

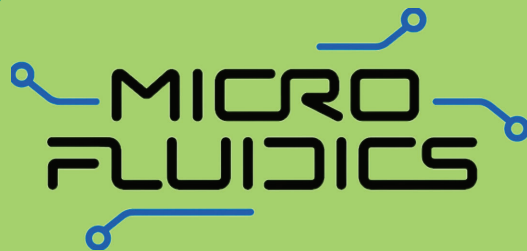
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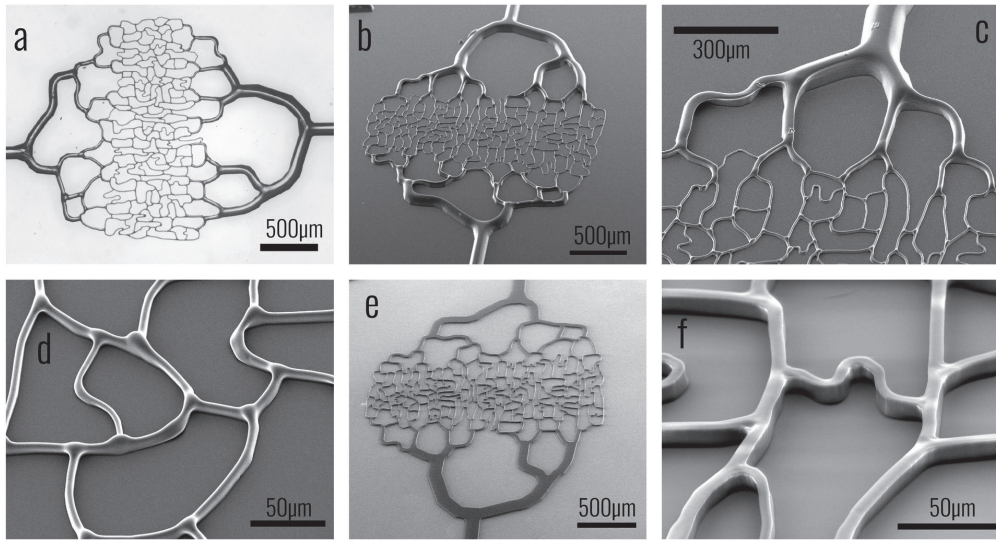


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Introduction to microfluidics



