The development of E-Health in the field of cardiovascular medicine

The role of SMART TEXTILES

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  – The cardio vascular domain
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    • Fast access
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Communicate anytime, anywhere
Analogy – Technology Trends

Monitoring anytime, anywhere
Example system from EU FP6 project MyHeart

From preventive healthy living to living with chronic condition

Service center

mobile

home

Monitoring

Diagnosis

Therapy support
Smart textiles for Cardio-vascular applications

• Seamless integration of monitoring sensors and wearable electronics embedded in textiles
  – Smart Textiles are the carrier of sensors and electronics

• Measurement: Standard vital body sign parameters
  – ECG, HR, Breathing, Activity, SpO2, temperature, …

• Measurement: Advanced parameters
  – Bioimpedance, heart sounds, … → lung fluid, cardiac output, …

• Benefits:
  – Allow integration in daily life
  – Allow for ease-of-use
  – Allow reliable self-measurements
    • Positioning of sensors for daily measurements
ECG detection in smart textiles

Avoid glued electrodes ➔ Textile electrodes allow skin contact without skin irritation for daily use
Two piezoresistive fabric sensors integrated in a seamless shirt provide information about thoracic and abdominal respiration (Smartex)
Smart textiles for elderly

• Requirements for medical textiles dedicated for elderly does not allow the use of tight shirt solutions
  – Dressing is major problem
  – Easy-to-dress is necessary to allow accurate and repeatable positioning of the textile sensors on the body
  – A tight textile solution is uncomfortable and therefore not accepted by the users

• Usability testing of textile solutions is a must
Motivations for medical services

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• cardio fitness
• cardiac rehab
• change of habits
• on demand

Fast Access
• reduce time to treatment
• early admission

Disease management
• medication compliance
• early warning
• consultation of specialists

Prevent disease!
Save lives!
longer lifetime!

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Cardiac Rehabilitation:
Shirt for monitoring ECG + Respiration + Activity

• To measure during physical activity
• To guarantee comfort during the rehabilitation training
Intelligent Data Interpretation

- Heart rate [bpm]
- ECG [mV]
- \( \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} [g] \)

Time [s]

- Leaning on wall
- Standing
- Small movements
- Walking
- Standing

Shirt for continuous HR and activity monitoring
Sleep Management

• Aim: Detect/manage sleep problems at home

• Solution: System for monitoring vital parameters in bed

Sensors:

• Textile ECG and piezo foil sensor system (below bed-sheet)
• Textile sheets in collaboration with MyHeart partners
Stroke Rehabilitation: Movement analysis

Catsuit (by Smartex):

Textile solution + hard-sensor system
On-body network:
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Fast Access → Cardiac Monitoring

Applications:

- Heart Attack
  - Time to treatment: 3 hours

- Sudden cardiac death
  - Time to treatment 10 min

- Event monitoring
  - Detection of e.g. Arrhythmias

Smart textiles allow to integrate monitoring technology unobtrusively into normal life.

Continuous monitoring in daily life 24/7
Unobtrusive continuous monitoring
e.g. in underpants
Wearable Health System
EU project Wealthy

- Small and Lightweight
  Only 145g, small PDA size
- Easy user interface
- Data transmission over GPRS link
- Sensor interfaces for:
  - 5-lead ECG
  - Impedance measurement (respiration)
  - Plezo-resistive bands (movement)
  - Skin temperature
  - Standard oximetry sensor
  - Integrated accelerometers
- Signal processing
  - Heart rate
  - ECG enhancement
- Powered by a Li-Ion battery
  - Autonomy up to 4 hours with real-time streaming of all signals over GPRS
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Focus on

Tele-monitoring

Managing the disease of cardiac patients at home
Philips Technology for tele-monitoring: Motiva

Tools to enable Self-Management:
Patient education, coaching and feedback

Inform Nurse with Daily Health Surveys

motiva

Timely Reminders and Goal Setting

Knowledge

Motivation

PTS system
Award-winning Vital Sign Measurement Technologies

Wireless, Accurate, Reliable, Unobtrusive, and Easy to Use

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Innovations enabled by Smart textiles

• Advanced sensor for home monitoring
  – Lung fluid detection by Bio-impedance measurement
    • Early decompensation detection
  – ECG and respiration monitoring during night
    • 6-8 hour continuous monitoring at night to detect trends
Disease Management
solutions developed in MyHeart and HeartCycle
Two prominent European Integrated projects

Measurements of vital signs
for patients per day only twice:
• 15 min morning session
• 15 min evening session

→ No 24/7 monitoring required

→ Advantage
  → Adjusted for patient
  → Ease of use
  → Reliable self-measurements
  → Easy positioning of sensors for daily measurements

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Smart bed: ECG, respiration, activity, sleep assessment during night
BioImpedance Monitor: ECG, lung fluid, activity

Detect decompensation in time and react
MOVIE How the future should be
PHILIPS
MyHeart
EU FP6

Fighting CV diseases by prevention and early diagnosis

Smart clothes, Textile sensors, Wearable electronics, Patient interaction, User devices, Professional platform

+ medical validation

European project
IST E-health (6th framework)

- Duration: 60 months
- Partners: 30 (10 countries)
- Total manpower: ~75 people
- Total budget: ~33 M€
- EC-funding: ~16 M€
HeartCycle is one of the largest Integrated Project (IP) in the ICT for Health sector of the 7th Framework Programme of the European Commission.

HeartCycle addresses challenges of tele-monitoring:

- Technology development, but also:
  - Patient needs
  - Reimbursement
  - Legal framework
  - Medical validation
  - Quantitative indicators of added value and potential impact
  - Integration in healthcare processes

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Medical experts in HeartCycle

guarantee that all application aspects are based on clinical excellence and the medical expert knowledge

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Without EU support not such progress → Framework programmes bring together the different partners from academia, medical and industry

SFIT cluster allows cooperation and information exchange between EC co-financed projects

**SFIT = Smart fabrics, interactive Textile**

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Outline

• Smart textiles will enable new innovations in the delivery of healthcare in the cardio vascular domain
  – they allow to integrate these new technologies into the daily routine of the patients
  – they improve patient acceptance, ease of use for patients, reliability of self-measurements, and allow new advanced sensor measurements

• Smart textiles are only a part of the total management system but can play an important role

• EU-projects involve medical experts and provide research and medical validation of smart textile solutions
  – Medical endorsement
  – Cost benefits
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