

3D Printed Patient Specific Medical Devices: There is a Paradigm, but is there a Path?

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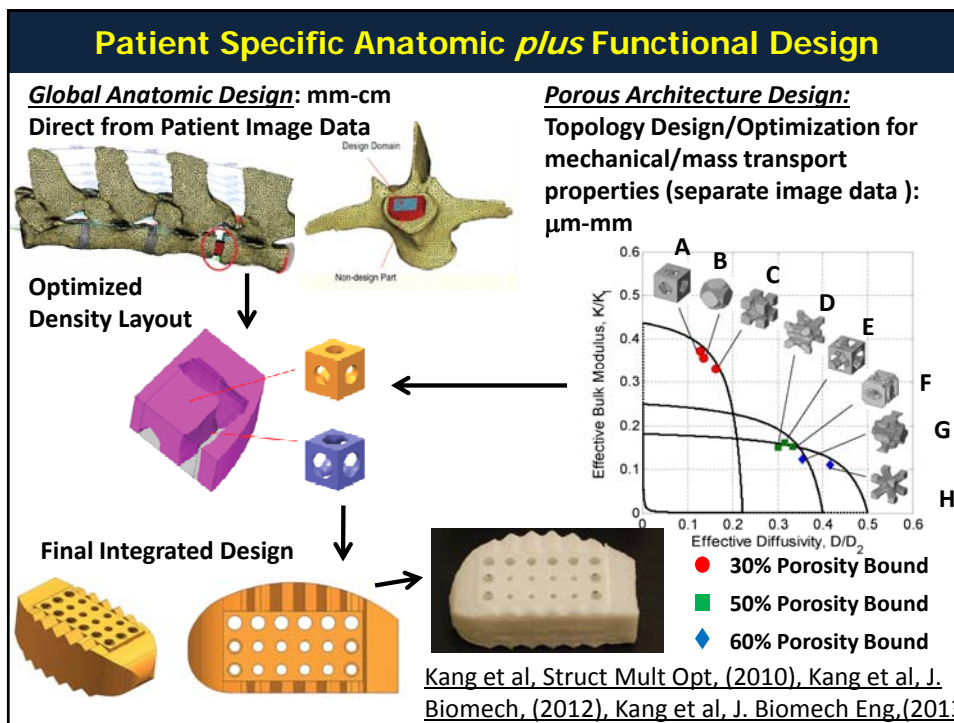
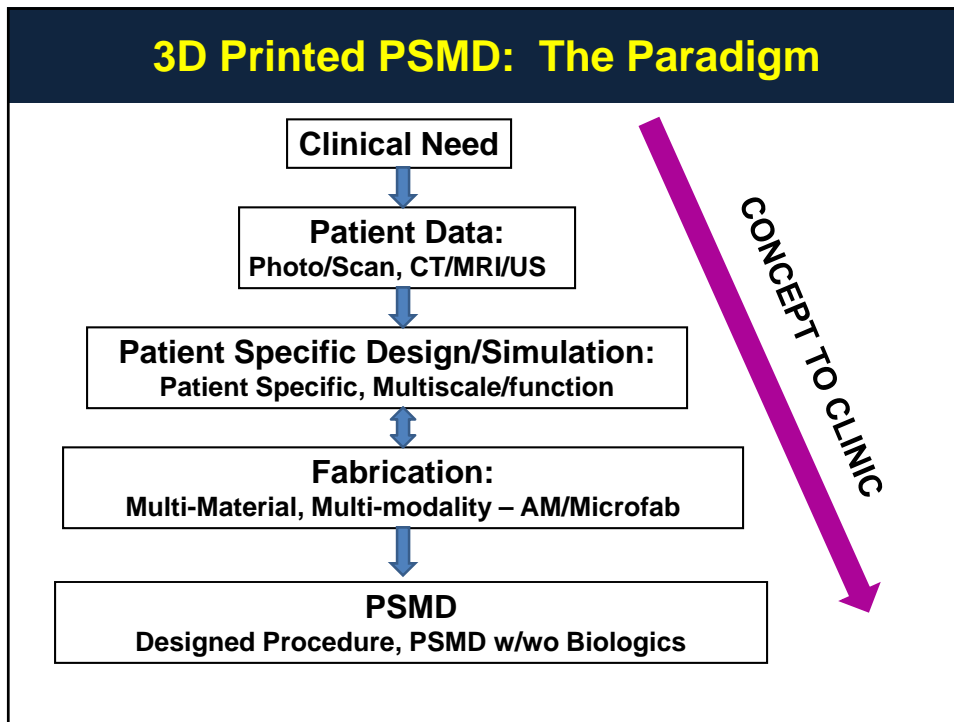
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Outline

- **The Paradigm of 3D Printed Patient Specific Medical Devices (PSMD):**
 - Patient Specific Design & Simulation**
 - 3D Biomaterial Printing**
- **3D Printed PSMD: Examples of the Paradigm**
 - 3D Printed Tracheobronchal Splint**
 - 3D Printed Platforms for Regenerative Medicine**
- **3D Printed PSMD: Is there a Path?**

Note: this talk will focus primarily on clinical translation of pediatric devices

The Paradigm of 3D Printed Patient Specific Medical Devices (PSMD)



Laser Sintering of Implants/Scaffolds

- PCL tracheal splint fabricated by laser sintering

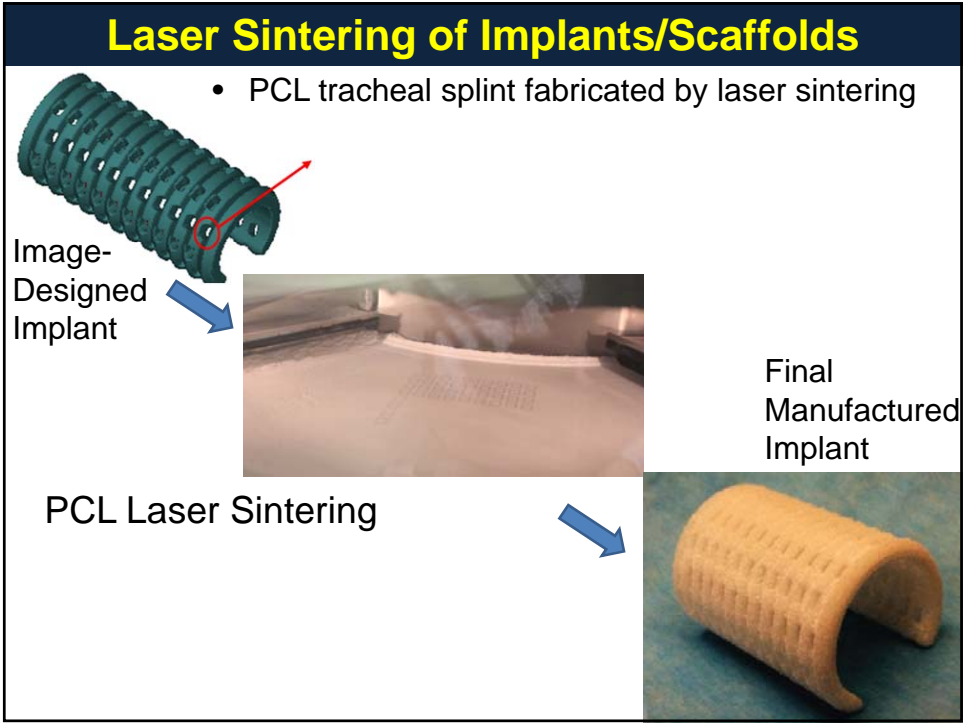


Image-Designed Implant

PCL Laser Sintering

Final Manufactured Implant

PCL Implants/Devices by Laser Sintering



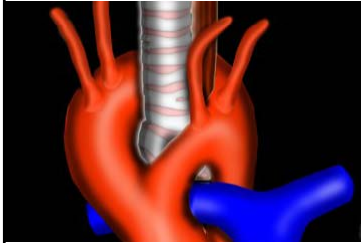
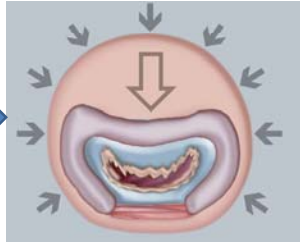
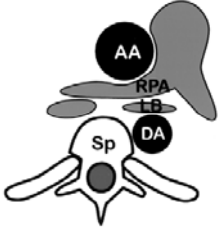
Technical issues for 3D Printing PSMD

- Design for 3D Printing: Anatomic geometry, porous structures, design for printing feature size; broader characterization of nonlinear, viscoelastic tissue properties as design targets for FDA design control
- Pediatric Specific Design: Account for Growth through design & bioresorption -> need to characterize and model tissue growth
- *Multiple, Tissue-like materials: a *range* of printable materials that mimic tissue properties and are biocompatible
- Processing biomaterial into appropriate form for machine (i.e. filament, viscosity, powder size, photopolymerizable)
- Post-processing surface finish, support removal, combine with microfab (like electrospinning) functionalization
- Quality control: geometry, mechanical properties, fatigue/durability

3D Printed PSMD: Examples of the Paradigm

Tracheobronchomalacia (TBM) in Humans

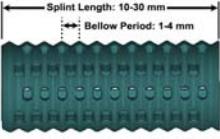
- Compression of airway, typically by malformed vascular structures
- Complete collapse on expiration
- Currently treated by tracheostomy/ventilators 1-2 years
- Significant complications, including death
- Stents have failed in children; Implanted splints external to airway found to give better results, but “Jury Rigged” in the OR
- Need for patient specific implants due to different defect geometry (length, diameter, number)

1st Patient Etiology

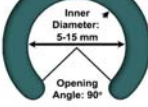
Patient Specific Image-Based Design for Splint

Splint Length: 10-30 mm
Bellow Period: 1-4 mm




Superior View

Maximum Wall Thickness: 2-3 mm
Inner Diameter: 5-15 mm
Opening Angle: 90°

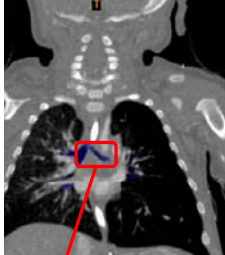


On-End View

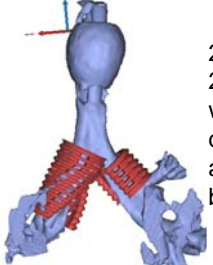
Periodically Placed Suture Holes
Pore Length: 1-2 mm
Pore Height: 1 mm
Space Between Pores: 2-3 mm



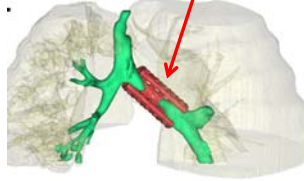
Superolateral Oblique View



- MATLAB program to generate design w suture holes



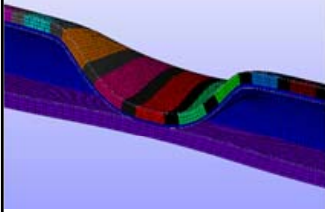
2nd Patient
2 splints, one with spiral design to accommodate both splints



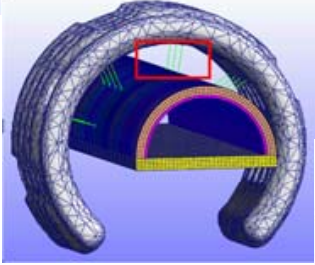
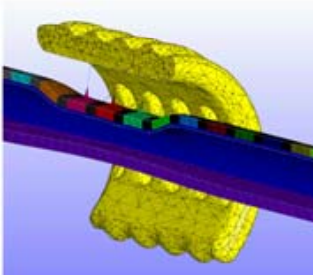
- Input parameters MIMICS Digital Model
- Fit splint to patient model in MIMICS
- Perform finite element analysis: compression, bending, opening (growth)

Simulating TBM Collapse & Rescue by Splint

Nonlinear Model of Airway Collapse
(hyperelastic tissues & lumen collapse contact)



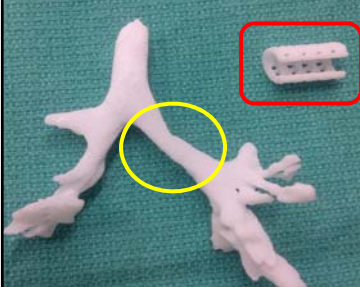
Model of surgical intervention including splint
(meshed from same STL used for AM) & sutures

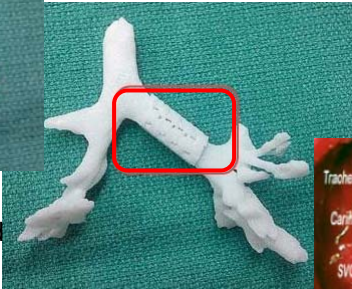
- Simulation showing splint creating patent airway
- Model used to simulate patient outcome from exact device manufactured by AM

Patient Specific Planning & Implantation for Splint

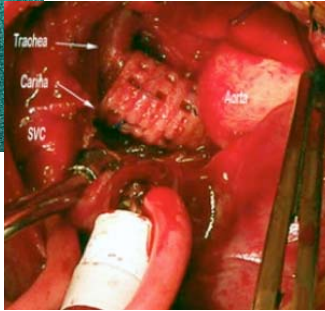
Model Showing Collapse (Yellow); Splint (Red)



Splint Fit on Printed Airway (Red)



Splint Implanted in Patient



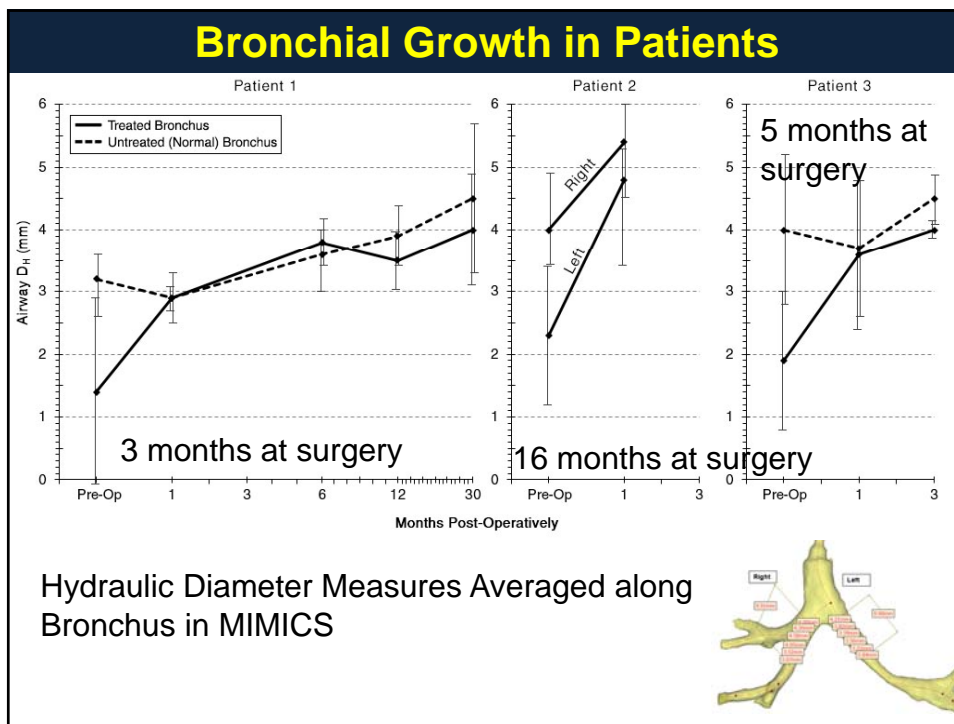
- Printed Patient Trachea model for Implant Sizing
- Splint Fitted to Model in OR before Implantation
- Example of Surgical Planning combined with Patient Specific Implant

Design & Implantation of Patient Specific Splints

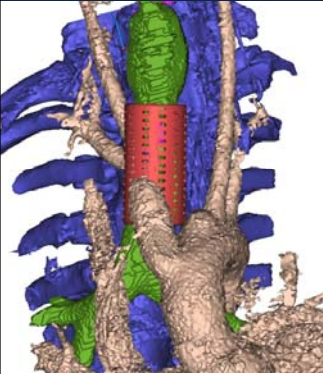
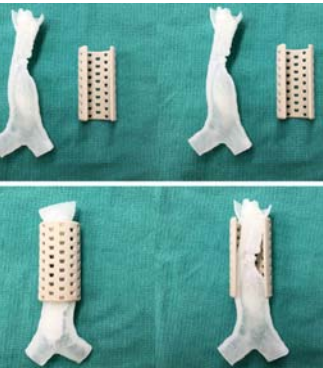
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		<p>Patient 2: Bilateral Bronchi; IRB Approval, Emergency through FDA 15 months post-surgery</p>
		<p>Patient 3: Left Bronchus; IRB Approval, Emergency through FDA 13 months post-surgery</p>

Pre-Op and Post-OP Patency

<p>Pre-Op</p>	<p>Post-Op</p>	<p>Patient 1: Left Bronchus; Exhalation Scans</p>
<p>Pre-Op</p>	<p>Post-Op</p>	<p>Patient 2: Bilateral Bronchi; Exhalation Scans</p>
<p>Pre-Op</p>	<p>Post-Op</p>	<p>Patient 3: Bronchoscopy</p>

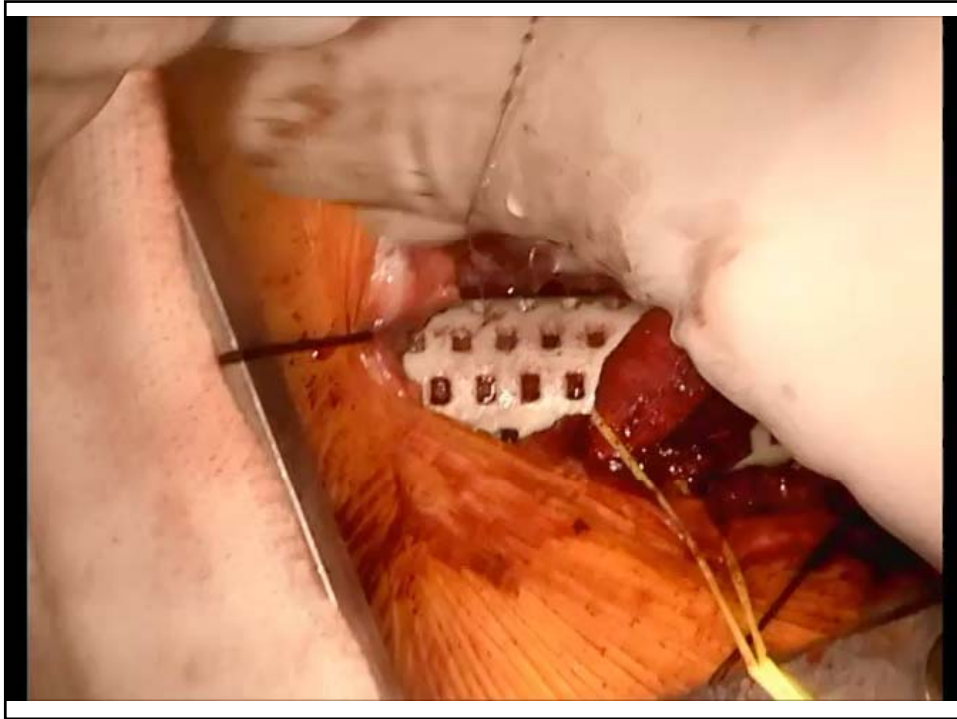


Permanent PEKK Splint for Teenager

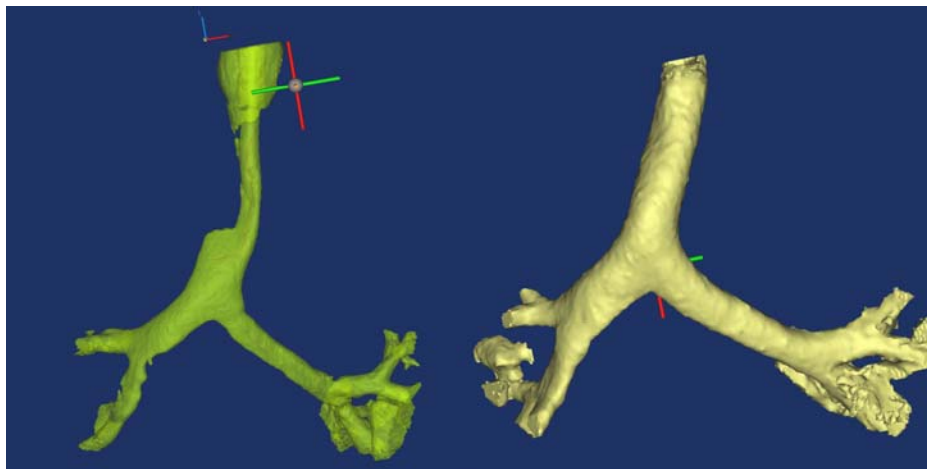



- 14-year old TM
- Need permanent splint
- Design from Image
- Work with OPM who printed PEKK

Outcome	Pre-Op	Post-Op (2 months)	P Value
Hydraulic Diameter	9.0 ±1.4 mm	12.1 ±1.0 mm	<0.0001
Area	82.0 ±26.1mm²	134.3 ±17.1mm²	<0.0001



3D Airway Reconstruction Pre/Post Surgery

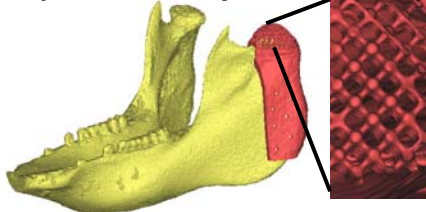


Scaffolds as Modular Platform Systems

Scaffolds as modular platform systems: adaptable to different clinical scenarios, with sliding scale of complexity (Hollister/Murphy, Tissue Eng.C, 2011)

Topology Design + AM
Controlled architectures enable rigorous tests of design hypotheses

Function + Formation (Mass Transport; mm-cm)

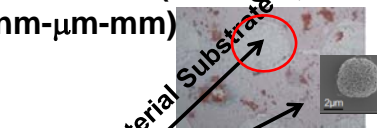


Interface Layers for Biologic Delivery

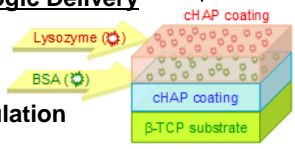
- CaP Nanoscale coating
- Electrostatic Binding
- Chemical Conjugation
- Layer-by-Layer Encapsulation

Post-Fab Fluid Based Functionalization

Formation (Biologic; nm-μm-mm)



Pore Hydrogel/ Microsphere: Cell/Protein/Gene Encapsulation – Diffusion/ Degradation Release




Lysozyme (L) → BSA (B) → cHAP coating → cHAP coating → β-TCP substrate


μsphere/ Layer cartoon
Courtesy Bill Murphy

Modular Fabrication & Post-Fab Functionalization

Fabrication: AM
Modular & Patient Specific

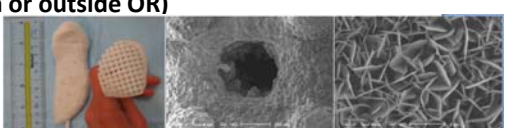


In OR modular scaffold

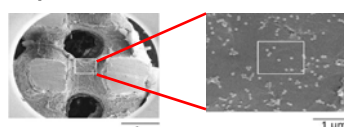


Patient Specific PCL Scaffold


Post-Fab Functionalization: Fluid & Gas Approaches (in or outside OR)



Nanoscale resorbable CaP coating on large scale scaffolds – protein/cell delivery (Bill Murphy; Biomaterials (2012); Scientific Reports (2013)) – SBF fluid process



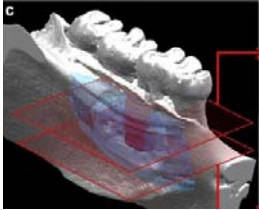
Direct attachment of viral vectors to PCL scaffolds – CVD Gas process Joerg LaHann, Paul Krebsbach Biomaterials (2009)



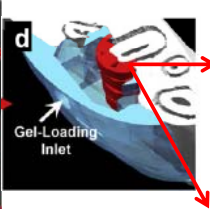
IntraOR: Cell Loading (left), BMP2 Loading (right)

Designed Oriented Pores Enhance PDL formation

- Designed scaffold compartments for bone (BMP7) and PDL (hPDL cells)
- Designed oriented PDL interface pores vs random PDL interface pores
- More oriented ligament structure oriented pores ([Park et al, Biomaterials, 2012](#))

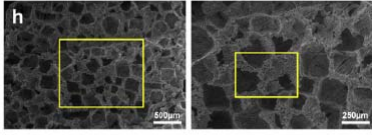


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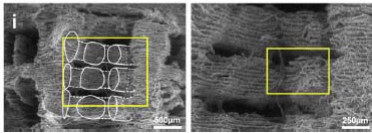
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Random-Porous

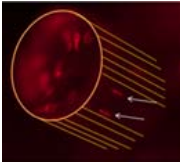


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Fiber-Guiding

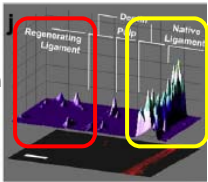


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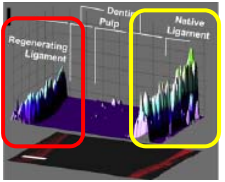


