



RFID Technology for IoT-based Personal Healthcare in Smart Spaces

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Movement Detection of Human Body Segments
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In Evidence

Introducing
RADIO6ENSE
The last meters of Internet of Things

The positive interaction of the classic Electromagnetics with the Materials Science, Computer Science, Sensors, Medicine, Mechanics and Electronics may originate the **Pervasive Electromagnetics**, a cross-discipline with the potentiality to provide the physical layer of the emerging **Internet of Things** that enables the Internet to get into the Real World of physical objects. Things equipped with electronic labels, having both identification and sensing capability, could be turned into digital entities readable from remote. The Radiofrequency Identification (**RFID**) technology offers the natural substrate to achieve such features, provided that the basic physics governing the sensing and electromagnetic interaction phenomena is fully exploited. Thanks to multidisciplinary research, the **Pervasive Electromagnetics Lab** aims to develop new radio devices for short-range sensing, ready to be seamlessly embedded into

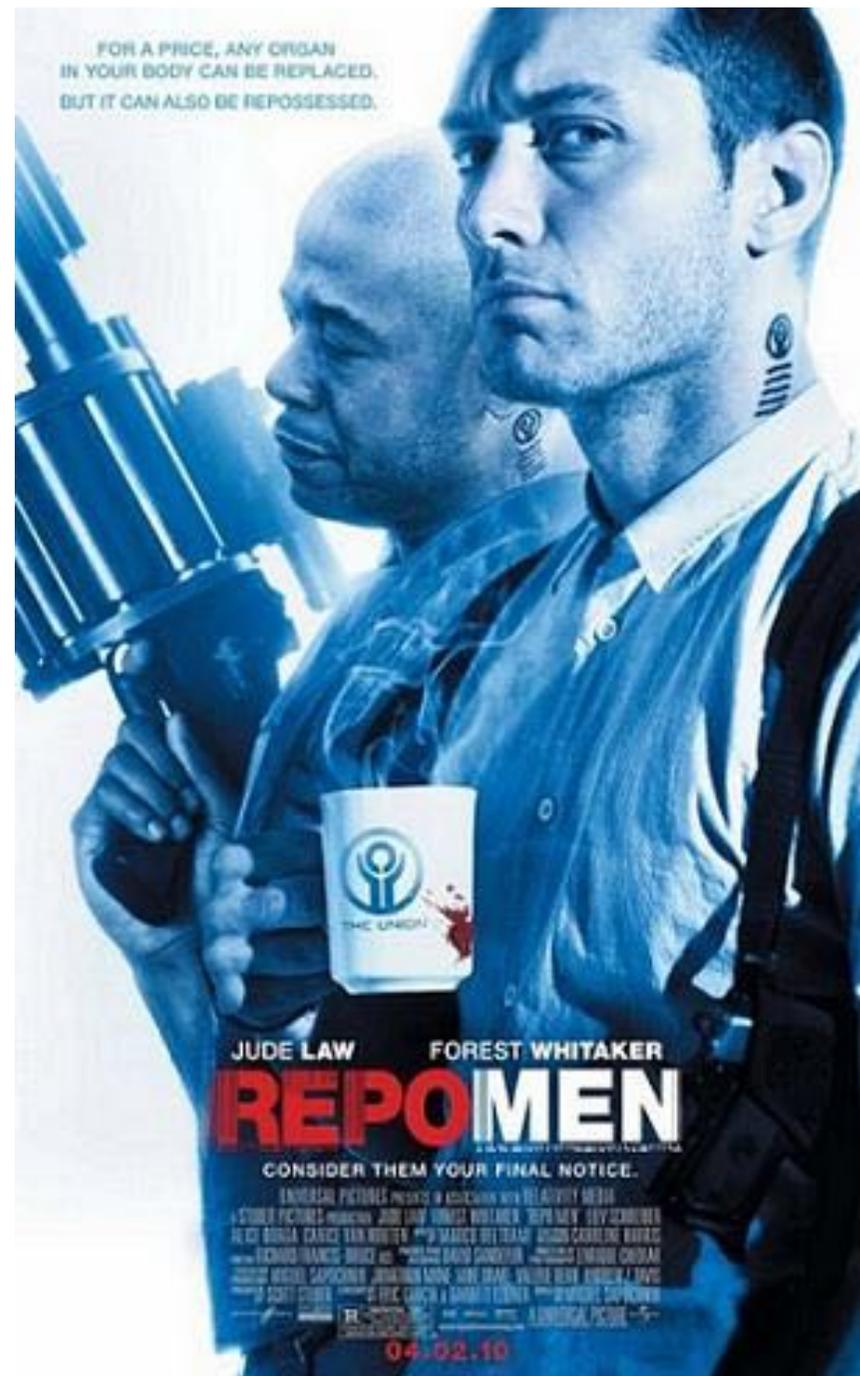
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Wearable and Flexible Antennas
our chapter in the new book

Pervasive Em



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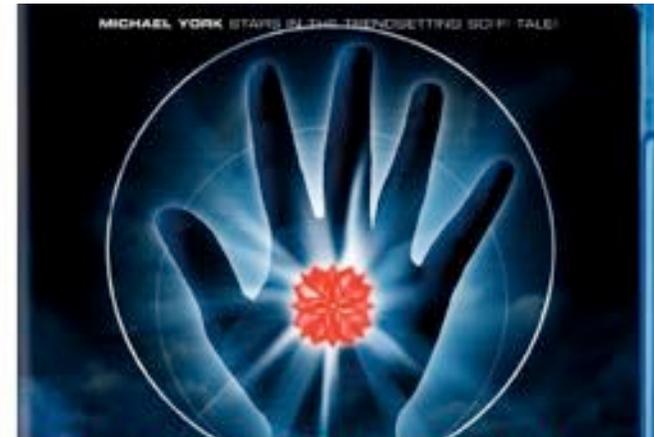
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Logan's Run

(1976)



Self tracking (I-health)

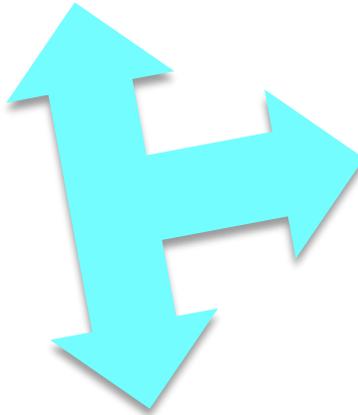


Pervasive Healthcare systems (Smart home)

Context-aware systems

Body sensors

- motion
- ECG
- Evolution of pathologies

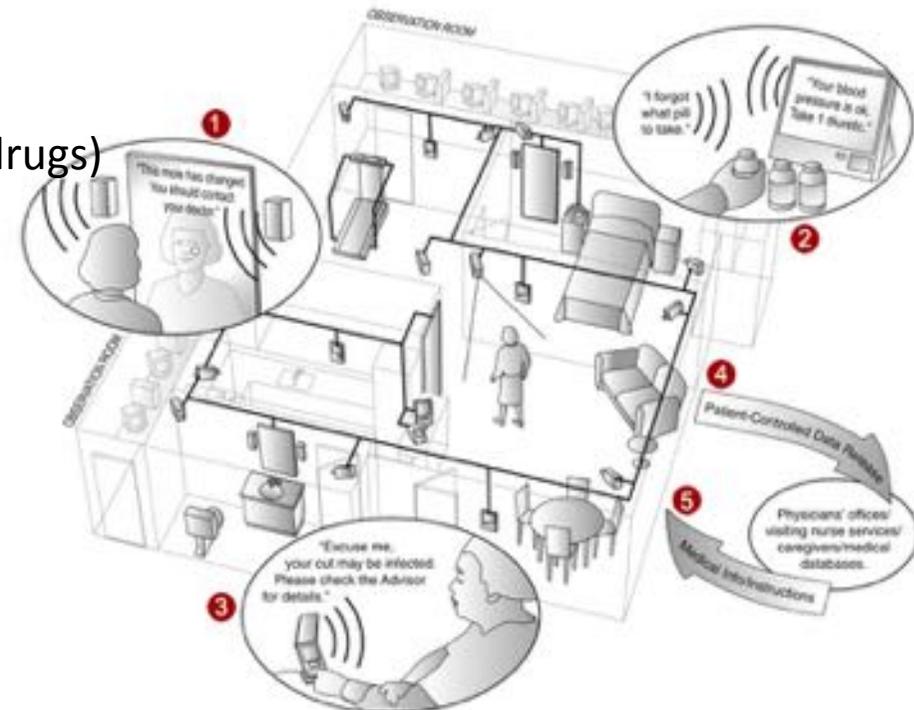


Smart Objects

- Localization
- Quality (food, drugs)

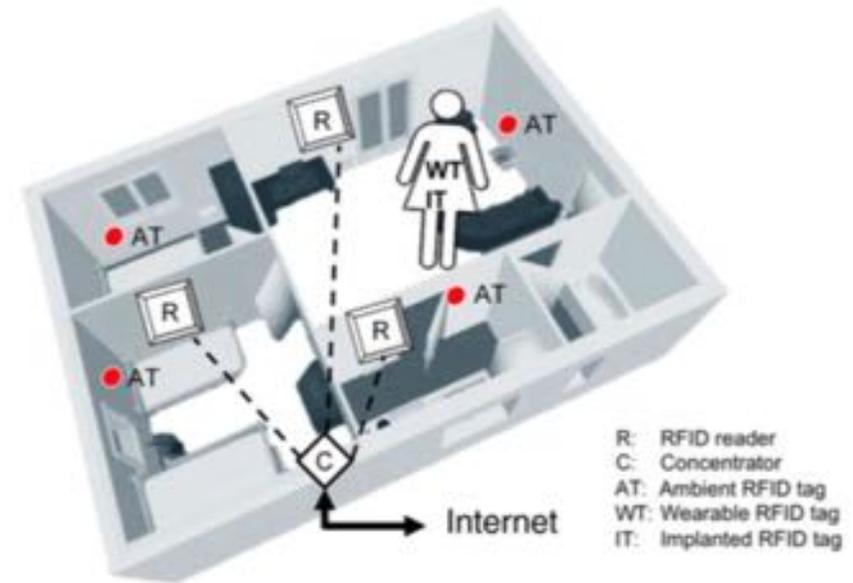
Smart House

- temperature
- Gas
- Structural safety
- localization systems

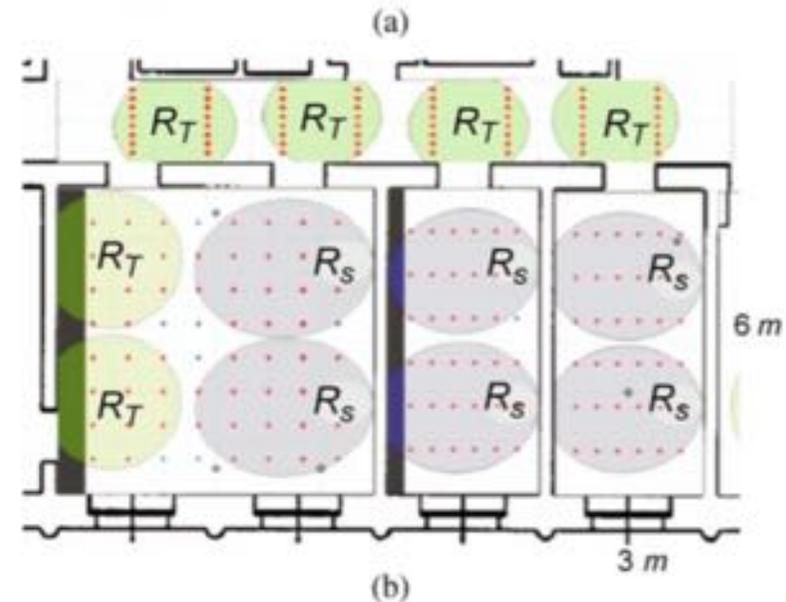


Human-environment interactions

(a) Sketch of an RFID-powered habitat with ambient tags (AT) attached over the walls and objects, wearable tags (WT), and implanted tags (IT) placed over and inside the human body, one or more RFID readers (R) scanning the rooms and a wireless concentrator (C) capable to pack the collected data for in-house processing and/or for internet streaming.



(b) Example of RFID coverage [2] of a home-portion by a multiplicity of readers' antennas placed at the walls' side (R_S) and over the top ceiling (R_T).



Batteryless ..

- Sensors could be requested to operate for months or even years
- Battery replacement or recharging needed
- Additional man-power
- Pollution
- **Energy-Harvesting required**



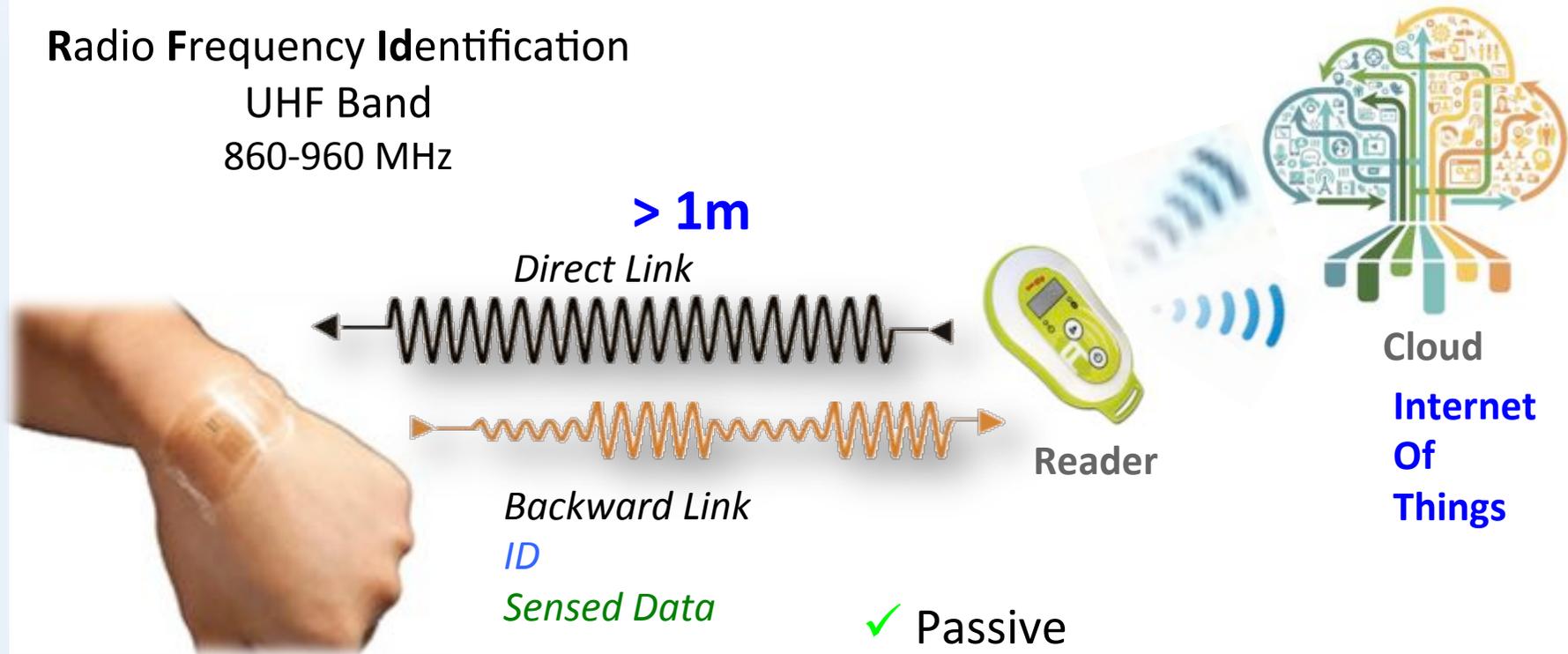
Wireless remote powering by electromagnetic waves



UHF-RFID Technology

Radio Frequency Identification

UHF Band
860-960 MHz



Bodycentric Sensor-Tags



UHF Antenna



IC

- ✓ Passive
- ✓ Remote Reading
- ✓ Easy integration
- ✓ Communication & Sensing



Power-less Sensors for Pervasive Healthcare



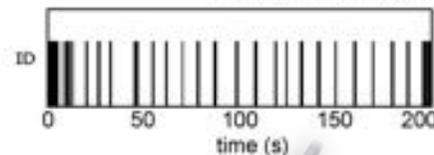
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(motion and stress)



2. Epidermal sensors
(temperature monitoring))

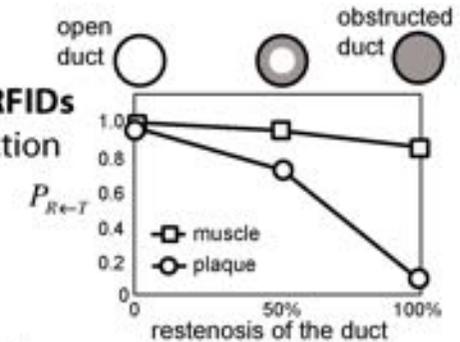
Implanted RFIDs
brain edema monitoring

Wearable RFIDs
breath detection

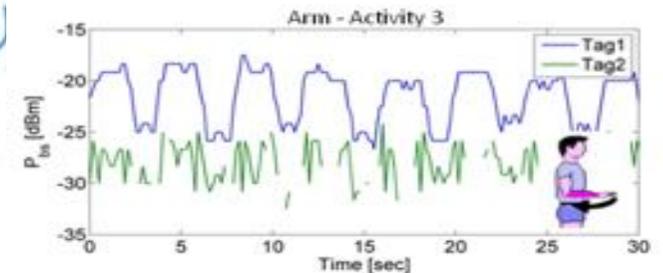
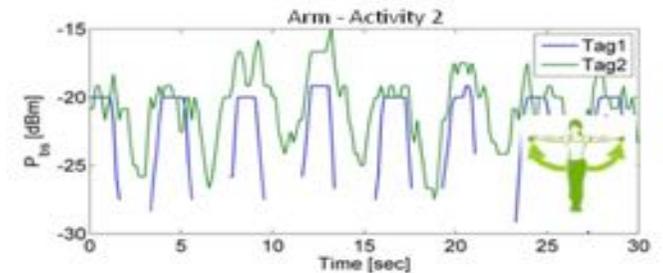


3. Implantable sensors
(vascular monitoring, prosthesis)

Implanted RFIDs
duct obstruction



Wearable RFIDs
limb motion



Outline

Bodycentric RFID Devices

- wearable
- epidermal
- implantable

RFID-IoT Systems

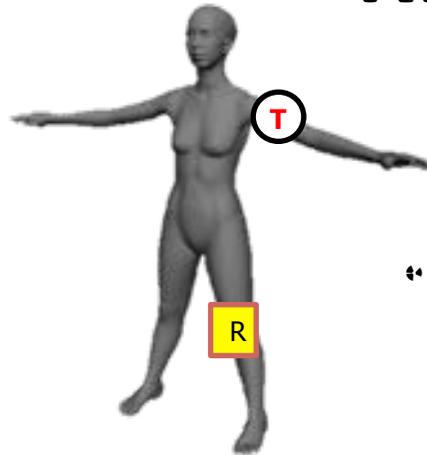
- Motion detection and gesture recognition
- Continuous and on-flight temperature monitoring
- Human-things interactions



Bodycentric RFIDs



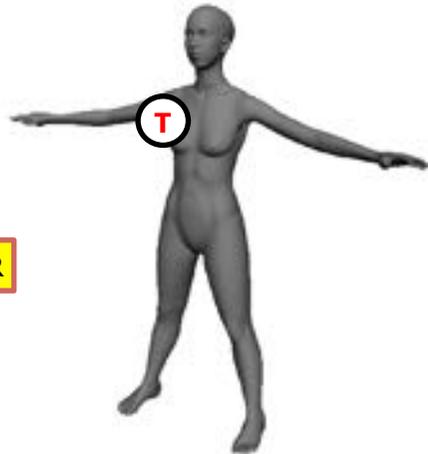
RFID-Bodycentric Systems



On-Body link

The reader's antenna is placed over the body

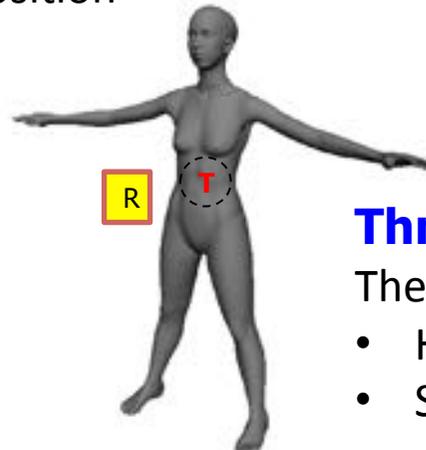
- Activity and shadowing effect
- Exposure limit



Off-Body link

The reader placed far from the body

- Reading range in real scenario
- Environmental influence
- Position



Through-the-Body link

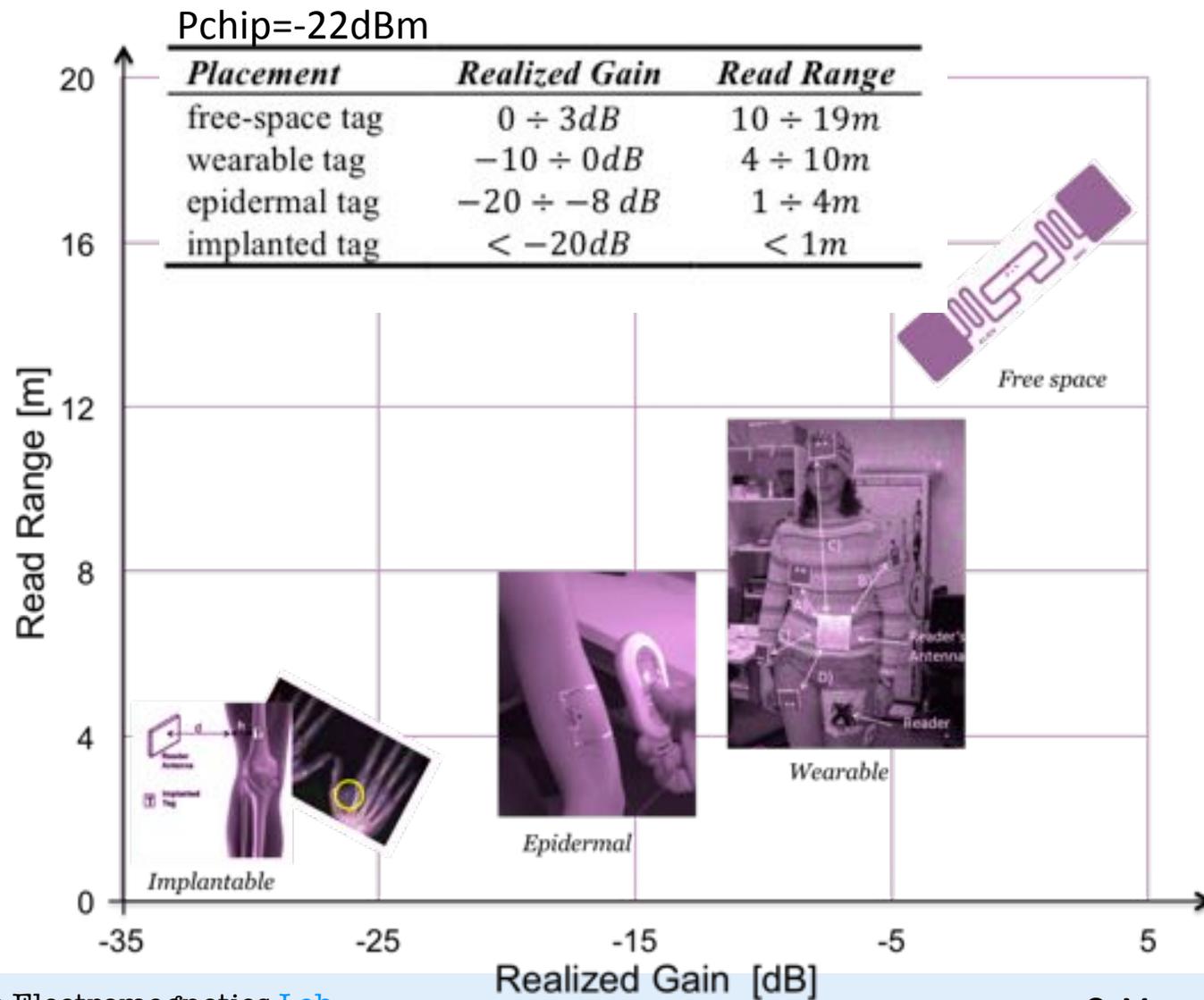
The tag is implanted

- High loss
- Small read ranges

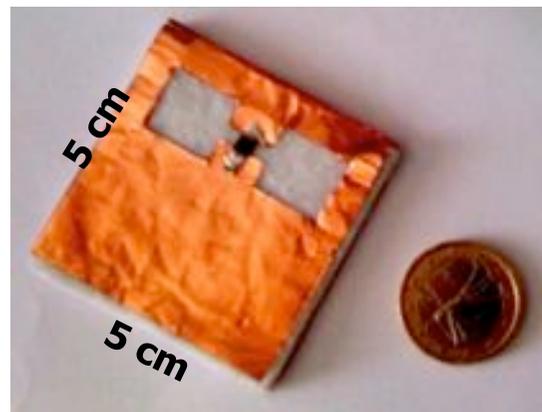
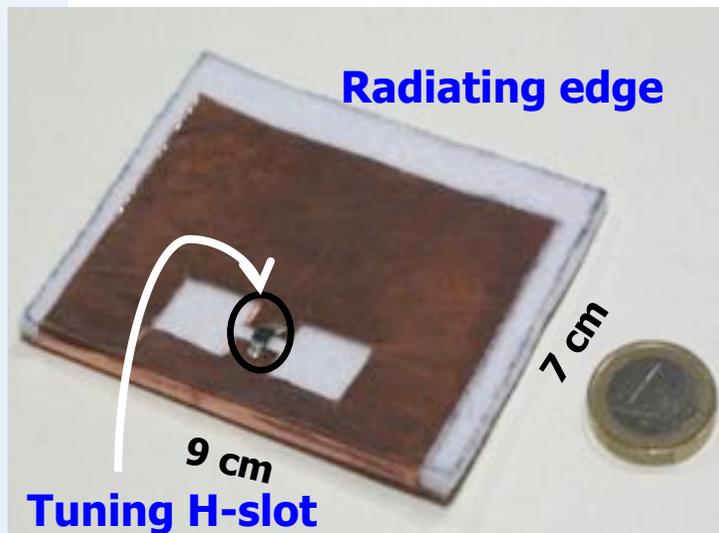


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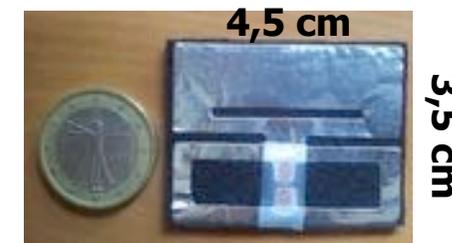
- Read ranges



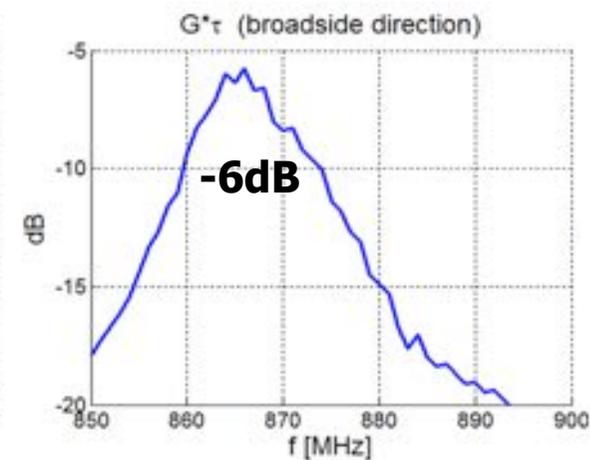
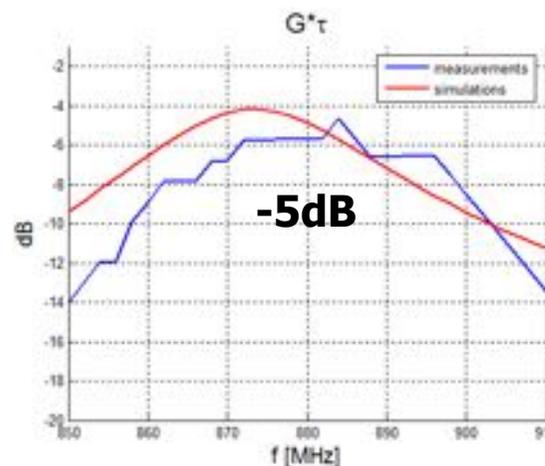
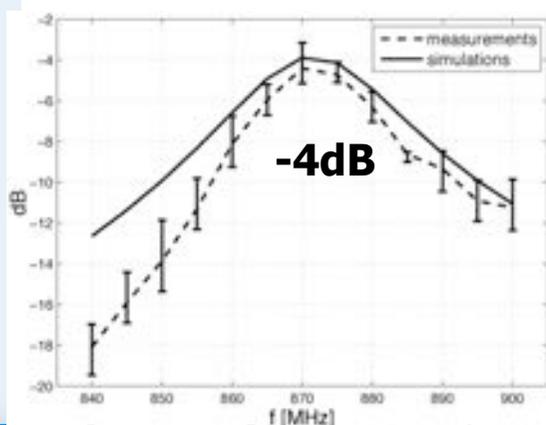
Wearable textile RFID Tags



Felt substrate

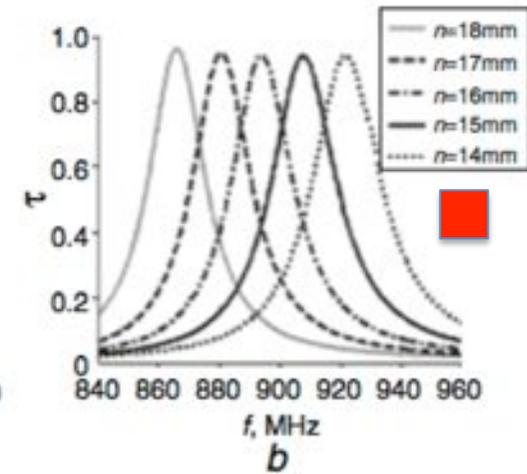
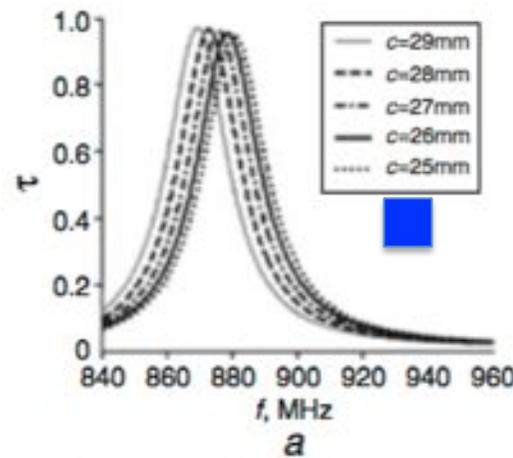
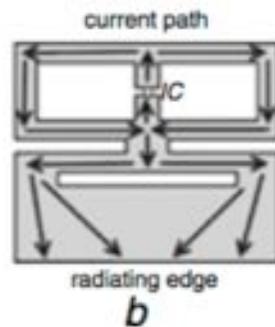
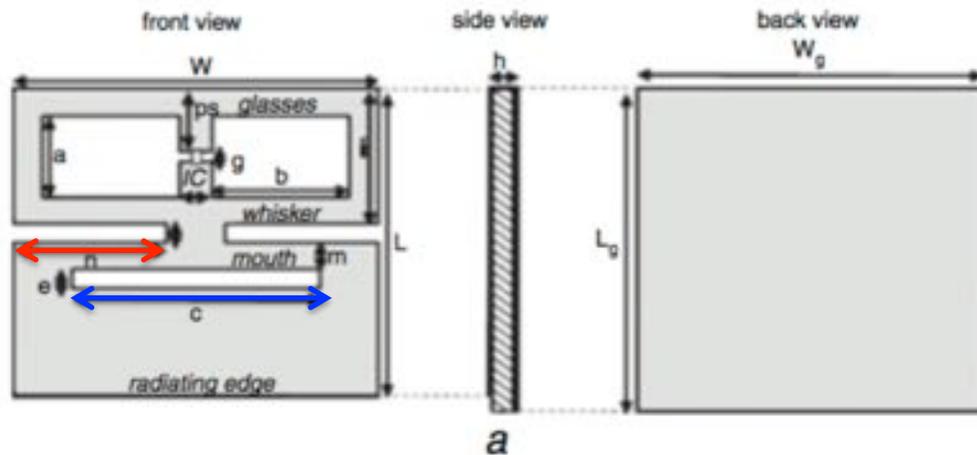


