Research collaboration and knowledge sharing in the pharmaceutical domain

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PharmaHUB mission

- Resource for collaboration and sharing:
 - Science and engineering research on innovations in pharmaceutical manufacturing
 - Information, knowledge, modeling & decision support tools for drug product & process design
 - Educational materials & experiences for education and training of pharmaceutical engineers & scientists
- Sharing of R&D and educational output of national projects
 - NSF ERC Structured Organic Particulate Systems
 - National Institute for Pharmaceutical Technology & Education (FDA support)

pharmaHUB background

- NSF EVO seed project: Oct 2007-09
 - Build prototype based on partnership with HUBzero team
 - Share with ERC CSOP & NIPTE community
 - Build community

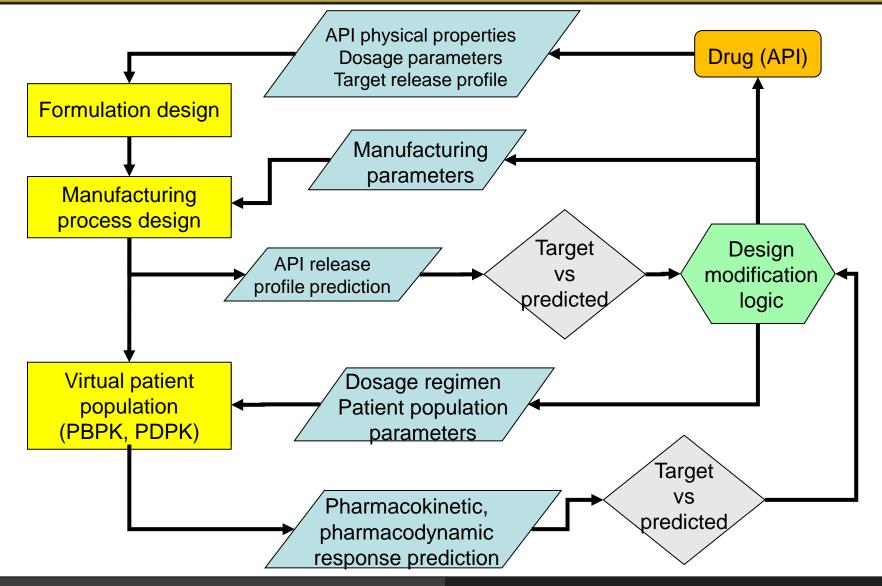
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- Develop design & plan for "production" version
- NSF CDI Type II grant: Oct 2009-2013
 - Implement "production" version with expanded content
 - Address complete product development cycle
 - Implement additional Hub functionalities , e.g., work flow

Cyber-enabled Product Development

- Expansion of HUB functionalities
 - Work flow execution & management
 - Improved data visualization
- Unit operations library expansion
 - E.g., tableting, roller compaction, blending
- Product performance simulations
 - 2D and 3D Tablet Dissolution simulation
- Virtual patient population
 - Bayesian approach to Pharmacokinetic & Pharmacodynamic models
 - Case studies involving 5 models drugs

Cyber-enabled product development framework



Excipients Knowledge Base

 Establish an information system used to maintain values of fundamental pharmaceutical excipient material properties, and which contains models, best practices, and methods for using this data in the systematic design of pharmaceutical products and processes.

Pharmaceutical Excipients

- Non-pharmacologically active portion of the dosage form
 - used in virtually all drug products.
 - various functional purposes depending on formulation and manufacturing
- Chemical and physical properties are critical to manufacturing, stability, and performance of drug products
- Often derived from natural products, synthetically modified natural products, or completely synthetic
 - available from a multitude of sources
 - properties may vary from lot-to-lot, vendor-to-vendor, and even within a lot
 - property variations are often result in production problems and product failures

