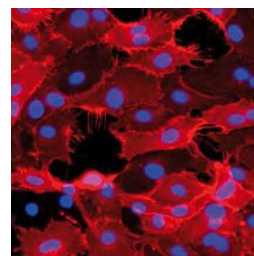
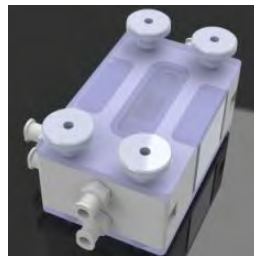
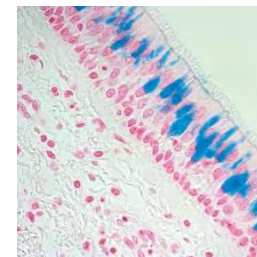
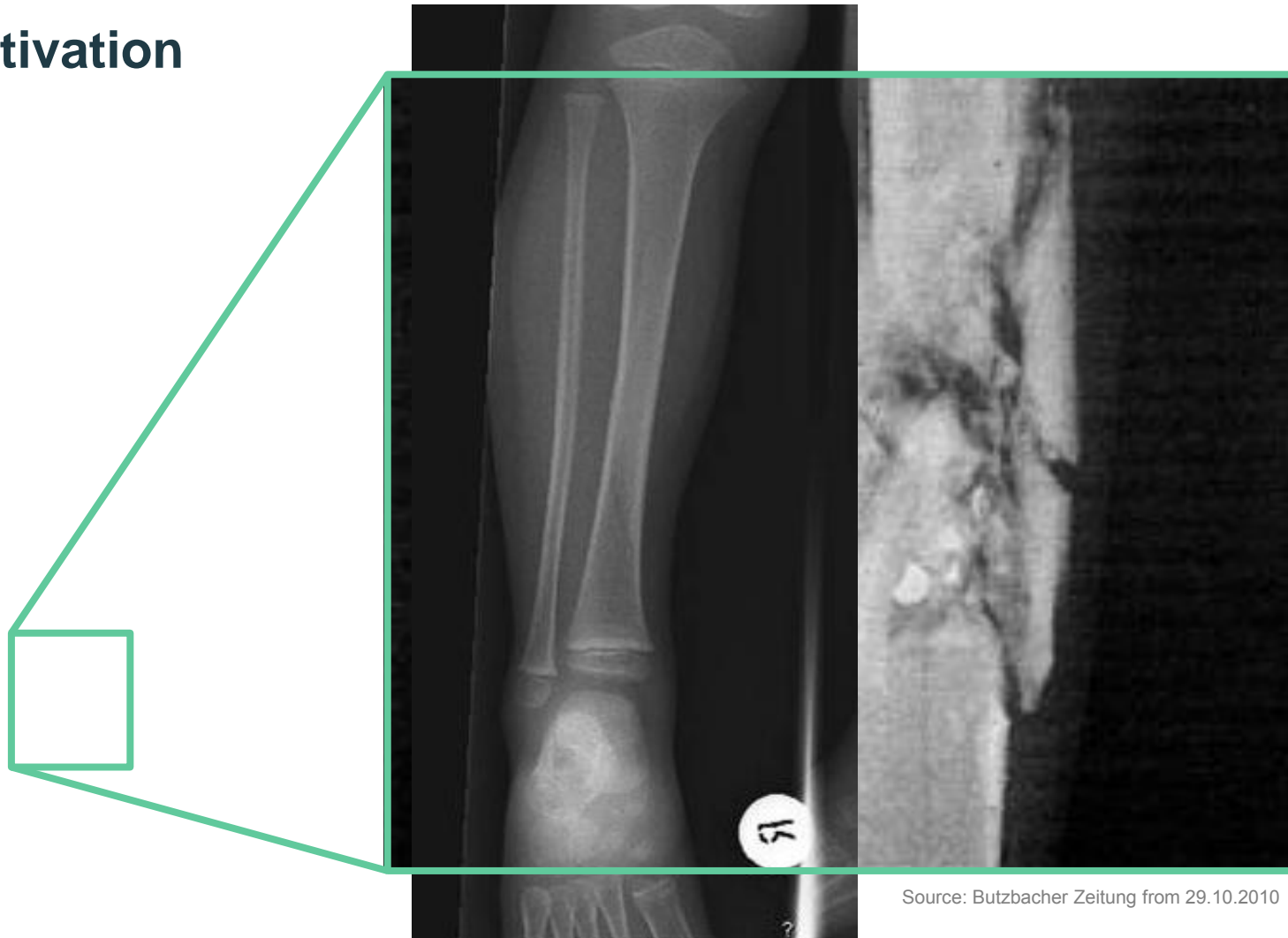


