

Nanoscopic biosensors in microfluidics

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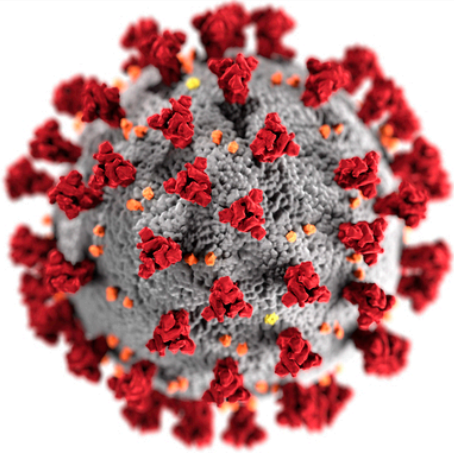
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New approaches for an early detection and therapy



Challenge: low concentration of *e.g.* cancer cells circulating in the human blood; fast spreading diseases; time consuming clinical viral cell culture or antibody staining; global spreading of the microbes drug resistance

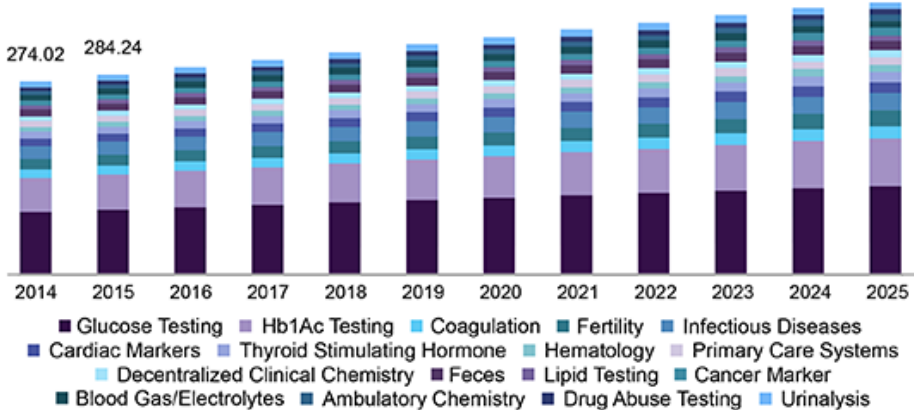
State of the art solutions available at the market



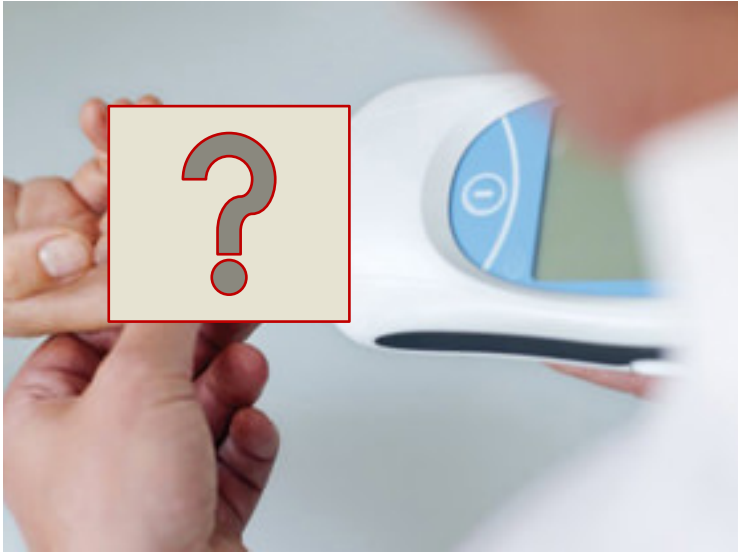
- Optical detection concepts are widely used
- Devices are bulky and relatively expensive
- New detection technologies are needed: **miniaturized and cost efficient**

Towards novel format of the molecular testing

U.K. point of care diagnostics/testing market size, by product, 2014 - 2025 (\$ Million)



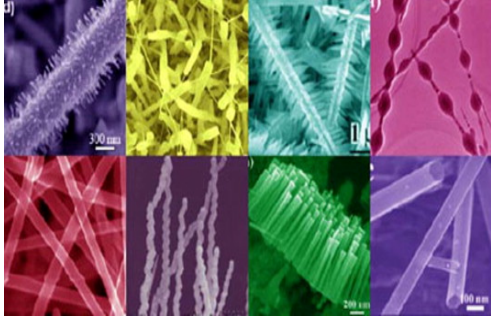
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Roche Diagnostics

