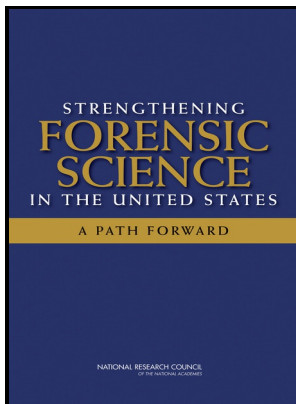


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However, regarding research evidence, rules of evidence do not tend to provide sufficient guidance to judges. There is a second way of thinking about probative value. The vast majority of police forces deliver fingerprint evidence in the first instance by way of Streamlined Forensic Reporting and the SFR 1 should by itself or in conjunction with other evidence establish the nature of the finger mark impression, its location and the identity of the person who has provided it.

Junk Science

It is a huge absence in terms of the court process. The expert should deal with all of these points in chief.

The Legal Concept of Evidence (Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy)

The FSR is independent of Government. Case laws SRI CHAND BATRA V. The Court permits trial judges to apply any and all useful factors, whether identified in Daubert or elsewhere, that will assist the tribunal in making a determination of reliability of proffered evidence as deemed appropriate in the particular case.

Science in the Courtroom

First, as we already saw in , ascertainment of the likelihood ratios is highly problematic. If an expert is instructed to prepare a report dealing with evidential issues as well as fitness the CPS will be responsible because fitness will be determined before the evidential issues. The project will recruit a slate of candidates from science and professional organizations to serve as court-appointed experts in cases in which the court has determined that traditional means of clarifying issues under the adversarial system are unlikely to yield the information that is necessary for a reasoned and principled resolution of the disputed issues.

BOOK REVIEW: Interpreting Evidence: Evaluating Forensic Science in the Courtroom (2nd edition)

Statute Section 30 of the Criminal Justice Act 1988 states that an expert's report is admissible as evidence of fact and opinion, whether or not the expert attends court to give oral evidence.

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However, regarding the second point, this is a far thornier issue.

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