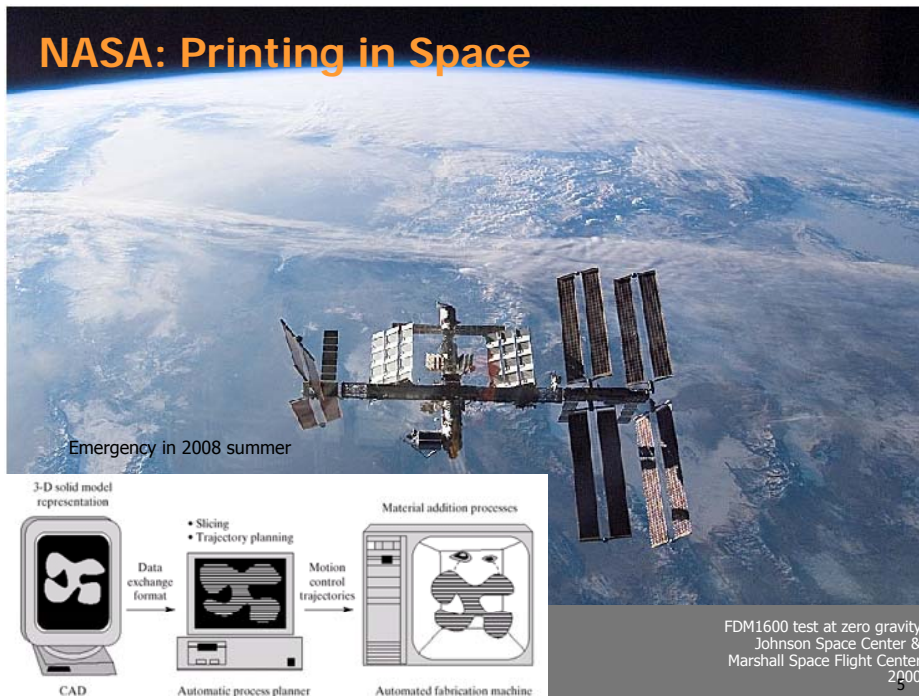


NASA: Printing in Space



쾌속조형 (Rapid Prototyping, RP)



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Requirements in Product Development

- Functional or aesthetic assessment
- Communication aids, visualization
- Assemblability checking
- 25 or 30% of product development budget are spent on physical prototypes and testing
- Rapid Prototyping fabricates a part of arbitrary shape directly from CAD model by forming thin layers of the part layer by layer

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Introduction to RP

- Other name of RP
 - Layered Manufacturing
 - Rapid Prototyping and Manufacturing
 - Solid Freeform Fabrication (SFF)
- Group of related technologies that are used to fabricate **physical objects** directly from **CAD data**
- Add and bond materials in layers to form objects
- Offer advantages compared to classical subtractive fabrication methods

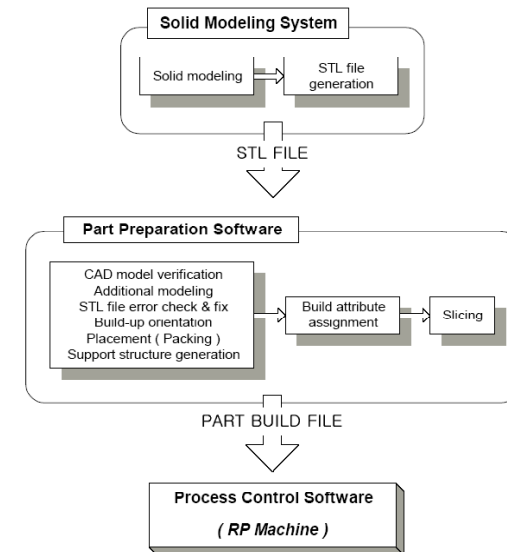
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Advantages of RP

- No need to define a blank geometry
- No need to define set-ups and material handling
- No need to consider jigs, fixtures, and clamping
- No need to design mold and die

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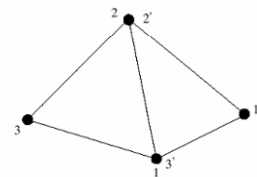
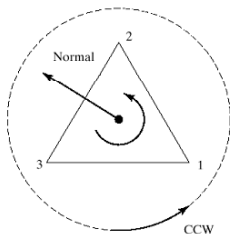
General System Configuration of RP



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Stereo Lithography Process

- Geometry Input : STL file format
 - Developed for STereo Lithography
 - *De facto* standard for RP data
 - Most CAD systems support STL format



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Stereo Lithography Process (cont.)

- STL file formats

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solid example
facet normal 6.89114779E-02 -9.96219337E-01 -5.28978631E-02
outer loop
  vertex 2.73239994E+01 1.08957005E+01 4.57905006E+01
  vertex 2.81019993E+01 1.09582005E+01 4.56250000E+01
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endloop
endfacet
:
:
endsolid example
  
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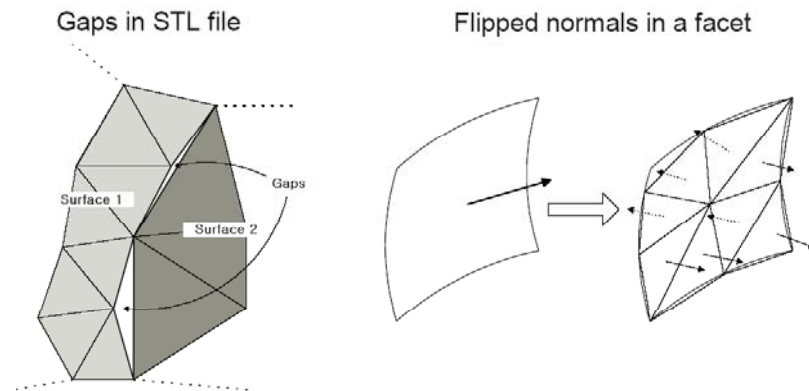
(a) ASCII

Byte	Type	Description
80	String	Head information such as the CAD system used
4	Unsigned long integer	Number of facets
First Triangle Definition		
4	Float	Normal x
4	Float	Normal y
4	Float	Normal z
4	Float	Vertex1 x
4	Float	Vertex1 y
4	Float	Vertex1 z
4	Float	Vertex2 x
4	Float	Vertex2 y
4	Float	Vertex2 z
4	Float	Vertex3 x
4	Float	Vertex3 y
4	Float	Vertex3 z
2	Unsigned long integer	Number of attributes bytes should be set to zero
Second Triangle Definition		
..		
..		

(b) Binary

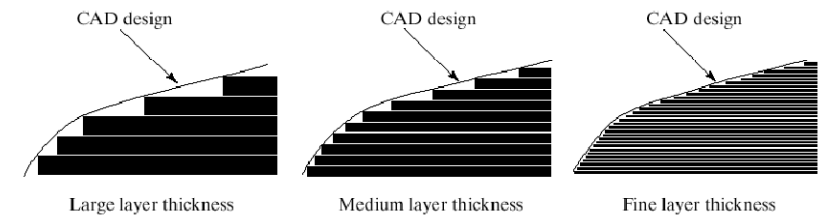
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Typical Errors in STL file



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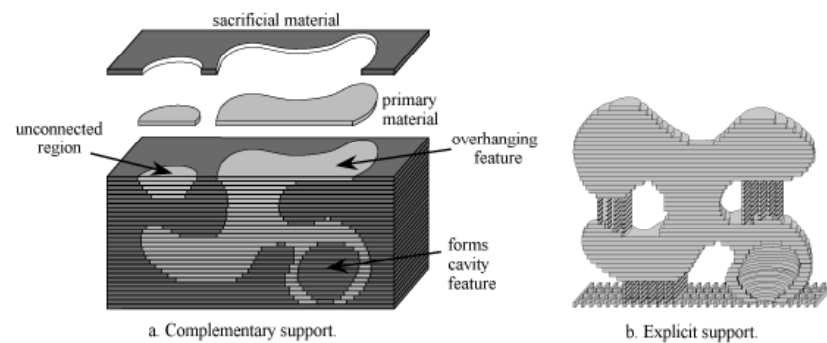
Stair-Step Effect



