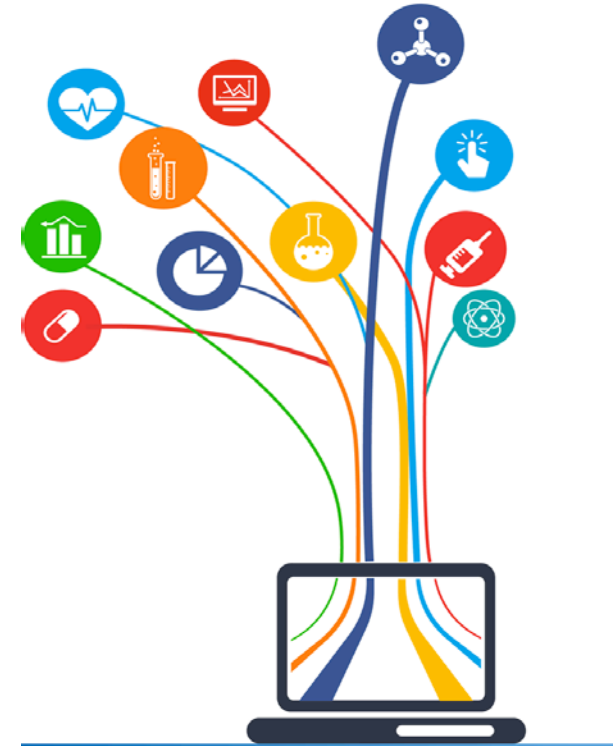


# The emerging regulatory landscape for *in silico* methods in medical devices

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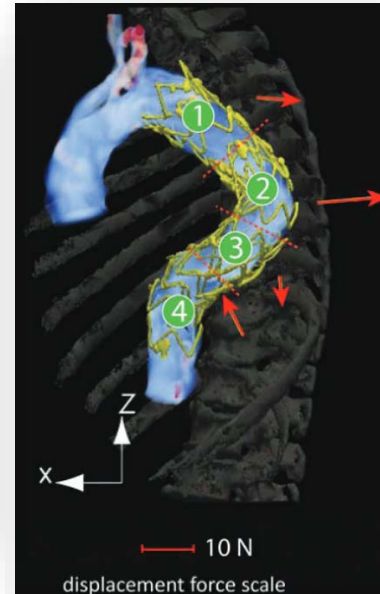
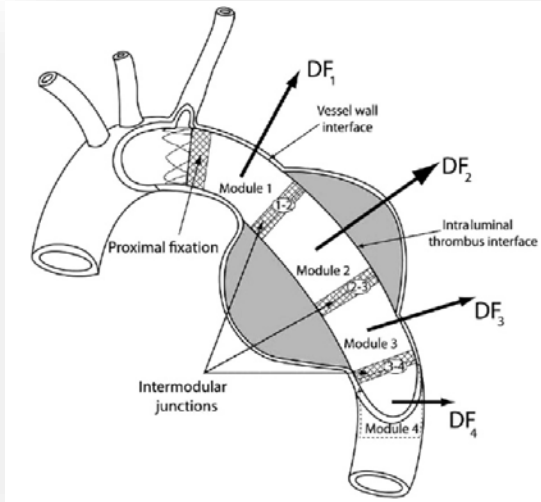
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# Let's start with an example to discuss Context of Use

## Four different *contexts of use* for the same simulation platform.

- Simulation is used to evaluate the performance of the stent graft for a medical device marketing application  
E.g., [compute spring stresses and strains](#)
- Simulation is used to conduct an *in silico* clinical trial to augment endpoint to assess freedom from fracture  
Harness the [virtual patient model approach](#)
- Simulation platform is used to evaluate different endovascular grafts for patient-specific surgical planning  
[Software as a medical device](#)
- Simulation platform is available as a tool for companies for design V&V and evaluation  
[Medical device development tool](#)



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### Computational Analysis of Stresses Acting on Intermodular Junctions in Thoracic Aortic Endografts

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This reference serves as a visual example to illustrate *context of use*.

# Opportunities for Tool Developers

**FDA Development Tool Programs:** scientifically validated tools that aid development and regulatory evaluation

## Drug Development Tools (DDT)

The ***context of use*** defines the boundaries within which evidence & justification supports tool use. It should include four key components:

1. Product area (e.g., total hip replacement)
2. Stage of development (e.g., design verification)
3. Specific Role of tool (e.g., predict load limit)
4. Regulatory Evaluation (e.g., performance data for 510(k))



