

# Sexual violence in Europe is widespread and disproportionately affects women and girls



women in the EU have experienced physical or sexual violence

**243 715**

sexual violence offences registered in the EU in 2023

**€290 billion**

estimated annual costs of violence against women in the EU-27

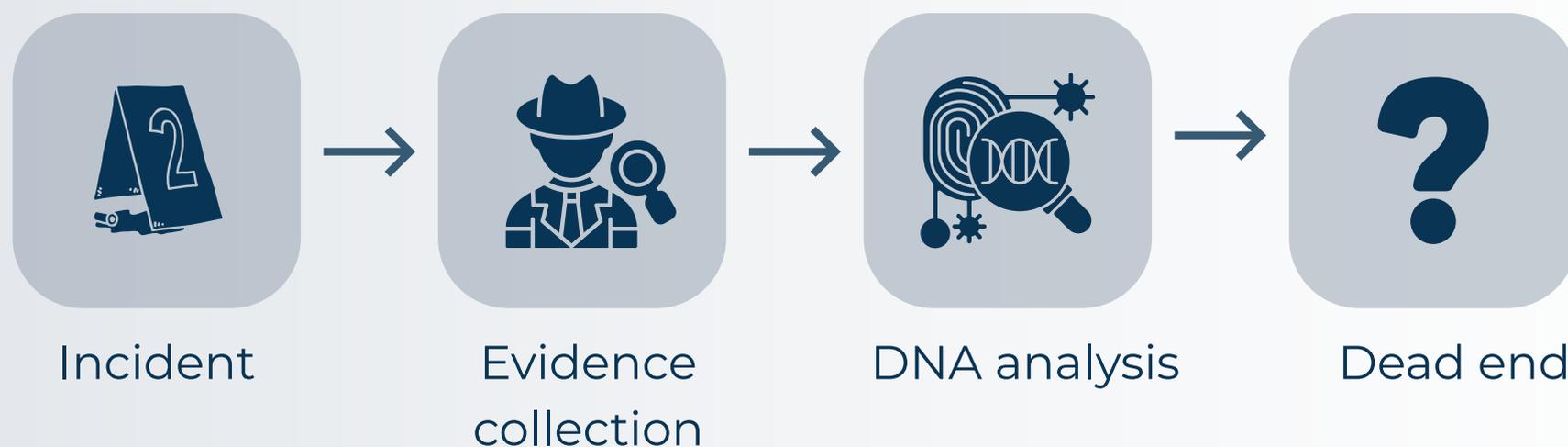
**Despite increased reporting, many cases still remain unresolved.**

Sources: [Eurostat gender-based violence statistics](#), [crime statistics](#), [the costs of gender-based violence in the European Union](#)



# Why sexual violence cases are so difficult to resolve

- Evidence is often collected too late, or is minute
- DNA traces are mixed, degraded or insufficient
- Traditional forensic genetic methods struggle with complex samples



**The main bottleneck between reporting and justice is forensic evidence quality.**

# CapCell: Addressing the forensic evidence gap in sexual violence cases



## Revolutionised Forensic DNA Profiling

New approaches for investigating complex mixed biological traces from sexual violence cases



## Innovative Modular Prototype Toolkit

10 validated and implemented tools based on microfluidics and single-cell genomics



## One male cell, one DNA profile

Automated, AI-based and more precise human identification across Europe

**Modernised forensic solutions are needed to overcome the evidence bottleneck.**



# Better science strengthens protection for citizens

- Improved identification of perpetrators
- More admissible forensic evidence in court
- Increased trust in justice systems
- Stronger cross-border forensic cooperation in Europe



**By strengthening forensic evidence, CapCell's tools help close the gap between reporting and justice.**

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