

3D-printing: a future “magic wand” for global manufacturing. How can we benefit from it today for sports and health care?

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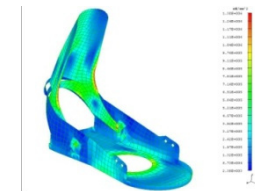


OUTLINE OF THE TALK

- *Who we are*
- *What is 3D printing*
- *Common perception of 3Dp*
- *Place of 3Dp related to other technologies*
- *How it works in a nutshell: polymers, metal*

Some 3Dp applications

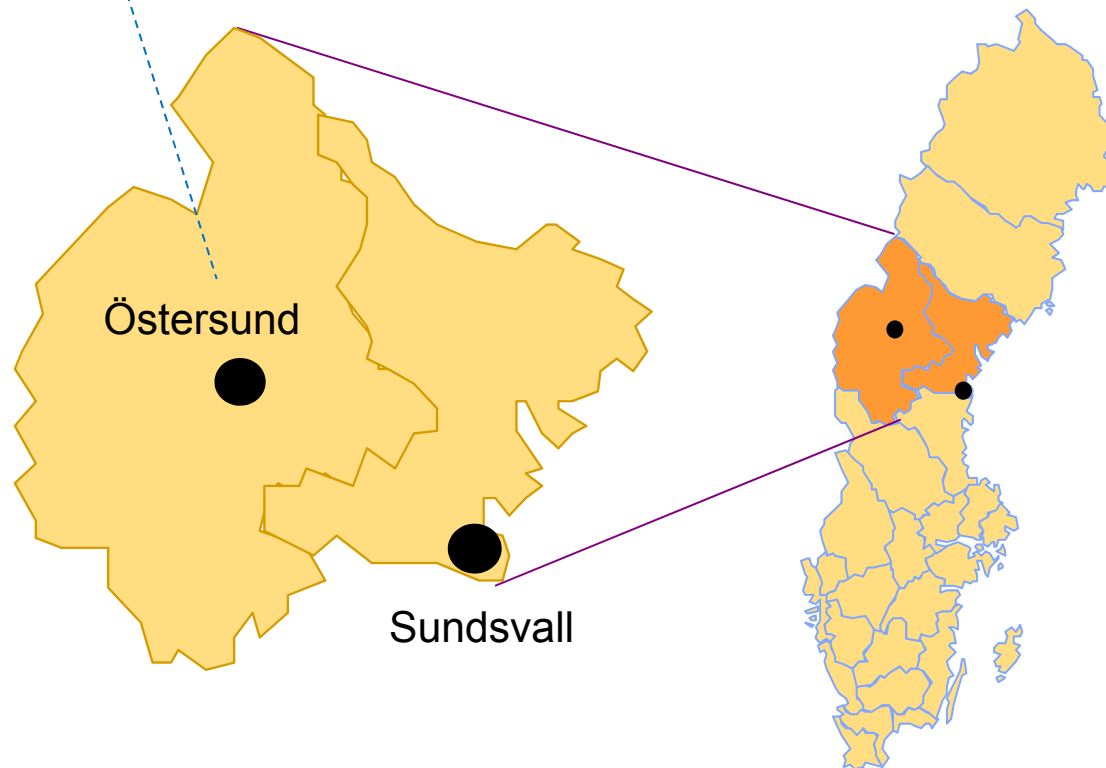
- *for general technology*
- *for sports technology*
- *for injury prevention*
- *for injury treatment*
- *for para-sport*
- *Summary and Conclusions*



WHO WE ARE



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Mid Sweden University



City of Östersund

600 km north from Stockholm, County of Jamtland, about 37,000 people

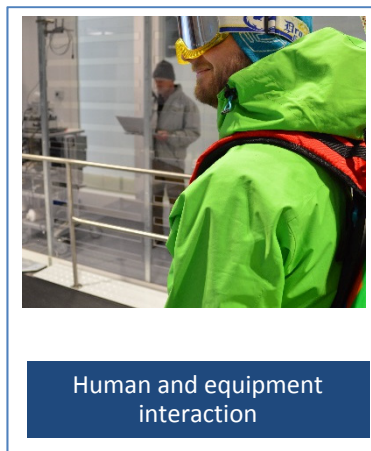
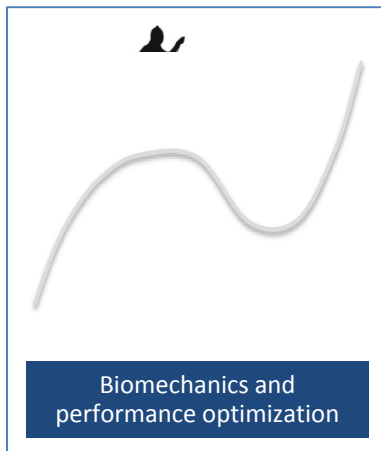


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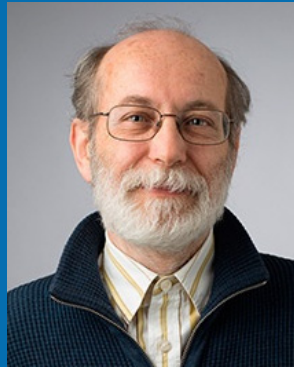


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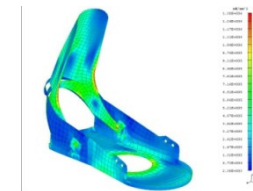


Dr.
Marie Cronsör

Actively using AM technology; AM in metal- since 2000

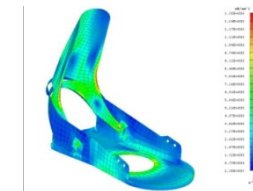
WHAT DO PEOPLE KNOW OF 3D PRINTING

*Is there anyone here
who does not know anything
about 3D printing?*



WHAT DO WE KNOW OF 3D PRINTING

*Point of view:
Economist*



WHAT DO WE KNOW OF 3D PRINTING

*Point of view:
Cartoonist*



CGI 3D Animated Short HD: "Print Your Guy"

WHAT DO WE KNOW OF 3D PRINTING

Point of view:

Olaf Diegel

Professor, Lund University, Sweden



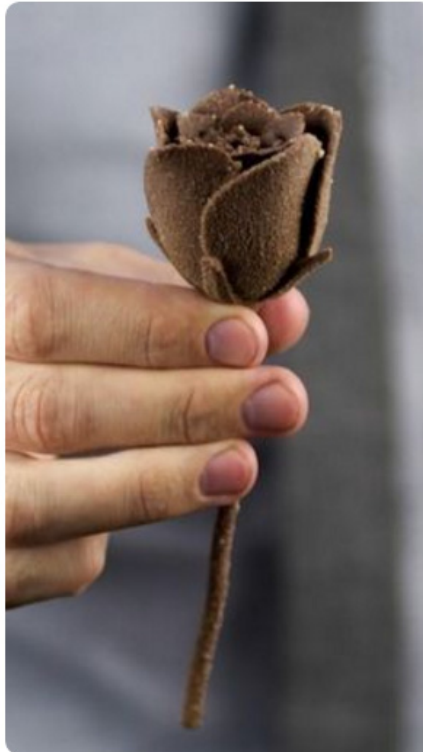
<http://www.product.lth.se/staff/olaf-diegel>

WHAT DO WE KNOW OF 3D PRINTING

Point of view: Food lovers



3D-printed gummies are real
and you can eat them

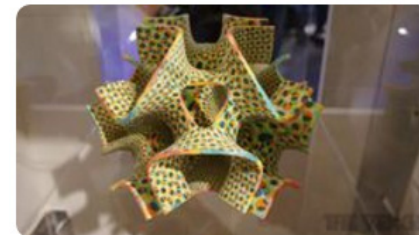


3D Systems Unveils CocoJet
Chocolate 3D Printer At 2015 CES

<http://www.3ders.org/>



3-D Printed Candy Makes Me
Love The Future



Eating delicious 3D candy
printed by a ChefJet

WHAT DO WE KNOW OF 3D PRINTING

*Point of view:
clothes & shoes
designer*

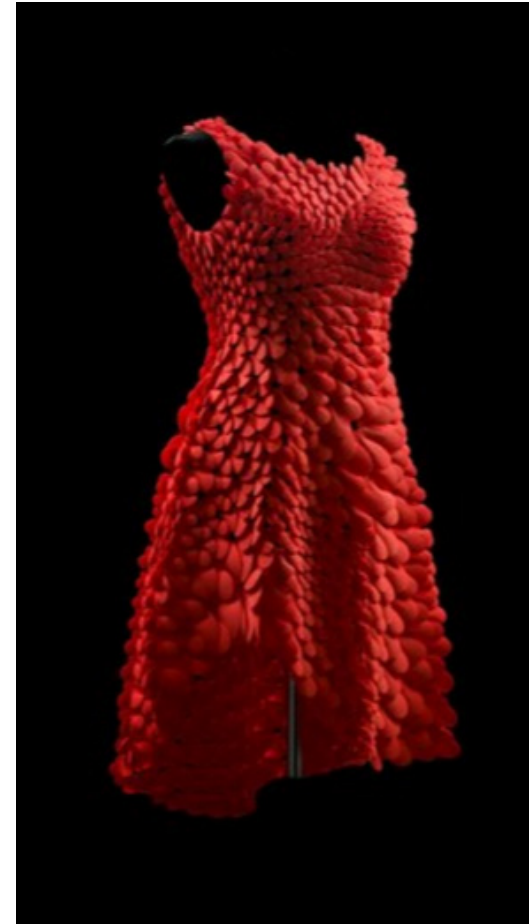
3dprint.com

**These 3D Printed Carbon Fiber Shoes
are an Engineering “Feet”**



<https://www.wired.com/2016/03/3-d-printed-dress-thats-almost-practical-enough-wear/#slide-1>

**A 3-D PRINTED DRESS THAT’S ALMOST
PRACTICAL ENOUGH TO WEAR**



WHAT DO WE KNOW OF 3D PRINTING

Construction business

<https://www.engadget.com/2017/03/07/apis-cor-3d-printed-house/>



San Francisco-based startup Apis Cor built a whole house in a Russian town within 24 hours.

WHAT DO WE KNOW OF 3D PRINTING

*Bio science:
body parts
and tissues*

nature International weekly journal of science

NATURE | NEWS 15 April 2015

The printed organs coming to a body near you



Frank Wojciechowski

The increasing sophistication of 3D printing is shown in an ear that melds biological and electronic parts.

POSSIBILITIES

*And many more
possibilities already exist
It looks that there are no limits!
Actually, there are!
And though these limits are
'high in the sky'
we need to know them!*

I HAVE NEWS FOR YOU

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*All mentioned technologies
strictly speaking*

ARE NOT PRINTING!

*So I shall use the term
Additive Manufacturing
(AM)*



AM MACHINES AT SPORTS TECH

Fused deposition modeling (FDM)- polymers



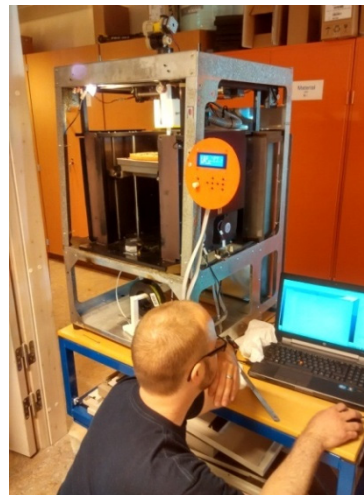
Powder-bed fusion: metals and alloys



A2 EBM[®] machine
by ARCAM

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Universal test platform



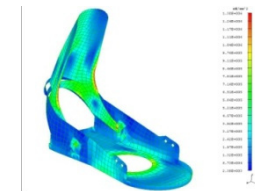
Bubble-jet **printer**
(polymers)

ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING

Adding material layer by layer:

We are getting an unprecedented possibility to design components of extremely complex shapes, and to manufacture them in a single technological process

