

CPC COOPERATIVE PATENT CLASSIFICATION

A HUMAN NECESSITIES

HEALTH; AMUSEMENT

A61 MEDICAL OR VETERINARY SCIENCE; HYGIENE

A61B DIAGNOSIS; SURGERY; IDENTIFICATION (analysing biological material [G01N](#), e.g. [G01N 33/48](#); obtaining records using waves other than optical waves, in general [G03B 42/00](#))

NOTE

This subclass covers instruments, implements and processes for diagnostic, surgical and person-identification purposes, including obstetrics, instruments for cutting corns, vaccination instruments, finger-printing, psycho-physical tests.

WARNINGS

- The following IPC groups are not in the CPC scheme. The subject matter for these IPC groups is classified in the following CPC groups:

A61B 17/03	covered by	A61B 17/00
A61B 17/125	covered by	A61B 17/122
A61B 17/138	covered by	A61B 17/12
A61B 17/76	covered by	A61B 17/744
A61B 17/78	covered by	A61B 17/744
A61B 17/90	covered by	A61B 17/88 , A61B 2017/90
A61B 17/94	covered by	A61B 17/29
- In this subclass non-limiting references (in the sense of paragraph 39 of the Guide to the IPC) may still be displayed in the scheme.

Diagnosis; Psycho-physical tests

1/00 Instruments for performing medical examinations of the interior of cavities or tubes of the body by visual or photographic inspection, e.g. endoscopes (examination of body cavities or body tracts using ultrasonic, sonic or infrasonic waves [A61B 8/12](#); instruments, e.g. endoscopes, for taking a cell sample [A61B 10/00](#); endoscopic cutting instruments [A61B 17/32](#); surgical instruments using a laser beam being directed along or through a flexible conduit [A61B 18/22](#); technical endoscopes [G02B 23/24](#)); Illuminating arrangements therefor (for the eyes [A61B 3/00](#))

- 1/00002 . {Operational features of endoscopes}
- 1/00004 . . {characterised by electronic signal processing}
- 1/00006 . . . {of control signals}
- 1/00009 . . . {of image signals ([G06T](#) takes precedence)}
- 1/00011 . . {characterised by data transmission}
- 1/00013 . . . {using optical means}
- 1/00016 . . . {using wireless means}
- 1/00018 . . . {using electrical cables}
- 1/0002 . . {provided with data storages}
- 1/00022 . . . {removable}
- 1/00025 . . {characterised by power management}
- 1/00027 . . . {characterised by power supply}
- 1/00029 {externally powered, e.g. wireless}
- 1/00032 {internally powered}
- 1/00034 {rechargeable}
- 1/00036 . . . {Means for power saving, e.g. sleeping mode}
- 1/00039 . . {provided with data input arrangements for the user}

- 1/00041 . . . {for user message recording}
- 1/00043 . . {provided with signal output arrangements}
- 1/00045 . . . {Display arrangement}
- 1/00048 {Constructional features of the display}
- 1/0005 {for multiple images}
- 1/00052 {positioned at proximal end of the endoscope body}
- 1/00055 . . . {for alerting the user}
- 1/00057 . . {provided with means for testing or calibration}
- 1/00059 . . {provided with identification means for the endoscope}
- 1/00062 . . {provided with means for preventing overuse}
- 1/00064 . {Constructional details of the endoscope body}
- 1/00066 . . {Proximal part of endoscope body, e.g. handles ([A61B 1/0052](#) takes precedence)}
- 1/00068 . . . {Valve switch arrangements}
- 1/00071 . . {Insertion part of the endoscope body ([A61B 1/0055](#) takes precedence)}
- 1/00073 . . . {with externally grooved shaft}
- 1/00075 . . . {with externally roughened shaft}
- 1/00078 . . . {with stiffening means}
- 1/0008 . . . {characterised by distal tip features}
- 1/00082 {Balloons}
- 1/00085 {Baskets}
- 1/00087 {Tools ([A61B 17/00234](#) takes precedence)}
- 1/00089 {Hoods}
- 1/00091 {Nozzles}
- 1/00094 {Suction openings}
- 1/00096 {Optical elements}
- 1/00098 {Deflecting means for inserted tools}
- 1/00101 {the distal tip features being detachable}

- 1/00103 . . {designed for single use}
- 1/00105 . . {characterised by modular construction}
- 1/00108 . . {characterised by self-sufficient functionality for stand-alone use}
- 1/00111 . . {Manufacturing of endoscope parts}
- 1/00112 . {Connection or coupling means}
- 1/00114 . . {Electrical cables for connection to external units}
- 1/00117 . . {Optical cables, e.g. for connection to an external light source}
- 1/00119 . . {Tubes or pipes, e.g. for fluid supply to the endoscope}
- 1/00121 . . {Connectors, fasteners and adapters, e.g. on the endoscope handle}
- 1/00124 . . . {electrical, e.g. electrical plug-and-socket connection}
- 1/00126 . . . {optical, e.g. for light supply cables}
- 1/00128 . . . {mechanical, e.g. for tubes or pipes}
- 1/00131 . {Accessories for endoscopes}
- 1/00133 . . {Drive units, e.g. for endoscopic tools}
- 1/00135 . . {Oversleeves ([A61B 1/00142 takes precedence](#))}
- 1/00137 . . {End pieces, e.g. caps, seals, forceps plugs}
- 1/0014 . . {Fastening elements for attaching accessories to the outside of an endoscope shaft, e.g. clips, clamps or bands}
- 1/00142 . {with means for preventing contamination, e.g. by using a sanitary sheath}
- 1/00144 . . {Hygienic packaging}
- 1/00147 . {Holding or positioning arrangements}
- 1/00149 . . {using articulated arms}
- 1/00151 . . {using everted tubes}
- 1/00154 . . {using guide tubes}
- 1/00156 . . {using self propulsion}
- 1/00158 . . {using magnetic field}
- 1/0016 . . {using motor drive units}
- 1/00163 . {Optical arrangements ([A61B 1/002](#), [A61B 1/06 take precedence](#))}
- 1/00165 . . {with light-conductive means, e.g. fibre optics ([A61B 1/07 takes precedence](#))}
- 1/00167 . . . {Details of optical fibre bundles, e.g. shape or fibre distribution}
- 1/0017 . . . {Details of single optical fibres, e.g. material or cladding}
- 1/00172 . . {with means for scanning}
- 1/00174 . . {characterised by the viewing angles}
- 1/00177 . . . {for 90 degrees side-viewing}
- 1/00179 . . . {for off-axis viewing}
- 1/00181 . . . {for multiple fixed viewing angles ([A61B 1/00193 takes precedence](#))}
- 1/00183 . . . {for variable viewing angles}
- 1/00186 . . {with imaging filters}
- 1/00188 . . {with focusing or zooming features}
- 1/0019 . . . {characterised by variable lenses}
- 1/00193 . . {adapted for stereoscopic vision}
- 1/00195 . . {with eyepieces}
- 1/00197 . . . {characterised by multiple eyepieces}
- 1/002 . having rod-lens arrangements ([A61B 1/055 takes precedence](#))
- 1/005 . Flexible endoscopes
- 1/0051 . . {with controlled bending of insertion part}
- 1/0052 . . . {Constructional details of control elements, e.g. handles}
- 1/0053 {using distributed actuators, e.g. artificial muscles}
- 1/0055 . . . {Constructional details of insertion parts, e.g. vertebral elements}
- 1/0056 {the insertion parts being asymmetric, e.g. for unilateral bending mechanisms}
- 1/0057 . . . {Constructional details of force transmission elements, e.g. control wires}
- 1/0058 . . {using shape-memory elements}
- 1/008 . . Articulations
- 1/01 . . Guiding arrangements therefore
- 1/012 . characterised by internal passages or accessories therefor
- 1/0125 . . {Endoscope within endoscope}
- 1/015 . . Control of fluid supply or evacuation
- 1/018 . . for receiving instruments
- 1/04 . combined with photographic or television appliances ([camera adapters G03B 17/48](#))
- 1/041 . . {Capsule endoscopes for imaging}
- 1/042 . . {characterised by a proximal camera, e.g. a CCD camera}
- 1/043 . . {for fluorescence imaging}
- 1/045 . . Control therefor
- 1/05 . . characterised by the image sensor, e.g. camera, being in the distal end portion
- 1/051 . . . {Details of CCD assembly}
- 1/053 . . . {being detachable}
- 1/055 . . having rod-lens arrangements
- 1/06 . with illuminating arrangements
- 1/0607 . . {for annular illumination}
- 1/0615 . . {for radial illumination}
- 1/0623 . . {for off-axis illumination}
- 1/063 . . {for monochromatic illumination}
- 1/0638 . . {providing two or more wavelengths}
- 1/0646 . . {with illumination filters}
- 1/0653 . . {with wavelength conversion}
- 1/0661 . . {Endoscope light sources}
- 1/0669 . . . {at proximal end of an endoscope}
- 1/0676 . . . {at distal tip of an endoscope}
- 1/0684 . . . {using light emitting diodes [LED]}
- 1/0692 . . . {head mounted}
- 1/07 . . using light-conductive means, e.g. optical fibres
- 1/12 . with cooling or rinsing arrangements
- 1/121 . . {provided with means for cleaning post-use}
- 1/122 . . . {using cleaning tools, e.g. brushes}
- 1/123 . . . {using washing machines}
- 1/125 . . . {using fluid circuits}
- 1/126 . . {provided with means for cleaning in-use}
- 1/127 . . {with means for preventing fogging ([A61B 1/253 takes precedence](#))}
- 1/128 . . {provided with means for regulating temperature}
- 1/227 . for ears, i.e. otoscopes
- 1/2275 . . {with controlled air pressure}
- 1/233 . for the nose, i.e. nasoscopes {, e.g. testing of patency of Eustachian tubes}
- 1/24 . for the mouth, i.e. stomatoscopes, e.g. with tongue depressors ([tongue depressors per se A61B 13/00](#)); Instruments for opening or keeping open the mouth ([combined with saliva removers A61C 17/00](#); [mouth openers for animals A61D 15/00](#))
- 1/247 . . with means for viewing areas outside the direct line of sight, e.g. dentists' mirrors
- 1/253 . . . with means for preventing fogging

- 1/267 . . for the respiratory tract, e.g. laryngoscopes, bronchoscopes
- 1/2673 . . {for monitoring movements of vocal chords}
- 1/2676 . . {Bronchoscopes}
- 1/273 . . for the upper alimentary canal, e.g. oesophagoscopes, gastroscopes
- 1/2733 . . {Oesophagoscopes}
- 1/2736 . . {Gastroscopes}
- 1/303 . . for the vagina, i.e. vaginoscopes
- 1/307 . . for the urinary organs, e.g. urethrosopes, cystoscopes
- 1/31 . . for the rectum, e.g. proctoscopes, sigmoidoscopes {, colonoscopes}
- 1/313 . . for introducing through surgical openings, e.g. laparoscopes
- 1/3132 . . {for laparoscopy}
- 1/3135 . . {for examination of the epidural or the spinal space}
- 1/3137 . . {for examination of the interior of blood vessels}
- 1/317 . . for bones or joints, e.g. osteoscopes, arthroscopes
- 1/32 . . Devices for opening or enlarging the visual field, e.g. of a tube of the body (dilators A61M 29/00)
- 3/00 Apparatus for testing the eyes; Instruments for examining the eyes** (eye inspection using ultrasonic, sonic or infrasonic waves A61B 8/10; devices for treatment of the eyes A61F 9/00; exercisers for the eyes A61H 5/00; optical systems in general G02B)
- 3/0008 . . {provided with illuminating means (A61B 3/117 takes precedence; goniolescopes used for laser treatment A61F 9/009; illuminating means for optical instruments G02B 27/00)}
- 3/0016 . . {Operational features thereof}
- 3/0025 . . {characterised by electronic signal processing, e.g. eye models}
- 3/0033 . . {characterised by user input arrangements}
- 3/0041 . . {characterised by display arrangements}
- 3/005 . . . {Constructional features of the display}
- 3/0058 . . . {for multiple images}
- 3/0066 . . {with identification means for the apparatus}
- 3/0075 . . {provided with adjusting devices, e.g. operated by control lever (manipulators B25J)}
- 3/0083 . . {provided with means for patient positioning}
- 3/0091 . . {Fixation targets for viewing direction}
- 3/02 . . Subjective types, i.e. testing apparatus requiring the active assistance of the patient
- 3/022 . . {for testing contrast sensitivity}
- 3/024 . . for determining the visual field, e.g. perimeter types
- 3/028 . . for testing visual acuity; for determination of refraction, e.g. phoropters
- 3/0285 . . . {Phoropters}
- 3/032 . . . Devices for presenting test symbols or characters, e.g. test chart projectors (A61B 3/036 takes precedence)
- 3/0325 {provided with red and green targets}
- 3/036 . . . for testing astigmatism
- 3/04 . . . Trial frames; Sets of lenses for use therewith (lenses per se G02C 7/02)
- 3/06 . . for testing light sensitivity, e.g. adaptation; for testing colour vision
- 3/063 . . . {for testing light sensitivity, i.e. adaptation}
- 3/066 . . . {for testing colour vision}
- 3/08 . . for testing binocular or stereoscopic vision, e.g. strabismus
- 3/085 . . . {for testing strabismus}
- 3/09 . . for testing accommodation
- 3/10 . . Objective types, i.e. instruments for examining the eyes independent of the patients' perceptions or reactions
- 3/1005 . . {for measuring distances inside the eye, e.g. thickness of the cornea (A61B 3/11 takes precedence)}
- 3/101 . . {for examining the tear film}
- 3/1015 . . {for wavefront analysis}
- 3/102 . . {for optical coherence tomography [OCT]}
- 3/1025 . . {for confocal scanning}
- 3/103 . . for determining refraction, e.g. refractometers, skiascopes
- 3/1035 . . . {for measuring astigmatism (testing astigmatism A61B 3/036)}
- 3/107 . . for determining the shape or measuring the curvature of the cornea
- 3/11 . . for measuring interpupillary distance or diameter of pupils
- 3/111 . . . {for measuring interpupillary distance}
- 3/112 . . . {for measuring diameter of pupils}
- 3/113 . . for determining or recording eye movement
- 3/117 . . for examining the anterior chamber or the anterior chamber angle, e.g. gonioscopes
- 3/1173 . . . {for examining the eye lens}
- 3/1176 {for determining lens opacity, e.g. cataract}
- 3/12 . . for looking at the eye fundus, e.g. ophthalmoscopes (A61B 3/13 takes precedence)
- 3/1208 . . . {Multiple lens hand-held instruments}
- 3/1216 . . . {for diagnostics of the iris}
- 3/1225 . . . {using coherent radiation}
- 3/1233 {for measuring blood flow, e.g. at the retina}
- 3/1241 . . . {specially adapted for observation of ocular blood flow, e.g. by fluorescein angiography}
- 3/125 . . . with contact lenses (contact lenses per se G02C 7/04)
- 3/13 . . Ophthalmic microscopes
- 3/132 . . . {in binocular arrangement}
- 3/135 . . . Slit-lamp microscopes
- 3/14 . . Arrangements specially adapted for eye photography {(apparatus or arrangements for taking photographs per se G03B)}
- 3/145 . . . {by video means}
- 3/15 . . . with means for aligning, spacing or blocking spurious reflection {; with means for relaxing}
- 3/152 {for aligning}
- 3/154 {for spacing}
- 3/156 {for blocking}
- 3/158 {of corneal reflection}
- 3/16 . . for measuring intraocular pressure, e.g. tonometers
- 3/165 . . . {Non-contacting tonometers}
- 3/18 . . Arrangement of plural eye-testing or -examining apparatus
- 3/185 . . {characterised by modular construction}

5/00 Measuring for diagnostic purposes (radiation diagnosis [A61B 6/00](#); diagnosis by ultrasonic, sonic or infrasonic waves [A61B 8/00](#)); Identification of persons

NOTE

In this group, the following term is used with the meaning indicated:

"measuring" covers also detecting or recording.

- 5/0002 . {Remote monitoring of patients using telemetry, e.g. transmission of vital signals via a communication network ([A61B 5/07](#) takes precedence; transmission systems for measured values [G08C](#); transmission [H04B](#); transmission of digital information [H04L](#); wireless communication networks [H04W](#))}
- 5/0004 . . {characterised by the type of physiological signal transmitted}
- 5/0006 . . . {ECG or EEG signals}
- 5/0008 . . . {Temperature signals}
- 5/0011 . . . {Foetal or obstetric data}
- 5/0013 . . . {Medical image data ([A61B 1/00011](#), [A61B 6/56](#), [A61B 8/56](#) take precedence)}
- 5/0015 . . {characterised by features of the telemetry system}
- 5/0017 . . . {transmitting optical signals (transmission by light [H04B 10/00](#))}
- 5/002 . . . {Monitoring the patient using a local or closed circuit, e.g. in a room or building ([A61B 5/0017](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/0022 . . . {Monitoring a patient using a global network, e.g. telephone networks, internet}
- 5/0024 . . . {for multiple sensor units attached to the patient, e.g. using a body or personal area network}
- 5/0026 . . {characterised by the transmission medium}
- 5/0028 . . . {Body tissue as transmission medium, i.e. transmission systems where the medium is the human body}
- 5/0031 . . {Implanted circuitry}
- 5/0033 . {Features or image-related aspects of imaging apparatus classified in [A61B 5/00](#), e.g. for MRI, optical tomography or impedance tomography apparatus; arrangements of imaging apparatus in a room (image data processing or generation [G06T](#))}
- 5/0035 . . {adapted for acquisition of images from more than one imaging mode, e.g. combining MRI and optical tomography}
- 5/0036 . . {including treatment, e.g., using an implantable medical device, ablating, ventilating}

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/0036](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups [A61B 5/0033](#) and [A61B 5/4836](#).

Groups [A61B 5/0033](#), [A61B 5/0036](#) and [A61B 5/4836](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

- 5/0037 . . {Performing a preliminary scan, e.g. a prescan for identifying a region of interest}

- 5/004 . . {adapted for image acquisition of a particular organ or body part ([A61B 5/0082](#) takes precedence; arrangements for optical scanning [A61B 5/0062](#))}
- 5/0042 . . . {for the brain}
- 5/0044 . . . {for the heart}
- 5/0046 . . {Arrangements of imaging apparatus in a room, e.g. room provided with shielding or for improved access to apparatus}
- 5/0048 . {Detecting, measuring or recording by applying mechanical forces or stimuli ([A61B 5/021](#), [A61B 5/4884](#) and [A61B 9/00](#) take precedence)}
- 5/0051 . . {by applying vibrations}
- 5/0053 . . {by applying pressure, e.g. compression, indentation, palpation, grasping, gauging}
- 5/0055 . . {by applying suction}
- 5/0057 . . {by applying motion other than vibrations, e.g. rolling, rubbing, applying a torque, tribometry}
- 5/0059 . {using light, e.g. diagnosis by transillumination, diascopy, fluorescence ([A61B 5/0093](#), [A61B 5/1455](#), [A61B 5/02416](#) and [A61B 5/0261](#) take precedence)}
- 5/0062 . . {Arrangements for scanning}
- 5/0064 . . . {Body surface scanning}
- 5/0066 . . . {Optical coherence imaging}
- 5/0068 . . . {Confocal scanning}
- 5/0071 . . {by measuring fluorescence emission}
- 5/0073 . . {by tomography, i.e. reconstruction of 3D images from 2D projections ([A61B 5/0066](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/0075 . . {by spectroscopy, i.e. measuring spectra, e.g. Raman spectroscopy, infrared absorption spectroscopy ([A61B 5/0071](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/0077 . . {Devices for viewing the surface of the body, e.g. camera, magnifying lens}
- 5/0079 . . . {using mirrors, i.e. for self-examination}
- 5/0082 . . {adapted for particular medical purposes}
- 5/0084 . . . {for introduction into the body, e.g. by catheters ([A61B 5/1459](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/0086 {using infra-red radiation}
- 5/0088 . . . {for oral or dental tissue}
- 5/0091 . . . {for mammography}
- 5/0093 . {Detecting, measuring or recording by applying one single type of energy and measuring its conversion into another type of energy}
- 5/0095 . . {by applying light and detecting acoustic waves, i.e. photoacoustic measurements}
- 5/0097 . . {by applying acoustic waves and detecting light, i.e. acoustooptic measurements}
- 5/01 . Measuring temperature of body parts {; Diagnostic temperature sensing, e.g. for malignant or inflamed tissue} ([clinical contact thermometers G01K 13/20](#))
- 5/015 . . {By temperature mapping of body part}
- 5/02 . Detecting, measuring or recording pulse, heart rate, blood pressure or blood flow; Combined pulse/heart-rate/blood pressure determination; Evaluating a cardiovascular condition not otherwise provided for, e.g. using combinations of techniques provided for in this group with electrocardiography or electroauscultation; Heart catheters for measuring blood pressure
- 5/02007 . . {Evaluating blood vessel condition, e.g. elasticity, compliance}
- 5/02014 . . . {Determining aneurysm}

- 5/02021 . . . {Determining capillary fragility}
 - 5/02028 . . {Determining haemodynamic parameters not otherwise provided for, e.g. cardiac contractility or left ventricular ejection fraction}
 - 5/02035 . . . {Determining blood viscosity}
 - 5/02042 . . {Determining blood loss or bleeding, e.g. during a surgical procedure}
 - 5/0205 . . Simultaneously evaluating both cardiovascular conditions and different types of body conditions, e.g. heart and respiratory condition
 - 5/02055 . . . {Simultaneously evaluating both cardiovascular condition and temperature}
 - 5/021 . . Measuring pressure in heart or blood vessels ([A61B 5/0205 takes precedence](#))
 - 5/02108 . . . {from analysis of pulse wave characteristics}
 - 5/02116 {of pulse wave amplitude ([A61B 5/02225 takes precedence](#))}
 - 5/02125 {of pulse wave propagation time}
 - 5/02133 . . . {by using induced vibration of the blood vessel}
 - 5/02141 . . . {Details of apparatus construction, e.g. pump units or housings therefor, cuff pressurising systems, arrangements of fluid conduits or circuits ([A61B 5/02233](#), [A61B 5/0235 take precedence](#))}
 - 5/0215 . . . by means inserted into the body ([catheters A61M 25/00](#))
 - 5/02152 {specially adapted for venous pressure}
 - 5/02154 {by optical transmission}
 - 5/02156 {Calibration means}
 - 5/02158 {provided with two or more sensor elements}
 - 5/022 . . . by applying pressure to close blood vessels, e.g. against the skin; Ophthalmodynamometers
 - 5/02208 {using the Korotkoff method}
 - 5/02216 {Ophthalmodynamometers}
 - 5/02225 {using the oscillometric method}
 - 5/02233 {Occluders specially adapted therefor (tourniquets [A61B 17/132](#))}
 - 5/02241 {of small dimensions, e.g. adapted to fingers}
 - 5/0225 the pressure being controlled by electric signals, e.g. derived from Korotkoff sounds
 - 5/02255 {the pressure being controlled by plethysmographic signals, e.g. derived from optical sensors}
 - 5/023 the pressure transducers comprising a liquid column
 - 5/0235 Valves specially adapted therefor
 - 5/024 . . Detecting, measuring or recording pulse rate or heart rate ([A61B 5/0205](#), [A61B 5/021 take precedence](#))
 - 5/02405 . . . {Determining heart rate variability}
 - 5/02411 . . . {of foetuses}
 - 5/02416 . . . {using photoplethysmograph signals, e.g. generated by infra-red radiation ([A61B 5/14552 takes precedence](#))}
 - 5/02422 {within occluders}
 - 5/02427 {Details of sensor}
 - 5/02433 {for infra-red radiation}
 - 5/02438 . . . {with portable devices, e.g. worn by the patient}
 - 5/02444 . . . {Details of sensor ([A61B 5/02427 takes precedence](#))}
 - 5/0245 by using sensing means generating electric signals, {i.e. ECG signals}
 - 5/02455 {provided with high/low alarm devices}
 - 5/025 within occluders, e.g. responsive to Korotkoff sounds ([electric stethoscopes A61B 7/04](#))
 - 5/0255 . . . Recording instruments specially adapted therefor
 - 5/026 . . Measuring blood flow {([A61B 3/1233](#), [A61B 3/1241 take precedence](#))}
 - 5/0261 {using optical means, e.g. infra-red light}
 - 5/0263 {using NMR}
 - 5/0265 using electromagnetic means, e.g. electromagnetic flowmeter
 - 5/027 using catheters
 - 5/0275 using tracers, e.g. dye dilution
 - 5/02755 {Radioactive tracers}
 - 5/028 by thermo-dilution
 - 5/0285 . . . Measuring or recording phase velocity of blood waves
 - 5/029 . . . Measuring or recording blood output from the heart, e.g. minute volume {([A61B 8/065 takes precedence](#))}
 - 5/0295 . . . using plethysmography, i.e. measuring the variations in the volume of a body part as modified by the circulation of blood therethrough, e.g. impedance plethysmography
- WARNING**
- Group [A61B 5/0295](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/0535](#). Groups [A61B 5/0535](#) and [A61B 5/0295](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
- 5/03 . . Detecting, measuring or recording fluid pressure within the body other than blood pressure, e.g. cerebral pressure; {Measuring pressure in body tissues or organs ([A61B 5/205 takes precedence](#))}
 - 5/031 . . . {Intracranial pressure}
 - 5/032 . . . {Spinal fluid pressure}
 - 5/033 . . . {Uterine pressure}
 - 5/035 {Intra-uterine probes therefor}
 - 5/036 . . . {by means introduced into body tracts ([A61B 5/032 and A61B 5/035 take precedence](#))}
 - 5/037 {Measuring oesophageal pressure}
 - 5/038 {Measuring oral pressure}
 - 5/05 . . Detecting, measuring or recording for diagnosis by means of electric currents or magnetic fields; Measuring using microwaves or radio waves ([impedance plethysmography A61B 5/0295](#); [measuring movement of the entire body or parts thereof A61B 5/11](#); [detecting, measuring or recording bioelectric or biomagnetic signals of the body or parts thereof A61B 5/24](#))
 - 5/0507 . . . using microwaves or terahertz waves
 - 5/0515 . . . Magnetic particle imaging
 - 5/0522 . . . Magnetic induction tomography
 - 5/053 . . . Measuring electrical impedance or conductance of a portion of the body
 - 5/0531 Measuring skin impedance
 - 5/0532 specially adapted for acupuncture or moxibustion
 - 5/0533 Measuring galvanic skin response

- 5/0534 . . . for testing vitality of teeth
- 5/0535 . . . Impedance plethysmography (for measuring blood flow [A61B 5/0295](#))
- WARNING**
- Group [A61B 5/0535](#) is impacted by reclassification into group [A61B 5/0295](#). Groups [A61B 5/0535](#) and [A61B 5/0295](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
- 5/0536 . . . Impedance imaging, e.g. by tomography
- 5/0537 . . . Measuring body composition by impedance, e.g. tissue hydration or fat content
- 5/0538 . . . invasively, e.g. using a catheter
- 5/055 . . involving electronic [EMR] or nuclear [NMR] magnetic resonance, e.g. magnetic resonance imaging
- 5/06 . . Devices, other than using radiation, for detecting or locating foreign bodies (for removing same [A61B 17/50](#)); determining position of probes within or on the body of the patient
- 5/061 . . {Determining position of a probe within the body employing means separate from the probe, e.g. sensing internal probe position employing impedance electrodes on the surface of the body ([A61B 1/00158](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/062 . . . {using magnetic field}
- 5/063 . . . {using impedance measurements}
- 5/064 . . . {using markers ([A61B 5/062](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/065 . . {Determining position of the probe employing exclusively positioning means located on or in the probe, e.g. using position sensors arranged on the probe}
- 5/066 . . . {Superposing sensor position on an image of the patient, e.g. obtained by ultrasound or x-ray imaging}
- 5/067 . . . {using accelerometers or gyroscopes}
- 5/068 . . . {using impedance sensors}
- 5/07 . . Endoradiosondes
- 5/073 . . {Intestinal transmitters}
- 5/076 . . {Permanent implantations (telemetry using implanted circuitry [A61B 5/0031](#); implanted stimulators for therapy [A61N 1/3605](#), [A61N 1/362](#), [A61N 1/372](#))}
- 5/08 . . Detecting, measuring or recording devices for evaluating the respiratory organs ([A61B 5/0205](#) takes precedence)
- 5/0803 . . {Recording apparatus specially adapted therefor}
- 5/0806 . . {by whole-body plethysmography (measuring blood flow using plethysmography [A61B 5/0295](#); impedance plethysmography [A61B 5/053](#); measuring volume of the body or parts thereof [A61B 5/1073](#))}
- 5/0809 . . {by impedance pneumography}
- 5/0813 . . {Measurement of pulmonary parameters by tracers, e.g. radioactive tracers}
- 5/0816 . . {Measuring devices for examining respiratory frequency (measuring frequency of electric signals [G01R 23/00](#))}
- 5/082 . . {Evaluation by breath analysis, e.g. determination of the chemical composition of exhaled breath ([A61B 5/083](#), [A61B 5/091](#) take precedence)}
- 5/0823 . . {Detecting or evaluating cough events}
- 5/0826 . . {Detecting or evaluating apnoea events ([A61B 5/4818](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/083 . . Measuring rate of metabolism by using breath test, e.g. measuring rate of oxygen consumption
- 5/0833 . . . {Measuring rate of oxygen consumption}
- 5/0836 . . . {Measuring rate of CO₂ production}
- 5/085 . . Measuring impedance of respiratory organs or lung elasticity
- 5/087 . . Measuring breath flow
- 5/0871 . . . {Peak expiratory flowmeters}
- 5/0873 . . . {using optical means}
- 5/0875 . . . {using means carried by the fluid stream, e.g. free floating balls}
- 5/0876 . . . {using means deflected by the fluid stream, e.g. flaps}
- 5/0878 . . . {using temperature sensing means}
- 5/09 . . . using an element rotated by the flow {(toys actuated by air current [A63H 33/40](#))}
- 5/091 . . Measuring volume of inspired or expired gases, e.g. to determine lung capacity
- 5/093 . . . the gases being exhaled into, or inhaled from, an expansible chamber, e.g. bellows or expansible bag
- 5/0935 {Recording apparatus specially adapted therefor}
- 5/095 within a rigid container, e.g. the boundary being formed by a liquid surface
- 5/097 . . Devices for facilitating collection of breath or for directing breath into or through measuring devices
- 5/103 . . Detecting, measuring or recording devices for testing the shape, pattern, {colour,} size or movement of the body or parts thereof, for diagnostic purposes ([A61B 5/08](#) takes precedence; measuring aids for tailors [A41H 1/00](#); measuring instruments specially adapted for dentistry [A61C 19/04](#))
- 5/1032 . . {Determining colour for diagnostic purposes (measuring colour in general [G01J 3/46](#))}
- 5/1034 . . . {by means of colour cards}
- 5/1036 . . {Measuring load distribution, e.g. podologic studies}
- 5/1038 . . . {Measuring plantar pressure during gait}
- 5/107 . . Measuring physical dimensions, e.g. size of the entire body or parts thereof
- 5/1071 . . . {measuring angles, e.g. using goniometers ([A61B 5/1123](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/1072 . . . {measuring distances on the body, e.g. measuring length, height or thickness ([A61B 5/1076](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/1073 . . . {Measuring volume, e.g. of limbs}
- 5/1074 . . . {Foot measuring devices}
- 5/1075 . . . {for measuring dimensions by non-invasive methods, e.g. for determining thickness of tissue layer ([A61B 8/0858](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/1076 . . . {for measuring dimensions inside body cavities, e.g. using catheters ([A61B 3/1005](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/1077 . . . {Measuring of profiles}
- 5/1078 {by moulding}
- 5/1079 . . . {using optical or photographic means}

