

SEMI Public Private Partnerships: Wearables Case Study

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How do we define "wearable"?



What is a wearable?

An electronic device to augment human senses or capabilities <u>worn</u> on an individual

Pre-electronic wearables



Prehistoric Inuit Snow-Goggles, circa 1200 (Canadian Museum of Civilization, 1997).



Table watch \rightarrow Pocket watch, 1510

1770 - Self winding watch mechanism1780 - Pedometer (Perrelet)

1880s Electrodermal Activity (Fere, Tarchenoff)

- 1903 EKG (Einthoven)
- 1921 Skin conductance response (aka GSR (polygraph))



1923 – Pedometer patent 1938 – Wearable Hearing Aid

1965 – Commercial pedometer Manpo-Kei (Hatano)





No major changes in form factors since early commercialization

Wrist based



1915

Why?



2018

Ear based





1938

2018

- Human form factors have not changed.
- Silicon microelectronics are rectilinear, like most pre-electronic mechanisms
- Fashion designers and electronics designers are now beginning to collaborate
- Soft/hard material termination, flexible component miniaturization, device reliability, cost



Case Study: Fitness Trackers (1 of 2)



- Began as AliphCom military audio technology
- Market timing success with the Bluetooth headset
- Led Bluetooth audio players
- Initial wearable success with Jawbone Up fitness tracker
- \$950 Million (USD) in Venture Capital Funding with \$3.2Billion USD valuation
- Differentiator: Design



- Inspired by the Nintendo Wii
- Multiple generations of products
- Market timing success after Jawbone recall
- Went public June 2015; maximum market capitalization > \$11 Billion (USD) now 1.2B USD
- Lost market leadership position to Xiaomi
- Differentiator: Socialization



Case Study: Fitness Trackers (2 of 2)

Winners: Smart Watches, Sports watch, Band Trackers

- Smart Watch: Apple (iOS), Samsung (Android)
 - Established Ecosystems
 - Phone integration
 - Brand awareness
 - Quality and reliability
- Sport Watch: Garmin
 - Well defined user base (athletes)
 - GPS integration
 - Longer product life cycles
 - Long battery life
 - Open ecosystem



Fraining Status

Productive

- Garmin band
 - Long battery life
 - Reliability
 - Low cost Garmin option



- Xiaomi
 - Large feature set at 20% of other tracker costs
 - Large display
 - Band options





Technology Evolution Needed

Technology evolution in wearables has been incremental

- Miniaturization
- Double sided boards
- Incorporation of some printed electronics
- In mold electronics

Why?

- Market timing
- Manufacturing retooling constraints; high volume wearables are manufactured like cell phones.

Opportunities

- Form Factors
 - Patches
 - Consumer familiarity
 - No electronic interface required
 - Textiles
 - Existing automation
 - Soft/Hard material termination tools need scale-up
- Power
 - Extreme low power devices
 - Sensing/communicating on demand
 - Energy harvesting



Wearables, Revisited IoT Technology Hype Cycles



Wearables are things (IoT)

Gartner IoT definition

"Dedicated physical objects that contain embedded technology to sense or interact with their internal state or external environment"

"IoT comprises an ecosystem that includes devices (things), communication, middleware, applications, and data analysis."



- 20.4 billion devices by 2020
- Business applications well defined
- Consumer lagging
- 33% CAGR through 2020

Wearables are a subset of IoT devices

Observations

- Semiconductors dominate IoT devices
- Flexible electronics CAGR estimates range widely; the average is roughly 13%.
- Health/wellness leads growth for flexible electronics



Gartner Hype Cycle





Gartner Hype Cycle For Emerging Technologies, 2015

- Innovation Trigger:
 - BCI
 - Quantum
- Peak of Inflated Expectations
 - Autonomous Vehicles
 - Internet of Things
- Trough of Disillusionment
 - Augment Reality
 - Cryptocurrency Exchange
- Slope of Enlightenment
 - Gesture Control

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- Enterprise 3D Printing



Gartner Hype Cycle For Emerging Technologies, 2018

- Innovation Trigger:
 - Blockchain for data security
 - Neuromorphic hardware
- Peak of Inflated Expectations
 - Deep Learning
 - Carbon Nanotubes
- Trough of Disillusionment
 - Connected Home
 - Mixed Reality

