

# Anatomical Models from Imaging Data

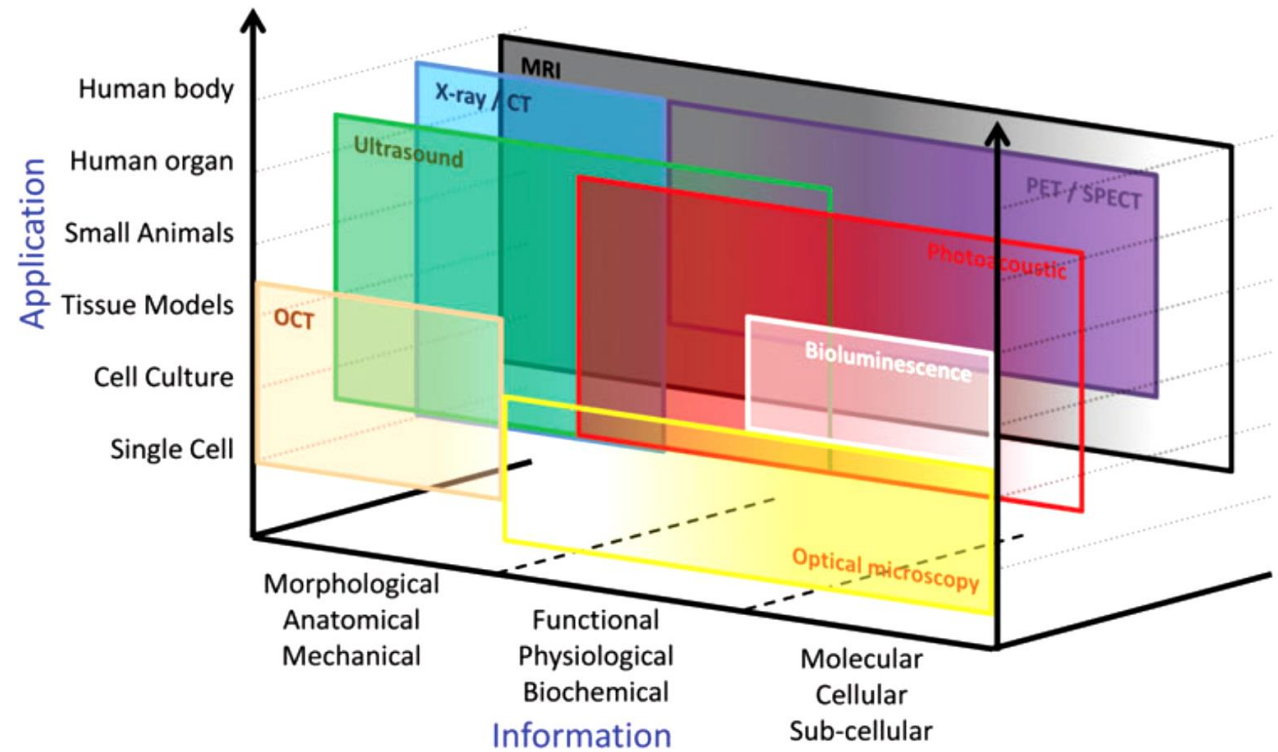
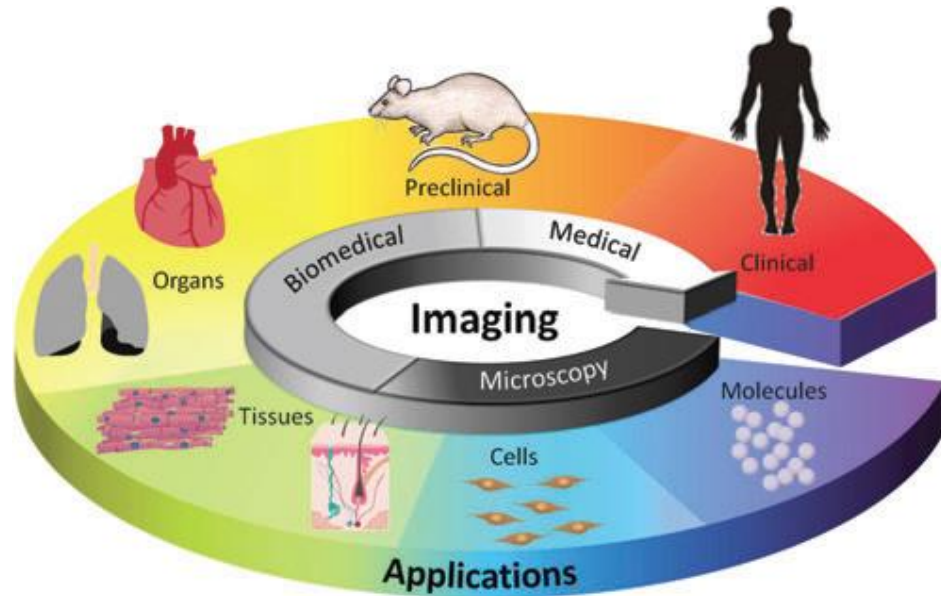
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*BMEN 2151 Medical Device Prototyping*

# Imaging



# *Some Common Imaging Methods...*

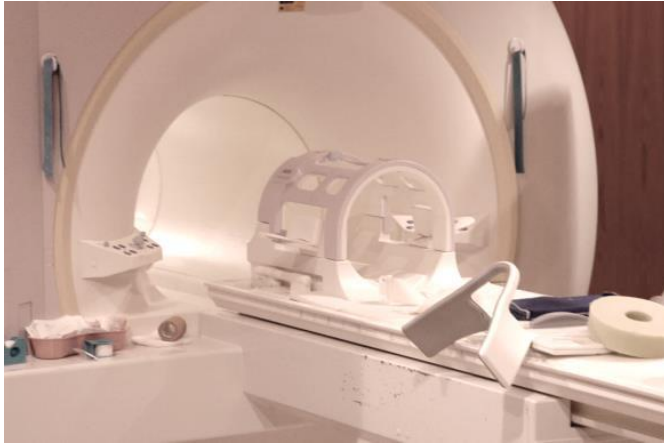
- ▶ **Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) or NMR**
  - Human max. is 3T (Tesla) – resolution of 250 $\mu$ m x 250 $\mu$ m 0.5mm.
  - High spatial resolution  $\mu$ MRI, 7–10T, 5–200 $\mu$ m.
  - Magnetic nanoparticles.
- ▶ **Computed tomography (CT) – *Computer Axial Tomography***
  - Typical resolution of 0.24 – 0.3mm.
  - $\mu$ CT, resolution of 1–200 $\mu$ m.
- ▶ **Ultrasound (less useful in bioprinting)**
  - Resolution of 1mm x 1mm x 0.2mm.
- ▶ **PET – Positron emission tomography**
- ▶ **SPECT – Single photon emission computed tomography**
- ▶ **Optical Coherence Tomography (OCT)**
- ▶ **Traditional optical techniques.**

# *Components of Medical Imaging...*

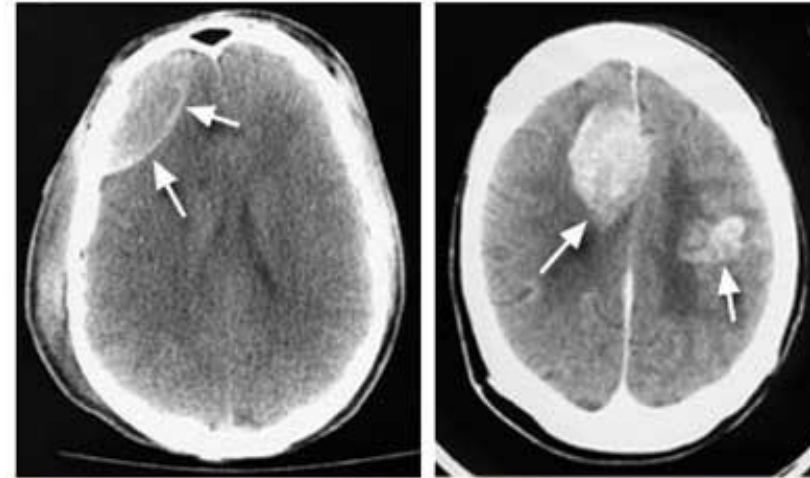
- ▶ Image *formation & reconstruction* – using machines to create 2D and 3D images.
- ▶ Image *processing and analysis* – algorithms to enhance image properties (like noise removal); extracting quantitative information or a set of features from the image for object identification and classification.
- ▶ Input into *Machine Learning and Deep Learning* systems for more advanced analysis.



