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Special Program in Applied Mathematics and Applied Mechanics

Approaches for the Biomedical Diagnosis and Detection in Resource-Limited Settings

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Attention toward health care in developing countries has grown intensively in recent years. Researchers have contributed extraordinary efforts to fight major diseases, enabled by the availability of cost-effective and high sensitive diagnostic systems for early discovery, timely treatment and prognosis monitoring to improve vector control. However, classic laboratory tests require costly and complex infrastructures, well-trained personnel, and a stable power source that are lacking in resource-constrained settings. In order to solve abovementioned difficulties, we address the need using a platform that is based on affordable, sensitive, specific, user-friendly, rapid and robust, equipment-free and deliverable to end-users manners using different approaches that combine nanocarbon field-effect transistors with cyclo olefin polymer based and paper-based analytical devices. In addition, different sensing mechanisms including device fabrication, surface chemistry and biomolecular recognition are also investigated to discern potential use for future applications.

