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Small heterogeneities with large impacts on CO2 flow and trapping

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In this presentation I will argue that small, centimetre scale, heterogeneities in multiphase flow properties will have field scale impacts on the movement of CO2 injected underground. I will demonstrate our characterisation and modelling workflows in application to simulations of CO2 storage sites of the offshore UK (An et al., 2023; Wenck et al., 2025). In search of a validating case study, my research group has been reinterpreting seismic imagery from the Decatur CO2 storage site in the USA (Bukar et al., 2025). I will show results of our application of an interpretation of the time-shifts from seismic surveys at this site. This has revealed CO2 migration along faults, allowing the plume to bypass lower quality units within the reservoir.

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