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Procedural Medicine in the Digital Age

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French-American Innovation Days are events organized by the Office for Science and Technology of the Embassy of France in the United States. They are high-level events where actors of innovation (researchers, companies) have the opportunity to exchange views on a specific technological issue, start co-operative activities and develop business transactions with a transatlantic perspective. The goal of the program is to facilitate the development of innovation ties between France and America by bringing together scientists, companies and other interested stakeholders from both countries.

This second FAID to be held in Houston is dedicated to “Procedural Medicine in the Digital Age”.

Since the advent of minimally invasive surgery and the commercialization of the Da Vinci robotic surgical system in the early 2000s, surgical procedures have been undergoing a profound revolution. Today, surgical procedures integrate more and more computer based devices, whether for robotic purposes or assistance to the surgeon for decision making. Associated with reduced incisions, shorter recovery times, improved precision, and offering the possibility of remote surgery, robotic and computer assisted surgery have proved as a major benefit to the patient. These innovations often derive from decades of research and development in robotic and digital sciences, requiring large investments that only a few corporates could afford.

Today, actors of innovation in robotic and computer assisted surgery, and to a larger extent digital health, are diversifying. Startups designing highly specified products across a growing spectrum of healthcare, requiring less massive investments with appropriate business models emerge. This trend received strong impetus with the emergence of artificial intelligence and deep learning techniques. Whether used to improve medical diagnosis, like tumor detection at very early stages of development, or to harness the exponentially growing medical and patient data, deep tech startups developing AI based medical technologies and health data management applications have boomed on both sides of the Atlantic. With the creation of a national Health Data Hub, integrated within a $1.5 billion “AI for humanity” plan, France has set AI empowered health as a national priority.

As the largest medical center in the world, featuring world class institutions using top notch technologies, the Texas Medical Center of Houston fosters the best resources of medical innovation. The purpose of the French American Innovation Day is to bring together actors of research and innovation from both the TMC innovation ecosystem and France in order to discuss emerging trends of digital innovation in procedural medicine.
ORGANIZERS

The Office for Science and Technology of the French Embassy is a team of 24 staff members including professors, senior researchers and engineers dedicated to facilitating bilateral FR-US collaborations in Science and Technology. Main priorities are to monitor and report advances in Science and Technology in the US through newsletters and diplomatic channels, promote bilateral partnerships in science, technology and innovation, foster exchanges and increase mobility of researchers, doctoral students and entrepreneurs, serve as a liaison between French and American academic and scientific organizations as well as between the two countries’ central governments and the European Delegation.

PARTNERS

The TMC Institute of Innovation is a unique learning environment aimed at impacting the health care industry through the collaboration of medicine and cutting-edge technology from around the world. By supporting entrepreneurs as they broaden their vision and network, TMC accelerator helps companies take their products from bench to bed. The TMC Innovation Institute is shaping the future of health care by uniting promising innovators with the best minds in academia, science and medicine. Programs help startups streamline the development of therapeutic, diagnostic, medical device and digital health breakthroughs in world’s largest medical complex.

The French American Chamber of Commerce is a non-profit, non-governmental, 100% independent, member-driven organization, made by companies for companies. The mission: foster the French-American business community, support businesses in their settlement and development in Houston and build bridges for US companies with France. The FACC Houston is a place to exchange, learn and network. Ideally located in the heart of startup incubator Station Houston and with a board member with top executives from different fields, the FACC is a principal HUB for startups who want to settle in Texas.

Station Houston aims to transform Houston into a world-leading hub for technology innovation and entrepreneurship. This vision unfolds as a vibrant community where people live, work and play, with Station serving as the connective tissue fostering a culture of innovation. Launched in March of 2016, Station Houston membership now includes over 180 startups, 350 members, 130 mentors, and dozens of high-impact strategic partnerships with corporations that represent the key industries driving Houston’s economy. Station Houston has begun investing in some of its most promising startups.
INRIA, the French National Institute for Research in Computer Science and Control, promotes scientific excellence and technology transfer to maximize its impact. Its 200 agile project teams involve more than 3,000 scientists in meeting the challenges of computer science and mathematics, often at the interface of other disciplines. INRIA works with many companies and has assisted in the creation of over 160 startups.

