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Medical imaging and numerical meshing



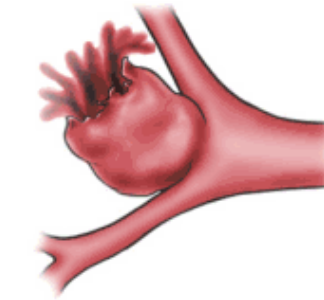
Outline

- CFD for blood flow?
- Applications?
- 1D simulations
 - Mathematical methods
- 3D simulations
 - Numerical meshing.
 - Simulation methodology

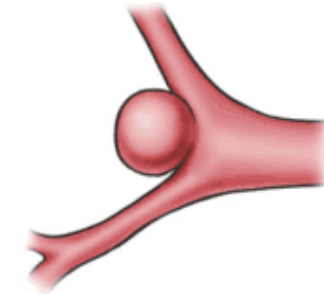


CFD in Hemodynamics

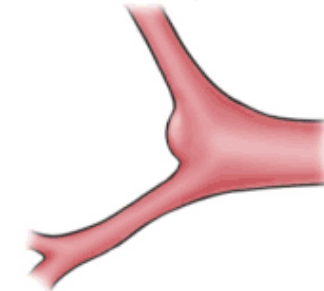
- Research
 - Physics of disease
 - the disease pathogenesis (development)
- Treatment
 - Suggestion for devices
 - Follow up (longitudinal studies)



Growth & rupture



Development

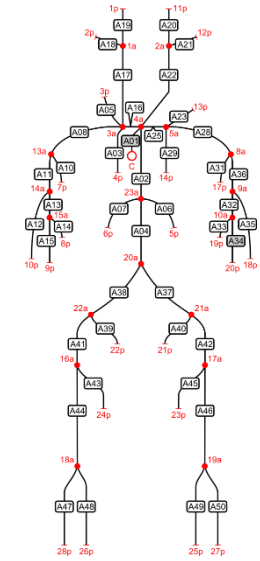
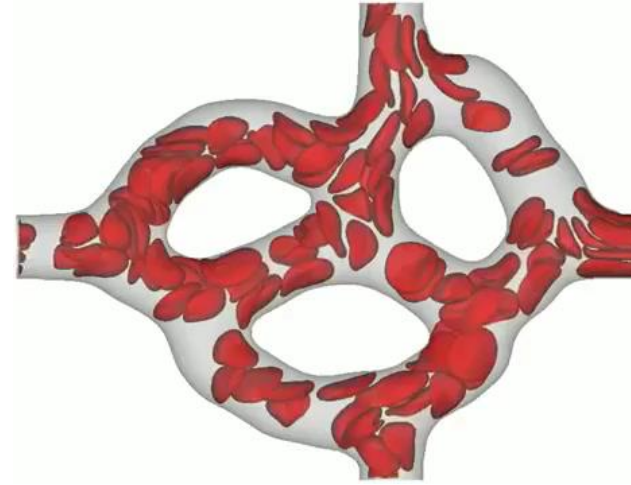
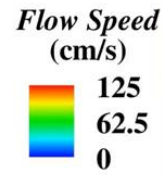
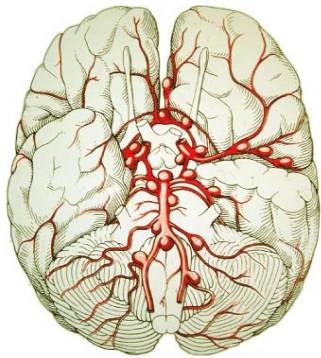


Keun-Hwa Jung et al. 2018 Neurointervention



Applications

- In arteriovenous system (usually 1D)
- In coronary arteries (mostly 3D)
 - Stenosis
 - Stenting
- In the aorta (3D)
 - Abdominal aneurysms
 - Aortic valves
 - Stent-grafts
- Blood cell dynamics

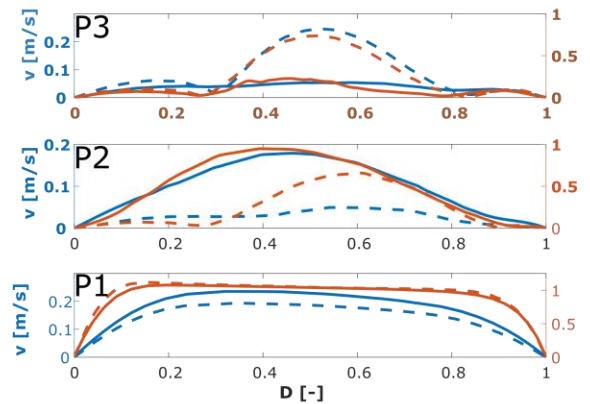
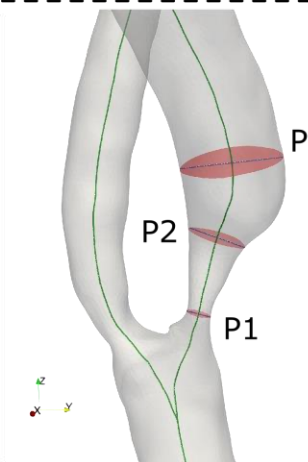
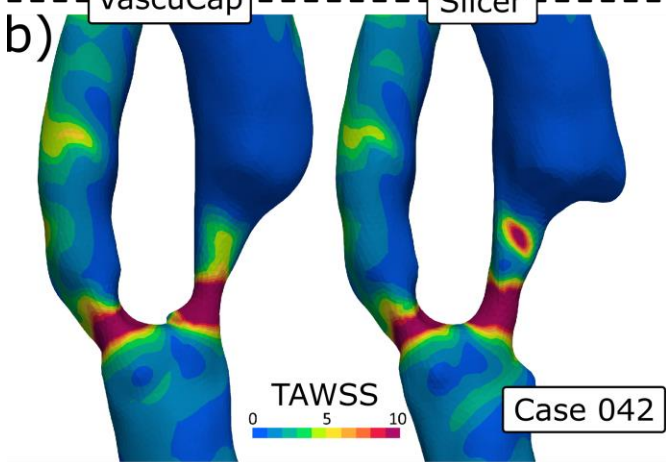
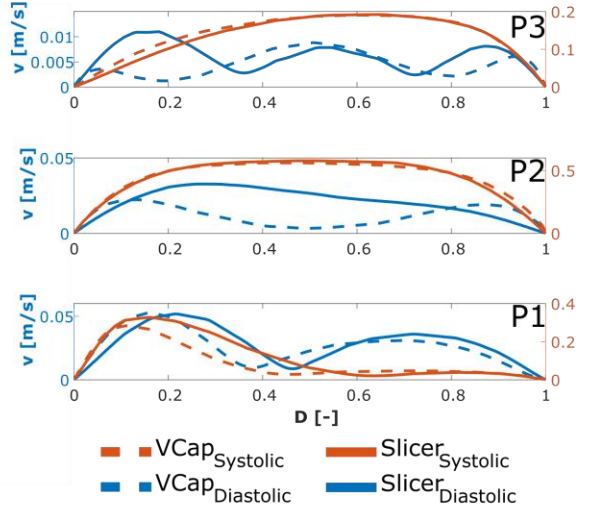
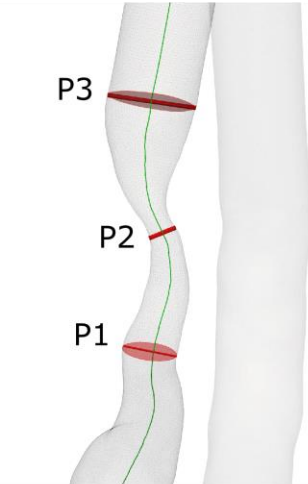
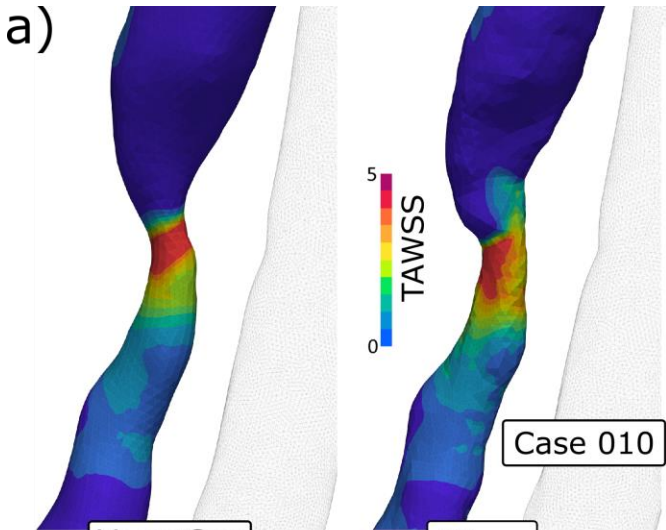


