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# **INTRODUCTION TO MICROFLUIDICS**

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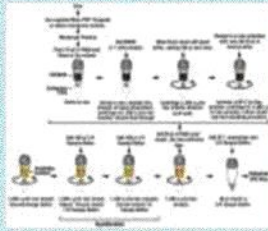
**Sampling for Bioanalysis**

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### Topics in this lecture

#### Biological samples

What's special?



#### Impact of miniaturization in medical field

The introduction of miniaturized sensors and Lab-on-a-Chip devices in clinical research and routine check-up are...

#### Applications

Critical care, point-of-care and cell based systems are introduced

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## 6. Sampling for bioanalysis

- Introduction
- Strategic developments of sample preparation methods
- Integrated sample treatment
  - Diffusion, extraction and cell filtration
- Bioanalysis systems
  - Bodyfluid sampling and sensor stack
  - Cell containing samples
- Outlook: Future developments
- Summary

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### Topics in this section

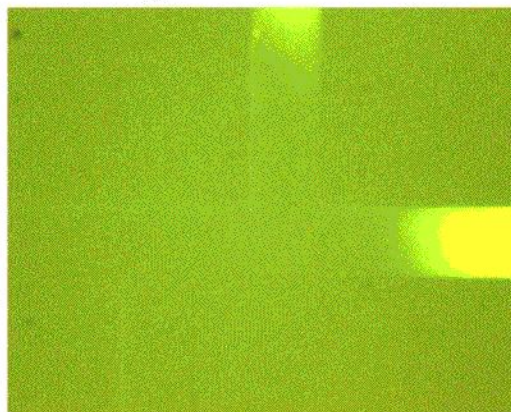
#### Biosample plug forming and sample retrieval



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## Introduction

- Biotechnology
- Pharmacology
- Medical diagnostics



*E. Vrouwe et al., University of Twente*

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## 6.1. Introduction

# Biotechnological sample monitoring

- Detection and quantification of components often using electrical means to reduce operator influence as known from optical microscopy, e.g. in the hospital environment.
- Integration of the information obtained with other process parameters available in real-time and thus utilization for process control loops.

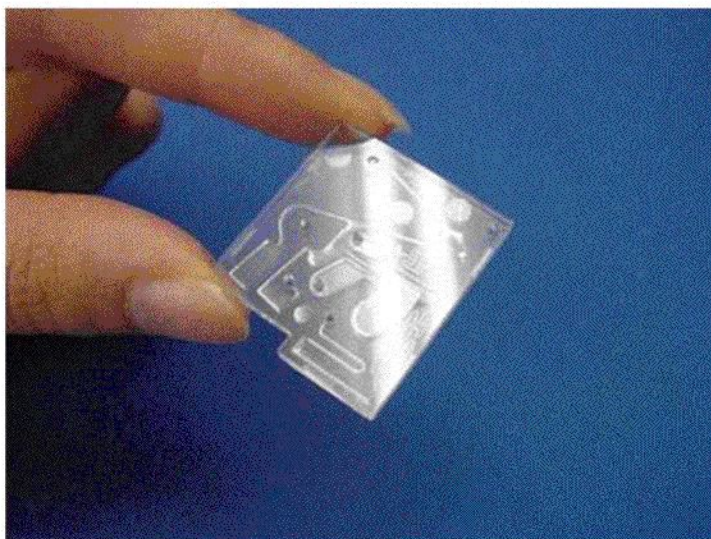
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# Multiple functions in a single biochip



[www.ushio.co.jp](http://www.ushio.co.jp)

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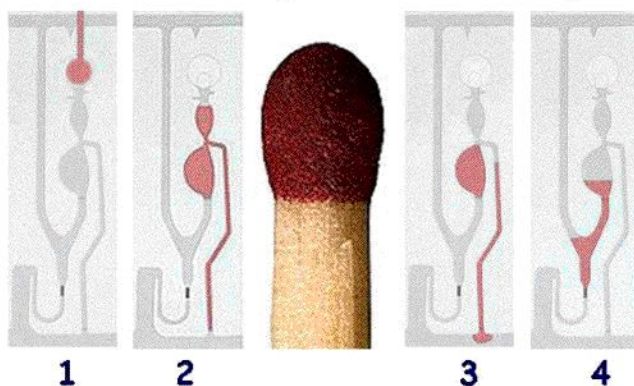
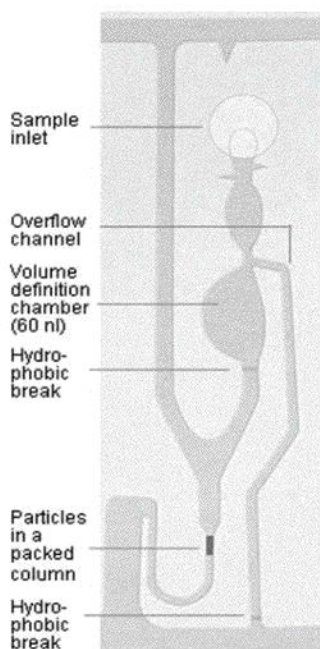
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## 6.1. Introduction

# Defined sample volume (plug)



1. Liquid drawn in by capillary action.
2. Overflow channel activated at a low spin speed, removing excess liquid.
3. Volume (60 nl) defined within the chamber.
4. Defined volume moves through packed column by increasing spin speed.

[www.gros.nl](http://www.gros.nl)

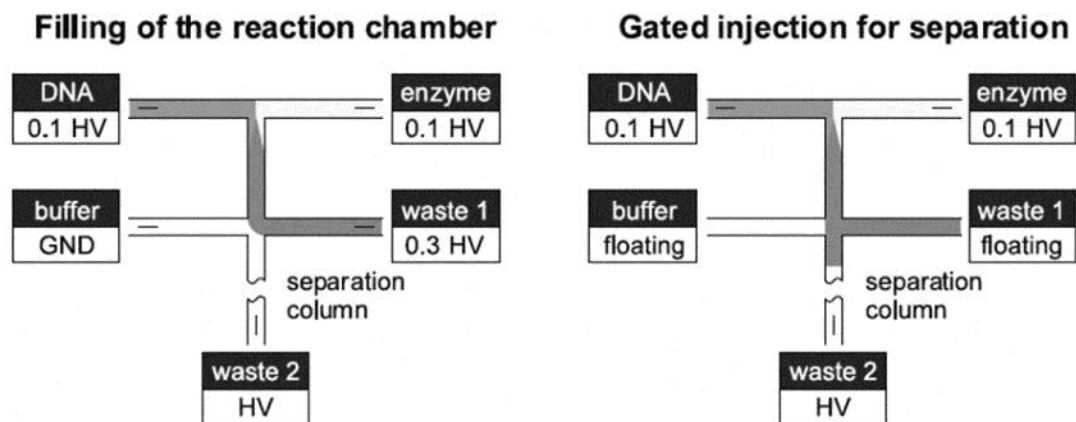
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# Electrokinetic sample plug definition



*S.C. Jacobson, J.M. Ramsey, Anal. Chem. 68 (1996) 720-723*

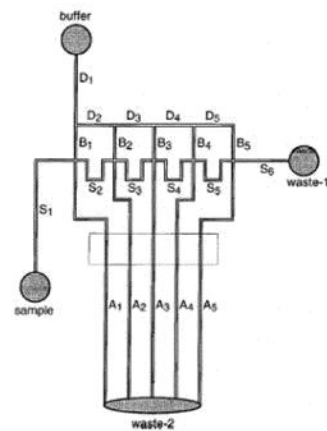
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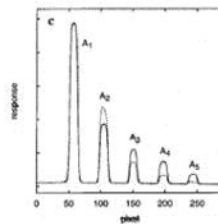
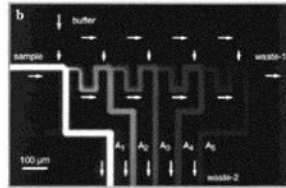
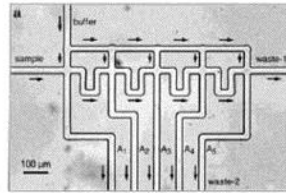
# Advanced Sample Manipulation



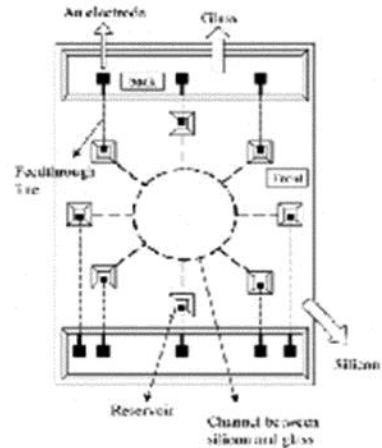
**Microfluidic Devices for Electrokinetically Driven Parallel and Serial Mixing**

*S.C. Jacobson et al., Anal. Chem. 1999, 71, 4455-4459*

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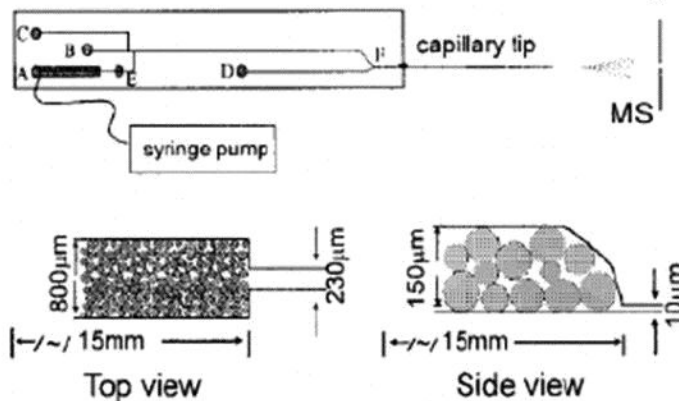
**Methodology for device miniaturization and insulation on a silicon substrate**

*Y. Jeong et al., Lab on a Chip, 2001, 1, 143-147*



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# On-chip bead-based digestion-separation-MS



**Beds of immobilized trypsin on beads:**

- Increased trypsin:protein ratios → enhanced reaction rates
- Higher trypsin concentrations possible → it doesn't eat itself!

