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REGISTRATION STATEMENT
under
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

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(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

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Approximate Date of Proposed Sale to the Public: As soon as practicable after the effective date of this registration statement:

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<u>Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered</u>	<u>Amount to be Registered</u>	<u>Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Security (1)</u>	<u>Proposed Maximum Offering Price (1)</u>	<u>Amount of Registration Fee</u>
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	6,594,048(2)	\$0.22 (3)	\$1,450,690.56	\$382.98

(1) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457 promulgated under the Securities Act.

(2) Represents shares to be sold by the selling securityholders named herein.

(3) Calculated solely for the purpose of determining the registration fee pursuant to rule 457(c) based upon the closing price of the common stock on The Nasdaq SmallCap Market on December 5, 2000.

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act, or until the Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

In accordance with Rule 429, the prospectus included in this Registration Statement relates to the offer and resale by the selling securityholders named in the prospectus of 8,653,480 shares of common stock, of which

- 6,594,048 shares are included in this Registration Statement
- 63,000 shares are included in Registration Statement No. 333-40710, declared effective by the SEC on July 28, 2000.
- 1,996,432 shares are included in Registration Statement No. 333-45706, declared effective by the SEC on September 28, 2000.

Preliminary Prospectus Dated December 7, 2000

Integrated Surgical Systems, Inc.

Common Stock

The selling securityholders named in this prospectus are offering and selling up to 8,653,480 shares of our common stock.

Our common stock, which is quoted on the Nasdaq Small Cap Market under the symbol "RDOC", is subject to delisting for failure to maintain a minimum bid price of \$1.00 per share. For additional information concerning the possible delisting of our common stock, you should read the risk factors starting on page 2.

The common stock is a speculative investment and involves a high degree of risk. You should read the description of certain risks under the caption Risk Factors commencing on page 2 before purchasing the common stock.

Our executive offices are at 1850 Research Park Drive, Davis, California 95616-4884, and our telephone number is 530-792-2600.

These securities have not been approved or disapproved by the SEC or any state securities commission nor has the SEC or any state securities commission passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Information Contained in this Prospectus is Subject to Completion or Amendment. A Registration Statement Relating to These Securities Has Been Filed With The Securities And Exchange Commission. These Securities May Not Be Sold Nor May Offers to Buy Be Sold Nor May Offers to Buy Be Accepted Prior to The Time The Registration Statement Becomes Effective. This Prospectus Shall Not Constitute An Offer to Sell or the Solicitation of an Offer to Buy Nor Shall There Be Any Sale of These Securities in Any State in Which Such Offer, Solicitation or Sale Would Be Unlawful Prior to Registration or Qualification under the Securities Laws of Any State.

The date of this prospectus is _____, 2000

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This prospectus is part of a registration statement we filed with the SEC. You should rely only on the information or representations provided in this prospectus. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with different information. The common stock will not be offered in any state where an offer is not permitted. You should not assume that the information in this prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date on the cover of this prospectus.

Risk Factors

We have a history of operating losses and these losses may continue.

We have experienced significant losses since we began operations. We incurred net losses of approximately \$10.2 million for the year ended December 31, 1999 and approximately \$10.3 million for the year ended December 31, 1998 and a net loss of approximately \$5.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2000 as compared to a net loss of approximately \$6.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 1999. As a result of these losses, we had an accumulated deficit of approximately \$54.0 million as of September 30, 2000. We will continue to incur losses until such time, if ever, as we derive significant revenues from the sale of our products.

The report of independent auditors on our December 31, 1999 consolidated financial statements includes an explanatory paragraph concerning our ability to continue as a going concern.

The report of independent auditors on our December 31, 1999 consolidated financial statements includes an explanatory paragraph which indicates there is substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern because of recurring operating losses and an accumulated deficit of approximately \$45.8 million as of December 31, 1999.

If we cannot satisfy Nasdaq's maintenance requirements, it may delist our common stock from its SmallCap Market.

Our common stock is quoted on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market. To continue to be listed, we are required to maintain net tangible assets of \$2,000,000 and our common stock must maintain a minimum bid price of \$1.00 per share. By letter dated September 13, 2000, Nasdaq notified us that our common stock failed to satisfy its minimum bid price standard for continued listing and we would be delisted if the price of our common stock was not at least \$1.00 per share for ten consecutive trading days by December 12, 2000. As of December 5, 2000 we still did not meet the requirement. We have filed an appeal and NASDAQ has scheduled a hearing on January 4, 2001. Although our listing will be maintained until the date of the hearing, if our appeal is not successful, our common stock will be delisted. If we are delisted and we are not then listed or do not qualify for a listing on a stock exchange, our common stock would be traded in the over-the-counter market and quoted on the NASD's "Electronic Bulletin Board" or the "pink sheets." Consequently, it may be more difficult for an investor to obtain price quotations for our common stock or to sell it.

If our common stock is delisted, it may become subject to the SEC's penny stock rules and more difficult to sell.

SEC rules require brokers to provide information to purchasers of securities traded at less than \$5.00 and not traded on a national securities exchange or quoted on the Nasdaq Stock Market. If our common stock becomes a "penny stock" that is not exempt from the SEC rules, these disclosure requirements may have the effect of reducing trading activity in our common stock and make it more difficult for investors to sell. The rules require a broker-dealer to deliver a standardized risk disclosure document prepared by the SEC that provides information about penny stocks and the nature and level of risks in the penny market. The broker must also give bid and offer quotations and broker and salesperson compensation information to the customer orally or in writing before or with his confirmation. The SEC rules also require a broker to make a special written determination that the

penny stock is a suitable investment for the purchaser and receive the purchaser's written agreement to the transaction before a transaction in a penny stock.

Our potential future success and financial performance will depend almost entirely on our ability to successfully market the ROBODOC System.

For the near term, we expect to derive most of our revenues from sales of the ROBODOC System. Accordingly, our potential future success and financial performance will depend almost entirely on our ability to successfully market the ROBODOC System. To successfully market the ROBODOC System, we must commit substantial marketing efforts, develop an effective sales and marketing organization, and expend significant funds to inform potential customers, including hospitals and physicians, of the distinctive characteristics and advantages of using the ROBODOC System instead of traditional surgical tools and procedures. Since the ROBODOC System employs innovative technology, rather than being an improvement of existing technology, and represents a substantial capital expenditure, we expect to encounter resistance to change, which we must overcome if the ROBODOC System is to achieve significant market acceptance. Furthermore, our ability to market the ROBODOC System in the United States is dependent upon approval by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. We cannot give you any assurance that we will obtain FDA approval to market the ROBODOC System in the United States, or that the ROBODOC System will achieve significant market acceptance in the United States, Europe and other foreign markets to generate sufficient revenues to become profitable.