Hype Cycle for Emerging Technologies, 2018





Wearables in the Hype Cycle

Data taken from Gartner, 2018 Bolding by speaker

On The Rise	At the Peak	Sliding into Trough	Climbing Slope
Skin Bio Patch	Mobile EKG devices	Biometric Earbuds	Connected Personal Hearing Devices
Exoskeleton	Electromyography wearables	Head Mounted Displays	Positive Patient Identification
Galvanic Skin Response	Wearable UV monitors	Smart Watches	Wristbands
Head Mounted EEG	Smart garments		Personal Trackers
Smart Footwear	Wearable Speech Based Controller		Sports Watches
Noninvasive glucose monitors	Gesture control devices		Mobile Personal Emergency Response Systems
Smart Badges	Wearable blood pressure monitors		
Coming out of R&D	Utilizes existing tech		Adopted

CES 2019: A Small Selection of Exhibited Wearables



Withings Move ECG

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Willow 2 Breast Pump



Exosystems exoRehab





sphero specdrums



La Roche Posay My Skin Track pH

A Second to Last Look at Gartner Trends



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- Biohacking
 - Exoskeletons
 - Smart Fabrics
- Immersive experiences
 - Smart Dust
 - Silicon Anode Batteries
- Ubiquitous Infrastructure
 - Carbon Nanotubes
 - Quantum Computing

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A Final Look at Gartner Trends: Top 10 Technology Trends for 2019



- Areas of Interest to the Electronics Supply Chain
 - Quantum Computing:
 - Materials
 - Equipment (cryogenics)
 - Photonics
 - Digital twin, Smart spaces:
 - Communication
 - Components
- Not shown: Security
 - Part of Privacy?
 - Security solutions will be multi-layered: hardware, software, traceability, verification



Question: Does the market support wearables? (no killer products, not in the hype cycle)

Let's look at the greater electronic supply chain and application verticals.





Without this.



None of these.



SEMI Connects the Electronics Manufacturing Supply Chain

SEMI global platforms, standards, technology communities, interest groups, committees, conferences, and expositions gather the extended electronics supply chain for comprehension, synchronization, and action.



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Five SEMI Vertical Application Markets



Flexible hybrid electronics, printed electronics, MEMS/sensors, and electronic textiles – *commonly used in wearables* -- will all play a role in these vertical markets



FHE Application Segment Leader: Transportation



Autonomy

- Sensors
- Advanced driver assist
- Driver monitoring
- Highway pilot to full automation (SAE level 4-5)



Cockpit of the Future

- Functionality meets interior design
- Driver and passenger monitoring
- Displays curved, center stacked, head-up



Connected

- Infotainment apps
- Local travelers' services
- Telematics for fleets. roadside assist, infotainment



Safety & Security

- 360° birds eye view
- Information-rich lighting
- Anti-theft



Fuel & Power

- Electric vehicles batteries
- Energy harvesting windows / devices

Monitoring Requirements

- Stringent automotive reliability requirements
- Cost effective
- Volume manufacturing
- Safety-critical standardization
- Anti misuse & abuse



FHE Application Segment: Medical, Health and Wellness



Cognitive Function

- Military, consumer, industrial, and athletics
- High value assets, safety, performance



Telemedicine

- Vital sign and geriatric patient monitoring
- Reduced health care costs
- Continuous
 measurement
 capability



Treatment Response

- Reduce treatment cycle times
- Reduced costs
- Lower mortality rates



Aeromedicine

- Coordinated triage
- Continuous vital sign monitoring
- Variable / austere
 environment



Performance Monitoring

- Improved health and wellness
- Athletic
 performance
 enhancement

Monitoring Requirements

- Cost effective
- Unique accuracy & precision
- Low maintenance
- Automated analytics



Platforming



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The first three

generic to any

sensor system

modules are

Revisit Wearables from Consumer to Medical



Wearables for Medical Applications

Graphic: GE Research

• Heart rate

- Blood pressure
- Respiration rate
- Body/skin temperature
- Blood oxygen saturation level

Diseases

- Sleep apnea
- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
- Diabetes mellitus
- Cardiovascular diseases
- Brain diseases
- Mosquito-born diseases
- Renal failure
- Skeletal system diseases
- Hearing loss

Koydemir, Ozcan, Ann. Rev. Anal. Chem. 2018, 11, 127-146

Physiological functions

- Neural (N)
- Respiratory (R)
- Circulatory (C)
- Metabolic (M)

Potyrailo, et.al., 2019

N М М R С R С

Clothing-integrated







Ingested







Skin-interfaced

mc10inc.com



mymotiv.com

Nature Biotechnology 2019

Wearable Sensor Start-Ups



Several of these are already out of business!

