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### 36 kHz Ultrasonic Surgical Horns

### for Endoscopic-Nasal Approaches to Brain Tumors

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#### **Outline:**

- Background
  - Ultrasonic surgical aspirators and clinical applications
  - Modified Kleesattel Gaussian (Ampulla) horn basis and references
- Generation of new horn profiles
  - 1-D physical mathematical models
- Solid Model FEM (Finite Element Method)
  - 3-D Mechanica analysis and simulation
  - Essential to modeling and simulation of complex contours with asymmetric geometries
  - Half model approach utilizing constraints and a base excitation
  - Full model approach utilizing a forcing function with damping and no artificial constraints
  - Stroke typically predicted with 3 µm or 2 % error
  - SaberTip stroke predicted within 8 µm or 6.5 % error
  - Both methods of FEM analysis indicate allowed stress at or below baseline surgical horns employed for 10 years
  - Allowed stress about 1/3 yield strength of materials
  - Resonant frequency target attained in fabrication
- Results
- Summary and Conclusions

#### Background on Ultrasonic Surgical Aspirators

#### **Ultrasonic Surgical Aspirators and Horns (Tips):**

- Removal of tumors and diseased tissue in neurosurgery, general surgery, gynecological, liver, spine, and some orthopedic applications
- CUSA EXcel utilizing 15 horns (surgical tips) of 36 kHz and 23 kHz, and these horns have been used in surgical applications for 10 to 30 years
- Polymer irrigation flue surrounding the horn and two pre-aspiration holes located in proximity to the distal end
- Continuous circuit of cooling irrigation liquid
- Dilute blood and further wet aspirated tissue
- Prevent coagulation and occlusion





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# **Newly Released Surgical Tips**

- Extended MicroTip Plus
  - Supports the fullest extent of brain surgery through the nose in endoscopic-nasal, transsphenoidal, or neuroendoscopy approaches
- SaberTip
  - Cutting or abrading bone encountered given approaches to deeper regions of the brain, extending openings in bony cavities, or sectioning bone to reveal underlying surgical sites



# **36 kHz Extended MicroTip Plus**



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- As abrasive pad angle becomes greater, surgical tip must be angled greater to normalize to bone surface, and the 10° inverse cone is a compromise
- Avoids protrusions and sharp edges that may present a greater hazard in insertion
- Smooth contours and pyramids nearly fully formed but dull, like a knurl
- Smooth contour of distal end and local major diameter of exponential aid in parting soft tissue in the approach to the surgical site
- Pre-aspiration holes enable use in other than vertically down orientation
- Combines bone tip functionality with an aspirating surgical tip

### **Background:**

- Endoscopic-Nasal Surgery in sphenoid sinus region using SaberTip
- Creating a cavity to aid in reduction of cranial pressure
- Removal of bone on dura
- Viewed with endoscope via second nostril



## FEM Solid Model - 36 kHz Transducer



- Nominally, 35,750 Hz target resonant frequency
- Resonant system: core-stack, button, connecting body, and tip (horn)

# Horn (Surgical Tip)



### **Gaussian Horn Area Function**



### **Gaussian Horn Profile**



## **Gaussian Horn Profile**



x (mm)



After Kleesattel, where  $\omega$  is angular frequency,  $C_g$  is the acoustic velocity,  $L_{tip}$  is the length of the tip, and  $f_i$  is the resonant frequency

### **1-D Physical-Mathematical Modeling**



## **1-D Physical-Mathematical Modeling**



# FEM Solid Model - 36 kHz Transducer and SaberTip

# **Solid Model**



### **Design Frequency Analysis Excitation Approaches**

### Half Model with Base Excitation

- Half model approach utilizes constraints and a base excitation
- Constraints are needed to support analysis of the half model and to couple in a base acceleration excitation
- Constraints prevent movement of the material across the cut plane of the half model, thereby ensuring the model is not violated
- Vibration inducing acceleration is coupled to the component or assembly under evaluation via the constraints
- CUSA ultrasonic controller provides closed-loop control of the stroke of the transducer core-stack
- Displacement established at 5 µm peak (stroke of 10 µm peak-peak)
- Acceleration used in the base excitation is established to provide this magnitude of core-stack displacement
- Setting core-stack displacement can generally be accomplished on the second pass of the analysis using a simple linear adjustment