Alternatives to our products may affect our potential future success.

The principal competition for the ROBODOC System is manual surgery performed by orthopaedic surgeons, using surgical power tools and manual devices. The providers of these instruments are the major orthopaedic companies, which include Howmedica, Inc. (a subsidiary of Stryker Corporation), located in New York; Zimmer, Inc. (a subsidiary of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company), located in Indiana; Johnson & Johnson Orthopaedics, Inc. (a subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson), located in New Jersey; DePuy, Inc. (a subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson) located in Indiana; Biomet, Inc., located in Indiana; and Osteonics, Inc. (a subsidiary of the Stryker Corporation), located in New Jersey.

Orto Maquet, a German manufacturer and major supplier of operating tables to hospitals and physicians in Europe, has entered the market with a device intended to compete with the ROBODOC System. Orto Maquet's system requires a preliminary surgical procedure to place positioning pins in the patient's thigh bone prior to performing hip replacement surgery. Although Orto Maquet offers a pre-surgical planning station, only our ROBODOC System offers enhancements that allow the surgeon to plan and perform revision hip surgery, the replacement of a previous hip implant. Orto Maquet has relationships with hospitals and physicians throughout Europe as a supplier of operating tables and has greater financial, marketing and distribution resources than us. Several of our potential customers in Germany have decided to purchase the Orto Maquet system instead of the ROBODOC System due to their preference for doing business with a German company.

The principal competition for the NeuroMate System are frame-based and frameless navigators, which are manually operated. Approximately twenty navigator models have been introduced, including those by Radionics, Sofamor-Danek and Ohio Medical Surgical products, all located in the United States; Elekta, located in Sweden; and Fischer Leibinger and Brain Lab, both located in Germany. In general, there are companies in the medical products industry capable of developing and marketing computer-controlled robotic systems for surgical applications, many of whom have significantly greater financial, technical, manufacturing, marketing and distribution resources than us, and have established reputations in the medical device industry. Furthermore, we cannot give you any assurance that IBM or the University of California, which developed the technology embodied in the ROBODOC System and hold patents relating thereto, will not enter the market or license the technology to other companies.

We cannot give you any assurance that future competition will not have a material adverse effect on our business. The cost of our systems represents a significant capital expenditure for a customer and accordingly may discourage purchases by certain customers.

We need, but have not yet obtained, permission from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to market the ROBODOC System in the United States.

Until recently, based upon pre-filing meetings and other discussions with representatives of the FDA as part of the pre-submission review process, we had been advised that we would have to file a PMA application for the ROBODOC System. Although we intended to file a PMA with the FDA in the second quarter of 1998, we decided to defer the filing to incorporate our pinless DigiMatch Single Surgery System technology, and possibly other technological developments, as part of the PMA application. Our pinless DigiMatch Single Surgery System eliminated a preliminary surgical procedure in which locator pins were placed in a patient's thigh bone prior to ROBODOC hip surgery. Incorporation of the DigiMatch technology necessitated further clinical trials conducted under an FDA approved Investigational Device Exemption (IDE) to demonstrate its safety and effectiveness.

Based upon our discussions with representatives of the FDA, it was suggested that if the ROBODOC System were reclassified from a Class III to a Class II device, it could be cleared for marketing in the U. S. through the 510(k) de novo premarket notification process. Data obtained for the new clinical trials will be used to support the reclassification of the ROBODOC System as a Class II device. In order to obtain FDA clearance of approval, we must demonstrate that the DigiMatch ROBODOC System is safe and effective for its intended use as an alternative to manual total hip replacement techniques. We cannot give you any assurance that

- the FDA will, in fact, reclassify the ROBODOC System as a Class II device
- the FDA will agree that the DigiMatch ROBODOC System is safe and effective, or
- if the FDA grants us permission to market the ROBODOC System in the U. S. , that it will not include unfavorable limitations or restrictions

We may not be able to comply with Quality System and other FDA reporting and inspection requirements.

Assuming we obtain the necessary FDA approvals and clearances for our products, in order to maintain such approvals and clearances we must, among other things, register our establishment and list our devices with the FDA and with certain state agencies, maintain extensive records, report any adverse experiences on the use of our products and submit to periodic inspections by the FDA and certain state agencies. The Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act also requires devices to be manufactured in accordance with the quality system regulation, which sets forth good manufacturing practices requirements with respect to manufacturing and quality assurance activities. The quality system regulation revises the previous good manufacturing practices regulation and imposes certain enhanced requirements that are likely to increase the cost of compliance, including design controls.

We may not be able to obtain regulatory approvals needed to sell our products in foreign markets.

The introduction of our products in foreign markets has subjected and will continue to subject us to foreign regulatory clearances, which may be unpredictable and uncertain, and which may impose substantial additional costs and burdens. Many countries also impose product standards, packaging requirements, labeling requirements and import restrictions on devices. We cannot give you any assurance that any of our products will receive further approvals or clearances, if required on a timely basis, or at all.

Our ability to compete successfully may depend, in part, on our ability to obtain and protect patents, protect trade secrets and operate without infringing the proprietary rights of others.

Certain robotic medical technology underlying our products is the subject of a United States patent issued to IBM, which IBM has agreed not to enforce against the manufacture and sale of our products. We have been issued four U.S. patents and filed seven patent applications covering various aspects of our technology.

We cannot give you any assurance that our pending or future patent applications will mature into issued patents, or that we will continue to develop our own patentable technologies. Further, we cannot give you any assurance that any patents that may be issued to us effectively protect our technology or provide a competitive advantage for our products or will not be challenged, invalidated, or circumvented in the future. In addition, we cannot give you any assurance that competitors, many of which have substantially more resources than us and have made substantial investments in competing technologies, will not obtain patents that will prevent, limit or interfere with our ability to make, use or sell our products either in the United States or internationally.

The medical device industry has been characterized by substantial competition and litigation regarding patent and other proprietary rights. We intend to vigorously protect and defend our patents and other proprietary rights relating to our proprietary technology. Litigation alleging infringement claims against us (with or without merit), or instituted by us to enforce patents and to protect trade secrets or know-how owned by us or to determine the enforceability, scope and validity of the proprietary rights of others, is costly and time consuming. If any relevant claims of third-party patents are upheld as valid and enforceable in any litigation or administrative proceedings, we could be prevented from practicing the subject matter claimed in such patents, or could be required to obtain licenses from the patent owners of each patent, or to redesign our products or processes to avoid infringement. We cannot give you any assurance that such licenses would be available or, if available, would be available on terms acceptable to us or that we would be successful in any attempt to redesign our products or processes to avoid infringement. Accordingly, an adverse determination in a judicial or administrative proceeding or failure to obtain necessary licenses could prevent us from manufacturing and selling our products, which would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our production experience is limited.

