

# SpiroSense

*Developing a Deskilled Spirometer  
for Primary Care and At-Home Settings*



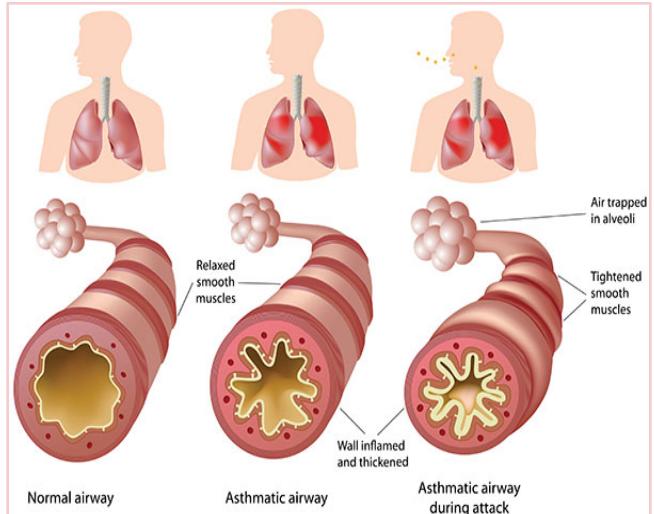
**SpiroSense**

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# The Clinical Background and Standard of Care

# Clinical Background

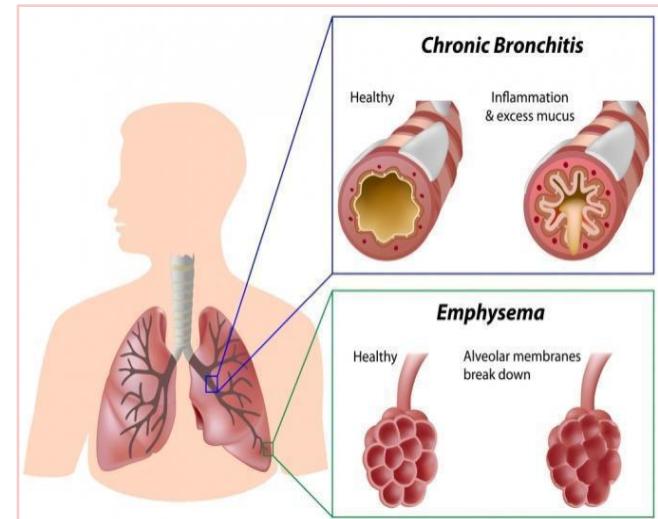
## Asthma



300 million affected globally<sup>[1]</sup>

250,000 deaths annually<sup>[1]</sup>

## Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)



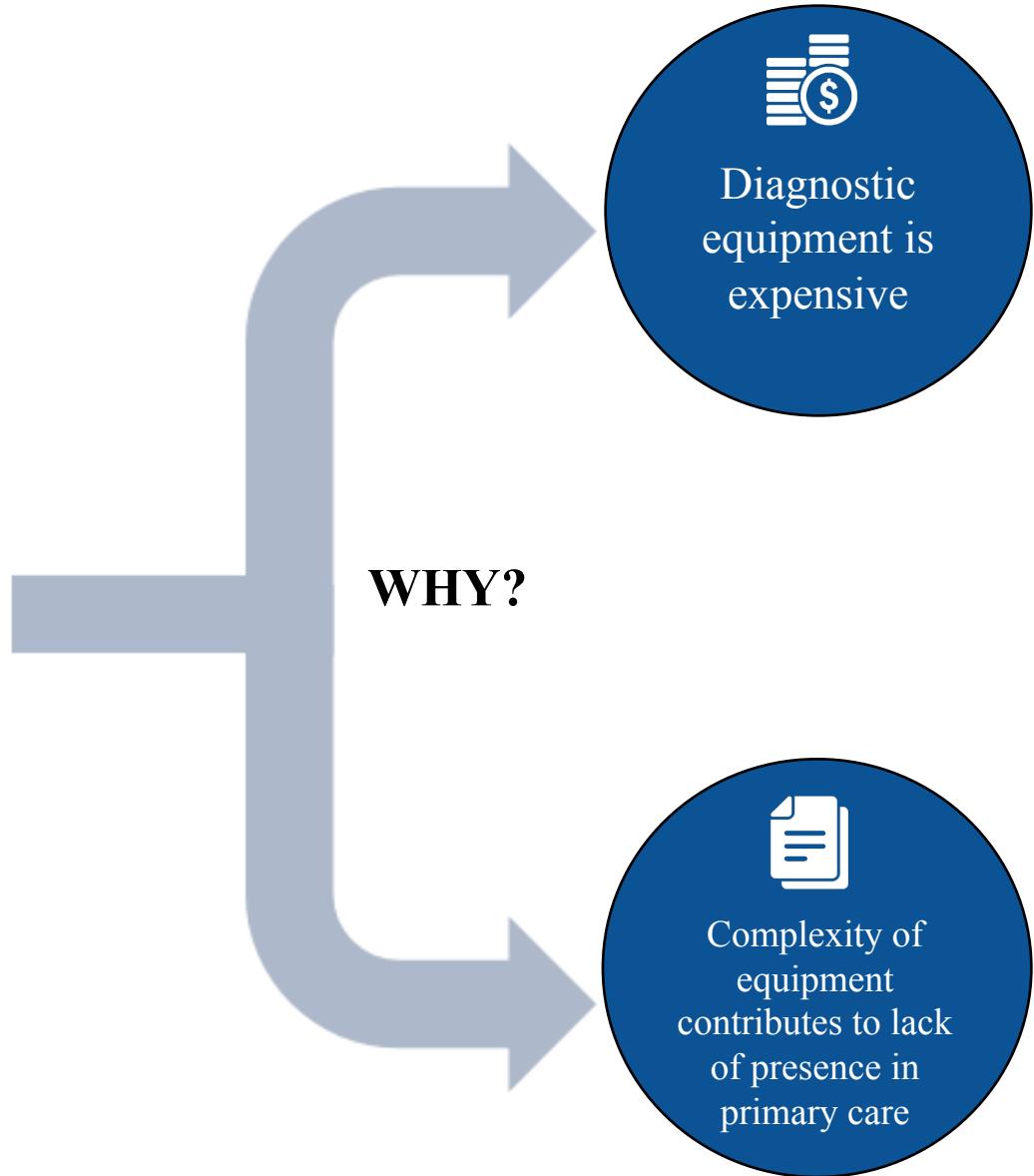
210 million affected globally<sup>[2]</sup>

3 million deaths annually<sup>[2]</sup>

- 3<sup>rd</sup> leading cause of death in the U.S.
- Cost the U.S. \$95 billion annually
- Roughly 50% of affected patients go undiagnosed

# The Clinical Problem

About **50%** of Americans living with chronic obstructive lung diseases are **undiagnosed**, so they are **not getting proper treatment**

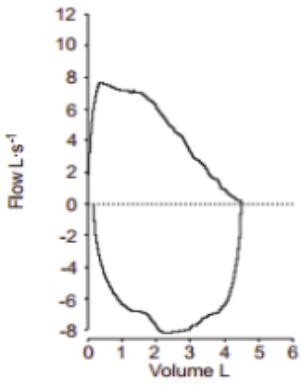


*In the domestic healthcare market, there is a need for a low-cost and deskilled spirometer to better inform affected patients and their providers on the necessity of treatment.*

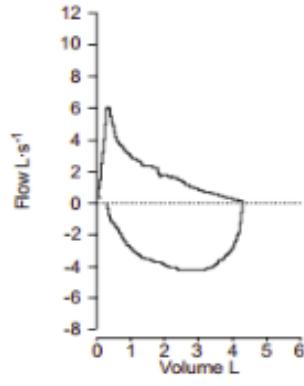
# Spirometry



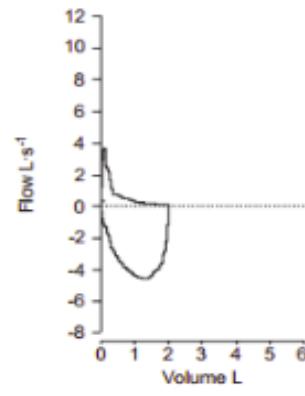
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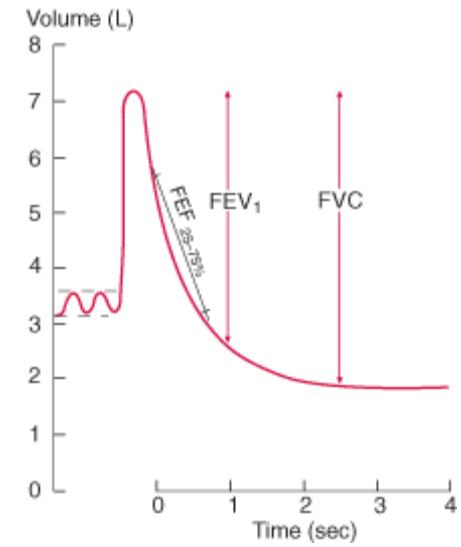
Healthy patient



