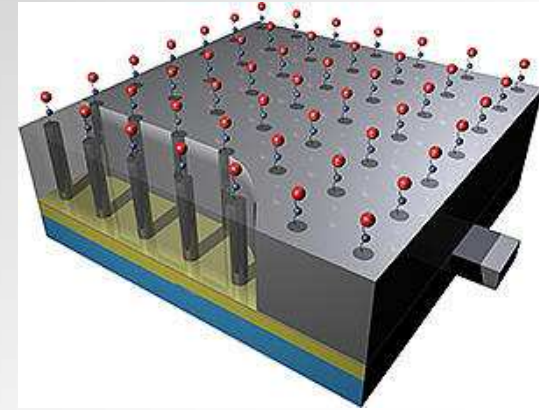


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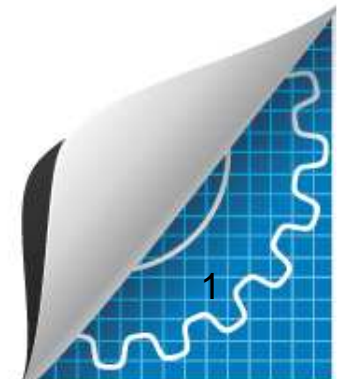
**Lecture I**



# Introduction and Overview of Biosensors .

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# Outlines

- Introduction of the course
- Terms and definition
- Rational of a biosensor
- Types of biosensor
- Applications of biosensors
- Electrochemistry and biosensors
- Nanotechnology in biosensor



# Course Introduction

What will we learn from the course?

- Principals of biosensors
- Fundamentals of analytical electrochemistry
- Biofunctionalization and surface modification
- Aspects and perspectives of nanobioelectronics
- Nanomaterials and nanoengineering for biosensor development
- DNA, protein based electronics

*“An important player in 21st century engineering will be the ‘biotraditional engineer,’ the recipient of a traditional engineer’s training and a modicum of exposure to life science.” M.H. Friedman, J. Biomechanical Eng, V123, December 2001*

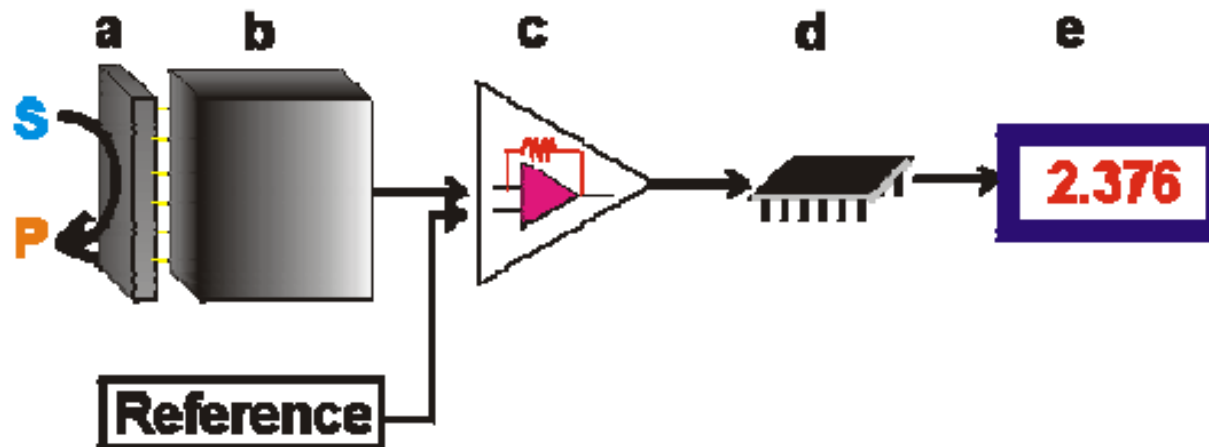
## What is biosensor?

