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# Education

- **Ph.D.** in Computational Biomedical Engineering, KU Leuven, Belgium Sep 2018 Now Thesis: Mathematical and computational modeling of biodegradation behavior of personalized printed implants
- **M.Sc.** in Biomedical Engineering, University of Tehran, Iran Sep 2011 Sep 2014 Thesis: Computational analysis of dynamics of urine flow in the lower urinary system in the physiological and pathological conditions using FSI method
- **B.Sc.** in Materials Science and Engineering, Tehran Polytechnic, Iran Sep 2006 Sep 2011 Thesis: Prediction of microshrinkage porosities using the permeability parameter modeled with artificial neural networks in Al alloys by finite volume method

# **Professional Experiences**

- Visiting researcher, Computational Science Lab, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
   Developing and evaluating of high-performance computational models of biomedical systems to
   scale the computation to thousands of CPU cores
- Ph.D. researcher, KU Leuven, Belgium
   Developing mathematical models and high-performance codes to simulate tissue engineering processes such as biodegradation of biomedical implants and neotissue regeneration
- Software developer, Tehran Polytechnic 2016 2017 Developing machine learning solutions and implementing open-source embedded applications
- Graduate research assistant, University of Tehran
   2012 2014

   Investigating parameters of urology diseases by developing fluid-structure interaction models of urine and human body fluids
- Software developer, Avizheh information technology inc. 2008 2012 Working on development of big enterprise solutions, applications, and databases
- Freelance engineer and software developer
   Developing various scientific, enterprise, and system level applications using desktop, web, and mobile technologies

## Recent Research Projects

- Development of coupled models of topology optimization and metals corrosion for optimizing the shape of biodegradable medical devices, KU Leuven & Kyoto University 2021-2022
- Development of coupled models of deep reinforcement learning and multiphysics parallel CFD for thermal shape optimization, KU Leuven & University of Waterloo 2021-2022
- Development of open-source software BioDeg for massively-parallel simulation of the chemistry of biodegradation of metallic biomaterials, KU Leuven 2020–2022
- Mathematical modeling and numerical simulation of interface-coupled models of biodegradation behavior of metallic implants and medical devices, KU Leuven
   2019–2022
- Mathematical modeling and numerical simulation of biological models of tissue growth and oxygen consumption of cells, KU Leuven & Maastricht University
   2019–2022
- Contribution to the development of open-source software ASLI for creating TPMS-based functionally graded scaffolds and implants, KU Leuven 2020-2022
- Development of physics-informed neural network models to solve governing equations of tissue engineering processes (cell growth and oxygen consumption), KU Leuven
   2020-2022

- Development of Privacy-Preserving Deep Learning models using Federated Learning and Differential Privacy for healthcare IoT systems, KU Leuven & Duke University
   2019–2020
- Implementation of Machine Learning models for signal processing and anomaly detection of EEG and ECG signals, KU Leuven & Imec
   2018–2019

