

Prostate Cutting Device



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Overview

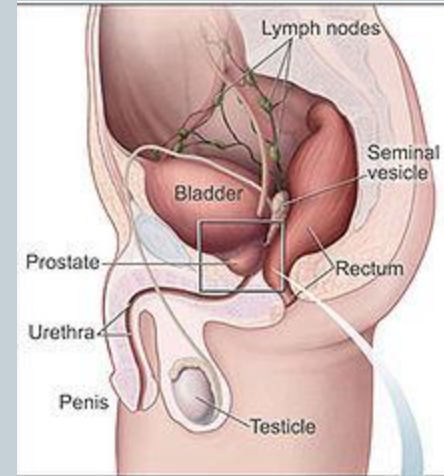


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Prostate Cancer



- Prostate assists in the male reproductive system
- Prostate cancer is the most common cancer present among men
- Enlarged Prostate (<100g)
- Treatments vary in success



This shows the prostate and nearby organs.

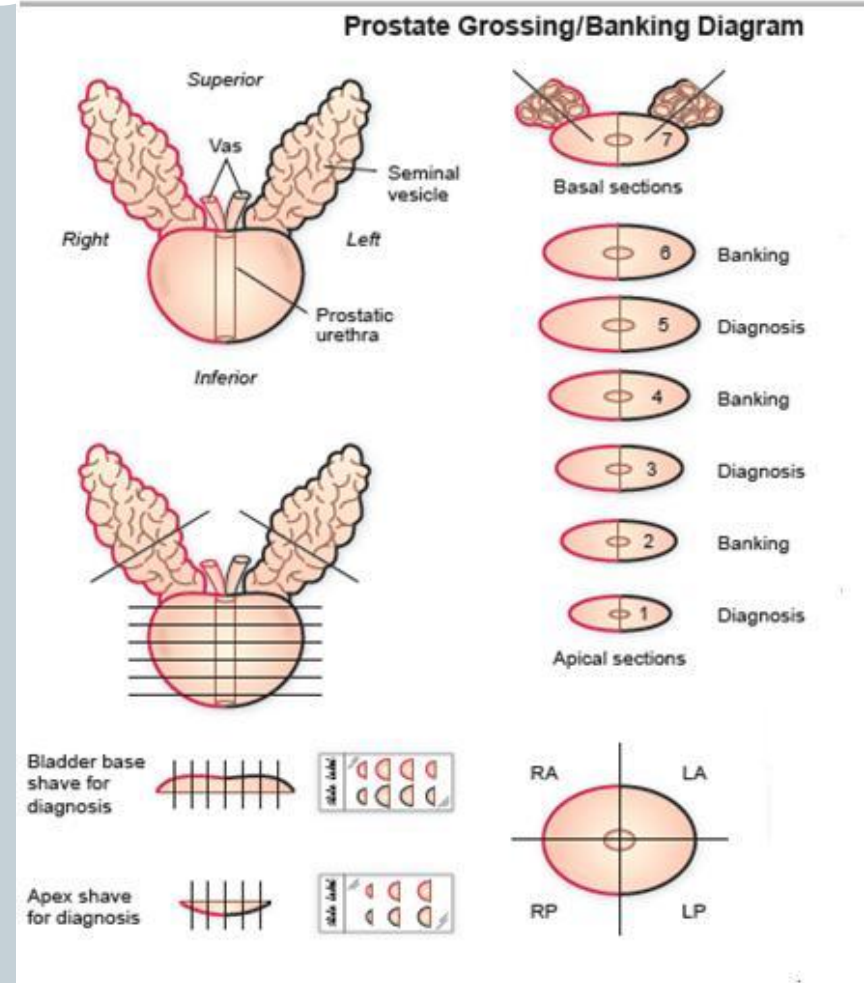


This shows the inside of the prostate, urethra, rectum, and bladder.

