

1 **New Model of Reactive Transport in Single-well Push-Pull Test with**
2 **Aquitard Effect**

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24 S1. Derivation of analytical solutions for the SWPP test

25 To reduce the complexity in analyzing the influence of input parameters on the output, the

26 dimensionless parameters are introduced as follows: $C_{mD} = \frac{C_m}{C_0}$, $C_{imD} = \frac{C_{im}}{C_0}$, $C_{inj,mD} = \frac{C_{inj,m}}{C_0}$,

27 $C_{inj,imD} = \frac{C_{inj,im}}{C_0}$, $C_{cha,mD} = \frac{C_{cha,m}}{C_0}$, $C_{cha,imD} = \frac{C_{cha,im}}{C_0}$, $C_{res,mD} = \frac{C_{res,m}}{C_0}$, $C_{res,imD} = \frac{C_{res,im}}{C_0}$,

28 $C_{ext,mD} = \frac{C_{ext,m}}{C_0}$, $C_{ext,imD} = \frac{C_{ext,im}}{C_0}$, $C_{umD} = \frac{C_{um}}{C_0}$, $C_{uimD} = \frac{C_{uim}}{C_0}$, $C_{lmD} = \frac{C_{lm}}{C_0}$, $C_{limD} = \frac{C_{lim}}{C_0}$,

29 $t_D = \frac{|A|}{\alpha_r^2 R_m} t$, $r_D = \frac{r}{\alpha_r}$, $r_{wD} = \frac{r_w}{\alpha_r}$, $z_D = \frac{z}{B}$, $\mu_{mD} = \frac{\alpha_r^2 \mu_m}{A}$, $\mu_{imD} = \frac{\alpha_r^2 R_m \mu_{im}}{R_{im} A}$, $\mu_{umD} = \frac{\alpha_r^2 \mu_{um}}{A}$, $\mu_{uimD} =$

30 $\frac{\alpha_r^2 R_m \mu_{uim}}{R_{im} A}$, $\mu_{lmD} = \frac{\alpha_r^2 \mu_{lm}}{A}$ and $\mu_{limD} = \frac{\alpha_r^2 R_m \mu_{lim}}{R_{im} A}$, where the subscript “D” represents the

31 dimensionless parameter hereinafter, $A = \frac{Q}{4\pi B \theta_m}$. By substituting these dimensionless parameters

32 into the governing equations, one could obtain the dimensionless model of the SWPP test:

$$33 \quad \frac{\partial C_{mD}}{\partial t_D} = \frac{1}{r_D} \frac{\partial^2 C_{mD}}{\partial r_D^2} - \frac{1}{r_D} \frac{\partial C_{mD}}{\partial r_D} - \varepsilon_m (C_{mD} - C_{imD}) - \mu_{mD} C_{mD} - \left(\frac{\theta_{um} \alpha_r^2 v_{um}}{2A\theta_m B} C_{umD} - \right.$$

$$34 \quad \left. \frac{\theta_{um} \alpha_r^2 D_u}{2A\theta_m B^2} \frac{\partial C_{umD}}{\partial z_D} \right) \Big|_{z_D=1} + \left(\frac{\theta_{lm} \alpha_r^2 v_{lm}}{2AB\theta_m} C_{lmD} - \frac{\theta_{lm} \alpha_r^2 D_l}{2AB^2\theta_m} \frac{\partial C_{lmD}}{\partial z_D} \right) \Big|_{z_D=-1}, \quad r_D \geq r_{wD}, \quad (S1a)$$

$$35 \quad \frac{\partial C_{imD}}{\partial t_D} = \varepsilon_{im} (C_{mD} - C_{imD}) - \mu_{imD} C_{imD}, \quad r_D \geq r_{wD}, \quad (S1b)$$

$$36 \quad \frac{\partial C_{umD}}{\partial t_D} = \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}} \frac{\partial^2 C_{umD}}{\partial z_D^2} - \frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{um}} \frac{\partial C_{umD}}{\partial z_D} - \varepsilon_{um} (C_{umD} - C_{uimD}) - \mu_{umD} C_{umD},$$

$$37 \quad z_D \geq 1, \quad (S2a)$$

$$38 \quad \frac{\partial C_{uimD}}{\partial t_D} = \varepsilon_{uim} (C_{umD} - C_{uimD}) - \mu_{uimD} C_{uimD}, \quad z_D \geq 1, \quad (S2b)$$

$$39 \quad \frac{\partial C_{lmD}}{\partial t_D} = \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l}{AB^2 R_{lm}} \frac{\partial^2 C_{lmD}}{\partial z_D^2} + \frac{R_m v_{lm} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{lm}} \frac{\partial C_{lmD}}{\partial z_D} - \varepsilon_{lm} (C_{lmD} - C_{limD}) - \mu_{lmD} C_{lmD},$$

$$40 \quad z_D \leq -1, \quad (S3a)$$

$$41 \quad \frac{\partial C_{limD}}{\partial t_D} = \varepsilon_{lim}(C_{lmD} - C_{limD}) - \mu_{limD}C_{limD}, z_D \leq -1, \quad (S3b)$$

$$42 \quad \text{where } \varepsilon_m = \frac{\omega_a \alpha_r^2}{A\theta_m}, \varepsilon_{im} = \frac{\omega_a \alpha_r^2 R_m}{A\theta_m R_{im}}, \varepsilon_{um} = \frac{\omega_u \alpha_r^2 R_m}{A\theta_{um} R_{um}}, \varepsilon_{uim} = \frac{\omega_u \alpha_r^2 R_m}{A\theta_{um} R_{uim}}, \varepsilon_{lm} = \frac{\omega_l \alpha_r^2 R_m}{A\theta_{lm} R_{lm}}, \varepsilon_{lim} =$$

$$43 \quad \frac{\omega_l \alpha_r^2 R_m}{A\theta_{lm} R_{lim}}.$$

44 The analytical solution will be derived using the Laplace transform method and the Green's
45 functions method, and the detailed information could be seen in the following sections.

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47 *S1.1 Solutions in the injection phase: Eqs. (25a) and (25f)*

48 Substituting the dimensionless parameters into Eqs. (5) - (6), one could obtain the
49 dimensionless boundary conditions and dimensionless initial conditions for the injection phase:

$$50 \quad C_{mD}(r_D, t_D)|_{t_D=0} = C_{imD}(r_D, t_D)|_{t_D=0} = C_{umD}(r_D, z_D, t_D)|_{t_D=0} = C_{uimD}(r_D, z_D, t_D)|_{t_D=0} =$$

$$51 \quad C_{lmD}(r_D, z_D, t_D)|_{t_D=0} = C_{limD}(r_D, z_D, t_D)|_{t_D=0} = 0, \quad (S4)$$

$$52 \quad C_{mD}(r_D, t_D)|_{r_D \rightarrow \infty} = C_{imD}(r_D, t_D)|_{r_D \rightarrow \infty} = C_{umD}(r_D, z_D, t_D)|_{z_D \rightarrow \infty} =$$

$$53 \quad C_{uimD}(r_D, z_D, t_D)|_{z_D \rightarrow \infty} = C_{lmD}(r_D, z_D, t)|_{z_D \rightarrow -\infty} = C_{limD}(r_D, z_D, t_D)|_{z_D \rightarrow -\infty} = 0, \quad (S5)$$

$$54 \quad C_{mD}(r_D, t_D) = C_{umD}(r_D, z_D = 1, t_D), \quad (S6a)$$

$$55 \quad C_{mD}(r_D, t_D) = C_{lmD}(r_D, z_D = -1, t_D). \quad (S6b)$$

56 Conducting Laplace transform to Eqs. (S2a) - (S2b), one has:

$$57 \quad s\bar{C}_{umD} = \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{umD}}{\partial z_D^2} - \frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{um}} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{umD}}{\partial z_D} - (\varepsilon_{um} + \mu_{umD})\bar{C}_{umD} + \varepsilon_{um}\bar{C}_{uimD},$$

$$58 \quad z_D \geq 1, \quad (S7a)$$

$$59 \quad s\bar{C}_{uimD} = \varepsilon_{uim}(\bar{C}_{umD} - \bar{C}_{uimD}) - \mu_{uimD}\bar{C}_{uimD}, z_D \geq 1, \quad (S7b)$$

60 Substituting Eq. (S7b) into Eq. (S7a) will lead to:

$$61 \quad s\bar{C}_{umD} = \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{umD}}{\partial z_D^2} - \frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{um}} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{umD}}{\partial z_D} - \left(\varepsilon_{um} + \mu_{umD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{um}\varepsilon_{uim}}{s + \mu_{uimD} + \varepsilon_{uim}} \right) \bar{C}_{umD},$$

$$62 \quad z_D \geq 1, \quad (S8)$$

63 Similarly, Eqs. (S3a) - (S3b) become:

$$64 \quad s\bar{C}_{lmD} = \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l}{AB^2 R_{lm}} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{lmD}}{\partial z_D^2} + \frac{R_m v_{lm} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{lm}} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{lmD}}{\partial z_D} - (\varepsilon_{lm} + \mu_{lmD}) \bar{C}_{lmD} + \varepsilon_{lm} \bar{C}_{limD},$$

$$65 \quad z_D \leq -1, \quad (S9a)$$

$$66 \quad s\bar{C}_{limD} = \varepsilon_{lim} (\bar{C}_{lmD} - \bar{C}_{limD}) - \mu_{limD} \bar{C}_{limD}, \quad z_D \leq -1, \quad (S9b)$$

67 Substituting Eq. (S9b) into Eq.(S9a) results in:

$$68 \quad s\bar{C}_{lmD} = \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l}{AB^2 R_{lm}} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{lmD}}{\partial z_D^2} + \frac{R_m v_{lm} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{lm}} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{lmD}}{\partial z_D} - \left(\varepsilon_{lm} + \mu_{lmD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{lm} \varepsilon_{lim}}{s + \mu_{limD} + \varepsilon_{lim}} \right) \bar{C}_{lmD},$$

$$69 \quad z_D \leq -1, \quad (S10)$$

70 where overbar represents the variables in Laplace domain hereinafter; s is the Laplace transform
71 parameter in respect to dimensionless time.

