

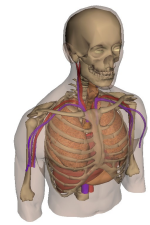


*The Digital Human:
Using Computers to
Improve Health*

*Bill Lorensen
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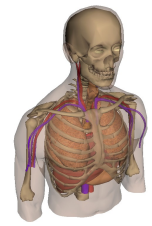
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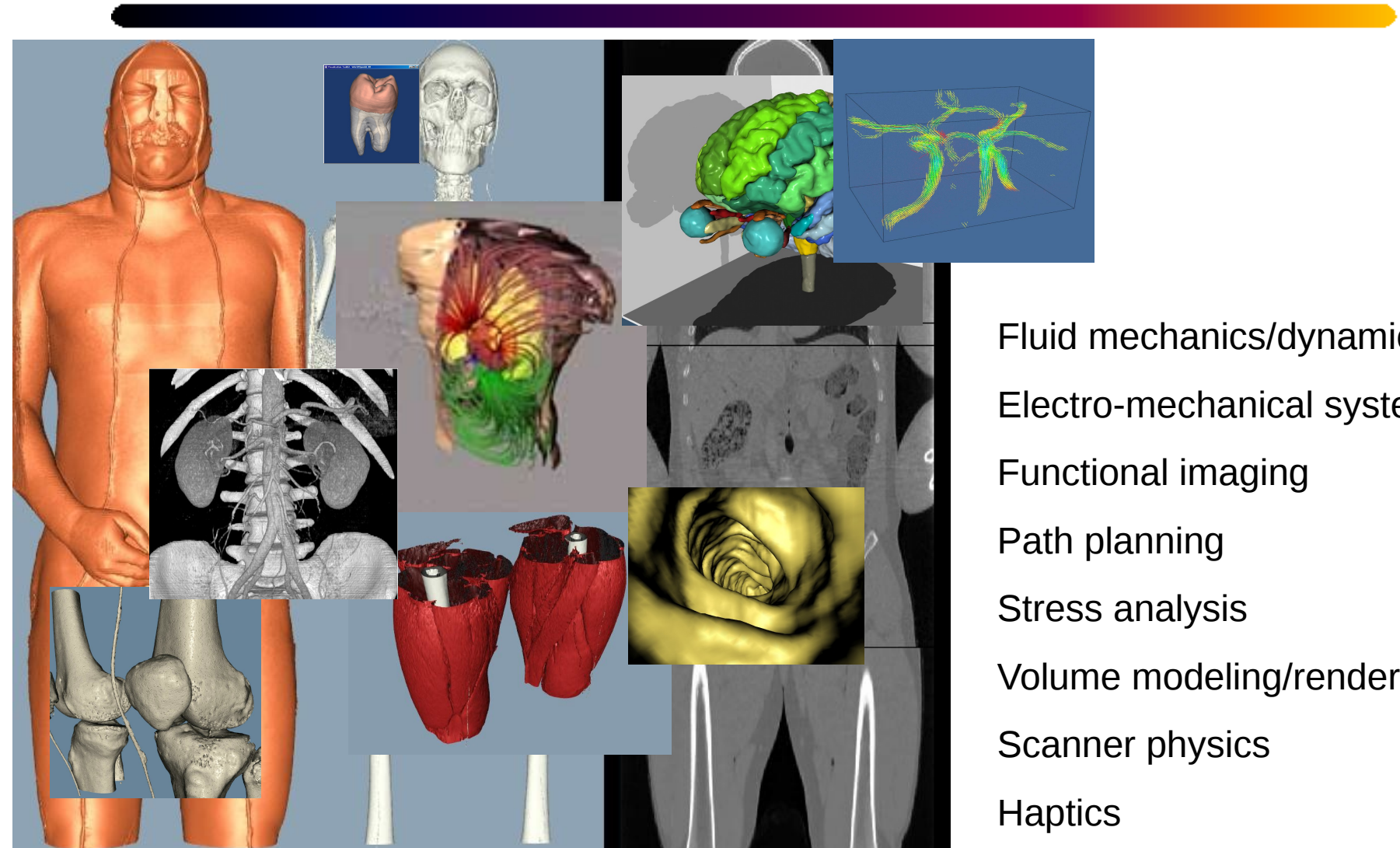


The Vision

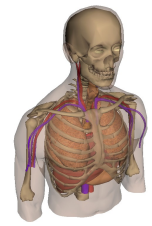
Build a clear and accurate simulation of the human body starting with molecules and proteins, progressing to cells, tissues and organs, and finally the entire human anatomic and physiological system



The Digital Human - Beyond Pictures



- Fluid mechanics/dynamics
- Electro-mechanical systems
- Functional imaging
- Path planning
- Stress analysis
- Volume modeling/rendering
- Scanner physics
- Haptics

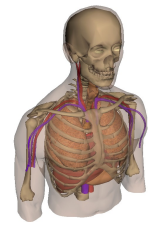


In Ten Years, The Body Double

The Body Double

a patient specific model that serves as a repository for diagnostic, pathologic and clinical information

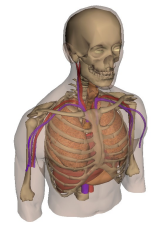
- Predictive modeling of specific biological systems
- Synthesis of diagnostic imaging, modeling and simulation with real-time therapeutics
- Validated and accurate simulations of major organs and organ systems
- High fidelity medical simulation for training and accreditation



Why Now?

State-of-the-art is improving rapidly

- Experimental and sensor data are ready to support complex simulations
- Information science and hardware advances are ready to make interoperable frameworks a reality
- Numerous non-interoperable approaches underway, but flexibility remains to interface these efforts

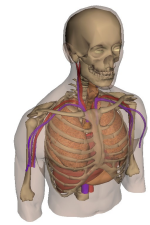


What will it take in resources?

- The problem is too large for one institution
- An ad-hoc consortium of industry, academia and government met in the summer of 2000 to establish feasibility and to assess interest
- The group has met several times to refine strategy and to define a technical approach

“Immediate results can be expected from simulations already being sponsored by the NIH and other agencies, it is likely that a complete first draft of the Digital Human will require ten years and over a billion dollars.”,

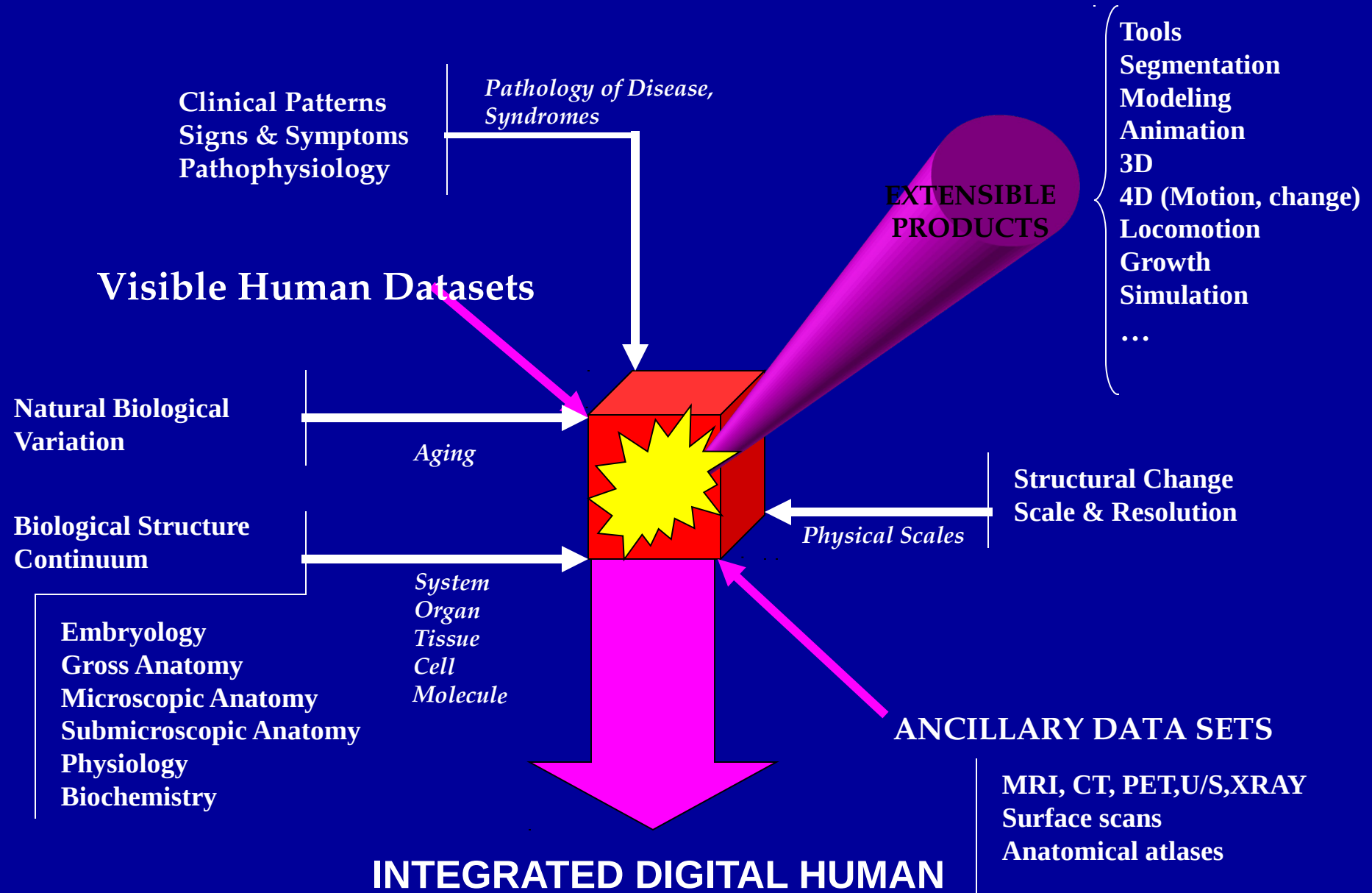
Digital Human Consortium White Paper, August, 2000



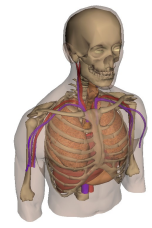
Technical Objectives

- Model and simulate all relevant physical scales of the human
- Simulate all relevant time scales and stages of development
- Allow collaborative, worldwide development and sharing
- Facilitate integration into commercial products, medical education and physician training

Cornerstone Elements of the Digital Human*

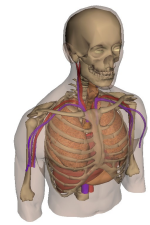


* From the Digital Human Consortium Workshop, July 23-24, 2001, Bethesda, MD



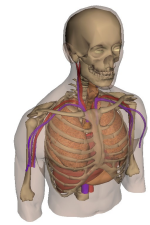
Modeling of Biological Systems is Difficult

- Many physical scales may be active and important
- Dynamic interaction — continuous motion and change in components (mechanical, electrical, chemical)
- Highly non-linear, large deformations, history modifies response
- Massively parallel systems with hierarchical signaling/control
- Few rigid, static surfaces; freely changing interfaces
- Enormous diversity between individuals
- All biological objects evolved from others and inherit/conserves many characteristics
- Vast amount remains unknown — even fundamentals



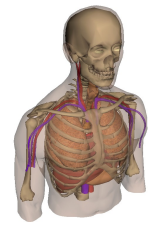
Grand Challenges in Biomedical Simulation

- Great progress already for many body systems
- Multiple processes (enzyme kinetics, heart action, circulatory physiology, gait, growth, ...)
- Multiple timescales (10^{-12} sec molecule events, 10^{-3} sec force display, 10^{-1} sec graphics, sec \rightarrow ... \rightarrow decade prognosis)
- Multiple methods (finite element, computational fluid dynamics, compartment models, multi-body mechanics, particle flow, Monte Carlo, ...)
- Disjoint funding, communication, journals, conferences, etc.
- Model interaction for different scales or organs is rare
- Interaction of real events at different scales or organs can be critical for the human involved (e.g. heart attack)
- Lack of patient specific models



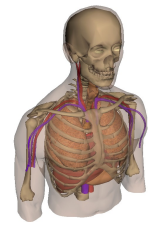
Long Range Benefits

- Improve the Practice of Medicine
 - Design and test more accurate medical devices and procedures
 - Help doctors and nurses communicate with patients about health and disease
 - Reduce medical errors
 - Provide a “body-double” for each patient, to personalize diagnosis and therapy
- Simulated human surrogates to improve the safety of cars, aircraft and other vehicles, and for environmental exposure



Short Term – 1 to 5 years

- Couple physical models of the lung to pulmonary performance
- Bone and Joint Modeling, both static and dynamic
- Systems modeling, e.g. circulatory, central nervous system
- Static fluid analysis for patient-specific arterial flow
- Software frameworks for interoperability across disciplines



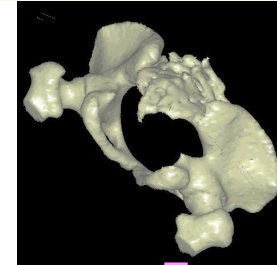
Bone and Joint Modeling



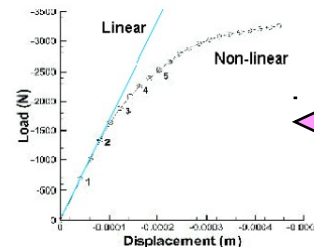
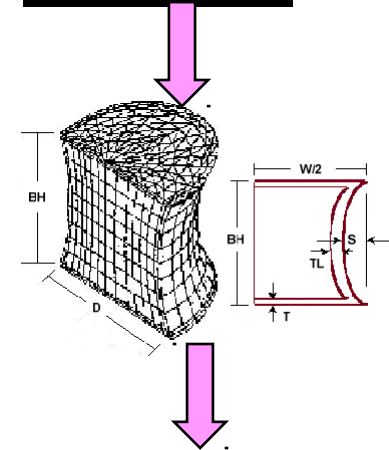
Volume data



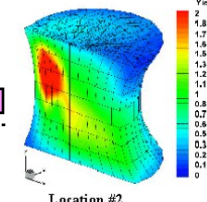
3D model of the part



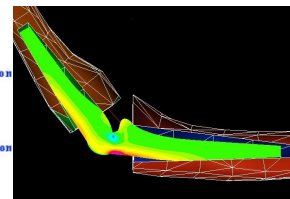
- Generate 3D models of patient from CT data
- Perform stress and load carrying analysis of bones
- Predict motions that can accelerate fracture growth in the bones
- Rapidly prototype matched joints or replacement bones for an individual



