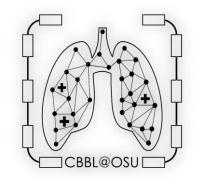




Computational Modeling Work in Targeted Pulmonary Drug Delivery

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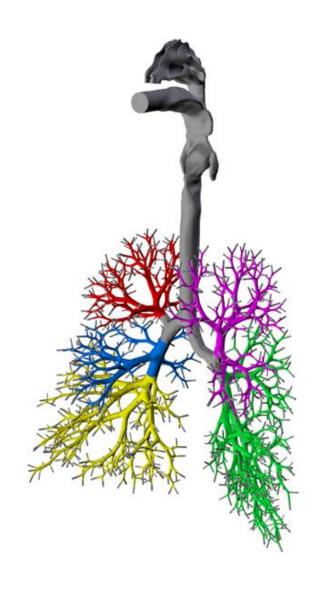
Motivations

Animal Studies and Clinical Studies

- Invasive
- Expensive
- Long Research Cycle
- Imaging Resolution Limitations

Alternative Methods

 In-Silico Studies based on the Natural Laws of Physics



Targeted Pulmonary Drug Delivery

Background

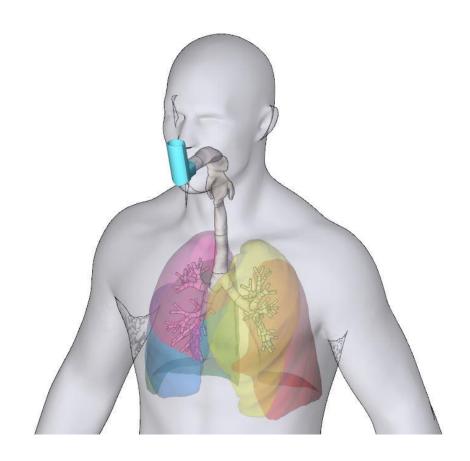
- Pulmonary Drug Delivery Advantages
- Low Efficiency Induced Side-effects

Goal

- Higher regional deposition efficiency
- Reduced side-effects

Preliminary Study Implications

- Low inhalation flow rate
- Refined release position



Governing Equations (Euler-Lagrange)

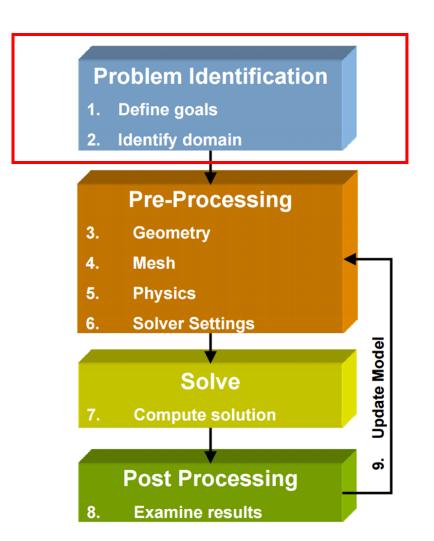
Primary Phase (Airflow)

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (\rho u_j)}{\partial x_j} = 0$$

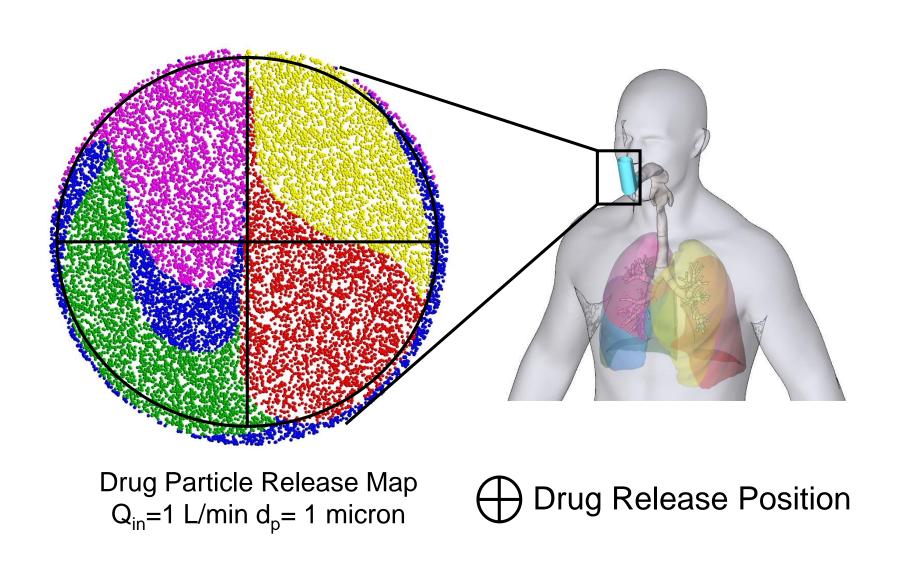
$$\frac{\partial(\rho u_i)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u_i u_j)}{\partial x_i} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial \tau_{ij}}{\partial x_i} + g_i$$

