# From the team that brought you STRmix<sup>™</sup>

DBLR™ (database likelihood ratios) is an application designed for the rapid calculation of likelihood ratios (LRs) using STRmix<sup>™</sup> deconvolutions.

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DBLR



- AUTOMATED DIRECT MATCHING
- DIRECT MATCHING
- 5\* EXPLORE DECONVOLUTION
- MIXTURE TO MIXTURE
- COMMON DONOR
- A SEARCH DATABASE
- SETTINGS
- SHOW RESULTS FOLDER

# **FAST** DBLR<sup>m</sup> calculates millions of *LR*s in seconds.

**ACCESSIBLE** DBLR<sup>™</sup> runs on a user's PC, without the need for high-performance computing.

**ENABLING** DBLR<sup>™</sup> enables you to get more value from your DNA evidence.

# WITH DBLR<sup>™</sup> YOU WILL BE ABLE TO:

- Achieve superfast database searches.
- Visualise the value of your DNA mixture evidence.
- Undertake mixture to mixture matches.
- Determine whether there is a common donor between samples.
- Calculate any kinship relationship conceivable (now including modelling of linkage, mutation and  $F_{st}$ ).
- Assign Kinship *LR*s for single source NGS profiles.



# WHAT CAN DBLR™ DO?

- UNDERTAKE DIRECT COMPARISON of one or many components of a forensic DNA mixture to a database of known individuals (i.e. "Who contributed to the profile?").
- CARRY OUT FAMILIAL SEARCHING for a range of different relationships including siblings, half-siblings, parents, and children (i.e. "Is there a relative of the donor in the database?").
- SEARCH FOR COMMON CONTRIBUTORS between mixed DNA profiles (mixture to mixture comparisons). These LRs can be visualised using a heat map, and now include cluster graphs (New in DBLR<sup>™</sup> v1.2)
- **DETERMINE THE PROFILES** of the most likely contributors to a profile.
- VISUALISE THE VALUE of evidence by calculating expected LRs for one or many components of forensic DNA profiles for true and non-contributors using randomly generated individuals.
- MANAGE AUTOMATED SEARCHES for one or many DNA profiles against one or many databases of known individuals. Now includes direct matching between databases (New in DBLR<sup>™</sup> v1.2).
- MANAGE DATABASES of known contributors and STRmix<sup>™</sup> deconvolutions from unsolved casework for easy matching.
- COMBINE MULTIPLE EVIDENCE PROFILES under the assumption that there is a common contributor within the different samples (Common Donor).
- BUILD ANY PEDIGREE imaginable and calculate likelihood ratios given the different propositions (Kinship).
- **MODEL** linkage, mutation and  $F_{s_T}$  in the Kinship module (New in DBLR<sup>m</sup> v1.2).
- ASSIGN LRs within the Kinship module for single source profiles containing both STR and SNP loci generated using Next Generation Sequencing (NGS) technology (New in DBLR<sup>™</sup> v1.2).
- PROTECT YOUR SETTINGS with a user defined password.

**DBLR** 

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# HOW DOES DBLR<sup>™</sup> WORK?

DBLR<sup>™</sup> uses efficient algorithms for the fast calculation of LRs. With DBLR<sup>M</sup> the user can import STRmix<sup>T'</sup> deconvolutions or single source-profiles and visualise the value of the evidence or carry out fast database searches. The DBLR<sup>™</sup> Kinship function is both powerful and flexible. The user can load STRmix<sup>™</sup> deconvolutions or single-source profiles from known individuals and link these with one or more pedigrees. The Common Donor function can better resolve the genotypes of queried contributors and search these against a database to identify possible donors.

# VALIDATION

DBLR<sup>™</sup> has been extensively validated by the STRmix<sup>™</sup> team based at ESR, New Zealand.

# SPECIFICATIONS

DBLR<sup>™</sup> is designed to run standalone on an individual DNA analyst's PC. For guidance on hardware and software specifications please go to: www.strmix.com/dblr/specifications/

# CERTIFICATION

The STRmix<sup>™</sup> team's quality management system is certified to AS/NZS ISO 9001:2015 by Telarc.

# **PUBLISHED DATA**

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LRs for 1 common contributor

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		> 686	L1, K46K47K48_41	Random	78542	2.03703E+001	
		> 686	L1, K46K47K48_41	Random	112939	5.96656E+001	
		> 686	L1, K46K47K48_41	Random	156729	2.97958E+001	
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