# Using Simulations to Evaluate the Proper Conditions of the *in Vitro* Culture of Bone Tissue

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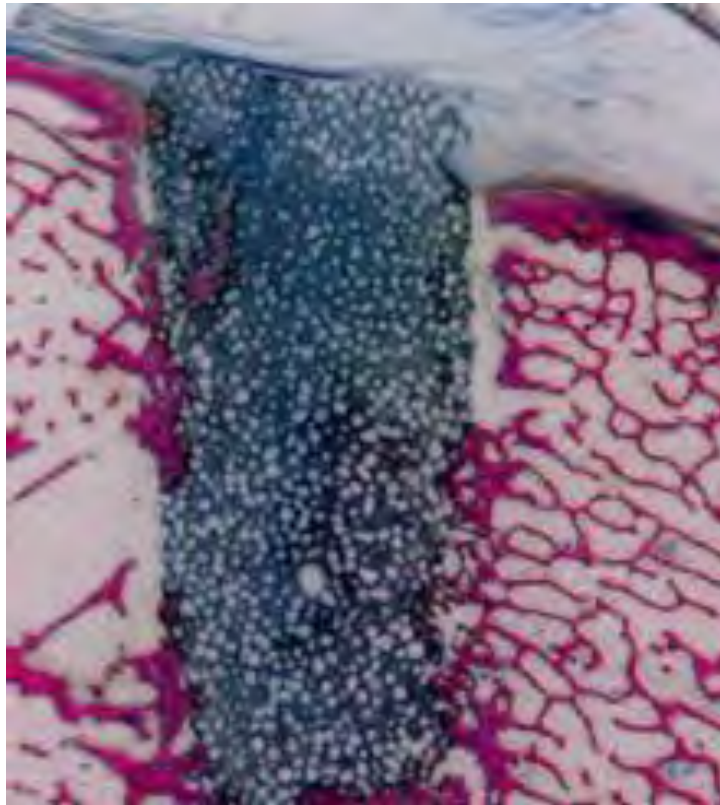
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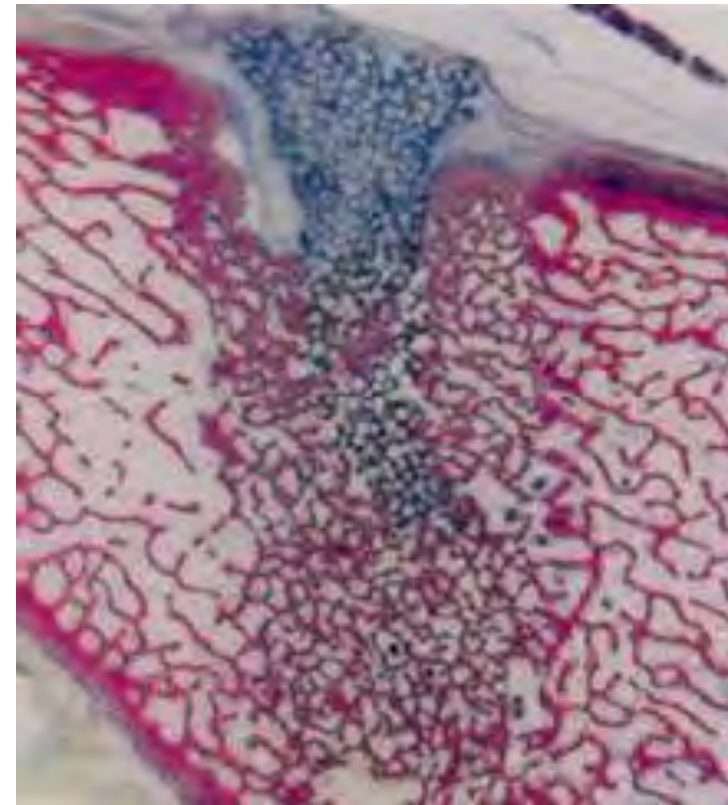
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## State of the Art in Bonesubstitutes



