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John Doe LM flow dynamics before,
during and after stenting

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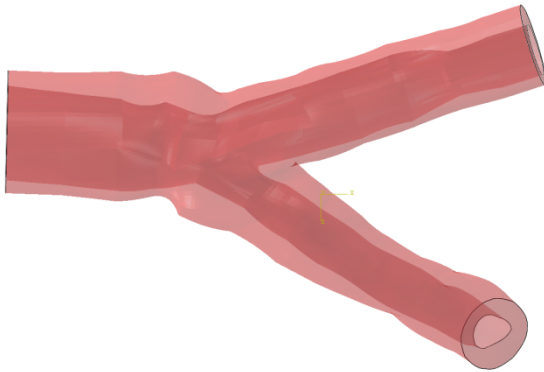
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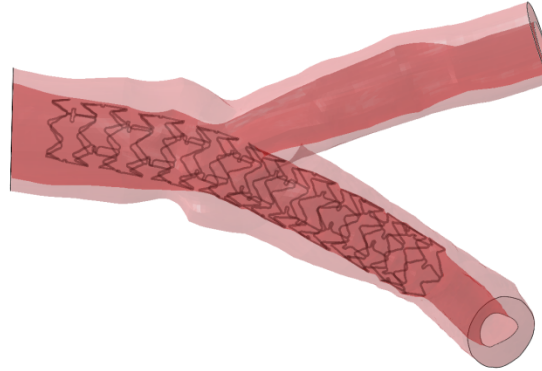
From structural to fluid dynamic model

STRUCTURAL MODEL
(from Ghent University)

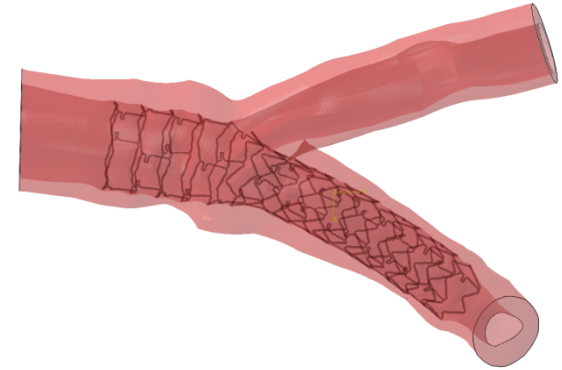
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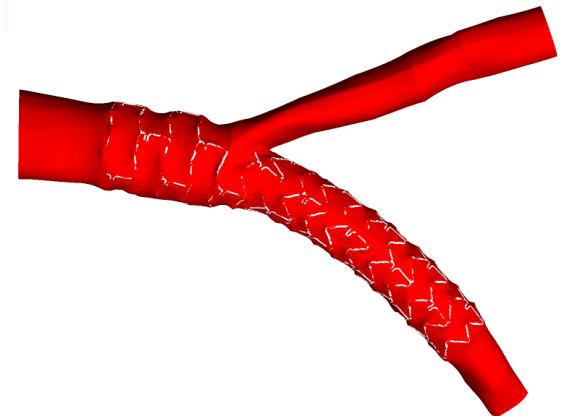
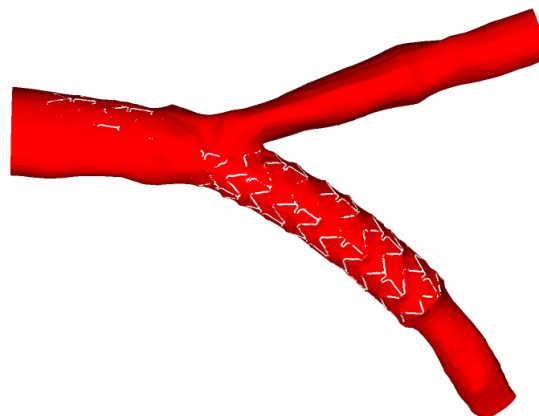
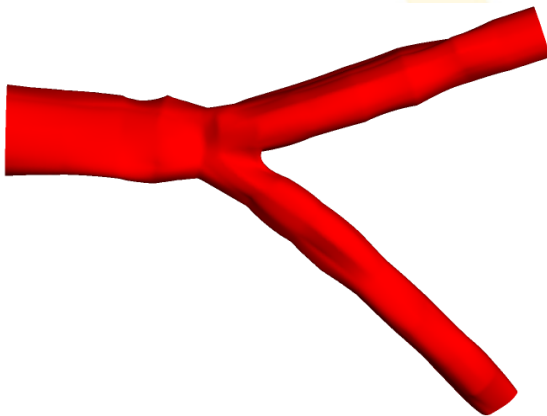
➤ MB Expansion



➤ Proximal Optimisation Technique (POT)



