

Bode 2021

#PreventTomorrowsVictim

MAY 4-5, 2021



Unique and Interactive Program

Bode has created a virtual environment that allows our attendees, speakers, and sponsors to engage and share ideas.

Live Question and Answer Sessions

All presentation sessions are 1-hour with an estimated 45 minutes of presentation content, followed by a moderated question and answer session. [All content will be available on demand for 90 days after the conference.](#)

Continue the Conversation

Upon the completion of each talk, our presenters and attendees will be encouraged to visit the Networking Lounge and/or the Exhibit Hall to continue the discussion.



CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Tuesday, May 4, 2021
BYOB with Exhibitors (Bring Your Own Breakfast)
8:00am – 8:30am

8:30am – 9:30am

KEYNOTE SESSION:

A Mother's Mission - Jayann Sepich

Jayann Sepich, founder of dnasaves.org, has become a world-renowned voice for the expansion of DNA testing in memory of her daughter Katie.

Katie's Law, also known as the Katie Sepich Enhanced DNA Collection Act of 2010, is a federal law to provide funding to states to implement minimum and enhanced DNA collection processes for felony arrests. The bill is named after Katie Sepich, who was brutally attacked outside of her New Mexico home in August 2003.

Jayann joins us to tell her story and the importance DNA technology has in **Preventing Tomorrow's Victim**.



9:30am – 10:00am: "Continue the Conversation" & Exhibitor Break

Live Discussion in the Networking Lounge

10:00am – 11:00am

The Expanding DNA Tool Box: Emergence of Rapid DNA and Expanding DNA Databases

Fred Harran, Director of Public Safety, Bensalem Township Police Department

Ryan Gallagher, Criminalistics Unit Manager, Philadelphia Police Department

11:00am – 11:30am: "Continue the Conversation" & Exhibitor Break

Live Discussion in the Networking Lounge

11:30am – 12:30pm

The Pending Crisis of Partially Tested Sexual Assault Kits

Dr. Patricia Melton, Research Forensic Scientist, Co-Director SAKI TTA, RTI International

Sgt. Darrell Price, Cold Case Unit, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department

12:30pm – 1:00pm "Continue the Conversation" & Networking Break

Live Discussion in the Networking Lounge

1:00pm – 2:00pm

Sexual Assault Kit Testing: Backlogs, Partially Tested Kits and Reducing Turnaround Times

Amy Lightfoot, Laboratory Director, Bureau of Forensic Sciences, Utah Department of Public Safety

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2:00pm – 2:30pm: “Continue the Conversation” & Exhibitor Break
Live Discussion in the Networking Lounge

2:30pm – 3:30pm

All Things Forensic Genealogy: Panel and Best Practices

Presenter/ Moderator: Teresa Vreeland, Director of Forensic Genealogy Services, Bode Technology

Panelists:

Detective Brendan McGuire, Portland Police Bureau, Cold Case Homicide Unit

Orlando Salinas, SAKI Site Coordinator, Texas Department of Public Safety

Lieutenant Trampas Gooding, Texas Department of Public Safety

Jeffery Strain, Texas Ranger, Texas Department of Public Safety

3:30pm – 4:00pm: “Continue the Conversation” & Exhibitor Break
Live Discussion in the Networking Lounge

4:00pm – 5:00pm

Lawfully Owed DNA Samples

Susan Hormann, Program Manager, SAKI Owed DNA Unit, Washington County Sheriff’s Office (Oregon)

Doug Hormann, Investigator, Owed DNA Unit, Washington County Sheriff’s Office (Oregon)

5:00pm – 5:30pm: “Continue the Conversation” & Exhibitor Break
Live Discussion in the Networking Lounge

New Technology Showcase: Presentation Launches from the Virtual Lab

Bode X-traction™ Technology: DNA from Rootless Hairs and Shell Casings

Kristen Naughton, Director of Validation, Training and QC, Bode Technology

5:30pm – 6:15pm

Preventing Child Trafficking through the Use of Rapid DNA

Dane Plaza, Director of Federal Operations, Bode Technology

6:15pm – 6:45pm: “Continue the Conversation”
Live Discussion in the Networking Lounge

**7:00pm – 8:00pm
TRIVIA NIGHT**

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Wednesday, May 5, 2021
Breakfast with Exhibitors – Sponsored by Bode
8:00am – 8:30am

Concurrent Session
8:30am – 9:30am

Preventing Tomorrow’s Victim

Julie Weil, Founder, Not Just Me Foundation

Julie Weil tells the horrifying story of how she was kidnapped and raped in front of her children, but through DNA evidence was able to put her attacker behind bars, find closure and begin to advocate for other victims.



