

## Modelling of Subcutaneous Injection & Bioavailability to Bridge IV/SubQ

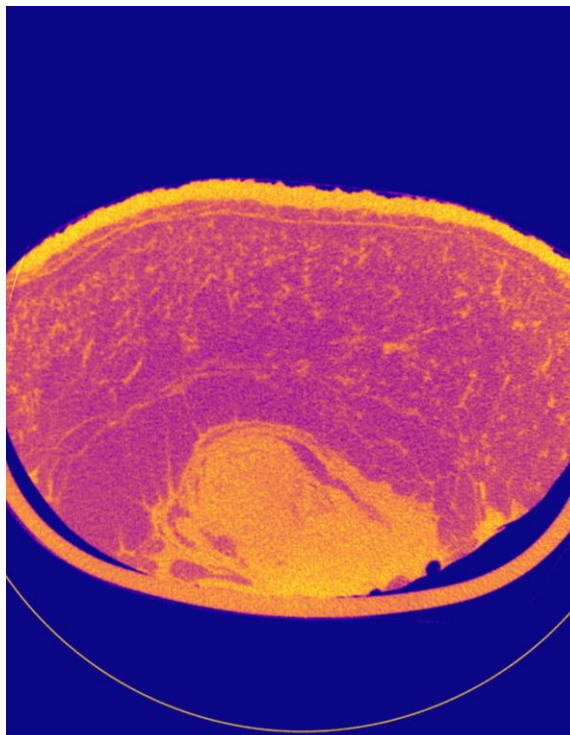
Crux Product Design



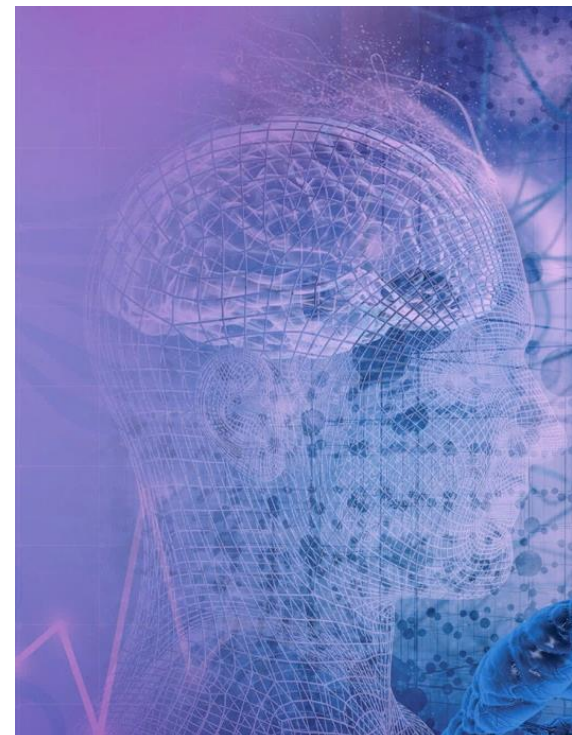
# Discussion topics



**CM&S for Med Devices**  
10 minutes



**Injection Modelling at Crux**  
5 minutes



**Questions & Answers**  
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# Digital Transformation

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The strategic adoption of digital technologies to improve **processes & productivity**, manage **business risk** and improve **customer service**

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Citrix, 2018

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## Digital Assets

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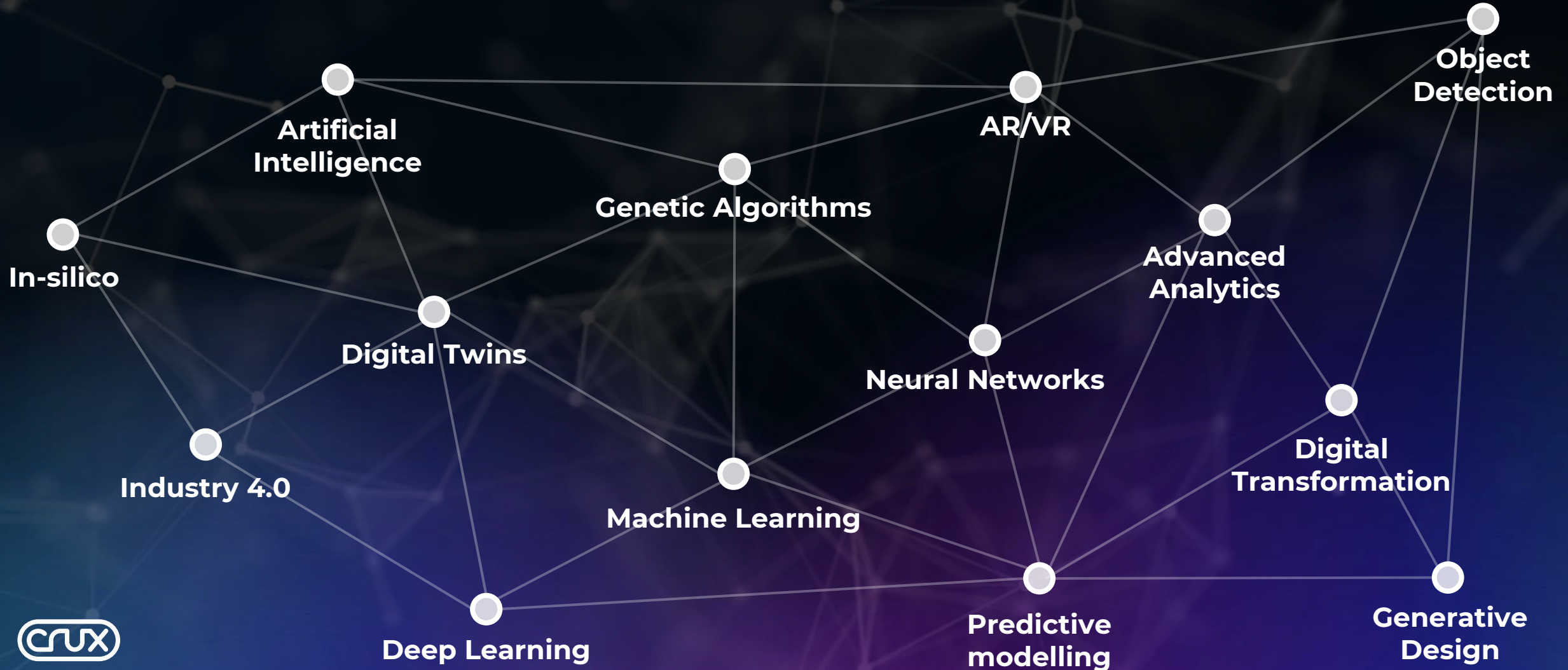
A digital asset is **anything** that is  
**stored digitally** and is **uniquely**  
**identifiable** that organizations can  
**use to realize value**

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Gartner, 2022

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# Digital Threads



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# Full device digital twin

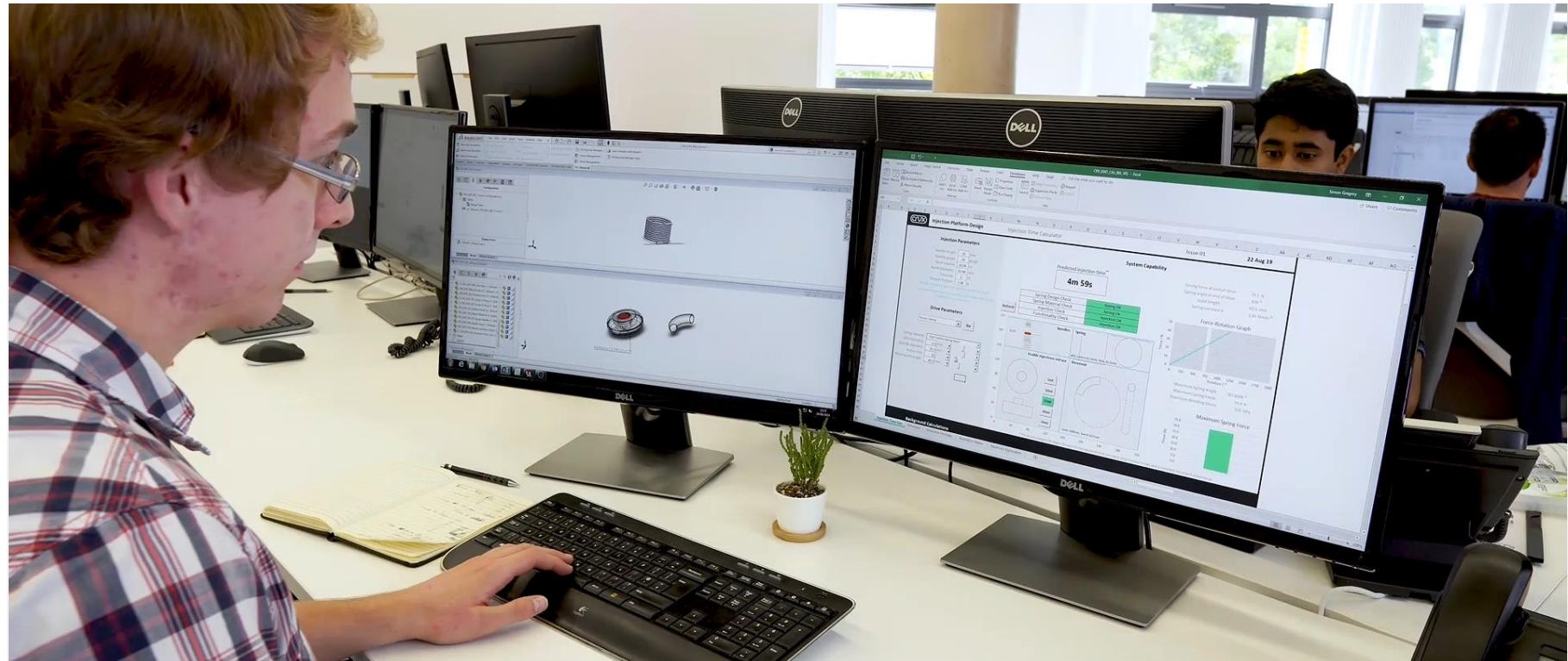
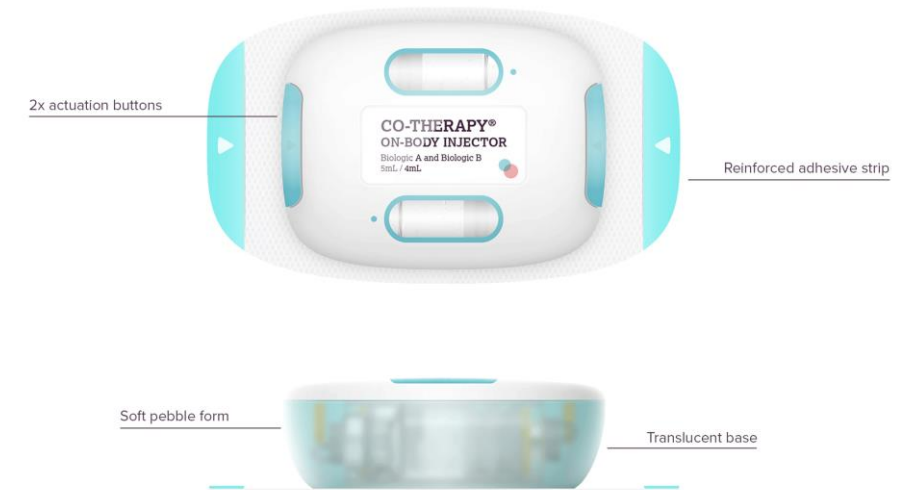
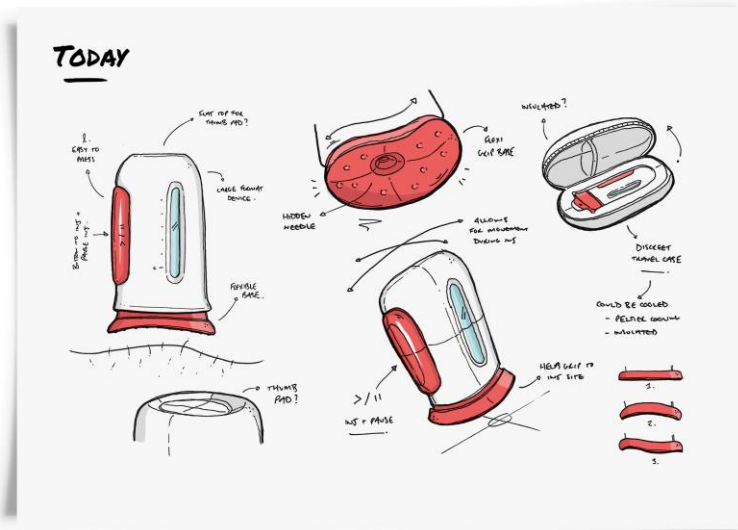
A **step** change in device development risk mitigation



