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# ACCURACY OF PARTIAL REMOVABLE DENTURE PRODUCED BY ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGIES

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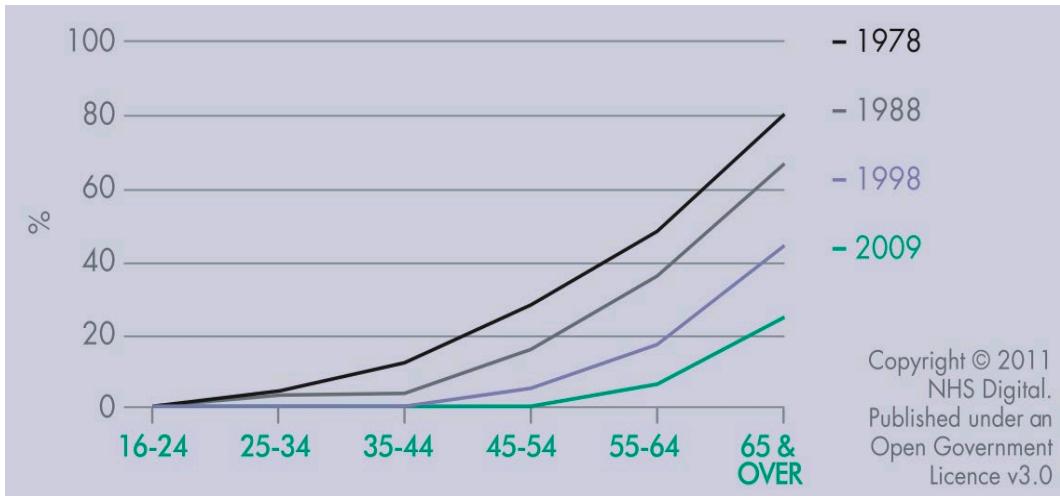


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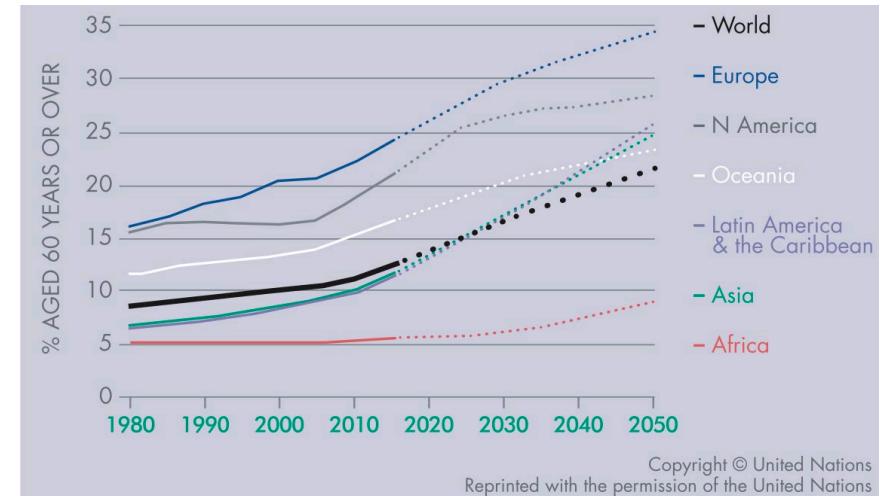


# WHY REMOVABLE PARTIAL DENTURES



**Trends in percentage edentate**

Epidemiological studies have demonstrated significant changes in the oral health of older adults in recent years. As the numbers of edentulous older adults has declined, there has been a significant increase in the number of partially dentate elderly.



**Percentage of the global population aged 60 years and older**

McKenna, G., Tsakos, G., Burke, F., & Brocklehurst, P. (2020). Managing an ageing population: challenging oral epidemiology. Primary Dental Journal, 9(3), 14-17.



# THE AIM OF THE WORK

- **Digital technology:** Valuable alternative to traditional workflows

Xie, W., Zheng, M., Wang, J., & Li, X. (2020)

Torii, M., Nakata, T., Takahashi, K., Kawamura, N., Shimpo, H., & Ohkubo, C. (2018)