EPDM (Ethylene-Propylene Diene Monomer)



Observation: Normal incidence

Wearable textile RFID Tags *tuning*



Miniaturized wearable UHF-RFID tag with tuning capability

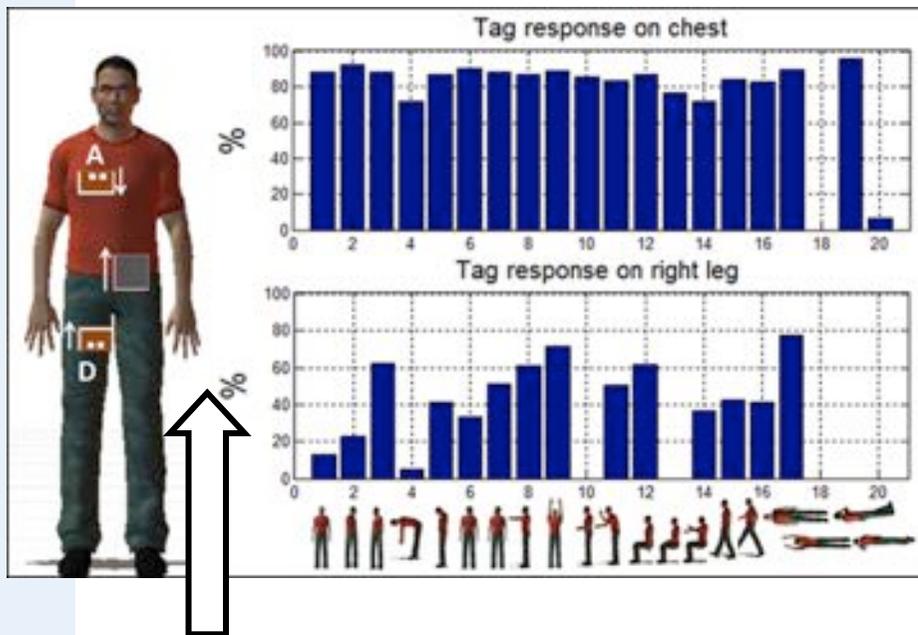
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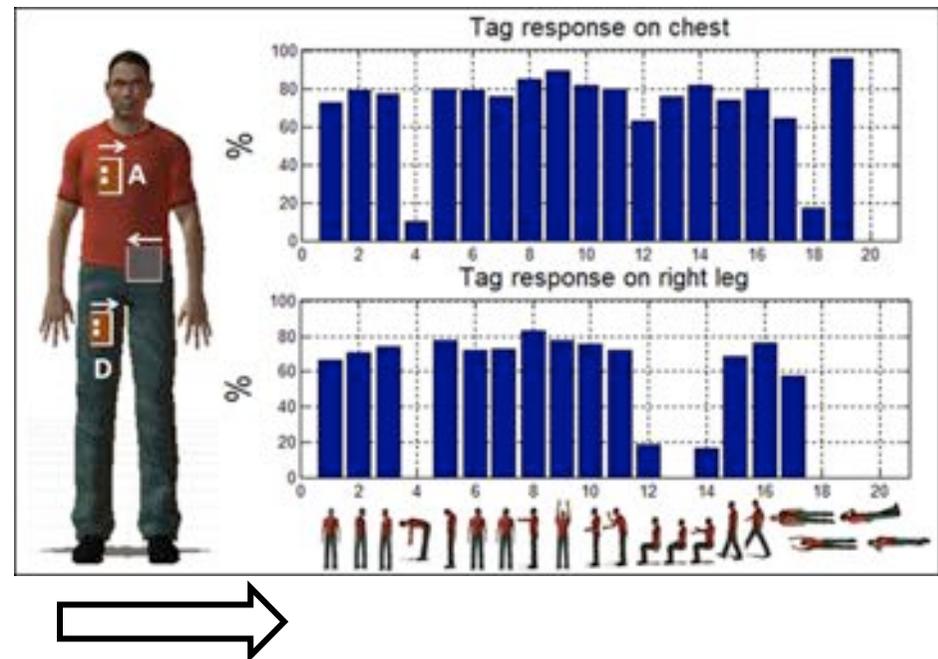
On-body RFID link

Pin=200 dBm/10

Vertical Polarization



Horizontal Polarization

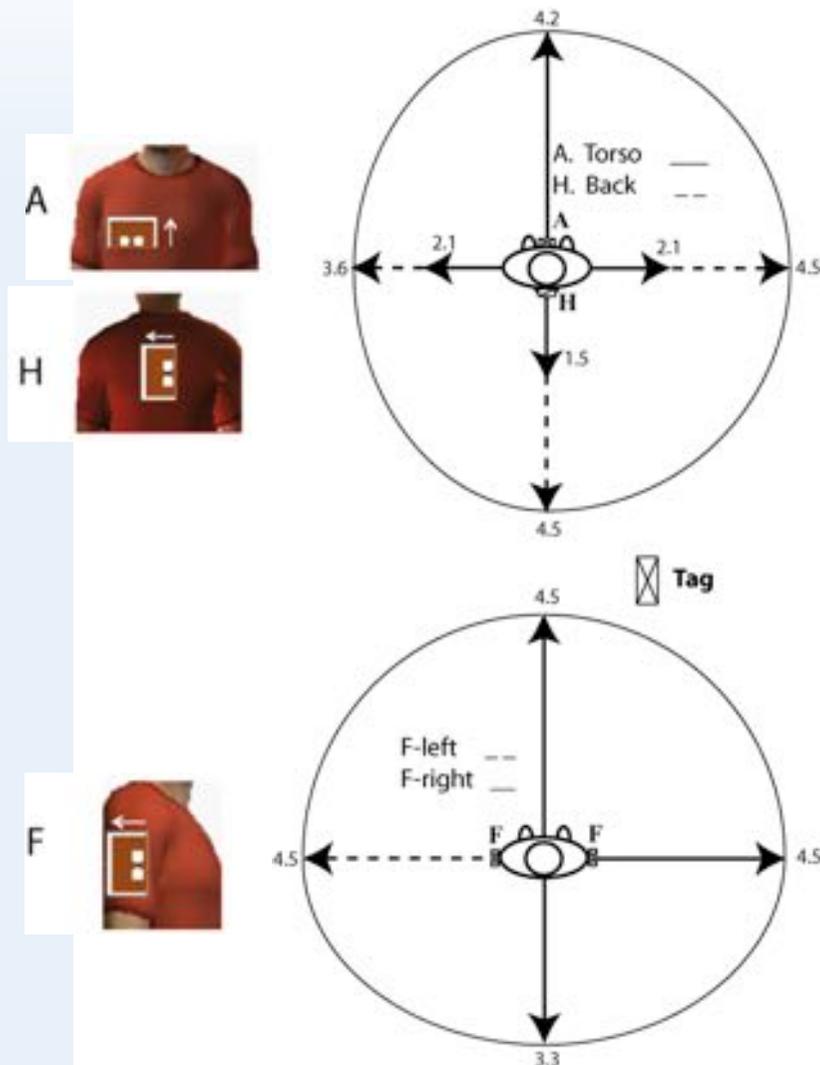


The tag on the chest is almost always visible except for one lying position



Off-body RFID link

- Real scenario



S. Manzari, C. Occhiuzzi, G. Marrocco, "Feasibility of Bodycentric Passive RFID Systems by Using Textile Tags" to appear on IEEE Antennas Propagat. Magazine Aug. 2012



- Two tags properly placed enable a robust monitoring in a 4x3 m room
- **Chip Sensitivity -15dBm**
- No shadowing effects during normal activity



Off-body: Dense readings



12 persons closely standing into **1m x 1m** square. The reader is suspended on the ceiling



[-> VIDEO](#)



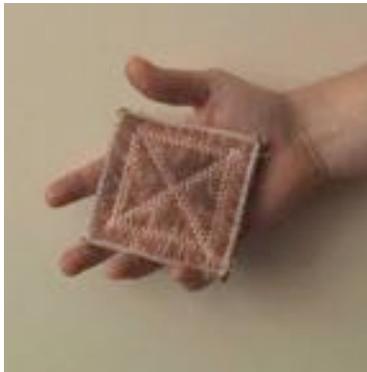
Epidermal tags



From Wearable to ...



Samsung introduces
its first wearable glove,
Samsung Fingers



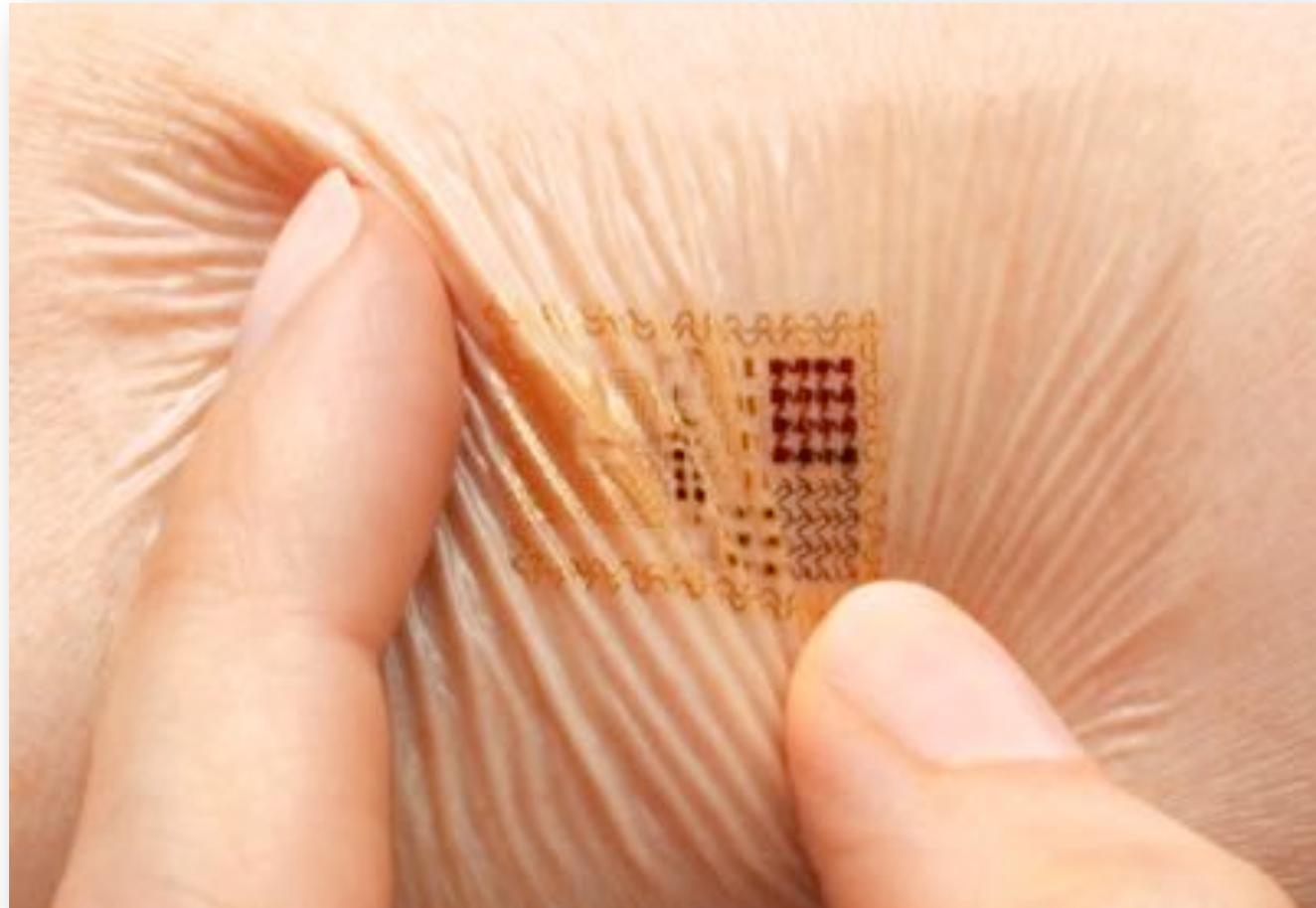
Huge scientific and industrial growth in the last decade



... to Bio-integrated Electronics

KEYWORDS

- Skin
- Epidermal
- Flexible
- Stretchable
- Temporary
- Dissolvable
- Bio-absorbable



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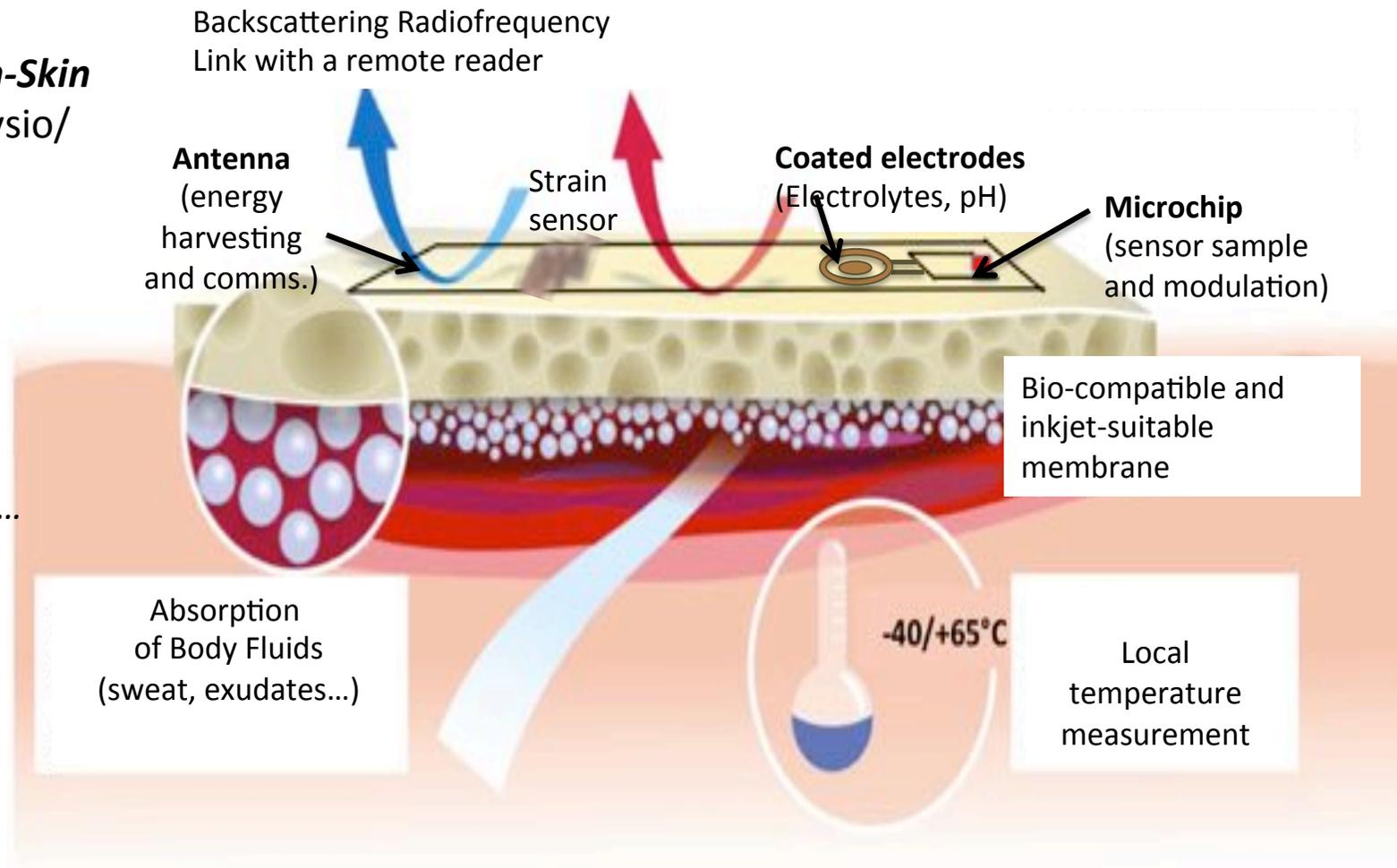


Concept: Smart Plasters

- lab on skin

Unobtrusive **On-Skin** sampling of physio/ pathological parameters:

- *Temperature*
- *Hydration*
- *PH*
- *Strain*
- *Biopotentials...*



- Multi-sensors
- Sensor + Actuators (controlled drugs delivery)



Epidermal Electronics and EM community

Tissue-Thin Electronics That Float on the Breeze

By Eliza Strickland
Posted 26 Jul 2013 | 15:26 GMT

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Researcher Takao Someya has just unveiled an ultra-thin, ultra-flexible sheet of electronics that can stick to your skin and still works no matter how you bend, twist, or stretch your body.

By integrating sensors into the electronics, Someya says this lightweight material could be used for a host of medical applications, including instruments that

Hacking the Human OS > Reading the Code > Sensors

A Temporary Tattoo That Senses Through Your Skin

The Biostamp can replace today's clunky biomedical sensors

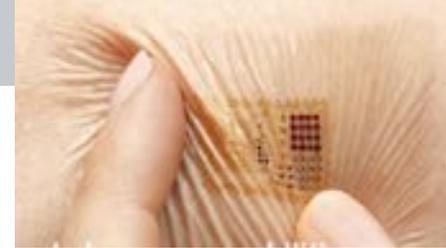
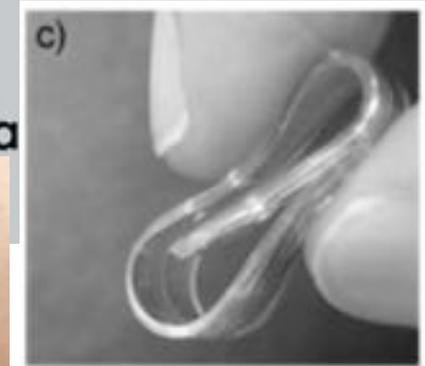
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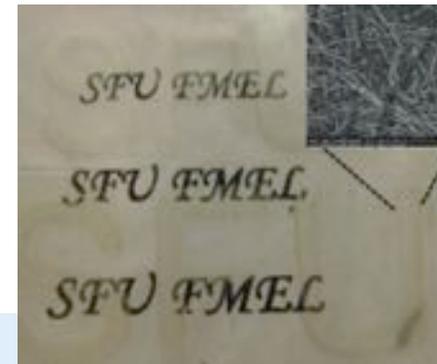
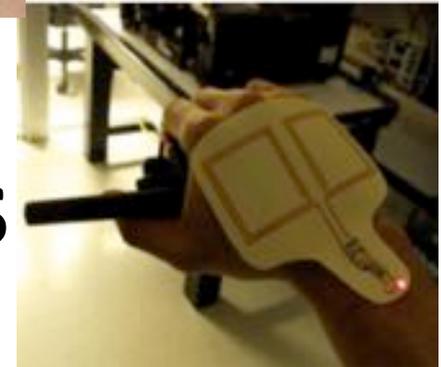


Antennas and Sensors for Epidermal Electronics

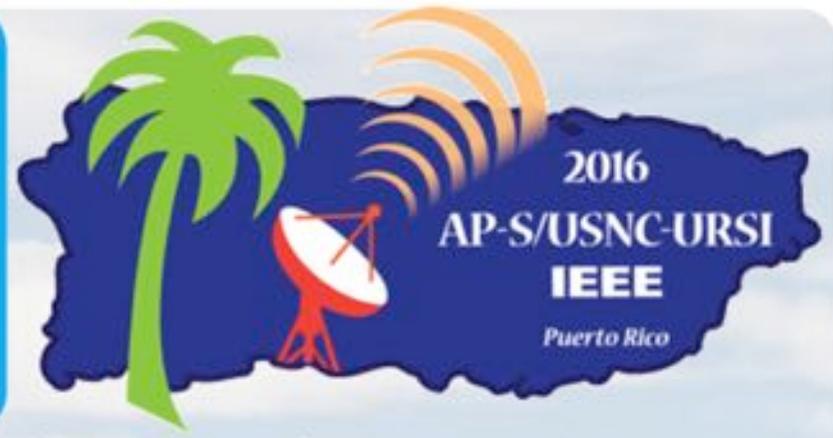
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- Mm-Wave Antenna Arrays and Massive MIMO
- Antenna Design/Analysis Based on Characteristic Modes
- **Electromagnetic Skins: Epidermal Antennas, Flexible and Stretchable Antennas, Sensing Substrates**
- Metamaterials in Industry
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Electromagnetic Skins:

Epidermal Antennas, Flexible and Stretchable Antennas, Sensing Substrates

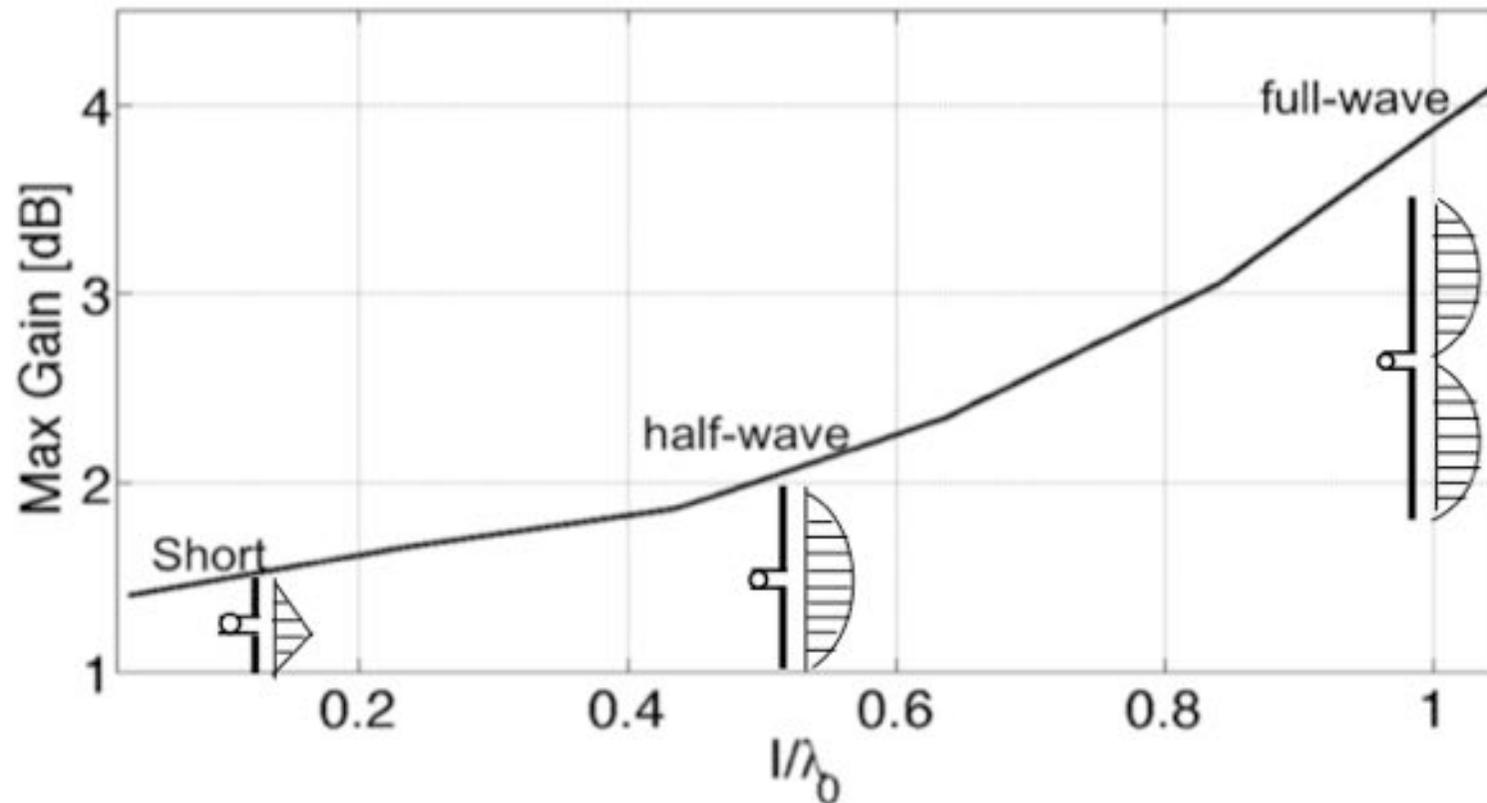


Challenges of Epidermal UHF-RFID Tags

- Tag has to play as sensor and hence **the antenna is at close touch with the body** (very thin or no insulating substrate)
- High loss** and modest antenna performance: proper selection of antenna layout. Unlike wearable applications, patch antenna are not useful
- Human Variability**: broadband and/or possible on-body retuning
- Transfer modality of the Tag
- Bio-compatibility** and **transpiration**
- Deformation - immunity**



Optimal UHF antennas for Epidermal Tags



S. Amendola, G. Marrocco, "Optimal Performance of Epidermal Antennas for UHF Radiofrequency Identification ", IEEE Trans. Antennas and Propagat, under review
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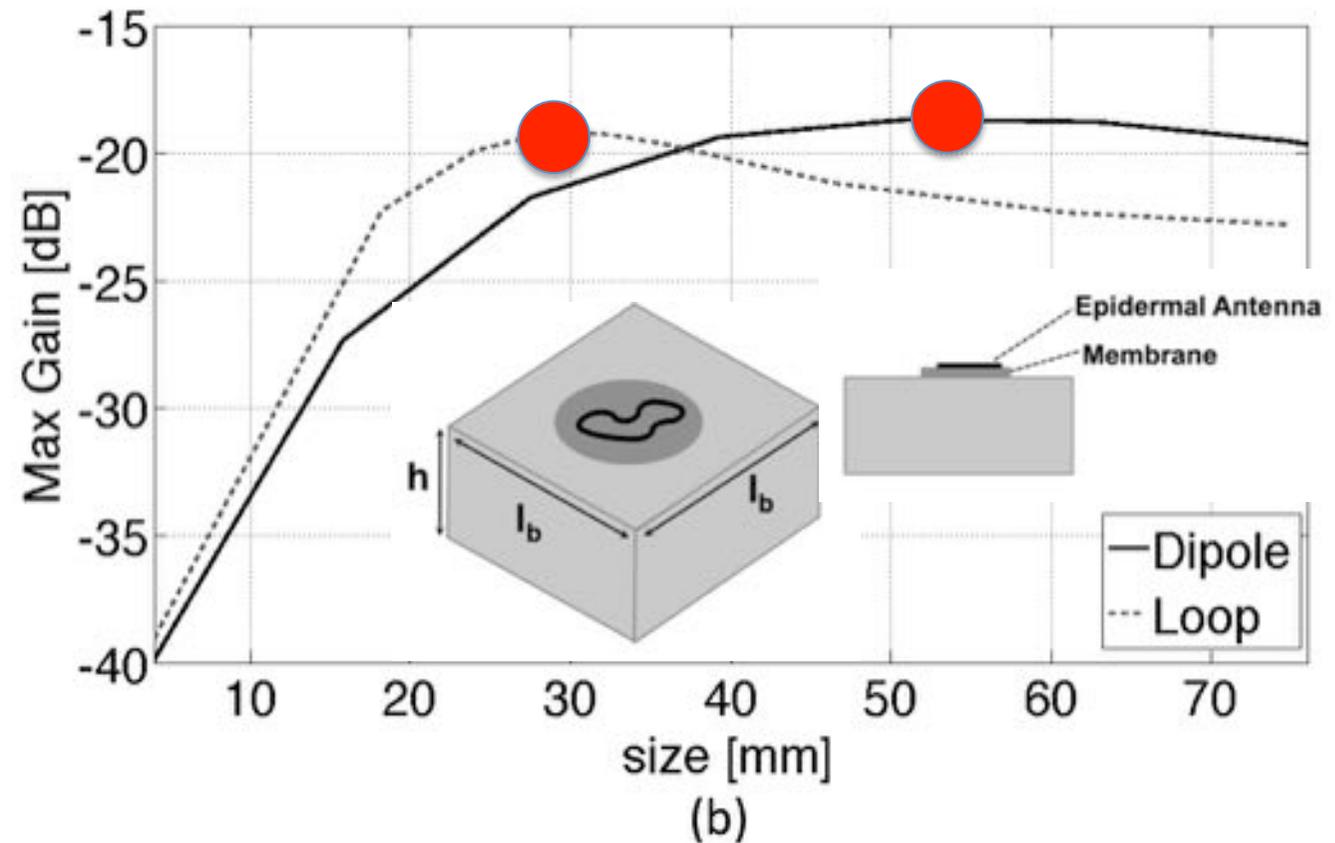


Optimal UHF antennas for Epidermal Tags

Two counteracting phenomena for Skin Antennas:

The initial increase in the gain is mostly due to the increase in the radiation resistance, which is proportional to the overall length of the antenna.

Further enlargements of the antenna produce more intense dissipation of power into the conductors and the surrounding tissues, because of the high conductivity of the hosting medium, which dominates radiation.



→ Optimal size of antennas over the skin



Optimal UHF antennas for Epidermal Tags

Which is the best shape for the antenna ?

- gain
- size
- amount of copper

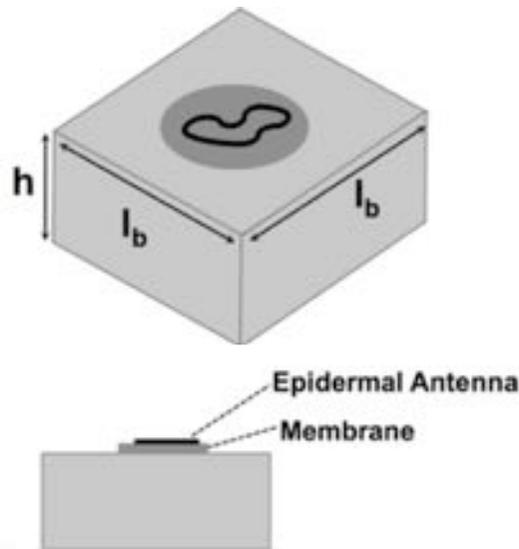
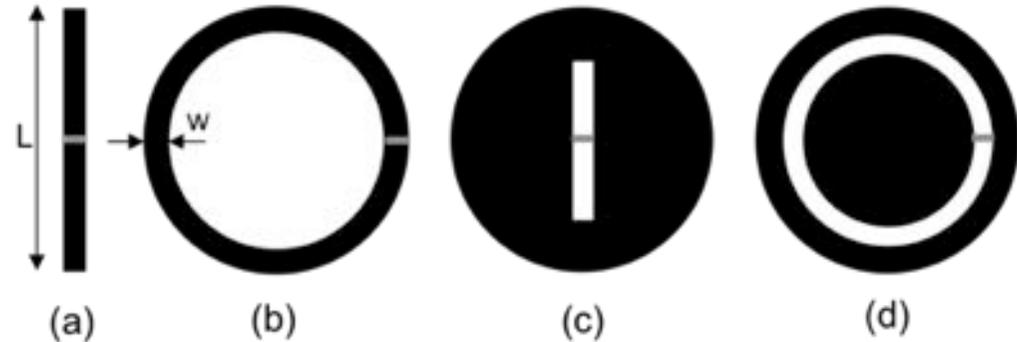
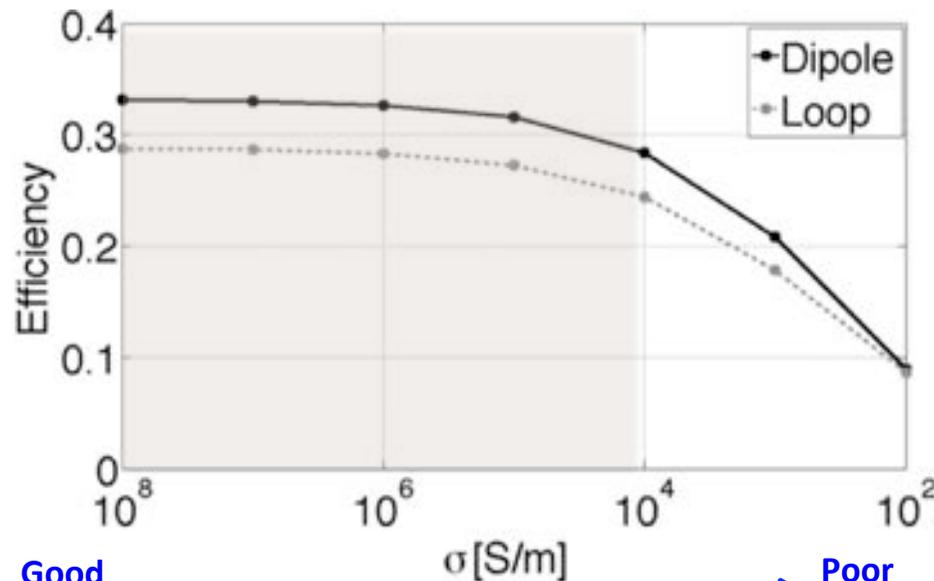


Table I
ELECTROMAGNETIC PERFORMANCE AND GEOMETRICAL PARAMETERS AT 870 MHz OF THE REFERENCE EPIDERMAL ANTENNAS

| Antenna | η [%] | G [dB] | L_{opt} [cm] | A_{metal} [cm ²] |
|---------|------------|--------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| | 0.3 | -18.7 | 5 | 0.5 |
| ○ | 0.3 | -19.1 | 3 | 0.9 |
| ● | 0.3 | -19.4 | 6 | 27.6 |
| ◎ | 0.2 | -19.5 | 8 | 46.7 |



Performance vs. trace conductivity



50 × 1 mm dipole

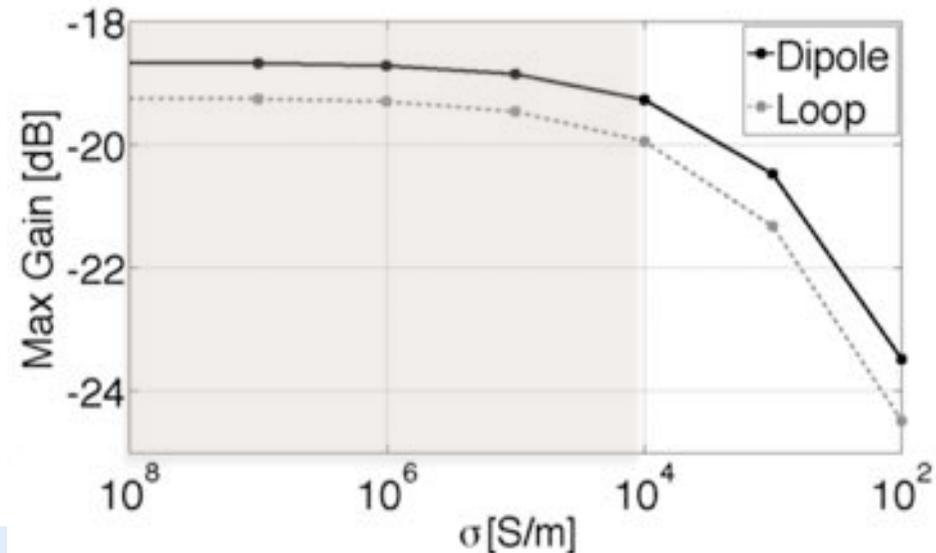
30 × 1mm loop

f=870 MHz

Good conductor \leftarrow Variable trace conductivity \rightarrow Poor conductor

Antenna conductivity is a second-order parameter !!

