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WORKSHOP ON CATALYZING THE DEVELOPMENT AND USE OF NOVEL ALTERNATIVE METHODS

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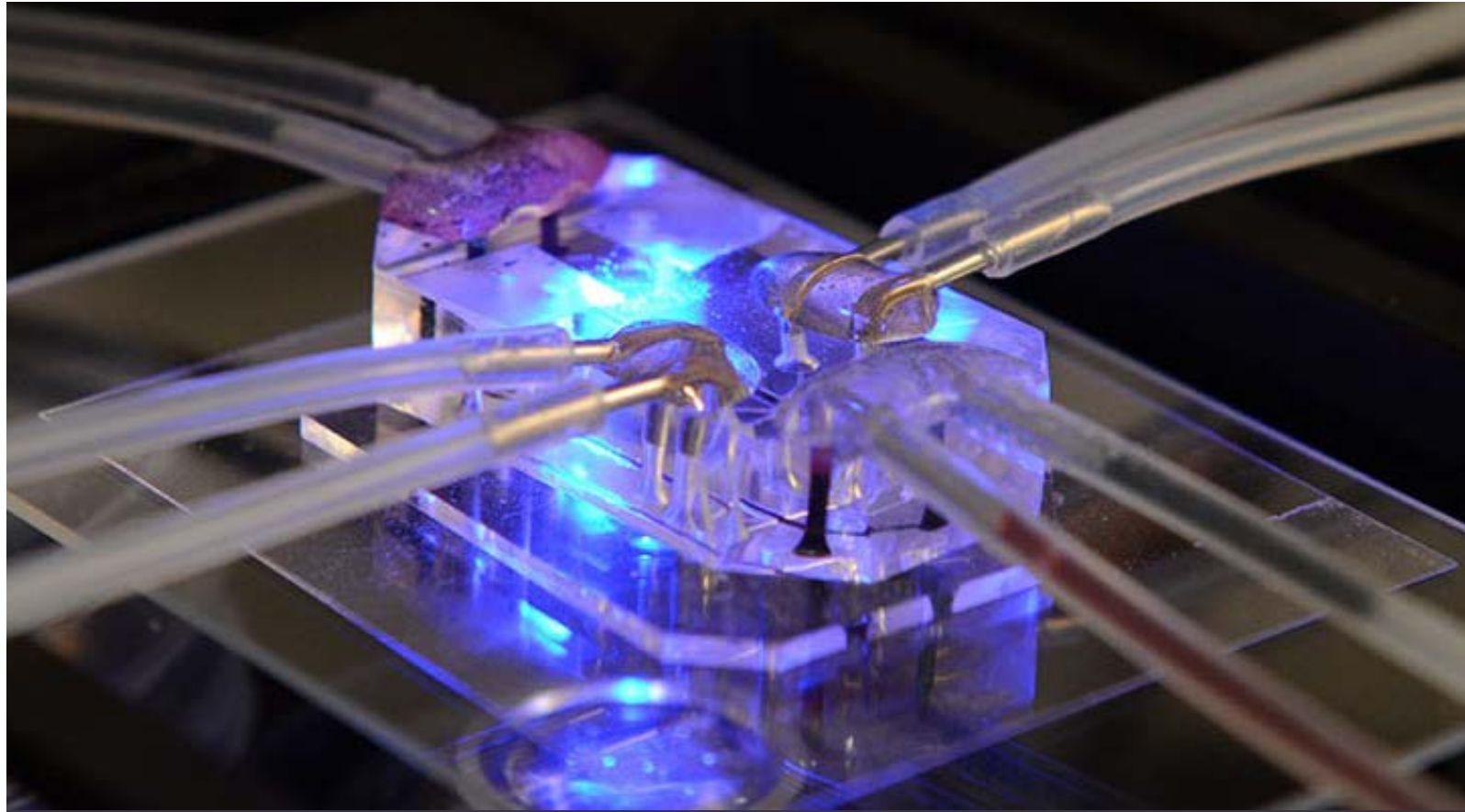
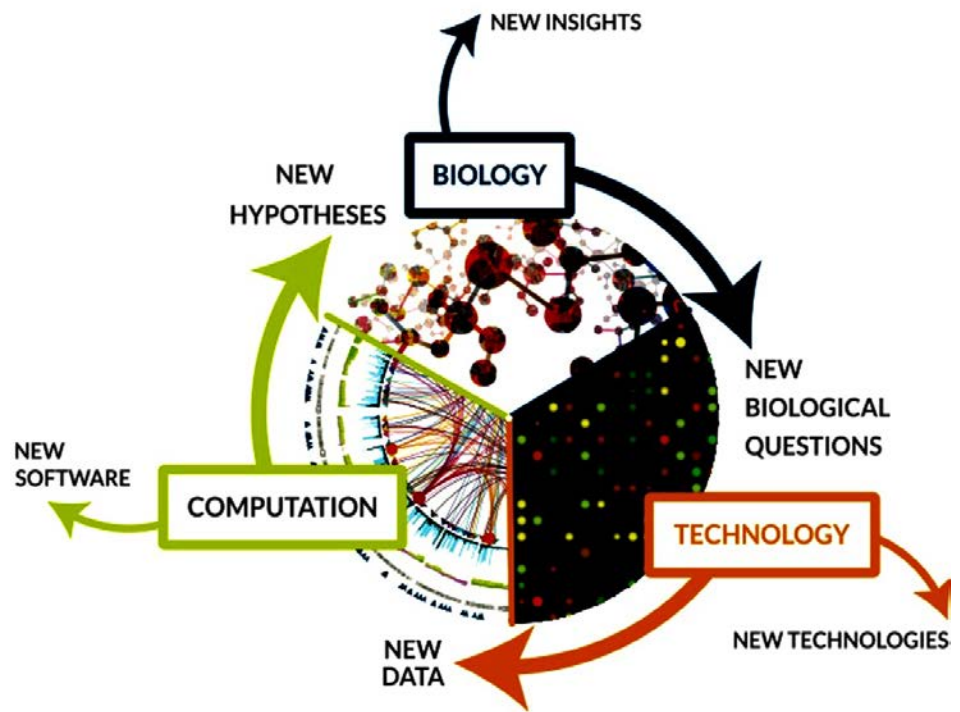