#### **Publications**

# Publications in refereed journals

- 1. H. Keramati, F. Hamdullahpur, **M. Barzegari**, "Deep reinforcement learning for heat exchanger shape optimization", *International Journal Of Heat And Mass Transfer*, 2022
- 2. **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "BioDeg: A finite element software for the simulation of the corrosion and biodegradation process in metallic biomaterials", *Journal of Open Source Software*, 2022
- 3. F. Perez Boerema, M. Barzegari, L. Geris, "A flexible and easy-to-use open-source tool for designing functionally graded 3D porous structures", Virtual And Physical Prototyping, 2022
- 4. D. Van Hede, B. Liang, S. Anania, **M. Barzegari**, B. Verlee, G. Nolens, J. Pirson, L. Geris, F. Lambert, "3D-Printed Synthetic Hydroxyapatite Scaffold With In Silico Optimized Macrostructure Enhances Bone Formation In Vivo", *Advanced Functional Materials*, 2021
- 5. **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "Highly scalable numerical simulation of coupled reaction-diffusion systems with moving interfaces", *Journal of High Performance Computing Applications*, 2021
- 6. **M. Barzegari**, D. Mei, S.V. Lamaka, L. Geris, "Computational modeling of degradation process of biodegradable magnesium biomaterials", *Corrosion Science*, 2021
- 7. J. Barrasa Fano, A. Shapeti, A. Jorge Peñas, **M. Barzegari**, J.A. Sanz-Herrera, H. Van Oosterwyck, "TFMLAB: a MATLAB toolbox for 4D Traction Force Microscopy", *SoftwareX*, 2021
- 8. **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "An open source crash course on parameter estimation of computational models using a Bayesian optimization approach", *Journal of Open Source Education*, 2021
- 9. F. Firouzi, B. Farahani, M. Barzegari, M. Daneshmand, "AI-Driven Data Monetization: The other Face of Data in IoT-based Smart and Connected Health", IEEE Internet of Things Journal, 2020
- 10. **M. Barzegari**, B. Vahidi, M.R. Safarinejad, M. Ebad, "A computational analysis of the effect of supporting organs on predicted vesical pressure in stress urinary incontinence", *Medical & Biological Engineering & Computing*, 2020
- 11. B. Farahani, **M. Barzegari**, F. Shams Aliee, K. A. Shaik, "Towards collaborative intelligent IoT eHealth: From device to fog, and cloud", *Microprocessors and Microsystems*, 2020
- 12. **M. Barzegari**, H. Bayani, S. M. H. Mirbagheri, and H. Shetabivash, "Multiphase aluminum A356 foam formation process simulation using lattice Boltzmann method", *Journal of Materials Research and Technology*, 2019
- 13. H. Bayani, S. M. H. Mirbagheri, **M. Barzegari**, and S. Firoozi, "Simulation of Unconstrained Solidification of A356 Aluminium Alloy on Distribution of Micro/Macro Shrinkage", *Journal of Materials Research and Technology*, 2014

# Publications as Book Chapters

1. F. Firouzi, B. Farahani, F. Ye, **M. Barzegari**, "Machine Learning for IoT", Intelligent Internet of Things, Springer International Publishing, 2020

# **Preprints**

- 1. **M. Barzegari**, H. Bayani, S. M. H. Mirbagheri, "A Criterion for Bubble Merging in Liquid Metal: Computational and Experimental Study", arXiv Preprint
- 2. **M. Barzegari**, B. Vahidi, M. R. Safarinejad, M. Hashemipour "Pathological Analysis of Stress Urinary Incontinence in Females using Artificial Neural Networks", arXiv Preprint

#### Publications in refereed conference proceedings

- 1. F. Firouzi, B. Farahani, E. Panahi, **M. Barzegari**, "Task Offloading for Edge-Fog-Cloud Interplay in the Healthcare Internet of Things (IoT)", Proceedings of the International Conference on Omni-Layer Intelligent Systems, 2021
- 2. B. Farahani, **M. Barzegari**, F. Shams Aliee, "Towards Collaborative Machine Learning Driven Healthcare Internet of Things", Proceedings of the International Conference on Omni-Layer Intelligent Systems, 2019

