

# La reconstruction d'organes par Impression 3D

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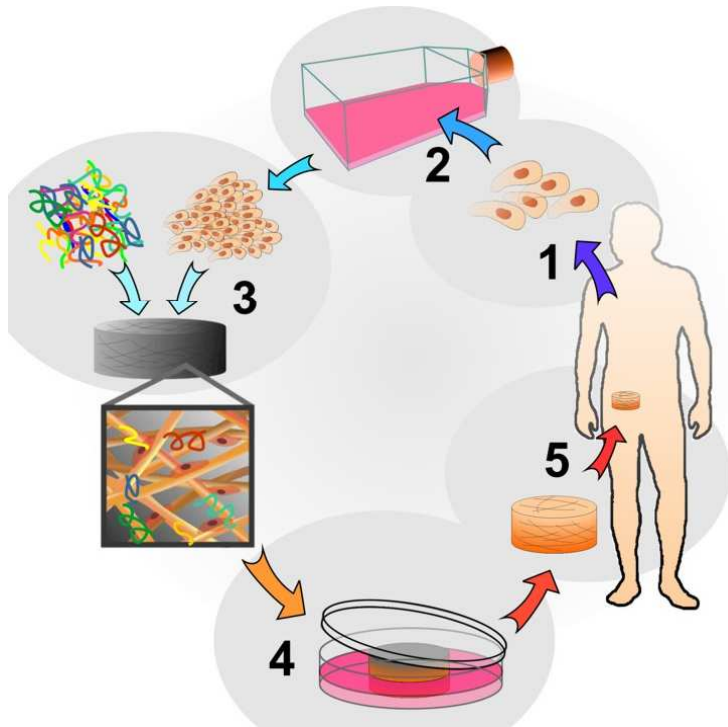
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# Context: Tissue Engineering



*C Blitterswijk, Book Tissue Engineering (2008)*

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Tissue Engineering needs  
process engineering”  
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D. Williams, Nature Biotechnology (2005)

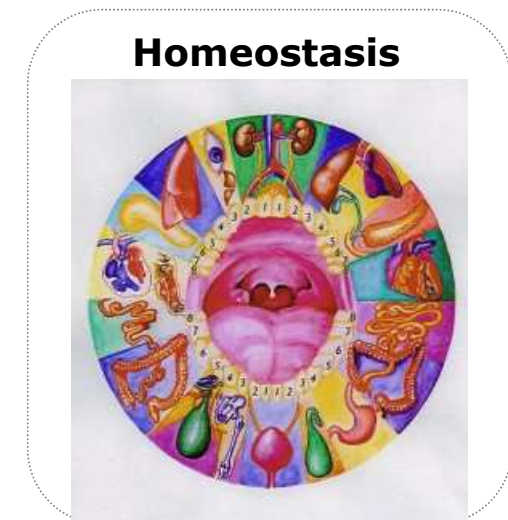
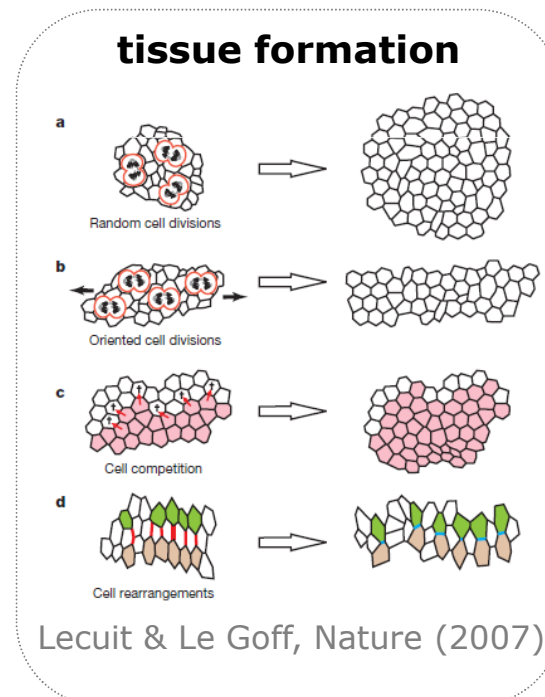
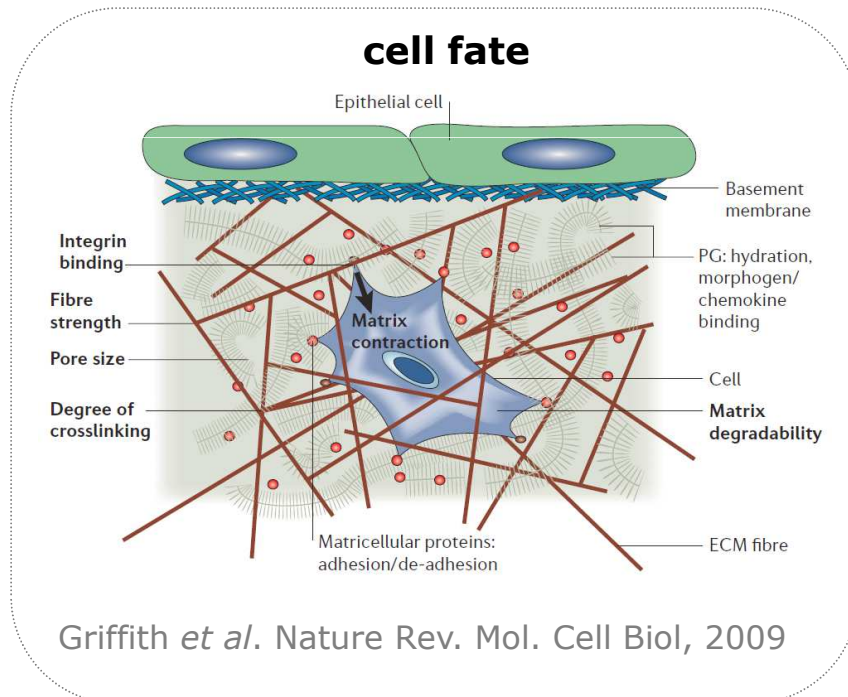


