



PATIENT-SPECIFIC AEROSOL DEPOSITION ASSESSMENT TECHNOLOGY & VALIDATION



A man in a grey turtleneck is shown in profile, looking towards a digital wireframe human figure. The wireframe figure is composed of glowing blue lines and is positioned as if it is interacting with the man's hand. The background is dark blue with glowing blue lines and a grid pattern, suggesting a digital or futuristic environment.

IN-SILICO METHODS & DIGITAL TWINS

In order for in-silico models and digital twins to be dependable and accurate, they must effectively capture and replicate the essential parameters of the physical processes they are simulating.

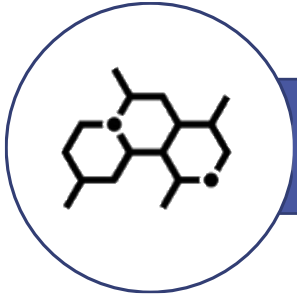
Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) can simulate in-silico deposition in digital patients by solving the equations that describe flow behavior (Navier-Stokes equations)

The precision of Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) depends on the input parameters being as similar as possible to the actual clinical scenario.

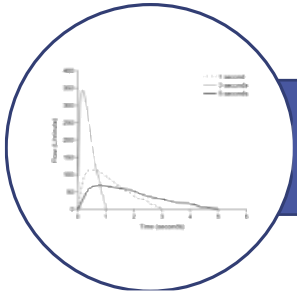
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DEVICE



DRUG FORMULATION

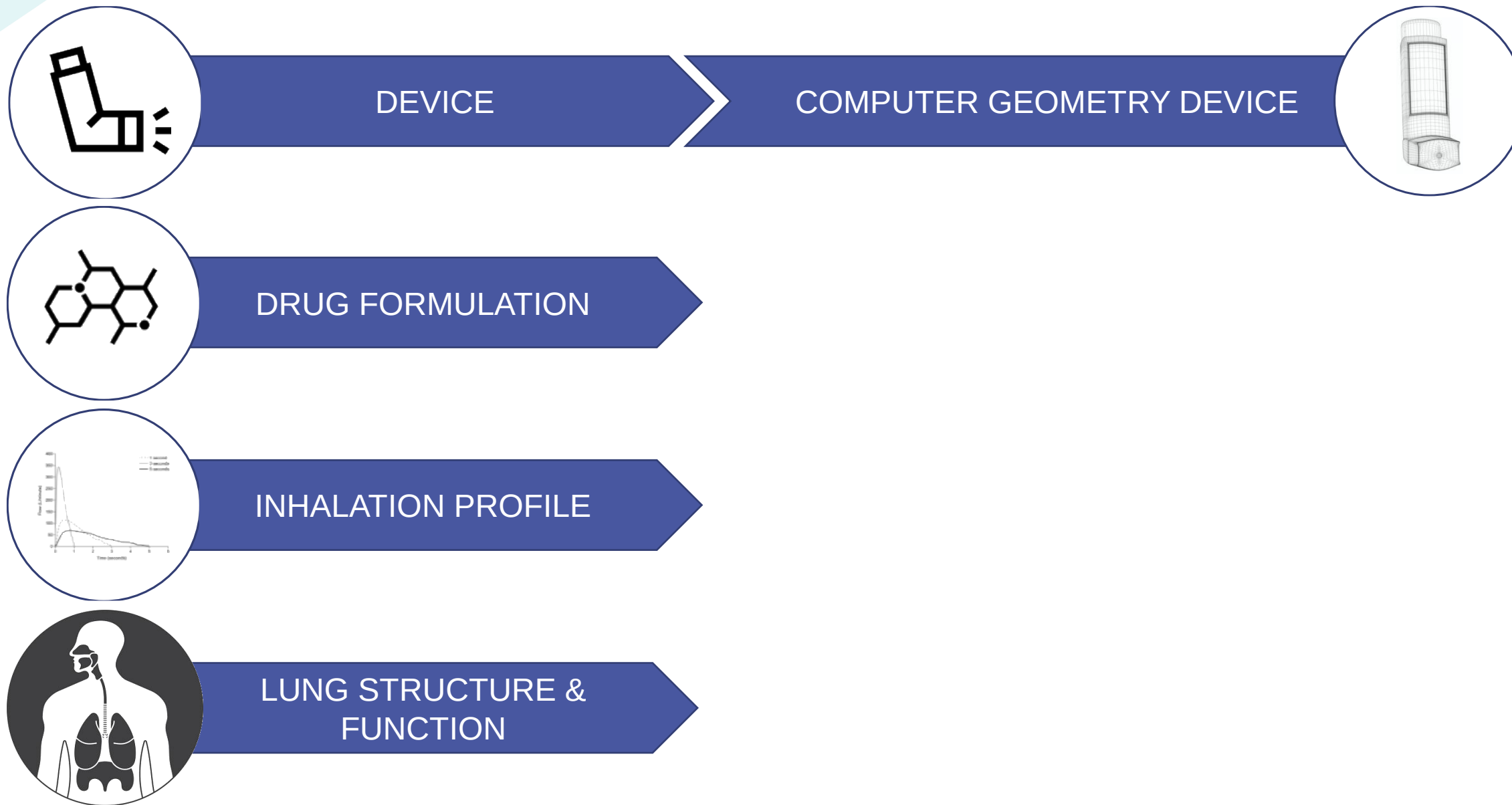


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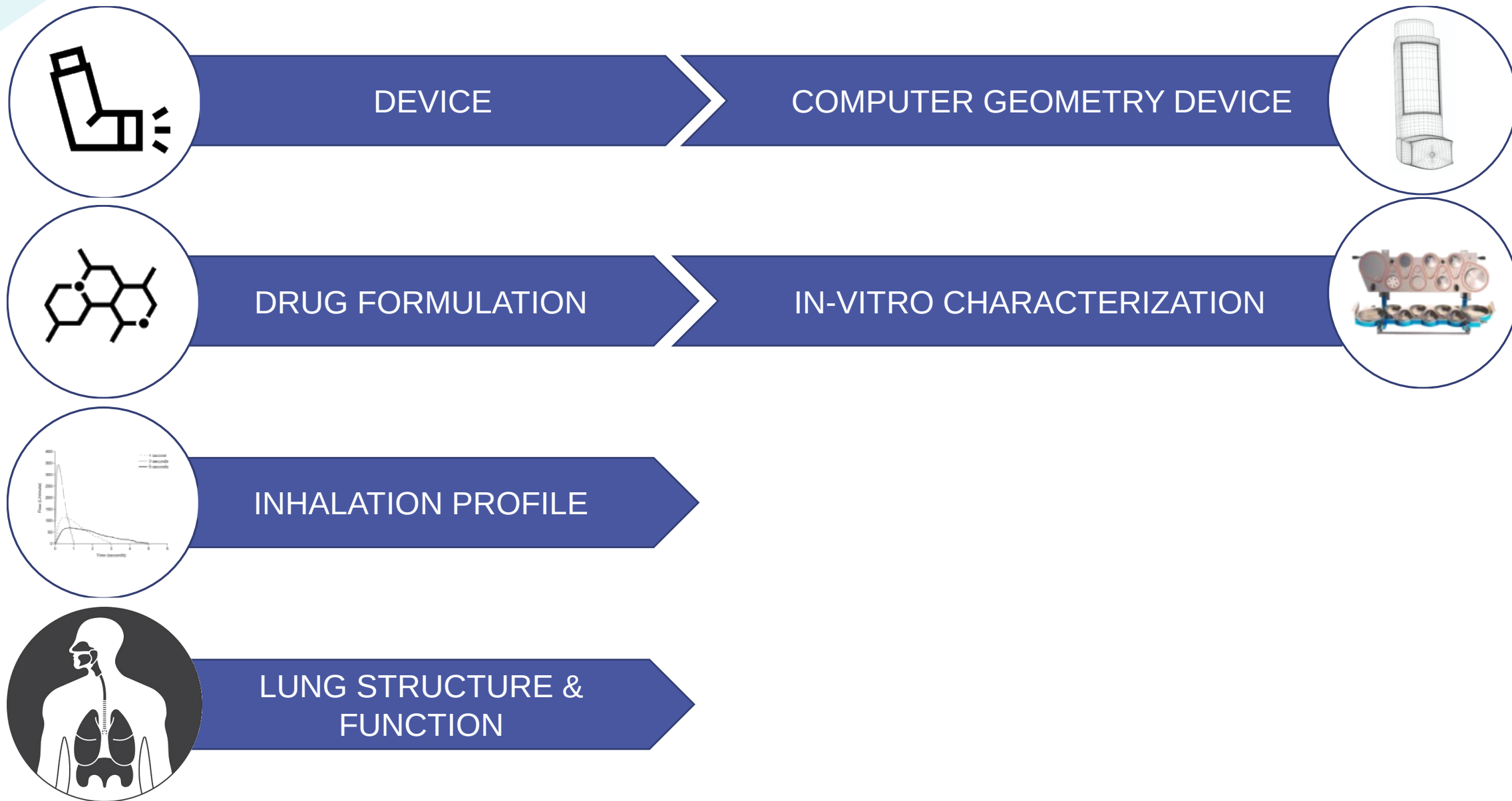