tree leaf under microscope

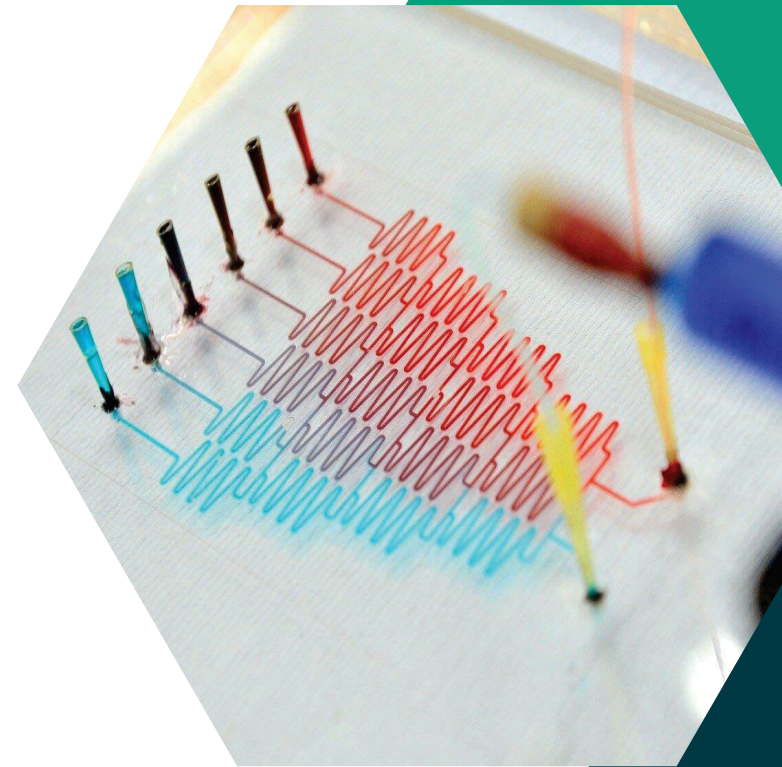
Microfluidic blood vessel



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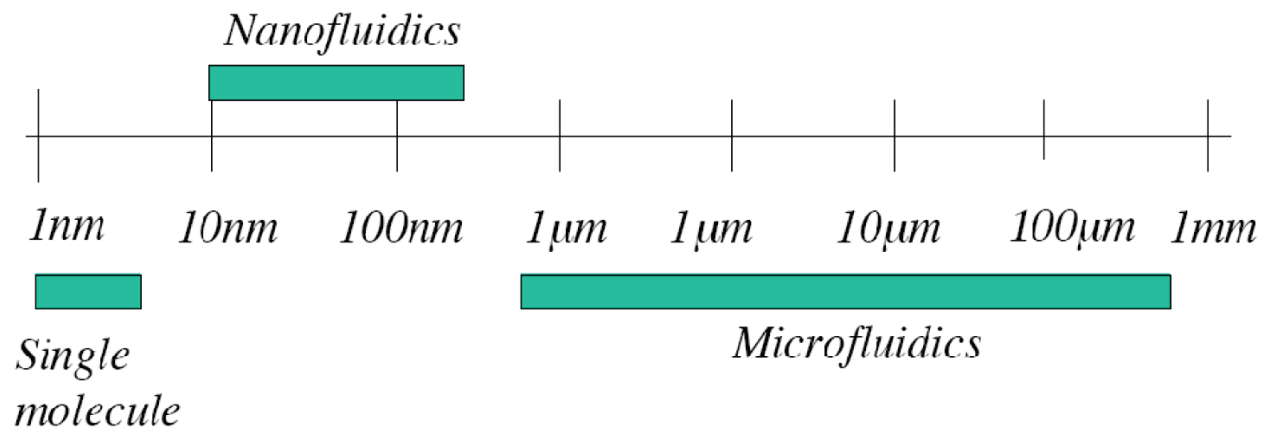
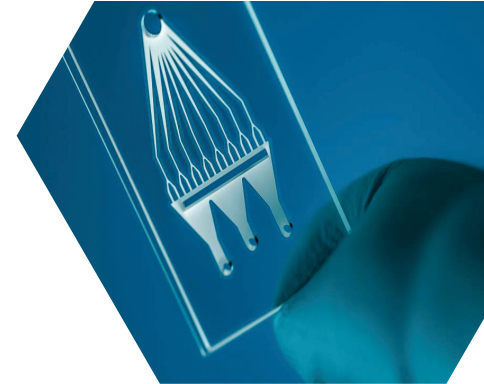
What is microfluidics?

Microfluidics is the study of manipulating fluids on the microscale, typically on the order of **micrometers (μm) or even smaller**. It is a **multidisciplinary field** that encompasses the design, fabrication, and analysis of miniature devices used to control, transport, and analyze tiny quantities of fluids.



Introduction to microfluidics

The dimensions of microchannels in microfluidics vary widely depending on the **specific application and the desired flow rate and mixing efficiency**. However, in general, microchannels typically range from **a few micrometers to a few tens of micrometers** in depth, width, and height.



Introduction to microfluidics

1-Why should we use microfluidic methods?

2-Why should we work on a micro scale?

3-What are the advantages of scaling down that we go for these methods?

4-Why don't we do laboratory work in a larger volume and work on a microliter scale?

5-What challenges and limitations are associated with scaling down laboratory processes to the microfluidic level?



