



Nanoparticle based biosensors for diagnostics

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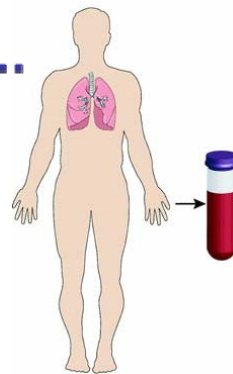
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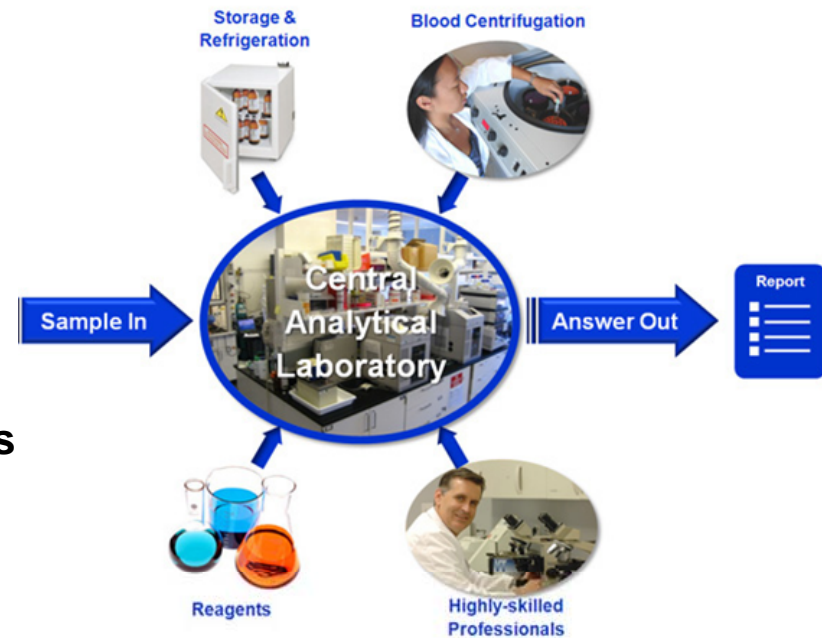
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Traditional process...



- Time consuming
- Expensive equipments/materials
- Specialized professionals



Point-of-care technology...



- Portable Diagnostic Instruments
- Self-Contained Diagnostic Kits
- Ready-to-use Reagents
- Small Laboratory Systems