Clinical Outcome Assessments



Biomarker Tests



Nonclinical  
Assessment Models

## Medical Device Development Tools (MDDT)

## 2018-2020 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

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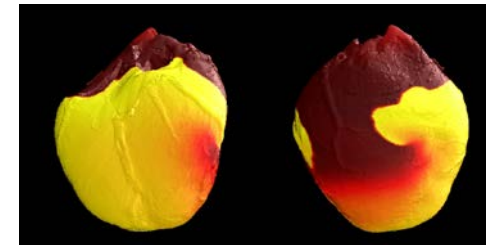
### 2018-2020 CDRH Strategic Priorities

- Employee Engagement, Opportunity, and Success
- Simplicity
- Collaborative Communities

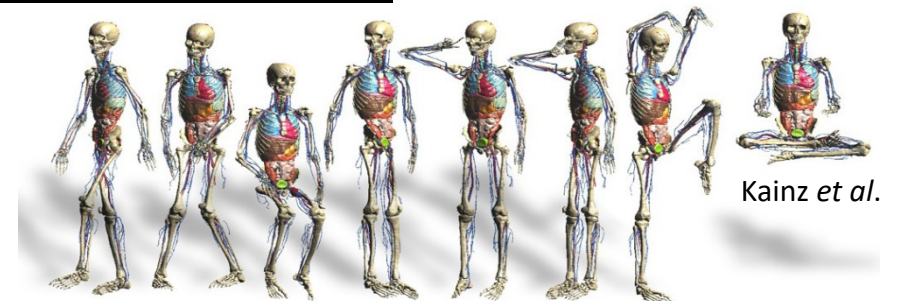
### CDRH Regulatory Science Priorities

- **Big Data**
- Biocompatibility
- **Real-World Evidence**
- Clinical Trial Design
- **Computational Modeling**
- Infection Control
- Patient Input
- **Digital Health** and Cybersecurity
- **Predicting Clinical Performance “Virtual Patients”**
- Precision Medicine and Biomarkers

Pathmanathan *et al.*

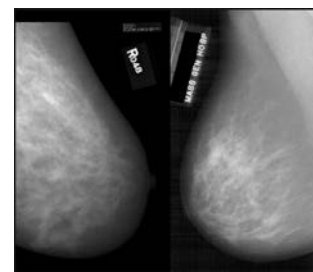


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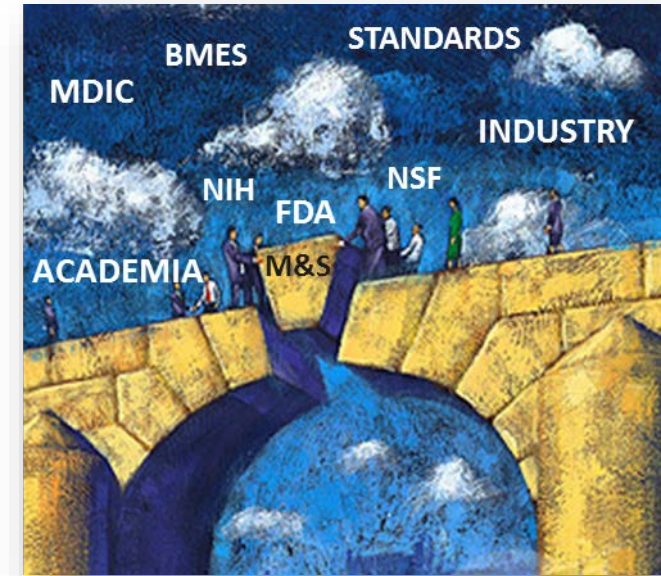
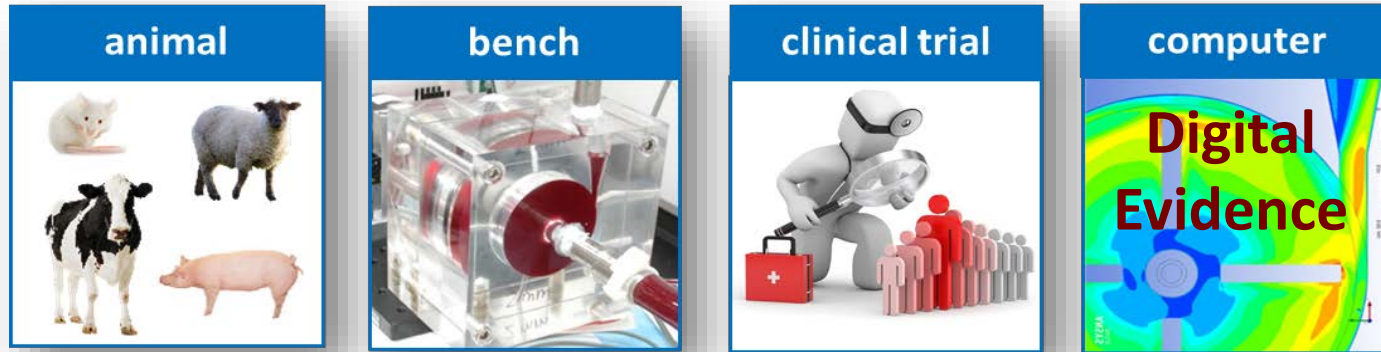
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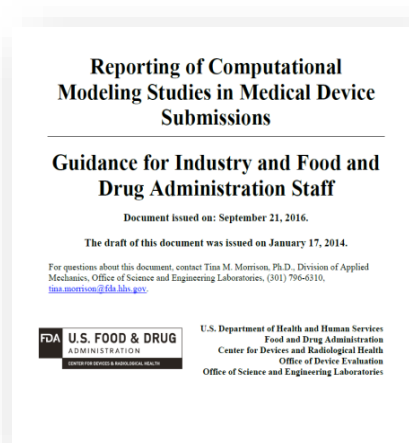