### **Chemical Sensors:**

“A chemical sensor is a device that transforms chemical information, ranging from the concentration of a specific sample component to total composition analysis, into an analytically useful signal” – IUPAC

**Biosensors:** are analytical tools for the analysis of bio-material samples to gain an understanding of their bio-composition, structure and function by converting a biological response into an electrical signal. The analytical devices composed of a biological recognition element directly interfaced to a signal transducer which together relate the concentration of an analyte (or group of related analytes) to a measurable response.

# Biosensor Components



Schematic diagram showing the main components of a biosensor. The bio-reaction (a) converts the substrate to product. This reaction is determined by the **transducer** (b) which converts it to an electrical signal. The output from the transducer is amplified (c), processed (d) and displayed (e).

(<http://www.lsbu.ac.uk/biology/enztech/biosensors.html>)

# Selective Elements and Transducers

## Selective elements

synthetic ionophores  
synthetic carriers  
supramolecular structures, clusters  
solid layers: metals  
– metal oxides, crystals  
– polymers, conducting polymers  
organisms  
micro-organisms  
plant and animal tissues  
cells  
organelles  
membranes, bilayers and monolayers  
enzymes  
receptors  
antibodies  
nucleic acids  
natural organic and inorganic molecules  
micelles, reversed micelles

## Transducers

electrochemical: **(Current, potential, Resistance, impedance)**  
– potentiometric  
– amperometric  
– conductimetric  
– voltammetric, polarographic  
– impedimetric, capacitive  
– piezoelectric **(florescence, light scattering, etc.),**  
optical:  
– transmission / absorbance / reflection  
– dispersion, interferometric  
– polarimetric  
– circular dichroism, ellipsometry  
– scattering  
– emission intensity, photon counting  
(luminescence) decay time  
calorimetric **(Thermal, temperature)**  
acoustic / gravimetric: **(Mass Sensitive)**  
– surface photo-acoustic wave  
– quartz microbalance

Ref: Spichiger-Keller U.E., "Chemical Sensors and Biosensors for Medical and Biological Applications, Wiley-VCH, 1998

## Defining events in the history of biosensor development

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1916	First report on the immobilisation of proteins: adsorption of invertase on activated charcoal
1922	First glass pH electrode
<b>1956</b>	Invention of the oxygen electrode ( <b>Clark</b> )
<b>1962</b>	First description of a biosensor: an amperometric enzyme electrode for glucose ( <b>Clark</b> )
1969	First potentiometric biosensor: urease immobilised on an ammonia electrode to detect urea
<b>1970</b>	Invention of the Ion-Selective Field-Effect Transistor (ISFET) ( <b>Bergveld</b> )
1972/5	First commercial biosensor: Yellow Springs Instruments glucose biosensor
1975	First microbe-based biosensor First immunosensor: ovalbumin on a platinum wire Invention of the pO <sub>2</sub> / pCO <sub>2</sub> optode
1976	First bedside artificial pancreas (Miles)

## Biosensor History (cont.)

<b>1980</b>	First fibre optic pH sensor for <i>in vivo</i> blood gases ( <b>Peterson</b> )
1982	First fibre optic-based biosensor for glucose
<b>1983</b>	First surface plasmon resonance (SPR) immunosensor
1984	First mediated amperometric biosensor: ferrocene used with glucose oxidase for the detection of glucose
1987	Launch of the MediSense ExacTech™ blood glucose biosensor
1990	Launch of the Pharmacia BIACore SPR-based biosensor system
1992	i-STAT launches hand-held blood analyser
1996	Glucocard launched
1996	Abbott acquires MediSense for \$867 million
1998	Launch of LifeScan FastTake blood glucose biosensor
1998	Merger of Roche and Boehringer Mannheim to form Roche Diagnostics
2001	LifeScan purchases Inverness Medical's glucose testing business for \$1.3billion

1999-current

BioNMES, Quantum dots, Nanoparticles, Nanocantilever, Nanowire and Nanotube



## Type of Biosensors (by analytes)

<u>Types of Biological Recognition Elements</u>	<u>Name of the BIOSENSOR</u>
Enzymes	Enzyme electrode
Proteins	
Antibodies	Immunosensor
DNA	DNA sensor
Organelles	
Microbial cells	Microbial sensor
Plant and animal tissues	