Unseeded scaffold after 12 weeks of implantation

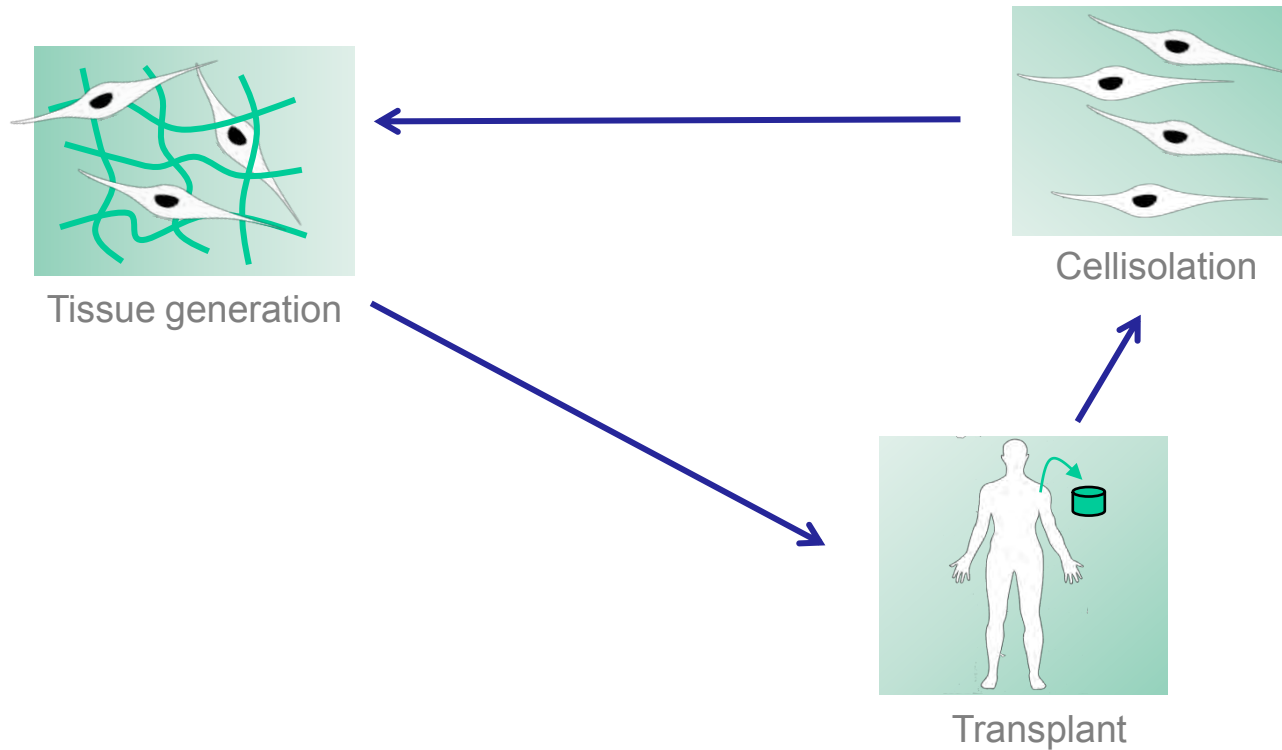


Preseeded scaffold with mesenchymal stem cells, 12 weeks of implantation

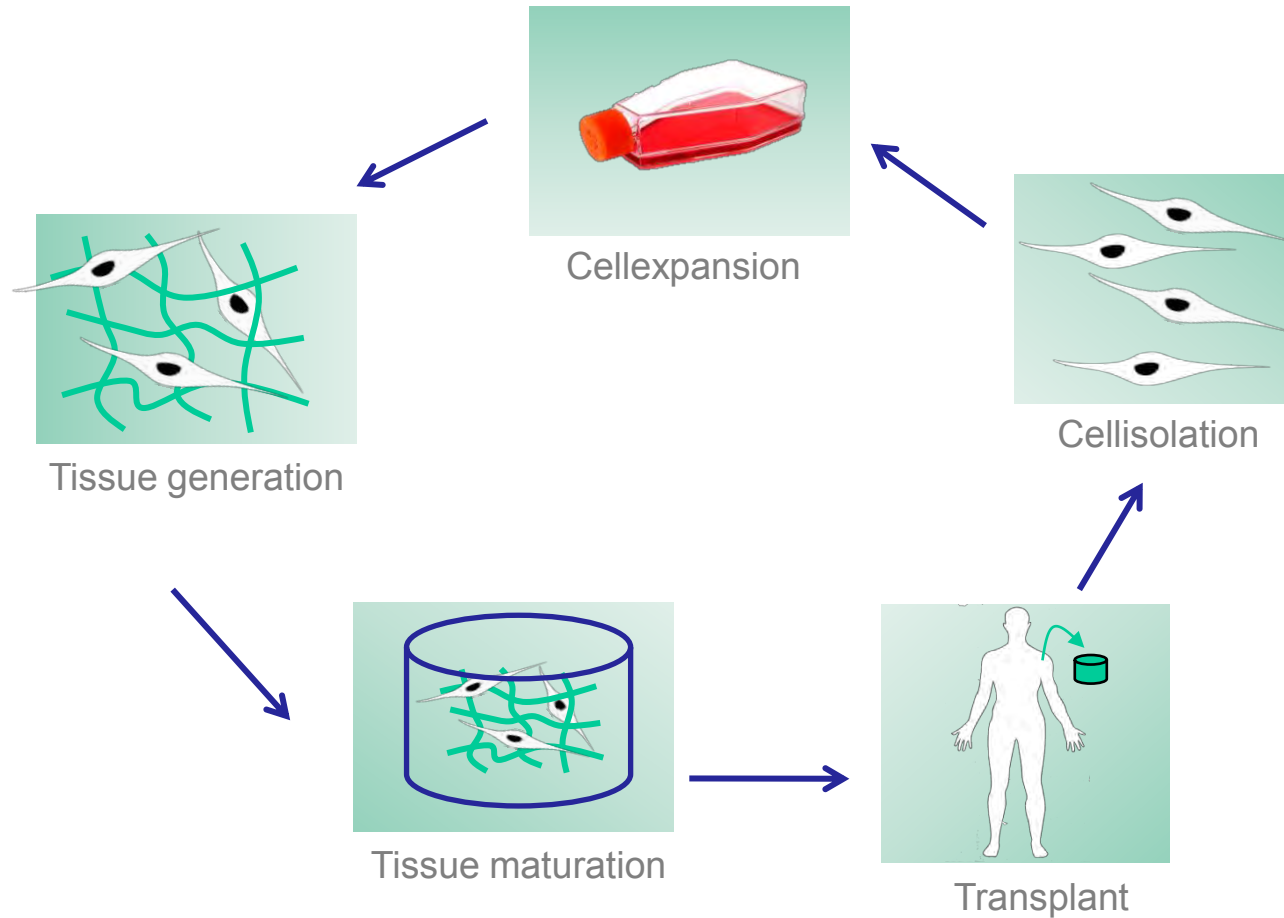
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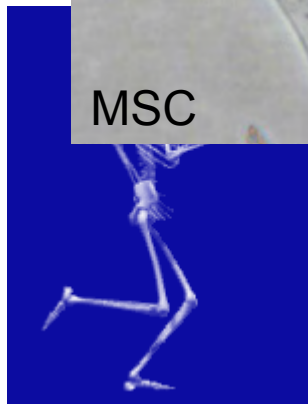
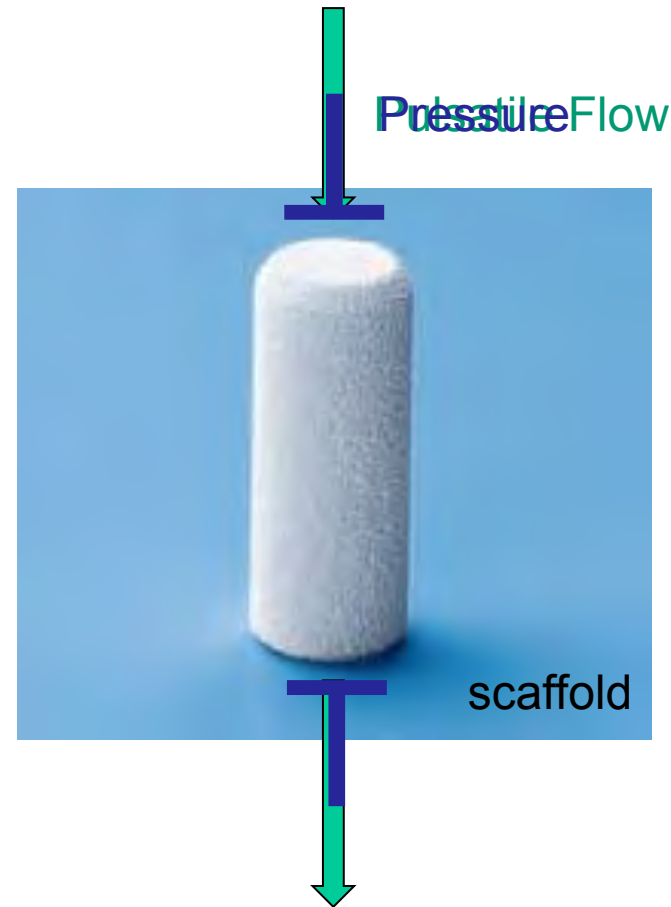
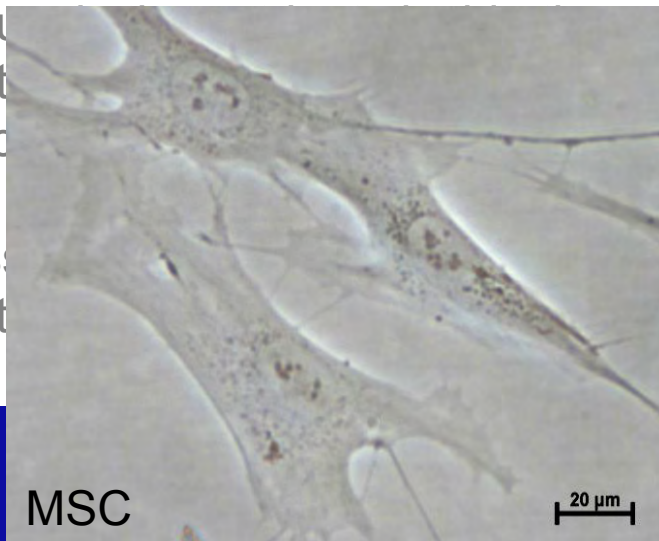
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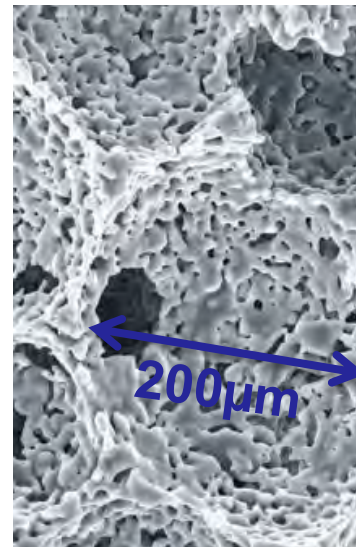
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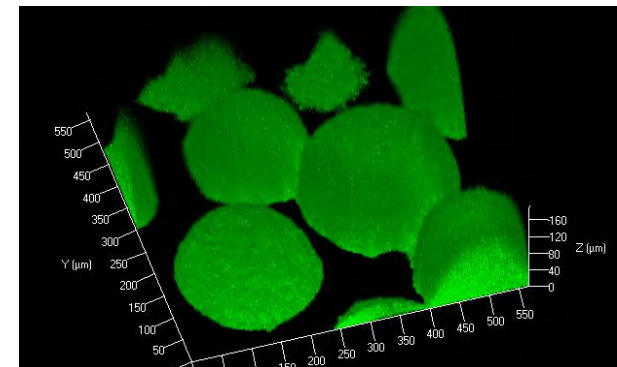
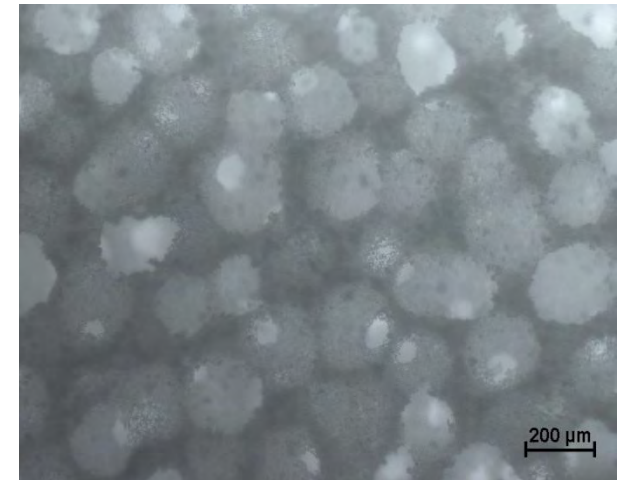
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On macroscopic and microscopic scale



