

TECHNOLOGY IN ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY- A CONNUNDRUM OF HOPE AND HYPE

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PAST: Cut, then see



PRESENT: See, then cut



Preoperative Imaging



Intraoperative Execution

FUTURE: Combine, see, minimally cut

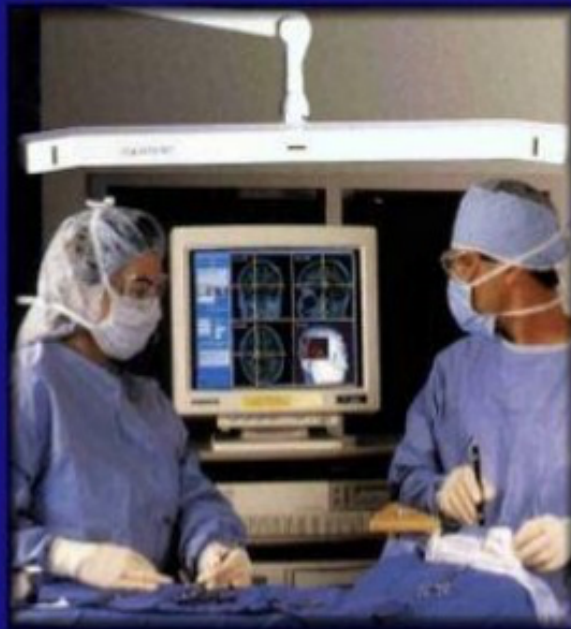


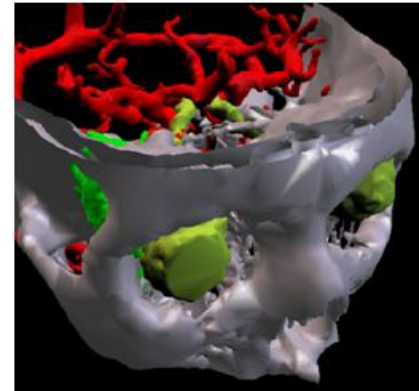
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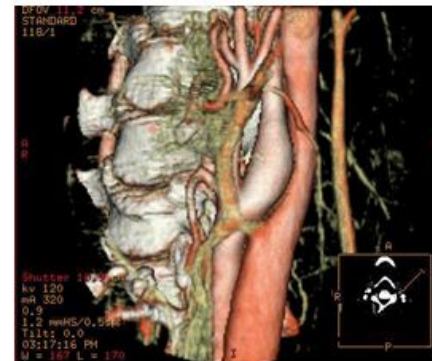
Augmented reality