# *Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) & Computed tomography (CT)...*

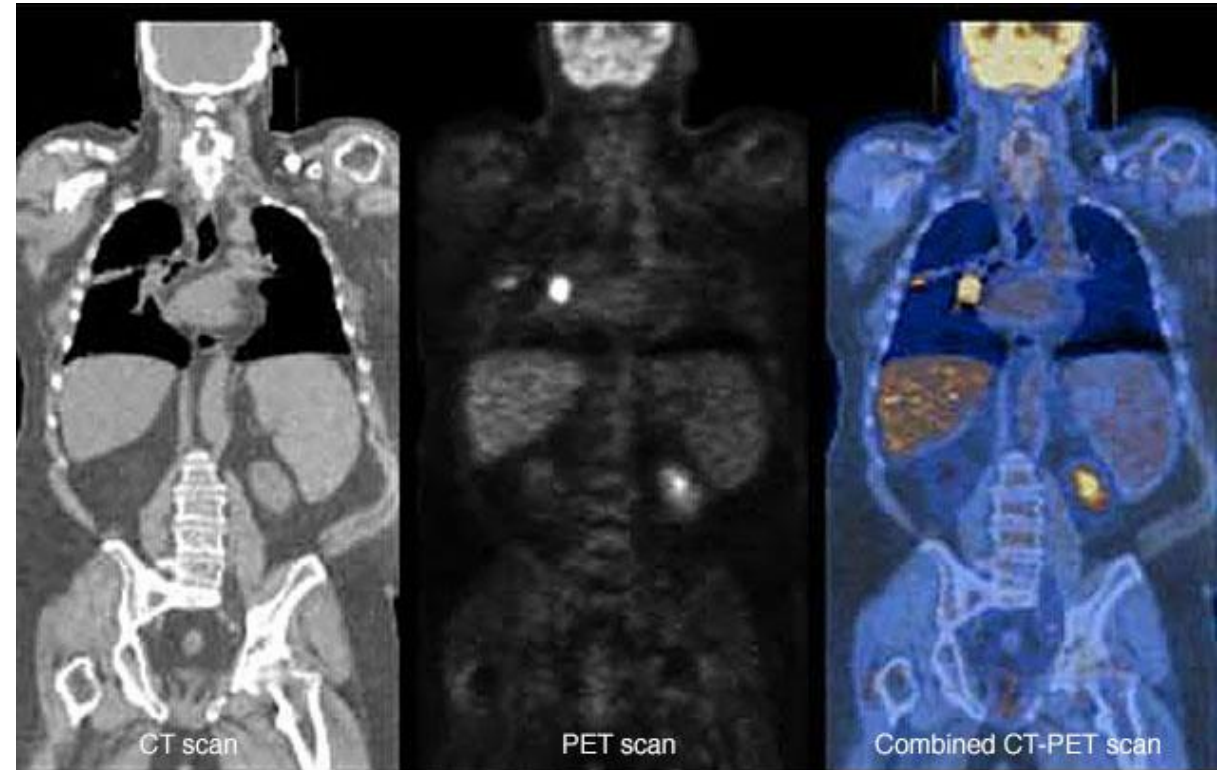


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# *Positron Emission Tomography (PET)...*



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## CT scan/PET Scan/ Combined

# *Design Techniques...*

- ▶ Underlying methods in CAD systems:
  - Constructive solid geometry (solid primitives and boolean operators)
  - Boundary representation (vertices, edges and faces)
  - Spacial enumeration (cubic elements)
- ▶ Image-based design
- ▶ Implicit surfaces
- ▶ Space-filling curves
- ▶ Irregular porous structures

# Segmentation

## ▶ Purpose

- To delineate and isolate anatomical features within an imaging database– e.g. bone, cartilage, soft tissue, edema; muscle, lung, brain & other organs, and tumors.

## ▶ Categories

- Manual, Semi-automatic and fully automatic.

## ▶ Techniques

- Thresholding
- Clustering based approach
- Edge-based



# *Segmentation with Available Software...*

- ▶ Extract images from **DICOM** files (**ITK-Snap**, **Onis**) and possible deidentifying them for HIPPA regulations (**DICOMCleaner**).
- ▶ Segmentation Software (**ITK-Snap**, **Seg3D2**, **Materialise Mimics**, **Materialise 3-matic**).
  - Pre-segmentation Phase – identify parts of image as foreground and background.
  - Active Contour Phase – manual and semiautomatic methods.
- ▶ Editing and fixing mesh files (.STL) – **Autodesk Meshmixer**.
- ▶ Slicer software – **Simplify3D** and **Repetier**.
  - G-coding for the specific bioprinter – e.g. **Slic3R** (printer customized interface to control what happens in a sequence of control steps.)

# *Know the Main Anatomical Planes...*

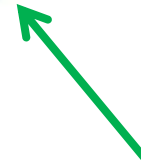
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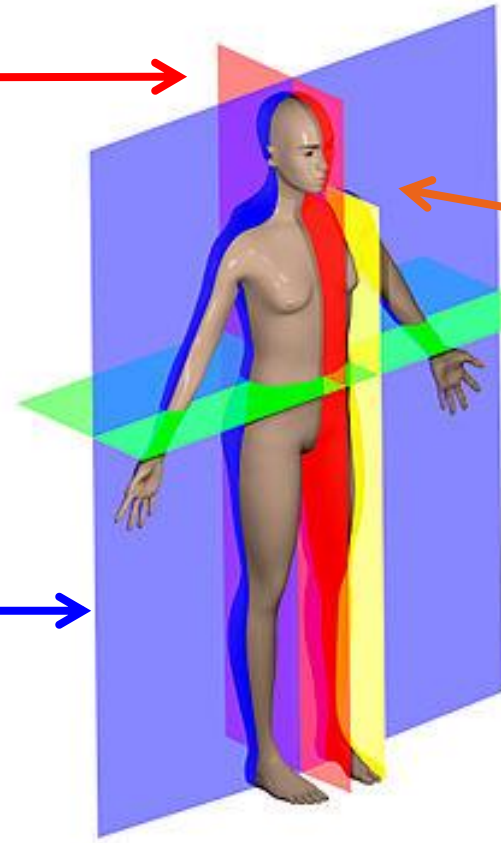
Parasagittal  
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Transverse or Axial