FLUID DYNAMIC MODEL

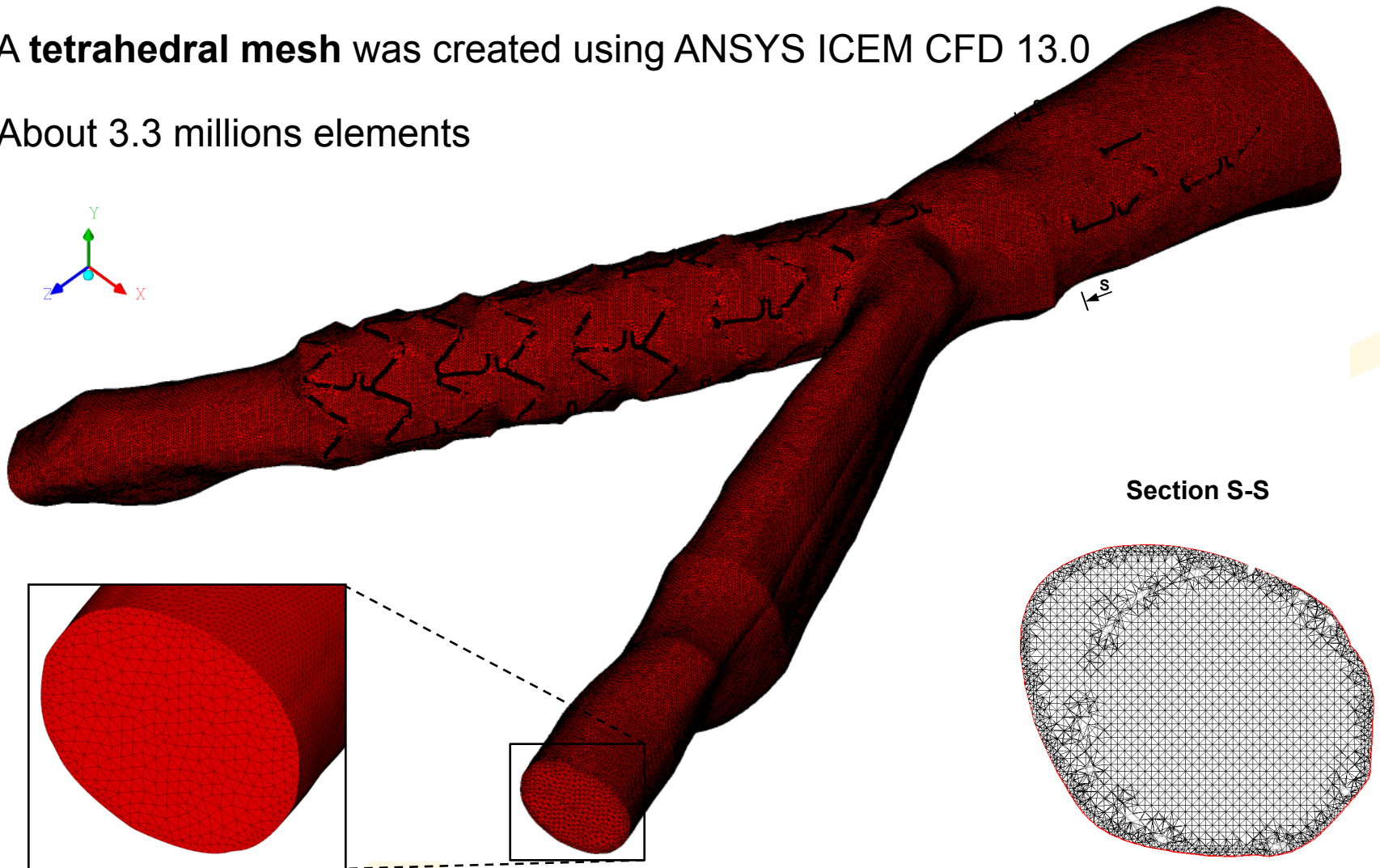


(Xience Prime stent)

Fluid dynamic model: mesh

➤ A **tetrahedral mesh** was created using ANSYS ICEM CFD 13.0

➤ About 3.3 millions elements



Fluid dynamic model: methods

✚ **Fluid model:** non-Newtonian blood (Carreau model)

$$\mu_{\infty} = 0.0035 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s} \quad \lambda = 25 \text{ s}$$

$$\mu_0 = 0.25 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s} \quad n = 0.25$$

$$\rho = 1060 \text{ kg/m}^3 \quad (\text{Seo et al. 2005})$$

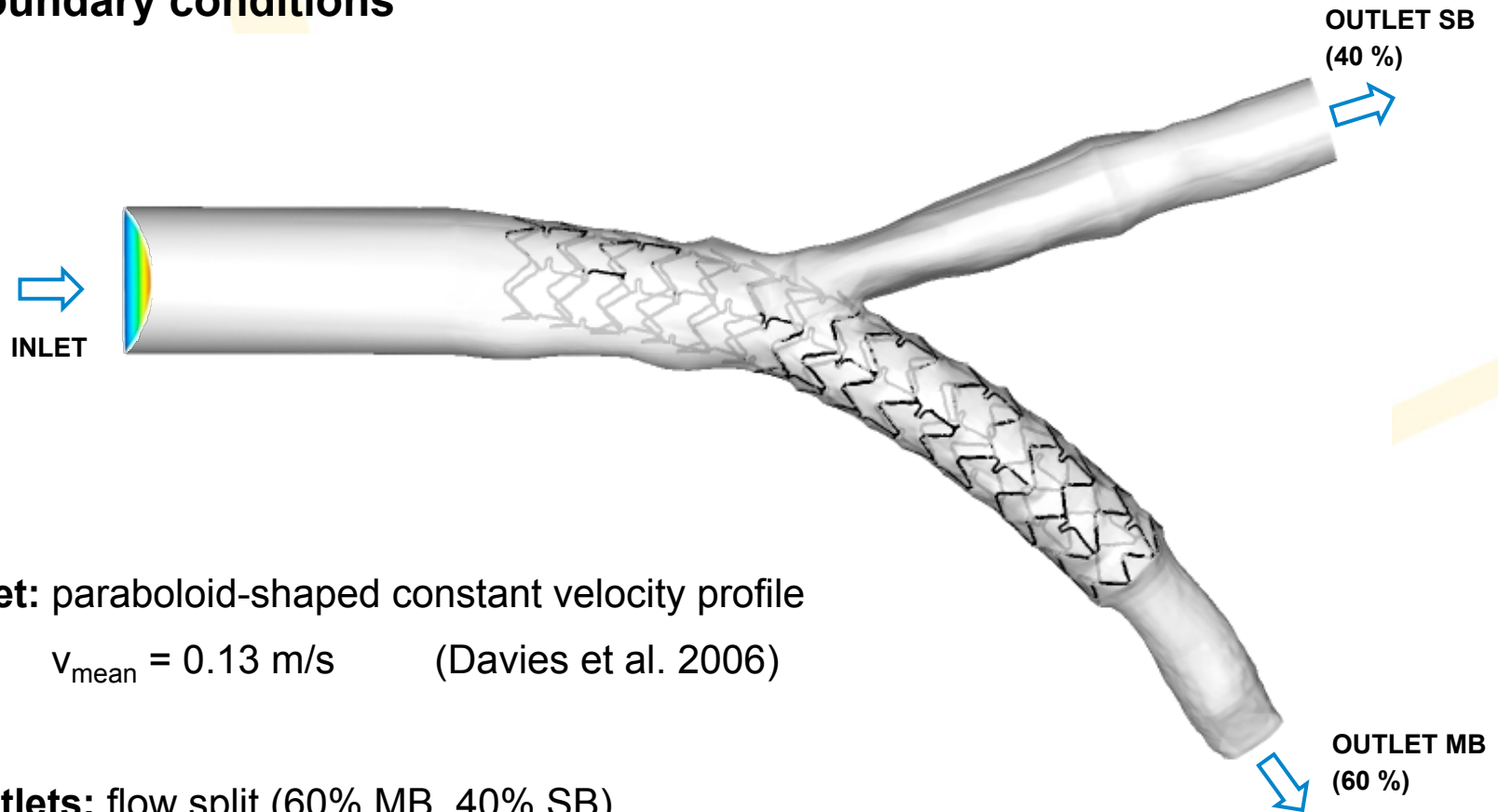
$$\mu = \mu_{\infty} + (\mu_{\infty} + \mu_0)[1 + (\lambda S)^2]^{n-1/2}$$

