

# Welcome to Biosensor presentation



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# 1. What is a Biosensor?

*A biosensor is a self-contained integrated device that is capable of providing specific quantitative or semi-quantitative analytical information using a biological recognition element which is in direct spatial contact with a transduction element (IUPAC, 1996)*



**1) Biosensor  $\neq$  Bioanalytical system**

**2) An enzyme electrode is a biosensor**

# 2. Historical background



- 1970 Discovery of ion-sensitive field-effect transistor (ISFET) by Bergveld
- 1975 Fibre-optic biosensor for carbon dioxide and oxygen detection by Lubbers and Opitz [8]
- 1975 First commercial biosensor for glucose detection by YSI
- 1975 First microbe-based immunosensor by Suzuki et al.
- 1982 Fibre-optic biosensor for glucose detection by Schultz
- 1983 Surface plasmon resonance (SPR) immunosensor by Liedberg et al.
- 1984 First mediated amperometric biosensor: ferrocene used with glucose oxidase for glucose detection
- 1990 SPR-based biosensor by Pharmacia Biacore
- 1992 Handheld blood biosensor by i-STAT

# Father of the Biosensor

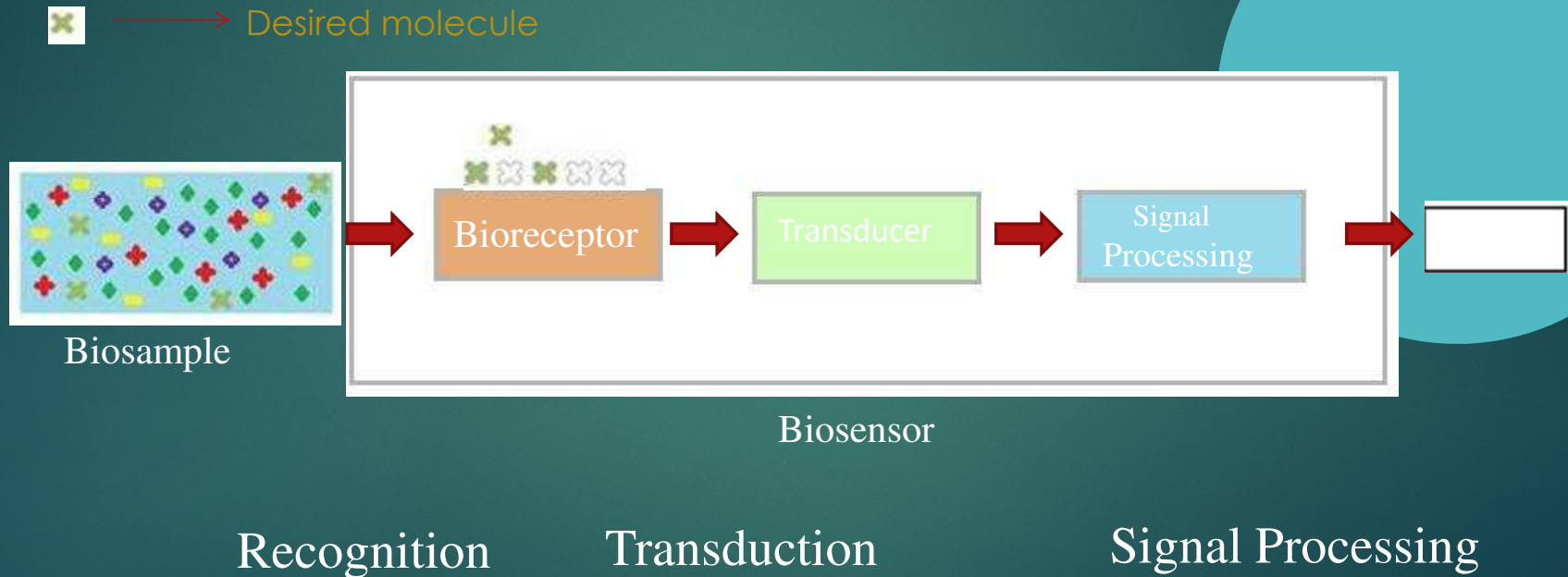


**Professor Leland C Clark Jr**  
**1918–2005**



# 3. Introduction to Biosensors

A biosensor is an analytical device which is used to determine the presence and concentration of a specific substance in a biological analyte



# 4. Basic Characteristics of a Biosensor

## 1. LINEARITY

Linearity of the sensor should be high for the detection of high substrate concentration.