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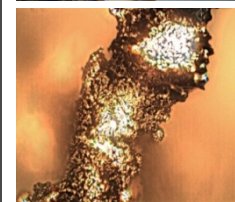
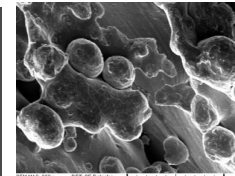
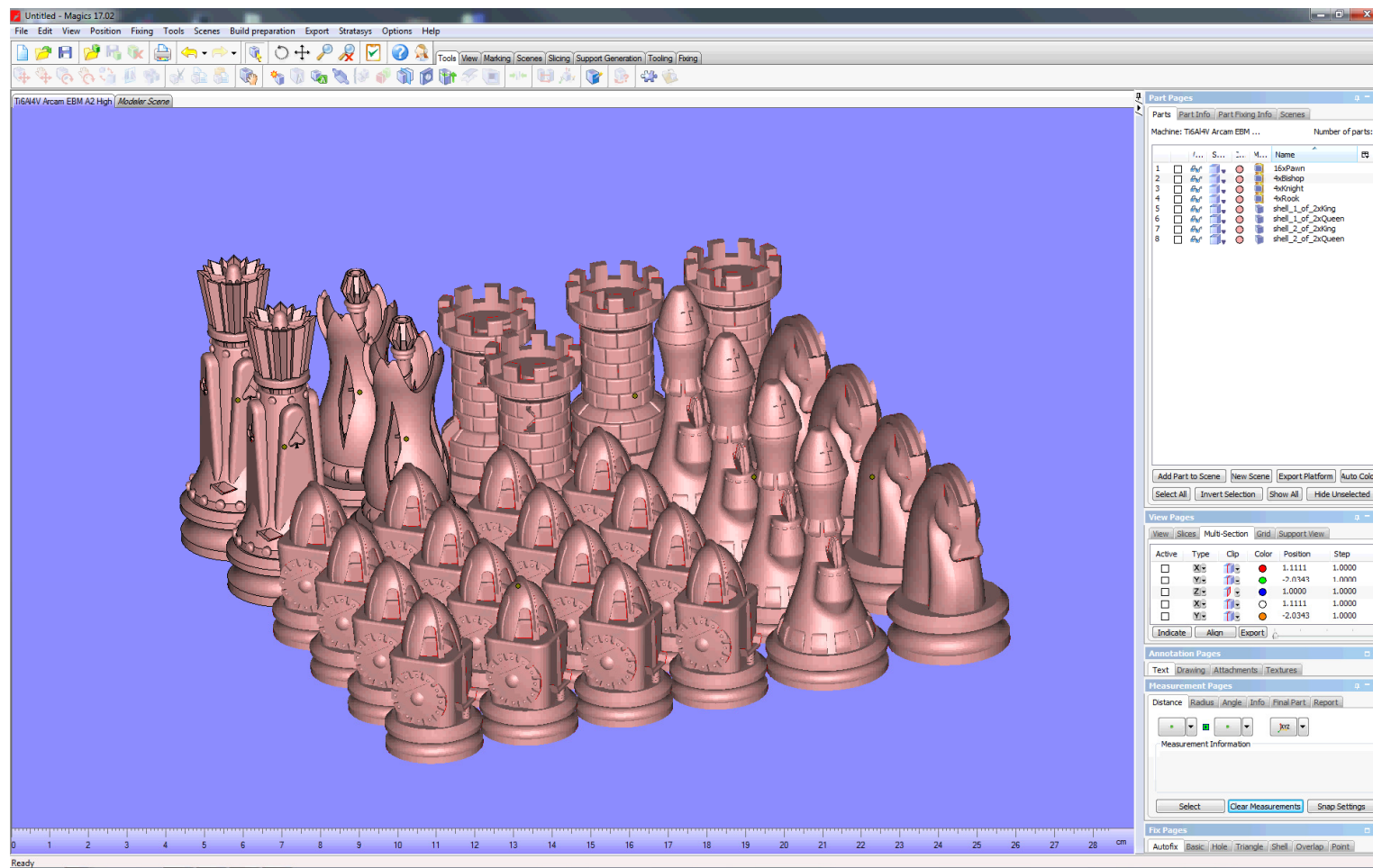
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VAC: HVAC
DET: SE Detector
DATE: 06/01/11
Device: M2/2000P
200 μm
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AM: LAYER-BY-LAYER

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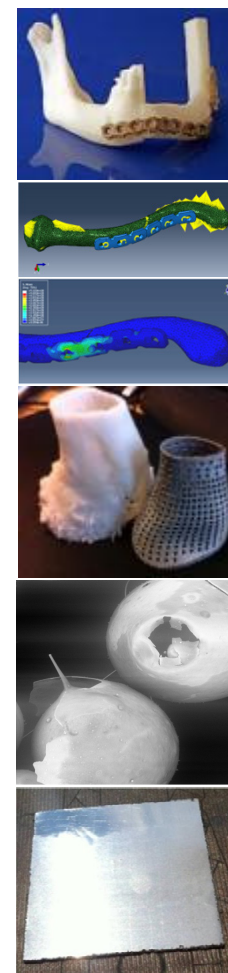
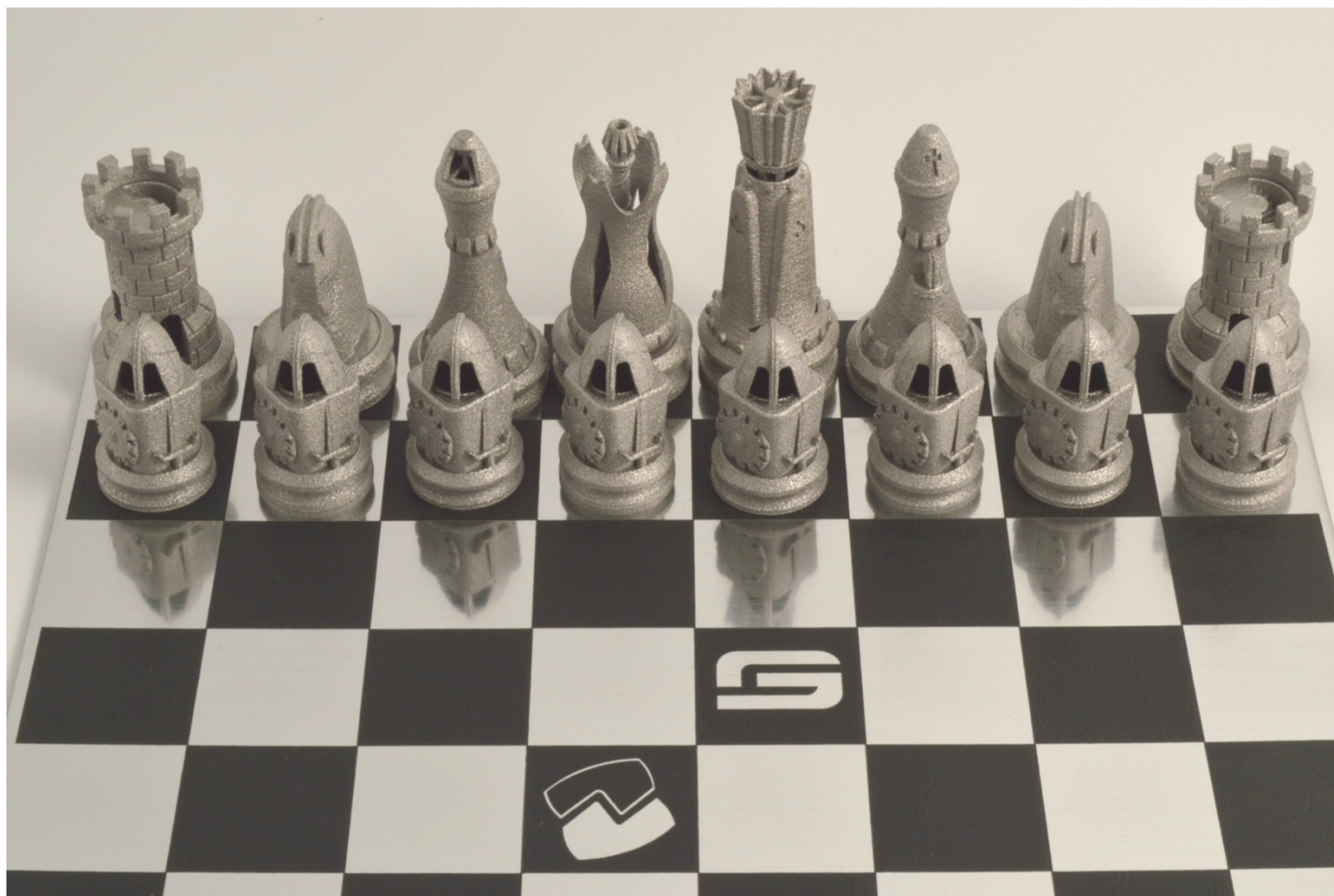
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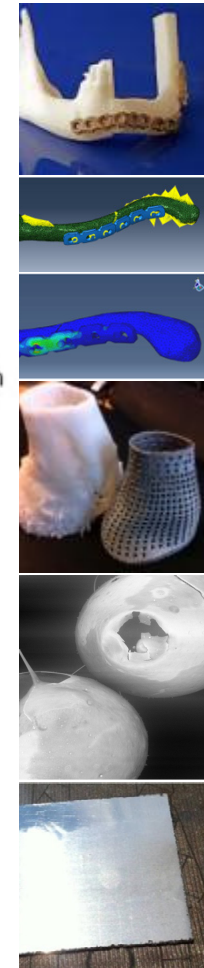
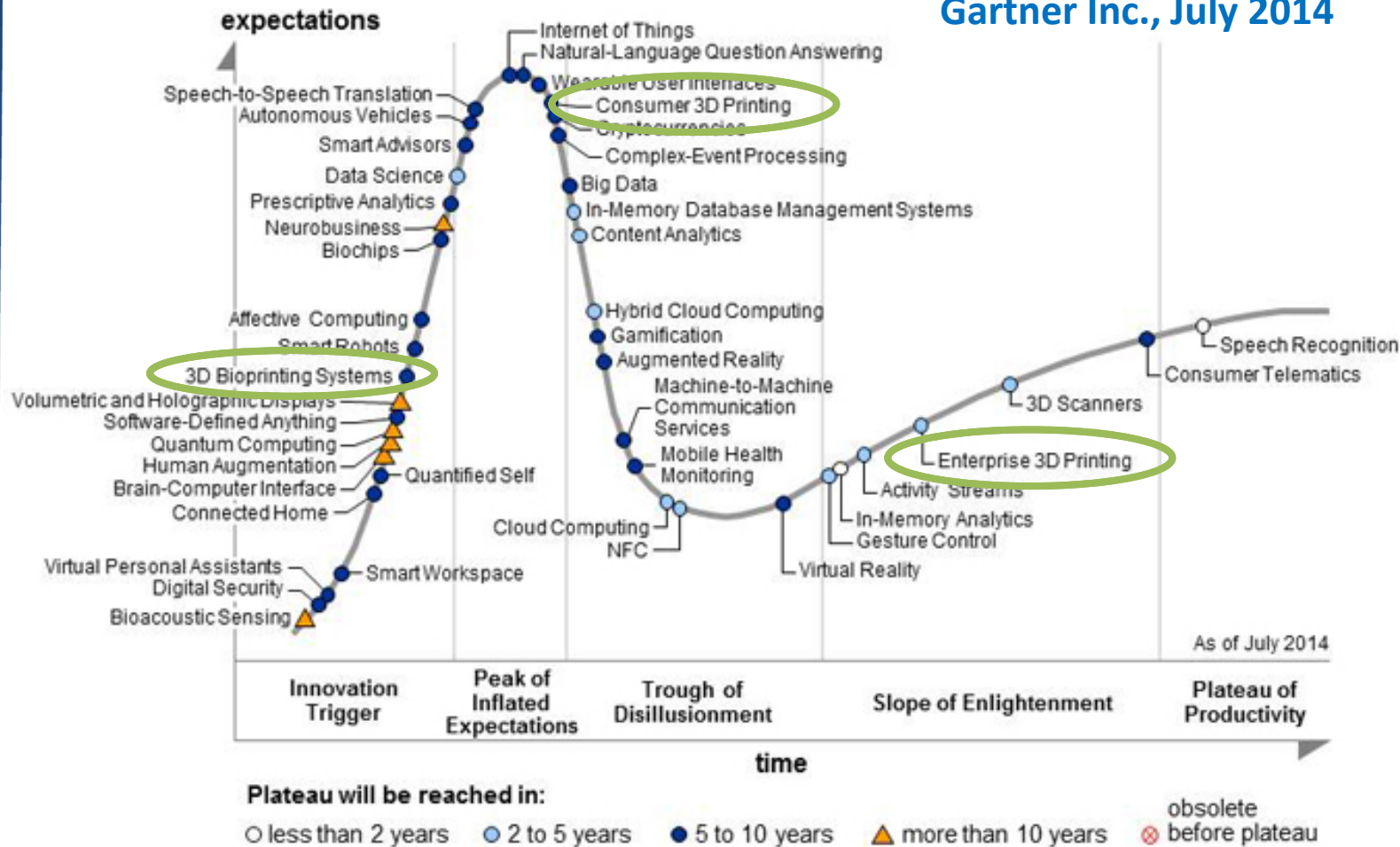
Result of manufacturing

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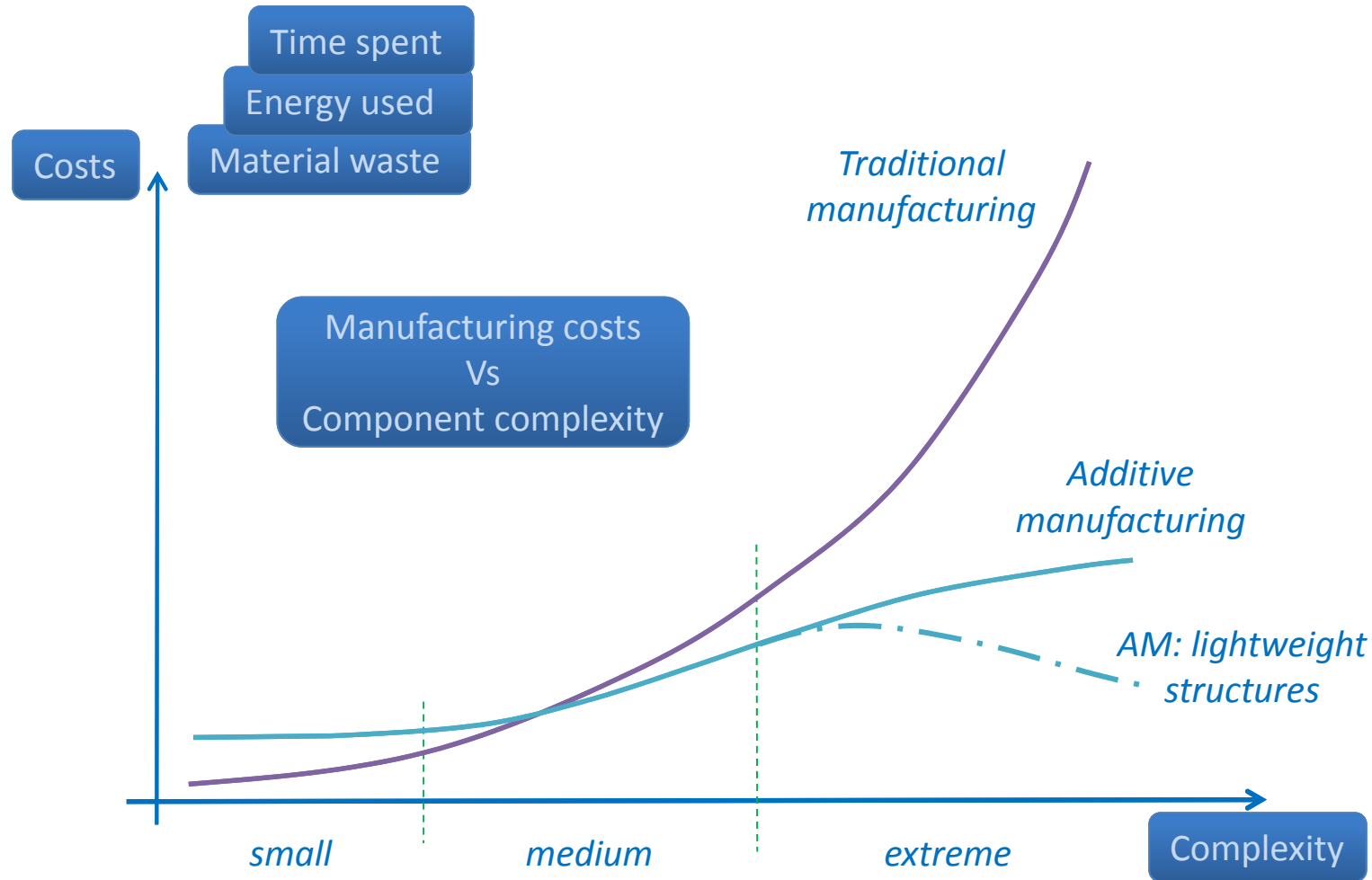
AM IN REAL WORLD

