



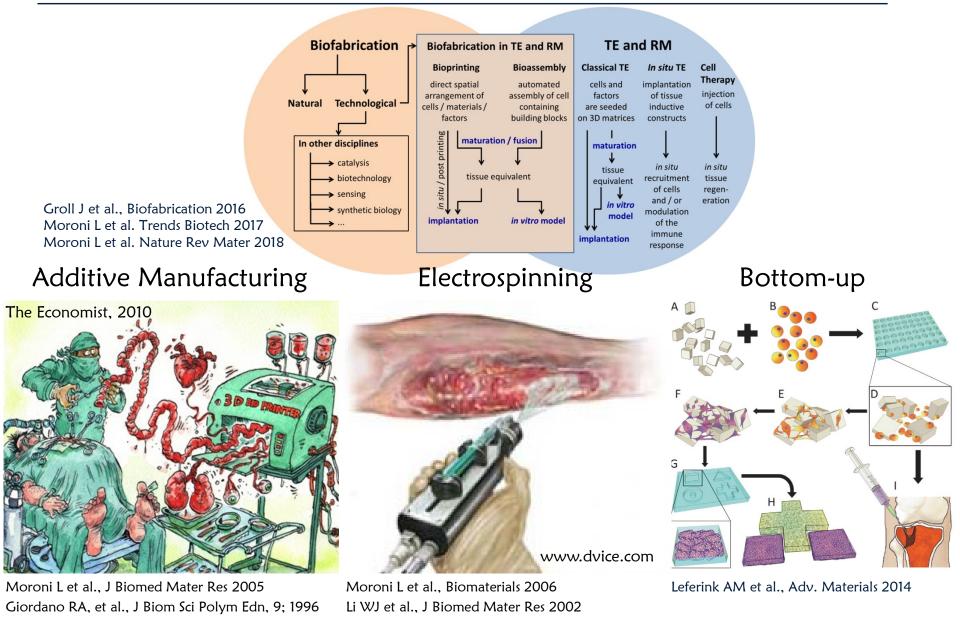
Biostampa a Ultra Alta Fedeltà di tessuti biologici usando lo Spazio per la scoperta di soluzioni antiinvecchiamento con risvolti anche sulla Terra



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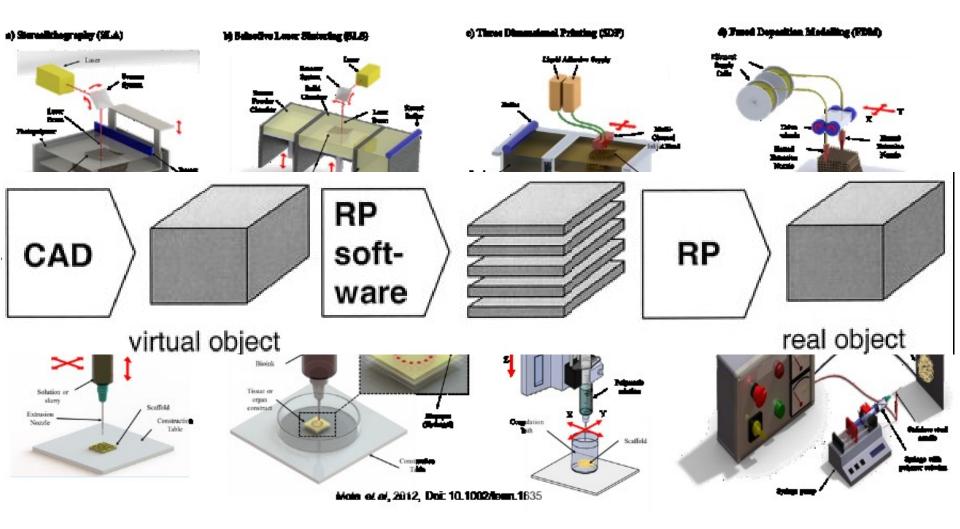


Biofabrication Clusters





Additive Manufacturing



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Additive Manufacturing in the Biomedical World

- Supporting Tools (e.g. exoskeletons)
- Instrumentation
- Dental (e.g. crowns & Bridges; > 10.000
- produced daily)
- Ear Implants
- Prostheses
- Visualization supporting tools
- Implants





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ACETABULAR CUPS: > 40.000 PRODUCED WITH EBM WHERE ~ 50% ARE IMPLANTED IN PATIENTS