FOCUS ON: Clinical Efficiency, Biometrics, Fitness, Neurotechnology, Consumer/Home Monitoring, Infant Monitoring, Sleep Monitoring

https://www.cbinsights.com/research/iot-healthcare-market-map-company-list/



Large Company Perspective: GE Healthcare (1 of 2)

Physiological sensors: future research directions

Outcomes:

Usability of diverse sensors without expert knowledge
Operation cheaper and safer that the standard of care
Executing functions that cannot be performed by a physician
Interpreting data for predictive healthcare

Transducers:

Power:

Power efficiency

•Detection of trace levels in biomarkers in body fluids

•Hyphenation of transduction modalities for more accurate sensing, elimination of ambient noise

Reduction/ elimination of biofouling

Unobtrusive form factors

System-level integration:

Materials for electronics and encapsulation

Skin-interfaced electronics / sensors

•High-performance sensors for single- and long-term use

Signal analytics:

Passive / active noise suppression
Calibration simplicity



Signal out:

Data transfer range

Real time sensing

Bandodkar et al., Wearable sensors for biochemical sweat analysis, Annual Review of Analytical Chemistry 2019, doi.org/10.1146/annurev-anchem-061318-114910 Brothers et al., Achievements and Challenges for Real-Time Sensing of Analytes in Sweat within Wearable Platforms, Accounts of Chemical Research 2019, 52, 297-306 Foster et al., The Opportunity and Obstacles for Smartwatches and Wearable Sensors, IEEE Pulse 2019, 10, 22-25 Gao et al., Flexible Electronics toward Wearable Sensing, Accounts of Chemical Research 2019, 52, 523-533 Hubble et al., Sensing at Your Fingertips: Glove-based Wearable Chemical Research 2019, 52, 523-533 Hubble et al., Significance of Nanomaterials in Wearables. A Review on Wearable Actuators and Sensors, Advanced Materials 2019, 31, 1805921 Joshi et al., Wearable sensors to improve detection of patient deterioration, Expert Review of Medical Devices 2019, 16, 145-154 Liu et al., Wearable and Implantable Triboelectric Nanogenerators, Advanced Functional Materials 2019, 1808820 Ray et al., Soft, skin-interfaced wearable systems for sports science and analytics, Current Opinion in Biomedical Engineering 2019, 9, 47-56 Someya et al., Toward a new generation of smart skins, Nature Biotechnology 2019, 37, 382 Steiger et al., Ingestible electronics for continuous molecular monitoring, Chemical Society Reviews 2019, 48, 1465-1491



Question 1:Does the market support wearables?Answer 1:It's complicated.

Question 2: How do we *accelerate* technology development? Answer 2: Public-Private Partnerships



Public Private Partnership: FlexTech and Nano Bio Materials Consortium



Building Industry Consortia: History of FlexTech

- **1993** Founded as US Display Consortium
 - R&D partnership between industry and US Government
 - 136 projects \$205M combined investment
- **2008** Re-Launched as FlexTech Alliance in 2008
 - 55 projects \$32M combined investment
- **2012** Launched Nano-Bio Mfg. Consortium (NBMC)
 - 17 projects \$15M combined investment
- **2015** Launched Manufacturing Innovation Institute Flexible Hybrid Electronics NextFlex
 - \$75M federal investment + \$90M in industry cost share
- **2016** Became SEMI's first Strategic Association Partner
- **2018** NBMC Re-Launched as Nano-Bio Materials Consortium
 - \$7M federal investment



4 Consortia Formed \$400M+ of Federal Investment + Industry Match



Our Technology Focus: Flexible Hybrid Electronics

- Sensing, A/D signal processing, wireless integrated circuit systems
- Merging printed electronics with high
 performance traditional semiconductors
- All within a light weight, conformal or flexible/stretch-able format
- Ideal for mobile and wearable applications that need freedom of motion and/or contact to curved surfaces







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Flexible, Non-invasive Wearable for Dynamic Assessment of Hydration Status



NBMC Consortium Project 16-10: A Collaborative team of 7 industry and university members lead by GE developed

- 1. Ion Selective Electrodes Na+ and K+ concentration in sweat
- 2. RF Impedance Patch subcutaneous hydration tomography and spectroscopy



Program supported by:





Flexible High Performance ICs



American Semiconductor Inc.