Our success will depend in part on our ability to assemble our products in a timely, cost-effective manner and in compliance with good manufacturing practices, and manufacturing requirements of other countries, including the International Standards Organization 9000 standards and other regulatory requirements. The assembly of our products is a complex operation involving a number of separate processes and components. Our production activities to date have consisted primarily of assembling limited quantities of systems for use in clinical trials and systems for commercial sale. We do not have experience in assembling our products in larger commercial quantities. Furthermore, as a condition to receipt of pre-market approval, our facilities, procedures and practices will be subject to pre-approval and ongoing good manufacturing practices inspections by the FDA.

Manufacturers often encounter difficulties in scaling up manufacturing of new products, including problems involving product yields, quality control and assurance, component and service availability, adequacy of control policies and procedures, lack of qualified personnel, compliance with FDA regulations, and the need for further FDA approval of new manufacturing processes and facilities. We cannot give you any assurance that production yields, costs or quality will not be adversely affected as we seek to increase production, and any such adverse effect could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We are dependent on our supplier of robots.

Although we have multiple sources for most of our components, parts and assemblies used in the ROBODOC and NeuroMate Systems, we are dependent on Sankyo Seiki of Japan for the ROBODOC System robot arm and Audemars-Piguet of Switzerland for the supply of the customized NeuroMate robot. Although we believe we can obtain a robot arm for either the ROBODOC System or the NeuroMate System from other suppliers, with appropriate modifications and engineering effort, we cannot give you any assurance that delays resulting from the required modifications or engineering effort to adapt alternative components would not have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We are dependent on foreign sales.

Since we commenced operations, substantially all of our sales have been to customers in Germany, Austria, France and Japan. We believe that until such time, if ever, as we receive approval from the FDA to market the ROBODOC System in the United States, substantially all of our sales for the ROBODOC System will be derived from customers in foreign markets. Foreign sales are subject to certain risks, including economic or political instability, shipping delays, fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates, changes in regulatory requirements, custom duties and export quotas and other trade restrictions, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business. To date, payment for substantially all ROBODOC Systems in Europe has been fixed in U.S. Dollars. However, we cannot give you any assurance that in the future customers will be willing to make payment for our products in U.S. Dollars. If the U.S. Dollar strengthens substantially against the foreign currency of a country in which we sell our products, the cost of purchasing our products in U.S. Dollars would increase and may inhibit purchases of our products by customers in that country. We are unable to predict the nature of future changes in foreign markets or the effect, if any, they might have on us.

Lengthy sales cycle may cause us to recognize the sales price of a system in a subsequent fiscal quarter to the fiscal quarter in which we incurred related marketing and sales expenses.

Since the purchase of a ROBODOC System or NeuroMate System represents a significant capital expenditure for a customer, the placement of orders may be delayed due to customers' internal procedures to approve large capital expenditures. We anticipate that the period between initial contact of a customer for a system and submission of a purchase order by that customer could be as long as 9 to 12 months. Furthermore, the current lead time required by the supplier of the robot for either the ROBODOC System or the NeuroMate System is approximately four months after receipt of the order. We may be required to expend significant cash resources to fund our operations until the purchase price is paid. Accordingly, we may not recognize the sales price of a system until a fiscal quarter subsequent to the fiscal quarter in which we incurred marketing and sales expenses associated with an order.

We are subject to product liability claims.

The manufacture and sale of medical products exposes us to the risk of significant damages from product liability claims. Although we maintain product liability insurance against product liability claims in the amount of \$5 million per occurrence and \$5 million in aggregate, we cannot give you any assurance that the coverage limits of our insurance policies will be adequate or that such insurance can be maintained at acceptable costs. Although we have not experienced any product liability claims to date, a successful claim brought against us in excess of our insurance coverage could have a materially adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We may not be able to retain our key personnel or hire the additional personnel we need to succeed.

Our growth and future success also will depend in large part on the continued contributions of key technical and senior management personnel, as well as our ability to attract, motivate and retain highly qualified personnel generally and, in particular, trained and experienced professionals capable of developing, selling and installing the Systems and training surgeons in their use. Competition for such personnel is intense, and we cannot give you any assurance that we will be successful in hiring, motivating or retaining such qualified personnel. None of our executive or key technical personnel is employed pursuant to an employment agreement. The loss of the services of senior management or key technical personnel, or the inability to hire or retain qualified personnel, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our ability to obtain funds under our equity line of credit in amounts sufficient to satisfy our operating requirements is limited.

The dollar amount of shares that we may sell to Triton West Group under our equity line of credit at any time is based upon a formula that varies with the average closing bid price and average trading volume of the common stock for the 30 trading days preceding the delivery of a purchase notice to Triton. If the average closing bid price of a share of our common stock is between \$0.50 and \$1.00 and the average trading volume for the preceding 30-day trading period is more than 100,000 shares, we can sell up to \$600,000 of common stock to Triton, but if the trading volume for that 30-day trading period is more than 15,000 shares but not more than 100,000 shares, we only can sell up to \$400,000 of common stock to Triton. The amount available to us under the equity line increases as the bid price and trading volume of our common stock increase. However, if at the time we deliver a purchase notice to Triton the average closing bid price of a share of common stock has been less than \$0.50 for the preceding 30-day period, we can only sell up to \$250,000 of common stock to Triton. We may not sell shares to Triton more often than once every fifteen trading days. As of November 20, 2000 we had sold 282,353 shares to Triton under this equity line of credit for a total purchase price of \$75,000 (\$0.27 per share).

Our monthly cash requirements since January 1, 2000 have averaged approximately \$700,000. As long as the market price of our common stock remains below \$1.00, amounts available under the equity line may not be sufficient to satisfy our cash needs. The closing market price of our common stock has been less than \$1.00 since August 3, 2000 and has been less than \$0.50 since September 29, 2000.

We may need additional financing if we are unable to obtain funds sufficient to satisfy our cash requirements under the equity line. Additional financing, if required, may not be available on acceptable terms, if at all. If we are unable to obtain financing on favorable terms, we may have to reduce operations, defer research and development projects and reduce staffing. We may issue common stock or debt or equity securities convertible into shares of common stock to obtain additional financing, if required. Any additional financing may result in substantial dilution to current holders of our common stock.