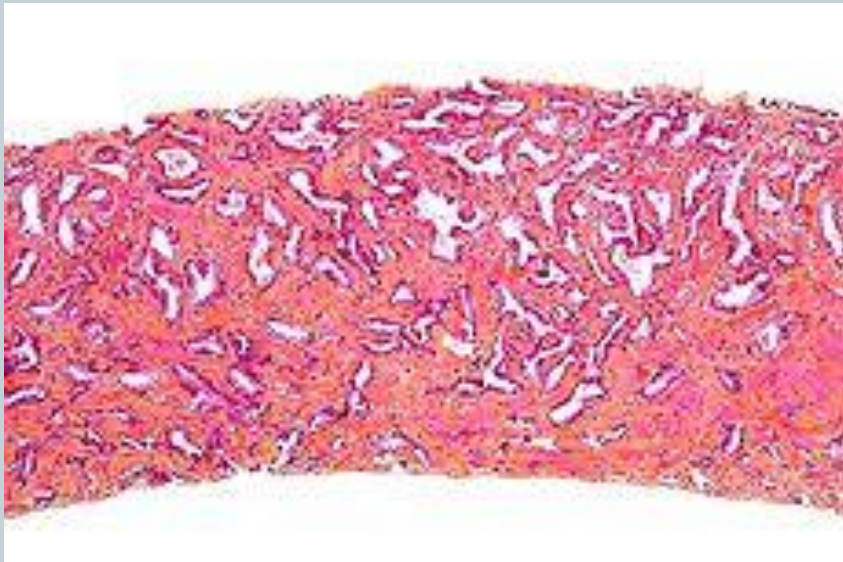
Pathological Analysis



- Prostate removed or biopsied
- Dyed
- ~3mm slices taken
- Grossing/Banking slices
- Allows for correct diagnosis and analysis of spread



Problem Statement



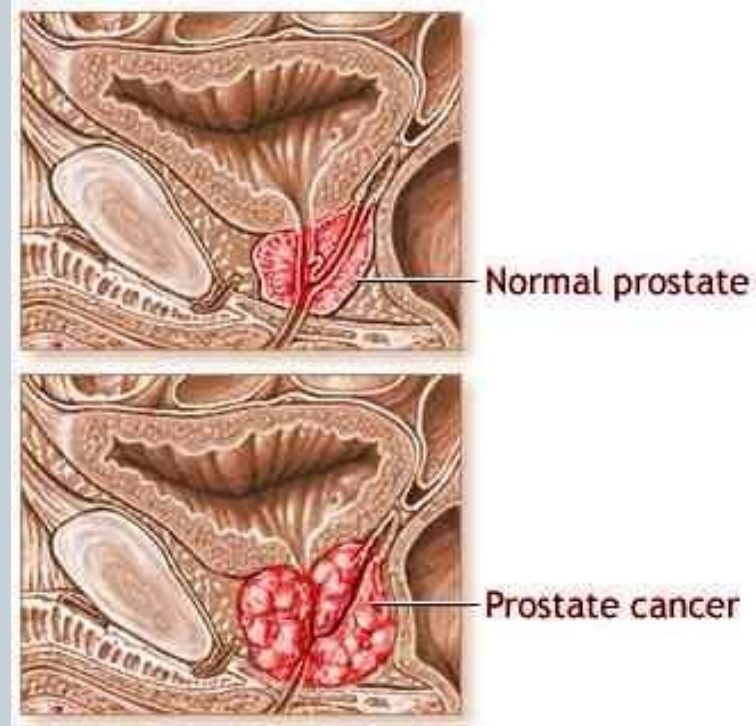
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prostate_cancer

- Current method: manual slicing with scalpel.
- Problems with accuracy, safety
- Project: Design cutting device to improve process

Client Requirements



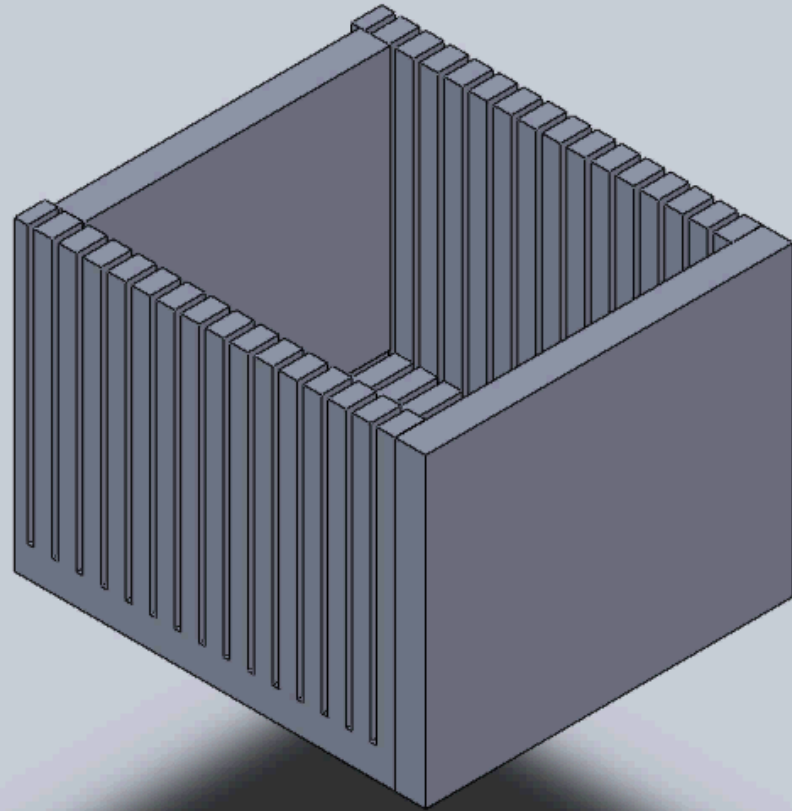
- Secures the prostate
- 3mm segments
- 3-4 slices
- Adjustable
- Margin intact