Gartner Inc., July 2014

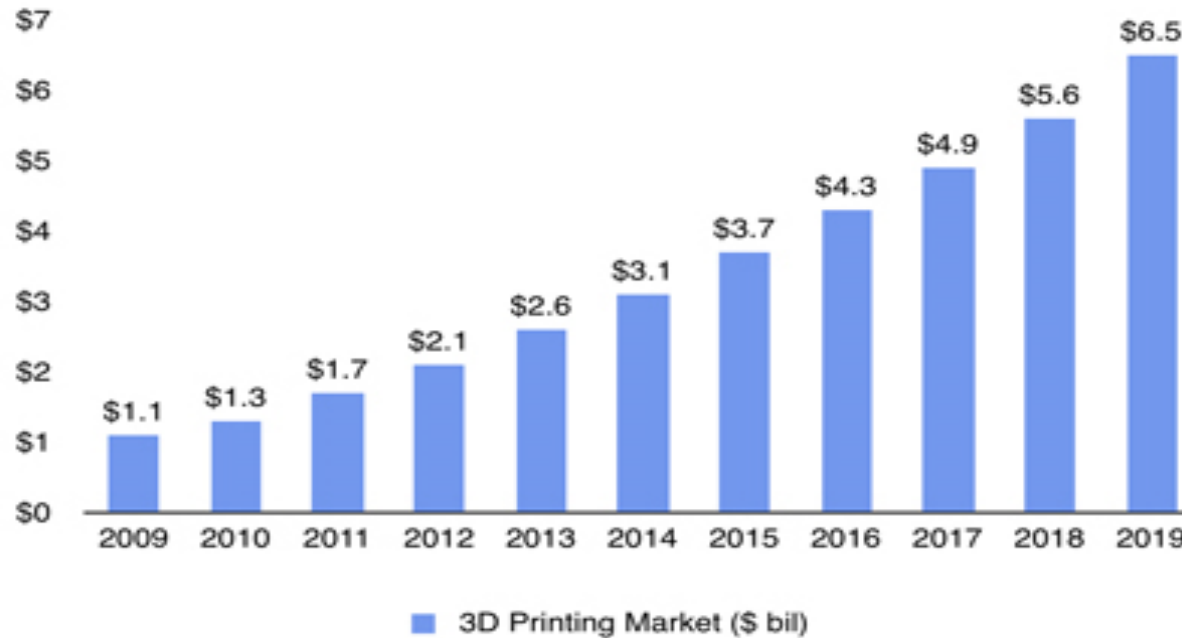


AM: EFFICIENCY

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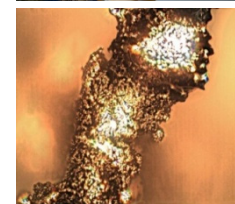
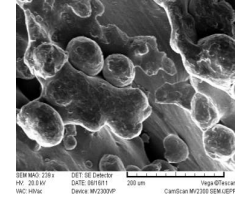
FUTURE MARKET



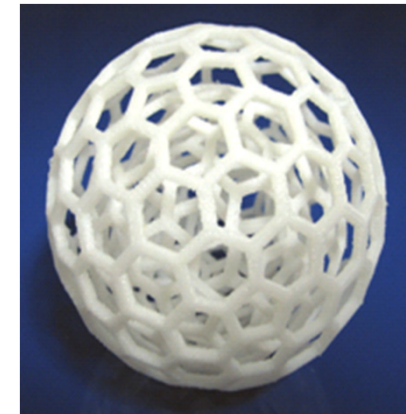
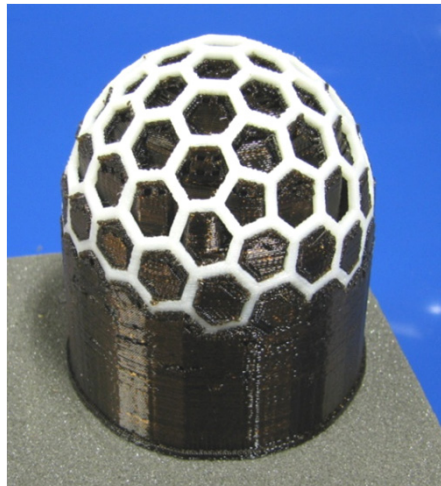
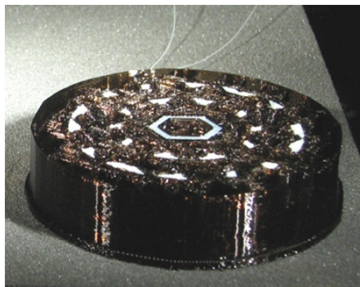
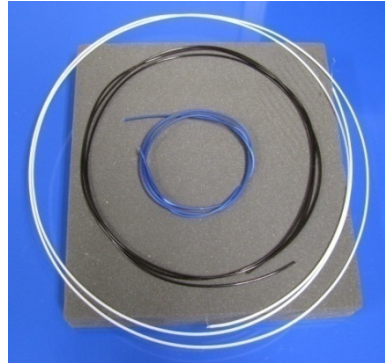
Source: Citi, Wohlers Associates.

According to **Wohlers Associates** and **Citigroup** (2014), the 3-D printing market could grow to \$6.5 billion by 2019 from less than \$3.5 billion today. The aerospace, orthopedic, and other high value, low volume industries will be the earliest adopters

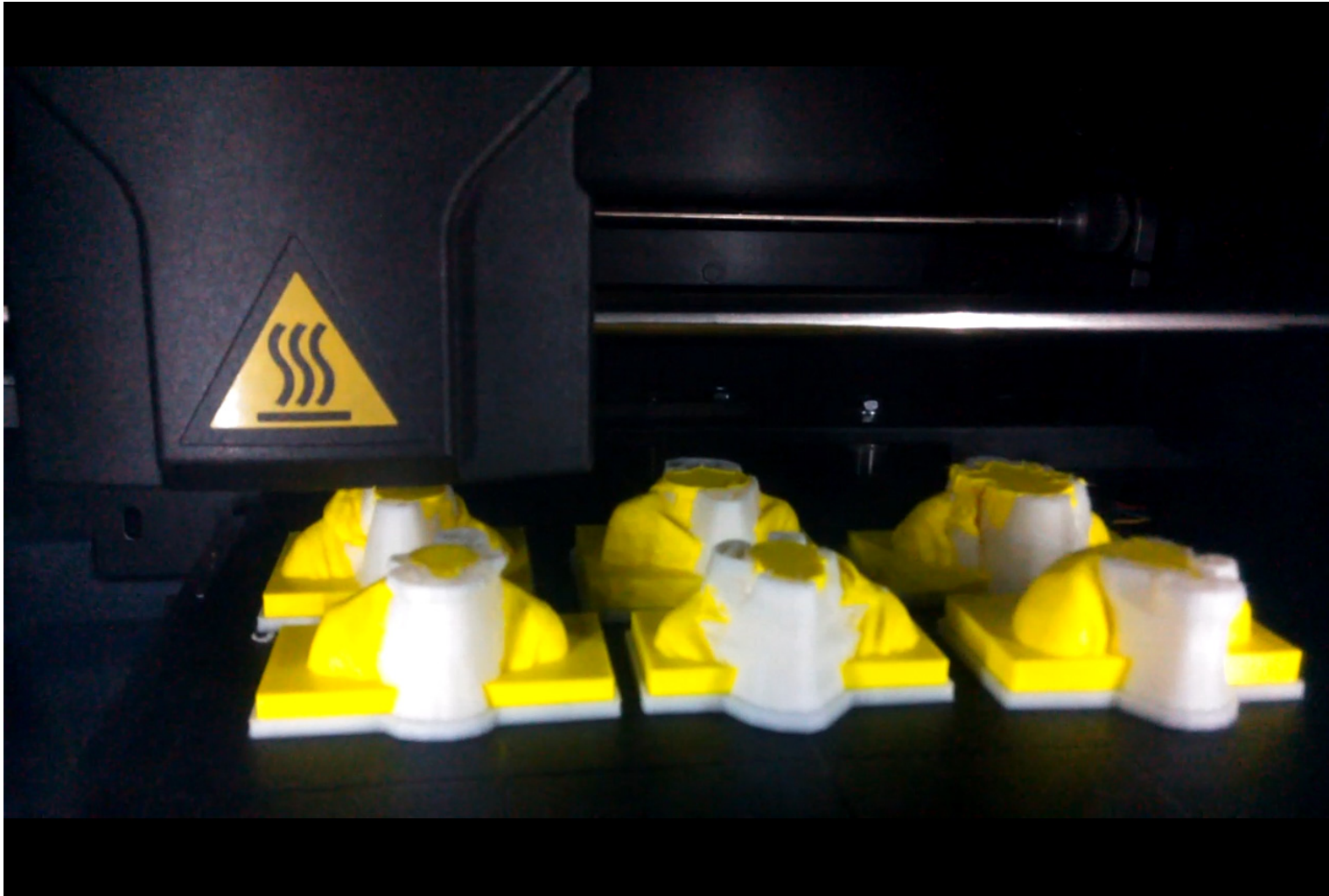
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AM IN POLYMERS: FDM



