site mutations affecting the typing of STR loci contained within the AMPFISTR SGM Plus kit. *Forensic Sci Int.* 139(2-3): 255-259

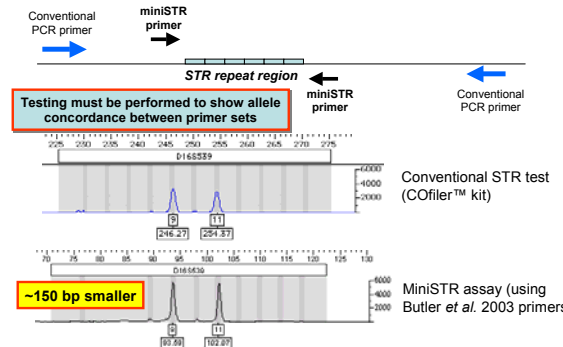
Genetic Markers Under Examination



New miniSTRs

CORE STR Loci
Variant allele sequencing

A miniSTR is a reduced size STR amplicon that enables higher recovery of information from degraded DNA samples



Conventional PCR primer miniSTR primer


Testing must be performed to show allele concordance between primer sets

Conventional STR test (COfiler™ kit)

MiniSTR assay (using Butler et al. 2003 primers)

~150 bp smaller

Butler, J.M. (2005) *Forensic DNA Typing, 2nd Edition*, Figure 7.2, ©Elsevier Science/Academic Press



miniSTRs for Degraded DNA

Mike Coble Becky Hill John Butler

- Original miniSTR paper with CODIS loci, D2, D19, Penta D, Penta E – Butler et al. (2003) *J. Forensic Sci.* 48: 1054-1064
- Many CODIS loci are too big and make poor miniSTRs
- New miniSTRs and assays: NC01, NC02 – Coble, M.D. and Butler, J.M. (2005) *J. Forensic Sci.* 50:43-53
- New miniSGM miniplex: AMEL, TH01, FGA, D18, D16, D2
- EDNAP/ENFSI degraded DNA study coordinated by Peter Gill
- Creation of miniSTR information on STRBase

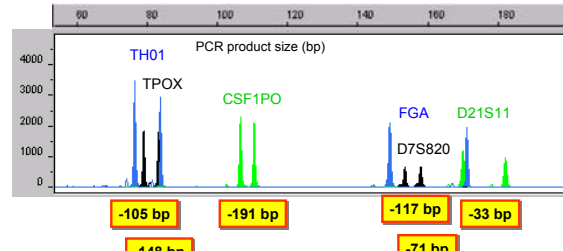
<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/miniSTR.htm>

J. Forensic Sci. Sept 2003 issue

John M. Butler,¹ Ph.D.; Yin Shen,^{2,3} Ph.D.; and Bruce R. McCord

Describes new primer sequences for all CODIS loci and initial assays developed

The Development of Reduced Size STR Amplicons as Tools for Analysis of Degraded DNA*