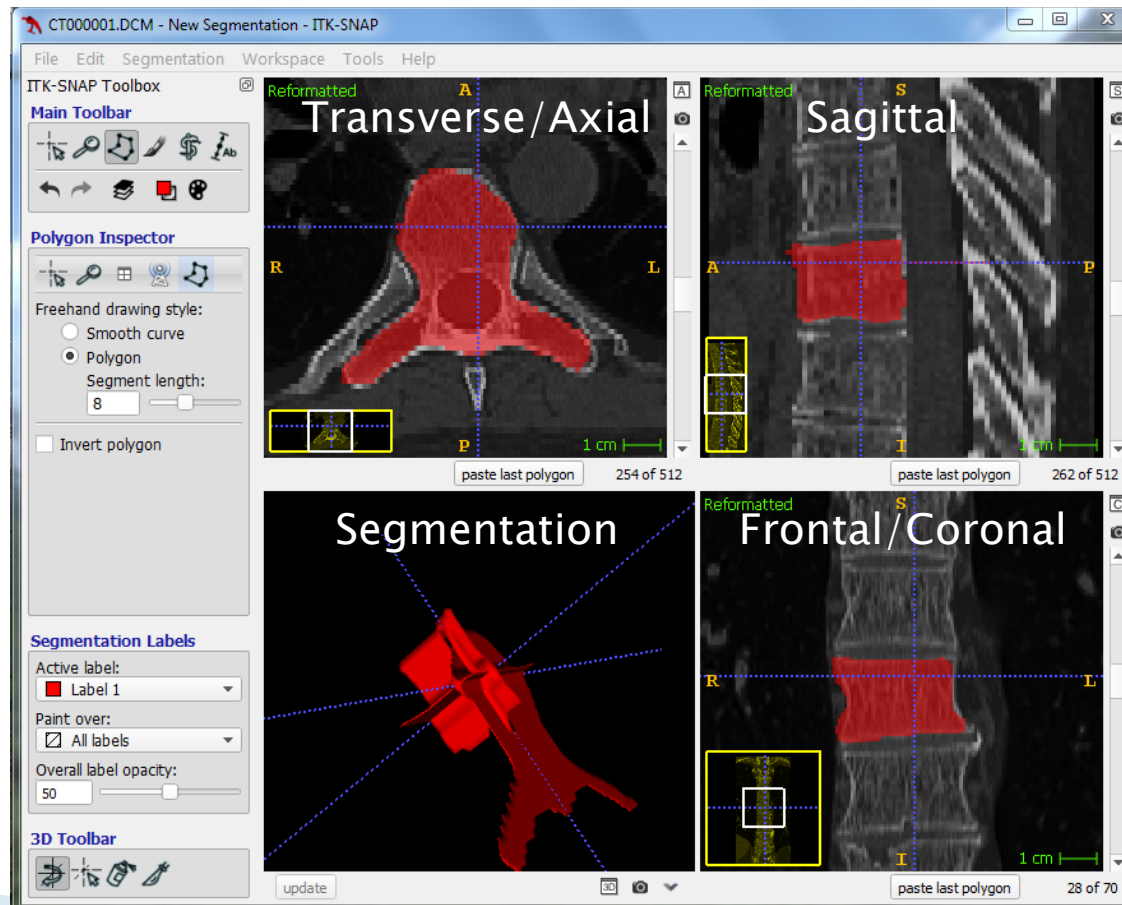
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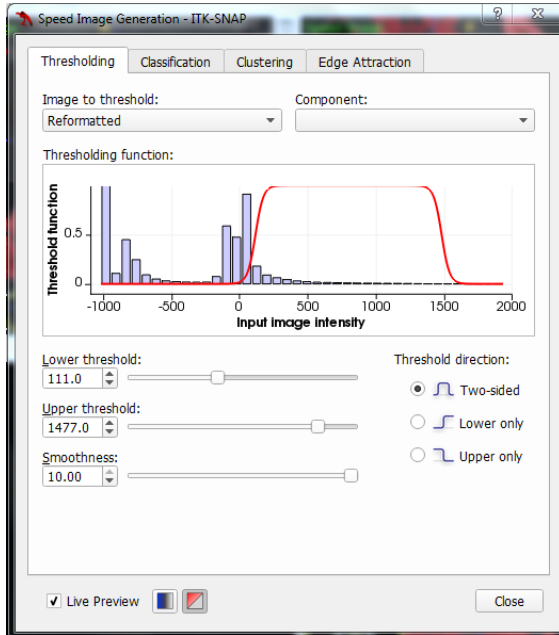
*ITK Snap Demo Next...*

# *Segmentation with ITK-Snap (freeware).*

## *Manual Segmentation...*



# *Semiautomatic – Contrast Adjustment...*



Speed Image Generation - ITK-SNAP

Thresholding Classification Clustering Edge Attraction

Image to threshold: Reformatted Component:

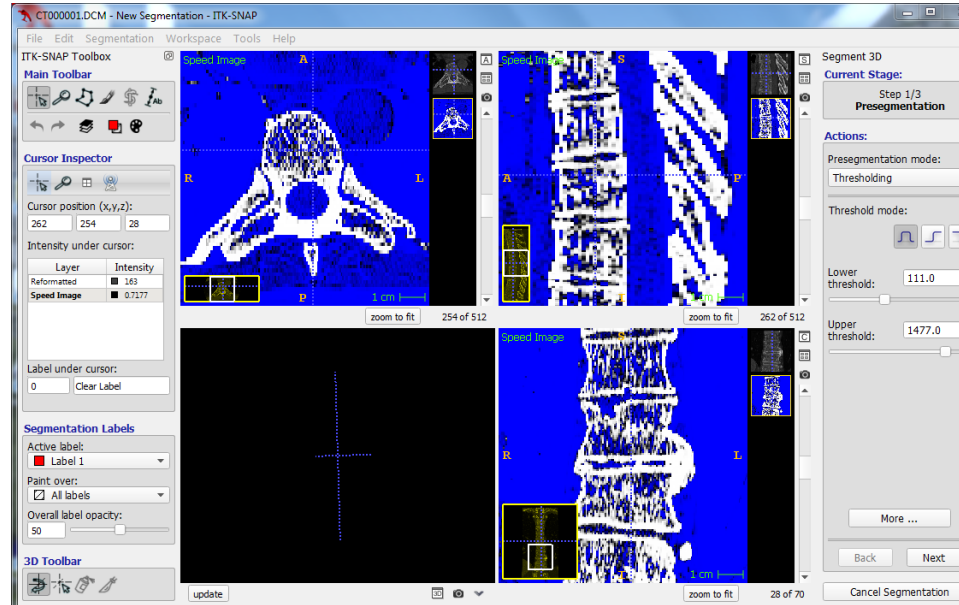
Thresholding function:

Lower threshold: 111.0 Upper threshold: 1477.0 Smoothness: 10.00

Threshold direction: Two-sided Lower only Upper only

Live Preview Close

Detailed description: This is the 'Thresholding' dialog box in ITK-SNAP. It features a histogram of the input image intensity with a red thresholding curve overlaid. The x-axis is labeled 'Input Image Intensity' and ranges from -1000 to 2000. The y-axis is labeled 'Threshold function' and ranges from 0 to 0.5. Below the histogram, there are three sliders: 'Lower threshold' (set to 111.0), 'Upper threshold' (set to 1477.0), and 'Smoothness' (set to 10.00). To the right of the sliders are three radio buttons for 'Threshold direction': 'Two-sided' (selected), 'Lower only', and 'Upper only'. At the bottom, there are checkboxes for 'Live Preview' and a 'Close' button.



CT000001.DCM - New Segmentation - ITK-SNAP

File Edit Segmentation Workspace Tools Help

ITK-SNAP Toolbox Main Toolbar

Cursor Inspector

Cursor position (x,y,z): 262 254 28

Intensity under cursor:

| Layer       | Intensity |
|-------------|-----------|
| Reformatted | 163       |
| Speed Image | 0.7177    |

Label under cursor: 0 Clear Label

Segmentation Labels

Active label: Label 1

Paint over: All labels

Overall label opacity: 50

3D Toolbar

Segment 3D Current Stage: Step 1/3 Presegmentation

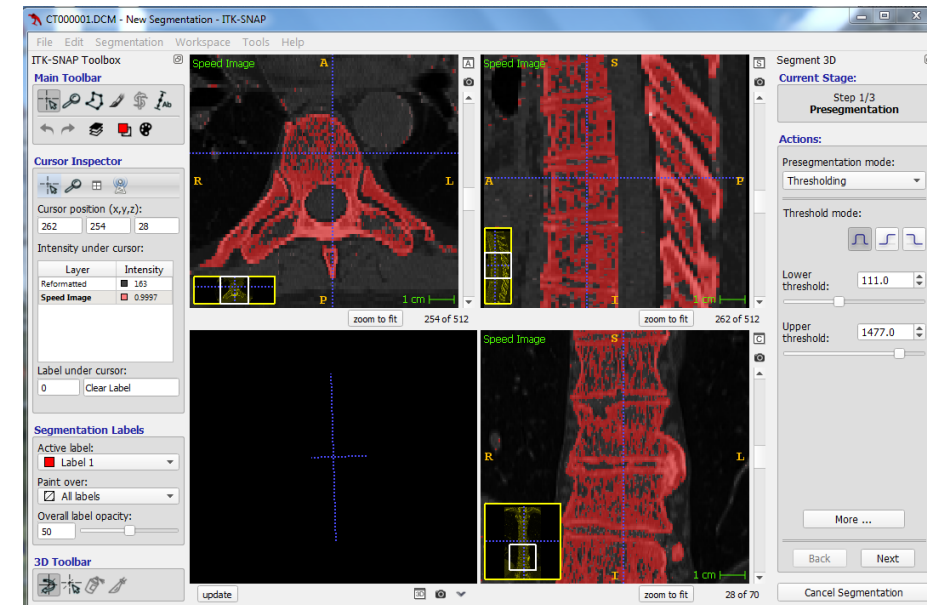
Actions: Presegmentation mode: Thresholding