- No variation in the radiation performance for $\sigma > 10^4$ S/m
- even by reducing the conductivity down to $\sigma = 1000$ S/m, the gain drops by less than 2 dB



Low-Cost Inkjet Printing

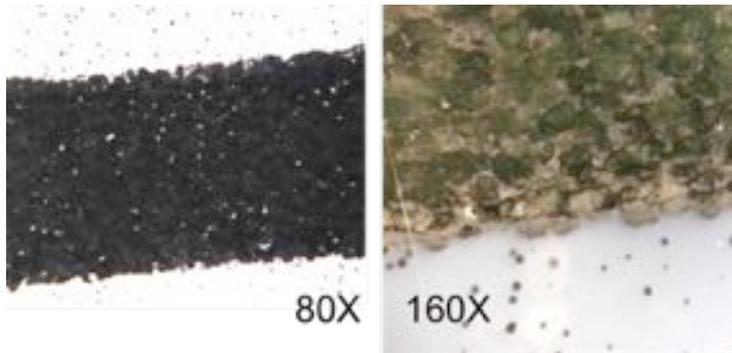
Desktop printer



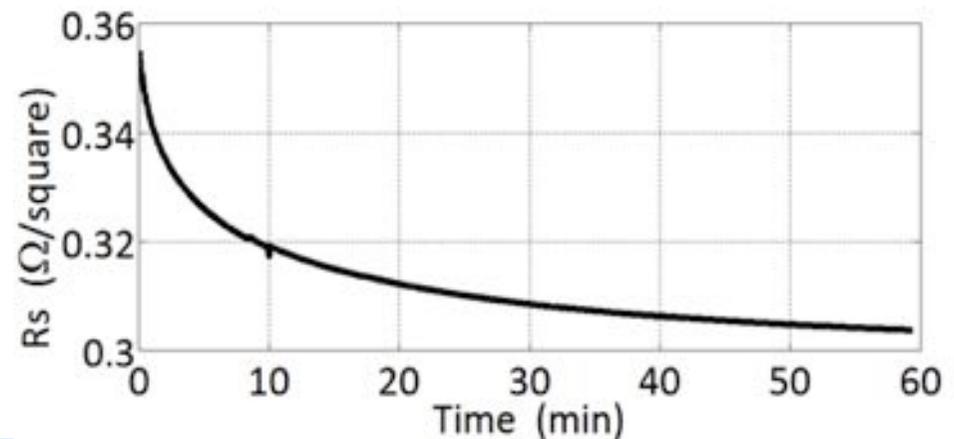
Ink Properties

- Water-based, RoHS compliant
- Particle size average: 20nm
- Ag solid content: 10 - 20wt%
- Ethylene glycol content: 10 - 40wt%
- Viscosity: < 10 cps
- Surface tension: 25 - 35 mN/m
- Density: 1.2 - 1.3 grams/ml
- Jetting properties: excellent
- Designed for fast curing
- Minimal VOC
- Easy cleanup

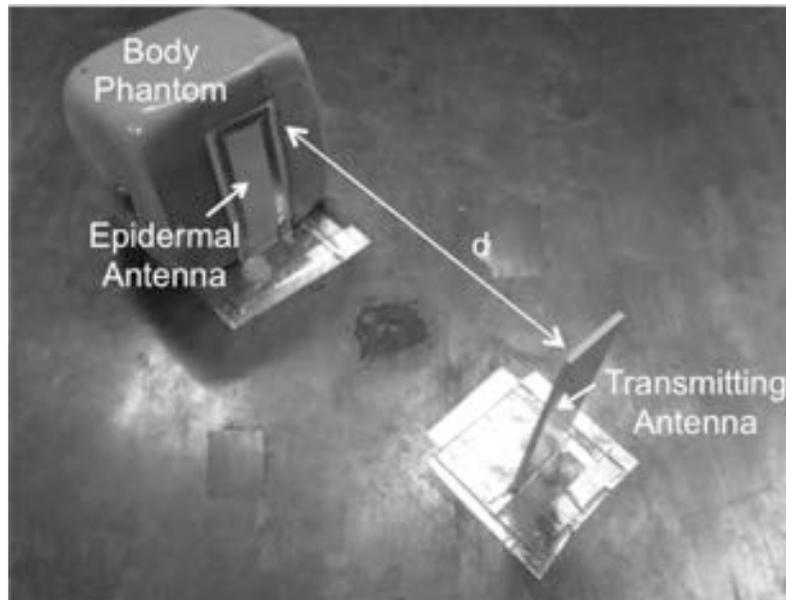
Ag Nano-ink



**Self-Sintering at room temperature
after 20min**



Experimentations: Optimal length



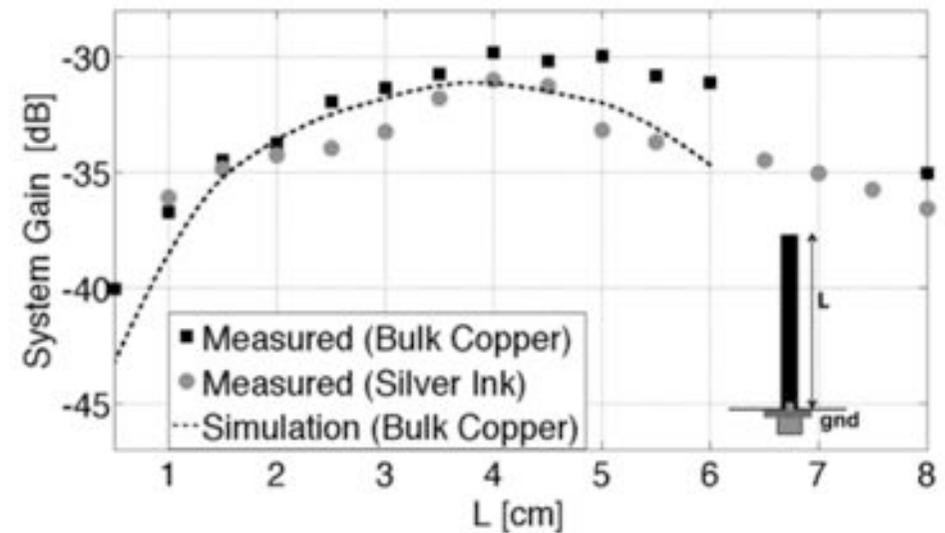
System Gain

Maximum power deliverable to the epidermal antenna load

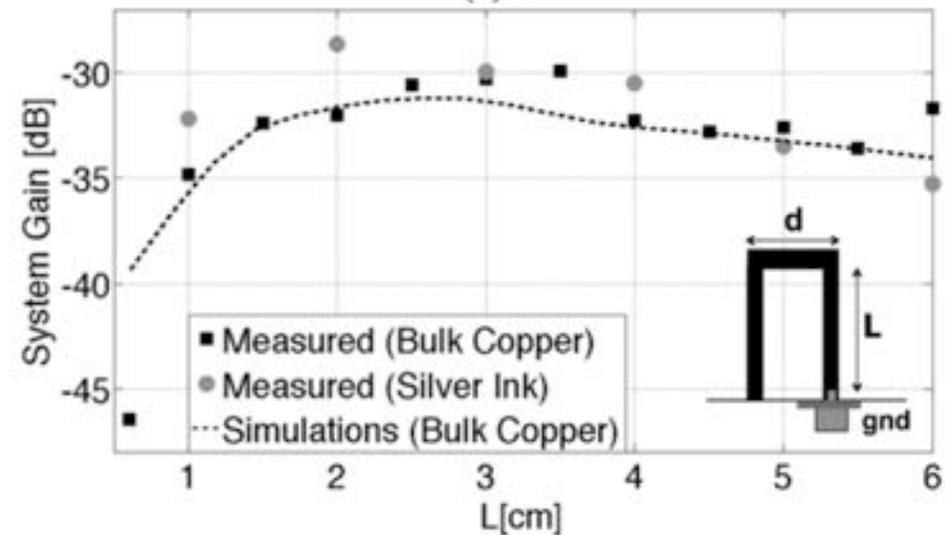
$$g = \frac{P_{out,av}}{P_{in}}$$

Power entering into the TX antenna

$$g = \frac{|S_{21}|^2}{(1 - |S_{11}|^2)(1 - |S_{22}|^2)}$$



(a)



Membranes for Skin Antennas

Thin-layer Band-aid - Silicone



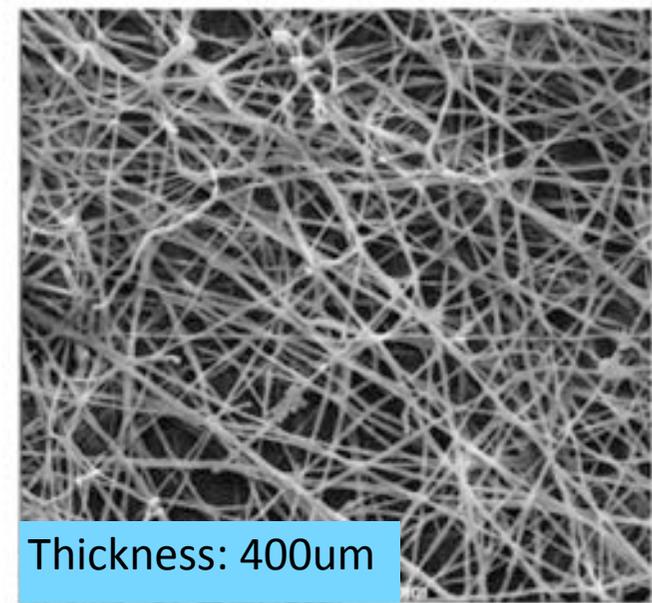
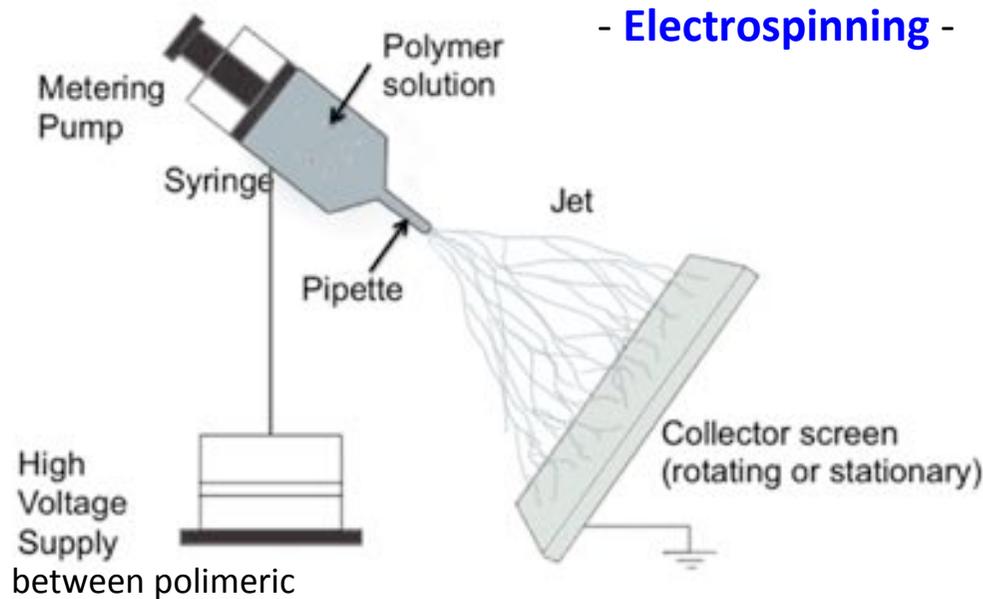
| Summary Table of Medical Grade Adhesives | | | |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Feature | Synthetic Rubber | Acrylate | Soft Silicone Gel |
| Peel Adhesion | High | Low to high | Low to medium |
| Sterilisation Compatibility | EtO, Gamma, Steam | EtO, Gamma, Steam | EtO |
| Breathability | Low | Tunable | Medium |
| Repositionability | × | × | ✓ |
| Initial Tack | Good | Low to high | Good |
| Skin Trauma on Removal | High | Medium | Low |

Table 1: Summary table of the features of synthetic rubber PSA, acrylate PSA and soft silicone adhesive gel.



Membranes for Skin Antennas

Scaffold - Poli ϵ -Caprolactone (PCL)



Semi-crystalline bio-readsorbable membrane with slow degrading rate due to its hydrophobic nature and high crystallinity degree.

Produced by Electrospinning techniques (dense non-woven micro and/or nano-fibrous fabrics)

Flexible and stretchable **scaffold**.
Natural transpiration

Possibility to be **functionalized**
with specific chemical receptors

Del Gaudio, Bianco et al, Wiley InterScience,2007.



Membranes for Skin Antennas

Hydrogel



Figure 20. PVA/XG membranes under test having different compositions.

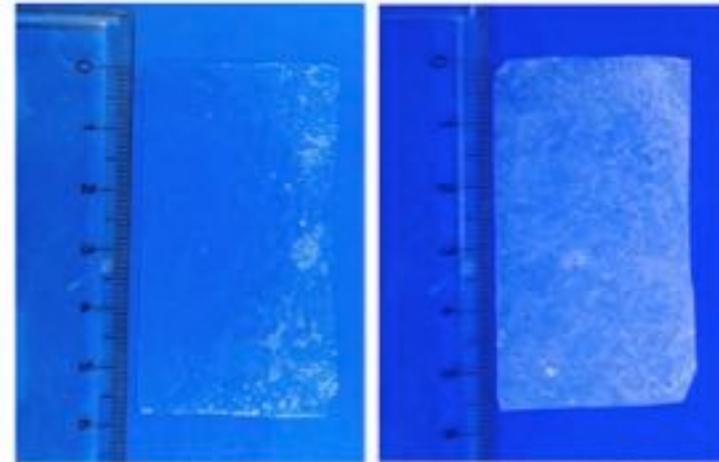


Figure 21. Samples of the fabricated hydrogel membrane. Left) Swollen; Right) Dried

An hydrogel membrane is a stretchable substrate made of a **polyvinyl alcohol/xyloglucan (PVA/XG)**. **Polyvinyl alcohol is a biocompatible synthetic polymer** while Xyloglucan is a hemicellulose that occurs in the primary cell wall of every vascular plant.

PVA/XG membranes **are able to absorb body fluids** (such as wound exudates) **and release water and drugs**. Their structure hence undergoes swelling and drying processes according to the skin conditions being able to absorb in the specific case up to **40% of fluid**.



Membranes for Skin Antennas

Fibres-based Dressing



Carboxy methyl cellulose (CMC)

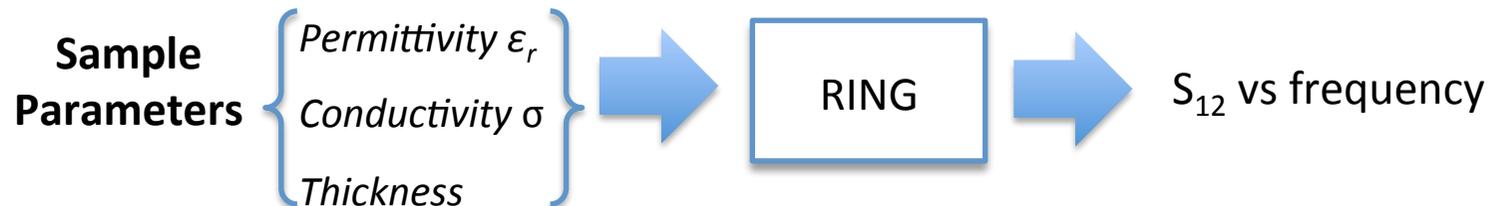
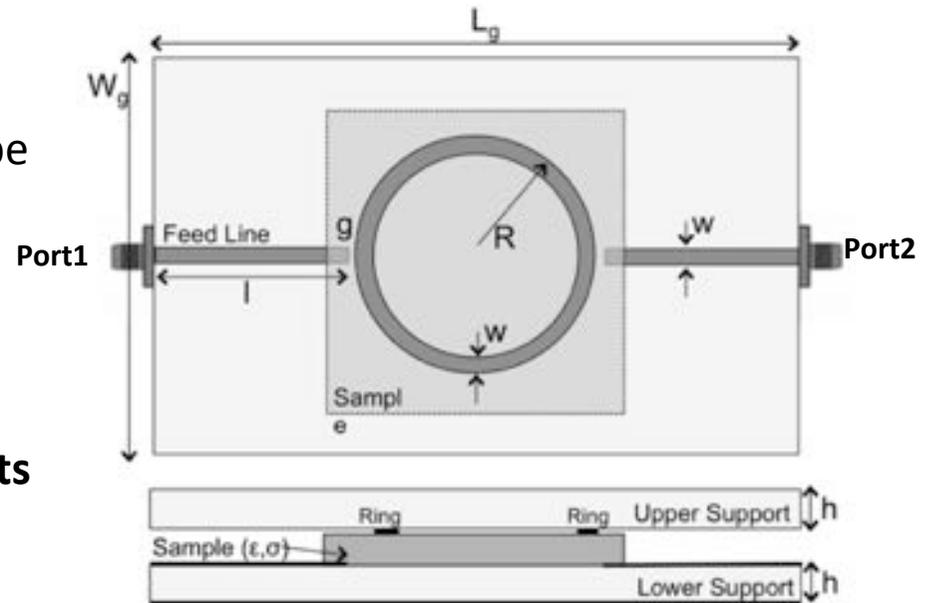
Huge liquid Absorption



Membrane characterization Dielectric Meter

Suspended-Ring Resonator:¹

- Not disruptive method
- Good flexibility in terms of size/shape of the sample
- **Liquid and solid materials**
- No preliminary calibration with reference materials
- Possible **exposure to external agents** (liquid, gases and mechanical solicitations..): **time-variant sample** characterization.



I. Waldron, S.N. Makarov, S. Biederman, R. Ludwig, "Suspended Ring Resonator for Dielectric Constant Measurement of Foams," *Microwave and Wireless Components Letters, IEEE*, vol.16, no.9, pp.496-498, Sept. 2006



Parametric Identification

Experimental



Numerical



1. VNA Measurements

2. Features extraction

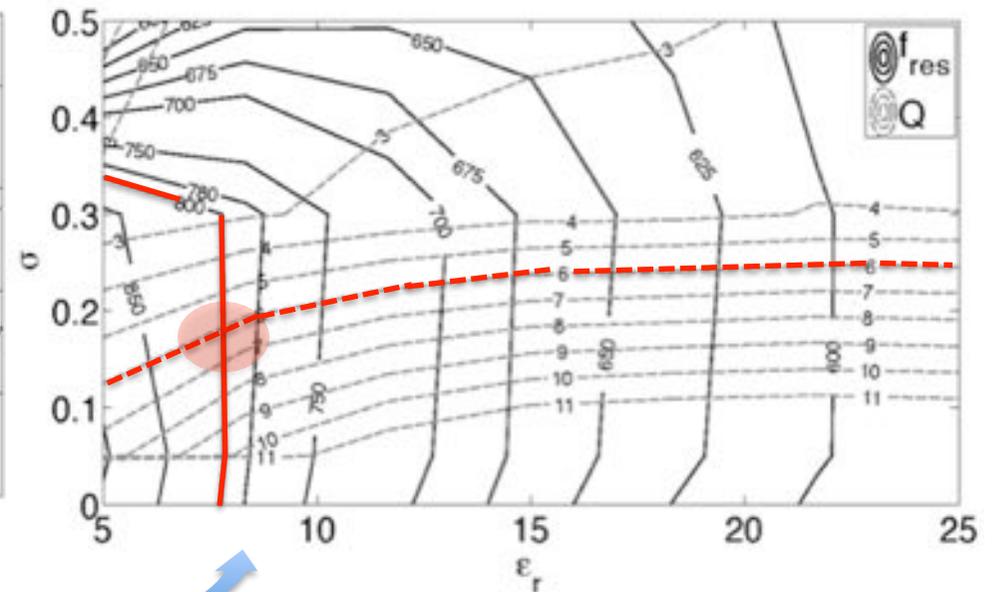
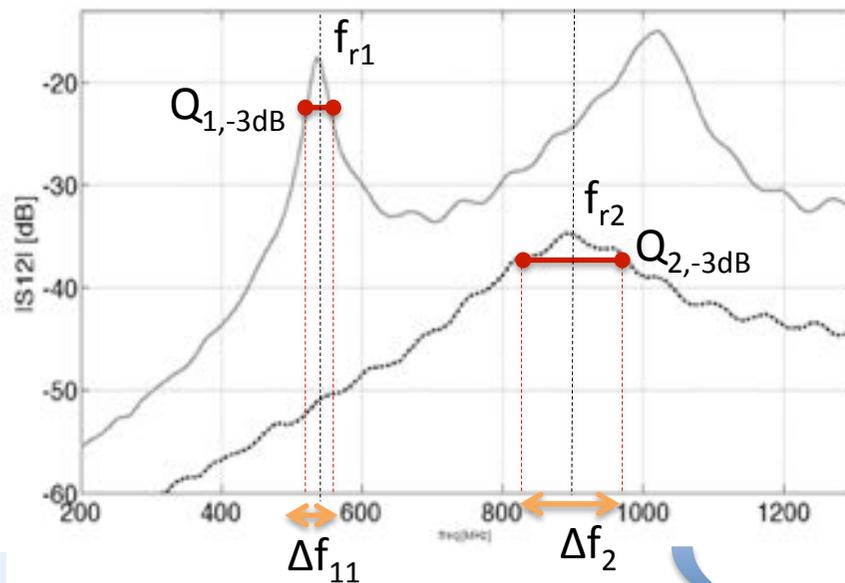
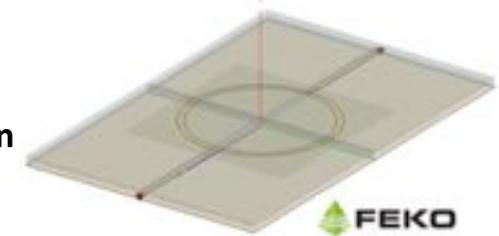
$$\left\{ f_{res}, Q = \frac{f_{res}}{\Delta f_{-3dB}} \right\}$$

1. EM Modeling (FEM)

2. Parametric Simulation

Data Inversion Charts

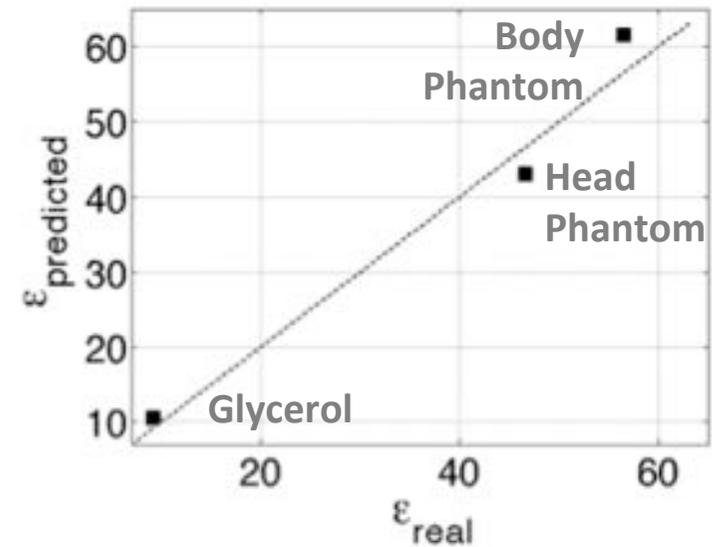
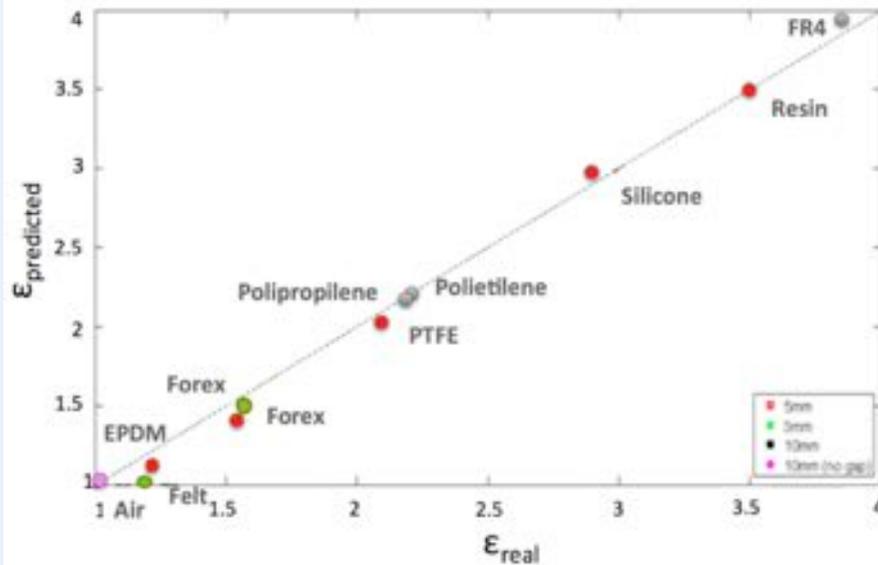
$$\left\{ f_{res, sim}(\epsilon, \sigma), Q_{sim}(\epsilon, \sigma) \right\}$$



Parameters Retrieval

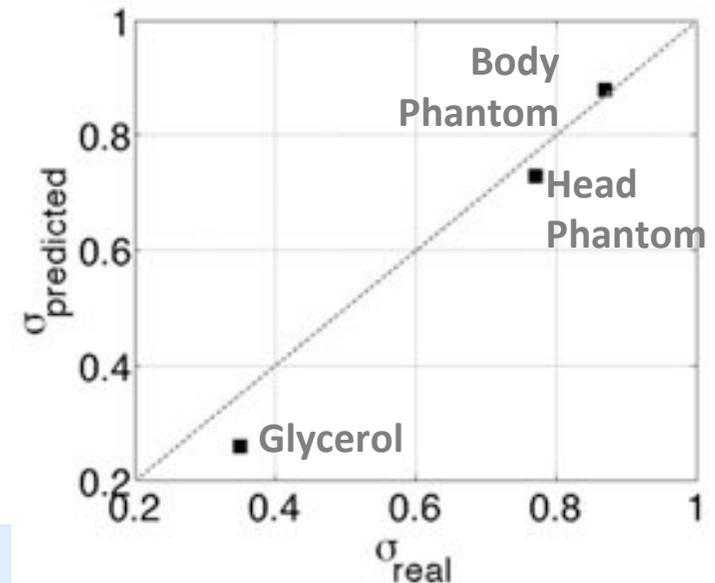


Low & High permittivity and losses



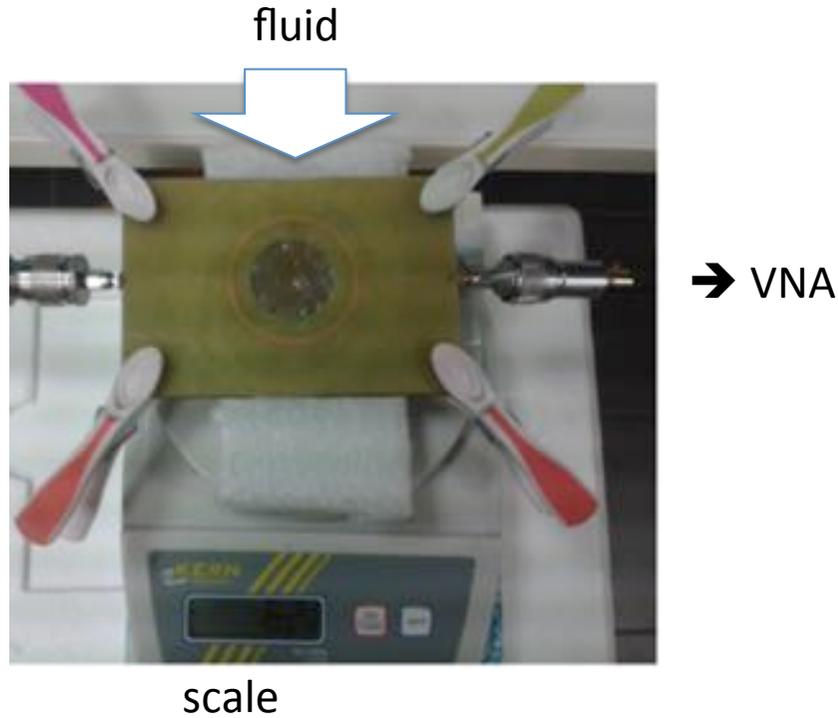
Solid Samples, Different Thickness

Validated for both low-permittivity and high-permittivity materials



Characterization of e.m. Parameters

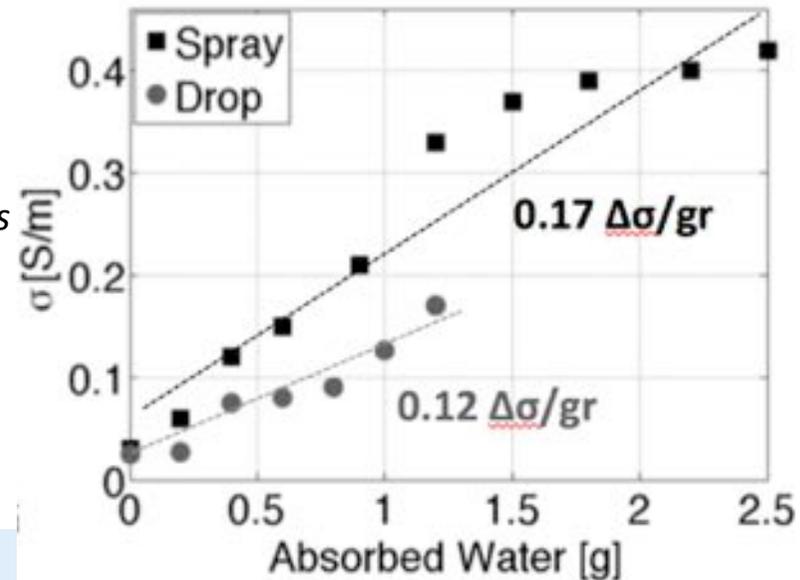
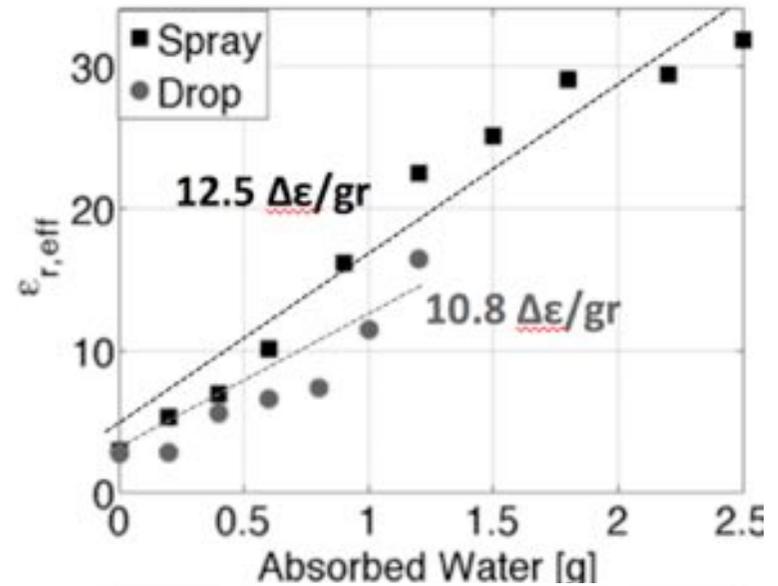
- Hydrogel