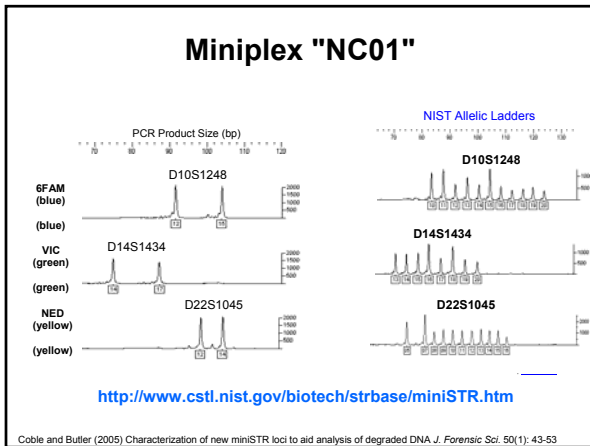
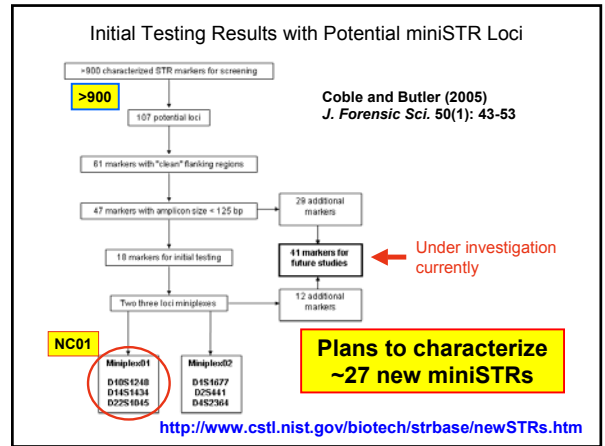
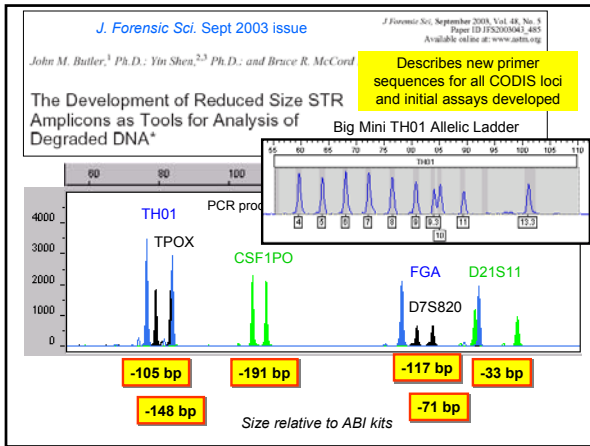


PCR product size (bp)

TH01 TPOX CSF1PO FGA D7S820 D21S11

-105 bp -191 bp -117 bp -33 bp
-148 bp -71 bp

Size relative to ABI kits



Forthcoming Article Advocating miniSTRs

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Short communication

The evolution of DNA databases—Recommendations for new European STR loci

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Forthcoming Article Advocating miniSTRs

They recommend that miniSTRs "be adopted as the way forward to increase both the robustness and sensitivity of analysis."

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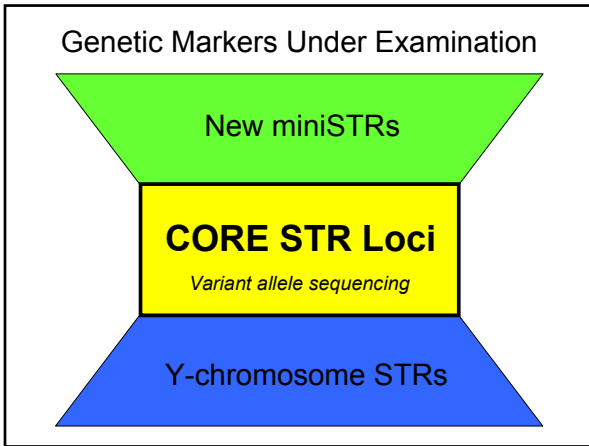
They recommend that European laboratories adopt three new mini-STR loci, namely: D10S1248, D14S1434 and D22S1045.

New Autosomal STR Loci

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- NC01 loci: **D10S1248, D14S1434, D22S1045**
- Peter Gill and the EDNAP/ENFSI group have recommended the NC01 loci as an extension of current European core loci following their demonstrated success in the recent EDNAP degraded DNA interlab study
- Being adopted/explored in multiple U.S. paternity testing labs (BRT Labs, Orchid Cellmark East Lansing, DNA Diagnostics Center)
- Population data, locus characterization, and allelic ladders for **27 new autosomal STRs under development** as new miniSTRs
- All new STR loci are physically unlinked to CODIS and ENFSI core loci

<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/newSTRs.htm>



Work with Y-STRs

- Beta-testing of all commercial Y-STR kits
- U.S. population data supplied to Yfiler haplotype database
- 49 Y-STR loci evaluated with ~650 U.S. samples**
- New Y-chromosome information on STRBase linking to all available haplotype databases
- Human Y-Chromosome DNA Profiling Standard Reference Material (SRM 2395) – updates with DYS635 for Yfiler
- Separation of two brothers with 47 Y-STRs**

http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/y_strs.htm

New Y-Chromosome Information Resources on STRBase

http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/y_strs.htm

Locus boxes are hyperlinked to STR Fact Sheets

Largest Y-STR Database

YHRD has **9,634 haplotypes** (from 61 populations) with SWGDAM recommended loci

NIST Work with New Y-STR Loci

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Announcement of population data
Allele frequencies for 27 Y-STR loci with U.S. Caucasian, African American, and Hispanic samples