Secondary Phase (Pulmonary Drug Particles)

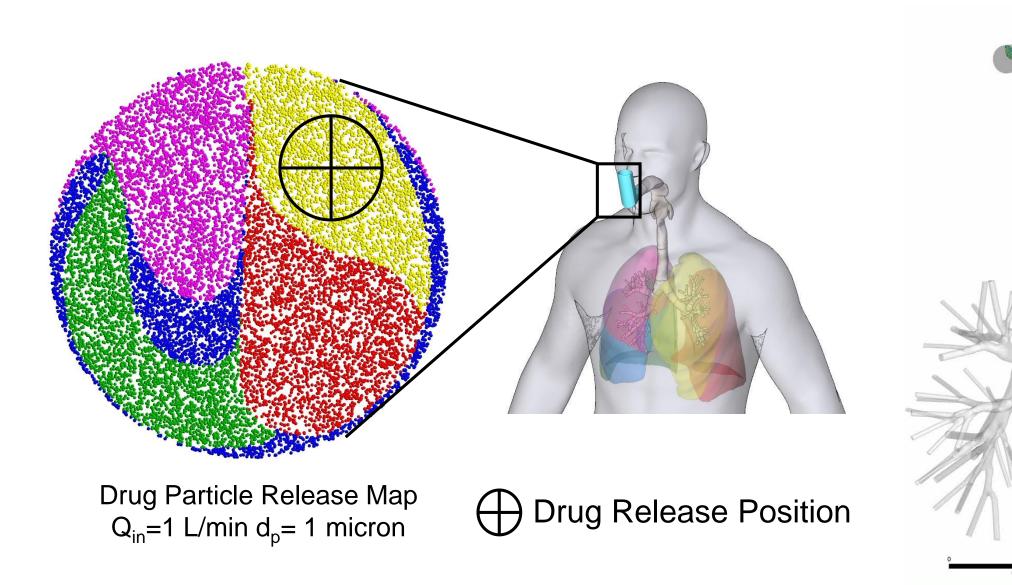
$$\frac{d}{dt}(m_p u_i^p) == F_i^D + F_i^L + F_i^{BM} + F_i^G$$



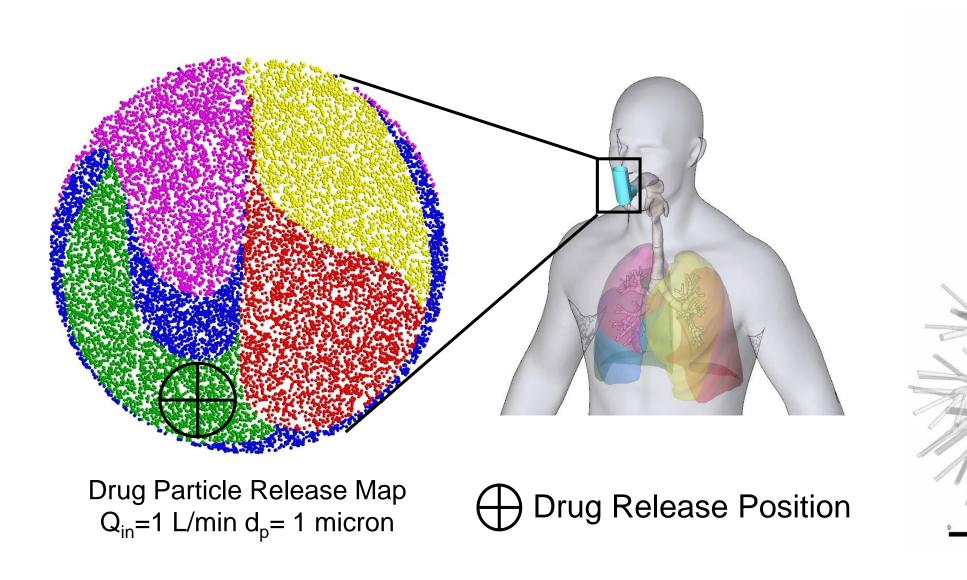
Conventional Pulmonary Drug Delivery



Targeted Pulmonary Drug Delivery (Left Upper Lobe)



