

So Dr ... What *can* you tell
me?

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Who am I?

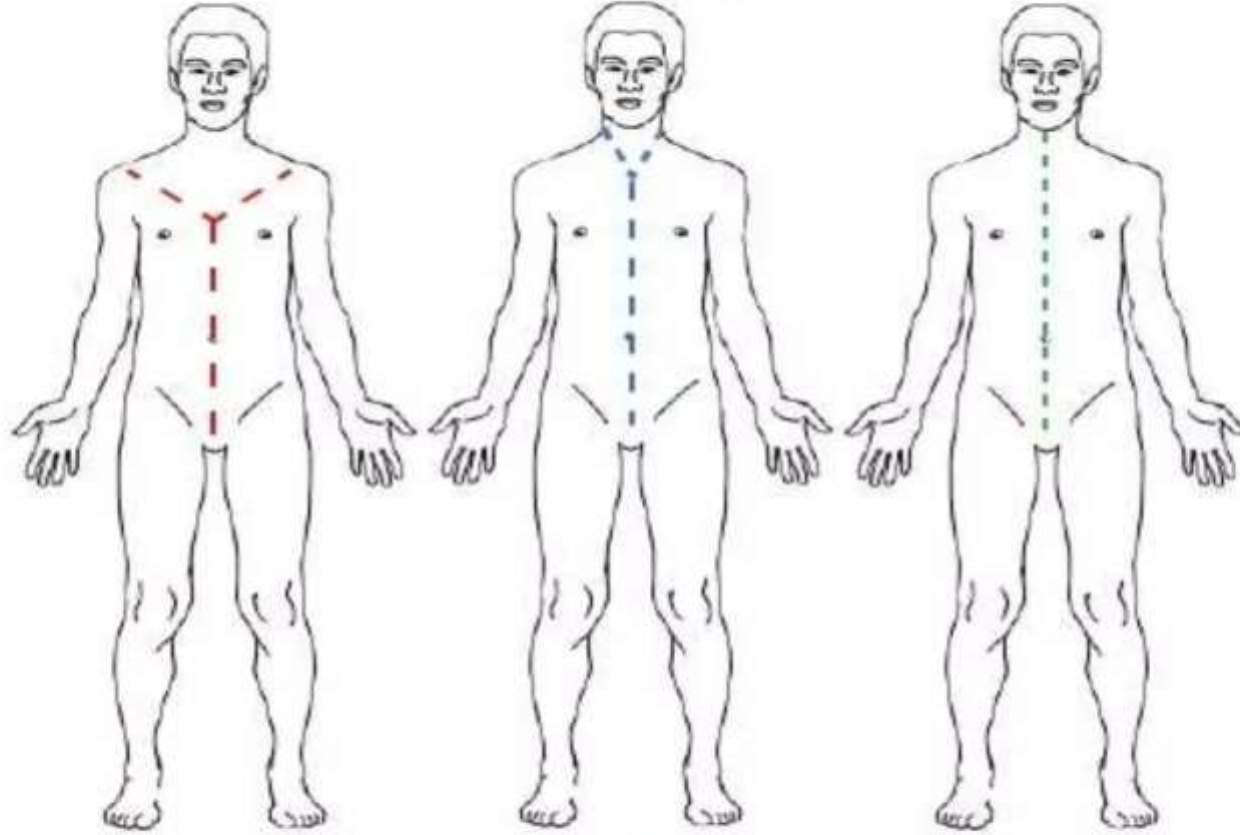


What do I do?



What is an autopsy?

Common Autopsy Incisions



Y-shaped incision

Modified
Y-shaped incision

I-shaped incision

How old am I?

A I don't know what I don't know	B I don't know what I know
D I know what I know	C I know what I don't know



Is it human?



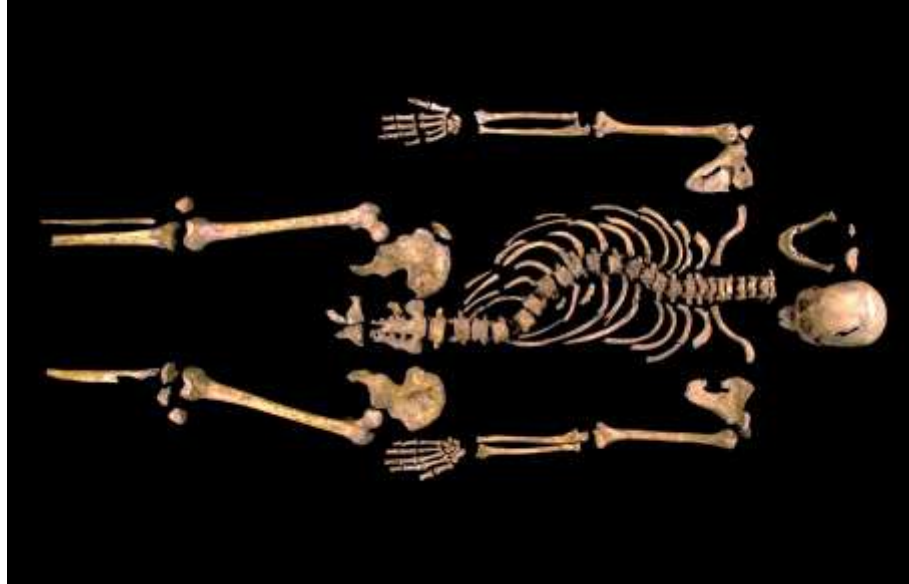
Are they dead?

- PLE?
- Not all opinions requested are about deceased persons
 - E.g. NFS

A systematic review in 2014 reported the lifetime prevalence of women being strangled by an intimate partner to be between 3.0% and 9.7%

Strangulation and suffocation became standalone offences in England and Wales in 2022, and in Northern Ireland in 2023. In England & Wales, there were 23,817 reports of strangulation and suffocation made to the police in the first year of the offence being in place. IFAS UK NFS May 2025

Who are they?



When did they die?

- When were they last seen alive?
- Rigor mortis
- Lividity
- Temperature
- Decomposition
- Biochemistry



Is there any natural disease?



Is it a wound?

- Bruise vs hypostasis
- Incised wound vs surgical incision
- Blunt force injury vs CPR
- IVDU vs IVA site

What caused the wound?

- Incised wound
- Laceration
- Bruise
 - pattern
- Abrasion
- Contusions
 - Coup/contre-coup
- Weapons



When was it caused?

- Colour
- Healing
- Bleeding



Had they taken anything before death?



Did it kill them?



Whodunnit?



Am I going to be replaced by PMCT?







Thank You!
Any questions?

