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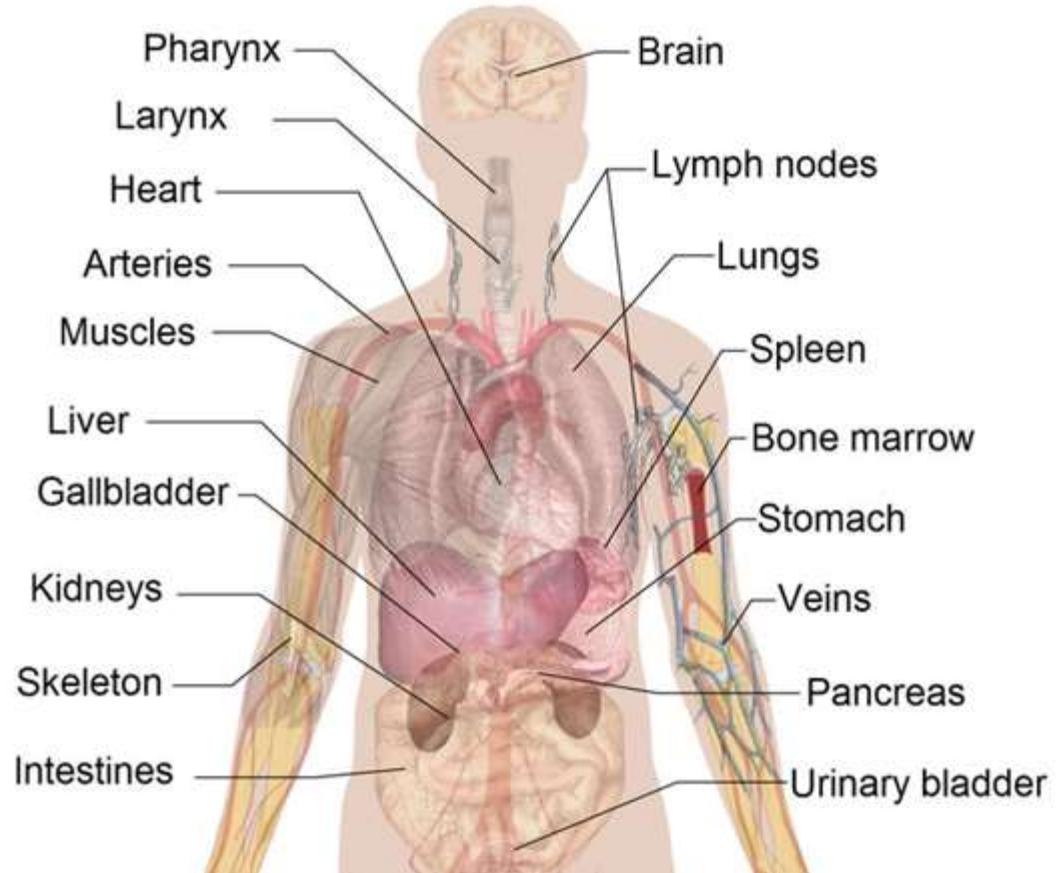
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What is the virtual human?

Human anatomy



- Medical treatments can be invasive need case-by-case evaluation
- Assist clinicians' decision making by constructing a digital replica of a patient
 - Investigate multiple treatment options for optimal approach
 - Treat patients with greater confidence
 - Provide non-traditional information
 - Patients can have a clearer understanding of a treatment and its impacts
- See also CompBioMed's Virtual Humans film – compbiomed.eu/

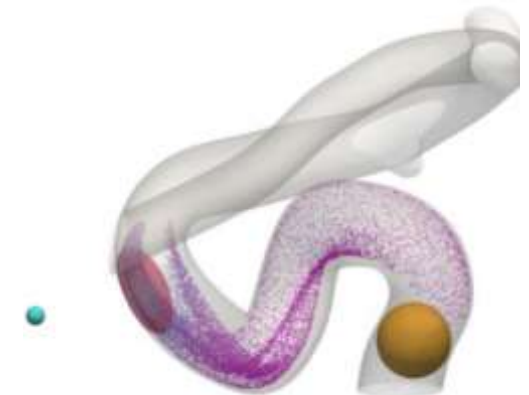
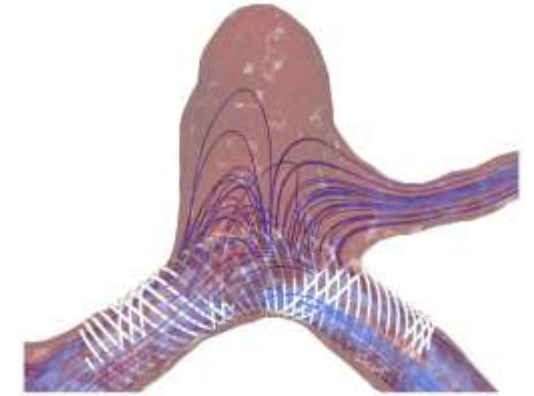
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High-end computational performance and the virtual human