72 Eqs. (S5), (S6a)-(S6b) and (S8) compose a model of the second-order ordinary differential
73 equation (ODE) with boundary conditions, the general solution of Eq. (S8) is:

$$74 \quad \bar{C}_{umD} = A_1 e^{a_1 z_D} + B_1 e^{a_2 z_D}. \quad (S11a)$$

75 Similarly, the general solution of Eq. (S10) is:

$$76 \quad \bar{C}_{lmD} = A_2 e^{b_1 z_D} + B_2 e^{b_2 z_D}. \quad (S11b)$$

$$77 \quad \text{where } a_1 = \frac{\frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{um}} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{um}} \right)^2 + 4 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}} \left(s + \varepsilon_{um} + \mu_{umD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{um} \varepsilon_{uim}}{s + \mu_{uimD} + \varepsilon_{uim}} \right)}}{2 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}}},$$

$$78 \quad a_2 = \frac{\frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{um}} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{um}} \right)^2 + 4 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}} \left(s + \varepsilon_{um} + \mu_{umD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{um} \varepsilon_{uim}}{s + \mu_{uimD} + \varepsilon_{uim}} \right)}}{2 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}}},$$

$$79 \quad b_1 = \frac{-\frac{R_m v_{lm} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{lm}} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{R_m v_{lm} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{lm}} \right)^2 + 4 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l}{AB^2 R_{lm}} \left(s + \varepsilon_{lm} + \mu_{lmD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{lm} \varepsilon_{lim}}{s + \mu_{limD} + \varepsilon_{lim}} \right)}}{2 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l}{AB^2 R_{lm}}} \text{ and}$$

$$80 \quad b_2 = \frac{-\frac{R_m v_{lm} \alpha_r^2}{ABR_{lm}} \sqrt{\left(\frac{R_m v_{lm} \alpha_r^2}{ABR_{lm}}\right)^2 + 4 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l}{AB^2 R_{lm}} \left(s + \varepsilon_{lm} + \mu_{lmD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{lm} \varepsilon_{lim}}{s + \mu_{limD} + \varepsilon_{lim}}\right)}}{2 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l}{AB^2 R_{lm}}}.$$

81 Substituting Eqs. (S11a) - (S11b) into Eqs. (S5)-(S6b) leads to:

$$82 \quad \bar{C}_{umD} = B_1 e^{a_2 z_D}. \quad (S12a)$$

$$83 \quad \bar{C}_{lmD} = A_2 e^{b_1 z_D}. \quad (S12b)$$

84 where $B_1 = \bar{C}_{mD} \exp(-a_2)$, $B_2 = 0$, $A_1 = 0$ and $A_2 = \bar{C}_{mD} \exp(b_1)$.

85 Thus, we could obtain the solutions for the aquitards as:

$$86 \quad \bar{C}_{umD} = \bar{C}_{mD} \exp(a_2 z_D - a_2). \quad (S13a)$$

$$87 \quad \bar{C}_{uimD} = \frac{\varepsilon_{uim}}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{uimD}} \bar{C}_{umD}, \quad (S13b)$$

$$88 \quad \bar{C}_{lmD} = \bar{C}_{mD} \exp(b_1 z_D + b_1). \quad (S14a)$$

$$89 \quad \bar{C}_{limD} = \frac{\varepsilon_{lim}}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{limD}} \bar{C}_{lmD}, \quad (S14b)$$

90 In the injection phase, the dimensional boundary conditions Eq. (8) and Eqs. (12a)-(12b) are

91 transformed into their dimensionless forms:

$$92 \quad \left[C_{mD} - \frac{\partial C_{mD}(r_D, t_D)}{\partial r_D} \right] \Big|_{r=r_{wD}} = C_{inj,mD}(t_D), \quad 0 < t_D \leq t_{inj,D} \quad (S15)$$

$$93 \quad \beta_{inj} \frac{dC_{inj,mD}(t_D)}{dt_D} = 1 - C_{inj,mD}(t_D), \quad 0 < t_D \leq t_{inj,D}, \quad (S16a)$$

$$94 \quad C_{inj,mD}(t_D = 0) = 0, \quad (S16b)$$

95 where $\beta_{inj} = \frac{V_{w,inj} r_{wD}}{\xi R_m \alpha_r}$.

96 Conducting Laplace transform to Eqs. (S1a) - (S1b), one has:

$$97 \quad s \bar{C}_{mD} = \frac{1}{r_D} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{mD}}{\partial r_D^2} - \frac{1}{r_D} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{mD}}{\partial r_D} - (\varepsilon_m + \mu_{mD}) \bar{C}_{mD} + \varepsilon_m \bar{C}_{imD} -$$

$$98 \quad \left(\frac{\theta_{um} \alpha_r^2 v_{um}}{2A\theta_m B} \bar{C}_{umD} - \frac{\theta_{um} \alpha_r^2 D_u}{2A\theta_m B^2} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{umD}}{\partial z_D} \right) \Big|_{z_D=1} + \left(\frac{\theta_{lm} \alpha_r^2 v_{lm}}{2A\theta_m B} \bar{C}_{lmD} - \frac{\theta_{lm} \alpha_r^2 D_l}{2AB^2 \theta_m} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{lmD}}{\partial z_D} \right) \Big|_{z_D=-1},$$

99 $r_D \geq r_{wD}$. (S17a)

100 $\bar{C}_{imD} = \frac{\varepsilon_{im}}{(s+\mu_{imD}+\varepsilon_{im})} \bar{C}_{mD}, r_D \geq r_{wD}$, (S17b)

101 Substituting Eqs. (S13a), (S14a) and (S17b) into Eq. (S17a), one has:

102 $\frac{1}{r_D} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{mD}}{\partial r_D^2} - \frac{1}{r_D} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{mD}}{\partial r_D} - E \bar{C}_{mD} = 0$. (S18)

103 where

104 $E = s + \varepsilon_m + \mu_{mD} - \frac{\varepsilon_m \varepsilon_{im}}{s + \mu_{imD} + \varepsilon_{im}} + \frac{\theta_{um} \alpha_r^2 v_{um}}{2A\theta_m B} - \frac{\theta_{lm} \alpha_r^2 v_{lm}}{2AB\theta_m} - \frac{a_2 \theta_{um} \alpha_r^2 D_u}{2A\theta_m B^2} + \frac{b_1 \theta_{lm} \alpha_r^2 D_l}{2AB^2 \theta_m}$.

105 The boundary conditions of the wellbore and infinity in the Laplace domain are:

106 $\left[\bar{C}_{mD} - \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{mD}(r_D, s)}{\partial r_D} \right] \Big|_{r=r_{wD}} = \bar{C}_{inj, mD}(s)$, (S19a)

107 $\bar{C}_{mD}(r_D, s) \Big|_{r_D \rightarrow \infty} = 0$. (S19b)

108 Conducting Laplace transform on Eqs. (S16a)- (S16b), one has:

109 $\bar{C}_{inj, mD}(r_w, s) = \frac{1}{s(s\beta_{inj}+1)}$, (S20)

110 Eqs. (S18), (S19a)-(S19b), and (S20) compose a model of the second-order ordinary

111 differential equation (ODE) with boundary conditions. The general solution of Eq. (S18) is:

112 $\bar{C}_{mD}(r_D, s) = \phi_1 \exp\left(\frac{y_{inj}}{2}\right) A_i(E^{1/3} y_{inj}) + \phi_2 \exp\left(\frac{y_{inj}}{2}\right) B_i(E^{1/3} y_{inj})$. (S21)

113 where $y_{inj} = r_D + \frac{1}{4E}$, $y_{inj, w} = r_{wD} + \frac{1}{4E}$, ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 are constants which could be determined by

114 the boundary conditions; $A_i(\cdot)$ and $B_i(\cdot)$ are the Airy functions of the first kind and second kind,

115 respectively. As $B_i(r_D)$ diverges when $r_D \rightarrow \infty$, ϕ_2 has to be zero.

116 Substituting Eqs. (S21), (S20) and $\phi_2 = 0$ into Eq. (S19a), the value of ϕ_1 is:

117 $\phi_1 = \frac{1}{s(s\beta_{inj}+1)} \frac{1}{\exp\left(\frac{y_{inj, w}}{2}\right) \left[\frac{A_i(E^{1/3} y_{inj, w})}{2} - E^{1/3} A_i'(E^{1/3} y_{inj}) \right]}$. (S22)

118 where $A_i'(\cdot)$ is the derivative of the Airy function.

119 Substituting Eq. (S22) and $\phi_2 = 0$ into Eqs. (S21) and (S17b), one could obtain the
 120 Laplace-domain analytical solution of solute transport in the injection phase of the SWPP test.