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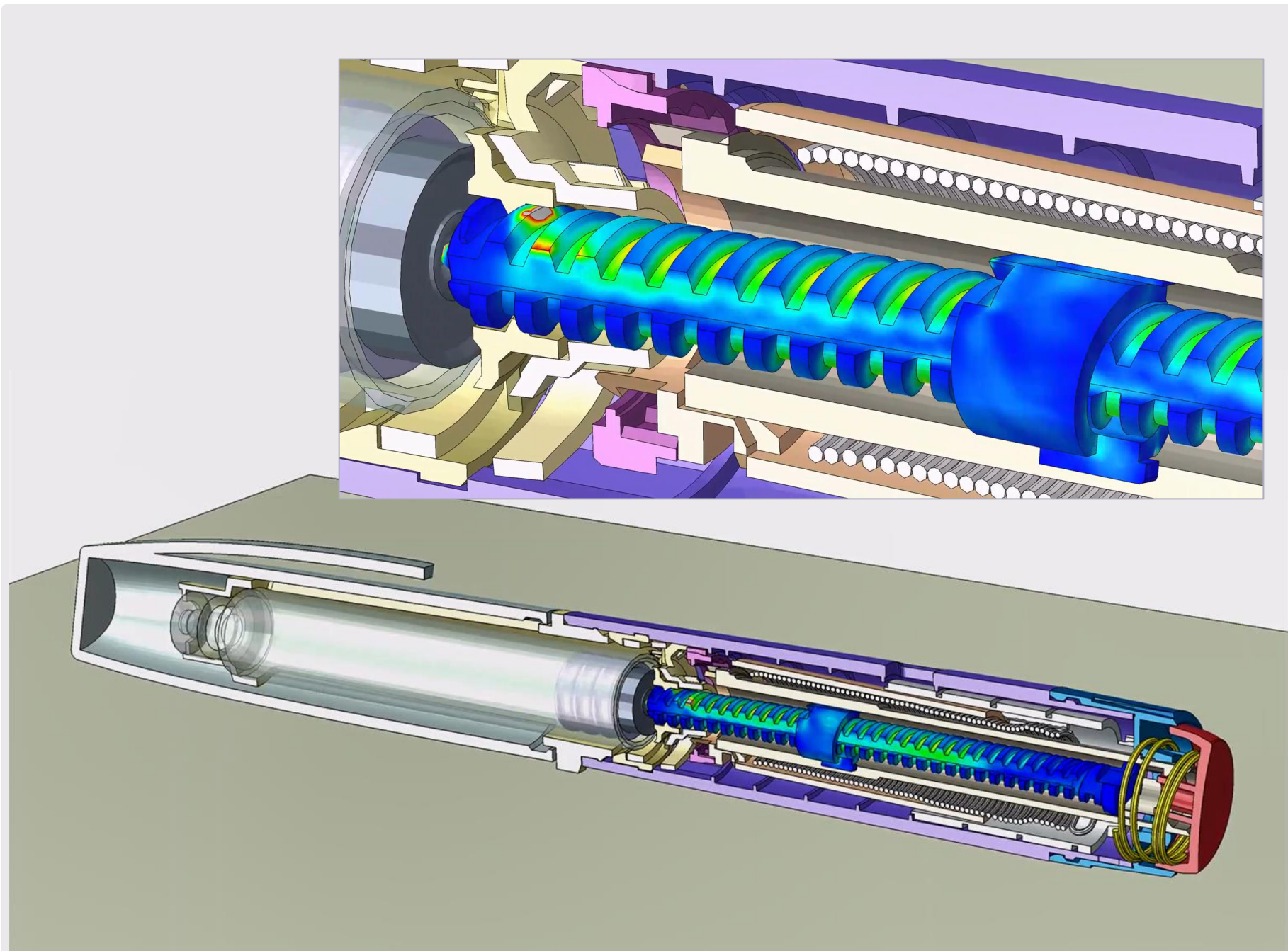
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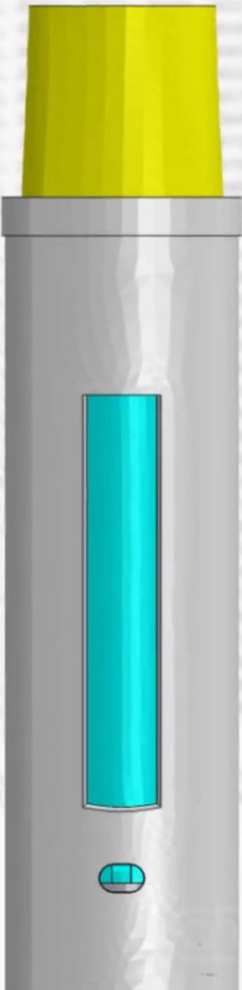
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100,000 Finite Elements  
600,000 Degree of Freedom Model  
Simulation runtime: 4 hours



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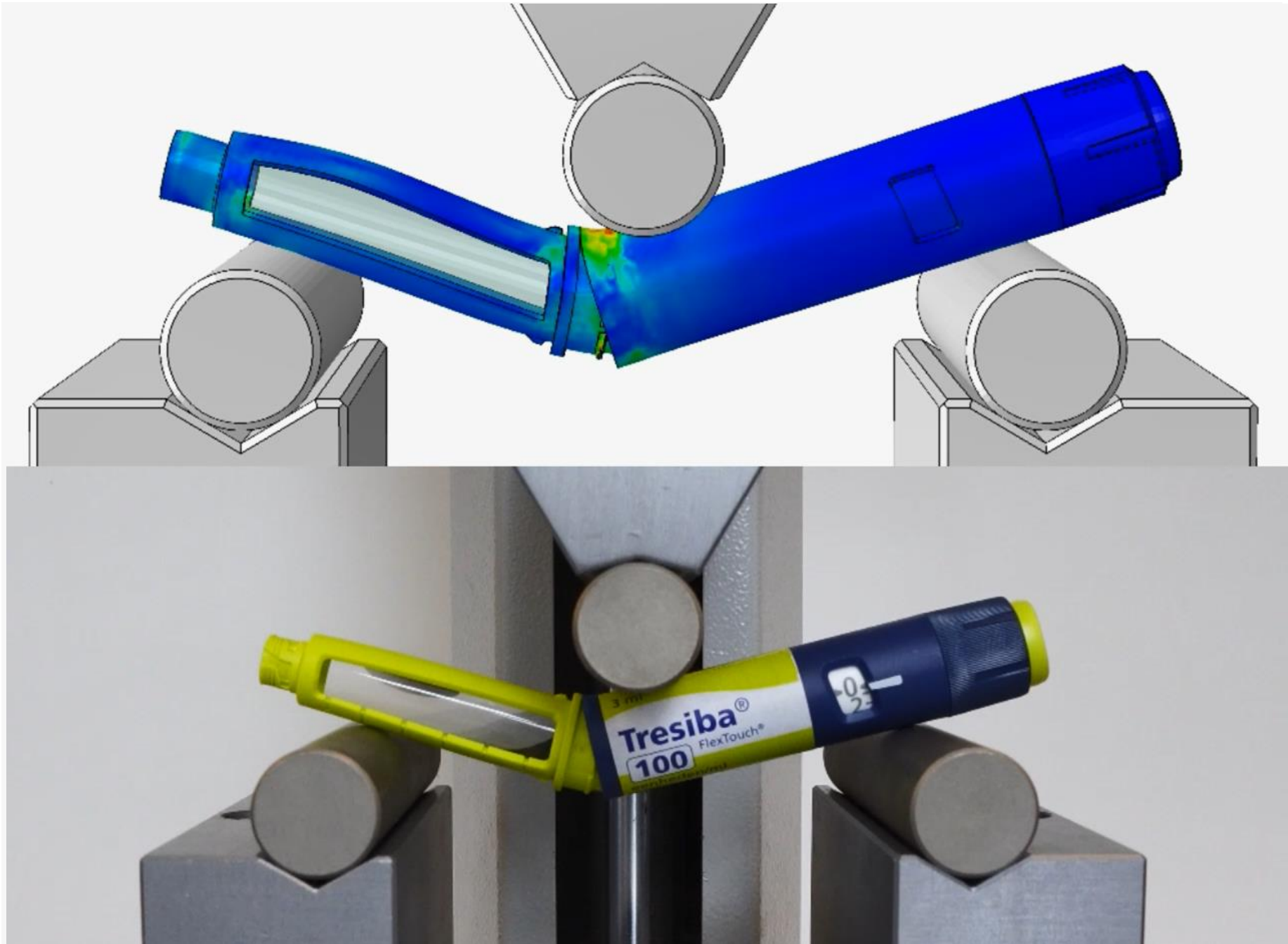