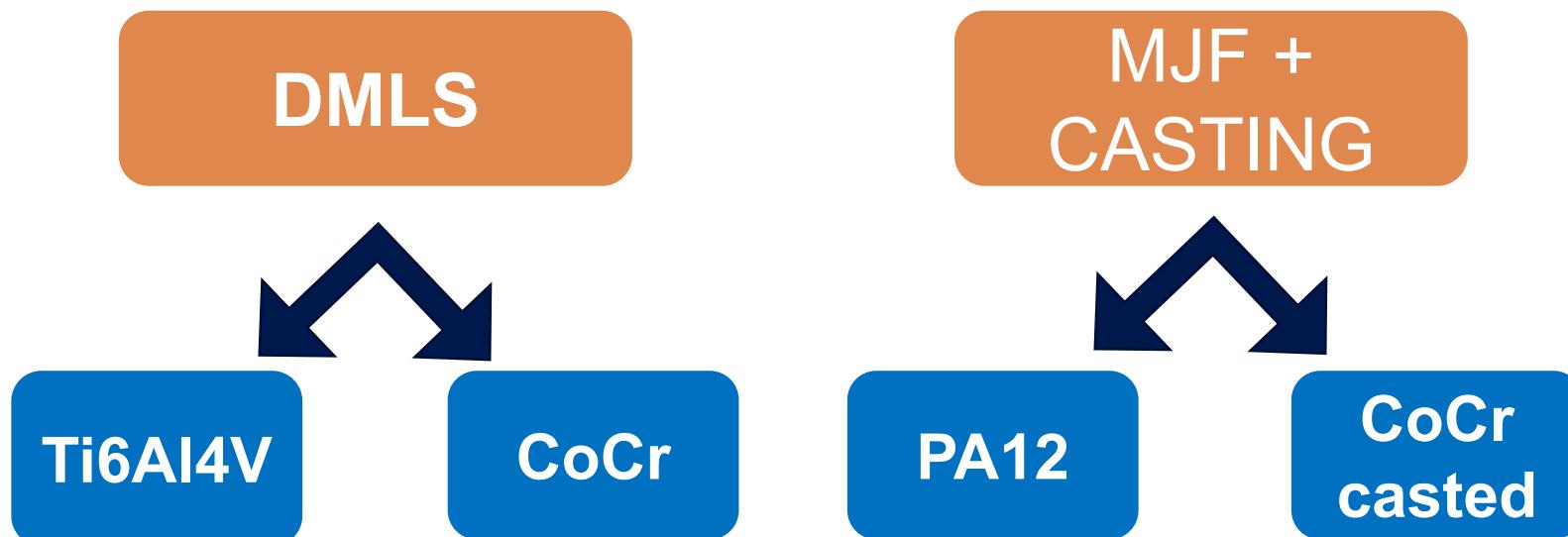
Syrek, A., Reich, G., Ranftl, D., Klein, C., Cerny, B., & Brodesser, J. (2010)

- **Digital technology accuracy:** positive evidences, still to assess the most accurate production workflow

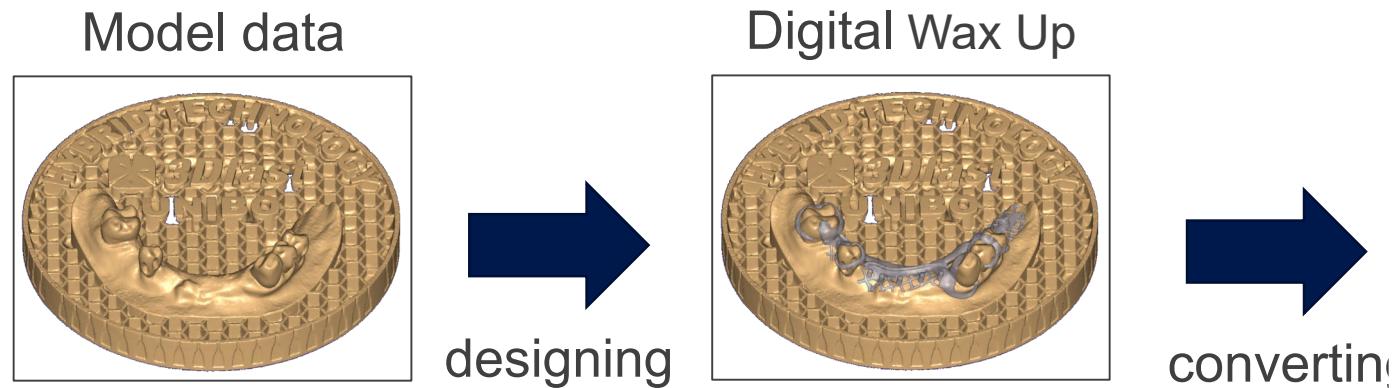
Ye H, Ning J, Li M, Niu L, Yang J, Sun Y, et al. (2017)

Williams RJ, Bibb R, Eggbeer D, Collis J. (2006)

Williams RJ, Bibb R, Rafik T. (2004)



