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# **Slicer Progress in 2008**



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# Topics

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- 2008 Year in Review
- Highlights
  - Collaborations You May Not Hear About in Other Talks Today
- Plans for This Week and Beyond



# Slicer Background

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- 3D Slicer Role in NA-MIC
  - Translation Platform to get Medical Computing Technology to DBP Researchers
  - Provide Reference Implementation using NA-MIC Kit
  - Part of NA-MIC Outreach to New Applications
- ~80% Rewrite from slicer2 to slicer3
- First Slicer3 svn commit: January 26, 2006



# Progress in 2008

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- Numbers 2008
  - Subversion Commits: 2,971 (8,317)
  - Lines of Code\*: 735,536
  - Bugs & Features:
    - 239 Submitted
    - 129 Closed
  - Active Developers†: 53
- 3D Slicer Version 3.2
  - Released August 8, 2008
- Numbers 2007
  - Subversion Commits: 3,407
  - Lines of Code\*: 371,428
  - Bugs & Features:
    - 154 Submitted
    - 63 Closed
  - Active Developers†: 33

\*: `find . -iname \*.h -o -iname \*.cxx -o -iname \*.tcl -o -iname \*.java -o -name \*.py | grep -v svn | xargs wc`  
(does not include libraries or modules in external repositories)

†: `svn log | grep "^r" | cut -d " " -f 3 | sort | uniq | wc`

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# Current State

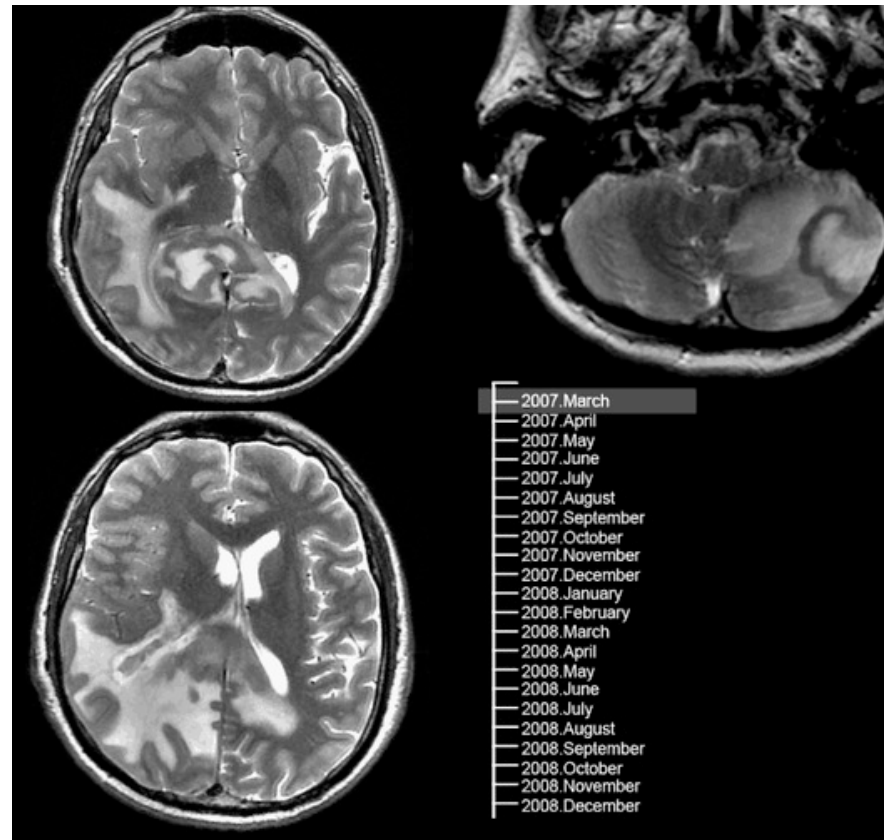
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- Base Code is Stabilizing
  - The Remaining Bugs are the “Deep” Ones
- “Real” End Users Appearing
  - People Spend Hours a Day in Slicer3
- Very Active Development
  
