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Patent No.	:	10,470,695
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Title	:	ADVANCED PULSE OXIMETRY SENSOR
Conf. No.	:	1002

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- On Page 9, Column 1, Item (56), Line 30, under U.S. Patent Documents, delete “Ai” and insert --Al--.
- On Page 9, Column 1, Item (56), Line 35, under U.S. Patent Documents, delete “Ai” and insert --Al--.
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- On Sheet 7 of 7, FIG. 8, Reference Number 810, Line 2 (Approx.), delete “PROCESSOR” and insert --PROCESSOR--.
- In Column 1, Line 39, delete “ $\mu_{a,\lambda}$ ” and insert -- $\mu_{a,\lambda}$ --.
- In Column 1, Line 42 (Approx.), delete “ $\mu_{a,\lambda}$ ” and insert -- $\mu_{a,\lambda}$ --.
- In Column 7, Line 52, delete “(also” and insert --also--.
- In Column 8, Line 1, delete “Gaussian” and insert --Gaussian--.
- In Column 12, Line 37, delete “light emitting” and insert --light-emitting--.

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TITLE OF INVENTION: ADVANCED PULSE OXIMETRY SENSOR

APPLN. TYPE	ENTITY STATUS	ISSUE FEE DUE	PUBLICATION FEE DUE	PREV. PAID ISSUE FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
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EXAMINER	ART UNIT	CLASS-SUBCLASS
FARDANESH, MARJAN	3791	600-323000

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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)
(Applications filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Office has discontinued providing a Patent Term Adjustment (PTA) calculation with the Notice of Allowance.

Section 1(h)(2) of the AIA Technical Corrections Act amended 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(3)(B)(i) to eliminate the requirement that the Office provide a patent term adjustment determination with the notice of allowance. See Revisions to Patent Term Adjustment, 78 Fed. Reg. 19416, 19417 (Apr. 1, 2013). Therefore, the Office is no longer providing an initial patent term adjustment determination with the notice of allowance. The Office will continue to provide a patent term adjustment determination with the Issue Notification Letter that is mailed to applicant approximately three weeks prior to the issue date of the patent, and will include the patent term adjustment on the patent. Any request for reconsideration of the patent term adjustment determination (or reinstatement of patent term adjustment) should follow the process outlined in 37 CFR 1.705.

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Notice of Allowability	Application No. 16/226,249	Applicant(s) Al-Ali, Ammar	
	Examiner MARJAN FARDANESH	Art Unit 3791	AIA (FITF) Status Yes

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

- 1. This communication is responsive to IDS filed on 08/15/2019.
 A declaration(s)/affidavit(s) under **37 CFR 1.130(b)** was/were filed on _____.
- 2. An election was made by the applicant in response to a restriction requirement set forth during the interview on _____; the restriction requirement and election have been incorporated into this action.
- 3. The allowed claim(s) is/are 57-64,67-70,72-74,77-78,81-83,85 and 87-95 . As a result of the allowed claim(s), you may be eligible to benefit from the **Patent Prosecution Highway** program at a participating intellectual property office for the corresponding application. For more information, please see http://www.uspto.gov/patents/init_events/pph/index.jsp or send an inquiry to **PPHfeedback@uspto.gov**.
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- 6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

- 1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 08/15/2019.
- 3. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material _____.
- 4. Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date. _____.
- 5. Examiner's Amendment/Comment
- 6. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- 7. Other _____.

/MARJAN FARDANESH/
Examiner, Art Unit 3791

/ERIC F WINAKUR/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 3791

Notice of Pre-AIA or AIA Status

1. The present application, filed on or after March 16, 2013, is being examined under the first inventor to file provisions of the AIA.
2. The IDS filed on 08/15/2019 was fully considered and entered. Claims 57-64,67-70,72-74,77-78,81-83,85,87-95 are allowable for the reasons of record.

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to MARJAN FARDANESH whose telephone number is (571)270-5508. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 9:00-17:00.

Examiner interviews are available via telephone, in-person, and video conferencing using a USPTO supplied web-based collaboration tool. To schedule an interview, applicant is encouraged to use the USPTO Automated Interview Request (AIR) at <http://www.uspto.gov/interviewpractice>.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Patricia Mallari can be reached on (571)272-4729. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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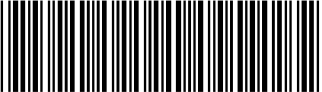
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A PULSE OXIMETER AND A METHOD OF ITS OPERATION

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention

5 This invention is generally in the field of pulse oximetry, and relates to a sensor for use in a pulse oximeter, and a method for the pulse oximeter operation.

Background of the Invention

10 Oximetry is based on spectrophotometric measurements of changes in the color of blood, enabling the non-invasive determination of oxygen saturation in the patient's blood. Generally, oximetry is based on the fact that the optical property of blood in the visible (between 500 and 700nm) and near-infrared (between 700 and 1000nm) spectra depends strongly on the amount of oxygen in blood.

15 Referring to Fig. 1, there is illustrated a hemoglobin spectra measured by oximetry based techniques. Graphs G1 and G2 correspond, respectively, to reduced hemoglobin, or deoxyhemoglobin (Hb), and oxygenated hemoglobin, or oxyhemoglobin (HbO₂), spectra. As shown, deoxyhemoglobin (Hb) has a higher optical extinction (i.e., absorbs more light) in the red region of spectrum around 660nm, as compared to that of oxyhemoglobin (HbO₂). On the other hand, in the near-infrared 20 region of the spectrum around 940nm, the optical absorption by deoxyhemoglobin (Hb) is lower than the optical absorption of oxyhemoglobin (HbO₂).

25 Prior art non-invasive optical sensors for measuring arterial oxyhemoglobin saturation (SaO₂) by a pulse oximeter (termed SpO₂) are typically comprised of a pair of small and inexpensive light emitting diodes (LEDs), and a single highly sensitive silicon photodetector. A red (R) LED centered on a peak emission wavelength around 660nm and an infrared (IR) LED centered on a peak emission wavelength around 940nm are used as light sources.

30 Pulse oximetry relies on the detection of a photoplethysmographic signal caused by variations in the quantity of arterial blood associated with periodic contraction and relaxation of a patient's heart. The magnitude of this signal depends on

the amount of blood ejected from the heart into the peripheral vascular bed with each systolic cycle, the optical absorption of the blood, absorption by skin and tissue components, and the specific wavelengths that are used to illuminate the tissue. SaO₂ is determined by computing the relative magnitudes of the R and IR photoplethysmograms. Electronic circuits inside the pulse oximeter separate the R and IR photoplethysmograms into their respective pulsatile (AC) and non-pulsatile (DC) signal components. An algorithm inside the pulse oximeter performs a mathematical normalization by which the time-varying AC signal at each wavelength is divided by the corresponding time-invariant DC component which results mainly from the light absorbed and scattered by the bloodless tissue, residual arterial blood when the heart is in diastole, venous blood and skin pigmentation.

Since it is assumed that the AC portion results only from the arterial blood component, this scaling process provides a normalized R/IR ratio (i.e., the ratio of AC/DC values corresponding to R- and IR-spectrum wavelengths, respectively), which is highly dependent on SaO₂, but is largely independent of the volume of arterial blood entering the tissue during systole, skin pigmentation, skin thickness and vascular structure. Hence, the instrument does not need to be re-calibrated for measurements on different patients. Typical calibration of a pulse oximeter is illustrated in Fig. 2 by presenting the empirical relationship between SaO₂ and the normalized R/IR ratio, which is programmed by the pulse oximeters' manufacturers.

Pulse oximeters are of two kinds operating, respectively, in transmission and reflection modes. In transmission-mode pulse oximetry, an optical sensor for measuring SaO₂ is usually attached across a fingertip, foot or earlobe, such that the tissue is sandwiched between the light source and the photodetector.

In reflection-mode or backscatter type pulse oximetry, as shown in Fig. 3, the LEDs and photodetector are both mounted side-by-side next to each other on the same planar substrate. This arrangement allows for measuring SaO₂ from multiple convenient locations on the body (e.g. the head, torso, or upper limbs), where conventional transmission-mode measurements are not feasible. For this reason, non-invasive reflectance pulse oximetry has recently become an important new clinical technique

with potential benefits in fetal and neonatal monitoring. Using reflectance oximetry to monitor SaO₂ in the fetus during labor, where the only accessible location is the fetal scalp or cheeks, or on the chest in infants with low peripheral perfusion, provides several more convenient locations for sensor attachment.

5 Reflection pulse oximetry, while being based on similar spectrophotometric principles as the transmission one, is more challenging to perform and has unique problems that can not always be solved by solutions suitable for solving the problems associated with the transmission-mode pulse oximetry. Generally, comparing transmission and reflection pulse oximetry, the problems associated with reflection
10 pulse oximetry consist of the following:

 In reflection pulse oximetry, the pulsatile AC signals are generally very small and, depending on sensor configuration and placement, have larger DC components as compared to those of transmission pulse oximetry. As illustrated in Fig. 4, in addition to the optical absorption and reflection due to blood, the DC signal of the R and IR
15 photoplethysmograms in reflection pulse oximetry can be adversely affected by strong reflections from a bone. This problem becomes more apparent when applying measurements at such body locations as the forehead and the scalp, or when the sensor is mounted on the chest over the ribcage. Similarly, variations in contact pressure between the sensor and the skin can cause larger errors in reflection pulse oximetry (as
20 compared to transmission pulse oximetry) since some of the blood near the superficial layers of the skin may be normally displaced away from the sensor housing towards deeper subcutaneous structures. Consequently, the highly reflective bloodless tissue compartment near the surface of the skin can cause large errors even at body locations where the bone is located too far away to influence the incident light generated by the
25 sensor.

 Another problem with currently available reflectance sensors is the potential for specular reflection caused by the superficial layers of the skin, when an air gap exists between the sensor and the skin, or by direct shunting of light between the LEDs and the photodetector through a thin layer of fluid which may be due to excessive
30 sweating or from amniotic fluid present during delivery.

It is important to keep in mind the two fundamental assumptions underlying the conventional dual-wavelength pulse oximetry, which are as follows:

(1) the path of light rays with different illuminating wavelengths in tissue are substantially equal and, therefore, cancel each other; and (2) each light source
5 illuminates the same pulsatile change in arterial blood volume.

Furthermore, the correlation between optical measurements and tissue absorptions in pulse oximetry are based on the fundamental assumption that light propagation is determined primarily by absorbance due to Lambert-Beer's law neglecting multiple scattering effects in biological tissues. In practice, however, the
10 optical paths of different wavelengths in biological tissues is known to vary more in reflectance oximetry compared to transmission oximetry, since it strongly depends on the light scattering properties of the illuminated tissue and sensor mounting.

Several human validation studies, backed by animal investigations, have suggested that uncontrollable physiological and physical parameters can cause large
15 variations in the calibration curve of reflectance pulse oximeters primarily at low oxygen saturation values below 70%. It was observed that the accuracy of pulse oximeters in clinical use might be adversely affected by a number of physiological parameters when measurements are made from sensors attached to the forehead, chest, or the buttock area. While the exact sources of these variations are not fully understood,
20 it is generally believed that there are a few physiological and anatomical factors that may be the major source of these errors. It is also well known for example that changes in the ratio of blood to bloodless tissue volumes may occur through venous congestion, vasoconstriction/vasodilatation, or through mechanical pressure exerted by the sensor on the skin.

25 Additionally, the empirically derived calibration curve of a pulse oximeter can be altered by the effects of contact pressure exerted by the probe on the skin. This is associated with the following. The light paths in reflectance oximetry are not well defined (as compared to transmission oximetry), and thus may differ between the red and infrared wavelengths. Furthermore, the forehead and scalp areas consist of a
30 relatively thin subcutaneous layer with the cranium bone underneath, while the tissue

of other anatomical structures, such as the buttock and limbs, consists of a much thicker layer of skin and subcutaneous tissues without a nearby bony support that acts as a strong light reflector.

Several in vivo and in vitro studies have confirmed that uncontrollable physiological and physical parameters (e.g., different amounts of contact pressure applied by the sensor on the skin, variation in the ratio of bloodless tissue-to-blood content, or site-to-site variations) can often cause large errors in the oxygen saturation readings of a pulse oximeter, which are normally derived based on a single internally-programmed calibration curve. The relevant in vivo studies are disclosed in the following publications:

1. Dassel, et al., "Effect of location of the sensor on reflectance pulse oximetry", *British Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology*, vol. 104, pp. 910-916, (1997);
2. Dassel, et al., "Reflectance pulse oximetry at the forehead of newborns: The influence of varying pressure on the probe", *Journal of Clinical Monitoring*, vol. 12, pp. 421-428, (1996).]

The relevant in vitro studies are disclosed, for example in the following publication:

3. Edrich et al., "Fetal pulse oximetry: influence of tissue blood content and hemoglobin concentration in a new in-vitro model", *European Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology and Reproductive Biology*, vol. 72, suppl. 1, pp. S29-S34, (1997).

Improved sensors for application in dual-wavelength reflectance pulse oximetry have been developed. As disclosed in the following publication: Mendelson, et al., "Noninvasive pulse oximetry utilizing skin reflectance photoplethysmography", *IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Engineering*, vol. 35, no. 10, pp. 798-805 (1988), the total amount of backscattered light that can be detected by a reflectance sensor is directly proportional to the number of photodetectors placed around the LEDs. Additional improvements in signal-to-noise ratio were achieved by increasing the active area of the photodetector and optimizing the separation distance between the light sources and photodetectors.

Another approach is based on the use of a sensor having six photodiodes arranged symmetrically around the LEDs that is disclosed in the following publications:

4. Mendelson, et al., "Design and evaluation of a new reflectance pulse oximeter sensor", *Medical Instrumentation*, vol. 22, no. 4, pp. 167-173 (1988); and

5. Mendelson, et al., "Skin reflectance pulse oximetry: in vivo measurements from the forearm and calf", *Journal of Clinical Monitoring*, vol. 7, pp. 7-12, (1991).

According to this approach, in order to maximize the fraction of backscattered light collected by the sensor, the currents from all six photodiodes are summed electronically by internal circuitry in the pulse oximeter. This configuration essentially creates a large area photodetector made of six discrete photodiodes connected in parallel to produce a single current that is proportional to the amount of light backscattered from the skin. Several studies showed that this sensor configuration could be used successfully to accurately measure SaO₂ from the forehead, forearm and the calf on humans. However, this sensor requires a means for heating the skin in order to increase local blood flow, which has practical limitations since it could cause skin burns.

Yet another prototype reflectance sensor is based on eight dual-wavelength LEDs and a single photodiode, and is disclosed in the following publication: Takatani et al., "Experimental and clinical evaluation of a noninvasive reflectance pulse oximeter sensor", *Journal of Clinical Monitoring*, vol. 8, pp. 257-266 (1992). Here, four R and four IR LEDs are spaced at 90-degree intervals around the substrate and at an equal radial distance from the photodiode.

A similar sensor configuration based on six photodetectors mounted in the center of the sensor around the LEDs is disclosed in the following publication: Konig, et al., "Reflectance pulse oximetry – principles and obstetric application in the Zurich system", *Journal of Clinical Monitoring*, vol. 14, pp. 403-412 (1998).

According to the techniques disclosed in all of the above publications, only LEDs of two wavelengths, R and IR, are used as light sources, and the computation of SaO₂ is based on reflection photoplethysmograms measured by a single photodetector, regardless of whether one or multiple photodiodes chips are used to construct the sensor. This is because of the fact that the individual signals from the photodetector

elements are all summed together electronically inside the pulse oximeter. Furthermore, while a radially-symmetric photodetector array can help to maximize the detection of backscattered light from the skin and minimize differences from local tissue inhomogeneity, human and animal studies confirmed that this configuration can not
5 completely eliminate errors caused by pressure differences and site-to-site variations.

The use of a nominal dual-wavelength pair of 735/890nm was suggested as providing the best choice for optimizing accuracy, as well as sensitivity in dual-wavelength reflectance pulse oximetry, in US 5,782,237 and 5,421,329. This approach minimizes the effects of tissue heterogeneity and enables to obtain a balance in path
10 length changes arising from perturbations in tissue absorbance. This is disclosed in the following publications:

6. Mannheimer at al., "Physio-optical considerations in the design of fetal pulse oximetry sensors", European Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology and Reproductive Biology, vol. 72, suppl. 1, pp. S9-S19, (1997); and
- 15 7. Mannheimer at al., "Wavelength selection for low-saturation pulse oximetry", IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Engineering, vol. 44, no. 3, pp. 48-158 (1997)].

However, replacing the conventional R wavelength at 660nm, which coincides with the region of the spectrum where the difference between the extinction coefficient
20 of Hb and HbO₂ is maximal, with a wavelength emitting at 735nm, not only lowers considerably the overall sensitivity of a pulse oximeter, but does not completely eliminate errors due to sensor placement and varying contact pressures.

Pulse oximeter probes of a type comprising three or more LEDs for filtering noise and monitoring other functions, such as carboxyhemoglobin or various indicator
25 dyes injected into the blood stream, have been developed and are disclosed, for example, in WO 00/32099 and US 5,842,981. The techniques disclosed in these publications are aimed at providing an improved method for direct digital signal formation from input signals produced by the sensor and for filtering noise.

None of the above prior art techniques provides a solution to overcome the
30 most essential limitation in reflectance pulse oximetry, which requires the automatic

correction of the internal calibration curve from which accurate and reproducible oxygen saturation values are derived, despite variations in contact pressure or site-to-site tissue heterogeneity.

5 In practice, most sensors used in reflection pulse oximetry rely on closely spaced LED wavelengths in order to minimize the differences in the optical path lengths of the different wavelengths. Nevertheless, within the wavelength range required for oximetry, even closely spaced LEDs with closely spaced wavelengths mounted on the same substrate can lead to large random error in the final determination of SaO₂.

10 SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION AND ADVANTAGES

The object of the invention is to provide a novel sensor design and method that functions to correct the calibration relationship of a reflectance pulse oximeter, and reduce measurement inaccuracies in general. Another object of the invention is to provide a novel sensor and method that functions to correct the calibration relationship
15 of a reflectance pulse oximeter, and reduce measurement inaccuracies in the lower range of oxygen saturation values (typically below 70%), which is the predominant range in neonatal and fetal applications.

Yet another object of the present invention is to provide automatic correction of the internal calibration curve from which oxygen saturation is derived inside the
20 oximeter in situations where variations in contact pressure or site-to-site tissue heterogeneity may cause large measurement inaccuracies.

Another object of the invention is to eliminate or reduce the effect of variations in the calibration of a reflectance pulse oximeter between subjects, since perturbations caused by contact pressure remain one of the major sources of errors in
25 reflectance pulse oximetry. In fetal pulse oximetry, there are additional factors, which must be properly compensated for in order to produce an accurate and reliable measurement of oxygen saturation. For example, the fetal head is usually the presenting part, and is a rather easily accessible location for application of reflectance pulse oximetry. However, uterine contractions can cause large and unpredictable variations
30 in the pressure exerted on the head and by the sensor on the skin, which can lead to

large errors in the measurement of oxygen saturation by a dual-wavelength reflectance pulse oximeter. Another object of the invention is to provide accurate measurement of oxygen saturation in the fetus during delivery.

The basis for the errors in the oxygen saturation readings of a dual-wavelength pulse oximeter is the fact that, in practical situations, the reflectance sensor applications affect the distribution of blood in the superficial layers of the skin. This is different from an ideal situation, when a reflectance sensor measures light backscattered from a homogenous mixture of blood and bloodless tissue components. Therefore, the R and IR DC signals practically measured by photodetectors contain a relatively larger proportion of light absorbed by and reflected from the bloodless tissue compartments. In these uncontrollable practical situations, the changes caused are normally not compensated for automatically by calculating the normalized R/IR ratio since the AC portions of each photoplethysmogram, and the corresponding DC components, are affected differently by pressure or site-to-site variations. Furthermore, these changes depend not only on wavelength, but depend also on the sensor geometry, and thus cannot be eliminated completely by computing the normalized R/IR ratio, as is typically the case in dual-wavelength pulse oximeters.

The inventor has found that the net result of this nonlinear effect is to cause large variations in the slope of the calibration curves. Consequently, if these variations are not compensated automatically, they will cause large errors in the final computation of SpO₂, particularly at low oxygen saturation levels normally found in fetal applications.

Another object of the present invention is to compensate for these variations and to provide accurate measurement of oxygen saturation. The invention consists of, in addition to two measurement sessions typically carried out in pulse oximetry based on measurements with two wavelengths centered around the peak emission values of 660nm (red spectrum) and 940nm ± 20nm (IR spectrum), one additional measurement session is carried out with an additional wavelength. At least one additional wavelength is preferably chosen to be substantially in the IR region of the electromagnetic spectrum, i.e., in the NIR-IR spectrum (having the peak emission value above 700nm).

In a preferred embodiment the use of at least three wavelengths enables the calculation of an at least one additional ratio formed by the combination of the two IR wavelengths, which is mostly dependent on changes in contact pressure or site-to-site variations. In a preferred embodiment, slight dependence of the ratio on variations in arterial oxygen saturation that may occur, is easily minimized or eliminated completely, by the proper selection and matching of the peak emission wavelengths and spectral characteristics of the at least two IR-light sources.

Preferably, the selection of the IR wavelengths is based on certain criteria. The IR wavelengths are selected to coincide with the region of the optical absorption curve where HbO₂ absorbs slightly more light than Hb. The IR wavelengths are in the spectral regions where the extinction coefficients of both Hb and HbO₂ are nearly equal and remain relatively constant as a function of wavelength, respectively.

In a preferred embodiment, tracking changes in the ratio formed by the two IR wavelengths, in real-time, permits automatic correction of errors in the normalized ratio obtained from the R-wavelength and each of the IR-wavelengths. The term "ratio" signifies the ratio of two values of AC/DC corresponding to two different wavelengths. This is similar to adding another equation to solve a problem with at least three unknowns (i.e., the relative concentrations of HbO₂ and Hb, which are used to calculate SaO₂, and the unknown variable fraction of blood-to-tissue volumes that effects the accurate determination of SaO₂), which otherwise must rely on only two equations in the case of only two wavelengths used in conventional dual-wavelength pulse oximetry. In a preferred embodiment, a third wavelength provides the added ability to compute SaO₂ based on the ratio formed from the R-wavelength and either of the IR-wavelengths. In a preferred embodiment, changes in these ratios are tracked and compared in real-time to determine which ratio produces a more stable or less noisy signal. That ratio is used predominantly for calculating SaO₂.

The present invention utilizes collection of light reflected from the measurement location at different detection locations arranged along a closed path around light emitting elements, which can be LEDs or laser sources. Preferably, these detection locations are arranged in two concentric rings, the so-called "near" and "far"

rings, around the light emitting elements. This arrangement enables optimal positioning of the detectors for high quality measurements, and enables discrimination between photodetectors receiving “good” information (i.e., AC and DC values which would result in accurate calculations of SpO₂) and “bad” information (i.e., AC and DC values
5 which would result in inaccurate calculations of SpO₂).

There is thus provided according to one aspect of the present invention, a sensor for use in an optical measurement device for non-invasive measurements of blood parameters, the sensor comprising:

(1) a light source for illuminating a measurement location with incident light
10 of at least three wavelengths, the first wavelength lying in a red (R) spectrum, and the at least second and third wavelengths lying substantially in the infrared (IR) spectrum; and

(2) a detector assembly for detecting light returned from the illuminated location, the detector assembly being arranged so as to define a plurality of detection
15 locations along at least one closed path around the light source.

The term “closed path” used herein signifies a closed curve, like a ring, ellipse, or polygon, and the like.

The detector assembly is comprised of at least one array of discrete detectors (e.g., photodiodes) accommodated along at least one closed path, or at least one
20 continuous photodetector defining the closed path.

The term “substantially IR spectrum” used herein signifies a spectrum range including near infrared and infrared regions.

According to another aspect of the present invention, there is provided a pulse oximeter utilizing a sensor constructed as defined above, and a control unit for
25 operating the sensor and analyzing data generated thereby.

According to yet another aspect of the present invention, there is provided a method for non-invasive determination of a blood parameter, the method comprising the steps of:

illuminating a measurement location with at least three different wavelengths
30 λ_1 , λ_2 and λ_3 , the first wavelength λ_1 lying in a red (R) spectrum, and the at least

second and at least third wavelengths λ_2 and λ_3 lying substantially in the infrared (IR) spectrum;

detecting light returned from the measurement location at different detection locations and generating data indicative of the detected light, wherein said different
5 detection locations are arranged so as to define at least one closed path around the measurement location; and

analyzing the generated data and determining the blood parameter.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

10 Other advantages of the present invention will be readily appreciated as the same becomes better understood by reference to the following detailed description when considered in connection with the accompanying drawings wherein:

Fig. 1 illustrates hemoglobin spectra as measured by oximetry based techniques;

Fig. 2 illustrates a calibration curve used in pulse oximetry as typically
15 programmed by the pulse oximeters manufacturers;

Fig. 3 illustrates the relative disposition of light source and detector in reflection-mode or backscatter type pulse oximetry;

Fig. 4 illustrates light propagation in reflection pulse oximetry;

Figs. 5A and 5B illustrate a pulse oximeter reflectance sensor operating under
20 ideal and practical conditions, respectively;

Fig. 6 illustrates variations of the slopes of calibration curves in reflectance pulse oximetry measurements;

Fig. 7 illustrates an optical sensor according to the invention;

Fig. 8 is a block diagram of the main components of a pulse oximeter utilizing
25 the sensor of Fig. 7;

Fig. 9 is a flow chart of a selection process used in the signal processing technique according to the invention; and

Figs. 10A to 10C are flow charts of three main steps, respectively, of the signal processing method according to the invention.

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

Referring to the Figures, wherein like numerals indicate like or corresponding parts throughout the several views, Figs. 1 and 2 illustrate typical hemoglobin spectra and calibrations curve utilized in the pulse oximetry measurements.

5 The present invention provides a sensor for use in a reflection-mode or backscatter type pulse oximeter. The relative disposition of light source and detector in the reflection-mode pulse oximeter are illustrated in Fig. 3.

Fig. 4 shows light propagation in the reflection-mode pulse oximeter where, in addition to the optical absorption and reflection due to blood, the DC signal of the R and IR photoplethysmograms can be adversely affected by strong reflections from the bone.

Figs. 5A and 5B illustrate a pulse oximeter reflectance sensor operating under, respectively, ideal and practical conditions. Referring now to Fig. 5A, it is shown that, under ideal conditions, reflectance sensor measures light backscattered from a homogenous mixture of blood and bloodless tissue components. Accordingly, the normalized R/IR ratio in dual-wavelength reflection type pulse oximeters, which relies on proportional changes in the AC and DC components in the photoplethysmograms, only reflect changes in arterial oxygen saturation.

Referring now to Fig. 5B, in practical situations, the sensor applications affect the distribution of blood in the superficial layers of the skin. Accordingly, the R and IR DC signals measured by photodetectors contain a relatively larger proportion of light absorbed by and reflected from the bloodless tissue compartments. As such, the changes in DC signals depend not only on wavelength but also sensor geometry and thus cannot be eliminated completely by computing the normalized R/IR ratio, as is typically the case in dual-wavelength pulse oximeters. The result is large variations in the slope of the calibration curves, as illustrated in Fig. 6. Referring now to Fig. 6, graphs C1, C2 and C3 show three calibration curves, presenting the variation of the slope for oxygen saturation values between 50% and 100%.

Referring to Fig. 7, there is illustrated an optical sensor 10 designed according to the invention aimed at minimizing some of the measurement inaccuracies in a

reflectance pulse oximeter. The sensor 10 comprises such main constructional parts as a light source 12 composed of three closely spaced light emitting elements (e.g., LEDs or laser sources) 12a, 12b and 12c generating light of three different wavelengths, respectively; an array of discrete detectors (e.g., photodiodes), a “far” detector 16 and
5 a “near” detector 18, arranged in two concentric ring-like arrangements (constituting closed paths) surrounding the light emitting elements; and a light shield 14. In the present example, six photodiodes form each ring. All these elements are accommodated in a sensor housing 17. The light shield 14 is positioned between the photodiodes and the light emitting elements, and prevents direct optical coupling between them, thereby
10 maximizing the fraction of backscattered light passing through the arterially perfused vascular tissue in the detected light.

It should be noted that more than three wavelengths can be utilized in the sensor. The actual numbers of wavelengths used as a light source and the number of photodetectors in each ring are not limited and depend only on the electronic circuitry
15 inside the oximeter. The array of discrete photodiodes can be replaced by one or more continuous photodetector rings.

In addition to the R and IR light emitting elements 12a and 12b as used in the conventional pulse oximeter sensors, the sensor 10 incorporates the third, reference, light emitting element 12c, which emits light in the NIR-IR spectrum. Wavelength λ_1
20 and λ_2 of the R and IR light emitting elements 12a and 12b are centered, respectively, around the peak emission values of 660nm and 940nm, and wavelength λ_3 of the third light emitting element 12c has the peak emission value above 700nm (typically ranging between 800nm and 900nm). In the description below, the light emitting elements 12b and 12c are referred to as two IR light emitting elements, and wavelengths λ_2 and λ_3
25 are referred to as two IR wavelengths.

During the operation of the sensor 10, different light emitting elements are selectively operated for illuminating a measurement location (not shown) with different wavelengths. Each of the photodetectors detects reflected light of different wavelengths and generates data indicative of the intensity I of the detected light of different
30 wavelengths.

It should be noted that the sensor can be of a compact design utilizing an integrated circuit manufactured by CMOS technology. This technique is disclosed in a co-pending application assigned to the assignee of the present application. According to this technique, the sensor comprises a package including the light source, a block of two tubular optical waveguides of different diameters concentrically dislocated one inside the other and surrounding the light source, and an integrated circuit plate comprising two ring-like areas of photodiodes positioned concentrically one inside the other. The integrated circuit is also provided with a plurality of printed contact areas and electric conductors intended for mounting the light source thereon, controlling the light source, and transmitting electric signals produced by the photodiodes areas for further processing.

Fig. 8 illustrates a block diagram of a pulse oximeter 20 utilizing the above-described sensor 10. The pulse oximeter typically includes a control unit 21, which is composed of an electronic block 22 including A/D and D/A converters connectable to the sensor 10, a microprocessor 24 for analyzing measured data, and a display 26 for presenting measurement results. The measured data (i.e., electrical output of the sensor 10 indicative of the detected light) is directly processed in the block 22, and the converted signal is further processed by the microprocessor 24. The microprocessor 24 is operated by a suitable software model for analyzing the measured data and utilizing reference data (i.e., calibration curve stored in a memory) to compute the oxygen saturation value, which is then presented on the display 26. The analysis of the measured data utilizes the determination of AC- and DC-components in the detected light for each wavelength, λ_1 , λ_2 , and λ_3 , respectively, i.e., $I_1^{(AC)}$, $I_1^{(DC)}$, $I_2^{(AC)}$, $I_2^{(DC)}$, $I_3^{(AC)}$, and $I_3^{(DC)}$, and the calculation of AC/DC ratio for each wavelength, namely, $W_1=I_1^{(AC)}/I_1^{(DC)}$, $W_2=I_2^{(AC)}/I_2^{(DC)}$, and $W_3=I_3^{(AC)}/I_3^{(DC)}$, as will be described more specifically further below with reference to Figs. 9 and 10A-10C.

The pulse oximeter 20 with the sensor arrangement shown in Fig. 7 provides the following three possible ratio values: W_1/W_2 , W_1/W_3 and W_2/W_3 . It should be noted that W_1/W_2 and W_1/W_3 are the ratios that typically have the highest sensitivity to oxygen saturation. This is due to the fact that λ_1 is chosen in the red region of the

electromagnetic spectrum, where the changes in the absorption between Hb and HbO₂ are the largest, as described above with reference to Fig. 1. Therefore, in principle, the absorption ratios formed by either wavelength pair λ_1 and λ_2 or wavelength pair λ_1 and λ_3 can be used to compute the value of SaO₂.

5 The inventor conducted extensive human and animal studies, and confirmed that either of the two ratios W_1/W_2 and W_1/W_3 can be affected not only by changes in arterial oxygen saturation, but also by sensor placement and by the amount of pressure applied by the sensor on the skin. Any calculation of SaO₂ based on either of the two ratios W_1/W_2 and W_1/W_3 alone (as normally done in commercially available dual-
10 wavelength pulse oximeters) could result in significant errors. Furthermore, since at least two wavelengths are necessary for the calculation of arterial oxygen saturation, it is not feasible to self-correct the calibration curve for variations due to contact pressure or site-to-site variations utilizing the same two wavelengths used already to compute SaO₂.

15 The inventor has found that the third ratio W_2/W_3 formed by the combination of the two IR wavelengths is mostly dependent on changes in contact pressure or site-to-site variations. Furthermore, this ratio can depend, but to a much lesser degree, on variations in arterial oxygen saturation. The dependency on arterial oxygen saturation, however, is easily minimized or eliminated completely, for example by selection and
20 matching of the peak emission wavelengths and spectral characteristics of the two IR light emitting elements 12b and 12c.

 Generally, the two IR wavelengths λ_2 and λ_3 are selected to coincide with the region of the optical absorption curve where HbO₂ absorbs slightly more light than Hb, but in the spectral region, respectively, where the extinction coefficients of both Hb and
25 HbO₂ are nearly equal and remain relatively constant as a function of wavelength. For example, at 940nm and 880nm, the optical extinction coefficients of Hb and HbO₂ are approximately equal to 0.29 and 0.21, respectively. Therefore, ideally, the ratio of W_2/W_3 should be close to 1, except for situations when the AC/DC signals measured from λ_2 and λ_3 are affected unequally causing the ratio W_2/W_3 to deviate from 1.

Fortunately, variations in the ratio W_2/W_3 mimic changes in the ratios W_1/W_2 and W_1/W_3 , since these ratios are all affected by similar variations in sensor positioning or other uncontrollable factors that normally can cause large errors in the calibration curve from which oxygen saturation is typically derived. Thus, by tracking in real-time
5 changes in the ratio formed by wavelengths λ_2 and λ_3 , it is possible to automatically correct for errors in the normalized ratios obtained from wavelengths λ_1 and λ_2 , or from λ_1 and λ_3 .

The use of an additional third wavelength in the sensor serves another important function (not available in conventional dual-wavelength pulse oximeters),
10 which is associated with the following. Reflectance pulse oximeters have to be capable of detecting and relying on the processing of relatively low quality photoplethysmographic signals. Accordingly, electronic or optical noise can cause large inaccuracies in the final computation of SaO_2 . Although the amount of electronic or optical noise pickup from the sensor can be minimized to some extent, it is impossible
15 to render the signals measured by the pulse oximeter completely noise free. Therefore, pulse oximeters rely on the assumption that any noise picked up during the measurement would be cancelled by calculating the ratio between the R- and IR-light intensities measured by the photodetector. Practically, however, the amount of noise that is superimposed on the R- and IR-photoplethysmograms cannot be cancelled
20 completely and, thus, can lead to significant errors in the final computation of SaO_2 which, in dual-wavelength pulse oximeters, is based only on the ratio between two wavelengths.

By utilizing a third wavelength, the invention has the added ability to compute SaO_2 based on the ratio formed from either W_1/W_2 or W_1/W_3 . An algorithm utilized in
25 the pulse oximeter according to the invention has the ability to track and compare in real-time changes between W_1/W_2 and W_1/W_3 to determine which ratio produces a more stable or less noisy signal and selectively choose the best ratio for calculating SaO_2 .

The method according to the invention utilizes the so-called "selection process" as part of the signal processing technique based on the measured data obtained
30 with the multiple photodetectors. The main steps of the selection process are shown in

Fig. 9 in a self-explanatory manner. Here, the symbol i corresponds to a single photodetector element in the array of multiple discrete photodetector elements, the term “ i st” signifies the last photodetector element in the array, and the term “DATA” signify three ratios (AC/DC) computed separately for each of the three wavelengths, namely,
5 W_1 , W_2 and W_3 .

The selection process is associated with the following: Practically, each time one of the light emitting elements is in its operative position (i.e., switched on), all of the photodetectors in the sensor receiving backscattered light from the skin. However, the intensity of the backscattered light measured by each photodetector may be different
10 from that measured by the other photodetectors, depending on the anatomical structures underneath the sensor and its orientation relative to these structures.

Thus, the selection process is used to discriminate between photodetectors receiving “good” signals (i.e., “good” signal meaning that the calculation of SpO_2 from the pulsating portion of the electro-optic signal (AC) and the constant portion (DC) would result in accurate value) and “bad” signals (i.e., having AC and DC values which would result in inaccurate calculations of SpO_2). Accordingly, each data point (i.e., ratio
15 W_{1i} , W_{2i} or W_{3i} detected at the corresponding i^{th} detector) is either accepted, if it meets a certain criteria based for example on a certain ratio of AC to DC values (e.g., such that the intensity of AC signal is about 0.05-2.0% of the intensity of DC signal), or rejected.
20 All of the accepted data points (data from accepted detection locations) are then used to calculate the ratios W_1/W_2 , W_1/W_3 and W_2/W_3 , and to calculate the SpO_2 value, in conjunction with the signal processing technique, as will be described further below with reference to Figs. 10A-10C.

Besides the use of the third IR-wavelength to compensate for changes in the
25 internal calibration curve of the pulse oximeter, the pulse oximeter utilizing the sensor according to the invention provides a unique new method to compensate for errors due to sensor positioning and pressure variability. This method is based on multiple photodetector elements, instead of the conventional approach that relies on a single photodetector.

While optical sensors with multiple photodetectors for application in reflectance pulse oximetry have been described before, their main limitation relates to the way the information derived from these photodetectors is processed. Although the primary purpose of utilizing multiple photodetectors is to collect a larger portion of the backscattered light from the skin, practically, summing the individual intensities of each photodetector and using the resulting value to compute SaO_2 can introduce large errors into the calculations. These errors can be caused, for example, by situations where the sensor is placed over inhomogeneous tissue structures such as when the sensor is mounted on the chest. The case may be such that, when using a continuous photodetector ring to collect the backscattered light, a portion of the photodetector ring lies over a rib, which acts as a strongly reflecting structure that contributes to a strong DC component, and the remaining part of the photodetector is positioned over the intercostals space, where the DC signal is much smaller. In this case, the final calculation of SaO_2 would be inaccurate, if the current produced by this photodetector is used indiscriminately to compute the DC value before the final computation of SaO_2 is performed. Therefore, in addition to automatically correcting errors in the calibration curve as outlined above using three different LEDs (one R and two different IR wavelengths), the sensor has the optional ability to track automatically and compare changes in the R/IR ratios obtained from each of the discrete photodiodes individually. For example, if some of either the near or the far photodetectors in the two concentrically arranged arrays detect larger than normal DC signals during the operation of one of the photodiodes compared to the other photodiodes in the sensor, it could be indicative of one of the following situations: the sensor is positioned unevenly, the sensor is partially covering a bony structure, or uneven pressure is exerted by the sensor on the skin causing partial skin "blanching" and therefore the blood-to-bloodless tissue ratio might be too high to allow accurate determination of SaO_2 . If such a situation is detected, the oximeter has the ability to selectively disregard the readings obtained from the corresponding photodetectors. Otherwise, if the DC and AC signals measured from each photodetector in the array are similar in magnitude, which is an indication that the

sensor is positioned over a homogeneous area on the skin, the final computation of SaO_2 can be based on equal contributions from every photodetector in the array.

Turning now to Figs. 10A, 10B and 10C, there are illustrated three main steps of the signal processing technique utilized in the present invention. Here, TH_1 and TH_2 are two different threshold values (determined experimentally) related respectively to W_2/W_3 and $(W_1/W_2 - W_1/W_3)$.

During step 1 (Fig. 10A), measured data generated by the “near” and “far” photodetectors indicative of the detected (backscattered) light of wavelength λ_2 and λ_3 is analyzed to calculate the two ratios W_2/W_3 (far and near). If one of the calculated ratios (far or near) is not in the range of $1 \pm TH_1$ (TH_1 is for example 0.1), then this data point is rejected from the SpO_2 calculation, but if both of them are not in the mentioned range, a corresponding alarm is generated indicative of that the sensor position should be adjusted. Only if there are calculated ratios which are in the range of $1 \pm TH_1$, they are accepted and the process (data analysis) proceeds by performing step 2.

Step 2 (Fig. 10B) consists of determining whether the quality of each photoplethysmogram is acceptable or not. The quality determination is based on the relative magnitude of each AC component compared to its corresponding DC component. If the quality is not acceptable (e.g., the signal shape detected by any detector varies within a time frame of the measurement session, which may for example be 3.5 sec), the data point is rejected and a corresponding alarm signal is generated. If the AC/DC ratio of W_1 , W_2 and W_3 are within an acceptable range, the respective data point is accepted, and the process proceeds through performing step 3.

In step 3 (Fig. 10C), the measured data is analyzed to calculate ratios W_1/W_2 and W_1/W_3 from data generated by far and near photodetectors, and to calculate the differences $(W_1/W_2 - W_1/W_3)$.

In a perfect situation, W_1/W_2 (far) is very close to W_1/W_3 (far), and W_1/W_2 (near) is very close to W_1/W_3 (near). In a practical situation, this condition is not precisely satisfied, but all the ratios are close to each other if the measurement situation is “good”.

Then, the calculated differences are analyzed to determine the values (corresponding to far and near photodetectors) that are accepted and to use them in the SpO₂ calculation. For each detector that satisfied the condition $ABS(W_1/W_2 - W_1/W_3) < TH_2$, where ABS signifies the absolute value, its respective data point is
5 accepted and used to calculate the oxygen saturation value that will be displayed. If the condition is not satisfied, the data point is rejected. If all data points are rejected, another measurement session is carried out.

It should be noted that, although the steps 1-3 above are exemplified with respect to signal detection by both near and far photodetectors, each of these steps can
10 be implemented by utilizing only one array of detection locations along the closed path. The provision of two such arrays, however, provides higher accuracy of measurements.