Medical Visualization

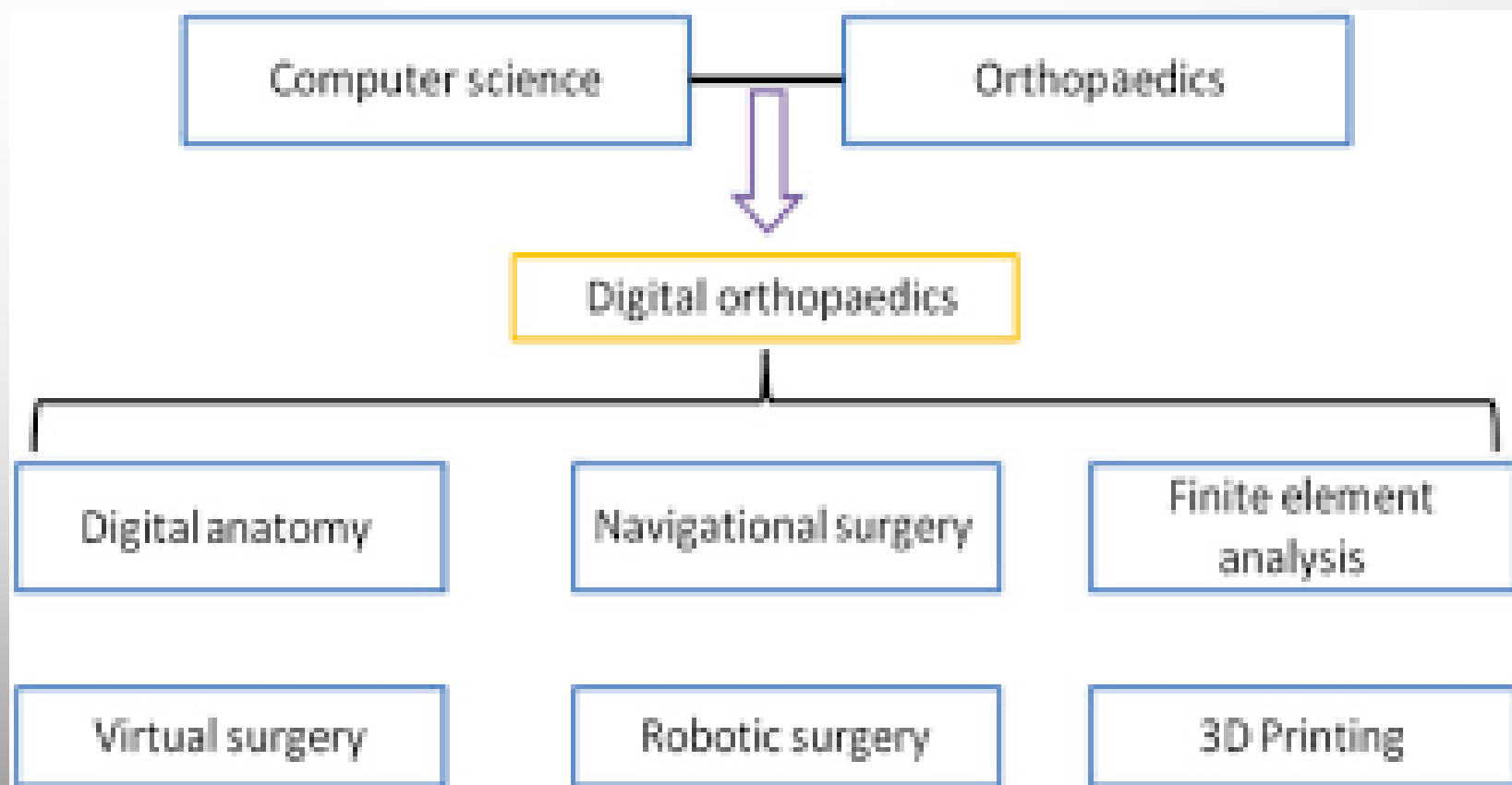
- Human body modeling
- 3D medical image visualization
 - Volume rendering
- Virtual surgery simulation
- Computer Assisted surgery
- Virtual Reality for patient care
 - E.g. Immersive Virtual Reality for pain control



Modeling human head
Images courtesy Stanford University



Volume Rendering
Images courtesy GE



Computer Assisted Surgery

Do you want your body to be worked on by a computer?

Computer assisted surgery is a great way to have surgery done.

Smaller incisions, as well as quicker recovery times are attracting many people. Do you really want a computer controlled instrument to operate on your body? Do you trust the code used to run this equipment working on your body?



Da Vinci™ robotically-assisted surgery

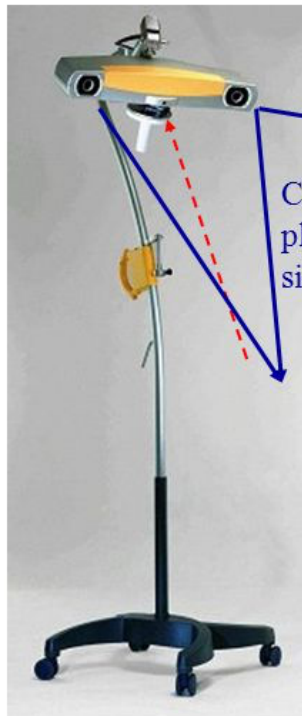


Computer navigation

- Increasing use in orthopaedic surgery
- Accuracy and reliability
- Established in arthroplasty past 4 years
- Real time information on coronal & sagittal plane alignment
- Utilised in osteotomy past 4 years



How does the Ci System work?



Camera searches for arrays placed on the patient via infrared signals.

Computer calculates the best position to place the components for accurate alignment.



Patient's anatomical information is entered into the computer through a process called registration.