New technologies for future diagnostics

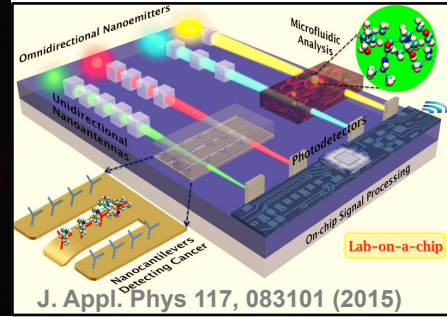
Nano and organic materials



Bio-integrated electronics

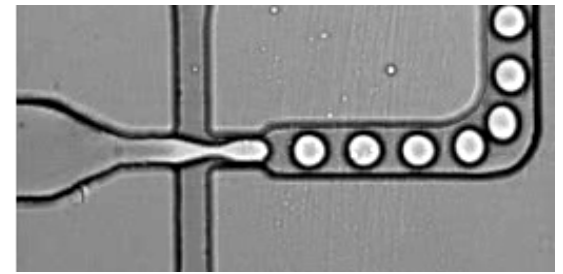
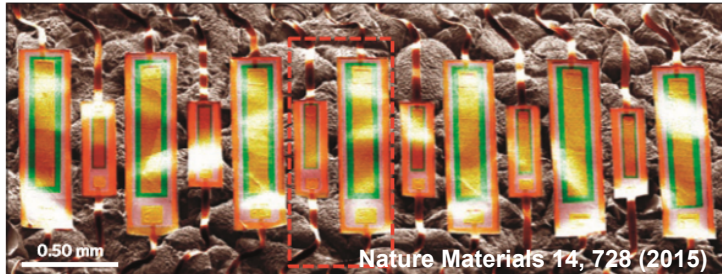
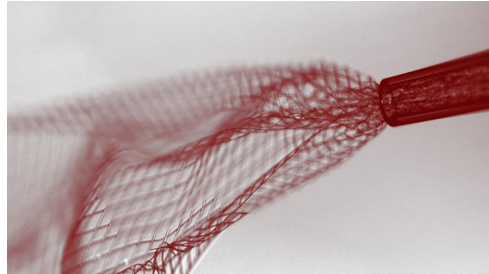
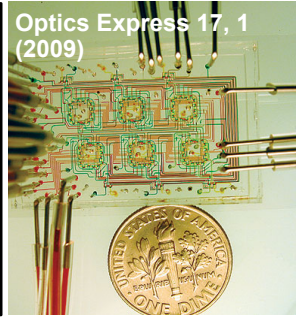


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Microfluidics



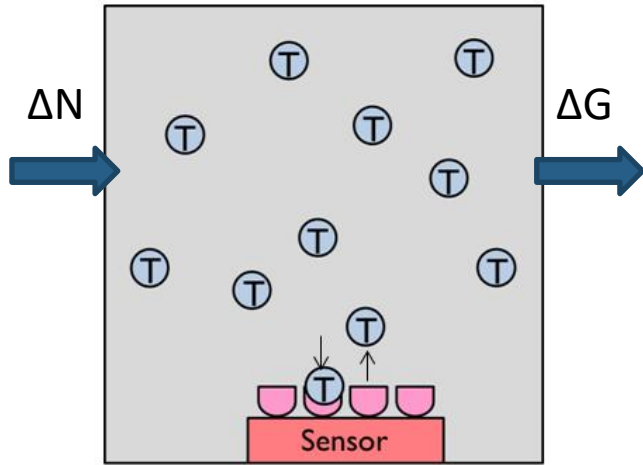
→ High sensitivity

→ Quick analysis

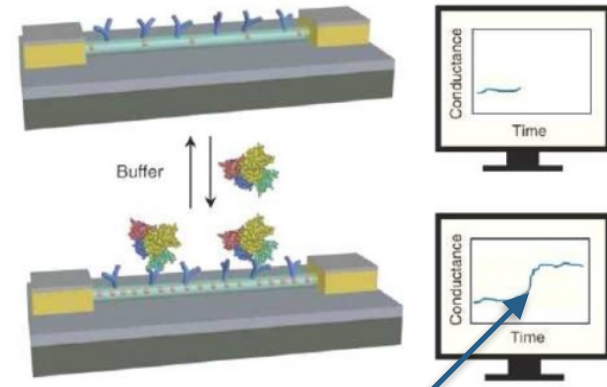
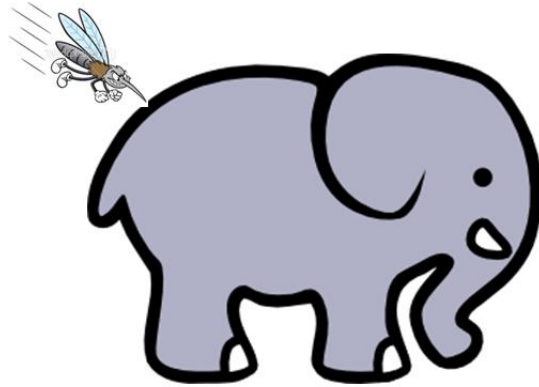
→ Portability

→ Cost efficiency

Why nanosensor?