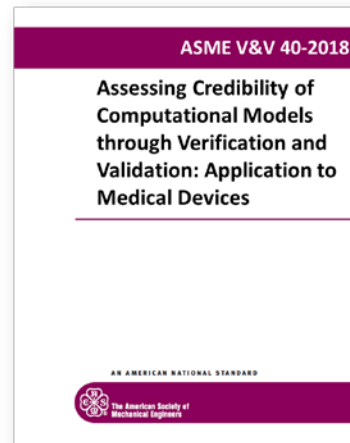
# Progress with Simulation over the last 5 years



## Regulatory Review of Computational Modeling Community of Practice



Regulatory Guidance



Consensus Standards



Regulatory Science  
Publications\*

## 2019 Conference The Role of *Digital Evidence* to Support Personalized Patient Healthcare



\*Morrison et al, FMED 2018, 10.3389/fmed.2018.00241

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# **FRONTIERS IN MEDICAL DEVICES CONFERENCE**

*The Role of Digital Evidence to Support Personalized Patient Healthcare*

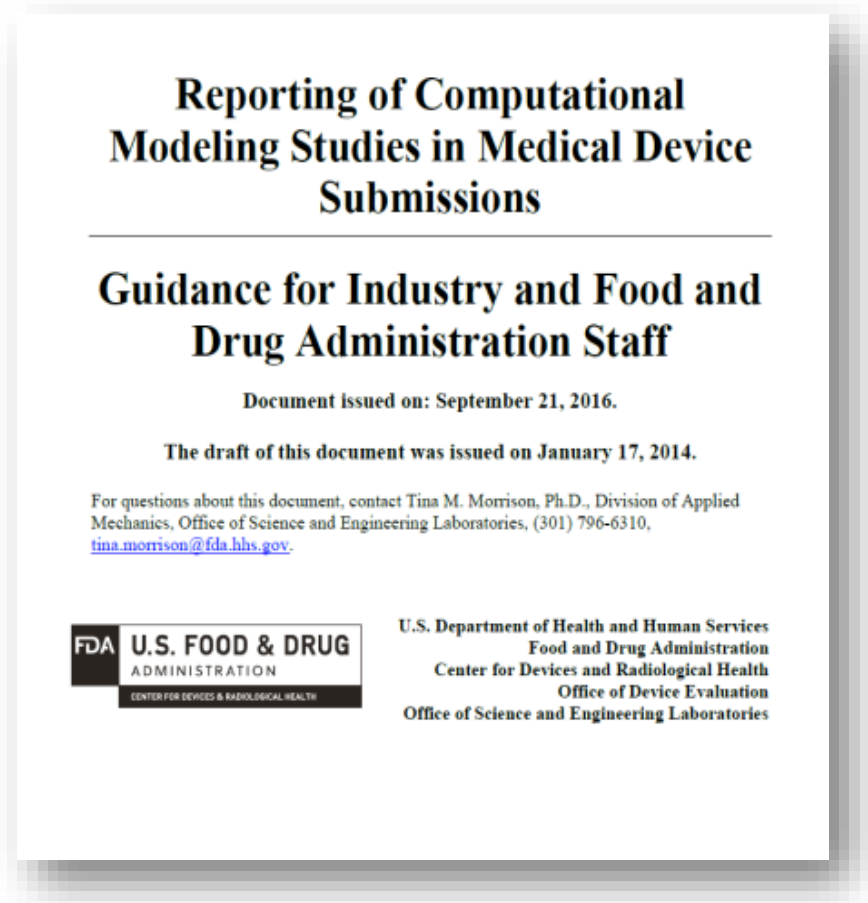
*Meeting with FDA, Industry & Academia*

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# I. FDA Final Guidance

## Reporting on Computational Modeling Studies in Medical Device Submissions – September 21, 2016



### Table of Contents

- Introduction
- Scope
- Outline of Computational Modeling Report
  - 15 components
- Glossary
- Five subject matter appendices
  - Fluid Dynamics and Mass Transport
  - Solid Mechanics
  - Electromagnetics and Optics
  - Ultrasound
  - Heat Transfer

## II. ASME V&V 40 Standard

**Credibility:** the trust, obtained through the collection of evidence, in the predictive capability of a computational model for a context of use

- Focus is on **HOW MUCH** V&V is necessary to support using a computational model for a context of use.

