

FACT SHEET

Overview: Now in its 28th year, the International Symposium on Human Identification (ISHI) is the largest symposium in the world focused on DNA analysis for human identification. Experts and DNA analysts from around the globe gather to share the latest technological advances, introduce new product concepts and debate policy issues. ISHI is open to all practitioners and suppliers of DNA analysis for human identification.

Attendees: Approximately 900 scientists, DNA analysts, law enforcement, and legal and ethical experts from 40 countries. More than 130 scientific posters will be presented.

Exhibitors: More than 50 exhibitors representing the latest in DNA technology and related services.

2017 Topics:

- Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)
- Genetic Genealogy
- Pros and Cons of Familial Search
- Likelihood Ratio Application
- Expert Witness Preparation
- New Tools for Body Fluid Identification
- Forensic DNA Testing: Social, Ethical and Legal Considerations
- Mindfulness for Forensic Scientists

History: ISHI will celebrate its 28th year in 2017. The first conference was held in 1989 in Madison, Wisconsin, before the science of DNA typing was widely accepted in the legal system. Then, as now, ISHI provided an opportunity for anyone involved in DNA typing—from analysts and law enforcement professionals to industry vendors and beyond—to discuss the latest developments, standards, methods and courtroom admissibility.

Sponsor: Promega Corporation, a leading supplier of systems for genetic identification. Promega participated with the FBI and other crime labs in validating short tandem repeat (STR) loci, which were ultimately selected for the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) that is used for forensic DNA testing in North America.

Time: October 2–October 5, 2017

Location: Washington State Convention Center, 705 Pike Street Seattle, WA 98101

Headquarter Hotel: Sheraton Seattle Hotel, 1400 6th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101, United States Located within walking distance from the Washington State Convention Center and steps from Pike Place Market and the Seattle waterfront in the heart of downtown Seattle, Washington. Venue information and online reservations link: https://www.ishinews.com/venue/

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