



**Brief Overview** 

# General



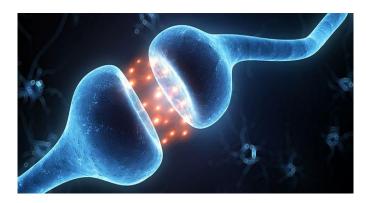


- Focus on
  - engineering
  - economics and management
  - medicine
- Over 14,000 students from 98 countries
- 16 per-cent of students from international backgrounds



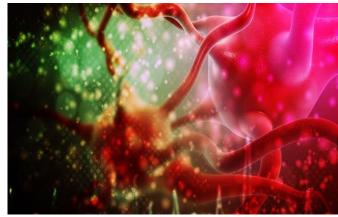
# Research

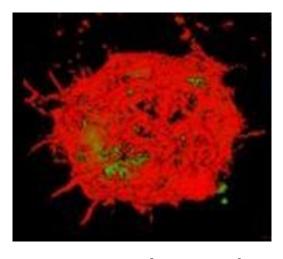
- International and interdisciplinary
- Core research areas:



**Neuroscience** 

# **Dynamic Systems and Biosystems Technology**





Immunology and Inflammation



# Research

Applied research in

#### **Automotive**





**Fluidised Bed Technology** 



**Medical engineering** 





Digital Engineering



**Renewable Energies** 

# Institute for Medical Engineering

- Within the Faculty for Electrical Engineering and Information Technology
- Total 5 Chairs
- Director: Prof. G. Rose, PhD
- Focus of my chair:
  - Interventional Medical Imaging: X-Ray, CT
  - Medical Signals Analysis
  - Brain-Machine-Interfaces
  - Telemedicine
  - Forschungscampus STIMULATE (next slides)





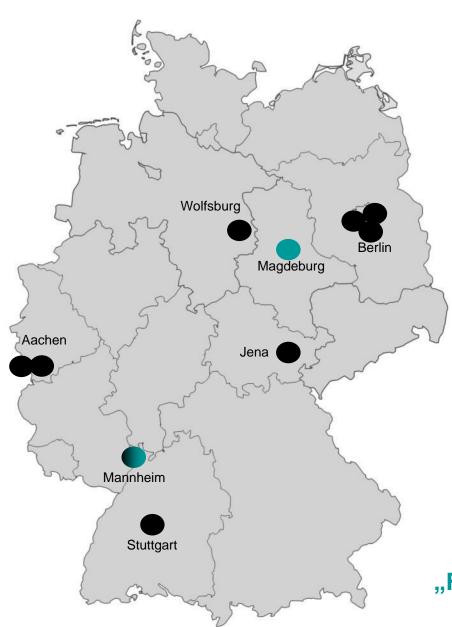
STIMULATE - Solution Centre for Image Guided Local Therapies

# Medical Engineering at the Magdeburg University: Forschungscampus *STIMULATE*

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# The Program "Forschungscampus"





- Public-Private-Partnership Model
- by German Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)
- Funding:
  - 2 Mill. €
  - more than 2 Mill. € by all partners
- Duration: long term (up to 15 years)
- Just 10 Initiatives selected in a competitive process
  - 2 in Medical Engineering
  - one of them in Magdeburg

"Forschungscampus" = research campus

## Otto-von-Guericke-University - USPs

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- Optimal Infrastructure
  - Strong research oriented University Hospital (first 7T MRI scanner in Europe; MRI/PET scanner available)
  - Medical Engineering (ME):
     since 2010 applied research focus at OVGU
- Support by state and local governments
- excellent facilities (→ images, equipment within Institute for ME)
- Teaching in ME
  - Bachelor Program
  - international Master + PhD program (incl. a scholarship program)
  - Training for engineers from companies
- Established cooperation with industry (Siemens Healthcare, Philips Healthcare, local SMEs)







