

Spread of Virus in a Classroom

scSTREAM is used to simulate the spread of a virus in a classroom environment. Assuming a cold winter day, the flu viruses are modeled and calculated as diffusion species transported by the air flow.

Simulation Model



Calculation Setup

Virus distribution at around head height (between 0.9m and 1.5m)

Air flow is calculated using a steady-state simulation with buoyancy. Then, using the resultant steady-state flow field, the diffusion of the virus is calculated using transient simulation.

Results

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Notes

Using scSTREAM to simulate classroom air flow and virus diffusion shows that more than half of the students in the classroom will be exposed to viruses from a student seated in the middle of the room. Students who do not feel well should be strongly encouraged to stay home until they feel better.