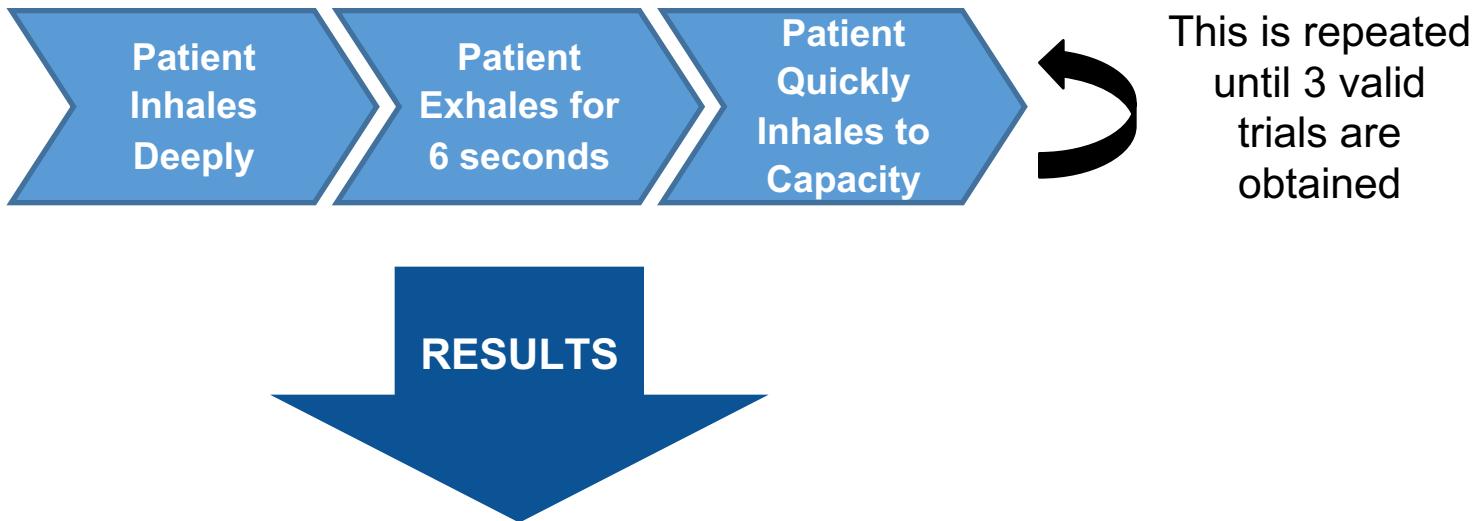
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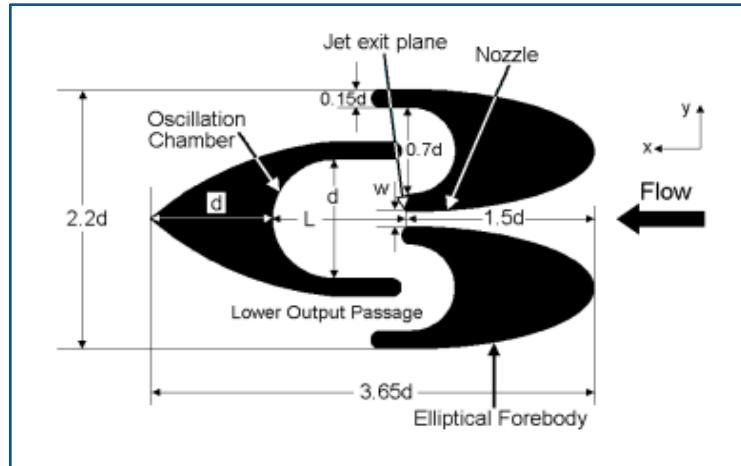
Spirometry is the standard of care for pulmonary diagnosis.  
Spirometry is expensive and is often not available in primary care settings.

# **Our Solution**

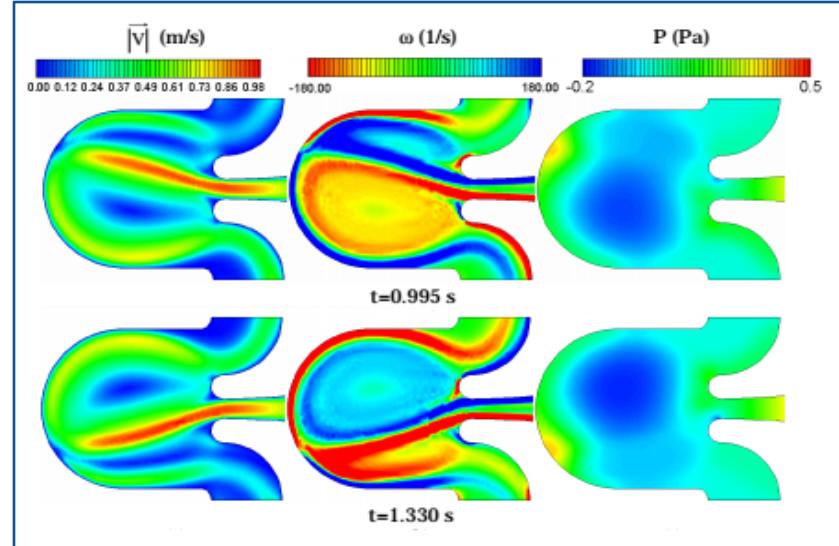
# Measuring Flow: Oscillatory Flowmeter

## Target-Based Fluidic Oscillators

1. Jet oscillation driven by the unsteady motion of the counter-rotating vortices
2. Frequency varies linearly in a wide range of Reynold's numbers

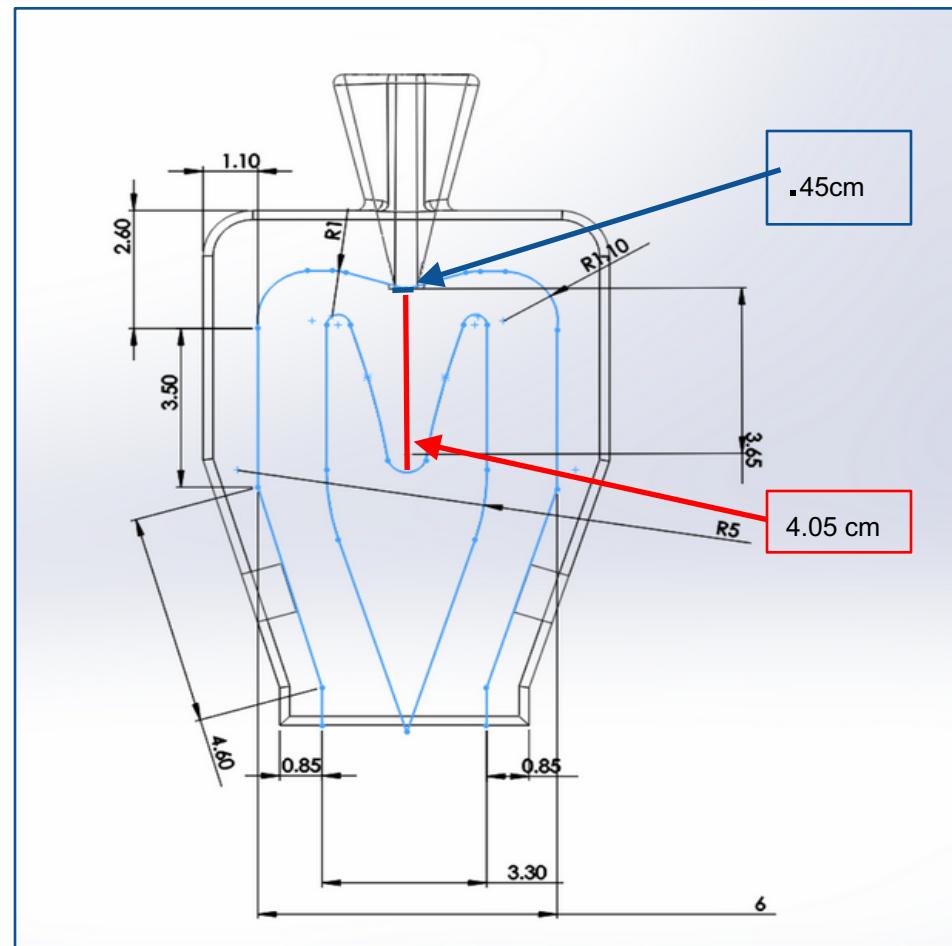
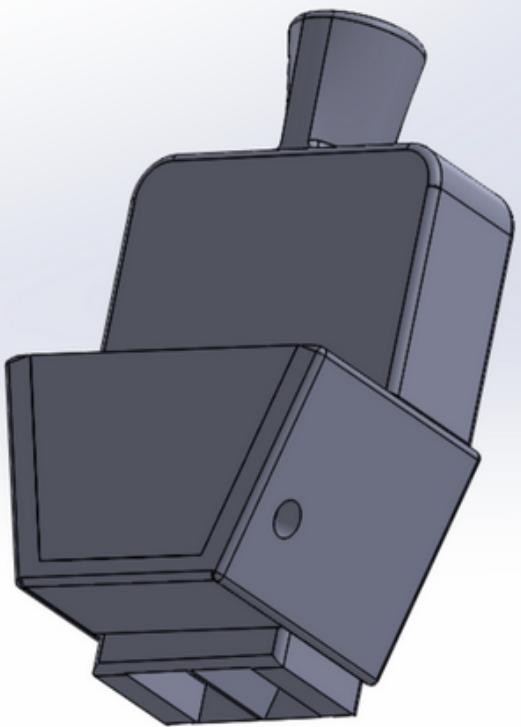


The nozzle width at the jet exit plane is  $w$  and the distance between the jet exit plane and the oscillation chamber wall ( $L$ ) is  $9w$ . [7]



