ROADMAP POLYMERS IN ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING FOR MEDICINE/DENTISTRY

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#### DISCLAIMER

• NOT and ENGINEER

(but I have stayed at a Holiday Inn Express)

#### CURRENT DIGITAL DESIGNED/AM MANUFACTURED DEVICES/ACTIVITIES

#### Neurosurgery

Cranioplasty Aneurysms Tumor

#### Orthopedics

Complex Fractures Heterotopic Ossification Custom Fixation Joint Replacement

> **Pharmaceutical** Drug Fabrication

#### **Bio** fabrication

Bio printing Bio Plotting Bio Assembly



DIGITAL MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGIES

#### Rehabilitation

Prosthetic fabrication Custom Attachments Assist Devices

Pediatrics Airway stents Cranial deformaties

#### Maxillofacial

Facial Reconstruction Custom Fixation Surgical Guides Facial Prosthesis

#### Dentistry

Implant guides Prostheses Orthodontics Virtual Planning

## CURRENT TRENDS

- Medical Models
  - Pre-surgical models
  - Patient Education
  - Record Pre/Post models
- Virtual Surgical Manipulation/design
  - Registration of multiple images
  - Reconstruction of missing anatomy
  - Movement of present structures

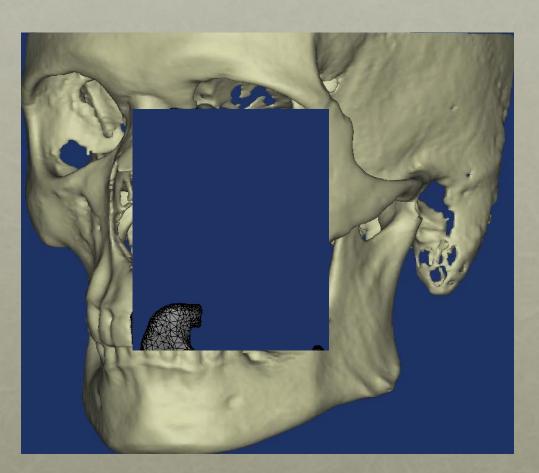


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- Surgical Guides and positioners
- Custom implants and other medical devices
- Bending guides
- Bio plotting/printing
  - Assays
  - Smooth organs?
  - Complex organs?

*Radiology Sees it as a part of their Service* 

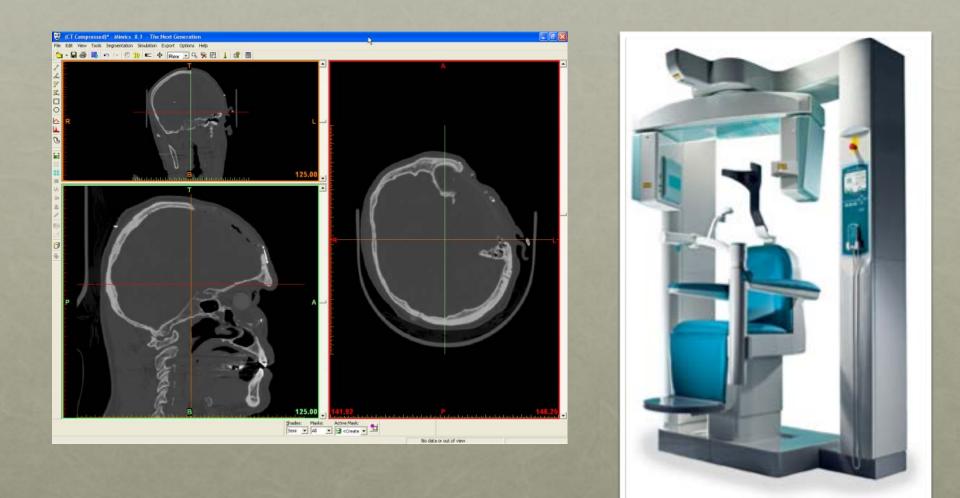
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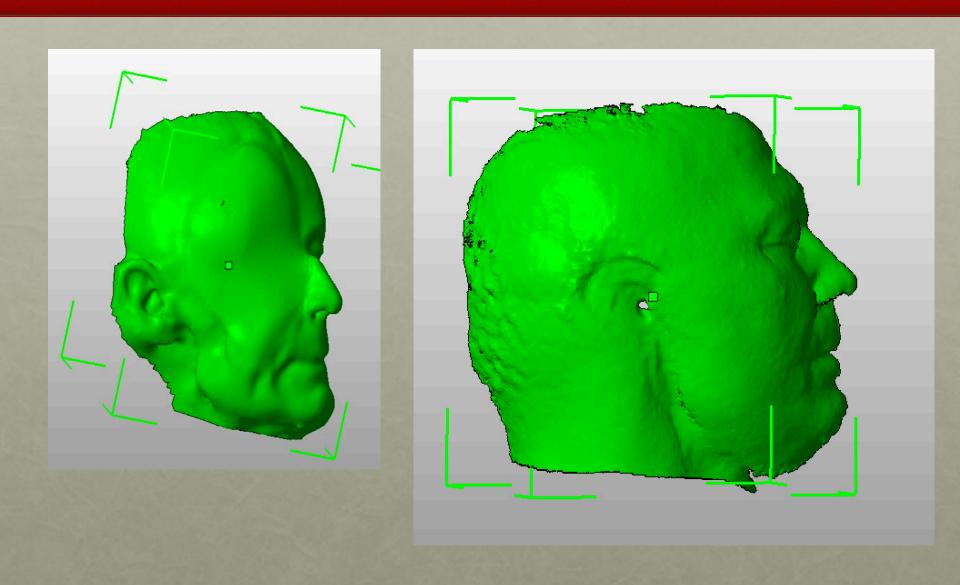


