PUBLIC HEALTH AND BIOSENSORS TECHNOLOGY

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ABSTRACT

Recently, the use of affordable biosensors to test for toxins in food and water, regulate human biologic processes, evaluate accurate health diagnoses, and other purposes has become increasingly prevalent in research sciences and medical societies. To ensure public safety, conduct research, and provide patients with personalized health alternatives, researchers and medical professionals need more affordable and safe ways to do their work. Using biosensors is one simple way to implement one of these solutions. Biomedical studies of diagnosis are becoming increasingly important in the new discipline of medicine. Applications of biosensors include observation of well-being, treatment of chronic diseases, early diagnosis of infectious diseases, and health management. Better biosensor technology features make it possible to monitor the body's reaction to treatment and identify illness. Modern medical gadgets are made possible by a number of low-cost, better form factors made possible by sensor technologies. Using biosensors, Biosensors are a promising technology since they are simple, scalable, and efficient in production processes. The substantial advantages of biosensors in the medical domain are covered in this essay. Diagrammatic representations of the unique capabilities of biosensors for cardiovascular disease and healthcare services are given. Along with providing innovative elements of biosensors for clinical and allied services, the study also explores numerous diagnostic biosensors for cardiovascular disorders. This work offers important developments in biosensors for the medical domain.Lastly, a list and discussion of fourteen key biosensor applications in medicine are provided. Older adults may now manage their health more easily because to biosensors' sophisticated wearable features, which also allow them to immediately share medical information with healthcare providers, cutting down on hospital stays. As a result, there are a plethora of consumer and business applications for biosensors in wellness, fitness, sports, etc. In addition to enabling significant new medical therapies and educating consumers about health reform, linked biomedical devices, apps, firmware, and sophisticated algorithms will accomplish a great deal. They will also provide answers and suggestions based on real-time data.

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BIOSENSORS

An analytical tool that detects changes in biological processes and transforms them into an electrical signal is called a biosensor. The expression Any biological material or ingredient, including enzymes, tissues, microbes, cells, acids, etc., can be a part of a biological process. (1) The transducer's output will be either voltage or current, depending on the kind of enzyme and materials utilized in the biological element. (2,3,4)

The progress of science and technology in society is obvious, but they are still not enough to fight against pathogens, the diseases they cause and other consequences for the health of the population. With so many pandemics emerging in such a short period of time. it is more than necessary to continue to develop ways to prevent these disasters. This article focuses specifically on prevention through monitoring of sewage infrastructure, as sewage provides optimal environmental conditions for the reproduction and growth of many pathogens. Sewage is home to intestinal bacteria (E. coli, Salmonella spp.), parasites, their eggs and viruses (adenovirus, hepatitis A and E virus, rotavirus), etc. Faces, which are abundant in sewage systems, are an important source of these pathogens and are transmitted by infected individuals through latrines together with pathogen-carrying animals.

The use of digital and intelligent systems is one of the most important goals in the industry, which deploys the necessary components in important places and abandons mass production. The fourth industrial revolution (Industry 4.0 in the supplementary text) refers to a general change in the approach to the industrial value chain, focusing on new controls, processes, organization and individual customer requirements, while improving connectivity and real-time data collection. And analysis and waste reduction. Industry 4.0 includes six main elements, namely Industrial Internet of Things (to analyse data related to physical objects of interest), Cyber-Physical Systems (links physical process and software to enable design, analysis and modeling), Cloud Computing stores files in the cloud. -based storage system), Edge Computing (takes stored data to specific places where they are needed), Big Data Analytics, artificial intelligence and machine learning (allowing machines to behave like humans and automatically use algorithms that the computer remembers and then uses its own).

Biosensors are used in biomedical testing, agricultural experimentation, biomedical tracking and monitoring, biomedical testing for forensic purposes, health monitoring, and diagnostic and psychiatric patient management. (5) Typical medical uses include disease detection in the wearer, clinical analysis for biosensor medical gear, and general health care monitoring. Diabetes has long been monitored in the medical world using glucose biosensors. Another crucial diabetes prediction that is made easier with the introduction of biosensors is blood glucose levels. Biosensors are still very important because they allow people to control their blood sugar levels and determine the environmental effects of their disease. Biosensors are able to not only provide treatment and healthcare, but also track the condition of patients and diagnose illnesses faster. (6)

The first biosensor invented by Clark and Lyons (1962) to measure glucose in biological samples utilized the strategy of electrochemical detection of oxygen or hydrogen peroxide (7) using immobilized glucose oxidase electrode. Since then, incredible progress has been made (8) both in technology and applications of biosensors with innovative approaches involving electrochemistry, nanotechnology to bioelectronics. Considering the phenomenal advances in the field of biosensors, this review is aimed to introduce various technical strategies, adopted for developing biosensors in order to provide fundamental knowledge and present scientific scenario of biosensor technology. With the emphasis on the research tools that demonstrate how the performance of biosensors evolved from the classical electrochemical to optical/visual, polymers, silica, glass, and nanomaterials to improve the detection limit, sensitivity, and selectivity. Interestingly, microbes and bioluminescence (9) also contributed largely for label-based biosensors, while label-free biosensors involved usage of transistor or capacitor-based devices and nanomaterials.