Load carrying analysis



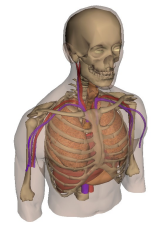
Plastic deformation
Elastic deformation



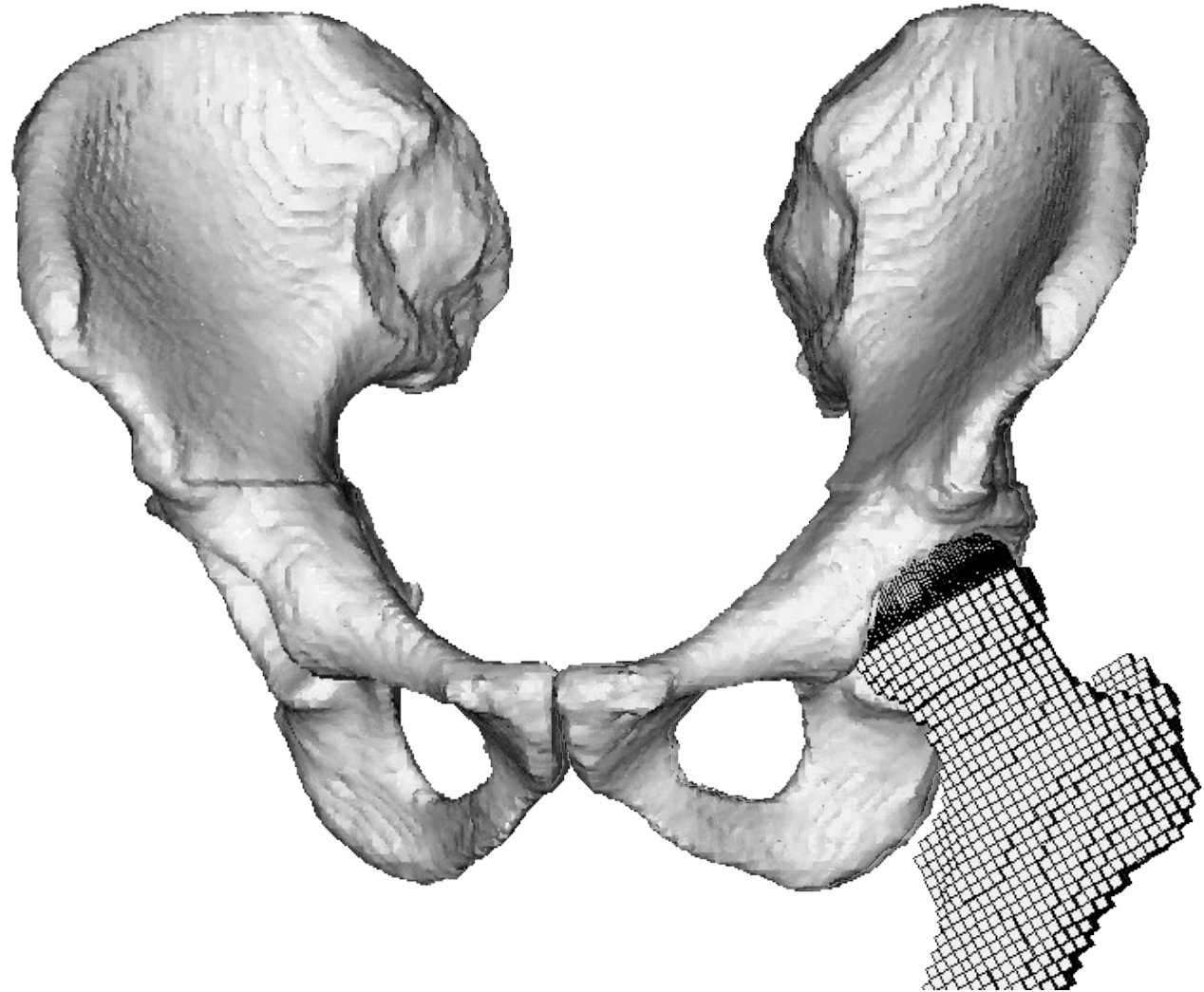
Parametric modeling & Stress analysis of human part

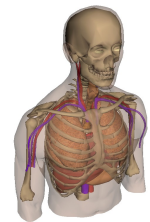
Service & recurring earnings

New Scanner Orders

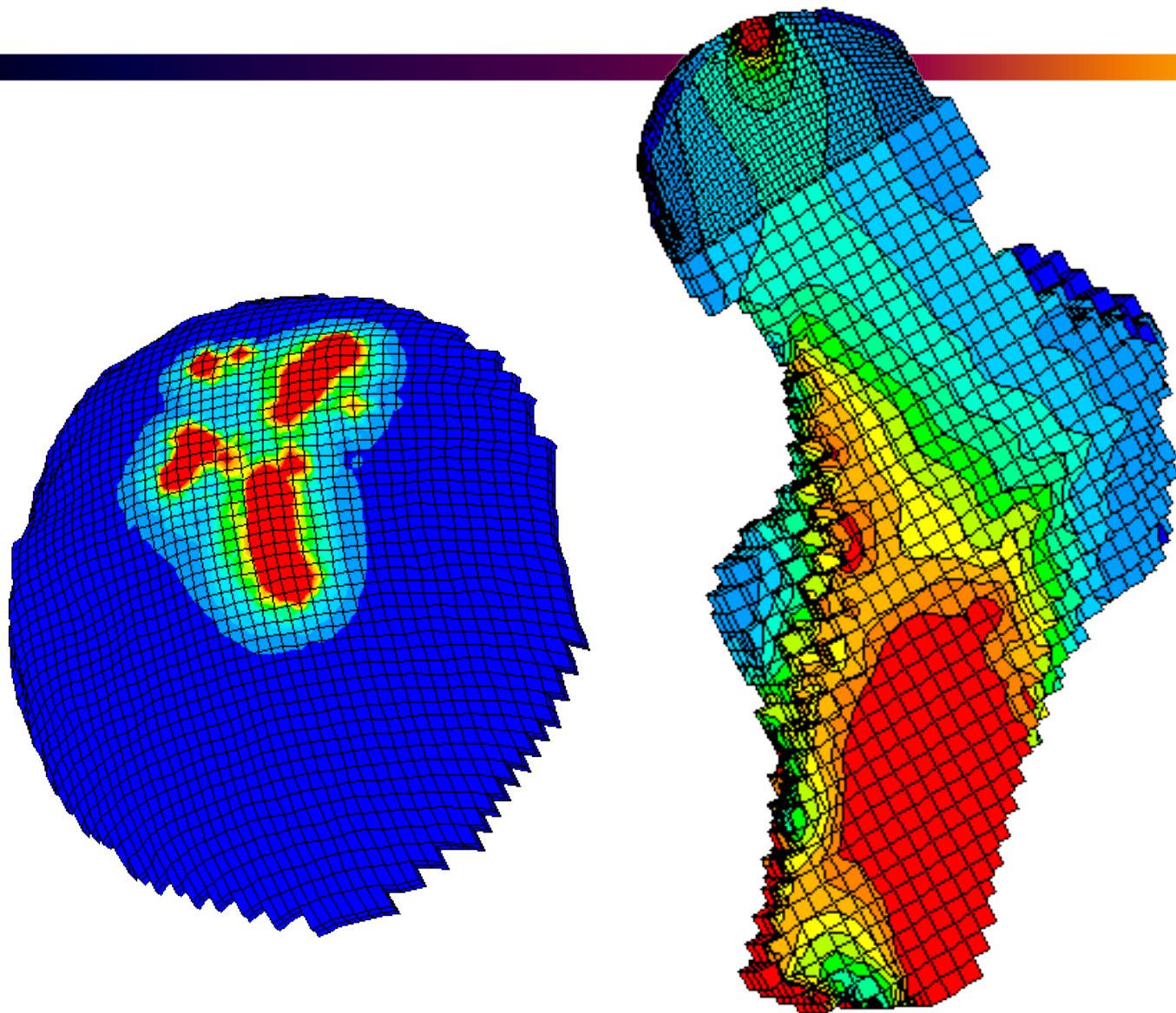


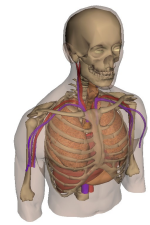
Complete Contact Model





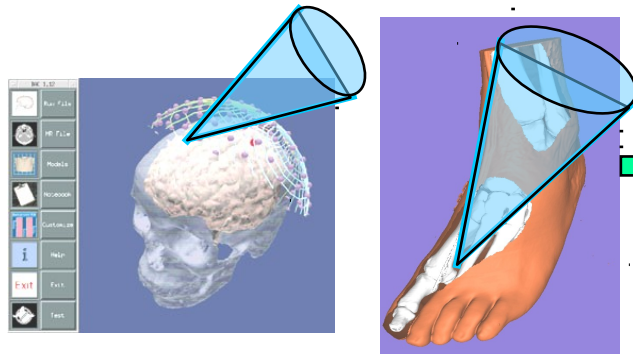
Resultant Stress Contours



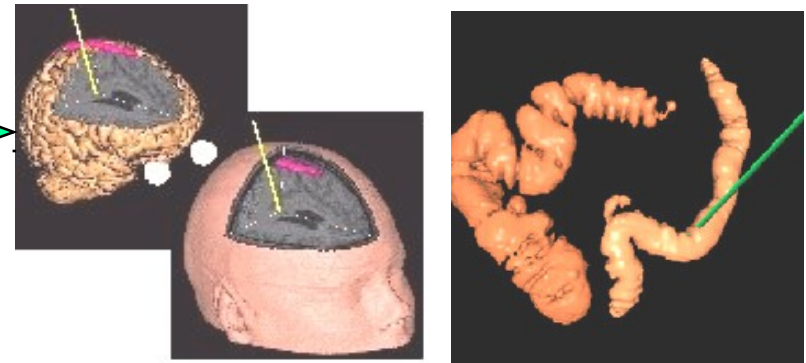


Organ accessibility / Surgical simulation

Configuration space

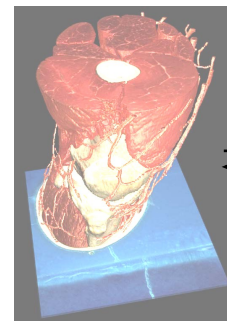


Endoscopy applications

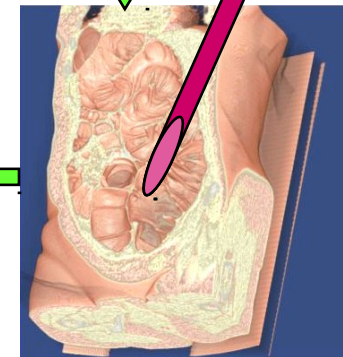


- Determine configuration space of internal organs from the digital model
 - Endoscopy and surgical motion planning
- Surgical simulation and training
 - Mechanics of soft tissue deformation
 - Real-time haptic rendering

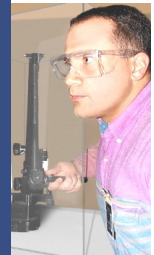
Economies of scope for other commercial opportunities

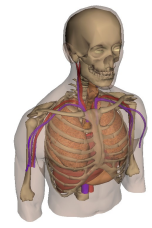


Real-time soft tissue incision/deformation modeling

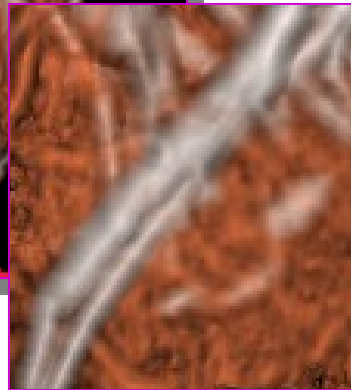
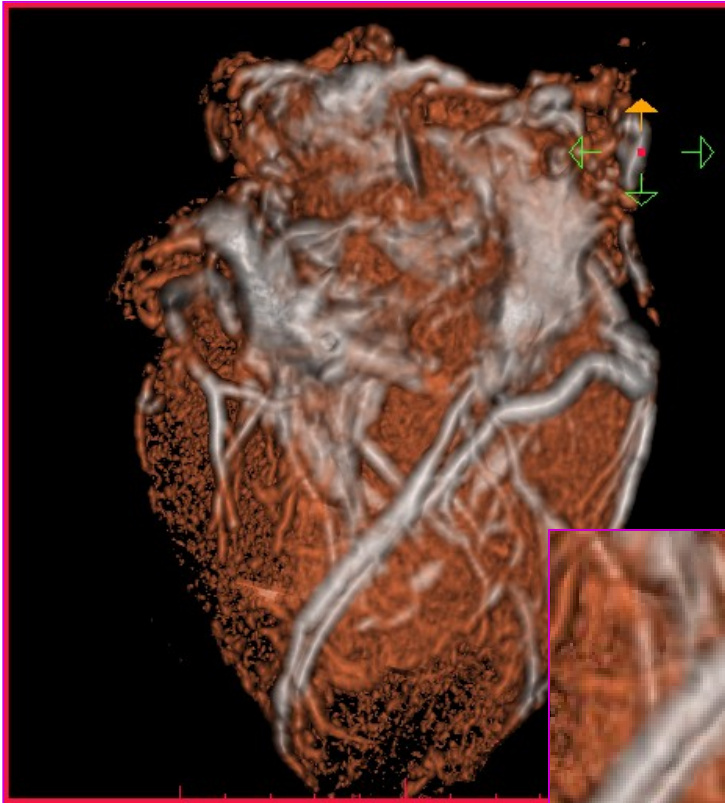


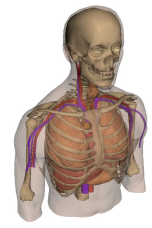
Training/Rehearsal





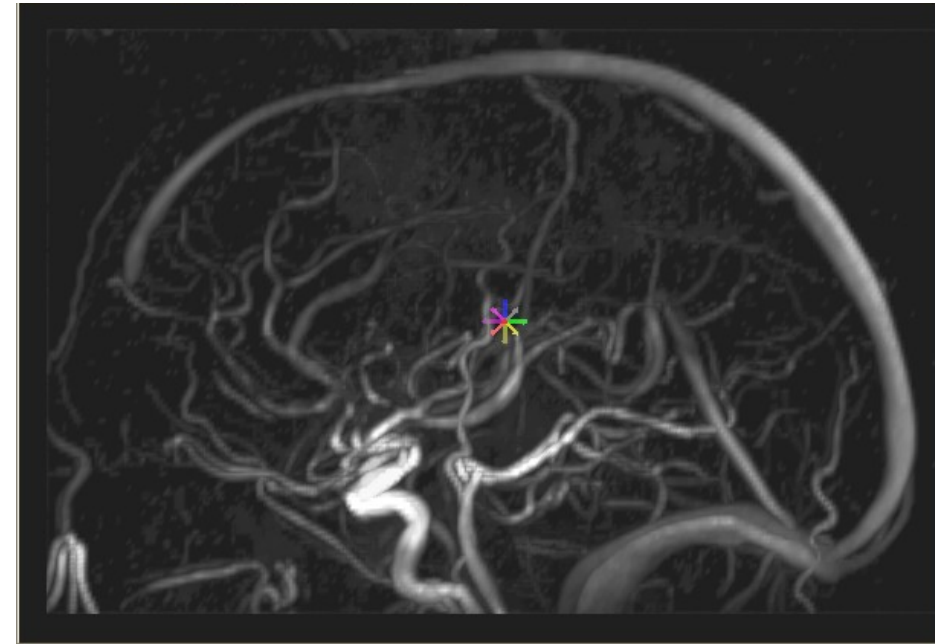
High Resolution Imaging





Applications

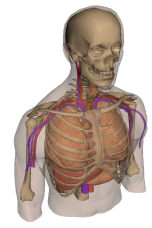
Magnetic
Resonance
Angiography



Maximum Intensity Projection

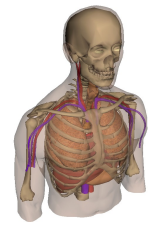


Segmentation result



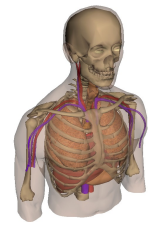
Long Term – 5 to 10 years

- Patient specific dynamics of the heart
- Patient specific subsystem models (CNS, circulatory)
- Cell to tissue to organ models
- Human growth and development models
- Systems engineering of the complete Digital Human



