

Title (en)  
PREFERENTIALLY INSULATED ELECTRODES AND METHODS FOR USE IN A HOLLOW VISCOUS FILLED WITH A PHYSIOLOGIC FLUID

Title (de)  
VORZUGSWEISE ISOLIERTE ELEKTRODEN UND VERFAHREN ZUR VERWENDUNG DIESER ELEKTRODEN IN EINER, MIT  
PHYSIOLOGISCHER FLÜSSIGKEIT GEFÜLLTEN HOHLEN VISCERA

Title (fr)  
ELECTRODES DE PREFERENCE ISOLEES ET PROCEDE D'UTILISATION DE CES DERNIERES DANS UN VISCERE CREUX REMPLI DE  
LIQUIDE PHYSIOLOGIQUE

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[origin: WO9800070A1] The invention provides methods and apparatus for electro-surgically treating tissue within a hollow viscous which includes a physiologic fluid. According to one exemplary method, a surgical instrument (12) comprising an elongate shaft (16) having a proximal end, a distal end, and an active electrode (14) near the distal end, is introduced into the hollow viscous so that the active electrode is surrounded by the physiologic fluid. Current is then passed between the active electrode and a return electrode while focusing the current from the active electrode so that it passes through a desired region of tissue.

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