### Micro Electro Mechanical Systems for mechanical engineering applications

Lecture 13: Device examples (1): Lab-on-a-chip, DNA chip, Protein chip

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### Why biochip? - Big bang of bio information







## What is biochip?



Devices which allow super-high-speed, high-sensitive analysis of biologically active DNA, Protein, Cells that are highly integrated on glass, silicon or polymer substrates.



**Types of biochip** 







## **DNA chip -** functional genomics

□ Chip which allows to check gene expression or mutation by adhering highly integrated Oligonucleotide, cDNA, genomic DNA, etc. on its substrate







## Protein chip - proteomics

- Chip that has ligands and proteins those can react with specific protein on its surface
- □ Proteins could be segregated, checked and quantitatively analyzed on the chip









## Cell Chip - functional cellulomics

Detection of physiological signal by real-time reaction of live cells which was impossible by existing methods







## Lab on a Chip

- □ Micro fab. techniques, Micro/nano fluidics techniques are applied
- Dilution, mixing, reaction, separation of sample could be accomplished on a chip

#### Lab-on-a-chip

- Features
  - Miniaturisation
  - Automation
  - Integration
- Benefits
  - Data Quality/Reproducibility
  - Reagent savings







# **Advantages and Applications of LOC**

- Advantages
  - Shorter processing time
  - Less sample/reagent required
  - Disposable
  - Automation possible
  - Parallel operation : high throughput
  - Integration possible

- Applications
  - Detection and diagnosis
  - Synthesis and analysis
  - Interaction and interrogation
  - Treatment (drug delivery)



### Lab-On-A-Chip Applications to Genomics & Proteomics







Chips for research	various platform $\rightarrow$ various data
	gathering data
	researcher's choice by market
Chips for diagnosis	various products $\rightarrow$ same result
	reliability, sensitivity, accuracy are needed
	restricted by law and regulations

### Most chips were for research so far





## **Roadmap of Bio-chip Technique**



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# **1. DNA chip - A chip for genomics**

- Device that measures mRNA concentrations is called a DNA chip or DNA microarray.
- Working assumption: the concentrations of the mRNA molecules in a cell define its "biological state"
- There are two ways performing this job
  - (a) cDNA microarrays (spotted microarrays)
    - see the animation:
      - http://www.bio.davidson.edu/courses/genomics/chip/chip.html
  - (b) Oligonucleotide microarrays (Affymetrix chips)



# **Applications of DNA Microarrays**

- DNA Microarrays are used to study gene activity (expression)
  - What proteins are being actively produced by a group of cells?
    "Which genes are being expressed?"
- How?
  - When a cell is making a protein, it translates the genes (made of DNA) which code for the protein into RNA used in its production
  - The RNA present in a cell can be extracted
  - If a gene has been expressed in a cell
    - RNA will bind to "a copy of itself" on the array
    - RNA with no complementary site will wash off the array
  - The RNA can be "tagged" with a fluorescent dye to determine its presence
- DNA microarrays provide a high throughput technique for quantifying the presence of specific RNA sequences



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## **DNA Microarrays**

- Each probe consists of thousands of strands of identical oglionucleotides
  - The DNA sequences at each probe represent important genes (or parts of genes)
- Printing Systems
  - Ex: HP, Corning Inc.
  - Printing systems can build lengths of DNA up to 60 nucleotides long
  - 1.28 x 1.28 + cm glass wafer
    - Each "print head" has a ~100  $\mu$ m diameter and are separated by ~100  $\mu$ m. (~ 5,000 20,000 probes)
- Photolithographic Chips
  - Ex: Affymetix
  - 1.28 x 1.28 cm glass/silicon wafer
    - 24 x 24  $\mu$ m probe site ( $\approx$  500,000 probes)
  - Lengths of DNA up to 25 nucleotides long
  - Requires a new set of masks for each new array type



# **Fabrication of DNA Microarrays**

- ⑦ Fabrication via Printing
  - DNA sequence stuck to glass substrate
  - DNA solution presynthesized in the lab
- <sup>(1)</sup> Fabrication In Situ
  - ⑦ Sequence "built"
  - Photolithographic techniques use light to release capping chemicals
  - 365 nm light allows 20-µm resolution







## **Details of Affymetrix chip**







# **Typical Result**

• A light source scans the array, causing the dyes to fluoresce

• The glow is picked up by a sensor and is used to determine the relative abundance of the RNA

 This information must be processed to determine the level of activity for each expressed gene



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### Lab on a chip + DNA chip? = DNA Analysis (1)







### **DNA Analysis (2) - Parallel DNA Channel Array**







### **DNA Analysis (3) - Integrated DNA Analysis**



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# 2. Protein chip - A chip for proteomics

### **Proteomics – Protein Arrays / Microarrays**

### Goal

- High-throughput analysis of protein expression / interaction
- Adapt approach similar to DNA microarrays
- Improves on speed vs. 2D electrophoresis

### Approach

- No equivalent of hybridization for proteins
- Exploit other biochemical binding reactions
  - Antibody–antigen
  - Receptor–ligand
  - DNA–protein…





## Sensing mechanism for protein chip

### **Proteomics – Antibody / Antigen Binding**







### Methods for protein chip

#### Method

- 1. Place on glass slide many probes at known locations
  - Chemical probes
    - Ionic, hydrophobic, hydrophilic...
  - Biochemical probes
    - Antibody, receptor, DNA...
- 2. Mix protein samples with probes, bind
- 3. Wash off remaining proteins
- 4. Collect & identify bound proteins with mass spectrometer
  - Surface Enhanced Laser Desorption / Ionization (SELDI)

### Produces

- Protein expression profile
- Protein interaction with probes



### Antibody probes: example 1

### **Monoclonal Antibody Capture Microarray**







### **Antibody probes: example 2**

### **Ciphergen Antibody Capture Protein Chip**



1) Protein with antigen bound to antibody probe 2) Remainder of protein digested enzyme, leaving peptide antigen 3) Wash away protein fragments 4) SELDI laser ionizes & desorbs epitope binding peptide, sends to mass spectrometer





## Some issues of protein chip

- Issues
  - Protein-probe interaction may not be one-to-one mapping
    - Multiple proteins may bind to same site
  - Binding kinetics (strength of bond) differ for proteins
    - Intensity may be due to kinetics, not protein concentration
  - Protein structure / function affected by contact with surface
    - May not achieve bond as expected
- Scale
  - Currently less miniaturization than for DNA microarrays
  - Protein array
    - 8-16 spots of 96-well spot chips = ~1500 probes
  - Protein microarray
    - 10,000+ probes







#### Lab on a chip + Protein chip? = Capillary electrophoresis (1)

#### Lab-on-a-Chip Based on Capillary Electrophoresis



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#### Lab on a chip + Protein chip? = Portable diagnostic device (2)



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