## Challenges:

- Tissue Complexity
- Vascularization
- Cost-effectiveness
- Customization
- Safety
- Regulation

# Tissue Complexity

Dynamic interactions between: (stem)-cells, morphogens and extracellular matrix



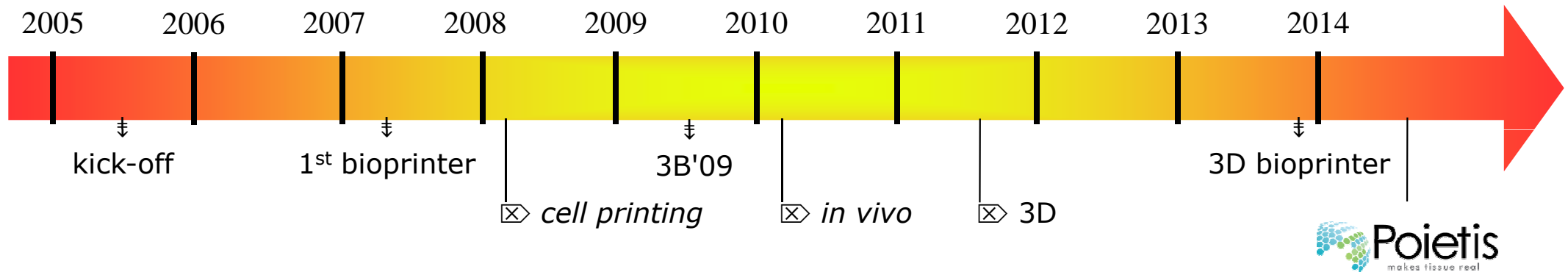
- At cell level:
- nanotopography
  - stiffness
  - ligand density
  - growth factors
  - cell neighbors
  - ...

gradients, patterns

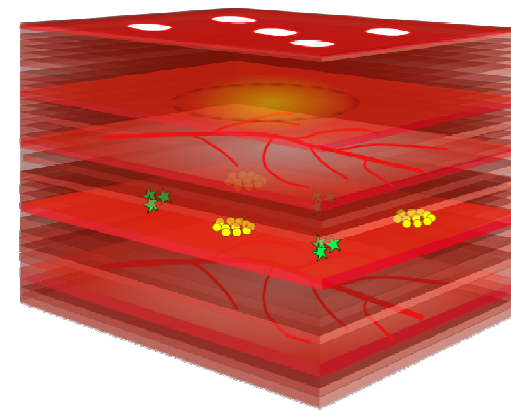
At tissue level:

- cell migration
- collective behavior
- cell sorting
- ...

# Our approach: dealing with tissue complexity using Bioprinting



- controlling 3D distribution of cells and cues using Laser-Assisted Bioprinting
- driving tissue self-organization (4<sup>th</sup> D) to produce functional tissues