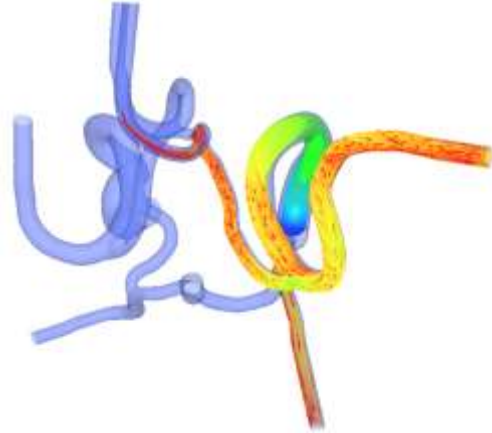
HemeLB and the Virtual Human



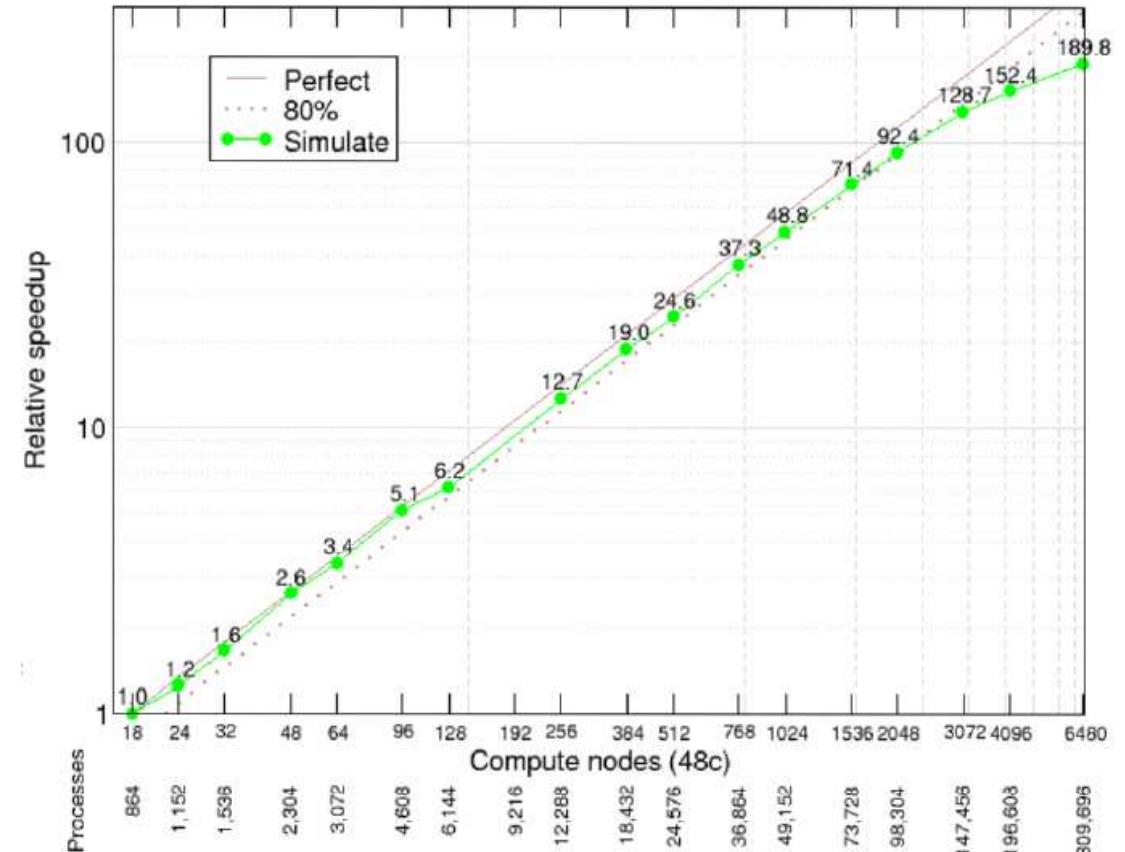
- 3D lattice Boltzmann code in C++ with MPI parallelism
- Optimised for sparse geometries seen in vascular networks
- Previous studies include stent flow, magnetic particle transport and wall shear stress analysis
- GPU version currently in development
- See hemelb.org and github.com/hemelb-codes
- Development of human-scale flow models of coupled arterial and venous flow



HemeLB performance on SuperMUC-NG

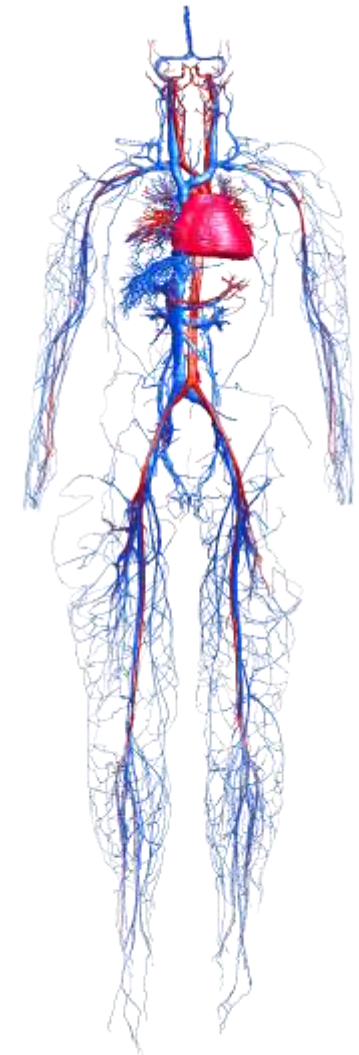


- SuperMUC-NG (LRZ) - 6,480 Lenovo ThinkSystem nodes with Intel Xeon processors (Skylake)
- Circle of Willis geometry - over 10^{10} sites
- Single instance scaling observed up to 310,000 cores
- Self-coupled scaling observed up to 96,000 cores
- Extra communication limits performance, however coupling is unoptimized
- Initial performance analysis has resulted in largest known real-world deployment of the Application Performance Snapshot feature of Intel VTune Profiler



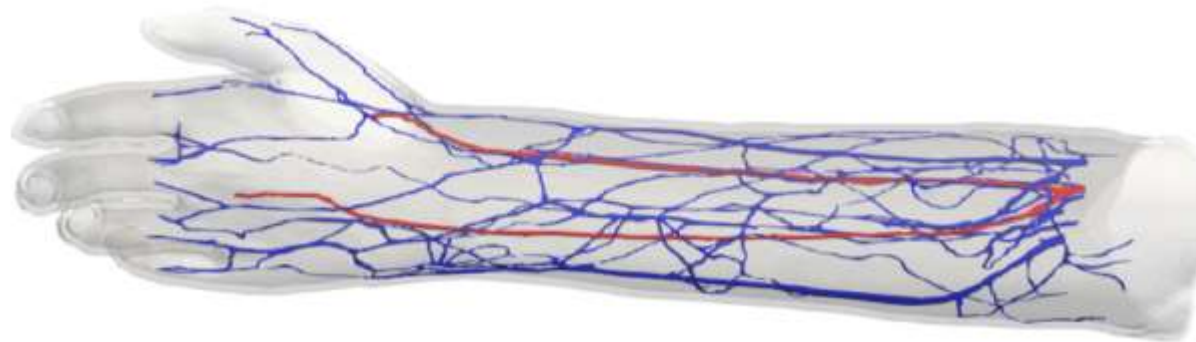
Geometries for simulation at the exascale