INSERM is a public scientific and technological institute which operates under the joint authority of the French Ministries of Health and Research. The institute is dedicated to biomedical research and human health, and is involved in the entire range of activities from the laboratory to the patient’s bedside. It also partners with the most prestigious research institutions in the world that are committed to scientific challenges and progress in these fields. Since 2009, INSERM is also the coordinator of AVIESAN, the French National Alliance for Life and Health Sciences, gathering national institutions, universities and hospitals active in the field of the life sciences and health. INSERM partners with the most prestigious research institutions over the world which are committed to address the scientific challenges related to the science for human health.

The University of Grenoble-Alps is the third largest university in France with about 45,000 students and over 3,000 researchers. It is engaged in hundreds of research and teaching partnerships, including close collaboration with the French National Centre for Scientific Research and the French Alternative Energies and Atomic Energy Commission. UGA has been cited among the best and most innovative universities in Europe.

The University of Lyon is a world-class academic site of excellence. Awarded with the Initiative d’Excellence national label in 2017, it is the second cluster for education and research in France. It accounts for 140,000 students, 17 doctoral schools welcoming 5,400 PhD students, 6,800 researchers accounting for 6.4% of all French scientific publications. It gathers 168 laboratories, 28 international joint research units with over 170 collaborative programs. The University of Lyon registers the highest number of patent applications and is the French leader in student’s entrepreneurship (+80 startups/year).

The French Foreign Trade Advisor is a network of 4000 business leaders and international experts. Present in all Regions in France and in more than 140 countries, the French Foreign Trade Advisors carry out daily concrete actions in partnership with public and private actors having a role in promoting and supporting the internationalization of French companies. Appointed on the proposal of the French Secretary of State for Foreign Trade, French Foreign Trade Advisors are invested by the public authorities of four missions: advising the public authorities, supporting companies, training young people and promoting France’s attractiveness internationally.
AGENDA

08:00 – Coffee & Croissants

Welcome Introductions
Alexis Andres, Consul general of France in Houston

08:30 - Barbara L. Bass, Chair of the Department of Surgery, Houston Methodist

08:35 - Yves Frenot, Counselor for Science & Technology of the French Embassy in the United States

Keynote addresses

08:40 - Managing Medical Care on Space Exploration Missions: Decision Support Systems, Artificial Intelligence, and Beyond
Jennifer Fogarty, Human Research Program Chief Scientist, NASA, USA

09:05 - INRIA research at the forefront of digital sciences for medicine
Hugues Berry, Deputy Scientific Director of INRIA for Digital Health, Biology and Earth, France

SESSION 1: “Computer-Assisted Surgery & 3D Visualization Tools”
Chairman: Ioannis Pavlidis, Professor in Computational Physiology, University of Houston

09:30 - From Computer Assisted Interventions to Symbiotic Robots
Philippe Cinquin, MD and Professor in Medical Informatics, University Grenoble Alps, France

10:00 - Guiding with touch: Objective assessment and haptic cueing to improve surgical performance on virtual and robotic platforms
Marcia K. O’Malley, Professor in Computer Science and Mechanical Engineering, Rice University, USA

10:15 - Coffee Break and Networking around Posters

10:45 - Current and future multidisciplinary perspectives on robotic oncologic surgery
Surena F. Matin, Distinguished Professor, Department of Urology, MD Anderson Cancer Center

10:55 - Leveraging Technology to Improve TransOral Robotic Surgery (TORS)
Neil D. Gross, Director of Clinical Research, Department of Head and Neck Surgery, MD Anderson Cancer Center

11:05 - Robotics in Onco-Plastic Surgery
Jesse C. Selber, Director of Clinical Research, Department of Plastic Surgery, MD Anderson Cancer Center