LUNG STRUCTURE &
FUNCTION

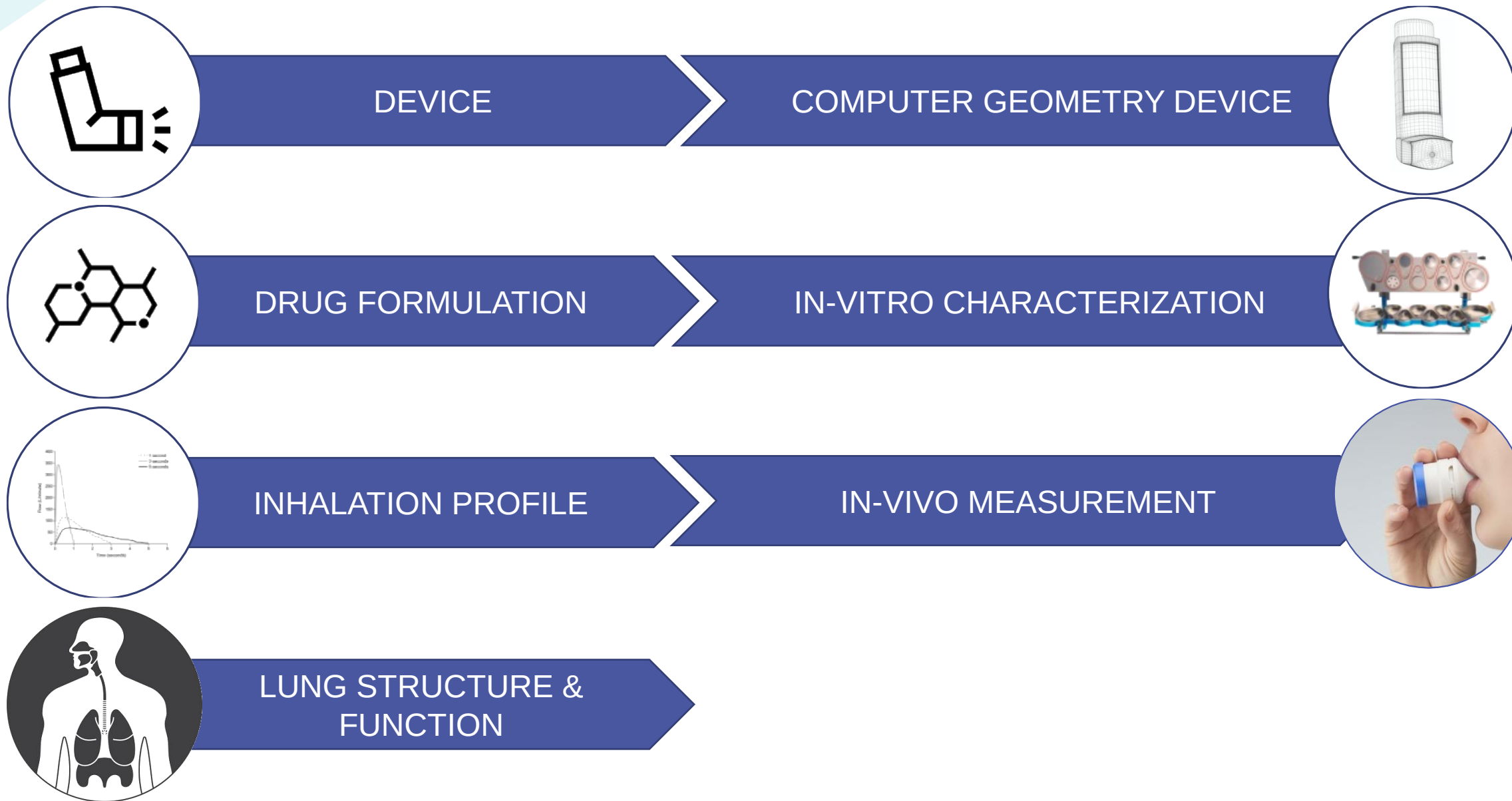
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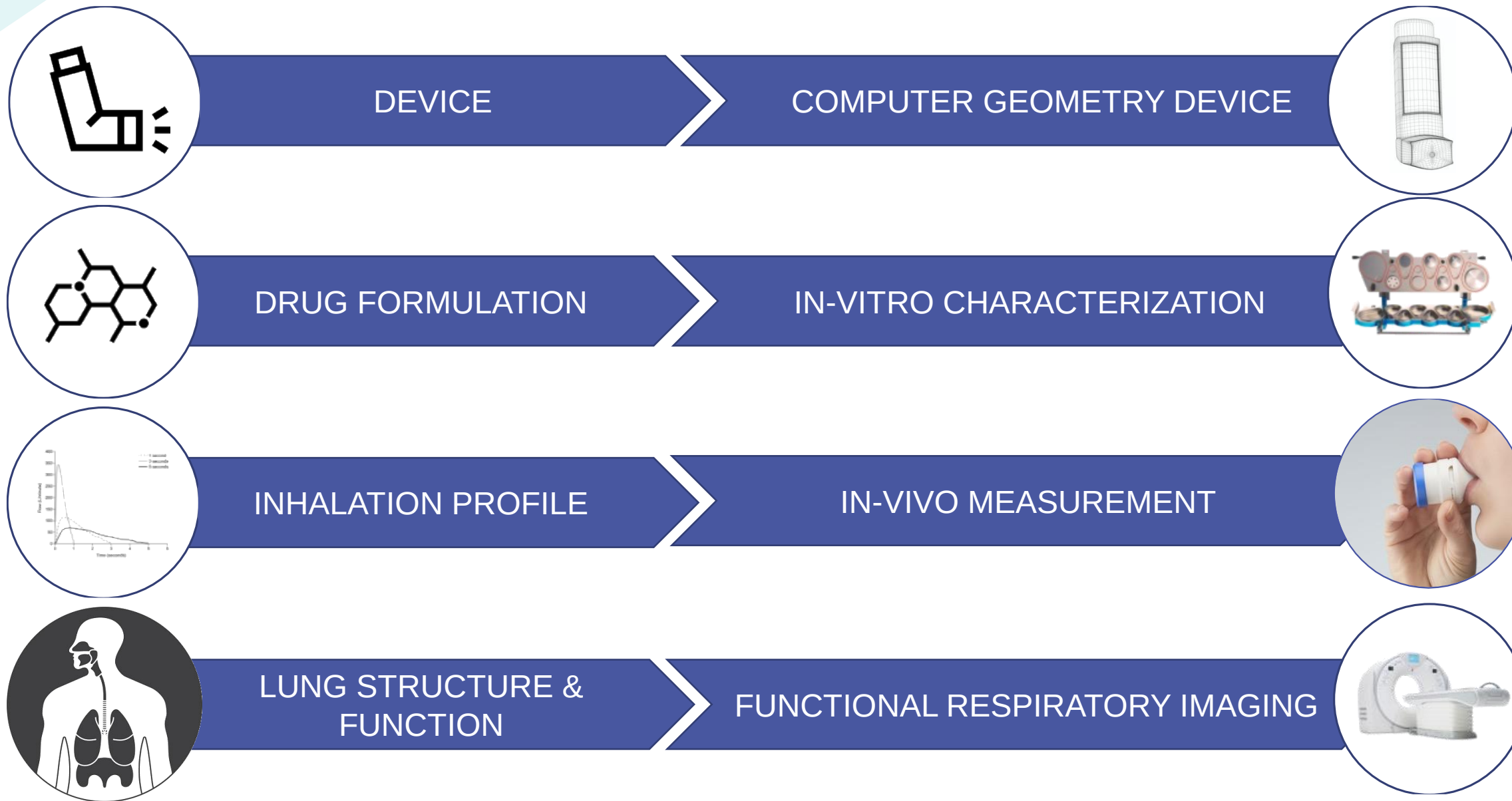
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CONVENTIONAL
CT ANALYSES

2. VISUAL READ



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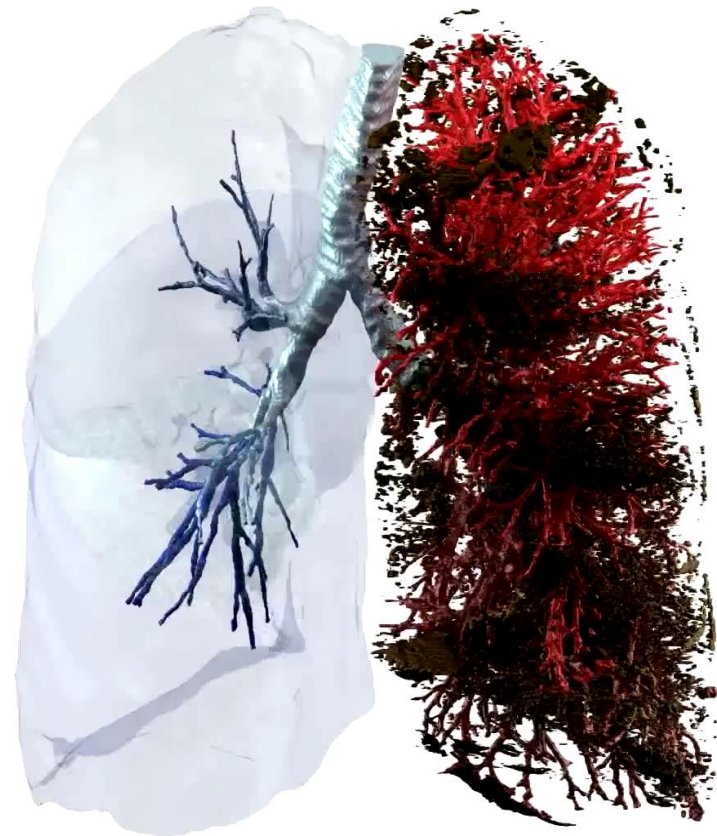
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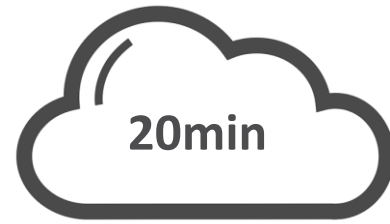


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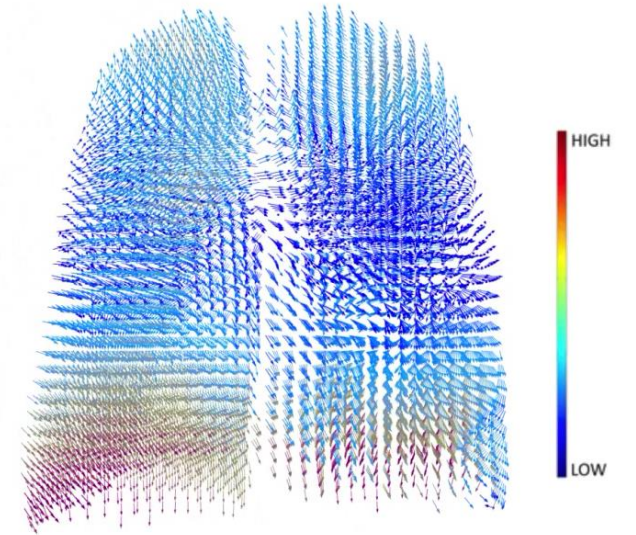
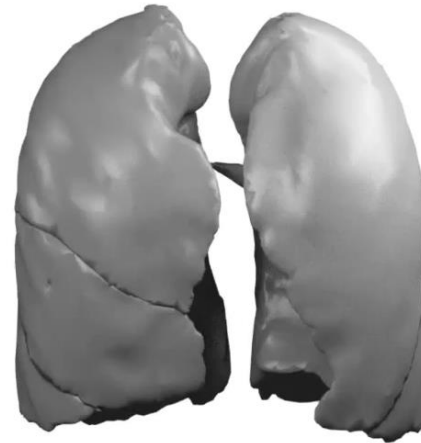
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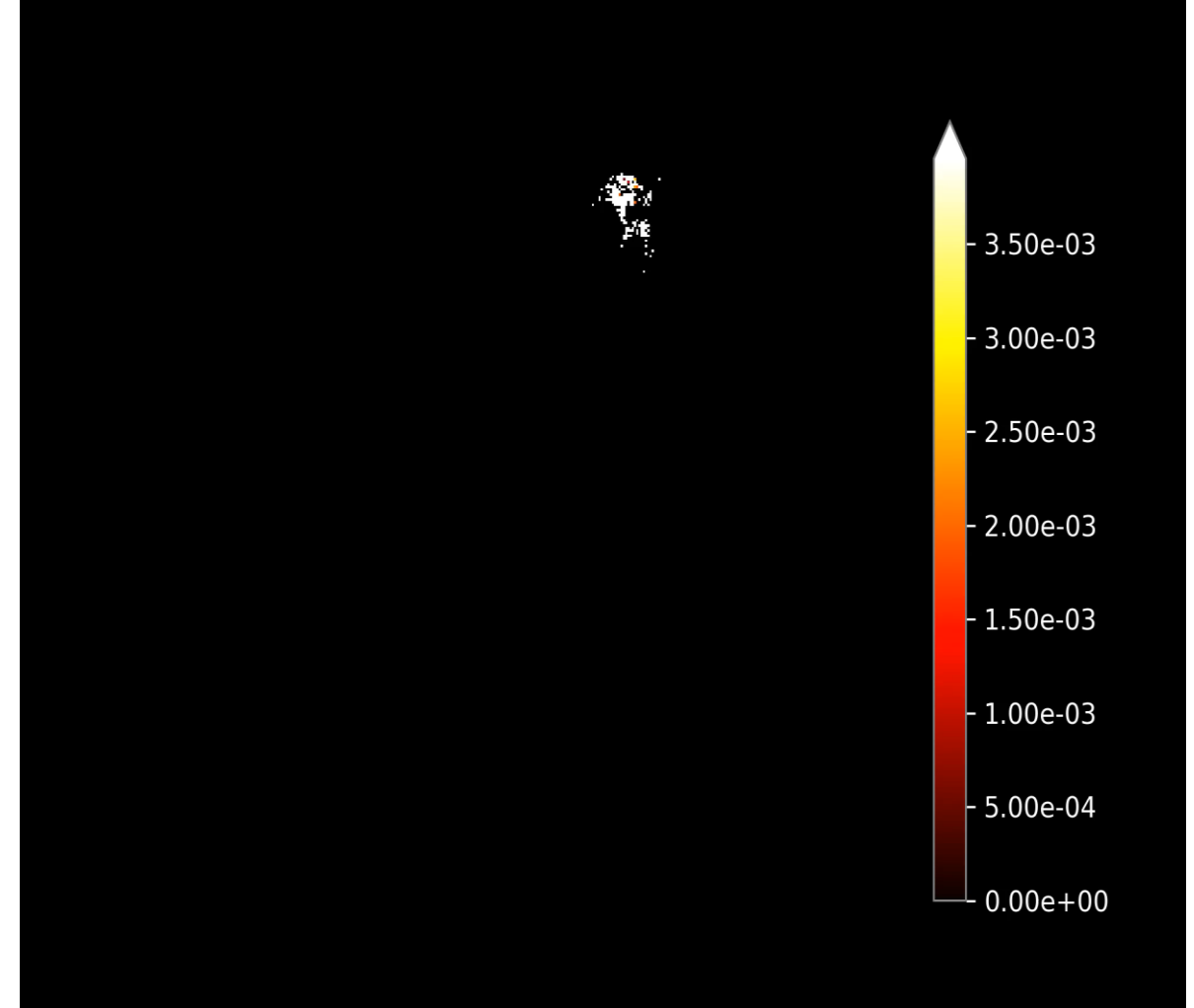


