

An introduction to Bio-Digital Convergence

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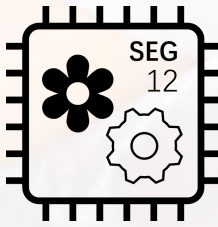
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BioDigital Convergence



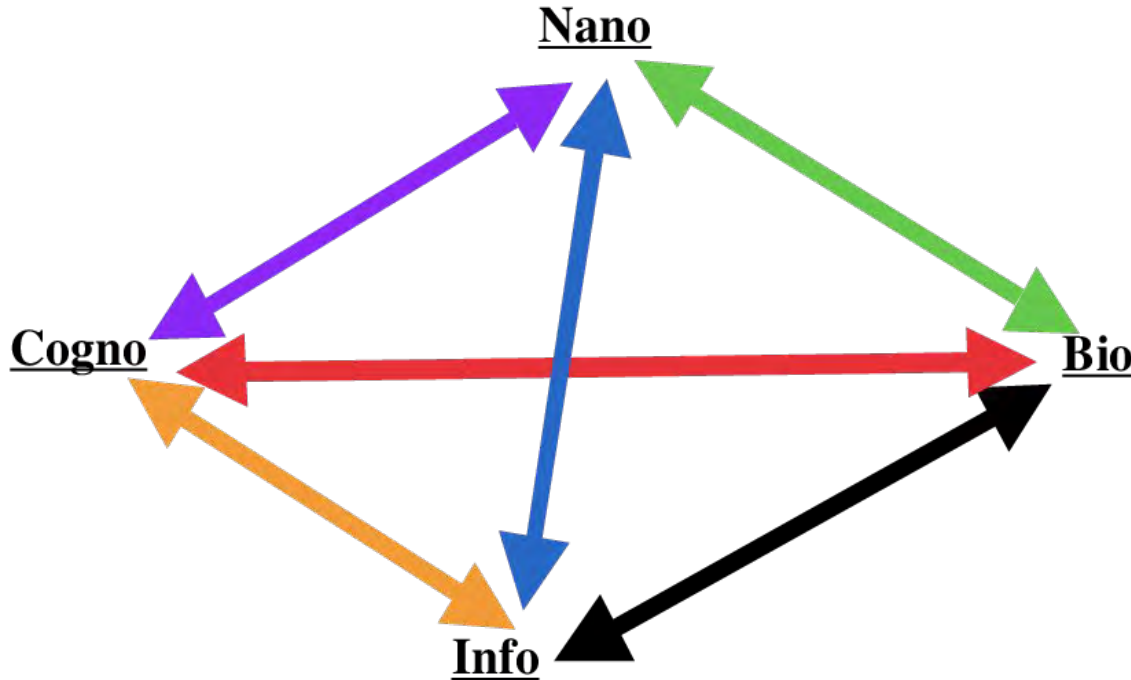
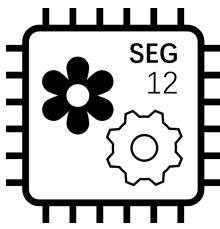
**convergence of engineering,
nanotechnology, biotechnology,
information technology and cognitive
science**

Note 1 to entry: convergence means the creative union of sciences, technologies, engineering and peoples, focused on mutual benefit; this is a process requiring increasing integration across traditionally separate disciplines, areas of relevance, and across multiple levels of abstraction and organization.

[SOURCE: Modified from: M. C. Roco, W. S. Bainbridge, B. Tonn, and G. Whitesides, Eds., *Convergence of Knowledge, Technology and Society: Beyond Convergence of Nano-Bio-Info-Cognitive Technologies*. Cham: Springer International Publishing, 2013. doi: 10.1007/978-3-319-02204-8.]

BioDigital Convergence -

a ~20 years old concept!



In the context of BioDigital convergence, *'The phrase "convergent technologies" refers to the synergistic combination of four major "NBIC"(Nano-Bio-Info-Cogno) provinces of science and technology, each of which is currently progressing at a rapid rate: (a) nanoscience and nanotechnology; (b) biotechnology and biomedicine, including genetic engineering; (c) information technology, including advanced computing and communications; and, (d) cognitive science, including cognitive neuroscience.'* [1]

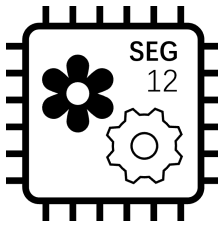


[1] Roco, Mihail & Bainbridge, William (2003). Converging Technologies for Improving Human Performance.

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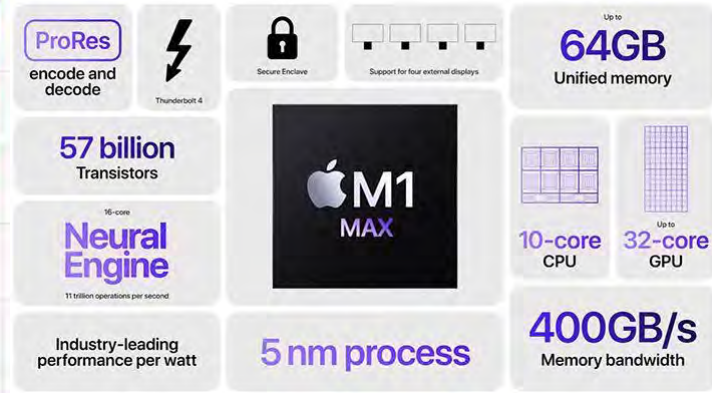
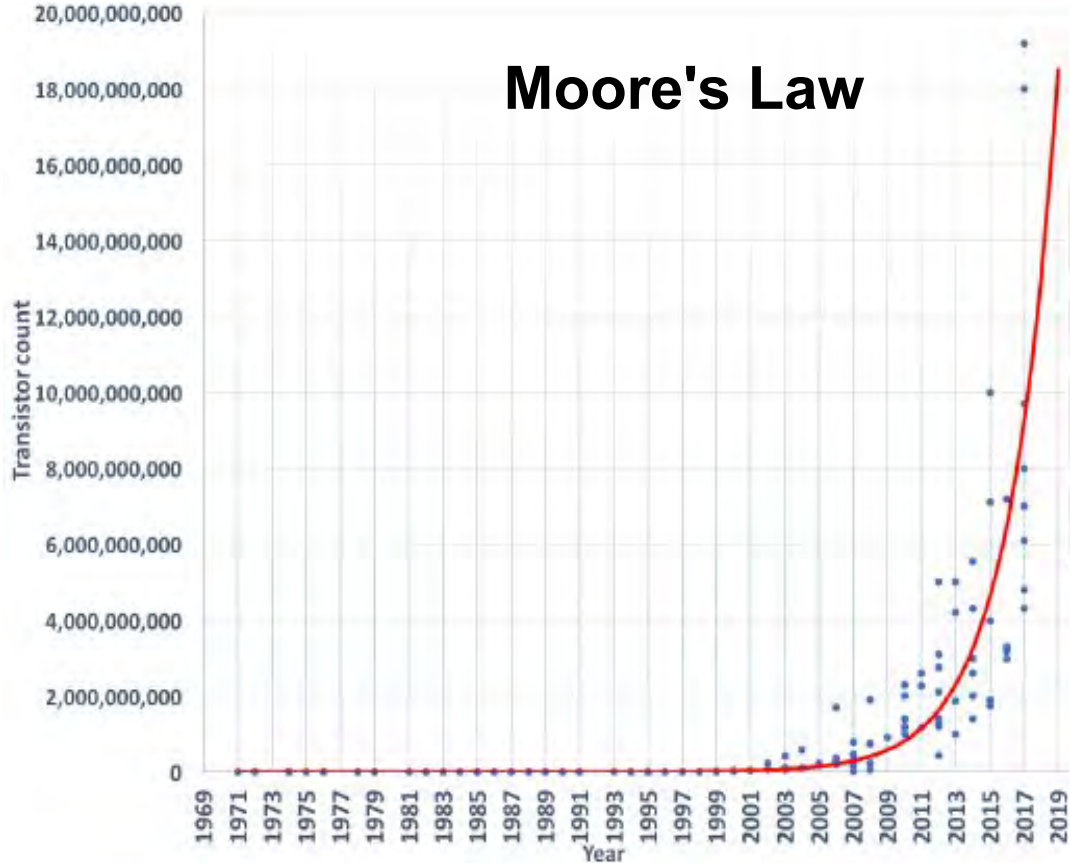
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IT has changed a lot in the last 20 years



https://bjc.edc.org/bjc-r/cour/programming/6-computers/2-history-impact/2-moore.html?topic=ryc_bjc%2F6-how-computers-work:topic&course=bjc4nyc.html&noassignment

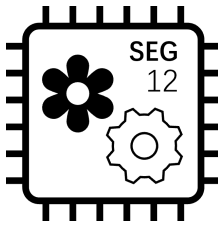
Moore's Law



- ProRes encode and decode
- Thunderbolt 4
- Secure Enclave
- Support for four external displays
- Up to 64GB Unified memory
- 57 billion Transistors
- 16-core Neural Engine (11 billion operations per second)
- 10-core CPU
- Up to 32-core GPU
- Industry-leading performance per watt
- 5 nm process
- 400GB/s Memory bandwidth

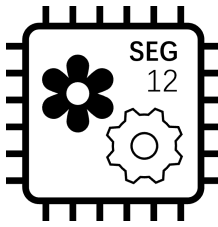
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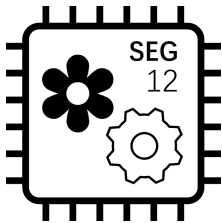


A systems engineering view of BioDigital Convergence

Reverse Engineering (e.g. Science)



How digital technologies are turbocharging the reverse engineering (*deep understanding*) of biological systems (and systems of systems)

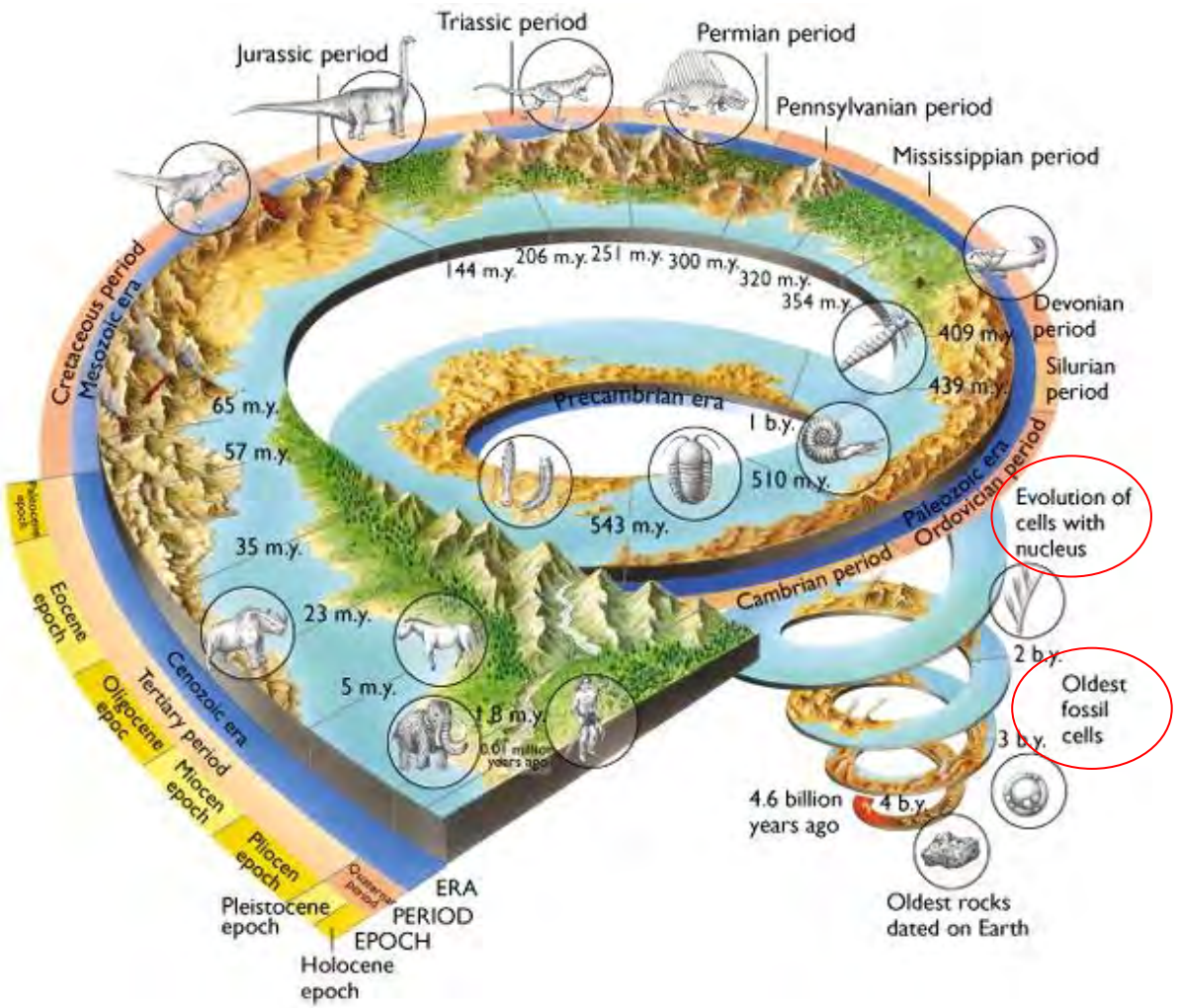


Timeline of life



evolution on earth

<https://academic.oup.com/blogs/timeline-of-life-evolution-on-earth/>



Oldest fossil cell:

~ 3.4×10^9 years ago?

Oldest fossil cell with nucleus:

~ 1.5×10^9 years ago (or more?)

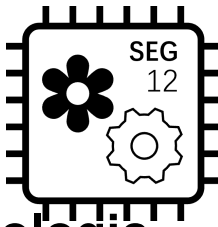
Oldest fossil multicellular organism:

~ 10^9 years ago

Oldest animal:

~ 0.57×10^9 years ago

Reverse Engineering of Life



Living Systems:

Descriptive:

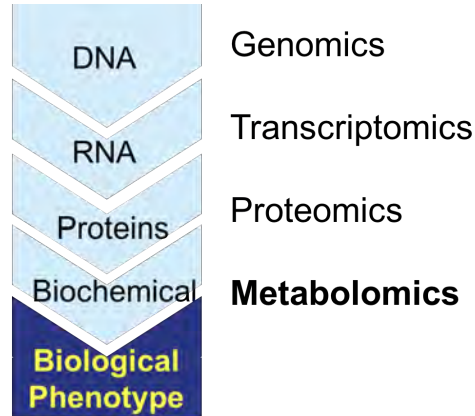
- Genomics
- Transcriptomics
- Proteomics
- Metabolomics
- Epigenetics
- Microbiomics

Systems integration

- Physiology

'Life-cycle'

- Epigenetics
- Developmental biology
- Evolution

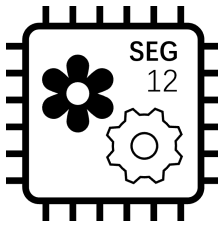


<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Metabolomics>

Environment and biologic system of systems:

- Exposomics
- Ecosystems
- Ecosystem Evolution
- Gaia

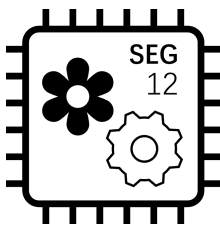
How much information?



For a human

- **Genome: $\sim 3 \times 10^9$ base pairs, ~ 700 MB of very complex programming - need a cellular factory to 'decode' and additional 'instructions' to 'execute' $\sim 22\,000$ genes**
- + *mitochondrial DNA* ($\sim 17\,000$ base pairs)
- **Proteome: $\sim 20\,000$ proteins (encoded in about 1% of the human genome)**
- **Metabolome: $\sim +110\,000$ molecules**
- **Microbiome: $\sim +316\,000\,000$ genes.**

Cost per genome data - August 2020

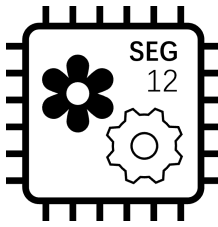


Cost per Human Genome

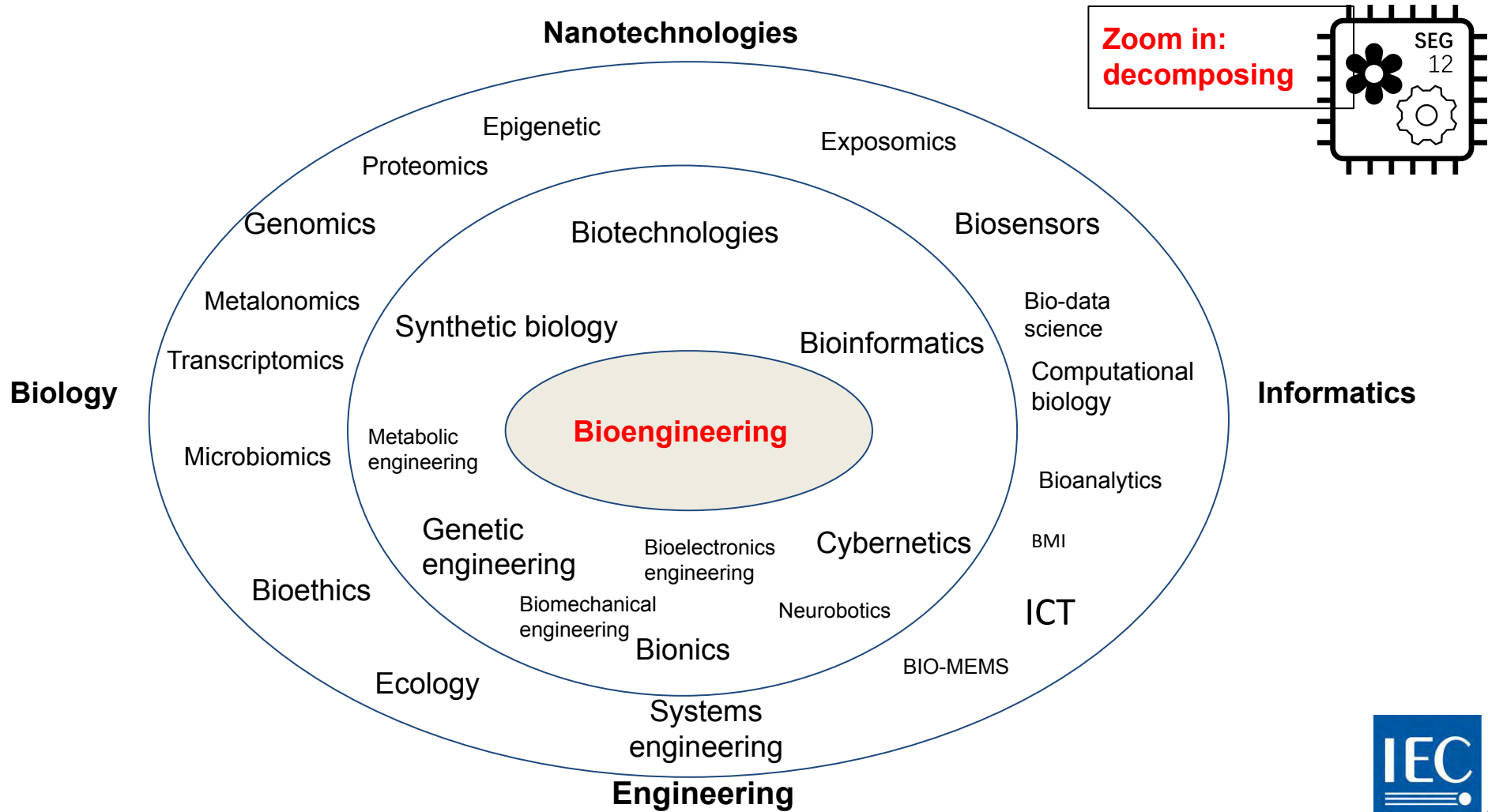


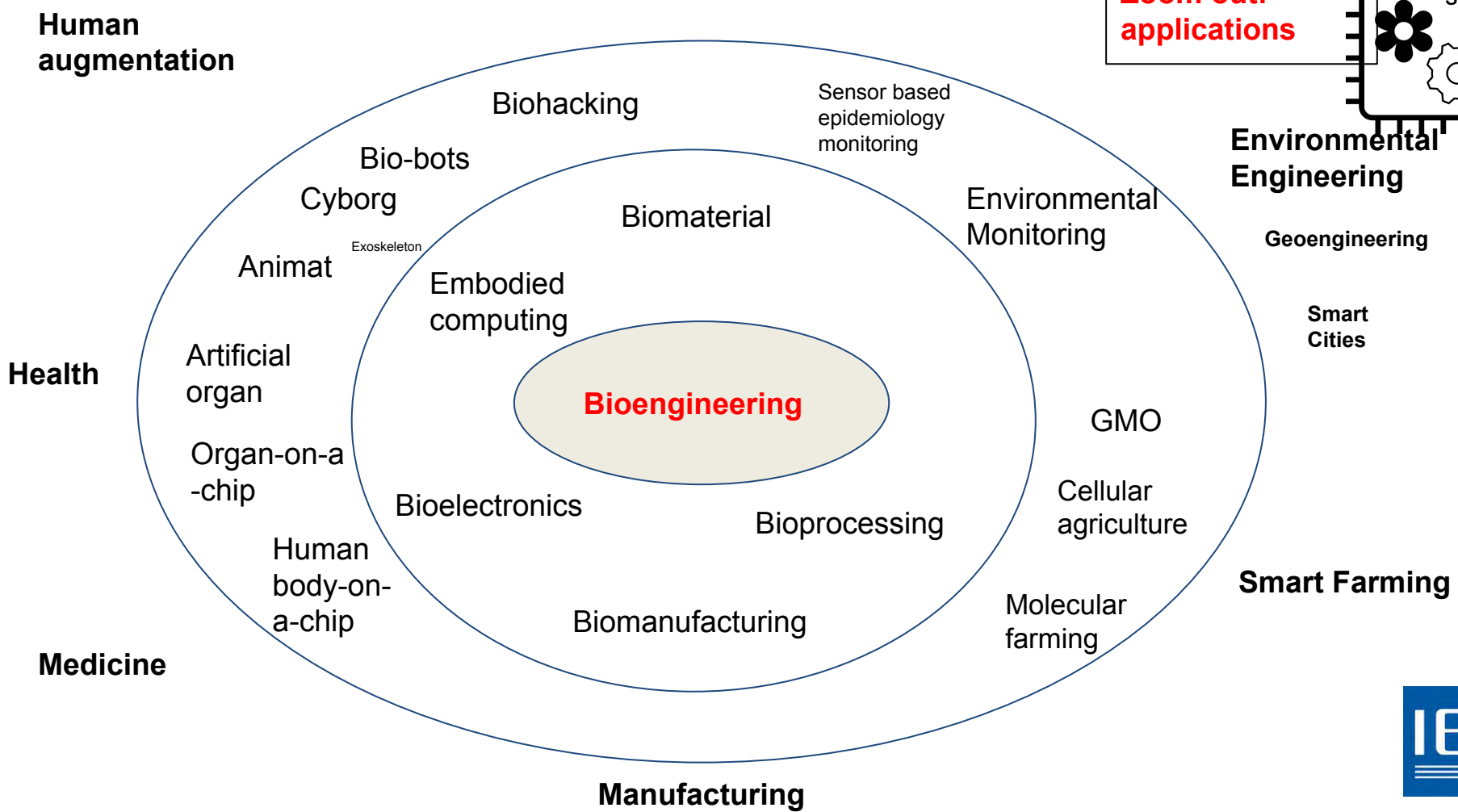
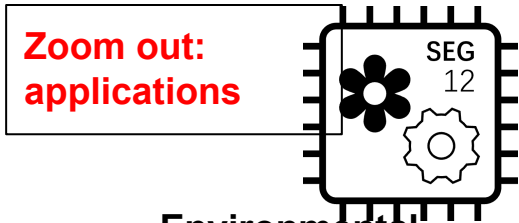
<https://www.genome.gov/about-genomics/fact-sheets/DNA-Sequencing-Costs-Data>

Forward Engineering



How digital technologies are turbocharging the engineering of biological systems and systems of systems (*enabling bioengineering*)





Human augmentation

Health

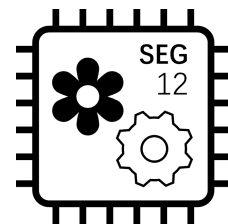
Medicine

Manufacturing

Environmental Engineering

Smart Farming





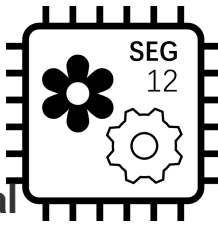
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A systems approach

A systems approach focuses on the overarching system and its individual parts



IEC Standardization Evaluation Group (SEG)



The purpose of the standardization evaluation group is to assess systems including several technologies, that are normally covered by the work of more than one technical committee (TC). SEGs are set up both to evaluate new technology areas and to look at existing systems and technologies.