FDM IN ACTION



AM IN METAL: EBM = POWDER BED PROCESS



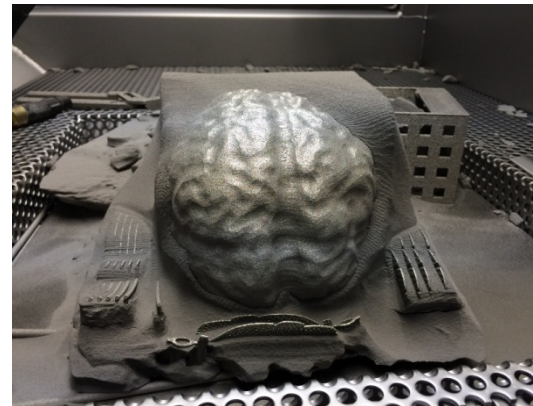
Inside vacuum chamber



Powder Recovery System



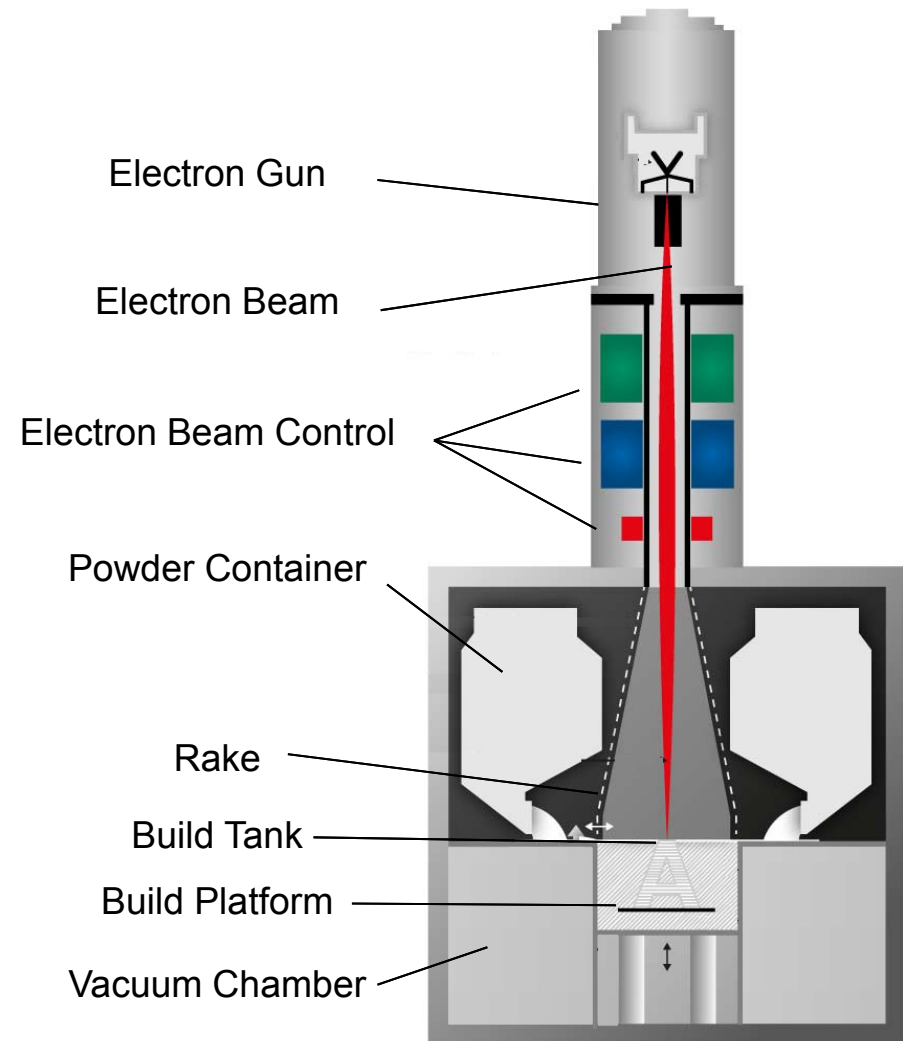
Components inside sintered powder



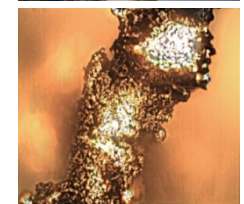
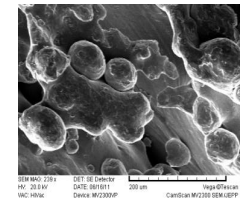
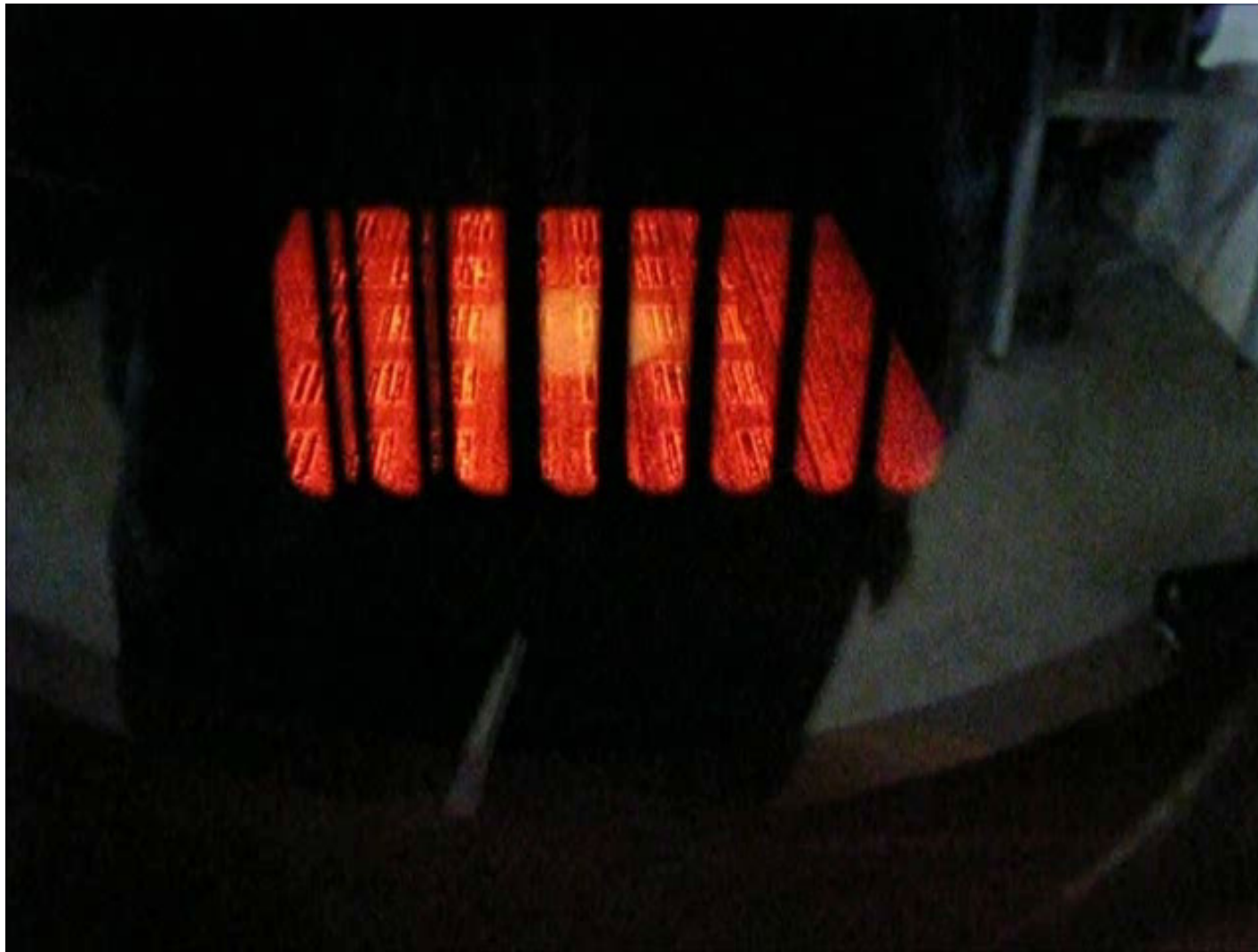
ELECTRON BEAM MELTING



A2X EBM® machine

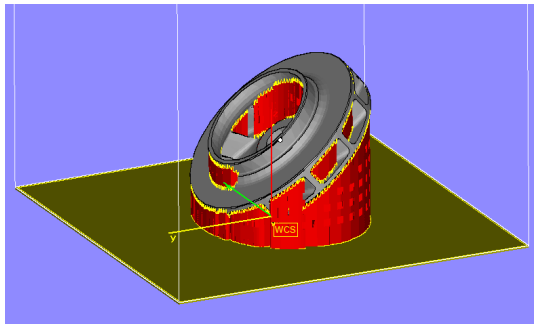


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ADVANTAGES FOR TECHNOLOGY

Complex shapes- in a single technological process



Unique new materials

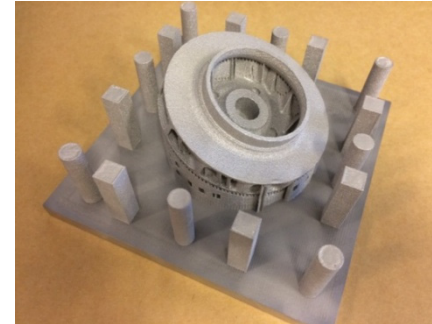


VIBIN
COMPONENTS



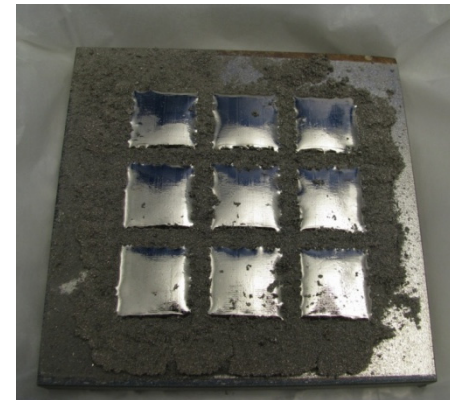
High C tooling steel

316L stainless steel

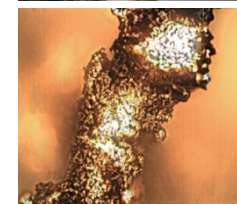
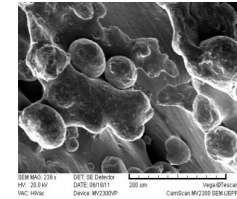


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Amorphous steel (BMG)



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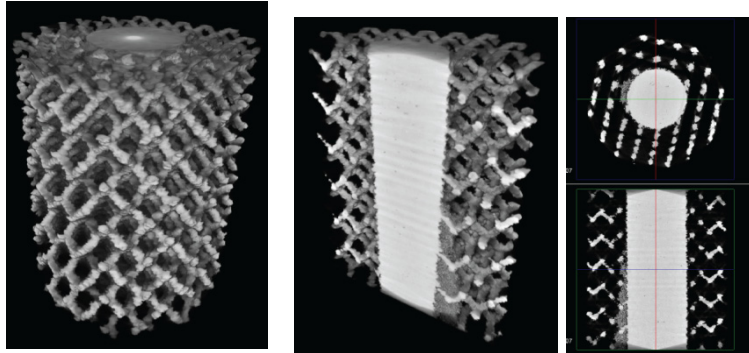
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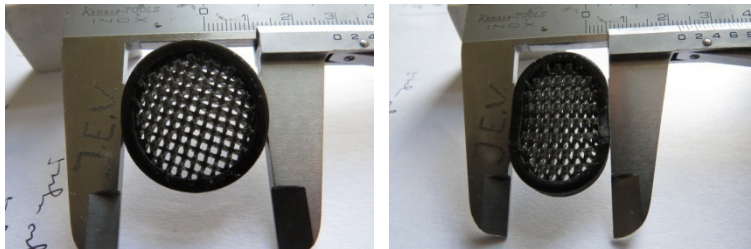
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ADVANTAGES FOR TECHNOLOGY

Complex and lightweight structures



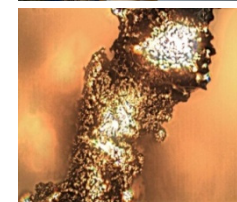
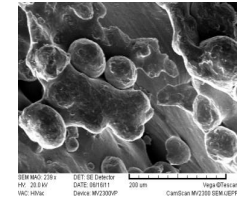
Ti and Ti64



Hard and soft polymers

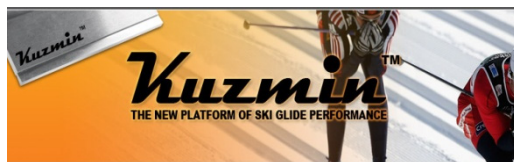


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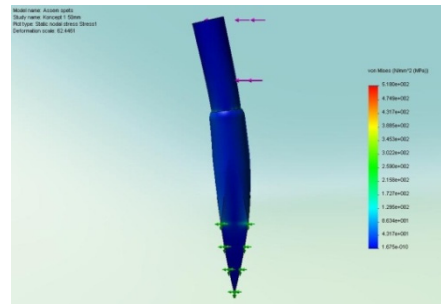
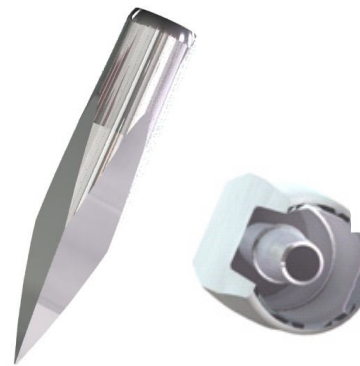


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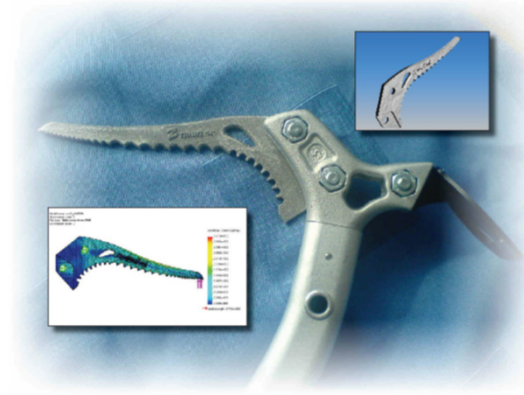
Prototyping



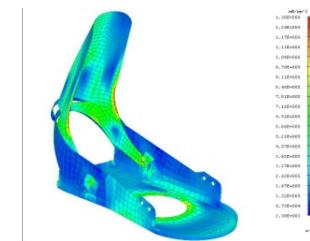
Ergonomic ski pole grip



Ice pole tip in CoCr



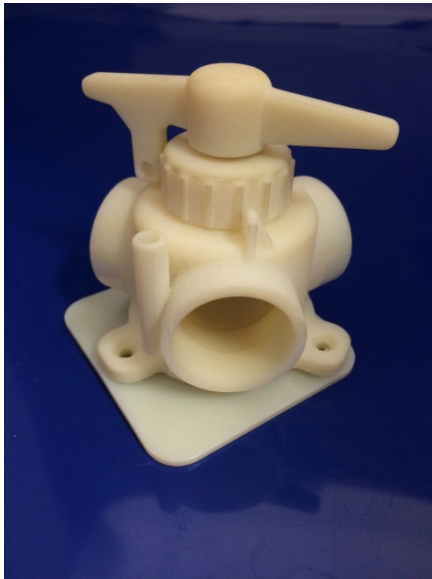
Ice ax blade in CoCr



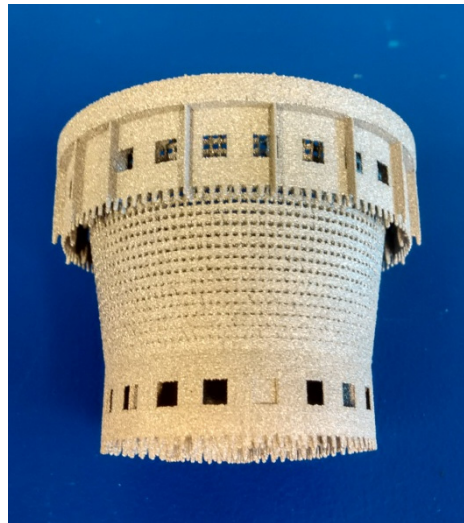
Ski bindings

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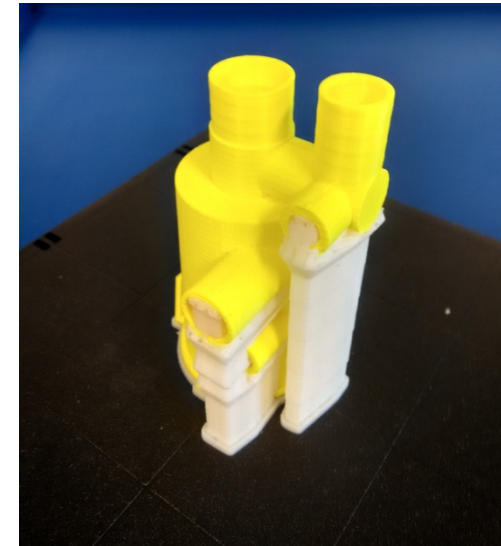
Prototyping and construction elements