✚ **Solver:** ANSYS FLUENT 13.0 coupled – steady state

- **Momentum spatial discretization:** second-order upwind scheme
- **Courant number:** 50
- **Under relaxation factors:** 0.3 for pressure and momentum
1 for density
- **Convergence criterion:** 10^{-7} for continuity and velocity residuals

Fluid dynamic model: methods

➤ Boundary conditions



- **Inlet:** paraboloid-shaped constant velocity profile

$$v_{\text{mean}} = 0.13 \text{ m/s} \quad (\text{Davies et al. 2006})$$

- **Outlets:** flow split (60% MB, 40% SB)

- **Wall:** no-slip condition



Fluid dynamic model: methods

- **CFD simulations were made on a desktop PC using 2 parallel cores.**

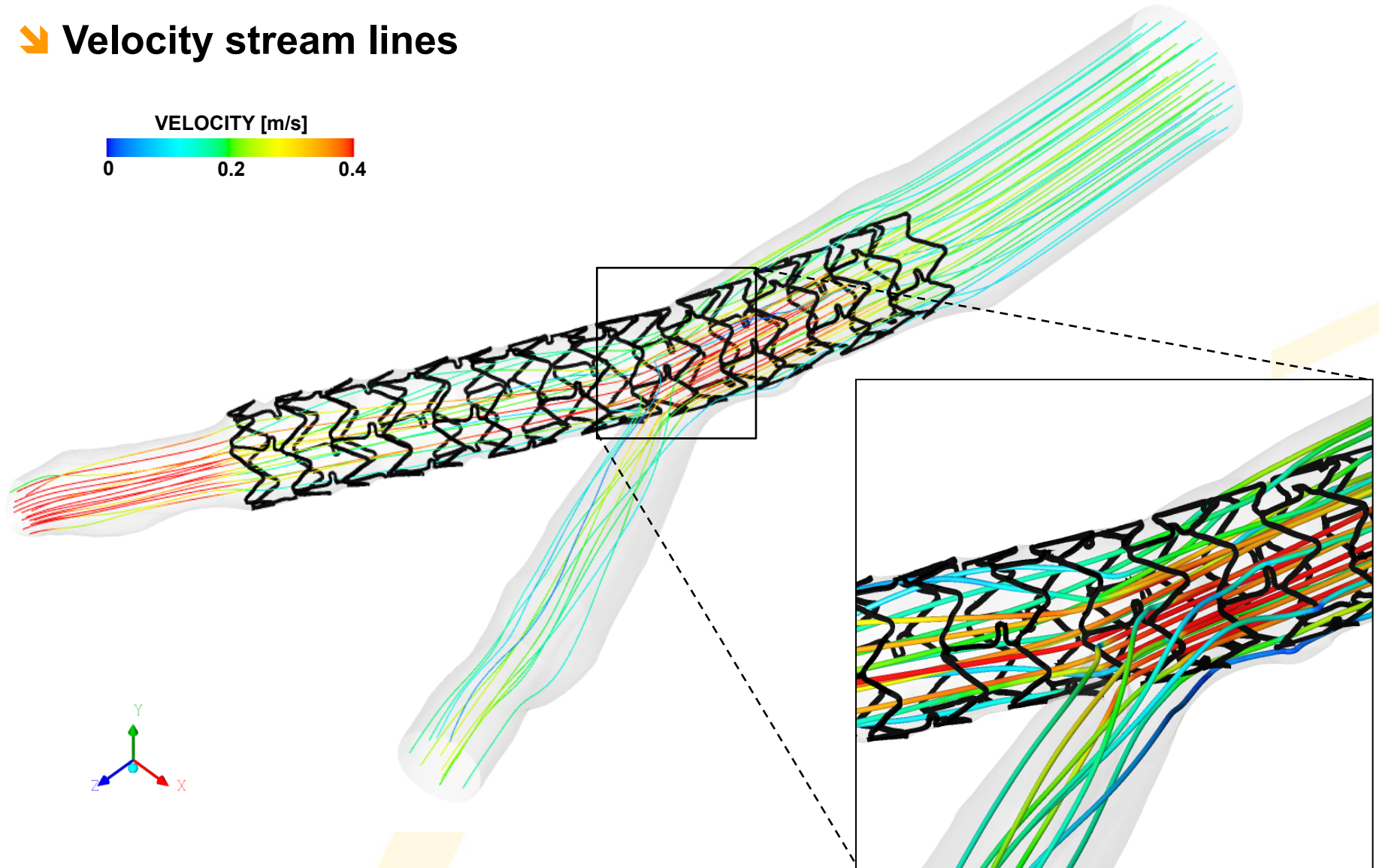
The computer is equipped with a 2,93 GHz quad-core processor with 16 GB RAM

