



The Most Trusted Name in DNA Testing



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Introducing DNA Diagnostics Center (DDC)...

For over a decade, DNA Diagnostics Center (DDC) has been the largest provider of private DNA paternity and other DNA tests in the U.S. and worldwide. DDC currently provides comprehensive DNA testing services in three main areas: paternity and other family relationships, forensic and genetics. DDC's subsidiary, Veterinary Diagnostics Center provides innovative, quality DNA testing for companion and sport animals.

DDC was founded on the belief that the technological advancements in DNA testing should translate to services that are accessible and affordable to everyone. DDC's outstanding scientists continually refine the latest technology to provide the most accurate testing, and its business units aggressively pursue ways to make DDC's services accessible to clients all over the world.

DDC prides itself in being the leading force in the private DNA testing industry. DDC was the first to adopt robotics technology in its laboratory processes, ensuring highly stringent and efficient handling of DNA samples. DDC's unique Dual Process™, in which all DNA samples are independently tested twice, produces results of unmatched quality and reliability. Health care workers, legal professionals, and the media recognise DDC as the best resource for DNA testing. DDC's legendary client service, provided by teams of highly trained, knowledgeable, and caring staff, has made us the most referred and trusted laboratory by those who care about quality and reliability in the medical and legal field.

Find below a comprehensive list of all services

DDC UK

<http://www.dnacentre.co.uk>

DDC USA

<http://www.dnacenter.com>

DDC Veterinary Services

<http://www.vetdnacenter.com>

DDC Forensic Operations.

<http://www.forensicdnacenter.com>

DDC Ancestry Service

<http://www.dna-roots.com>



About DDC's Laboratory

DNA Diagnostics Center (DDC) is the premier laboratory for DNA paternity testing, forensic DNA testing services, and human genetics studies. A fully equipped laboratory supervised by the nations' most distinguished DNA scientists, DDC offers its clients the ultimate in DNA testing.

Quality testing using state-of-the-art equipment

With five ABI PRISM® 3100 genetic analysers and the advanced Biomek® FX and Biomek® 2000 robotics systems, our laboratory is equipped to process thousands of DNA tests daily. Our ability to process high volumes of cases enables us to give clients value-added services with faster turnaround times and affordable prices. Our robotic technology allows us to automate the liquid handling and sample preparation steps, eliminating these manual procedures that might cause sample mix-ups and cross-contamination.



Accurate results with our unique Dual Process™

An additional value that comes with DDC's DNA tests is our Dual Process™, which ensures error-free testing. All samples we receive are divided into two for independent testing by separate technical teams. They carefully record each step to ensure that samples are properly identified and tracked throughout. At the end of the process, one of our laboratory directors looks at the raw and analyzed data produced by both teams, checking to see if the results match. The Dual Process™ eliminates common laboratory mistakes and assures clients of accurate, reliable results.





Exhaustive analysis by highly experienced scientists

Each DNA testing situation is unique, and some require even more careful analysis than others. Our DNA experts have the depth of experience required to make scientifically sound judgments on every case - even those with unexpected results that arise from genetic mutations and unusual biological relationships.

When necessary, DDC scientists use our extended battery of DNA tests and our extensive population database—the largest in the private industry. These essential resources, combined with our staff’s expertise, our precision equipment, and our stringent procedures, make DDC the number one choice for DNA testing.

Laboratory Director



Dr. Baird has decades of experience in the field of DNA testing. In 1982, he was at the forefront of DNA testing as part of a team that pioneered DNA identity testing, eventually offering it on a commercial scale. In 1987, he was the first DNA expert to testify in a U.S. court case and has since testified in hundreds of court cases involving DNA and forensics. In 2007, Dr. Baird was appointed by the courts as the DNA expert in the paternity case involving Anna Nicole Smith's daughter, Dannielynn.

Dr. Baird has written and published numerous articles and manuscripts in the field of DNA technology, paternity testing, and forensics. He has appeared on several national TV shows that featured DNA testing. NBC News hired him as their on-air DNA expert during the OJ Simpson trial. He has also been interviewed on Larry King Live, Nancy Grace, Court TV, and others.