SEM

Light microscopy

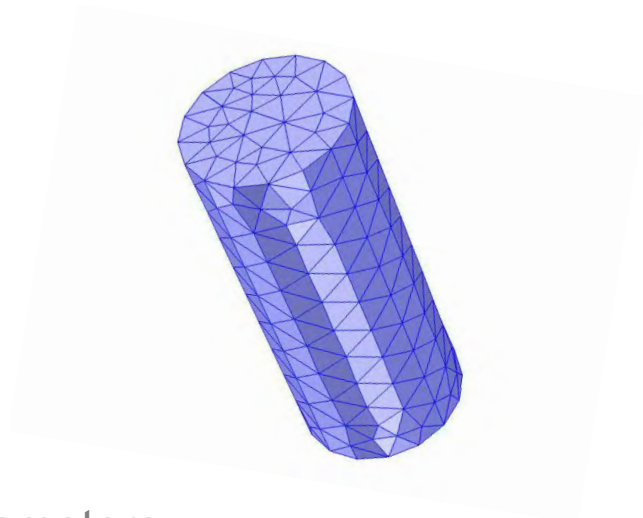


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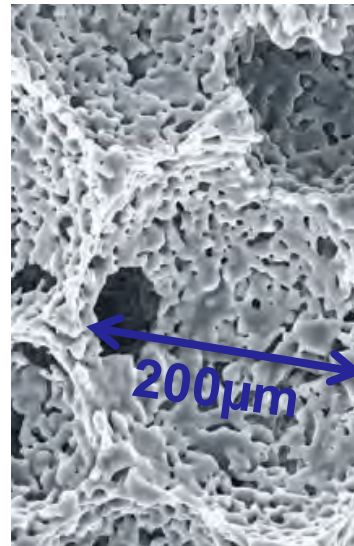