- Distributed Exposure**
 Solution uniformly dispersed by spray nozzle
Large burns, ulcers, Bedsores, Sweat loss

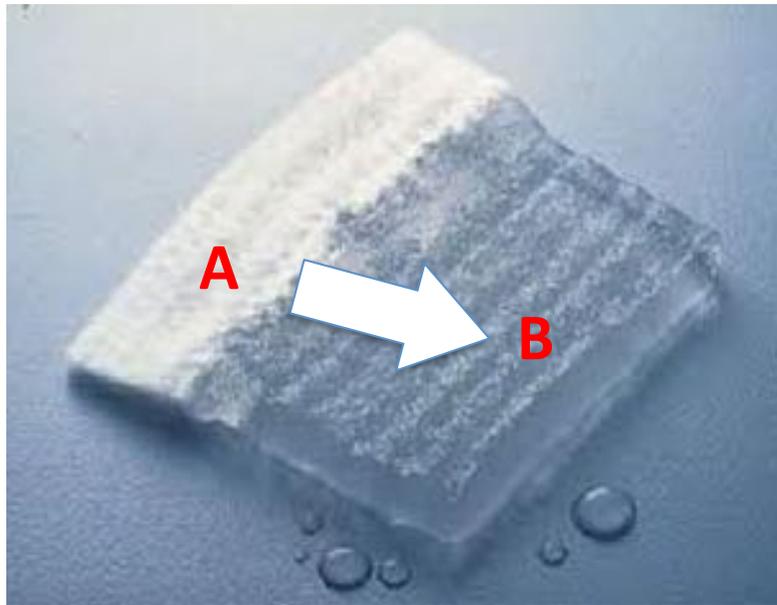


- Localized Exposure**
 Solution locally release by syringe
Punctured wounds, Gunshot wound, Incision



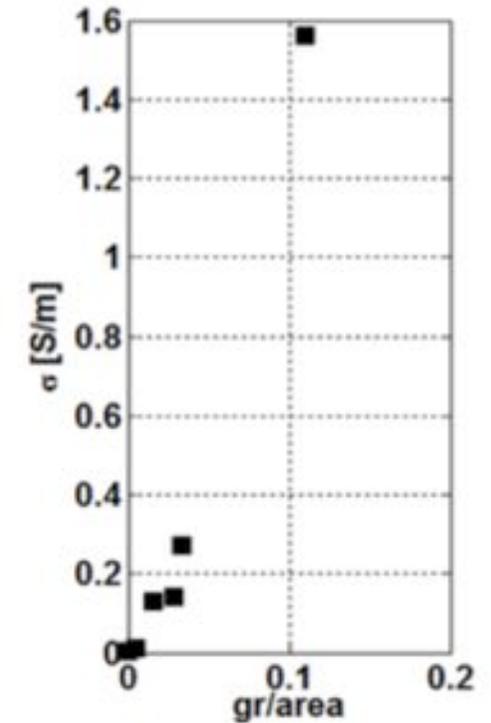
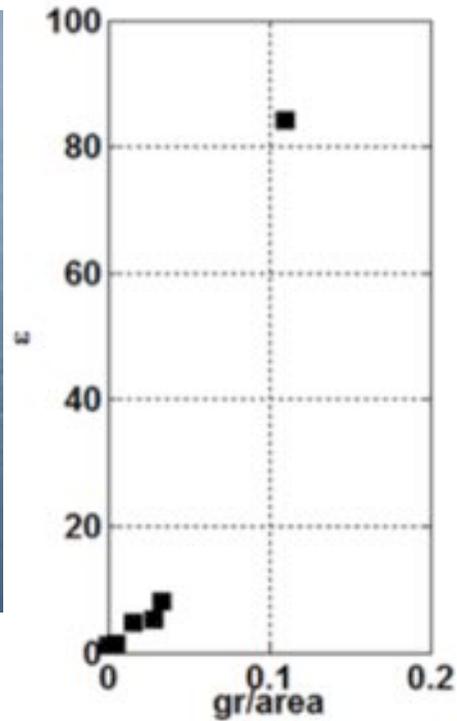
Characterization of e.m. Parameters

- Fibres dressing



Step-wise behavior

Aquacel dressing

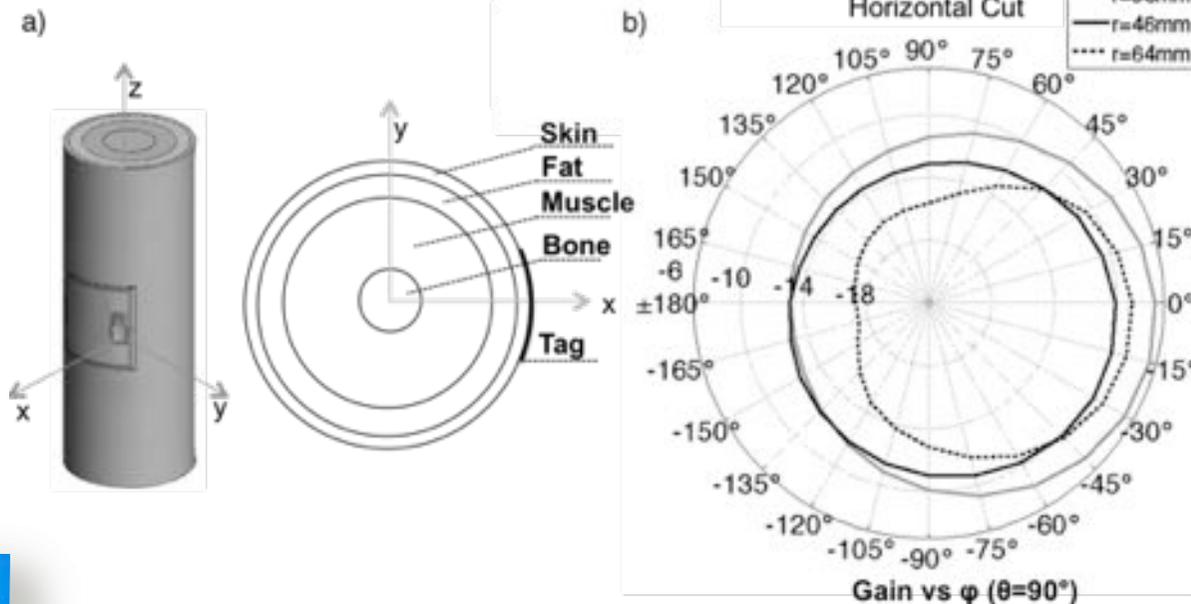
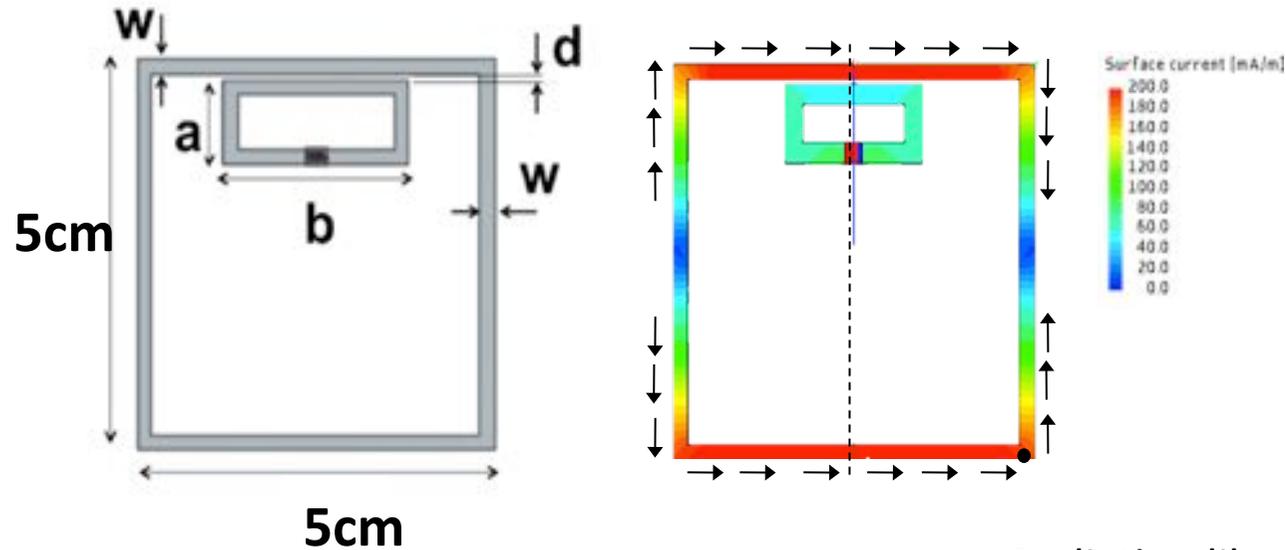


A

B



Skin antennas: Dual-Loop tag



Radiation like a two C-dipoles

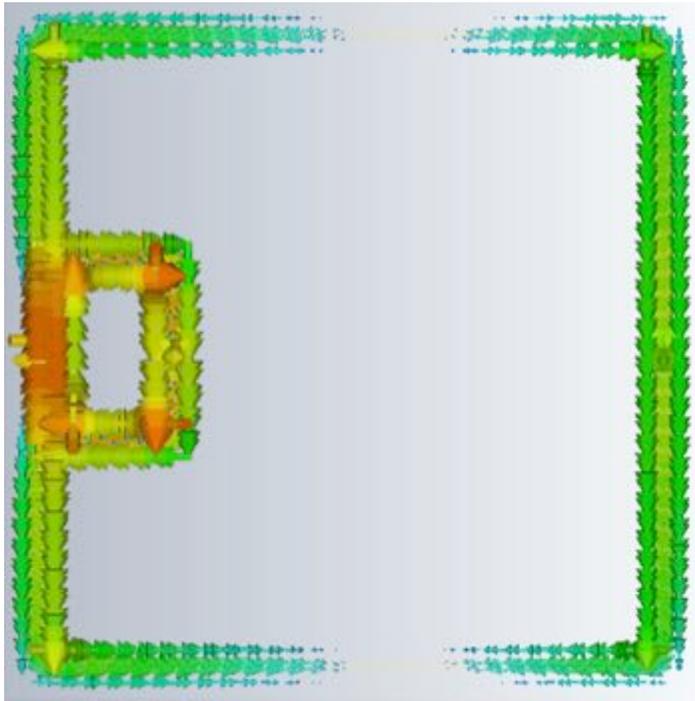
Loop exciter for impedance matching

S Milici, S Amendola, A Bianco, G Marrocco, "Epidermal RFID passive sensor for body temperature measurements", IEEE RFID-TA 2014

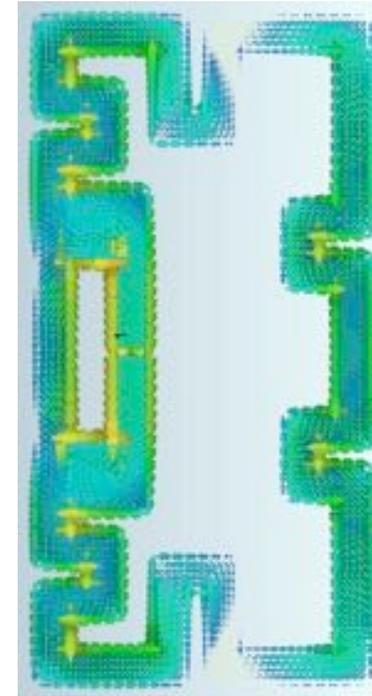


Miniaturized Skin Antennas

5 cm



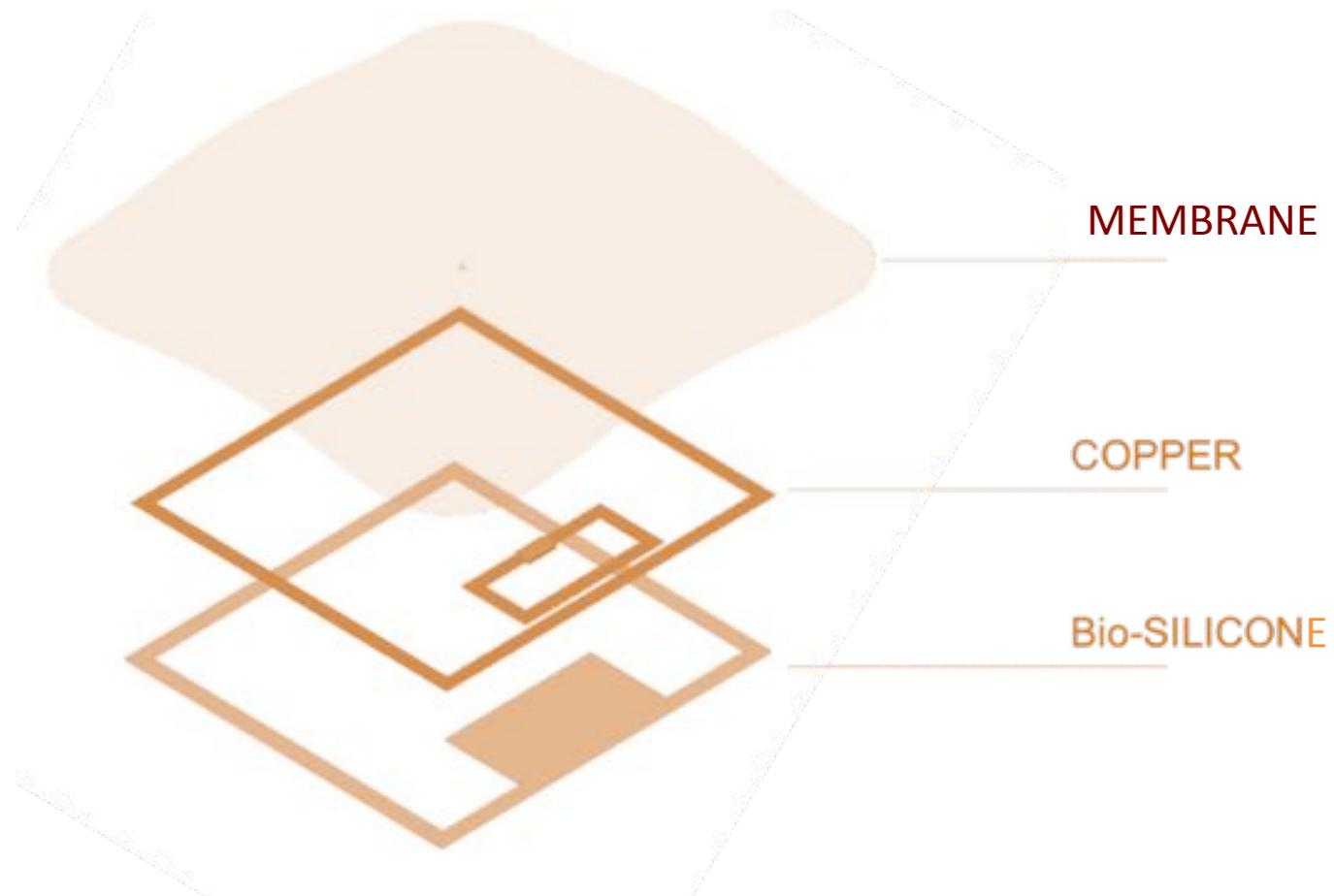
2.5 cm



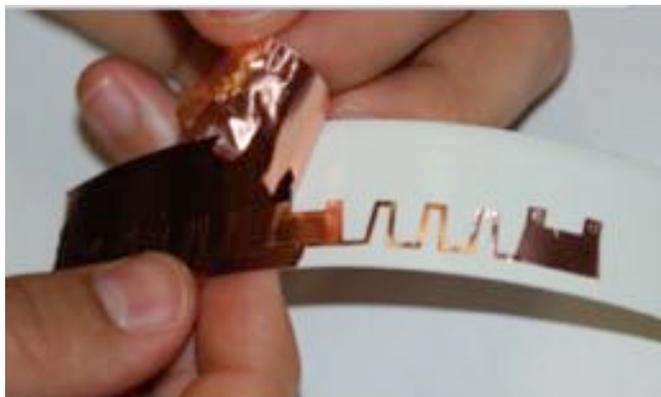
- Miniaturization of the “un-useful” traces
- Additional meandering to achieve stretching
- Performance , practically unchanged



Fabrication



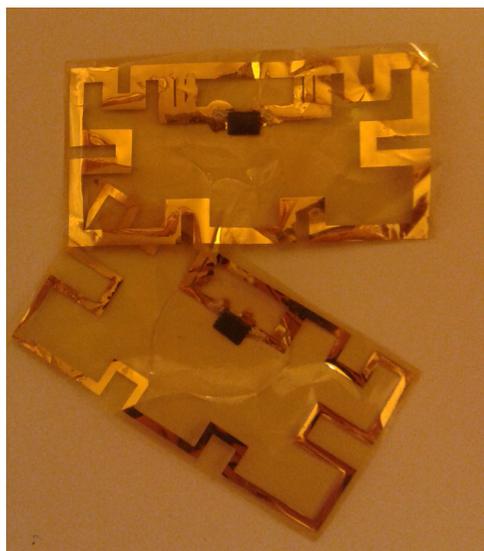
Traces Deposition



Carved adhesive copper sheet



Stencil and conductive paint



Micro-fabrication



Coated
Micro-wires

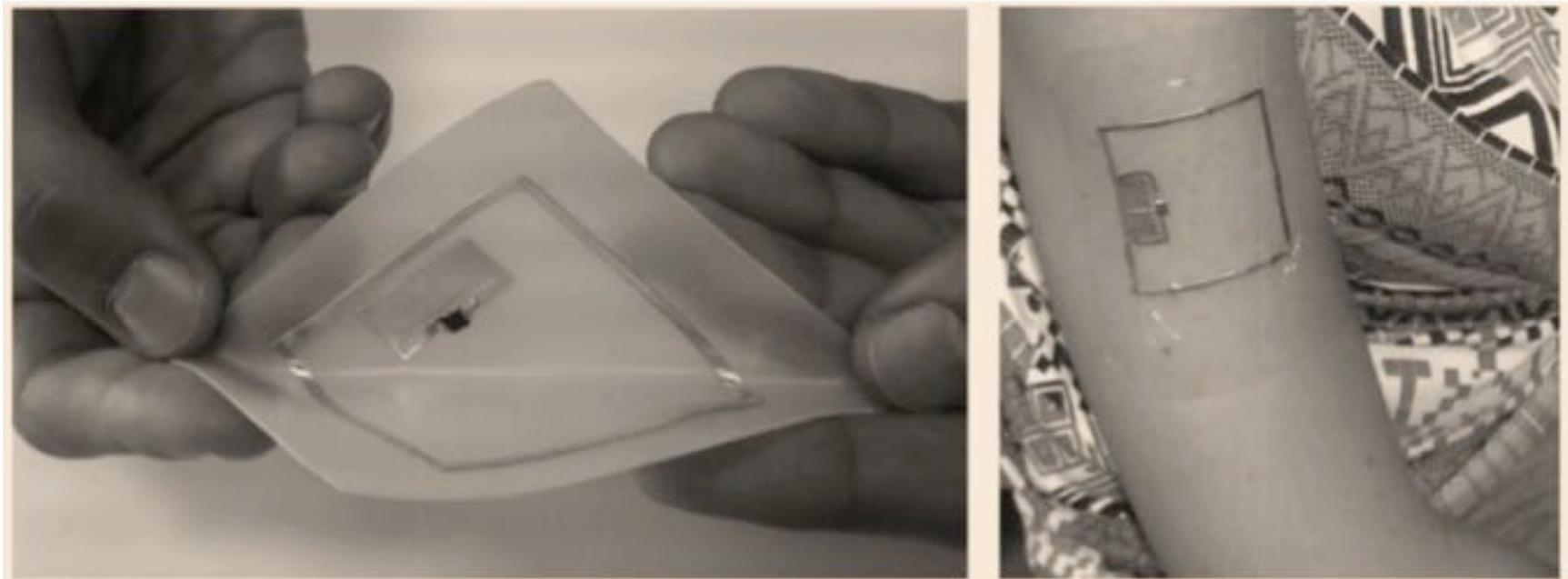


Inkjet printing



Antenna on Silicone Membrane

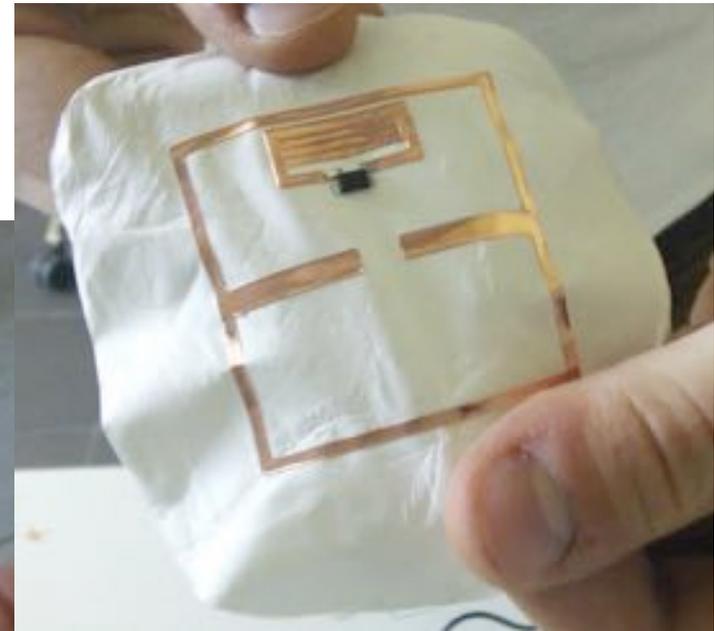
On bio-compatible silicone



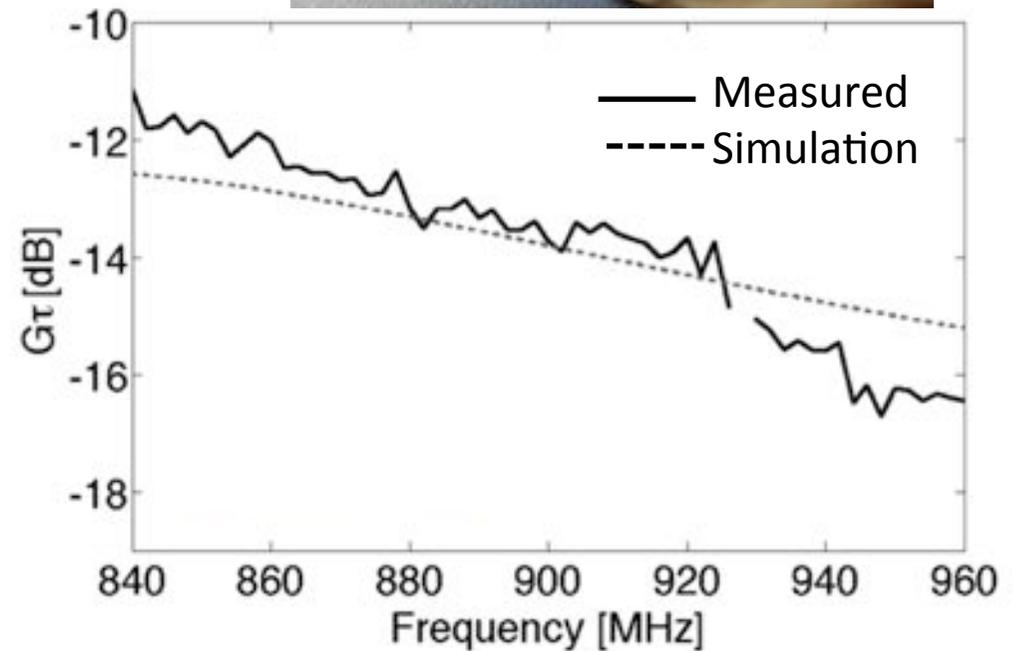
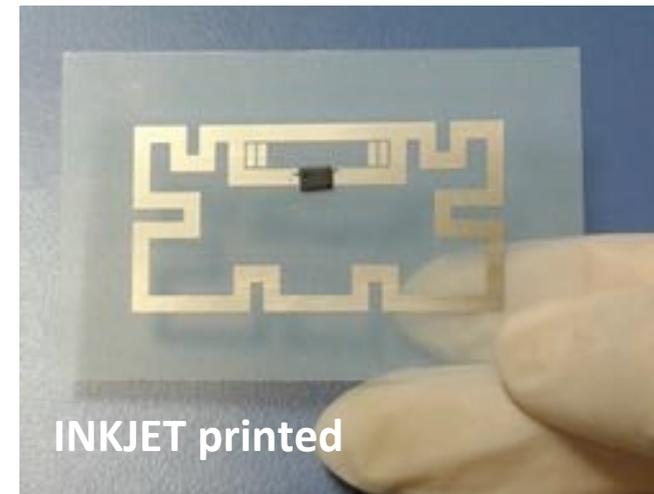
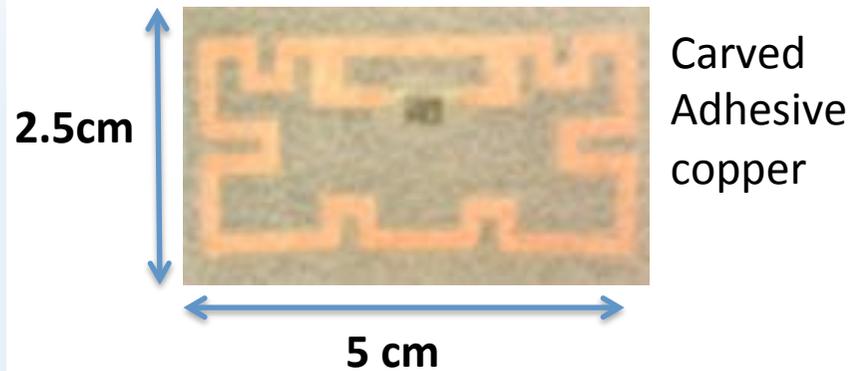
Antenna on Scaffold-like Membrane

- Poli ϵ -Caprolactone (PCL)

Antenna: adhesive copper



Skin antennas over PET



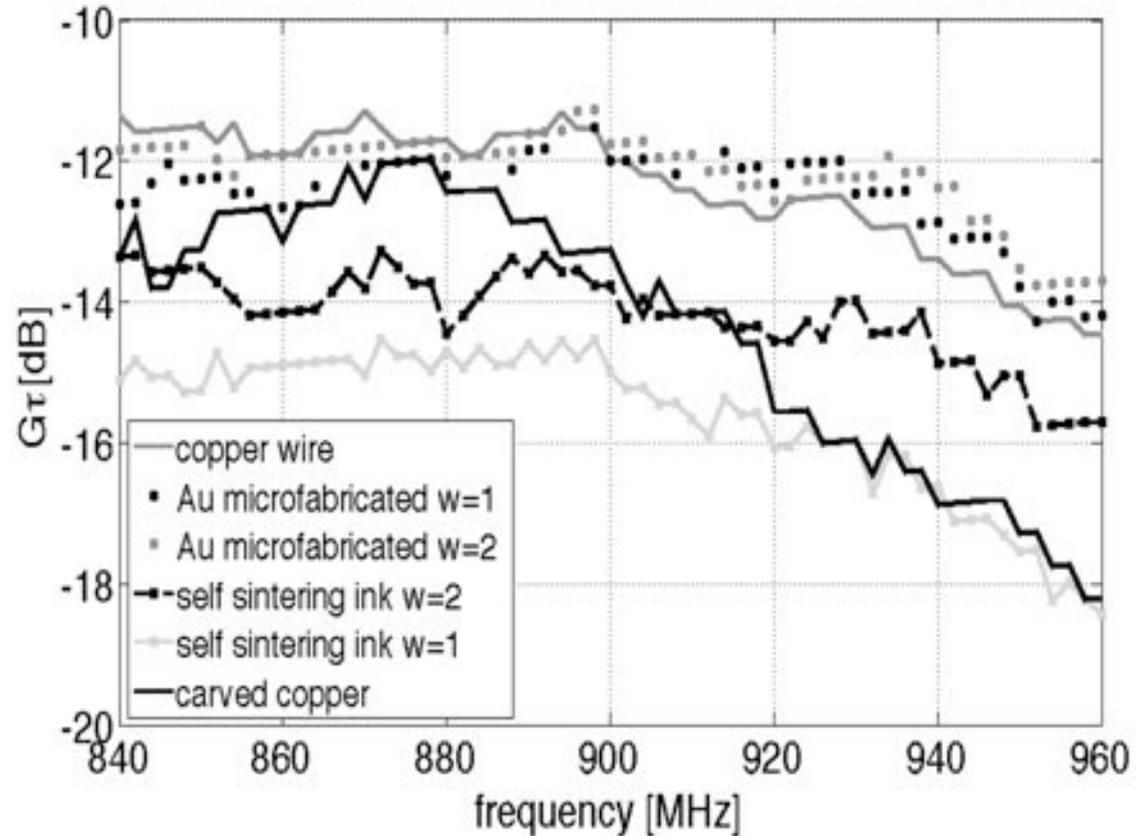
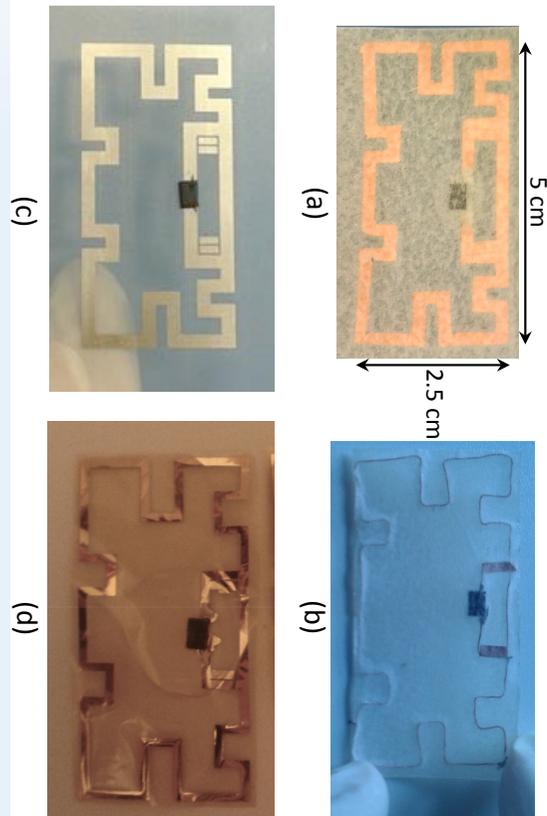
$0.5\text{m} < D_{\text{max}} \text{ (EIRP } 3.2\text{W)} < 3.5 \text{ m}$

Temp.

Label.



