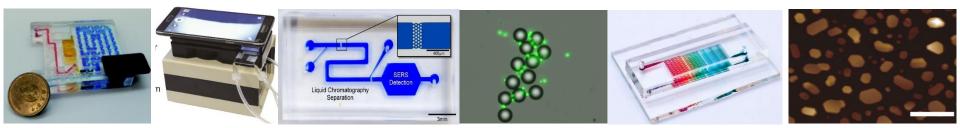


### 生物樣本前處理技術 Bio-sample Process Techniques

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2018/10/26 Introduction to Lab on a Chip



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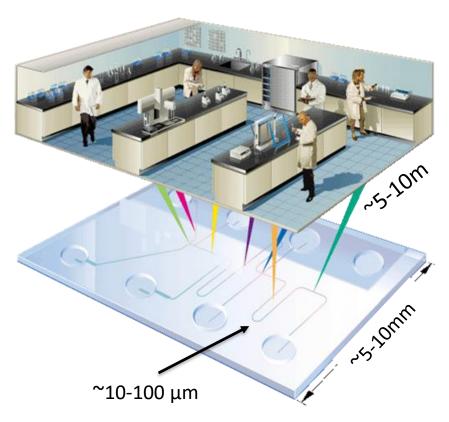


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### Lab-on-Chip

- Miniaturization and integration of laboratory sample preparation processes
- Consists of microfluidic channel, microsensors and microacutators
- Reduce cost and waste of biodiagnostics
- Personalized medicine and healthcare



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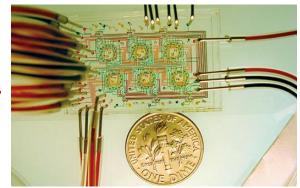


# Microfluidics

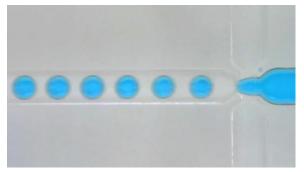
- The science and technology of manipulating and controlling fluids, between 10<sup>-6</sup> to 10<sup>-12</sup> L
- Networks of channels with dimensions from ~10-100 µm
- The research field origins in 1990s and grow dramatically due to development of analytical chemistry and microelectronic fabrication technologies.

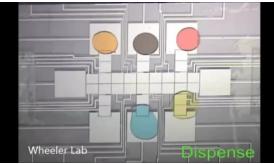
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(Science, 309, 137-140, 2005)





# **Microfluidics**

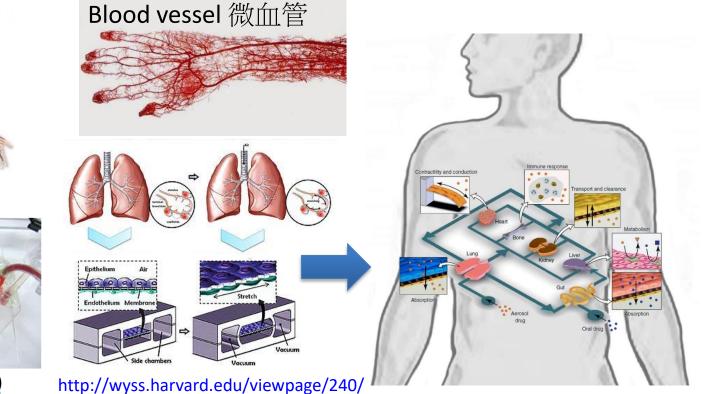
- Microfluidics in the environment?
- Microfluidics in the human body?

Nature 471, 661-66

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 Organs on Chip: design a whole body biomimetic device





#### Innovation: A Blood Test on a Chip

Claros Diagnostics has created the mChip, which can produce accurate test results from a single drop of blood in 10 minutes

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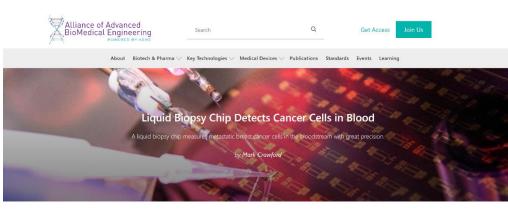


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#### CREDIT: Nigel Cox A lab on a chip

Many laboratory blood tests take several days to process. A group of Harvard University researchers has developed a device, the mChip, that produces accurate test results from a single drop of human blood in about 10 minutes. After blood is injected into the credit-cardsize cartridge, it interacts with antibodies housed in hairline channels. The cartridge is then placed in a portable device that analyzes the results and displays them on a digital screen. One mChip can test for up to 10 disease biomarkers, including those for hepatitis C and HIV. Claros Diagnostics, co-founded by Vincent Linder and Samuel Sia, two of the mChip's inventors, has received approval to market a version of the device for prostate cancer corresping in Europe, Next year, Clarge, based in Wahure, Massaphysette, plans to apply

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Quick and accurate measurement of circulating tumor cells (CTCs) in the bloodstream is a popular way to learn if tumors are metastasizing in the body. Current CTC isolation techniques are mostly based on

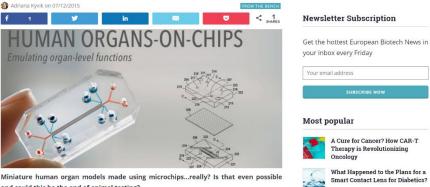
immunomagnetic and microfluidic enrichment methods, both of which present accuracy issues with low yields of CTCs.



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To improve this situation, Balaji Panchapakesan, an associate professor of mechanical engineering and director of the Small Systems Laboratory at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI), has developed a liquid biopsy chip

#### **Organs-on-chips: Will They Lead to the End of Animal Testing?**



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Miniature human organ models made using microchips...really? Is that even possible and could this be the end of animal testing?

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These organs-on-chips are considered "organs" because they contain perfused chambers of living cells. These are arranged so that they simulate living tissues and function at the organ level in their physiology. So far, organs which have been replicated to the 3D microchip level include the heart, liver, lungs, gut and also bone marrow, all made into microfluidic cell culture-devices. Bionic!