• Brain vessels

- Stenosis
- Aneurysms
 - Lateral or bifurcation
 - Rupture risk and initiation
- Treatment simulation
 - Coiling
 - Flow diverter stents

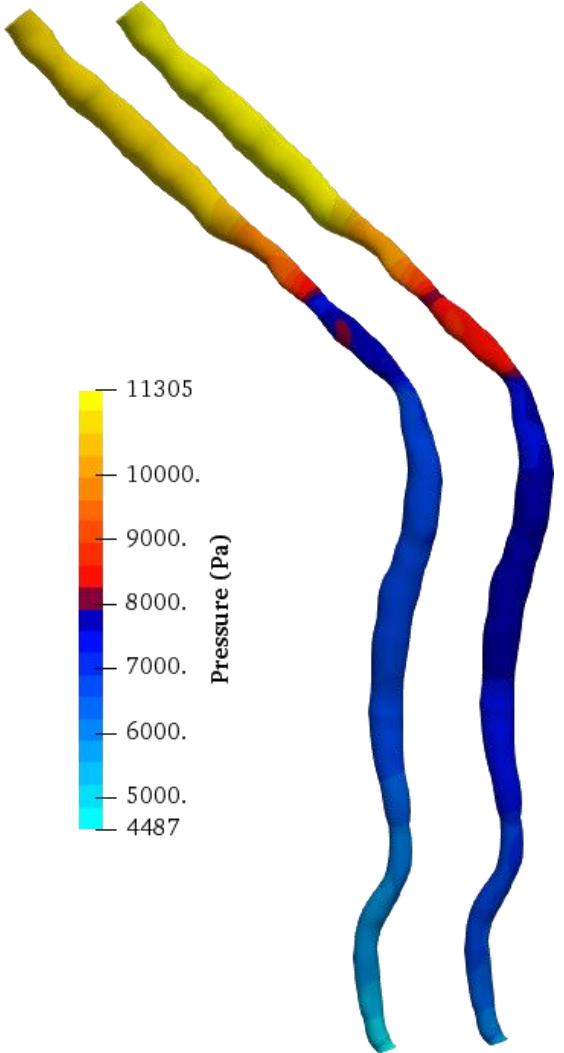
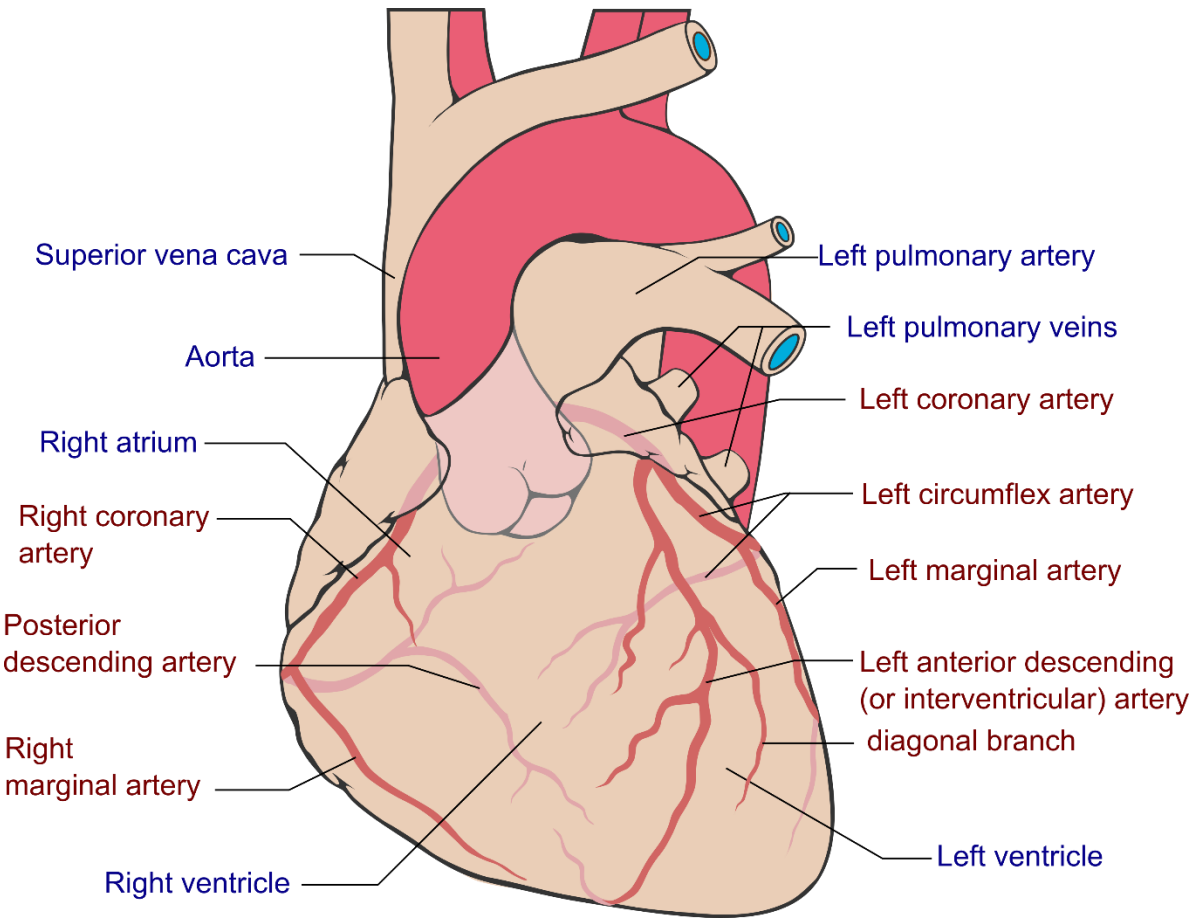
Carotid bifurcation

