Apparatus To Trace and Cut a Tendon or Other Laterally Extended Anatomical Structure

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Description:
A harvesting apparatus is disclosed for harvesting anatomical structures such as tendons, fine muscles, nerves and blood vessels, where the apparatus includes an elongate member having two longitudinally extending tubes or tubular apertures extending from the member's proximal end to its distal end. The distal end includes opposing heads and an arcuate base. The anatomical structure is placed on the arcuate base and a flexible cutting member is threaded through one tube over the anatomical structure and into and through the other tube. The elongate member is then directed into an animal or human body along the structure to a position where the anatomical structure is to be cut. Then the cutting member is pulled back and forth at the distal end causing into to cut the anatomical structure at the distal head.

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