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122 ***S1.2 Solutions in the chaser phase: Eqs. (26a) - (26g)***

123 For the chaser phase, conducting Laplace transform on Eqs. (S2a)-(S2b), one has:

$$124 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{umD}}{\partial z_D^2} - \frac{R_m \nu_{um} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{um}} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{umD}}{\partial z_D} - (s + \varepsilon_{um} + \mu_{umD}) \bar{C}_{umD} + \varepsilon_{um} \bar{C}_{uimD} +$$

$$125 C_{umD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D}) = 0, \quad z_D \geq 1, \quad (S23a)$$

$$126 s \bar{C}_{uimD} - C_{uimD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D}) = \varepsilon_{uim} (\bar{C}_{umD} - \bar{C}_{uimD}) - \mu_{uimD} \bar{C}_{uimD}, \quad (S23b)$$

127 Eq. (S23b) could be rewritten as :

$$128 \bar{C}_{uimD} = \frac{\varepsilon_{uim}}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{uimD}} \bar{C}_{umD} + \frac{C_{uimD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{uimD}}, \quad (S23c)$$

129 Substituting Eq. (S23c) into Eq. (S23a), one has:

$$130 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{umD}}{\partial z_D^2} - \frac{R_m \nu_{um} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{um}} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{umD}}{\partial z_D} - \left(s + \varepsilon_{um} + \mu_{umD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{um} \varepsilon_{uim}}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{uimD}} \right) \bar{C}_{umD} +$$

$$131 C_{umD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D}) + \frac{\varepsilon_{um} C_{uimD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{uimD}} = 0, \quad z_D \geq 1, \quad (S24)$$

132 Similarly, Eqs. (S3a) - (S3b) become:

$$133 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l}{AB^2 R_{lm}} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{lmD}}{\partial z_D^2} + \frac{R_m \nu_{lm} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{lm}} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{lmD}}{\partial z_D} - (s + \varepsilon_{lm} + \mu_{lmD}) \bar{C}_{lmD} + \varepsilon_{lm} \bar{C}_{limD} +$$

$$134 C_{lmD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D}) = 0, \quad z_D \leq -1, \quad (S25a)$$

$$135 s \bar{C}_{limD} - C_{limD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D}) = \varepsilon_{lim} (\bar{C}_{lmD} - \bar{C}_{limD}) - \mu_{limD} \bar{C}_{limD}, \quad (S25b)$$

136 Eq. (S25b) could be rewritten as :

$$137 \bar{C}_{limD} = \frac{\varepsilon_{lim}}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{limD}} \bar{C}_{lmD} + \frac{C_{limD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{limD}}, \quad (S25c)$$

138 Substituting Eq. (S25c) into Eq. (S25a), one has:

$$\begin{aligned}
139 \quad & \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l}{AB^2 R_{lm}} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{lmD}}{\partial z_D^2} + \frac{R_m v_{lm} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{lm}} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{lmD}}{\partial z_D} - \left(s + \varepsilon_{lm} + \mu_{lmD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{lm} \varepsilon_{lim}}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{limD}} \right) \bar{C}_{lmD} + \\
140 \quad & C_{lmD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D}) + \frac{\varepsilon_{lm} C_{limD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{limD}} = 0, \quad z_D \leq -1, \quad (S26)
\end{aligned}$$

141 where $C_{umD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D})$ and $C_{uimD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D})$ are respectively the mobile and immobile
142 concentrations [ML⁻³] of the upper aquitard at the end of the injection phase, $C_{lmD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D})$
143 and $C_{limD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D})$ are respectively the mobile and immobile concentrations [ML⁻³] of the
144 lower aquitard at the end of the injection phase. In this study, we use the Green's function
145 method to derive the analytical solution of Eqs. (S24) and (S26).

146 Notice that the boundary condition of Eq. (S6a) is inhomogeneous, thus we need to
147 homogenize it first. Letting $\bar{C}_{umD} = \mathcal{K}(z_D) + \mathcal{s}_1 + \mathcal{s}_2 z_D$, and substituting them into Eqs. (S5)
148 and (S6a) yields:

$$149 \quad [\mathcal{K}(z_D)]|_{z_D \rightarrow \infty} = 0, \quad (S27a)$$

$$150 \quad [\mathcal{K}(z_D)]|_{z_D=1} = 0, \quad (S27b)$$

$$151 \quad \text{where } \mathcal{s}_1 = -\mathcal{s}_2 z_{eD} \text{ and } \mathcal{s}_2 = \frac{\bar{C}_{mD}(r_D, s)}{1 - z_{eD}}.$$

152 Defining the spatial operator: $L_u = - \left[\frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}} \frac{d^2}{dz_D^2} - \frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{um}} \frac{d}{dz_D} - E_u \right]$, one has:

$$153 \quad L_u \bar{C}_{umD} = L_u [\mathcal{K}(z_D) + \mathcal{s}_1] = F_u(z_D), \quad (S28)$$

154 Let $f_u(z_D) = F_u(z_D) - L_u[\mathcal{s}_1 + \mathcal{s}_2 z_D]$, one has:

$$155 \quad \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}} \frac{d^2 \mathcal{K}}{dz_D^2} - \frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{um}} \frac{d \mathcal{K}}{dz_D} - E_u \mathcal{K} = -f_u(z_D), \quad (S29)$$

$$156 \quad \text{where } E_u = s + \varepsilon_{um} + \mu_{umD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{um} \varepsilon_{uim}}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{uimD}},$$

$$157 \quad F_u(z_D) = C_{umD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D}) + \frac{\varepsilon_{um} C_{uimD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{uimD}} \text{ and } f_u(z_D) = C_{umD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D}) +$$

$$158 \quad \frac{\varepsilon_{um} C_{uimD}(r_D, z_D, t_{inj,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{uimD}} - \frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{um}} \mathcal{s}_2 - E_u (\mathcal{s}_1 + \mathcal{s}_2 z_D).$$

159 The general solution of Eq. (S24) is:

$$160 \quad \bar{C}_{umD} = \int_1^\infty g_u(z_D, E_u; \eta_u) f_u(\eta_u) d\eta_u + \frac{z_D - z_{eD}}{1 - z_{eD}} \bar{C}_{mD}(r_D, s), z_D \geq 1. \quad (\text{S30})$$

$$161 \quad \text{where } f_u(\eta_u) = C_{umD}(r_D, \eta_u, t_{inj,D}) + \frac{\varepsilon_{um} C_{uimD}(r_D, \eta_u, t_{inj,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{uimD}} - \frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{ABR_{um}} \mathcal{S}_2 - E_u(\mathcal{S}_1 + \mathcal{S}_2 \eta_u), \eta_u$$

162 is a positive value varying between 1 and ∞ (e.g. $1 \leq \eta_u \leq \infty$); $g_u(z_D, E_u; \eta_u)$ is the Green's

163 function, and could be expressed as :

$$164 \quad g_u(z_D, E_u; \eta_u) = \begin{cases} g_{u1}(z_D, E_u; \eta_u) = N_1 \exp(a_1 z_D) + N_2 \exp(a_2 z_D) & 1 \leq z_D < \eta_u \\ g_{u2}(z_D, E_u; \eta_u) = N_3 \exp(a_1 z_D) + N_4 \exp(a_2 z_D) & \eta_u \leq z_D < \infty \end{cases} \quad (\text{S31})$$

165 where N_1 , N_2 , N_3 and N_4 are coefficients to be determined using the following conditions

166 [*Chen and Woodside*, 1988]:

167 a) $g_u(z_D, E_u; \eta_u)$ satisfying the model of Eqs. (S29) and (S27a)-(S27b);

168 b) $g_{u1}(z_D, E_u; \eta_u) = g_{u2}(z_D, E_u; \eta_u)$;

$$169 \quad \text{c) } \left. \frac{dg_{u2}}{dz_D} \right|_{z_D=\eta_u^+} - \left. \frac{dg_{u1}}{dz_D} \right|_{z_D=\eta_u^-} = -\frac{AB^2 R_{um}}{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u};$$

170 Substituting Eq. (S31) into Eq. (S27a), one has:

$$171 \quad N_3 = 0, \quad (\text{S32})$$

172 Substituting Eq. (S31) into Eq. (S27b), one has:

$$173 \quad N_1 \exp(a_1) + N_2 \exp(a_2) = 0, \quad (\text{S33a})$$

174 According to Eq. (S33a), one has:

$$175 \quad N_1 = -N_2 \exp(a_2 - a_1), \quad (\text{S33b})$$

176 According to above condition of b), one has:

$$177 \quad N_1 \exp(a_1 \eta_u) + N_2 \exp(a_2 \eta_u) = N_4 \exp(a_2 \eta_u), \quad (\text{S34})$$

178 According to above condition of c), one has:

$$179 \quad N_4 a_2 \exp(a_2 \eta_u) - [N_1 a_1 \exp(a_1 \eta_u) + N_2 a_2 \exp(a_2 \eta_u)] = -\frac{AB^2 R_{um}}{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}. \quad (\text{S35})$$