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#### Streamlining Next-Generation Sequencing Experiments with NeoPrep Digital Microfluidics



This week, Illumina launched the NeoPrep System - the first Illumina digital microfluidics platform for automated preparation of sequencing libraries. Digital microfluidics uses electrical voltage to manipulate nanoliter volume droplets through standard library prep chemistry, to ultimately transform sheared DNA or total RNA into ready-to-sequence libraries. This revolutionary technology enables 16 libraries to be prepared in parallel, with only 30 minutes of initial hands-on time, freeing up vour schedule for other protects or planning vour next

# Bio-sample preparation process using microfluidics

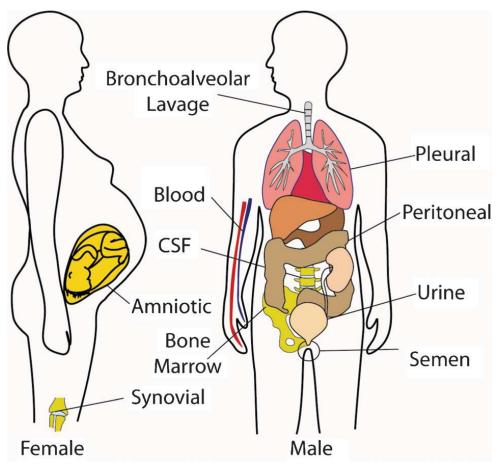
- What is Bio-sample preparation process?
- Biofluid in Human System
- Blood
  - Composition
  - Non-Newtonian fluid
- Blood separation methods
  - Blood cells
  - Blood plasma
- Microfluidics for Whole Blood Processing
- Point-of-care (POC) biochips for sample process





# **Biofluid in Human System**

- Blood (血液)
- Pleural and peritoneal fluid (胸膜和胸腹水)
- Amniotic fluid(羊水)
- Urine(尿液)
- Bone marrow aspiration(骨 髓切片檢查)
- Bronchoalveolar fluid (支氣 管肺泡灌洗液)
- Synovial fluid (關節液)

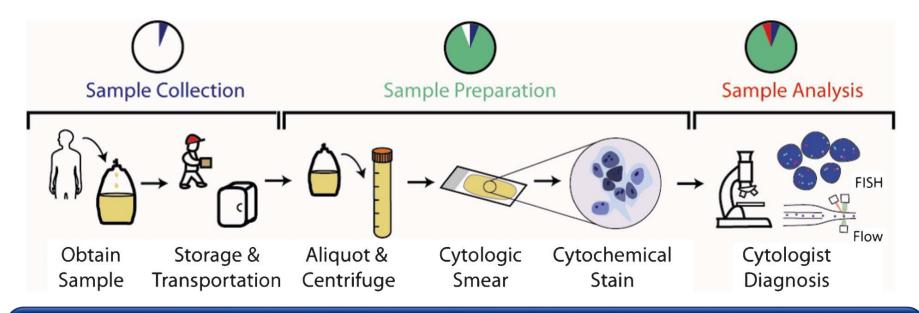






### **Current Bio-Sample Process**

- Sample process: multiple centrifugation, cell fixing, washing and cytochemical staining
- Sample preparation process require most time



We should develop a platform to efficiently perform sample preparation!!!



### Whole Blood

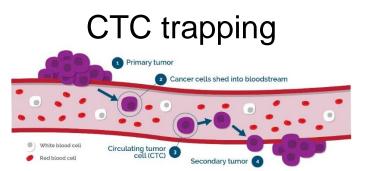
- Whole blood: 54.3% plasma, 45% red blood cells, 0.7% white blood cells
- Blood cell types
  - WBC: 4-10 x 10<sup>6</sup> cells/mL,12 ~ 20um
  - RBC: 4-6 x 10<sup>9</sup> cells/mL, 6 ~ 8um
  - Platelet: 4-10 x 10<sup>6</sup> cells/mL, 2 ~ 3um
- 4.7-5L in a health adult (7% of weight)

#### One of the most important bio-sample

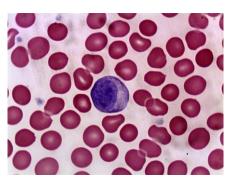
 Can be used for screening pathogenic bacteria infection, metabolic diseases or diagnosis of cancer

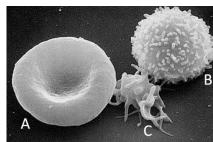
#### Bacteria trapping





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#### **Diabetes diagnosis**



# **Blood Plasma Composition**

- Blood Plasma
  - Water (~91%)
  - Protein(~7%)
  - Bacteria, Fungi and Micro-organisms(traces)
  - Metabolites(traces)
    - glucose, total cholesterol(總膽固醇), melanin(黑色素)
    - urea(尿素), Hormones(賀爾蒙激素)
  - Circulating Nucleic Acids(traces)
    - Health patients: DNA (~1.8-35ng/mL), RNA(~2.5ng/mL)
    - Depending on conditions
      - Tumor DNA (cancer), Viral DNA(infection), Fetal DNA(pregnacy), Donor DNA(transplantation)



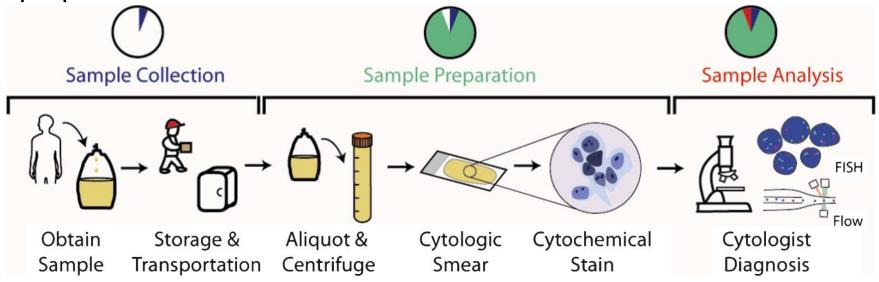
### **Disease Diagnosis from Blood Cells**

- Blood Cells
  - Complete blood count (CBC)
    - Leukemia: abnormal increase of immature white blood cells
    - HIV: count CD4+ T-cells
    - Malaria: the level of parasitemia (volume of blood occupied by malaria parasite)
  - Rare cell counting
    - Circulating tumor cells (CTC): cancer relapse or mutation states
    - Fetal cells: determine the health of developing fetus
  - Long term cell culture
    - Monitor immune cell conditions
    - Search for bacteria, virus



### **Current Bio-Sample Process Problem**

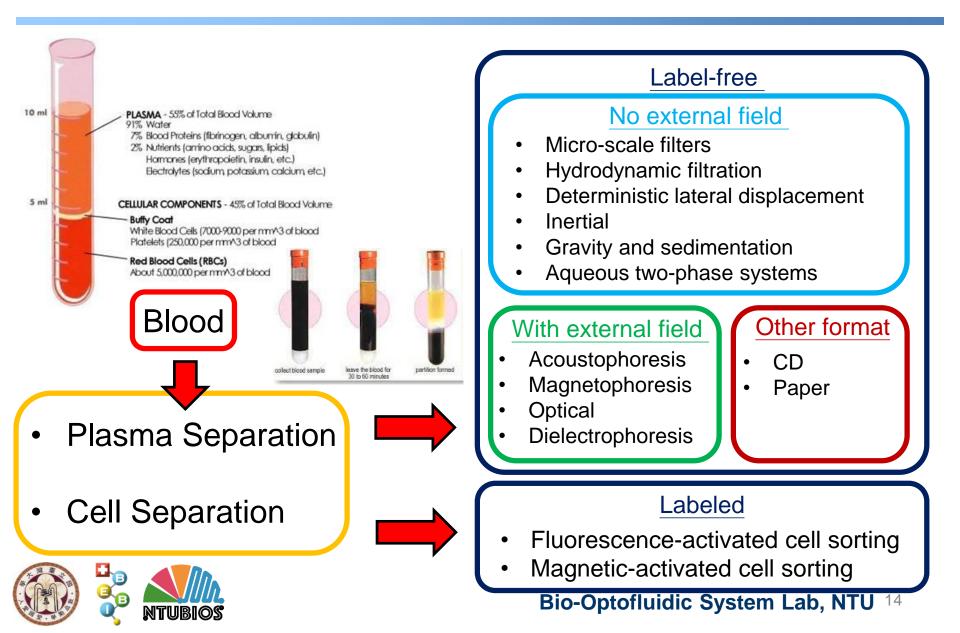
- Sample preparation: centrifugation, cell fixing, washing and cytochemical staining
- The quality of biomarker detection will be affected by sample preparation



