



Interpreting Results from the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS)



Suspect CODIS hit:

Perpetrator DNA in a case hits to the DNA profile of a convicted offender or arrestee, identity is known

Case-to-case CODIS hit:

Perpetrator DNA in one case hits to perpetrator DNA in another case, identity is unknown

DNA positive CODIS eligible:

Perpetrator DNA entered into CODIS with no hits to any DNA at that time

DNA positive, CODIS ineligible:

CODIS eligibility requirements not met, e.g., weak DNA results

Screening and DNA negative cases:

No biological material detected, e.g., semen not detected in kit, or DNA testing failed to yield DNA results