

Julia Burrill: Visit to Flinders University, Adelaide, South Australia

Dear ISFG Board

Due to the generosity of a grant from the ISFG, Julia was able to visit my Forensic DNA Laboratory at Flinders University from 4 February to 4 March this year. The funds provided by the ISFG support the travel. Laboratory consumables were provided as in-kind support from my laboratory.

The research into latent DNA was, and very much still is, complementary between that on-going at Flinders University and that at Kings College London. Julia and her colleagues are particularly interested in the source of DNA that builds up on skin and also the composition of the fluids on our hands. At Flinders University, we have been developing means to visualise latent DNA and therefore there were methods in common but also methods and approaches that could now be shared.

The visit was, in my opinion, highly successful and achieved many of the aims. The time was maximised and Julia completed so much of the laboratory work that was envisaged at the outset. The provision of funds to assist in these short exchanges was very gratefully received and I can report that the aims were achieved.

Yours sincerely,

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