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Honestly, if there was a virtual prostate exam, don't you think I'd want to be the first to know?"



Multi-Functional HIFU Probe "See, Treat, and Track"



Treat



Track









HIFU Discrete Delivery

- Most HIFU systems deliver a series of discrete ablations or "shots"
- Each shot is delivered in 3 seconds
- 3 6 second pause after shot allows for imaging and tissue cooling
- Staggered pattern of shot dispersion allows cooling of tissue
- Probe cooled with chilled water





HIFU Continuous Delivery

- It is possible to deliver heat continuously, moving the focal point over volume of tissue to be ablated
- Tissue back to surface of the probe is destroyed eliminating need for probe cooling and pauses for cooling
- Elimination of "active" cooling results in a more efficient treatment delivery (3 – 6x)





Sonatherm Integrated Imaging/Therapy







Sonatherm Laparoscopic Probe Tip

Therapy Crystals

- Three (3) distinct operating crystals (one imaging and two therapy)
- Robotic scanning of transducers for volumetric imaging & ablation



Sonatherm Characteristics

Focal Length: Lesion Depth: Lesion L/W: Imaging f: Therapy f: Max Output: Lesion Shape: Treatment Times: 35 mm 30 mm (maximum) 30 x 7 mm (maximum) **6.5 MHz** 4 MHz 35 watts Sector 10 min for 12 cc lesion (2 cm x 2 cm x 3 cm) 30 min for 35 cc lesion (Sonablate = 180 min)





Sonatherm Ex-Vivo





Role of US HIFU Ablation

- Image Fusion for localization and targeting
- Treatment Planning
- Treatment Delivery
- Temperature Monitoring
- Tissue Typing



Road Runner Localization





IMAGE FUSION SmartTarget





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IMAGE FUSION SmartTarget

- Automatic, deformable image registration/fusion
 - Compensates for shape changes due to <u>ultrasound probe pressure</u> and <u>gland swelling</u>
- Accuracy
 - Error of 2.4mm
 - >90% hit rate for a 0.5cc spherical tumour

*Hu et al. Medical Image Analysis (2012)

• Simple workflow

> Minimal user interaction during a surgical procedure

- Versatility
 - Configurable for use with biopsy and all minimally-invasive therapies including HIFU

*Patent Pending



Sonablate[®] New Software Development



Courtesy of Professor Mark Emberton, M.D., University College London





MEDICAL

Export image volume to SmartTarget



Mark positions on prostate capsule





Register MRI to US with SmartTarget



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Import structures into SonaPlan



View of target on planning screen



Outline with desired margin



Complete treatment plan



US-based Planning





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Treatment

Image update during HIFU





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Treatment

Ablation Complete





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MR thermometry for continuous temperature feedback





INCREASED ATTENUATION DUE TO TISSUE TEMPERATURE ELEVATION





- Spectral analysis on RF backscattered (pulse-echo) <u>ultrasound</u> signals acquired before and immediately following HIFU exposure
- Analysis generates energy spectra of signals
- Difference used as estimator for changes in tissue temperature







(b)

Clinical Example of Second "Pass" with HIFU

Replacing "Greens" with "Yellow/Orange"



First Pass

Second Pass



Courtesy – Dr. G. M. Suarez, MD

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"Well, yes, we could fix it in Photoshop, but your arm would still be broken."



Use of Ultrasound Pulse-Echo (RF) data for Quantitative Features Analysis





Anterior Tumor: 3-D Image

(base view)





Use of Ultrasound for Anatomic Feature Analysis





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Complementary to Existing Approaches



"Judging by your X-rays, I'd say you've been exposed to too much radiation."



"Hi, I'll be performing your surgery tomorrow."



Final Thoughts Cost of Health Care