*Field Douglas Bag Valve
(ABS)*



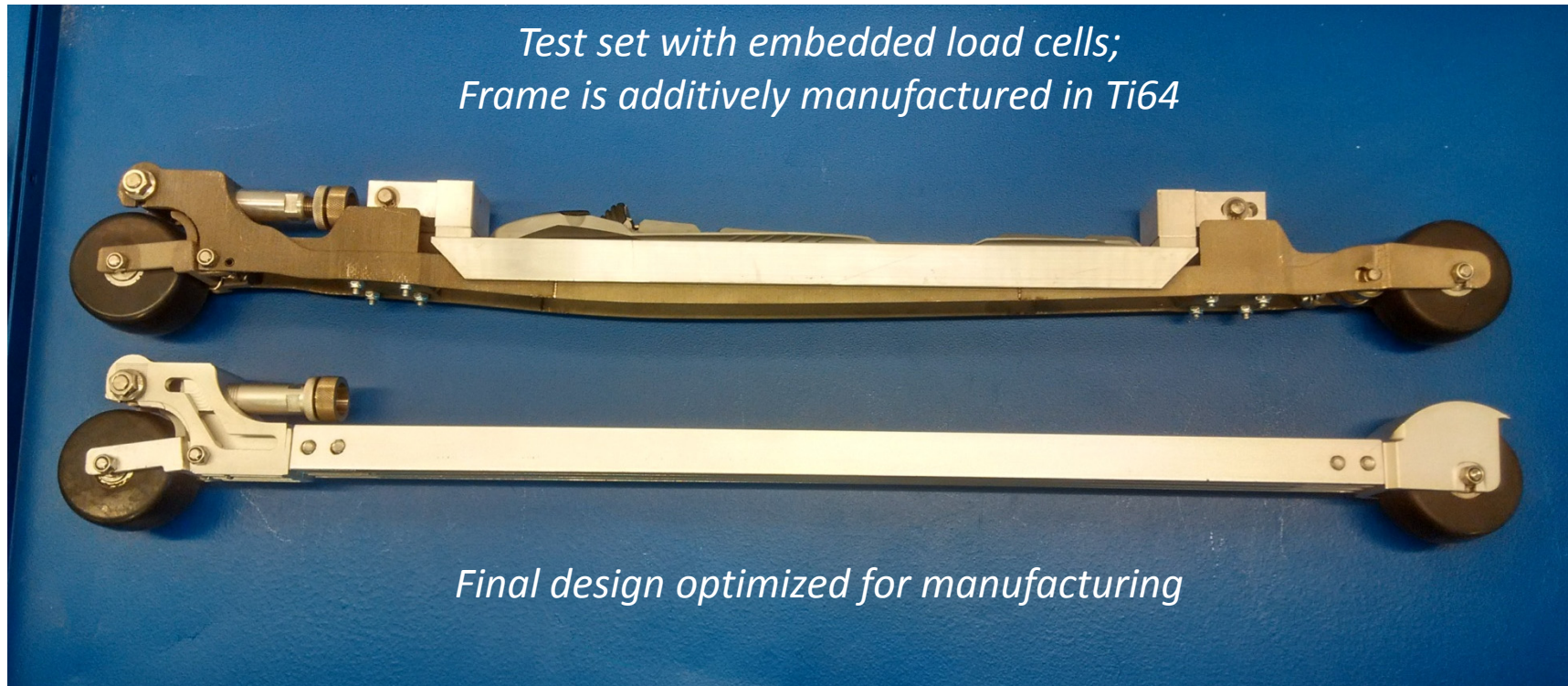
*Camp gas burner Head
(Ti64)*



*Part for gas flow system
(ABS)*

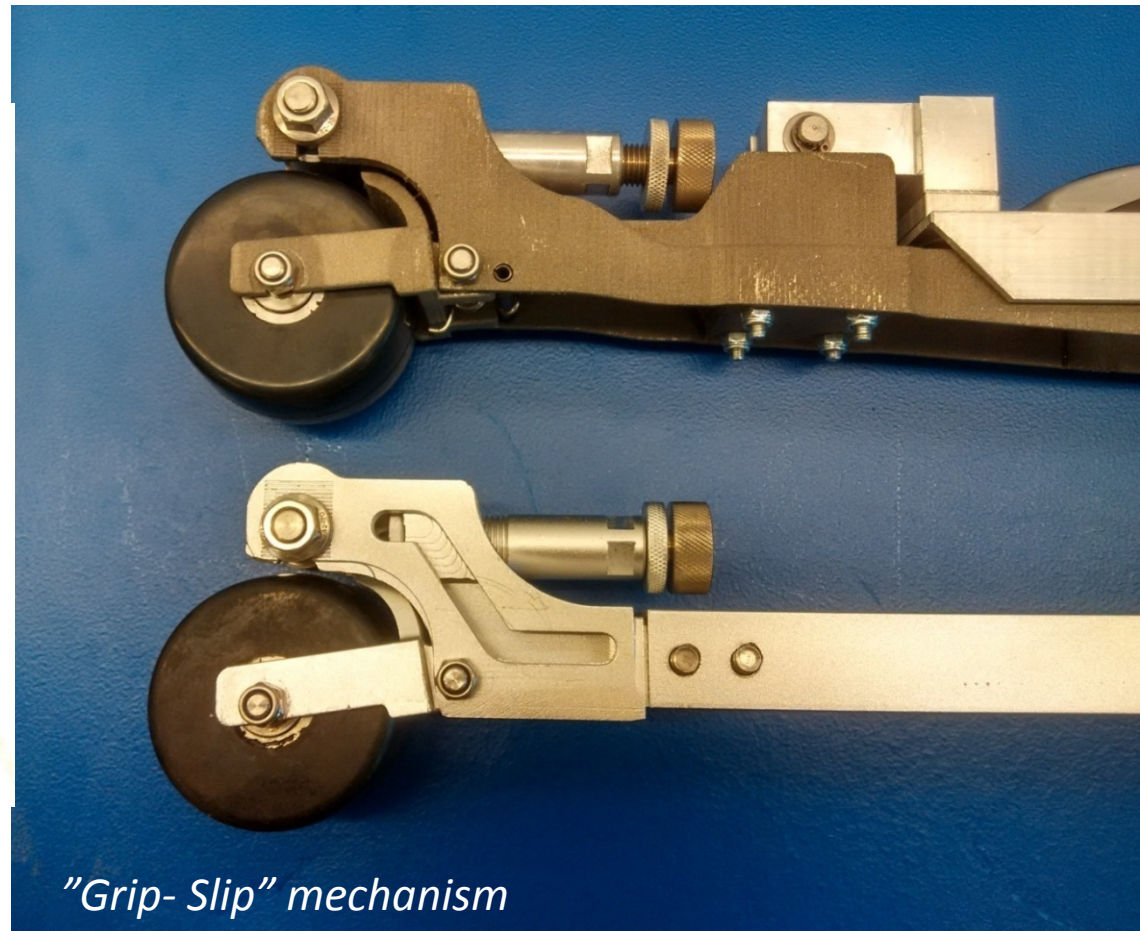
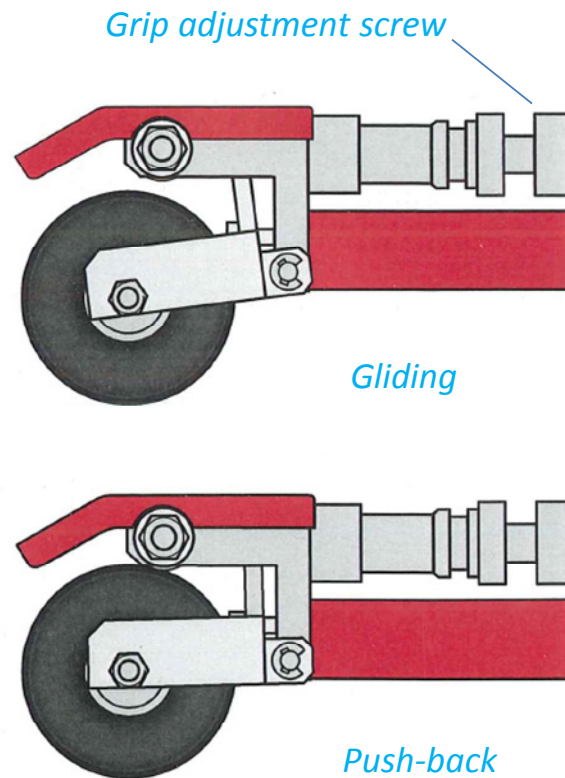
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Prototyping and construction: “Challenger” roller skis



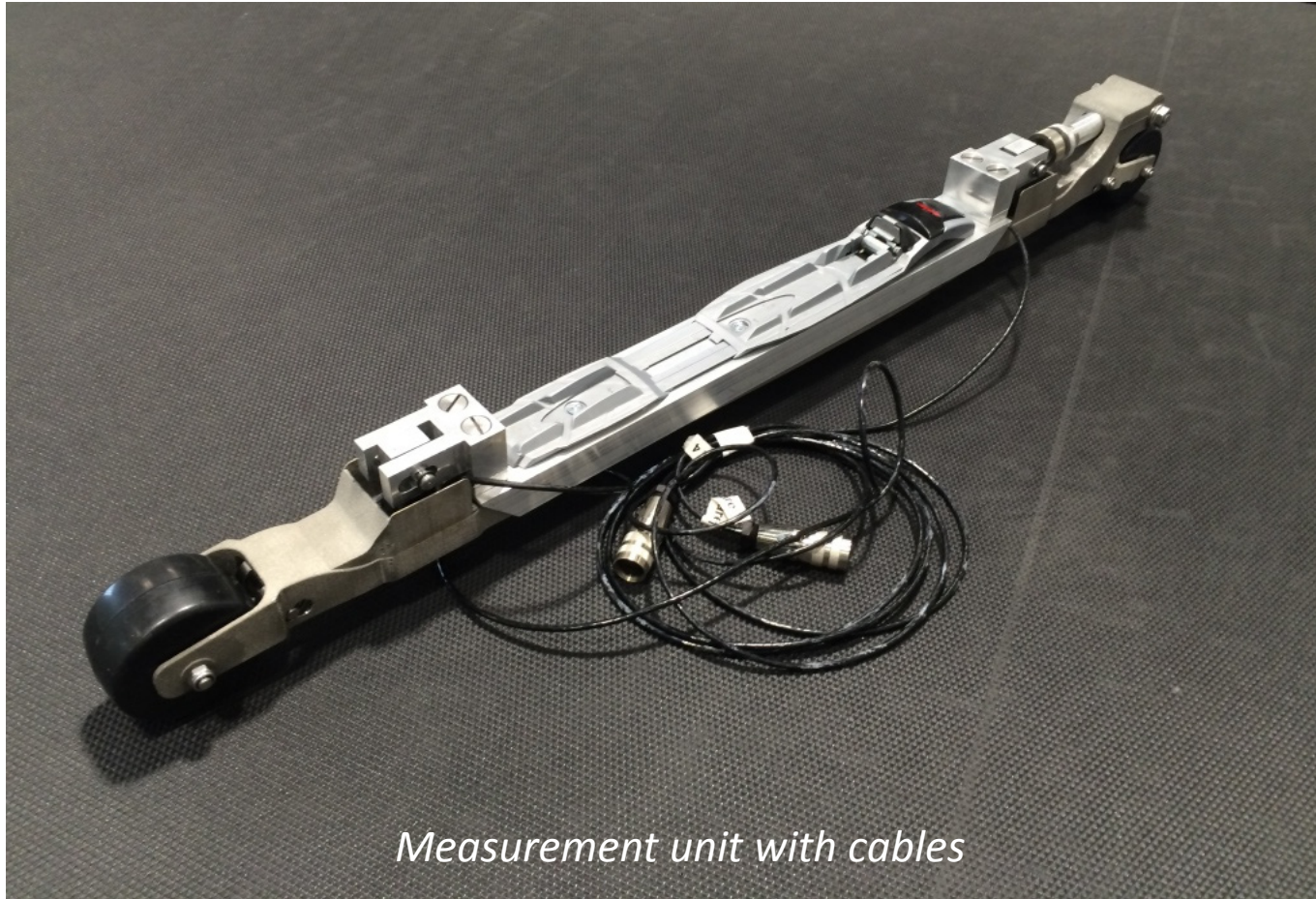
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“Challenger” roller skis



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“Challenger” roller skis



Measurement unit with cables

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Lightweight elements- bike



Elements of the frame



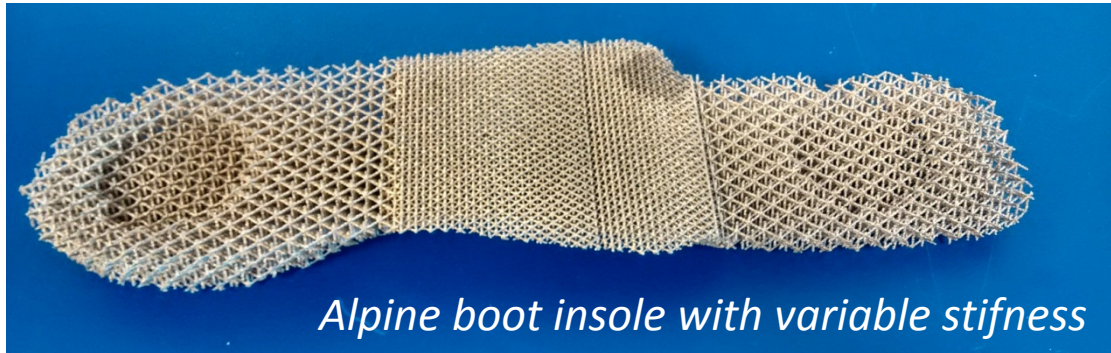
Crankshaft

Courtesy of AIM Sweden AB



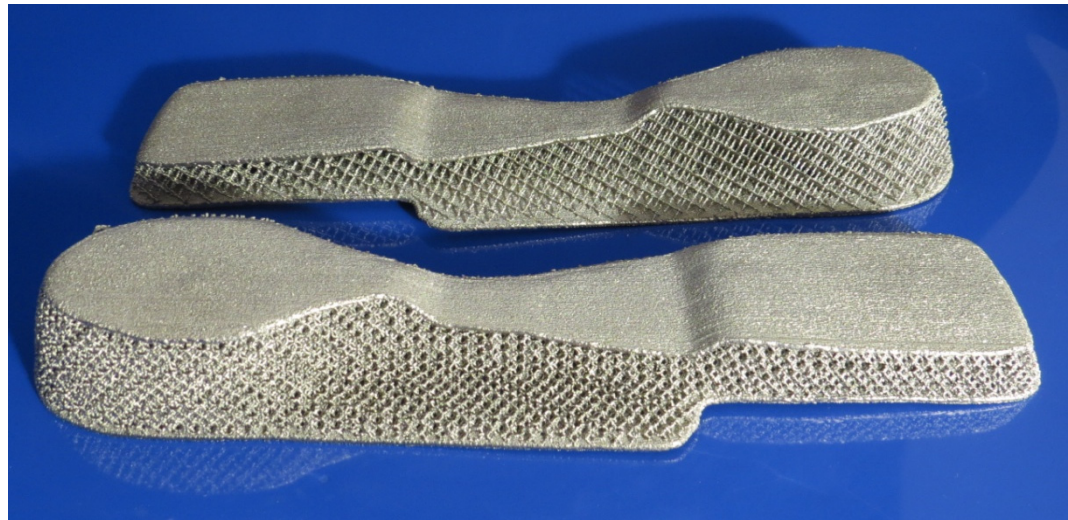
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Lightweight elements- alpine skiing



