

Medical Image Processing for Intuitive Navigation and Surgical Workflow Analysis

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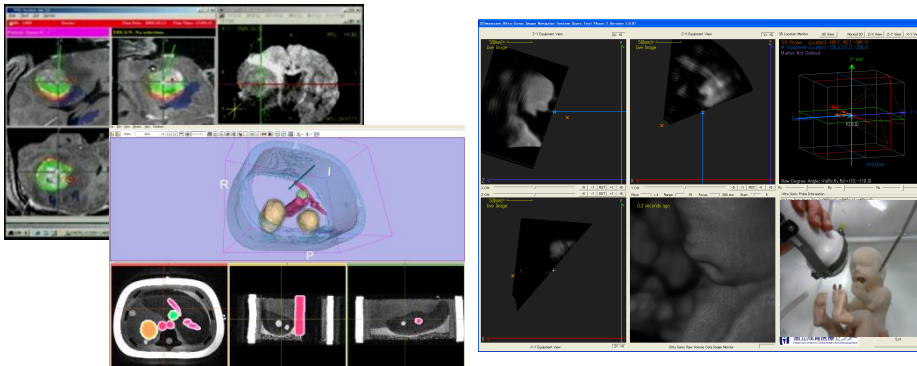
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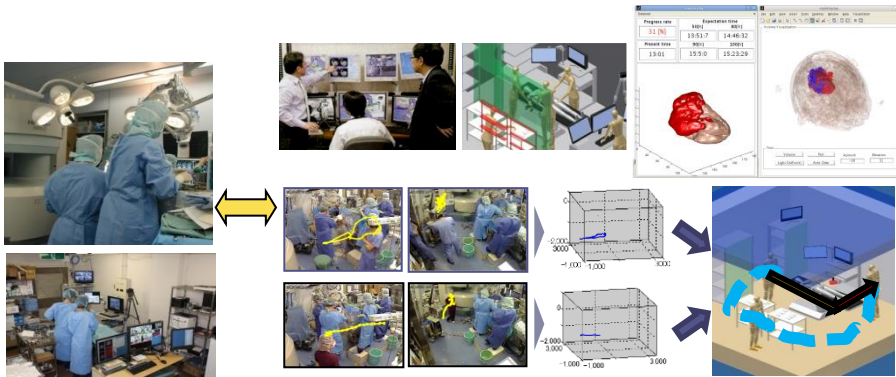
Visualization and analysis of Intraoperative information

& computer assisted surgical devices and robotics

Surgical Navigation and Informatics



Surgical navigation system with "Distance Sensation" & real-time updated 4D ultrasound imaging



Surgical control platform using surgical workflow analysis & trajectory analysis inside OR

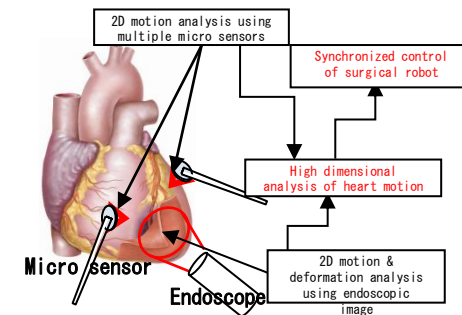
Surgical Instruments and Robotics



Advanced therapeutic device for endoscopic surgery and tissue regeneration therapy

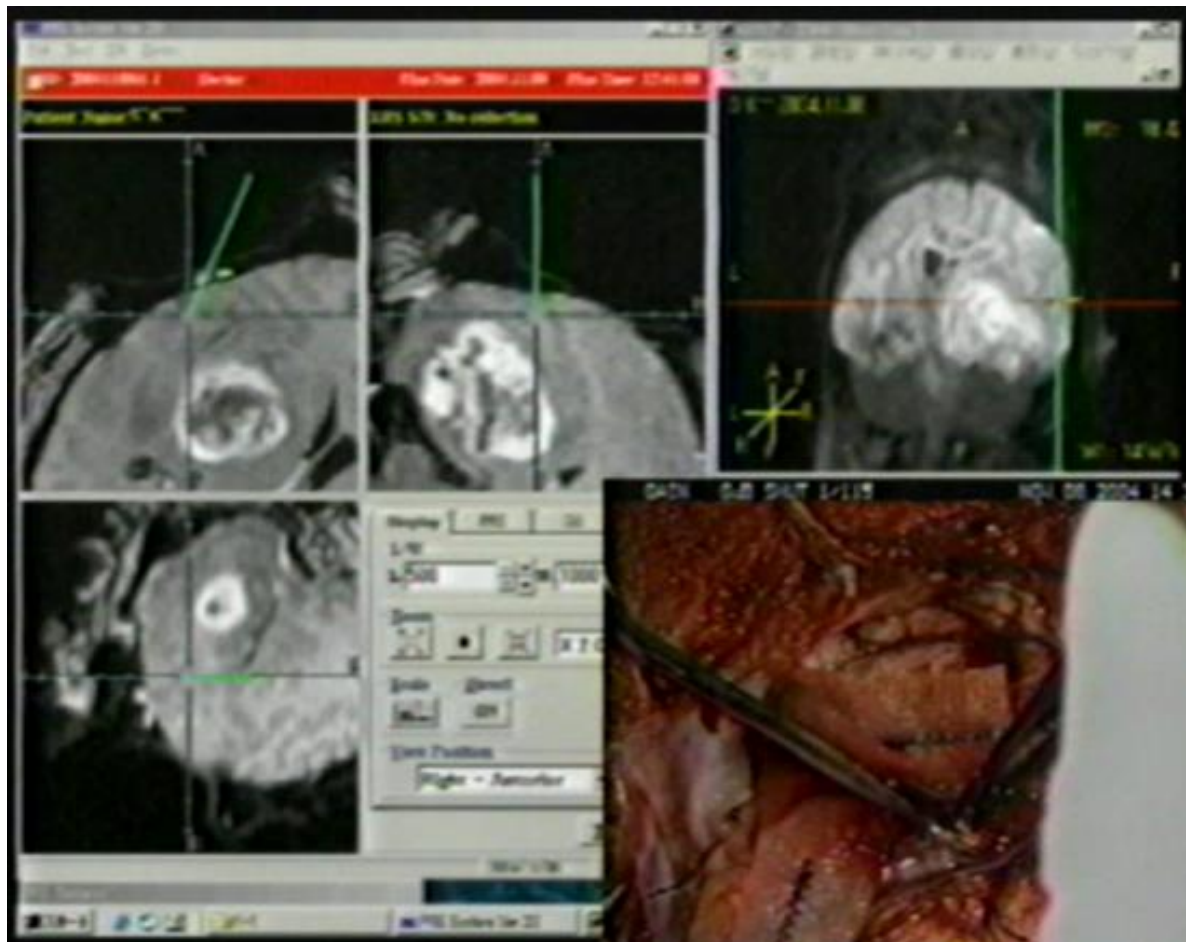


LITE : Least Incision & Transformation Endoeffector



Non-contact analysis system for heart motion

Surgical Navigation



Realtime-updated Navigation System with intraoperative MRI can improve removal rate of malignant tumor and survival rate

(Courtesy : ABMES, Tokyo Women 's Medical Univ.)

Computer Assisted Surgery based on Intraoperative Information and Navigation Technology

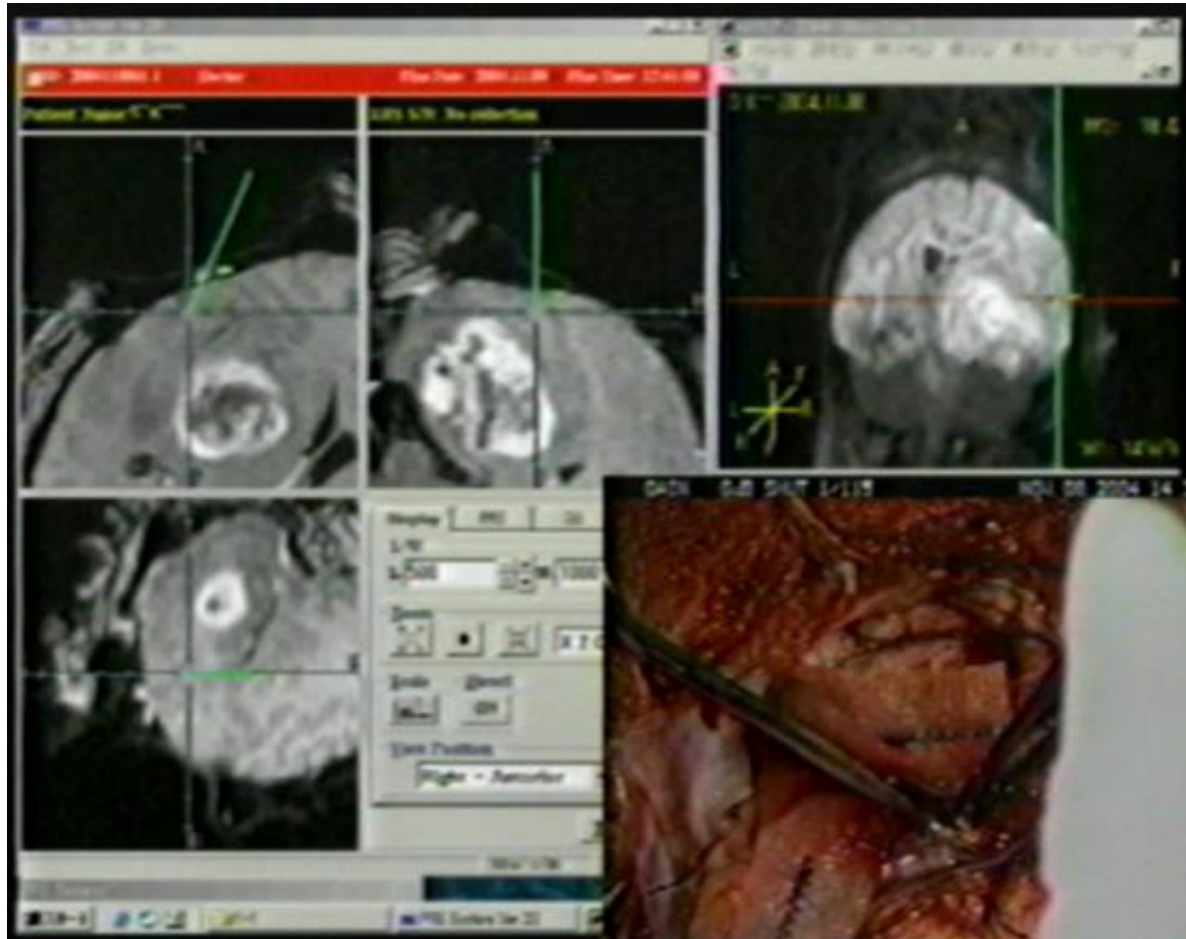
- Image-guided Surgery by Navigation Technology
 - Visualization of patient anatomy and surgical instruments
 - Navigation guidance for surgical procedure
 - Difficulties: Motion/deformation of organs
- Analysis of Surgery by Navigation Technology
 - Recording the information about patient and procedure
 - Evaluation of the performance of surgeons/device

