

Chemical Biological Sciences Unit (CBSU)





Mission

To develop and maintain the FBI's ability to conduct and/or direct high quality forensic examinations of hazardous chemical, biological, and radiological-nuclear (CBRN) materials, and all related evidence.



Mission Breakdown

- Establish a supporting laboratory network that provides a wide range of expertise.
- Enhance the FBI Laboratory's ability to conduct forensic examinations of hazardous evidence.
- Develop and validate methods to analyze CBRN evidence.

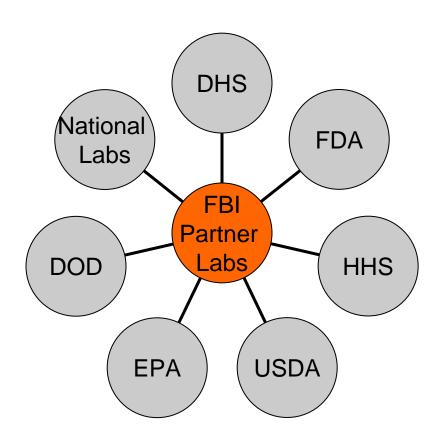


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Success Through Partnerships

 Establish dedicated forensic CBRN facilities.

• "Hub and Spoke Model".





Partner Labs

- Examinations of CBRN are conducted at different FBI Partner Laboratories (PLs) which are designed to routinely handle hazardous material.
 - Edgewood Chemical Biological Center (ECBC)
 - Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL)
 - National BioForensics Analysis Center (NBFAC)
 - Savannah River National Laboratory (SRNL)
 - Centers For Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)



National BioForensics Analysis Center (NBFAC)

- The NBFAC is the FBI's "Hub" Laboratory for any suspected bio-terrorism agent.
- The NBFAC has dedicated forensic space used by the FBI to conduct traditional forensic examinations on hazardous evidence







FBI Laboratory Hazardous Evidence Analysis Teams (HEAT)

- Forensic Examiners
 from various FBI
 Laboratory
 disciplines, train to
 conduct examinations
 of hazardous evidence.
- Trace Evidence
- Latent Fingerprints
- Questioned Documents
- Firearm and Tool marks
- Special Photography
- Chemistry
- DNA I, II
- Explosives
- Structural Design and Engineering
- Evidence Control



Hazardous Evidence Process

- Assessment
- Search and Collection
- Transport and Submission for Analysis
- Processing at Partner Labs
- Analysis and Reporting
- Adjudication



Hazardous Evidence Process

HMRT/HMRU Process Crime Scene

- Field assessments, evidence collections,
 possible first tier testing by
 LRN...(Documentation: Itemized lists and notes, FD-597, COC).
- HMRU/CBSU coordinate evidence transport to appropriate "Partner Labs" (Non-FBI).



Hazardous Evidence Process

- Request to CBSU from FBI Field Office for analysis of collected material
- Analytical lab (non-FBI) generates their Evidence Accession Log.
 - May be several partner laboratories involved, complex chains of custody.
- CBSU requests and approves analytical plans from the partner labs.
 - Triage analytical exams (HEAT examinations?)
- Partner Labs perform evidence analysis.
- Analysis reports are provided to CBSU.
- CBSU reviews and communicates reports to appropriate Field Office.
- CBSU coordinates evidence disposition upon completion of examination(s)

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