

# **Micro-neurosurgical system in the deep surgical field**

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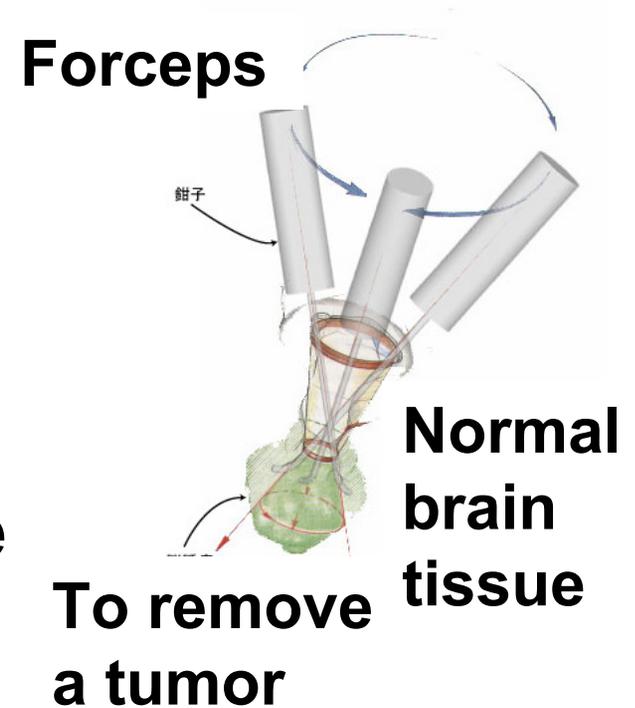
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# Introduction

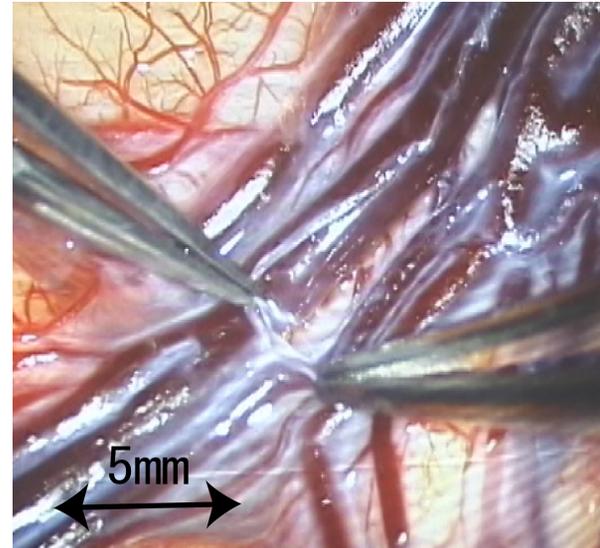
- **System should be applicable in routine microsurgery.**
- **System should be maneuverable in the deep & narrow surgical field.**
- **Relatively wide range of motion at the depth should be equipped.**
- **Secure procedure need to be performed.**



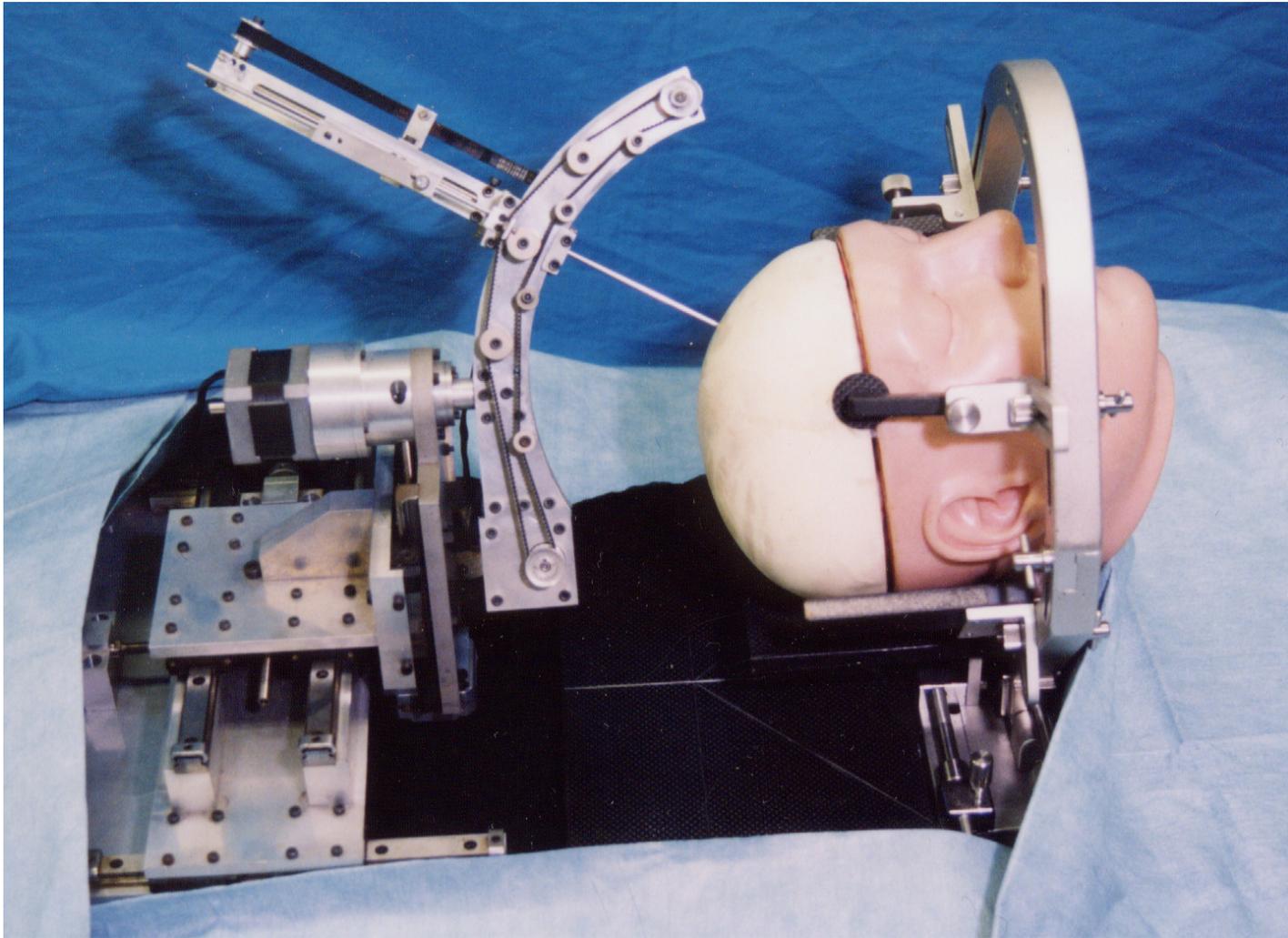
# *Introduction*

In the neurosurgery,

- Surgeon has to perform a **precise manipulation**.
- In particular, the surgical operation is difficult **in the deep surgical field**.
- It is still a challenge **to reduce the invasiveness**.



# ***Dohi, Univ. of Tokyo: Needle inserting system for neurosurgery***

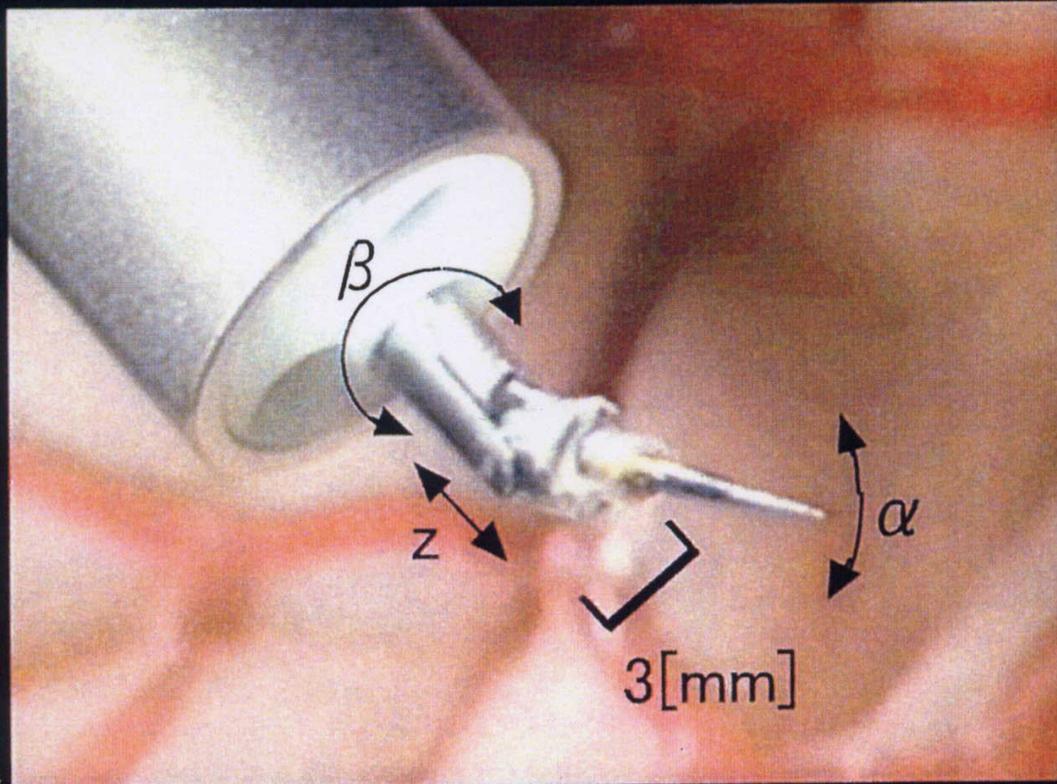


# ***Neuromate: Integrated Surgical Systems***



**Mechanical safety is not insured.**

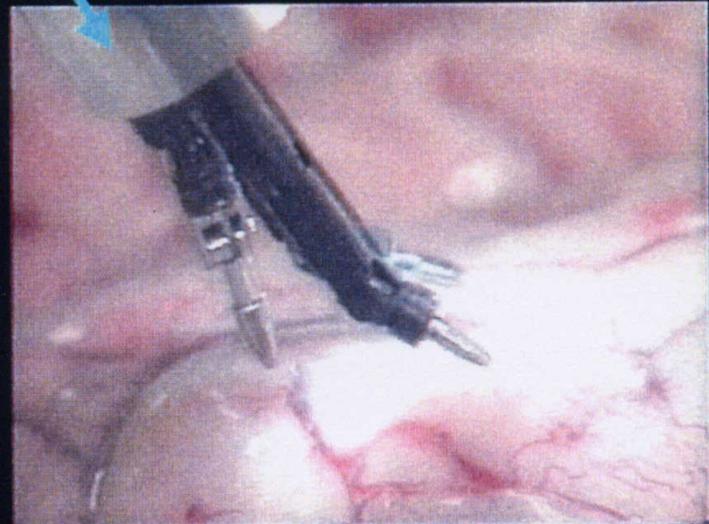
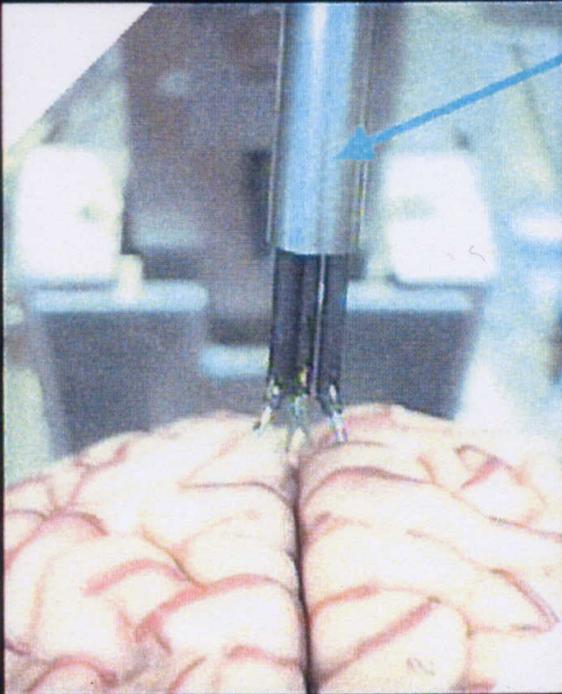
# ***Fujie, Hitachi: Small manipulator for neurosurgery***



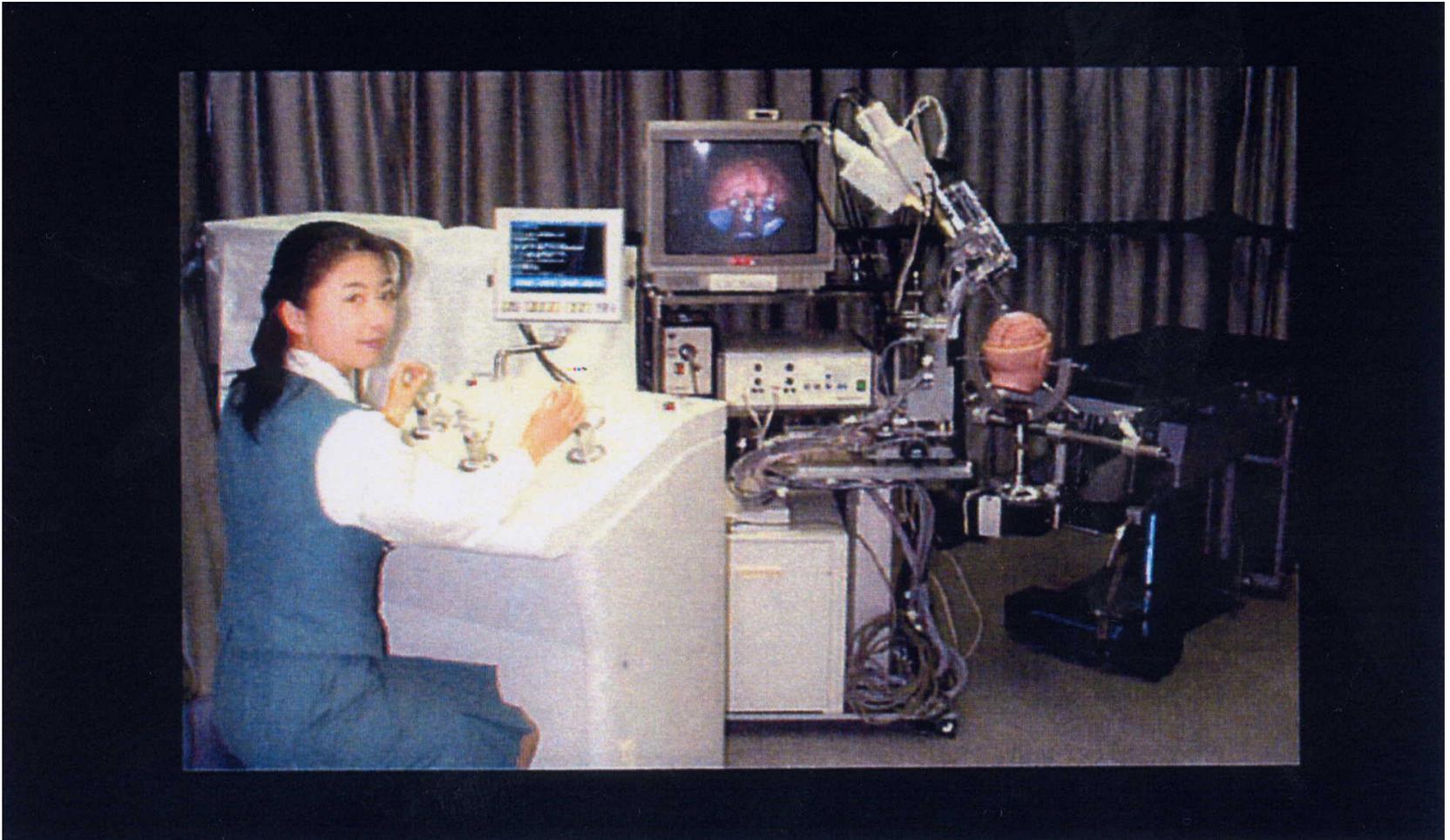
***Relative  
positioning  
accuracy: 10  
micro meter***

