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References for flow rate/Shear Stress on cells: The Biological Range.

I have decided to put ranges of flow rates to each cell type. Defining the range of shear stress is a bit tricky; it depends on scaffold geometry. As you will see, all porous structures are different from publication to publication, making shear variable and subjective. I am providing a book chapter where the scaffold was tested. One can make an educated guess using the book chapter to determine shear values on scaffold type and flow direction. Disclaimer: In the book chapter, the flow is along the length of the scaffold from left to right. In the bioreactor the flow is from bottom to top.

Literature

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Influence of flow rate and scaffold pore size on cell behavior during mechanical stimulation in a flow perfusion bioreactor.

[McCoy RJ](#), [Jungreuthmayer C](#), [O'Brien FJ](#).

Source

Department of Anatomy, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, 123 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2, Ireland; telephone: +353-1-402-2149; fax: +353-1-402-2355; Trinity Centre for Bioengineering, Trinity College Dublin, Dublin, Ireland.

(Note: there is the effect of mechanical stimulation as a function of scaffold pore size and flow rate. I have provided a book chapter along with the PDF library that can give a starting point for researchers who want to explore other 3D pore sizes and flow rates).

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Fluid flow increases mineralized matrix deposition in 3D perfusion culture of marrow stromalosteoblasts in a dose-dependent manner.

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(Note: flow rates at 0.3, 1, and 3-ml/min. For velocity cm/min, the disk had a cross-section area of 0.785 cm². Velocity = (ml/min)/area = 0.38, 1.27, and 3.8-cm/min. PDF is available in literature folder) **PDF in file.**

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In vitro generated extracellular matrix and fluid shear stress synergistically enhance 3D osteoblastic differentiation.

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(Note: disk were 0.8-cm diameter for an area of 0.50 cm². The flow rate is 1-ml/min. The velocity is: 2-cm/min.(PDF is available in literature folder). **PDF in file.**

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Age Dimension Research Center, National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST), Tsukuba, Ibaraki, Japan.

(Note: pre-culture of cells in bioreactor, following in vivo implantation is better than direct in vivo implantation. Related to Biomimetic coated scaffold. Flow rate: 2 ml/hour or 0.033 ml/min).

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(Note: 0.1-1.5 ml/min lower limit enhanced proliferation only 1.4 times and upper limit enhanced osteogenesis and proliferation).

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Integration of Experimental and Computational Microfluidics in 3D Tissue Engineering

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Strategies for Enhancing the Accumulation and Retention of Extracellular Matrix in Tissue-Engineered Cartilage Cultured in Bioreactors

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Effects of Initial Seeding Density and Fluid Perfusion Rate on Formation of Tissue-Engineered Bone

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Bioreactor Systems for Bone Tissue Engineering

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Engineering bone tissue from human embryonic stem cells

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Table I. Compile of fluid velocities and biological effect ton cell types.

<i>Cell Type</i>	<i>Fluid Velocity (cm/min)</i>	<i>Biological Effect</i>
Osteoblast (2, 3)	0.3	Early Proliferation
Osteoblast (2, 3)	2.5-4.8	Late Mineralization
Mesenchymal Stem Cells (8)	0.3-0.6	Proliferation
Human Chondrocytes (7)	0.04 – 0.11	GAG Retention
Embryonic Stem Cells (8)	0.3 – 3.2	For Differentiation