Sensitivity issue
 $\Delta G / \Delta N = ?$

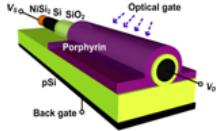


Limit of detection

Need for miniaturized sensors

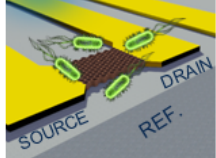
Point of care from the nanoscale

Bioelectronics

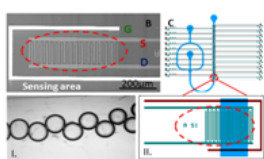


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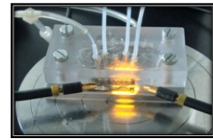
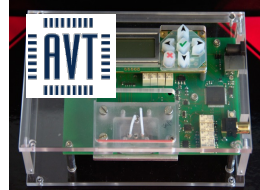
Bacteria Metabolism



Droplets & FET sensor



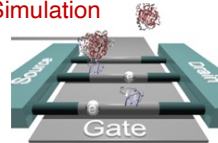
Electronics



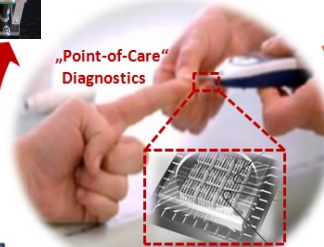
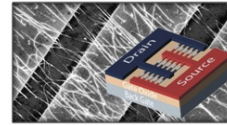
Microfluidics



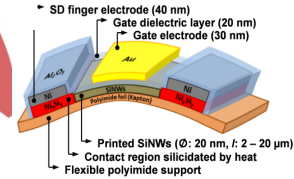
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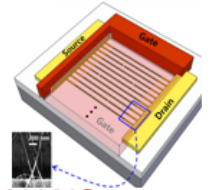
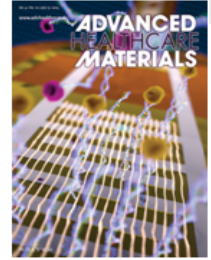
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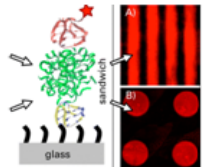
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Bioprocessing



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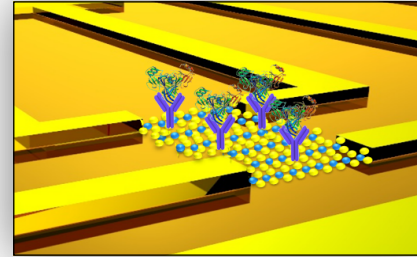
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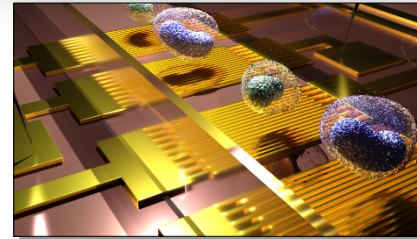
Outline

Development of new nanodevices and tools for lab on chip systems

✓ SiNW FET sensors and systems



✓ Gold nanowires based impedance sensors systems for blood analysis



Si-NW FET sensors and systems for molecular detection

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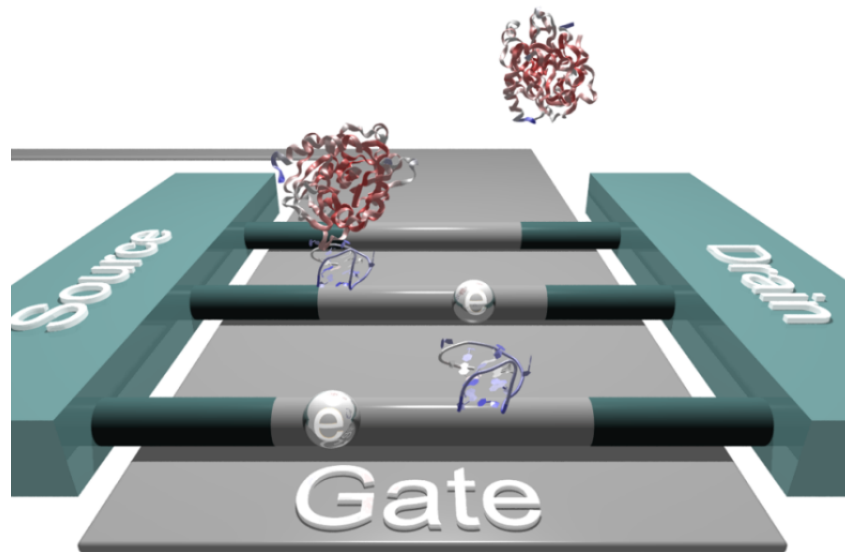
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Nanowire devices – label free devices

Potentiometric device: transforms the charge into the current

FET that is used to track analogue signal change



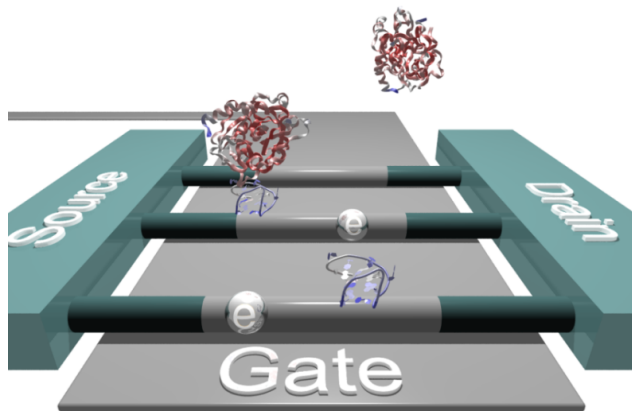
✓ Higher surface to volume ratio

✓ Higher current modulation for the same active sensor area

How does it operate?