Different Grades from Different Manufacturers

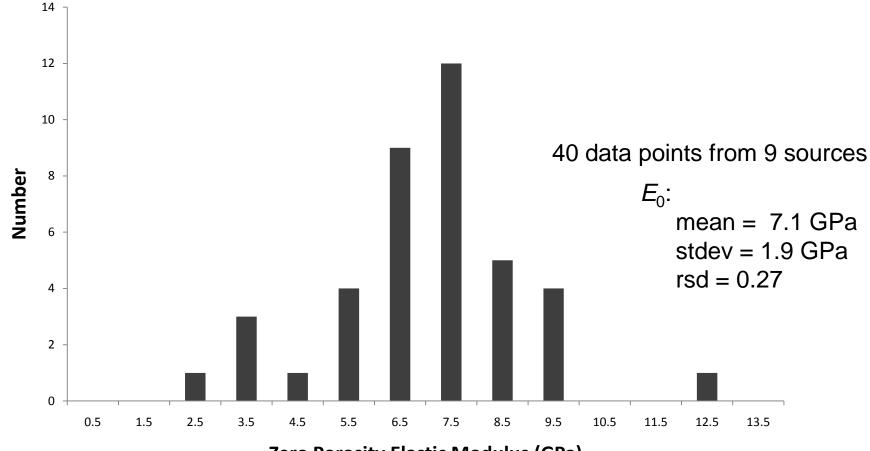
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AKC = Asahi Kasei Corporation

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JRS	Emcocel 50M	00		0.25-0.37	
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	KG-802	50	2.0-6.0	0.12	
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150	Vivapur 102	100		0.28-0.33	
JRS	Emcocel 90M	100		0.25-0.37	
AKC	PH-102	90	2.0-6.0	0.30	

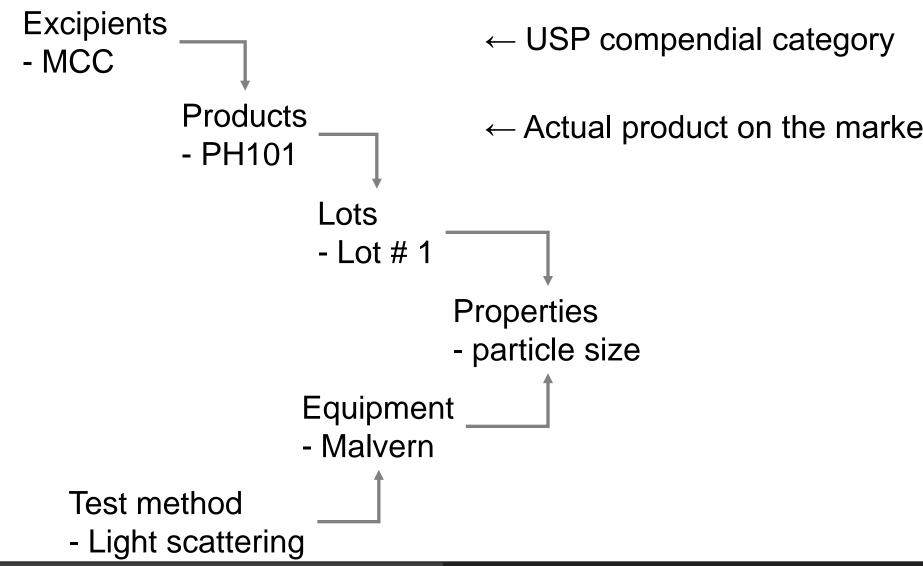
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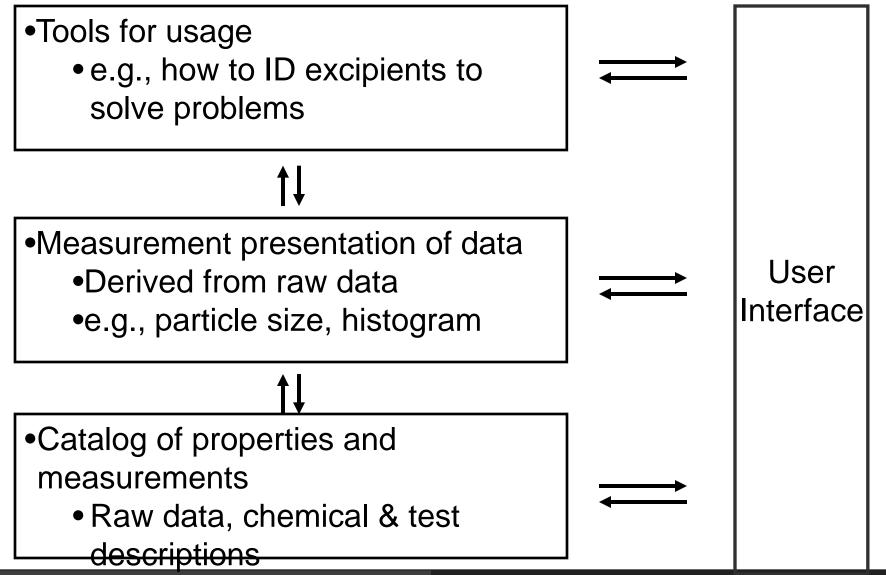
Zero Porosity Elastic Modulus (GPa)