Alpine boot insole with variable stiffness

*Lightweight,
Stiff insoles
(Ti 64)*



AM FOR INJURY PREVENTION

Guards and other protection elements



*Individually fit shin guards
Material: ABS*

AM FOR INJURY PREVENTION: PHYSICAL MODELING

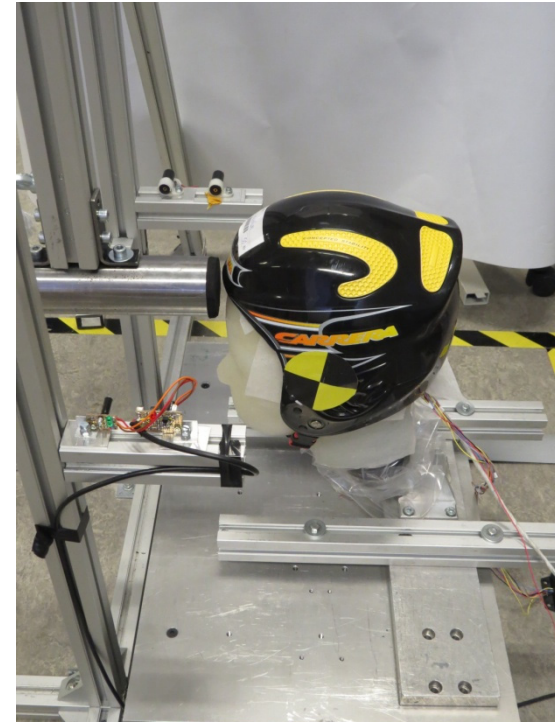


Material: ABS

*Surrogate arm for glove tests
in a freezer:
thin polymer shell filled with
water
with embedded T sensors*

SURROGATE HEAD

for helmet tests and brain injury mechanism studies



“Artificial head” with rubber “skin”, eight 3-axis accelerometers and two gyroscopes in its rubber brain, and eight pressure sensors in ABS scull monitoring dynamics of the pressure in the “cranial fluid” (silicone oil)

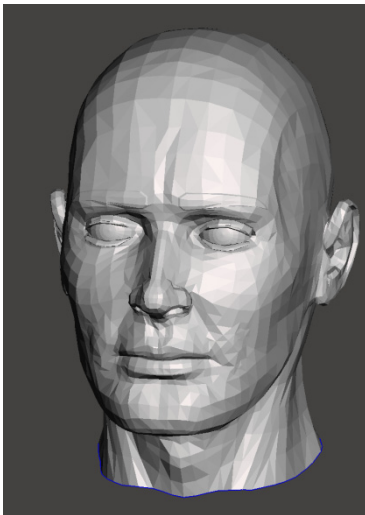


PIXEL-TO-PROTOTYPE ROUTE

Making CAD files basing on the CT image

Separating for the 'elements': skull, brain, skin:

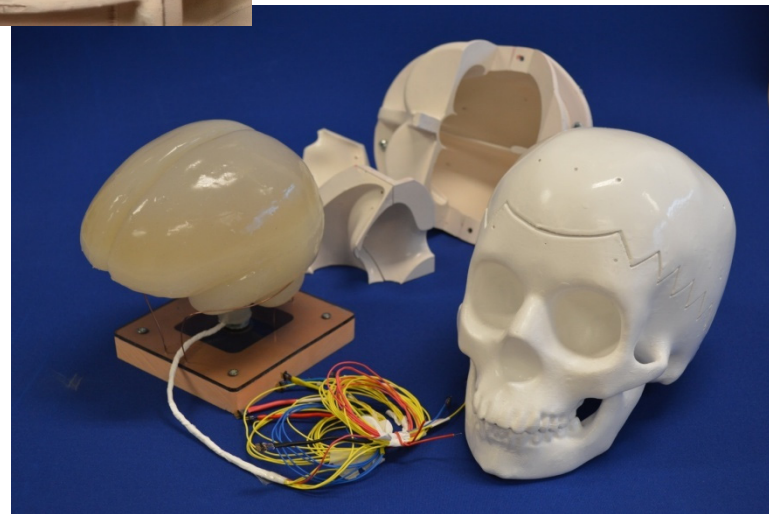
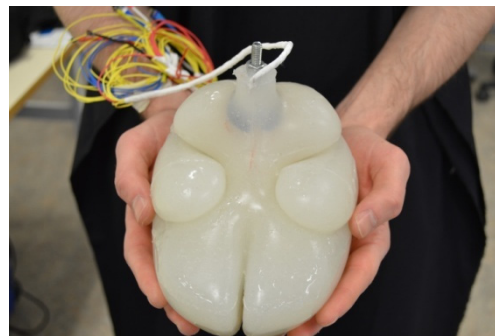
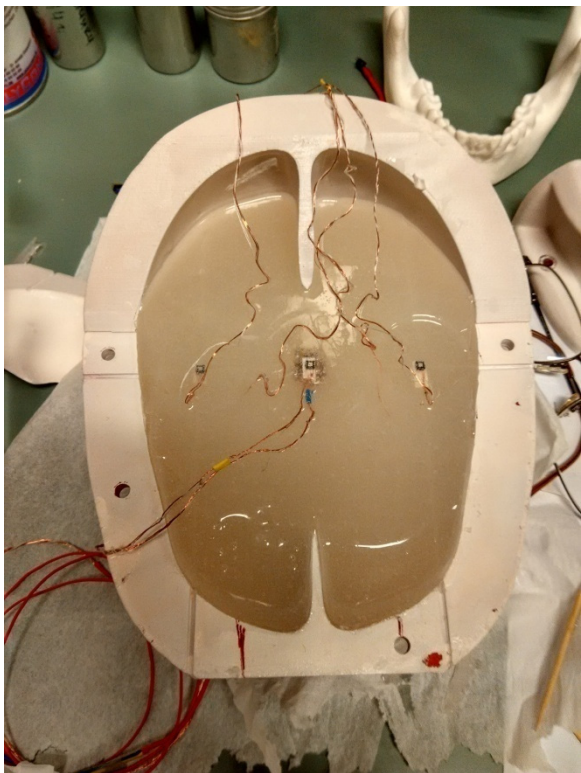
Skull is additively manufactured in ABS



Giovanni Carraro, Padova University- Master Project at Sports Tech

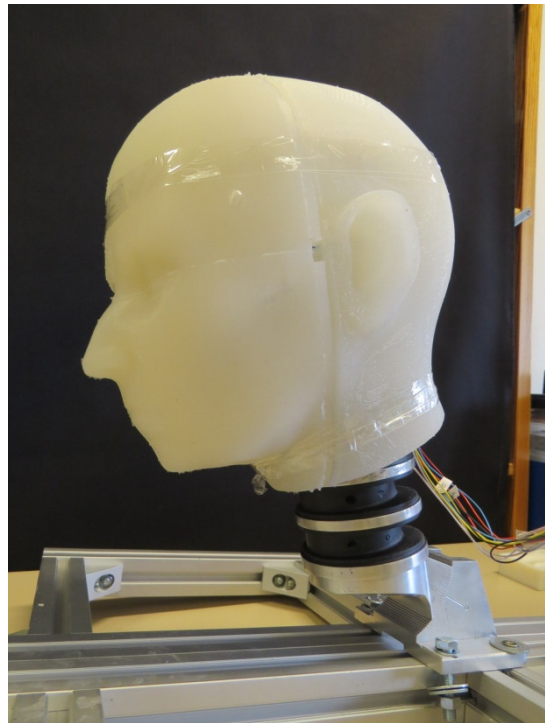
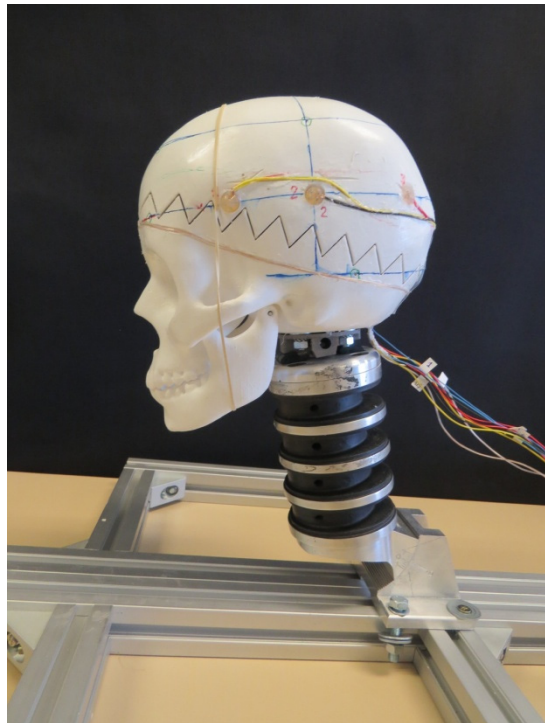
PIXEL-TO-PROTOTYPE ROUTE

Making molds for the “brain” (ABS); casting it in silicone rubber, embedding sensors one by one



PIXEL-TO-PROTOTYPE ROUTE

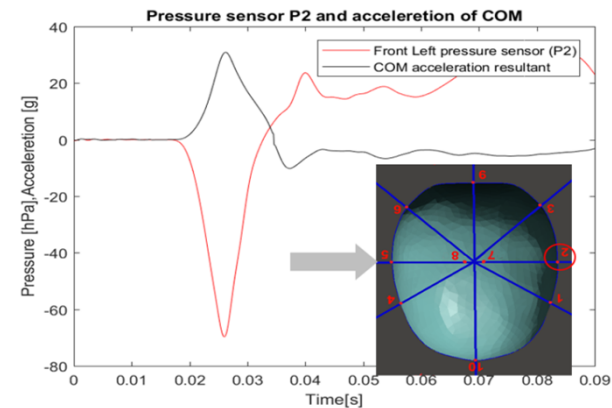
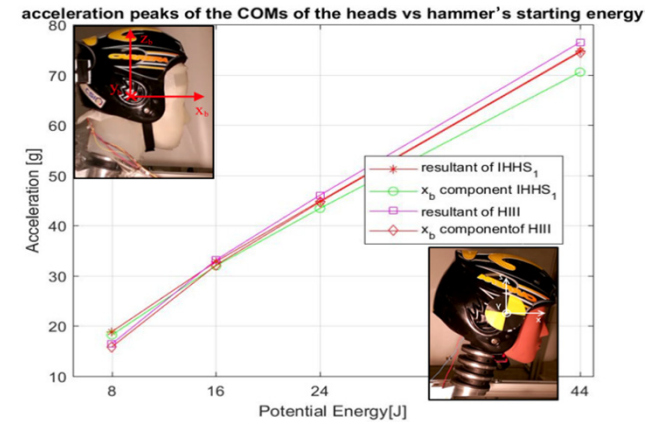
Designing and making molds for the skin (ABS); casting it in silicone rubber, embedding pressure sensors into the skull, assembling, filling with oil



Stefano Dal Castello, Padova University- Master Project at Sports Tech

PIXEL-TO-PROTOTYPE ROUTE

Designing and constructing impact rig, performing tests

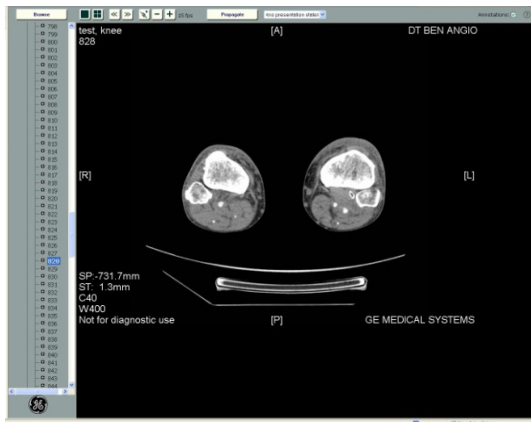


"A novel Instrumented Human Head Surrogate for the impact evaluation of helmets"
To be presented at ISEA-2018, Brisbane, Australia

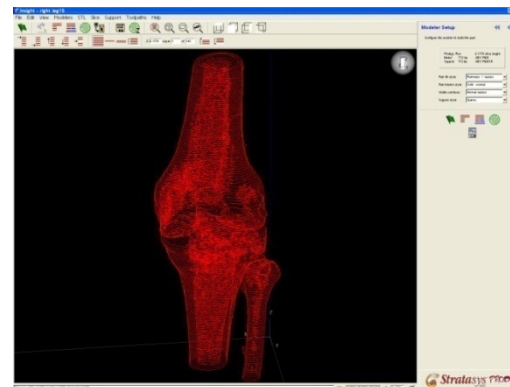
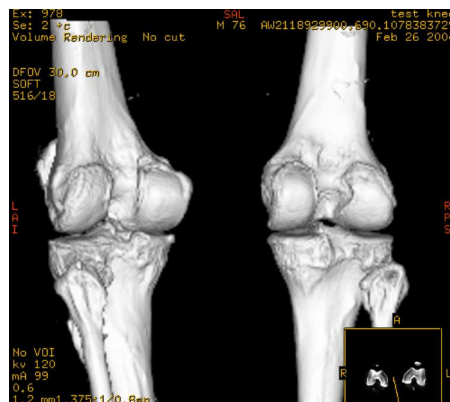
Luca Broggio, Padova University- Master Project at Sports Tech