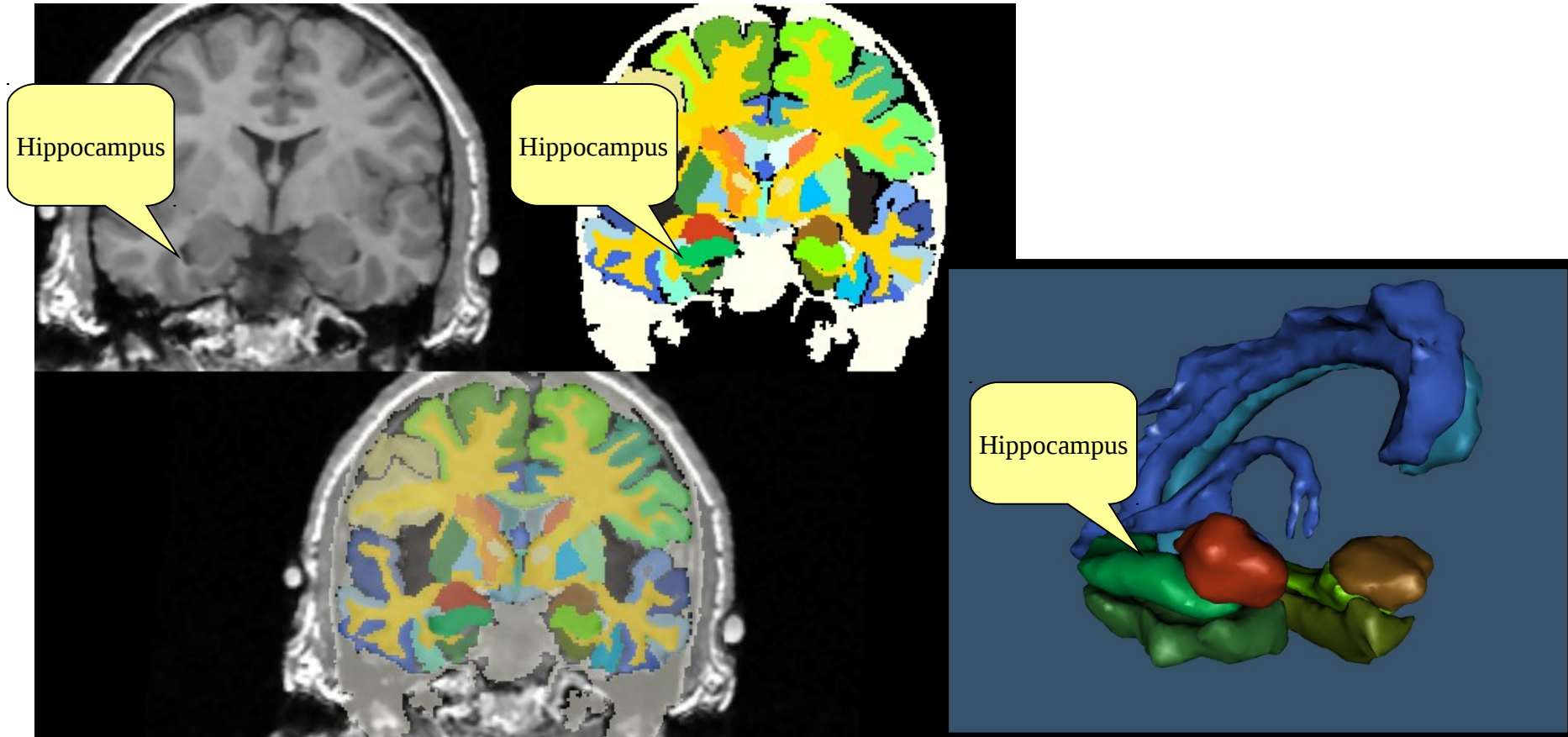
Other Applications

- Patient specific scanning protocols simulated on the Body Double
- Pulmonary models for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)
- Individualized drug therapy
- Military
 - Simulate the effect of weapons and radiation on models of soldiers
- Automotive
 - Crash tests, ergonomics
- Forensics
 - Regenerate portions of human from the skeletal remains
 - Digital autopsy
- Commercial
 - Market applications with the state of the art scanning hardware

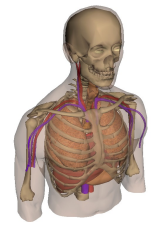


MRI 3D Volumetrics

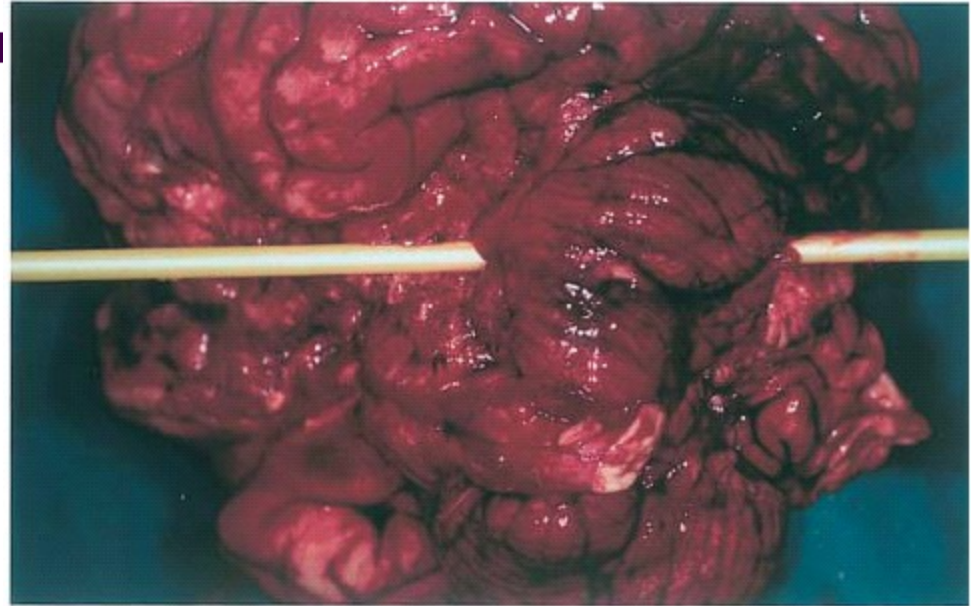
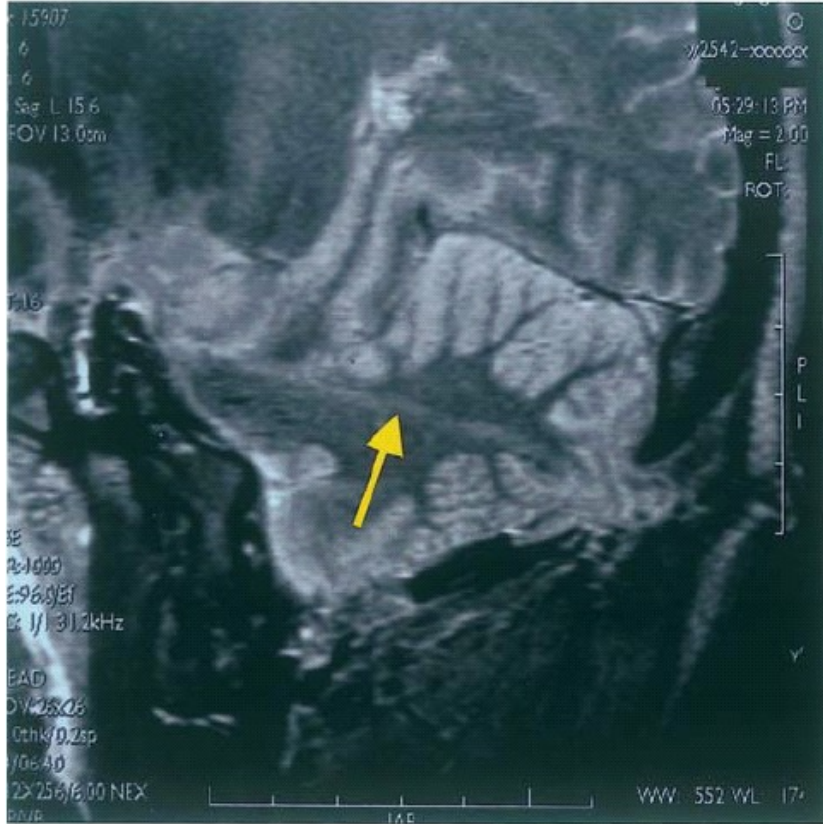
“A discriminant function analysis demonstrated that a linear combination of the volumes of the hippocampus and the temporal horn of the lateral ventricles differentiated 100% of the patients and controls from one another.”¹



Killiany, et. Al., Temporal Lobe Regions on Magnetic Resonance Imaging Identify Patients with Early Alzheimer's Disease, Arch Neurol 50:949-954, 1993

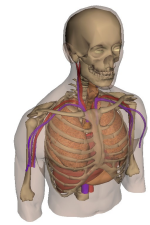


Virtual Autopsy

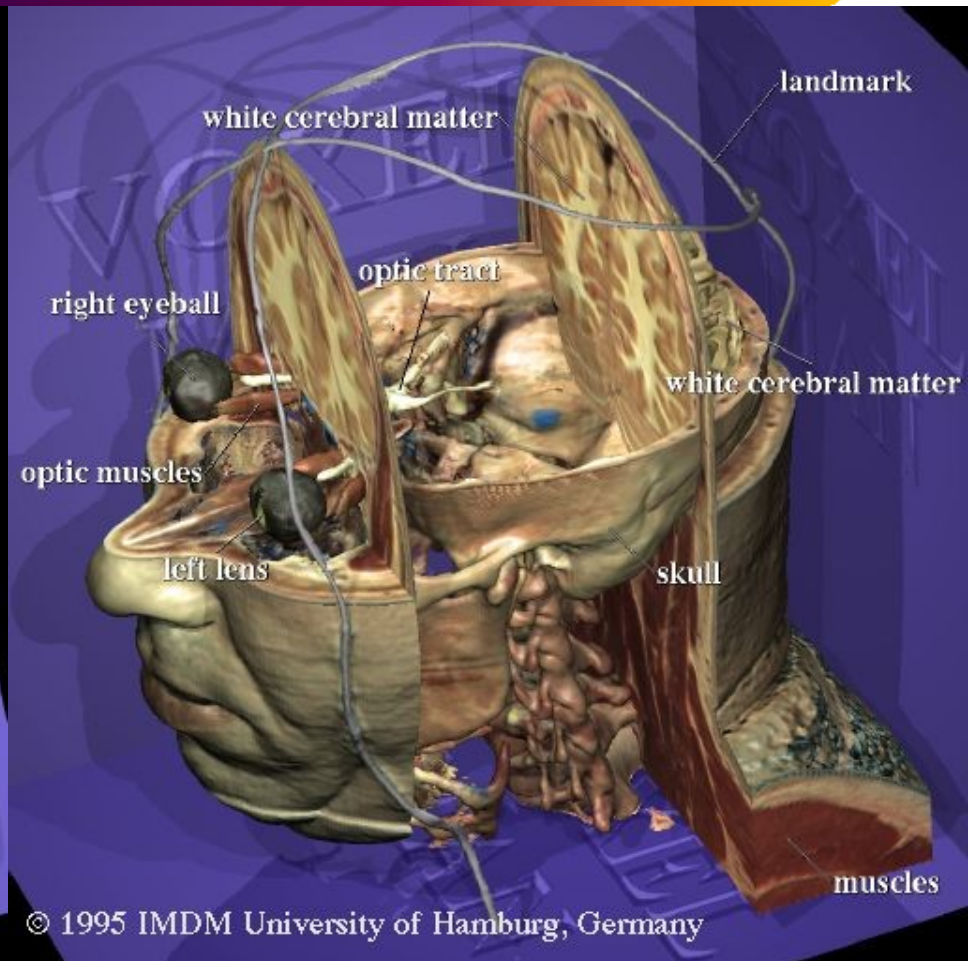
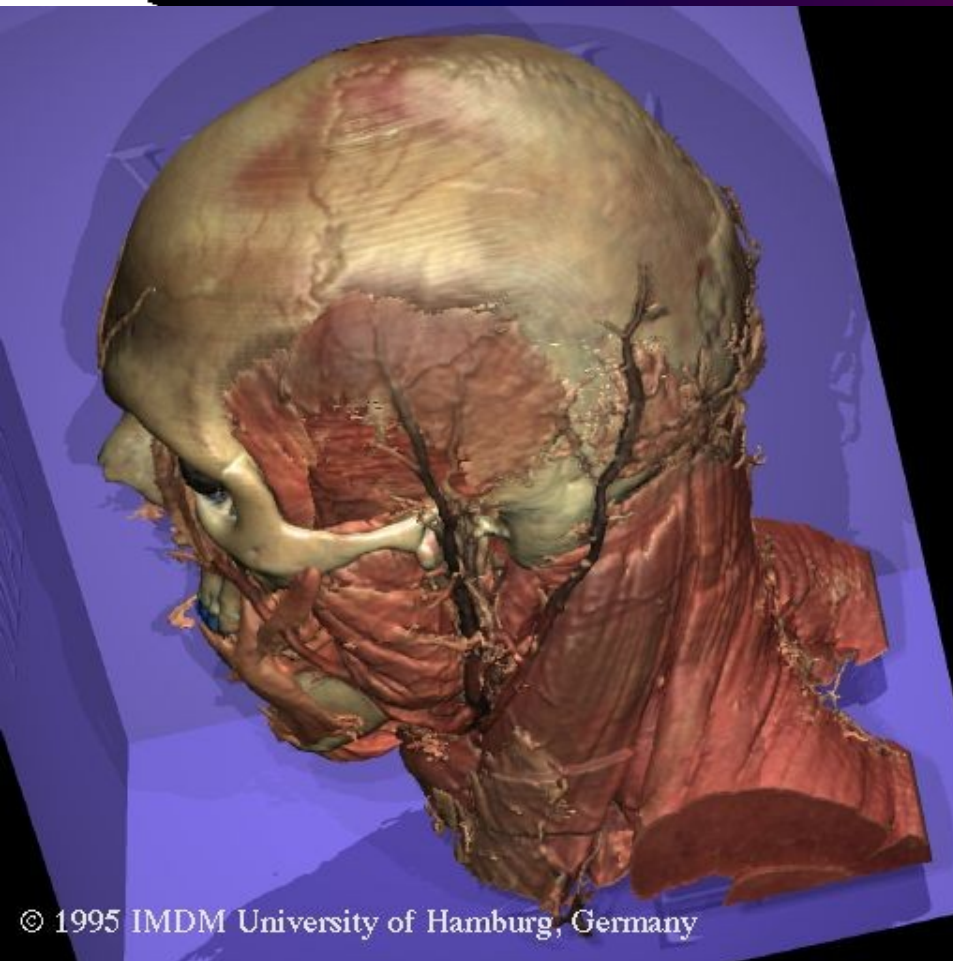