Flow Visualization

# SpiroSense



# Android Application

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<http://invis.io/2C2ESIE9U>

# Competitive Advantage

Non-disposable / reusable  
and disinfectable



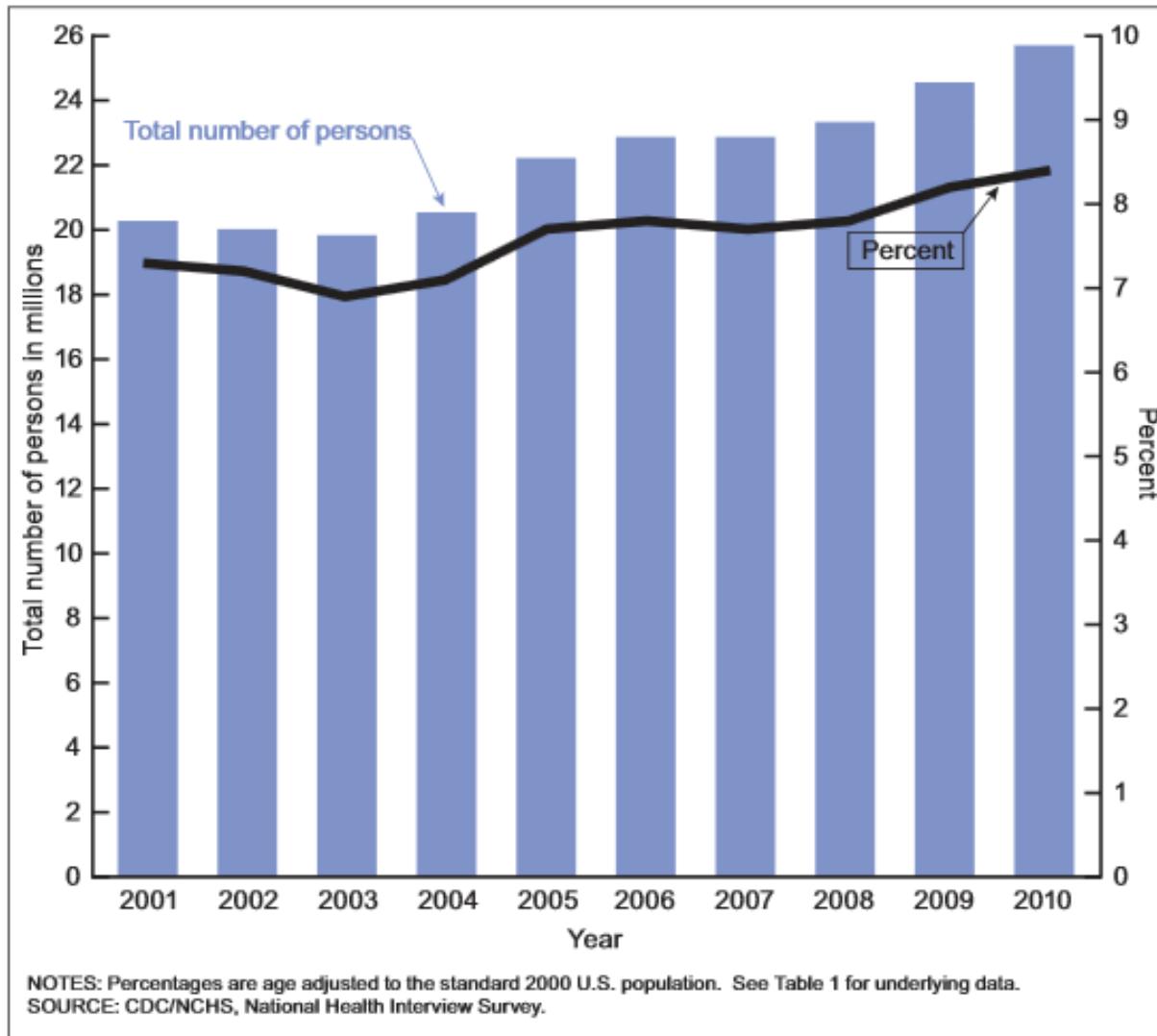
**Accurately measure  
pulmonary function:  
Sensitivity within 3.5%  
margin of error**

**Robustness:**  
**No moving parts and  
minimum calibration**

# Market Analysis

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## Prevalence of Asthma in U.S.



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- All patients living with asthma and/or COPD are part of SpiroSense's potential market
- Secondary market is pulmonologists or primary care physicians who want to bring affordable spirometry to their clinics, where it is otherwise unavailable
- Chronic conditions account for 75-80% of all U.S. healthcare spending annually, so the opportunity for devices that measure these conditions is appealing
- 7-10% of people with chronic lung conditions used some kind of monitoring equipment in 2012

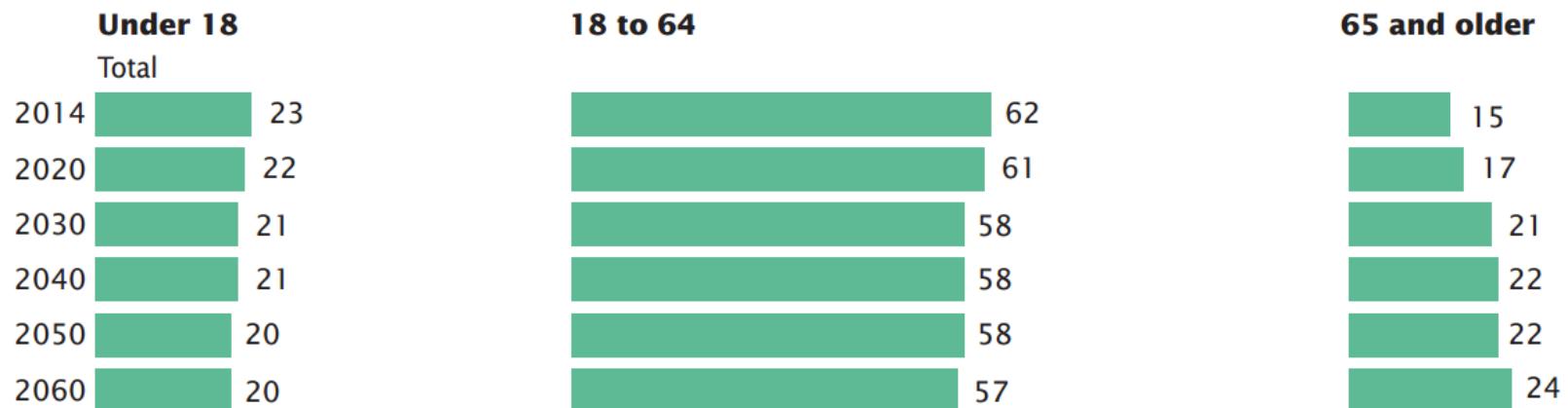
# Industry Report

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- Home health monitoring expected to increase as aging population grows

## Age Distribution of the Population by Nativity: 2014 to 2060

(Percent of group's total population)



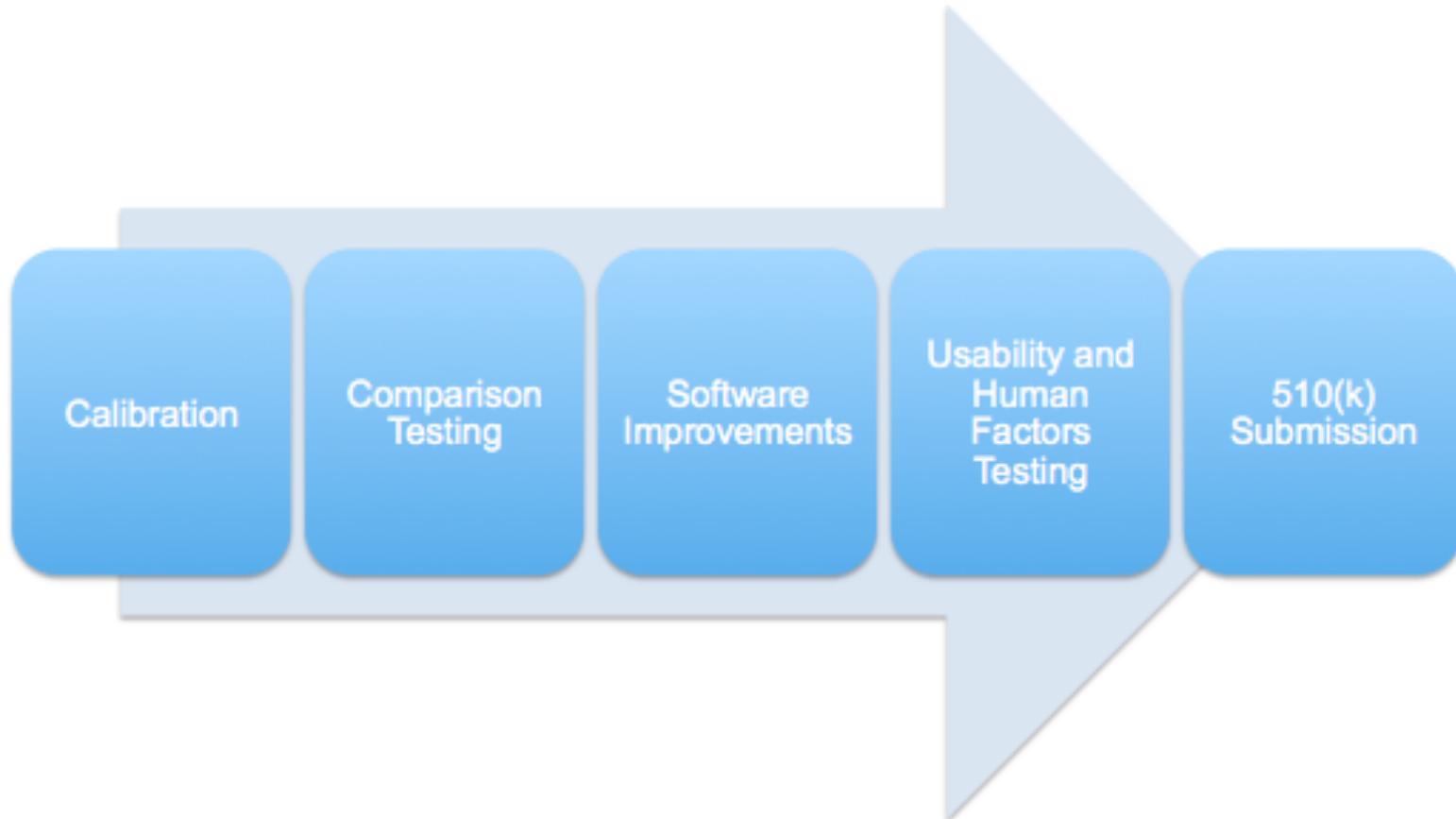
Note: The percentages for each group in each year may not add to 100 due to rounding.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2014 National Projections.