AM FOR INJURY TREATMENT

AM is "an extension of VR world": pixel-to-implant



Polymer: Pre-op models



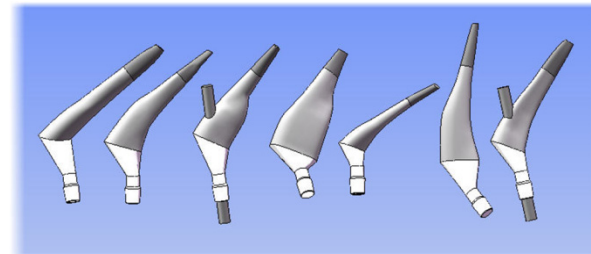
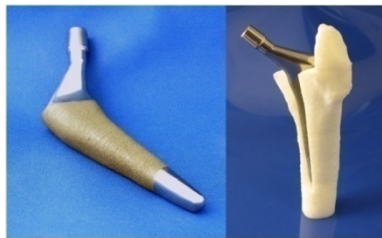
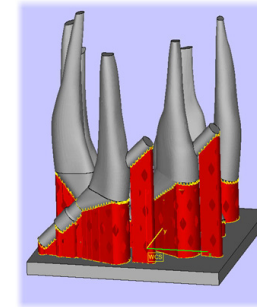
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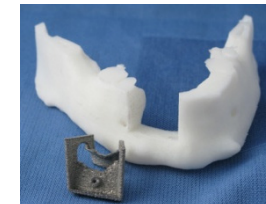
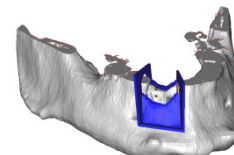
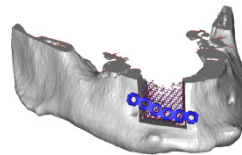
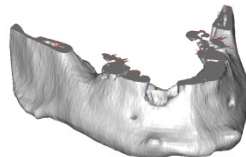
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*AM is very good for making implants
in metal:*

- Formally approved alloys like Ti6Al4V, CoCr;
- Patient specific implants;
- Conformal fixation plates;
- Integrated porous structures
- Cost competitive with other manufacturing methods
 - "Complexity comes for free!"



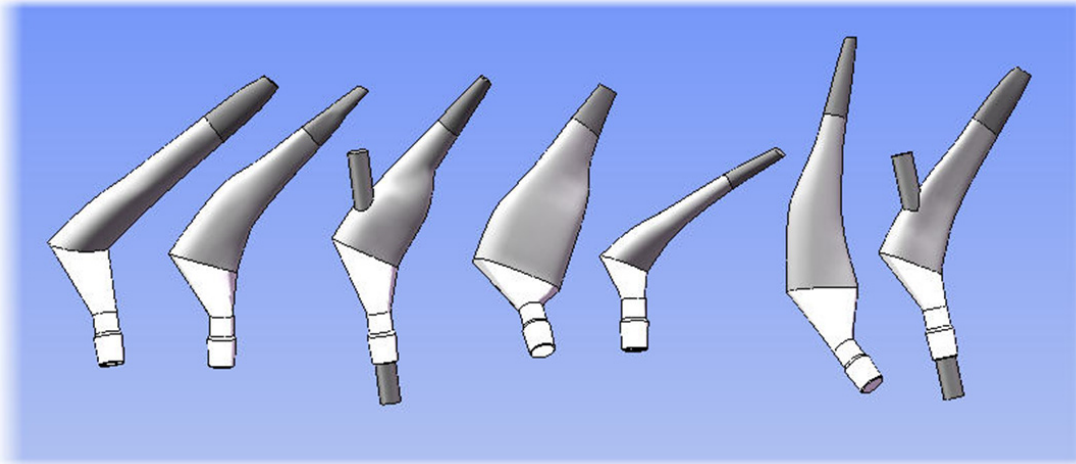
○ Special tools for surgery



Surrogate operation

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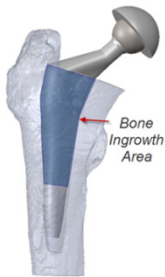
Individualized hip implants: cost comparison



EBM-results
in % of the cost of
conventional
manufacturing

- Material: 15%
- File preparation: 8%
- Manufacturing: 130%

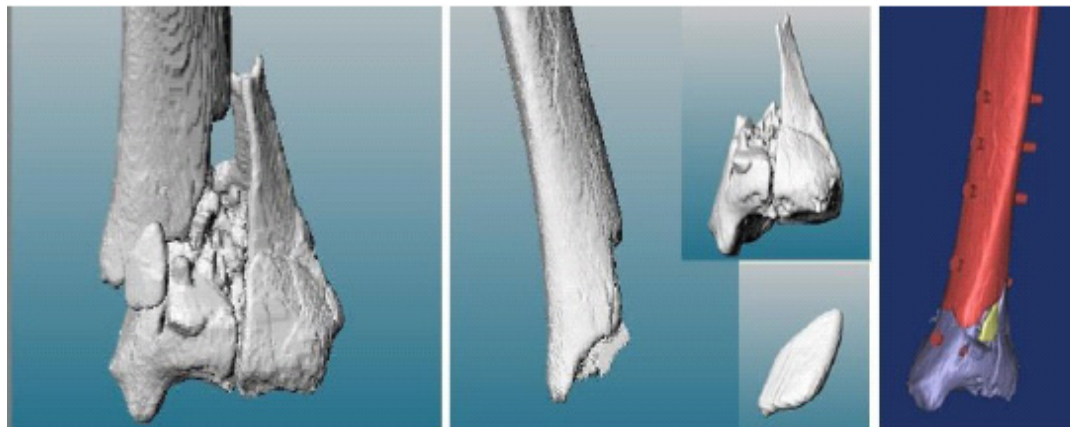
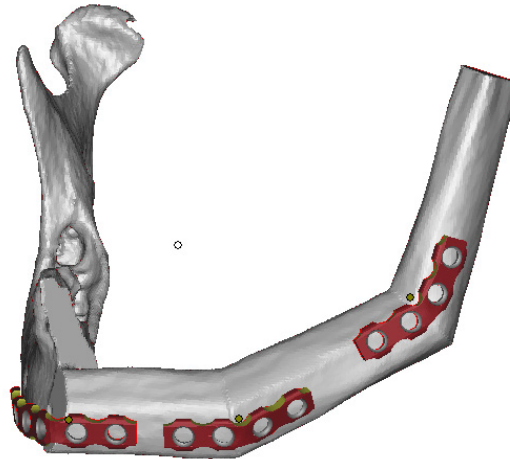
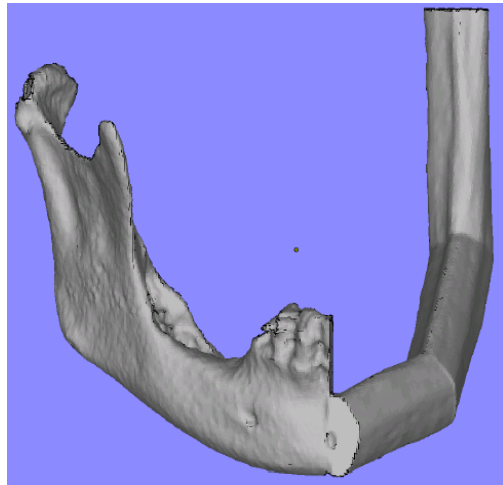
Total: 65%



These are just COSTS, we are not ot considering the shorter operation time and better prospects for patient

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Reconstructive surgery

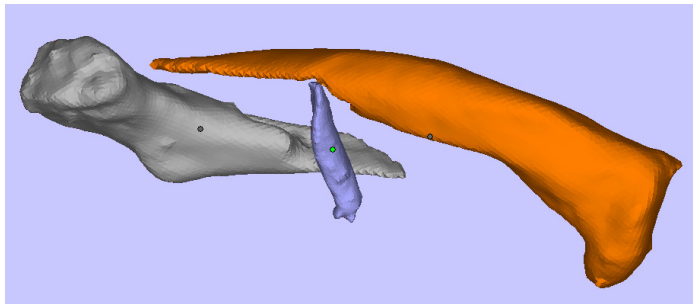


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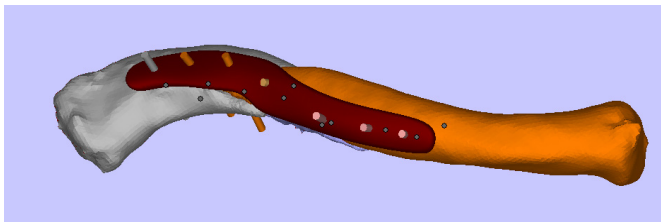
From individualized shape to functionalization: clavicle

Broken collar bone case: fixation plate shape design

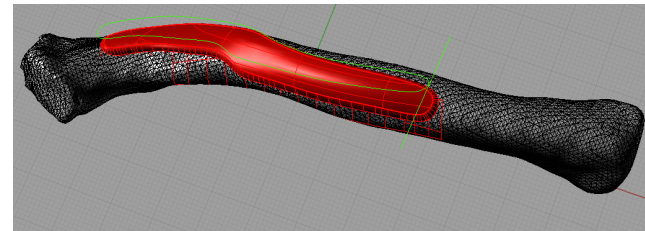
CAD file - from CT scan



Design for best screw
hole placement



Fixation plate over
mended bones



Fixation plate is optimized for the
ligament positions;

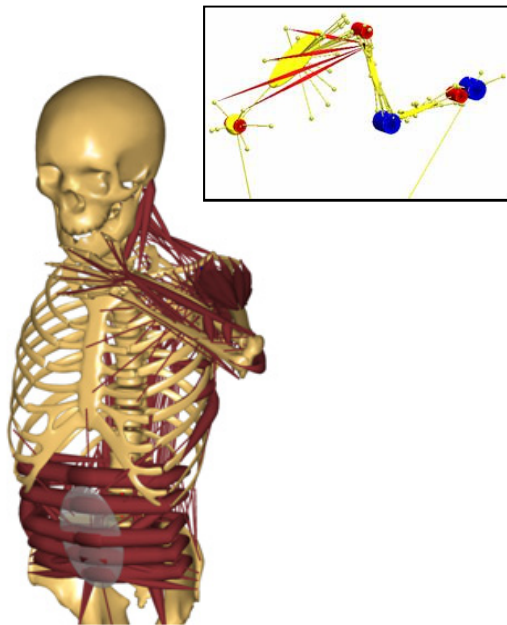
Screw hole position is optimized



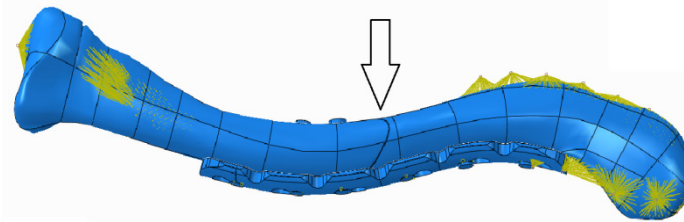
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Functional fixation plate design optimization

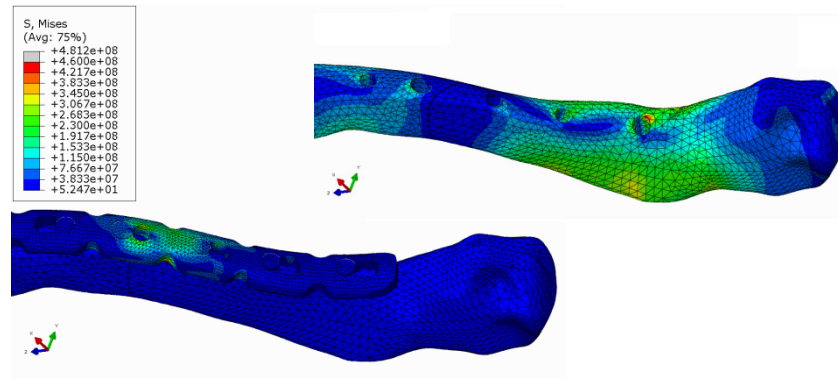
Musculoskeletal
simulation



<http://www.anybodytech.com/>



Model incorporating ligament positions and
applied forces

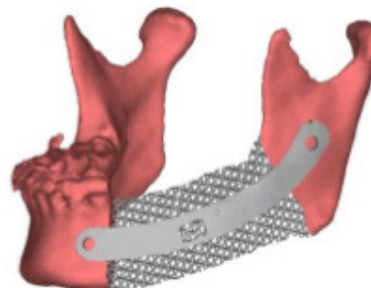
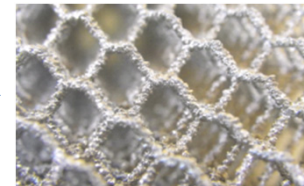
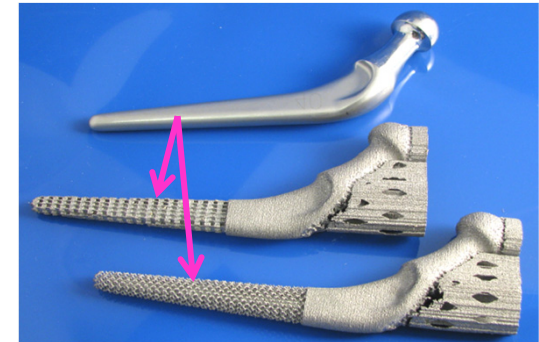