11:15 - Towards the design of simulators of medico-surgical gestures – An instrumental childbirth delivery simulator
Florence Zara, Associate Professor in computer graphics and virtual reality, LIRIS lab, University of Lyon

11:30 - Computational Science + Surgery = What for?
Marc Garbey, Scientific Director, Center for Computational Surgery, Houston Methodist, USA
11:45 - Computer-Aided Surgical Simulation for Craniomaxillofacial Surgery
James J. Xia, Director of the Surgical Planning Laboratory, Houston Methodist Hospital, USA

12:00 - Concluding remarks

12:15 - Buffet lunch and Networking around Posters

SESSION 2: “AI & Machine-Learning based Medical Applications”
Chairman: Clifton D. Fuller, Associate Director, MR Programmatic Development, MD Anderson Cancer Center

02:00 - Potential of artificial intelligence in medical image reconstruction and analysis for oncology applications
Dimitris Visvikis, Director of Research INSERM, Laboratory of Medical Information Processing, France

02:30 - AI in Imaging
John D. Hazle, Professor, Chairman, Department of Imaging Physics, MD Anderson Cancer Center

03:00 - Sharing Data and Image Processing Pipelines: The Information Analysis & Management initiative
Michel Dojat, Director of Research INSERM, Grenoble Institute of Neurosciences, France

03:30 - Applied Artificial Intelligence for Digital Transformation in Healthcare
Stephen T. Wong, Sr. Presidential Distinguished Chair in Biomedical Engineering, Houston Methodist

04:00 - Coffee Break and Networking around Posters

04:30 - Digitizing Brain Health: from Daily Behaviors to Neurogenesis
Amina A. Qutub, Associate Professor, Biomedical Engineering, UT San Antonio, USA

04:45 - AI for closed-loop enhancement of brain activity
Matthew J. McGinley, Assistant Professor, Neurosciences, Duncan Neurological Research Institute, USA

05:00 - Startup presentations – Chairman: Lance Black, Associate Director, TMC Innovation Institute

Laurence Chabanas (France) Surgivisio Jean-Marc Peyrat (France) InHeart
Jacques Zaneveld (USA) Lazarus 3D Michel Dojat (France) Pixyl
Pauline Choné (France) Therapixel Florian Bernard (France) Nura
Sarma Velamuri (USA) Luminare Ghjuvan Grimaud (France) Biomathematica
Jennifer Del Giudice (France) Enancio Chris DuPont (USA) Galen Data
Philippe Cinquin (France) SentinHealth Jean-Noel Albertini (France) Predisurge
Yacine Remini (France) Medeo Vaclav Potesil (USA & UK) Optellum
Pierre-Antoine Ganaye (Fr) Radiostic Donald J. Lyons (USA) Radiant HEALTH.TODAY

06:00 - Concluding remarks by Marc Garbey, Sc. Director, Center for Computational Surgery, Houston Methodist