Electrochemical Biosensors based on Nanoparticles

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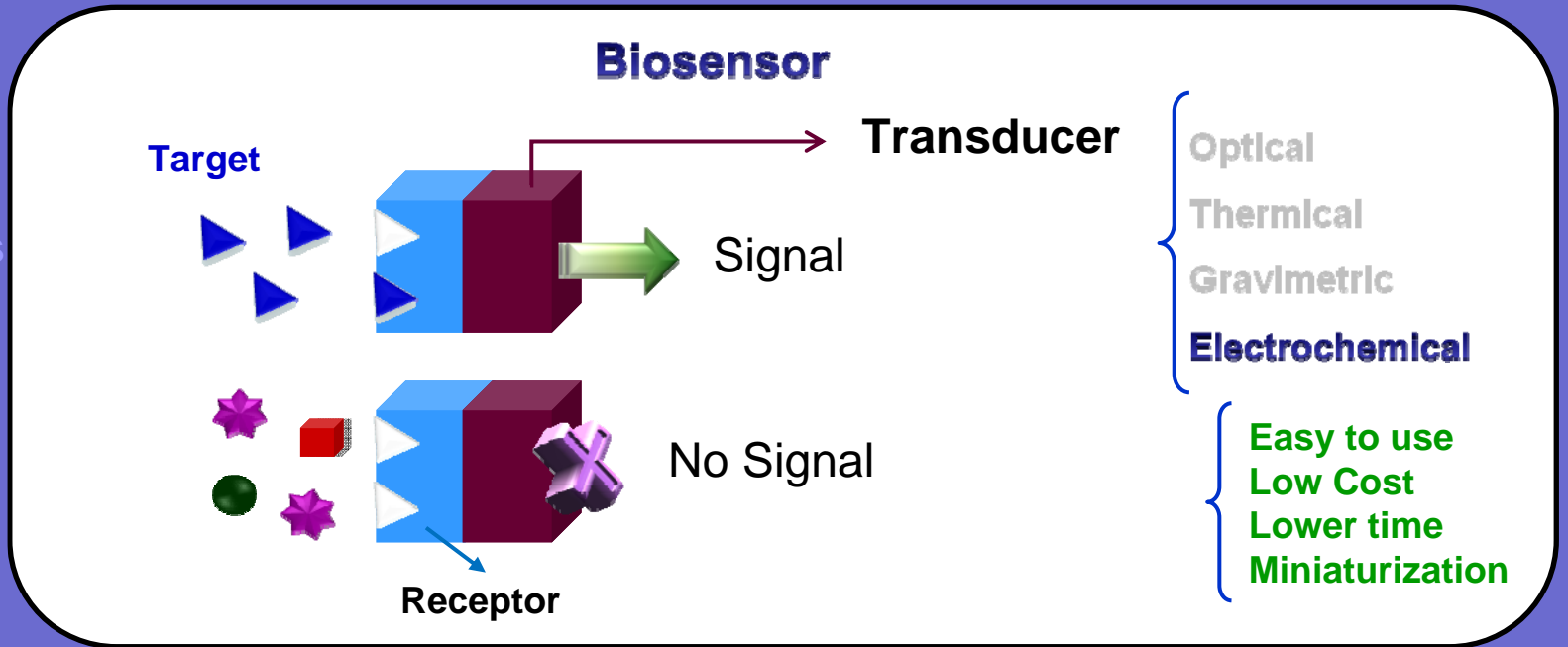
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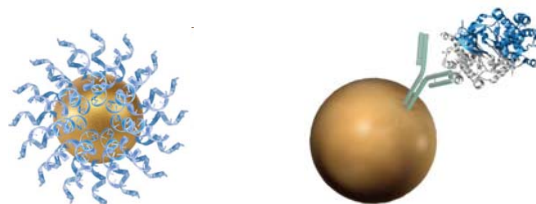
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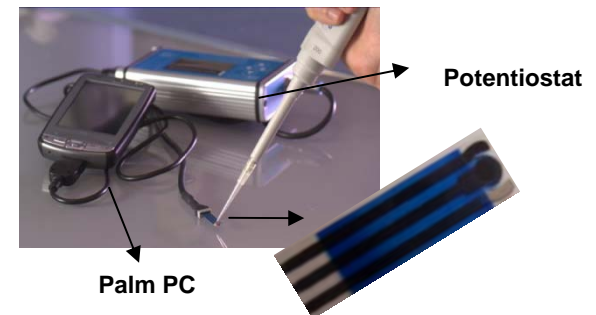


Nanoparticles

- Biocompatibility
- Rapid and simple chemical synthesis
- Excellent electroactivity
- Efficient coating by biomolecules



SPCE as electrotransducers



- Electrochemical advantages
- Low sample volumes (30µL)
- Single use
- Miniaturization/portability

Detection tools: our technologies

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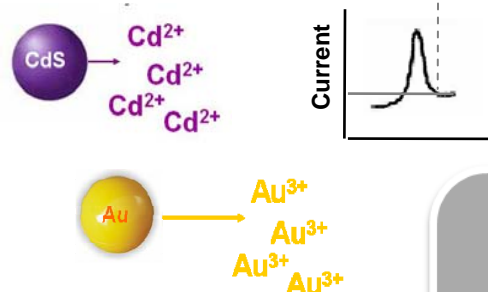
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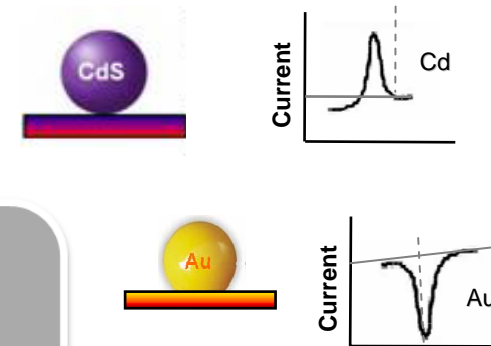
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I. Electrochemical Stripping after dissolving