*Ref. C. Wang et al. Rapid Commun. Mass Spectrom. 2000, 14, 1377-83.*

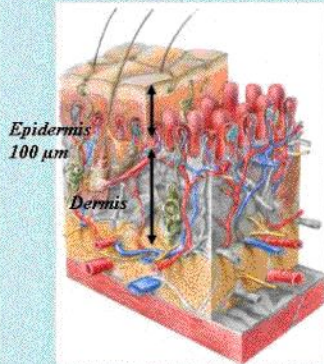
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Topics in this section  
Skin penetration  
mechanism



Needles today?



## Strategic developments of sample preparation methods

- Retrieving samples through skin
- Blood sample requirements
  - Good efficacy
  - High quality of life
  - Low cost
- Technological solutions

*Human skin*

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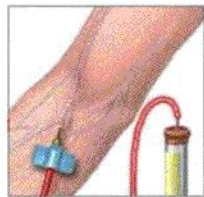
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### 6.2. Strategic developments of sample preparation methods

## Blood Sampling Standards

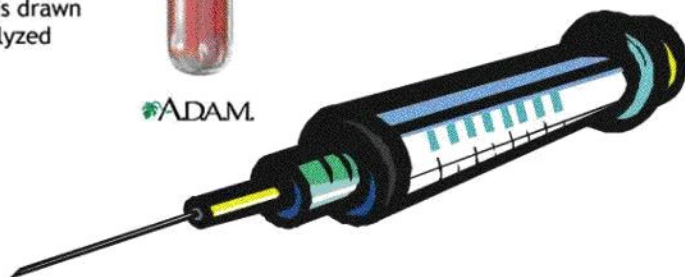
Tourniquet is applied  
and area is disinfected



Needle is introduced  
into vein, blood is drawn  
into vial and analyzed



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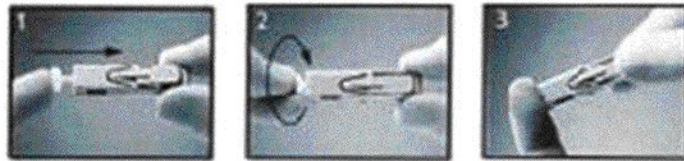
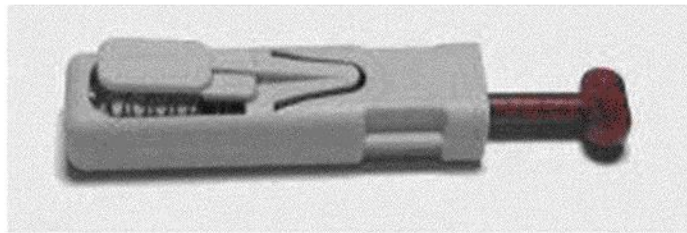
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## Various types of "fine" lancets



Automatic lancet



Automatic lancet (Bayer)



Vacuum lancet (Bayer)

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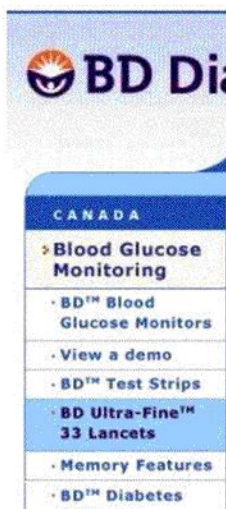
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## Finer Needles?

Lancets still cause pain / inconvenience for the patient and still involve good discipline handling by the patient or even a trained operator to properly collect the sample!



[Home](#) > [Blood Glucose Monitors](#) > [BD Ultra-Fine™ 33 Lancets](#)

### What's different about the new 33-gauge BD Ultra-Fine™ 33 Lancets?

**Smaller Blood Sample, Less Pain**

The BD Ultra-Fine™ 33 Lancets are the thinnest lancets available, which means that you'll experience less pain when taking a blood sample.



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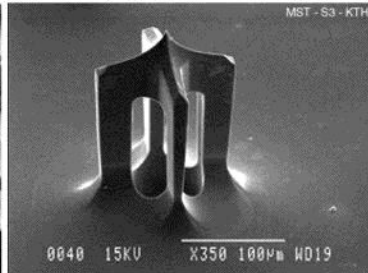
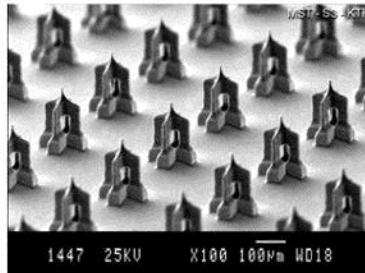
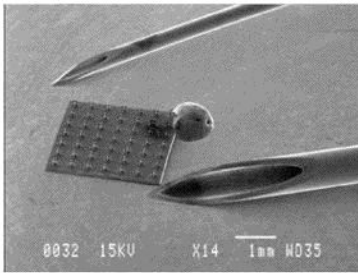
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## 6.2. Strategic developments of sample preparation methods

### Micromachined needles

- Claiming painlessness (?)
- Mechanically highly resistant needle
- Low flow resistance (+/-)
- Large exposure area by dense arrays (+/-)
- Inject 100  $\mu\text{l}$  in 2 sec using a  $3 \times 3 \text{ mm}^2$  chip would cause a pressure drop of 2 kPa.



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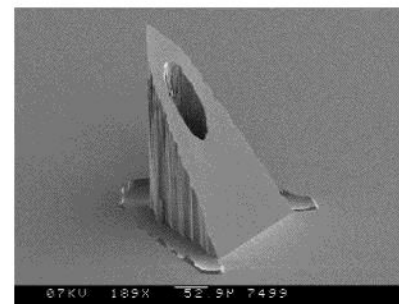
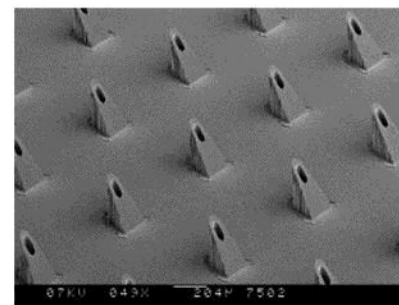
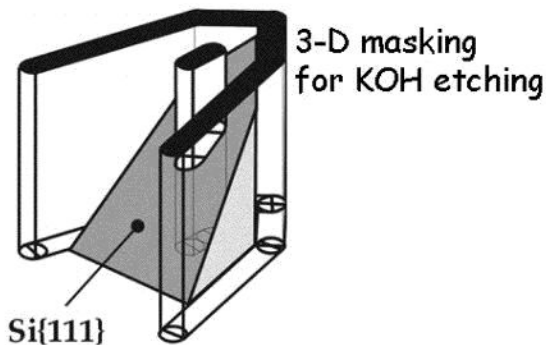
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## 6.2. Strategic developments of sample preparation methods

### Silicon Microneedles as Sampler ?

- Collaboration of
  - Transducer, Science and Technology Group, BIOS (MESA+), and Nanopass Technologies Ltd., Israel



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Gardemiers et al, *Journal of Microelectromechanical Systems*, Vol. 12, No. 6, 855-862, 2003

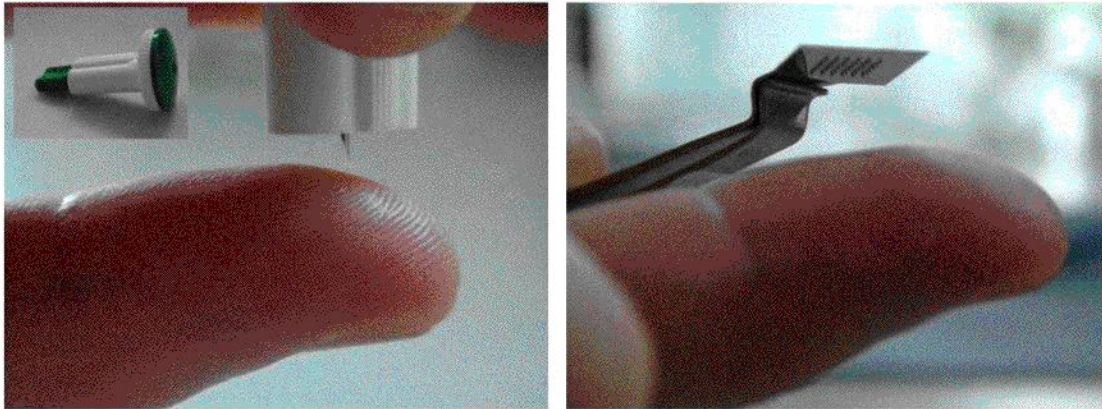
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## 6.2. Strategic developments of sample preparation methods

