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Highlights

- DNA analysis from skeletal remains is crucial for missing person identification
- STR profiling is only suitable if ante-mortem samples or relatives are available
- If unavailable, appearance DNA prediction can provide leads to find relatives
- The HIrisPlex system allows eye and hair colour prediction from DNA
- We find HIrisPlex suitable for analysing remains of World War II victims

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