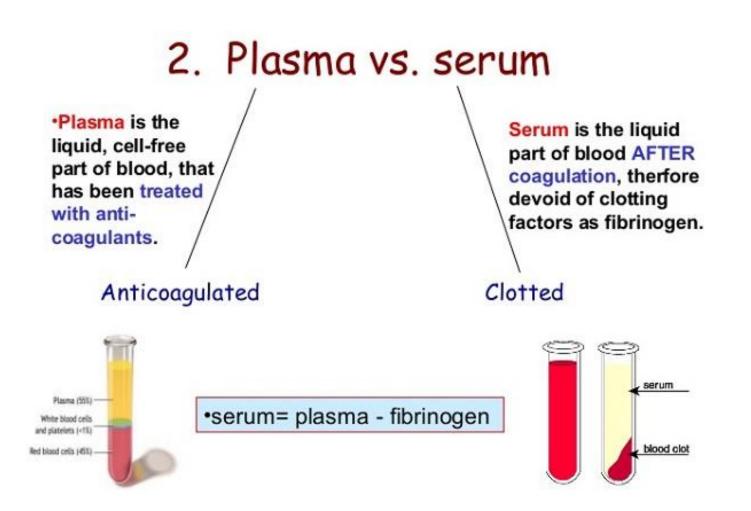
A platform to efficiently perform sample preparation and in-situ analyte detection!!!



### **Blood Separation Methods**



### **Difference between Plasma and Serum**



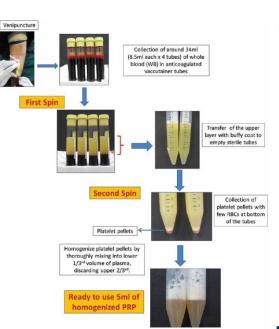


http://www.microbiologynotes.com/differences-between-serum-and-plasma/

# **Blood Separation Method**

Centrifuge





#### Platelet-Rich Plasma (PRP) treatment

#### PRP刺激細胞修復 Kobe 伍茲都說讚

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【王翊亘/綜合報導】PRP治療全名為 platelet-rich-plasma,高濃度血小板血漿治 療,許多國外運動名將都曾使用過此方式治 療患處,包括高爾夫前球王老虎伍茲(Tiger Woods)、男網球星納達爾(Rafael Nadal)以 及今年剛從NBA退休的Kobe(Kobe Bryant)。

Kobe曾接受PRP治療膝 傷。資料照片

PRP治療是透過使用患者自身的血液,用離心機把血小板分離出來,再把血小板注射到受傷部位,刺激細胞修復,手術過程1小時

完成。技術原理為將血漿濃縮,讓血液中的血小板破裂,釋出生長 因子,促進軟組織修復和再生。

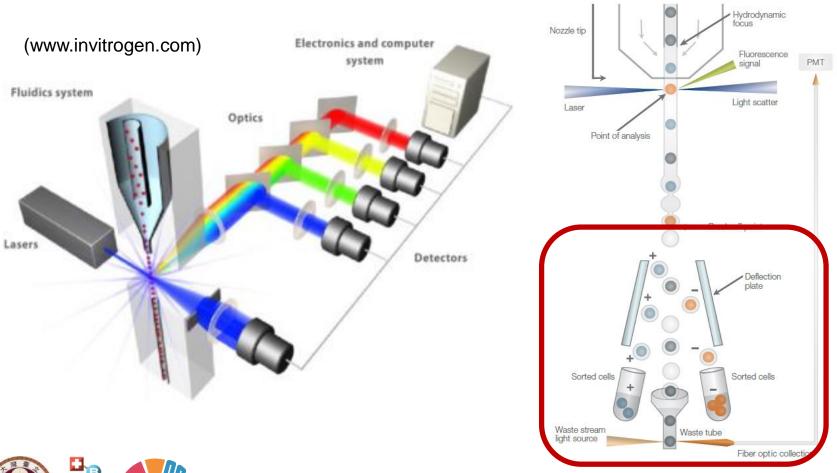
這種治療方式一開始是使用在醫學美容,後來改應用在關節、韌帶的治療修復,在歐美已存在許久,Kobe在2011年時,就曾到德國進行PRP治療。在台灣若進行PRP治療,價格約在1萬至2萬元間,配合手術使用效果最佳,林智勝2013年進行左膝手術時,也曾在縫合的韌帶上施打PRP,幫助加速癒合。





### **Labeled Cell Separation Methods**

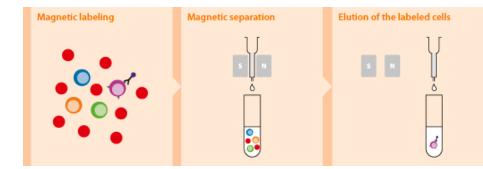
Fluorescence-activated cell sorting(FACS)





### **Labeled Cell Separation Methods**

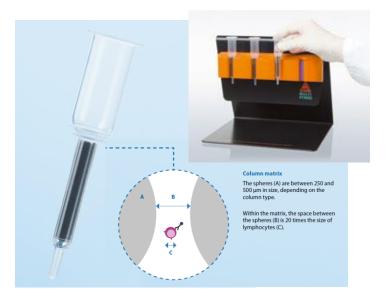
- Magnetic-activated cell sorting(MACS)
  - Magnetic bead labeling
  - Magnetic column
  - Cell analyzer







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### **Challenges of Whole Blood Process**