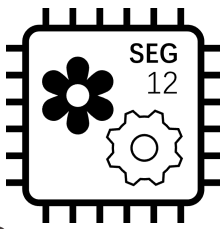
SEGs are mandated to:

- define a system and its scope
- identify all impacted stakeholders
- pinpoint relevant technical committees, existing standards and gaps
- propose architectures and roadmaps

The SEG will publish the results of its work so that it can be viewed by all interested parties. SEGs invite the involvement of many experts, including those who do not yet participate in IEC work.

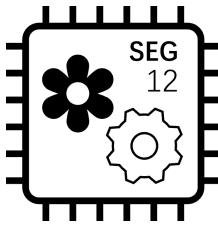
SEGs don't coordinate the technical work between different TCs, this is the role of the Systems Committee (SyC), see column on the right.

IEC/SEG 12 - Scope

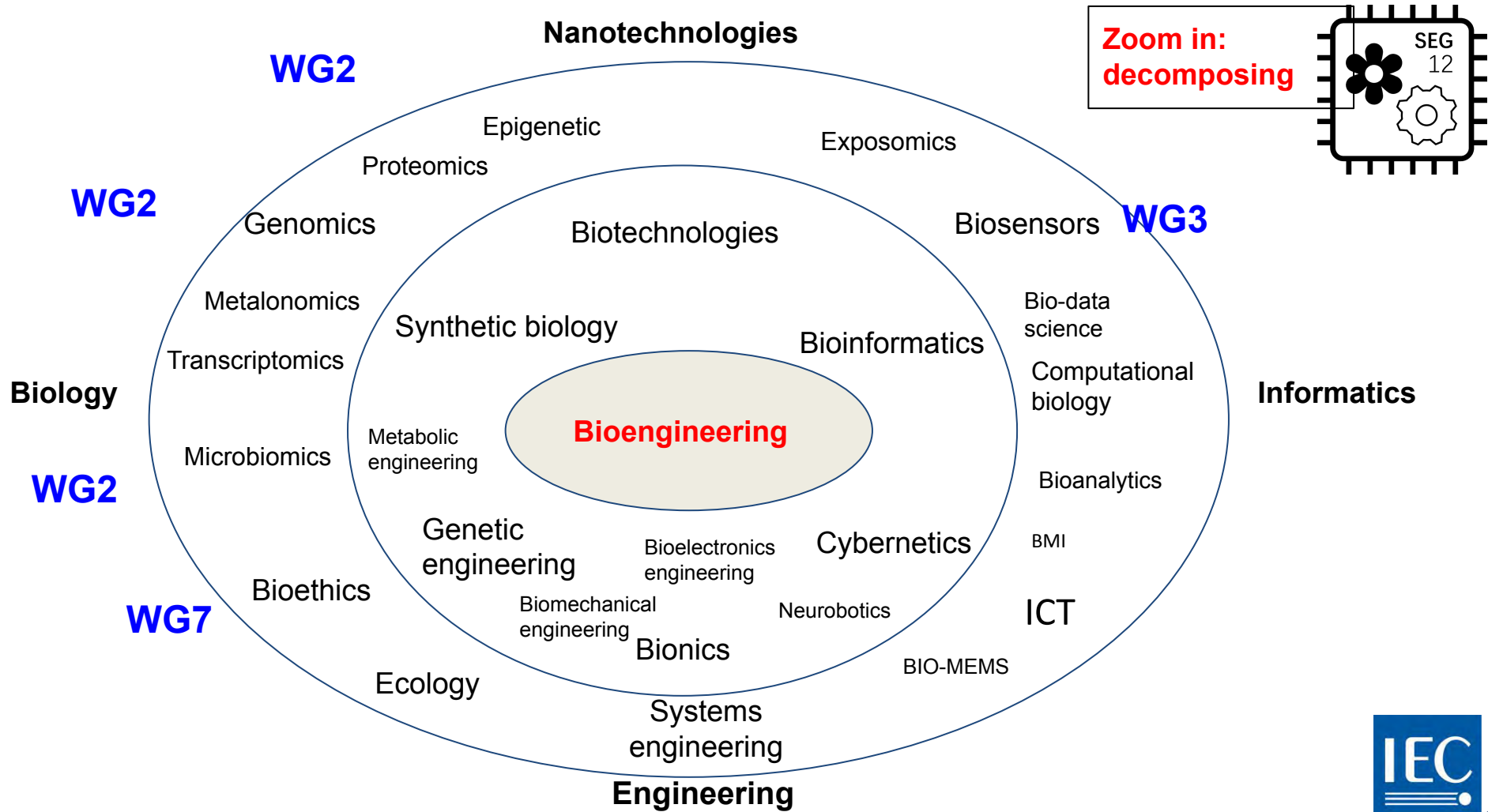


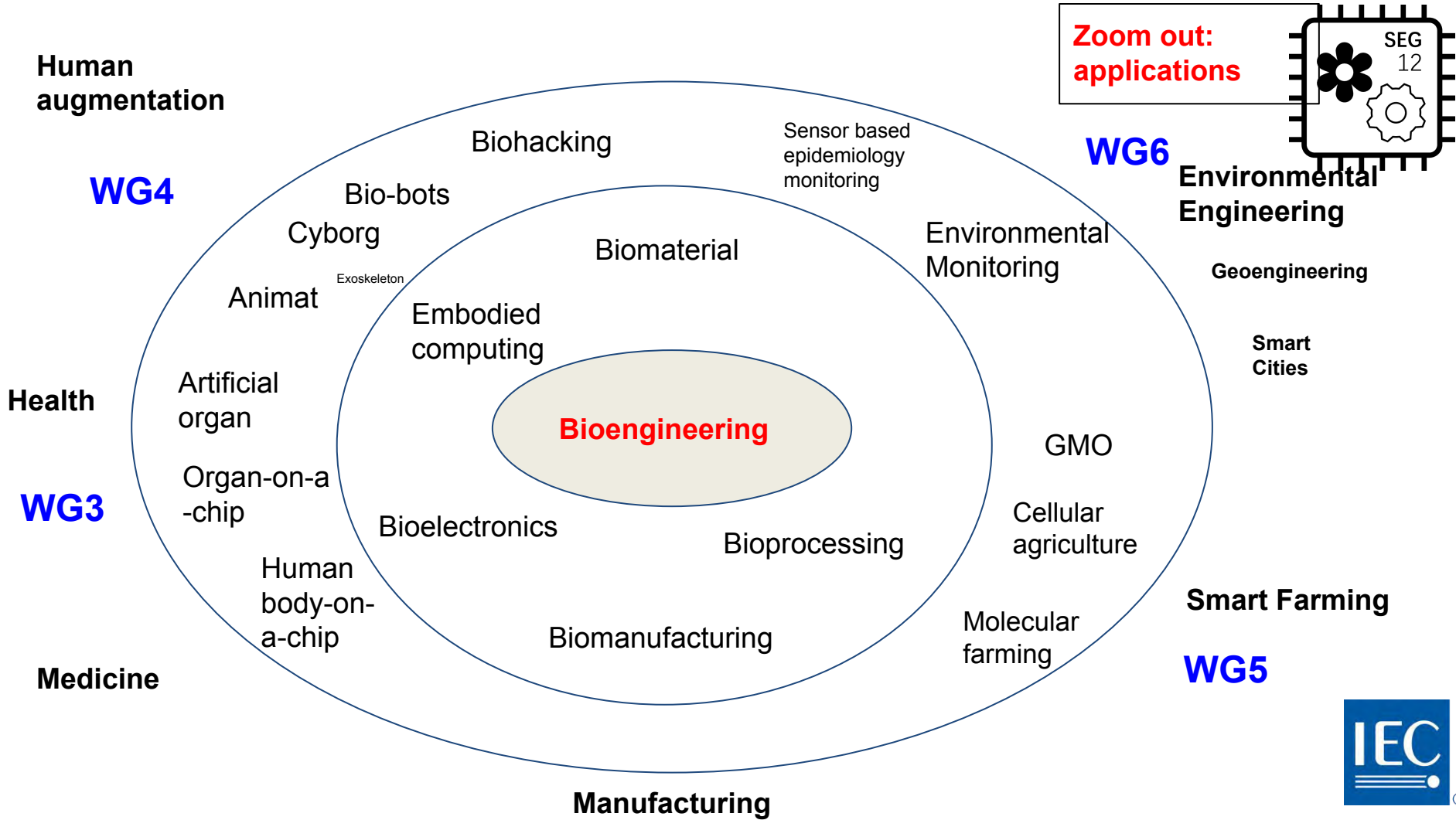
- Investigate current research and technology activities, identify critical challenges, and propose a roadmap for standardization in the area of bio-digital convergence. Ensure close cooperation with and encourage participation from MSB.
- Engage with TC/SC/SyCs including JTC 1 and ISO, as well as with other market and policy relevant organizations, on existing standards and on the need for future standards related to bio-digital convergence.
- Formulate recommendations to SMB as appropriate.

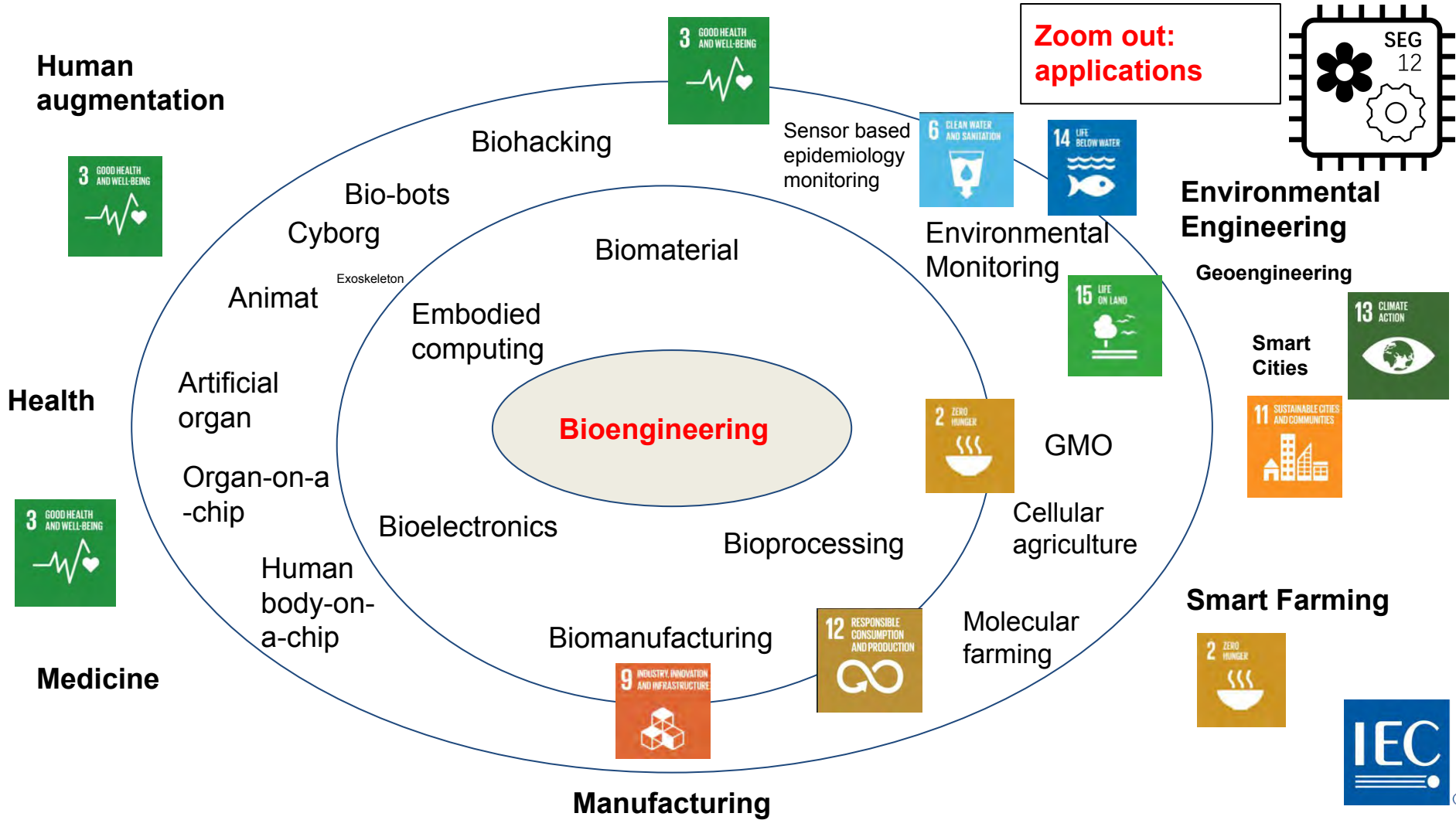
SEG 12 Structure



- **WG1 - Communications, Synthesis and Edition of Report**
- **WG2 - Reverse Engineering of Living Systems**
- **WG3 - Life systems and Bioengineering**
- **WG4 - Human Augmentation Technologies**
- **WG5 - Agricultural Bioengineering**
- **WG6 - Environmental Bioengineering**
- **WG7 - Biodigital Social, Risks and Ethical Aspects**
- **AG8 - Convener Advisory Group**



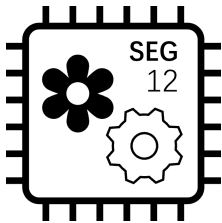




Human augmentation



Zoom out: applications



Biohacking

Bio-bots

Cyborg

Exoskeleton

Animat

Artificial organ

Organ-on-a-chip

Human body-on-a-chip

Embodied computing

Bioelectronics

Biomanufacturing

Biomaterial

Bioprocessing

Sensor based epidemiology monitoring



Environmental Monitoring



Environmental Engineering

Geoengineering

Smart Cities



GMO

Cellular agriculture

Smart Farming



Molecular farming

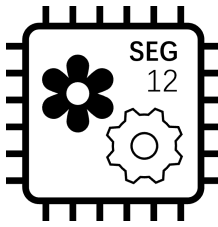
Medicine



Manufacturing



A SEG is a 'Time boxed' project

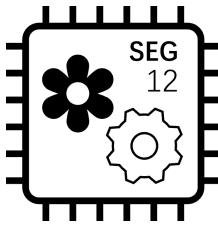


- **Fixed delivery date (18-24 months)**
- **Will document known areas that were not explored or explored adequately**
- **Recommend how to pursue the work**



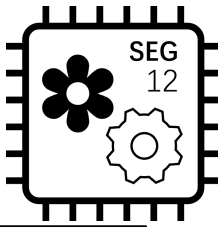
<https://www.projectsmart.co.uk/recommended-reads/time-boxing-strategies-to-help-you-get-things-done-in-your-project.php>

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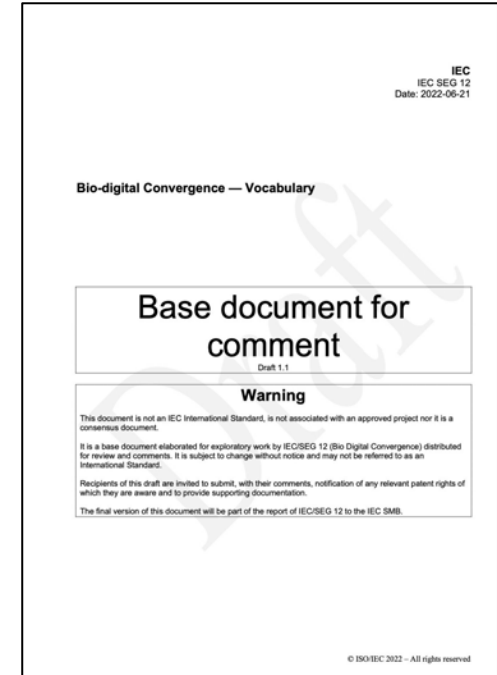


- **Work is progressing as planned**
- **Current deliverables:**
 - **Draft terminology/vocabulary**
 - **2 day Webinar in early December 2022**
- **Planned deliverables (june 2023)**
 - **SMB report**
 - **'Green' paper**

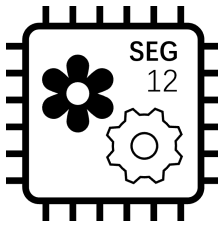
Vocabulary / Glossary



- Base document for future work
- Cover bioengineering as well as relevant engineering and IT terms
- Current version: 1.4
 - 51 bioengineering terms
 - 34 engineering and IT terms
- Future version will be expanded to include terms and concepts identified by the WGs



'Green' Paper (technology report)

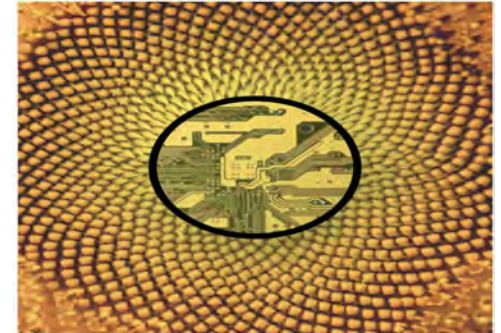


- **Freely available IEC technology report**
- **Will cover all technical areas and ethical and social issues**
- **Will include vocabulary /glossary**



BioDigital Convergence Standardization Opportunities

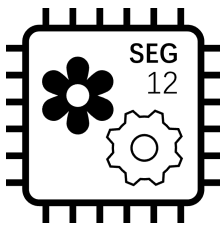
Final report IEC Systems Evaluation Group 12 – BioDigital Convergence



xxxx 2023, Edition 1.0



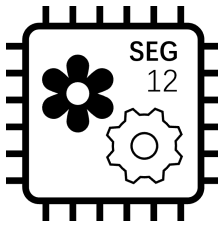
About this Webinar



- The objectives are to present a summary of the work accomplished to date by SEG 12 in assessing standardization opportunities in this area and solicit feedback and contributions.
- The presented material, webinar recording and Q&A will be published on the IEC Academy website
- People interested in participating in SEG 12 can register at:
https://www.iec.ch/ords/f?p=103:186:617330298393206::::FSP_ORG_ID,FSP_LANG_ID:27561,

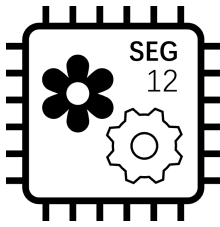


Thank you!



Annex: SEG 12 Working Groups Scope

WG 1 - Communications, Synthesis and Edition of Report



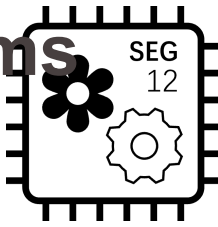
Convener: Dr. François Coallier

Membership: IEC Officer, Conveners of WGs,...

Scope:

- **Communications**
- **Synthesis**
- **‘Horizontal’/cross domains issues and technologies**
- **Edition of reports to SMB**

WG 2 - Reverse Engineering of Living Systems



Conveners: Dr. Yong Zhang and Dr. Zhiwei Cao

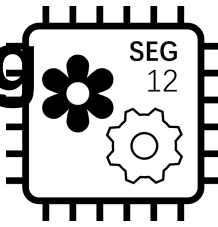
Scope:

BioDigital standardization opportunities for supporting the reverse-engineering of living systems and systems of systems. This includes genomics, transcriptomics, proteomics, metabolomics, informatics, microbiomic, neurosciences, synthetics, ...

SDO's:

- **ISO/TC 215/SC1 Genomics Informatics**
- **HUPO Proteomics Standards Initiative (PSI)**
- **Metabolomics Society**
- **EU COordination of Standards in MetabOlomicS (COSMOS)**
- **ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC42 Artificial Intelligence**
- **fairsharing.org**
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WG 3 - Life systems and bio-engineering



Conveners: Dr. Joerg Geiger and Dr. William Wasswa

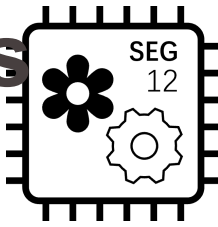
Scope:

BioDigital standardization opportunities in life systems and bio-engineering. This includes biosensors, biometrics, bio-foundries, bioprocessing, biofuels, drug discovery and engineering, synthetic biological circuit, metabolic engineering, genetic engineering, artificial life, Organ-on-Chip (OoC), artificial organs,...

SDO's:

- ISO/TC 229 Nanotechnologies
- JTC1/WG12 3D Printing and Scanning
- JTC 1/SC 37 Biometrics
- IEC/TC 65/SC65B Measurement and control devices
- ISO/TC 276 Biotechnology
- European Organ-on-Chip Society (EUROoCS)
- CEN/CENELEC Organ on Chip Focus Group
- ...

WG 4 - Augmentation technologies



Conveners: Ms. Yuntao Yu and Dr. Philip Troyk

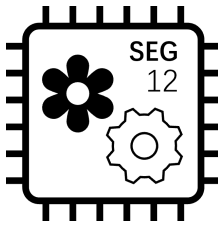
Scope:

BioDigital standardization opportunities in the area of human augmentation. This includes brain-machine interfaces, digital hardware enhancement, ubiquitous and continual monitoring, enhanced strength, enhanced sensing, embodied computing, ambient intelligence and biohacking.

SDO's:

See <https://mapping.iec.ch/#/maps/113>

WG 5 - Agricultural Bioengineering



Convener: Dr. Raymond Shillito

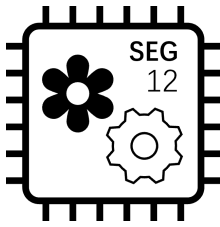
Scope:

BioDigital standardization opportunities in the Bioengineering of agricultural systems and systems of systems, including forestry, aquaculture, livestock farming, cellular agriculture and molecular pharming. This includes internet of things applications (such as precision agriculture), embodied computing for animals, genetic engineering of food as well as the following UN sustainable development goal: zero hunger.

SDO's:

- ISO Strategic Advisory Group (SAG) on Smart Farming
- ISAAA International Service for the Acquisition of Agri-biotech Applications
- JTC 1/SC41 Internet of things and digital twin
- ISO/TC34/SC16 Horizontal methods for molecular biomarker analysis
- **ISO/TC34/SC17 Management System for Food Safety**
- ISO/TC 234 Fisheries and aquaculture
- ISO/TC 23/SC 19 Agricultural electronics
- ISO/TC 276 Biotechnology**
- CEN/TC 275 Food analysis - Horizontals methods**
- ...