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AEROSOL DEPOSITION

FRI yields drug deposition without the need for radiolabeling



COMPARISON FRI VS SCINTIGRAPHY

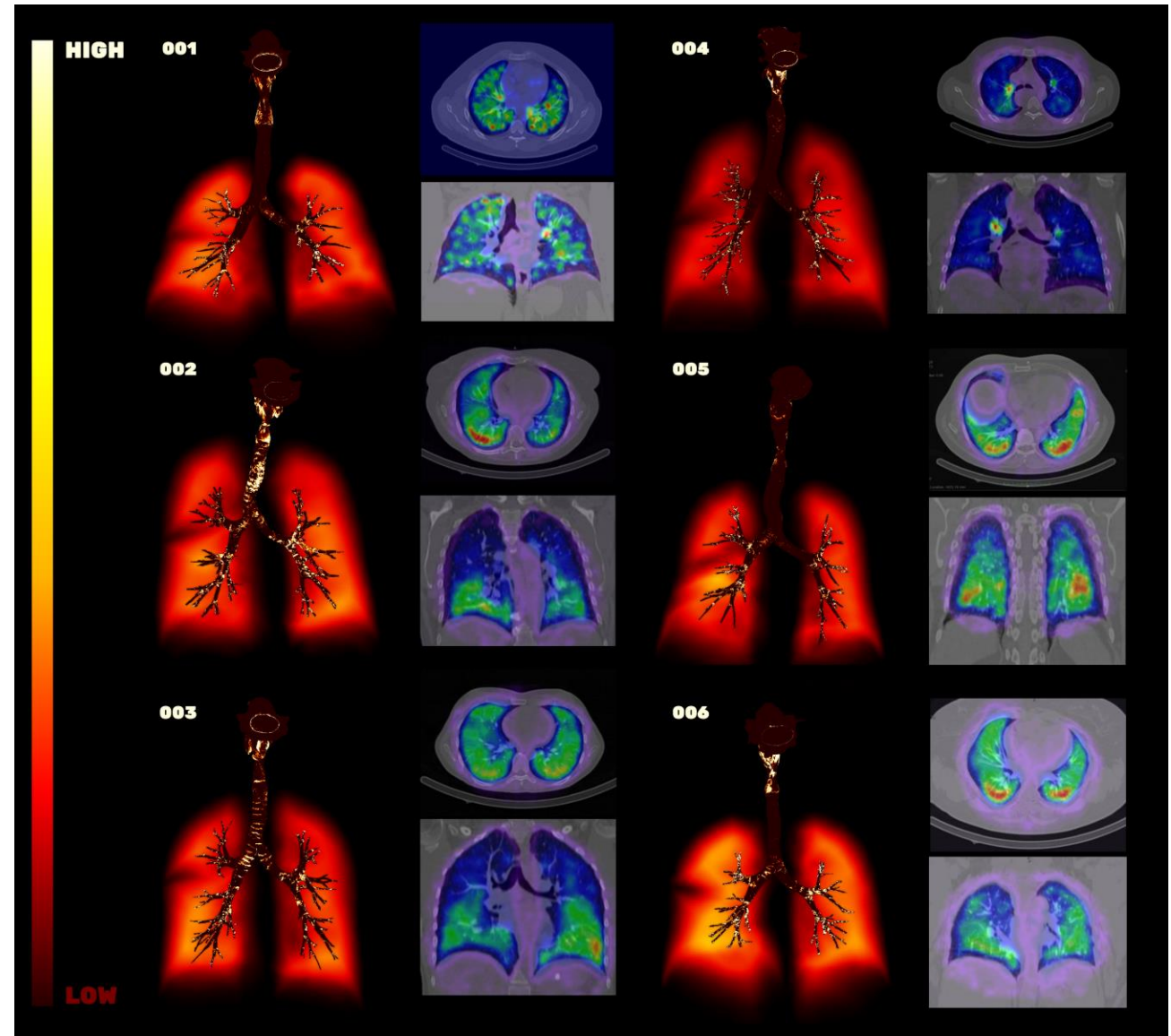
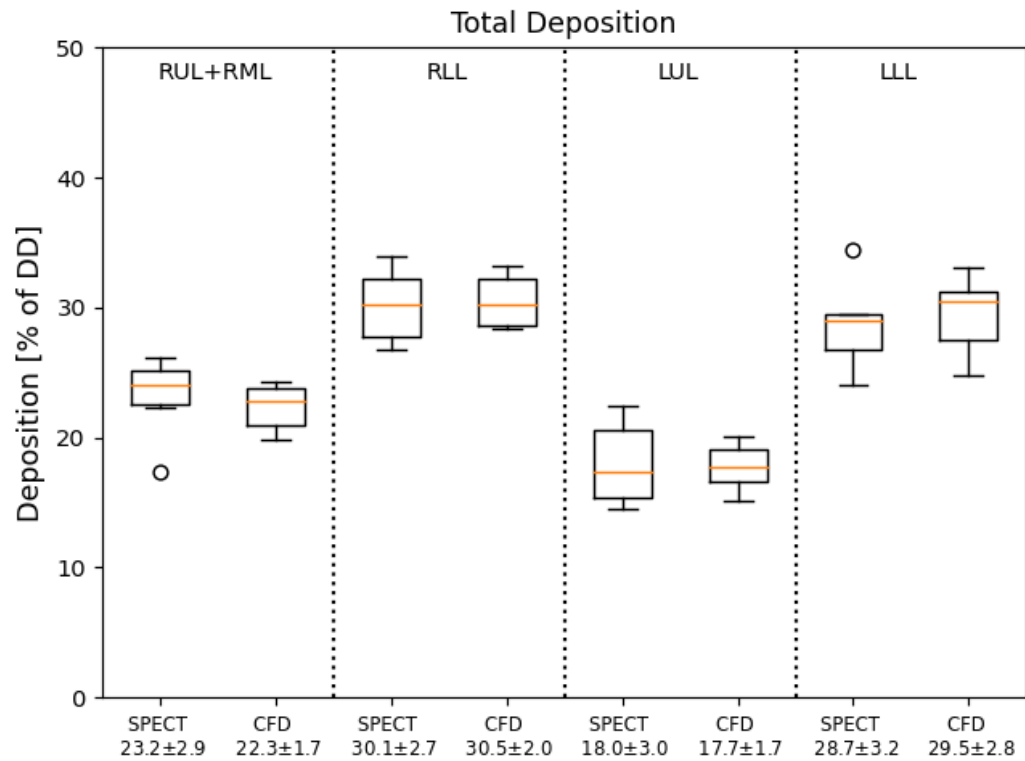
Product	FRI [%Lung Dose]	Scintigraphy [%Lung Dose]
Foster® in COPD	28 ¹	31-34 ^{2,3}
Flutiform® in Asthma	42 ⁴	41 ⁵
Symbicort® in Asthma	23 ⁴	22 ⁶
Qvar® in Asthma	54 [*]	53 ⁷
I-neb® nebulization	45 ⁸	42 ⁹
eFlow® nebulization	18 ⁸	17 ¹⁰
LC Sprint® nebulization	9 ¹¹	10-15 ¹²
AKITA® nebulization	34 ¹¹	31 ^{12,13}

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COMPARISON FRI VS SPECT

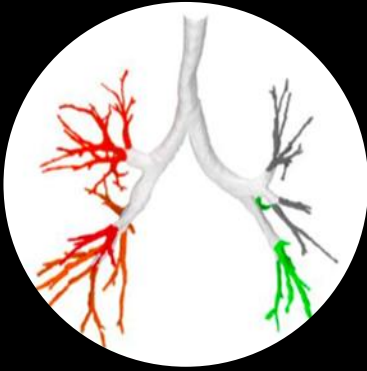
- 6 patients (3F/3M) with mild asthma
- Average age = 46 years $\pm$ 17



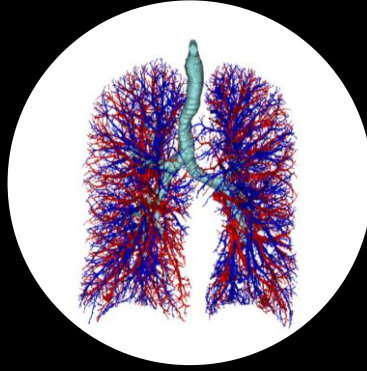
FRI PROVIDES COMPREHENSIVE SET OF QUANTITATIVE OUTCOME PARAMETERS



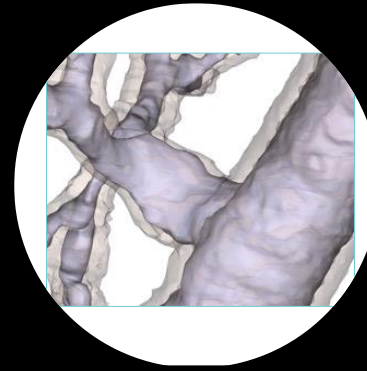
Lung Volumes



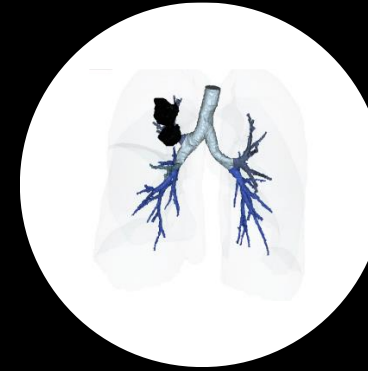
Airway Volumes



**Arteries/Veins
Volumes**



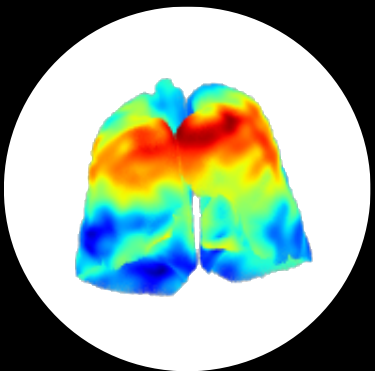
**Airway Wall
Volumes**



Nodules



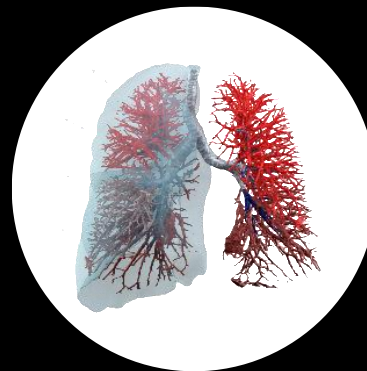
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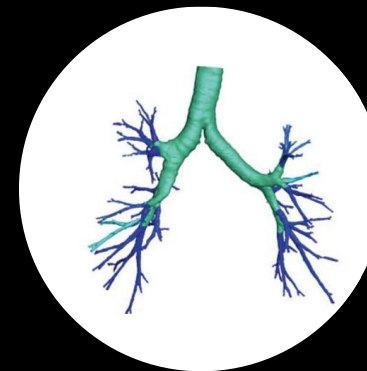
Ventilation



