

# Simulation of Cardiac Ischemia and Arrhythmias

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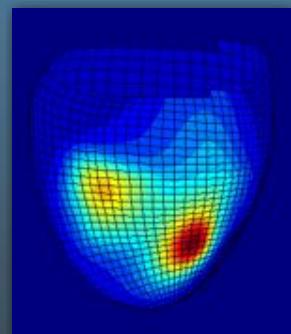
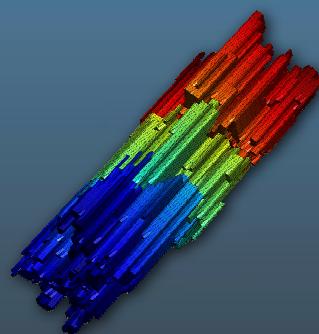
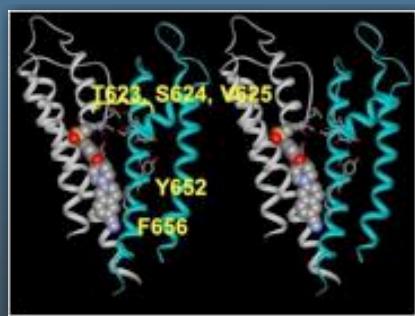
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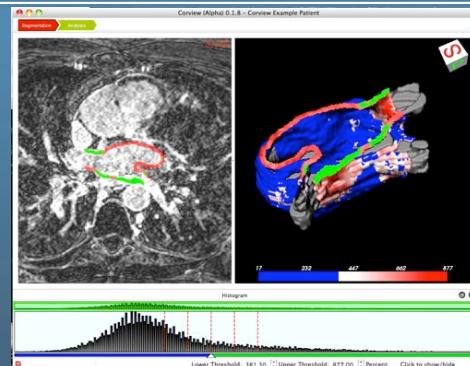
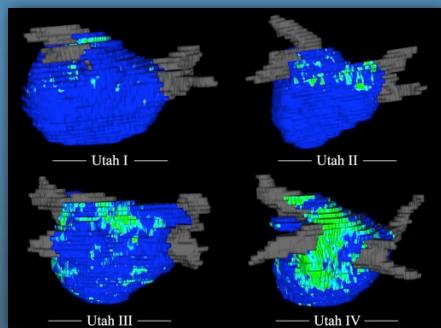
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Whole Organ



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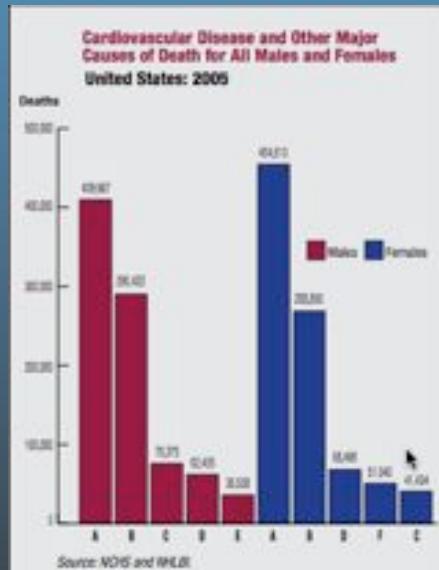


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# Heart Disease is a Killer



## Males

CVD+Congenital Cardiovascular Defects	A
Cancer	B
Accidents	C
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	D
Diabetes	E

## Females

CVD+Congenital Cardiovascular Defects	A
Cancer	B
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	D
Alzheimer's	F
Accidents	C