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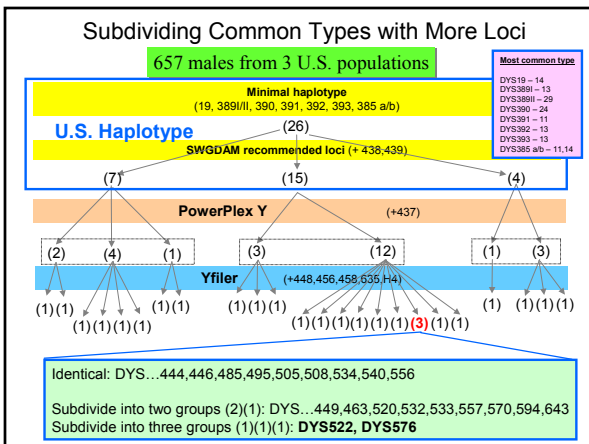
Biotechnology Division, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-0111, USA

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14,535 types generated across 27 new loci

Abstract

A total of 263 U.S. Caucasians, 260 African Americans and 140 U.S. Hispanics, Americans, and 32 Hispanics were typed for 27 Y-chromosome short tandem repeat (Y-STR) markers: DYS444, DYS446, DYS449, DYS460, DYS465, DYS469, DYS504, DYS506, DYS508, DYS520, DYS522, DYS523, DYS532, DYS533, DYS534, DYS540, DYS556, DYS557, DYS570, DYS575, DYS576, DYS594, DYS602, DYS605, DYS641, and DYS643. Allele frequencies for each locus are reported along with nomenclature based on sequence analysis.



Duplication at Multiple Loci with Single-Source Sample

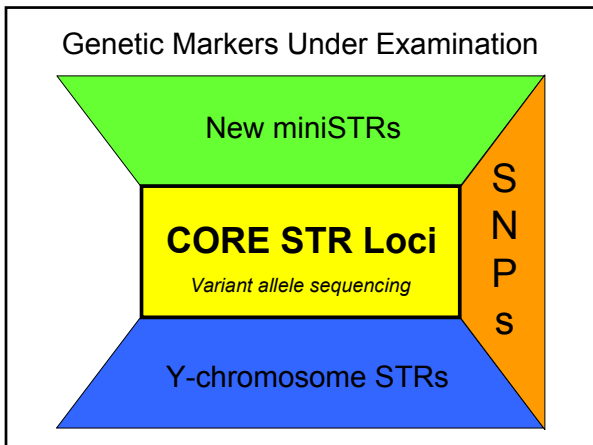
Y-chromosome mapping

Y STR Marker	q-arm Position (Mb)
DYS391	13.413
DYS635 (C4)	13.690
DYS434	13.777
DYS437	13.778
DYS435	13.807
DYS439	13.826
DYS389 III	13.923
DYS388	14.057
DYS442	14.071
DYS438	14.248