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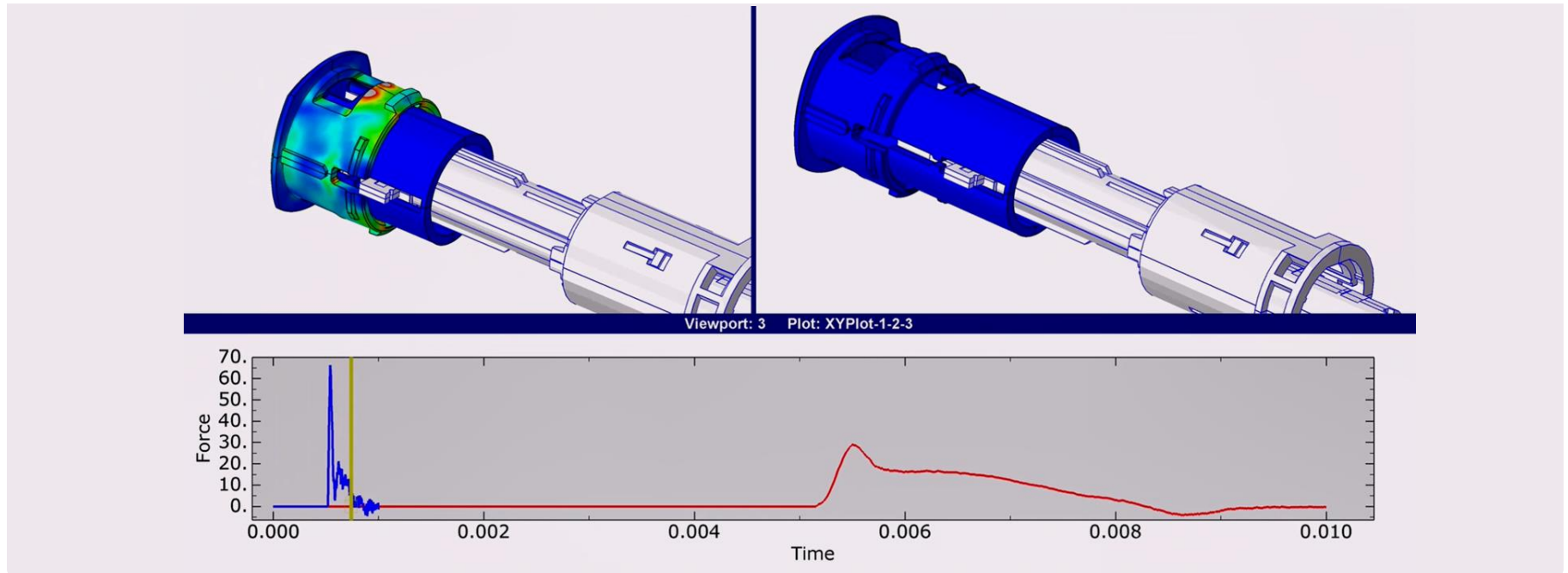
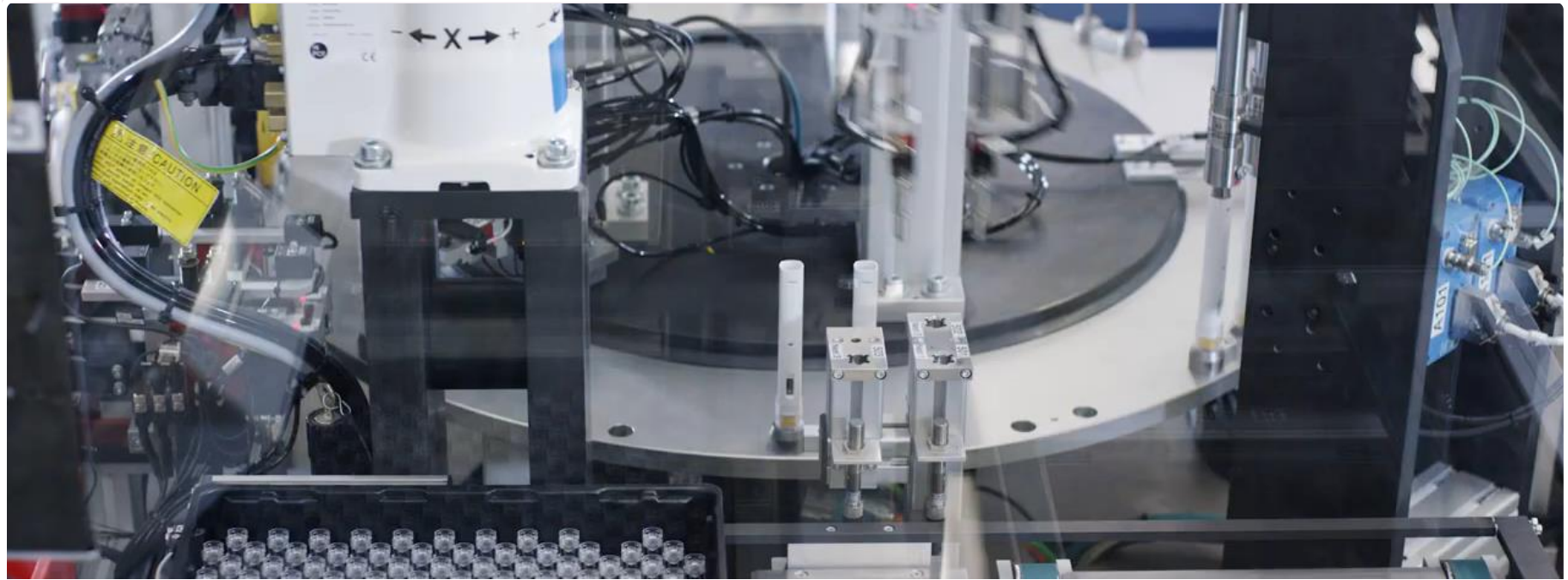
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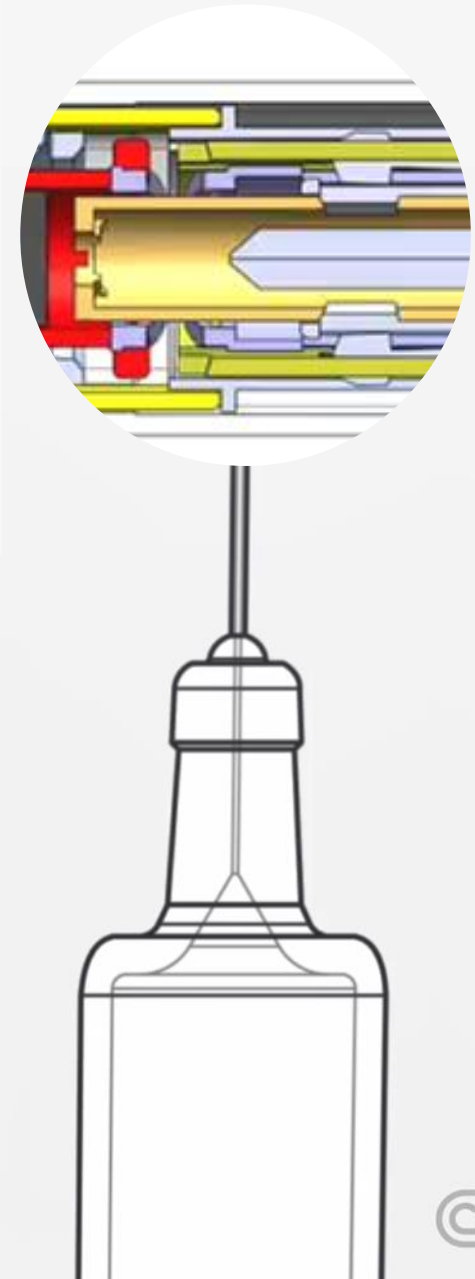
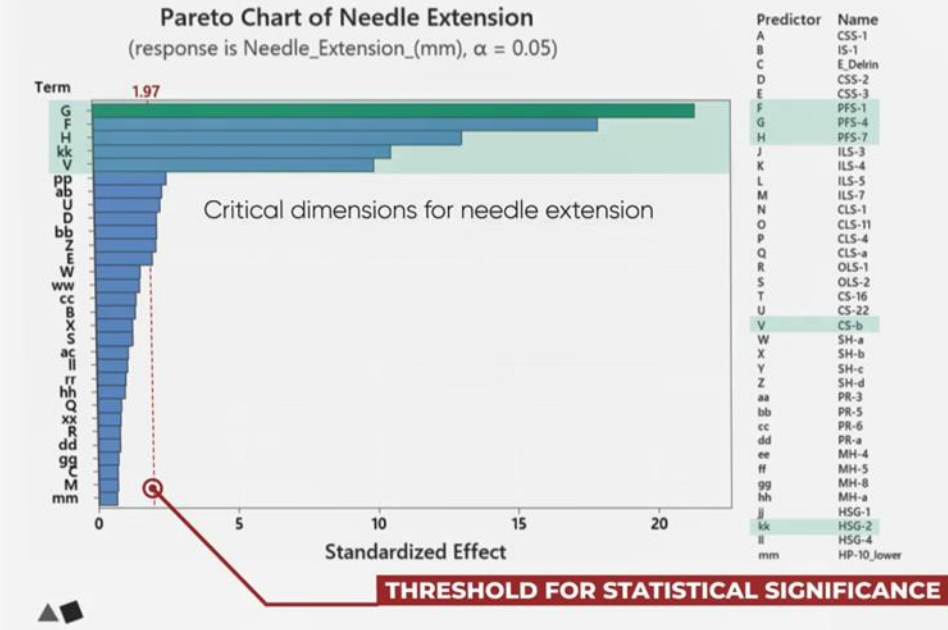
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**Can simulation replace EVT/DVT?**