Computer Assisted Surgery based on Intraoperative Information and Navigation Technology

- Today's topics
 - Real-time updated navigation system using intraoperative 3D ultrasound for endoscopic fetal surgery and Water-filled laparo-endoscopic surgery
 - Automatic surgical workflow analysis using navigation information

Real-time updated navigation system
using intraoperative 3D ultrasound
for endoscopic fetal surgery and
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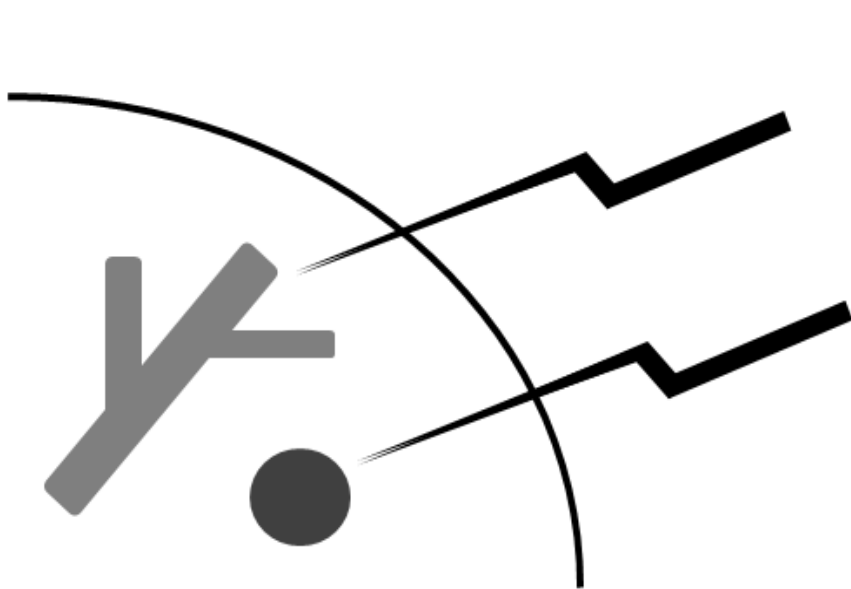


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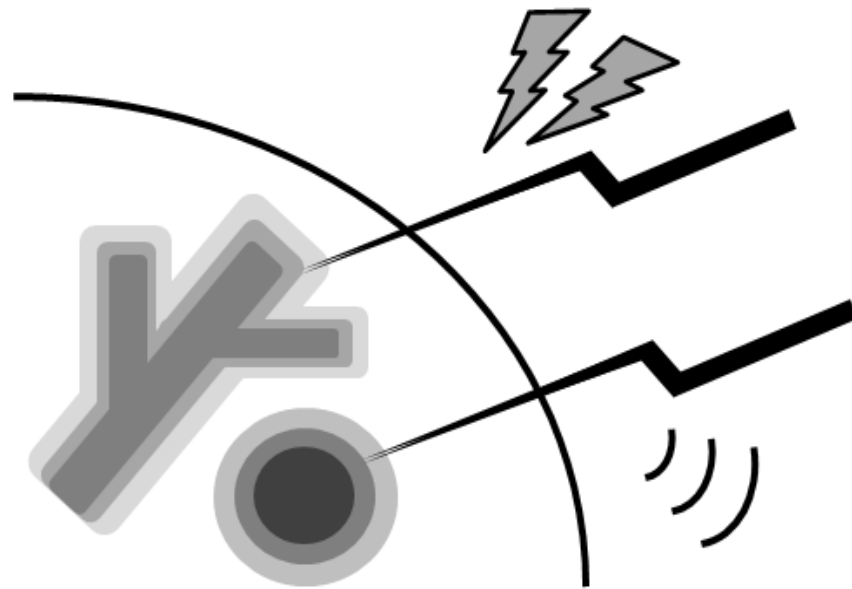
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Surgical Navigation with Distance Sensation

- Provide the sensation of the distance of a given object
 - Guidance to treatment target / collision avoidance



Conventional navigation



navigation with Distance Sensation

(Nakamura, JJSCAS 14(2) 2012)

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Distance map for guidance to treatment target
(Nakamura, CARS2006)

Real-time updated Navigation

Need for Real-time Updated Navigation
for abdominal organs (movable/deformable)

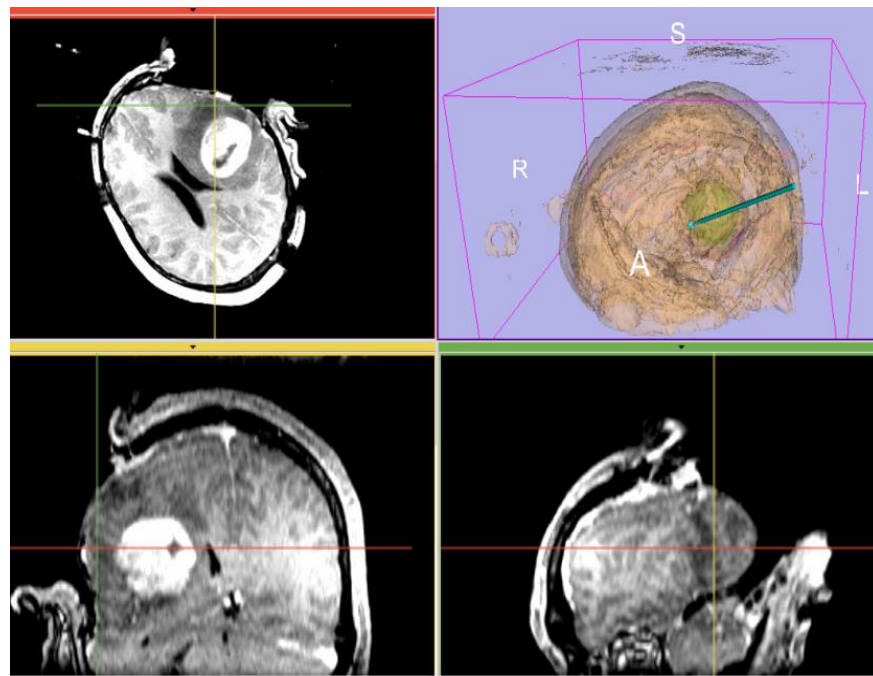
Surgical Navigation with intraoperative imaging

Intraoperative CT/MRI

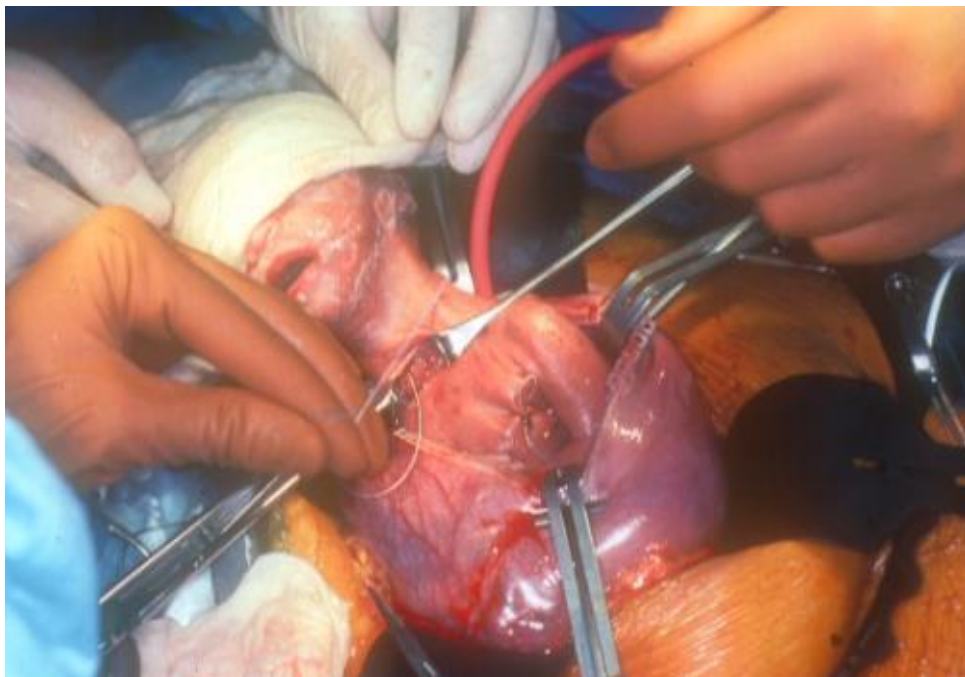
- High-quality, track movable organ
- × Big equipment, Long scanning time
Not applicable for high speed change