- Simulation of the full human vasculature with sufficiently high resolution will also demand geometries significantly larger than that seen currently
 - 50 billion lattice sites is a rough estimate
 - Will also allow performance to extend to future, larger HPC resources
 - Efforts between UCL and LRZ have examined streamlining geometry generation and optimizing HemeLB performance on SuperMUC-NG
- Post-processing and visualization of this quantity of data is a significant challenge
- Visual results need to be clear and impactful to be effective in a clinical setting



Context - Simulating arteriovenous fistula with HemeLB

- Surgeons can create an access point for hemodialysis by artificially connecting a major artery and vein – an arteriovenous fistula – bypassing vascular beds and increasing flow through the vein
- Provided high resolution flow simulation data to LRZ for visualization of coupled domains
 - Arteries – 65M data points, Veins – 166.6M data points
 - Total data output: ~7.4GB per output step





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High Speed Networking
Munich Scientific Network

High Performance Computing
SuperMUC-NG, LRZ Linux Cluster

Big Data
Digital archives of the Bayerischen Staatsbibliothek

Virtual Reality and Visualisation
V2C (CAVE, Powerwall)



- Dedicated **application groups** for our researcher user base (Astro, Bio, ...)
- Project mentoring and **code optimisation**
- General-purpose visualization **software**
- **Exploratory SciVis** on dedicated servers, and now on the supercomputer as well
- **V2C**: Visualisation and Virtual Reality Centre

SuperMUC-NG (Next Generation)



Peak Performance: 26.7 Pflop/s

- 6,480 Lenovo ThinkSystem nodes with Intel Xeon processors (Skylake)
- 311,040 compute cores
- Intel Omni-Path interconnects
- Direct hot water cooled + Adsorption coolers (47°C)

HPC and more

- Usage of own and individual virtual machines (integrated cloud)
- Pre- and post-processing with user's individual software
- Integrated development, ability to use familiar software and tools
- Remote visualization

...Phase 2 coming soon

Visualizing the world's largest turbulence simulation

Watch the full video on YouTube
Leibniz-Rechenzentrum channel!



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Visualizing the World's Largest Turbulence Simulation

Project details:

- **OSPRay + VisIt**
 - Scalable on non-accelerated HPC systems
 - Interactive GUI or batch, cross-code
- Nomination for **SC19 Scientific Visualization & Data Analytics Showcase**
- Title page of **InSiDE - Autumn 2019**
- Further development: **inSiDE - 2021**

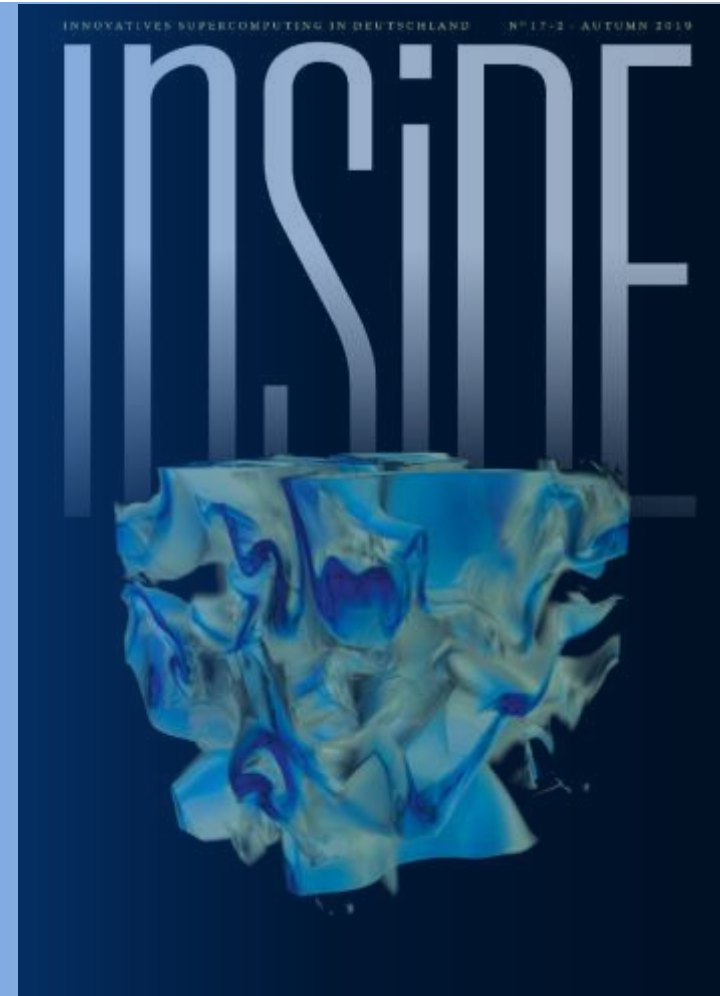


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Visualisation:

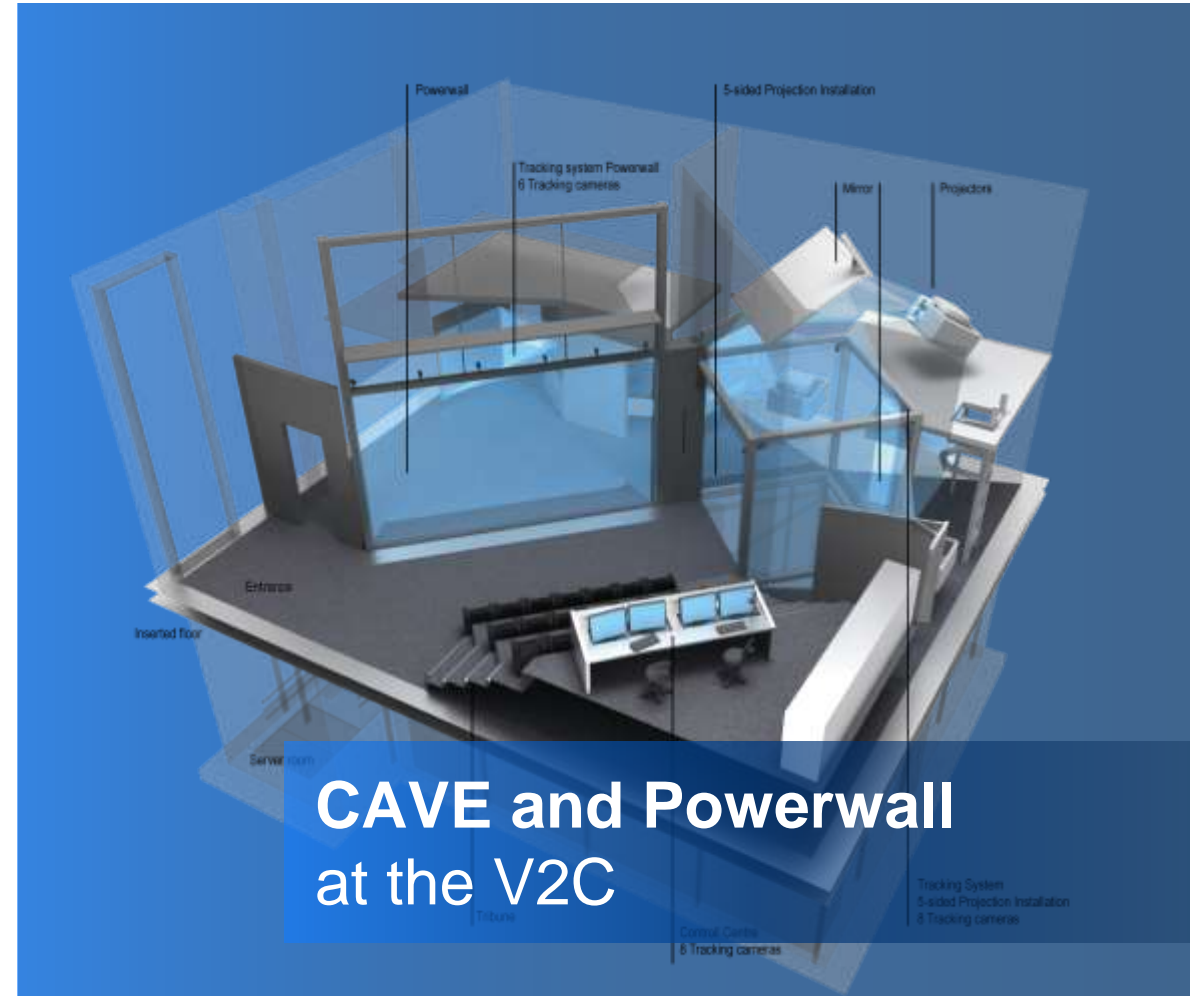
- Enhanced display of complex data sets
- Enhanced display of contained information

Virtual Reality (VR):

- Puts the user in the centre of the application
- Interactivity
- Three-dimensional display



- Provides **state-of-the-art hardware and software solutions** for research
- Visualisation experts and researchers
- Equipped with modern VR installations: **CAVE, LED Powerwall, etc**
- Standard VR hardware, e.g. Head-Mounted Displays
- Supports research of LRZ users



Virtual Reality and Visualisation Centre (V2C)

- Experience with complex and big datasets, e.g. Virtual Humans project, Astrophysics and Geophysics...
- Photorealistic rendering workflows
- Goal to create **360° 3D experiences**
- Using **WebVR** to display data immersively
- Viewable through a **browser**

