

Overview of December 2012 Activities

January 4, 2013

The Los Angeles Police Department Serology/DNA Unit (SDU) is responsible for the analysis of biological evidence on all types of evidence and cases. This report represents the efforts of the SDU as it relates to the analysis of sexual assault evidence kits (SAEKs).

The December 2012 progress report indicates 256 SAEKs are either undergoing analysis or pending a request for analysis to Robbery-Homicide Division (RHD). Of these, 232 kits are undergoing analysis using either internal resources (197) or through outsourcing (35) to a contract laboratory. The remaining 24 cases are pending the submission of a request for analysis; none involve a kit booked into evidence more than 30 days ago.

During the first week of December, the personnel assigned to the Male Screen Detail (MSD) of SDU implemented the High Throughput Male DNA Screening program, which was first discussed in the August 2012 Monthly DNA report. The program will lead to all SAEKs being examined in-house. Although the SDU anticipates that this program will ensure completion of all SAEKs within 90 days of the request date, the analysis turnaround times will not be fully reflected until the February 2013 DNA Monthly report.

Sexual Assault Evidence Kit (SAEK)
Progress Report: December 31, 2012

Category	2011 YTD	2011 December	2012 YTD	2012 December
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SAEK RECEIVED

Total SAEK, Analysis In-Process or Pending a Request for Serology/DNA Analysis (RSDA)	N/A	503	N/A	256
Total SAEK, Booked by LAPD	1259	103	1263	77

PENDING ANALYSIS REQUEST

Total SAEK-RSDA Pending			N/A	24
Total SAEK-RSDA Pending, ≥ 30 Days from Booking			41	0

ANALYSIS IN-PROCESS

Total SAEK-Analysis Pending Completion – ALL			N/A	232
Analysis Pending Completion – Internal			N/A	197
Analysis Pending Completion – Outsource	N/A	63	N/A	35

Internal Analysis Initiated – Internal			1,324	67
Analysis Contracted Out – Outsource	936	63	672	33

Total No. of Days SAEK in Analysis since Request for Serology/DNA Analysis (RSDA)				
Total Backlog: ≥ 90 Days			N/A	40
≥ 120 Days			N/A	0
≥ 150 Days			N/A	0
≥ 180 Days			N/A	0

ANALYSIS COMPLETE

Total SAEK Analysis Completed - ALL	1,476*	34*	1,551	95
SAEK Analysis Complete - Internal	138	27	647	73
SAEK Analysis Complete - Outsource	1,338*	7*	904	22
SAEK Unsuitable for Testing (Cat 4, Suspect Kit, Etc.)	217	0	214	10

SAEK TESTING RESULTS

DNA Profiles Uploaded to CODIS	907	154	918	74
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Total CODIS Hits	646	6	273	0
CODIS Hits – Case to Offender	633	6	258	0
CODIS Hits – Case To Case	13	0	15	0

Notes:

Shaded areas were not tabulated, as data was not available from previous year.

* SAEK in 2011 were tabulated as complete, based on a sub-contractor analysis report.