Intraoperative Ultrasound

- High speed scanning
- × Limitation on target (no bone, no air)
Low quality



Navigation for endoscopic fetal surgery

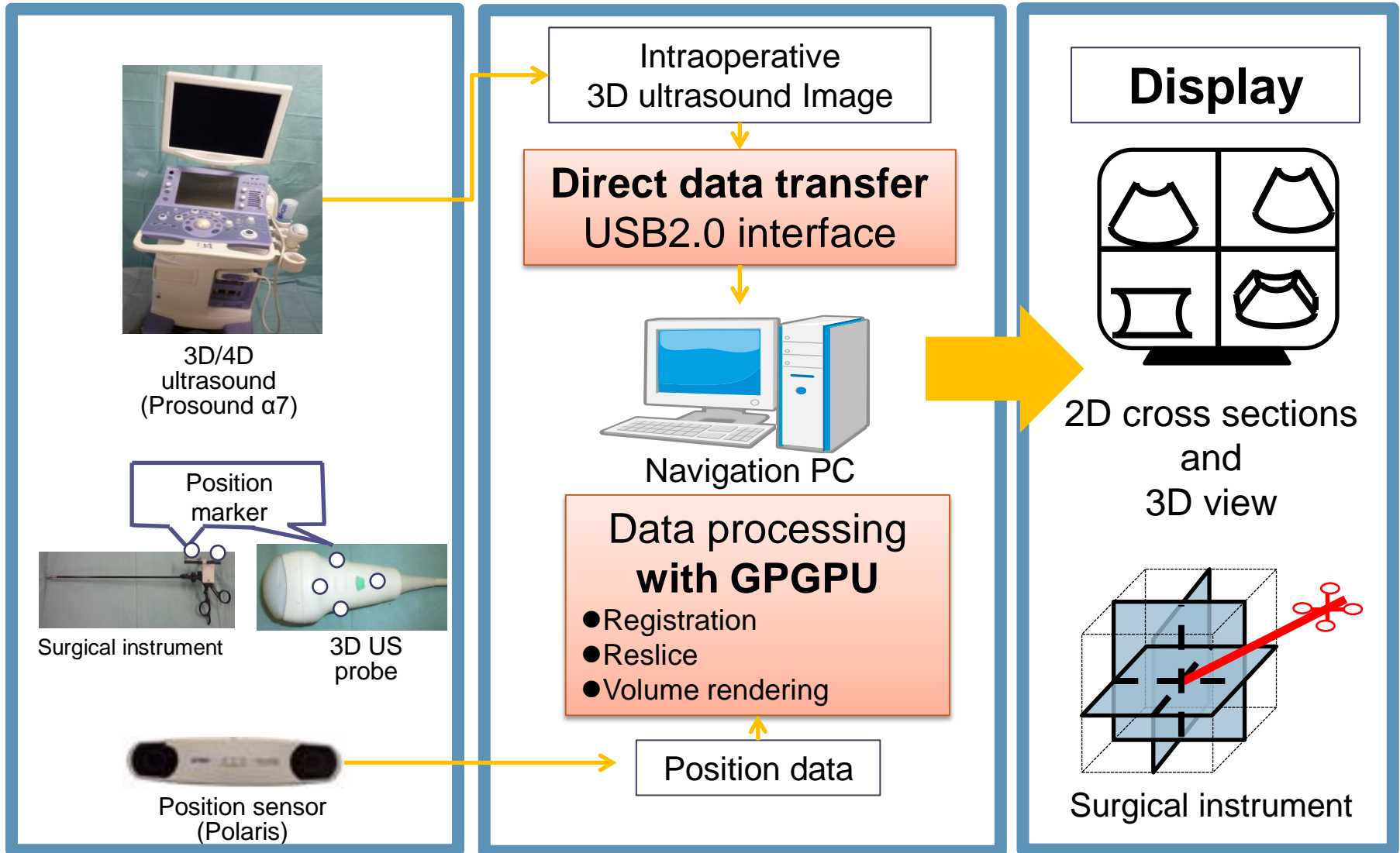


- Real-time Navigation with 3D view outside endoscopic view field
- Ultrasound Imaging is most suitable for fetal surgery

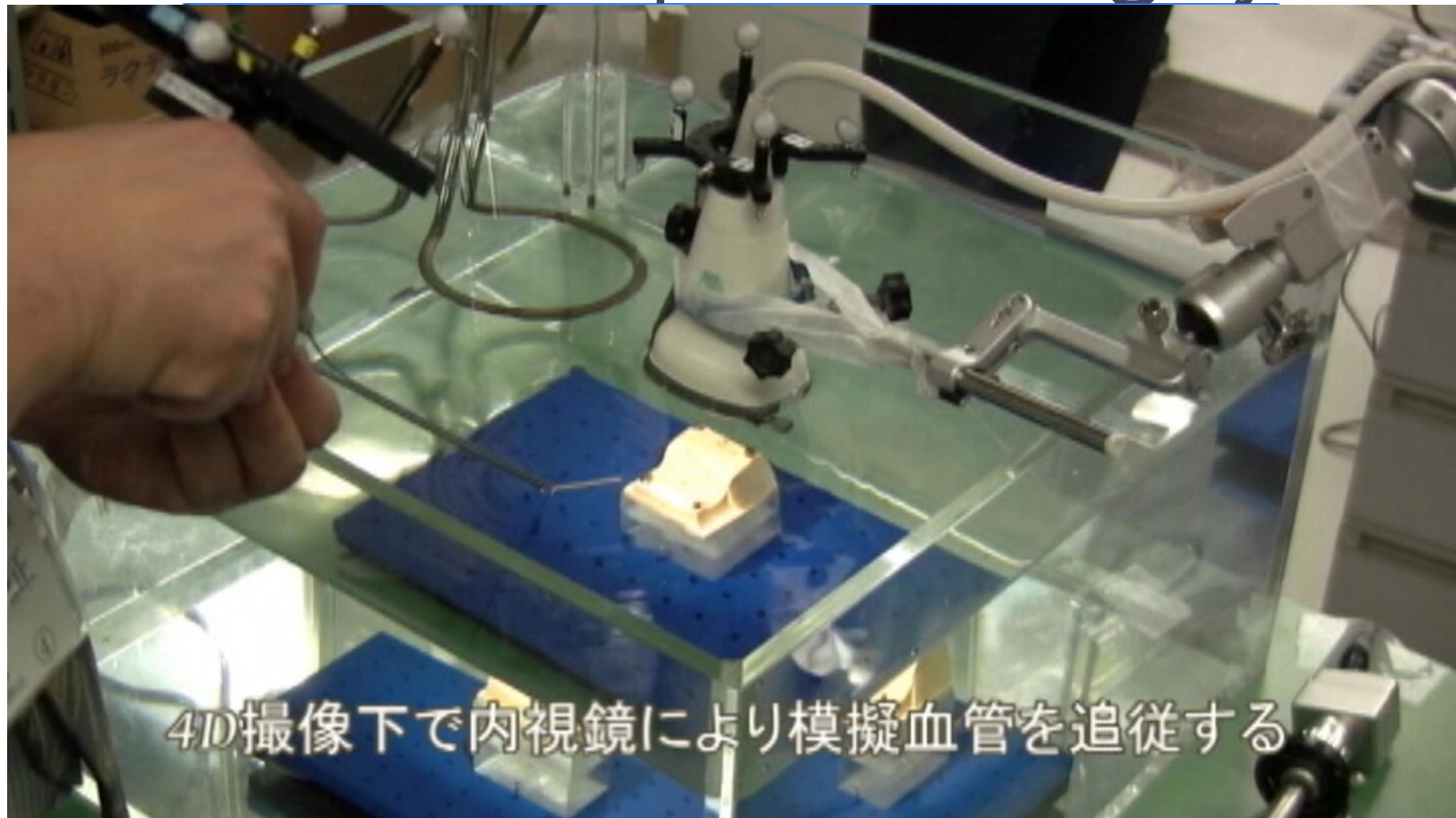
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Configuration of the navigation system



Real-time 3D Ultrasound Navigation for endoscopic fetal surgery



Nakamura et al JJSCAS 2011 13(2):87-95

WaFLES

Water filled Laparo-Endoscopic Surgery

- Replace carbon dioxide gas with isotonic liquid in laparoscopic surgery
- Pro
 - Control venous bleeding by water pressure
 - Set organs in warm condition during surgery
 - Acquire ultrasound images



Laparoscopic cholecystectomy in WaFLES condition (porcine model)