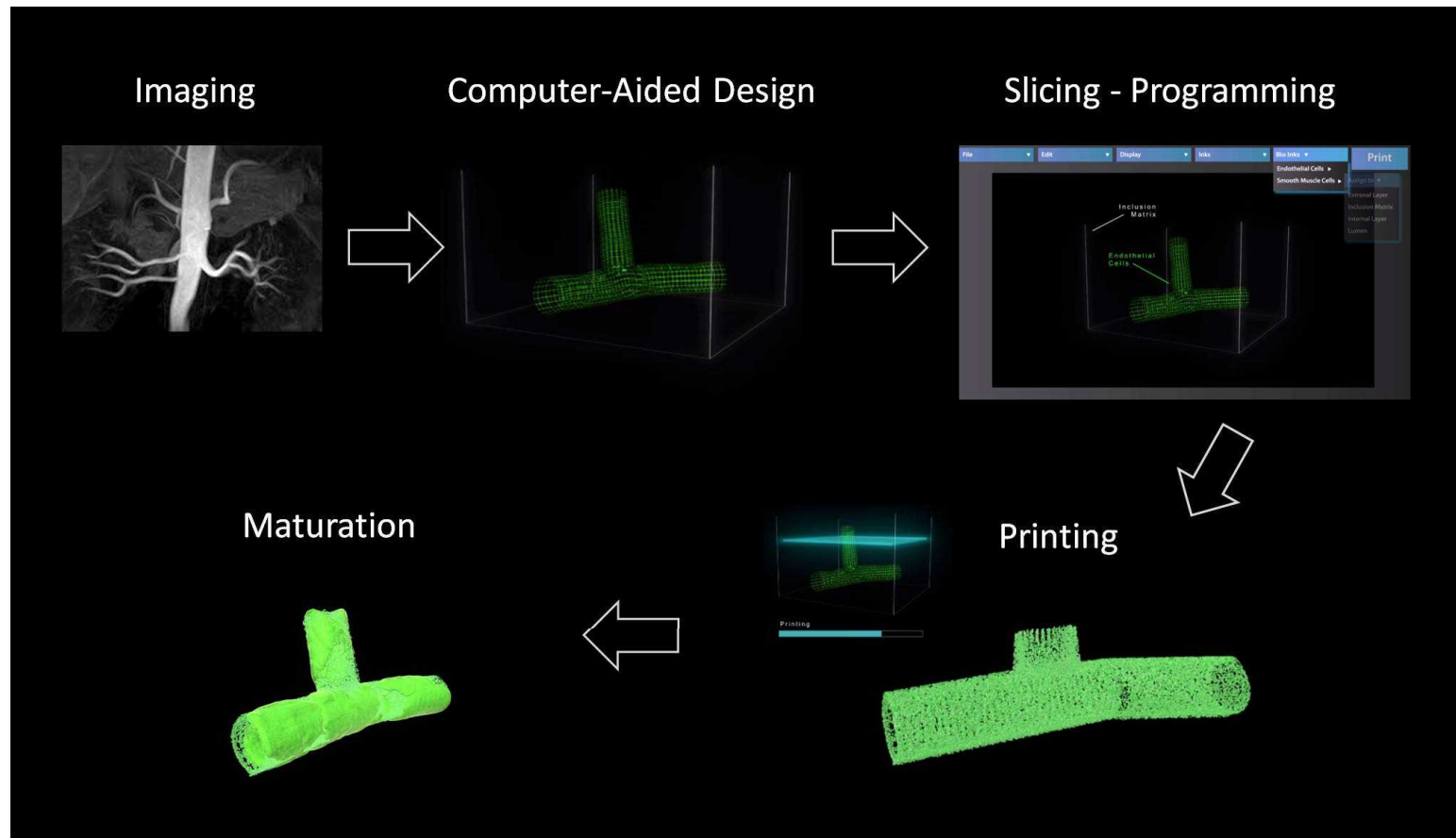


B. Guillotin & F. Guillemot, Trends in Biotechnology (2011)

# 3D Printing + Biology = Bioprinting

“Transformational technology”

Gartner Institute, 2012



Duality digital - biology → Robotized fabrication of complex, personalized tissues

# Bioprinting: an old story

*Experimental Cell Research 179 (1988) 362–373*

## **Cytoscribing:** A Method for Micropositioning Cells and the Construction of Two- and Three-Dimensional Synthetic Tissues

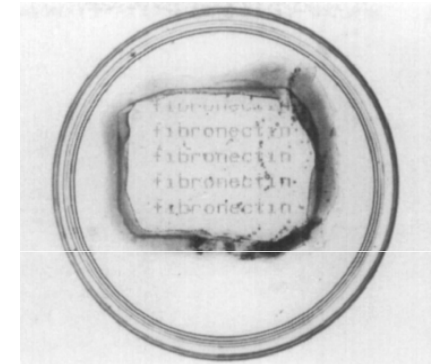
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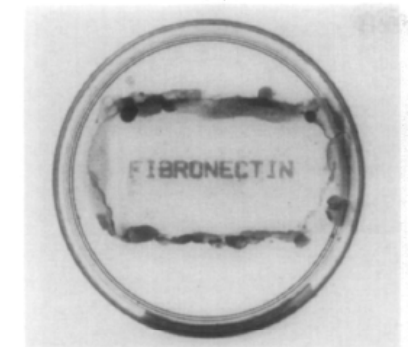
In the present study, a technique, termed cytoscribing, is described which enables one to establish precise spatial interrelationships between cells. In essence, cytoscribing involves the use of a computer for the high-precision positioning of cells. It is demonstrated that either an ink jet printer or a graphics

*Deposition of fibronectin on substrata.* Cytoscribing was carried out with either a Hewlett Packard 2225C Think Jet ink jet printer or a Hewlett Packard 7470A graphics plotter. In this study, the word “fibronectin” was cytoscribed in fibronectin (a) by using the word processing package, Displaywrite 3, in conjunction with the ink jet printer or (b) by using a plotter controlled by a simple BASIC program.

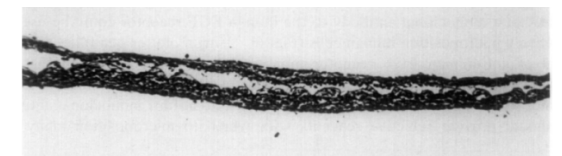
With the aid of the methods described here, a three-dimensional tissue form could be constructed by stacking two-dimensional tissues in layers. Thus, cytoscribing provides a facile means of establishing precise spatial arrangements within large populations of cells and, thereby, permits new approaches to be made toward understanding the mechanisms involved in morphogenesis. Development of the technology described here should aid in the production of artificial tissues [8, 26] which resemble natural tissues and organs.



inkjet



graphics plotter

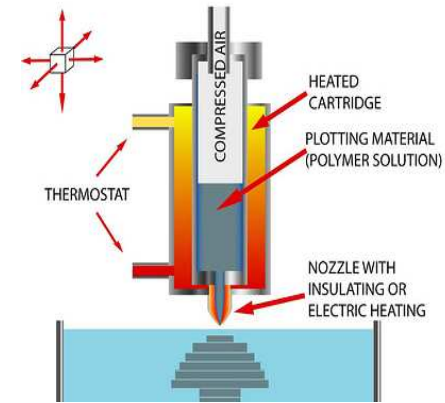


First 3D assembly : 2 layers of collagen

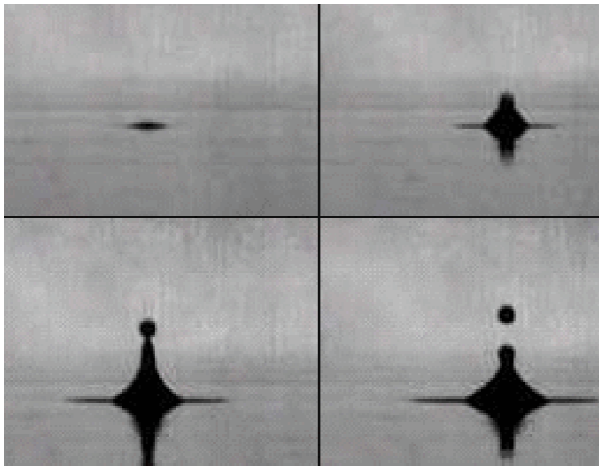
# Bioprinting technologies



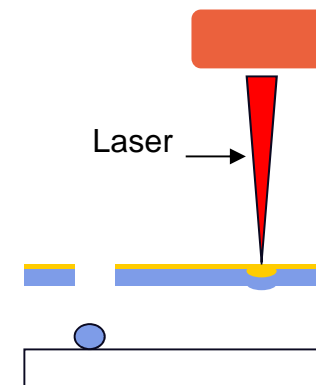
Inkjet (thermal, piezo)



Bioplotting  
(extrusion through syringe)