- *Bugs, Performance and Usability are Still Major Issues for 2009*



# Logitudinal Registration

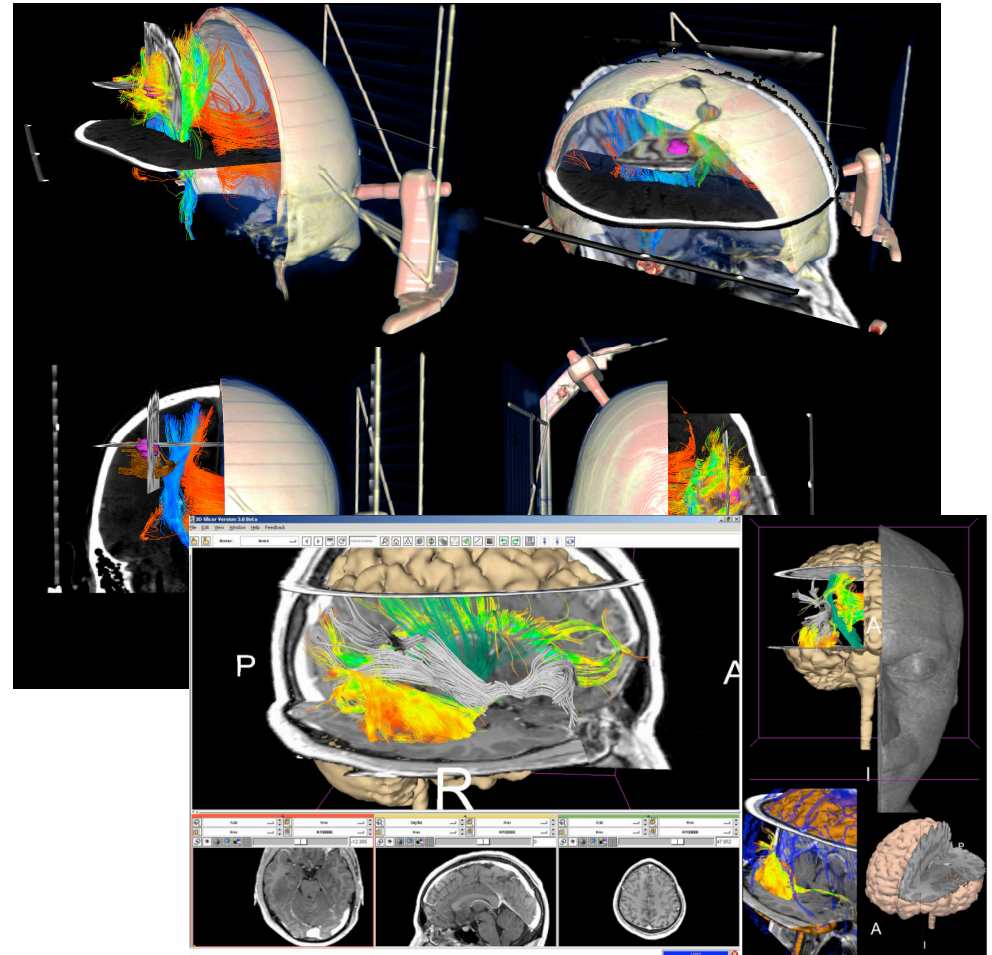
- Radiotherapy of B-Cell Lymphoma
- 13 MRI, Intensity Normalized and Registered to “Cured” Final Scan
- ITK Mattes MI Registration in Slicer2
- Video courtesy by Ervin Berenyi and Andras Jakab, Department of Medical Laboratory and Diagnostic Imaging, University of Debrecen Medical School and Health Science Center.