<http://go.asme.org/VnV40Committee>

ASME V&V 40-2018

**Assessing Credibility of  
Computational Models  
through Verification and  
Validation: Application to  
Medical Devices**

***September 2018***

An International Standard



The American Society of  
Mechanical Engineers



# Initiating a Clinical Trial with Simulation and Digital Evidence

## FDA Critical Path Project Underway

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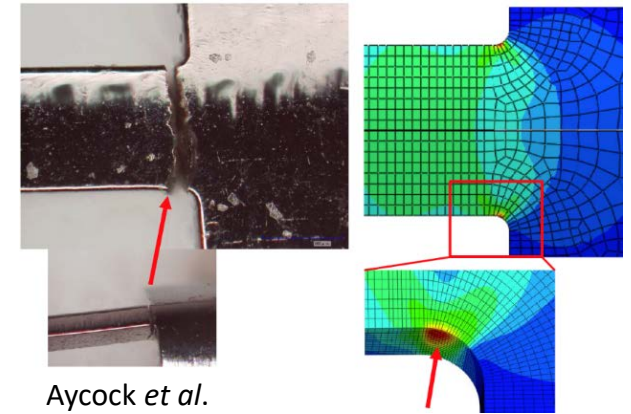
### Mock Submission Team:

**Industry:** four medical device companies and one medical device manufacturer: expert modeler & regulatory affairs from each

**FDA:** expert modelers, experimentalists and regulatory

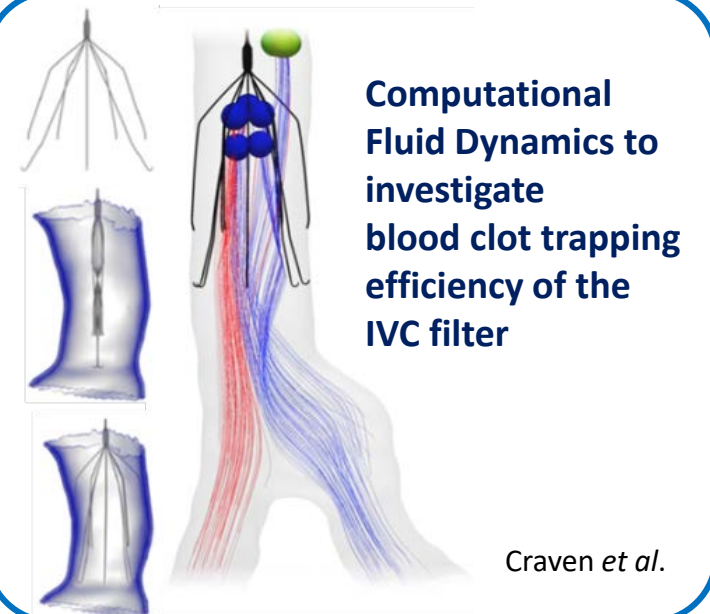
### Key Objectives:

1. Generate & demonstrate “regulatory-grade” digital evidence for a mock IDE submission
2. Prepare mock IDE submission using FDA reporting guidance & ASME V&V40 Standard
3. Conduct independent FDA review of mock IDE submission
4. Assess & improve regulatory review process for computational modeling
5. Share content and develop training materials for industry & FDA staff



Aycock et al.

**Finite Element Analysis to determine the potential for fracture due to fatigue**

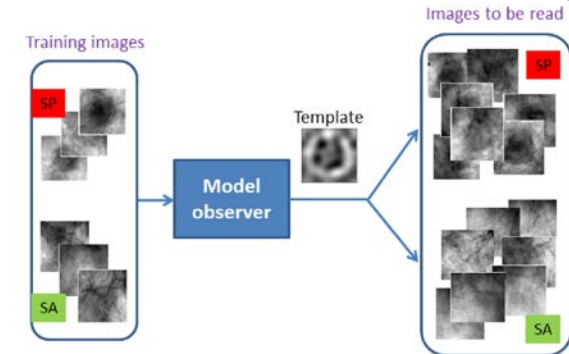
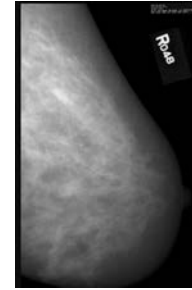
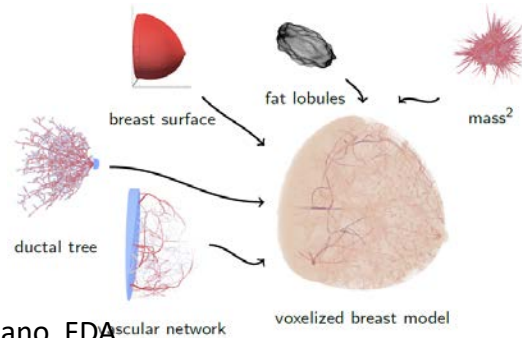


**Computational Fluid Dynamics to investigate blood clot trapping efficiency of the IVC filter**

Craven et al.