Variation due to natural variation, testing method, other? Need standardized, trustworthy source of data.

Database Structure



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Explore the NIPTE Excipients Knowledge Base

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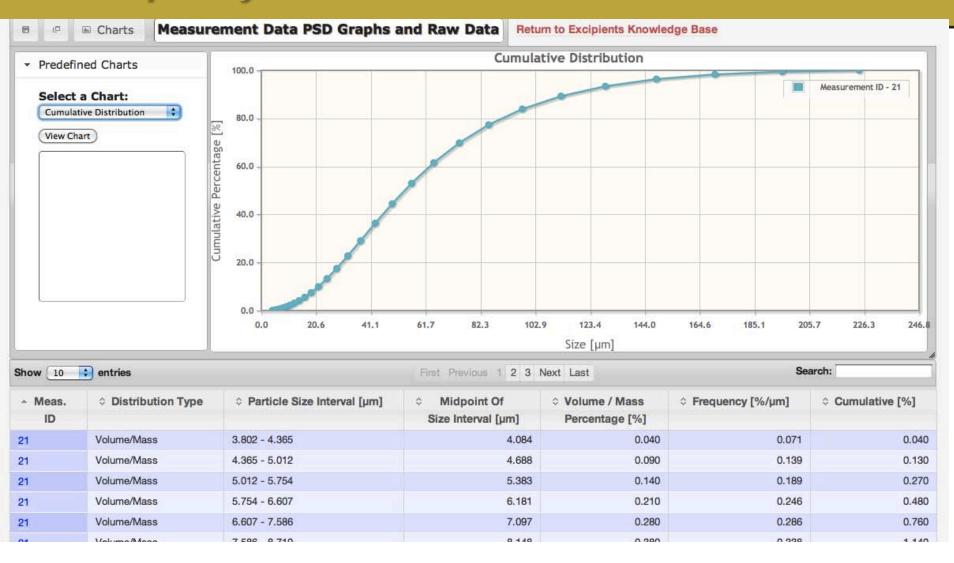
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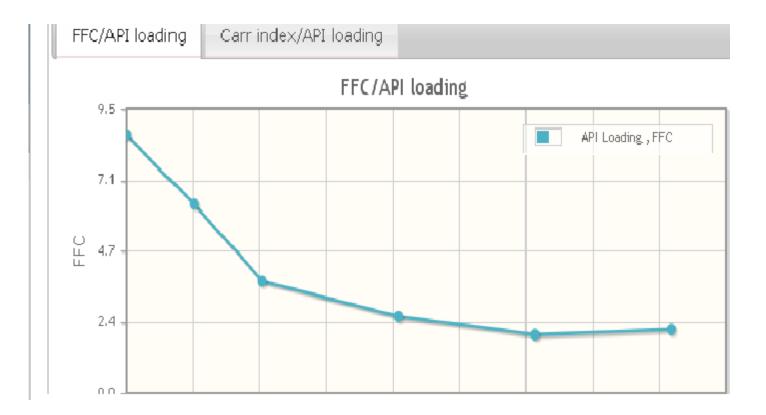
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Property retrieval