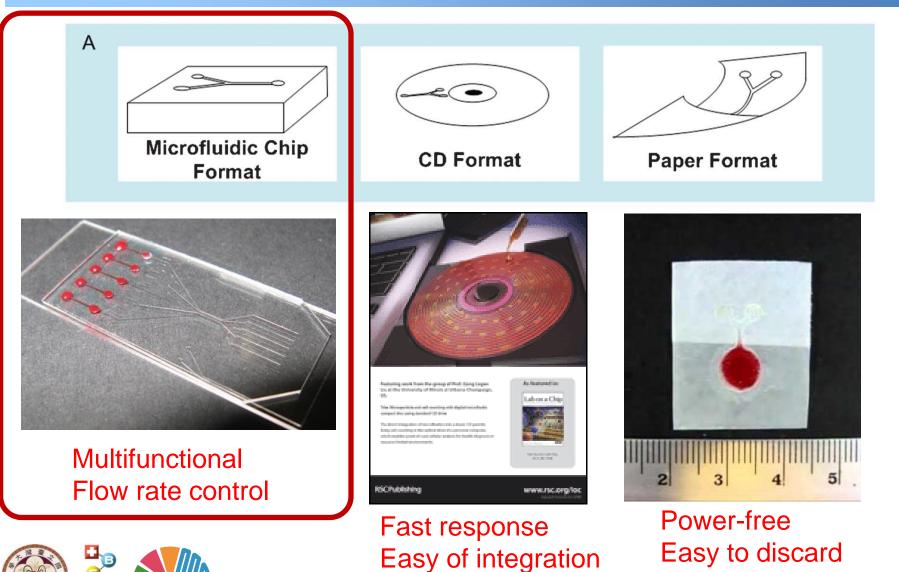
- High cellularity of samples
- Cell components aggregation
  - EDTA: prevent platelet activation
  - Dilution factors
  - Red blood cell lysis: remove 99% of cellular contents
- Large blood volume process
- Long sample culture time

Can we do a simpler whole blood process in a resource limited environment?



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### **Three formats for Whole Blood Process**



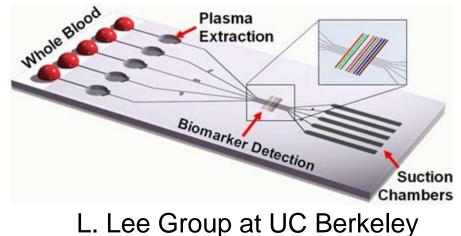


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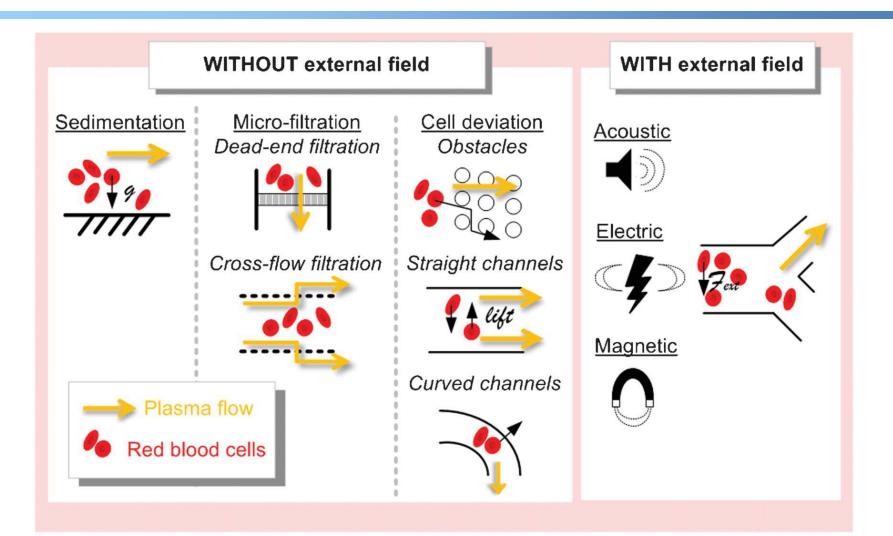
### **Microfluidics for Whole Blood Process**

- Why microfluidics for whole blood process?
  - Cost-effective, portable, disposable
  - Low sample volume
  - Fast response
  - Multi-functional
- Four important parameters:
  - Dilution ratio
  - Throughput
  - Purity
  - Yield





### **Label-free Blood Separation Methods**



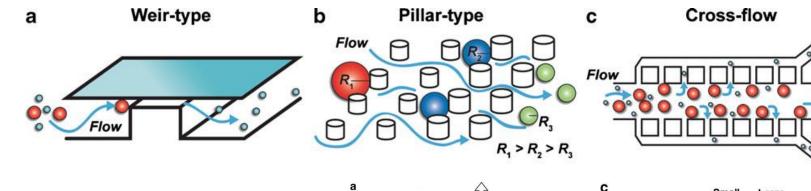


Do we want blood plasma or blood cells?

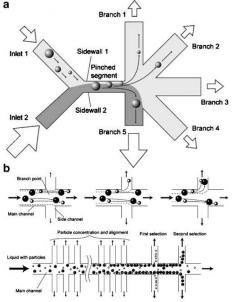
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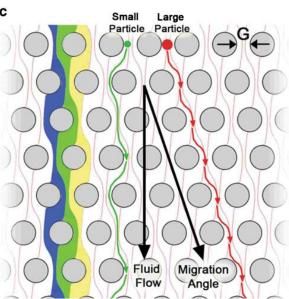
### **Blood Cell Separation Methods**

Micro-scale filters (Size, deformability)



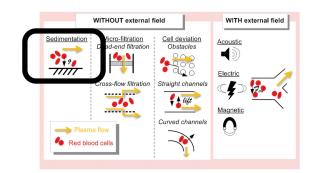
- Hydrodynamic filtration (size, shape)
- Deterministic lateral displacement (size)





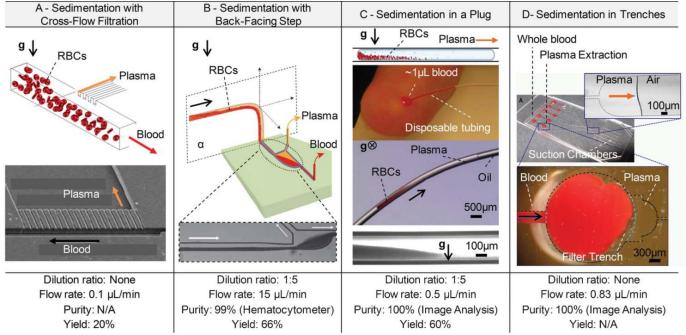


# **Sedimentation Method**



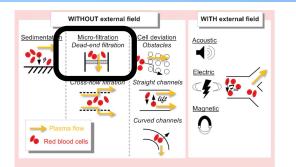
- Based on gravity
- Blood cell separation
  - May not be suitable
- Blood plasma separation







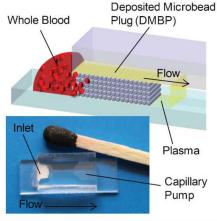
### **Micro-Filtration Method**



Blood plasma separation

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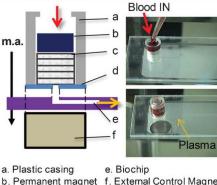
A - Dead-end Filtration with Packed Beads and Capillary Actuation