- 5/11 . . Measuring movement of the entire body or parts thereof, e.g. head or hand tremor, mobility of a limb ([for measuring pulse A61B 5/02](#) ;[A61B 5/1038 takes precedence](#); motion detection to correct for motion artifacts in physiological signals [A61B 5/721](#))}
 - 5/1101 . . . {Detecting tremor}
 - 5/1102 . . . {Ballistocardiography}
 - 5/1103 . . . {Detecting eye twinkling}
 - 5/1104 . . . {induced by stimuli or drugs; ([A61B 5/1102 takes precedence](#); investigating medicinal preparations [G01N 33/15](#))}
 - 5/1105 {of laboratory animals, e.g. activity}
 - 5/1106 {to assess neuromuscular blockade, e.g. to estimate depth of anaesthesia}
 - 5/1107 . . . {Measuring contraction of parts of the body, e.g. organ, muscle ([apparatus for measuring work or force in general G01L](#))}
 - 5/1108 {of excised organs, e.g. muscle preparations}
 - 5/1109 {of wounds, e.g. at the operation site}
 - 5/1111 . . . {Detecting tooth mobility}
 - 5/1112 . . . {Global tracking of patients, e.g. by using GPS}
 - 5/1113 . . . {Local tracking of patients, e.g. in a hospital or private home}
 - 5/1114 {Tracking parts of the body}
 - 5/1115 {Monitoring leaving of a patient support, e.g. a bed or a wheelchair}
 - 5/1116 . . . {Determining posture transitions}
 - 5/1117 {Fall detection}
 - 5/1118 . . . {Determining activity level}
 - 5/112 . . . {Gait analysis}
 - 5/1121 . . . {Determining geometric values, e.g. centre of rotation or angular range of movement}
 - 5/1122 {of movement trajectories}
 - 5/1123 . . . {Discriminating type of movement, e.g. walking or running ([A61B 5/1116](#), [A61B 5/112 take precedence](#))}
 - 5/1124 . . . {Determining motor skills}
 - 5/1125 {Grasping motions of hands}
 - 5/1126 . . . {using a particular sensing technique}
 - 5/1127 {using markers}
 - 5/1128 {using image analysis ([A61B 5/1127 takes precedence](#))}
 - 5/113 . . . occurring during breathing
 - 5/1135 {by monitoring thoracic expansion}
 - 5/117 . Identification of persons ([methods or arrangements for recognising patterns, e.g. fingerprints, G06K 9/00](#); identification of persons by analysing their voice or speech [G10L 17/00](#))
 - 5/1171 . . based on the shapes or appearances of their bodies or parts thereof
 - 5/1172 . . . using fingerprinting
 - 5/1174 . . . using footprinting
 - 5/1176 . . . {Recognition of faces}
 - 5/1178 . . . using dental data
 - 5/12 . Audiometering
 - 5/121 . . {evaluating hearing capacity}
 - 5/123 . . . {subjective methods}
 - 5/125 . . . {objective methods}
 - 5/126 {measuring compliance or mechanical impedance of the tympanic membrane}
 - 5/128 . . {evaluating tinnitus}
- 5/14 . {Devices for taking samples of blood ([hypodermic syringes A61M 5/00](#)); Measuring characteristics of blood [in vivo](#), e.g. gas concentration within the blood, pH-value of blood (measuring of blood pressure [A61B 5/02](#); non-radiation detecting or locating of foreign bodies in blood [A61B 5/06](#))}

WARNING

This group and its subgroups are no longer used for the classification of new documents as from April 1st, 2010. The backlog of these group is being continuously reclassified to [A61B 5/15](#) and subgroups

 - 5/1405 . . {Devices for taking blood samples ([devices for taking samples of other body liquids A61B 10/0045](#))}
 - 5/1411 . . . {by percutaneous method, e.g. by lancet}
 - 5/1416 . . . {by syringes containing more than one piston ([medical syringes in general A61M 5/178](#))}
 - 5/1422 . . . {provided with indicating means, e.g. for vein entry}
 - 5/1427 . . . {Multiple blood sampling, e.g. at periodic or pre-established intervals}
 - 5/1433 . . . {provided with locking means ([details of syringes A61M 5/315](#))}
 - 5/1438 . . . {using pre-evacuated means}
 - 5/1444 {Safety means, e.g. for locking cannula ([removing or disposing of used needles or syringes A61M 5/3205](#))}
 - 5/145 . Measuring characteristics of blood [in vivo](#), e.g. gas concentration, pH value; {Measuring characteristics of body fluids or tissues, e.g. interstitial fluid, cerebral tissue}(measuring of blood pressure or blood flow [A61B 5/02](#); non-radiation detecting or locating of foreign bodies in blood [A61B 5/06](#))
 - 5/14503 . . {invasive, e.g. introduced into the body by a catheter or needle or using implanted sensors ([A61B 5/1459](#), [A61B 5/1464](#), [A61B 5/1473](#), [A61B 5/1482](#), [A61B 5/1486](#) take precedence)}
 - 5/14507 . . {specially adapted for measuring characteristics of body fluids other than blood ([devices for taking samples of body liquids A61B 10/0045](#))}
 - 5/1451 . . . {for interstitial fluid}
 - 5/14514 {using means for aiding extraction of interstitial fluid, e.g. microneedles or suction}
 - 5/14517 . . . {for sweat}
 - 5/14521 {using means for promoting sweat production, e.g. heating the skin ([measuring sweat secretion A61B 5/4266](#))}
 - 5/14525 . . {using microdialysis}
 - 5/14528 . . . {invasively}
 - 5/14532 . . {for measuring glucose, e.g. by tissue impedance measurement}
 - 5/14535 . . {for measuring haematocrit}
 - 5/14539 . . {for measuring pH}
 - 5/14542 . . {for measuring blood gases ([A61B 5/14551 takes precedence](#))}
 - 5/14546 . . {for measuring analytes not otherwise provided for, e.g. ions, cytochromes}
 - 5/1455 . . using optical sensors, e.g. spectral photometrical oximeters
 - 5/14551 . . . {for measuring blood gases}

- 5/14552 {Details of sensors specially adapted therefor}
- 5/14553 {specially adapted for cerebral tissue}
- 5/14555 {specially adapted for the eye fundus}
- 5/14556 {by fluorescence ([A61B 5/14555 takes precedence](#))}
- 5/14557 {specially adapted to extracorporeal circuits}
- 5/14558 . . . {by polarisation}
- 5/1459 . . . invasive, e.g. introduced into the body by a catheter ([A61B 5/1464 takes precedence](#))}
- 5/1464 . . . specially adapted for foetal tissue
- 5/1468 . . using chemical or electrochemical methods, e.g. by polarographic means ([A61B 5/1486 takes precedence](#))}
- 5/1473 . . . invasive, e.g. introduced into the body by a catheter ([A61B 5/1482 takes precedence](#))}
- 5/14735 {comprising an immobilised reagent}
- 5/1477 . . . non-invasive
- 5/1482 . . . specially adapted for foetal tissue
- 5/1486 . . using enzyme electrodes, e.g. with immobilised oxidase
- 5/14865 . . . {invasive, e.g. introduced into the body by a catheter or needle or using implanted sensors}
- 5/1491 . . Heated applicators
- 5/1495 . . Calibrating or testing of in-vivo probes
- 5/15 . . Devices for taking samples of blood ([hypodermic syringes A61M 5/178](#))

NOTE

In these subgroups, the following terms are used with the meaning indicated:

- "piercing element" means skin penetrating component e.g. blade, needle, lancet, laser beam;
- "piercing or lancing device" means device ready to be used for lancing;
- "driving device" means device for driving a piercing element e.g. spring

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- 5/150007 . . {Details}
- 5/150015 . . . {Source of blood}
- 5/150022 {for capillary blood or interstitial fluid}
- 5/15003 {for venous or arterial blood}
- 5/150038 {for blood from umbilical cord}
- 5/150045 {for blood from vagina, placenta, colon or mouth}
- 5/150053 . . . {for enhanced collection of blood or interstitial fluid at the sample site, e.g. by applying compression, heat, vibration, ultrasound, suction or vacuum to tissue; for reduction of pain or discomfort; Skin piercing elements, e.g. blades, needles, lancets or canulas, with adjustable piercing speed}
- 5/150061 {Means for enhancing collection}
- 5/150068 {by tissue compression, e.g. with specially designed surface of device contacting the skin area to be pierced}
- 5/150076 {by heating}
- 5/150083 {by vibration, e.g. ultrasound}

- 5/150091 {by electricity}
- 5/150099 {by negative pressure, other than vacuum extraction into a syringe by pulling on the piston rod or into pre-evacuated tubes}
- 5/150106 {Means for reducing pain or discomfort applied before puncturing; desensitising the skin at the location where body is to be pierced}
- 5/150114 {by tissue compression, e.g. with specially designed surface of device contacting the skin area to be pierced}
- 5/150122 {by heating}
- 5/150129 {by cooling}
- 5/150137 {by vibration ([enhancing collection by vibration A61B 5/150175](#))}
- 5/150145 {by negative pressure, e.g. suction, vacuum}
- 5/150152 {by an adequate mechanical impact on the puncturing location}
- 5/15016 {by accessories for bringing the piercing element into the body, e.g. through rotation of the piercing element}
- 5/150167 {Adjustable piercing speed of skin piercing element, e.g. blade, needle, lancet or canula, for example with varying spring force or pneumatic drive}
- 5/150175 . . . {Adjustment of penetration depth}
- 5/150183 {Depth adjustment mechanism using end caps mounted at the distal end of the sampling device, i.e. the end-caps are adjustably positioned relative to the piercing device housing for example by rotating or screwing}
- 5/15019 {Depth adjustment mechanism using movable stops located inside the piercing device housing and limiting the travel of the drive mechanism ([mechanisms using distal end caps A61B 5/150183, mechanisms at the piercing element carrier proximal end A61B 5/150198](#))}
- 5/150198 {Depth adjustment mechanism at the proximal end of the carrier of the piercing element}
- 5/150206 . . . {Construction or design features not otherwise provided for; manufacturing or production; packages; sterilisation of piercing element, piercing device or sampling device}
- 5/150213 {Venting means}
- 5/150221 {Valves}
- 5/150229 {Pumps for assisting the blood sampling}
- 5/150236 {Pistons, i.e. cylindrical bodies that sit inside the syringe barrel, typically with an air tight seal, and slide in the barrel to create a vacuum or to expel blood}
- 5/150244 {Rods for actuating or driving the piston, i.e. the cylindrical body that sits inside the syringe barrel, typically with an air tight seal, and slides in the barrel to create a vacuum or to expel blood}

- 5/150251 {Collection chamber divided into at least two compartments, e.g. for division of samples (injection syringes having more than one chamber [A61M 5/19](#); syringes for injection of two or more media [A61M 5/2448](#), [A61M 5/284](#); sample preparation for further analysis [A61B 5/150755](#))}
- 5/150259 {Improved gripping, e.g. with high friction pattern or projections on the housing surface or an ergonomic shape}
- 5/150267 {Modular design or construction, i.e. subunits are assembled separately before being joined together or the device comprises interchangeable or detachable modules}
- 5/150274 {Manufacture or production processes or steps for blood sampling devices}
- 5/150282 {for piercing elements, e.g. blade, lancet, canula, needle}
- 5/15029 {for driving devices, i.e. means for driving the piercing element}
- 5/150297 {for piercing devices, i.e. devices ready to be used for lancing or piercing (for piercing elements [A61B 5/150282](#), for driving devices [A61B 5/15029](#))}
- 5/150305 {Packages specially adapted for piercing devices or blood sampling devices (kits for diabetes [A61M 5/003](#); packaging in general [B65D](#))}
- 5/150312 {Sterilisation of piercing elements, piercing devices or sampling devices (piercing element stocking means, e.g. cartridges, [A61B 5/15176](#))}
- 5/15032 {by heating}
- 5/150328 {by aseptic fluid}
- 5/150335 {by radiation}
- 5/150343 {Collection vessels for collecting blood samples from the skin surface, e.g. test tubes, cuvettes (sampling from within body cavities [A61B 5/150015](#), [A61B 5/150045](#))}
- 5/150351 {Caps, stoppers or lids for sealing or closing a blood collection vessel or container, e.g. a test-tube or syringe barrel (caps for bottles or containers in general [B65D 41/00](#))}
- 5/150358 {Strips for collecting blood, e.g. absorbent (optical reagent test strips [G01N 21/8483](#); chemical reagent test strips [G01N 33/4875](#), [G01N 33/52](#))}
- 5/150366 {Blood collection bags, e.g. connected to the patient by a catheter comprising means for removing a small sample of collected blood from the bag (collection bags as such [A61J 1/05](#), [A61M 1/0209](#))}
- 5/150374 {Details of piercing elements or protective means for preventing accidental injuries by such piercing elements (double-ended hollow needles [A61B 5/150473](#), [A61B 5/150389](#); single-ended hollow needles [A61B 5/150503](#), [A61B 5/150389](#))}
- 5/150381 {Design of piercing elements}
- 5/150389 {Hollow piercing elements, e.g. canulas, needles, for piercing the skin}
- 5/150396 {Specific tip design, e.g. for improved penetration characteristics}
- 5/150404 {Specific design of proximal end}
- 5/150412 {Pointed piercing elements, e.g. needles, lancets for piercing the skin (blade-like piercing elements [A61B 5/150442](#))}
- 5/150419 {comprising means for capillary action}
- 5/150427 {Specific tip design, e.g. for improved penetration characteristics}
- 5/150435 {Specific design of proximal end}
- 5/150442 {Blade-like piercing elements, e.g. blades, cutters, knives, for cutting the skin}
- 5/15045 {comprising means for capillary action}
- 5/150458 {Specific blade design, e.g. for improved cutting and penetration characteristics}
- 5/150465 {Specific design of proximal end}
- 5/150473 {Double-ended needles, e.g. used with pre-evacuated sampling tubes (hollow piercing element tip design [A61B 5/150396](#); needle sets for catheters [A61M 25/06](#); needles for bringing media into the body [A61M 5/32](#))}
- 5/15048 {Details of construction of proximal end}
- 5/150488 {Details of construction of shaft}
- 5/150496 {Details of construction of hub, i.e. element used to attach the double-ended needle to a piercing device or sampling device}
- 5/150503 {Single-ended needles (hollow piercing element tip design [A61B 5/150396](#), needle sets for catheters [A61M 25/06](#), needles for bringing media into the body [A61M 5/32](#))}
- 5/150511 {Details of construction of shaft}
- 5/150519 {Details of construction of hub, i.e. element used to attach the single-ended needle to a piercing device or sampling device}
- 5/150526 {Curved or bent needles}
- 5/150534 {Design of protective means for piercing elements for preventing accidental needle sticks, e.g. shields, caps, protectors, axially extensible sleeves, pivotable protective sleeves}
- 5/150541 {Breakable protectors, e.g. caps, shields or sleeves, i.e. protectors separated destructively, e.g. by breaking a connecting area}
- 5/150549 {Protectors removed by rotational movement, e.g. torsion or screwing}
- 5/150557 {Protectors removed by bending}
- 5/150564 {Protectors removed by pulling or pushing}
- 5/150572 {Pierceable protectors, e.g. shields, caps, sleeves or films, e.g. for hygienic purposes}
- 5/15058 {Joining techniques used for protective means}
- 5/150587 {by friction fit}
- 5/150595 {by snap-lock (i.e. based on axial displacement)}
- 5/150603 {by rotation, e.g. bayonet or screw}
- 5/15061 {by material engagement, e.g. welding, bonding}

- 5/150618 {Integrally moulded protectors, e.g. protectors simultaneously moulded together with a further component, e.g. a hub, of the piercing element}
- 5/150625 {by using additional parts, e.g. clamping rings or collets}
- 5/150633 {Protective sleeves which are axially extensible, e.g. sleeves connected to, or integrated in, the piercing or driving device; pivotable protective sleeves}
- 5/150641 {comprising means to impede repositioning of protection sleeve from covering to uncovering position}
- 5/150648 {fully automatically triggered, i.e. the triggering of the protective sleeve does not require a deliberate action by the user such as terminating the contact with the patient's skin}
- 5/150656 {semi-automatically triggered, i.e. in which the triggering of the protective sleeve requires a deliberate action by the user, e.g. manual release of spring-biased extension means}
- 5/150664 {Pivotable protective sleeves, i.e. sleeves connected to, or integrated in, the piercing or driving device, and which are pivoted for covering or uncovering the piercing element}
- 5/150671 {comprising means to impede repositioning of protection sleeve from covering to uncovering position}
- 5/150679 {fully automatically triggered, i.e. the triggering of the pivotable protective sleeve does not require a deliberate action by the user such as terminating the contact with the patient's skin}
- 5/150687 {semi-automatically triggered, i.e. in which the triggering of the pivotable protective sleeve requires a deliberate action by the user such as manual release of spring-biased extension means}
- 5/150694 {Procedure for removing protection means at the time of piercing}
- 5/150702 {fully automatically removed, i.e. the removing does not require any action by the user}
- 5/150709 {semi-automatically removed, i.e. before puncturing the protection is removed by a mechanism initiated by a deliberate action by the user, such as pressing a button}
- 5/150717 {manually removed}
- 5/150725 {removal procedure linked to further actions, e.g. cocking of the piercing device, which indicate that the piercing device is used or tempered}
- 5/150732 {Needle holders, for instance for holding the needle by the hub, used for example with double-ended needle and pre-evacuated tube,}
- 5/15074 {Needle sets comprising wings, e.g. butterfly type, for ease of handling}
- 5/150748 {Having means for aiding positioning of the piercing device at a location where the body is to be pierced ([means for aiding positioning of devices for bringing media into the body A61M 5/427](#), [locating blood vessels A61B 5/489](#))}
- 5/150755 {Blood sample preparation for further analysis, e.g. by separating blood components or by mixing}
- 5/150763 {with identification means ([identification means for surgical instruments A61B 90/90](#))}
- 5/15077 {characterized by physical shape}
- 5/150778 {having complementary physical shapes for indexing or registration purposes}
- 5/150786 {Optical identification systems, e.g. bar codes, colour codes}
- 5/150793 {Electrical or magnetic identification means}
- 5/150801 {Means for facilitating use, e.g. by people with impaired vision; means for indicating when used correctly or incorrectly; means for alarming}
- 5/150809 {by audible feedback}
- 5/150816 {by tactile feedback, e.g. vibration}
- 5/150824 {by visual feedback}
- 5/150832 {by topography of the surface, e.g. Braille, embossed printing}
- 5/150839 {Aesthetic features, e.g. distraction means to prevent fears of child patients}
- 5/150847 {Communication to or from blood sampling device ([transmitting measured data A61B 5/0002](#))}
- 5/150854 {long distance, e.g. between patient's home and doctor's office}
- 5/150862 {intermediate range, e.g. within room or building}
- 5/15087 {short range, e.g. between console and disposable ([using implanted devices A61B 5/150877](#))}
- 5/150877 {with implanted devices}
- 5/150885 {Preventing re-use}
- 5/150893 {by indicating if used, tampered with, unsterile or defective}
- 5/1509 {by disrupting a seal, e.g. puncturing a piston seal}
- 5/150908 {by disconnecting components, e.g. breaking or rupturing of connected parts, e.g. piston and rod}
- 5/150916 {by blocking components, e.g. piston, driving device or fluid passageway}
- 5/150923 {by means for destroying components or parts, e.g. by cutting or piercing}
- 5/150931 {by including soluble parts}
- 5/150938 {by blunting or disabling needle}
- 5/150946 {Means for varying, regulating, indicating or limiting the speed or time of blood collection}
- 5/150954 {Means for the detection of operative contact with patient, e.g. by temperature sensitive sensor}
- 5/150961 {Means for the detection of the presence or absence of a module, a component or an abnormal condition; detection of leaks}
- 5/150969 {Low-profile devices which resemble patches or plasters, e.g. also allowing collection of blood samples for testing}

- 5/150977 . . . {Arrays of piercing elements for simultaneous piercing}
- 5/150984 . . . {Microneedles or microblades}
- 5/150992 . . . {Blood sampling from a fluid line external to a patient, such as a catheter line, combined with an infusion line; blood sampling from indwelling needle sets, e.g. sealable ports, luer couplings, valves (tubing connectors and couplings [A61M 39/00](#))}
- 5/151 . . . {Devices} specially adapted for taking samples of capillary blood, e.g. by lancets {, needles or blades}
- 5/15101 . . . {Details}
- 5/15103 . . . {Piercing procedure}
- 5/15105 . . . {Purely manual piercing, i.e. the user pierces the skin without the assistance of any driving means or driving devices}
- 5/15107 . . . {Piercing being assisted by a triggering mechanism}
- 5/15109 . . . {Fully automatically triggered, i.e. the triggering does not require a deliberate action by the user, e.g. by contact with the patient's skin}
- 5/15111 . . . {Semi-automatically triggered, e.g. at the end of the cocking procedure, for instance by biasing the main drive spring or when reaching sufficient contact pressure, the piercing device is automatically triggered without any deliberate action by the user}
- 5/15113 . . . {Manually triggered, i.e. the triggering requires a deliberate action by the user such as pressing a drive button}
- 5/15115 . . . {Driving means for propelling the piercing element to pierce the skin, e.g. comprising mechanisms based on shape memory alloys, magnetism, solenoids, piezoelectric effect, biased elements, resilient elements, vacuum or compressed fluids}
- 5/15117 . . . {comprising biased elements, resilient elements or a spring, e.g. a helical spring, leaf spring, or elastic strap}
- 5/15119 . . . {comprising shape memory alloys}
- 5/15121 . . . {comprising piezos}
- 5/15123 . . . {comprising magnets or solenoids}
- 5/15125 . . . {comprising a vacuum or compressed fluids}
- 5/15126 . . . {Means for controlling the lancing movement, e.g. 2D- or 3D-shaped elements, tooth-shaped elements or sliding guides}
- 5/15128 . . . {comprising 2D- or 3D-shaped elements, e.g. cams, curved guide rails or threads (comprising tooth-shaped elements [A61B 5/15132](#))}
- 5/1513 . . . {comprising linear sliding guides (comprising tooth-shaped elements [A61B 5/15132](#))}
- 5/15132 . . . {comprising tooth-shaped elements, e.g. toothed wheel or rack and pinion}
- 5/15134 . . . {Bladeless capillary blood sampling devices, i.e. devices for perforating the skin in order to obtain a blood sample but not using a blade, needle, canula, or lancet, e.g. by laser perforation, suction or pressurized fluids}
- 5/15136 . . . {by use of radiation, e.g. laser}
- 5/15138 . . . {provided with means to ensure the protection of the user, e.g. to avoid laser light entering the eyes of a user}
- 5/1514 . . . {by use of gaseous agents, e.g. using suction aspiration or pressurized gas}
- 5/15142 . . . {Devices intended for single use, i.e. disposable}
- 5/15144 . . . {comprising driving means, e.g. a spring, for retracting the piercing unit into the housing}
- 5/15146 . . . {Devices loaded with multiple lancets simultaneously, e.g. for serial firing without reloading, for example by use of stocking means. (multiple simultaneous cutting or piercing [A61B 5/150977](#))}
- 5/15148 . . . {Constructional features of stocking means, e.g. strip, roll, disc, cartridge, belt or tube}
- 5/15149 . . . {Arrangement of piercing elements relative to each other}
- 5/15151 . . . {Each piercing element being stocked in a separate isolated compartment}
- 5/15153 . . . {Multiple piercing elements stocked in a single compartment}
- 5/15155 . . . {Piercing elements which are specially shaped or are provided with fittings or attachments to facilitate nesting, stacking or joining together end-to-end or side-by-side}
- 5/15157 . . . {Geometry of stocking means or arrangement of piercing elements therein}
- 5/15159 . . . {Piercing elements stocked in or on a disc}
- 5/15161 . . . {Characterized by propelling the piercing element in a radial direction relative to the disc}
- 5/15163 . . . {Characterized by propelling the piercing element in an axial direction relative to the disc}
- 5/15165 . . . {Piercing elements stocked in or on a strip}
- 5/15167 . . . {Characterized by a folded strip}
- 5/15169 . . . {Characterized by a rolled strip}
- 5/15171 . . . {Characterized by propelling the piercing element perpendicular to the direction of movement of the strip}
- 5/15173 . . . {Characterized by propelling the piercing element parallel to the direction of movement of the strip}
- 5/15174 . . . {Piercing elements stocked in the form of a stack or pile}
- 5/15176 . . . {Stocking means comprising cap, cover, sheath or protection for aseptic stocking}
- 5/15178 . . . {Stocking means comprising separate compartments or units for new and for used piercing elements (separate compartments for used piercing elements in piercing devices [A61B 5/15184](#))}
- 5/1518 . . . {Security or safety mechanism to be deactivated for forwarding next piercing element}
- 5/15182 . . . {Means for keeping track or checking of the total number of piercing elements already used or the number of piercing elements still remaining in the stocking, e.g. by check window, counter, display}

- 5/15184 {Piercing device comprising a separate compartment or unit for used piercing elements ([separate compartments for used piercing elements in stocking means A61B 5/15178](#))}
- 5/15186 {Devices loaded with a single lancet, i.e. a single lancet with or without a casing is loaded into a reusable drive device and then discarded after use; drive devices reloadable for multiple use}
- 5/15188 {Constructional features of reusable driving devices}
- 5/1519 {comprising driving means, e.g. a spring, for propelling the piercing unit}
- 5/15192 {comprising driving means, e.g. a spring, for retracting the lancet unit into the driving device housing}
- 5/15194 {fully automatically retracted, i.e. the retraction does not require a deliberate action by the user, e.g. by terminating the contact with the patient's skin}
- 5/15196 {semi-automatically retracted, i.e. in which the retraction of the piercing unit requires a deliberate action by the user such as manual release of spring-biased retraction means}
- 5/15198 {purely manually retracted}
- 5/153 . . {Devices} specially adapted for taking samples of venous or arterial blood, e.g. with syringes
- 5/1535 . . . {comprising means for indicating vein or arterial entry ([A61B 5/1545 takes precedence](#))}
- 5/154 . . . {Devices} using pre-evacuated means
- 5/1545 {comprising means for indicating vein or arterial entry}
- 5/155 . . {Devices} specially adapted for continuous or multiple sampling, e.g. at predetermined intervals ([\(devices loaded with multiple lancets simultaneously A61B 5/15146\)](#))}
- 5/157 . . {Devices} characterised by integrated means for measuring characteristics of blood
- 5/16 . . Devices for psychotechnics ([using teaching or educational appliances G09B 1/00 - G09B 7/00](#)); Testing reaction times {}; Devices for evaluating the psychological state}
- 5/161 . . {Flicker fusion testing ([eye testing A61B 3/00](#))}
- 5/162 . . {Testing reaction times}
- 5/163 . . {by tracking eye movement, gaze, or pupil change}
- 5/164 . . {Lie detection}
- 5/165 . . {Evaluating the state of mind, e.g. depression, anxiety}
- 5/167 . . {Personality evaluation}
- 5/168 . . {Evaluating attention deficit, hyperactivity}
- 5/18 . . for vehicle drivers {or machine operators}
- 5/20 . . for measuring urological functions {restricted to the evaluation of the urinary system ([A61B 5/4375 takes precedence](#))}
- 5/201 . . {Assessing renal or kidney functions}
- 5/202 . . {Assessing bladder functions, e.g. incontinence assessment}
- 5/204 . . . {Determining bladder volume}
- 5/205 . . . {Determining bladder or urethral pressure}
- 5/207 . . {Sensing devices adapted to collect urine}
- 5/208 . . . {adapted to determine urine quantity, e.g. flow, volume}
- 5/22 . . Ergometry; Measuring muscular strength or the force of a muscular blow ([\(exercising apparatus A63B 21/00\)](#) ; measuring of work or force in [general G01L](#))}
- 5/221 . . {Ergometry, e.g. by using bicycle type apparatus}
- 5/222 . . . {combined with detection or measurement of physiological parameters, e.g. heart rate}
- 5/224 . . {Measuring muscular strength}
- 5/225 . . . {of the fingers, e.g. by monitoring hand-grip force}
- 5/227 . . . {of constricting muscles, i.e. sphincters}
- 5/228 . . . {of masticatory organs, e.g. detecting dental force}
- 5/24 . . Detecting, measuring or recording bioelectric or biomagnetic signals of the body or parts thereof
- 5/2415 . . {Measuring direct current [DC] or slowly varying biopotentials}
- 5/242 . . Detecting biomagnetic fields, e.g. magnetic fields produced by bioelectric currents
- WARNING**
- Group [A61B 5/242](#) is impacted by reclassification into group [A61B 5/248](#).
- Groups [A61B 5/242](#) and [A61B 5/248](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
- 5/243 . . . specially adapted for magnetocardiographic [MCG] signals
- 5/245 . . . specially adapted for magnetoencephalographic [MEG] signals
- 5/246 using evoked responses
- 5/248 . . . specially adapted for magnetoneurographic [MNG] signals, e.g. magnetospinographic [MSG] signals
- WARNING**
- Group [A61B 5/248](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/242](#).
- Groups [A61B 5/242](#) and [A61B 5/248](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
- 5/25 . . Bioelectric electrodes therefor
- WARNING**
- Group [A61B 5/25](#) is impacted by reclassification into groups [A61B 5/251](#), [A61B 5/254](#), [A61B 5/256](#), [A61B 5/257](#), [A61B 5/26](#), [A61B 5/262](#), [A61B 5/263](#), [A61B 5/265](#), [A61B 5/266](#), [A61B 5/268](#), [A61B 5/27](#), [A61B 5/271](#), [A61B 5/273](#), [A61B 5/274](#), [A61B 5/276](#), [A61B 5/277](#), [A61B 5/279](#), [A61B 5/28](#), [A61B 5/29](#), [A61B 5/293](#), [A61B 5/294](#) and [A61B 5/297](#).
- All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

- 5/251 . . . Means for maintaining electrode contact with the body

WARNING

Groups [A61B 5/251](#), [A61B 5/254](#), [A61B 5/256](#) and [A61B 5/257](#) are incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/25](#).

All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

- 5/252 by suction
 5/254 by clips
 5/256 Wearable electrodes, e.g. having straps or bands
 5/257 using adhesive means, e.g. adhesive pads or tapes
 5/259 using conductive adhesive means, e.g. gels
 5/26 . . . maintaining contact between the body and the electrodes by the action of the subjects, e.g. by placing the body on the electrodes or by grasping the electrodes

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/26](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/25](#).

Groups [A61B 5/25](#) and [A61B 5/26](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

- 5/262 . . . Needle electrodes

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/262](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/25](#).

Groups [A61B 5/25](#) and [A61B 5/262](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

- 5/263 . . . characterised by the electrode materials

WARNING

Groups [A61B 5/263](#) - [A61B 5/27](#) are incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/25](#).

All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

- 5/265 containing silver or silver chloride
 5/266 containing electrolytes, conductive gels or pastes
 5/268 containing conductive polymers, e.g. PEDOT:PSS polymers
 5/27 Conductive fabrics or textiles

- 5/271 . . . Arrangements of electrodes with cords, cables or leads, e.g. single leads or patient cord assemblies

WARNING

Groups [A61B 5/271](#) - [A61B 5/274](#) are incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/25](#).