Powder Flow Database

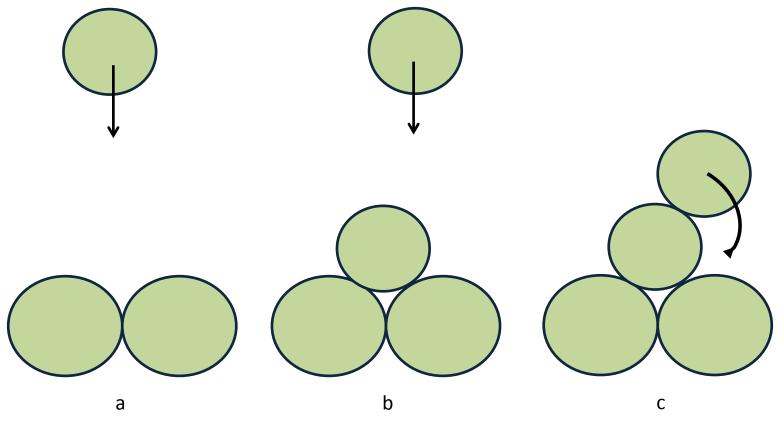


Die-filling

- Die-filling refers to the process of deposition of powder into the dies of a tablet press for subsequent compaction.
- Die-filling can affect tablet weight and, therefore, dosage form
- The quality of die-filling depends on the cohesiveness of the powder blend.
- Cohesive powders form meta-stable ring-like void structures
- The heterogeneous structure of the powder bed, resulting from pouring cohesive powders affects the process of compaction
- The mechanical properties of the compressed tablets will be affected by local low-density regions created during diefilling.

Ballistic deposition

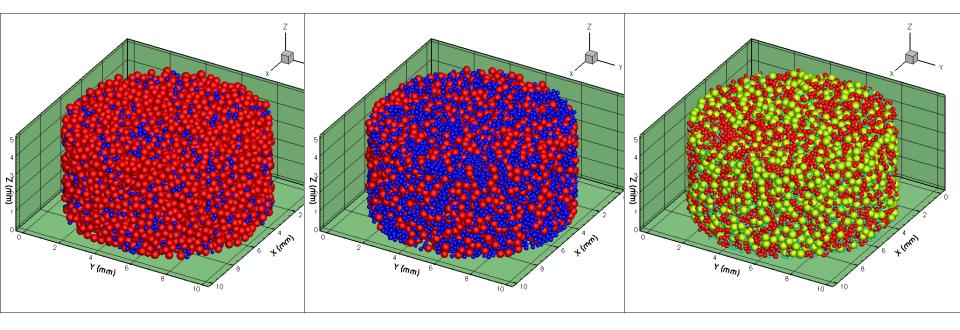
- Powder is deposited into the die one particle at a time.
- Once another particle is encountered the original particle starts rolling down until it reaches a stable configuration.
- Depending on the powder cohesiveness modeled, particle configurations are considered "stable" at different contact angles



Powder Bed Generation

The ballistic deposition approach has been used to generate realistic powder beds consisting of multiple components with different size distributions.

a 2D version of the model is implemented on PharmaHub.

