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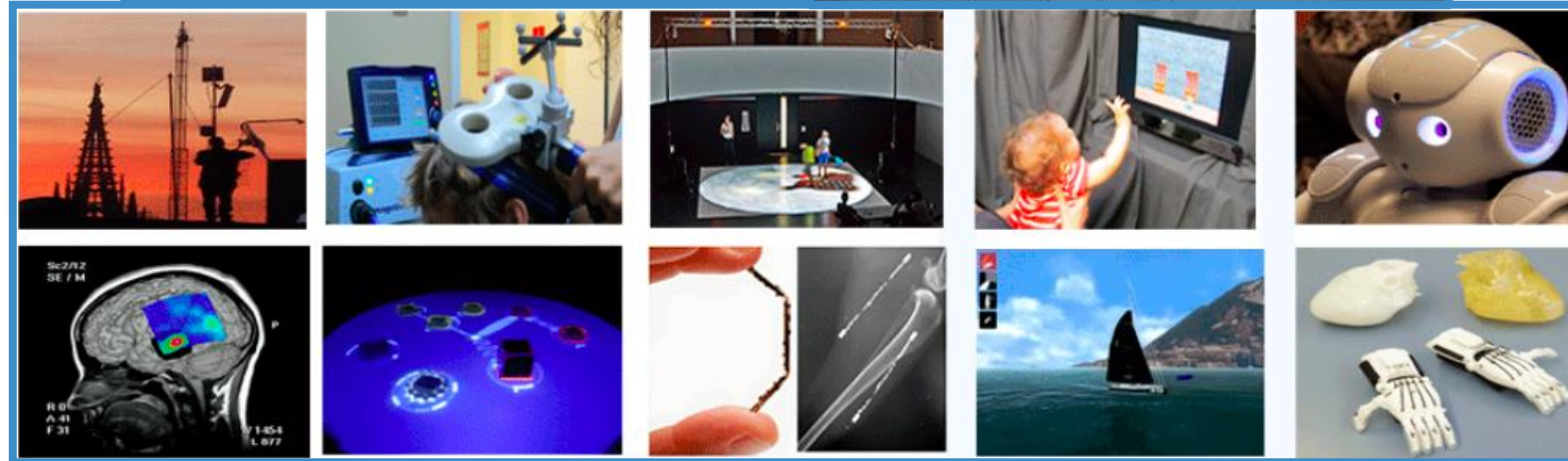




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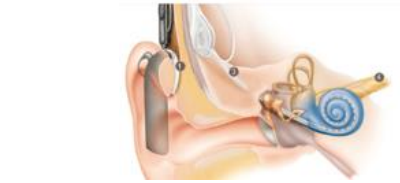
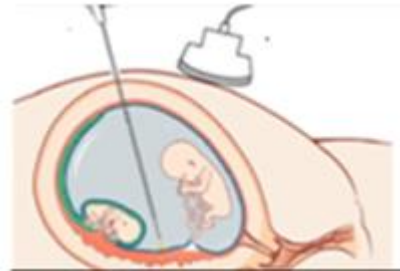


# Barcelona Center for New Medical Technologies



**Interdisciplinary** and **translational** platform for research in **biomedical engineering**

Work closely with industrial & clinical partners to **transfer to clinical practice**



Medical Image Analysis

Biomechanics and Mechanobiology

Physiological Modelling

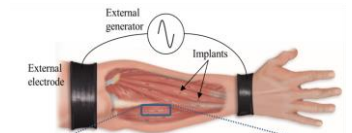
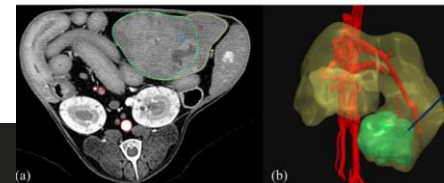
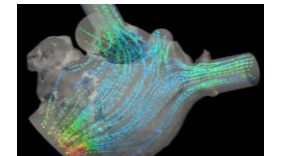
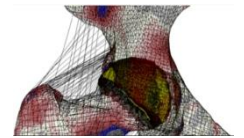
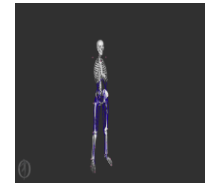
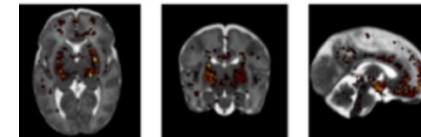
Biomedical Signal Processing