Snap-On Slider



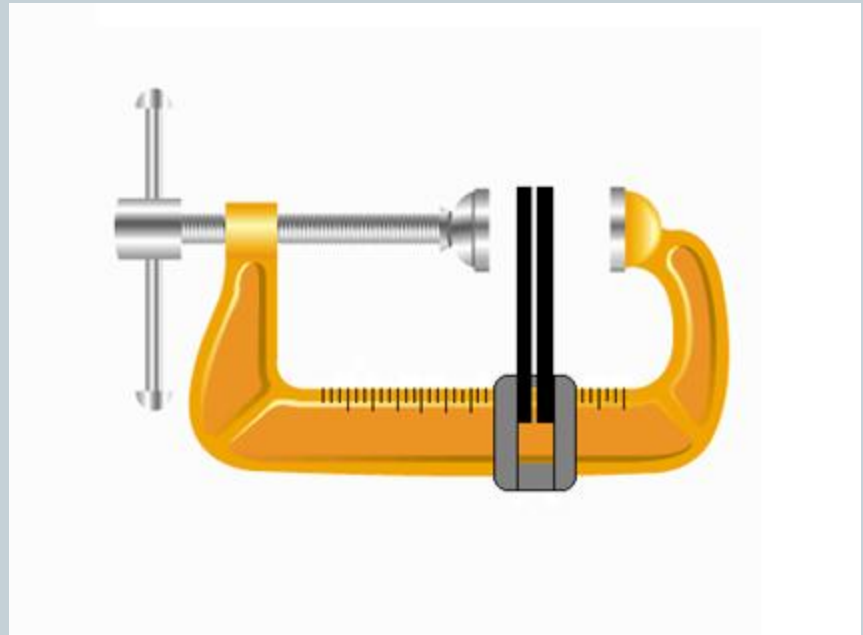
- Sliding wall
- 2-Sided blade guides
- Locking track on sides of base
- Does not conform to prostate shape



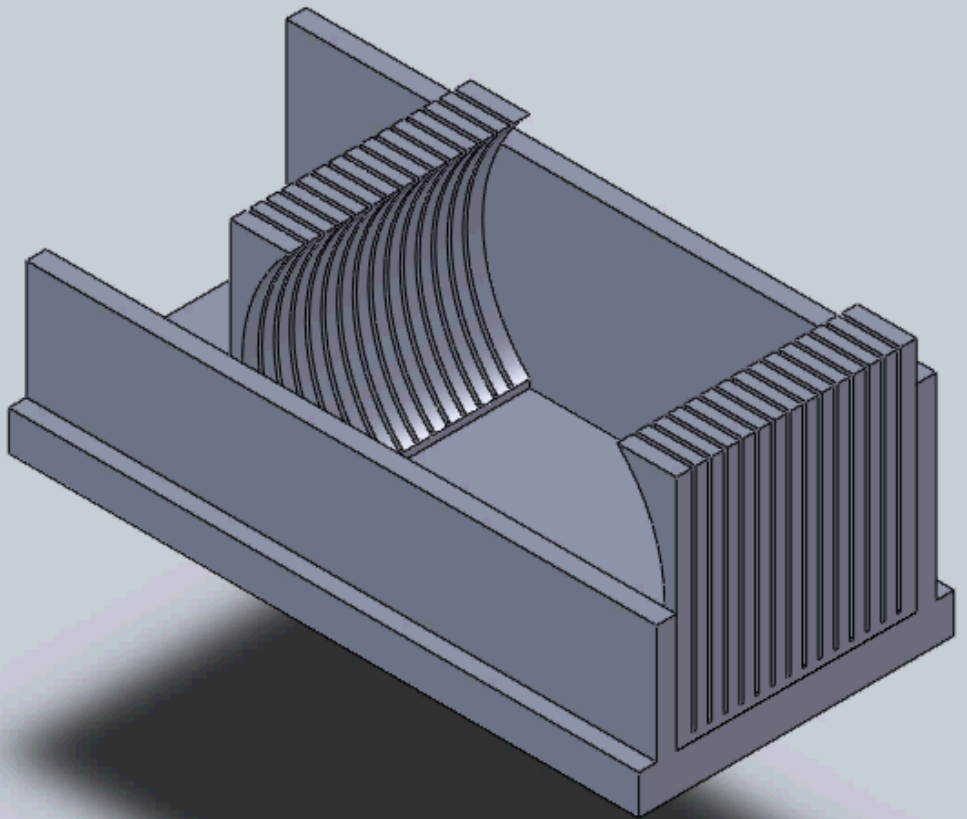
C-Clamp Cutter



- C-clamp for prostate size adjustment
- Sliding knife guide (surrounds prostate)
- Allows for adjustable slice thickness
- Prostate suspended – have to re-clamp for each slice



