



CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF CRIMINALISTS  
**Evidence Uncorked: Forensic Science Comes to Temecula**

2026 Seminar • Temecula Creek Inn Temecula, CA • April 26- May 1, 2026  
Hosted by the CA DOJ Riverside Criminalistics Laboratory



**FaSTR™ DNA (STRmix team):  
DNA Profile Analysis in a Validated Process for  
Efficiency and Interpretation**

**Monday, April 27, 2026**

**Objective of the workshop**

This workshop offers a fresh perspective on DNA profile analysis, focusing on enhancing efficiency, accuracy, validation, workflows, and the integration of probabilistic genotyping.

**Workshop Content**

Key topics include:

- Examining raw EPG data and the impact of peak smoothing on peak calls
- Comparing sizing variations across different analysis software
- Exploring operator tools for effective analysis
- Understanding stutter modelling and its role in interpretation and determination of the number of contributors
- Developing optimized workflows, including for technical review of DNA analysis
- Validating analysis software for reliable results

We provide live demonstrations of FaSTR™ DNA analysis software, determining the number of contributors using the decision tree, and workflow demonstration of integration with STRmix™ for interpretation.

**Instructors**

Meng-Han Lin, *The New Zealand Institute for Public Health and Forensic Science Limited - PHF Science - STRmix*

Helena Wong, *Oakland Police Department*

Veronica Kearney, *The New Zealand Institute for Public Health and Forensic Science Limited - PHF Science - STRmix & Tucson Police Department Crime Laboratory (retired)*

**Attendee Requirements**

Must be affiliated with a crime laboratory (public or private) and/or academics