## 2. SENSITIVITY

Value of the electrode response per substrate concentration.

## 3. SELECTIVITY

Chemicals Interference must be minimised for obtaining the correct result.

## 4. RESPONSE TIME

Time necessary for having 95% of the response.

# 4.1 Basic Characteristics of a Biosensor

## 1. The Analyte

(What do you want to detect)

Molecule - Protein, toxin, peptide, vitamin, sugar, metal ion

## 2. Sample handling

(How to deliver the analyte to the sensitive region?)

(Micro) fluidics - Concentration increase/decrease), Filtration/selection

## 3. Detection/Recognition

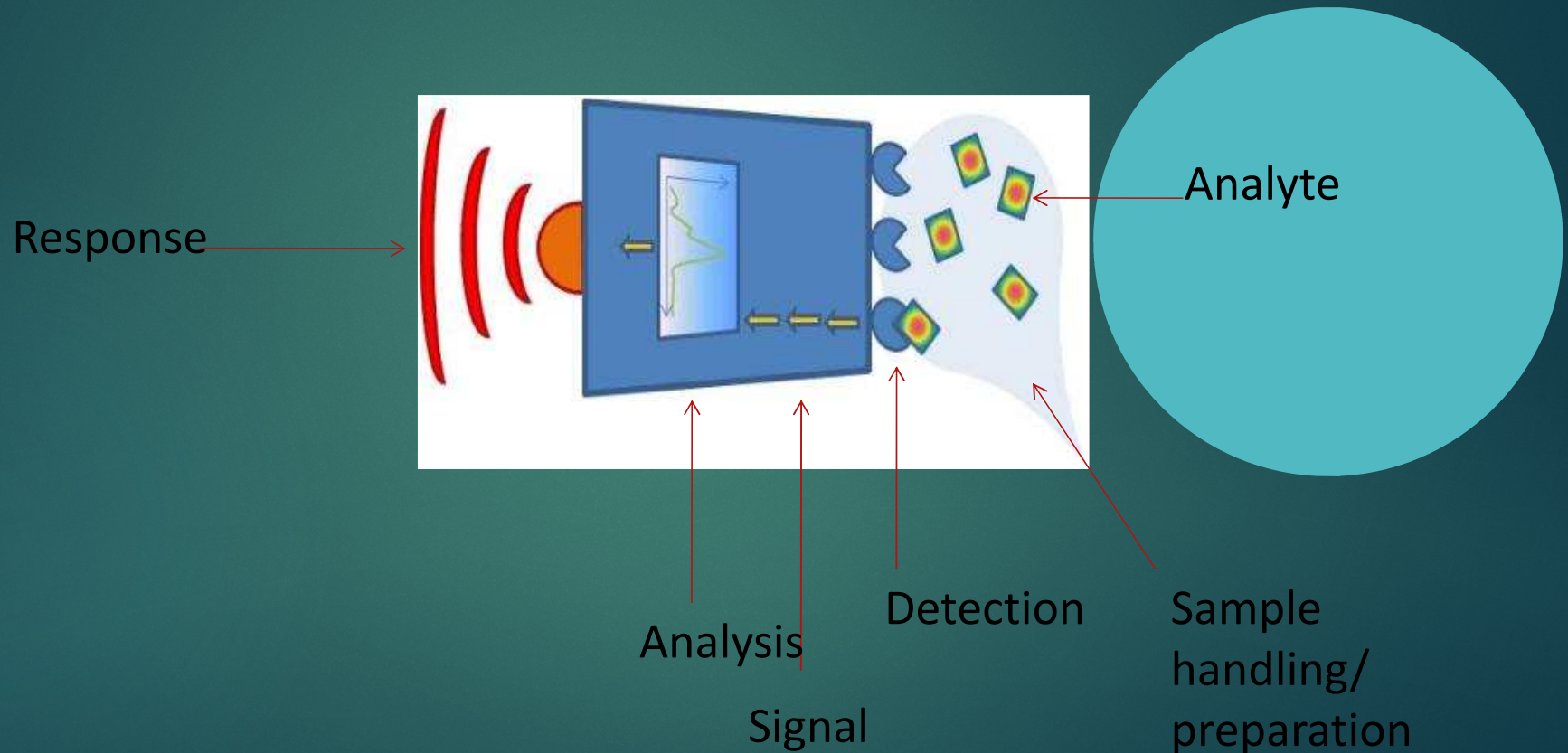
(How do you specifically recognize the analyte?)

