

# **Amoebae in Motion and Optimal Vesicle Shapes: Shape Deformations under Global Constraints**

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The issue of shape deformations under multiple global constraints received relatively little attention in the literature. An amoeba moves around, with relatively minor variations in volume and surface area, and vesicles in a cell flow toward optimal shapes in the sense of minimizing some integral curvature constraints while keeping their surface and volume nearly the same. In this talk I shall describe some recent work we have done on such issues, with Y. Goldin and J.M. Delosme.