# DESIGN WORKFLOWS

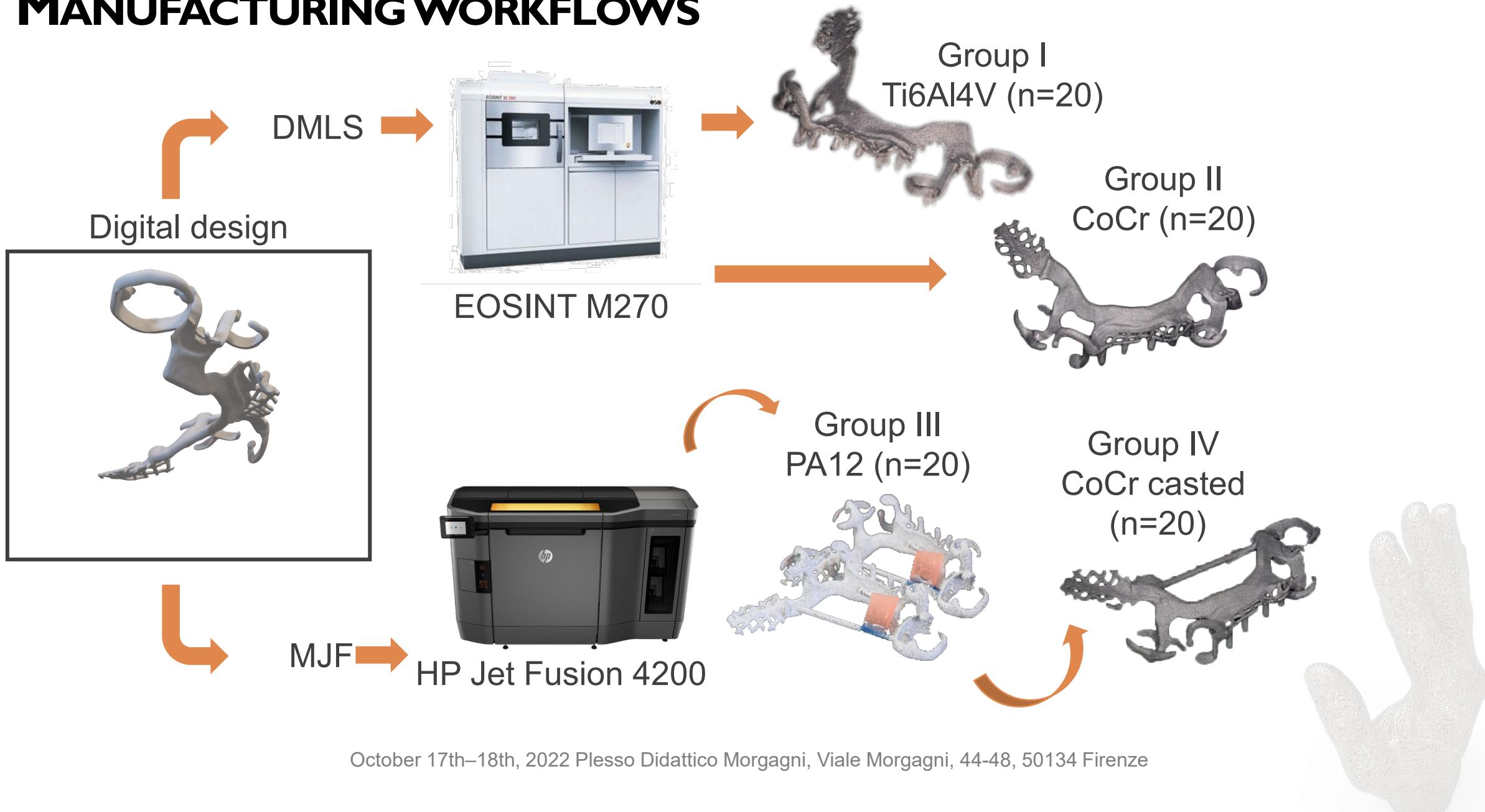


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# MANUFACTURING WORKFLOWS



# MEASUREMENT CHALLENGES

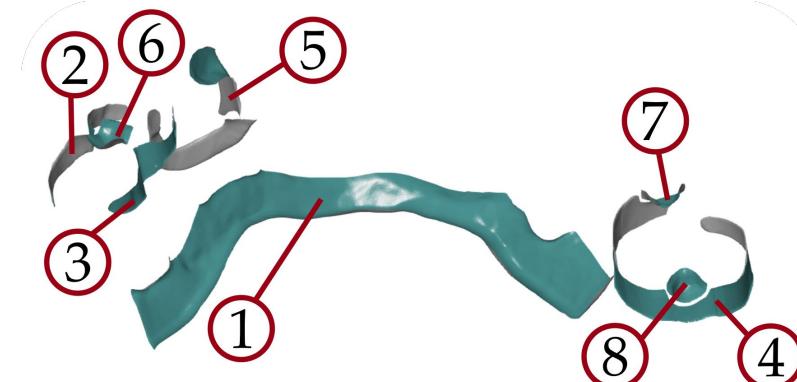
- Functional areas definitions (partition);
- Non-visible surfaces;
- Functional alignment;
- Sampling density.



