

Supplementary Material

Ca²⁺ Cycling Impairment in Heart Failure is Exacerbated by Fibrosis: Insights Gained from Mechanistic Simulations

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In the following tables we provide the required information to replicate our simulations:

Supplementary Table 1. Changes in ORd model leading to ORdmm

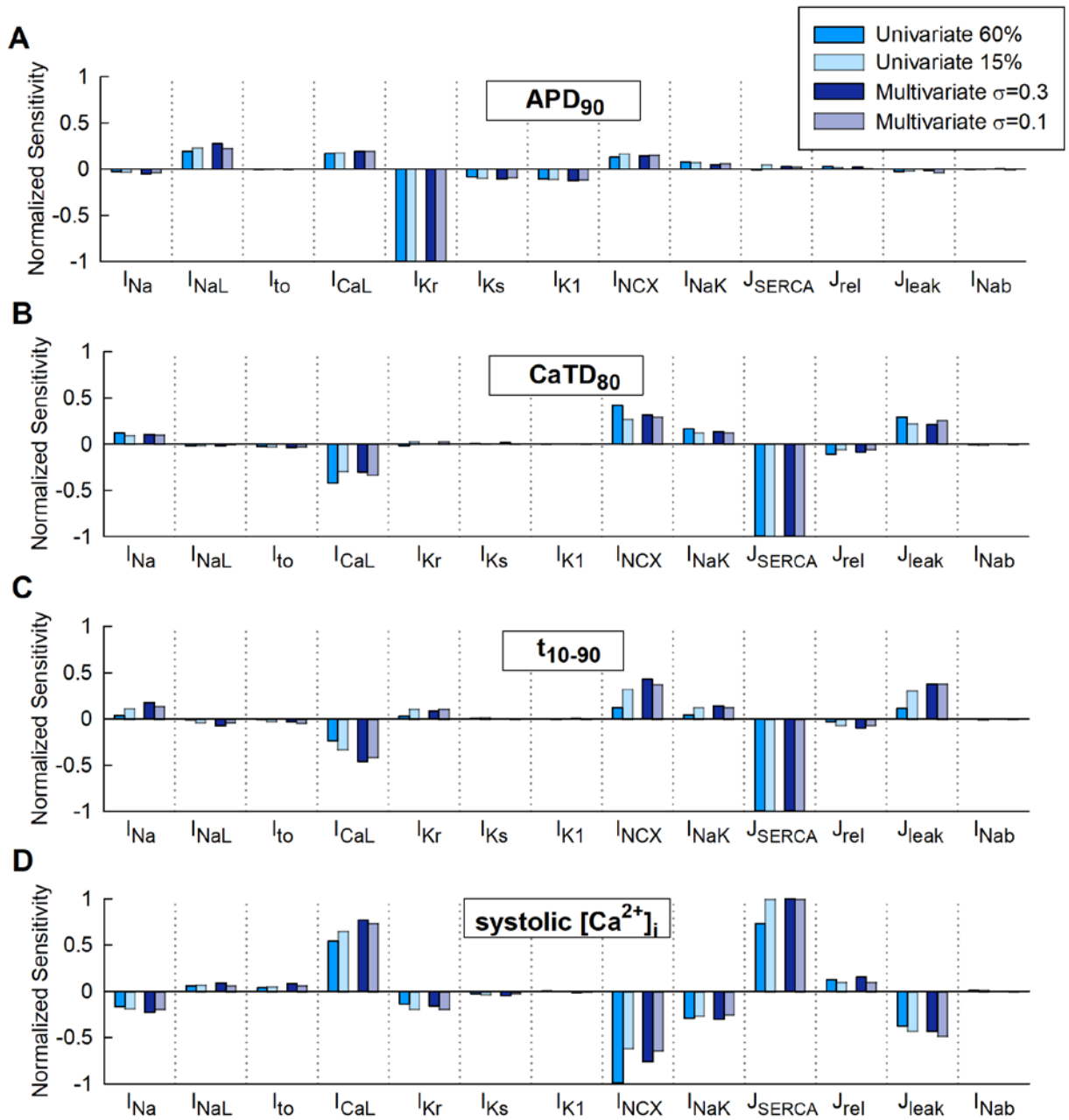
Ion current	New formulation	References
	$G_{Na} = 31 \text{ mS}/\mu\text{F}$	
	$h_{ss} = j_{ss} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{\frac{V+78.5}{6.22}}}$	
I_{Na}	$h_{ssp} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{\frac{V+84.7}{6.22}}}$	(Mora et al., 2017; Passini et al., 2016; ten Tusscher et al., 2004)
	$m_{ss} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{\frac{V+48.97}{7.5}}}$	
I_{NaL}	$G_{NaL} = 0.0144 \text{ mS}/\mu\text{F}$	(Maltsev and Undrovinas, 2006; Mora et al., 2017)

G_{Na} and G_{NaL} are maximal conductances of fast (I_{Na}) and late Na^+ currents (I_{NaL}), V is membrane potential and h_{ss} , j_{ss} , h_{ssp} and m_{ss} are steady-state inactivation and activation gates of I_{Na} .