In addition, under the equity line of credit agreement, we may not sell more than 3,843,939 shares of common stock, representing 19.9% of the outstanding shares on the date we entered into the agreement, without stockholder approval. This limitation is required under the corporate governance rules of the Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. At an assumed market price of \$0.20 per share, we only will be able to sell approximately \$650,000 of shares under the equity line until we obtain stockholder approval. Although we intend to seek stockholder approval at a meeting of stockholders to be held on December 12, 2000, we cannot guarantee that stockholders will approve the issuance of more than 3,843,939 shares under the equity line.

The sale of shares of our common stock to Triton under our equity line of credit and the subsequent public resale of those shares while the market price of our common stock is declining may result in further decreases in its price.

We may sell up to \$12,000,000 of common stock to Triton under our equity line of credit agreement at a purchase price of 85% of the lowest closing bid price of our common stock during the nine trading day period commencing two trading days before we deliver a purchase notice to Triton. We anticipate that Triton will place orders to resell the shares it will purchase from us upon receipt of a purchase notice which could contribute to a decline in the market price of the common stock. The sale by Triton of a large number of shares of common stock purchased under the equity line during periods when the market price of the common stock declines, or the possibility of such sales, may exacerbate the decline or impede increases in the market price of the common stock.

Conversion of our preferred stock and subsequent public sale of our common stock while its market price is declining may result in further decreases in its price.

As of November 20, 2000, we had outstanding 1,199 shares of convertible preferred stock. Each share of preferred stock has a stated value of \$1,000 per share and is convertible into common stock at a conversion price equal to 80% of the lowest sale price of the common stock on The Nasdaq SmallCap Market over the five trading days preceding the date of conversion. The number of shares of common stock that may be acquired upon conversion is determined by dividing the stated value of the number of shares of preferred stock to be converted by the conversion price, subject to a maximum conversion price of \$1.63 as to 579 shares and \$1.06 as to the remaining 620 shares. Since there is no minimum conversion price, there is no limit on the number of shares of common stock that holders of preferred stock may acquire upon conversion. Holders of our preferred stock may sell at market price the shares of common stock they have acquired upon conversion at a 20% discount to prevailing market prices concurrently with, or shortly after, conversion, realizing a profit equal to the difference between the market price. The holders of the preferred stock also could engage in short sales of our common stock after delivering a notice of conversion to us, which could contribute to a decline in the market price of the common stock and give them the opportunity to profit from that decrease by covering their short position with shares acquired upon conversion at a 20% discount to the prevailing market price. The conversion of the preferred stock and subsequent sale of a large number of shares of common stock acquired upon conversion during periods when the market price of the common stock declines, or the possibility of such conversions and sales, may exacerbate the decline or impede increases in the market price of the common stock.

Other issuances of preferred stock could adversely affect existing holders of our common stock.

Under our certificate of incorporation, our Board of Directors may, without further stockholder approval, issue up to an additional 984,730 shares of preferred stock with dividend, liquidation, conversion, voting or other rights that could adversely affect the voting power or other rights of the holders of common stock. We could use new classes of preferred stock as a method of discouraging, delaying or preventing a change in persons that control us. In particular, the terms of the preferred stock could effectively restrict our ability to consummate a merger, reorganization, sale of all or substantially all of our assets, liquidation or other extraordinary corporate transaction without the approval of the holders of our common stock. We could also create a class of preferred stock with rights and preferences similar to those of our outstanding convertible preferred stock, which could result in substantial dilution to holders of our common stock or adversely affect its market price.

Conversion of our outstanding preferred stock, the issuance of shares under our equity line of credit and the exercise of our outstanding warrants and stock options and subsequent public sale of our common stock will result in substantial dilution to existing stockholders.

As of November 20, 2000, we had outstanding 22,412,204 shares of common stock. In addition

- an indeterminate number of shares may be acquired upon conversion of our outstanding preferred stock since there is no minimum conversion price. At an assumed conversion price of \$0.15 per share, holders of preferred stock could acquire upon conversion 7,990,480 shares of common stock, or approximately 36% of the shares outstanding as of November 20, 2000.
- an indeterminate number of shares may be acquired under our \$12,000,000 equity line of credit which has no minimum purchase price. Assuming a purchase price of \$0.20 per share for the \$11,925,000 remaining available balance on the equity line of credit, we will issue 59,625,000 shares under the line, representing approximately 266% of the shares outstanding as of November 20, 2000.
- 16,634,911 shares may be acquired upon exercise of outstanding warrants.
- 1,724,651 shares may be acquired upon exercise of outstanding stock options.

Existing stockholders will experience substantial dilution in their percentage ownership of our common stock if our preferred stock is converted, shares of common stock and warrants are issued under our equity line of credit and warrants and stock options are exercised. If all of the outstanding preferred stock are converted at an assumed conversion price of \$0.15 per share, \$11,925,000 of shares of common stock are issued under our equity line of credit at an assumed purchase price of \$0.20 per share, and all outstanding warrants and stock options are exercised, the number of outstanding shares of common stock will increase by 85,975,042 shares, representing approximately 384% of the outstanding common stock as of November 20, 2000.

Sales of substantial amounts of our common stock, or the possibility of such sales, may have an adverse effect on the market price of our common stock and impair our ability to raise capital through an offering of equity securities in the future.

As of November 20, 2000, there were 22,412,204 shares of common stock outstanding. Except for 4,577,284 shares of common stock (representing approximately 20% of the outstanding common stock), substantially all of the outstanding shares of common stock are transferable without restriction under the Securities Act. In addition,

- an indeterminate number of shares may be acquired upon conversion of our outstanding preferred stock since there is no minimum conversion price. At an assumed conversion price of \$0.15 per share, holders of our outstanding preferred stock could acquire 7,990,480 shares of common stock. The number of shares that may be acquired upon conversion will increase if the market price of the common stock declines below the assumed conversion price.
- an indeterminate number of shares may be acquired under our \$12,000,000 equity line of credit, which has no minimum purchase price. At an assumed purchase price of \$0.20 per share, for the \$11,925,000 remaining available balance on the equity line of credit, we will issue 59,625,000 shares of our common stock.
- 2,274,066 shares may be acquired upon exercise of warrants owned by IBM at exercise prices ranging from \$.01 to \$.07.
- 7,435,896 shares may be acquired upon exercise of warrants issued in our initial public offering at an exercise price of \$1.54.
- 4,500,000 shares may be acquired upon exercise of warrants at an exercise price of \$1.027.
- 2,424,949 shares may be acquired upon exercise of warrants having exercise prices ranging from \$0.50 to \$4.39 per share.
- 1,724,651 shares may be acquired upon exercise of stock options granted pursuant to our stock option plans at exercise prices ranging from \$.07 to \$8.63 per share.

