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(57) **ABSTRACT**

The present invention provides a hood for an ultrasonic
endoscope and an ultrasonic endoscope that prevent a body
wall from getting into close contact with an observation
window at a time such as when an ultrasonic transducer is
brought into close contact with the body wall. In a hood for
an ultrasonic endoscope to be attached to the ultrasonic
endoscope, a notch is formed at a front edge of the hood, and
a front edge corner at an observation window side along the
notch is provided as an eaves-shaped part. The eaves-shaped
part protrudes in front of the observation window, and when
an ultrasonic transducer is brought into close contact with
the body wall, the eaves-shaped part lies between the body
wall and the observation window, thereby preventing the
body wall from getting into close contact with the observa-
tion window.

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