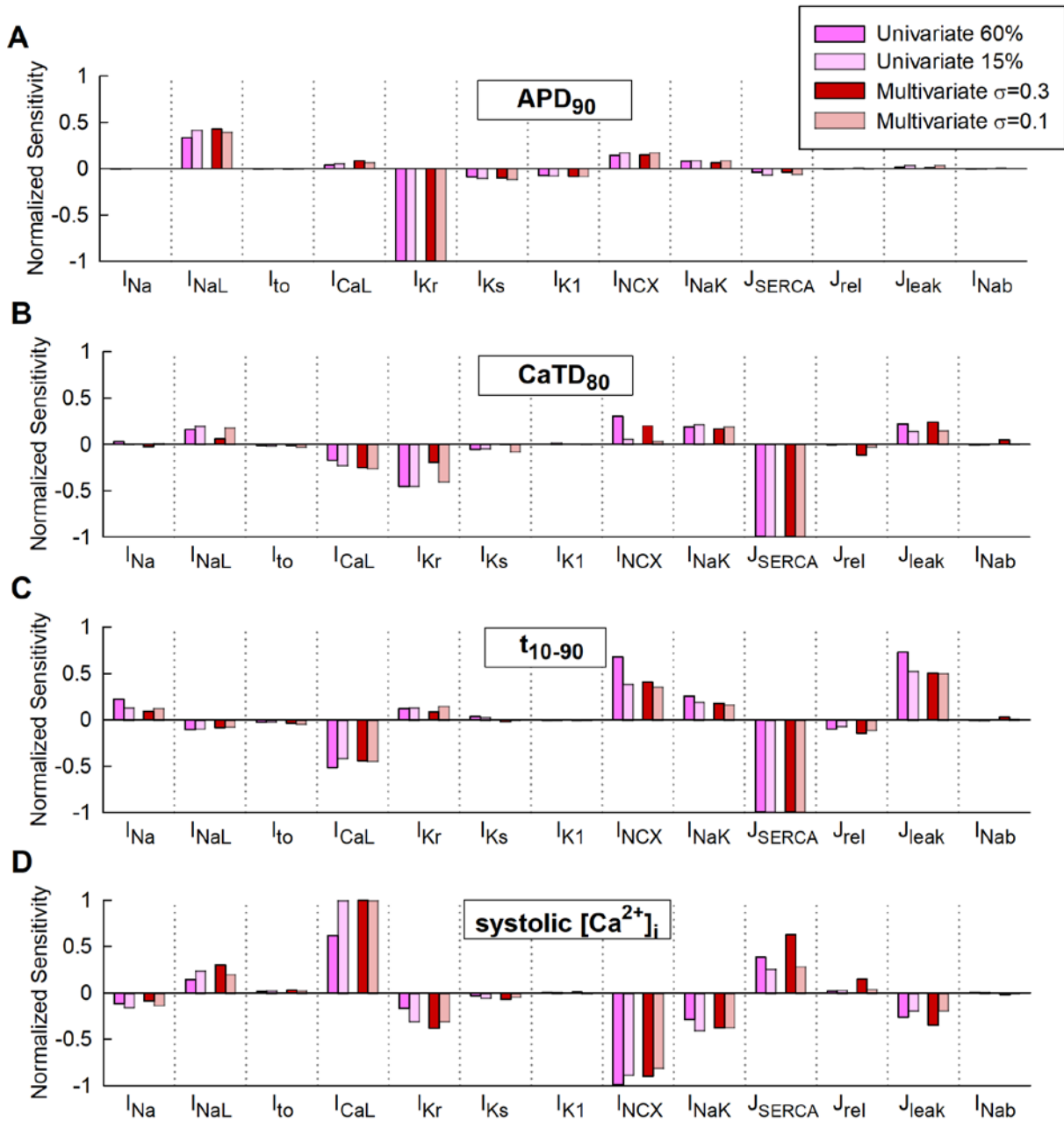
Supplementary Table 2. Heart failure (HF) remodeling in ORdmm model.

