

# SCIENCE AGAINST CRIME

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The most advanced investigative police techniques used in solving complex crimes

## Synopsis

This book uncovers the most surprising and novel crime-solving methods used by forensic police investigators in figuring out complex crimes. Each of these now famous techniques – criminal profiling, the use of luminol, forensic anthropology – is explained through impressive real life cases. In addition to the bibliographic references, the author borrows from autopsies, journalistic reports, judicial sentences, mental health studies, and police and FBI regulations.

Among the cases discussed in the book, the reader will learn about the Green River serial killer and how he was captured thanks to the study of an insect. You will also see how luminol revealed that a murder had taken place in a hotel room when not a single blood stain was visible to the naked eye.

This book will bring the reader closer to the crime-solving techniques made famous on popular TV series. At the same time, the reader will learn which of these methods are used in reality and what their limitations are in a police investigation.

## Biography

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## Did you know that...

...in the 8th Century A.D., a Chinese investigator used his observations of flies to solve a crime in a remote village?

...the study of some skeletal remains has helped police arrest some of the worst serial killers in history?

...in Tennessee (United States) there is an area known as the "Body Farm" where cadavers are used to study human decomposition for future criminal investigations?

...the technique of fingerprint analysis was originally rejected by almost all police precincts in Europe as it was believed to have little investigative importance?

...there are some police agents that are so skilled that they can guess the characteristics and habits of a serial killer – his clothing, his profession, his social relations – simply by studying the crime scene?

...according to the World Health Organization, 20% of the Spanish population has some degree of psychopathic behavior?

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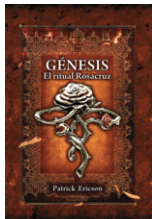
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