WG 6 - Environmental Bioengineering



Conveners: Mr. Ricky Spencer and Dr. François Coallier

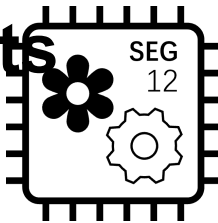
Scope:

BioDigital standardization opportunities in the area of environmental systems of systems. This includes geoengineering, sustainability and the following UN sustainable development goals: climate action, life below water and life on land.

SDO's:

- **JTC 1/SC41 Internet of things and digital twin (WG7 Maritime, underwater IoT and Digital Twin applications)**
- **ISO/TC207 Environmental Management**
- **ISO/TC 331 Biodiversity**
- ...

WG 7 - BioDigital Social, Risk & Ethical Aspects



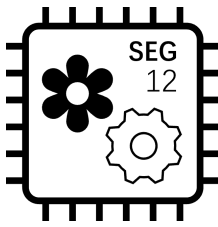
Convener: Ms. Andrea Romaoli

Scope:

Social, ethical, risks, resilience, safety management issues pertinent to BioDigital convergence to be considered in an international standardization context. Include data governance and related issues.

SDO's:

- IEC SyC Active Assisted Living
- IEEE P2049.4 Human Augmentation: Methodologies and Processes for Ethical Considerations
- ...



WG 2 Reverse Engineering of Living Systems

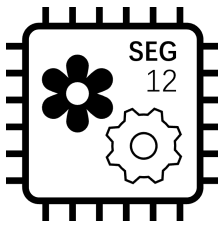
Standardization opportunities to support the reverse engineering of living systems

Convenors: Dr. Yong ZHANG, and Dr. Zhiwei CAO

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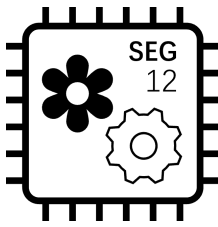
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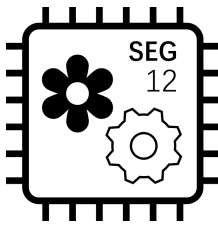
- **Convenor: Dr. Yong Zhang; Co-Convenor: Dr. Zhiwei Cao**
- **Members (as of 27th Nov, 2022)**
 - 23 members
 - From 7 countries: Brazil, China, Ireland, Germany, Switzerland, UK, USA
 - Participations from national bodies or from ISO/IEC partners.

WG 2 Reverse Engineering of Living Systems Scope

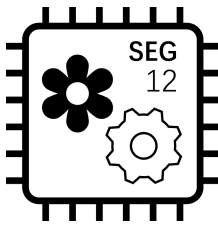


- **BioDigital standardization opportunities for supporting the reverse-engineering of living systems and systems of systems.**
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Challenges and Great Opportunities

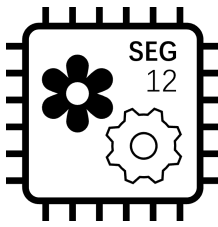


- **State-of-art technologies** in “reverse-engineering of living systems and systems of systems”. Three Key Topics selected in WG 2: OMICS, Synthetics, Neurosciences.
- **Concepts revolution:**
 - from Biology/Biotechnology to Bio-digital convergence (IEC/SEG 12)
- **Lack of standards:**
 - fundamental mechanisms, theory, instruments, data, tools, etc. (related to OMICS, Synthetics, and Neurosciences).
- **Engineering perspective:**
 - framework, instruments, pipelines, procedures, reverse-engineering, data relevant, systems relevant, etc.
- **Explosive growing:**
 - The industries, academics, engineers have been widely used the technologies.
 - Many major breakthroughs were using/based on those technologies.
- **Extensive activities:**
 - More and more experts, SDOs are involved into relevant activities for standards development.



Who needs Standardization?

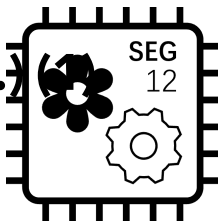
- **Industrial partners (Large companies, and small companies)**
 - Billions USD projects, Future Applications, etc.
- **Academic researchers**
 - Fundamental researches for theory, tools, design, new living systems, etc.
- **Governments, and regulatory authorities**
 - Better and efficient supports to those industrial directions, etc.
 - Potential risk for man-kind, environments, etc.
- **Business Development Entities (Organizations)**
 - Participating the revolution, accelerate own business or activities
- **Users/individuals, who use and are benefited from those technologies**
 - Better understanding for the technologies
 - Power and knowledge for self-protections



Current Progress in WG 2

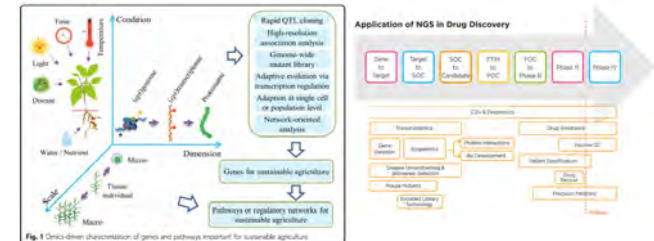
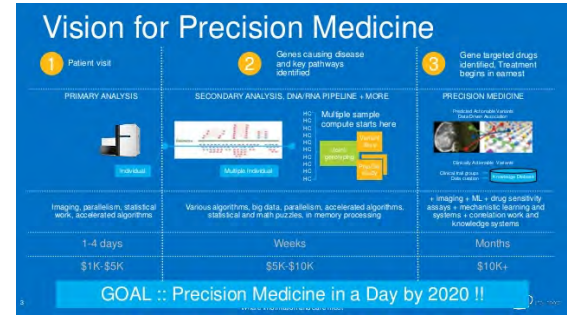
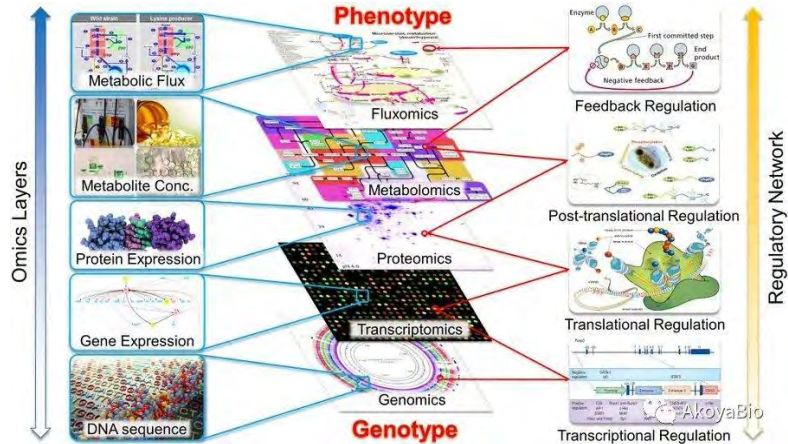
- **Analysis of user cases and gaps analysis.**
- **Assign leaders for leading developments of three selected topics**
- **Analysis of standardization requirements and gaps**
- **Overview map for: 1) OMICS, 2) Synthetics, 3) Neurosciences.**
 - **to support and guide further discussion and developments**
- **Analyze current SDOs, and standards**
- **Prepare action items and recommendations**

1. Omics (Genomics, Transcriptomics, Proteomics, Metabolomics, etc.)



Definition

Omics refers to a field of study in biology ending in -omics, such as genomics, transcriptomics, proteomics, metabolomics or epi-genomics, etc. One of Key characteristics is Big Data.



Omics Layers and Connections from genotype to phenotype.

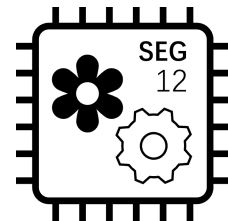
Instruments for OMICS

Applications (PM, Agri, Drug, etc) of OMICS



1. OMICS (2)

Standards efforts



- **ISO/TC 276 Biotechnology**

ISO 20397-1:2022 Biotechnology — Massively parallel sequencing — Part 1: Nucleic acid and library preparation

ISO 20397-2:2021 Biotechnology — Massively parallel sequencing — Part 2: Quality evaluation of sequencing data

ISO AWI 20397-3 Biotechnology — Massively parallel sequencing — Part 3: General requirements and guidance for metagenomics

ISO/DTS 24420 Biotechnology — Massively parallel DNA sequencing — General requirements for data processing of shotgun metagenomics

- **ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 29 Coding for audio, picture, multimedia**

ISO/IEC 23092 Series: Information technology — Genomic information representation (Part 1- Part 6)

- **ISO/TC 34/SC 16 Horizontal methods for molecular biomarker analysis**

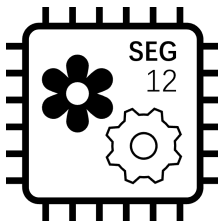
ISO 16578:2022 Molecular biomarker analysis — Requirements for microarray detection of specific nucleic acid sequences

- **ISO/TC 34/SC 9 Microbiology**

ISO 23418:2022 Microbiology of the food chain — Whole genome sequencing for typing and genomic characterization of bacteria — General requirements and guidance

1. OMICS (3)

Standards efforts



- **ISO/TC 215/SC 1 Genomics Informatics**

ISO 4454:2022 Genomics informatics— Phenopackets: A format for phenotypic data exchange

ISO/TS 22692:2020 Genomics informatics— Quality control metrics for DNA sequencing

ISO/TS 22693:2021 Genomics informatics— Structured clinical gene fusion report in electronic health records

ISO 25720:2009 Health informatics— Genomic Sequence Variation Markup Language (GSVML)

ISO 21393:2021 Genomics informatics— Omics Markup Language (OML)

ISO/CD TR 21394.2 Genomics informatics— Whole Genomics Sequence Markup Language (WGML)

ISO/CD TS 23357 Genomics Informatics- Clinical genomics data sharing specification for next generation sequencing

- **CEN/TC 140 In vitro diagnostic systems**

CEN/TC 140 In vitro diagnostic Next Generation Sequencing (NGS) workflows— Part 1: Human DNA examination

CEN/TC 140 In vitro diagnostic Next Generation Sequencing (NGS) workflows— Part 2: Human RNA examination

- **EU-STANDS4PM**

Standards for in silico models in personalized medicine: Data sources, in silico models, data access & governance, awareness

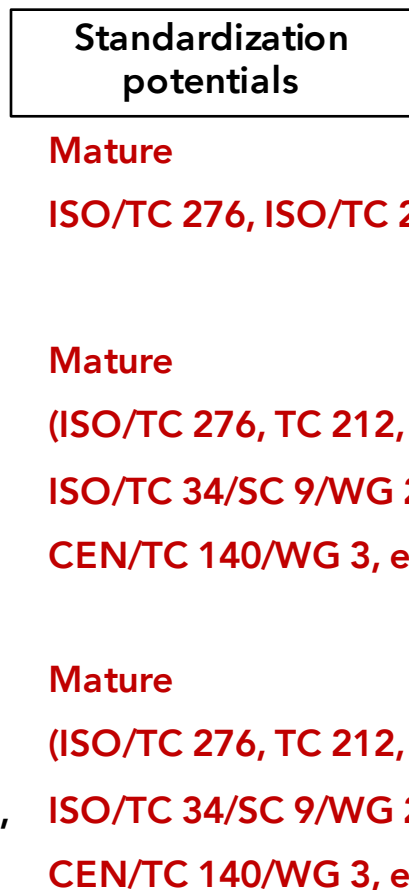
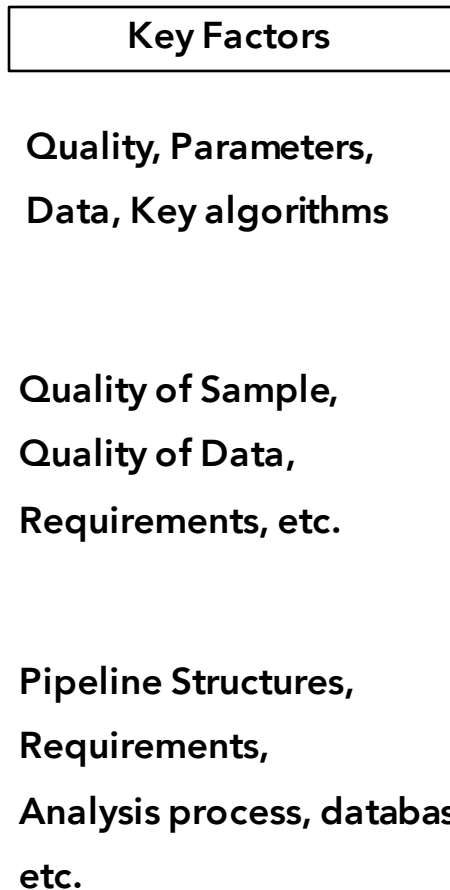
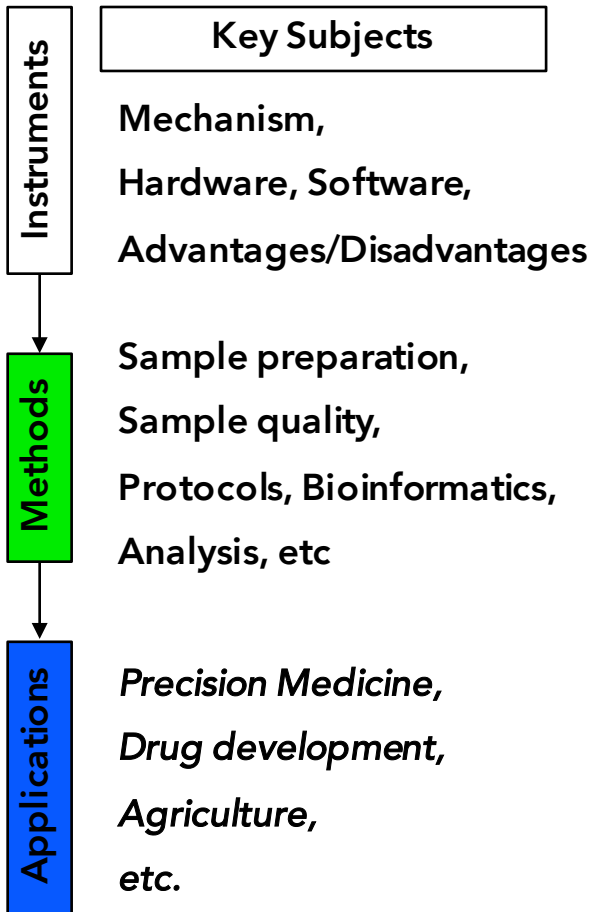
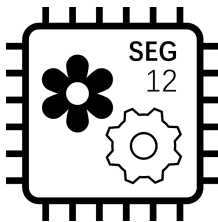
- **GA4GH**

Clin/Pheno (Phenopackets V2): ISO 4454:2022 (ISO/TC 215/SC 1)

Cloud; Data security; Discover; Genomic Knowledge; Large Scale Genomics; Regulatory & Ethics; Resource and Tools;



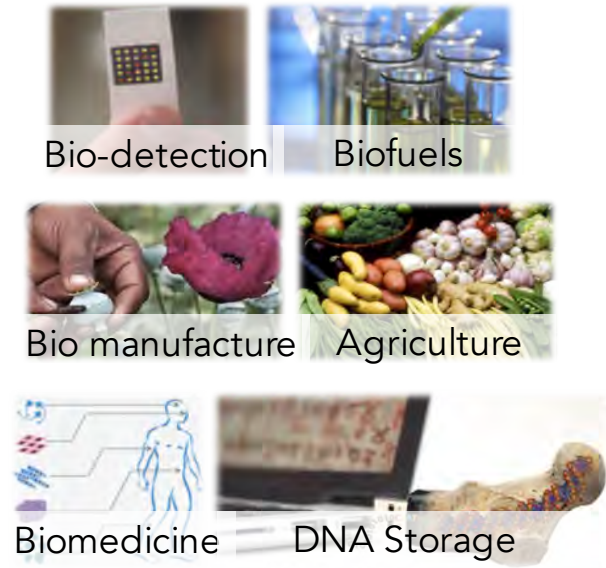
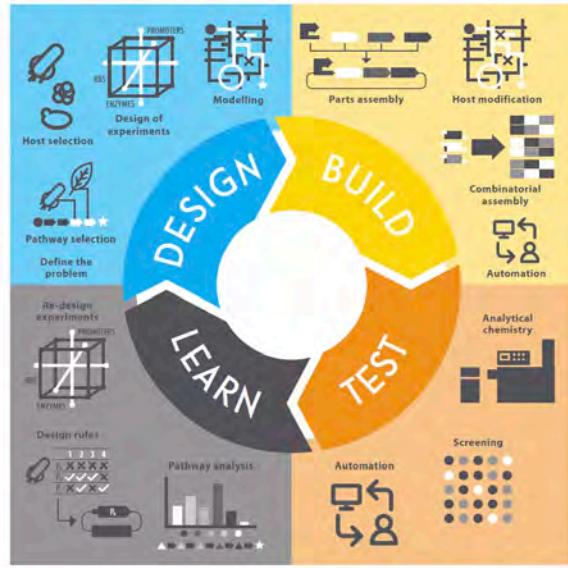
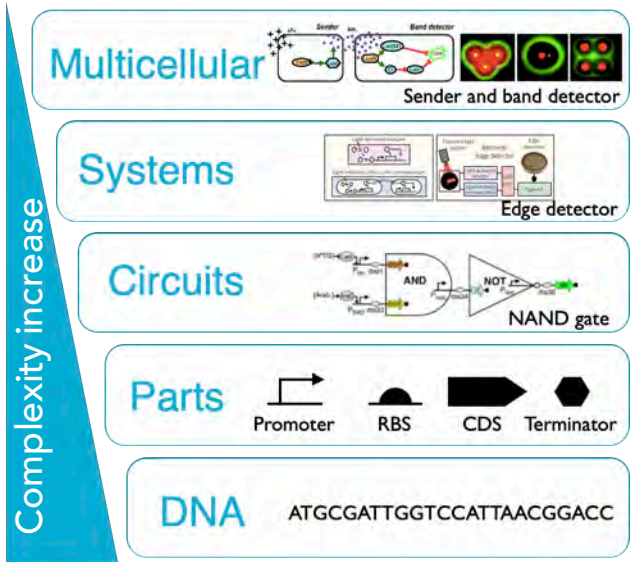
1. OMICS (4)



2. Synthetic Biology (1)

Definition

A new emerging multidisciplinary field that seeks to create new biological parts, devices, and systems, or to redesign existing systems for useful purposes and applications.



Abstraction of Synthetic Biology in different scales

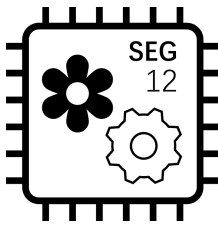
Classical iterative "DBTL" cycles of Synthetic Biology

Emerging Applications of Synthetic Biology



2. Synthetic Biology (2)

Standards efforts



ISO Foresight Trend 2022-Science-Synthetic Biology

- **ISO/TC 276 Biotechnology**

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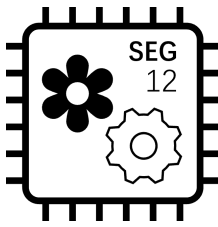
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2. Synthetic Biology (3)

Standards efforts



Other related Organizations & Standards

ASTM E3072-22A

- Standard Terminology for Industrial Biotechnology and Synthetic Biology

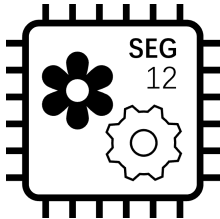
Chinese Institute of Electronics (CIE)

- Technical specification for the coding system in DNA-based information storage

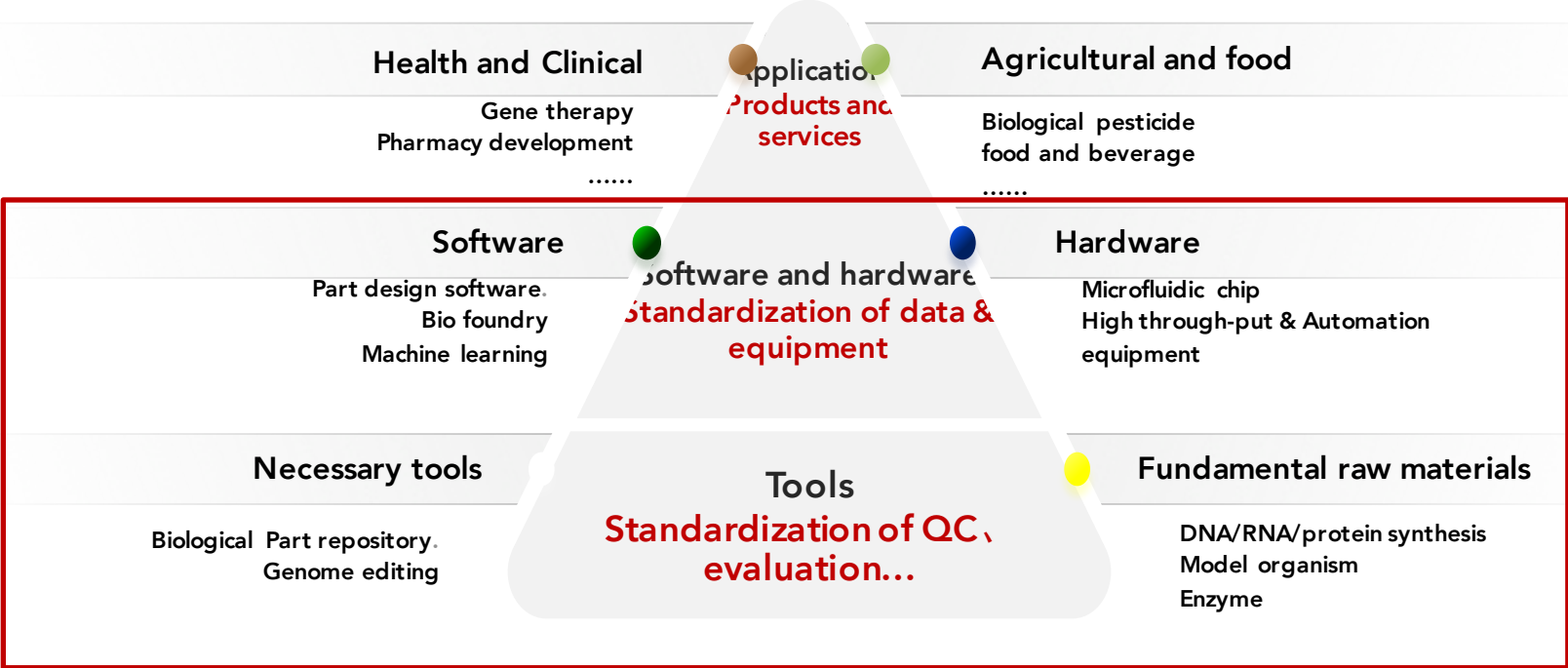
BioRoboost

- Whitebook <Standardisation in Synthetic Biology: A White Book>
- Technical Core: Metrology, Classis, Yeast, Other eukaryotic systems
- Social Concerns: Biosafety, Biosecurity, etc.