- **Wall clock time for CFD a steady simulation:** about 4 hours
(with a mesh of 3.3 million elements)

- **Estimate wall clock time for a CFD transient simulation:** 2 days (on a cluster)

Fluid dynamic model: results

➤ Velocity stream lines

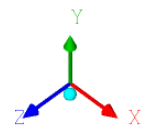
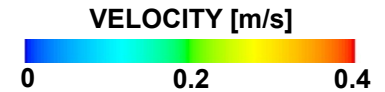


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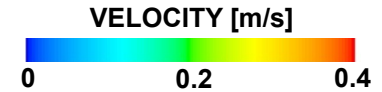
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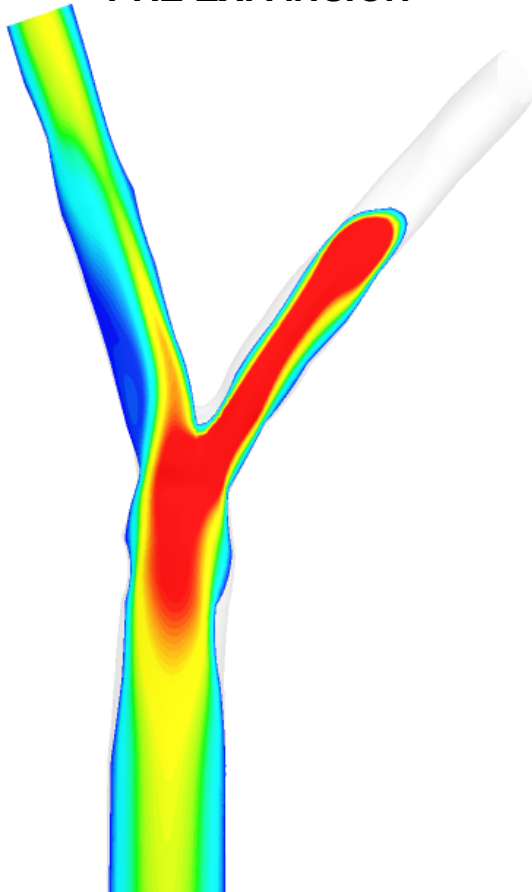


Fluid dynamic results: comparison

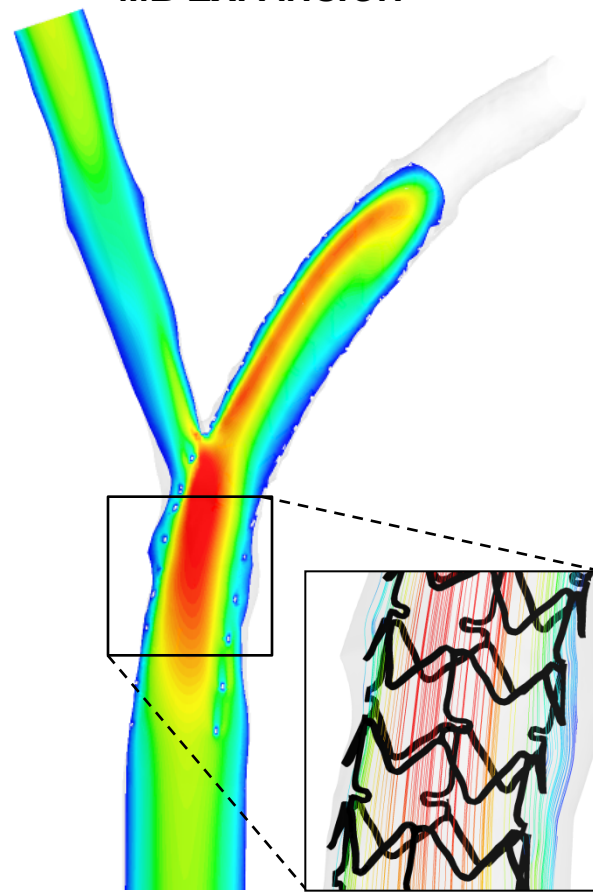
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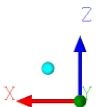
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Local fluid dynamics

- **Wall Shear Stress (WSS) and WSS gradients**
- **Oscillatory Shear Index (OSI)**

$$OSI = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{\left| \int_0^T \vec{\tau}_w dt \right|}{\int_0^T |\vec{\tau}_w| dt} \right)$$

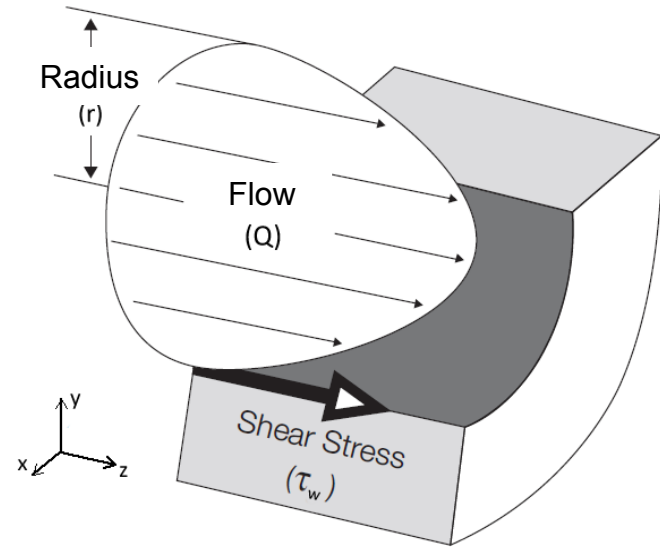
T = duration of cardiac cycle and τ_w = instantaneous wall shear stress vector