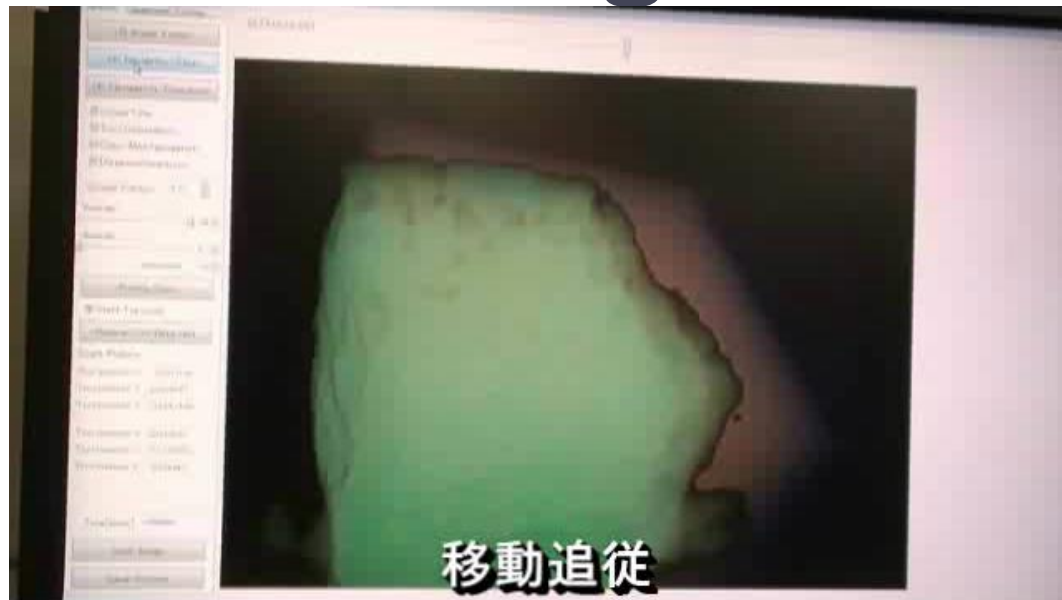


Ultrasound-based Navigation System is applicable for laparoscopic surgery

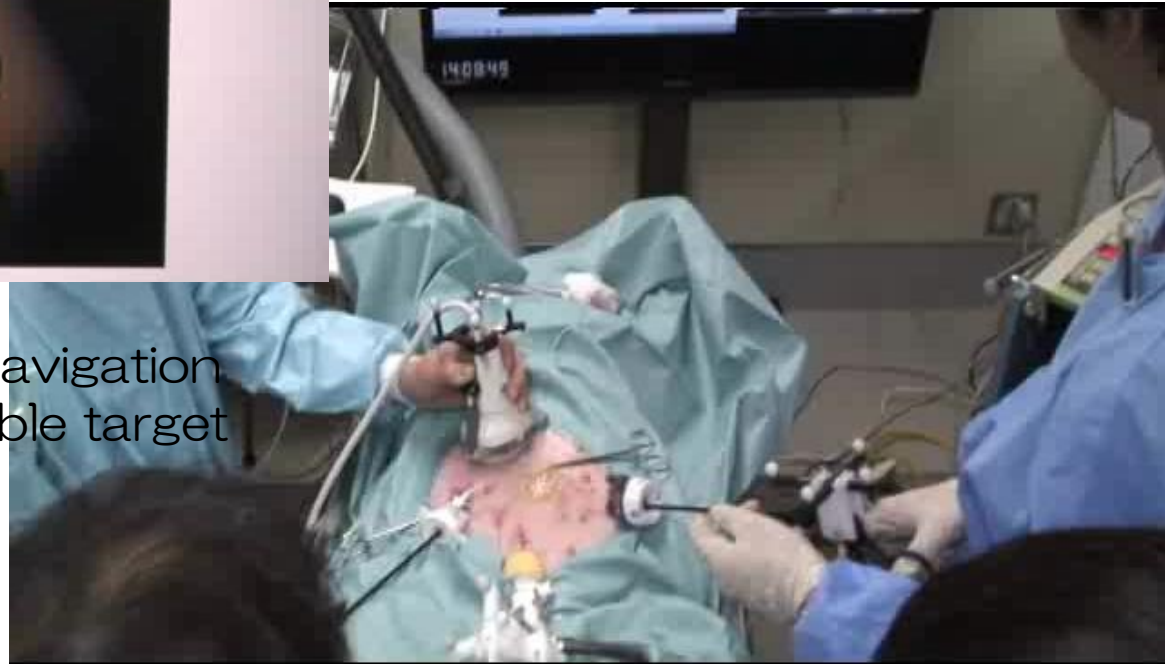
***Water-Filled Laparoendoscopic Surgery (WAFLES): Feasibility Study in Porcine Model**

Tatsuo Igarashi et al. Journal of Laparoendoscopic & Advanced Surgical Techniques Volume: 22 Issue 1, 2012

Real-time updated 3D ultrasound Navigation for WaFLES



Experiment for real-time navigation
for movable and deformable target



In vivo experiment
on WaFLES Model (animal)

Automatic surgical workflow analysis using navigation information

Case 1: iMRI-guided Glioma Surgery

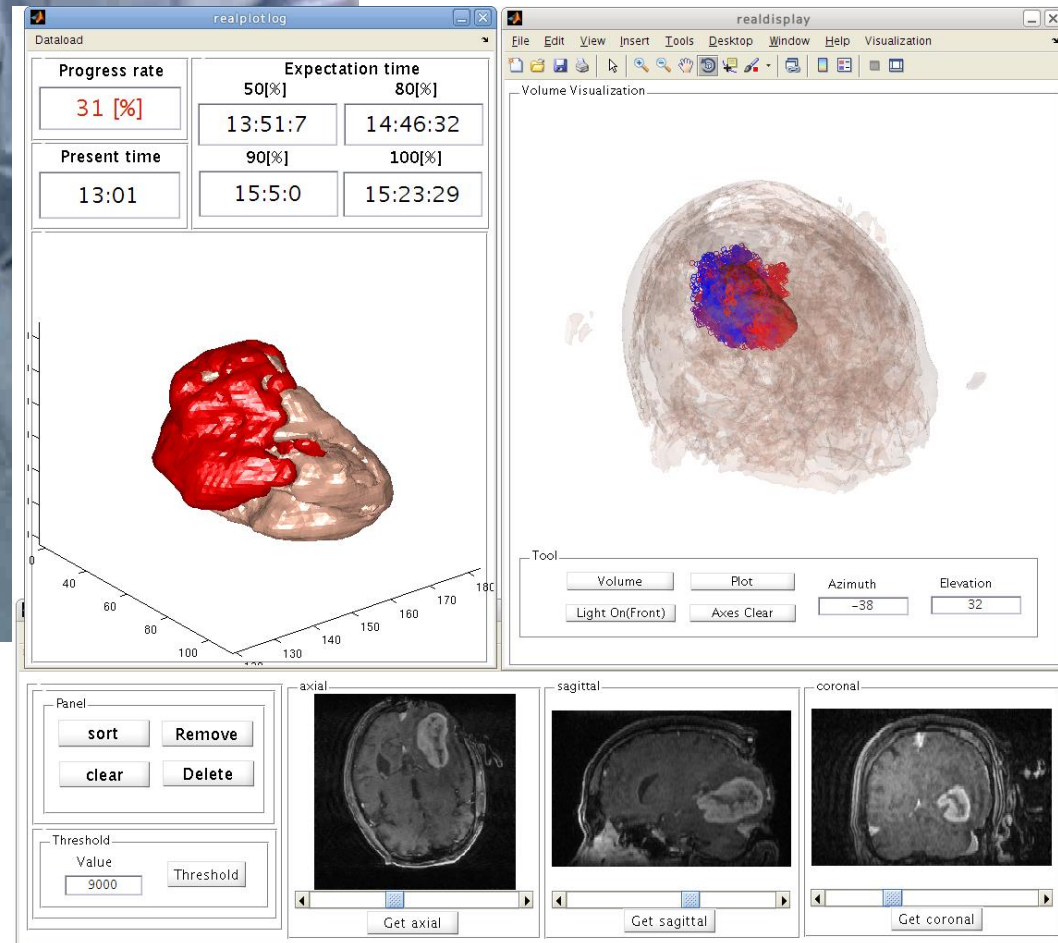
Computer Assisted Surgery based on Intraoperative Information and Navigation Technology

- Evaluation of performance of surgeon/procedure/device
 - Record, Analyze, Visualize
 - By human: hard task, long time, high cost, error
 - By new device: Do not disturb surgical procedure
- Demand for Automatic Recording/Analysis/Visualization
 - Quantitative digital data for computer processing
 - No effect on surgical procedure and environment



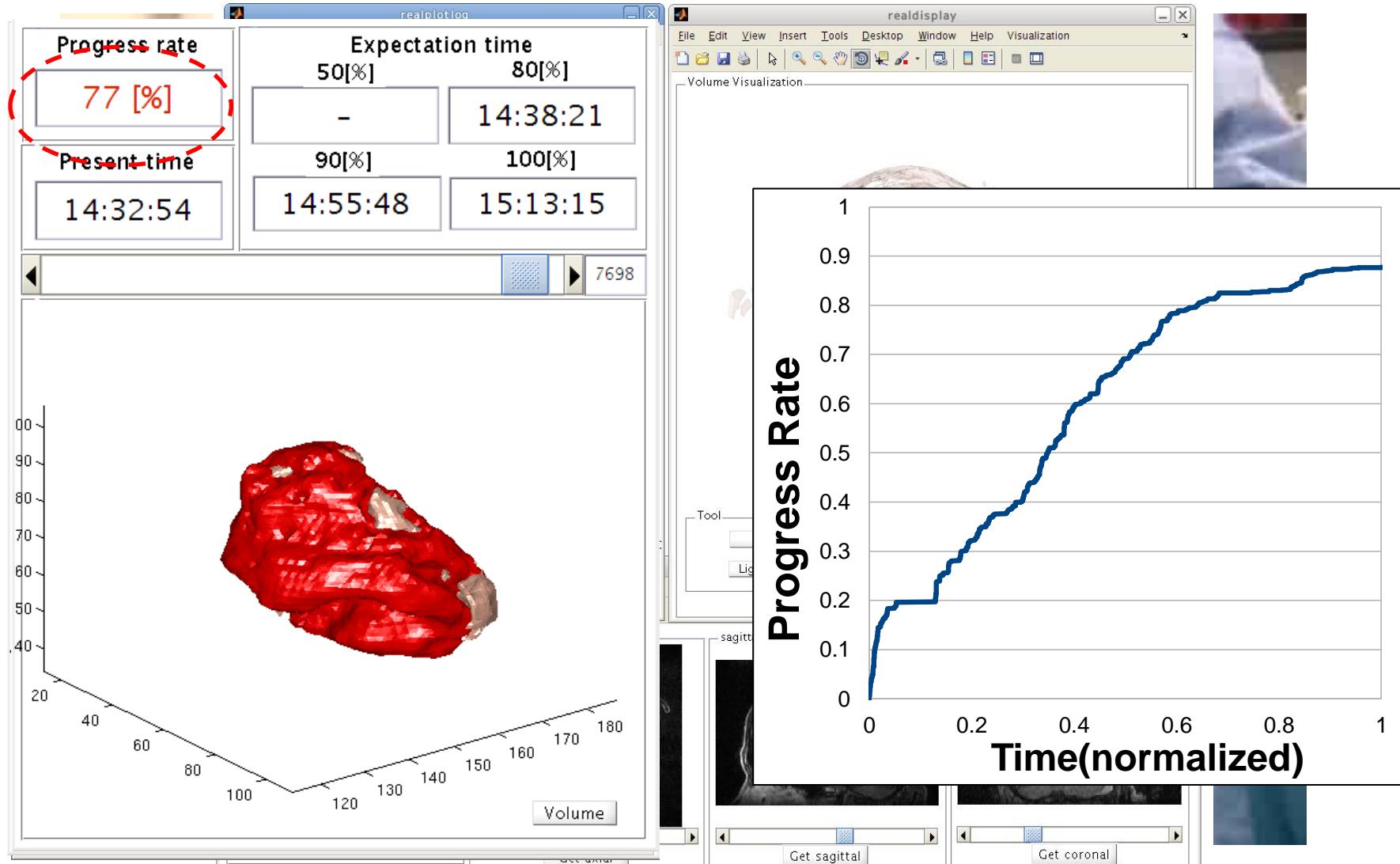
Automatic analysis using navigation information