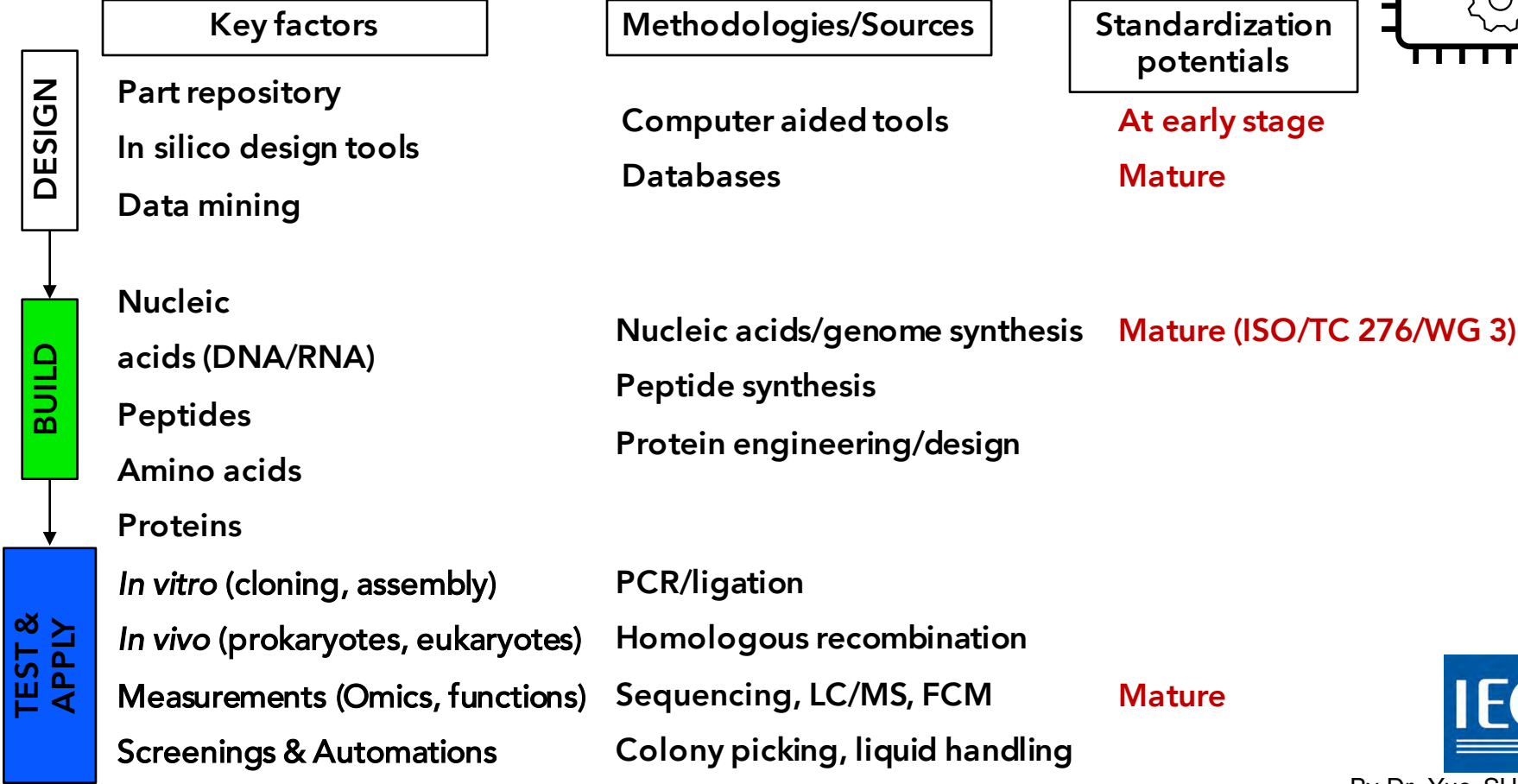
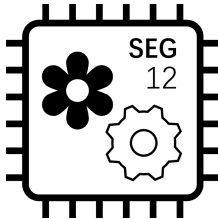
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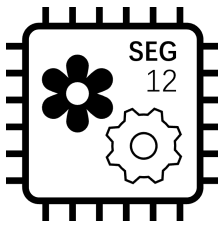
Standards needed



2. Synthetic Biology (5)



3. Neuroscience (1)

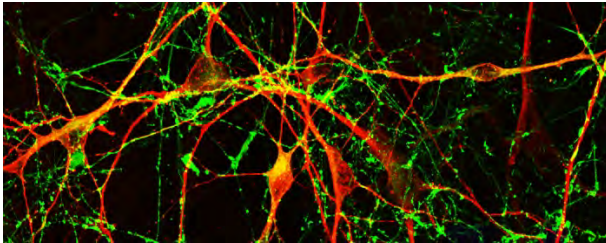


Exploring the Field

Neuroscience is the study of the nervous system, including the brain, spinal cord, and nerves

- Understand the brain and how it functions
- Understand neurological & psychiatric disorders, discover methods to prevent or cure them
- Simulate and even create a brain or brain-like machines/algorithms – AI / Brain organoids

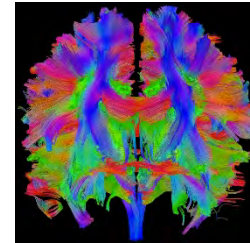
Molecular & Cellular Neuroscience



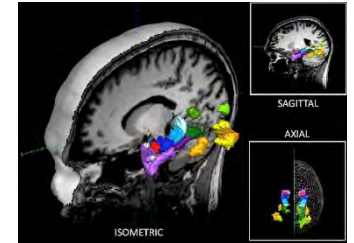
Development Neuroscience



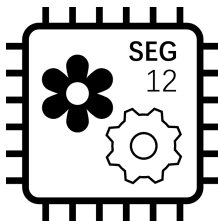
Computational Neuroscience



Cognitive Neuroscience



3. Neuroscience (2)



Subjects & Fields

Fundamental Research

- Cellular Neuroscience
- Molecular Neuroscience
- ...

Neural Engineering

- Neural Imaging
- Neural Informatics
- ...

Behavioral & Clinical

- Cognitive Neuroscience
- Affective Neuroscience
- ...



Microscopic
Bottom-up



Bridging
& Tools

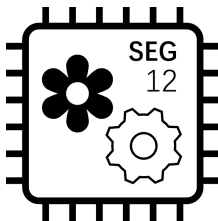


Macroscopic/System
Top-down

Standardization Opportunities

- **Data:** ISO 20691:2022 Biotechnology — Requirements for data formatting and description in the life sciences
- **Devices:** IEC 63077:2019 Good refurbishment practices for medical imaging equipment

3. Neuroscience (3)



Standardization Gaps

Clinical Neuroscience

- Clinical Guidance / Ethics / Risk Management

Computational Neuroscience

- Models / Data Formats / Algorithms / Databases

Neuroengineering

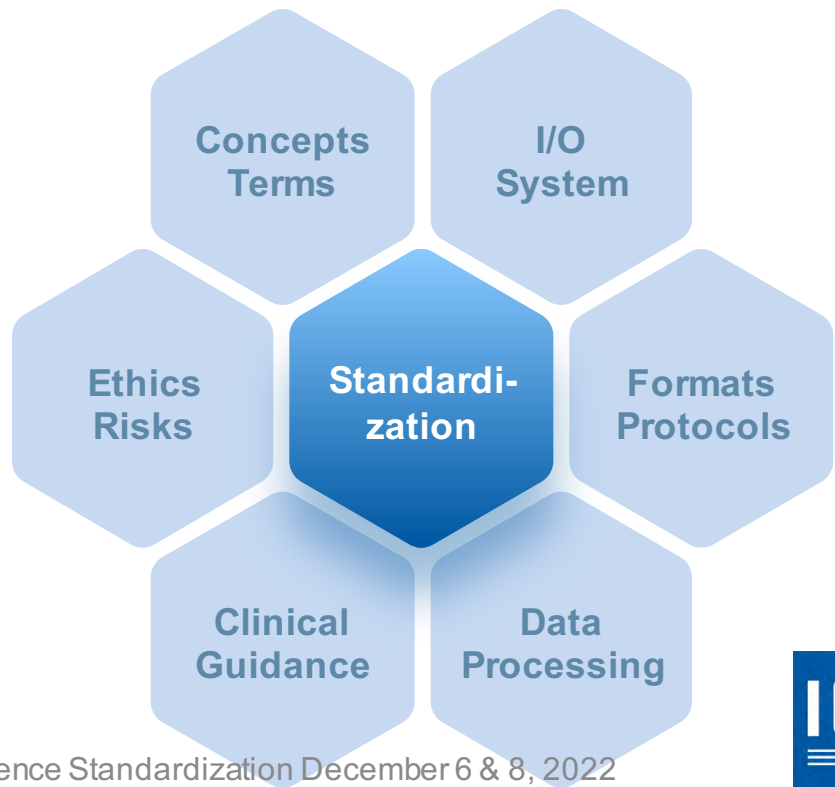
- Brain-computer Interface / Neurostimulation / Brain Implants

Neuroimaging

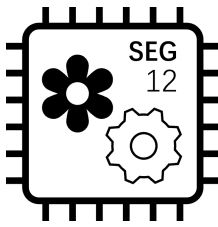
- Imaging Hardware (electrical/optical/magnetic/ultra sonic) / Algorithms / Data Formats

Neuroinformatics

- Data Formats / Databases / Algorithms / Interfaces



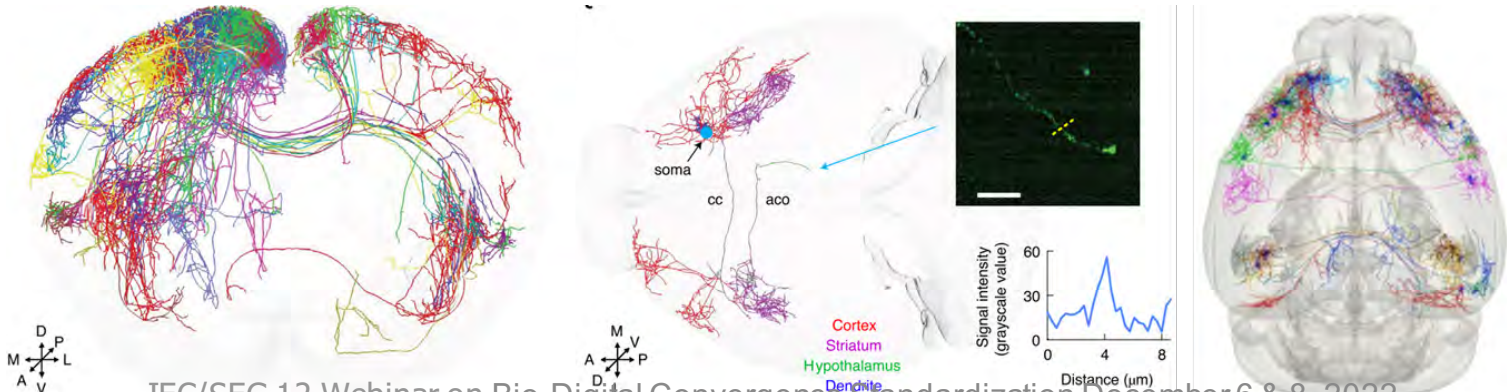
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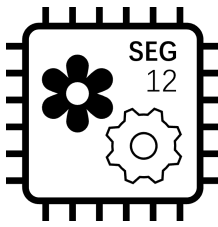
An Example: Sample Preparation for 3D Optical Imaging in the Neural System

Background

- Dissection fine structures as dendritic and axonal morphology of single neuron in brain-wide neural circuits is important.
- Light microscopy has potential to dissect the organization in the whole tissue with mesoscopic resolution.
- However, two gaps need to be solved:
 - To prepare homogeneous samples that maintain the real structure information
 - To have unified standards for the data from different sources for comparison together.



3. Neuroscience (5)



An Example: Sample Preparation for 3D Optical Imaging in the Neural System

Existing International Standards



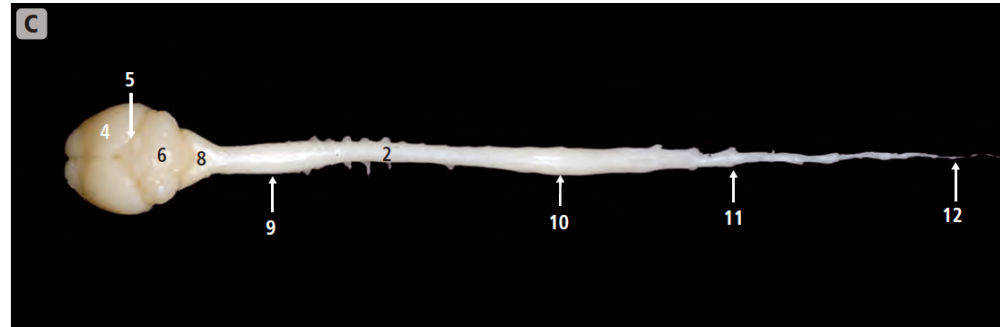
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No matching standards in ISO OBP



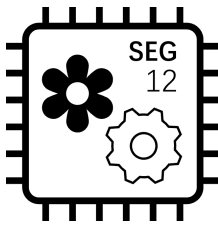
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Standardization Needs

- Huge increase in demand of 3D optical imaging
- Focusing on three-dimensional organization of biological structures and the pathological processes, especially as neurodegenerative diseases.
 - **Tissue:** Brain, spinal cord or other tissue
 - **Animal Model:** Mouse, rat, ferret, tree shrew, monkey, post-mortem human tissues
 - **Methods:** Histological staining, transgenic/viral tools fluorescent labeling

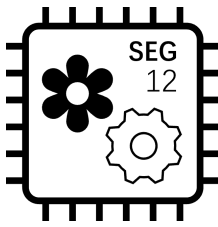


Standards Development Organizations (1)

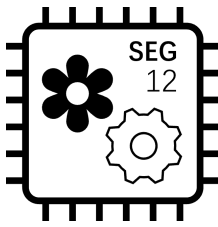


- ISO/TC 276 Biotechnology
- ISO/TC 215 Health informatics
- ISO/TC 215/SC 1 Genomics Informatics
- ISO/TC 34/SC 9 Food Product/Microbiology
- ISO/TC 34/SC 16 Food Product/ Horizontal methods for molecular biomarker analysis
- ISO/TC 212 Clinical laboratory testing and in vitro diagnostic test systems
- ISO/IEC/ JTC 1/SC 42 Artificial Intelligence
- ISO/IEC/ JTC1/SC 29/WG 8 MPEG (standards for genome compression and storage)
- CEN/TC 140/WG 3 - QUALITY MANAGEMENT IN THE MEDICAL LABORATORY
- ...

Standards Development Organizations (2)

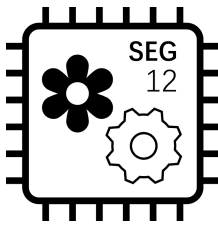


- **HUPU Proteomics Standards Initiative (PSI)**
- **Metabolomics Society**
- **EU Coordination of Standards in MetabOlomicS (COSMOS)**
- **Fairsharing.org**
- **GA4GH (The Global Alliance for Genomics Health)**
- **EU-STANDS4PM (standards for in silico models for personalised medicine)**
- **Instand-NGS4P (integrated and standardized NGS workflows for personalised therapy)**
- **BioRoboost (to enhance biosafety and risk assessment in synthetic biology standards)**
- **...**



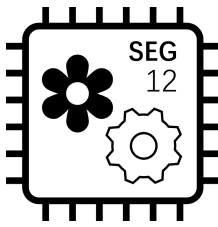
Standards (published) (examples)

- **ISO 5058-1:2021 Biotechnology — Genome editing — Part 1: Vocabulary**
- **ISO 20397-1:2022 Biotechnology — Massively parallel sequencing — Part 1: Nucleic acid and library preparation**
- **ISO 20397-2:2021 Biotechnology — Massively parallel sequencing — Part 2: Quality evaluation of sequencing data**
- **ISO 20688-1:2020 Biotechnology — Nucleic acid synthesis — Part 1: Requirements for the production and quality control of synthesized oligonucleotides**
- **ISO 21710:2020 Biotechnology — Specification on data management and publication in microbial resource centers**
- **ISO 20691:2022 Biotechnology — Requirements for data formatting and description in the life sciences**



Standards (under development) (examples)

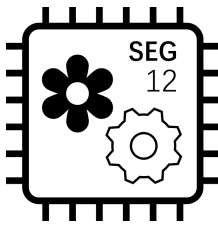
- **ISO/AWI TS 9491-1 Biotechnology — Recommendations and requirements for predictive computational models in personalized medicine research — Part 1: Guidelines for constructing, verifying and validating models**
- **ISO/AWI 20397-3 Biotechnology — Massively parallel sequencing — Part 3: General requirements and guidance for metagenomics**
- **ISO/CD 20688-2 Biotechnology — Nucleic acid synthesis — Part 2: General definitions and requirements for the production and quality control of synthesized gene fragment, gene, and genome**
- **ISO/DTS 24420 Biotechnology — Massively parallel DNA sequencing — General requirements for data processing of shotgun metagenomics**



Future Plan

- **Invite more experts join us**
- **Continually discuss and draft the report**
 - **Identify user cases, analysis gaps**
 - **Analyze standardization requirements and gaps**
 - **Analyze standardization status and activities**
- **Discuss about action items and recommendations for three topics (including potential standard proposals)**
- **Host more online meeting for discussion, or start new topics**

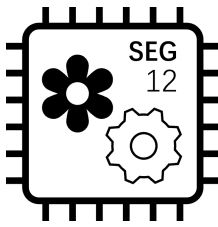
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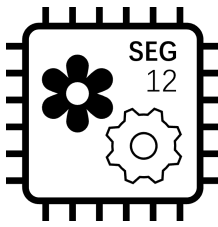
- **Action Items:**
 - **Set up task groups, etc**
 - **Propose standardization roadmaps for selected topics**
 - **Prepare for new standards or proposals to IEC/SEG 12, or IEC/ISO**
 - **Work to meet IEC/ISO goals and requirements**

- **Prepare reports or analysis manuscripts for publication**

Future developments of standardization in WG 2 Reverse Engineering of Living Systems

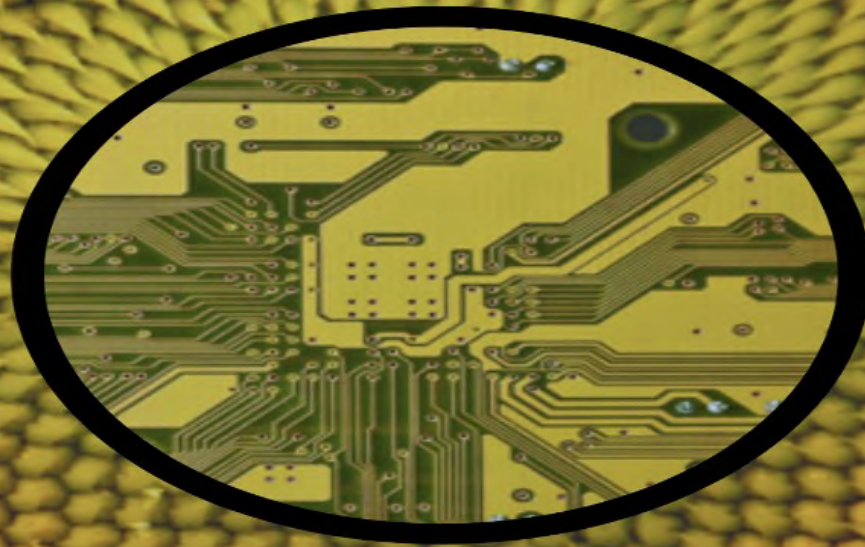


- **Basic technologies:**
 - OMICS, such as sequencing
 - Synthetic, such as design, synthesis, evaluation, etc.
 - Neurosciences, such as ...
- **Reverse-Engineering:**
 - How to reverse engineering the living systems
- **Data:**
 - Big Data (PB, TB level)
 - Data format, data integration, data processing, data interoperability, ownership, security, block chain, etc.
- **Systems:**
 - What is the systems, how do you define a systems, design it and transform it.
- **Living Systems:**
 - Living Systems ...
- **Interface between Living Systems and “Life Systems and Bio-engineering” (WG 3)**
 - Interface between , and as bridge, to link, to connect ...
- ...



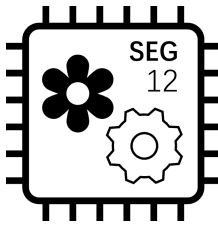
**Thanks a lot,
Welcome to join IEC/SEG 12/WG 2.**

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**WG 3 Living systems
standardization**
Joerg GEIGER (convenor)

IEC SEG 12 Webinar
Bio-Digital Convergence
Standardization

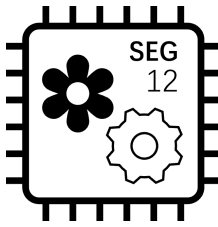


Living systems standardization



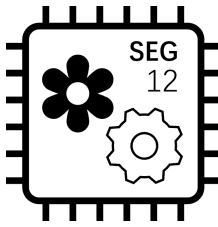
International
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WG 3 – Facts



- **32 members from ISO, national and international SDOs, industry, academia**
- **Covering: agriculture, health, biotechnology**
- **cn, kr, us, ug, ca, uk, de, ie, eu**
- **Convenors: William WASSWA (ug) and Joerg GEIGER(de)**

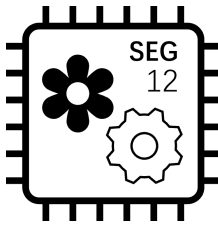
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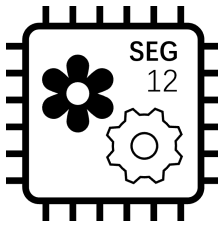
- **BioDigital standardization opportunities in life systems and bio-engineering.**
- **including (but not limited to):**
biosensors, biometrics, bio-foundries, bio-processing, biofuels, drug discovery and engineering, synthetic biological circuit, metabolic engineering, genetic engineering, artificial life, Organ-on-Chip (OoC), artificial organs

Topics

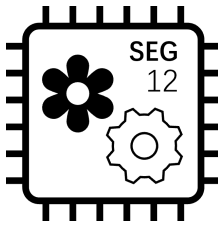
- **Biosensors**
- **Human Digital Twins**
- **Synthetic Biology**
- **Artificial Organs & Organoids**
- **CAR-T Cells**
- **CRISPR Technology**
- **Data Quality**



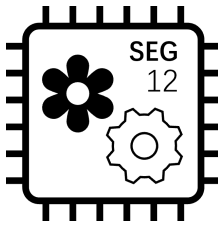
Presentations



- **Task Group 1: "Biosensors – Bio-Electronic Nose"**
 - Dr. Tai Hyun Park
- **Task Group 2: "Human Digital Twins"**
 - Dr. Claudia Cotca and Dr. Martin Golebiewski and
- **Task Group 3: "Synthetic Biology"**
 - Dr. Yue Shen
- **Task Group 4: "Artificial Organs & Organoids"**
 - Dr. Jiangbo Pu
- **Further Standardization Opportunities**
 - CAR-T, CRISPR, Data Quality