180 In the chaser phase, the values of N_1 , N_2 , N_3 and N_4 could be determined by Eqs. (S33a) -
 181 (S35), namely:

$$182 \quad N_1 = -N_2 \exp(a_2 - a_1), N_2 = \frac{-AB^2 R_{um}}{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u [(a_1 - a_2) \exp(a_2 - a_1) \exp(a_1 \eta_u)]}, N_3 = 0 \text{ and}$$

$$183 \quad N_4 = N_2 - N_2 \exp(a_2 - a_1) \exp(a_1 \eta_u - a_2 \eta_u).$$

184 As for the analytical solution of the lower aquitard, one could use a similar approach as that
 185 used for deriving the analytical solution of the upper aquitard to obtain, and the general solution
 186 of Eq. (S26) could be described as:

$$187 \quad \bar{C}_{lmD} = \int_{-1}^{-\infty} g_l(z_D, E_l; \eta_l) f_l(\eta_l) d\eta_l + \frac{z_{eD} + z_D}{z_{eD} - 1} \bar{C}_{mD}(r_D, z_D, s), z_D \leq -1. \quad (\text{S36a})$$

$$188 \quad g_l(z_D, E_l; \eta_l) = \begin{cases} g_{l1}(z_D, E_l; \eta_l) = M_1 \exp(b_1 z_D) + M_2 \exp(b_2 z_D) & -1 \leq z_D < \eta_l \\ g_{l2}(z_D, E_l; \eta_l) = M_3 \exp(b_1 z_D) + M_4 \exp(b_2 z_D) & \eta_l \leq z_D < -\infty \end{cases}, \quad (\text{S36b})$$

$$189 \quad f_l(\eta_l) = C_{lmD}(r_D, \eta_l, t_{inj,D}) + \frac{\varepsilon_{lm} C_{limD}(r_D, \eta_l, t_{inj,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{lmD}} + \frac{R_m v_{lm} \alpha_r^2 \bar{C}_{mD}}{ABR_{lm} z_{eD} - 1} - \bar{C}_{mD} E_l \frac{z_{eD} + \eta_l}{z_{eD} - 1}, \quad (\text{S36c})$$

190 where η_l is a negative value varying between -1 and $-\infty$ (e.g. $-1 \leq \eta_l \leq -\infty$); $g_l(z_D, E_l; \eta_l)$ is
 191 the Green's function, $E_l = s + \varepsilon_{lm} + \mu_{lmD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{lm} \varepsilon_{lim}}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{lmD}}$, and the values of M_1 , M_2 , M_3 and M_4

$$192 \quad \text{could be described as: } M_1 = -M_2 \exp(b_1 - b_2), M_2 = \frac{-AB^2 R_{lm}}{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l [\exp(b_2 \eta_l - b_1 \eta_l) - b_2 \exp(b_2 \eta_l)]},$$

193 $M_3 = M_2 \exp(b_2 \eta_l - b_1 \eta_l) - M_2 \exp(b_1 - b_2)$, $M_4 = 0$, and the values of a_1 , a_2 , b_1 and b_2 are
 194 the same as used in the injection phase.

195 In the chaser phase, the dimensional boundary conditions Eqs. (15a)-(15b) are transformed
 196 into dimensionless forms as:

$$197 \quad \beta_{cha,D} \left. \frac{\partial C_{mD}(r_D, t_D)}{\partial t_D} \right|_{r_D=r_{wD}} = C_{mD}(r_D, t_D), t_{inj,D} < t_D \leq t_{cha,D}, \quad (\text{S37a})$$

$$198 \quad C_{cha,mD}(r_D, t_D) \Big|_{t_D=t_{inj,D}} = C_{inj,mD}(r_D, t_D) \Big|_{t_D=t_{inj,D}}, t_{inj,D} < t_D \leq t_{cha,D}. \quad (\text{S37b})$$

$$199 \quad \text{where } \beta_{cha,D} = -\frac{V_{w,cha} r_{wD}}{\xi R_m \alpha_r}.$$

200 Conducting Laplace transform on Eqs. (S1a)-(S1b) in the chaser phase, one has:

$$201 \quad s\bar{C}_{mD} - C_{mD}(r_D, t_{inj,D}) = \frac{1}{r_D} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{mD}}{\partial r_D^2} - \frac{1}{r_D} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{mD}}{\partial r_D} - (\varepsilon_m + \mu_{mD})\bar{C}_{mD} + \varepsilon_m \bar{C}_{imD} -$$

$$202 \quad \left(\frac{\theta_{um}\alpha_r^2 v_{um}}{2A\theta_m B} \bar{C}_{umD} - \frac{\theta_{um}\alpha_r^2 D_u}{2A\theta_m B^2} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{umD}}{\partial z_D} \right) \Big|_{z_D=1} + \left(\frac{\theta_{lm}\alpha_r^2 v_{lm}}{2A\theta_m B} \bar{C}_{lmD} - \frac{\theta_{lm}\alpha_r^2 D_l}{2AB^2\theta_m} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{lmD}}{\partial z_D} \right) \Big|_{z_D=-1},$$

$$203 \quad r_D \geq r_{wD}. \quad (S38a)$$

$$204 \quad \bar{C}_{imD} = \frac{\varepsilon_{im}}{(s+\mu_{imD}+\varepsilon_{im})} \bar{C}_{mD} + \frac{C_{imD}(r_D, t_{inj,D})}{(s+\mu_{imD}+\varepsilon_{im})}, \quad r_D \geq r_{wD}, \quad (S38b)$$

205 where $C_{mD}(r_D, t_{inj,D})$ and $C_{imD}(r_D, t_{inj,D})$ are respectively the mobile and immobile
 206 concentrations [ML⁻³] of the aquifer at the end of the injection phase, which could be calculated
 207 by Eqs. (S21) and (S17b).

208 After substituting Eqs. (S30), (S36a)-(S36c) and (S38b) into Eq. (S38a), one has:

$$209 \quad \frac{1}{r_D} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{mD}}{\partial r_D^2} - \frac{1}{r_D} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{mD}}{\partial r_D} - E_a \bar{C}_{mD} + F = 0, \quad r_D \geq r_{wD}, \quad (S39)$$

$$210 \quad \text{where } E_a = s + \varepsilon_m + \mu_{mD} - \frac{\varepsilon_m \varepsilon_{im}}{s + \mu_{imD} + \varepsilon_{im}} + \frac{\theta_{um}\alpha_r^2 v_{um}}{2A\theta_m B} - \frac{\theta_{lm}\alpha_r^2 v_{lm}}{2AB^2\theta_m} - \frac{1}{1-z_{eD}} \frac{\theta_{um}\alpha_r^2 D_u}{2A\theta_m B^2} + \frac{1}{z_{eD}-1} \frac{\theta_{lm}\alpha_r^2 D_l}{2AB^2\theta_m}$$

$$211 \quad \text{and } F = C_{mD}(r_D, t_{inj,D}) + \frac{\varepsilon_m C_{imD}(r_D, t_{inj,D})}{s + \mu_{imD} + \varepsilon_{im}}.$$

212 The boundary conditions of Eqs. (S37a)-(S37b) in Laplace domain becomes:

$$213 \quad \bar{C}_{cha,mD}(r_{wD}, s) = \frac{\beta_{cha,D}}{s\beta_{cha,D}+1} C_{inj,mD}(r_D, t_D) \Big|_{t_D=t_{inj,D}}. \quad (S40)$$

214 The boundary conditions of the wellbore and infinity in Laplace domain are:

$$215 \quad \left[\bar{C}_{mD} - \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{mD}(r_D, s)}{\partial r_D} \right] \Big|_{r=r_{wD}} = \frac{\beta_{cha,D}}{s\beta_{cha,D}+1} C_{inj,mD}(r_D, t_D) \Big|_{t_D=t_{inj,D}}, \quad (S41a)$$

$$216 \quad \bar{C}_{cha,mD}(r_{wD}, s) \Big|_{r_D \rightarrow \infty} = 0, \quad (S41b)$$

217 Similar to the model of the SWPP test in the injection phase, Eqs. (S39) and (S40)-(S41b)

218 compose a model of the second-order ordinary differential equation (ODE) with boundary

219 conditions, however, the governing equation is an inhomogeneous differential equation. In this
 220 study, we use the Green's function method to derive the analytical solution of Eq. (S39).

221 Notice that the boundary condition of Eq. (S41a) is inhomogeneous, and we need to
 222 homogenize it first. Assigning $\bar{C}_{mD} = \Psi(r_D) + \delta_1 + \delta_2 r_D$, and substituting it into Eqs. (S41a)
 223 and (S41b) yields:

$$224 \quad \left[\Psi(r_D, s) - \frac{\partial \Psi(r_D, s)}{\partial r_D} \right] \Big|_{r=r_{wD}} = 0, \quad (\text{S42a})$$

$$225 \quad \Psi(r_D, s) \Big|_{r_D \rightarrow \infty} = 0, \quad (\text{S42b})$$

226 where $\delta_1 = -\frac{\beta_{cha,D}}{s\beta_{cha,D}+1} \frac{r_D \Big|_{r_D \rightarrow \infty}}{(r_{wD}-r_D \Big|_{r_D \rightarrow \infty}-1)} C_{inj,mD}(r_D, t_D) \Big|_{t_D=t_{inj,D}}$ and

$$227 \quad \delta_2 = \frac{\beta_{cha,D}}{s\beta_{cha,D}+1} \frac{1}{(r_{wD}-r_D \Big|_{r_D \rightarrow \infty}-1)} C_{inj,mD}(r_D, t_D) \Big|_{t_D=t_{inj,D}}.$$

228 Defining a spatial operator: $L = -\left[\frac{d^2}{dr_D^2} - \frac{d}{dr_D} - r_D E_a \right]$, one has:

$$229 \quad L\bar{C}_{mD} = L[\Psi(r_D) + \delta_1 + \delta_2 r_D] = Fr_D, \quad (\text{S43})$$

230 Let $\varphi(r_D) = Fr_D - L(\delta_1 + \delta_2 r_D)$, one has:

$$231 \quad \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial r_D^2} - \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial r_D} - r_D E_a \Psi = -\varphi(r_D). \quad (\text{S44})$$

232 where $\varphi(r_D) = Fr_D - [\delta_2 + r_D E_a(\delta_1 + \delta_2 r_D)]$.

