

Appendix C. Supplementary Table 1: Summary of TFM Studies

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1st Author	Year	Cell Type	Sub Stiff (kPa)	Mat	Disp Method	Traction Method	Reg	Max Stress (kPa)	Data Re-ported	Ref
Dembo and Wang	1999	NIH 3T3	6.2	PA	bead registration and PTV	maximum likelihood using Boussinesq solution on mesh	increasing λ until χ^2 of particle displacement error reaches number of tracked markers	1-12.5	TM	[58]
Wang	2000	NIH 3T3	14, 33	PA	[58]	[58]		1.02 - 1.55	mean TF	[112]
Beningo	2001	Goldfish fin fibroblasts	24	PA	[58]	[58]	[58]	20	max TF/max TF FA cell	[119]

Munevar	2001	NIH 3T3	28	PA	CC	maximum likelihood Boussinesq solution on mesh		3	mean TF	[3]
Balaban	2001	HFF	12 - 1000	PDMS	WA	FTTC	ZO, used DT	5.5	TTF in FA, TF angle to FA	[77]
Balaban	2001	cardiac fibroblasts	12 - 1000	PDMS	WA	FTTC	ZO, used DT	5	TF versus FA area	[77]
Butler	2002	HASM	1.2	PA	normalized CC	con and unc FTTC		0.4	TM	[59]
Tolic-Norrelykke	2002	HASM	0.8 - 1.3	PA	CC with filtering	FTTC [59], con and unc		0.2	contractile moments, SE	[116]
Wang	2002	HASM	1.3	PA	CC	FTTC [59], con		0.08-0.45	TM, cell area versus TS	[117]
Wang	2002	HASM	0.87, 1.3	PA	CC [59]	FTTC con		0.9	contractile moment (SE)	[124]

Schwarz	2002	HFF	12 - 1000	PDMS	WA	SVD with regularization	ZO, used DT and LC	6.6E-7 N of force at FA	TM, TF magnitude	[57]
Marganski	2003	NIH 3T3	28	PA	optical flow algorithm	N/A - paper focuses on optical tracking	N/A	N/A	N/A	[125]
Marganski	2003	rat cardiac fibroblasts	9	PA	search for patch with similar intensity, interpolate	Bayesian likelihood function approximate deformation [1, 58]		3 - 6	TM	[126]
Curtze	2004	Ost	4.4, 6. 8	PA	CC optical flow [125, 58]	LIBTRC analysis		0.05	TM	[127]
Tolic-Norrelykke	2005	HASM	0.8 - 1.3	PA	image correlation [59, 116]	FTTC [59], con		0.325	TM, TF over time	[128]

Doyle and Lee	2005	fish kerato-cytes	?	gelatin	CC optical flow [125]	[58]		0.00013	TM, 90th % TS over time	[129]
Yang	2006	human tendon fibroblast	3	PA	PTV, linear least squares fit	3D FEM, con		0.25	TM	[130]
Lombardi	2007	<i>D. discoideum</i>	2.5	gelatin	CC-based optical flow [58, 125]	LIBTRC analysis		1.3	TM, 90th % TS plotted with cell speed and shape	[131]
Chen	2007	rabbit fibroblasts*	3	PA	PTV	FTTC [59]		0.55	TM	[132]
Sabass	2008	MEF	15.6	PA	PIV and PTV	FTTC and BEM	ZO, LC	0.5 - 2.5	TM	[36]

Iwadate and Yumura	2008	<i>D. discoideum</i>	1, 2.8	CY52-276A/B silicone, gelatin	displacements of pre-defined nodes calculated from PTV	triangle FEM		1	TM, stress along cell edge over time	[133]
Iwadate and Yumura	2008	<i>D. discoideum</i>	1	CY52-276A/B silicone	displacements of pre-defined nodes calculated from PTV	triangle FEM		0.24	TM	[134]
Rosel	2008	neoplastic fibroblastoid LW13K2	13	PA	FTTC difference-with-interpolation image analysis	triangle FEM		0.5	TM, 50th % of TF generated along edge	[135]

Gardel	2008	PTK1	1.5 - 2.8	PA	CC-based tracking [36]	unc deconvolution [59]		0.1	TM	[36]
Huang	2009	NRVM	2	PA	DIC	modified Green's function to restrain noise		0.32	TM, max TS	[31]
Ambrosi	2009	T24	1.95, 6.3, 9.9	PA	PTV in ImageJ	numerical integration, adjoint equation based on minimization of coupled elliptic partial differential equations	LC	0.05 - 0.2	TM, velocity of migration, max TS/substrate stiffness	[9]
Trepat	2009	MDCK	1.3	PA	CC PIV	FTTC modified for finite thickness		0.1	TM, TS magnitude	[136]
Califano	2010	BAEC	1, 2.5, 5, 10	PA	CC-based optical flow	LIBTRC analysis		0.2 - 0.4	TS magnitude, TS/area	[62]