9:30am – 10:15am: “Continue the Conversation” and
9:45am – 10:15am Technology Showcase: Presentation Launches from Promega’s Booth
How to Make Time for Yourself and Not Feel Guilty
Rohaizah James, Genetic Identity Product Manager, Promega

Breakout Session 1
10:15am – 11:15am

Breakout Presentation 1	Breakout Presentation 2	Breakout Presentation 3
<p>DNA Legislative Updates</p> <p><i>Lisa Hurst, Senior Consultant, Gordon, Thomas, Honeywell</i></p>	<p>Managing Forensic Operations in New York City at the Height of a Pandemic</p> <p><i>Craig O’Connor, DNA Technical Leader, New York Office of the Medical Examiner</i></p>	<p>OSAC Introduction and Implementation</p> <p><i>John Paul Jones, OSAC Program Manager, NIST</i></p> <p><i>Houston Forensic Science Center</i></p> <p><i>Jackeline Moral, Quality Specialist and</i></p> <p><i>Cheron Maxwell, DNA Technical Leader</i></p>

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Wednesday, May 5, 2021 (Continued)

**11:15am – 12:00pm: “Continue the Conversation” and
 11:30am - 12:00pm Technology Showcase: Presentation Launches from Thermo Fisher Scientific’s Booth**
**Validation of PrepFiler BTA and PrepFiler Automated Forensic DNA Extraction Kits on the
 ID NIMBUS Presto System**
Scott Schroeder, Sr. Product Application Specialist, Thermo Fisher Scientific

Breakout Session 2 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Breakout Presentation 4	Breakout Presentation 5	Breakout Presentation 6
<p>Addressing the Investigative Burden of Managing Cold Case Sexual Assault Investigations</p> <p><i>Samantha Gwinn, LexisNexis Risk Solutions, Public Safety Platform Manager</i></p>	<p>Estimating the Number of Contributors for Probabilistic Genotyping</p> <p><i>Shawn Montpetit, DNA Technical Manager, San Diego Police Department Crime Laboratory</i></p>	<p>The Ethical, Legal, and Social Implications of DNA Indexes</p> <p><i>Terri Rosenblatt, Supervising Attorney of the DNA Unit, Legal Aid Society</i></p> <p><i>Sarah Chu, Senior Advisor on Forensic Science Policy, Innocence Project</i></p>

**1:00pm – 1:45pm: “Continue the Conversation” and
 1:15pm – 1:45pm Technology Showcase: Presentation Launches from NicheVision Forensics’ Booth**
Latest Developments with STRmix Tools
Adam McCarthy, ESR

Breakout Session 3: Technology Showcases 1:45pm – 2:45pm

Breakout Presentation 7	Breakout Presentation 8	Breakout Presentation 9
<p>NicheVision Forensics Workshop How to Successfully Interpret Sequence-Based STR Profiles in Mixed Samples <i>Brian Young P.h.D., Chief Scientist, NicheVision Forensics, LLC</i></p> <p><i>Danny Hellwig, Laboratory Director, InterMountain Forensics</i></p>	<p>Promega Workshop Implementing a Y-Screening/ Direct to DNA Workflow – a Forensic DNA Laboratory’s Journey to Increase Quality, Efficiency and Throughput. <i>Julie Conover Sikorsky, M.S., ABC-MB, Forensic Biology Manager, Palm Beach County Sheriff’s Office</i></p>	<p>Thermo Fisher Scientific Workshop Quant Hacks: Tips to Maximize your Quantifiler™ Trio Results <i>Jill Muehling, Sr. Technical Application Specialist, Thermo Fisher Scientific</i></p> <p>Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kits: Using NaOH Extraction and Quantifiler Trio as a Y-screen to Improve Workflow at the West Virginia State Police Forensic Laboratory <i>David Miller, Forensic Scientist Supervisor, West Virginia State Police</i></p>

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**2:45pm – 3:30pm: “Continue the Conversation” and
3:00pm – 3:30pm Technology Showcase: Presentation Launches from Verogen’s Booth**
Extracting Better Outcomes from Forensic Samples
Meredith Turnbough, PhD, Forensic Genomics Specialist, Verogen

3:30pm – 4:30pm
Technical Leaders Panel: Our Biggest Challenges Facing DNA Crime Laboratories
Moderator: Kristin Sasinouski, DNA Technical Leader, Bode Technology

Panelists:
Susannah Kehl, DNA Technical Leader, FBI Laboratory
Michelle Halsing, Senior Criminalist, California Department of Justice
Christie Smith, Special Agent Forensic Scientist, Tennessee Bureau of Investigation

**4:30pm – 5:15pm: “Continue the Conversation” and
4:45pm – 5:15 pm Technology Showcase: Presentation Launches from QIAGEN’s Booth**
QIAGEN 2021: E22 and Other New Product Launches

5:15pm – 6:15pm
Bode & BPD Unidentified Remains: Unexpected Results from an Unexpected Project
Chrissy Hurley, Forensic Scientist III – DNA Analyst/CODIS Administrator, Baltimore Police Department

6:15pm – 6:45pm Networking Break

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