Clinical Anatomy

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2. Purpose of Education

Clinical anatomy is generally considered as the practical application of anatomical knowledge to diagnosis and treatment, however we think that this course is a part of pure anatomical science based on the findings of the morphological observations of the human bodies. Main objective of Clinical anatomy in the graduate course is to make detailed anatomical data to answer the questions developed from clinical fields especially by surgeons and radiologists. We collabolate with many clinicians: ENT, orthopedics, gynecology, thoracic surgery, radiology and so on, and our projects have been broad areas. Students are expected to get fine dissection techniques of human bodies and also learn techniques of histology and embryological experiments. By using these techniques, we study the spatial relationships of organs, vessels nerves, and also try to examine their developmental processes in various projects.

3. Research Subjects

- 1) Anatomical study of the shoulder joint and rotator cuff.
- 2) Analyses of the lamination in the masticatory muscles with special reference of nerve supply
- 3) Embryological study of the differentiation of cloaca and surrounding muscles.
- 4) Cadaveric study of the female pelvis for the gynecologic oncology and colposcopy

4. Publications

Original Article

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