Information is fed back to the camera and communicated to the computer

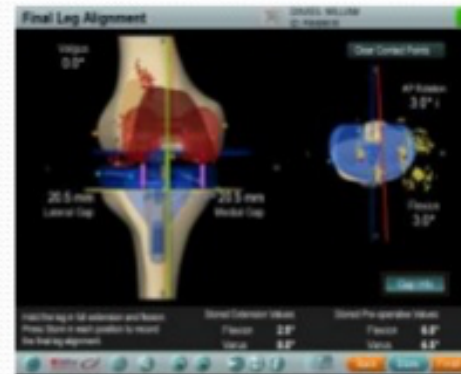
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Navigation Assisted TKR

- A special pointer, also equipped with reflective marker spheres, is then used to register multiple points along your bone.
- The marker spheres reflect infrared light which is detected by the infrared cameras.
- This information is then supplied to the software which simulates a 3D model of your bone using an extensive CT database of healthy and arthritic knees.
- Adapters with reflective marker spheres are used with specially designed surgical instruments that enable the software to calculate the position of these instruments relative to your bone. This gives your surgeon real time information of your knee enabling very accurate placement of your knee replacement.



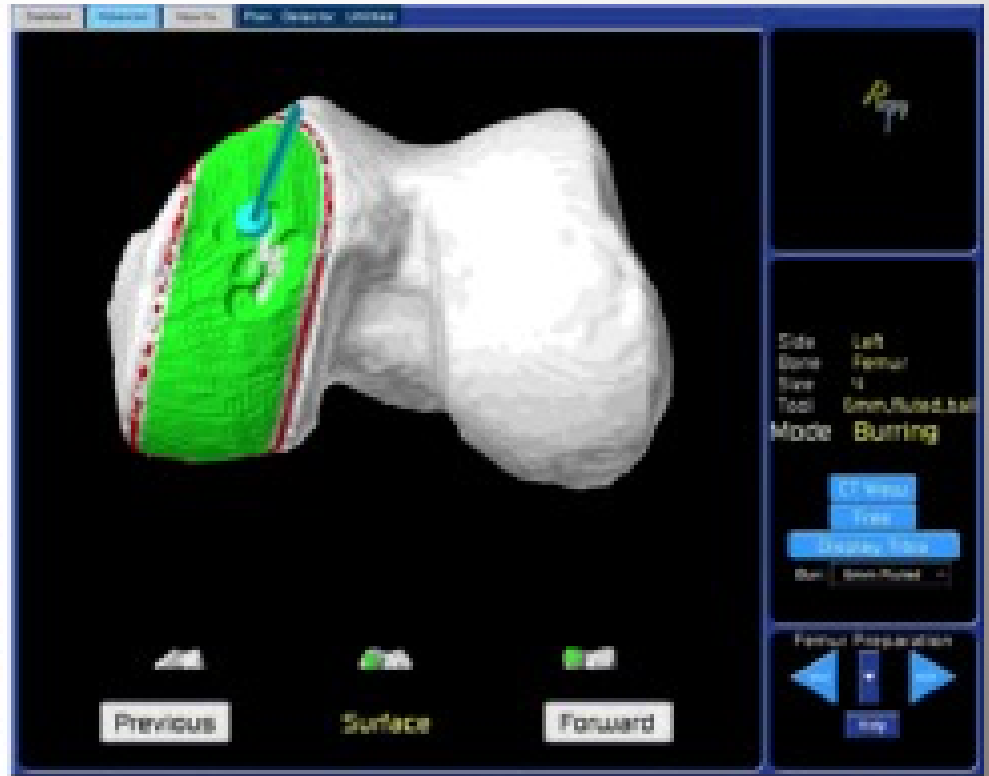
How Does Navigation Help ?