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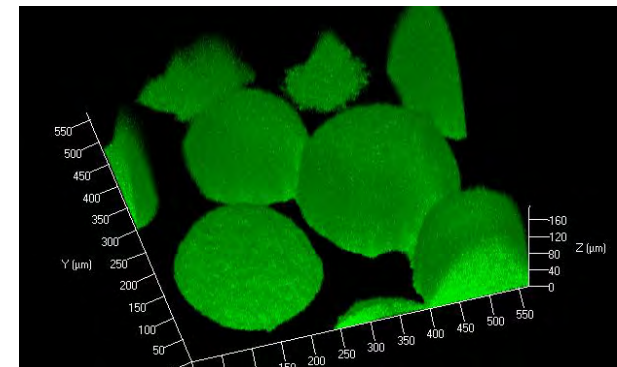
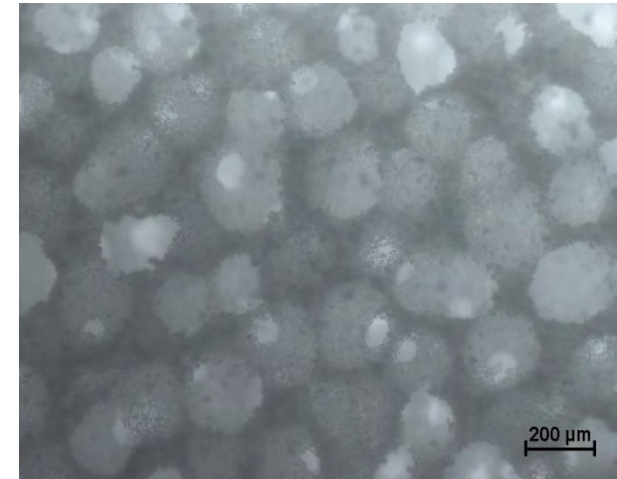


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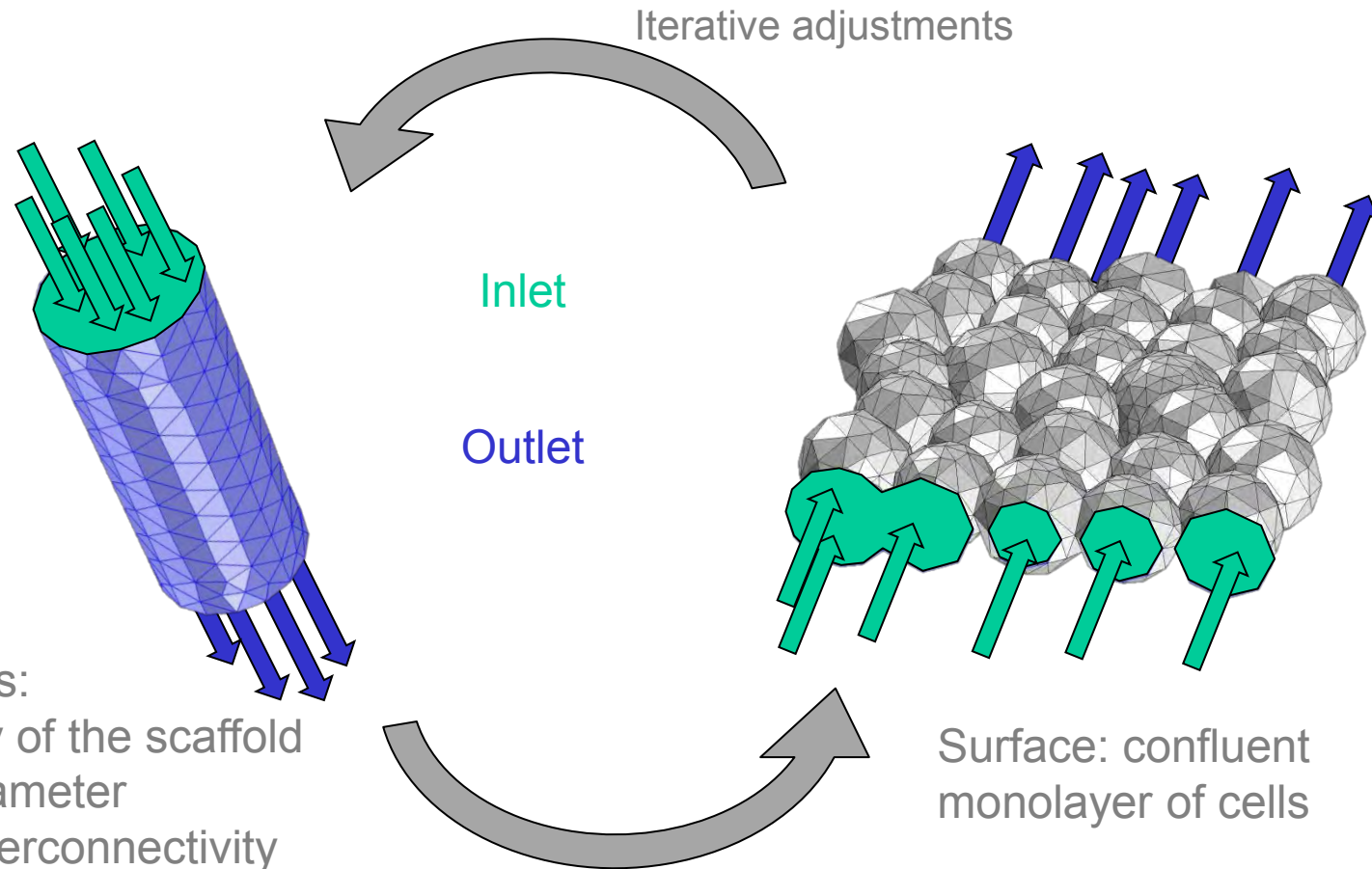


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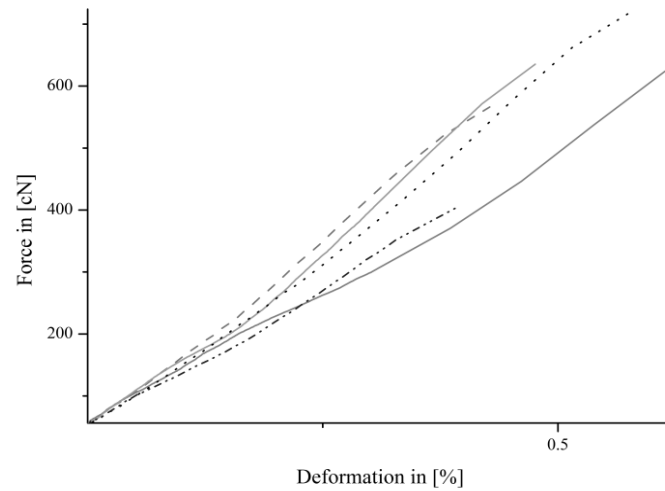
On macroscopic and microscopic scale