# *Inserting point*

**Diameter: 10mm**



# ***Master and slave system for neurosurgery***



# ***HivisCAS(High definition Visual Computer Aided Surgery)***



# *Visual system using high-vision*





**NeuRobot**



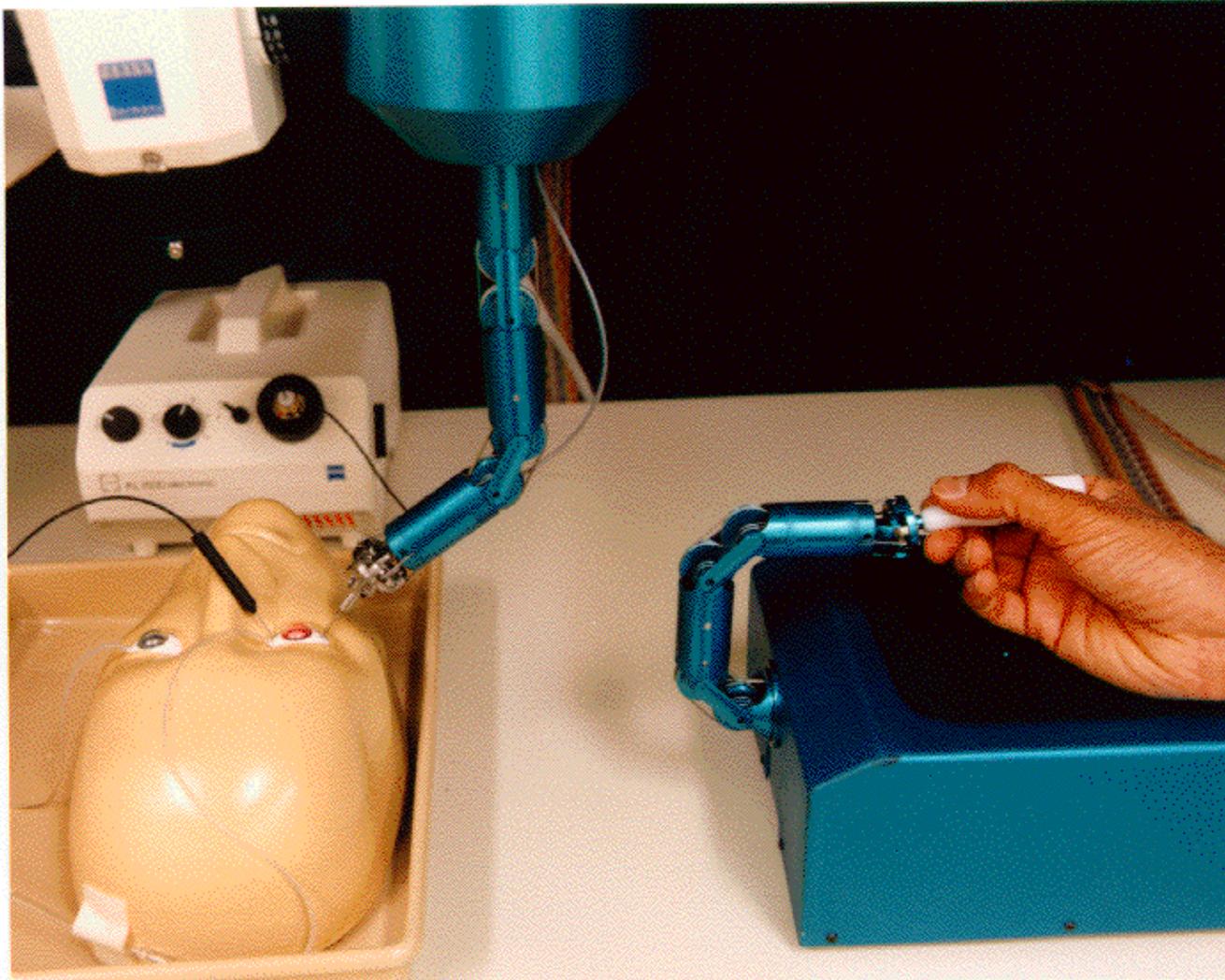
**NeuroArm**



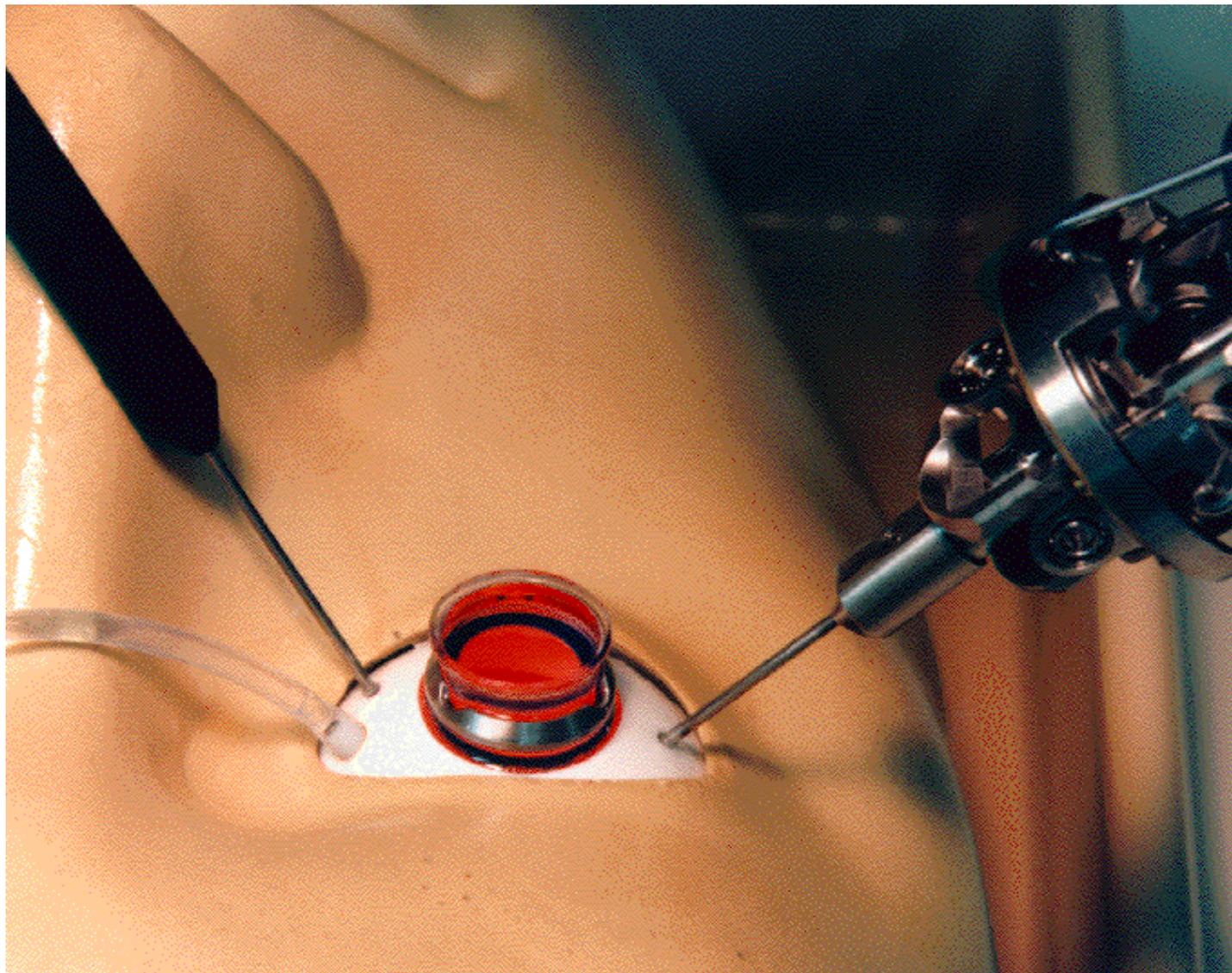
**RAMS system**

- **Fujie and Hitachi: NeuRobot**
- **D. Louw, et al.: NeuroArm**
- **P. Le Roux, et al.: RAMS system**

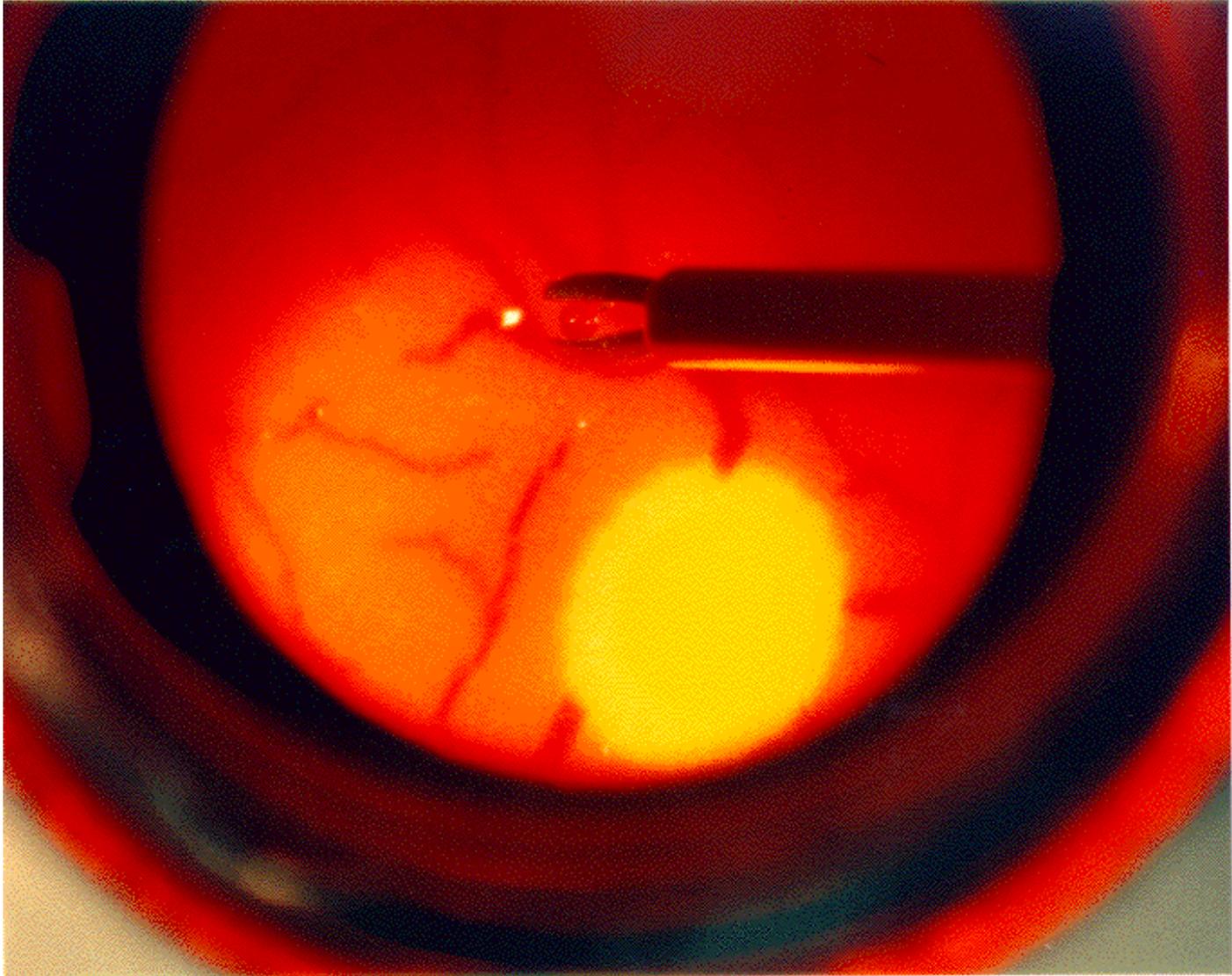
# *JPL, NASA* *Robot Assisted MicroSurgery*