- Allow virtual planning of the implantation and control the orientation of bony resections during the operative procedure , **HENCE LESS SOFT TISSUE DISSECTION AND LESS BONE LOSS.**
- Restoration of the tibiofemoral angle to within 3° of normal during total knee replacement (TKR) is associated with a better outcome which is accurately achieved with navigation. **HENCE MORE IMPLANT LIFE, LESS COMPLICATIONS AND BETTER FUNCTIONAL OUTCOMES.**

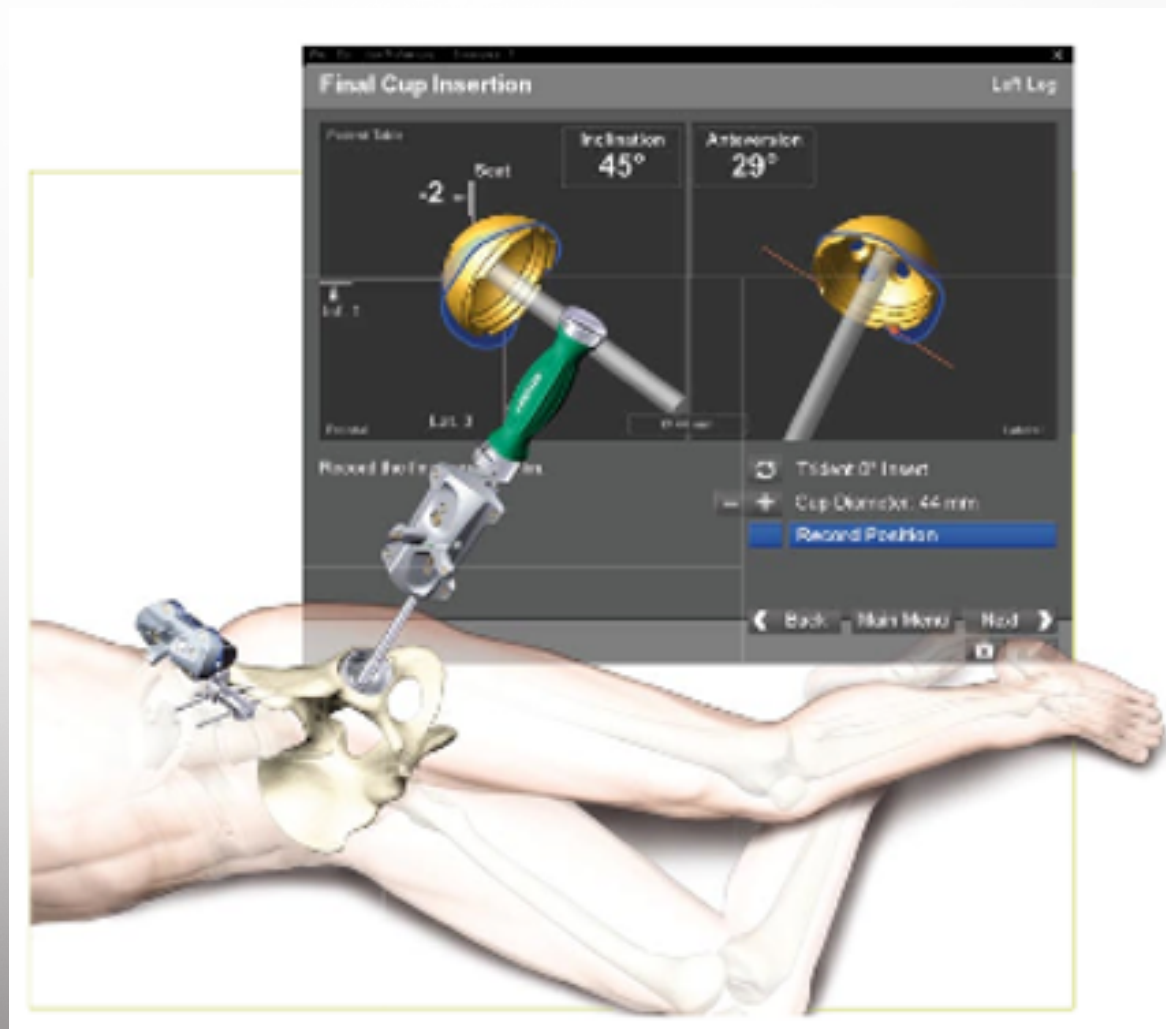
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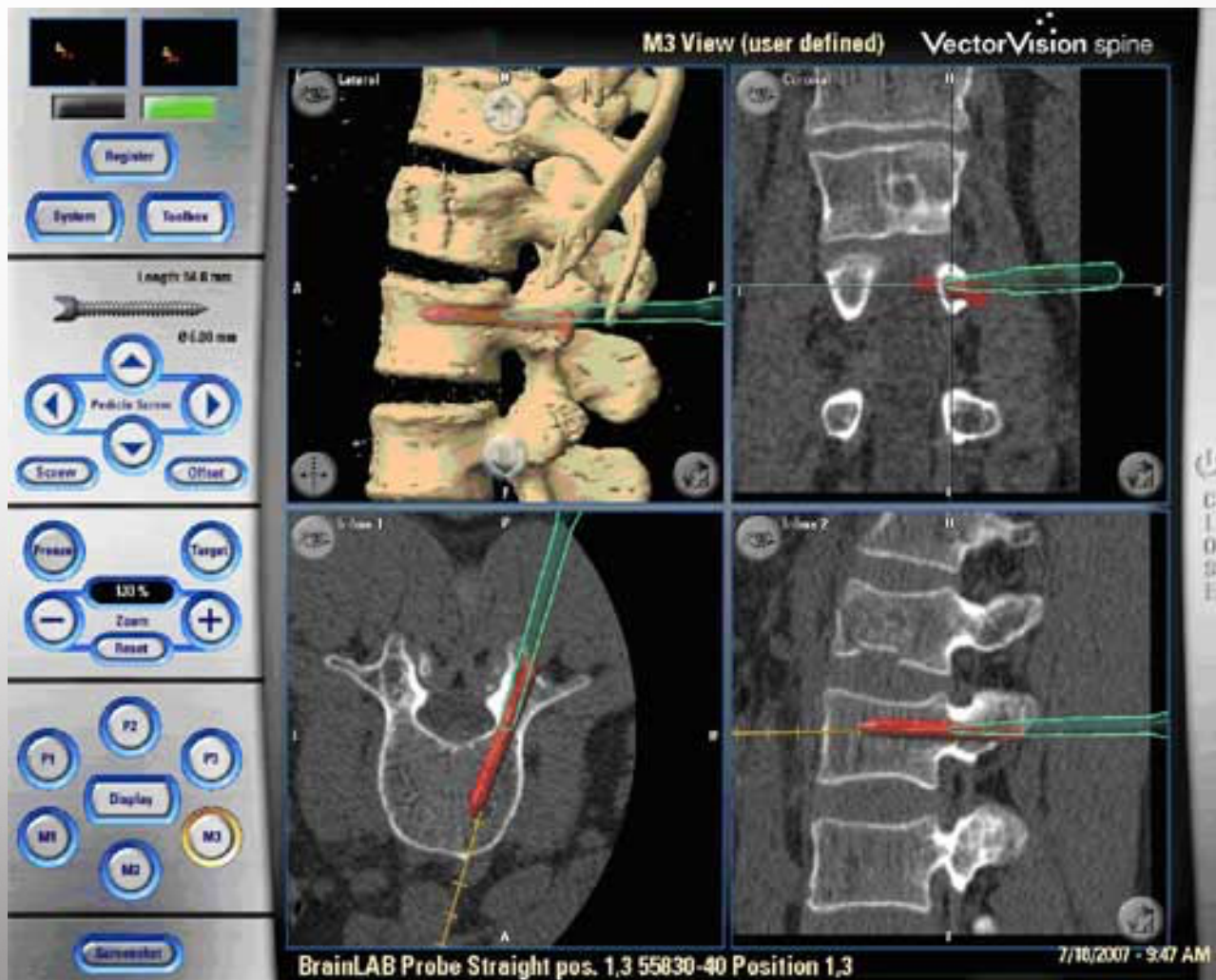
- The system is a touch screen-based planning computer with navigation software specially designed for use in knee replacement surgery.
- The system uses reflective marker spheres and infrared cameras