233 The general solution of Eqs. (S42a) - (S44) is:

$$234 \quad \Psi(r_D, E_a; \eta) = \int_{r_{wD}}^{\infty} g(r_D, E_a; \eta) \varphi(\eta) d\eta. \quad (\text{S45})$$

235 where η is a positive value varying between r_{wD} and ∞ (e.g. $r_{wD} \leq \eta \leq \infty$); $g(r_D, E_a; \eta)$ is the
 236 Green's function, and could be expressed as :

$$237 \quad g(r_D, E_a; \eta) = \begin{cases} g_1(r_D, E_a; \eta) = \mathcal{J}_1 \exp\left(\frac{y_{cha}}{2}\right) A_i \left(E_a^{\frac{1}{3}} y_{cha}\right) + \mathcal{J}_2 \exp\left(\frac{y_{cha}}{2}\right) B_i \left(E_a^{\frac{1}{3}} y_{cha}\right) & r_{wD} \leq y_{cha} \leq \eta \\ g_2(r_D, E_a; \eta) = \mathcal{J}_3 \exp\left(\frac{y_{cha}}{2}\right) A_i \left(E_a^{\frac{1}{3}} y_{cha}\right) + \mathcal{J}_4 \exp\left(\frac{y_{cha}}{2}\right) B_i \left(E_a^{\frac{1}{3}} y_{cha}\right) & \eta \leq y_{cha} \leq \infty \end{cases}. \quad (\text{S46})$$

238 where $\varphi(\eta) = F\eta - [\delta_2 + \eta E_a(\delta_1 + \delta_2\eta)]$, $y_{cha} = r_D + \frac{1}{4E_a}$. As $B_i(r_D)$ diverges when $r_D \rightarrow$

239 ∞ , \mathcal{T}_4 has to be zero. Substituting Eq. (S45) into Eq. (S42a), one has:

$$240 \quad \left[g_1 - \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial r_D} \right] \Big|_{r_D=r_{wD}} = 0, \quad (\text{S47})$$

241 According to Eq. (S47), one has:

$$242 \quad \mathcal{T}_1 = -\mathcal{T}_2 X. \quad (\text{S48})$$

243 where $X = \frac{\frac{1}{2}B_i(E_a^{1/3}y_{cha,w}) - E_a^{1/3}B_i'(E_a^{1/3}y_{cha,w})}{\frac{1}{2}A_i(E_a^{1/3}y_{cha,w}) - E_a^{1/3}A_i'(E_a^{1/3}y_{cha,w})}$ and $y_{cha,w} = r_{wD} + \frac{1}{4E_a}$.

244 According to above condition of b), one has:

$$245 \quad \mathcal{T}_1 A_i \left(E_a^{\frac{1}{3}} y_{cha} \Big|_{r_D=\eta^+} \right) + \mathcal{T}_2 B_i \left(E_a^{\frac{1}{3}} y_{cha} \Big|_{r_D=\eta^+} \right) = \mathcal{T}_3 A_i \left(E_a^{1/3} y_{cha} \Big|_{r_D=\eta^-} \right). \quad (\text{S49})$$

246 According to above condition of c), one has:

$$247 \quad \left[\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{T}_3 \exp \left(\frac{y_{cha}}{2} \right) A_i \left(E_a^{\frac{1}{3}} y_{cha} \right) + E_a^{\frac{1}{3}} \mathcal{T}_3 \exp \left(\frac{y_{cha}}{2} \right) A_i' \left(E_a^{\frac{1}{3}} y_{cha} \right) \right] \Big|_{r_D=\eta^-} -$$

$$248 \quad \left[0.5 \mathcal{T}_1 \exp \left(\frac{y_{cha}}{2} \right) A_i \left(E_a^{\frac{1}{3}} y_{cha} \right) + E_a^{\frac{1}{3}} \mathcal{T}_1 \exp \left(\frac{y_{cha}}{2} \right) A_i' \left(E_a^{\frac{1}{3}} y_{cha} \right) \right] \Big|_{r_D=\eta^+} -$$

$$249 \quad \left[\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{T}_2 \exp \left(\frac{y_{cha}}{2} \right) B_i \left(E_a^{\frac{1}{3}} y_{cha} \right) + E_a^{\frac{1}{3}} \mathcal{T}_2 \exp \left(\frac{y_{cha}}{2} \right) B_i' \left(E_a^{\frac{1}{3}} y_{cha} \right) \right] \Big|_{r_D=\eta^+} = -1. \quad (\text{S50})$$

250 For solution in the chaser phase, the values of \mathcal{T}_1 , \mathcal{T}_2 , \mathcal{T}_3 and \mathcal{T}_4 could be determined by Eqs.

251 (S48) - (S50), namely:

$$252 \quad \mathcal{T}_1 = -\frac{\pi A_i(y_{ext}|_{r_D=\eta^+})}{E_a^{1/3}} X, \quad \mathcal{T}_2 = \frac{\pi A_i(y_{ext}|_{r_D=\eta^+})}{E_a^{1/3}}, \quad \mathcal{T}_3 = \frac{\pi A_i(y_{ext}|_{r_D=\eta^+})}{E_a^{1/3}} \left[\frac{B_i(y_{ext}|_{r_D=\eta^+})}{A_i(y_{ext}|_{r_D=\eta^+})} - X \right] \text{ and}$$

$$253 \quad \mathcal{T}_4 = 0.$$

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255 ***SI.3 Solutions in the rest phase: Eqs. (27a) - (27f)***

256 In the rest phase, the flow velocity become zero, and the advection and dispersion terms
 257 drop out of the governing equations. After conducting Laplace transform on Eqs. (S2a)-(S2b),
 258 the following equations would be obtained:

$$259 \quad (s + \varepsilon_{um} + \mu_{umD})\bar{C}_{umD} - \varepsilon_{um}\bar{C}_{uimD} - C_{umD}(r_D, z_D, t_{cha,D}) = 0, z_D \geq 1. \quad (S51a)$$

$$260 \quad \bar{C}_{uimD} = \frac{\varepsilon_{uim}}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{umD}}\bar{C}_{umD} + \frac{C_{uimD}(r_D, z_D, t_{cha,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{umD}}, z_D \geq 1, \quad (S51b)$$

261 Substituting Eq. (S51b) into Eq. (S51a), one has:

$$262 \quad \left(s + \varepsilon_{um} + \mu_{umD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{um}\varepsilon_{uim}}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{umD}} \right) \bar{C}_{umD} - C_{umD}(r_D, z_D, t_{cha,D}) - \frac{\varepsilon_{um}C_{uimD}(r_D, z_D, t_{cha,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{umD}} =$$

$$263 \quad 0, z_D \geq 1. \quad (S52)$$

264 Similarly, Eqs. (S3a) - (S3b) become:

$$265 \quad (s + \varepsilon_{lm} + \mu_{lmD})\bar{C}_{lmD} - \varepsilon_{lm}\bar{C}_{limD} - C_{lmD}(r_D, z_D, t_{cha,D}) = 0, z_D \leq -1. \quad (S53a)$$

$$266 \quad \bar{C}_{limD} = \frac{\varepsilon_{lim}}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{lmD}}\bar{C}_{lmD} + \frac{C_{limD}(r_D, z_D, t_{cha,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{lmD}}, z_D \leq -1, \quad (S53b)$$

267 Substituting Eq. (S45b) into Eq. (S45a), one has:

$$268 \quad \left(s + \varepsilon_{lm} + \mu_{lmD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{lm}\varepsilon_{lim}}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{limD}} \right) \bar{C}_{lmD} - C_{lmD}(r_D, z_D, t_{cha,D}) - \frac{\varepsilon_{lm}C_{limD}(r_D, z_D, t_{cha,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{limD}} =$$

$$269 \quad 0, z_D \leq -1. \quad (S54)$$

270 According to Eqs. (S52) and (S54), one has:

$$271 \quad \bar{C}_{umD} = \frac{C_{umD}(r_D, z_D, t_{cha,D}) + \frac{\varepsilon_{um}C_{uimD}(r_D, z_D, t_{cha,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{umD}}}{\left(s + \varepsilon_{um} + \mu_{umD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{um}\varepsilon_{uim}}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{umD}} \right)}, z_D \geq 1, \quad (S55a)$$

$$272 \quad \bar{C}_{lmD} = \frac{C_{lmD}(r_D, z_D, t_{cha,D}) + \frac{\varepsilon_{lm}C_{limD}(r_D, z_D, t_{cha,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{limD}}}{\left(s + \varepsilon_{lm} + \mu_{lmD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{lm}\varepsilon_{lim}}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{limD}} \right)}, z_D \leq -1, \quad (S55b)$$

273 where $C_{umD}(r_D, z_D, t_{cha,D})$ and $C_{uimD}(r_D, z_D, t_{cha,D})$ are respectively the mobile and immobile

274 concentrations [ML^{-3}] of the upper aquitard at the end of the chaser phase, $C_{lmD}(r_D, z_D, t_{cha,D})$

275 and $C_{imD}(r_D, z_D, t_{cha,D})$ are respectively the mobile and immobile concentrations [ML⁻³] of the
 276 lower aquitard at the end of the chaser phase.