### **Design Frequency Analysis Excitation Approaches**

### **Full Model with Forcing Function**

- Full model approach utilizes a forcing function with damping and no artificial constraints
- Force employed is that magnitude of nodal force (980 N) provided by the 36 kHz transducer at 100% stroke amplitude
- Damping in forcing function established to provide controlled magnitude of core-stack displacement 5 µm peak (stroke of 10 µm peak-peak)
- Enables full motion of the components and assembly to be evaluated independent of artificial constraints
- Constraints could mask modes that contribute to errant motion
- Constraints contribute to artificially high frequency in modal analysis and higher stresses: constraints make component appear stiffer
- Half model still executed to save time in initial analysis and because design of the baseline horns utilized this approach
- Half model indicates dominant modes (4 or 5 allowed frequencies for horns discussed) in broadband analysis (10 kHz – 50 kHz)
- Full model analysis executed with narrow band about resonance

### **Design Frequency Analysis Excitation Approaches**



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### **Global Approach for Mechanica Analysis**

#### Half Model

- Broadband Modal Analysis
  - Yields dominant nodes
- Design Frequency Analysis
  - Base excitation or forcing function (halve force)
  - Yields peak displacements, stresses, strains, etc
  - Faster execution with narrower band (< 1 hr)</li>
  - Iterative design-analysis
- Master Interval Analysis
  - About resonance
  - Query of displacements, stresses, strains, etc
  - Unambiguous view of interior stress concentrations, mechanical gain, etc

### **Full Model – Forcing Function**

- Narrow Band Modal Analysis
  - Yields many modes for review
- Design Frequency Analysis
  - Forcing function with damping
  - Execution time (e.g., less than 2 hr)
  - Assurance of resonant peak displacement and stress data
  - At frequency steps and over analysis
  - By component and selected geometry
- Master Interval Analysis
  - About resonance, taking 3-5 hours
  - Simulation of motion, stress and strain distribution, and data query
  - Unambiguous view of mechanical gain, stress concentrations, node and anti-node locations, and confirmation of nodal forces

### **Design Frequency Analysis - 36 kHz SaberTip**

36 kHz SaberTip - Half Model Surface Constraints





### **Design Frequency Analysis - 36 kHz SaberTip**

36 kHz SaberTip - Full Model, Forcing Function



### Master Interval Analysis - 36 kHz SaberTip

# **Displacement at Resonance**



### Master Interval Analysis - 36 kHz SaberTip



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# **Simulation of Horn Displacement at Resonance**



## 36 kHz Extended Standard Tip: Mechanica Simulation of Displacement



### 36 kHz Extended Standard Tip: Mechanica Simulation of Stress





### **Master Interval Design Frequency Analysis**

- Simulations exhibiting spatial distribution of stress
- Dynamic query afforded
- Shows uniform strain of Gaussian profile
- Maintain strain over greatest Gaussian length allowed by frequency



#### **Master Interval Design Frequency Analysis**

- Strain contributing to mechanical gain of the horn is low enough when encountering the stress concentrating pre-aspiration holes to keep the maximum hole stress within acceptable limits
- Maximum stress in the horn is not at the pre-aspiration holes

#### Master Interval Analysis - 36 kHz Extended Standard Tip

36 kHz Extended Standard Tip - Full Mode Forcing Function



# 36 kHz Transducer and Extended MicroTip Plus





# Summary of Finite Element Analysis – 36 kHz SaberTip

	SaberTip Forcing Function	SaberTip Base Excitation Surface Constraints	MicroTip Forcing Function Baseline	MicroTip Base Excitation Surface Constraints Baseline	
Stack Displacement peak (µm)	5	5	5	5	- Normalized
Stack Acceleration (m/s <sup>2</sup> )	272 x10 <sup>3</sup>	295 x10 <sup>3</sup>	267 x10 <sup>3</sup>	287 x10 <sup>3</sup>	
Horn von Mises Stress (MPa)	252	317	252	319	<ul> <li>Maintained</li> </ul>
Horn Stroke peak-peak (µm)	117	124	178	193	- Simulated
Horn Acceleration (m/s <sup>2</sup> )	3.09x10 <sup>6</sup>	3.43 x10 <sup>6</sup>	4.65 x10 <sup>6</sup>	5.18 x10 <sup>6</sup>	
Resonant Frequency (Hz)	36,925	37,362	36,614	36,938	
Input Forcing Function (N)	978	-	978	-	
Input Damping (%)	3.483	-	2.7	-	
Input Acceleration (m/s <sup>2</sup> )	-	192	-	275	