OSI > 0.1 ÷ 0.2

WSS < 0.5 Pa



associated with cellular proliferation, intimal thickening, and inflammation

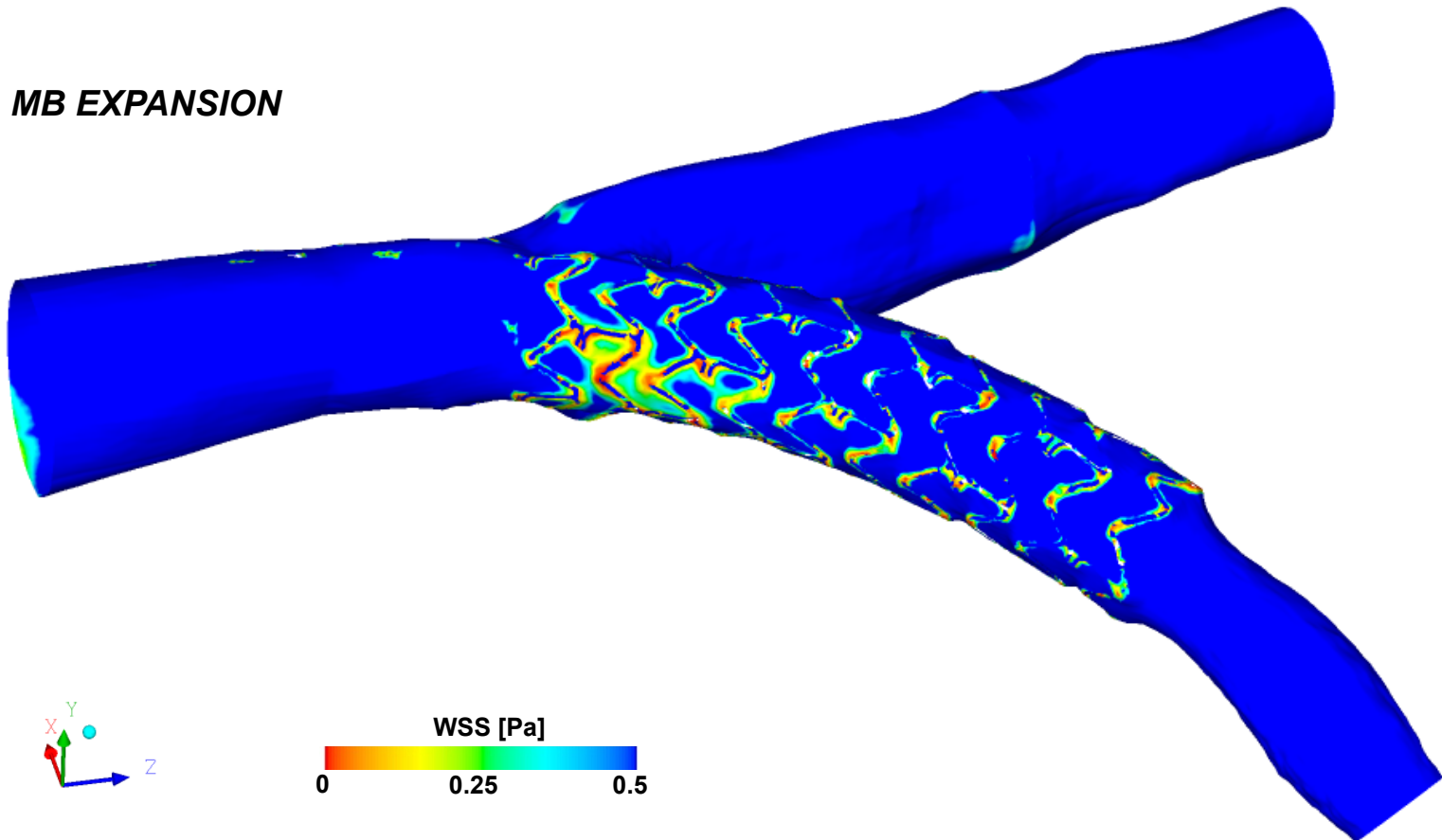


Fluid dynamic results

Wall Shear Stress (WSS)

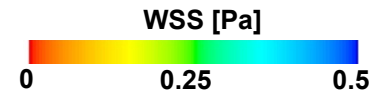
WSS < 0.5 Pa \Rightarrow risk of restenosis (Ku 1997, Malek et al. 1999)

