



# Biomedical Sensors Foresight Workshop - fobis

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# Outline

- Presentation of CMTF-North
- Examples of biomedical sensor research
- A commercialization case Bioresonator
- Trends and limitations for the future
- Conclusions





### Centre for Biomedical Engineering and Physics –North Sweden

- Umeå University
- Luleå Technical University
- Västerbotten County Council
- Norrbotten County Council

Biomedical Engineering is a rapidly developing field in Science and Industry. The aim is to take a leading part in this field through excellent scientific research and development in North Sweden. The means are co-operation and the goals are products and methods for a better and more safe Health Care.







- 1. Axiom Co. Ltd, Japan
- 2. Bioresonator AB
- 3. Bruker Scand, AB
- 4. Dermaspec Co.
- 5. Explicit AB
- 6. GE-Health Care
- 7. Morgan Electroceramics, U.K.
- 8. SciBase AB
- 9. Tauzer Co Ltd, Japan
- 10.Videoakt AB

- 1. Computer Science
- 2. Pharmacology and neurological sciences
- 3. Public health and clinical medicine
- 4. Chemistry
- 5. Surgery
- 6. Clinical Sciences
- 7. Mathematics & Mathematical statistics
- 8. Medical biosciences
- 9. Social medicine and rehabilitation
- 10. Radiation sciences
- **11.** Applied Physics and Electronics
- 12. Computer Science & Electrical Engineering

International scientific cooperation with Japan, USA, Israel, Italy, U.K., Norway, Finland, Germany etc. External funding from EU, Regional, Vinnova, VR and Companies



## **Results 2000-2005**

- New employments
- Technological Platform
- New companies
- Approved Patents
- Support to companies
- Competens development
- Networking
- Publications

- 15
- -1, CMTF
- -3, Bioresonator, Videoakt, Dermaspec
- 6
- > 10
- univ courses.
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- >100

More than 75 persons are today engaged in CMTF



### **Projects involving sensors**

- 1. **Resonance sensors**, Applied Physics & Electronics
- 2. Tactile video, Applied Physics & Electronics
- **3. Classifying of tissue**, Chemistry
- 4. **Surface EMG**, Biomedical Eng & Informatics
- 5. Analysis instrument for Diabetes, Biomedical Eng & Informatics
- 6. Automatic analysis of radiograph quality, Computer science
- 7. e-EKG, Applied Physics & Electronics
- 8. Cardiovascular signal analysis, Biomedical Eng & Informatics
- **9. Dynamics of the Liquor system**, Biomedical Eng & Informatics
- **10.** Signal proc. and image analysis of med. inform., Mathematics
- **11.** EU fp6 Sensor project, Chemistry

#### Non Invasive Diagnostics Ass Prof. Britta Sethson

Development of a combination probe for diagnosis and characterisation of:

- Neuropathy
- Erythema
- Malignant Melanoma
- Methods:
  - NIR spectroscopy, Skin Impedance, Digital Photography, (Laser Doppler Imaging)
  - Chemometrics

- Development of methods for characterisation of dental materials and disturbances in the oral mucosa
  - Titanium
  - Cu-Al Alloy
- Methods
  - Classical
    Electrochemical
    Techniques
  - Skin Impedance
  - Chemometrics

**In collaboration with:** Northern University Hospital, Deps of Surgery, Oncology and Odontology. SLU Röbäcksdalen.



### **Distance spanning application**

#### Prof. Stefan Karlsson, MTI, NUS



Depending on distance and transfer bandwidth different digital radios can be selected, for example DECT or Bluetooth. Visualization and analysis on an ordinary Windows PC or PDA.









The processed information is sent to hospital over the Internet through a secure VPN tunnel.



Hospital or care centre



### Resonance sensors

#### Prof Olof Lindahl TFE, UmU



- •Piezoelectric sensors
- •Frequency shift











Eye pressure monitor for diagnosis of glaucoma (5% of population above 70 year.)

Detection of prostate cancer

# **Clinical Study**



Hallberg et al, Physiological measurement, 25, 2004



## Bioresonator Co, Ltd.



- 1999 Patent application and market analysis via Uminova
- 2000 Finances through NUTEK and LinkMed Co Ltd, formation of company, PCT-application, business plan, market plan, design.
- 2001 Cooperation agreement with researchers, university and county council. Research and "grants".
- 2002-2004 Research/ productification, risc financing via Karolinska Innovation, CEmarking, international patent, partner search, alliances.
- 2005-2006 Keeler Co Ltd



**Applications : liver operation/transplant, heart and heart-lung transplant, tele-surgery, and tele-medicine** 

Från Omata 2005



#### The Embedded Internet Systems Laboratory or EISLAB



Skandinaviens nordligaste tekniska universitet – Forskning & utbildning i världsklass





#### The Pill Camera



#### PillCam<sup>™</sup> Capsule Endoscopy Image Atlas

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## Conclusions

- Ambient Assisted Living (AAL) for the Ageing Society EU fp6, including home health care
- Preventive lifestyle and high life quality
- Implantable devices (retinal- and cochlear prosthesis)
- Wireless sensor networks
- Smart sensors with low power consumption
- Distance spanning technology
- Micro- and nano sensors
- Limitations: CE-marking, FDA, Ethical committees, Large costs
- Triple Helix networks