All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

- 5/273 Connection of cords, cables or leads to electrodes

- 5/274 using snap or button fasteners

- 5/276 . . . Protection against electrode failure

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/276](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/25](#).

Groups [A61B 5/25](#) and [A61B 5/276](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

- 5/277 . . . Capacitive electrodes

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/277](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/25](#).

Groups [A61B 5/25](#) and [A61B 5/277](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

- 5/279 . . . specially adapted for particular uses

WARNING

Groups [A61B 5/279](#), [A61B 5/28](#), [A61B 5/29](#), [A61B 5/293](#) and [A61B 5/294](#) are incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/25](#).

All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

- 5/28 for electrocardiography [ECG]

- 5/282 Holders for multiple electrodes (for introduction into the body [A61B 5/287](#))

- 5/283 Invasive

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/283](#) is impacted by reclassification into groups [A61B 5/29](#) and [A61B 5/293](#).

Groups [A61B 5/283](#), [A61B 5/29](#) and [A61B 5/293](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

- 5/285 Endotracheal, oesophageal or gastric probes

- 5/287 Holders for multiple electrodes, e.g. electrode catheters for electrophysiological study [EPS]

- 5/288 for foetal cardiography, e.g. scalp electrodes

5/29 for permanent or long-term implantation

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/29](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups [A61B 5/25](#) and [A61B 5/283](#).

Groups [A61B 5/25](#), [A61B 5/283](#) and [A61B 5/29](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

5/291 for electroencephalography [EEG]

5/293 Invasive

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/293](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups [A61B 5/25](#) and [A61B 5/283](#).

Groups [A61B 5/25](#), [A61B 5/283](#) and [A61B 5/293](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

5/294 for nerve conduction study [NCS]

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/294](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups [A61B 5/25](#).

Groups [A61B 5/25](#) and [A61B 5/294](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

5/296 for electromyography [EMG]

5/297 for electrooculography [EOG]: for electroretinography [ERG]

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/297](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups [A61B 5/25](#) and [A61B 5/398](#).

Groups [A61B 5/25](#), [A61B 5/398](#) and [A61B 5/297](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

5/30 . . . Input circuits therefor

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/30](#) is impacted by reclassification into groups [A61B 5/305](#), [A61B 5/307](#), [A61B 5/308](#), [A61B 5/31](#), [A61B 5/311](#), [A61B 5/313](#) and [A61B 5/315](#).

All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

5/301 providing electrical separation, e.g. by using isolating transformers or optocouplers

5/302 for capacitive or ionised electrodes, e.g. metal-oxide-semiconductor field-effect transistors [MOSFET]

5/303 {Patient cord assembly, e.g. cable harness}

5/304 Switching circuits

5/305 Common mode rejection

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/305](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/30](#).

Groups [A61B 5/30](#) and [A61B 5/305](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

5/307 specially adapted for particular uses

WARNING

Groups [A61B 5/307](#) - [A61B 5/315](#) are incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/30](#).

All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

5/308 for electrocardiography [ECG]

5/31 for electroencephalography [EEG]

5/311 for nerve conduction study [NCS]

5/313 for electromyography [EMG]

5/315 for electrooculography [EOG]; for electroretinography [ERG]

5/316 . . . Modalities, i.e. specific diagnostic methods

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/316](#) is impacted by reclassification into groups [A61B 5/321](#), [A61B 5/329](#), [A61B 5/33](#), [A61B 5/338](#), [A61B 5/343](#), [A61B 5/346](#), [A61B 5/347](#), [A61B 5/353](#), [A61B 5/355](#), [A61B 5/357](#), [A61B 5/358](#), [A61B 5/36](#), [A61B 5/367](#), [A61B 5/388](#), [A61B 5/395](#) and [A61B 5/397](#).

All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

5/318 Heart-related electrical modalities, e.g. electrocardiography [ECG]

5/319 Circuits for simulating ECG signals

5/321 Accessories or supplementary instruments therefor, e.g. cord hangers

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/321](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/316](#).

Groups [A61B 5/316](#) and [A61B 5/321](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

5/322 Physical templates or devices for measuring ECG waveforms, e.g. electrocardiograph rulers or calipers (by [template matching A61B 5/35](#))

5/324 Means for providing electrolytes, e.g. syringes

5/325 Preparing electrode sites, e.g. by abrasion

5/327 Generation of artificial ECG signals based on measured signals, e.g. to compensate for missing leads

- 5/329 Load diagnosis, e.g. cardiac stress tests
- WARNING**
- Group [A61B 5/329](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/316](#).
- Groups [A61B 5/316](#) and [A61B 5/329](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
- 5/33 specially adapted for cooperation with other devices
- WARNING**
- Group [A61B 5/33](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/316](#).
- Groups [A61B 5/316](#) and [A61B 5/33](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
- 5/332 Portable devices specially adapted therefor
- 5/333 Recording apparatus especially adapted therefor
- 5/335 using integrated circuit memory devices
- 5/336 Magnetic recording apparatus
- 5/337 {Playback at speeds other than the recording speed}
- 5/338 Recording by printing on paper
- WARNING**
- Group [A61B 5/338](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/316](#).
- Groups [A61B 5/316](#) and [A61B 5/338](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
- 5/339 Displays especially adapted therefor
- 5/341 Vectorcardiography [VCG]
- 5/343 Potential distribution indication
- WARNING**
- Group [A61B 5/343](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/316](#).
- Groups [A61B 5/316](#) and [A61B 5/343](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
- 5/344 Foetal cardiography
- 5/346 Analysis of electrocardiograms
- WARNING**
- Groups [A61B 5/346](#), [A61B 5/347](#), [A61B 5/353](#), [A61B 5/355](#), [A61B 5/357](#), [A61B 5/358](#) and [A61B 5/36](#) are incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/316](#).
- All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
- 5/347 Detecting the frequency distribution of signals

- 5/349 Detecting specific parameters of the electrocardiograph cycle
- 5/35 by template matching
- 5/352 Detecting R peaks, e.g. for synchronising diagnostic apparatus; Estimating R-R interval
- 5/353 Detecting P-waves
- 5/355 Detecting T-waves
- 5/357 Detecting U-waves
- 5/358 Detecting ST segments
- 5/36 Detecting PQ interval, PR interval or QT interval
- 5/361 Detecting fibrillation
- 5/363 Detecting tachycardia or bradycardia
- 5/364 Detecting abnormal ECG interval, e.g. extrasystoles, ectopic heartbeats
- 5/366 Detecting abnormal QRS complex, e.g. widening
- 5/367 Electrophysiological study [EPS], e.g. electrical activation mapping or electro-anatomical mapping
- WARNING**
- Group [A61B 5/367](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/316](#).
- Groups [A61B 5/316](#) and [A61B 5/367](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
- 5/369 . . . Electroencephalography [EEG] (devices for psychotechnics [A61B 5/16](#))
- WARNING**
- Group [A61B 5/369](#) is impacted by reclassification into groups [A61B 5/37](#), [A61B 5/372](#), [A61B 5/384](#) and [A61B 5/386](#).
- All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
- 5/37 Intracranial electroencephalography [IC-EEG], e.g. electrocorticography [ECoG]
- WARNING**
- Group [A61B 5/37](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/369](#).
- Groups [A61B 5/369](#) and [A61B 5/37](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
- 5/372 Analysis of electroencephalograms
- WARNING**
- Group [A61B 5/372](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/369](#).
- Groups [A61B 5/369](#) and [A61B 5/372](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
- 5/374 Detecting the frequency distribution of signals, e.g. detecting delta, theta, alpha, beta or gamma waves
- 5/375 using biofeedback

5/377 using evoked responses

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/377](#) is impacted by reclassification into group [A61B 5/383](#).
Groups [A61B 5/377](#) and [A61B 5/383](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

5/378 Visual stimuli

5/38 Acoustic or auditory stimuli

5/381 Olfactory or gustatory stimuli

5/383 Somatosensory stimuli, e.g. electric stimulation

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/383](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/377](#).
Groups [A61B 5/377](#) and [A61B 5/383](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

5/384 Recording apparatus or displays specially adapted therefor

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/384](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/369](#).
Groups [A61B 5/369](#) and [A61B 5/384](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

5/386 Accessories or supplementary instruments therefor

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/386](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/369](#).
Groups [A61B 5/369](#) and [A61B 5/386](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

5/388 . . . Nerve conduction study, e.g. detecting action potential of peripheral nerves

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/388](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/316](#).
Groups [A61B 5/316](#) and [A61B 5/388](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

5/389 . . . Electromyography [EMG]

5/391 of genito-urinary organs

5/392 Detecting gastrointestinal contractions

5/394 specially adapted for electroglottography or electropalatography

5/395 Details of stimulation, e.g. nerve stimulation to elicit EMG response

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/395](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/316](#).

Groups [A61B 5/316](#) and [A61B 5/395](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

5/397 Analysis of electromyograms

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/397](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 5/316](#). Groups [A61B 5/316](#) and [A61B 5/397](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

5/398 . . . Electrooculography [EOG], e.g. detecting nystagmus; Electroretinography [ERG]

WARNING

Group [A61B 5/398](#) is impacted by reclassification into group [A61B 5/297](#).
Groups [A61B 5/398](#) and [A61B 5/297](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

5/40 . . {Detecting, measuring or recording for evaluating the nervous system ([A61B 5/4806](#), [A61B 5/4821](#), [A61B 5/4824](#) take precedence)}

5/4005 . . {for evaluating the sensory system ([A61B 5/12](#), [A61B 5/4058](#) take precedence)}

5/4011 . . . {Evaluating olfaction, i.e. sense of smell}

5/4017 . . . {Evaluating sense of taste}

5/4023 . . . {Evaluating sense of balance}

5/4029 . . {for evaluating the peripheral nervous systems ([A61B 5/24](#) takes precedence)}

5/4035 . . . {Evaluating the autonomic nervous system}

5/4041 . . . {Evaluating nerves condition}

5/4047 {afferent nerves, i.e. nerves that relay impulses to the central nervous system}

5/4052 {efferent nerves, i.e. nerves that relay impulses from the central nervous system}

5/4058 . . {for evaluating the central nervous system ([A61B 5/4806](#), [A61B 5/4821](#) take precedence)}

5/4064 . . . {Evaluating the brain ([A61B 5/031](#), [A61B 5/369](#), [A61B 5/14553](#) take precedence)}

5/407 . . . {Evaluating the spinal cord ([A61B 5/4896](#) takes precedence)}

5/4076 . . {Diagnosing or monitoring particular conditions of the nervous system ([A61B 5/4821](#), [A61B 5/4824](#) take precedence)}

5/4082 . . . {Diagnosing or monitoring movement diseases, e.g. Parkinson, Huntington or Tourette}

5/4088 . . . {Diagnosing or monitoring cognitive diseases, e.g. Alzheimer, prion diseases or dementia}

5/4094 . . . {Diagnosing or monitoring seizure diseases, e.g. epilepsy}

5/41 . . {Detecting, measuring or recording for evaluating the immune or lymphatic systems}

5/411 . . {Detecting or monitoring allergy or intolerance reactions to an allergenic agent or substance}

5/412 . . {Detecting or monitoring sepsis}

- 5/413 . . {Monitoring transplanted tissue or organ, e.g. for possible rejection reactions after a transplant}
- 5/414 . . {Evaluating particular organs or parts of the immune or lymphatic systems}
- 5/415 . . . {the glands, e.g. tonsils, adenoids or thymus}
- 5/416 . . . {the spleen}
- 5/417 . . . {the bone marrow}
- 5/418 . . . {lymph vessels, ducts or nodes}
- 5/42 . {Detecting, measuring or recording for evaluating the gastrointestinal, the endocrine or the exocrine systems ([A61B 1/00](#), [A61B 5/4857](#), [A61B 5/486](#), [A61B 5/4866](#), [A61B 5/4869](#) take precedence)}
- 5/4205 . . {Evaluating swallowing}
- 5/4211 . . {Diagnosing or evaluating reflux}
- 5/4216 . . {Diagnosing or evaluating gastrointestinal ulcers}
- 5/4222 . . {Evaluating particular parts, e.g. particular organs}
- 5/4227 . . . {endocrine glands, i.e. thyroid, adrenals, hypothalamic, pituitary}
- 5/4233 . . . {oesophagus}
- 5/4238 . . . {stomach}
- 5/4244 . . . {liver}
- 5/425 . . . {pancreas}
- 5/4255 . . . {Intestines, colon or appendix}
- 5/4261 . . {Evaluating exocrine secretion production ([A61B 3/101](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/4266 . . . {sweat secretion}
- 5/4272 . . . {sebum secretion}
- 5/4277 . . . {saliva secretion}
- 5/4283 . . . {gastrointestinal secretions, e.g. bile production}
- 5/4288 . . . {mammary secretions}
- 5/4294 . . . {vaginal secretions}
- 5/43 . {Detecting, measuring or recording for evaluating the reproductive systems}
- 5/4306 . . {for evaluating the female reproductive systems, e.g. gynaecological evaluations}
- 5/4312 . . . {Breast evaluation or disorder diagnosis ([A61B 5/0091](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/4318 . . . {Evaluation of the lower reproductive system ([A61B 5/4343](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/4325 {of the uterine cavities, e.g. uterus, fallopian tubes, ovaries}
- 5/4331 {of the cervix ([A61B 5/435](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/4337 {of the vagina}
- 5/4343 . . . {Pregnancy and labour monitoring, e.g. for labour onset detection}
- 5/435 {Assessing cervix alteration or dilation}
- 5/4356 {Assessing uterine contractions ([A61B 5/033](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/4362 {Assessing foetal parameters}
- 5/4368 . . . {Sexual arousal evaluation}
- 5/4375 . . {for evaluating the male reproductive system}
- 5/4381 . . . {Prostate evaluation or disorder diagnosis}
- 5/4387 . . . {Testicles, seminal vesicles or sperm ducts evaluation}
- 5/4393 . . . {Sexual arousal or erectile dysfunction evaluation, e.g. tumescence evaluation}
- 5/44 . {Detecting, measuring or recording for evaluating the integumentary system, e.g. skin, hair or nails ([A61B 5/117](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/441 . . {Skin evaluation, e.g. for skin disorder diagnosis}
- 5/442 . . . {Evaluating skin mechanical properties, e.g. elasticity, hardness, texture, wrinkle assessment}
- 5/443 . . . {Evaluating skin constituents, e.g. elastin, melanin, water}
- 5/444 . . . {Evaluating skin marks, e.g. mole, nevi, tumour, scar}
- 5/445 . . . {Evaluating skin irritation or skin trauma, e.g. rash, eczema, wound, bed sore}
- 5/446 . . . {Scalp evaluation or scalp disorder diagnosis, e.g. dandruff}
- 5/447 . . . {specially adapted for aiding the prevention of ulcer or pressure sore development, i.e. before the ulcer or sore has developed}
- 5/448 . . {Hair evaluation, e.g. for hair disorder diagnosis}
- 5/449 . . {Nail evaluation, e.g. for nail disorder diagnosis}
- 5/45 . {For evaluating or diagnosing the musculoskeletal system or teeth ([A61B 5/1036](#), [A61B 5/1074](#), [A61B 7/006](#) take precedence)}
- 5/4504 . . {Bones ([A61B 5/4547](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/4509 . . . {Bone density determination}
- 5/4514 . . {Cartilage}
- 5/4519 . . {Muscles ([A61B 5/389](#), [A61B 5/224](#) take precedence)}
- 5/4523 . . {Tendons}
- 5/4528 . . {Joints ([A61B 5/4533](#), [A61B 5/4538](#) take precedence)}
- 5/4533 . . {Ligaments}
- 5/4538 . . {Evaluating a particular part of the musculoskeletal system or a particular medical condition}
- 5/4542 . . . {Evaluating the mouth, e.g. the jaw}
- 5/4547 {Evaluating teeth}
- 5/4552 {Evaluating soft tissue within the mouth, e.g. gums or tongue}
- 5/4557 {Evaluating bruxism}
- 5/4561 . . . {Evaluating static posture, e.g. undesirable back curvature ([A61B 5/1116](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/4566 . . . {Evaluating the spine ([A61B 5/4561](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/4571 . . . {Evaluating the hip}
- 5/4576 . . . {Evaluating the shoulder}
- 5/458 . . . {Evaluating the elbow}
- 5/4585 . . . {Evaluating the knee}
- 5/459 . . . {Evaluating the wrist}
- 5/4595 . . . {Evaluating the ankle}
- 5/48 . {Other medical applications}
- 5/4803 . . {Speech analysis specially adapted for diagnostic purposes}
- 5/4806 . . {Sleep evaluation ([A61B 5/4821](#) takes precedence; devices for inducing sleep [A61M 21/02](#))}
- 5/4809 . . . {Sleep detection, i.e. determining whether a subject is asleep or not}
- 5/4812 . . . {Detecting sleep stages or cycles}
- 5/4815 . . . {Sleep quality}
- 5/4818 . . . {Sleep apnoea}
- 5/4821 . . {Determining level or depth of anaesthesia ([A61B 5/1106](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/4824 . . {Touch or pain perception evaluation ([A61B 5/4821](#) takes precedence)}

- 5/4827 . . . {assessing touch sensitivity, e.g. for evaluation of pain threshold}
- 5/483 {by thermal stimulation}
- 5/4833 . . {Assessment of subject's compliance to treatment}
- 5/4836 . . {Diagnosis combined with treatment in closed-loop systems or methods ([A61B 5/0036 takes precedence](#))}
- WARNING**
- Group [A61B 5/4836](#) is impacted by reclassification into [A61B 5/0036](#).
- Groups [A61B 5/0036](#) and [A61B 5/4836](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
- 5/4839 . . . {combined with drug delivery}
- 5/4842 . . {Monitoring progression or stage of a disease}
- 5/4845 . . {Toxicology, e.g. by detection of alcohol, drug or toxic products ([A61B 5/4848 takes precedence](#))}
- 5/4848 . . {Monitoring or testing the effects of treatment, e.g. of medication}
- 5/4851 . . {Prosthesis assessment or monitoring}
- 5/4854 . . {Diagnosis based on concepts of traditional oriental medicine}
- 5/4857 . . {Indicating the phase of biorhythm (clocks or watches with indicators for biological cycles [G04B 19/264](#))}
- 5/486 . . {Bio-feedback ([A61B 5/375 takes precedence](#))}
- 5/4863 . . {Measuring or inducing nystagmus}
- 5/4866 . . {Evaluating metabolism ([A61B 5/083 takes precedence](#))}
- 5/4869 . . {Determining body composition}
- 5/4872 . . . {Body fat}
- 5/4875 . . . {Hydration status, fluid retention of the body}
- 5/4878 {Evaluating oedema}
- 5/4881 . . . {Determining interstitial fluid distribution or content within body tissue (measuring analytes in interstitial fluid in-vivo [A61B 5/1451](#))}
- 5/4884 . . {inducing physiological or psychological stress, e.g. applications for stress testing}
- 5/4887 . . {Locating particular structures in or on the body}
- 5/489 . . . {Blood vessels}
- 5/4893 . . . {Nerves}
- 5/4896 . . . {Epidural space}
- 5/68 . . {Arrangements of detecting, measuring or recording means, e.g. sensors, in relation to patient}
- 5/6801 . . {specially adapted to be attached to or worn on the body surface}
- 5/6802 . . . {Sensor mounted on worn items}
- 5/6803 {Head-worn items, e.g. helmets, masks, headphones or goggles}
- 5/6804 {Garments; Clothes}
- 5/6805 {Vests}
- 5/6806 {Gloves}
- 5/6807 {Footwear}
- 5/6808 {Diapers}
- 5/681 {Wristwatch-type devices}
- 5/6811 {External prosthesis}
- 5/6812 {Orthopaedic devices}
- 5/6813 . . . {Specially adapted to be attached to a specific body part ([A61B 5/6802 takes precedence](#))}
- 5/6814 {Head}
- 5/6815 {Ear}
- 5/6816 {Ear lobe}
- 5/6817 {Ear canal}
- 5/6819 {Nose}
- 5/682 {Mouth, e.g., oral cavity; tongue; Lips; Teeth}
- 5/6821 {Eye}
- 5/6822 {Neck}
- 5/6823 {Trunk, e.g., chest, back, abdomen, hip}
- 5/6824 {Arm or wrist}
- 5/6825 {Hand}
- 5/6826 {Finger}
- 5/6828 {Leg}
- 5/6829 {Foot or ankle}
- 5/683 . . . {Means for maintaining contact with the body ([A61B 5/6802 takes precedence](#))}
- 5/6831 {Straps, bands or harnesses}
- 5/6832 {using adhesives ([A61B 5/259 takes precedence](#))}
- 5/6833 {Adhesive patches}
- 5/68335 {including release sheets or liners}
- 5/6834 {using vacuum}
- 5/6835 {Supports or holders, e.g., articulated arms}
- 5/6837 {Sutures}
- 5/6838 {Clamps or clips}
- 5/6839 {Anchoring means, e.g. barbs}
- 5/684 . . . {Indicating the position of the sensor on the body}
- 5/6841 {by using templates}
- 5/6842 {by marking the skin}
- 5/6843 . . . {Monitoring or controlling sensor contact pressure}
- 5/6844 . . . {Monitoring or controlling distance between sensor and tissue}
- 5/6846 . . {specially adapted to be brought in contact with an internal body part, i.e. invasive}
- 5/6847 . . . {mounted on an invasive device}
- 5/6848 {Needles}
- 5/6849 {in combination with a needle set}
- 5/685 {Microneedles}
- 5/6851 {Guide wires}
- 5/6852 {Catheters}
- 5/6853 {with a balloon}
- 5/6855 {with a distal curved tip}
- 5/6856 {with a distal loop}
- 5/6857 {with a distal pigtail shape}
- 5/6858 {with a distal basket, e.g. expandable basket}
- 5/6859 {with multiple distal splines}
- 5/686 {Permanently implanted devices, e.g. pacemakers, other stimulators, biochips ([A61B 5/6861 takes precedence](#))}
- 5/6861 {Capsules, e.g. for swallowing or implanting}
- 5/6862 {Stents}
- 5/6864 {Burr holes}
- 5/6865 {Access ports}
- 5/6866 {Extracorporeal blood circuits, e.g. dialysis circuits}
- 5/6867 . . . {specially adapted to be attached or implanted in a specific body part ([A61B 5/6847 takes precedence](#))}
- 5/6868 {Brain}

- 5/6869 {Heart}
- 5/687 {Oesophagus}
- 5/6871 {Stomach}
- 5/6873 {Intestine}
- 5/6874 {Bladder}
- 5/6875 {Uterus}
- 5/6876 {Blood vessel}
- 5/6877 {Nerve}
- 5/6878 {Bone}
- 5/6879 . . . {Means for maintaining contact with the body
([A61B 5/6847](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/688 {using adhesives}
- 5/6882 {Anchoring means}
- 5/6883 {Sutures}
- 5/6884 {Clamps or clips}
- 5/6885 . . . {Monitoring or controlling sensor contact
pressure}
- 5/6886 . . . {Monitoring or controlling distance between
sensor and tissue}
- 5/6887 . . {mounted on external non-worn devices, e.g. non-
medical devices}
- 5/6888 . . . {Cabins}
- 5/6889 . . . {Rooms}
- 5/6891 . . . {Furniture}
- 5/6892 . . . {Mats}
- 5/6893 . . . {Cars}
- 5/6894 . . . {Wheel chairs}
- 5/6895 . . . {Sport equipment}
- 5/6896 . . . {Toys}
- 5/6897 . . . {Computer input devices, e.g. mice or
keyboards}
- 5/6898 . . . {Portable consumer electronic devices, e.g.
music players, telephones, tablet computers}
- 5/70 . {Means for positioning the patient in relation to the
detecting, measuring or recording means}
- 5/702 . . {Posture restraints}
- 5/704 . . {Tables}
- 5/706 . . {Indicia not located on the patient, e.g. floor
marking}
- 5/708 . . {Breast positioning means}
- 5/72 . {Signal processing specially adapted for
physiological signals or for diagnostic purposes
([pattern recognition G06K 9/00](#))}
- 5/7203 . . {for noise prevention, reduction or removal}
- 5/7207 . . . {of noise induced by motion artifacts}
- 5/721 {using a separate sensor to detect motion
or using motion information derived from
signals other than the physiological signal to
be measured}
- 5/7214 {using signal cancellation, e.g. based on
input of two identical physiological sensors
spaced apart, or based on two signals derived
from the same sensor, for different optical
wavelengths}
- 5/7217 . . . {of noise originating from a therapeutic or
surgical apparatus, e.g. from a pacemaker}
- 5/7221 . . {Determining signal validity, reliability or
quality ([A61B 5/7207](#) and [A61B 5/7217](#) take
precedence)}
- 5/7225 . . {Details of analog processing, e.g. isolation
amplifier, gain or sensitivity adjustment, filtering,
baseline or drift compensation ([A61B 5/30](#),
[A61B 5/316](#) take precedence; transformers for
specific applications [H01F 38/00](#); amplifiers
[H03F](#))}
- 5/7228 . . {Signal modulation applied to the input signal
sent to patient or subject; demodulation to recover
the physiological signal ([modulation H03C](#))}
- 5/7232 . . {involving compression of the physiological
signal, e.g. to extend the signal recording period}
- 5/7235 . . {Details of waveform analysis ([A61B 5/349](#) takes
precedence)}
- 5/7239 . . . {using differentiation including higher order
derivatives}
- 5/7242 . . . {using integration}
- 5/7246 . . . {using correlation, e.g. template matching or
determination of similarity}
- 5/725 {using specific filters therefor, e.g. Kalman or
adaptive filters ([A61B 5/316](#) take precedence)}
- 5/7253 {characterised by using transforms}
- 5/7257 {using Fourier transforms}
- 5/726 {using Wavelet transforms}
- 5/7264 . . . {Classification of physiological signals or
data, e.g. using neural networks, statistical
classifiers, expert systems or fuzzy systems
([neural networks per se G01N 3/00](#); [expert
systems per se G06N 5/00](#))}
- 5/7267 {involving training the classification device}
- 5/7271 . . {Specific aspects of physiological measurement
analysis ([A61B 5/316](#), [A61B 5/349](#) and
[A61B 5/374](#) take precedence)}
- 5/7275 . . . {Determining trends in physiological
measurement data}; Predicting development
of a medical condition based on physiological
measurements, e.g. determining a risk factor}
- 5/7278 . . . {Artificial waveform generation or derivation,
e.g. synthesising signals from measured signals
([A61B 5/327](#) takes precedence)}
- 5/7282 . . . {Event detection, e.g. detecting unique
waveforms indicative of a medical condition
([A61B 5/4094](#), [A61B 5/4818](#), [A61B 5/349](#),
[A61B 5/0823](#) take precedence)}
- 5/7285 . . . {for synchronising or triggering a physiological
measurement or image acquisition with a
physiological event or waveform, e.g. an
ECG signal ([A61B 6/5205](#), [A61B 6/541](#),
[A61B 8/5207](#), [A61B 8/543](#) take precedence)}
- 5/7289 {Retrospective gating, i.e. associating
measured signals or images with a
physiological event after the actual
measurement or image acquisition, e.g.
by simultaneously recording an additional
physiological signal during the measurement
or image acquisition}
- 5/7292 {Prospective gating, i.e. predicting the
occurrence of a physiological event for use
as a synchronisation signal}
- 5/7296 . . . {for compensation of signal variation due
to stress unintentionally induced in the
patient, e.g. due to the stress of the medical
environment or examination ([deliberately
inducing physiological or psychological stress
A61B 5/4884](#))}

- 5/74 . {Details of notification to user or communication with user or patient ([indicating measured values G01D 7/00](#)); user input means ([input or output arrangements for computers G06F 3/00](#))}
- 5/7405 . . {using sound}
- 5/741 . . . {using synthesised speech}
- 5/7415 . . . {Sound rendering of measured values, e.g. by pitch or volume variation ([A61B 5/741 takes precedence](#))}
- 5/742 . . {using visual displays ([A61B 5/339 takes precedence](#))}
- 5/7425 . . . {Displaying combinations of multiple images regardless of image source, e.g. displaying a reference anatomical image with a live image ([geometric transforms for image registration G06T 3/0068](#); [enhancement using image fusion G06T 5/50](#); [algorithms for registration of images G06T 7/30](#))}
- 5/743 . . . {Displaying an image simultaneously with additional graphical information, e.g. symbols, charts, function plots}
- 5/7435 . . . {Displaying user selection data, e.g. icons in a graphical user interface}
- 5/744 . . . {Displaying an avatar, e.g. an animated cartoon character}
- 5/7445 . . . {Display arrangements, e.g. multiple display units}
- 5/745 . . . {using a holographic display}
- 5/7455 . . {characterised by tactile indication, e.g. vibration or electrical stimulation}
- 5/746 . . {Alarms related to a physiological condition, e.g. details of setting alarm thresholds or avoiding false alarms ([alarms per se G08B](#))}
- 5/7465 . . {Arrangements for interactive communication between patient and care services, e.g. by using a telephone network ([telemetry of measured physiological signal A61B 5/0002](#))}
- 5/747 . . . {in case of emergency, i.e. alerting emergency services}
- 5/7475 . . {User input or interface means, e.g. keyboard, pointing device, joystick}
- 5/748 . . . {Selection of a region of interest, e.g. using a graphics tablet}
- 5/7485 {Automatic selection of region of interest}
- 5/749 . . . {Voice-controlled interfaces}
- 5/7495 . . . {using a reader or scanner device, e.g. barcode scanner}
- 6/00 Apparatus for radiation diagnosis, e.g. combined with radiation therapy equipment ([instruments measuring radiation intensity for application in the field of nuclear medicine, e.g. in vivo counting, G01T 1/161](#); [apparatus for taking X-ray photographs G03B 42/02](#))**

NOTE

{In this group, the following terms or expressions are used with the meaning indicated:

- "radiation" means ionising radiation, e.g. X rays or gamma rays, and does not cover other forms of radiation, e.g. optical}

- 6/02 . Devices for diagnosis sequentially in different planes; Stereoscopic radiation diagnosis
- WARNING**
- Group [A61B 6/02](#) is impacted by reclassification into group [A61B 6/4429](#).
- Groups [A61B 6/02](#) and [A61B 6/4429](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
- 6/022 . . {Stereoscopic imaging}
- 6/025 . . {Tomosynthesis}
- 6/027 . . {characterised by the use of a particular data acquisition trajectory, e.g. helical or spiral}
- 6/03 . . Computerised tomographs ([echo-tomography A61B 8/14](#))
- 6/032 . . . {Transmission computed tomography [CT]}
- 6/035 {Mechanical aspects of CT}
- 6/037 . . . {Emission tomography}
- 6/04 . Positioning of patients; Tilttable beds or the like ([operating tables A61G 13/00](#); [operating chairs A61G 15/00](#))
- 6/0407 . . {Supports, e.g. tables or beds, for the body or parts of the body}
- 6/0414 . . . {with compression means}
- 6/0421 . . . {with immobilising means}
- 6/0428 {Patient cradles}
- 6/0435 . . . {with means for imaging suspended breasts}
- 6/0442 . . . {made of non-metallic materials}
- 6/045 . . . {with heating or cooling means}
- 6/0464 . . . {mounted to ceiling}
- 6/0471 . . . {based on an endless-band}
- 6/0478 . . {Chairs}
- 6/0485 . . {Inflatable rests for lifting of patients}
- 6/0487 . . {Motor-assisted positioning}
- 6/0492 . . {using markers or indicia for aiding patient positioning}
- 6/06 . Diaphragms
- 6/08 . Auxiliary means for directing the radiation beam to a particular spot, e.g. using light beams
- 6/10 . Application or adaptation of safety means
- 6/102 . . {Protection against mechanical damage, e.g. anti-collision devices}
- 6/105 . . . {Braking or locking devices}
- 6/107 . . {Protection against radiation, e.g. shielding}
- 6/12 . Devices for detecting or locating foreign bodies ([A61B 6/02 takes precedence](#))
- 6/14 . Applications or adaptations for dentistry
- 6/145 . . {by intraoral means}
- 6/40 . {with arrangements for generating radiation specially adapted for radiation diagnosis}
- 6/4007 . . {characterised by using a plurality of source units}
- 6/4014 . . . {arranged in multiple source-detector units}
- 6/4021 . . {involving movement of the focal spot}
- 6/4028 . . . {resulting in acquisition of views from substantially different positions, e.g. EBCT}
- 6/4035 . . {the source being combined with a filter or grating}
- 6/4042 . . . {K-edge filters}
- 6/405 . . {Source units specially adapted to modify characteristics of the beam during the data acquisition process ([A61B 6/4021](#), [A61B 6/4035 take precedence](#))}

- 6/4057 . . {by using radiation sources located in the interior of the body ([A61B 6/037 takes precedence](#))}
- 6/4064 . . {specially adapted for producing a particular type of beam}
- 6/4071 . . . {Pencil beams}
- 6/4078 . . . {Fan-beams}
- 6/4085 . . . {Cone-beams}
- 6/4092 . . . {for producing synchrotron radiation}
- 6/42 . . {with arrangements for detecting radiation specially adapted for radiation diagnosis}
- 6/4208 . . {characterised by using a particular type of detector}
- 6/4216 . . . {using storage phosphor screens}
- 6/4225 . . . {using image intensifiers}
- 6/4233 . . . {using matrix detectors}
- 6/4241 . . . {using energy resolving detectors, e.g. photon counting}
- 6/425 . . . {using detectors specially adapted to be used in the interior of the body}
- 6/4258 . . . {for detecting non x-ray radiation, e.g. gamma radiation ([A61B 6/037 takes precedence](#))}
- 6/4266 . . {characterised by using a plurality of detector units ([A61B 6/4014 takes precedence](#))}
- 6/4275 . . {using a detector unit almost surrounding the patient, e.g. more than 180°}
- 6/4283 . . {characterised by a detector unit being housed in a cassette}

WARNING

Group [A61B 6/4283](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 6/4411](#).