Surface roughness vs. build time

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Support Structures



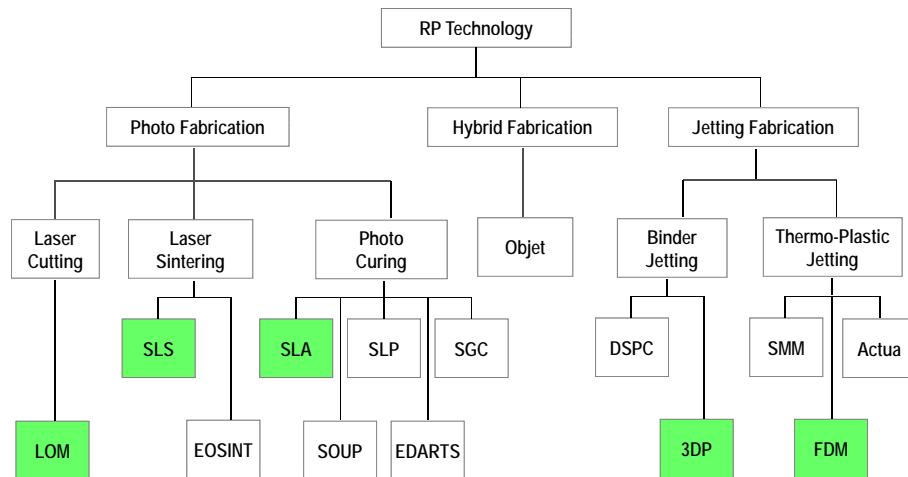
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Issues in RP

- Accuracy and Surface Finish
- Material
 - Stereo Lithography Resins
 - Metals
 - Ceramics and Paper
- Cost
 - Equipment
 - Maintenance
- Time

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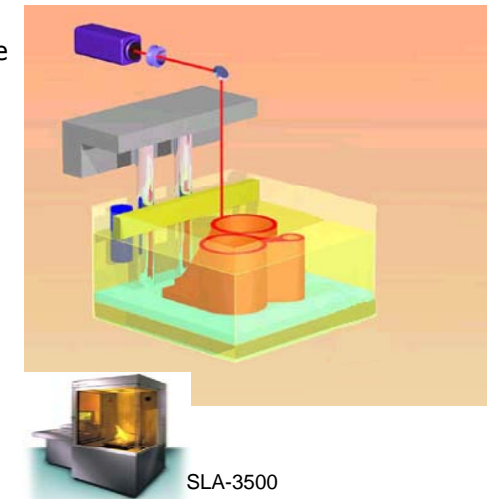
Classification of RP Technologies



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1. Stereo Lithography Apparatus (SLA)

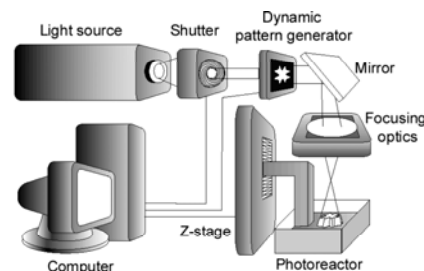
- Developed by 3D Systems, Inc.
- Laser beam will scan the surface following the contours of the slice



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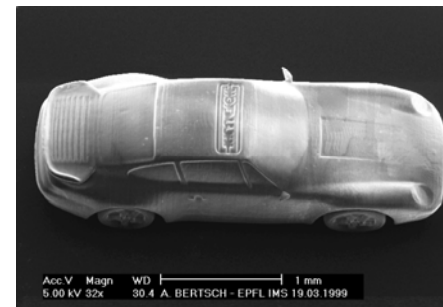
1-1. Micro Stereo Lithography (MSL)

- Technique of fabricating true 3-D micro devices for various applications such as biosensors, 3-D micro-mechanisms.
- Creating true 3-D micro devices using layer-by-layer photopolymerisation
- Higher resolution (5micron ~) as well as 3D micro fabrication capabilities

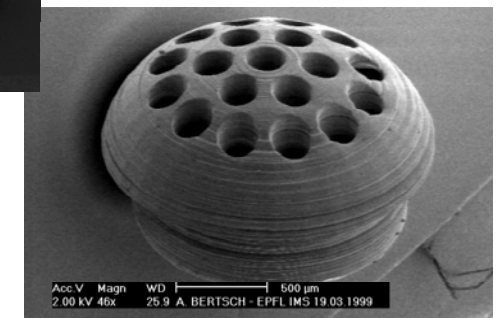


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Micro Structure of MSL Part



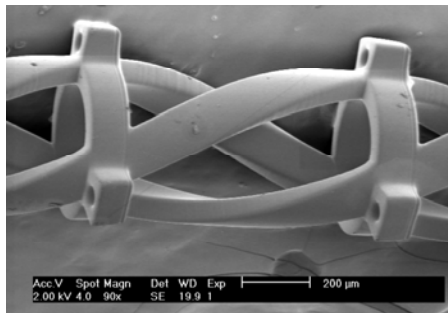
Small car, 673 layers of 5 μ m each



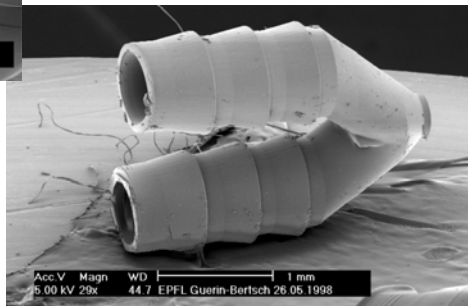
Hearing aid, 200 layers of 5 μ m each

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Micro Structure of MSL Part



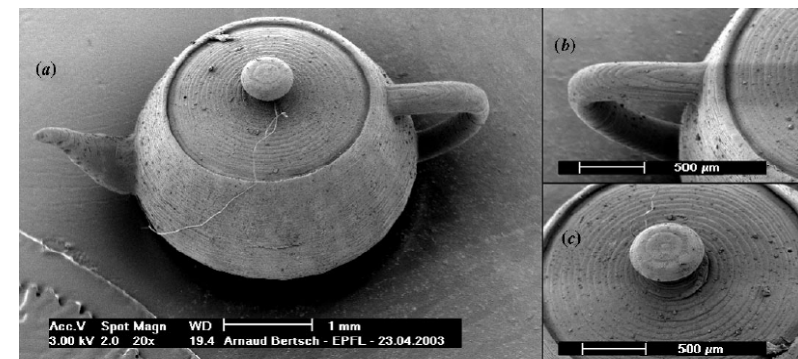
Spring, 1000 layers of 5 μm each



Micro pipe, diameter 500 μm

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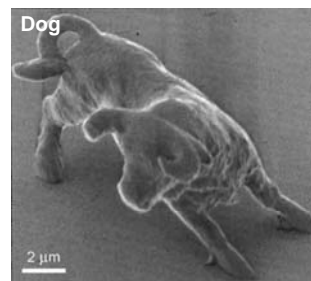
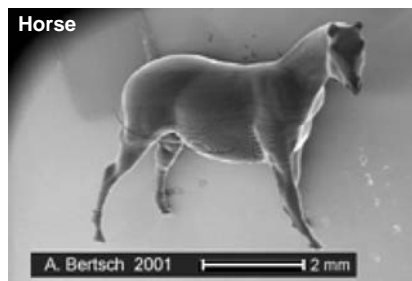
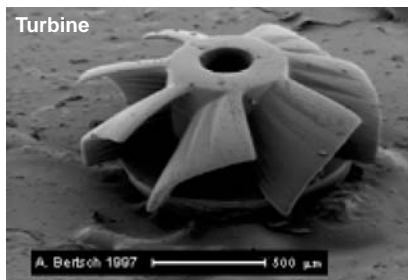
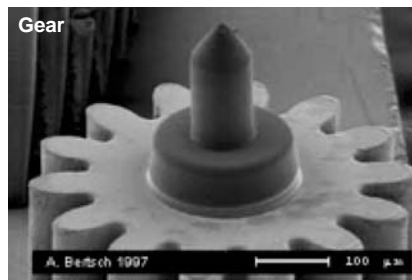
Micro Structure of MSL Part



Teapot, 295 layers of 10 μm each

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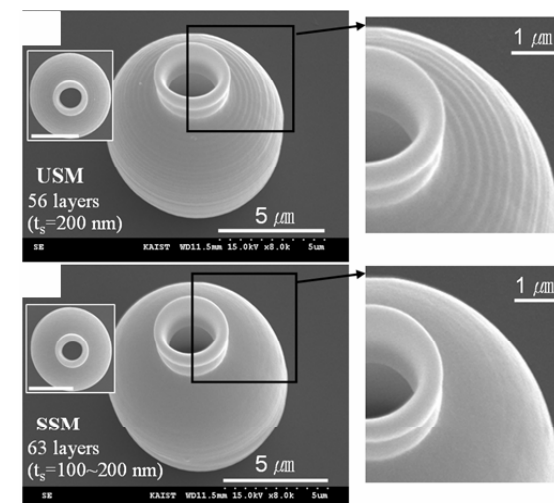
Micro Structure of MSL Part