# 3 Examples of *in silico* medicine approaches

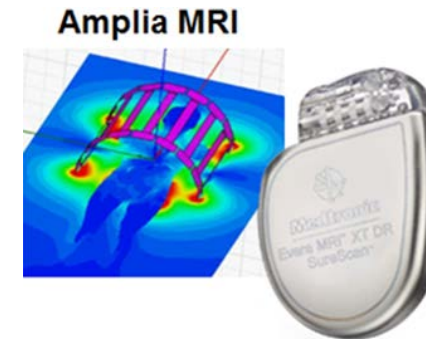
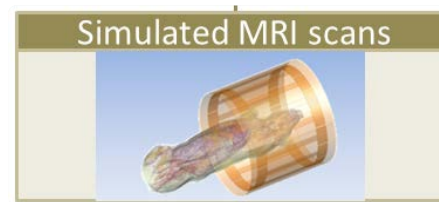
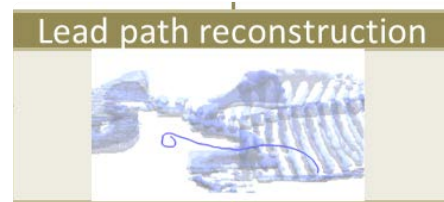
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Courtesy Badano, FDA

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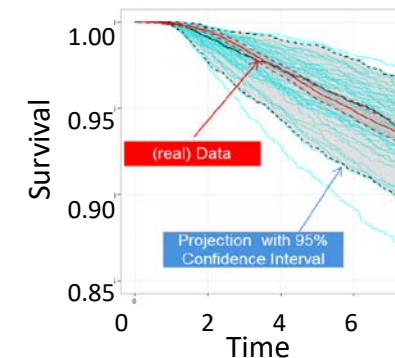
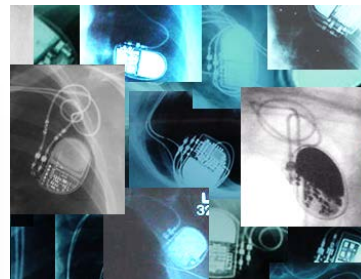
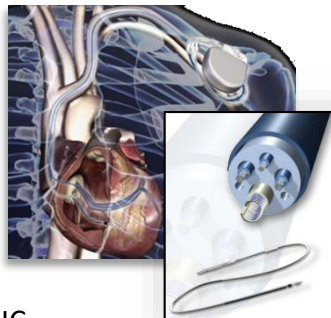
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Courtesy Medtronic, Inc.

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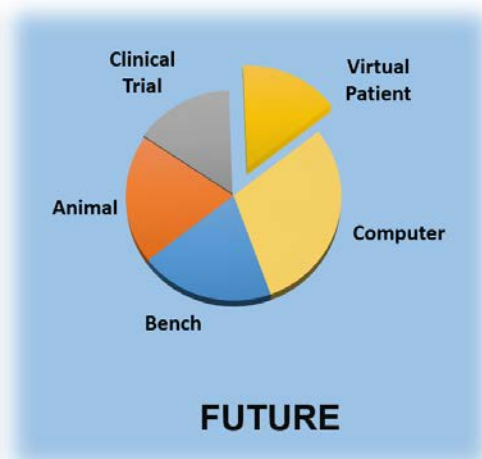
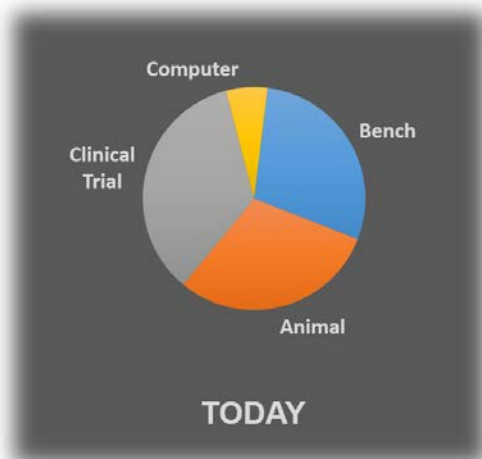
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# Looking to the next 5 years