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# Simulation of Ischemia

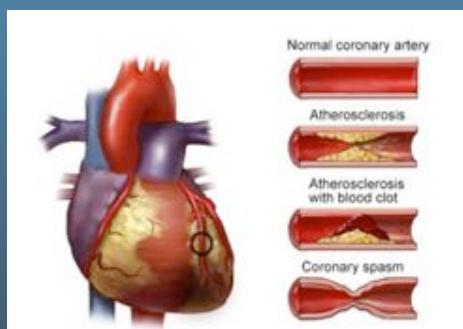


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## Ischemia

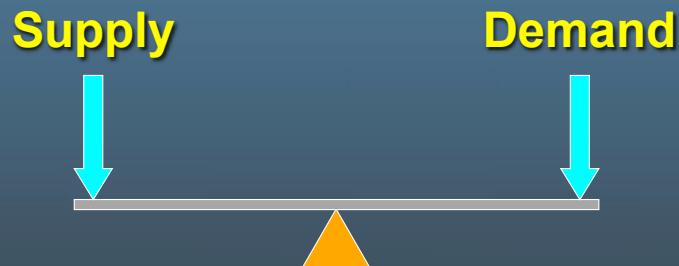


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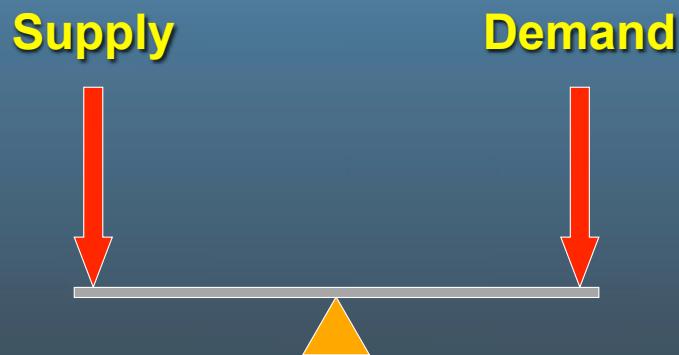
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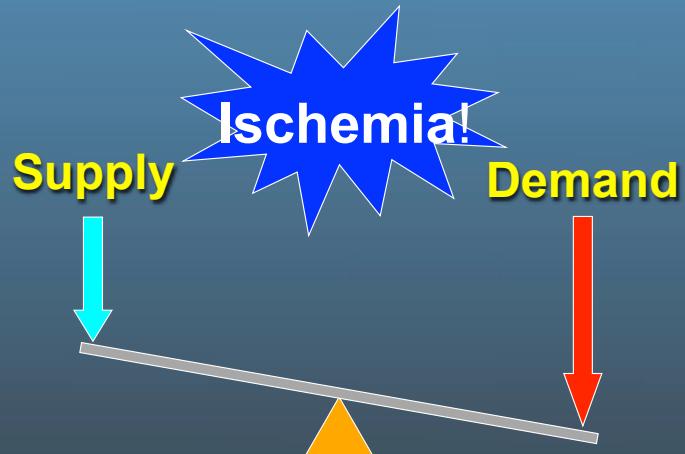
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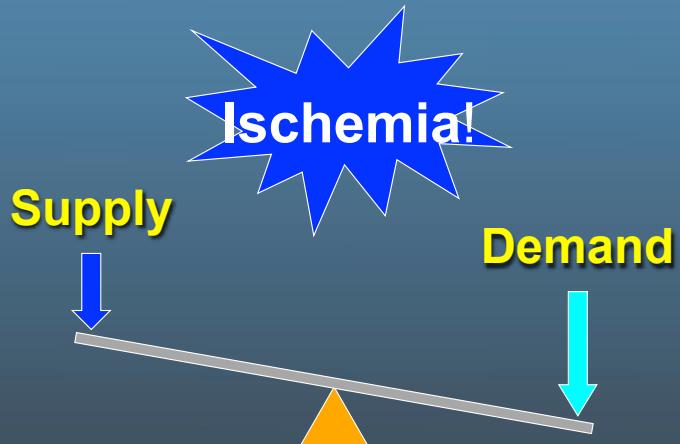


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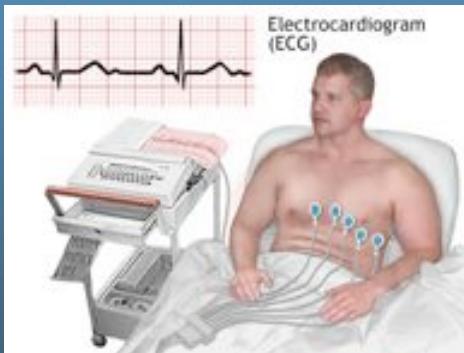


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## Heart Attacks and the ECG



### Continuous monitoring:

- ♦ 30-50% error rate
- ♦ Lead locations unclear, suboptimal
- ♦ Tracks changes dynamically