## Types of Biosensor (by detection mode)

<u>Types of Transducers</u>	<u>Measured Property</u>
Electrochemical	Potentiometric Amperometric Voltametric
Electrical	Surface conductivity Electrolyte conductivity
Optical	Fluorescence Adsorption Reflection
Mass sensitive	Rezonans frequency of piezocrytals
Thermal	Heat of reaction Heat of adsorption

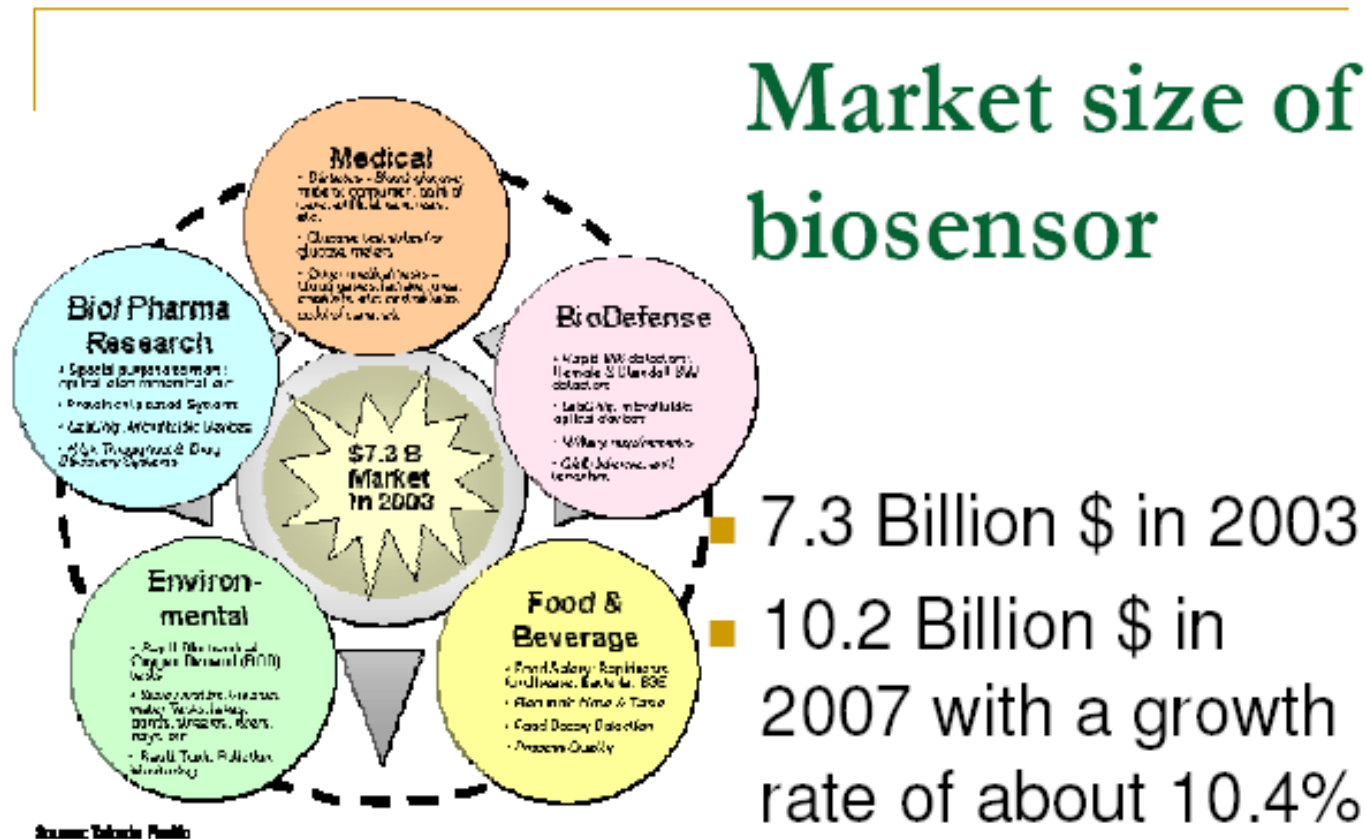
# Typical Sensing Techniques for Biosensors