### Standard lancet versus silicon array

- Advantages/disadvantages



*R. Luttge et al., University of Twente, 2002*

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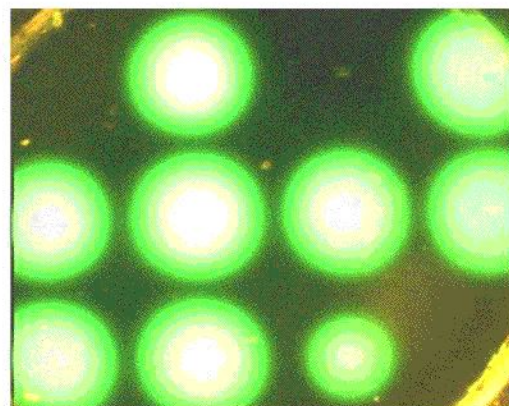
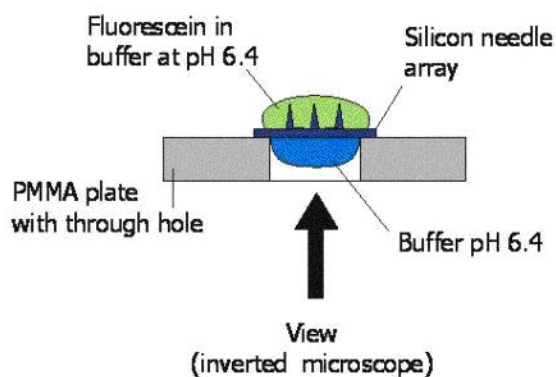
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### Transport of "Sample"

- Fluorescent dye testing



*R. Luttge et al., University of Twente, 2003*

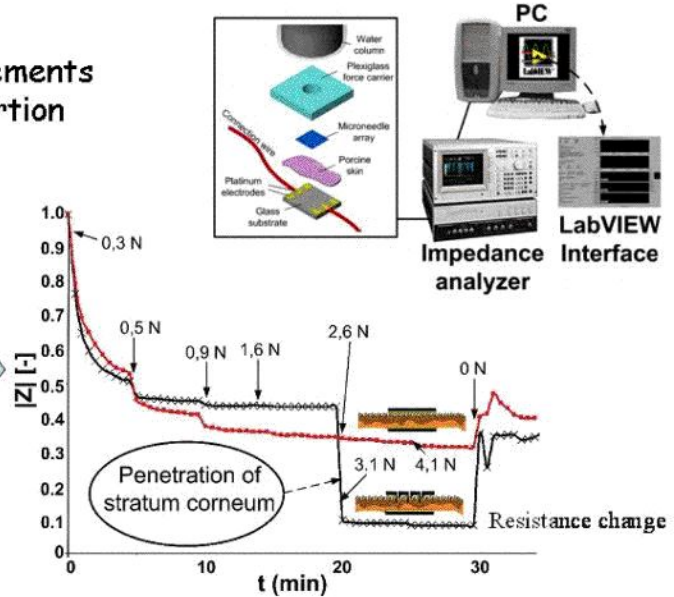
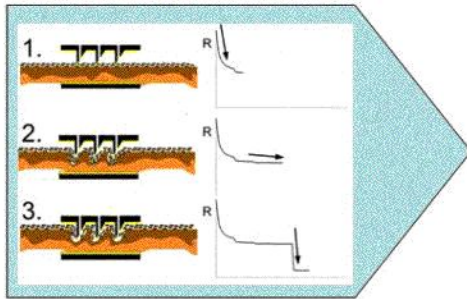
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# Electrical penetration sensing

- Skin impedance measurements during microneedle insertion



*P. Loeters et al, μTAS2004*

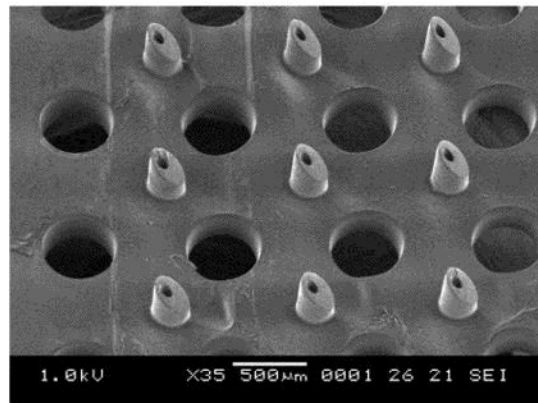
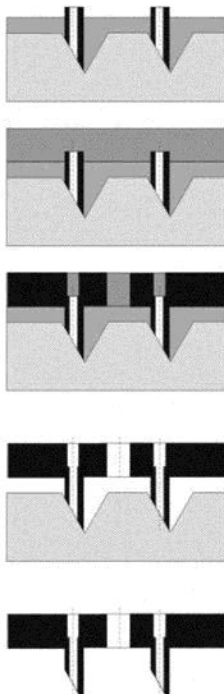
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# SU-8 microneedles

- Lithography on pre-patterned substrates



*D. Alpeter et al., University of Twente, 2003  
Nanopass Ltd., patent pending*

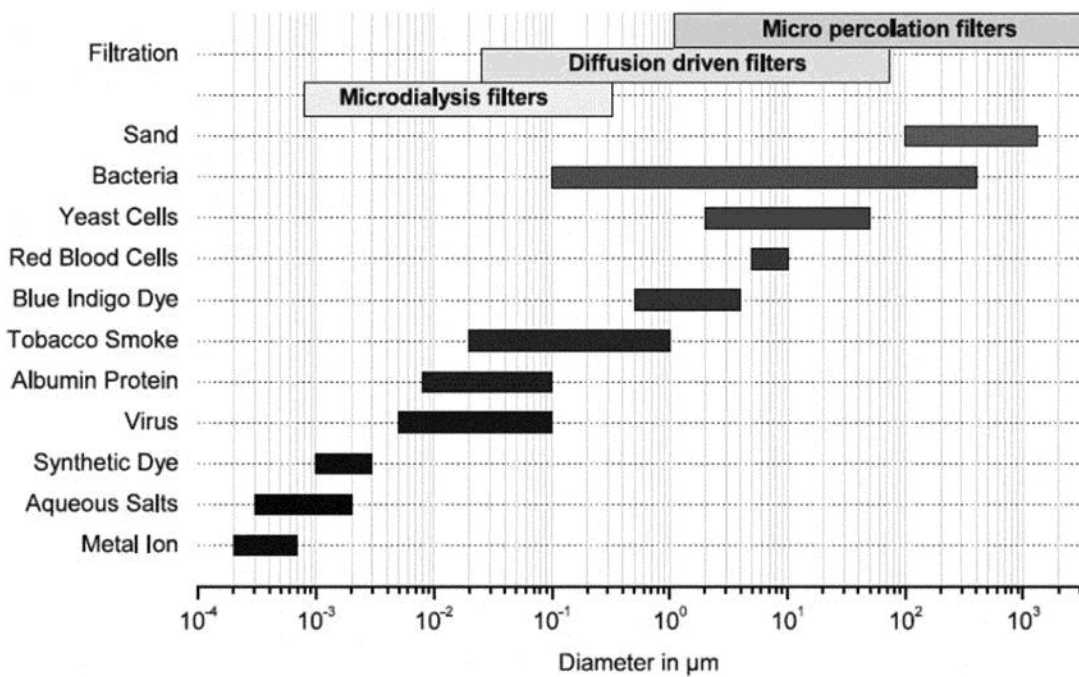
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## The "Filtration Spectrum"



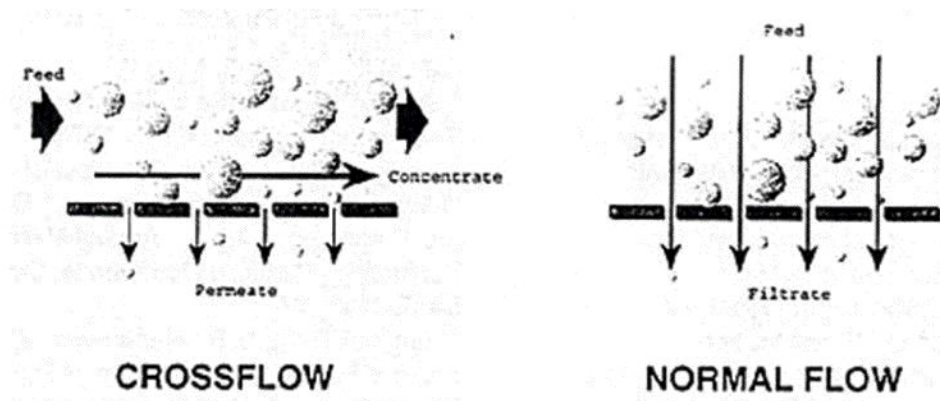
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## Types of filtration