### Stress testing

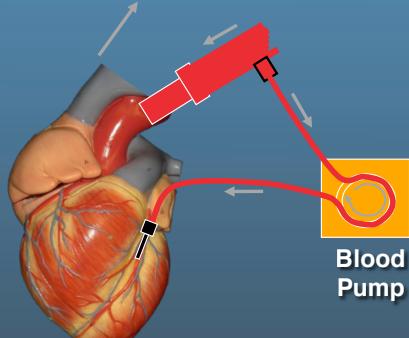
- ♦ Low sensitivity/specificity
- ♦ Thresholds variable
- ♦ Tracks changes during stress

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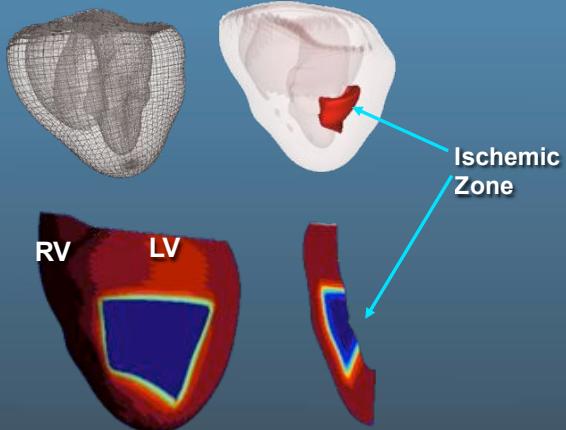
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# Experiments and Simulations



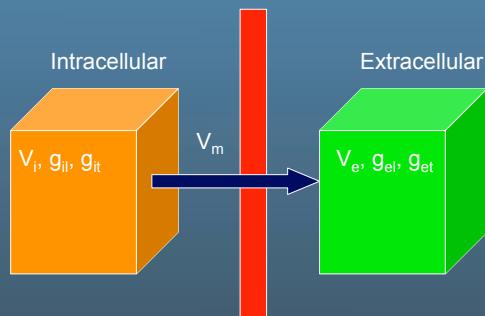
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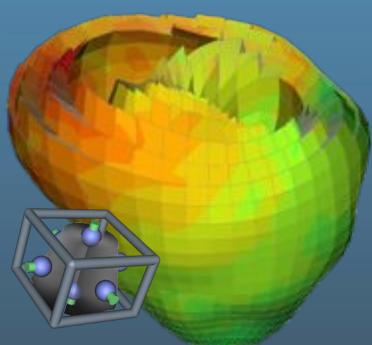
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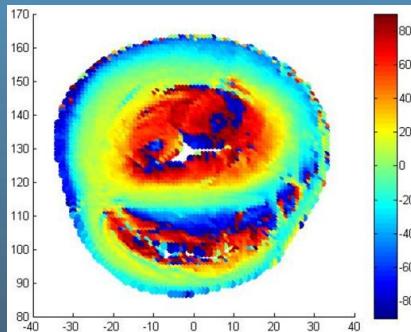
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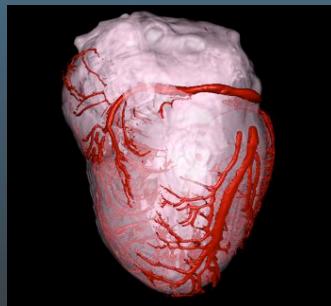
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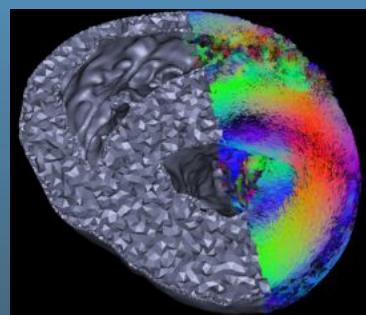
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DTI