Ionic parameter	% of change compared to the ORdmm	Experimental references
I_{NaL}	180 %	(Maltsev et al., 2007)
τ_{hL}	180 %	(Maltsev et al., 2007)
I_{to}	40 %	(Beuckelmann et al., 1993)
I_{K1}	68 %	(Tomaselli and Marban, 1999)
I_{NaK}	70 %	(Bundgaard and Kjeldsen, 1996; Tomaselli, 2004; Tomaselli and Marban, 1999)
I_{NCX}	175 %	(Winslow et al., 1999)
CaMKa	150 %	(Antoons et al., 2007; Sossalla et al., 2011)
J_{SERCA}	50 %	(Piacentino et al., 2003)
J_{leak}	130 %	(Bers et al., 2006)
$K_{rel,Ca}$	80 %	(George, 2007)

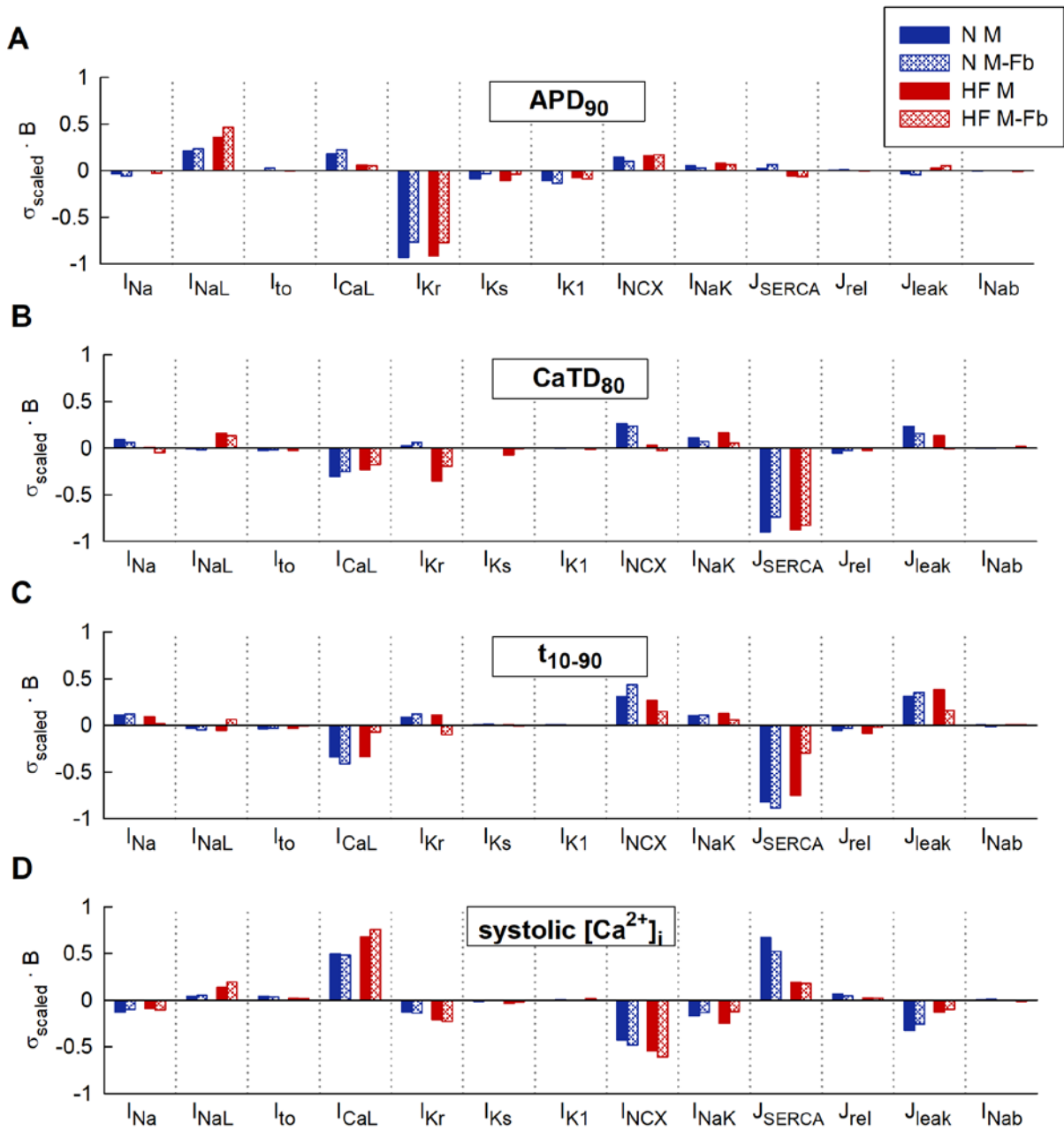
The modified parameters are the maximum values of the late Na^+ current (I_{NaL}), the time constant of inactivation of the I_{NaL} (τ_{hL}), the transient outward current (I_{to}), the inward rectifier K^+ current (I_{K1}), the Na^+/K^+ pump current (I_{NaK}), the Na^+/Ca^{2+} exchanger (I_{NCX}), the fraction of active binding sites of the Ca^{+2} calmodulin-dependent protein kinase II (CaMKa), the sarcoplasmic reticulum (SR) Ca^{2+} pump (J_{SERCA}), the SR Ca^{2+} leak (J_{leak}) and the sensitivity to $[Ca^{2+}]_{JSR}$ of the ryanodine receptors (Ca^{2+} sensitivity of $J_{rel,\infty}$, called $K_{rel,Ca}$).



