



# LEVERAGING CONVERGENCE TO DEMOCRATIZE BIOMANUFACTURING

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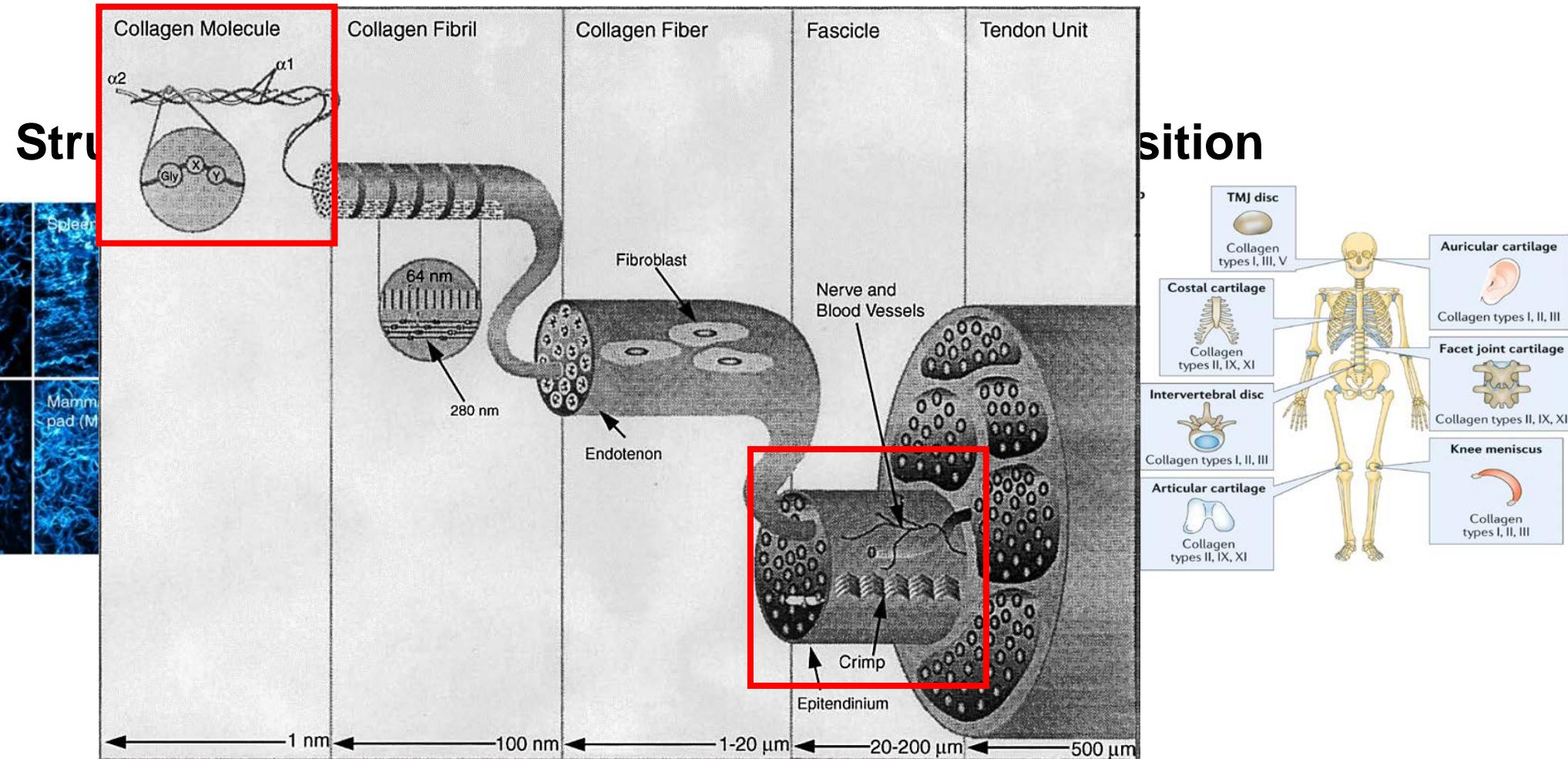
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# MULTISCALE HETEROGENEOUS BIOMATERIALS

Heterogeneity exists in biology in the form of composition and structure spanning multiple hierarchical (spatial) scales to introduce a variety of functionalities

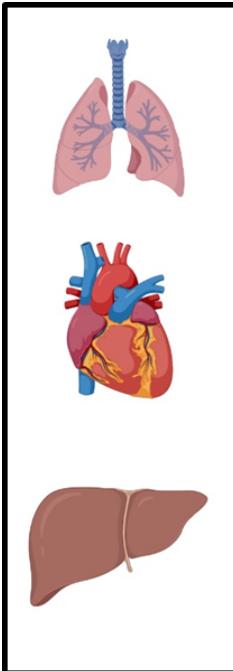




# FRAMEWORK FOR MANUFACTURING HETEROGENEOUS BIOMATERIALS



## DESIRED PRODUCT



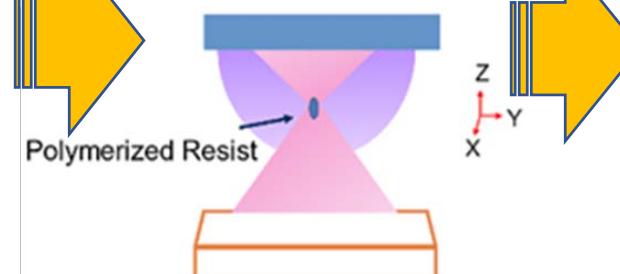
## MATERIALS DATABASE, PROCESSES

| Natural Materials             | Photoinitiators |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| Collagen I, II, III, IV, etc. | Irgacure 2959   |
| Hyaluronan                    | Riboflavin      |
| Gelatin                       | Rose Bengal     |
| Elastin                       |                 |
| Fibronectin                   |                 |

