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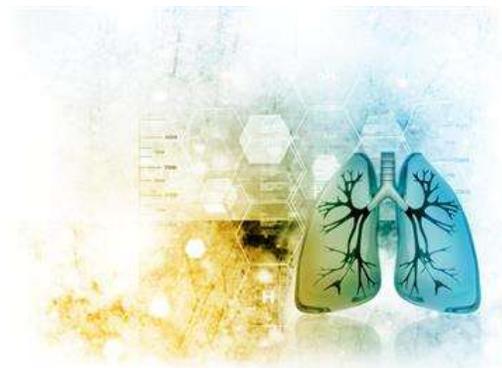
The characterisation and physical analysis of transport phenomena and liquid flow occurring in lungs are research topics of increasing interest in the mechanical engineering community. The purpose of this symposium on respiratory flows is to propose a general state-of-the-art of the research efforts ongoing on these topics. The presentation of clinical aspects related to the experimental, theoretical and numerical approaches is strongly encouraged, as well as biomedical applications.

The transport phenomena is closely related to the major health burden of respiratory diseases such as cystic fibrosis, severe asthma or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), which affect almost one billion of patients worldwide. Understanding and improving the treatments of these lung disorders implies to study the complex dynamics of the biochemical transfers in the bronchial tree, and improve the actual knowledge on several aspects such as the gas exchanges occurring at the epithelium surface, the rheological nature of bronchial mucus, and the coordinated beating of epithelial cilia transporting mucus for instance.

The liquid flow in lungs is related to the liquid ventilation of lungs which consists in ventilate lungs with a perfluorocarbon liquid (PFC). Clinicians favorably consider that liquid ventilation could provide radically new benefits in critically ill patients requiring lung lavage or ultra-fast cooling after cardiac arrest. The study of the fluid flow and heat exchange in PFC-filled lungs is a radically new research topic.

A non exhaustive list of potential contributions includes:

- Advanced experimental, analytical and numerical tools dedicated to airway modelling.
- Biophysical mechanisms involved in the gas exchanges in lungs;
- Airway clearance devices for patients suffering from COPD, asthma or cystic fibrosis;
- Dynamics and breaking of liquid plugs in the bronchial tree;
- Flow and particle deposition in airways with bifurcations;
- Physics and hydrodynamics mechanisms of mucociliary clearance;
- Characterization of the non-Newtonian rheology of bronchial mucus;
- Microfluidic airway models;
- Liquid flow limitation in airways;
- Pulmonary repartition of liquid;
- Effects of total liquid ventilation;
- Heat transfers in lungs;
- Control of liquid flow in airways;
- Lung lavage by total liquid ventilation;
- Hypothermia induction by total liquid ventilation...



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