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# A two-compartment hierarchical porous medium system for vascular tumor growth: theory and implementation in Cast3M

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# PHYSICS & CANCER

## → What does physics have to do with cancer?

*Franziska Michor et al.* – NATURE REVIEWS | CANCER VOLUME 11 | SEPTEMBER 2011 | 657

- Transport OncoPhysics: multiscale modelling of cancer growth and multiparameter response to therapy; multiscale imaging; and multiscale probes

## → Getting physical

*Jennie Dushek* – NATURE | VOL 491 | 22 NOVEMBER 2012 | S50

- Physics, maths and evolutionary biology are among the scientific disciplines providing cancer research with fresh perspective and therapeutic approaches.

*“As biology begins to confront the limits of the molecular approach — which has yielded vast amounts of data but not always clear understanding — some scientists have returned to a more biomechanical view of life, and their research is starting to bear fruit.”*

# MECHANICS & CANCER

## → The forces of cancer

*Erica Jonietz - NATURE | VOL 491 | 22 NOVEMBER 2012 | S56*

- The way cells mechanically interact with each other and their environment could help researchers understand the invasion and metastasis of solid tumors.

The aim is here to exploit **porous media mechanics and multiphase flow dynamics** to better understand some paradigms of **tumor growth mechanobiology**

Taken from *ORIGENE.com* – Immunohistochemical staining of paraffin-embedded Human normal ovary tissue (left) and ovary cancer tissue (right)

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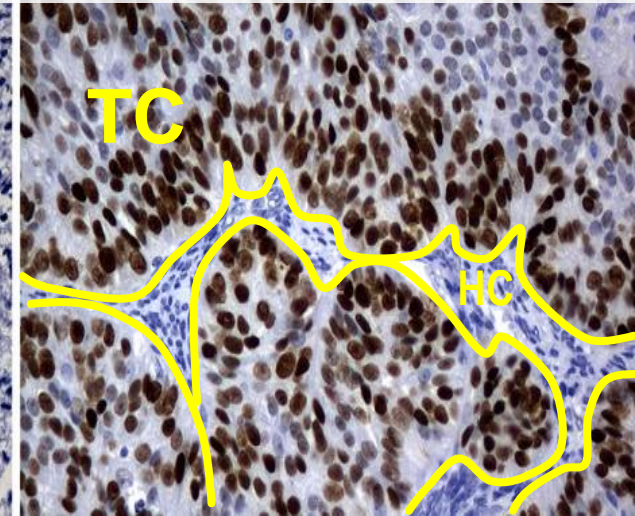
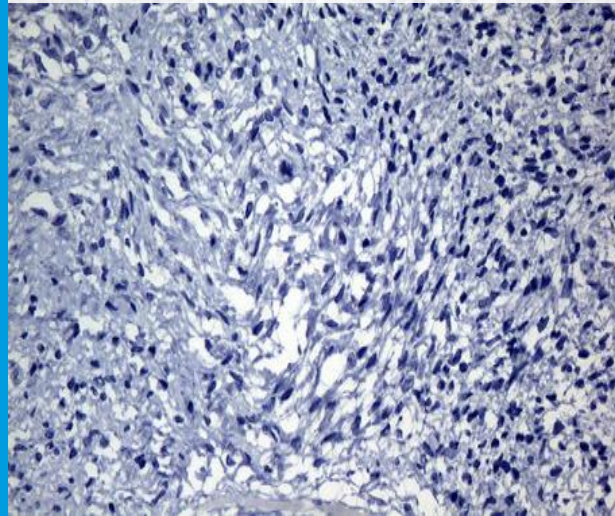
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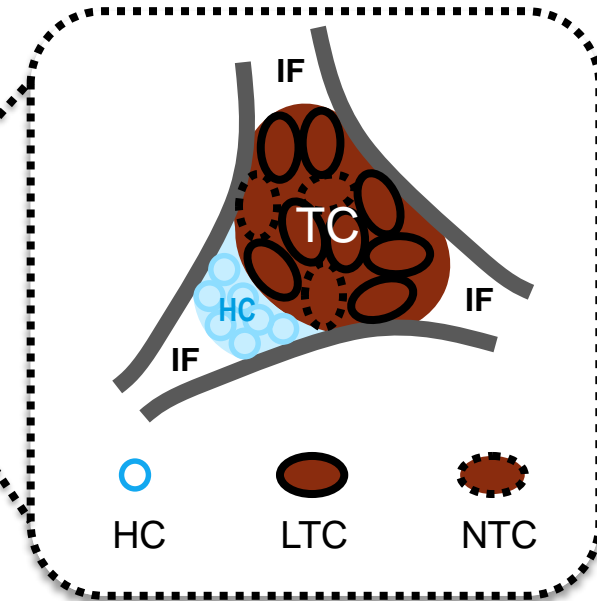
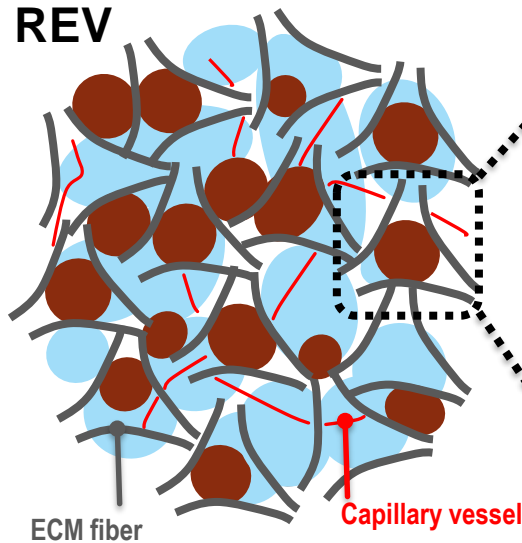
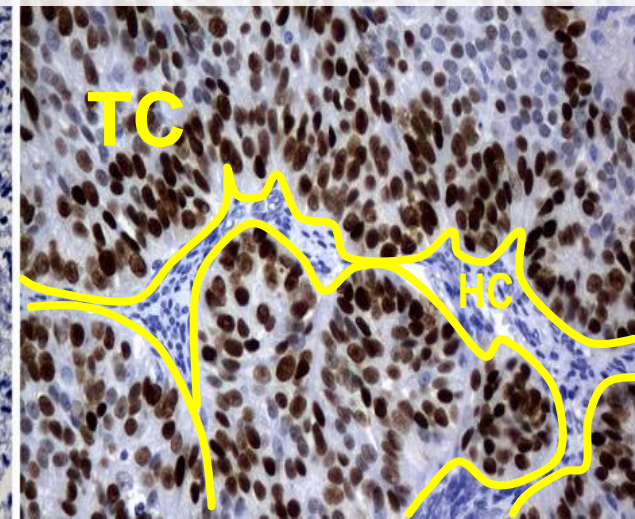
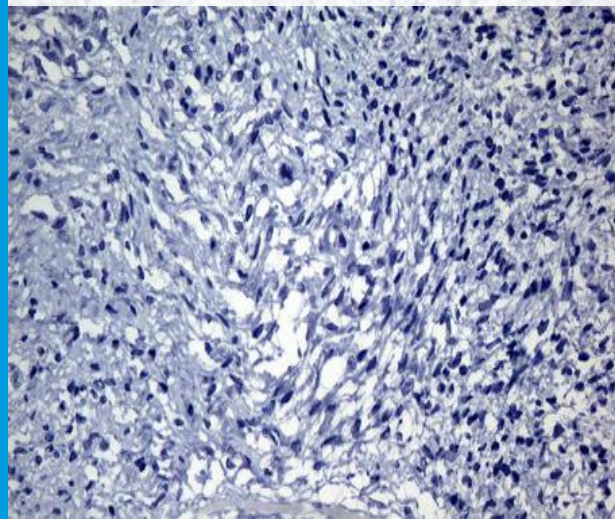
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# Phases definition & preliminary hypotheses

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Vascular porosity  $\mathcal{E}$ : Extra-vascular porosity

- Vascular porosity  $\varepsilon^b$  is always saturated by blood;
- Saturation degree is defined for extra-vascular porosity only as:  $S^\beta = \varepsilon^\beta / \mathcal{E}$  ( $\beta = t, h, l$ )

Porosity, and saturation constraint:

$$\varepsilon = 1 - \varepsilon^b - \varepsilon^s$$
$$S^l + S^t + S^h = 1$$

## Solid scaffold:

- ECM fibers (dominant species with structural function);
- Vessel walls (they assure immiscibility between blood and other fluid phases).

# Mass c. eqs of phases (7 scalar independent eqs)

Definition of porosity and saturation constraint:

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Mass conservation eqs of S, TC, HC, IF, B:

(introducing mat. derivatives with respect of the moving solid phase)

The diagram illustrates the mass conservation equations for different phases, with arrows indicating the biological processes they represent:

- TCs growth:** Represented by blue circles and arrows pointing to the  $M_{growth}^{l \rightarrow t}$  terms in the TC and IF equations.
- ECh production:** Represented by orange circles and arrows pointing to the  $M_{ang}^{ECh \rightarrow s}$  terms in the S, TC, and IF equations.
- Vessels formation:** Represented by a purple circle and arrow pointing to the  $M_{ang}^{ECh \rightarrow s}$  term in the S equation.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D^s}{Dt}(\rho^s \varepsilon^s) + \rho^s \varepsilon^s \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^s &= M_{ang}^{ECh \rightarrow s} & [ma.s] \\ \frac{D^s}{Dt}(\rho^t \varepsilon S^t) + \nabla \cdot (\rho^t \varepsilon S^t \mathbf{v}^{ts}) + \rho^t \varepsilon S^t \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^s &= M_{growth}^{l \rightarrow t} & [ma.t] \\ \frac{D^s}{Dt}(\rho^h \varepsilon S^h) + \nabla \cdot (\rho^h \varepsilon S^h \mathbf{v}^{hs}) + \rho^h \varepsilon S^h \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^s &= M_{ang}^{ECh \rightarrow s} - M_{ang}^{ECh \rightarrow s} & [ma.h] \\ \frac{D^s}{Dt}(\rho^l \varepsilon S^l) + \nabla \cdot (\rho^l \varepsilon S^l \mathbf{v}^{ls}) + \rho^l \varepsilon S^l \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^s &= -M_{growth}^{l \rightarrow t} - M_{ang}^{l \rightarrow ECh} & [ma.l] \\ \frac{D^s}{Dt}(\rho^b \varepsilon^b) + \nabla \cdot (\rho^b \varepsilon^b \mathbf{v}^{bs}) + \rho^b \varepsilon^b \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^s &= 0 & [ma.b] \end{aligned}$$

# Mass c. eqs of species in TC, HC & IF (5 scalar independent eqs)

## Mass c. eqs for necrotic TC and $\omega^{it}$ constraint (2 scalar independent eqs)

$$\frac{D^s \left( \rho^t \varepsilon S^t \omega^{\bar{N}t} \right)}{Dt} + \nabla \cdot \left( \rho^t \varepsilon S^t \omega^{\bar{N}t} \mathbf{v}^{ts} \right) + \rho^t \varepsilon S^t \omega^{\bar{N}t} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^s - \varepsilon^t r^{Nt} = 0 \quad \omega^{\bar{L}t} = 1 - \omega^{\bar{N}t}$$

## Mass c. eqs of EC species in HC (1 scalar independent eqn)

$$\frac{D^s \left( \rho^h \varepsilon^h \omega^{\bar{E}Ch} \right)}{Dt} + \nabla \cdot \left( \rho^h \varepsilon^h \omega^{\bar{E}Ch} \mathbf{u}^{\bar{E}Ch} \right) + \nabla \cdot \left( \rho^h \varepsilon^h \omega^{\bar{E}Ch} \mathbf{v}^{\bar{h}s} \right) + \rho^h \varepsilon^h \omega^{\bar{E}Ch} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^s = M^{l \rightarrow ECh} - M^{ECh \rightarrow s}_{ang}$$

$$\omega^{\bar{E}Ch} \mathbf{u}^{\bar{E}Ch} = -\mathbf{D}^{ECh} \nabla \omega^{\bar{E}Ch} + \mathbf{D}^{ECh} \frac{C \omega^{\bar{E}Ch}}{1 - C \omega^{\bar{T}AFI}} \nabla \omega^{\bar{T}AFI}$$

Derived from the SEI (TCAT: paper 5 – W. G. Gray, C. T. Miller)



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## Mass c. eqs OXY and TAF species in IF (2 scalar independent eqs)

$$\frac{D^s \left( \rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{OXYl}} \right)}{Dt} + \nabla \cdot \left( \rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{OXYl}} \mathbf{v}^{ls} \right) + \nabla \cdot \left( \rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{OXYl}} \mathbf{u}^{\overline{OXYl}} \right) + \rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{OXYl}} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^s = \overset{b \rightarrow OXYl}{M} - \overset{OXYl \rightarrow t}{M}$$

$$\frac{D^s \left( \rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{TAFI}} \right)}{Dt} + \nabla \cdot \left( \rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{TAFI}} \mathbf{v}^{ls} \right) + \nabla \cdot \left( \rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{TAFI}} \mathbf{u}^{\overline{OXYl}} \right) + \rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{TAFI}} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^s = \overset{t \rightarrow TAFI}{M}$$