Ultra-thin CMOS



Thin Light Weight Renewable Power Sources





Current Project: ITN, ENrG, Lucintech, University of Rhode Island



MIPM: Total Packaged Thickness < 250 µm!

BIPASS: Packaged Thickness Still< 250 µm!

Figure 3. Schematic illustration of the integration of the proposed thinned, high performance silicon microelectronics on ultra-thin YSZ circuit board to enable a new MIPM and BIPASS products.



Technology Landscape: Representative Programs

	Research and	Development								
	_	Demonstration F	&D		<u> </u>					
			System Integra		l Eval	Manufacturing	g Dev			
TRL1 TRL2	TRL3 TRL	4 TRL5	TRL6 T	RL7		TRL9	Manuf G	Pilot N	lanufact Ra	amp
MARKET DRIVERS		MR1	MRL2	MRL3	MRL4	MRL5	MRL6	MRL7	MRL8	
Power	Ultra thin flexible i	ntegrated power p	ack							
Flexible PCB	Printed Interconnect & Resistor, Flexible Ceramic			Printed Passives for FHE						
Sensors (1)	ensors (1) Non-Invasive Bio Fluid; Saliva, Sweat Sensors		Gen . Oral i	Gen 2 Sweat Sensor Oral Biochemistry Sensing						
Sensors (2)	ensors (2) Highly Flexible Audio Enabled Hybrid Smart Tags									
Wireless	Self Powered Wireless Sensors	Wearable Dev Hydration	ice for Dynami	c Assessm	ent of					
IC Integration	IC Integration FHE Direct Chip Attach			Ultra Th	in Die Assy					
System	ECG Biomarker Sensor	Microfluidics fo Biomarker Sei	or Sweat isors	_	Flexil	ble Smart Wou and O2 Releas	ind Dressing se and Sensi	with On ng		
НМІ	Audio, Display, Capacitive Gel Contact Electrodes									
Software On Board SW (sense and signal PC-Host User Interfaces		nse and signal cor erfaces	al conditioning), API,			Printing on Complex Surfaces				
3D Printing	Conductive & Dielectric 3D Equipment Development with in-situ Sintering		3D P	atterning of En	nbedded HFI	Ξ				
Machine Tooling			Imple	ementing FHE	Prototype an	d Productio	n.			
FHE Reliability Bend Testing Criteria & Evaluation, Environmental (high temp/humidity) Testing		Mech	anical Test Me	ethods						



NBMC RoadMap

Dual Use Applications	Market Drivers	Enabling Electronics Technology
Imaging	Diagnostic High fidelity Mobility	Transducers EM transceivers 3D & 2.5D integration
Point of Care Diagnostics	Wireless Deterministic Continuous monitoring Efficient reagent and sample prep	Microfluidics Data storage & analytics Wireless communication AI & support algorithms
Wearable Health Tech	Accurate Light weight Power efficient	Renewable power Flexible / wearable material Biochemical processing
En Route Medical Care	Reliable in extreme environments Data collection, analytics, mobility Pain management Data security	Multimodal sensing Sensor data fusion SW & HW cybersecurity



2019 Request for Proposals

Army Research Lab

Flexible hybrid and printed electronics for next generation electronics

- A. Reference designs for FHE sensor systems
- B. FHE Power
- C. Artificial Intelligence (AI) for additive manufacturing
- D. Mixed mode interconnect and metallization for FHE
- E. Human-Machine Interfaces (HMI)
- F. Open concepts for sensor and FHE technologies and agile, expedient manufacturing

Air Force Research Lab

Wearable technology for human performance and augmentation

Innovations and technologies that are of specific value to both defense capabilities, in support of the **aeromedical mission** of the United States Air Force, as well as commercial opportunities, specifically in the areas of **smart medtech, digital health, and personalized medicine.**

- A. Wearable Device for Ambulatory Monitoring Capability
- B. Wearable Human-Biochemistry Monitoring Capability
- C. Wearable Cuffless Blood Pressure Monitoring Capability
- D. Open Concepts for Wearable/Mobile Human-Monitoring/Diagnostic Capabilities



Summary and what I didn't discuss!