**Can simulation become widely  
accepted as regulatory evidence?**

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Document	Section.Subsection	Description	Detail
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	<u>4</u>	<b>System Geometry</b>	
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	4.2	<b>Geometry assumptions &amp; simplif</b>	

*Contains Nonbinding Recommendations*

## Requests for Feedback and Meetings for Medical Device Submissions: The Q-Submission Program

## Guidance for Industry and Food and Drug Administration Staff

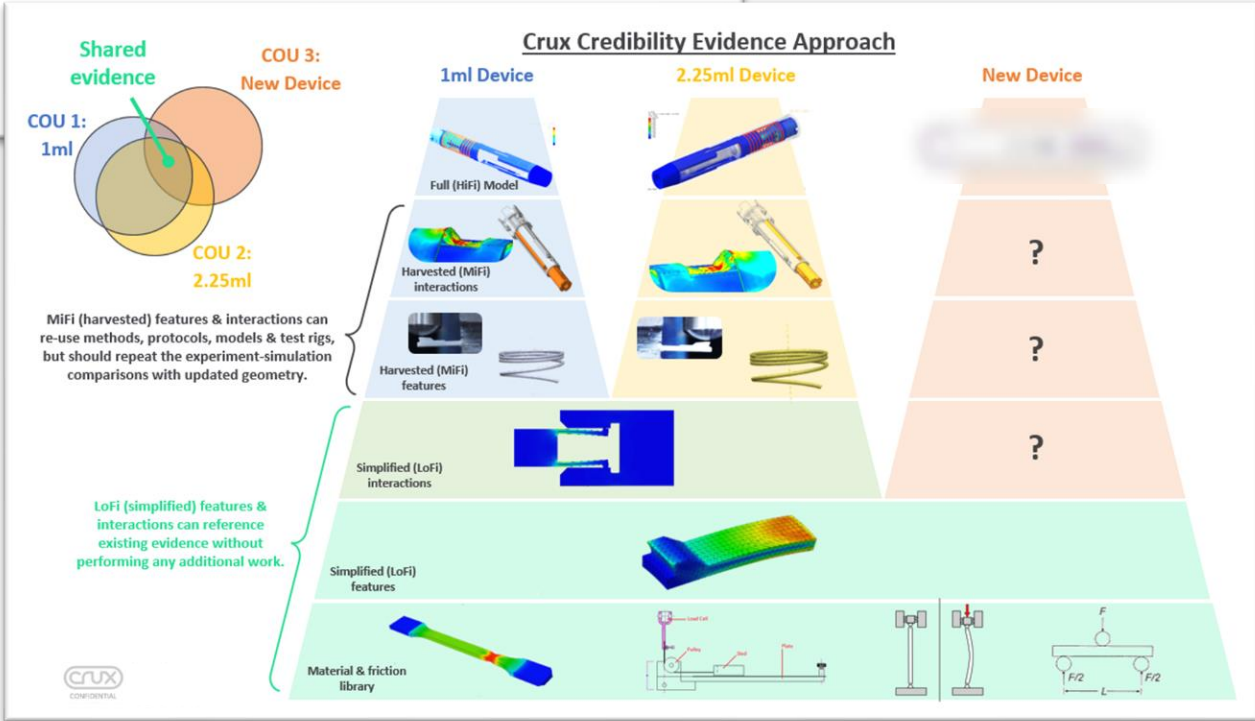
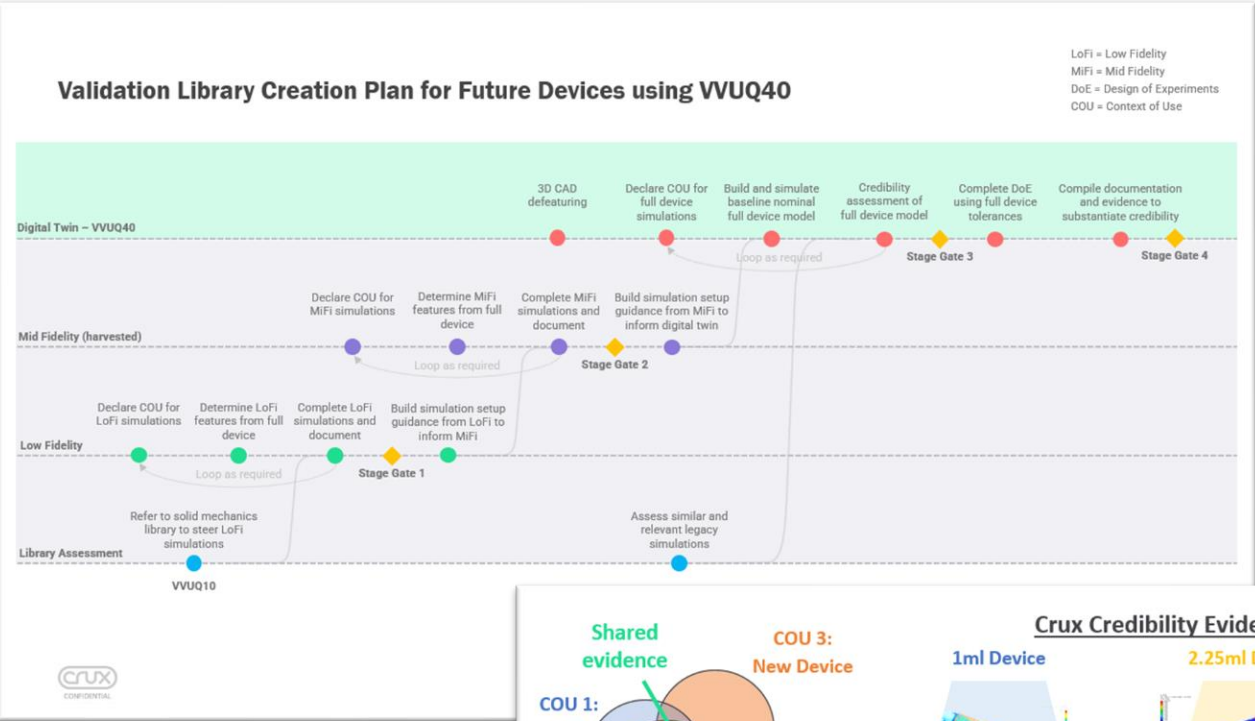
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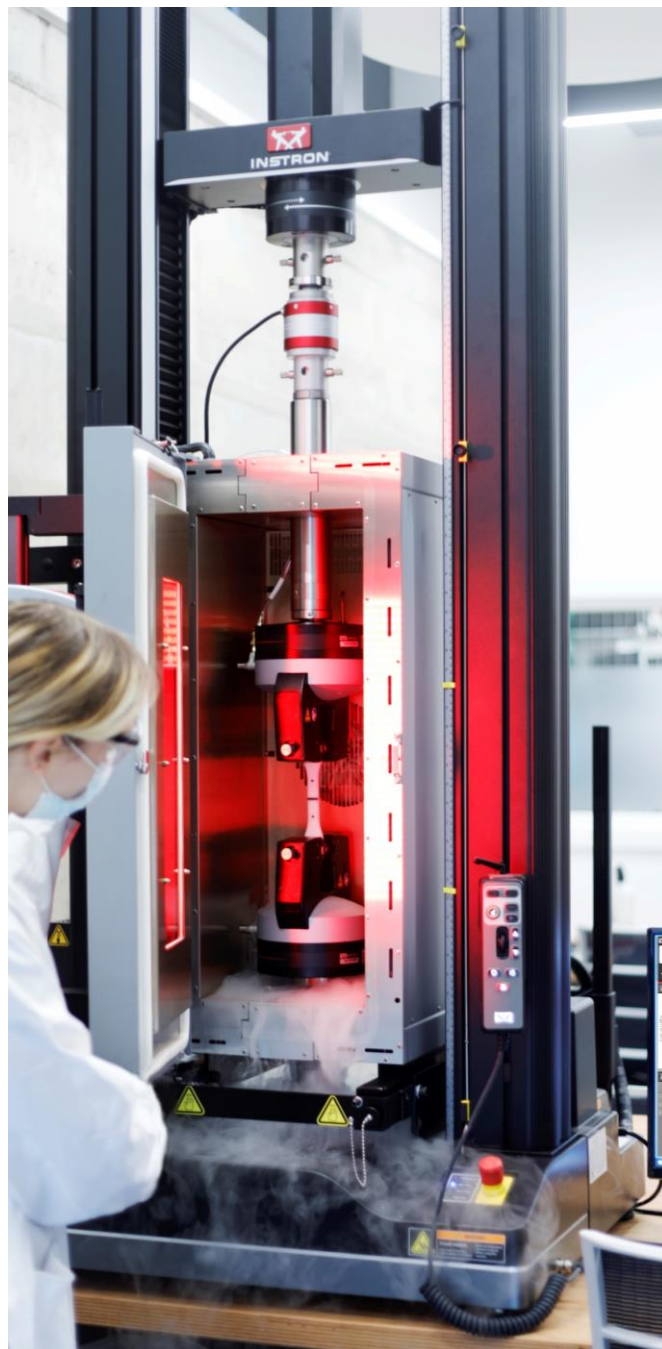
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# Full device digital twin



## De-risk early

Simulation provides rapid risk assessments at all stages.