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A sensor for use in an optical measurement device for non-invasive measurement of a blood parameter, the sensor comprising:
 - 5 (a) a light source for illuminating a measurement location with incident light of at least three wavelengths, the first wavelength λ_1 lying in a red (R) spectrum, and the at least second and third wavelengths λ_2 and λ_3 lying substantially in the infrared (IR) spectrum; and
 - (b) a detector assembly for detecting light returned from the illuminated
10 location, the detector assembly being arranged so as to define a plurality of detection locations along at least one closed path around the light source.
2. A sensor as set forth in claim 1, for use in a pulse oximeter, the at least second and third wavelengths λ_2 and λ_3 being selected to coincide with a spectral
15 region of the optical absorption curve, where HbO₂ absorbs slightly more light than Hb, and where the extinction coefficients of Hb and HbO₂ are nearly equal and remain relatively constant as a function of wavelength.
3. A sensor, as set forth in claim 2, wherein the second wavelength λ_2 is in the
20 IR spectral region around 940nm \pm 20nm, and the third wavelength λ_3 is above 700nm.
4. A sensor, as set forth in claim 1, wherein the detector assembly comprises at least one array of detector elements arranged in a spaced-apart relationship along the at least one closed path.
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5. A sensor, as set forth in claim 1, wherein the detector assembly comprises at least one ring-shaped detector element.
6. A sensor according to claim 1, wherein the plurality of the detection
30 locations are arranged along two concentric closed paths around the light source.

7. A sensor, as set forth in claim 6, wherein the detector assembly comprises two arrays of detector elements, the detector elements of each array being arranged in a spaced apart relationship along the corresponding one of the closed paths.

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8. A sensor, as set forth in claim 6, wherein the detector assembly comprises two concentric ring-shaped detector elements.

9. A sensor, as set forth in claim 1, manufactured by CMOS technology, the sensor comprising a package including said light source, and an integrated circuit plate, which comprises said at least one closed path of the detector assembly positioned around the light source, and a plurality of printed contact areas and electric conductors for mounting the light source thereon, controlling the light source, and transmitting electric signals produced by the detector assembly for further processing.

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10. A sensor for use in an optical measurement device for non-invasive measurement of a blood parameter, the sensor comprising:

a light source for illuminating a measurement location with incident light of at least three wavelengths, the first wavelength λ_1 lying in a red (R) spectrum, and the at least second and third wavelengths λ_2 and λ_3 lying substantially in the infrared (IR) spectrum; and

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a detector assembly for detecting light returned from the illuminated location, the detector assembly being arranged so as to define a plurality of detection locations along two concentric closed path around the light source.

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11. A pulse oximeter comprising a sensor and a control unit for operating the sensor and analyzing data generated thereby, the sensor comprising:

(a) a light source for illuminating a measurement location with incident light of at least three wavelengths, the first wavelength λ_1 lying in a red (R) spectrum,

and the at least second and third wavelengths λ_2 and λ_3 lying substantially in the infrared (IR) spectrum; and

(b) a detector assembly for detecting light returned from the illuminated location, the detector assembly being arranged so as to define a plurality of detection
5 locations along at least one closed path around the light source.

12. A method for non-invasive determination of a blood parameter, the method comprising the steps of:

(i) illuminating a measurement location with at least three different
10 wavelengths, a first wavelength λ_1 lying in a red (R) spectrum, and at least second and third wavelengths λ_2 and λ_3 lying substantially in the infrared (IR) spectrum;

(ii) detecting light returned from the measurement location at different detection locations and generating data indicative of the detected light, wherein said different detection locations are arranged so as to define at least one closed path around
15 the measurement location; and

(iii) analyzing the generated data and determining the blood parameter.

13. The method according to claim 12, wherein the analysis of the generated data comprises the steps of:

20 calculating data indicative of an AC/DC ratio in the light detected at each of the detection locations for the at least three wavelengths;

analyzing the calculated data and determining accepted detection locations to select corresponding AC/DC ratios for each of the at least three wavelengths, λ_1 , λ_2 and λ_3 ; and

25 utilizing the selected ratios for determining the blood parameter.

14. The method according to claim 13, wherein the determination of the blood parameter comprises the steps of:

30 calculating values of the ratio W_2/W_3 for the accepted detection locations in at least one closed path;

analyzing each of the calculated values to determine whether it satisfies a first predetermined condition, so as to generate a signal indicative of that a sensor position is to be adjusted, if the condition is not satisfied;

5 if the condition is satisfied, determining whether the quality of a photoplethysmogram is acceptable;

if the quality is acceptable, analyzing the selected ratios for calculating ratios W_1/W_2 and W_1/W_3 from the data detected in at least one closed path, and calculating the differences $ABS(W_1/W_2 - W_1/W_3)$; and,

10 analyzing the calculated differences for determining whether each of the differences satisfies a second predetermined condition for determining the blood parameter if the condition is satisfied.

15 15. The method according to claim 14, wherein said first predetermined condition consists of that the calculated value of W_2/W_3 is inside a predetermined range around the value one, said predetermined range being defined by the first threshold value, and the second predetermined condition consists of that the calculated difference $ABS(W_1/W_2 - W_1/W_3)$ is less than certain, second threshold value.

20 16. A pulse oximeter for detecting a value of a parameter of blood, comprising:
a sensor housing;

a source of radiation coupled to the housing and being adapted to emit radiation at predetermined frequencies;

25 a detector assembly coupled to the housing and being adapted to detect reflected radiation at first, second, and third frequencies and to generate respective first, second, and third signals, wherein the first, second, and third signals are indicative of a value of the reflected radiation at the respective first, second, and third frequencies; and,

30 a control unit coupled to the detector assembly and adapted to receive the first, second, and third signals, to calculate first, second and third ratios of the first, second, and third signals and to responsively determine the parameter of the blood as a function of the first, second and third ratios.

17. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 16, wherein the control unit is adapted to determine the parameter of the blood as a function of the first and second ratios and a calibration curve.

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18. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 17, wherein the calibration curve is adjusted as a function of the third ratio.

19. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 16, wherein the first ratio is defined by the first signal divided by the second signal.

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20. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 16, wherein the second ratio is defined by the first signal divided by the third signal.

21. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 16, wherein the third ratio is defined by the second signal divided by the third signal.

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22. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 16, wherein the first frequency is in a red frequency range, the second frequency is in a near-infrared frequency range, and the third frequency is in an infrared frequency range.

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23. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 22, wherein the first ratio is defined by the first signal divided by the second signal, the second ratio is defined by the first signal divided by the third signal, and the third ratio is defined by the second signal divided by the third signal.

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24. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 16, wherein the control unit is adapted to determine the parameter of the blood as a function of a more stable one of the first and second ratios.

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25. A pulse oximeter for detecting a value of a parameter of blood, comprising:
a sensor housing;
a source of radiation coupled to the housing and being adapted to emit radiation
at predetermined frequencies;
- 5 a detector assembly coupled to the housing and being adapted to detect reflected
radiation at first, second, and third frequencies and to generate respective first, second,
and third signals, wherein the first, second, and third signals are indicative of a value
of the reflected radiation at the respective first, second, and third frequencies; and,
a control unit coupled to the detector assembly and being adapted to calculate
- 10 first and second ratios of the first, second, and third signals, wherein the first ratio is
defined by the first signal divided by the second signal and the second ratio is defined
by the first signal divided by the third signal, and wherein the control unit is adapted to
determine the parameter of the blood as a function of a more stable one of the first and
second ratios.
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26. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 25, wherein the control unit is
adapted to determine the parameter of the blood as a function of the more stable one of
the first and second ratios and a calibration curve.
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27. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 26, wherein the calibration curve
is adjusted as a function of a third ratio.
28. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 27, wherein the third ratio is
defined by the second signal divided by the third signal.
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29. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 25, wherein the first frequency
is in a red frequency range, the second frequency is in a near-infrared frequency range,
and the third frequency is in an infrared frequency range.

30. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 25, wherein the control unit is adapted to track the first and second ratios and determine which one of the first and second ratios is more stable in real-time.

5 31. A pulse oximeter for detecting a value of a parameter of blood, comprising:

a sensor housing;

a source of radiation coupled to the housing and being adapted to emit radiation at predetermined frequencies; and,

10 a plurality of detectors coupled to the housing and being adapted to detect reflected radiation at first, second, and third frequencies and to responsively generate a plurality of first sensor signals indicative of the reflected radiation at the first frequency, a plurality of second sensor signals indicative of the reflected radiation at the second frequency, and a plurality of third sensor signals indicative of the reflected radiation at the third frequency;

15 a control unit being coupled to the plurality of detectors and adapted to receive the plurality of first, second and third sensor signals, to analyze the first, second and third sensor signals and determine which of the first, second and third sensor signals are valid and to generate first, second, and third frequency signals as a function of valid first sensor signals, valid second sensor signals, and valid third sensor signals, respectively and to determine the parameter of the blood as a function of the valid first, second, and third sensor signals.

20 32. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 31, wherein the control unit is adapted to calculate first, second and third ratios of the valid first, second, and third signals and to responsively determine the parameter of the blood as a function of the first, second and third ratios.

25 33. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 32, wherein the control unit is adapted to determine the parameter of the blood as a function of the first and second ratios and a calibration curve.

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34. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 33, wherein the calibration curve is adjusted as a function of the third ratio.

5 35. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 32, wherein the first ratio is defined by the valid first signals divided by the valid second signals.

36. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 32, wherein the second ratio is defined by the valid first signals divided by the valid third signals.

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37. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 32, wherein the third ratio is defined by the valid second signals divided by the valid third signals.

15 38. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 31, wherein the first frequency is in a red frequency range, the second frequency is in a near-infrared frequency range, and the third frequency is in an infrared frequency range.

39. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 32, wherein the first ratio is defined by the valid first signals divided by the valid second signals, the second ratio is defined by the valid first signals divided by the valid third signals, and the third ratio is defined by the valid second signals divided by the valid third signals.

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40. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 32, wherein the control unit is adapted to determine the parameter of the blood as a function of a more stable one of the first and second ratios.

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41. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 31, wherein the plurality of first, second, and third sensor signals having an AC portion and a DC portion.

42. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 41, wherein a sensor signal is valid if it a ratio of the AC portion to the DC portion is within a predetermined range.

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43. A pulse oximeter, as set forth in claim 42, wherein the predetermined range is 0.05 to 2.0 percent.

5 44. A sensor for use in an optical measurement device for non-invasive measurement of a blood parameter, comprising:

a sensor housing;

a source of radiation coupled to the housing and being adapted to emit radiation at predetermined frequencies;

10 a detector assembly coupled to the housing and being adapted to detect reflected radiation at least one predetermined frequency and to generate respective signals, wherein the detector assembly is ring shaped.

15 45. A sensor, as set forth in claim 44, wherein the detector assembly includes a plurality of detectors arranged along a closed loop path.

46. A sensor, as set forth in claim 45, wherein the closed loop path has a circular shape.

20 47. A sensor, as set forth in claim 45, wherein the closed loop path has an elliptical shape.

48. A sensor, as set forth in claim 45, wherein the closed loop path has a polygonal shape.

25 49. A sensor, as set forth in claim 44, wherein the detector assembly includes a continuous photodetector ring.

50. A sensor, as set forth in claim 49, wherein the continuous photodetector ring has a circular shape.

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51. A sensor, as set forth in claim 49, wherein the continuous photo detector ring has an elliptical shape.

52. A sensor, as set forth in claim 49, wherein the continuous photo detector
5 ring has a polygonal shape.

53. A sensor, as set forth in claim 44, wherein the detector assembly includes a first plurality of detectors arranged along an inner closed loop path and a second plurality of detectors arranged along an outer closed loop path.

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54. A sensor, as set forth in claim 53, wherein the inner and outer closed loop paths have a circular shape.

55. A sensor, as set forth in claim 49, wherein the inner and outer closed
15 loop paths have an elliptical shape.

56. A sensor, as set forth in claim 49, wherein the inner and outer closed loop paths have a polygonal shape.

57. A sensor for use in an optical measurement device for non-invasive
20 measurement of a blood parameter, comprising:

a sensor housing;

a source of radiation coupled to the housing and being adapted to emit radiation at predetermined frequencies;

a detector assembly coupled to the housing and being adapted to detect reflected
25 radiation at least one predetermined frequency and to generate respective signals, wherein the detector assembly includes a plurality of pairs of detectors, each pair of detectors including a near detector and a far detector.

58. A sensor, as set forth in claim 57, wherein the near detectors are arranged along an inner closed loop path and the far detectors are arranged along an outer closed loop paths.

5 59. A sensor, as set forth in claim 58, wherein the inner and outer closed loop paths have a circular shape.

60. A sensor, as set forth in claim 58, wherein the inner and outer closed loop paths have an elliptical shape.

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61. A sensor, as set forth in claim 58, wherein the inner and outer closed loop paths have a polygonal shape.

62. A method for detecting a value of a parameter of blood using a sensor adapted to emit radiation at predetermined frequencies, to detect reflected radiation at first, second, and third frequencies and to generate respective first, second, and third signals, wherein the first, second, and third signals are indicative of a value of the reflected radiation at the respective first, second, and third frequencies, the method including the steps of:

15 20 receiving the first, second, and third signals;
calculating first, second and third ratios of the first, second, and third signals;
and,
responsively determining the parameter of the blood as a function of the first, second and third ratios.

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63. A method, as set forth in claim 62, wherein the parameter of the blood is determined as a function of the first and second ratios and a calibration curve.

64. A method, as set forth in claim 63, including the step of adjusting the calibration curve as a function of the third ratio.

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65. A method, as set forth in claim 62, wherein the first ratio is defined by the first signal divided by the second signal.

5 66. A method, as set forth in claim 62, wherein the second ratio is defined by the first signal divided by the third signal.

67. A method, as set forth in claim 62, wherein the third ratio is defined by the second signal divided by the third signal.

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68. A method, as set forth in claim 62, wherein the first frequency is in a red frequency range, the second frequency is in a near-infrared frequency range, and the third frequency is in an infrared frequency range.

15 69. A method, as set forth in claim 62, wherein the first ratio is defined by the first signal divided by the second signal, the second ratio is defined by the first signal divided by the third signal, and the third ratio is defined by the second signal divided by the third signal.

20 70. A method, as set forth in claim 62, including the step of determining a more stable of the first and second ratios, wherein the parameter of the blood is determined using the more stable one of the first and second ratios.

25 71. A method for detecting a value of a parameter of blood using a sensor adapted to emit radiation at predetermined frequencies, to detect reflected radiation at first, second, and third frequencies and to generate respective first, second, and third signals, wherein the first, second, and third signals are indicative of a value of the reflected radiation at the respective first, second, and third frequencies, the method including the steps of:

30 receiving the first, second and third signals;

calculate first and second ratios of the first, second and third signals, wherein the first ratio is defined by the first signal divided by the second signal and the second ratio is defined by the first signal divided by the third signal; and,

5 determining the parameter of the blood as a function of a more stable one of the first and second ratios.

72. A method, as set forth in claim 71, wherein the parameter of the blood as a function of the more stable one of the first and second ratios and a calibration curve.

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73. A method, as set forth in claim 72, including the step of adjusted the calibration curve as a function of a third ratio.

74. A method, as set forth in claim 73, wherein the third ratio is defined by
15 the second signal divided by the third signal.

75. A method, as set forth in claim 71, wherein the first frequency is in a red frequency range, the second frequency is in an infrared frequency range, and the third frequency is in a near-infrared frequency range.

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76. A method, as set forth in claim 71, including the step of tracking the first and second ratios and determining which one of the first and second ratios is more stable in real-time.

25 77. A method for detecting a value of a parameter of blood using a sensor adapted to emit radiation at predetermined frequencies, to detect reflected radiation at first, second, and third frequencies and to responsively generate a plurality of first sensor signals indicative of the reflected radiation at the first frequency, a plurality of second sensor signals indicative of the reflected radiation at the second frequency, and

a plurality of third sensor signals indicative of the reflected radiation at the third frequency, the method comprising:

receiving the plurality of first, second and third sensor signals;

analyzing the first, second and third sensor signals and determining which of the
5 first, second and third sensor signals are valid;

generating first, second, and third frequency signals as a function of valid first sensor signals, valid second sensor signals, and valid third sensor signals, respectively;
and,

determining the parameter of the blood as a function of the valid first, second,
10 and third sensor signals.

78. A method, as set forth in claim 77, including the step of calculating first, second and third ratios of the first, second, and third valid signals and responsively determining the parameter of the blood as a function of the first, second and third ratios.
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79. A method, as set forth in claim 78, wherein the parameter of the blood is determined as a function of the first and second ratios and a calibration curve.

80. A method, as set forth in claim 79, including the step of adjusting the
20 calibration curve as a function of the third ratio.

81. A method, as set forth in claim 78, wherein the first ratio is defined by the valid first signals divided by the valid second signals.

25 82. A method, as set forth in claim 78, wherein the second ratio is defined by the valid first signals divided by the valid third signals.

83. A method, as set forth in claim 78, wherein the third ratio is defined by the valid second signals divided by the valid third signals.
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84. A method, as set forth in claim 78, wherein the first frequency is in a red frequency range, the second frequency is in an infrared frequency range, and the third frequency is in a near-infrared frequency range.

5 85. A method, as set forth in claim 78, wherein the first ratio is defined by the valid first signals divided by the valid second signals, the second ratio is defined by the valid first signals divided by the valid third signals, and the third ratio is defined by the valid second signals divided by the valid third signals.

10 86. A method, as set forth in claim 78, including the step of determining the parameter of the blood as a function of a more stable one of the first and second ratios.

87. A method, as set forth in claim 77, wherein the plurality of first, second, and third sensor signals have an AC portion and a DC portion.

15 88. A method, as set forth in claim 87, wherein a sensor signal is valid if a ratio of the AC portion to the DC portion is within a predetermined range.

89. A method, as set forth in claim 88, wherein the predetermined range is 0.05 to 2.0 percent.

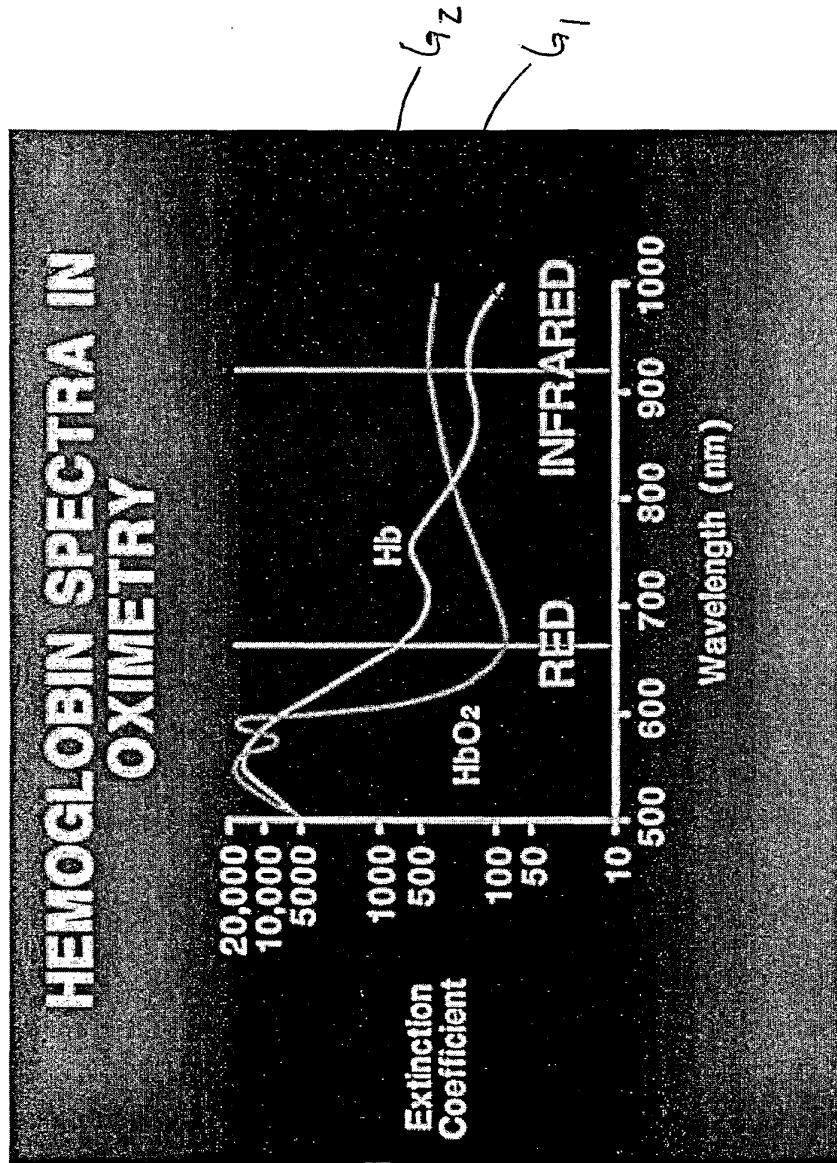


Fig. 1

CALIBRATION OF A PULSE OXIMETER

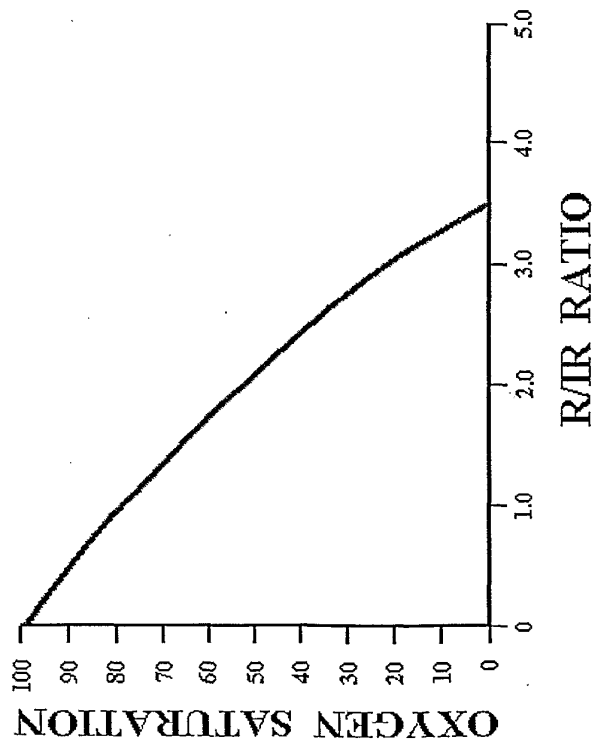


Fig. 2

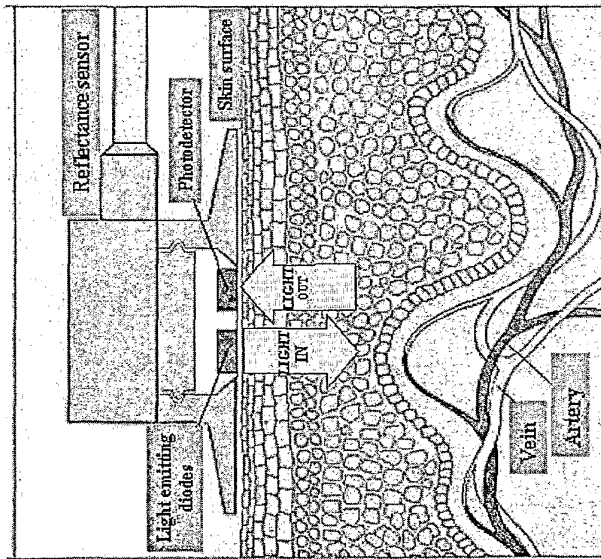


Fig. 3

FOUR DIFFERENT LIGHT PATHS

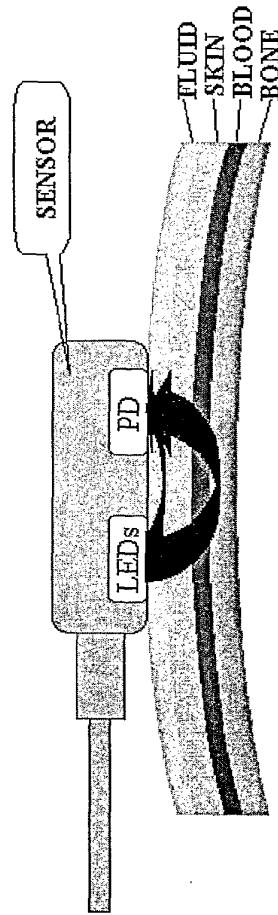
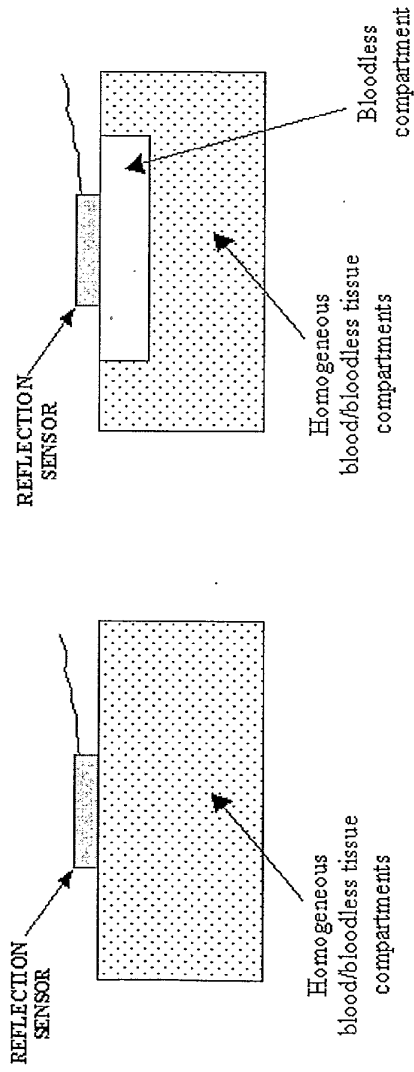


Fig. 4



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Fig. 5b

Fig. 5a

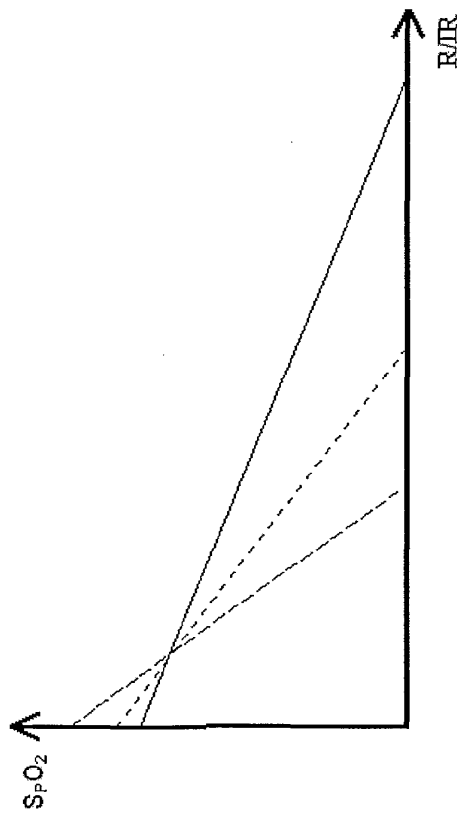


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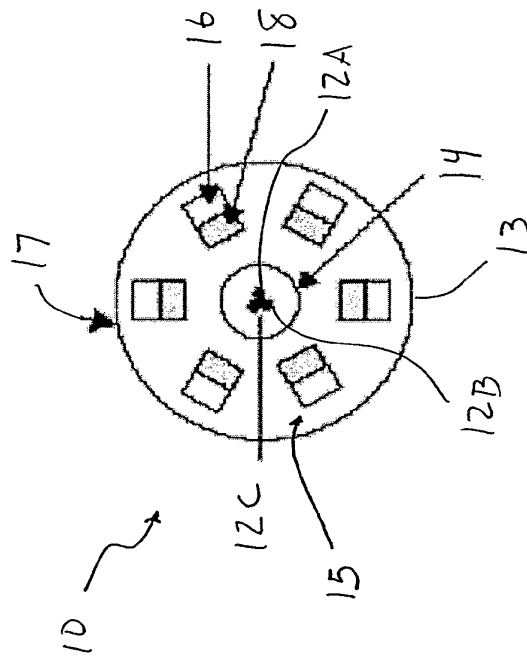


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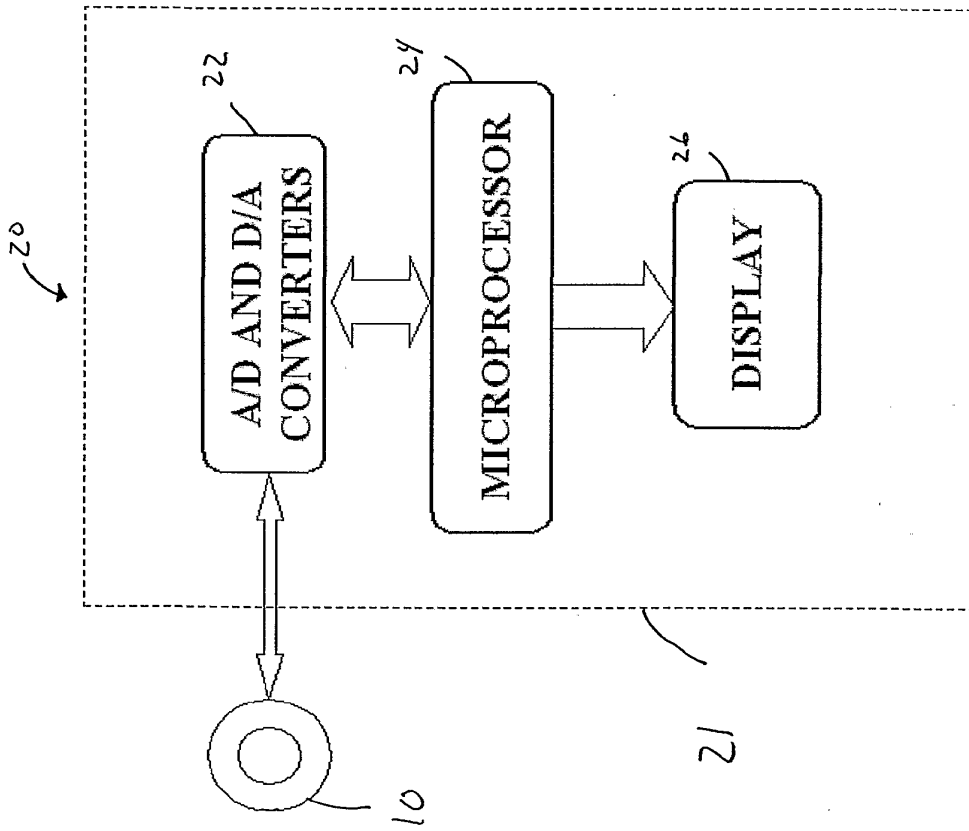


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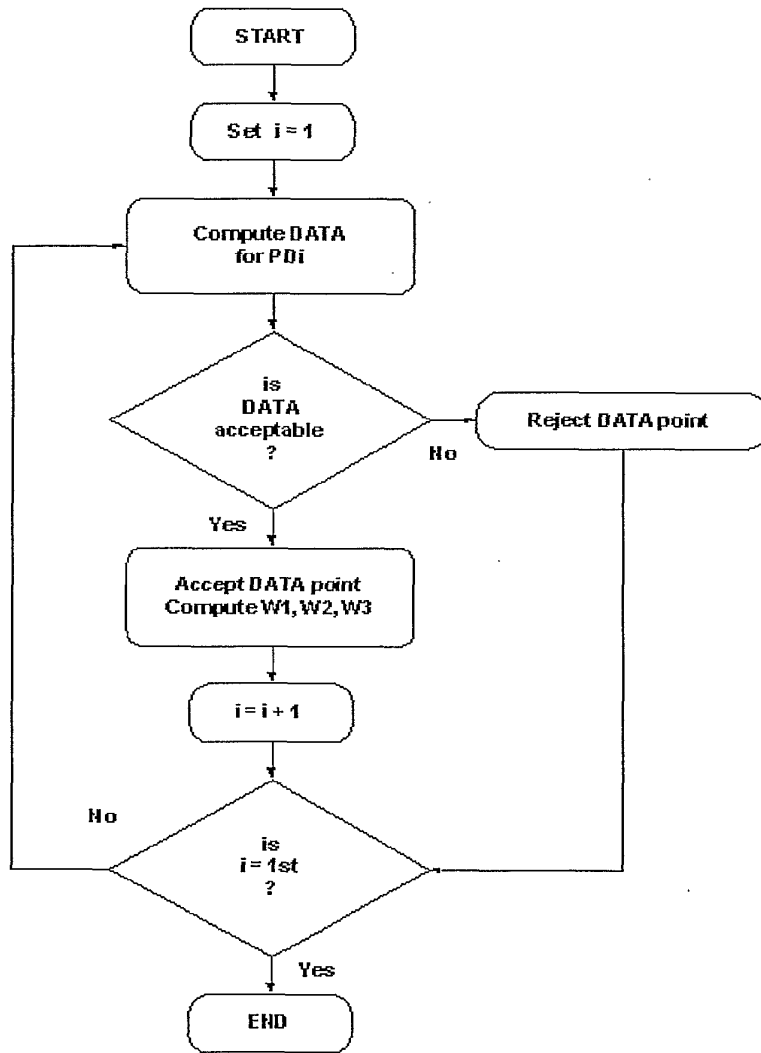


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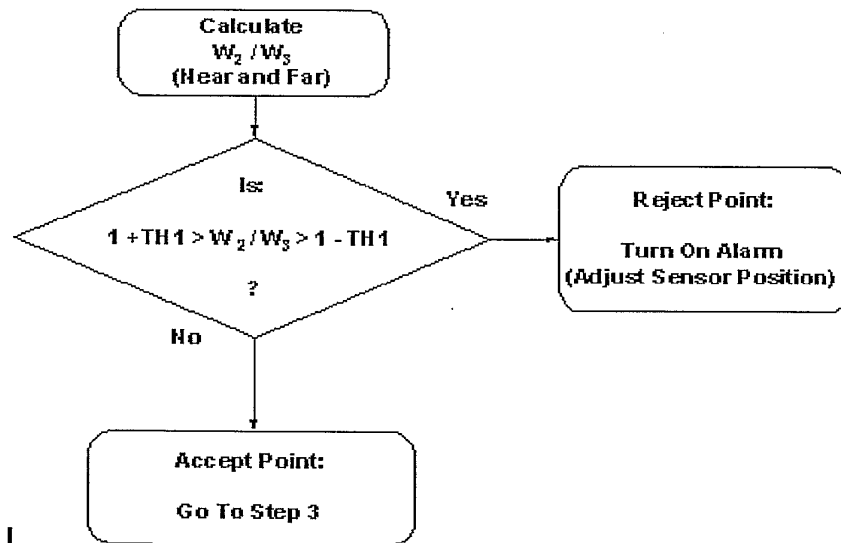


Fig. 10A

Step 2

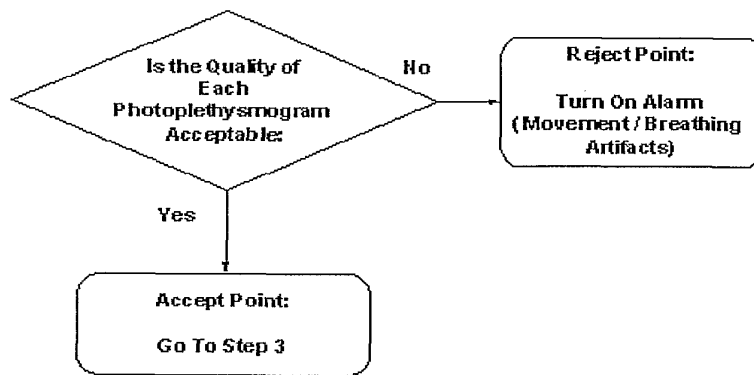


Fig. 10B

Step 3

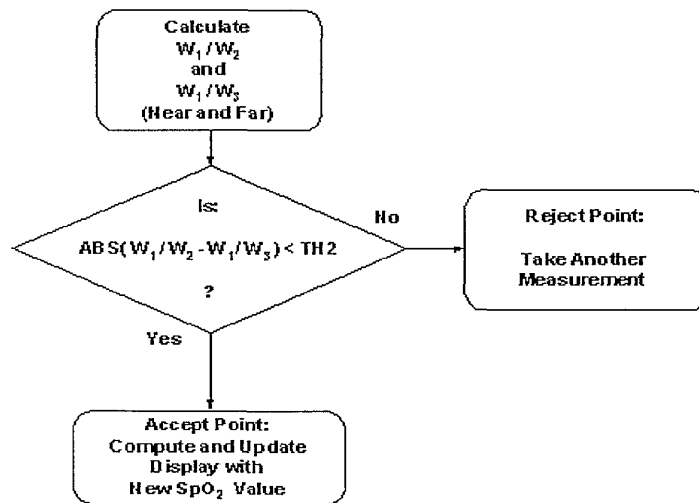


Fig. 10C

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Application Number	16226249
Filing Date	19-Dec-2018
First Named Inventor	Ammar Al-Ali
Art Unit	3791
Examiner Name	MARJAN FARDANESH
Attorney Docket Number	MAS.1007C1
Title	ADVANCED PULSE OXIMETRY SENSOR

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This is an electronic decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2), filed August 15, 2019 , to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue for consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (request for continued examination). See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2).

Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid in this application cannot be refunded. If, however, this application is again allowed, petitioner may request that it be applied towards the issue fee required by the new Notice of Allowance.

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This application file is being referred to Technology Center AU 3791 for processing of the request for continuing examination under 37 CFR 1.114 .

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16/226,249	12/19/2018	Ammar Al-Ali	MAS.1007C1	1002

TITLE OF INVENTION: **ADVANCED PULSE OXIMETRY SENSOR**

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EXAMINER	ART UNIT	CLASS-SUBCLASS
FARDANESH, MARJAN	3791	600-323000

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Title of Invention:	ADVANCED PULSE OXIMETRY SENSOR			
First Named Inventor/Applicant Name:	Ammar Al-Ali			
Filer:	Aaron Samuel Johnson/Daniel Escajeda			
Attorney Docket Number:	MAS.1007C1			
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16/226,249 12/19/2018 Ammar Al-Ali MAS.1007C1 1002

TITLE OF INVENTION: ADVANCED PULSE OXIMETRY SENSOR

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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)
(Applications filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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<i>Notice Requiring Inventor's Oath or Declaration</i>	Application No. 16/226,249	Applicant(s) Ammar Al-Ali	
	Examiner FARDANESH, MARJAN	Art Unit 3791	

This notice is an attachment to the Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37), or the Notice of Allowability For A Design Application (PTOL-37D).

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The following deficiencies are noted:

INFORMAL ACTION PROBLEMS

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Notice of Allowability	Application No. 16/226,249	Applicant(s) Al-Ali et al.	
	Examiner MARJAN FARDANESH	Art Unit 3791	AIA (FITF) Status Yes

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Continuation of 3. The allowed claim(s) is/are: 57-64,67-70,72-74,77-78,81-83,85 and 87-95

Notice of Pre-AIA or AIA Status

1. The present application, filed on or after March 16, 2013, is being examined under the first inventor to file provisions of the AIA.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in an interview with Mr. Jarom Kesler on 07/18/2019. Applicant agreed to amend the claims, as set forth below, to clarify the relationship between the irradiated tissue portion, detected tissue portion, and the light block.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 57 was amended as follows:

57. A wrist-worn physiological monitoring device configured for placement on a user at a tissue measurement site, the device comprising:

a light emission source comprising a plurality of emitters configured to irradiate a ~~circular portion~~ of the tissue measurement site by emitting light towards the tissue measurement site, the tissue measurement site being located on a wrist of the user, the plurality of emitters configured to emit one or more wavelengths;

a plurality of detectors configured to detect the light emitted by the plurality of emitters after attenuation by a circular portion of ~~tissue of the user~~ at the tissue measurement site, the plurality of detectors further configured to output at least one signal responsive to the detected light;

a processor configured to receive the at least one signal responsive to the output and determine a physiological parameter of the user; and

a light block forming an enclosing wall between the light emission source and the plurality of detectors, the light block defining the ~~irradiated~~ circular portion of the tissue measurement site, the light emission source arranged proximate a first side of the enclosing wall and the plurality of detectors arranged proximate a second side of the enclosing wall, the first side being different than the second side,

wherein the enclosing wall prevents at least a portion of light emitted from the light emission source from being detected by the plurality of detectors without attenuation by the tissue, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array having a spatial configuration corresponding to the circular portion of the ~~irradiated~~ tissue measurement site.

Claim 67 was amended as follows:

67. A method of measuring a physiological parameter in a user's blood, the method comprising:

irradiating ~~a circular portion of~~ a tissue measurement site by emitting, from a plurality of emitters of a light emission source of a physiological monitoring device, light of one or more wavelengths toward the tissue measurement site, the tissue measurement site located on a wrist of the user;

detecting, with a plurality of detectors, the light emitted by the plurality of emitters of the light emission source after attenuation through a circular portion of tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site; and

providing a cylindrical light block forming an enclosing wall between the light emission source and the plurality of detectors, the light emission source arranged proximate a first side of the enclosing wall and the plurality of detectors arranged proximate a second side of the enclosing wall, the first side being different than the second side, wherein the enclosing wall prevents at least a portion of light emitted from the light emission source from being detected by the plurality of detectors without attenuation by the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array having a circular spatial configuration, the circular spatial configuration arranged to receive said attenuated light;

outputting, from the plurality of detectors, at least one signal responsive to the detected light;

receiving, by a processor, the outputted at least one signal responsive to the detected light; and processing, by the processor, the received at least one signal responsive to the detected light to determine a physiological parameter.

Claim 77 was amended as follows:

77. A wrist-worn physiological monitoring sensor comprising:

a light emission source comprising a plurality of optical sources configured to irradiate ~~a circular portion of~~ a tissue measurement site by emitting light towards the tissue measurement site on a user, the tissue measurement site located on a wrist of the user, the plurality of optical sources configured to emit one or more wavelengths;

a plurality of detectors configured to detect the light emitted by the plurality of emitters after attenuation by a circular portion of tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site, the plurality of detectors further configured to output at least one signal responsive to the detected light;

a processor configured to receive the outputted at least one signal responsive to the detected light and determine a physiological parameter indicative of a state or trend of wellness of the user; and

a light block forming an enclosing wall between the light emission source and the plurality of detectors, the light emission source arranged proximate a first side of the enclosing wall and the plurality of detectors arranged proximate a second side of the enclosing wall, the first side being different than the second side, the light block forming a light isolation chamber defined by the enclosing wall, wherein the enclosing wall prevents at least a portion of light emitted from the light emission source from being detected by the plurality of detectors without attenuation by the tissue, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array having a circular spatial configuration, the circular spatial configuration arranged to receive said attenuated light.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to MARJAN FARDANESH whose telephone number is (571)270-5508. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 9:00-17:00.