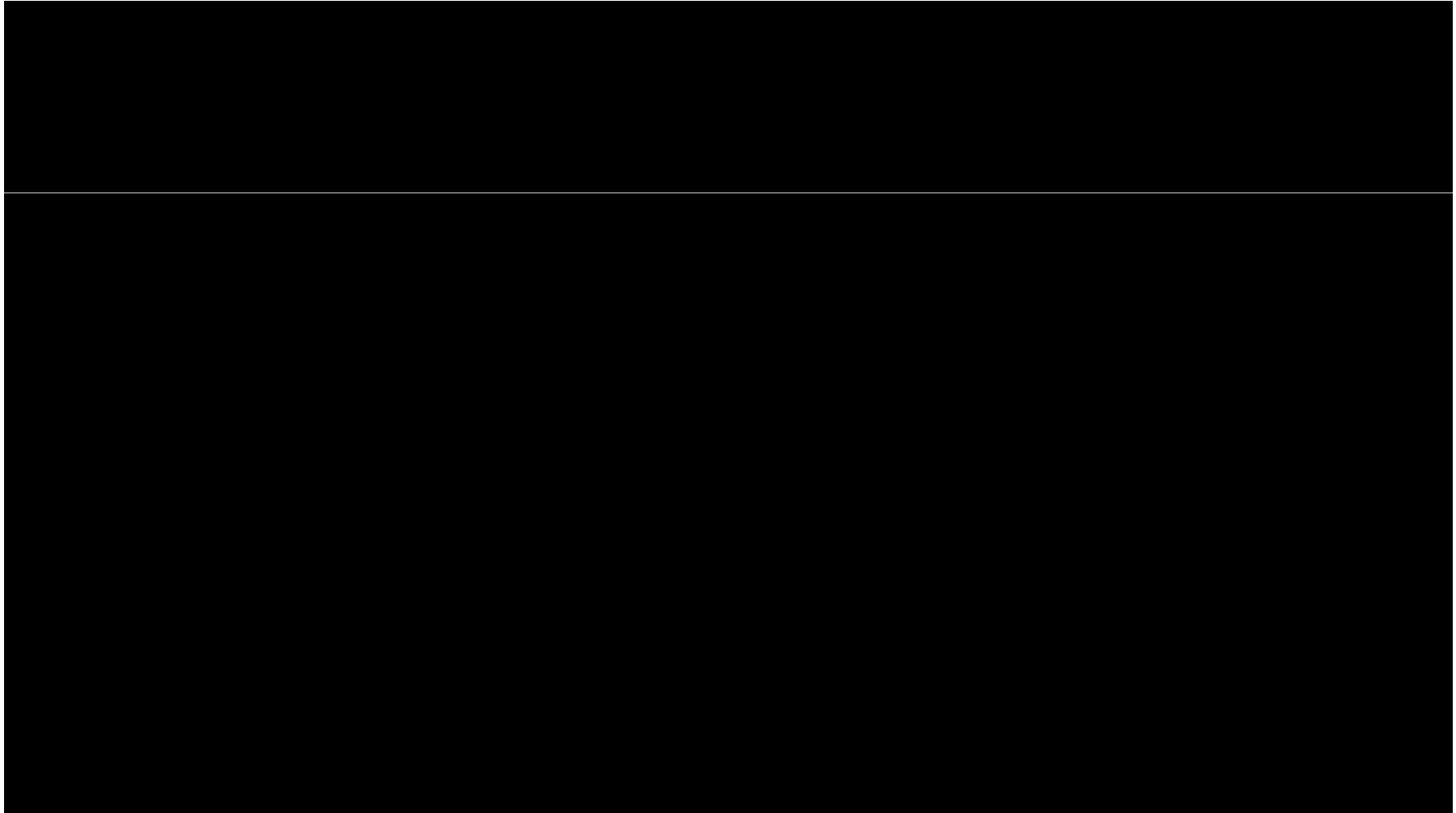
Acoustic Droplet Ejection



Laser - Assisted Bioprinting

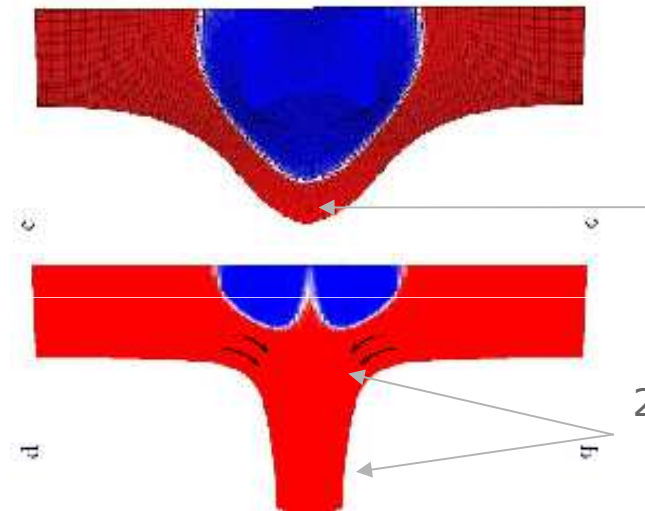
# Laser-Assisted Bioprinting (principle)

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# Numerical modeling of jet formation

Hydrocode CHIC (CELIA)



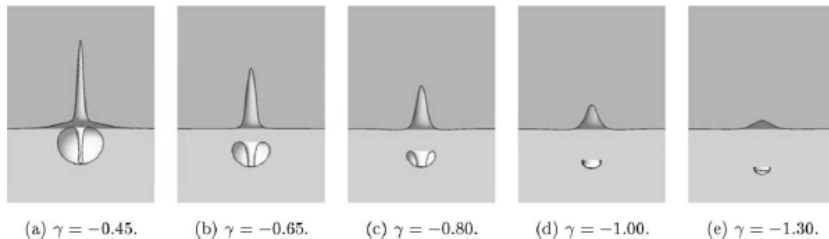
High pressure in the apex area (singular point)

2 jets are created:  
→ bubble collapsing  
→ droplet ejection

Mezel *et al.* Phys. Plasma (2009)

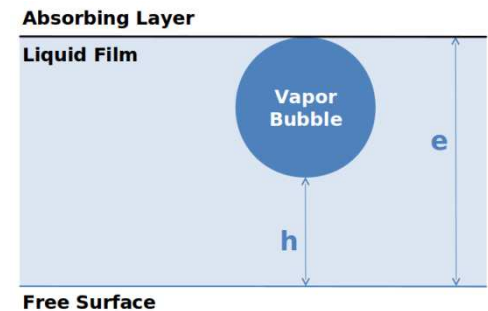
Interaction of the bubble with the free surface:

by analogy to studies on cavitation → dimensionless coefficient:



$$\Gamma = h / R_{\max}$$

- $h \rightarrow$  film thickness
- $R_{\max} \rightarrow E$ , viscosity



(Pearson, Engineering Analysis with Boundary Elements, 2004)