# Momentum c. eqs for phases (15 scalar independent eqs)

## Mom. c. eqn multiphase system (3 scalar independent eqs)

Summing [mo.α] over all phases gives the momentum equation of the whole multiphase system as:

(Summation allows eliminating momentum transfer terms  $\overset{\kappa \rightarrow \alpha}{\mathbf{T}}$ )

$$\nabla \cdot \bar{\mathbf{t}}^{\bar{\bar{T}}} = 0 \quad [\text{mo.system}]$$

where  $\bar{\mathbf{t}}^{\bar{\bar{T}}}$  is the total stress tensor: 
$$\bar{\mathbf{t}}^{\bar{\bar{T}}} = \varepsilon^s \bar{\mathbf{t}}^{\bar{s}} - \sum_{f=t,h,l,b} \varepsilon^f p^f \mathbf{1}$$

## Mom. c. eqs for fluid phases (12 scalar independent eqs)

$$\varepsilon^f \nabla p^f + \mathbf{R}^f \cdot (\mathbf{v}^{\bar{f}} - \mathbf{v}^{\bar{s}}) = 0 \quad [\text{mo-a.f}]$$

Resistance tensor

with  $f = t, h, l, b$

# Model closure

## Summary of model conservation eqs

- Mass c. eqs of phases ..... 7 scalar independent eqs
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**Total : 27 scalar independent eqs**

## Summary of model independent variables

Phase	Phase indicator	Species	Associated variables	N. equivalent scalar variables
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Tumor cells	$t$	$Lt, Nt$	$S^t, \rho^t, p^t, \mathbf{v}^t, \omega^{\bar{L}t}, \omega^{\bar{N}t}$	8
Host cells	$h$	$ECh$	$S^h, \rho^h, p^h, \mathbf{v}^h, \omega^{\bar{E}Ch}, \mathbf{u}^{\bar{E}Ch}$	10
Interstitial fluid	$l$	$OXYI, TAFI$	$S^l, \rho^l, p^l, \mathbf{v}^l, \omega^{\bar{OXYI}}, \omega^{\bar{TAFI}}, \mathbf{u}^{\bar{OXYI}}, \mathbf{u}^{\bar{TAFI}}$	14
Blood vessels	$b$	-	$\rho^b, p^b, \varepsilon^b \mathbf{v}^{\bar{b}}$	6
<b>Total of scalar unknowns</b>				<b>50</b>

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# Model closure / assuming phases incompressibility\*

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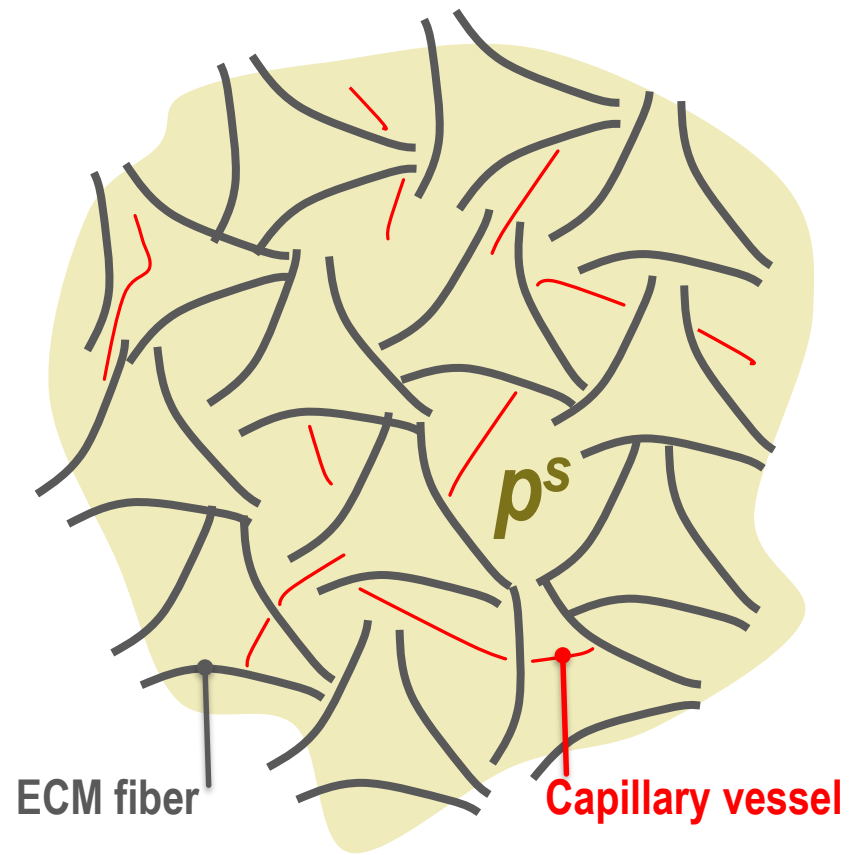
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<b>Total of scalar unknowns</b>				<b>45</b>

**18 Constitutive/state eqs are needed for model closure**

\*this does not mean that the overall ECM scaffold is incompressible because porosity is inside.

# Constitutive laws (18 scalar equations)

- State equation for  $\varepsilon^b$  1 eqn
- Mechanical constitutive model 6 eqs
- Two pressure-saturation eqs 2 eqs
- Fick's law for species diffusion 9 eqs



# Effective Stress Tensor

A non-conventional form accounting for hierarchy of porous compartments



# Effective Stress Tensor: a non-conventional form

## Stress tensor solid phase

$$\bar{\mathbf{t}}^s = \bar{\boldsymbol{\tau}}^s - p^s \mathbf{1}$$

effective solid phase  
stress tensor

solid phase  
pressure

## Stress for fluid phases

$$\bar{\mathbf{t}}^f = -p^f \mathbf{1} \quad (f = t, h, l, b)$$

Pressure in the fluid phase  
(positive if the fluid is in compression)

Summing of phase tensors weighed by their own volume fraction gives the **total stress tensor** as

$$\bar{\mathbf{t}}^T = \sum_{\alpha=s,t,h,l,b} \varepsilon^\alpha \bar{\mathbf{t}}^\alpha = \varepsilon^s \left( \bar{\boldsymbol{\tau}}^s - p^s \mathbf{1} \right) - \sum_{f=t,h,l,b} \varepsilon^f p^f \mathbf{1}$$

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**Hypothesis 1:** blood vessels are mostly surrounded by extra-vascular fluids (*TC*, *HC* and *IF*), hence they have no relevant mechanical interaction with “structural” ECM fibers

**Hypothesis 2:** the solid pressure,  $p^s$ , is assumed being related with pressures of extra-vascular fluids (*TC*, *HC* and *IF*) only:

$$p^s = \sum_{\beta=t,h,l} S^{\beta} p^{\beta} = S^t p^t + S^h p^h + S^l p^l$$

$$\mathbf{t}^{\bar{\bar{E}}} = \underbrace{\varepsilon^s \boldsymbol{\tau}^s}_{\text{EFFECTIVE STRESS TENSOR (EST)}} = \mathbf{t}^{\bar{\bar{T}}} + p^s \mathbf{1} - \varepsilon^b \left( p^s - p^b \right) \mathbf{1}$$

EFFECTIVE STRESS TENSOR (EST)

# Effective Stress Tensor: $\mathbf{t}^E = \mathbf{t}^T + p^s \mathbf{1} - \varepsilon^b (p^s - p^b) \mathbf{1}$

Material objective time derivative of the effective stress tensor :

$$\dot{\mathbf{t}}^{\bar{E}} = \dot{\mathbf{t}}^{\bar{T}} + (1 - \varepsilon^b) \dot{p}^s \mathbf{1} + \varepsilon^b \dot{p}^b \mathbf{1} - (p^s - p^b) \dot{\varepsilon}^b \mathbf{1}$$

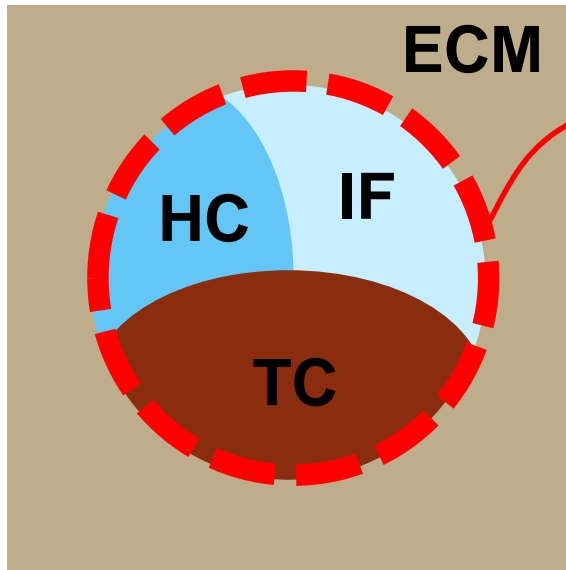
EST induces all deformations of ECM scaffold:  $\dot{\mathbf{t}}^{\bar{E}} = \mathbf{C}_{ECM} : \mathbf{d}$

Introducing this constitutive relationship in the previous eqn gives:

$$\dot{\mathbf{t}}^{\bar{T}} = \mathbf{C}_{ECM} : (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{d}_{sw})$$

$$\mathbf{d}_{sw} = d_{sw} \mathbf{1} = \left( \frac{(1 - \varepsilon^b)}{3K} \dot{p}^s + \frac{\varepsilon^b}{3K} \dot{p}^b - \frac{(p^s - p^b)}{3K} \dot{\varepsilon}^b \right) \mathbf{1}$$

# State eqn for volume fraction of blood vessels

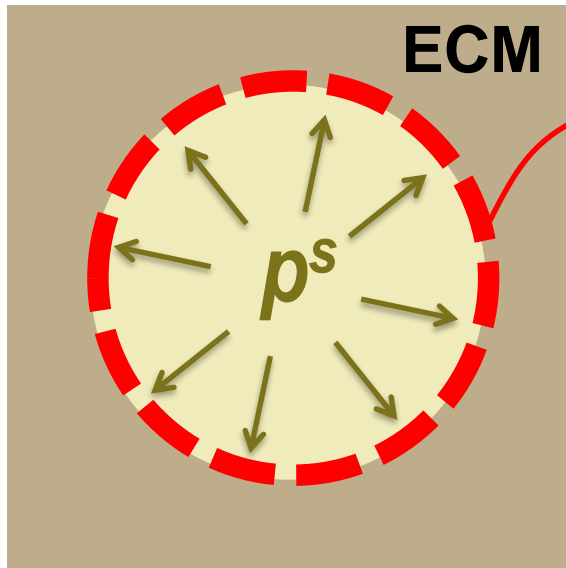


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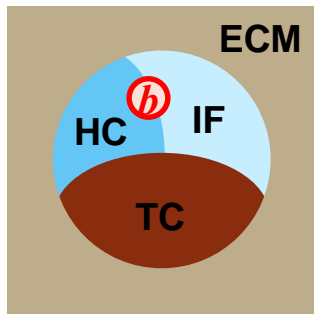


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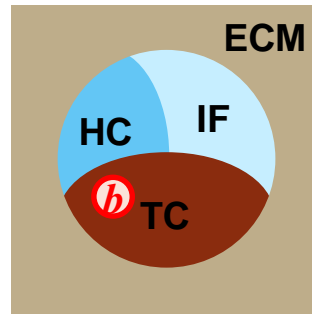
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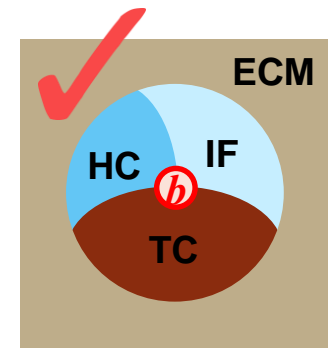


$$p^{ext} = \chi^h p^h + (1 - \chi^h) p^l$$



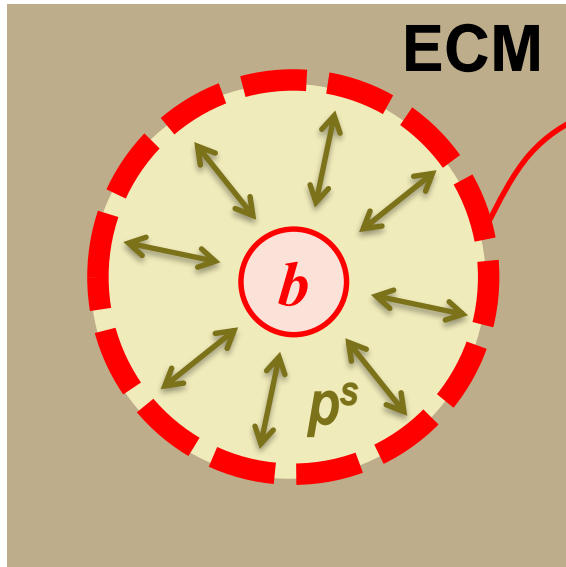
$$p^{ext} = p^l$$

... or ...



