

Visualization and analysis of droplet dynamics at dental treatment situation

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Introduction

Aerosols and droplets generated during dental treatment have been implicated in the person-to-person transmission of viruses. There is current interest in understanding the mechanisms responsible for the spread of Covid-19 by these means.

After COVID-19 Pandemic

Experimental investigation & simulation
Aerosol dispersion and accumulation
Effect of masks and ventilation

Visualization for dynamics of aerosol particle: high impact for understanding

→ Experimental study for dental treatment and oral surgery

Purpose

- ✓ Analysis of the dynamic of the aerosol particle at dental treatment by an image-computing system using high-speed video camera
- ✓ Difference of dental devices at oral surgery
- ✓ Comparison between the area at incisors and molars

Materials & Methods

Instruments

Air turbine

Green Impulse, X-ML (GC)
Rotation; 300,000rpm



Ultrasonic bone cutting device

VarioSurg 3 (NSK)
Frequency; 28-32 kHz



Implant motor & handpiece

Surgic Pro (NSK)
Rotation; 1,200 rpm



Surgical intraoral evacuator

Diameter: 3mm



Position

Patient model:
Reclining position (180degree)

Microparticle Visualization and Measurement

High-speed video camera

Fastscan Mini AX (Photron)
1024X1024 pixels, 6,400fps



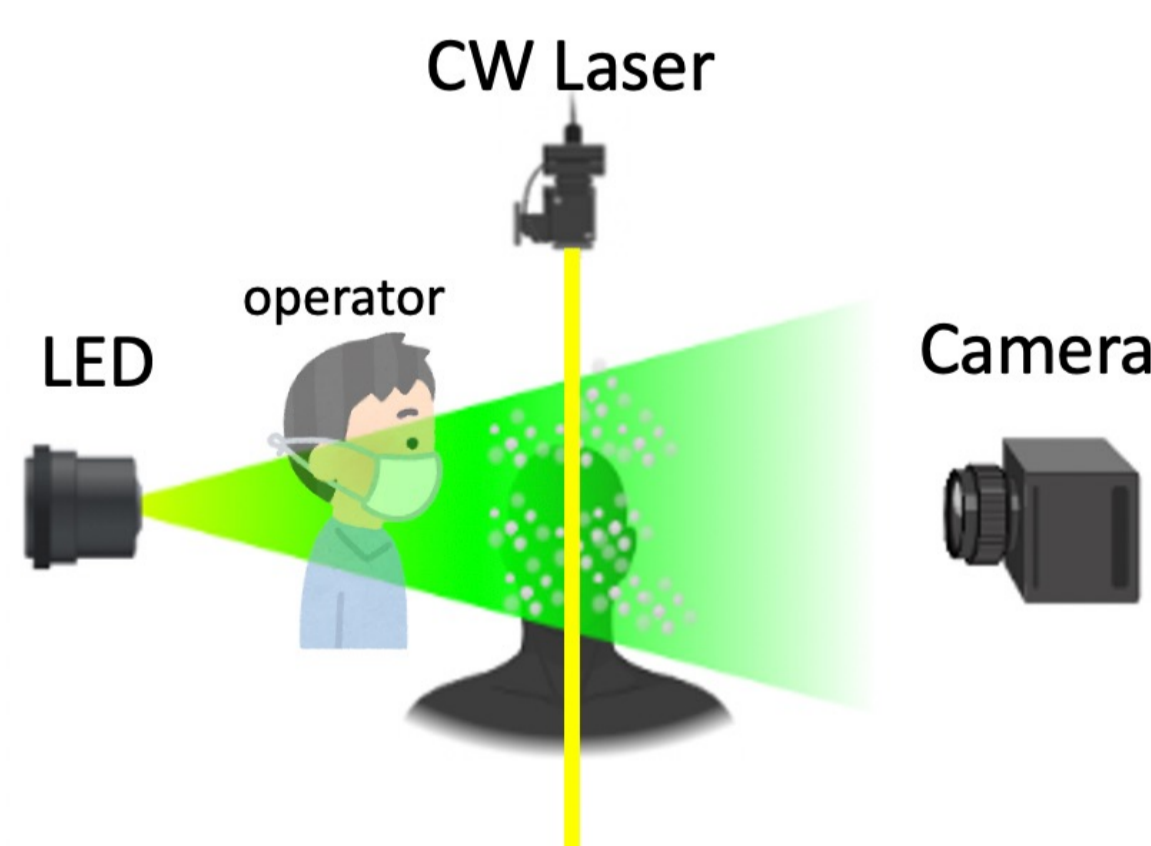
LED Illuminator

IL-105/6X
(HARDsoft Microprocessor Systems)
CWL : 528nm, Power : 4.3W



CW Laser

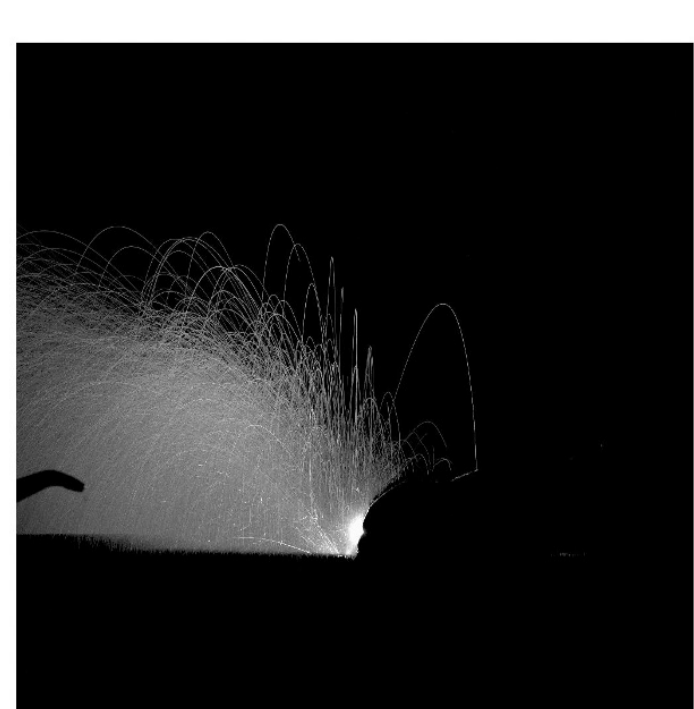
Ventus 532 (Laser Quantum)
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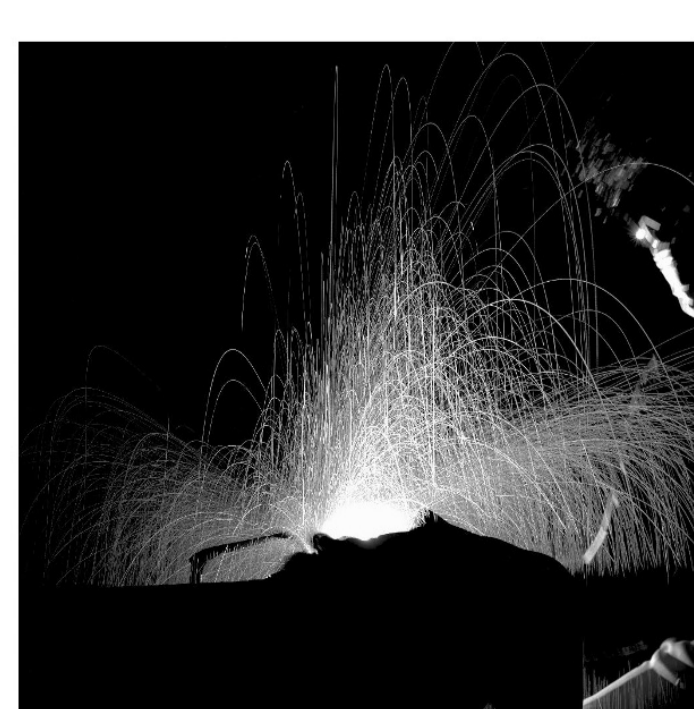
Shooting time; 20 seconds