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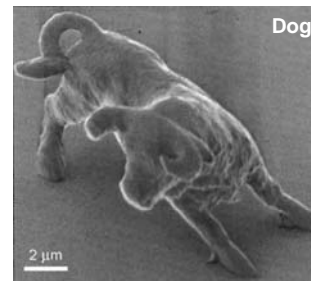
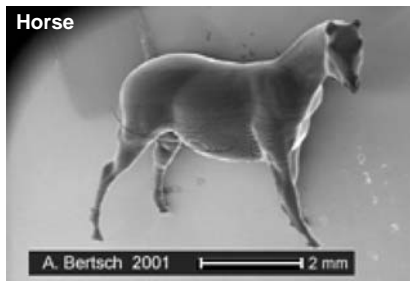
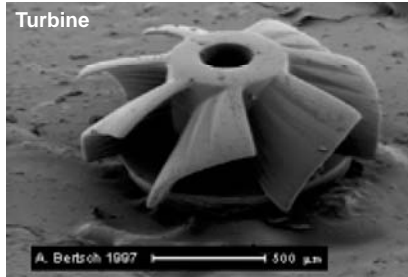
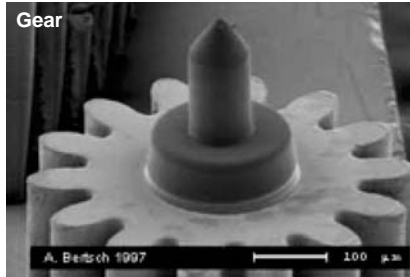
Subregional Slicing Method for MSL

- D. Y. Yang, et al KAIST 2006



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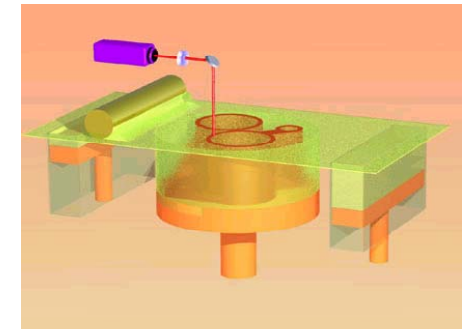
Micro SLA Part



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2. Selective Laser Sintering (SLS)

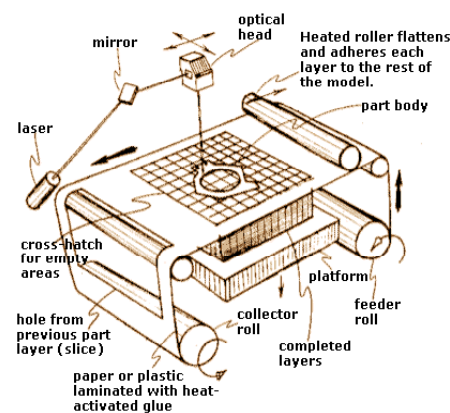
- Developed by The University of Texas at Austin
- Powders are spread over a platform by a roller
- A laser sinters selected areas causing the particles to melt and then solidify



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3. Laminated Object Modeling (LOM)

- Developed by Helysis
- The undersurface of the foil has a binder that when pressed and heated by the roller causes it to glue to the previous foil.
- The foil is cut by a laser following the contour of the slice

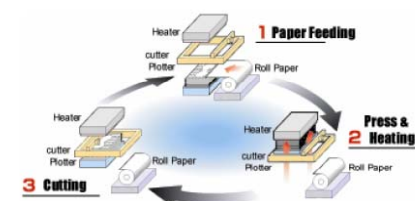


Helysis 2030E LOM machine Part envelope size 32"x22"x20"

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LOM based technique

- Paper Lamination Technology(PLT) System



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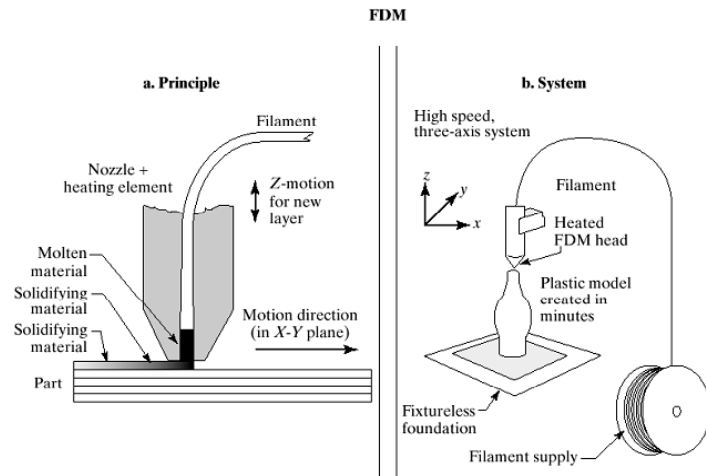


- Type: PLT-A4
- Model Material: Exclusive use sheet paper (280×190 ×200m)
- Paper Thickness: 0.08mm, 0.15mm
- Resolution: ±0.05mm (X, Y), ±0.1mm (Z)
- Accuracy: ±0.2mm



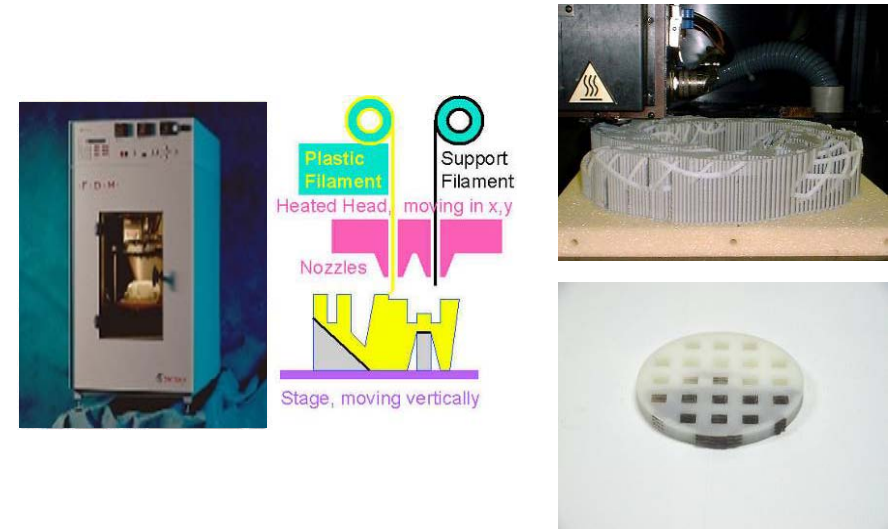
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4. Fused Deposition Modeling (FDM)



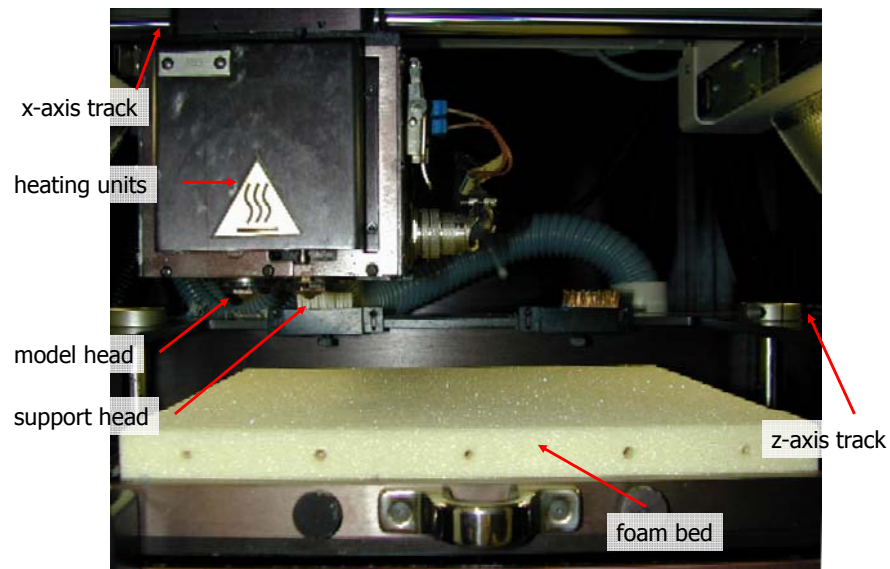
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Fused Deposition Modeling (FDM)