Time: 0.78

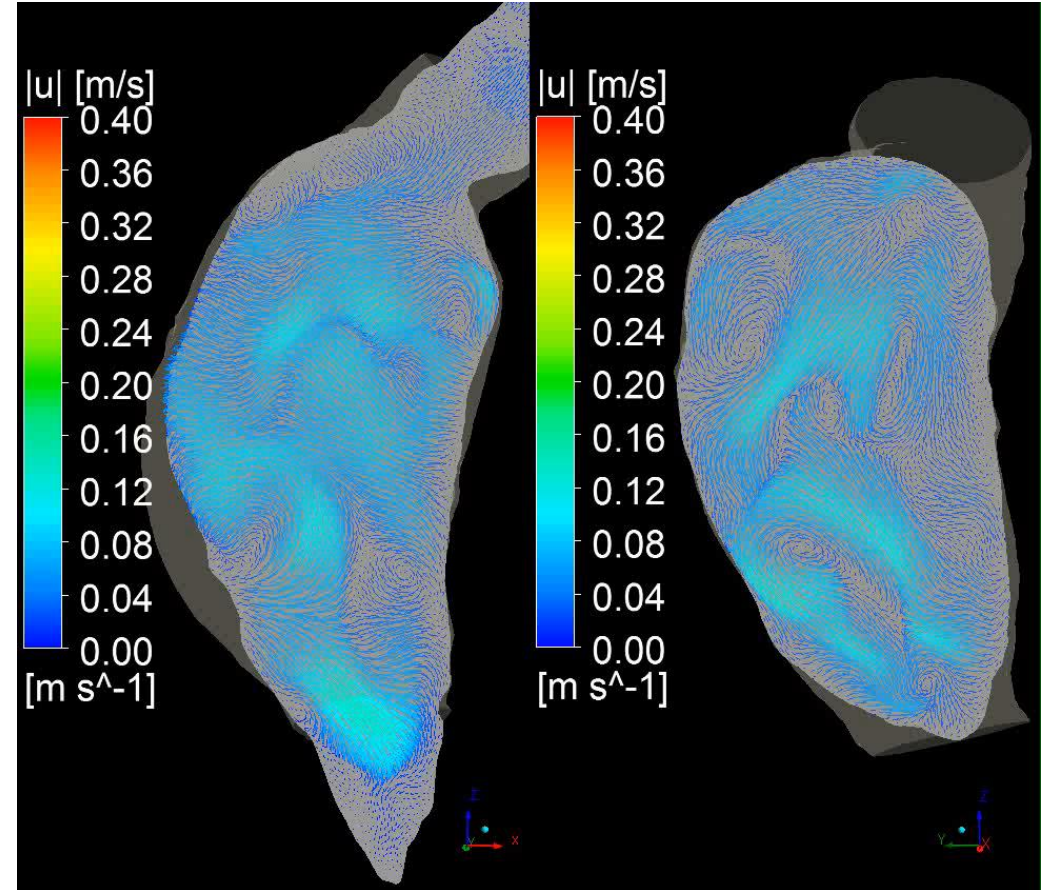
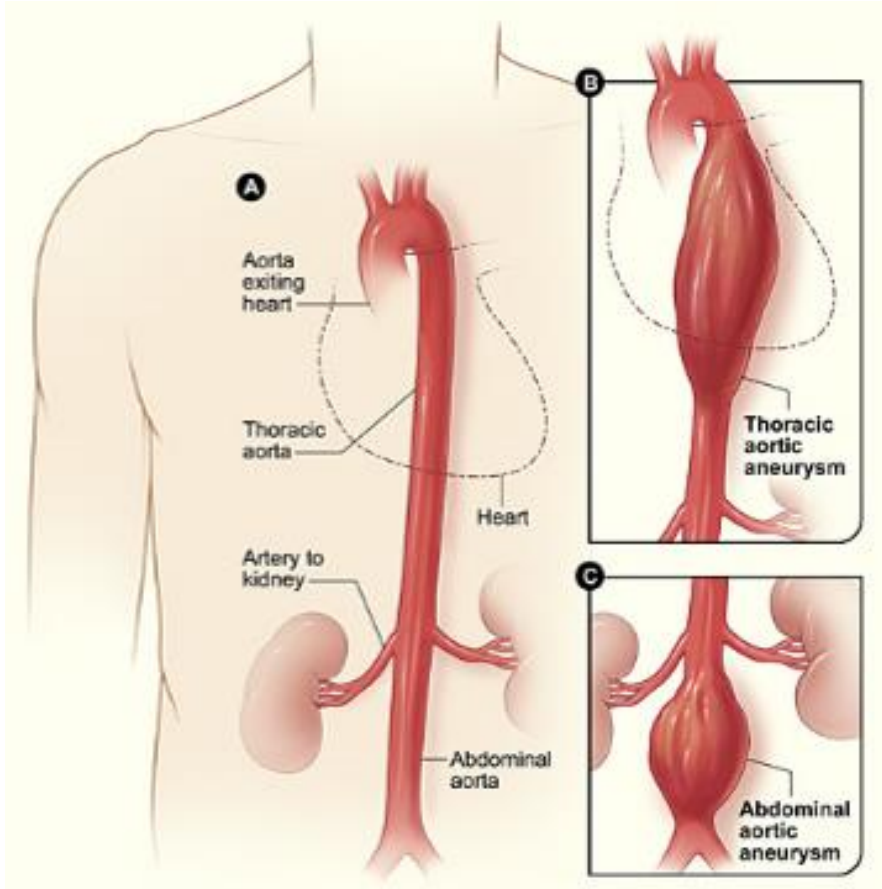




Coronary arteries

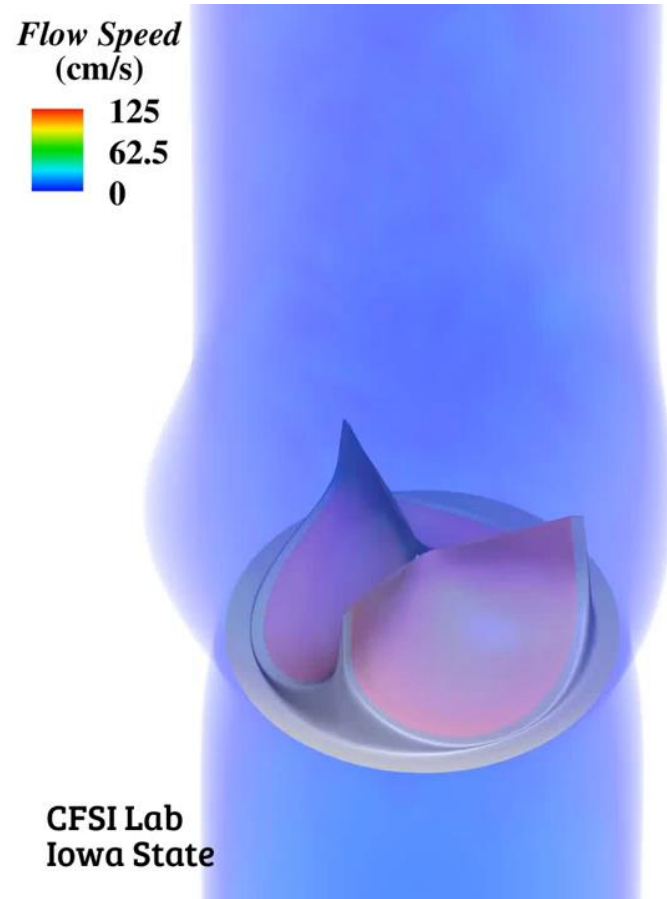


Abdominal aneurysms



Józsa et al. 2014 Journal of Heat and Fluid Flow

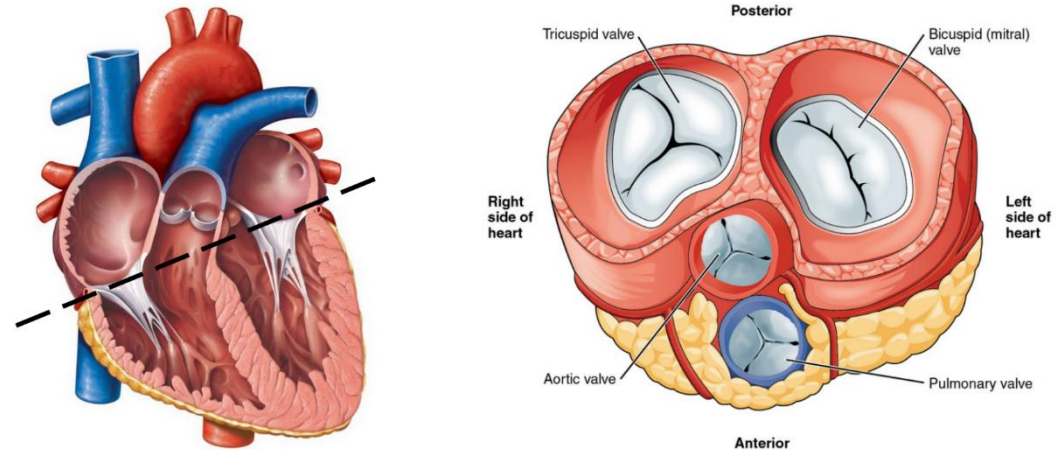
Aortic valves



Hsu, MC., Kamensky, D., Xu, F. et al. Comput Mech (2015)

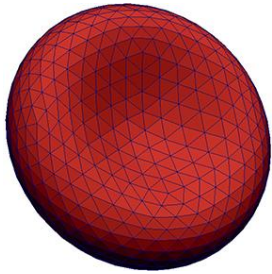
ImmersoGeometric method:

- Coupled Lagrangian and Eulerian modelling approach
- Nurbs based FEM solver for CFD
- Coupled Immerse boundary method