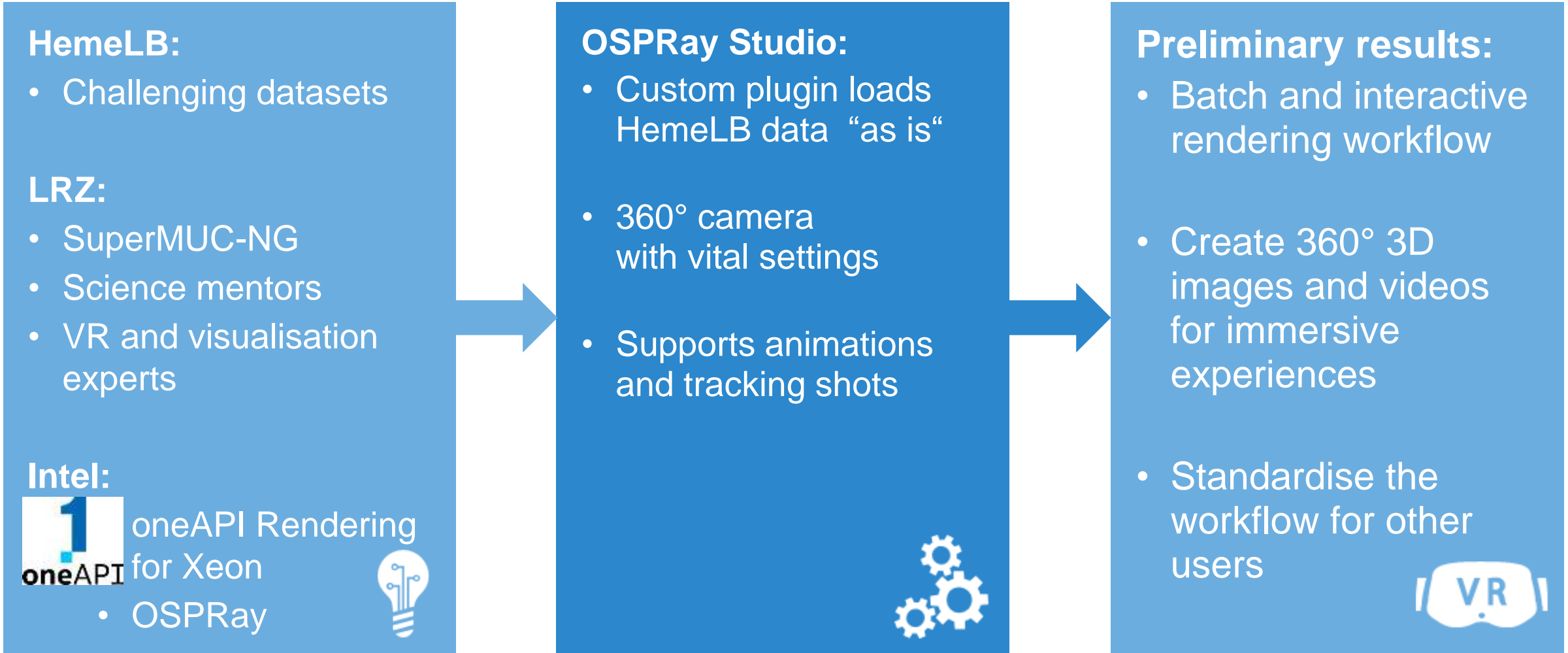


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Visualization with OSPRay

Overall structure of the project



OSPRay Studio on SuperMUC-NG

- **Dev branch** of oneAPI rendering toolkit
- HemeLB **I/O plugin** maps volume data directly in memory with Intel **OpenVKL**
- All OSPRay Studio synergies:
 - GLTF and animations
 - Intel **OpenImageDenoise**
 - Will support Intel GPUs
 - Various renderers
- Available from default software stack

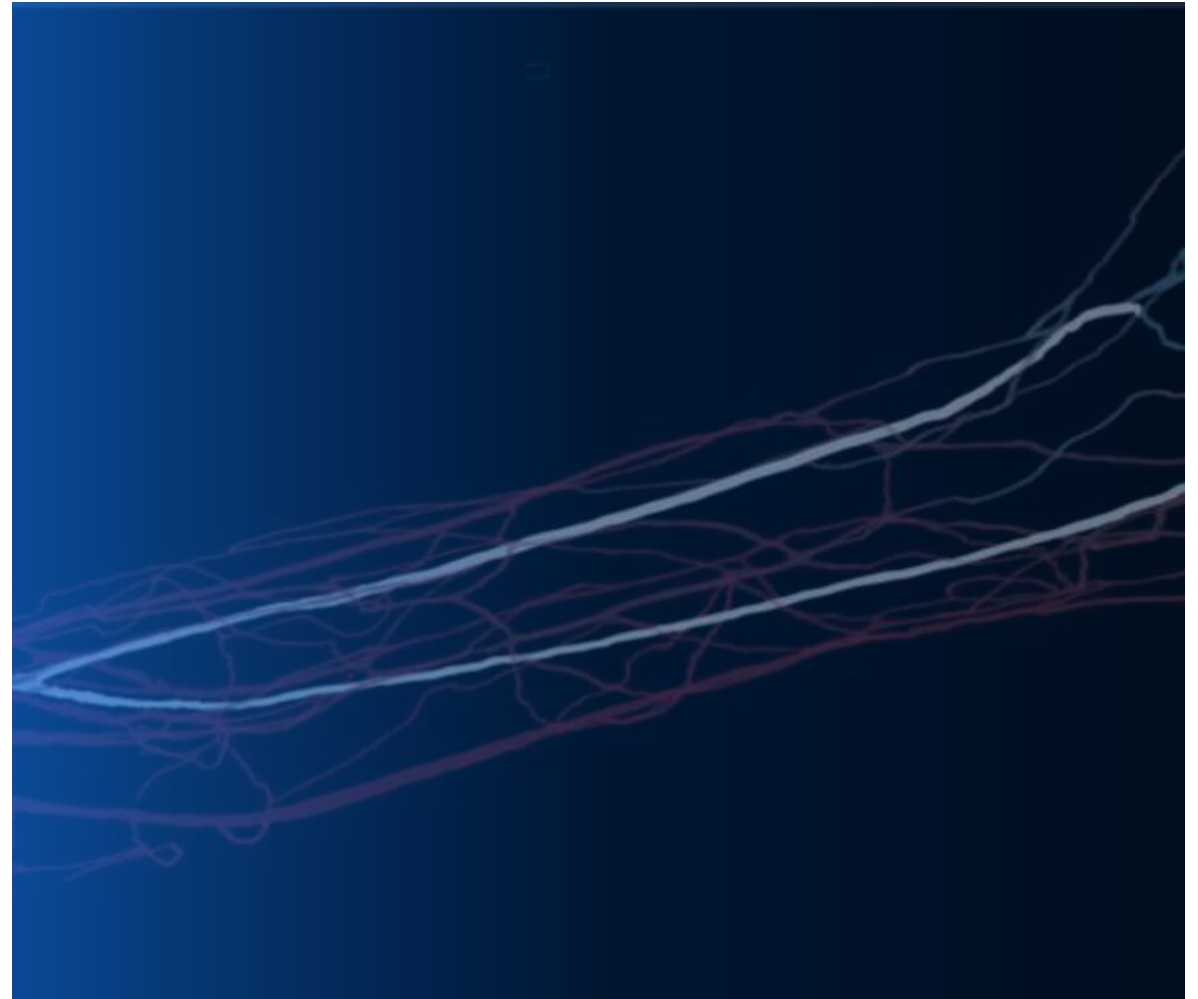


Image: Exploration of HemeLB data using OSPRay

All OSPRay Studio synergies and HemeLB



- Multitude of renderers
- Quickly switch between renderers
- Explore the individual settings for each renderer