Virtopsy, a New Imaging Horizon in Forensic Pathology: Virtual Autopsy by Postmortem Multislice Computed Tomography (MSCT) and Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)—a Feasibility Study*

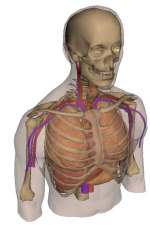
Michael J. Thali, et. al. J Forensic Sci, Mar. 2003, Vol. 48, No. 2



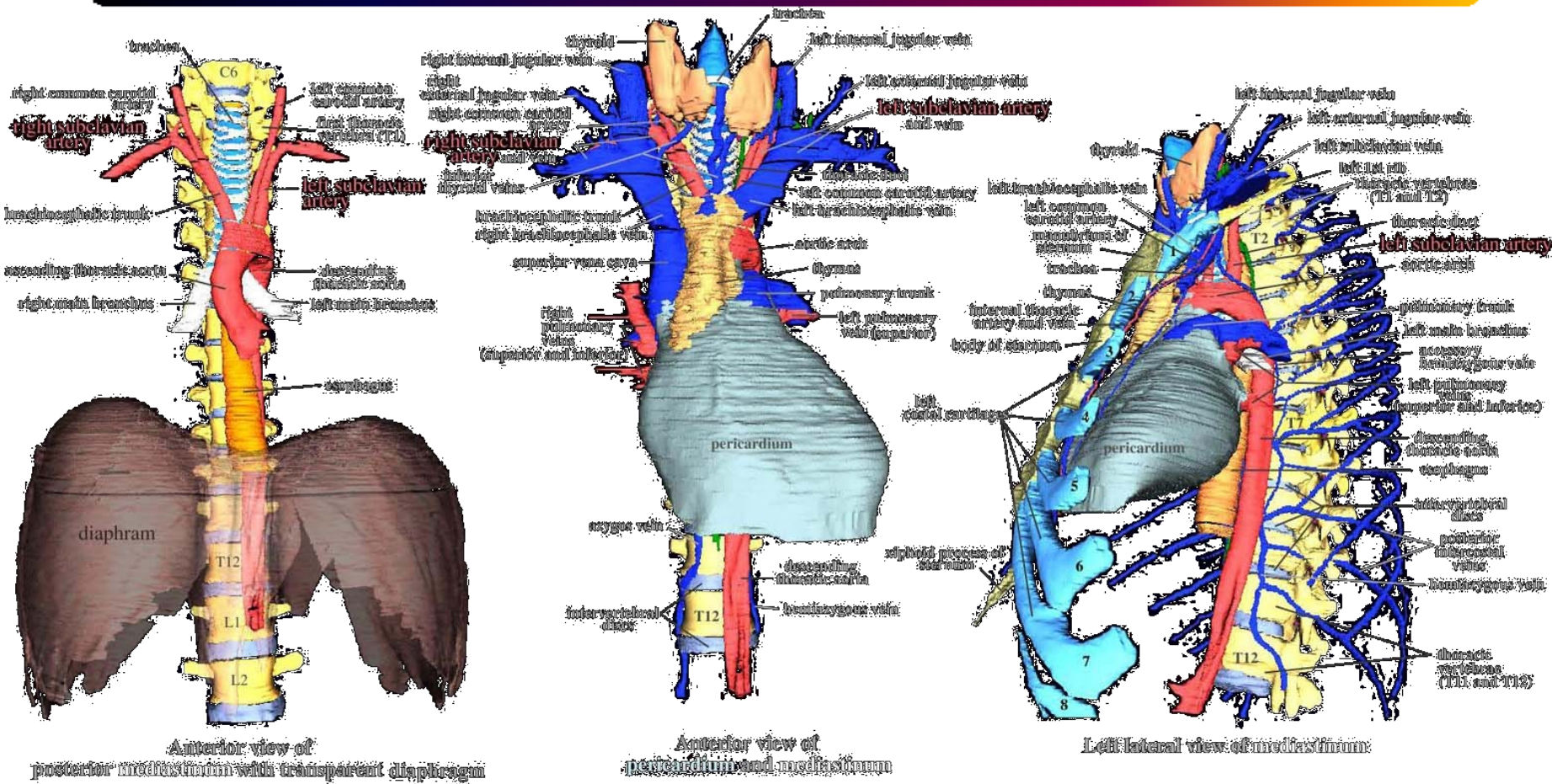
Digital Atlases



Provided by K, Hoehne, Univ of Hamburg



High Resolution Atlases Derived from Imaging



OR of the Future

Operating Rooms of the Future

Surgical Command Center



- Few doctors for many patients
- V-scan for information fusion and decision support
- On-site or remote

Personal Information Carrier Dog Tag



- Soldier's scans/history stored on PIC dog tag

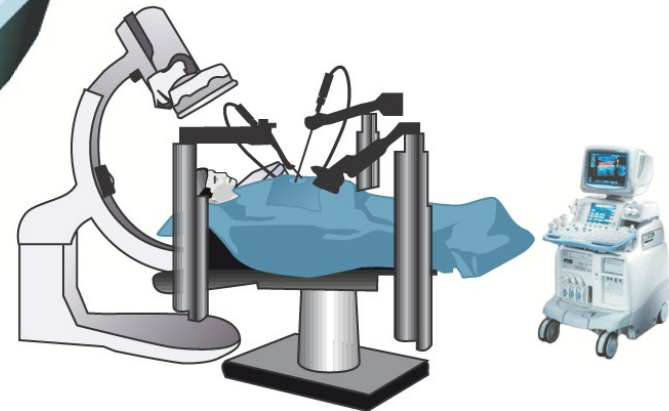
Automated Imaging/Testing

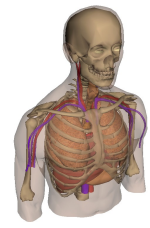
- CT
- MR
- PET
- Genetic Testing
- Molecular Imaging
- Ultrasound

High resolution scans for initial body scan/checkups. Lower resolution, real-time updates for triage situations.

Robotic Surgical Suites

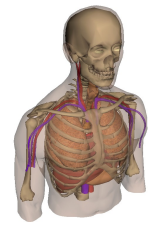
- Navigation platform and tools (robotics)
- C-arm x-ray for interventional imaging





External Interest

- Government
 - NASA, advanced medical care for astronauts
 - DARPA, Virtual Soldier, cell modeling for biological warfare
 - NIH, organ models
 - NSF, advanced computation methods
 - FBI, facial reconstruction, forensic analysis
- University
 - Univ of Utah, electro-mechanical cardiac modeling
 - Stanford, patient specific fluid flow
 - Harvard, clinical uses of segmentation/registration
 - Univ of Colorado, visible human data acquisition
 - Berkeley, cell modeling
 - Washington University, brain modeling



DARPA Virtual Soldier Team

Government



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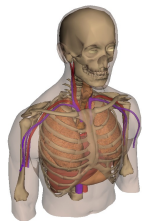
Corporate

SimQuest International, LLC
General Electric Corporation
Kitware, Inc.

Academic

University of Michigan
Stanford University
University of Washington
University of Utah
UCSD

The General's (DARPA's) View of the Virtual Soldier (Courtesy of Henry Kelly, FAS)



Preparation

Detailed Individual Medical Records



Store records on "dog tags"



Build computer model of "generic" patient



Post wounding

Post wounding information

Pre-wounding information

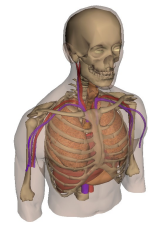


Use pre and post wounding individual data to create predictive model of specific patient



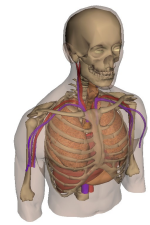
Computer model provides total informational awareness for forward medical team



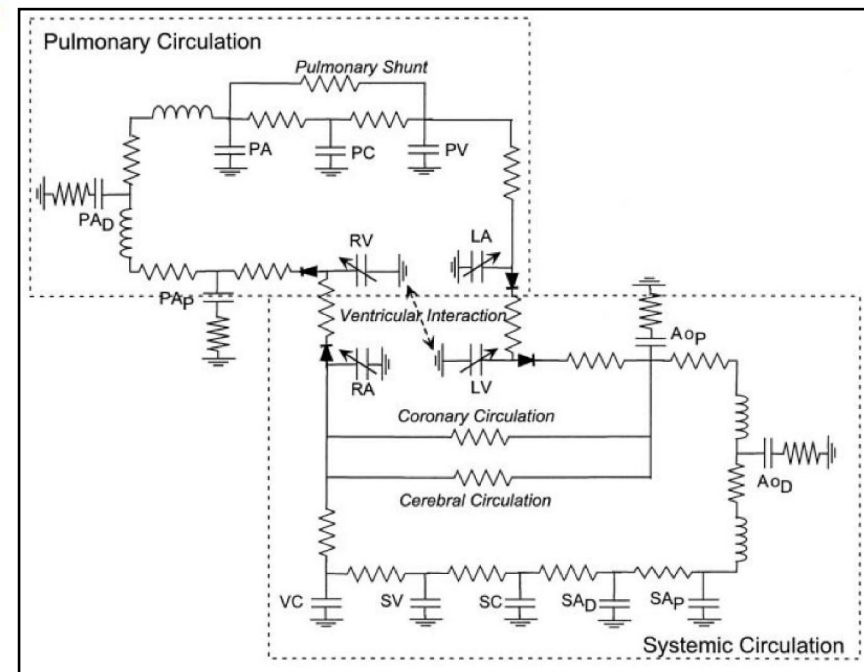
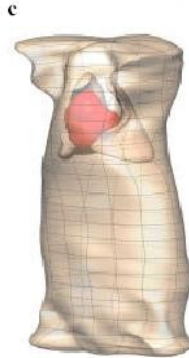
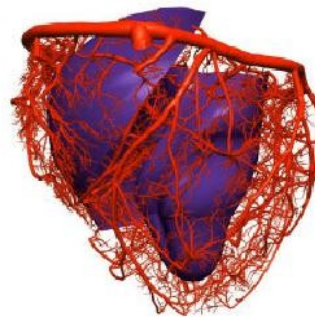
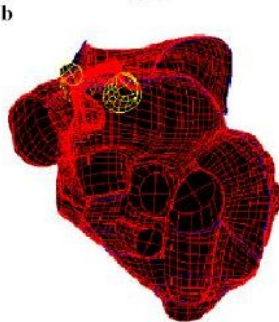
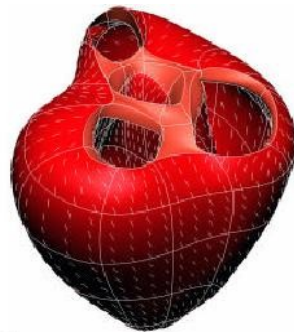
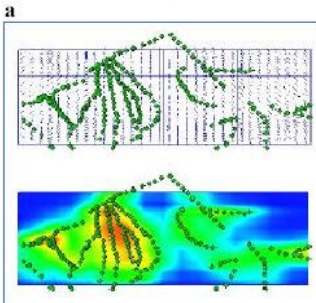
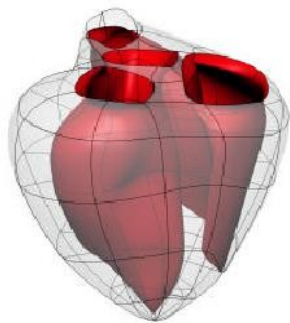


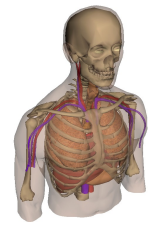
Virtual Soldier Buzzwords

- “Holomer”—Virtual Representation of Individual Service Personnel. Includes images, medical history, medical record informatic framework. Sometimes called a “Body-Double”.
- “PIC”—Personnel Information Carrier. Essentially a structured digital medical record stored on a flash memory chip. A.k.a. “Electronic Dog Tag”. Digital Record of the Holomer.

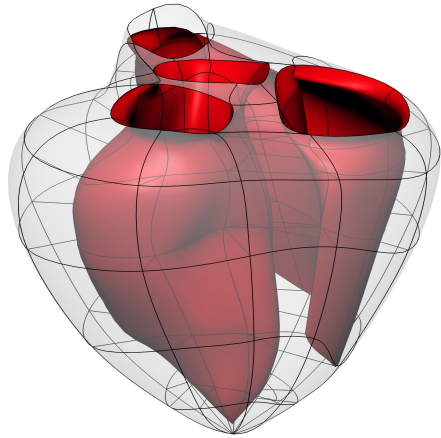


Anatomy, Physiology and Trauma Models provided by: Utah, UCSD, Auckland, UWash, Michigan, GE, and Mission Research





Virtual Soldier Project: Cardiothoracic models

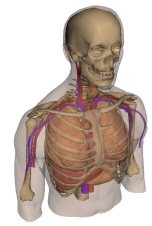


DESCRIPTION / OBJECTIVES / METHODS

- Multiscale integrative models of the heart
- Large-scale integration now feasible
- Use digital medicine to enhance battlefield care

Project Integration

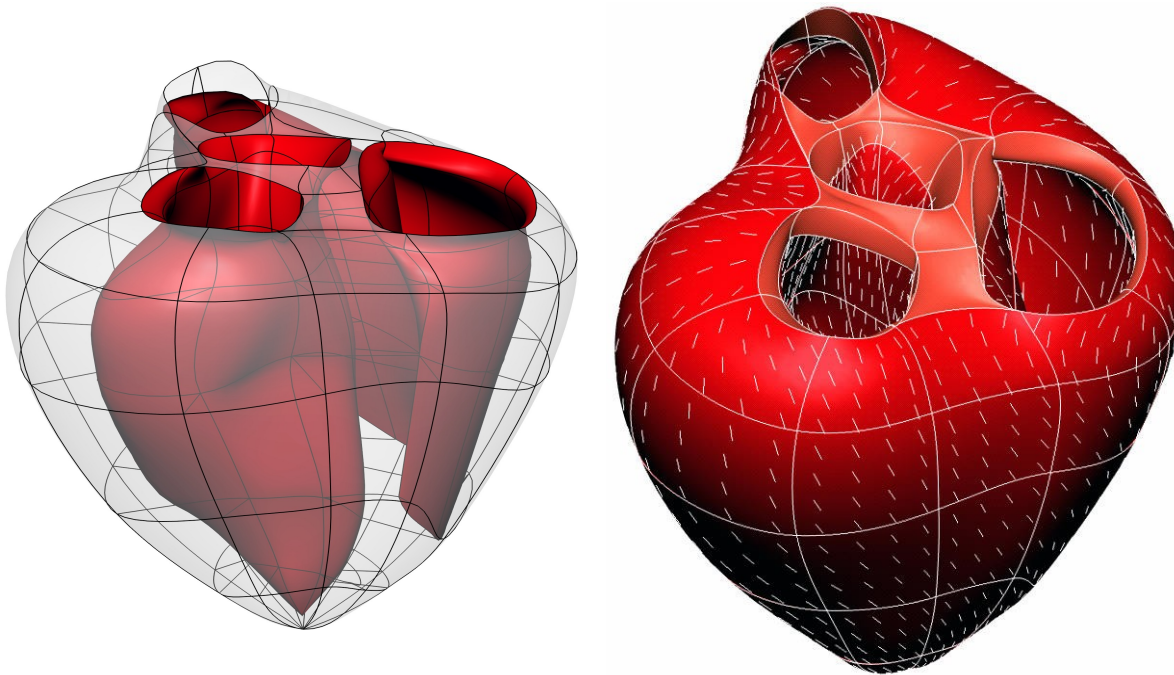
- Univ. of Utah – deliver anatomic, electromechanical models;
- Univ. of Washington – anatomical models for markup with FMA ontology;
- Univ. of Washington – collaborate and integrate system models of circulatory dynamics and cell physiology;
- Univ. of Auckland – develop pig anatomy models;
- Mission Research Corp – identify and model injury regions;