**Dilution: None** Flow rate: 0.02 µL/min Purity: ~100% (Microscopy) Yield: ~2%



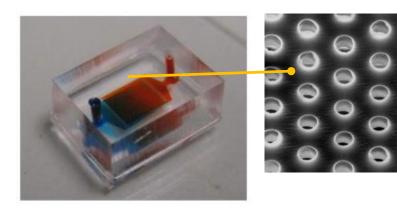
B - Dead-end Filtration with Membrane Filters and Magnetic Actuation



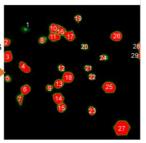
b. Permanent magnet f. External Control Magnet c. Filter membrane m.a.: Magnetic Actuation d. Double-sided tape

> **Dilution: None** Flow rate: 50 µL/min Purity: ~100% (Hemacytometer) Yield: 14%

- Based on cell size
- White blood cell separation



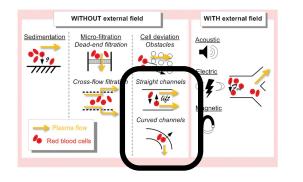
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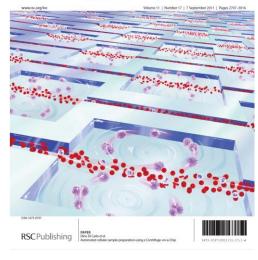
Enumeration

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# **Cell Deviation Method**

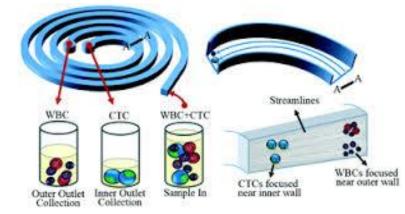


### Lab on a Chip





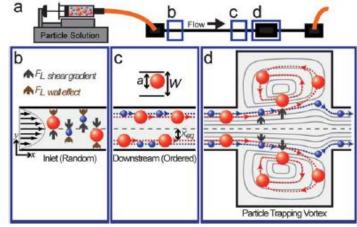
#### **Blood Cell Separation**



The balance of shear gradient and wall effect



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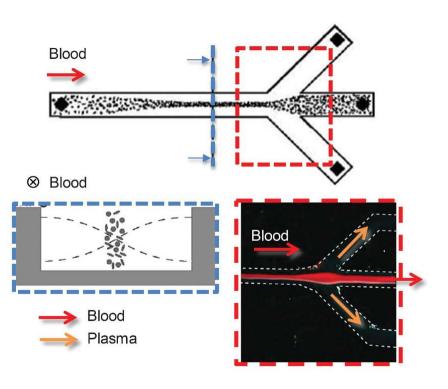
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### **Acoustic Field Separation**

B Blood Plasma Separation Solutions In Microfluidic Chip Format			
WITHOUT external field			WITH external field
Sedimentation	Micro-filtration Dead-end filtration		Acoustic
	Cross-flow filtration	Straight channels	Magnetic
	na flow nod cells	Curved channels	0

- Based on cell size, density and compressibility
- Can be used as acoustic flow cytometry: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b2ilHE</u> <u>nugE0</u>

Blood plasma separation

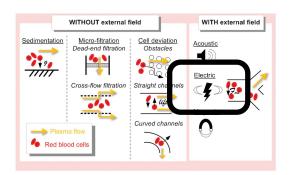


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### **Electrical Field Separation**

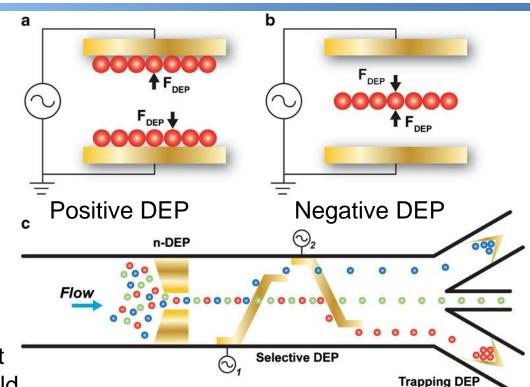
Blood Cells Separation



- Dielectrophoresis (DEP)
  - The force applied to the dielectric particle when subject to an non-uniform electrical field
  - Particles did not have to be charged
  - The DEP force depends on particle size, shape, freq. of E







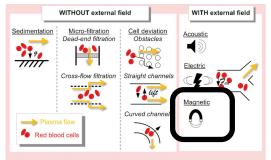
$$\langle F_{\rm DEP} \rangle = 2\pi r^3 \varepsilon_m \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{\varepsilon_p^* - \varepsilon_m^*}{\varepsilon_p^* + 2\varepsilon_m^*} \right\} \nabla \left| \vec{E}_{rms} \right|^2$$

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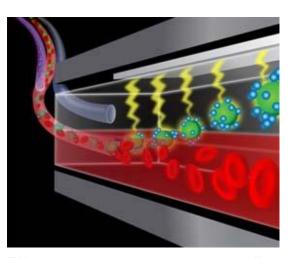
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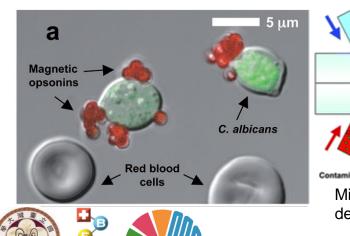
### **Magnetic Field Separation**

#### Blood Cells Separation

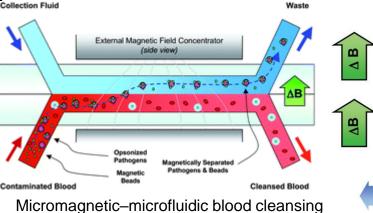


- C.albicans fungi:
  - a leading cause of sepsis-related deaths collection Fluid

