

[Houston Forensic Science Center Asks for New Crime Lab](#)

City council members were not immediately accepting of the idea, with some saying they were concerned with costs of leasing space downtown. Some members suggested partnering with the county to create a regional forensics center as a solution, which forensics officials said would create a lab too large to be efficient.

[BGSU forensic science center studying opioid field test method](#)

The Attorney General's Center for the Future of Forensic Science (the Center) and Vuronyx Technologies are part of a partnership that today received a \$200,000 grant as part of the Ohio Third Frontier's Opioid Technology Challenge, an effort to find technology-based solutions to address or improve opioid abuse prevention, treatment, and overdose avoidance and response.

[20 Baffling Forensic Cases That Stumped Everyone](#)

The case of Orlando and Brandon Nemhard illustrates that forensic evidence is only as good as the technology used to analyze it. In 2011, witnesses claimed they saw Orlando brandish a pistol and shoot a young man dead outside a nightclub in Chandler, AZ. It would have been an open-and-shut case, except that Orlando's identical twin, Brandon, was also present at the crime scene. No forensic evidence from the crime could reveal which brother was responsible, and police had to drop the case.

[Forensic specialist's mission to ID 9/11 victims also a personal one](#)

"There's a part of me that still hopes that every sample that I test may be one day, I can provide closure to my loved ones... who have lost a big part of our family that day," Schweighardt said.

[Robber tries to foil forensic science, fails and is jailed for more than 20 years](#)

A burglar who cut a victim's nails in a bid to destroy evidence was jailed after his DNA was found on an errant clipping, police have said.

[In a New York lab, 17 years on, a team is still working to identify 9/11 victims](#)

In July, almost a year after the last identification, the lab added another name to the list — Scott Michael Johnson, a 26-year-old financial analyst who had been working on the 89th floor of the South Tower.

[9/11 identifications: 17 years later, the largest forensic investigation in U.S. history continues](#)

Forensic scientists with the Bode Technology Group in Virginia, where New York City sent many unidentified human remains in the aftermath of the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks on the World Trade Center, failed twice in 2002 to extract clear, liquid DNA that could generate a profile.

[Can Science Solve a Music Industry Mystery?](#)

For the past four years, an aural whodunit has been unfolding in Los Angeles. A class-action lawsuit alleges that three songs from Michael Jackson's posthumous album, Michael -- "Breaking News," "Monster" and "Keep Your Head Up" -- were not voiced by the artist himself. If found to be true, several of the album's producers could be charged with fraud and forced to pay the King of Pop's fans. In the quest for answers, legal experts have turned to a fascinating field of science: audio forensics.

[9 Historical True Crime Books That Will Show You The Creepier Side Of History](#)

History, science, memoir, suspense — many true crime book have elements of each of these. So, of course, if you're a history buff who's also obsessed with true crime, you're definitely in luck: History is filled with remarkable, true mysteries that make for excellent books.

[BRPD wants two crime lab analysts of its own](#)

From robberies to shootings, the Baton Rouge Police Department keeps the State Police Crime Lab busy processing evidence. According to State Police, BRPD sends a substantial amount of evidence to the crime lab, more than most other agencies.

[Judge blasts Wisconsin State Crime Lab for potential release of defendant in Milwaukee double homicide](#)

"This court cannot conceive of what would be higher in the protocol of the crime lab than testing for DNA on an active case on a serious felony where there's a speedy trial demand."

[Conviction reversed because Houston crime lab analyst, supervisor did not disclose evidence problems](#)

Gooden was suspended in April 2014 after alerting her supervisor, William Arnold, that she mistakenly analyzed a blood sample that had been submitted with label errors by a Houston police officer. She was suspended from casework reports while the agency investigated. Gooden continued to testify in three trials, including Diamond's, about other samples without informing prosecutors or the defense about her suspension, the court found.

[Out of 'abundance of caution' Jefferson Parish crime lab to retest DNA evidence in 20-plus cases](#)

The filings explain that observers determined the problem was confined to a single technician, who was removed from casework to receive additional retraining and competency testing before being reinstated.

[Glendale crime lab receives federal funding to help process evidence faster](#)

Secured by Rep. Adam Schiff (D-Burbank) through a program administered by the U.S. Department of Justice, the money will go toward hiring additional part-time lab personnel to help process DNA samples and increase capacity at the lab.

[Construction begins on new Oregon crime lab in Pendleton](#)

The state Forensic Services Division operates labs in Bend, Central Point, Pendleton, Portland and Springfield. State Police started planning for a new facility in Pendleton in 2014, but the project faced pushback in the state Legislature over budget concerns.

[Mena Police Department to receive Computer Forensics Training](#)

The Mena Police Department will soon be stepping up its game in the computer crimes arena. Mena patrolman Steven Stout received an invitation to attend an intensive five week training course at the National Computer Forensics Institute (NCFI) in Hoover, Alabama later this fall, an experience he will return from with vital new skills. Notably, the NCFI in Hoover is the location where United States Secret Service and State Police departments from all over the country receive their computer forensics training as well.

[SJC will decide how to reimburse Dookhan, Farak defendants](#)

People convicted of drug crimes involving evidence tainted by two rogue chemists in Massachusetts can expect to get back the fines and fees that they paid.

[A Man Serving a 50-Year Sentence for a Sex Crime Conviction Has Been Exonerated After the Discovery of a Missing Dog](#)

Hummel told the court Monday he's not certain that Horner did not sexually abuse the complainant, but that he's now not convinced he did. The Associated Press is not naming her because it doesn't identify alleged victims of sexual abuse.

[Des Moines using machine to speed gun crime investigations](#)

Department Chief Dana Wingert says it can take months for the state crime lab to return testing results. His detectives now hope to get their own results in 24 to 48 hours - a key time frame when investigating gun crimes.

[Brad Schimel: Wisconsin Sexual Assault Kit Backlog Is Gone](#)

"We've seen increases in the volume of evidence submissions to the crime lab and we recognize that we've made some changes to try and keep up, but we recognize that we've got to add some staff to the team," Schimel said.

[Marion man's written confession to killing ex-girlfriend found at crime scene, investigators says](#)

An investigator testified Tuesday he recovered a torn up, signed confession by Gregory Davis where he said he stabbed his ex-girlfriend in a vicious attack when he was on drugs and believed he was possessed by the devil.