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Three-dimensional hydrodynamics of a suspended cylindrical canopy patch¹ JIAN ZHOU, SUBHAS VENAYAGAMOORTHY, Colorado State Univ — Three-dimensional large eddy simulations (LES) are carried out to determine the local hydrodynamics of a suspended canopy patch impinged by a uniform incident flow. The patches are circular (with bulk diameter D) and are made of rigid circular cylinders (height h and diameter d). Four different patch densities ($\phi = N_c d^2 / D^2$) and four different patch aspect ratios ($AR = h/D$) are considered by varying the number of cylinders in the patch (N_c) and the height of the patch (h), respectively. Based on a volumetric-flux budget through the patch surface, the bleeding dynamics inside and in the vicinity of the patch was found to be controlled not only by ϕ , but also remarkably by AR . The relative longitudinal bleeding normalized by the total flux entering the patch ($\hat{Q}_x = Q_x / Q_{\text{influx}}$) was observed to be inhibited by increasing ϕ but insensitive to the variation of AR ; the relative lateral bleeding ($\hat{Q}_y = Q_y / Q_{\text{influx}}$) increases with either increasing ϕ or AR ; and the relative vertical bleeding ($\hat{Q}_z = Q_z / Q_{\text{influx}}$) increases with increasing ϕ while decreases with increasing AR . However, for patches with a constant ϕ , an increase in AR contributes to enhance the absolute strength of vertical bleeding (Q_z) at the patch free end.

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