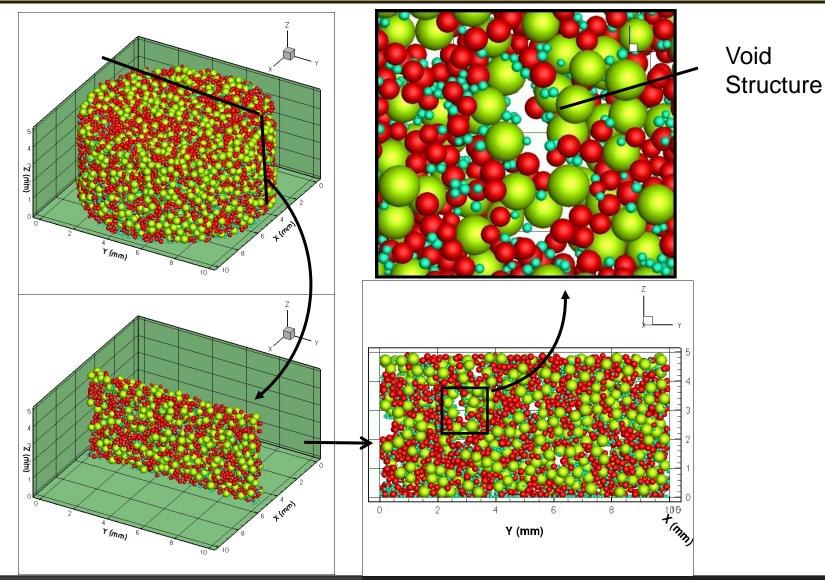


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3 components 9% active, 2% additive

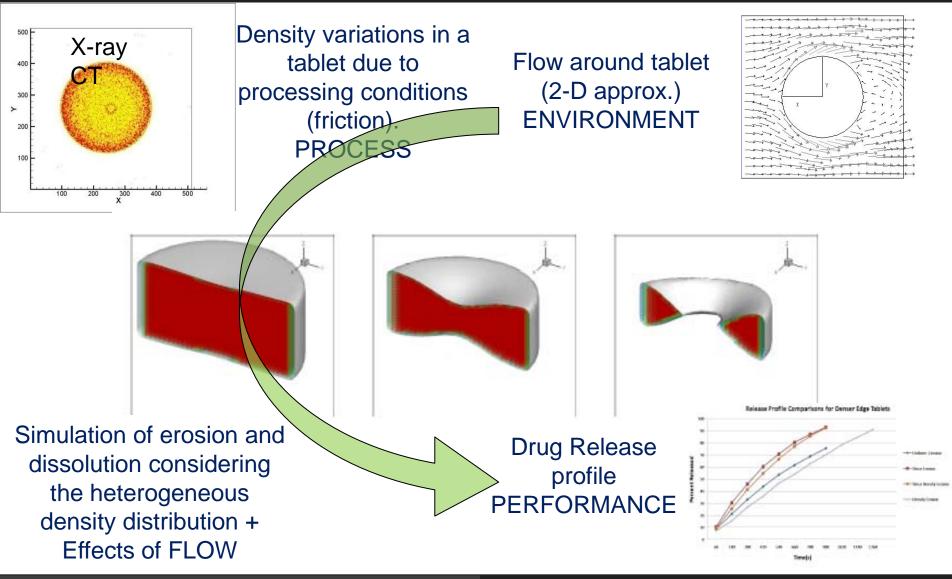
Powder Bed Structure



Dissolution

- To develop and test a design tool which is able to numerically model the dissolution of solid drug dosage forms.
- Users will be able to access tool via Pharmahub portal and after entering measurable properties of dosage, simulate dissolution
- Data from powder processing and environmental conditions are incorporated

Process – Environment – Performance



Physics Based Dissolution Engine

- The dissolution tool simulates multiple processes simultaneously
 - Track location of dosage/fluid interface and update BCs
 - Track progression of solvent absorption through excipient matrix
 - Calculate API dissolution at particle level considering surface to volume ratio and current surrounding solvent concentration
 - Model drug release as diffusion of drug solute out of excipient matrix