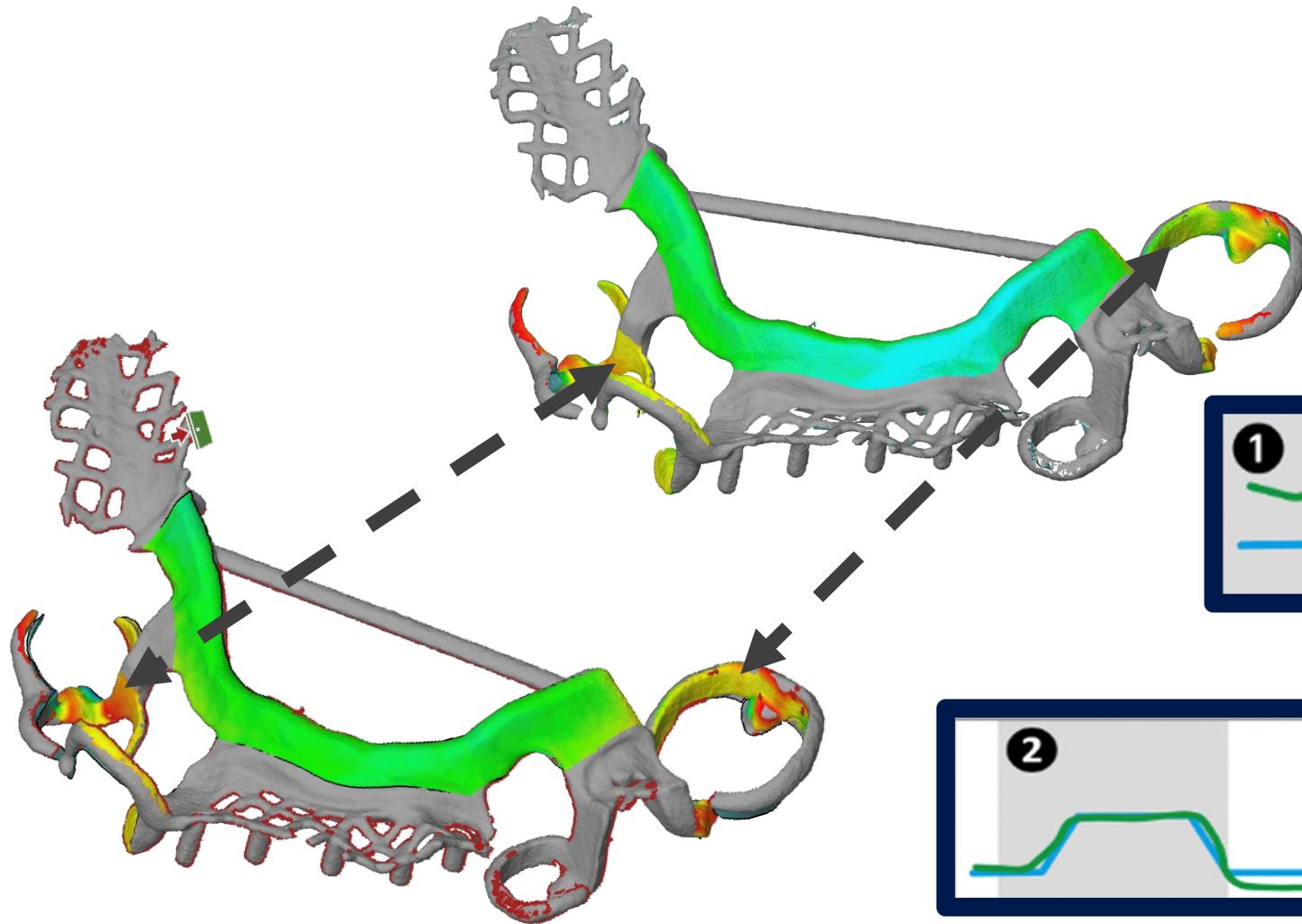
# REFERENCE MODEL



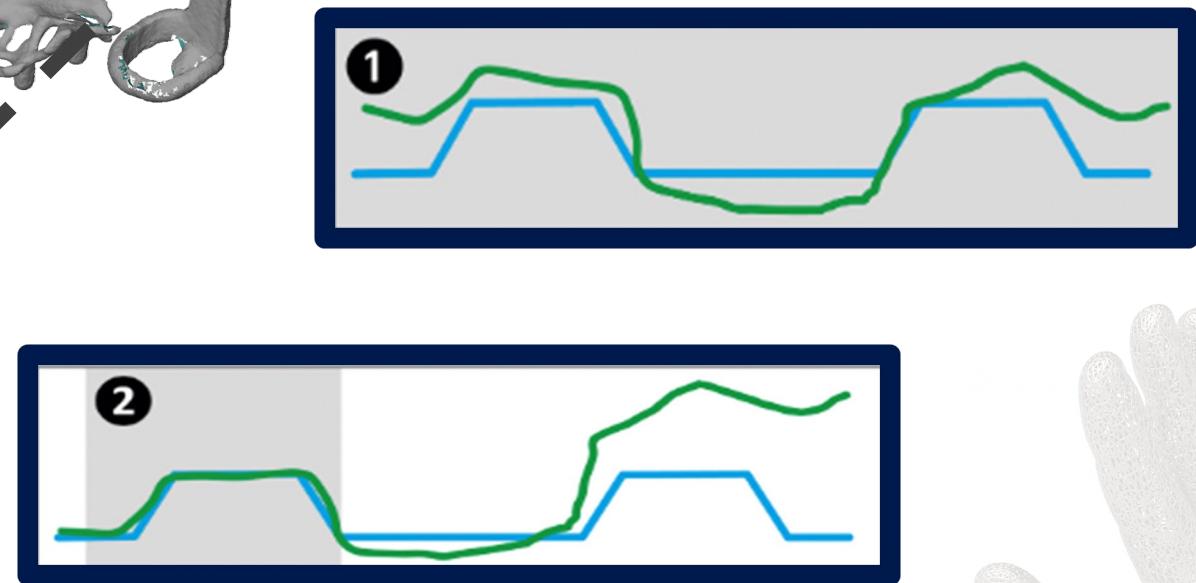
1. Lingual bar
2. Bonwill (external)
3. Bonwill (internal)
4. Circumferential clasp
5. I-bar
6. Bonwill rest
7. Anterior circumferential rest
8. Posterior circumferential rest