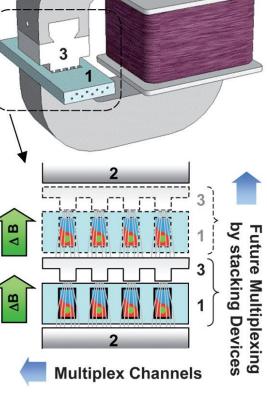




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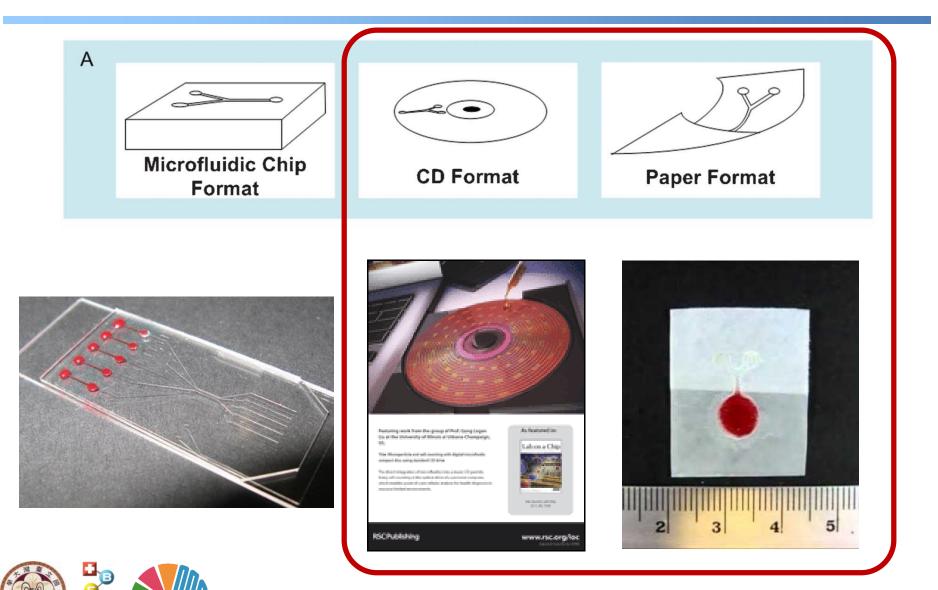
### Challenges of Microfluidics for Whole Blood Process

- Easy-of-use: automating multi-step sample preparation
- Yield: Preparing samples with high cellularity
- Purity: achieving high purity cell populations
- Throughput: concentrating rare cells from large volumes
- Multiplexity: preparing small volume sample for multiple assays



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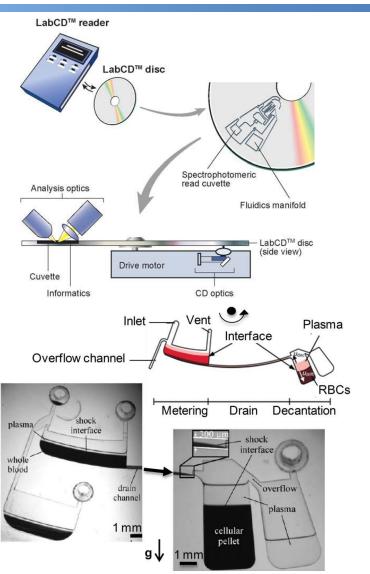
### **Three formats for Whole Blood Process**



### **Blood Plasma Separation by CD**

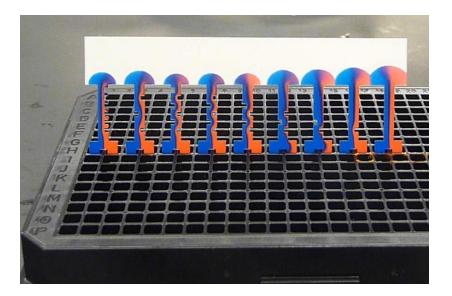
- Use centrifugal force
- Advantages:
  - Cost-effective
  - High throughput
  - Fast response
- Problems:
  - Not easy to adjust flow rate
  - Require valves
  - Tubing is difficult

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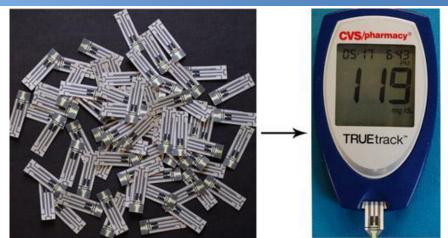
### **Paper-based Microfluidics**

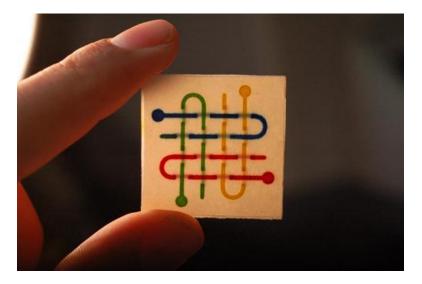
- Low cost
- Easy of fabrication
- Long term storage



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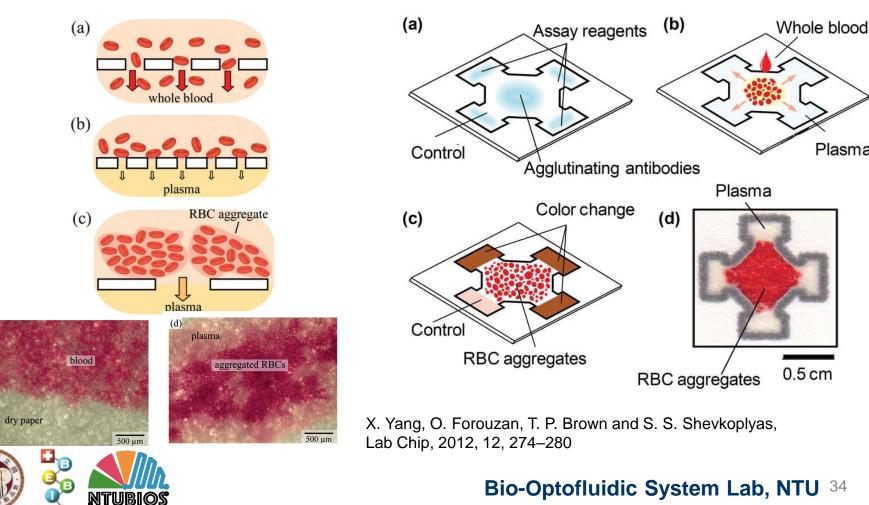




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### **Blood Plasma Separation by Paper**

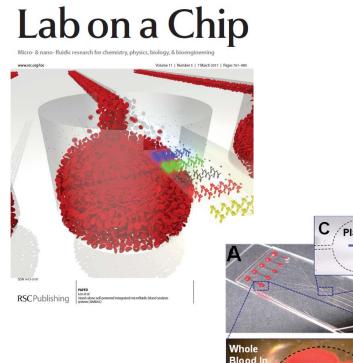
- Use capillary force to draw liquid •
  - RBC aggregation helps plasma separation



Plasma

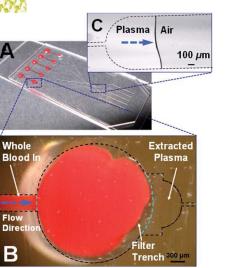
### **Power-free Blood Separation Microfluidics**