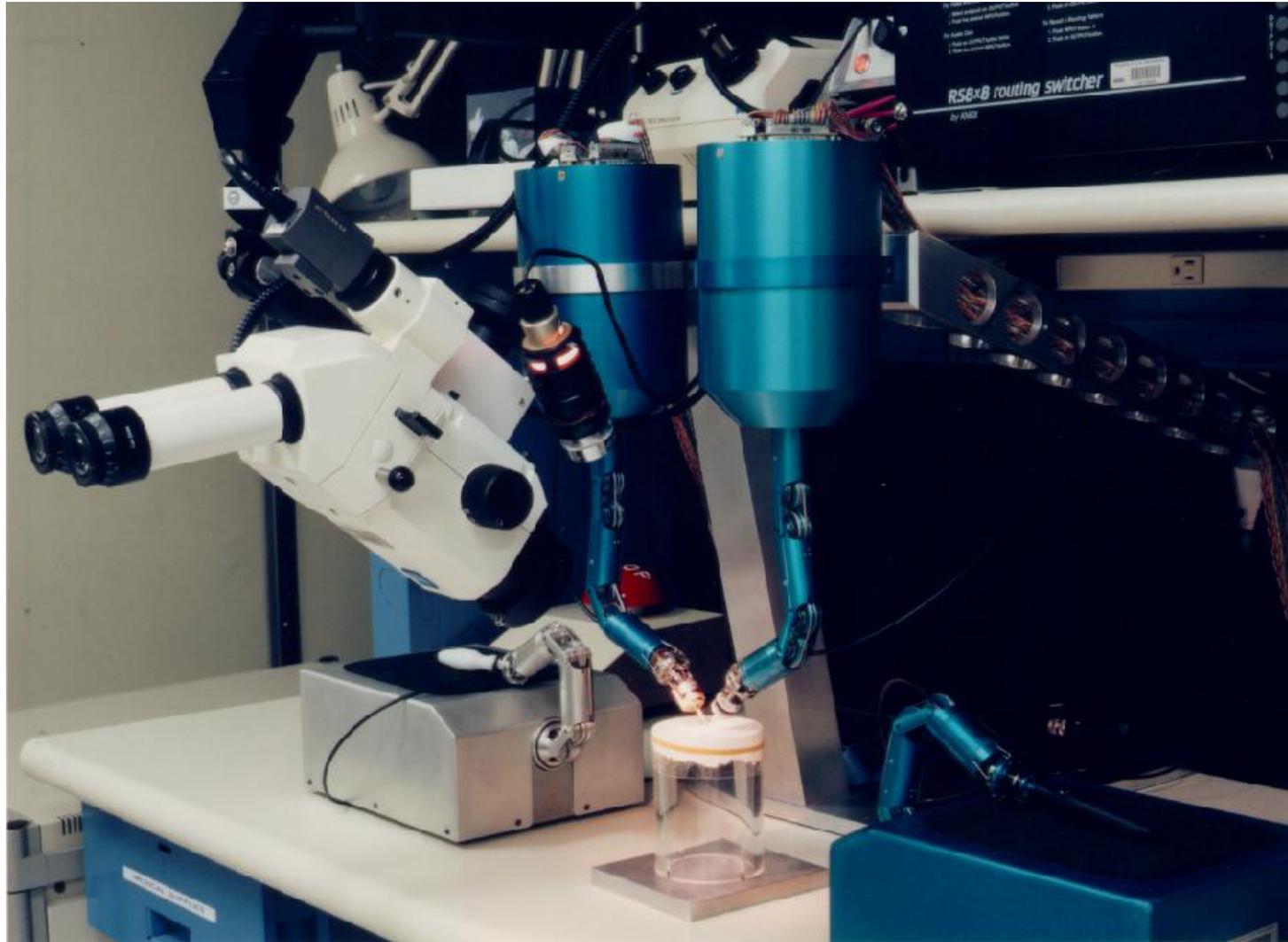
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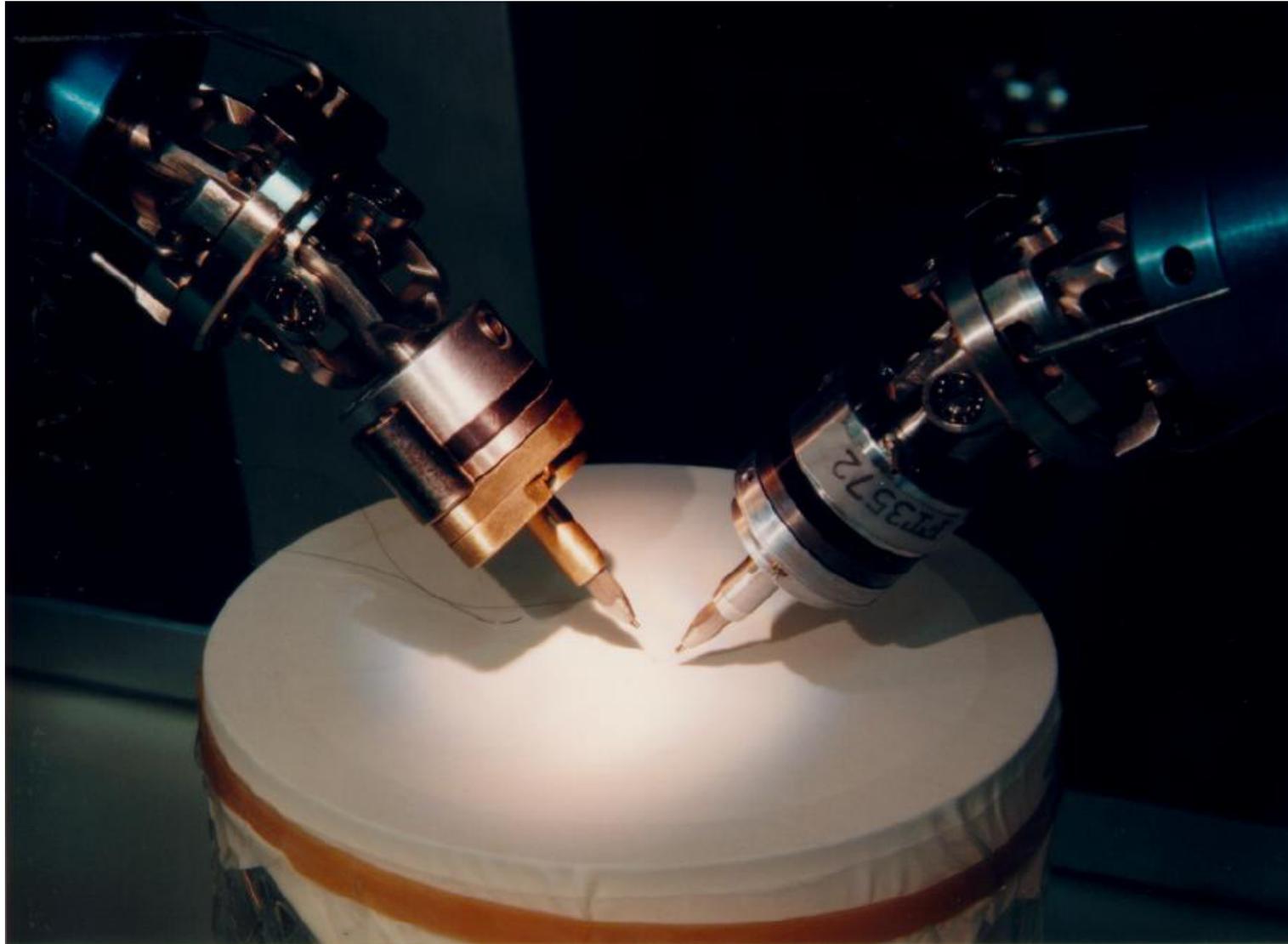
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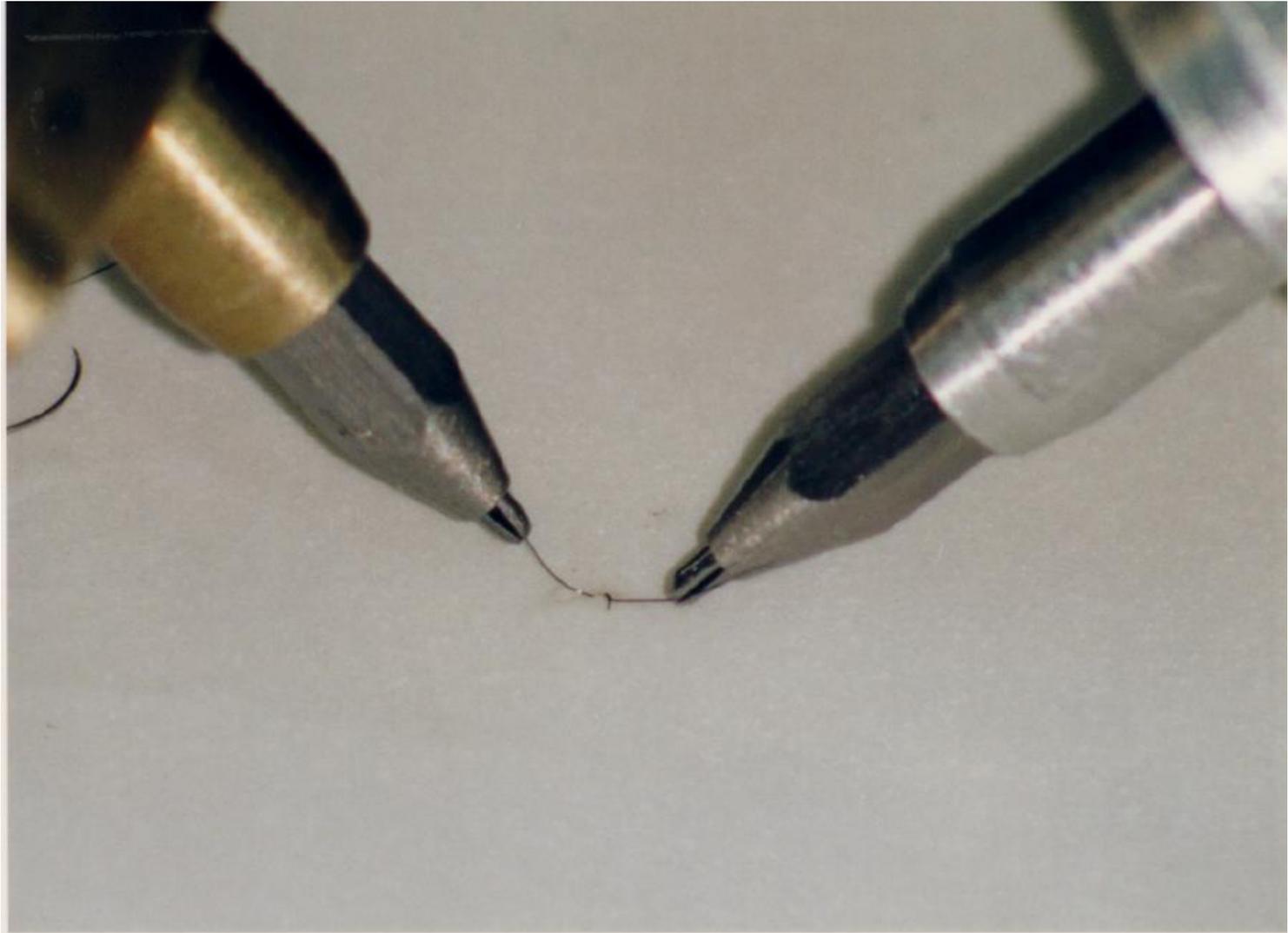
# *Dual-arm telerobotic microsurgery workstation*



# *Slave manipulators*



# ***Microsurgery suturing***



***In Touch with Robotics: Neurosurgery for the Future,  
Neurosurgery, March 2005.***

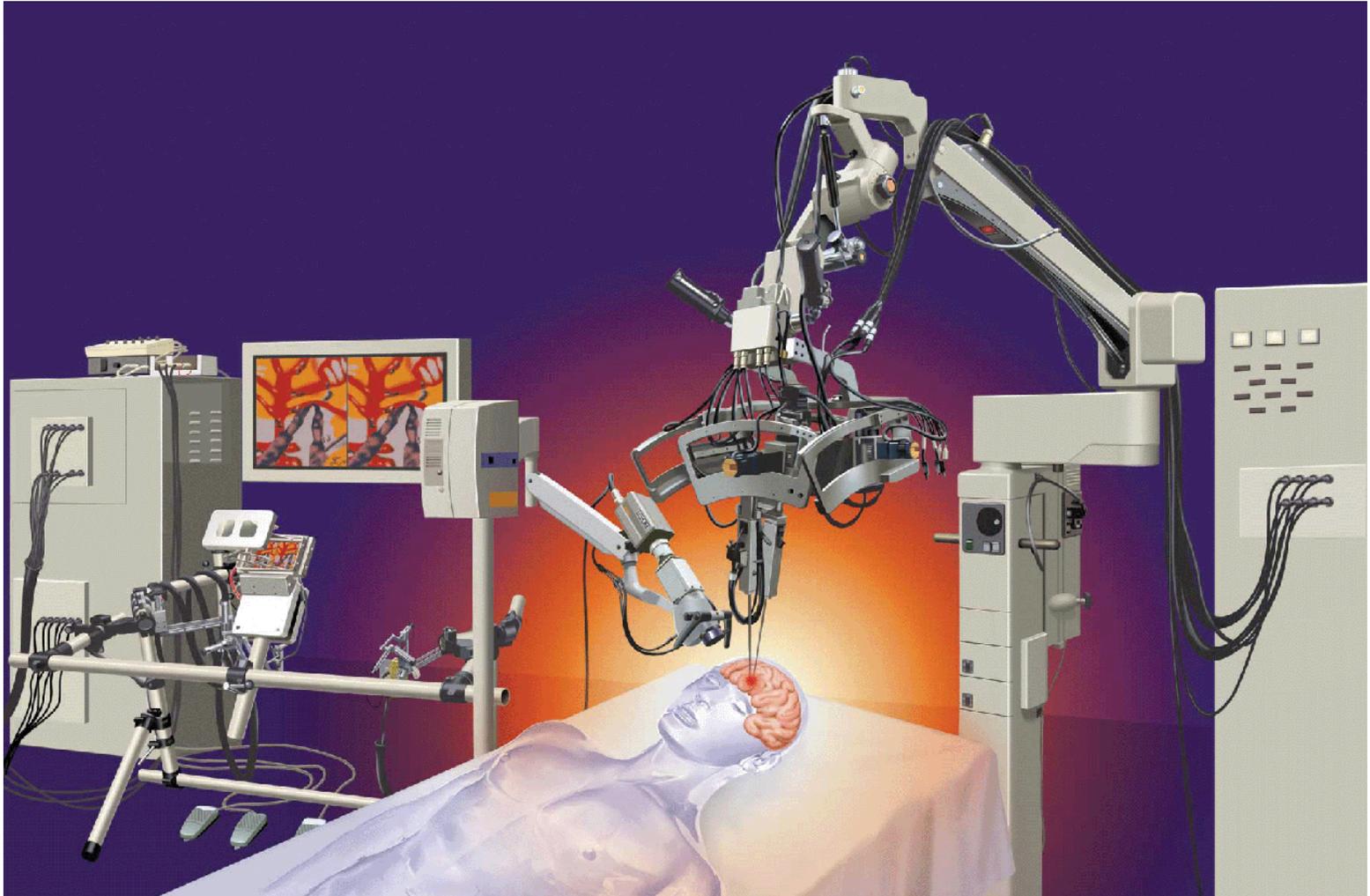
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Cleveland Clinic Foundation. Ohio, U.S.A.,***