Threshold mode:

Lower threshold: 111.0 Upper threshold: 1477.0

More ... Back Next Cancel Segmentation

Detailed description: This is the main ITK-SNAP window showing the initial segmentation process. The window title is 'CT000001.DCM - New Segmentation - ITK-SNAP'. It displays a 3D view of a CT scan slice with a blue background and white segmented structures. The 'Cursor Inspector' shows the cursor position at (262, 254, 28) and the intensity of the selected layer (Reformatted) as 163. The 'Segmentation Labels' section shows 'Label 1' as the active label. The 'Segment 3D' panel on the right indicates the current stage is 'Step 1/3 Presegmentation' and the 'Presegmentation mode' is 'Thresholding'. The 'Lower threshold' is 111.0 and the 'Upper threshold' is 1477.0. The '3D Toolbar' is visible at the bottom left, and the 'Segment 3D' panel has 'More ...', 'Back', and 'Next' buttons.



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Threshold mode:

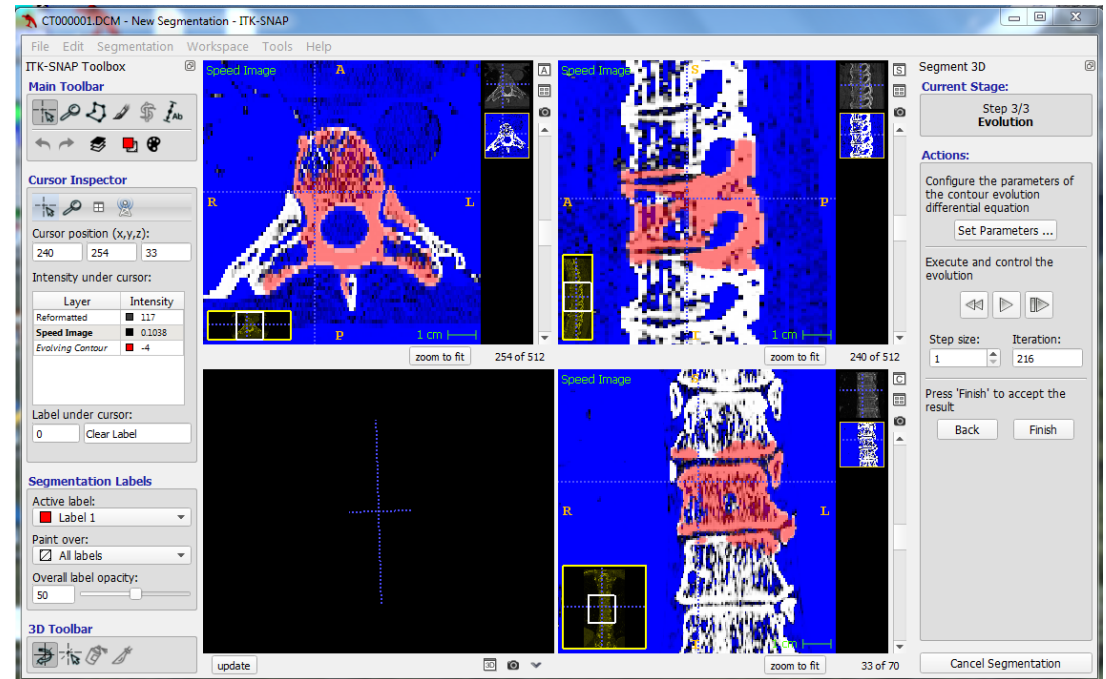
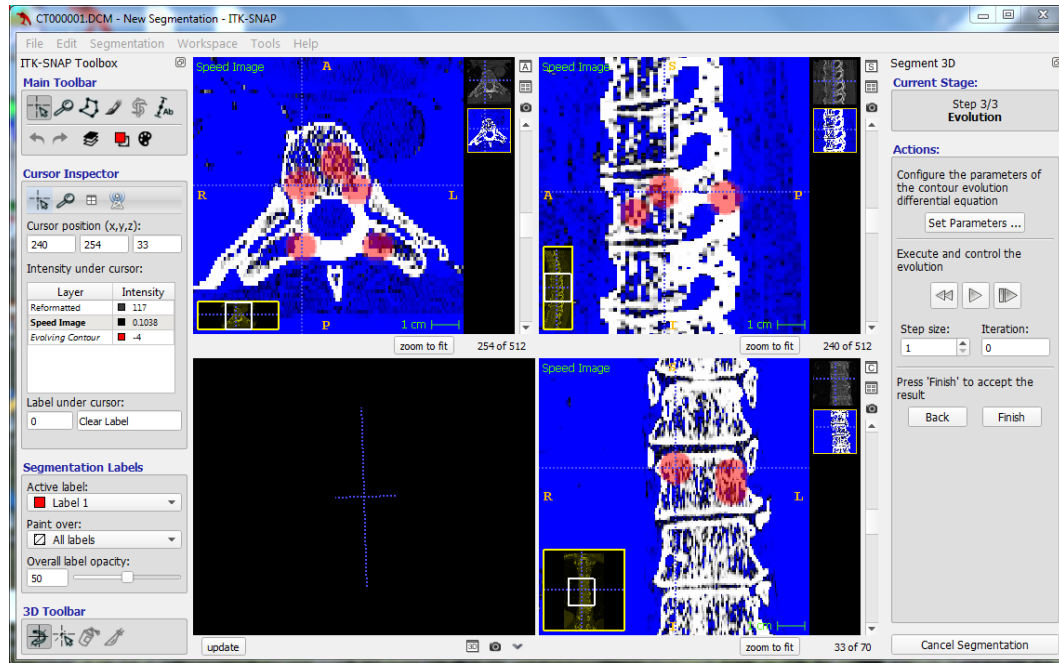
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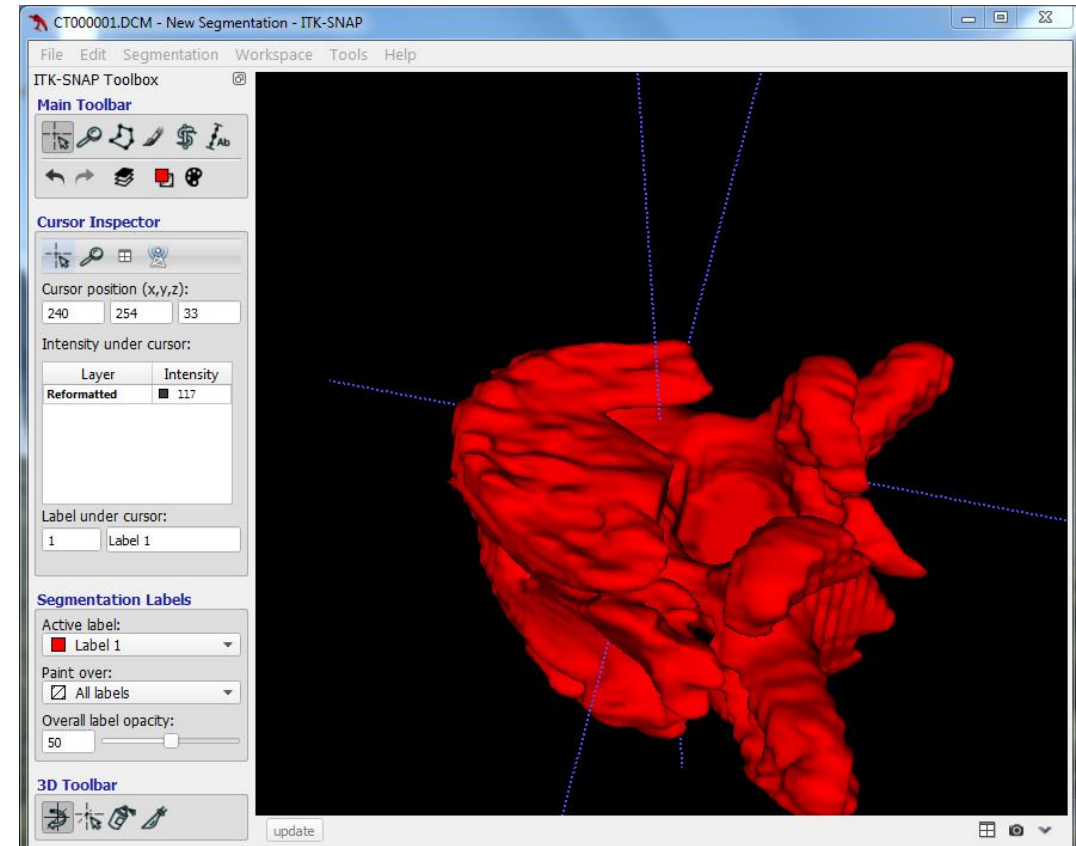
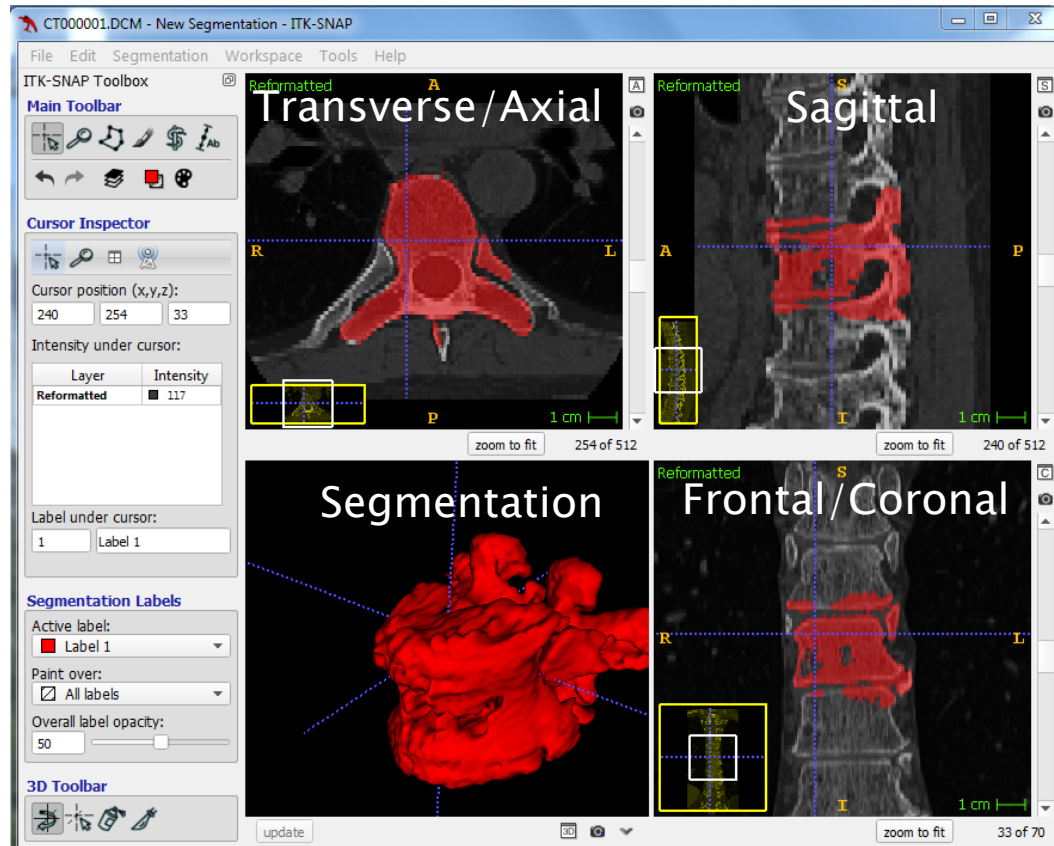
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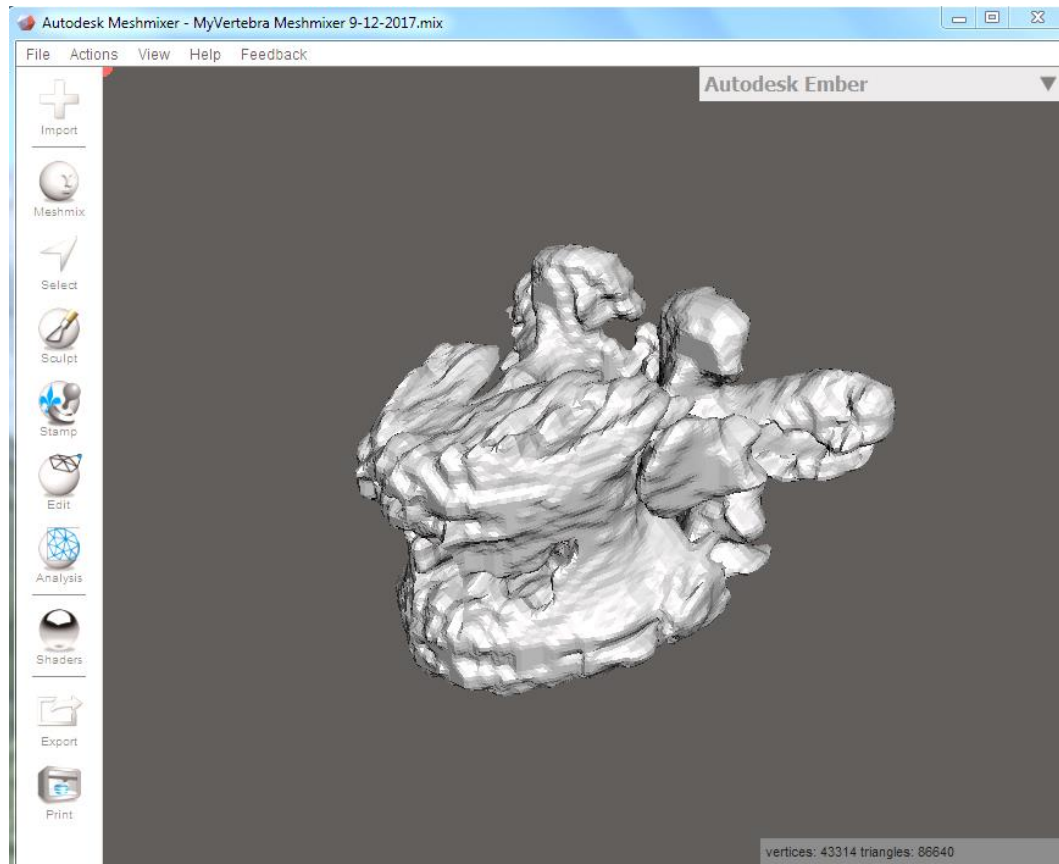
# *“Balloon” Placement & Inflation...*