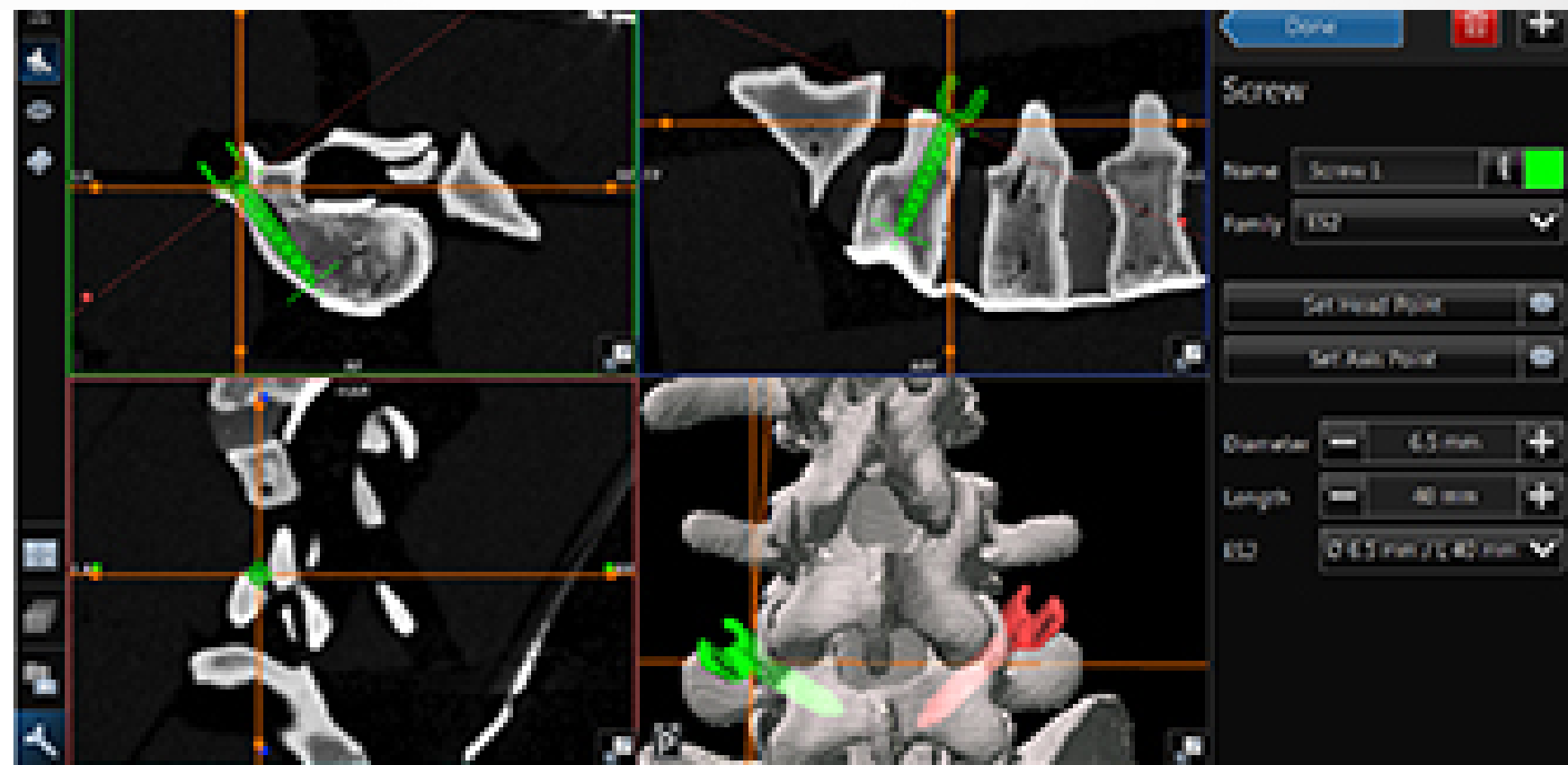












Orthopedic Surgical Robots Market to Surpass \$4.1 Billion by 2029

Robots are associated with such advantages as better visualization of the operating field and lessened tremor.

emphasis on value-based outcomes and reducing costs associated with hospital stays, the benefits offered to patients by procedures carried out using orthopedic surgical robots have the potential to help this cause.

