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Research Highlights

- 1. The blood flow through a bifurcated artery with mild stenosis is investigated.
- 2. Blood is assumed as couple stress fluid.
- 3. Flow rate increased with an increase of all the parameters except for magnetic parameter
- 4. Impedance decreased with an increase of all parameters except for magnetic parameter
- 5. Shear stress is increasing with an increase in the values of couple stress fluid parameter
- 6. Shear stress decreased with increase of bifurcation angle along the inner wall of daughter artery.

Abstract

Background and objectives: The objective of the present study is to investigate the magnetic field effect on pulsatile flow of blood through a bifurcated artery with mild stenosis in its parent lumen by taking blood as couple stress fluid.

Methods: The equations governing the flow are made non-dimensional and coordinate transformation is employed to convert the irregular boundary to a regular boundary. The resulting system of equations is solved numerically using the finite difference method.

Results : The shear stress, flow rate and impedance near the apex with pertinent parameters are obtained numerically and analysed graphically.

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