# Radiotherapy Visualization

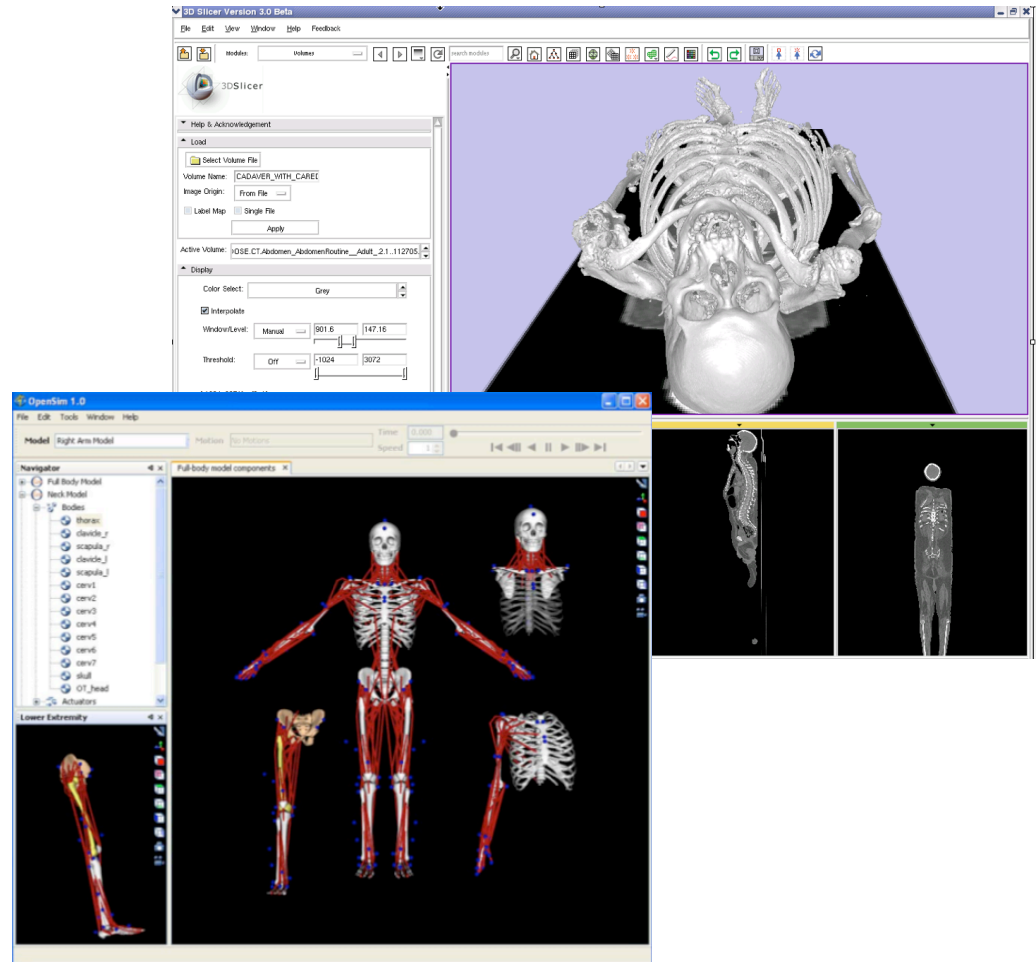
- Gamma Knife Planning and Visualization
- Registered CT and DTI
- Segmentation, Tractography, and Cropped Volume Rendering
- 2nd Place in Kitware Visualization Contest
- Images courtesy by Ervin Berenyi and Andras Jakab, Department of Medical Laboratory and Diagnostic Imaging, University of Debrecen Medical School and Health Science Center.