Examiner interviews are available via telephone, in-person, and video conferencing using a USPTO supplied web-based collaboration tool. To schedule an

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Patricia Mallari can be reached on (571)272-4729. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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<i>Applicant-Initiated Interview Summary</i>	Application No. 16/226,249	Applicant(s) Al-Ali et al.		
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<p>All participants (applicant, applicants representative, PTO personnel):</p> <p>1. MARJAN FARDANESH (Examiner); Telephonic 2. Jarom Kesler (Attorney of Record); Telephonic</p> <p>3. Aaron Johnson (Attorney of Record); Telephonic</p> <p>Date of Interview: <u>07 May 2019</u></p> <p>Claims Discussed: claim 57 was discussed.</p> <p>Prior Art Discussed: Hannula and Cui were discussed.</p> <p>Amendment proposed: Applicant proposed amendments to capture the subject matter of figure 7 in order to overcome the prior art.</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">Issues Discussed:</p> <p>Item(s) under 35 U.S.C. 102: Prior art rejection were discussed and compared to figure 7 of the current application. Applicant will take the discussions into consideration while filing a formal response.</p> <p>Item(s) under 35 U.S.C. 103: Prior art rejection were discussed and compared to figure 7 of the current application. Applicant will take the discussions into consideration while filing a formal response.</p> <p>Attachment(s): Proposed Amendments,</p>				

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<p>Applicant is reminded that a complete written statement as to the substance of the interview must be made of record in the application file. It is the applicants responsibility to provide the written statement, unless the interview was initiated by the Examiner and the Examiner has indicated that a written summary will be provided. See MPEP 713.04</p> <p>Please further see: MPEP 713.04 Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 1.133 Interviews, paragraph (b) 37 CFR § 1.2 Business to be transacted in writing</p>	

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Participants: Examiner Fardanesh and Applicant's representatives Jarom Kesler (Reg. No. 57,046) and Aaron Johnson (Reg. No. 74,164)

- A. Discuss disclosed embodiments and claimed invention**
- B. Review references cited in Office Action**
- C. Discuss differences between references and claimed invention**

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PROPOSED CLAIM AMENDMENTS FOR APP. NO. 16/226249

1-56. **(Cancelled)**

57. **(Currently Amended)** A wrist-worn physiological monitoring device configured for placement on a user at a tissue measurement site, the device comprising:

a light emission source comprising a plurality of emitters configured to irradiate a circular portion of the tissue measurement site by emitting light towards the tissue measurement site, the tissue measurement site being located on a wrist of the user, the plurality of emitters comprising one or more light emitting diodes (LEDs) configured to emit one or more wavelengths, the one or more wavelengths comprising at least an infrared wavelength;

a plurality of detectors configured to detect the light emitted by the plurality of emitters after attenuation by tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site, wherein the plurality of detectors comprise one or more photodiodes, the plurality of detectors further configured to output at least one signal responsive to the detected light;

a processor configured to receive the at least one signal responsive to the output and determine a physiological parameter of the user; and

a light block forming an enclosing wall between the light emission source and the plurality of detectors, the light emission source arranged proximate a first side of the enclosing wall and the plurality of detectors arranged proximate a second side of the enclosing wall, the first side being different than the second side, light emitted from the plurality of emitters at the tissue measurement site and the plurality of detectors when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user, wherein the enclosing wall prevents at least a portion of light emitted from the light emission source plurality of emitters from being detected by the plurality of detectors without attenuation by the tissue, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array having a spatial configuration corresponding to the circular portion of the irradiated tissue measurement site.

58. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, further comprising a display configured to present information related to the determined physiological parameter to the user.

59. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 58, wherein the display is a touch-screen display.

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60. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, wherein the enclosing wall of the light block is a circular wall.

61. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, wherein, when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, the plurality of emitters are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on a first side of the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on the first side of the tissue measurement site when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user.

62. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, further comprising a diffuser which receives, spreads, and emits the spread light, wherein the emitted spread light is directed at the tissue measurement site.

63. **(Currently Amended)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, wherein the light emission source ~~is a plurality of emitters~~ are positioned outside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are positioned inside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site.

64. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, wherein the physiological parameter is selected from the group consisting of arterial oxygen saturation, glucose, and pulse rate.

65. **(Cancelled)**

66. **(Cancelled)**

67. **(Currently Amended)** A method of measuring a physiological parameter in a user's blood, the method comprising:

irradiating a circular portion of a tissue measurement site by emitting, from a plurality of emitters of a light emission source of a physiological monitoring device, light of one or more wavelengths toward ~~[[a]]~~the tissue measurement site, the tissue measurement site located on a wrist of the user ~~the plurality of emitters comprise one or more light emitting diodes (LEDs) and the one or more wavelengths comprises at least an infrared wavelength;~~

detecting, with a plurality of detectors, the light emitted by the plurality of emitters of the light emission source after attenuation through tissue of the user at the

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tissue measurement site, ~~wherein the plurality of detectors comprise one or more photodiodes;~~ and

providing a cylindrical light block forming an enclosing wall between the light emission source and the plurality of detectors, the light emission source arranged proximate a first side of the enclosing wall and the plurality of detectors arranged proximate a second side of the enclosing wall, the first side being different than the second side, light emitted from the plurality of emitters at the tissue measurement site and the plurality of detectors when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user, wherein the enclosing wall prevents at least a portion of light emitted from the light emission source plurality of emitters from being detected by the plurality of detectors without attenuation by the tissue, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array having a circular spatial configuration, the circular spatial configuration arranged to receive said attenuated light;

outputting, from the plurality of detectors, at least one signal responsive to the detected light;

receiving, by a processor, the outputted at least one signal responsive to the detected light; and

processing, by the processor, the received at least one signal responsive to the detected light to determine a physiological parameter.

68. **(Currently Amended)** The method of Claim 67, wherein the light emission source is ~~plurality of emitters are~~ positioned outside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are positioned inside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site.

69. **(Previously Presented)** The method of Claim 67, further comprising presenting, with a display of the physiological monitoring device, information related to the determined physiological parameter to the user.

70. **(Previously Presented)** The method of Claim 69, wherein the display is a touch-screen display.

71. **(Cancelled)**

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72. **(Previously Presented)** The method of Claim 67, wherein when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, the plurality of emitters are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on a first side of the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on the first side of the tissue measurement site when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user.

73. **(Previously Presented)** The method of Claim 67, further comprising spreading, with a diffuser, the emitted light and emitting the spread light from the diffuser to the tissue measurement site.

74. **(Previously Presented)** The method of Claim 67, wherein the physiological parameter is indicative of at least one of pulse rate, perfusion index, oxygen content, and total hemoglobin.

75. **(Cancelled)**

76. **(Cancelled)**

77. **(Currently Amended)** A wrist-worn physiological monitoring sensor comprising:

a light emission source comprising a plurality of optical sources configured to irradiate a circular portion of a tissue measurement site by emitting light towards ~~[[a]]the tissue measurement site on a user, the tissue measurement site located on a wrist of the user, the plurality of optical sources comprising one or more light emitting diodes (LEDs) configured to emit one or more wavelengths, the one or more wavelengths comprising at least an infrared wavelength;~~

a plurality of detectors configured to detect the light emitted by the plurality of emitters after attenuation by tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site, ~~wherein the plurality of detectors comprise one or more photodiodes,~~ the plurality of detectors further configured to output at least one signal responsive to the detected light;

a processor configured to receive the outputted at least one signal responsive to the detected light and determine a physiological parameter indicative of a state or trend of wellness of the user; and

a light block forming an enclosing wall between the light emission source and the plurality of detectors, the light emission source arranged proximate a first side of the

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enclosing wall and the plurality of detectors arranged proximate a second side of the enclosing wall, the first side being different than the second side, light emitted from the plurality of emitters at the tissue measurement site and the plurality of detectors when the physiological monitoring sensor is worn by the user, the light block forming a light isolation chamber defined by the enclosing wall, wherein the enclosing wall prevents at least a portion of light emitted from the light emission source plurality of emitters from being detected by the plurality of detectors without attenuation by the tissue, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array having a circular spatial configuration, the circular spatial configuration arranged to receive said attenuated light.

78. **(Currently Amended)** The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, wherein the light emission source ~~plurality of optical sources~~ are located outside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring sensor is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged inside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring sensor is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site.

79. **(Cancelled)**

80. **(Cancelled)**

81. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, further comprising a diffuser which receives, spreads, and emits the spread light, wherein the emitted spread light is directed at the tissue measurement site.

82. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, further comprising a display configured to present information related to the determined physiological parameter to the user.

83. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 82, wherein the display is a touch-screen display.

84. **(Cancelled)**

85. **(Currently Amended)** The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, wherein when the physiological monitoring sensor is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, the plurality of optical sources ~~emitters~~ are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on a first side of the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on the first side of the tissue measurement site when the physiological monitoring sensor is worn by the user.

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86. **(Cancelled)**

87. **(New)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, wherein the plurality of emitters comprise one or more light emitting diodes (LEDs), and wherein the one or more wavelengths comprises at least an infrared wavelength.

88. **(New)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, wherein the plurality of detectors comprise a plurality of photodiodes.

89. **(New)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, further comprising a light concentrator configured to direct the attenuated, reflected light to the plurality of detectors.

90. **(New)** The method of Claim 67, wherein the plurality of emitters comprise one or more light emitting diodes (LEDs), and wherein the one or more wavelengths comprises at least an infrared wavelength.

91. **(New)** The method of Claim 67, wherein the plurality of detectors comprise a plurality of photodiodes.

92. **(New)** The method of Claim 67, further comprising, directing, with a light concentrator, the light emitted by the light emission source after attenuation through tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site to the plurality of detectors.

93. **(New)** The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, wherein the plurality of optical sources comprise one or more light emitting diodes (LEDs), and wherein the one or more wavelengths comprises at least an infrared wavelength.

94. **(New)** The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, wherein the plurality of detectors comprise a plurality of photodiodes.

95. **(New)** The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, further comprising a light concentrator configured to direct the attenuated, reflected light to the plurality of detectors.

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	34	9,566,019	2/14/2017	Al-Ali et al.	
	35	9,579,039	2/28/2017	Jansen et al.	
	36	9,591,975	3/14/2017	Dalvi et al.	
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	39	9,636,055	5/2/2017	Al-Ali et al.	
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	41	9,649,054	5/16/2017	Lamego et al.	
	42	9,662,052	5/30/2017	Al-Ali et al.	
	43	9,668,679	6/6/2017	Schurman et al	
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	45	9,668,703	6/6/2017	Al-Ali	
	46	9,675,286	6/13/2017	Diab	
	47	9,687,160	6/27/2017	Kiani	
	48	9,693,719	7/4/2017	Al-Ali et al.	
	49	9,693,737	7/4/2017	Al-Ali	
	50	9,697,928	7/4/2017	Al-Ali et al.	
	51	9,717,425	8/1/2017	Kiani et al.	
	52	9,717,458	8/1/2017	Lamego et al.	
	53	9,724,016	8/8/2017	Al-Ali et al.	
	54	9,724,024	8/8/2017	Al-Ali	
	55	9,724,025	8/8/2017	Kiani et al.	
	56	9,730,640	8/15/2017	Diab et al.	
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	64	9,775,570	10/3/2017	Al-Ali	
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	66	9,782,077	10/10/2017	Lamego et al.	
	67	9,782,110	10/10/2017	Kiani	
	68	9,787,568	10/10/2017	Lamego et al.	
	69	9,788,735	10/17/2017	Al-Ali	
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	71	9,795,300	10/24/2017	Al-Ali	
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	73	9,795,358	10/24/2017	Telfort et al.	
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	79	9,820,691	11/21/2017	Kiani	
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	82	9,839,379	12/12/2017	Al-Ali et al.	
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	84	9,847,002	12/19/2017	Kiani et al.	
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	94	9,876,320	1/23/2018	Coverston et al.	
	95	9,877,650	1/30/2018	Muhsin et al.	
	96	9,877,686	1/30/2018	Al-Ali et al.	
	97	9,891,079	2/13/2018	Dalvi	
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	100	9,924,893	3/27/2018	Schurman et al.	
	101	9,924,897	3/27/2018	Abdul-Hafiz	
	102	9,936,917	4/10/2018	Poeze et al.	
	103	9,943,269	4/17/2018	Muhsin et al.	
	104	9,949,676	4/24/2018	Al-Ali	
	105	9,955,937	5/1/2018	Telfort	
	106	9,965,946	5/8/2018	Al-Ali	
	107	9,980,667	5/29/2018	Kiani et al.	
	108	9,986,919	6/5/2018	Lamego et al.	
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	136	10,201,298	2/12/2019	Al-Ali et al.	
	137	10,205,272	2/12/2019	Kiani et al.	
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	141	10,219,746	3/5/2019	McHale et al.	
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	150	10,258,265	4/16/2019	Poeze et al.	
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S23	89	(tube catheter) same (block\$4 actuator) same (spectroscopy spectrometer) and A61B5/\$.cpc.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	ON	2019/06/17 14:27

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S24	61	(tube catheter) same (block\$4 actuator) same (spectroscopy spectrometer) and A61B5/\$.cpc. and (fluid urine)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	ON	2019/06/17 14:28
S25	1225	(tube catheter) same (block\$4 actuator) and (spectroscopy spectrometer) and A61B5/\$.cpc. and (fluid urine)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	ON	2019/06/17 14:29
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S31	21	(("8169608") or ("8247774") or ("8477305") or ("8526002") or ("8593628") or ("8604412") or ("8654327") or ("8675188") or ("8711360") or ("8711362") or ("8735820") or ("8742320") or ("8760645") or ("8773659") or ("8786854") or ("8848187") or ("8862445") or ("8867033") or ("8868387") or ("8873046") or ("8937717")).PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2019/06/17 14:46
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S35	2	S33 and (tube catheter)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/17 14:55
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S38	0	S29 and (tube catheter) and (spectroscopy spectrometer spectrograph\$4)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/17 15:04
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S46	6	S30 and (tube catheter) and (spectroscopy spectrometer	US-PGPUB;	OR	OFF	2019/06/17 15:13

		spectrograph\$4) and (block\$4 actuat\$4)	USPAT			
S47	6	S31 and (tube catheter) and (spectroscopy spectrometer spectrograph\$4) and (block\$4 actuat\$4)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/17 15:14
S48	1	"15660573" and (block\$4 actuat\$4)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/17 15:16
S49	0	S31 and (tube catheter) with (blocker block\$2 actuator actuat\$2) with (urine drain fluid) and (spectroscopy spectrometer spectrograph\$4)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/17 15:18
S50	0	S32 and (tube catheter) with (blocker block\$2 actuator actuat\$2) with (urine drain fluid) and (spectroscopy spectrometer spectrograph\$4)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/17 15:18
S51	0	S33 and (tube catheter) with (blocker block\$2 actuator actuat\$2) with (urine drain fluid) and (spectroscopy spectrometer spectrograph\$4)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/17 15:18
S52	0	S34 and (tube catheter) with (blocker block\$2 actuator actuat\$2) with (urine drain fluid) and (spectroscopy spectrometer spectrograph\$4)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/17 15:18
S53	791	(tube catheter) with (blocker block\$2 actuator actuat\$2) with (urine drain fluid) and (spectroscopy spectrometer spectrograph\$4)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/17 15:18
S54	179	(tube catheter) with (blocker block\$2 actuator actuat\$2) with (urine drain fluid) and (spectroscopy spectrometer spectrograph\$4) and A61B5/\$.cpc.	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/17 15:19
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S59	153	(urine urinary) with infection and (spectrometer spectroscopy spectrograph\$4) and A61B5/\$.cpc.	US- PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/17 16:15
S60	77	(compress\$4) with (tube catheter) with (stop\$4 prevent\$4) with flow\$4 and (spectroscopy and spectrometer spectrograph\$4)	US- PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/17 16:34
S61	2	(compress\$4) with (tube catheter) with (stop\$4 prevent\$4) with flow\$4 same (urine urinary) with infection	US- PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/17 16:42
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S69	1	"15557319"	US- PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/18 16:03

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S70	2	"14745180" and determin\$4 adj dT	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/18 17:29
S71	2	"14745180" and determin\$4 with dT	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/18 17:29
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S73	6962	A61B5/02\$.cpc. and wrist and (screen display) and pressure	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/19 11:30
S74	6962	A61B5/02\$.cpc. and wrist and (screen display) and pressure and (cuff press\$4)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/19 11:31
S75	2559	A61B5/02\$.cpc. and wrist same (screen display) and pressure and (cuff press\$4)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/19 11:31
S76	867	A61B5/02\$.cpc. and wrist same (screen display) same pressure and (cuff press\$4)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/19 11:32
S77	867	A61B5/02\$.cpc. and wrist same (screen display) same pressure same (cuff press\$4)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/19 11:32
S78	57	A61B5/02\$.cpc. and wrist same (first and second) with (screen display) same pressure same (cuff press\$4)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/19 11:32
S79	2	A61B5/02\$.cpc. and (wrist wristwatch wrist adj watch) adj (second two) adj display	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/19 11:39
S80	783	A61B5/02\$.cpc. and (second two) adj display	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/19 11:42
S81	3	((("20150378312") or ("20160267310") or ("20150186092")).PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2019/06/19 11:47
S82	1	("20110213212").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2019/06/19 12:02
S83	1	"14947688"	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/19 12:07
S84	2	((("20100137695") or ("20080114280")).PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2019/06/19 13:36
S85	1	"15592451" and processor	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/19 14:03
S86	120	(handheld mobile) with alcohol and strap and A61B5/\$.cpc.	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/19 20:29
S87	0	(handheld mobile) with alcohol and strap and G01N33/49.cpc.	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/19 20:29

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S88	17	(handheld mobile) with alcohol and strap and A61B5/\$.cpc. and breath	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/19 20:34
S89	1	("6853304").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2019/06/19 20:42
S90	10	alcohol and breath and (inside with mouth) with camera	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/19 21:30
S91	10	(identification biometric) with (inside with mouth) with camera	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/19 21:34
S92	1	breath and alcohol and (micro adj camera)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/19 21:39
S93	216	breath and alcohol and (camera) with mouth	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/19 21:40
S94	216	breath and alcohol and (identification biometric) and (second two) adj camera	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/19 22:00
S95	232	breath and alcohol and (identification identif\$4 biometric) and (second two) adj camera	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	2019/06/19 22:00
S96	1	"15674434" and center	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2019/06/20 16:59
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NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF REQUEST UNDER 37 CFR 1.48(a)

This is in response to the applicant's request under 37 CFR 1.48(a) submitted on 07/19/2019.

The request under 37 CFR 1.48(a) to correct the inventorship, to correct or update the name of an inventor, or to correct the order of names of joint inventors is accepted.

Questions about the contents of this notice and the requirements it sets forth should be directed to the Office of Data Management, Application Assistance Unit, at (571) 272-4000 or (571) 272-4200 or 1-888-786-0101.

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SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Commissioner:

A telephonic interview was conducted and attended by Examiner Fardanesh and Applicant's representatives Jarom D. Kesler (Reg. No. 57,046) and Aaron S. Johnson (Reg. No. 74,164) on July 18, 2019. During the interview, proposed claim amendments were discussed to place the application in condition for allowance. Examiner Fardanesh and Applicant's representatives reached an agreement that the pending claims were supported by the written description of the application and that the pending claims were patentably distinct over the prior art of record.

Examiner Fardanesh requested the filing of a Terminal Disclaimer with reference to co-pending Application Serial No. 15/195199. Without commenting on the appropriateness of a Terminal Disclaimer, and solely in the interest of advancing prosecution, Applicant submitted a Terminal Disclaimer on July 18, 2019. Applicant notes that according to M.P.E.P § 804.02, the filing of a terminal disclaimer to obviate a rejection based on nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting is not an admission regarding the propriety of the rejection. Applicant thanks Examiner Fardanesh for her time and consideration.

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Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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Inventors: Ammar Al-Ali

Declaration

This Declaration is directed to U.S. Application Nos. **15/195199** and **16/226249**, filed June 28, 2016 and December 19, 2018, respectively, and incorporating any amendments made thereto prior to the signature date of this Declaration.

As a named inventor, I declare that:

The above-identified application was made or authorized to be made by me.

I believe that I am the original inventor or an original joint inventor of a claimed invention in the application.

I hereby acknowledge that any willful false statement made in this declaration is punishable under 18 USC 1001 by fine or imprisonment of not more than five (5) years, or both.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

Assignment from Inventors

WHEREAS, **above-identified inventors** (individual(s) hereinafter "ASSIGNOR") invented certain new and useful improvements, technology, inventions, developments, ideas, ornamental designs, or discoveries related to **ADVANCED PULSE OXIMETRY SENSOR** (collectively hereinafter referred to as the "Work") for which an application for Letters Patent in the United States (identified above) has been filed or prepared for filing with the United States Patent and Trademark Office (hereinafter the "Application"), and ASSIGNOR desires to assign or confirm assignment of the Work and the Application to the below identified Assignee.

AND WHEREAS, **Masimo Corporation**, with its principal place of business at **52 Discovery, Irvine, California 92618** (hereinafter the "ASSIGNEE"), desires to acquire or confirm ownership of the entire right, title, and interest in and to the Application and the Work.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration of which receipt is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR hereby acknowledges that ASSIGNOR has sold, assigned, transferred, and set over, and by these presents does hereby sell, assign, transfer, and set over, unto said ASSIGNEE, **its** successors, legal representatives, and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest throughout the world in and to the Application and the Work, including:

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Legal Name of Inventor: Ammar Al-Ali

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 19th day of JULY, 2019.

Signature: _____

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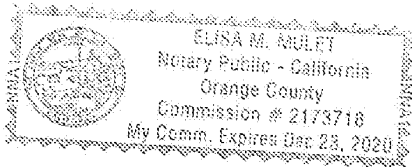
On 19 JUL 2019, before me, ELISA M MULET, notary public, personally appeared Ammar Al-Ali who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/~~are~~ subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/~~she~~/they executed the same in his/~~her~~/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/~~her~~/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

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	Filing Date	December 19, 2018
	First Named Inventor	Amriar Al-Ali
	Art Unit	3791
	Examiner Name	Fardanesh, Marjan
	Practitioner Docket Number	MAS.1007C1

To: Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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 - The processing fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i). \$ 140
 - An inventor is being added. An inventor's oath or declaration by any actual inventor who has not yet executed an oath or declaration is required (see 37 CFR 1.48(b)). See MPEP 602.01(a) for information about an inventor's oath or declaration for an application filed on/after September 16, 2012 (e.g., form **PTO/AIA/01**). For information about an inventor's oath or declaration for an application filed before September 16, 2012 (e.g., form **PTO/SB/01**), see MPEP 602.01(b).
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 - This request to correct or change the inventorship is due solely to the cancellation of claims in the application.
- OR
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Name	Aaron S. Johnson

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 29, 2019**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Non-final Office Action dated March 29, 2019, please consider the following.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 10. A "Replacement Sheet" for each sheet of drawings being amended can be found in the Appendix.

Summary of Interview begins on page 11 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the originally-filed specification as set forth below.

[0053] Referring now to FIG. 7B, a top view of the 3D sensor 700 is illustrated with both the emitter 702 and the light blocker cover 707 removed for ease of illustration. The outer ring illustrates the footprint of the light diffuser 704. As light is emitted from the emitter 702 (not shown in FIG. 7B), it is diffused homogenously and directed to the tissue measurement site 102. The light blocker 706 forms the circular wall of a light isolation chamber to keep incident light from being sensed by the detector 710. The light blocker cover 707 blocks incidental light from entering the light isolation chamber from above. The light concentrator ~~710~~708 collects the reflected light from the tissue measurement site 102 and funnels it upward toward the detector 710 at the center of the 3D sensor 700.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

A complete listing of all claims is presented below with insertions underlined (e.g., insertion), and deletions struck through or in double brackets (e.g., ~~deletion~~ or [[deletion]]).

1-56. **(Cancelled)**

57. **(Currently Amended)** A wrist-worn physiological monitoring device configured for placement on a user at a tissue measurement site, the device comprising:

a light emission source comprising a plurality of emitters configured to irradiate a circular portion of the tissue measurement site by emitting light towards the tissue measurement site, the tissue measurement site being located on a wrist of the user, the plurality of emitters ~~comprising one or more light emitting diodes (LEDs)~~ configured to emit one or more wavelengths, ~~the one or more wavelengths comprising at least an infrared wavelength;~~

a plurality of detectors configured to detect the light emitted by the plurality of emitters after attenuation by tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site, ~~wherein the plurality of detectors comprise one or more photodiodes,~~ the plurality of detectors further configured to output at least one signal responsive to the detected light;

a processor configured to receive the at least one signal responsive to the output and determine a physiological parameter of the user; and

a light block forming an enclosing wall between the light emission source and the plurality of detectors, the light block defining the irradiated circular portion of the tissue measurement site, the light emission source arranged proximate a first side of the enclosing wall and the plurality of detectors arranged proximate a second side of the enclosing wall, the first side being different than the second side,~~light emitted from the plurality of emitters at the tissue measurement site and the plurality of detectors when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user, wherein the enclosing wall prevents at least a portion of light emitted from the light emission source~~plurality of emitters from being detected by the plurality of detectors without attenuation by the tissue, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array having a spatial configuration corresponding to the circular portion of the irradiated tissue measurement site.

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58. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, further comprising a display configured to present information related to the determined physiological parameter to the user.

59. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 58, wherein the display is a touch-screen display.

60. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, wherein the enclosing wall of the light block is a circular wall.

61. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, wherein, when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, the plurality of emitters are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on a first side of the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on the first side of the tissue measurement site when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user.

62. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, further comprising a diffuser which receives, spreads, and emits the spread light, wherein the emitted spread light is directed at the tissue measurement site.

63. **(Currently Amended)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, wherein the light emission source ~~is plurality of emitters~~ are positioned outside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are positioned inside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site.

64. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, wherein the physiological parameter is selected from the group consisting of arterial oxygen saturation, glucose, and pulse rate.

65. **(Cancelled)**

66. **(Cancelled)**

67. **(Currently Amended)** A method of measuring a physiological parameter in a user's blood, the method comprising:

irradiating a circular portion of a tissue measurement site by emitting, from a plurality of emitters of a light emission source of a physiological monitoring device, light

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of one or more wavelengths toward ~~[[a]]~~the tissue measurement site, the tissue measurement site located on a wrist of the user~~the plurality of emitters comprise one or more light emitting diodes (LEDs) and the one or more wavelengths comprises at least an infrared wavelength;~~

detecting, with a plurality of detectors, the light emitted by the plurality of emitters of the light emission source after attenuation through tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site, ~~wherein the plurality of detectors comprise one or more photodiodes;~~ and

providing a cylindrical light block forming an enclosing wall between the light emission source and the plurality of detectors, the light emission source arranged proximate a first side of the enclosing wall and the plurality of detectors arranged proximate a second side of the enclosing wall, the first side being different than the second side, ~~light emitted from the plurality of emitters at the tissue measurement site and the plurality of detectors when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user,~~ wherein the enclosing wall prevents at least a portion of light emitted from the light emission source~~plurality of emitters~~ from being detected by the plurality of detectors without attenuation by the tissue, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array having a circular spatial configuration, the circular spatial configuration arranged to receive said attenuated light;

outputting, from the plurality of detectors, at least one signal responsive to the detected light;

receiving, by a processor, the outputted at least one signal responsive to the detected light; and

processing, by the processor, the received at least one signal responsive to the detected light to determine a physiological parameter.

68. **(Currently Amended)** The method of Claim 67, wherein the light emission source ~~is~~plurality of emitters are positioned outside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are positioned inside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site.

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69. **(Previously Presented)** The method of Claim 67, further comprising presenting, with a display of the physiological monitoring device, information related to the determined physiological parameter to the user.

70. **(Previously Presented)** The method of Claim 69, wherein the display is a touch-screen display.

71. **(Cancelled)**

72. **(Previously Presented)** The method of Claim 67, wherein when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, the plurality of emitters are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on a first side of the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on the first side of the tissue measurement site when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user.

73. **(Previously Presented)** The method of Claim 67, further comprising spreading, with a diffuser, the emitted light and emitting the spread light from the diffuser to the tissue measurement site.

74. **(Previously Presented)** The method of Claim 67, wherein the physiological parameter is indicative of at least one of pulse rate, perfusion index, oxygen content, and total hemoglobin.

75. **(Cancelled)**

76. **(Cancelled)**

77. **(Currently Amended)** A wrist-worn physiological monitoring sensor comprising:
a light emission source comprising a plurality of optical sources configured to irradiate a circular portion of a tissue measurement site by emitting light towards [[a]]the tissue measurement site on a user, the tissue measurement site located on a wrist of the user, the plurality of optical sources ~~comprising one or more light emitting diodes (LEDs) configured to emit one or more wavelengths, the one or more wavelengths comprising at least an infrared wavelength;~~

a plurality of detectors configured to detect the light emitted by the plurality of emitters after attenuation by tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site, ~~wherein the~~

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~~plurality of detectors comprise one or more photodiodes,~~ the plurality of detectors further configured to output at least one signal responsive to the detected light;

a processor configured to receive the outputted at least one signal responsive to the detected light and determine a physiological parameter indicative of a state or trend of wellness of the user; and

a light block forming an enclosing wall between the light emission source and the plurality of detectors, the light emission source arranged proximate a first side of the enclosing wall and the plurality of detectors arranged proximate a second side of the enclosing wall, the first side being different than the second side, light emitted from the plurality of emitters at the tissue measurement site and the plurality of detectors when the physiological monitoring sensor is worn by the user, the light block forming a light isolation chamber defined by the enclosing wall, wherein the enclosing wall prevents at least a portion of light emitted from the light emission source~~plurality of emitters~~ from being detected by the plurality of detectors without attenuation by the tissue, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array having a circular spatial configuration, the circular spatial configuration arranged to receive said attenuated light.

78. **(Currently Amended)** The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, wherein the light emission source is~~plurality of optical sources are~~ located outside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring sensor is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged inside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring sensor is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site.

79. **(Cancelled)**

80. **(Cancelled)**

81. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, further comprising a diffuser which receives, spreads, and emits the spread light, wherein the emitted spread light is directed at the tissue measurement site.

82. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, further comprising a display configured to present information related to the determined physiological parameter to the user.

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83. **(Previously Presented)** The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 82, wherein the display is a touch-screen display.

84. **(Cancelled)**

85. **(Currently Amended)** The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, wherein when the physiological monitoring sensor is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, the plurality of optical sources~~emitters~~ are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on a first side of the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on the first side of the tissue measurement site when the physiological monitoring sensor is worn by the user.

86. **(Cancelled)**

87. **(New)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, wherein the plurality of emitters comprise one or more light emitting diodes (LEDs), and wherein the one or more wavelengths comprises at least an infrared wavelength.

88. **(New)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, wherein the plurality of detectors comprise a plurality of photodiodes.

89. **(New)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, further comprising a light concentrator configured to direct the attenuated, reflected light to the plurality of detectors.

90. **(New)** The method of Claim 67, wherein the plurality of emitters comprise one or more light emitting diodes (LEDs), and wherein the one or more wavelengths comprises at least an infrared wavelength.

91. **(New)** The method of Claim 67, wherein the plurality of detectors comprise a plurality of photodiodes.

92. **(New)** The method of Claim 67, further comprising, directing, with a light concentrator, the light emitted by the light emission source after attenuation through tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site to the plurality of detectors.

93. **(New)** The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, wherein the plurality of optical sources comprise one or more light emitting diodes (LEDs), and wherein the one or more wavelengths comprises at least an infrared wavelength.

94. **(New)** The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, wherein the plurality of detectors comprise a plurality of photodiodes.

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95. (New) The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, further comprising a light concentrator configured to direct the attenuated, reflected light to the plurality of detectors.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Please replace Figure 7A with the enclosed *Replacement Sheet*.

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SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

Attendees, Date and Type of Interview

The interview was conducted on May 7, 2019 and attended by Examiner Fardanesh and Applicant's representatives Jarom D. Kesler (Reg. No. 57,046) and Aaron S. Johnson (Reg. No. 74,164).

Exhibits and/or Demonstrations

N/A.

Identification of Claims Discussed

Claims 57, 67, and 77.

Identification of Cited/Disclosed Art

- U.S. Patent No. 5,830,137 to Scharf.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,584,296 to Cui et al.
- U.S. Patent No. 8,452,364 to Hannula et al.
- U.S. Patent Pub. No. 2003/0036690 to Geddes et al.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,497,771 to Rosenheimer.

Proposed Amendments

Amendments as appearing herein.

Issues Discussed and Results of Interview

Applicant thanks Examiner Fardanesh for taking the time to conduct the Interview. During the interview, the claims were discussed in view of the cited prior art. Examiner Fardanesh acknowledged that the prior art did not teach three or more detectors arranged in a spatial configuration as recited in the claims.

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REMARKS

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed March 29, 2019 (“Office Action”), in connection with the above-referenced patent application. Claims 57-86 were pending prior to the submission of this paper. Claims 57, 63, 67, 68, 77-78, and 85 have been amended and Claims 65-66, 71, 75-76, 79-80, 84, and 86 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 87-95 have been added as new. Thus, Claims 57-64, 67-70, 72-74, 77-78, 81-83, 85, and 87-95 are pending. Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the pending claims in light of the present response.

A. Information Disclosure Statement

As discussed during the interview on May 7, 2019 (“Interview”), Applicant is submitting an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) herewith. The IDS contains a reference that was discussed during the Interview.

B. Claim Amendment Support

Claim 57 recites, among other things, a “plurality of detectors” “arranged in an array having a spatial configuration corresponding to the circular portion of the irradiated tissue measurement site.” Claims 67 and 77 recite, among other things, a “plurality of detectors” “arranged in an array having a circular spatial configuration.” Support for these claim amendments can be found throughout the present disclosure. For example, in multiple locations, the originally-filed application discusses providing “a plurality of detectors” in an arrangement “corresponding” to an “irradiated surface area” so as to appropriately capture light attenuated from a tissue measurement site. For example, paragraph [0042] of the originally-filed application states:

The detector 310 can be implemented using one or more photodiodes, phototransistors, or the like. In addition, a plurality of detectors 310 can be arranged in an array with a spatial configuration *corresponding to* the irradiated surface area 206 to capture the attenuated or reflected light from the tissue measurement site.

Originally-filed Specification, para. [0042] (emphasis added). The “irradiated surface area 206” is described in paragraph [0032] of the originally-filed specification, which discussed various exemplary shapes and dimensions that the irradiated surface area can have (for example, a rectangular shape). *See id.*, para. [0032], Figure 2.

As another example, paragraph [0051] of the originally-filed application states:

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The detector 710 can be implemented using one or more photodiodes, phototransistors, or the like. In addition, a plurality of detectors 710 can be arranged in an array with a spatial configuration *corresponding to* the irradiated surface area depicted in FIG. 7B by the light concentrator 708 to capture the reflected light from the tissue measurement site.

Id., para. [0051] (emphasis added). The “irradiated surface area depicted in FIG. 7B by the light concentrator 708” comprises a circular shape. Figure 7B of the Application is shown below.

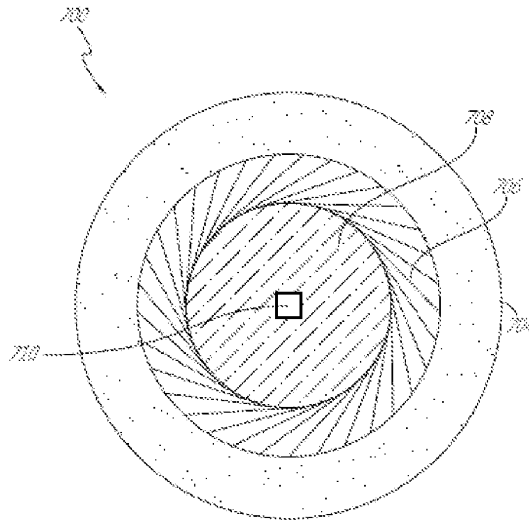


Figure 7B of Originally-filed Application

The ordinary meaning of the claim term “correspond” means to “have a close similarity; match or agree almost exactly” or “be analogous or equivalent in character, form, or function” or “represent.” New Oxford American Dictionary, 390 (3rd Edition 2010). Consistent with this exemplary definition and the originally-filed application, the phrase “arranged in an array having a spatial configuration corresponding to the circular portion of the irradiated tissue measurement site” (see Claim 57) would be understood by a person having ordinary skill in the art as requiring a sufficient number of detectors such that, when arranged together in an array, can “match,” “have a close similarity,” or “represent” a “circular portion of the irradiated surface area.” Similarly, the phrase “arranged in an array having a circular spatial configuration” (see Claims 67 and 77) would be understood by a person having ordinary skill in the art as including a sufficient number of detectors such that the array matches or represents a circular shape.

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In order for the claimed “plurality of detectors” to “match” or “represent” a circular shape, the “plurality of detectors” must include sufficient detectors to represent the circular shape. For example, six or more detectors could be arranged in a circular shape and meet the recited limitation. However, two detectors, for example, can only be arranged in a spatial configuration representing a line and three detectors, for example, can only be arranged in a spatial configuration representing a triangle. Thus, when read in view of the originally-filed application, the recited “plurality of detectors” would be understood by a person having ordinary skill in the art as including a sufficient number of detectors to represent the desired geometric shape.

C. Claim Objections

The Office Action objected to Claims 65, 75, and 80 and requested amending the term “spacial” to “spatial.” *See* Office Action, p. 2. Applicant has cancelled Claims 65, 75, and 80 without prejudice or disclaimer and respectfully submits that the objections are thereby rendered moot.

D. Objection to the Drawings

In the Office Action, the Drawings are objected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(p)(5) because they include the reference character 709 (see Figure 7A) which is not mentioned in the Specification. *See* Office Action, p. 2. Applicant has amended the Drawings as discussed above and respectfully requests that this objection be withdrawn.

E. Objection to the Specification

The Office Action objected to the Specification because of a typographical error and requested Applicant to amend “light concentrator 710” to “light concentrator 708” in paragraph [0053]. *See* Office Action, p. 2. Applicant thanks the Examiner for her careful review of the present application and has amended the Specification as shown above. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests this objection be withdrawn.

F. The Pending Claims Are Patentable over the Cited Art

Claims 57, 58, 60-62, 64-67, 69, 71-77, 79-82 and 84-86 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a)(1) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,584,296 to Cui et al. (hereinafter “Cui”). Claims 57, 60-61, 63-68, 71-72, 74-80, 84-86 stand rejected as being unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 103 over U.S. Patent No. 8,452,364 to Hannula et al. (“Hannula”) in view of U.S. Patent Pub. No. 2003/0036690 to Geddes et al. (“Geddes”). Applicant respectfully disagrees and

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requests that the rejections of Claims 57-59, 61-64, 67-70, 72-74, 77-78, 81-83, and 85-86 be withdrawn and new Claims 87-95 be allowed for at least the following reasons.

1. Independent Claim 57

Amended Claim 57 recites, in part (emphasis added):

a light emission source comprising a plurality of emitters configured to *irradiate a circular portion of the tissue measurement site* by emitting light towards the tissue measurement site, the tissue measurement site being located on a wrist of the user, the plurality of emitters configured to emit one or more wavelengths;

a plurality of detectors configured to detect the light emitted by the plurality of emitters after attenuation by tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site, the plurality of detectors further configured to output at least one signal responsive to the detected light;

a processor configured to receive the at least one signal responsive to the output and determine a physiological parameter of the user; and

a light block forming an enclosing wall between the light emission source and the plurality of detectors, the light block defining the irradiated circular portion of the tissue measurement site, the light emission source arranged proximate a first side of the enclosing wall and the plurality of detectors arranged proximate a second side of the enclosing wall, the first side being different than the second side, wherein the enclosing wall prevents at least a portion of light emitted from the light emission source from being detected by the plurality of detectors without attenuation by the tissue, and *wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array having a spatial configuration corresponding to the circular portion of the irradiated tissue measurement site.*

Applicant respectfully submits that the cited art, alone or in combination, fails to teach or suggest at least the above-recited limitations of Claim 57. For example, as discussed during the Interview, none of the cited art, alone or in combination, teaches or suggests the utilization of more than three detectors arranged in the recited configuration. For at least these reasons, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejection of independent Claim 57 and allowance of the claim.

2. Independent Claim 67

Amended Claim 67 recites, in part (emphasis added):

irradiating a circular portion of a tissue measurement site by emitting, from a plurality of emitters of a light emission source of a physiological monitoring device, light of one or more wavelengths toward the tissue measurement site, the tissue measurement site located on a wrist of the user;

detecting, with a plurality of detectors, the light emitted by the plurality of emitters of the light emission source after attenuation through tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site; and

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providing a cylindrical light block forming an enclosing wall between the light emission source and the plurality of detectors, the light emission source arranged proximate a first side of the enclosing wall and the plurality of detectors arranged proximate a second side of the enclosing wall, the first side being different than the second side, wherein the enclosing wall prevents at least a portion of light emitted from the light emission source from being detected by the plurality of detectors without attenuation by the tissue, and *wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array having a circular spatial configuration, the circular spatial configuration arranged to receive said attenuated light;*

Applicant respectfully submits that the cited art, alone or in combination, fails to teach or suggest at least the above-recited limitations of Claim 67. For example, as discussed during the Interview, none of the cited art, alone or in combination, teaches or suggests the utilization of more than three detectors arranged in the recited configuration. For at least these reasons, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejection of independent Claim 67 and allowance of the claim.

3. Independent Claim 77

Amended Claim 77 recites, in part (emphasis added):

a light emission source comprising a plurality of optical sources configured to *irradiate a circular portion of a tissue measurement site* by emitting light towards the tissue measurement site on a user, the tissue measurement site located on a wrist of the user, the plurality of optical sources configured to emit one or more wavelengths;

a plurality of detectors configured to detect the light emitted by the plurality of emitters after attenuation by tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site, the plurality of detectors further configured to output at least one signal responsive to the detected light;

a processor configured to receive the outputted at least one signal responsive to the detected light and determine a physiological parameter indicative of a state or trend of wellness of the user; and

a light block forming an enclosing wall between the light emission source and the plurality of detectors, the light emission source arranged proximate a first side of the enclosing wall and the plurality of detectors arranged proximate a second side of the enclosing wall, the first side being different than the second side, the light block forming a light isolation chamber defined by the enclosing wall, wherein the enclosing wall prevents at least a portion of light emitted from the light emission source from being detected by the plurality of detectors without attenuation by the tissue, and *wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array having a circular spatial configuration, the circular spatial configuration arranged to receive said attenuated light.*

Applicant respectfully submits that the cited art, alone or in combination, fails to teach or suggest at least the above-recited limitations of Claim 77. For example, as discussed during the Interview, none of the cited art, alone or in combination, teaches or suggests the utilization of

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more than three detectors arranged in the recited configuration. For at least these reasons, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejection of independent Claim 77 and allowance of the claim.