Skin Antennas: performance comparison

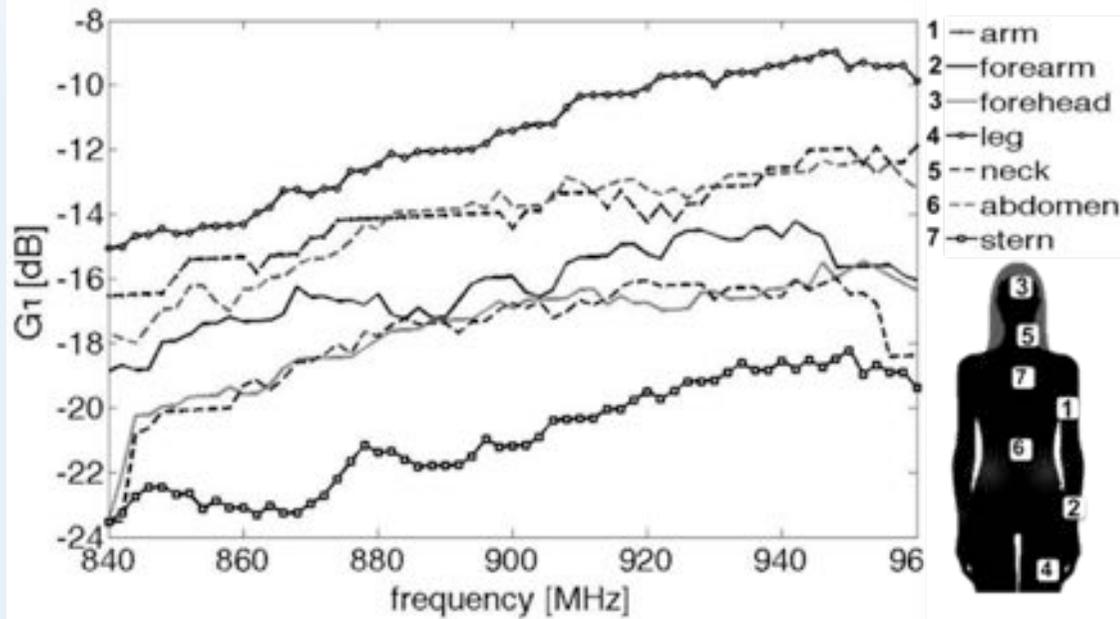


- a. Adhesive Copper foil (plotter)
- b. Micro-wire
- c. Inkjet printing
- d. Micro-fabrication (gold)

Antennas over a liquid body-phantom

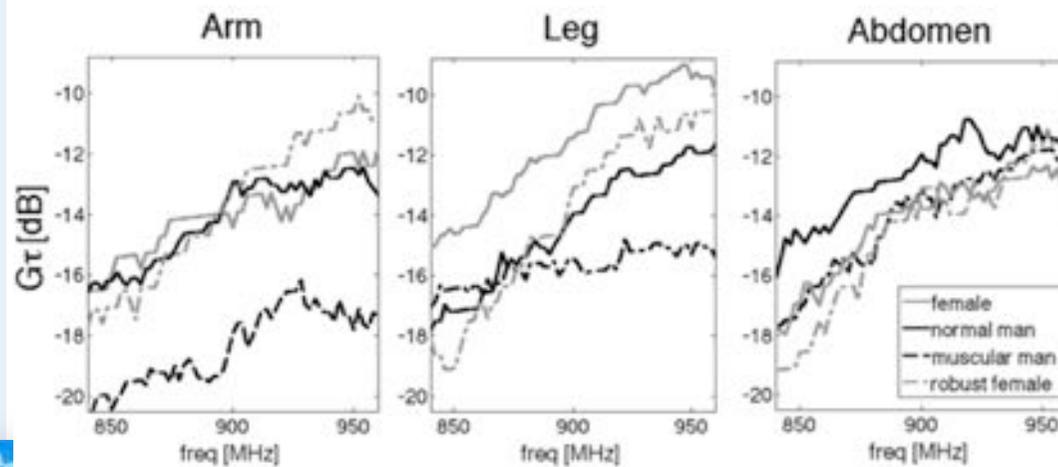


Human Body Variability



Body size

Position

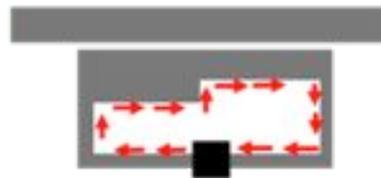
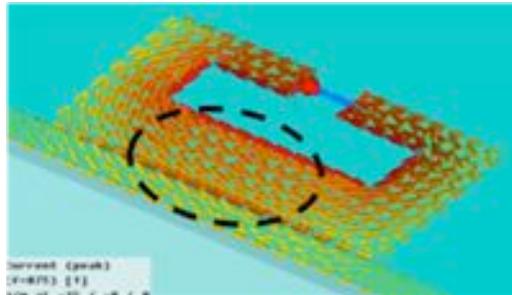


DATA OF THE FOUR VOLUNTEERS FOR EPIDERMAL TAG MEASUREMENTS

| Volunteer | height [cm] | weight [Kg] | Body mass Index |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|
| tiny female | 155 | 45 | 18.7 |
| robust female | 178 | 75 | 23.7 |
| normal male | 174 | 64 | 21.4 |
| muscular male | 184 | 85 | 25.1 |



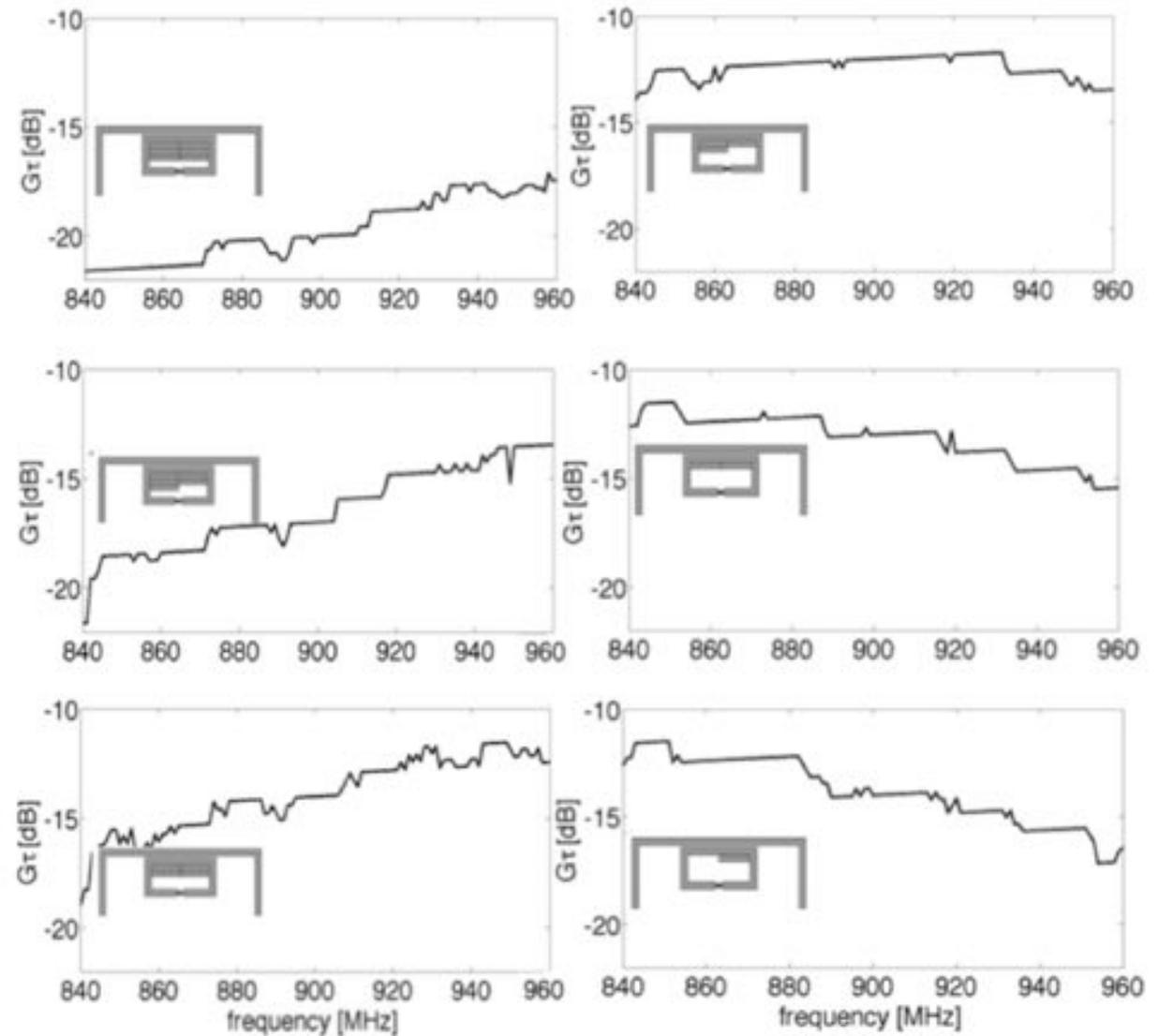
Tuning



Pre-carved loop

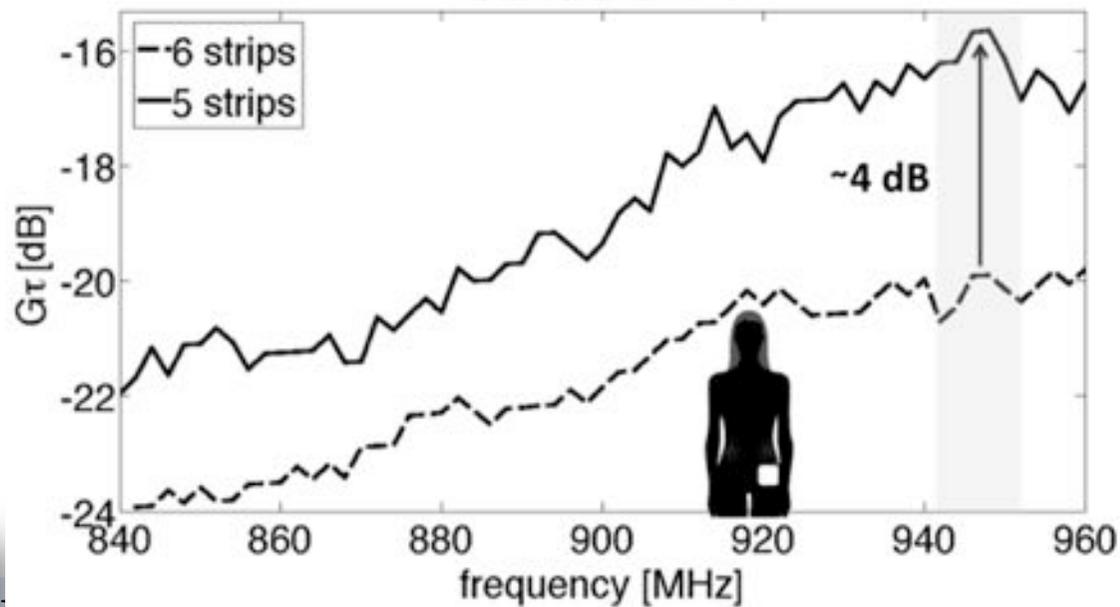
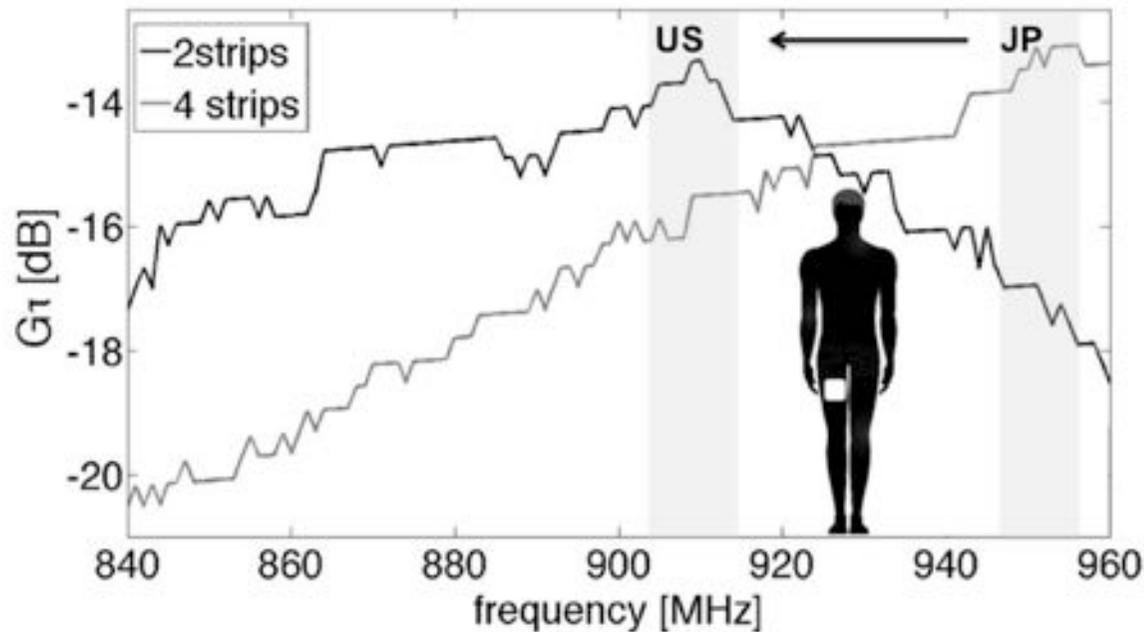


(b)



OnBody Retuning

examples



S. Amendola, S. Milici, G. Marrocco, "Performance of Epidermal RFID Dual-loop Tag and On-skin Retuning", IEEE TAP. 2015



Implantable sensors



Implantable Sensors

Why ?

Self-diagnostic orthopedic prosthesis

- monitoring of bio-mechanical parameters from the inside

Smart sutures

- monitoring of post-surgery local inflammation (temperature)

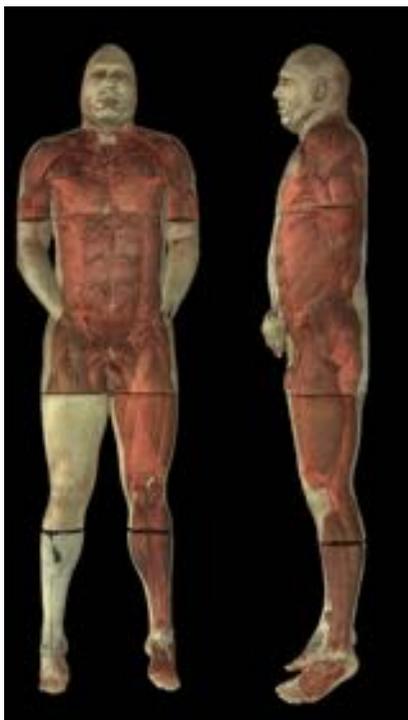
Smart Stents

- monitoring of re-stenosis inside blood vessels

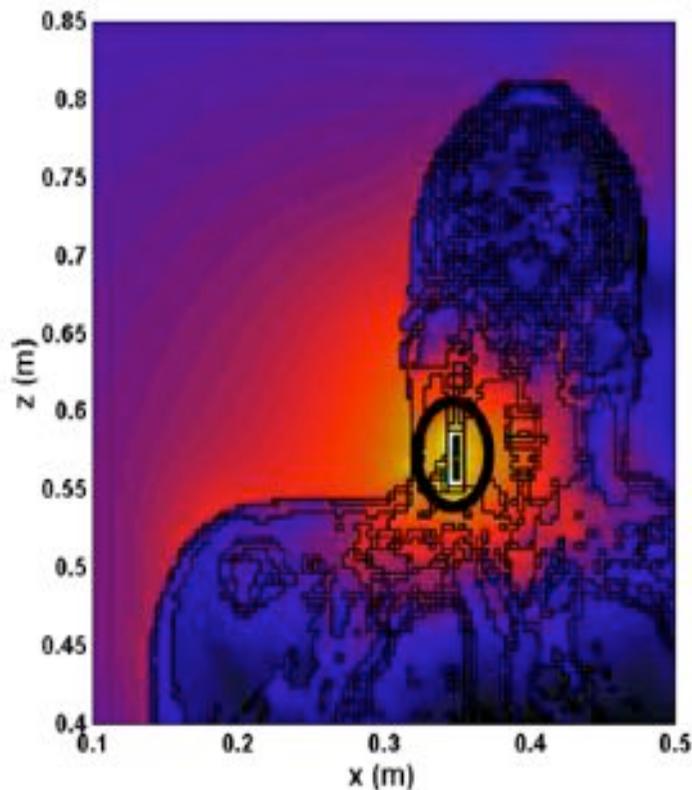
- Through the Body Links
- Near field interactions



Electromagnetic Models & Phantoms for Implanted RFID tags



Visible Human
Project



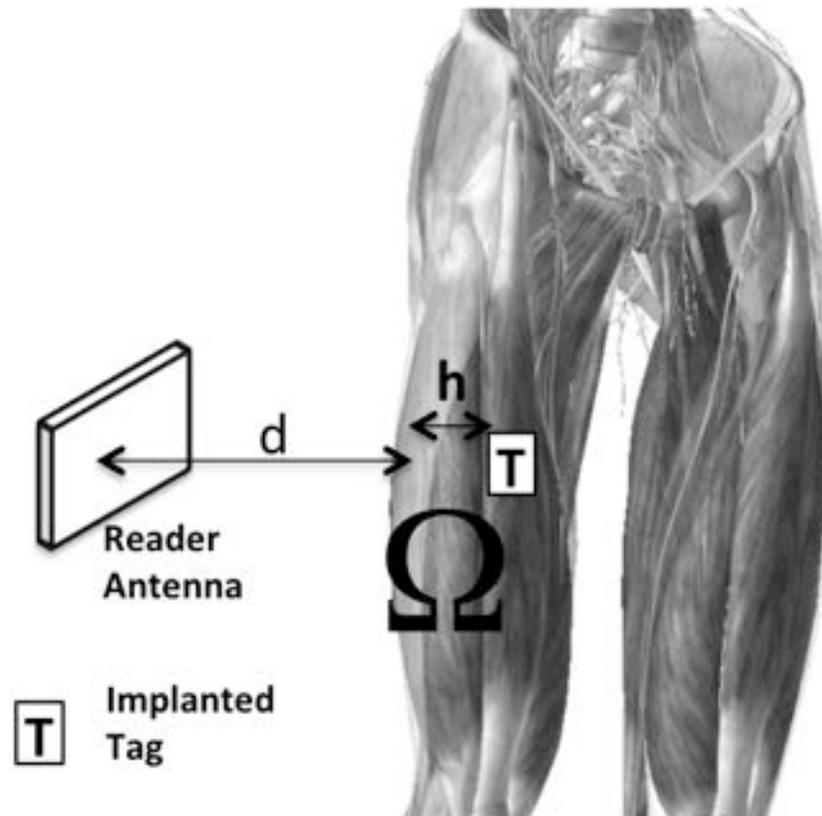
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Human body
phantom



Limb Implants

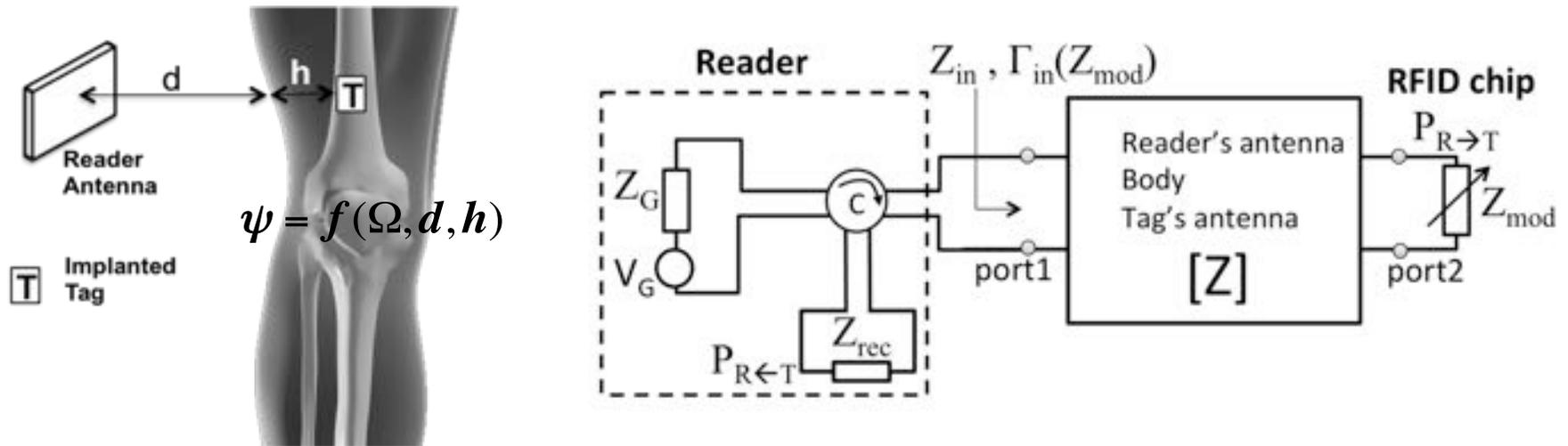


Integration of sensors into a prosthesis to monitor its health status

- Deformations
- Temperature ,..



Implanted RFID radio channel



Forward link
Transducer
Gain

$$G_T(\psi) = \frac{P_{R \rightarrow T}(\psi)}{P_{avG}} \frac{4R_{chip}R_G|Z_{21}|^2}{\left| (Z_{22} + Z_{chip})(Z_{11} + Z_G) - Z_{12}Z_{21} \right|^2}$$

Backward link
Round-trip
Gain

$$G_{RT}(\psi) = \frac{P_{R \leftarrow T}(\psi)}{P_{avG}} = \frac{1}{4} \left| \Gamma_{in}(\psi, Z^{ON}) - \Gamma_{in}(Z^{OFF}) \right|^2 \left| \frac{Z_G Z_{12}}{Z_{rec}} \right|^2 \frac{1}{\left| (Z_{11} + Z_G)(Z_{22} + Z_{chip}) - Z_{12}Z_{21} \right|^2}$$



Feasibility Margins

Quantify the feasibility and reliability of the RFID channel

Direct Link Margin

$$M_{DL}(\psi) = \underbrace{G_T(\psi)P_{avG}}_{P_{R \rightarrow T}(\psi)} - P_{chip}$$

Backward Link Margin

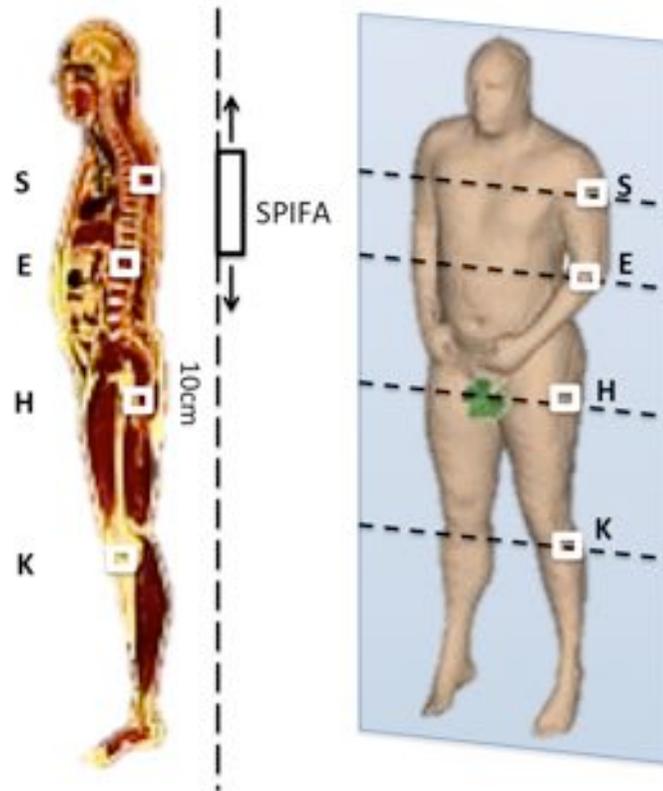
$$M_{BL}(\psi) = \underbrace{G_{RT}(\psi)P_{avG}}_{P_{R \leftarrow T}(\psi)} - P_{rdr}$$

Margin > 0dB in order to establish the transcutaneous link

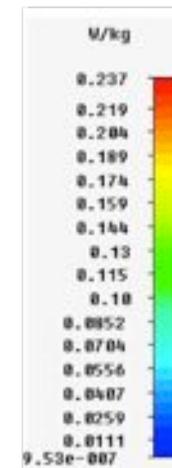
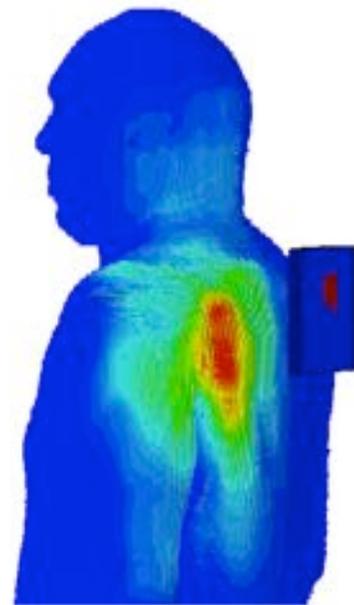


Through-the-body UHF-RFID link

Limb Implants: simulation with Visible Human



| Locus of implant | $M_{DL}(dB)$ | $M_{BL}(dB)$ |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| shoulder (humerus) | +2 | +20 |
| elbow (humerus) | +10 | +34 |
| hip (femur) | +3 | +18 |
| knee (femur) | +2 | +17 |



Safety

| Locus of implant | Localized SAR 10g (W/kg) |
|------------------|--------------------------|
| Shoulder | 0.23 |
| Elbow | 0.36 |
| Hip | 0.36 |
| Knee | 0.30 |

Regulations: SAR < 2W/Kg



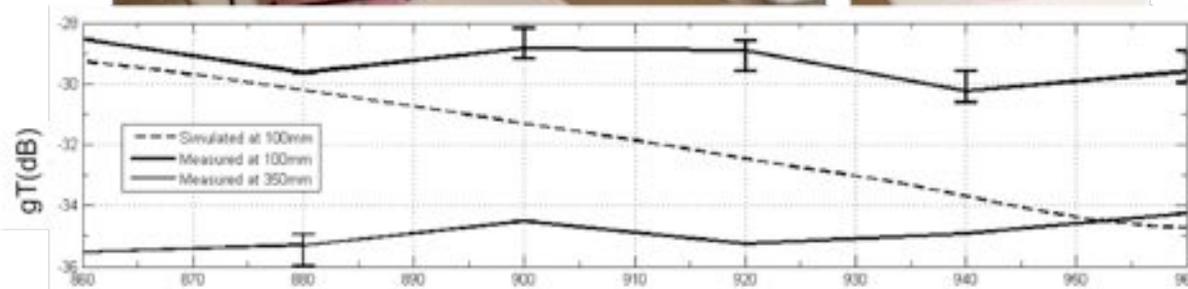
Through-the-body UHF-RFID link

Limb Implants: Experiments over phantoms



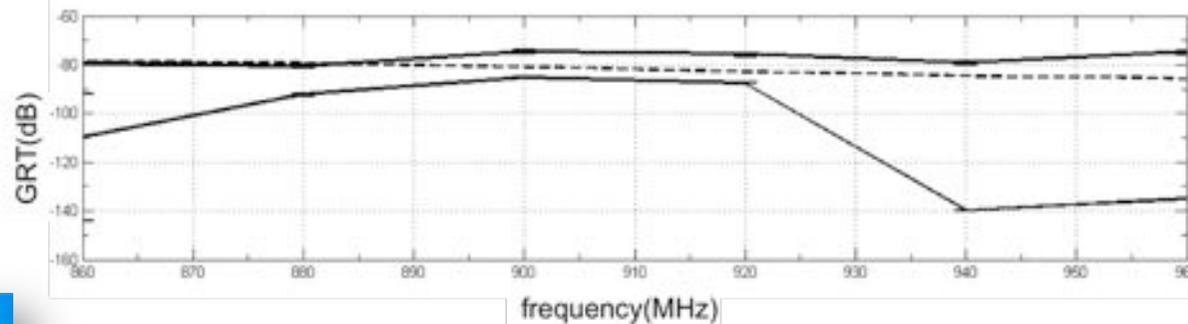
Cow Bone
Muscle: 65%
Fat: 35%

Av. Permittivity:
 $\epsilon = 38$ $\sigma = 0.60$ S/m



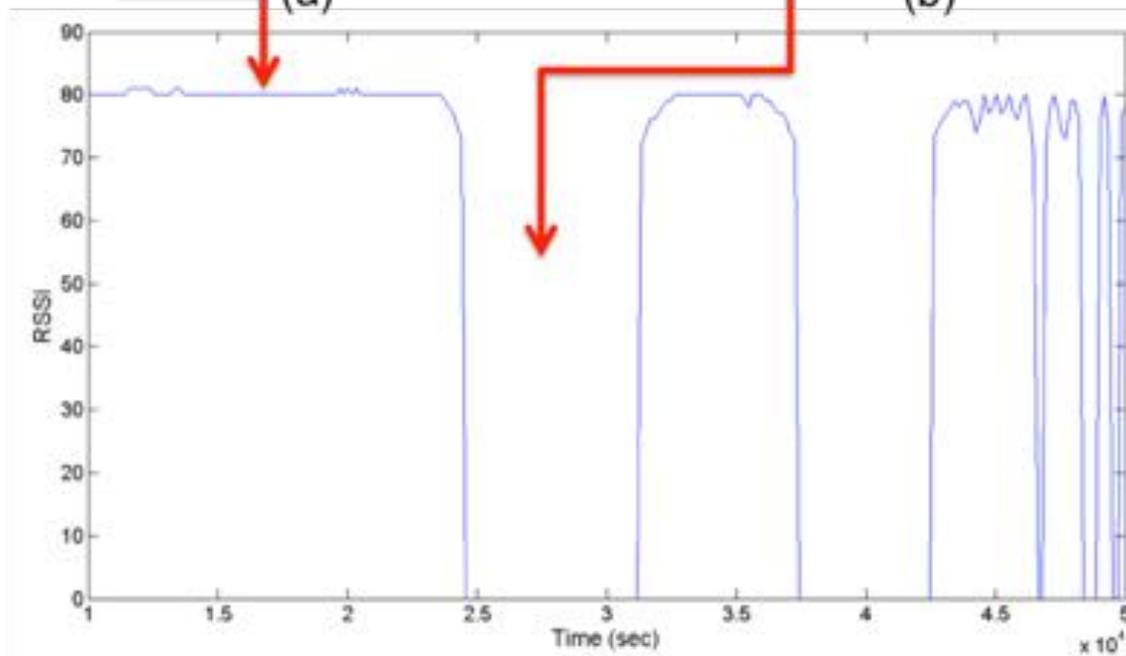
Pin=30dBm W

Read-distance ≤ 25 cm



Through-the-body UHF-RFID link

- Motion detection

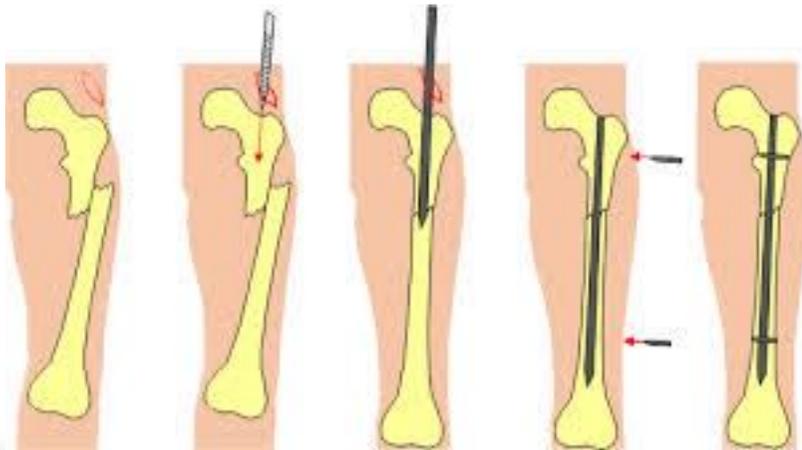


Intra-medullary Smart Nail



| | Femoral nail | Tibial nail |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Distal diameter (mm) | 9-16 | 8-13 |
| Proximal diameter (mm) | 13.5 -16 | 11-13 |
| Length (mm) | 300-480 | 255-465 |

an anatomically curved rod generally made of titanium alloy whose size depends on the type of the fracture and on the specific implantation locus such as, for instance, the **femur** and the **tibia**. Fixing holes are drilled at the extremities of the device at the purpose to lock the prosthesis to the bone by means of screws.



