Wearable Electrochemical Sensors:  
Toward Biochemical Lab on the Body

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Abstract

Wearable sensors have received a major recent attention owing to their considerable promise for monitoring the wearer’s health and wellness [1,2]. These devices have the potential to continuously and non-invasively collect vital health information from a person’s body and provide this information in a timely fashion. This presentation will discuss our recent efforts toward filling the gaps toward obtaining biochemical information, beyond that given by common wrist-watch mobility trackers. Such real-time molecular information is achieved using advanced wearable electrochemical biosensors integrated directly on the epidermis or within the mouth. The fabrication and applications of such wearable electrochemical sensors will be described, along with their current status and future prospects and challenges.

Biosketch

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