

### **Priority Action Report**

### Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Subcommittee

Physics\Pattern Scientific Area Committee

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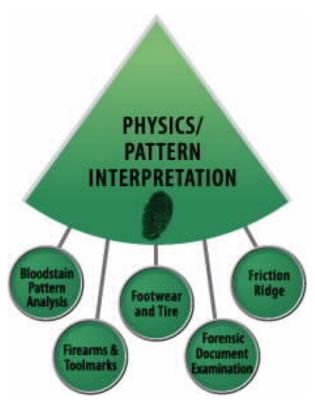
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### **Bloodstain Pattern Analysis**



The Bloodstain Pattern Analysis
 Subcommittee will focus on standards
 and guidelines related to the scientific
 detection and analysis of bloodstain
 patterns present at crime scenes and on
 associated evidence.





## BPA SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP & AFFILIATES



- All members are limited to 2 consecutive terms. After which they must step away for 1 year\*.
- The 1<sup>st</sup> cycle of appointments to fill positions occupied by term limited members is in 2019.
- To become an OSAC member, you must complete an OSAC application at <a href="https://www.nist.gov/forensics/osac-application.cfm">https://www.nist.gov/forensics/osac-application.cfm</a>.
- The BPA Subcommittee currently has 50+ BPA experts that have volunteered to be affiliates. They represent 6 countries, public, private, academia, law enforcement, crime scene investigations, crime laboratory, and judicial sectors.







### **Subcommittee Leadership**

Position	Name	Organization	Term	Email
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<b>Executive Secretary</b>	Holly Latham	Kansas Bureau of Investigation	2019	bloodstainanalyst@live.





### **Subcommittee Members**



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17	Kevin Winer	Kansas City Police Department	2021	kevin.winer@kcpd.org	

#### **Past Subcommittee Members**



#	Name	Organization	Served	
1	Almon Brown	S.C. Law Enforcement Division (SELD)	2014-2016	
2	Kim Clements, MSFS	D.C. Consolidated Forensic Laboratory	2014-2018	
2	Peter De Forest, DCrim	Retired Professor/Consultant	2014-2017	
3	James O. Pex, MS	International Forensic Experts, LLC	2014-2016	
4	Ralph R. Ristenbatt, III	The Pennsylvania State University	2014-2016	
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### **AAFS Standards Board (ASB)**



The OSAC BPA Subcommittee is using the AAFS Standards Board (ASB) as the Standards Development Organization (SDO) for completed documents. The ASB has three types of documents.

- Standards (S)
- Technical Report (TR)
- Best Practice Recommendations (BPR)





# DOCUMENTS CURRENTLY AT THE ASB



- Standard for Validation of Procedures in Bloodstain Pattern Analysis (S)
- Standards for a Bloodstain Pattern Analyst's Training Program (S)
- Standards for a Quality Assurance Program in Bloodstain Pattern Analysis (S)





# DOCUMENTS PUBLISHED BY THE ASB



- ASB Technical Report 033, First Edition 2017: Terms and Definitions in Bloodstain Pattern Analysis (TR)
- Completed and awaiting publication:
- Guidelines for Report Writing in Bloodstain Pattern Analysis (BPR)





### **Terminology Task Group**



- Methodology for the classification of bloodstain patterns (Taxonomy): Nearing 1<sup>st</sup> draft completion for discussion by the SC
- Conclusion statements for BPA reconstructions:
   Work in progress

**Task Group Name:** Terminology

**Task Group Chair Name:** Jeremiah Morris **Task Group Chair Contact Information:** 

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### Reports and Validation Task Group



 Methodology for performing bloodstain pattern analysis: Nearing 1<sup>st</sup> draft completion for discussion by the SC

Task Group Name: Reports and Validation

**Task Group Chair Name:** Tom Griffin **Task Group Chair Contact Information:** 

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### **Training and Education Task Group**



 Certification criteria for a bloodstain pattern analyst: Nearing 1<sup>st</sup> draft completion for discussion by the SC

Task Group Name: Training and Education
Task Group Chair Name: Kenneth Martin
Task Group Chair Contact Information:

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### Quality Assurance and Standard Operating Procedure Task Group



- Standard operating procedures for a bloodstain analysis program: Ready for release to the PSAC
- Proficiency testing criteria for a bloodstain pattern analyst: Nearing 1<sup>st</sup> draft completion for discussion by the SC
- Standards for technical review of BPA reports:
   Work in progress

Task Group Name: QA and SOP

**Task Group Chair Name:** LeeAnn Singley **Task Group Chair Contact Information:** 

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### Research Task Group



- BPA Research needs: On going
- BPA Foundations document: Released to PSAC
- BPA Process Map: Nearing completion
- OSAC BPA road map and gap analysis: Nearing completion
- BPA Bibliography: Updated through December 2017

Task Group Name: BPA Research

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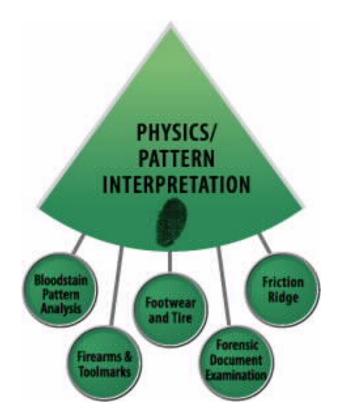
 https://www.nist.gov/topics/forensicscience/bloodstain-pattern-analysissubcommittee

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#### Questions?