Groups [A61B 6/4411](#) and [A61B 6/4283](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

- 6/4291 . . {the detector being combined with a grid or grating}
- 6/44 . . {Constructional features of apparatus for radiation diagnosis}
- 6/4405 . . {the apparatus being movable or portable, e.g. handheld or mounted on a trolley}
- 6/4411 . . {the apparatus being modular ([A61B 6/4283 takes precedence](#))}

WARNING

Group [A61B 6/4411](#) is impacted by reclassification into group [A61B 6/4283](#).

Groups [A61B 6/4411](#) and [A61B 6/4283](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

- 6/4417 . . {related to combined acquisition of different diagnostic modalities}
- 6/4423 . . {related to hygiene or sterilisation}

- 6/4429 . . {related to the mounting of source units and detector units}

WARNING

Group [A61B 6/4429](#) is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group [A61B 6/02](#).

Groups [A61B 6/02](#) and [A61B 6/4429](#) should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

- 6/4435 . . . {the source unit and the detector unit being coupled by a rigid structure}
- 6/4441 {the rigid structure being a C-arm or U-arm}
- 6/4447 {Tilttable gantries}
- 6/4452 . . . {the source unit and the detector unit being able to move relative to each other}
- 6/4458 . . . {the source unit or the detector unit being attached to robotic arms}
- 6/4464 . . . {the source unit or the detector unit being mounted to ceiling}
- 6/447 . . . {the source unit or the detector unit being mounted to counterpoise or springs}
- 6/4476 . . {related to motor-assisted motion of the source unit}
- 6/4482 . . . {involving power assist circuits}
- 6/4488 . . {Means for cooling ([A61B 6/045 takes precedence](#))}
- 6/4494 . . {Means for identifying the diagnostic device}
- 6/46 . . {with special arrangements for interfacing with the operator or the patient}
- 6/461 . . {Displaying means of special interest}
- 6/462 . . . {characterised by constructional features of the display}
- 6/463 . . . {characterised by displaying multiple images or images and diagnostic data on one display}
- 6/464 . . . {involving a plurality of displays}
- 6/465 . . . {adapted to display user selection data, e.g. graphical user interface, icons or menus}
- 6/466 . . . {adapted to display 3D data}
- 6/467 . . {characterised by special input means}
- 6/468 . . . {allowing annotation or message recording}
- 6/469 . . . {for selecting a region of interest [ROI]}
- 6/48 . . {Diagnostic techniques ([A61B 6/022](#), [A61B 6/025](#), [A61B 6/032](#), [A61B 6/037 take precedence](#))}
- 6/481 . . {involving the use of contrast agents}
- 6/482 . . {involving multiple energy imaging}
- 6/483 . . {involving scattered radiation}
- 6/484 . . {involving phase contrast X-ray imaging}
- 6/485 . . {involving fluorescence X-ray imaging}
- 6/486 . . {involving generating temporal series of image data}
- 6/487 . . . {involving fluoroscopy}
- 6/488 . . {involving pre-scan acquisition}
- 6/50 . . {Clinical applications ([dentistry A61B 6/14 takes precedence](#))}
- 6/501 . . {involving diagnosis of head, e.g. neuroimaging, craniography}
- 6/502 . . {involving diagnosis of breast, i.e. mammography}
- 6/503 . . {involving diagnosis of heart}
- 6/504 . . {involving diagnosis of blood vessels, e.g. by angiography}
- 6/505 . . {involving diagnosis of bone}

- 6/506 . . {involving diagnosis of nerves}
- 6/507 . . {involving determination of haemodynamic parameters, e.g. perfusion CT}
- 6/508 . . {for non-human patients}
- 6/52 . {Devices using data or image processing specially adapted for radiation diagnosis}
- 6/5205 . . {involving processing of raw data to produce diagnostic data}
- 6/5211 . . {involving processing of medical diagnostic data}
- 6/5217 . . . {extracting a diagnostic or physiological parameter from medical diagnostic data}
- 6/5223 . . . {generating planar views from image data, e.g. extracting a coronal view from a 3D image}
- 6/5229 . . . {combining image data of a patient, e.g. combining a functional image with an anatomical image}
- 6/5235 {combining images from the same or different ionising radiation imaging techniques, e.g. PET and CT}
- 6/5241 {combining overlapping images of the same imaging modality, e.g. by stitching}
- 6/5247 {combining images from an ionising-radiation diagnostic technique and a non-ionising radiation diagnostic technique, e.g. X-ray and ultrasound}
- 6/5252 . . . {removing objects from field of view, e.g. removing patient table from a CT image}
- 6/5258 . . {involving detection or reduction of artifacts or noise}
- 6/5264 . . . {due to motion}
- 6/527 {using data from a motion artifact sensor}
- 6/5276 {involving measuring table sag}
- 6/5282 . . . {due to scatter}
- 6/5288 . . {involving retrospective matching to a physiological signal}
- 6/5294 . . {involving using additional data, e.g. patient information, image labeling, acquisition parameters}
- 6/54 . {Control of apparatus or devices for radiation diagnosis}
- 6/541 . . {involving acquisition triggered by a physiological signal}
- 6/542 . . {involving control of exposure}
- 6/544 . . . {dependent on patient size}
- 6/545 . . {involving automatic set-up of acquisition parameters}
- 6/547 . . {involving tracking of position of the device or parts of the device}
- 6/548 . . {Remote control of the apparatus or devices}
- 6/56 . {Details of data transmission or power supply, e.g. use of slip rings}
- 6/563 . . {involving image data transmission via a network}
- 6/566 . . {involving communication between diagnostic systems}
- 6/58 . {Testing, adjusting or calibrating apparatus or devices for radiation diagnosis}
- 6/581 . . {Remote testing of the apparatus or devices}
- 6/582 . . {Calibration}
- 6/583 . . . {using calibration phantoms}
- 6/584 {determining position of components of the apparatus or device using images of the phantom}
- 6/585 . . . {Calibration of detector units}
- 6/586 . . {Detection of faults or malfunction of the device}
- 6/587 . . {Alignment of source unit to detector unit}
- 6/588 . . {Setting distance between source unit and detector unit}
- 6/589 . . {Setting distance between source unit and patient}
- 7/00 Instruments for auscultation**
- 7/001 . {Detecting cranial noise, e.g. caused by aneurism}
- 7/003 . {Detecting lung or respiration noise}
- 7/005 . {Detecting noise caused by implants, e.g. cardiac valves}
- 7/006 . {Detecting skeletal, cartilage or muscle noise ([A61B 7/003](#) and [A61B 7/008](#) take precedence)}
- 7/008 . {Detecting noise of gastric tract, e.g. caused by voiding}
- 7/02 . Stethoscopes {([acoustic details thereof G10K 11/00](#))}
- 7/023 . . {for introduction into the body, e.g. into the oesophagus ([oesophageal ECG probes A61B 5/285](#))}
- 7/026 . . {comprising more than one sound collector}
- 7/04 . . Electric stethoscopes ([microphones, acoustic transducers therefor H04R](#))
- 7/045 . . . {Detection of Korotkoff sounds ([A61B 5/0225](#) takes precedence; [measuring blood pressure A61B 5/021](#))}
- 8/00 Diagnosis using ultrasonic, sonic or infrasonic waves (imaging of objects using sonar [G01S 15/00](#))**
- 8/02 . Measuring pulse or heart rate
- 8/04 . Measuring blood pressure
- 8/06 . Measuring blood flow ([measuring volume flow in general G01F](#), e.g. [G01F 1/66](#), [G01F 1/72](#); [measuring speed of fluids in general G01P 5/00](#))
- 8/065 . . {to determine blood output from the heart ([in general A61B 5/029](#))}
- 8/08 . Detecting organic movements or changes, e.g. tumours, cysts, swellings ([A61B 8/02](#) - [A61B 8/06](#) take precedence)
- 8/0808 . . {for diagnosis of the brain}
- 8/0816 . . . {using echo-encephalography}
- 8/0825 . . {for diagnosis of the breast, e.g. mammography}
- 8/0833 . . {involving detecting or locating foreign bodies or organic structures}
- 8/0841 . . . {for locating instruments}
- 8/085 . . . {for locating body or organic structures, e.g. tumours, calculi, blood vessels, nodules}
- 8/0858 . . {involving measuring tissue layers, e.g. skin, interfaces}
- 8/0866 . . {involving foetal diagnosis; pre-natal or peri-natal diagnosis of the baby}
- 8/0875 . . {for diagnosis of bone ([A61B 5/4504](#) takes precedence)}
- 8/0883 . . {for diagnosis of the heart}
- 8/0891 . . {for diagnosis of blood vessels}
- 8/10 . Eye inspection
- 8/12 . in body cavities or body tracts, e.g. by using catheters ([catheters per se A61M 25/00](#))
- 8/13 . Tomography ([A61B 8/10](#), [A61B 8/12](#) take precedence; [tomography for radiation diagnosis A61B 6/02](#))
- 8/14 . . Echo-tomography
- 8/145 . . . {characterised by scanning multiple planes}

- 8/15 . . Transmission-tomography
- 8/40 . {Positioning of patients, e.g. means for holding or immobilising parts of the patient's body}
- 8/403 . . {using compression means}
- 8/406 . . {using means for diagnosing suspended breasts}
- 8/42 . {Details of probe positioning or probe attachment to the patient}
- 8/4209 . . {by using holders, e.g. positioning frames}
- 8/4218 . . . {characterised by articulated arms}
- 8/4227 . . . {characterised by straps, belts, cuffs or braces}
- 8/4236 . . . {characterised by adhesive patches}
- 8/4245 . . {involving determining the position of the probe, e.g. with respect to an external reference frame or to the patient}
- 8/4254 . . . {using sensors mounted on the probe}
- 8/4263 . . . {using sensors not mounted on the probe, e.g. mounted on an external reference frame}
- 8/4272 . . {involving the acoustic interface between the transducer and the tissue}
- 8/4281 . . . {characterised by sound-transmitting media or devices for coupling the transducer to the tissue}
- 8/429 . . . {characterised by determining or monitoring the contact between the transducer and the tissue}
- 8/44 . {Constructional features of the ultrasonic, sonic or infrasonic diagnostic device}
- 8/4405 . . {Device being mounted on a trolley}
- 8/4411 . . {Device being modular}
- 8/4416 . . {related to combined acquisition of different diagnostic modalities, e.g. combination of ultrasound and X-ray acquisitions}
- 8/4422 . . {related to hygiene or sterilisation}
- 8/4427 . . {Device being portable or laptop-like}
- 8/4433 . . {involving a docking unit}
- 8/4438 . . {Means for identifying the diagnostic device, e.g. barcodes}
- 8/4444 . . {related to the probe}
- 8/445 . . . {Details of catheter construction}
- 8/4455 . . . {Features of the external shape of the probe, e.g. ergonomic aspects}
- 8/4461 . . . {Features of the scanning mechanism, e.g. for moving the transducer within the housing of the probe}
- 8/4466 {involving deflection of the probe}
- 8/4472 . . . {Wireless probes}
- 8/4477 . . {using several separate ultrasound transducers or probes}
- 8/4483 . . {characterised by features of the ultrasound transducer}
- 8/4488 . . . {the transducer being a phased array}
- 8/4494 . . . {characterised by the arrangement of the transducer elements (devices for short-range imaging using particular transducer elements arrangements under G01S 15/8909; arrangements of transducers in generation of mechanical vibrations of infrasonic, sonic or ultrasonic frequency B06B 1/0607)}
- 8/46 . {Ultrasonic, sonic or infrasonic diagnostic devices with special arrangements for interfacing with the operator or the patient}
- 8/461 . . {Displaying means of special interest}
- 8/462 . . . {characterised by constructional features of the display}
- 8/463 . . . {characterised by displaying multiple images or images and diagnostic data on one display (composite display in devices for short-range imaging with acoustic waves G01S 7/52074)}
- 8/464 . . . {involving a plurality of displays}
- 8/465 . . . {adapted to display user selection data, e.g. icons or menus}
- 8/466 . . . {adapted to display 3D data (3D imaging and stereoscopic displays in devices for short-range imaging with acoustic waves G01S 15/8993 and G01S 7/52068, respectively; 3D image rendering G06T 15/00; manipulating 3D models for computer graphics G06T 19/00)}
- 8/467 . . {characterised by special input means}
- 8/468 . . . {allowing annotation or message recording}
- 8/469 . . . {for selection of a region of interest}
- 8/48 . {Diagnostic techniques (A61B 8/13 takes precedence)}
- 8/481 . . {involving the use of contrast agent, e.g. microbubbles introduced into the bloodstream (analysis of echo signal exploiting properties of a contrast enhancer in devices for short-range imaging with acoustic waves G01S 7/52039)}
- 8/483 . . {involving the acquisition of a 3D volume of data}
- 8/485 . . {involving measuring strain or elastic properties}
- 8/486 . . {involving arbitrary m-mode}
- 8/488 . . {involving Doppler signals}
- 8/52 . {Devices using data or image processing specially adapted for diagnosis using ultrasonic, sonic or infrasonic waves (image processing per se G06T)}
- 8/5207 . . {involving processing of raw data to produce diagnostic data, e.g. for generating an image (reconstruction G06T 11/00)}
- 8/5215 . . {involving processing of medical diagnostic data}
- 8/5223 . . . {for extracting a diagnostic or physiological parameter from medical diagnostic data (for algorithms to analyse biomedical images G06T 7/0012)}
- 8/523 . . . {for generating planar views from image data in a user selectable plane not corresponding to the acquisition plane}
- 8/5238 . . . {for combining image data of patient, e.g. merging several images from different acquisition modes into one image (for image registration algorithms G06T 7/30)}
- 8/5246 {combining images from the same or different imaging techniques, e.g. color Doppler and B-mode}
- 8/5253 {combining overlapping images, e.g. spatial compounding}
- 8/5261 {combining images from different diagnostic modalities, e.g. ultrasound and X-ray}
- 8/5269 . . {involving detection or reduction of artifacts (for image enhancement algorithms G06T 5/00)}
- 8/5276 . . . {due to motion}
- 8/5284 . . {involving retrospective matching to a physiological signal}
- 8/5292 . . {using additional data, e.g. patient information, image labeling, acquisition parameters}
- 8/54 . {Control of the diagnostic device}
- 8/543 . . {involving acquisition triggered by a physiological signal}

8/546	. . {involving monitoring or regulation of device temperature}	10/007	. . {for taking urine samples (measuring urological functions A61B 5/20 ; genital receptacles A61F 5/451 ; urinals for bed-ridden persons A61G 9/006)}
8/56	. {Details of data transmission or power supply}	2010/0074	. . {Vaginal or cervical secretions}
8/565	. . {involving data transmission via a network}	2010/0077	. . {Cerebrospinal fluid}
8/58	. {Testing, adjusting or calibrating the diagnostic device}	2010/008	. . {Interstitial fluid}
8/582	. . {Remote testing of the device}	2010/0083	. {for taking gas samples}
8/585	. . {Automatic set-up of the device}	2010/0087	. . {Breath samples}
8/587	. . {Calibration phantoms (models for medical purposes G09B 23/28)}	2010/009	. {Various features of diagnostic instruments}
9/00	Instruments for examination by percussion; Pleximeters	2010/0093	. . {slide rules}
9/005	. {Electric apparatus for detecting reflex action, e.g. monitoring depth of anaesthesia (detection of movements A61B 5/11)}	10/0096	. {Casings for storing test samples (A61B 10/0038 and A61B 10/0045 take precedence; preservation of living parts of the human or animal body A01N 1/02 ; containers for retaining a material to be analysed B01L 3/50 ; containers for enzymology or microbiology C12M 1/16 ; swab-sampler being part of enzymology or microbiology container C12M 1/30)}
10/00	Other methods or instruments for diagnosis, e.g. instruments for taking a cell sample, for biopsy, for vaccination diagnosis (vaccination prophylaxis, vaccination therapy A61B 17/20); Sex determination; Ovulation-period determination (menstruation tables G06C 3/00); Throat striking implements	10/02	. Instruments for taking cell samples or for biopsy { (A61B 10/0038 and A61B 10/0045 take precedence; needle locating or guiding means A61B 17/3403 ; samplers for enzymology or microbiology C12M 1/26 ; sampling or preparing biological specimens G01N 33/48)}
	NOTE	2010/0208	. . {Biopsy devices with actuators, e.g. with triggered spring mechanisms}
	Attention is drawn to group A61F 13/15 which provides for swabs	2010/0216	. . {Sampling brushes}
2010/0003	. {including means for analysis by an unskilled person}	2010/0225	. . {for taking multiple samples}
2010/0006	. . {involving a colour change}	10/0233	. . {Pointed or sharp biopsy instruments}
2010/0009	. {Testing for drug or alcohol abuse}	10/0241	. . . {for prostate}
10/0012	. {Ovulation-period determination (for animals A61D 17/002)}	10/025	. . . {for taking bone, bone marrow or cartilage samples}
2010/0016	. . {based on measurement of electric currents, e.g. conductivity tests}	2010/0258	. . . . {Marrow samples}
2010/0019	. . {based on measurement of temperature}	10/0266	. . . {means for severing sample}
2010/0022	. . {based on measurement of viscosity or visco-elasticity}	10/0275	. . . . {with sample notch, e.g. on the side of inner stylet}
2010/0025	. . {based on analysis of crystallisation structure}	10/0283	. . . {with vacuum aspiration, e.g. caused by retractable plunger or by connected syringe (A61B 10/025 , A61B 10/0266 take precedence)}
2010/0029	. . {based on time measurement}	10/0291	. . {for uterus (A61B 10/0045 takes precedence)}
2010/0032	. . {based on measurement of pH-value}	10/04	. . Endoscopic instruments
10/0035	. {Vaccination diagnosis other than by injuring the skin, e.g. allergy test patches}	2010/045	. . . {Needles (pointed biopsy devices with vacuum aspiration A61B 10/0283)}
10/0038	. {Devices for taking faeces samples; Faecal examination devices (anal receptacles A61F 5/451)}	10/06	. . Biopsy forceps {, e.g. with cup-shaped jaws}
10/0041	. {Detection of breast cancer (mammography by transillumination A61B 5/0091 , by X-rays A61B 6/502 , by ultrasonic means A61B 8/0825)}	13/00	Instruments for depressing the tongue (combined with illuminating and viewing instruments A61B 1/24)
10/0045	. {Devices for taking samples of body liquids (devices for taking blood samples A61B 5/15)}	16/00	Devices specially adapted for vivisection or autopsy (similar devices for medical purposes, see the relevant groups for such devices {; autopsy tables A61G 13/0027)}
10/0048	. . {for taking amniotic fluid samples}		
10/0051	. . {for taking saliva or sputum samples (devices for receiving spittle A61J 9/00)}		
2010/0054	. . {Ear liquid}		
10/0058	. . {for taking sperm samples (artificial insemination A61B 17/43 ; for animals A61D 19/021 ; genital receptacles for the male member A61F 5/453 ; massage of the genitals A61H 19/00)}	Surgery	
2010/0061	. . {Alimentary tract secretions, e.g. biliary, gastric, intestinal, pancreatic secretions}	17/00	Surgical instruments, devices or methods, e.g. tourniquets (A61B 18/00 takes precedence; contraceptive devices, pessaries, or applicators therefor A61F 6/00; eye surgery A61F 9/007; ear surgery A61F 11/00)
10/0064	. . {for taking sweat or sebum samples (measuring sweat production A61B 5/4266)}	2017/00004	. {(bio)absorbable, (bio)resorbable, resorptive (for implantable prostheses A61F 2210/0004)}
2010/0067	. . {Tear or lachrymal fluid}	17/00008	. {Vein tendon strippers (tube strippers A61M 1/83)}

- 2017/00013 . . {Cables with a stripper head}
- 2017/00017 . {Electrical control of surgical instruments}
- 2017/00022 . . {Sensing or detecting at the treatment site}
- 2017/00026 . . . {Conductivity or impedance, e.g. of tissue}
- 2017/0003 {of parts of the instruments}
- 2017/00035 {pH}
- 2017/00039 . . . {Electric or electromagnetic phenomena other than conductivity, e.g. capacity, inductivity, Hall effect}
- 2017/00044 {Sensing electrocardiography, i.e. ECG}
- 2017/00048 {Spectral analysis}
- 2017/00053 {Mapping}
- 2017/00057 . . . {Light}
- 2017/00061 {spectrum}
- 2017/00066 {intensity}
- 2017/0007 {Pyrometers}
- 2017/00075 . . . {Motion}
- 2017/00079 . . . {Radioactivity}
- 2017/00084 . . . {Temperature}
- 2017/00088 {using thermistors}
- 2017/00092 {using thermocouples}
- 2017/00097 {one of the thermometric elements being an electrode or the heating element}
- 2017/00101 {using an array of thermosensors}
- 2017/00106 . . . {ultrasonic}
- 2017/0011 {piezo-electric}
- 2017/00115 . . {with audible or visual output (with imaging means [A61B 90/37](#), [A61B 34/20](#))}
- 2017/00119 . . . {alarm; indicating an abnormal situation}
- 2017/00123 {and automatic shutdown}
- 2017/00128 . . . {related to intensity or progress of surgical action}
- 2017/00132 . . {Setting operation time of a device ([A61B 2017/00123](#) takes precedence)}
- 2017/00137 . . {Details of operation mode}
- 2017/00141 . . . {continuous, e.g. wave}
- 2017/00146 {with multiple frequencies}
- 2017/0015 {applied simultaneously}
- 2017/00154 . . . {pulsed}
- 2017/00159 {Pulse shapes}
- 2017/00163 {starting with a negative pulse}
- 2017/00168 {Spike}
- 2017/00172 {Pulse trains, bursts, intermittent continuous operation}
- 2017/00176 {Two pulses, e.g. second pulse having an effect different from the first one}
- 2017/00181 {Means for setting or varying the pulse energy}
- 2017/00185 {Means for setting or varying the pulse height}
- 2017/0019 {Means for setting or varying the pulse width}
- 2017/00194 {Means for setting or varying the repetition rate}
- 2017/00199 . . {with a console, e.g. a control panel with a display}
- 2017/00203 . . {with speech control or speech recognition}
- 2017/00207 . . {with hand gesture control or hand gesture recognition}
- 2017/00212 . . . {using remote controls}
- 2017/00216 . . . {with eye tracking or head position tracking control}
- 2017/00221 . . . {with wireless transmission of data, e.g. by infrared radiation or radiowaves}
- 2017/00225 . . . {Systems for controlling multiple different instruments, e.g. microsurgical systems}
- 2017/0023 . . {disposable}
- 17/00234 . . {for minimally invasive surgery ([A61B 17/0218](#), [A61B 17/0469](#), [A61B 17/12013](#), [A61B 17/1285](#), [A61B 17/29](#), [A61B 17/320016](#) take precedence)}
- 2017/00238 . . {Type of minimally invasive operation ([A61B 2017/00805](#) takes precedence)}
- 2017/00243 . . . {cardiac}
- 2017/00247 {Making holes in the wall of the heart, e.g. laser Myocardial revascularization}
- 2017/00252 {for by-pass connections, i.e. connections from heart chamber to blood vessel or from blood vessel to blood vessel}
- 2017/00256 {Creating an electrical block}
- 2017/00261 . . . {Discectomy}
- 2017/00265 . . . {Hand assisted surgery, i.e. minimally invasive surgery with at least part of an assisting hand inside the body}
- 2017/00269 . . . {endoscopic mucosal resection EMR}
- 2017/00274 . . . {Prostate operation, e.g. prostatectomy, turp, bhp treatment}
- 2017/00278 . . . {Transorgan operations, e.g. transgastric}
- 2017/00283 . . . {with a device releasably connected to an inner wall of the abdomen during surgery, e.g. an illumination source}
- 2017/00287 . . {Bags for minimally invasive surgery}
- 2017/00292 . . {mounted on or guided by flexible, e.g. catheter-like, means}
- 2017/00296 . . . {mounted on an endoscope}
- 2017/003 . . . {Steerable}
- 2017/00305 {Constructional details of the flexible means}
- 2017/00309 {Cut-outs or slits}
- 2017/00314 {Separate linked members}
- 2017/00318 {Steering mechanisms}
- 2017/00323 {Cables or rods}
- 2017/00327 {with actuating members moving in opposite directions}
- 2017/00331 {with preformed bends}
- 2017/00336 . . . {with a protective sleeve, e.g. retractable or slidable}
- 2017/0034 . . . {adapted to be inserted through a working channel of an endoscope}
- 2017/00345 . . {Micromachines, nanomachines, microsystems}
- 2017/00349 . . {Needle-like instruments having hook or barb-like gripping means, e.g. for grasping suture or tissue ([A61B 17/06066](#) takes precedence)}
- 2017/00353 . . {one mechanical instrument performing multiple functions, e.g. cutting and grasping ([channel for multiple instruments A61B 2017/3445](#); [instrument channel A61B 2017/22072](#); [replaceable heads A61B 2017/2931](#); [suction A61M 1/00](#))}
- 2017/00358 . . {Snares for grasping}
- 2017/00362 . . {Packages or dispensers for MIS instruments ([A61B 2017/0479](#) takes precedence)}
- 2017/00367 . {Details of actuation of instruments, e.g. relations between pushing buttons, or the like, and activation of the tool, working tip, or the like}
- 2017/00371 . . {Multiple actuation, e.g. pushing of two buttons, or two working tips becoming operational}

- 2017/00376 . . . {Simultaneous actuation of two tools by simultaneously pushing two buttons}
- 2017/0038 . . . {Simultaneous actuation of two tools by pushing one button or the like}
- 2017/00384 . . . {Actuation of one tool by pushing two buttons simultaneously}
- 2017/00389 . . {Button or wheel for performing multiple functions, e.g. rotation of shaft and end effector}
- 2017/00393 . . . {with means for switching between functions}
- 2017/00398 . . {using powered actuators, e.g. stepper motors, solenoids}
- 2017/00402 . . . {Piezo electric actuators}
- 2017/00407 . . {Ratchet means}
- 2017/00411 . . {actuated by application of energy from an energy source outside the body}
- 2017/00415 . . {having power generation near the working tip of the tool}
- 2017/0042 . . {with special provisions for gripping}
- 2017/00424 . . {ergonomic, e.g. fitting in fist}
- 2017/00429 . . {with a roughened portion}
- 2017/00433 . . . {knurled}
- 2017/00438 . . {connectable to a finger}
- 2017/00442 . . {connectable to wrist or forearm}
- 2017/00446 . . {for use only by lefthanded or only by righthanded persons}
- 2017/00451 . . . {by lefthanded persons}
- 2017/00455 . . {Orientation indicators, e.g. recess on the handle}
- 2017/0046 . . {with a releasable handle; with handle and operating part separable (for prosthetic joint-implanting tools [A61F 2/4603](#))}
- 2017/00464 . . {for use with different instruments (with hole for different instruments [A61B 2017/22072](#))}
- 2017/00469 . . {for insertion of instruments, e.g. guide wire, optical fibre}
- 2017/00473 . . {Distal part, e.g. tip or head ([A61B 2017/00464](#) takes precedence)}
- 2017/00477 . {Coupling ([A61B 2017/0046](#) takes precedence)}
- 2017/00482 . . {with a code}
- 2017/00486 . . {Adaptors for coupling parts with incompatible geometries}
- 17/00491 . {Surgical glue applicators (surgical adhesives [A61L 24/00](#); two-component delivery syringes [A61M 5/19](#))}
- 2017/00495 . . {for two-component glue}
- 2017/005 . . {hardenable using external energy source, e.g. laser, ultrasound}
- 2017/00504 . . . {Tissue welding}
- 2017/00508 . . . {using laser}
- 2017/00513 . . . {Tissue soldering}
- 2017/00517 . . . {using laser}
- 2017/00522 . . {Sprayers}
- 2017/00526 . {Methods of manufacturing}
- 2017/0053 . . {Loading magazines or sutures into applying tools}
- 2017/00535 . {pneumatically or hydraulically operated ([A61B 2017/22051](#), [A61B 2090/401](#) take precedence)}
- 2017/00539 . . {hydraulically}
- 2017/00544 . . {pneumatically}
- 2017/00548 . . . {Gas cartridges therefor}
- 2017/00553 . . {using a turbine}
- 2017/00557 . . {inflatable ([A61B 2017/22051](#) takes precedence)}
- 2017/00561 . . {creating a vacuum}
- 2017/00566 . . . {fixation of form upon application of vacuum}
- 17/0057 . . {Implements for plugging an opening in the wall of a hollow or tubular organ, e.g. for sealing a vessel puncture or closing a cardiac septal defect (sutures [A61B 17/04](#); closing rectum or urethra near body surface [A61F 2/0009](#))}
- 2017/00575 . . {for closure at remote site, e.g. closing atrial septum defects}
- 2017/00579 . . . {Barbed implements}
- 2017/00584 . . . {Clips}
- 2017/00588 . . . {Rigid or stiff implements, e.g. made of several rigid parts linked by hinges}
- 2017/00592 . . . {Elastic or resilient implements}
- 2017/00597 . . . {Implements comprising a membrane}
- 2017/00601 . . . {Implements entirely comprised between the two sides of the opening}
- 2017/00606 . . . {Implements H-shaped in cross-section, i.e. with occluders on both sides of the opening}
- 2017/0061 . . . {Implements located only on one side of the opening}
- 2017/00615 . . . {Implements with an occluder on one side of the opening and holding means therefor on the other}
- 2017/00619 . . . {Locking means for locking the implement in expanded state}
- 2017/00623 . . . {Introducing or retrieving devices therefor}
- 2017/00628 . . . {T-shaped occluders}
- 2017/00632 . . . {Occluding a cavity, i.e. closing a blind opening}
- 2017/00637 . . {for sealing trocar wounds through abdominal wall}
- 2017/00641 . . {for closing fistulae, e.g. anorectal fistulae}
- 2017/00646 . . {Type of implements}
- 2017/0065 . . . {the implement being an adhesive}
- 2017/00654 . . . {entirely comprised between the two sides of the opening}
- 2017/00659 . . . {located only on one side of the opening}
- 2017/00663 . . . {the implement being a suture}
- 2017/00668 . . . {the implement being a tack or a staple}
- 2017/00672 . . {Locating means therefor, e.g. bleed back lumen}
- 2017/00676 . . {promotion of self-sealing of the puncture}
- 2017/00681 . {Aspects not otherwise provided for}
- 2017/00685 . . {Archimedes screw}
- 2017/0069 . . {with universal joint, cardan joint}
- 2017/00694 . . {with means correcting for movement of or for synchronisation with the body}
- 2017/00699 . . . {correcting for movement caused by respiration, e.g. by triggering}
- 2017/00703 . . . {correcting for movement of heart, e.g. ECG-triggered}
- 2017/00707 . . {Dummies, phantoms; Devices simulating patient or parts of patient}
- 2017/00712 . . . {simulating mathematical properties, e.g. for testing of positioning in the isocentre or focus}
- 2017/00716 . . . {simulating physical properties}
- 2017/00721 {using artificial kidney stones for testing purposes}
- 2017/00725 . . {Calibration or performance testing}
- 2017/0073 . . {with means for minimising or preventing pain during treatment}
- 2017/00734 . . {battery operated}
- 2017/00738 . . {part of the tool being offset with respect to a main axis, e.g. for better view for the surgeon}

