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Pattern transformation triggered by deformation.¹ TOM MULLIN,
University of Manchester — Periodic elastomeric cellular solids are subjected to uni-
axial compression and novel transformations of the patterned structures are found
upon reaching a critical value of applied load. The results of a numerical investiga-
tion reveal that the pattern switch is triggered by a reversible elastic instability. Ex-
cellent quantitative agreement between numerical and experimental results is found
and the transformations are found to be remarkably uniform across the samples.
Moreover the phenomenon is found to be robust for a range of soft solids including
rubber and jelly. *Joint work with M.C. Boyce, K. Bertoldi and S. Deschanel, MIT.

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