Image: Using Ospray to examine HemeLB data



Preparation

- SuperMUC-NG
- Using the plugin to load the data
- Loading a snapshot

Processing

- Exploration of the data
- Camera settings

Results

- Exporting output files
- Saving the scene

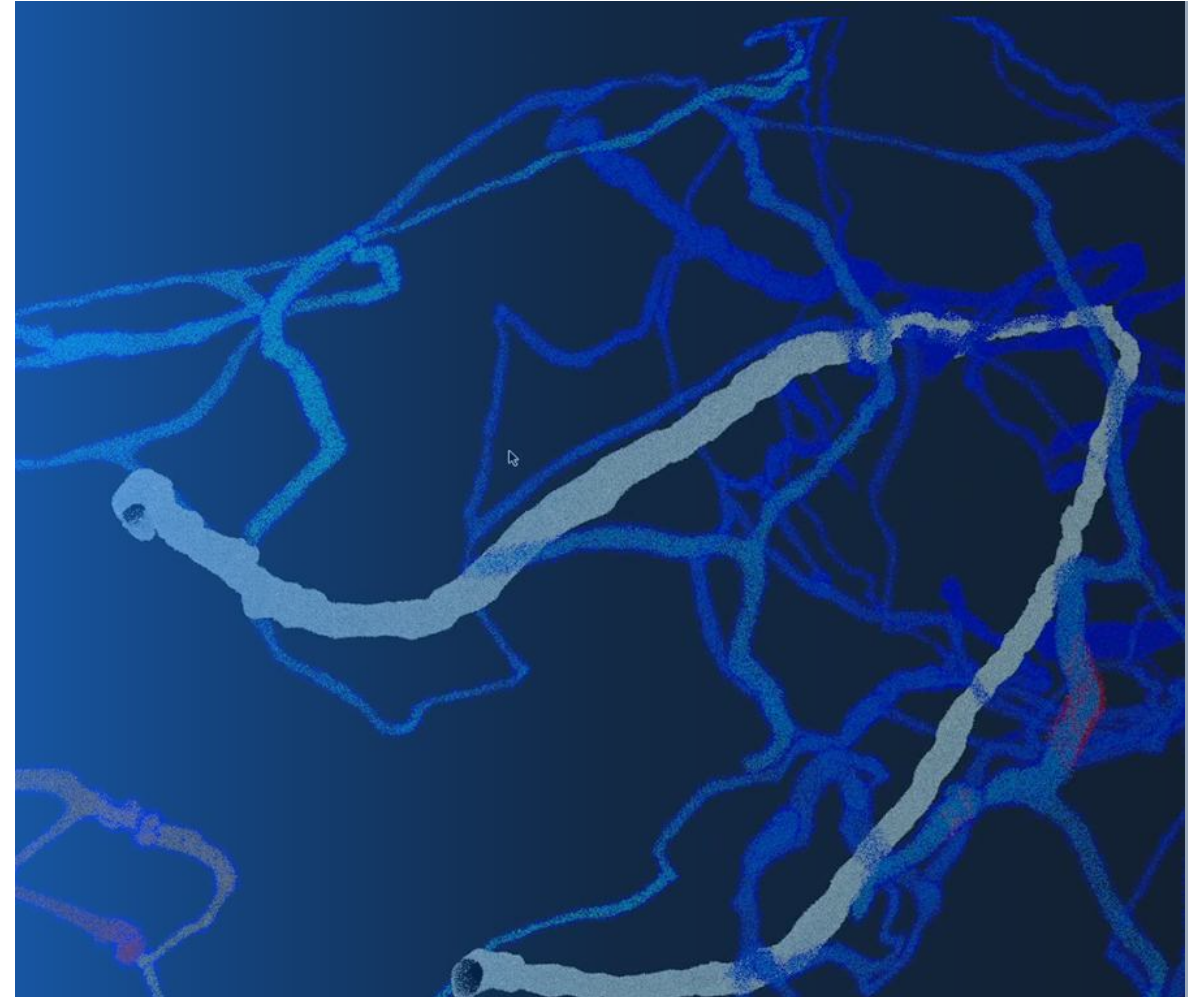
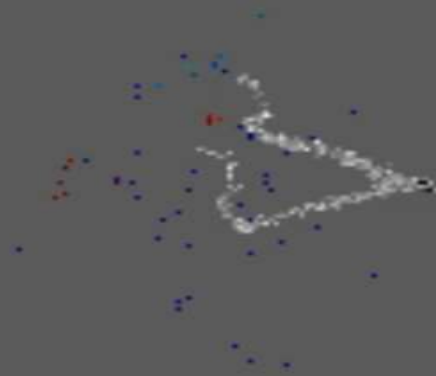
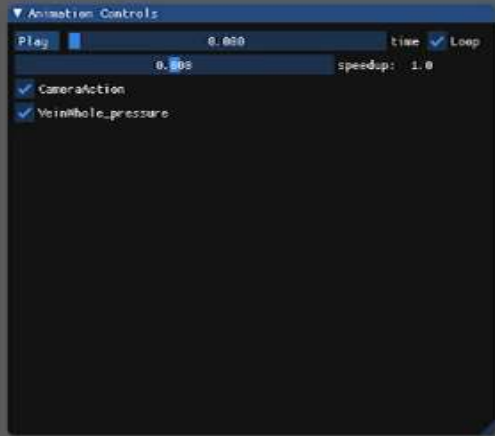


Image: Changing transfer function of the HemeLB data

Real-time screen capture of working on HemeLB data on the SuperMUC-NG using OSPRay Studio



Video: Exploring the HemeLB data in OSPRay Studio

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HemeLB, OSPRay and SuperMUC-NG Results