Entire region of Y-chromosome has likely been duplicated and then diverged

Most duplications have a single repeat spread in allele patterns

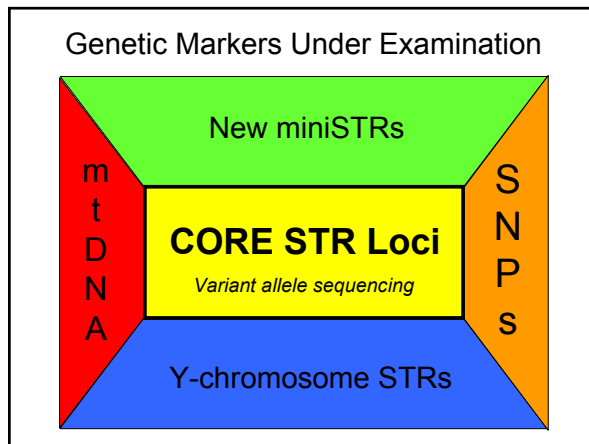
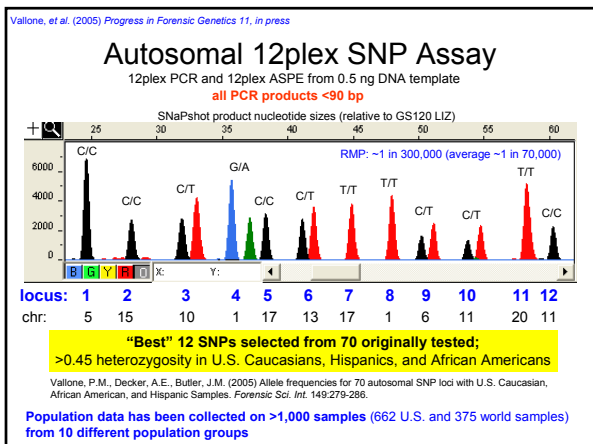
Butler et al. (2005) *J. Forensic Sci.* 50(4):853-859



Work with SNP Loci

- U.S. population frequencies with 70 autosomal SNPs
– Vallone et al. (2005) *Forensic Sci. Int.* 149: 279-286
- U.S. population information with 50 Y-SNPs
– Vallone et al. (2004) *J. Forensic Sci.* 49: 723-732
- Construction of 12plex autosomal SNP assay
– Vallone et al. (2005) *Progress in Forensic Genetics 11* >1,000 samples examined from 10 populations
- Creation of Forensic SNP Information website on STRBase
– see Gill et al. *Science&Justice* 44(1): 51-53

<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/SNP.htm>



Work with mtDNA

- Collaboration with Armed Forces DNA Identification Laboratory to develop multiplex mtDNA SNP assays for coding region polymorphisms
- Beta-testing and automation of Roche LINEAR ARRAY HVI/HVII probes
- Population study performed with LINEAR ARRAY HVI/HVII probes
- Exploration of effective strategies for forensic analysis in the mitochondrial DNA coding region

<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/mtDNA.htm>

Typing frequencies for 666 NIST population samples

# in Group	Freq	% Types	% People
1	185	65.6	27.8
2	46	16.3	13.8
3	18	6.4	8.1
4	4	1.4	2.4
5	3	1.1	2.3
6	4	1.4	3.6
7	1	0.4	1.1
8	9	3.2	10.8
9	2	0.7	2.7
10	4	1.4	6.0
11	1	0.4	1.7
12	1	0.4	1.8
18	1	0.4	2.7
23	1	0.4	3.5
28	1	0.4	4.2
51	1	0.4	7.7

Summary of Our Population Typing with Roche mtDNA LINEAR ARRAYS

LINEAR ARRAY summary

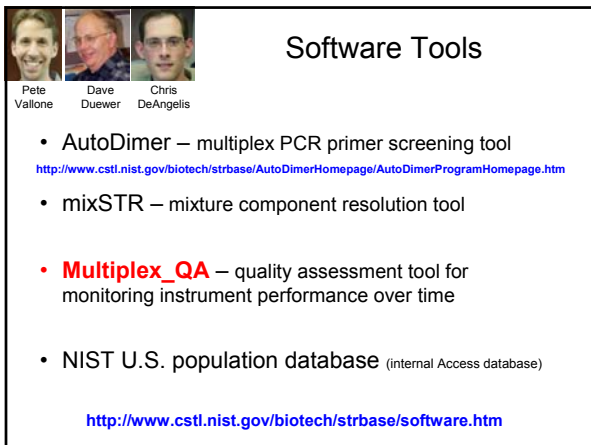
- 282 different types
- 185 were unique (occurred only once)
- 51 samples had “Most Common Type”

HVI/HV2 sequencing summary


- 518 different types
- 454 were unique (occurred only once)
- 17 samples had “Most Common Type”