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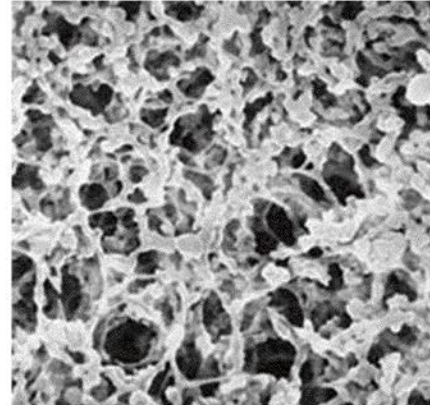
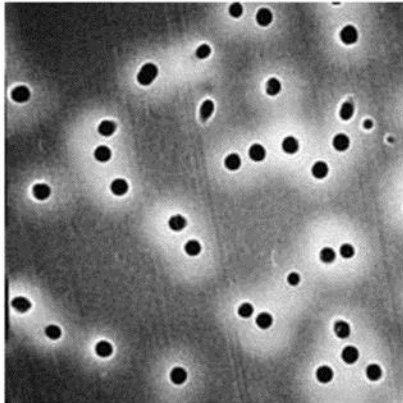




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### Filter types

- Screen membrane filters (capillary pore), left
- Depth membrane filters (tortuous filter), right



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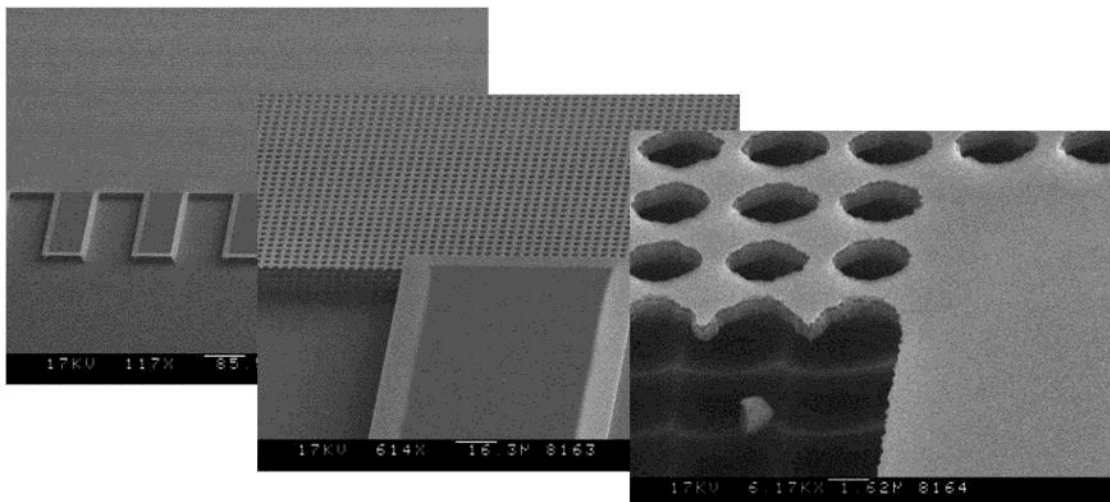
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### Micromachined filter membranes

- White blood cells are stopped
- Red blood cells squeeze through



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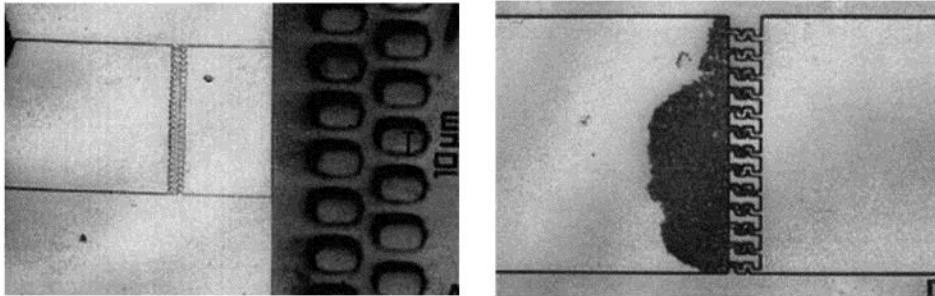
*van den Berg, University of Twente*



## 6.2. Strategic developments of sample preparation methods

### Channel integrated filters

- Silicon micropost-type filter
- Wire-type filter
- White blood cells are isolated from whole blood. Genomic targets can then be directly amplified.



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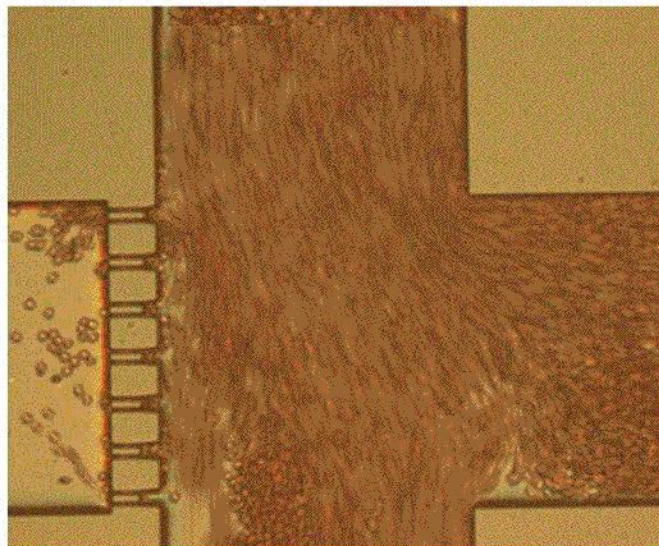
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## 6.2. Strategic developments of sample preparation methods

### Studying cells on microchip

- Characterize cellular flow properties
- Control cell flow
- Capture single cells
- Manipulate cells by e.g. electrical fields



Valero et al., Nanoscan STW-project

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## Topics in this section

### Sample preparation/ clean up

# Integrated sample treatment

- Reducing the complexity of a sample
  - Diffusion based systems
  - Solid phase extraction

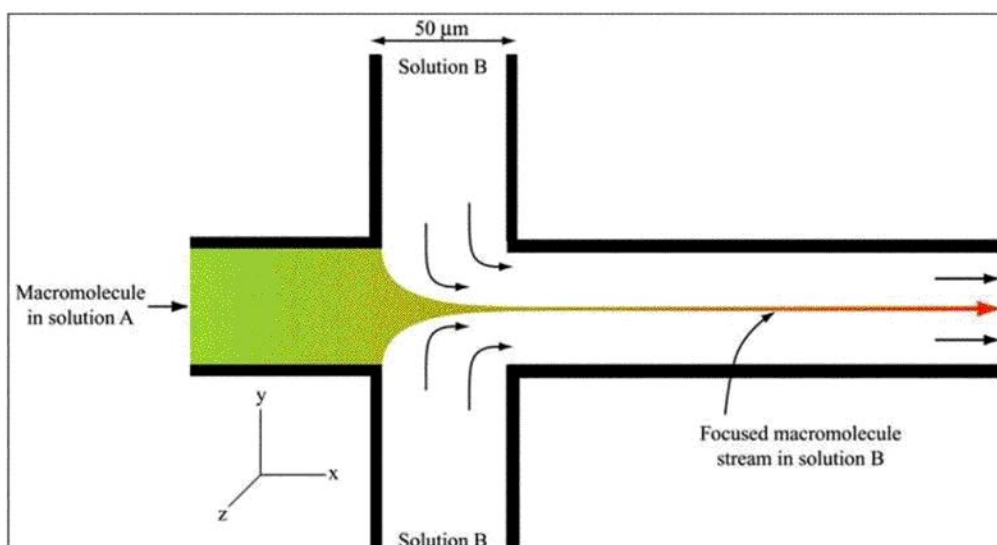
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## 6.3. Integrated sample treatment

### Sheath flow- mixing by diffusion



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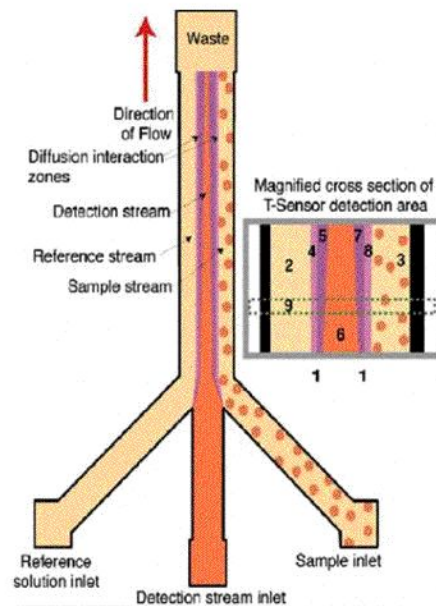
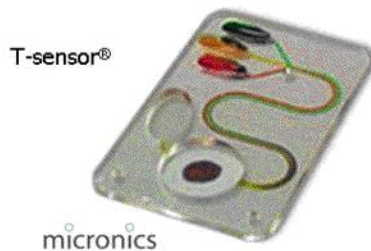




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## Diffusion-based reaction

- Reference and sample solution are broad into contact with a detection solution downstream.
- Reactions occur in the interdiffusion (mixed) zones.