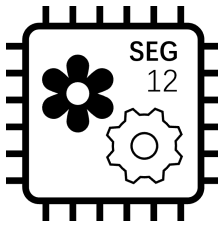
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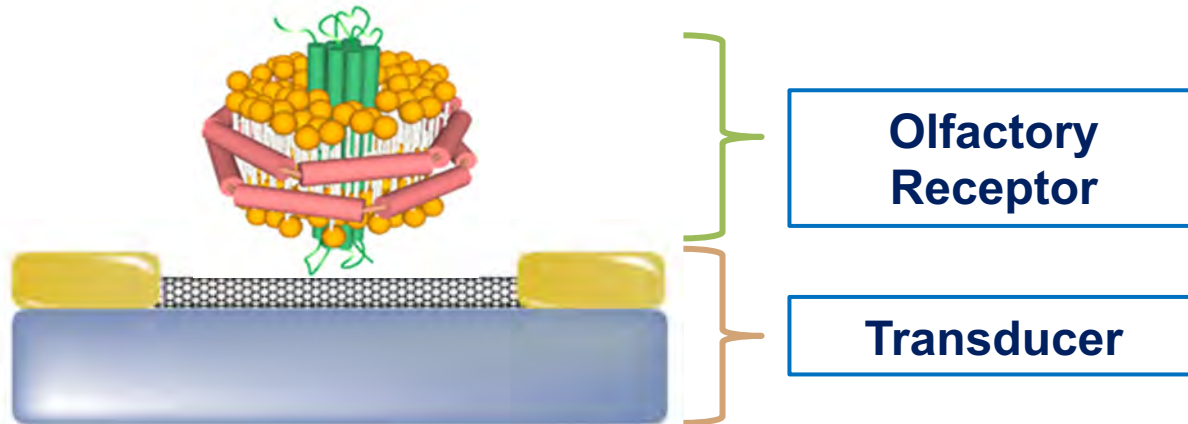
– Bio-Electronic Nose

Tai Hyun Park
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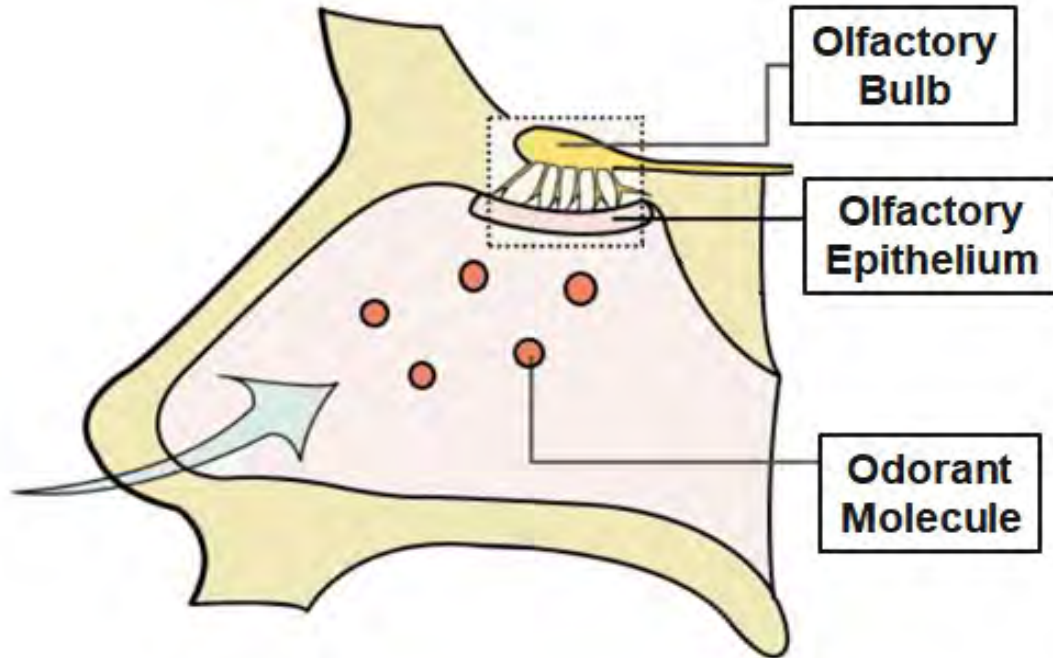


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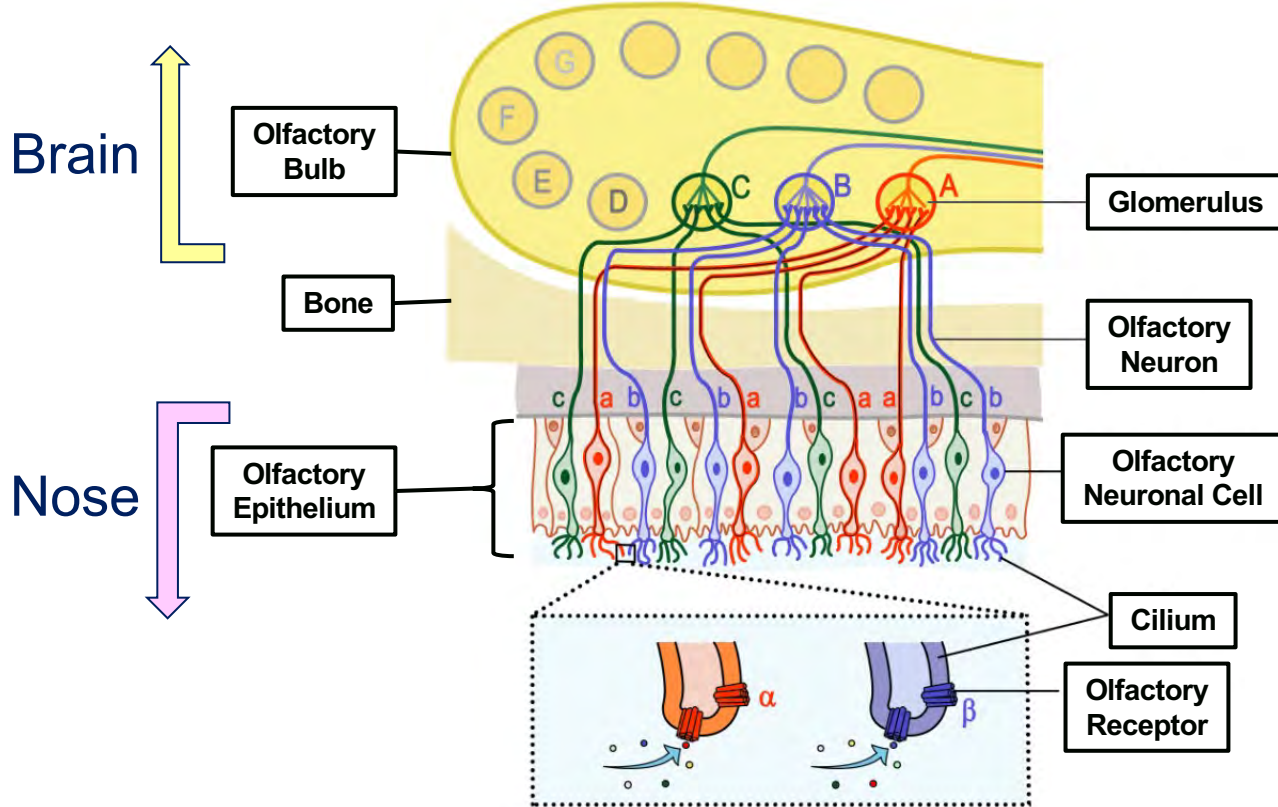
- **Concept**
 - **Olfactory Receptor (Biological sensing element)**
 - **Transducer (Generation of electrical signal)**

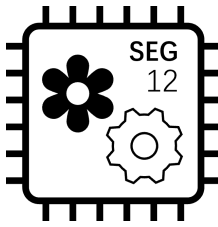


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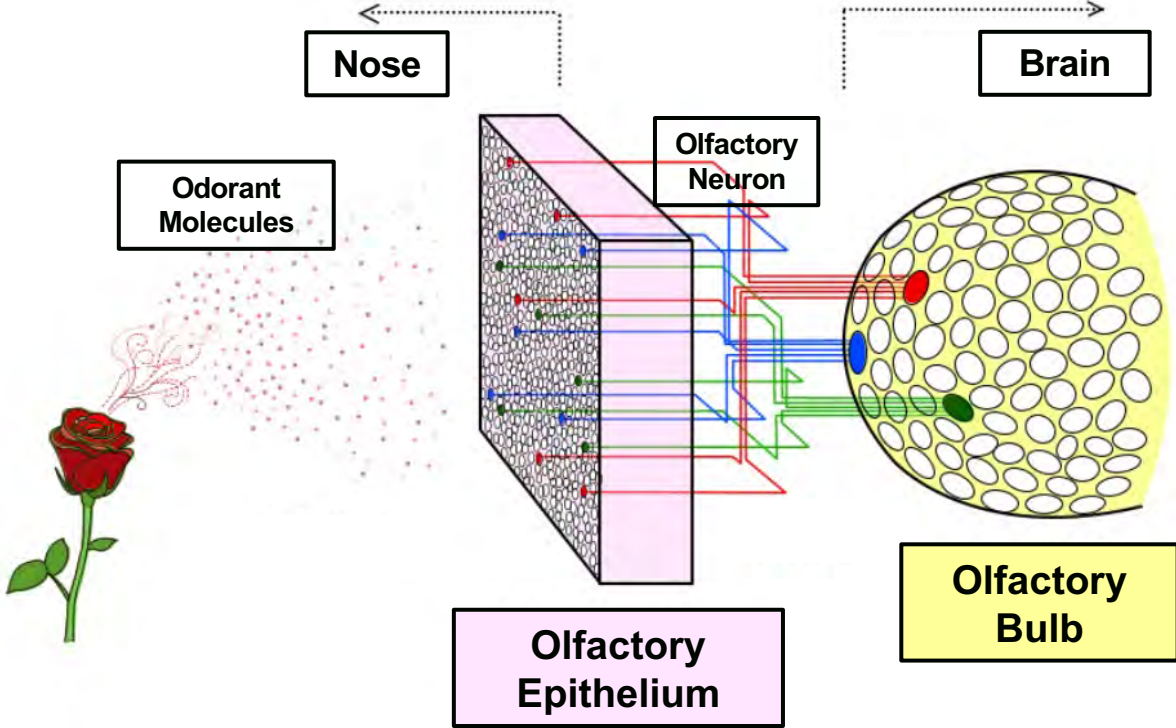


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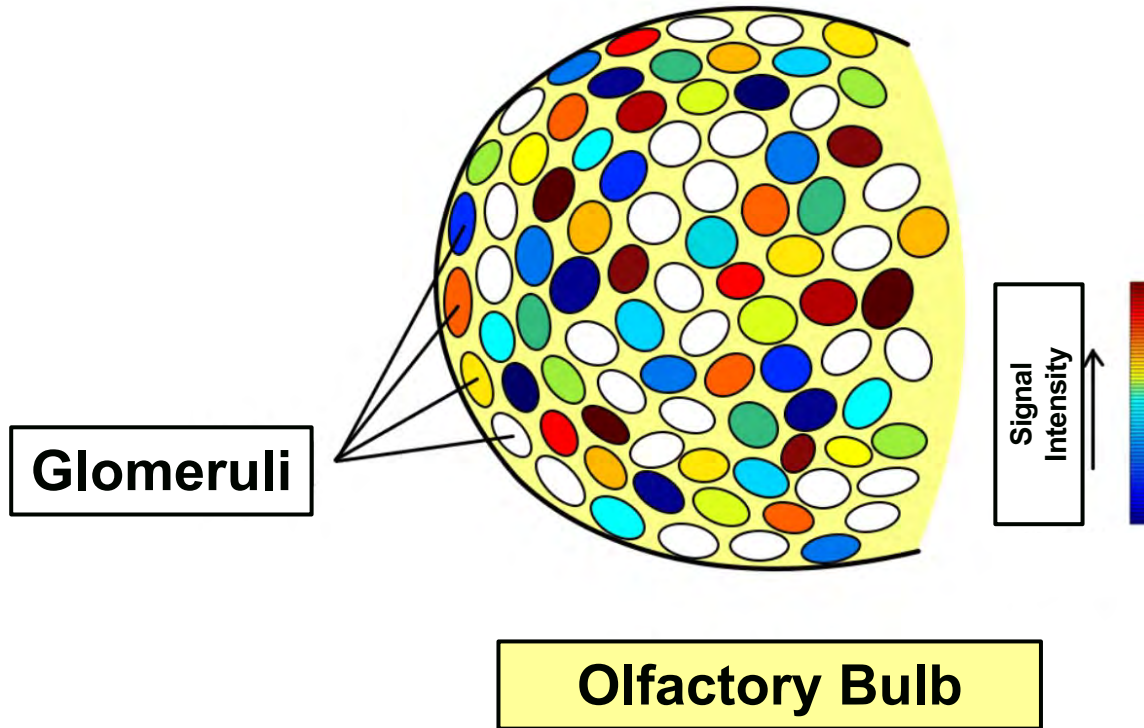
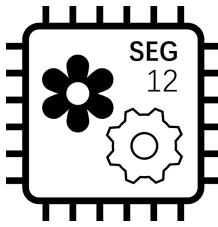




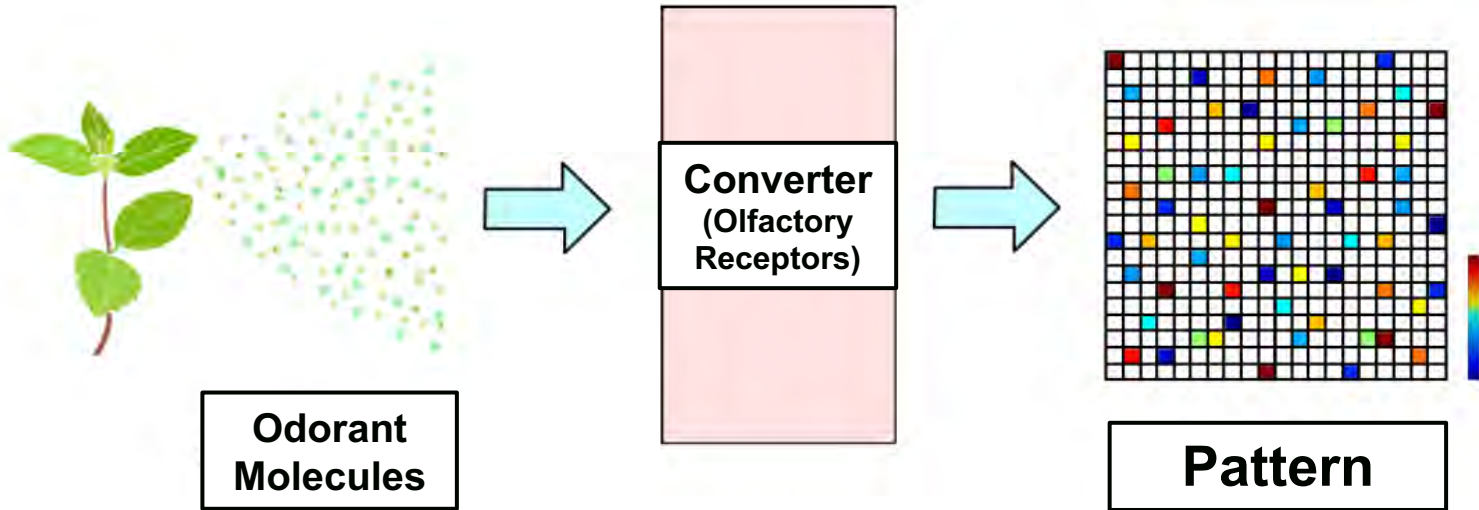
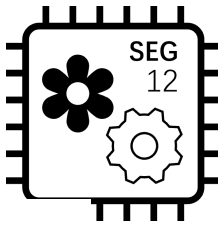
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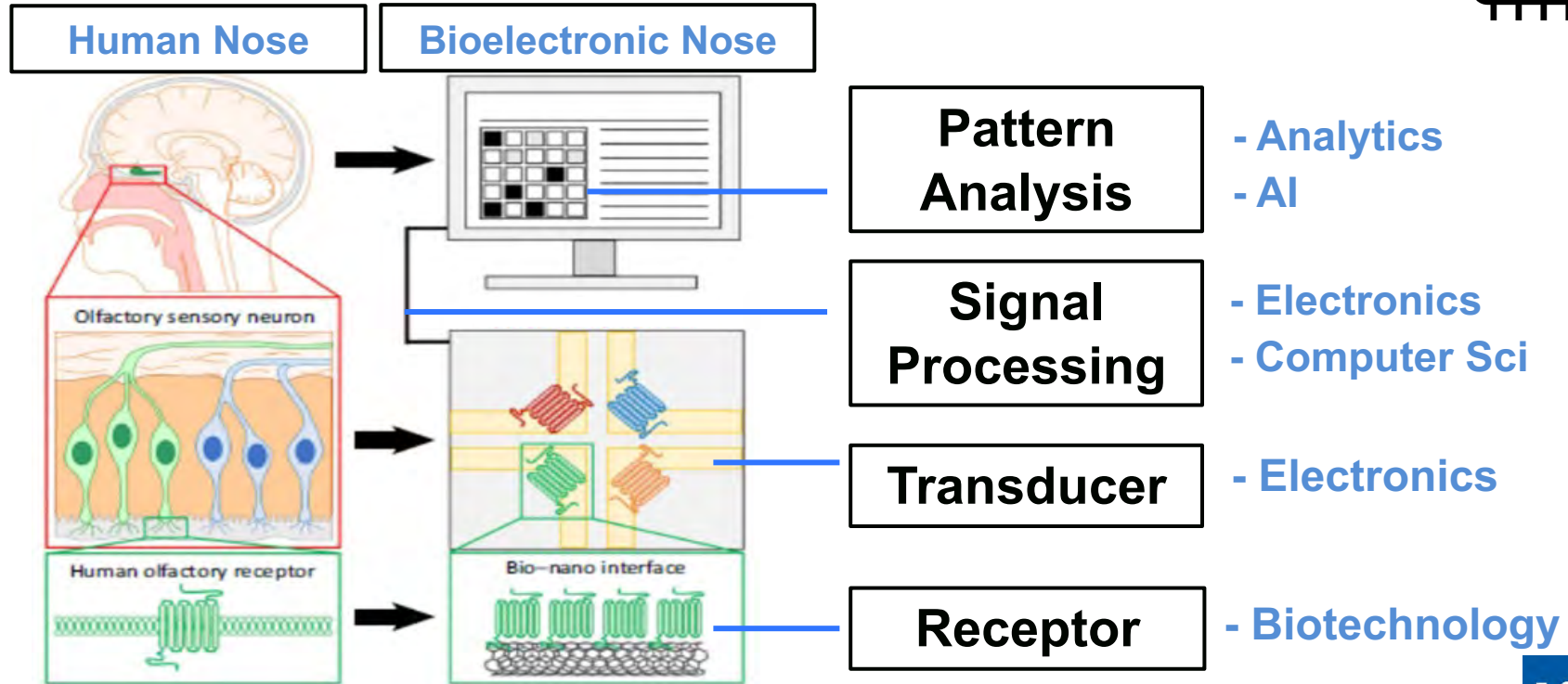
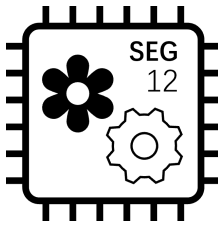
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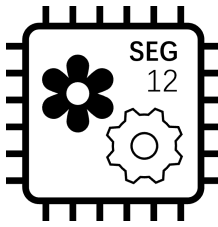
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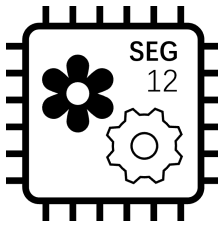
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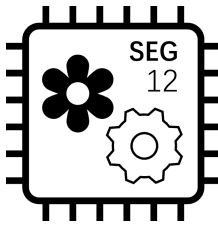
Applications



- **Health**
 - diagnostics, wearables
- **Food quality**
 - freshness, spoilage
- **Public safety**
 - virus, toxicant, explosive, drug, etc.
- **Environmental monitoring and assessment**
 - air pollution, water quality



Thank you!



Human Digital Twins

Standardization needs for Digital Human Twins

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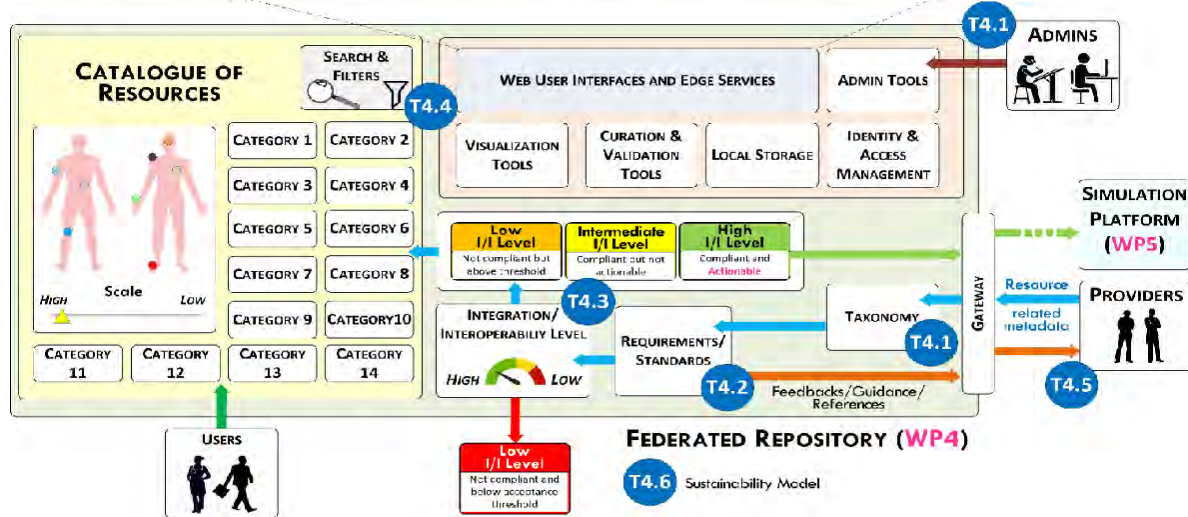
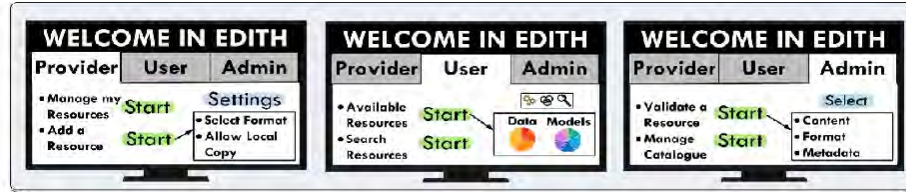


IEC webinar on
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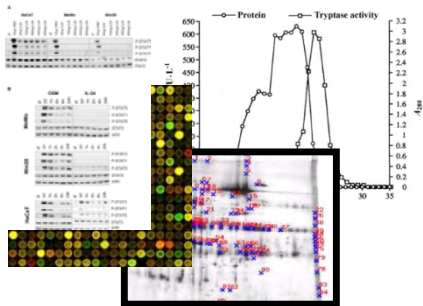
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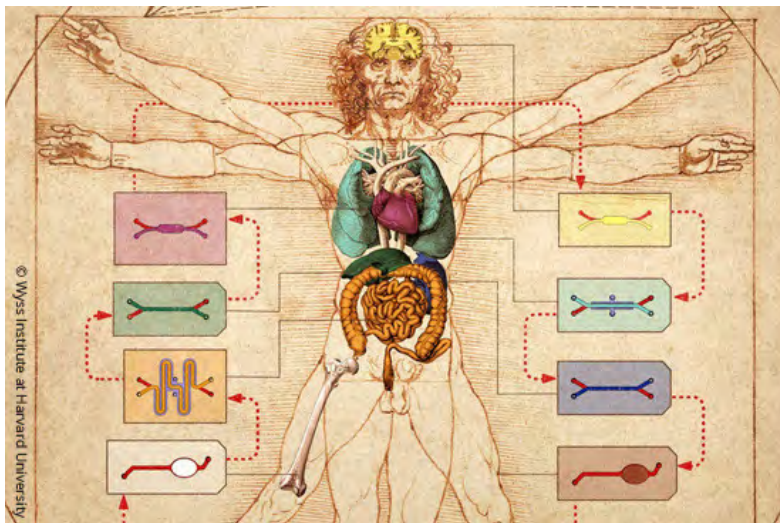
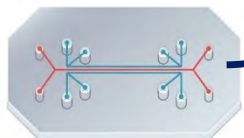
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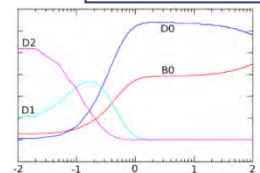
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Process Data



