doctors of engineering
Prostheses such as artificial hands, arms, and legs are great achievements of mechanical engineering, being largely assemblages of links, rods, springs, pulleys, cables, and more — machine components, that is. Biomedical engineers know a great deal. In both engineering applications, the parts are brought together to replicate human movements and functions and thereby to improve the quality of life of patients who have suffered the loss of limbs or their joints and functions. Engineers work closely with medical doctors and therapists developing artificial hearts, pacemakers, dialysis machines, tissues, drug delivery systems, medical machines, surgical instruments, and countless other medical devices.