Source: P. Yager, Univ. of Washington, USA

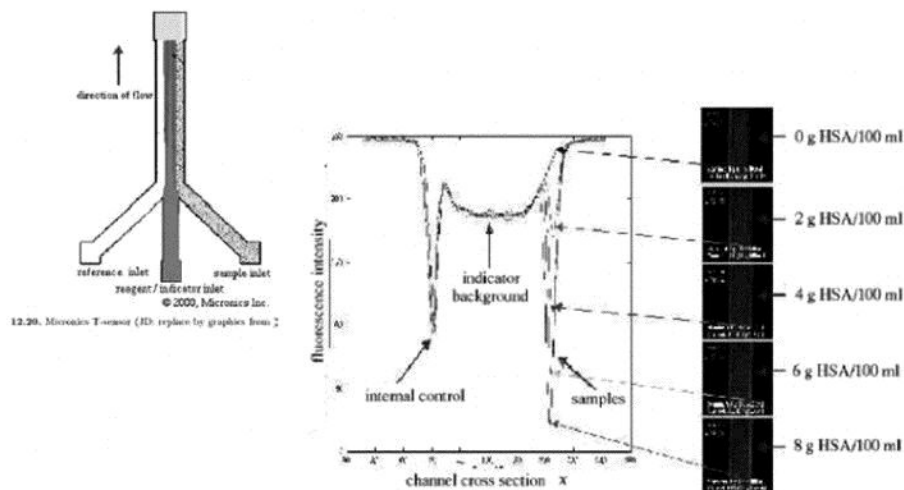
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### 6.3. Integrated sample treatment

## Determination of human serum albumin



**Fig. 12.21.** Example T-Sensor assay. Fluorescence micrographs of a detection channel section containing a control, indicator, and sample streams during a determination of human serum albumin, and a graph displaying the corresponding light intensity profiles across the width of the channel

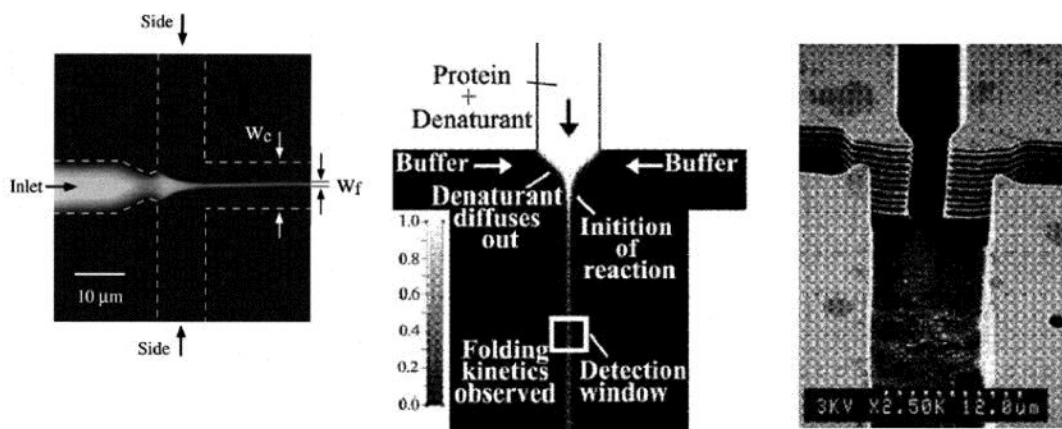
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### 6.3. Integrated sample treatment

## Microsecond mixing/de-mixing by hydrodynamic focusing



*J.B. Knight, et al. / Phys. Rev. Lett. 80, 1998, 3863-3866*

*D.E. Hertzog, et al. / Proc. Micro Total Analysis Systems Conf. 2003, Squaw Valley, Oct. 5-9, 2003, pp. 891-894*

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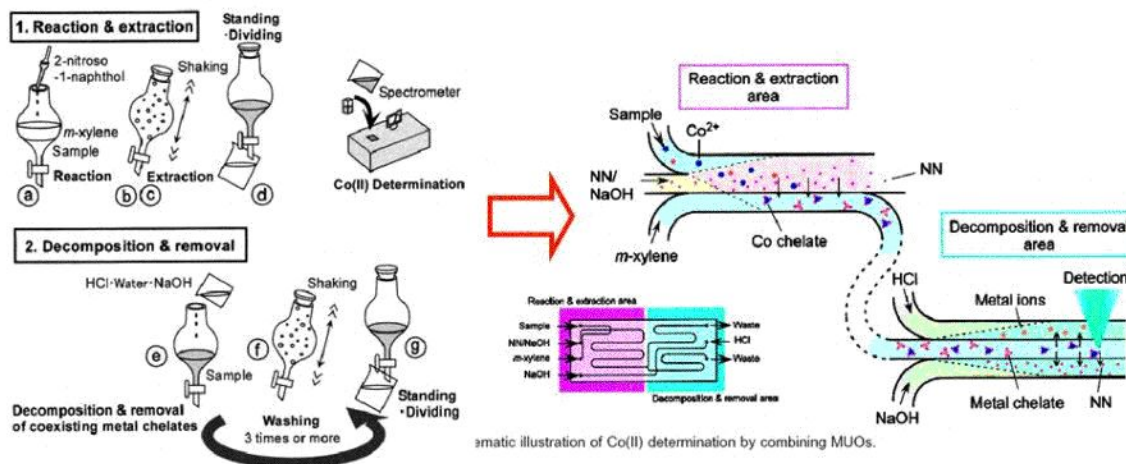
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### 6.3. Integrated sample treatment

## Continuous-flow chemical processing

- Combining microunit operations and multiphase flow network
- Co(II) conc. detection limit: 18 nM, absolute amount detectable 0.13 zmol.



*M. Tokeshi et al., Anal. Chem. 74, 2002, 1565*

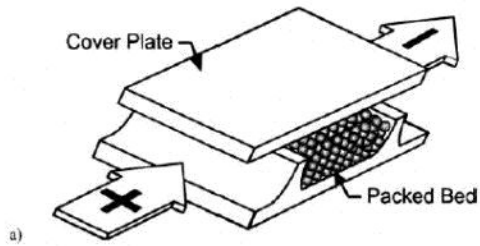
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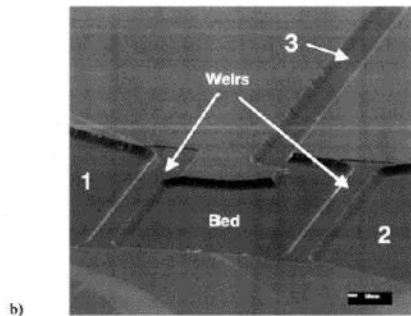


### 6.3. Integrated sample treatment

## Solid-phase packed bed extraction



- Analyte-bead interaction may be:
  - Physical
  - Chemical (surface modification)



R.D. Oleschuk, A.E. Jemere, L.L. Schultz-Lockyear, F. Fajuyigbe, D.J. Harrison, *Proceedings of the Micro Total Analysis Systems Symposium 2000, Kluwer Academic, Dordrecht, 2000, pp. 11-14.*

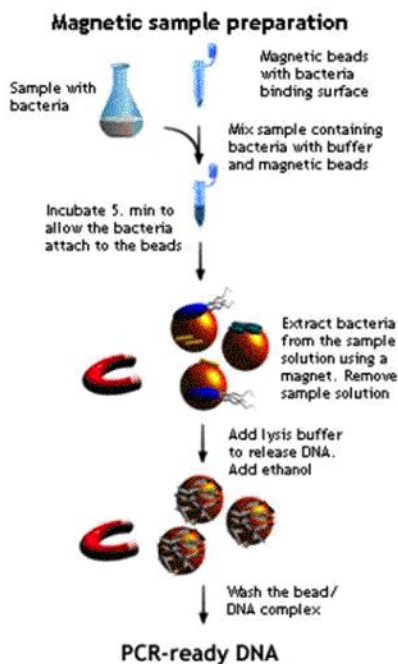
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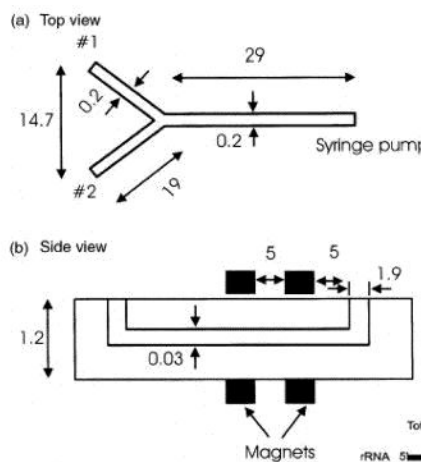


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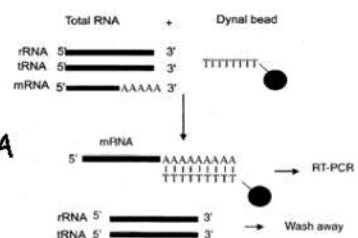
## Magnetic bead extraction



<http://www.genpoint.com/Mediasampleprep.gif>



- mRNA isolation for the purpose of cDNA library construction



G. Jiang, D.J. Harrison, *Analyst* 125 (2000) 2176-2179

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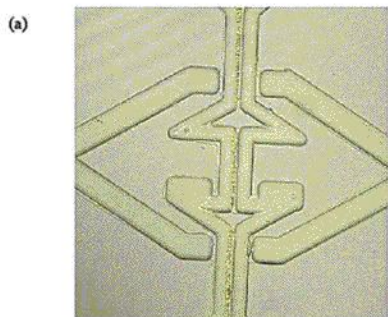
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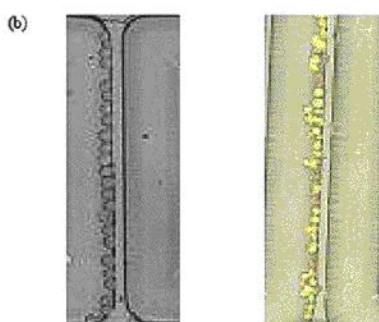


### 6.3. Integrated sample treatment

## Docking system for cell analysis



- Control of cell transport and docking using a 'Parallel dam' structure (5  $\mu\text{m}$ )
- Generation of concentration gradient by controlled fluid distribution and diffusive mixing



- Made of quartz with PDMS seal
- Successfully measured the ATP-dependent calcium uptake in HL-60 cells.