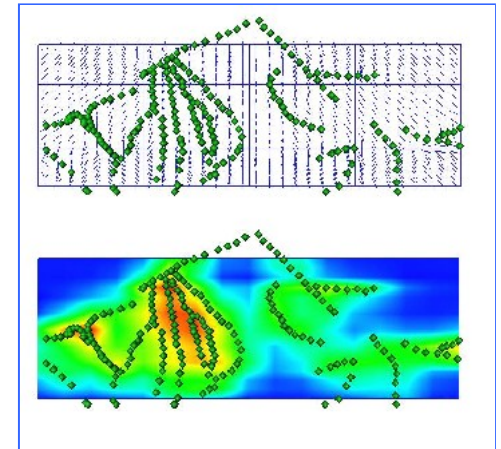
Ventricular anatomy



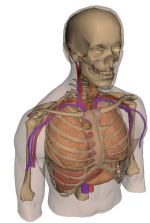
Auckland Pig Heart



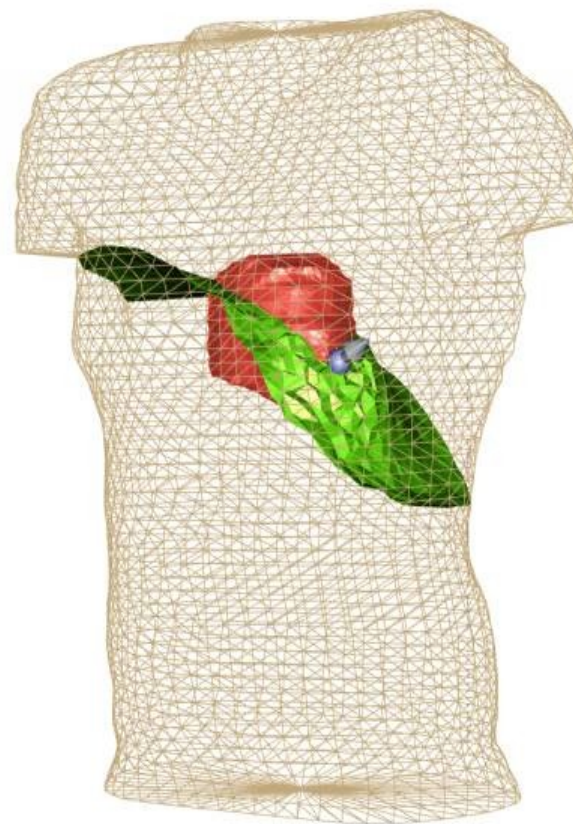
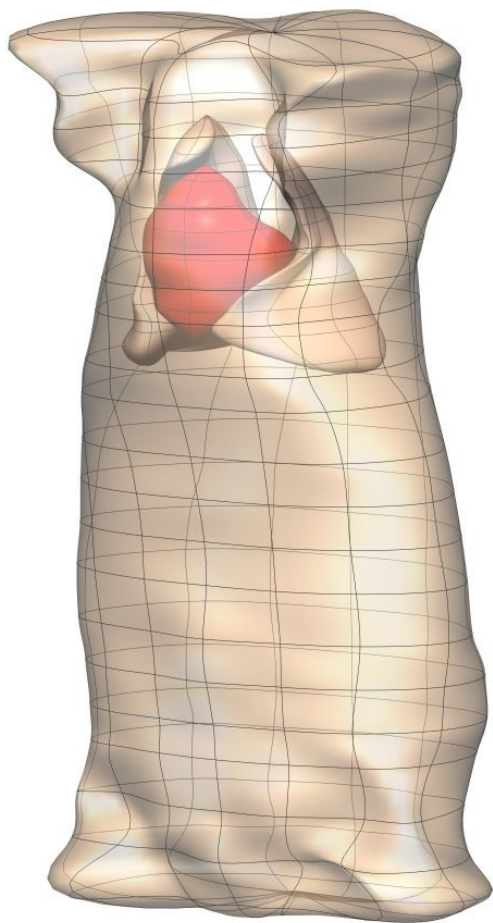
LV Endocardial Model

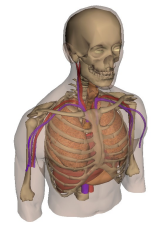


Right and left ventricular anatomy
Fiber angle
Sheet angle
Purkinje fiber network

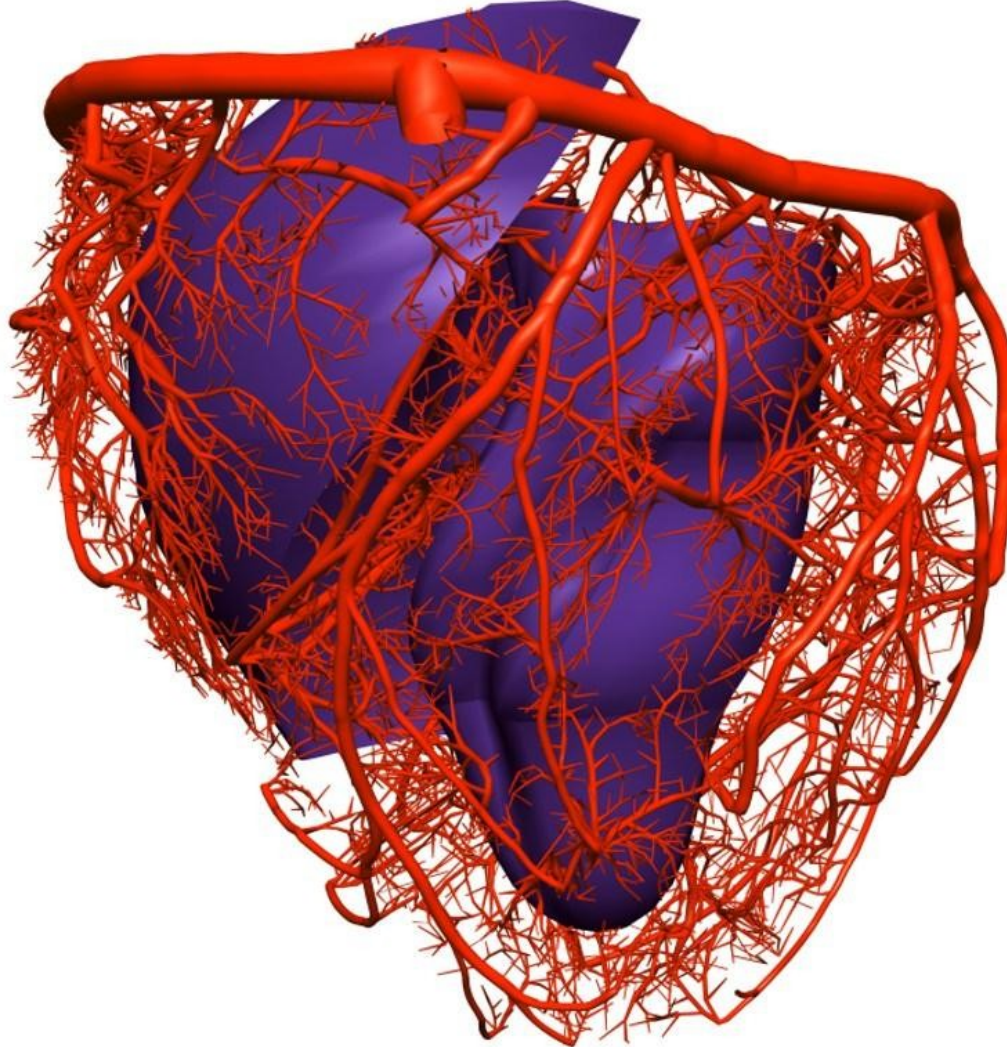


Torso anatomy

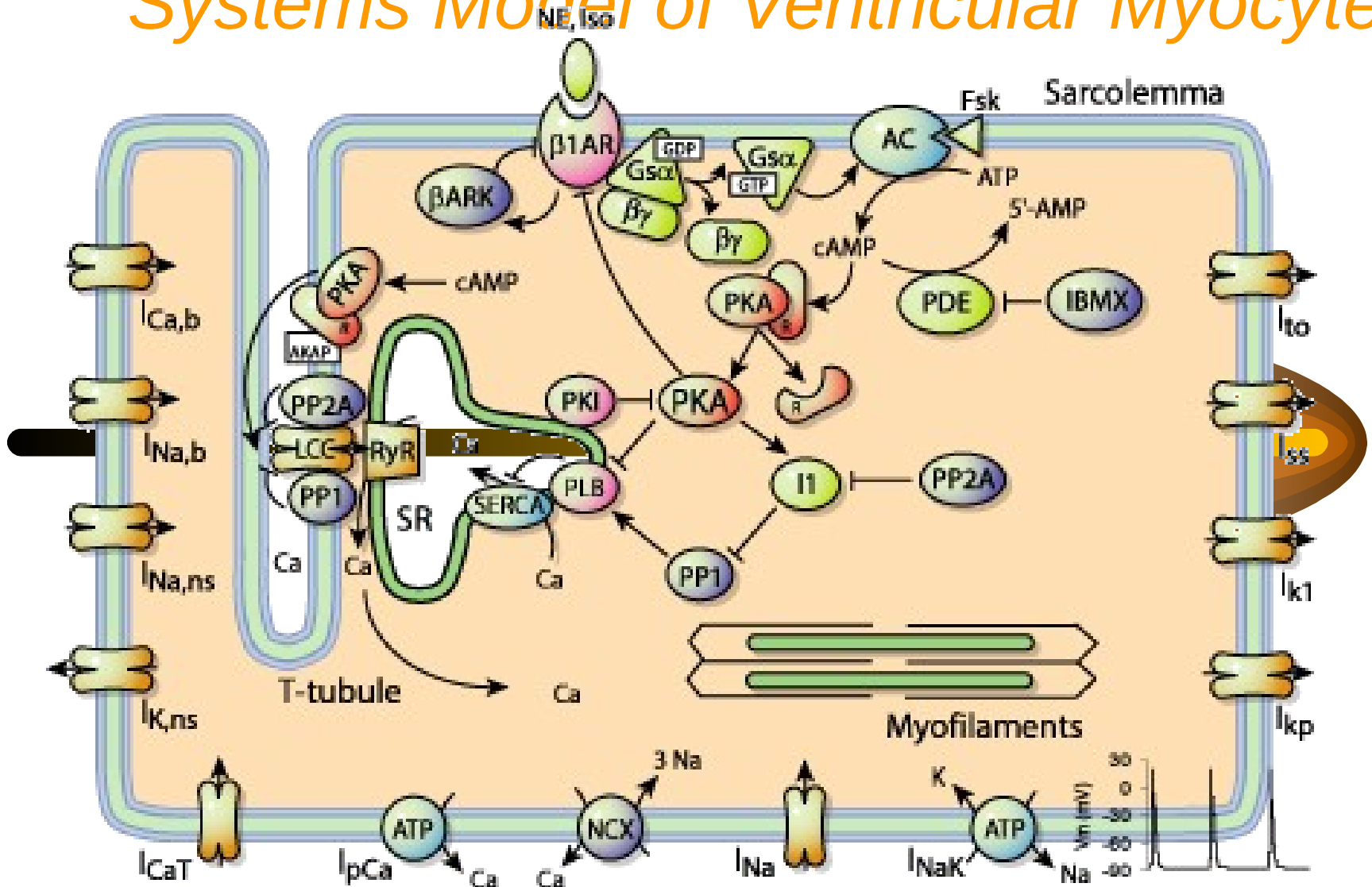




Coronary artery network

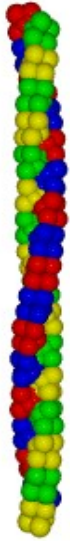
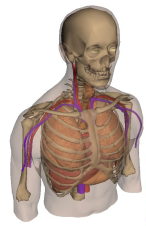


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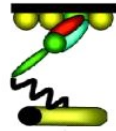


