



# **DIFFERENT SENSORS IN HEALTHCARE AND AGRICULTURE**



# 1. Sensors in Smart Healthcare

These sensors are primarily used in wearable devices, remote patient monitoring (RPM), and advanced medical equipment to collect real-time physiological data.

Sensor Type	Function
Heart Rate/Pulse Sensor	Measures the electrical activity or volume changes of the heart (photoplethysmography - PPG).
SpO2 Sensor (Pulse Oximeter)	Measures the oxygen saturation level in the blood.
Blood Glucose Biosensor	Measures the concentration of glucose in the blood or interstitial fluid.

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**Inertial  
Measurement Unit  
(IMU)**

Combines **accelerometers** and **gyroscopes** to measure motion, orientation, and velocity.

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**Body Temperature  
Sensor**

Detects changes in body temperature, often placed on the skin as a wearable patch.

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**Blood Pressure  
(BP) Sensor**

Measures arterial blood pressure, often using oscillometric technology.

## Example Picture: Blood Glucose Biosensor

This picture shows an example of a blood glucose biosensor system, typically used for continuous monitoring:



blood glucose biosensor



## 2. Sensors in Smart Agriculture 🌾

These sensors form the core of **Precision Agriculture** (or Smart Farming) by collecting environmental and soil data to optimize resource use and maximize crop yield.

Sensor Type	Function
Soil Moisture Sensor	Measures the volumetric <b>water content</b> in the soil.
Air Temperature & Humidity Sensor	Measures the ambient air temperature and relative humidity, often inside greenhouses or at weather stations.
Soil pH Sensor	Measures the <b>acidity or alkalinity</b> of the soil.

**Light Sensor (or Solar Radiation)**

Measures the **intensity of sunlight** or photosynthetic active radiation (PAR).

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**Gas Sensor**

Detects and measures concentrations of gasses like **CO<sub>2</sub>**, methane, or volatile organic compounds (VOCs).

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**Rain Gauge/Flow Meter**

Measures **precipitation** (rain gauge) or water used in an irrigation system (flow meter).

## **Example Picture: Soil Moisture Sensor**

This picture shows an example of a soil moisture sensor probe that is inserted into the ground:

