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Group 3

Biotechnology and Technology

Miniaturized Systems for Broadband Cell Inspection

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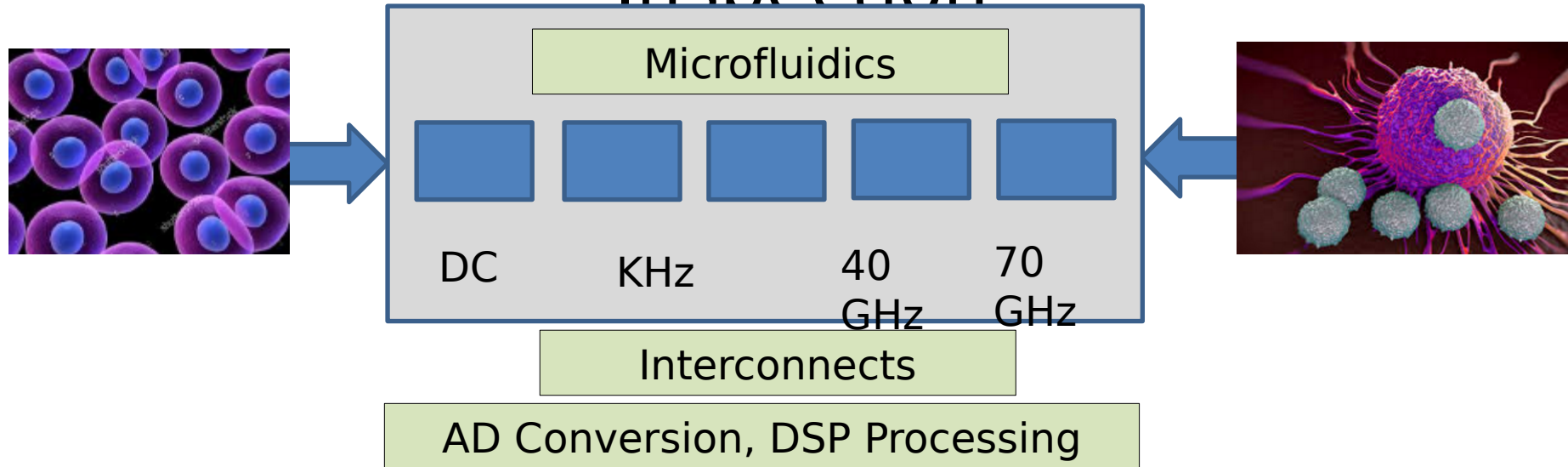
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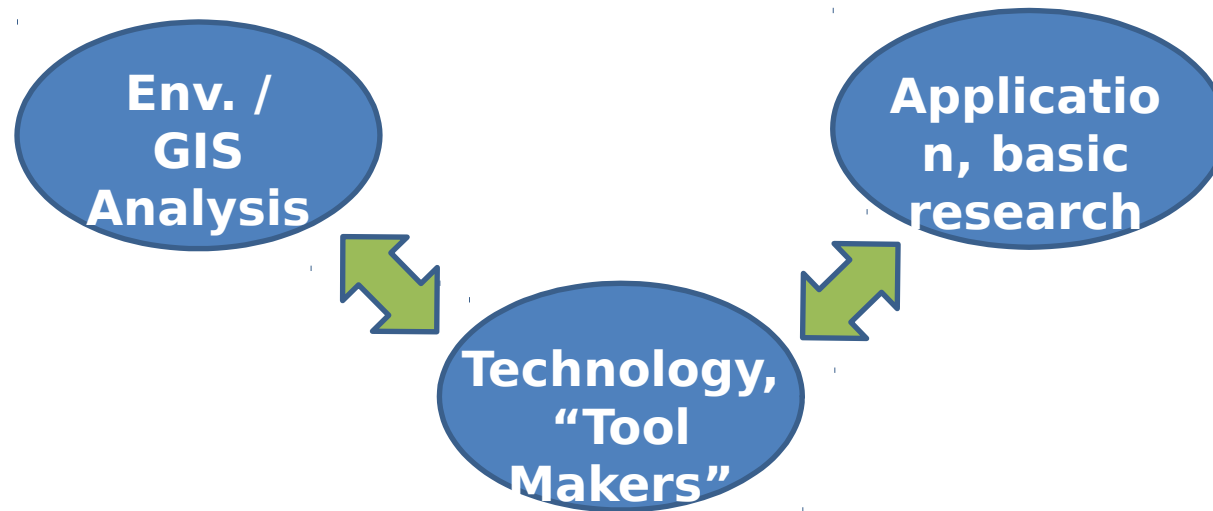
Current Status