Jannat	2010	neutrophils from human blood	2, 12	PA	CC-based optical flow	LIBTRC analy- sis		1	TM	[137]
Stricker	2010	U2OS	2.8	PA	PIV software in Matlab (mpiv)	FTTC, TRPF	ZO for FTTC, LC for TRPF	0.09 - 0.150	TM, TS across FA	[65]
Legant	2010	BPASMC	0.5 - 2	PEGDA	nearest neighbors to create vectors	discretized Green's func- tion	ZO with LC	2	TM, TS over time, mean TS at angle to cell center of mass	[40]
Tambe	2011	RPME, MDCK	1.3	PA	PIV	FEA		0.3	TM, normal stress	[121]
Prager- Khoutorsky	2011	HFF	4, 26	PA	[59]	FTTC [59]		0.5	contraction mo- ment, SE	[138]
Betz	2011	NG108- 15	0.11	PA	CC	unc deconvolu- tion [59]		0.04	TM and internal stress maps	[139]

Maruthamuthu	2011	MDCK	8.4, 20.7	PA	PIV using Matlab, filtered, interpolated using kriging method	FTTC with regularization, FTTC without regularization, and BEM		0.5	TM, balance cell-cell and cell-ECM forces	[120]
Koch	2012	DRG	1	PA	CC	FTTC [36]		0.018 - 0.070	Peak, mean TS, noise TS over time	[113]
Marinkovic	2012	IMR-90	0.3, 1, 6, 13, 17, 20	PA	CC in Matlab [128]	con FTTC [59]		0.1 - 0.7	root mean squared TS	[140]
Oakes	2012	NIH 3T3	2.8, 8.6	PA	PIV-q	FTTC	ZO, unclear how λ is chosen [36, 65, 7]	0.7 - 2.2	FA TF, TTF	[78]
Oakes	2012	U2OS	2.8, 8.6	PA	PIV-q	FTTC	ZO, unclear how λ is chosen [36, 65, 7]	0.2	FA TF, TTF	[78]

Plotnikov	2012	MEF	8.6	PA	CC-based PTV	FTTC	2E-6, no justification for λ	2.7	TTF	[92]
Mertz	2012	mouse ker- atinocytes	3	CY52- 276A/B silicone	centroid analysis,in Matlab	FTTC	$\lambda = 9\text{E-}10$, no justification	0.05	SE density, TS vectors	[93]
Tseng	2012	MCF10A	7	PA	PIV in ImageJ, normalized CC	FTTC with regularization scheme		0.5	TM	[28]
Hersch	2013	rat car- diomy- ocytes	15 - 90	PA	CC to tem- plate with sub-pixel accuracy [141]	superposition of point forces at cell adhesion sites [57, 142] and force field calculation [81]		0.08	TF sum over time	[115]
Peschetola	2013	T24, RT112	10	PA	PTV in Im- ageJ	FEM with bead positions	$\lambda = 6\text{E-}7$, cho- sen by LC	0.375	TM	[10]

Liu	2013	HeLa cells	2.5	PA	DIC	MATLAB program, specifics of process not specified		0.8	TM	[143]
Elkhatib	2014	NIH 3T3	5	PA	extract bead positions [139]	FTTC by Butler		0.3	SE	[118]
Ng	2014	MCF10A	8, 35	PA	CC	FTTC butler 2002, Sabass 2008	$\lambda = 5\text{E-}8$ to $1\text{E-}6$, no justification	1	Force balance between cells, SE	[94]
Oakes	2014	NIH 3T3	16	PA	PIV in Matlab (mpiv)	FTTC	ZO, no justification for λ [36, 59]	2.5	SE, max TS	[79]
Plotnikov	2014	MDA-MB-231	8.6	PA	CC on smoothed data (median filtering)	FTTC	Bayes theory, calculate λ based on Gaussian distributions	0.8	TM	[12]

Bollmann	2015	microglial cells	0.1 - 1	PA	CC	FTTC		0.01 - 0.27	mean and peak TS	[114]
Han	2015	PTK1	8	PA	CC-based image tracking with sub-pixel registration	BEM	L1 and L2 regularization (Tikhonov)	3	TM, TS in nascent adhesions	[52]
Brask	2015	RPTP- α fibroblasts	8	PA	PIV (iterative window)	BEM with L1 reg, FTTC with L2	BEM - regularization not necessary. FTTC [144]	5	TM	[82]
Rosowski	2015	HESC	3	PDMS	centroid analysis in Matlab	FTTC		max SE: 2 pN/ μ m	SE density	[6]
Soine	2015	U2OS	8.4	PA	PIV-q in Matlab	FTTC	not needed, used biophysical models	12.6	TM	[104]

