

First Year Medical Students
Introduction to the Functional Architecture of the Body (Anatomy) Course
Wed 8 October 2025 from 09:00-13.00 (in 4 Groups)

Please note these sessions are compulsory. Please come to the [Anatomy Lecture Theatre in the Downing Site](#) for your Groups session. Please use the rear student entrance to the Human Anatomy Building and go directly to the Anatomy Lecture Theatre.

Each session will comprise:

- (a) Introduction to the FAB Course, Dr Sarah Fawcett (FAB Course Organiser).
- (b) Introduction to the Dissection Room (DR) and a visit to your donors, Human Anatomy Centre Staff. Please note that this is the first time you will enter the dissection room and be introduced to this year's donors.

Time	Group
09:00-10:00	Sets M01, M02, M03, M04
10:00-11:00	Sets M05, M06, M07, M08, M09, M10
11:00-12:00	Sets M11, M12, M13, M14
12:00-13:00	Sets M15, M16, M17, M18

The FAB course is a blended learning programme which includes practical sessions (dissection, prosections, 3D digital dissection and ultrasound), applied anatomy seminars, lectures and self-directed resources hosted on our Virtual Learning Environment (Moodle). Students will be provided with important information regarding the Human Tissue Authority (HTA) and the code of conduct that must be followed in the Dissection Room (DR). Before you visit the DR today, you may find it helpful to watch this video which was produced in 2016 as it will give you some idea of what to expect: https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=1&v=yrVkm_JtdVQ

Required Items for the Dissection Room

The total cost of £25.00 includes the use of the following equipment **which will be provided in the DR** for both FAB and HNA (Head and Neck Anatomy) courses over two academic years:

Disposable gloves, safety eye shields, dissection instruments, surface marker pens, photographs for HTA compliance.

Please make payment online **before** 9 October:

<https://onlinesales.admin.cam.ac.uk/product-catalogue/products/schools-faculties-departments-and-institutions/physiology-development-neuroscience/medst-1a-fab-medst-ib-hna-2025-2026-provision-of-equipment>

Please note that you will need to purchase your own lab coat for use in DR sessions. You can either do this before arriving in Cambridge or from the Department of Biochemistry at the 'MiMS labcoat sessions' advertised on the [Freshers website](#) (You do not need your labcoat at the Introduction session on the 4th October) The following is an example of the type of coat that would be suitable:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/Lab-Coat-Unisex-Classic-Length/dp/B07XYX3RCB/ref=sr_1_9?dchild=1&keywords=White+Lab+Coats&qid=1628603667&sr=8-9

Medical Student Register & Health and Safety Form

You will be asked to sign the Medical Student Register and Health and Safety form online via Moodle, further instruction will be in your welcome email. **Both forms must be signed before entering the DR.** You will also be asked to sign a consent form for ultrasound in the context of anatomical teaching.