Biomedical Electronics

VR/AR and visual analytics

Computer Assisted Surgery

Clinical Translation



Xarxa RDI-IA



# Transferring technology into real-world applications



Some examples:

- ✓ **VIDAA**: Virtual Platform for Implantation Devices for the Left Atrial Appendage
- ✓ **FORESEE**: Intravascular Microsensing for Remote Monitoring of Heart Failure Patients
- ✓ **LiverColor**: an AI tool to Quantify Hepatic Steatosis



# Virtual Platform for Implantation Devices for the Left Atrial Appendage

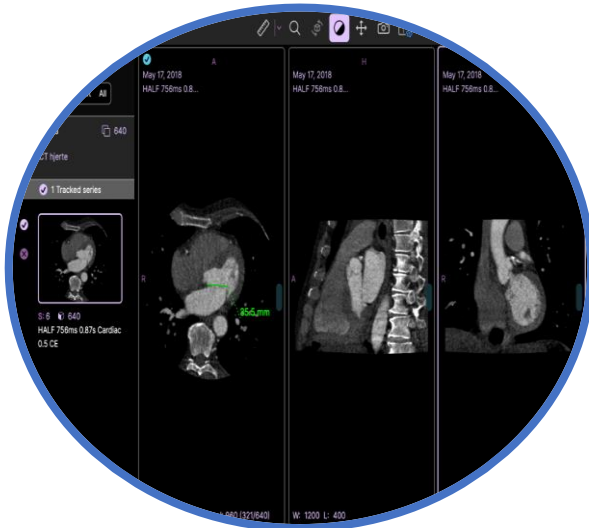
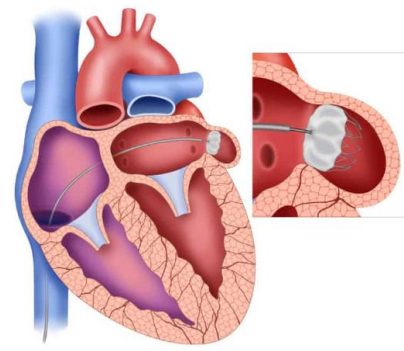
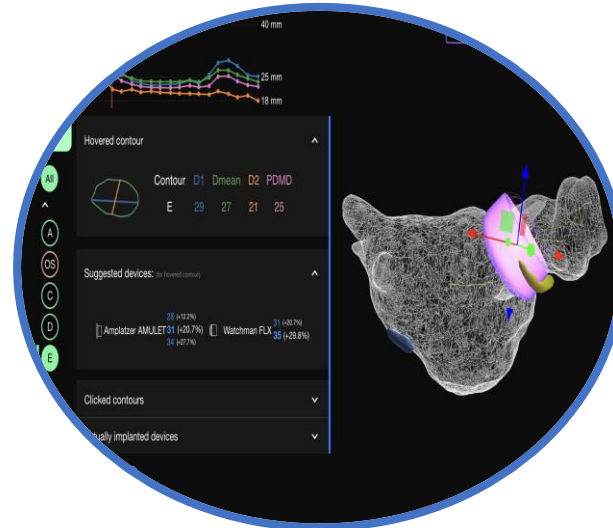
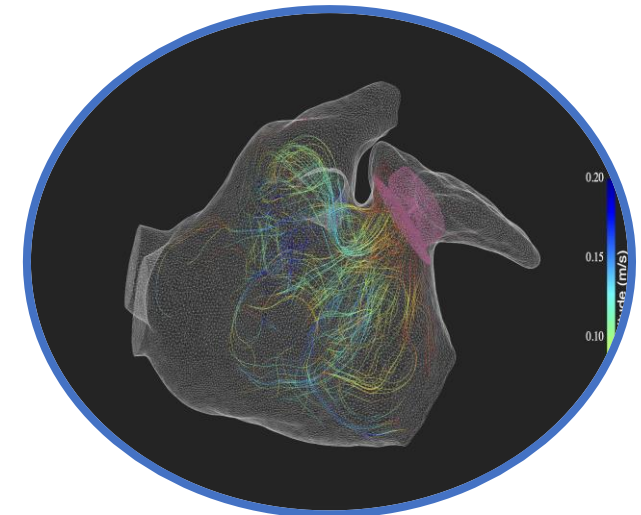