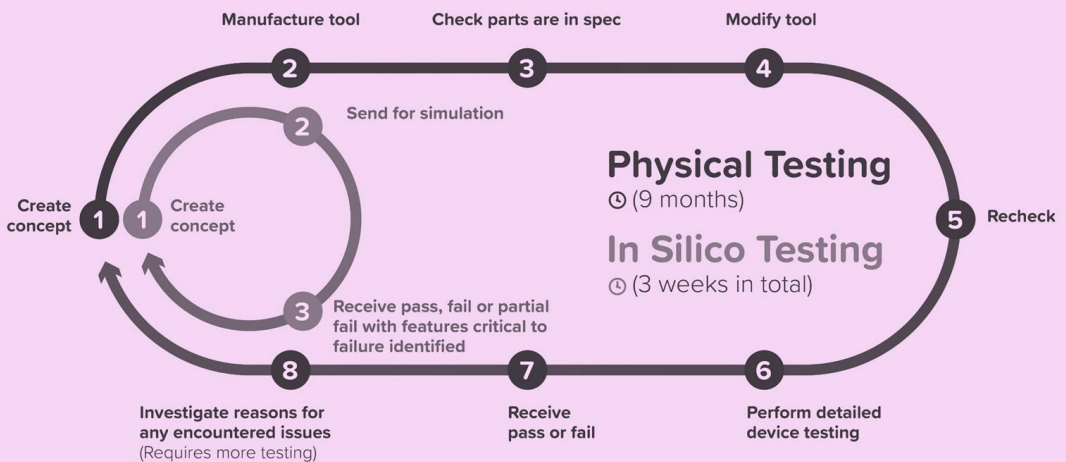
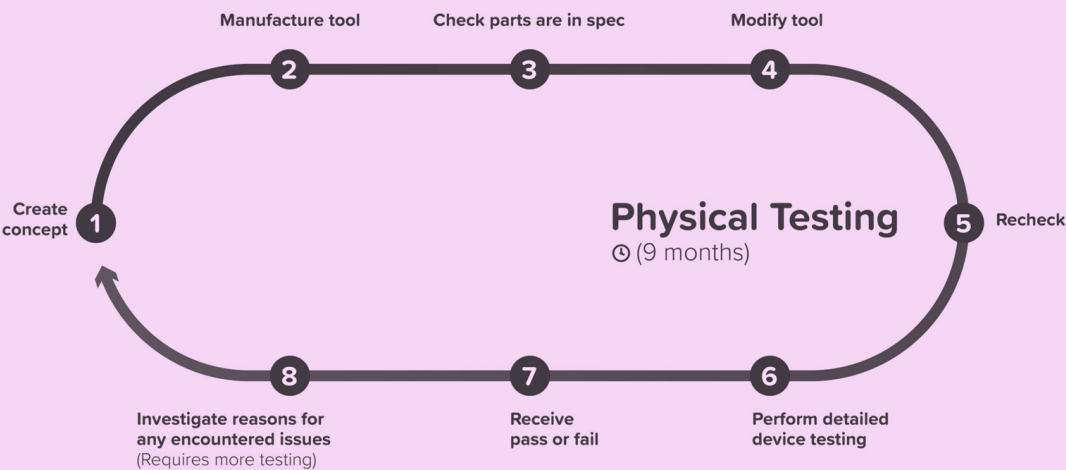
## Digital evidence

An understanding of how to generate and submit digital evidence is now within reach.



## Reduce time to market

Massive time saving available on iterations aiding a 'right first time' approach.



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# Injection Modelling at Crux

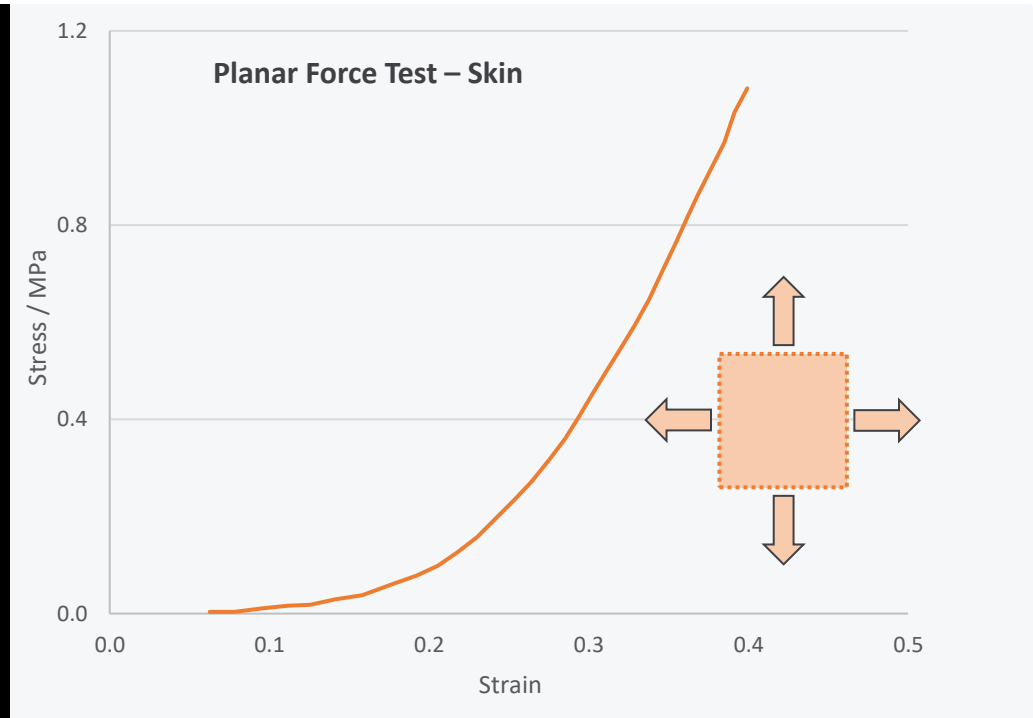
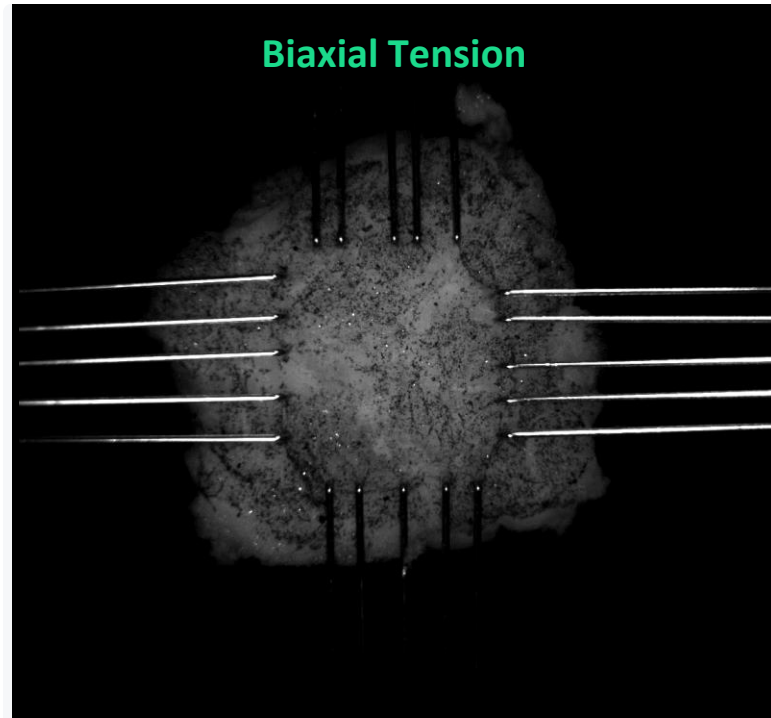
A **leap** towards drug-device-tissue interaction understanding



# A leap towards drug-device-tissue interaction understanding

Crux have built a library of biological tissue models using minipig tissue samples, ambition to augment clinical trials in future.

## DIGITAL ANIMALS FOR SIMULATION

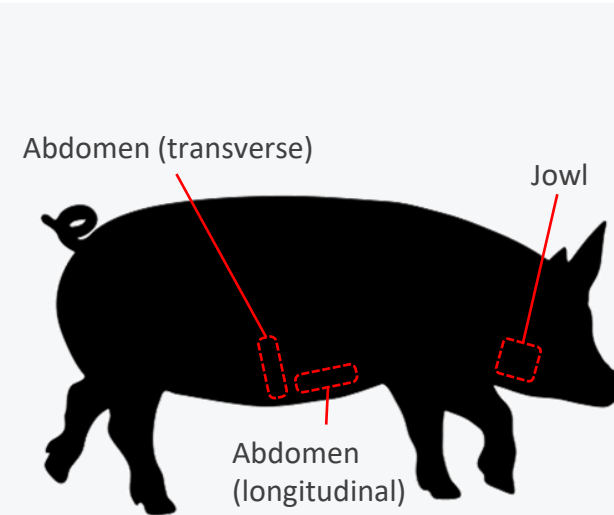


adipose tissue

Abdomen (transverse)

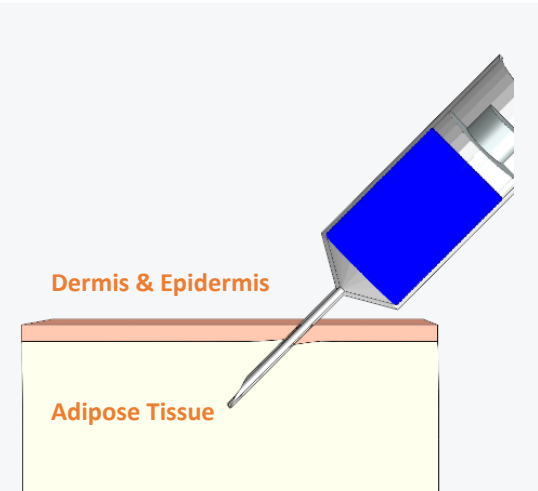
Jowl

Abdomen (longitudinal)