- In 2014: industry generated \$74.8 Billion in revenue with a growth rate of 3.6%
- Currently industry is fragmented by small, private companies which makes the barrier to entry low

# Operational Plan

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*Thank You!*

The logo consists of the word "SpiroSense" in a bold, sans-serif font. The letters "Spiro" are in black, while "Sense" is in red. The entire logo is enclosed within a thin black rectangular border.

**SpiroSense**

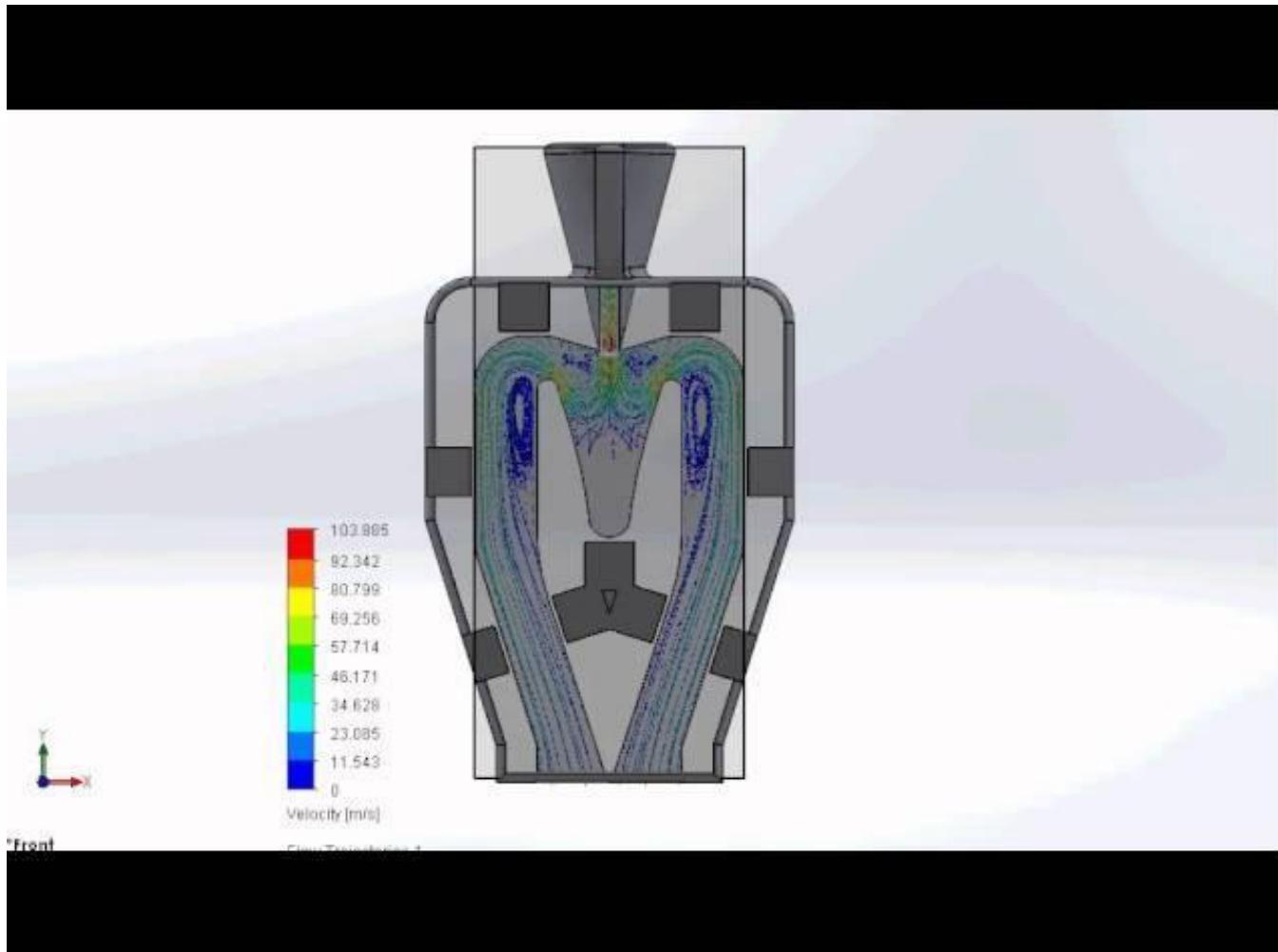
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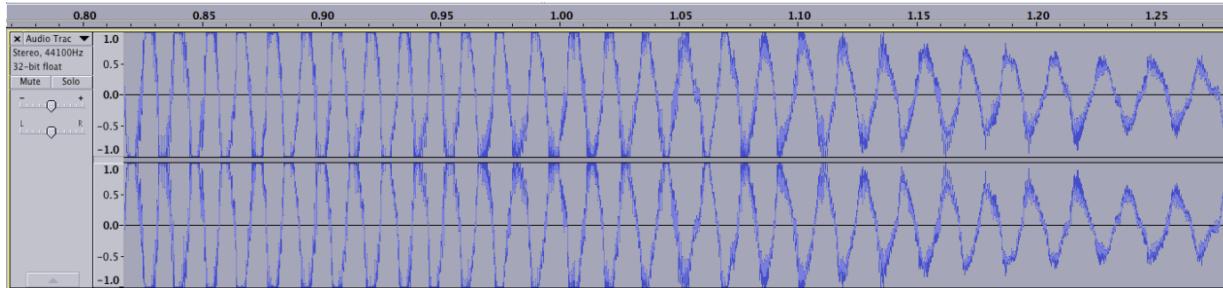
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# Flow Simulation

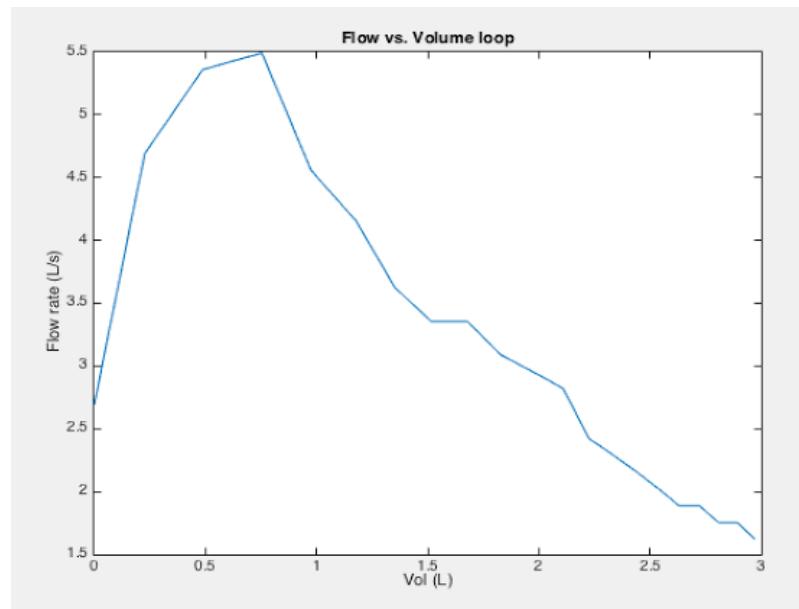


# Signal Processing

Initial Audio  
Recording



Flow-Volume  
Loop



# Disinfection Protocol

Two part device: fluidic oscillator  
detachable from electronics for  
disinfection.