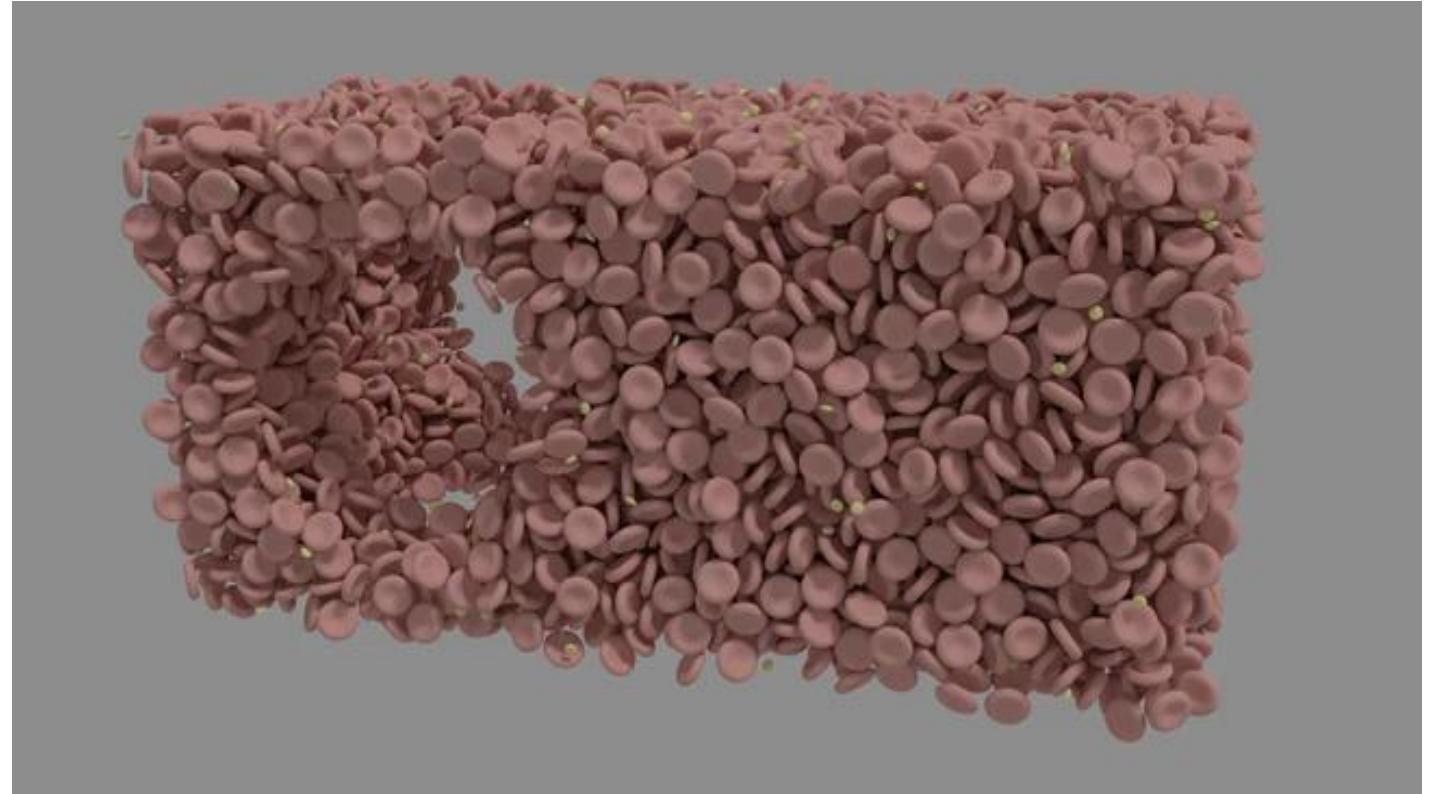
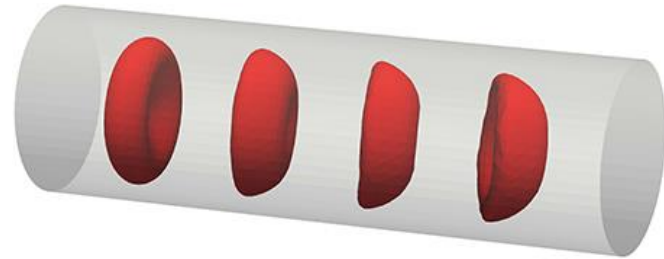


Blood cell dynamics



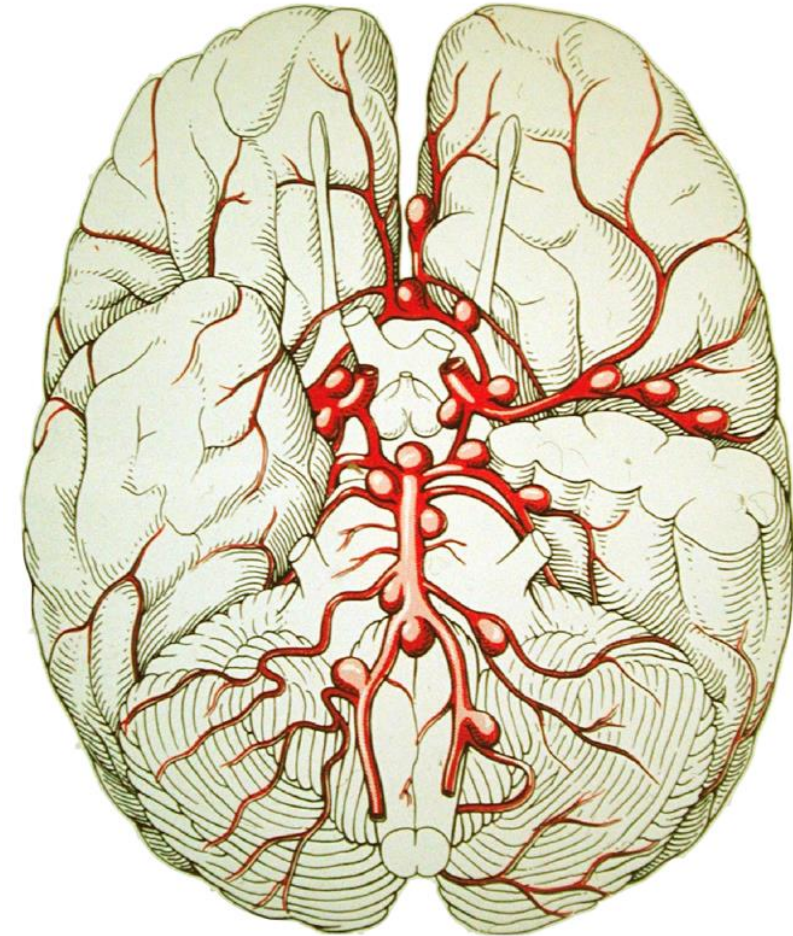
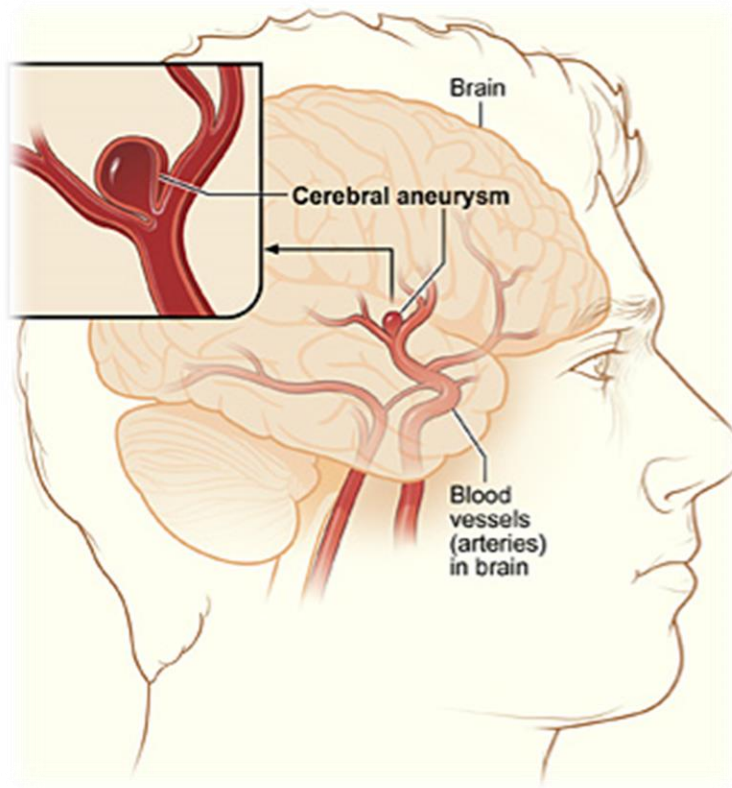
Red Blood Cell