- **Fluorescence**
- **DNA Microarray**
- **SPR Surface plasmon resonance**
- **Impedance spectroscopy**
- **SPM (Scanning probe microscopy, AFM, STM)**
- **QCM (Quartz crystal microbalance)**
- **SERS (Surface Enhanced Raman Spectroscopy)**
- **Electrochemical**

## Application of Biosensor

- Applications
  - • Study of biomolecules and how they interact with one another
  - - E.g. Biospecific interaction analysis (BIA)
- • Drug Development
- • In- home medical diagnosis
- • Environmental field monitoring
- • Scientific crime detection
- • Quality control in small food factory
- • Food Analysis

# Biosensor Market



## Biomedical Diagnostics

- **Doctors increasingly rely on testing**
- **Needs: rapid, cheap, and “low tech”**
- **Done by technicians or patients**
- **Some needs for *in-vivo* operation, with feedback**

Glucose-based on glucose oxidase

Cholesterol - based on cholesterol oxidase

Antigen-antibody sensors - toxic substances, pathogenic bacteria

Small molecules and ions in living things: H<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup>, NO, CO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>

DNA hybridization, sequencing, mutants and damage

## Commercial Glucose Sensors

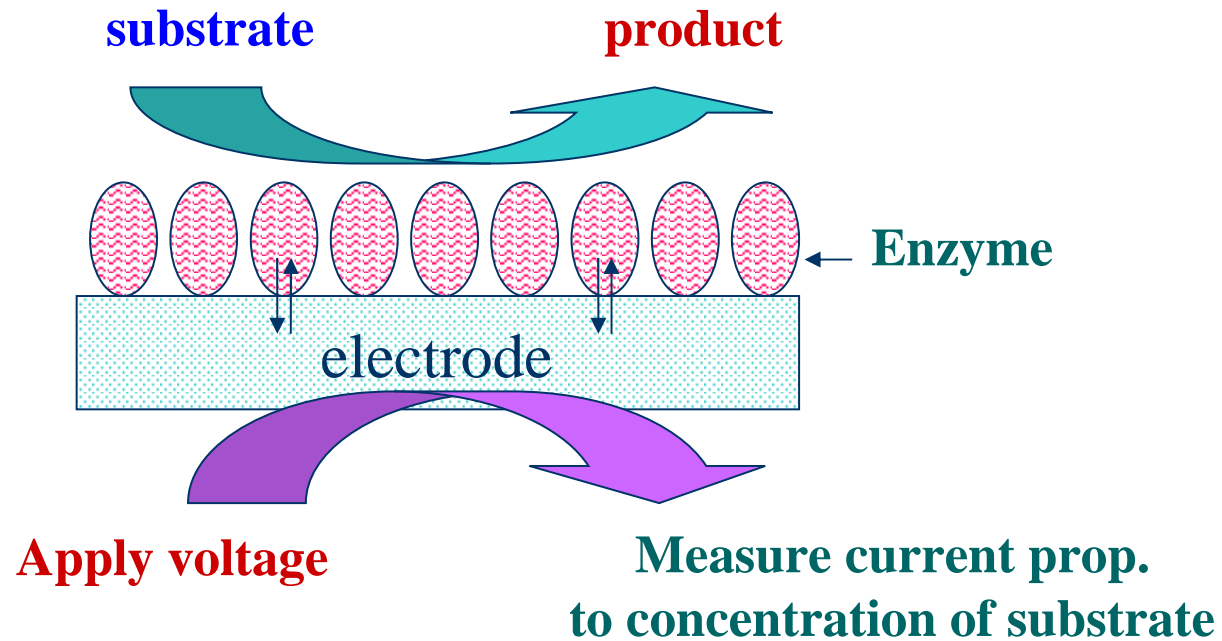
- **Biggest biosensor success story!**
- **Diabetic patients monitor blood glucose at home**
- **First made by Clark in 1962, now 5 or more commercial test systems**
- **Rapid analysis from single drop of blood**
- **Enzyme-electrochemical device on a slide**

