[CLAIMS]

[Claim 1]

A sterilizing instrument comprising:

a medium supply portion for supplying a heated sterilizing medium to the interior of a sterilizing subject; and

a support portion for supporting a sterilizing subject opening portion, which is an opening through which the sterilizing medium is discharged from the sterilizing subject,

wherein the medium supply portion being disposed in the center area of the support portion,

the sterilizing medium heated by a heating portion being guided into the interior of the medium supply portion, and the support portion being heated by the guided sterilizing medium,

the sterilizing medium discharged from the sterilizing subject opening portion is discharged to the outside through a gap portion formed between the support portion and the sterilizing subject opening portion,

a top portion support portion supporting a top portion side of the sterilizing subject opening portion being formed in the support portion,

the top portion support portion includes:

a drop hole being a discharging portion for discharging, to the outside, the sterilizing medium not discharged through the gap portion; and

an inclined surface inclining toward the drop hole for guiding the sterilizing medium to the drop hole.

[Claim 2]

The sterilizing instrument according to claim 1, wherein the top portion support portion including a top portion contact portion contacting and supporting a top portion of the sterilizing subject opening portion,

a side face support portion being formed on an outer side of the top portion support portion,

the side face support portion includes:

a side face contact portion contacting a side face portion of the sterilizing subject opening portion and supporting the sterilizing subject opening portion; and

a recessed support portion having recessed grooves,

the "top portion contact portion and side face contact portion" and the "inclined surface and recessed support portion" disposed alternately so as to be adjacent to each other,

the sterilizing subject opening portion disposed on the support portion, not contacting the inclined surface and the recessed support portion by forming a gap portion.

[Claim 3]

The sterilizing instrument according to claim 2, wherein the inclined surface is formed in the top portion support portion so as to extend from a base end portion of the medium supply portion to a base end portion of the side face support portion, excluding the drop hole.

[Claim 4]

The sterilizing instrument according to claim 2 or 3, wherein the drop hole is formed in the top portion support portion in the vicinity of the side face support portion.

[Claim 5]

A sterilizing device comprising:

a sterilizing device main body portion including a medium storage portion for storing the sterilizing medium; and

the sterilizing instrument according to any one of claims 1 to 4.