$$p^{ext} = S^t p^t + S^h p^h + S^l p^l = p^s$$

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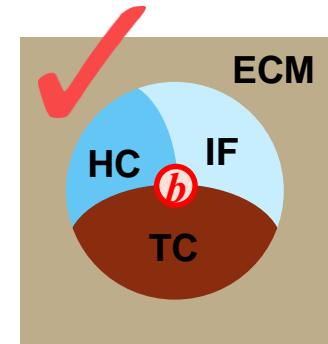
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**Vascular model** ( $\varepsilon^b$  depends on ( $p^b - p^{\text{extra-vascular}}$ )):

$$\varepsilon^b(p^b, p^s, \Gamma) = \varepsilon_0^b (1 + \alpha\Gamma) \left( 1 - \frac{p^s - p^b}{K^{\text{vess}}} \right)$$

Internal variable describing **angiogenesis**

(no angiogenesis)  $0 \leq \Gamma \leq 1$  (angiogenesis fully developed)

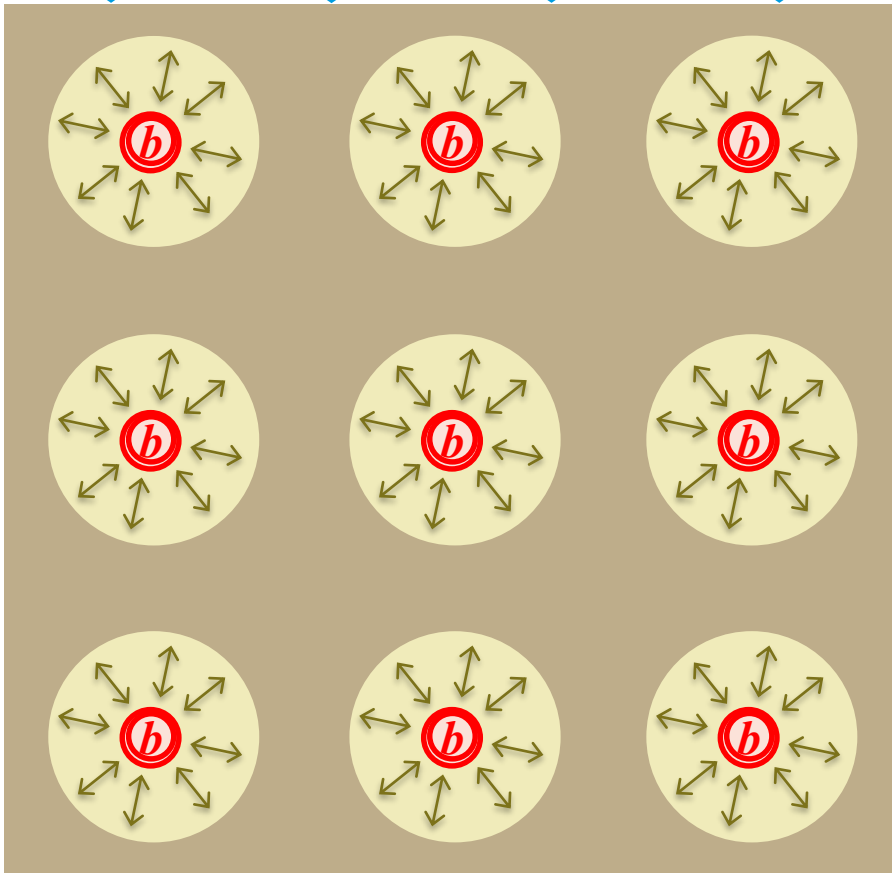
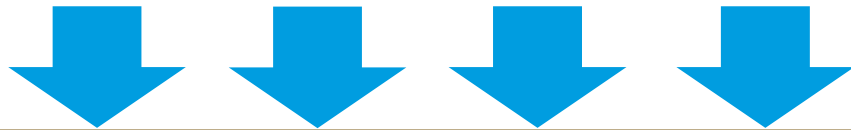


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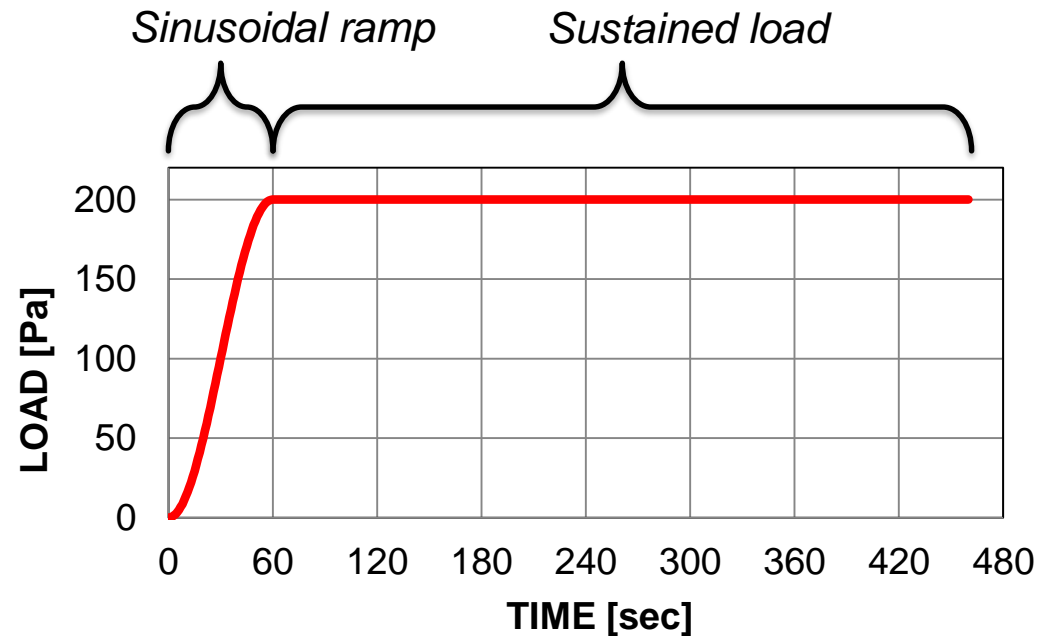
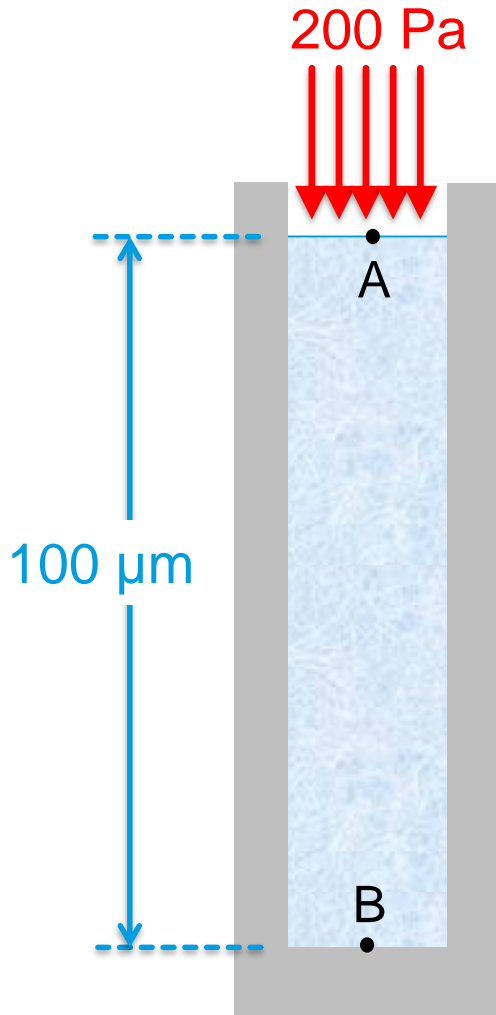


“ How does it work ? ”

**ECM** interacts with **blood vessel** via extravascular fluids

**Comment:** This is a reasonable assumption for the considered system and simplifies importantly the mathematical formulation.

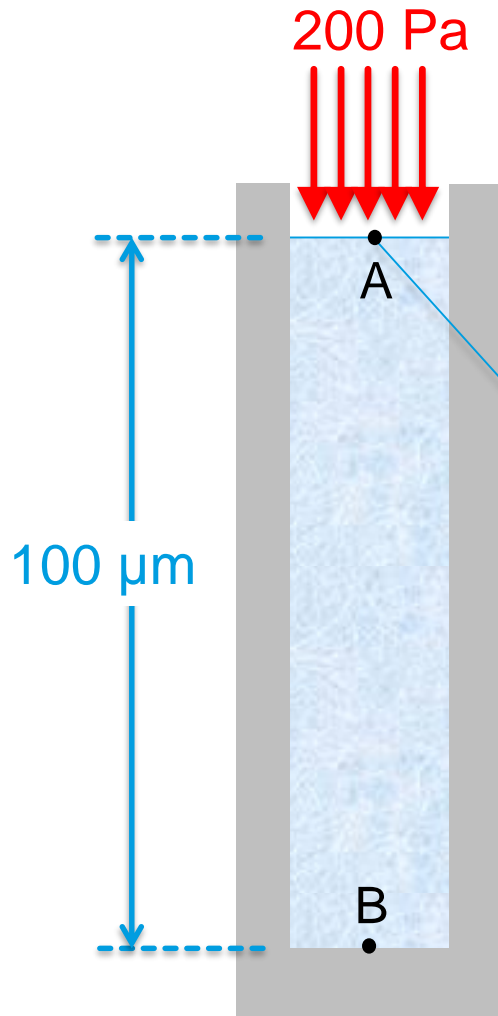
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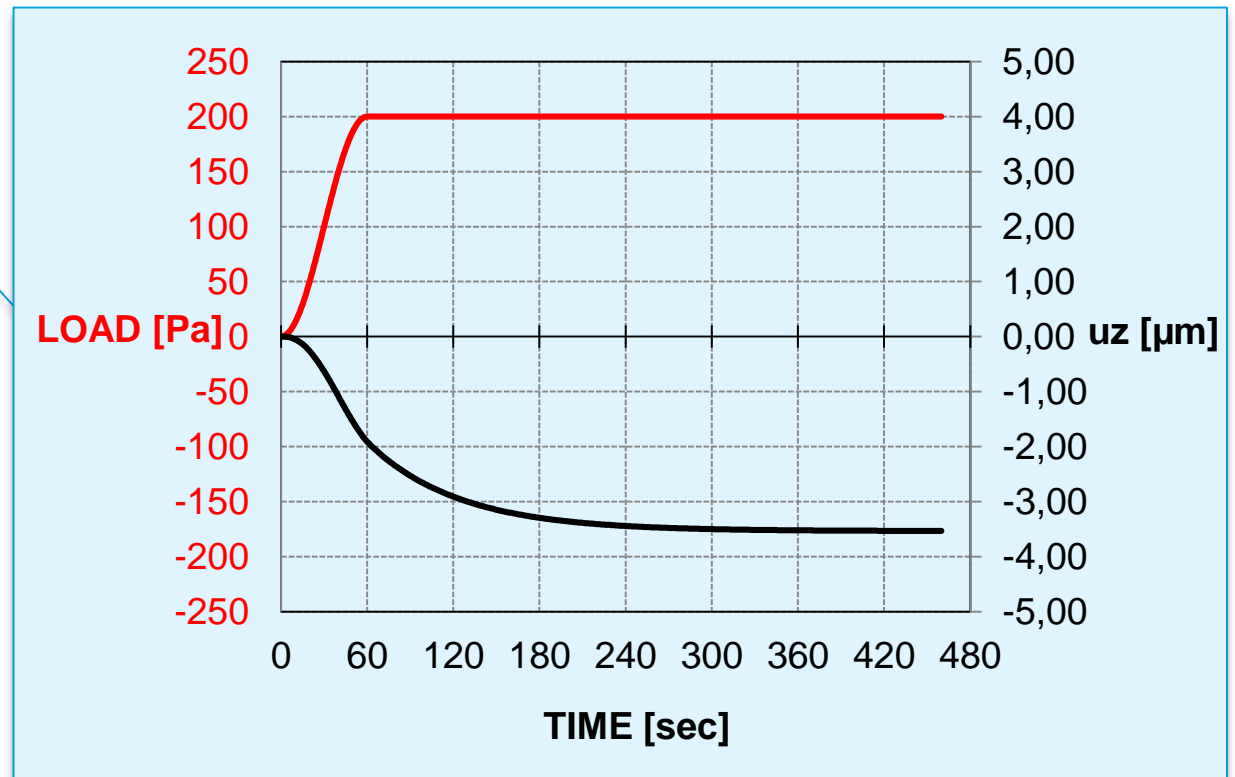
## MATERIAL DATA

$E$	$\nu$	$\varepsilon$	$k_\varepsilon$	$\mu_f$	$\varepsilon_{b0}$	$K_{vess}$	$k_{vess}$	$\mu_b$
5000	0.2	0.5	$1.10^{-14}$	1	0.1	5000	$1.10^{-15}$	0.02
Extra-vascular porosity data					Vascular porosity data			

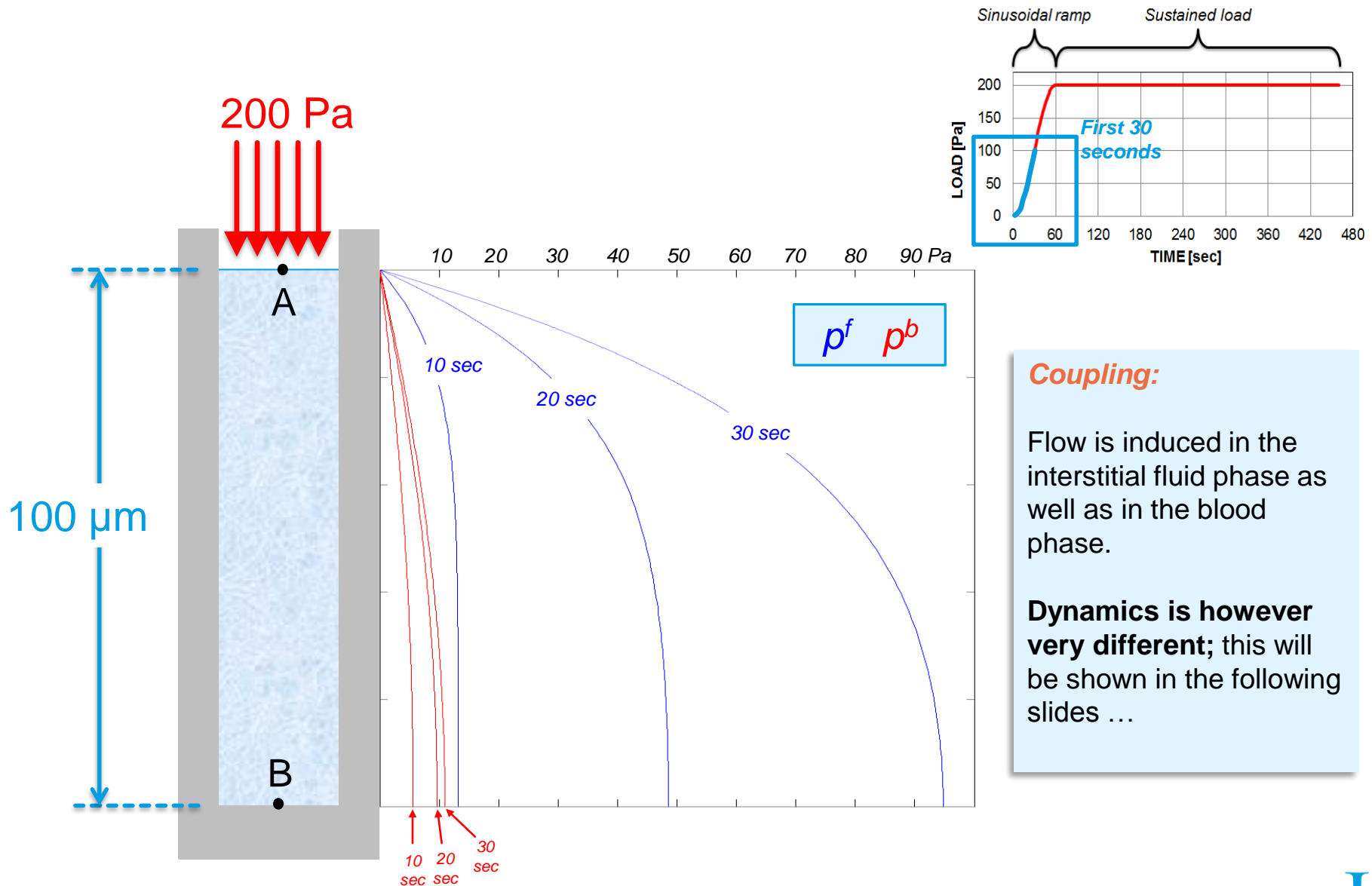
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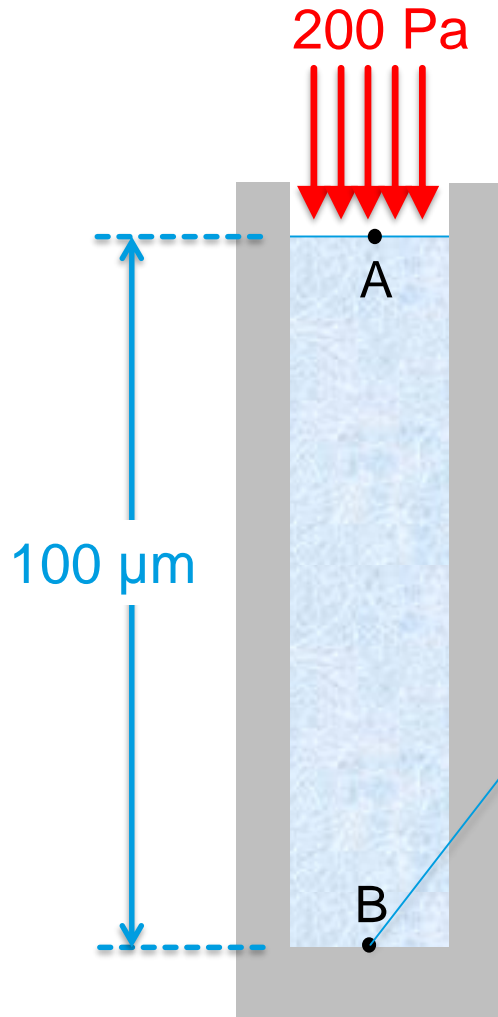
POINT A – LOAD & VERTICAL DISPLACEMENT WITH TIME



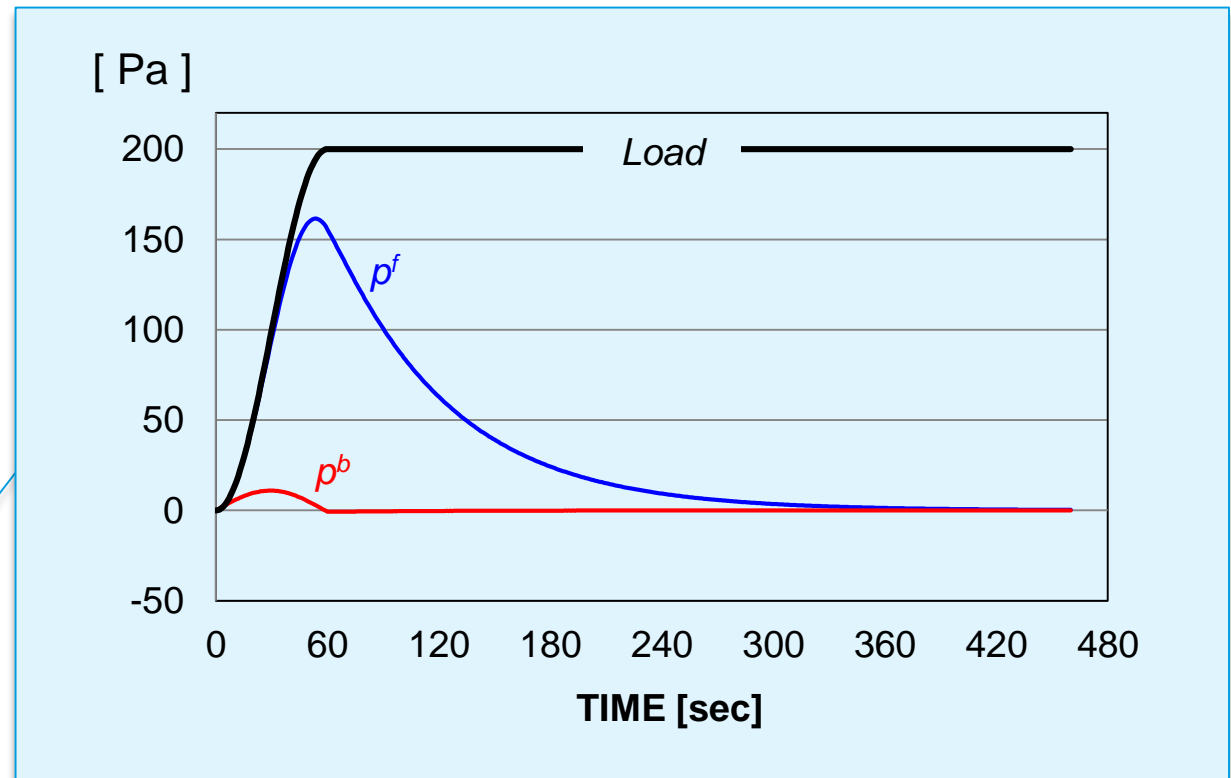
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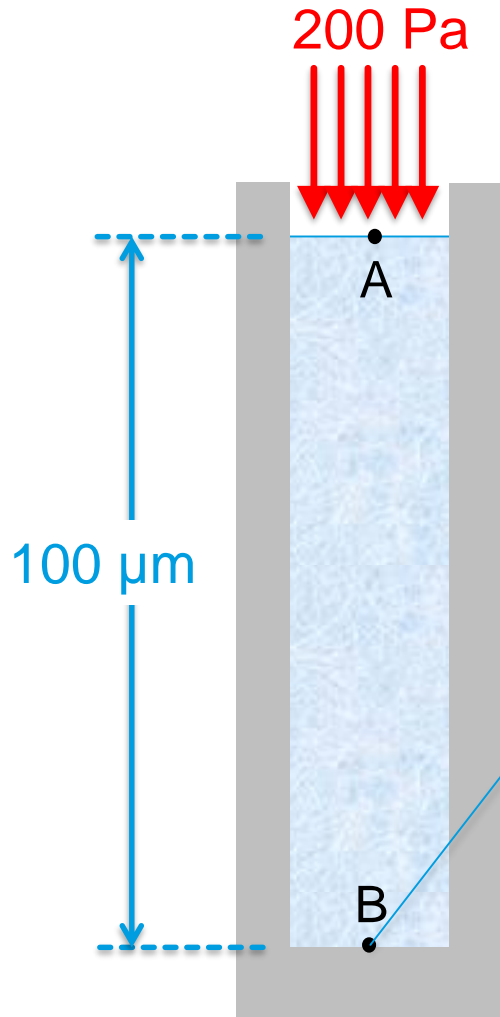
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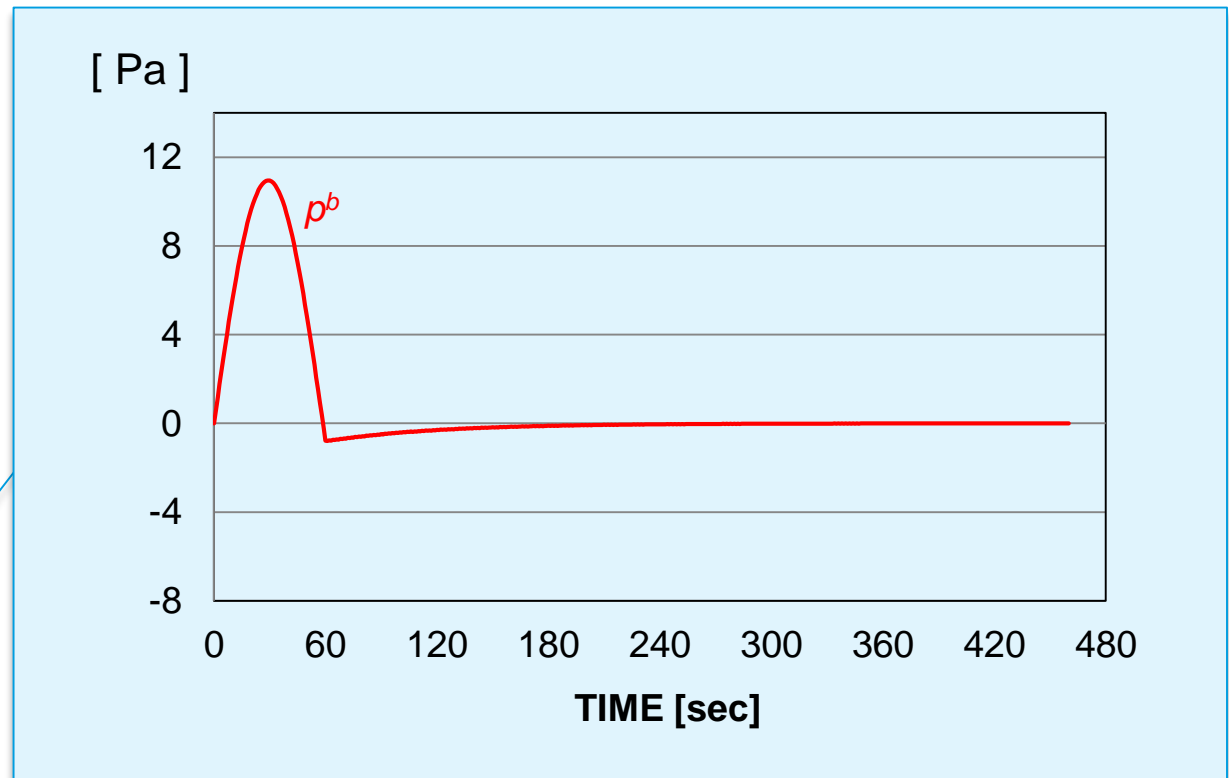
POINT B –  $p^f$  AND  $p^b$  VERSUS TIME



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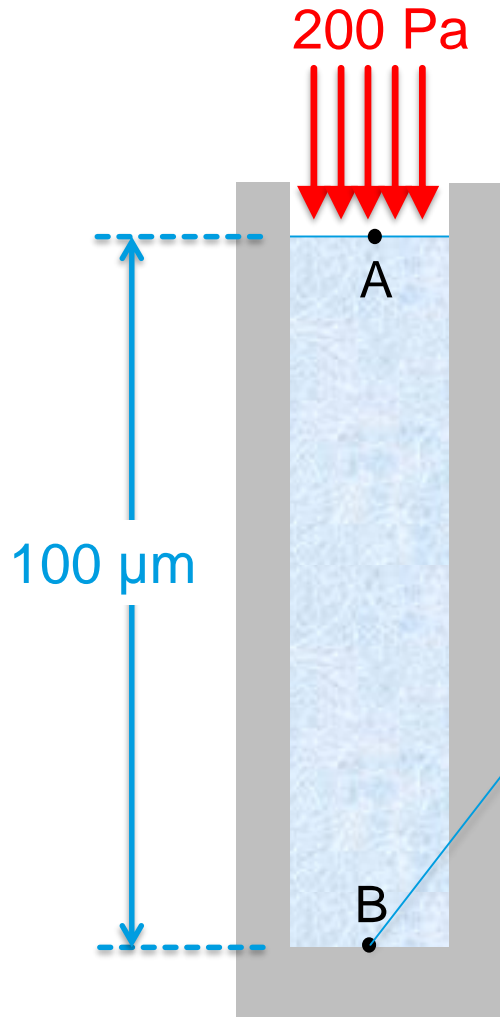


POINT B – zoom  $p^b$  VERSUS TIME

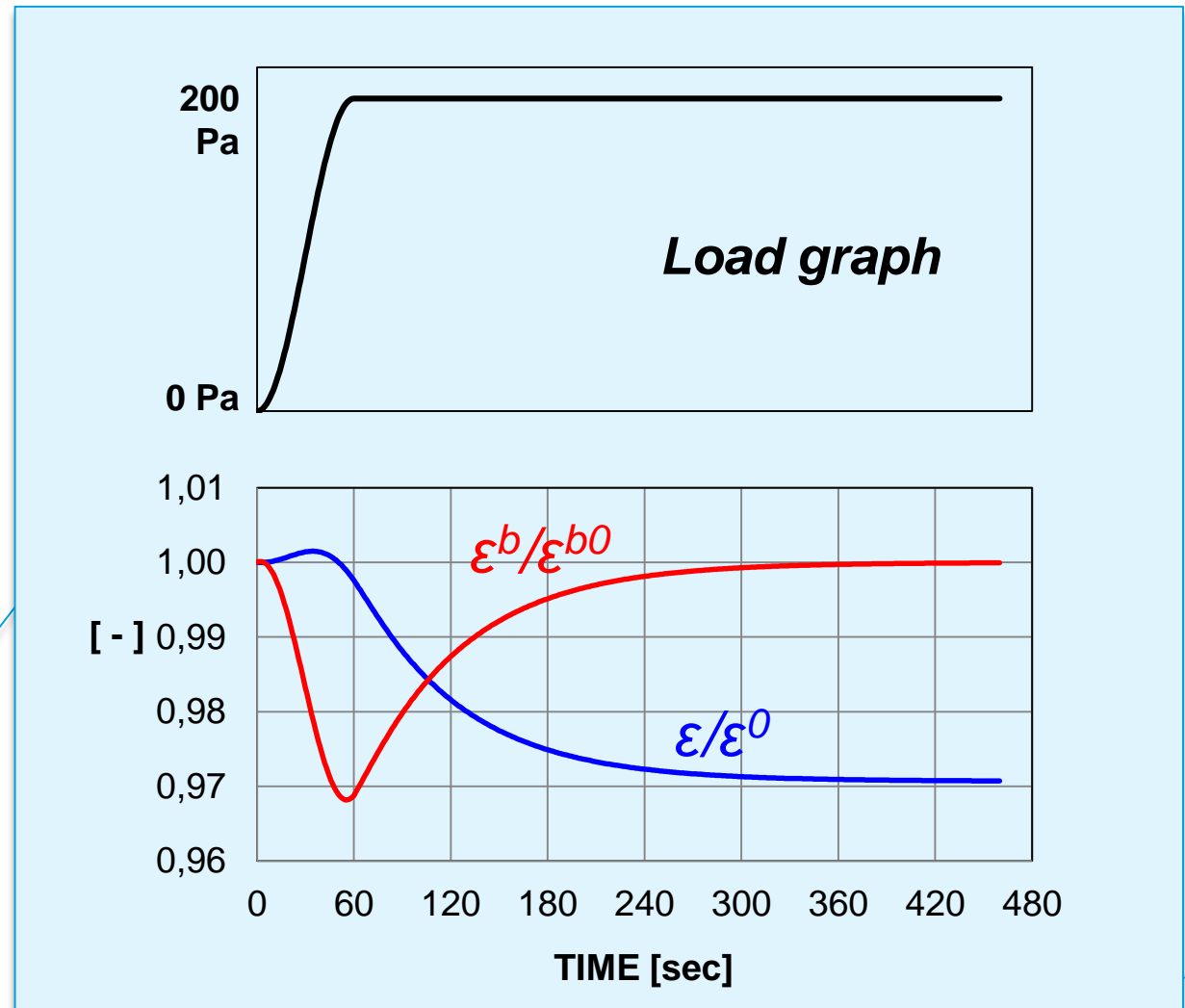




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POINT B – NORMALIZED POROSITIES *VERSUS* TIME



# Mechanical model for the solid scaffold

Hence **the stress-strain constitutive law reads**

$$\dot{\mathbf{t}}^{\overline{\overline{\text{T}}}} = \mathbf{C}_{ECM} : (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{d}_{sw})$$

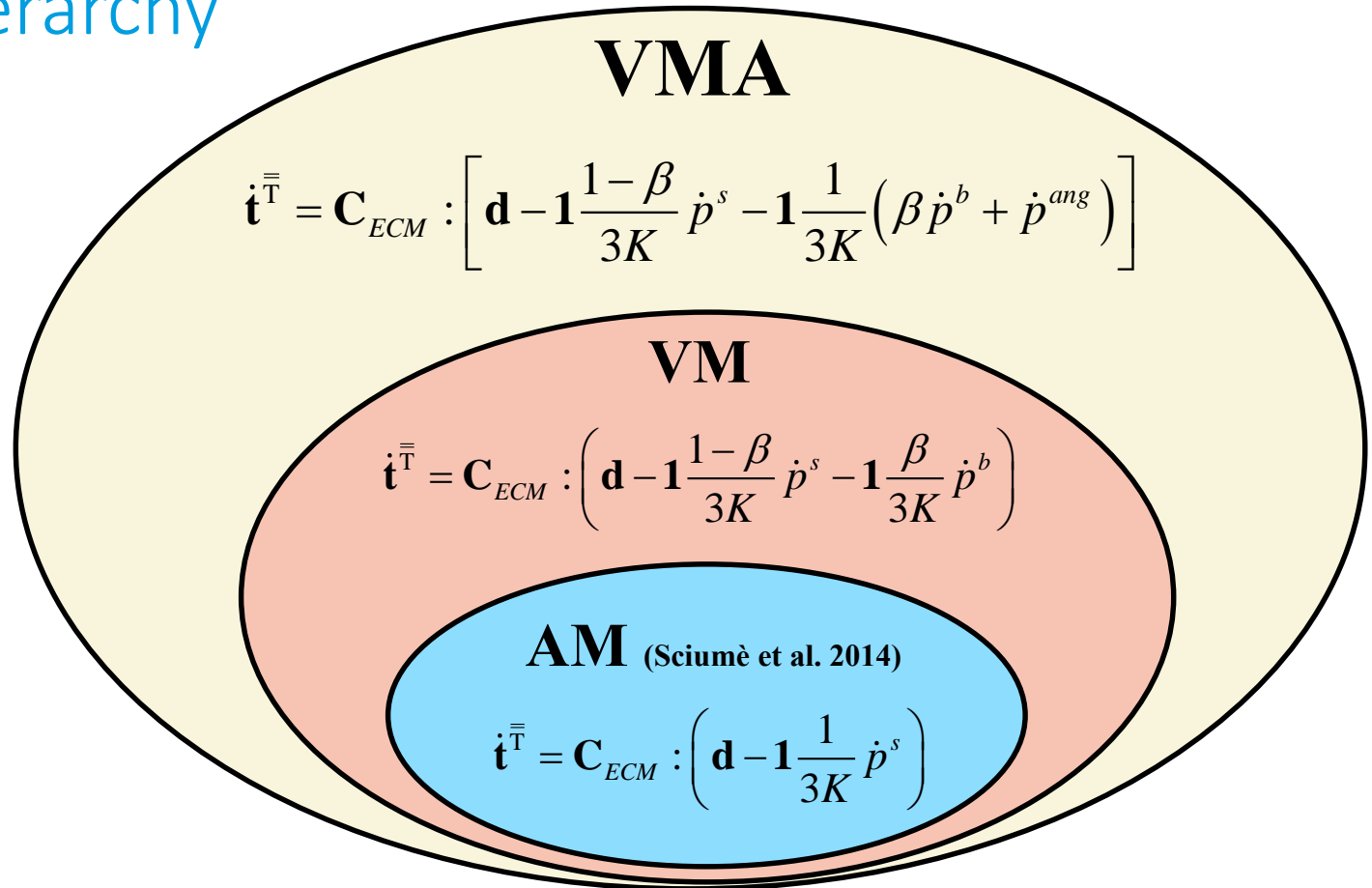
$$\beta = \varepsilon_0^b (1 + \alpha \Gamma) \left( 1 - 2 \frac{p^s - p^b}{K^{vess}} \right)$$

$$\dot{p}^{ang} = -\varepsilon_0^b \alpha (p^s - p^b) \left( 1 - \frac{p^s - p^b}{K^{vess}} \right) \dot{\Gamma}$$

with: 
$$\mathbf{d}_{sw} = \mathbf{1} \frac{1 - \beta}{3K} \dot{p}^s + \frac{1}{3K} \mathbf{1} (\beta \dot{p}^b + \dot{p}^{ang})$$

**Vascular model with angiogenesis (VMA)**

# Models hierarchy



## Reduced models:

- **Vascular model without angiogenesis (VM):**  $\beta = \varepsilon_0^b \left( 1 - 2 \frac{p^s - p^b}{K^{vess}} \right) \quad \dot{p}^{ang} = 0$
- **Avascular model (AM):**  $\beta = 0 \quad \dot{p}^{ang} = 0$

# Final system of eqs

Primary variables:

$p^{th}$   $p^{hl}$   $p^l$   $p^b$   $\omega^{nl}$   $\omega^{TAFI}$   $\omega^{ECh}$   $\mathbf{u}_s$

## Computational procedure

- ❖ Mass conservation equation of ...
- ❖ Mass conservation equation of ...
- ❖ Mass conservation equation of ...
- ❖ Mass conservation equation of TUMOR CELLS

Primary variables:

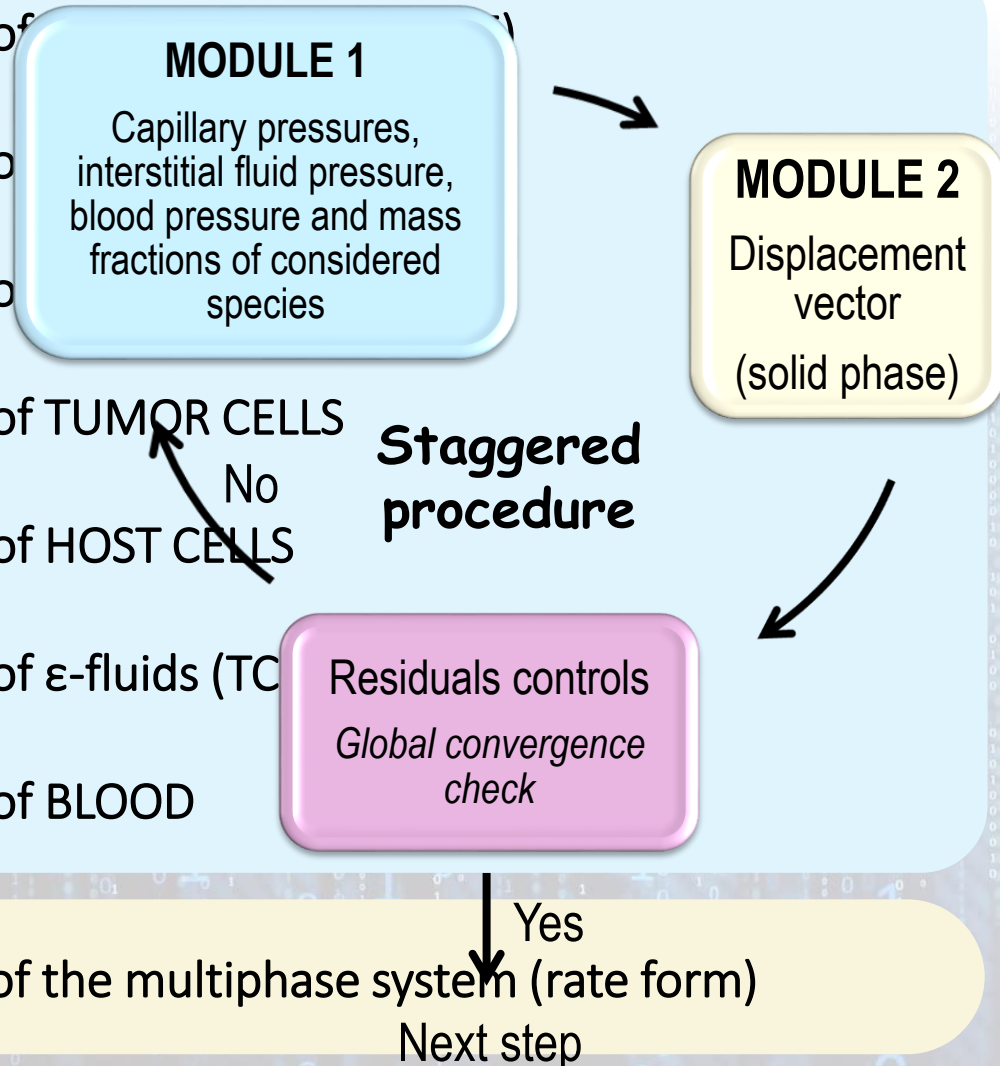
$p^{th}$   $p^{hl}$   $p^l$   $p^b$   $\omega^{nl}$   $\omega^{TAFI}$   $\omega^{ECh}$   $\mathbf{u}_s$

Discretization:

FE in space and FD in time

Mathematical model implemented in  
**Cast3M (FE code of the CEA)**

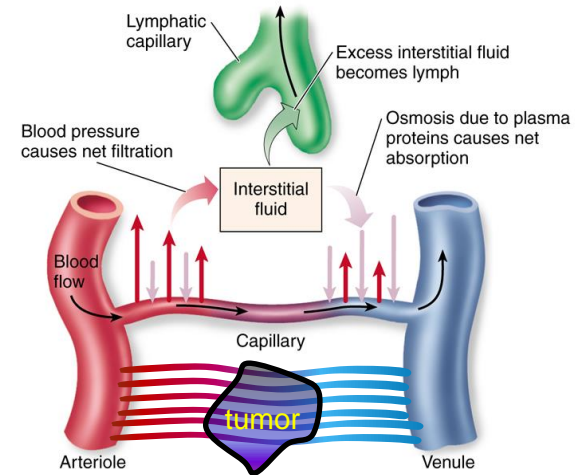
- ❖ Linear momentum equation of the multiphase system (rate form)



# Angiogenesis

- Modeled phenomena and numerical results

# Angiogenesis: TAF release $\rightarrow$ ECh production $\rightarrow$ vessel formation d $\Gamma$

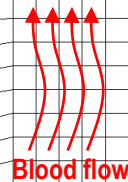


Source: [www.bio.utexas.edu](http://www.bio.utexas.edu)

$Z$  (axial symmetry axis)

Venules bed

Initial spheroid  
 $R_{tum} = 30 \mu\text{m}$



$h = 800 \mu\text{m}$

$R_{ext} = 2000 \mu\text{m}$

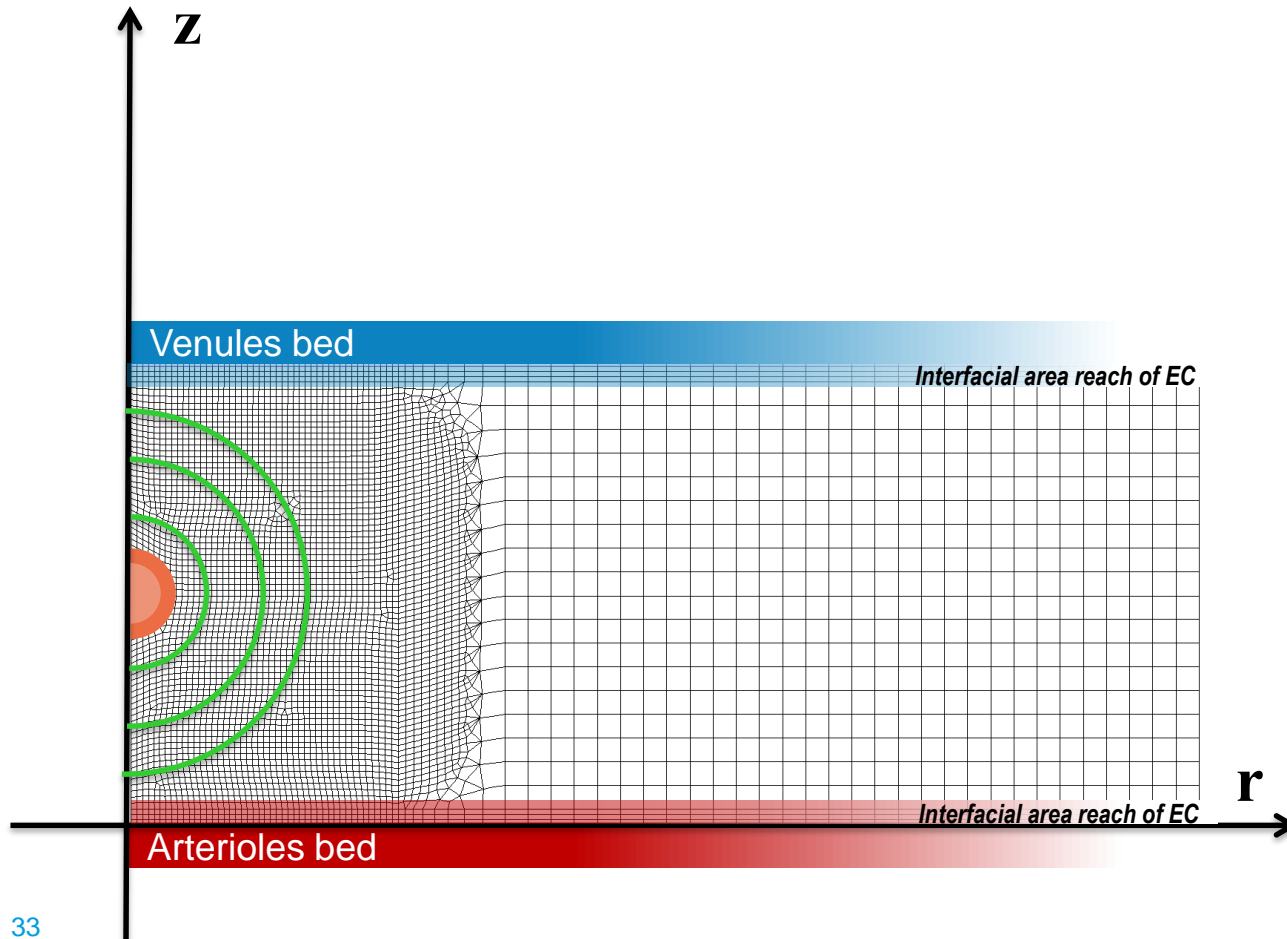
$r$

Arterioles bed

# Angiogenesis: TAF release $\rightarrow$ ECh production $\rightarrow$ vessel formation d $\Gamma$

TAF release

$$\frac{D^s(\rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{TAFI}})}{Dt} + \nabla \cdot (\rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{TAFI}} \mathbf{v}^s) + \nabla \cdot (\rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{TAFI}} \mathbf{u}^{\overline{OXYI}}) + \rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{TAFI}} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^s = \overset{t \rightarrow TAFI}{M}$$



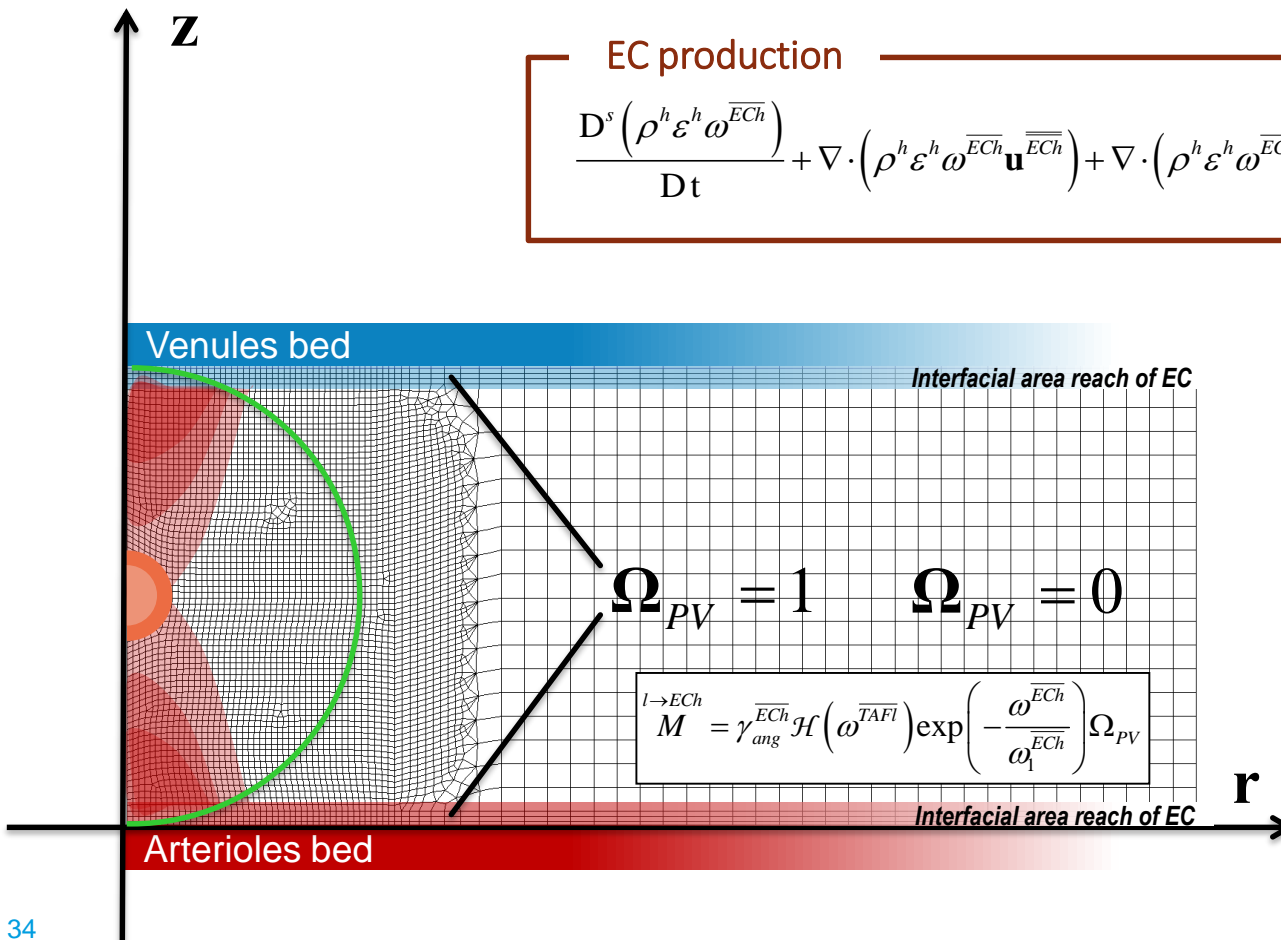
# Angiogenesis: TAF release $\rightarrow$ ECh production $\rightarrow$ vessel formation dΓ