Using an immobilized glucose oxidase electrode, the first biosensor developed by Clark and Lyons (1962) measured glucose in biological samples by electrochemically detecting oxygen or hydrogen peroxide. Since then, amazing advancements in technology and biosensor applications have been made, utilizing cutting-edge techniques in electrochemistry, nanotechnology, and bioelectronics. This study aims to highlight several technical tactics used in the development of biosensors in light of the remarkable advancements in the field. The purpose is to provide basic knowledge and the current state of science about biosensor technology. Figure 1 shows the applications of biosensors.

ELECTROCHEMICAL BIOSENSORS

The traditional finding of the glucometer in the area of discovery of electrochemical biosensors, the application of glucose oxidase-primarily based biosensors (10) is first. Hospitals and diagnostic centres are well-known for using glucose biosensors, which are essential for diabetic patients to periodically monitor their blood glucose levels. However, unstable enzyme activities or inhomogeneity (11) frequently present problems for glucose biosensors, for which calibration is also essential. These limitations actually lead to the identification of a range of biomolecules with varying electrochemical characteristics, which cleared the way for the development of more practical glucose biosensors. These days, most electrochemical biosensors are set up by modifying the surface of carbon and metallic electrodes with biomaterials including DNA, enzymes, and antibodies. (12)

BIOSENSORS BASED ON NANOMATERIALS

The creation of biosensor immobilization uses a wide range of nanomaterials, including carbon-based materials like graphite, grapheme, and carbon nanotubes, as well as gold, silver, silicon, and copper nanoparticles (13). Furthermore, great sensitivity and specificity are provided by Nano particulate materials for the construction of electrochemical and other biosensors. Of the metal nanoparticles, gold has the most potential applications since it is nearly poisonous and oxidation-stable, whereas other nanoparticles, like silver, oxidize and show hazardous effects when ingested. Delivery Most of the possible issues with using nanomaterials in biosensors need to be resolved before they can be applied in biomedicine. Furthermore, techniques for signal amplification based on nanoparticles may have benefits and drawbacks.

OPTICAL/VISUAL BIOSENSORS

As previously said, the development of straightforward, quick, and extremely sensitive biosensors is necessary for environmental or biomedical applications. This could be achievable with immobilizers (14) made of glass, silica, quartz, carbon-based compounds, or gold. Gold nanoparticles or quantum dots, in fact, can be included by microfabrication to create highly sensitive and portable cytochrome P450 enzyme biosensors (15) that are intended for a particular use. Furthermore, fibre optic chemical sensors are crucial in a number of industries, including bio sensing, biomedicine, and drug development. Hydrogels, which are new materials for immobilization with fibre-optic chemistry, have recently been employed as DNA-based sensors. In hydrogels, immobilization takes place in three dimensions as opposed to two, allowing for a greater load capacity of sensor molecules.

MICROBIAL BIOSENSORS USING SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY AND GENE/PROTEIN ENGINEERING

Utilizing the most recent cutting-edge technologies based on gene/protein engineering and synthetic biology to program microorganisms with specific signal outputs, sensitivity, and selectivity is a recent trend in environmental monitoring and bioremediation. In bioremediation, for instance, live cells possessing the ability to break down xenobiotic substances through enzyme activity have more uses (16). Additionally, microbial fuel-based biosensors have been created to track environmental toxicity and biochemical oxygen use. The organic substrate can be broken down by bacteria, and they can also produce energy for fermentation. In essence, the method uses a bio electrochemical apparatus to directly transform organic substrates into electrical energy by harnessing the power of microbial respiration. Microbial biosensors are limited by poor power density in production and high operating costs, even with these capabilities. Efforts to significantly improve efficiency and reduce costs with new system approaches where technologies have provided a platform for the development of self-functioning microbial biosensors.

TECHNOLOGICAL COMPARISON OF BIOSENSORS

Low-cost glucose and pregnancy test biosensors using an anti-human chorionic gonadotropin immobilization group using the lateral flow technique have a sizable consumer market thanks to innovations in electrochemical sensors with high-throughput methods focusing on detection, limit, analysis time, and portability (17). Using polymers and nanomaterials to immobilize analyses is the key to increasing detection limit and sensitivity. In order to establish targeted interactions rather than random ones, samples can be delivered directly to the desired region using the lateral flow approach, according to this viewpoint. This method was employed by the majority of the biosensors previously discussed; in fact, it opened the door for bio production in both contact- and non-contact-based patterns. The application of nanomaterials in silicon- and gold-based bio production has yielded new techniques. Furthermore, coating these nanomaterials with polymers has revolutionized contact-based electrochemical sensing. One of the main advantages of this type of electrochemical sensor is sensitivity and specificity through real-time analysis.