# Basic Characteristics of a Biosensor

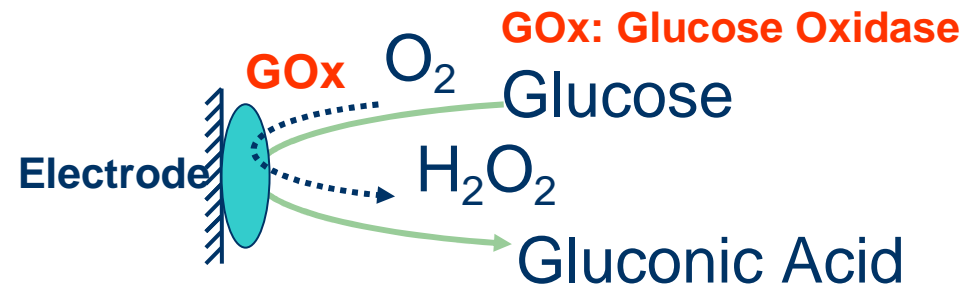
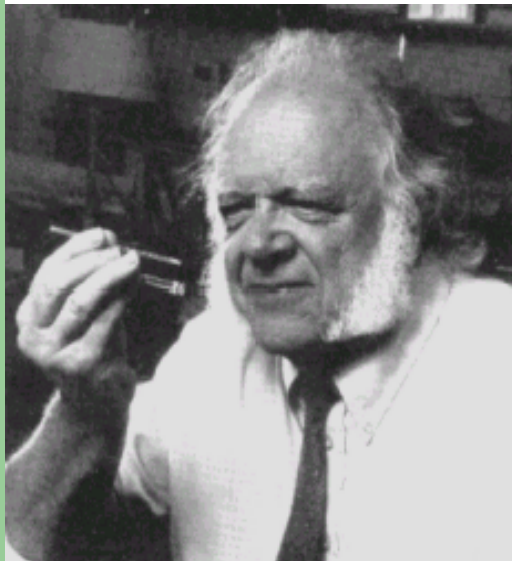
1. **LINEARITY:** Maximum linear value of the sensor calibration curve. Linearity of the sensor must be high for the detection of high substrate concentration.
2. **SENSITIVITY:** The value of the electrode response per substrate concentration.
3. **SELECTIVITY:** Interference of chemicals must be minimised for obtaining the correct result.
4. **RESPONSE TIME:** The necessary time for having 95% of the response.