- 2017/00743 . . {Type of operation; Specification of treatment sites ([A61B 2017/00238](#) takes precedence)}
- 2017/00747 . . {Dermatology}
- 2017/00752 . . . {Hair removal or transplantation}
- 2017/00756 . . . {Port wine stains}
- 2017/00761 . . . {Removing layer of skin tissue, e.g. wrinkles, scars or cancerous tissue}
- 2017/00765 . . . {Decreasing the barrier function of skin tissue by radiated energy, e.g. using ultrasound, using laser for skin perforation}
- 2017/00769 . . . {Tattoo removal}
- 2017/00774 . . . {Wart}
- 2017/00778 . . {Operations on blood vessels ([A61B 2017/22097](#), [A61B 2017/320741](#) take precedence)}
- 2017/00783 . . . {Valvuloplasty}
- 2017/00787 . . {Surgery of the ear}
- 2017/00792 . . {Plastic surgery}
- 2017/00796 . . {Breast surgery}
- 2017/008 . . . {Removal of tumors}
- 2017/00805 . . {Treatment of female stress urinary incontinence}
- 2017/00809 . . {Lung operations}
- 2017/00814 . . {Surgery of the tongue, e.g. glossoplasty}
- 2017/00818 . . {Treatment of the gastro-intestinal system}
- 2017/00823 . . . {Appendectomy}
- 2017/00827 . . . {Treatment of gastro-esophageal reflux}
- 2017/00831 . {Material properties}
- 2017/00836 . . {corrosion-resistant ([A61B 2017/00853](#) takes precedence; preventing galvanic or electrolytic corrosion in prostheses [A61F 2210/0009](#))}
- 2017/0084 . . {low friction ([A61B 2017/00853](#) takes precedence)}
- 2017/00845 . . . {of moving parts with respect to each other}
- 2017/00849 . . . {with respect to tissue, e.g. hollow organs}
- 2017/00853 . . {low friction, hydrophobic and corrosion-resistant fluorocarbon resin coating (ptf, ptf, polytetrafluoroethylene)}
- 2017/00858 . . {high friction, non-slip ([on handles](#) [A61B 2017/00429](#))}
- 2017/00862 . . {elastic or resilient ([for sutures](#) [A61B 2017/0618](#))}
- 2017/00867 . . {shape memory effect ([for prostheses](#) [A61F 2210/0014](#))}
- 2017/00871 . . . {polymeric}
- 2017/00876 . . {magnetic}
- 2017/0088 . . {ceramic}
- 2017/00884 . . {enhancing wound closure}
- 2017/00889 . . {antimicrobial, disinfectant}
- 2017/00893 . . {pharmaceutically effective}
- 2017/00898 . . {expandable upon contact with fluid}
- 2017/00902 . . {transparent or translucent}
- 2017/00907 . . . {for light}
- 2017/00911 . . . {for fields applied by a magnetic resonance imaging system}
- 2017/00915 . . . {for radioactive radiation}
- 2017/0092 {for X-rays}
- 2017/00924 . . . {for ultrasonic waves}
- 2017/00929 . . {isolating electrical current}
- 2017/00933 . . {bone or bone-like}
- 2017/00938 . . {hydrophobic}
- 2017/00942 . . {hydrophilic}
- 2017/00946 . . {malleable}
- 2017/00951 . . {adhesive}
- 2017/00955 . . {thermoplastic}
- 2017/0096 . . {self cleaning, e.g. having lotus effect}
- 2017/00964 . . {composite}
- 2017/00969 . {used for transplantation}
- 2017/00973 . {pedal-operated}
- 2017/00977 . . {the depression depth determining the power rate}
- 2017/00982 . {General structural features}
- 2017/00986 . . {Malecots, e.g. slotted tubes, of which the distal end is pulled to deflect side struts}
- 2017/00991 . . {Telescopic means}
- 2017/00995 . . {having a thin film}
- 17/02 . . for holding wounds open; Tractors ([{specula](#) [A61B 1/32](#)); [drainage appliances for wounds](#) [A61M 27/00](#))
- 17/0206 . . {with antagonistic arms as supports for retractor elements}
- 2017/0212 . . {Cushions or pads, without holding arms, as tissue retainers, e.g. for retracting viscera}
- 17/0218 . . {for minimally invasive surgery ([A61B 17/0281](#), [A61B 17/0469](#), [A61B 17/12013](#), [A61B 17/1285](#), [A61B 17/29](#), [A61B 17/320016](#) take precedence)}
- 2017/0225 . . . {flexible, e.g. fabrics, meshes, or membranes}
- 17/0231 . . {for eye surgery}
- 2017/0237 . . {for heart surgery ([endoscopic heart surgery](#) [A61B 2017/00243](#); [endoscopic access devices](#), i.e. [trocars](#), [A61B 17/34](#))}
- 2017/0243 . . . {for immobilizing local areas of the heart, e.g. while it beats ([trocars attached to inner organs or inner body tissue](#) [A61B 2017/3488](#))}
- 17/025 . . {Joint distractors}
- 2017/0256 . . . {for the spine}
- 2017/0262 {with a provision for protecting nerves}
- 2017/0268 . . . {for the knee}
- 2017/0275 . . . {for the hip}
- 17/0281 . . {Abdominal wall lifters}
- 2017/0287 . . {with elastic retracting members connectable to a frame, e.g. hooked elastic wires}
- 17/0293 . . {with ring member to support retractor elements}
- 17/04 . . for suturing wounds; Holders or packages for needles or suture materials ([suture materials](#) [A61L 17/00](#))
- 17/0401 . . {Suture anchors, buttons or pledgets, i.e. means for attaching sutures to bone, cartilage or soft tissue; Instruments for applying or removing suture anchors ([A61B 17/0642](#) takes precedence; [fixation devices for tendons or ligaments](#) [A61F 2/0811](#))}
- 2017/0403 . . . {Dowels ([other bone dowels](#) [A61B 17/68](#); [dowels for connecting prosthetic parts](#) [A61F 2002/30433](#))}
- 2017/0404 . . . {Buttons}
- 2017/0406 . . . {Pledgets}
- 2017/0408 . . . {Rivets ([other bone rivets](#) [A61B 17/68](#); [rivets for connecting prosthetic parts](#) [A61F 2002/30433](#), [A61F 2220/0041](#))}
- 2017/0409 . . . {Instruments for applying suture anchors ([for applying suture clamps, clips or locks](#) [A61B 2017/0488](#))}
- 2017/0411 . . . {Instruments for removing suture anchors ([for removing suture clamps, clips or locks](#) [A61B 2017/049](#))}
- 2017/0412 . . . {having anchoring barbs or pins extending outwardly from suture anchor body}

- 2017/0414 . . . {having a suture-receiving opening, e.g. lateral opening ([lateral eyelet for attaching suture to needle A61B 2017/06019](#))}
- 2017/0416 . . . {Packages or dispensers for suture anchors or for anchor applicators}
- 2017/0417 . . . {T-fasteners}
- 2017/0419 . . . {H-fasteners}
- 2017/042 . . . {plastically deformed during insertion}
- 2017/0422 {by insertion of a separate member into the body of the anchor}
- 2017/0424 {the separate member staying in the anchor after placement}
- 2017/0425 {the anchor or the separate member comprising threads, e.g. a set screw in the anchor}
- 2017/0427 . . . {having anchoring barbs or pins extending outwardly from the anchor body}
- 2017/0429 {the barbs being expanded by a mechanical mechanism which also locks them in the expanded state}
- 2017/043 {by insertion of a separate spreading member into the anchor}
- 2017/0432 {the separate member staying in the anchor after placement}
- 2017/0433 {the anchor or the separate member comprising threads, e.g. a set screw or a worm gear for moving spreading members}
- 2017/0435 {the barbs being separate elements mechanically linked to the anchor, e.g. by pivots}
- 2017/0437 {the barbs being resilient or spring-like}
- 2017/0438 . . . {slotted, i.e. having a longitudinal slot for enhancing their elasticity}
- 2017/044 . . . {with a threaded shaft, e.g. screws}
- 2017/0441 {the shaft being a rigid coil or spiral}
- 2017/0443 {the shaft being resilient and having a coiled or helical shape in the released state}
- 2017/0445 . . . {cannulated, e.g. with a longitudinal through-hole for passage of an instrument}
- 2017/0446 . . . {Means for attaching and blocking the suture in the suture anchor}
- 2017/0448 {Additional elements on or within the anchor}
- 2017/045 {snug fit within the anchor}
- 2017/0451 {Cams or wedges holding the suture by friction}
- 2017/0453 {threaded elements, e.g. set screws}
- 2017/0454 {the anchor being crimped or clamped on the suture}
- 2017/0456 {Surface features on the anchor, e.g. ribs increasing friction between the suture and the anchor}
- 2017/0458 {Longitudinal through hole, e.g. suture blocked by a distal suture knot}
- 2017/0459 {Multiple holes in the anchor through which the suture extends and locking the suture when tension is applied}
- 2017/0461 {with features cooperating with special features on the suture, e.g. protrusions on the suture}
- 2017/0462 {One way system, i.e. also tensioning the suture}
- 2017/0464 . . . {for soft tissue}
- 17/0466 . . . {Suture bridges}
- 17/0467 . . . {Instruments for cutting sutures ([surgical cutting instruments A61B 17/32](#))}
- 17/0469 . . . {Suturing instruments for use in minimally invasive surgery, e.g. endoscopic surgery}
- 2017/047 {having at least one proximally pointing needle located at the distal end of the instrument, e.g. for suturing trocar puncture wounds starting from inside the body ([J-shaped suture needles A61B 2017/0608](#))}
- 2017/0472 {Multiple-needled, e.g. double-needled, instruments}
- 2017/0474 {Knot pushers}
- 2017/0475 {using sutures having a slip knot}
- 2017/0477 {with pre-tied sutures}
- 2017/0479 {Packages or dispensers for MIS suturing instruments}
- 2017/048 {for reducing heart wall tension, e.g. sutures with a pad on each extremity}
- 17/0482 . . . {Needle or suture guides ([guides for drills, pins or wire A61B 17/17](#); for puncturing needles [A61B 17/3403](#))}
- 17/0483 . . . {Hand-held instruments for holding sutures ([A61B 17/0469](#) takes precedence; other holders for needles or sutures [A61B 17/06061](#); surgical forceps [A61B 17/28](#); surgical pincettes [A61B 17/30](#))}
- 17/0485 . . . {Devices or means, e.g. loops, for capturing the suture thread and threading it through an opening of a suturing instrument or needle eyelet}
- 17/0487 . . . {Suture clamps, clips or locks, e.g. for replacing suture knots; Instruments for applying or removing suture clamps, clips or locks ([suture anchors A61B 17/0401](#); wound clamps or clips [A61B 17/08](#); ligaturing clamps or clips [A61B 17/122](#))}
- 2017/0488 {Instruments for applying suture clamps, clips or locks ([for applying suture anchors A61B 2017/0409](#); for applying wound clamps [A61B 17/10](#); for applying ligaturing clamps or clips [A61B 17/128](#))}
- 2017/049 {Instruments for removing suture clamps, clips or locks ([for removing suture anchors A61B 2017/0411](#); for removing wound clamps [A61B 17/10](#); for removing ligaturing clamps or clips [A61B 17/128](#))}
- 17/0491 . . . {Sewing machines for surgery}
- 17/0493 . . . {Protective devices for suturing, i.e. for protecting the patient's organs or the operator}
- 2017/0495 . . . {Reinforcements for suture lines}
- 2017/0496 . . . {for tensioning sutures}
- 2017/0498 . . . {for advancing a suture filament along a helical path through tissue}
- 17/06 . . . Needles {; Sutures; Needle-suture combinations}; Holders or packages for needles or suture materials ([puncturing needles A61B 17/34](#); [hypodermic needles A61M 5/32](#) {; sewing needles [D05B 85/00](#))}
- 17/06004 {Means for attaching suture to needle ([tipping A61B 17/06195](#); [connecting wire to other metallic objects B21F 15/00](#))}
- 2017/06009 {having additional means for releasably clamping the suture to the needle, e.g. actuating rod slideable within the needle}
- 2017/06014 {spring-loaded}

- 2017/06019 {by means of a suture-receiving lateral eyelet machined in the needle ([lateral opening for attaching suture to suture anchor A61B 2017/0414](#))}
- 2017/06023 {Multiple eyelets}
- 2017/06028 {by means of a cylindrical longitudinal blind bore machined at the suture-receiving end of the needle, e.g. opposite to needle tip}
- 2017/06033 {using adhesives ([glue applicators A61B 17/00491](#); for connecting prosthetic parts [A61F 2002/30448](#))}
- 2017/06038 {soldered or brazed or welded (for connecting prosthetic parts [A61F 2002/30451](#), [A61F 2220/0058](#))}
- 2017/06042 {located close to needle tip}
- 2017/06047 {located at the middle of the needle}
- 2017/06052 {Needle-suture combinations in which a suture is extending inside a hollow tubular needle, e.g. over the entire length of the needle ([hollow suture needles A61B 2017/061](#))}
- 2017/06057 {Double-armed sutures, i.e. sutures having a needle attached to each end}
- 17/06061 {Holders for needles or sutures, e.g. racks, stands ([hand-held holding instruments A61B 17/0483](#); holders for articles [A61B 50/20](#); racks for syringes or for hypodermic or infusion needles [A61M 5/008](#))}
- 17/06066 {Needles, e.g. needle tip configurations ([making needles B21G 1/00](#))}
- 2017/06071 {with an abrupt angle formed between two adjacent sections}
- 2017/06076 {helically or spirally coiled ([for sutures A61B 2017/06171](#))}
- 2017/0608 {J-shaped}
- 2017/06085 {having a blunt tip ([blunt dissectors A61B 2017/320044](#))}
- 2017/0609 {having sharp tips at both ends, e.g. shuttle needle alternately retained and released by first and second facing jaws of a suturing instrument ([MIS suturing instruments A61B 17/0469](#); jaws of MIS forceps [A61B 2017/2926](#))}
- 2017/06095 {pliable}
- 2017/061 {hollow or tubular ([suture extending inside a hollow needle A61B 2017/06052](#); [hollow sutures A61B 2017/06185](#))}
- 2017/06104 {interconnected at their distal ends, e.g. two hollow needles forming a loop for passing a suture}
- 17/06109 {Big needles, either gripped by hand or connectable to a handle}
- 17/06114 {Packages or dispensers for needles or sutures ([packages for sharps A61B 50/3001](#); for dental floss [A61C 15/043](#); packages for needles in general [B65D 85/24](#))}
- 17/06119 {of cylindrical shape}
- 17/06123 {Flat cylinders, e.g. including an inner reel}
- 17/06128 {Elongate cylinders, i.e. tubes}
- 17/06133 {of parallelepipedal shape, e.g. made of rectangular or slightly oval panels}
- 17/06138 {including a retainer comprising three or more foldable panels}
- 2017/06142 {having needle- or suture- retaining members, e.g. holding tabs or needle parks}
- 2017/06147 {Foam blocks, e.g. slitted}
- 2017/06152 {containing a suture wound in a figure-8 configuration}
- 2017/06157 {containing a suture wound in a sinusoidal or zigzag configuration}
- 17/06161 {Devices for removing or collecting used needles or sutures ([A61B 17/0467](#) takes precedence; for sharps [A61B 50/362](#))}
- 17/06166 {Sutures ([suture materials A61L 17/00](#); manufacture of artificial threads [D01D](#); treatment of threads [D06M](#))}
- 2017/06171 {helically or spirally coiled ([for needles A61B 2017/06076](#))}
- 2017/06176 {with protrusions, e.g. barbs}
- 2017/0618 {elastic, e.g. stretchable ([for prostheses A61F 2210/0057](#))}
- 2017/06185 {hollow or tubular ([hollow suture needles A61B 2017/061](#))}
- 2017/0619 {thermoplastic, e.g. for bonding, welding, fusing or cutting the suture by melting it ([suture cutters A61B 17/0467](#); ultrasonic cutters [A61B 17/320068](#); electrically heated instruments [A61B 18/08](#))}
- 17/06195 {Apparatus or means for preparing the cut end of the suture thread to be attached to the needle, e.g. tipping to prevent brooming ([A61B 17/06004](#) takes precedence)}
- 17/062 Needle manipulators
- 17/0625 {the needle being specially adapted to interact with the manipulator, e.g. being ridged to snap fit in a hole of the manipulator ([A61B 17/06109](#) takes precedence)}
- 17/064 Surgical staples, i.e. penetrating the tissue}
- 2017/0641 {having at least three legs as part of one single body}
- 17/0642 {for bones, e.g. for osteosynthesis or connecting tendon to bone}
- 17/0643 {with separate closing member, e.g. for interlocking with staple}
- 17/0644 {penetrating the tissue, deformable to closed position}
- 2017/0645 {being elastically deformed for insertion}
- 2017/0646 {for insertion into cartilage, e.g. meniscus}
- 2017/0647 {having one single leg, e.g. tacks}
- 2017/0648 {threaded, e.g. tacks with a screw thread}
- 2017/0649 {Coils or spirals}
- 17/068 Surgical staplers {, e.g. containing multiple staples or clamps} ([staplers containing only one staple A61B 17/10](#); [magazines or containers for staples A61B 17/105](#); [for performing anastomosis A61B 17/115](#); [staplers in general B25C 5/00](#))}
- 17/0682 {for applying U-shaped staples or clamps, e.g. without a forming anvil}
- 17/0684 {having a forming anvil staying above the tissue during stapling}
- 17/0686 {having a forming anvil staying below the tissue during stapling}
- 2017/0688 {Packages or dispensers for surgical staplers}
- 17/072 for applying a row of staples in a single action {, e.g. the staples being applied simultaneously}
- 17/07207 {the staples being applied sequentially}
- 2017/07214 {Stapler heads}

- 2017/07221 {curved}
- 2017/07228 {Arrangement of the staples}
- 2017/07235 {containing different staples, e.g. staples of different shapes, sizes or materials}
- 2017/07242 {achieving different staple heights during the same shot, e.g. using an anvil anvil having different heights or staples of different sizes}
- 2017/0725 {with settable gap between anvil and cartridge, e.g. for different staple heights at different shots}
- 2017/07257 {characterised by its anvil}
- 2017/07264 {characterised by its staple forming cavities, e.g. geometry or material}
- 2017/07271 {characterised by its cartridge}
- 2017/07278 {characterised by its sled or its staple holder}
- 2017/07285 {characterised by its cutter}
- 17/07292 . . . {Reinforcements for staple line, e.g. pledgets}
- 17/076 . for removing surgical staples {or wound clamps}
- 17/08 . Wound clamps {or clips, i.e. not or only partly penetrating the tissue ([suture bridges A61B 17/0466](#)); Devices for bringing together the edges of a wound}
- 2017/081 . . {Tissue approximator ([A61B 2017/1103](#), [A61B 17/8866](#) take precedence)}
- 17/083 . . {Clips, e.g. resilient}
- 17/085 . . {with adhesive layer}
- 2017/086 . . . {having flexible threads, filaments, laces or wires, e.g. parallel threads, extending laterally from a strip, e.g. for tying to opposing threads extending from a similar strip}
- 2017/088 . . {Sliding fasteners}
- 17/10 . for applying or removing wound clamps, {e.g. containing only one clamp or staple ([A61B 17/076](#) takes precedence; containing multiple wound clamps [A61B 17/068](#))}; Wound clamp magazines (containers, packaging elements or packages specially adapted for particular articles or with special means for dispensing contents [B65D 83/00](#), [B65D 85/00](#))
- 17/105 . . {Wound clamp magazines (for packaging sharps [A61B 50/3001](#))}
- 17/11 . for performing anastomosis; Buttons for anastomosis
- 2017/1103 . . {Approximator}
- 2017/1107 . . {for blood vessels}
- 2017/111 . . {with means for removing a constriction after performing anastomosis}
- 17/1114 . . {of the digestive tract, e.g. bowels or oesophagus}
- 2017/1117 . . . {adapted for discharge after necrotisation, e.g. by evacuation, expulsion or excretion}
- 2017/1121 . . {adapted for performing tissue or graft eversion}
- 2017/1125 . . {Forceps, specially adapted for performing or assisting anastomosis}
- 17/1128 . . {of nerves}
- 2017/1132 . . {End-to-end connections}
- 2017/1135 . . {End-to-side connections, e.g. T- or Y-connections ([Y-shaped blood vessel prostheses A61F 2002/065](#))}
- 2017/1139 . . {Side-to-side connections, e.g. shunt or X-connections}
- 2017/1142 . . {Purse-string sutures}
- 17/1146 . . {of tendons}
- 17/115 . . Staplers {for performing anastomosis in a single operation}
- 17/1152 . . . {applying the staples on the outside of the lumen}
- 17/1155 . . . {Circular staplers comprising a plurality of staples}
- 2017/1157 . . . {applying the staples radially}
- 17/12 . for ligaturing or otherwise compressing tubular parts of the body, e.g. blood vessels, umbilical cord (specially adapted for vas deferens or fallopian tubes [A61F 6/20](#); materials for ligaturing blood vessels [A61L 17/00](#))
- 2017/12004 . . {for haemostasis, for prevention of bleeding}
- 17/12009 . . {Implements for ligaturing other than by clamps or clips, e.g. using a loop with a slip knot}
- 17/12013 . . . {for use in minimally invasive surgery, e.g. endoscopic surgery}
- 2017/12018 . . . {Elastic band ligators}
- 17/12022 . . {Occluding by internal devices, e.g. balloons or releasable wires ([plugging an opening in the wall of an organ A61B 17/0057](#); occluders for the cervical canal [A61F 6/146](#); vas deferens occluders [A61F 6/20](#))}
- 17/12027 . . . {Type of occlusion ([A61B 17/12113](#) takes precedence)}
- 17/12031 {complete occlusion}
- 17/12036 {partial occlusion}
- 17/1204 {temporary occlusion}
- 17/12045 {double occlusion, e.g. during anastomosis}
- 2017/1205 . . . {Introduction devices}
- 2017/12054 {Details concerning the detachment of the occluding device from the introduction device}
- 2017/12059 {Joint of soluble material}
- 2017/12063 {electrolytically detachable}
- 2017/12068 {detachable by heat}
- 2017/12072 {the heat created by laser light}
- 2017/12077 {Joint changing shape upon application of heat, e.g. bi-metal or reversible thermal memory}
- 2017/12081 {detachable by inflation}
- 2017/12086 {magnetically detachable}
- 2017/1209 {detachable by electrical current or potential, e.g. electroactive polymer}
- 2017/12095 {Threaded connection}
- 17/12099 . . . {characterised by the location of the occluder}
- 17/12104 {in an air passage}
- 17/12109 {in a blood vessel}
- 17/12113 {within an aneurysm}
- 17/12118 {for positioning in conjunction with a stent}
- 17/12122 {within the heart ([for closing a cardiac septal defect A61B 17/0057](#))}
- 2017/12127 . . . {Double occlusion, e.g. for creating blood-free anastomosis site}
- 17/12131 . . . {characterised by the type of occluding device}
- 17/12136 {Balloons}
- 17/1214 {Coils or wires}
- 17/12145 {having a pre-set deployed three-dimensional shape ([methods of manufacturing A61B 2017/00526](#))}

- 17/1215 {comprising additional materials, e.g. thrombogenic, having filaments, having fibers, being coated}
- 17/12154 {having stretch limiting means}
- 17/12159 {Solid plugs; being solid before insertion}
- 17/12163 {having a string of elements connected to each other}
- 17/12168 {having a mesh structure ([A61B 17/1214 takes precedence](#))}
- 17/12172 {having a pre-set deployed three-dimensional shape ([methods of manufacturing A61B 2017/00526](#))}
- 17/12177 {comprising additional materials, e.g. thrombogenic, having filaments, having fibers or being coated}
- 17/12181 {formed by fluidized, gelatinous or cellular remodelable materials, e.g. embolic liquids, foams or extracellular matrices}
- 17/12186 {liquid materials adapted to be injected}
- 17/1219 {expandable in contact with liquids}
- 17/12195 {comprising a curable material}
- 17/122 . . Clamps or clips {, e.g. for the umbilical cord ([for the vas deferens A61F 6/206](#))}
- 17/1222 . . . {Packages or dispensers therefor ([clip magazines incorporated in a clip-applying instrument A61B 17/128; for surgical articles A61B 50/30](#))}
- 2017/1225 . . . {for clipping and cutting in a single operation}
- 17/1227 . . . {Spring clips}
- 17/128 . . for applying or removing clamps or clips
- 17/1285 . . . {for minimally invasive surgery}
- 17/132 . . Tourniquets ([{sphygmometers A61B 5/02}](#))}
- 17/1322 . . . {comprising a flexible encircling member ([A61B 17/135 takes precedence](#))}
- 17/1325 {with means for applying local pressure ([pressure pads A61F 5/30](#))}
- 17/1327 {Tensioning clamps}
- 17/135 . . . inflatable ([for measuring blood pressure A61B 5/022; inflatable pressure pads A61F 5/34](#))}
- 17/1355 {Automated control means therefor}
- 17/14 . . Surgical saws ([{A61B 17/1637 takes precedence; tooth saws A61C 3/12}](#)); Accessories therefor}
- 17/142 . . {with reciprocating saw blades, e.g. with cutting edges at the distal end of the saw blades}
- 17/144 . . . {with cutting edges at the side of the saw blades}
- 17/147 . . {with circularly moving saw blades, i.e. non-reciprocating saw blades}
- 17/149 . . {Chain, wire or band saws}
- 17/15 . . Guides therefor ([{arrangements for guiding straight saw blades in general B23D 51/025}](#))}
- 17/151 . . . {for corrective osteotomy}
- 17/152 {for removing a wedge-shaped piece of bone}
- 17/154 . . . {for preparing bone for knee prosthesis}
- 17/155 {Cutting femur}
- 17/157 {Cutting tibia}
- 17/158 {Cutting patella}
- 17/16 . . {Bone cutting, breaking or removal means other than saws, e.g.} Osteoclasts; Drills or chisels for bones; Trepan ([{arthroscopic bone cutters A61B 17/320016; dental implant drills potentially for other surgical use A61C 8/0089; bone grinders A61F 2/4644, A22C 17/06; A61B 17/1662 takes precedence over all other subgroups except A61B 17/17}](#))}
- 2017/1602 . . {Mills}
- 17/1604 . . {Chisels; Rongeurs; Punches; Stamps}
- 17/1606 . . . {of forceps type, i.e. having two jaw elements moving relative to each other}
- 17/1608 {the two jaw elements being linked to two elongated shaft elements moving longitudinally relative to each other}
- 17/1611 {the two jaw elements being integral with respective elongate shaft elements}
- 17/1613 . . {Component parts}
- 17/1615 . . . {Drill bits, i.e. rotating tools extending from a handpiece to contact the worked material}
- 17/1617 {with mobile or detachable parts}
- 17/162 . . . {Chucks or tool parts which are to be held in a chuck}
- 17/1622 . . . {Drill handpieces ([A61B 17/1626, A61B 17/1628 take precedence](#))}
- 17/1624 {Drive mechanisms therefor}
- 17/1626 . . . {Control means; Display units}
- 17/1628 . . . {Motors; Power supplies}
- 17/1631 . . . {Special drive shafts, e.g. flexible shafts ([A61B 17/1642, A61B 17/164 take precedence](#))}
- 17/1633 . . . {Sleeves, i.e. non-rotating parts surrounding the bit shaft, e.g. the sleeve forming a single unit with the bit shaft ([A61B 17/1644 takes precedence](#))}
- 17/1635 . . {for grafts, harvesting or transplants}
- 17/1637 . . {Hollow drills or saws producing a curved cut, e.g. cylindrical ([A61B 10/025, A61B 17/1695 take precedence](#))}
- 17/164 . . {intramedullary}
- 17/1642 . . {for producing a curved bore}
- 17/1644 . . {using fluid other than turbine drive fluid}
- 17/1646 . . . {with sealing means}
- 2017/1648 . . . {as cutting jet}
- 2017/1651 . . . {for cooling}
- 2017/1653 . . . {for lubrication}
- 17/1655 . . {for tapping}
- 17/1657 . . {Bone breaking devices}
- 17/1659 . . {Surgical rasps, files, planes, or scrapers}
- 17/1662 . . {for particular parts of the body}
- 17/1664 . . . {for the hip}
- 17/1666 {for the acetabulum}
- 17/1668 {for the upper femur ([A61B 17/164 takes precedence](#))}
- 17/1671 . . . {for the spine}
- 17/1673 . . . {for the jaw}
- 17/1675 . . . {for the knee}
- 17/1677 {for the patella}
- 17/1679 . . . {for the ear}
- 17/1682 . . . {for the foot or ankle}
- 17/1684 . . . {for the shoulder}
- 17/1686 . . . {for the hand or wrist}
- 17/1688 . . . {for the sinus or nose}