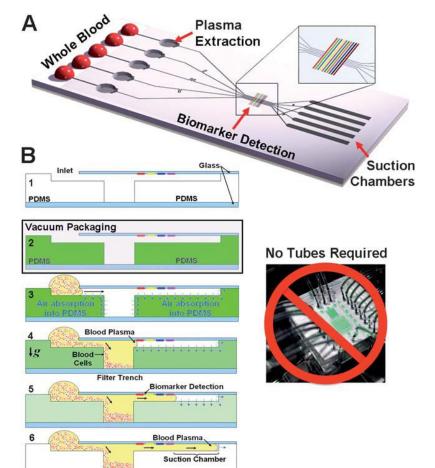
Fluid is driven by vacuumed PDMS



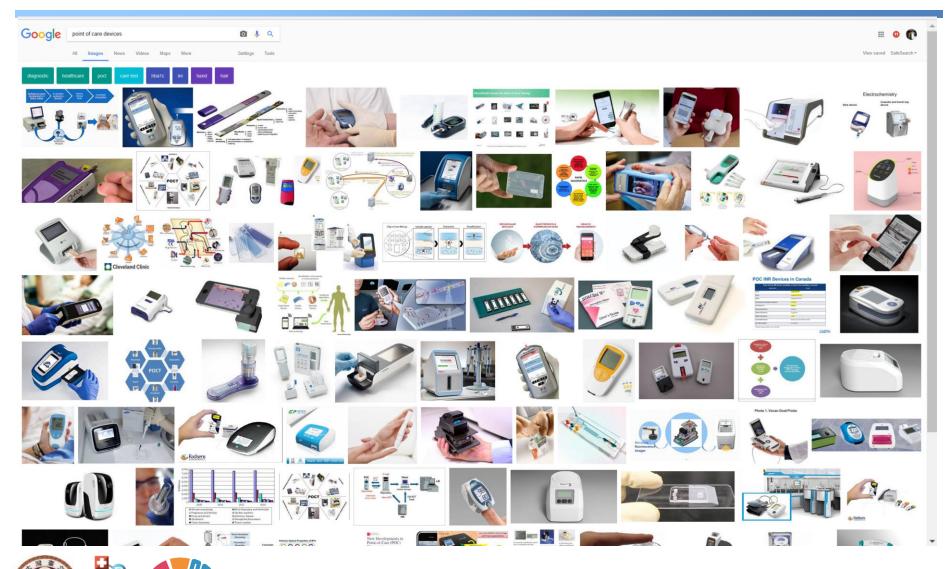
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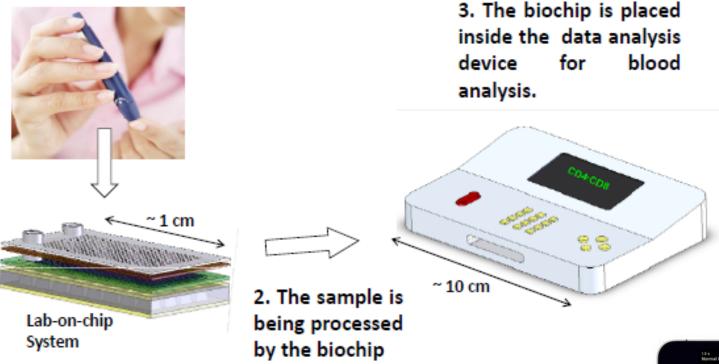


# **Point-of-care (POC) System**



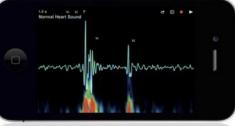
# Point-of-care (POC) System

#### Blood is obtained from the patient's finger



#### Discussion:

Why point-of-care systems? Where and when do we need it? advantages and challenges?



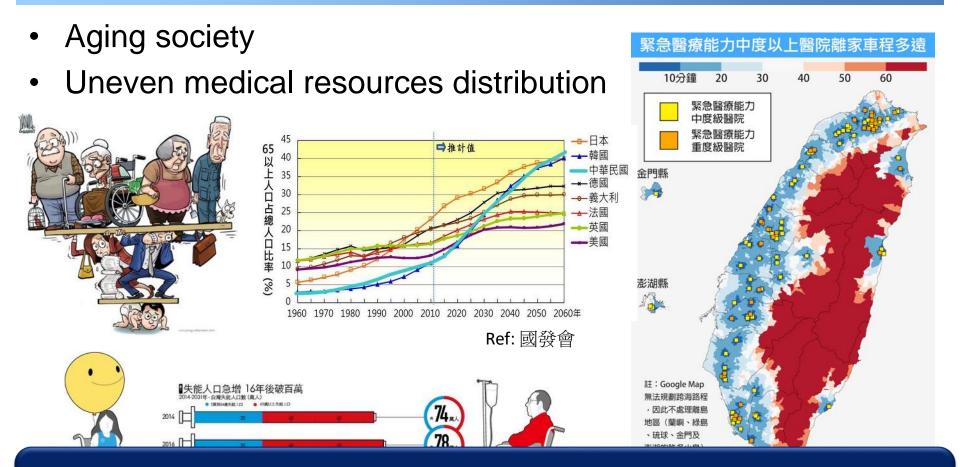


## **Guidelines of POC system**

- World Health Organization (WHO)'s ASSURED challenge
  - Affordable by those at risk of infection
  - Sensitive (few false-negatives)
  - **S**pecific (few false-positives)
  - User-friendly (simple to perform and require minimal training)
  - Rapid treatment at first visit, and Robust, with no need for special storage
  - Equipment-free
  - Delivered to those who need it



# **Current medical problems in Taiwan**

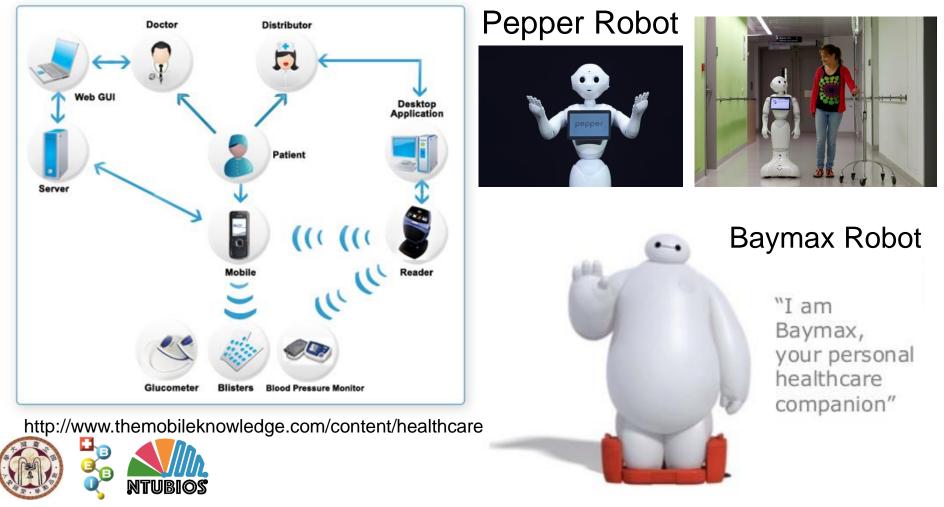


### Personalized healthcare system for point-of-care testing



# A Personalized Healthcare System

- The core of the personalized healthcare system is "patients" not "doctors" or "hospitals"
- Portable medical devices market worth \$20 Billion by 2018