Parameters:

- Porosity of the scaffold
- Pore diameter
- Pore interconnectivity

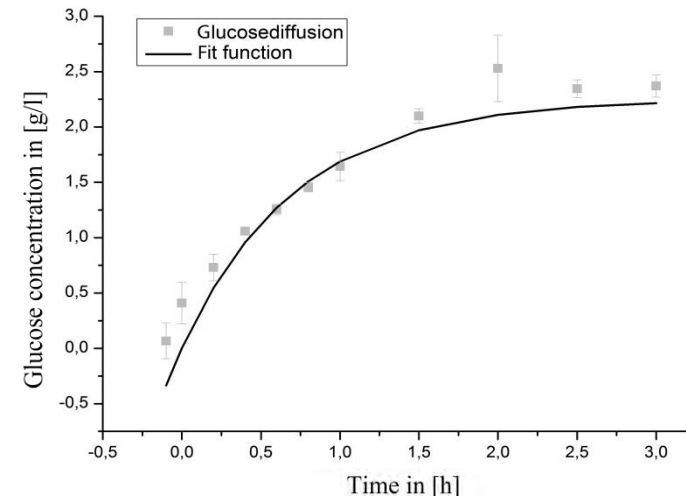
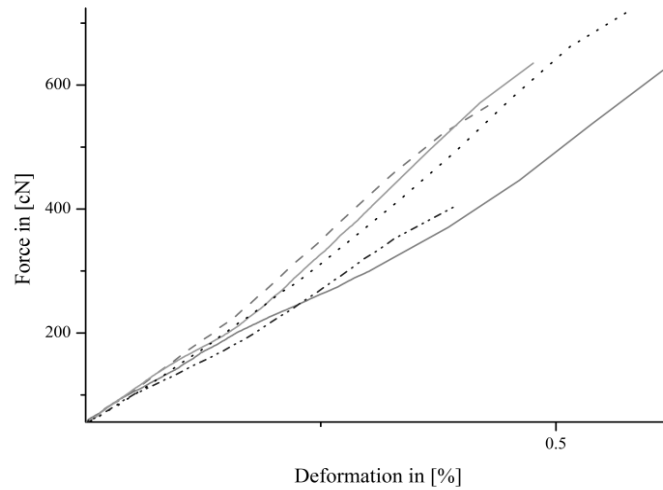
## Measurements of the relevant bio-physical parameters



-> Young`s Modulus

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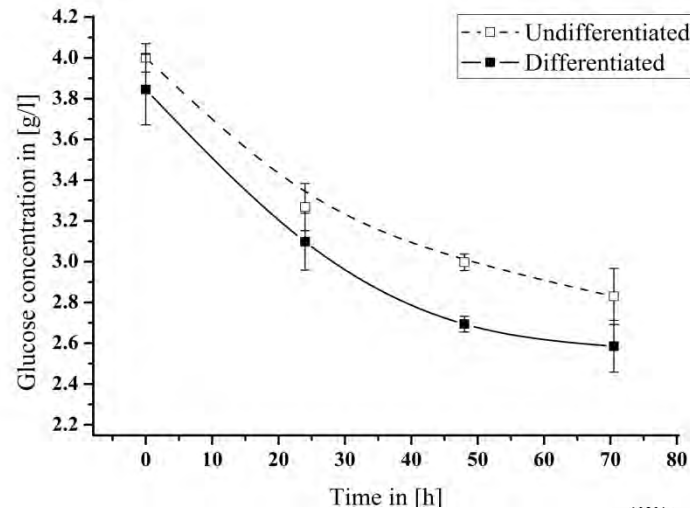
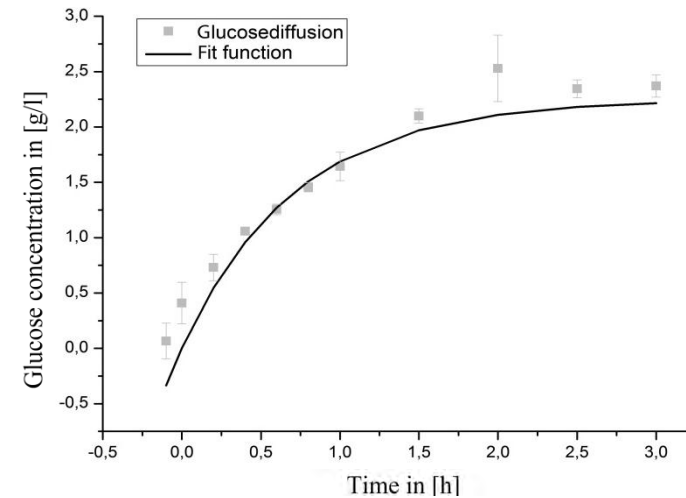
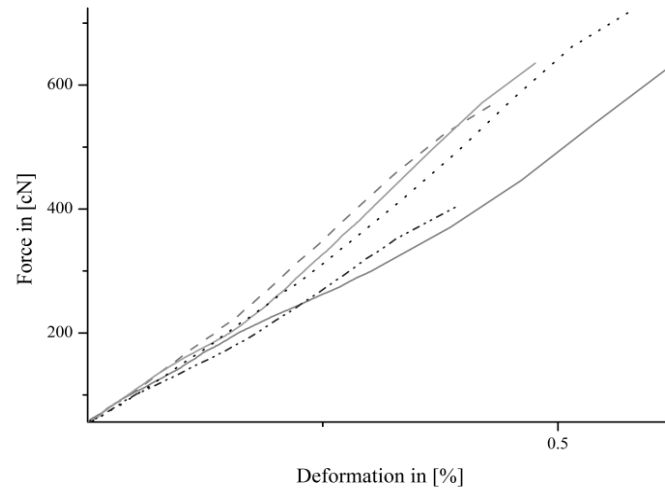