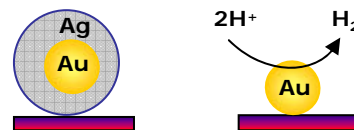


II. Direct DPV detection

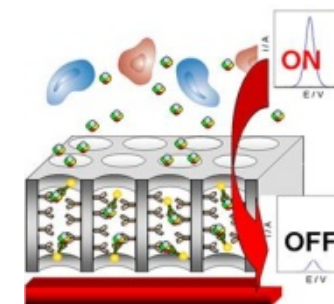


Based on nanoparticles

III. Electrocatalytic detections (Silver deposition, Hydrogen evolution)



IV. Indirect detection through nanochannels blocking



DNA detection based on NPs

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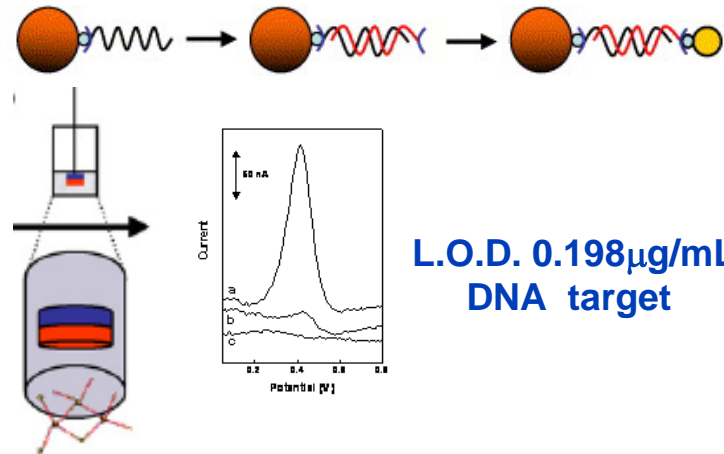
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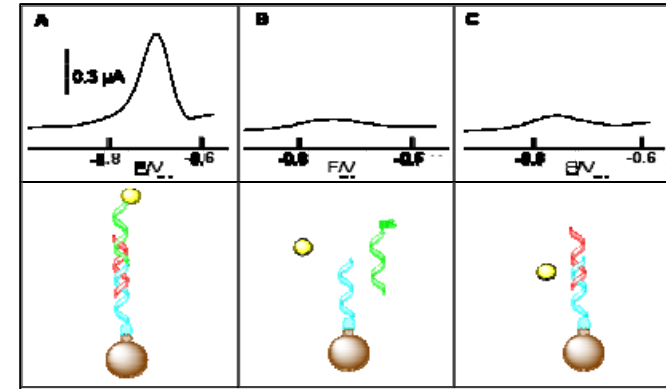
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Breast Cancer related



Biosens. Bioelectron. 2007

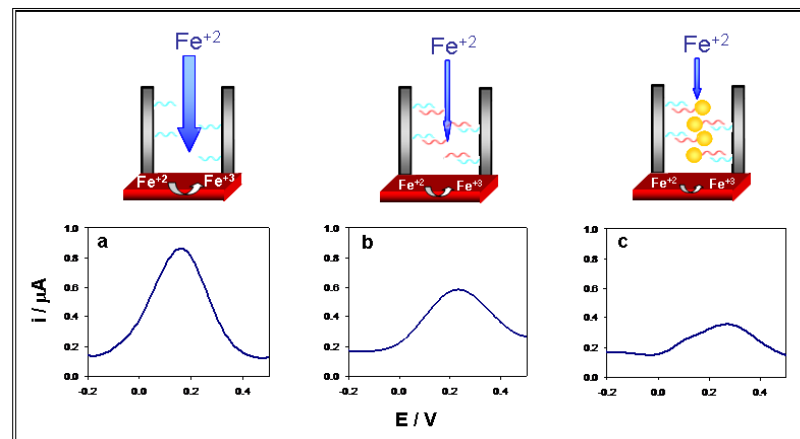
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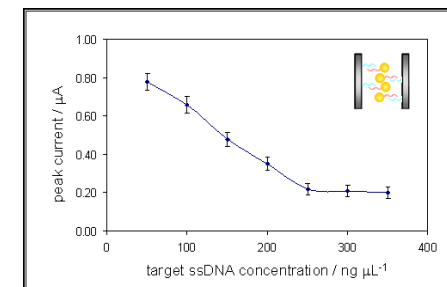
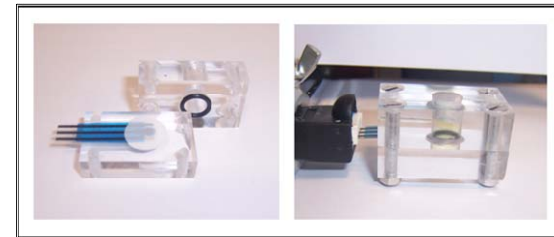
**L.O.D. 1.82µg/mL
DNA target**