Introduction to microfluidics

Advantage of microfluidics

Faster reaction times

Increased analytical sensitivity

Enhanced control and automation

Integration and multifunctionality

Reduced sample and reagent usage

Portability

Biocompatibility

Environmental sustainability

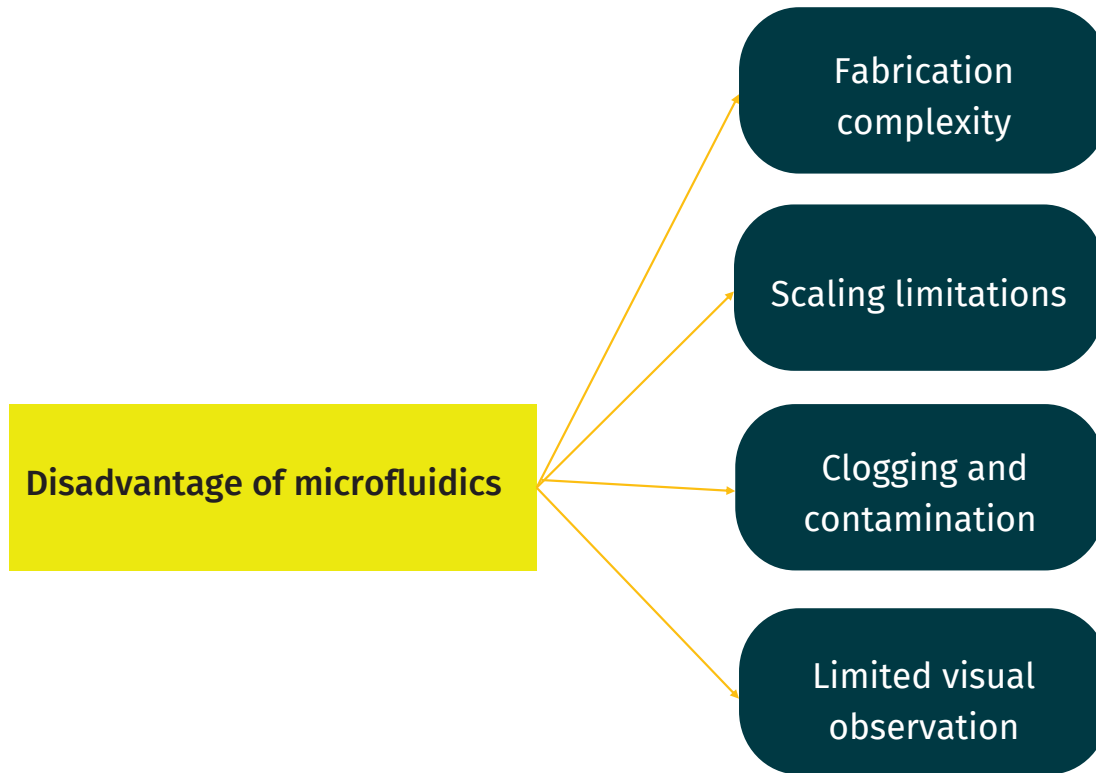
Limited sample availability

Cost-effectiveness



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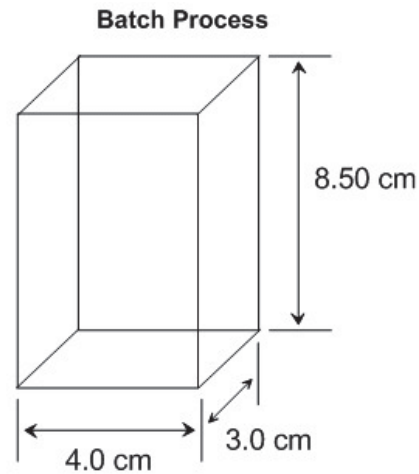
Physics of microfluidics

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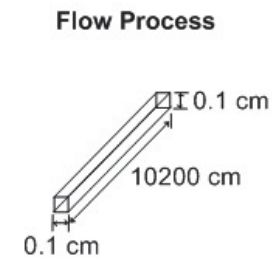
properties in microfluids differ significantly from the "normal state" of bulk fluids

due to the extremely small dimensions (micrometers) of microfluidic channels

Dominant Surface Forces
Heat and Mass Transfer
Capillary forces



volume (V) = 102 cm³
wall area (A) = 126 cm²
 $A/V = 1.24 \text{ cm}^{-1}$



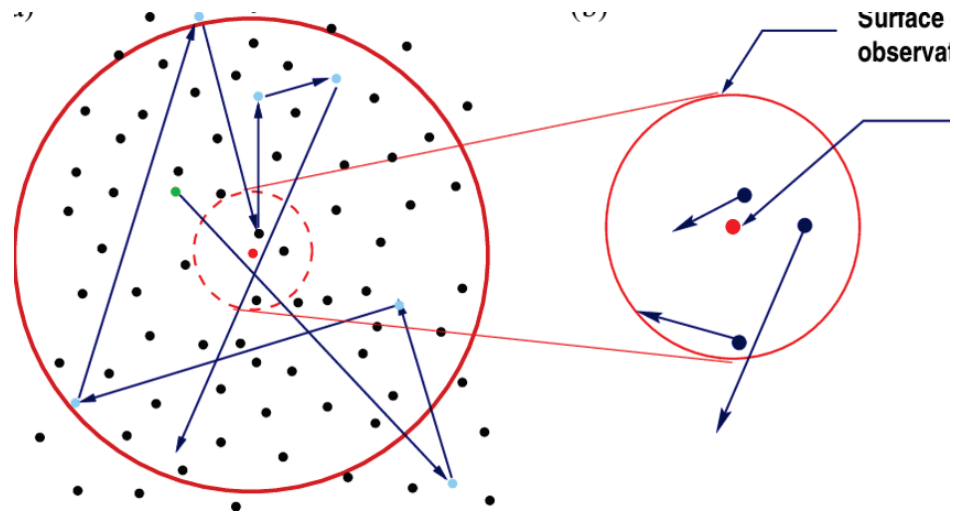
volume (V) = 102 cm³
wall area = 4080 cm²
 $A/V = 40 \text{ cm}^{-1}$