Intra-medullary Smart Nail

“Antennification”

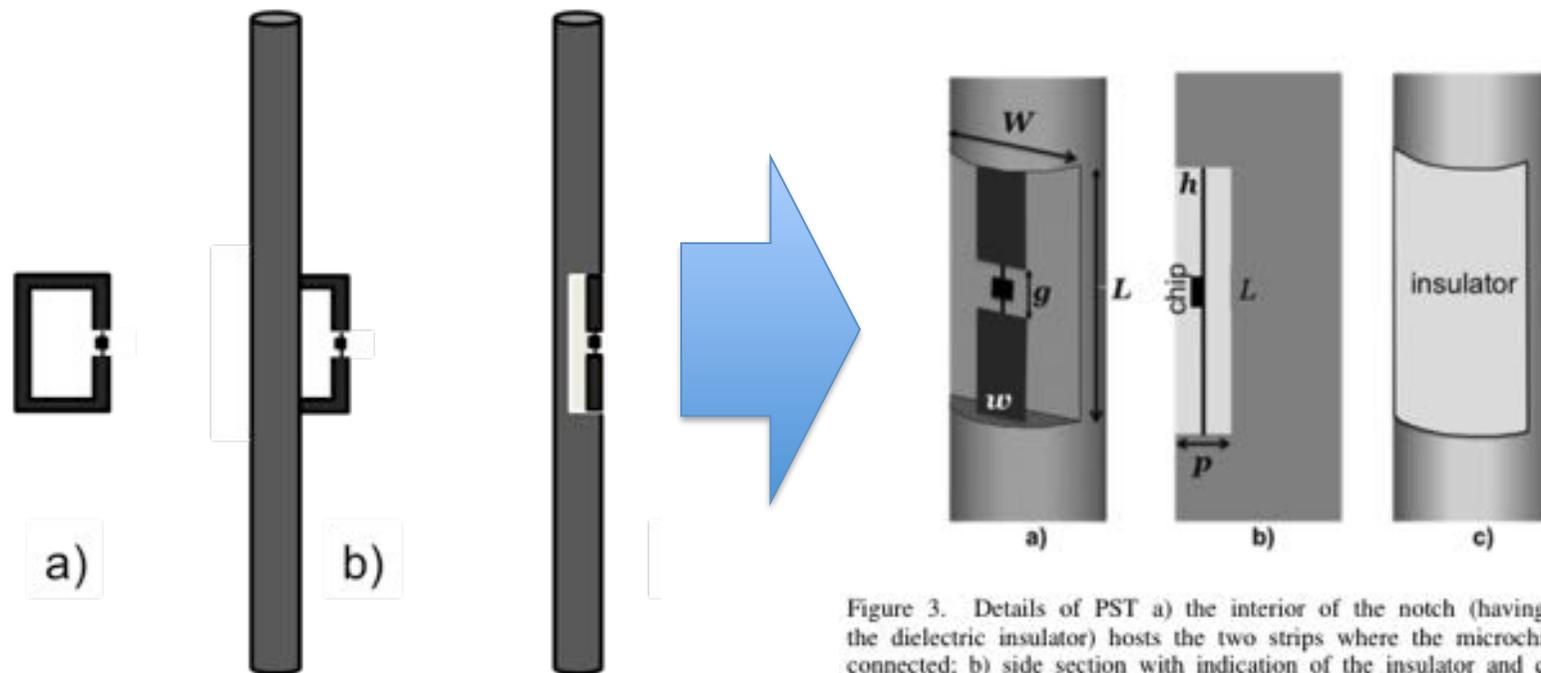
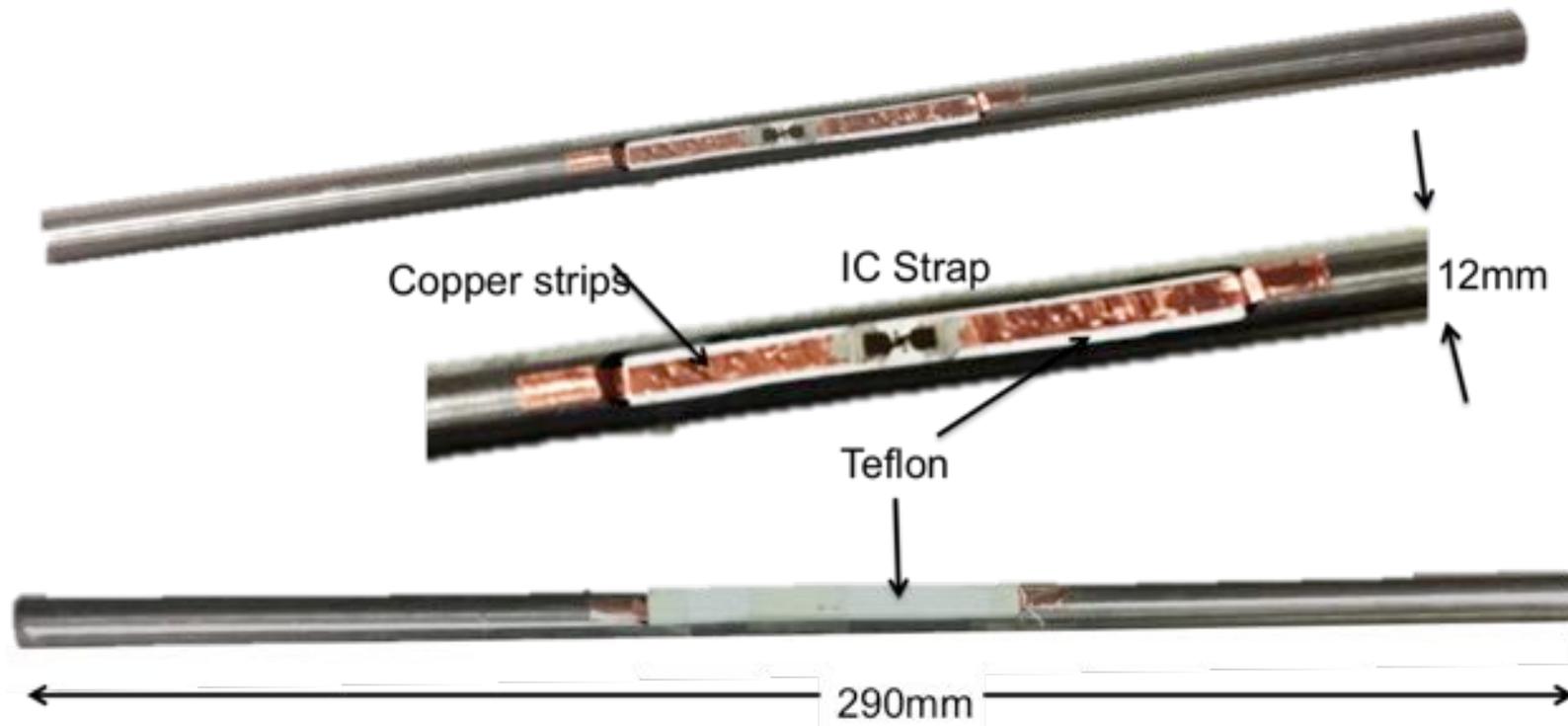


Figure 3. Details of PST a) the interior of the notch (having removed the dielectric insulator) hosts the two strips where the microchip will be connected; b) side section with indication of the insulator and c) external view.



Intra-medullary Smart Nail

Proof of concept



Intra-medullary Smart Nail experiments

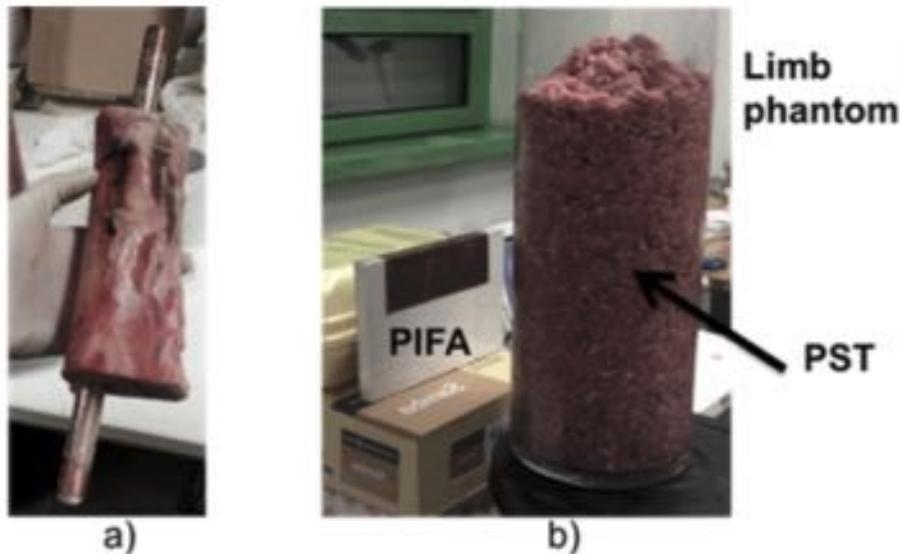


Figure 10. a) PST placed inside the medullary canal of a cow bone and b) measurement set-up comprising a ThingMagic M5 reader (not shown) connected to a Stacked PIFA antenna and the limb phantom with the bone inside.

Dmax: 30cm
(identification only)

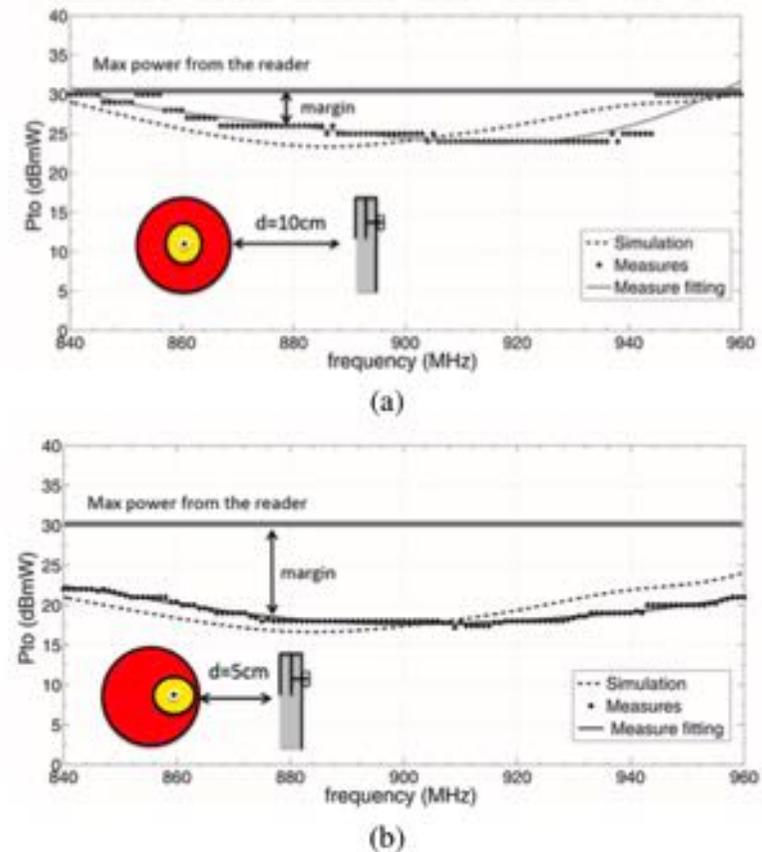
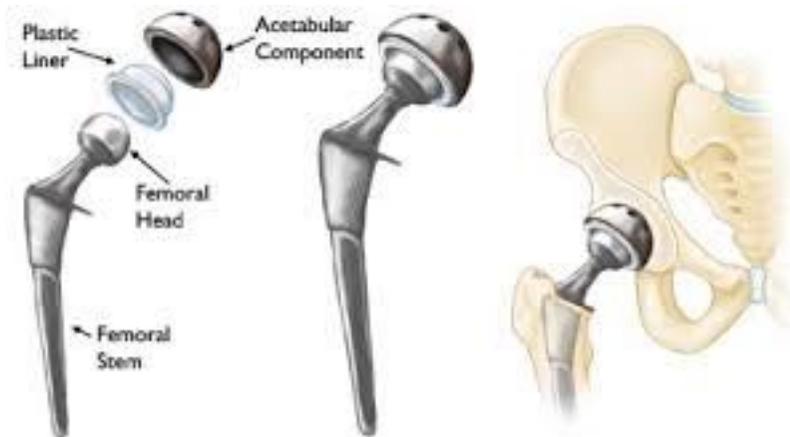


Figure 11. Simulated and measured turn-on power P_{to} for PST implanted as in Fig.9 having included also the S-PIFA antenna of the reader that is placed at distances $d = 10\text{cm}$, 5cm , respectively.



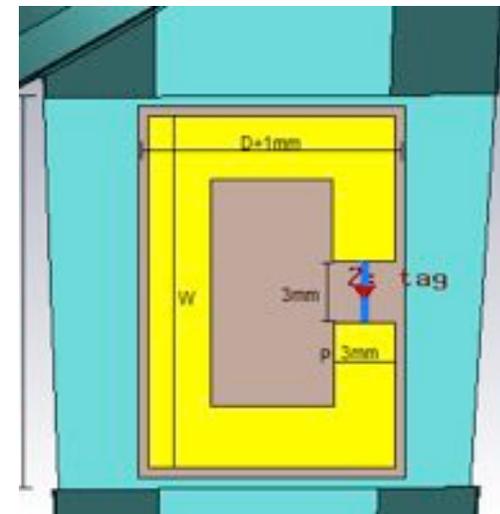
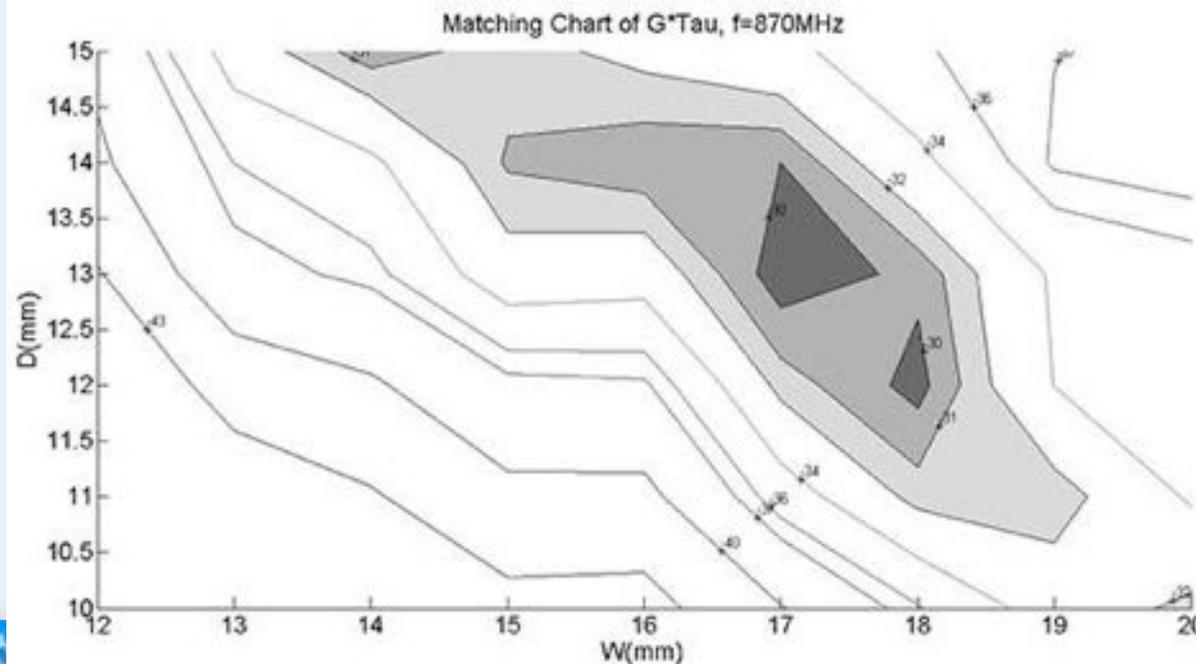
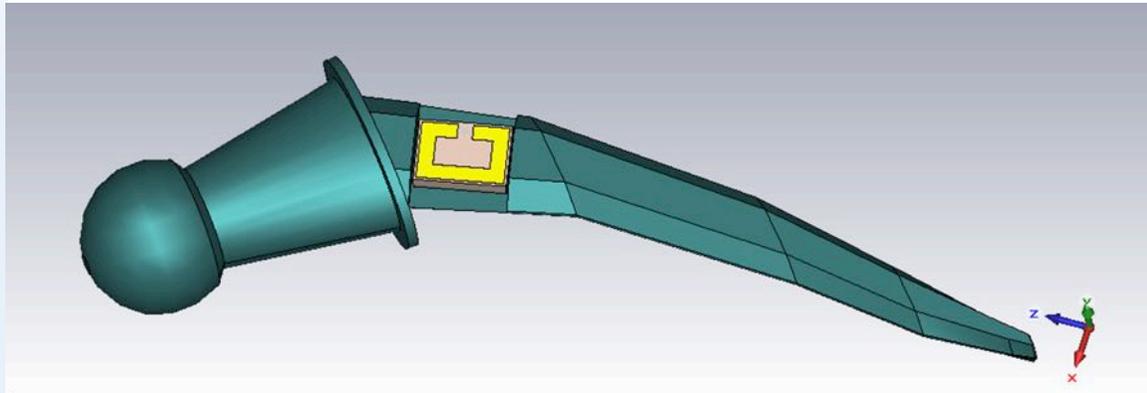
Hip Prosthesis



Hip Prosthesis

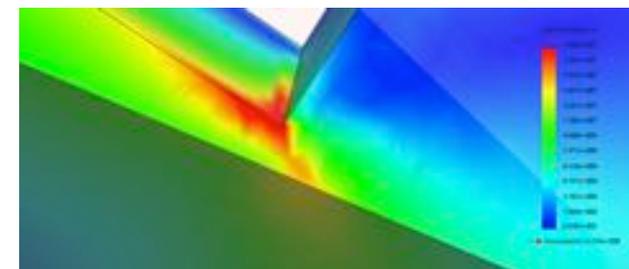
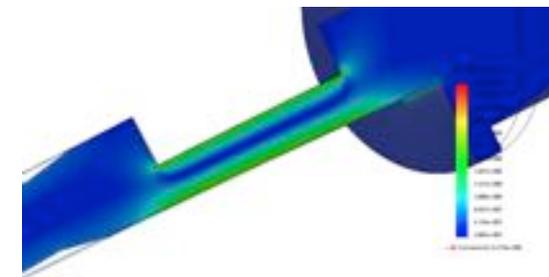
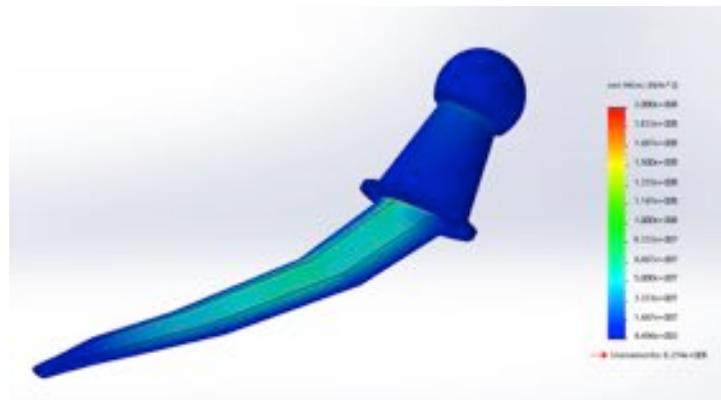
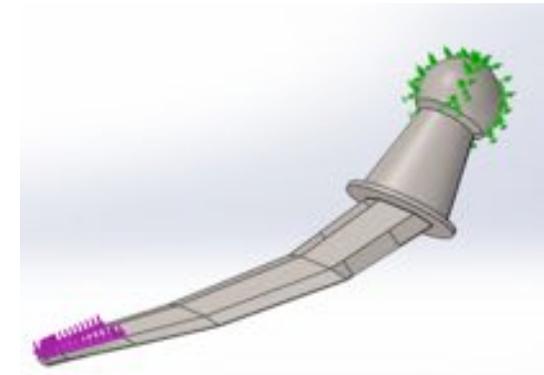
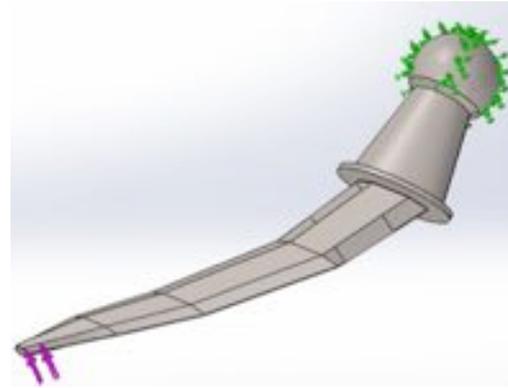
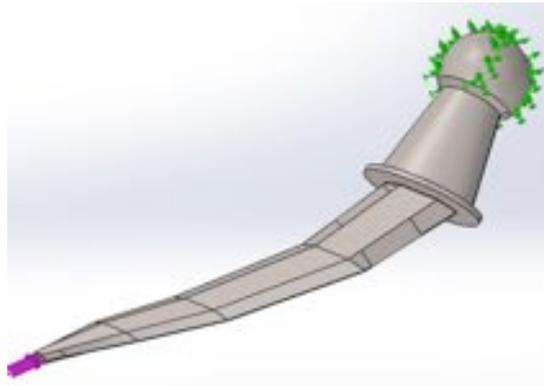
- Structural sensor

Onsite optimization of the tag



Bio-mechanic Analysis

stress

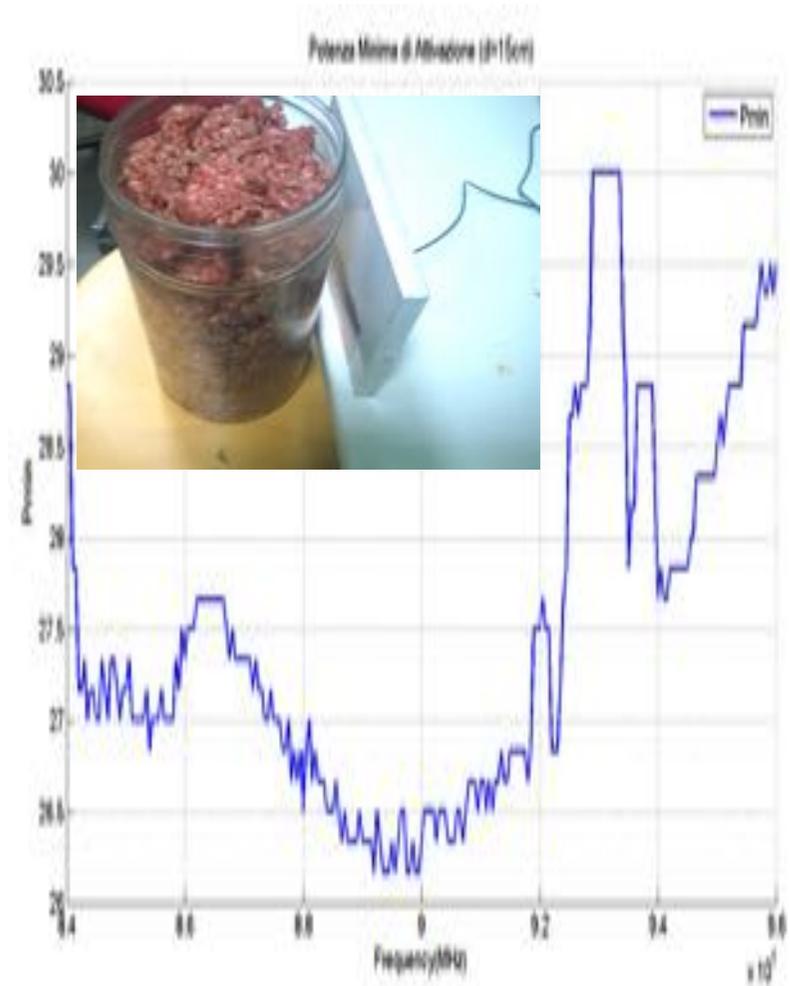


→ No sensible change in the mechanical robustness



Hip Prosthesis

- Additive manufacturing



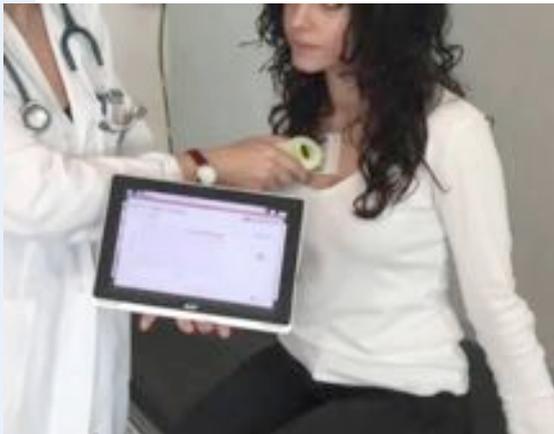
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Systems and Applications



In-hospital Temperature Monitoring



On the flight Identification & sensing of moving people

Epidemic control at airport and hospital

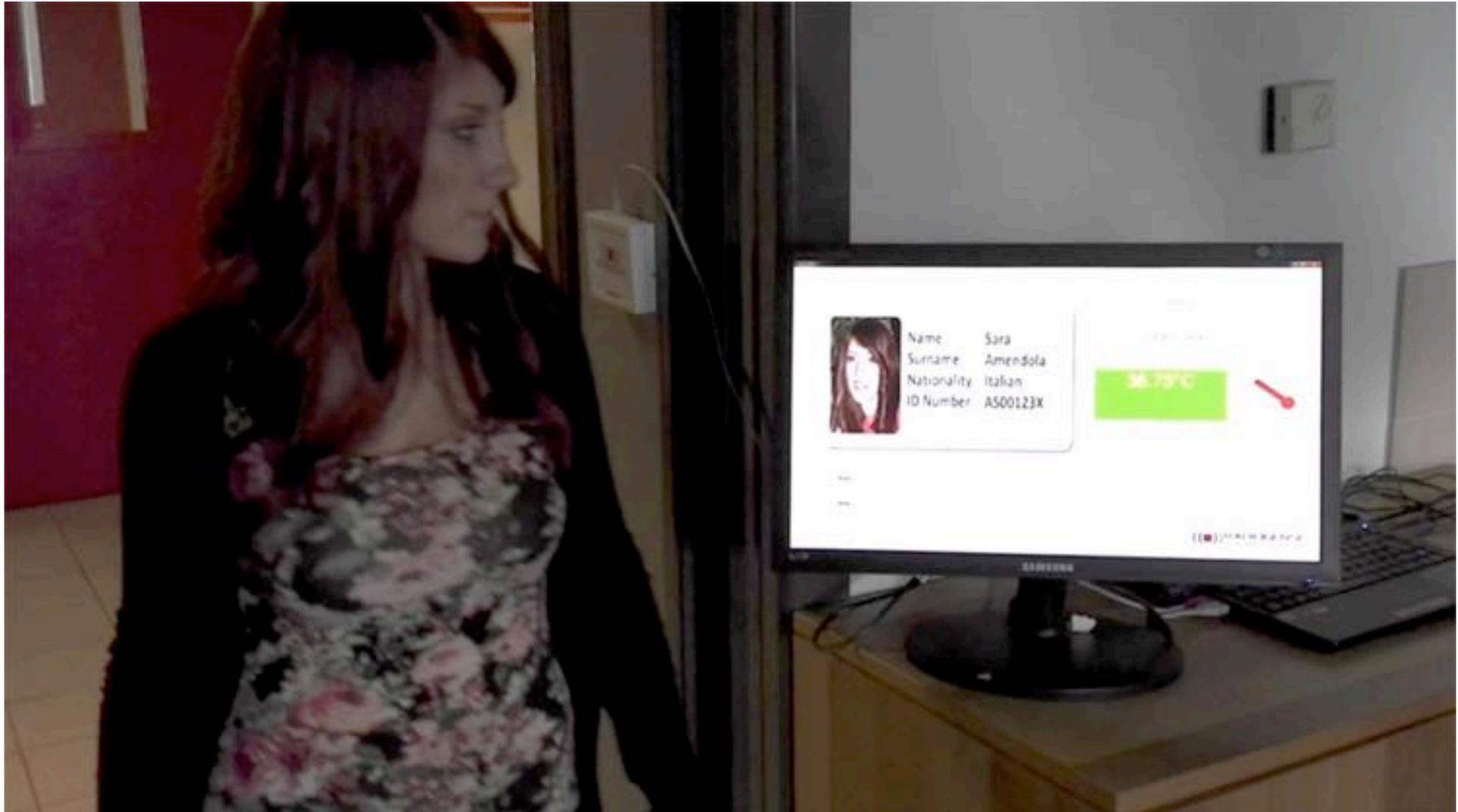
In-house automatic screening on crossing door



Figure 25. Possible setup for the automatic health monitoring of in transit people.