#### Conference and symposium abstracts (as main presenter)

- 1. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, F. Perez-Boerema, G. Zavodszky, L. Geris, "High-performance computational modeling of metallic biomaterials biodegradation; a case study of a personalized biodegradable porous acetabular". Virtual Physiological Human Conference (VPH), 2022
- 2. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "Mathematical investigation of corrosion behavior of bioabsorbable metals on the biodegradation interface". 8th European Congress on Computational Methods in Applied Sciences and Engineering (ECCOMAS), 2022
- (Oral presentation) M. Barzegari, L. Geris, "Massively parallel finite element simulation of reactiondiffusion systems with moving boundaries: a use-case for biomaterials degradation modeling". HPC Asia, 2022
- 4. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "BioDeg: corrosion/biodegradation simulation software for metallic biomaterials based on FreeFEM/PETSc/Qt". FreeFEM Days, 13th Edition, 2021
- 5. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "Interactive Educational Materials for Computational Tissue Engineering Using Jupyter Notebooks". 6th World Congress of Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine International Society (TERMIS), 2021
- 6. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "Mathematical modeling of curvature-based cell/tissue growth on open porous scaffolds for bone tissue engineering". 8th Belgian Symposium on Tissue Engineering, 2021
- 7. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "Physics-informed neural network model for cell viability and oxygen consumption of pancreatic islets". Mechanistic Machine Learning and Digital Twins for Computational Science, Engineering & Technology conference (MMLDT), 2021
- 8. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "High-performance computing in biomedical engineering; a use-case for biomaterials degradation modeling". 17th International Symposium on Computer Methods in Biomechanics and Biomedical Engineering (CMBBE), 2021
- 9. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, D. Mei, S.V. Lamaka, L. Geris, "Mathematical modeling of degradation process of biodegradable metallic biomaterials in immersion and perfusion setups". XXVIII Congress of the International Society of Biomechanics (ISB), 2021
- 10. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "Mathematical modeling of biodegradation of metallic biomaterials using reaction-diffusion equations and level set method". SIAM Conference on Mathematical Aspects of Materials Science, 2021
- 11. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "Reproducible research in computational sciences: A use case for uncertainty quantification using Jupyter notebooks". KU Leuven Open Science Study Day, 2021
- 12. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "Investigating the Biodegradation of Metallic Biomaterials using HPC-Based Simulation Techniques". 14th World Congress on Computational Mechanics, 2021
- 13. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "Computational modeling of in-vitro biodegradation of metallic scaffolds and bone implants". 11th World Biomaterials Congress, 2020
- 14. (Poster presentation) **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "Jupyter for uncertainty quantification and parameter estimation of computational models". JupyterCon, 2020
- 15. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "High-performance numerical simulation of biodegradation process with moving boundaries". FreeFEM Days, 11th Edition, 2019
- 16. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "Computational Modeling Of Biodegradation Of Metallic Biomaterials". 18th National Day on Biomedical Engineering, 2019

- 17. (Poster presentation) **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "Developing a mathematical model of biodegradable metallic scaffolds for bone tissue engineering applications". 7th Belgian Symposium on Tissue Engineering, 2019
- 18. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, F.P. Boerema, L. Geris, "Computational optimization and biodegradation of 3D-printed patient-specific acetabular implants". European Orthopaedic Research Society (EORS), 2019
- 19. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "High-performance simulation of biodegradation behavior of magnesium-based biomaterials". Fluid and solid mechanics for tissue engineering, 2019
- 20. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "Numerical simulation of biodegradation and corrosion of magnesiumbased orthopedic implants". 2nd International Conference on Simulation for Additive Manufacturing, 2019
- 21. (Oral presentation) **M. Barzegari**, L. Geris, "Mathematical modeling of biodegradation of metal implants in orthopedics". 11th Symposium on Biodegradable Metals, Alicante, 2019

# Teaching Experiences

#### Teaching Assistance

Mass transfer in tissue engineering (MSc), KU Leuven	2020-2021
Lecture on computational mass transfer, accompanied by Jupyter notebooks	
<ul> <li>Transport phenomena in biomedical engineering (BSc), KU Leuven Designing biomedical-related examples and exercises for the mass transfer part</li> </ul>	2020
<ul> <li>Musculoskeletal biomechanics (BSc), KU Leuven</li> <li>Developing Jupyter notebooks for self-teaching biomedical image segmentation</li> </ul>	2020

#### Supervision and Mentoring

- Ms. Jessica Vacca, MSc internship project: "A machine learning-based framework for the inverse mechanical characterization of soft tissues, P1", KU Leuven
   2022–2023
- Ms. Giulia Rizzuti, MSc internship project: "A machine learning-based framework for the inverse mechanical characterization of soft tissues, P2", KU Leuven 2022–2023
- Mr. Kwinten Van Meerbeek, MSc thesis project: "Towards using physics-informed neural network models for computer simulations", KU Leuven 2021–2022
- Mr. Tijs Vanbosseghem, MSc thesis project: "Studying the controlled release and degradation of the metallic biomaterials using finite element simulations", KU Leuven 2021–2022
- Mr. Pieter Ansoms, MSc thesis project: "Finite element analysis of mechanical behavior during the implant biodegradation process", KU Leuven 2020–2021
- Daily supervision of 15 students (mechanical engineering) for the "Problem Solving and Design" course on "Improving a pre-cleaner design" project, KU Leuven
   2019–2020