Platelet



Zavodszky et al. Frontiers in physiology 2017

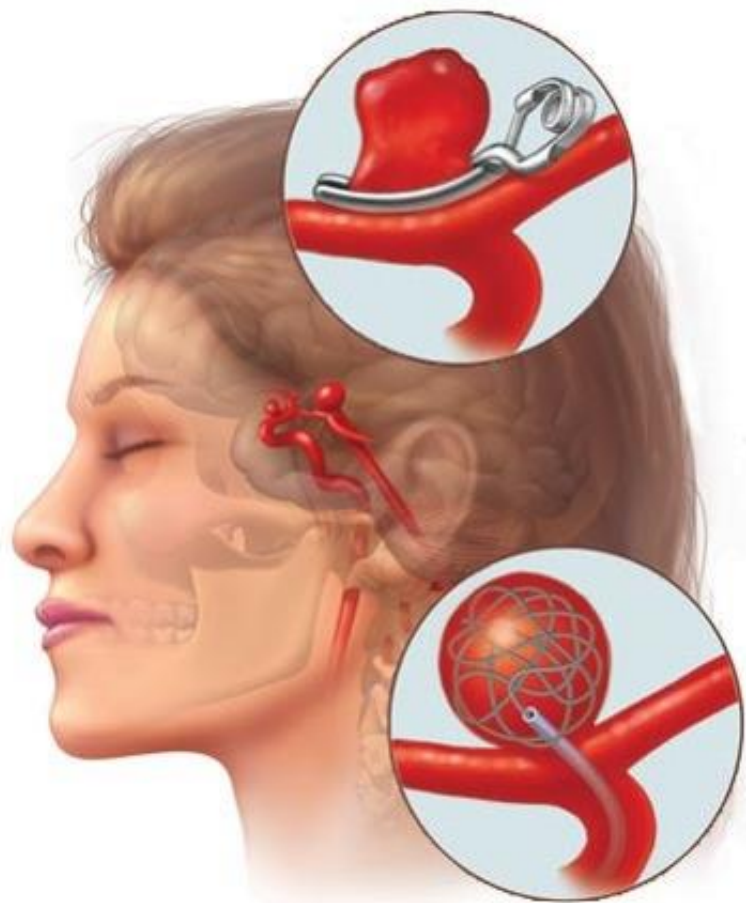
Brain aneurysms



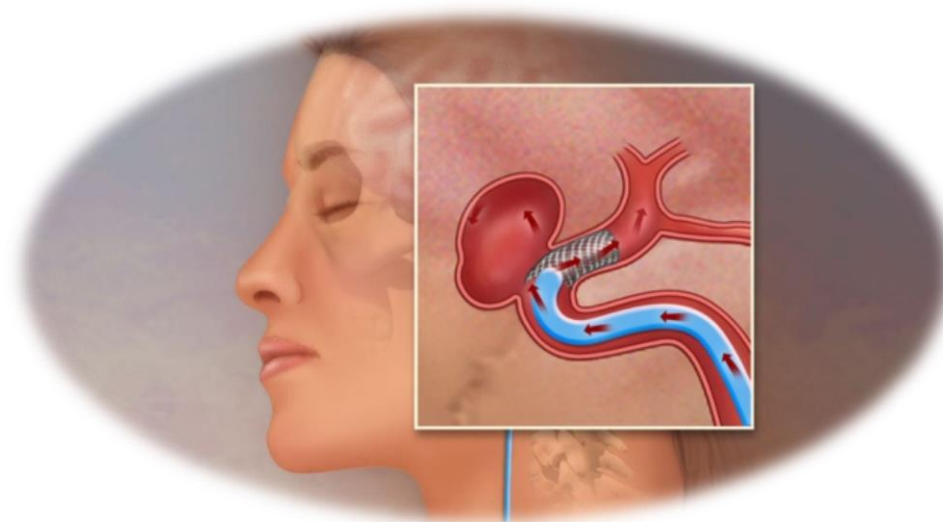
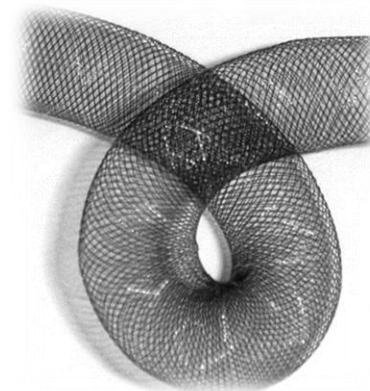


Treatments

Clips



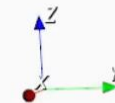
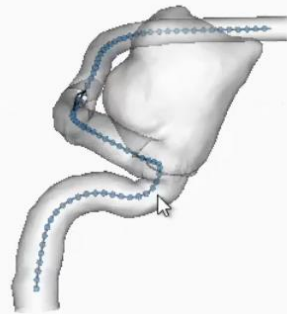
Flow diverter stent