4. Dependent Claims 58-59, 61-64, 68-70, 72-74, 78, 81-83, and 85

Claims 58-64, 68-70, 72-74, 78, 81-83, and 85 depend directly or indirectly from Claims 57, 67, or 77 and are thus patentably distinct from the cited art of record for at least the reasons set forth above in regard to Claims 57, 67, or 77. In addition, Applicant notes that these claims, when taken in the context of Claims 57, 67, or 77, set forth a number of recitations not taught, disclosed, or suggested by the cited references, alone or in combination. For at least these additional reasons, Applicant respectfully requests that the rejections of Claims 58-64, 68-70, 72-74, 78, 81-83, and 85 be withdrawn and the claims allowed.

5. New Claims 87-95

Claims 87-95 were added in the present paper and our believed to be patentable over the cited art. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that Claims 87-95 be indicated as allowable.

G. No Disclaimers or Disavowals

Although the present communication may include alterations to the application or claims, or characterizations of claim scope or referenced art, Applicant is not conceding in this application that previously pending claims are not patentable over the cited references. Rather, any alterations or characterizations are being made to facilitate expeditious prosecution of this application. Applicant reserves the right to pursue at a later date any previously pending or other broader or narrower claims that capture any subject matter supported by the present disclosure, including subject matter found to be specifically disclaimed herein or by any prior prosecution. Accordingly, reviewers of this or any parent, child or related prosecution history shall not reasonably infer that Applicant has made any disclaimers or disavowals of any subject matter supported by the present application.

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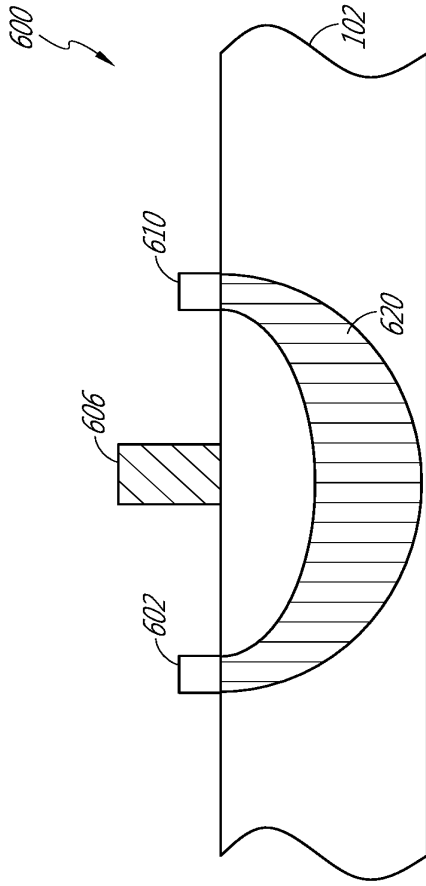


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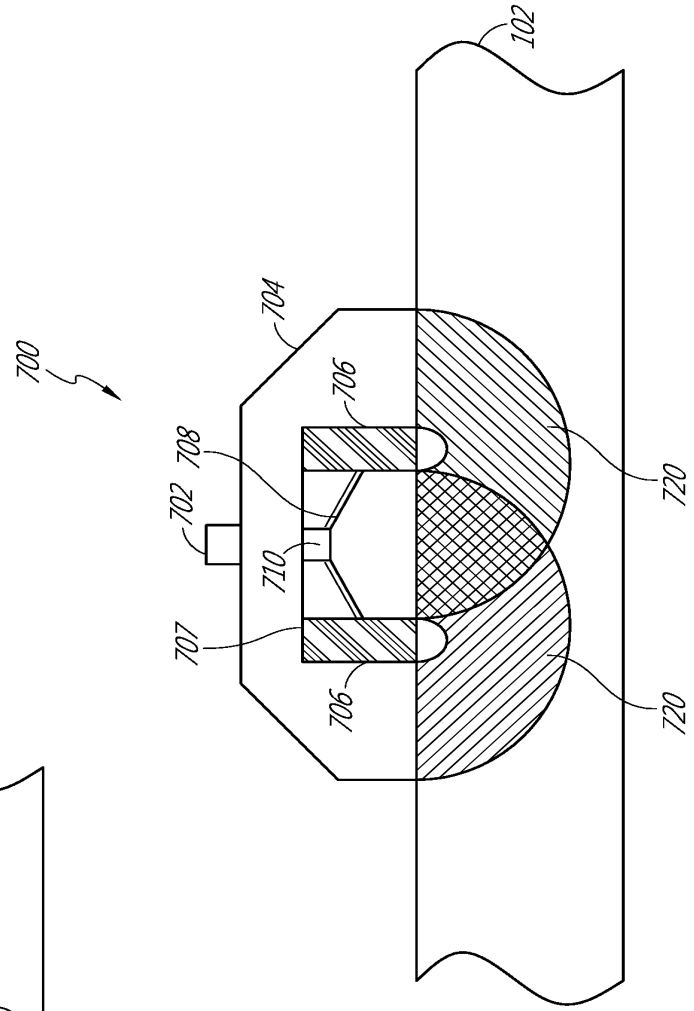


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1. The present application, filed on or after March 16, 2013, is being examined under the first inventor to file provisions of the AIA.

Claim Objections

2. Claims 65, 75, 80 are objected to because of the following informalities: In line 2, change "spacial" to "spatial". Appropriate correction is required.

Drawings

3. The drawings are objected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5) because they include the following reference character(s) not mentioned in the description: reference character 709 in figure 7A not mentioned in the specification. Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d), or amendment to the specification to add the reference character(s) in the description in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(b) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. Each drawing sheet submitted after the filing date of an application must be labeled in the top margin as either "Replacement Sheet" or "New Sheet" pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d). If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

Specification

4. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: In [0053], line 8, Applicant should change "light concentrator 710" to "light concentrator 708".

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

5. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(a)(1) the claimed invention was patented, described in a printed publication, or in public use, on sale or otherwise available to the public before the effective filing date of the claimed invention.

6. Claim(s) 57, 58, 60-62, 64-67, 69, 71-77, 79-82, and 84-86 is/are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a)(1) as being anticipated by Cui et al. (USPN 5,584,296).

Regarding claims 57, 67, 77, Cui et al. discloses a wrist-worn physiological monitoring device configured for placement on a user at a tissue measurement site, the device comprising: a plurality of emitters configured to emit light towards the tissue measurement site (elements 36a-b, figures 7, 9-10, Col.11 line 2-Col.12 line 5), the tissue measurement site being located on a wrist of the user (the emitters are configured to irradiate any tissue of the user such a wrist of the user), the plurality of emitters comprising one or more light-emitting diodes (LEDs) configured to emit one or more wavelengths, the one or more wavelengths comprising at least an infrared wavelength (Col.11 line 2-Col.12 line 5); a plurality of detectors configured to detect the light emitted by the plurality of emitters after attenuation by tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site, wherein the plurality of detectors comprise one or more photodiodes, the plurality of detectors further configured to output at least one signal responsive to the detected light (elements 34,32, figures 7, 9-10, Col.11 line 2-Col.12 line 5); a processor configured to receive the at least one signal responsive to the

output and determine a physiological parameter of the user (processor 18, Col.4 lines 26-50); and a light block forming an enclosing wall between the light emitted from the plurality of emitters at the tissue measurement site and the plurality of detectors when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user, wherein the wall prevents at least a portion of light emitted from the plurality of emitters from being detected by the plurality of detectors without attenuation by the tissue (element 60 figure 10, Col.7 line 50-Col.8 line 43).

Regarding claims 58, 69, 82, Cui et al. discloses a display (element 22) configured to present information related to the determined physiological parameter to the user (Col.4 lines 26-50).

Regarding claims 60, 71, 84, Cui et al. discloses the enclosing wall of the light block is a circular wall (element 60 figure 10 Col.7 line 50-Col.8 line 43).

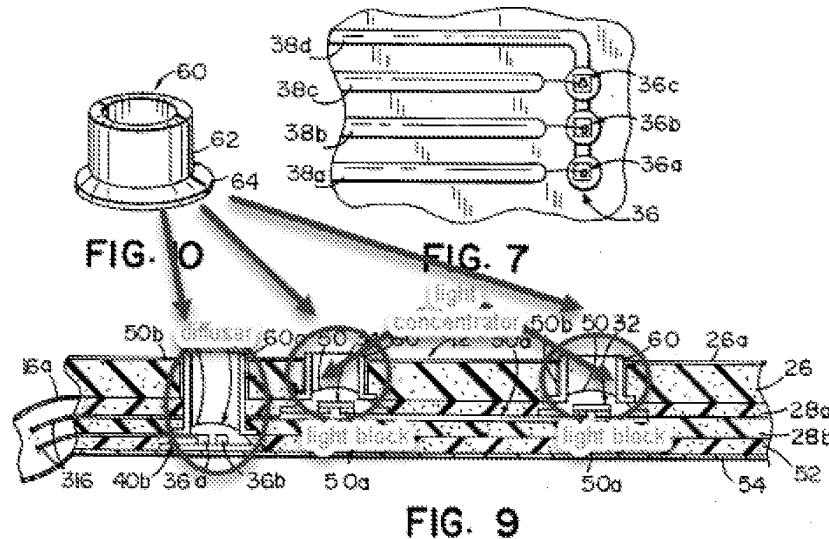
Regarding claims 61, 72, 85, Cui et al. discloses when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, the plurality of emitters are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on a first side of the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on the first side of the tissue measurement site when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user (figure 9).

Regarding claims 62, 73,81, Cui et al. discloses a diffuser which receives, spreads, and emits the spread light, wherein the emitted spread light is directed at the tissue measurement site (the inside surface of element 60 a figure 9 acts as a diffuser since it has an optical reflective surface, Col.7 line 50-Col.8 line 43).

Regarding claims 64, 74, 86, Cui et al. discloses the physiological parameter is selected from the group consisting of arterial oxygen saturation, glucose, and pulse rate (Col.2 lines 5-45).

Regarding claims 65, 75, 79, 80, Cui et al. discloses the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array with a spatial configuration corresponding to an irradiated surface area (figure 9).

Regarding claims 66, 76, Cui et al. discloses the irradiated surface area comprises a circular shape (figures 9-10).



Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

7. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103 which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

A patent for a claimed invention may not be obtained, notwithstanding that the claimed invention is not identically disclosed as set forth in section 102, if the differences between the claimed invention and the prior art are such that the claimed invention as a whole would have been obvious before the effective filing date of the claimed invention to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which the claimed invention pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

8. Claims 57,60-61, 63-68,71-72, 74-80, 84-86, is/are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Hannula et al. (USPN 8,452,364) in view of Geddes et al. (USPN 2003/0036690).

Regarding claims 57, 67, 77, Hannula et al. discloses a wrist-worn physiological monitoring device configured for placement on a user at a tissue measurement site, the device comprising: a plurality of emitters configured to emit light towards the tissue measurement site (elements 18 figure 1B), the tissue measurement site being located on a wrist of the user (the emitters are configured to irradiate any tissue of the user such a wrist of the user), the plurality of emitters comprising one or more light-emitting diodes (Col.4 lines 10-62) configured to emit one or more wavelengths, the one or more wavelengths comprising at least an infrared wavelength (Col.3 lines 50-64); detector (18) configured to detect the light emitted by the plurality of emitters after attenuation by tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site, wherein the detector comprise one or more photodiodes, the plurality of detectors further configured to output at least one signal responsive to the detected light (Col.4 lines 10-62); a processor configured to receive the at least one signal responsive to the output and determine a physiological parameter of the user (Col.8 lines 22-50); and a light block forming an enclosing wall between the light emitted from the plurality of emitters at the tissue measurement site and the plurality of detectors when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user, wherein the wall prevents at least a portion of light emitted from the plurality of emitters from being detected by the plurality of detectors without attenuation by the tissue (optical barrier 20, Col.4 line 36-Col.5 line 45). While Hannula et al. discloses two emitters and a detector or two detector and an emitter configurations, it fails to disclose

two emitters and two detectors. Geddes et al. discloses that the configuration of two emitters and one detector and the configuration of two detectors and one emitter can be combined resulting in two emitters and two detectors ([0040]). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made before the effective filing date of the claimed invention (AIA) to have modified the configuration of the emitters and detector of Hannula et al. by including two detectors and two emitters, with a reasonable expectation of success, because the prior art teaches two emitters and a detector or two detector and an emitter configurations, as taught by Hannula et al., and since the configuration of two emitters and one detector and the configuration of two detectors and one emitter can be combined resulting in two emitters and two detectors would have been known in the art, as taught by Geddes et al.. The rationale would have been the predictable use of prior art elements according to their established functions. KSR, 550, U.S. at 417.

Regarding claims 60, 71, 84, Hannula et al. discloses the enclosing wall of the light block is a circular wall (optical barrier figures 3A, 5A).

Regarding claims 61, 72, 85, Hannula et al. discloses when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, the plurality of emitters are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on a first side of the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on the first side of the tissue measurement site when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user (figures 1 and 5).

Regarding claims 63, 68, 78, the combination of Hannula et al. and Geddes et al. discloses the plurality of emitters (elements 18 figure 1B) are positioned outside the

enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors (elements 16) are positioned inside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site (figure 1B).

Regarding claims 64, 74, 86, Hannula et al. discloses the physiological parameter is selected from the group consisting of arterial oxygen saturation, glucose, and pulse rate (Col.8 lines 22-50).

Regarding claims 65, 75, 79, 80, the combination of Hannula et al. and Geddes et al discloses the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array with a spatial configuration corresponding to an irradiated surface area (figure 1B).

Regarding claims 66, 76, the combination of Hannula et al. and Geddes et al discloses the irradiated surface area comprises a circular shape (figures 1B, 3A, 5A).

9. Claims 59, 70, 83 is/are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Cui et al. (USPN 5,584,296) as applied to claims 58,69, 82 above, and further in view of Swenson et al. (USPN 5,623,925).

Cui et al. fails to disclose that the display is a touch-screen display. Swenson et al. discloses that the computer monitor has touch screen capabilities (Col.4 lines 54-58). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made before the effective filing date of the claimed invention (AIA) to have modified the display of Cui et al. by including touch screen capabilities, with a reasonable expectation of success, because the prior art teaches computer monitor 22 (figure 1), as taught by Cui et al., and since computer monitor with touch screen capabilities would have been known in the art, as taught by Swenson et al.. The

rationale would have been the predictable use of prior art elements according to their established functions. KSR, 550, U.S. at 417.

Conclusion

10. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to MARJAN FARDANESH whose telephone number is (571)270-5508. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 9:00-17:00.

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	23	5,632,272	5/27/1997	Diab et al.	
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	91	6,463,311	10/8/2002	Diab	
	92	6,470,199	10/22/2002	Kopotic et al.	
	93	6,501,975	12/31/2002	Diab et al.	
	94	6,505,059	1/7/2003	Kollias, et al.	
	95	6,515,273	2/4/2003	Al-Ali	
	96	6,519,487	2/11/2003	Parker	
	97	6,525,386	2/25/2003	Mills et al.	
	98	6,526,300	2/25/2003	Kiani et al.	
	99	6,541,756	4/1/2003	Schulz et al.	
	100	6,542,764	4/1/2003	Al-Ali et al.	
	101	6,580,086	6/17/2003	Schulz et al.	
	102	6,584,336	6/24/2003	Ali et al.	
	103	6,595,316	7/22/2003	Cybulski et al.	
	104	6,597,932	7/22/2003	Tian et al.	
	105	6,597,933	7/22/2003	Kiani et al.	
	106	6,606,511	8/12/2003	Ali et al.	
	107	6,632,181	10/14/2003	Flaherty et al.	
	108	6,639,668	10/28/2003	Trepagnier, Pierre	
	109	6,640,116	10/28/2003	Diab	
	110	6,643,530	11/4/2003	Diab et al.	
	111	6,650,917	11/18/2003	Diab et al.	
	112	6,654,624	11/25/2003	Diab et al.	
	113	6,658,276	12/2/2003	Kiani et al.	
	114	6,661,161	12/9/2003	Lanzo et al.	
	115	6,671,531	12/30/2003	Al-Ali et al.	
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	121	6,697,658	2/24/2004	Al-Ali	
	122	6,699,194	3/2/2004	Diab et al.	
	123	6,714,804	3/30/2004	Al-Ali et al.	
	124	6,721,582	4/13/2004	Trepagnier, et al.	
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	126	6,725,075	4/20/2004	Al-Ali	
	127	6,728,560	4/27/2004	Kollias, et al.	
	128	6,735,459	5/11/2004	Parker	
	129	6,745,060	6/1/2004	Diab et al.	
	130	6,760,607	7/6/2004	Al-Ali	
	131	6,770,028	8/3/2004	Ali et al.	
	132	6,771,994	8/3/2004	Kiani et al.	
	133	6,792,300	9/14/2004	Diab et al.	
	134	6,813,511	11/2/2004	Diab et al.	
	135	6,816,741	11/9/2004	Diab	
	136	6,822,564	11/23/2004	Al-Ali	
	137	6,826,419	11/30/2004	Diab et al.	
	138	6,830,711	12/14/2004	Mills et al.	
	139	6,850,787	2/1/2005	Weber et al.	
	140	6,850,788	2/1/2005	Al-Ali	
	141	6,852,083	2/8/2005	Caro et al.	
	142	6,861,639	3/1/2005	Al-Ali	
	143	6,898,452	5/24/2005	Al-Ali et al.	
	144	6,920,345	7/19/2005	Al-Ali et al.	
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	148	6,943,348	9/13/2005	Coffin IV	
	149	6,950,687	9/27/2005	Al-Ali	
	150	6,961,598	11/1/2005	Diab	
	151	6,970,792	11/29/2005	Diab	
	152	6,979,812	12/27/2005	Al-Ali	
	153	6,985,764	1/10/2006	Mason et al.	
	154	6,993,371	1/31/2006	Kiani et al.	
	155	6,996,427	2/7/2006	Ali et al.	
	156	6,999,904	2/14/2006	Weber et al.	
	157	7,003,338	2/21/2006	Weber et al.	
	158	7,003,339	2/21/2006	Diab et al.	
	159	7,015,451	3/21/2006	Dalke et al.	
	160	7,024,233	4/4/2006	Ali et al.	
	161	7,027,849	4/11/2006	Al-Ali	
	162	7,030,749	4/18/2006	Al-Ali	
	163	7,039,449	5/2/2006	Al-Ali	
	164	7,041,060	5/9/2006	Flaherty et al	
	165	7,044,918	5/16/2006	Diab	
	166	7,067,893	6/27/2006	Mills et al.	
	167	7,096,052	8/22/2006	Mason et al.	
	168	7,096,054	8/22/2006	Abdul-Hafiz et al.	
	169	7,132,641	11/7/2006	Schulz et al.	
	170	7,142,901	11/28/2006	Kiani et al.	
	171	7,149,561	12/12/2006	Diab	
	172	7,186,966	3/6/2007	Al-Ali	
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	178	7,225,007	5/29/2007	Al-Ali	
	179	7,239,905	7/3/2007	Kiani-Azarbayjany et al.	
	180	7,245,953	7/17/2007	Parker	
	181	7,254,429	8/7/2007	Schurman et al.	
	182	7,254,431	8/7/2007	Al-Ali	
	183	7,254,433	8/7/2007	Diab et al.	
	184	7,254,434	8/7/2007	Schulz et al.	
	185	7,272,425	9/18/2007	Al-Ali	
	186	7,274,955	9/25/2007	Kiani et al.	
	187	7,280,858	10/9/2007	Al-Ali et al.	
	188	7,289,835	10/30/2007	Mansfield et al.	
	189	7,292,883	11/6/2007	De Felice et al.	
	190	7,295,866	11/13/2007	Al-Ali	
	191	7,328,053	2/5/2008	Diab et al.	
	192	7,332,784	2/19/2008	Mills, et al.	
	193	7,340,287	3/4/2008	Mason et al.	
	194	7,341,559	3/11/2008	Schulz et al.	
	195	7,343,186	3/11/2008	Lamego et al.	
	196	7,355,512	4/8/2008	Al-Ali	
	197	7,356,365	4/8/2008	Schurman	
	198	7,371,981	5/13/2008	Abdul-Hafiz	
	199	7,373,193	5/13/2008	Al-Ali et al.	
	200	7,373,194	5/13/2008	Weber et al.	
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	206	7,428,432	9/23/2008	Ali et al.	
	207	7,438,683	10/21/2008	Al-Ali et al.	
	208	7,440,787	10/21/2008	Diab	
	209	7,454,240	11/18/2008	Diab et al.	
	210	7,467,002	12/16/2008	Weber et al.	
	211	7,469,157	12/23/2008	Diab et al.	
	212	7,471,969	12/30/2008	Diab et al.	
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	214	7,483,729	1/27/2009	Al-Ali et al.	
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	217	7,496,391	2/24/2009	Diab et al.	
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	219	7,499,741	3/3/2009	Diab et al.	
	220	7,499,835	3/3/2009	Weber et al.	
	221	7,500,950	3/10/2009	Al-Ali et al.	
	222	7,509,154	3/24/2009	Diab et al.	
	223	7,509,494	3/24/2009	Al-Ali	
	224	7,510,849	3/31/2009	Schurman et al.	
	225	7,519,327	4/14/2009	White	
	226	7,526,328	4/28/2009	Diab et al.	
	227	7,530,942	5/12/2009	Diab	
	228	7,530,949	5/12/2009	Al Ali et al.	
	229	7,530,955	5/12/2009	Diab et al.	
	230	7,563,110	7/21/2009	Al-Ali et al.	
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	235	7,726,209	6/1/2010	Ruotoistenmäki	
	236	7,729,733	6/1/2010	Al-Ali et al.	
	237	7,734,320	6/8/2010	Al-Ali	
	238	7,761,127	7/20/2010	Al-Ali et al.	
	239	7,761,128	7/20/2010	Al-Ali et al.	
	240	7,764,982	7/27/2010	Dalke et al.	
	241	7,791,155	9/7/2010	Diab	
	242	7,801,581	9/21/2010	Diab	
	243	7,822,452	10/26/2010	Schurman et al.	
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	245	7,844,314	11/30/2010	Al-Ali	
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	247	7,862,523	1/4/2011	Ruotoistenmaki	
	248	7,865,222	1/4/2011	Weber et al.	
	249	7,873,497	1/18/2011	Weber et al.	
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	251	7,880,626	2/1/2011	Al-Ali et al.	
	252	7,891,355	2/22/2011	Al-Ali et al.	
	253	7,894,868	2/22/2011	Al-Ali et al.	
	254	7,899,507	3/1/2011	Al-Ali et al.	
	255	7,899,518	3/1/2011	Trepagnier et al.	
	256	7,904,132	3/8/2011	Weber et al.	
	257	7,909,772	3/22/2011	Popov et al.	
	258	7,910,875	3/22/2011	Al-Ali	
	259	7,919,713	4/5/2011	Al-Ali et al.	
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	266	7,962,188	6/14/2011	Kiani et al.	
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	273	8,008,088	8/30/2011	Bellott et al.	
	274	8,019,400	9/13/2011	Diab et al.	
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	276	8,029,765	10/4/2011	Bellott et al.	
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	282	8,048,040	11/1/2011	Kiani	
	283	8,050,728	11/1/2011	Al-Ali et al.	
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	286	8,128,572	3/6/2012	Diab et al.	
	287	8,130,105	3/6/2012	Al-Ali et al.	
	288	8,145,287	3/27/2012	Diab et al.	
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	309	8,265,723	9/11/2012	McHale et al.	
	310	8,274,360	9/25/2012	Sampath et al.	
	311	8,289,130	10/16/2012	Nakajima et al.	
	312	8,301,217	10/30/2012	Al-Ali et al.	
	313	8,306,596	11/6/2012	Schurman et al.	
	314	8,310,336	11/13/2012	Muhsin et al.	
	315	8,315,683	11/20/2012	Al-Ali et al.	
	316	8,337,403	12/25/2012	Al-Ali et al.	
	317	8,346,330	1/1/2013	Lamego	
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	322	8,364,226	1/29/2013	Diab et al.	
	323	8,364,389	1/29/2013	Dorogusker et al.	
	324	8,374,665	2/12/2013	Lamego	
	325	8,385,995	2/26/2013	Al-ali et al.	
	326	8,385,996	2/26/2013	Smith et al.	
	327	8,388,353	3/5/2013	Kiani et la.	
	328	8,399,822	3/19/2013	Al-Ali	
	329	8,401,602	3/19/2013	Kiani	
	330	8,405,608	3/26/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	331	8,414,499	4/9/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	332	8,418,524	4/16/2013	Al-Ali	
	333	8,423,106	4/16/2013	Lamego et al.	
	334	8,428,967	4/23/2013	Olsen et al.	
	335	8,430,817	4/30/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	336	8,437,825	5/7/2013	Dalvi et al.	
	337	8,455,290	6/4/2013	Siskavich	
	338	8,457,703	6/4/2013	Al-Ali	
	339	8,457,707	6/4/2013	Kiani	
	340	8,463,349	6/11/2013	Diab et al.	
	341	8,466,286	6/18/2013	Bellot et al.	
	342	8,471,713	6/25/2013	Poeze et al.	
	343	8,473,020	6/25/2013	Kiani et al.	
	344	8,483,787	7/9/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	345	8,489,364	7/16/2013	Weber et al.	
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	351	8,529,301	9/10/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	352	8,532,727	9/10/2013	Ali et al.	
	353	8,532,728	9/10/2013	Diab et al.	
	354	8,547,209	10/1/2013	Kiani et al.	
	355	8,548,548	10/1/2013	Al-Ali	
	356	8,548,549	10/1/2013	Schurman et al.	
	357	8,548,550	10/1/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	358	8,560,032	10/15/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	359	8,560,034	10/15/2013	Diab et al.	
	360	8,570,167	10/29/2013	Al-Ali	
	361	8,570,503	10/29/2013	Vo et al.	
	362	8,571,617	10/29/2013	Reichgott et al.	
	363	8,571,618	10/29/2013	Lamego et al.	
	364	8,571,619	10/29/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	365	8,577,431	11/5/2013	Lamego et al.	
	366	8,581,732	11/12/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	367	8,584,345	11/19/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	368	8,588,880	11/19/2013	Abdul-Hafiz et al.	
	369	8,600,467	12/3/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	370	8,606,342	12/10/2013	Diab	
	371	8,615,290	12/24/2013	Lin et al.	
	372	8,626,255	1/7/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	373	8,630,691	1/14/2014	Lamego et al.	
	374	8,634,889	1/21/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	375	8,641,631	2/4/2014	Sierra et al.	
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	379	8,666,468	3/4/2014	Al-Ali	
	380	8,667,967	3/11/2014	Al- Ali et al.	
	381	8,670,811	3/11/2014	O'Reilly	
	382	8,670,814	3/11/2014	Diab et al.	
	383	8,676,286	3/18/2014	Weber et al.	
	384	8,682,407	3/25/2014	Al-Ali	
	385	8,690,799	4/8/2014	Telfort et al.	
	386	8,700,112	4/15/2014	Kiani	
	387	8,702,627	4/22/2014	Telfort et al.	
	388	8,706,179	4/22/2014	Parker	
	389	8,712,494	4/29/2014	MacNeish, III et al.	
	390	8,715,206	5/6/2014	Telfort et al.	
	391	8,718,735	5/6/2014	Lamego et al.	
	392	8,718,737	5/6/2014	Diab et al.	
	393	8,718,738	5/6/2014	Blank et al.	
	394	8,720,249	5/13/2014	Al-Ali	
	395	8,721,541	5/13/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	396	8,721,542	5/13/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	397	8,723,677	5/13/2014	Kiani	
	398	8,740,792	6/3/2014	Kiani et al.	
	399	8,754,776	6/17/2014	Poeze et al.	
	400	8,755,535	6/17/2014	Telfort et al.	
	401	8,755,856	6/17/2014	Diab et al.	
	402	8,755,872	6/17/2014	Marinow	
	403	8,760,517	6/24/2014	Sarwar et al.	
	404	8,761,850	6/24/2014	Lamego	
	405	8,764,671	7/1/2014	Kiani	
	406	8,768,423	7/1/2014	Shakespeare et al.	

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	409	8,781,543	7/15/2014	Diab et al.	
	410	8,781,544	7/15/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	411	8,781,549	7/15/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	412	8,788,003	7/22/2014	Schurman et al.	
	413	8,790,268	7/29/2014	Al-Ali	
	414	8,801,613	8/12/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	415	8,821,397	9/2/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	416	8,821,415	9/2/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	417	8,830,449	9/9/2014	Lamego et al.	
	418	8,831,700	9/9/2014	Schurman et al.	
	419	8,840,549	9/23/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	420	8,845,543	9/30/2014	Diab et al.	
	421	8,847,740	9/30/2014	Kiani et al.	
	422	8,849,365	9/30/2014	Smith et al.	
	423	8,852,094	10/7/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	424	8,852,994	10/7/2014	Wojtczuk et al.	
	425	8,868,147	10/21/2014	Stippick et al.	
	426	8,868,150	10/21/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
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	428	8,886,271	11/11/2014	Kiani et al.	
	429	8,888,539	11/18/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	430	8,888,708	11/18/2014	Diab et al.	
	431	8,892,180	11/18/2014	Weber et al.	
	432	8,897,847	11/25/2014	Al-Ali	
	433	8,909,310	12/9/2014	Lamego et al.	
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	438	8,922,382	12/30/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	439	8,929,964	1/6/2015	Al-Ali et al.	
	440	8,942,777	1/27/2015	Diab et al.	
	441	8,948,834	2/3/2015	Diab et al.	
	442	8,948,835	2/3/2015	Diab	
	443	8,965,471	2/24/2015	Lamego	
	444	8,983,564	3/17/2015	Al-Ali	
	445	8,989,831	3/24/2015	Al-Ali et al.	
	446	8,996,085	3/31/2015	Kiani et al.	
	447	8,998,809	4/7/2015	Kiani	
	448	9,028,429	5/12/2015	Telfort et al.	
	449	9,037,207	5/19/2015	Al-Ali et al.	
	450	9,060,721	6/23/2015	Reichgott et al.	
	451	9,066,666	6/30/2015	Kiani	
	452	9,066,680	6/30/2015	Al-Ali et al.	
	453	9,072,437	7/7/2015	Paalasmaa	
	454	9,072,474	7/7/2015	Al-Ali et al.	
	455	9,078,560	7/14/2015	Schurman et al.	
	456	9,081,889	7/14/2015	Ingrassia, Jr. et al.	
	457	9,084,569	7/21/2015	Weber et al.	
	458	9,095,316	8/4/2015	Welch et al.	
	459	9,106,038	8/11/2015	Telfort et al.	
	460	9,107,625	8/18/2015	Telfort et al.	
	461	9,107,626	8/18/2015	Al-Ali et al.	
	462	9,113,831	8/25/2015	Al-Ali	
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	464	9,119,595	9/1/2015	Lamego	

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	467	9,131,883	9/15/2015	Al-Ali	
	468	9,131,917	9/15/2015	Telfort et al.	
	469	9,138,180	9/22/2015	Coverston et al.	
	470	9,138,182	9/22/2015	Al-Ali et al.	
	471	9,138,192	9/22/2015	Weber et al.	
	472	9,142,117	9/22/2015	Muhsin et al.	
	473	9,153,112	10/6/2015	Kiani et al.	
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	480	9,192,312	11/24/2015	Al-Ali	
	481	9,192,329	11/24/2015	Al-Ali	
	482	9,192,351	11/24/2015	Telfort et al.	
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	484	9,210,566	12/8/2015	Ziemianska et al.	
	485	9,211,072	12/15/2015	Kiani	
	486	9,211,095	12/15/2015	Al-Ali	
	487	9,218,454	12/22/2015	Kiani et al.	
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	489	9,241,662	1/26/2016	Al-Ali et al.	
	490	9,245,668	1/26/2016	Vo et al.	
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	496	9,307,928	4/12/2016	Al-Ali et al.	
	497	9,311,382	4/12/2016	Varoglu et al.	
	498	9,323,894	4/26/2016	Kiani	
	499	9,326,712	5/3/2016	Kiani	
	500	9,333,316	5/10/2016	Kiani	
	501	9,339,220	5/17/2016	Lamego et al.	
	502	9,341,565	5/17/2016	Lamego et al.	
	503	9,351,673	5/31/2016	Diab et al.	
	504	9,351,675	5/31/2016	Al-Ali et al.	
	505	9,357,665	5/31/2016	Myers et al.	
	506	9,489,081	11/8/2016	Anzures et al.	
	507	9,497,534	11/15/2016	Prest et al.	
	508	9,526,430	12/27/2016	Srinivas et al.	
	509	9,553,625	1/24/2017	Hatanaka et al.	
	510	9,593,969	3/14/2017	King	
	511	9,651,405	5/16/2017	Gowreesunker et al.	
	512	9,668,676	6/6/2017	Culbert	
	513	9,699,546	7/4/2017	Qian et al.	
	514	9,716,937	7/25/2017	Qian et al.	
	515	9,723,997	8/8/2017	Lamego	
	516	9,781,984	10/10/2017	Baranski et al.	
	517	9,838,775	12/5/2017	Qian et al.	
	518	9,848,823	12/26/2017	Raghuram et al.	
	519	9,866,671	1/9/2018	Thompson et al.	
	520	9,867,575	1/16/2018	Maani et al.	
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	525	10,055,121	8/21/2018	Chaudhri et al.	
	526	10,066,970	9/4/2018	Gowreesunker et al.	
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	528	10,078,052	9/18/2018	Ness et al.	
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	538	D566,282	4/8/2008	Al-Ali et al.	
	539	D587,657	3/3/2009	Al-Ali et al.	
	540	D606,659	12/22/2009	Kiani et al.	
	541	D609,193	2/2/2010	Al-Ali et al.	
	542	D614,305	4/20/2010	Al-Ali et al.	
	543	D621,516	8/10/2010	Kiani et al.	
	544	D692,145	10/22/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	545	D755,392	5/3/2016	Hwang et al.	
	546	RE38,476	3/30/2004	Diab et al.	
	547	RE38,492	4/6/2004	Diab et al.	
	548	RE39,672	6/5/2007	Shehada et al.	
	549	RE41,317	5/4/2010	Parker	
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	555	RE44,875	4/29/2014	Kiani et al.	
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	557	2007/0282478	12/6/2007	Al-Ali et al.	
	558	2008/0030468	2/7/2008	Al-Ali et al.	
	559	2009/0247984	10/1/2009	Lamego et al.	
	560	2009/0275813	11/5/2009	Davis	
	561	2009/0275844	11/5/2009	Al-Ali	
	562	2010/0004518	1/7/2010	Vo et al.	
	563	2010/0030040	2/4/2010	Poeze et al.	
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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please enter the amendments set forth herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-56. **(Cancelled)**

57. **(New)** A wrist-worn physiological monitoring device configured for placement on a user at a tissue measurement site, the device comprising:

a plurality of emitters configured to emit light towards the tissue measurement site, the tissue measurement site being located on a wrist of the user, the plurality of emitters comprising one or more light-emitting diodes (LEDs) configured to emit one or more wavelengths, the one or more wavelengths comprising at least an infrared wavelength;

a plurality of detectors configured to detect the light emitted by the plurality of emitters after attenuation by tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site, wherein the plurality of detectors comprise one or more photodiodes, the plurality of detectors further configured to output at least one signal responsive to the detected light;

a processor configured to receive the at least one signal responsive to the output and determine a physiological parameter of the user; and

a light block forming an enclosing wall between the light emitted from the plurality of emitters at the tissue measurement site and the plurality of detectors when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user, wherein the wall prevents at least a portion of light emitted from the plurality of emitters from being detected by the plurality of detectors without attenuation by the tissue.

58. **(New)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, further comprising a display configured to present information related to the determined physiological parameter to the user.

59. **(New)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 58, wherein the display is a touch-screen display.

60. **(New)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, wherein the enclosing wall of the light block is a circular wall.

61. **(New)** The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, wherein, when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, the plurality of emitters are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on a first side of the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in a reflectance

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measurement configuration on the first side of the tissue measurement site when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user.

62. (New) The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, further comprising a diffuser which receives, spreads, and emits the spread light, wherein the emitted spread light is directed at the tissue measurement site.

63. (New) The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, wherein the plurality of emitters are positioned outside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are positioned inside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site.

64. (New) The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, wherein the physiological parameter is selected from the group consisting of arterial oxygen saturation, glucose, and pulse rate.

65. (New) The physiological monitoring device of Claim 57, wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array with a spacial configuration corresponding to an irradiated surface area.

66. (New) The physiological monitoring device of Claim 65, wherein the irradiated surface area comprises a circular shape.

67. (New) A method of measuring a physiological parameter in a user's blood, the method comprising:

emitting, from a plurality of emitters of a physiological monitoring device, light of one or more wavelengths toward a tissue measurement site located on a wrist of the user, wherein the plurality of emitters comprise one or more light-emitting diodes (LEDs) and the one or more wavelengths comprises at least an infrared wavelength;

detecting, with a plurality of detectors, the light emitted by the plurality of emitters after attenuation through tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site, wherein the plurality of detectors comprise one or more photodiodes; and

providing a light block forming an enclosing wall between the light emitted from the plurality of emitters at the tissue measurement site and the plurality of detectors when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user, wherein the wall prevents at

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least a portion of light emitted from the plurality of emitters from being detected by the plurality of detectors without attenuation by the tissue;

outputting, from the plurality of detectors, at least one signal responsive to the detected light;

receiving, by a processor, the outputted at least one signal responsive to the detected light; and

processing, by the processor, the received at least one signal responsive to the detected light to determine a physiological parameter.

68. (New) The method of Claim 67, wherein the plurality of emitters are positioned outside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are positioned inside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site.

69. (New) The method of Claim 67, further comprising presenting, with a display of the physiological monitoring device, information related to the determined physiological parameter to the user.

70. (New) The method of Claim 69, wherein the display is a touch-screen display.

71. (New) The method of Claim 67, wherein the enclosing wall of the light block comprises a circular wall.

72. (New) The method of Claim 67, wherein when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, the plurality of emitters are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on a first side of the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on the first side of the tissue measurement site when the physiological monitoring device is worn by the user.

73. (New) The method of Claim 67, further comprising spreading, with a diffuser, the emitted light and emitting the spread light from the diffuser to the tissue measurement site.

74. (New) The method of Claim 67, wherein the physiological parameter is indicative of at least one of pulse rate, perfusion index, oxygen content, and total hemoglobin.

75. (New) The method of Claim 67, wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array with a spacial configuration corresponding to an irradiated surface area.

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76. (New) The method of Claim 75, wherein the irradiated surface area comprises a circular shape.

77. (New) A wrist-worn physiological monitoring sensor comprising:

a plurality of optical sources configured to emit light towards a tissue measurement site on a user, the tissue measurement site located on a wrist of the user, the plurality of optical sources comprising one or more light-emitting diodes (LEDs) configured to emit one or more wavelengths, the one or more wavelengths comprising at least an infrared wavelength;

a plurality of detectors configured to detect the light emitted by the plurality of emitters after attenuation by tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site, wherein the plurality of detectors comprise one or more photodiodes, the plurality of detectors further configured to output at least one signal responsive to the detected light;

a processor configured to receive the outputted at least one signal responsive to the detected light and determine a physiological parameter indicative of a state or trend of wellness of the user; and

a light block forming an enclosing wall between the light emitted from the plurality of emitters at the tissue measurement site and the plurality of detectors when the physiological monitoring sensor is worn by the user, the light block forming a light isolation chamber defined by the enclosing wall, wherein the wall prevents at least a portion of light emitted from the plurality of emitters from being detected by the plurality of detectors without attenuation by the tissue.

78. (New) The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, wherein the plurality of optical sources are located outside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring sensor is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged inside the enclosing wall when the physiological monitoring sensor is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site.

79. (New) The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array so as to capture the emitted light reflected from the tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site.

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80. (New) The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged with a spacial configuration corresponding to an irradiated surface area.

81. (New) The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, further comprising a diffuser which receives, spreads, and emits the spread light, wherein the emitted spread light is directed at the tissue measurement site.

82. (New) The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, further comprising a display configured to present information related to the determined physiological parameter to the user.

83. (New) The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 82, wherein the display is a touch-screen display.

84. (New) The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, wherein the enclosing wall of the light block is a circular wall.

85. (New) The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, wherein when the physiological monitoring sensor is worn by the user at the tissue measurement site, the plurality of emitters are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on a first side of the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on the first side of the tissue measurement site when the physiological monitoring sensor is worn by the user.

86. (New) The physiological monitoring sensor of Claim 77, wherein the physiological parameter is selected from the group consisting of arterial oxygen saturation, glucose, and pulse rate.

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The claims of the present application are different and possibly broader in scope than the claims pursued in the parent application(s). To the extent any prior amendments or characterizations of the scope of any claim or referenced art could be construed as a disclaimer of any subject matter supported by the present disclosure, Applicant hereby rescinds and retracts such disclaimer. Accordingly, the references previously considered in the parent application(s) may need to be re-visited.

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Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please enter the amendments set forth herein.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

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	205	7,415,297	8/19/2008	Al-Ali et al.	
	206	7,428,432	9/23/2008	Ali et al.	
	207	7,438,683	10/21/2008	Al-Ali et al.	
	208	7,440,787	10/21/2008	Diab	
	209	7,454,240	11/18/2008	Diab et al.	
	210	7,467,002	12/16/2008	Weber et al.	
	211	7,469,157	12/23/2008	Diab et al.	
	212	7,471,969	12/30/2008	Diab et al.	
	213	7,471,971	12/30/2008	Diab et al.	
	214	7,483,729	1/27/2009	Al-Ali et al.	
	215	7,483,730	1/27/2009	Diab et al.	
	216	7,489,958	2/10/2009	Diab et al.	
	217	7,496,391	2/24/2009	Diab et al.	
	218	7,496,393	2/24/2009	Diab et al.	
	219	7,499,741	3/3/2009	Diab et al.	
	220	7,499,835	3/3/2009	Weber et al.	
	221	7,500,950	3/10/2009	Al-Ali et al.	
	222	7,509,154	3/24/2009	Diab et al.	
	223	7,509,494	3/24/2009	Al-Ali	
	224	7,510,849	3/31/2009	Schurman et al.	
	225	7,519,327	4/14/2009	White	
	226	7,526,328	4/28/2009	Diab et al.	
	227	7,530,942	5/12/2009	Diab	
	228	7,530,949	5/12/2009	Al Ali et al.	
	229	7,530,955	5/12/2009	Diab et al.	
	230	7,563,110	7/21/2009	Al-Ali et al.	
	231	7,596,398	9/29/2009	Al-Ali et al.	
	232	7,601,123	10/13/2009	Tweed, et al.	