# SIMBIOS Collaboration

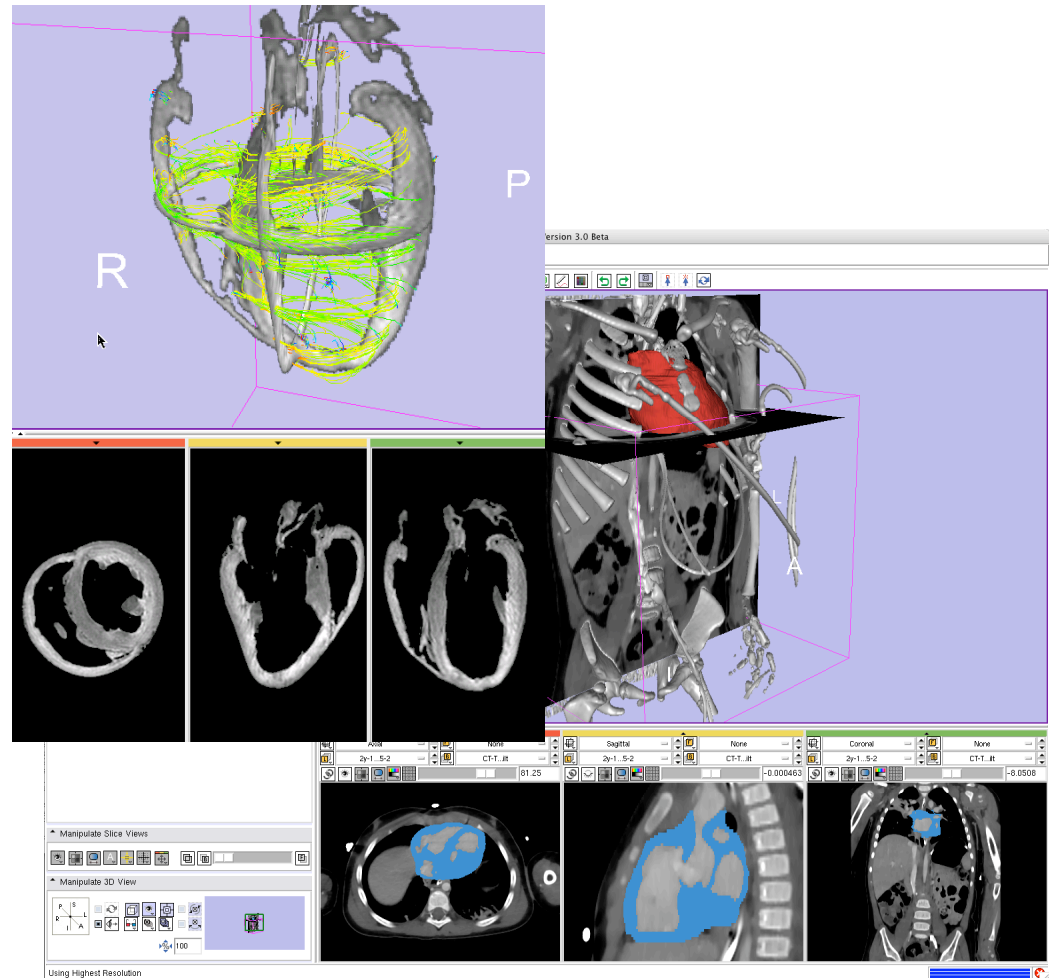
- OpenSIM (Scott Delp et al, Stanford University)
  - Full Body Biomechanical Simulations of Musculoskeletal Dynamics
- WashU Full Body CT Data Collection (1mm isotropic: 512x512x1700)
- Goal: Pipeline for Subject-Specific Model Creation





# Cardiovascular

- JHU CVRG (Winslow, Miller et al)
  - Ex vivo Canine DTI
- Harvard/Childrens (Tiedman), Stanford (Jolley), SCI
  - Subject-Specific Defibrillation Simulation
- Utah DBP (MacLeod)
  - Image Guided EP Ablation





# Orthopedic Clinical Trials

- Measurement of Bone Cement Effectiveness
- Based on ITK-Based Level Tracing Filter Implemented in Slicer3 Editor Module (Miller, Pieper)
- Extended with Constraints and Applied to Clinical Trials by Andrew Li et al (Synarc)
- Li and 2 Colleagues attended NA-MIC Training at Stanford (Co-sponsored with SIMBIOS)







# OpenIGTLink

- December 2007: Concept
- January 2008: Prototype and Name
- July 2008: BrainLab VVLink with Yale (Papademetrios)
- December 2008: Real Time MR Control
- TODO 2009: Initial Clinical Application
  
- Multi-Site Collaboration coordinated by NCIGT (Jolesz, Hata et al)

