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A. PURPOSE:

To complete case paperwork and write a report of examination and results.

B. RESPONSIBILITY:

Forensic Science Examiners from the Connecticut State Forensic Science Laboratory who have been trained in case completion and writing of reports according to SOP-FB-31 (Training Manual) and SOP-GL-4 (LIMS/Justice Trax).

C. <u>DEFINITIONS</u>:

LIMS: Laboratory Information Management System

D. PROCEDURE:

- 1. A secure and password protected LIMS computer system is used in accordance with SOP-GL-5 (Ethics).
- 2. Mark any paperwork in the case jacket with the Laboratory Identification number (when necessary) and the Analyst's initials, typically in the upper right hand corner.
- 3. Place the completed Quality Record Worksheets in the labeled case jacket.
- 4. Place the completed General Reagent Sheet (FBQR-09) in the case jacket, if reagents are used.
- 5. If further examination is required, print the appropriate LIMS Evidence Transfer Receipt and/or fill out the Request for Examination Sheet (FBQR-10).
- 6. For cases in which a Forensic Biology report is issued, follow the instructions below. (Forensic Biology reports may not be issued in cases examined under Case Management Work Instruction-01 or those with only a Biology Knowns request.)
- 7. Place any additional paperwork in the case jacket.:
 - a. Casework Checklist Review Sheet (FBQR-12)
 - b. Evidence Receipt
 - c. FBOR-10
 - d. Conversation/Message Forms
 - e. LIMS Evidence Transfer Receipt
 - f. Other

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- D. 8. Generate a report through the LIMS computer system according to SOP-GL-4 (LIMS/Justice Trax).
 - a. Include the following:
 - aa. List of evidence with Laboratory submission numbers, include submitting agency item numbers if available
 - bb. Examination method
 - cc. Evidence description
 - dd. Results of examination/test(s)
 - ee. Disposition of sample
 - ff. Disposition of evidence
 - gg. Report statements (see below)
 - hh. The signatures of the *Analyst* and *Technical Reviewer*, located above these designations
 - ii. The *Analyst's* and *Technical Reviewer's* names and titles
 - b. Maintain the draft report and a copy of the final report in the case jacket.
 - c. If samples are being forwarded to another section for further examination, forward the appropriate paperwork.
 - d. Supplemental Reports (additional evidence) and Revised Reports (corrections) will be identified within the report header. A letter will accompany the Revised Report referencing the original report.
 - 9. All paperwork in the case jacket and the report are reviewed by the Technical Reviewer and Administrative Reviewer (a Supervisor of the Forensic Biology Section or designee).
 - 10. The Technical and Administrative Reviewers will check off, date and initial the Casework Checklist Review Sheet (FBQR-12). The duties of the Technical and Administrative Reviewers are specified on this quality record.
 - 11. The Analyst and the Technical Reviewer will complete the LIMS computer system milestones according to SOP-GL-4 (LIMS/Justice Trax) once the case review has been completed.
 - 12. If requesting a known sample from the suspect in the report, send copies of the report and the Request for Examination of Physical Evidence form to the appropriate State's Attorney Office.
 - 13. The following are suggested report statements:
 - [] = appropriate description
 - a. **Supplemental Report**
 - For a complete list of evidence examined and results obtained, please refer to the Forensic Biology Report dated [].

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b. Examination method

- All examinations were conducted macroscopically unless otherwise noted.
- Serological results reflect the analysis of a portion of the sample tested.

D. 13. c. General Description

- Submission/item # [] consisted of one (1)/a Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit containing the above-/previously listed items.
- Submission/item # [] consisted of one (1)/a [].

d. **Blood**

- aa. Known Blood Sample
 - A stain was made from a portion of item #1A (known blood sample).

bb. Kastle-Meyer/o-Tolidine

- [] gave a positive result(s) with a color screening test(s) for the presence of blood.
- A color screening test(s) for the presence of blood was/were performed on []. Blood was not detected with this/these test(s).
- A color screening test(s) for the presence of blood was/were performed on []. No distinguishable color change(s) was/were observed. Therefore, this/these test(s) was/were determined to be inconclusive.
- No blood-like stains were noted on [].

cc. RSID-Blood/ABAcard HemaTrace

- [] gave a positive result(s) with an immunological test(s) for the presence of human glycophorin A/human hemoglobin, a component(s) of human blood.
- An immunological test(s) for the presence of human glycophorin A/human hemoglobin, a component(s) of human blood, was/were performed on []. Human blood was not detected with this/these test(s).

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• An immunological test(s) for the presence of human glycophorin A/human hemoglobin, a component(s) of human blood, was/were performed on []. No distinguishable immunological reaction(s) was/were observed. Therefore, this/these test(s) was/were determined to be inconclusive.

dd. Takayama

- [] tested gave a positive result(s) with a microcrystal test for the presence of blood.
- A microcrystal test for the presence of blood was performed on []. Blood was not detected with this test.