Tablet Model

- Tablet represented on Cartesian grid
 - Each cell is assigned:
 - Number and size of particles
 - Active particle dissolution coefficient
 - Solvent penetration coefficient
 - Distance to nearest tablet surface
- Values assigned as simple concentrations radii and representative coefficients
- Tablet/Bulk fluid interface handled via level set
 - Moving boundary conditions
 - Erosion type can be
 - Uniform
 - Density based
 - Fluid-Shear influenced

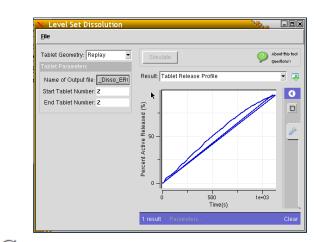
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Pharmahub input gui for tablet dissolution

Simple depiction of solvent penetration over defined grid

Internal Dissolution

- Solvent Penetration
 - Modeled using finite differencing method
 - Represented as cell based volume fraction of solvent
 - Influences rate of active particle diffusion
 - Incorporates moving tablet surface
- Particle Dissolution
 - Solved as diffusion of a sphere
 - Influenced by surrounding solvent and solute concentrations
 - Reduction in volume considered as release
- Solute Diffusion
 - Dissolved drug diffuses based on Fick's second law
 - Represents clearance of dissolved drug from tablet



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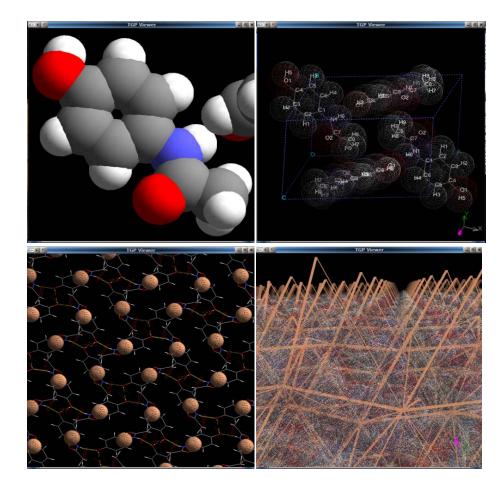
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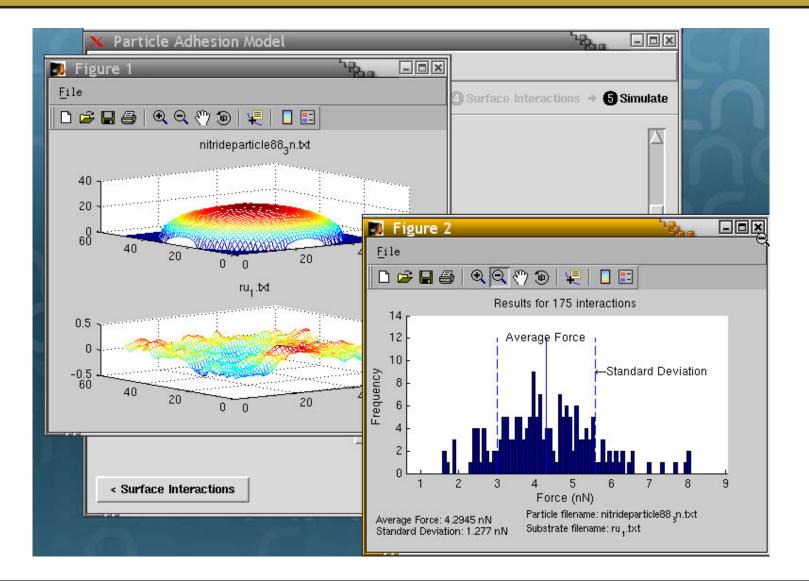
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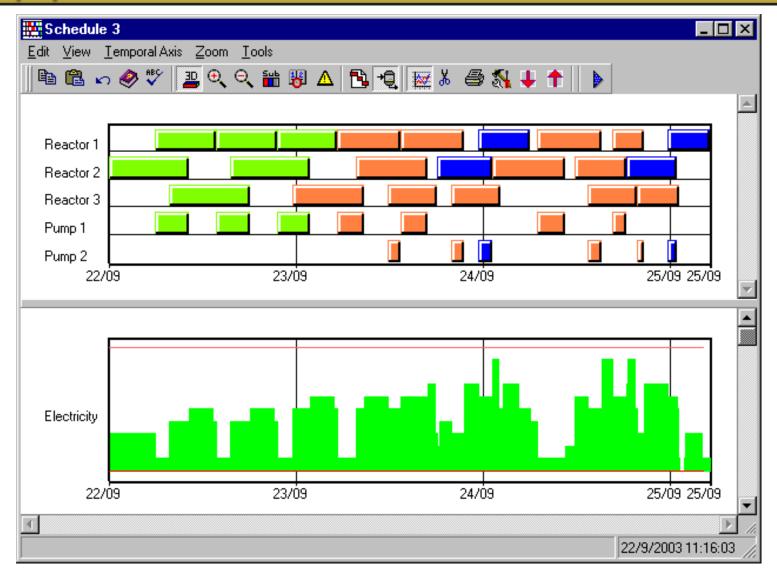
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Particle adhesion simulation