Air Trapping



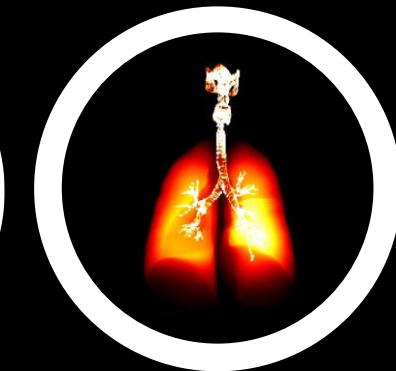
**Ventilation/
Perfusion**



Airway Resistance

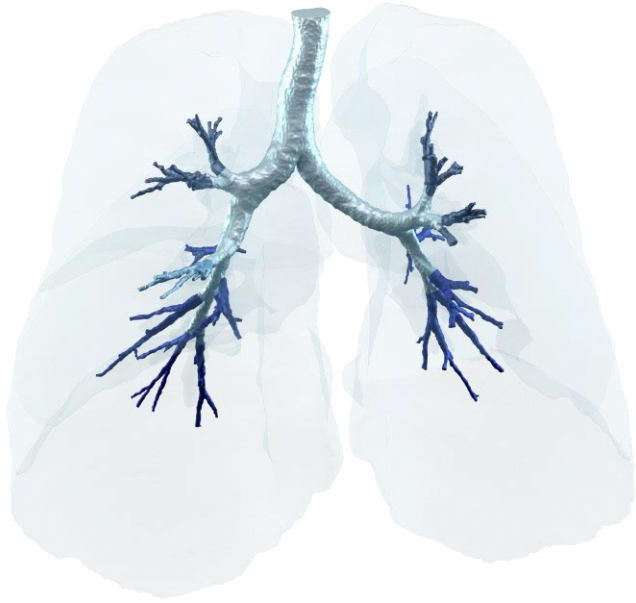


Fibrosis

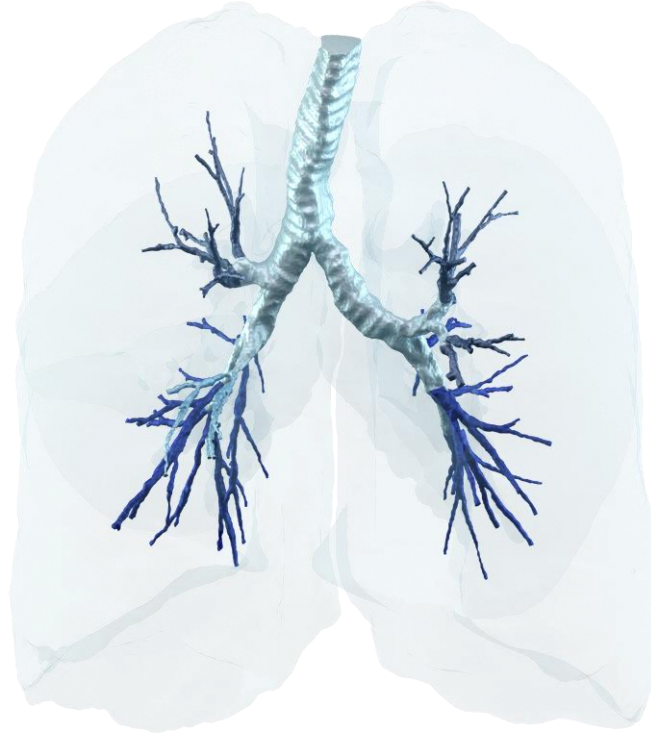


**Aerosol
Deposition**

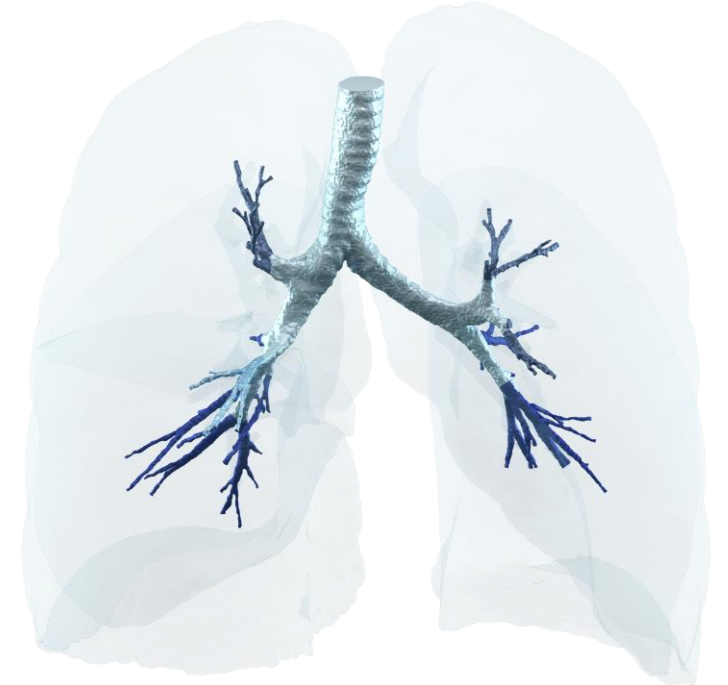
IMPORTANCE OF CAPTURING DISEASED AIRWAYS



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FEV1 = 108%p

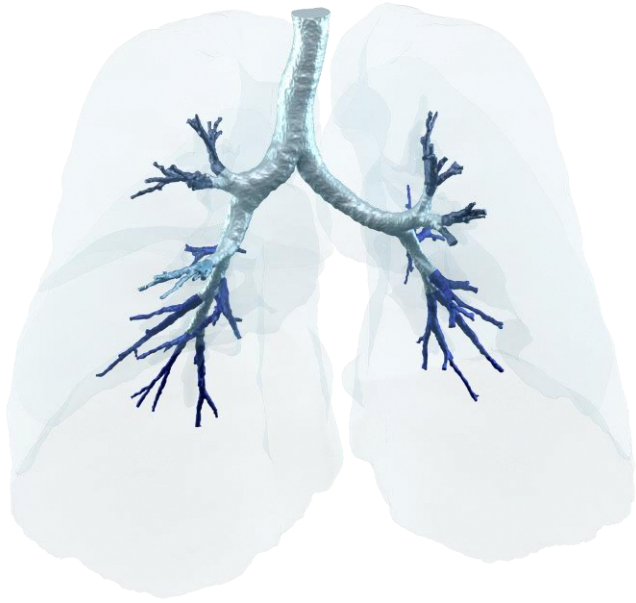


COPD
FEV1 = 52%p

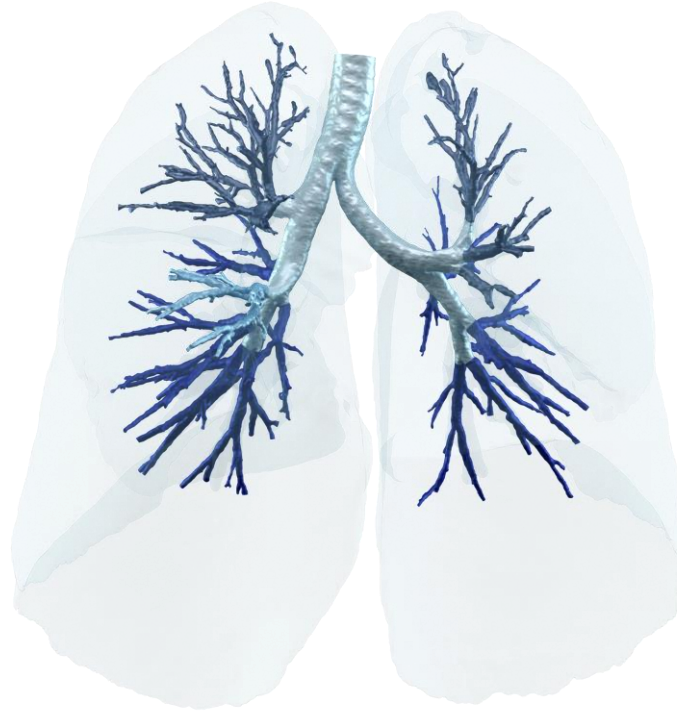


asthma
FEV1 = 72%p

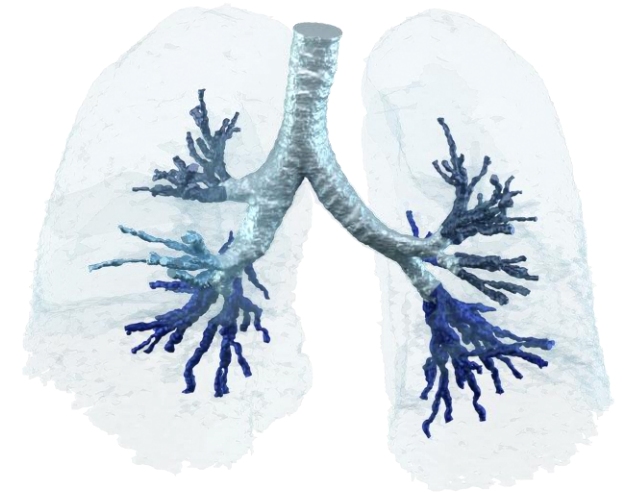
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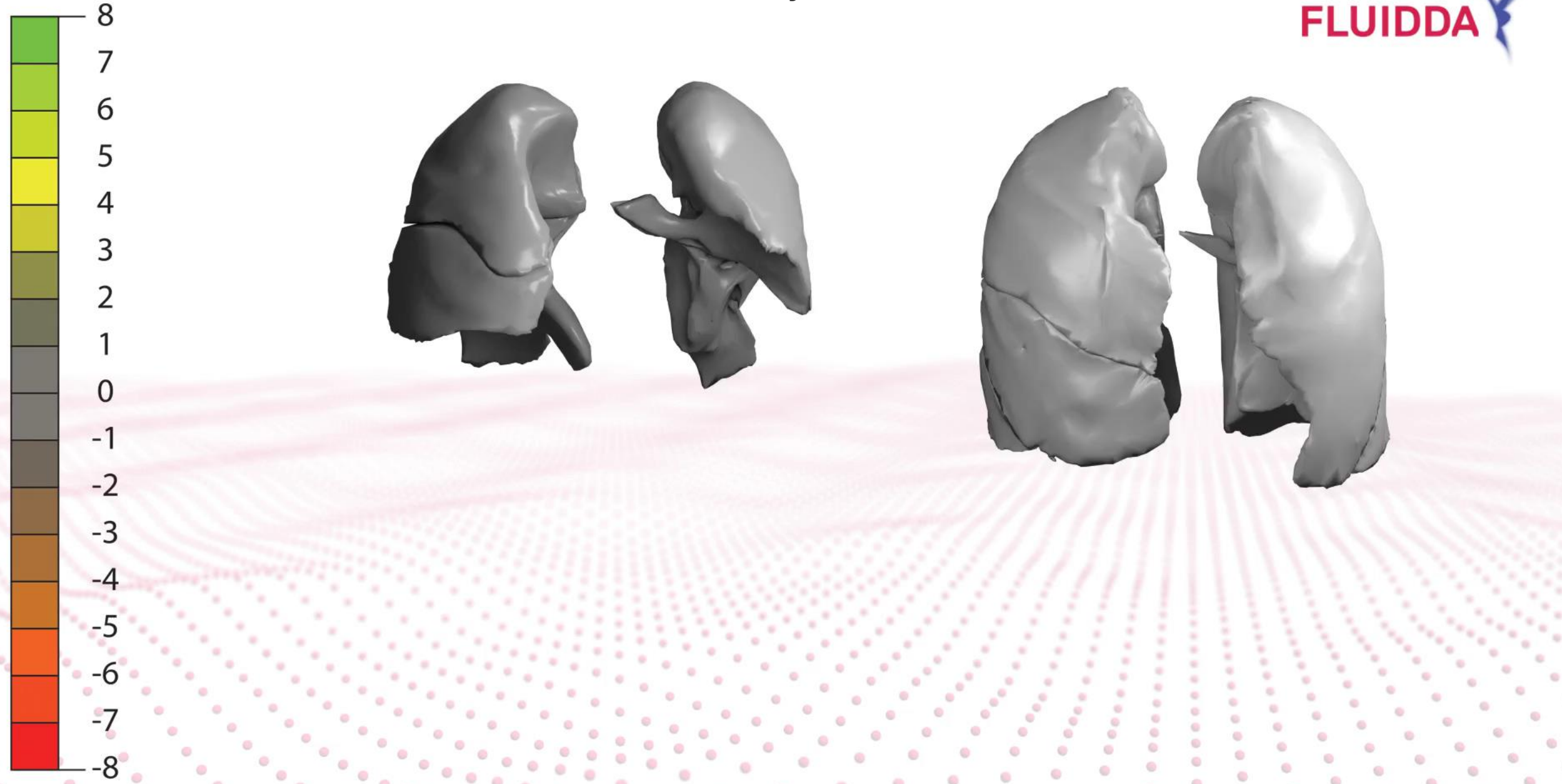