# *Method 1: Hardware*

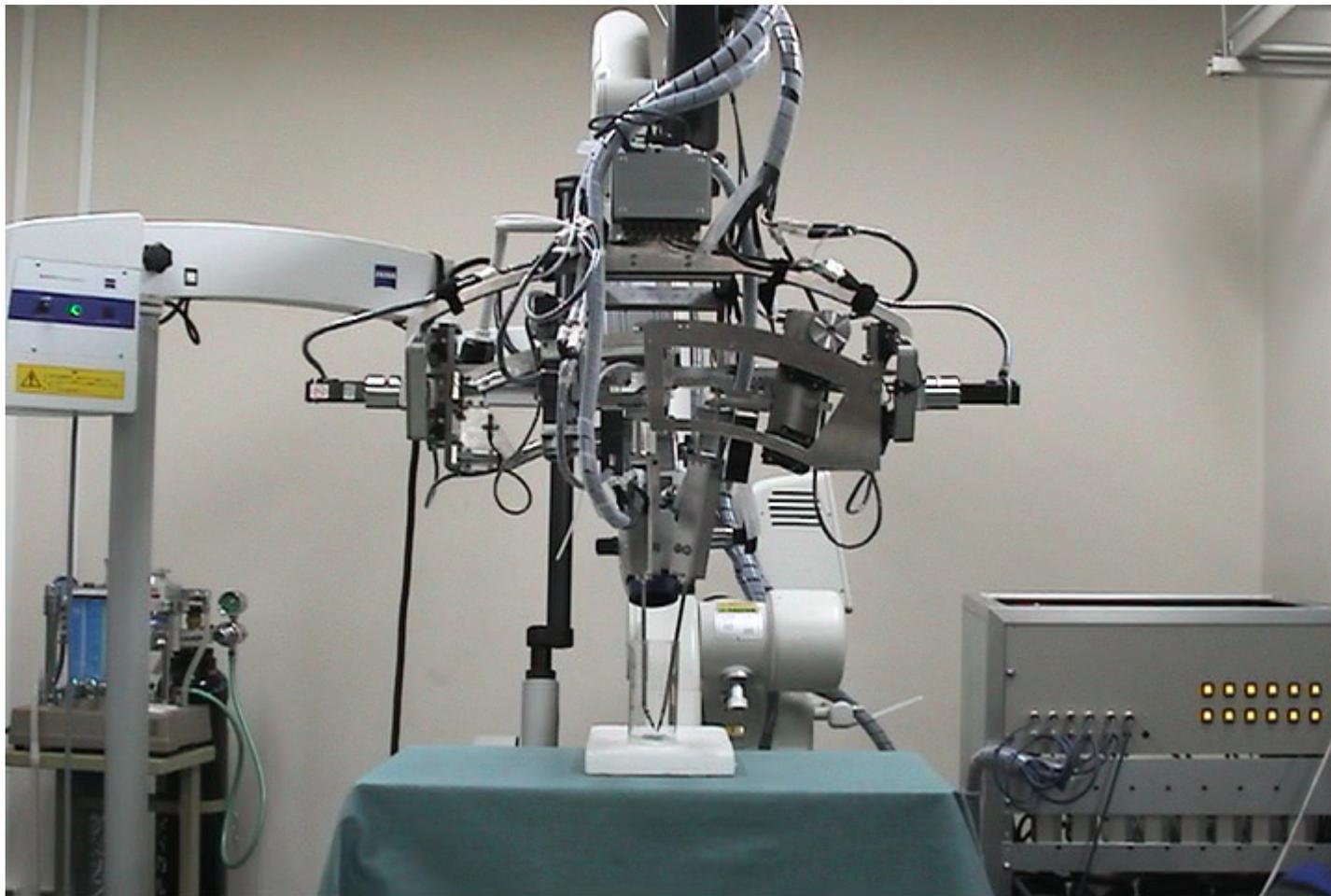
- **Robotic master-slave system**
  - **Microsurgery system: Type I was built**
  - **2 micro manipulators : 12 motion freedom**
  - **Motorized bending mechanism of the manipulator tip**
  - **Hanging base with additional 6 freedoms**
- **Visual system**
  - **3D (HD) viewer system(NHK Engineering Services, Inc.)**
  - **3D video microscope/endoscope system(Olympus)**

# *Total system design*



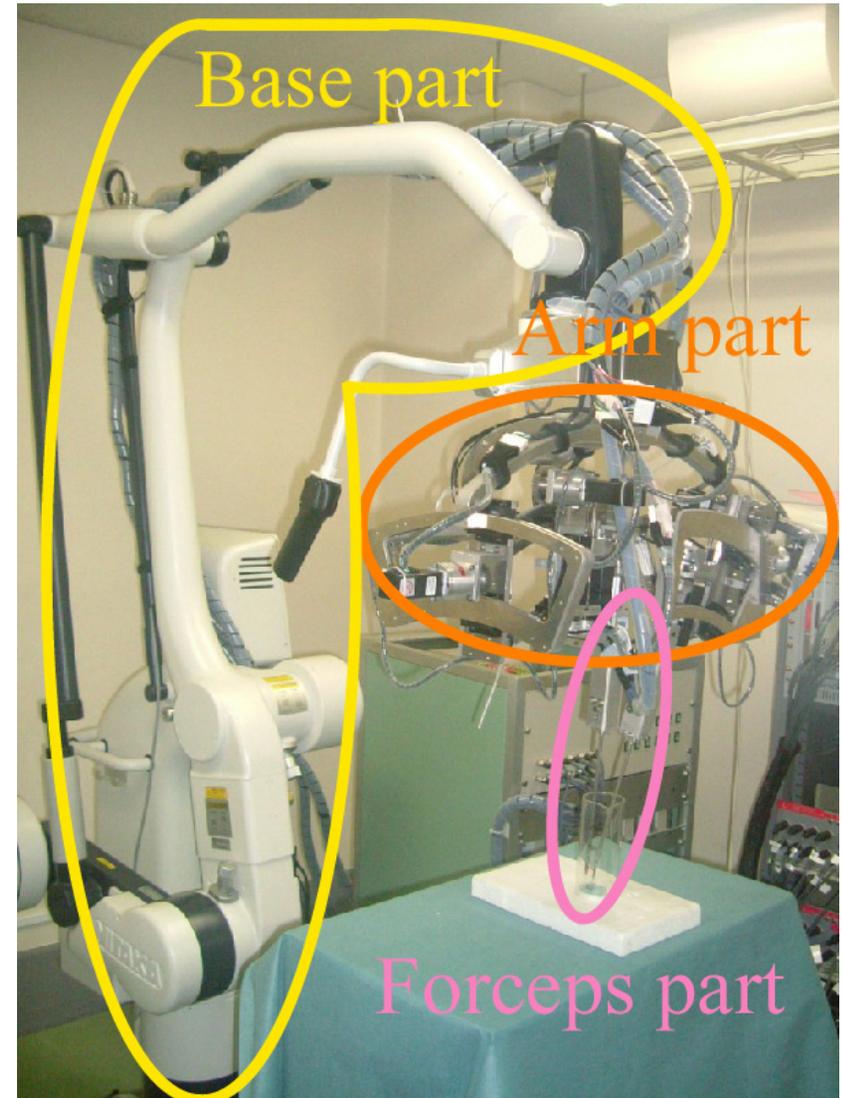
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# *Slave manipulator (MM-2)*



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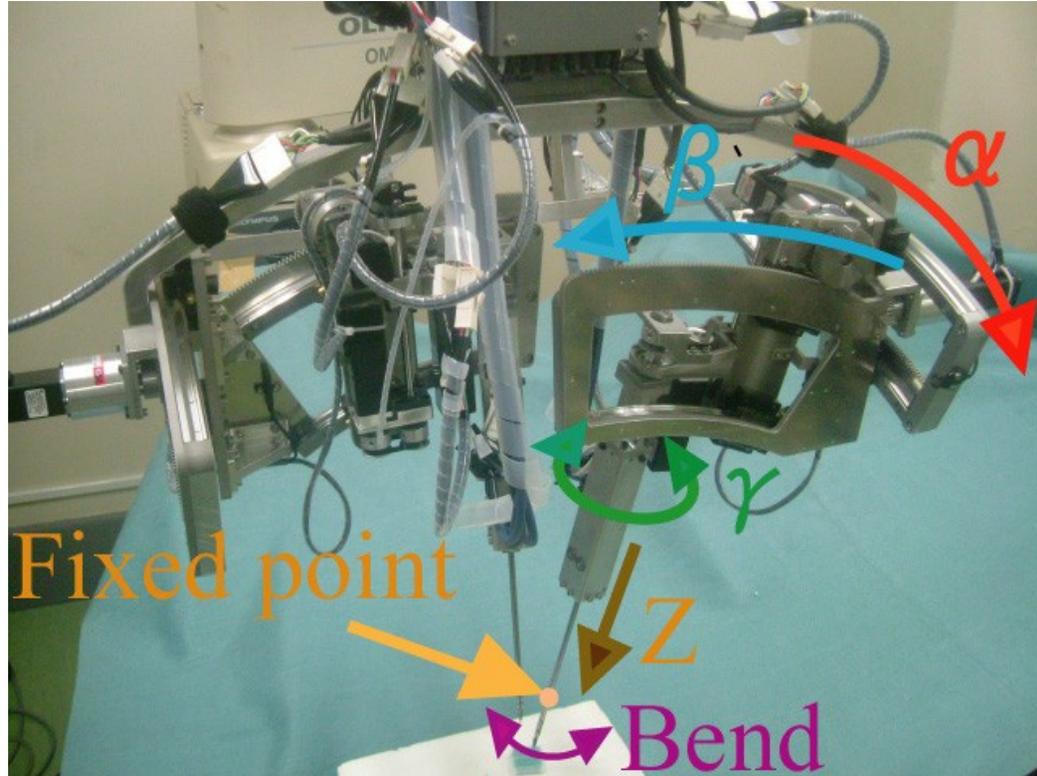
- **Forceps part**  
Motion inside of cranium
- **Arm part**  
Precise positioning outside of cranium
- **Base part**  
Pre-operative positioning for arm and forceps parts



# Slave manipulator (MM-2): Arm part

## Basic specification

- Left and right arms
- Each arm has
  - 3 rotational degrees of freedom ( $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ )
  - 1 translational degree of freedom (Z)
- Fixed point on the axis in the insertion direction



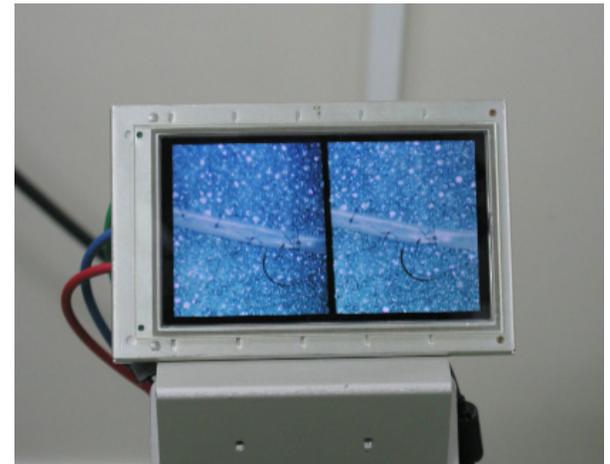
# *Visual System*



3D viewer  
(NHK engineering)