Vasculature

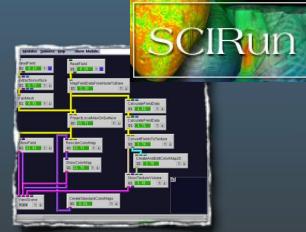


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# The Tools

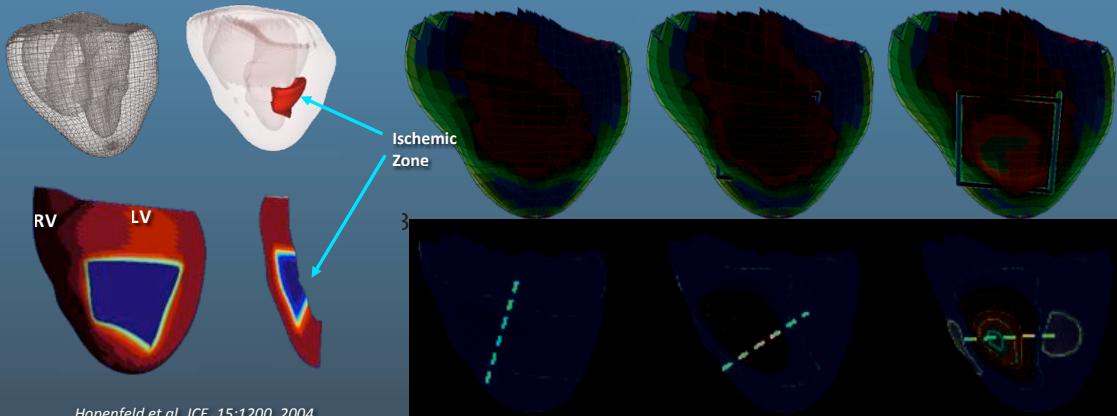


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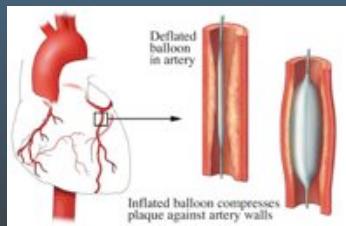
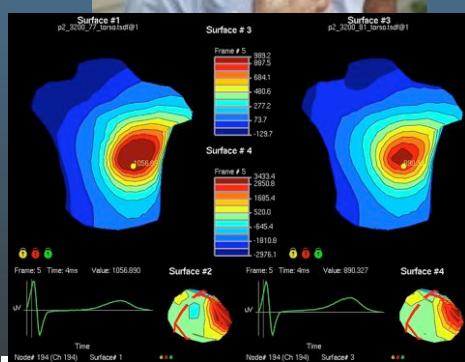
# Comparing Models to Experiments



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## The Goal



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# Simulation of Atrial Arrhythmias

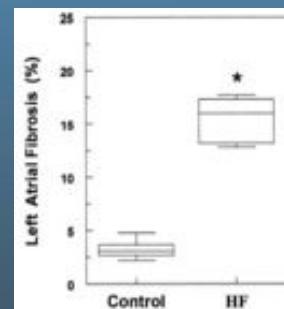
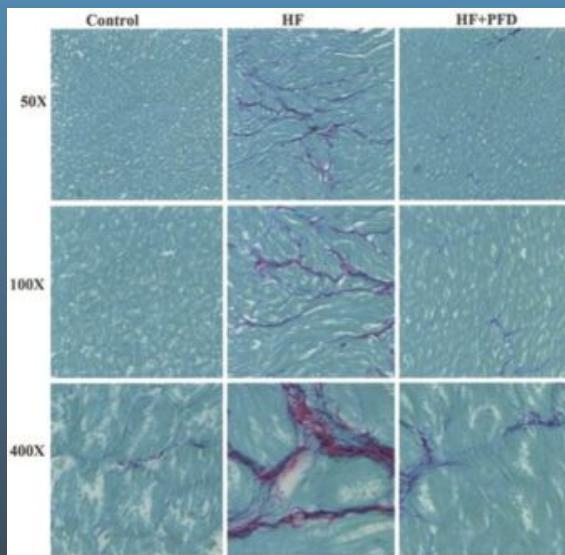


