

Surgical navigator for endoscopic surgery based on 3D measurements using a white light scanner

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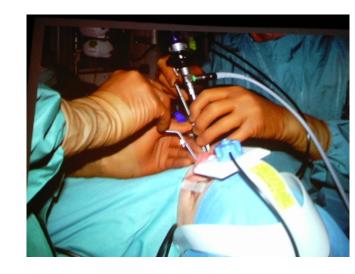
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Conventional navigators for endoscopic surgery has many limitations

They require:

- 1) the complicated registration;
- 2) the references with spheres on the face to follow patient motion;
- 3) the spherical markers on the surgical instruments.





We have developed a new surgical navigator to overcome these limitations

Key Technology 1

The White Light Scanner

Our scanner can capture the surface 3D data, projecting a modulated striped pattern using a xenon lamp within 0.6 seconds.

Projector Camera

Resolution: 0.1 mm in Z-axis

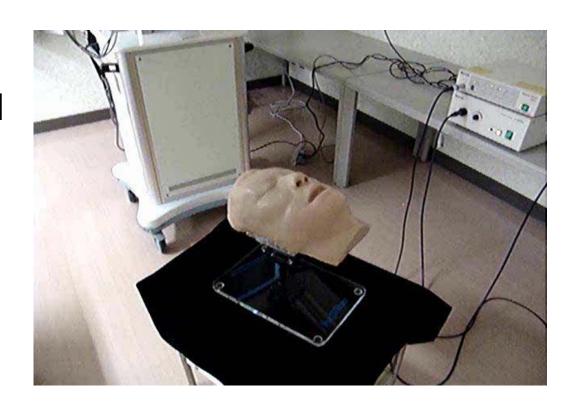
0.6 mm in X- and Y-axes

Accuracy: < 0.3 mm

Key Technology 2

Registration

We can register scanned 3D surface data of a patient's face onto the corresponding surface extracted from CT within 1 second.



Average error: < 0.5 mm

Key Technology 3

Paranasal Sinus



The position and the direction of rays in the endoscope are calculated, and the point at the intersection of rays with the sinus wall is determined.

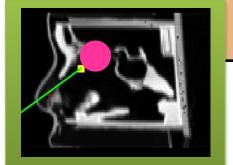
Endoscope

Surgical Instrument

Positioning of the center In the endoscopic view

Positioning of the tip of Surgical Instrument

Facial Bone



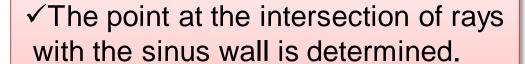
Can be used with any available instrument without markers

✓ The scanner captures the position and the direction of rays in the endoscope, and the data of the patient's face simultaneously.



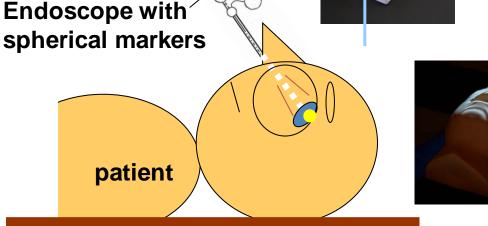
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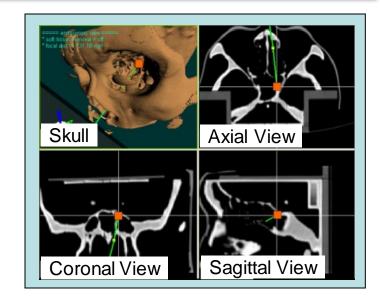
Put the patient position on the coordinates of preoperative CT scan



✓ The position of the patient is compare with that at the previous measurement, and the registration is updated.







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Summary

Four advantages of our new surgical navigator

- 1) it is completely frameless and markerless
- 2) it features easy and automatic registration without direct contact with patients
- it updates registration and tracking information when patients move
- 4) it indicates the location of the center in an endoscopic view, which allows surgeons to use any available instrument without markers.

We need business partners

In May 2012, Nagashima Medical Instruments Co., Ltd will release our surgical navigator for an endoscopic sinus surgery in Japan. For the global sales, we are looking for the companies that:

manufacture and/or sale of surgical navigator for endoscopic sinus surgery outside Japan,

be licensed our technologies of the surgical navigator except for Japan,

collaborate on research for developing another surgical navigator.



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