2-Comb Scoop



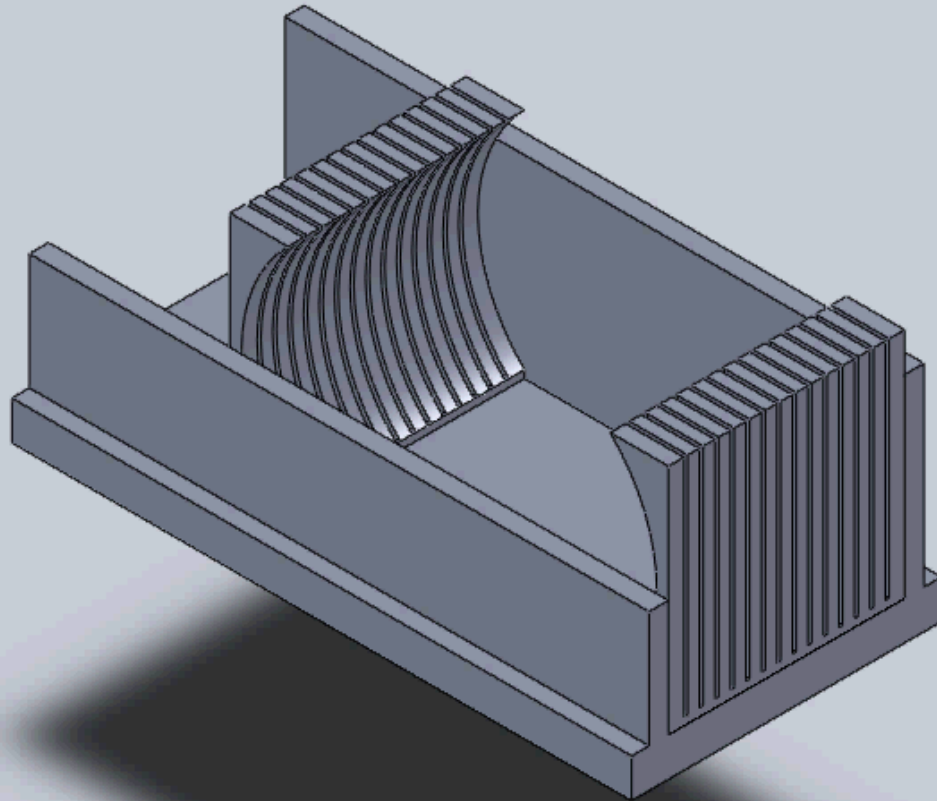
- Maximum security/stability
- Comb on track
- Scoops contour to shape of prostate

Design Matrix



	Safety (10)	Ease of Use (20)	Ease of Construction (15)	Aesthetics (5)	Precision (25)	Security (20)	Cost (5)	Total (100)
Snap-On Slider	9	16	12	5	23	15	3	83
2-Comb Scoop	9	17	9	5	23	19	3	85
C-Clamp Cutter	5	12	11	4	19	12	5	68

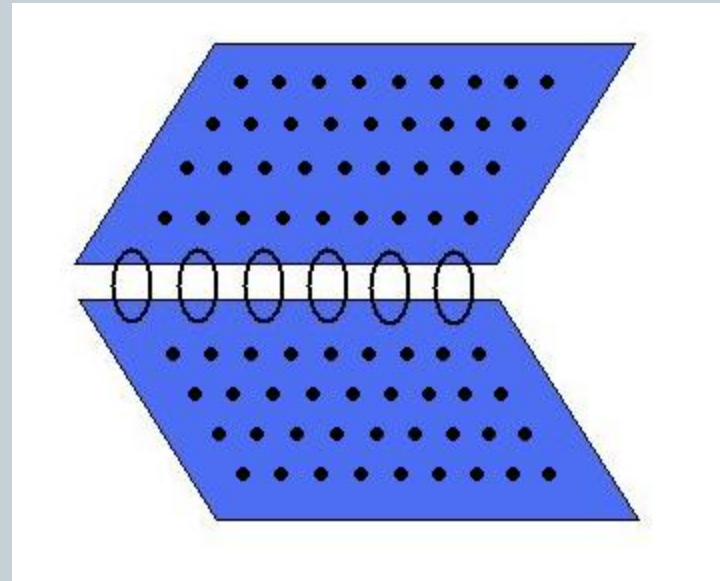
Final Design



Future Work



- Contract out for fabrication
 - CNC Mill
- Materials selection
- Accessory clamp



References and Acknowledgements



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