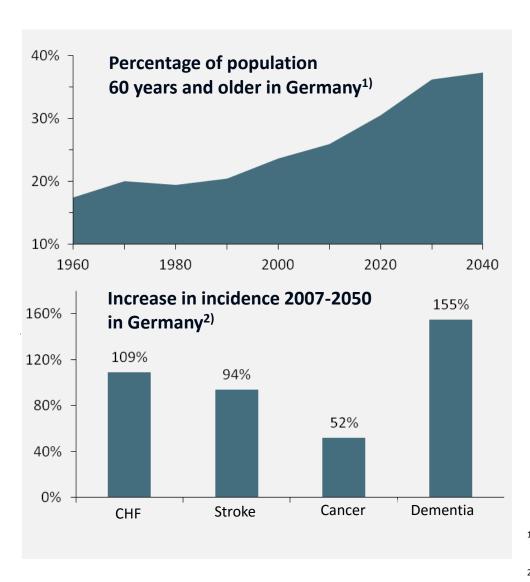
# STIMULATE focuses on a major trend in medicine: Image-guided Minimally Invasive Therapy



- 1. Since times: open surgery
  - Main Tool: scalpel
- 2. for approx. half a century: minimally invasive surgery (MIS)
  - Main Tool: endoscope
- 3. since approx. 20 years: endovascular and percutaneous procedures
  - also called: micro-therapies
  - more general. image guided minimal-invasive therapies
  - Main Tool: needle, catheter
  - Additionally required: Intra-operative imaging (CT, MR, X-Rayx) for guidance
- Main advantage: Traumas are getting smaller and smaller
- Problem: Demand for medical technologies increases
   popportunity for engineers

# This Topic is Highly Relevant





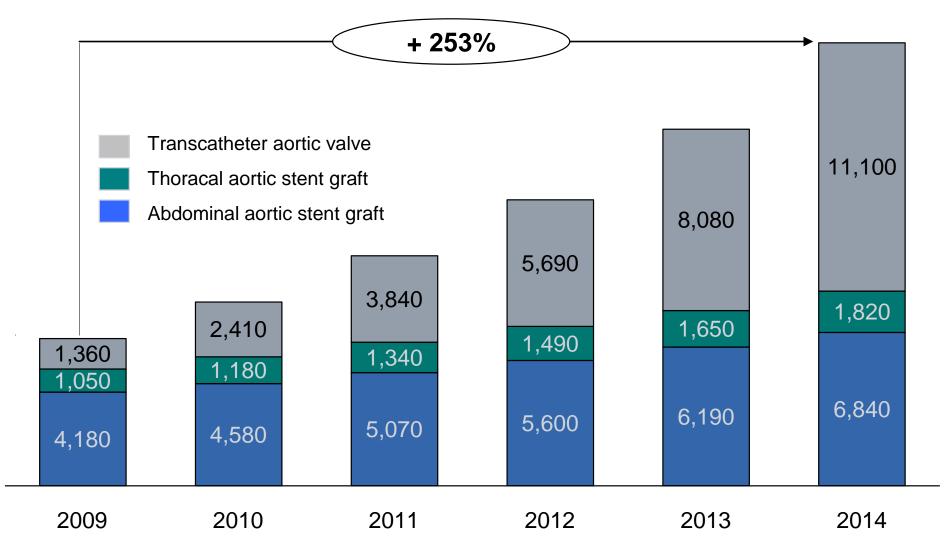
- Average population age will increase significantly within next 30 years
- Incidence of widespread diseases will raise accordingly
- Quality of medical care must be secured
- Image guided minimal-invasive therapies:
  - improve the quality of life
  - for multi-morbid patients often the only treatment option
  - Decrease of overall therapy costs

Source: Statistisches Bundesamt, 12. koordinierte Bevölkerungsvorausberechnung (Stand: Ende 2010)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> Source: Bundesgesundheitsblatt – Gesundheitsforschung – Gesundheitsschutz 5/2010