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Standards

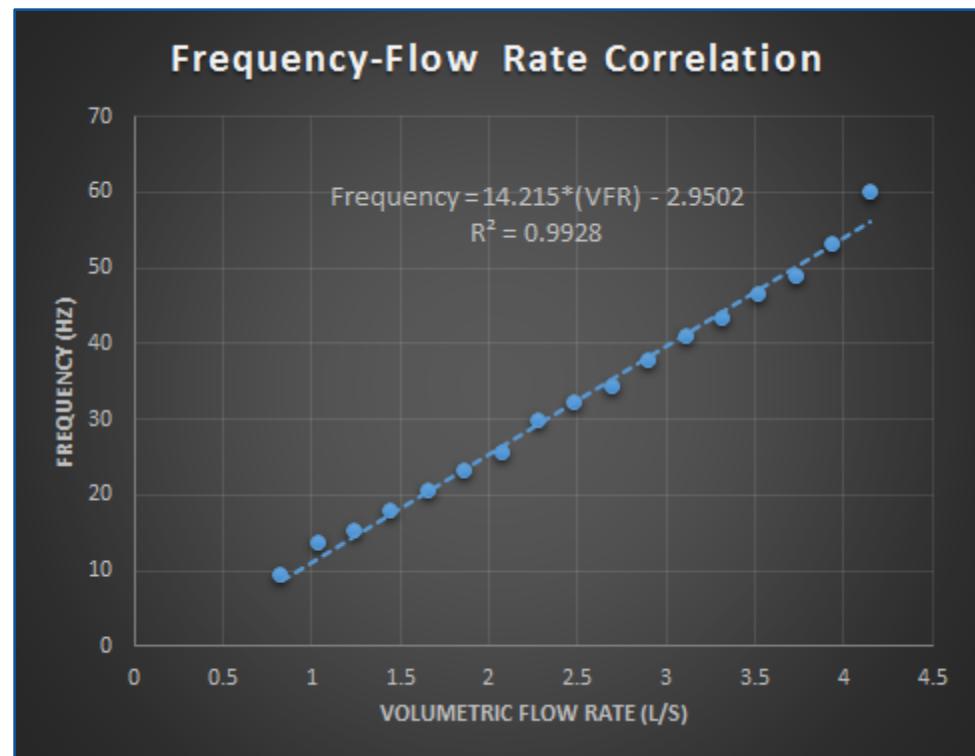
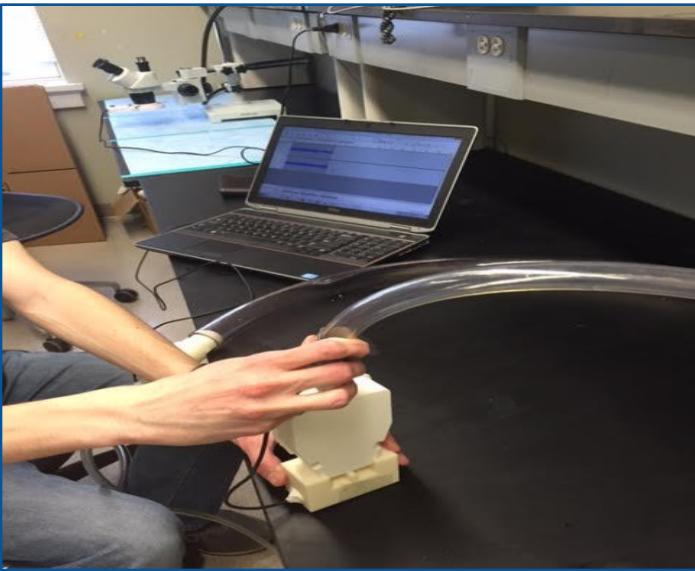


Decontamination: Soak  
10 minutes in Cl solution

Cleaning: Wash  
thoroughly in soap and  
water

High Level Disinfection:  
Soak 20 minutes in Cl  
solution

# Frequency vs. Flow Rate Correlation



# Temperature and Humidity

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The calculations of the effects on air of temperature and humidity can be calculated directly (see appendix)

The change in Reynold's number is directly proportional to kinematic viscosity

Per Dr. Katz, “ The increase in density by humidity is at most ~ 10% (note that exhaled air is humid, and nearly at body temperature). So, as long as the device is still operating using air, and using exhaled air, it should be fine.”

# Gas Conversion Factors

TABLE 4.2 Gas Conversion Factors (Volume and Flow)

To convert from	To	Multiply by	
		Formula	Typical value
ATPS	BTPS	$\frac{BP - pH_2O}{BP - 47} \cdot \frac{310}{273 + T}$	1.080
	STPD	$\frac{BP - pH_2O}{760} \cdot \frac{273}{273 + T}$	0.892
	ATPD	$\frac{BP - pH_2O}{BP}$	0.971
ATPD	BTPS	$\frac{BP}{BP - 47} \cdot \frac{310}{273 + T}$	1.113
	STPD	$\frac{BP}{760} \cdot \frac{273}{273 + T}$	0.919
	ATPS	$\frac{BP}{BP - pH_2O}$	1.030
BTPS	STPD	$\frac{BP - 47}{760} \cdot \frac{273}{310}$	0.826
	ATPS	$\frac{BP - 47}{BP - pH_2O} \cdot \frac{273 + T}{310}$	0.926
	ATPD	$\frac{BP - 47}{BP} \cdot \frac{273 + T}{310}$	0.899
STPD	BTPS	$\frac{760}{BP - 47} \cdot \frac{310}{273}$	1.210
	ATPS	$\frac{760}{BP - pH_2O} \cdot \frac{273 + T}{273}$	1.121
	ATPD	$\frac{760}{BP} \cdot \frac{273 + T}{273}$	1.088

BP = barometric pressure  
 T = temperature (°C)  
 ATPS = ambient temperature and pressure, saturated  
 ATPD = ambient temperature and pressure, dry  
 STPD = standard temperature and pressure, dry  
 BTPS = body temperature and pressure, saturated

The “typical values” assume a barometric pressure of 760 mmHg and a temperature of 24°C.  
 Standard pressure is 760 mmHg and standard temperature is 0°C (= 273 K).  
 Body temperature is 37°C (= 310 K).

$$P_{H_2O} = 14.47 - 0.705T + 0.0428T^2$$

where  $P_{H_2O}$  is partial pressure of water vap or (mmHg) and  $T$  is temperature (degrees Celsius)

\*different conversion factors for inhalation and exhalation, patient recording and calibration syringe

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# Temperature and Humidity

Temperature vs. Viscosity			
	Temperature (F)	Dynamic Viscosity	Kinematic Viscosity
	80	3.86	1.69
	90	3.90	1.74
	100	3.94	1.79
	120	4.02	1.89
	<b>Max % Increase</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>12%</b>

	Dry Air	Moist Air
<b>Equation</b>	$\rho_a = \frac{0.0035\rho_a}{T}$ <p>Where <math>\rho_a</math> is density (<math>\text{kg/m}^3</math>), <math>\rho_a</math> is partial pressure of air (<math>P_a</math>, <math>\text{N/m}^2</math>), and <math>T</math> is Temperature in Kelvins</p>	$\rho = \rho_{da} \frac{(1+x)}{(1+1.609x)}$ <p>Where <math>\rho</math> is density (<math>\text{kg/m}^3</math>), <math>x</math> is specific humidity (<math>\text{kg/kg}</math>), and <math>\rho_{da}</math> is the pressure in the dry air (Pa)</p>

# Prototype Design

## The Evolution of SpiroSense



Current  
Prototype



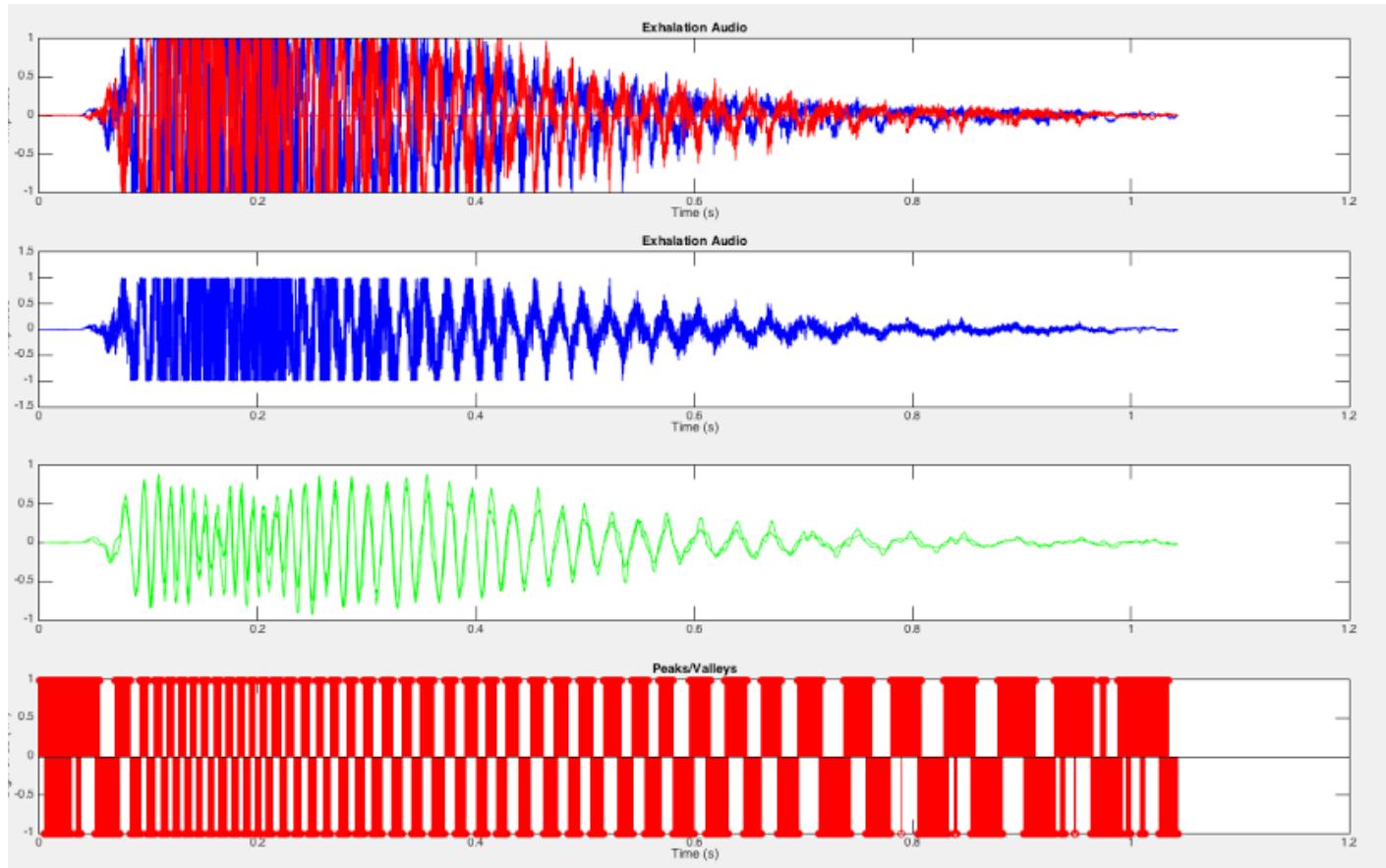
# Device Validation

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Trial	Collected FVC	%Error
1	2.55	0.15
2	2.52	0.16
3	2.661	0.113
4	2.716	0.094666667
5	2.753	0.082333333
6	2.513	0.162333333
7	2.588	0.137333333
8	2.724	0.092
9	2.753	0.082333333
10	2.726	0.091333333
Avg	<b>2.6504</b>	<b>0.116533333</b>
St. Dev.	<b>0.098012698</b>	