First AM Customized Mandible Implanted in a Patient

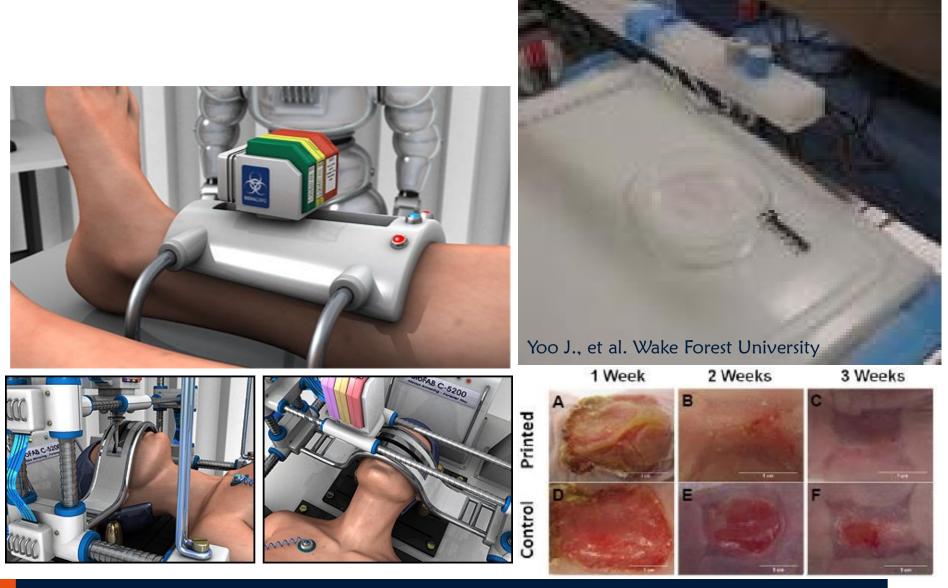


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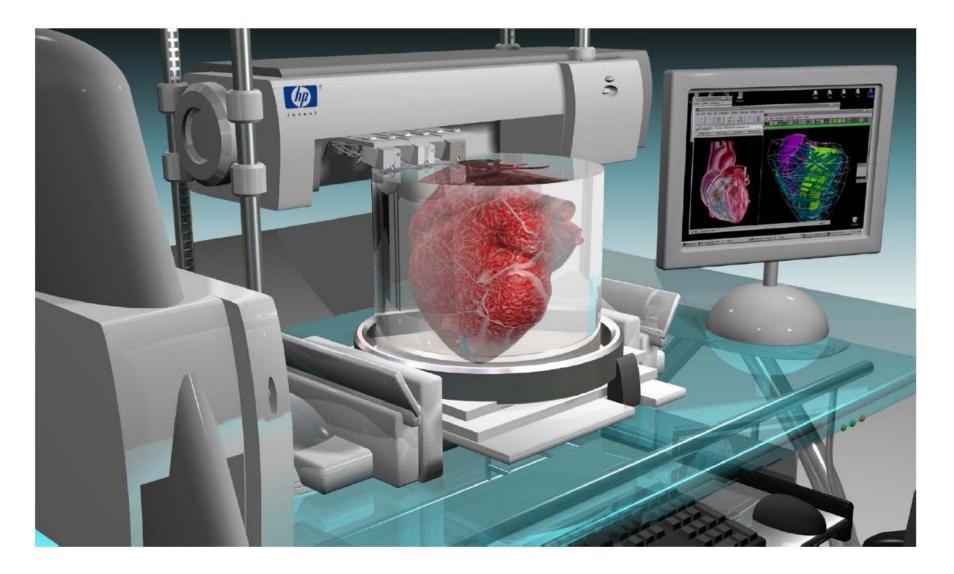


