

The M system M_{bac} is supported by a polytopic tile system in R^3 , defined as $T_{bac} = (Q, G, \gamma, d_g, S)$, where

Q contains the following tiles:

oct_base: octagonal seed tile with edges of length 4; all edges are connectors with glue $g90o$ and connecting angle 90° ;

oct_small: octagonal tile with edges of length 2, serving as a central part of the septum; all edges are connectors with glue $g180s$ and angle 180° ; there are two more point connectors at the center of the tile: one inside, with glue $gt90$ and angle 90° , and another outside, glue $gt60$ and angle 20° ;

trapezoid: trapezoidal tile with the outer edge of length 4 and connector c_4 , and the inner edge of length 2 and connector c_2 :

c_4 : glue $g90o$, angle 90° ;

c_2 : glue $g180t2$, angle 180° ;

rectangle: square tile with edges of length 4 forming shells of cell-like shapes; two opposite edges are connectors c_1, c_3 defined as follows:

c_1 : glue $g90$, angle 90° ;

c_3 : glue $g180h$, angle 180° ;

inner_rod1: 1D rod of length 0.2, attaching to the inside center of a small octagon using end connector with glue $gr90$ and angle 90° ; and with another connector at the opposite end, glue $gx90$ and angle 0° , to attach *inner_rod2*;

inner_rod2: 1D rod of length 0.02, attaching to *inner_rod1* using end connector with glue $gy90$ and angle 0° ;

outer_rod: 1D rod of length 16, attaching to the outside center of a small octagon using end connector with glue $gr60$ and angle 60° ; it helps to keep spatial distance of cells during the fission process.

$G = \{gx, ge, g90o, g90, g180h, g180s, g180t2, gr90, gt90, gx90, gy90, gr60, gt60\}$;

$\gamma = \{(g90o, g90), (g90, g90o), (g180h, g180h), (g180t2, g180s), (gt90, gr90), (gx90, gy90), (gt60, gr60)\}$;

$d_g = 0.001$;

$S = \{oct_base\}$.

The whole M system is then defined as $M_{bac} = (F, P, T_{bac}, \mu, R, \sigma)$ where

F contains floating objects a, s with radius 0.05, mobility 10 and concentration (per cubic unit) $\epsilon(a) = 0.025$ and $\epsilon(s) = 0$;

$P = p_0$;

T_{bac} is the polytopic tile system defined above;

μ places one protion p_0 at the center of each tile *rectangle*;

R contains the following rules:

Creation rules produce tiles while consuming floating objects a (nutrients):

$a \rightarrow oct_small$;
 $a \rightarrow rectangle$;
 $a \rightarrow trapezoid$;
 $a \rightarrow inner_rod_1$;
 $a \rightarrow inner_rod_2$;
 $a \rightarrow outer_rod$;

Destruction rule $a, outer_rod \rightarrow \emptyset$

(destroys the auxiliary tile *outer_rod* when it is no longer needed);

Division rule $g180h \xrightarrow{s} g180h \rightarrow g180h, g180h$

(divides two tiles connected by a pair of *g180h* glues, consuming one floating object s);

Metabolic rule $a[p_0 \rightarrow [p_0a$

(transports a floating object a through protion channel p_0 into a cell where it is used to produce septum and auxiliary tiles);

$\sigma(gx90, gy90) = \{s, s, s, s, s, s, s, s, s\}$.