

#### BIOMAT: MODULAR SUSTAINABLE ARCHITECTURE

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The Mock-up demonstrates a vision for modular sustainable architecture, where annually renewable biomaterials are digitally additively fabricated to produce minimal surface modular units, which are versatile and reusable in diverse geometric constellations.



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The Mock-up is 2 m high, consists of 14 modules and weighs only 20 kg. The identical modules were assembled into different foam-like lightweight compositions. The modules were fabricated by digitally tailoring natural flax fibers into specific 2D patterns following optimized structural and parametric geometrical deviations. These were later formed using a vacuum-assisted molding process into the final 3D shapes.

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This project is a result of three months of intensive work including computational architectural design, structural simulations, and optimizations as well as the digital fabrication phases.

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