Substantially all of such shares, when issued, may be immediately resold in the public market pursuant to effective registration statements under the Securities Act or pursuant to Rule 144.

If our securityholders sell publicly a substantial number of shares they own or may acquire under our equity line of credit, upon exercise of outstanding options and warrants or upon conversion of our preferred stock, then the market price of our common stock may decline. Public perception that those sales will occur may also exert downward pressure on our common stock. A decline in the price of our common stock may also impair our ability to raise capital through the sale of equity securities.

Forward Looking Statements

Some of the information in this prospectus and the documents we incorporate by reference may contain forward- looking statements. Such statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "may," "will," "expect" "believe," "intend," "anticipate" "estimate" "continue" or similar words. These statements discuss future expectations, estimate the happening of future events or our financial condition or state other forward-looking information. When considering such forward- looking statements, you should keep in mind the risk factors and other cautionary statements in this prospectus and the documents that we incorporate by reference. The risk factors discussed in this prospectus and other factors noted throughout this prospectus, including certain risks and uncertainties, could cause our actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement.

Selling Securityholders

The table below sets forth the name and address of each selling securityholder, the number of shares of common stock beneficially owned by each securityholder as of November 20, 2000, the number of shares that each selling securityholder may offer, and the number of shares of common stock beneficially owned by each selling securityholder upon completion of this offering, assuming all of the shares offered are sold. None of the selling securityholders have, or within the past three years have held, any position, office or other material relationship with us or any of our predecessors or affiliates.

Holders of our series G and H preferred stock are offering:

- 7,990,480 shares they own
- 663,000 shares they may acquire upon exercise of warrants

The selling securityholders acquired, or will acquire, the securities described above in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act and Rule 506 of Regulation D, or in the case of shares acquired by the holders of our preferred stock upon conversion, under Section 3(a)(9) of the Securities Act. All of the selling securityholders are "accredited investors", as defined in Rule 501(a) of Regulation D.

The number of shares of common stock that may be acquired by holders of preferred stock and offered for resale under this prospectus has been computed at an assumed conversion price of \$0.15 per share. The actual conversion price is 80% of the lowest sale price of a share of common stock for the five trading days preceding the date of conversion. The number of shares of common stock that the selling securityholder may acquire upon conversion is equal to the number of shares of preferred stock to be converted times \$1,000, the stated value of each share of preferred stock, divided by the conversion price. The maximum conversion price of the series G preferred stock is \$1.63 and the maximum conversion price of the series H preferred stock is \$1.06. Since there is no minimum conversion price, if the market price of the common stock declines below the assumed conversion price, the number of shares that the selling securityholder may acquire upon conversion will increase. If following a sustained increase in the market price of the common stock sufficient to offset the 20% discount used in computing the conversion price the conversion price is higher than the assumed conversion price, the number of shares that the selling securityholder may acquire will decrease.

The number of shares listed below as beneficially owned before the offering by each selling securityholder owning series G or series H preferred stock has been computed, without giving effect to the terms of the certificate of designations for that series, which provides that the number of shares that the selling securityholders may acquire upon conversion may not exceed that number which would render a selling securityholder the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the then issued and outstanding shares of common stock, or result in the issuance of more than an aggregate of 3,370,043 shares upon conversion of the series G preferred stock or 3,494,298 shares upon conversion of the series H preferred stock, representing in each case 19.9% of the shares outstanding on the date that series of preferred stock was issued, until stockholders approve the issuance of shares in excess of that number.

As of November 20, 2000, we had 22,412,204 shares of common stock outstanding. For purposes of computing the number and percentage of shares beneficially owned by a selling securityholder on November 20, 2000, any shares which such person has the right to acquire within 60 days after such date are deemed to be outstanding, but those shares are not deemed to be outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of any other selling securityholder.

	Shares of Common Stock Beneficially Owned Before Offering		Shares of Common Stock Offered	Shares of Common Stock Beneficially Owned After Offering	
	Number	Percent		Number	Percent
<u> Holders of series H preferred stock: </u>					
Alborz Select Opportunities Fund (1) Norfolk House Frobish Street P.O. Box N-3935 Nassau, Bahamas	2,091,650(2)	8.5%	2,091,650(2)	0	--
Spiga Limited (3) Skelton Building Road Town Tortola, British Virgin Islands	1,416,683(4)	6.0%	1,416,683(4)	0	--
Target Growth Fund, Ltd.(5) c/o Bermuda Commercial Bank Building 44 Church Street Hamilton HM12 Bermuda	416,683(4)	1.8%	416,683(4)	0	--
IIG Equity Opportunities Fund Ltd. (6) c/o M Q Services Bermuda Commercial Bank Building 44 Church Street Hamilton HM12 Bermuda	708,317(7)	3.1%	708,317(7)	0	--
<u> Holders of series G preferred stock: </u>					
AMRO International, S.A.(8) c/o Ultrafinaz, Grossmunster platz Zurich CH 8022 Switzerland	96,625	*	71,000(9)	25,625(10)	*
Esquire Trade & Finance, Inc. (11) Trident Chambers, P.O. Box 146 Road Town, Tortola, B.V.I.	436,541	1.9%	427,167(12)	9,374(10)	*
Celeste Trust Reg. c/o Trevisa-Treuhand Anstalt Landstrasse 8 9496 Furstentum Balzers, Liechtenstein	453,208(13)	2.0%	443,833(14)	9,375(10)	*
The Endeavour Capital Fund S.A. 46/21 Yirmeyahu Street Jerusalem 94467, Israel	3,141,276(16)	12.3%	3,078,147(15)	63,125(10)	*

* Less than one percent (1%).

1. Jacques Tizabi, as investment manager of the Alborz Select Opportunities Fund, has voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares owned by that fund.
2. Includes 291,650 shares that may be acquired upon exercise of warrants.
3. Clive Dakin has voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares owned by that fund.
4. Includes 83,350 shares that may be acquired upon exercise of warrants.
5. George Sandhu, as investment manager of the Target Growth Fund, Ltd. has voting and dispositive power with respect to shares owned by that fund.
6. George Sandhu, as investment manager of the IIG Equity Opportunities Fund Ltd. has voting and dispositive power with respect to shares owned by that fund.
7. Includes 41,650 shares that may be acquired upon exercise of warrants.
8. Hans Ulrich Bachofen and Michael Klee share voting and dispositive power with respect to shares owned by AMRO International, S.A.
9. Includes 71,000 shares that may be acquired upon exercise of warrants.
10. Represents shares that may be acquired upon exercise of warrants.
11. Gisela Kindla, as the sole director of Esquire Trade and Finance, Inc., has sole voting and dispositive power with respect to shares owned by that fund.
12. Includes 60,500 shares that may be acquired upon exercise of warrants.
13. Includes 9,375 shares that may be acquired by Austinvest Anstalt Balzers upon exercise of warrants. Thomas Hackl has voting and dispositive power with respect to shares owned by Celeste Trust Reg and Walter Grill has voting and dispositive power with respect to shares owned by Austinvest Anstalt Balzers.
14. Includes 10,500 shares that may be acquired upon exercise of warrants.
15. Includes 21,000 shares that may be acquired upon exercise of warrants. Shmuli Margulies as fund manager has sole voting and dispositive power with respect to shares owned by Endeavour Capital Fund S.A. and Endeavour Management Inc.
16. Includes 63,125 shares that may be acquired upon exercise of warrants.