277 Similarly, the dimensionless governing equation of the mobile zone during the rest phase is:

$$278 \quad \frac{\partial C_{mD}}{\partial t_D} = -\varepsilon_m(C_{mD} - C_{imD}) - \mu_{mD}C_{mD}, r_D \geq r_{wD}. \quad (S56a)$$

$$279 \quad \frac{\partial C_{imD}}{\partial t_D} = \varepsilon_{im}(C_{mD} - C_{imD}) - \mu_{imD}C_{imD}, r_D \geq r_{wD}, \quad (S56b)$$

280 Conducting Laplace transform to Eqs. (S56a) and (S56b) for the rest phase, one has:

$$281 \quad s\bar{C}_{mD} - C_{mD}(r_D, t_{cha,D}) = -\varepsilon_m(\bar{C}_{mD} - \bar{C}_{imD}) - \mu_{mD}\bar{C}_{mD}, r_D \geq r_{wD}. \quad (S57a)$$

$$282 \quad s\bar{C}_{imD} - C_{imD}(r_D, t_{cha,D}) = \varepsilon_{im}(\bar{C}_{mD} - \bar{C}_{imD}) - \mu_{imD}\bar{C}_{imD}, r_D \geq r_{wD}, \quad (S57b)$$

283 According to Eqs. (S57a)-(S57b), one has:

$$284 \quad \bar{C}_{mD} = \frac{C_{mD}(r_D, t_{cha,D}) + \frac{\varepsilon_m C_{imD}(r_D, t_{cha,D})}{(s + \mu_{imD} + \varepsilon_{im})}}{\left[s + \varepsilon_m + \mu_{mD} - \frac{\varepsilon_m \varepsilon_{im}}{(s + \mu_{imD} + \varepsilon_{im})} \right]}. \quad (S58a)$$

$$285 \quad \bar{C}_{imD} = \frac{C_{imD}(r_D, t_{cha,D})}{(s + \mu_{imD} + \varepsilon_{im})} + \frac{\varepsilon_{im} \bar{C}_{mD}}{(s + \mu_{imD} + \varepsilon_{im})}. \quad (S58b)$$

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287 ***S1.4 Solutions in the extraction phase: Eqs. (28a) - (28g)***

288 Contrary to the injection and chaser phases, the direction of advective flux is reversed in the
 289 extraction stage, Eqs. (S2a) and (S3a) are modified as:

$$290 \quad \frac{\partial C_{umD}}{\partial t_D} = \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}} \frac{\partial^2 C_{umD}}{\partial z_D^2} + \frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{um}} \frac{\partial C_{umD}}{\partial z_D} - \varepsilon_{um}(C_{umD} - C_{uimD}) - \mu_{umD}C_{umD},$$

$$291 \quad z_D \geq 1, \quad (S59a)$$

$$292 \quad \frac{\partial C_{lmD}}{\partial t_D} = \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l}{AB^2 R_{lm}} \frac{\partial^2 C_{lmD}}{\partial z_D^2} - \frac{R_m v_{lm} \alpha_r^2}{AB R_{lm}} \frac{\partial C_{lmD}}{\partial z_D} - \varepsilon_{lm}(C_{lmD} - C_{limD}) - \mu_{lmD}C_{lmD},$$

$$293 \quad z_D \leq -1, \quad (S59b)$$

294 Conducting Laplace transform on Eqs. (S2b) and (S59a), one has:

$$295 \quad s\bar{C}_{umD} - C_{umD}(r_D, z_D, t_{res,D}) = \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{umD}}{\partial z_D^2} + \frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{ABR_{um}} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{umD}}{\partial z_D} - \varepsilon_{um}(\bar{C}_{umD} - \bar{C}_{uimD}) -$$

$$296 \quad \mu_{umD} \bar{C}_{umD}, z_D \geq 1, \quad (S60a)$$

$$297 \quad \bar{C}_{uimD} = \frac{\varepsilon_{uim} \bar{C}_{umD}}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{uimD}} + \frac{C_{uimD}(r_D, z_D, t_{res,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{uimD}}, z_D \geq 1, \quad (S60b)$$

298 Substituting Eqs. (S60b) into Eq. (S60a), one can has:

$$299 \quad \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{umD}}{\partial z_D^2} + \frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{ABR_{um}} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{umD}}{\partial z_D} - \left(s + \varepsilon_{um} + \mu_{umD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{um} \varepsilon_{uim}}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{uimD}} \right) \bar{C}_{umD} +$$

$$300 \quad C_{umD}(r_D, z_D, t_{res,D}) + \frac{\varepsilon_{um} C_{uimD}(r_D, z_D, t_{res,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{uimD}} = 0, z_D \geq 1, \quad (S61)$$

301 Similarly, conducting Laplace transform on Eqs. (S3b) and (S59b), one has:

$$302 \quad s\bar{C}_{lmD} - C_{lmD}(r_D, z_D, t_{res,D}) = \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l}{AB^2 R_{lm}} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{lmD}}{\partial z_D^2} - \frac{R_m v_{lm} \alpha_r^2}{ABR_{lm}} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{lmD}}{\partial z_D} - \varepsilon_{lm}(\bar{C}_{lmD} - \bar{C}_{limD}) -$$

$$303 \quad \mu_{lmD} \bar{C}_{lmD}, z_D \leq -1, \quad (S62a)$$

$$304 \quad \bar{C}_{limD} = \frac{\varepsilon_{lim} \bar{C}_{lmD}}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{limD}} + \frac{C_{limD}(r_D, z_D, t_{res,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{limD}}, z_D \leq -1, \quad (S62b)$$

305 Substituting Eqs. (S62b) into Eq.(S62a), one has:

$$306 \quad \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l}{AB^2 R_{lm}} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{lmD}}{\partial z_D^2} - \frac{R_m v_{lm} \alpha_r^2}{ABR_{lm}} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{lmD}}{\partial z_D} - \left(s + \varepsilon_{lm} + \mu_{lmD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{lm} \varepsilon_{lim}}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{limD}} \right) \bar{C}_{lmD} +$$

$$307 \quad C_{lmD}(r_D, z_D, t_{res,D}) + \frac{\varepsilon_{lm} C_{limD}(r_D, z_D, t_{res,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{limD}} = 0, z_D \leq -1, \quad (S63)$$

308 where $C_{umD}(r_D, z_D, t_{res,D})$ and $C_{uimD}(r_D, z_D, t_{res,D})$ are respectively the mobile and immobile
309 concentrations [ML⁻³] of the upper aquitard at the end of the rest phase, $C_{lmD}(r_D, z_D, t_{res,D})$ and
310 $C_{limD}(r_D, z_D, t_{res,D})$ are respectively the mobile and immobile concentrations [ML⁻³] of the
311 lower aquitard at the end of the rest phase.

312 One could use a similar approach of obtaining the analytical solution of aquitards in the
313 chaser phase to derive the solution of aquitards in the extraction phase. The general solution of
314 (S61) is:

$$315 \quad \bar{C}_{umD} = \int_1^{\infty} g_u(z_D, E_u; \mathcal{L}_u) f_u(\mathcal{L}_u) d\mathcal{L}_u + \frac{z_D - z_{eD}}{1 - z_{eD}} \bar{C}_{mD}(r_D, s), \quad z_D \geq 1, \quad (\text{S64a})$$

$$316 \quad g_u(z_D, E_u; \mathcal{L}_u) = \begin{cases} g_{u1}(z_D, E_u; \mathcal{L}_u) = H_1 \exp(m_1 z_D) + H_2 \exp(m_2 z_D) & 1 \leq z_D < \mathcal{L}_u \\ g_{u2}(z_D, E_u; \mathcal{L}_u) = H_3 \exp(m_1 z_D) + H_4 \exp(m_2 z_D) & \mathcal{L}_u \leq z_D < \infty \end{cases} \quad (\text{S64b})$$

$$317 \quad f_u(\mathcal{L}_u) =$$

$$318 \quad C_{umD}(r_D, \mathcal{L}_u, t_{res,D}) + \frac{\varepsilon_{um} C_{uimD}(r_D, \mathcal{L}_u, t_{res,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{uim} + \mu_{uimD}} + \frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2 \bar{C}_{mD}(r_D, s)}{ABR_{um} (1 - z_{eD})} - \frac{\mathcal{L}_u - z_{eD}}{1 - z_{eD}} E_u \bar{C}_{mD}(r_D, s),$$

$$319 \quad (\text{S64c})$$

320 The general solution of Eq. (S63) could be described as:

$$321 \quad \bar{C}_{lmD} = \int_{-1}^{-\infty} g_l(z_D, E_l; \mathcal{L}_l) f_l(\mathcal{L}_l) d\mathcal{L}_l + \frac{z_D + z_{eD}}{z_{eD} - 1} \bar{C}_{mD}(r_D, s), \quad z_D \leq -1, \quad (\text{S65a})$$

$$322 \quad g_l(z_D, E_l; \mathcal{L}_l) = \begin{cases} g_{l1}(z_D, E_l; \mathcal{L}_l) = I_1 \exp(n_1 z_D) + I_2 \exp(n_2 z_D) & -1 \leq z_D < \mathcal{L}_l \\ g_{l2}(z_D, E_l; \mathcal{L}_l) = I_3 \exp(n_1 z_D) + I_4 \exp(n_2 z_D) & \mathcal{L}_l \leq z_D < -\infty \end{cases} \quad (\text{S65b})$$

$$323 \quad f_l(\mathcal{L}_l) =$$

$$324 \quad C_{mD}(r_D, \mathcal{L}_l, t_{res,D}) + \frac{\varepsilon_{lm} C_{limD}(r_D, \mathcal{L}_l, t_{res,D})}{s + \varepsilon_{lim} + \mu_{limD}} - \frac{R_m v_{lm} \alpha_r^2 \bar{C}_{mD}(r_D, s)}{ABR_{lm} (z_{eD} - 1)} - \frac{\mathcal{L}_l + z_{eD}}{z_{eD} - 1} E_l \bar{C}_{mD}(r_D, s),$$

$$325 \quad (\text{S65c})$$

326 where \mathcal{L}_u is a positive value varying between 1 and ∞ ; \mathcal{L}_l is a negative value varying between