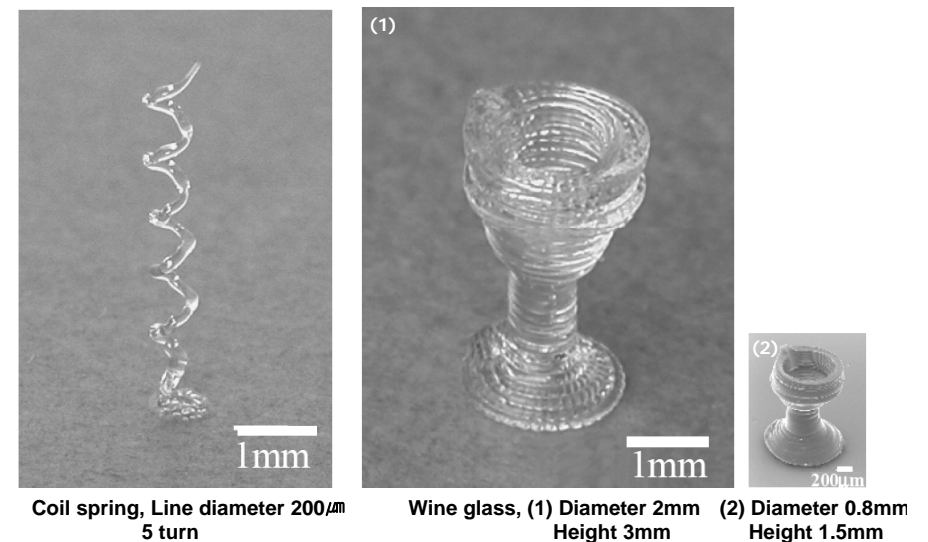
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FDM Head



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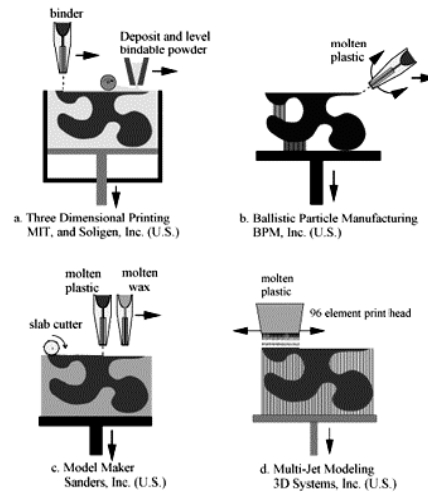
Structure of Micro FDM Part



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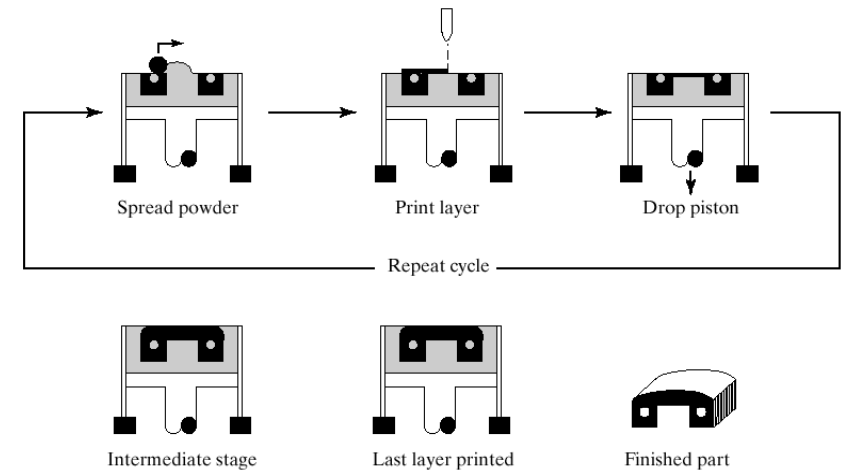
5. 3D Printers

- Developed at MIT
- Parts are built upon a platform situated in a bin full of powder material.



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3D Printing Process

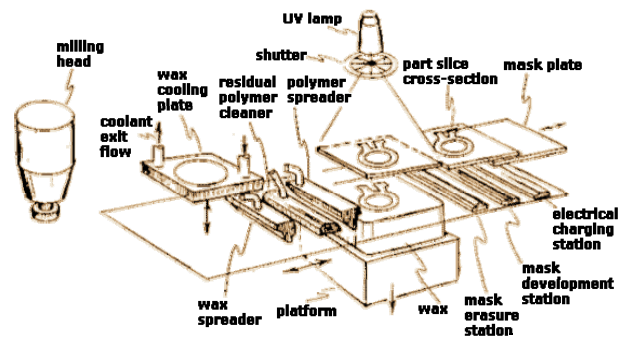


3-D printing method developed by Sachs and colleagues (2000)

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6. Solid Ground Curing (SGC)

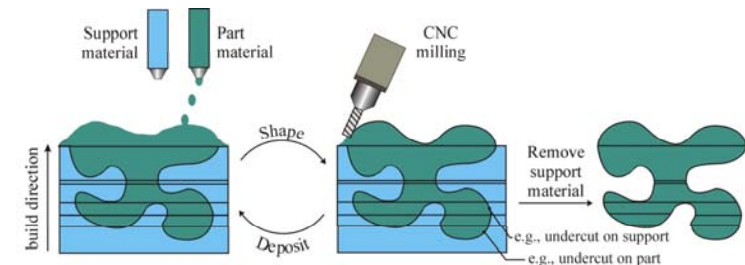
- Developed and commercialized by Cubital Ltd. (Israel)
- Uses a Photopolymer, sensitive to UV-light
- The vat moves horizontally as well as vertically
- The horizontal movements take the workspace to different stations in the machine



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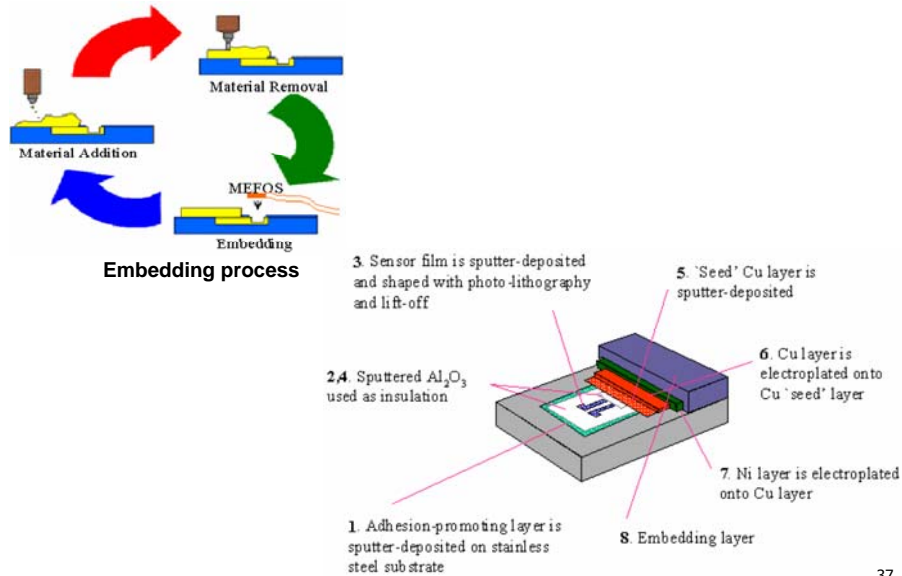
7. Shape Deposition Manufacturing (SDM)

- Developed by Stanford University/CMU
- Uses deposition and milling
- Provides good surface finish



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Embedded Sensor using Micro SDM



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Meso Structure of SDM Parts



Ceramic turbine



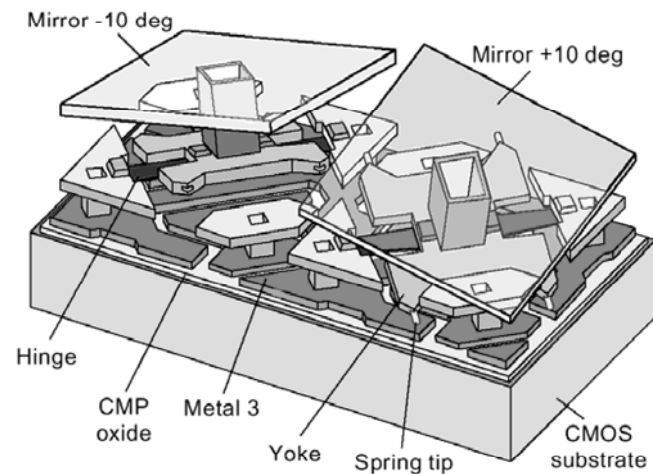
Miniature jet engine



Silicon nitride parts fabricated using mold SDM process

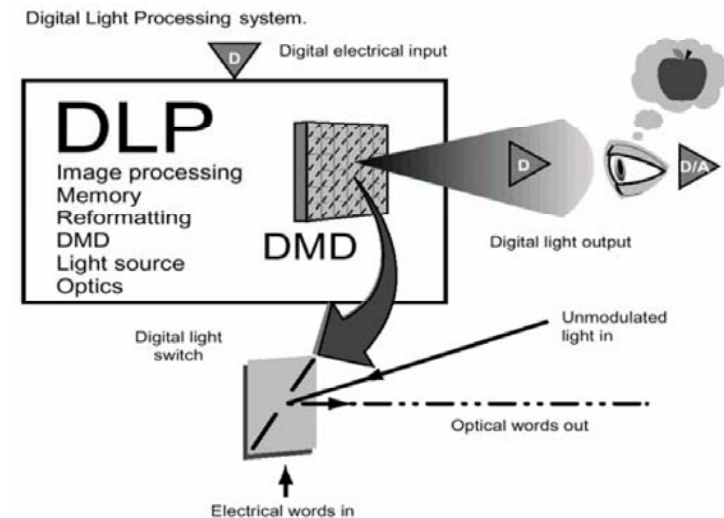
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8. Digital Light Projection (DLP)



