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**Modelling the human cardiovascular system with
the incompressible Navier-Stokes equations**

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Abstract

The recent development of supercomputing technologies has enabled the development of some fast methods for solving the incompressible Navier-Stokes equations to model blood flows in the human cardiovascular system with clinical accuracy. Such computational methods offer a new generation of techniques to predict the health of the cardiovascular system and help the diagnosis of certain diseases such as high blood pressure, and heart attack. These high-fidelity full-body numerical computations also provide insights into the optimal or sub-optimal states of the health of the human cardiovascular system and suggest ways to improve and maintain a healthy lifestyle.

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