*Yang (2002) Analytical Chemistry, 74, 3991-4001.*

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### 6.3. Integrated sample treatment

## Suggested reading

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- Jan Lichtenberg, Nico F. de Rooij, Elisabeth Verpoorte, REVIEW, Sample pretreatment on microfabricated devices *Talanta* 56, 2002, 233-266.

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# Bioanalysis systems

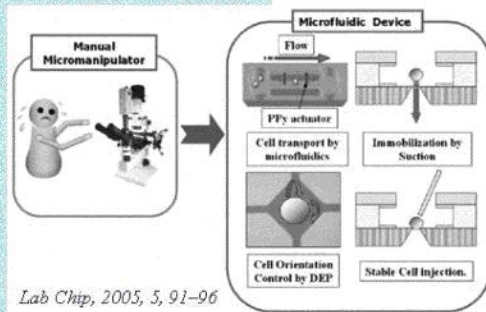
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Integrated microfluidic bioanalysis



- Bodyfluid sampling

Cellular analysis



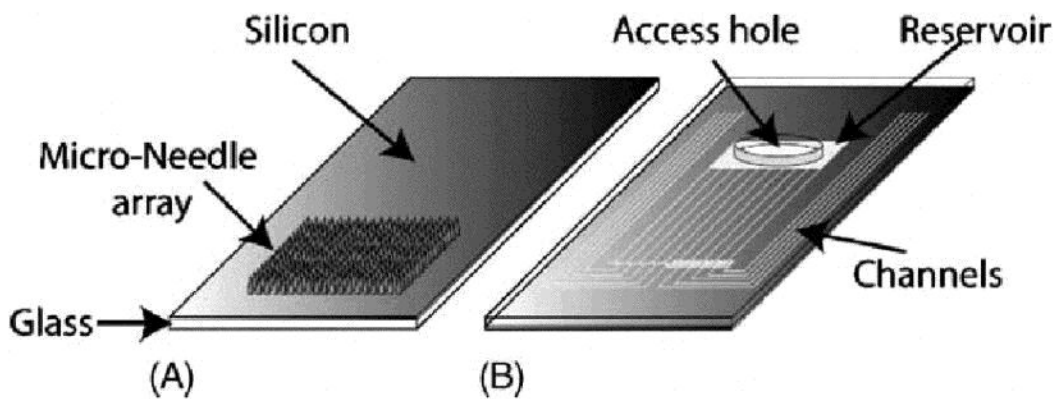
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## 6.4. Bioanalysis systems

### Microneedle integrated glucose sensor



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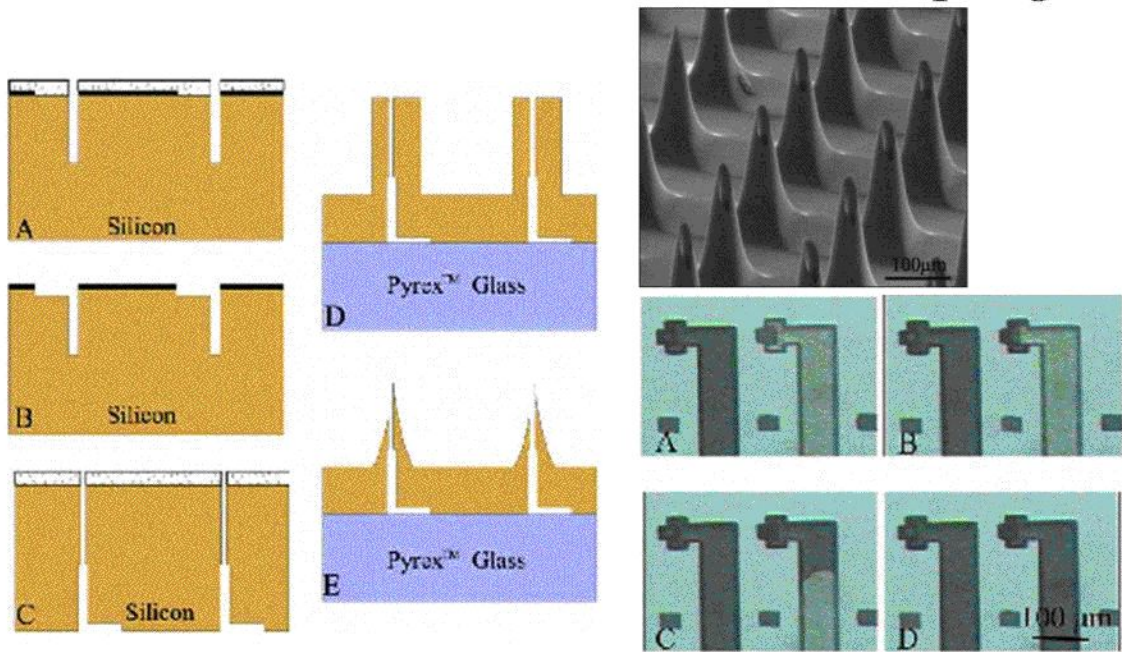
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# $\mu$ -needle biofluid sampling



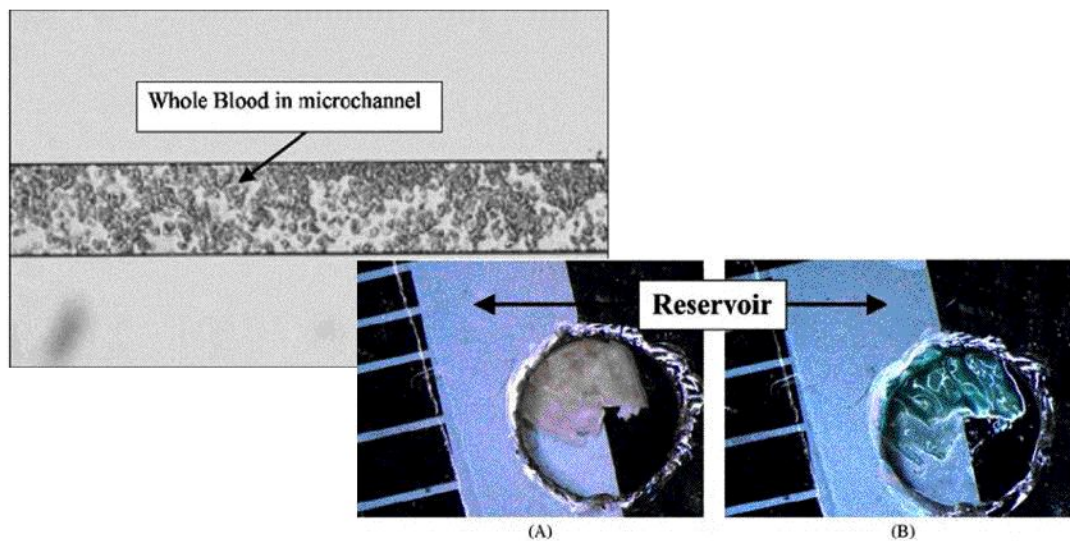
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6.4. Bioanalysis systems

# Blood and interstitial fluid sampled by microneedle array



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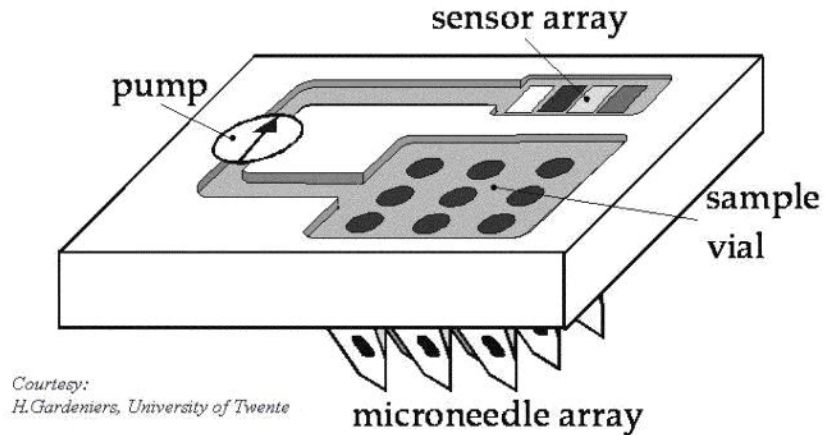
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## Integrated sampling – selective sensing

- Basic layout of a carry-on system to monitor the health status of a person, by using information based on the measurement of constituents in the body fluid of the person.





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## Progressive systems towards market

**In Vitro Diagnostics**



**Careside Analyzer blood testing system**  
Submitted by: Careside, Inc.  
Culver City, CA  
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Bill Reid, (UMM Electronics, Indianapolis, IN)  
[www.careside.com](http://www.careside.com)

Outstanding feature: delivers almost instant test results onsite, eliminating the traditional daylong wait for laboratory results.