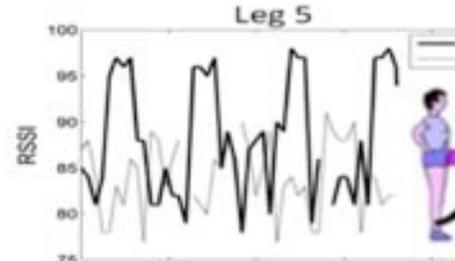
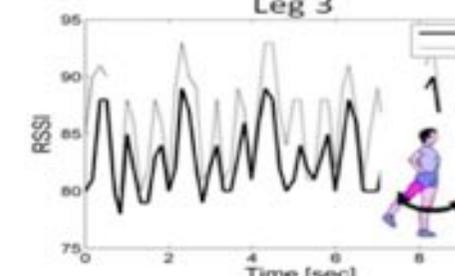
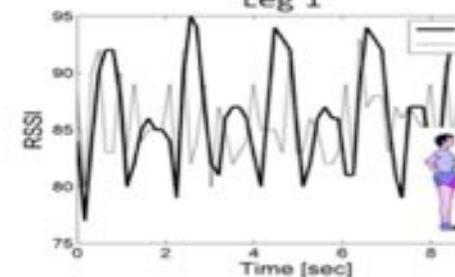
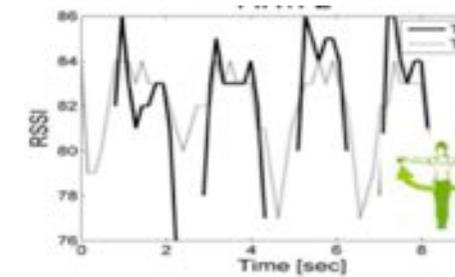
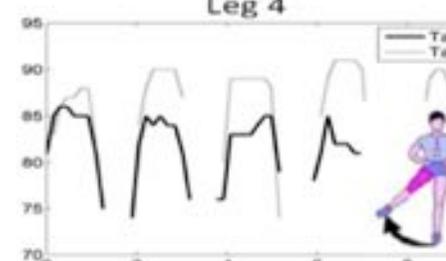
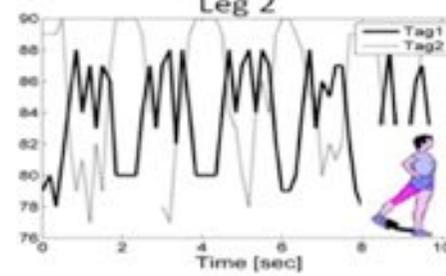
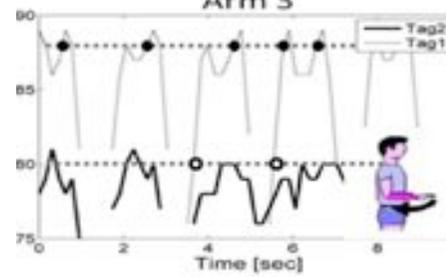
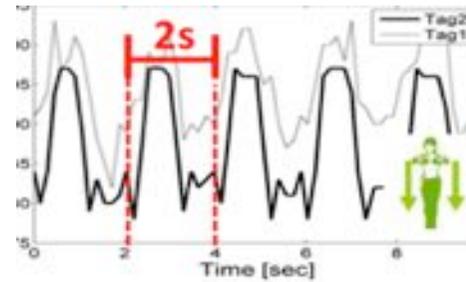
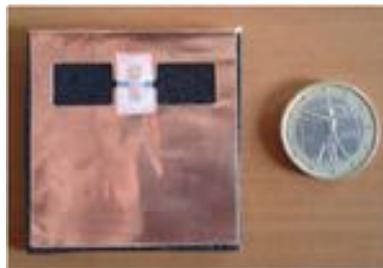
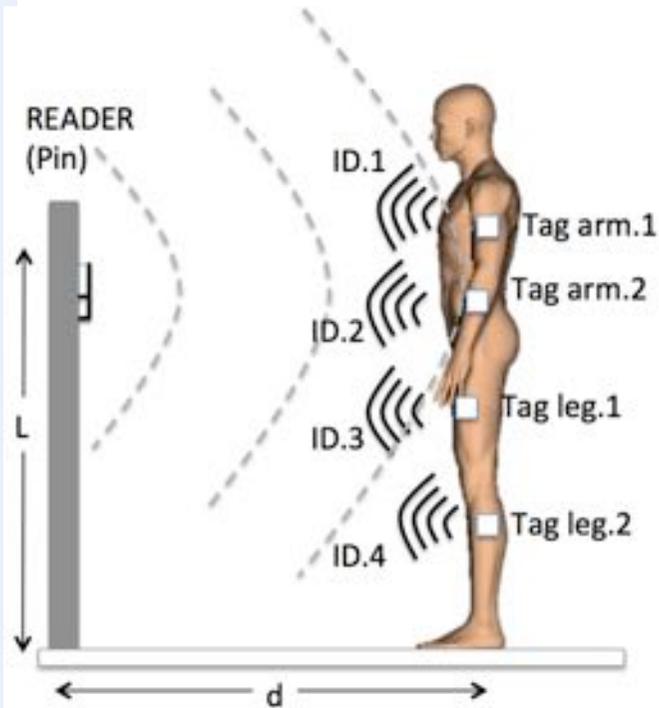
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Motion-detection and Gesture Recognition

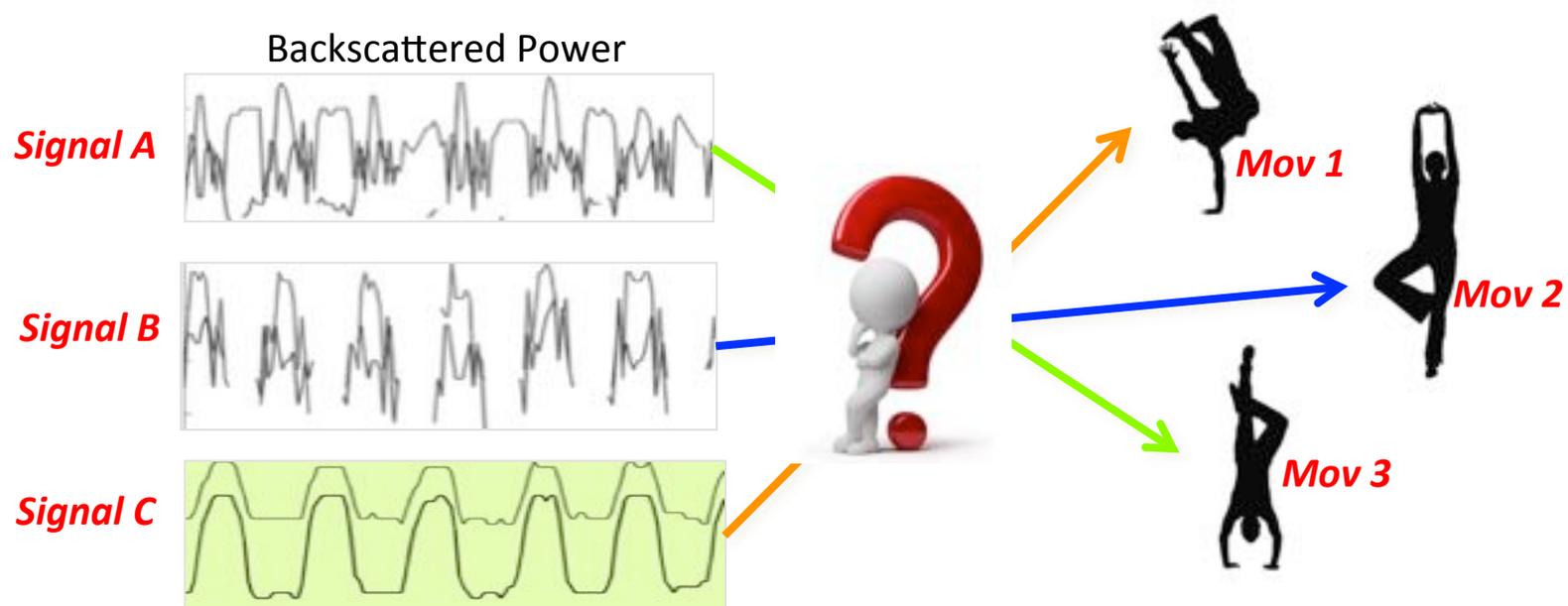


Classification of body motion



Classification Method (Data Analytics)

The term classifier refers to the problem of identifying to which one within a predefined set of movements type an observation belongs

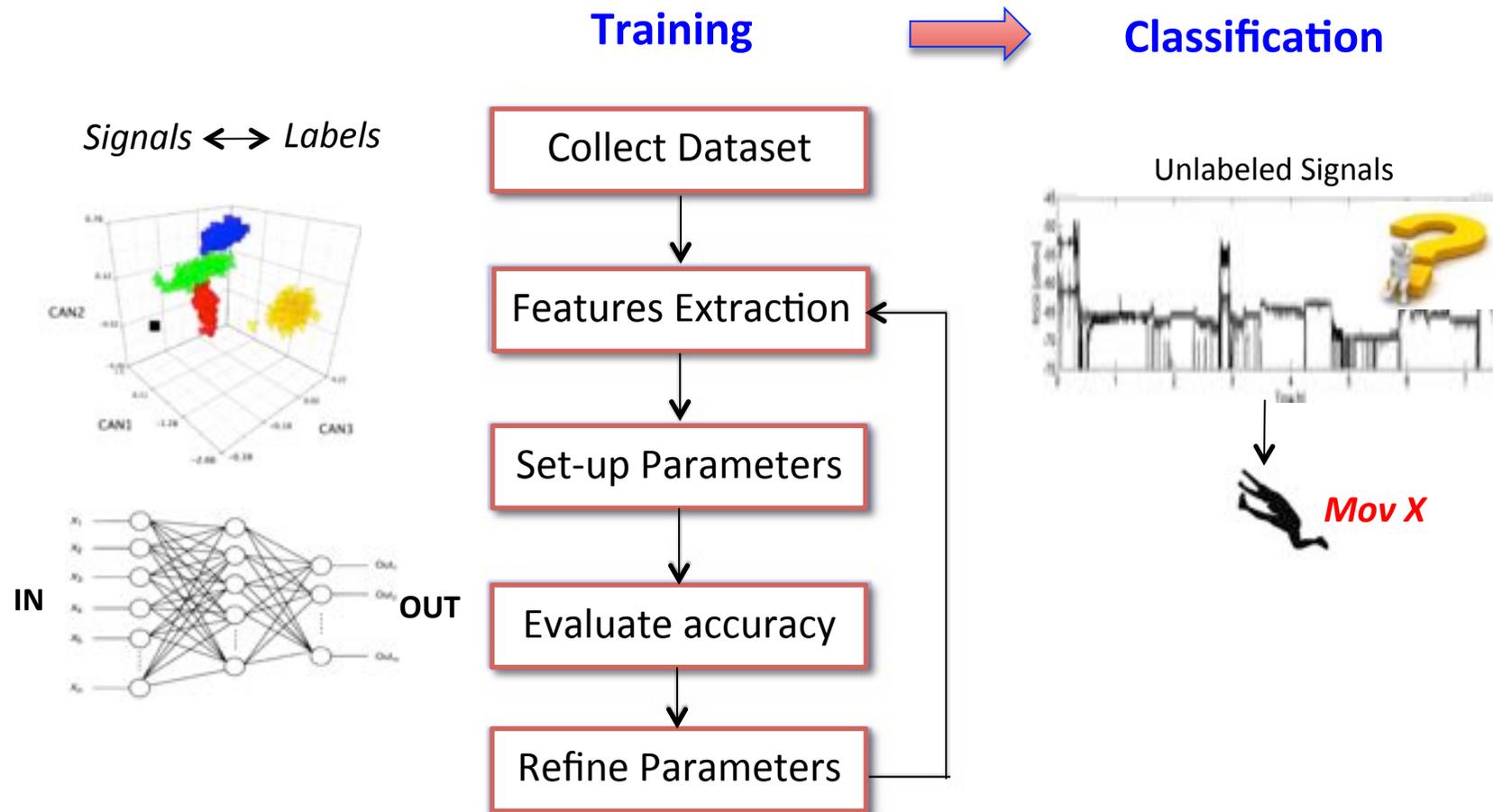


.. Borrowed from the BRAIN COMPUTER INTERFACE (Machine Learning)



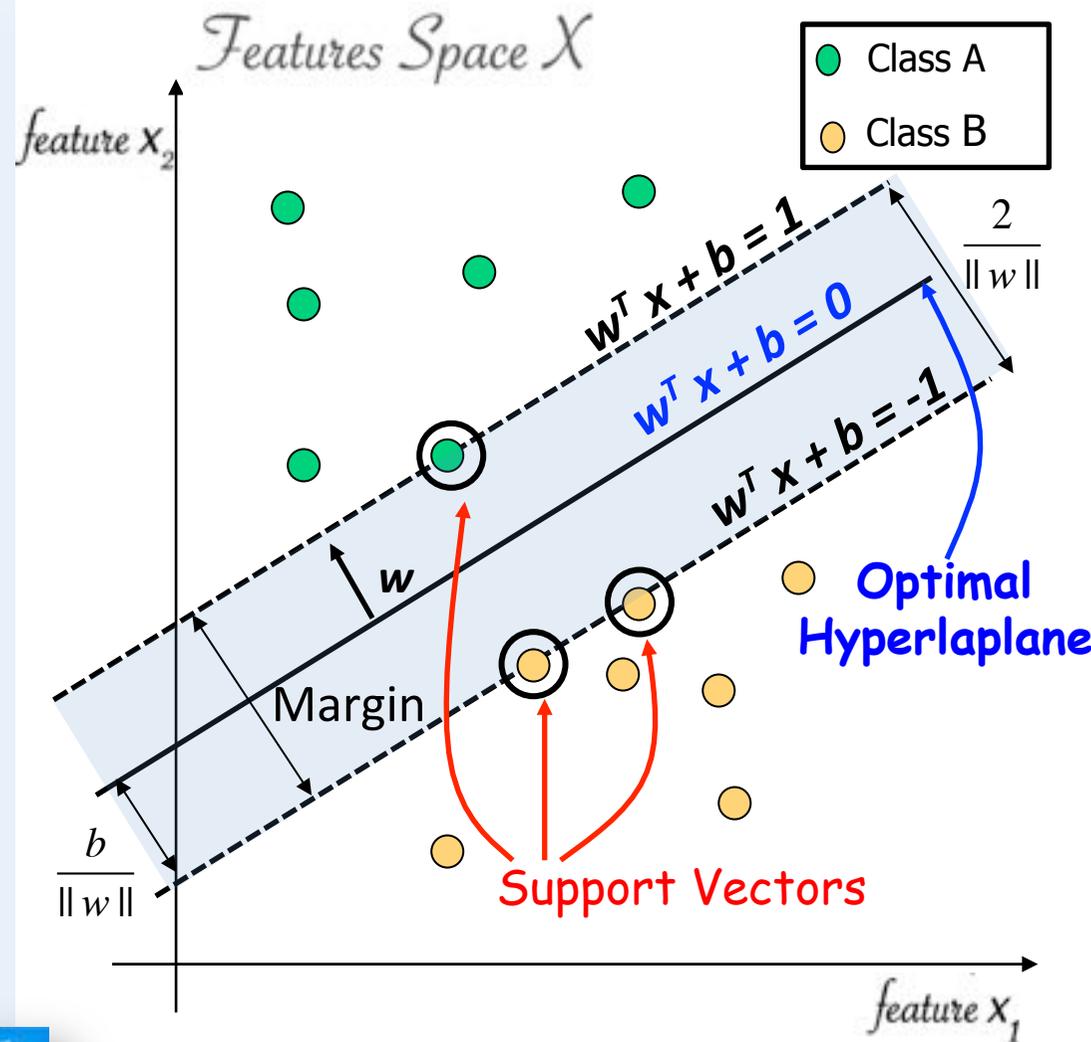
Classification Method

Supervised Learning Paradigm



Classification Method

SUPPORT VECTOR MACHINE (SVM)



Original Formulation¹:

- Binary classification
- Linear separability of datapoints

How to choose the best hyperplane?

Maximum-Margin Hyperplane

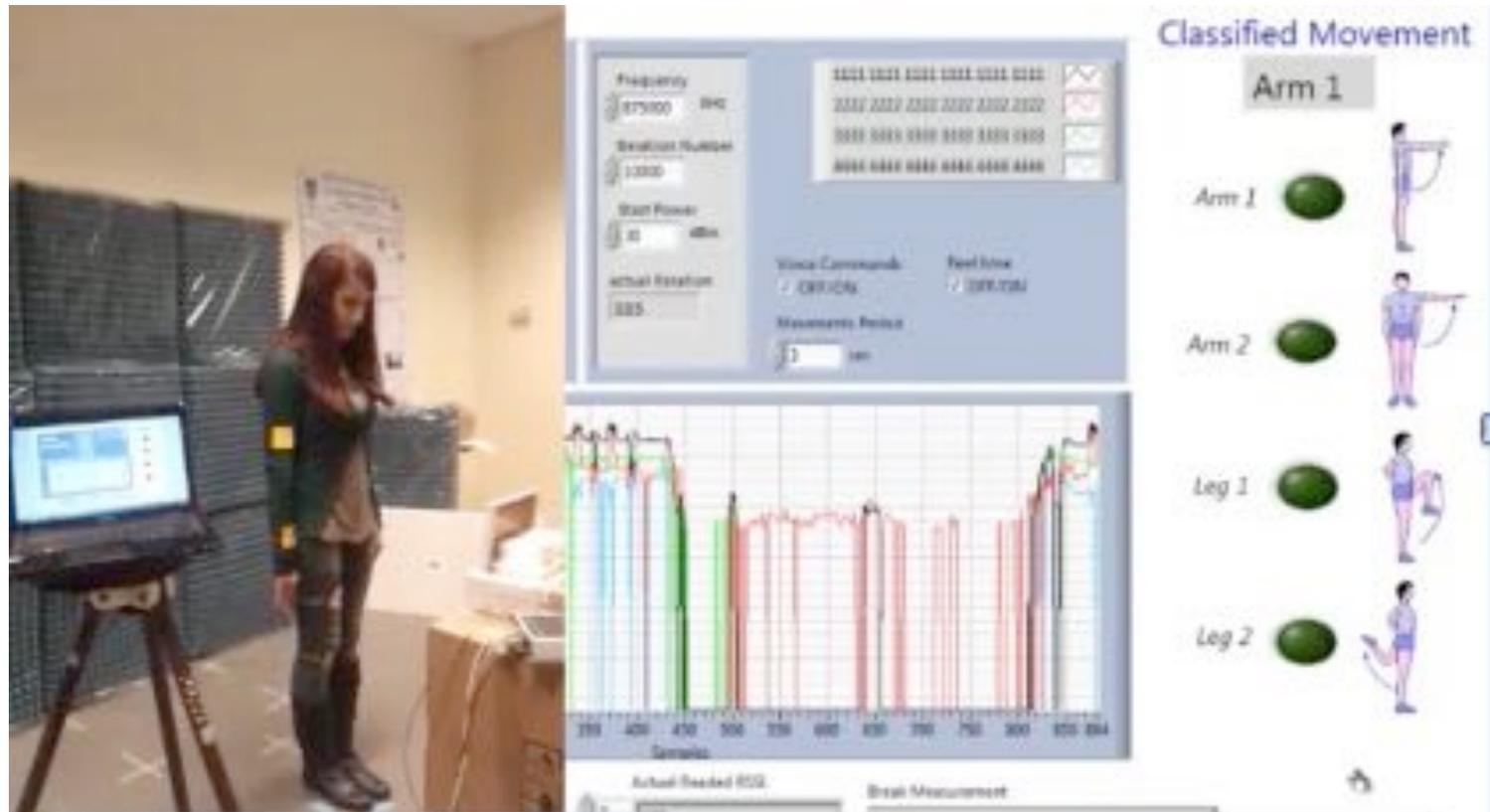
$$\min_{w \in \mathbb{R}^n, b \in \mathbb{R}} \|w\|^2$$

$$\text{subject to } y_i (w \cdot x_i - b) \geq 1$$

Quadratic constrained
Optimization Problem



Classification of body motion



- Electromagnetics + Neuroscience
- Application of **Machine Learning** algorithms

→ [video](#)



Ambient Modulation

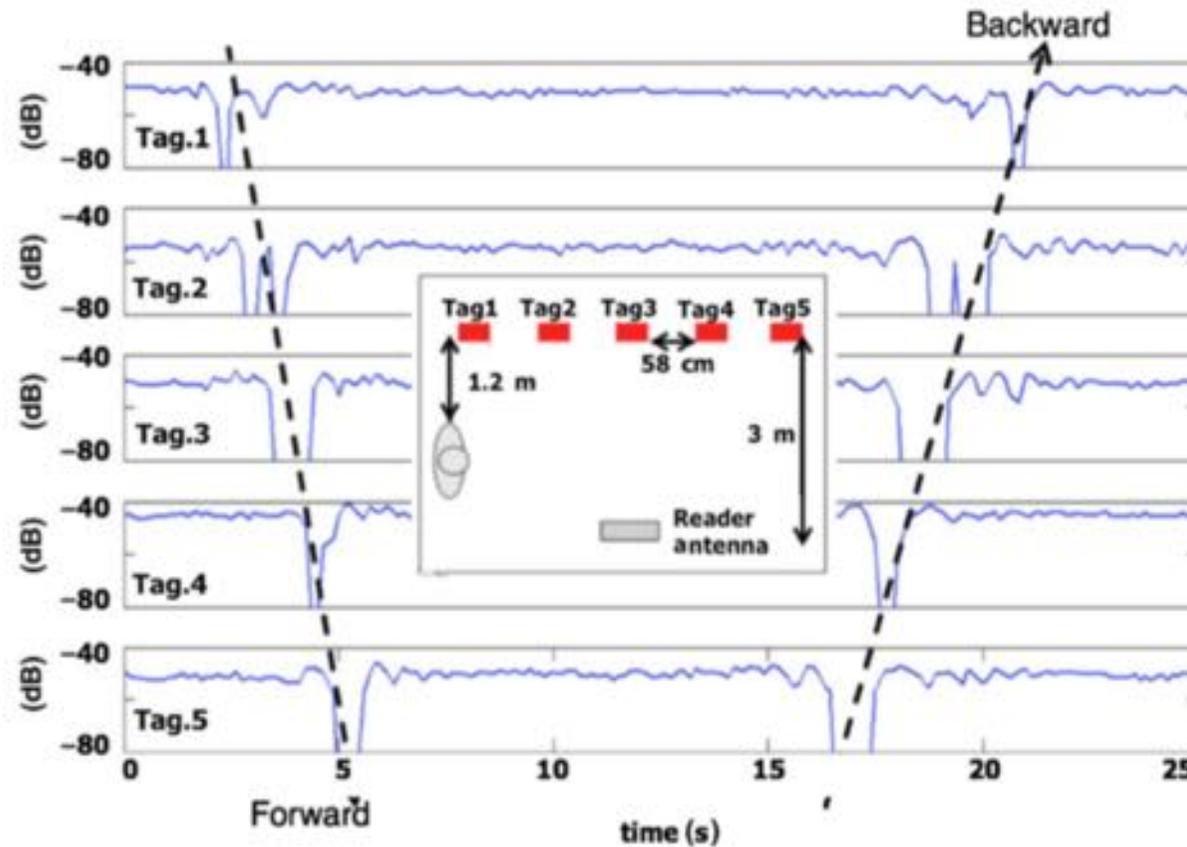
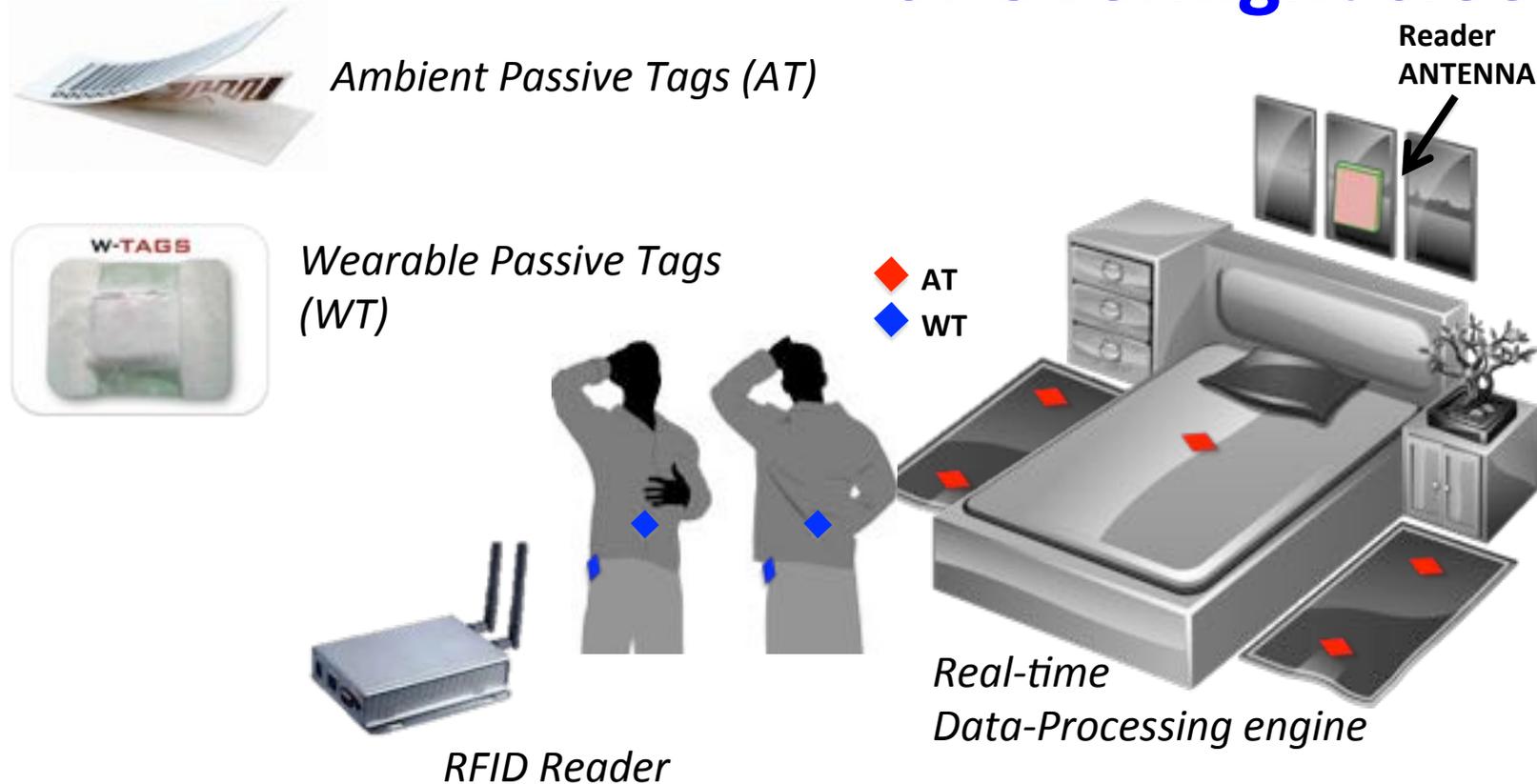


Fig. 7. Backscattered power variation from a linear cluster of tags attached on the wall during the walk of a subject into a corridor. The sequence of the nulls carries information about the direction of motion (delays among nulls) and velocity (slope of the enveloping line through the nulls)



Multi-channel monitor of Overnight sleep



The backscattered response of the tags to the reader's query is modified by the proximity of the human body with the tags themselves.

Goal: extract information about motion and about specific *postures* during the sleep.



EM Models



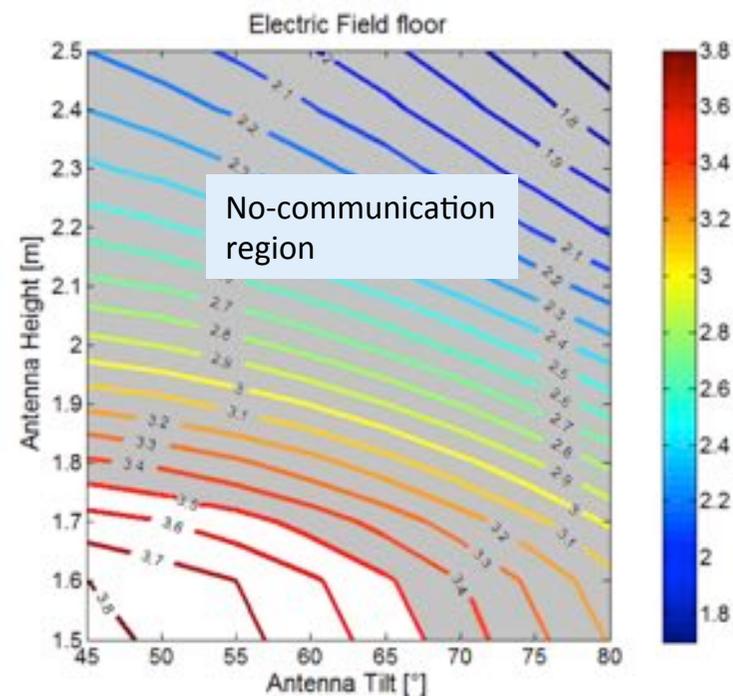
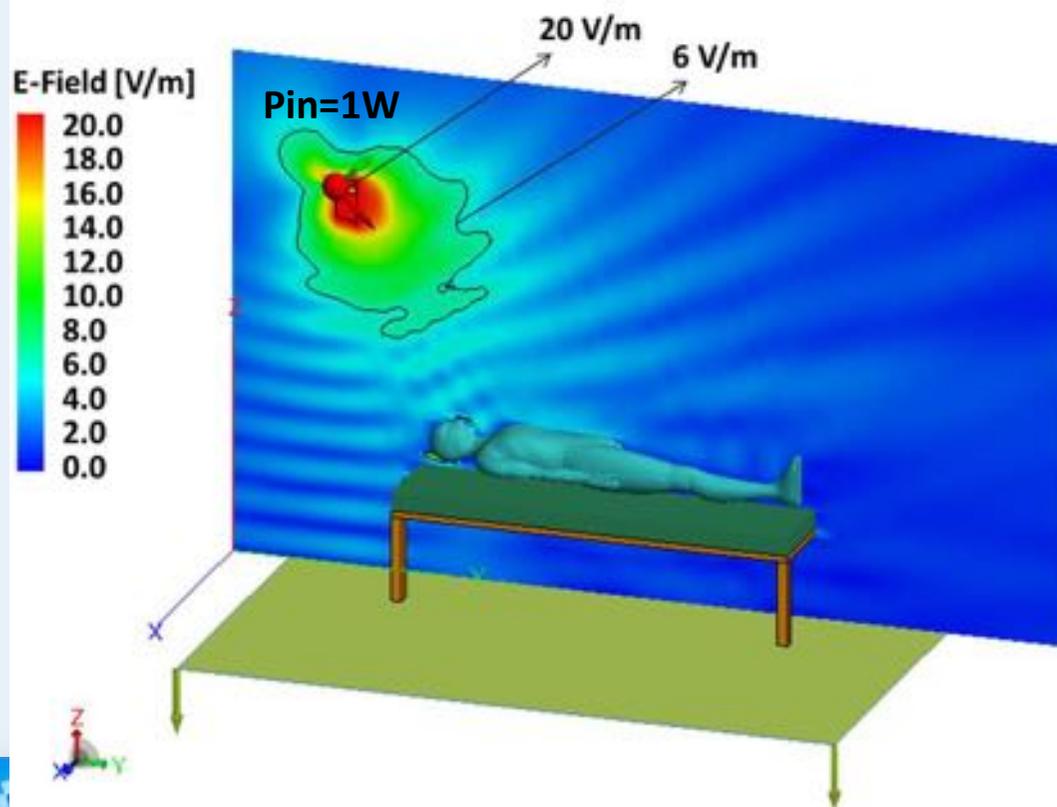
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European Recommendations:

- $|E| < 41 \text{ V/m}$

Italian Law: 1 interrogation per second

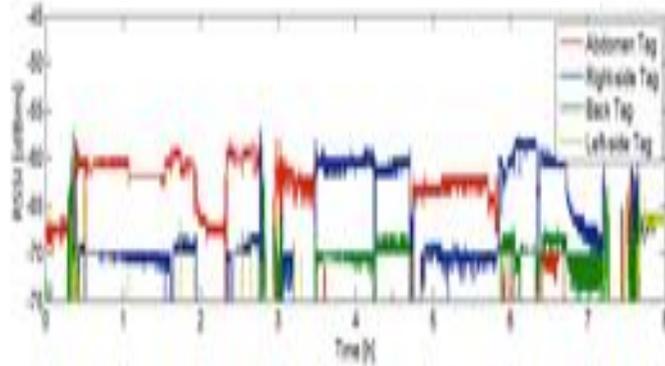
- $|E| < 6 \text{ V/m}$



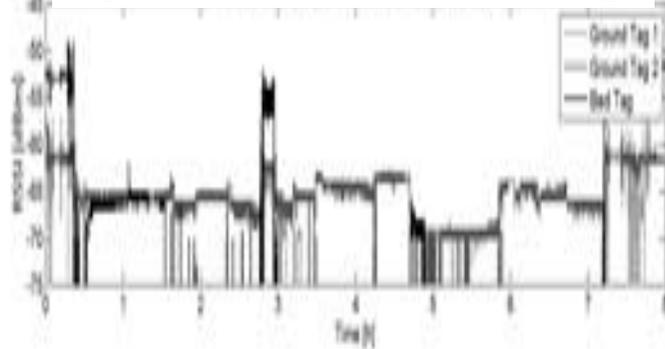
$45^\circ < \text{Tilt} < 65^\circ$
 $1.5\text{m} < \text{height} < 1.75\text{m}$

Multi-channel Proc.