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#### MEDICAL IMAGING



### SCAN

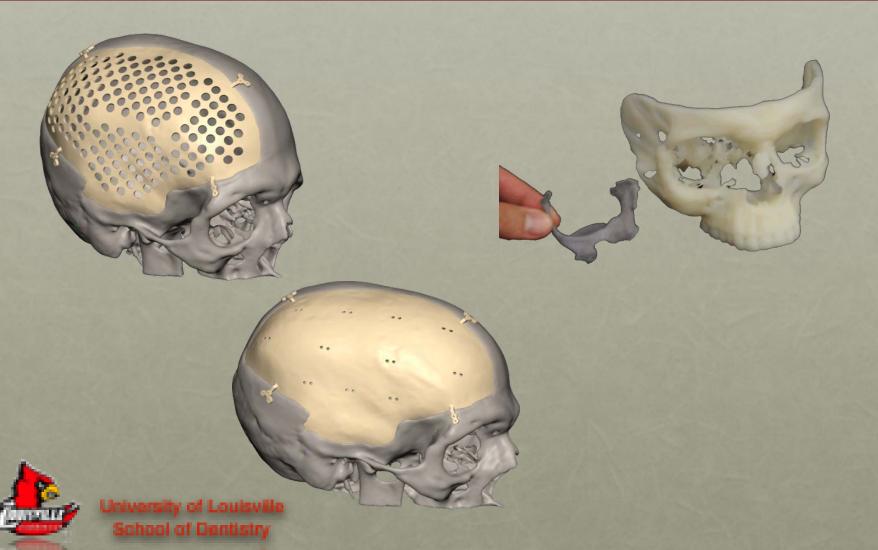


# IMAGING CHALLENGES FOR AM FABRICATION

#### Capture Protocols

- General Protocol do not support adequate parameters for accurate model fabrication
- Artifact
  - Image artifact from metals and low radiation (CBCT)
- Picture Archiving Systems (PACS)
  - Do not generally maintain other file forms but DICOM