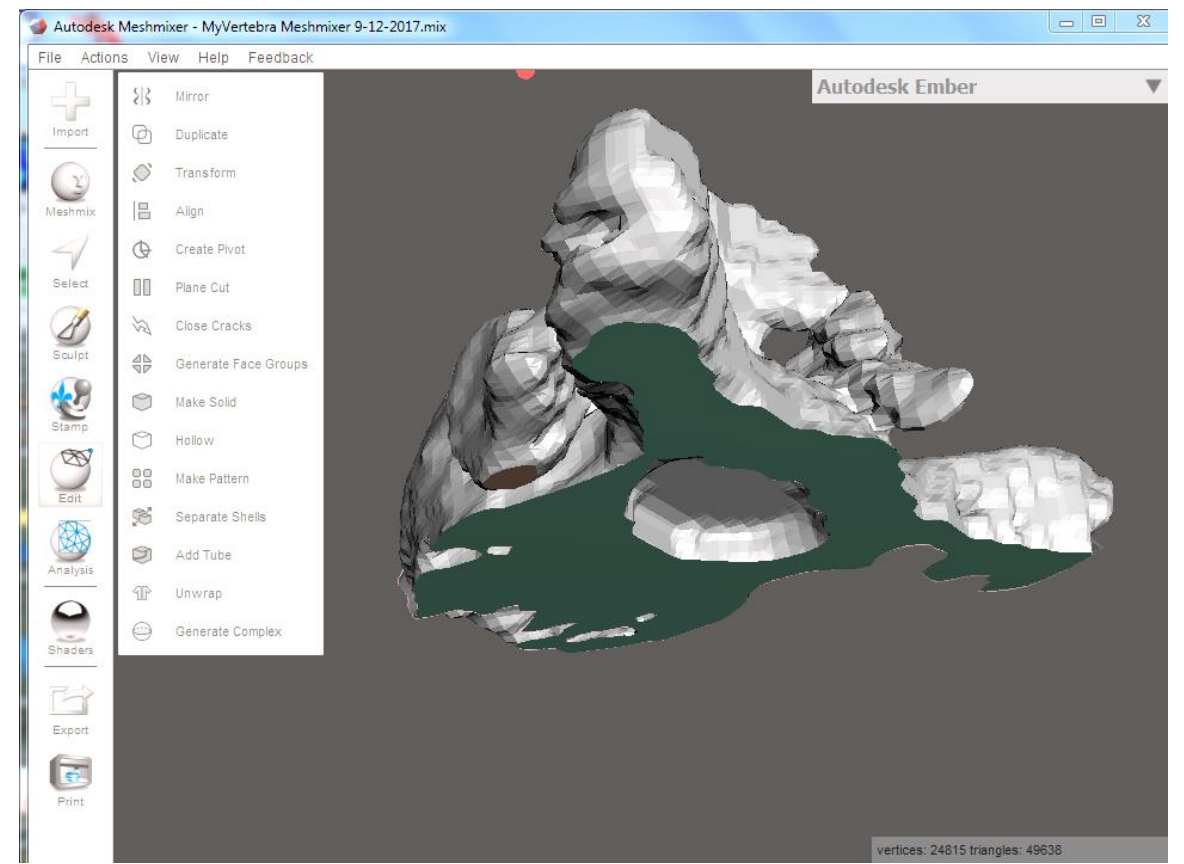
# 3D Rendering...



# *Editing with Meshmixer (freeware)...*



Import the STL Mesh file generated by ITK-Snap.



Edit feature – here slicing in a plane, bottom view.

# Segmentation of the Cerebellum

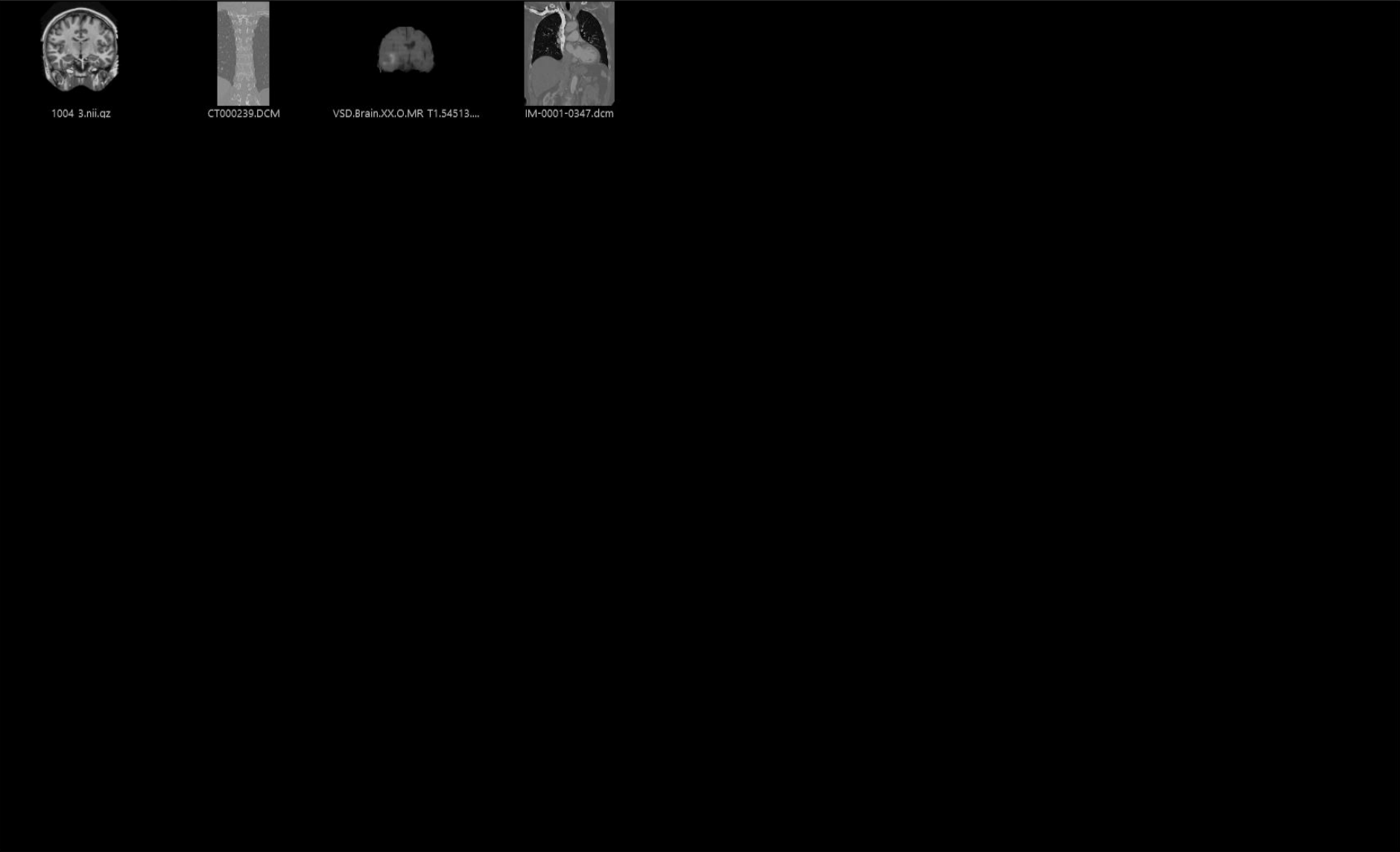
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ITK-SNAP

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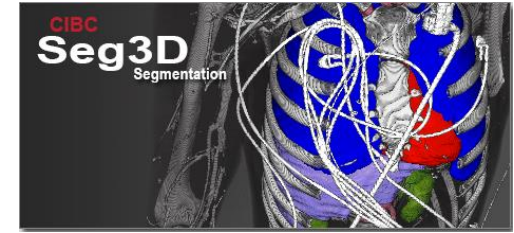
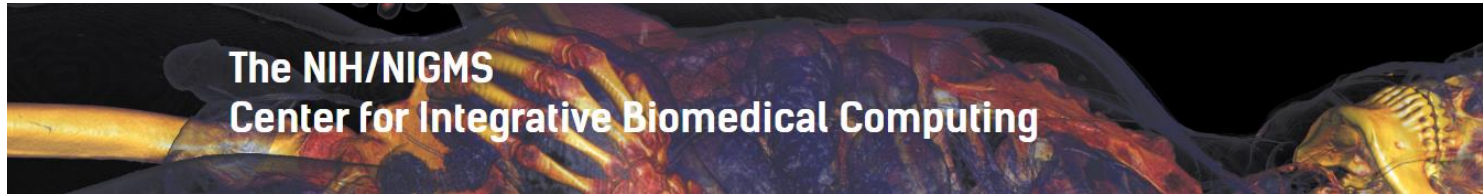
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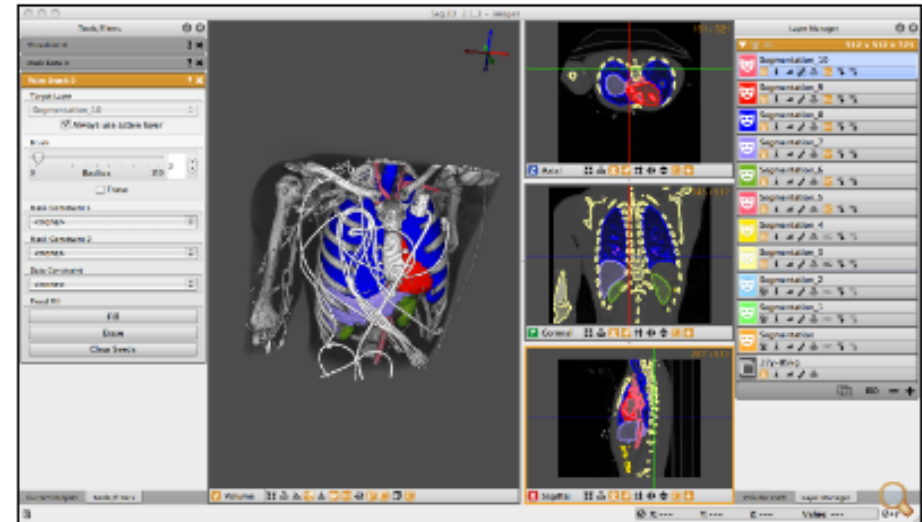