Process analysis system using surgical navigation 1: Visualization of Progress Rate $P(t)$

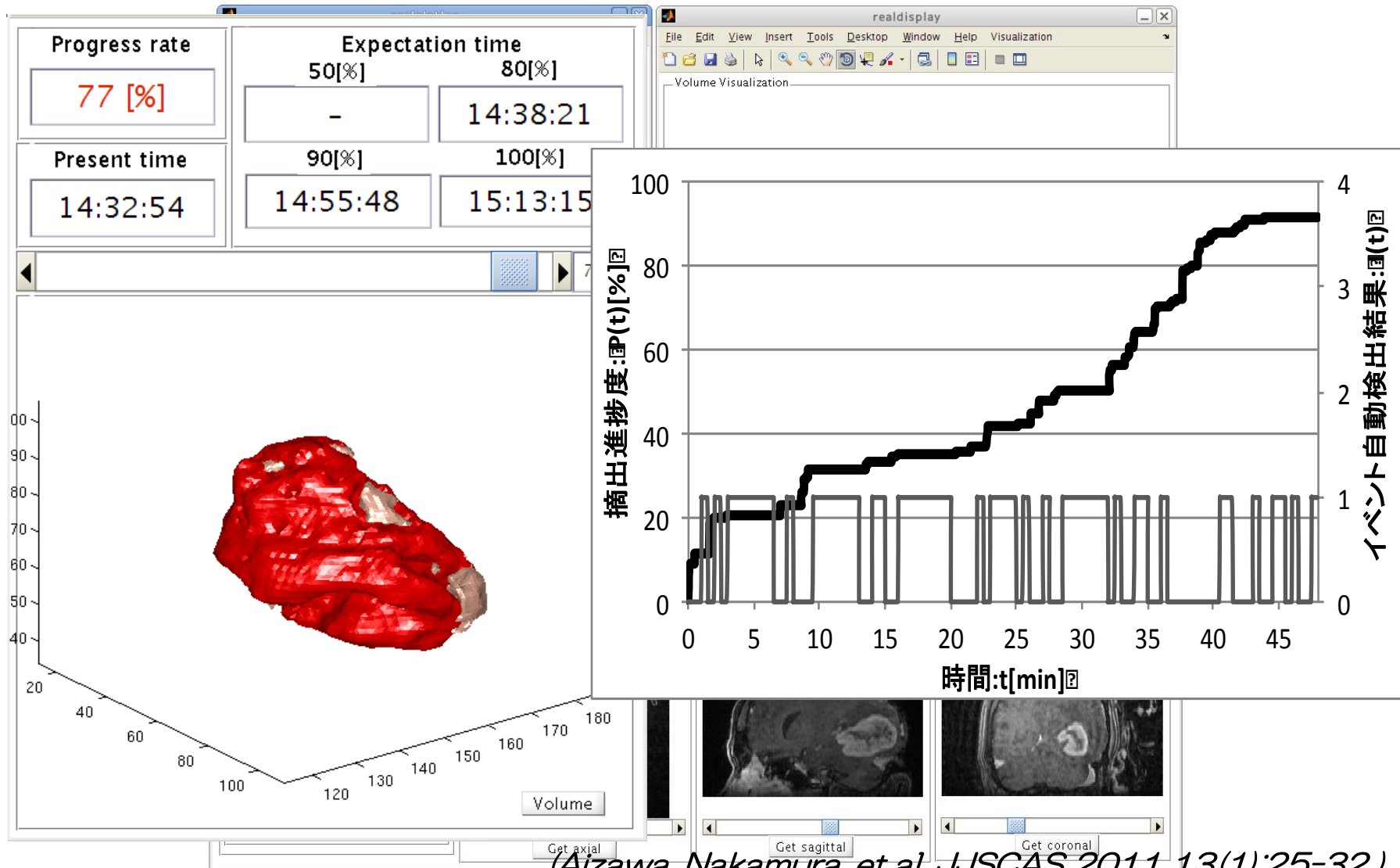


Process analysis system using surgical navigation

1: Visualization of Progress Rate $P(t)$



Process analysis system using surgical navigation 2: Automatic detection of intraoperative events

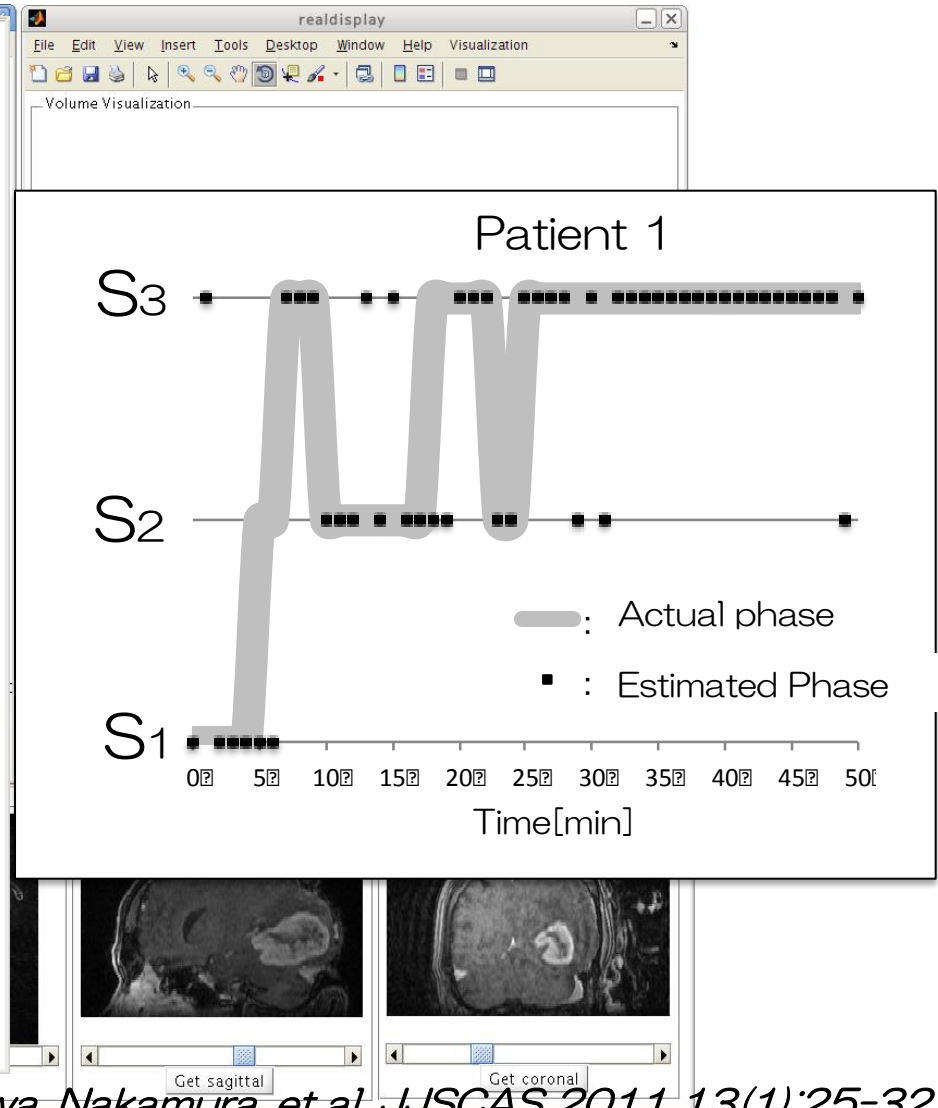
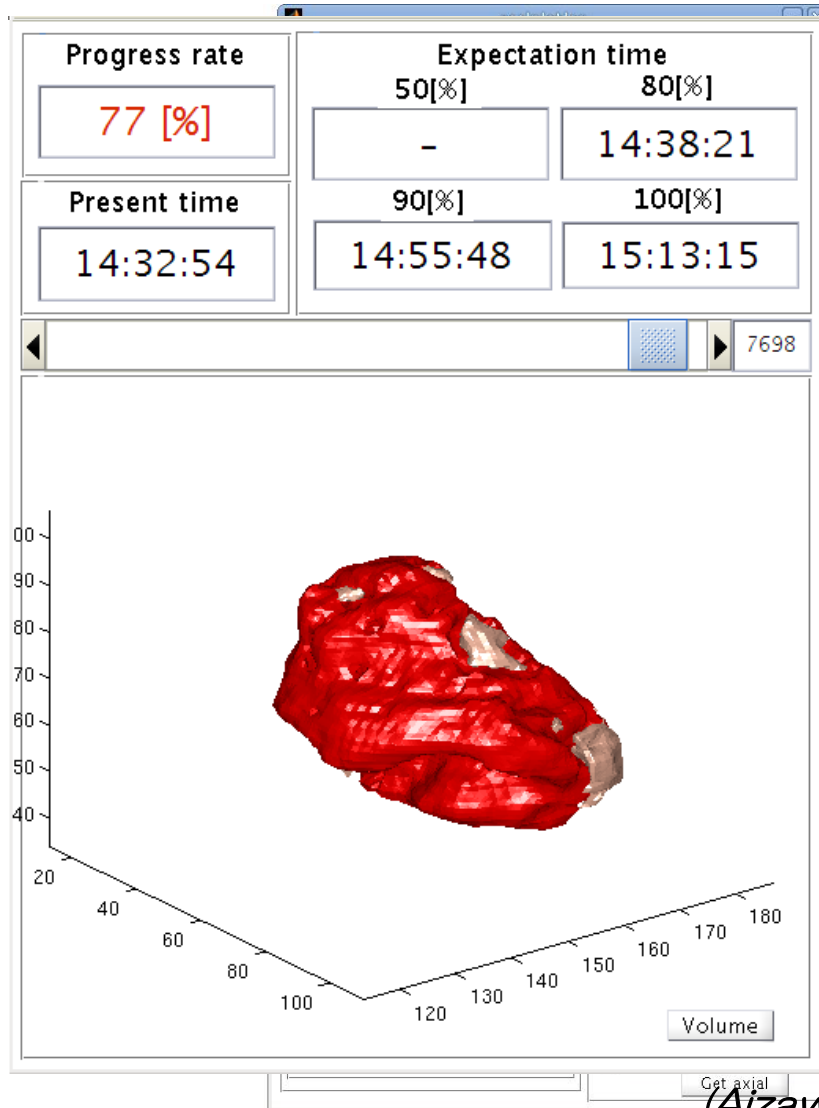