Results

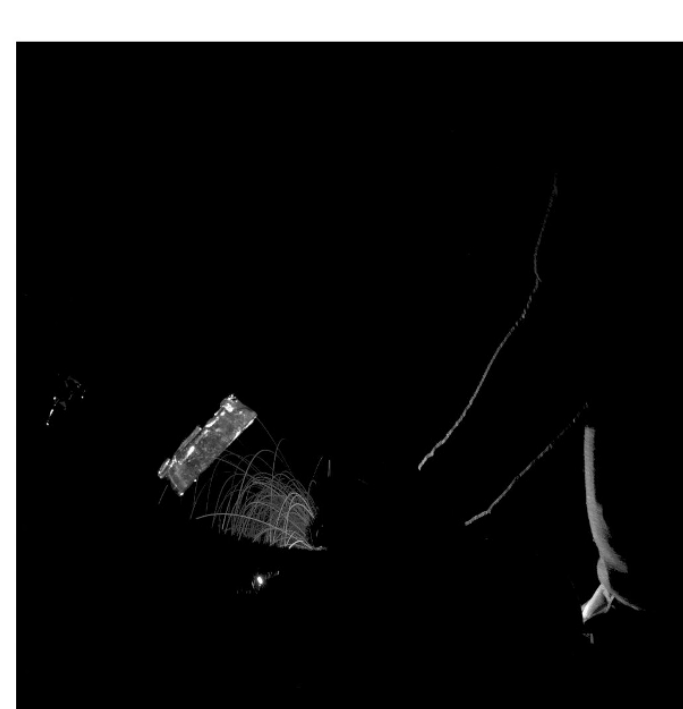
LED Laser Area: Mand. Incisors



Air turbine



Ultrasonic bone cutting device

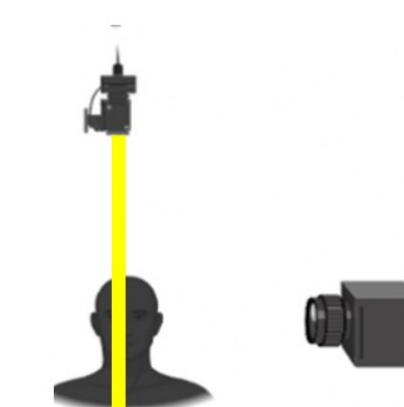


Implant motor

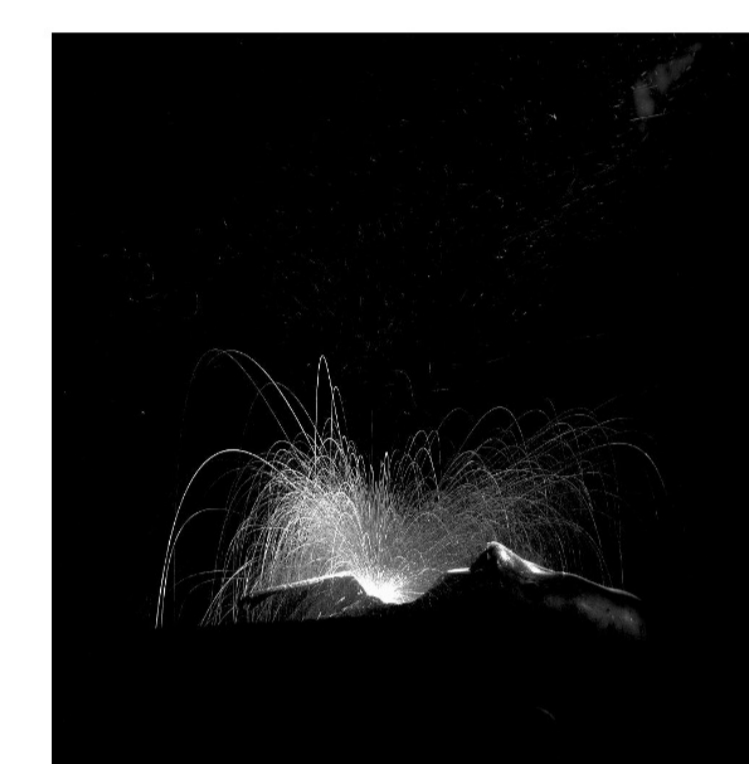
Results