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Application of DLP



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Conventional RP Materials

Process	Materials
Stereolithography (SLA)	PMMA Styrene Methyl Methacrylate Copolymer
Fused Deposition Modeling (FDM)	ABS, ABS/PC PVC/PMMA, PES
Selective Laser Sintering (SLS)	PMMA Aromatic Polyamide
Laminated Object Manufacture (LOM)	Paper (Cellulose Based)
3D Printers	ABS, ABS/PC PVC/PMMA, PES
Solid Ground Curing (SGC)	PMMA Styrene Methyl Methacrylate Copolymer

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Materials for SLA

UV-curable resins

Chemistry type	Viscosity (cPs)	Preferred Laser
Acrylate	1000 ~ 4000	He-Cd / Ar+
Urethane acrylate	2000	He-Cd
Epoxy	180 ~ 190	He-Cd
Vinylether	200 ~ 230	He-Cd

Ceramic and metal resin

Material	Photocurable resin viscosity (cPs)	Maximum cure depth (μm)
Alumina	~ 30000	> 800
Silica	~ 500	> 600
Zirconia	-	~ 150
Si_3N_4	~ 5000	~ 100
Stainless Steel	< 1200	~ 75
Tungsten	-	~ 62

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Comparison of Materials

- Profile of RP technologies and their potential application in 3D micro fabrication

Process tradename	Materials	Light source	Potential for 3D microfabrication
Stereolithography (SL)	Photopolymer	He-Cd laser, Argon ion laser.	Good
Somos	Photopolymer	UV laser	Good
Optical fabrication	Photopolymer	Argon ion laser	Good
Mark 1000	Photopolymer	Argon ion laser	Good
Solider	Photopolymer	UV lamps	Good
Laminated object manufacturing	Sheet (paper, plastics, etc.)	CO_2 laser	Bad
Selective laser sintering (SLS)	Plastic, metal, and ceramic powders	CO_2 laser	Bad
Light Sculpting	Photopolymer	UV lamps	Good
Ballistic particle manufacturing	Thermoplastic ink	None needed	?
Fused deposition modeling (FDM)	Thermoplastic ink	None needed	Bad

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Issues in RP Materials

- Rapid Fabrication of **functional** parts
 - Structural
 - Optical
 - Surface Roughness
 - Electrical
 - Thermal
 - Color
 - ...



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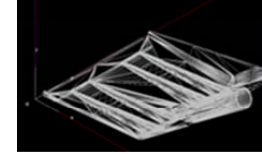
FDM Software – Three Levels

- **STL file** – Tessellated Stereolithography file – export from solid modeling package
- **SSL file** – Sliced Layer File, Support Calculation – Proper part orientation can drastically affect build time, support requirements, and part strength
- **SML file** – Raster, Build Parameters, time estimation

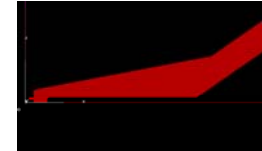
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Case study: Collapsible Shovel Head

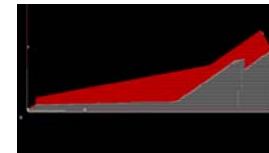
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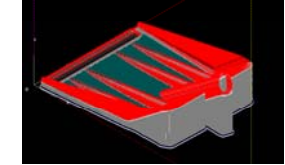
2. Vertically Sliced File



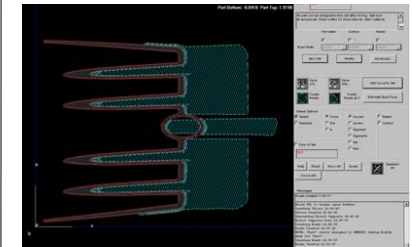
3. Support Calculation



4. Road Generation



5. SML file



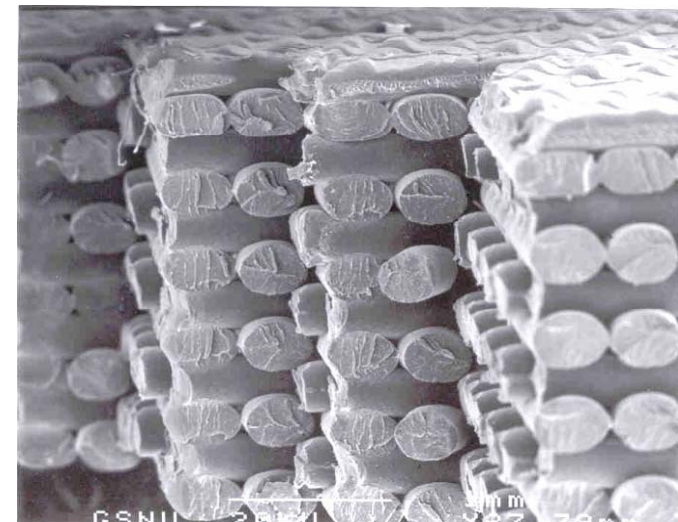
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FDM Build Parameters - Software

- Perimeters, Contours, Raster (Road type)
 - Perimeter: Follows outer shape of current slice - ideal for cosmetic outer surface
 - Contour: Follows shape of perimeter on part interior - not commonly used as it leaves gaps
 - Raster: Standard back and forth part fill - adds strength to part, composite theory (raster angles)
- Road width - Dependant on nozzle size and feed rate - ranges from .012 to .0396 for T12 nozzle
- Air Gap - Gap between roads - allows for tightly fused, strong surface, or sparse, quick building fill

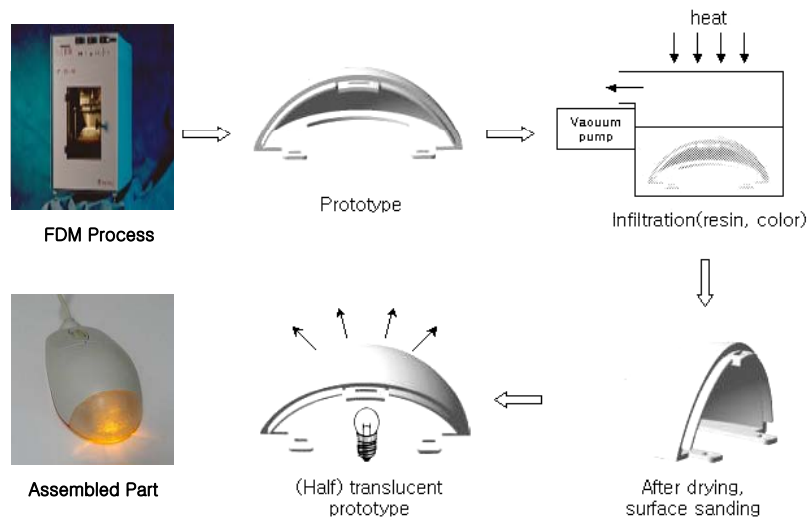
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Micro Structure of FDM



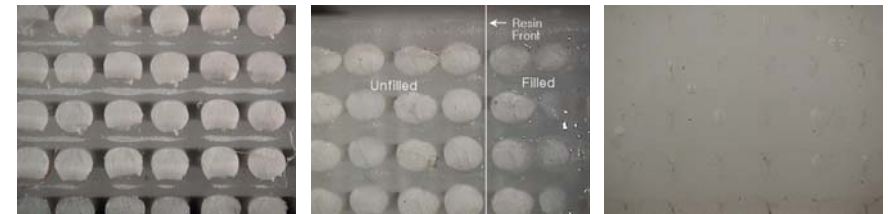
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Part Post-process of FDM