Concept of the sensor device:

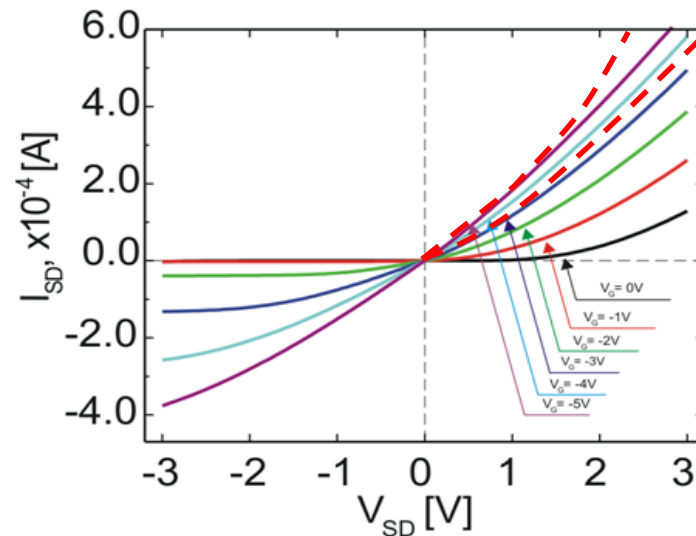
- (1) Silicon nanowires assembled as **field effect transistors (FETs)**
- (2) Surface of the NWs play crucial role in the **sensing the microenvironment**
- (3) Changes of the surface charges: **gate effect**



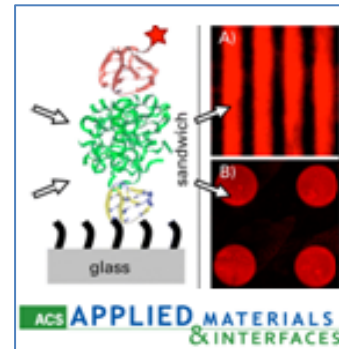
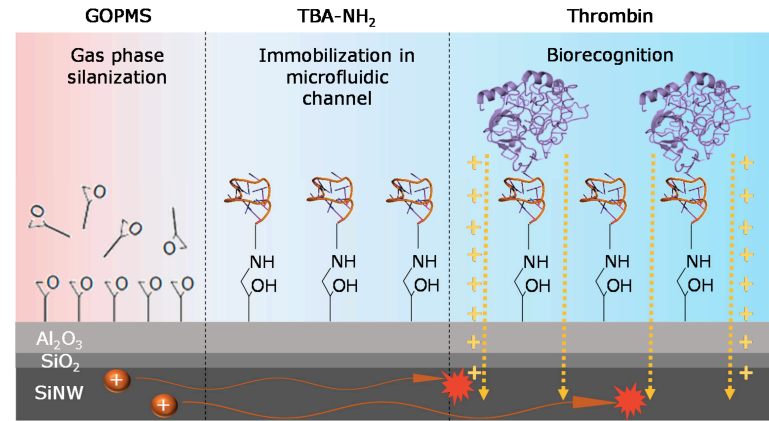
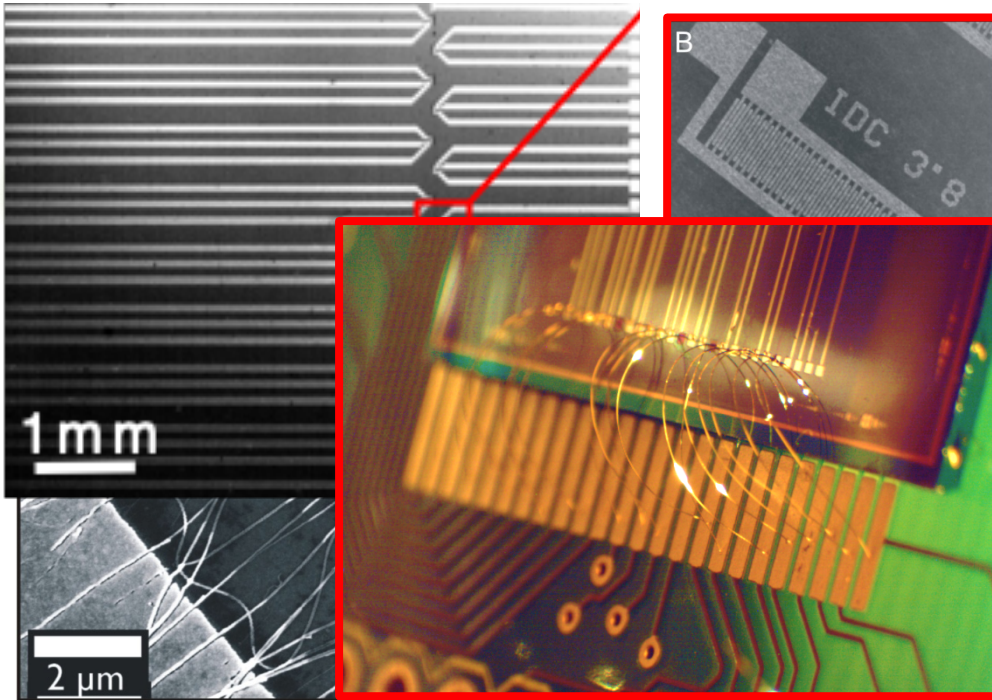
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Si NW devices for sensor platform



