At The UCH Education Centre, leading-edge technology enables observers to capitalise on the notable expertise of the world-class surgeons who work at University College London Hospitals Trust, or travel to use its facilities.

In 2008, Professor Tony Mundy performed a masterclass in reconstructive urology using operating theatres 11 and 12 at UCH, while his group of trainees observed every step relayed in fine detail through a live visual and auditory feed to The UCH Education Centre seminar rooms.

Live surgery is always an invaluable teaching and training method for surgeons in any speciality, and at any stage in their career. Yet, the restricted space and access in theatres nearly always compromises the execution of this objective.

The live link from UCH’s theatres to The Education Centre’s main seminar lecture theatre enables up to 130 students at any time to get maximum benefit out of a watch, learn and understand live surgery conference.

Professor Mundy comments: “The UCH Education Centre and the live link from its operating theatres at UCH are of a particularly high quality. The set up works extremely well and is particularly useful for teaching complex procedures and groundbreaking work. But it’s also valuable for junior trainees learning common procedures, so it works for everybody.”

Go one step further and use the latest anatomically accurate, reactive mannequins to follow or recreate a groundbreaking procedure from theatre, as events unfold in real-time.

The UCH Education Centre’s pioneering theatre simulation technology gives physicians, with any level of experience, the rare chance of a ‘full dress rehearsal’ prior to surgery – providing opportunities to make mistakes and refine techniques in a controlled setting. It could be the single chance to test yourself, or perhaps less experienced colleagues, thoroughly before operating for real.