Image analysis



Device deployment



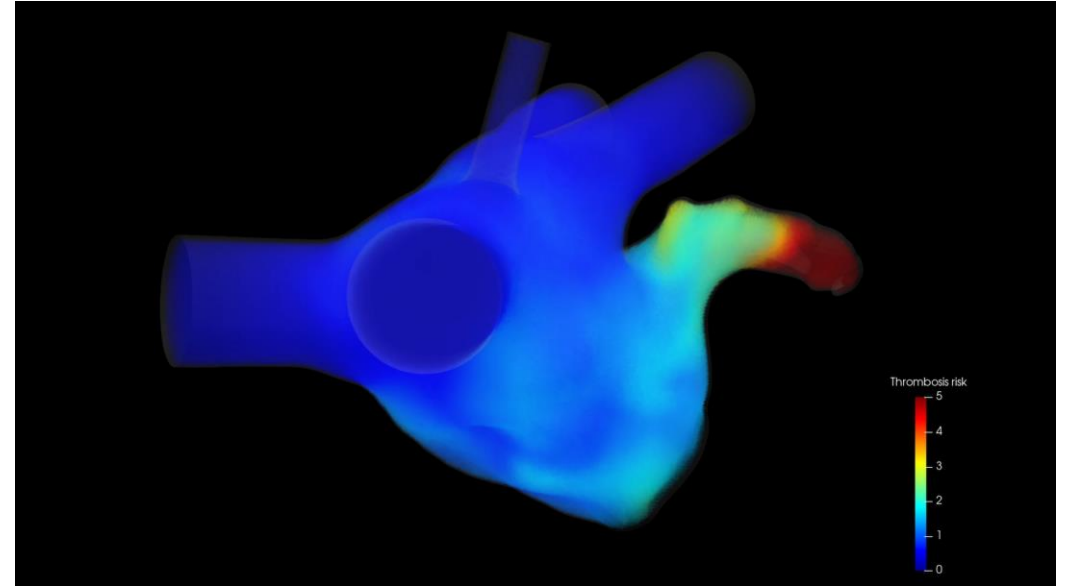
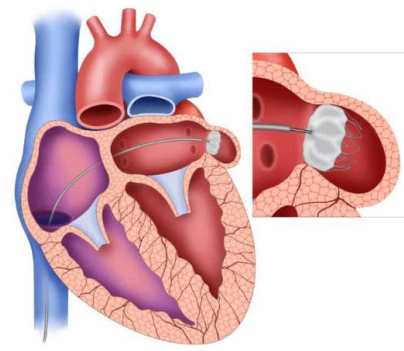
Advanced flow simulations