- . **Orthopedic surgical robots fulfil the need for automation** while performing a surgery and have various advantages such as less post-operative pain, decreased blood loss, and the lower risk of complications and infections.
- Surgical **robots increase dexterity and provide efficient representations of the body parts**.
- They ~~shorten~~ **the recovery time as well as aid surgeons while working on an inaccessible part of the body**. These advancements in orthopedic surgical robots provide the capability to replicate the sensation and tactile feel.
- **Increase in the need for automation in the healthcare sector, majorly for orthopedic surgeries, is expected to boost the growth of the orthopedic surgical robots market during the forecast period.**

Lack of skillsets among orthopedic surgeons for the use of orthopedic surgical robots across various regions is likely to limit opportunities for the adoption of orthopedic surgical robots, which **is likely to hamper the growth of the orthopedic surgical robots market throughout the forecast period.** Furthermore, high costs associated with orthopedic surgical robots are also **likely to hamper the adoption of orthopedic surgical robots in developing regions, majorly middle- and low-income countries, which is likely to further restrain the growth of the orthopedic surgical robots market during the forecast period.**



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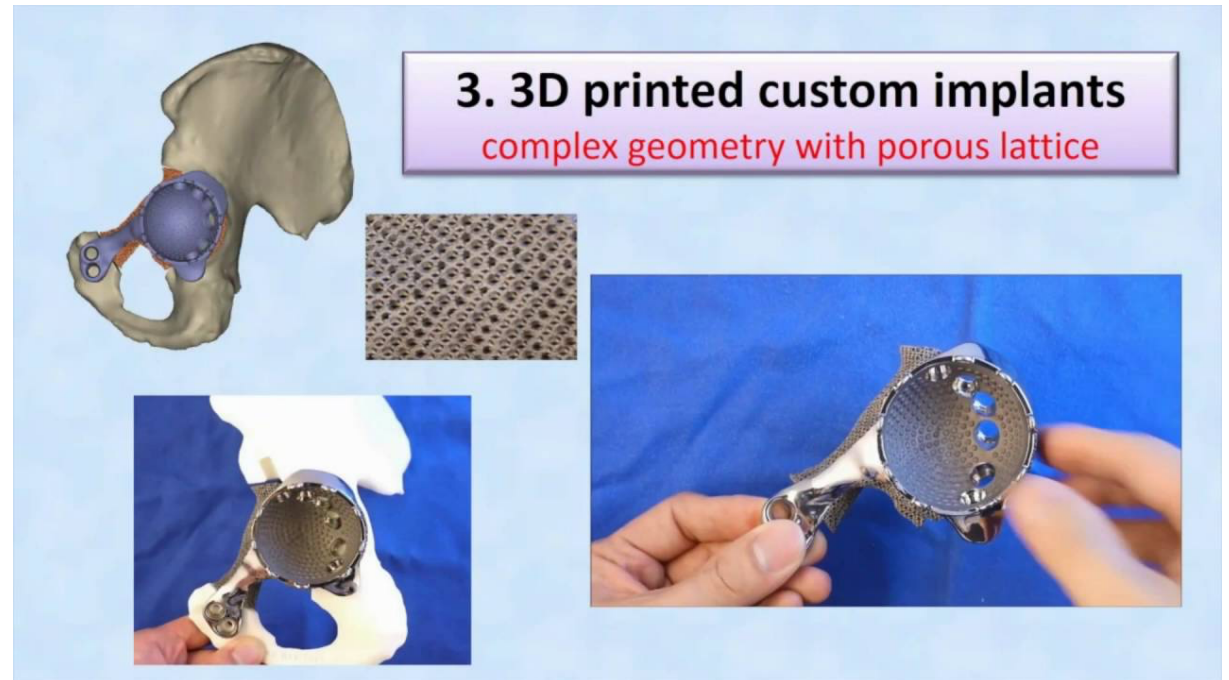
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3D Printed Devices in Orthopedic Implants Comprise Nearly Half of Total Sales

Market expected to grow 16 percent annually through 2029.