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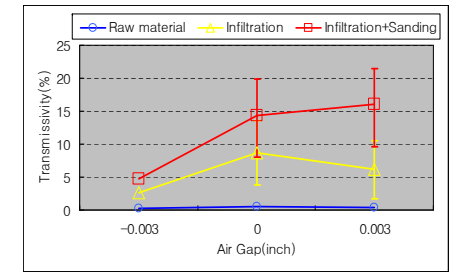
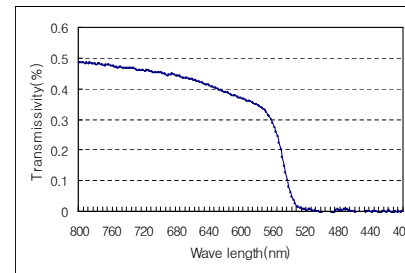
Resin Infiltration



Raw FDM ABSi

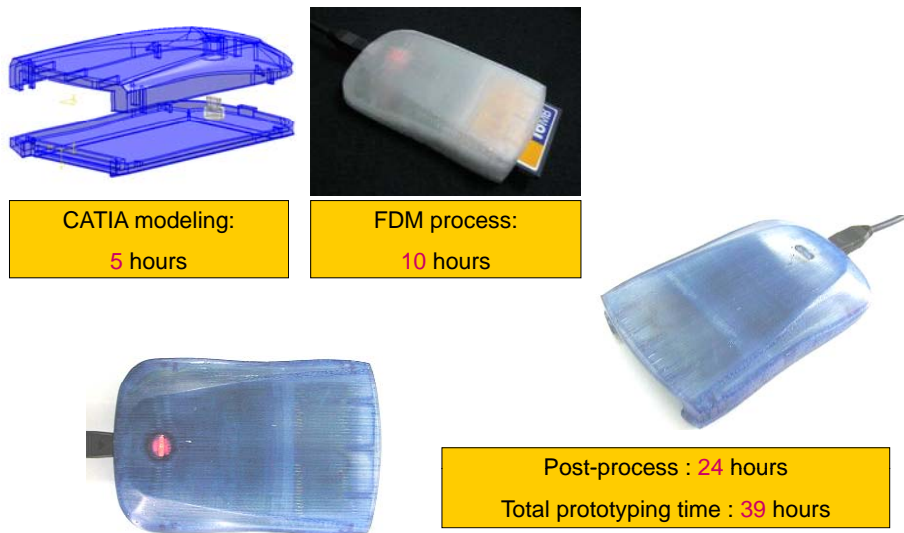
During Infiltration

After Infiltration



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Flash Memory Reader



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Gallery

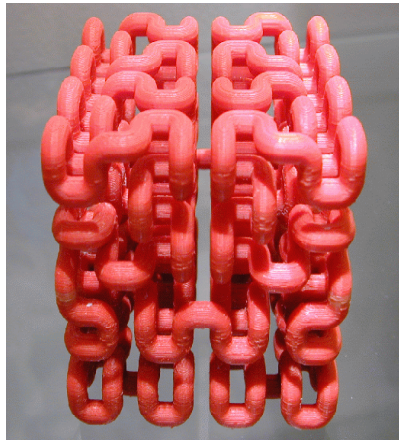
- SLA



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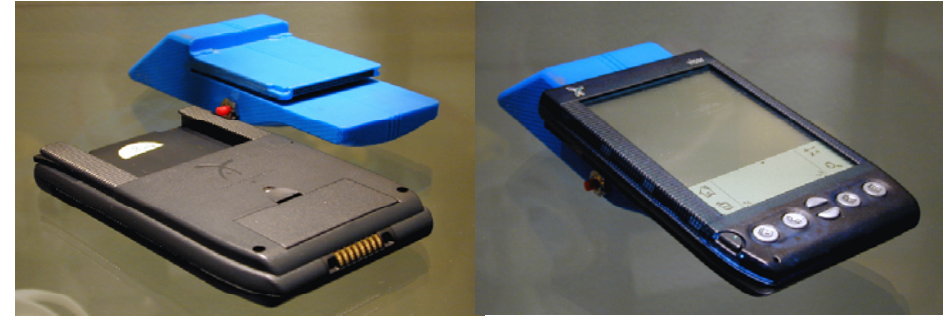
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- FDM

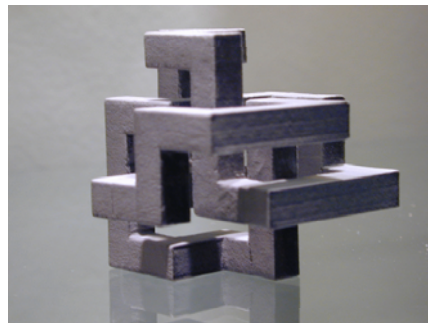
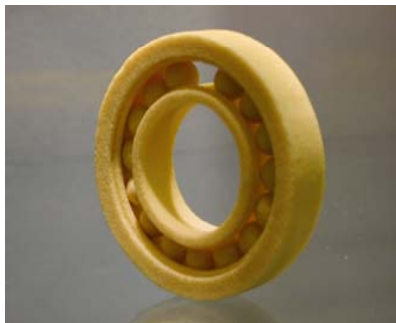


GPS module for PDA

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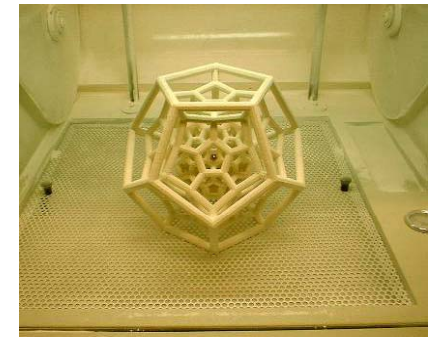
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- SLS



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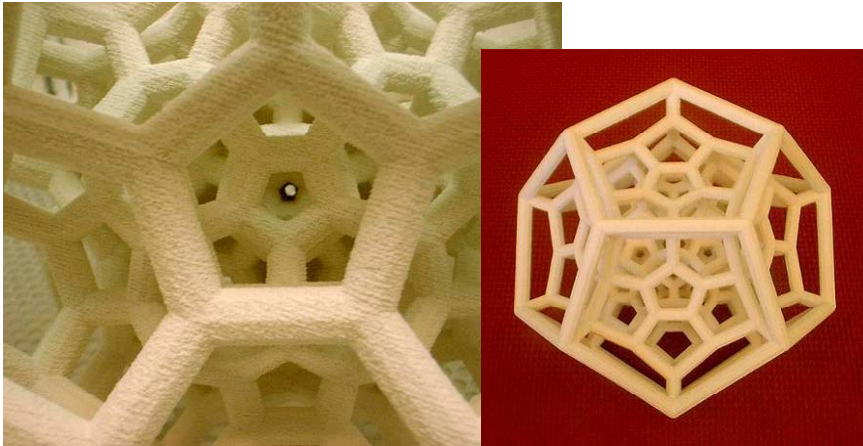
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- Z- corp (3D Printer)



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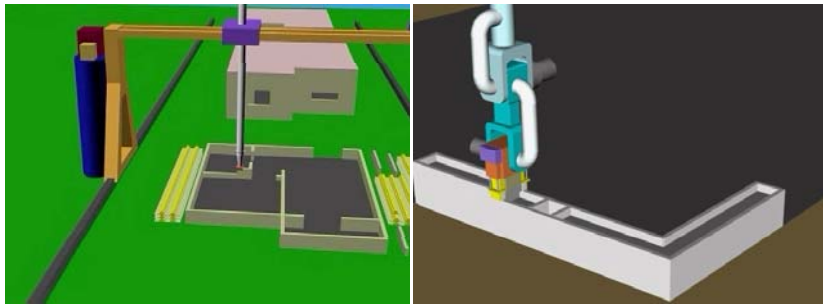
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Applications

- Architectures



A machine mounted on rails might be used to build multiple houses

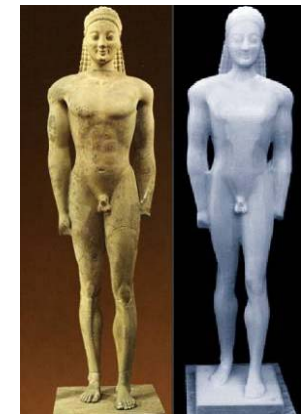
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Applications (cont.)