Oscar Cámara





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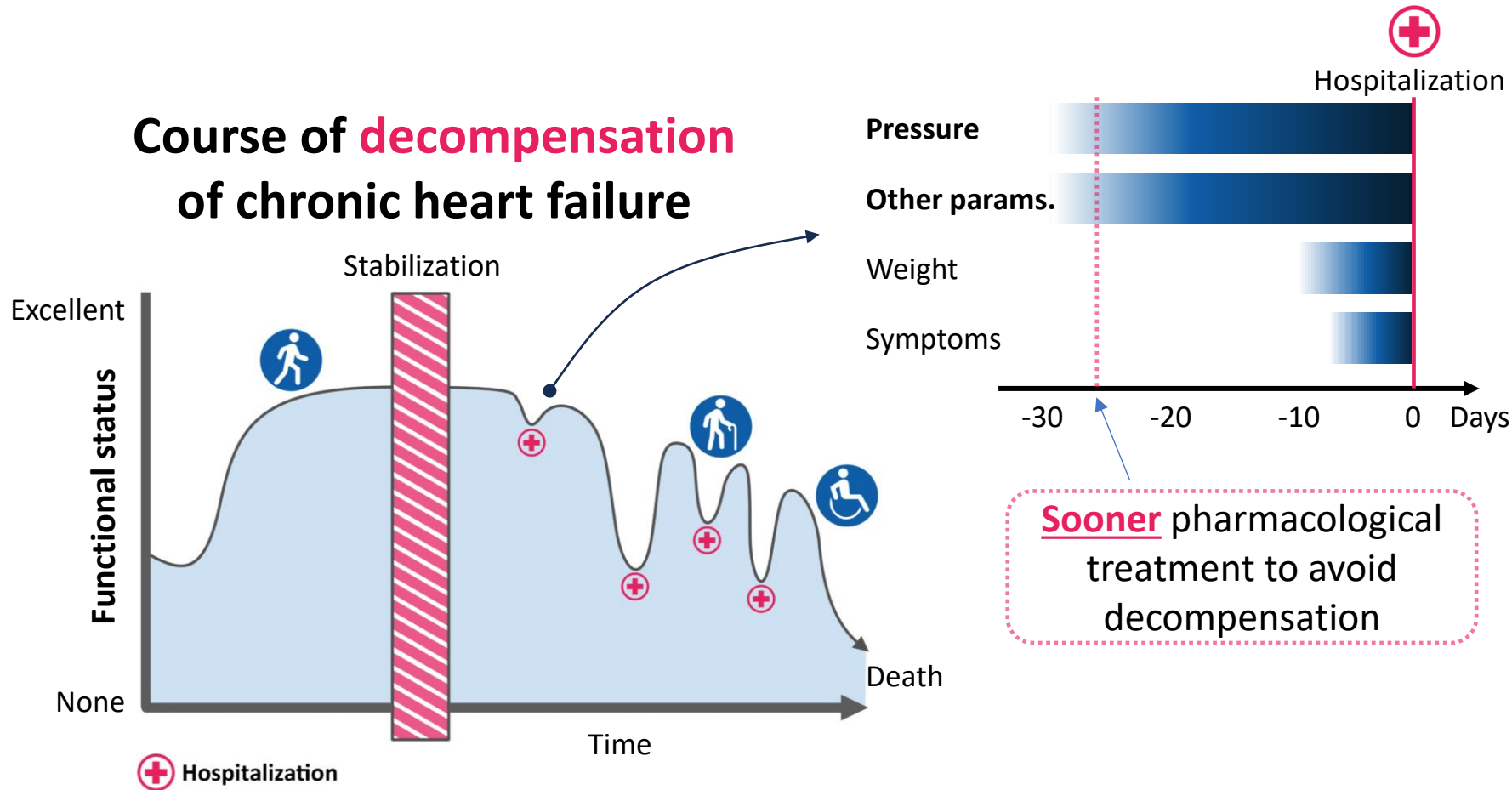


# Intravascular microsensing for remote monitoring of heart failure patients



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## Course of **decompensation** of chronic heart failure



Adapted from: Can J Cardiol. 2020 Jul;36(7):1050-1060.