Cystic Fibrosis (CF)
FEV1 = 57%p



**Idiopathic Pulmonary
Fibrosis (IPF)**
FVC = 42%p

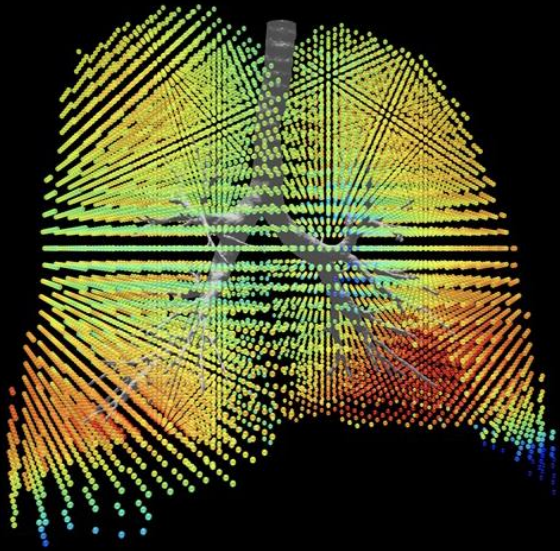
Difference in Lobar Ventilation between IPF and Healthy



VENTILATION DEFECTS IN COPD

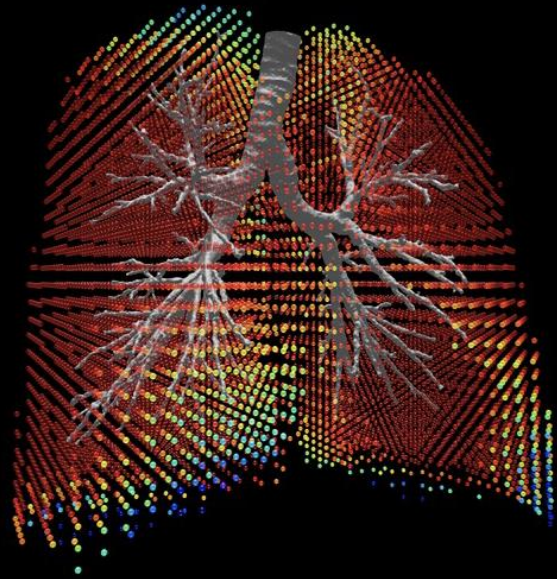
COPD patient

F – 62Y – 162 cm



Healthy control

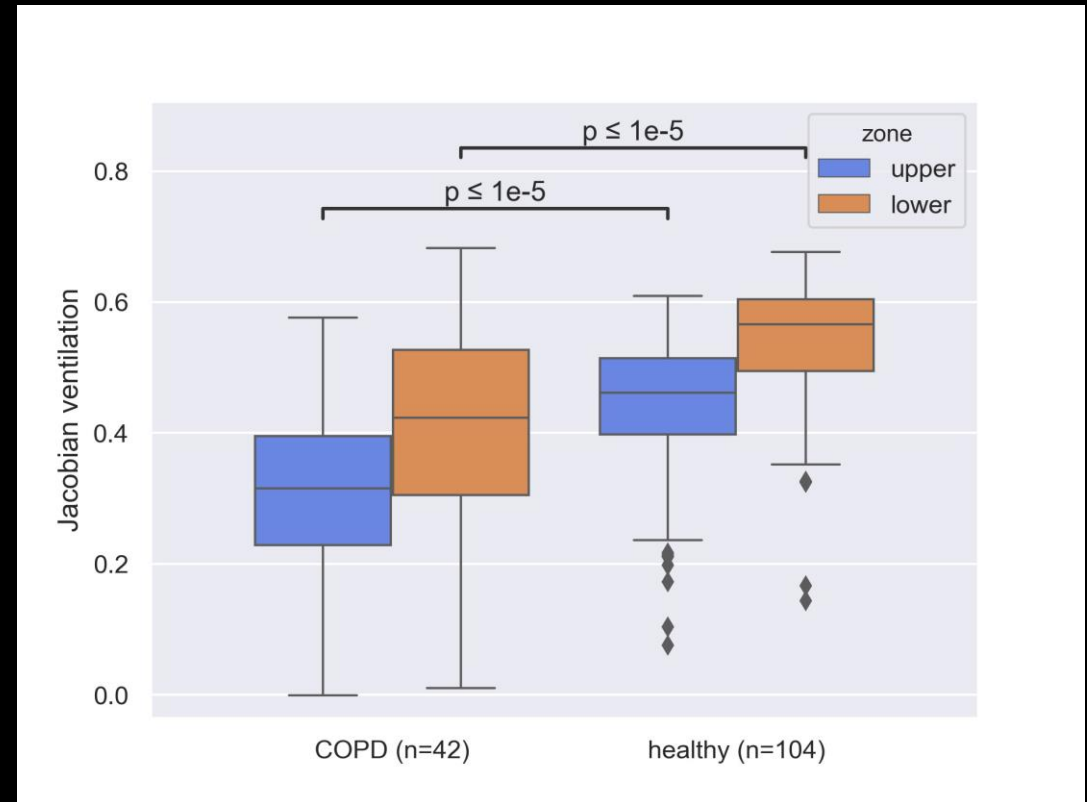
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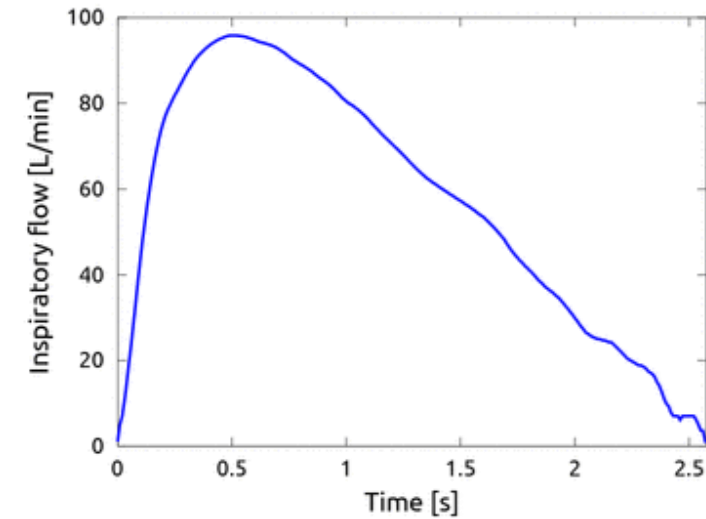
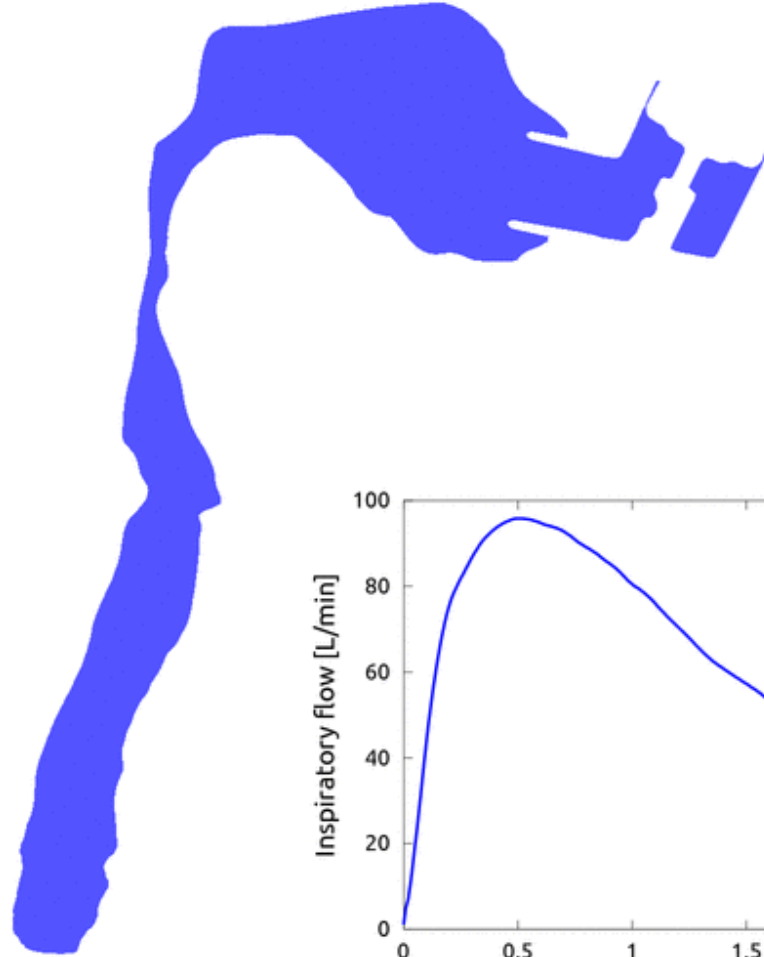
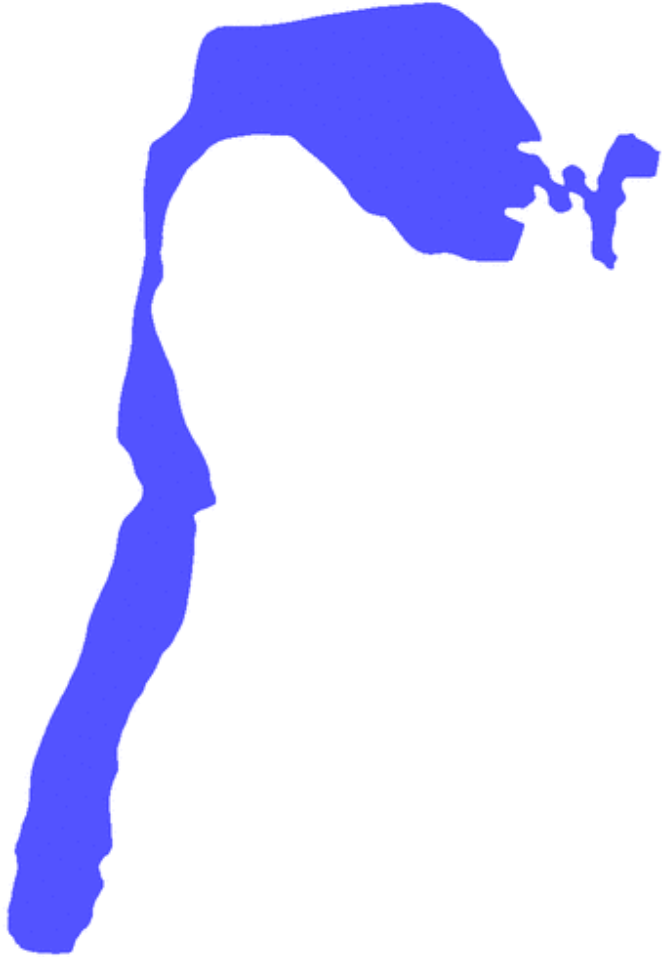
Ventilation
(local tissue expansion)