17/1691	. . . {for the sternum}	17/22004	. . {using mechanical vibrations, e.g. ultrasonic shock waves (A61B 17/225 takes precedence)}
17/1693	. . . {for the ribs}	2017/22005	. . . {Effects, e.g. on tissue}
17/1695	. . {Trepan or craniotomes, i.e. specially adapted for drilling thin bones such as the skull}	2017/22007	. . . {Cavitation or pseudocavitation, i.e. creation of gas bubbles generating a secondary shock wave when collapsing}
17/1697	. . {specially adapted for wire insertion}	2017/22008	. . . . {used or promoted}
17/17	. . Guides {or aligning means} for drills {, mills, pins or wires}	2017/22009	. . . . {reduced or prevented}
17/1703	. . . {using imaging means, e.g. by X-rays}	2017/22011	. . . . {Combined types of vibration, e.g. ultrasonic and electrohydraulic}
17/1707	. . . {using electromagnetic effects, e.g. with magnet and external sensors}	17/22012	. . . {in direct contact with, or very close to, the obstruction or concrement (for removing obstructions in blood vessels by laser A61B 18/245)}
17/171	. . . {for external fixation}	2017/22014	. . . . {the ultrasound transducer being outside patient's body; with an ultrasound transmission member; with a wave guide; with a vibrated guide wire (not applied in A61B 17/22012)}
17/1714	. . . {for applying tendons or ligaments (implements for applying tendons or ligaments A61F 2/0805)}	2017/22015	. . . . {with details of the transmission member}
17/1717	. . . {for applying intramedullary nails or pins}	2017/22017	. . . . {the ultrasonic transmitting members being fibres}
17/1721	. . . {for applying pins along or parallel to the axis of the femoral neck}	2017/22018	. . . . {segmented along its length}
17/1725	. . . {for applying transverse screws or pins through intramedullary nails or pins}	17/2202	. . . . {the ultrasound transducer being inside patient's body at the distal end of the catheter}
17/1728	. . . {for holes for bone plates or plate screws}	2017/22021	. . . . {electric leads passing through the catheter}
17/1732	. . . {for bone breaking devices}	17/22022	. . . . {using electric discharge}
17/1735	. . . {for rasps or chisels}	2017/22024	. . . . {with a part reflecting mechanical vibrations, e.g. for focusing}
17/1739	. . . {specially adapted for particular parts of the body}	2017/22025	. . . . {applying a shock wave (A61B 2017/22091 takes precedence)}
17/1742	. . . . {for the hip}	2017/22027	. . . {Features of transducers}
17/1746	. . . . {for the acetabulum}	2017/22028	. . . . {arrays, e.g. phased arrays}
17/175	. . . . {for preparing the femur for hip prosthesis insertion}	17/22029	. . . {Means for measuring shock waves}
17/1753	. . . . {for fixing pins through femoral hip prostheses}	17/22031	. . {Gripping instruments, e.g. forceps, for removing or smashing calculi (A61B 17/221 takes precedence)}
17/1757	. . . . {for the spine}	17/22032	. . . {having inflatable gripping elements (balloon catheters A61M 25/10)}
17/176	. . . . {for the jaw (guiding dental drills A61C 1/082)}	2017/22034	. . . {for gripping the obstruction or the tissue part from inside}
17/1764	. . . . {for the knee}	2017/22035	. . . {for retrieving or repositioning foreign objects}
17/1767	. . . . {for the patella}	2017/22037	. . {Fecal impaction removal}
17/1771	. . . . {for the ear}	2017/22038	. . {with a guide wire}
17/1775	. . . . {for the foot or ankle}	2017/22039	. . . {eccentric}
17/1778	. . . . {for the shoulder}	2017/22041	. . . {outside the catheter}
17/1782	. . . . {for the hand or wrist}	2017/22042	. . . {Details of the tip of the guide wire}
17/1785	. . . . {for the sinus or nose}	2017/22044	. . . . {with a pointed tip}
17/1789	. . . . {for the sternum}	2017/22045	. . . {fixed to the catheter; guiding tip}
17/1792	. . . . {for the ribs}	2017/22047	. . . {Means for immobilising the guide wire in the patient}
17/1796	. . . {for holes for sutures or flexible wires}	2017/22048	. . . . {Balloons}
17/20	. for vaccinating or cleaning the skin previous to the vaccination (diagnosis by vaccination {other than by injuring the skin A61B 10/0035 }; apparatus for injections A61M)	2017/22049	. . . {Means for locking the guide wire in the catheter}
NOTE		2017/22051	. . {with an inflatable part, e.g. balloon, for positioning, blocking, or immobilisation (A61B 2017/22048 , A61B 2017/3486 take precedence)}
Cleaning the skin previous to the vaccination is classified in A61B 90/80		2017/22052	. . . {eccentric}
17/205	. . {Vaccinating by means of needles or other puncturing devices}	2017/22054	. . . {with two balloons}
17/22	. Implements for squeezing-off ulcers or the like on {the inside of} inner organs of the body; Implements for scraping-out cavities of body organs, e.g. bones; Calculus removers; Calculus smashing apparatus; {Apparatus for removing obstructions in blood vessels, not otherwise provided for (dilators A61M 29/00)}	2017/22055	. . . {with three or more balloons}
2017/22001	. . {Angioplasty, e.g. PCTA}		
2017/22002	. . . {preventing restenosis}		

- 2017/22057 . . . {Optical properties}
- 2017/22058 {reflective}
- 2017/22059 {transparent}
- 2017/22061 . . . {for spreading elements apart}
- 2017/22062 . . . {to be filled with liquid}
- 2017/22064 {transparent liquid}
- 2017/22065 . . . {Functions of balloons ([dilating A61M 29/02](#))}
- 2017/22067 {Blocking; Occlusion ([A61B 2017/22054 takes precedence](#))}
- 2017/22068 {Centering}
- 2017/22069 {Immobilising; Stabilising}
- 2017/22071 {Steering}
- 2017/22072 . . {with an instrument channel, e.g. for replacing one instrument by the other ([in cannulas A61B 17/3417](#))}
- 2017/22074 . . . {the instrument being only slidable in a channel, e.g. advancing optical fibre through a channel}
- 2017/22075 {with motorized advancing or retracting means}
- 2017/22077 {with a part piercing the tissue ([A61B 2017/22044 takes precedence](#))}
- 2017/22078 . . . {for rotating the instrument within a channel, e.g. an optical fibre}
- 2017/22079 . . {with suction of debris}
- 2017/22081 . . {Treatment of vulnerable plaque}
- 2017/22082 . . {after introduction of a substance}
- 2017/22084 . . . {stone- or thrombus-dissolving}
- 2017/22085 . . . {light-absorbing ([A61B 2017/22087 takes precedence](#))}
- 2017/22087 . . . {photodynamic}
- 2017/22088 . . . {ultrasound absorbing, drug activated by ultrasound}
- 2017/22089 . . . {Gas-bubbles}
- 2017/22091 . . . {Explosive}
- 2017/22092 . . . {Lubricant}
- 2017/22094 . . {for crossing total occlusions, i.e. piercing}
- 2017/22095 . . . {accessing a blood vessel true lumen from the sub-intimal space}
- 2017/22097 . . {Valve removal in veins}
- 2017/22098 . . {Decalcification of valves}
- 17/221 . . . Gripping devices in the form of loops or baskets {for gripping calculi or similar types of obstructions ([surgical snare instruments A61B 17/32056](#))}
- 2017/2212 . . . {having a closed distal end, e.g. a loop}
- 2017/2215 . . . {having an open distal end}
- 2017/2217 . . . {single wire changing shape to a gripping configuration}
- 17/225 . . . for extracorporeal shock wave lithotripsy [ESWL], e.g. by using ultrasonic waves
- 17/2251 . . . {characterised by coupling elements between the apparatus, e.g. shock wave apparatus or locating means, and the patient, e.g. details of bags, pressure control of bag on patient}
- 2017/2253 {using a coupling gel or liquid}
- 17/2255 . . . {Means for positioning patient, shock wave apparatus or locating means, e.g. mechanical aspects, patient beds, support arms, aiming means ([positioning of patients for radiation diagnosis A61B 6/04](#); [positioning of locating means inside shock wave apparatus A61B 17/2256](#))}
- 17/2256 {with means for locating or checking the concrement, e.g. X-ray apparatus, imaging means ([A61B 17/2255 takes precedence](#))}
- 17/2258 {integrated in a central portion of the shock wave apparatus}
- 17/24 . . . for use in the oral cavity, larynx, bronchial passages or nose ([for medical inspection of cavities or tubes in the body A61B 1/00](#)); Tongue scrapers
- 2017/242 . . . {for bronchial passages}
- 17/244 . . . {for cleaning of the tongue}
- 2017/246 . . . {for cleaning of the nose}
- 2017/248 . . . {Operations for treatment of snoring, e.g. uvulopalatoplasty}
- 17/26 . . . Tonsillotomes, with or without means for stopping bleeding
- 17/28 . . . Surgical forceps ({for holding suture needles or materials [A61B 17/0483](#); for removing or smashing calculi [A61B 17/221](#); surgical scissors [A61B 17/3201](#) ; obstetrical forceps [A61B 17/44](#); for inserting intraocular lenses [A61F 2/1662](#); hand-held gripping tools in general [B25B 7/00](#))}
- 17/2804 . . . {with two or more pivotal connections ([A61B 17/29 takes precedence](#))}
- 2017/2808 . . . {Clamp, e.g. towel clamp}
- 17/2812 . . . {with a single pivotal connection ([A61B 17/29 takes precedence](#))}
- 17/2816 {Pivots}
- 17/282 {Jaws}
- 2017/2825 {Inserts of different material in jaws}
- 2017/2829 {with a removable cover}
- 17/2833 {Locking means}
- 2017/2837 {with a locking ratchet}
- 17/2841 {Handles}
- 2017/2845 {with a spring pushing the handle back}
- 17/285 . . . combined with cutting implements
- 17/29 . . . Forceps for use in minimally invasive surgery
- 2017/2901 . . . {Details of shaft}
- 2017/2902 {characterized by features of the actuating rod}
- 2017/2903 {transferring rotary motion}
- 2017/2904 {curved, but rigid}
- 2017/2905 {flexible}
- 2017/2906 {Multiple forceps}
- 2017/2908 {Multiple segments connected by articulations}
- 17/2909 {Handles}
- 2017/291 {the position of the handle being adjustable with respect to the shaft}
- 2017/2911 {rings}
- 2017/2912 {transmission of forces to actuating rod or piston}
- 2017/2913 {cams or guiding means}
- 2017/2915 {arcuate shaped guiding means}
- 2017/2916 {pins in guiding slots}
- 2017/2917 {with flexible part}
- 2017/2918 {flexible handles}
- 2017/2919 {details of linkages or pivot points}
- 2017/292 {connection of actuating rod to handle, e.g. ball end in recess}
- 2017/2922 {toggle linkages}
- 2017/2923 {Toothed members, e.g. rack and pinion}
- 2017/2924 {Translation movement of handle without rotating movement}

- 2017/2925 {Pistol grips}
 - 2017/2926 . . . {Details of heads or jaws}
 - 2017/2927 {the angular position of the head being adjustable with respect to the shaft}
 - 2017/2929 {with a head rotatable about the longitudinal axis of the shaft}
 - 2017/293 {with means preventing relative rotation between the shaft and the actuating rod}
 - 2017/2931 {with releasable head}
 - 2017/2932 {Transmission of forces to jaw members}
 - 2017/2933 {camming or guiding means}
 - 2017/2934 {arcuate shaped guiding means}
 - 2017/2936 {Pins in guiding slots}
 - 2017/2937 {with flexible part}
 - 2017/2938 {Independently actuatable jaw members, e.g. two actuating rods}
 - 2017/2939 {Details of linkages or pivot points}
 - 2017/294 {Connection of actuating rod to jaw, e.g. releasable}
 - 2017/2941 {Toggle linkages}
 - 2017/2943 {Toothed members, e.g. rack and pinion}
 - 2017/2944 {Translation of jaw members}
 - 2017/2945 {Curved jaws}
 - 2017/2946 . . . {Locking means}
 - 2017/2947 . . . {Pivots}
 - 2017/2948 . . . {Sealing means, e.g. for sealing the interior from fluid entry}
 - 17/295 . . . combined with cutting implements
 - 17/30 . . . Surgical pincettes {without pivotal connections}({for holding suture needles or materials [A61B 17/0483](#); } wound clamps [A61B 17/08](#) {; hand-held gripping tools without pivotal connections in general [B25B 9/02](#)})
 - 2017/301 . . . {with three legs}
 - 2017/303 . . . {with four or more legs}
 - 2017/305 . . . {Tweezer like handles with tubular extensions, inner slidable actuating members and distal tools, e.g. microsurgical instruments}
 - 2017/306 . . . {holding by means of suction}
 - 2017/308 {with suction cups}
 - 17/32 . . . Surgical cutting instruments {([A61B 18/042](#) takes precedence; suture cutters [A61B 17/0467](#); instruments for ligaturing or cutting [A61B 17/128](#); instruments for rupturing the amniotic membrane [A61B 17/4208](#); specially adapted knives for eye surgery [A61F 9/0133](#))}
- WARNING**
- Groups [A61B 17/32](#), [A61B 17/320016](#), [A61B 17/32002](#), [A61B 17/320036](#), [A61B 17/320068](#), [A61B 17/320092](#), [A61B 17/3201](#), [A61B 17/3203](#), [A61B 17/32037](#), [A61B 17/3205](#), [A61B 17/32053](#), [A61B 17/32056](#), [A61B 17/3207](#), [A61B 17/320708](#), [A61B 17/320725](#), [A61B 17/32075](#), [A61B 17/320758](#) and [A61B 17/320783](#) are incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups [A61M 1/84](#), [A61M 1/842](#), [A61M 1/85](#) and [A61M 1/86](#).
- All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
- 2017/320004 . . . {abrasive}
 - 2017/320008 . . . {Scrapers}
 - 2017/320012 . . . {Brushes}
 - 17/320016 . . . {Endoscopic cutting instruments, e.g. arthroscopes, resectoscopes ([A61B 10/0233](#), [A61B 17/29](#), [A61B 17/3207](#) take precedence)}
 - 17/32002 {with continuously rotating, oscillating or reciprocating cutting instruments}
 - 2017/320024 {Morcellators, e.g. having a hollow cutting tube with an annular cutter for morcellating and removing tissue}
 - 2017/320028 {with reciprocating movements}
 - 2017/320032 {Details of the rotating or oscillating shaft, e.g. using a flexible shaft}
 - 17/320036 {adapted for use within the carpal tunnel}
 - 2017/32004 {having a laterally movable cutting member at its most distal end which remains within the contours of said end}
 - 2017/320044 . . . {Blunt dissectors ([blunt suture needles A61B 2017/06085](#))}
 - 2017/320048 . . . {Balloon dissectors}
 - 2017/320052 . . . {Guides for cutting instruments ([by marking A61B 2090/395](#))}
 - 2017/320056 . . . {Tunnelers}
 - 2017/32006 . . . {with a cutting strip, band or chain, e.g. like a chainsaw}
 - 2017/320064 . . . {with tissue or sample retaining means}
 - 17/320068 . . . {using mechanical vibrations, e.g. ultrasonic ([A61B 17/22012](#) takes precedence; dental tooth drilling devices operated by vibration [A61C 3/03](#); removing intra-ocular material using mechanical vibrations [A61F 9/00745](#))}
 - 2017/320069 . . . {for ablating tissue}
 - 2017/32007 . . . {with suction or vacuum means}
 - 2017/320071 . . . {with articulating means for working tip}
 - 2017/320072 . . . {Working tips with special features, e.g. extending parts}
 - 2017/320073 {probe}
 - 2017/320074 {blade}
 - 2017/320075 {single edge blade, e.g. for cutting}
 - 2017/320077 {double edge blade, e.g. reciprocating}
 - 2017/320078 {Tissue manipulating surface}
 - 2017/32008 {preventing clogging of suction channel}
 - 2017/320082 {for incising tissue}
 - 2017/320084 {Irrigation sleeves}
 - 2017/320088 {with acoustic insulation, e.g. elements for damping vibrations between horn and surrounding sheath}
 - 2017/320089 {node location}
 - 2017/32009 {node at distal end of cutting means}
 - 17/320092 {with additional movable means for clamping or cutting tissue, e.g. with a pivoting jaw}
 - 2017/320093 {additional movable means performing cutting operation}
 - 2017/320094 {additional movable means performing clamping operation}
 - 2017/320095 {with sealing or cauterizing means}
 - 2017/320097 {with stapling means}
 - 2017/320098 {with transverse or torsional motion}
 - 17/3201 . . . Scissors ([for biopsy A61B 10/02](#))
 - 17/3203 . . . Fluid jet cutting instruments
 - 2017/32032 {using cavitation of the fluid}
 - 2017/32035 {with gas or air}

- 17/32037 . . . {for removing obstructions from inner organs or blood vessels, e.g. for atherectomy}
- 17/3205 . . . Excision instruments
- 17/32053 . . . {Punch like cutting instruments, e.g. using a cylindrical or oval knife ([A61B 17/326](#) takes precedence; trepans [A61B 17/1695](#); for use on the cornea [A61F 9/007](#))}
- 17/32056 . . . {Surgical snare instruments (for removing or smashing calculi [A61B 2017/2212](#); tonsillotomes [A61B 17/26](#))}
- 17/3207 . . . Atherectomy devices {working by cutting or abrading; Similar devices specially adapted for non-vascular obstructions ([A61B 17/32037](#) takes precedence; endoscopic cutting instruments [A61B 17/320016](#))}
- 17/320708 {Curettes, e.g. hollow scraping instruments}
- 2017/320716 {comprising means for preventing embolism by dislodged material}
- 17/320725 {with radially expandable cutting or abrading elements ([A61B 17/32075](#) takes precedence)}
- 2017/320733 {with a flexible cutting or scraping element, e.g. with a whip-like distal filament member}
- 2017/320741 {for stripping the intima or the internal plaque from a blood vessel, e.g. for endarterectomy}
- 17/32075 {Pullback cutting; combined forward and pullback cutting, e.g. with cutters at both sides of the plaque}
- 17/320758 {with a rotating cutting instrument, e.g. motor driven ([A61B 17/320725](#), [A61B 17/32075](#) and [A61B 17/320783](#) take precedence; for removing intra-ocular material [A61F 9/00763](#); endoscopic rotatable cutting instruments [A61B 17/32002](#))}
- 2017/320766 {eccentric}
- 2017/320775 {Morcellators, impeller or propeller like means}
- 17/320783 {through side-hole, e.g. sliding or rotating cutter inside catheter}
- 2017/320791 {with cutter extending outside the cutting window}
- 17/3209 . . . Incision instruments
- 17/32093 . . . {for skin incisions}
- 2017/32096 . . . {for slowly cutting through tissue, e.g. stent like temporary implants having sharp edges}
- 17/3211 . . . Surgical scalpels, knives; Accessories therefor
- 2017/32113 {with extendable or retractable guard or blade}
- 2017/32116 {with means for improving the rigidity of the blade, e.g. with a reinforcing rib}
- 17/3213 with detachable blades
- 17/3215 Packages or dispensers for scalpel blades {([for sharps A61B 50/3001](#))}
- 17/3217 Devices for removing or collecting used scalpel blades {([for sharps A61B 50/362](#))}
- 17/322 . . . Skin grafting apparatus
- 2017/3225 . . . {with processing of harvested tissue}
- 17/326 . . . Circumcision apparatus
- 17/34 . . . Trocars; Puncturing needles {(pointed biopsy instruments [A61B 10/0233](#); devices for piercing the ear-lobes [A44C 7/001](#); seals or hemostasis valves [A61M 39/06](#))}
- 17/3401 . . {Puncturing needles for the peridural or subarachnoid space or the plexus, e.g. for anaesthesia ([local anaesthesia A61M 19/00](#))}
- 17/3403 . . {Needle locating or guiding means (guides for suture needles [A61B 17/0482](#); guiding or tracking by nuclear magnetic resonance [G01R 33/285](#))}
- 2017/3405 . . . {using mechanical guide means}
- 2017/3407 {including a base for support on the body}
- 2017/3409 {including needle or instrument drives}
- 2017/3411 {with a plurality of holes, e.g. holes in matrix arrangement}
- 2017/3413 . . . {guided by ultrasound}
- 17/3415 . . {for introducing tubes or catheters, e.g. gastrostomy tubes, drain catheters ([A61B 17/3417](#) takes precedence; body piercing catheter guide needles [A61M 25/06](#))}
- 17/3417 . . {Details of tips or shafts, e.g. grooves, expandable, bendable; Multiple coaxial sliding cannulas, e.g. for dilating ([syringe needles A61M 5/32](#); dilators [A61M 29/00](#))}
- 2017/3419 . . . {Sealing means between cannula and body}
- 17/3421 . . . {Cannulas}
- 17/3423 {Access ports, e.g. toroid shape introducers for instruments or hands ([access sites for liquids A61M 39/0247](#))}
- 2017/3425 {for internal organs, e.g. heart ports}
- 2017/3427 {for intercostal space}
- 2017/3429 {having a unitary compressible body, e.g. made of silicone or foam}
- 17/3431 {being collapsible, e.g. made of thin flexible material ([A61B 17/3423](#) takes precedence)}
- 2017/3433 {with different outer diameters of the cannula}
- 2017/3435 {using everted sleeves}
- 2017/3437 {with means for removing or absorbing fluid, e.g. wicks or absorbent pads}
- 17/3439 {with means for changing the inner diameter of the cannula, e.g. expandable ([A61B 17/3423](#), [A61B 17/3431](#) take precedence; catheters [A61M 25/0662](#))}
- 2017/3441 {with distal sealing means}
- 2017/3443 {with means for adjusting the length of a cannula}
- 2017/3445 {used as instrument channel for multiple instruments ([catheters A61B 2017/22072](#))}
- 2017/3447 {Linked multiple cannulas}
- 2017/3449 {whereby the instrument channels merge into one single channel}
- 2017/345 {for introduction into a natural body opening}
- 2017/3452 {for the rectum, e.g. for hemorrhoid surgery}
- 2017/3454 . . . {Details of tips}
- 2017/3456 {blunt}
- 2017/3458 {threaded}
- 2017/346 {with wings}
- 17/3462 . . {with means for changing the diameter or the orientation of the entrance port of the cannula, e.g. for use with different-sized instruments, reduction ports, adapter seals ([expandable cannulas A61B 17/3417](#))}
- 2017/3464 . . . {with means acting on inner surface of valve or seal for expanding or protecting, e.g. inner pivoting fingers}

- 2017/3466 . . . {for simultaneous sealing of multiple instruments}
 - 17/3468 . . {for implanting or removing devices, e.g. prostheses, implants, seeds, wires (devices for implanting seeds [A61M 37/0069](#))}
 - 2017/347 . . {Locking means, e.g. for locking instrument in cannula}
 - 17/3472 . . {for bones, e.g. intraosseus injections}
 - 17/3474 . . {Insufflating needles, e.g. Veress needles}
 - 17/3476 . . {Powered trocars, e.g. electrosurgical cutting, lasers, powered knives}
 - 17/3478 . . {Endoscopic needles, e.g. for infusion (biopsy needles [A61B 10/0233](#); catheters with injection needles [A61M 25/0067](#))}
 - 2017/348 . . {Means for supporting the trocar against the body or retaining the trocar inside the body}
 - 2017/3482 . . . {inside}
 - 2017/3484 {Anchoring means, e.g. spreading-out umbrella-like structure}
 - 2017/3486 {Balloon}
 - 2017/3488 {Fixation to inner organ or inner body tissue}
 - 2017/349 {Trocar with thread on outside}
 - 2017/3492 . . . {against the outside of the body}
 - 17/3494 . . {with safety means for protection against accidental cutting or pricking, e.g. limiting insertion depth, pressure sensors (for the peridural space [A61B 17/3401](#))}
 - 17/3496 . . . {Protecting sleeves or inner probes; Retractable tips (for protecting body piercing guide needles [A61M 25/0612](#))}
 - 17/3498 . . {Valves therefor, e.g. flapper valves, slide valves (haemostasis valves [A61M 39/06](#); check valves [A61M 39/24](#))}
 - 17/42 . . Gynaecological or obstetrical instruments or methods ({ligaturing clamps or clips for the umbilical cord [A61B 17/122](#); curettage [A61B 17/3207](#) ; dilators [A61M 29/00](#))}
 - 17/4208 . . {Instruments for rupturing the amniotic membrane}
 - 2017/4216 . . {Operations on uterus, e.g. endometrium}
 - 2017/4225 . . . {Cervix uteri}
 - 2017/4233 . . {Operations on Fallopian tubes, e.g. sterilization ([A61B 2017/1125](#) takes precedence)}
 - 17/4241 . . {Instruments for manoeuvring or retracting the uterus, e.g. during laparoscopic surgery}
 - 17/425 . . for reproduction or fertilisation (specially adapted for use with animals [A61D 19/00](#))
 - 17/43 . . . for artificial insemination
 - 17/435 . . . for embryo {or ova} transplantation
 - 17/44 . . Obstetrical forceps
 - 17/442 . . . {without pivotal connections, e.g. using vacuum}
 - 2017/445 . . . {with force indication}
 - 2017/447 . . . {with force limitation}
 - 17/46 . . Embryotomes (for animals [A61D 1/10](#))
 - 17/48 . . Bags for midwives
 - 17/50 . . Instruments, other than pincettes or toothpicks, for removing foreign bodies from the human body (locating otherwise [A61B 5/06](#); locating by radiation [A61B 6/00](#); {removing calculi [A61B 17/22](#); from the eyes [A61F 9/00709](#))}
 - 2017/505 . . {Parasite, e.g. tick, removers}
 - 17/52 . . Magnets
 - 17/54 . . Chiropractors' instruments {, e.g. pedicure (chiropractic devices [A61H 1/008](#))}
 - 17/545 . . {using a stream or spray of abrasive particles}
 - 17/56 . . Surgical instruments or methods for treatment of bones or joints; Devices specially adapted therefor
- NOTES**
1. Documents concerning exclusively surgical methods are classified only in this group.
 2. Surgical instruments or devices are classified only in the relevant subgroups
- 2017/561 . . {Implants with special means for releasing a drug}
 - 17/562 . . {Implants for placement in joint gaps without restricting joint motion, e.g. to reduce arthritic pain}
 - 2017/564 . . {Methods for bone or joint treatment}
 - 2017/565 . . . {for surgical correction of axial deviation, e.g. hallux valgus or genu valgus}
 - 2017/567 . . {Joint mechanisms or joint supports in addition to the natural joints and outside the joint gaps}
 - 2017/568 . . {produced with shape and dimensions specific for an individual patient}
 - 17/58 . . for osteosynthesis, e.g. bone plates, screws {, setting implements} or the like ([A61B 17/14](#), [A61B 17/16](#) take precedence)
 - 17/60 . . . for external osteosynthesis, e.g. distractors, contractors
 - 2017/603 {with three points of contact, e.g. tripod}
 - 2017/606 {with resilient spring element}
 - 17/62 Ring frames, i.e. devices extending around the bones to be positioned ({[A61B 17/6433](#) , [A61B 17/66](#) take precedence)}
 - 17/64 Devices extending alongside the bones to be positioned
 - 17/6408 {Devices not permitting mobility, e.g. fixed to bed, with or without means for traction or reduction (without surgery [A61F 5/04](#))}
 - 17/6416 {with non-continuous, e.g. hinged, pin-clamp connecting element ([A61B 17/6425](#), [A61B 17/6441](#) take precedence)}
 - 17/6425 {specially adapted to be fitted across a bone joint}
 - 17/6433 {specially adapted for use on body parts other than limbs, e.g. trunk or head}
 - 17/6441 {Bilateral fixators, i.e. with both ends of pins or wires clamped}
 - 17/645 {comprising a framework ([A61B 17/6425](#), [A61B 17/6441](#) take precedence)}
 - 17/6458 {with pin-clamps fixed at ends of connecting element}
 - 17/6466 {with pin-clamps movable along a solid connecting rod}
 - 17/6475 {the connecting rod being threaded}
 - 17/6483 {the connecting rod having a non-circular section}
 - 17/6491 {allowing small-scale motion of bone ends}
 - 17/66 {Alignment}, compression or distraction mechanisms

17/663	. . . . .	{for jaw bones, e.g. subcutaneous distractors with external access (periodontal bone regeneration A61C 8/0006)}	17/7019	. . . . .	{Longitudinal elements having flexible parts, or parts connected together, such that after implantation the elements can move relative to each other}
17/666	. . . . .	{for alveolar distraction}	17/702	. . . . .	{having a core or insert, and a sleeve, whereby a screw or hook can move along the core or in the sleeve}
17/68	. . .	Internal fixation devices {, including fasteners and spinal fixators, even if a part thereof projects from the skin (bone staples A61B 17/0642)}	17/7022	. . . . .	{Tethers, i.e. longitudinal elements capable of transmitting tension only, e.g. straps, sutures or cables (A61B 17/702 takes precedence)}
2017/681	. . . .	{Alignment, compression, or distraction mechanisms}	17/7023	. . . . .	{with a pivot joint}
17/683	. . . .	{comprising bone transfixation elements, e.g. bolt with a distal cooperating element such as a nut}	17/7025	. . . . .	{with a sliding joint}
17/685	. . . .	{Elements to be fitted on the end of screws or wires, e.g. protective caps}	17/7026	. . . . .	{with a part that is flexible due to its form}
17/686	. . . .	{Plugs, i.e. elements forming interface between bone hole and implant or fastener, e.g. screw}	17/7028	. . . . .	{the flexible part being a coil spring}
17/688	. . . .	{for reattaching pieces of the skull}	17/7029	. . . . .	{the entire longitudinal element being flexible}
17/70	. . . .	Spinal positioners or stabilisers {; Bone stabilisers comprising fluid filler in an implant}	17/7031	. . . . .	{made wholly or partly of flexible material}
17/7001	. . . . .	{Screws or hooks combined with longitudinal elements which do not contact vertebrae (A61B 17/7058 takes precedence)}	17/7032	. . . . .	{Screws or hooks with U-shaped head or back through which longitudinal rods pass}
17/7002	. . . . .	{Longitudinal elements, e.g. rods}	17/7034	. . . . .	{characterised by a lateral opening}
17/7004	. . . . .	{with a cross-section which varies along its length (A61B 17/7019 takes precedence)}	17/7035	. . . . .	{Screws or hooks, wherein a rod-clamping part and a bone-anchoring part can pivot relative to each other}
17/7005	. . . . .	{Parts of the longitudinal elements, e.g. their ends, being specially adapted to fit in the screw or hook heads}	17/7037	. . . . .	{wherein pivoting is blocked when the rod is clamped}
17/7007	. . . . .	{Parts of the longitudinal elements, e.g. their ends, being specially adapted to fit around the screw or hook heads}	17/7038	. . . . .	{to a different extent in different directions, e.g. within one plane only}
17/7008	. . . . .	{with parts of, or attached to, the longitudinal elements, bearing against an outside of the screw or hook heads, e.g. nuts on threaded rods (A61B 17/7007 takes precedence)}	17/704	. . . . .	{the longitudinal element passing through a ball-joint in the screw head}
17/701	. . . . .	{Longitudinal elements with a non-circular, e.g. rectangular, cross-section (A61B 17/7005 , A61B 17/7007 take precedence)}	17/7041	. . . . .	{with single longitudinal rod offset laterally from single row of screws or hooks (A61B 17/7044 takes precedence)}
17/7011	. . . . .	{Longitudinal element being non-straight, e.g. curved, angled or branched (adjustable length longitudinal elements A61B 17/7014 ; A61B 17/7019 takes precedence, e.g. coil springs)}	17/7043	. . . . .	{with a longitudinal element fixed to one or more transverse elements which connect multiple screws or hooks}
17/7013	. . . . .	{the shape of the element being adjustable before use (adjustable length plates A61B 17/7014)}	17/7044	. . . . .	{also having plates, staples or washers bearing on the vertebrae}
17/7014	. . . . .	{with means for adjusting the distance between two screws or hooks}	17/7046	. . . . .	{the screws or hooks being mobile in use relative to the longitudinal element (A61B 17/702 , A61B 17/7035 take precedence)}
17/7016	. . . . .	{electric or electromagnetic means}	17/7047	. . . . .	{Clamps comprising opposed elements which grasp one vertebra between them}
17/7017	. . . . .	{pneumatic or hydraulic means}	17/7049	. . . . .	{Connectors, not bearing on the vertebrae, for linking longitudinal elements together (A61B 17/7055 , A61B 17/7053 , A61B 17/7019 take precedence)}
			17/705	. . . . .	{for linking adjacent ends of longitudinal elements}
			17/7052	. . . . .	{of variable angle or length}
			17/7053	. . . . .	{with parts attached to bones or to each other by flexible wires, straps, sutures or cables}
			17/7055	. . . . .	{connected to sacrum, pelvis or skull}
			17/7056	. . . . .	{Hooks with specially-designed bone-contacting part}