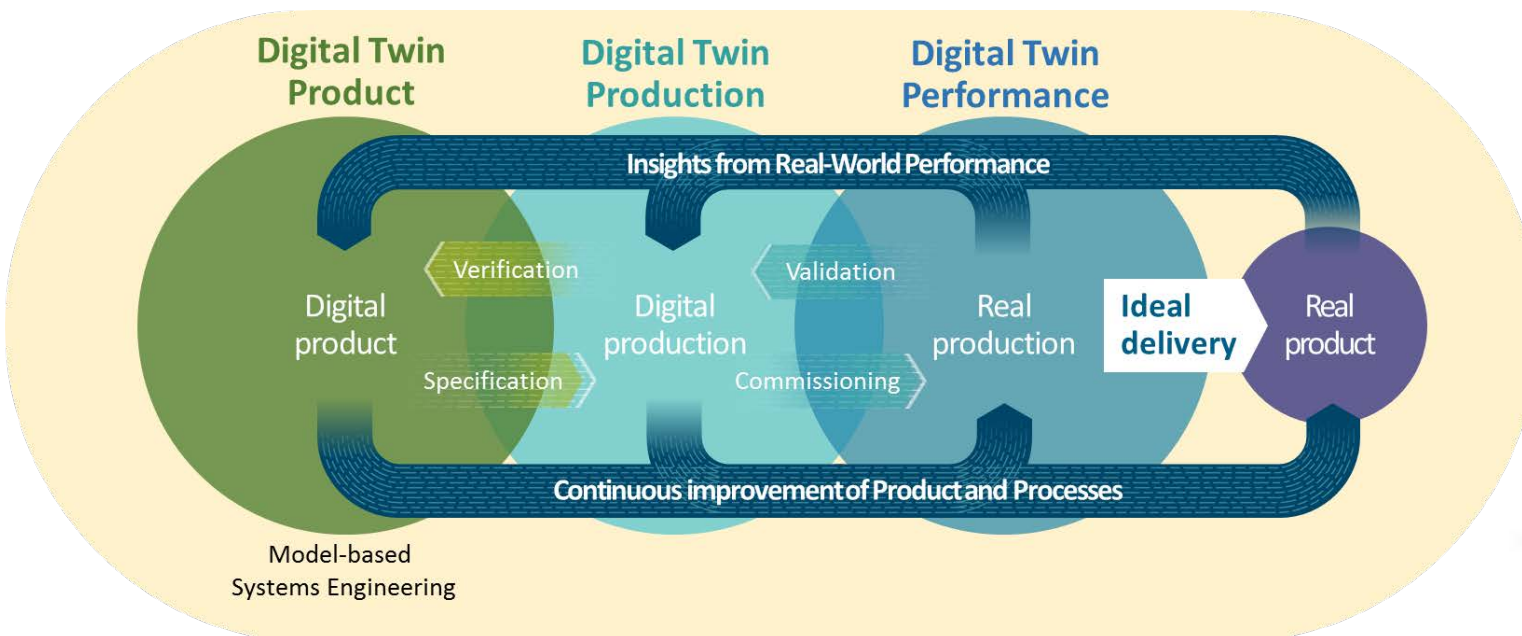


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## Living Heart Applications: Virtual Design & Testing of Cardiovascular Devices

*Opportunity for medical devices and pharmaceuticals*

Heart Disease
Pacemaker Leads
Stents
Valves
LVAD



**DIGITAL HEALTH**  
**Pre-Certification**



# Digital Evidence as External Evidence

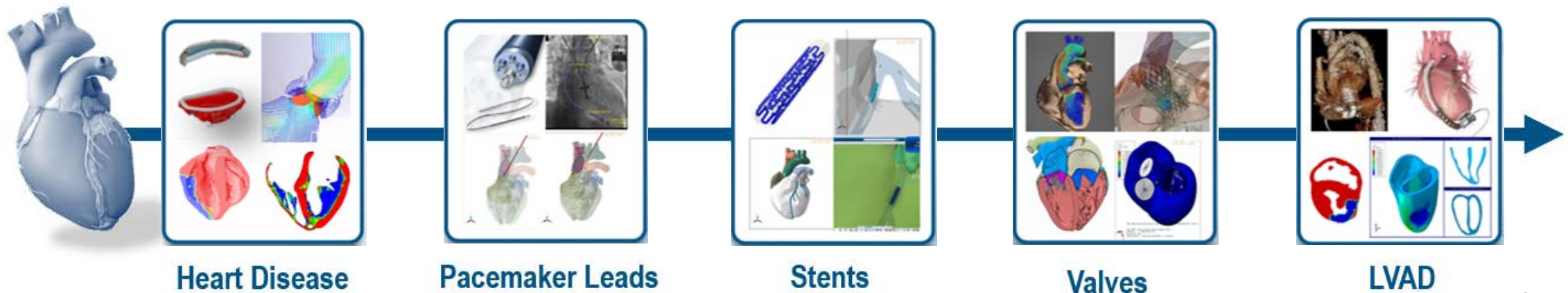
## *Implementing the Virtual Patient Model with Evidence from Simulations*