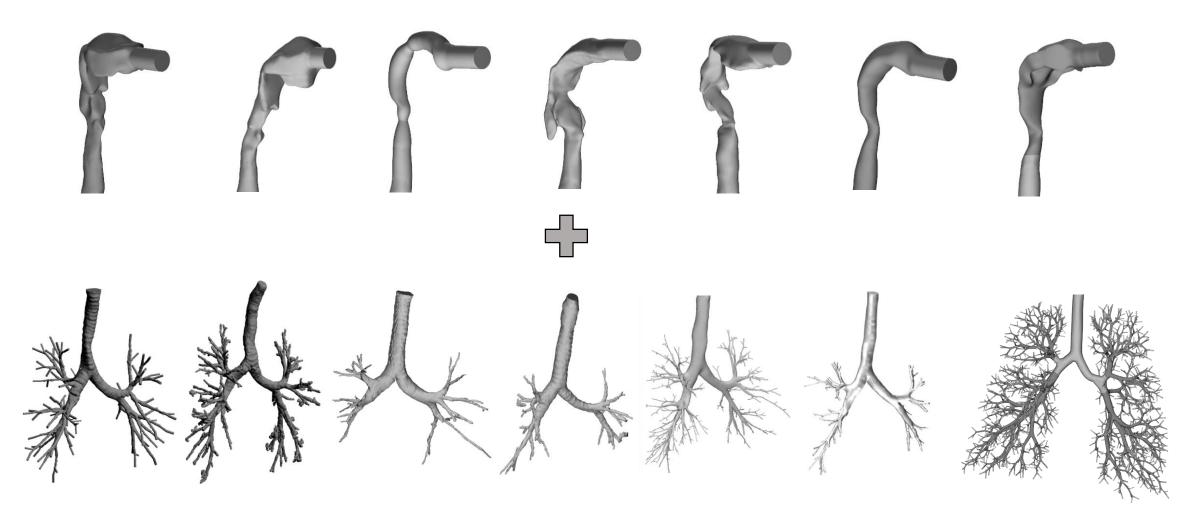
Targeted Pulmonary Drug Delivery (Right Lower Lobe)



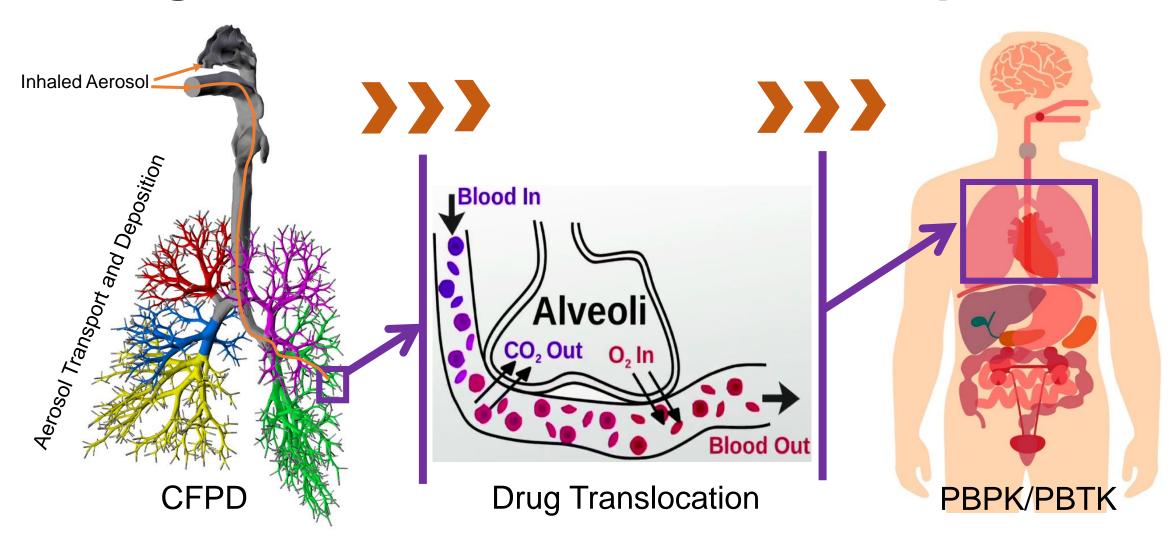
Challenges and Future Directions

- Intersubject Variability Study
 - CFPD Simulation Results with Error Bars
- Next-Generation Inhaler Design
 - Low Actuation Flow Rate
- Precise Treatment Plan
 - Fast and Accurate
 - Big Data and Machine Learning

Intersubject Variability Study



Bring the Simulation to Health Endpoints

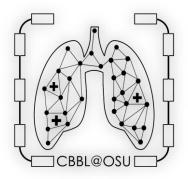






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