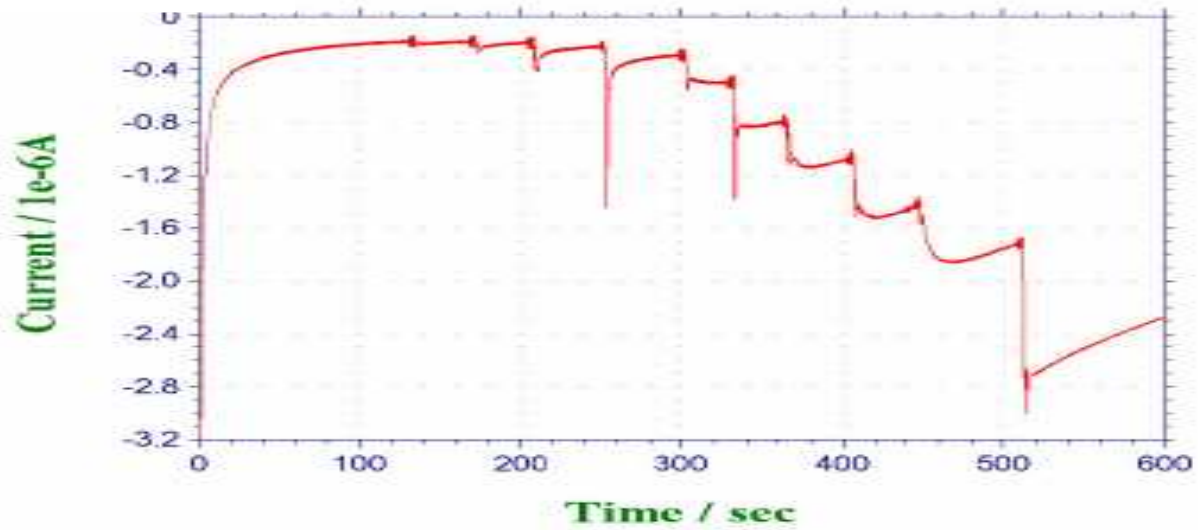
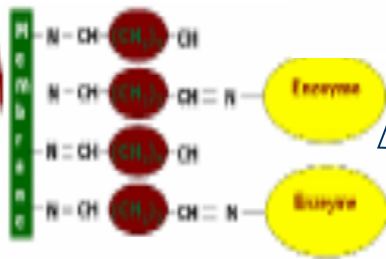
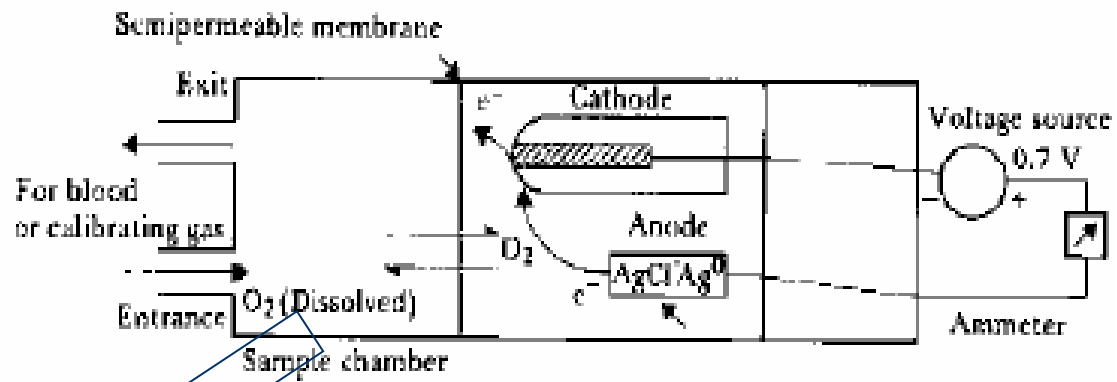
# Principle of Electrochemical Biosensors



# Electrochemical Glucose Biosensor

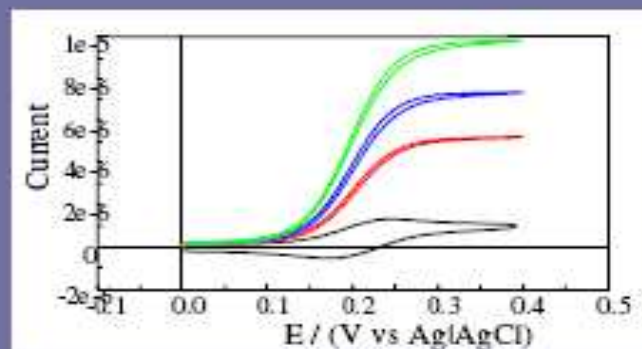


The first and the most widely used commercial biosensor:  
the blood glucose biosensor – developed by *Leland C. Clark* in 1962