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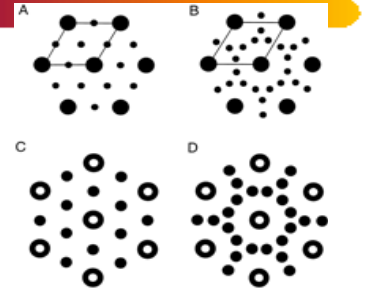
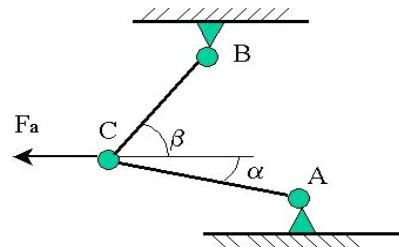
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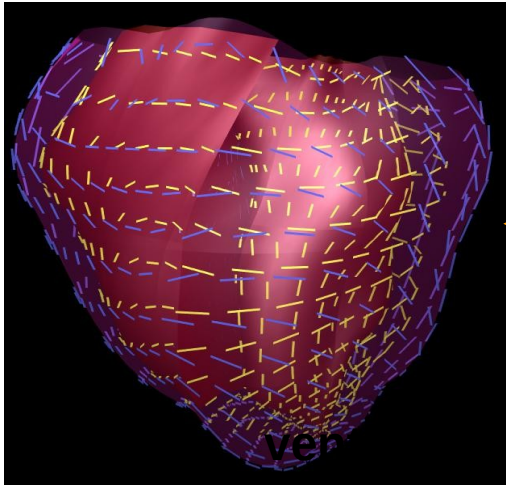
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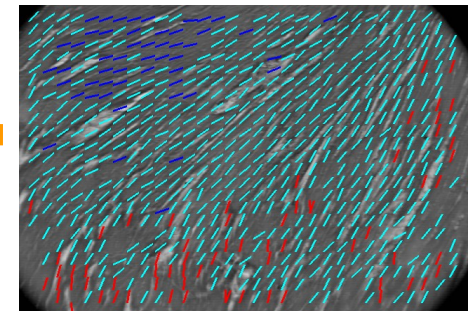
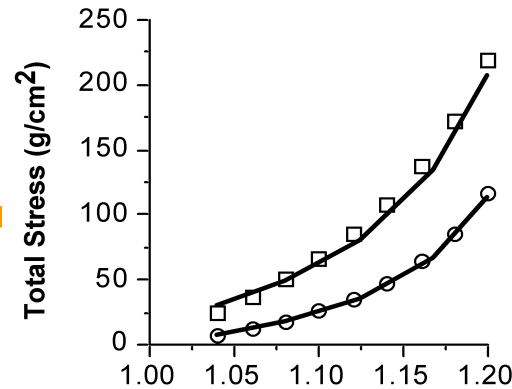
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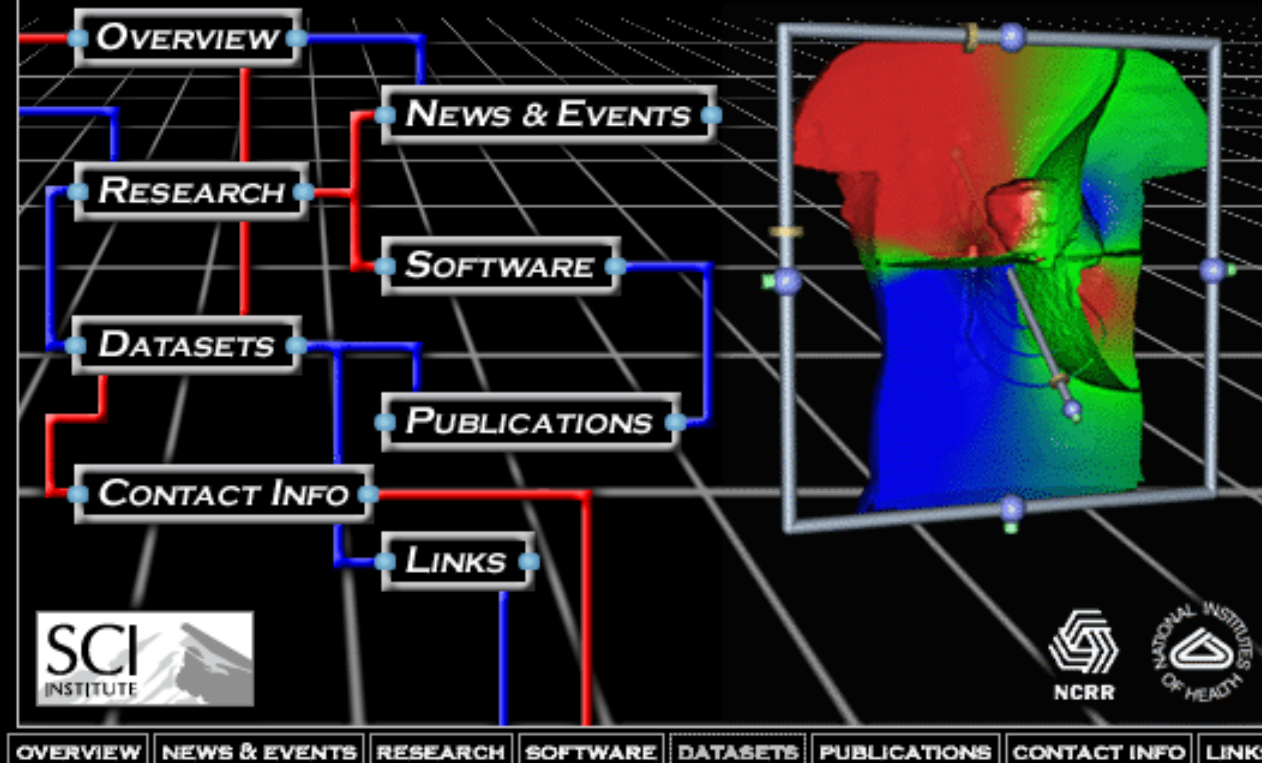
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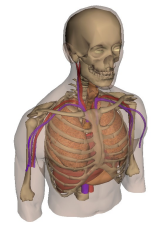
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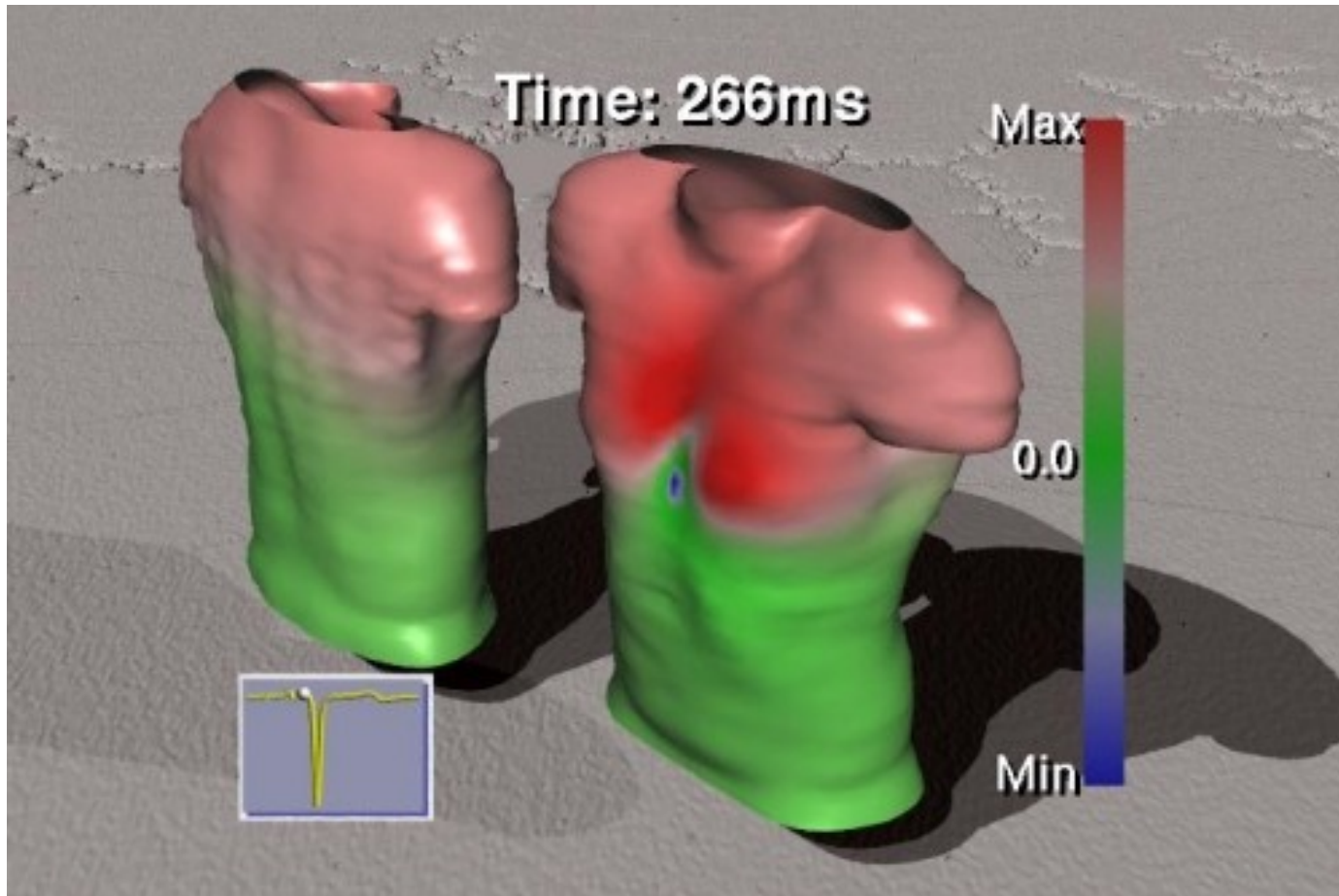
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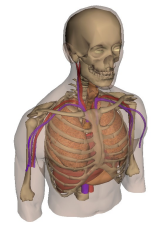


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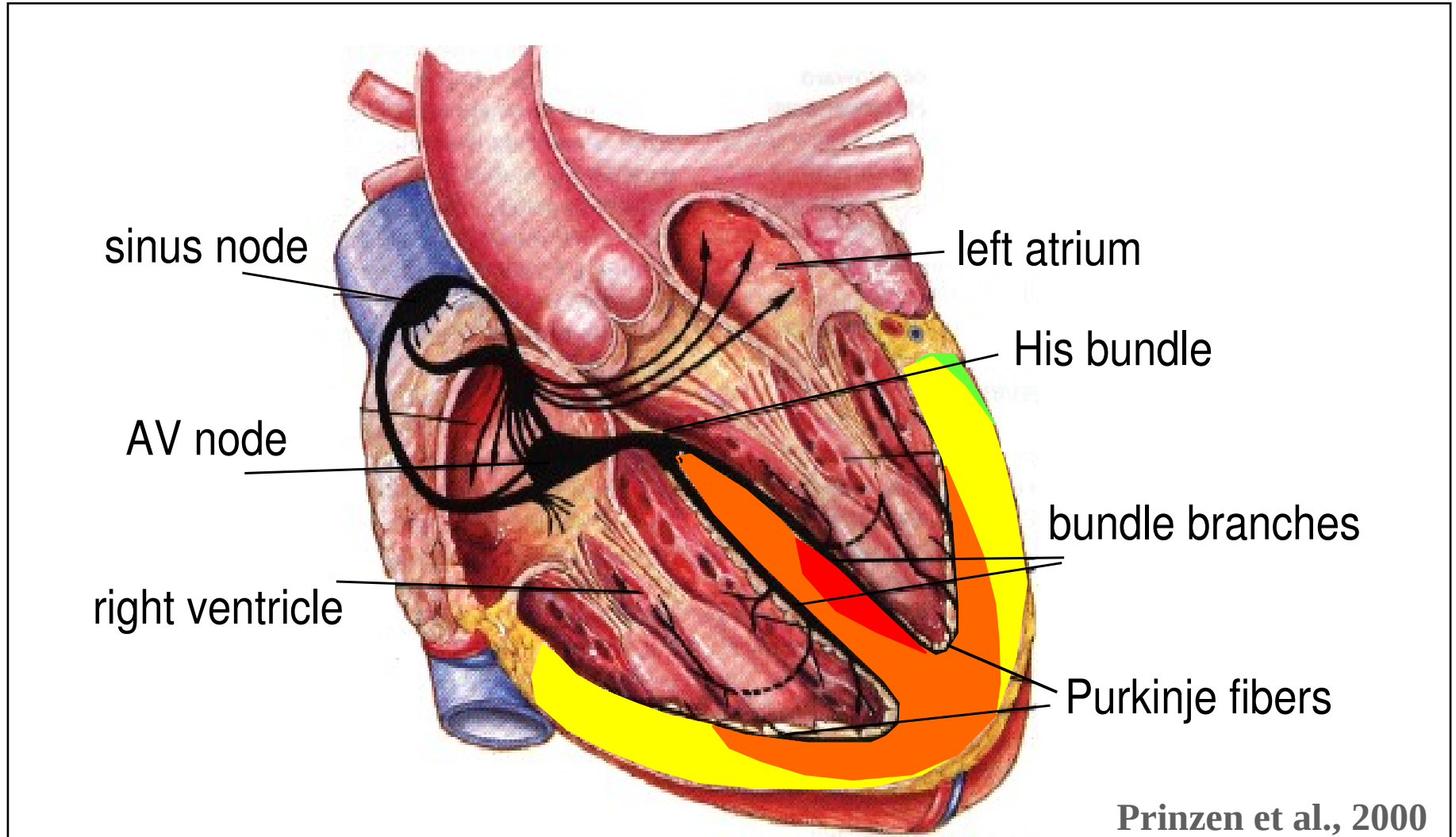


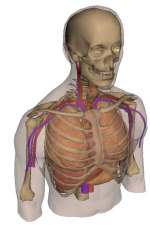
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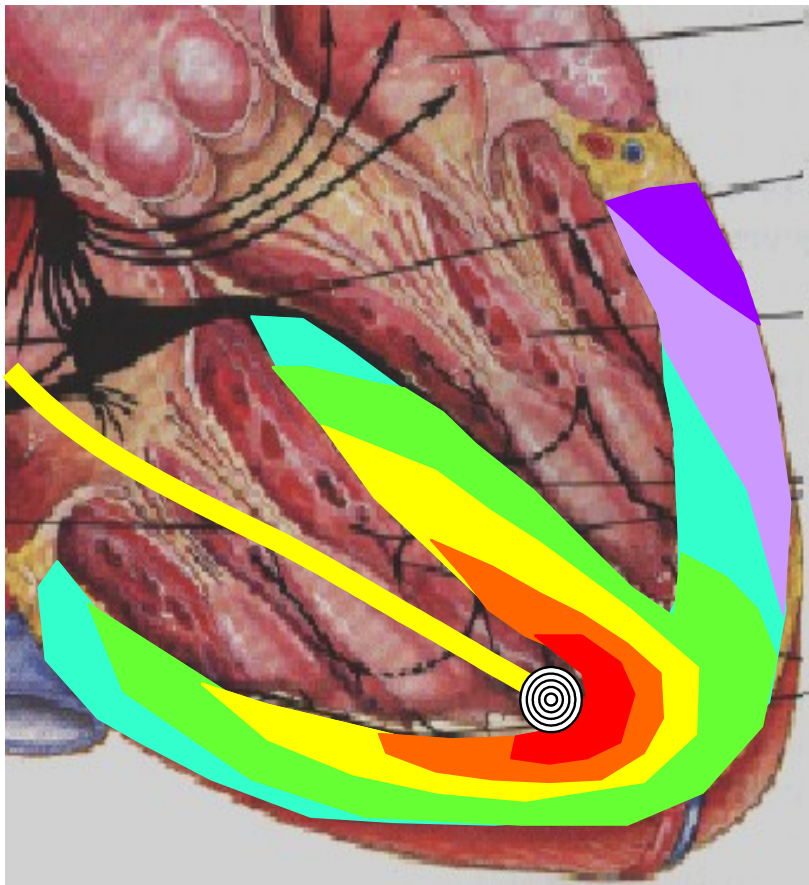
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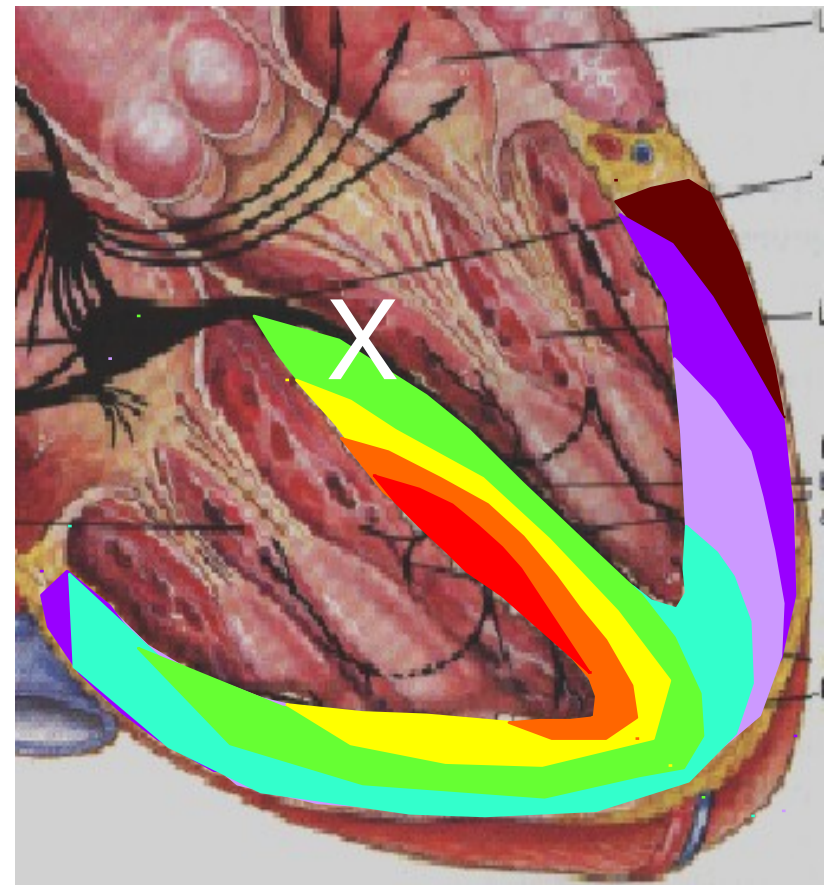