≤ -0.5 ≥ 0.5



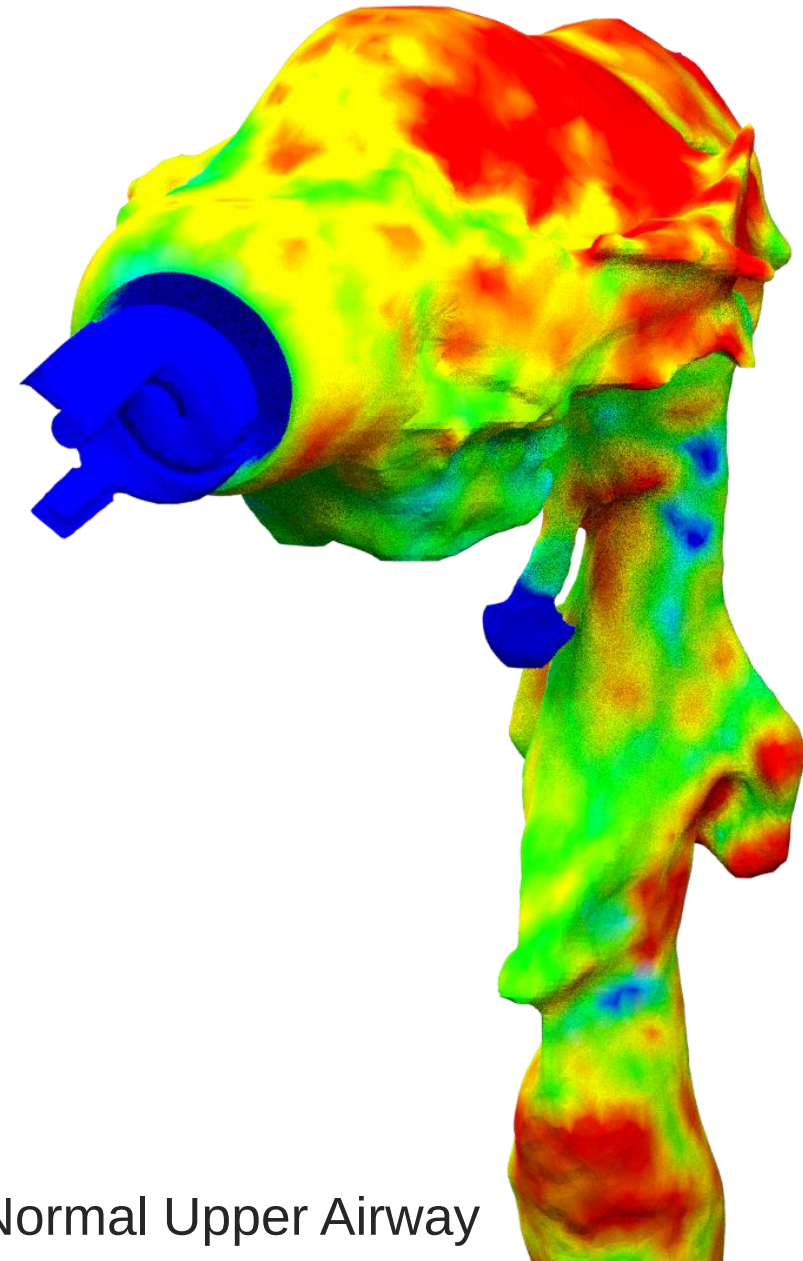
IMPORTANCE OF INCLUDING THE DEVICE



IMPORTANCE OF UPPER AIRWAYS



Narrow Upper Airway



Normal Upper Airway

High



Low

BRINGING IT ALL TOGETHER



EXAMPLE: DEPOSITION OF TRIMBOW AND TRELEGY



**TRIMBOW pMDI
(BDP/FF/GB)**



**TRELEGY DPI
(FluF/VI/UMEC)**

TRIMBOW VS TRELEGY

Study design

- HRCT scans of 20 COPD patients
- Post bronchodilator FEV1 range: 19.3%p – 66.0%p

Flow rate (based on recommendations for use):

- for pMDI: 16 to 68 l/min
- for DPI: 30 to 90 l/min

Table I Characteristics of Patients Providing HRCT Scan Data

Parameter	Patients (N=20)
Male, n (%)	15 (75.0)
Age, years	64.0±7.68 (44–77)
Height, cm	168.9±8.40 (158–188)
Smoking history, pack-years	51.3±29.5 (25–110)
Post-bronchodilator FEV ₁ predicted	42.3±14.8 (19.3–66.0)
50–80%, n (%)	7 (35.0)
30–50%, n (%)	8 (40.0)
<30%, n (%)	5 (25.0)
Post-bronchodilator FEV ₁ to FVC ratio	0.41±0.14 (0.17–0.62)

Note: Data are mean±SD (range) unless specified otherwise.
Abbreviations: FEV₁, forced expiratory volume in 1 sec; FVC, forced vital capacity.

TRIMBOW VS TRELEGY

Device coupling



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Aerosol Particle Size Distributions

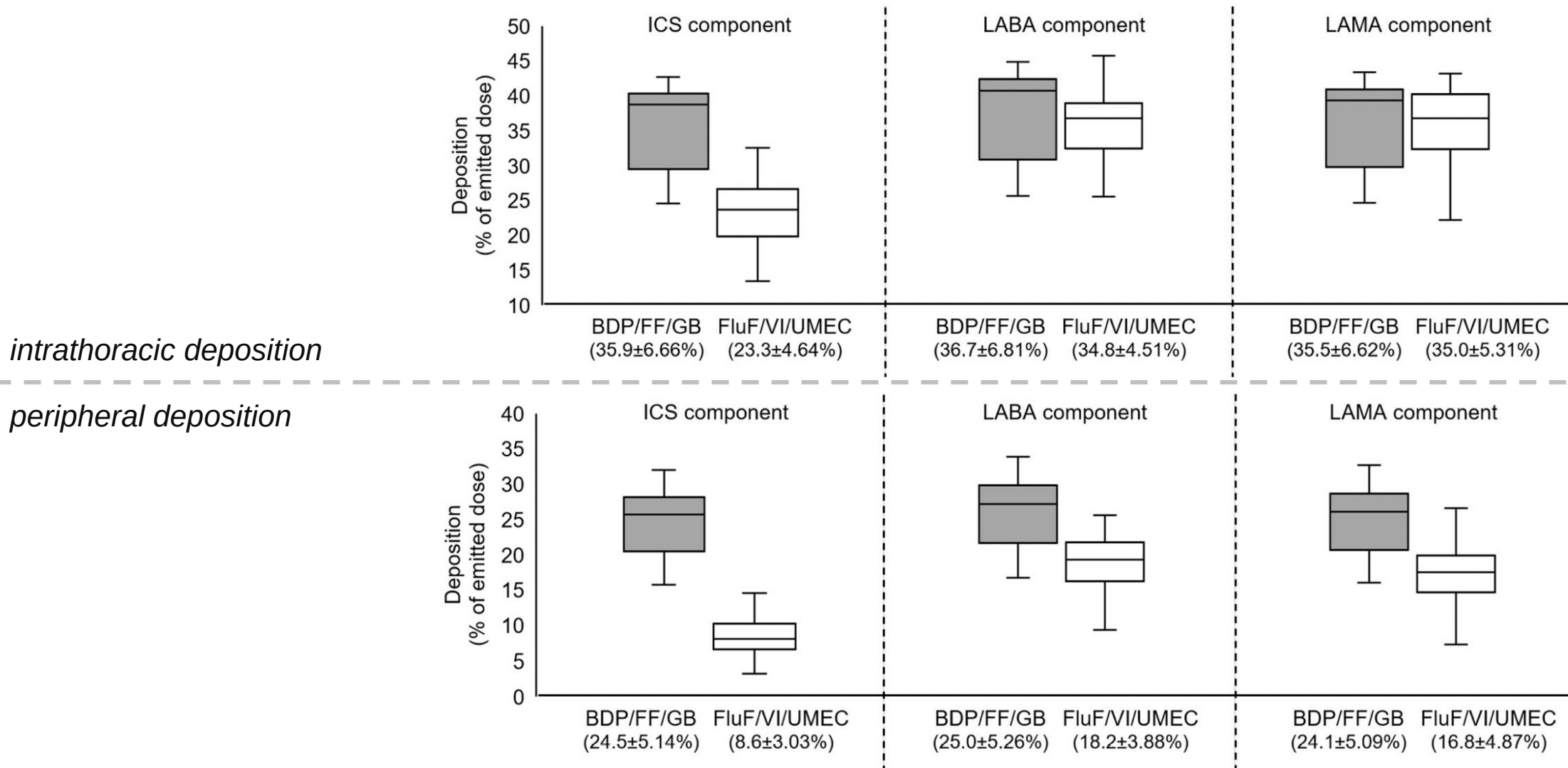
Flow rate	40 L/min			60 L/min			93 L/min		
API	BDP	For	GB	BDP	For	GB	BDP	For	GB
MMAD [μm]	1.9	1.9	2.4	1.8	1.8	2.3	1.7	1.8	2.2
GSD	2.0	1.7	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.9	2.0	1.8	2.0
DD [μg]	174.10	10.28	21.37	172.70	10.18	21.05	173.82	10.40	21.97
FPF [%]	36.21	38.77	33.84	40.46	43.54	36.68	47.15	50.02	39.36