06:10 - Networking Apéritif
### PARTICIPATING STARTUPS

| **Surgivisio** | invents and develops innovative technologies dedicated to 2D/3D imaging and computer assisted minimally-invasive surgery, with many applications in orthopedics and traumatology. The Surgivisio system is primarily specialized in spinal surgery procedures.  
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| **Inheart** | provides a tool-based service for cardiologists to plan and guide their catheter ablation procedure by visualizing their instruments in real time within a personalized virtual heart, reconstructed from the patient’s images. This service can accommodate a wide range of image quality and underlying diseases.  
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| **Lazarus 3D** | uses cutting edge 3D printing technologies to provide realistic organ models.  
Their objective is to provide the best medical training models for medical professionals to improve surgery planning, minimize medical errors, and revolutionize best practices in medicine.  
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| **Pixyl** | is a web platform that places powerful AI tools for neuroimage analysis in the hands of clinicians. Pixyl.Neuro.MS platform automatically detects multiple sclerosis brain lesions and quantifies their dissemination in space and time.  
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| **Therapixel** | is a startup specialized in medical imaging, aiming to transform diagnostic radiology with the tools of Artificial Intelligence. Therapixel won the first place of the Digital Mammography Challenge in 2017 for its Artificial Intelligence algorithm for breast cancer diagnosis.  
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| **Nurea** | develops decision support and implant personalization software for cardiovascular and thoracic surgery (e.g. aortic stents, tracheal implants, etc.)  
The possibility of simulating the impact of an implant placed on the patient make it possible to propose a personalized implant, manufactured by 3D printing.  
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| **Luminare** | develops a sepsis process improvement software for hospitals that analyzes vital signs and laboratory work-ups of patients for evidence of sepsis in a matter of minutes. Luminare’s digital application processes some 30 different variables simultaneously and helps nurses do the critical thinking.  
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| **BioMathematica** | is specialized in microbiome-related genomic data analysis and mechanistic, mathematical modeling and simulation of the microbiome to provide quantitative and predictive guidance to biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies.  
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| **Enancio** | is the equivalent of MP3 for genomic data. Structures involved in sequencing and analyzing genomes are looking at solutions to transfer, store and analyze voluminous files. With its genomic compressor, Enancio brings a solution to these problems.  
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<td>is a medical device cloud connectivity platform that allows medical device manufacturers to leverage cloud technologies easily and affordably. Galen Data allows innovators to focus on their discoveries instead of software infrastructure and is fully EU MDD, GDPR, FDA and HIPAA compliant.</td>
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<td>SentinHealth</td>
<td>is a French MedTech company specialized in innovative integrated care solutions for monitoring and preventing exacerbations of major chronic. Implanted in the stomach, the “Digital Implanted Stethoscope” monitors cardiorespiratory biomarkers evolution which allows to get excellent rough signals before any processing. Listen early to act effectively.</td>
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<td>develops the first AI Clinical Decision Support software for lung cancer diagnosis &amp; treatment, based on Artificial Intelligence &amp; Machine Learning technologies applied to the world’s largest clinical dataset.</td>
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<td>Radiostic</td>
<td>in an imaging application that will be available in the cloud, directly connected to the PACS. It automatically detects and quantifies clinical markers of stroke on a single click, such as the volume of infarcted tissue and penumbra.</td>
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<td>purpose is to address systemic weaknesses in the current healthcare system and leverage technology to address current consumer needs in the US market and beyond. This will be achieved through a multi-faceted systems and data integration approach focused upon consumer services, biometrics, analytics, and a blockchain trust platform.</td>
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POSTERS

Computational Tools for Analyzing Breast Aesthetics from 3D Surface Images
U. Sampathkumar, A. Cheong, G. Reece, S. Hanson, M. Markey and F. Merchant
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Updating preoperative Imaging for lung and brain surgery with organ biomechanical modeling
University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

Automated label-free imaging system for osteosclerosis grading in bone marrow biopsies
R. Mankar, C.E. Bueso-Ramos, C. C. Yin, S. Berisha, M. Kansiz and D. Mayerich
University of Houston, University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center and Photothermal Spectroscopy Corp. in Santa Barbara

Radiologist-Friendly and Automatic Lung Cancer Screening Using Memory Recurrent Networks
A. Mobiny, H. Nguyen, S.K. Moulik, N. Garg and C.C. Wu
University of Houston, Triradate Industries in Sugar Land and University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

BRAIN: An NSF Industry/University Cooperative Research Center On Neurotechnology
C. Artur, J. Contreras-Vidal, M. Santello
University of Houston, Arizona State University and National Science Foundation

Semi-supervised learning for segmentation under semantic constraint
P.A. Ganaye, M. Sdika and H. Benoit-Cattin
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Strain Analysis for Mitral Valve EchoCardiographic Data
P. Zhang, R. Azencott, J. He, K.C. El-Tallawi and W. A. Zoghbia
University of Houston and Houston Methodist DeBakey Heart and Vascular Center

Large-Scale Visualization and Analysis of Next-Generation Microvascular Images
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