Dermis & Epidermis

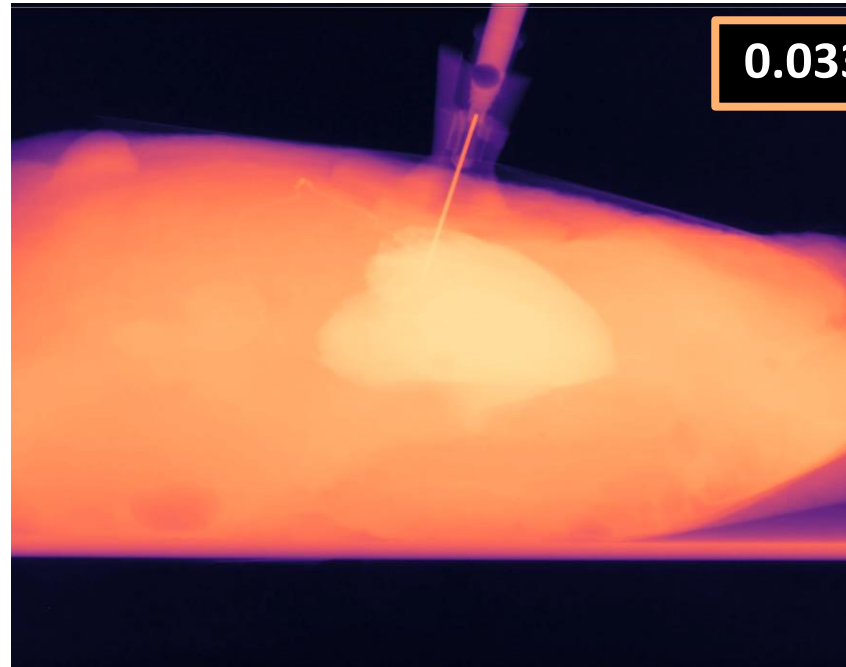
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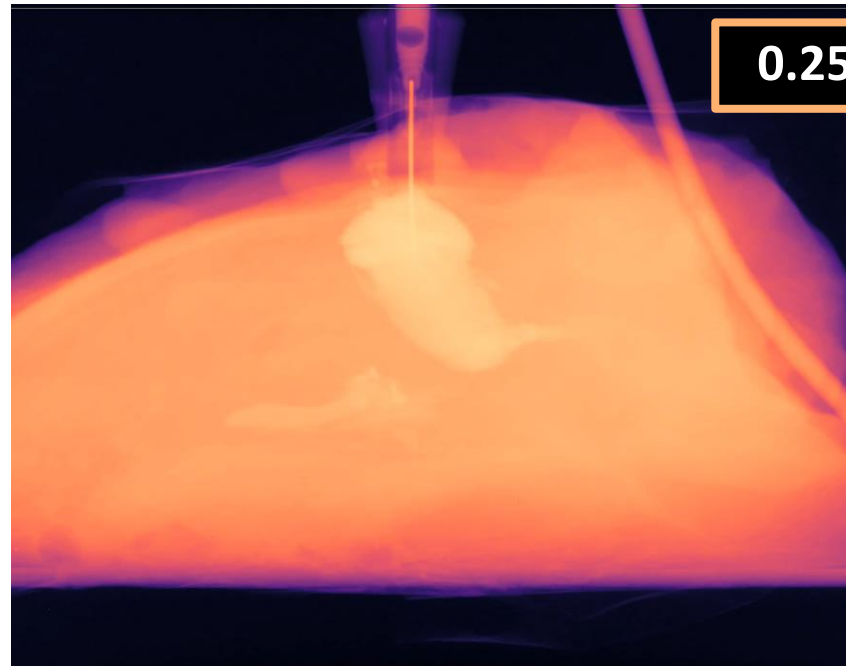
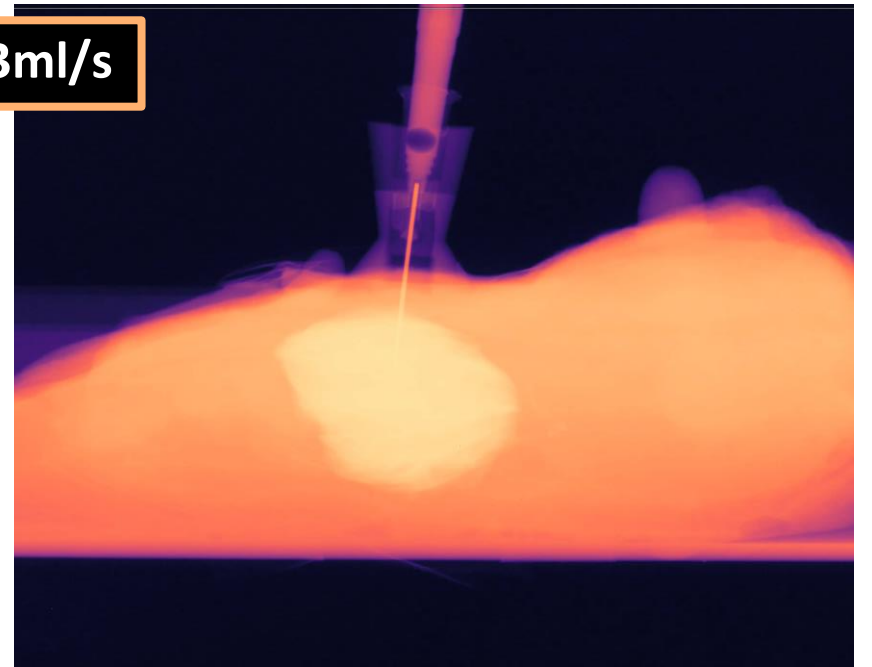
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Dynamic CT scans of 10ml injections (5mins and 40secs), faster injection rates show more variability – risk of tissue damage, pain and intramuscular delivery may be higher.

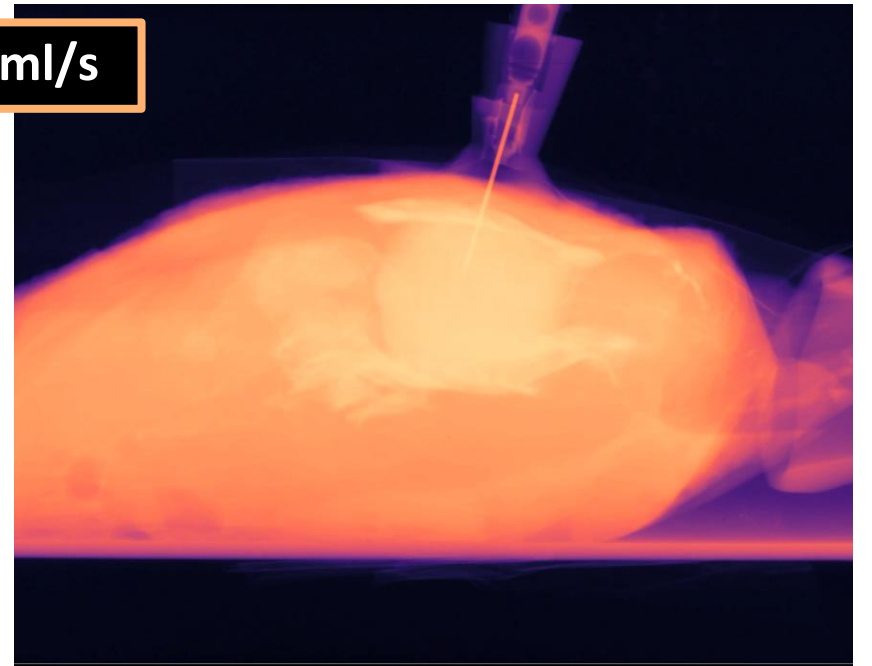
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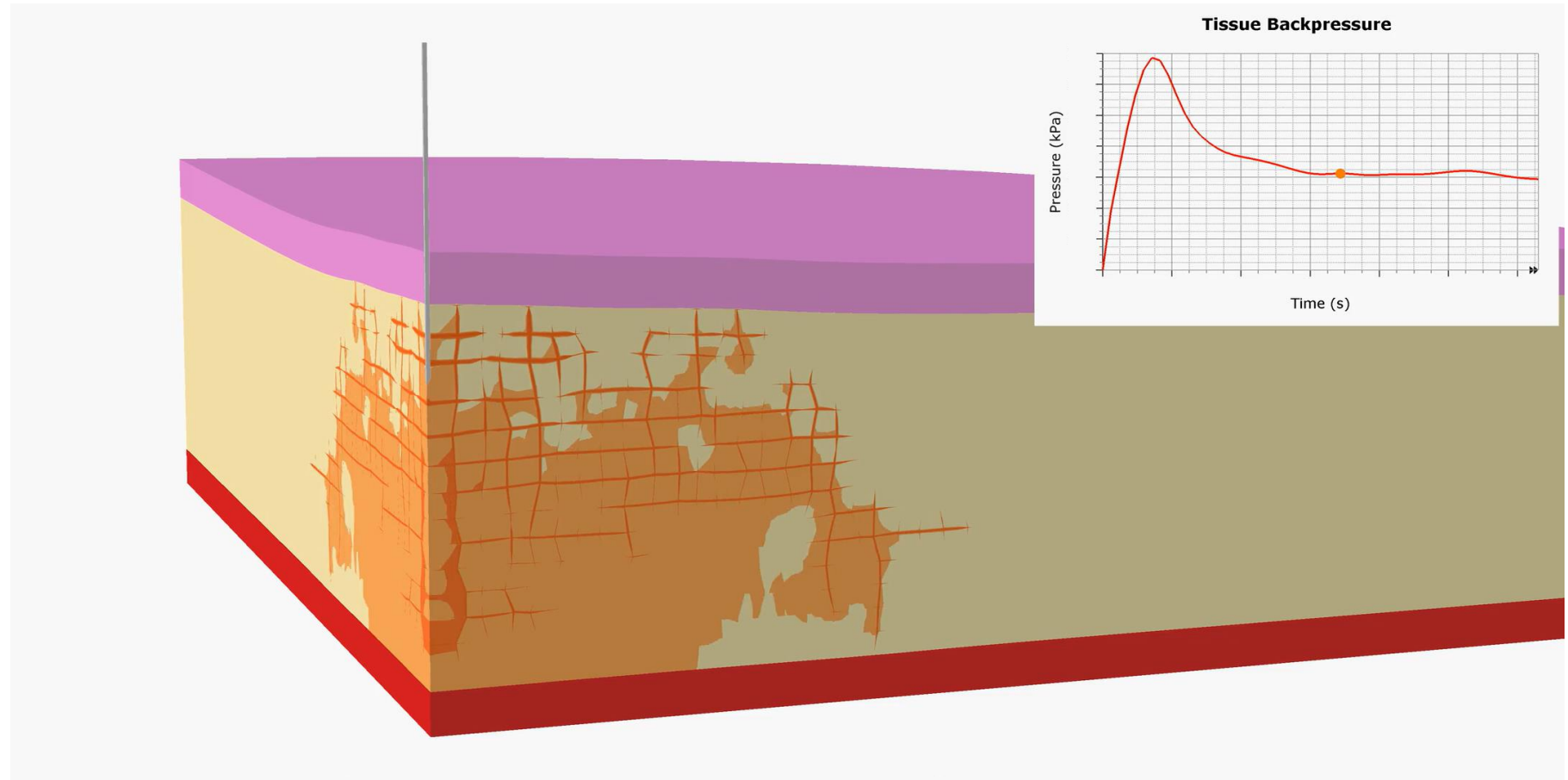
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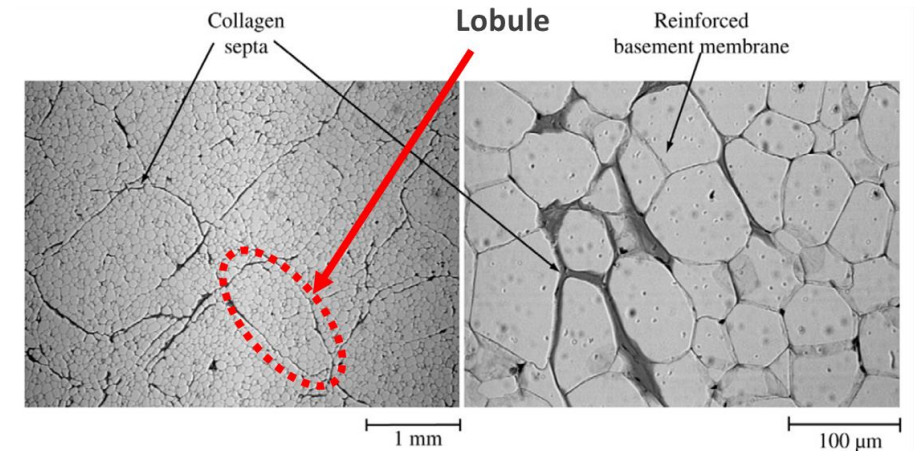
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Technique translated from fracking simulation technology; uniform tissue stretch applied.