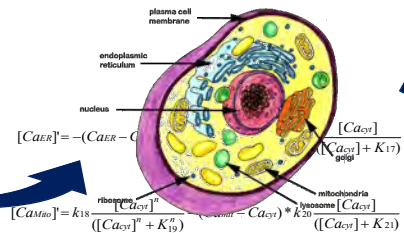
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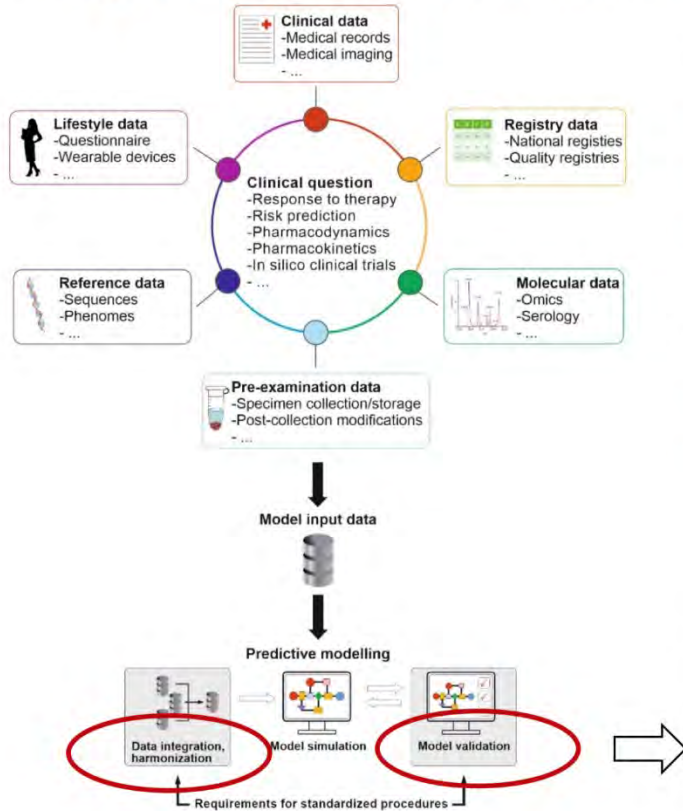


simulate

Model

collect & integrate





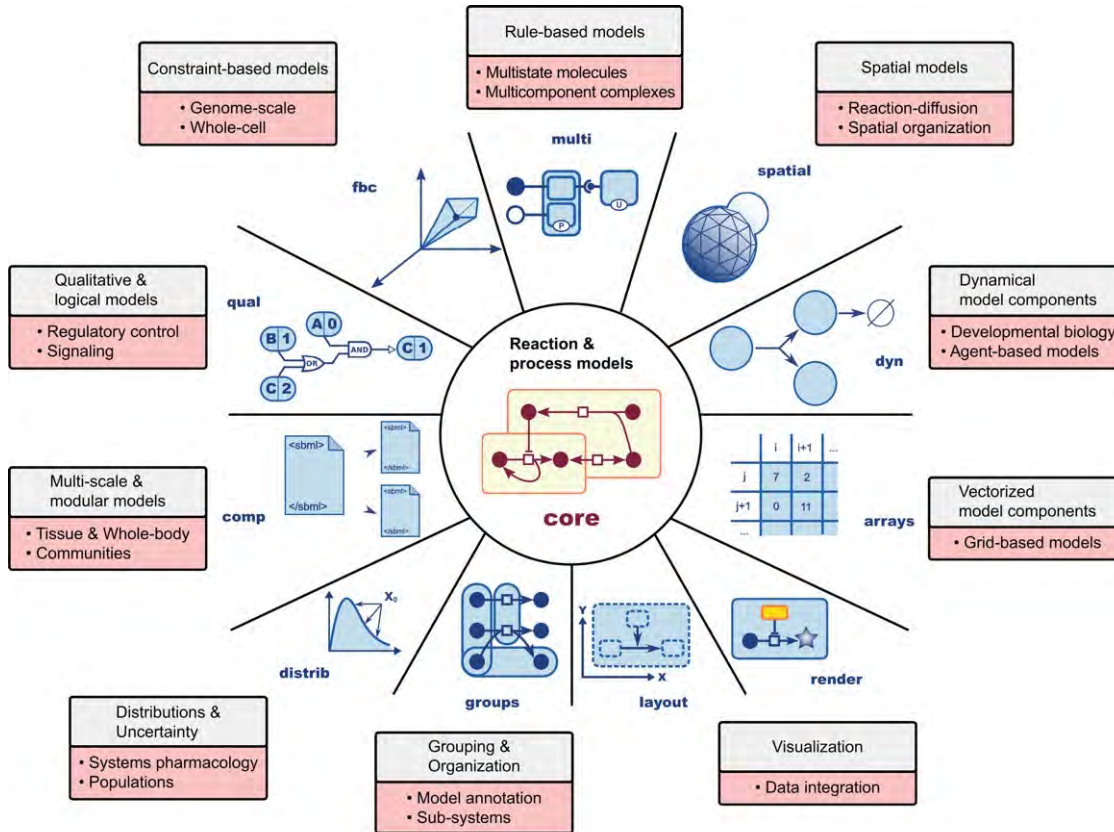
Recommendations and standards for

- ⇒ Data integration
- ⇒ Model validation
- ⇒ Legal/ethical issues (e.g. patient rights, GDPR)

e.g.

- **ISO 20691:2022** Requirements for data formatting and description in the life sciences
- **ISO/TS 9491** Biotechnology — Recommendations and requirements for predictive computational models in personalised medicine research — Part 1: Guidelines for constructing, verifying and validating models Part 2: Guidelines for implementing computational models in clinical integrated decision support systems
- **ISO 4454:2022** Genomics informatics — Phenopackets: A format for phenotypic data exchange
- **ISO 23494 series:** Biotechnology — Provenance information model for biological material and data
- **Community standards:** e.g. COMBINE, GA4GH, etc.

e.g. Formats for Computational Models on Humans

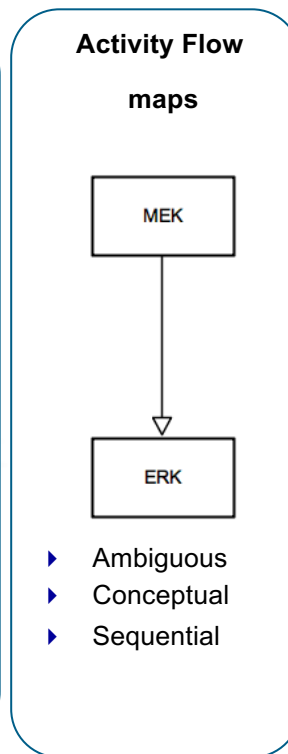
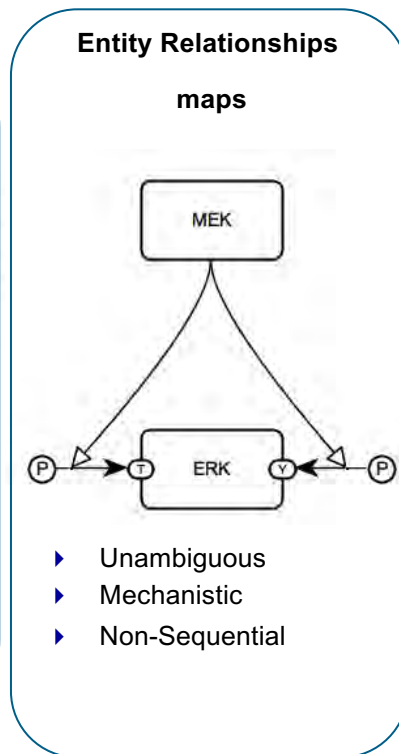
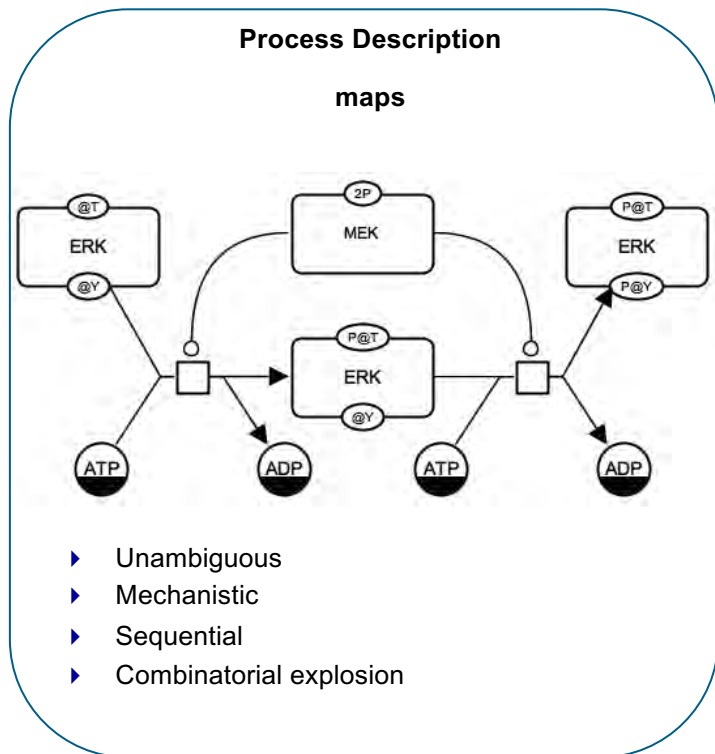


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sbml.org

Hucka M, Finney A, Sauro HM, *et al.*: **The systems biology markup language (SBML): a medium for representation and exchange of biochemical network models.** *Bioinformatics* (2003) 19(4): 524-531

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Systems Biology
Graphical Notation

Le Novère N, Hucka M, Mi H, Moodie S, Schreiber F, Sorokin A, Demir E, Wegner K, Aladjem MI, Wimalaratne SM, Bergman FT, Gauges R, Ghazal P, Kawaji H, Li L, Matsuoka Y, Villéger A, Boyd SE, Calzone L, *et al.*
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<http://www.sbgn.or>



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Core Standards

| Standards for Knowledge Representation | Standards for Visual Representation | Standards for Models and their Analyses |
|--|-------------------------------------|---|
| | | |

Associated Standards

Used by core standards

| Projects | Infrastructure | Controlled Vocabularies |
|----------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| | <i>BioModels.net</i> qualifiers | |

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Standardized and Harmonized Data Sharing: **ISO 20691** Requirements for data formatting and description in the life sciences



Meta-standard for data formatting, description, reporting, integration and sharing
→ Catalogue of criteria and requirements for life science data formats and semantic data description as prerequisites for a framework of interoperable standards



Example: Great Baltimore fire of 1904

Individual fire hydrants depending on region with 600 variations of hose couplings

→ **Need for a set of harmonized and interoperable data standards for DHTs**

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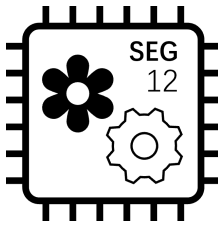
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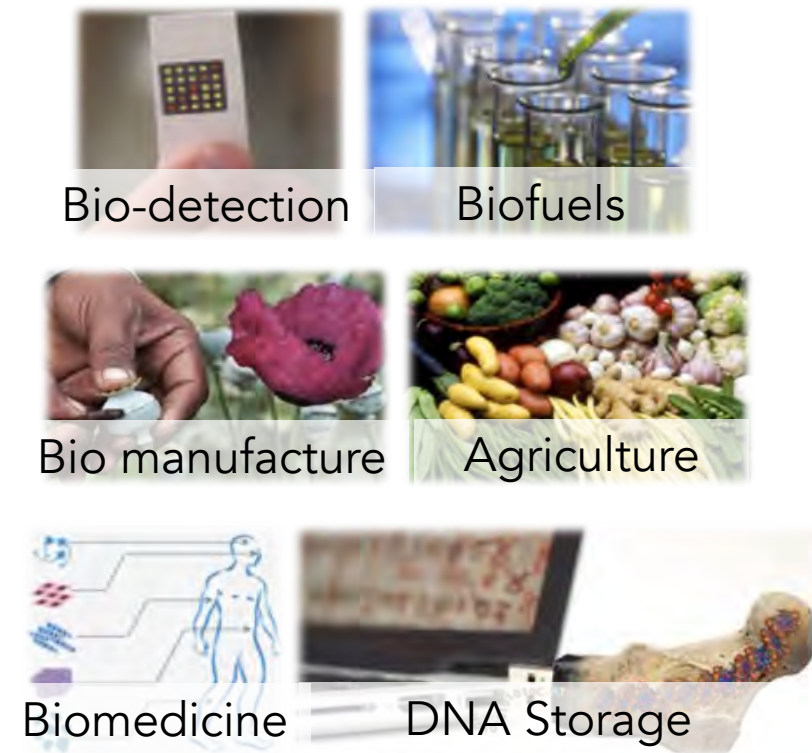
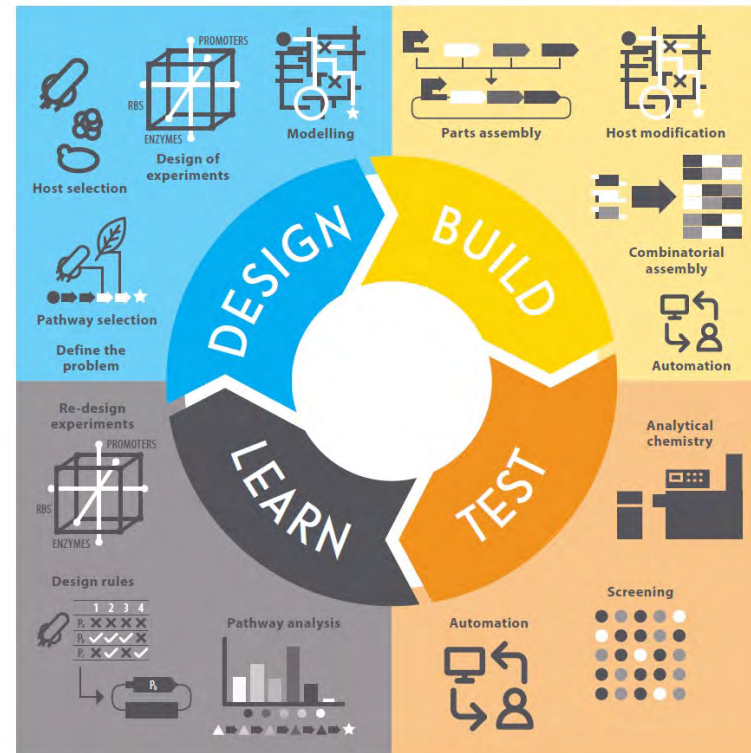
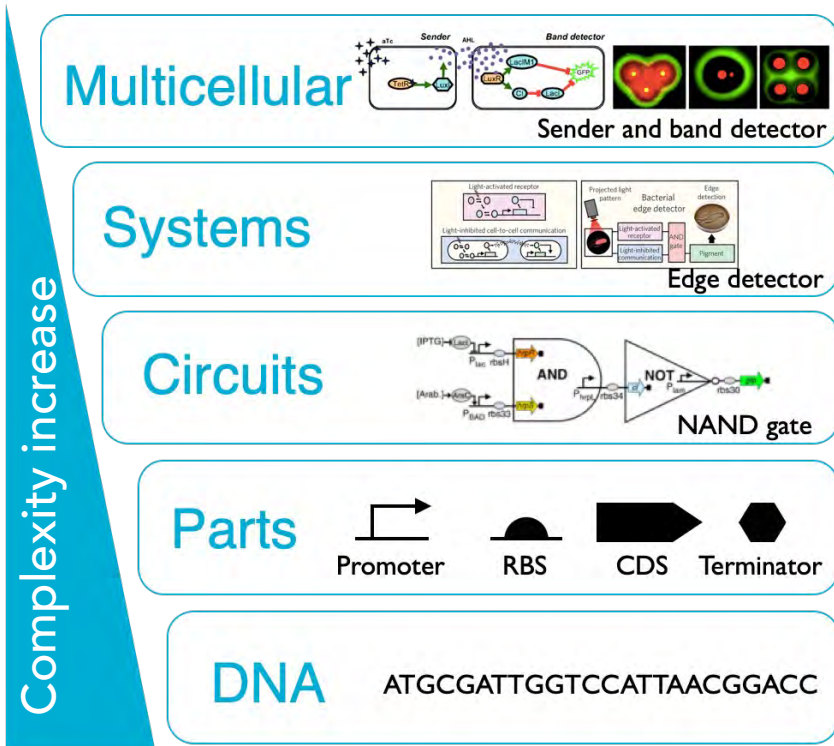


Synthetic Biology

Synthetic Biology

Definition

A new emerging multidisciplinary field that seeks to create new biological parts, devices, and systems, or to redesign existing systems for useful purposes and applications.

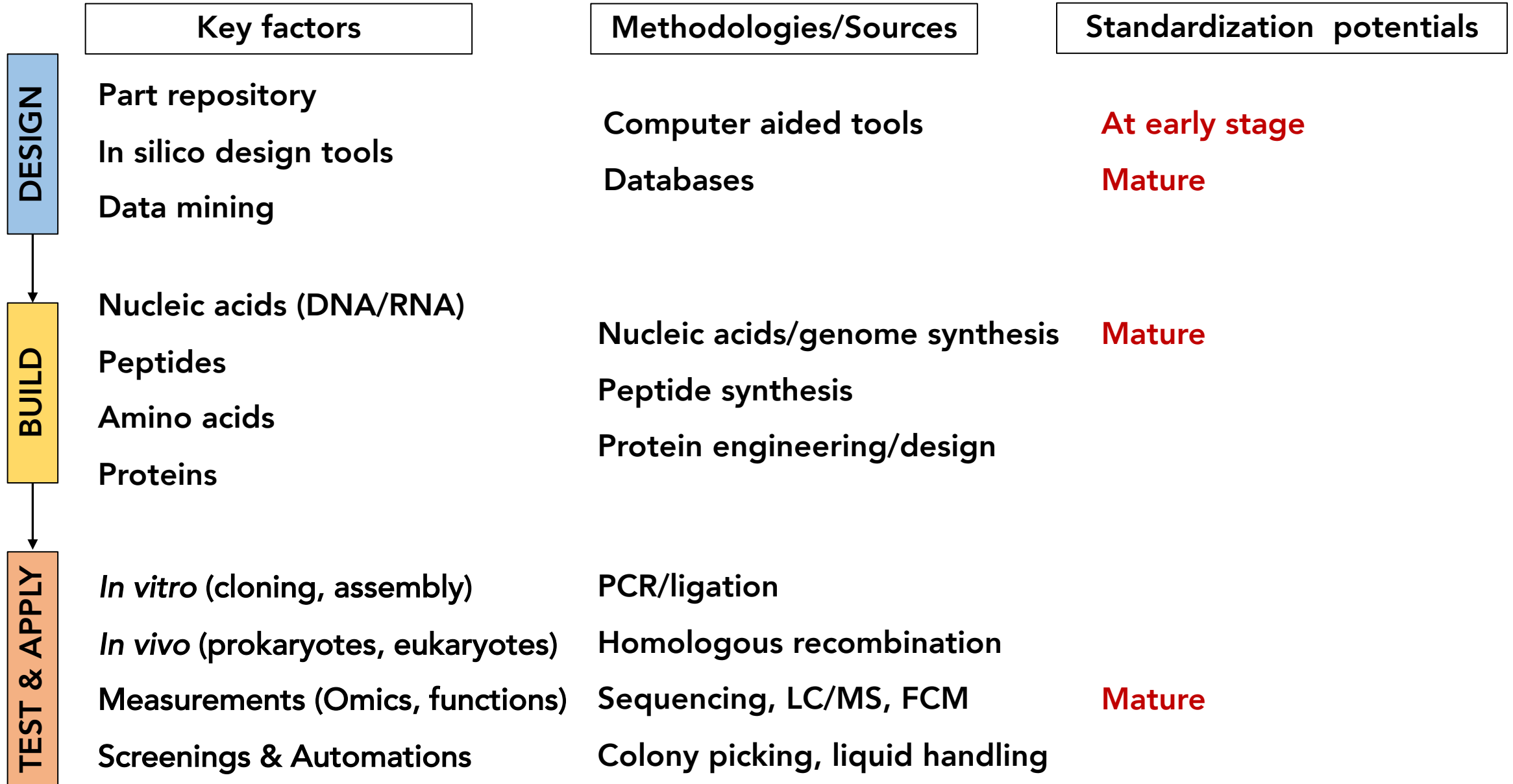


Abstraction of Synthetic Biology in different scales

Classical iterative "DBTL" cycles of Synthetic Biology

Emerging Applications of Synthetic Biology

Synthetic Biology



ISO Foresight Trend 2022-Science-Synthetic Biology

- **ISO/TC 276 Biotechnology**

ISO 5058-1:2021 Biotechnology-Genome editing-Part 1: Vocabulary

ISO 20688-1:2020 Biotechnology- Nucleic acid synthesis Part 1: Requirements for the production and quality control of synthesized oligonucleotides

ISO/CD 20688-2 Biotechnology — Nucleic acid synthesis — Part 2: General definitions and requirements for the production and quality control of synthesized gene fragment, gene, and genome

- **ISO/TC 34/SC 16 Horizontal methods for molecular biomarker analysis**

ISO 16578:2022 Molecular biomarker analysis — Requirements for microarray detection of specific nucleic acid sequences

Other related Organizations & Standards

ASTM E3072-22A

- Standard Terminology for Industrial Biotechnology and Synthetic Biology

Chinese Institute of Electronics (CIE)