PEOPLE WITH HF

64 M

5-YEARS  
MORTALITY RATE

50%

ANNUAL COSTS UK

£2 B



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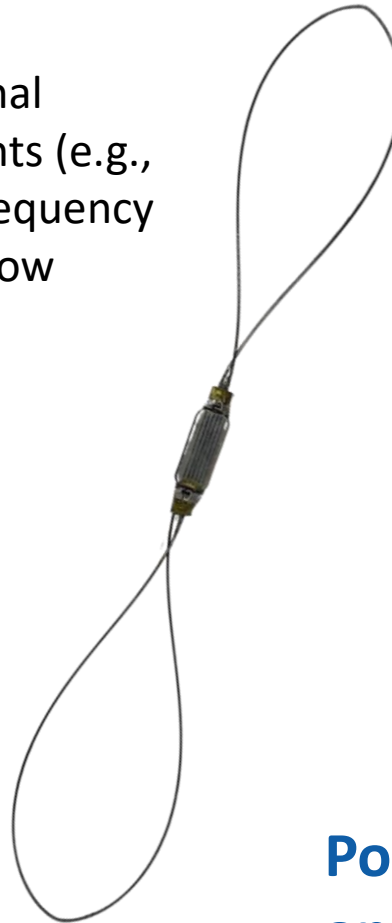


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Our implantable sensors achieve exceptional miniaturization by lacking bulky components (e.g., batteries). They are powered using high frequency current bursts applied to the skin, which flow through tissues by **volume conduction**.

## IPR STATUS

- [IP1](#): basis of sensing method; national phases (USA, EU, CA, AU, CN)
- [IP2](#): pressure transduction; **European patent granted**, national phases
- Positive FTO analysis



## COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES

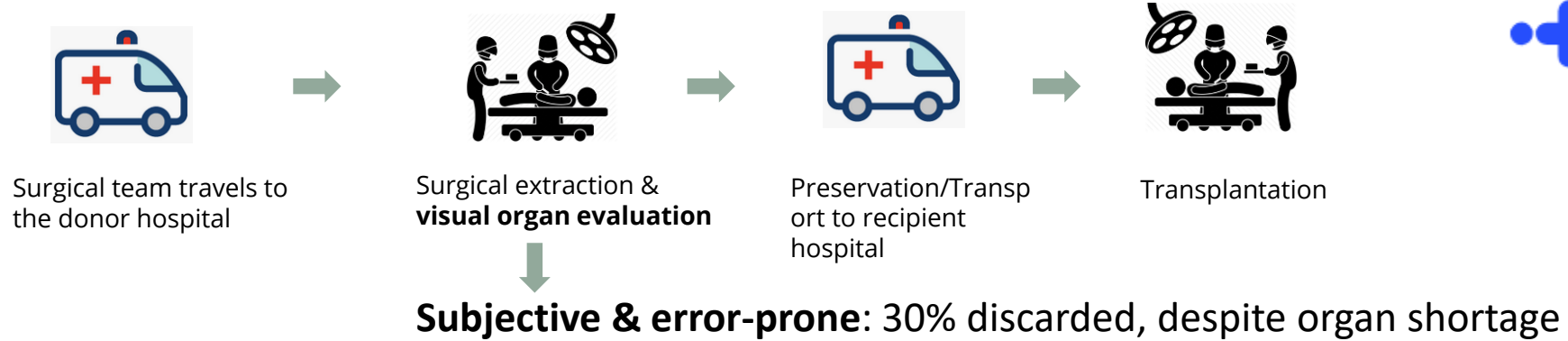
- 1 Can sense multiple biomedical parameters in a single device
- 2 Network of devices for multi-site sensing
- 3 Fits in thinner blood vessels
- 4 Easier and safer to implant

Potential to address several cardiovascular applications including **heart failure**