Supplementary Figure 1. Univariate and multivariate sensitivities in normal conditions with high and low parameter variability. Modulators of A) action potential duration to 90% of repolarization (APD_{90}), B) Ca^{2+} transient (CaT) duration to 80% of recovery ($CaTD_{80}$), C) CaT rise time (t_{10-90}) and, D) Systolic peak of CaT.

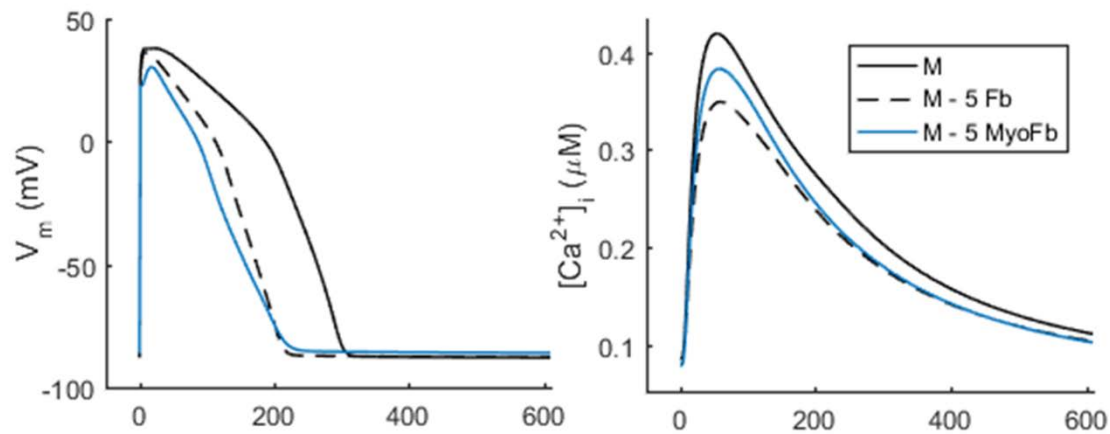


Supplementary Figure 2. Univariate and multivariate sensitivities in heart failure with high and low parameter variability. Modulators of A) action potential duration to 90% of repolarization (APD₉₀), B) Ca²⁺ transient (CaT) duration to 80% of recovery (CaTD₈₀), C) CaT rise time (t₁₀₋₉₀) and, D) Systolic peak of CaT.