# Development of Laser-Assisted Bioprinters

**1st bioprinter:** delivered in 2007  
(a collaboration with NovaLase S.A.  
(Canéjan, France))

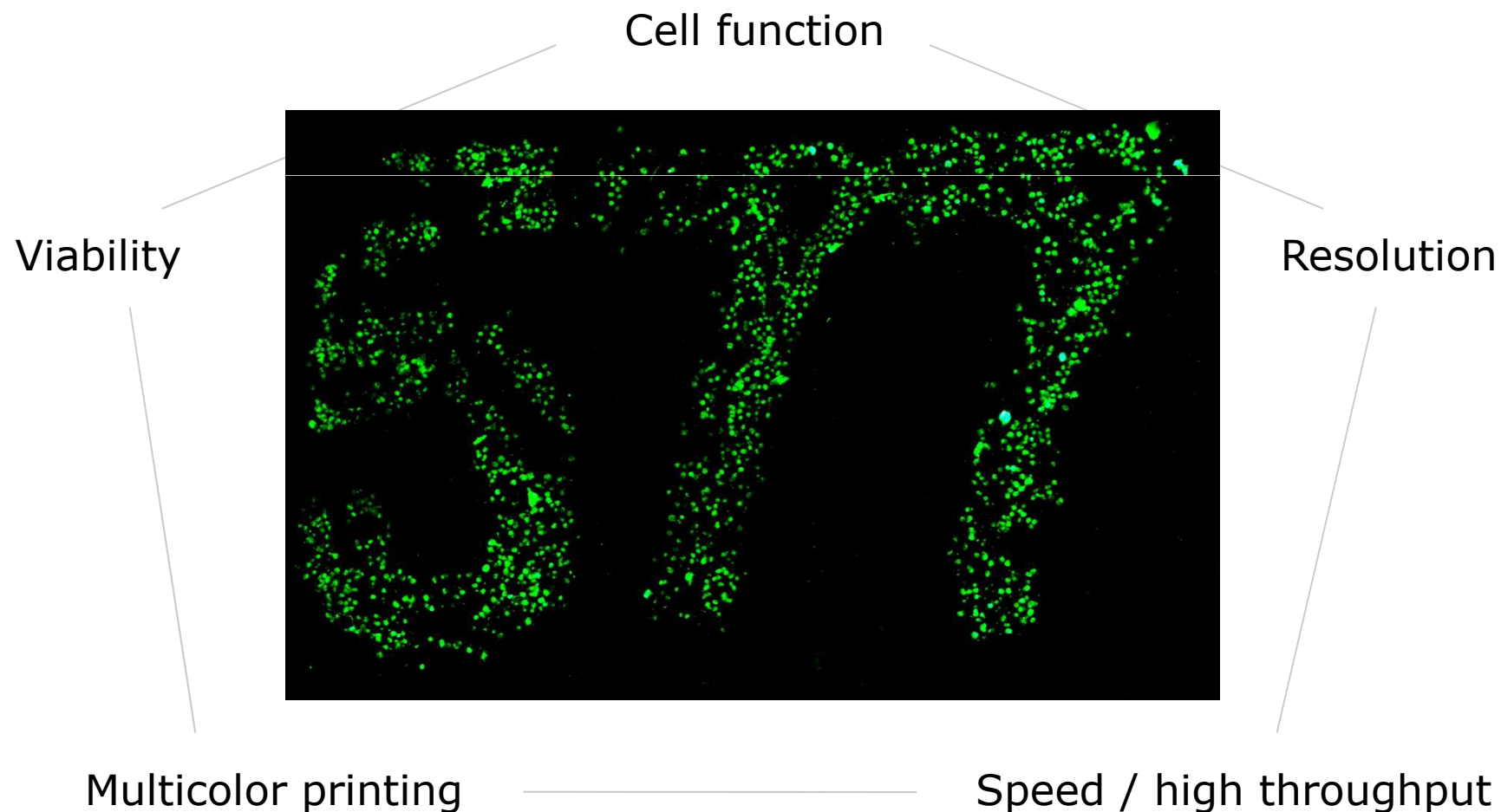


**2nd bioprinter:** delivered end-2013  
(a collaboration with Alphanov (Talence, France))



# Cell printing: main focus

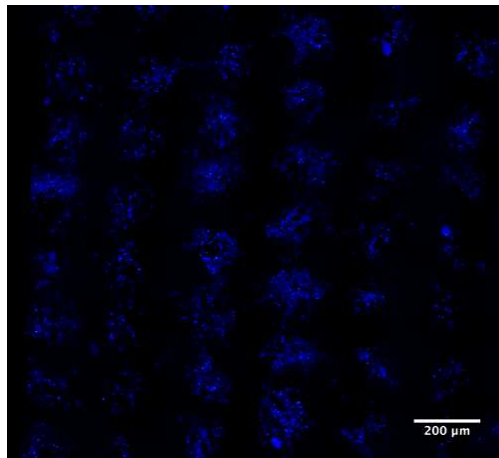
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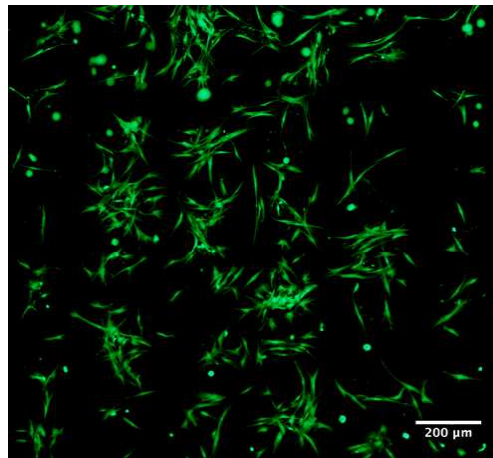
# Critical parameters for controlling cell viability

Cell injuries may be associated with:

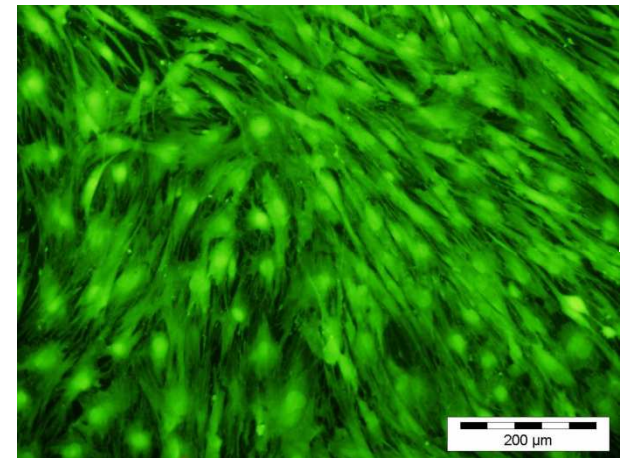
- i) bioink composition (e.g.: glycerol),
- ii) interactions of cellular components with light (UV  $\rightarrow$  DNA),
- iii) thermal effect
- iv) pressure generated during bubble growth,
- v) shear stress within the jet (viscosity, jet speed)
- vi) landing conditions (hydrogel thickness + ink viscosity)



Day 0



Day 2

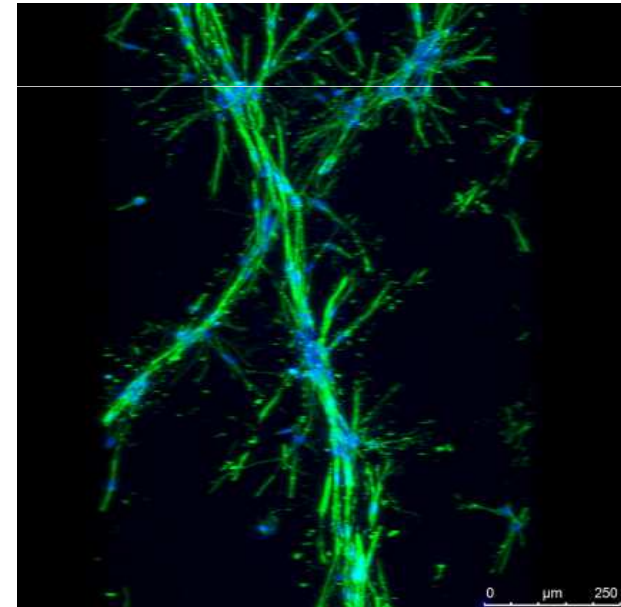
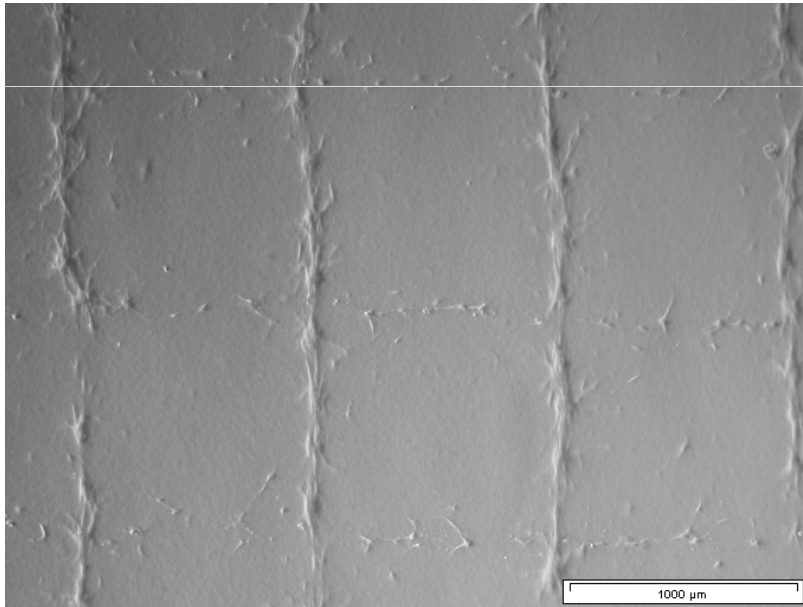


Day 15

Viability of Human Osteoprogenitors (HOP) after printing (Live/dead assay)

# Current project: 3D bioprinting of human cornea

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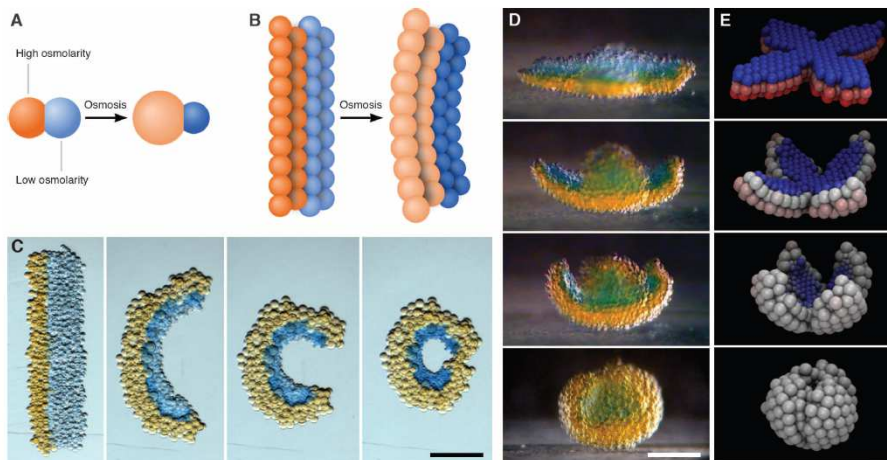