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## Fibrosis Linked to AF

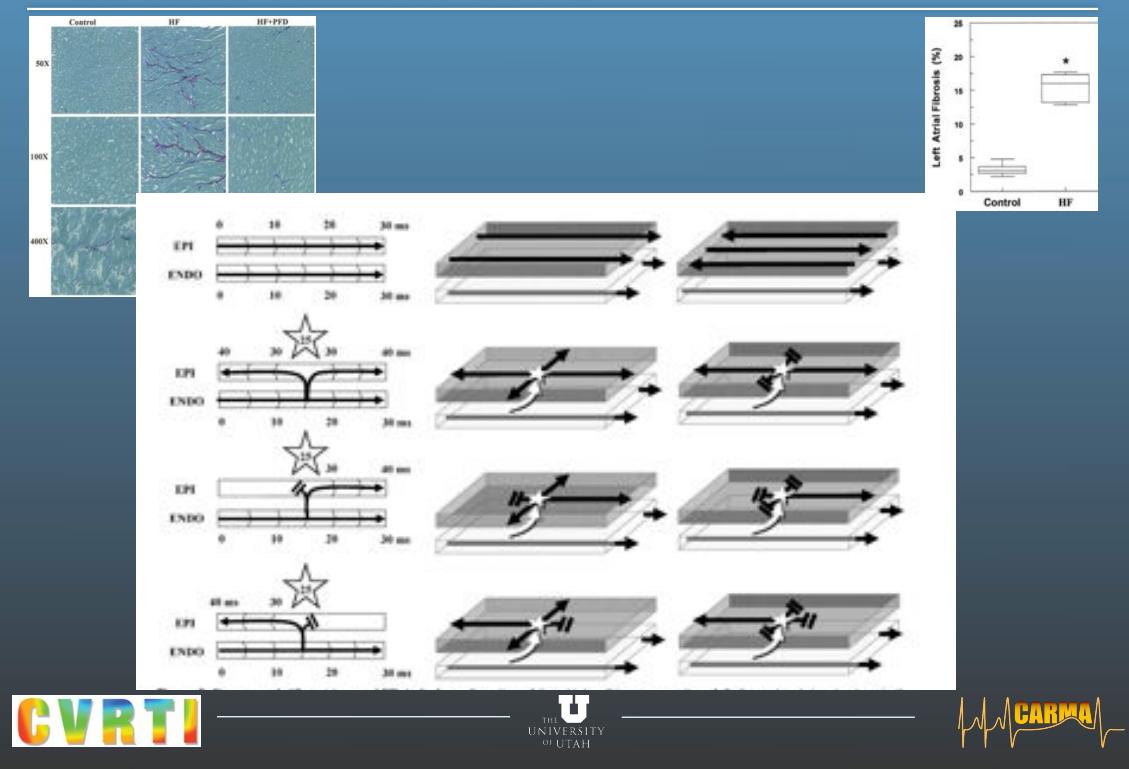


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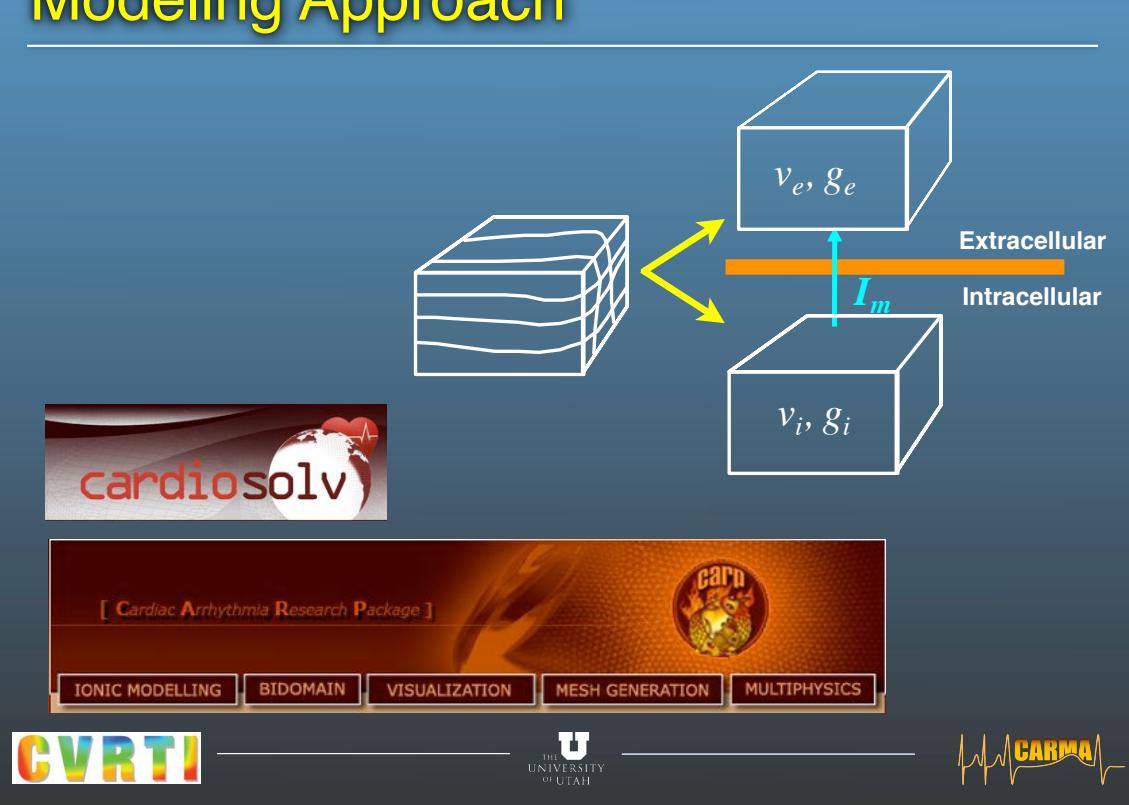
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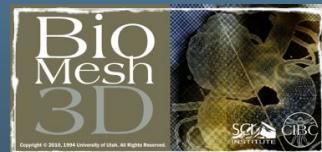
