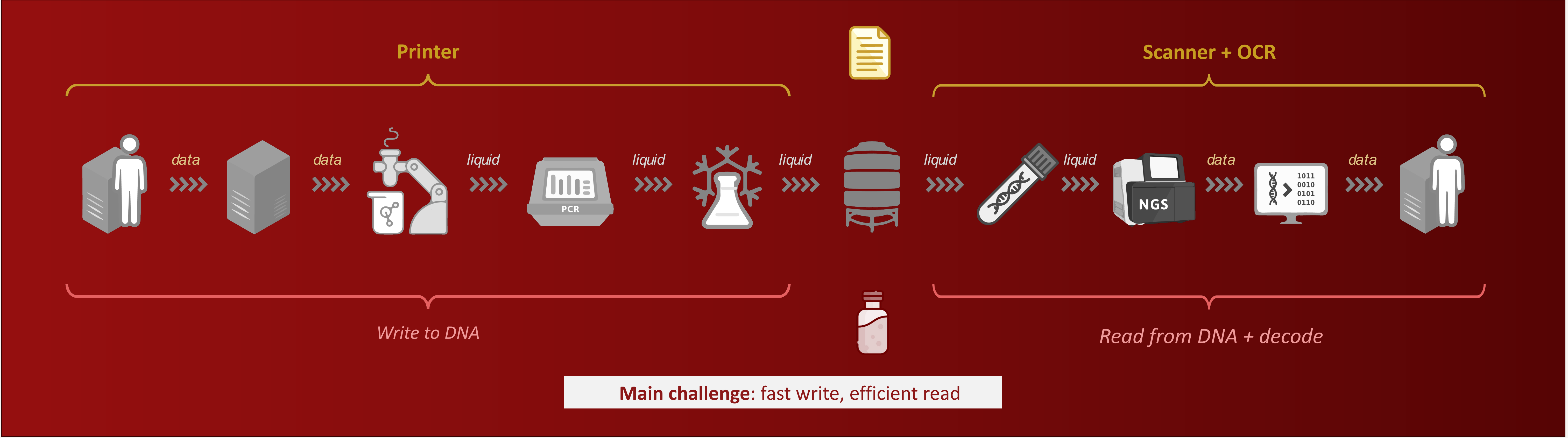


PEARL-DNA — Revolutionizing Sustainable DNA-Based Data Storage

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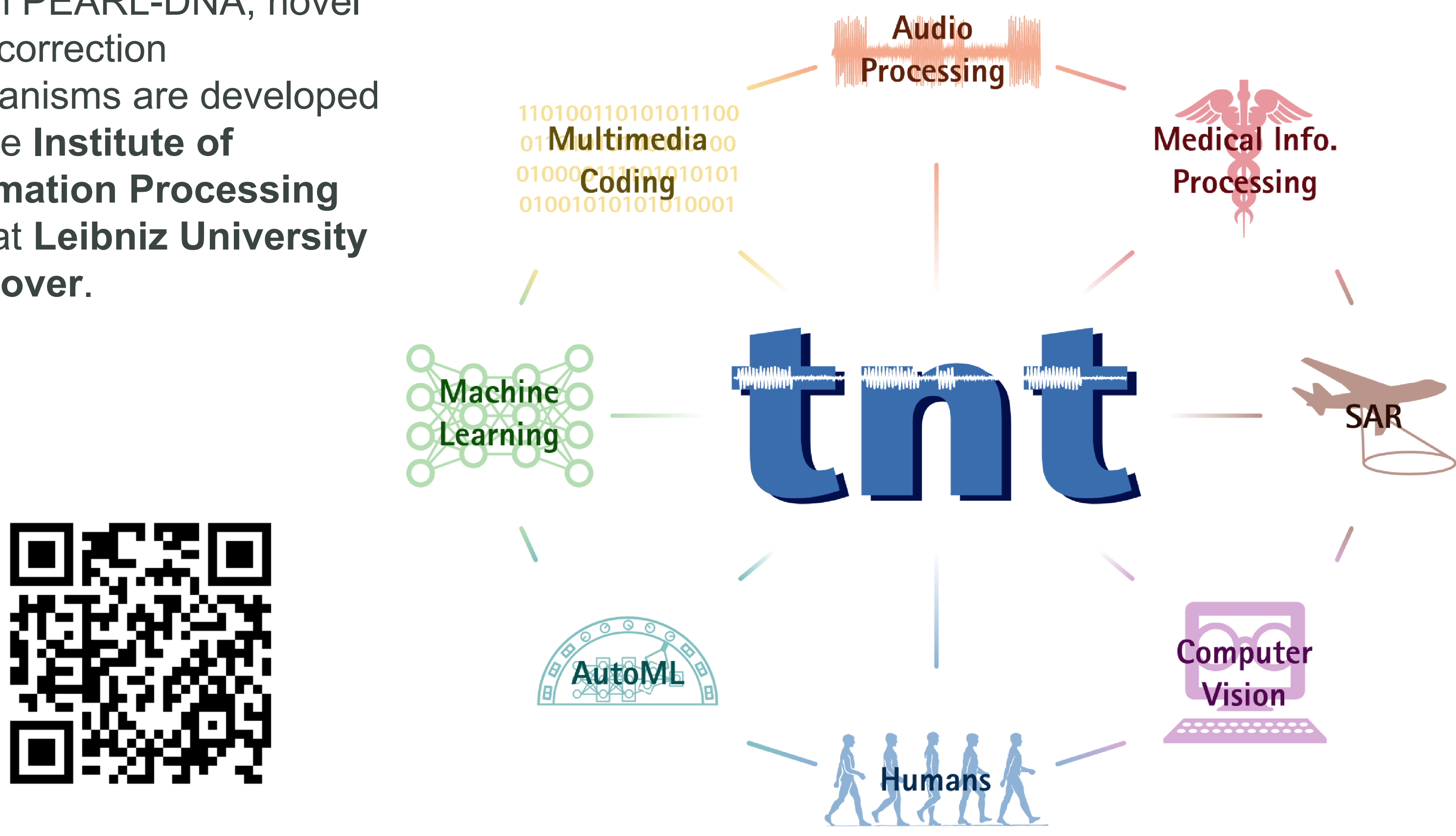
Sustainable DNA-Based Data Storage

Advances in artificial intelligence, health care, astronomy, physics, climate science, pharmacy, and genetics — all depend on storing massive amounts of data to remain competitive and drive scientific discovery. **The world is running out of data storage, as current technologies for digital data storage are reaching various technological and sustainability limits.** Conventional storage media do not have the capacity, longevity, data density, or cost-efficiency to meet global demand.