(Aizawa, Nakamura, et al, JJSCAS 2011 13(1):25-32)

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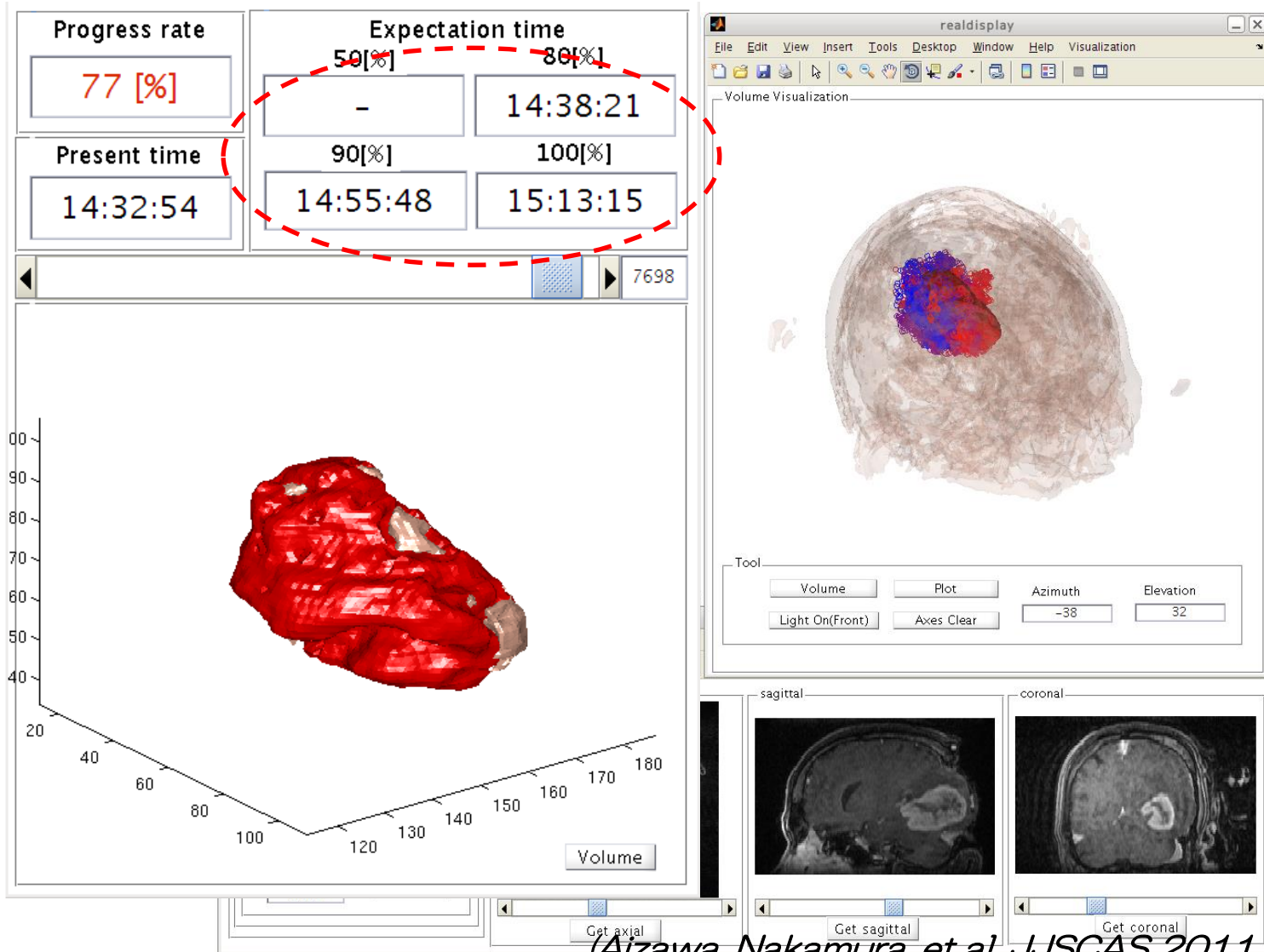
Process analysis system using surgical navigation

3: Automatic detection of stage of procedure



Process analysis system using surgical navigation

4: Prediction of the end time of treatment

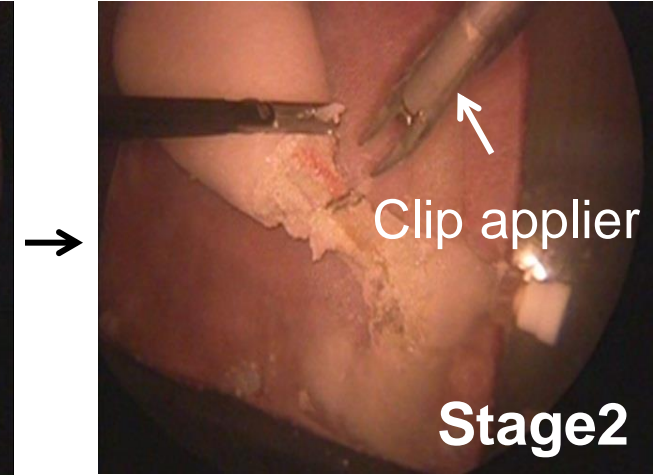
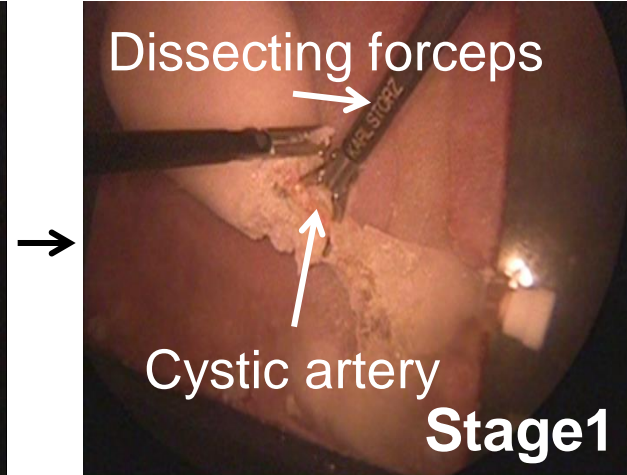


Automatic surgical workflow analysis using navigation information

Case2: Laparoscopic cholecystectomy

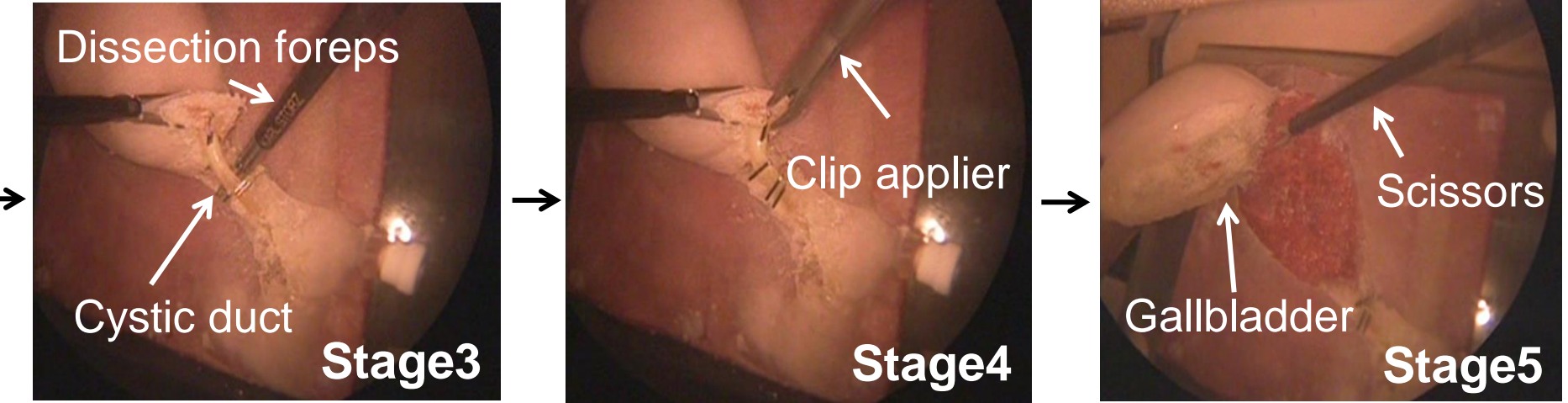
(Sugino, JSES2012)