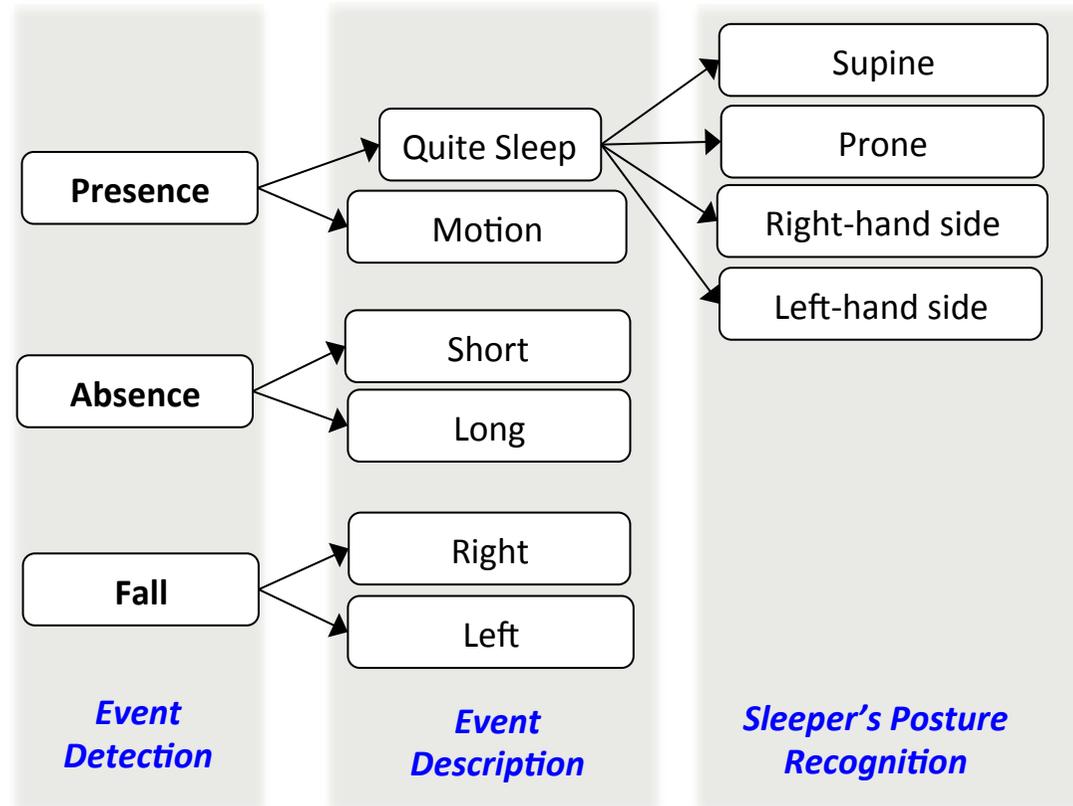
Signal from wearable tags



Signal from Environment tags



Filtering
Threshold
Classification

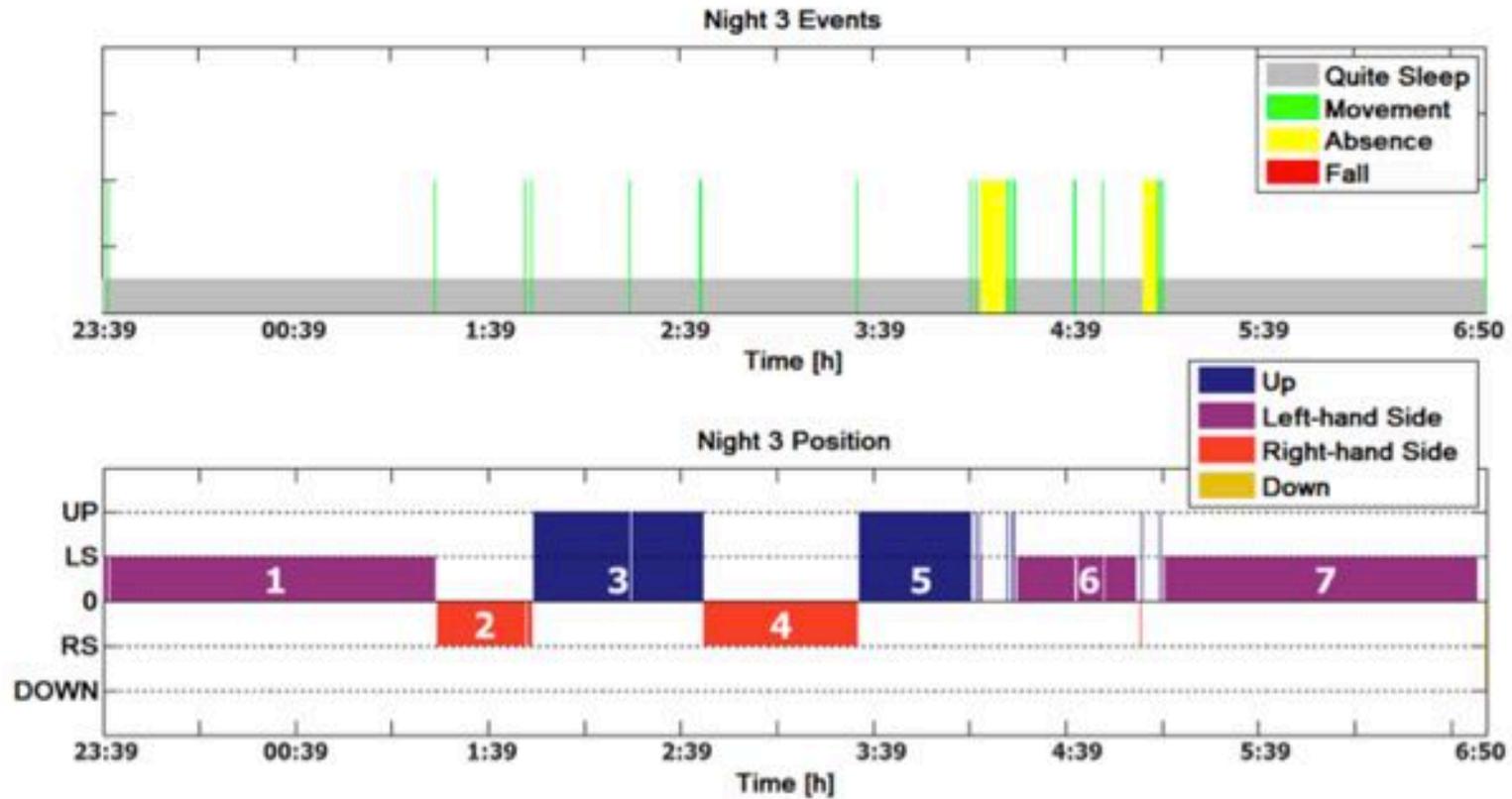


- User's state
- Activity and quite sleep conditions

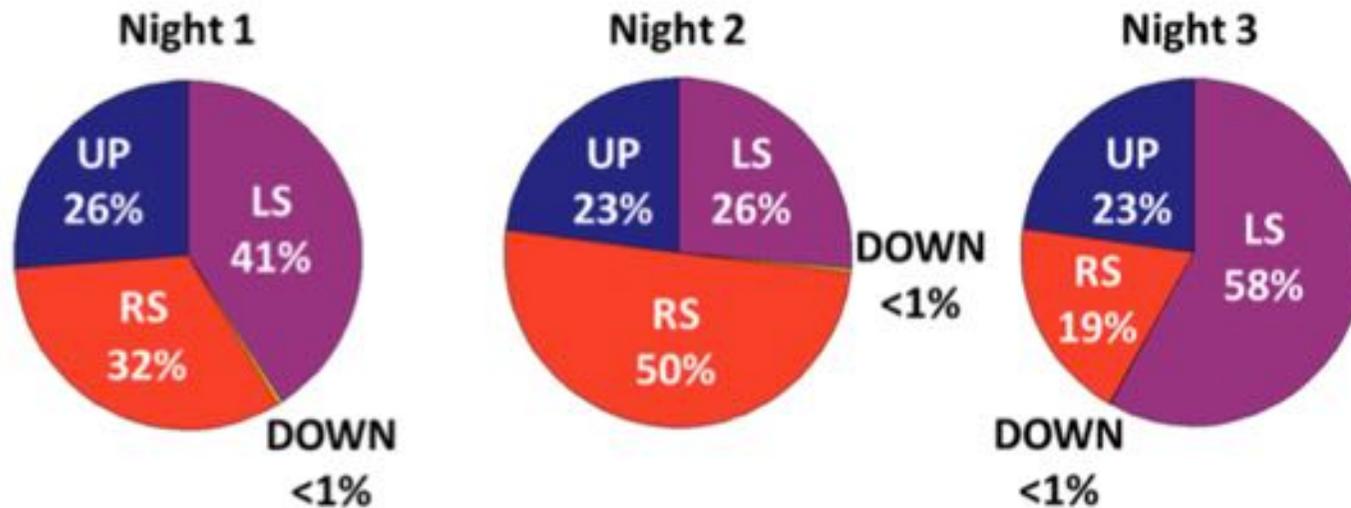
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Young Subject in Domestic Environment



Elder Subject in Nursing House

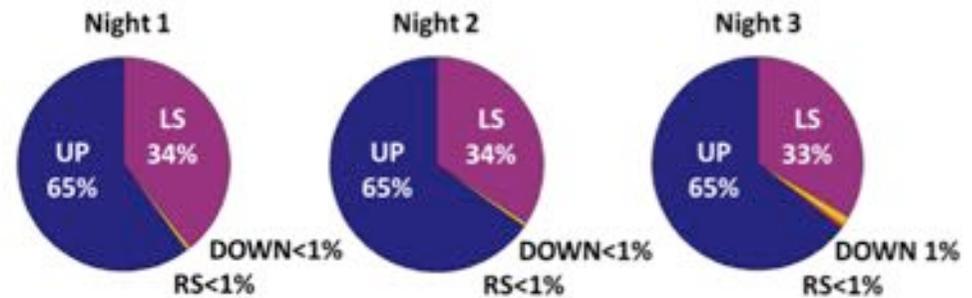
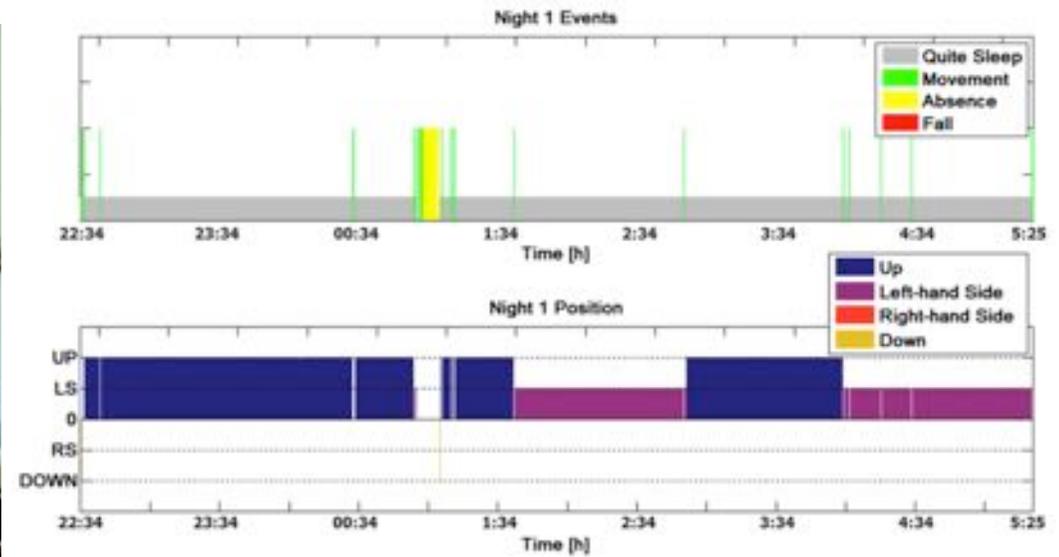
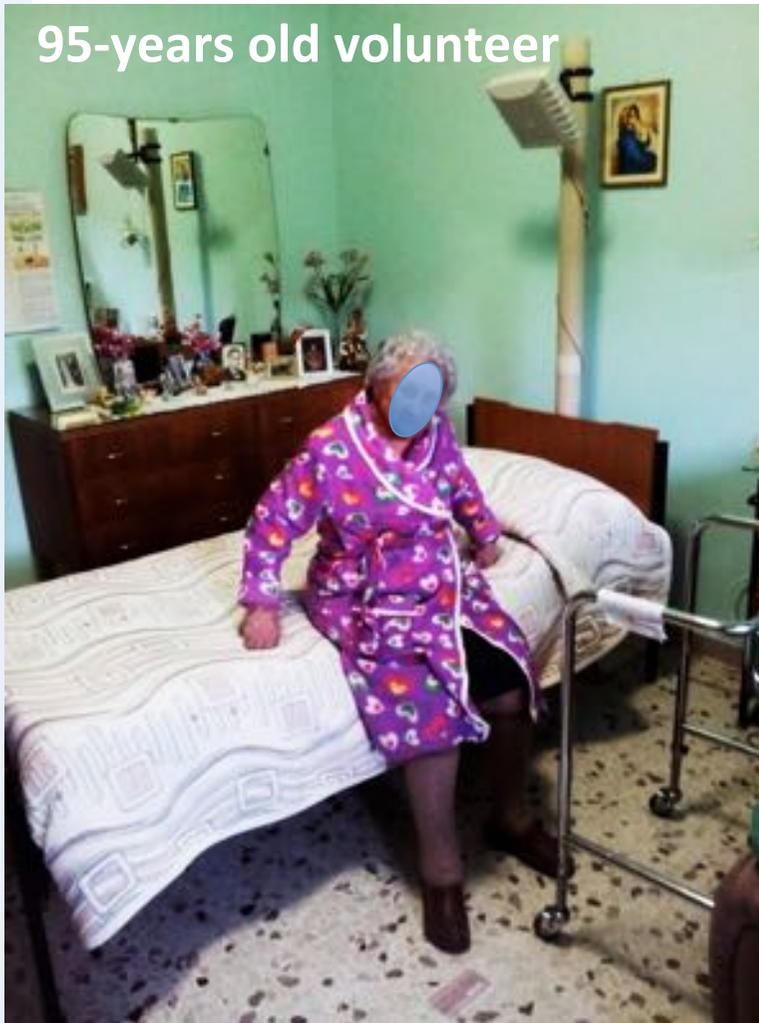


| Night | Time | Absence | Number of movements |
|-------|------------|---|---------------------|
| 1 | 23:10-6:50 | 23:20-23:23 23:44-23:47 1:20-1:27 | about 12 |
| 2 | 23:20-6:50 | 23:46-23:51 2:50-2:54 | about 8 |
| 3 | 23:39-6:50 | 4:12-4:20 5:03-5:08 | about 7 |

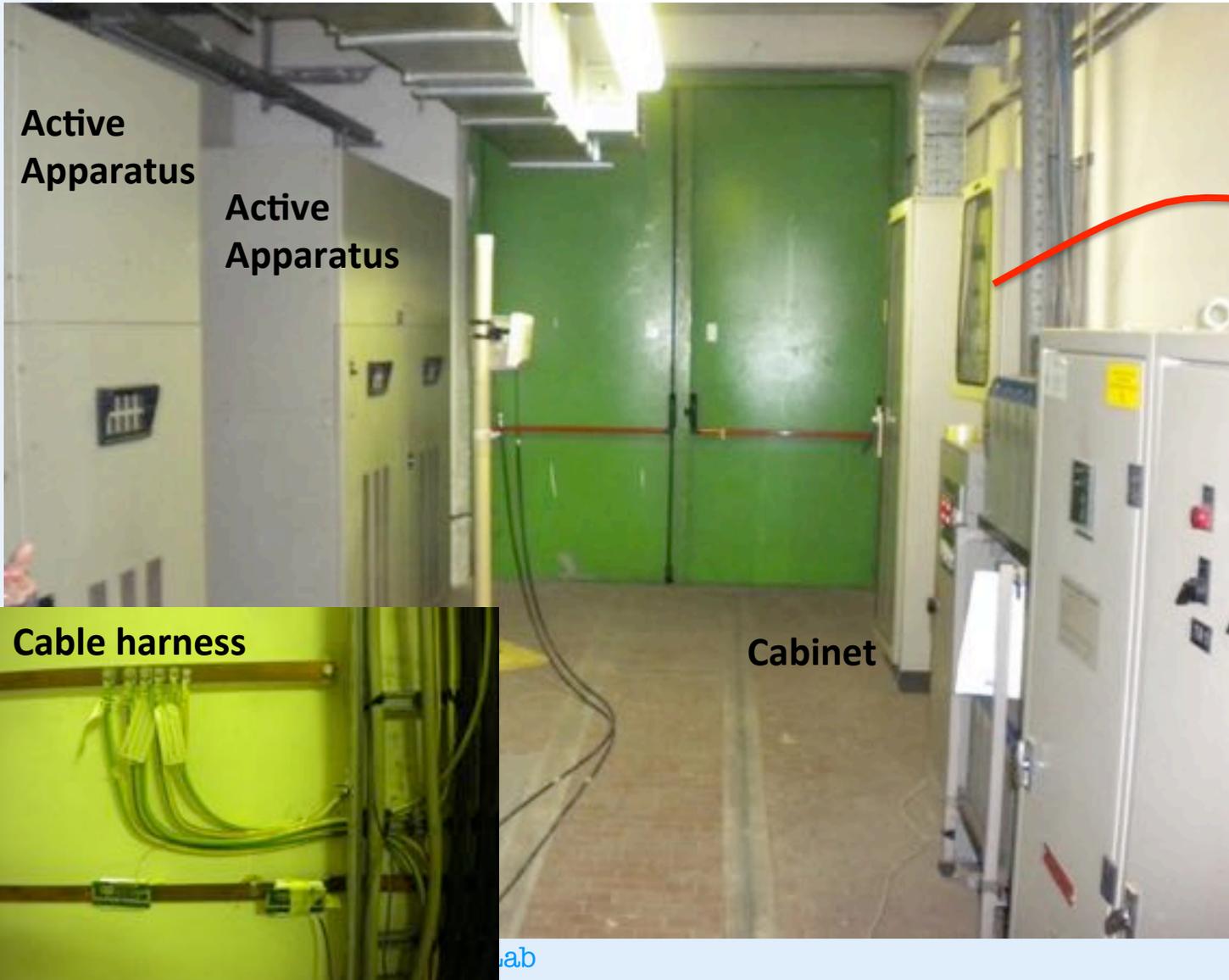


Aged volunteer

95-years old volunteer



Advanced Human-Things Interactions and multi-parameters monitoring



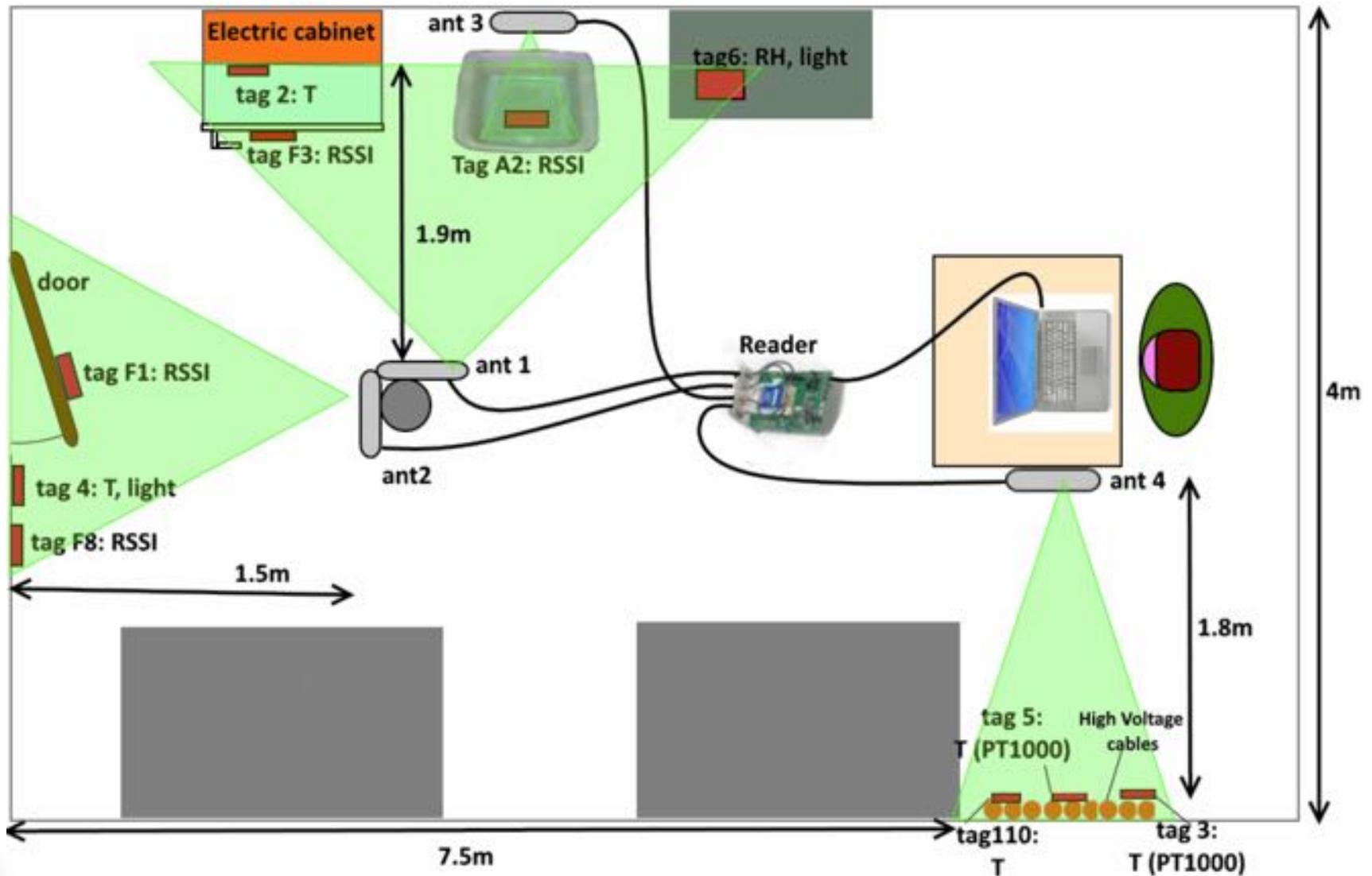
Cabinet
With internal
devices



Cable harness

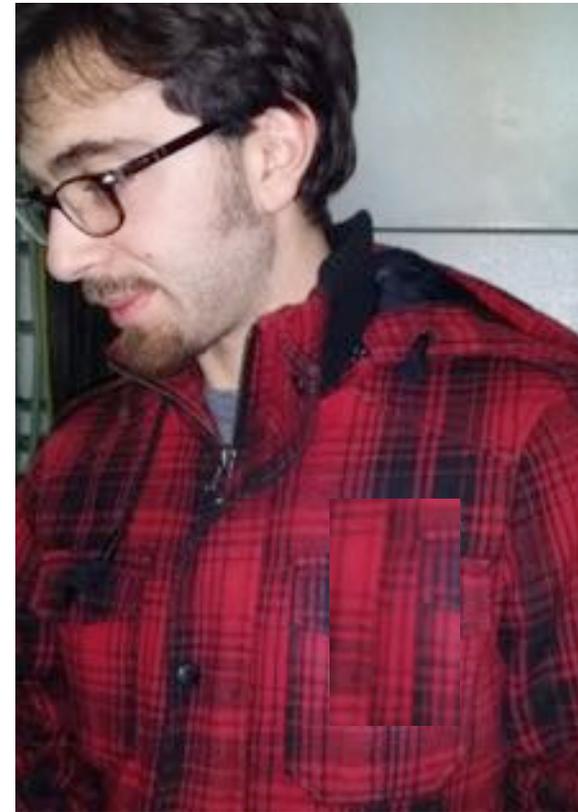
Antennas coverage

N.4 switchable surveillance antennas





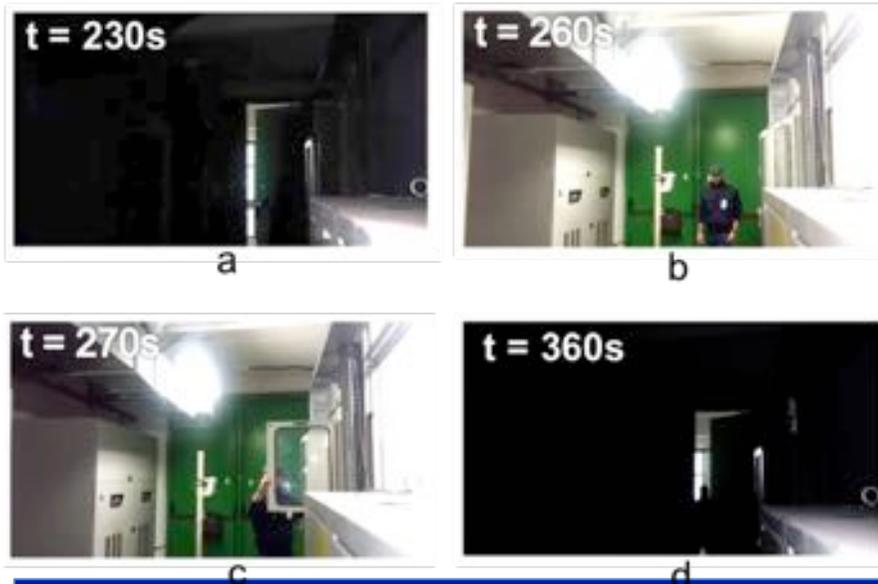
ROSARIO
the maintenance technician
(*authorized personnel*)
badge



STEFANO
the intruder
(*un-authorized personnel*)
No badge

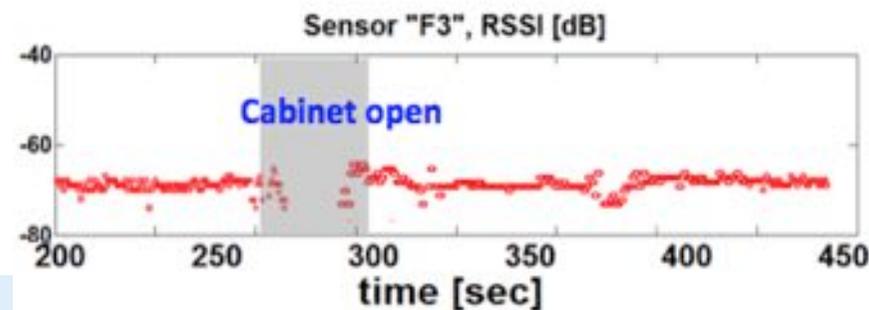
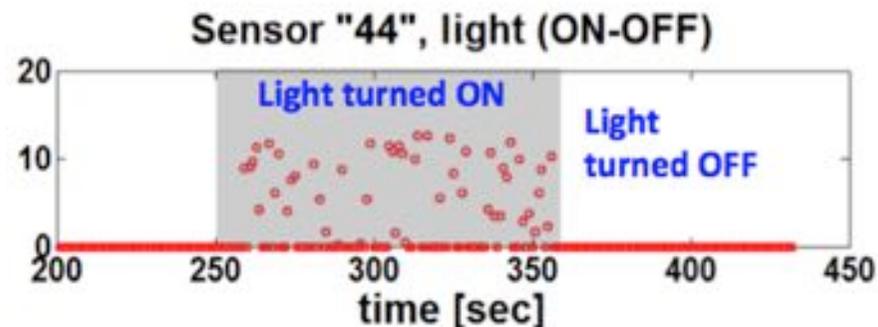
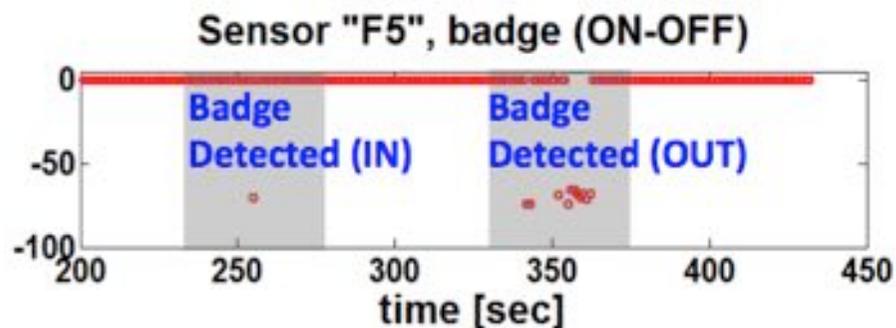
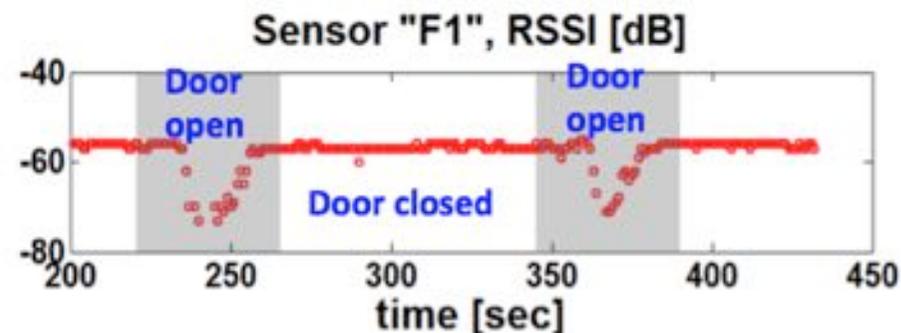


Authorized access

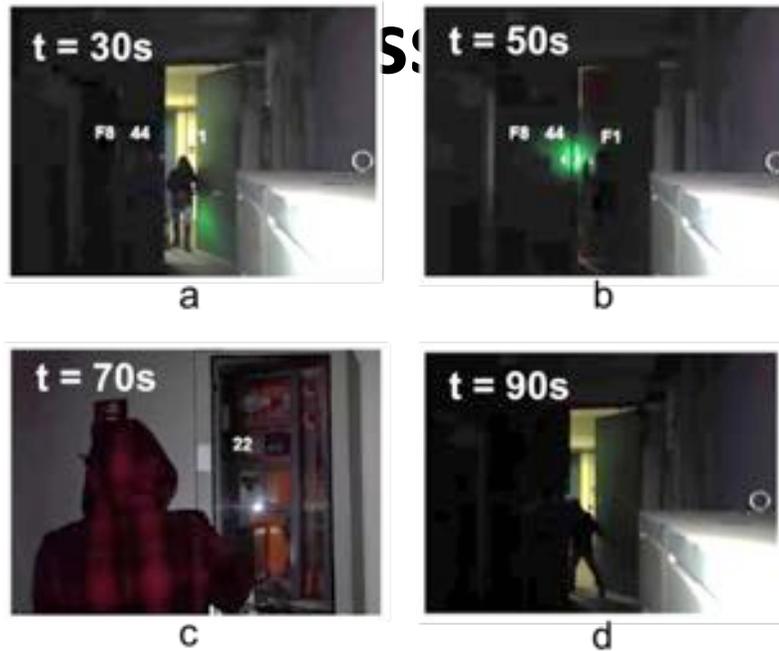


Human-based Semantic Analysis

1. Door open: somebody inside
2. Badge detection: the system recognizes the technician
3. The technician turns on the light
4. The technician opens a cabinet
5. The technician get close the exit door and turns-off the light; the system records the exit

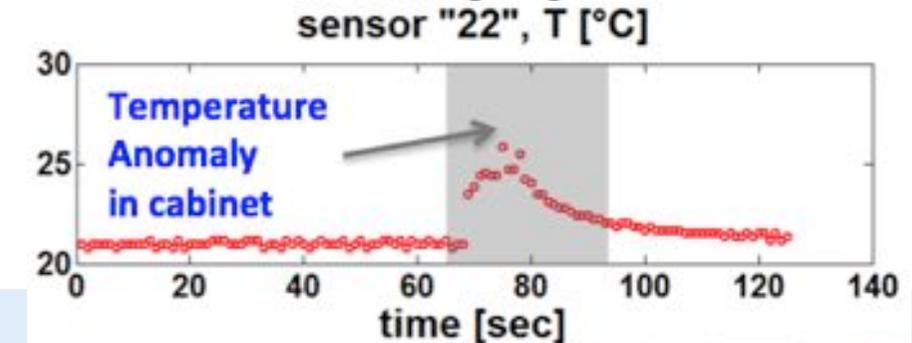
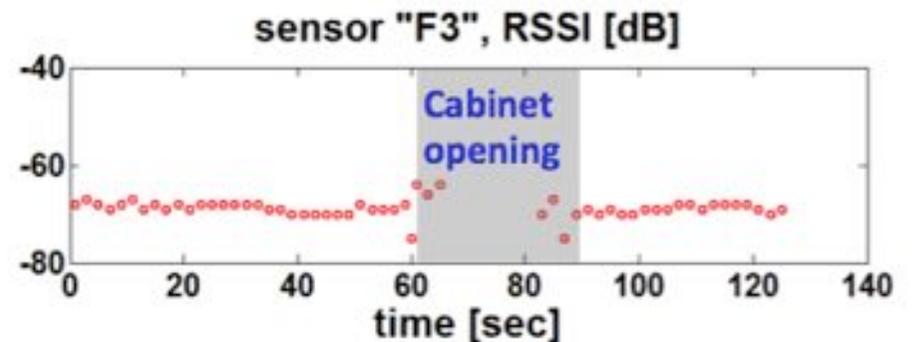
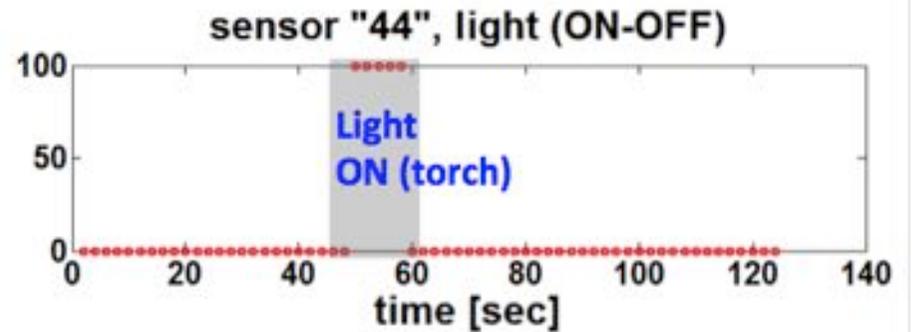
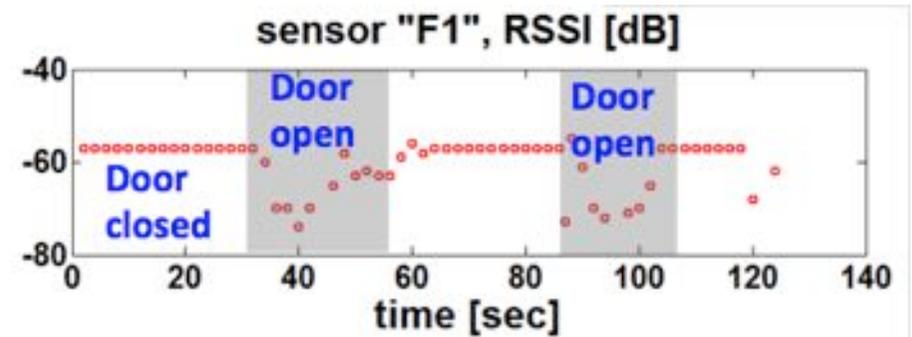


Un-authorized



Human-based Semantic Analysis

1. Open door: somebody inside
2. No badge detection: the person is not authorized and may be classified as *intruder*
3. The intruder turns on the light for a short time: maybe uses a torch
4. The intruder opens a cabinet
5. The temperature inside the cabinet increases: possible manumission
6. The intruder opens the door and exits.



That's all !

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