

# Core Surgery Skills & Anatomy *and* London School of Surgery Training Programmes

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## Core Surgery Skills & Anatomy – practical skills sessions introduced



Core Trainees across London now have the opportunity to attend practical skills sessions at St Mary's as part of their mandatory training programme.

CT1 trainees complete three topics in addition to their anatomy teaching at the Human Anatomy Unit at Charing Cross Hospital (**Essentials of Suturing & Knot Tying and Skin Excisions, Introduction to Laparoscopic Skills and Laparoscopic Appendicectomy, and Urinary Catheterisation**). CT2 trainees are offered **Hand-sewn bowel anastomosis, Laparoscopic appendicectomy, Stoma formation and siting, and Basic vascular anastomosis** – as well as two cadaver sessions at Charing Cross (**Orthopaedic approaches to the lower limb and Tracheostomy**).

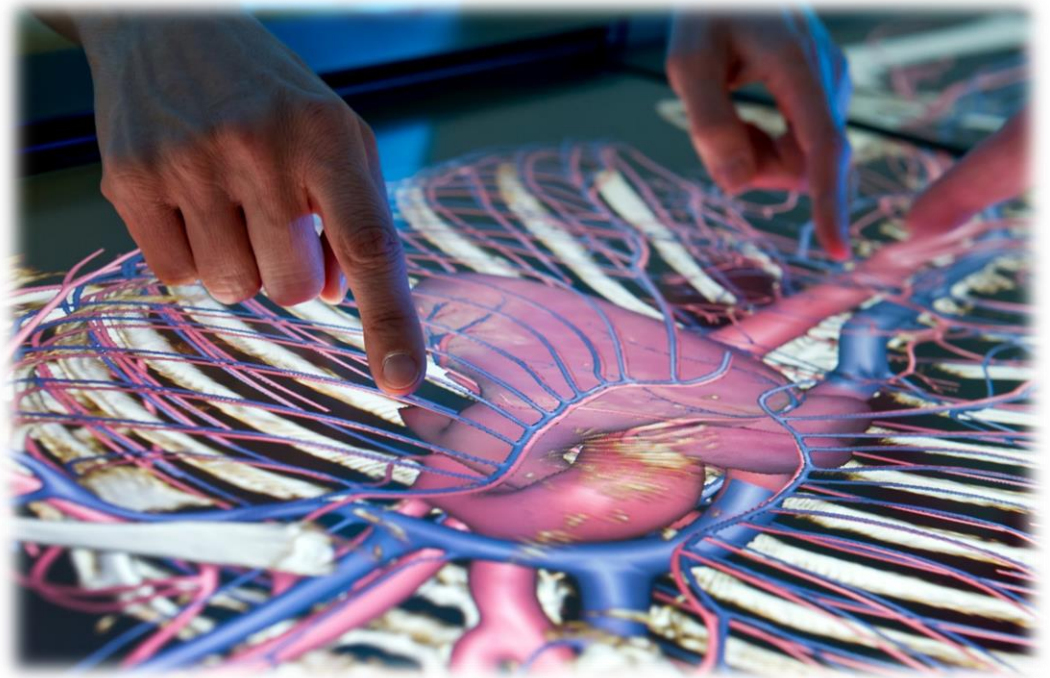
Sessions are structured so trainees have a brief introduction to the topic, before spending valuable time in the wet lab where they can practise skills and receive expert feedback.

These are delivered by many of our regular London School of Surgery Training Programme faculty, and we have also had the pleasure of welcoming some new consultants to lead sessions.

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*“Trainer provided very helpful background slides and spent time to provide individualised feedback during skills demonstrations - great session.”*

### *Trainee Feedback*



## Anatomage

This year, we are starting to make use of an Anatomage table in CT1 anatomy teaching sessions, to complement the use of prosections and cadavers. This equipment enables trainees to explore different anatomical structures, as well as work through pre-programmed case studies.

