Biology 427 Biomechanics Lecture23. Blood flow

- •Some course details -- posters et al.
- Recap tube flow



- •Problems of unsteadindess and pulsatile flows
- Blood flow and hematocrit variations
- Farheaus-Lindqvist effect
- Blood viscosity in the microcirculation

## Circular vessel of constant radius R



## $Q = \pi R^4 \Delta P/8\mu L$ Hagen-Poiseuille law





Factors:

tube shape, unsteadiness, secondary flows, turbulence and unique features of blood cells

Hagen-Poiseuille law 
$$Q = \pi R^4 \Delta P/(8\mu L)$$
  
 $\Delta P = Q 8\mu L/ (\pi R^4)$   
Shear stress  $\tau = -Q 2\mu/(\pi R^3)$ 

Equivalent lengths

- 1.0 straight tube
- 1.4 45 deg bend
- 1.4 T junction
- 2.5 90 deg. bend



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What does the velocity gradient look like as blood enters the constriction? Where is shear stress greatest?

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Turbulence and unsteadiness Womersely Number

$$Wo = \frac{\omega R^2}{v} = \frac{2\pi f R^2 \rho}{\mu}$$
  
when large, acceleration  
effects are important

- Ascending Aorta -- 13.2
- Descending Aorta -- 11.5
- Abdominal Aorta -- 8
- Femoral Artery -- 3.5
- Carotid Artery -- 4.4
- Arterioles --.04
- Capillaries -- 0.005
- Venules -- 0.035
- Inferior Vena Cava -- 8.8
- Main Pulmonary Artery -- 15

Poiseuille flow in a small tube: s the hematocrit in the tube

- a. 0.4
- b. less than 0.4
- c. greater than 0.4 why?



#### The Fahreaus-Lindqvist effect



cell migration towards core (Segré-Silberberg effect -- shear induced lift?)



slower flow and fewer cells per volume of fluid





## Entrance effects/plasma skimming



In this branched tube, is the hematocrit a. 0.4 b. greater than 0.4 c. less than 0.4 "cell free" layer near perimeter leads to greater plasma/volume (fewer rbc/ vol) in asymmetric branching vessels.

Cell deformations and secondary flows underlie significant increases in apparent viscosity

These deformations and flows may also underlie augmented flux of nutrients and gases!

Hosseini SM, Feng JJ. A particle-based model for the transport of erythrocytes in capillaries. Chemical Engineering Science 2009; 64:4488-97.

#### Blood viscosity varies with the shear stress



Oxygen flow rate ~  $\mathbf{Q} \phi = \pi \phi r^4 \Delta P/(8 \mu L)$ 



Gulliver, G. (1875). "On the size and shape of red corpuscles of the blood of vertebrates, with drawings of them to a uniform scale, and extended and revised tables of measurements". *Proceedings of the Zoological Society of London* **1875**: 474– 495.



72,000 individuals

## Point mutation in the hemoglobin $\beta$ gene

Sickled cells



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## Malaria modulates the modulus







## Anopheles



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Blood viscosity depends non-linearly on red blood cell concentration (  $\phi$  hematocrit) and Temperature



## Gametocytes







The pathogenicity of *Plasmodium falciparum* (*Pf*) malaria results from the stiffening of red blood cells (RBCs) and its ability to adhere to endothelial cells (cytoadherence). The dynamics of Pf-parasitized RBCs is studied by three-dimensional mesoscopic simulations of flow in cylindrical capillaries in order to predict the flow resistance enhancement at different parasitemia levels.

**D. A. Fedosov**, B. Caswell, S. Suresh, and G. E. Karniadakis, "Quantifying the biophysical characteristics of Plasmodium-falciparum-parasitized red blood cells in microcirculation", *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences USA*,, 2010.



# Pf155/RESA protein influences the dynamic microcirculatory behavior of ring-stage *Plasmodium falciparum* infected red blood cells

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