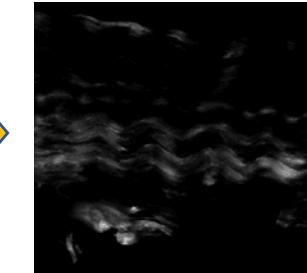
## DESIGN & MODELING PROCESS

## PROCESS

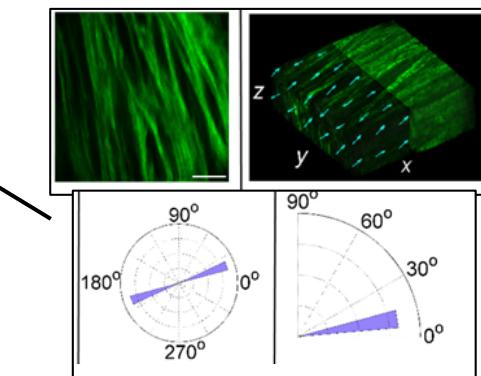
### Two-Photon Lithography



## INITIAL PRODUCT



## ADVANCED METROLOGY & BIOLOGICAL VALIDATION



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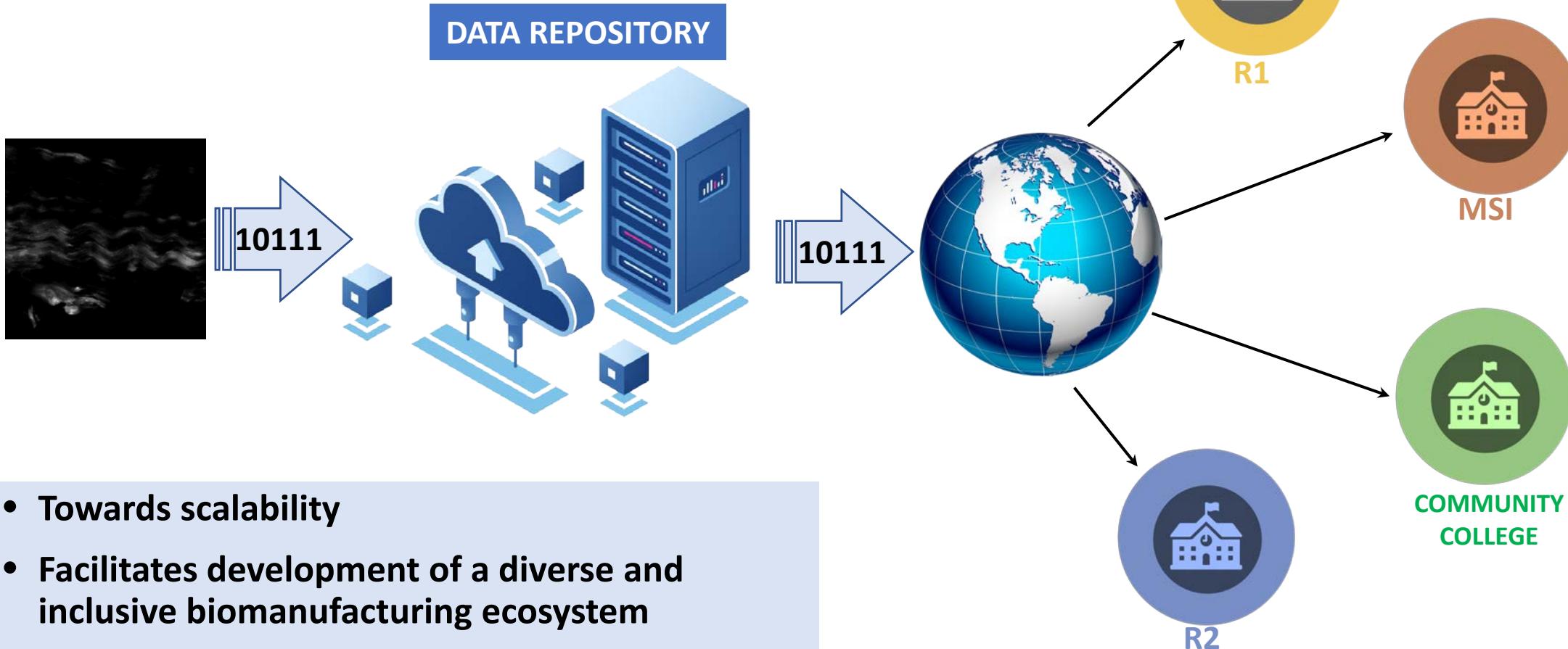
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## END PRODUCT

- Requires convergence of disciplines
- Utilize smart manufacturing framework



# DEMOCRATIZING THE BIOMANUFACTURING PROCESS





# KNOWLEDGE GAPS & TECHNOLOGICAL NEEDS

- Small footprint, ultrafast lasers with dynamic wavefront shaping
- Multiscale (and Multiphysics) modeling for complex, heterogeneous biomaterials
- New biomaterials and biocompatible and water soluble photoinitiators

