



**Ohio Attorney General's Office
Bureau of Criminal Investigation
Investigative Report**



2024-1780

Officer Involved Critical Incident - [REDACTED]
Youngstown, Ohio

Investigative Activity: BCI DNA Laboratory reports
Involves: Mathue O'Malley (S)
Activity Date: 08/12/2024
Activity Location: BCI Richfield
Authoring Agent: SA Jon Lieber #50

Narrative:

On Monday, August 12, 2024, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Jon Lieber (Lieber) received Ohio BCI Laboratory report(s) for items of evidence submitted on June 13, 2024, and July 22, 2024, for scientific analysis (laboratory case number 24-34397). The report originated from the DNA section of the laboratory and was authored by Forensic Scientist Melissa Zielaskiewicz. The items relevant to this report which had previously been submitted were as follows:

1. Firearm (subject's) Taurus G3C, serial #ADC134241 with magazine and cartridges (Matrix #037, Lab #28, CS #031)
2. Swab of trigger (Lab #28.1)
3. Swab of grip (Lab #28.2)
4. Swab of back slide (Lab#28.3)
5. Swab of buttons (Lab #28.4)
6. Swab of front sight (Lab #28.5)
7. Swab of base of magazine (Lab #28.6)
8. Swab of body of magazine (Lab #28.7)
9. Swab of cartridges (Lab #28.8)
10. DNA standard from Mathue O'Malley (Lab #29, Matrix #039)

SA Lieber reviewed the laboratory report and noted the following:

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28.1 Swab of trigger	The DNA profile is not of sufficient quality for comparison due to insufficient data.
28.2 Swab of grip	The DNA profile is not of sufficient quality for comparison due to the number of contributors.
28.3 Swab of back slide	<p>Mixture (2 major contributors) Major – consistent with contributions from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mathue O'Malley – The estimated proportion of the population that cannot be excluded as possible major contributors to the mixture of DNA profiles is 1 in 20,000,000^ unrelated individuals. • Unknown - sufficient for comparison <p>The remainder of this mixture contains DNA that is not of sufficient quality for comparison to a standard from any individual.</p>

No DNA analysis was performed on laboratory items 28.4 – 28.8.

A copy of the Ohio BCI Laboratory reports is attached to this investigative report. Please refer to the attachments for further details.

References:

None

Attachments:

1. 2024-07-22 BCI DNA Laboratory report
2. 2024-08-12 BCI DNA Laboratory report 2

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**Laboratory Report
DNA**

To: Ohio Attorney General's Office BCI Laboratory Number: 24-34397
 SA Jon Lieber
 30 E. Broad Street Analysis Date: Issue Date:
 Columbus, OH 43215 June 17, 2024 July 16, 2024
 Agency Case Number: 2024-1780
 BCI Agent: Jon Lieber

Offense: Shooting Involving an Officer
 Subject(s):
 Victim(s):

Submitted on June 13, 2024 by Betsy Farris

28. One box containing firearm (subject's) serial #ADC134241 with magazine and cartridges

Item	Conclusions
28 Firearm (subject's) serial #ADC134241 with magazine and cartridges	
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28.3 Swab of back slide	Mixture (2 major contributors) Major – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unknown male – sufficient for comparison • Unknown – sufficient for comparison The remainder of this mixture contains DNA that is not of sufficient quality for comparison to a standard from any individual.
28.4 Swab of buttons	No DNA analysis
28.5 Swab of front sight	No DNA analysis
28.6 Swab of base of magazine	No DNA analysis
28.7 Swab of body of magazine	No DNA analysis
28.8 Swab of cartridges (4)	No DNA analysis

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Remarks

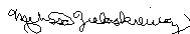
Item 28.1, Item 28.2 and Item 28.3 were consumed during analysis. Additional sample from the other items is available should independent analysis be requested. All remaining items will be returned to the submitting agency. The remaining DNA extracts will be retained by the laboratory.

The forensic DNA profiles developed were not suitable for CODIS entry.

DNA comparisons can be made upon submission of a reference standard consisting of two oral swabs from Mathue O'Malley.

Analytical Detail

DNA profiling was performed using PCR with the GlobalFiler® STR kit on samples from Item 28.



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Submitted on June 13, 2024 by Betsy Farris

28. One box containing firearm (subject's) serial #ADC134241 with magazine and cartridges

Submitted on July 22, 2024 by Betsy Farris

29. One manila envelope containing DNA standard from Mathue O'Malley

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Item	Conclusions
28.8 Swab of cartridges (4)	No DNA analysis
29 DNA standard from Mathue O'Malley	Profile used for comparison purposes

^ Based on the national database provided by the National Institute of Standards and Technology

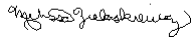
Remarks

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The eligible DNA profile (Item 29) has been entered into the CODIS database in accordance with state and national regulations, where regular searches will be performed. If investigative information becomes available or a profile is removed from CODIS, your agency will be notified.

Analytical Detail

DNA profiling was performed using PCR with the GlobalFiler® STR kit on a sample from Item 29. This report is inclusive of results for all samples previously analyzed in the report issued July 16, 2024.



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