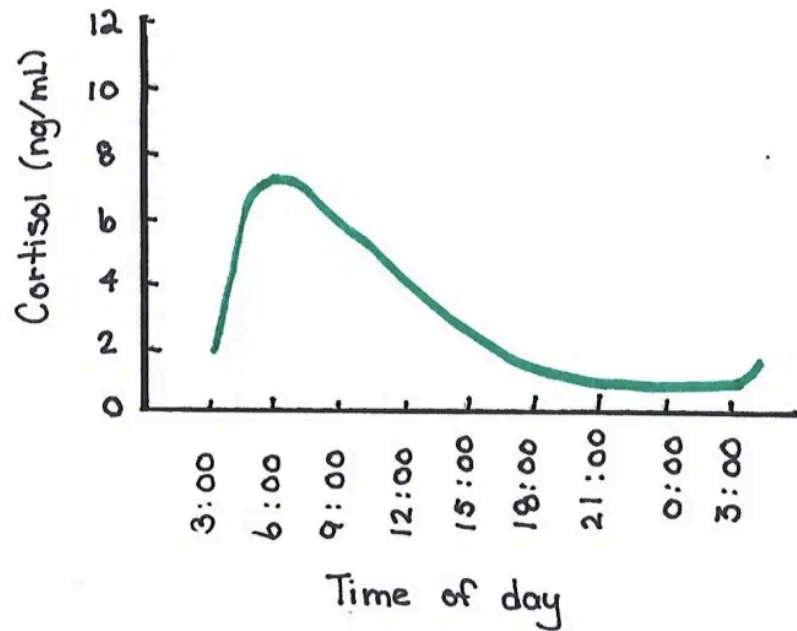
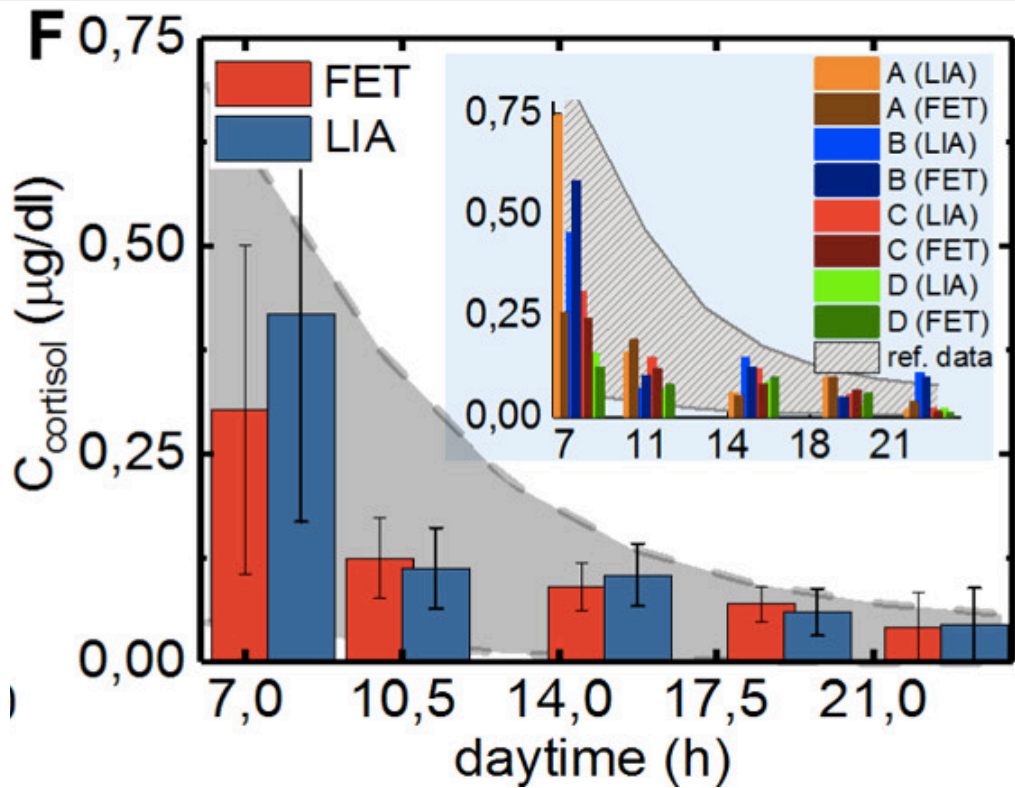
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