CURRENT RESEARCH TRENDS, UPCOMING OBSTACLES, AND BIOSENSOR TECHNOLOGY LIMITATIONS

Modern approaches for biosensor discoveries involve integrated tactics utilizing several technologies, such as genetically engineered microorganisms and biosensors based on fluorescence, mechanical, electrochemical, and optical means. There are several potential uses for some of these biosensors in medicine and illness detection. Due to the increasing demand for quick and affordable biosensor analysis, bio fabrication is needed to enable the identification of single molecules with a high detection limit for cellular to entire animal activities. Subsequently, the biosensors had to be designed to function in multiplex environments. In that case, in order to target and quantify tiny analyses of interest, both 2D and 3D detection with advanced transducers is necessary (18).

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, sensitivity, specificity, non-toxicity, tiny molecule detection, and cost-effectiveness are the main factors that influence the creation of biosensors. Taking into account these qualities will finally solve important requirements and the worry about significant biosensor technological constraints. New kinds of biosensors are produced by combining nanomaterials with some of the advancements in electrochemical sensors (19). According to this perspective, it is important to discuss the development of "electronic skin," which takes the shape of printed temporary transfer tattoo electrochemical biosensors for the detection of chemical components for security and physiological purposes (20). Overall, a more effective fusion of synthetic biology techniques with bio sensing and bio fabrication will be achieved by the use of electrochemical, optical, or bioelectronics principles, or a combination of all of these.

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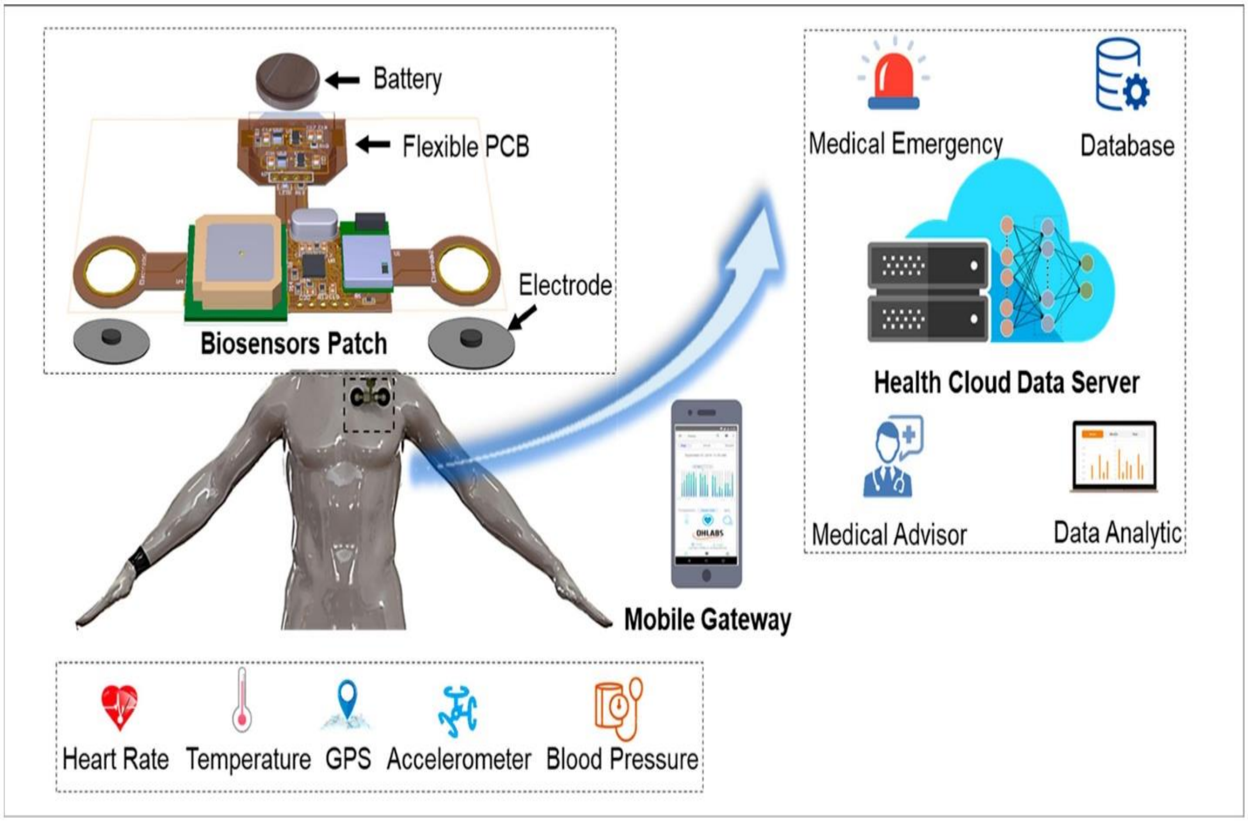

Fig. 1: Biosensor applications