

Title (en)

APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CHARACTERIZATION OF A DUCTILE MEMBRANE, SURFACE AND SUB-SURFACE PROPERTIES

Title (de)

VORRICHTUNG UND VERFAHREN ZUR CHARAKTERISIERUNG EINER DUKTILEN MEMBRAN, OBERFLÄCHEN- UND  
UNTEROBERFLÄCHENEIGENSCHAFTEN

Title (fr)

APPAREIL ET PROCÉDÉ DE CARACTÉRISATION DE PROPRIÉTÉS D'UNE MEMBRANE DUCTILE, D'UNE SURFACE ET D'UNE SOUS-  
SURFACE

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[origin: WO2020013868A1] An ultrasound signal processor uses an excitation generator to cause displacement of a membrane or surface while a series of ultrasound pulses are applied to the membrane or surface. Phase differences between a transmitted signal and received signal are examined to determine the movement of the membrane or surface in response to the applied excitation. An examination of the phase response of the membrane or surface provides a determination as to whether the fluid type behind the membrane or surface is one of: no fluid, serum fluid, or purulent fluid.

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