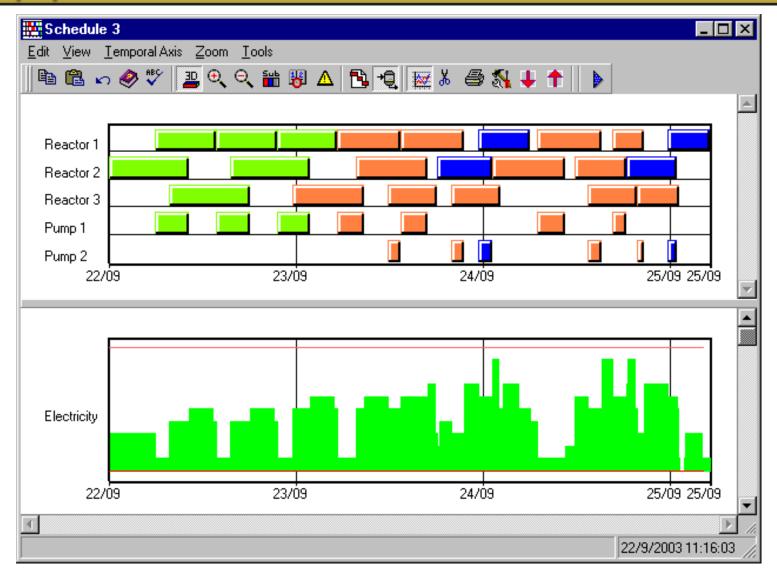
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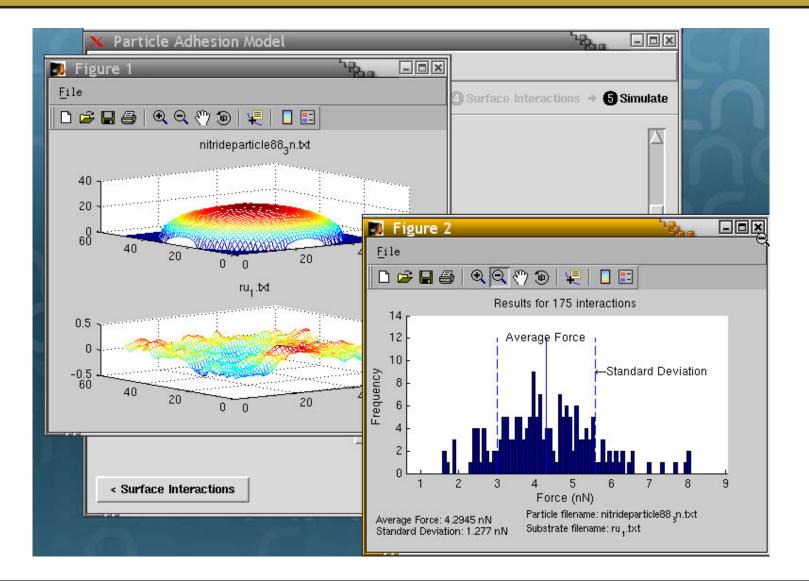
Sample of available courses (80)