## Proctology Workshop

In 2023, our ST5-6 Colorectal trainees were invited to attend our very first Proctology Workshop – an additional all-day teaching opportunity which included a mixture of lectures and hands-on wet lab practicals, in which trainees were able to practise a range of different procedures on animal tissue specimens.

Topics and practicals included **perianal dermatology**, **lateral sphincterectomy**, **anal fistula**, **how to read proctology MRI**, and **LIFT procedure**. We are grateful to Mr Phil Tozer and Ms Lillian Reza for leading what was a very well received day of teaching.





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## Coming up in 2025

We have introduced some new sessions in both the London School of Surgery Training and Core Surgical Skills & Anatomy Programmes in 2025.



As well as their regular cadaveric sessions at Charing Cross, ST8 trainees will also be able to take advantage of a robotic surgery workshop, to be run at St Mary's.

Following the purchase of an endoscopy simulator, we are pleased to confirm that ST3 trainees will be given the opportunity to attend a dedicated workshop.

Mr Ahmed Aber*	Professor Robin Williamson (x46)	Ms Sala Abdalla*	Mr Daniel Frith*	Mr Andy Roche (x2)*
Mr Benjamin Ayres*	Mr Mathias Winkler*	Mr Tushar Agarwal*	Mr Mark Gudgeon*	Miss Becky Sandford*
Mr Aman Bhargava*	Mr David Winters*	Mr Chadwan Al Yaghchi*	Mr Tom Holme (x2)*	Mr Vernon Sivarajah*
Mr Johann Boaz*	Professor Giovanni Zaninotto (x20)	Miss Maryam Alfa-Wali*	Mr Gaurav Kumar*	Mr Steve Snooks (x2)*
Ms Avril Chang*		Professor Timothy Allen-Mersh*	Ms Iris Kwok (x2)*	Mr Adrian Steger (x3)*
Professor Saroj Das (x50)		Mr Stefano Andreani*	Mr Nicholas Law*	Mr Paul Stimpson*
Mr Michael Dinneen*		Mr Muzaffar Anwar*	Mr Nicholas Marshall*	Mr Ankur Thapar*
Professor Nader Francis (x3)		Mrs Sara Badvie*	Miss Gill Martin*	Professor Robin Williamson (x2)*
Professor Robert Goldin		Mr Yogesh Bhatt*	Mr Magdy Moawad*	* Indicates new to the Programme
Mr Tom Holme*		Mr Lukla Biasi*	Mr Andrew Montgomery (x2)*	
Professor Vishy Mahadevan (x20)		Mr Richard Boulton*	Mr Mark Ornstein (x2)*	
Mr Giangiacomo Ollandini*		Mr Francesco Di Perro*	Mr Anoop Prasad (x4)*	
Mr Christopher Peters*		Ms Ellie Douka*	Miss Sophie Renton*	
Dr Alex Wickham*		Mr Alec Engledow (x2)*	Mr Michael Robinson*	

Many thanks to all our preminent consultants for leading CT1 & CT2 sessions over the 2023-2024 training year!

Ms Sala Abdalla (x2)	Mr Jeremy Crane	Mr Jason Lee	Ms Sophie Renton	
Mr Tushar Agarwal	Professor Saroj Das (x6)	Mr Chung Lim	Mr Iain Roy*	
Mr Ahmed Ahmed	Mr Vivek Datta	Mr William Lynn	Ms Becky Sandford (x3)	
Professor Timothy Allen-Mersh (x2)	Mr Mital Desai	Mr Michael Machesney	Mr Bynvant Sandhu (x2)	
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Mr Ashley Brown (x2)	Mr Alexander Harris (x2)	Mr Mark Ornstein (x2)	Mr Noel Thin* (x2)	
Mr Gordon Buchanan	Mr Thomas Holme (x4)	Mr Madhava Pai	Ms Alice Tsai	
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Ms Avril Chang	Mr Nicholas Law (x2)	Ms Sabina Rashid	Mr Efthymios Ypsilantis (x2)	
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Many thanks to all our preminent consultants for leading ST3-8 sessions over the 2023-2024 training year!