## FORENSIC BIOLOGY PROTOCOLS FOR FORENSIC STR ANALYSIS

Reconstitution of Evaporated Extracts		
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# **Reconstitution of Evaporated Extracts**

## 1 LIMS Pre-Processing

1.1 Samples not already present in LIMS will need to be added into the system. See <u>Creating Ad Hoc</u> <u>Samples.</u>

## 2 **Procedure**

- 2.1 Retrieve samples.
- 2.2 Retrieve and label one 1.5mL tube as a reconstitution negative.
- 2.3 **Witness Step:** Have a witness confirm the physical tube top and sample labels and the sample order against the listed samples in LIMS.
- 2.4 Using a pipette, measure the volume (if any) of liquid present in the evaporated sample(s). Log the volume.
- 2.5 Add an amount of 0.1X TE buffer necessary to bring the total volume of each sample to the required volume. Log the volume added for each sample.
- 2.6 Vortex and centrifuge each sample briefly.
- 2.7 Submit samples for quantification.

## **3** LIMS Post-Processing

- 3.1 Complete the data entry for all samples within LIMS.
- 3.2 In the data entry screen, all samples can be assigned a storage location in the next available storage box.
- 3.3 Store the extracts at  $2^{\circ}$  to  $8^{\circ}$ C, or frozen.