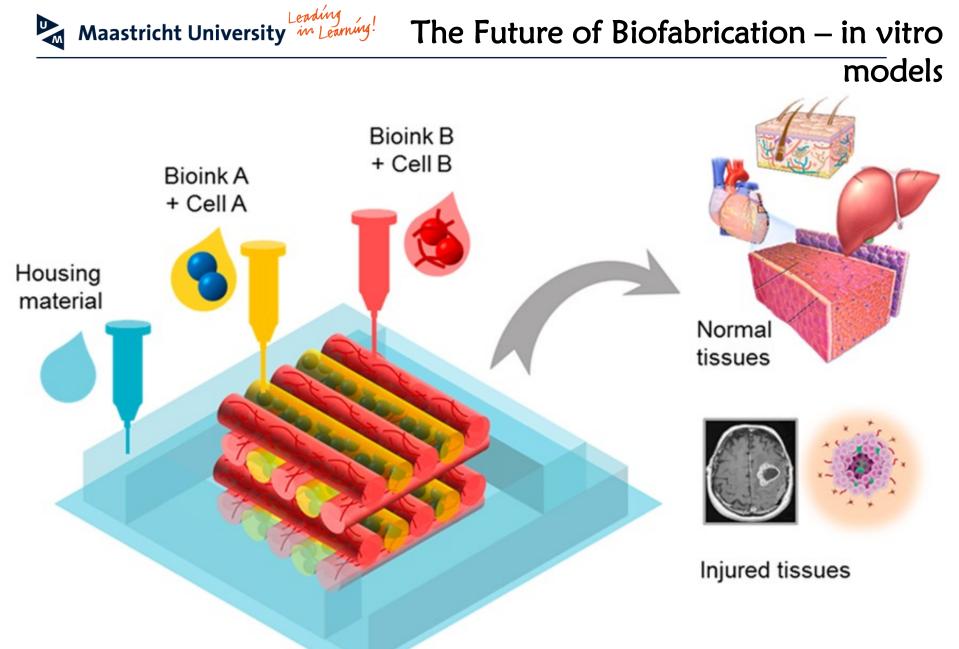
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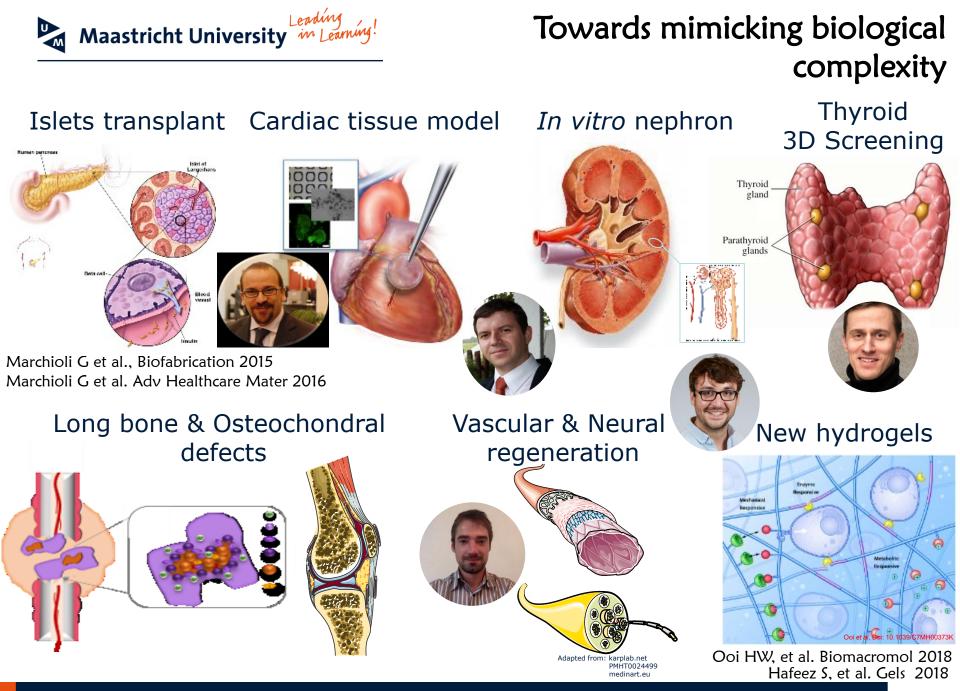


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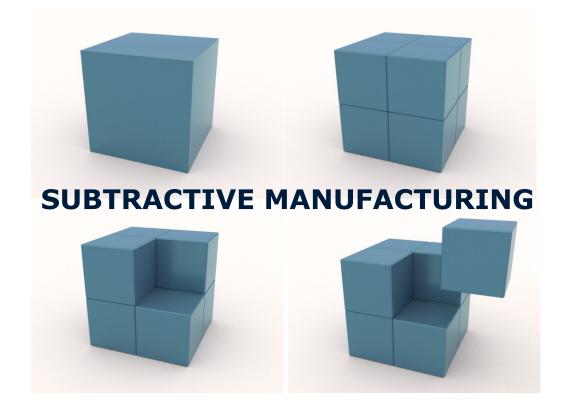




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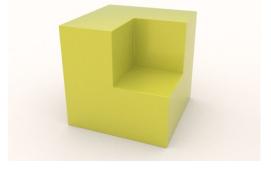




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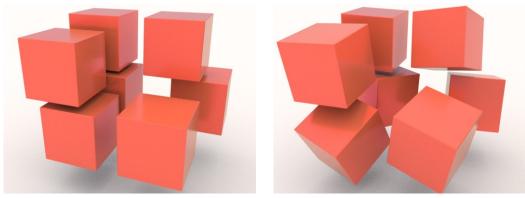


ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING









FORMATIVE MANUFACTURING





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MULTIPLE 3D PRINTERS ARE USED

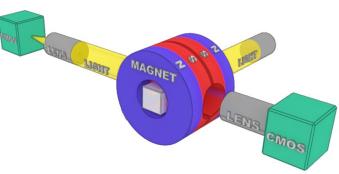


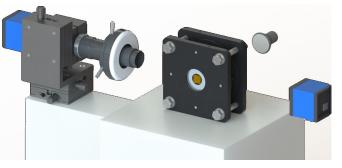
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Experimental magnetic installation



Courtesy Dr. Vladimir Mironov





Schematic diagram

Experimental setup, containing:

- Two annular neodymium magnets, oriented with the same poles to each other;
- glass cuvette with a suspension of paramagnetic and spheroids placed in the axial hole of the magnets;
- backlight;
- video camera

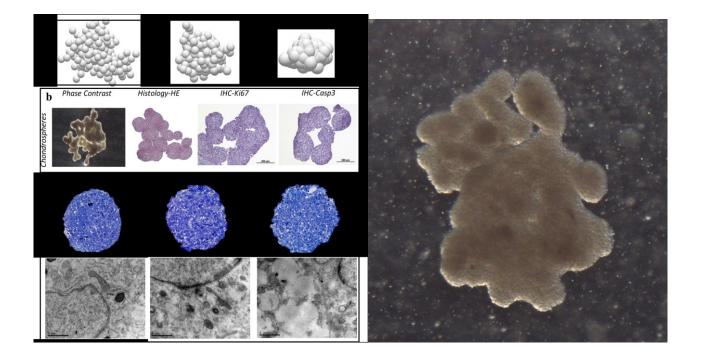
Experimental setup



3D model prototype



Bioasssembly of chondrospheres at ISS and estimation toxicity of paramagmetic salt of gadolinium

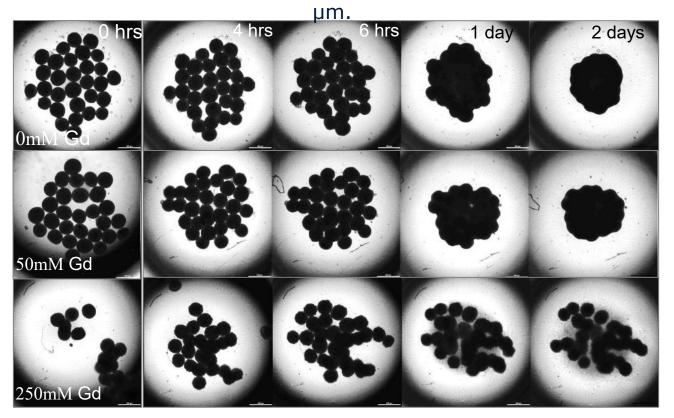


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Fusion of tissue spheroids as a function of time

Effect of Gd³⁺ salt on the fusion of 30 tissue spheroids placed in non-adhesive microplate. Phase-contrast images. Scale bar – 500

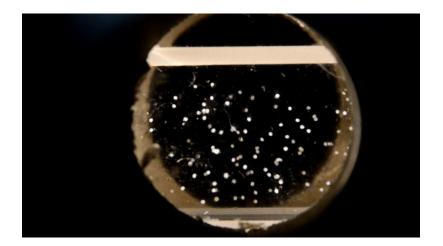


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Scaffold-Free, Label-Free & Nozzle-Free Magnetic Levitational Assembly of Tissue Engineered Construct from Tissue Spheroids (Chondrospheres)



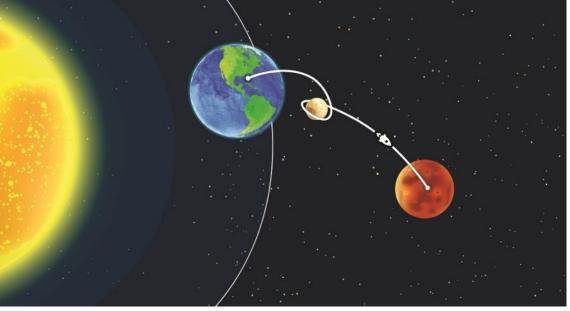


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3D Printing of Living tissues