With its capability to provide accurate point-of-care blood test results within 12 to 15 minutes, the Careside Analyzer decentralizes lab operations and eliminates the traditional two to 24-hour turnaround for test information. The system performs chemistry, electrochemistry, coagulation, and immunochemistry tests, and can conduct hematology tests when connected to a separate device. The compact unit has a footprint of less than one square foot and features a graphical user interface designed for

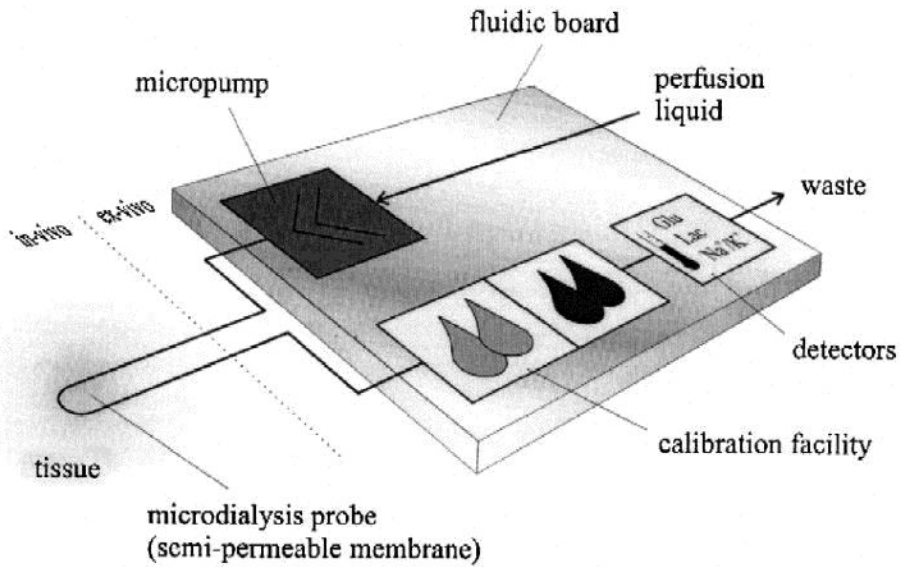
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# Integrated microdialysis system



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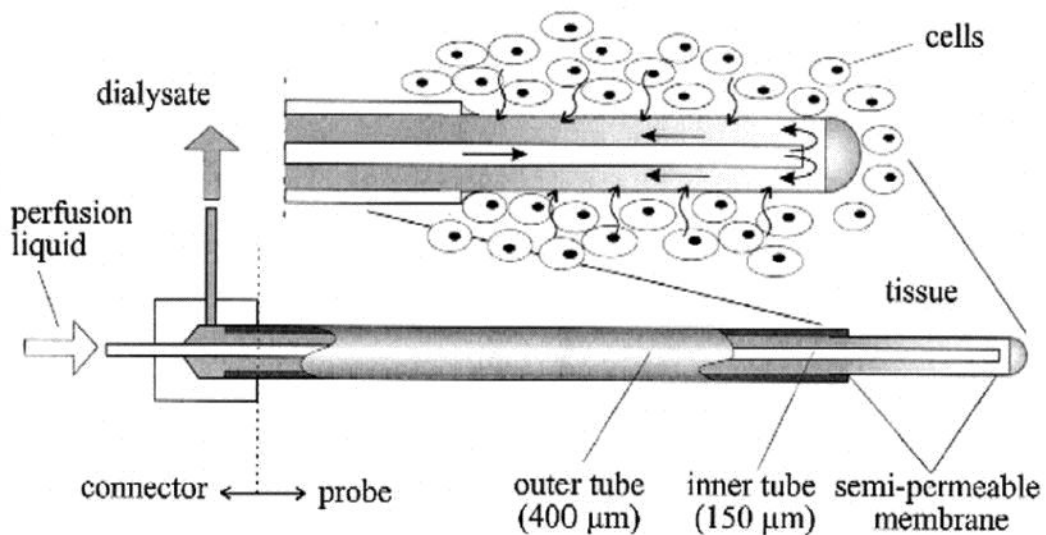
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# Commercial available double lumen microdialysis probe



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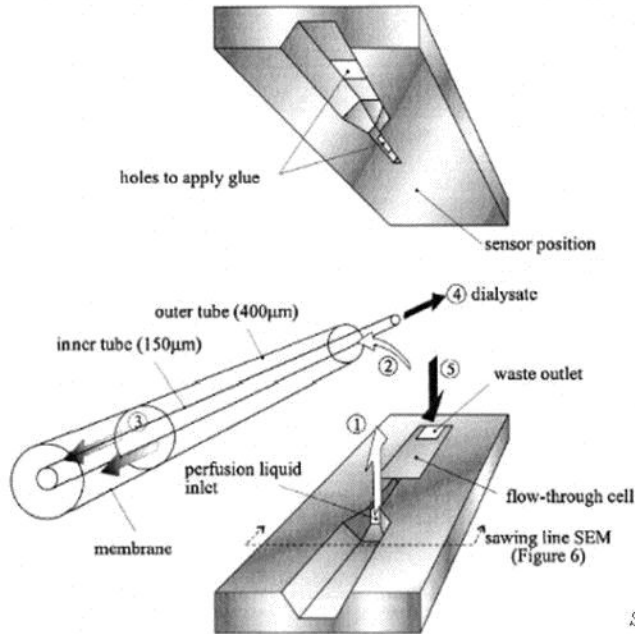
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## Exploded view of the connector / sensor construction



- The fluid flow from inlet to outlet is marked with numbers 1-5:
  - 1-3: perfusion liquid,
  - 4: dialysate entering the flow-through cell,
  - 5: dialysate leaving the system. The 'SEM sawing line' indicates the position and direction where the cross section (figure assembly, next slide) was taken.

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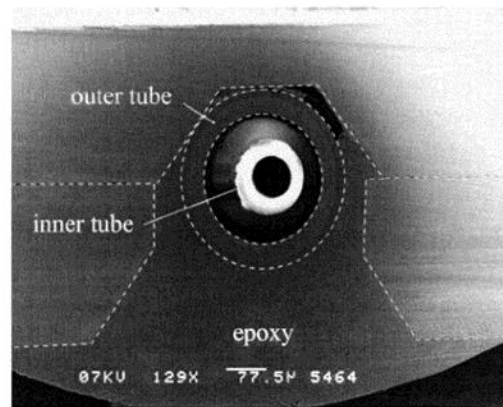
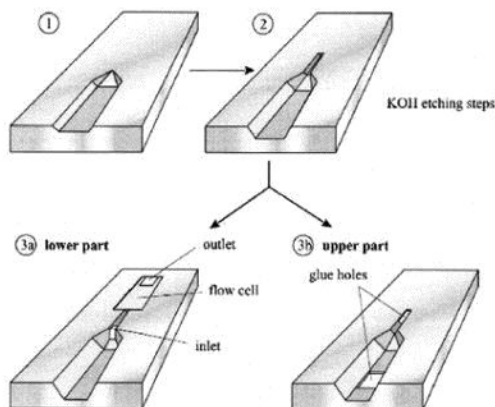
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## General fabrication scheme and cross-section of assembly



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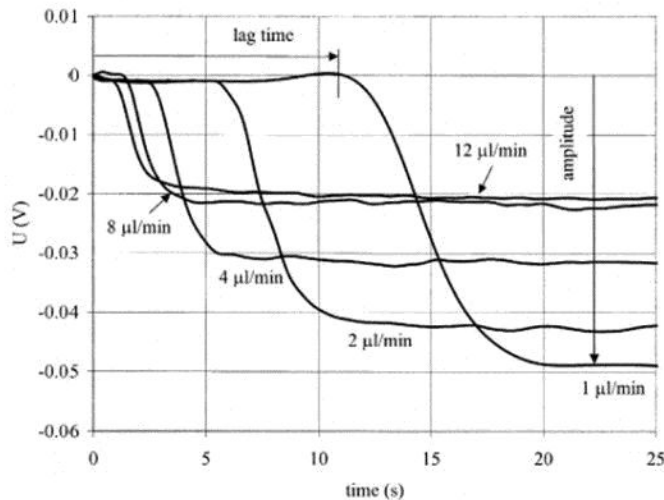




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## Potentiometric detection at integrated electrodes

- Measured response to 100 mM KCl for a micromachined probe/sensor membrane length 5 mm.



- measured against a standard glass reference electrode using a high impedance amplifier, 10 V input impedance and a digital storage oscilloscope for data acquisition.