Computer-Assisted Design and Manufacturing of Surgical Guides

Stereolithography

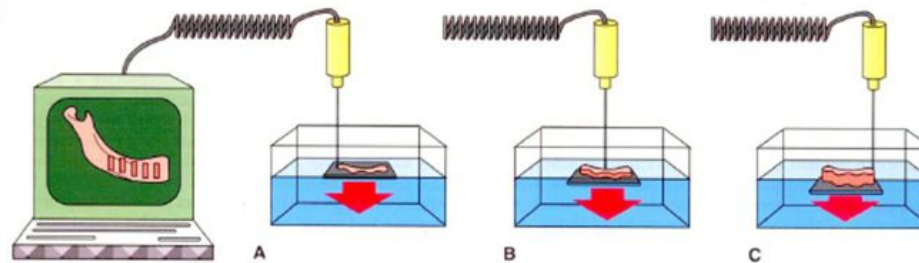


Figure 10-18 Stereolithographic fabrication of surgical guides. After scanning and planning, files are submitted to the manufacturing facility. A, A computer-driven laser cures a thin layer of liquid polymer. B, A moving table is lowered, another layer is applied, and C, the process is repeated until completion of the surgical guide.

- layer of liquid polymer is deposited and cured by a computerdriven laser. Additional layers or sections are stacked and polymerized until a final model is generated
- the data source is a CT

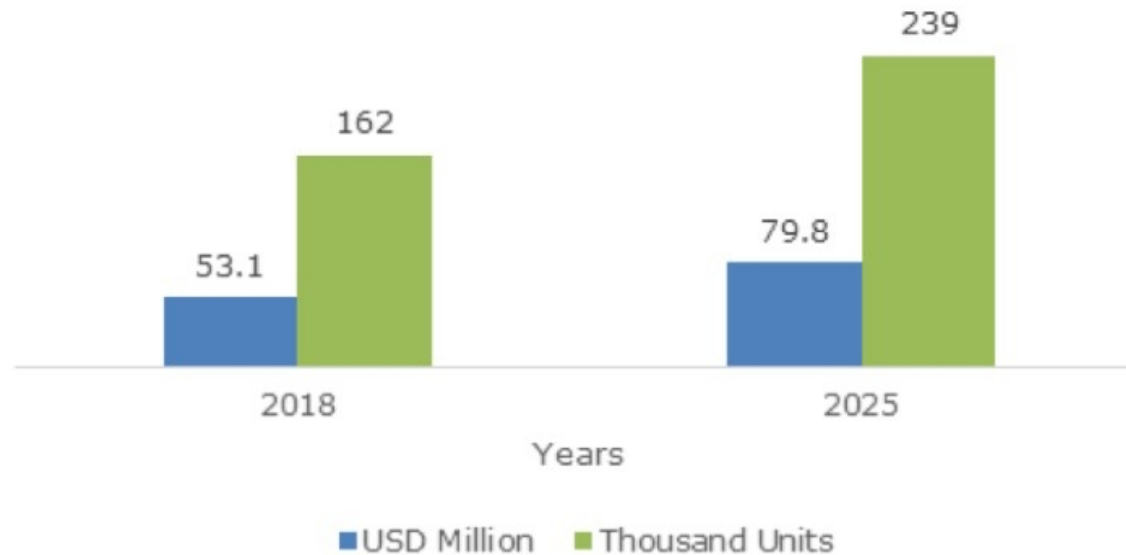
Global Bone Graft and Substitutes Market to Reach \$4.67B by 2027

The global [bone graft and substitutes market](#) is expected to witness a CAGR of 5.5 percent during the forecast period (2019-2027), owing to increasing number of product approvals for bone grafts and substitutes.

researchers are developing new ideas for bone healing properties of bone marrow derived mesenchymal stem cells, tissue engineering, and gene therapy.



Bone Growth Stimulators Market to Exceed \$1.2B by 2025







- Increasing geriatric population is also expected to boost growth of the market over the forecast period. Aging contributes to soft tissue degeneration and related disorders, which increases demand for arthroscopy procedures.

Global Arthroscopy Procedures and Products Market to Hit \$8.6B by 2027

Increasing R&D in bioinductive implants is expected to boost growth of the sector.

Based on product type, the external bone growth stimulators segment is anticipated to generate commendable revenues in the forecast period. External bone growth stimulators are portable, nonsurgical treatments offering devices designed specifically to promote healing of bone fractures that have failed to mend naturally.



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