**NEW** collaboration with Dassault Systèmes to develop a digital platform to:

- Use physics-based models with statistical models to demonstrate *virtual patients* from simulation
- Demonstrate the “submission of the future”
  - Develop a platform to incorporate digital, clinical and real-world evidence which supports product-lifecycle-management and continuous improvement
  - Create a new “review experience”

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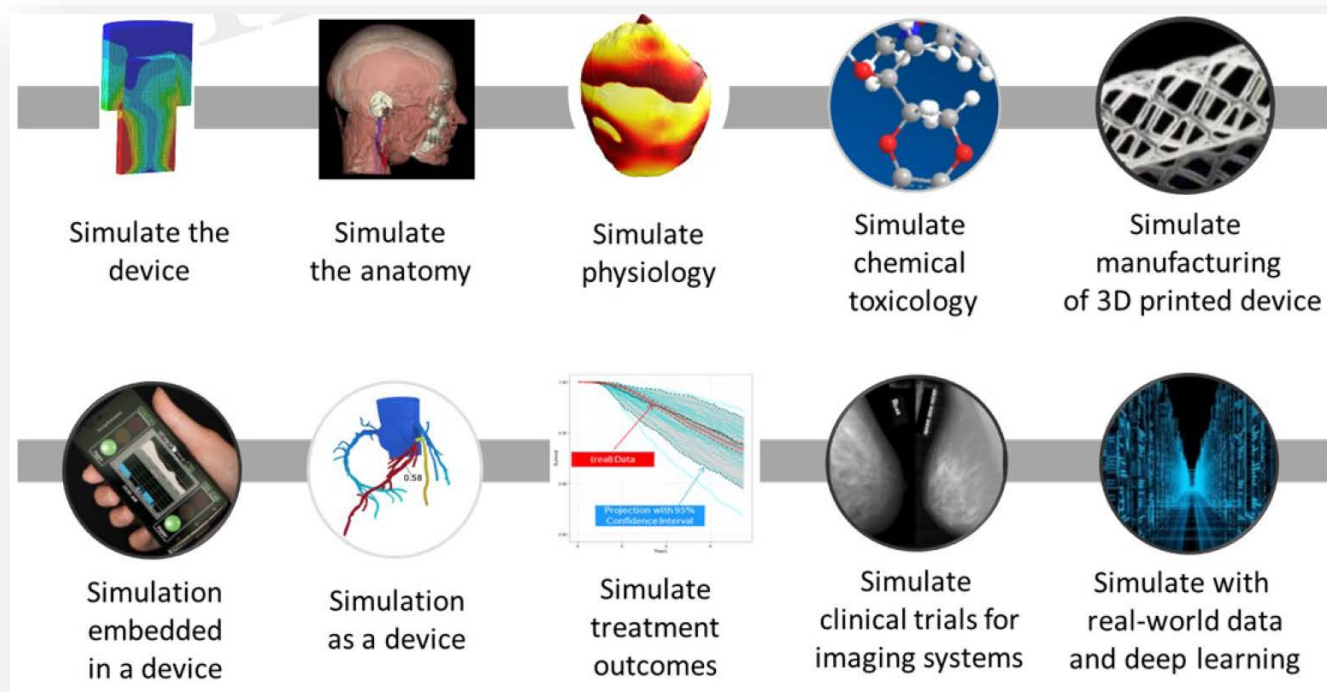


# Additional Recent Materials

- Slides and link to recording of FDA Grand Rounds – August 9, 2018
  - Success stories with modeling & simulation across FDA
  - Details on in silico clinical trials

<https://doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.7028450.v1>

- New manuscript on Simulation Opportunities for Medical Devices



Morrison et al., **Advancing Regulatory Science with Computational Modeling for Medical Devices at the FDA's Office of Science and Engineering Laboratories**, *Frontiers in Medicine*, in press, 2018

doi: 10.3389/fmed.2018.00241



# Summary

- **Context of Use** matters and it's important for navigating the complex regulatory landscape
- *In silico* acceptance at FDA has grown in the last 5 years
- There's more to do but we're excited about the upcoming projects and progress
- Stay tuned for a changing medical device ecosystem, one that harnesses sophisticated tools to transform the regulatory landscape.

