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# Welcome

Welcome to the Crime Scene Investigation special edition of Anil Aggrawal's Internet Journal of Forensic Medicine and Toxicology.

CSI used to be the assignment that you got if you screwed up or annoyed the supervisors. It also used to be done almost exclusively by sworn police officers. In many places it still is, but more and more jurisdictions are also using civilian specialists. "CSI" is also a world wide television phenomenon, with an original program based in Las Vegas and spin off shows in Miami and New York. The crime scene work depicted bears only passing resemblance to the real thing, but millions of viewers tune in every week.

Real world CSI doesn't get nearly as much exposure, and would benefit greatly from the presentation of more case reports. There is a lot of good work being done around the world, but not much of it is ever shared with investigators from other jurisdictions. I would encourage every investigator to write up at least one case report during their career.

This Journal contains a research article on bloodstain patterns associated with knives, a case report of an unusual accidental death and an interview with Mr. Larry Ragle, the author of "Crime Scene". For more about Mr. Ragle, check his website at: http://www.crimescenetwo.com.

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