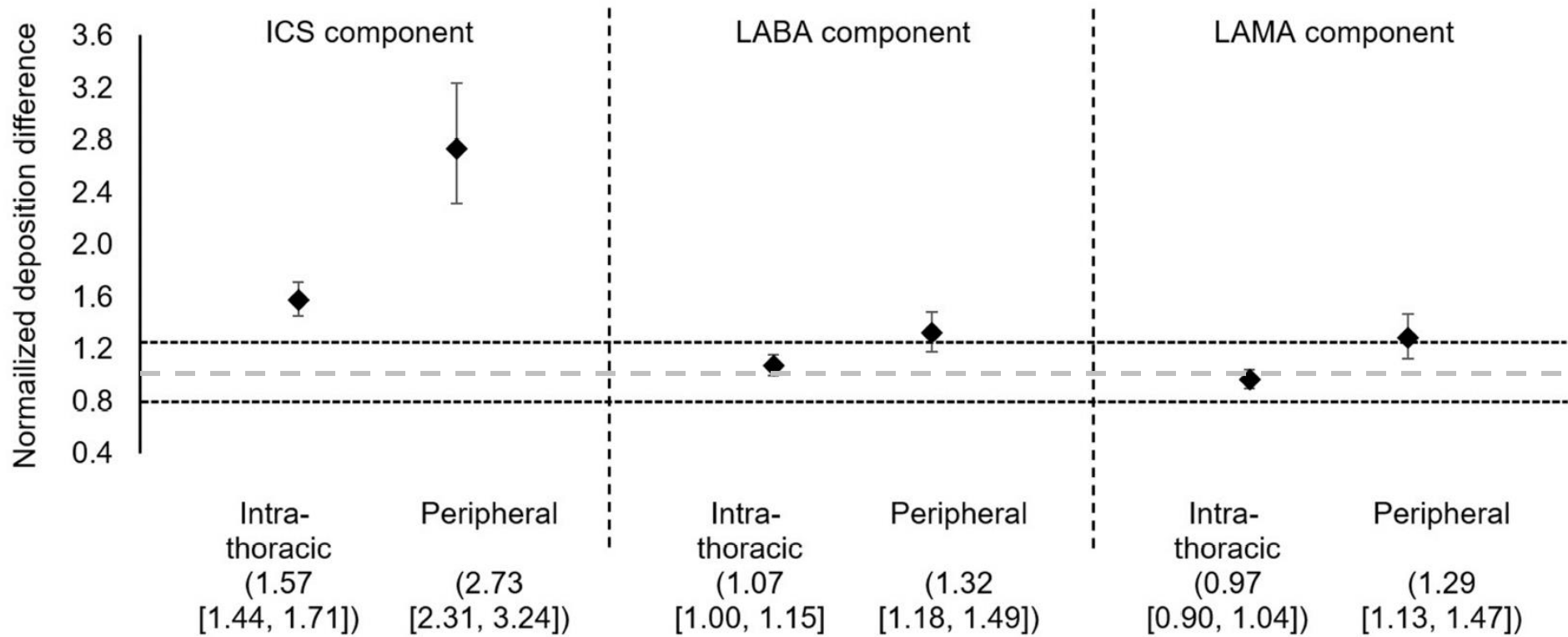
Flow rate	40 L/min			60 L/min			74 L/min		
API	FF	Vil	Ume	FF	Vil	Ume	FF	Vil	Ume
MMAD [μm]	4.4	2.2	3.0	4.2	2.1	2.9	4.0	1.9	2.7
GSD	2.0	2.2	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.0
DD [μg]	96.19	20.47	51.71	99.54	22.40	56.34	103.17	20.70	54.25
FPF [%]	24.36	42.60	46.67	27.10	45.50	48.55	31.77	50.07	47.53



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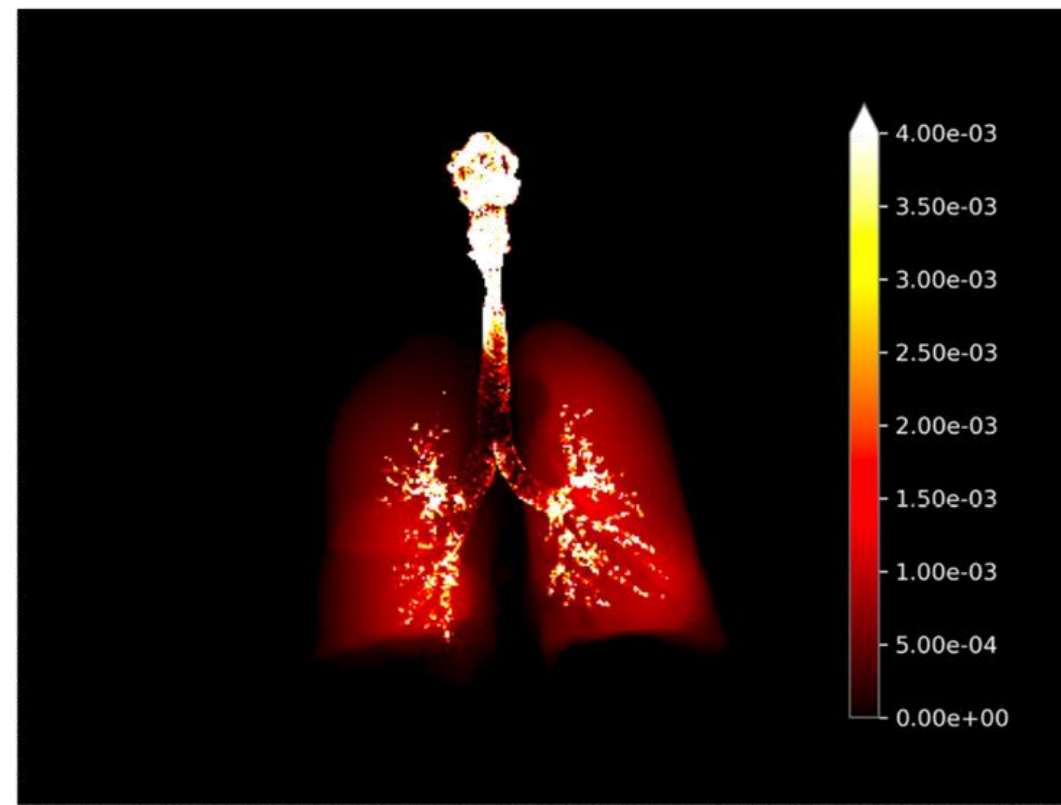
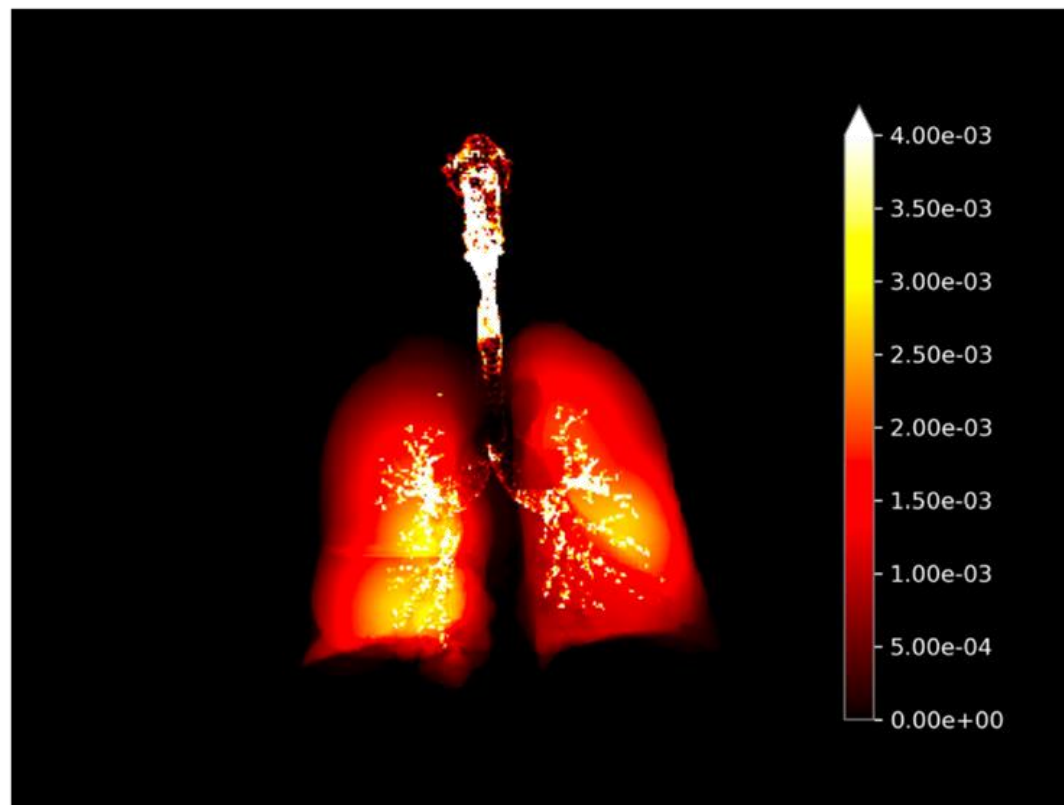
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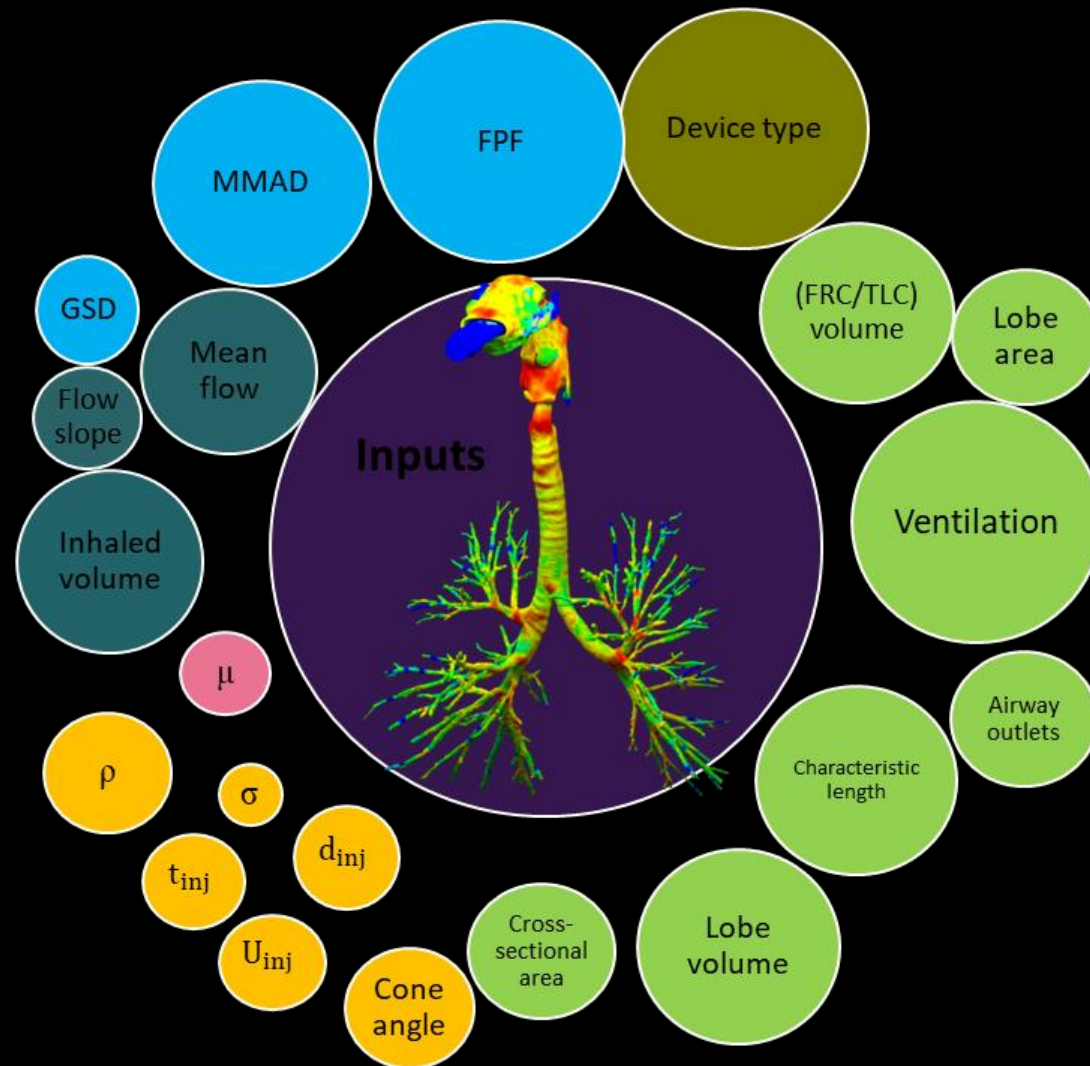


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Visualization of average deposition of all components for all flow rates