327 -1 and $-\infty$; $g_u(z_D, E_u; \mathcal{L}_u)$ and $g_l(z_D, E_l; \mathcal{L}_l)$ are the Green's functions, $H_1 \sim H_4$ and $I_1 \sim I_4$ are

328 constants which could be determined by the boundary conditions and conditions of a)~c), the

329 values of $H_1 \sim H_4$ and $I_1 \sim I_4$ are as follows: $H_1 = -H_2 \exp(m_2 - m_1)$,

$$330 \quad H_2 = \frac{-AR_{um} B^2}{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u [(m_1 - m_2) \exp(m_2 - m_1) \exp(m_1 \mathcal{L}_u)]}, \quad H_3 = 0, \quad H_4 = H_2 - H_2 \exp(m_2 - m_1) \exp(m_1 \mathcal{L}_u - m_2 \mathcal{L}_u),$$

$$331 \quad I_1 = -I_2 \exp(n_1 - n_2), \quad I_2 = \frac{-AB^2 R_{lm}}{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l [\exp(n_2 \mathcal{L}_l - n_1 \mathcal{L}_l) - n_2 \exp(n_2 \mathcal{L}_l)]}$$

$$332 \quad I_3 = I_2 \exp(n_2 \mathcal{L}_l - n_1 \mathcal{L}_l) - I_2 \exp(n_1 - n_2), \quad I_4 = 0,$$

$$333 \quad m_1 = \frac{-\frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{ABR_{um}} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{ABR_{um}}\right)^2 + 4 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}} \left(s + \varepsilon_{um} + \mu_{umD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{um} \varepsilon_{uim}}{s + \mu_{uimD} + \varepsilon_{uim}}\right)}}{2 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}}},$$

$$334 \quad m_2 = \frac{\frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{ABR_{um}} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{R_m v_{um} \alpha_r^2}{ABR_{um}}\right)^2 + 4 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}} \left(s + \varepsilon_{um} + \mu_{umD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{um} \varepsilon_{uim}}{s + \mu_{uimD} + \varepsilon_{uim}}\right)}}{2 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_u}{AB^2 R_{um}}},$$

$$335 \quad n_1 = \frac{\frac{R_m v_{lm} \alpha_r^2}{ABR_{lm}} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{R_m v_{lm} \alpha_r^2}{ABR_{lm}}\right)^2 + 4 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l}{AB^2 R_{lm}} \left(s + \varepsilon_{lm} + \mu_{lmD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{lm} \varepsilon_{lim}}{s + \mu_{limD} + \varepsilon_{lim}}\right)}}{2 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l}{AB^2 R_{lm}}} \text{ and}$$

$$336 \quad n_2 = \frac{\frac{R_m v_{lm} \alpha_r^2}{ABR_{lm}} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{R_m v_{lm} \alpha_r^2}{ABR_{lm}}\right)^2 + 4 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l}{AB^2 R_{lm}} \left(s + \varepsilon_{lm} + \mu_{lmD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{lm} \varepsilon_{lim}}{s + \mu_{limD} + \varepsilon_{lim}}\right)}}{2 \frac{R_m \alpha_r^2 D_l}{AB^2 R_{lm}}}.$$

337 Similarly, contrary to the injection and chaser phases, the direction of advective flux is
 338 reversed in the extraction stage, and Eq. (S1a) is modified as:

$$339 \quad \frac{\partial C_{mD}}{\partial t_D} = \frac{1}{r_D} \frac{\partial^2 C_{mD}}{\partial r_D^2} + \frac{1}{r_D} \frac{\partial C_{mD}}{\partial r_D} - \varepsilon_m (C_{mD} - C_{imD}) - \mu_{mD} C_{mD} - \left(-\frac{\theta_{um} \alpha_r^2 v_{um}}{2A\theta_{mB}} C_{umD} - \right.$$

$$340 \quad \left. \frac{\theta_{um} \alpha_r^2 D_u}{2A\theta_{mB}} \frac{\partial C_{umD}}{\partial z_D} \right) \Big|_{z=1} + \left(-\frac{\theta_{lm} \alpha_r^2 v_{lm}}{2AB^2\theta_m} C_{lmD} - \frac{\theta_{lm} \alpha_r^2 D_l}{2AB^2\theta_m} \frac{\partial C_{lmD}}{\partial z_D} \right) \Big|_{z=-1}, \quad r_D \geq r_{wD}. \quad (\text{S66})$$

341 In the extraction phase, the dimensional boundary conditions Eqs. (14a)-(14b) are
 342 transformed to the dimensionless format:

$$343 \quad \beta_{ext,D} \frac{\partial C_{mD}(r_D, t_D)}{\partial t_D} \Big|_{r_D=r_{wD}} = \frac{\partial C_{mD}(r_D, t_D)}{\partial r_D} \Big|_{r_D=r_{wD}}, \quad t_{res,D} < t_D \leq t_{ext,D} \quad (\text{S67a})$$

$$344 \quad C_{mD}(r_D, t_D) \Big|_{t_D=t_{res,D}} = C_{res,mD}(r_D, t_D) \Big|_{t_D=t_{res,D}}. \quad (\text{S67b})$$

$$345 \quad \text{where } \beta_{ext,D} = -\frac{V_{w,ext} r_{wD}}{\xi R_m \alpha_r}.$$

346 Conducting Laplace transform on Eqs. (S58) and (S1b) in the extraction phase, one has:

$$s \bar{C}_{mD} - C_{mD}(r_D, t_{res}) = \frac{1}{r_D} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{mD}}{\partial r_D^2} + \frac{1}{r_D} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{mD}}{\partial r_D} - (\varepsilon_m + \mu_{mD}) \bar{C}_{mD} + \varepsilon_m \bar{C}_{imD} -$$

$$347 \quad \left(-\frac{\theta_{um} \alpha_r^2 v_{um} \bar{C}_{umD}}{2A\theta_{mB}} - \frac{\theta_{um} \alpha_r^2 D_u}{2A\theta_{mB}} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{umD}}{\partial z_D} \right) \Big|_{z_D=1} - \left(\frac{\theta_{lm} \alpha_r^2 v_{lm} \bar{C}_{lmD}}{2Ab^2\theta_m} + \frac{\theta_{lm} \alpha_r^2 D_l}{2Ab^2\theta_m} \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{lmD}}{\partial z_D} \right) \Big|_{z_D=-1},$$

$$348 \quad r_D \geq r_{wD}. \quad (\text{S68a})$$

$$349 \quad \bar{C}_{imD} = \frac{\varepsilon_{im}}{(s+\mu_{imD}+\varepsilon_{im})} \bar{C}_{mD} + \frac{C_{imD}(r_D, t_{res})}{s+\mu_{imD}+\varepsilon_{im}}, r_D \geq r_{wD}, \quad (S68b)$$

350 After substituting Eqs. (S64a)- (S65c) and Eq. (S68b) into Eq. (S68a), one has

$$351 \quad \frac{\partial^2 \bar{C}_{mD}}{\partial r_D^2} + \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{mD}}{\partial r_D} - r_D \zeta \bar{C}_{mD} + r_D \Lambda = 0. \quad (S69)$$

$$352 \quad \text{where } \zeta = s + \varepsilon_m + \mu_{mD} - \frac{\varepsilon_{im}\varepsilon_m}{s+\mu_{imD}+\varepsilon_{im}} - \frac{\theta_{um}\alpha_f^2 v_{um}}{2A\theta_m B} + \frac{\theta_{im}\alpha_f^2 v_{im}}{2AB^2\theta_m} - \frac{1}{1-z_{eD}} \frac{\theta_{um}\alpha_f^2 D_u}{2A\theta_m b} + \frac{1}{z_{eD}-1} \frac{\theta_{im}\alpha_f^2 D_l}{2Ab^2\theta_m},$$

$$353 \quad \Lambda = C_{mD}(r_D, t_{res}) + \frac{\varepsilon_m C_{imD}(r_D, t_{res})}{s+\mu_{imD}+\varepsilon_{im}}; C_{imD}(r_D, t_{res}) \text{ and } C_{mD}(r_D, t_{res}) \text{ represent the initial}$$

354 concentrations in the immobile and mobile domains of the SWPP test in the rest phase.

355 The boundary condition of Eqs. (S67a)-(S67b) in Laplace domain becomes:

$$356 \quad s\beta_{ext,D} \bar{C}_{mD}(r_D, s)|_{r_D=r_{wD}} - \beta_{ext,D} C_{res,m}(r_D, t_D)|_{t_D=t_{res,D}} = \frac{\partial \bar{C}_{mD}(r_D, s)}{\partial r_D} \Big|_{r_D=r_{wD}}. \quad (S70)$$

357 Similar to the model of the SWPP test in the injection phase, Eqs. (S5), (S61) and (S70)

358 compose a model of the second-order ordinary differential equation (ODE) with boundary

359 conditions. However, the governing equation is an inhomogeneous differential equation. In this

360 study, we use the Green's function method to derive the analytical solution of Eq. (S69).

