

Italian court orders new DNA test in Knox retrial

Judges at the retrial of Amanda Knox for the murder of a British student on Monday ordered new DNA testing on the alleged murder weapon, a kitchen knife, on the first day of hearings.

Lawyers for the US student and her Italian former lover Raffaele Sollecito told the court the fresh tests were essential in clearing the defendants, as the victim's lawyer said the truth behind one of Italy's most notorious crimes was long overdue.

An appeals court overturned their convictions in 2011 and Knox quickly returned to Seattle, but Italy's Supreme Court in March ordered a retrial following an appeal by prosecutors against what they slammed a "superficial ruling."

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