Workflow of laparoscopic cholecystectomy



Stage	Operation	Tools
Stage1	Dissection of Cystic duct or artery ↓	Scissors, dissecting forceps
Stage2	Clipping of Cystic duct or artery ↓	Clip applier
Stage3	Cutting clipped duct/artery, dissection the rest of them ↓	Scissors, dissecting forceps
Stage4	Clipping of the duct/artery ↓	Clip applier
Stage5	Cutting clipped duct/artery, dissection of gallbladder	Scissors, dissecting forceps

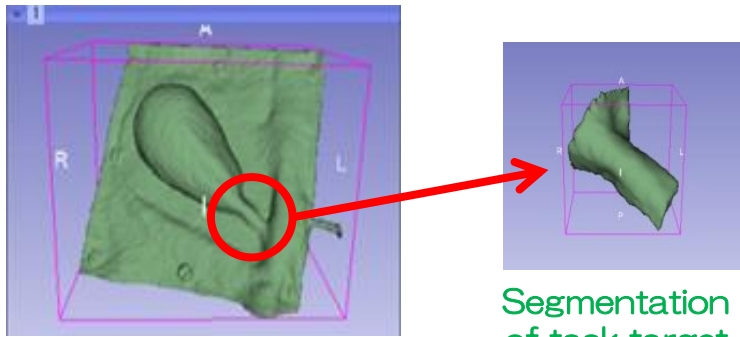
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Automatic Assessment of Task Progress on Each Stage

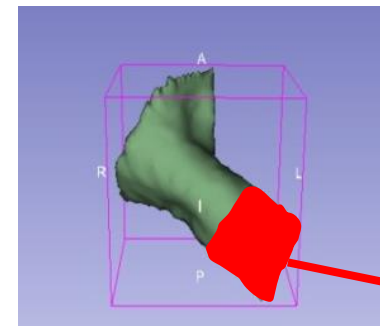
Step1 Segmentation



Organ Model

Segmentation
of task target
region

Step2 Task analysis



Segmented region

Contact with
Instrument
region by
instrument
||

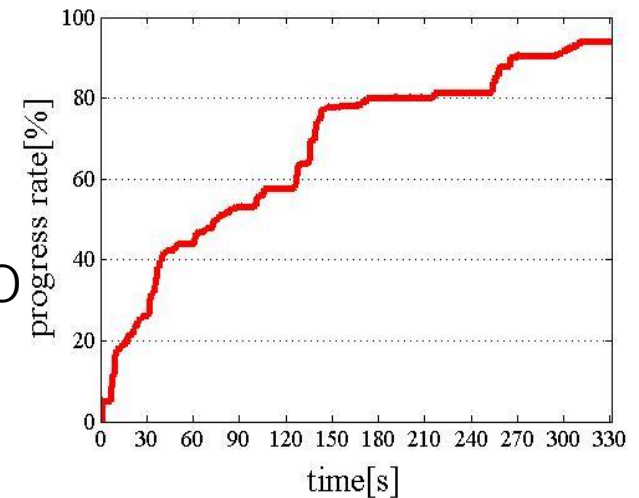
Task Completed

Step3 Progress Rate

Progress rate of Stage N (N=1,3,5)

$$P_N(t) [\%] =$$

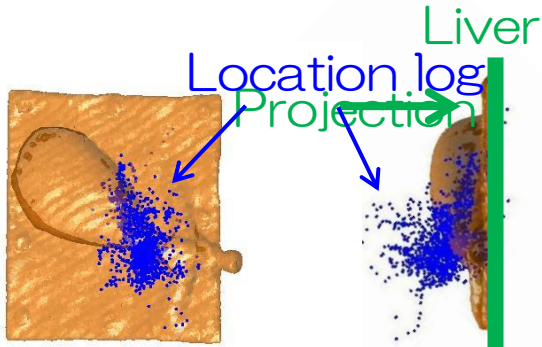
$$\text{Task Completed Volume} / \text{Total Volume} \times 100$$



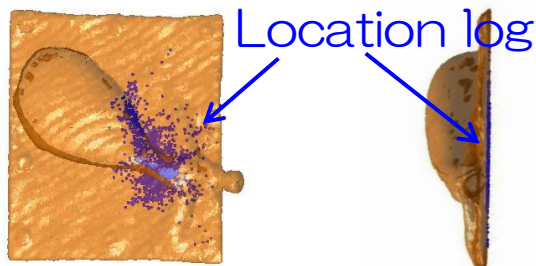
Automatic Analysis of Procedure Distribution

Step 1

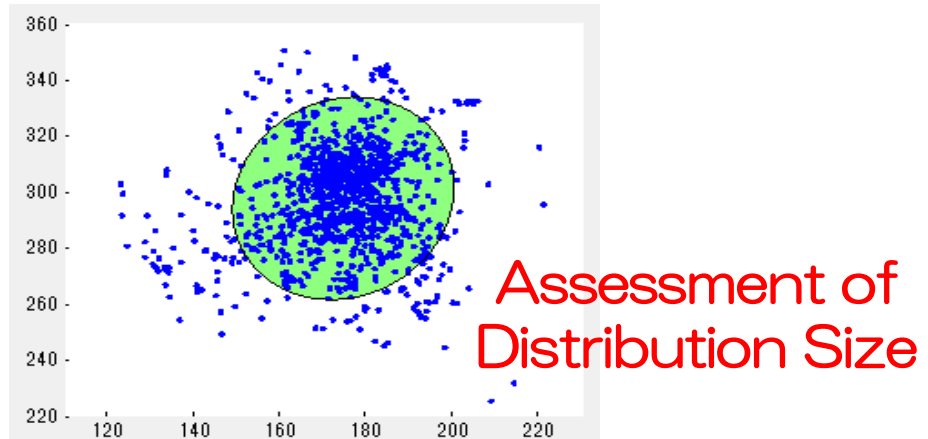
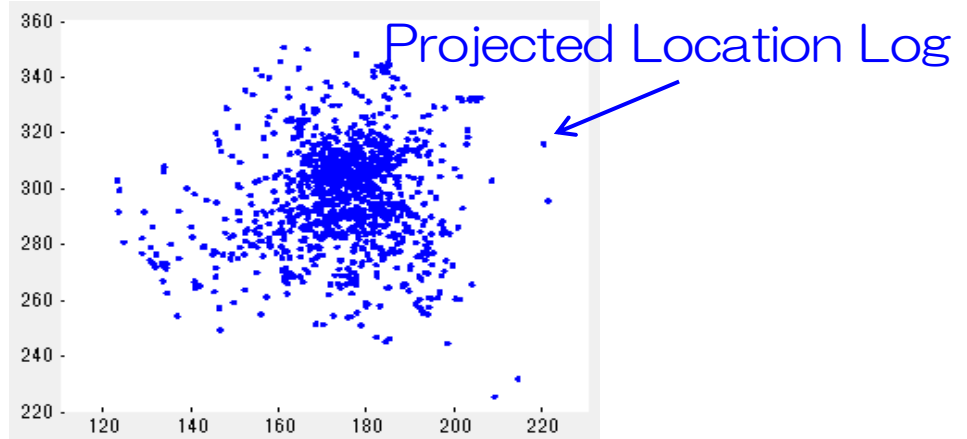
3D → 2D Distribution