We are registering the shares for resale by the selling securityholders in accordance with registration rights granted to the selling securityholders. We will pay the registration and filing fees, printing expenses, listing fees, blue sky fees, if any, and fees and disbursements of our counsel in connection with this offering, but the selling securityholders will pay any underwriting discounts, selling commissions and similar expenses relating to the sale of the shares, as well as the fees and expenses of their counsel. In addition, we have agreed to indemnify the selling securityholders, underwriters who may be selected by the selling securityholders and certain affiliated parties, against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, in connection with the offering. The selling securityholders; may agree to indemnify any agent, dealer or broker-dealer that participates in transactions involving sales of the shares against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act. The selling securityholders have agreed to indemnify us and our directors and officers, as well as any person controlling the company, against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act. Insofar as indemnification for liabilities under the Securities Act may be permitted to our directors or officers, or persons controlling the company, we have been informed that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is therefore unenforceable.

Plan of Distribution

The selling securityholders may sell shares from time to time in public transactions, on or off The Nasdaq SmallCap Market, or private transactions, at prevailing market prices or at privately negotiated prices. They may sell their shares in the following types of transactions:

- ordinary brokerage transactions and transactions in which the broker solicits purchasers;
- a block trade in which the broker-dealer so engaged will attempt to sell the shares as agent but may position and resell a portion of the block as principal to facilitate the transaction;
- purchases by a broker or dealer as principal and resale by such broker or dealer for its account pursuant to this prospectus; and
- face-to-face transactions between sellers and purchasers without a broker-dealer.

The selling securityholders also may sell shares that qualify under Section 4(l) of the Securities Act or Rule 144. As used in this prospectus, selling securityholders include donees, pledgees, distributees, transferees and other successors-in-interest of the selling securityholders named in this prospectus.

In effecting sales, brokers or dealers engaged by the selling securityholders may arrange for other brokers or dealers to participate in the resales. The selling securityholders may enter into hedging transactions with broker-dealers, and in connection with those transactions, broker-dealers may engage in short sales of the shares. The selling securityholders also may sell shares short and deliver the shares to close out such short positions, except that the selling securityholders have agreed that they will not enter into any put option or short position with respect to the common stock prior to the date of the delivery of a conversion notice. The selling securityholders also may enter into option or other transactions with broker-dealers which require the delivery to the broker-dealer of the shares, which the broker-dealer may resell under this prospectus. The selling securityholders also may pledge the shares to a broker or dealer and upon a default, the broker or dealer may effect sales of the pledged shares under this prospectus.

Brokers, dealers or agents may receive compensation in the form of commissions, discounts or concessions from selling securityholders in amounts to be negotiated in connection with the sale. The selling securityholders and any participating brokers or dealers may be deemed to be underwriters within the meaning of the Securities Act in connection with such sales and any such commission, discount or concession may be deemed to be underwriting compensation.

Information as to whether underwriters who may be selected by the selling securityholders, or any other broker-dealer, is acting as principal or agent for the selling securityholders, the compensation to be received by them, and the compensation to be received by other broker-dealers, in the event such compensation is in excess of usual and customary commissions, will, to the extent required, be set forth in a supplement to this prospectus. Any dealer or broker participating in any distribution of the shares may be required to deliver a copy of this prospectus, including a prospectus supplement, if any, to any person who purchases any of the shares from or through such dealer or broker.

We have advised the selling securityholders that during such time as they may be engaged in a distribution of the shares they are required to comply with Regulation M promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act. With certain exceptions, Regulation M precludes any selling securityholder, any

affiliated purchasers and any broker-dealer or other person who participates in such distribution from bidding for or purchasing, or attempting to induce any person to bid for or purchase any security which is the subject of the distribution until the entire distribution is complete. Regulation M also prohibits any bids or purchases made in order to stabilize the price of a security in connection with the distribution of that security.

Information About Integrated Surgical Systems, Inc.

We develop, assemble, market and service image-directed, computer-controlled robotic products for orthopaedic and neurosurgical applications. Our principal orthopaedic product is the ROBODOC[®] Surgical Assistant System, consisting of a computer-controlled surgical robot and our ORTHODOC Presurgical Planner, and our principal neurosurgical product is the NeuroMate[®] system.

Preferred Stock Financings

We are authorized to issue up to 1,000,000 shares of preferred stock with such designation, rights and preferences as may be determined from time to time by our Board of Directors. Accordingly, the Board of Directors is empowered, without further stockholder approval, to issue preferred stock with dividend, liquidation, conversion, voting or other rights that could decrease the amount of earnings and assets available for distribution to holders of common stock or adversely affect the voting power or other rights of the holders of our common stock. In the event of issuance, the preferred stock could be utilized, under certain circumstances, as a method of discouraging, delaying or preventing a change in control of our company.

Since September 1998, we have received aggregate net proceeds of approximately \$14.2 million from the sale of eight series of our convertible preferred stock. Information concerning these preferred stock financings is set forth below.

Series	Date of Sale	Shares of Preferred Stock <u>Sold</u>	Warrants <u>Issued</u>	Gross <u>Proceeds</u>
A	September 10, 1998	3,520	44,000	\$3,520,000
B	March 26, 1999	1,000	12,500	1,000,000
C	June 10, 1999	750	9,375	750,000
D	June 30, 1999	2,000	25,000	2,000,000
E	July 30, 1999	3,000	37,500	3,000,000
F	February 8, 2000	2,000	125,000	2,000,000
G	May 30, 2000	1,800	63,000	1,800,000
H	August 17, 2000	1,200	500,000	1,200,000

Each series of preferred stock has a stated value of \$1,000 per share. All series, other than series H, were initially convertible into common stock at a conversion price equal to 85% of the lowest sale price of the common stock on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market over the five trading days preceding the date of conversion, subject to a maximum conversion price. As a result of antidilution adjustments resulting from the issuance of the series H, since the issuance of the series H on August 17, 2000, the outstanding shares of series F and series G were convertible into common stock at a conversion price equal to 80% of the lowest sale price of the common stock on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market over the five trading days prior to the date of conversion. The number of shares of common stock that may be acquired upon conversion is determined by dividing the stated value of the number of shares of preferred stock to be converted by the conversion price. As of November 20, 2000, 579 shares of series G preferred stock, and 620 shares of series H preferred stock were outstanding. No other shares of preferred stock are outstanding. On February 7, 2000 we redeemed the 1,085 shares of series E preferred stock outstanding for \$1,000 per share, the stated value of a share of series E preferred stock.