Coil



Treatment analysis





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3D CFD simulations

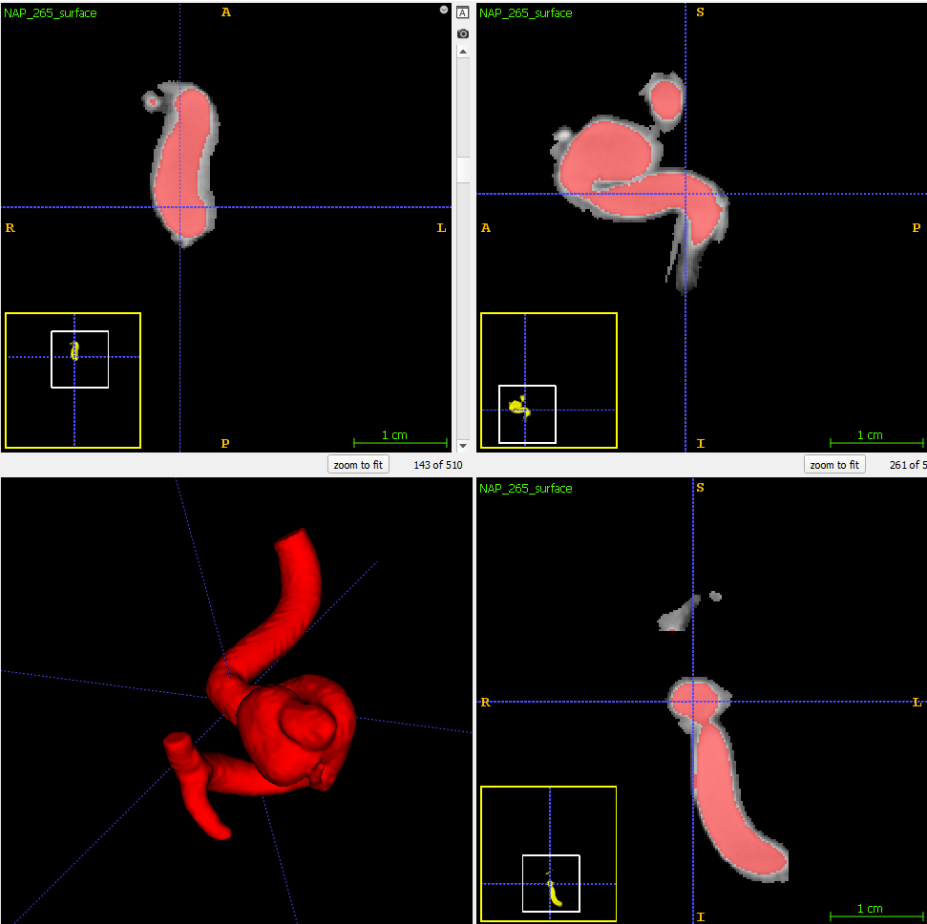


Pre-processing and simulation

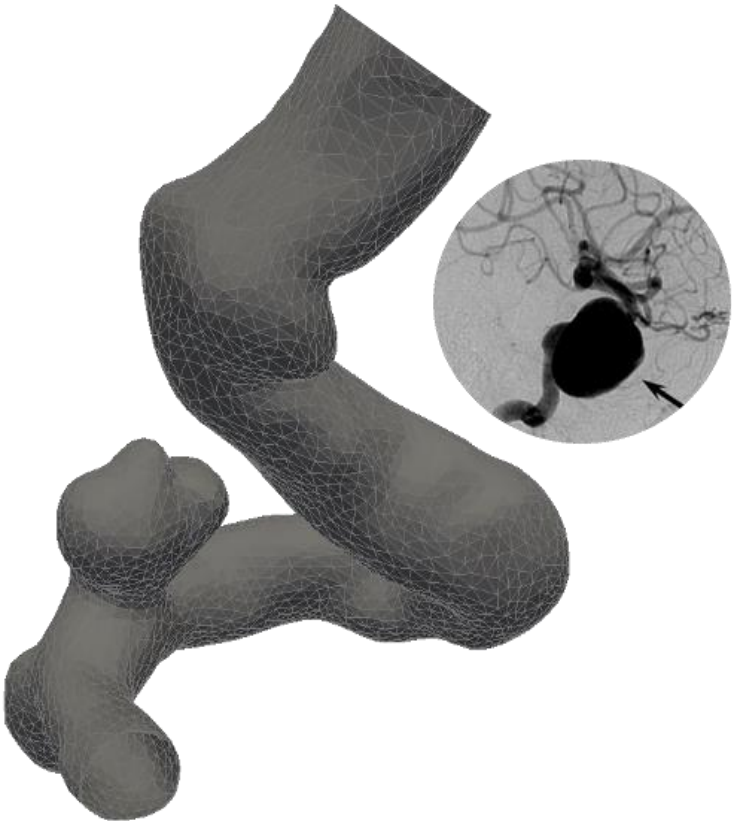
- Numerical meshing
- Numerical method
- Turbulence modelling
- Artificial or realistic geometry?
- Generic or patients specific BC's?
- Rheology?
- Rigid or elastic wall?



Medical imaging



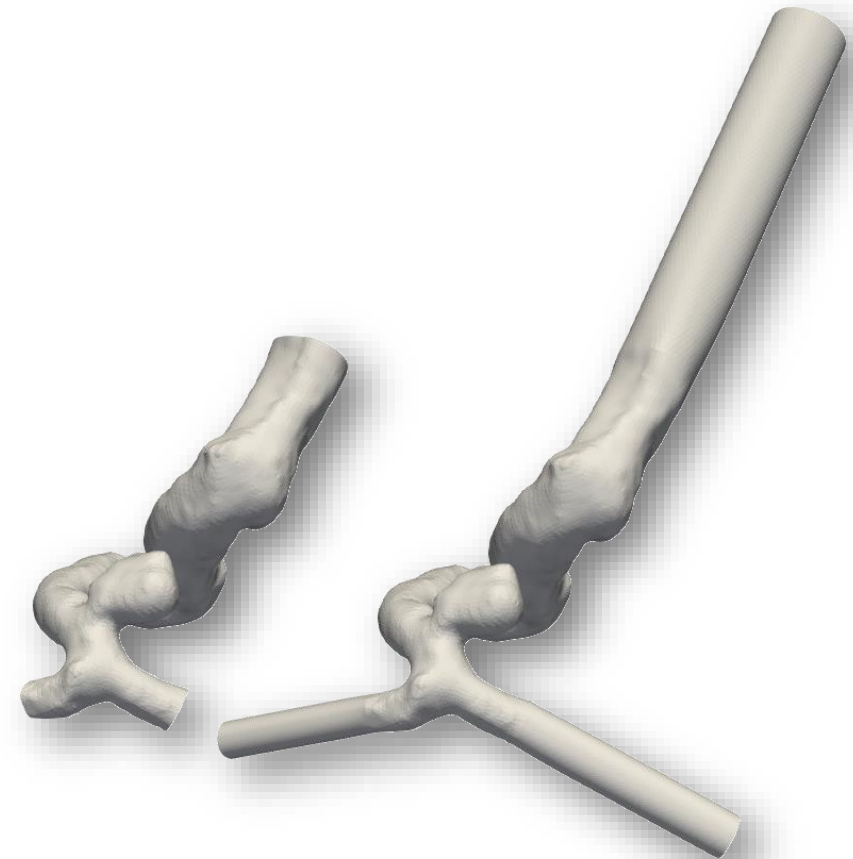
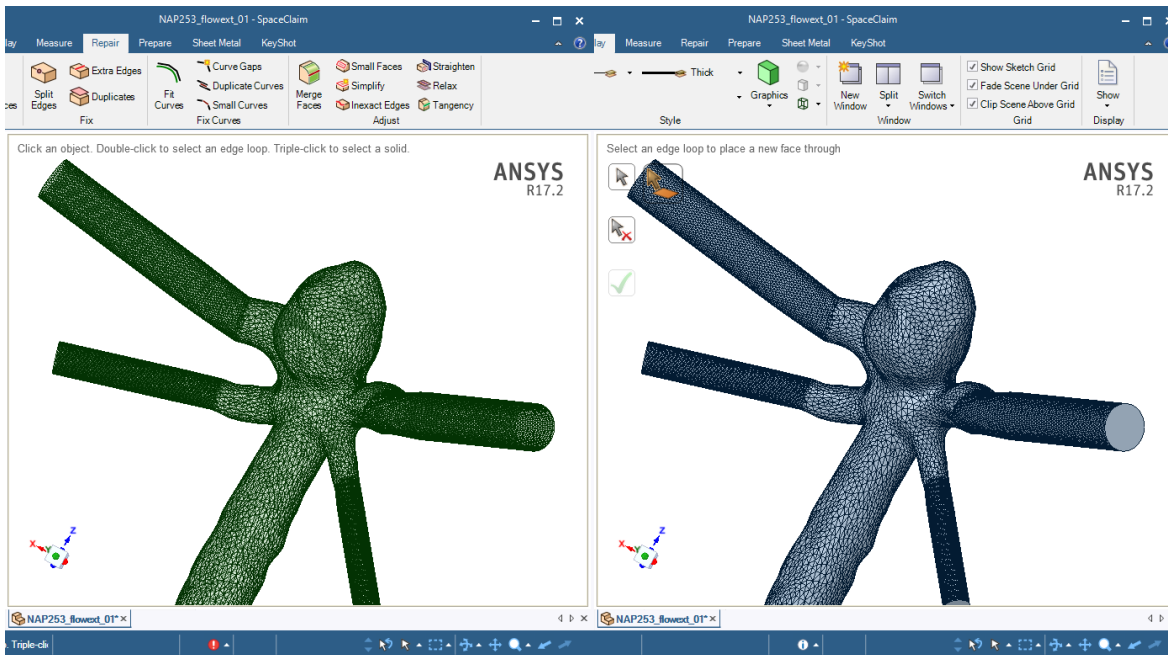
Segmentation



Surface smoothing

Numerical meshing

- Surface mesh preprocessing
 - Extensions!
- Volume geometry creation
 - SpaceClaim, ICEM, GMSH, FreeCad...



