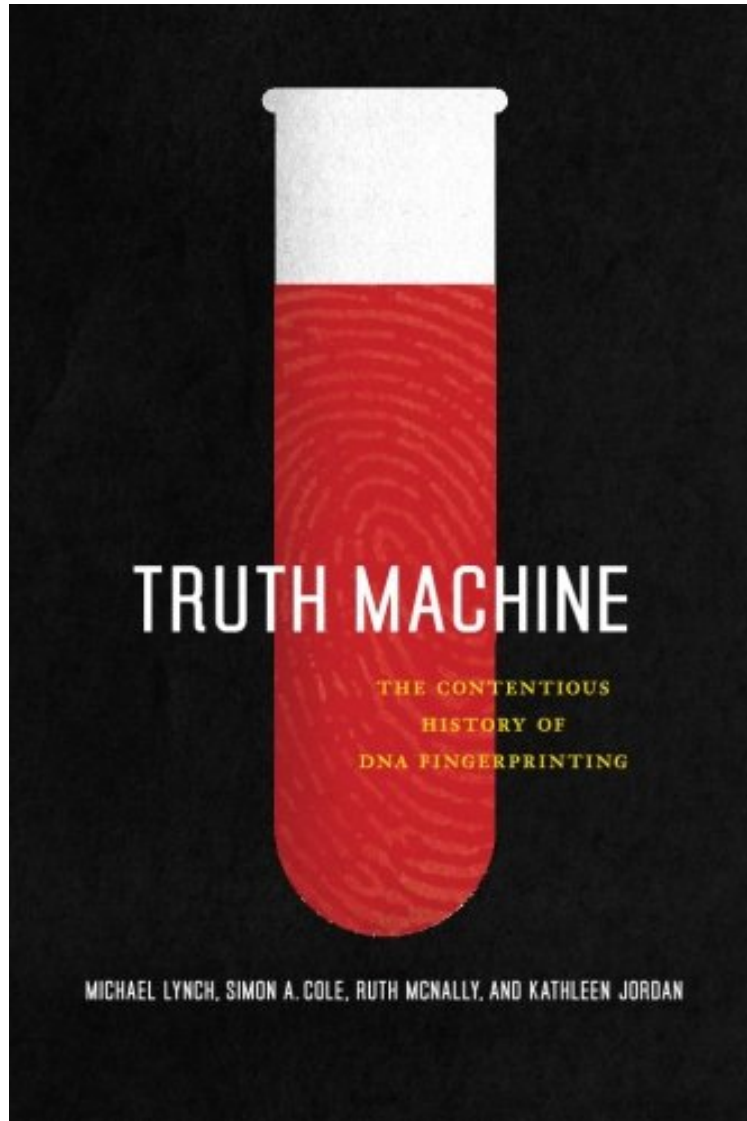


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great readBy Derek TallentThe book was incredibly insightful in terms of the development of DNA fingerprinting in the court system. I was impressed at the detail the author often went into, often pulling quotes directly from oral arguments or other scientific experts. Some of the concepts were

complex and harder to understand at first but Lynch managed to break them down into more manageable ideas. Lynch presented some criticisms and challenges relating to DNA fingerprinting, but he did so in an objective manner with arguments to back up his assertions. I think this book overall gives a great summary of the state of DNA fingerprinting in the legal system and would definitely recommend it for anyone interested in these kinds of topics.

DNA profiling commonly known as DNA fingerprinting is often heralded as unassailable criminal evidence, a veritable truth machine that can overturn convictions based on eyewitness testimony, confessions, and other forms of forensic evidence. But DNA evidence is far from infallible. Truth Machine traces the controversial history of DNA fingerprinting by looking at court cases in the United States and United Kingdom beginning in the mid-1980s, when the practice was invented, and continuing until the present. Ultimately, Truth Machine presents compelling evidence of the obstacles and opportunities at the intersection of science, technology, sociology, and law.