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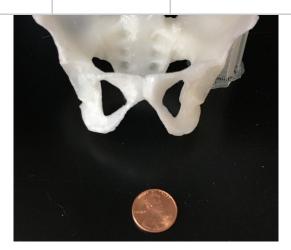
Makers @ HS/HSL: Teaching Anatomy

Maker:	Adam Puche
Affiliation:	Department of Anatomy and Neurobiology, University of Maryland, Baltimore School of Medicine
Project:	3D printing and visualizing human anatomy for medical education
Used:	Afinia H480, Lulzbot Taz5, zSpace virtual reality station

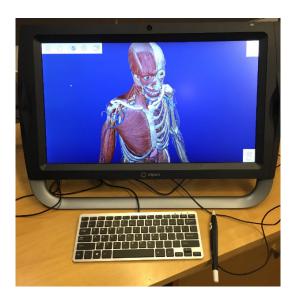
Adam Puche, PhD, Professor of Anatomy and Neurobiology, is leveraging the HS/HSL Innovation Space to enrich his students' learning experience. Beginning this August, students enrolled in MSRP512 "Structure and Development", the first year medical school course covering gross anatomy, will be able to use the HS/HSL Innovation Space to 3D print any of three anatomically correct models selected for this pilot project. If all goes well this semester, more models will be tested and added to the collection in the future. Additionally, students can explore the human body in interactive 3D using the Innovation Space's zSpace virtual reality workstation.

According to Dr. Puche, 3D printing provides new opportunities for learning anatomy outside the classroom. "Studying anatomy at home has mostly been limited to flat images in books or on computer screens," due to bulky physical objects that can be awkward to transport, and the cost and availability of materials. However, some regions of anatomy are best understood through hands-on interaction rather than looking at passive images.

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Clockwise from the top left: female pelvis print, male pelvis print, femur print, zSpace virtual reality workstation with the Visible Body application open.

The pelvis, Dr. Puche notes, is one such area that is particularly difficult for students to understand, with its many dozens of different muscles, nerves, arteries, and veins that connect to it or traverse through it. Which is why models of a male and female pelvis bone, and a femur bone (which connects to the pelvis), were selected for this pilot. "It's important for students to physically examine and interact with this complex anatomy to really understand how it works. The accessibility of 3D printers begs the question, can we provide students with hands-on models that they can have and study with in any location?"

The miniaturized bone models Dr. Puche's students will print will be at a scale of around about 40% of their actual size, and will cost between \$3-\$6 each.

Dr. Adam Puche received his PhD from the

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understanding how the olfactory system develops during embryogenesis, early postnatal life, and functions in adulthood.

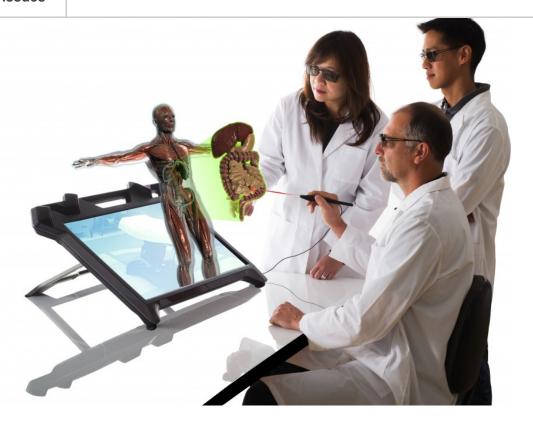
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- 1. 3D Scanning Using a Dip Scanner (sdu.edu.cn)
- 2. FDA Clears 3D Printed Titanium Medical Implant for Use (3dprintingindustry.com)
- Creating Three-dimensional Printed Models of Acetabular Fractures for Use as Educational Tools (rsna.org)

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