# Workshops and Invited Talks

•	"Computational Modeling of Biodegradation Behavior of Personalized Printed Implants",	
	Simulation-based Science (SbS) community, University of Amsterdam	2022
•	"Open Source in Multi-Scale Modeling", 1st SGABU Project Workshop, Virtual	2021
•	"Towards Embedded Systems, Motivational Role of Free Software", Tehran Software Freedo	m Day
	Festival, Sharif University of Technology	2016
•	"An introduction to LATEX for thesis typesetting", University of Tehran	2013

## **Community Teaching**

Advanced programming for electrical engineering students	2016
Metal casting simulation for mechanical engineering students	2014
Scientific computing concepts for biomedical engineering students	2011
Computer basics and mathematics for kids	2013-2016

# Service and Outreach

# Reviewing

Elsevier Journal of Computational Science	2021-2022
SAGE Journal of Mechanical Engineering Science, Part C	2021-2022
Frontiers in Bioengineering and Biotechnology	2021-2022
Nature Scientific Reports	2022
Journal of Open Source Software	2022
• Springer Multimedia Tools and Applications (for machine learning topics)	2020-2022
• Elsevier Digital Communications and Networks (for machine learning topics)	2022
IEEE Conference on Omni-Layer Intelligent Systems	2021

## Scientific Community

- Organizing special session "Necessity and importance of high-performance computing to address the scalability issue of biomedical-related computational studies" in CMBBE conference 2021
- Organizing session "Biomaterials for musculoskeletal application" in TERMIS conference 2021
- Scientific coordinator of the youngster committee of Belgium National Committee on Biomedical Engineering (NCBME)
- Member of Virtual Physiological Human Institute (VPHi) student committee 2021-2022

## Science Outreach and Open Science

•	Active member of FreeFEM community (community.freefem.org)	2019-2022
•	Blogging on technical aspects of scientific computing (mbarzegary.github.io/blog)	2020-2022
•	Constantly sharing developed models and codes on GitHub (github.com/mbarzegary)	2018-2022
•	Starting TuxRiders project for sharing open-source scientific computing experiences	2021-2022
	(TuxRiders.com) (youtube.com/TuxRiders)	

- 70 videos, ~40,000 views (in 1.5 years)
- ~800 subscribers (in 1.5 years)

# Awards and Grants

•	Research Foundation Flanders (FWO) travel grant for doing a research visit to the Comput Science Lab at the University of Amsterdam	ational 2022
	·	2022
•	Best short oral and poster presentation prize in the corrosion topic, Biometal Symposium	2019
•	Best hands-on project prize on "Machine learning and mechanistic tissue modeling for guided brain surgery", VPH Summer School	image- 2019
•	Best thesis award of the Department of Materials Science, Tehran Polytechnic	2011
•	2nd Place in Khwarizmi young award of scientific innovation in the field of mathematics (project title: mathematical computation and function plotting software)	2004

#### Technical Skills

- **Programming Languages & Frameworks** C, C++, C#, Python, Java, Visual Basic, Qt, .NET and .NET Core, Xamarin, Universal Windows Platform (UWP)
- Scientific Computing MATLAB & GNU Octave, Maple, FreeFEM, FEniCS, OpenFOAM
- Parallel Computing MPI, PETSc, OpenMP, OpenACC, CUDA
- Machine Learning Scikit-learn, Keras, TensorFlow, TF Federated, SimNet, HyperOpt
- Engineering Software SolidWorks, ANSYS, COMSOL, FreeCAD, SALOME, GMSH, ParaView