



Staff at the Centre for Anatomy and Human Identification are amongst the most experienced in the UK and are constantly involved in high-profile identification cases both at home and abroad.

Human Identification



Facial reconstruction muscles

The Centre offers expertise in facial analysis and with comparison of other body parts including hands and superficial vein patterns. Collaborations currently exist with investigative agencies and biometric companies.

Current projects

- Developing a technique for matching superficial vein patterns as a new biometric with the Metropolitan Police Service.
- Working with the Tennessee body farm facility towards identifying the decomposition rate of faces for reconstruction purposes.
- A contract to train the UK national response team in the event of a mass fatality event either at home or overseas.
- A free consultancy service to every police force in the UK for the rapid identification of non-human finds.
- CT scanning of the Centre's collection of juvenile skeletal material (Scheuer collection), the only active repository in the world.

Funding

Anatomical Society of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, BBSRC, Mathew Trust and EPSRC.

Opportunities

The Centre welcomes research collaborations and development opportunities with biometric companies, imaging specialists and companies interested in variations in anatomical shape eg medical devices.

Expertise:

- Forensic human identification – criminal and missing persons
- Identification of the living for immigration purposes
- Facial reconstruction and facial imaging
- Training in Disaster Victim Identification
- Witness testimony information

Further information

To find out what the Centre for Anatomy and Human Identification Group can do for you contact Prof Sue Black.

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