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Maria Thomsen, Subcutaneous injections: Visualising and optimising device-tissue interactions, PhD thesis, 2015

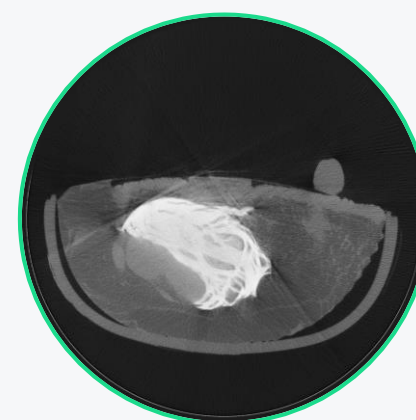
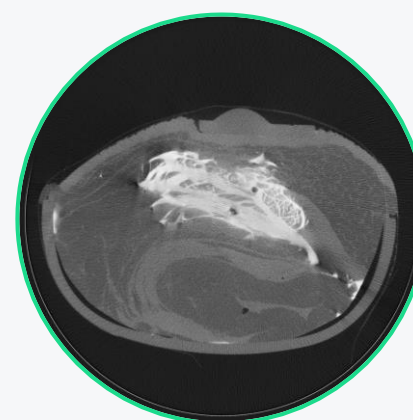
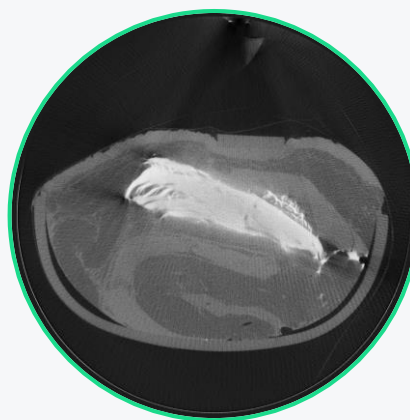
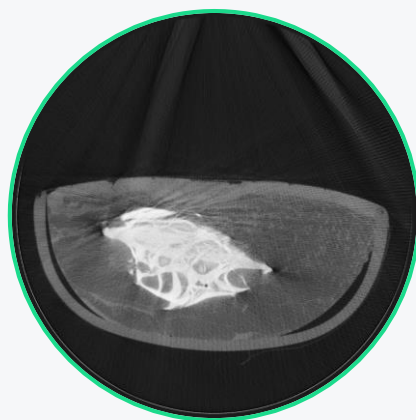
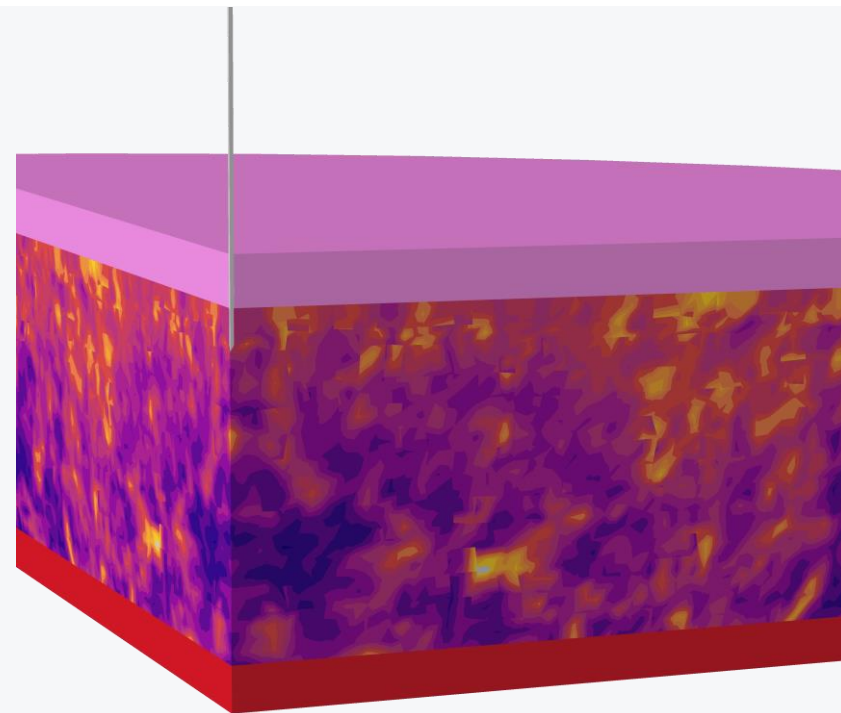
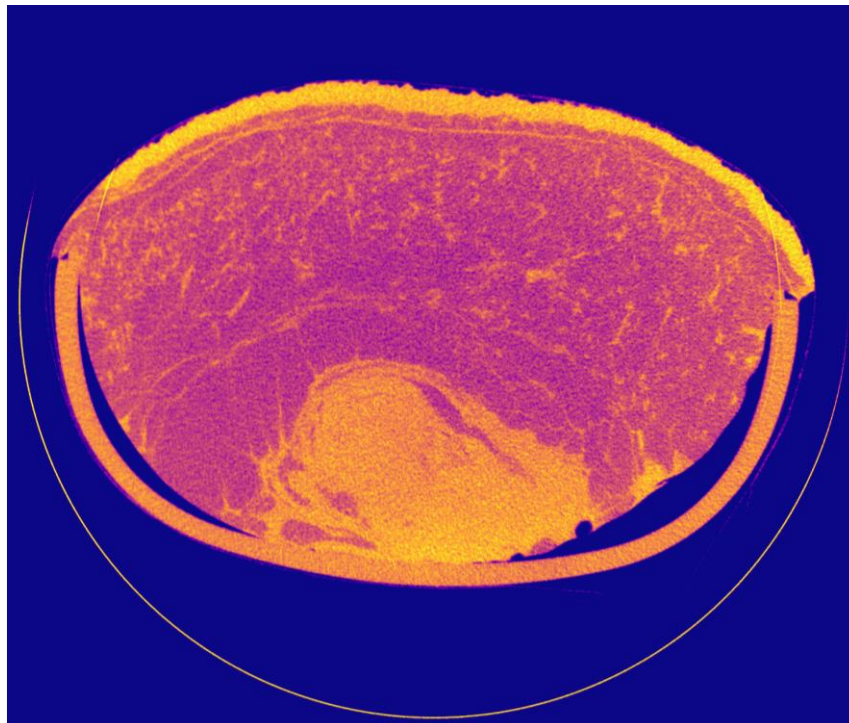


Comley & Fleck, Deep penetration and liquid injection into adipose tissue, 2011

# A leap towards drug-device-tissue interaction understanding

Biological tissue density variability can be extracted from CT scans and has a significant impact on drug dispersion; this can be mapped into the model to simulate variable material properties.