for Space Exploration



- 1. To develop new bioprinting technology based on magneto-acoustic principles that can be used to rapidly fabricate 3D *in vitro* models that better mimic our organ architecture making advantageous use of μg in space;
 - a. Use of µg will enable a better understanding of levitation principles and physical phenomena at the base of object clustering (cells in our case), which could be reverted back to design criteria for magneto-acoustic bioprinting.
- 2. To study the effect of radiation and μg on the bioprinted 3D *in vitro* models; as a case study, we propose a heart 3D *in vitro* model.
 - a. 3D *in vitro* bioprinted models could offer a more biologically relevant platform (duration of experiments and reliability of readouts) compared to other available 2D and 3D cell culture models engineered on ESA ground-based facilities.
- 3. To exploit space conditions as an accelerator of ageing and exposure to environmental chronic conditions on Earth.
 - a. 3D *in vitro* bioprinted models in space could be used to study ageing and exposure to environmental chronic conditions on Earth, providing a viable technology for long-term manned missions to the Moon and Mars.

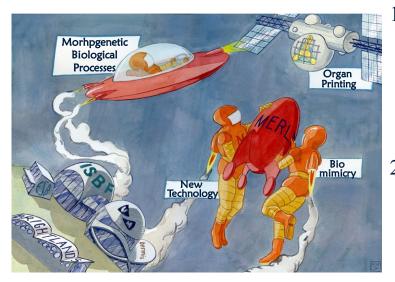


- For Human Space Activities:
 - 3D Models to study treatments for:
 - microgravity related diseases (e.g. osteoporosity, muscle loss);
 - Radiation related diseases (e.g. galnds and reproductive system);
 - ...
- Organ Shortage:
 - 1) Kidney;
 - 2) Liver;
 - 3) Pancreas;
 - 4) Heart;
 - 5) ...
- For Global Health:
 - 1) 3D models for pandemic diseases;





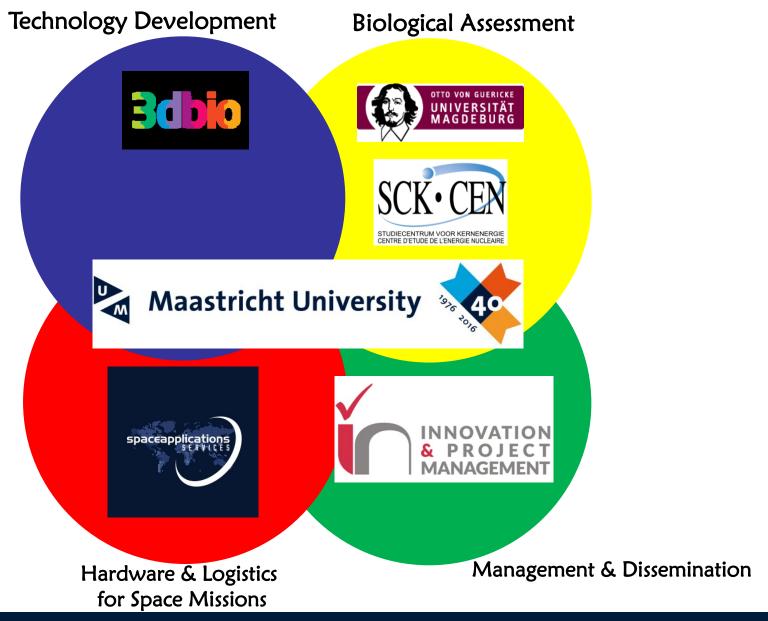
Contributions to ESA Roadmap





-) In Roadmap 2 SOFT OR COMPLEX MATTER RESEARCH IN SPACE, we will contribute to the physics of emulsions, granular matter, colloidal systems, and macromolecules, considering the composition of a bioprinted biological construct has components associated to all these physical forms of matter.
- 2) In Roadmap 6 UNDERSTANDING THE IMPACT OF GRAVITY ON BIOLOGICAL PROCESSES, CELLS AND ORGANISMS, we contribute to questions A (How are Cell Structure and Function Influenced by the Influence of Gravity?) and B (How Do Gravity Alterations Affect Animal and Human Systems at a Cellular/Tissue Level), at a cellular and tissue/organ level.
- 3) In Roadmap 7 SUPPORTING LIFE IN HOSTILE ENVIRONMENTS, we contribute in relation to long manned missions in space (e.g. first mission to Mars, or Moon village).
- 4) In Roadmap 8 UNDERSTANDING AND PREVENTING PHYSIOLOGICAL ADAPTATIONS TO REDUCED GRAVITY, we contribute in terms of really understanding with these human models how certain functionalities will be influenced and how these models could be used to study possible countermeasures.







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