HD 3D video microscope

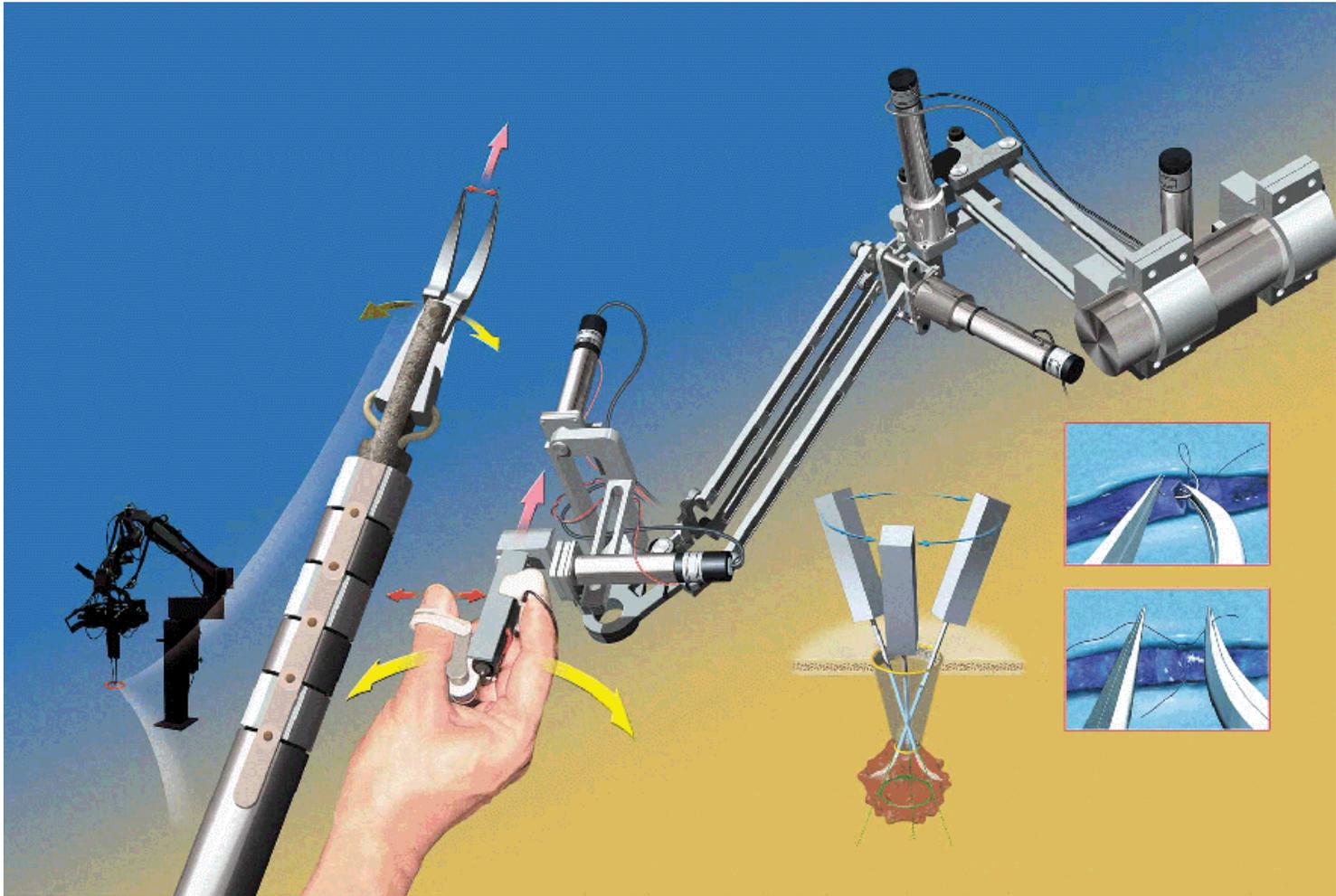


# *Master manipulator*



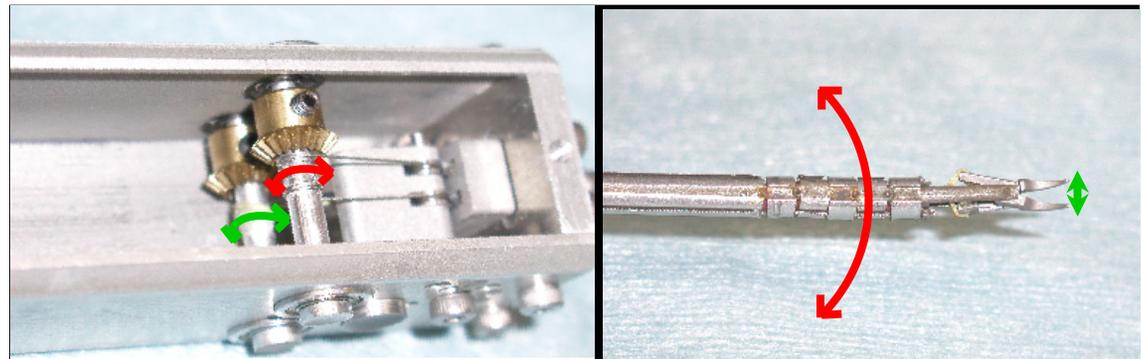
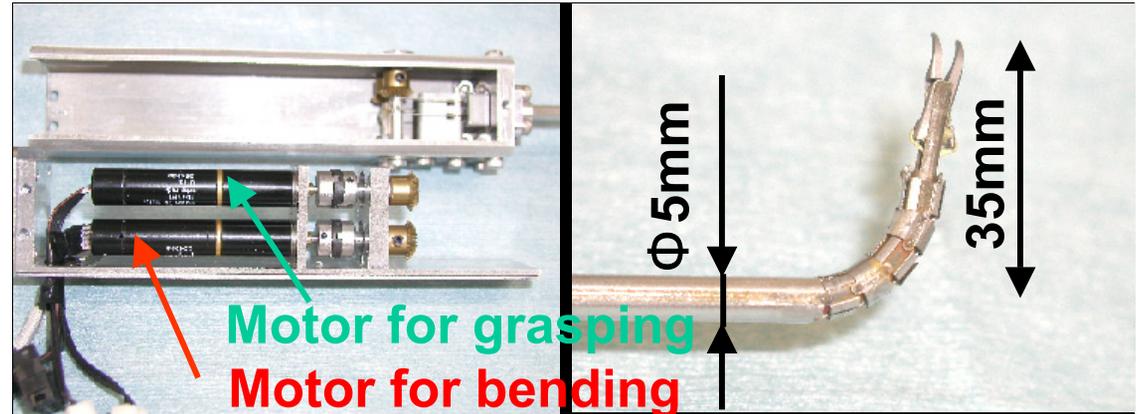
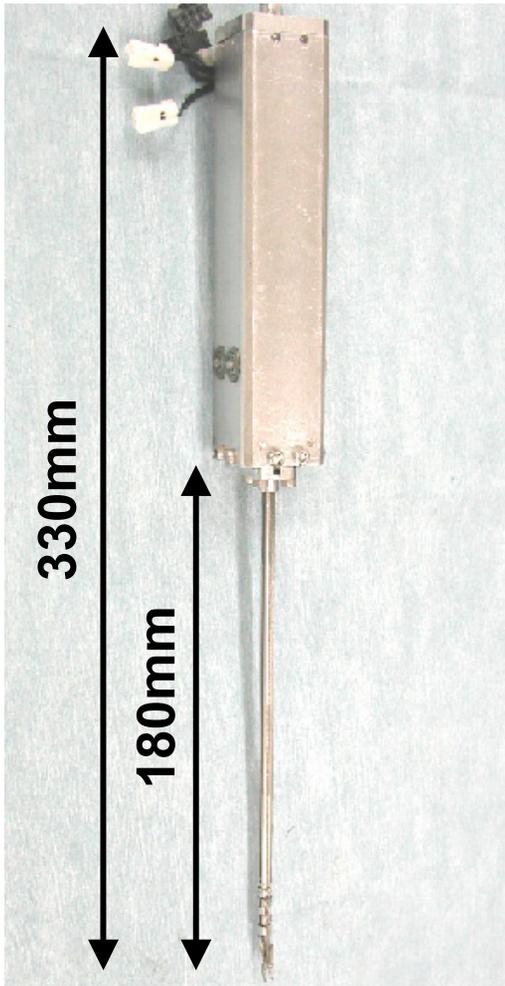
- **7 d.o.f. for each hand: 3 translational d.o.f., 3 rotational d.o.f. and 1 open/close d.o.f.**
- **Left foot pedal is used as a clutch to control the information flow from the master manipulator to the slave manipulator.**
- **Right foot pedal is used to modify the motion magnification ratio between the master and the slave manipulators.**

# *Master manipulator and the forceps*



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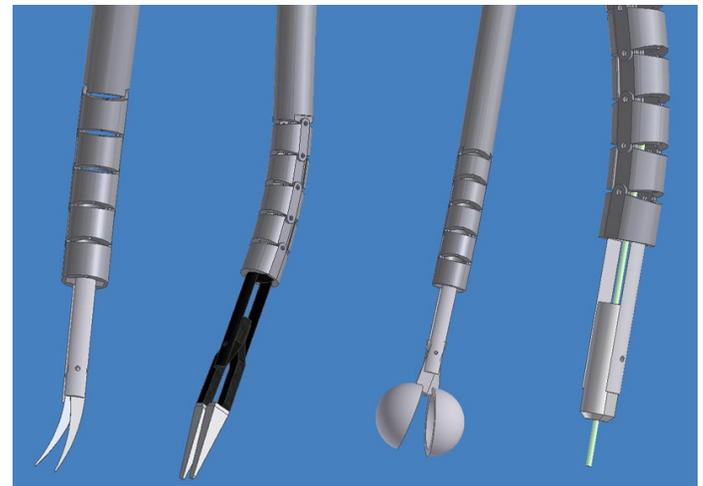
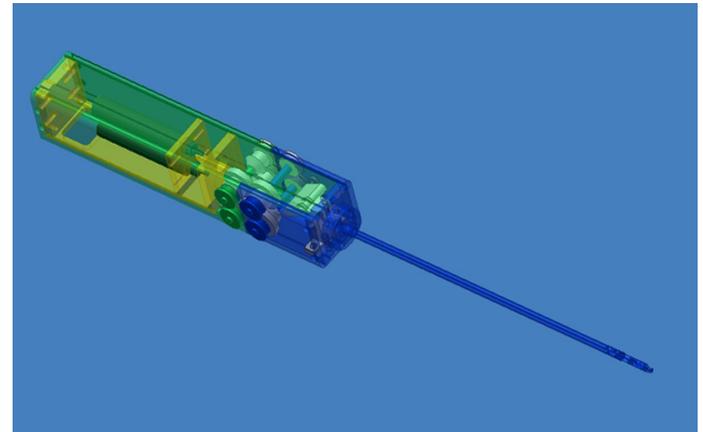
# Slave manipulator (MM-1): forceps part



An easily detachable mechanism between the insertion part and the motor of the forceps enables sterilization and irrigation of the insertion part.

# *Slave manipulator (MM-2): forceps part*

- Sterility
- Various equipments
- Miniaturization
- Safety
- Force feedback
- Virtual simulation
- Automation

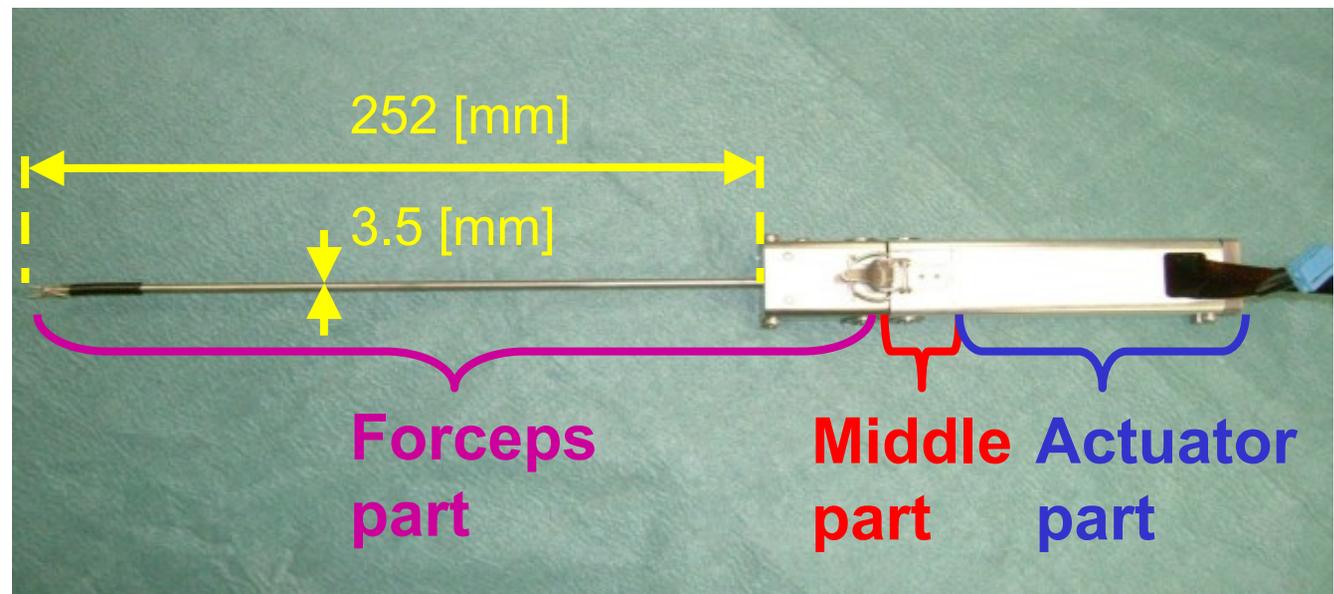
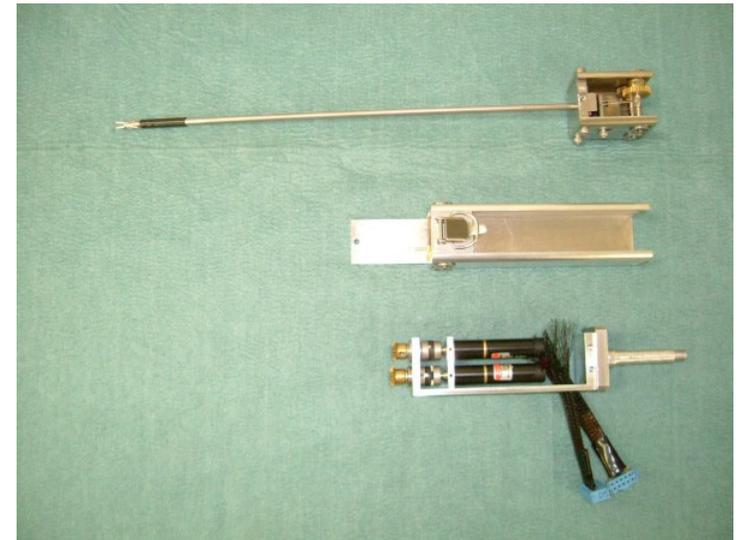


# Slave manipulator (MM-2): forceps part

- The forceps consists of **forceps part**, **middle part** and **actuator part**.

- One bending d.o.f. } **2 d.o.f.**
- One grasping d.o.f. }

- **Stainless wire driven**



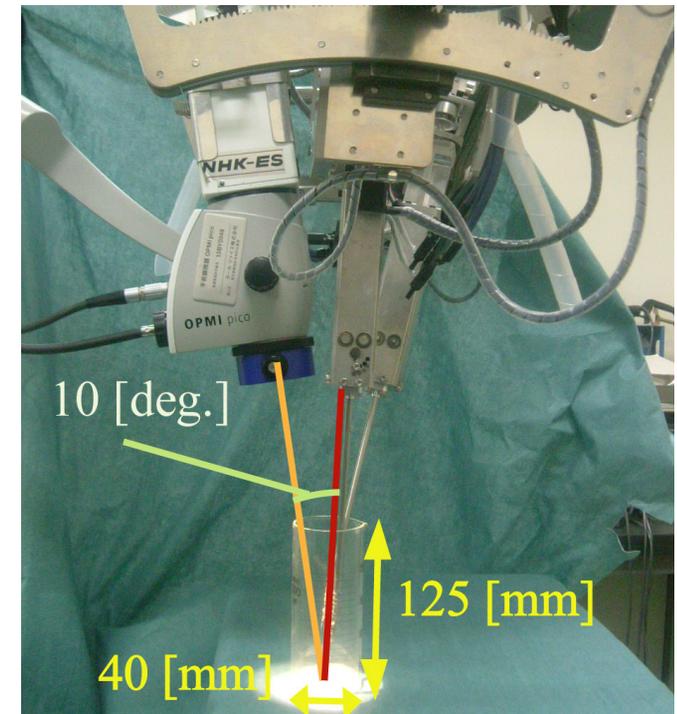
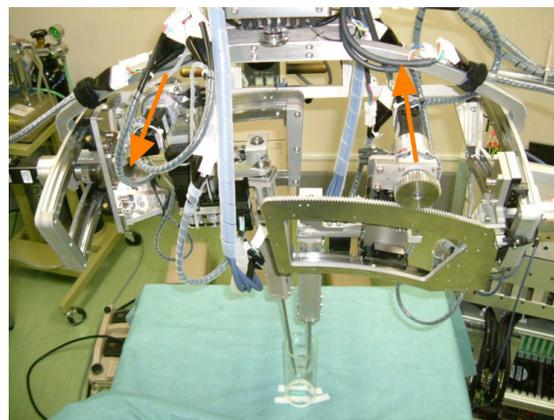
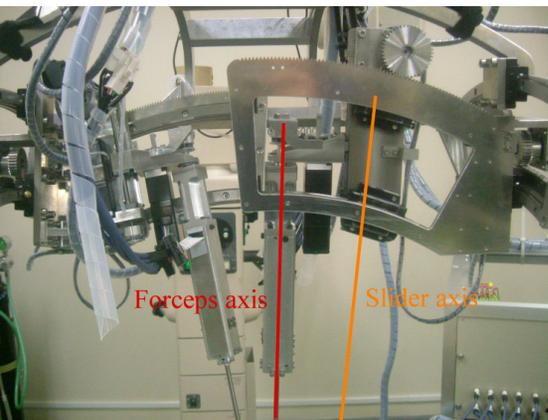
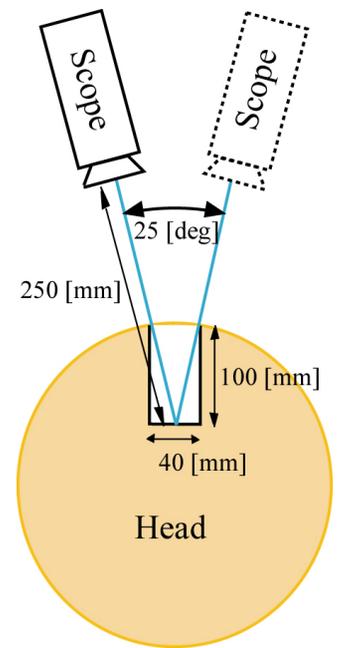
# Slave manipulator (MM-2): arm part

## Space configuration with a microscope

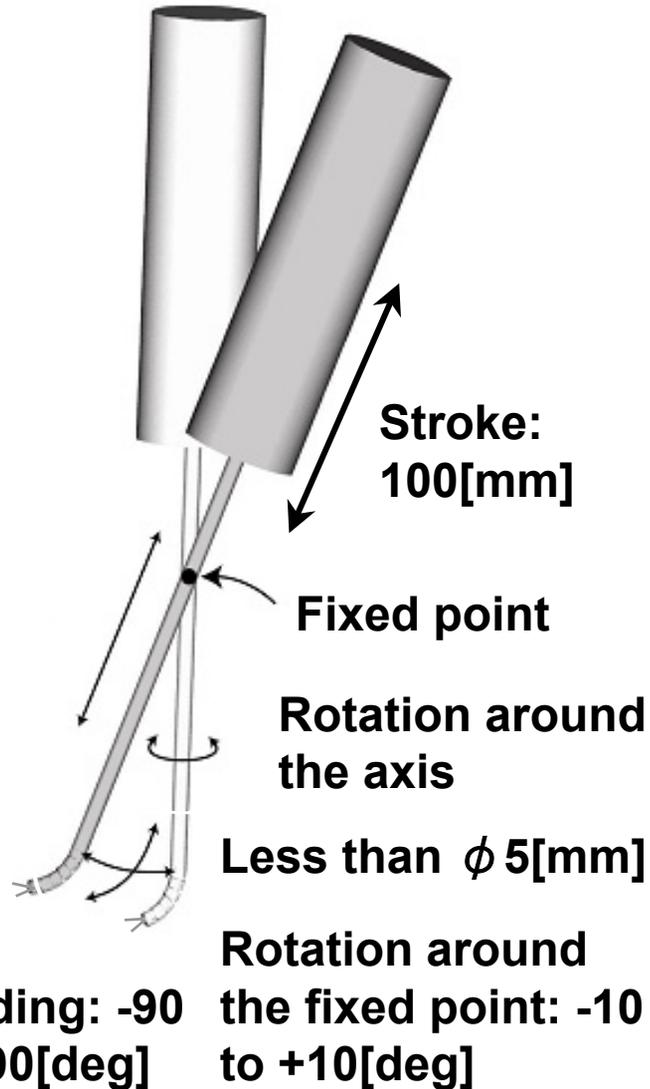
The allowed angle for the microscope is  $\pm 12.5$  [deg.] to obtain the visual information from the area with diameter 40 [mm] at the depth 100 [mm].