D. 13. d. dd.

• A microcrystal test for the presence of blood was performed on []. No distinguishable crystals were identified upon microscopical examination. Therefore, this test was determined to be inconclusive.

ee. <u>Ouchterlony</u>

- [] gave a positive(s) result with an immunological species test utilizing anti-[] antiserum.
- An immunological species test utilizing anti-[] antiserum was performed on []. Biological material of [] origin was not detected with this test.
- An immunological species test utilizing anti-[] antiserum was performed on []. No distinguishable immunological reaction was observed. Therefore, this test was determined to be inconclusive.

ff. Red blood cells

- Red blood cells were identified upon microscopical examination of [].
- Red blood cells were not identified upon preliminary microscopical examination of [].

e. Semen

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aa. Spermatozoa

Kit/Extract Smears

- Spermatozoa were identified upon microscopical examination of [].
- Spermatozoa were not identified upon microscopical examination of [].
- The head portion of one (1) spermatozoon was identified upon microscopical examination of [].

AP smears

- Spermatozoa were identified upon microscopical examination of a sample/portion of [].
- The head portion of one (1) spermatozoon was identified upon microscopical examination of a sample/portion of [].

D. 13. e. bb. Acid Phosphatase

- [] (each) consisted of [#] swabs. These swabs gave positive results when tested for the presence of acid phosphatase, a color screening test for semen. One (1) swab/a portion of one (1) swab from [] was extracted.
- [] gave positive result(s) when tested for the presence of acid phosphatase, a color screening test for semen. [] from [] was extracted.
- [] was/were tested for the presence of acid phosphatase, a color screening test for semen. Acid phosphatase was not detected with this test.
- [] was/were tested for the presence of acid phosphatase, a color screening test for semen. No distinguishable color change was observed. Therefore, this test was determined to be inconclusive. [] from [] was extracted.
- If an AP swab was used to make a smear, eliminate the 'extracted' statement.

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cc. ABAcard p30

• This/these extract(s) gave a positive result(s) with an immunological test for the presence of p30, a component of semen.

- An immunological test for the presence of p30, a component of semen, was performed on this/these extract(s). Semen was not detected with this test.
- An immunological test for the presence of p30, a component of semen, was performed on this/these extract(s). No distinguishable immunological reaction was observed. Therefore, this test was determined to be inconclusive.

f. Amylase

- [] gave a positive result(s) with a color screening test for the presence of amylase, a component of saliva.
- A color screening test for the presence of amylase, a component of saliva, was performed on []. Saliva was not detected with this test.
- A color screening test for the presence of amylase, a component of saliva, was performed on []. No distinguishable color change was observed. Therefore, this test was determined to be inconclusive.

D. 13 g. **RSID-Urine**

- [] gave a positive result(s) with an immunological test for the presence of Tamm-Horsfall protein, a component of urine.
- An immunological test for the presence of Tamm-Horsfall protein, a component of urine, was performed on []. Urine was not detected with this test.
- An immunological test for the presence of Tamm-Horsfall protein, a component of urine, was performed on []. No distinguishable immunological reaction was observed.
 Therefore, this test was determined to be inconclusive.

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h. Urobilinogen

• [] gave a positive result(s) with a color screening test for the presence of urobilinogen, a component of feces.

- A color screening test for the presence of urobilinogen, a component of feces, was performed on []. Feces were not detected with this test.
- A color screening test for the presence of urobilinogen, a component of feces, was performed on []. No distinguishable color change was observed. Therefore, this test was determined to be inconclusive.

i. "Touch" DNA

• A sample(s) was/were collected from [] of this/these [] for DNA analysis.

j. Trace Material

- Trace material(s) was/were collected/removed from [].
- Trace material(s) was/were noted on/in []
- No trace material(s) was/were noted on/in [].

k. **Tissue-like Material**

- Tissue-like material(s) was/were located on [].
- Tissue-like material(s) was/were located upon/during microscopical examination of [].
- No tissue-like material(s) was/were noted on [].
- No tissue-like material(s) was/were noted upon/during microscopical examination of [].

1. **Physical Match**

• [] was found to physically fit to [], therefore, they were once part of the same item.

D. 13. m. Consumption

• Since analysis may consume this/these sample(s), no further serological testing was conducted at this time.

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n. **Not Examined At This Time**

• Submission(s)/item(s) # [] were not examined at this time.

o. **Retain**

• A sample(s) from submission(s)/item(s) # [] was/were retained at the Laboratory.

p. Forward/Transfer Samples

- A sample(s) from submission(s)/item(s) # [] was/were forwarded/transferred to the [] Section for further analysis/examination.
- Submission(s)/item(s) #[] was/were forwarded/transferred to the [] Section for further analysis/examination.

q. No suspect

• If a suspect is developed in this case, please notify the Supervisor of the DNA Section as soon as possible.

r. Requests for known samples from victim/suspect

- Since no known hair samples were submitted from the victim/suspect, no hair examinations were conducted at this time.
- Known hair samples are requested from the victim/suspect for hair comparison purposes.
- A known biological sample is requested from the victim/suspect for comparison purposes.

s. **Disposition of evidence**

• Submission(s)/Item(s) #[] will be returned to the (appropriate) Submitting Agency.

t. Further Analysis

• *Further analysis upon request

The following statement is to be included at the end of each report:

This report reflects the test results, conclusions, interpretations and/or findings of the Analyst

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and Technical Reviewer as indicated by their signatures below.

E. <u>REFERENCES</u>:

- 1. SOP-GL-4 (LIMS/Justice Trax).
- 2. SOP-GL-5 (Ethics).
- 3. SOP-GL-18 (Case Reviews)
- 4. Case Management Work Instruction-01