- Materialization of arts



Lifting the kouroi out of the Mammoth



The original Volomandra Kouros and the SLA replica

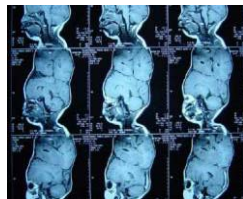
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Applications (cont.)

Medical Domain



Before surgery



CT Scan



RP part



After surgery



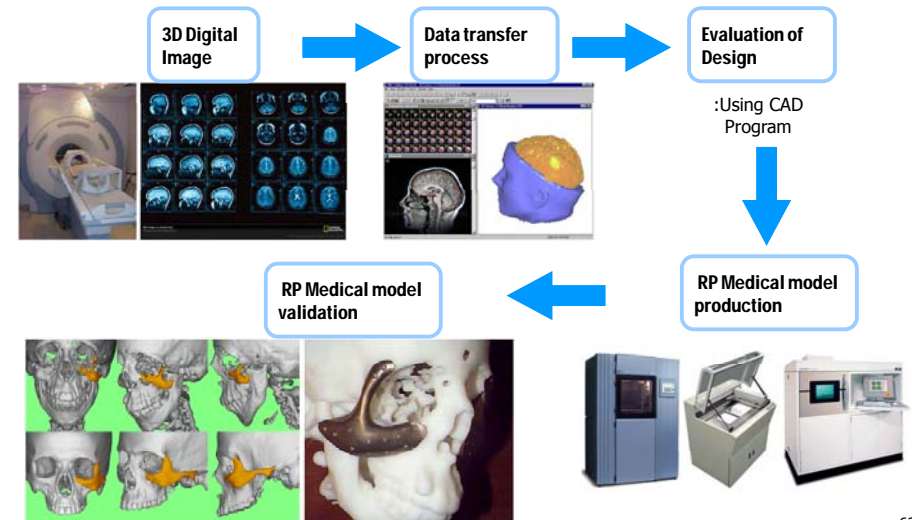
Virtual surgery



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MRP (Medical rapid prototyping)

3D model creation process



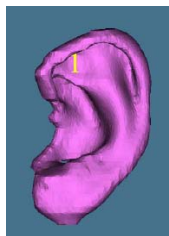
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Tissue Engineering

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CAD modeling



RP part



Rehabilitated ear

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Applications (cont.)

Micro component



Micro robot by Sandia Lab

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Applications (cont.)

▪ Rapid Tooling (RT)



DTM's RapidTool™ process for rapid mold making



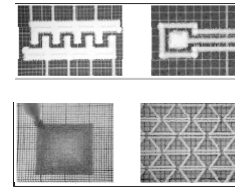
Core and cavity sets produced by RapidTool™

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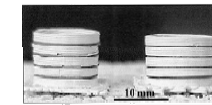
▪ Other Examples

Patterning with Ceramic

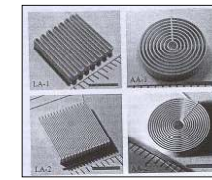


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Artificial Bone and Ear



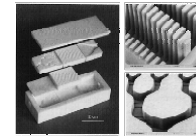
Artificial bone



Artificial ear

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Bio-compatible Material

Microreactor

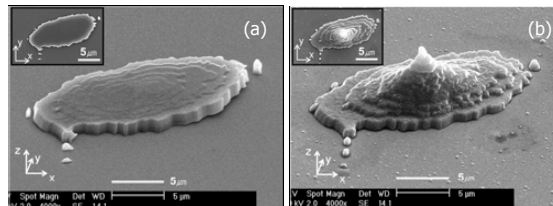


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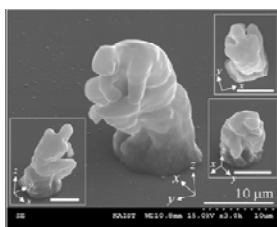
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3D Nano/Micro Parts

▪ Two-photon Stereolithography

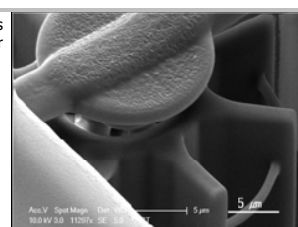


SEM images of fabricated islands with (a) actual and (b) exaggerated ratio of height vs. width by controlling both exposure time and laser power simultaneously. Inset is top view of the structure



Fabricated micro-prototypes of a micro rotor

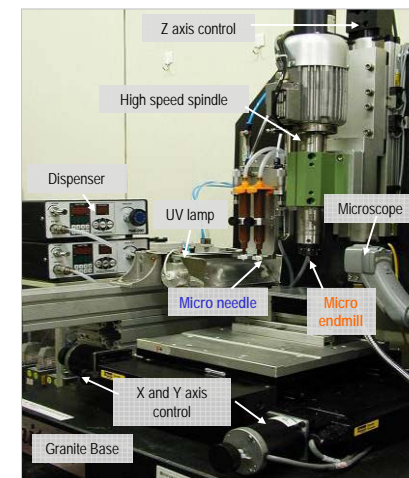
SEM images of fabricated micro-Thinker by double-scanning path. The insets are the same micro-Thinker with various view angles, and the scale bars are 10 μ m



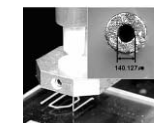
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Hybrid RP System

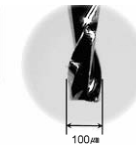
▪ Hardware



- ✓ Deposition; Rapid Prototyping
- ✓ Cutting; Milling
- ✓ Hybrid; Both



Micro needle



Micro endmill

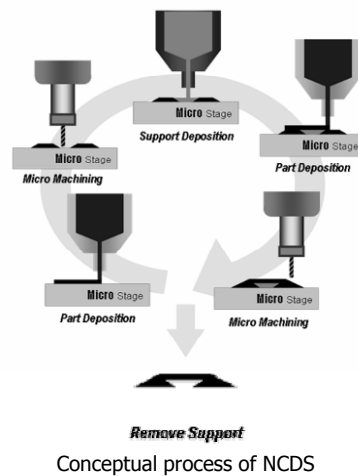
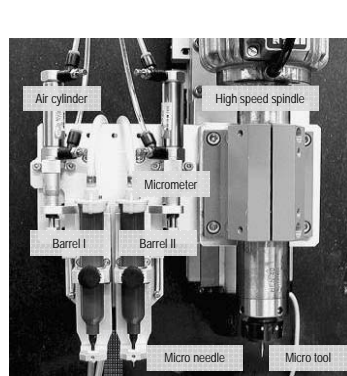
SPECIFICATIONS

3 Axes-stage	1 μ m resolution
Dispenser	15 ~ 700 kPa
Micro needle	ϕ 140 μ m ~ ϕ 800 μ m
Micro tool	ϕ 100 μ m ~ ϕ 1000 μ m
High speed spindle	Max. 46,000rpm
UV curing system	0 ~ 400 W, λ = 365 nm
Controller	PMAC (Multi-tasking board)

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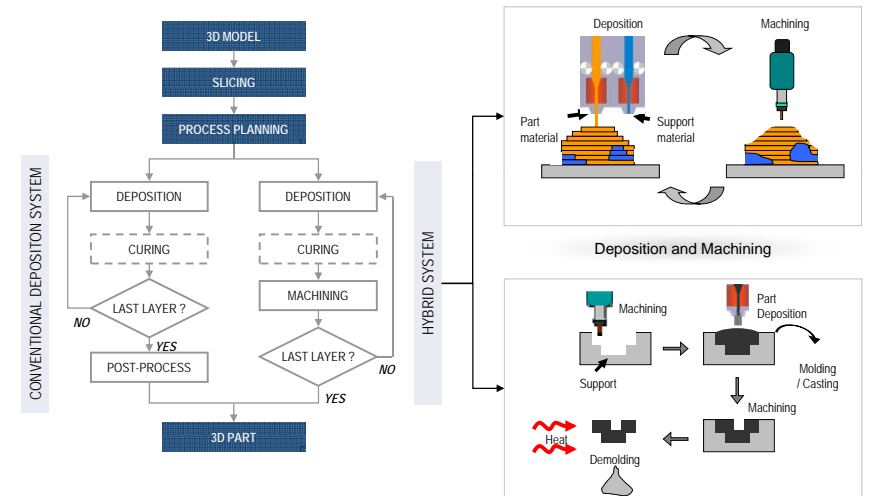
Hybrid RP System (cont.)

- Hybrid process: depositing + machining

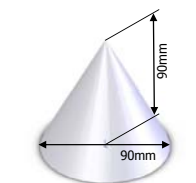


Hybrid RP System (cont.)