# FUNCTIONAL ALIGNMENT

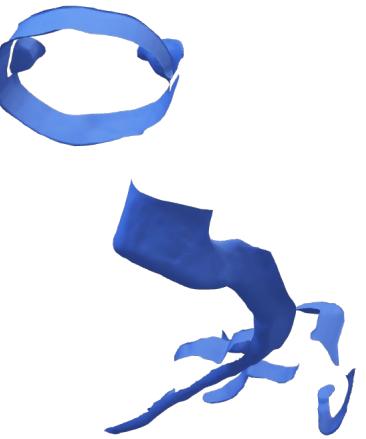


Functional Alignment:  
Local Best fit over the lingual  
bar



# ACCURACY EVALUATION

Reference model

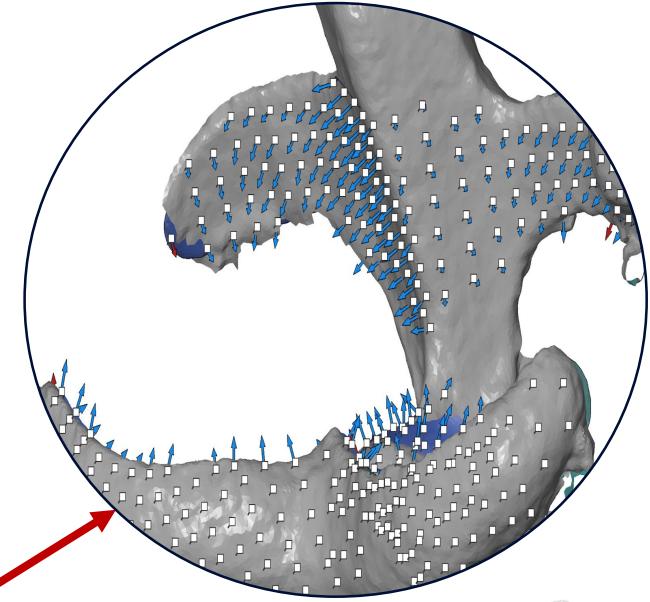
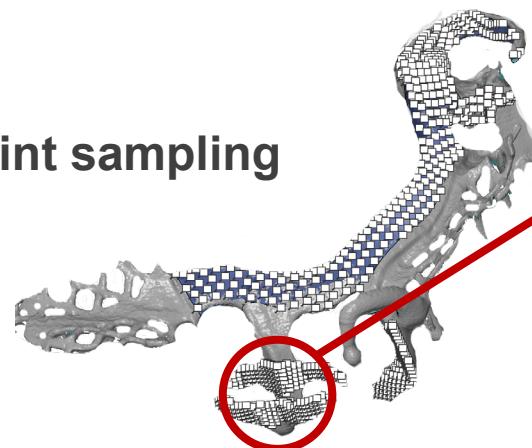