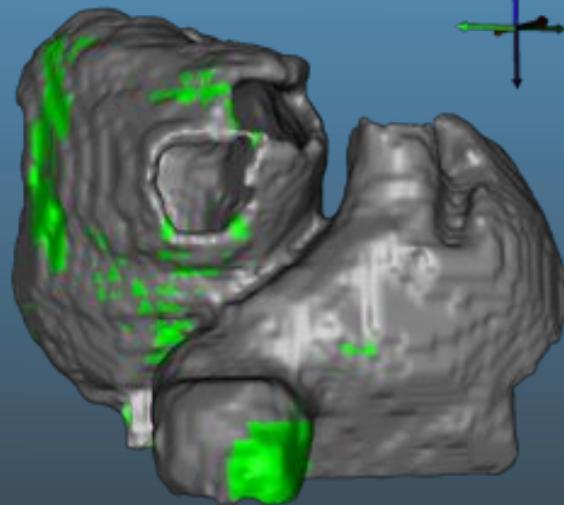
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# Modeling Approach



# Model Construction

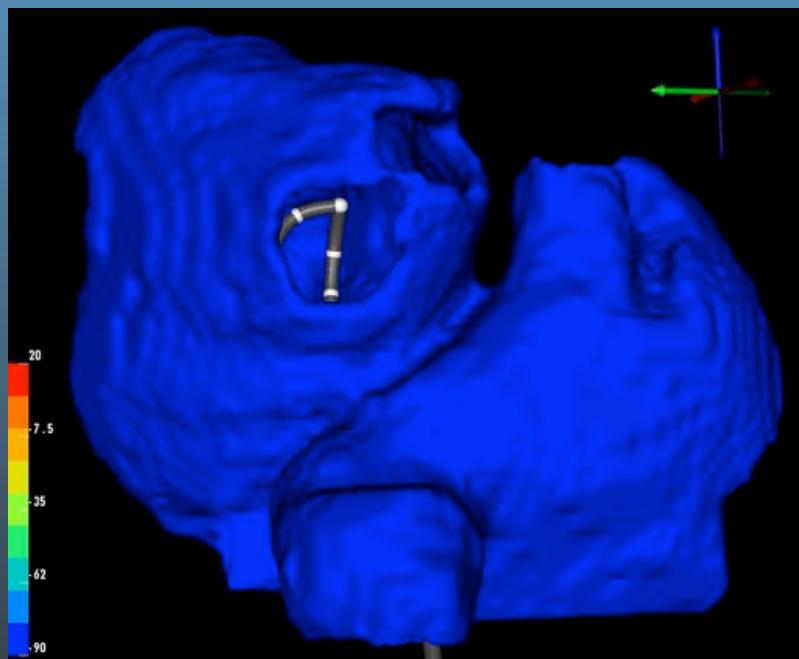


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# Initial Results



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