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Population dynamics under flow

The expansion of biological populations in natural environments is usually described as the combined effect of individual spatial dispersal and growth. In the case of aquatic ecosystems, the transport by flows can also be extremely relevant as an extra dispersal factor. In this seminar I shortly present some of the models that are currently used in this field. Then I present the experiment I have performed to quantify the expansion of colonies of *E. coli* bacteria in micro-channels, under both co-flow and counter-flow conditions. In particular I have measured the population front advancing speed at varying intensity of the imposed flow and I have compared these results to the case of classic advective-reactive-diffusive chemical fronts.

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