# High growth rates prove clinical relevance of minimally invasive medicine





Millenium Research Group, 2010, EUROPEAN MARKETS FOR HEART VALVE DEVICES
Millenium Research Group, 2011, EUROPEAN MARKETS FOR PERIPHERAL VASCULAR DEVICES

#### **The Structure and Partners**



**Three Main Partners** 

**University Magdeburg** 

Siemens Healthcare

STIMULATE-association

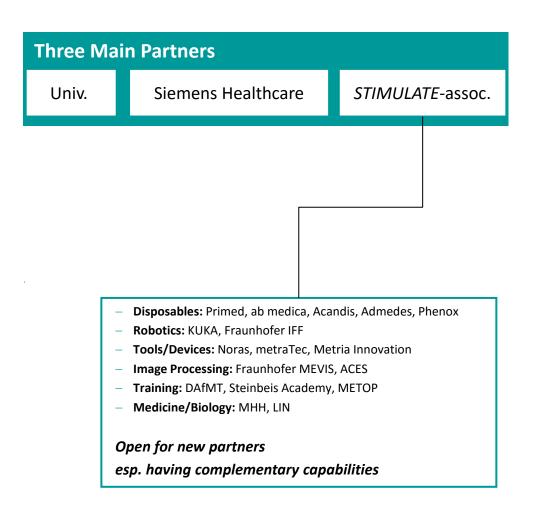
#### Members: local SMEs and research institutes

- Disposables: Primed, ab medica, Acandis, Admedes, Phenox
- Robotics: KUKA, Fraunhofer IFF
- Tools/Devices: Noras, metraTec, Metria Innovation
- Image Processing: Fraunhofer MEVIS, ACES
- Training: DAfMT, Steinbeis Academy, METOP
- Evaluation: IMTR
- Medicine/Biology: MHH, LIN

Open for new partners esp. having complementary capabilities

# **Legal Framework**





- General Agreement (with partners)
- Rules of Procedure (internal)
- Articles of Association
- Contracts on project level
  - IP&R is regulated for each project
  - Allows a trustful co-operation

#### Main Goals of STIMULATE



#### In STIMULATE we

## focus on well defined applications!

Not on some technology, tool or methods

**Next 5 Years:** 

Four such applications i.e.

# STIMULATE focuses on specific diseases



#### STROKE

- Speeding-up clinical workflow:
  - → "One-Stop-Shop"
- Participation in daily life of severely disabled:
  - → "Brain controlled prosthesis → "BMI"

#### CANCER

- Spine Tumors Highest Precision
  - → Robot assisted surgery
- Image guided ablation of liver tumors
  - → MRI guidance

#### STIMULATE - Vision



#### In 10 Years:

#### Establishment of the

## **German Center for Image-Guided Medicine**

as worldwide reference center for image-guided diagnosis and therapy



# **Topics – Technological point of view**



- Intraoperative Imaging; for guidance and therapy monitoring:
  - X-Ray, Angiography,
  - MRI, CT (VCT, CB-CT)
  - Ultrasound
  - PET
- Instruments/Devices
  - Smart functions
  - MRI compatibility
  - Visibility in the imaging

- Robotics
  - Physician assistance
  - Patient access (esp. in MRI)
- Image processing
  - Reconstruction (FBP, iterative, ...)
  - 2D/3D segmentation, Cross modalities
  - Signal processing; Classification
- Navigation/Planning

# **Complementary Goals:**

- Strengthening Med-Tech companies in Saxony-Anhalt
- Support company settlements
- Induction and supporting of spin-offs by means of the following Services/Offers:
  - Research
    - Applying for common research projects (local / German / EU funding)
    - Contract research
    - Animal studies, incl. ethics application (own animal lab)
    - trustful co-operation due well defined IP&R regulations
  - Education
    - Trainings for employees (established, successful curses)
    - Education of students (skilled workers)
  - Business (in cooperation with IMG)
    - Evaluation of medical products (in prep.)
    - Leasing of STIMULATE labs
    - Help setting-up a network with local SMEs
    - Access to the German market and
    - to aging population of Saxony-Anhalt.











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