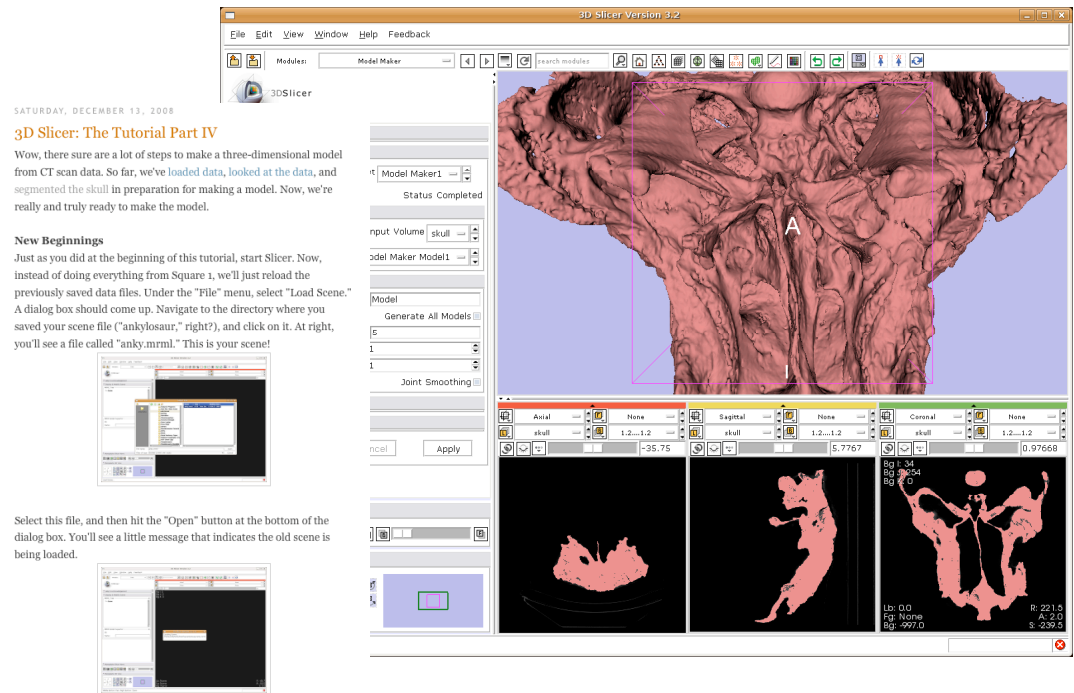




# Paleontology

- Four Part Online Tutorial
- Segmentation, Modeling, and Measurement of CT Scan of Ankylosaur Fossil

Images Courtesy Andrew A. Farke, Ph.D.  
Curator of Paleontology  
Raymond M. Alf Museum of Paleontology  
Claremont, CA



After a few seconds, you'll notice that everything is right back where

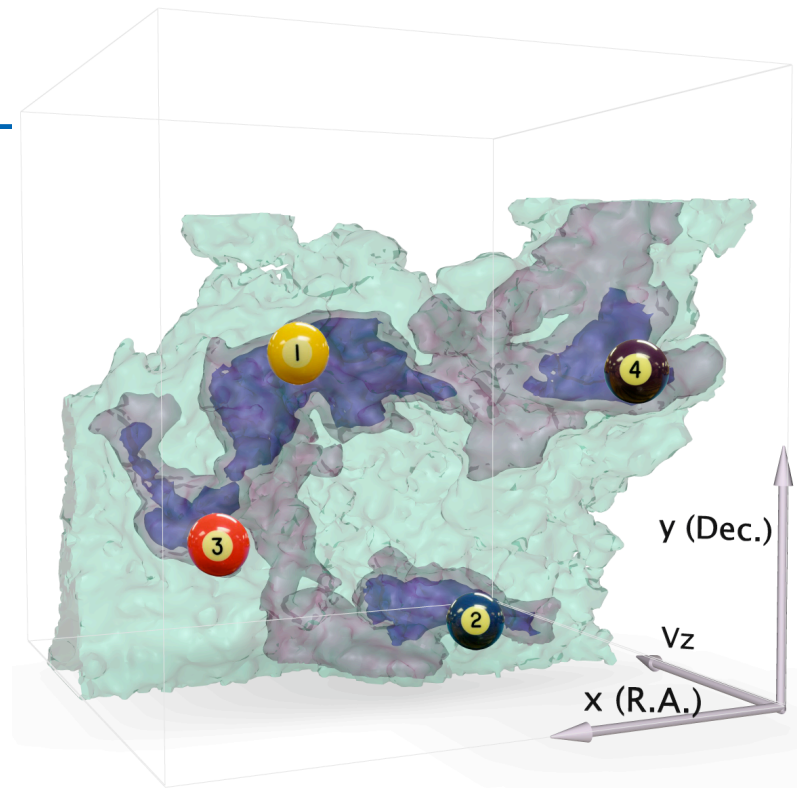
THE OPEN SOURCE  
**Paleontologist** 





# Astronomy

- Multi-Scale Study of Self Gravitational Effects in Star Formation
  - Statistical Clustering and Image Analysis
- *Nature* Publication January, 2009
  - NA-MIC and 3D Slicer Acknowledgements
  - “Live” 3D Models in Acrobat Paper Exported from 3D Slicer
- Harvard IIC Collaboration (Goodman, Halle et al)





# Major Projects for 2009

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- Continuous Improvement
  - Modularity, Usability, Performance, Quality, Functionality...
- User Support
  - We Hope to be Victims of Our Success...