Smart Sensor Systems for Invasive Pressure Monitoring

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pressure in abdominal aortic aneurysm





gastric/intestinal pressure



bladder pressure







Surface Micromachined Capacitive Pressure Sensor

A miniaturized plate capacitor for pressure measurement



-> miniaturization and low power consumption





CMOS integration



-> integrated single chip solution



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- 3 Side ventricle
- 4 Third ventricle

1 Cranium

2 Brain

- 5 Cerebrospinal fluid
- 6 Fourth ventricle









ventricular-peritoneal shunt with externally adjustable valve

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Monolithically integrated capacitive pressure sensors



ventricular shunt with externally adjustable valve and integrated pressure measurement

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- In Germany approximately 10 million people suffer from hypertension (highly increased blood pressure)
- About 10% of them have problems to control their blood pressure
- Approximately 10% of this group are candidates for a longterm-pressure-monitoring







Implantable, wireless long-term monitoring system (24 hours / 7 days) for:

- blood pressure
- heart frequency
- blood pulse

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cardiac rhythm





Intravascular monitoring system for hypertonia (HYPER-IMS)









System test

- → implantation of the sensor-tip into the arteria femoralis of a sheap
- → subcutaneous placement of the transponder unit
 → acute and chronic in-vivo testing



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- By microsystem technology systems can strongly be miniaturized so that implantation becomes possible
- New applications will be possible (e.g. implants to measure and regulate brain pressure as one example)
- In future intelligent implants and protheses will support strongly the field of "home care"

Challenges

- Long term stability of flexible "intelligent" implants
- Further miniaturization
- Energy harvesting
- Assumption of cost by health insurances

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