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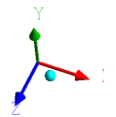
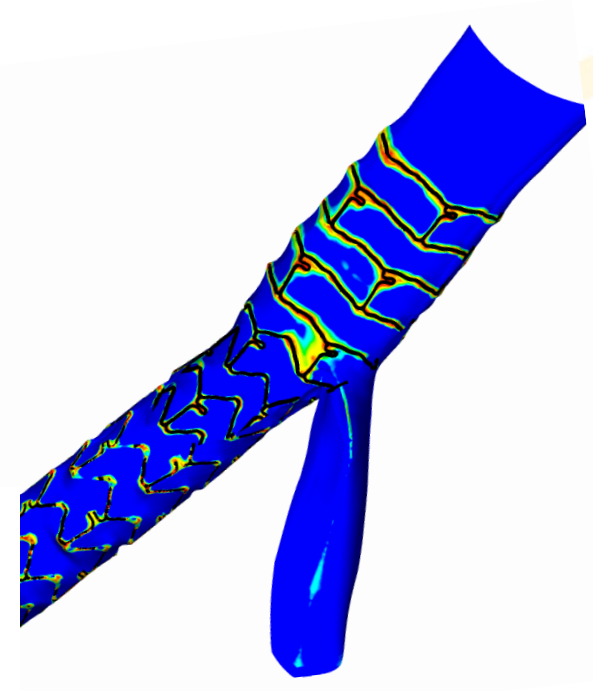
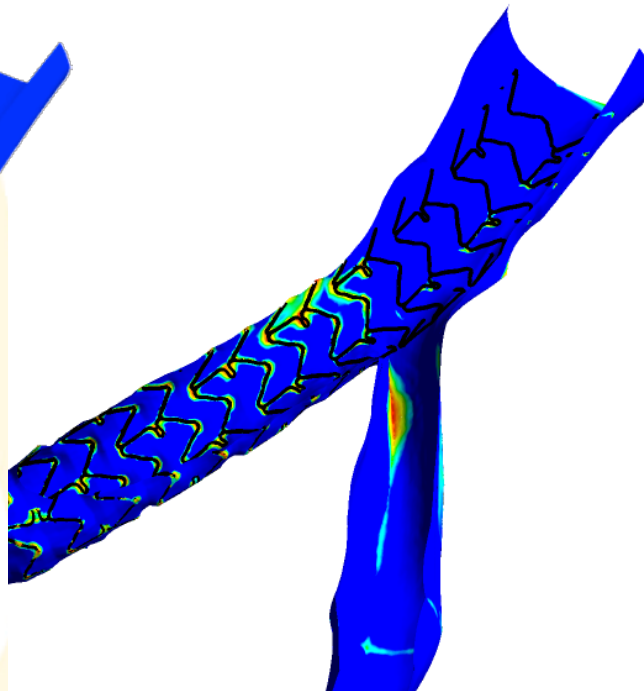
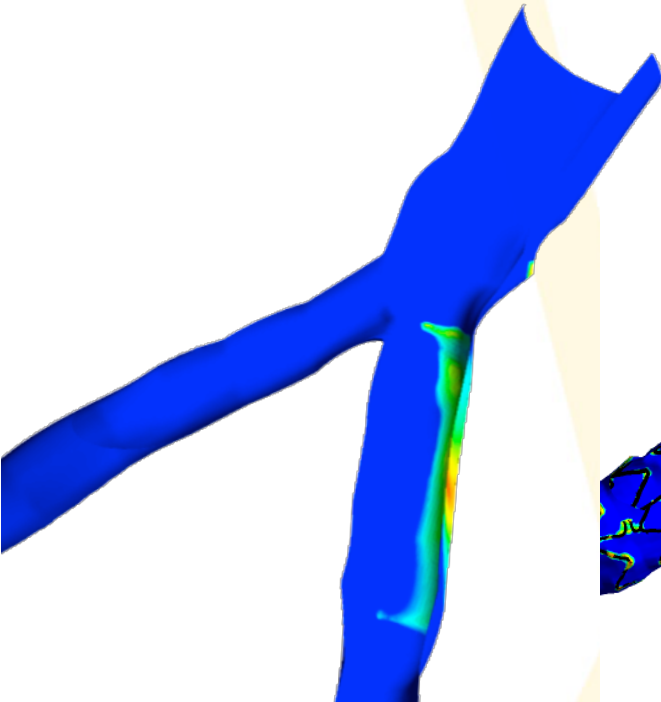
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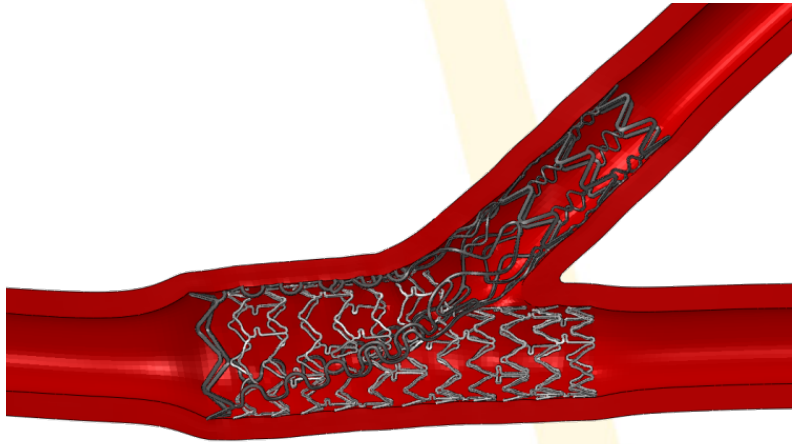


Conclusions (from EBC 2010)

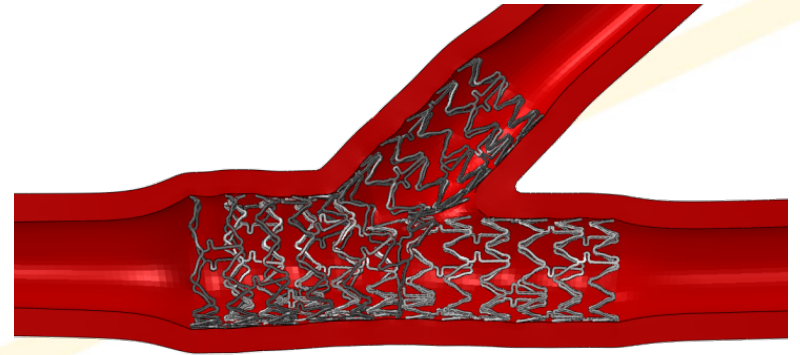
Towards (patient-specific) virtual interventional planning -
i.e. open problems for engineers:

- Material properties of the arterial wall and plaque
- Detailed anatomy from routine visualisation techniques –
i.e. beyond fluoroscopy
- Inlet flow curve and outlet pressure/flow split
- Short term prediction
- How to smoothly fit in the clinical workflow?