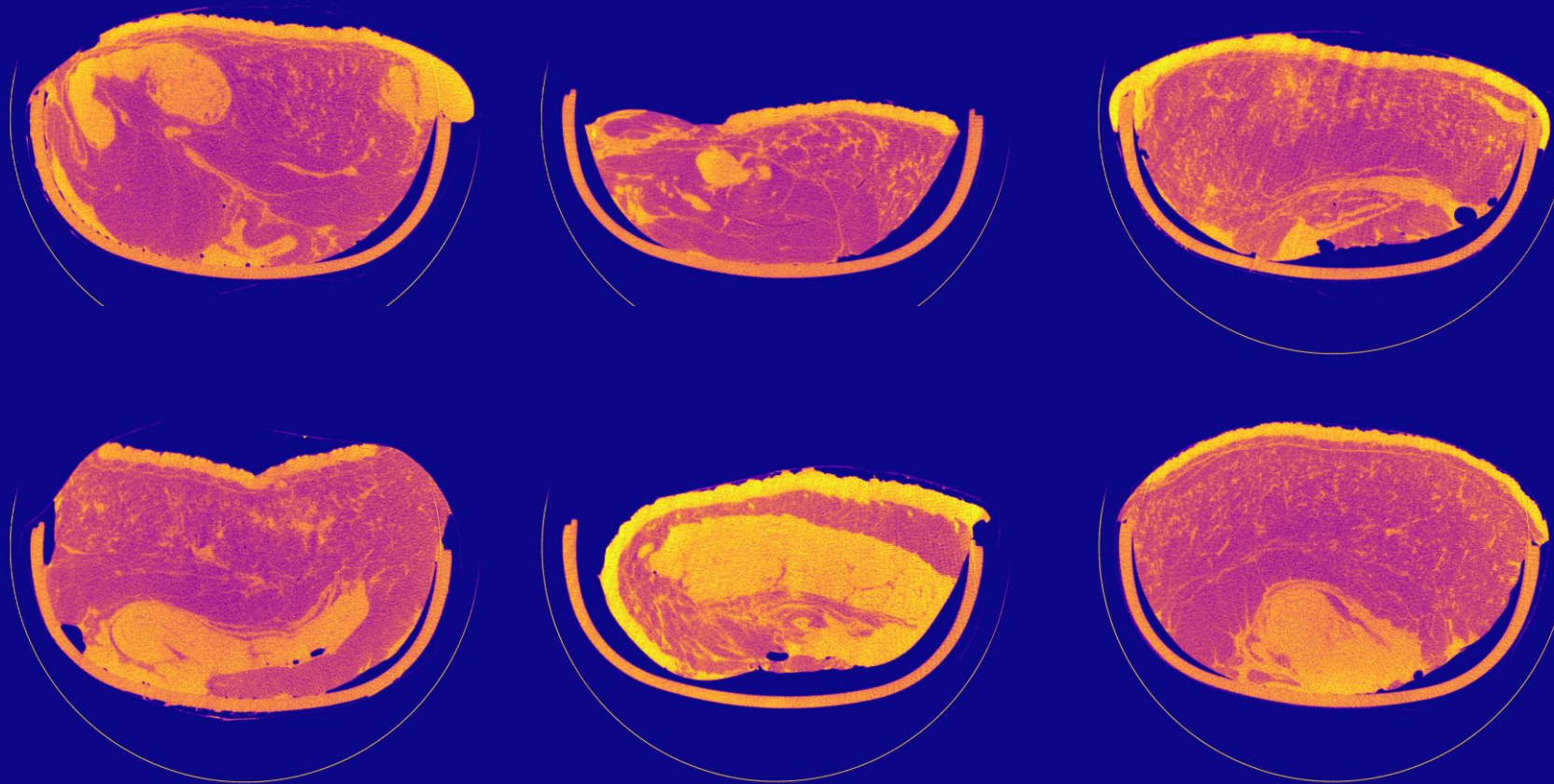
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Biological variation is prolific across samples even for similar injection sites.

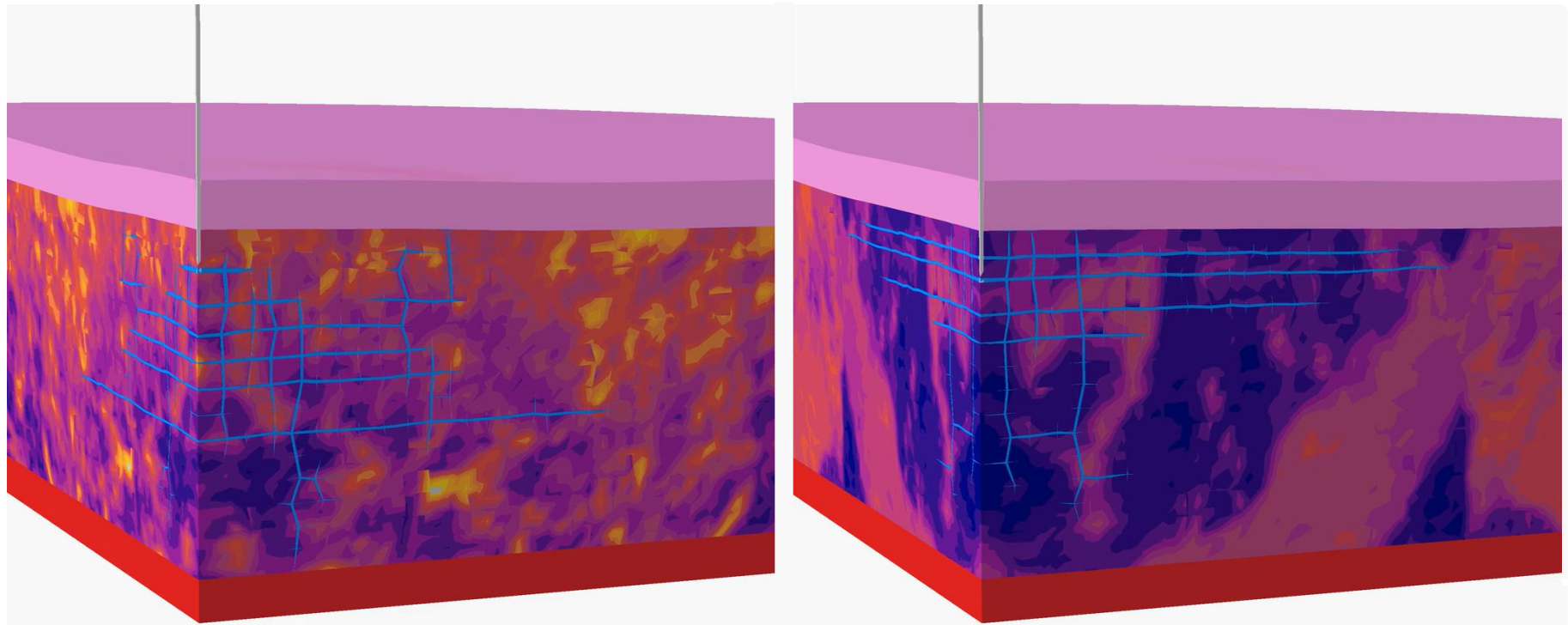
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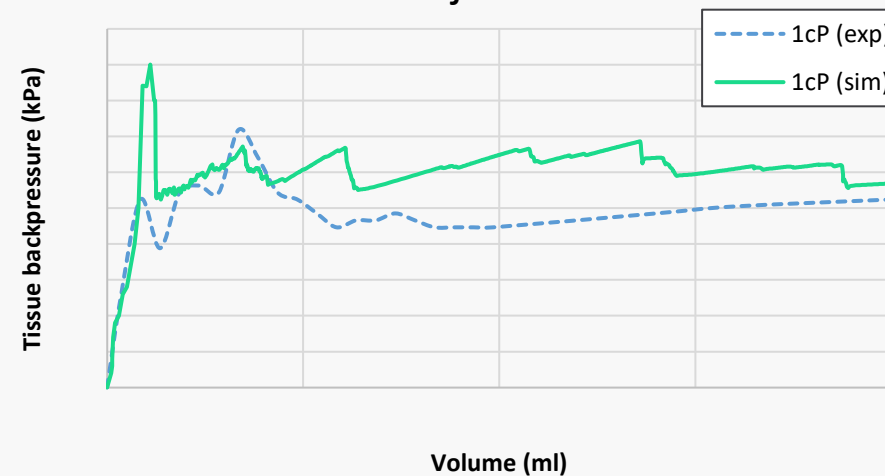
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Crux virtual minipig injection model already operation as a technical capability.

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## Trial Injection



Data from K. Comley, N. Fleck, Deep penetration and liquid injection into adipose tissue

# Future digital threads



## **Sustainable engineering approaches**

Re-using experimental and simulation databases for rapid future decision making.



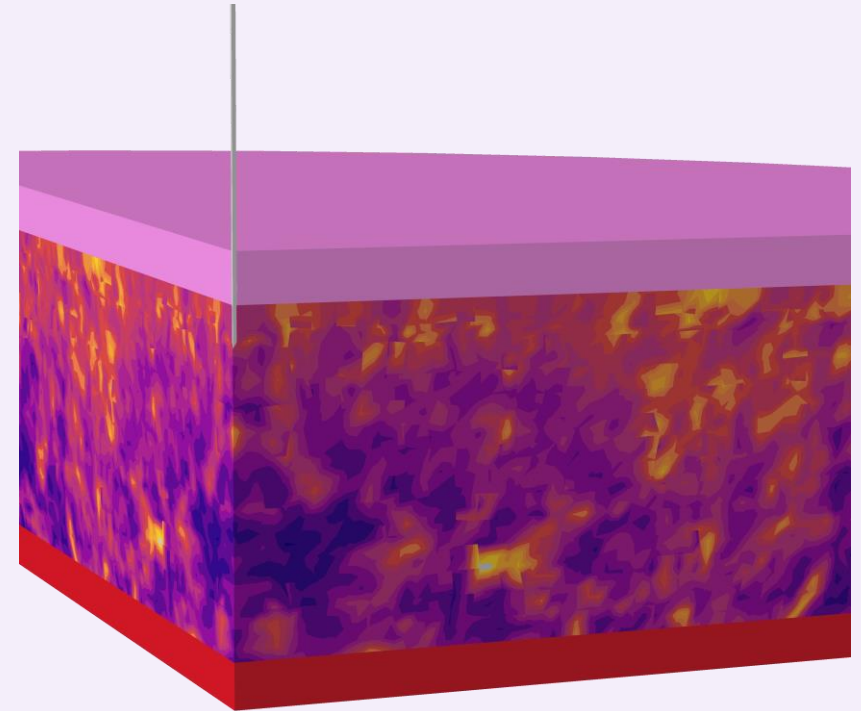
## **Digitising tissues is here**

Mechanical characterisation of animal tissue and inclusion in simulation is now available.



## **Future injection technologies**

Simulation capabilities are now accessible to do early risk assessments on next-gen injection tech.



# What can we develop together?



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