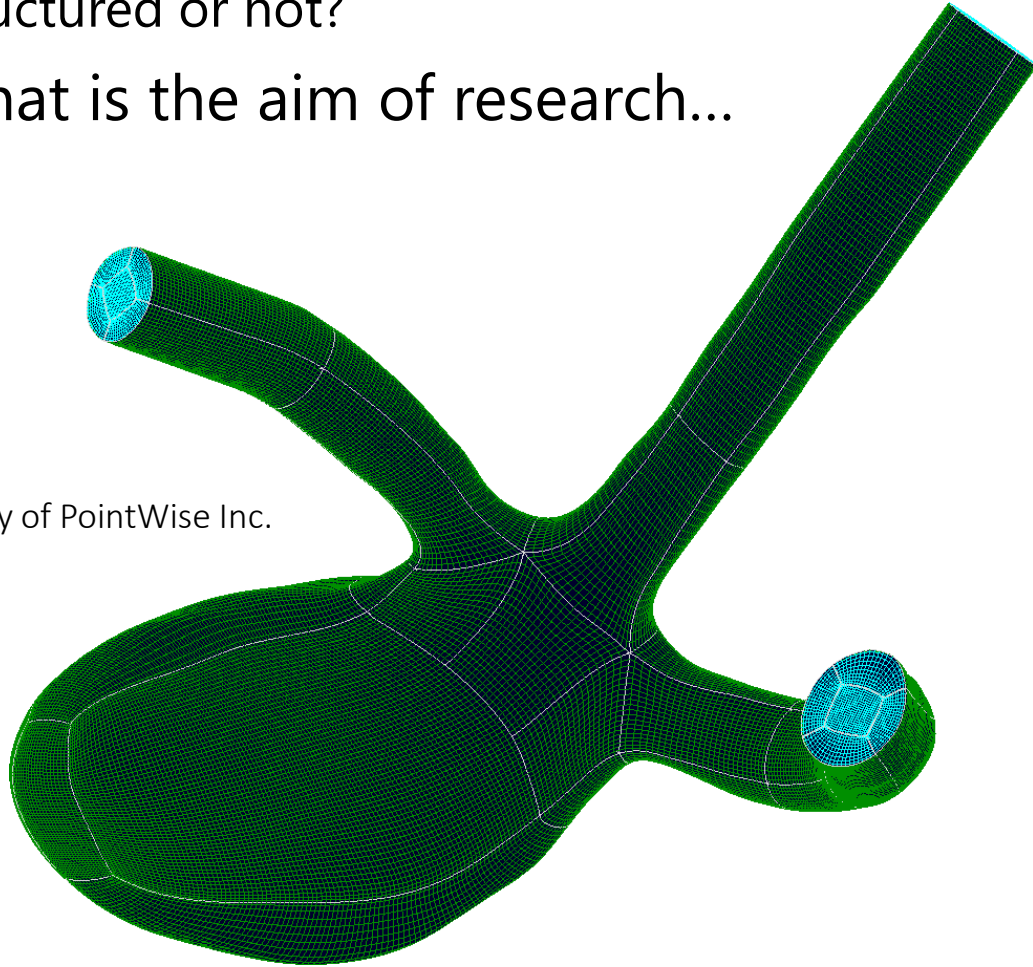


Numerical meshing

Structured or not?

What is the aim of research...

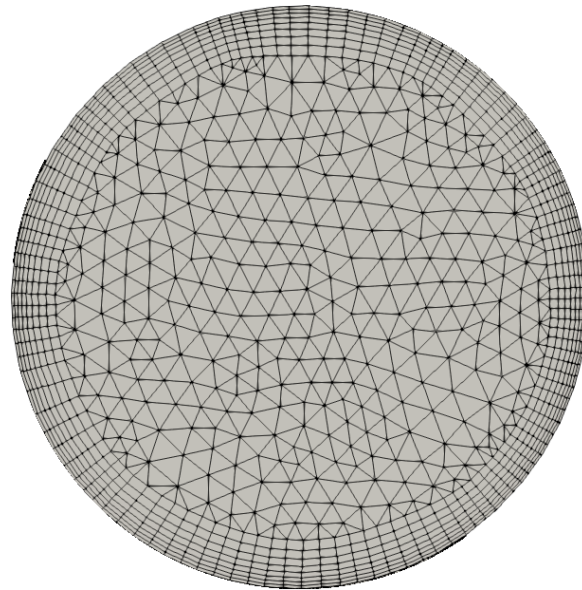
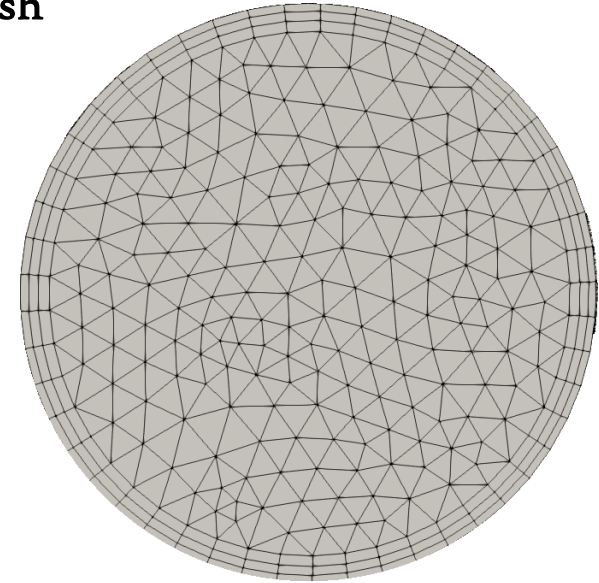
Courtesy of PointWise Inc.



Numerical meshing

- Influence of mesh resolution
 1. Velocity profiles
 2. Wall shear stress
 3. Pressure drop
- Element size
- Number of boundary layers

Course mesh



Fine mesh



Numerical methods

- Finite volume method(FVM)
 - *Traditionally used (change in directions)*
 - *Fluent, CFX, OpenFOAM, StarCCM, ...*
- Finite element method (FEM)
 - Abaqus, Fenics
- Smooth particle Hydrodynamics (SPH)
 - *Xflow, Panormus*
- Lattice – Boltzmann Method (LBM)
 - *Palabos, OpenLB ...*
- Integrated solvers and
 - *SimVascular, Oasis(Fenics),*
 - *Heartflow,... Vascutreat (HemoFlowCFD)*

Ansys

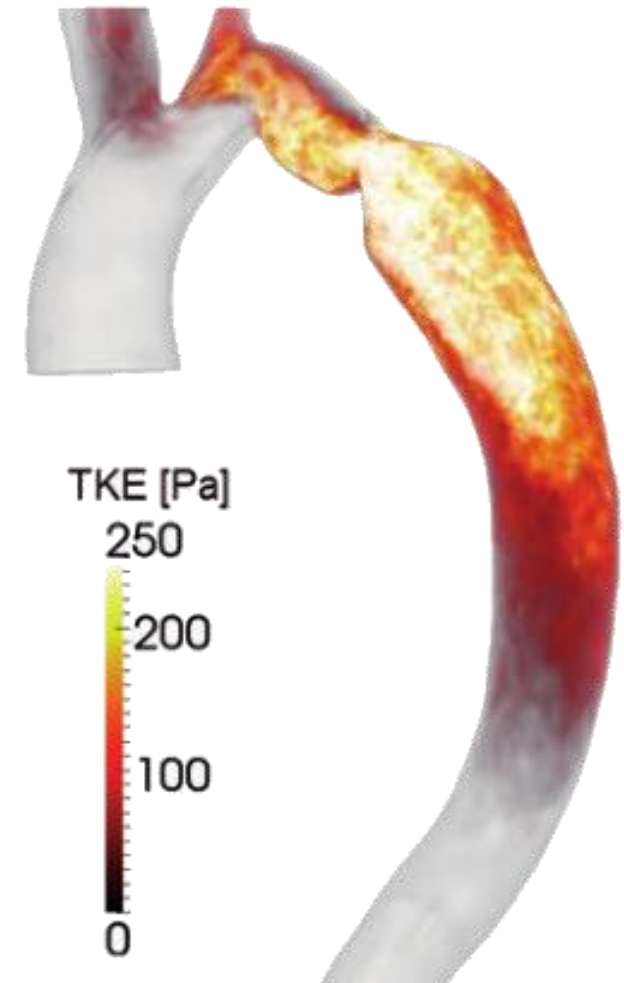
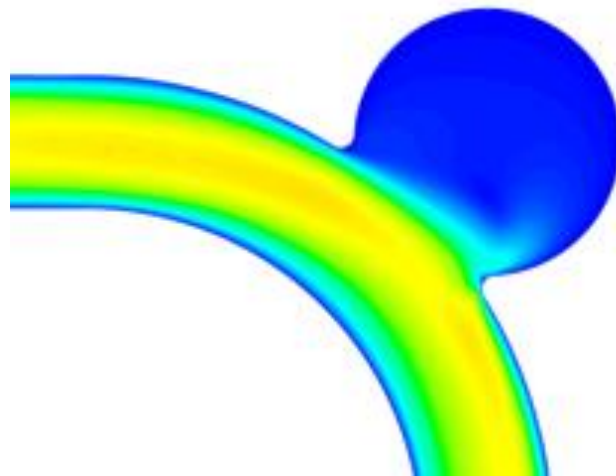
OpenFOAM®