Dedicated vs standard devices

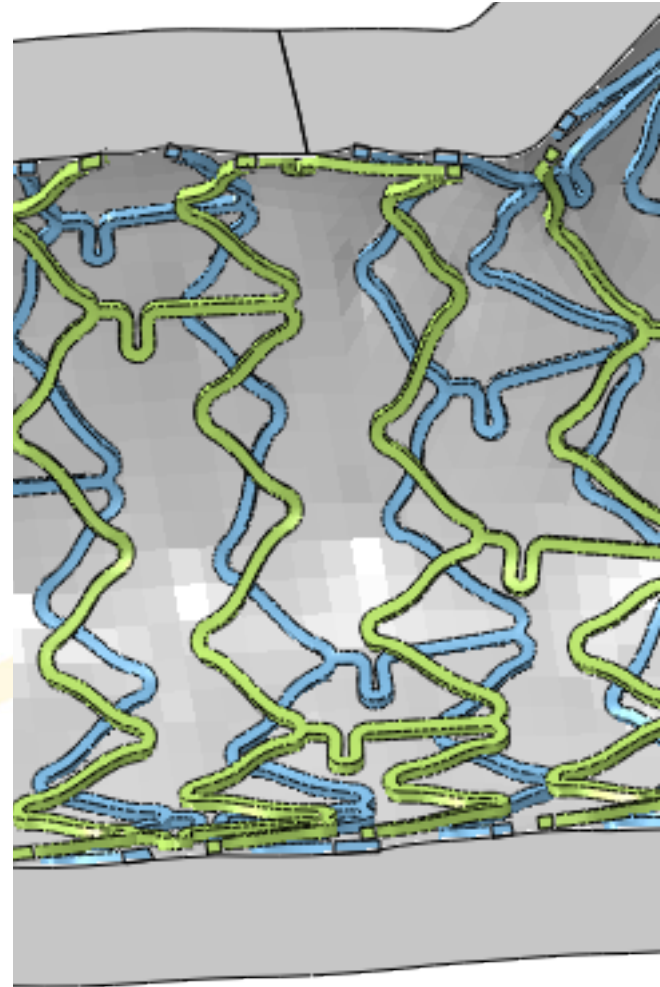
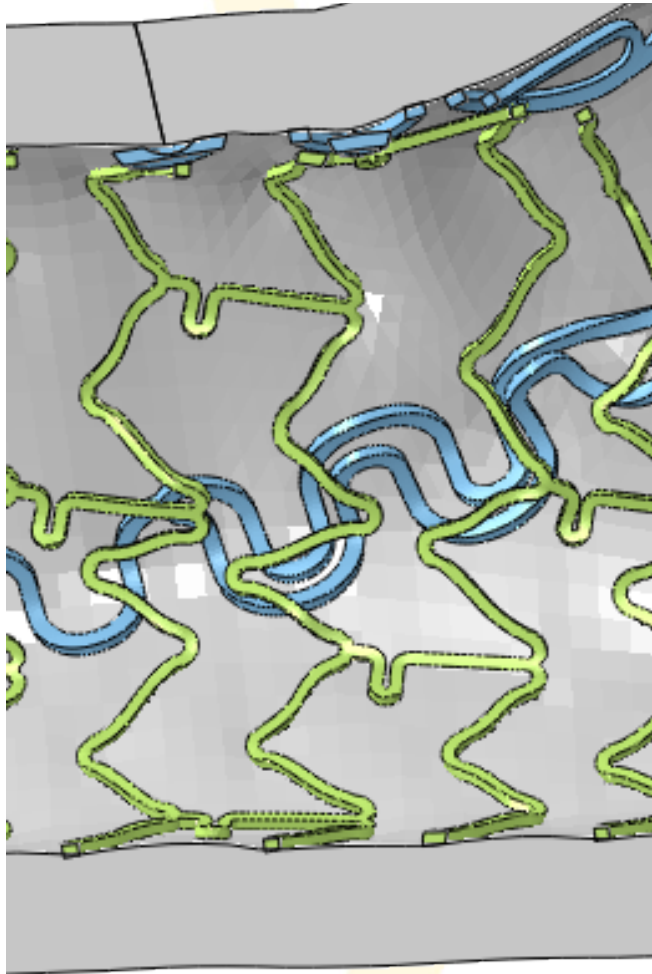


Dedicated device



Standard device

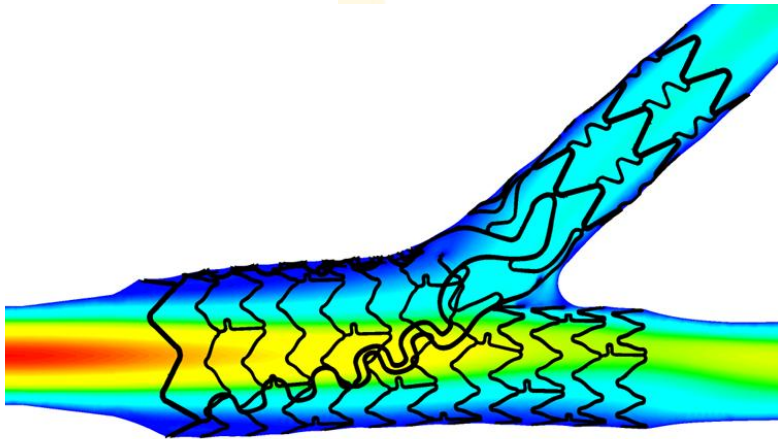
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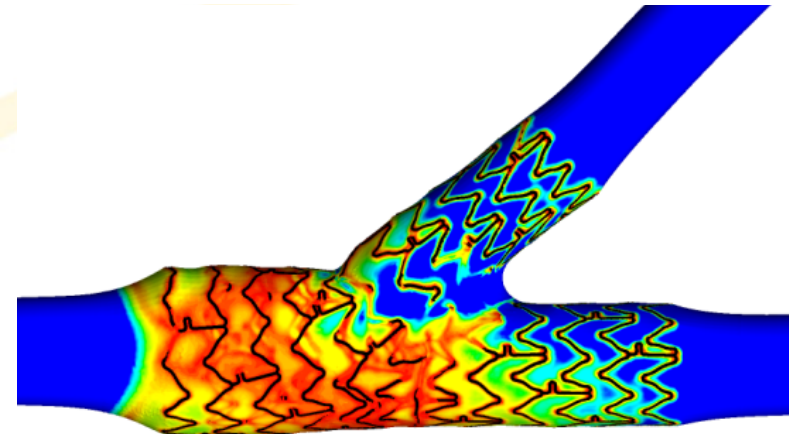
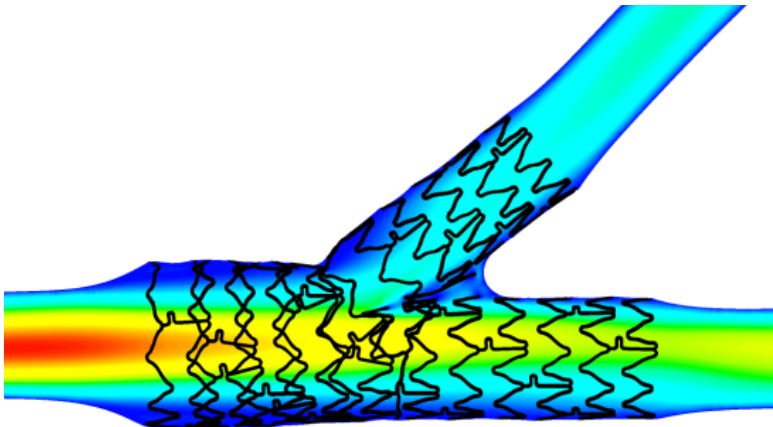
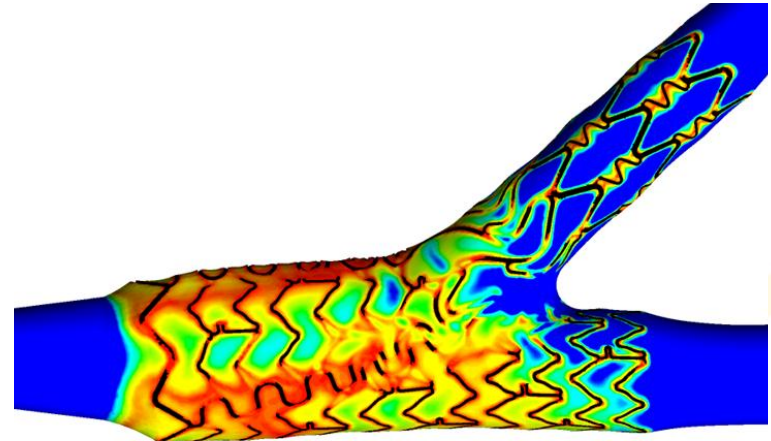
Velocity [m/s]