CW Laser

Area: Mand. Incisors



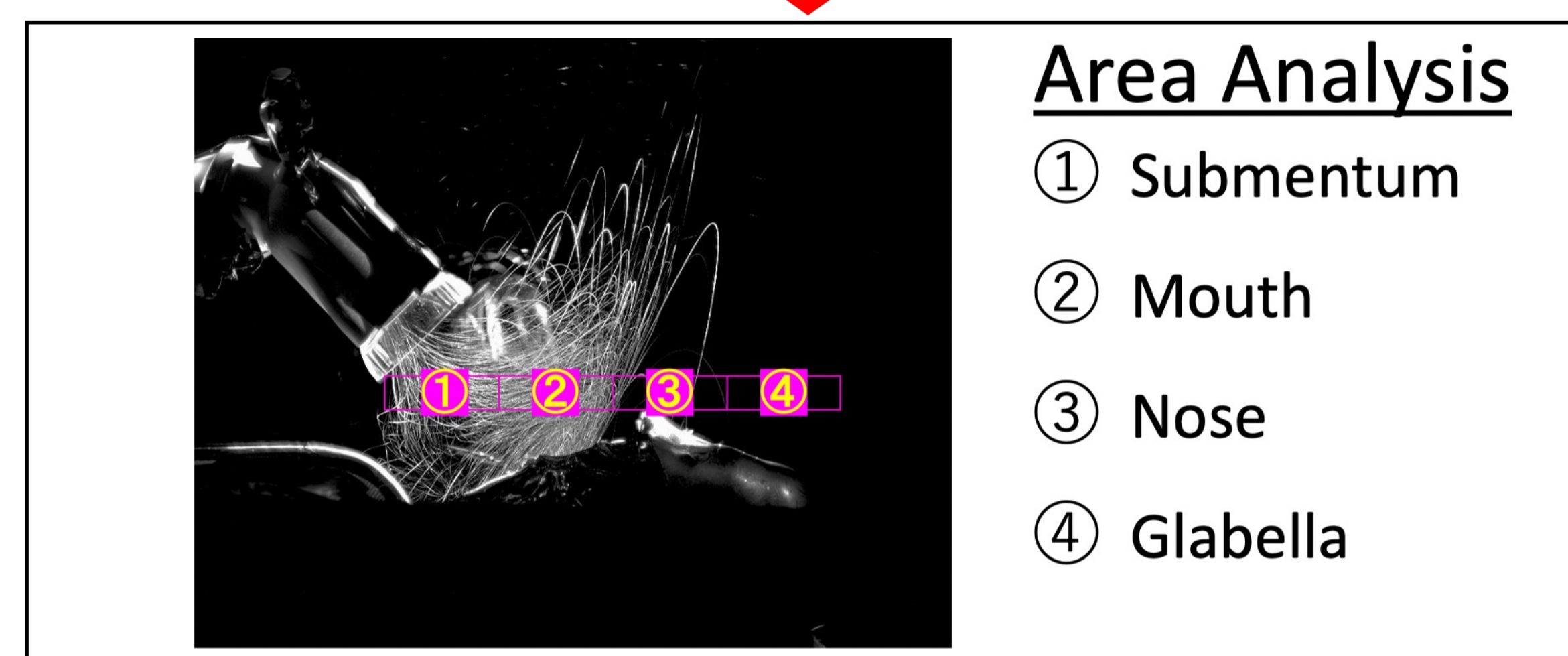
Air turbine



Ultrasonic bone cutting device



Implant motor



Area Analysis

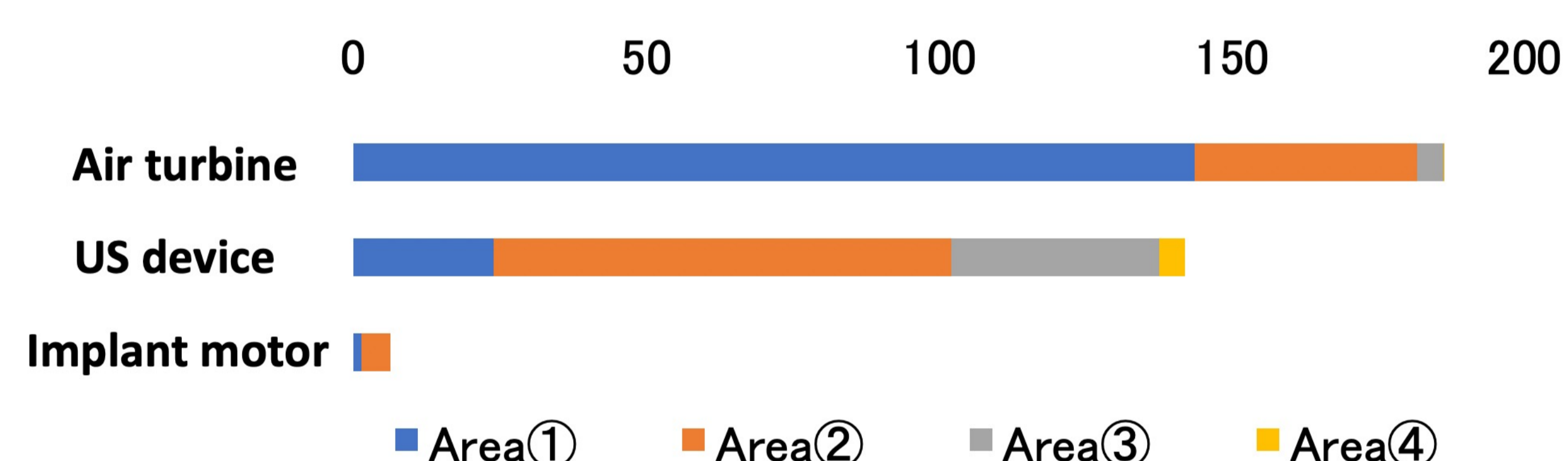
- ① Submentum
- ② Mouth
- ③ Nose
- ④ Glabella