- Offset mechanism was adopted between the slider and the forceps axis
- Actuators were located inner side of the mechanism.

➔ **Operation is possible at the depth 125 [mm].**

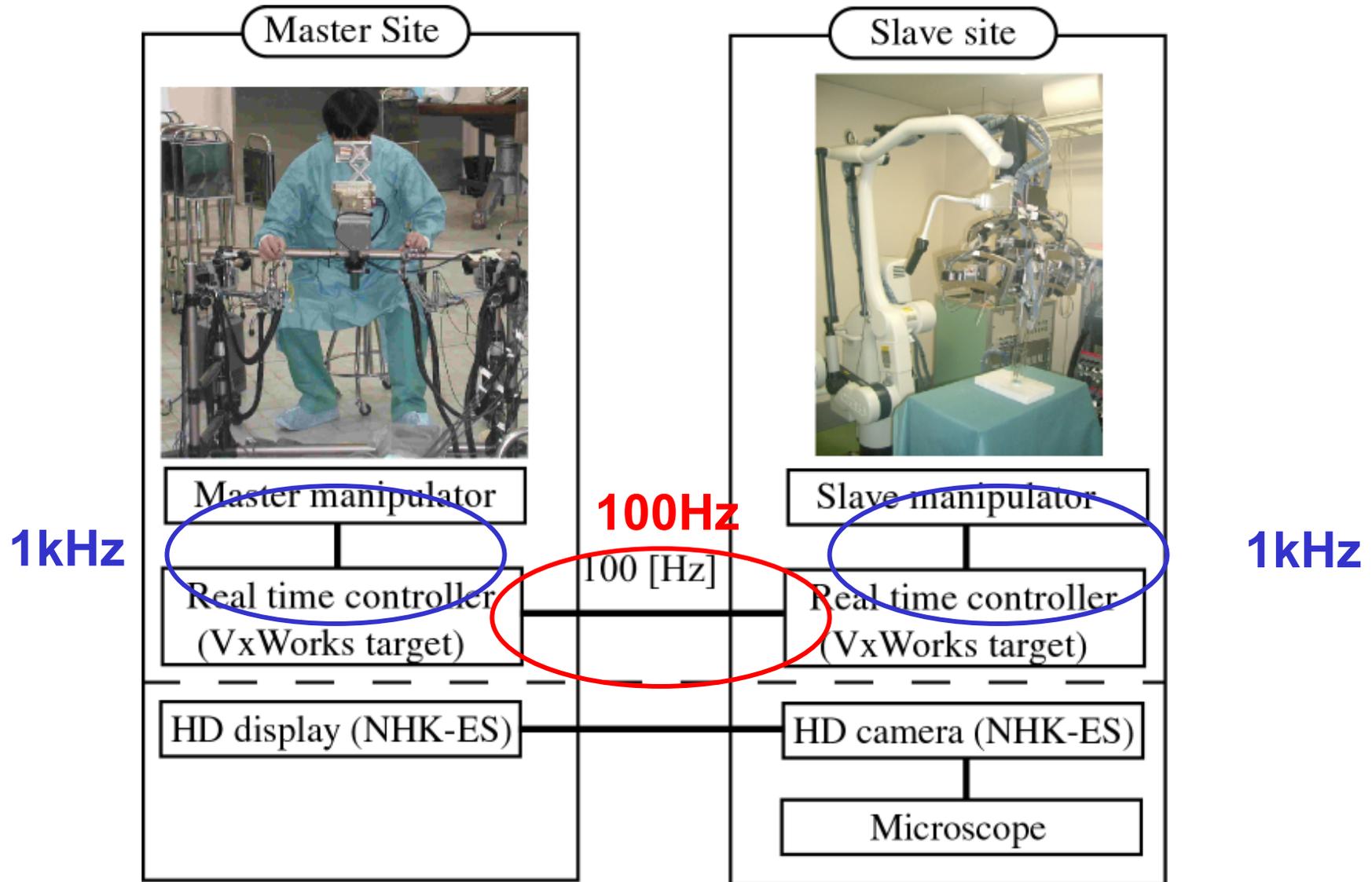


# Required specification

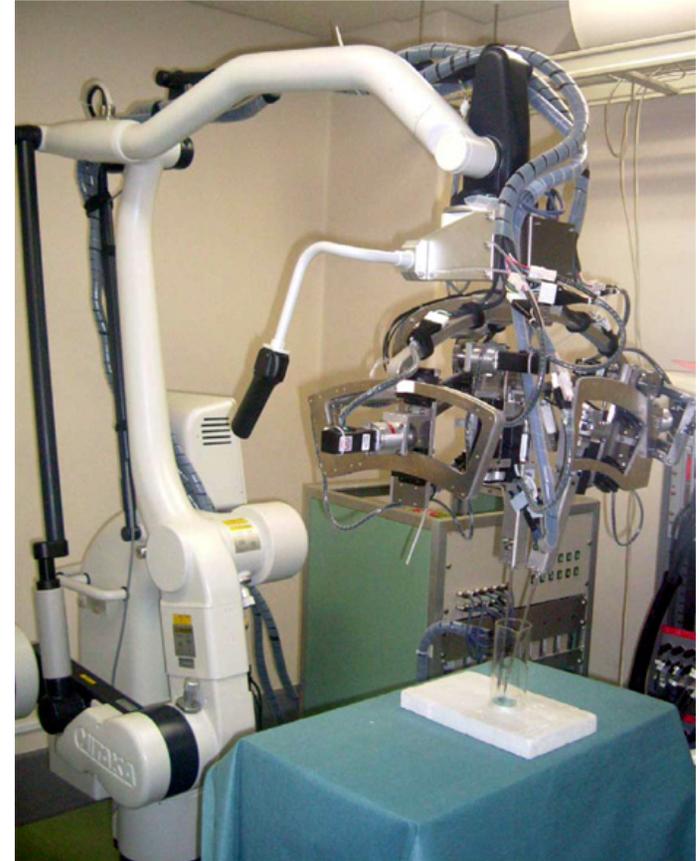


- For the deep surgical field:
  - diameter of the forceps: **less than 3.5[mm]**.
  - motion range:  $(20[\text{mm}])^3$
  - mechanical fixed point, rotational motion range around the fixed position: -10 to +10[deg]
  - stroke: 100[mm]
- The bending angle of the forceps: -90 to +90[deg]
- Position accuracy: more than **0.05[mm]** to suture a micro blood vessel with diameter 1[mm].
- The forceps can be changed easily.
- Sterilized and irrigated easily.

# System implementation (MM-2)



# Experimental setting (MM-2)



**Master manipulator**

**VxWorks  
(1kHz)**

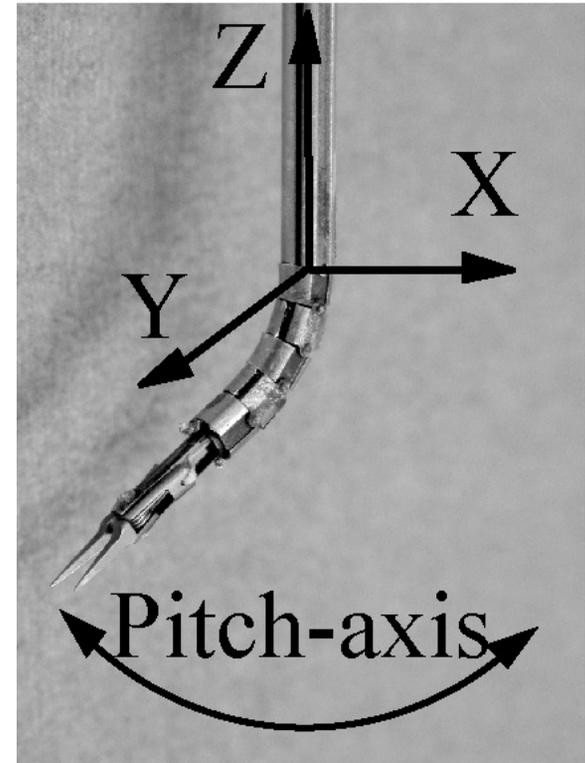
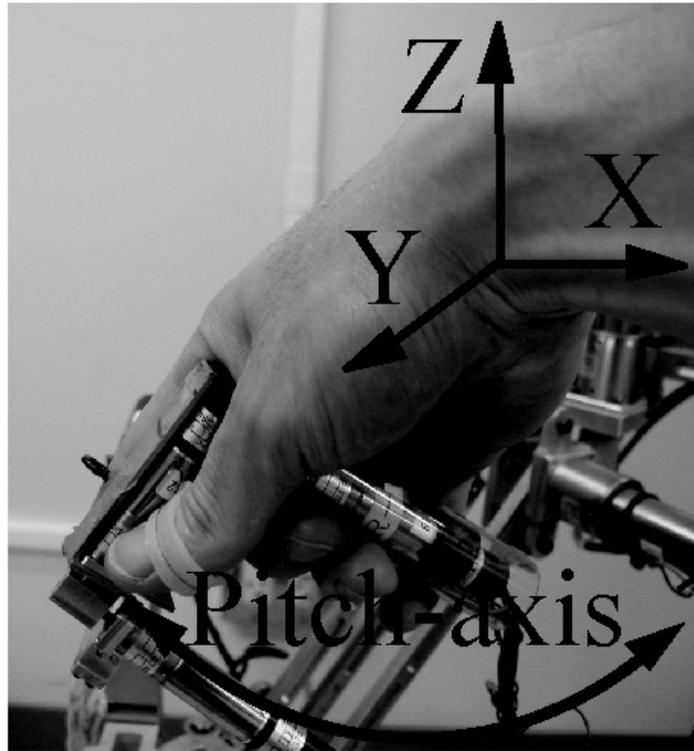
**Position  
information**

**100Hz**

**Slave manipulator**

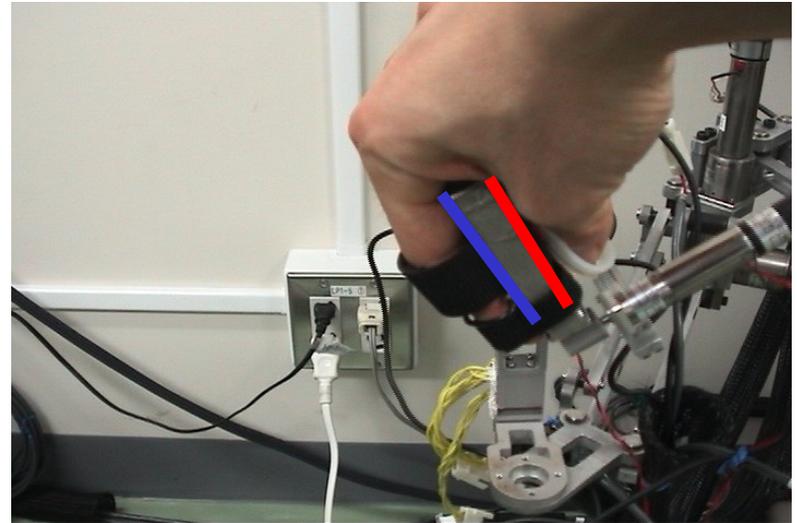
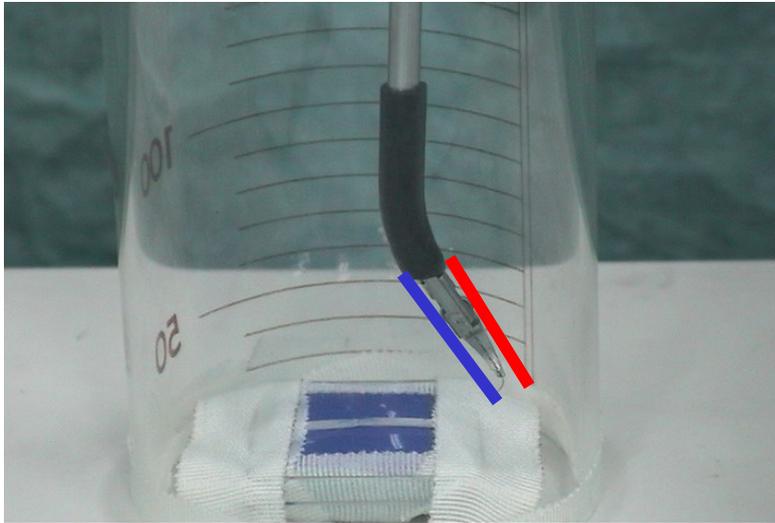
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# *Correspondence of d.o.f. between the master and the slave manipulator*