#### DEVICES



SCHOOL OF DEPOSIT

## MEDICAL MODELS



## DENTAL



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## PROSTHETICS





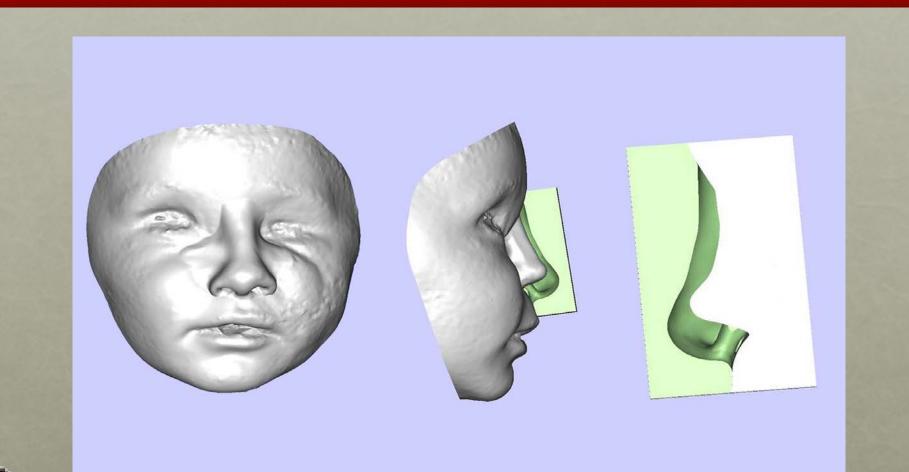
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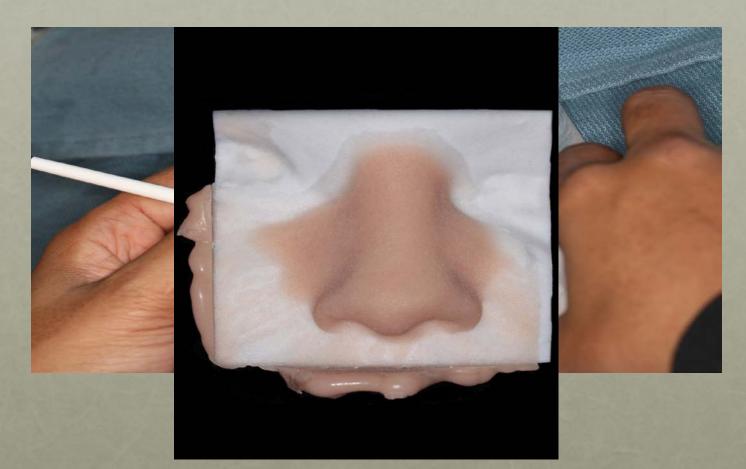
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## MOLD DESIGN





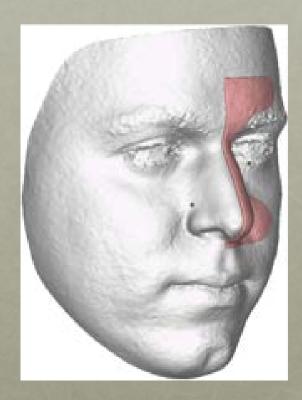
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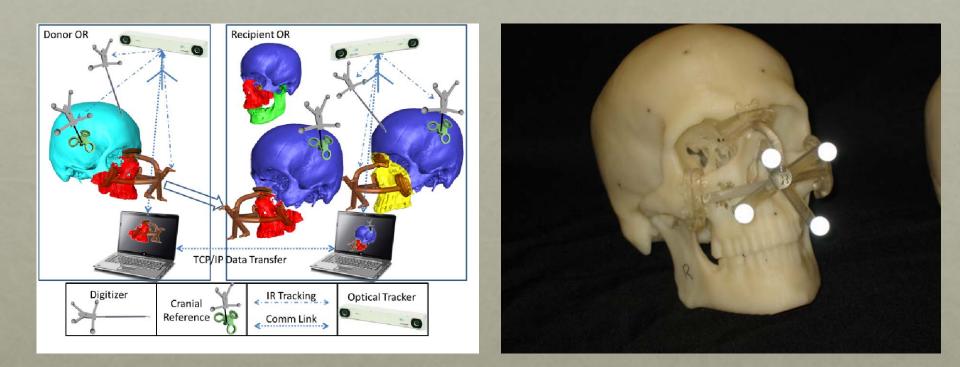








#### FACE TRANSPLANT



Murphy et al, Plast Reconstr Surg. 2015 Aug;136(2):350-62

### TRANSPLANT MASK





## OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH



## CHALLENGES FOR AM POLYMERS

- Fabrication Speed
  - Trauma reconstruction
  - Orthopedic splints
- Materials library
  - Biocompatible/ Bioactive/ Bioresorpable
  - Withstand Sterilization Processes
  - Variable durometer,
  - layered color addition
- Application
  - Inadequate research to support flexible design/manufacturing capabilities

## THANK YOU