On going Bilateral Research-Collaborations:

- NEM-TUHH & IE-TEC, electrical Impedance Spectroscopy, since 2013
- TET-TUHH & IE-TEC, Signal Integrity and High-Speed Interconnects, since 2006
- BIO/TB - TUHH & CENIBIOT, TCI-LUH & CENIBIOT, Production, Characterization and Scaling up of Bioenzymes, since 2016
- U Potsdam - TEC - UNA, characterization and measurement of samples, since 2015.

2nd Workshop, STI Platform

Joint Actions (all groups)



- Look for inter-group collaboration possibilities
- PPP program DAAD (student and research exchange)
- PhD scholarships from MICITT in collaboration with DAAD
- Transform workshop to joint conference on a regular basis (e.g. every two years)

Joint Actions (Group 3)

- Exploratory non-funded work as preamble to future collaborations
- Create competence groups and roadmap/focus for each group
- Networking events / Summer Schools
- Map funding possibilities
- Roadmap for 5 years with project proposal
- Formulation of research proposals
- Involve other professional organizations (e.g. IEEE)
- Explore SME-Academy funding schemes for future collaborations
- Orient to innovations/products

Capability-Map (Summary)

EM Theory,
TUHH

EM analysis, numerical modeling and simulation,
interconnect design

Nano EM,
TUHH

IC circuit design, embedded system design

Microsys.,
TUHH

Microfluidic design and fabrication

IE-TEC,
TUHH

IC Design, Prototype development and modeling,
system integration

EQ-TEC,
TUHH

Electrode chemical modification

CENIBIOT,
CeNAT

Enzyme production, characterization and scaling up,
biological assays

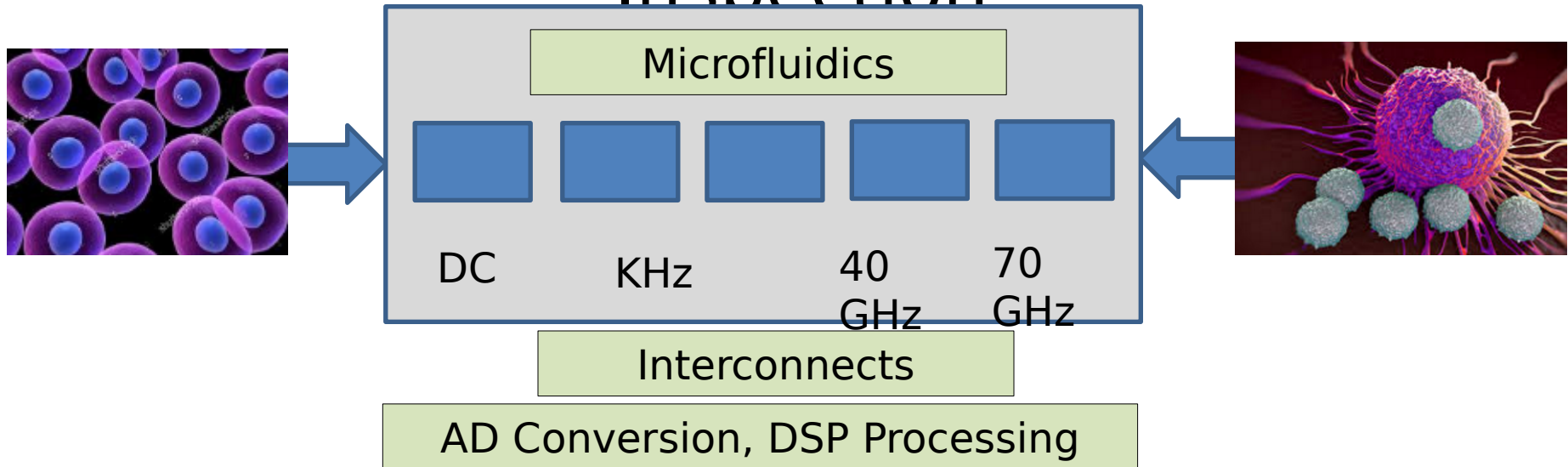
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Food technology