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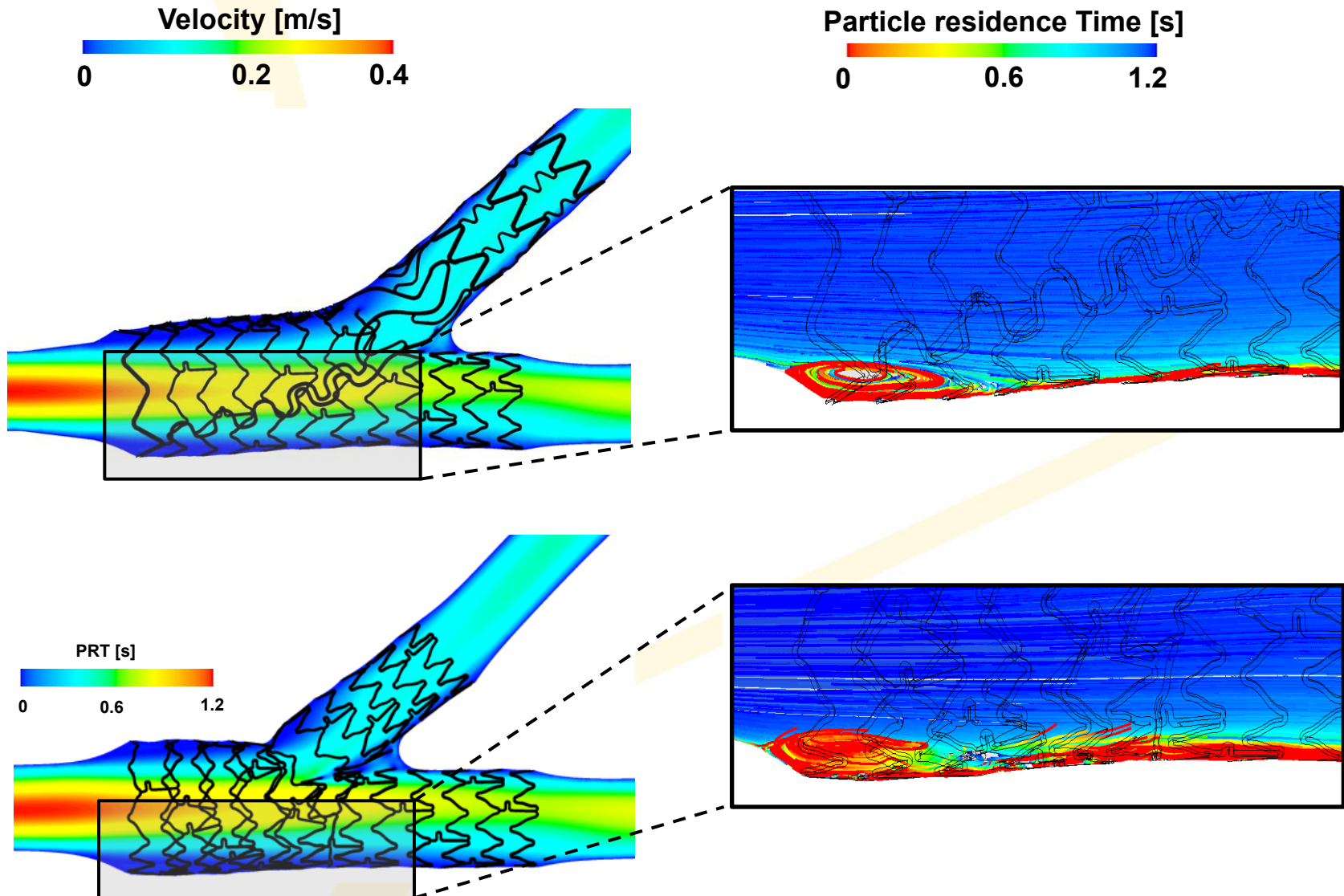


Wall Shear Stress [Pa]

0 0.25 0.5



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