

Session 18 Overview:

Biomedical Devices, Circuits, and Systems

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This session covers biomedical systems with innovations that traverse device, circuit, and system-level design. The first paper describes a retinal prosthetic that utilizes an optically-addressed nanowire array in conjunction with a transmitter-offloaded wireless neural stimulation approach for efficient operation near sensitive retinal tissue. A pneumatic-free fully-CMOS-controlled microfluidics platform for label-free cellular and bio-molecular sensing comes next, followed by a CMOS microscopic-scale thermal actuation and sensing array for localized heating of magnetic nanoparticles for hyperthermia cancer therapy. The final paper showcases a wireless multimode IC integrating electrochemical sensors, a temperature sensor, and a current stimulator for monitoring chronic wound healing processes.

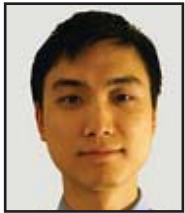


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18.1 An Optically-Addressed Nanowire-Based Retinal Prosthesis with 73% RF-to-Stimulation Power Efficiency and 20nC-to-3 μ C Wireless Charge Telemetry

Abraham Akinin, University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, CA

In Paper 18.1, the University of California San Diego and Nanovision Biosciences present a retinal prosthetic that enables scaling to 1512 channels via an optically-addressed nanowire array. The system achieves an RF-to-stimulation efficiency of 73% by off-loading charge-balancing and regulation to a wearable transmitter via an integrated charge-metering feedback approach.

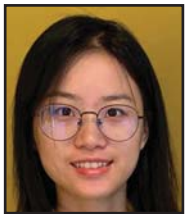


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18.2 CMOS-Driven Pneumatic-Free Scalable Microfluidics and Fluid Processing with Label-Free Cellular and Bio-Molecular Sensing Capability for an End-to-End Point-of-Care System

Chengjie Zhu, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

In Paper 18.2, Princeton University presents a CMOS-microfluidic bio-sensing platform integrating cytometry sensors and actuators with an AC electrokinetic fluid flow eliminating the need for a pressure-driven flow. This system achieves a velocity up to 160 μ m/s by driving the bulk fluid at 100kHz, while it can precisely control the cell focus within $\pm 3\mu$ m of a central flow.



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18.3 An Integrated Thermal Actuation/Sensing Array with Stacked Oscillators for Efficient and Localized Heating of Magnetic Nanoparticles with Sub-Millimeter Spatial Resolution

Yingying Fan, Rice University, Houston, TX

In Paper 18.3, Rice University presents a thermal actuation and sensing array for localized heating of magnetic nanoparticles at 1.18-to-2.62GHz. This array consists of 12 pixels with 0.6mm \times 0.7mm spatial resolution and an embedded electro-thermal feedback loop to regulate the temperature with 0.53/0.29 $^{\circ}$ C maximum/rms error.



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18.4 A Wireless Multimodality System-on-a-Chip with Time-Based Resolution Scaling Technique for Chronic Wound Monitoring

Shao-Yung Lu, National Chiao Tung University, Hsinchu, Taiwan

In Paper 18.4, National Chiao Tung University presents a wireless system supporting C-reactive protein, uric acid, and temperature readout while providing current stimulation for chronic wound healing process. This multi-mode readout IC achieves electrochemical sensing at a scanning rate ranging from 0.08 to 400V/s, while providing a resolution of 2pA for a current range of 12 μ A.