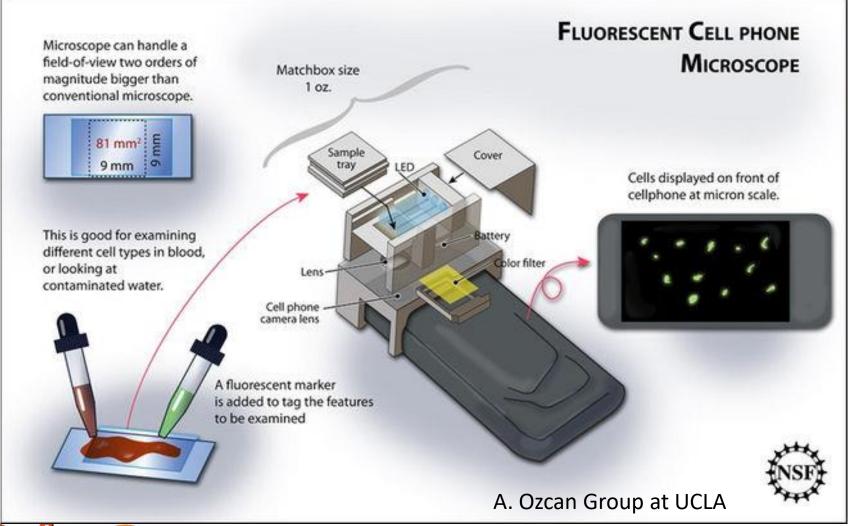


### **Examples of Personalized Healthcare Device**





# **Cell-phone based Microscope**





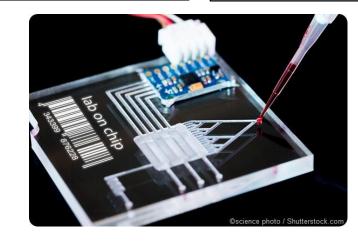


## When Microfluidics meet Electronics or Optics...

- Problems to solve...
  - Bonding of different materials
  - Buffer conditions
  - Leakages
  - Packaging
  - Optical alignment
  - Standard fabrication protocols









## How to move research toward to clinical applications

- Hardware development
  - Develop new devices
  - Expand the functionalities of existing devices, such as smart phone, smart watch
- Software development
  - Personalized App
  - Big data analysis

**Discussions:** 

- **1. What is the current limitations of biomedical researches?**
- 2. What are potential disease applications?

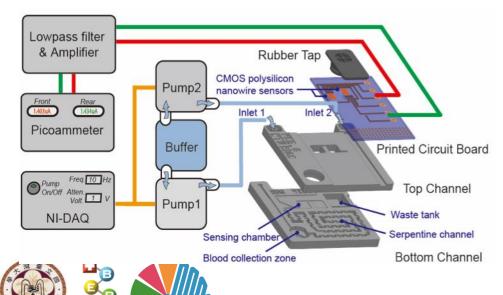
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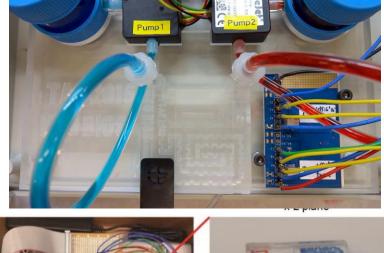


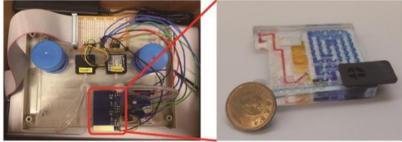


## **Microfluidics Integrating Nanowire Sensors**

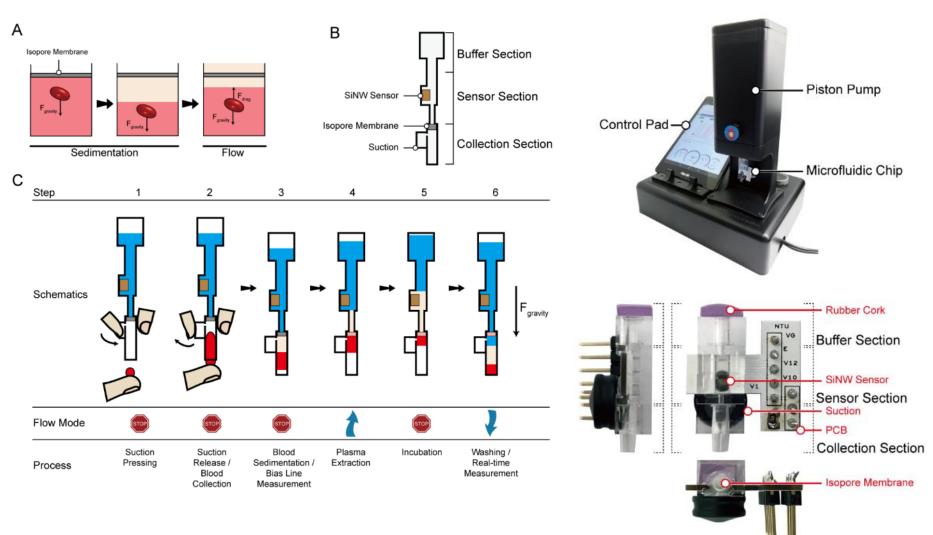
- Microfluidics + nanowires: on-chip whole blood processing and analytes detection
- Three-dimensional microchannel: blood cells trapping and plasma dilution
- Programmable piezoelectric pumps: automatic fluidic control
- CMOS nanowire sensors: label-free and dynamic detection of analytes
- Total assay time: <30 minutes</li>
- Required blood volume: 5 µL







### Microfluidic platform for Heart Failure Diagnosis





### Microfluidic platform for Heart Failure Diagnosis





Disease	Diabetes (糖尿病)	Periodontal dialysis (腹膜透析)	Leukemia (白血病)	Bacterial Infection (細菌感染)	LQTS symptom (心律不整)	Blood Counting (全血分析)	
Markers	Glycated Hemoglobin (HbA1C)	White Blood Cells (WBC)	White Blood Cells (WBC)	Bacteria	Mutated DNA sequence	WBC, RBC, Plasma	
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# Conclusions

- Bio-sample preparation is one of the most important steps to achieve successful bioassay analysis
- Blood is a complex body fluid since its compositions, but contain most valuable information in human body
- Microfluidics can potentially provide a multi-functional, cost-effective and disposable platform for point-of-care applications with low sample consumption and fast reaction time
- Developing lab-on-chip devices for point-of-care applications is still challenging