- Wearables do not yet have consumer market pull
- Medical technology is the leading vertical for wearables







Technology readiness level (TRL)		Description
1	Basic principles observed and reported	Lowest level of technology readiness. Scientific research begins to be translated into applied research and development. Examples include paper studies of a technology's basic properties.
2	Technology concept and/or application formulated	Invention begins. Once basic principles are observed, practical applications can be invented. Applications are speculative, and there may be no proof or detailed analysis to support the assumptions. Examples are limited to analytic studies.
3	Analytical and experimental critical function and/or characteristic proof of concept	Active research and development is initiated. This includes analytical studies and laboratory studies to physically validate the analytical predictions of separate elements of the technology. Examples include components that are not yet integrated or representative.
4	Component and/or breadboard validation in laboratory environment	Basic technological components are integrated to establish that they will work together. This is relatively low fidelity compared with the eventual system. Examples include integration of ad hoc hardware in the laboratory.
5	Component and/or breadboard validation in relevant environment	Fidelity of breadboard technology increases significantly. The basic technological components are integrated with reasonably realistic supporting elements so they can be tested in a simulated environment. Examples include high fidelity laboratory integration of components.
6	System/subsystem model or prototype demonstration in a relevant environment	Representative model or prototype system, which is well beyond that of TRL 5, is tested in its relevant environment. Represents a major step up in a technology's demonstrated readiness. Examples include testing a prototype in a high-fidelity laboratory environment or in a simulated operational environment.
7	System prototype demonstration in an operational environment	Prototype near or at planned operational system. Represents a major step up from TRL 6 by requirement demonstration of an actual system prototype in an operational environment (e.g., in an aircraft, a vehicle, or space).
8	Actual system completed and qualified through test and demonstration	Technology has been proven to work in its final form and under expected conditions. In almost all cases, this TRL represents the end of true system development. Examples include developmental test and evaluation of the system in its intended weapon system to determine if it meets design specifications.
9	Actual system proven through successful mission operations	Actual application of the technology in its final form and under mission conditions, such as those encountered in operational test and evaluation. Examples include using the system under operational mission conditions.
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Award Requirements

aka the fine print

- Company/team must have significant US presence in the form R&D activities or manufacturing
- 50% of the work funds must be spent within US operations
- Primary company leading the proposal must be a US-owned company (Can be waived if the development is critical to US manufacturing capability for select cases)
- Company/team must be committed to volume manufacturing and provision to the US FHE industry on a right-of-first acceptance basis. (Applied research conducted by universities does not need to meet this requirement but a pathway to commercialization and or licensing must be envisioned and described)
- The company/team, including universities, must provide a matching share of the development cost in cash and in-kind contributions (e.g., labor and materials) 50% recommended
- Companies which are selected for an award, including all partners and/or subcontractors, must subsequently join SEMI at the appropriate membership level.
- Companies and organizations which are selected for an award **must agree to terms and conditions** set forth in the SEMI FlexTech Development Agreement before receiving any portion of the award.



Sensors for detection of physiological signals

Form of energy	Parameters	Examples of biosignals
Electrical	Voltage, current, resistance, capacitance, inductance, etc.	ECG, EEG, EMG, EOG, ENG
Mechanical	Displacement, velocity, pressure, acceleration, force, flow, etc.	Blood pressure, pulse wave velocity
Thermal	Temperature, heat flow, conduction, etc.	Body core temperature, skin temperature
Radiant	Visible light, infra-red radio waves, etc.	SpO2, photoplethysmography
Magnetic	Magnetic flux, field strength, etc.	Magnetoencephalography, flow meters
Chemical	Chemical composition, pH, etc.	Glucose, cholesterol, creatine kinase

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