



Ethical management

of pedagogical material

The SFITS commits to Excellence in regards to

- Its ethical management of anatomical specimens
- The quality management of its processes

Anatomical specimens

The SFITS is authorized by the Institute of Anatomy of the Geneva Faculty of Medicine and the Geneva official authorities to transport, manipulate, preserve, and store anatomical specimens.

Anatomical specimens provided by the SFITS are obtained with the lawful and valid informed consent of their donors, under the Swiss body donation program.

The SFITS ensures that the collection of anatomical specimens complies with all applicable laws and in accordance with the informed consent given by the donor and/or the donor's legally authorized representative, and that all the services related to anatomical specimens are following strict hygienic and ethical processes.

The SFITS maintains as confidential all personal information pertaining to anatomical specimens.

The SFITS guarantees that specimens are treated with dignity and respect and that professional and ethical behavior is displayed at all times around them.

Organic material

All organic parts that are provided at the SFITS are coming from the Swiss slaughterhouses.

All the good practice and code of conduct surrounding the transport, handling, preparation and disposition services of any animal parts are under the strict supervision of the Veterinary Service of the Faculty of Medicine of Geneva.

The SFITS guarantees that organic parts are legally obtained, treated with respect, and are transported, stored and evacuated following strict hygienic and ethical processes.

Code of Conduct

Anyone stepping in the SFITS is responsible for his/her own safety, the safety of others and the integrity and respect of the anatomical specimens. He/she consents to strictly follow the medical code of conduct and to display a professional and ethical behavior towards inert material at all times.

For example, (but not limited to)

- Only OR professionals are allowed to manipulate anatomical specimens; all other people will remain observers.
- No photos or videos shall be taken with or of an anatomical specimen;
- Confidential information and anonymity of the specimen must be preserved at all times.

Would you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at sfits@sfits.ch