Results

Maximum Intensity Analysis

CW Laser

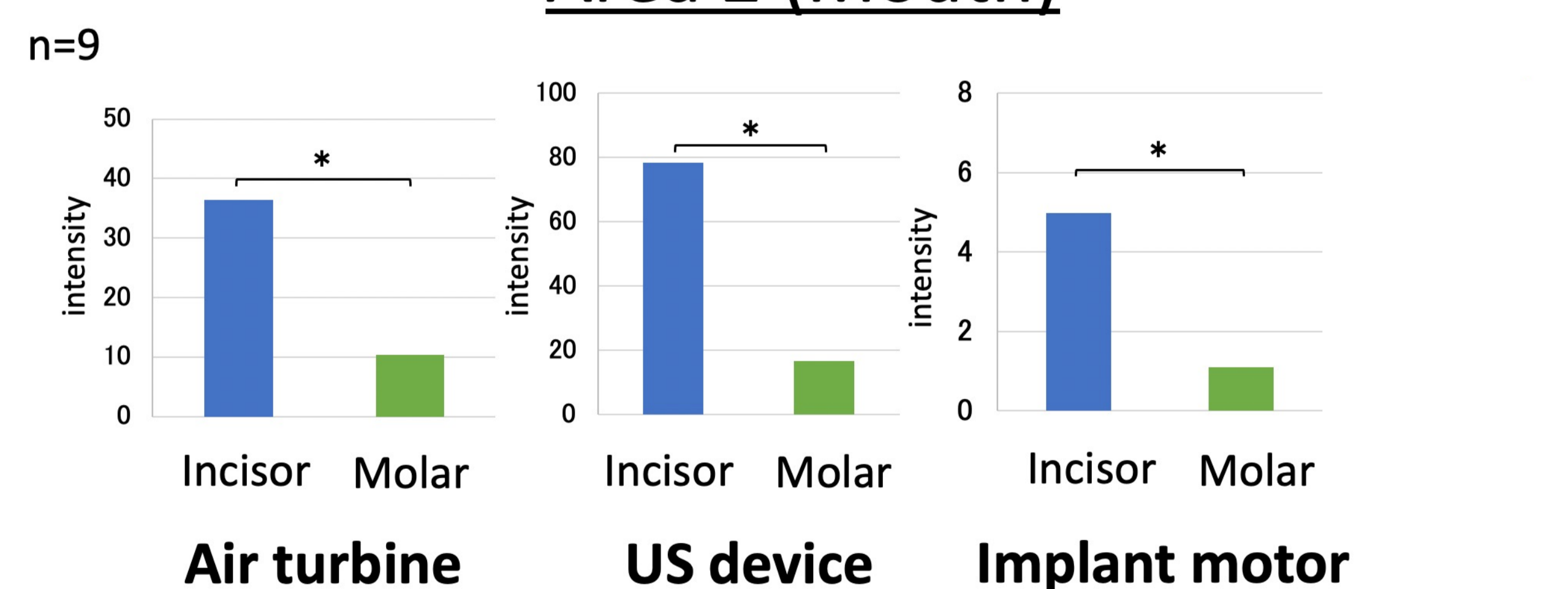
Location: Mand. Incisors



Maximum Intensity Analysis

CW Laser

Area 2 (Mouth)



Student's t-test * : $p < 0.05$

Discussion

Implant motor was minimum generated device

Standard implant surgery

→ Lower risk compared with general dental treatment

Incisor area was higher risk for aerosol generation

Donor site for bone graft

→ Mandibular ramus or retromolar region is better. Chin bone using US device contains high risk of aerosol diffusion.