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In the present paper we employ the quark-meson coupling model (QMC) to investigate the onset of the pasta phase in nuclear matter under conditions such as those expected in neutron star crusts. Pasta is obtained with fixed proton fractions and for beta equilibrated matter. We probe our results into restrictions imposed on the the values of the density and pressure at the inner edge of the crust, recently achieved by observation, as well as comparing them to the pasta obtained from Walecka-type models.

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