361 Similar to *Chen and Woodside* [1988], Eq. (S69) could be transferred into a self-adjoint

362 form:

$$363 \quad \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial r_D^2} - \left(r_D \zeta + \frac{1}{4}\right) G = -\ell(r_D). \quad (S71)$$

364 where $G = \exp(r_D/2) \bar{C}_{mD}$ and $\ell(r_D) = \exp(r_D/2) r_D \Lambda$.

365 The boundary conditions of Eqs. (S5) and (S70) could be rewritten as:

$$366 \quad G(r_D, s)|_{r_D=\infty} = 0, \quad (S72a)$$

$$367 \quad \left[\left(s\beta_{ext,D} + \frac{1}{2} \right) G - \frac{\partial G}{\partial r_D} \right] \Big|_{r_D=r_{wD}} = \beta_{ext,D} \exp(r_{wD}/2) C_{mD}(r_{wD}, t_{res,D}), \quad (S72b)$$

368 One could find that the boundary condition of Eq. (S72b) is inhomogeneous, and we need to
 369 homogenize it first. Assigning $G = U(r_D) + V(r_D)$ and $V(r_D) = \sigma_1 + \sigma_2 r_D$, and substituting
 370 them into Eqs. (S72a) and (S72b) yields:

$$371 \quad U(r_D, s)|_{r_D=\infty} = 0, \quad (S73a)$$

$$372 \quad \left[\left(s\beta_{ext,D} + \frac{1}{2} \right) U - \frac{\partial U}{\partial r_D} \right] \Big|_{r_D=r_{wD}} = 0, \quad (S73b)$$

$$373 \quad \text{where } \sigma_1 = -\frac{\beta_{ext,D} \exp(r_{wD}/2) C_{mD}(r_{wD}, t_{res,D})}{\left(s\beta_{ext,D} + \frac{1}{2} \right) r_{wD} - 1 - \left(s\beta_{ext,D} + \frac{1}{2} \right) r_D} r_D \Big|_{r_D \rightarrow \infty},$$

$$374 \quad \sigma_2 = \frac{\beta_{ext,D} \exp(r_{wD}/2) C_{mD}(r_{wD}, t_{res,D})}{\left(s\beta_{ext,D} + \frac{1}{2} \right) r_{wD} - 1 - \left(s\beta_{ext,D} + \frac{1}{2} \right) r_D} \Big|_{r_D \rightarrow \infty}.$$

375 After defining a spatial operator: $L = -\frac{d^2}{dr_D^2} + \left(r_D \zeta + \frac{1}{4} \right)$, one has:

$$376 \quad LG = LU(r_D) + LV(r_D) = \ell(r_D), \quad (S74)$$

377 and

$$378 \quad LU(r_D) = \ell(r_D) - LV(r_D). \quad (S75)$$

379 Let $f(r_D) = \ell(r_D) - LV(r_D)$, one has:

$$380 \quad \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial r_D^2} - \left(r_D \zeta + \frac{1}{4} \right) U = -f(r_D). \quad (S76)$$

381 where $f(r_D) = \exp(r_D/2) r_D \Lambda - \left(r_D \zeta + \frac{1}{4} \right) (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 r_D)$.

382 Right now, the model with an inhomogeneous boundary condition becomes a regular
 383 Sturm-Louisville problem. The general solution of Eqs. (S73a) - (S73b) and (S76) is:

$$384 \quad U(r_D, \zeta; \varepsilon) = \int_{r_{wD}}^{\infty} g(r_D, \zeta; \varepsilon) f(\varepsilon) d\varepsilon. \quad (S77)$$

385 where ε is a positive value varying between r_{wD} and ∞ (e.g. $r_{wD} \leq \varepsilon \leq \infty$); $g(r_D, \zeta; \varepsilon)$ is the
 386 Green's function, and could be expressed as :

$$387 \quad g(r_D, \zeta; \varepsilon) = \begin{cases} g_1(r_D, \zeta; \varepsilon) = P_1 A_i(y_{ext}) + P_2 B_i(y_{ext}) & r_{wD} \leq y_{ext} \leq \varepsilon \\ g_2(r_D, \zeta; \varepsilon) = P_3 A_i(y_{ext}) + P_4 B_i(y_{ext}) & \varepsilon \leq y_{ext} \leq \infty \end{cases} \quad (S78)$$

388 where $f(\varepsilon) = \exp(\varepsilon/2)\varepsilon\Lambda - \left(\varepsilon\zeta + \frac{1}{4}\right)(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2\varepsilon)$, $y_{ext} = \zeta^{1/3}\left(r_D + \frac{1}{4\zeta}\right)$, P_1 , P_2 , P_3 and P_4

389 are coefficients to be determined. As $B_i(r_D)$ diverges when $r_D \rightarrow \infty$, P_4 has to be zero.

390 Substituting Eq. (S78) into Eq. (S73b), one has:

$$391 \quad \left[\left(s\beta_{ext,D} + \frac{1}{2} \right) g_1 - \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial r_D} \right] \Big|_{r_D=r_{wD}} = 0, \quad (S79)$$

392 which leads to

$$393 \quad P_1 = -P_2 W. \quad (S80)$$

$$394 \quad \text{where } W = \frac{\left(s\beta_{ext,D} + \frac{1}{2} \right) B_i(y_{ext,w}) - \zeta^{1/3} B'_i(y_{ext,w})}{\left(s\beta_{ext,D} + \frac{1}{2} \right) A_i(y_{ext,w}) - \zeta^{1/3} A'_i(y_{ext,w})}, \quad y_{ext,w} = \zeta^{1/3} \left(r_{wD} + \frac{1}{4\zeta} \right).$$

395 According to the properties of Green's function, one has:

$$396 \quad P_1 A_i(y_{ext}|_{r_D=\varepsilon^+}) + P_2 B_i(y_{ext}|_{r_D=\varepsilon^+}) = P_3 A_i(y_{ext}|_{r_D=\varepsilon^-}). \quad (S81)$$

$$397 \quad \left[P_3 \zeta^{1/3} A'_i(y_{ext}) \right]_{r_D=\varepsilon^-} - \left[P_1 \zeta^{1/3} A'_i(y_{ext}) + P_2 \zeta^{1/3} B'_i(y_{ext}) \right]_{r_D=\varepsilon^+} = -1. \quad (S82)$$

398 The values of P_1 , P_2 and P_3 could be determined by Eqs. (S69) - (S71), namely:

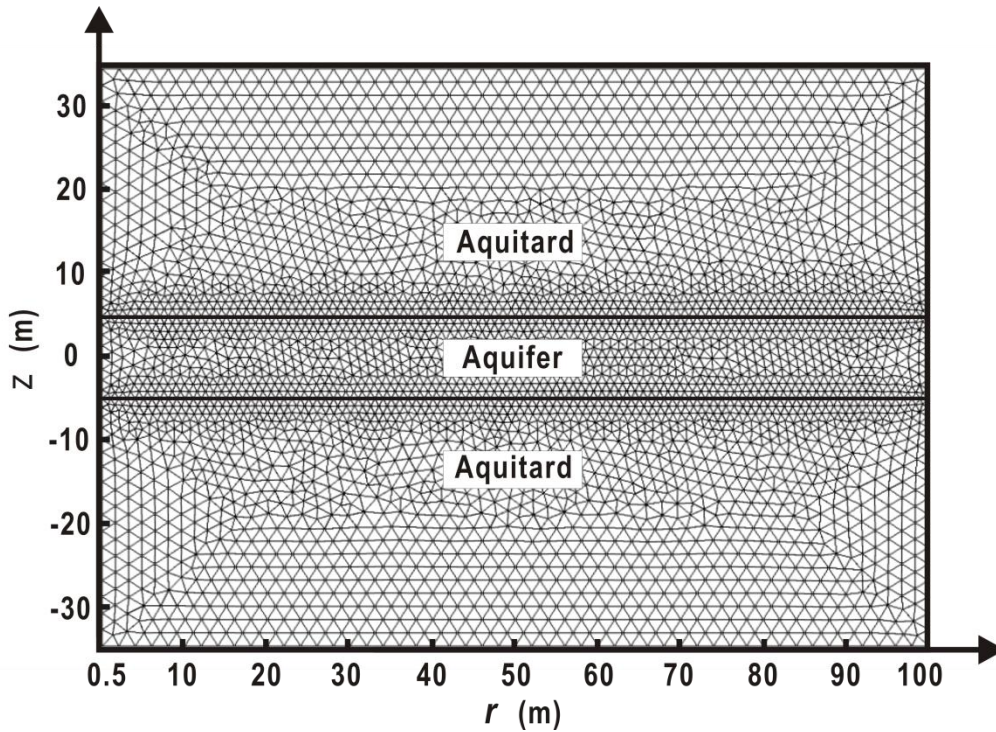
$$399 \quad P_1 = -\frac{\pi A_i(y_{ext}|_{r_D=\varepsilon^+})}{\zeta^{1/3}} W, \quad P_2 = \frac{\pi A_i(y_{ext}|_{r_D=\varepsilon^+})}{\zeta^{1/3}},$$

$$400 \quad P_3 = \frac{\pi A_i(y_{ext}|_{r_D=\varepsilon^+})}{\zeta^{1/3}} \left[\frac{B_i(y_{ext}|_{r_D=\varepsilon^+})}{A_i(y_{ext}|_{r_D=\varepsilon^+})} - W \right].$$

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406 **Figure S1.** The grid mesh of the aquifer-aquitard system used in the Galerkin finite element
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