

Interactive comment on “Modifications to Kozeny–Carman model to enhance petrophysical relationships” by Amir M. S. Lala

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This is a review of the paper “Modifications to Kozeny–Carman model to enhance petrophysical relationships” by Amir M. S. Lala. It presents an interesting modification of the famous Kozeny–Carman equation is given to estimate permeability from porosity, tortuosity and grain or pore size distribution: comments and suggestions to improve this paper.

General Comments:

1. One major criticism is that the paper needs to include recent studies in which there are many important and relevant papers that have investigated the proposed alternative forms. For this, the author needs to bring out clearly in his work. For instance, Nooruddin and Hossain, 2011 did modify the KC model making it a function of porosity and other parameters. The author needs to explain his new idea very clearly and distinguish it from previous work.

Specific Comments:

- Eqs 2, 3, 4: citations are needed here.
- In Eq.2 : change q to Q
- Line 72: use the mathematical symbol used in Eq.2 to clearly indicate tortuosity – it looks as L^{-1} , while you mean (ℓ/L)
- Line 91 – 93: This depends on how you define porosity in the KC model. It is most likely nothing but the effective porosity which - by definition - is only connected pores only (see for instance Nooruddin and Hossain, 2011)