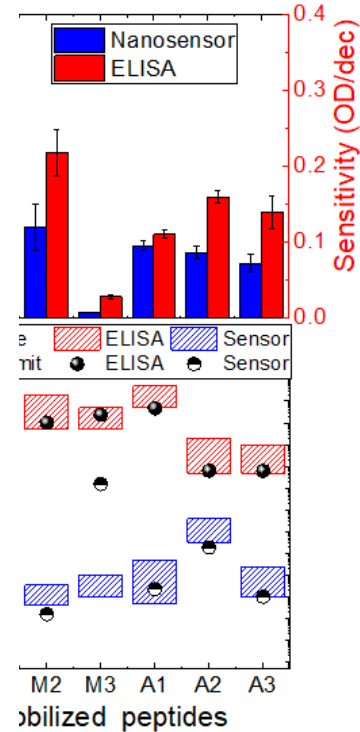
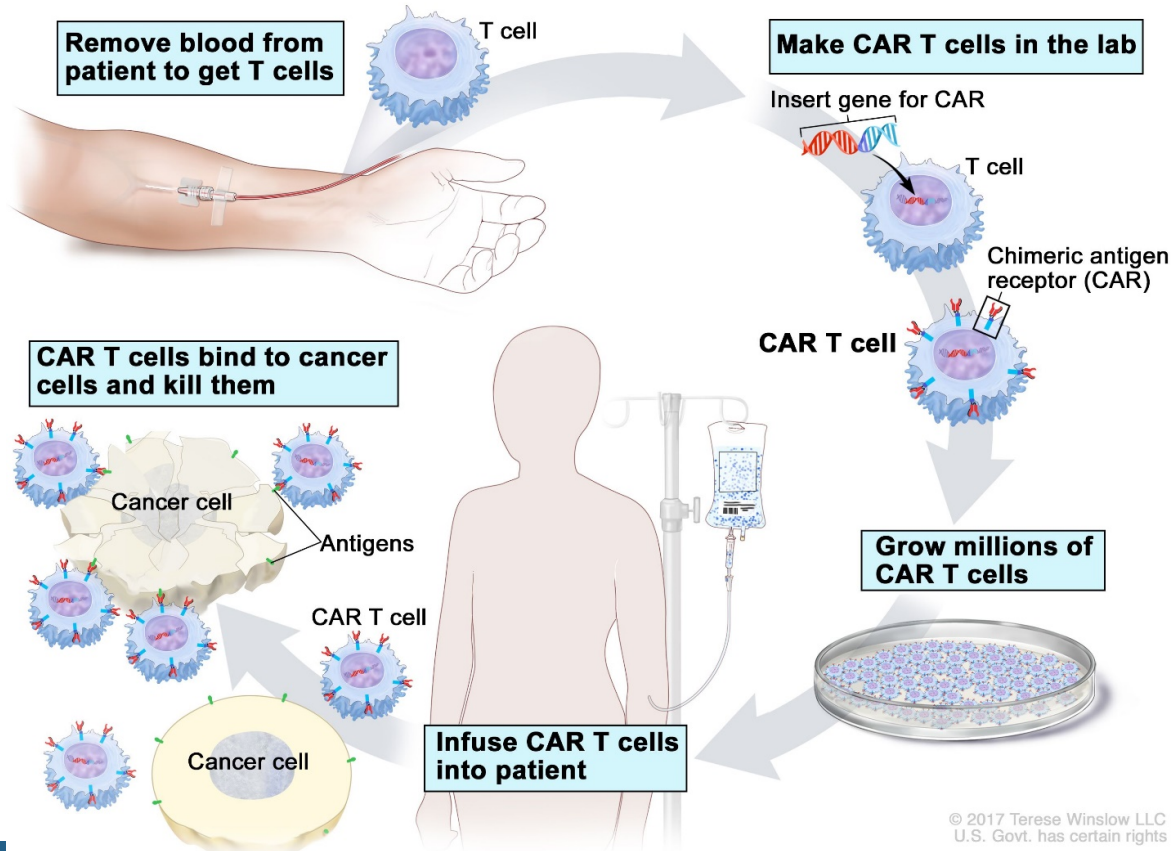
Clinical applications