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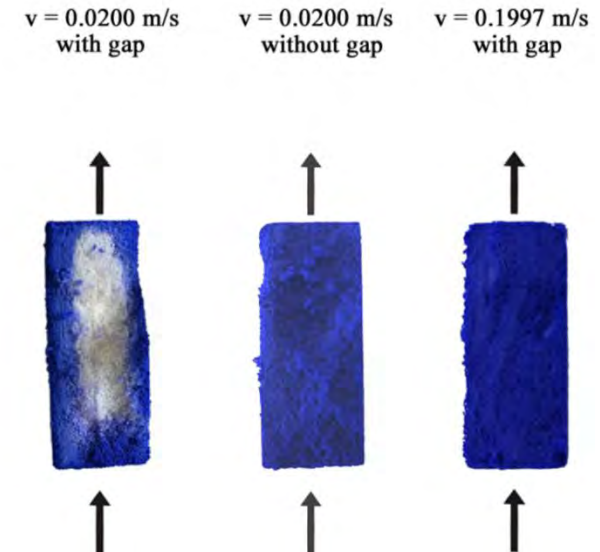
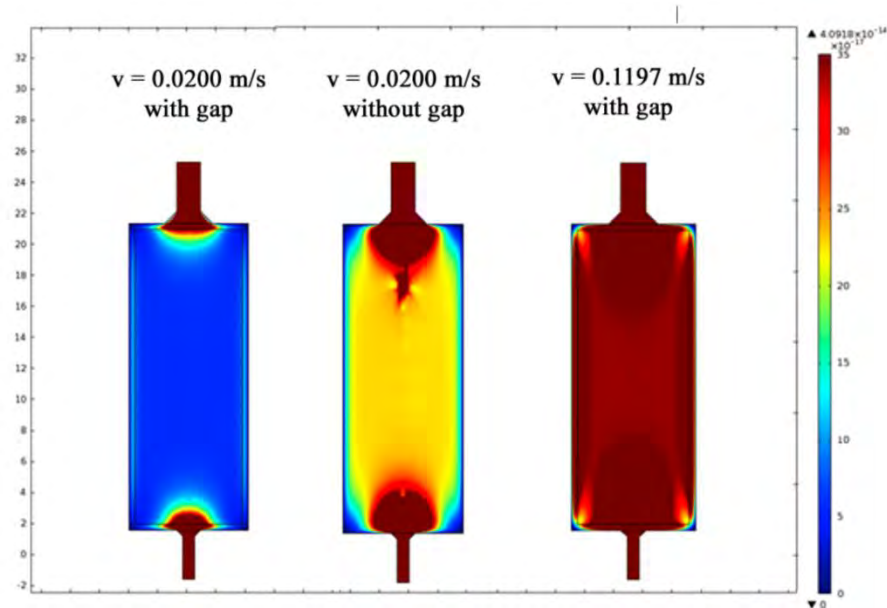
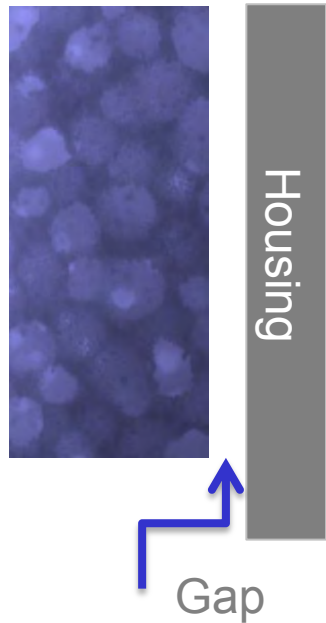
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# Simulations

## Macroscopic Model

Scaffold

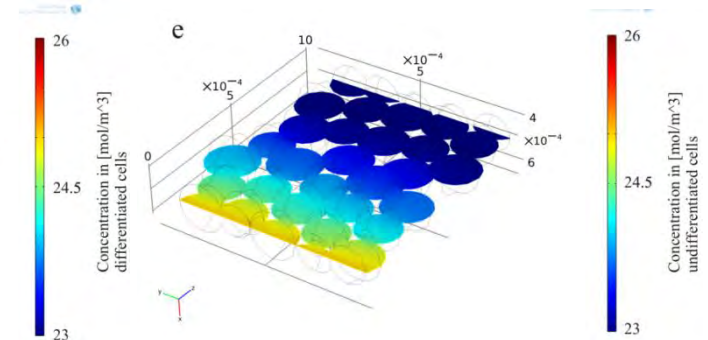
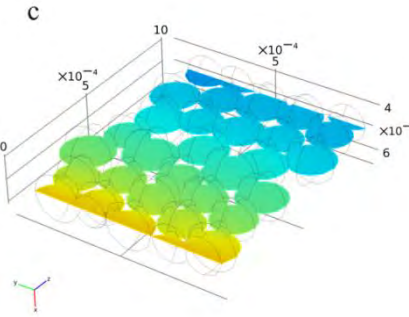
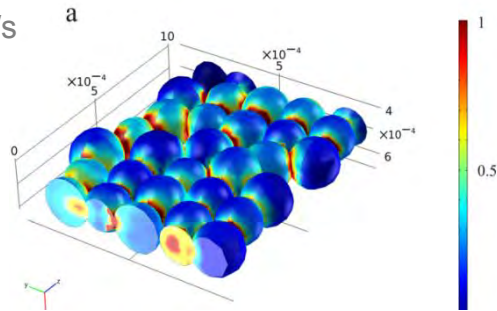


