## FORENSIC BIOLOGY PROTOCOLS FOR FORENSIC STR ANALYSIS

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CODE	DESCRIPTION	
1	Pull-ups or Pull-down of peaks in any color caused by a very high peak of another color in the same basepair range of a sample	
2	Shoulder peaks approx. 1-4 bp bigger or smaller than main peak	
3a	split peak due to "N" bands	
3b	split peak due to matrix over-subtraction	
4a	stutter in non-mixtures+	
4b	stutter preceding shoulder in a mixture++	
4c	>20% stutter w/main peak plateau in non-mixtures	
4d	peak classified as -8bp stutter <sup>++++</sup>	
4e	peak classified as -2bp artifact +++++	
5	non-specific artifact <sup>+++</sup>	
6	Labels placed on elevated baselines	
7	Spikes or peaks present in all colors in one sample	
8	Dye artifact occurring at a constant scan position	
9	peak classified as primer front; low molecular weight artifacts appearing at the very beginning of a dye color	

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>	Initial peak labels of range removed
*	Peak(s) within basepair range affected by overblown peak(s) label(s) removed****

- + This edit is applicable for stutter peaks in non-mixtures in +/-4 bp positions for both Identifiler®, MiniFiler®, Yfiler®, and in +/-3 bp positions at DYS392, +/-5 bp positions at DYS438, and +/-6 bp positions at DYS448 for Y STR systems. This edit can only be used for exemplar samples and positive controls with Fusion®.
- ++ This edit is applicable for stutter peaks preceding a shoulder in a mixture in the -4 bp position for Identifiler and the -3, -4, -5, and -6 bp positions for Y STR Systems as referenced above.
- +++ For Yfiler®, this edit is applicable for artifacts in the +/-2 bp position at DYS19.
- ++++ This edit is applicable for stutter peaks in the -8 position in non-mixtures for all Fusion® samples.
- +++++ This edit is applicable for artifact peaks in the +/-2 position in Fusion® commonly seen in some locations such as D1S1656, D13S317, D18S51, D2IS11, D7S820, D5S818, D12S391, and D19S433.
- ++++++ This edit is not applicable for Fusion®