- 1. Statistical model building and design of experiments
- 2. Computational methods for molecular crystals
- 3. Visualization of molecular crystals
- 4. Discrete element method (DEM)
- 5. Characterization of nanopharmaceutical materials
- 6. Colloids and surfactants
- 7. Liquid mixing fundamentals
- 8. Sterilization and disinfection
- 9. Mixing Equipment and Processes
- 10. API Process Unit Operations Development and Design
- 11. Pharmaceutical Bulk Drug Production
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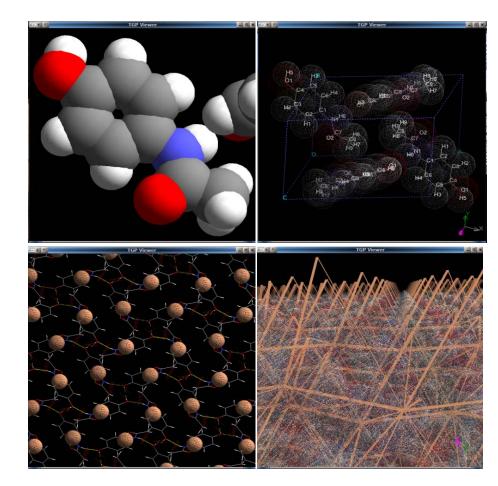
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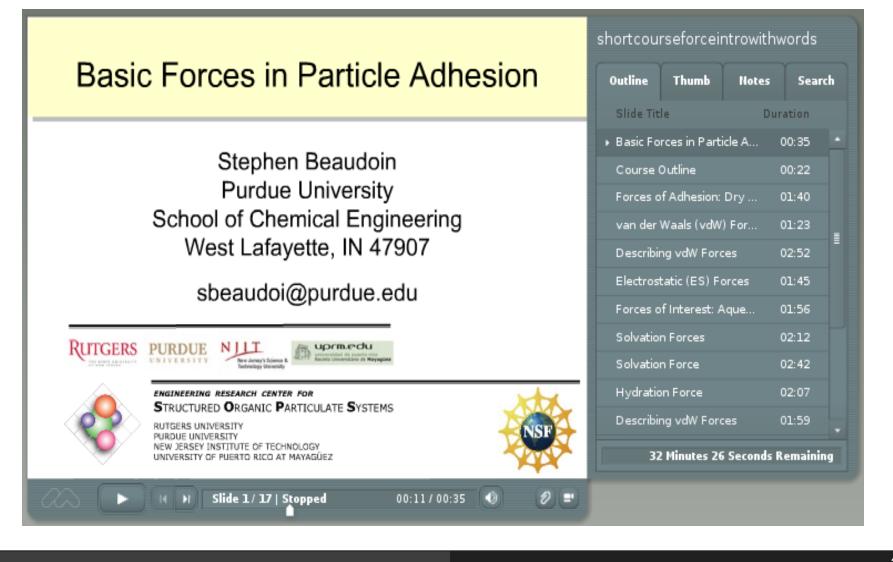
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Online presentations



Final remarks

- HUBzero technology has been well received as a very flexible framework for both users & contributors
- NSF ERC program views HUB technology very favorably:
 - Important vehicle for making ERC work products accessible broadly (K-12, university, industry & FDA)
 - Workshop advertised across ERC programs
- Growing functional capabilities will enhance future value
 - Workflow management & workflow templates
 - Data management of successive utilizations of tools
 - Management of large numbers of repetitive runs (Markov Chain Monte Carlo)
 - Enhanced visualization capabilities
 - Data handling capabilities

Thanks for your attention!