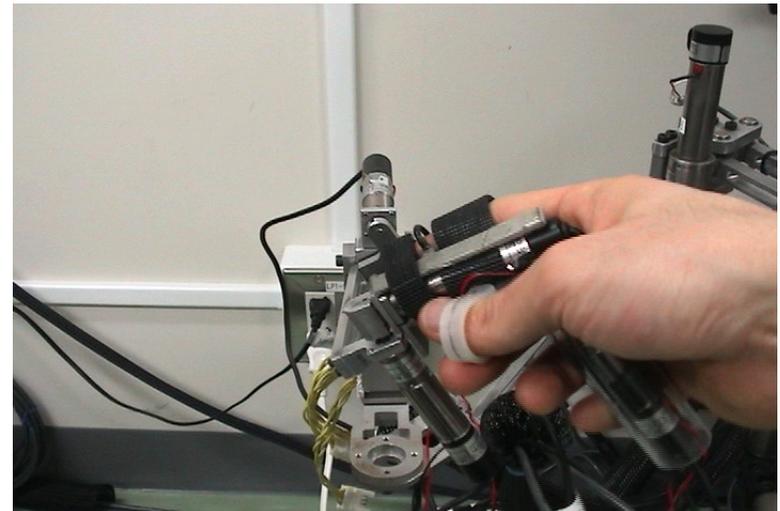
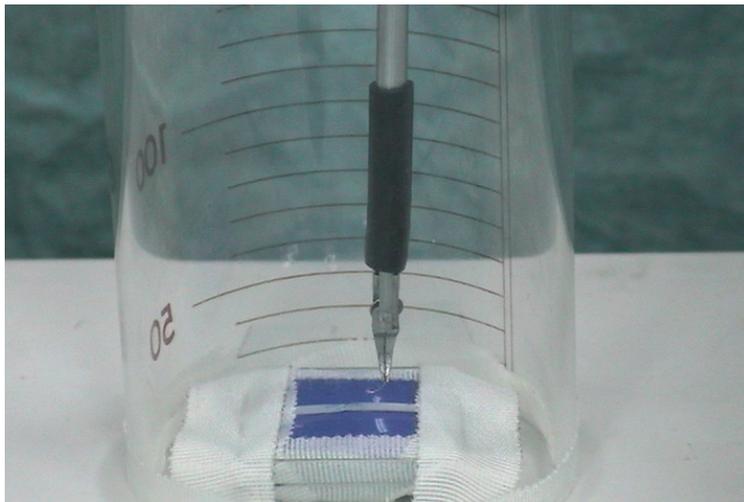
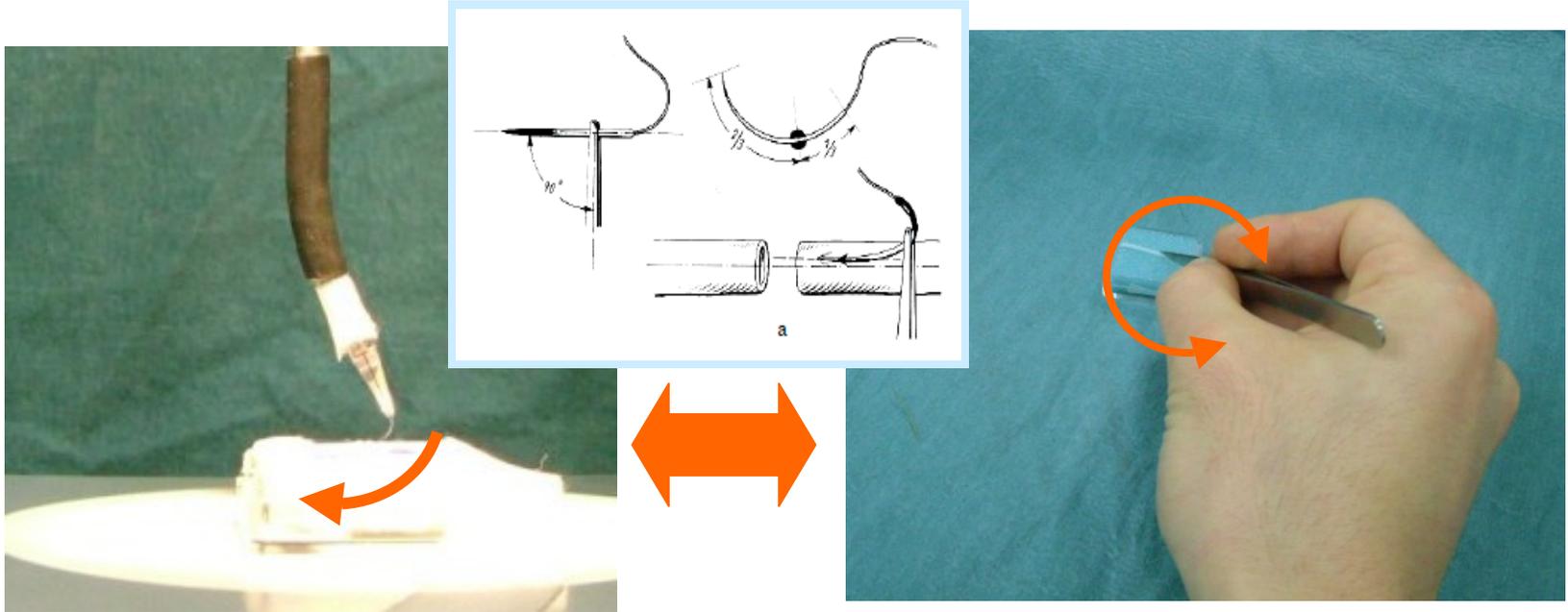


- The bending motion at the head of the slave manipulator corresponds to a rotation around the surgeon's wrist.
- It enables the surgeon to operate the forceps as if he/she held its tip directly.

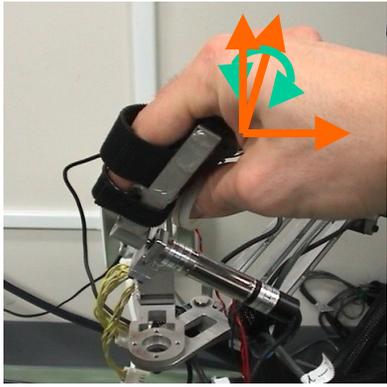
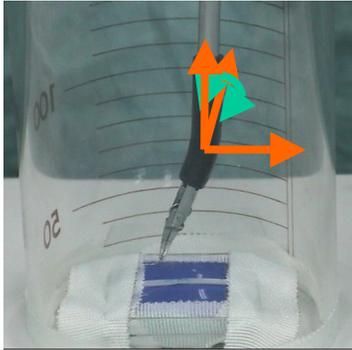
# *Coordinate system transformation between the master and the slave manipulator (MM-1)*



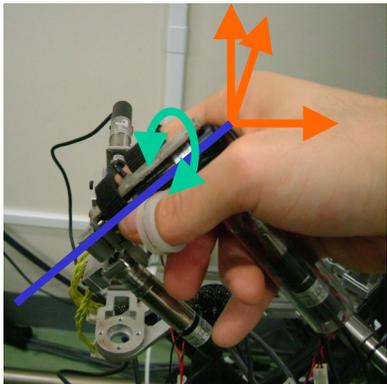
# Coordinate system transformation between the master and the slave manipulator (MM-2)



# Evaluation of the coordinate system transformation

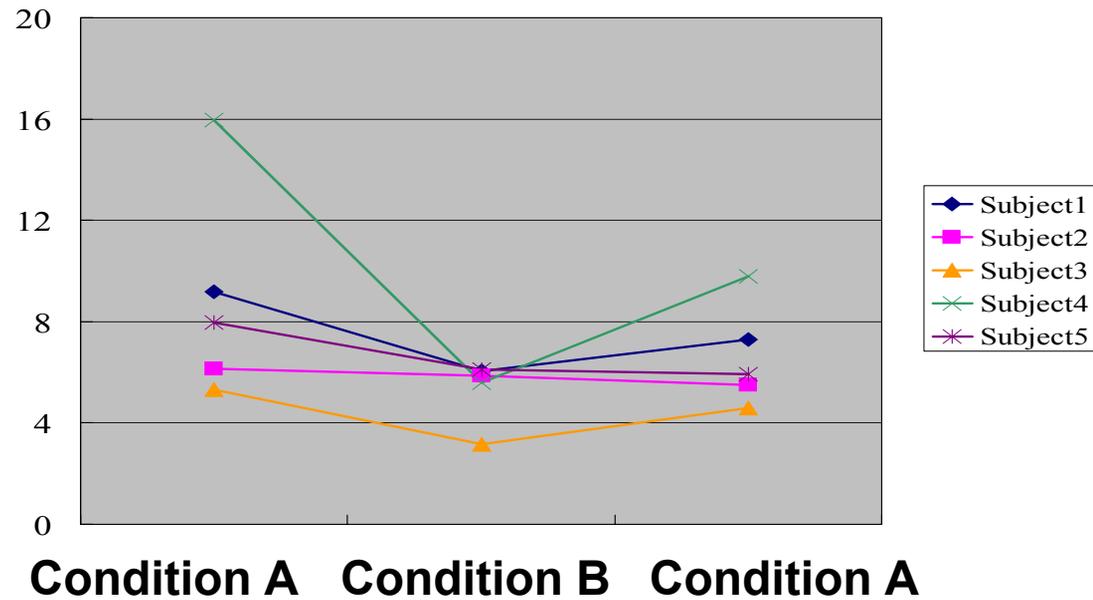


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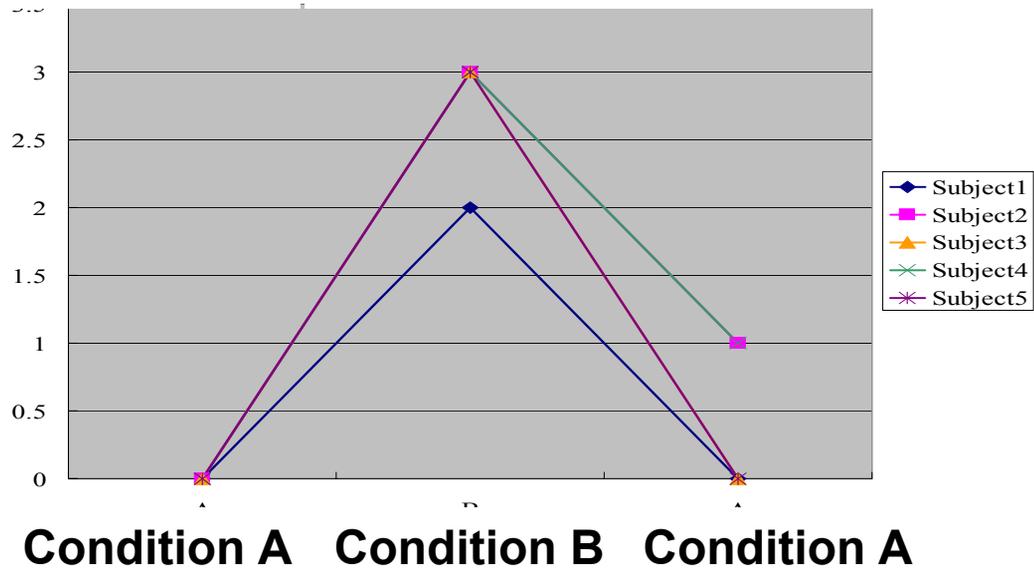


Condition B

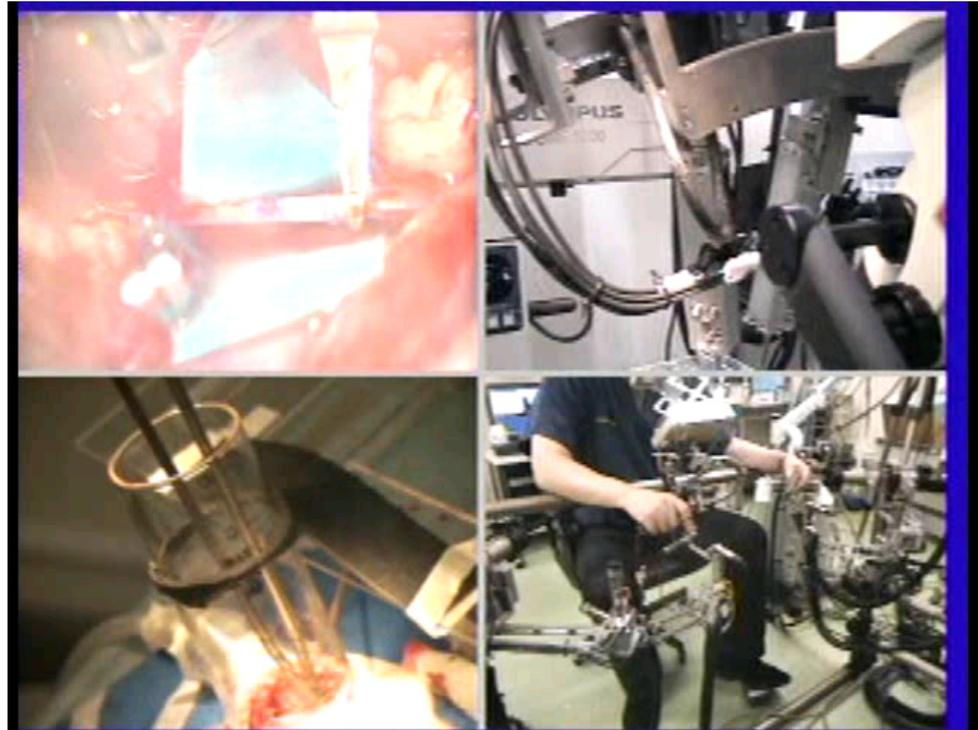
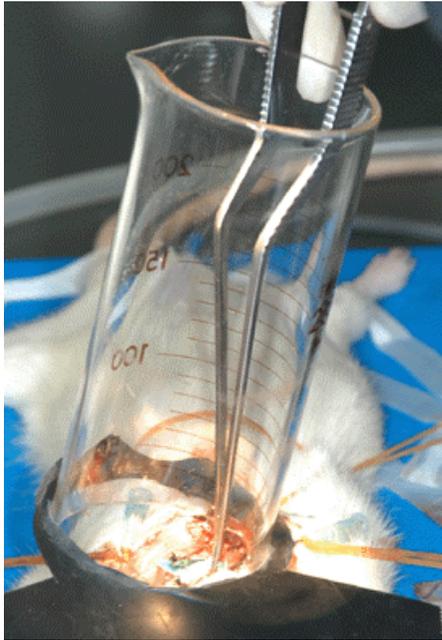
Time required to perform a task [s]