17/7058	. . . . .	{Plates mounted on top of bone anchor heads or shoulders}	17/7083	. . . . .	{Tools for guidance or insertion of tethers, rod-to-anchor connectors, rod-to-rod connectors, or longitudinal elements}
17/7059	. . . . .	{Cortical plates (A61B 17/7007 , A61B 17/7058 take precedence)}	17/7085	. . . . .	{for insertion of a longitudinal element down one or more hollow screw or hook extensions, i.e. at least a part of the element within an extension has a component of movement parallel to the extension's axis}
17/7061	. . . . .	{for stabilising vertebrae or discs by improving the condition of their tissues, e.g. using implanted medication or fluid exchange (intraosseous injection devices A61B 17/3472)}	17/7086	. . . . .	{Rod reducers, i.e. devices providing a mechanical advantage to allow a user to force a rod into or onto an anchor head other than by means of a rod-to-bone anchor locking element; rod removers}
17/7062	. . . . .	{Devices acting on, attached to, or simulating the effect of, vertebral processes, vertebral facets or ribs (rib fixation devices A61B 17/8076); Tools for such devices}	17/7088	. . . . .	{wherein the rod is moved transverse to the axis of the bone anchor}
17/7064	. . . . .	{Devices acting on, attached to, or simulating the effect of, vertebral facets; Tools therefor}	17/7089	. . . . .	{wherein insertion is along an arcuate path}
17/7065	. . . . .	{Devices with changeable shape, e.g. collapsible or having retractable arms to aid implantation; Tools therefor}	17/7091	. . . . .	{for applying, tightening or removing longitudinal element-to-bone anchor locking elements, e.g. caps, set screws, nuts or wedges}
17/7067	. . . . .	{Devices bearing against one or more spinous processes and also attached to another part of the spine; Tools therefor}	17/7092	. . . . .	{for checking pedicle hole has correct depth or has an intact wall (pedicle drill depth limiters A61B 17/1626)}
17/7068	. . . . .	{Devices comprising separate rigid parts, assembled <i>in situ</i> , to bear on each side of spinous processes; Tools therefor}	17/7094	. . . . .	{Solid vertebral fillers; devices for inserting such fillers}
17/707	. . . . .	{Devices acting on, or attached to, a transverse process or rib; Tools therefor}	17/7095	. . . . .	{the filler comprising unlinked macroscopic particles}
17/7071	. . . . .	{Implants for expanding or repairing the vertebral arch or wedged between laminae or pedicles; Tools therefor}	17/7097	. . . . .	{Stabilisers comprising fluid filler in an implant, e.g. balloon; devices for inserting or filling such implants (disc prostheses made of inflatable chambers or pockets filled with fluid A61F 2/441 ; replacing the nucleus pulposus A61F 2002/444)}
2017/7073	. . . . .	{with intervertebral connecting element crossing an imaginary spinal median surface}	17/7098	. . . . .	{wherein the implant is permeable or has openings, e.g. fenestrated screw (hollow surgical screws A61B 17/864)}
17/7074	. . . . .	{Tools specially adapted for spinal fixation operations other than for bone removal or filler handling (A61B 17/7062 , A61B 17/808 , A61B 17/8858 take precedence; for spinal image producing devices A61B 90/36 , A61B 34/20 ; markers A61B 90/39)}	17/72	. . . . .	Intramedullary {pins, nails or other} devices (A61B 17/744 takes precedence)}
17/7076	. . . . .	{for driving, positioning or assembling spinal clamps or bone anchors specially adapted for spinal fixation}	17/7208	. . . . .	{Flexible pins, e.g. ENDER pins}
17/7077	. . . . .	{for moving bone anchors attached to vertebrae, thereby displacing the vertebrae}	17/7216	. . . . .	{for bone lengthening or compression (A61B 17/7258 takes precedence)}
17/7079	. . . . .	{Tools requiring anchors to be already mounted on an implanted longitudinal or transverse element, e.g. where said element guides the anchor motion}	17/7225	. . . . .	{for bone compression}
17/708	. . . . .	{with tubular extensions coaxially mounted on the bone anchors}	17/7233	. . . . .	{with special means of locking the nail to the bone}
17/7082	. . . . .	{for driving, i.e. rotating, screws or screw parts specially adapted for spinal fixation, e.g. for driving polyaxial or tulip-headed screws (driving other bone screws A61B 17/8875)}	17/7241	. . . . .	{the nail having separate elements through which screws pass}
			17/725	. . . . .	{with locking pins or screws of special form}
			17/7258	. . . . .	{with laterally expanding parts, e.g. for gripping the bone}
			17/7266	. . . . .	{with fingers moving radially outwardly}
			17/7275	. . . . .	{with expanding cylindrical parts}
			17/7283	. . . . .	{with special cross-section of the nail}
			17/7291	. . . . .	{for small bones, e.g. in the foot, ankle, hand or wrist}

17/74	. . . .	Devices for the head {or neck or trochanter} of the femur {(trochanteric devices connected to the proximal part of an endoprosthesis femoral shaft A61F 2/30739 ; endoprosthesis internal fixation devices for the head or neck of the femur A61F 2/3601)}	17/809	. . . . .	{with bone-penetrating elements, e.g. blades or prongs (bone staples A61B 17/0642 ; intramedullary nails with a plate at an end A61B 17/7233)}
17/742	. . . . .	{having one or more longitudinal elements oriented along or parallel to the axis of the neck}	17/8095	. . . . .	{Wedge osteotomy devices}
17/744	. . . . .	{the longitudinal elements coupled to an intramedullary nail}	17/82	. . . . .	for bone cerclage {(apparatus for manipulating wires or straps A61B 17/8861 ; wires, bands or straps other than cerclage A61B 17/842)}
17/746	. . . . .	{the longitudinal elements coupled to a plate opposite the femoral head}	17/823	. . . . .	{for the sternum}
17/748	. . . . .	{with means for adapting the angle between the longitudinal elements and the shaft axis of the femur}	17/826	. . . . .	{Nets or webs}
17/80	. . . . .	Cortical plates {, i.e. bone plates; Instruments for holding or positioning cortical plates, or for compressing bones attached to cortical plates}	17/84	. . . . .	Fasteners therefor {or fasteners being internal fixation devices}
17/8004	. . . . .	{with means for distracting or compressing the bone or bones}	17/842	. . . . .	{Flexible wires, bands or straps (A61B 17/72 , A61B 17/82 , A61B 17/86 take precedence)}
17/8009	. . . . .	{the plate having a ratchet}	17/844	. . . . .	{with expandable anchors or anchors having movable parts}
17/8014	. . . . .	{the extension or compression force being caused by interaction of the plate hole and the screws}	17/846	. . . . .	{Nails or pins, i.e. anchors without movable parts, holding by friction only, with or without structured surface (A61B 17/72 , A61B 17/86 take precedence)}
17/8019	. . . . .	{where the means are a separate tool rather than being part of the plate}	17/848	. . . . .	{Kirschner wires, i.e. thin, long nails}
17/8023	. . . . .	{Variable length plates adjustable in both directions}	17/86	. . . . .	Pins or screws {or threaded wires; nuts therefor (A61B 17/72 take precedence)}
17/8028	. . . . .	{Cushions, i.e. elements forming interface between bone plate and bone}	17/8605	. . . . .	{Heads, i.e. proximal ends projecting from bone}
17/8033	. . . . .	{having indirect contact with screw heads, or having contact with screw heads maintained with the aid of additional components, e.g. nuts, wedges or head covers}	17/861	. . . . .	{specially shaped for gripping driver}
17/8038	. . . . .	{the additional component being inserted in the screw head}	17/8615	. . . . .	{at the central region of the screw head}
17/8042	. . . . .	{the additional component being a cover over the screw head}	17/862	. . . . .	{at the periphery of the screw head}
17/8047	. . . . .	{wherein the additional element surrounds the screw head in the plate hole (A61B 17/8052 takes precedence)}	17/8625	. . . . .	{Shanks, i.e. parts contacting bone tissue}
17/8052	. . . . .	{immobilised relative to screws by interlocking form of the heads and plate holes, e.g. conical or threaded}	17/863	. . . . .	{with thread interrupted or changing its form along shank, other than constant taper}
17/8057	. . . . .	{the interlocking form comprising a thread}	17/8635	. . . . .	{Tips of screws}
17/8061	. . . . .	{specially adapted for particular bones (A61B 17/70 and A61B 17/74 take precedence)}	17/864	. . . . .	{hollow, e.g. with socket or cannulated}
17/8066	. . . . .	{for pelvic reconstruction}	17/8645	. . . . .	{Headless screws, e.g. ligament interference screws}
17/8071	. . . . .	{for the jaw}	17/865	. . . . .	{Packages or dispensers for bone screws or threaded wires}
17/8076	. . . . .	{for the ribs or the sternum}	2017/8655	. . . . .	{with special features for locking in the bone}
17/808	. . . . .	{Instruments for holding or positioning bone plates, or for adjusting screw-to-plate locking mechanisms}	17/866	. . . . .	{Material or manufacture}
17/8085	. . . . .	{with pliable or malleable elements or having a mesh-like structure, e.g. small strips (A61B 17/8071 , A61B 17/8076 take precedence)}	17/8665	. . . . .	{Nuts}
			2017/867	. . . . .	{with integral locking or clamping means}
			2017/8675	. . . . .	{clamping effect due to tapering, e.g. conical thread}
			2017/868	. . . . .	{self-locking due to part of nut being deformed upon tightening}
			17/8685	. . . . .	{comprising multiple separate parts}
			17/869	. . . . .	{characterised by an open form, e.g. wire helix}
			17/8695	. . . . .	{Washers (surrounding screw head in plate hole A61B 17/8047 , between bone plate and bone A61B 17/8028)}
			17/88	. . . . .	{Osteosynthesis instruments;} Methods or means for implanting or extracting internal {or external} fixation devices {(A61B 17/7074 takes precedence)}

17/8802	. . . .	{Equipment for handling bone cement or other fluid fillers}	17/8869	. . . .	{Tensioning devices}
17/8805	. . . .	{for introducing fluid filler into bone or extracting it (A61B 17/7097 , A61B 17/8833 take precedence)}	17/8872	. . . .	{Instruments for putting said fixation devices against or away from the bone (A61B 17/7074 , A61B 17/808 take precedence)}
17/8808	. . . . .	{with sealing collar for bone cavity}	17/8875	. . . .	{Screwdrivers, spanners or wrenches}
17/8811	. . . . .	{characterised by the introducer tip, i.e. the part inserted into or onto the bone}	17/8877	. . . . .	{characterised by the cross-section of the driver bit}
2017/8813	. . . . .	{Discharging means for excessively introduced fluid fillers, e.g. discharging excess cement}	17/888	. . . . .	{the driver bit acting on the central region of the screw head}
17/8816	. . . . .	{characterised by the conduit, e.g. tube, along which fluid flows into the body or by conduit connections}	17/8883	. . . . .	{the driver bit acting on the periphery of the screw head}
17/8819	. . . . .	{characterised by the introducer proximal part, e.g. cannula handle, or by parts which are inserted inside each other, e.g. stylet and cannula (A61B 17/8825 takes precedence)}	17/8886	. . . . .	{holding the screw head}
17/8822	. . . . .	{characterised by means facilitating expulsion of fluid from the introducer, e.g. a screw pump plunger, hydraulic force transmissions, application of vibrations or a vacuum}	17/8888	. . . . .	{at its central region}
17/8825	. . . . .	{characterised by syringe details (A61B 17/8822 , A61B 17/8827 take precedence)}	17/8891	. . . . .	{at its periphery}
17/8827	. . . . .	{with filtering, degassing, venting or pressure relief means}	17/8894	. . . . .	{holding the implant into or through which the screw is to be inserted (A61B 17/7082 , A61B 17/7091 take precedence)}
2017/883	. . . . .	{Means for indicating hardening of bone cement}	17/8897	. . . .	{Guide wires or guide pins}
17/8833	. . . . .	{Osteosynthesis tools specially adapted for handling bone cement or fluid fillers; Means for supplying bone cement or fluid fillers to introducing tools, e.g. cartridge handling means}	2017/90	. . . .	{Guides therefor}
17/8836	. . . . .	{for heating, cooling or curing of bone cement or fluid fillers}	17/92	. . . .	Impactors or extractors, e.g. for removing intramedullary devices {(insertion or extraction of artificial joints A61F 2/4603)}
2017/8838	. . . . .	{for mixing bone cement or fluid fillers}	17/921	. . . . .	{for intramedullary devices}
17/8841	. . . . .	{Tools specially adapted to engage a prosthesis}	2017/922	. . . . .	{Devices for impaction, impact element}
2017/8844	. . . . .	{Means for determining the viscosity of bone cement}	2017/924	. . . . .	{Impact element driving means}
17/8847	. . . . .	{for removing cement from a bone cavity (using surgical bone chisels, drills, mills, rasps, reamers or scrapers A61B 17/16 ; using laser A61B 18/20 ; using ultrasonic surgical instruments A61N 7/00)}	2017/925	. . . . .	{a spring}
17/885	. . . . .	{Tools for expanding or compacting bones or discs or cavities therein (A61B 17/8805 , A61B 17/7097 take precedence)}	2017/927	. . . . .	{Returning means}
17/8852	. . . . .	{capable of being assembled or enlarged, or changing shape, inside the bone or disc}	2017/928	. . . . .	{a spring}
17/8855	. . . . .	{inflatable, e.g. kyphoplasty balloons}			
17/8858	. . . . .	{laterally or radially expansible (inflatable A61B 17/8855)}			
17/8861	. . . . .	{Apparatus for manipulating flexible wires or straps (devices for inserting Kirschner wires A61B 17/1697)}			
17/8863	. . . . .	{Apparatus for shaping or cutting osteosynthesis equipment by medical personnel}			
17/8866	. . . . .	{for gripping or pushing bones, e.g. approximators (joint distractors A61B 17/025)}			
			18/00		Surgical instruments, devices or methods for transferring non-mechanical forms of energy to or from the body (eye surgery A61F 9/007; ear surgery A61F 11/00)
			2018/00005	. . . .	{Cooling or heating of the probe or tissue immediately surrounding the probe}
			2018/00011	. . .	{with fluids}
			2018/00017	. . .	{with gas}
			2018/00023	. . .	{closed, i.e. without wound contact by the fluid}
			2018/00029	. . .	{open}
			2018/00035	. . . .	{with return means}
			2018/00041	. . .	{Heating, e.g. defrosting}
			2018/00047	. . .	{using Peltier effect}
			2018/00053	. . .	{Mechanical features of the instrument of device}
			2018/00059	. . .	{Material properties}
			2018/00065	. . .	{porous}
			2018/00071	. . .	{Electrical conductivity}
			2018/00077	. . . .	{high, i.e. electrically conducting}
			2018/00083	. . . .	{low, i.e. electrically insulating}
			2018/00089	. . .	{Thermal conductivity}
			2018/00095	. . . .	{high, i.e. heat conducting}
			2018/00101	. . . .	{low, i.e. thermally insulating}
			2018/00107	. . .	{Coatings on the energy applicator}
			2018/00113	. . .	{with foam}
			2018/00119	. . .	{with metal oxide nitride}
			2018/00125	. . .	{with nanostructure}
			2018/0013	. . .	{non-sticking}
			2018/00136	. . .	{with polymer}
			2018/00142	. . .	{lubricating}
			2018/00148	. . .	{with metal}
			2018/00154	. . .	{containing and delivering drugs}

2018/0016	. . {Energy applicators arranged in a two- or three dimensional array}	2018/0047	. . . {Upper parts of the skin, e.g. skin peeling or treatment of wrinkles}
2018/00166	. . {Multiple lumina}	2018/00476	. . . {Hair follicles}
2018/00172	. . {Connectors and adapters therefor}	2018/00482	. . {Digestive system}
2018/00178	. . . {Electrical connectors}	2018/00488	. . . {Esophagus}
2018/00184	. . {Moving parts}	2018/00494	. . . {Stomach, intestines or bowel}
2018/0019	. . . {vibrating}	2018/005	. . . {Rectum}
2018/00196	. . . {reciprocating lengthwise}	2018/00505	. . {Urinary tract}
2018/00202	. . . {rotating}	2018/00511	. . . {Kidney}
2018/00208	. . . . {actively driven, e.g. by a motor}	2018/00517	. . . {Urinary bladder or urethra}
2018/00214	. . {Expandable means emitting energy, e.g. by elements carried thereon}	2018/00523	. . . {Treatment of incontinence}
2018/0022	. . . {Balloons}	2018/00529	. . {Liver}
2018/00226	. . . . {extending from a surface, i.e. Blisters}	2018/00535	. . . {Biliary tract}
2018/00232	. . . . {having an irregular shape}	2018/00541	. . {Lung or bronchi}
2018/00238	. . . . {porous}	2018/00547	. . {Prostate}
2018/00244	. . . . {adapted to separate target tissue from other tissue}	2018/00553	. . {Sphincter}
2018/0025	. . . . {Multiple balloons}	2018/00559	. . {Female reproductive organs}
2018/00255	. . . . . {arranged one inside another}	2018/00565	. . {Bone}
2018/00261	. . . . . {arranged in a line}	2018/00571	. {for achieving a particular surgical effect}
2018/00267	. . . {having a basket shaped structure}	2018/00577	. . {Ablation}
2018/00273	. . {Anchoring means for temporary attachment of a device to tissue}	2018/00583	. . . {Coblation, i.e. ablation using a cold plasma}
2018/00279	. . . {deployable}	2018/00589	. . {Coagulation}
2018/00285	. . . . {Balloons}	2018/00595	. . {Cauterization}
2018/00291	. . . {using suction}	2018/00601	. . {Cutting}
2018/00297	. . {Means for providing haptic feedback}	2018/00607	. . {Coagulation and cutting with the same instrument}
2018/00303	. . . {active, e.g. with a motor creating vibrations}	2018/00613	. . {Irreversible electroporation (reversible electroporation A61N 1/327)}
2018/00309	. . . {passive, e.g. palpable click when activating a button}	2018/00619	. . {Welding}
2018/00315	. {for treatment of particular body parts}	2018/00625	. . {Vaporization}
2018/00321	. . {Head or parts thereof}	2018/0063	. . {Sealing}
2018/00327	. . . {Ear, nose or throat}	2018/00636	. {Sensing and controlling the application of energy}
2018/00333	. . {Breast}	2018/00642	. . {with feedback, i.e. closed loop control}
2018/00339	. . {Spine, e.g. intervertebral disc}	2018/00648	. . . {using more than one sensed parameter}
2018/00345	. . {Vascular system}	2018/00654	. . . {with individual control of each of a plurality of energy emitting elements}
2018/00351	. . . {Heart}	2018/0066	. . {without feedback, i.e. open loop control}
2018/00357	. . . . {Endocardium}	2018/00666	. . {using a threshold value}
2018/00363	. . . . {Epicardium}	2018/00672	. . . {lower}
2018/00369	. . . . {Heart valves}	2018/00678	. . . {upper}
2018/00375	. . . . {Ostium, e.g. ostium of pulmonary vein or artery}	2018/00684	. . {using lookup tables}
2018/0038	. . . . {Foramen ovale}	2018/0069	. . {using fuzzy logic}
2018/00386	. . . . {Coronary vessels}	2018/00696	. . {Controlled or regulated parameters}
2018/00392	. . . . {Transmyocardial revascularisation}	2018/00702	. . . {Power or energy}
2018/00398	. . . {Blood}	2018/00708	. . . . {switching the power on or off}
2018/00404	. . . {Blood vessels other than those in or around the heart}	2018/00714	. . . {Temperature}
2018/0041	. . . . {Removal of thrombosis}	2018/0072	. . . {Current}
2018/00416	. . . . {Treatment of aneurisms}	2018/00726	. . . {Duty cycle}
2018/00422	. . . . {Angioplasty}	2018/00732	. . . {Frequency}
2018/00428	. . . . {Severing}	2018/00738	. . . {Depth, e.g. depth of ablation}
2018/00434	. . {Neural system}	2018/00744	. . . {Fluid flow}
2018/0044	. . . {Spinal cord}	2018/0075	. . . {Phase}
2018/00446	. . . {Brain}	2018/00755	. . . {Resistance or impedance}
2018/00452	. . {Skin}	2018/00761	. . . {Duration}
2018/00458	. . . {Deeper parts of the skin, e.g. treatment of vascular disorders or port wine stains}	2018/00767	. . . {Voltage}
2018/00464	. . . . {Subcutaneous fat, e.g. liposuction, lipolysis}	2018/00773	. . {Sensed parameters}
		2018/00779	. . . {Power or energy}
		2018/00785	. . . . {Reflected power}
		2018/00791	. . . {Temperature}
		2018/00797	. . . . {measured by multiple temperature sensors}
		2018/00803	. . . . {with temperature prediction}
		2018/00809	. . . . {measured thermochromatically}

2018/00815	. . . . {measured by a thermistor}	2018/0268	. . . . {with restriction of flow}
2018/00821	. . . . {measured by a thermocouple}	2018/0275	. . . . {using porous elements}
2018/00827	. . . {Current}	2018/0281	. . . . {using a tortuous path, e.g. formed by fins or ribs}
2018/00833	. . . . {Differential current}	2018/0287	. . . . {the fluid flowing through a long thin tube with spiral shape}
2018/00839	. . . {Bioelectrical parameters, e.g. ECG, EEG}	2018/0293	. . {using an instrument interstitially inserted into the body, e.g. needle}
2018/00845	. . . {Frequency}	18/04	. by heating (by applying electromagnetic radiation A61B 18/18 ; hyperthermia using electric or magnetic fields, radiation or ultrasound A61N)
2018/00851	. . . . {fundamental}	18/042	. . {using additional gas becoming plasma}
2018/00857	. . . . {harmonic}	2018/044	. . {the surgical action being effected by a circulating hot fluid}
2018/00863	. . . {Fluid flow}	2018/046	. . . {in liquid form}
2018/00869	. . . {Phase}	2018/048	. . . {in gaseous form}
2018/00875	. . . {Resistance or impedance}	18/06	. . caused by chemical reaction {, e.g. moxaburners}
2018/0088	. . . {Vibration}	2018/062	. . . {one of the reactants being oxygen}
2018/00886	. . . {Duration}	2018/064	. . . . {Moxaburners}
2018/00892	. . . {Voltage}	2018/066	. . . {one of the reactants being oxygen not from the air}
2018/00898	. . {Alarms or notifications created in response to an abnormal condition}	2018/068	. . . {none of the reactants being oxygen}
2018/00904	. . {Automatic detection of target tissue}	18/08	. . by means of electrically-heated probes
2018/0091	. {Handpieces of the surgical instrument or device}	18/082	. . . {Probes or electrodes therefor}
2018/00916	. . {with means for switching or controlling the main function of the instrument or device}	18/085	. . . . {Forceps, scissors}
2018/00922	. . . {by switching or controlling the treatment energy directly within the hand-piece}	2018/087	. . . . {using semiconductors as heating element}
2018/00928	. . . {by sending a signal to an external energy source}	18/10	. . . Power sources therefor
2018/00934	. . . . {the signal being non electric, e.g. pneumatic, hydraulic, optical}	18/12	. . by passing a current through the tissue to be heated, e.g. high-frequency current
2018/0094	. . . {Types of switches or controllers}	18/1206	. . . {Generators therefor}
2018/00946	. . . . {slidable}	2018/1213	. . . . {creating an arc}
2018/00952	. . . . {rotatable}	2018/122	. . . . {ionizing, with corona}
2018/00958	. . . {for switching between different working modes of the main function}	2018/1226	. . . . {powered by a battery}
2018/00964	. {Features of probes}	18/1233	. . . . {with circuits for assuring patient safety}
2018/0097	. . {Cleaning probe surfaces}	2018/124	. . . . {switching the output to different electrodes, e.g. sequentially}
2018/00976	. . . {with scraping means}	2018/1246	. . . . {characterised by the output polarity}
2018/00982	. {combined with or comprising means for visual or photographic inspections inside the body, e.g. endoscopes}	2018/1253	. . . . {monopolar}
2018/00988	. {Means for storing information, e.g. calibration constants, or for preventing excessive use, e.g. usage, service life counter}	2018/126	. . . . {bipolar}
2018/00994	. {combining two or more different kinds of non-mechanical energy or combining one or more non-mechanical energies with ultrasound}	2018/1266	. . . . {with DC current output}
18/02	. by cooling, e.g. cryogenic techniques (devices for cooling specific reflex points of the body within cell-life limits A61H 39/06)	2018/1273	. . . . {including multiple generators in one device}
18/0206	. . {ultrasonic, e.g. for destroying tissue or enhancing freezing}	2018/128	. . . . {generating two or more frequencies}
2018/0212	. . {using an instrument inserted into a body lumen, e.g. catheter}	2018/1286	. . . . {having a specific transformer}
18/0218	. . {with open-end cryogenic probe, e.g. for spraying fluid directly on tissue or via a tissue-contacting porous tip}	2018/1293	. . . . {having means to prevent interference}
2018/0225	. . {using an instrument for clamping tissue, e.g. forceps}	18/14	. . . Probes or electrodes therefor
2018/0231	. . {Characteristics of handpieces or probes}	18/1402	. . . . {Probes for open surgery}
2018/0237	. . . {with a thermoelectric element in the probe for cooling purposes}	2018/1405	. . . . {Electrodes having a specific shape}
2018/0243	. . . . {cooling of the hot side of the junction, e.g. heat sink}	2018/1407	. . . . {Loop}
2018/025	. . . . . {by circulating liquid}	2018/141	. . . . . {Snare}
2018/0256	. . . . . {by circulating gas, e.g. air}	2018/1412	. . . . . {Blade}
2018/0262	. . . {using a circulating cryogenic fluid}	2018/1415	. . . . . {multiple blades}
		2018/1417	. . . . . {Ball}
		2018/142	. . . . . {at least partly surrounding the target, e.g. concave, curved or in the form of a cave}
		2018/1422	. . . . . {Hook}
		2018/1425	. . . . . {Needle}
		2018/1427	. . . . . {with a beveled end}
		2018/143	. . . . . {multiple needles}
		2018/1432	. . . . . {curved}
		2018/1435	. . . . . {Spiral}

2018/1437	. . . . .	{whereby the windings of the spiral touch each other such as to create a continuous surface}	2018/1838	. . . . .	{Dipole antennas}
2018/144	. . . . .	{Wire}	2018/1846	. . . . .	{Helical antennas}
18/1442	. . . . .	{Probes having pivoting end effectors, e.g. forceps}	2018/1853	. . . . .	{Monopole antennas}
18/1445	. . . . .	{at the distal end of a shaft, e.g. forceps or scissors at the end of a rigid rod}	2018/1861	. . . . .	{with an instrument inserted into a body lumen or cavity, e.g. a catheter}
18/1447	. . . . .	{wherein sliding surfaces cause opening/closing of the end effectors}	2018/1869	. . . . .	{with an instrument interstitially inserted into the body, e.g. needles}
2018/145	. . . . .	{wherein the effectors remain parallel during closing and opening}	2018/1876	. . . . .	{with multiple frequencies}
2018/1452	. . . . .	{including means for cutting (A61B 2018/146 takes precedence)}	2018/1884	. . . . .	{with non-uniform emissions}
2018/1455	. . . . .	{having a moving blade for cutting tissue grasped by the jaws}	2018/1892	. . . . .	{Details of electrical isolations of the antenna}
2018/1457	. . . . .	{having opposing blades cutting tissue grasped by the jaws, i.e. combined scissors and pliers}	18/20	. . . . .	using laser
2018/146	. . . . .	{Scissors}	2018/2005	. . . . .	{with beam delivery through an interstitially insertable device, e.g. needle}
2018/1462	. . . . .	{Tweezers}	18/201	. . . . .	{with beam delivery through a hollow tube, e.g. forming an articulated arm (through a flexible conduit A61B 18/22); Hand-pieces therefor}
2018/1465	. . . . .	{Deformable electrodes}	2018/2015	. . . . .	{Miscellaneous features}
2018/1467	. . . . .	{using more than two electrodes on a single probe}	2018/202	. . . . .	{Laser enclosed in a hand-piece}
2018/147	. . . . .	{Electrodes transferring energy by capacitive coupling, i.e. with a dielectricum between electrode and target tissue}	2018/2023	. . . . .	{Self-contained devices, i.e. with power supply in the hand-piece}
2018/1472	. . . . .	{for use with liquid electrolyte, e.g. virtual electrodes}	2018/2025	. . . . .	{with a pilot laser}
2018/1475	. . . . .	{Electrodes retractable in or deployable from a housing}	18/203	. . . . .	{applying laser energy to the outside of the body}
18/1477	. . . . .	{Needle-like probes}	2018/2035	. . . . .	{Beam shaping or redirecting; Optical components therefor (A61B 2018/2255 takes precedence)}
18/148	. . . . .	{having a short, rigid shaft for accessing the inner body transcutaneously, e.g. for neurosurgery or arthroscopy}	2018/20351	. . . . .	{Scanning mechanisms}
18/1482	. . . . .	{having a long rigid shaft for accessing the inner body transcutaneously in minimal invasive surgery, e.g. laparoscopy}	2018/20353	. . . . .	{Scanning in three dimensions [3D]}
18/1485	. . . . .	{having a short rigid shaft for accessing the inner body through natural openings}	2018/20355	. . . . .	{Special scanning path or conditions, e.g. spiral, raster or providing spot overlap}
18/1487	. . . . .	{Trocac-like, i.e. devices producing an enlarged transcutaneous opening}	2018/20357	. . . . .	{by movable optical fibre end}
18/149	. . . . .	{bow shaped or with rotatable body at cantilever end, e.g. for resectoscopes, or coagulating rollers}	2018/20359	. . . . .	{by movable mirrors, e.g. galvanometric}
18/1492	. . . . .	{having a flexible, catheter-like structure, e.g. for heart ablation (A61B 18/1477 takes precedence)}	2018/20361	. . . . .	{with redirecting based on sensed condition, e.g. tissue analysis or tissue movement}
2018/1495	. . . . .	{Electrodes being detachable from a support structure}	2018/204	. . . . .	{Attenuators}
2018/1497	. . . . .	{Electrodes covering only part of the probe circumference}	2018/2045	. . . . .	{Choppers}
18/16	. . . . .	Indifferent or passive electrodes for grounding	2018/205	. . . . .	{with electronic means, e.g. acousto-optic}
2018/162	. . . . .	{located on the probe body}	2018/2055	. . . . .	{with mechanical means}
2018/165	. . . . .	{Multiple indifferent electrodes}	2018/20553	. . . . .	{with special lens or reflector arrangement (A61B 2018/2255 , A61B 2018/2261 , A61B 2018/2266 , A61B 2018/2272 , A61B 2018/2277 , A61B 2018/2283 take precedence)}
2018/167	. . . . .	{Passive electrodes capacitively coupled to the skin}	2018/20554	. . . . .	{Arrangements for particular intensity distribution, e.g. tophat}
18/18	. . . . .	by applying electromagnetic radiation, e.g. microwaves (radiation therapy A61N 5/00)	2018/205545	. . . . .	{Arrangements for particular spot shape, e.g. square or annular}
2018/1807	. . . . .	{using light other than laser radiation}	2018/205547	. . . . .	{Controller with specific architecture or programmatic algorithm for directing scan path, spot size or shape, or spot intensity, fluence or irradiance}
18/1815	. . . . .	{using microwaves}	2018/206	. . . . .	{the laser light passing along a liquid-filled conduit}
2018/1823	. . . . .	{Generators therefor}	2018/2065	. . . . .	{Multiwave; Wavelength mixing, e.g. using four or more wavelengths (pilot laser A61B 2018/2025)}
2018/183	. . . . .	{characterised by the type of antenna}	2018/207	. . . . .	{mixing two wavelengths}
			2018/2075	. . . . .	{mixing three wavelengths}
			2018/208	. . . . .	{with multiple treatment beams not sharing a common path, e.g. non-axial or parallel}
			18/22	. . . . .	the beam being directed along or through a flexible conduit, e.g. an optical fibre; {Couplings or} hand-pieces therefor