- Technical specification for the coding system in DNA-based information storage

Synthetic Biology

Standards limitations

Incomplete system

No specific **standard roadmap** for synthetic biology

Less coverage

DNA synthesis

Food and Agricultural application

No counterpart TC

Partly in ISO/TC 48&276&212&215

Partly related to ISO/IEC JTC1

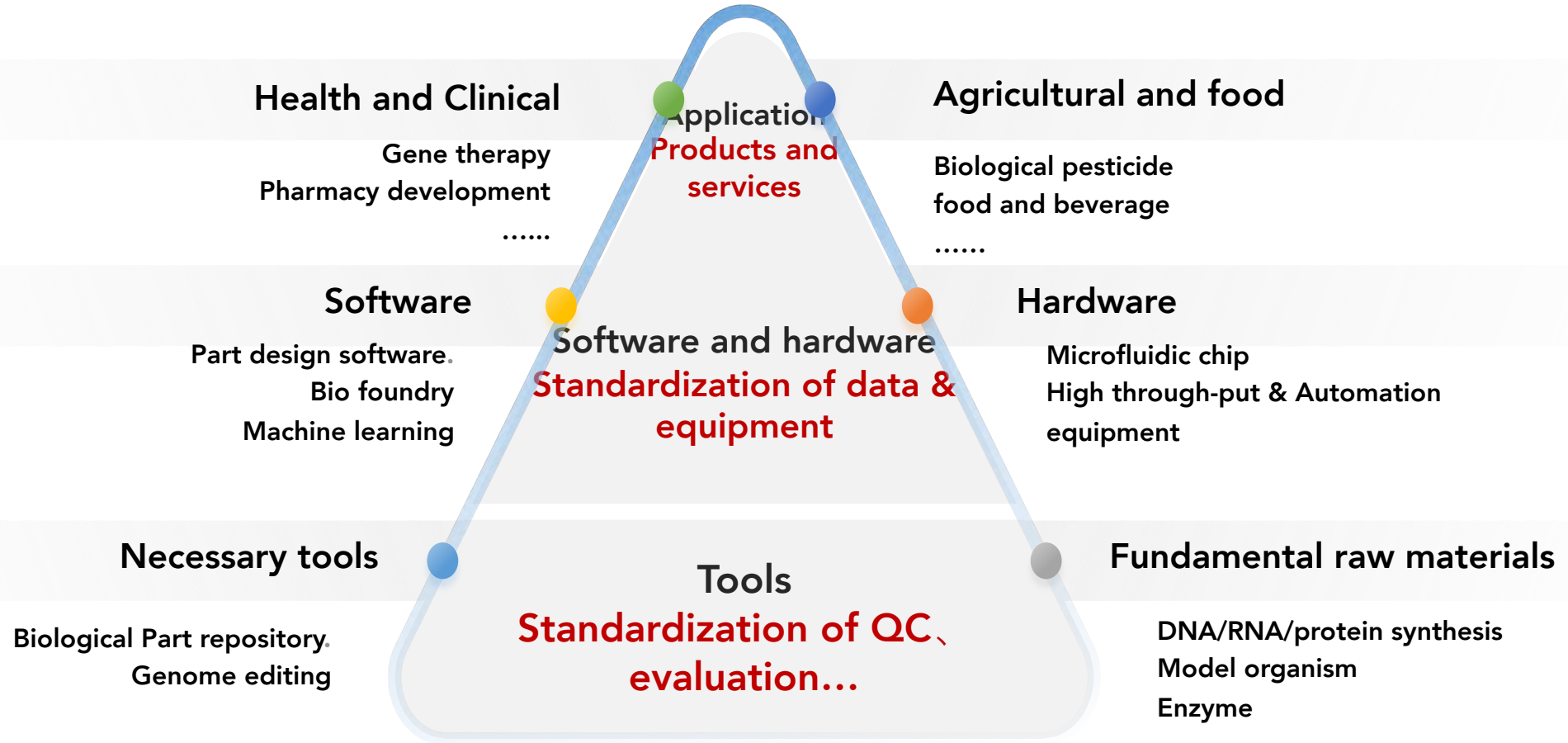
Lagging behind tech

No international **vocabulary & general standard**

Less foundation standards on part and data

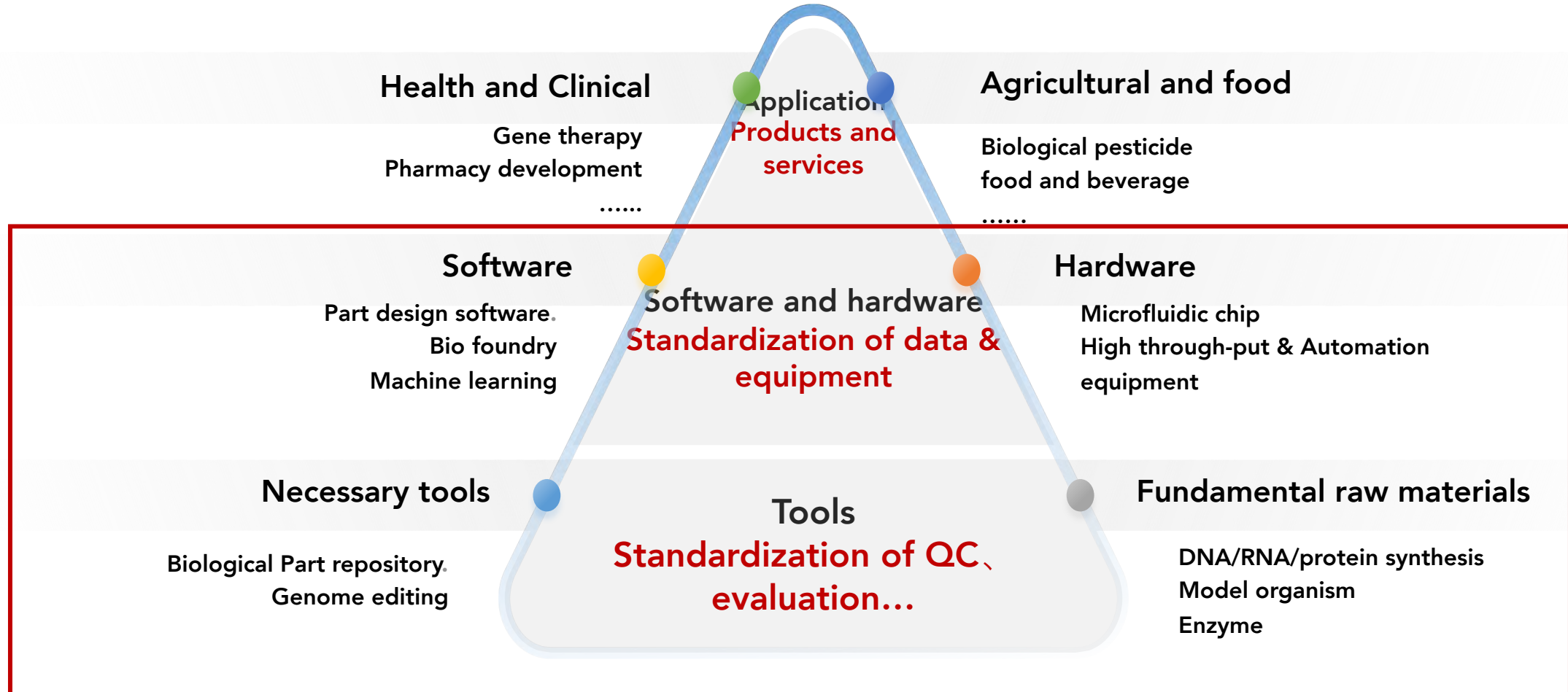
Synthetic Biology

Standards needed



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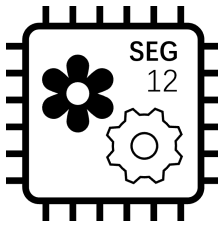
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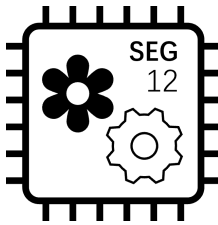
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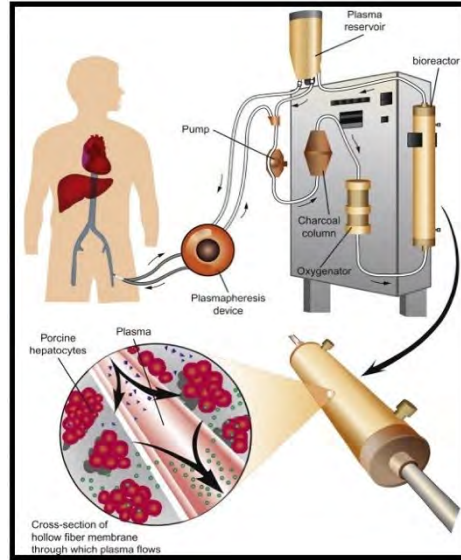


Artificial Organs & Organoids

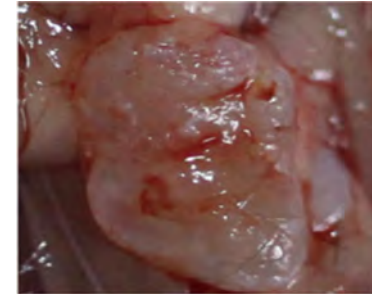
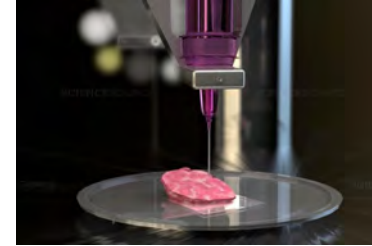
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Mechanical
Artificial Heart

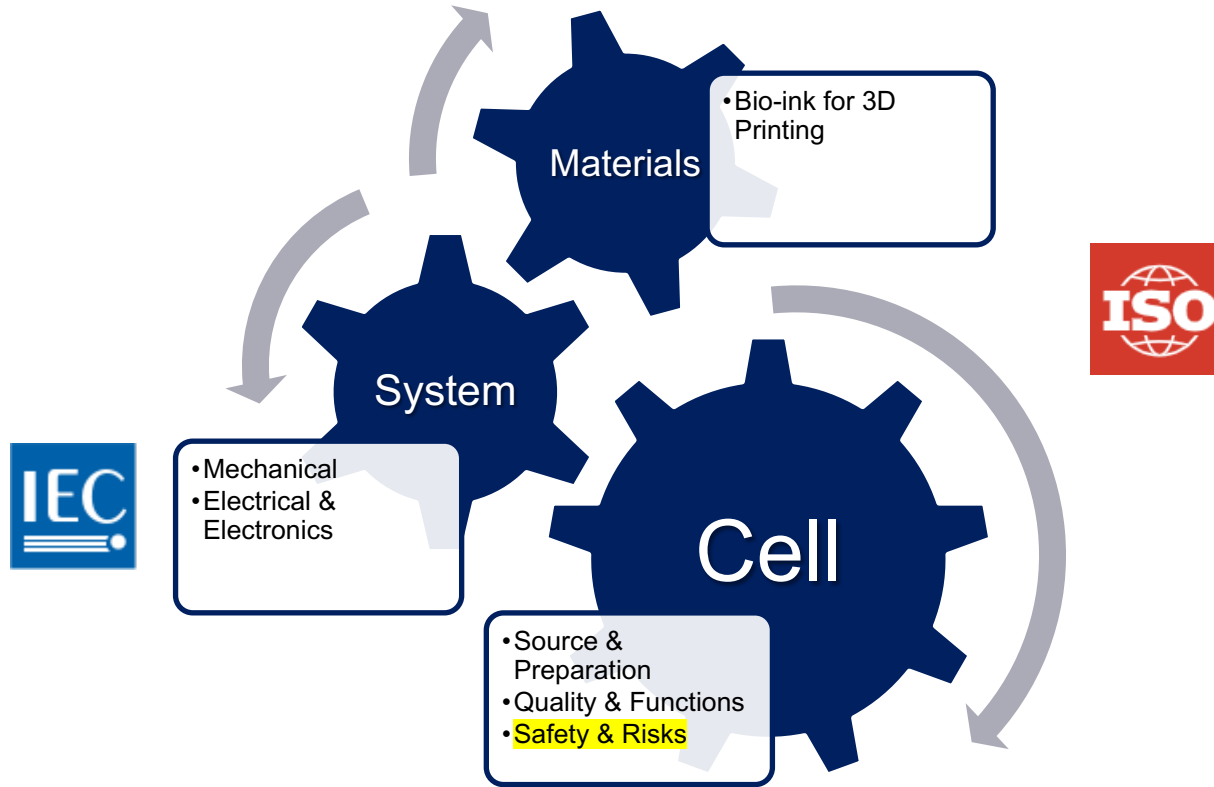
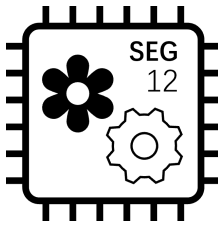


Biomechanical
Bioartificial Liver

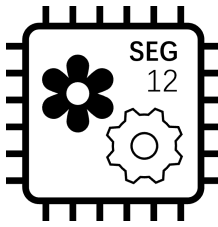


Biological
3D-printing Liver

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- **Existing International Standardization Organizations**



ISO
Standards:

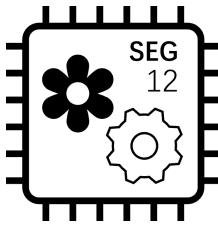
Under Development:

- ISO/CD TS 23511.2 Biotechnology — General requirements and considerations for cell line authentication
- ISO/WD TS 7833 Extraction method of nanomaterials from organs by the proteinase K digestion

Published:

- ISO 13022:2012 Medical products containing viable human cells — Application of risk management and requirements for processing practices
- And a series of standards in the scope of “Cardiovascular implants and artificial organs” (Total: 9 standards)

Artificial Organs & Organoids



Published ISO standards on the topic of Cardiovascular implants and artificial organs:

- ISO 18193:2021 Cardiovascular implants and artificial organs — Cannulae for extracorporeal circulation
- ISO 15675:2016 Cardiovascular implants and artificial organs — Cardiopulmonary bypass systems — Arterial blood line filters
- ISO 15674:2016 Cardiovascular implants and artificial organs — Hard-shell cardiotomy/venous reservoir systems (with/without filter) and soft venous reservoir bags
- ISO 7199:2016 Cardiovascular implants and artificial organs — Blood-gas exchangers (oxygenators)
- ISO 15676:2016 Cardiovascular implants and artificial organs — Requirements for single-use tubing packs for cardiopulmonary bypass and extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO)
- ISO/TS 23810:2018 Cardiovascular implants and artificial organs — Checklists for use of extracorporeal circulation equipment
- ISO 15675:2016/Amd 1:2020 Cardiovascular implants and artificial organs — Cardiopulmonary bypass systems — Arterial blood line filters — Amendment 1: Connectors
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Other SDOs?



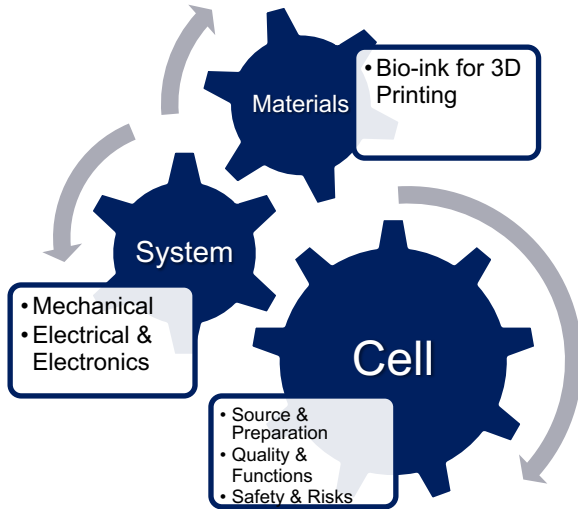
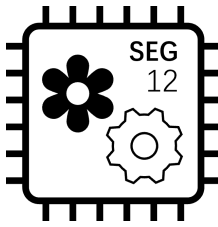
European Society for Artificial Organs



ISO/TC 150/SC 2 Cardiovascular implants and extracorporeal systems



Artificial Organs & Organoids



- IEC/SEG 12 - BioDigital Convergence
- IEC/TC 62 - Electrical equipment in medical practice
- IEC/TC 77 - Electromagnetic compatibility
- IEC/TC 113 - Nanotechnology for electrotechnical products and systems

More on Electrotechnical aspects and at the System level...

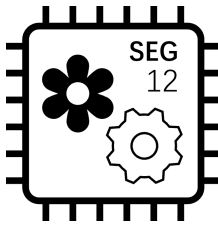


- ISO/TC 276 - Biotechnology
- ISO/TC 150 - Implants for surgery
- ISO/TC 194 - Biological and clinical evaluation of medical devices
- ISO/TC 262 - Risk management

More on Biological/Clinical aspects and towards regulations

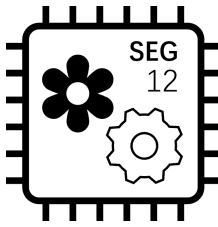
Standardization Needs:

- ✓ **Cell/Reagents/Production/Facilities/Equipment**
- ✓ **Ethics/Risks/Social Impacts**



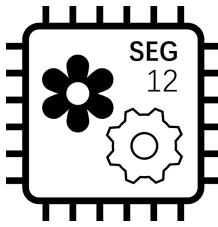
Further Topics

CAR-T cells



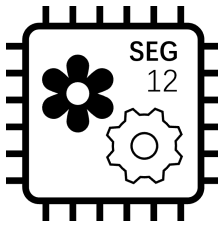
- Emerging technology with immense potential
- Currently focused on tumors (leukemia, but increasingly also solid tumors), but extending to non-malignant disease
- Standardization currently based on established guidelines, such as: GLP, GMP, GCP
- For therapeutic use national regulations apply
 - Guidelines from FDA, Health Canada, EMA
 - Accreditation for cell therapy (FACT, JACIE)
 - Drug safety and efficacy approval required for commercial CAR-T products
- Guidelines by professional societies (International Society for Cell & Gene Therapy (ISCT))

CAR-T cells



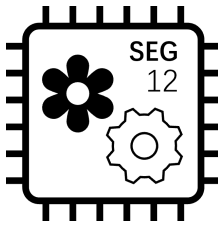
- Existing standards/standards under development
 - ISO/TC 276/WG 3 and WG 4 for cell therapeutic products
 - Published standards
 - ISO/TS 20399 series Biotechnology — Ancillary materials present during the production of cellular therapeutic products
 - ISO 21973 Biotechnology — General requirements for transportation of cells for therapeutic use
 - ISO 23033 Biotechnology — Analytical methods — General requirements and considerations for the testing and characterization of cellular therapeutic products
 - ISO/TS 23565 Biotechnology — Bioprocessing — General requirements and considerations for equipment systems used in the manufacturing of cells for therapeutic use
 - Standards under development
 - ISO/AWI 8934 Biotechnology — General considerations and requirements for cell viability analytical methods
 - ISO/DIS 20404 Biotechnology — Bioprocessing — General requirements for the design of packaging to contain cells for therapeutic use

CAR-T cells



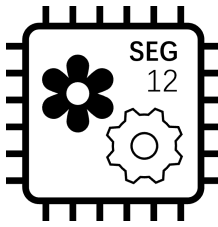
- **Potential standardization targets**
 - Pre-commercial development/pre-clinical phase not covered
 - Standardization needs notwithstanding extensive regulation
 - Safety of viral products, quality of viral vectors
 - Handling in the lab
 - Data standards
 - [The Regenerative Medicine Standards Portal](#)

CRISPR



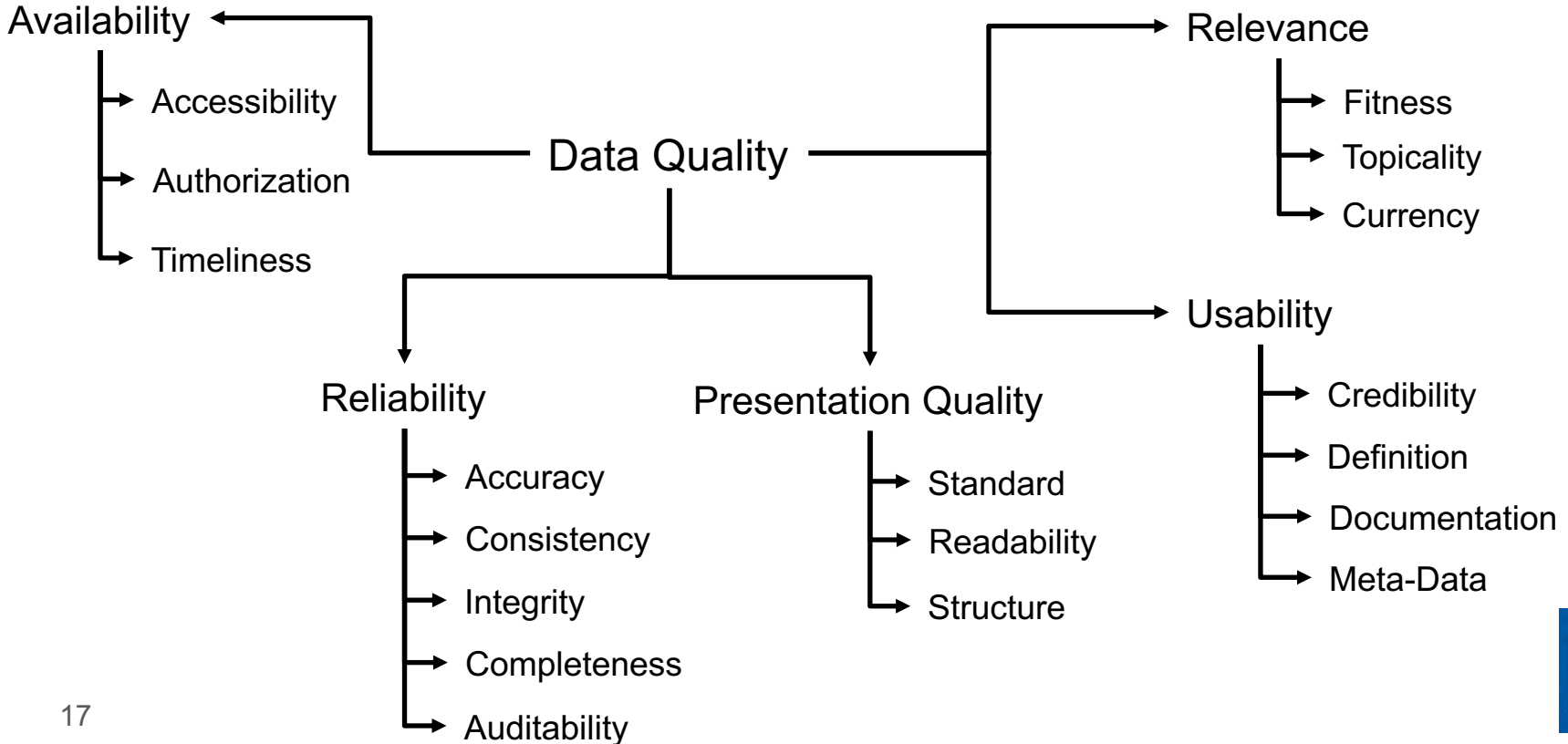
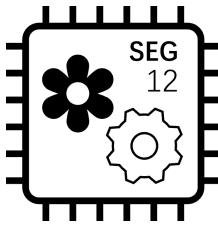
- Genetic engineering technology with (almost) unlimited application spectrum
- For all colors of biotechnology (green, white, red, blue)
- Standards
 - ISO 5058-1:2021 Biotechnology — Genome editing — Part 1: Vocabulary
 - ISO 20688 series Biotechnology — Nucleic acid synthesis
 - ISO/AWI 24480 Biotechnology — Validation of Database used for nucleotide sequence evaluation
 - [The Regenerative Medicine Standards Portal](#)

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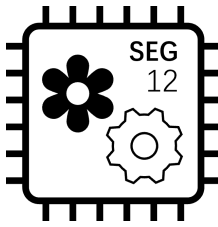


- **Potential Areas to Standardize**
 - **Criteria for assessing product performance consistently applicable across products in the gene therapy field.**
 - **Identification of factors affecting product performance**
 - **Appropriate thresholds for performance data**
 - **Guidelines for sample preparation**
 - **Product performance test selection and requirements**
 - **Critical quality attributes applied both early and late in development**
 - **Risk-based framework for assessing comparability to support manufacturing changes**

Dimensions of Data Quality

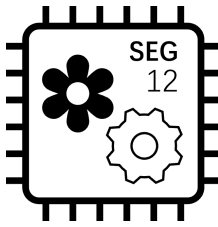


Data Quality



- Existing standards
 - ISO/TC 276/WG 5 Data processing and integration
 - ISO 20691 Biotechnology — Requirements for data formatting and description in the life sciences
 - ISO 23494 series: Biotechnology — Provenance information model for biological material and data
 - ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 7 Software and systems engineering
 - ISO/IEC 25000 series
 - ISO/IEC 25012:2008 Software engineering — Software product Quality Requirements and Evaluation (SQuaRE) — Data quality model
 - ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 42 Artificial intelligence
 - ISO/IEC CD 5259 series: Artificial intelligence — Data quality for analytics and machine learning (ML)
 - ISO/TC 184/SC 4 Industrial data
 - ISO 8000 series Data quality

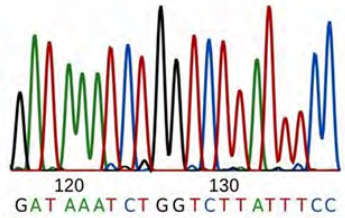
Data Quality



- **Standardization needs and gaps**
 - Fundamental to any application
 - **FAIR-principles** (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, Reusable) ensure reusability and verifiability
 - **Additional quality dimensions**
 - Metrological traceability
 - Comparability
 - Validity
 - **Generic specifications mostly insufficient, Domain specific requirements needed**



Thank you!