# Matlab Graphs



# Predicted PFT Values and Disease Staging

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FVC = 0.1524\*Height(inches) - 0.0214\*Age(years) - 4.6500 [Men]

FVC = 0.1247\*Height(inches) - 0.0216\*Age(years) - 3.5900 [Women]

FEV1 = 0.1052\*Height(inches) - 0.0244\*Age(years) - 2.1900 [Men]

FEV1 = 0.0869\*Height(inches) - 0.0255\*Age(years) - 1.5780 [Women]

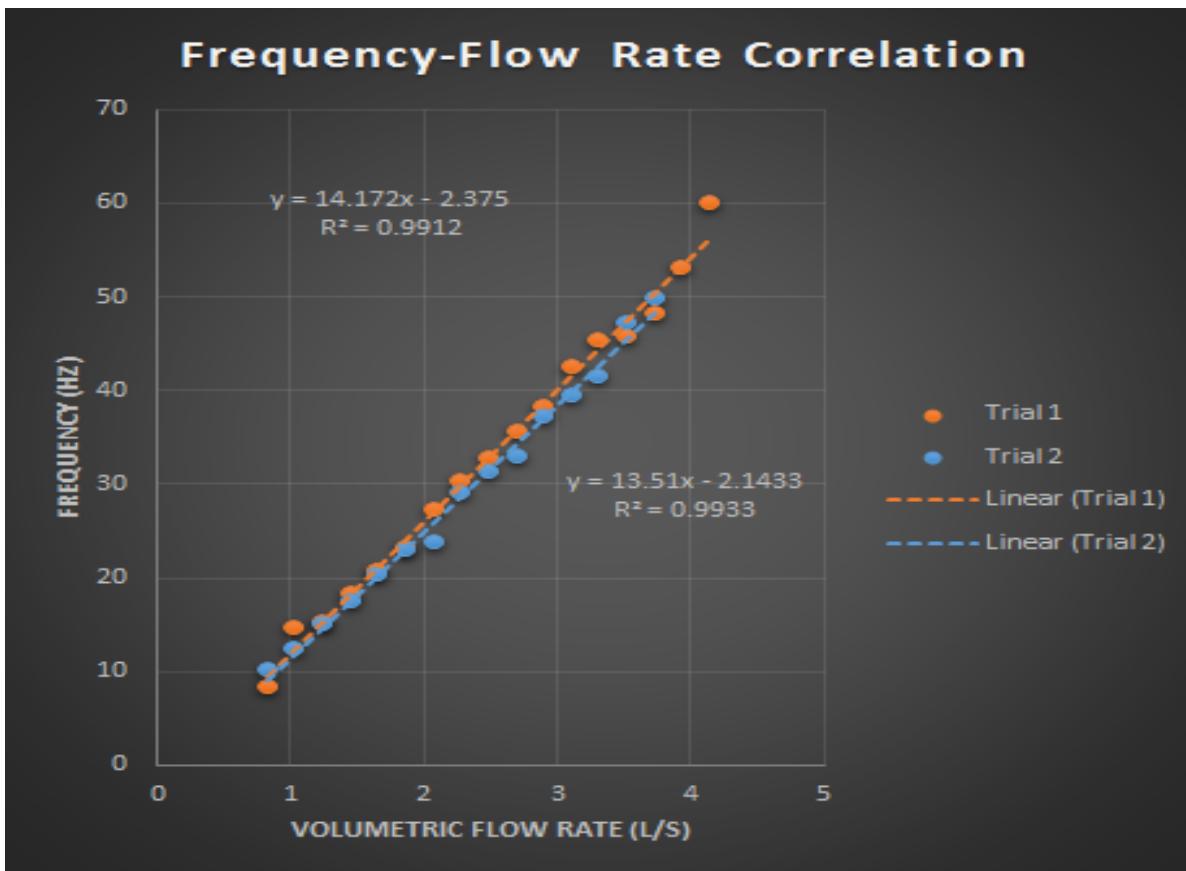
FEV1% = Predicted FEV1 / Predicted FVC

(Crapo Standards for Predicted PFT Values;  
<http://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/pftlab/predeqns.html>)

Stage I	Mild COPD	FEV1/FVC<0.70	FEV <sub>1</sub> ≥ 80% normal
Stage II	Moderate COPD	FEV1/FVC<0.70	FEV <sub>1</sub> 50-79% normal
Stage III	Severe COPD	FEV1/FVC<0.70	FEV <sub>1</sub> 30-49% normal
Stage IV	Very Severe COPD	FEV1/FVC<0.70	FEV <sub>1</sub> <30% normal, or <50% normal with chronic respiratory failure present*

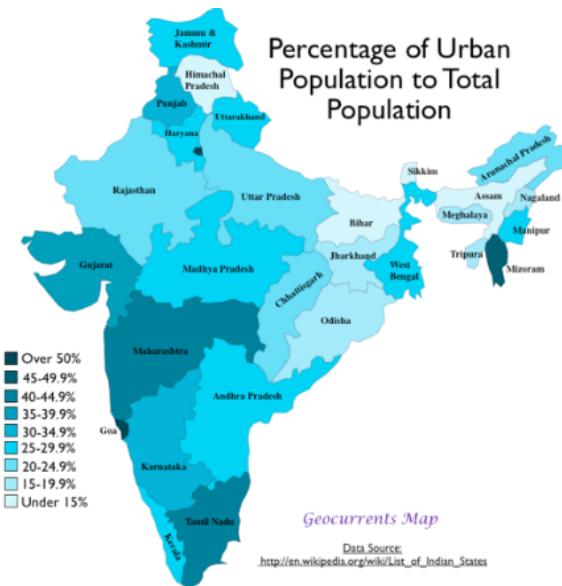
Global Initiative for Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease  
(GOLD) Classifications

# Additional Frequency-VFR Correlation Testing



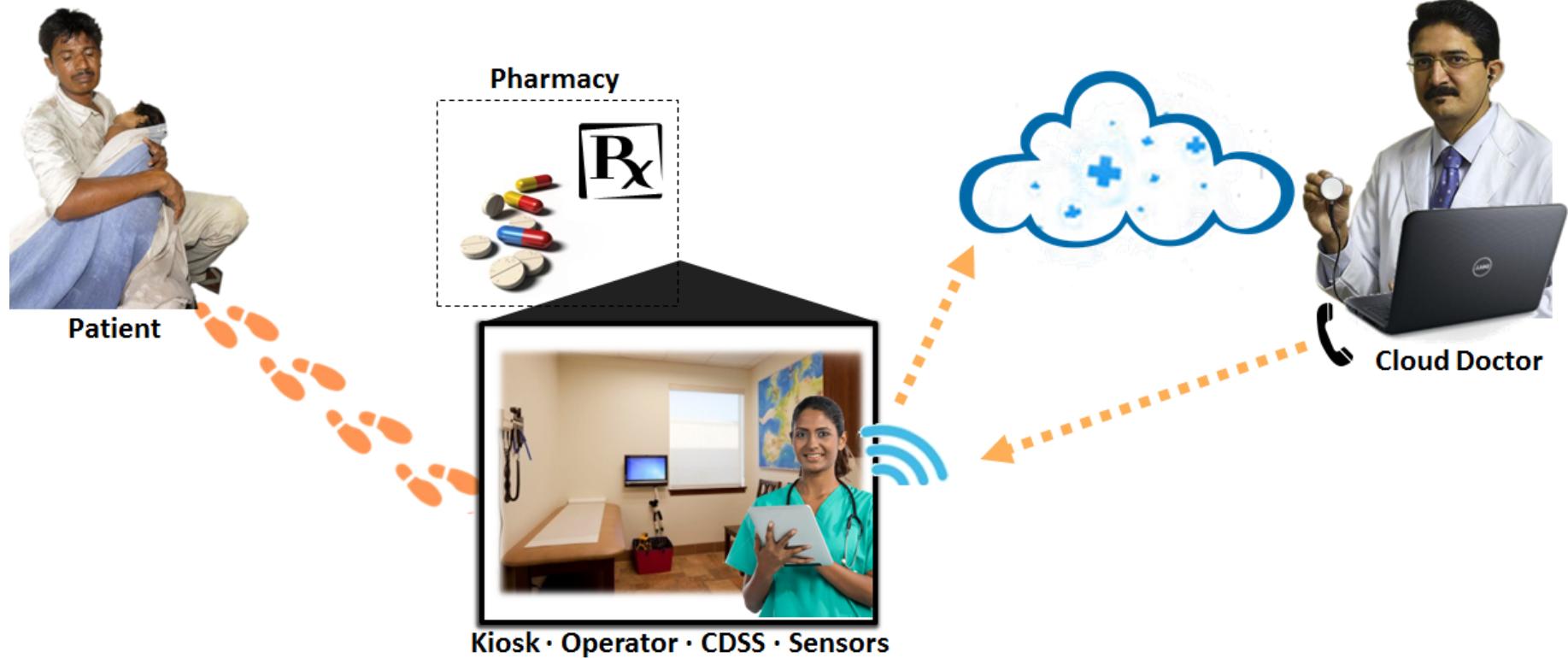
# Background in India

- 70% of India's population live in non-urban areas
- 60% rural population lives on less than 35Rs (0.57USD)/day