Real time monitoring of stress biomarkers: human testing



Immunotherapy monitoring

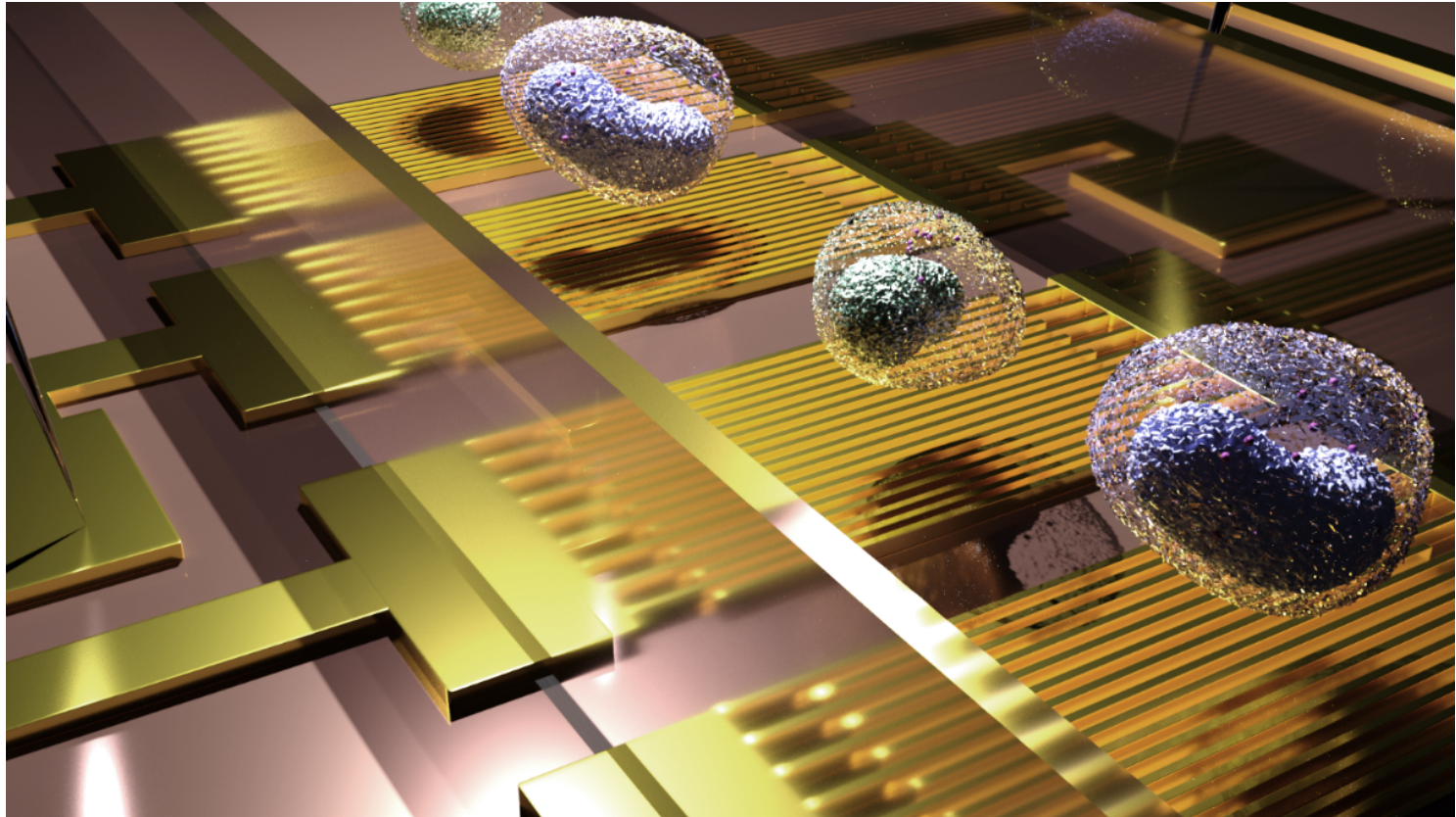
CAR T-cell Therapy



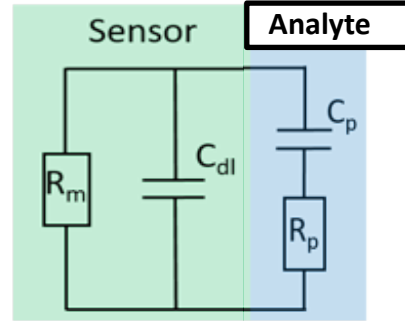
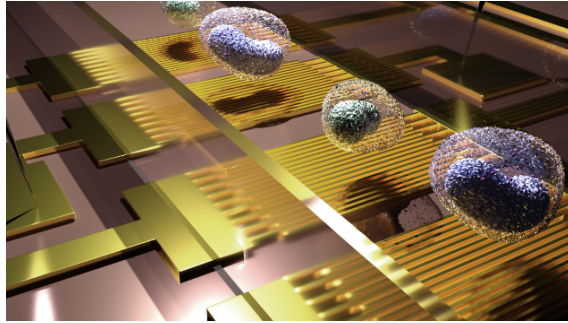
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Metal nanowire based impedance sensors



Metal nanowires impedance based system



$$\hat{z}(j\omega) = R + \frac{1}{j\omega C} + j\omega L$$

Dynamic mode!

Impedance spectroscopy

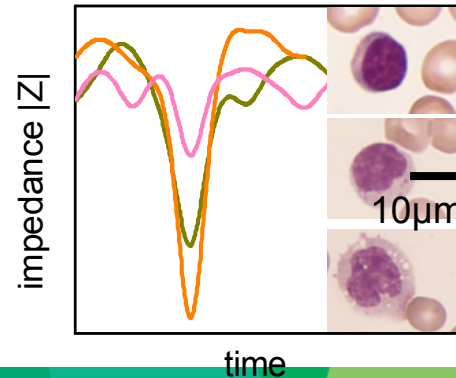
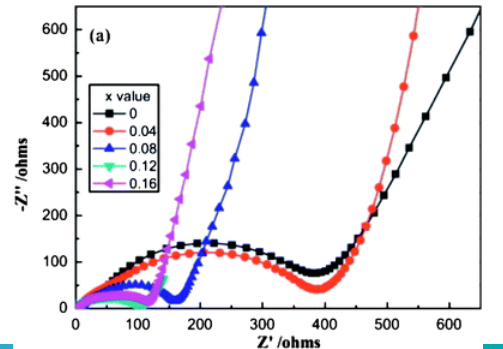
Scan of the frequencies to detect analyte

Impedance cytometry

Constant frequency in time domain



Static mode!