Targeted mutagenesis

CRISPR Cas9

Site Directed Nucleases

New Breeding Techniques

Precision biotechnology

Plant Breeding Innovation

New Plant Breeding Techniques

GMO Metabolic engineering

Synthetic biology

Targeted Genome Optimization

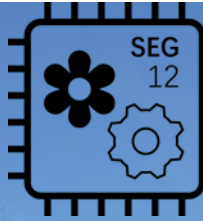
GENE EDITING

Genome editing

'on-target'

CRISPR editing

emerging biotechnology



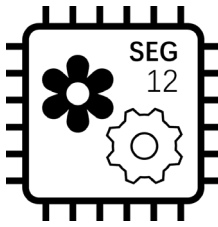
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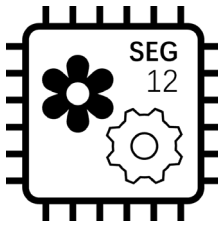


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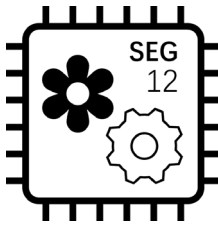
Scope of WG5



- BioDigital standardization opportunities in the Bioengineering of agricultural systems and systems of systems, including forestry, aquaculture, livestock farming, cellular agriculture and molecular pharming. This includes internet of things applications (such as precision agriculture), embodied computing for animals, genetic engineering of food as well as the UN sustainable development goal SDG2: End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture.



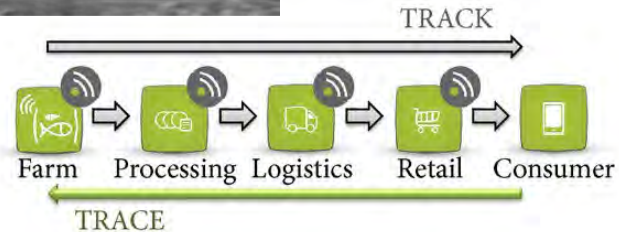
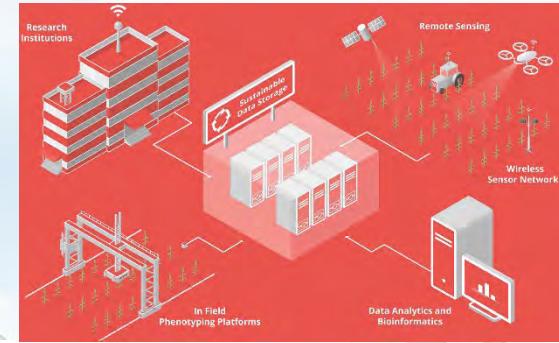
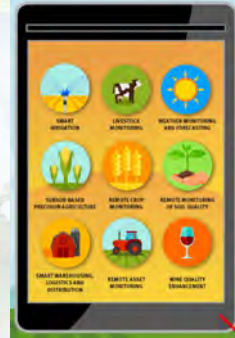
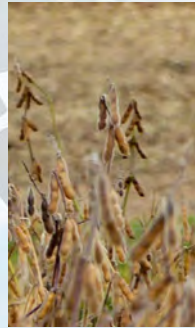
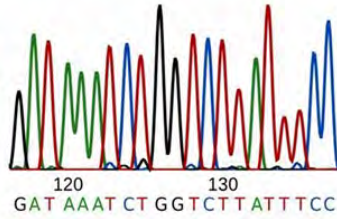
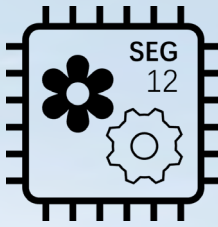
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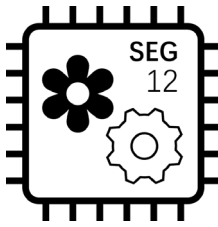
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The Convergence of Bio and Digital Technologies in Agriculture



Challenges

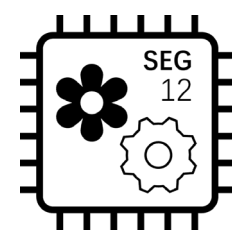


- Small number of participants with a limited range of expertise
- No success in broadening expert group
- Low attendance at meetings
- Competition from ISO Smartfarming initiative

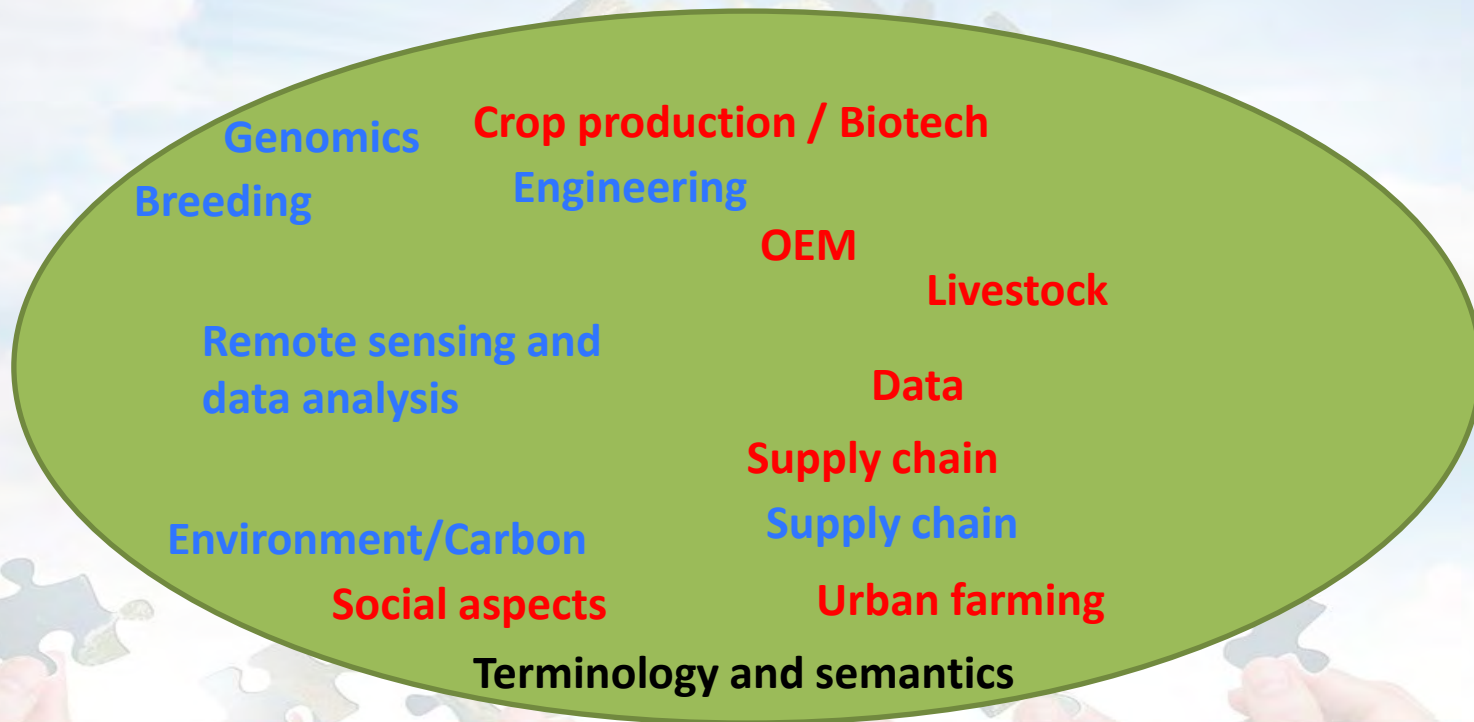
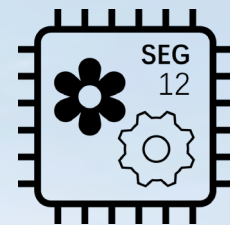
- However, those that attended were very engaged.

What is the ISO Smart Farming Initiative

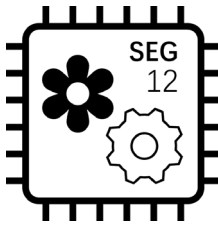
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Overlap with Smartfarming



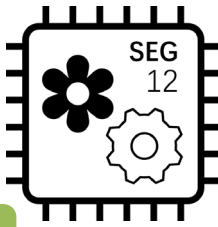
Who needs Standardization?



- Genetic Engineering and breeding of plants and animals (including fish, cellular organisms etc.)
- Digitalization of processes in cellular agriculture and molecular pharming.
- Remote sensing, acquisition of data, and integration of enormous data sets, leading to sharing for optimization of precision agriculture.
- Supply chains to achieve food security and reduce food loss
 - From seed to food, feed and fiber
- Understanding nutrition needs and how to improve nutrition
- What does sustainable agriculture actually mean? (SDG2)



Who might have relevant standards?



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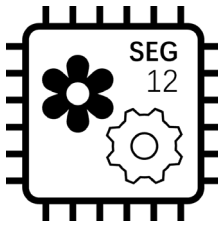
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- ISO/TC 276 – Biotechnology
- ISO/TC 34/SC16 – Molecular Biomarkers (Food and agriculture)
- ISO/SAG SF-SG9 – Smartfarming
- ISO/TC 23/SC 19 – Agricultural electronics
- ISO/TC 20/SC 16 – Unmanned aircraft systems
- IWA 42:2022: Net zero guidelines – how can digitalization impact global warming?
- Sustainability Standards – cf London Declaration?

Breeding and grading standards (e.g., Cattle, Apples,)

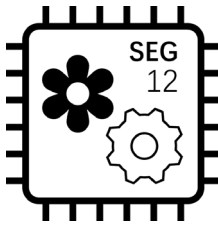
USDA FACT (Food and Agriculture Cyberinformatics and Tools)

DNA sequencing and data handling



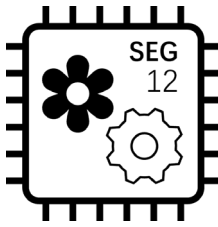
- ISO/TR 3985:2021 - Biotechnology — Data publication — Preliminary considerations and concepts
- ISO 20397-1:2022 - Biotechnology — Massively parallel sequencing — Part 1: Nucleic acid and library preparation
- ISO 20397-2:2021 - Biotechnology — Massively parallel sequencing — Part 2: Quality evaluation of sequencing data
- PWI 24480 - Biotechnology — Validation of Database used for nucleotide sequence evaluation

Standardization in Biobanking



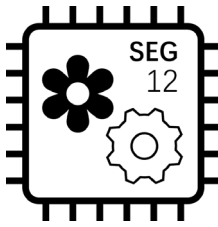
- ISO 20387:2018 - Biotechnology — Biobanking — General requirements for biobanking
- ISO/TS 23105:2021 - Biotechnology — Biobanking — Requirements for the biobanking of plant biological material for research and development (does not cover seed)
- ISO/AWI 16677-1 - Biobanking — Biobanking genetic material for biodiversity and conservation of genetic material — Part 1: Agricultural animal species

Standardization of Analytical methods (DNA or protein)



- CGX-74
- ISO 24276
- ISO 21569
- ISO 21570
- ISO 21571
- ISO 21572
- ISO/TS 16393
- ISO 22942-1
- ISO 13495
- ISO/WD 11781
- ISO 20813
- ISO 22949-1
- ISO/TS 20224
- ISO 16578
- ISO/CD 5354-1
- ISO/CD TS 5354-2
- ISO 16577
- ISO/TR 17622 and 17623

Data Communication (equipment)



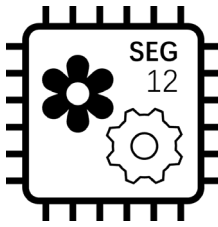
- ISO/TC 23/SC 19 - Agricultural electronics
 - ISO 11783 series - Tractors and machinery for agriculture and forestry



- ISO/TC 20/SC 16 - Unmanned aircraft systems
 - ISO 21384 series - Unmanned aircraft systems
 - ISO 23629 series - UAS traffic management (UTM)
 - ISO 24356:2022 - General requirements for tethered unmanned aircraft systems



Remote sensing, acquisition of data, and integration of data sets



- Although there are standards for data exchange, there does not appear to be a general willingness to standardize data acquisition and interoperability
- On-site data acquisition using smartphone apps. Rural internet?
- ITU-T Y.2238: “However, there exist many difficulties to establish services and systems to actualize the convergence service in the agricultural field to cope with various problems such as time-varying weather changes, growth condition of farm products, and continual diseases or technical problems such as battery life and sensor malfunctions due to severe conditions.”
- ISO/SAG SF-SG9 has suggested several professional terms about smart agricultural equipment. However, it is struggling to focus on gap analysis.
- **The issues of the ownership and monetarization of data are in the way.**

Standardization in Supply Chains

Applications of knowledge graphs for food science and industry
 Min et al., 2022 <https://doi.org/10.1016>

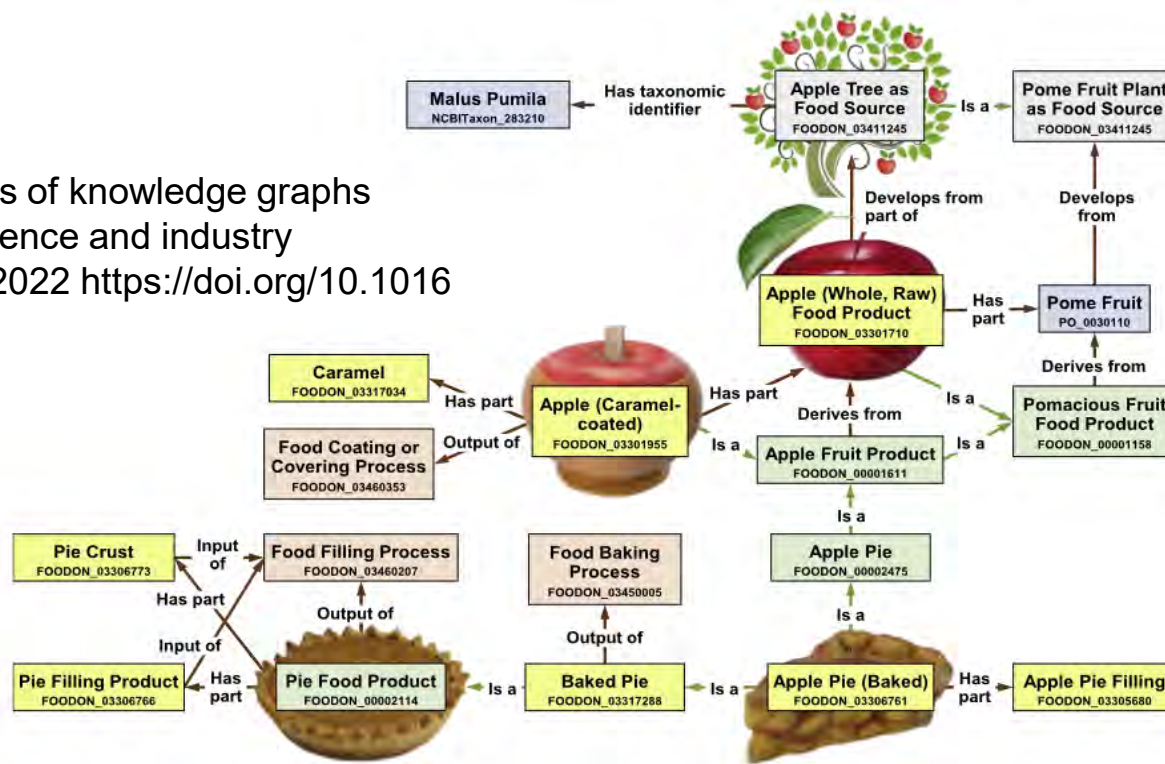
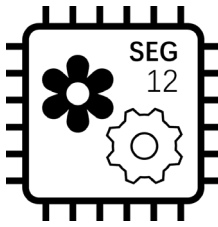


Figure 4. A simplified structure of FoodOn

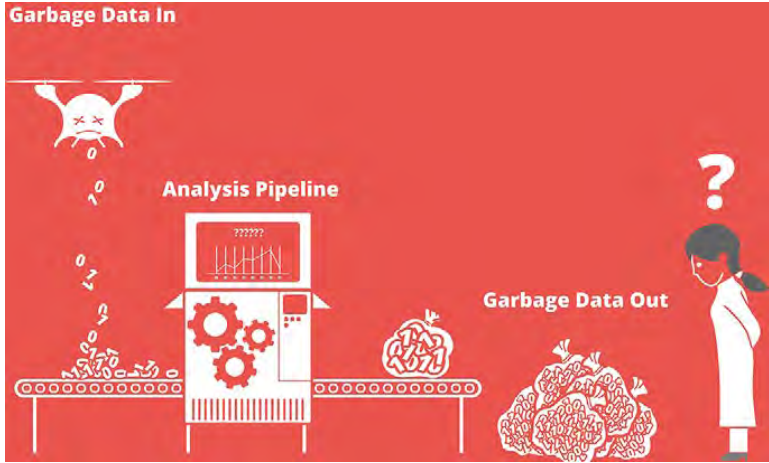
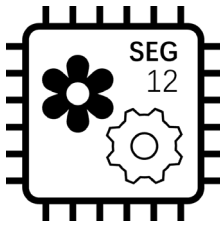
In this example, the relations among food sources, products, and related food processes of apples are described. Different entities are shown in different colors according to their classes. These entities are linked by different relations with different colors according to the type of relations. ¹⁵

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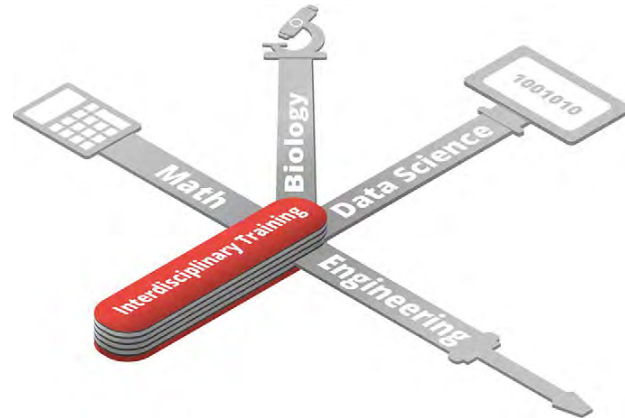
- There have been demonstrations of blockchain processes in supply chains.
- Some demonstrations (e.g. 2017 melons/Walmart/IBM) have not subsequently been heard much of publicly.
- Although some are deploying blockchain and digital twins internally, we are not aware of any wider standardization initiative.
- Lots of hype in digital twins/modeling, but actual offers of off-shelf cannot cope with complexity of supply chains
- Push for competitive advantage by users hampers standardization
- Data interconnection and data integration are difficult, so may cover certain sections
- Difficulties include the issue of the ownership of data within the blockchain, possibility for large entities to control prices etc.

Standardization – Integration of Ag. Systems



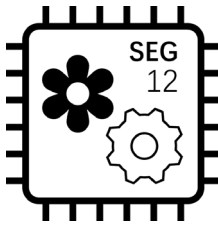
Shakoor 2019 – USDA FACT Initiative

“The most important challenge is to ensure that the plant science communities and data analytics communities know how to use these data to deliver actionable results for scientists and farmers.”

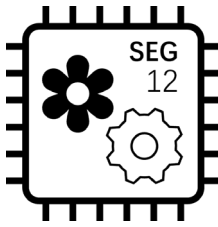
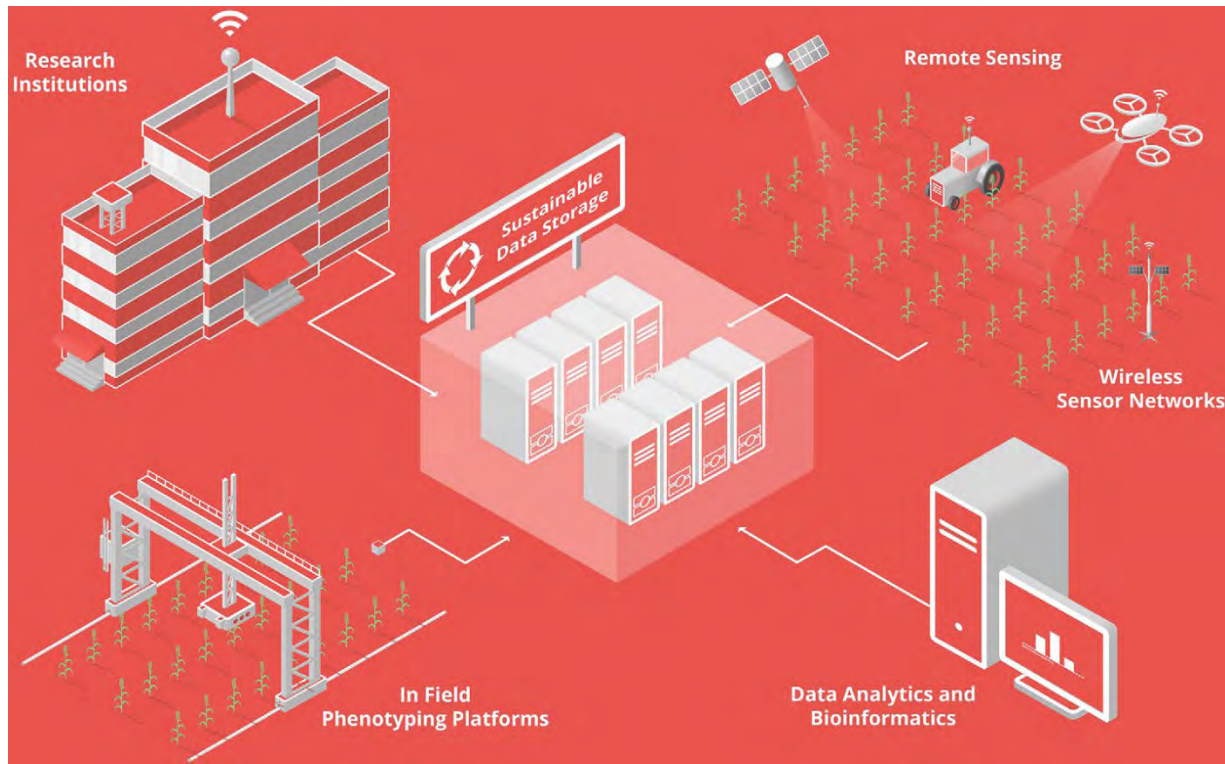


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Future developments



- Improvements in managing and understanding huge genomic and sensor data sets
- Integration of teams of data scientists, statisticians and biologists
- Interoperability of sensor and other data and between systems for timely on-the-farm decision making
- Resolution of data ownership issues in sensing, machinery, blockchain etc.
- Blockchain technology increases transparency, but can it be used to model and improve supply chain behavior??



Thankyou Questions/Discussion?



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