



Priority Action Report

Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Subcommittee

Physics\Pattern Scientific Area Committee

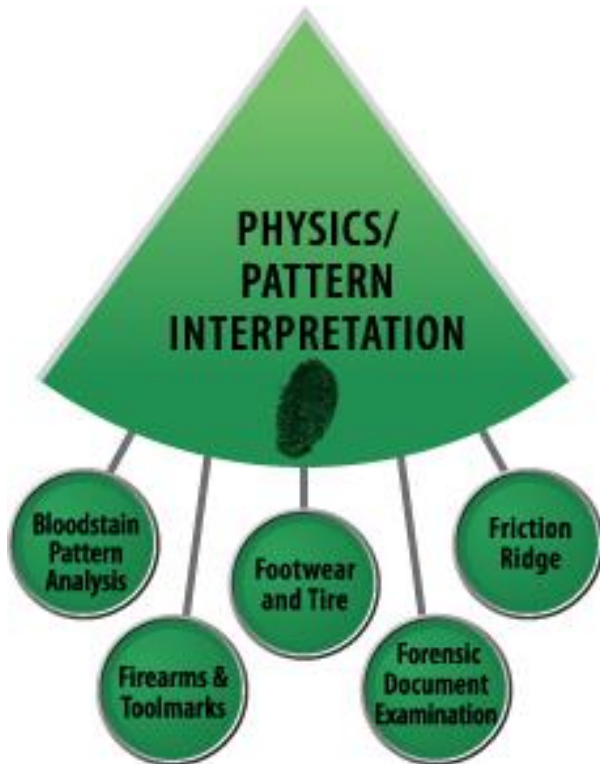
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Bloodstain Pattern Analysis



- 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 1st 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 <https://www.nist.gov/forensics/osac-application.cfm>.
- 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

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Subcommittee Members



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#	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 Academy 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)
- Guidelines for Report Writing in Bloodstain Pattern Analysis (BPR)
- 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)



Terminology Task Group

- Methodology for the classification of bloodstain patterns (Taxonomy): Nearing 1st 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

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Reports and Validation Task Group

- Methodology for performing bloodstain pattern analysis: Nearing 1st draft completion for discussion by the SC

Task Group Name: Reports and Validation
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Training and Education Task Group



- Certification criteria for a bloodstain pattern analyst: Nearing 1st draft completion for discussion by the SC

Task Group Name: Training and Education
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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 1st 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

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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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OSAC BPA SUBCOMMITTEE WEBSITE

- <https://www.nist.gov/topics/forensic-science/bloodstain-pattern-analysis-subcommittee>

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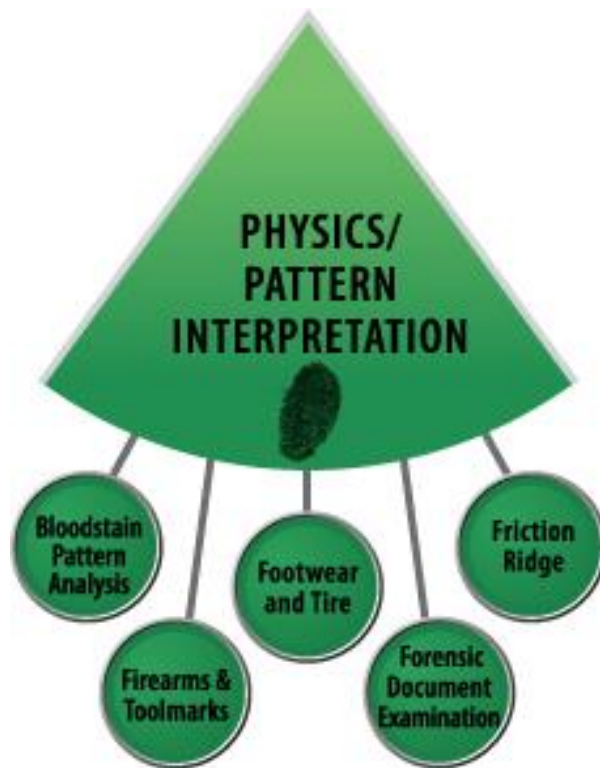
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Questions?