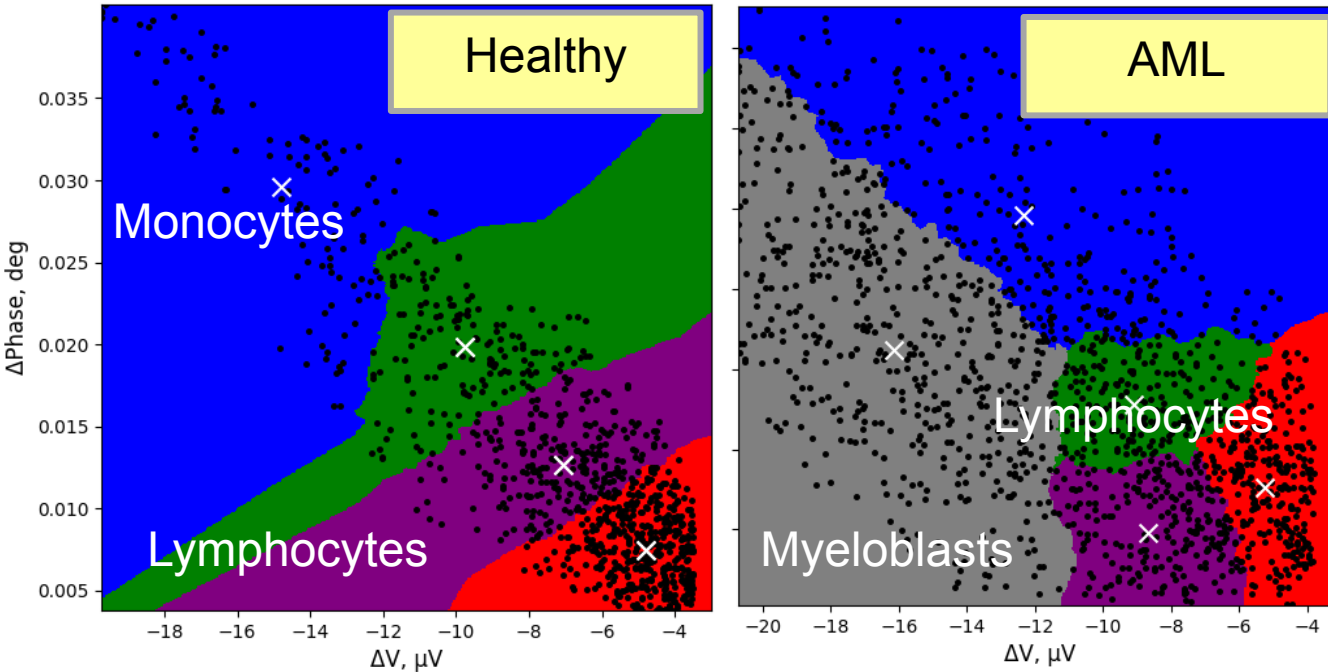
Monocytes

T-cells

NK-cells

Nanocytometer: Metal nanowires impedance based system

+ machine learning

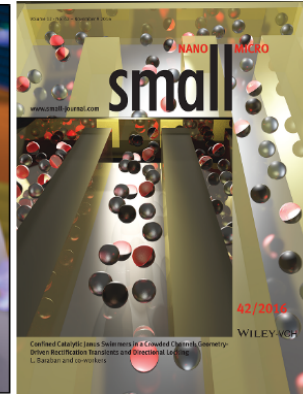
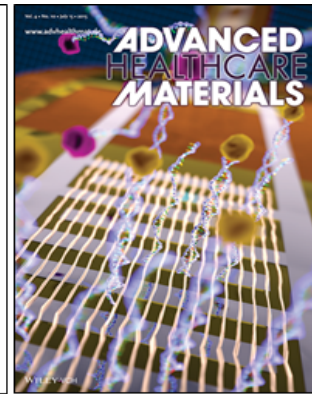
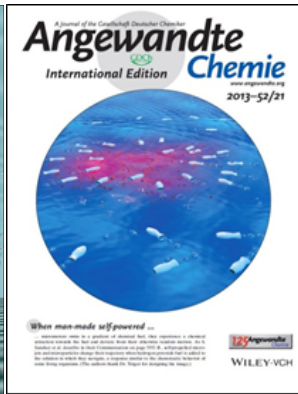
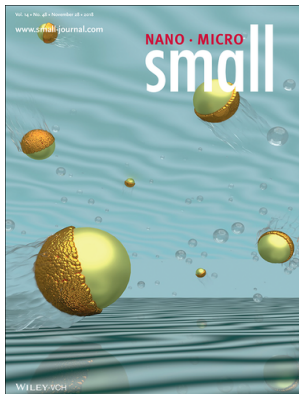


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Summary and Outlook

- Electronic nanobiosensors
- Microfluidic analysis

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- Towards complex nanosystems for analysis of the biological systems



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