## 4. Signal

(How do you know there was a detection)



# 4.2 Basic Characteristics of a Biosensor



# 4.3 Basic Characteristics of a Biosensor

## COMPONENTS

Biosensor Consists of 3 parts:

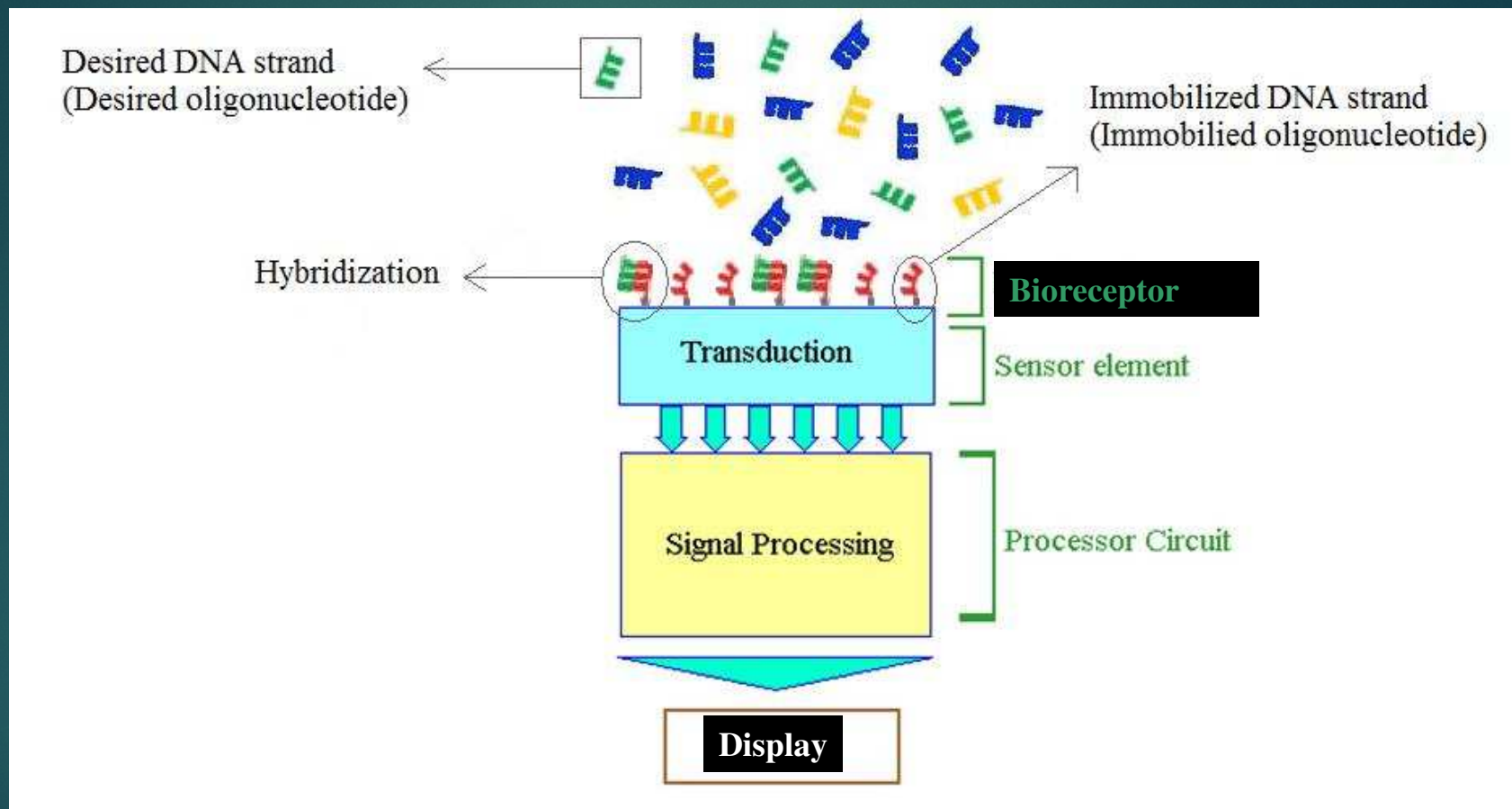
1. Biological component
2. Physiochemical component.
3. Signal processor.