“Most Common Type” evaluated further with mtDNA coding region SNP assay

Kline et al. (2005) *J. Forensic Sci.* 50(2): 377-385



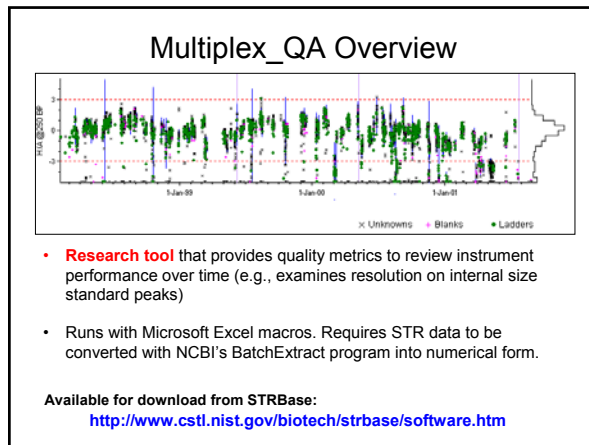
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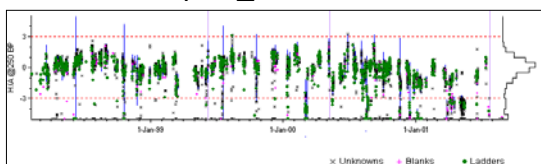
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- AutoDimer – multiplex PCR primer screening tool
<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/AutoDimerHomepage/AutoDimerProgramHomepage.htm>
- mixSTR – mixture component resolution tool
- **Multiplex_QA** – quality assessment tool for monitoring instrument performance over time
- NIST U.S. population database (internal Access database)

<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/software.htm>

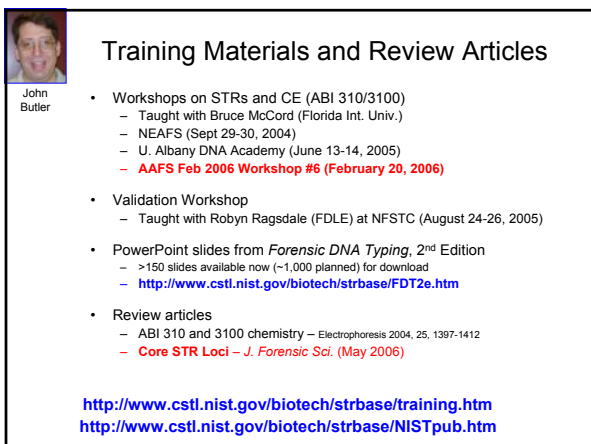


Multiplex_QA Overview




- **Research tool** that provides quality metrics to review instrument performance over time (e.g., examines resolution on internal size standard peaks)
- Runs with Microsoft Excel macros. Requires STR data to be converted with NCBI's BatchExtract program into numerical form.

Available for download from STRBase:
<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/software.htm>



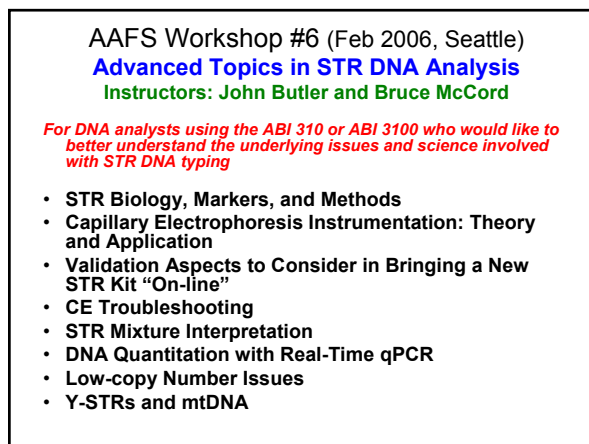
Training Materials and Review Articles



John Butler

- Workshops on STRs and CE (ABI 310/3100)
 - Taught with Bruce McCord (Florida Int. Univ.)
 - NEAFS (Sept 29-30, 2004)
 - U. Albany DNA Academy (June 13-14, 2005)
 - **AAFS Feb 2006 Workshop #6 (February 20, 2006)**
- Validation Workshop
 - Taught with Robyn Ragsdale (FDLE) at NFSTC (August 24-26, 2005)
- PowerPoint slides from *Forensic DNA Typing*, 2nd Edition
 - >150 slides available now (~1,000 planned) for download
 - <http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/FDT2e.htm>
- Review articles
 - ABI 310 and 3100 chemistry – *Electrophoresis* 2004, 25, 1397-1412
 - **Core STR Loci – *J. Forensic Sci.* (May 2006)**