Nanotechnology 2009

Detection through blocking of nanochannels



De la Escosura *et al.* *Chem. Com.* 2010



General platforms for protein detection

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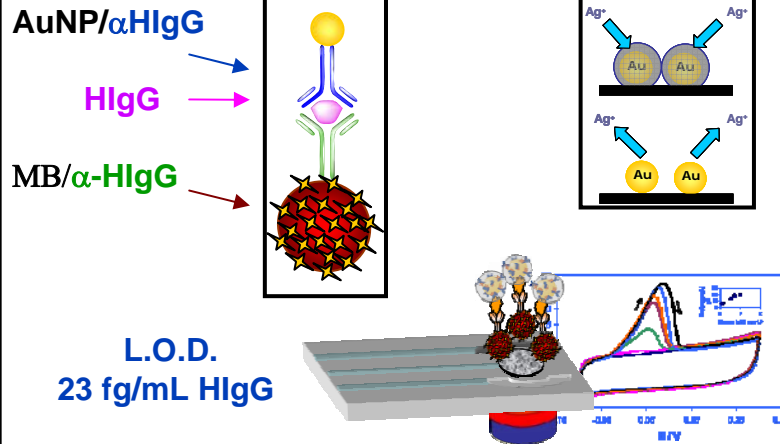
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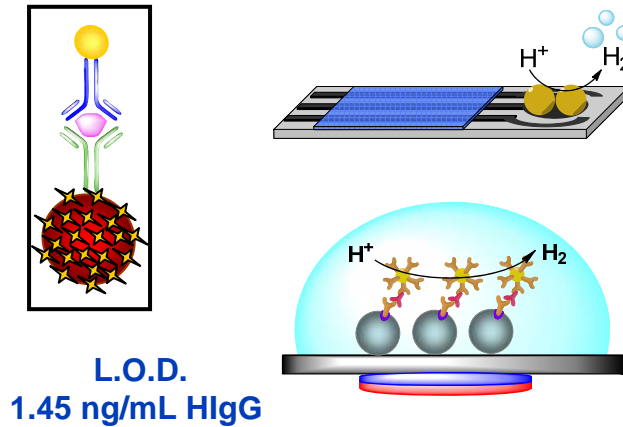
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Silver electrocatalytic deposition



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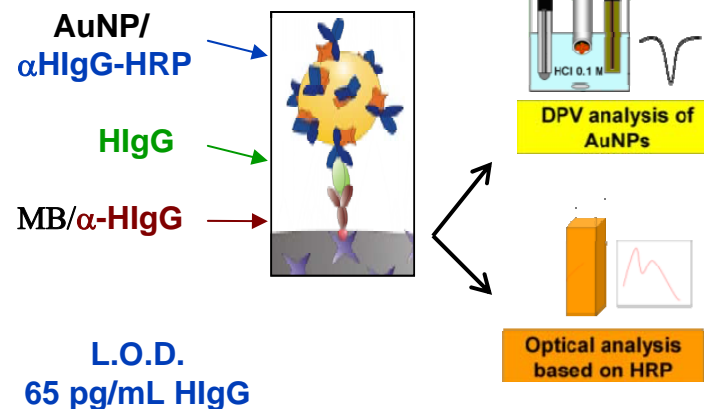
Hydrogen evolution electrocatalysis