# 5. Operating principles: Bioreactors

# 5.1 Bioreceptors



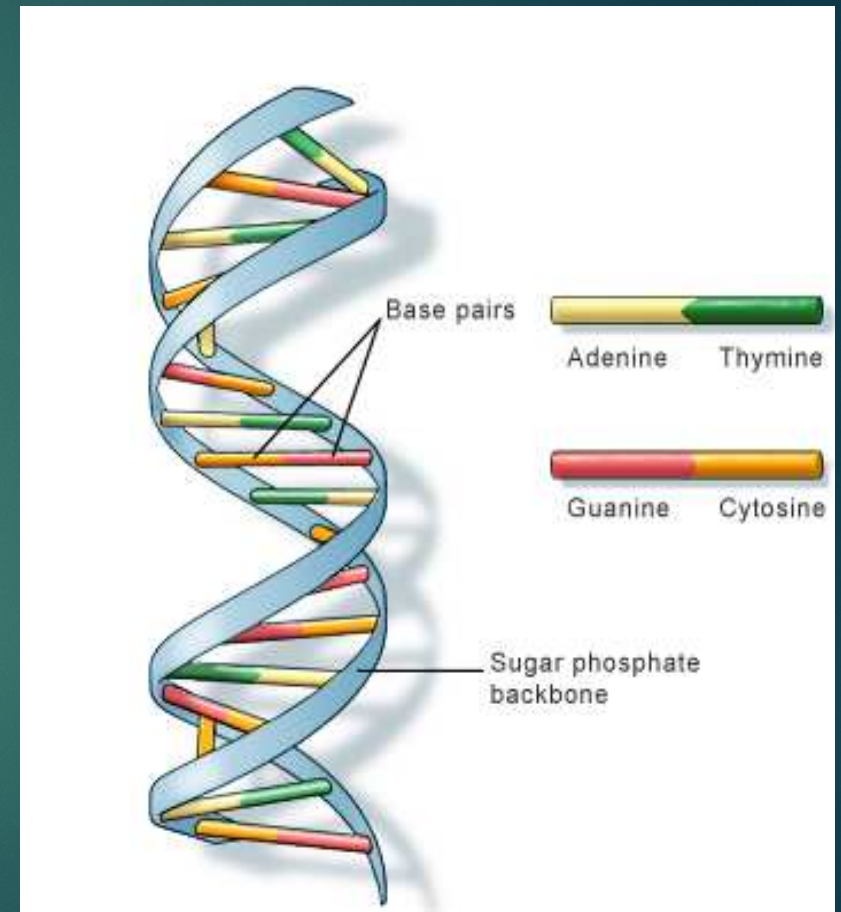
# 5.2 Bioreceptors

## ➤ DNA structure

Another biorecognition mechanism involves hybridization of deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) or ribonucleic acid (RNA), which are the building blocks of genetics.