## **Electromechanical Data on Fabricated Horns**

Measured Results		Voltage	Current	Power	Frequency	Stroke (p-p)		
Horn		(V <sub>RMS</sub> )	(A <sub>RMS</sub> )	(Watts)	(kHz)	(µm)		
Extended MicroTip Baseline	Average	31	1.30	30	35.70	178	]←	Actual
	StdDev	2	0.07	2	0.01	2.5		
SaberTip	Average	23	0.80	17	35.79	125	-	Actual
Initially, 50 Samples	StdDev	0.5	0.03	0.4	0.05	0.4		

### **Summary of Finite Element Analysis – Extended MicroTip Plus**

	Extended MicroTip Plus Forcing Function	Extended MicroTip Plus Base Excitation Surface Constraints	Extended Standard Tip Forcing Function	Extended Standard Tip Base Excitation Surface Constraints	
Stack Displacement peak (µm)	5	5	5	5	<ul> <li>Normalized</li> </ul>
Stack Acceleration (m/s <sup>2</sup> )	272 x10 <sup>3</sup>	277 x10 <sup>3</sup>	272 x10 <sup>3</sup>	277 x10 <sup>3</sup>	
Horn von Mises Stress (MPa)	211	240	249	297	<ul> <li>Maintained</li> </ul>
Hole von Mises Stress (MPa)	168	155	212	191	
Horn Stroke peak-peak (µm)	peak-peak (µm) 142		142	147	<ul> <li>Simulated</li> </ul>
Horn Acceleration (m/s <sup>2</sup> )	3.81 x10 <sup>6</sup>	3.99 x10 <sup>6</sup>	3.78 x10 <sup>6</sup>	3.99 x10 <sup>6</sup>	
Resonant Frequency (Hz)	36,745	37,078	36,873	37,172	
Input Forcing Function (N) 978		-	978	-	
Input Damping (%)	1.755	-	2.86	-	
Input Acceleration (m/s <sup>2</sup> )	-	1954	-	234	

## **Electromechanical Data on Fabricated Horns**

Measured Results		Voltage	Current	Power	Frequency	Stroke (p-p)		
Horn		(V <sub>RMS</sub> )	(A <sub>RMS</sub> )	(Watts)	(kHz)	(μm)		
Extended MicroTip Plus	Average	34	1.31	32	35.78	145	_	Actual
Initially, 21 Samples	StdDev	1	0.01	1	0.04	2.54		
Extended Standard Tip	Average	-	-	-	35.75	145		Actual
Production data only	StdDev	-	-	-	-	-		

#### **Gaussian Profiles – Known Frequency Shift**

$\omega_{i} = \frac{C_{g}}{L_{tip}} \left( at \right)$	$ an\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\ln(N)}}\right) $	$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \sqrt{2\ln(1)}$	$\overline{N}$ ) $f_i = \frac{\omega_i}{2\pi}$	$N = \frac{S}{S}$	S <sub>g0</sub> (Area) S <sub>c</sub> (Area)	S <sub>gO</sub>				$ = S_c $
Frequency	/ A	B	<<< Minus 50 C	) Hz D	E	Plus 50 H F	lz>>> G	н	L	J
Adjustmen	ts Profile	Profile	Profile	Profile	Profile	Profile	Profile	Profile	Profile	Profile
	- 200 HZ				35,750 H	Z				+250 HZ
Mechanica Results		t <b>s</b> For	SaberTip Forcing Function		Extended MicroTip Plus Forcing Function		Extended Standard Tip Forcing Function		Extend Micro Forcing Fu Baseli	ded Tip unction ine
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#### • Frequency "shift" expected

- Designed for resonance at 100% amplitude and quiescent operating conditions
- FEM results more comparable to low-power spectrum analysis of system
- Reduction in stiffness at quiescent operating point, incomplete model of joint compliance, geometry, case attachments, elastic properties, etc
- Consistency for transducers and "family" of horns supports prediction for initial manufacturing, as noted for the four 36 kHz examples shown and also in 23 kHz prototypes
- Multiple profiles afford adjustments and support known titanium material properties variance
- Complete FEM at extremes of profiles and modal frequency analysis for all columns

# Summary:

- Solid Model FEM (Finite Element Method)
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  - Both methods of FEM analysis indicate allowed stress at or below baseline surgical horns employed for 10 years
  - Allowed stress about 1/3 yield strength of materials
  - Resonant frequency target attained in fabrication with aid of FEM results and known frequency shift
- Extensive successful verification and validation testing
  - Surgical tips released in April of 2006

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- Creating a cavity to aid in reduction of cranial pressure
- Removal of bone on dura



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