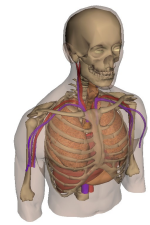
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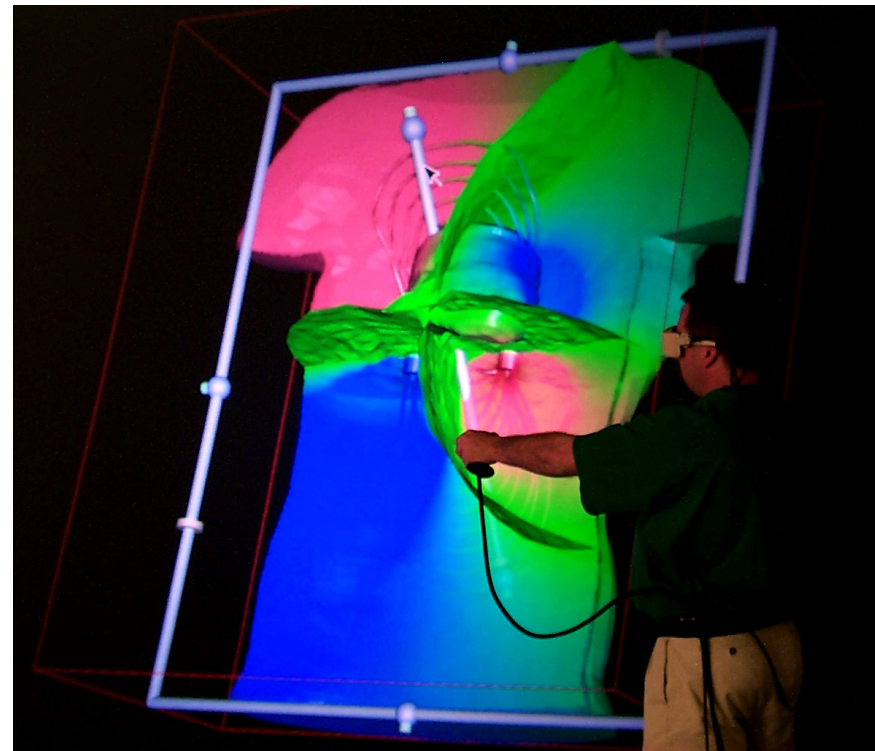
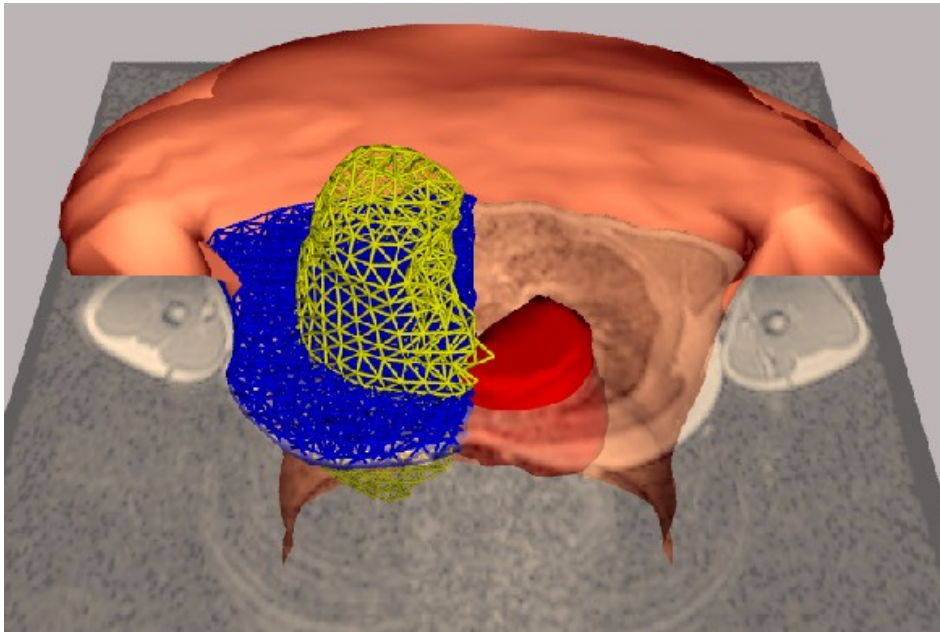
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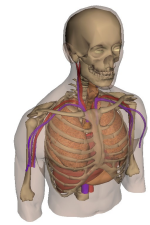




Computation Workbenches

- Mission: Common Framework for Bioelectric Field Research
 - Exchanging tools and datasets
 - Presenting results
 - Comparing methods





Device Design: Defibrillation



Protecting Cheney's heart

After undergoing heart tests, Vice President Dick Cheney was given a "smart" pacemaker.

Heart test: Electrophysiology study (EPS)

Electrode inserted into heart to measure how it beats under stress

- 1 Thin probe threaded up vein to heart
- 2 Heart stimulated with electric signals to vary its speed
- 3 If irregular beat occurs, doctor gives different medicines to see which corrects beat best

Test lasts 2-4 hours

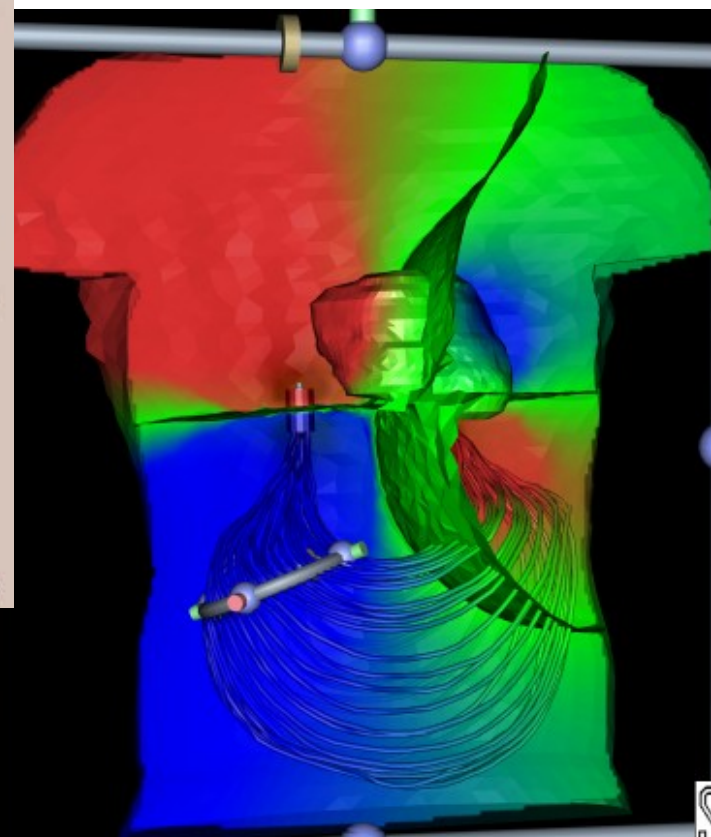
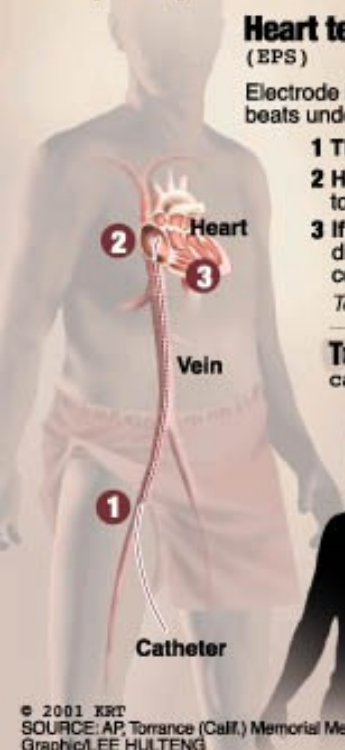
Treatment: Implantable cardioverter defibrillator (ICD)

Pacemaker that constantly monitors heartbeat and interrupts dangerous rhythm automatically

How it works

- Detects irregular or racing heartbeat
- Stops abnormal rhythm with electric pulses or shock

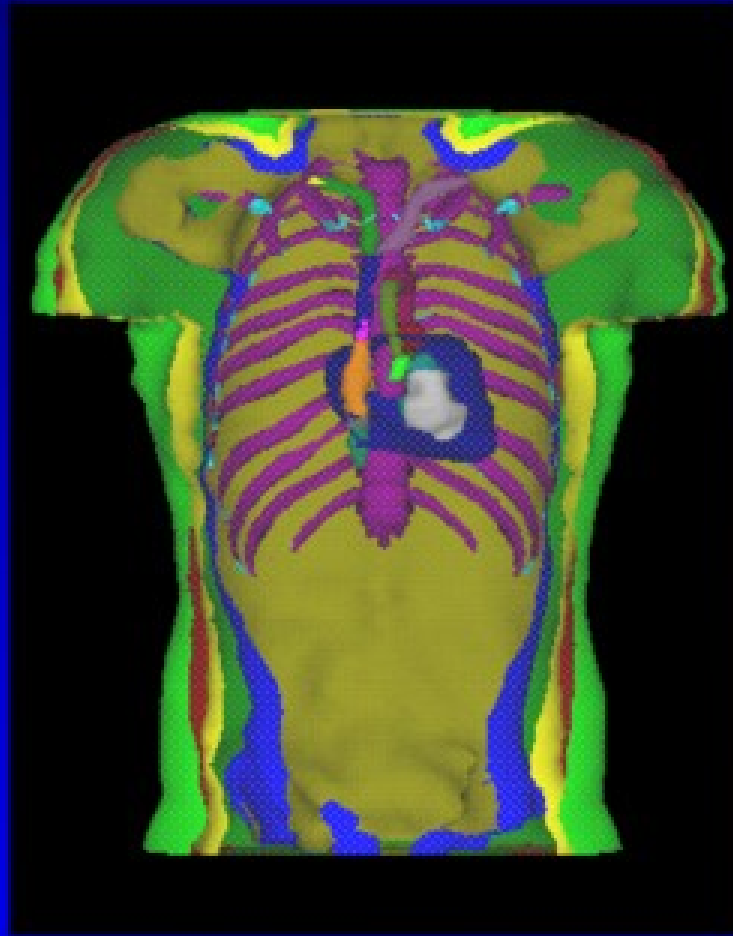
Implanted under skin on chest



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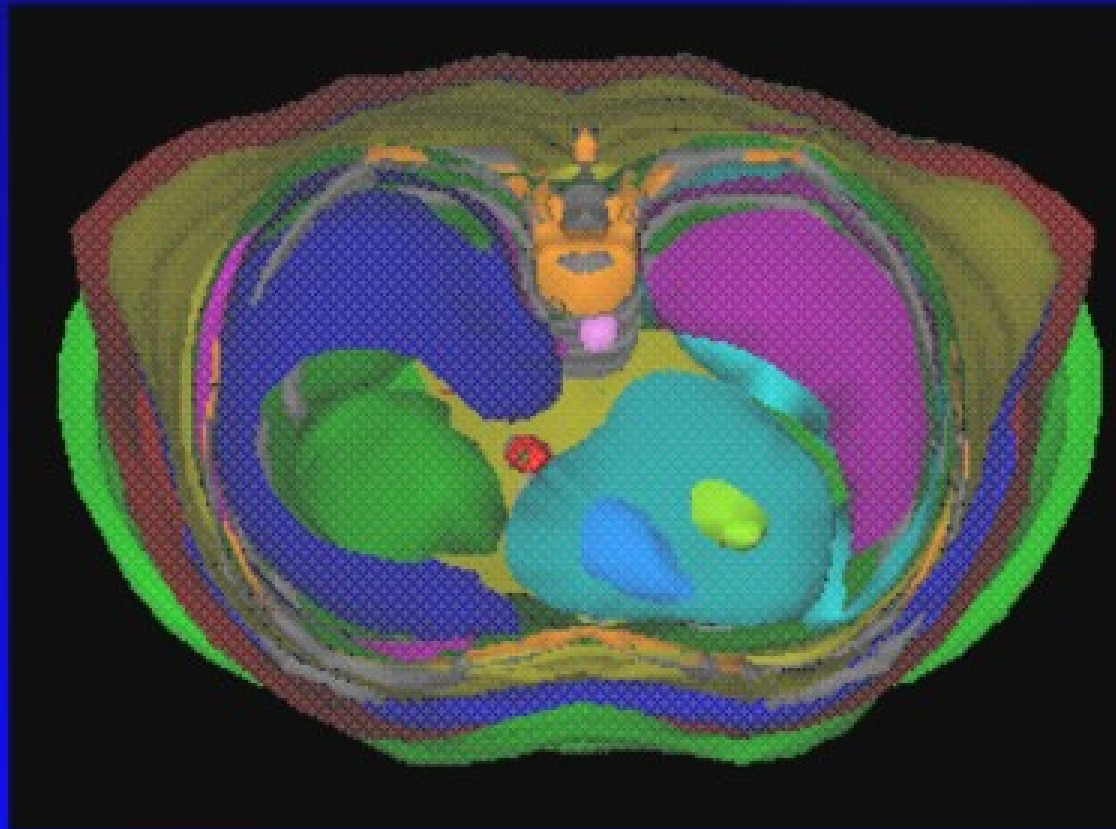
Geometry of Utah Torso Model



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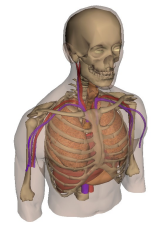
- Subcutaneous Fat
- Skeletal Muscle
- Lungs
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- Heart
- Blood Cavities
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Cross Sectional View of Thorax