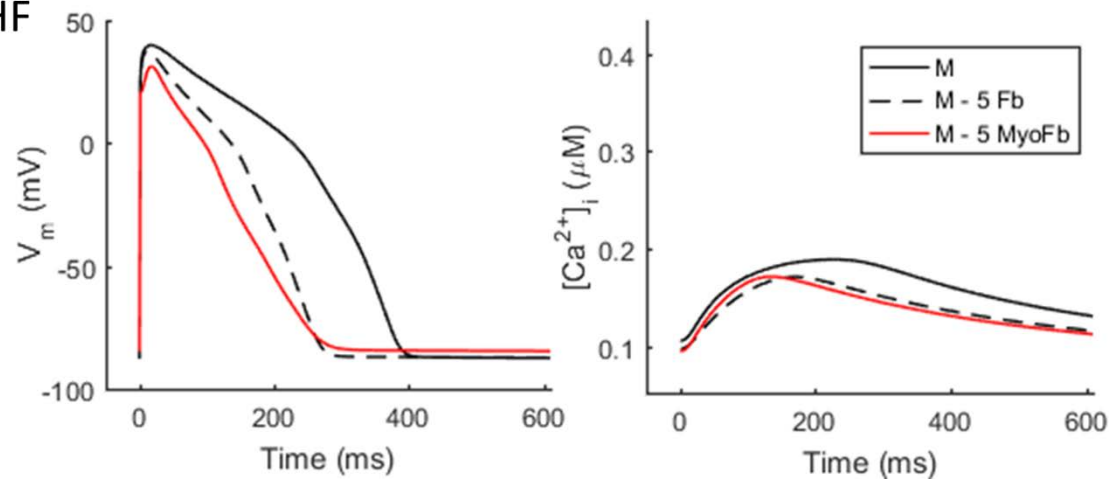


Supplementary Figure 3. Comparison of sensitivities obtained from 4 multivariable regression analyses: normal (N) and heart failure (HF) conditions with or without coupled fibroblasts (Fb). Modulators of A) action potential duration to 90% of repolarization (APD₉₀), B) Ca²⁺ transient (CaT) duration to 80% of recovery (CaTD₈₀), C) CaT rise time (t₁₀₋₉₀) and, D) Systolic peak of CaT. Low parameter variability ($\sigma=0.1$). Regression coefficients (B) are scaled to the standard deviation (σ) of log-normal distributed biomarkers in uncoupled myocytes (M).

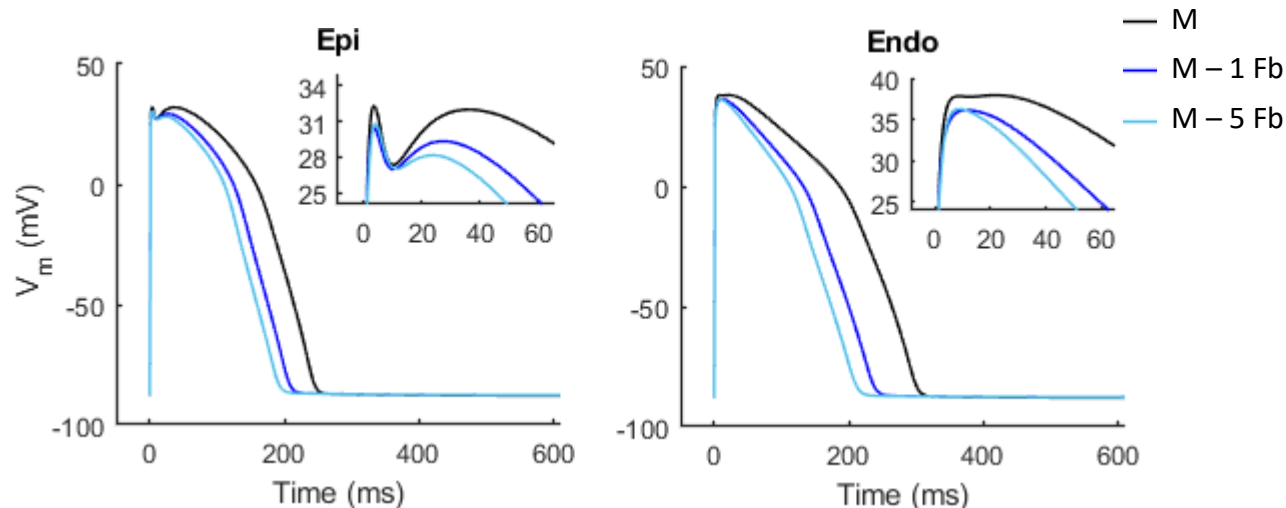
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Supplementary Figure 4. Comparison of the effects of coupling fibroblasts (Fb) and myofibroblasts (MyoFb) on action potential and Ca^{2+} transient of a myocyte (M) in normal (N) and heart failure (HF) conditions. For myofibroblast simulations, MacCannell et al. (2007) active model was modified, increasing C_m to 50 pF and depolarizing the resting membrane potential of the fibroblast to -24.5 mV.



Supplementary Figure 5. Comparison of the effects of coupling fibroblasts (Fb) to epicardial and endocardial cells (M) on action potential waveform. Insets show phase 1 with higher resolution. The number of coupled fibroblasts is 0 (M), 1 and 5.

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