2D Distribution



Step 2 Distribution Analysis

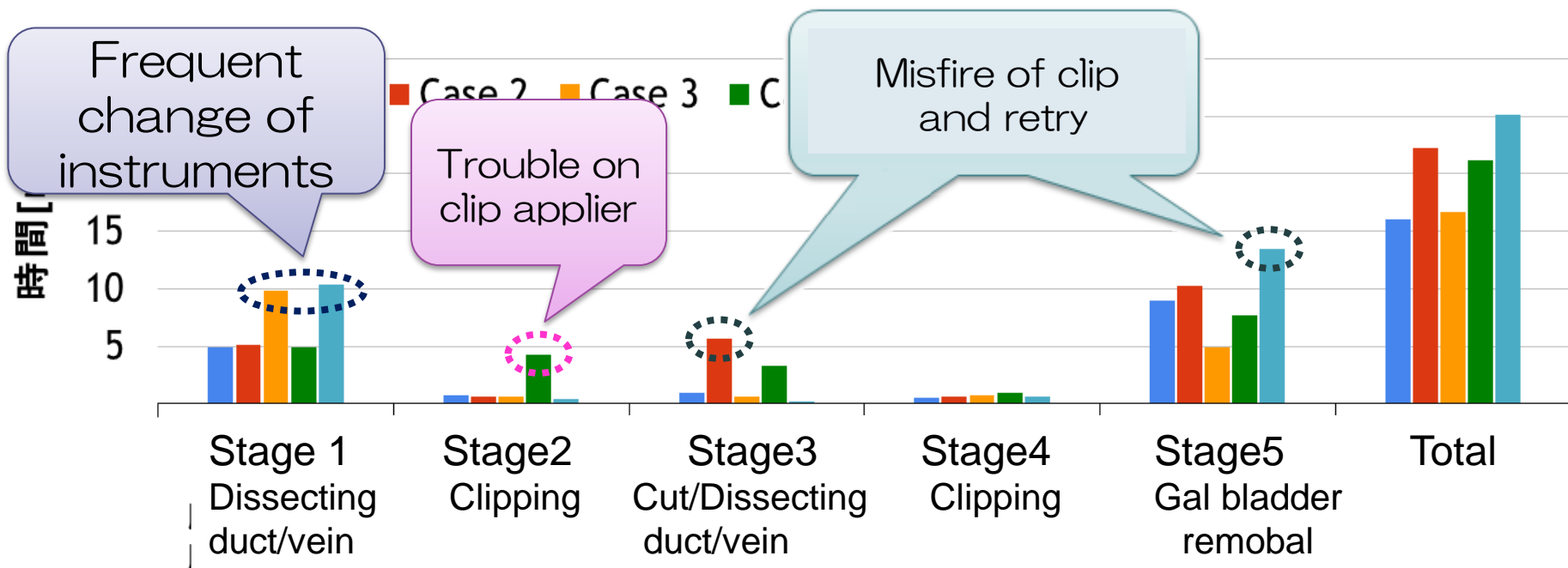


Result: Procedure time on each stage

➤ Comparison with several cases by one surgeon



Find some incident from the change of procedure time



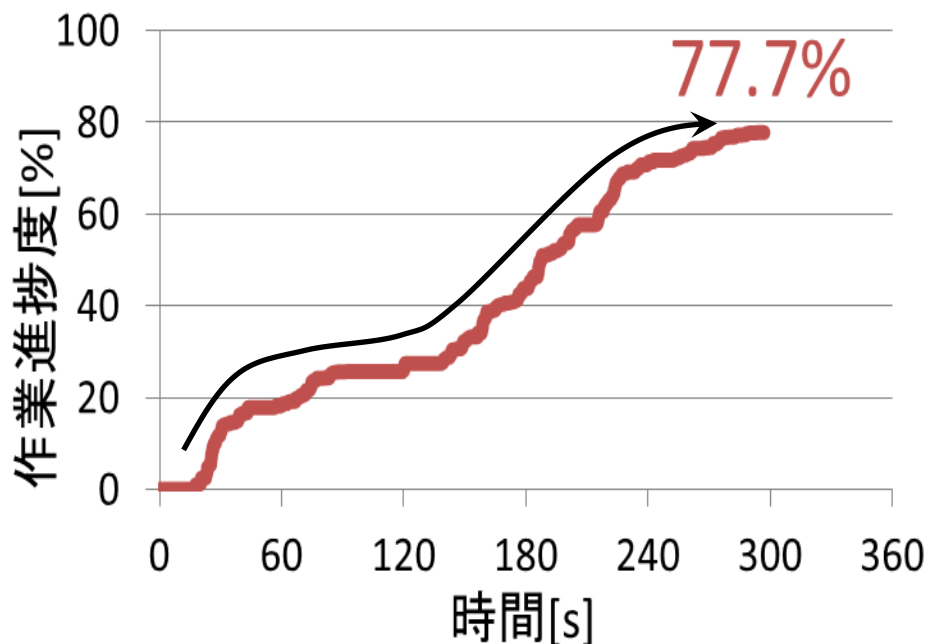
Procedure time on each stage by one surgeon (N=5)

Result: Task Progress Assessment

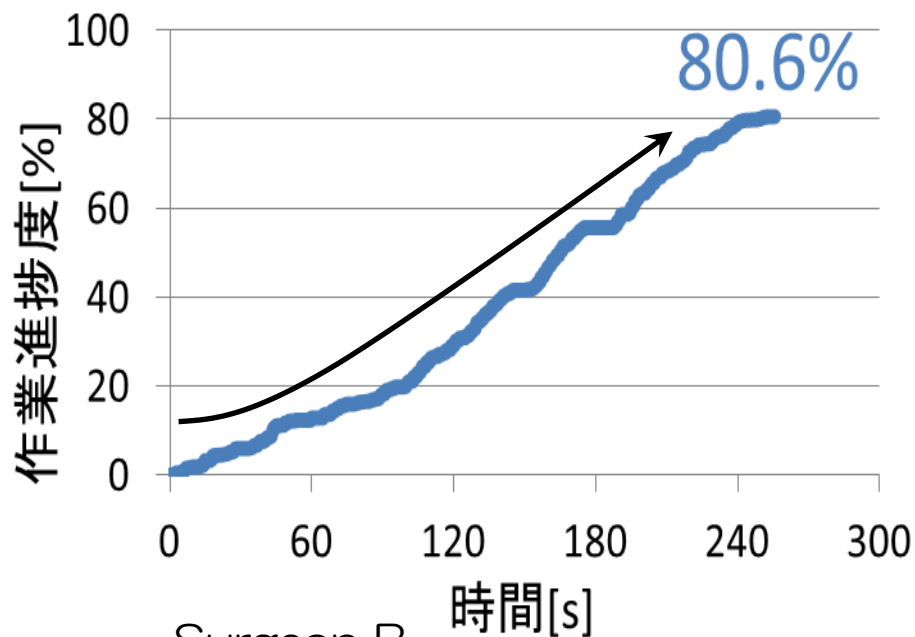
- Difference between surgeons



Progress rate data shows
the difference of ability/method/environment



Surgeon A,
Stage5(Removal of Galbladder)

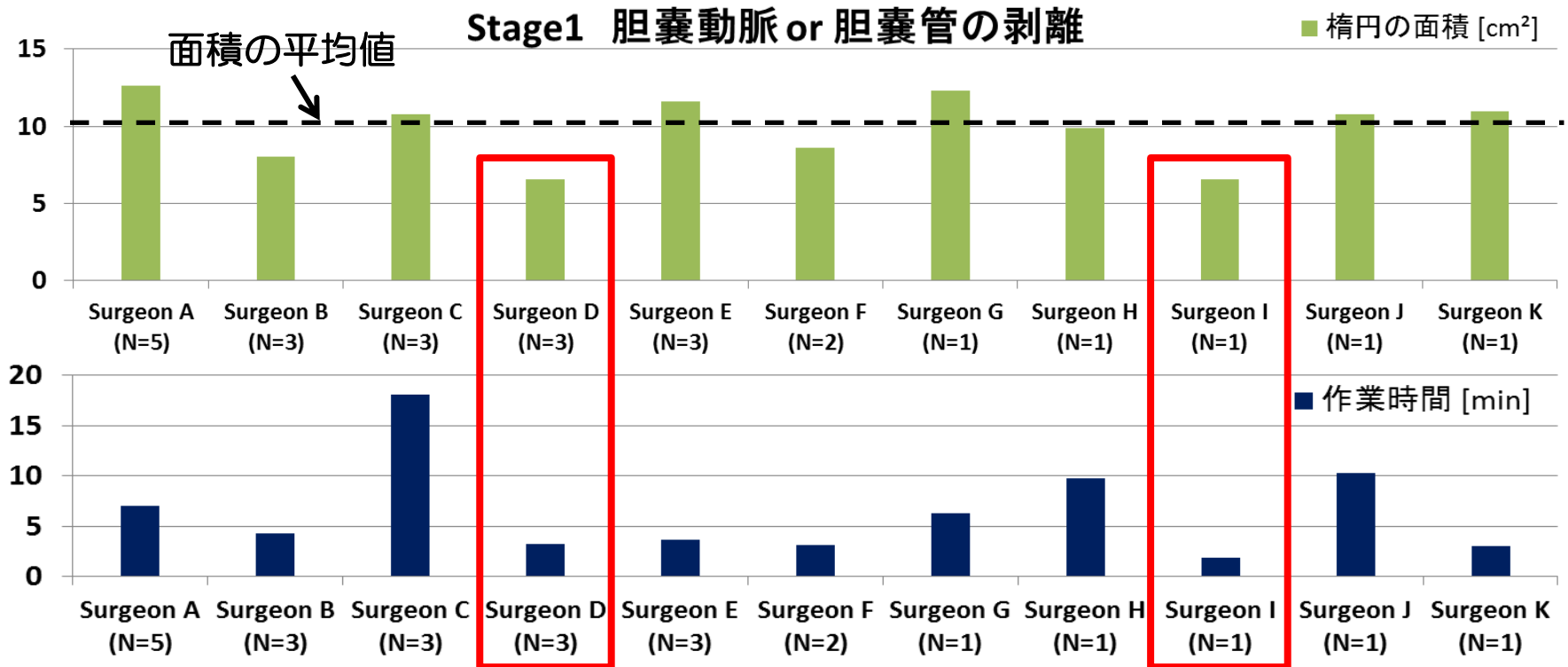


Surgeon B
Stage5(Removal of Galbladder)

Result: Task Distribution Assessment

- Comparison with the size of distribution
 - Short procedure time in small size case

Distribution may reflect the task efficiency



Distribution Size and Task Time on Stage 1

Summary

- Navigation system in next generation is

Precision guidance system for surgeon
with real-time updated information of
target condition

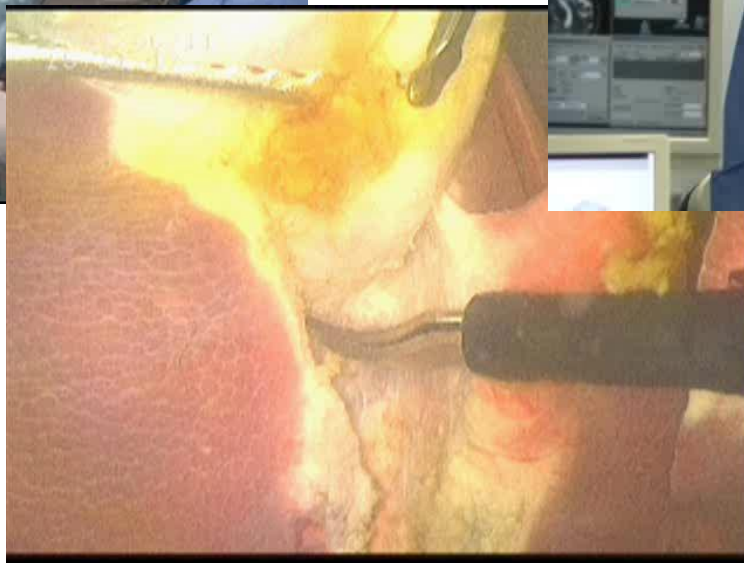
- Need for high-speed and portable
 - Intraoperative imaging
 - Intraoperative processing

Summary

- Navigation system in next generation is

Digital recorder/analyzer for surgical procedure

- Automatic recording and computing in OR
- Protect individual personal information
- Future Application
 - Digital Reference Data: General procedure of surgery
 - Quantitative evaluation of performance



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