- Process planning

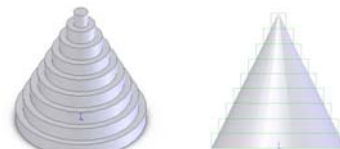


CAD Model and NC Codes



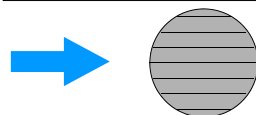
CAD design of a microcone

Slicing: Slice into 9 layers, layer thickness is 10mm

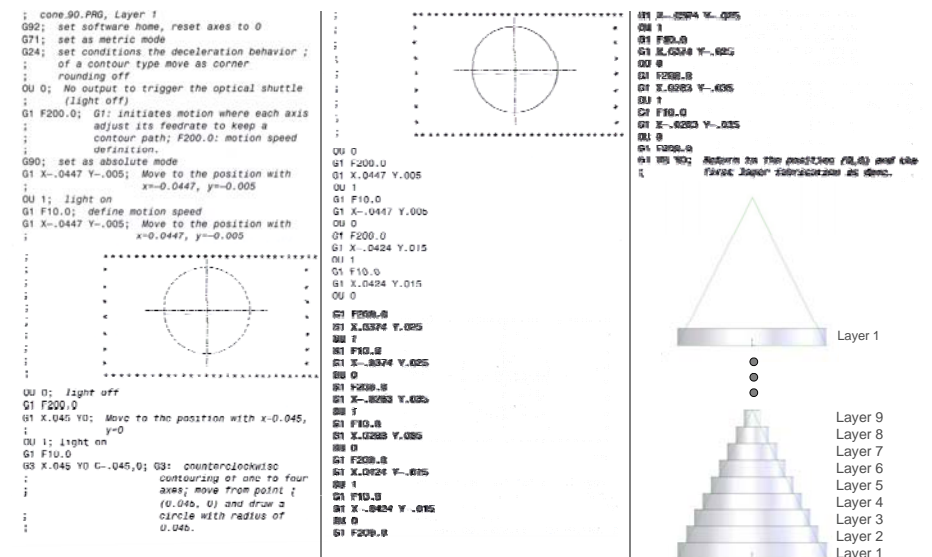


Layer model of a microcone

Hatching: Parallel line spacing, filling between lines is 10mm



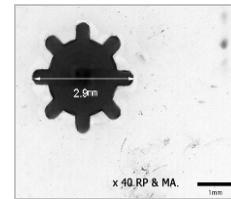
NC Codes for the Cone



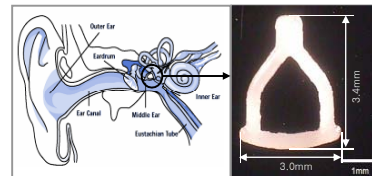
Nano Composite Parts

- Micro Gear
 - A gear geometry with ϕ 2.9mm was fabricated
 - 5wt% MWCNT + Acrylic resin
 - Dispensing process using ϕ 300 μ m needle
micro milling using ϕ 100 μ m flat endmill
- Stapes
 - The smallest bone in human body, width 2.5mm / height 3.5mm
 - 40wt% Hydroxyapatite + Acrylic resin
 - Dispensing process using ϕ 140 μ m needle
micro milling using ϕ 100 μ m flat endmill
 - Mold (using wax) machining \rightarrow part deposition
 \rightarrow surface machining \rightarrow demolding
- Fabrication time

Parts	Average Time (min)
Micro Gear	2
Stapes	15



Microscope picture of microgear

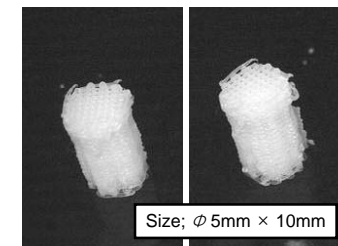
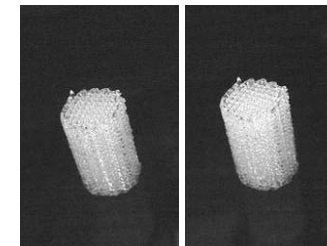
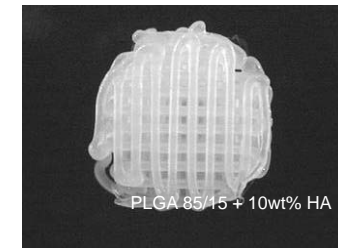
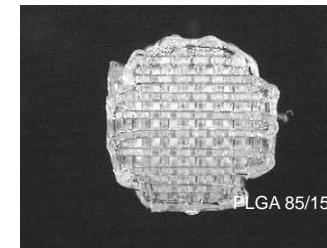


Geometry of stapes

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Scaffold for Bone Growth

- Bio-degradable polymer

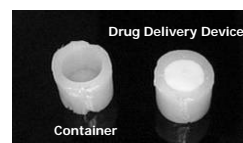
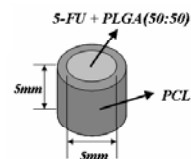
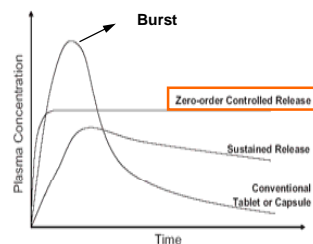


Size; ϕ 5mm \times 10mm

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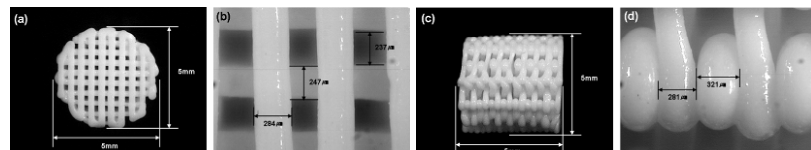
Drug Delivery System (DDS)

- Specimen for Zero-order Release Test



Fabricated container and drug delivery device

- Scaffold Shape of DDS (Controlled Pore Size)



Fabricated drug delivery device of scaffold shape (15 layers, $[0^\circ/90^\circ]_7$, 5mm \times 5mm)

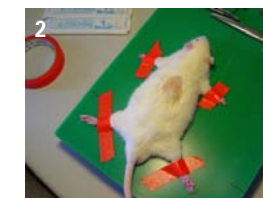
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DDS (cont.)

- In vivo* test with Sprague-dawley Rat



Anesthetize mouse



Remove hairs



Incise back skin

Anesthesia

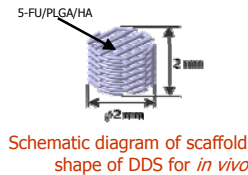
When implantation (100mg/kg for Sprague-dawley Rat)
 - 25mg of Ketamine(90vol%)+Xylazine(10vol%)
 - 1 ml needle

When picking the specimen
 - Inhale anesthetize using ether

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DDS (cont.)

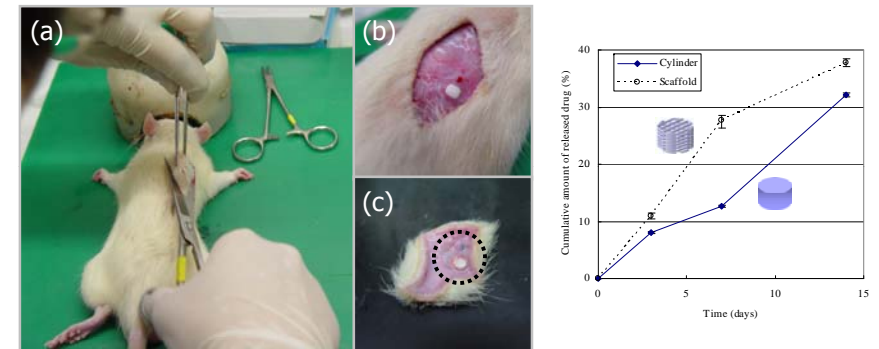
- Implantation of DDS
 - Scaffold type of DDS
 - $\phi 2\text{mm} \times 2\text{mm}$ size of DDS for implantation
 - 5-FU(10wt%)/PLGA(85:15)(85wt%)/HA(5wt%)



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DDS (cont.)

- Collecting implanted DDS form Sprague-dawley rat



(a) Resection of back skin of the rat, (b) DDS in the back of the rat, and (c) DDS in resected skin

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Conclusions

- Rapid Prototyping is used for product development, sculptures, and functional prototypes
- RP has advantages over other fabrication technologies in terms of fabrication time part's complexity
- Various new RP processes are under development and commercialized
- Some RP processes may fabricate 3D parts in micro scale
- Functional materials and precision of parts are important issues in RP
- Various bio-medical applications using RP are under investigation
- Multi-material and multi-functional parts made by RP will broaden the applications of RP technology

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