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	234	7,647,083	1/12/2010	Al-Ali et al.	
	235	7,726,209	6/1/2010	Ruotoistenmäki	
	236	7,729,733	6/1/2010	Al-Ali et al.	
	237	7,734,320	6/8/2010	Al-Ali	
	238	7,761,127	7/20/2010	Al-Ali et al.	
	239	7,761,128	7/20/2010	Al-Ali et al.	
	240	7,764,982	7/27/2010	Dalke et al.	
	241	7,791,155	9/7/2010	Diab	
	242	7,801,581	9/21/2010	Diab	
	243	7,822,452	10/26/2010	Schurman et al.	
	244	7,844,313	11/30/2010	Kiani et al.	
	245	7,844,314	11/30/2010	Al-Ali	
	246	7,844,315	11/30/2010	Al-Ali	
	247	7,862,523	1/4/2011	Ruotoistenmaki	
	248	7,865,222	1/4/2011	Weber et al.	
	249	7,873,497	1/18/2011	Weber et al.	
	250	7,880,606	2/1/2011	Al-Ali	
	251	7,880,626	2/1/2011	Al-Ali et al.	
	252	7,891,355	2/22/2011	Al-Ali et al.	
	253	7,894,868	2/22/2011	Al-Ali et al.	
	254	7,899,507	3/1/2011	Al-Ali et al.	
	255	7,899,518	3/1/2011	Trepagnier et al.	
	256	7,904,132	3/8/2011	Weber et al.	
	257	7,909,772	3/22/2011	Popov et al.	
	258	7,910,875	3/22/2011	Al-Ali	
	259	7,919,713	4/5/2011	Al-Ali et al.	
	260	7,937,128	5/3/2011	Al-Ali	
	261	7,937,129	5/3/2011	Mason et al.	

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	263	7,941,199	5/10/2011	Kiani	
	264	7,951,086	5/31/2011	Flaherty et al.	
	265	7,957,780	6/7/2011	Lamego et al.	
	266	7,962,188	6/14/2011	Kiani et al.	
	267	7,962,190	6/14/2011	Diab et al.	
	268	7,976,472	7/12/2011	Kiani	
	269	7,988,637	8/2/2011	Diab	
	270	7,990,382	8/2/2011	Kiani	
	271	7,991,446	8/2/2011	Al-Ali et al.	
	272	8,000,761	8/16/2011	Al-Ali	
	273	8,008,088	8/30/2011	Bellott et al.	
	274	8,019,400	9/13/2011	Diab et al.	
	275	8,028,701	10/4/2011	Al-Ali et al.	
	276	8,029,765	10/4/2011	Bellott et al.	
	277	8,036,727	10/11/2011	Schurman et al.	
	278	8,036,728	10/11/2011	Diab et al.	
	279	8,046,040	10/25/2011	Ali et al.	
	280	8,046,041	10/25/2011	Diab et al.	
	281	8,046,042	10/25/2011	Diab et al.	
	282	8,048,040	11/1/2011	Kiani	
	283	8,050,728	11/1/2011	Al-Ali et al.	
	284	8,118,620	2/21/2012	Al-Ali et al.	
	285	8,126,528	2/28/2012	Diab et al.	
	286	8,128,572	3/6/2012	Diab et al.	
	287	8,130,105	3/6/2012	Al-Ali et al.	
	288	8,145,287	3/27/2012	Diab et al.	
	289	8,150,487	4/3/2012	Diab et al.	
	290	8,175,672	5/8/2012	Parker	

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	291	8,180,420	5/15/2012	Diab et al.	
	292	8,182,443	5/22/2012	Kiani	
	293	8,185,180	5/22/2012	Diab et al.	
	294	8,190,223	5/29/2012	Al-Ali et al.	
	295	8,190,227	5/29/2012	Diab et al.	
	296	8,203,438	6/19/2012	Kiani et al.	
	297	8,203,704	6/19/2012	Merritt et al.	
	298	8,204,566	6/19/2012	Schurman et al.	
	299	8,219,172	7/10/2012	Schurman et al.	
	300	8,224,411	7/17/2012	Al-Ali et al.	
	301	8,228,181	7/24/2012	Al-Ali	
	302	8,229,533	7/24/2012	Diab et al.	
	303	8,233,955	7/31/2012	Al-Ali et al.	
	304	8,244,325	8/14/2012	Al-Ali et al.	
	305	8,255,026	8/28/2012	Al-Ali	
	306	8,255,027	8/28/2012	Al-Ali et al.	
	307	8,255,028	8/28/2012	Al-Ali et al.	
	308	8,260,577	9/4/2012	Weber et al.	
	309	8,265,723	9/11/2012	McHale et al.	
	310	8,274,360	9/25/2012	Sampath et al.	
	311	8,289,130	10/16/2012	Nakajima et al.	
	312	8,301,217	10/30/2012	Al-Ali et al.	
	313	8,306,596	11/6/2012	Schurman et al.	
	314	8,310,336	11/13/2012	Muhsin et al.	
	315	8,315,683	11/20/2012	Al-Ali et al.	
	316	8,337,403	12/25/2012	Al-Ali et al.	
	317	8,346,330	1/1/2013	Lamego	
	318	8,353,842	1/15/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	319	8,355,766	1/15/2013	MacNeish, III et al.	

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	321	8,364,223	1/29/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	322	8,364,226	1/29/2013	Diab et al.	
	323	8,364,389	1/29/2013	Dorogusker et al.	
	324	8,374,665	2/12/2013	Lamego	
	325	8,385,995	2/26/2013	Al-ali et al.	
	326	8,385,996	2/26/2013	Smith et al.	
	327	8,388,353	3/5/2013	Kiani et la.	
	328	8,399,822	3/19/2013	Al-Ali	
	329	8,401,602	3/19/2013	Kiani	
	330	8,405,608	3/26/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	331	8,414,499	4/9/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	332	8,418,524	4/16/2013	Al-Ali	
	333	8,423,106	4/16/2013	Lamego et al.	
	334	8,428,967	4/23/2013	Olsen et al.	
	335	8,430,817	4/30/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	336	8,437,825	5/7/2013	Dalvi et al.	
	337	8,455,290	6/4/2013	Siskavich	
	338	8,457,703	6/4/2013	Al-Ali	
	339	8,457,707	6/4/2013	Kiani	
	340	8,463,349	6/11/2013	Diab et al.	
	341	8,466,286	6/18/2013	Bellot et al.	
	342	8,471,713	6/25/2013	Poeze et al.	
	343	8,473,020	6/25/2013	Kiani et al.	
	344	8,483,787	7/9/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	345	8,489,364	7/16/2013	Weber et al.	
	346	8,498,684	0730//2013	Weber et al.	
	347	8,504,128	8/6/2013	Blank et al.	
	348	8,509,867	8/13/2013	Workman et al.	

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	349	8,515,509	8/20/2013	Bruinsma et al.	
	350	8,523,781	9/3/2013	Al-Ali	
	351	8,529,301	9/10/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	352	8,532,727	9/10/2013	Ali et al.	
	353	8,532,728	9/10/2013	Diab et al.	
	354	8,547,209	10/1/2013	Kiani et al.	
	355	8,548,548	10/1/2013	Al-Ali	
	356	8,548,549	10/1/2013	Schurman et al.	
	357	8,548,550	10/1/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	358	8,560,032	10/15/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	359	8,560,034	10/15/2013	Diab et al.	
	360	8,570,167	10/29/2013	Al-Ali	
	361	8,570,503	10/29/2013	Vo et al.	
	362	8,571,617	10/29/2013	Reichgott et al.	
	363	8,571,618	10/29/2013	Lamego et al.	
	364	8,571,619	10/29/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	365	8,577,431	11/5/2013	Lamego et al.	
	366	8,581,732	11/12/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	367	8,584,345	11/19/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	368	8,588,880	11/19/2013	Abdul-Hafiz et al.	
	369	8,600,467	12/3/2013	Al-Ali et al.	
	370	8,606,342	12/10/2013	Diab	
	371	8,615,290	12/24/2013	Lin et al.	
	372	8,626,255	1/7/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	373	8,630,691	1/14/2014	Lamego et al.	
	374	8,634,889	1/21/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	375	8,641,631	2/4/2014	Sierra et al.	
	376	8,652,060	2/18/2014	Al-Ali	
	377	8,655,004	2/18/2014	Prest et al.	

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	379	8,666,468	3/4/2014	Al-Ali	
	380	8,667,967	3/11/2014	Al- Ali et al.	
	381	8,670,811	3/11/2014	O'Reilly	
	382	8,670,814	3/11/2014	Diab et al.	
	383	8,676,286	3/18/2014	Weber et al.	
	384	8,682,407	3/25/2014	Al-Ali	
	385	8,690,799	4/8/2014	Telfort et al.	
	386	8,700,112	4/15/2014	Kiani	
	387	8,702,627	4/22/2014	Telfort et al.	
	388	8,706,179	4/22/2014	Parker	
	389	8,712,494	4/29/2014	MacNeish, III et al.	
	390	8,715,206	5/6/2014	Telfort et al.	
	391	8,718,735	5/6/2014	Lamego et al.	
	392	8,718,737	5/6/2014	Diab et al.	
	393	8,718,738	5/6/2014	Blank et al.	
	394	8,720,249	5/13/2014	Al-Ali	
	395	8,721,541	5/13/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	396	8,721,542	5/13/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	397	8,723,677	5/13/2014	Kiani	
	398	8,740,792	6/3/2014	Kiani et al.	
	399	8,754,776	6/17/2014	Poeze et al.	
	400	8,755,535	6/17/2014	Telfort et al.	
	401	8,755,856	6/17/2014	Diab et al.	
	402	8,755,872	6/17/2014	Marinow	
	403	8,760,517	6/24/2014	Sarwar et al.	
	404	8,761,850	6/24/2014	Lamego	
	405	8,764,671	7/1/2014	Kiani	
	406	8,768,423	7/1/2014	Shakespeare et al.	

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	408	8,777,634	7/15/2014	Kiani et al.	
	409	8,781,543	7/15/2014	Diab et al.	
	410	8,781,544	7/15/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	411	8,781,549	7/15/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	412	8,788,003	7/22/2014	Schurman et al.	
	413	8,790,268	7/29/2014	Al-Ali	
	414	8,801,613	8/12/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	415	8,821,397	9/2/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	416	8,821,415	9/2/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	417	8,830,449	9/9/2014	Lamego et al.	
	418	8,831,700	9/9/2014	Schurman et al.	
	419	8,840,549	9/23/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	420	8,845,543	9/30/2014	Diab et al.	
	421	8,847,740	9/30/2014	Kiani et al.	
	422	8,849,365	9/30/2014	Smith et al.	
	423	8,852,094	10/7/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	424	8,852,994	10/7/2014	Wojtczuk et al.	
	425	8,868,147	10/21/2014	Stippick et al.	
	426	8,868,150	10/21/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	427	8,870,792	10/28/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	428	8,886,271	11/11/2014	Kiani et al.	
	429	8,888,539	11/18/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	430	8,888,708	11/18/2014	Diab et al.	
	431	8,892,180	11/18/2014	Weber et al.	
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	433	8,909,310	12/9/2014	Lamego et al.	
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	438	8,922,382	12/30/2014	Al-Ali et al.	
	439	8,929,964	1/6/2015	Al-Ali et al.	
	440	8,942,777	1/27/2015	Diab et al.	
	441	8,948,834	2/3/2015	Diab et al.	
	442	8,948,835	2/3/2015	Diab	
	443	8,965,471	2/24/2015	Lamego	
	444	8,983,564	3/17/2015	Al-Ali	
	445	8,989,831	3/24/2015	Al-Ali et al.	
	446	8,996,085	3/31/2015	Kiani et al.	
	447	8,998,809	4/7/2015	Kiani	
	448	9,028,429	5/12/2015	Telfort et al.	
	449	9,037,207	5/19/2015	Al-Ali et al.	
	450	9,060,721	6/23/2015	Reichgott et al.	
	451	9,066,666	6/30/2015	Kiani	
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	454	9,072,474	7/7/2015	Al-Ali et al.	
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	456	9,081,889	7/14/2015	Ingrassia, Jr. et al.	
	457	9,084,569	7/21/2015	Weber et al.	
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	479	9,186,102	11/17/2015	Bruinsma et al.	
	480	9,192,312	11/24/2015	Al-Ali	
	481	9,192,329	11/24/2015	Al-Ali	
	482	9,192,351	11/24/2015	Telfort et al.	
	483	9,195,385	11/24/2015	Al-Ali et al.	
	484	9,210,566	12/8/2015	Ziemianska et al.	
	485	9,211,072	12/15/2015	Kiani	
	486	9,211,095	12/15/2015	Al-Ali	
	487	9,218,454	12/22/2015	Kiani et al.	
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	570	2011/0237969	9/29/2011	Eckerbom et al.	
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ADVANCED PULSE OXIMETRY SENSOR

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE TO ANY PRIORITY APPLICATIONS

[0001] The present application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 15/195,199 filed June 28, 2016, which claims priority benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) from U.S. Provisional Application No. 62/188,430, filed July 2, 2015, entitled “Advanced Pulse Oximetry Sensor,” which is incorporated by reference herein. Any and all applications for which a foreign or domestic priority claim is identified in the Application Data Sheet as filed with the present application are hereby incorporated by reference under 37 CFR 1.57.

FIELD OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0002] The present disclosure relates to the field of non-invasive optical-based physiological monitoring sensors, and more particularly to systems, devices and methods for improving the non-invasive measurement accuracy of oxygen saturation, among other physiological parameters.

BACKGROUND

[0003] Spectroscopy is a common technique for measuring the concentration of organic and some inorganic constituents of a solution. The theoretical basis of this technique is the Beer-Lambert law, which states that the concentration c_i of an absorbent in solution can be determined by the intensity of light transmitted through the solution, knowing the pathlength d_λ , the intensity of the incident light $I_{o,\lambda}$, and the extinction coefficient $\epsilon_{i,\lambda}$ at a particular wavelength λ .

[0004] In generalized form, the Beer-Lambert law is expressed as:

$$I_\lambda = I_{o,\lambda} e^{-d_\lambda \cdot \mu_{a,\lambda}} \tag{1}$$

$$\mu_{a,\lambda} = \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_{i,\lambda} \cdot c_i \tag{2}$$

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where $\mu_{\alpha,\lambda}$ is the bulk absorption coefficient and represents the probability of absorption per unit length. The minimum number of discrete wavelengths that are required to solve equations 1 and 2 is the number of significant absorbers that are present in the solution.

[0005] A practical application of this technique is pulse oximetry, which utilizes a noninvasive sensor to measure oxygen saturation and pulse rate, among other physiological parameters. Pulse oximetry relies on a sensor attached externally to the patient to output signals indicative of various physiological parameters, such as a patient's blood constituents and/or analytes, including for example a percent value for arterial oxygen saturation, among other physiological parameters. The sensor has an emitter that transmits optical radiation of one or more wavelengths into a tissue site and a detector that responds to the intensity of the optical radiation after absorption by pulsatile arterial blood flowing within the tissue site. Based upon this response, a processor determines the relative concentrations of oxygenated hemoglobin (HbO₂) and deoxygenated hemoglobin (Hb) in the blood so as to derive oxygen saturation, which can provide early detection of potentially hazardous decreases in a patient's oxygen supply.

[0006] A pulse oximetry system generally includes a patient monitor, a communications medium such as a cable, and/or a physiological sensor having one or more light emitters and a detector, such as one or more light-emitting diodes (LEDs) and a photodetector. The sensor is attached to a tissue site, such as a finger, toe, earlobe, nose, hand, foot, or other site having pulsatile blood flow which can be penetrated by light from the one or more emitters. The detector is responsive to the emitted light after attenuation or reflection by pulsatile blood flowing in the tissue site. The detector outputs a detector signal to the monitor over the communication medium. The monitor processes the signal to provide a numerical readout of physiological parameters such as oxygen saturation (SpO₂) and/or pulse rate. A pulse oximetry sensor is described in U.S. Patent No. 6,088,607 entitled *Low Noise Optical Probe*; pulse oximetry signal processing is described in U.S. Patent Nos. 6,650,917 and 6,699,194 entitled *Signal Processing Apparatus* and *Signal Processing Apparatus and Method*, respectively; a pulse oximeter monitor is

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described in U.S. Patent No. 6,584,336 entitled *Universal/Upgrading Pulse Oximeter*, all of which are assigned to Masimo Corporation, Irvine, CA, and each is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

[0007] There are many sources of measurement error introduced to pulse oximetry systems. Some such sources of error include the pulse oximetry system's electronic components, including emitters and detectors, as well as chemical and structural physiological differences between patients. Another source of measurement error is the effect of multiple scattering of photons as the photons pass through the patient's tissue (arterial blood) and arrive at the sensor's light detector.

SUMMARY

[0008] This disclosure describes embodiments of non-invasive methods, devices, and systems for measuring blood constituents, analytes, and/or substances such as, by way of non-limiting example, oxygen, carboxyhemoglobin, methemoglobin, total hemoglobin, glucose, proteins, lipids, a percentage thereof (*e.g.*, saturation), pulse rate, perfusion index, oxygen content, total hemoglobin, Oxygen Reserve Index™ (ORI™) or for measuring many other physiologically relevant patient characteristics. These characteristics can relate to, for example, pulse rate, hydration, trending information and analysis, and the like.

[0009] In an embodiment, an optical physiological measurement system includes an emitter configured to emit light of one or more wavelengths. The system also includes a diffuser configured to receive the emitted light, to spread the received light, and to emit the spread light over a larger tissue area than would otherwise be penetrated by the emitter directly emitting light at a tissue measurement site. The tissue measurement site can include, such as, for example, a finger, a wrist, or the like. The system further includes a concentrator configured to receive the spread light after it has been attenuated by or reflected from the tissue measurement site. The concentrator is also configured to collect and concentrate the received light and to emit the concentrated light to a detector. The detector is configured to detect the concentrated light and to transmit a signal indicative of the

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detected light. The system also includes a processor configured to receive the transmitted signal indicative of the detected light and to determine, based on an amount of absorption, an analyte of interest, such as, for example, arterial oxygen saturation or other parameter, in the tissue measurement site.

[0010] In certain embodiments of the present disclosure, the diffuser comprises glass, ground glass, glass beads, opal glass, or a microlens-based, band-limited, engineered diffuser that can deliver efficient and uniform illumination. In some embodiments the diffuser is further configured to define a surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto a surface of the tissue measurement site. The defined surface area shape can include, by way of non-limiting example, a shape that is substantially rectangular, square, circular, oval, or annular, among others.

[0011] According to some embodiments, the optical physiological measurement system includes an optical filter having a light-absorbing surface that faces the tissue measurement site. The optical filter also has an opening that is configured to allow the spread light, after being attenuated by the tissue measurement site, to be received by the concentrator. In an embodiment, the opening has dimensions, wherein the dimensions of the opening are similar to the defined surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto the surface of the tissue measurement site. In an embodiment, the opening has dimensions that are larger than the defined surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto the surface of the tissue measurement site. In other embodiments, the dimensions of the opening in the optical filter are not the same as the diffuser opening, but the dimensions are larger than the detector package.

[0012] In other embodiments of the present disclosure, the concentrator comprises glass, ground glass, glass beads, opal glass, or a compound parabolic concentrator. In some embodiments the concentrator comprises a cylindrical structure having a truncated circular conical structure on top. The truncated section is adjacent the detector. The light concentrator is structured to receive the emitted optical radiation, after reflection by the tissue measurement site, and to direct the reflected light to the detector.

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[0013] In accordance with certain embodiments of the present disclosure, the processor is configured to determine an average level of the light detected by the detector. The average level of light is used to determine a physiological parameter in the tissue measurement site.

[0014] According to another embodiment, a method to determine a constituent or analyte in a patient's blood is disclosed. The method includes emitting, from an emitter, light of at least one wavelength; spreading, with a diffuser, the emitted light and emitting the spread light from the diffuser to a tissue measurement site; receiving, by a concentrator, the spread light after the spread light has been attenuated by the tissue measurement site; concentrating, by the concentrator, the received light and emitting the concentrated light from the concentrator to a detector; detecting, with the detector, the emitted concentrated light; transmitting, from the detector, a signal responsive to the detected light; receiving, by a processor, the transmitted signal responsive to the detected light; and processing, by the processor, the received signal responsive to the detected light to determine a physiological parameter.

[0015] In some embodiments, the method to determine a constituent or analyte in a patient's blood includes filtering, with a light-absorbing detector filter, scattered portions of the emitted spread light. According to an embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially rectangular in shape and has outer dimensions in the range of approximately 1-5 cm in width and approximately 2-8 cm in length, and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the opening having dimensions in the range of approximately 0.25-3 cm in width and approximately 1-7 cm in length. In another embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially square in shape and has outer dimensions in the range of approximately 0.25-10 cm², and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the opening having dimensions in the range of approximately 0.1-8cm². In yet another embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially rectangular in shape and has outer dimensions of approximately 3 cm in width and approximately 6 cm in length, and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the

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opening having dimensions of approximately 1.5 cm in width and approximately 4 cm in length.

[0016] In still other embodiments of the method to determine a constituent or analyte in a patient's blood, spreading, with a diffuser, the emitted light and emitting the spread light from the diffuser to a tissue measurement site is performed by at least one of a glass diffuser, a ground glass diffuser, a glass bead diffuser, an opal glass diffuser, and an engineered diffuser. In some embodiments the emitted spread light is emitted with a substantially uniform intensity profile. And in some embodiments, emitting the spread light from the diffuser to the tissue measurement site includes spreading the emitted light so as to define a surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto a surface of the tissue measurement site.

[0017] According to yet another embodiment, a pulse oximeter is disclosed. The pulse oximeter includes an emitter configured to emit light at one or more wavelengths. The pulse oximeter also includes a diffuser configured to receive the emitted light, to spread the received light, and to emit the spread light directed at a tissue measurement sight. The pulse oximeter also includes a detector configured to detect the emitted spread light after being attenuated by or reflected from the tissue measurement site and to transmit a signal indicative of the detected light. The pulse oximeter also includes a processor configured to receive the transmitted signal and to process the received signal to determine an average absorbance of a blood constituent or analyte in the tissue measurement site over a larger measurement site area than can be performed with a point light source or point detector. In some embodiments, the diffuser is further configured to define a surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto a surface of the tissue measurement site, and the detector is further configured to have a detection area corresponding to the defined surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto the surface of the tissue measurement site. According to some embodiments, the detector comprises an array of detectors configured to cover the detection area. In still other embodiments, the processor is further configured to determine an average of the detected light.

[0018] For purposes of summarizing, certain aspects, advantages and novel features of the disclosure have been described herein. It is to be understood that not necessarily all such advantages can be achieved in accordance with any particular embodiment of the systems, devices and/or methods disclosed herein. Thus, the subject matter of the disclosure herein can be embodied or carried out in a manner that achieves or optimizes one advantage or group of advantages as taught herein without necessarily achieving other advantages as can be taught or suggested herein.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0019] Throughout the drawings, reference numbers can be re-used to indicate correspondence between referenced elements. The drawings are provided to illustrate embodiments of the disclosure described herein and not to limit the scope thereof.

[0020] FIG. 1 illustrates a conventional approach to ~~[[2D]]-two-dimensional~~ pulse oximetry in which the emitter is configured to emit optical radiation as a point optical source.

[0021] FIG. 2 illustrates the disclosed ~~[[3D]]-three-dimensional~~ approach to pulse oximetry in which the emitted light irradiates a substantially larger volume of tissue as compared to the point source approach described with respect to FIG. 2A ~~FIG. 1~~.

[0022] FIG. 3 illustrates schematically a side view of a ~~[[3D]]-three-dimensional~~ pulse oximetry sensor according to an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0023] FIG. 4A is a top view of a portion of a ~~[[3D]]-three-dimensional~~ pulse oximetry sensor according to an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0024] FIG. 4B illustrates the top view of a portion of the ~~[[3D]]-three-dimensional~~ pulse oximetry sensor shown in FIG. 4A, with the addition of a tissue measurement site in operational position.

[0025] FIG. 5 illustrates a top view of a ~~[[3D]]-three-dimensional~~ pulse oximetry sensor according to an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0026] FIG. 6 illustrates a conventional [[2D]]-two-dimensional approach to reflective pulse oximetry in which the emitter is configured to emit optical radiation as a point optical source.

[0027] FIG. 7A is a simplified schematic side view illustration of a reflective [[3D]]-three-dimensional pulse oximetry sensor according to an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0028] FIG. 7B is a simplified schematic top view illustration of the [[3D]] three-dimensional reflective pulse oximetry sensor of FIG. 7A.

[0029] FIG. 8 illustrates a block diagram of an example pulse oximetry system capable of noninvasively measuring one or more blood analytes in a monitored patient, according to an embodiment of the disclosure.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[0030] FIG. 1 illustrates schematically a conventional pulse oximetry sensor having a two-dimensional (2D) approach to pulse oximetry. As illustrated, the emitter 104 is configured to emit optical radiation as a point optical source, *i.e.*, an optical radiation source that has negligible dimensions such that it may be considered as a point. This approach is referred to herein as “two-dimensional” pulse oximetry because it applies a two-dimensional analytical model to the three-dimensional space of the tissue measurement site 102 of the patient. Point optical sources feature a defined, freely selectable, and homogeneous light beam area. Light beams emitted from LED point sources often exhibit a strong focus which can produce a usually sharply-defined and evenly-lit illuminated spot often with high intensity dynamics. Illustratively, when looking at the surface of the tissue measurement site 102 (or “sample tissue”), which in this example is a finger, a small point-like surface area of tissue 204 is irradiated by a point optical source. In some embodiments, the irradiated circular area of the point optical source is in the range between 8 and 150 microns. Illustratively, the emitted point optical source of light enters the tissue measurement site 102 as a point of light. As the light penetrates the depth of the tissue 102, it does so as a line or vector, representing a

two-dimensional construct within a three-dimensional structure, namely the patient's tissue 102.

[0031] Use of a point optical source is believed to reduce variability in light pathlength which would lead to more accurate oximetry measurements. However, in practice, photons do not travel in straight paths. Instead, the light particles scatter, bouncing around between various irregular objects (such as, for example, red blood cells) in the patient's blood. Accordingly, photon pathlengths vary depending on, among other things, their particular journeys through and around the tissue at the measurement site 102. This phenomenon is referred to as "multiple scattering." In a study, the effects of multiple scattering were examined by comparing the results of photon diffusion analysis with those obtained using an analysis based on the Beer-Lambert law, which neglects multiple scattering in the determination of light pathlength. The study found that that the difference between the average lengths of the paths traveled by red and infrared photons makes the oximeter's calibration curve (based on measurements obtained from normal subjects) sensitive to the total attenuation coefficients of the tissue in the two wavelength bands used for pulse oximetry, as well as to absorption by the pulsating arterial blood.

[0032] FIG. 2 illustrates schematically the disclosed systems, devices, and methods to implement three-dimensional (3D) pulse oximetry in which the emitted light irradiates a larger volume of tissue at the measurement site 102 as compared to the 2D point optical source approach described with respect to FIG. 1. In an embodiment, again looking at the surface of the tissue measurement site 102, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is substantially rectangular in shape with dimensions in the range of approximately 0.25-3 cm in width and approximately 1-6 cm in length. In another embodiment, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is substantially rectangular in shape and has dimensions of approximately 1.5 cm in width and approximately 2 cm in length. In another embodiment, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is substantially rectangular in shape and has dimensions of approximately 0.5 cm in width and approximately 1 cm in length. In another embodiment, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is substantially rectangular in shape

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has dimensions of approximately 1 cm in width and approximately 1.5 cm in length. In yet another embodiment, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is substantially square in shape and has dimensions in a range of approximately 0.25-9 cm². In certain embodiments, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is within a range of approximately 0.5-2 cm in width, and approximately 1-4 cm in length. Of course a skilled artisan will appreciate that many other shapes and dimensions of irradiated surface area 206 can be used. Advantageously, by irradiating the tissue measurement site 102 with a surface area 206, the presently disclosed systems, devices, and methods apply a three-dimensional analytical model to the three-dimensional structure being measured, namely, the patient's sample tissue 102.

[0033] According to the Beer-Lambert law, the amount of light absorbed by a substance is proportional to the concentration of the light-absorbing substance in the irradiated solution (*i.e.*, arterial blood). Advantageously, by irradiating a larger volume of tissue 102, a larger sample size of light attenuated (or reflected) by the tissue 102 is measured. The larger, 3D sample provides a data set that is more representative of the complete interaction of the emitted light as it passes through the patient's blood as compared to the 2D point source approach described above with respect to FIG. 1. By taking an average of the detected light, as detected over a surface area substantially larger than a single point, the disclosed pulse oximetry systems, devices, and methods will yield a more accurate measurement of the emitted light absorbed by the tissue, which will lead to a more accurate oxygen saturation measurement.

[0034] FIG. 3 illustrates schematically a side view of a pulse oximetry 3D sensor 300 according to an embodiment of the present disclosure. In the illustrated embodiment, the 3D sensor 300 irradiates the tissue measurement site 102 and detects the emitted light, after being attenuated by the tissue measurement site 102. In other embodiments, for example, as describe below with respect to FIGS. 7A and 7B, the 3D sensor 300 can be arranged to detect light that is reflected by the tissue measurement site 102. The 3D sensor 300 includes an emitter 302, a light diffuser 304, a light-absorbing detector filter 306, a light concentrator 308, and a detector

310. In some optional embodiments, the 3D sensor 300 further includes a reflector 305. The reflector 305 can be a metallic reflector or other type of reflector. Reflector 305 can be a coating, film, layer or other type of reflector. The reflector 305 can serve as a reflector to prevent emitted light from emitting out of a top portion of the light diffuser 304 such that light from the emitter 302 is directed in the tissue rather than escaping out of a side or top of the light diffuser 304. Additionally, the reflector 305 can prevent ambient light from entering the diffuser 304 which might ultimately cause errors within the detected light. The reflector 305 also prevent light piping that might occur if light from the detector 302 is able to escape from the light diffuser 304 and be piped around a sensor securement mechanism to detector 310 without passing through the patient's tissue 102.

[0035] The emitter 302 can serve as the source of optical radiation transmitted towards the tissue measurement site 102. The emitter 302 can include one or more sources of optical radiation, such as LEDs, laser diodes, incandescent bulbs with appropriate frequency-selective filters, combinations of the same, or the like. In an embodiment, the emitter 302 includes sets of optical sources that are capable of emitting visible and near-infrared optical radiation. In some embodiments, the emitter 302 transmits optical radiation of red and infrared wavelengths, at approximately 650 nm and approximately 940 nm, respectively. In some embodiments, the emitter 302 includes a single source optical radiation.

[0036] The light diffuser 304 receives the optical radiation emitted from the emitter 302 and spreads the optical radiation over an area, such as the area 206 depicted in FIG. 2. In some embodiments, the light diffuser 304 is a beam shaper that can homogenize the input light beam from the emitter 302, shape the output intensity profile of the received light, and define the way (*e.g.*, the shape or pattern) the emitted light is distributed to the tissue measurement site 102. Examples of materials that can be used to realize the light diffuser 304 include, without limitation, a white surface, glass, ground glass, glass beads, polytetrafluoroethylene (also known as Teflon®, opal glass, and greyed glass, to name a few. Additionally, engineered diffusers can be used to realize the diffuser 304 by providing customized light shaping with respect to intensity and distribution. Such diffusers can, for

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example, deliver substantially uniform illumination over a specified target area (such as, for example, irradiated surface area 206) in an energy-efficient manner. Examples of engineered diffusers can include molded plastics with specific shapes, patterns or textures designed to diffuse the emitter light across the entirety of the patient's tissue surface.

[0037] Advantageously, the diffuser 304 can receive emitted light in the form of a point optical source and spread the light to fit a desired surface area on a plane defined by the surface of the tissue measurement site 102. In an embodiment, the diffuser 304 is made of ground glass which spreads the emitted light with a Gaussian intensity profile. In another embodiment the diffuser 304 includes glass beads. In some embodiments, the diffuser 304 is constructed so as to diffuse the emitted light in a Lambertian pattern. A Lambertian pattern is one in which the radiation intensity is substantially constant throughout the area of dispersion. One such diffuser 304 is made from opal glass. Opal glass is similar to ground glass, but has one surface coated with a milky white coating to diffuse light evenly. In an embodiment, the diffuser 304 is capable of distributing the emitted light on the surface of a plane (*e.g.*, the surface of the tissue measurement site 102) in a predefined geometry (*e.g.*, a rectangle, square, or circle), and with a substantially uniform intensity profile and energy distribution. In some embodiments, the efficiency, or the amount of light transmitted by the diffuser 304, is greater than 70% of the light emitted by the emitter 302. In some embodiments, the efficiency is greater than 90% of the emitted light. Other optical elements known in the art may be used for the diffuser 304.

[0038] In an embodiment, the diffuser 304 has a substantially rectangular shape having dimensions within a range of approximately 0.5-2 cm in width and approximately 1-4 centimeters in length. In another embodiment, the substantially rectangular shape of the diffuser 304 has dimensions of approximately 0.5 cm in width and approximately 1 cm in length. In another embodiment, the diffuser's 304 substantially rectangular shape has dimensions of approximately 1 cm in width and approximately 1.5 cm in length. In yet another embodiment, the diffuser 304 has a

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substantially square shape with dimensions in the range of approximately 0.25-10 cm².

[0039] The light-absorbing detector filter 306, which is also depicted in FIG. 4A in a top view, is a planar surface having an opening 402 through which the emitted light may pass after being attenuated by the tissue measurement site 102. In the depicted embodiment, the opening 402 is rectangular-shaped, with dimensions substantially similar to the irradiated surface area 206. According to an embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially rectangular in shape and has outer dimensions of 4 cm in width and 8 cm in length, and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the opening having dimensions of 2 cm in width and 5 cm in length. In another embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially rectangular in shape and has outer dimensions in the range of 1-3 cm in width and 2-8 cm in length, and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the opening having dimensions in the range of 0.25-2 cm in width and 1-4 cm in length. In yet another embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially rectangular in shape and has outer dimensions of 3 cm in width and 6 cm in length, and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the opening having dimensions of 1.5 cm in width and 4 cm in length.

[0040] The top surface of the light-absorbing filter 306 (facing the tissue measurement site 102 and the emitter 302) is coated with a material that absorbs light, such as, for example, black pigment. Many other types of light-absorbing materials are well known in the art and can be used with the detector filter 306. During operation, light emitted from the emitter 302 can reflect off of the tissue measurement site 102 (or other structures within the 3D sensor 300) to neighboring portions of the 3D sensor 300. If those neighboring portions of the 3D sensor 300 possess reflective surfaces, then the light can reflect back to the tissue measurement site 102, progress through the tissue and arrive at the detector 310. Such multiple scattering can result in detecting photons whose pathlengths are considerably longer than most of the light that is detected, thereby introducing variations in pathlength which will affect the accuracy of the measurements of the pulse oximetry 3D sensor 300. Advantageously, the light-absorbing filter 306

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reduces or eliminates the amount of emitted light that is reflected in this manner because it absorbs such reflected light, thereby stopping the chain of scattering events. In certain embodiments, the sensor-facing surfaces of other portions of the 3D sensor 300 are covered in light-absorbing material to further decrease the effect of reflective multiple scattering.

[0041] The light concentrator 308 is a structure to receive the emitted optical radiation, after attenuation by the tissue measurement site 102, to collect and concentrate the dispersed optical radiation, and to direct the collected and concentrated optical radiation to the detector 310. In an embodiment, the light concentrator 308 is made of ground glass or glass beads. In some embodiments, the light concentrator 308 includes a compound parabolic concentrator.

[0042] As described above with respect to FIG. 1, the detector 310 captures and measures light from the tissue measurement site 102. For example, the detector 310 can capture and measure light transmitted from the emitter 302 that has been attenuated by the tissue in the measurement site 102. The detector 310 can output a detector signal responsive to the light captured or measured. The detector 310 can be implemented using one or more photodiodes, phototransistors, or the like. In addition, a plurality of detectors 310 can be arranged in an array with a spatial configuration corresponding to the irradiated surface area 206 to capture the attenuated or reflected light from the tissue measurement site.

[0043] Referring to FIG. 4A, a top view of a portion of the 3D sensor 300 is provided. The light-absorbing detector filter 306 is illustrated having a top surface coated with a light-absorbing material. The light-absorbing material can be a black opaque material or coating or any other dark color or coating configured to absorb light. Additionally, a rectangular opening 402 is positioned relative to the light concentrator 308 (shown in phantom) and the detector 310 such that light may pass through the rectangular opening 402, into the light concentrator 308, and to the detector 310. FIG. 4B illustrates the top view of a portion of the 3D sensor 300 as in FIG. 4A, with the addition of the tissue measurement site 102 in operational position. Accordingly, the rectangular opening 402, the light concentrator 308 and the detector 310 are shown in phantom as being under the tissue measurement site

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102. In FIGS. 4A and 4B, the light concentrator 308 is shown to have dimensions significantly larger than the dimensions of the rectangular opening 402. In other embodiments, the dimensions of the light concentrator 308, the rectangular opening 402, and the irradiated surface area 206 are substantially similar.

[0044] FIG. 5 illustrates a top view of a 3D pulse oximetry sensor 500 according to an embodiment of the present disclosure. The 3D sensor 500 is configured to be worn on a patient's finger 102. The 3D sensor 500 includes an adhesive substrate 502 having front flaps 504 and rear flaps 506 extending outward from a center portion 508 of the 3D sensor 500. The center portion 508 includes components of the 3D pulse oximetry sensor 300 described with respect to FIGS. 3, 4A and 4B. On the front side of the adhesive substrate 502 the emitter 302 and the light diffuser 304 are positioned. On the rear side of the adhesive substrate 502 the light-absorbent detector filter 306, the light concentrator 308 and the detector 310 are positioned. In use, the patient's finger serving as the tissue measurement site 102 is positioned over the rectangular opening 402 such that when the front portion of the adhesive substrate is folded over on top of the patient's finger 102, the emitter 302 and the light diffuser 304 are aligned with the measurement site 102, the filter 306, the light concentrator 308 and the detector 310. Once alignment is established, the front and rear flaps 504, 506 can be wrapped around the finger measurement site 102 such that the adhesive substrate 502 provides a secure contact between the patient's skin and the 3D sensor 500. Fig. 5 also illustrates an example of a sensor connector cable 510 which is used to connect the 3D sensor 500 to a monitor 809, as described with respect to FIG. 8.

[0045] FIG. 6 is a simplified schematic illustration of a conventional, 2D approach to reflective pulse oximetry in which the emitter is configured to emit optical radiation as a point optical source. Reflective pulse oximetry is a method by which the emitter and detector are located on the same side of the tissue measurement site 102. Light is emitted into a tissue measurement site 102 and attenuated. The emitted light passes into the tissue 102 and is then reflected back to the same side of the tissue measurement site 102 as the emitter. As illustrated in FIG. 6, a depicted reflective 2D pulse oximetry sensor 600 includes an emitter 602,

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a light block 606, and a detector 610. The light block 606 is necessary because the emitter 602 and the detector 610 are located on the same side of the tissue measurement site 102. Accordingly, the light block 606 prevents incident emitter light, which did not enter the tissue measurement site 102, from arriving at the detector 610. The depicted 2D pulse oximetry sensor 600 is configured to emit light as a point source. As depicted in FIG. 6, a simplified illustration of the light path 620 of the emitted light from the emitter 602, through the tissue measurement site 102, and to the detector 610 is provided. Notably, a point source of light is emitted, and a point source of light is detected. As discussed above with respect to FIG. 1, use of a point optical source can result in substantial measurement error due to pathlength variability resulting from the multiple scatter phenomenon. The sample space provided by a 2D point optical emitter source is not large enough to account for pathlength variability, which will skew measurement results.

[0046] FIGS. 7A and 7B are simplified schematic side and top views, respectively, of a 3D reflective pulse oximetry sensor 700 according to an embodiment of the present disclosure. In the illustrated embodiment, the 3D sensor 700 irradiates the tissue measurement site 102 and detects the emitted light that is reflected by the tissue measurement site 102. The 3D sensor 700 can be placed on a portion of the patient's body that has relatively flat surface, such as, for example a wrist, because the emitter 702 and detector 710 are on located the same side of the tissue measurement site 102. The 3D sensor 700 includes an emitter 702, a light diffuser 704, a light block 706, a light concentrator 708, and a detector 710.

[0047] As previously described, the emitter 702 can serve as the source of optical radiation transmitted towards the tissue measurement site 102. The emitter 702 can include one or more sources of optical radiation. Such sources of optical radiation can include LEDs, laser diodes, incandescent bulbs with appropriate frequency-selective filters, combinations of the same, or the like. In an embodiment, the emitter 702 includes sets of optical sources that are capable of emitting visible and near-infrared optical radiation. In some embodiments, the emitter 702 transmits optical radiation of red and infrared wavelengths, at approximately 650 nm and

approximately 940 nm, respectively. In some embodiments, the emitter 702 includes a single source of optical radiation.

[0048] The light diffuser 704 receives the optical radiation emitted from the emitter 302 and homogenously spreads the optical radiation over a wide, donut-shaped area, such as the area outlined by the light diffuser 704 as depicted in FIG. 7B. Advantageously, the diffuser 704 can receive emitted light in the form of a 2D point optical source (or any other form) and spread the light to fit the desired surface area on a plane defined by the surface of the tissue measurement site 102. In an embodiment, the diffuser 704 is made of ground glass or glass beads. A skilled artisan will understand that many other materials can be used to make the light diffuser 704.

[0049] The light blocker 706 includes an annular ring having a cover portion 707 sized and shaped to form a light isolation chamber for the light concentrator 708 and the detector 710. (For purposes of illustration, the light block cover 707 is not illustrated in FIG. 7B.) The light blocker 706 and the cover 707 can be made of any material that optically isolates the light concentrator 708 and the detector 710. The light isolation chamber formed by the light blocker 706 and cover 708 ensures that the only light detected by the detector 710 is light that is reflected from the tissue measurement site.