PDL (Ligament) Orientation Results 6 weeks

Next Step: MicroFab interfaces to further align PDL cells

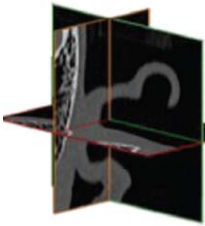


Random (red)
Native: (yellow)




Oriented (red)
Native: (yellow)

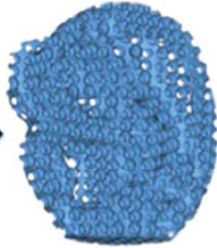
Auricular 3D Patient Specific 3D Printed Scaffolds




CT Scan




External Anatomy Design




Final Scaffold Design



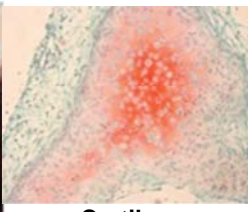
3D Printed PCL Scaffolds



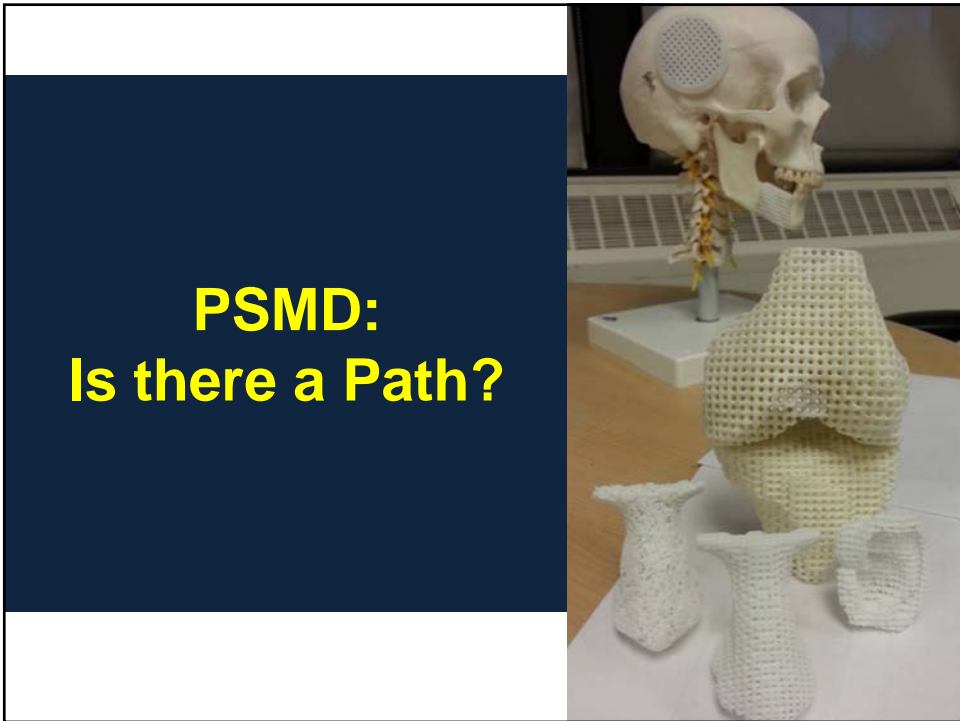
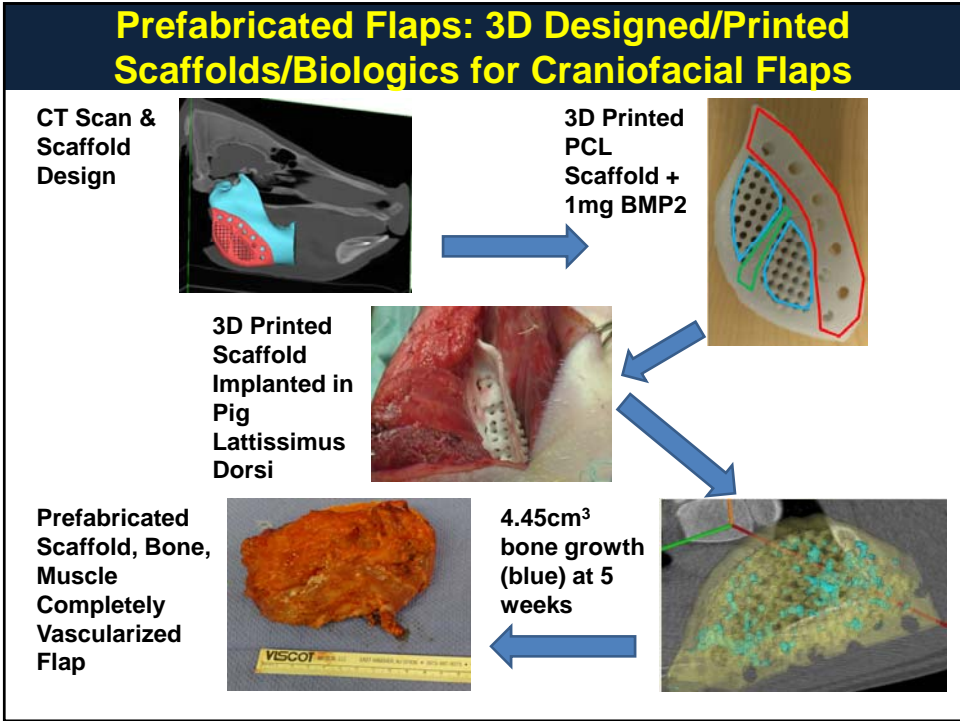
Scaffolds seeded with 30 million chondrocytes