Simulation of the stress in the fixation plate
and mended bone

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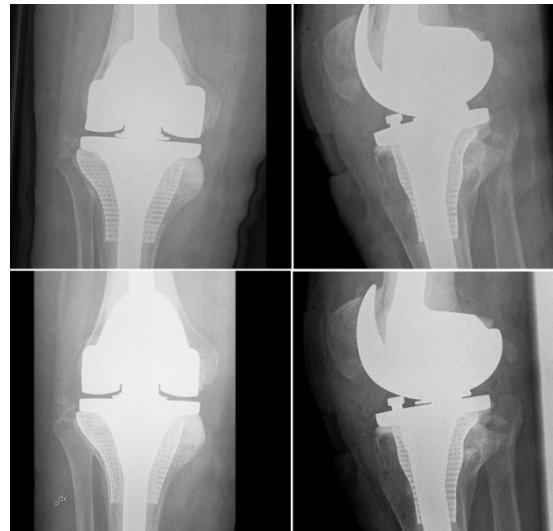
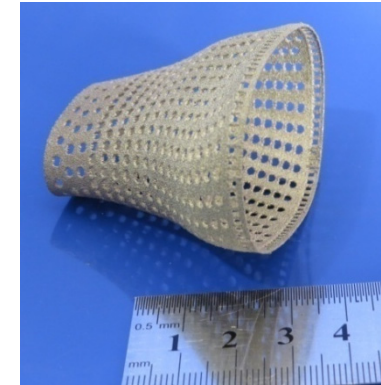
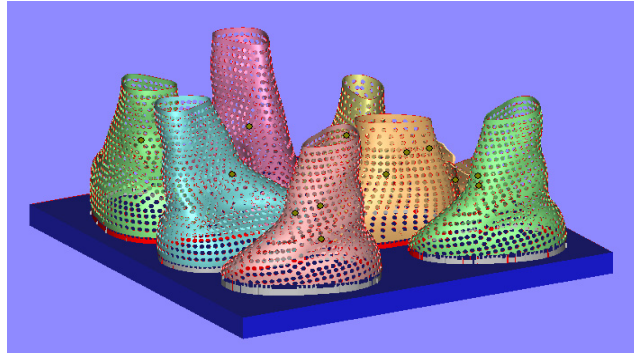
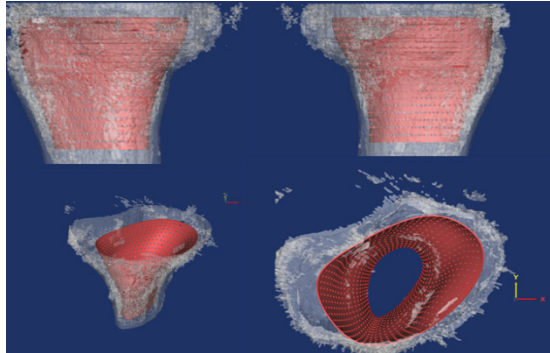
Metal lattices

3D lattices (mesh, net structures) in biomedical implants are designed to replace natural spongy bone structure



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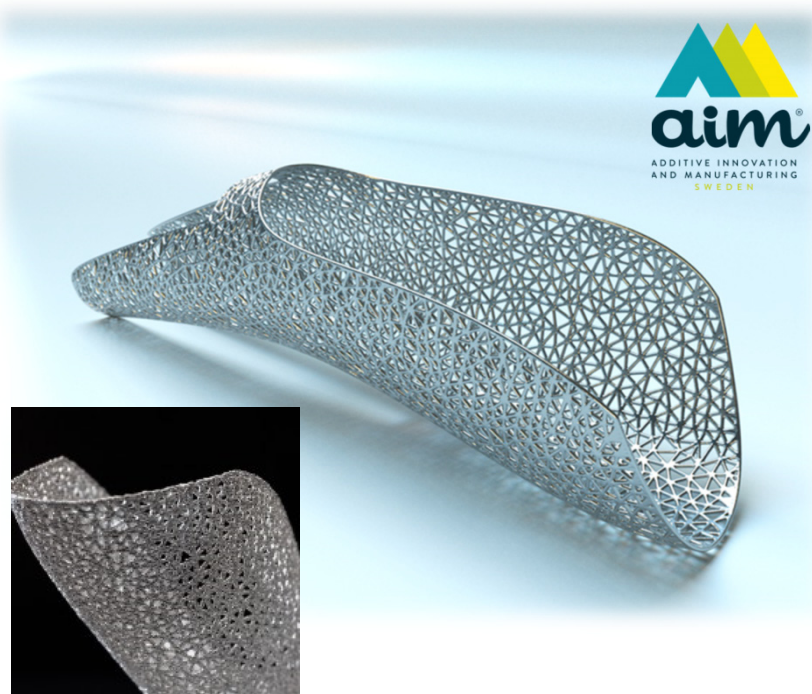
Lightweight metal reinforcement cages



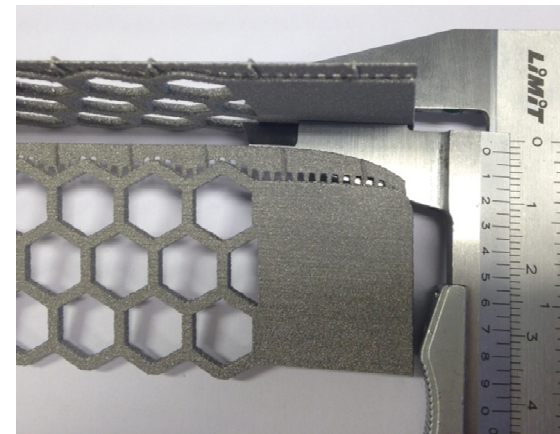
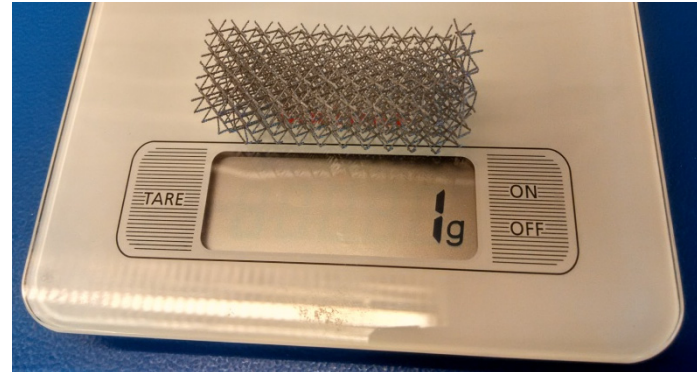
Results 15 weeks (left) and 52 weeks (right) after operation

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Lightweight metal reinforcement structures

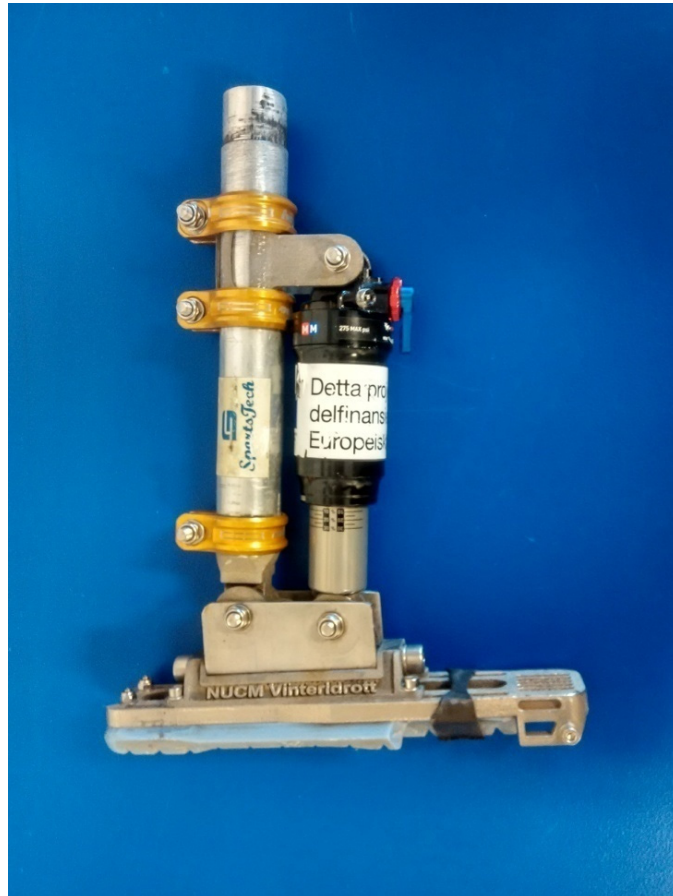


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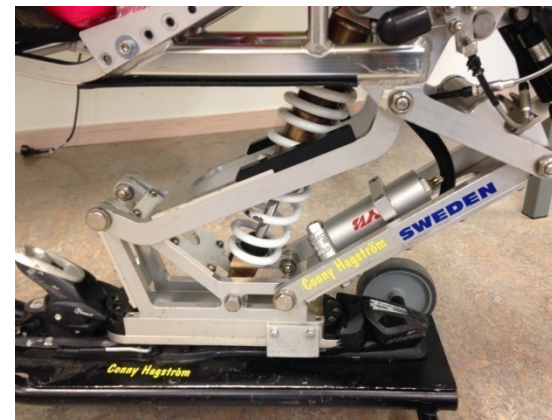


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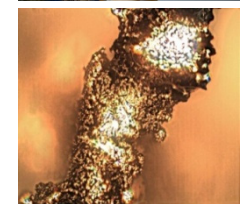
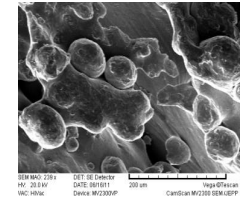
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Advanced prosthesis for cross-country skier

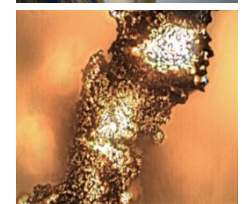
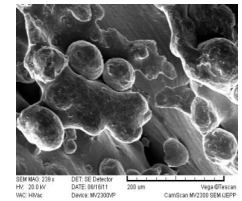
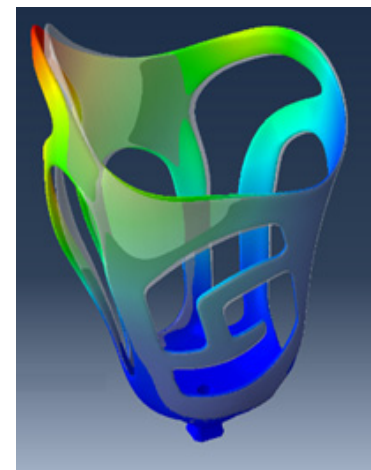
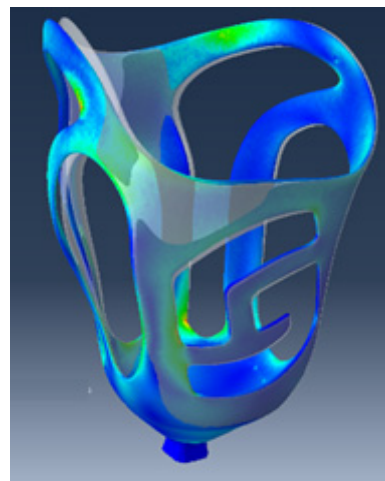


Alpine sitski elements



PROSTHETIC SOCKET IN TI64

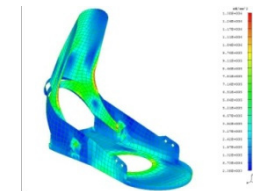
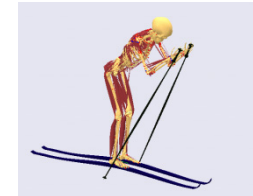
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LITTLE SUMMARY

AM or 3Dp can be quite useful in many sports-
and health-related applications
I was able to show only some examples

- It is a new technology and is not a 'push-button' one yet
- It is rather "green" technology
- It has good value for money in the products, when used properly
- It provides very wide possibilities, "sky is your limit":
 - freedom of shapes
 - wide material choice, new materials are becoming available
- But to use it successfully one needs to know how to deal with it:
 - what are its limits
 - which applications would benefit most from using it
 - how one should design things for AM



FUTURE TRENDS

Everybody having a desktop 3d-printers for everything?

NO

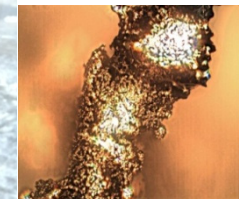
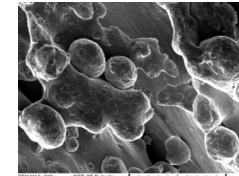
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- High-end professional equipment used by highly qualified specialists:
better economy, better quality control, higher efficiency, better recycling
- Advanced networking and 'distributed' manufacturing:
'one-stop-shop for ordering, design and manufacturing are done in other locations
- Growing awareness of professionals
e.g. changes in design paradigm etc.
- New advanced materials specifically designed for AM
- Components with anisotropic spatial properties; composite materials



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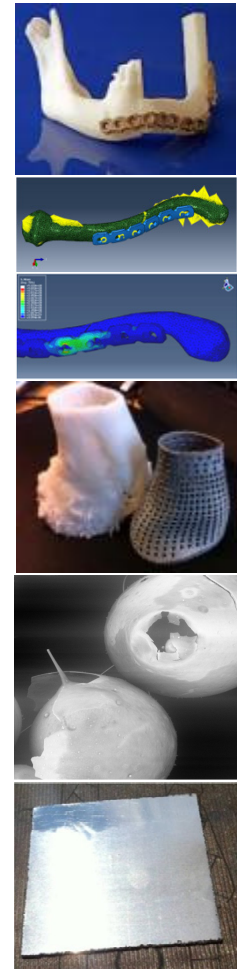
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KEY TO FUTURE SUCCESS

- Wide cooperation of all parties involved:
 - Industry- Companies and R&D Institutions;
 - Academia- Research organizations;
 - Education- Universities, Schools;
- Cooperation at national and international levels: state programs, EU programs, international funds
- Active education in AM:
 - Increasing general knowledge on AM;
 - Teaching 'new design paradigm';
 - Hands-on approach- using AM machines in teaching
- Using AM where it provides largest benefits

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Thank you for your kind attention!
Questions?