



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



2025-0512

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 294 Ira Avenue, Akron,  
OH 44301, Summit County

**Investigative Activity:** BCI DNA Laboratory report  
**Involves:** Marcus Smith (S)  
**Activity Date:** 03/25/2025  
**Activity Location:** BCI Richfield  
**Authoring Agent:** SA Jonathan Lieber

**Narrative:**

On Tuesday, March 25, 2025, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Jon Lieber (Lieber) received Ohio BCI Laboratory report(s) for items of evidence submitted on February 25, 2025 for scientific analysis (laboratory case number 25-31337). The report originated from the DNA section of the laboratory and was authored by Forensic Scientist Lindsey Deetz. The items relevant to this report which had previously been submitted were as follows:

1. Firearm - Colt Detective Special handgun serial #829191, Lab #09 (CSU & Matrix #010)
2. DNA blood standard card from Marcus Smith (Marcus), Lab #22 (Matrix #029)

SA Lieber reviewed the laboratory report and noted the following:

A swab from the grip (Lab #9.2) of the firearm contained the DNA profile of an unknown male. During the February 17, 2025, interview of John Smith (John), father of Marcus Smith, John stated that he noticed that his .38 caliber revolver that he kept under his bed pillow was missing. John noticed that the firearm was missing at the same time that Marcus took John's vehicle. Please refer to the report titled **2025-02-17: Interview with John Smith Jr. - Father of Marcus Smith** for additional information.

A swab of the cylinder and textured buttons/levers (Lab #9.3) of the firearm contained a major DNA profile consistent with Marcus Smith with an estimated frequency of occurrence of rarer than 1 in 1 trillion unrelated individuals.

Other areas of the firearm were swabbed but the resulting DNA profiles were not of sufficient quality for comparison.

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

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**References:**

None

**Attachments:**

1. 2025-03-25 BCI DNA Laboratory report 25-31337

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## Bureau of Criminal Investigation

## Laboratory Report DNA

To: BCI / Richfield      BCI Laboratory Number: 25-31337  
Jon Lieber  
4055 Highlander Parkway  
Richfield, OH 44286      Analysis Date: February 26, 2025      Issue Date: March 13, 2025  
  
Offense: Shooting Involving an Officer      Agency Case Number: 2025-0512  
Subject(s):      BCI Agent: Laurna McClintonck  
Victim(s):

### Submitted on February 25, 2025 by Betsy Farris

9. One cardboard box containing firearm (CSU Matrix #10) (Serial #829191) with cartridges recovered from the scene
22. Envelope containing DNA blood standard card from Marcus Leonard Smith (Martrix #29)

Item	Conclusions
9 Firearm (CSU Matrix #10) (Serial #829191) with cartridges recovered from the scene	
9.1 Swab of trigger/interior of trigger guard	The DNA profile is not of sufficient quality for comparison due to insufficient data.
9.2 Swab of grip	Mixture (1 major contributor) Major: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Unknown male - sufficient for comparison.</li></ul> Marcus Smith – not the major contributor The remainder of this mixture contains DNA that is not of sufficient quality for comparison to a standard from any individual.
9.3 Swab of cylinder and textured buttons/levers	Mixture (1 major contributor) Major – consistent with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Marcus Smith – The estimated frequency of occurrence of the major DNA profile is rarer than 1 in 1 trillion<sup>^</sup> unrelated individuals.</li></ul> The remainder of this mixture contains DNA that is not of sufficient quality for comparison to a standard from any individual.

Please address inquiries to the office indicated, using the BCI case number.

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9.4 Swab of front sight area/barrel	The DNA profile is not of sufficient quality for comparison due to insufficient data.
9.5 Swab of cartridges	The DNA profile is not of sufficient quality for comparison due to insufficient data.
9.6 Swab of .38 cal cartridge cases (5 total)	The DNA profile is not of sufficient quality for comparison due to insufficient data.
22 DNA standard card from Marcus Leonard Smith	
22.1 DNA standard card from Marcus Leonard Smith	Profile used for comparison purposes

<sup>^</sup> Based on the national database provided by the National Institute of Standards and Technology

### **Remarks**

Item 9.1, Item 9.2, Item 9.3, Item 9.4, Item 9.5 and Item 9.6 were consumed during analysis. Additional sample from Item 22 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 eligible DNA profile (Item 22.1) 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.

Additional DNA comparisons can be made upon submission of a reference standard consisting of two oral swabs from any additional individuals.

### **Analytical Detail**

DNA profiling was performed using PCR with the GlobalFiler® STR kit on samples from Item 9 and Item 22.



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Based on visual examination and scientific analyses performed, this report contains opinions and interpretations by the analyst whose signature appears above. Examination documentation and any demonstrative data supporting laboratory conclusions are maintained by BCI and will be made available for review upon request. Results relate only to the items tested.

Your feedback is important to us! Please complete our Laboratory Satisfaction Survey at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Q9VQHLS>

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**Education**

- Bachelor of Science in Forensic Biology. November 2010. Ohio Northern University. Ada, Ohio

**Professional Experience**

- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Forensic Scientist. 2011-present
- Omega Laboratories. Laboratory Technician. May 2008-August 2008. June 2010-August 2010

**Required Technical Training**

- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. ArmedXpert. 2022
- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. DNA Interpretation. 2019
- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. DNA Extraction. 2017
- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Forensic Biology. 2011

*A complete CV can be made available upon request*

*Updated: 03/28/24*