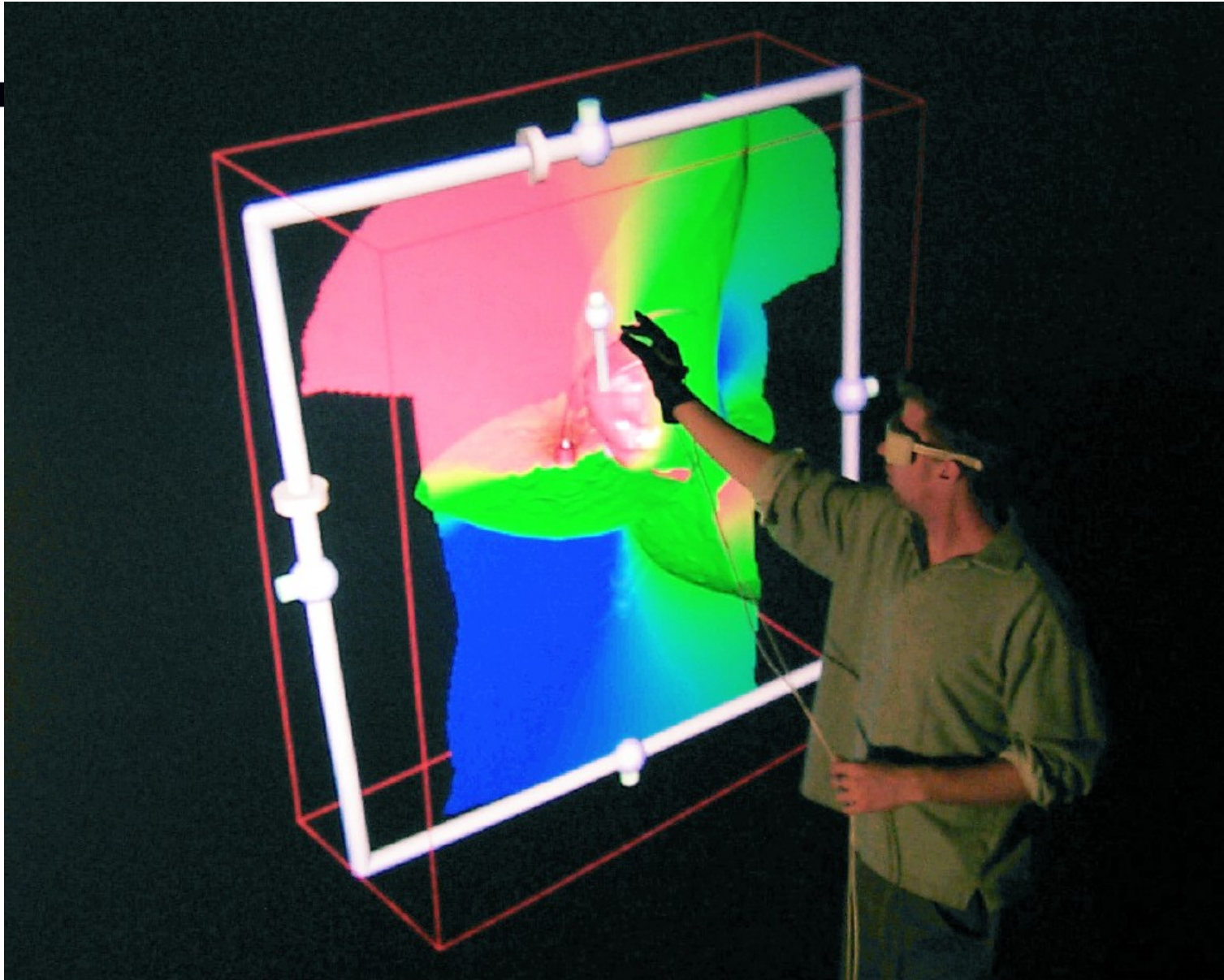


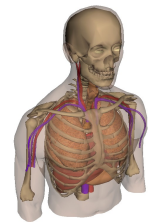
Internal Electrode Locations





Immersive ECG Environment





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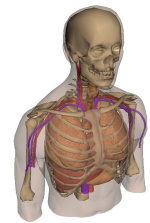
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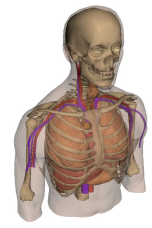
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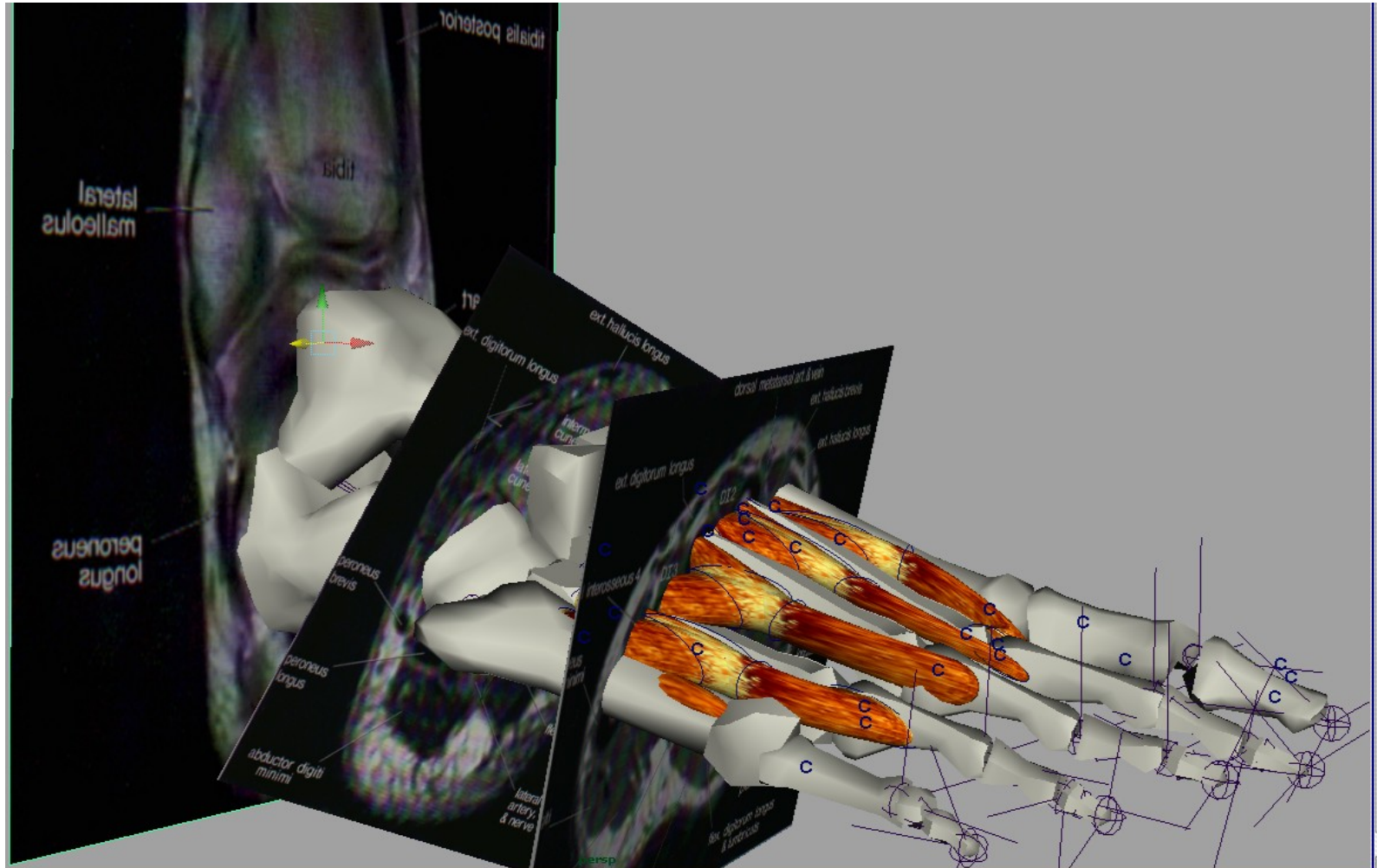
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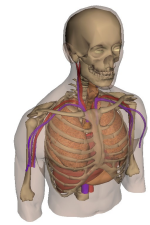
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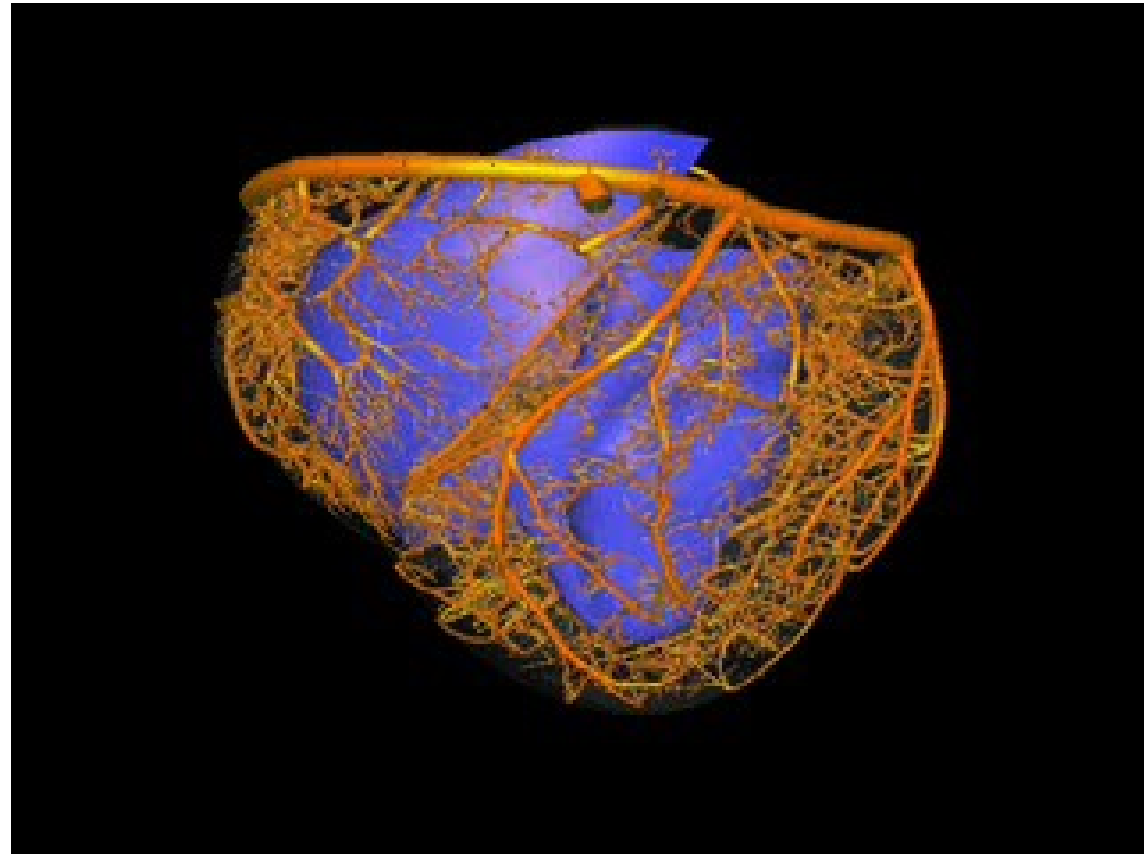


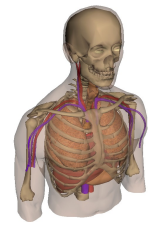


Integration by Computation

The Cardiome

- Transport:
 - UWash Flows, uptake (O₂, fats), nucleotide energetics
- Cardiac Mechanics:
 - Auckland Univ: P.Hunter
 - UCSD: McCulloch
 - Maastricht: Arts, Prinzen, Reneman
 - JHU: W.Hunter
- Action Potentials:
 - Oxford U: D. Noble
 - Johns Hopkins: Winslow
 - Case-Western: Rudy
- Cardiac excitatory spread:
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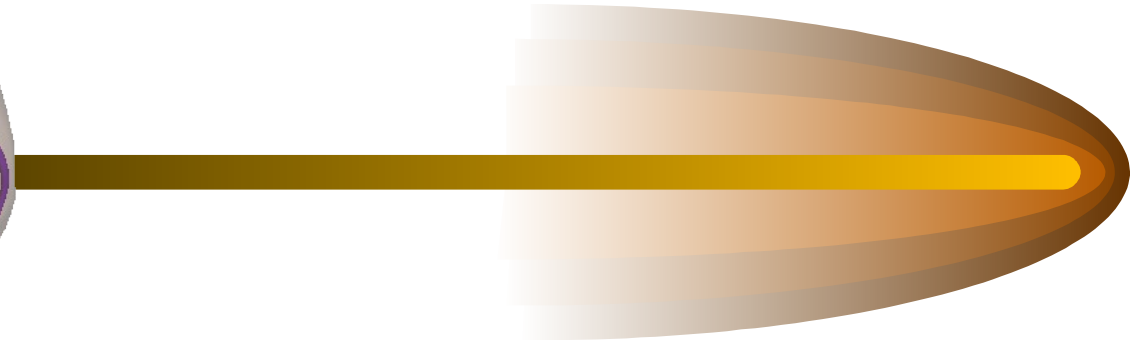
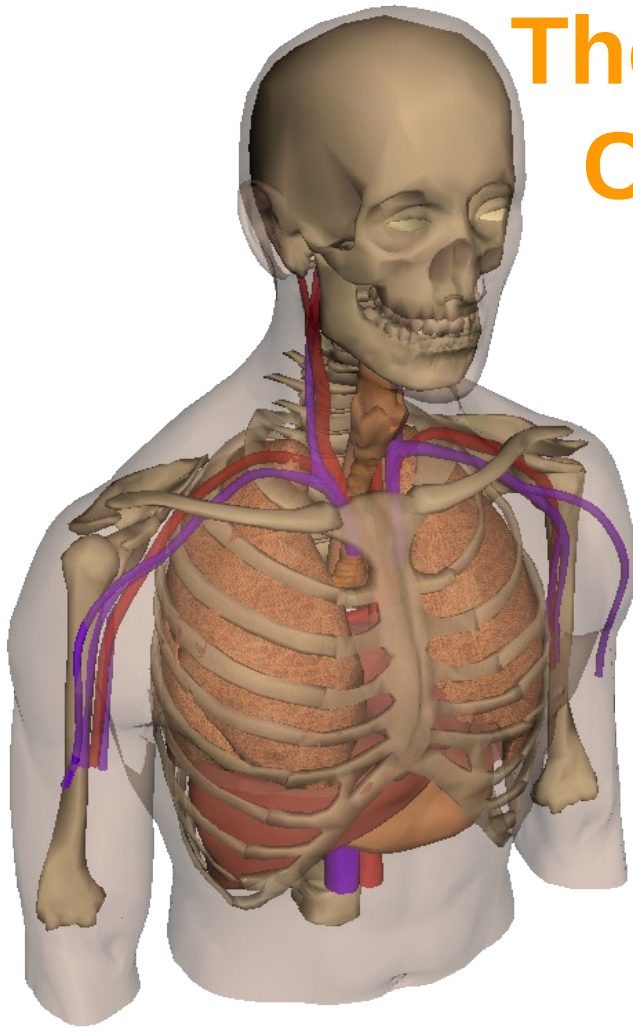




Next Steps

- Establish coordinated funding from multiple institutes
 - Multiple NIH Institutes
 - NSF
 - DARPA
 - DOE
 - NASA
- Large scale systems integration effort is required
 - This may require non-standard funding

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