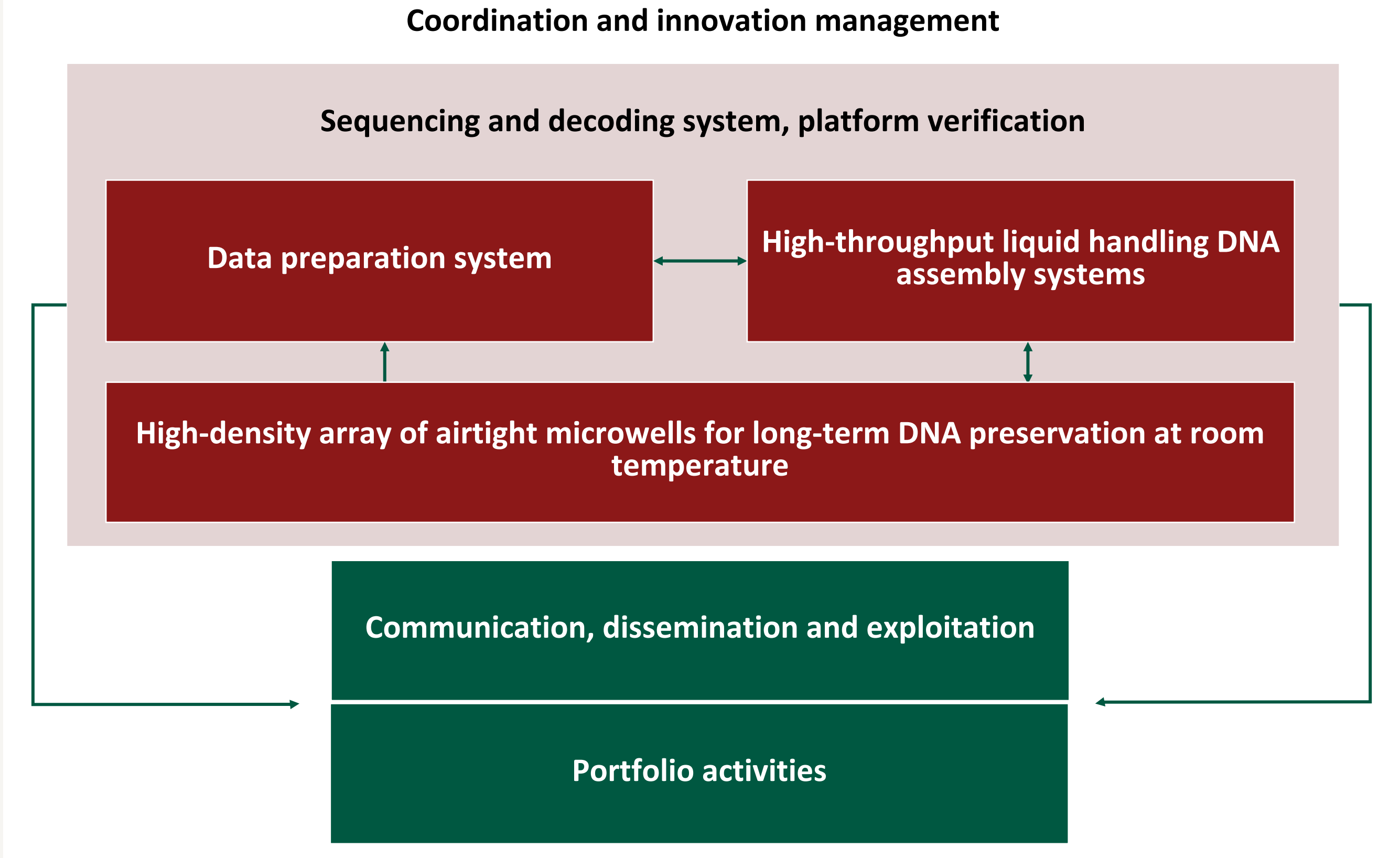
PEARL-DNA will develop and assess a **complete end-to-end chain of innovative solutions** — contributing to improving speed, accuracy, energy efficiency, and costs associated with DNA digital data storage. Using a **block-by-block DNA synthesis** approach, we are pioneering **error correction**, compression, and data standardization modules, alongside a cutting-edge **storage container system**. This system will ensure a maintenance-free, long-term preservation of DNA without any energy requirements. Our fully **modular and interoperable platform** aims to transform data storage and foster collaboration across the DNA-based storage industry, propelling this technology into the future.

The Institute of Information Processing

Within PEARL-DNA, novel error correction mechanisms are developed the the **Institute of Information Processing (tnt)** at Leibniz University Hannover.



Work Plan



Key Project Novelties

- 1 End-to-end data storage and retrieval on DNA
- 2 Error detection and correction for block-by-block synthesized DNA data storage
- 3 High-throughput liquid handling systems
- 4 Block-by-block DNA assembly in small volumes
- 5 Streamlined DNA processing for storage
- 6 Storage system for DNA preservation at room temperature
- 7 Reading platform with random access method and custom decoding software



Summary

Interoperable end-to-end platform of scalable and sustainable high-throughput technologies for DNA-based digital data storage.

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