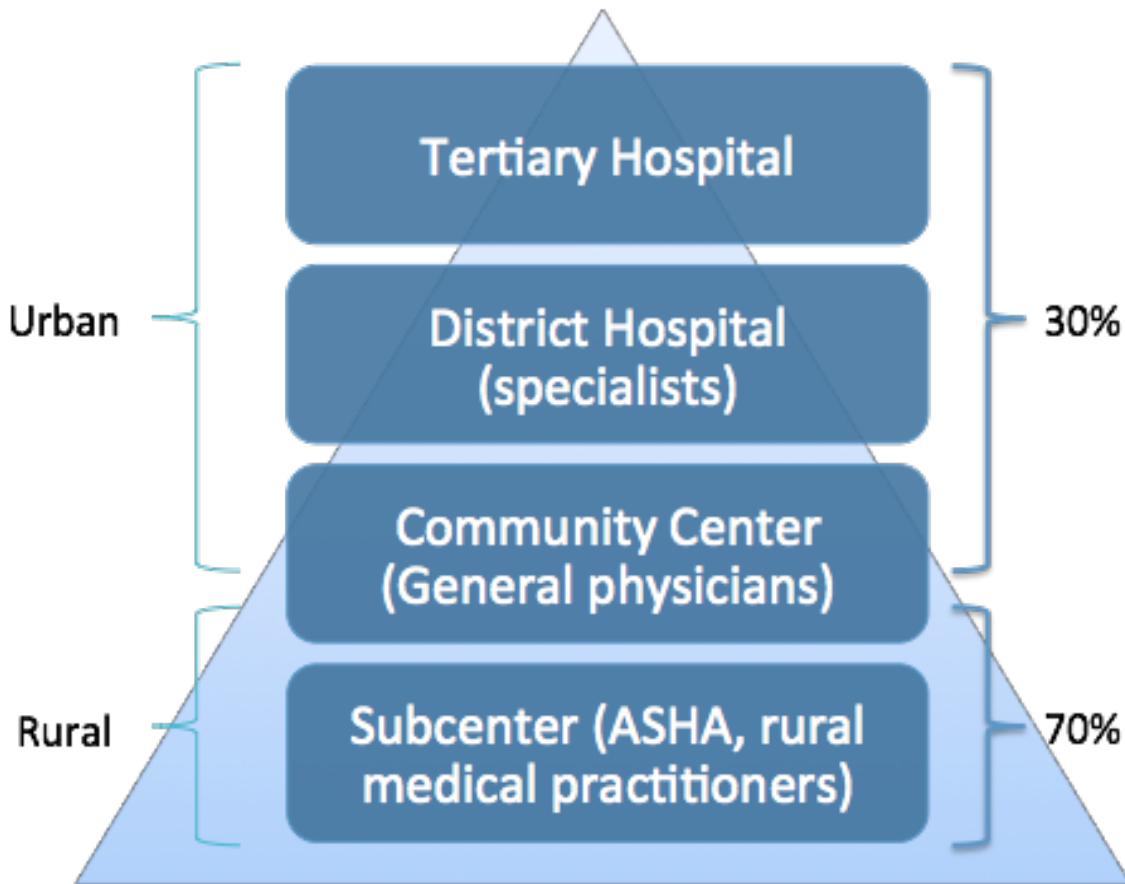
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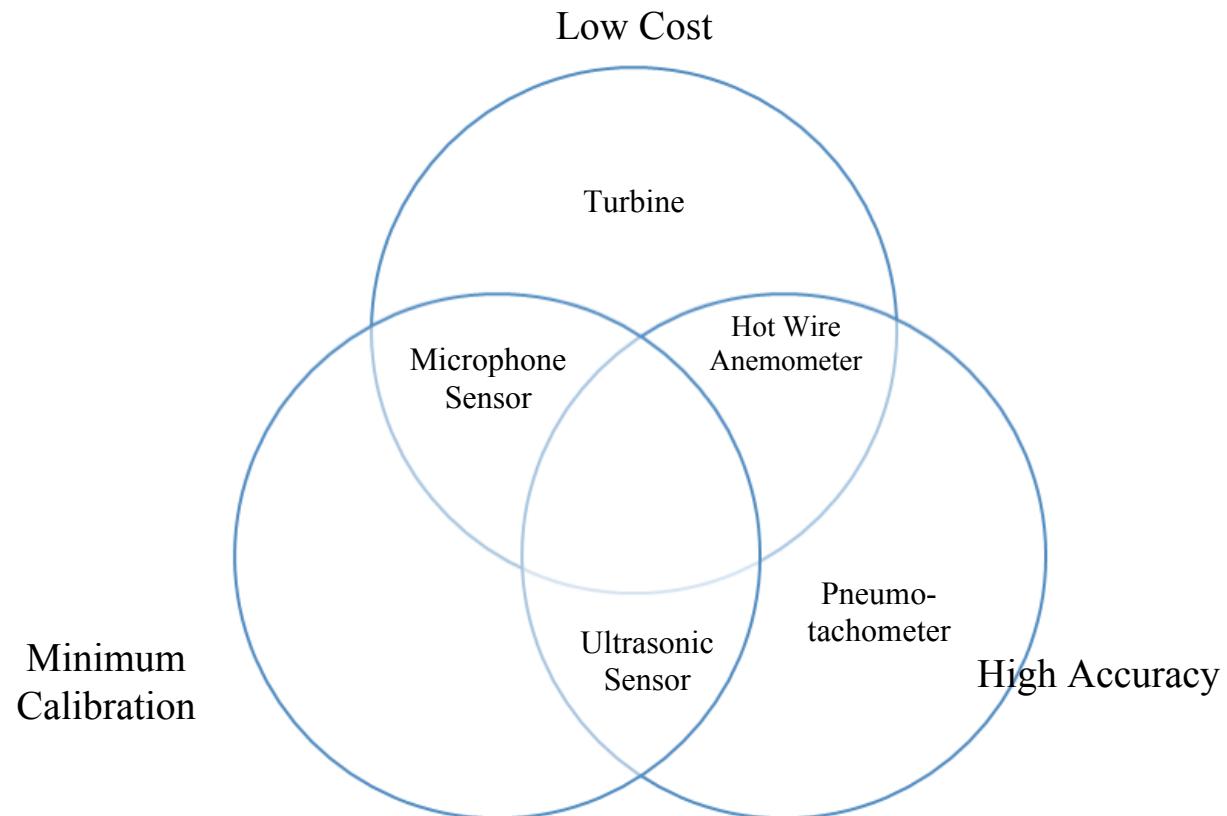
# Access to Healthcare in India

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# Existing Methods

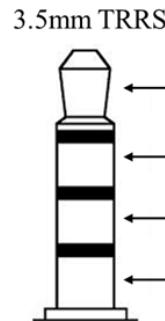
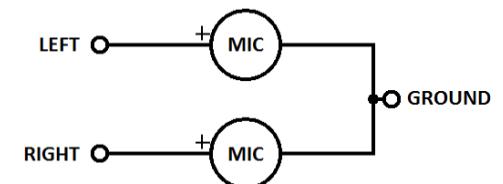
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# Powering The Device



## Plug-In Power

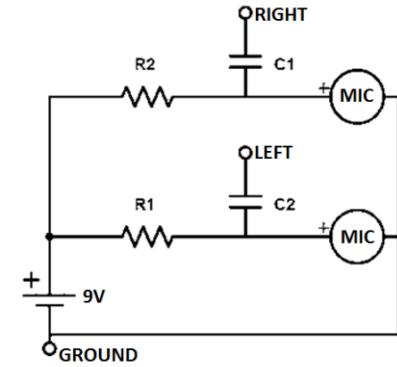


	OMTP	CTIA
Left	Left	
Right	Right	
Microphone	Ground	
Ground	Microphone	

LG, Samsung,  
Nokia, Motorola,  
Asia

Apple, HTC,  
Microsoft,  
US/Europe

## 9V Battery Power



	<b>Wire Anemometer</b>	<b>Ultrasound</b>	<b>Microphone alone</b>	<b>Microphone w/ fluidic oscillator</b>	<b>Pneumotachometer</b>	<b>Turbine</b>
<b>Advantages</b>	A test of various spirometer method accuracies showed hot-wire is very consistently accurate after frequency-specific adjustment (needed for all methods). Hot wire anemometry exhibits stable performance characteristics across the range of temperature, humidity, Fio <sub>2</sub> , and inspiratory/expiratory ratios encountered clinically, has a small dead space, is unaffected by mean airway pressure, and is therefore suitable for clinical applications.	Ultrasonic spirometers transmit a signal between two transducers and the transit time, which is affected by airflow between the sensors, is related to flow velocity. The transit time is independent of the acoustic velocity of the medium. This method has no moving parts, requires no calibration, is accurate and precise, and is temperature independent. It may be low-cost depending on which types of sensors are needed. It is simple and can record both inhalation and exhalation.	Low-cost and simple. May not need additional material/equipment so the cost is even lower than it would be with a fluidic oscillator. If used without a mouthpiece, there would not be any sterilization necessary.	Not much evidence on this being used other than in the heart-shaped fluidic oscillator spirometer. If it works, the advantage is that it can be used to measure flow throughout complete exhalation, there are no moving parts so it should be durable, and it does not require calibration.	Pneumotachometers harness a pressure differential created by flow passing through capillaries (mesh). You can then apply Bernoulli's equation to this pressure drop to get the air flow, which is generally linearly correlated with this pressure drop. Pneumotachs can be accurate and can be variable in size depending on their intended environment use.	Turbine spirometers are cheap, simple to use and are often unaffected by changes in atmospheric conditions. Since they do not have to be heated, they have better linear and higher ranges of flow when compared to pneumotachometers.

