The Transition from Cards to Portable Devices and Sensor Networks for Wireless Personalized Health Services



Sensor networks for optimization of blood bag logistics in hospital

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### **OPAL** Health



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- OPAL Health optimized and secure processes through mobile and intelligent monitoring and localisation of assets in hospitals
- funded by the Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology for 3 years and started in second part of 2007
- Aims of the project is to use smart objects, to:
  - Create transparency in logistical activities in a hospital
  - Support activities for further increase in safety and quality
  - Save costs and resources with different types of optimisation
- Wireless sensor networks as generic smart object technology
- Seamless Integration of the wireless sensor networks in clinical IT-Environment and the activities



Present situation when blood is needed in a department





Monitor Temperature to be able to better decide if a returned blood bag has to be thrown away or not





### Expected benefits of supporting the blood bag handling in hospitals with Wireless Sensor Networks



- further reduce possibility to transfuse blood to the wrong patient
- further reduce lethality rate through active process quality management
- avoidance of wasting blood products while holding high quality standards
- enhance availability of blood products
- automation or simplification of documentation activities
- provide data material for medical research



### Integration of the wireless sensor networks into the clinical IT-Environment





#### Integration of the Smart Object into the activities



# Technical properties of the Wireless Sensor Node used in the project



- 868 MHz Sender (CC1101)
- Small chip antenna
- Ultra Low Power 16 Bit Microcontroller (MSP430F5437 with 256kByte Flash, 16kByte RAM)
- 48bit unique ID-Chip
- Buzzer
- Red and green LED
- Sensors for Temperature and Movement
- magnetic Reed-Contact
- Additional memory
- Battery (1200mAh)



### Acceptancetest in the Operation Room at the Uniklinikum Erlangen



### Acceptancetest in the Intensive Care at the Uniklinikum Erlangen



## Vision... all logistical activities in hospital are supported by smart objects like Wireless Sensor Networks



- These Technologies should be:
  - Safe and Secure
  - Standardized
  - Cost-effective
  - Accepted by all Stakeholders
  - Easy to Use and seamless integrated in IT-Environment and activities
  - and adaptable to new services and scenarios
- Other Scenarios in Hospitals we are realizing with little to no change to the same generic technology are:
  - Management of mobile medical Devices
  - Tracking and Tracing of Patients to reduce time spent in hospital



# Thank you Any Questions?