The maximum conversion prices for the outstanding preferred stocks are: series G--\$1.63 per share; and series H--\$1.06 per share.

There is no minimum conversion price for any series of preferred stock. Consequently, there is no limit on the number of shares of common stock that may be issued upon conversion, except that the terms of each series, set forth in the certificate of designations for that series, limit:

- The number of shares of common stock that a holder of preferred stock may acquire upon conversion, together with shares beneficially owned by the holder and its affiliates, to five percent (5%) of the total outstanding shares of common stock.
- The number of shares of common stock that the holders of a series of preferred stock may acquire upon conversion to that number of shares representing 19.9% of the shares outstanding on the date upon which that series was issued, until stockholders approve the issuance upon conversion of shares in excess of that number of shares. This limitation is required by the rules of The Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc.

The number of shares of common stock issued upon conversion of each series of preferred stock as of November 20, 2000 was as follows: series A - 2,867,135; series B - 459,831; series C - 563,497; series D - 1,605,203; series E - 1,490,101; series F - 2,143,242; series G - 2,170,537; and series H - 1,899,336. The average actual conversion price for shares of each series of preferred stock converted into shares of common stock as of November 20, 2000 was as follows: series A - \$1.23; series B - \$2.17; series C - \$1.33; series D - \$1.25; series E - \$1.22; series F - \$0.93; series G - \$0.56; and series H - \$0.31.

The number of shares of common stock that may be acquired upon conversion of the outstanding shares of preferred stock as of November 20, 2000, based upon an assumed conversion prices of \$0.15, is as follows: Series G - 3,857,147, and Series H - 4,133,333.

The market price of the common stock on the date of issue of each series of preferred stock was as follows: series A - \$3.56; series B - \$1.97; series C - \$1.81; series D - \$2.97; series E - \$3.50, series F - \$2.38; series G - \$1.38; and series H - \$0.81.

The conversion price of each series of preferred stock on the date of issue would have been as follows: series A - \$2.76; series B - \$1.49; series C - \$1.41; series D - \$2.23; series E - \$2.87; series F - \$1.22; series G - \$1.06; and series H - \$0.65. The number of shares of common stock into which the preferred stock would have been convertible on the date of issue would have been as follows: series A - 1,274,000; series B - 672,000; series C - 533,000; series D - 896,000, series E - 1,046,000; series F - 1,639,000; series G - 1,694,000; and series H - 1,846,000.

Holders of preferred stock are not entitled to dividends and have no voting rights, unless required by law or with respect to certain matters relating to the preferred stock.

We may redeem the preferred stock upon written notice to the holders of the preferred stock at any time after January 28, 2001 in the case of the series G preferred stock, and March 28, 2001 in the case of the series H preferred stock, and in each case, at a redemption price equal to the greater of \$1,500 per share and the market value of the shares of common stock into which such shares of preferred stock could have been converted on the date of the notice of redemption based upon the closing price of the common stock on that date.

The conversion price and the number of shares of common stock that may be acquired upon conversion are subject to adjustment in the event of a stock split, stock dividend, reorganization, reclassification or issuance of shares of common stock (or securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for common stock) prior to July 28, 2001 in the case of the series G preferred stock, and prior to September 28, 2001 in the case of the series H preferred stock, and in each case, at less than the then conversion price in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act if we grant the purchasers of such shares (or other securities) the right to demand registration of such shares.

Where You Can Find More Information

We file reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any document we file at the Public Reference Room of the SEC at Judiciary Plaza, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549 and at the Regional Offices of the SEC at Seven World Trade Center, Suite 1300, New York, New York 10048 and at 500 West Madison Street, Suite 1400, Chicago, Illinois 60661-2511. Please call 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information concerning the Public Reference Room. Our filings also are available to the public from the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. We distribute to our stockholders annual reports containing audited financial statements.

Information Incorporated By Reference

The SEC allows us to "incorporate by reference" the information we file with it, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be part of this prospectus, and information we file later with the SEC will automatically update and supersede this information. We incorporate by reference the documents listed below and any future filings we make with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act until the offering is completed:

1. Annual Report on Form 10-KSB and Form 10-KSB/A (Amendment No. 1) for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1999, including any amendments to that report.
2. Quarterly Reports on Form 10-QSB for the fiscal quarters ended March 31, 2000, June 30, 2000, and September 30, 2000, including any amendments to those reports.
3. The description of the common stock contained in our Registration Statement on Form 8-A (File No. 1-12471) under Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act.

You may request a copy of these filings, at no cost, by writing or calling us at:

INTEGRATED SURGICAL SYSTEMS
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Davis, California 95616-4884

Attention: Corporate Secretary

Telephone: (530) 792-2600

Legal Matters

The validity of the shares of common stock offered hereby has been passed upon by Snow Becker Krauss P.C., 605 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10158.

Experts

Ernst & Young LLP, independent auditors, have audited our consolidated financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-KSB and Form 10-KSB/A (Amendment No. 1) for the year ended December 31, 1999, as set forth in their report (which contains an explanatory paragraph describing conditions that raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern as described in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements), which is incorporated by reference in this prospectus and elsewhere in the registration statement. Our consolidated financial statements are incorporated by reference in reliance on Ernst & Young LLP's report, given on their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

Part II

Information Not Required in the Prospectus

Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution

The expenses payable by the Company in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities being registered are estimated below:

SEC registration fee	\$ 382.92
Legal fees and expenses	10,000.00

Accounting fees	10,000.00
Miscellaneous	118.78
Total	<u>\$ 20,500.00</u>

Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers

Article VI of the Registrant's by-laws provides that a director or officer shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement (provided such settlement is approved in advance by the Registrant) in connection with certain actions, suits or proceedings, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation - a "derivative action" if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. A similar standard of care is applicable in the case of derivative actions, except that indemnification only extends to expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred in connection with the defense or settlement of such an action, except that no person who has been adjudged to be liable to the Registrant shall be entitled to indemnification unless a court determines that despite such adjudication of liability but in view of all of the circumstances of the case, the person seeking indemnification is fairly and reasonably entitled to be indemnified for such expenses as the court deems proper.