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<b>Disadvantages</b>	Sensitivity to gas composition and gas temperature. The calibration curve is nonlinear and cannot be easily extrapolated beyond its calibration range. Calibration of a hot-wire sensor is necessary for making accurate and reliable flow measurements. In the calibration process, reference velocities, $U_r$ , are measured at various locations across the flow cross section, and the corresponding reference output voltages, $E_r$ , are obtained for all the measured data points. Subsequently, the resultant data pairs ( $E_r, U_r$ ) are plotted to obtain the calibration curve for the specific hot-wire sensor. The calibration method shown in this paper involves use of a closed loop wind tunnel. It is recommended that a spirometer should be readjusted daily.	The resonant frequencies of the two transducers must be very close otherwise sensitivity will decrease. Sensors must be heated to around 40 degrees Celsius to prevent condensation from forming.	The last 3 seconds of exhalation as well as all of inhalation are inaudible (according to the SpiroSmart paper). Also, there may be issues with standardizing the distance from the person's mouth to the microphone and outside noise is a problem. You need complete silence in order to accurately record the sound of exhalation. The lack of a mouthpiece may decrease the accuracy of the signal due to interference from outside noise.	Requires sanitation (or disposable mouthpieces). Little evidence for clinical use of fluidic oscillator to measure lung function. Would probably need to validate this through testing.	Pneumotachs only provide accurate flow measurement with laminar flow. If turbulent flow is achieved, then the pressure gradient is no longer linearly correlated with the air flow. Additionally, the capillary gradient used to create the pressure differential is subject to alteration from contaminant accumulation and from condensation of water vapor - both of these increase resistance and alter the pressure differential - resulting in "drift" aka inaccurate measurements. Additionally, the characteristics of flow (when dealing with gas) are subject to alteration from viscosity and temperature of the gas, so if the pneumotach is used in hot environments the flow may no longer be linearly correlated to flow rate.	They may be inaccurate at both low and high flows; the vanes need to be lightweight to overcome inertia before they can begin to rotate and they may continue rotating after the flow has stopped. Additionally, vanes can become distorted at high flows and easily break. They are also susceptible to barometric pressure

# Spirometry Measurements

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**FVC - Forced Vital Capacity** - Volume of air that can forcibly be blown out after full inspiration (Liters)

**FEV1 - Forced Expiratory Volume in 1 second** - Volume of air that can forcibly be blown out in one second, after full inspiration (Liters)

**FEF - Forced Expiratory Flow** - Flow (or speed) of air coming out of the lung during the middle portion of a forced expiration (L/min or L/sec)

**FIF - Forced Inspiratory Flow** - Flow (or speed) of air coming entering the lung during the middle portion of a forced inspiration (L/min or L/sec)

**PEF - Peak Expiratory Flow** - Maximal flow (or speed) achieved during the maximally forced expiration initiated at full inspiration (L/min or L/sec)

**TV - Tidal Volume** - Amount of air inhaled and exhaled normally at rest (Liters)

**TLC - Total Lung Capacity** - Maximum volume of air present in the lungs (Liters)

**SVC - Slow Vital Capacity** - Maximum volume of air that can be exhaled slowly after slow maximum inhalation (Liters)

**FET - Forced Expiratory Time** - Length of the expiration (seconds)

# Medications

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- Albuterol (short acting beta agonist)
- Bitolterol (bronchodilator)
- Budesonide (steroid, bronchodilator)
- Doxofylline (antitussive)
- Ipratropium Bromide (bronchodilator)
- Montelukast (leukotriene receptor antagonist)
- Oxtriphylline (bronchodilator)
- Salmeterol (long acting beta agonist)

# The Clinical Problem

Less than 20% of patients in rural India are correctly diagnosed with chronic lung conditions such as asthma and COPD<sup>5,6</sup>

**WHY?**



Diagnostic equipment is expensive



RMPs are not formally trained

# Project Constraints and Goals

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## DESIGN CONSTRAINTS

Measure flow rates within a 3.5% margin of error

Require calibration frequency of at most once a week

Cost less than \$50 USD

Have an operating range of 0-15 Liters/second

Pickup oscillation frequencies as low as 20 Hz

## DESIGN GOALS

Easily usable for untrained medical assistants

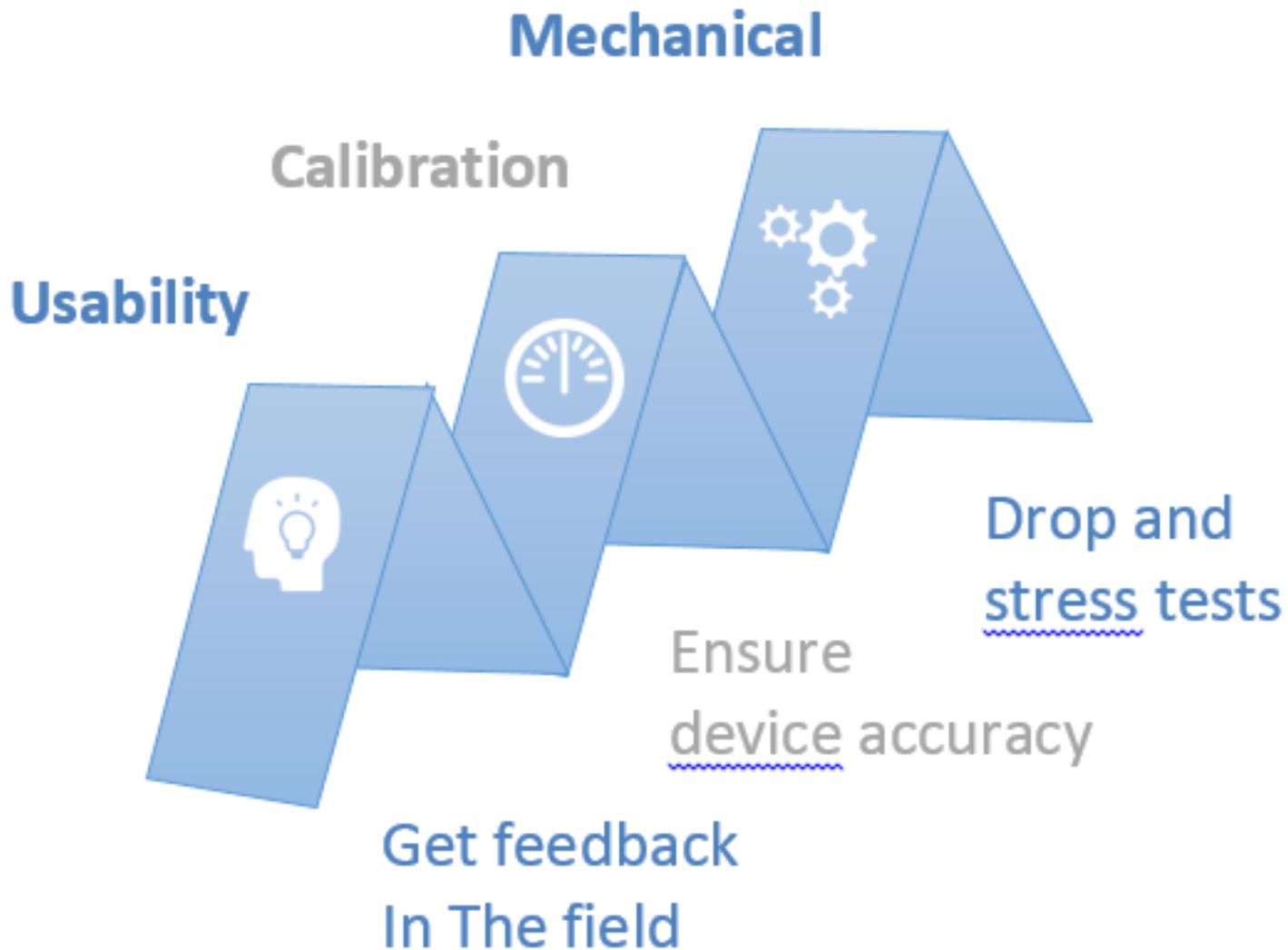
Have a durability lifetime of at least 5,000 uses

Have a built-in trial validity algorithm

Output data with a 25 mL volume resolution

Easily sanitizable

# Next Steps



# Prototype Budget

COMPONENT	COST
3D Printing (0.15kg@\$53/kg PLA)	\$8.00
Microphones (2@\$0.92)	\$1.84
Resistors/Capacitors (bulk)	\$2.00
Wires	\$0.50
3.5 mm Stereo Audio Wire	\$4.77
9V Battery	\$3.50
9V Battery Clip	\$0.60
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$21.21</b>

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