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Report from the London Cadaver Masterclass 2015.

I have attended this training course on 1st and 2nd December 2015. It took place at St Georges Hospital in London.

The aim of the course was to improve anatomical knowledge of importance for incontinenceand prolapse-surgery. We had the opportunity to dissect on cadavers and even perform operations with SUI tapes and Mesh. Unfortunately the cadavers were not positioned as when you normally perform surgery and the lighting was poor. The most interesting part was when you could actually dissect the area of operation after you used for example the retropubic sling. The anatomist Dr M Szarko who was in charge of these practical parts was an excellent teacher who really made anatomy intelligible and interesting.

We were 17 gynecologists and urologists from across the world who attended this course. Some participants travelled from New Zeeland, Korea, and Chile. Sweden had a great team with five participants.

There were many lectures on treatment of SUI and prolapse. The speakers were Mr A Digesu, Prof Ervin Kocjanic, Mr A Fayyad and Dr Victoria Handley. It was really interesting to hear about complications and how to manage the complications from this type of surgery.

The conclusion I made from the course was that we more or less use the SUI tapes and Prolapse Mesh in the same way around the world but in Sweden we are more accustomed to local anesthetic.

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