# The Glucose Biosensor

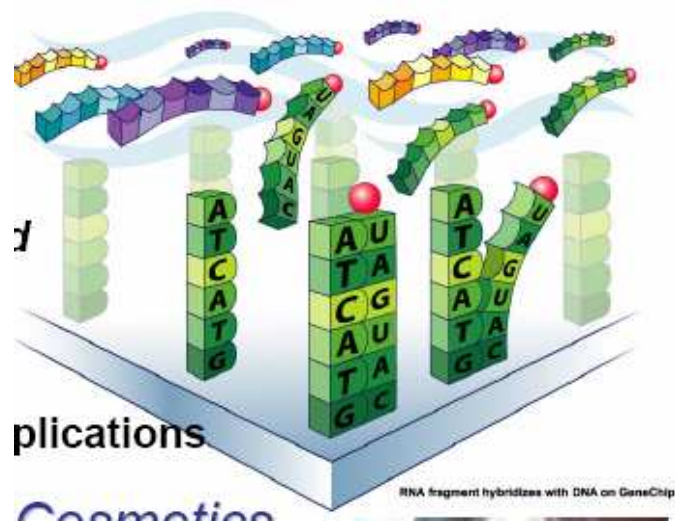
- Coupling of glucose oxidase (via a mediator) to an electrode

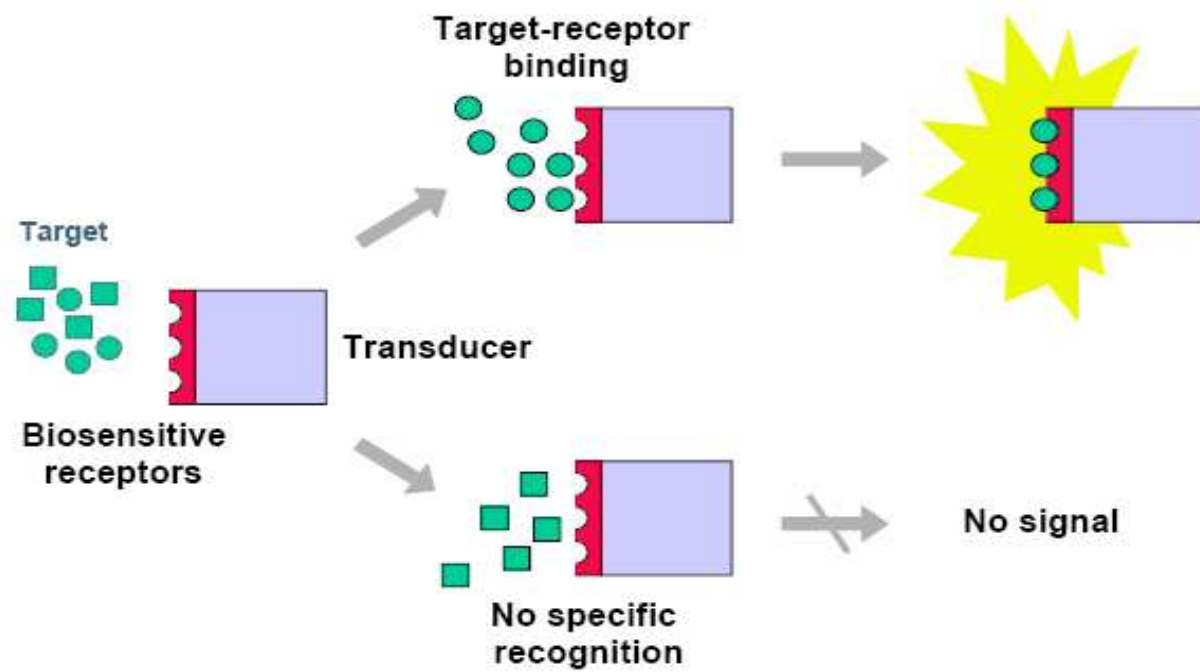


- Increasing concentration of glucose
- Current proportional to glucose concentration
- Randles-Sevcik equation  

$$I_p = (2.687 \times 10^5) n^{3/2} \nu^{1/2} D^{1/2} A C$$

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**1 Chippets** provbrunnar fylls med blod från patienten.

**2 Chippet kopplas** ihop med mobilens batteri som driver de små inbyggda pumparna. Provet filtreras och renas och går vidare till analysdelen. De sökta proteinerna binds till antikroppar som sitter fast på nanopartiklar. Det ger upphov till ljus genom bioluminescens.

