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Attachment 2 at 5 ("Cap had flipped open while spinning, resulting in sample loss"). In addition,

Note: Lane data for 2098-064 from this gel was inadvertently erased from the sequencer hard drive. Therefore, it was not able to be analyzed. Samples were re-run on 4-29-99.  
CAD  
4-29-99

Attachment 2 at 6 ("Note: Lane data for 2098-064 from this gel was inadvertently erased from the sequencer hard drive. Therefore, it was not able to be analyzed. Samples were re-run on 4-29-99. CAD 4-29-99"). Again, when preparing the gels for electrophoresis, Diefenbach contaminated the

As evidenced by the right ladder, the right side of the gel did not run properly. Therefore, PS IV samples will be re-run.  
CAD  
3-30-99

Attachment 2 at 7 ("As evidenced by the right ladder, the right side of the gel did not run properly. Therefore, PS IV samples will be re-run. CAD 3-30-99"). Not surprisingly, at the end of processing this same hair sample, all the negative controls used to ensure reliability in the testing process showed a positive result:

All negative controls gave a positive result. An experiment will be done to find the source of the problem.  
CAD  
1-19-99

Attachment 2 at 13 ("All negative controls gave a positive result. An experiment will be done to find the source of the problem. CAD 1-19-99"). Diefenbach conducted an experiment to find the source of the problem and concluded that the positive results were the result of spurious contaminants:

All negatives are clean, indicating the previous results were most likely a result of a random, spurious contaminant.  
CAD  
1-20-99

Attachment 2 at 11 ("All negatives are clean, indicating the previous results were most likely a result of a random, spurious contaminants. CAD 1-20-99")

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