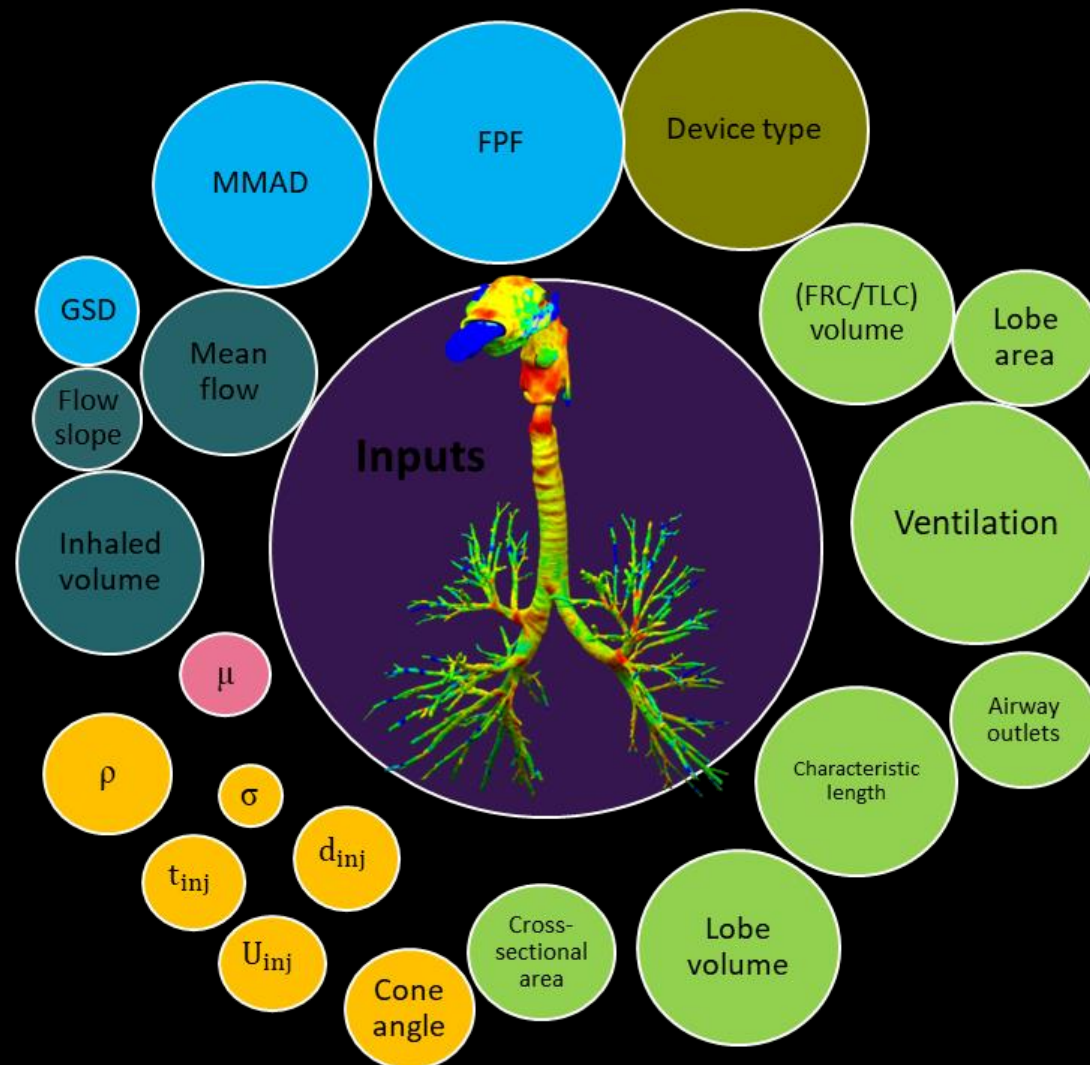
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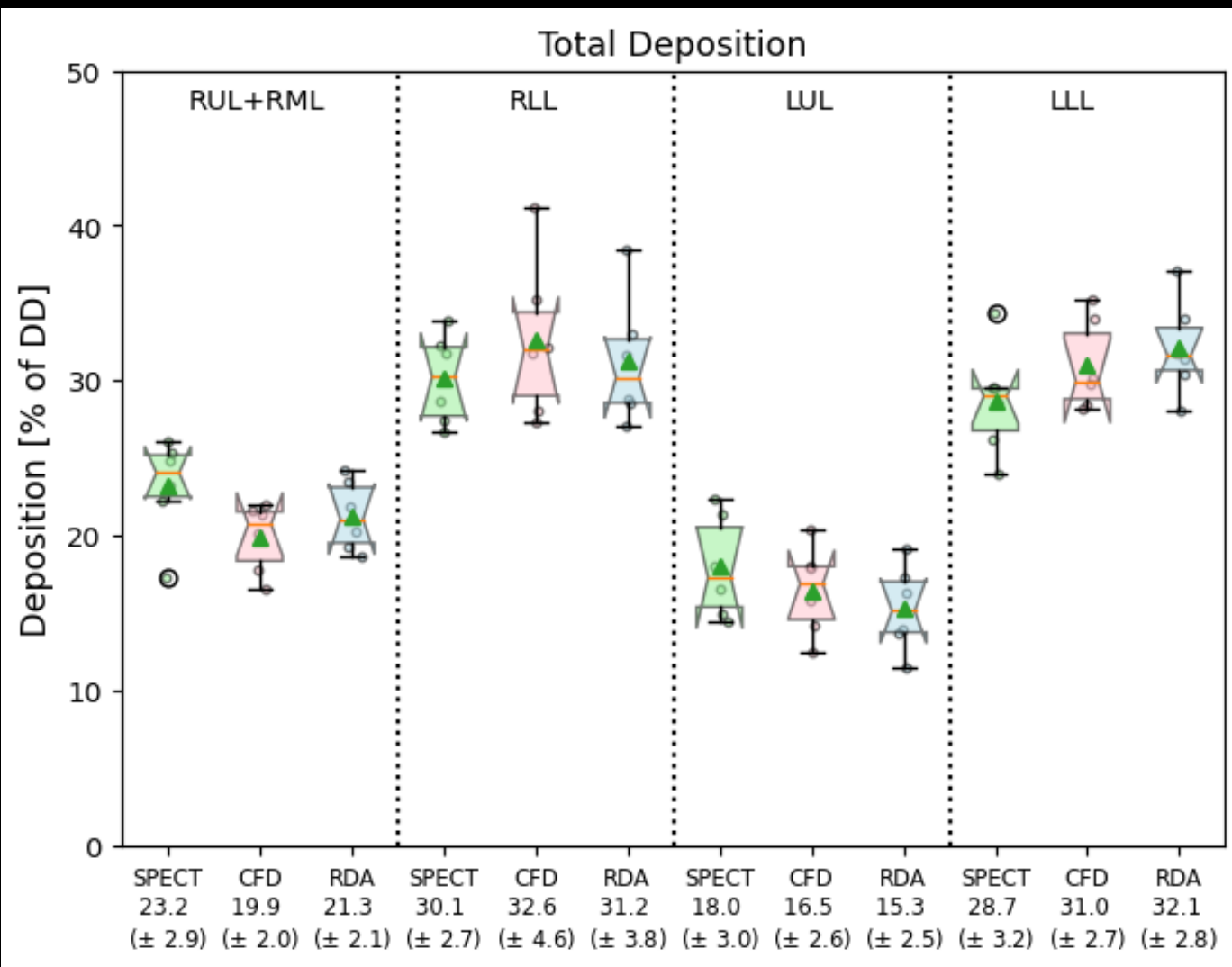
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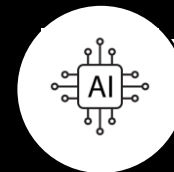
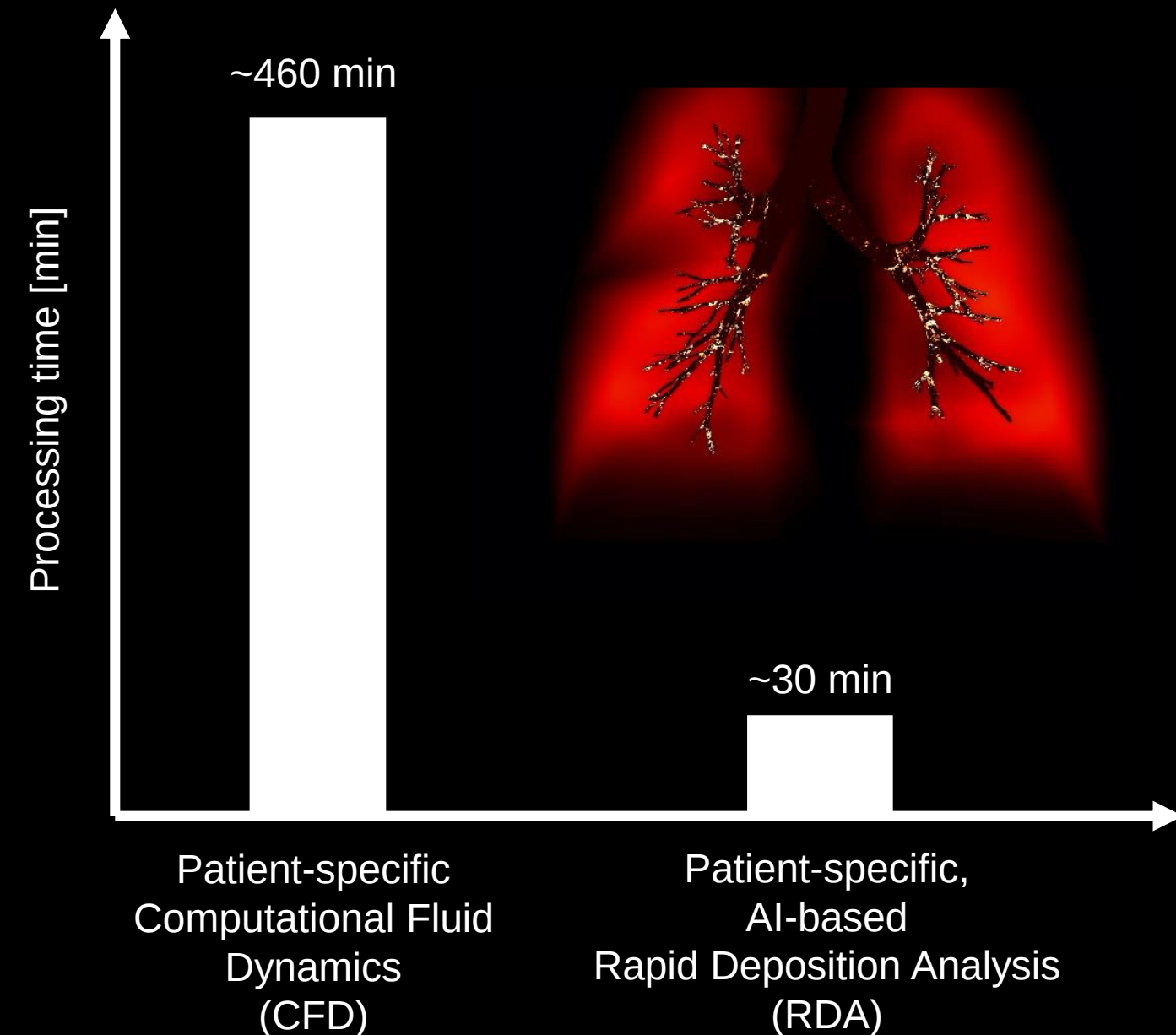
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PROCESSING TIME VS CFD: -94%

RDA reduces the time to determine patient specific lung deposition patterns by 94% compared to CFD



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**COMPUTATIONAL FLUID
DYNAMICS (CFD)**

**100-200 highly
accurate CFD
runs in
representative
sample**

- The key drivers for deposition of inhaled drug products include
 - Device characteristics
 - Drug formulation
 - Inhalation profile
 - Lung structure & Function
- Key drivers can be adequately included into an in-silico approach through a combination of in-vitro tests and a database of relevant in-vivo data (eg HRCT)
- High-resolution but time consuming CFD simulations can be complemented with AI-based RDA to extrapolate CFD results to a larger study population level allowing for in-silico trials to reflect in-vivo trials in sample size and likely surpass in-vivo trials in accuracy
- The digital twin model used for bio-equivalence could become a valuable tool for the development of NCE