Maltez da Costa *et al.*
Electrochem. Com. 2010

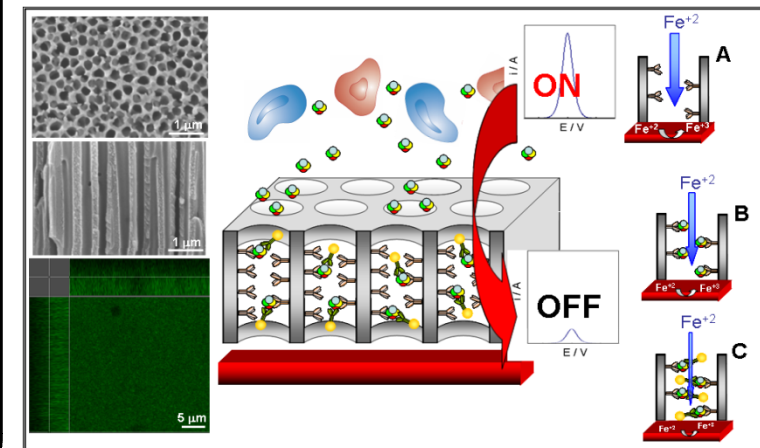
Human IgG

Double detection



Ambrosi *et al.* *Anal. Chem.* 2007

Detection by nanochannels blocking



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Detection of HepB antibodies in Human serum

Collaboration with Dr. A. González (UV)

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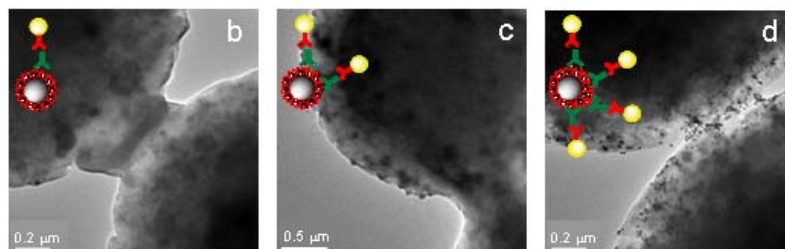
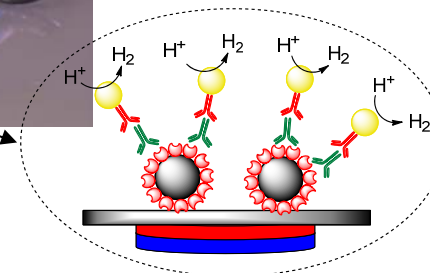
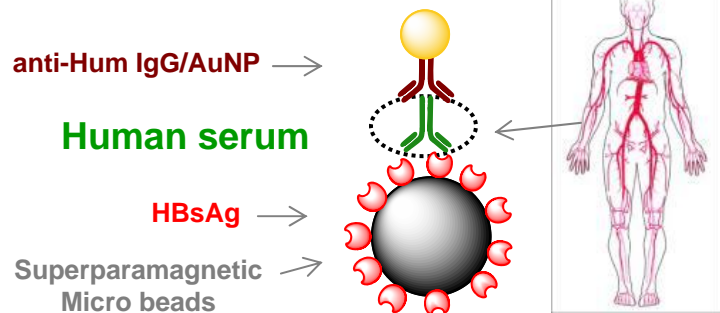
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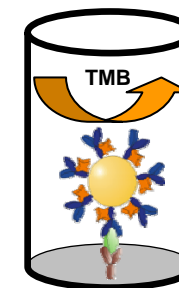
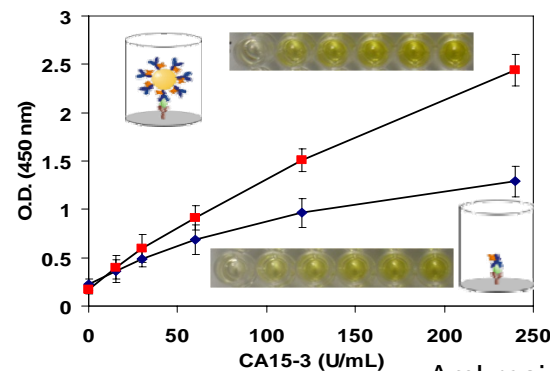
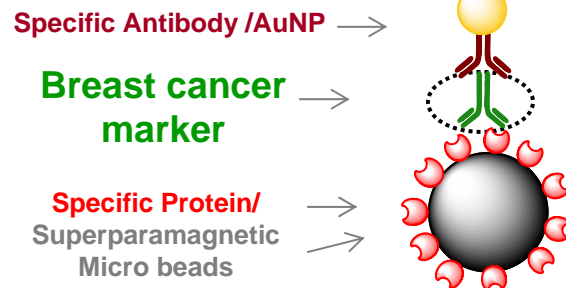
Using the catalytic effect of AuNPs onto HER:

L.O.D: 3 mUI HBV Ab / mL

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Detection of breast cancer marker (Ca15-3)

Project Valtec number 08-1-0007



Ambrosi et al, *Anal. Chem.* 2010

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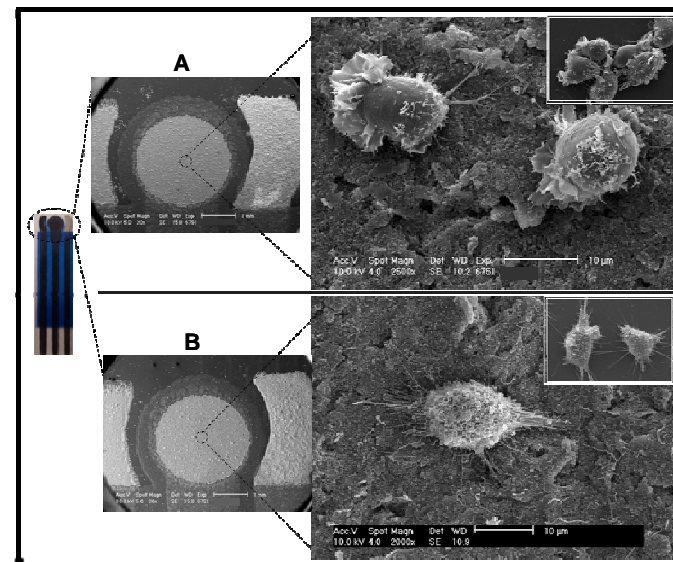
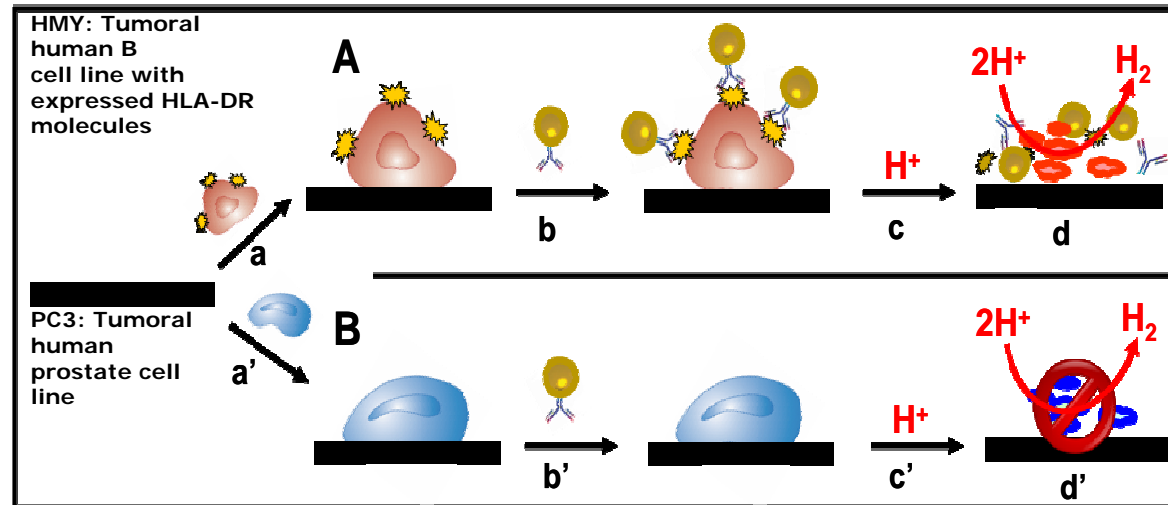
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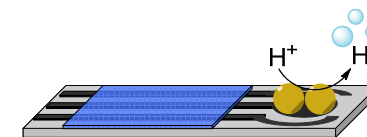
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Using the catalytic effect of AuNPs onto HER



LOD:
4000 cells/ 700 μ L sample

De la Escosura *et al.* *Anal. Chem.* 2009



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- Several platforms for DNA, protein and cell detection are already available for laboratorial use.

- Further technological developments are necessary for point-of-care applications.

- Collaborations with clinical labs and pharmaceutical companies are necessary for special applications & developments following the clinical / market needs.





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