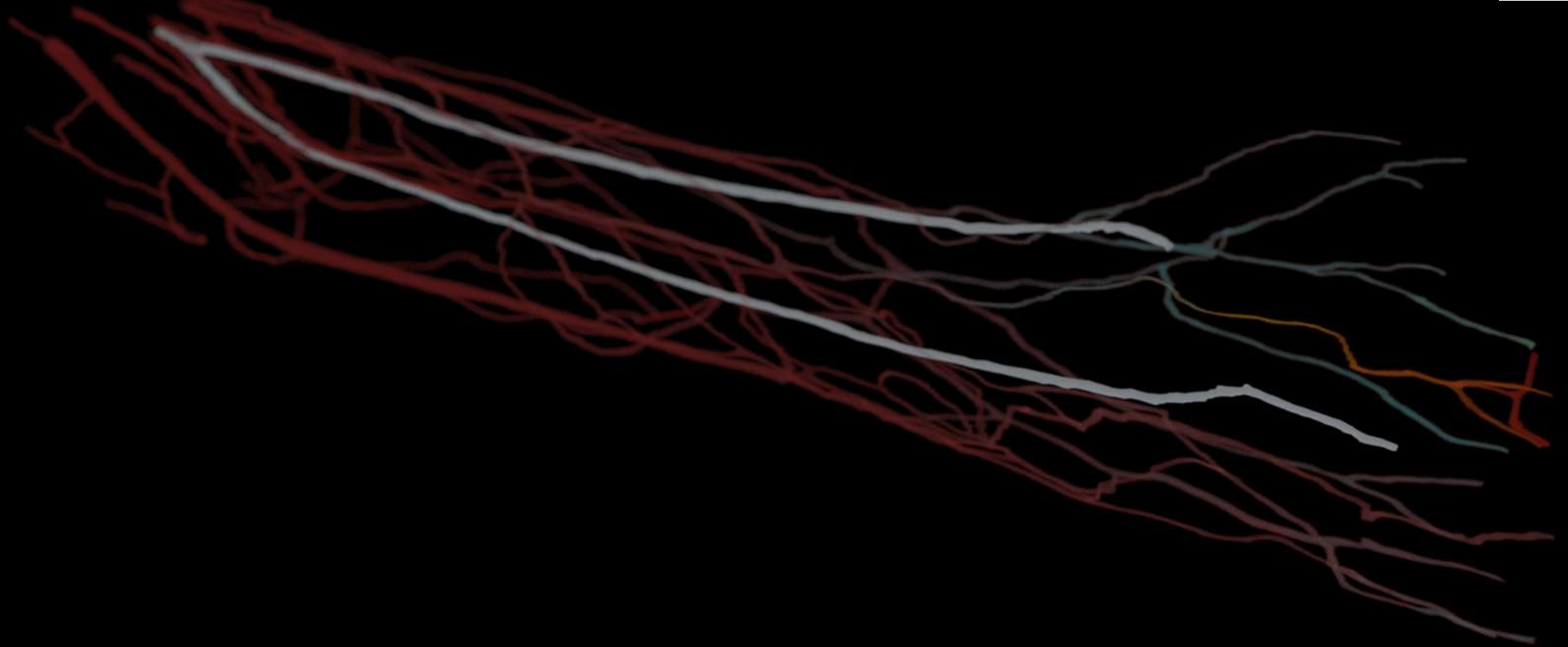


Image: Full view of the data set in OSPRay Studio

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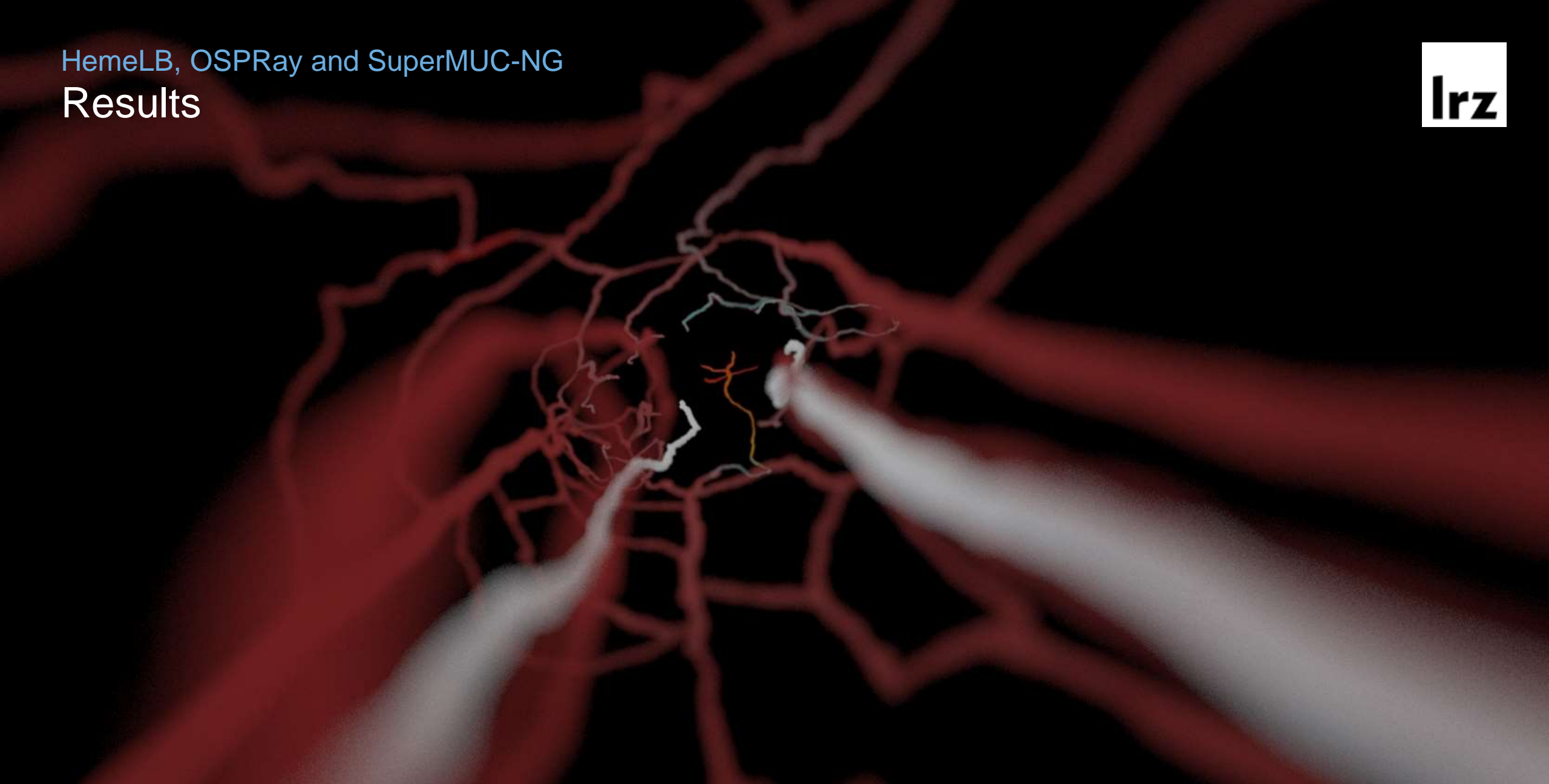


