Feedback from EES Course 19-Oct-2016

Surgeons learning EES in surgical skills lab on cadavers

Tools:

* Ear hair trimmer – hair trimming was difficult, time-consuming, less stable scope
* Suction with different tips – current suction and tools too big for inner ear surgery
* Rosen needle good – want more curvatures of the tip
* Endoscrub – one person said it would be beneficial, but another said that it’s too think and requires another pedal therefore too bulky and may be confusing
* Defogger for endoscope that’s not too bulky?
* STIFF suction tip - curved suction -> size and angle is good but is too flimsy
* For accessibility - something with a curved tip that can become longer and shorter (concentric tubes)

Difficult to:

* Cut flap without tearing it – maybe due to dull blade
* Trim hairs

General comments:

* Smaller grafts – easier to maneuver and position
* Practice on a model to develop the dexterity skills
  + E.g. 3D printed ear
  + Simulate the motion/concept of the movement required during steps in the operations e.g. make motion of lifting the ear drum
  + Simulate making controlled motions