Pre-processing and simulation

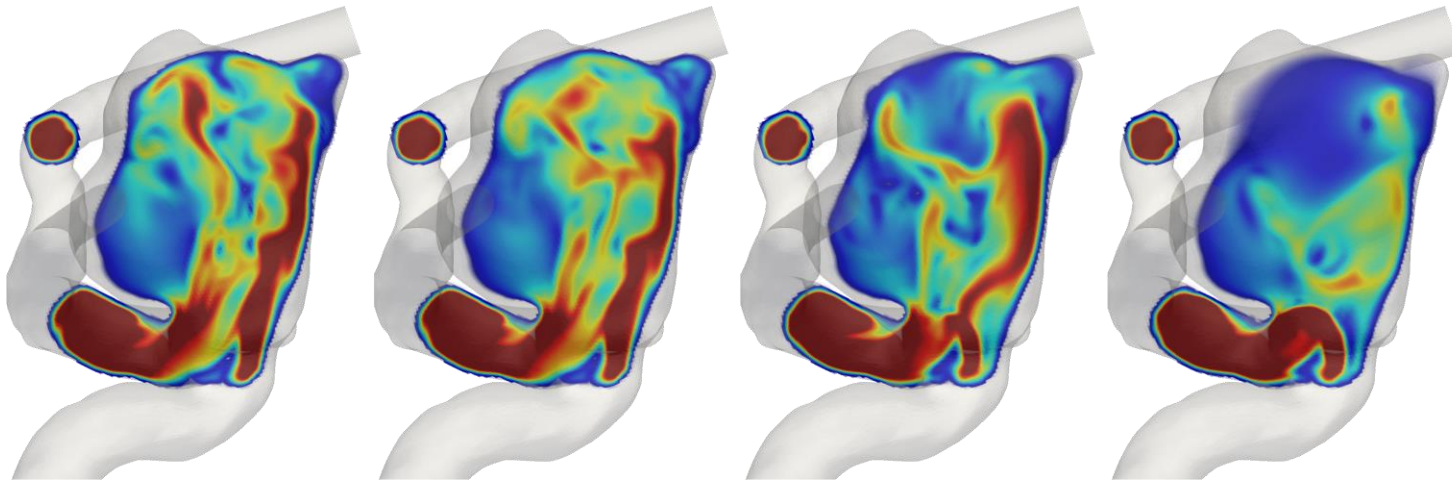
- Turbulence????
- Aorta
 - Might be transitional or fully turbulent
 - High Re
- Brain vessels and coronary arteries
 - Low Re
- Carotid bifurcation
 - Moderate Re



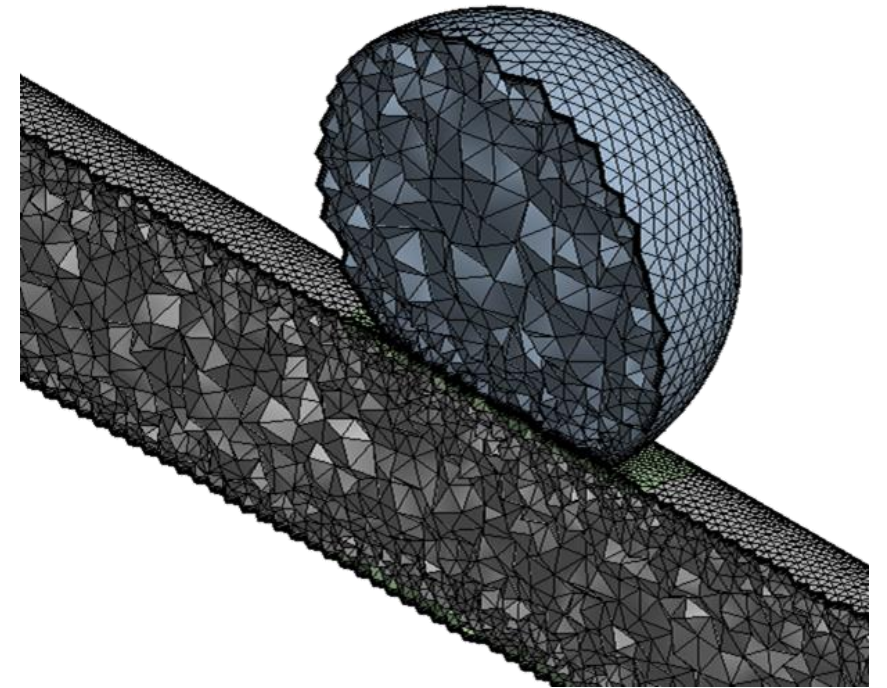


Pre-processing and simulation

Realistic



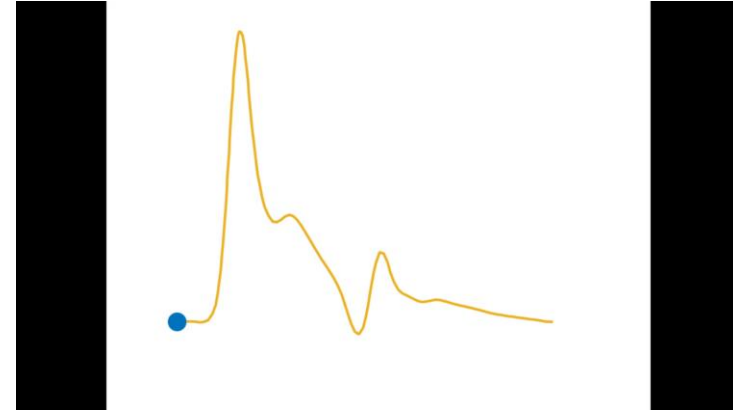
Artificial geometry





Boundary conditions

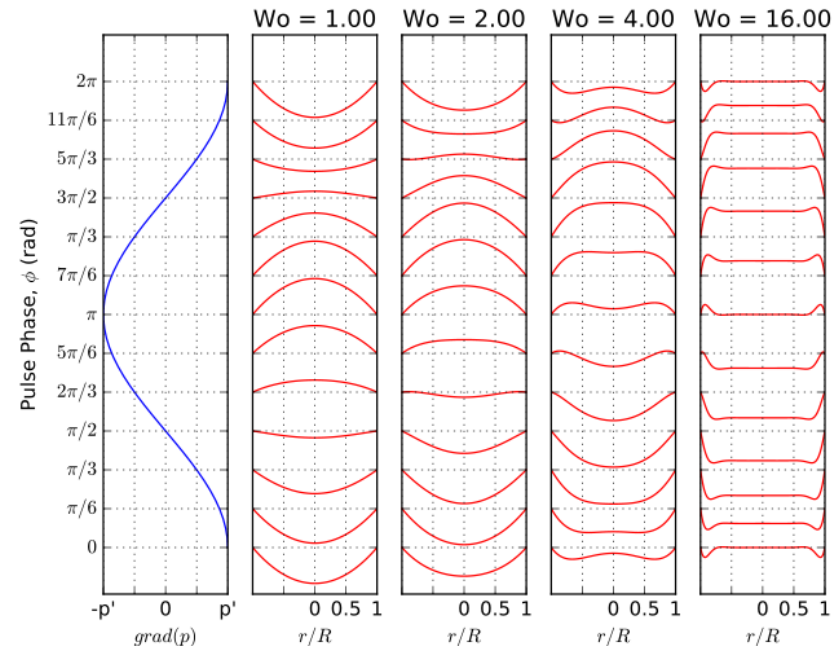
- Constant BCs
- Paraboloid velocity profile with time varying amplitude
- Pressure waveform (problems)!
- Womersley profile



$$u(r,t) = \frac{2q_0}{\pi R^2} \left[1 - \left(\frac{r}{R} \right)^2 \right] + \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{q_n}{\pi R^2} \left[\frac{1 - \frac{J_0(\beta_n r/R)}{J_0(\beta_n)}}{\frac{2J_1(\beta_n)}{\beta_n J_0(\beta_n)}} \right] e^{in\omega t}$$

$$\beta_n = i^{3/2} R \sqrt{\frac{n\omega}{\nu}} = i^{3/2} \sqrt{n\alpha}$$

α – Womersley number





So after all...

The basic workflow:

1. Image processing with caution!
 1. Segmentation & Smoothing
2. Numerical mesh generation
 1. Aim of the research
 2. Boundary layer assesment
3. Modelling approach
 1. Numerical methods (discretization, convergence, ...)
 2. Boundary conditions (waveforms...)
 3. FSI, additional equations (Biology...)
 4. Coupling (0D-3D; 1D-3D)

Thank you for your attention!

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Videos

Brain Aneurysms And Blood Flow Dynamics

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ncAWnWOhdfl&t=25s>

CompBioMed Virtual Humans Film

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1FvRSJ9W734&t=7s>