Article 6.5 of the Registrant's by-laws further provides that directors and officers are entitled to be paid by the Registrant the expenses incurred in defending the proceedings specified above in advance of their final disposition, provided that such payment will only be made upon delivery to the Registrant by the indemnified party of an undertaking to repay all amounts so advanced if it is ultimately determined that the person receiving such payments is not entitled to be indemnified.

Article 6.4 of the Registrant's by-laws provides that a person indemnified under Article VI of the bylaws may contest any determination that a director, officer, employee or agent has not met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the by-laws by petitioning a court of competent jurisdiction.

Article 6.6 of the Registrant's by-laws provides that the right to indemnification and the payment of expenses incurred in defending a proceeding in advance of its final disposition conferred in the Article will not be exclusive of any other right which any person may have or acquire under the by-laws, or any statute or agreement, or otherwise.

Finally, Article 6.7 of the Registrant's by-laws provides that the Registrant may maintain insurance, at its expense, to reimburse itself and directors and officers of the Registrant and of its direct and indirect subsidiaries against any expense, liability or loss, whether or not the Registrant would have the power to indemnify such persons against such expense, liability or loss under the provisions of Article VI of the by-laws. The Registrant maintains and has in effect such insurance.

Article II of the Registrant's certificate of incorporation eliminates the personal liability of the Registrant's directors to the Registrant or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of their fiduciary duties as a director to the fullest extent provided by Delaware law. Section 102 (b) (7) of the DGCL provides for the elimination off such personal liability, except for liability (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Registrant or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) under Section 174 of the DGCL or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived any improper personal benefit.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act" may be permitted to directors, officers or persons controlling the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, the Registrant has been informed that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is therefore unenforceable.

Item 16. Exhibits

<u>Exhibit No</u>	<u>Description</u>
4.1	- Form of Series G Preferred Stock Purchase Agreement(1)
4.2	- Certificate of Designations for Series G Convertible Preferred Stock (included as Exhibit A to Exhibit 4.1)(1)
4.3	- Form of warrant issued in connection with the Series G Convertible Preferred Stock financing (included as Exhibit B to Exhibit 4.1)(1)
4.4	- Form of Registration Rights Agreement for the Series G Convertible Preferred Stock financing (included as Exhibit C to Exhibit 4.1)(1)
4.5	- Form of Series H Preferred Stock Purchase Agreement (2)
4.6	- Certificate of Designations for Series H Convertible Preferred Stock (included as Exhibit A to Exhibit 4.5)
4.7	- Form of warrant issued in connection with the Series H Convertible Preferred Stock financing (included as Exhibit B to Exhibit 4.5)
4.8	- Form of Registration Rights Agreement for the Series H Convertible Preferred Stock financing (included as Exhibit C to Exhibit 4.5)
5.1	- Opinion of Snow Becker Krauss P.C.
23.1	- Consent of Snow Becker Krauss P.C. (included in Exhibit 5.1)
23.2	- Consent of Ernst & Young LLP, independent auditors.

1. Incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-40710), declared effective on July 28, 2000.
2. Incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-45706), declared effective on September 28, 2000.

Item 17. Undertakings

(a) Rule 415 Offering

The undersigned small business issuer hereby undertakes that it will:

(1) File, during any period in which it offers or sells securities, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement to:

(i) Include any prospectus required by section 10(a) (3) of the Securities Act.

(ii) Reflect in the prospectus any facts or events which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registrant statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement.

(iii) Include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration.

(2) For determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) Remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered that remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(e) Request for Acceleration of Effective Date

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act") may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the small business issuer pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or other-wise, the small business issuer has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the small business issuer of the expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer, or controlling person of the small business issuer in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the small business issuer will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized, in the City of Davis, State of California, on November 27, 2000.

INTEGRATED SURGICAL SYSTEMS, INC.

By: /s/ Ramesh C. Trivedi

By: /s/ Louis Kirchner

Ramesh C. Trivedi
Chief Executive Officer and President
(Principal Executive Officer)

Louis Kirchner
Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Each person whose signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints Ramesh C. Trivedi and Louis Kirchner, or either of them, as his true and lawful attorney-in- fact and agent, with power of substitution and resubstitution, for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this registration statement, and to file the same, with exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, hereby ratifying all that said attorney-in-fact and agent or his substitute or substitutes, or any of them, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on November 27, 2000.

Signatures

/s/ Ramesh C. Trivedi

Ramesh C. Trivedi

Falah Al-Kadi

/s/ John N. Kapoor

John N. Kapoor

Title

Chief Executive Officer and President
and a Director
(Principal Executive Officer)

Director

Director

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Board of Directors
Integrated Surgical Systems, Inc.
1850 Research Park Drive
Davis, California 95616-4884

Ladies and Gentlemen:

You have requested our opinion, as counsel for Integrated Surgical Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the registration statement on Form S-3 (the "Registration Statement"), under the Securities Act of 1933, filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the sale of 6,594,048 shares (the "Shares") of common stock, \$.01 par value (the "Common Stock"), by the selling security holders named in the Registration Statement that they may acquire upon conversion of the Company's series G and series H convertible preferred stock (the "Preferred Stock") as described in the Registration Statement.

We have examined such records and documents and made such examinations of law as we have deemed relevant in connection with this opinion. Based upon the foregoing, it is our opinion that:

1. The Company has been duly organized, is validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware.
2. All of the Shares have been duly authorized.
3. The shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the Preferred Stock, when issued in accordance with the terms of the Certificate of Designations authorizing the issuance of the Preferred Stock will be legally issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the reference to our firm under the caption "Legal Matters" in the Registration Statement. In so doing, we do not admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act or the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission promulgated thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ SNOW BECKER KRAUSS P.C.

CONSENT OF ERNST & YOUNG LLP, INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

We consent to the reference to our firm under the caption "Experts" in the Registration Statement on Form S-3 and related Prospectus of Integrated Surgical Systems, Inc. for the registration of 6,594,048 shares of its common stock and to the incorporation by reference therein of our report dated March 10, 2000, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of Integrated Surgical Systems, Inc. included in its Annual Report (Form 10-KSB and Form 10-KSB/A (Amendment No. 1)), for the year ended December 31, 1999 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

ERNST & YOUNG LLP

Sacramento, California
December 1, 2000