Four chemical bases:

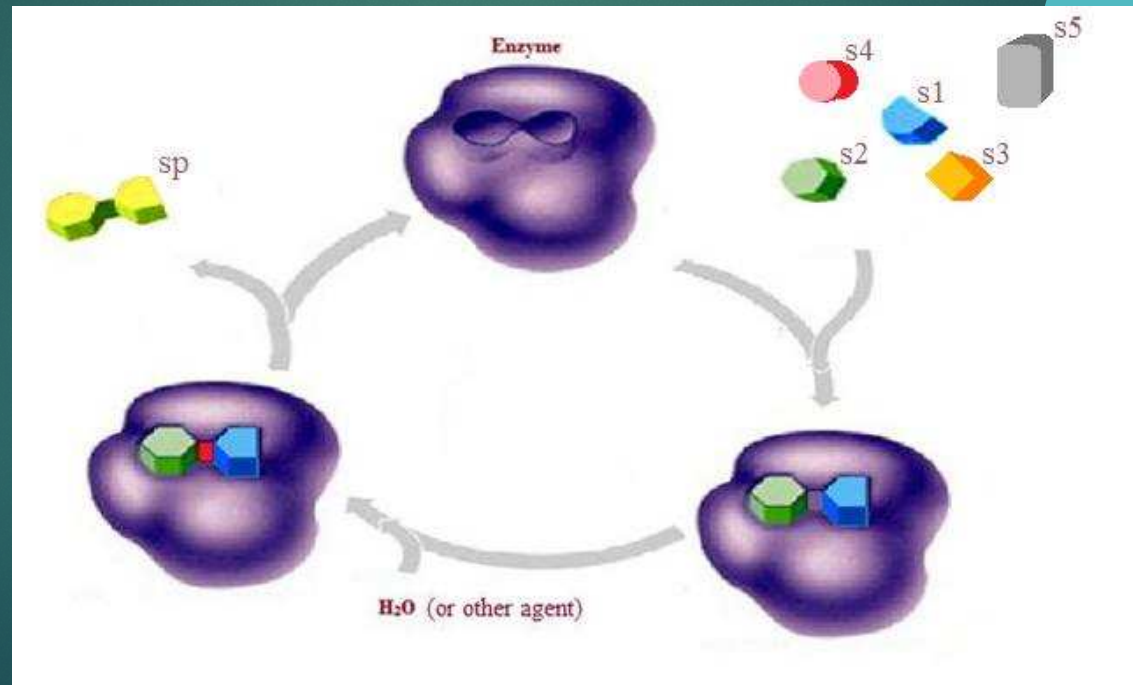
- ▶ adenine(A), guanine (G),
- ▶ cytosine (C), and thymine (T)