[0050] The light concentrator 708 is a cylindrical structure with a truncated circular conical structure on top, the truncated section of which is adjacent the detector 710. The light concentrator 708 is structured to receive the emitted optical radiation, after reflection by the tissue measurement site 102, and to direct the reflected light to the detector 710. In an embodiment, the light concentrator 708 is made of ground glass or glass beads. In some embodiments, the light concentrator 708 includes a compound parabolic concentrator.

[0051] As previously described, the detector 710 captures and measures light from the tissue measurement site 102. For example, the detector 710 can capture and measure light transmitted from the emitter 702 that has been reflected from the tissue in the measurement site 102. The detector 710 can output a detector signal responsive to the light captured or measured. The detector 710 can be

implemented using one or more photodiodes, phototransistors, or the like. In addition, a plurality of detectors 710 can be arranged in an array with a spatial configuration corresponding to the irradiated surface area depicted in FIG. 7B by the light concentrator 708 to capture the reflected light from the tissue measurement site.

[0052] Advantageously, the light path 720 illustrated in FIG. 7A depicts a substantial sample of reflected light that enter the light isolation chamber formed by the light blocker 706 and cover 707. As previously discussed, the large sample of reflected light (as compared to the reflected light collected using the 2D point optical source approach) provides the opportunity to take an average of the detected light, to derive a more accurate measurement of the emitted light absorbed by the tissue, which will lead to a more accurate oxygen saturation measurement.

[0053] Referring now to FIG. 7B, a top view of the 3D sensor 700 is illustrated with both the emitter 702 and the light blocker cover 707 removed for ease of illustration. The outer ring illustrates the footprint of the light diffuser 704. As light is emitted from the emitter 702 (not shown in FIG. 7B), it is diffused homogenously and directed to the tissue measurement site 102. The light blocker 706 forms the circular wall of a light isolation chamber to keep incident light from being sensed by the detector 710. The light blocker cover 707 blocks incidental light from entering the light isolation chamber from above. The light concentrator 710 collects the reflected light from the tissue measurement site 102 and funnels it upward toward the detector 710 at the center of the 3D sensor 700.

[0054] FIG. 8 illustrates an example of an optical physiological measurement system 800, which may also be referred to herein as a pulse oximetry system 800. In certain embodiments, the pulse oximetry system 800 noninvasively measures a blood analyte, such as oxygen, carboxyhemoglobin, methemoglobin, total hemoglobin, glucose, proteins, lipids, a percentage thereof (*e.g.*, saturation), pulse rate, perfusion index, oxygen content, total hemoglobin, Oxygen Reserve Index™ (ORI™) or many other physiologically relevant patient characteristics. These characteristics can relate to, for example, pulse rate, hydration, trending information and analysis, and the like. The system 800 can also measure additional blood

analytes and/or other physiological parameters useful in determining a state or trend of wellness of a patient.

[0055] The pulse oximetry system 800 can measure analyte concentrations at least in part by detecting optical radiation attenuated by tissue at a measurement site 102. The measurement site 102 can be any location on a patient's body, such as a finger, foot, earlobe, wrist, forehead, or the like.

[0056] The pulse oximetry system 800 can include a sensor 801 (or multiple sensors) that is coupled to a processing device or physiological monitor 809. In an embodiment, the sensor 801 and the monitor 809 are integrated together into a single unit. In another embodiment, the sensor 801 and the monitor 809 are separate from each other and communicate with one another in any suitable manner, such as via a wired or wireless connection. The sensor 801 and monitor 809 can be attachable and detachable from each other for the convenience of the user or caregiver, for ease of storage, sterility issues, or the like.

[0057] In the depicted embodiment shown in FIG. 8, the sensor 801 includes an emitter 804, a detector 806, and a front-end interface 808. The emitter 804 can serve as the source of optical radiation transmitted towards measurement site 102. The emitter 804 can include one or more sources of optical radiation, such as light emitting diodes (LEDs), laser diodes, incandescent bulbs with appropriate frequency-selective filters, combinations of the same, or the like. In an embodiment, the emitter 804 includes sets of optical sources that are capable of emitting visible and near-infrared optical radiation.

[0058] The pulse oximetry system 800 also includes a driver 811 that drives the emitter 804. The driver 811 can be a circuit or the like that is controlled by the monitor 809. For example, the driver 811 can provide pulses of current to the emitter 804. In an embodiment, the driver 811 drives the emitter 804 in a progressive fashion, such as in an alternating manner. The driver 811 can drive the emitter 804 with a series of pulses for some wavelengths that can penetrate tissue relatively well and for other wavelengths that tend to be significantly absorbed in tissue. A wide variety of other driving powers and driving methodologies can be used in various embodiments. The driver 811 can be synchronized with other parts

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of the sensor 801 to minimize or reduce jitter in the timing of pulses of optical radiation emitted from the emitter 804. In some embodiments, the driver 811 is capable of driving the emitter 804 to emit optical radiation in a pattern that varies by less than about 10 parts-per-million.

[0059] The detector 806 captures and measures light from the tissue measurement site 102. For example, the detector 806 can capture and measure light transmitted from the emitter 804 that has been attenuated or reflected from the tissue at the measurement site 102. The detector 806 can output a detector signal 107 responsive to the light captured and measured. The detector 806 can be implemented using one or more photodiodes, phototransistors, or the like. In some embodiments, a detector 806 is implemented in detector package to capture and measure light from the tissue measurement site 102 of the patient. The detector package can include a photodiode chip mounted to leads and enclosed in an encapsulant. In some embodiments, the dimensions of the detector package are approximately 2 square centimeters. In other embodiments, the dimensions of the detector package are approximately 1.5 centimeters in width and approximately 2 centimeters in length.

[0060] The front-end interface 808 provides an interface that adapts the output of the detectors 806, which is responsive to desired physiological parameters. For example, the front-end interface 808 can adapt the signal 807 received from the detector 806 into a form that can be processed by the monitor 809, for example, by a signal processor 810 in the monitor 809. The front-end interface 808 can have its components assembled in the sensor 801, in the monitor 809, in a connecting cabling (if used), in combinations of the same, or the like. The location of the front-end interface 808 can be chosen based on various factors including space desired for components, desired noise reductions or limits, desired heat reductions or limits, and the like.

[0061] The front-end interface 808 can be coupled to the detector 806 and to the signal processor 810 using a bus, wire, electrical or optical cable, flex circuit, or some other form of signal connection. The front-end interface 808 can also be at least partially integrated with various components, such as the detectors 806. For

example, the front-end interface 808 can include one or more integrated circuits that are on the same circuit board as the detector 806. Other configurations can also be used.

[0062] As shown in FIG. 8, the monitor 909 can include the signal processor 810 and a user interface, such as a display 812. The monitor 809 can also include optional outputs alone or in combination with the display 812, such as a storage device 814 and a network interface 816. In an embodiment, the signal processor 810 includes processing logic that determines measurements for desired analytes based on the signals received from the detector 806. The signal processor 810 can be implemented using one or more microprocessors or sub-processors (*e.g.*, cores), digital signal processors, application specific integrated circuits (ASICs), field programmable gate arrays (FPGAs), combinations of the same, and the like.

[0063] The signal processor 810 can provide various signals that control the operation of the sensor 801. For example, the signal processor 810 can provide an emitter control signal to the driver 811. This control signal can be useful in order to synchronize, minimize, or reduce jitter in the timing of pulses emitted from the emitter 804. Accordingly, this control signal can be useful in order to cause optical radiation pulses emitted from the emitter 804 to follow a precise timing and consistent pattern. For example, when a transimpedance-based front-end interface 808 is used, the control signal from the signal processor 810 can provide synchronization with an analog-to-digital converter (ADC) in order to avoid aliasing, cross-talk, and the like. As also shown, an optional memory 813 can be included in the front-end interface 808 and/or in the signal processor 810. This memory 813 can serve as a buffer or storage location for the front-end interface 808 and/or the signal processor 810, among other uses.

[0064] The user interface 812 can provide an output, *e.g.*, on a display, for presentation to a user of the pulse oximetry system 800. The user interface 812 can be implemented as a touch-screen display, a liquid crystal display (LCD), an organic LED display, or the like. In alternative embodiments, the pulse oximetry system 800

can be provided without a user interface 812 and can simply provide an output signal to a separate display or system.

[0065] The storage device 814 and a network interface 816 represent other optional output connections that can be included in the monitor 809. The storage device 814 can include any computer-readable medium, such as a memory device, hard disk storage, EEPROM, flash drive, or the like. The various software and/or firmware applications can be stored in the storage device 814, which can be executed by the signal processor 810 or another processor of the monitor 809. The network interface 816 can be a serial bus port (RS-232/RS-485), a Universal Serial Bus (USB) port, an Ethernet port, a wireless interface (*e.g.*, WiFi such as any 802.1x interface, including an internal wireless card), or other suitable communication device(s) that allows the monitor 809 to communicate and share data with other devices. The monitor 809 can also include various other components not shown, such as a microprocessor, graphics processor, or controller to output the user interface 812, to control data communications, to compute data trending, or to perform other operations.

[0066] Although not shown in the depicted embodiment, the pulse oximetry system 800 can include various other components or can be configured in different ways. For example, the sensor 801 can have both the emitter 804 and detector 806 on the same side of the tissue measurement site 102 and use reflectance to measure analytes.

[0067] Although the foregoing disclosure has been described in terms of certain preferred embodiments, many other variations than those described herein will be apparent to those of ordinary skill in the art.

[0068] Conditional language used herein, such as, among others, "can," "might," "may," "*e.g.*," and the like, unless specifically stated otherwise, or otherwise understood within the context as used, is generally intended to convey that certain embodiments include, while other embodiments do not include, certain features, elements and/or states. Thus, such conditional language is not generally intended to imply that features, elements and/or states are in any way required for one or more embodiments or that one or more embodiments necessarily include logic for

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deciding, with or without author input or prompting, whether these features, elements and/or states are included or are to be performed in any particular embodiment. The terms "comprising," "including," "having," and the like are synonymous and are used inclusively, in an open-ended fashion, and do not exclude additional elements, features, acts, operations, and so forth. Also, the term "or" is used in its inclusive sense (and not in its exclusive sense) so that when used, for example, to connect a list of elements, the term "or" means one, some, or all of the elements in the list. Further, the term "each," as used herein, in addition to having its ordinary meaning, can mean any subset of a set of elements to which the term "each" is applied.

[0069] While the above detailed description has shown, described, and pointed out novel features as applied to various embodiments, it will be understood that various omissions, substitutions, and changes in the form and details of the systems, devices or algorithms illustrated can be made without departing from the spirit of the disclosure. As will be recognized, certain embodiments of the disclosure described herein can be embodied within a form that does not provide all of the features and benefits set forth herein, as some features can be used or practiced separately from others.

[0070] The term "and/or" herein has its broadest, least limiting meaning which is the disclosure includes A alone, B alone, both A and B together, or A or B alternatively, but does not require both A and B or require one of A or one of B. As used herein, the phrase "at least one of" A, B, "and" C should be construed to mean a logical A or B or C, using a non-exclusive logical or.

[0071] The apparatuses and methods described herein may be implemented by one or more computer programs executed by one or more processors. The computer programs include processor-executable instructions that are stored on a non-transitory tangible computer readable medium. The computer programs may also include stored data. Non-limiting examples of the non-transitory tangible computer readable medium are nonvolatile memory, magnetic storage, and optical storage. Although the foregoing disclosure has been described in terms of certain preferred embodiments, other embodiments will be apparent to those of

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ordinary skill in the art from the disclosure herein. Additionally, other combinations, omissions, substitutions and modifications will be apparent to the skilled artisan in view of the disclosure herein. Accordingly, the present invention is not intended to be limited by the description of the preferred embodiments, but is to be defined by reference to claims.

[0072] Additionally, all publications, patents, and patent applications mentioned in this specification are herein incorporated by reference to the same extent as if each individual publication, patent, or patent application were specifically and individually indicated to be incorporated by reference.

ADVANCED PULSE OXIMETRY SENSOR

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE TO ANY PRIORITY APPLICATIONS

[0001] The present application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 15/195,199 filed June 28, 2016, which claims priority benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) from U.S. Provisional Application No. 62/188,430, filed July 2, 2015, entitled “Advanced Pulse Oximetry Sensor,” which is incorporated by reference herein. Any and all applications for which a foreign or domestic priority claim is identified in the Application Data Sheet as filed with the present application are hereby incorporated by reference under 37 CFR 1.57.

FIELD OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0002] The present disclosure relates to the field of non-invasive optical-based physiological monitoring sensors, and more particularly to systems, devices and methods for improving the non-invasive measurement accuracy of oxygen saturation, among other physiological parameters.

BACKGROUND

[0003] Spectroscopy is a common technique for measuring the concentration of organic and some inorganic constituents of a solution. The theoretical basis of this technique is the Beer-Lambert law, which states that the concentration c_i of an absorbent in solution can be determined by the intensity of light transmitted through the solution, knowing the pathlength d_λ , the intensity of the incident light $I_{o,\lambda}$, and the extinction coefficient $\epsilon_{i,\lambda}$ at a particular wavelength λ .

[0004] In generalized form, the Beer-Lambert law is expressed as:

$$I_\lambda = I_{o,\lambda} e^{-d_\lambda \cdot \mu_{a,\lambda}} \tag{1}$$

$$\mu_{a,\lambda} = \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_{i,\lambda} \cdot c_i \tag{2}$$

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where $\mu_{\alpha,\lambda}$ is the bulk absorption coefficient and represents the probability of absorption per unit length. The minimum number of discrete wavelengths that are required to solve equations 1 and 2 is the number of significant absorbers that are present in the solution.

[0005] A practical application of this technique is pulse oximetry, which utilizes a noninvasive sensor to measure oxygen saturation and pulse rate, among other physiological parameters. Pulse oximetry relies on a sensor attached externally to the patient to output signals indicative of various physiological parameters, such as a patient's blood constituents and/or analytes, including for example a percent value for arterial oxygen saturation, among other physiological parameters. The sensor has an emitter that transmits optical radiation of one or more wavelengths into a tissue site and a detector that responds to the intensity of the optical radiation after absorption by pulsatile arterial blood flowing within the tissue site. Based upon this response, a processor determines the relative concentrations of oxygenated hemoglobin (HbO₂) and deoxygenated hemoglobin (Hb) in the blood so as to derive oxygen saturation, which can provide early detection of potentially hazardous decreases in a patient's oxygen supply.

[0006] A pulse oximetry system generally includes a patient monitor, a communications medium such as a cable, and/or a physiological sensor having one or more light emitters and a detector, such as one or more light-emitting diodes (LEDs) and a photodetector. The sensor is attached to a tissue site, such as a finger, toe, earlobe, nose, hand, foot, or other site having pulsatile blood flow which can be penetrated by light from the one or more emitters. The detector is responsive to the emitted light after attenuation or reflection by pulsatile blood flowing in the tissue site. The detector outputs a detector signal to the monitor over the communication medium. The monitor processes the signal to provide a numerical readout of physiological parameters such as oxygen saturation (SpO₂) and/or pulse rate. A pulse oximetry sensor is described in U.S. Patent No. 6,088,607 entitled *Low Noise Optical Probe*; pulse oximetry signal processing is described in U.S. Patent Nos. 6,650,917 and 6,699,194 entitled *Signal Processing Apparatus* and *Signal Processing Apparatus and Method*, respectively; a pulse oximeter monitor is

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described in U.S. Patent No. 6,584,336 entitled *Universal/Upgrading Pulse Oximeter*, all of which are assigned to Masimo Corporation, Irvine, CA, and each is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

[0007] There are many sources of measurement error introduced to pulse oximetry systems. Some such sources of error include the pulse oximetry system's electronic components, including emitters and detectors, as well as chemical and structural physiological differences between patients. Another source of measurement error is the effect of multiple scattering of photons as the photons pass through the patient's tissue (arterial blood) and arrive at the sensor's light detector.

SUMMARY

[0008] This disclosure describes embodiments of non-invasive methods, devices, and systems for measuring blood constituents, analytes, and/or substances such as, by way of non-limiting example, oxygen, carboxyhemoglobin, methemoglobin, total hemoglobin, glucose, proteins, lipids, a percentage thereof (*e.g.*, saturation), pulse rate, perfusion index, oxygen content, total hemoglobin, Oxygen Reserve Index™ (ORI™) or for measuring many other physiologically relevant patient characteristics. These characteristics can relate to, for example, pulse rate, hydration, trending information and analysis, and the like.

[0009] In an embodiment, an optical physiological measurement system includes an emitter configured to emit light of one or more wavelengths. The system also includes a diffuser configured to receive the emitted light, to spread the received light, and to emit the spread light over a larger tissue area than would otherwise be penetrated by the emitter directly emitting light at a tissue measurement site. The tissue measurement site can include, such as, for example, a finger, a wrist, or the like. The system further includes a concentrator configured to receive the spread light after it has been attenuated by or reflected from the tissue measurement site. The concentrator is also configured to collect and concentrate the received light and to emit the concentrated light to a detector. The detector is configured to detect the concentrated light and to transmit a signal indicative of the

detected light. The system also includes a processor configured to receive the transmitted signal indicative of the detected light and to determine, based on an amount of absorption, an analyte of interest, such as, for example, arterial oxygen saturation or other parameter, in the tissue measurement site.

[0010] In certain embodiments of the present disclosure, the diffuser comprises glass, ground glass, glass beads, opal glass, or a microlens-based, band-limited, engineered diffuser that can deliver efficient and uniform illumination. In some embodiments the diffuser is further configured to define a surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto a surface of the tissue measurement site. The defined surface area shape can include, by way of non-limiting example, a shape that is substantially rectangular, square, circular, oval, or annular, among others.

[0011] According to some embodiments, the optical physiological measurement system includes an optical filter having a light-absorbing surface that faces the tissue measurement site. The optical filter also has an opening that is configured to allow the spread light, after being attenuated by the tissue measurement site, to be received by the concentrator. In an embodiment, the opening has dimensions, wherein the dimensions of the opening are similar to the defined surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto the surface of the tissue measurement site. In an embodiment, the opening has dimensions that are larger than the defined surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto the surface of the tissue measurement site. In other embodiments, the dimensions of the opening in the optical filter are not the same as the diffuser opening, but the dimensions are larger than the detector package.

[0012] In other embodiments of the present disclosure, the concentrator comprises glass, ground glass, glass beads, opal glass, or a compound parabolic concentrator. In some embodiments the concentrator comprises a cylindrical structure having a truncated circular conical structure on top. The truncated section is adjacent the detector. The light concentrator is structured to receive the emitted optical radiation, after reflection by the tissue measurement site, and to direct the reflected light to the detector.

[0013] In accordance with certain embodiments of the present disclosure, the processor is configured to determine an average level of the light detected by the detector. The average level of light is used to determine a physiological parameter in the tissue measurement site.

[0014] According to another embodiment, a method to determine a constituent or analyte in a patient's blood is disclosed. The method includes emitting, from an emitter, light of at least one wavelength; spreading, with a diffuser, the emitted light and emitting the spread light from the diffuser to a tissue measurement site; receiving, by a concentrator, the spread light after the spread light has been attenuated by the tissue measurement site; concentrating, by the concentrator, the received light and emitting the concentrated light from the concentrator to a detector; detecting, with the detector, the emitted concentrated light; transmitting, from the detector, a signal responsive to the detected light; receiving, by a processor, the transmitted signal responsive to the detected light; and processing, by the processor, the received signal responsive to the detected light to determine a physiological parameter.

[0015] In some embodiments, the method to determine a constituent or analyte in a patient's blood includes filtering, with a light-absorbing detector filter, scattered portions of the emitted spread light. According to an embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially rectangular in shape and has outer dimensions in the range of approximately 1-5 cm in width and approximately 2-8 cm in length, and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the opening having dimensions in the range of approximately 0.25-3 cm in width and approximately 1-7 cm in length. In another embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially square in shape and has outer dimensions in the range of approximately 0.25-10 cm², and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the opening having dimensions in the range of approximately 0.1-8cm². In yet another embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially rectangular in shape and has outer dimensions of approximately 3 cm in width and approximately 6 cm in length, and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the

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opening having dimensions of approximately 1.5 cm in width and approximately 4 cm in length.

[0016] In still other embodiments of the method to determine a constituent or analyte in a patient's blood, spreading, with a diffuser, the emitted light and emitting the spread light from the diffuser to a tissue measurement site is performed by at least one of a glass diffuser, a ground glass diffuser, a glass bead diffuser, an opal glass diffuser, and an engineered diffuser. In some embodiments the emitted spread light is emitted with a substantially uniform intensity profile. And in some embodiments, emitting the spread light from the diffuser to the tissue measurement site includes spreading the emitted light so as to define a surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto a surface of the tissue measurement site.

[0017] According to yet another embodiment, a pulse oximeter is disclosed. The pulse oximeter includes an emitter configured to emit light at one or more wavelengths. The pulse oximeter also includes a diffuser configured to receive the emitted light, to spread the received light, and to emit the spread light directed at a tissue measurement sight. The pulse oximeter also includes a detector configured to detect the emitted spread light after being attenuated by or reflected from the tissue measurement site and to transmit a signal indicative of the detected light. The pulse oximeter also includes a processor configured to receive the transmitted signal and to process the received signal to determine an average absorbance of a blood constituent or analyte in the tissue measurement site over a larger measurement site area than can be performed with a point light source or point detector. In some embodiments, the diffuser is further configured to define a surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto a surface of the tissue measurement site, and the detector is further configured to have a detection area corresponding to the defined surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto the surface of the tissue measurement site. According to some embodiments, the detector comprises an array of detectors configured to cover the detection area. In still other embodiments, the processor is further configured to determine an average of the detected light.

[0018] For purposes of summarizing, certain aspects, advantages and novel features of the disclosure have been described herein. It is to be understood that not necessarily all such advantages can be achieved in accordance with any particular embodiment of the systems, devices and/or methods disclosed herein. Thus, the subject matter of the disclosure herein can be embodied or carried out in a manner that achieves or optimizes one advantage or group of advantages as taught herein without necessarily achieving other advantages as can be taught or suggested herein.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0019] Throughout the drawings, reference numbers can be re-used to indicate correspondence between referenced elements. The drawings are provided to illustrate embodiments of the disclosure described herein and not to limit the scope thereof.

[0020] FIG. 1 illustrates a conventional approach to two-dimensional pulse oximetry in which the emitter is configured to emit optical radiation as a point optical source.

[0021] FIG. 2 illustrates the disclosed three-dimensional approach to pulse oximetry in which the emitted light irradiates a substantially larger volume of tissue as compared to the point source approach described with respect to FIG. 1.

[0022] FIG. 3 illustrates schematically a side view of a three-dimensional pulse oximetry sensor according to an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0023] FIG. 4A is a top view of a portion of a three-dimensional pulse oximetry sensor according to an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0024] FIG. 4B illustrates the top view of a portion of the three-dimensional pulse oximetry sensor shown in FIG. 4A, with the addition of a tissue measurement site in operational position.

[0025] FIG. 5 illustrates a top view of a three-dimensional pulse oximetry sensor according to an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0026] FIG. 6 illustrates a conventional two-dimensional approach to reflective pulse oximetry in which the emitter is configured to emit optical radiation as a point optical source.

[0027] FIG. 7A is a simplified schematic side view illustration of a reflective three-dimensional pulse oximetry sensor according to an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0028] FIG. 7B is a simplified schematic top view illustration of the three-dimensional reflective pulse oximetry sensor of FIG. 7A.

[0029] FIG. 8 illustrates a block diagram of an example pulse oximetry system capable of noninvasively measuring one or more blood analytes in a monitored patient, according to an embodiment of the disclosure.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[0030] FIG. 1 illustrates schematically a conventional pulse oximetry sensor having a two-dimensional (2D) approach to pulse oximetry. As illustrated, the emitter 104 is configured to emit optical radiation as a point optical source, *i.e.*, an optical radiation source that has negligible dimensions such that it may be considered as a point. This approach is referred to herein as “two-dimensional” pulse oximetry because it applies a two-dimensional analytical model to the three-dimensional space of the tissue measurement site 102 of the patient. Point optical sources feature a defined, freely selectable, and homogeneous light beam area. Light beams emitted from LED point sources often exhibit a strong focus which can produce a usually sharply-defined and evenly-lit illuminated spot often with high intensity dynamics. Illustratively, when looking at the surface of the tissue measurement site 102 (or “sample tissue”), which in this example is a finger, a small point-like surface area of tissue 204 is irradiated by a point optical source. In some embodiments, the irradiated circular area of the point optical source is in the range between 8 and 150 microns. Illustratively, the emitted point optical source of light enters the tissue measurement site 102 as a point of light. As the light penetrates the depth of the tissue 102, it does so as a line or vector, representing a

two-dimensional construct within a three-dimensional structure, namely the patient's tissue 102.

[0031] Use of a point optical source is believed to reduce variability in light pathlength which would lead to more accurate oximetry measurements. However, in practice, photons do not travel in straight paths. Instead, the light particles scatter, bouncing around between various irregular objects (such as, for example, red blood cells) in the patient's blood. Accordingly, photon pathlengths vary depending on, among other things, their particular journeys through and around the tissue at the measurement site 102. This phenomenon is referred to as "multiple scattering." In a study, the effects of multiple scattering were examined by comparing the results of photon diffusion analysis with those obtained using an analysis based on the Beer-Lambert law, which neglects multiple scattering in the determination of light pathlength. The study found that that the difference between the average lengths of the paths traveled by red and infrared photons makes the oximeter's calibration curve (based on measurements obtained from normal subjects) sensitive to the total attenuation coefficients of the tissue in the two wavelength bands used for pulse oximetry, as well as to absorption by the pulsating arterial blood.

[0032] FIG. 2 illustrates schematically the disclosed systems, devices, and methods to implement three-dimensional (3D) pulse oximetry in which the emitted light irradiates a larger volume of tissue at the measurement site 102 as compared to the 2D point optical source approach described with respect to FIG. 1. In an embodiment, again looking at the surface of the tissue measurement site 102, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is substantially rectangular in shape with dimensions in the range of approximately 0.25-3 cm in width and approximately 1-6 cm in length. In another embodiment, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is substantially rectangular in shape and has dimensions of approximately 1.5 cm in width and approximately 2 cm in length. In another embodiment, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is substantially rectangular in shape and has dimensions of approximately 0.5 cm in width and approximately 1 cm in length. In another embodiment, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is substantially rectangular in shape

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has dimensions of approximately 1 cm in width and approximately 1.5 cm in length. In yet another embodiment, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is substantially square in shape and has dimensions in a range of approximately 0.25-9 cm². In certain embodiments, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is within a range of approximately 0.5-2 cm in width, and approximately 1-4 cm in length. Of course a skilled artisan will appreciate that many other shapes and dimensions of irradiated surface area 206 can be used. Advantageously, by irradiating the tissue measurement site 102 with a surface area 206, the presently disclosed systems, devices, and methods apply a three-dimensional analytical model to the three-dimensional structure being measured, namely, the patient's sample tissue 102.

[0033] According to the Beer-Lambert law, the amount of light absorbed by a substance is proportional to the concentration of the light-absorbing substance in the irradiated solution (*i.e.*, arterial blood). Advantageously, by irradiating a larger volume of tissue 102, a larger sample size of light attenuated (or reflected) by the tissue 102 is measured. The larger, 3D sample provides a data set that is more representative of the complete interaction of the emitted light as it passes through the patient's blood as compared to the 2D point source approach described above with respect to FIG. 1. By taking an average of the detected light, as detected over a surface area substantially larger than a single point, the disclosed pulse oximetry systems, devices, and methods will yield a more accurate measurement of the emitted light absorbed by the tissue, which will lead to a more accurate oxygen saturation measurement.

[0034] FIG. 3 illustrates schematically a side view of a pulse oximetry 3D sensor 300 according to an embodiment of the present disclosure. In the illustrated embodiment, the 3D sensor 300 irradiates the tissue measurement site 102 and detects the emitted light, after being attenuated by the tissue measurement site 102. In other embodiments, for example, as describe below with respect to FIGS. 7A and 7B, the 3D sensor 300 can be arranged to detect light that is reflected by the tissue measurement site 102. The 3D sensor 300 includes an emitter 302, a light diffuser 304, a light-absorbing detector filter 306, a light concentrator 308, and a detector

310. In some optional embodiments, the 3D sensor 300 further includes a reflector 305. The reflector 305 can be a metallic reflector or other type of reflector. Reflector 305 can be a coating, film, layer or other type of reflector. The reflector 305 can serve as a reflector to prevent emitted light from emitting out of a top portion of the light diffuser 304 such that light from the emitter 302 is directed in the tissue rather than escaping out of a side or top of the light diffuser 304. Additionally, the reflector 305 can prevent ambient light from entering the diffuser 304 which might ultimately cause errors within the detected light. The reflector 305 also prevent light piping that might occur if light from the detector 302 is able to escape from the light diffuser 304 and be piped around a sensor securement mechanism to detector 310 without passing through the patient's tissue 102.

[0035] The emitter 302 can serve as the source of optical radiation transmitted towards the tissue measurement site 102. The emitter 302 can include one or more sources of optical radiation, such as LEDs, laser diodes, incandescent bulbs with appropriate frequency-selective filters, combinations of the same, or the like. In an embodiment, the emitter 302 includes sets of optical sources that are capable of emitting visible and near-infrared optical radiation. In some embodiments, the emitter 302 transmits optical radiation of red and infrared wavelengths, at approximately 650 nm and approximately 940 nm, respectively. In some embodiments, the emitter 302 includes a single source optical radiation.

[0036] The light diffuser 304 receives the optical radiation emitted from the emitter 302 and spreads the optical radiation over an area, such as the area 206 depicted in FIG. 2. In some embodiments, the light diffuser 304 is a beam shaper that can homogenize the input light beam from the emitter 302, shape the output intensity profile of the received light, and define the way (*e.g.*, the shape or pattern) the emitted light is distributed to the tissue measurement site 102. Examples of materials that can be used to realize the light diffuser 304 include, without limitation, a white surface, glass, ground glass, glass beads, polytetrafluoroethylene (also known as Teflon®, opal glass, and greyed glass, to name a few. Additionally, engineered diffusers can be used to realize the diffuser 304 by providing customized light shaping with respect to intensity and distribution. Such diffusers can, for

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example, deliver substantially uniform illumination over a specified target area (such as, for example, irradiated surface area 206) in an energy-efficient manner. Examples of engineered diffusers can include molded plastics with specific shapes, patterns or textures designed to diffuse the emitter light across the entirety of the patient's tissue surface.

[0037] Advantageously, the diffuser 304 can receive emitted light in the form of a point optical source and spread the light to fit a desired surface area on a plane defined by the surface of the tissue measurement site 102. In an embodiment, the diffuser 304 is made of ground glass which spreads the emitted light with a Gaussian intensity profile. In another embodiment the diffuser 304 includes glass beads. In some embodiments, the diffuser 304 is constructed so as to diffuse the emitted light in a Lambertian pattern. A Lambertian pattern is one in which the radiation intensity is substantially constant throughout the area of dispersion. One such diffuser 304 is made from opal glass. Opal glass is similar to ground glass, but has one surface coated with a milky white coating to diffuse light evenly. In an embodiment, the diffuser 304 is capable of distributing the emitted light on the surface of a plane (*e.g.*, the surface of the tissue measurement site 102) in a predefined geometry (*e.g.*, a rectangle, square, or circle), and with a substantially uniform intensity profile and energy distribution. In some embodiments, the efficiency, or the amount of light transmitted by the diffuser 304, is greater than 70% of the light emitted by the emitter 302. In some embodiments, the efficiency is greater than 90% of the emitted light. Other optical elements known in the art may be used for the diffuser 304.

[0038] In an embodiment, the diffuser 304 has a substantially rectangular shape having dimensions within a range of approximately 0.5-2 cm in width and approximately 1-4 centimeters in length. In another embodiment, the substantially rectangular shape of the diffuser 304 has dimensions of approximately 0.5 cm in width and approximately 1 cm in length. In another embodiment, the diffuser's 304 substantially rectangular shape has dimensions of approximately 1 cm in width and approximately 1.5 cm in length. In yet another embodiment, the diffuser 304 has a

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substantially square shape with dimensions in the range of approximately 0.25-10 cm².

[0039] The light-absorbing detector filter 306, which is also depicted in FIG. 4A in a top view, is a planar surface having an opening 402 through which the emitted light may pass after being attenuated by the tissue measurement site 102. In the depicted embodiment, the opening 402 is rectangular-shaped, with dimensions substantially similar to the irradiated surface area 206. According to an embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially rectangular in shape and has outer dimensions of 4 cm in width and 8 cm in length, and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the opening having dimensions of 2 cm in width and 5 cm in length. In another embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially rectangular in shape and has outer dimensions in the range of 1-3 cm in width and 2-8 cm in length, and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the opening having dimensions in the range of 0.25-2 cm in width and 1-4 cm in length. In yet another embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially rectangular in shape and has outer dimensions of 3 cm in width and 6 cm in length, and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the opening having dimensions of 1.5 cm in width and 4 cm in length.

[0040] The top surface of the light-absorbing filter 306 (facing the tissue measurement site 102 and the emitter 302) is coated with a material that absorbs light, such as, for example, black pigment. Many other types of light-absorbing materials are well known in the art and can be used with the detector filter 306. During operation, light emitted from the emitter 302 can reflect off of the tissue measurement site 102 (or other structures within the 3D sensor 300) to neighboring portions of the 3D sensor 300. If those neighboring portions of the 3D sensor 300 possess reflective surfaces, then the light can reflect back to the tissue measurement site 102, progress through the tissue and arrive at the detector 310. Such multiple scattering can result in detecting photons whose pathlengths are considerably longer than most of the light that is detected, thereby introducing variations in pathlength which will affect the accuracy of the measurements of the pulse oximetry 3D sensor 300. Advantageously, the light-absorbing filter 306

reduces or eliminates the amount of emitted light that is reflected in this manner because it absorbs such reflected light, thereby stopping the chain of scattering events. In certain embodiments, the sensor-facing surfaces of other portions of the 3D sensor 300 are covered in light-absorbing material to further decrease the effect of reflective multiple scattering.

[0041] The light concentrator 308 is a structure to receive the emitted optical radiation, after attenuation by the tissue measurement site 102, to collect and concentrate the dispersed optical radiation, and to direct the collected and concentrated optical radiation to the detector 310. In an embodiment, the light concentrator 308 is made of ground glass or glass beads. In some embodiments, the light concentrator 308 includes a compound parabolic concentrator.

[0042] As described above with respect to FIG. 1, the detector 310 captures and measures light from the tissue measurement site 102. For example, the detector 310 can capture and measure light transmitted from the emitter 302 that has been attenuated by the tissue in the measurement site 102. The detector 310 can output a detector signal responsive to the light captured or measured. The detector 310 can be implemented using one or more photodiodes, phototransistors, or the like. In addition, a plurality of detectors 310 can be arranged in an array with a spatial configuration corresponding to the irradiated surface area 206 to capture the attenuated or reflected light from the tissue measurement site.

[0043] Referring to FIG. 4A, a top view of a portion of the 3D sensor 300 is provided. The light-absorbing detector filter 306 is illustrated having a top surface coated with a light-absorbing material. The light-absorbing material can be a black opaque material or coating or any other dark color or coating configured to absorb light. Additionally, a rectangular opening 402 is positioned relative to the light concentrator 308 (shown in phantom) and the detector 310 such that light may pass through the rectangular opening 402, into the light concentrator 308, and to the detector 310. FIG. 4B illustrates the top view of a portion of the 3D sensor 300 as in FIG. 4A, with the addition of the tissue measurement site 102 in operational position. Accordingly, the rectangular opening 402, the light concentrator 308 and the detector 310 are shown in phantom as being under the tissue measurement site

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102. In FIGS. 4A and 4B, the light concentrator 308 is shown to have dimensions significantly larger than the dimensions of the rectangular opening 402. In other embodiments, the dimensions of the light concentrator 308, the rectangular opening 402, and the irradiated surface area 206 are substantially similar.

[0044] FIG. 5 illustrates a top view of a 3D pulse oximetry sensor 500 according to an embodiment of the present disclosure. The 3D sensor 500 is configured to be worn on a patient's finger 102. The 3D sensor 500 includes an adhesive substrate 502 having front flaps 504 and rear flaps 506 extending outward from a center portion 508 of the 3D sensor 500. The center portion 508 includes components of the 3D pulse oximetry sensor 300 described with respect to FIGS. 3, 4A and 4B. On the front side of the adhesive substrate 502 the emitter 302 and the light diffuser 304 are positioned. On the rear side of the adhesive substrate 502 the light-absorbent detector filter 306, the light concentrator 308 and the detector 310 are positioned. In use, the patient's finger serving as the tissue measurement site 102 is positioned over the rectangular opening 402 such that when the front portion of the adhesive substrate is folded over on top of the patient's finger 102, the emitter 302 and the light diffuser 304 are aligned with the measurement site 102, the filter 306, the light concentrator 308 and the detector 310. Once alignment is established, the front and rear flaps 504, 506 can be wrapped around the finger measurement site 102 such that the adhesive substrate 502 provides a secure contact between the patient's skin and the 3D sensor 500. Fig. 5 also illustrates an example of a sensor connector cable 510 which is used to connect the 3D sensor 500 to a monitor 809, as described with respect to FIG. 8.

[0045] FIG. 6 is a simplified schematic illustration of a conventional, 2D approach to reflective pulse oximetry in which the emitter is configured to emit optical radiation as a point optical source. Reflective pulse oximetry is a method by which the emitter and detector are located on the same side of the tissue measurement site 102. Light is emitted into a tissue measurement site 102 and attenuated. The emitted light passes into the tissue 102 and is then reflected back to the same side of the tissue measurement site 102 as the emitter. As illustrated in FIG. 6, a depicted reflective 2D pulse oximetry sensor 600 includes an emitter 602,

a light block 606, and a detector 610. The light block 606 is necessary because the emitter 602 and the detector 610 are located on the same side of the tissue measurement site 102. Accordingly, the light block 606 prevents incident emitter light, which did not enter the tissue measurement site 102, from arriving at the detector 610. The depicted 2D pulse oximetry sensor 600 is configured to emit light as a point source. As depicted in FIG. 6, a simplified illustration of the light path 620 of the emitted light from the emitter 602, through the tissue measurement site 102, and to the detector 610 is provided. Notably, a point source of light is emitted, and a point source of light is detected. As discussed above with respect to FIG. 1, use of a point optical source can result in substantial measurement error due to pathlength variability resulting from the multiple scatter phenomenon. The sample space provided by a 2D point optical emitter source is not large enough to account for pathlength variability, which will skew measurement results.

[0046] FIGS. 7A and 7B are simplified schematic side and top views, respectively, of a 3D reflective pulse oximetry sensor 700 according to an embodiment of the present disclosure. In the illustrated embodiment, the 3D sensor 700 irradiates the tissue measurement site 102 and detects the emitted light that is reflected by the tissue measurement site 102. The 3D sensor 700 can be placed on a portion of the patient's body that has relatively flat surface, such as, for example a wrist, because the emitter 702 and detector 710 are on located the same side of the tissue measurement site 102. The 3D sensor 700 includes an emitter 702, a light diffuser 704, a light block 706, a light concentrator 708, and a detector 710.

[0047] As previously described, the emitter 702 can serve as the source of optical radiation transmitted towards the tissue measurement site 102. The emitter 702 can include one or more sources of optical radiation. Such sources of optical radiation can include LEDs, laser diodes, incandescent bulbs with appropriate frequency-selective filters, combinations of the same, or the like. In an embodiment, the emitter 702 includes sets of optical sources that are capable of emitting visible and near-infrared optical radiation. In some embodiments, the emitter 702 transmits optical radiation of red and infrared wavelengths, at approximately 650 nm and

approximately 940 nm, respectively. In some embodiments, the emitter 702 includes a single source of optical radiation.

[0048] The light diffuser 704 receives the optical radiation emitted from the emitter 302 and homogeneously spreads the optical radiation over a wide, donut-shaped area, such as the area outlined by the light diffuser 704 as depicted in FIG. 7B. Advantageously, the diffuser 704 can receive emitted light in the form of a 2D point optical source (or any other form) and spread the light to fit the desired surface area on a plane defined by the surface of the tissue measurement site 102. In an embodiment, the diffuser 704 is made of ground glass or glass beads. A skilled artisan will understand that many other materials can be used to make the light diffuser 704.

[0049] The light blocker 706 includes an annular ring having a cover portion 707 sized and shaped to form a light isolation chamber for the light concentrator 708 and the detector 710. (For purposes of illustration, the light block cover 707 is not illustrated in FIG. 7B.) The light blocker 706 and the cover 707 can be made of any material that optically isolates the light concentrator 708 and the detector 710. The light isolation chamber formed by the light blocker 706 and cover 708 ensures that the only light detected by the detector 710 is light that is reflected from the tissue measurement site.

[0050] The light concentrator 708 is a cylindrical structure with a truncated circular conical structure on top, the truncated section of which is adjacent the detector 710. The light concentrator 708 is structured to receive the emitted optical radiation, after reflection by the tissue measurement site 102, and to direct the reflected light to the detector 710. In an embodiment, the light concentrator 708 is made of ground glass or glass beads. In some embodiments, the light concentrator 708 includes a compound parabolic concentrator.

[0051] As previously described, the detector 710 captures and measures light from the tissue measurement site 102. For example, the detector 710 can capture and measure light transmitted from the emitter 702 that has been reflected from the tissue in the measurement site 102. The detector 710 can output a detector signal responsive to the light captured or measured. The detector 710 can be

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implemented using one or more photodiodes, phototransistors, or the like. In addition, a plurality of detectors 710 can be arranged in an array with a spatial configuration corresponding to the irradiated surface area depicted in FIG. 7B by the light concentrator 708 to capture the reflected light from the tissue measurement site.

[0052] Advantageously, the light path 720 illustrated in FIG. 7A depicts a substantial sample of reflected light that enter the light isolation chamber formed by the light blocker 706 and cover 707. As previously discussed, the large sample of reflected light (as compared to the reflected light collected using the 2D point optical source approach) provides the opportunity to take an average of the detected light, to derive a more accurate measurement of the emitted light absorbed by the tissue, which will lead to a more accurate oxygen saturation measurement.