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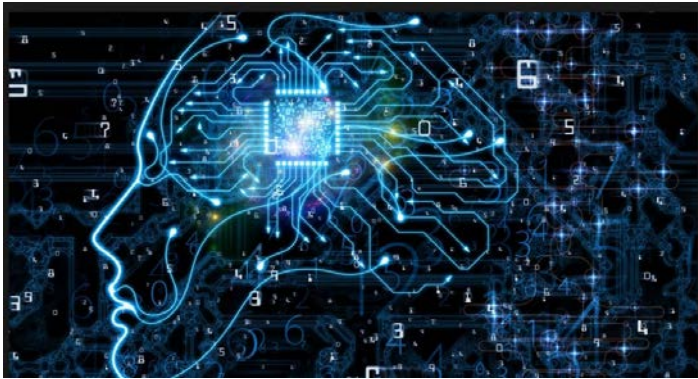
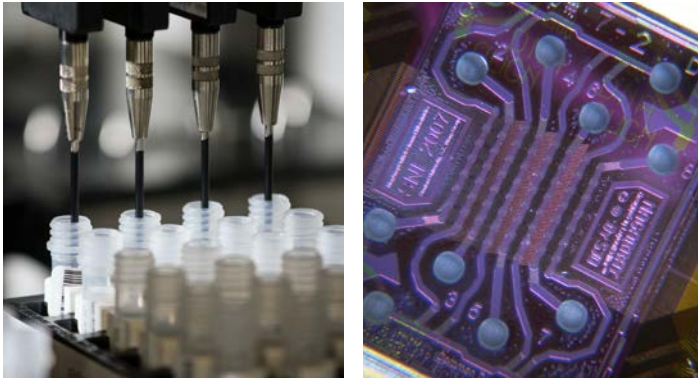
INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES CATALYZE SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERY



(Sonis & Villa, 2020)

SCOPE

TECHNOLOGY DRIVEN, COMPLEMENTARY APPROACHES



in Chemico

- Cell-free methods
- Epigenetics
- Biochemical pathways
- Chemical genetics

in Vitro

- Cultured cell methods
- Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells (iPSC)
- Microphysiological Systems (MPS)

in Silico

- Computational methods
- Artificial intelligence, deep learning, machine learning
- Mathematical modeling and simulations

ROSTER

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CHARGE TO THE WORKING GROUP

1. Identify the types of alternative methods being developed for use in biomedical research and assess their general strengths and weaknesses for studying human biology, circuits, systems, and disease states
2. Characterize the types of research, condition, or disease for which alternative methods are most applicable or beneficial
3. Articulate high-priority areas for NIH investment in the use and development of novel alternative methods with human applicability to:
 - Advance progress into understanding specific biological processes or states
 - Augment the tools and capabilities for biomedical research to complement and/or potentially replace traditional models

WORKING GROUP ACTIVITY

NAMs ACD WG
announced



WG meetings and
identification of
opportunities and challenges



Seek Public Input
through RFI



WG meets to determine
recommendations and
write report



Winter 2022-2023

Spring 2023

Summer 2023

Fall 2023

Winter 2023

NAMs ACD WG
charged



Update to the
ACD



Public Workshop



Present recommendations
to ACD



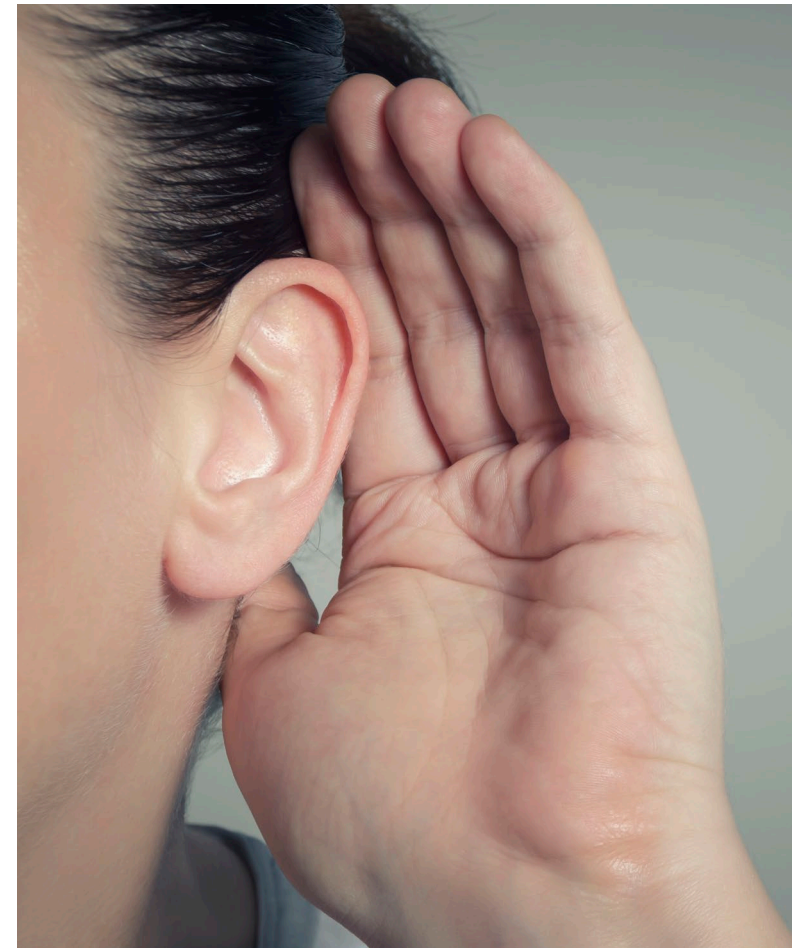
WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Request for Public Input NIH seeking input from interested individuals and communities to inform working group discussions and recommendations

- NIH specifically interested in information on challenges and opportunities for the development and use of NAMs in biomedical research



RFI deadline extended to Sept 5!

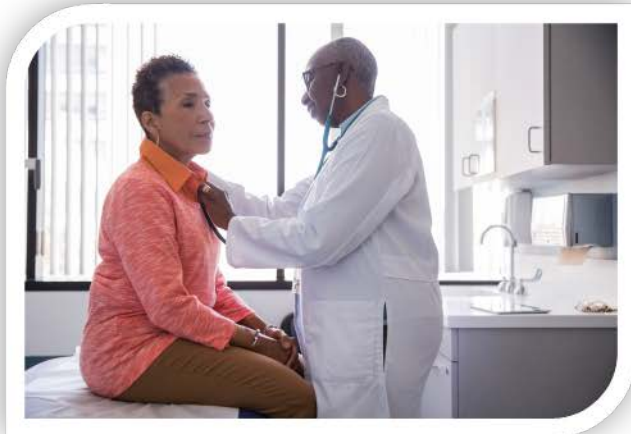


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TODAY'S AGENDA!

9:00 AM	Welcome
9:15 AM	SESSION 1: The Opportunities and Challenges for NAMs in Biomedical Research
10:30 AM	Break
10:45 AM	SESSION 2: Cross Sector Approaches for Driving NAMs Use and Development
NOON	Break
1:00 PM	SESSION 3: Developing Integrated and Multi-System Models
2:00 PM	Break
2:15 PM	SESSION 4: Leveraging Diverse Datasets for Maximally Useful NAMs
3:15 PM	Break
3:30 PM	SESSION 5: Equitably Deploying Robust and Reliable NAMs into Practice
4:45 PM	Discussion and Next Steps
5:00 PM	Adjourn



**THE
VISION**

The Opportunities and Challenges for NAMs in Biomedical Research

Moderator: Nancy Lane, MD, *University of California, Davis*

Speakers:

- Nathan Price, PhD, *Thorne HealthTech*
- Thomas Hartung, MD, *John Hopkins University*
- Nicole Kleinstreuer, PhD, *U.S. National Institutes of Health*
- Chirag Patel, PhD, *Harvard Medical School*