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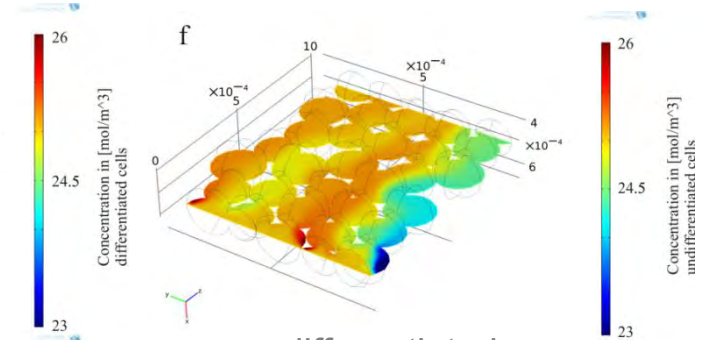
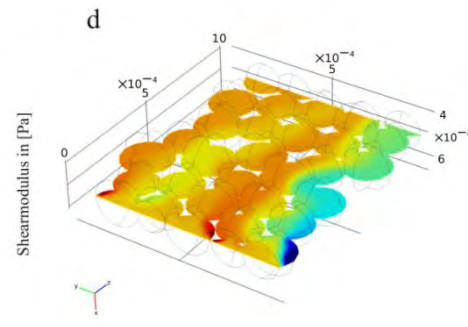
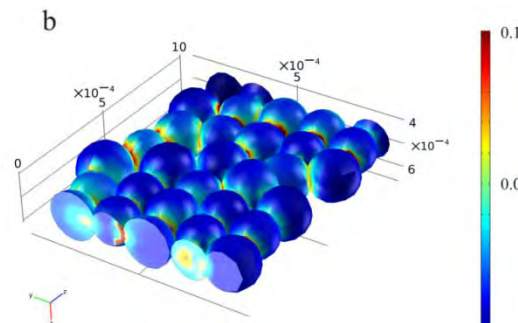
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## Microscopic Model

$V=1e-6$  m/s



$V=1e-3$  m/s



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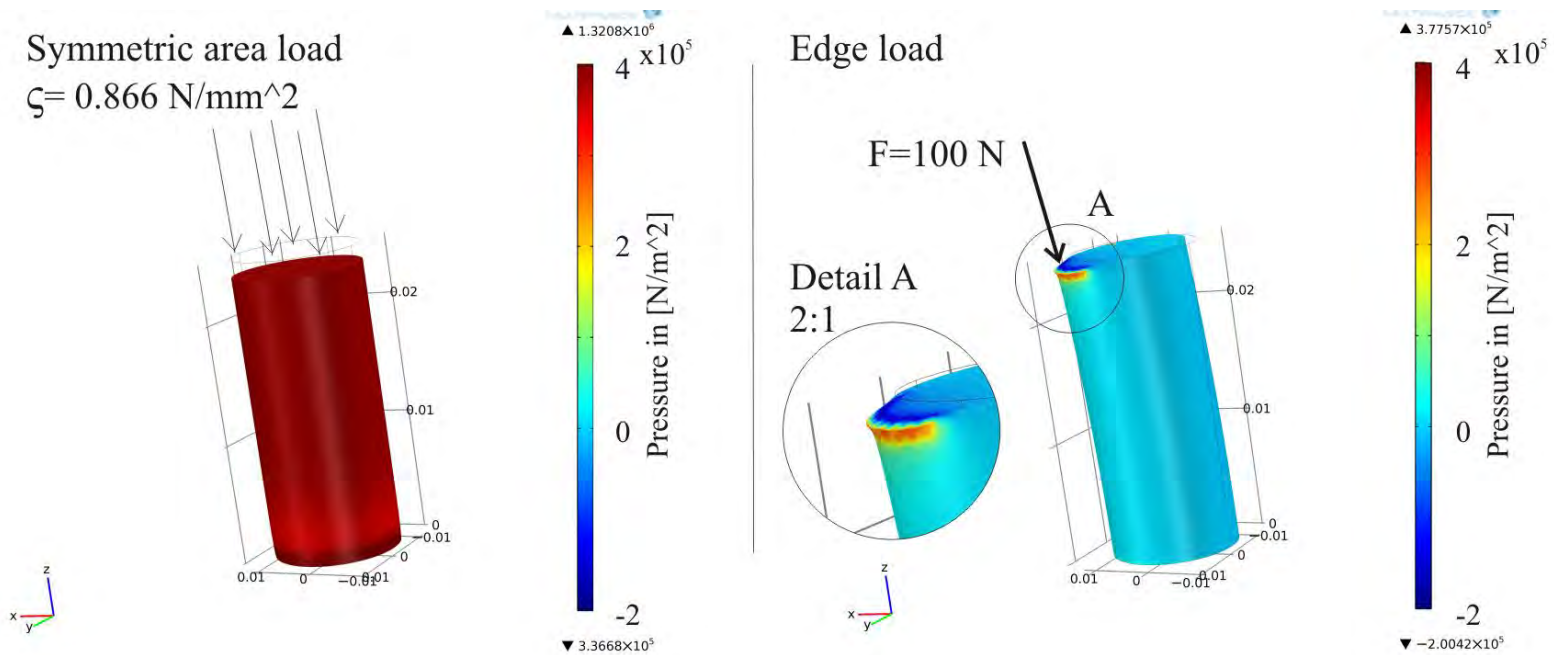
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# Simulations

Deformation of 1 % for MSC differentiation



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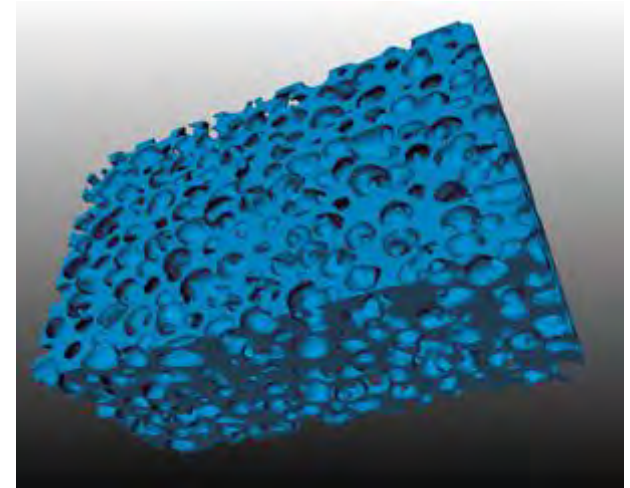
## Conclusions

- The required perfusion speed for a *in vivo* like situation could be found by *in silico* analysis
- A parameterized mechanical model could be developed
- The derived culture parameters can be used to develop a bioreactor system



## Outlook

- Integration of other metabolics into the simulation
- Also use reaction-kinetics to simulate the full cell metabolism
- Simulations with MRI derived 3D Models instead of the sphere model







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