[0053] Referring now to FIG. 7B, a top view of the 3D sensor 700 is illustrated with both the emitter 702 and the light blocker cover 707 removed for ease of illustration. The outer ring illustrates the footprint of the light diffuser 704. As light is emitted from the emitter 702 (not shown in FIG. 7B), it is diffused homogenously and directed to the tissue measurement site 102. The light blocker 706 forms the circular wall of a light isolation chamber to keep incident light from being sensed by the detector 710. The light blocker cover 707 blocks incidental light from entering the light isolation chamber from above. The light concentrator 710 collects the reflected light from the tissue measurement site 102 and funnels it upward toward the detector 710 at the center of the 3D sensor 700.

[0054] FIG. 8 illustrates an example of an optical physiological measurement system 800, which may also be referred to herein as a pulse oximetry system 800. In certain embodiments, the pulse oximetry system 800 noninvasively measures a blood analyte, such as oxygen, carboxyhemoglobin, methemoglobin, total hemoglobin, glucose, proteins, lipids, a percentage thereof (*e.g.*, saturation), pulse rate, perfusion index, oxygen content, total hemoglobin, Oxygen Reserve Index™ (ORI™) or many other physiologically relevant patient characteristics. These characteristics can relate to, for example, pulse rate, hydration, trending information and analysis, and the like. The system 800 can also measure additional blood

analytes and/or other physiological parameters useful in determining a state or trend of wellness of a patient.

[0055] The pulse oximetry system 800 can measure analyte concentrations at least in part by detecting optical radiation attenuated by tissue at a measurement site 102. The measurement site 102 can be any location on a patient's body, such as a finger, foot, earlobe, wrist, forehead, or the like.

[0056] The pulse oximetry system 800 can include a sensor 801 (or multiple sensors) that is coupled to a processing device or physiological monitor 809. In an embodiment, the sensor 801 and the monitor 809 are integrated together into a single unit. In another embodiment, the sensor 801 and the monitor 809 are separate from each other and communicate with one another in any suitable manner, such as via a wired or wireless connection. The sensor 801 and monitor 809 can be attachable and detachable from each other for the convenience of the user or caregiver, for ease of storage, sterility issues, or the like.

[0057] In the depicted embodiment shown in FIG. 8, the sensor 801 includes an emitter 804, a detector 806, and a front-end interface 808. The emitter 804 can serve as the source of optical radiation transmitted towards measurement site 102. The emitter 804 can include one or more sources of optical radiation, such as light emitting diodes (LEDs), laser diodes, incandescent bulbs with appropriate frequency-selective filters, combinations of the same, or the like. In an embodiment, the emitter 804 includes sets of optical sources that are capable of emitting visible and near-infrared optical radiation.

[0058] The pulse oximetry system 800 also includes a driver 811 that drives the emitter 804. The driver 111 can be a circuit or the like that is controlled by the monitor 809. For example, the driver 811 can provide pulses of current to the emitter 804. In an embodiment, the driver 811 drives the emitter 804 in a progressive fashion, such as in an alternating manner. The driver 811 can drive the emitter 804 with a series of pulses for some wavelengths that can penetrate tissue relatively well and for other wavelengths that tend to be significantly absorbed in tissue. A wide variety of other driving powers and driving methodologies can be used in various embodiments. The driver 811 can be synchronized with other parts

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of the sensor 801 to minimize or reduce jitter in the timing of pulses of optical radiation emitted from the emitter 804. In some embodiments, the driver 811 is capable of driving the emitter 804 to emit optical radiation in a pattern that varies by less than about 10 parts-per-million.

[0059] The detector 806 captures and measures light from the tissue measurement site 102. For example, the detector 806 can capture and measure light transmitted from the emitter 804 that has been attenuated or reflected from the tissue at the measurement site 102. The detector 806 can output a detector signal 107 responsive to the light captured and measured. The detector 806 can be implemented using one or more photodiodes, phototransistors, or the like. In some embodiments, a detector 806 is implemented in detector package to capture and measure light from the tissue measurement site 102 of the patient. The detector package can include a photodiode chip mounted to leads and enclosed in an encapsulant. In some embodiments, the dimensions of the detector package are approximately 2 square centimeters. In other embodiments, the dimensions of the detector package are approximately 1.5 centimeters in width and approximately 2 centimeters in length.

[0060] The front-end interface 808 provides an interface that adapts the output of the detectors 806, which is responsive to desired physiological parameters. For example, the front-end interface 808 can adapt the signal 807 received from the detector 806 into a form that can be processed by the monitor 809, for example, by a signal processor 810 in the monitor 809. The front-end interface 808 can have its components assembled in the sensor 801, in the monitor 809, in a connecting cabling (if used), in combinations of the same, or the like. The location of the front-end interface 808 can be chosen based on various factors including space desired for components, desired noise reductions or limits, desired heat reductions or limits, and the like.

[0061] The front-end interface 808 can be coupled to the detector 806 and to the signal processor 810 using a bus, wire, electrical or optical cable, flex circuit, or some other form of signal connection. The front-end interface 808 can also be at least partially integrated with various components, such as the detectors 806. For

example, the front-end interface 808 can include one or more integrated circuits that are on the same circuit board as the detector 806. Other configurations can also be used.

[0062] As shown in FIG. 8, the monitor 909 can include the signal processor 810 and a user interface, such as a display 812. The monitor 809 can also include optional outputs alone or in combination with the display 812, such as a storage device 814 and a network interface 816. In an embodiment, the signal processor 810 includes processing logic that determines measurements for desired analytes based on the signals received from the detector 806. The signal processor 810 can be implemented using one or more microprocessors or sub-processors (*e.g.*, cores), digital signal processors, application specific integrated circuits (ASICs), field programmable gate arrays (FPGAs), combinations of the same, and the like.

[0063] The signal processor 810 can provide various signals that control the operation of the sensor 801. For example, the signal processor 810 can provide an emitter control signal to the driver 811. This control signal can be useful in order to synchronize, minimize, or reduce jitter in the timing of pulses emitted from the emitter 804. Accordingly, this control signal can be useful in order to cause optical radiation pulses emitted from the emitter 804 to follow a precise timing and consistent pattern. For example, when a transimpedance-based front-end interface 808 is used, the control signal from the signal processor 810 can provide synchronization with an analog-to-digital converter (ADC) in order to avoid aliasing, cross-talk, and the like. As also shown, an optional memory 813 can be included in the front-end interface 808 and/or in the signal processor 810. This memory 813 can serve as a buffer or storage location for the front-end interface 808 and/or the signal processor 810, among other uses.

[0064] The user interface 812 can provide an output, *e.g.*, on a display, for presentation to a user of the pulse oximetry system 800. The user interface 812 can be implemented as a touch-screen display, a liquid crystal display (LCD), an organic LED display, or the like. In alternative embodiments, the pulse oximetry system 800

can be provided without a user interface 812 and can simply provide an output signal to a separate display or system.

[0065] The storage device 814 and a network interface 816 represent other optional output connections that can be included in the monitor 809. The storage device 814 can include any computer-readable medium, such as a memory device, hard disk storage, EEPROM, flash drive, or the like. The various software and/or firmware applications can be stored in the storage device 814, which can be executed by the signal processor 810 or another processor of the monitor 809. The network interface 816 can be a serial bus port (RS-232/RS-485), a Universal Serial Bus (USB) port, an Ethernet port, a wireless interface (*e.g.*, WiFi such as any 802.1x interface, including an internal wireless card), or other suitable communication device(s) that allows the monitor 809 to communicate and share data with other devices. The monitor 809 can also include various other components not shown, such as a microprocessor, graphics processor, or controller to output the user interface 812, to control data communications, to compute data trending, or to perform other operations.

[0066] Although not shown in the depicted embodiment, the pulse oximetry system 800 can include various other components or can be configured in different ways. For example, the sensor 801 can have both the emitter 804 and detector 806 on the same side of the tissue measurement site 102 and use reflectance to measure analytes.

[0067] Although the foregoing disclosure has been described in terms of certain preferred embodiments, many other variations than those described herein will be apparent to those of ordinary skill in the art.

[0068] Conditional language used herein, such as, among others, "can," "might," "may," "*e.g.*," and the like, unless specifically stated otherwise, or otherwise understood within the context as used, is generally intended to convey that certain embodiments include, while other embodiments do not include, certain features, elements and/or states. Thus, such conditional language is not generally intended to imply that features, elements and/or states are in any way required for one or more embodiments or that one or more embodiments necessarily include logic for

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[0069] While the above detailed description has shown, described, and pointed out novel features as applied to various embodiments, it will be understood that various omissions, substitutions, and changes in the form and details of the systems, devices or algorithms illustrated can be made without departing from the spirit of the disclosure. As will be recognized, certain embodiments of the disclosure described herein can be embodied within a form that does not provide all of the features and benefits set forth herein, as some features can be used or practiced separately from others.

[0070] The term "and/or" herein has its broadest, least limiting meaning which is the disclosure includes A alone, B alone, both A and B together, or A or B alternatively, but does not require both A and B or require one of A or one of B. As used herein, the phrase "at least one of" A, B, "and" C should be construed to mean a logical A or B or C, using a non-exclusive logical or.

[0071] The apparatuses and methods described herein may be implemented by one or more computer programs executed by one or more processors. The computer programs include processor-executable instructions that are stored on a non-transitory tangible computer readable medium. The computer programs may also include stored data. Non-limiting examples of the non-transitory tangible computer readable medium are nonvolatile memory, magnetic storage, and optical storage. Although the foregoing disclosure has been described in terms of certain preferred embodiments, other embodiments will be apparent to those of

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[0072] Additionally, all publications, patents, and patent applications mentioned in this specification are herein incorporated by reference to the same extent as if each individual publication, patent, or patent application were specifically and individually indicated to be incorporated by reference.

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**CERTIFICATION AND REQUEST FOR PRIORITIZED EXAMINATION
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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A non-invasive, optical-based physiological monitoring system is disclosed. One embodiment includes an emitter configured to emit light. A diffuser is configured to receive and spread the emitted light, and to emit the spread light at a tissue measurement site. The system further includes a concentrator configured to receive the spread light after it has been attenuated by or reflected from the tissue measurement site. The concentrator is also configured to collect and concentrate the received light and to emit the concentrated light to a detector. The detector is configured to detect the concentrated light and to transmit a signal representative of the detected light. A processor is configured to receive the transmitted signal and to determine a physiological parameter, such as, for example, arterial oxygen saturation, in the tissue measurement site.

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An optical physiological measurement system comprising:
 - an emitter which emits light of a wavelength;
 - a diffuser which receives, spreads and emits the spread light, wherein the emitted spread light is directed at a tissue measurement site of a patient;
 - and
 - a detector configured to detect the emitted light after attenuation by tissue of the patient, the detector further configured to transmit a signal responsive to the detected light.
2. The optical physiological measurement system of Claim 1, further comprising a concentrator which receives the spread light after attenuation by tissue of the patient, concentrates the received spread light and emits the concentrated light in the direction of the detector.
3. The optical physiological measurement system of Claim 1, further comprising a processor configured to receive the transmitted signal responsive to the detected light and to determine a physiological parameter.
4. The optical physiological measurement system of Claim 3, wherein the parameter is arterial oxygen saturation.
5. The optical physiological measurement system of Claim 1, wherein the diffuser comprises at least one of a glass diffuser, ground glass diffuser, a glass bead diffuser, an opal glass diffuser, and an engineered diffuser.
6. The optical physiological measurement system of Claim 1, wherein the diffuser emits the spread light with a substantially uniform intensity profile.
7. The optical physiological measurement system of Claim 1, wherein the diffuser defines a surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto a surface of the tissue measurement site.
8. The optical physiological monitor of Claim 7, further comprising a detector filter having a light-absorbing surface facing the tissue measurement site and an opening, the opening having dimensions, wherein the dimensions of the opening are substantially similar to the defined surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto the surface of the tissue measurement site.

9. The optical physiological measurement system of Claim 7, wherein the surface area shape is rectangular.

10. The optical physiological measurement system of Claim 9, wherein the rectangular surface area shape has dimensions within a range of approximately 0.25 cm to 3 cm in width and a range of approximately 1 cm to 6 cm in length.

11. The optical physiological measurement system of Claim 9, wherein the rectangular surface area shape has dimensions in the range of approximately 0.1 cm to 2 cm in width and approximately 0.5 cm to 5 cm in length.

12. The optical physiological measurement system of Claim 9, wherein the rectangular surface area shape has dimensions of approximately 1 centimeter in width and approximately 1.5 centimeters in length.

13. The optical physiological measurement system of Claim 7, wherein the surface area shape is square.

14. The optical physiological measurement system of Claim 13, wherein the square surface area shape has dimensions in the range of approximately 0.25 cm² to 10 cm².

15. The optical physiological measurement system of Claim 9, further comprising a detector filter comprising a light-absorbing surface facing the tissue measurement site and an opening, the opening having dimensions, wherein the dimensions of the opening are substantially similar to dimensions of the rectangular shape.

16. The optical physiological measurement system of Claim 1, wherein the concentrator comprises at least one of glass, ground glass, glass beads, opal glass, and a compound parabolic concentrator.

17. The optical physiological measurement system of Claim 1, further comprising a detector filter comprising a light-absorbing surface facing the tissue measurement site and an opening, wherein the opening is configured to allow the spread light, after being attenuated by or reflected from the tissue measurement site, to be received by the concentrator.

18. A method to determine a constituent or analyte in a patient's blood, the method comprising:

emitting, from an emitter, light of a wavelength;

spreading, with a diffuser, the emitted light and emitting the spread light from the diffuser to a tissue measurement site, wherein the diffuser spreads the light over a greater area of the tissue measurement site than would otherwise be illuminated by the emitter directly emitting light at a tissue measurement site; and

detecting, with the detector, the emitted concentrated light.

19. The method of Claim 18, further comprising receiving, by a concentrator, the emitted spread light after the spread light has been attenuated by or reflected from the tissue measurement site and concentrating, by the concentrator, the received light and emitting the concentrated light from the concentrator to a detector.

20. The method of Claim 18, further comprising transmitting, from the detector, a signal responsive to the detected light; receiving, by a processor, the transmitted signal responsive to the detected light; and processing, by the processor, the received signal responsive to the detected light to determine a physiological parameter.

21. The method of Claim 18, further comprising filtering, with a light-absorbing detector filter, scattered portions of the emitted spread light.

22. The method of Claim 18, wherein spreading, with a diffuser, the emitted light and emitting the spread light from the diffuser to a tissue measurement site is performed by at least one of a glass diffuser, a glass bead diffuser, an opal glass diffuser, and an engineered diffuser.

23. The method of Claim 18, wherein spreading, with a diffuser, the emitted light and emitting the spread light from the diffuser to a tissue measurement site further comprises spreading the emitted light with a substantially uniform intensity profile.

24. The method of Claim 18, wherein spreading, with a diffuser, the emitted light and emitting the spread light from the diffuser to a tissue measurement site further comprises spreading the emitted light so as to define a surface area

shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto a surface of the tissue measurement site.

25. The method of Claim 18, wherein concentrating, by the concentrator, the received light and emitting the concentrated light from the concentrator to a detector is performed by at least one of a glass concentrator, a glass bead concentrator, an opal glass concentrator, and a compound parabolic concentrator.

26. A pulse oximeter sensor comprising:
an emitter configured to emit light at a wavelength;
a diffuser configured to receive the emitted light, to spread the received light, and to emit the spread light, wherein the emitted spread light is directed at a tissue measurement site; and
a detector configured to detect the emitted spread light, the spread light having been attenuated by the tissue measurement site, the detector further configured to output a signal responsive to the detected light.

27. The pulse oximeter sensor of Claim 26, further comprising a concentrator which concentrates the emitted light after it has been attenuated by the tissue measurement site and directs the concentrated light toward the detector.

28. The pulse oximeter sensor of Claim 26, wherein the detector is further configured to output the signal response to the detected light to a processor configured to receive the signal responsive to the detected light and to determine a physiological parameter.

29. The pulse oximeter sensor of Claim 26, wherein the diffuser is further configured to define a surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto a surface of the tissue measurement site.

30. The pulse oximeter sensor of Claim 29, wherein the detector is further configured to have a detection area corresponding to the defined surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto the surface of the tissue measurement site.

31. The pulse oximeter sensor of Claim 30, wherein the detector further comprises an array of detectors configured to cover the detection area.

32. A pulse oximeter sensor comprising:

an emitter configured to emit light at a wavelength;
a concentrator which concentrates the emitted light after it has been attenuated by the tissue measurement site; and
a detector configured to detect the emitted spread, the spread light having been attenuated by or reflected from the tissue measurement site, the detector further configured to output a signal responsive to the detected light.

33. The pulse oximeter sensor of Claim 32, wherein the detector is further configured to transmit the output signal responsive to the detected light to a processor configured to receive the signal responsive to the detected light and to determine a physiological parameter.

34. The pulse oximeter sensor of Claim 32, wherein the concentrator is further configured to define a surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is received from a surface of the tissue measurement site.

35. The pulse oximeter sensor of Claim 34, wherein the concentrator is further configured to have a detection area corresponding to the defined surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto the surface of the tissue measurement site.

36. The pulse oximeter sensor of Claim 35, wherein the detector further comprises an array of detectors configured to cover the detection area.

ADVANCED PULSE OXIMETRY SENSOR

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE TO ANY PRIORITY APPLICATIONS

[0001] The present application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 15/195,199 filed June 28, 2016, which claims priority benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) from U.S. Provisional Application No. 62/188,430, filed July 2, 2015, entitled “Advanced Pulse Oximetry Sensor,” which is incorporated by reference herein. Any and all applications for which a foreign or domestic priority claim is identified in the Application Data Sheet as filed with the present application are hereby incorporated by reference under 37 CFR 1.57.

FIELD OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0002] The present disclosure relates to the field of non-invasive optical-based physiological monitoring sensors, and more particularly to systems, devices and methods for improving the non-invasive measurement accuracy of oxygen saturation, among other physiological parameters.

BACKGROUND

[0003] Spectroscopy is a common technique for measuring the concentration of organic and some inorganic constituents of a solution. The theoretical basis of this technique is the Beer-Lambert law, which states that the concentration c_i of an absorbent in solution can be determined by the intensity of light transmitted through the solution, knowing the pathlength d_λ , the intensity of the incident light $I_{o,\lambda}$, and the extinction coefficient $\epsilon_{i,\lambda}$ at a particular wavelength λ .

[0004] In generalized form, the Beer-Lambert law is expressed as:

$$I_\lambda = I_{o,\lambda} e^{-d_\lambda \cdot \mu_{a,\lambda}} \quad (1)$$

$$\mu_{a,\lambda} = \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_{i,\lambda} \cdot c_i \quad (2)$$

where $\mu_{\alpha,\lambda}$ is the bulk absorption coefficient and represents the probability of absorption per unit length. The minimum number of discrete wavelengths that are required to solve equations 1 and 2 is the number of significant absorbers that are present in the solution.

[0005] A practical application of this technique is pulse oximetry, which utilizes a noninvasive sensor to measure oxygen saturation and pulse rate, among other physiological parameters. Pulse oximetry relies on a sensor attached externally to the patient to output signals indicative of various physiological parameters, such as a patient's blood constituents and/or analytes, including for example a percent value for arterial oxygen saturation, among other physiological parameters. The sensor has an emitter that transmits optical radiation of one or more wavelengths into a tissue site and a detector that responds to the intensity of the optical radiation after absorption by pulsatile arterial blood flowing within the tissue site. Based upon this response, a processor determines the relative concentrations of oxygenated hemoglobin (HbO₂) and deoxygenated hemoglobin (Hb) in the blood so as to derive oxygen saturation, which can provide early detection of potentially hazardous decreases in a patient's oxygen supply.

[0006] A pulse oximetry system generally includes a patient monitor, a communications medium such as a cable, and/or a physiological sensor having one or more light emitters and a detector, such as one or more light-emitting diodes (LEDs) and a photodetector. The sensor is attached to a tissue site, such as a finger, toe, earlobe, nose, hand, foot, or other site having pulsatile blood flow which can be penetrated by light from the one or more emitters. The detector is responsive to the emitted light after attenuation or reflection by pulsatile blood flowing in the tissue site. The detector outputs a detector signal to the monitor over the communication medium. The monitor processes the signal to provide a numerical readout of physiological parameters such as oxygen saturation (SpO₂) and/or pulse rate. A pulse oximetry sensor is described in U.S. Patent No. 6,088,607 entitled *Low Noise Optical Probe*; pulse oximetry signal processing is described in U.S. Patent Nos. 6,650,917 and 6,699,194 entitled *Signal Processing Apparatus* and *Signal Processing Apparatus and Method*, respectively; a pulse oximeter monitor is

described in U.S. Patent No. 6,584,336 entitled *Universal/Upgrading Pulse Oximeter*, all of which are assigned to Masimo Corporation, Irvine, CA, and each is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

[0007] There are many sources of measurement error introduced to pulse oximetry systems. Some such sources of error include the pulse oximetry system's electronic components, including emitters and detectors, as well as chemical and structural physiological differences between patients. Another source of measurement error is the effect of multiple scattering of photons as the photons pass through the patient's tissue (arterial blood) and arrive at the sensor's light detector.

SUMMARY

[0008] This disclosure describes embodiments of non-invasive methods, devices, and systems for measuring blood constituents, analytes, and/or substances such as, by way of non-limiting example, oxygen, carboxyhemoglobin, methemoglobin, total hemoglobin, glucose, proteins, lipids, a percentage thereof (*e.g.*, saturation), pulse rate, perfusion index, oxygen content, total hemoglobin, Oxygen Reserve Index™ (ORI™) or for measuring many other physiologically relevant patient characteristics. These characteristics can relate to, for example, pulse rate, hydration, trending information and analysis, and the like.

[0009] In an embodiment, an optical physiological measurement system includes an emitter configured to emit light of one or more wavelengths. The system also includes a diffuser configured to receive the emitted light, to spread the received light, and to emit the spread light over a larger tissue area than would otherwise be penetrated by the emitter directly emitting light at a tissue measurement site. The tissue measurement site can include, such as, for example, a finger, a wrist, or the like. The system further includes a concentrator configured to receive the spread light after it has been attenuated by or reflected from the tissue measurement site. The concentrator is also configured to collect and concentrate the received light and to emit the concentrated light to a detector. The detector is configured to detect the concentrated light and to transmit a signal indicative of the

detected light. The system also includes a processor configured to receive the transmitted signal indicative of the detected light and to determine, based on an amount of absorption, an analyte of interest, such as, for example, arterial oxygen saturation or other parameter, in the tissue measurement site.

[0010] In certain embodiments of the present disclosure, the diffuser comprises glass, ground glass, glass beads, opal glass, or a microlens-based, band-limited, engineered diffuser that can deliver efficient and uniform illumination. In some embodiments the diffuser is further configured to define a surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto a surface of the tissue measurement site. The defined surface area shape can include, by way of non-limiting example, a shape that is substantially rectangular, square, circular, oval, or annular, among others.

[0011] According to some embodiments, the optical physiological measurement system includes an optical filter having a light-absorbing surface that faces the tissue measurement site. The optical filter also has an opening that is configured to allow the spread light, after being attenuated by the tissue measurement site, to be received by the concentrator. In an embodiment, the opening has dimensions, wherein the dimensions of the opening are similar to the defined surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto the surface of the tissue measurement site. In an embodiment, the opening has dimensions that are larger than the defined surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto the surface of the tissue measurement site. In other embodiments, the dimensions of the opening in the optical filter are not the same as the diffuser opening, but the dimensions are larger than the detector package.

[0012] In other embodiments of the present disclosure, the concentrator comprises glass, ground glass, glass beads, opal glass, or a compound parabolic concentrator. In some embodiments the concentrator comprises a cylindrical structure having a truncated circular conical structure on top. The truncated section is adjacent the detector. The light concentrator is structured to receive the emitted optical radiation, after reflection by the tissue measurement site, and to direct the reflected light to the detector.

[0013] In accordance with certain embodiments of the present disclosure, the processor is configured to determine an average level of the light detected by the detector. The average level of light is used to determine a physiological parameter in the tissue measurement site.

[0014] According to another embodiment, a method to determine a constituent or analyte in a patient's blood is disclosed. The method includes emitting, from an emitter, light of at least one wavelength; spreading, with a diffuser, the emitted light and emitting the spread light from the diffuser to a tissue measurement site; receiving, by a concentrator, the spread light after the spread light has been attenuated by the tissue measurement site; concentrating, by the concentrator, the received light and emitting the concentrated light from the concentrator to a detector; detecting, with the detector, the emitted concentrated light; transmitting, from the detector, a signal responsive to the detected light; receiving, by a processor, the transmitted signal responsive to the detected light; and processing, by the processor, the received signal responsive to the detected light to determine a physiological parameter.

[0015] In some embodiments, the method to determine a constituent or analyte in a patient's blood includes filtering, with a light-absorbing detector filter, scattered portions of the emitted spread light. According to an embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially rectangular in shape and has outer dimensions in the range of approximately 1-5 cm in width and approximately 2-8 cm in length, and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the opening having dimensions in the range of approximately 0.25-3 cm in width and approximately 1-7 cm in length. In another embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially square in shape and has outer dimensions in the range of approximately 0.25-10 cm², and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the opening having dimensions in the range of approximately 0.1-8cm². In yet another embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially rectangular in shape and has outer dimensions of approximately 3 cm in width and approximately 6 cm in length, and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the

opening having dimensions of approximately 1.5 cm in width and approximately 4 cm in length.

[0016] In still other embodiments of the method to determine a constituent or analyte in a patient's blood, spreading, with a diffuser, the emitted light and emitting the spread light from the diffuser to a tissue measurement site is performed by at least one of a glass diffuser, a ground glass diffuser, a glass bead diffuser, an opal glass diffuser, and an engineered diffuser. In some embodiments the emitted spread light is emitted with a substantially uniform intensity profile. And in some embodiments, emitting the spread light from the diffuser to the tissue measurement site includes spreading the emitted light so as to define a surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto a surface of the tissue measurement site.

[0017] According to yet another embodiment, a pulse oximeter is disclosed. The pulse oximeter includes an emitter configured to emit light at one or more wavelengths. The pulse oximeter also includes a diffuser configured to receive the emitted light, to spread the received light, and to emit the spread light directed at a tissue measurement sight. The pulse oximeter also includes a detector configured to detect the emitted spread light after being attenuated by or reflected from the tissue measurement site and to transmit a signal indicative of the detected light. The pulse oximeter also includes a processor configured to receive the transmitted signal and to process the received signal to determine an average absorbance of a blood constituent or analyte in the tissue measurement site over a larger measurement site area than can be performed with a point light source or point detector. In some embodiments, the diffuser is further configured to define a surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto a surface of the tissue measurement site, and the detector is further configured to have a detection area corresponding to the defined surface area shape by which the emitted spread light is distributed onto the surface of the tissue measurement site. According to some embodiments, the detector comprises an array of detectors configured to cover the detection area. In still other embodiments, the processor is further configured to determine an average of the detected light.

[0018] For purposes of summarizing, certain aspects, advantages and novel features of the disclosure have been described herein. It is to be understood that not necessarily all such advantages can be achieved in accordance with any particular embodiment of the systems, devices and/or methods disclosed herein. Thus, the subject matter of the disclosure herein can be embodied or carried out in a manner that achieves or optimizes one advantage or group of advantages as taught herein without necessarily achieving other advantages as can be taught or suggested herein.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0019] Throughout the drawings, reference numbers can be re-used to indicate correspondence between referenced elements. The drawings are provided to illustrate embodiments of the disclosure described herein and not to limit the scope thereof.

[0020] FIG. 1 illustrates a conventional approach to 2D pulse oximetry in which the emitter is configured to emit optical radiation as a point optical source.

[0021] FIG. 2 illustrates the disclosed 3D approach to pulse oximetry in which the emitted light irradiates a substantially larger volume of tissue as compared to the point source approach described with respect to FIG. 2A.

[0022] FIG. 3 illustrates schematically a side view of a 3D pulse oximetry sensor according to an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0023] FIG. 4A is a top view of a portion of a 3D pulse oximetry sensor according to an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0024] FIG. 4B illustrates the top view of a portion of the 3D pulse oximetry sensor shown in FIG. 4A, with the addition of a tissue measurement site in operational position.

[0025] FIG. 5 illustrates a top view of a 3D pulse oximetry sensor according to an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0026] FIG. 6 illustrates a conventional 2D approach to reflective pulse oximetry in which the emitter is configured to emit optical radiation as a point optical source.

[0027] FIG. 7A is a simplified schematic side view illustration of a reflective 3D pulse oximetry sensor according to an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0028] FIG. 7B is a simplified schematic top view illustration of the 3D reflective pulse oximetry sensor of FIG. 7A.

[0029] FIG. 8 illustrates a block diagram of an example pulse oximetry system capable of noninvasively measuring one or more blood analytes in a monitored patient, according to an embodiment of the disclosure.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[0030] FIG. 1 illustrates schematically a conventional pulse oximetry sensor having a two-dimensional (2D) approach to pulse oximetry. As illustrated, the emitter 104 is configured to emit optical radiation as a point optical source, *i.e.*, an optical radiation source that has negligible dimensions such that it may be considered as a point. This approach is referred to herein as “two-dimensional” pulse oximetry because it applies a two-dimensional analytical model to the three-dimensional space of the tissue measurement site 102 of the patient. Point optical sources feature a defined, freely selectable, and homogeneous light beam area. Light beams emitted from LED point sources often exhibit a strong focus which can produce a usually sharply-defined and evenly-lit illuminated spot often with high intensity dynamics. Illustratively, when looking at the surface of the tissue measurement site 102 (or “sample tissue”), which in this example is a finger, a small point-like surface area of tissue 204 is irradiated by a point optical source. In some embodiments, the irradiated circular area of the point optical source is in the range between 8 and 150 microns. Illustratively, the emitted point optical source of light enters the tissue measurement site 102 as a point of light. As the light penetrates the depth of the tissue 102, it does so as a line or vector, representing a two-dimensional construct within a three-dimensional structure, namely the patient’s tissue 102.

[0031] Use of a point optical source is believed to reduce variability in light pathlength which would lead to more accurate oximetry measurements. However, in practice, photons do not travel in straight paths. Instead, the light particles scatter,

bouncing around between various irregular objects (such as, for example, red blood cells) in the patient's blood. Accordingly, photon pathlengths vary depending on, among other things, their particular journeys through and around the tissue at the measurement site 102. This phenomenon is referred to as "multiple scattering." In a study, the effects of multiple scattering were examined by comparing the results of photon diffusion analysis with those obtained using an analysis based on the Beer-Lambert law, which neglects multiple scattering in the determination of light pathlength. The study found that that the difference between the average lengths of the paths traveled by red and infrared photons makes the oximeter's calibration curve (based on measurements obtained from normal subjects) sensitive to the total attenuation coefficients of the tissue in the two wavelength bands used for pulse oximetry, as well as to absorption by the pulsating arterial blood.

[0032] FIG. 2 illustrates schematically the disclosed systems, devices, and methods to implement three-dimensional (3D) pulse oximetry in which the emitted light irradiates a larger volume of tissue at the measurement site 102 as compared to the 2D point optical source approach described with respect to FIG. 1. In an embodiment, again looking at the surface of the tissue measurement site 102, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is substantially rectangular in shape with dimensions in the range of approximately 0.25-3 cm in width and approximately 1-6 cm in length. In another embodiment, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is substantially rectangular in shape and has dimensions of approximately 1.5 cm in width and approximately 2 cm in length. In another embodiment, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is substantially rectangular in shape and has dimensions of approximately 0.5 cm in width and approximately 1 cm in length. In another embodiment, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is substantially rectangular in shape has dimensions of approximately 1 cm in width and approximately 1.5 cm in length. In yet another embodiment, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is substantially square in shape and has dimensions in a range of approximately 0.25-9 cm². In certain embodiments, the irradiated surface area 206 of the measurement site 102 is within a range of approximately 0.5-2 cm in width, and

approximately 1-4 cm in length. Of course a skilled artisan will appreciate that many other shapes and dimensions of irradiated surface area 206 can be used. Advantageously, by irradiating the tissue measurement site 102 with a surface area 206, the presently disclosed systems, devices, and methods apply a three-dimensional analytical model to the three-dimensional structure being measured, namely, the patient's sample tissue 102.

[0033] According to the Beer-Lambert law, the amount of light absorbed by a substance is proportional to the concentration of the light-absorbing substance in the irradiated solution (*i.e.*, arterial blood). Advantageously, by irradiating a larger volume of tissue 102, a larger sample size of light attenuated (or reflected) by the tissue 102 is measured. The larger, 3D sample provides a data set that is more representative of the complete interaction of the emitted light as it passes through the patient's blood as compared to the 2D point source approach described above with respect to FIG. 1. By taking an average of the detected light, as detected over a surface area substantially larger than a single point, the disclosed pulse oximetry systems, devices, and methods will yield a more accurate measurement of the emitted light absorbed by the tissue, which will lead to a more accurate oxygen saturation measurement.

[0034] FIG. 3 illustrates schematically a side view of a pulse oximetry 3D sensor 300 according to an embodiment of the present disclosure. In the illustrated embodiment, the 3D sensor 300 irradiates the tissue measurement site 102 and detects the emitted light, after being attenuated by the tissue measurement site 102. In other embodiments, for example, as describe below with respect to FIGS. 7A and 7B, the 3D sensor 300 can be arranged to detect light that is reflected by the tissue measurement site 102. The 3D sensor 300 includes an emitter 302, a light diffuser 304, a light-absorbing detector filter 306, a light concentrator 308, and a detector 310. In some optional embodiments, the 3D sensor 300 further includes a reflector 305. The reflector 305 can be a metallic reflector or other type of reflector. Reflector 305 can be a coating, film, layer or other type of reflector. The reflector 305 can serve as a reflector to prevent emitted light from emitting out of a top portion of the light diffuser 304 such that light from the emitter 302 is directed in the

tissue rather than escaping out of a side or top of the light diffuser 304. Additionally, the reflector 305 can prevent ambient light from entering the diffuser 304 which might ultimately cause errors within the detected light. The reflector 305 also prevent light piping that might occur if light from the detector 302 is able to escape from the light diffuser 304 and be piped around a sensor securement mechanism to detector 310 without passing through the patient's tissue 102.

[0035] The emitter 302 can serve as the source of optical radiation transmitted towards the tissue measurement site 102. The emitter 302 can include one or more sources of optical radiation, such as LEDs, laser diodes, incandescent bulbs with appropriate frequency-selective filters, combinations of the same, or the like. In an embodiment, the emitter 302 includes sets of optical sources that are capable of emitting visible and near-infrared optical radiation. In some embodiments, the emitter 302 transmits optical radiation of red and infrared wavelengths, at approximately 650 nm and approximately 940 nm, respectively. In some embodiments, the emitter 302 includes a single source optical radiation.

[0036] The light diffuser 304 receives the optical radiation emitted from the emitter 302 and spreads the optical radiation over an area, such as the area 206 depicted in FIG. 2. In some embodiments, the light diffuser 304 is a beam shaper that can homogenize the input light beam from the emitter 302, shape the output intensity profile of the received light, and define the way (*e.g.*, the shape or pattern) the emitted light is distributed to the tissue measurement site 102. Examples of materials that can be used to realize the light diffuser 304 include, without limitation, a white surface, glass, ground glass, glass beads, polytetrafluoroethylene (also known as Teflon®, opal glass, and greyed glass, to name a few. Additionally, engineered diffusers can be used to realize the diffuser 304 by providing customized light shaping with respect to intensity and distribution. Such diffusers can, for example, deliver substantially uniform illumination over a specified target area (such as, for example, irradiated surface area 206) in an energy-efficient manner. Examples of engineered diffusers can include molded plastics with specific shapes, patterns or textures designed to diffuse the emitter light across the entirety of the patient's tissue surface.

[0037] Advantageously, the diffuser 304 can receive emitted light in the form of a point optical source and spread the light to fit a desired surface area on a plane defined by the surface of the tissue measurement site 102. In an embodiment, the diffuser 304 is made of ground glass which spreads the emitted light with a Gaussian intensity profile. In another embodiment the diffuser 304 includes glass beads. In some embodiments, the diffuser 304 is constructed so as to diffuse the emitted light in a Lambertian pattern. A Lambertian pattern is one in which the radiation intensity is substantially constant throughout the area of dispersion. One such diffuser 304 is made from opal glass. Opal glass is similar to ground glass, but has one surface coated with a milky white coating to diffuse light evenly. In an embodiment, the diffuser 304 is capable of distributing the emitted light on the surface of a plane (*e.g.*, the surface of the tissue measurement site 102) in a predefined geometry (*e.g.*, a rectangle, square, or circle), and with a substantially uniform intensity profile and energy distribution. In some embodiments, the efficiency, or the amount of light transmitted by the diffuser 304, is greater than 70% of the light emitted by the emitter 302. In some embodiments, the efficiency is greater than 90% of the emitted light. Other optical elements known in the art may be used for the diffuser 304.

[0038] In an embodiment, the diffuser 304 has a substantially rectangular shape having dimensions within a range of approximately 0.5-2 cm in width and approximately 1-4 centimeters in length. In another embodiment, the substantially rectangular shape of the diffuser 304 has dimensions of approximately 0.5 cm in width and approximately 1 cm in length. In another embodiment, the diffuser's 304 substantially rectangular shape has dimensions of approximately 1 cm in width and approximately 1.5 cm in length. In yet another embodiment, the diffuser 304 has a substantially square shape with dimensions in the range of approximately 0.25-10 cm².

[0039] The light-absorbing detector filter 306, which is also depicted in FIG. 4A in a top view, is a planar surface having an opening 402 through which the emitted light may pass after being attenuated by the tissue measurement site 102. In the depicted embodiment, the opening 402 is rectangular-shaped, with

dimensions substantially similar to the irradiated surface area 206. According to an embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially rectangular in shape and has outer dimensions of 4 cm in width and 8 cm in length, and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the opening having dimensions of 2 cm in width and 5 cm in length. In another embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially rectangular in shape and has outer dimensions in the range of 1-3 cm in width and 2-8 cm in length, and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the opening having dimensions in the range of 0.25-2 cm in width and 1-4 cm in length. In yet another embodiment, the light-absorbing detector filter is substantially rectangular in shape and has outer dimensions of 3 cm in width and 6 cm in length, and has an opening through which emitted light may pass, the opening having dimensions of 1.5 cm in width and 4 cm in length.

[0040] The top surface of the light-absorbing filter 306 (facing the tissue measurement site 102 and the emitter 302) is coated with a material that absorbs light, such as, for example, black pigment. Many other types of light-absorbing materials are well known in the art and can be used with the detector filter 306. During operation, light emitted from the emitter 302 can reflect off of the tissue measurement site 102 (or other structures within the 3D sensor 300) to neighboring portions of the 3D sensor 300. If those neighboring portions of the 3D sensor 300 possess reflective surfaces, then the light can reflect back to the tissue measurement site 102, progress through the tissue and arrive at the detector 310. Such multiple scattering can result in detecting photons whose pathlengths are considerably longer than most of the light that is detected, thereby introducing variations in pathlength which will affect the accuracy of the measurements of the pulse oximetry 3D sensor 300. Advantageously, the light-absorbing filter 306 reduces or eliminates the amount of emitted light that is reflected in this manner because it absorbs such reflected light, thereby stopping the chain of scattering events. In certain embodiments, the sensor-facing surfaces of other portions of the 3D sensor 300 are covered in light-absorbing material to further decrease the effect of reflective multiple scattering.

[0041] The light concentrator 308 is a structure to receive the emitted optical radiation, after attenuation by the tissue measurement site 102, to collect and concentrate the dispersed optical radiation, and to direct the collected and concentrated optical radiation to the detector 310. In an embodiment, the light concentrator 308 is made of ground glass or glass beads. In some embodiments, the light concentrator 308 includes a compound parabolic concentrator.

[0042] As described above with respect to FIG. 1, the detector 310 captures and measures light from the tissue measurement site 102. For example, the detector 310 can capture and measure light transmitted from the emitter 302 that has been attenuated by the tissue in the measurement site 102. The detector 310 can output a detector signal responsive to the light captured or measured. The detector 310 can be implemented using one or more photodiodes, phototransistors, or the like. In addition, a plurality of detectors 310 can be arranged in an array with a spatial configuration corresponding to the irradiated surface area 206 to capture the attenuated or reflected light from the tissue measurement site.

[0043] Referring to FIG. 4A, a top view of a portion of the 3D sensor 300 is provided. The light-absorbing detector filter 306 is illustrated having a top surface coated with a light-absorbing material. The light-absorbing material can be a black opaque material or coating or any other dark color or coating configured to absorb light. Additionally, a rectangular opening 402 is positioned relative to the light concentrator 308 (shown in phantom) and the detector 310 such that light may pass through the rectangular opening 402, into the light concentrator 308, and to the detector 310. FIG. 4B illustrates the top view of a portion of the 3D sensor 300 as in FIG. 4A, with the addition of the tissue measurement site 102 in operational position. Accordingly, the rectangular opening 402, the light concentrator 308 and the detector 310 are shown in phantom as being under the tissue measurement site 102. In FIGS. 4A and 4B, the light concentrator 308 is shown to have dimensions significantly larger than the dimensions of the rectangular opening 402. In other embodiments, the dimensions of the light concentrator 308, the rectangular opening 402, and the irradiated surface area 206 are substantially similar.

[0044] FIG. 5 illustrates a top view of a 3D pulse oximetry sensor 500 according to an embodiment of the present disclosure. The 3D sensor 500 is configured to be worn on a patient's finger 102. The 3D sensor 500 includes an adhesive substrate 502 having front flaps 504 and rear flaps 506 extending outward from a center portion 508 of the 3D sensor 500. The center portion 508 includes components of the 3D pulse oximetry sensor 300 described with respect to FIGS. 3, 4A and 4B. On the front side of the adhesive substrate 502 the emitter 302 and the light diffuser 304 are positioned. On the rear side of the adhesive substrate 502 the light-absorbent detector filter 306, the light concentrator 308 and the detector 310 are positioned. In use, the patient's finger serving as the tissue measurement site 102 is positioned over the rectangular opening 402 such that when the front portion of the adhesive substrate is folded over on top of the patient's finger 102, the emitter 302 and the light diffuser 304 are aligned with the measurement site 102, the filter 306, the light concentrator 308 and the detector 310. Once alignment is established, the front and rear flaps 504, 506 can be wrapped around the finger measurement site 102 such that the adhesive substrate 502 provides a secure contact between the patient's skin and the 3D sensor 500. Fig. 5 also illustrates an example of a sensor connector cable 510 which is used to connect the 3D sensor 500 to a monitor 809, as described with respect to FIG. 8.

