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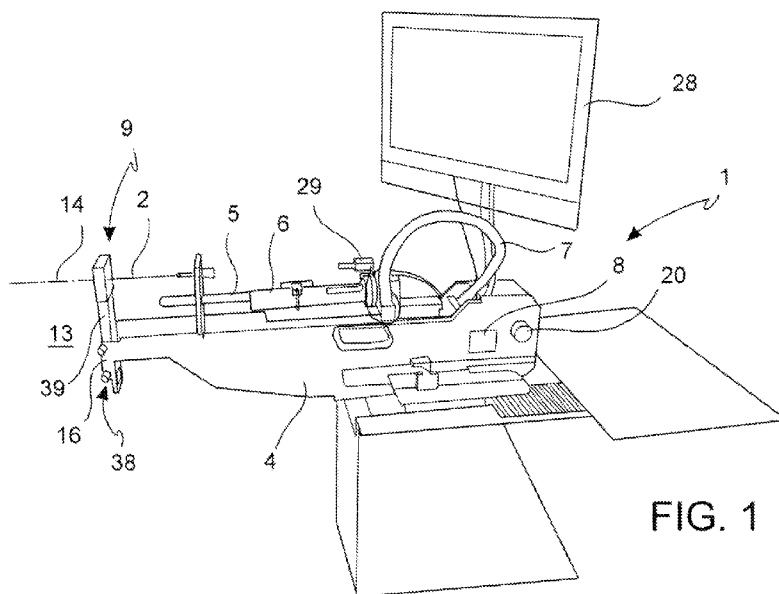


FIG. 1

(57) Abstract: An apparatus (1) for positioning a medical instrument (2) with respect to a target tissue (3) comprises reference means (9) with a plurality of guide channels (11) to allow the medical instrument (2) to pass in a guided manner, and a depth reference (33) the position of which with respect to the guide channels (11) can be adjusted in the guide direction (14) and can be fixated so as to provide an insertion end-of-stroke position of the medical instrument (2) in a selected channel (31) of the guide channels (11).

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