Satisfaction index



# Anastomosis of rat common carotid artery (MM-1)



To verify deep surgical field maneuverability

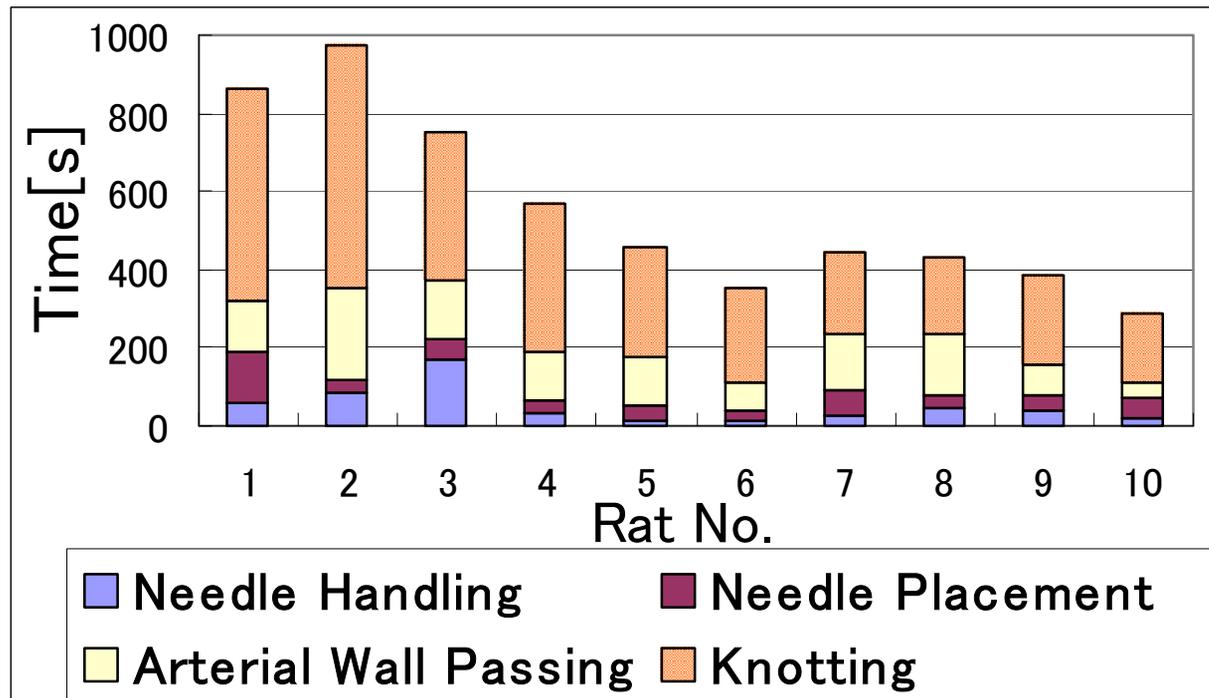
- Rat carotid artery( $\phi$  1mm) **half-arteriotomy suturing**
- Under a glass tube 120[mm] in depth and 50[mm] in diameter
- 10 week old male Wister rat (220g~440g) \* 10

# *Results*

## *Experiment 1:*

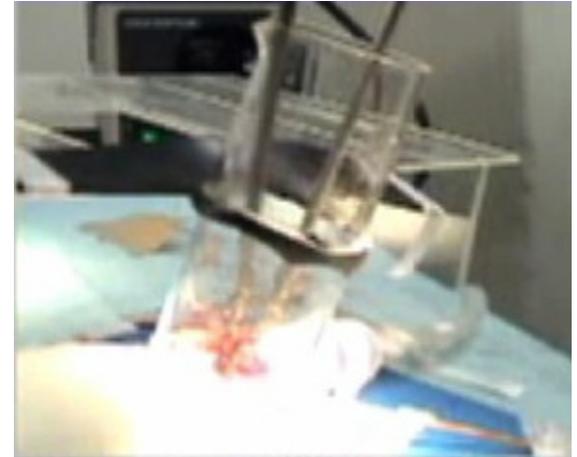
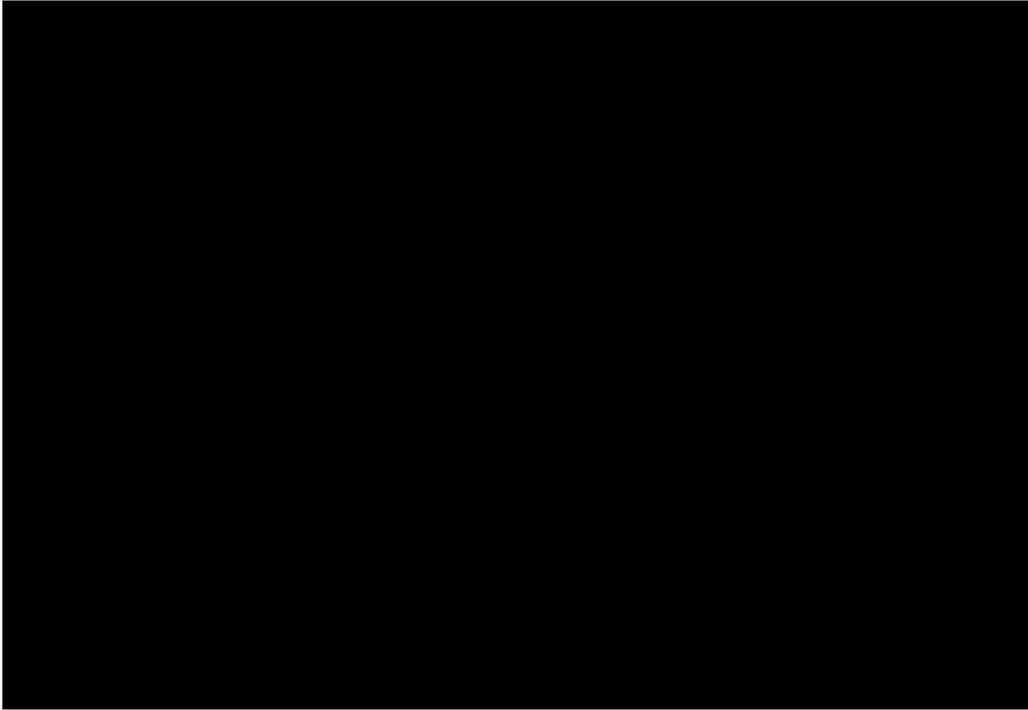
- **8/10 successful suturing with patency**
- **The average required time for one stitch suturing was 9 min.**
- **Time required for initial three experiments were significantly longer than that of the last three experiments.**
- **Knotting required the longest and the most varied time.**

# Required time to suture one position



- **Learning effect of operation: knotting, Goal: 1 min.**
- Time required for initial three experiments were significantly longer than that of the last three experiments.
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# ***Anastomosis of rat common carotid artery (MM-1)***



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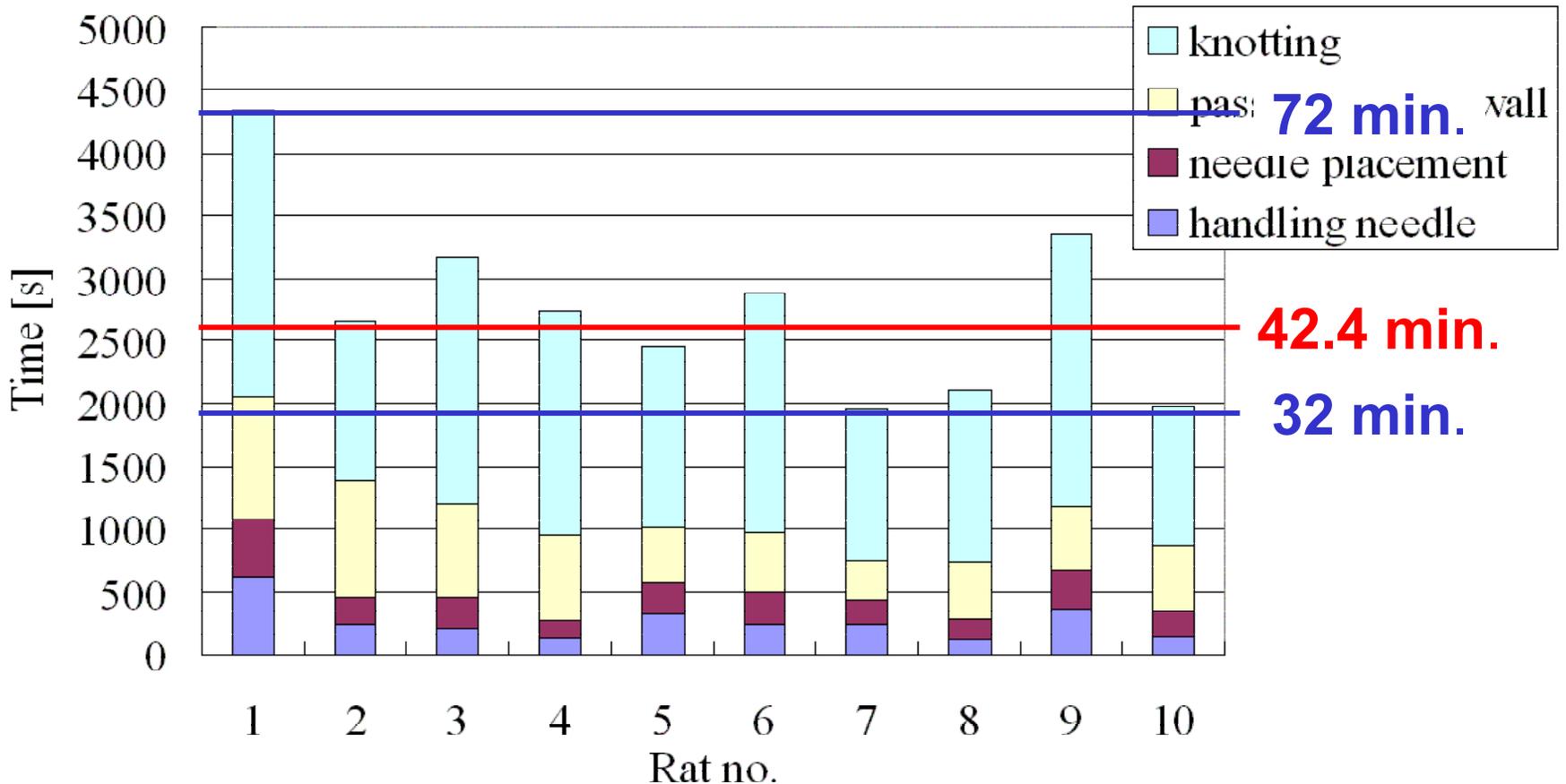
- **Rat carotid artery( $\phi$  1mm) **complete arteriotomy suturing****
- **Under a glass tube 90[mm] in depth and 40[mm] in diameter**
- **10 week old male Wister rat (270g~420g) \* 10**

# *Results*

## *Experiment 2:*

- **A carotid artery was sutured 10 to 13 times using a 10-0 needle and suture.**
- **All anastomoses were successfully executed with patency**
- **The average time to complete anastomosis was 42.4 min.(Min.: 32 min., Max.: 65 min.)**
- **The target time is 20 min.**

# The sum of the every operation time



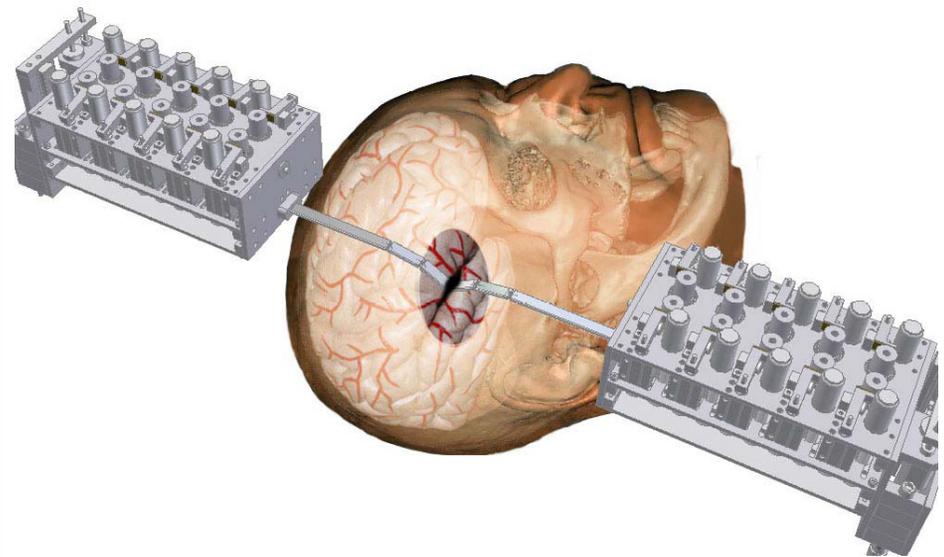
- The average time to complete anastomosis was 42.4 min. (Min.: 32 min., Max.: 72 min.)
- The target time is 20 min.

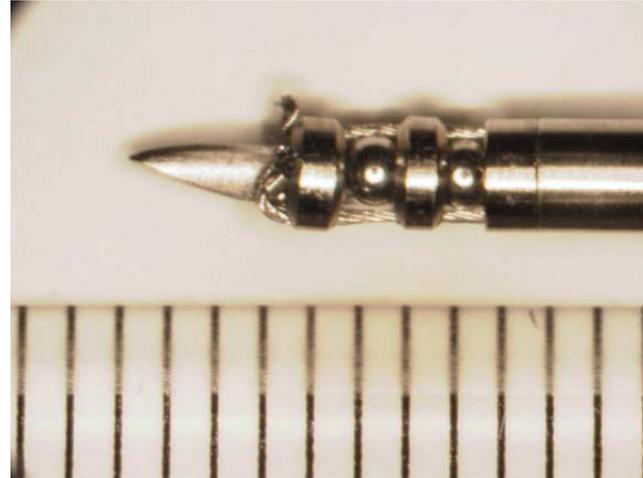
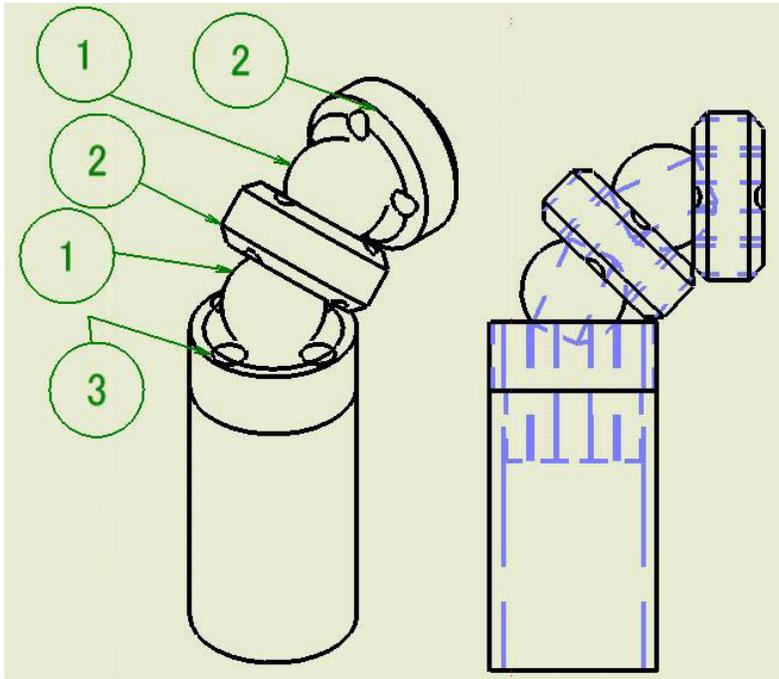
## *Summary*

- **The authors have developed a microsurgical system for neurosurgery in the deep surgical field.**
  - **The diameter of the forceps is 3.5 [mm].**
  - **The surgical operation is feasible at the depth 125 [mm] at the area with diameter 40 [mm].**
  - **Coordinate system transformation between the master and the slave manipulator was executed considering the actual suturing motion.**
- **Cadaveric experiments were successfully executed using the developed system.**

# Brain Spatula Type Robot

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$\Phi 2.4$