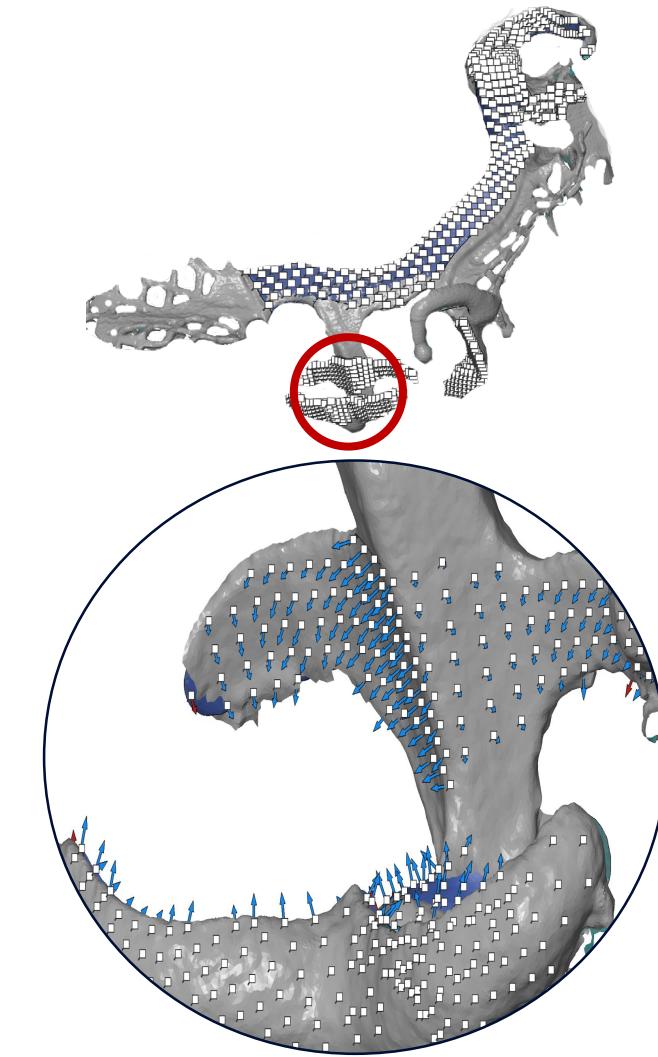
Actual data



GOM Inspect  
Suite

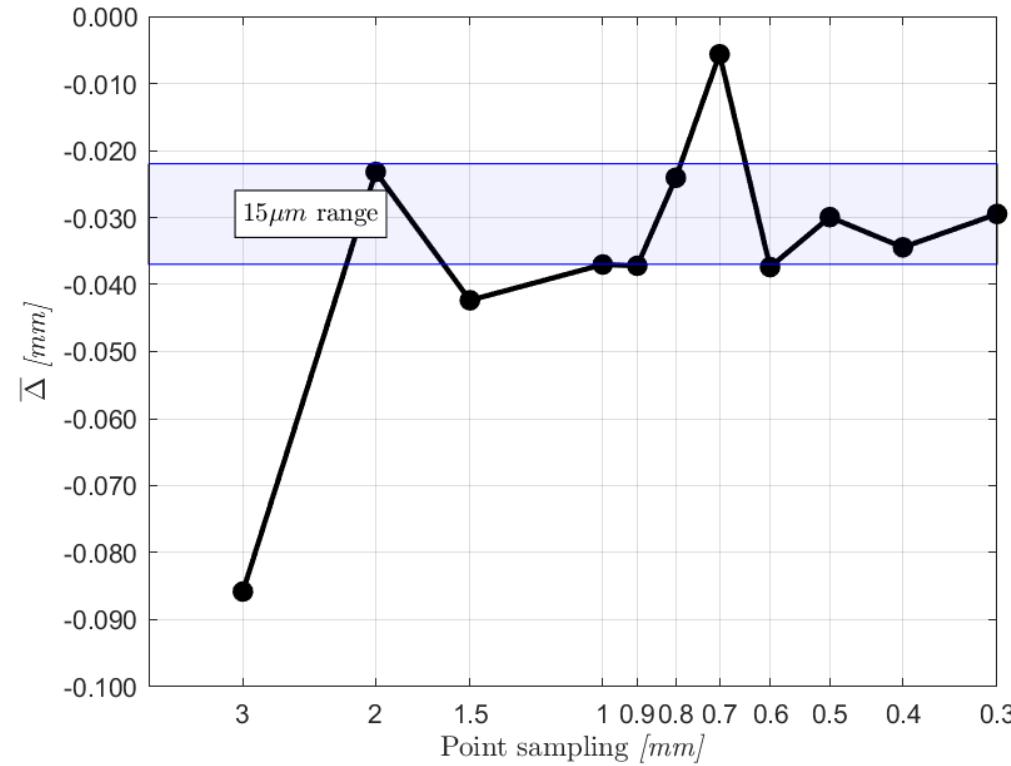
Point sampling





# POINT SAMPLING

Sensitivity analysis to determine the optimal point sampling



Final sampling: 0.4 mm  
Lingual bar sampling: 0.9 mm



# STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

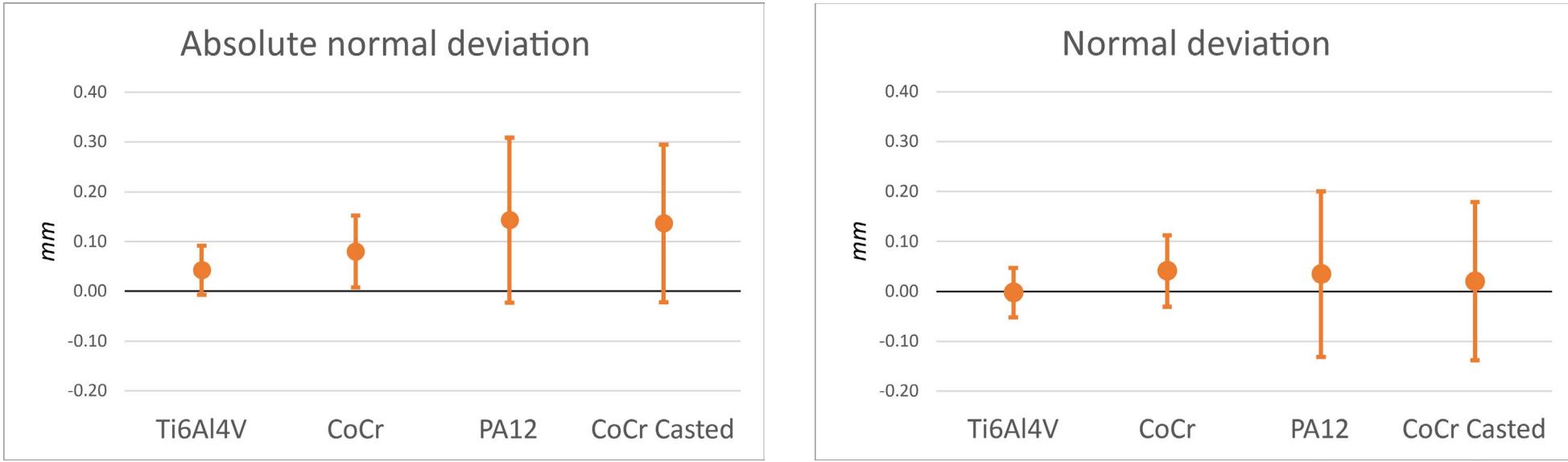
