

Bioprinting Winter School - IV edition - 2026*

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DAY 1: Monday, 23th February 2026 - 3D (bio)printing technologies, from segmentation to G-code

9:00-9.30	Polo Ingegneria - Aula 8	Registration		
9.30-10.00		Welcom e and School introduction	Conti M. (UniPV)	Overview of the program and school goals
10.00-10.30		Additive Manufacturing. A world full of opportunities and challenges!	Auricchio F. (UniPV)	Overview about AM and 3D@UniPV
10.30-11.00	Aula studio 2° piano	Coffee Break		
11.00-12.30	Polo Ingegneria - Aula 8	Developing green and non-toxic biomaterials, derived from renewable sources and processable through 3D bioprinting technologies	Vozzi G. (UniPI)	Perspective talk about Bioprinting
12.30-13.00		Pectin-based biomaterials: a portfolio of green bioinks for a wide range of applications from biofabrication to drug testing and delivery	Di Stasi M. (UniPI)	Green bioinks for biofabrication
13.00-14.00	Aula studio 2° piano	Lunch		
14.00-16.00	Polo Ingegneria - Aula 8	Introduction to patient-specific modeling and CAD	Marconi S. (UniPV)	Creation of a patient-specific models from medical images and fundamentals of CAD
16.00-16.30	Aula studio 2° piano	Coffee Break		
16.30-18.00	Polo Ingegneria - Aula 8	CAD design and slicing	Marconi S. (UniPV)	From the 3D virtual model to the 3D printing instructions (Gcode)
18.00-19.00		Student project preparation		

DAY 2: Tuesday, 24th February 2026 - Bio-ink formulation and printability

9.00-10.30	Polo Ingegneria - Aula 8	Functional strategies and synthetic approaches in 3D printing	Russo L. (UniMIB)	Design of novel biomaterials and AI prediction
10.30-11.00	Aula studio 2° piano	Coffee Break		
11.00-11.45	Polo Ingegneria - Aula 8	Introduction to rheology	Chiesa I., Bonatti A. (UniPI)	Fundamental principle in rheology
11.45-13.00		Rheological characterization of biomaterial ink and bioink	Chiesa I., Bonatti A. (UniPI)	How to assess the printability of a bio-ink
13.00-14.00	Aula studio 2° piano	Lunch		
14.00-16.00	Lab. di Chirurgia Sperimentale	Biomaterial ink printability assessment - hands-on (1)	UniPI-UniPV team	Printing the biomaterial ink and assessing shape fidelity
16.00-16.30		Coffee Break		
16.30-18.00		Biomaterial ink printability assessment - hands-on (2)	UniPI-UniPV team	Printing the biomaterial ink and assessing shape fidelity
18.00-19.00		Student Project Preparation		

DAY 3: Wednesday, 25th February 2024 - Cells and read-out

9.00-10.00	Polo Ingegneria - Aula 8	Intro: How to create a preclinical 3D bioP model	Scielzo C. (HSR)	3D printing cells for disease modelling and read-out strategies (post-printing)
10.00-10.45		Readout strategies for 3D bioprinted models characterization	Cellani M. (HSR)	
10.45-11.15	Aula studio 2° piano	Coffee Break		
11.15-11.45	Polo Ingegneria - Aula 8	Design and development of a modular bioreactor for selective perfusion of 3D scaffolds	Pinos R. (HSR)	Post-printing: bioreactor.
11.45-12.45		Quality control	Lamprou D. (QubAC)	
12.45-13.45	Aula studio 2° piano	Lunch		
13.45-15.45	Lab. Chirurgia Sperimentale	Bioink including cells and read-out - hands-on (1)	HSR-UniPV team	Cell culture; bioink preparation; read-out
15.45-16.15		Coffee Break		
16.15-17.45		Bioink including cells and read-out - hands-on (2)	HSR-UniPV team	Cell culture; bioink preparation; read-out
17.45-18.45		Student project preparation		
20.00-23.00		Social event		

DAY 4: Thursday, 26th February 2024

9:00-10.00	Polo Ingegneria - Aula 8	Mechanical characterization	Marino M. (UniTOV)	Mechanical assessment of 3D printed model
10.00-11.00		Nanoindentation of Bio-Structured Materials	Greco G. (UniPV)	Principle in nanoindentation and applications
11.00-11.30	Aula studio 2° piano	Coffee Break		
11.30-12.30	Polo Ingegneria - Aula 8	Designing a bioprinted model, an engineering perspective	Conti M. (UniPV)	Designing bioprinted models from an engineering perspective, focusing on techniques, materials, and strategies
12.30-13.30	Aula studio 2° piano	Lunch		
13.30-15.00	Polo Ingegneria - Aula 8	Student project preparation and project fine tuning		
15.00-15.30	Aula studio 2° piano	Coffee Break		
15.30-18.00	Polo Ingegneria - Aula 8	Project presentation, mentoring & wrap-up of the school	Lecturers	Q&A session - take home messages