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Wireless Neurovascular Monitoring System

A flexible and minimally invasive electronic system to wirelessly monitor treatment of cerebral aneurysms

Inventors at Georgia Tech have developed a wireless implantable biosensor system to monitor blood flow during a cerebral aneurysm treatment. The system is comprised of a miniaturized capacitive sensor and inductive coil, and can be used for integration into a circuit-less and battery-less functional device. The optimized wireless system demonstrates the longest detection range, based on the ratio of the readout distance and sensor crosssectional area among the reported inductive coupling methods to date. Quantitative analysis of transient sensor signals allows accurate identification of a resonance frequency, which will offer real-time monitoring of hemodynamics of blood flow in cerebral aneurysm with an abnormal focal dilation.

Summary Bullets

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Solution Advantages

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Potential Commercial Applications

- Monitoring of treatment process of cerebral aneurysms
- Monitoring abdominal aortic aneurysm treatment and parameters in other blood vessels

Background and More Information

Un-ruptured cerebral aneurysms exist in as many as 6% of the population in the world, introducing risk of serious damage if not properly treated. Cerebral aneurysms result from weakened sections of blood vessels, allowing abnormal blood flow into a sac. Current standard of care involves invasive treatment via clipping or embolization in the targeted aneurysm sacs. Although post-treatment monitoring of blood flow is recommended, the existing practice using angiography is costly and invasive. Even though some devices show a possible method of a sensor integration for active monitoring of hemodynamics, they still require cumbersome tethering

with an external data acquisition system.

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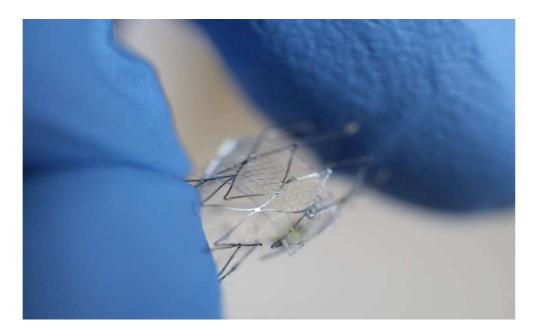
Publications

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Images



A flow sensor is shown here on a stent backbone. Credit: John Toon, Georgia Tech



With gloved fingers for scale, a flow sensor is shown here on a stent backbone. Credit: Woon-Hong Yeo, Georgia Tech

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