Seg3D is a free volume segmentation and processing tool developed by the NIH Center for Integrative Biomedical Computing at the University of Utah Scientific Computing and Imaging (SCI) Institute. Seg3D combines a flexible manual segmentation interface with powerful higher-dimensional image processing and segmentation algorithms from the Insight Toolkit. Users can explore and label image volumes using volume rendering and orthogonal slice view windows.

Seg3D at a glance:

- Fully 3D interface with multiple volumes managed as layers
- Automatic segmentation integrated with manual contouring
- Volume rendering with 2D transfer function manipulation in real-time
- Image processing and segmentation from the Insight Toolkit (ITK)
- Real time display of ITK filtering output allows for computational steering
- 64-bit enabled for handling large volumes on large memory machines
- Supports many common biomedical image formats
- Open source with BSD-style license
- Cross platform: Windows, OSX, and Linux



# Seg3D

<https://www.sci.utah.edu/cibc-software/seg3d.html>

**Tools/Filters**

**Threshold 1**

Target Layer: <none>

Always use active layer

Threshold

Upper: 323.00

Lower: 318.00

Preview

Show preview

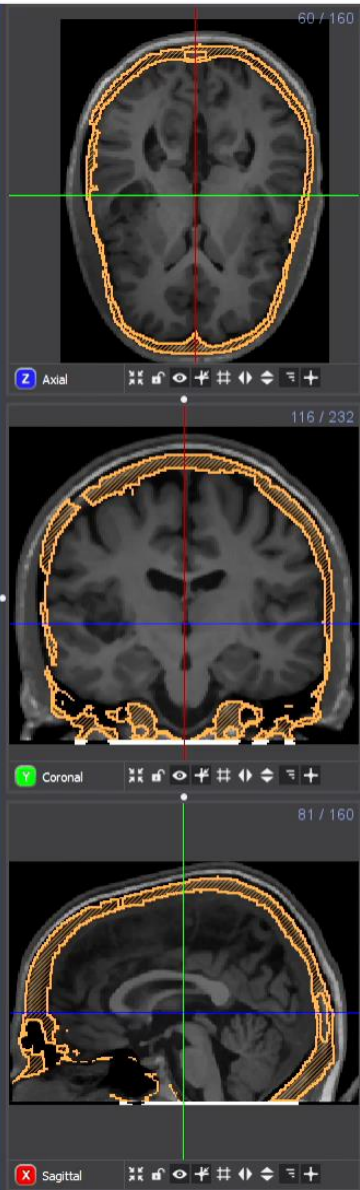
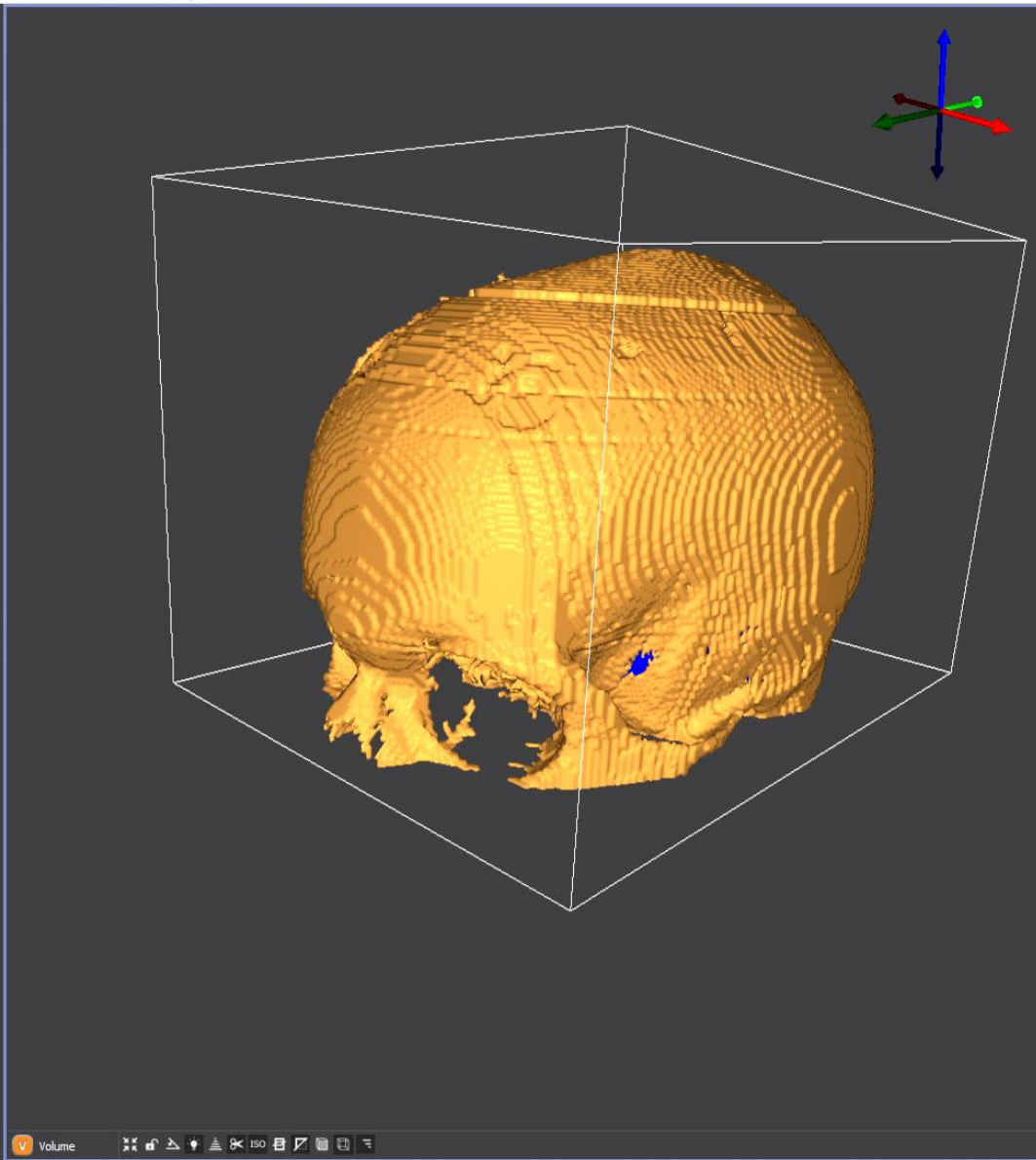
Clear Seeds

Min - Histogram - Max

Logarithmic

Create Threshold Layer

Select a data layer to activate this tool.