Physics of microfluidics

Non-Continuum

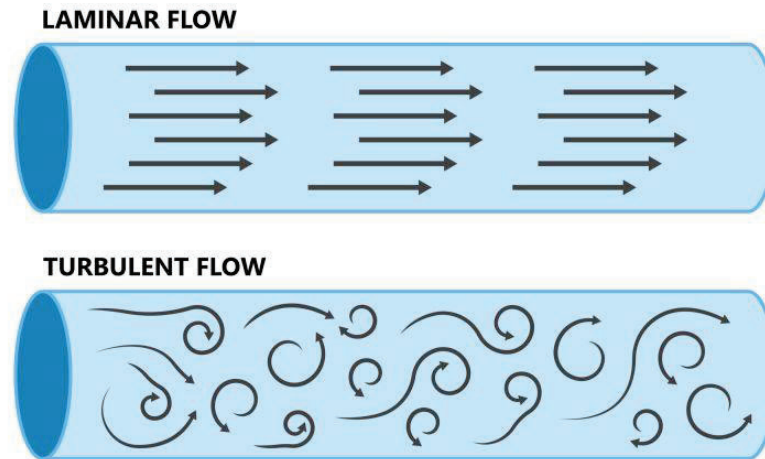
mean free path (MFP)



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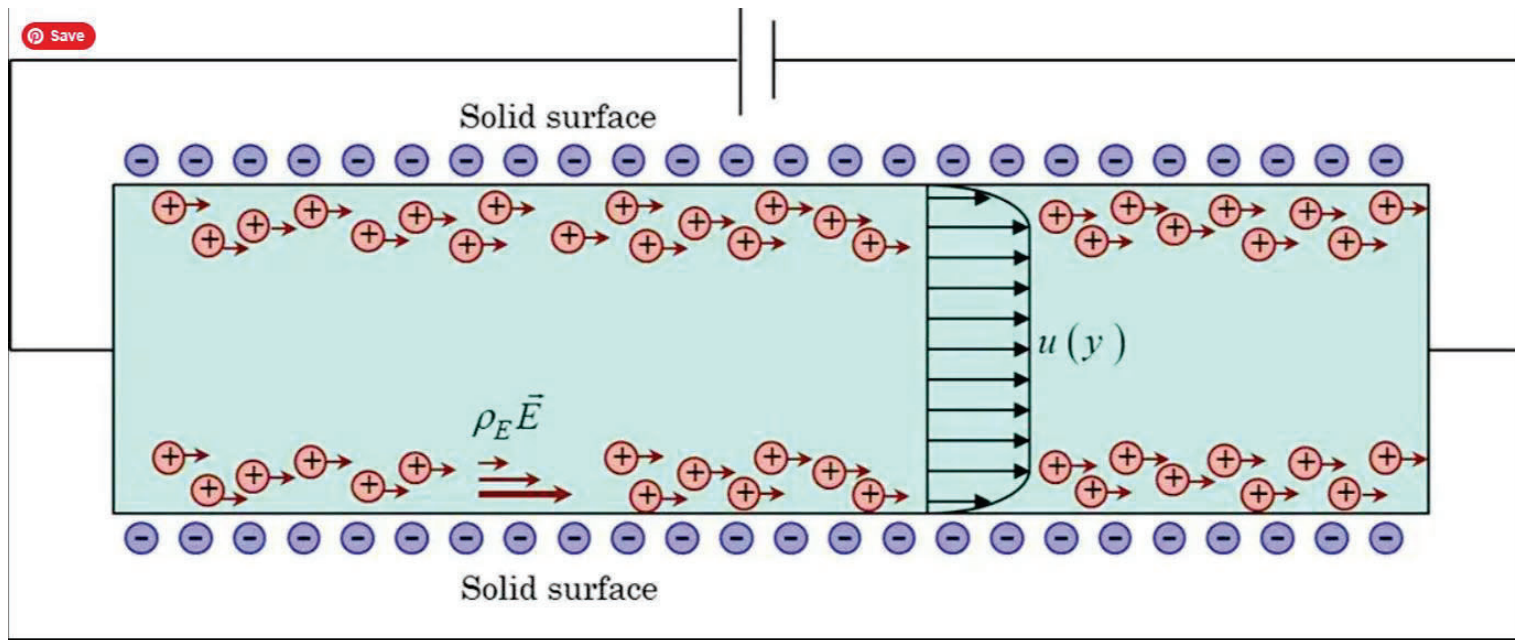
Laminar Flow and Mixing

$$Re = \frac{\nu D \rho}{\mu}$$



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Electrokinetic phenomena



Microchips design

Types of Microfluidic Devices Configurations

In microfluidic devices, the channel design will depend on the device's function, and devices can come up with various types of channels. Some types of channels are straight, **Y-form, T-junction, spiral, cross-junction, flow-focusing, division, serpentine, and microchambers**. Devices with spiral and Y channels are commonly used for separations (although Y channels are used for combining fluids as well). To carry out the mixing of fluids, a serpentine design is employed, and the division channels are used for splitting fluids. T-junction, cross-junctions, and flow-focusing are commonly used in microdroplet devices, and in microchambers, physical, chemical, and biological reactions are performed