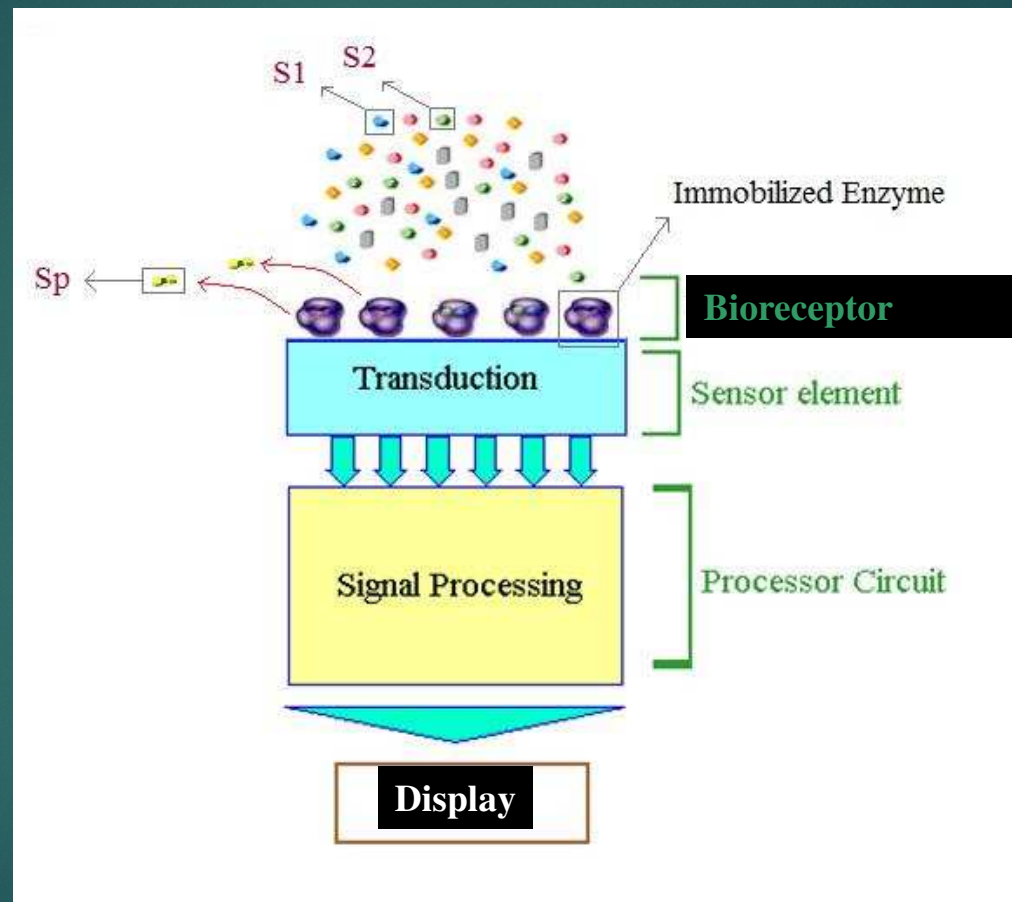
# 5.3 Bioreceptors

## ➤ Enzyme

Enzyme is a large protein molecule that acts as a catalyst in chemical reactions. Enzymes are often chosen as bioreceptors based on their specific binding capabilities as well as their catalytic activity



# 5.4 Bioreceptors



## 6. Typical Sensing Techniques for Biosensors

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



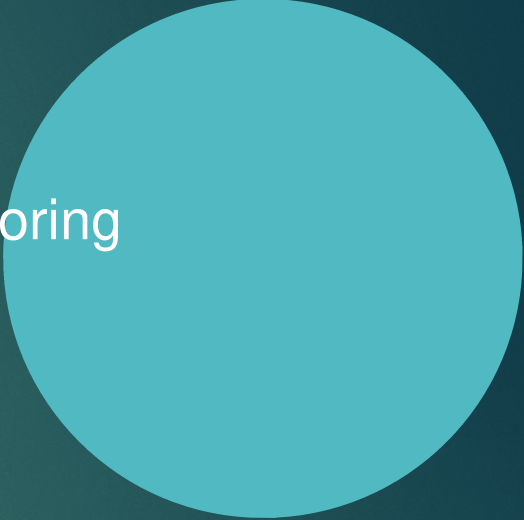
## 7. Types of Biosensors

1. Calorimetric Biosensor
2. Potentiometric Biosensor
3. Amperometric Biosensor
4. Optical Biosensor
5. Piezo-electric Biosensor



# 8.1 Potential Applications



- Clinical diagnostics
  - Food and agricultural processes
  - Environmental (air, soil, and water) monitoring
  - Detection of warfare agents.
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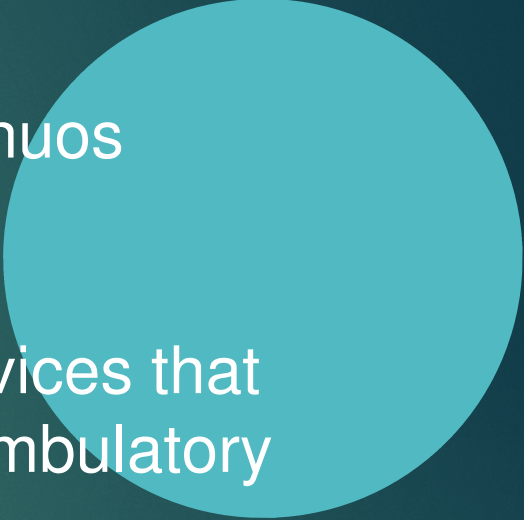
## 8.2 Potential Applications