→ Bioprinting human keratocytes

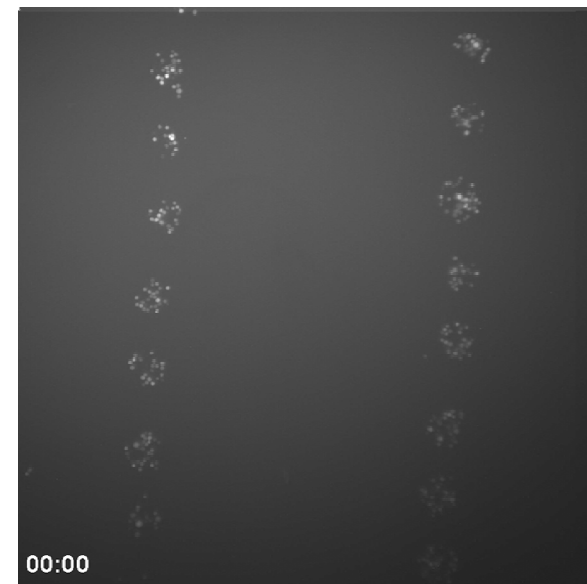
# 4D Bioprinting: 4<sup>th</sup> Dimension is self-organisation

“.. to create objects that can change after they are printed, making them self-adapting. The act of printing is no longer the end of the creative process but merely a waypoint.”

S. Tibbits (MIT)



G. Villar *et al.*, Science (2013)

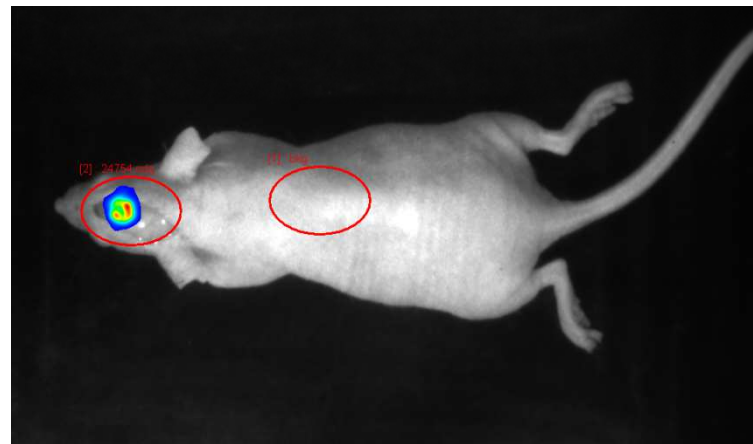
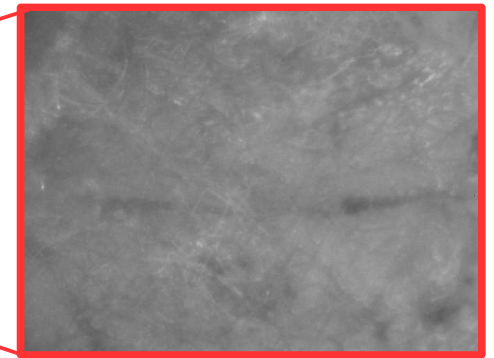
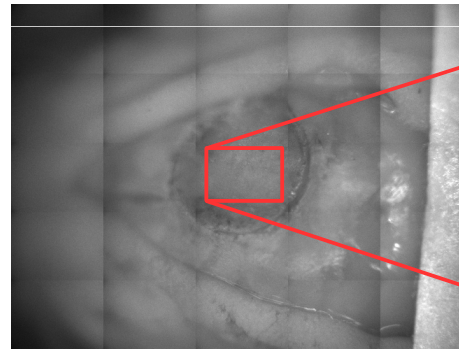
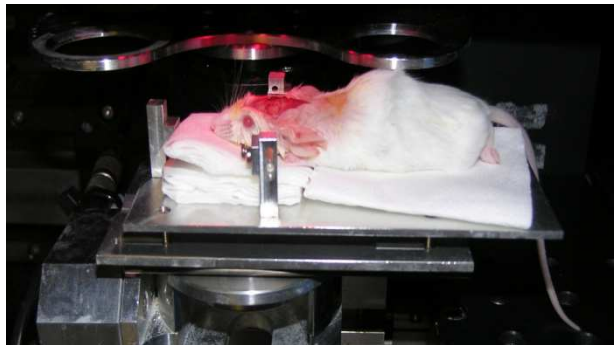


Mesenchymal stem cells onto collagen

# Bioprinting *in vivo*, *in situ*

Aim: demonstrating feasibility of bioprinting *in vivo*

→ Bioprinting mesenchymal stem cells into mouse critical size bone calvaria defect



# Start-up



On demand fabrication of human tissues for:

- research (pharma and cosmetic industry)
- Personalized medicine
- grafting (regenerative medicine)



Emergence, 2012



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