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Surgical Robotics: From the Laboratory to the Operating Room

Message from the Guest Editors

Over the past twenty years, surgical robots have seen an increasing acceptance and utilization in the operating room, revolutionising interventions by enhancing surgical dexterity and safety, while reducing procedure and patient recovery times. Current commercial platforms cover a wide range of surgical specialties, from urologic, to colorectal, to gynecologic surgery, to name a few. In the last years, many more companies have entered the market, offering advanced robotic surgical solutions, intensifying the competition, while at the same time, research in the field has been growing exponentially. The main goal of this Special Issue is to provide a current snapshot of the state of the art, both for the commercial platforms deployed in the Operating Room, as well as the research and innovation output from academia.

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