An active member of the AABB for over 20 years, Dr. Baird is the current chair of the Relationship Testing Standards Program Unit. He is in charge of rewriting the Standards for Relationship Testing Laboratories, 9th Edition, which will become effective in January 2010.



Laboratory Accreditations

ACCLASS Accreditation Services (ISO/IEC 17025)

ACCLASS is an international laboratory accreditation organization. Their rigorous inspection procedures are recognized by ILAC, APLAC, and IAAC through the signing of Multilateral Recognition Arrangements. ISO/IEC 17025 is the international standard set for ensuring the technical competency of laboratories. ISO/IEC 17025 covers every aspect of laboratory management, ranging from sample preparation to analytical testing proficiency to record keeping and reports.

Our certificate is available online:

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American Association of Blood Banks (AABB)

The AABB's Parentage Testing Accreditation program is the gold standard for DNA paternity testing laboratories. The program establishes and promotes the highest standards of testing quality and care for patients in all aspects of parentage testing. Most courts and other government agencies require DNA tests to be performed by AABB-accredited laboratories. DDC started receiving AABB accreditation in 1996 and has achieved a perfect, zero-deficiency rating in its past four consecutive inspections by the AABB.

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ASCLD/LAB-*International*

The American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors/Laboratory Accreditation Board is the most stringent accreditation program for forensic DNA laboratories. DDC is currently the only private DNA laboratory to achieve this prestigious accreditation.

Our certificate is available online:

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College of American Pathologists (CAP)

The CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program is recognized by the federal government as being equal to or more stringent than the government's own laboratory inspection program. DDC has achieved another perfect rating in its most recent CAP inspection, which examined our general laboratory procedures as well as our excellence in providing molecular diagnostics services.

CAP accreditation also requires laboratories to participate in its Proficiency Testing Program, in which CAP sends samples to the laboratories for DNA testing and evaluates the laboratories' results. Many laboratories participate in this program but do not obtain accreditation, which entails a more rigorous, on-site laboratory inspection. DDC is one of few laboratories that participate in and have perfectly passed both proficiency testing and laboratory accreditation programs.

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New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH)

The NYSDOH certification permits laboratories to perform DNA tests on cases originating from New York. NYSDOH rigorously inspects the entire testing service, including processes performed outside the lab, such as chain of custody and patient referrals. DDC is one of the few AABB-accredited laboratories that also possess the prestigious NYSDOH certification, achieving a perfect rating in its past four inspections.

Our certificate is available online:

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Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA)

The CLIA accreditation issued by the U.S. Department of Health ensures laboratory results are timely, accurate, and reliable. DDC has been accredited by CLIA for over 8 years.

Our certificate is available online:

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DDC Overview.

- World's leading DNA paternity, forensic, ancestry & animal testing laboratory
- All DNA samples adhere to analysis accreditation criteria of **both** ISO17025 & AABB.
- All DNA samples are independently tested twice. Guaranteed accurate results with our unique Dual Process™.
<http://www.dnacenter.com/science-technology/testing-lab.html>
- With five ABI PRISM® 3100 genetic analyzers and the advanced Biomek® FX and Biomek® 2000 robotics systems, our laboratory is equipped to process thousands of DNA tests daily.
- Offering full peace of mind & court approved options on all DNA relationship testing.
- Rapid results guaranteed with due date on receipt of cases received.
- Secure online database for case logging & case management.
- A dedicated team of 5 personnel based in the US laboratory that are purely focussed on handling agent matters. A team of 2 account managers in the UK that will also assist on agent matters.
- DDC work in liaison with governments, local authorities & law & immigration companies.
- **DDC's Laboratory Director, Dr. Michael Baird.** His areas of expertise include parentage testing, DNA technology, forensics, and laboratory accreditation procedures. In Jan. 2008, Dr. Baird was appointed by the AABB Board of Directors as the Chair of the Relationship Testing Standards Program Unit, and he is also currently the President of HITA, the Human Identity Trade Association.