**First level** ⇒ Overall comparison among different production techniques

**Second Level** ⇒ Comparison among different production techniques per each area

**Third level** ⇒ Comparison among areas per each group



# STATISTICAL ANALYSIS – FIRST LEVEL

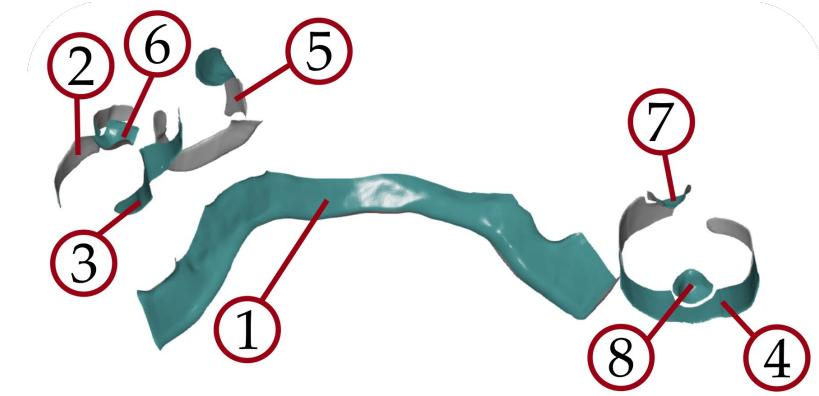
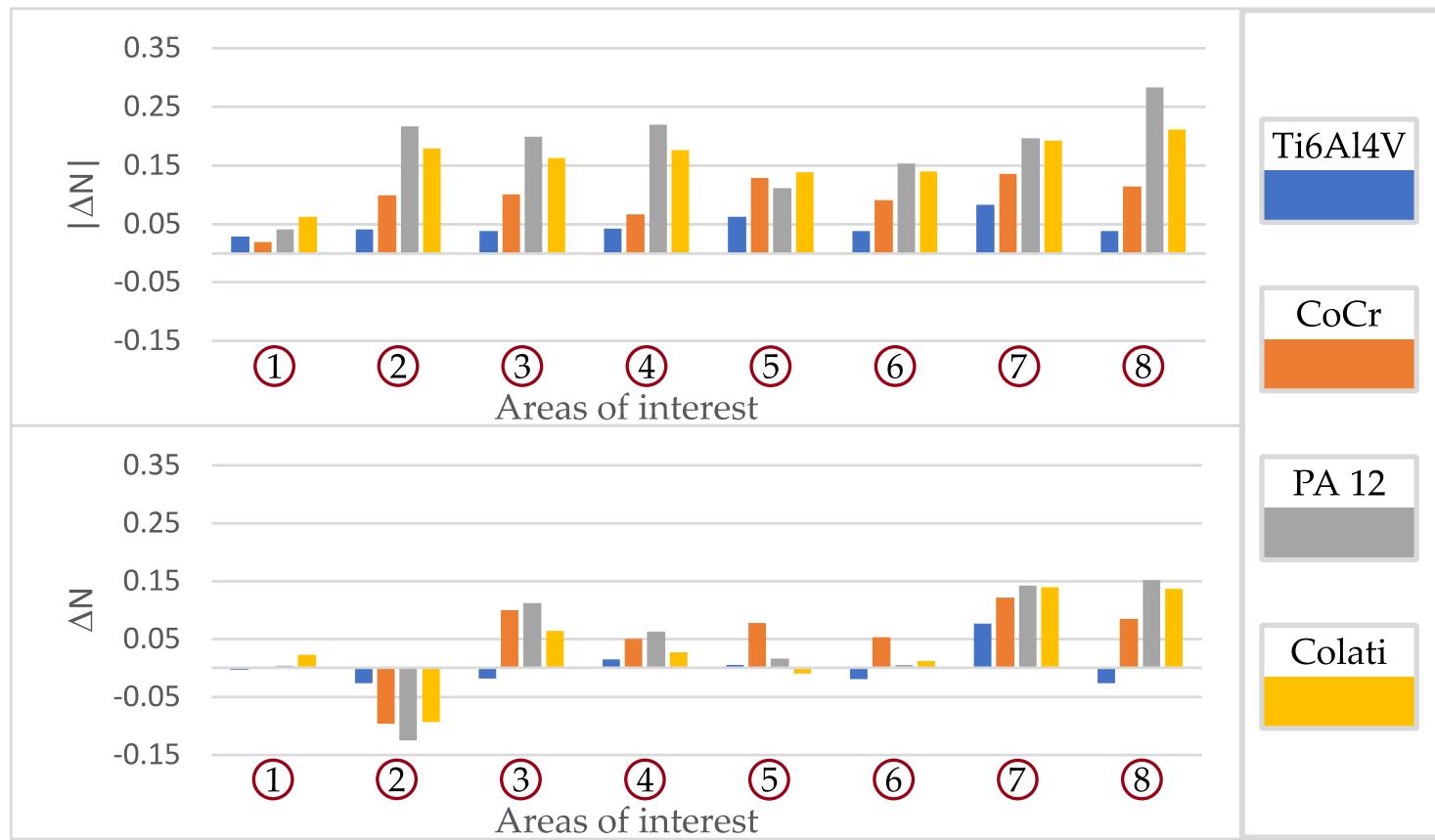