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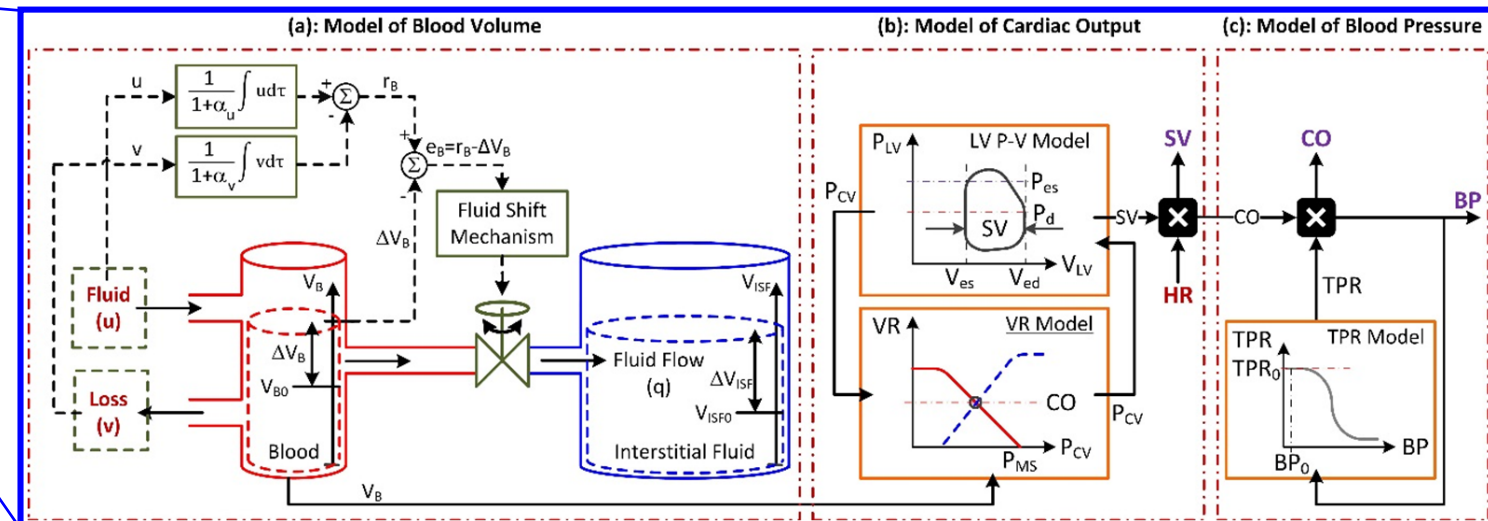
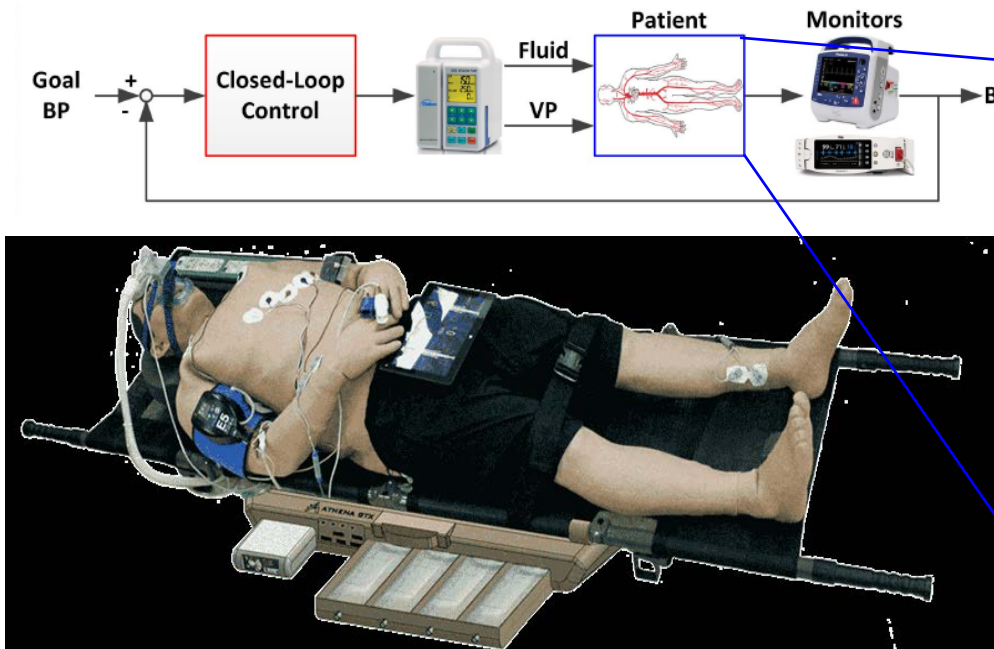
# Physiological Closed-loop Control (PCLC) Medical Devices



## Develop & Validate Computational Patient Model

- In silico methods for the design and evaluation of PCLC devices, a validated patient model for a specific context of use is needed.
  - Physiological, mechanistic-based model with ASME V&V40 approach
- Harness model-based engineering for *complete* in silico evaluation

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BV – blood volume, HR – Heart rate, CO – Cardiac output, LV – Left ventricle, SV – Stroke volume, BP – blood pressure