Scaffold Implanted Under Skin in Pig



Cartilage Regenerated

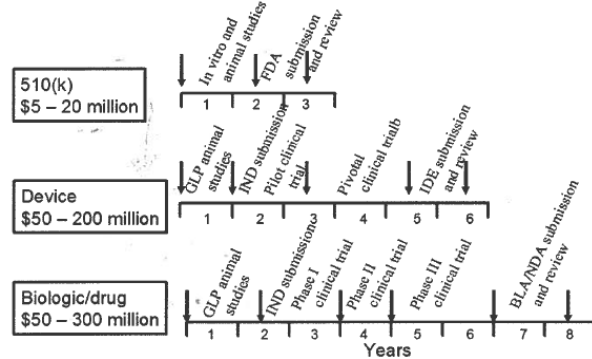


PSMD in Pediatrics: the Promise of a Path

- Pediatric conditions are not commonplace:
TBM: 1 in 2200 births, 1500 cases per year in the US
Esophageal Atresia: 1 in 3000 births, ~800-1000 cases/year in US
- Pediatric conditions require PSMD for:
 - wide variations in anatomy
 - design for growth
 - simulate patient function,
 - 3D print a range of bioresorbable materials
- 3D Printing allows rapid development and manufacturing of low volume, high customizable, and highly complex devices – perfect for pediatrics

Pediatric PSMD: Facing Regulatory Hurdles

- It takes 3-10 years, and \$3-300 million to achieve regulatory approval



- Tracheal Splint Pre-Clinical:
ISO 10993: ~\$600K, 2 years
Long Term Fatigue/Degradation: ~\$2-3 million, ~ 3 years
GLP Large Animal Study: ~\$600K
- Tracheal Splint Clinical (Feasibility/HDE):
~ 3-4 years, ~ \$5 million

PSMD: View from Academics, a difficult Path

- Pursuing complete clinical translation of PSMD is difficult from an academic environment due to costs and reward structures
- Typical path is to develop technology and license to company – Pediatric colleague noted he “begged” companies to develop device
- Institutions (at least UM) have been reticent to support GMP facilities for 3D printing PSMD
- Funding opportunities are not geared towards to support work associated with regulatory approval of PSMD
 - NIH study sections criticize lack of basic hypothesis driven proposal in PSMD
 - “Translational” funding like Coulter programs don’t fund low market but often high risk devices; TBM Coulter proposal denied at UM due to “low impact” market
- Publishing favors new discovery/technology; not biocompatibility or fatigue studies of PSMD needed for translation

Conclusion: PSMD

- PSMD can effectively develop treatments for low volume pediatric cases – improving childrens lives
- We have used PSMD to treat 5 patients with life threatening TBM, 5 patients with custom CPAP – expanding to microtia, ASD, EA
- PSMD with expanded range of biomaterial printing could address more pediatric conditions: the paradigm
- Companies (understandably) find it difficult to pursue low volume, custom pediatric markets
- Academics/Research institutions do not provide a highly conducive environment to pursue clinical translation of PSMD – difficult to fund; institutional support for GMP; rewards not geared to work filling regulatory needs
- Paradigm for PSMD is there, need to find the path