Ribeiro	2015	hiPSC-CM	10	PA	centroid analysis in Matlab	FTTC	$\lambda = 9\text{E-}9$, chosen by LC	0.016	TM, sum of forces, power	[8]
Sim	2015	MDCK	25	PA	PIV	FTTC	$\lambda = 1\text{E-}9$, no justification	0.255	TM, SE, cell-cell and cell-ECM force	[95]
Aratyn-Schaus	2016	miPSC-CM, mES-CM	13, 90	PA	PIV plug-in for ImageJ	FTTC		2	TTF	[7]
Bergert	2016	HeLa, REF, PC12 cells	1 to 20	CY52-276A/B	normalized CC	nonlinear framework based on boundary conditions, implicit FEA solver	no regularization required	12	TM	[46]

Chang	2016	HFF	18, 47	PA	PIV in ImageJ, normalized CC	FTTC	$\lambda = 7\text{E-}10, 3\text{E-}10$ chosen by DT	0.8	TM, mean TF	[26]
Sabass	2017	M. Xanthus	3.60E-04	silicone	CC-based tracking[36, 12]	FTTC	ZO, $\lambda = 0.01$ to minimize regularization	0.3	TM, local force in hotspots	[71]
Guo	2017	A7 cells, MEF, NIH 3T3, HeLa	2, 10	PA	image correlation method	FTTC [59]		0.7	TM	[5]
Sune-Aunon	2017	CHO-K1	5	PA	image registration then Otsu thresholding on displacement	FTTC	L1 regularization	2.9	TM	[83]

Ribeiro	2017	hiPSC-CM	10	PA	CC: DIC with Matlab Ncorr and PIV	FTTC	ZO, LC	0.6	TM	[49]
Collins	2017	MDCK	30, 60	PA	PIV in ImageJ, normalized CC	FTTC	$\lambda = 1.3\text{E-}9$, $6.6\text{E-}10$ chosen by DT	0.05	TM, area of high stress regions	[91]
Makarchuk	2018	SW480	0.45	PA	CC based on intensity of particle center in 3D	applying Green's function	ZO, LC	1	normal TF, angle between major dipole axis of force field and cell axis	[80]
Lin	2018	MDA-MB-231	1, 5, 10, 20	PA	[31]	[31]		0.6	TM, SE	[145]

735 Abbreviations in heading: Sub Stiff - Substrate Stiffness, Mat - Material, Disp - Displacement, Reg - Regularization, Ref - Reference

Cell line abbreviations: NIH 3T3 - NIH 3T3 mouse embryo fibroblasts, HFF - human foreskin fibroblasts, HASM - human airway smooth muscle cells,

PTK1 - female rat kangaroo kidney epithelial cells, T24 - human epithelial bladder cancer tumor cells, U2OS - human bone osteosarcoma epithelial

cells, MCF10A - human mammary epithelial cells, rabbit fibroblasts* - rabbit stromal cells from cornea differentiated to fibroblasts, BAEC - bovine aortic endothelial cells, BPASMC - bovine pulmonary artery smooth muscle cells, NG108-15 - mouse neuroblastoma/glioblastoma cells, MDCK -
740 Madin-Darby Canine Kidney epithelial cells, MDA-MB-231 - human breast adenocarcinoma epithelial cells, HESC - human embryonic stem cells, HeLa - human cervix adenocarcinoma cells, hiPSC-CM - cardiomyocytes differentiated from human induced pluripotent stem cells, miPSC-CM - cardiomyocytes differentiated from mouse induced pluripotent stem cells, mES-CM - cardiomyocytes differentiated from mouse embryonic stem cells, SW480 - human colorectal carcinoma cells, CHO-K1 - Chinese hamster ovary cells, Ost - osteoblasts, MEF - mouse embryonic fibroblasts, REF - rat embryonic fibroblasts, IMR-90 - human fetal lung fibroblasts, RT112 - human urinary bladder carcinoma cells, PC12 - rat adrenal gland cells,
745 RPME - rat pulmonary microvascular endothelial cells, *M. xanthus* - *Myxococcus xanthus* bacteria, *D. discoideum* - *Dictyostelium discoideum*, DRG - rat dorsal root ganglion neurons, RVM - neonatal rat ventricular myocytes

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Material abbreviations: PA - polyacrylamide, PDMS - polydimethylsiloxane, PEGDA - polyethylene (glycol) diacrylate

Abbreviations in methods: PIV - particle image velocimetry, PIV-q - particle image velocimetry using quadratic differences, DIC - digital image correlation, CC - cross correlation, WA - water algorithm, PTV - particle tracking velocimetry, SVD - singular value decomposition, FTTC - Fourier
750 transform traction cytometry, unc - unconstrained, con - constrained, BEM - boundary element method, FEM - finite element method, LIBTRC - custom traction mapping software created by Dembo and Wang 1999 [58], TRPF - traction reconstruction with point forces supplied by user [65], ZO - Zero order, LC - L-corner criterion, DT - Discrepancy Theorem, FEA - finite element analysis, TF - traction force, TS - traction stress, TTF - total traction force, FA - focal adhesion