

Mathematical Origami

Folding the Future!

Miura Fold

(ミウラ折り, Miura-ori) a method of folding a flat surface such as a sheet of paper into a smaller area. The fold is named for its inventor, Japanese astrophysicist Kōryō Miura.

Uses:

Inflatable membrane structure of Sprout satellite Surgical Stents Flat folded furniture Way to stack hydrogel films Nifty map for your back pocket!



Chomper

A grabber with no screws, hinges or mechanisms.

Uses:

Medical Device Fidget





Spiral Fold

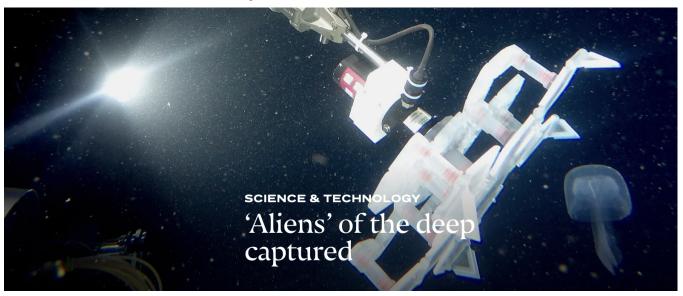
Spins to fold and packs small



One of Brigham Young University engineering professor Larry Howell's initial origami projects was a solar array that compacter to 9 feet during launch, but deployed to 82 feet across in space to generate power. Larry Howell



Grabber to capture delicate sea creatures.



The rotary-actuated dodecahedron (RAD) sampler has five origami-inspired "petals" arranged around a central point that fold up to safely capture marine organisms, like this