**Layer Manager**

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- Skull
- Brain
- MRI-brain-Corrected
- MRI-brain50
- CTbrain50

ISO 160 x 232 x 160

- BrainSkull

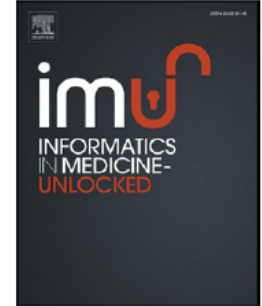


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# Deep learning approaches to biomedical image segmentation

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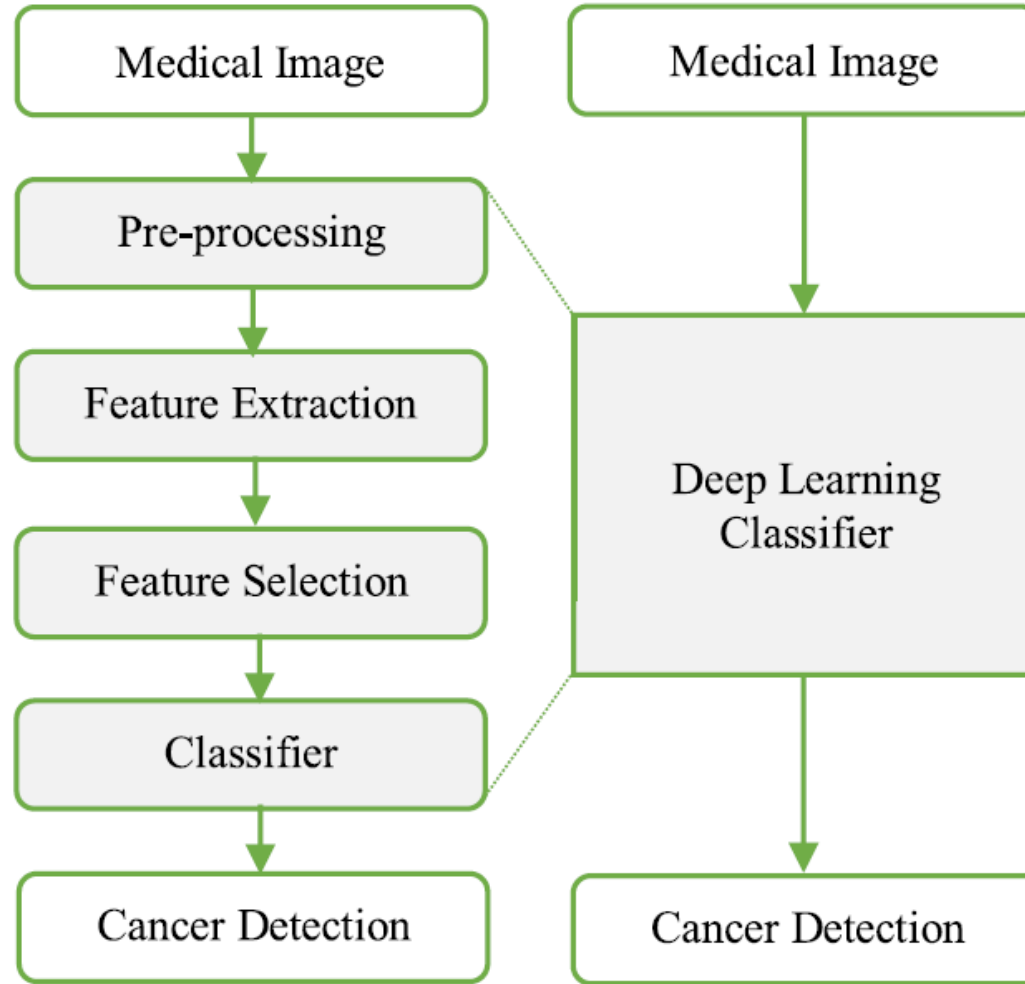


# Machine & Deep Learning

- ▶ Identification and quantification of patterns in medical images.
- ▶ Implications for clinical diagnosis with automated and enhanced throughput, and applications of segmentation – including 3D model building and bioprinting.
- ▶ Simple machine learning includes automated analysis, beginning with *feature extraction* based on visually distinct regions – color, gray scale, texture, contrast and size. These regions have semantic meaning for the given problem. This becomes input into an *ML classifier*, which can determine optimal boundaries.
- ▶ *With a deep learning-based classifier (DLC), raw image data is processed without pre-processing, segmentation and feature extraction.*



Traditional



Future

**Fig. 1.** Change in classifier approach using typical machine learning algorithm and deep learning. Figure adapted from Ref. [14].

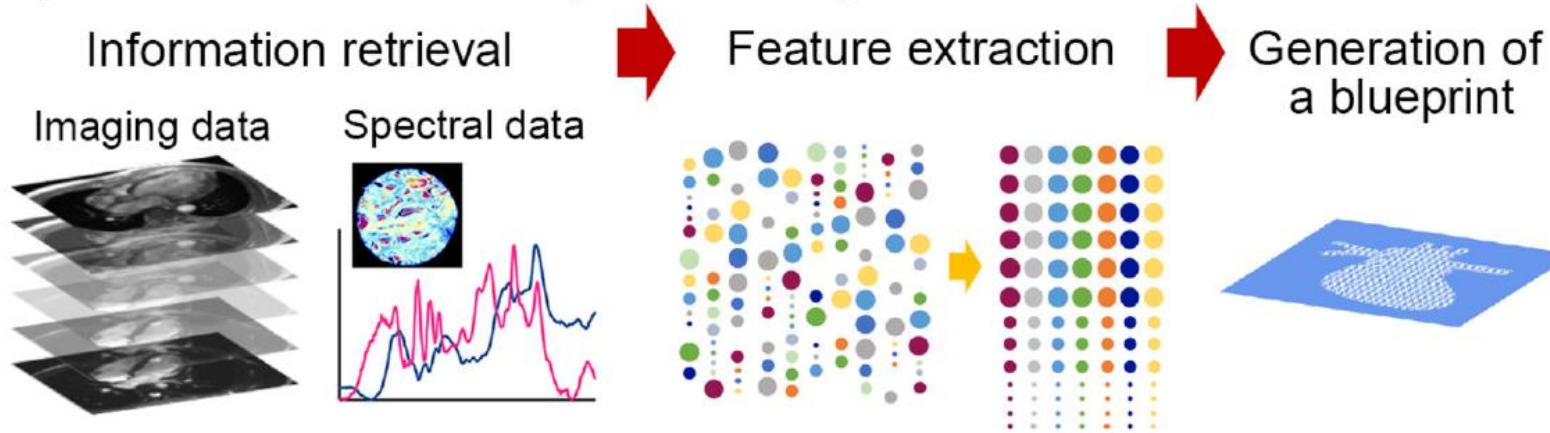


# Engineering Tissue Fabrication With Machine Intelligence: Generating a Blueprint for Regeneration

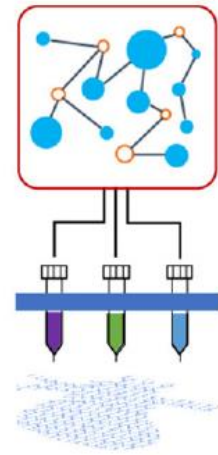
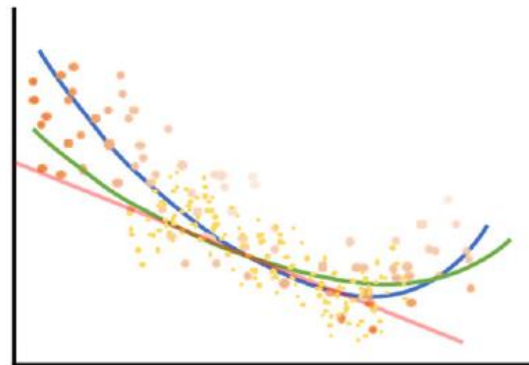
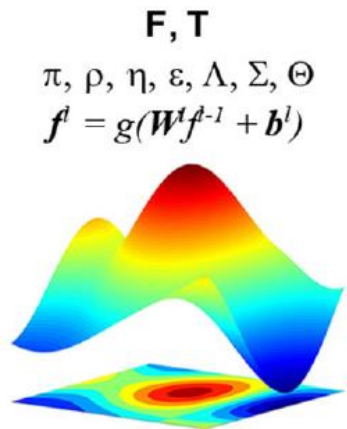
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## 1) Generation of a blueprint for regeneration



## 2) Machine intelligence-guided 3DBP



**Combining 1) and 2) for producing an end-to-end (E2E) platform with unprecedented and accelerated advancement of tissue fabrication**

# Summary

- ▶ Review of Workflow
- ▶ Imaging
- ▶ Design
- ▶ Segmentation
- ▶ Application of Machine Learning and Deep Learning