Topics for Collaboration, Group 3

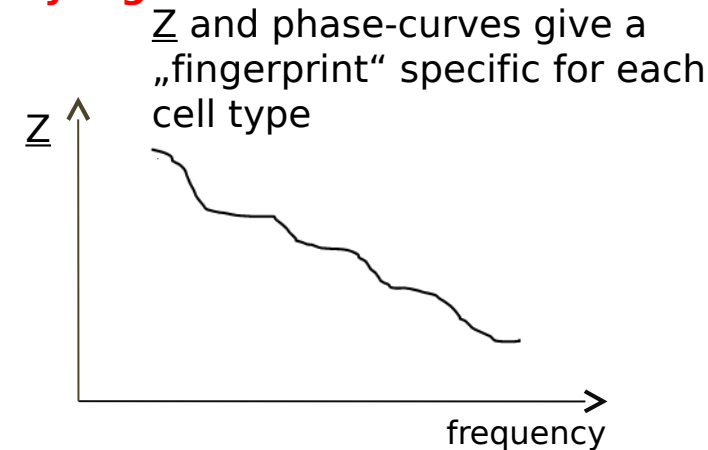
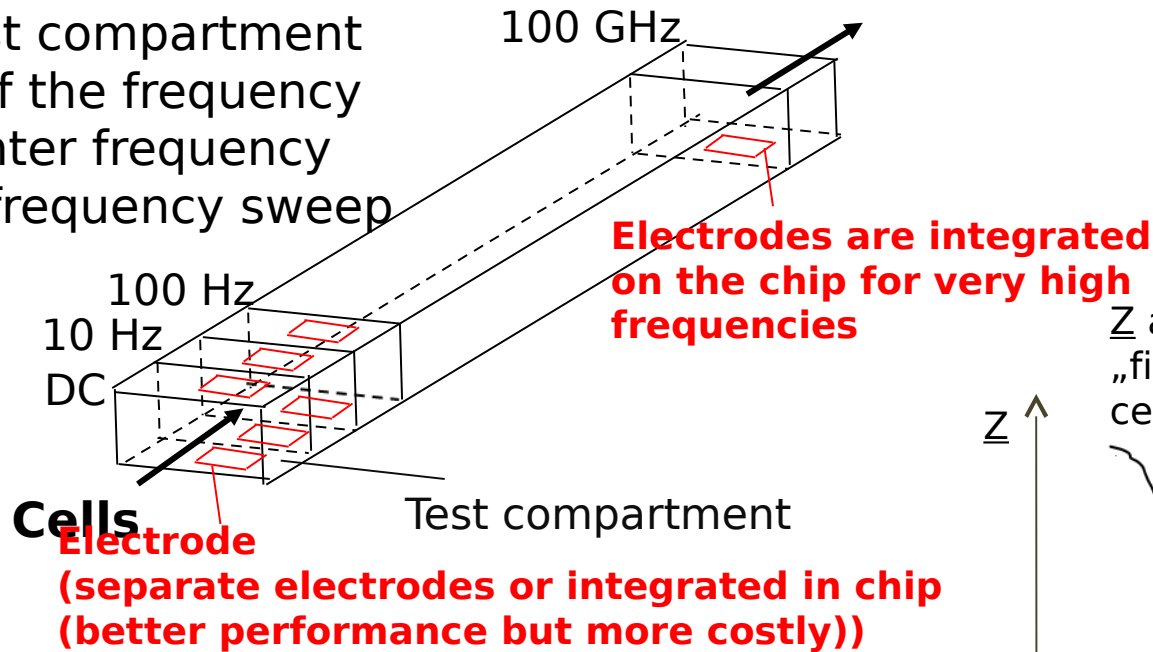
- Impedance spectroscopy for biomedical and environmental applications
 - Microfluidics for biomedical applications
 - System integration: power and signal integrity
- Common Interest:

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Topics for Collaboration, Group 3

In each test compartment
variation of the frequency
around center frequency
=> Large frequency sweep



Cells are moved by

- laminar flow
 - electrophoresis
- System can be built step by step
Starting with low frequencies

Microfluidics for sorting of cells
can be added.

Topics for Exploratory Work

Signal
integrity of
interconne
cts

Food
quality
footprint
with EIS

Count
and
differenti
ation of
cells

Cell
migration
studies

Cytotoxi
city studies
and drug
screening

Broadban
d cell
sample
character
ization

Roadmap

Action	Timeframe
• On going collaborations	Immediate
• Competence group definition	first semester 2017
• Non-funded exploratory initiatives	first semester 2017
• Identify points of collaborative work with other groups	first semester 2017
• Identify funding opportunities	Second semester 2017
• Proposal on e.g. Broadband cell characterization	Second semester 2017
• Networking event	First semester 2018
• Follow-up event (i.e. Costa Rica-Germany conference)	First semester 2019 (decision point)

Capability Map (Detailed)

Proven Competences

- 3D modeling and simulation of electromagnetic fields for interconnects, packages, and platforms (servers, ships, aircraft)
- Development of numerical algorithms for field simulation
- Characterization and mitigation of signal integrity problems at multi-GHz frequencies
- Analysis of electromagnetic interference problems
- Design of coils configurations for medical imaging

Contributions to Project

- Generation of electromagnetic cell model suitable for 3D simulation
- Simulation of electromagnetic fields in around simplified cell models
- Design of test electrodes and shielding for compartments
- Design of high frequency interconnects for microsystem
- Evaluation of parasitic electromagnetic effects and electromagnetic compatibility aspects

Competences

- MEMS: Thin films deposition, Atomic Layer Deposition, Etching (chemical and physical), Microscopic fabrication in general
- Microfluidics

Contribution to project

- Microfluidic FEM Simulation
- Microfabrication of microchannels
- Microelectrodes fabrication
- Microflow optimization

Electronics Department, TEC

Proven Competences

- IC Circuit Design
- Modeling and simulation of interconnects and signal integrity
- System prototyping

Contributions to the Project

- Design of prototypes for cell characterization
- Numerical simulation and modeling of sample systems
- Electrical circuit design and characterization
- System integration and testing

Chemistry Department, TEC

Competences

- Electrodes fabrication and chemical modification
- Electrochemical characterization
- Polymer chemistry

Contribution to the project

- Chemical modification of electrodes for biological and environmental sensing applications.
- Characterization of the interface.
- Polymer micro and nanostructuration.

Proven competences

- Nanotechnology is a current application on food (biosensors, trazabililty...)
- There are fields of research to be covered on nanotechnology applications
- Legislation on application of nanotechnology in food still unclear
- There is a need to prevent food losses
- There is a demand on natural food demand

Contributions to project

- Exploratory work
- Bachelor, Lic., student (thesis programme)
- Field activities
- Funding search
- Actions to do collaborative work with CENIBiot (CENAT)

CENIBIOT

Proven competences	Contribution to Project
Extraction purification characterization of nucleic acids Sequenciation and methylation analysis Analytical chemistry Industrial Enzymes Micro organism preparations Fermented foods Plant culture <i>in vitro</i> Microalgae culture Botanical material growth in Temporal Immersion Systems <i>In vitro</i> and <i>in vivo</i> biological assays	Bio-assays -Cell migration -Induced pluripotent stem cell differentiation into the cardiac lineage in response to electrical stimulation and media composition -Cell cultures of “normal” and cancer cells