Image: View into the data set in OSPRay Studio

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- **Efficiently** interact with and explore the data
- **Quickly change settings**, e.g. transfer function
- Option to **animate cameras** and to choose between **GUI and batch renderings**
- Highly scalable (Intel Supercomputer and Intel Software)

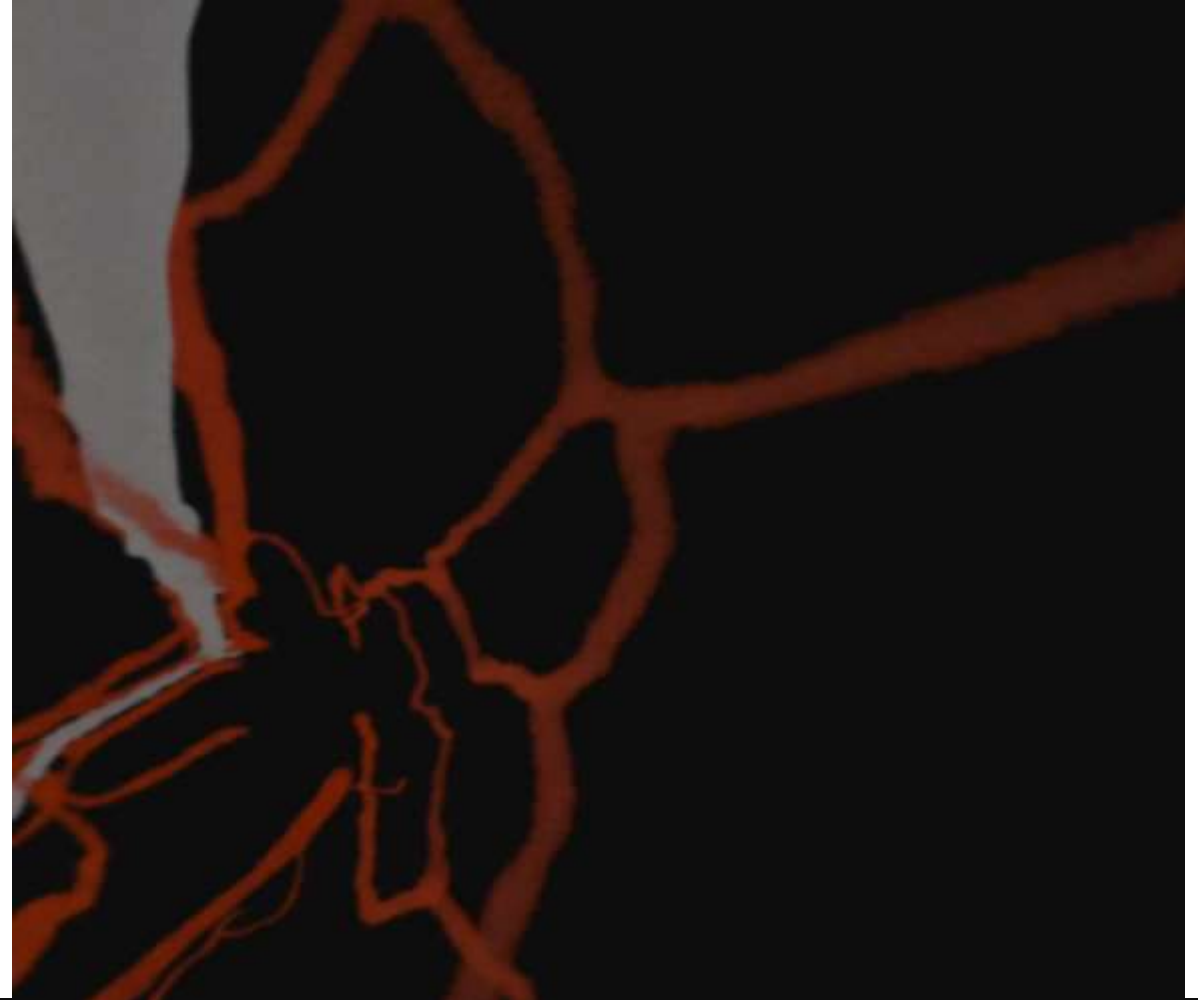
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Future Work

- **Formalise** workflow for other users
- Visualisations with **3D 360° images and videos**
- **WebVR** based experience
- Expand to **different data types** and research fields, e.g. Astrophysics, Geophysics, Biology, ...



Video: Screen recording of a preview 360° panorama of the data set

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Resources:

- LRZ: <https://www.lrz.de/>
- SuperMUC-NG: <https://doku.lrz.de/display/PUBLIC/SuperMUC-NG>
- HemeLB: <http://hemelb.org>
- CompBioMed: <https://www.combiomed.eu/>
- Intel OSPRay: <https://www.ospray.org/>
- Intel oneAPI Rendering Toolkit: <https://software.intel.com/content/www/us/en/develop/tools/oneapi/rendering-toolkit.html>



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