- remote monitoring of patients.
- training support for athlete
- monitoring of individuals who work with hazardous elements.
- tracking of professional truck driver's vital
- signs to alert them of fatigue.

## 8.3 Potential Applications



- Use of wearable monitoring devices allow continuous monitoring of physiological signals
  - Wearable systems are totally non-obtrusive devices that allow physicians to overcome the limitation of ambulatory technology
  - Detects events predictive of possible worsening of the patient's clinical situations
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# 9.1 Example of biosensors



## Pregnancy test

Detects the hCG protein in urine.



## Glucose monitoring device (for diabetes patients)

Monitors the glucose level in the blood.

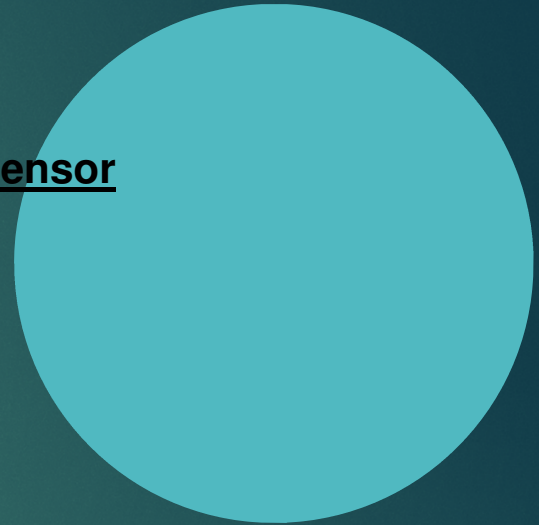
# 9.3 Example of biosensors



Infectious disease biosensor  
from RBS



Old time coal miners' biosensor



# 10.1 Wearable Biosensor

## ➤ RING SENSOR:

It allows one to continuously monitor heart rate and oxygen saturation. The device is shaped like a ring



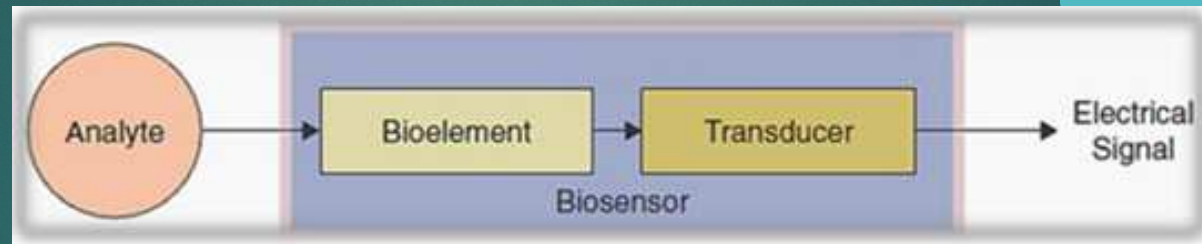
## ➤ SMART SHIRT:

This technology has been used to integrate sensors for monitoring the vital signs like temperature, heart rate and respiration rate



# 10.2 Wearable Biosensor

Biosensor is an analytical device, which converts a biological response into electrical signal





# 11. Other biosensors

- ▶ Cholesterol - based on cholesterol oxidase
- ▶ Antigen-antibody sensors - toxic substances, pathogenic bacteria
- ▶ Small molecules and ions in living things:  $H^+$ ,  $K^+$ ,  $Na^+$ ,  $CO_2$ ,  $H_2O_2$
- ▶ DNA hybridization and damage
- ▶ Micro or nanoarrays, optical abs or fluor.

**THANK YOU**

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