## TAF release

$$\frac{D^s(\rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{TAFI}})}{Dt} + \nabla \cdot (\rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{TAFI}} \mathbf{v}^{\overline{ls}}) + \nabla \cdot (\rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{TAFI}} \mathbf{u}^{\overline{OXYI}}) + \rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{TAFI}} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^{\overline{s}} = \overset{l \rightarrow TAFI}{M}$$

## EC production

$$\frac{D^s(\rho^h \varepsilon^h \omega^{\overline{ECh}})}{Dt} + \nabla \cdot (\rho^h \varepsilon^h \omega^{\overline{ECh}} \mathbf{u}^{\overline{ECh}}) + \nabla \cdot (\rho^h \varepsilon^h \omega^{\overline{ECh}} \mathbf{v}^{\overline{hs}}) + \rho^h \varepsilon^h \omega^{\overline{ECh}} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^{\overline{s}} = \overset{l \rightarrow ECh}{M} - \overset{ECh \rightarrow s}{M}_{ang}$$





# Angiogenesis: TAF release $\rightarrow$ ECh production $\rightarrow$ vessel formation $d\Gamma$

## TAF release

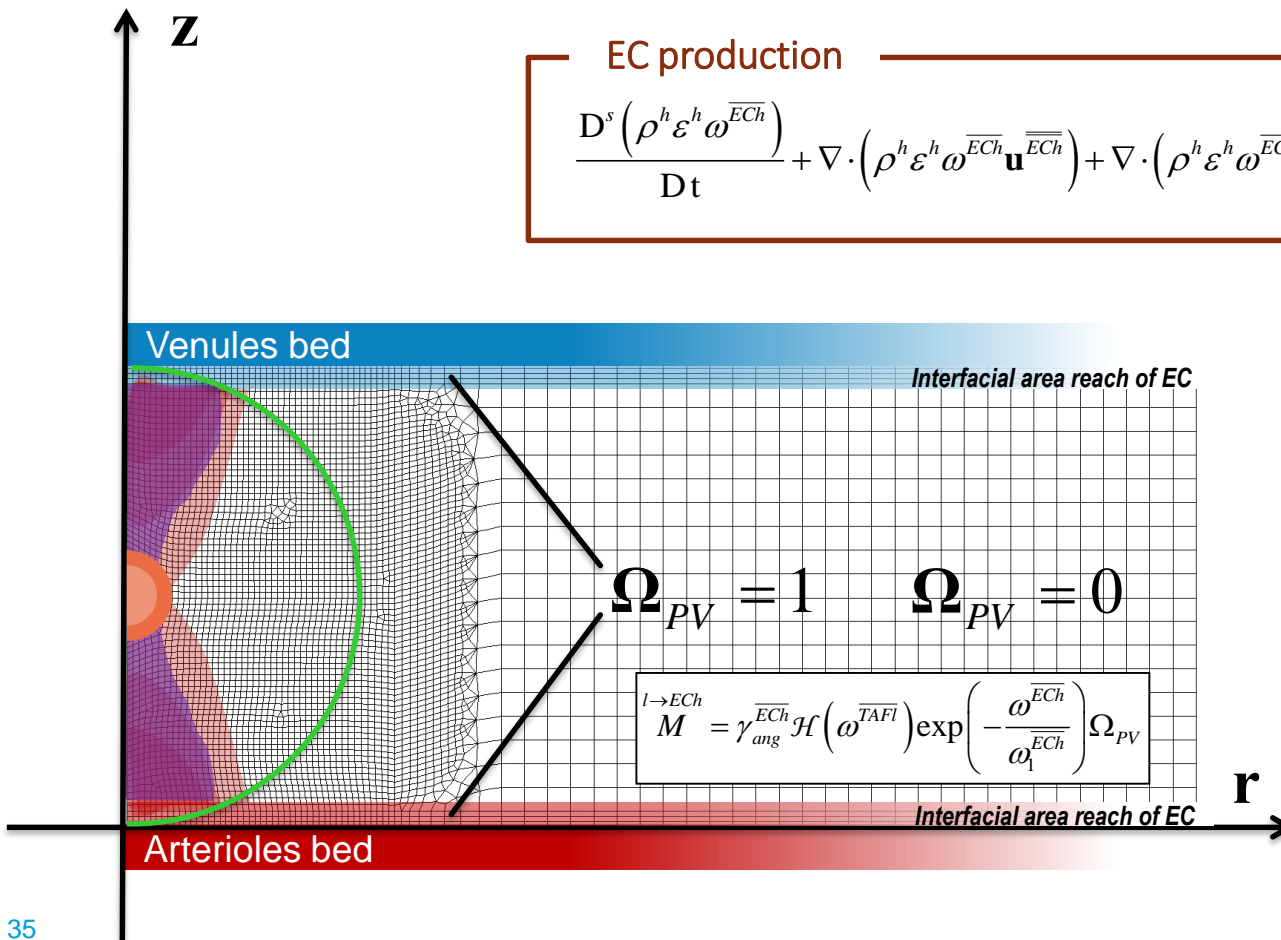
$$\frac{D^s \left( \rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{TAF}l} \right)}{Dt} + \nabla \cdot \left( \rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{TAF}l} \mathbf{v}^{\overline{ls}} \right) + \nabla \cdot \left( \rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{TAF}l} \mathbf{u}^{\overline{OXY}l} \right) + \rho^l \varepsilon^l \omega^{\overline{TAF}l} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^{\overline{s}} = \overset{l \rightarrow TAF^l}{M}$$

## EC production

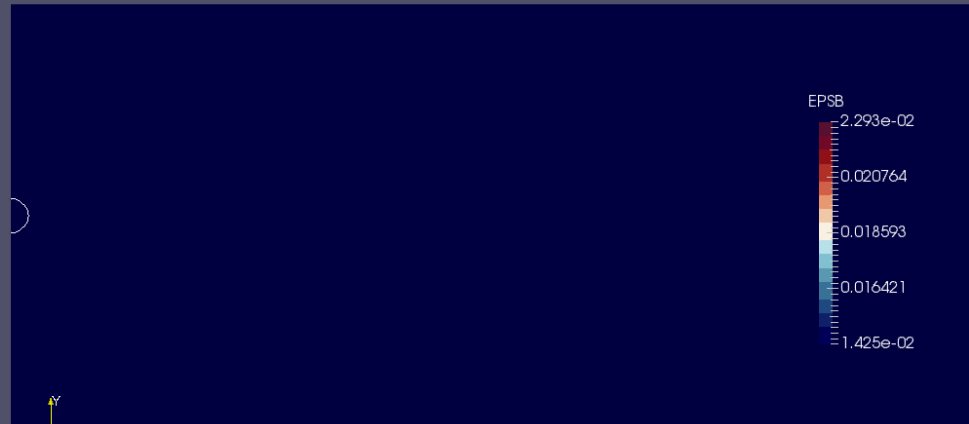
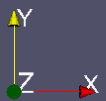
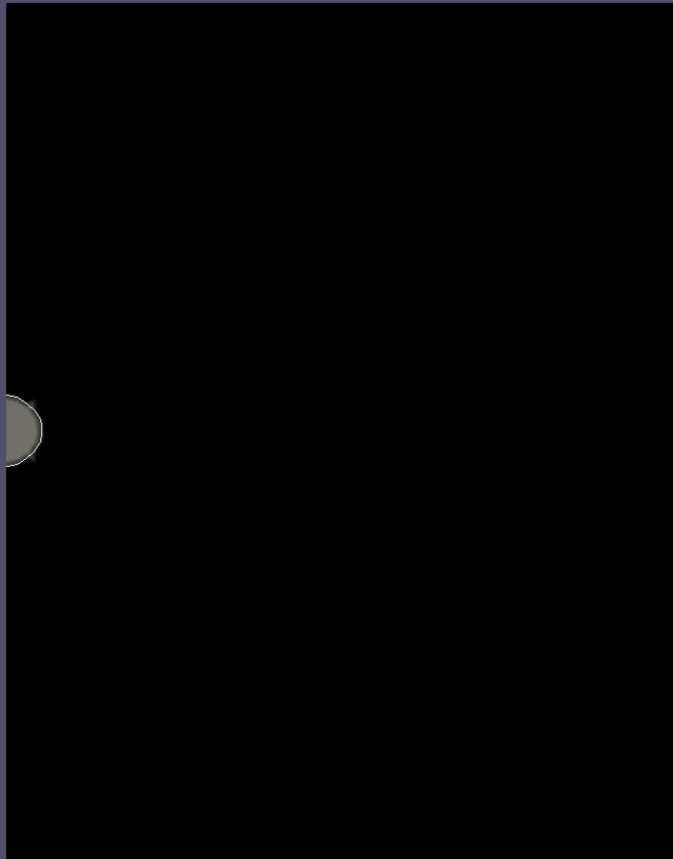
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## Vessel maturation

$$\frac{D^s \Gamma}{Dt} = A(\Gamma) \mathcal{H} \left( \varepsilon^h \omega^{\overline{ECh}} \right)$$



# Angiogenesis: TAF release $\rightarrow$ ECh production $\rightarrow$ vessel formation d $\Gamma$



# Computational Algorithm

## 1<sup>st</sup> level procedure (called in .dgibi)

### \$\$\$\$ PASAPAS (ORIGINAL V2016)

```
'DEBPROC' PASAPAS PRECED*'TABLE';  
[...]  
Line 132: 'REPETER' BEXTERN; (boucle sur pas de temps)  
[...]  
Line 197: 'REPETER' BO_BOTH; (boucle couplage)  
[...]  
# CALCUL THERMIQUE  
Line 238: CHTER = TRANSNON PRECED;  
Line 269: REEV_THE PRECED 1 ;  
[...]  
# CALCUL MECANIQUE  
Line 310: TT = UNPAS PRECED;  
Line 354: REEV_MEC PRECED 1;  
[...]  
# Test de la convergence méca-thermique !  
[...]  
Line 411: 'FIN' BO_BOTH ;  
[...]  
PRECED.'PERSON1_APPEL' = 2 ;  
PERSON1 PRECED;  
[...]  
Line 703: 'FIN' BEXTERN;  
[...]  
'FINPROC' PRECED ;
```

## 2<sup>nd</sup> level procedure (called by pasaps)

### \$\$\$\$ TRANSNON (ORIGINAL V2016)

- CALL @MATETHM (update necrosis,  $\varepsilon$ ,  $\varepsilon^b$ ,  $\mathbf{d}_{sw}$ ,  $K_{ij}$ ,  $C_{ij}$  and  $f_i$ )
- COMPUTE SOLUTION FOR PRESSURE AND MASS FRACTIONS

### \$\$\$\$ REEV\_THE (PERSONAL PROCEDURE)

- CALL @MATETHM (update necrosis,  $\varepsilon$ ,  $\varepsilon^b$ ,  $\mathbf{d}_{sw}$ ,  $K_{ij}$ ,  $C_{ij}$  and  $f_i$ )
- UPDATE of PRECED . 'ETAT2'
- PROVIDES SWELLING STRAIN RATE,  $\mathbf{d}_{sw}$ , to the mechanical part

### \$\$\$\$ UNPAS (ORIGINAL V2016)

COMPUTING OF THE DIPLACEMENT VECTOR  $\mathbf{u}^s$

### \$\$\$\$ REEV\_MEC (PERSONAL PROCEDURE)

COMPUTING OF  $\text{div}(\mathbf{v}^s)$ , THIS TERM IS NEEDED BY TRANSNON

### \$\$\$\$ PERSON1 (PERSONAL PROCEDURE)

- UPDATE THE STATE VARIABLE VECTOR
- PREPARE THE NEXT TIME STEP: PRECED.ETAT1 = PRECED.ETAT2;

