DNA analysis solves 80-year-old murder mystery

While DNA analysis is often used to catch perpetrators of crimes, recent work from scientists at the University of Leicester has shown that the technology can be used to identify victims as well.

Two researchers from the university, John Bond and Lisa Smith, were able to use genetic techniques to identify the victim of a homicide from 1930 that took place in the British town of Hardingstone. The body of the male victim was incinerated in a car fire – preventing investigators from originally making a definitive identification.

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