[0045] FIG. 6 is a simplified schematic illustration of a conventional, 2D approach to reflective pulse oximetry in which the emitter is configured to emit optical radiation as a point optical source. Reflective pulse oximetry is a method by which the emitter and detector are located on the same side of the tissue measurement site 102. Light is emitted into a tissue measurement site 102 and attenuated. The emitted light passes into the tissue 102 and is then reflected back to the same side of the tissue measurement site 102 as the emitter. As illustrated in FIG. 6, a depicted reflective 2D pulse oximetry sensor 600 includes an emitter 602, a light block 606, and a detector 610. The light block 606 is necessary because the emitter 602 and the detector 610 are located on the same side of the tissue measurement site 102. Accordingly, the light block 606 prevents incident emitter light, which did not enter the tissue measurement site 102, from arriving at the

detector 610. The depicted 2D pulse oximetry sensor 600 is configured to emit light as a point source. As depicted in FIG. 6, a simplified illustration of the light path 620 of the emitted light from the emitter 602, through the tissue measurement site 102, and to the detector 610 is provided. Notably, a point source of light is emitted, and a point source of light is detected. As discussed above with respect to FIG. 1, use of a point optical source can result in substantial measurement error due to pathlength variability resulting from the multiple scatter phenomenon. The sample space provided by a 2D point optical emitter source is not large enough to account for pathlength variability, which will skew measurement results.

[0046] FIGS. 7A and 7B are simplified schematic side and top views, respectively, of a 3D reflective pulse oximetry sensor 700 according to an embodiment of the present disclosure. In the illustrated embodiment, the 3D sensor 700 irradiates the tissue measurement site 102 and detects the emitted light that is reflected by the tissue measurement site 102. The 3D sensor 700 can be placed on a portion of the patient's body that has relatively flat surface, such as, for example a wrist, because the emitter 702 and detector 710 are on located the same side of the tissue measurement site 102. The 3D sensor 700 includes an emitter 702, a light diffuser 704, a light block 706, a light concentrator 708, and a detector 710.

[0047] As previously described, the emitter 702 can serve as the source of optical radiation transmitted towards the tissue measurement site 102. The emitter 702 can include one or more sources of optical radiation. Such sources of optical radiation can include LEDs, laser diodes, incandescent bulbs with appropriate frequency-selective filters, combinations of the same, or the like. In an embodiment, the emitter 702 includes sets of optical sources that are capable of emitting visible and near-infrared optical radiation. In some embodiments, the emitter 702 transmits optical radiation of red and infrared wavelengths, at approximately 650 nm and approximately 940 nm, respectively. In some embodiments, the emitter 702 includes a single source of optical radiation.

[0048] The light diffuser 704 receives the optical radiation emitted from the emitter 302 and homogenously spreads the optical radiation over a wide, donut-shaped area, such as the area outlined by the light diffuser 704 as depicted in FIG.

7B. Advantageously, the diffuser 704 can receive emitted light in the form of a 2D point optical source (or any other form) and spread the light to fit the desired surface area on a plane defined by the surface of the tissue measurement site 102. In an embodiment, the diffuser 704 is made of ground glass or glass beads. A skilled artisan will understand that many other materials can be used to make the light diffuser 704.

[0049] The light blocker 706 includes an annular ring having a cover portion 707 sized and shaped to form a light isolation chamber for the light concentrator 708 and the detector 710. (For purposes of illustration, the light block cover 707 is not illustrated in FIG. 7B.) The light blocker 706 and the cover 707 can be made of any material that optically isolates the light concentrator 708 and the detector 710. The light isolation chamber formed by the light blocker 706 and cover 707 ensures that the only light detected by the detector 710 is light that is reflected from the tissue measurement site.

[0050] The light concentrator 708 is a cylindrical structure with a truncated circular conical structure on top, the truncated section of which is adjacent the detector 710. The light concentrator 708 is structured to receive the emitted optical radiation, after reflection by the tissue measurement site 102, and to direct the reflected light to the detector 710. In an embodiment, the light concentrator 708 is made of ground glass or glass beads. In some embodiments, the light concentrator 708 includes a compound parabolic concentrator.

[0051] As previously described, the detector 710 captures and measures light from the tissue measurement site 102. For example, the detector 710 can capture and measure light transmitted from the emitter 702 that has been reflected from the tissue in the measurement site 102. The detector 710 can output a detector signal responsive to the light captured or measured. The detector 710 can be implemented using one or more photodiodes, phototransistors, or the like. In addition, a plurality of detectors 710 can be arranged in an array with a spatial configuration corresponding to the irradiated surface area depicted in FIG. 7B by the light concentrator 708 to capture the reflected light from the tissue measurement site.

[0052] Advantageously, the light path 720 illustrated in FIG. 7A depicts a substantial sample of reflected light that enter the light isolation chamber formed by the light blocker 706 and cover 707. As previously discussed, the large sample of reflected light (as compared to the reflected light collected using the 2D point optical source approach) provides the opportunity to take an average of the detected light, to derive a more accurate measurement of the emitted light absorbed by the tissue, which will lead to a more accurate oxygen saturation measurement.

[0053] Referring now to FIG. 7B, a top view of the 3D sensor 700 is illustrated with both the emitter 702 and the light blocker cover 707 removed for ease of illustration. The outer ring illustrates the footprint of the light diffuser 704. As light is emitted from the emitter 702 (not shown in FIG. 7B), it is diffused homogenously and directed to the tissue measurement site 102. The light blocker 706 forms the circular wall of a light isolation chamber to keep incident light from being sensed by the detector 710. The light blocker cover 707 blocks incidental light from entering the light isolation chamber from above. The light concentrator 710 collects the reflected light from the tissue measurement site 102 and funnels it upward toward the detector 710 at the center of the 3D sensor 700.

[0054] FIG. 8 illustrates an example of an optical physiological measurement system 800, which may also be referred to herein as a pulse oximetry system 800. In certain embodiments, the pulse oximetry system 800 noninvasively measures a blood analyte, such as oxygen, carboxyhemoglobin, methemoglobin, total hemoglobin, glucose, proteins, lipids, a percentage thereof (*e.g.*, saturation), pulse rate, perfusion index, oxygen content, total hemoglobin, Oxygen Reserve Index™ (ORI™) or many other physiologically relevant patient characteristics. These characteristics can relate to, for example, pulse rate, hydration, trending information and analysis, and the like. The system 800 can also measure additional blood analytes and/or other physiological parameters useful in determining a state or trend of wellness of a patient.

[0055] The pulse oximetry system 800 can measure analyte concentrations at least in part by detecting optical radiation attenuated by tissue at a

measurement site 102. The measurement site 102 can be any location on a patient's body, such as a finger, foot, earlobe, wrist, forehead, or the like.

[0056] The pulse oximetry system 800 can include a sensor 801 (or multiple sensors) that is coupled to a processing device or physiological monitor 809. In an embodiment, the sensor 801 and the monitor 809 are integrated together into a single unit. In another embodiment, the sensor 801 and the monitor 809 are separate from each other and communicate with one another in any suitable manner, such as via a wired or wireless connection. The sensor 801 and monitor 809 can be attachable and detachable from each other for the convenience of the user or caregiver, for ease of storage, sterility issues, or the like.

[0057] In the depicted embodiment shown in FIG. 8, the sensor 801 includes an emitter 804, a detector 806, and a front-end interface 808. The emitter 804 can serve as the source of optical radiation transmitted towards measurement site 102. The emitter 804 can include one or more sources of optical radiation, such as light emitting diodes (LEDs), laser diodes, incandescent bulbs with appropriate frequency-selective filters, combinations of the same, or the like. In an embodiment, the emitter 804 includes sets of optical sources that are capable of emitting visible and near-infrared optical radiation.

[0058] The pulse oximetry system 800 also includes a driver 811 that drives the emitter 804. The driver 111 can be a circuit or the like that is controlled by the monitor 809. For example, the driver 811 can provide pulses of current to the emitter 804. In an embodiment, the driver 811 drives the emitter 804 in a progressive fashion, such as in an alternating manner. The driver 811 can drive the emitter 804 with a series of pulses for some wavelengths that can penetrate tissue relatively well and for other wavelengths that tend to be significantly absorbed in tissue. A wide variety of other driving powers and driving methodologies can be used in various embodiments. The driver 811 can be synchronized with other parts of the sensor 801 to minimize or reduce jitter in the timing of pulses of optical radiation emitted from the emitter 804. In some embodiments, the driver 811 is capable of driving the emitter 804 to emit optical radiation in a pattern that varies by less than about 10 parts-per-million.

[0059] The detector 806 captures and measures light from the tissue measurement site 102. For example, the detector 806 can capture and measure light transmitted from the emitter 804 that has been attenuated or reflected from the tissue at the measurement site 102. The detector 806 can output a detector signal 107 responsive to the light captured and measured. The detector 806 can be implemented using one or more photodiodes, phototransistors, or the like. In some embodiments, a detector 806 is implemented in detector package to capture and measure light from the tissue measurement site 102 of the patient. The detector package can include a photodiode chip mounted to leads and enclosed in an encapsulant. In some embodiments, the dimensions of the detector package are approximately 2 square centimeters. In other embodiments, the dimensions of the detector package are approximately 1.5 centimeters in width and approximately 2 centimeters in length.

[0060] The front-end interface 808 provides an interface that adapts the output of the detectors 806, which is responsive to desired physiological parameters. For example, the front-end interface 808 can adapt the signal 807 received from the detector 806 into a form that can be processed by the monitor 809, for example, by a signal processor 810 in the monitor 809. The front-end interface 808 can have its components assembled in the sensor 801, in the monitor 809, in a connecting cabling (if used), in combinations of the same, or the like. The location of the front-end interface 808 can be chosen based on various factors including space desired for components, desired noise reductions or limits, desired heat reductions or limits, and the like.

[0061] The front-end interface 808 can be coupled to the detector 806 and to the signal processor 810 using a bus, wire, electrical or optical cable, flex circuit, or some other form of signal connection. The front-end interface 808 can also be at least partially integrated with various components, such as the detectors 806. For example, the front-end interface 808 can include one or more integrated circuits that are on the same circuit board as the detector 806. Other configurations can also be used.

[0062] As shown in FIG. 8, the monitor 909 can include the signal processor 810 and a user interface, such as a display 812. The monitor 809 can also include optional outputs alone or in combination with the display 812, such as a storage device 814 and a network interface 816. In an embodiment, the signal processor 810 includes processing logic that determines measurements for desired analytes based on the signals received from the detector 806. The signal processor 810 can be implemented using one or more microprocessors or sub-processors (*e.g.*, cores), digital signal processors, application specific integrated circuits (ASICs), field programmable gate arrays (FPGAs), combinations of the same, and the like.

[0063] The signal processor 810 can provide various signals that control the operation of the sensor 801. For example, the signal processor 810 can provide an emitter control signal to the driver 811. This control signal can be useful in order to synchronize, minimize, or reduce jitter in the timing of pulses emitted from the emitter 804. Accordingly, this control signal can be useful in order to cause optical radiation pulses emitted from the emitter 804 to follow a precise timing and consistent pattern. For example, when a transimpedance-based front-end interface 808 is used, the control signal from the signal processor 810 can provide synchronization with an analog-to-digital converter (ADC) in order to avoid aliasing, cross-talk, and the like. As also shown, an optional memory 813 can be included in the front-end interface 808 and/or in the signal processor 810. This memory 813 can serve as a buffer or storage location for the front-end interface 808 and/or the signal processor 810, among other uses.

[0064] The user interface 812 can provide an output, *e.g.*, on a display, for presentation to a user of the pulse oximetry system 800. The user interface 812 can be implemented as a touch-screen display, a liquid crystal display (LCD), an organic LED display, or the like. In alternative embodiments, the pulse oximetry system 800 can be provided without a user interface 812 and can simply provide an output signal to a separate display or system.

[0065] The storage device 814 and a network interface 816 represent other optional output connections that can be included in the monitor 809. The

storage device 814 can include any computer-readable medium, such as a memory device, hard disk storage, EEPROM, flash drive, or the like. The various software and/or firmware applications can be stored in the storage device 814, which can be executed by the signal processor 810 or another processor of the monitor 809. The network interface 816 can be a serial bus port (RS-232/RS-485), a Universal Serial Bus (USB) port, an Ethernet port, a wireless interface (*e.g.*, WiFi such as any 802.1x interface, including an internal wireless card), or other suitable communication device(s) that allows the monitor 809 to communicate and share data with other devices. The monitor 809 can also include various other components not shown, such as a microprocessor, graphics processor, or controller to output the user interface 812, to control data communications, to compute data trending, or to perform other operations.

[0066] Although not shown in the depicted embodiment, the pulse oximetry system 800 can include various other components or can be configured in different ways. For example, the sensor 801 can have both the emitter 804 and detector 806 on the same side of the tissue measurement site 102 and use reflectance to measure analytes.

[0067] Although the foregoing disclosure has been described in terms of certain preferred embodiments, many other variations than those described herein will be apparent to those of ordinary skill in the art.

[0068] Conditional language used herein, such as, among others, "can," "might," "may," "*e.g.*," and the like, unless specifically stated otherwise, or otherwise understood within the context as used, is generally intended to convey that certain embodiments include, while other embodiments do not include, certain features, elements and/or states. Thus, such conditional language is not generally intended to imply that features, elements and/or states are in any way required for one or more embodiments or that one or more embodiments necessarily include logic for deciding, with or without author input or prompting, whether these features, elements and/or states are included or are to be performed in any particular embodiment. The terms "comprising," "including," "having," and the like are synonymous and are used inclusively, in an open-ended fashion, and do not

exclude additional elements, features, acts, operations, and so forth. Also, the term "or" is used in its inclusive sense (and not in its exclusive sense) so that when used, for example, to connect a list of elements, the term "or" means one, some, or all of the elements in the list. Further, the term "each," as used herein, in addition to having its ordinary meaning, can mean any subset of a set of elements to which the term "each" is applied.

[0069] While the above detailed description has shown, described, and pointed out novel features as applied to various embodiments, it will be understood that various omissions, substitutions, and changes in the form and details of the systems, devices or algorithms illustrated can be made without departing from the spirit of the disclosure. As will be recognized, certain embodiments of the disclosure described herein can be embodied within a form that does not provide all of the features and benefits set forth herein, as some features can be used or practiced separately from others.

[0070] The term "and/or" herein has its broadest, least limiting meaning which is the disclosure includes A alone, B alone, both A and B together, or A or B alternatively, but does not require both A and B or require one of A or one of B. As used herein, the phrase "at least one of" A, B, "and" C should be construed to mean a logical A or B or C, using a non-exclusive logical or.

[0071] The apparatuses and methods described herein may be implemented by one or more computer programs executed by one or more processors. The computer programs include processor-executable instructions that are stored on a non-transitory tangible computer readable medium. The computer programs may also include stored data. Non-limiting examples of the non-transitory tangible computer readable medium are nonvolatile memory, magnetic storage, and optical storage. Although the foregoing disclosure has been described in terms of certain preferred embodiments, other embodiments will be apparent to those of ordinary skill in the art from the disclosure herein. Additionally, other combinations, omissions, substitutions and modifications will be apparent to the skilled artisan in view of the disclosure herein. Accordingly, the present invention is not intended to

be limited by the description of the preferred embodiments, but is to be defined by reference to claims.

[0072] Additionally, all publications, patents, and patent applications mentioned in this specification are herein incorporated by reference to the same extent as if each individual publication, patent, or patent application were specifically and individually indicated to be incorporated by reference.

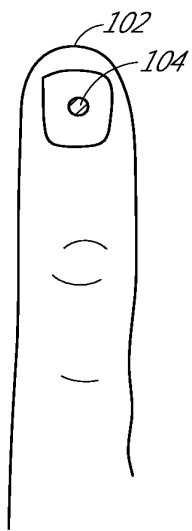


FIG. 1
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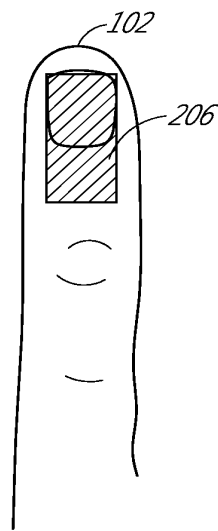


FIG. 2

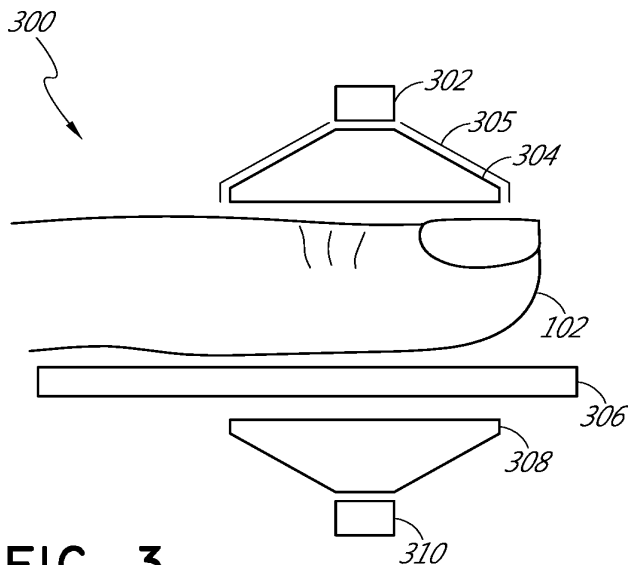


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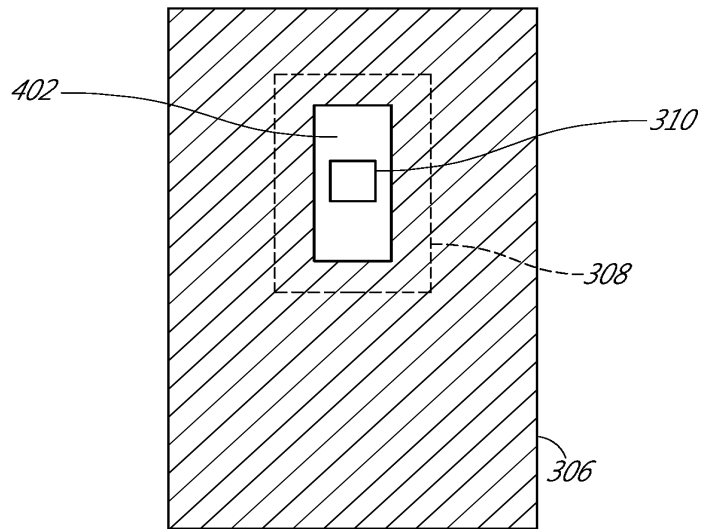


FIG. 4A

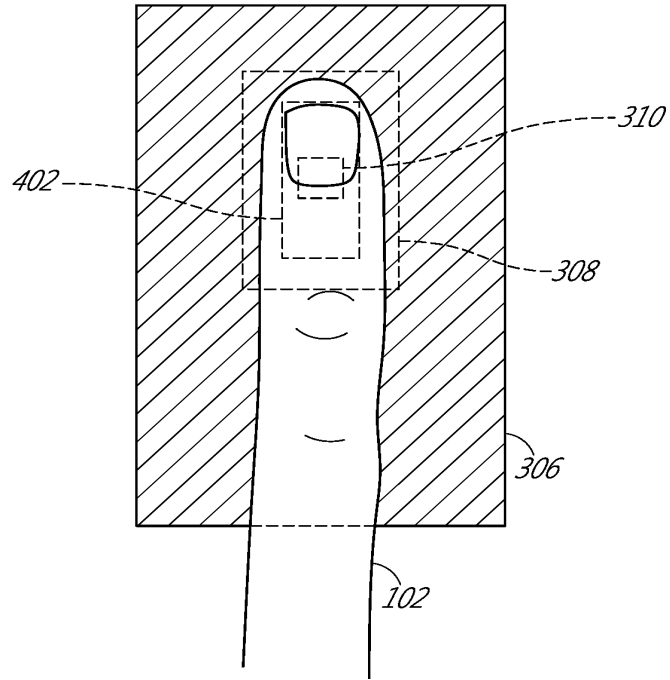


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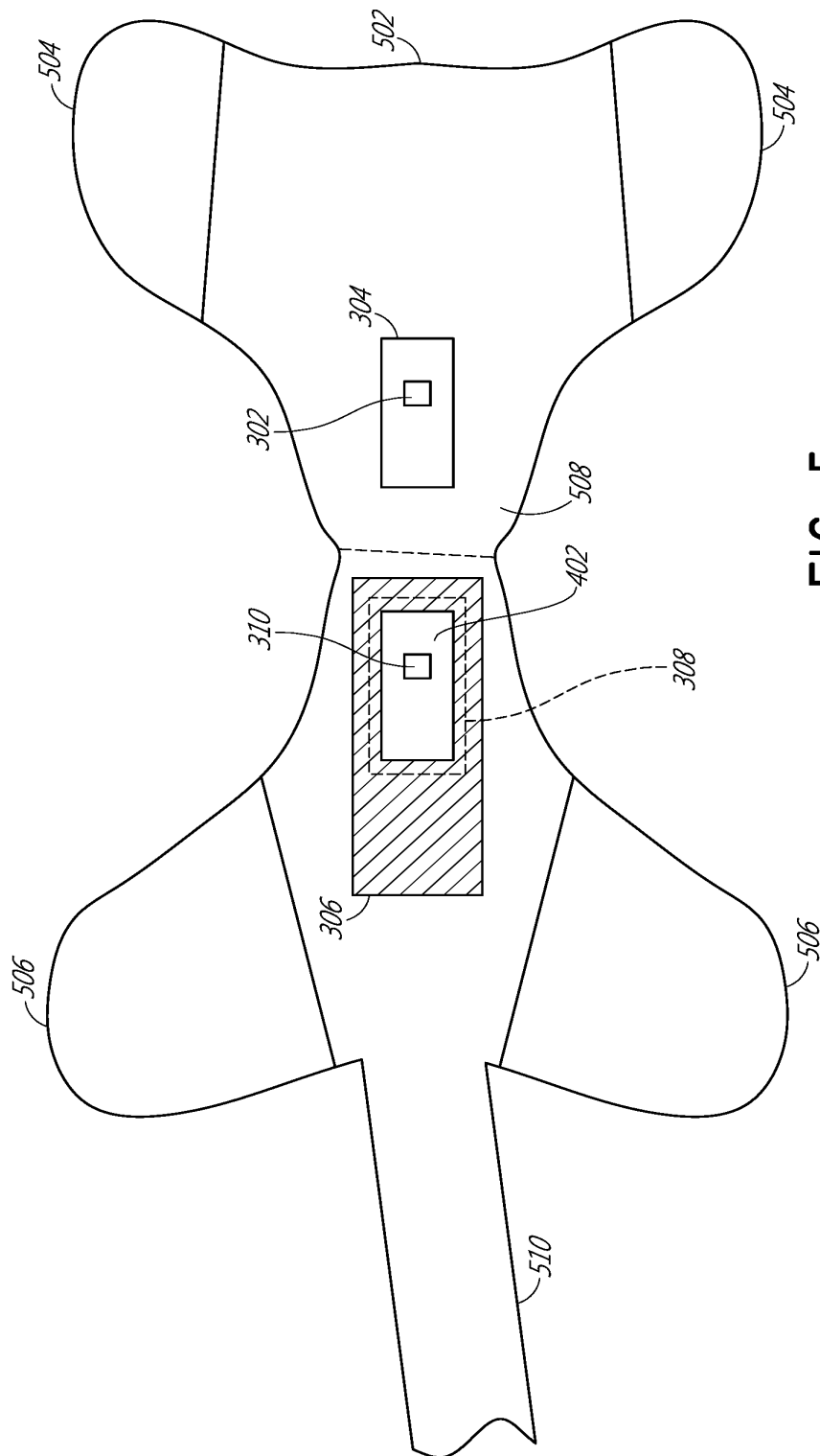


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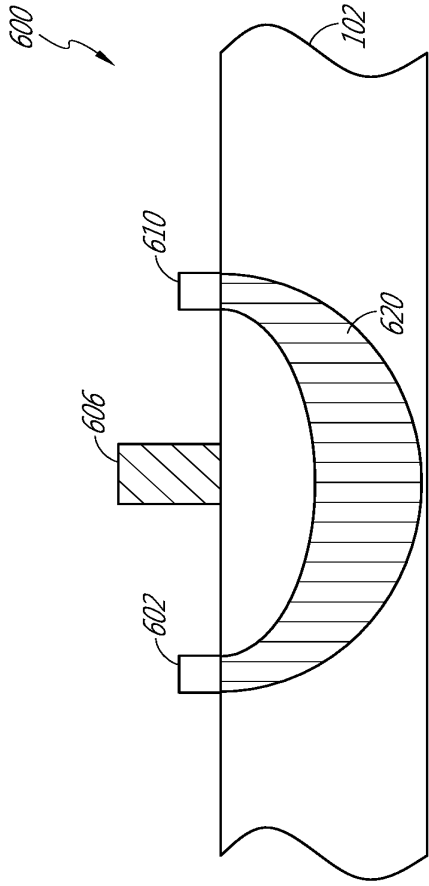


FIG. 6
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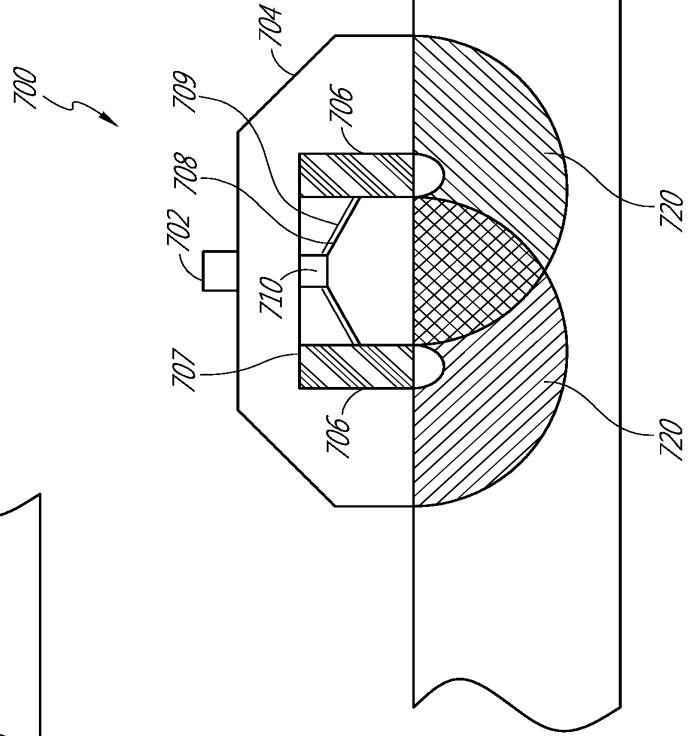


FIG. 7A

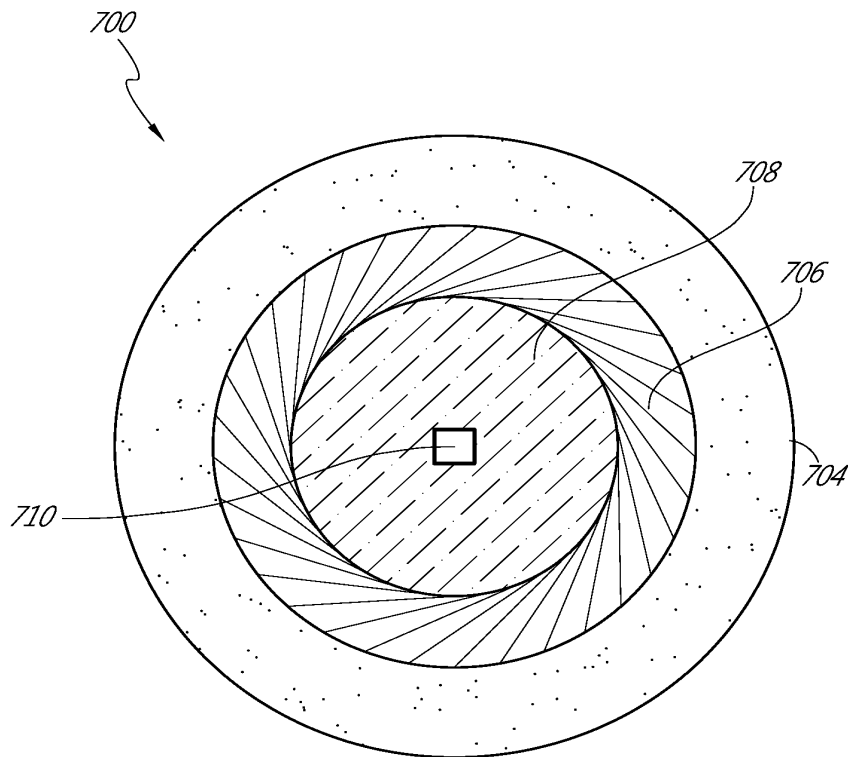


FIG. 7B

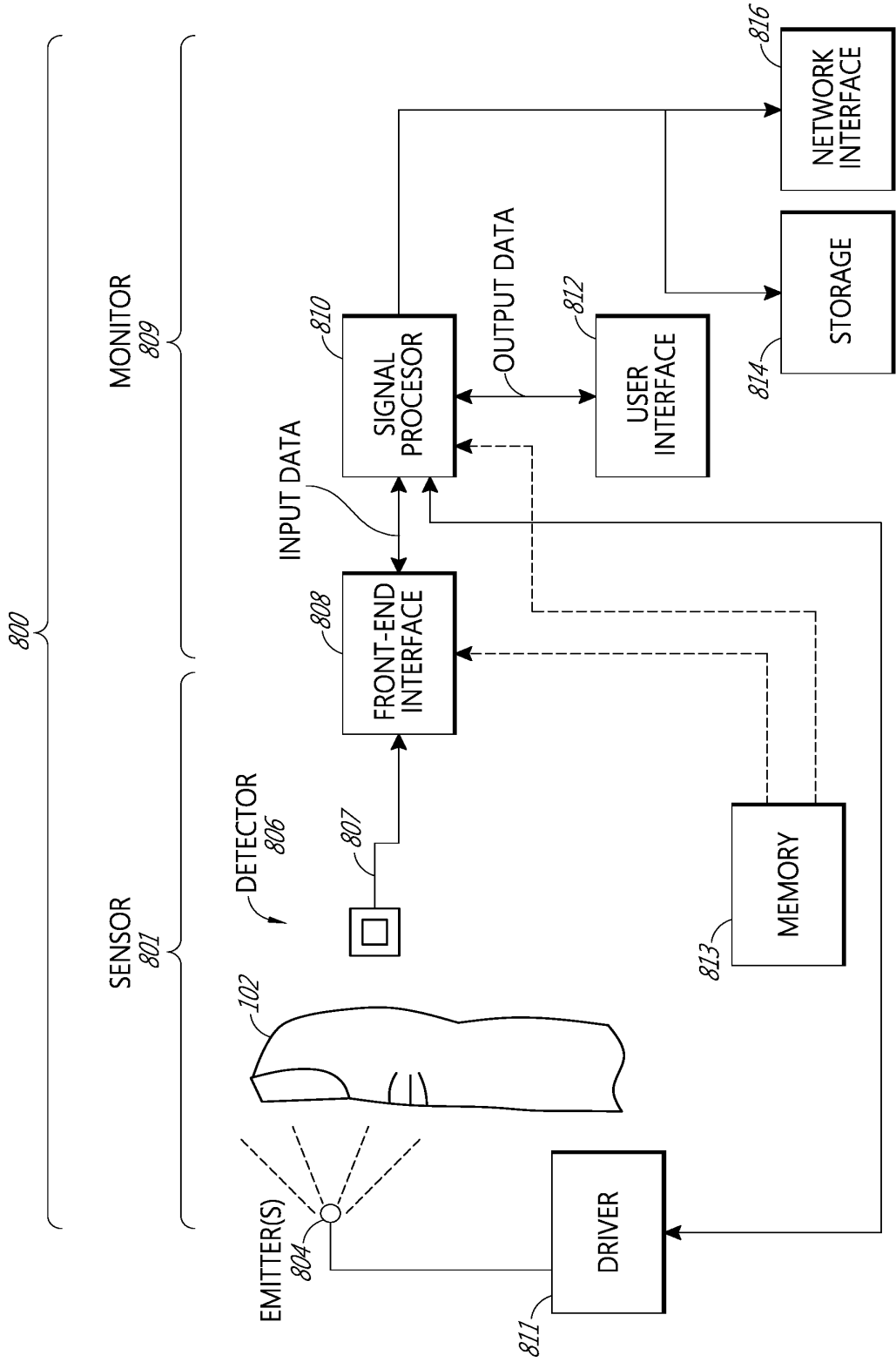


FIG. 8

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REMARKS

Prior to examination, please amend the Specification and Claims as shown herein. Accompanying this Amendment is both a marked up and clean version of the specification.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

A complete listing of all claims is presented below with insertions underlined (e.g., insertion), and deletions struck through or in double brackets (e.g., ~~deletion~~ or [[deletion]]).

1-36. **(Cancelled)**

37. **(New)** A circular-shaped reflective pulse oximetry device configured for placement on a user at a tissue measurement site, the device comprising:

a plurality of emitters configured to emit light towards the tissue measurement site, the tissue measurement site being located on a wrist of the user, wherein pulsatile blood flows within tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site and the light emitted from the plurality of emitters penetrates the pulsatile blood flowing within the tissue when the circular-shaped reflective pulse oximetry device is in use, the plurality of emitters comprising one or more light-emitting diodes (LEDs) configured to emit one or more wavelengths, the one or more wavelengths comprising at least an infrared wavelength, and wherein, when the circular-shaped reflective pulse oximetry device is placed on the user at the tissue measurement site, the plurality of emitters are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on a first side of the tissue measurement site;

a plurality of detectors configured to detect the light emitted by the plurality of emitters after attenuation by and reflection from the pulsatile blood flowing through tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site, wherein the plurality of detectors comprise one or more photodiodes, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on the first side of the tissue measurement site when the circular-shaped reflective pulse oximetry device is placed on the user, the plurality of detectors further configured to transmit a signal responsive to the detected light to a processor, the processor configured to receive the transmitted signal responsive to the detected light and determine a physiological parameter indicative of a state or trend of wellness of the user;

a light block comprising a circular wall, wherein the light block is positioned between the emitted light at the tissue measurement site and the plurality of detectors when the circular-shaped reflective pulse oximetry device is placed on the user, the light block forming a light isolation chamber defined by the circular wall, wherein the light

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isolation chamber reduces an amount of incident light emitted from the plurality of emitters from being detected by the plurality of detectors; and

a display configured to present information related to the determined physiological parameter to the user.

38. (New) The reflective pulse oximetry device of Claim 37, further comprising a diffuser which receives, spreads, and emits the spread light, wherein the emitted spread light is directed at the tissue measurement site.

39. (New) The reflective pulse oximetry device of Claim 37, wherein the plurality of emitters are positioned outside the circular wall when the reflective pulse oximetry device is placed on the user at the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are positioned inside the circular wall when the reflective pulse oximetry device is placed on the user at the tissue measurement site.

40. (New) The reflective pulse oximetry device of Claim 37, further comprising a concentrator which receives the light after attenuation by tissue of the user, concentrates the received light, and directs the concentrated light toward the plurality of detectors.

41. (New) The reflective pulse oximetry device of Claim 37, wherein the physiological parameter is arterial oxygen saturation.

42. (New) The reflective pulse oximetry sensor of Claim 37, wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array with a spacial configuration corresponding to an irradiated surface area.

43. (New) The reflective pulse oximetry sensor of Claim 42, wherein the irradiated surface area comprises a circular shape.

44. (New) A method of measuring a physiological parameter in a user's blood, the method comprising:

emitting, from a plurality of emitters of a reflective pulse oximetry device, light of one or more wavelengths toward a tissue measurement site comprising pulsatile blood flow, the tissue measurement site located on a lower arm of the user, wherein the light emitted from the plurality of emitters penetrates the pulsatile blood flowing within tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of emitters comprise one or more light-emitting diodes (LEDs) and the one or more wavelengths comprises at

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least an infrared wavelength, the plurality of emitters arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on a first side of the tissue measurement site when the reflective pulse oximetry device is placed on the user at the tissue measurement site;

detecting, with a plurality of detectors, the light emitted by the plurality of emitters after attenuation by and reflection from the pulsatile blood flowing through tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site, wherein the plurality of detectors comprise one or more photodiodes, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on the first side of the tissue measurement site when the reflective pulse oximetry device is placed on the user at the tissue measurement site; and

providing a light block comprising a circular wall, wherein the light block is positioned between the emitted light at the tissue measurement site and the plurality of detectors when the reflective pulse oximetry device is placed on the user, the light block forming a light isolation chamber defined by the circular wall, and wherein the light isolation chamber reduces an amount of incident light emitted from the plurality of emitters from being detected by the plurality of detectors;

transmitting, from the plurality of detectors, a signal responsive to the detected light;

receiving, by a processor, the transmitted signal responsive to the detected light; and

processing, by the processor, the received signal responsive to the detected light to determine a physiological parameter.

45. **(New)** The method of Claim 44, wherein the plurality of emitters are positioned outside the circular wall when the reflective pulse oximetry device is placed on the user at the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are positioned inside the circular wall when the reflective pulse oximetry device is placed on the user at the tissue measurement site.

46. **(New)** The method of Claim 44, further comprising presenting, with a display of the reflective pulse oximetry device, information related to the determined physiological parameter to the user.

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47. (New) The reflective pulse oximetry sensor of Claim 44, further comprising spreading, with a diffuser, the emitted light and emitting the spread light from the diffuser to the tissue measurement site.

48. (New) The reflective pulse oximetry sensor of Claim 44, wherein the physiological parameter is indicative of at least one of pulse rate, perfusion index, oxygen content, and total hemoglobin.

49. (New) The reflective pulse oximetry sensor of Claim 44, wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array with a spacial configuration corresponding to an irradiated surface area.

50. (New) The reflective pulse oximetry sensor of Claim 49, wherein the irradiated surface area comprises a circular shape.

51. (New) A reflective pulse oximetry sensor comprising:

a plurality of optical sources configured to emit light towards a tissue measurement site on a user, the tissue measurement site located on a wrist of the user, wherein pulsatile blood flows within tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site and the light emitted from the plurality of optical sources penetrates the pulsatile blood flowing within the tissue when the reflective pulse oximetry device is in use, the plurality of optical sources comprising one or more light-emitting diodes (LEDs) configured to emit one or more wavelengths, the one or more wavelengths comprising at least an infrared wavelength, and wherein, when the reflective pulse oximetry device is placed on the user at the tissue measurement site, the plurality of optical sources are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on a first side of the tissue measurement site;

a plurality of detectors configured to detect the light emitted by the plurality of emitters after attenuation by and reflection from the pulsatile blood flowing through tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site, wherein the plurality of detectors comprise one or more photodiodes, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in a reflectance measurement configuration on the first side of the tissue measurement site when the reflective pulse oximetry device is placed on the user, the plurality of detectors further configured to transmit a signal responsive to the detected light to a processor, the processor configured to receive the transmitted signal responsive to the detected light and

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determine a physiological parameter indicative of a state or trend of wellness of the user;
and

a light block comprising a circular wall, wherein the light block is positioned between the emitted light at the tissue measurement site and the plurality of detectors when the reflective pulse oximetry device is placed on the user, the light block forming a light isolation chamber defined by the circular wall, wherein the light isolation chamber reduces an amount of incident light emitted from the plurality of emitters from arriving at the plurality of detectors.

52. (New) The reflective pulse oximetry sensor of Claim 51, wherein the plurality of optical sources are user outside the circular wall when the reflective pulse oximetry sensor is placed on the user at the tissue measurement site, and wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged inside the circular wall when the reflective pulse oximetry sensor is placed on the user at the tissue measurement site.

53. (New) The reflective pulse oximetry sensor of Claim 51, wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged in an array so as to capture the emitted light reflected from the tissue of the user at the tissue measurement site.

54. (New) The reflective pulse oximetry sensor of Claim 51, wherein the plurality of detectors are arranged with a spacial configuration corresponding to an irradiated surface area.

55. (New) The reflective pulse oximetry sensor of Claim 51, further comprising a diffuser which receives, spreads, and emits the spread light, wherein the emitted spread light is directed at the tissue measurement site.

56. (New) The reflective pulse oximetry sensor of Claim 51, further comprising a display configured to present information related to the determined physiological parameter to the user.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the originally filed specification as set forth below.

Please amend Paragraph [0020] as follows:

[0020] FIG. 1 illustrates a conventional approach to two-dimensional pulse oximetry in which the emitter is configured to emit optical radiation as a point optical source.

Please amend Paragraph [0021] as follows:

[0021] FIG. 2 illustrates the disclosed three-dimensional approach to pulse oximetry in which the emitted light irradiates a substantially larger volume of tissue as compared to the point source approach described with respect to ~~FIG. 2A~~FIG. 1.

Please amend Paragraph [0022] as follows:

[0022] FIG. 3 illustrates schematically a side view of a three-dimensional pulse oximetry sensor according to an embodiment of the present disclosure.

Please amend Paragraph [0023] as follows:

[0023] FIG. 4A is a top view of a portion of a three-dimensional pulse oximetry sensor according to an embodiment of the present disclosure.

Please amend Paragraph [0024] as follows:

[0024] FIG. 4B illustrates the top view of a portion of the three-dimensional pulse oximetry sensor shown in FIG. 4A, with the addition of a tissue measurement site in operational position.

Please amend Paragraph [0025] as follows:

[0025] FIG. 5 illustrates a top view of a three-dimensional pulse oximetry sensor according to an embodiment of the present disclosure.

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Please amend Paragraph [0026] as follows:

[0026] FIG. 6 illustrates a conventional two-dimensional approach to reflective pulse oximetry in which the emitter is configured to emit optical radiation as a point optical source.

Please amend Paragraph [0027] as follows:

[0027] FIG. 7A is a simplified schematic side view illustration of a reflective three-dimensional pulse oximetry sensor according to an embodiment of the present disclosure.

Please amend Paragraph [0028] as follows:

[0028] FIG. 7B is a simplified schematic top view illustration of the three-dimensional reflective pulse oximetry sensor of FIG. 7A.