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**INCOMPLETE SEARCH**

The Search Division considers that the present application, or some or all of its claims, does/do not comply with the EPC to such an extent that a meaningful search into the state of the art cannot be carried out, or can only be carried out partially, for the following claims:

Claims searched completely :

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Reason for the limitation of the search:

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Article 52 (4) EPC - Method for treatment of the human or animal body by surgery

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## 摘要(译)

超声波诊断装置具有超声波内窥镜，超声波观察部分，位置检测单元，监视器，键盘和鼠标。将与其平行的横截面设置为径向断层图像，在径向断层图像和横截面之间获得交叉线段，组合交叉线段，并生成路径断层图像。通过推进和返回径向扫描超声探头，很容易识别出在检查期间病变如何沿着腔部分扩散。此外，在检查期间，可以容易地识别在管腔部分中的哪个部分是在检查期间扫描。

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