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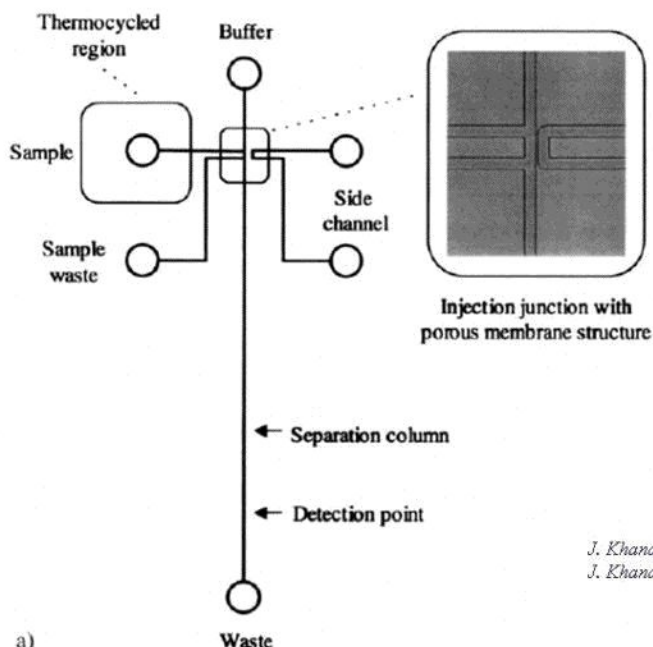
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## Planar integrated dialysis and sample pre-concentration



*J. Khandurina et al., Anal. Chem. 71 (1999) 1815–1819*  
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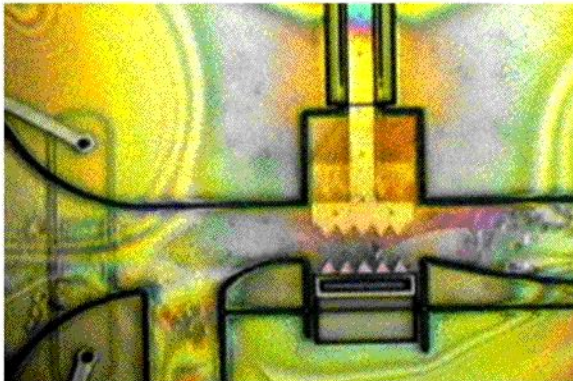
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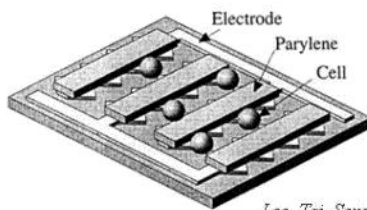
## Cell lysis



### Mechanical

- 20  $\mu\text{m}$  wide jaw
- 10 cells/second
- Continuous flow
- Teeth with needles
- under development

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### Electrical

- Consists of multi-electrode pairs
- The cells are lysed by a pulsed electric field 1-10 kV/cm

*Lee, Tai, Sensors and Actuators, 73, 74, 1999.*

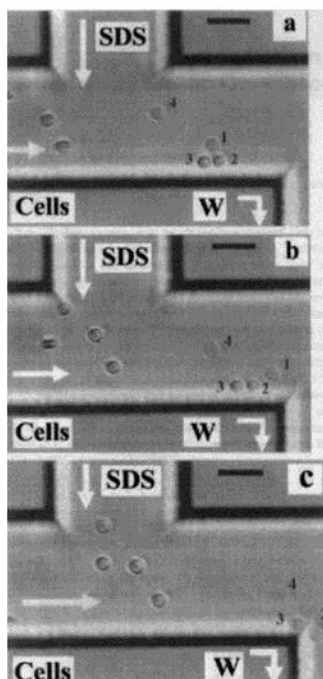
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## Chemical Lysing



- Electrophoresis/electroosmosis
- Lysing agent:  
sodium dodecyl sulphate (SDS)
- Lysis of erythrocytes

*Li, Harrison, Analytical Chem, 69, 1564, 1997.*

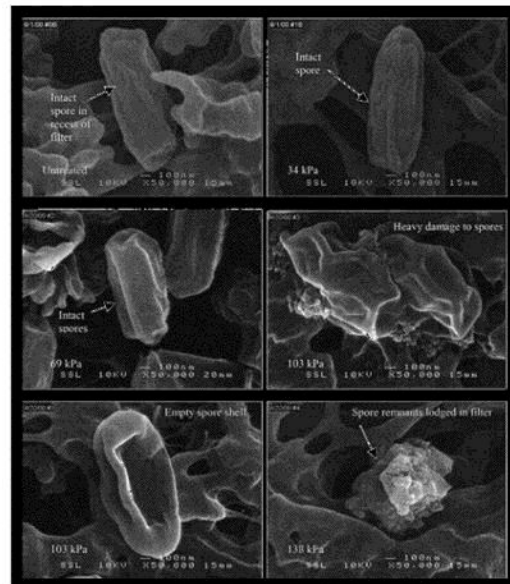
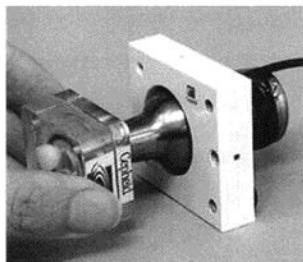
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## Microsonicator

- Sonication in conjunction with microfluidics and glass beads
- A fluidic module that capture bacterial spores on a filter
- Applying ultrasonic energy through a thin-film flexible interface
- Bacillus spores successfully lysed in less than 30 sec.



Taylor, M., et al., (2001) *Analytical Chemistry*, 73, 492-496.

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## Outlook: Future developments

- Cell based diagnostic systems and screening platforms.
- Miniaturized critical care microfluidic *Lab-on-a-Chip* devices will go to market within the next 10 years.
- From cell population data acquisition systems there will be also systems to retrieve information from single cells in a highly parallel fashion.

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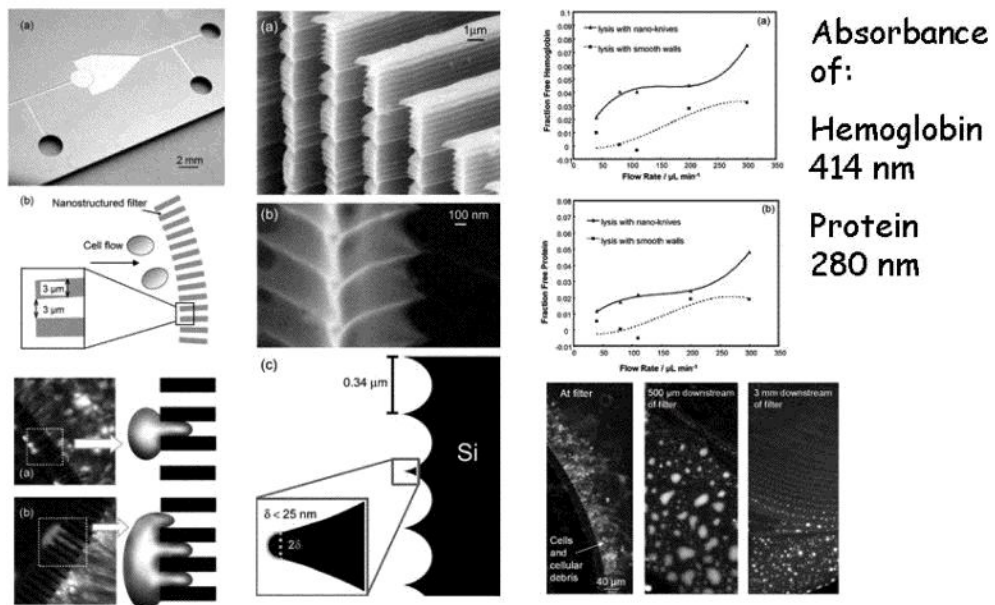
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## 6.5. Future developments

# Cell information retrieval



*D. D. Carlo et al. / Lab Chip, 2003, 3, 287-291*

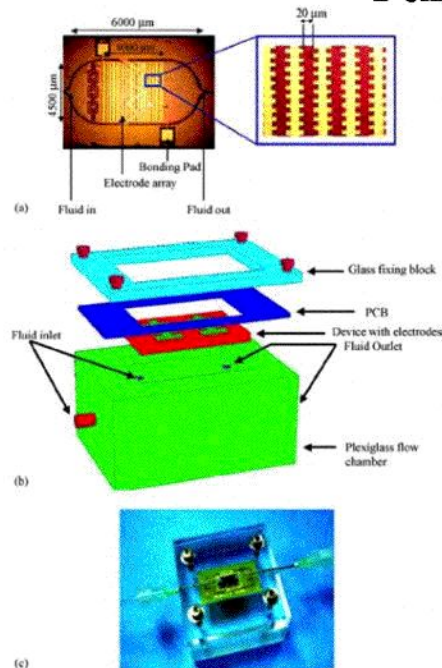
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# Parallel single cell processors



- High through-put, e.g., simultaneous cell lysis by electroporation
- Higher sensitivity in biomarker diagnostics by integrated single cell lysis and on-line signal amplification (PCR).

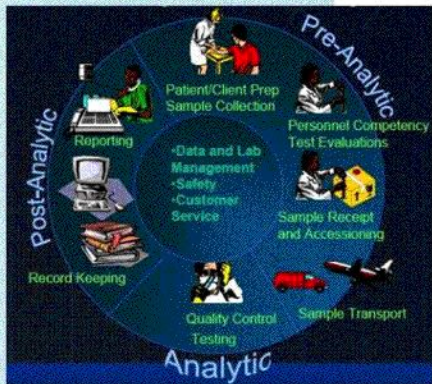
*Q. Ramadan et al. / Sensors and Actuators B xxx (2005) xxx-xxx*

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## Summary



- The last decade has been marked by a boom in the number and variety of microtechnologies in life science.
- By focusing on predicting patient outcomes, targeted medicine, earlier disease detection and more advanced automation, diagnostics will secure considerable market growth potential.
- “Lab-on-a-Chips” are key technology to feed this market potential.
- The aim is to strive for closed-loop treatment systems (drug delivery and monitoring) which includes sample retrieval, preparation and analysis on one platform.

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