# Computational Algorithm: @MATETHM

## 3<sup>rd</sup> level procedure

```
$$$$ @MATETHM (PERSONAL PROCEDURE)

'DEBPROC' @MATETHM MOD_THM*'MMODEL' THPC_W*'CHPOINT';
[...]

'REPETER' BZ_THM nzone; (boucle THM-zones)

[...]

    Call of material parameters
    Call of primary variables
    Computing of dependent variables

[...]

    (1) Update of angiogenesis;

    (2) Update of porosity;

    (3) Update of necrosis;

    (4) Update THERMOHYDRIQUE material;
        (3.a) computing of swelling strain  $d_{sw}$ 
        (3.b) computing of  $K_{ij}$ ,  $C_{ij}$ ,  $f_i$  for phases' flow

    (5) Update DIFFUSION material;
        (4.a)  $K_{ij}$ ,  $C_{ij}$ ,  $f_i$  for oxygen advection-diffusion
        (4.b)  $K_{ij}$ ,  $C_{ij}$ ,  $f_i$  for TAF advection-diffusion
        (4.c)  $K_{ij}$ ,  $C_{ij}$ ,  $f_i$  for EC advection-diffusion
        (4.d)  $K_{ij}$ , for the blood flow model

[...]

'FIN' BZ_THM;

[...]

'FINP' MAT1 F0;
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## 2<sup>nd</sup> level procedure (called by pasaps)

### \$\$\$\$ TRANSNON (ORIGINAL V2016)

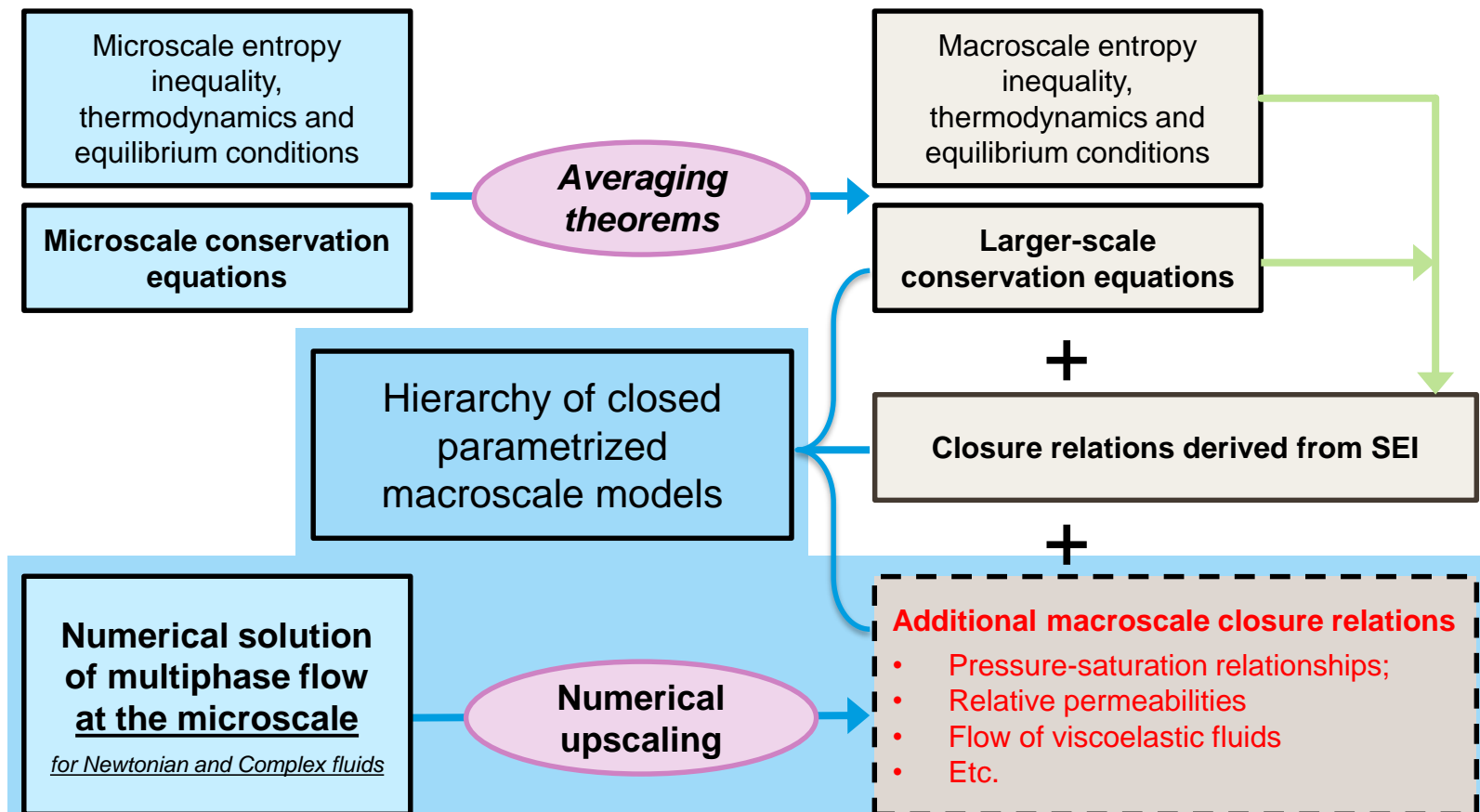
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# Micro- Macro- Description in Averaging Theories

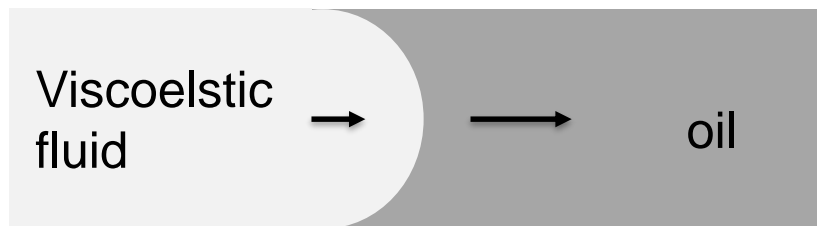
## Thermodynamically Constrained Averaging Theory (TCAT)



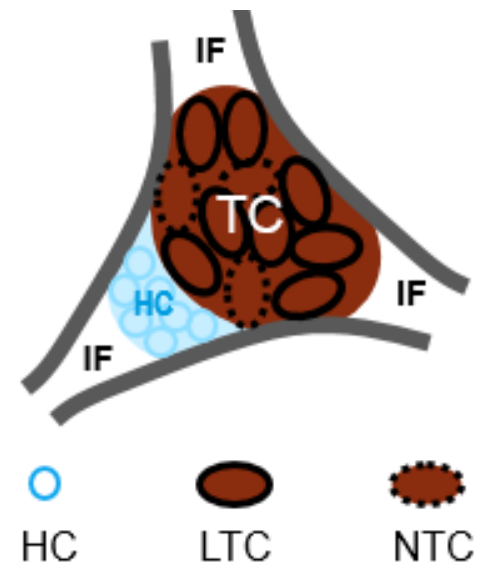
Vincent Le Maout PhD Thesis

## Aim of the research project

Simulate **microscale multiphase flows** in **porous media** in order to provide **closure relation** to macroscale model or **micro-relevant equations** for volume-averaging method. The target applications deal with the fields of **petroleum engineering** and **biomechanics area**.



Pore-scale flow for enhanced oil recovery simulation



Micro model for biological multiphase flow  
Source Giuseppe Sciume ALERT Workshop

# Multiphasic Flow Simulation

## Diffuse interface model

The **description** of the interface's motion is taken into account by the **Cahn-Hilliard** model [1].

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla C - \frac{1}{\text{Pe}} \nabla \cdot (M \nabla \psi) = 0$$
$$\psi = -\lambda \Delta C + \beta \phi'(c)$$

The **Phase-Field model** ensures the **continuity** of the fluid properties through the interface. The interface thickness is controlled by the parameter  $\varepsilon$

$$\varepsilon = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{\beta}}$$

[1] Faruk O. Alpak, Beatrice Riviere and Florian Frank. *A phase-field method for direct simulation of two-phase flows in pore-scale media using a non-equilibrium wetting boundary condition*. Comput. Geosci 2016

# Multiphasic Flow Simulation

## Flow dynamic model in a single pore

The **Cahn-Hilliard system** is coupled with the **Navier-Stokes equation** :

$$\bar{\rho} \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} = -\nabla p + \frac{1}{\text{Re}} \nabla \cdot \left[ \bar{\mu} (\nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla^t \mathbf{u}) \right] + \bar{f}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

 coupling term

$\bar{f}$  accounts for the **capillarity forces** between the phases [1]

$$\bar{f} = \frac{\psi \nabla C}{\text{Ca Re}}$$



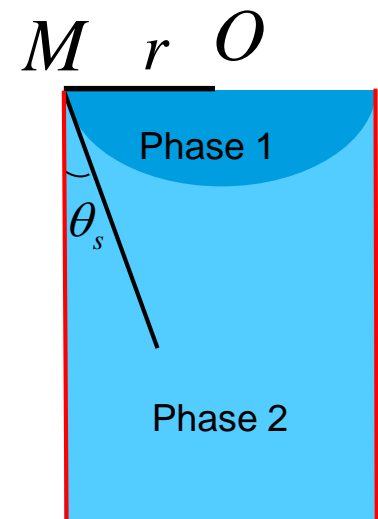
# Multiphasic Flow Simulation

## Dynamic boundary conditions for the interface

No flux conditions do not take into account the **wettability** of the solid scaffold. On solid walls, conditions are imposed such as it corresponds to **realistic interface behavior**

$$\frac{\partial \mu}{\partial n} = 0 \text{ sur } \partial \Omega$$

$$\vec{n} \cdot \nabla C = -\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_s\right) \left| \vec{t} \cdot \nabla C \right| + \kappa \frac{\partial C}{\partial t} \text{ sur } \partial \Omega$$

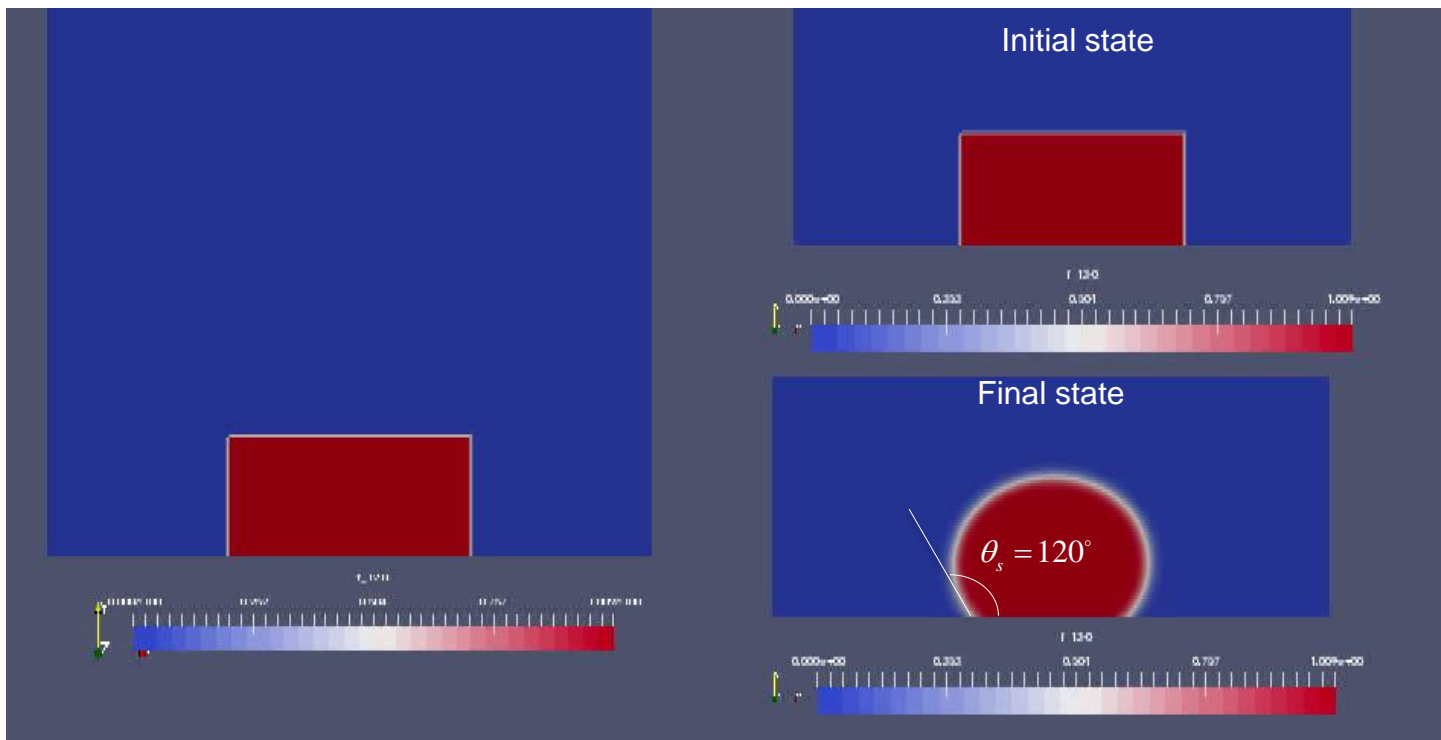


Static angle equilibrium condition at common point

# Multiphasic Flow Simulation

## Numerical results

Even if the full-coupled Cahn-Hilliard/Navier-Stokes model is **not completely validated** yet, **some interesting results** has been **obtained** with the Fenics Software:



# Conclusion

- The Cahn-Hilliard model has been successfully implemented, either with no flux or dynamic angle boundary conditions;
- The Navier-Stokes/Cahn-Hilliard system is implemented and is being validated;

## Next steps

- Migrate the code currently under fenics to Castem for compatibility;
- Compute and test upscaling methods for macroscale model ;
- More complex geometry will be tested in order to study the robustness of the NSCH system;