Non-parametric test:

- Kruskal-Wallis → P-value < 0.05
- Dwass, Steel, Critchlow-Fligner



# STATISTICAL ANALYSIS – SECOND LEVEL

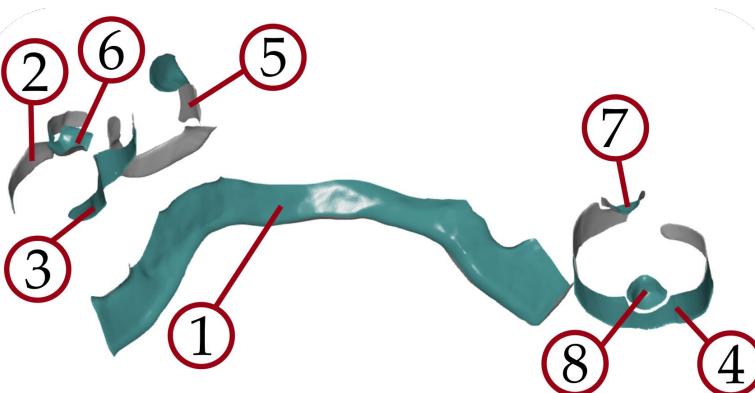


Non-parametric test:

- Friedman → p-value < 0.05

- Wilcoxon, Nemenyi, McDonald-Thompson

# STATISTICAL ANALYSIS – THIRD LEVEL



Non-parametric test:

- Kruskal-Wallis → P-value < 0.05
- Dwass, Steel, Critchlow-Fligner

**ADDITIONAL 4 BIOMEDICAL**

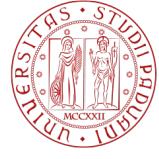
Zona	Ti6Al4V (abs.)	CoCr (abs.)	PA12 (abs.)	CoCr casted (abs.)	Ti6Al4V	CoCr	PA12	CoCr casted
1	0.0279	0.0188	0.0406	0.0628	-0.0029	0.0005	0.0036	0.0226
2	0.0409	0.0987	0.2163	0.1795	-0.0272	-0.0963	-0.1252	-0.0942
3	0.0378	0.1003	0.1990	0.1633	-0.0179	0.1001	0.1113	0.0637
4	0.0418	0.0664	0.2203	0.1759	0.0143	0.0496	0.0625	0.0267
5	0.0622	0.1295	0.1107	0.1380	0.0050	0.0782	0.0155	-0.0096
6	0.0380	0.0902	0.1532	0.1392	-0.0194	0.0523	0.0050	0.0120
7	0.0823	0.1354	0.1970	0.1920	0.0764	0.1210	0.1420	0.1389
8	0.0375	0.1136	0.2835	0.2111	-0.0260	0.0849	0.1517	0.1368



# CONCLUSIONS

- The “local **best-fit**” alignment is a valuable approach to evaluate the accuracy of removable partial denture frameworks;
- The titanium (**Ti6Al4V**) **frameworks** showed the best accuracy results;
- The average deviation for all the tested production protocols are within clinical tolerance therefore the full-digital protocol is confirmed to be reliable.



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