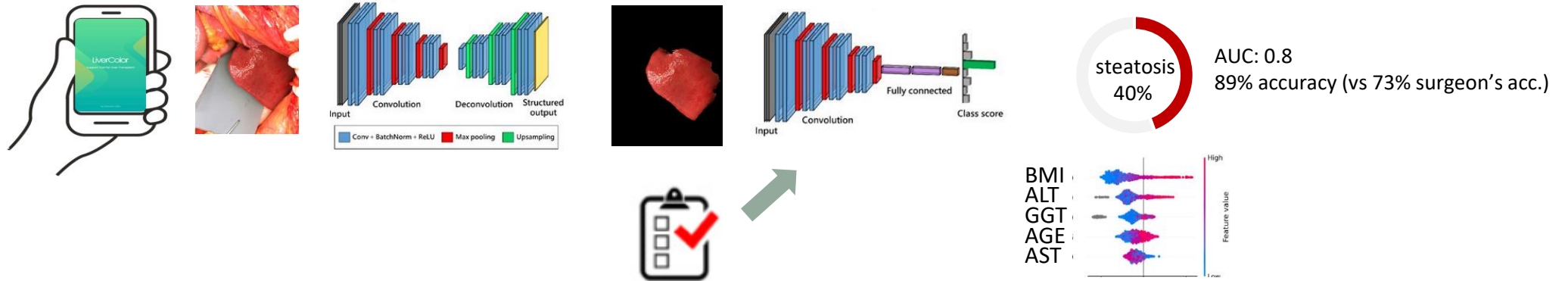




# LiverColor: an AI tool to quantify hepatic steatosis

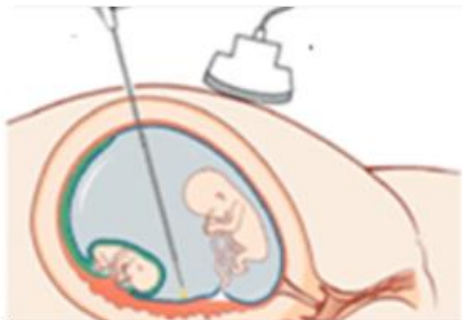


50% of the livers discarded by visual inspection could have been used





# And many more applications ...



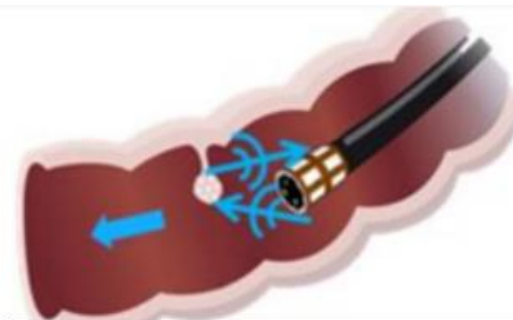
**Foetal Surgery**



**Injectable Electronic Implants**



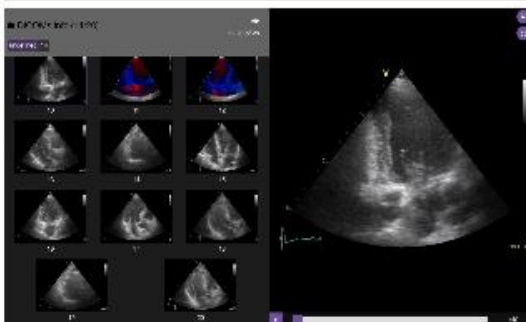
**Surgical planning for cochlear implants**



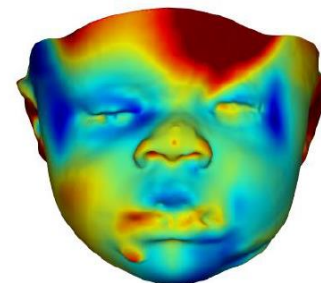
**MiWendo Solutions - Endoscopic Navigation**



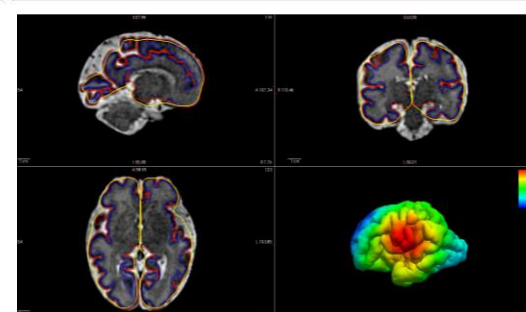
**Agent based models for the study of infectious phenomena**



**ReImaging - Biomedical Data Platform**



**3D face analysis for genetic screening**



**Neurodevelopment across lifespan**