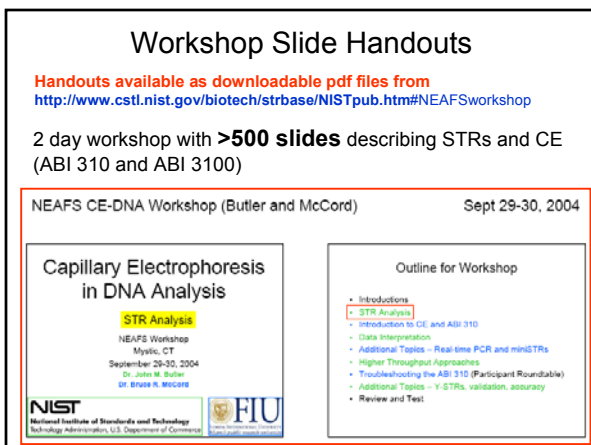
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<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/NISTpub.htm>



AAFS Workshop #6 (Feb 2006, Seattle)
Advanced Topics in STR DNA Analysis
Instructors: John Butler and Bruce McCord

For DNA analysts using the ABI 310 or ABI 3100 who would like to better understand the underlying issues and science involved with STR DNA typing

- STR Biology, Markers, and Methods
- Capillary Electrophoresis Instrumentation: Theory and Application
- Validation Aspects to Consider in Bringing a New STR Kit “On-line”
- CE Troubleshooting
- STR Mixture Interpretation
- DNA Quantitation with Real-Time qPCR
- Low-copy Number Issues
- Y-STRs and mtDNA



Workshop Slide Handouts

Handouts available as downloadable pdf files from
<http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/NISTpub.htm#NEAFSworkshop>


2 day workshop with **>500 slides** describing STRs and CE (ABI 310 and ABI 3100)

NEAFS CE-DNA Workshop (Butler and McCord) Sept 29-30, 2004

Capillary Electrophoresis in DNA Analysis

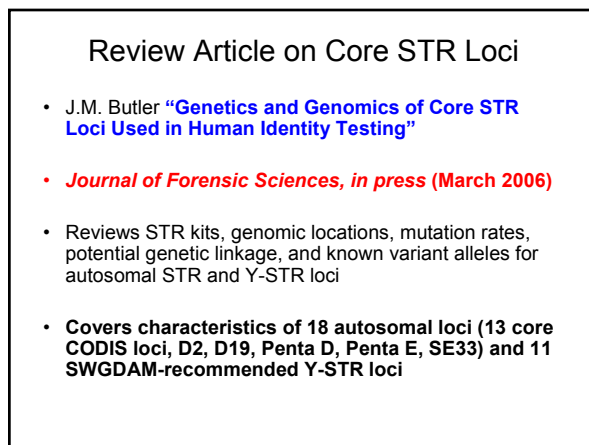
STR Analysis

NEAFS Workshop
Mystic, CT
September 29-30, 2004
Dr. John M. Butler
Dr. Bruce R. McCord



Outline for Workshop

- Introductions
- STR Analysis
- Introduction to CE and ABI 310
- Data Interpretation
- Additional Topics – Real-time PCR and miniSTRs
- Higher Throughput Approaches
- Troubleshooting the ABI 310 (Participant Roundtable)
- Additional Topics – Y-STRs, validation, accuracy
- Review and Test



Review Article on Core STR Loci

- J.M. Butler **“Genetics and Genomics of Core STR Loci Used in Human Identity Testing”**
- ***Journal of Forensic Sciences, in press (March 2006)***
- Reviews STR kits, genomic locations, mutation rates, potential genetic linkage, and known variant alleles for autosomal STR and Y-STR loci
- **Covers characteristics of 18 autosomal loci (13 core CODIS loci, D2, D19, Penta D, Penta E, SE33) and 11 SWGDAM-recommended Y-STR loci**

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