2018/2205	. . . . .	{Characteristics of fibres}	34/20	. . . . .	Surgical navigation systems; Devices for tracking or guiding surgical instruments, e.g. for frameless stereotaxis
2018/2211	. . . . .	{Plurality of fibres}	2034/2046	. . . . .	{Tracking techniques}
2018/2216	. . . . .	{Braided or helically wound}	2034/2048	. . . . .	{using an accelerometer or inertia sensor}
2018/2222	. . . . .	{Fibre material or composition}	2034/2051	. . . . .	{Electromagnetic tracking systems}
2018/2227	. . . . .	{Hollow fibres}	2034/2053	. . . . .	{Tracking an applied voltage gradient}
2018/2233	. . . . .	{Solid transparent for far infrared light}	2034/2055	. . . . .	{Optical tracking systems}
2018/2238	. . . . .	{with means for selectively laterally deflecting the tip of the fibre}	2034/2057	. . . . .	{Details of tracking cameras}
2018/2244	. . . . .	{Features of optical fibre cables, e.g. claddings}	2034/2059	. . . . .	{Mechanical position encoders}
2018/2247	. . . . .	{Fibre breakage detection}	2034/2061	. . . . .	{using shape-sensors, e.g. fiber shape sensors with Bragg gratings}
2018/225	. . . . .	{Features of hand-pieces (A61B 2018/2255 takes precedence)}	2034/2063	. . . . .	{Acoustic tracking systems, e.g. using ultrasound}
2018/2253	. . . . .	{characterised by additional functions, e.g. surface cooling or detecting pathological tissue}	2034/2065	. . . . .	{Tracking using image or pattern recognition}
2018/2255	. . . . .	{Optical elements at the distal end of probe tips}	2034/2068	. . . . .	{using pointers, e.g. pointers having reference marks for determining coordinates of body points}
2018/2261	. . . . .	{with scattering, diffusion or dispersion of light}	2034/207	. . . . .	{Divots for calibration}
2018/2266	. . . . .	{with a lens, e.g. ball tipped}	2034/2072	. . . . .	{Reference field transducer attached to an instrument or patient}
2018/2272	. . . . .	{with reflective or refractive surfaces for deflecting the beam (A61B 2018/2261 , A61B 2018/2266 take precedence)}	2034/2074	. . . . .	{Interface software}
2018/2277	. . . . .	{with refractive surfaces}	34/25	. . . . .	{User interfaces for surgical systems}
2018/2283	. . . . .	{with pivotable mirrors}	2034/252	. . . . .	{indicating steps of a surgical procedure}
2018/2285	. . . . .	{with removable, replaceable, or exchangeable tips}	2034/254	. . . . .	{being adapted depending on the stage of the surgical procedure}
2018/22853	. . . . .	{Means to identify tip configuration}	2034/256	. . . . .	{having a database of accessory information, e.g. including context sensitive help or scientific articles}
2018/2288	. . . . .	{the optical fibre cable having a curved distal end}	2034/258	. . . . .	{providing specific settings for specific users}
2018/2294	. . . . .	{with a diffraction grating}	34/30	. . . . .	Surgical robots
18/24	. . . . .	with a catheter (A61B 18/26 , A61B 18/28 take precedence)	2034/301	. . . . .	{for introducing or steering flexible instruments inserted into the body, e.g. catheters or endoscopes}
18/245	. . . . .	{for removing obstructions in blood vessels or calculi}	2034/302	. . . . .	{specifically adapted for manipulations within body cavities, e.g. within abdominal or thoracic cavities}
18/26	. . . . .	for producing a shock wave, e.g. laser lithotripsy	2034/303	. . . . .	{specifically adapted for manipulations within body lumens, e.g. within lumen of gut, spine, or blood vessels}
2018/263	. . . . .	{the conversion of laser energy into mechanical shockwaves taking place in a liquid}	2034/304	. . . . .	{including a freely orientable platform, e.g. so called 'Stewart platforms'}
2018/266	. . . . .	{the conversion of laser energy into mechanical shockwaves taking place in a part of the probe}	2034/305	. . . . .	{Details of wrist mechanisms at distal ends of robotic arms}
18/28	. . . . .	for heating a thermal probe or absorber	2034/306	. . . . .	{Wrists with multiple vertebrae}
34/00		Computer-aided surgery; Manipulators or robots specially adapted for use in surgery	34/32	. . . . .	operating autonomously
34/10	. . . . .	Computer-aided planning, simulation or modelling of surgical operations	34/35	. . . . .	for telesurgery
2034/101	. . . . .	{Computer-aided simulation of surgical operations}	34/37	. . . . .	Master-slave robots (A61B 34/35 takes precedence)
2034/102	. . . . .	{Modelling of surgical devices, implants or prosthesis}	34/70	. . . . .	{Manipulators specially adapted for use in surgery}
2034/104	. . . . .	{Modelling the effect of the tool, e.g. the effect of an implanted prosthesis or for predicting the effect of ablation or burring}	34/71	. . . . .	{Manipulators operated by drive cable mechanisms}
2034/105	. . . . .	{Modelling of the patient, e.g. for ligaments or bones}	2034/715	. . . . .	{Cable tensioning mechanisms for removing slack}
2034/107	. . . . .	{Visualisation of planned trajectories or target regions}	34/72	. . . . .	{Micromanipulators}
2034/108	. . . . .	{Computer aided selection or customisation of medical implants or cutting guides}	34/73	. . . . .	{Manipulators for magnetic surgery}
			2034/731	. . . . .	{Arrangement of the coils or magnets}
			2034/732	. . . . .	{arranged around the patient, e.g. in a gantry}
			2034/733	. . . . .	{arranged only on one side of the patient, e.g. under a table}
			34/74	. . . . .	{Manipulators with manual electric input means}
			2034/741	. . . . .	{Glove like input devices, e.g. "data gloves"}

- 2034/742 . . . {Joysticks}
- 2034/743 . . . {Keyboards}
- 2034/744 . . . {Mouse}
- 34/75 . . {Manipulators having means for prevention or compensation of hand tremors}
- 34/76 . . {Manipulators having means for providing feel, e.g. force or tactile feedback}
- 34/77 . . {Manipulators with motion or force scaling}
- 42/00 Surgical gloves; Finger-stalls specially adapted for surgery; Devices for handling or treatment thereof**
- 42/10 . Surgical gloves
- 42/20 . Finger-stalls specially adapted for surgery
- 42/30 . Devices for detecting perforations, leaks or tears
- 42/40 . Packages or dispensers
- 42/50 . Devices for putting-on or removing
- 42/60 . Devices for cleaning, washing, drying or powdering
- 46/00 Surgical drapes**
- 46/10 . specially adapted for instruments{, e.g. microscopes}
- 46/13 . . the drapes entering the patient's body
- 46/17 . . . closed at the distal end
- 46/20 . specially adapted for patients
- 2046/201 . . {for extremities, e.g. having collection pouch}
- 2046/205 . . {Adhesive drapes}
- 46/23 . . with means to retain or hold surgical implements
- 2046/234 . . . {with means for retaining a catheter}
- 2046/236 . . . {with means for collecting drain fluid, e.g. drain tubes}
- 46/27 . . tubular, e.g. for arms or legs ([A61B 46/13 takes precedence](#))
- 46/30 . {for surgery through the lower body openings, e.g. urology, gynaecology}
- 46/40 . {Drape material, e.g. laminates; Manufacture thereof}
- 50/00 Containers, covers, furniture or holders specially adapted for surgical or diagnostic appliances or instruments, e.g. sterile covers (drapes specially adapted for instruments [A61B 46/10](#))**
- 2050/001 . {Temperature-modifying means}
- 2050/0014 . . {Cooling means}
- 2050/0016 . . {Heating means}
- 2050/0017 . . . {Chemical heating}
- 2050/0018 . . . {Electric heating}
- 2050/002 . {having adhesive means, e.g. an adhesive strip}
- 2050/005 . {with a lid or cover}
- 2050/0051 . . {closable by rotation}
- 2050/0052 . . . {of two concentric cylinders with corresponding lateral openings, about their common longitudinal axis}
- 2050/0053 . . . {of two concentric parallelepipeds about a common longitudinal axis}
- 2050/0054 . . . {about the central longitudinal axis perpendicular to the lid plane}
- 2050/0055 . . . {about a lateral axis perpendicular to the lid plane}
- 2050/0056 . . . {about a lateral axis in the lid plane}
- 2050/0057 . . . {about a transverse axis in the lid plane}
- 2050/0058 . . {closable by translation}
- 2050/0059 . . . {parallel to the lid plane}
- 2050/006 . . . {perpendicular to the lid plane, e.g. by a downward movement}
- 2050/0061 {the height of the lid being adjustable with respect to the casing sidewalls}
- 2050/0062 . . {closable by a combination of rotation and translation}
- 2050/0063 . . . {Bayonet coupling}
- 2050/0064 . . . {by screwing}
- 2050/0065 . . {Peelable cover}
- 2050/0066 . . {with additional sealing means, e.g. O-ring}
- 2050/0067 . . {Types of closures or fasteners}
- 2050/0068 . . . {Cooperating dimples}
- 2050/0069 . . . {Press-buttons}
- 2050/007 . . . {Locking clamps}
- 2050/0071 . . . {Draw-strings}
- 2050/0072 . . . {Plugs, e.g. rubber plugs}
- 2050/0073 . . . {Ties}
- 2050/0074 . . . {Toggle latches or clamps}
- 2050/0075 . . . {Swingable wire bails or handles}
- 2050/0076 . . . {having additional locking means}
- 2050/0078 . . . {having additional unlocking means}
- 2050/0079 . . . {Magnetic closures}
- 2050/008 . . . {Pegs inserted, e.g. forced, into openings}
- 2050/0081 . . . {Pins cooperating with slots of a slideable locking bar}
- 2050/0082 . . . {Rib-and-groove connection}
- 2050/0083 . . . {Snap connection}
- 2050/0084 . . . {Tabs inserted into slots}
- 2050/0085 . . . {Hook and loop}
- 2050/0086 . . . {closed by or under vacuum}
- 2050/0087 . . . {closed in two steps}
- 2050/0088 . . . {Zip}
- 2050/0089 . . {having permanent closure means}
- 2050/009 . . . {having additional means for temporarily preventing said permanent closure}
- 50/10 . Furniture specially adapted for surgical or diagnostic appliances or instruments
- 2050/105 . . {Cabinets}
- 50/13 . . Trolleys{, e.g. carts}
- 50/15 . . Mayo stands; Tables
- 2050/155 . . . {Mayo stands}
- 50/18 . . Cupboards; Drawers therefor
- 2050/185 . . . {Drawers}
- 50/20 . Holders specially adapted for surgical or diagnostic appliances or instruments ([drapes with means to hold surgical instruments \[A61B 46/23\]\(#\); for catheters \[A61M 25/02\]\(#\)](#))
- 2050/21 . . {Magnetic holders}
- 50/22 . . Racks
- 50/24 . . Stands ([Mayo stands \[A61B 50/15\]\(#\)](#))
- 50/26 . . . floor-based
- 50/28 . . . suspended from the ceiling
- 50/30 . Containers specially adapted for packaging, protecting, dispensing, collecting or disposing of surgical or diagnostic appliances or instruments ([for wound clamps \[A61B 17/10\]\(#\); for ligaturing clips \[A61B 17/122\]\(#\); packages or dispensers for surgical gloves or finger-stalls \[A61B 42/40\]\(#\)](#))
- 50/3001 . . {for sharps}
- 2050/3002 . . . {including foam blocks for retaining sharps}
- 2050/3004 . . {containing desiccant means, e.g. desiccant pouches}
- 2050/3005 . . {containing a preservative liquid, e.g. an antiseptic liquid}
- 2050/3006 . . {Nested casings}

2050/3007	. . {Stackable casings}	2090/0463	. . {against cooling or freezing}
2050/3008	. . {having multiple compartments}	2090/0472	. . {against ultrasound energy}
2050/3009	. . {having means for connecting similar adjacent containers}	2090/0481	. . {against EM radiation, e.g. microwave}
2050/301	. . {carried on the medical practitioner's clothing or back}	2090/049	. . {against light, e.g. laser}
2050/3011	. . {having carrying handles}	90/05	. {Splash shields for protection of the surgeon, e.g. splash guards connected to the apparatus (A41D 13/11 takes precedence)}
2050/3012	. . . {Wrist hangers}	90/06	. {Measuring instruments not otherwise provided for}
2050/3013	. . {having means for automatically ejecting the stored article}	2090/061	. . {for measuring dimensions, e.g. length}
2050/3014	. . {waterproof}	2090/062	. . {penetration depth}
2050/3015	. . {transparent}	2090/063	. . {for measuring volume}
50/31	. . Carrying cases or bags, e.g. doctors' bags	2090/064	. . {for measuring force, pressure or mechanical tension}
2050/311	. . . {Cases}	2090/065	. . . {for measuring contact or contact pressure}
50/312	. . . {Doctors' or nurses' bags}	2090/066	. . . {for measuring torque}
2050/314	. . {Flexible bags or pouches}	2090/067	. . {for measuring angles}
2050/316	. . . {double- or multiple-walled}	2090/068	. . . {with a bubble level}
2050/318	. . . {Multi-pouches, e.g. strips of side-by-side pouches}	2090/069	. . . {using a plummet or weight}
50/33	. . Trays	90/08	. {Accessories or related features not otherwise provided for}
50/34	. . Baskets	2090/0801	. . {Prevention of accidental cutting or pricking}
50/36	. . for collecting or disposing of used articles	2090/08021	. . . {of the patient or his organs}
50/362	. . . {for sharps}	2090/0803	. . {Counting the number of times an instrument is used}
2050/364	. . . . {having additional means for destroying used sharps}	2090/0804	. . {Counting number of instruments used; Instrument detectors}
50/37	. . . for absorbent articles, e.g. bandages, garments, swabs or towels	2090/0805	. . . {automatically, e.g. by means of magnetic, optical or photoelectric detectors}
2050/375	. . . . {for sponges}	2090/0806	. . . {Instrument detectors with a removable part, e.g. working tip}
50/39	. . . the containers containing antimicrobial, antiviral or disinfectant agents	2090/0807	. . {Indication means}
90/00	Instruments, implements or accessories specially adapted for surgery or diagnosis and not covered by any of the groups A61B 1/00 - A61B 50/00, e.g. for luxation treatment or for protecting wound edges (protective face masks A41D 13/11; surgeon's or patient's gowns or dresses A41D 13/12; devices for carrying-off, for treatment of, or for carrying-over, body liquids A61M 1/00)	2090/0808	. . . {for indicating correct assembly of components, e.g. of the surgical apparatus}
90/02	. {Devices for expanding tissue, e.g. skin tissue (implements for holding wounds open, surgical tractors A61B 17/02 ; implantable mammary prosthesis A61F 2/12 ; dilators A61M 29/00)}	2090/0809	. . . {Indication of cracks or breakages}
90/03	. {Automatic limiting or abutting means, e.g. for safety}	2090/081	. . . {for contamination or dirt}
2090/031	. . {torque limiting}	2090/0811	. . . {for the position of a particular part of an instrument with respect to the rest of the instrument, e.g. position of the anvil of a stapling instrument}
2090/032	. . {pressure limiting, e.g. hydrostatic}	2090/0812	. . . . {indicating loosening or shifting of parts of an instrument, signaling maladjustment of parts}
2090/033	. . {Abutting means, stops, e.g. abutting on tissue or skin}	2090/0813	. . {Accessories designed for easy sterilising, i.e. re-usable}
2090/034	. . . {abutting on parts of the device itself}	2090/0814	. . {Preventing re-use}
2090/035	. . . . {preventing further rotation}	2090/0815	. . {Implantable devices for insertion in between organs or other soft tissues}
2090/036	. . . {abutting on tissue or skin}	2090/0816	. . . {for preventing adhesion}
2090/037	. . {with a frangible part, e.g. by reduced diameter}	2090/0817	. . {Spatulas or spatula like extensions}
2090/038	. . {during shipment}	2090/0818	. . {Redundant systems, e.g. using two independent measuring systems and comparing the signals}
90/04	. {Protection of tissue around surgical sites against effects of non-mechanical surgery, e.g. laser surgery (protection of eyes against laser radiation A61F 9/022)}	90/10	. for stereotaxic surgery, e.g. frame-based stereotaxis
2090/0409	. . {Specification of type of protection measures}	2090/101	. . {for stereotaxic radiosurgery}
2090/0418	. . . {Compensation}	2090/103	. . {Cranial plugs for access to brain}
2090/0427	. . . {Prevention of contact}	90/11	. . with guides for needles or instruments, e.g. arcuate slides or ball joints
2090/0436	. . . {Shielding}	90/13	. . . guided by light, e.g. laser pointers
2090/0445	. . . . {by absorption}	90/14	. . Fixators for body parts, e.g. skull clamps; Constructional details of fixators, e.g. pins
2090/0454	. . . . {by reflection}	90/16	. . . Bite blocks
		90/17	. . . for soft tissue, e.g. breast-holding devices
		90/18	. . . Retaining sheets, e.g. immobilising masks {made from a thermoplastic material}

90/20	. Surgical microscopes characterised by non-optical aspects	2090/395	. . . {with marking agent for marking skin or other tissue}
90/25	. . Supports therefor	2090/3954	. . {magnetic, e.g. NMR or MRI}
90/30	. Devices for illuminating a surgical field, the devices having an interrelation with other surgical devices or with a surgical procedure	2090/3958	. . . {emitting a signal}
2090/304	. . {using chemi-luminescent materials}	2090/3962	. . {palpable}
2090/306	. . {using optical fibres}	2090/3966	. . {Radiopaque markers visible in an X-ray image}
2090/308	. . {Lamp handles}	2090/397	. . {electromagnetic other than visible, e.g. microwave}
2090/309	. . {using white LEDs}	2090/3975	. . . {active}
90/35	. . Supports therefor	2090/3979	. . . . {infrared}
90/36	. {Image-producing devices or illumination devices not otherwise provided for}	2090/3983	. . {Reference marker arrangements for use with image guided surgery}
90/361	. . {Image-producing devices, e.g. surgical cameras}	2090/3987	. . {Applicators for implanting markers}
2090/3612	. . . {with images taken automatically}	2090/3991	. . {having specific anchoring means to fixate the marker to the tissue, e.g. hooks}
2090/3614	. . . {using optical fibre}	2090/3995	. . {Multi-modality markers}
2090/3616	. . . {Magnifying glass}	90/40	. Apparatus fixed or close to patients specially adapted for providing an aseptic surgical environment
2090/3618	. . . {with a mirror}	2090/401	. . {using air flow}
2090/363	. . {Use of fiducial points}	90/50	. Supports for surgical instruments, e.g. articulated arms
2090/364	. . {Correlation of different images or relation of image positions in respect to the body}	2090/502	. . {Headgear, e.g. helmet, spectacles}
2090/365	. . . {augmented reality, i.e. correlating a live optical image with another image}	2090/5025	. . {with a counter-balancing mechanism}
2090/366	. . . {using projection of images directly onto the body}	2090/504	. . . {with a counterweight}
2090/367	. . . {creating a 3D dataset from 2D images using position information}	2090/506	. . {using a parallelogram linkage, e.g. pantograph}
2090/368	. . . {changing the image on a display according to the operator's position}	2090/508	. . {with releasable brake mechanisms}
90/37	. . {Surgical systems with images on a monitor during operation}	90/53	. . connected to the surgeon's body, e.g. by a belt
2090/371	. . . {with simultaneous use of two cameras}	90/57	. . Accessory clamps
2090/372	. . . {Details of monitor hardware}	2090/571	. . . {for clamping a support arm to a bed or other supports}
2090/373	. . . {using light, e.g. by using optical scanners}	90/60	. Supports for surgeons, e.g. chairs or hand supports (seats for dentists or surgeons associated with dental chairs or operating chairs A61G 15/00)
2090/3735	. . . . {Optical coherence tomography [OCT]}	90/70	. Cleaning devices specially adapted for surgical instruments
2090/374	. . . {NMR or MRI}	2090/701	. . {for flexible tubular instruments, e.g. endoscopes}
2090/376	. . . {using X-rays, e.g. fluoroscopy}	2090/702	. . {Devices for testing the cleaning process, e.g. test soils}
2090/3762	. . . . {using computed tomography systems [CT]}	90/80	. Implements for cleaning or washing the skin of surgeons or patients
2090/3764	. . . . . {with a rotating C-arm having a cone beam emitting source}	90/90	. Identification means for patients or instruments, e.g. tags
2090/378	. . . {using ultrasound}	90/92	. . coded with colour
2090/3782	. . . . {transmitter or receiver in catheter or minimal invasive instrument}	90/94	. . coded with symbols, e.g. text
2090/3784	. . . . . {both receiver and transmitter being in the instrument or receiver being also transmitter}	90/96	. . . using barcodes
2090/3786	. . . . . {receiver only}	90/98	. . using electromagnetic means, e.g. transponders
2090/3788	. . . . . {transmitter only}		
90/39	. {Markers, e.g. radio-opaque or breast lesions markers}		
2090/3904	. . {specially adapted for marking specified tissue}		
2090/3908	. . . {Soft tissue, e.g. breast tissue}		
2090/3912	. . . {Body cavities}		
2090/3916	. . . {Bone tissue}		
2090/392	. . {Radioactive markers}		
2090/3925	. . {ultrasonic}		
2090/3929	. . . {Active markers}		
2090/3933	. . {Liquid markers}		
2090/3937	. . {Visible markers}		
2090/3941	. . . {Photoluminescent markers}		
2090/3945	. . . {Active visible markers, e.g. light emitting diodes}		
		2217/00	General characteristics of surgical instruments
		2217/002	. Auxiliary appliance
		2217/005	. . with suction drainage system
		2217/007	. . with irrigation system
		Diagnosis; Psycho-physical tests	
		2218/00	Details of surgical instruments, devices or methods for transferring non-mechanical forms of energy to or from the body

- 2218/001 . . . having means for irrigation and/or aspiration of substances to and/or from the surgical site ([A61B 2018/00029](#) and [A61B 2018/1472](#) take precedence)
- 2218/002 . . . Irrigation
- 2218/003 using a spray or a foam
- 2218/005 using gas or vapor, e.g. for protection or purging
- 2218/006 for smoke evacuation
- 2218/007 . . . Aspiration
- 2218/008 for smoke evacuation
- 2503/00 Evaluating a particular growth phase or type of persons or animals**
- 2503/02 . . . Foetus
- 2503/04 . . . Babies, e.g. for SIDS detection
- 2503/045 . . . Newborns, e.g. premature baby monitoring
- 2503/06 . . . Children, e.g. for attention deficit diagnosis
- 2503/08 . . . Elderly
- 2503/10 . . . Athletes
- 2503/12 . . . Healthy persons not otherwise provided for, e.g. subjects of a marketing survey
- 2503/20 . . . Workers
- 2503/22 . . . Motor vehicles operators, e.g. drivers, pilots, captains
- 2503/24 . . . Computer workstation operators
- 2503/40 . . . Animals
- 2503/42 . . . for laboratory research
- 2505/00 Evaluating, monitoring or diagnosing in the context of a particular type of medical care**
- 2505/01 . . . Emergency care
- 2505/03 . . . Intensive care
- 2505/05 . . . Surgical care
- 2505/07 . . . Home care
- 2505/09 . . . Rehabilitation or training
- 2560/00 Constructional details of operational features of apparatus; Accessories for medical measuring apparatus**
- 2560/02 . . . Operational features
- 2560/0204 of power management
- 2560/0209 adapted for power saving
- 2560/0214 of power generation or supply
- 2560/0219 of externally powered implanted units
- 2560/0223 of calibration, e.g. protocols for calibrating sensors
- 2560/0228 using calibration standards
- 2560/0233 Optical standards
- 2560/0238 Means for recording calibration data
- 2560/0242 adapted to measure environmental factors, e.g. temperature, pollution
- 2560/0247 for compensation or correction of the measured physiological value
- 2560/0252 using ambient temperature
- 2560/0257 using atmospheric pressure
- 2560/0261 using hydrostatic pressure
- 2560/0266 for monitoring or limiting apparatus function
- 2560/0271 using a remote monitoring unit
- 2560/0276 Determining malfunction
- 2560/028 Arrangements to prevent overuse, e.g. by counting the number of uses
- 2560/0285 Apparatus for single use
- 2560/029 adapted for auto-initiation
- 2560/0295 adapted for recording user messages or annotations
- 2560/04 . . . Constructional details of apparatus
- 2560/0406 specially shaped apparatus housings
- 2560/0412 Low-profile patch shaped housings
- 2560/0418 Pen-shaped housings
- 2560/0425 Ergonomically shaped housings ([A61B 2560/0418](#) takes precedence)
- 2560/0431 Portable apparatus, e.g. comprising a handle or case
- 2560/0437 Trolley or cart-type apparatus
- 2560/0443 Modular apparatus
- 2560/045 with a separable interface unit, e.g. for communication
- 2560/0456 Apparatus provided with a docking unit
- 2560/0462 Apparatus with built-in sensors
- 2560/0468 Built-in electrodes
- 2560/0475 Special features of memory means, e.g. removable memory cards
- 2560/0481 in implanted apparatus
- 2560/0487 Special user inputs or interfaces
- 2560/0493 controlled by voice
- 2560/06 . . . Accessories for medical measuring apparatus
- 2560/063 Devices specially adapted for delivering implantable medical measuring apparatus
- 2560/066 catheters therefor
- 2562/00 Details of sensors; Constructional details of sensor housings or probes; Accessories for sensors**
- 2562/02 . . . Details of sensors specially adapted for in-vivo measurements
- 2562/0204 Acoustic sensors
- 2562/0209 Special features of electrodes classified in [A61B 5/24](#), [A61B 5/25](#), [A61B 5/283](#), [A61B 5/291](#), [A61B 5/296](#), [A61B 5/053](#)
- 2562/0214 Capacitive electrodes
- 2562/0215 Silver or silver chloride containing
- 2562/0217 Electrolyte containing
- 2562/0219 Inertial sensors, e.g. accelerometers, gyroscopes, tilt switches
- 2562/0223 Magnetic field sensors
- 2562/0228 Microwave sensors
- 2562/0233 Special features of optical sensors or probes classified in [A61B 5/00](#)
- 2562/0238 Optical sensor arrangements for performing transmission measurements on body tissue
- 2562/0242 for varying or adjusting the optical path length in the tissue
- 2562/0247 Pressure sensors
- 2562/0252 Load cells
- 2562/0257 Proximity sensors
- 2562/0261 Strain gauges
- 2562/0266 Optical strain gauges
- 2562/0271 Thermal or temperature sensors
- 2562/0276 comprising a thermosensitive compound
- 2562/028 Microscale sensors, e.g. electromechanical sensors [MEMS]
- 2562/0285 Nanoscale sensors
- 2562/029 Humidity sensors

- 2562/0295 . . Strip shaped analyte sensors for apparatus classified in [A61B 5/145](#) or [A61B 5/157](#) (disposable multilayered or laminated electrodes [G01N 27/307](#); details of handling chemical test elements [G01N 33/4875](#))
- 2562/04 . Arrangements of multiple sensors of the same type
- 2562/043 . . in a linear array
- 2562/046 . . in a matrix array
- 2562/06 . Arrangements of multiple sensors of different types
- 2562/063 . . in a linear array
- 2562/066 . . in a matrix array
- 2562/08 . Sensors provided with means for identification, e.g. barcodes or memory chips
- 2562/085 . . combined with means for recording calibration data
- 2562/12 . Manufacturing methods specially adapted for producing sensors for in-vivo measurements
- 2562/125 . . characterised by the manufacture of electrodes
- 2562/14 . Coupling media or elements to improve sensor contact with skin or tissue
- 2562/143 . . for coupling microwaves
- 2562/146 . . for optical coupling
- 2562/16 . Details of sensor housings or probes; Details of structural supports for sensors ([A61B 2560/0462](#) takes precedence)
- 2562/162 . . Capsule shaped sensor housings, e.g. for swallowing or implantation
- 2562/164 . . the sensor is mounted in or on a conformable substrate or carrier
- 2562/166 . . the sensor is mounted on a specially adapted printed circuit board
- 2562/168 . . Fluid filled sensor housings
- 2562/17 . . Comprising radiolucent components
- 2562/18 . Shielding or protection of sensors from environmental influences, e.g. protection from mechanical damage
- 2562/182 . . Electrical shielding, e.g. using a Faraday cage
- 2562/185 . . Optical shielding, e.g. baffles
- 2562/187 . . Strain relief means
- 2562/22 . Arrangements of medical sensors with cables or leads; Connectors or couplings specifically adapted for medical sensors
- 2562/221 . . Arrangements of sensors with cables or leads, e.g. cable harnesses
- 2562/222 . . . Electrical cables or leads therefor, e.g. coaxial cables or ribbon cables
- 2562/223 . . . Optical cables therefor
- 2562/224 . . . Cables for conducting fluids therefor
- 2562/225 . . Connectors or couplings
- 2562/226 . . . comprising means for identifying the connector, e.g. to prevent incorrect connection to socket
- 2562/227 . . . Sensors with electrical connectors
- 2562/228 . . . Sensors with optical connectors
- 2562/24 . Hygienic packaging for medical sensors; Maintaining apparatus for sensor hygiene
- 2562/242 . . Packaging, i.e. for packaging the sensor or apparatus before use
- 2562/245 . . Means for cleaning the sensor in-situ or during use, e.g. hygienic wipes
- 2562/247 . . Hygienic covers, i.e. for covering the sensor or apparatus during use
- 2576/00 **Medical imaging apparatus involving image processing or analysis** ([A61B 1/00009](#), [A61B 6/52](#) and [A61B 8/52](#) take precedence; image processing *per se* [G06T](#); details of algorithms for analysing medical images [G06T 7/0012](#))
- 2576/02 . specially adapted for a particular organ or body part
- 2576/023 . . for the heart
- 2576/026 . . for the brain