### PANEL

# Sensing Everything: Challenges in Current Environments

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# A key challenge is...

 ...deciding which sensor project/system to design and build

# Some criteria for judging opportunities and performance

- Accuracy
- Initial cost
- Operation cost
- Total lifetime cost
- Power requirements
- Sensitivity
- Size
- Stability
- Application-specific versus general-purpose

- Ability to integrate with existing sensors or other systems
- Market size
- Competition from alternative sensing methods
- Adoption risk
- Technology "push" versus market "pull"

Conceptual filters for finding R&D projects (including sensing projects): CARTFOVEA

- Confluences
- Anomalies
- **R**egulations (or Standards)
- Trends

- Frustrations
- Orthodoxies
- Voyages
- Extremalities
- Analogies

# Physical, chemical, and biological sensors in the gra of Industrial Internet

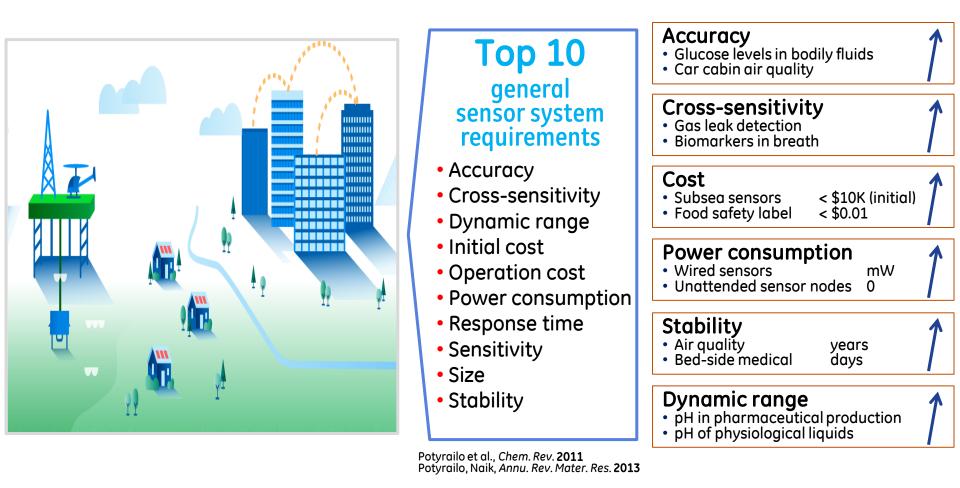
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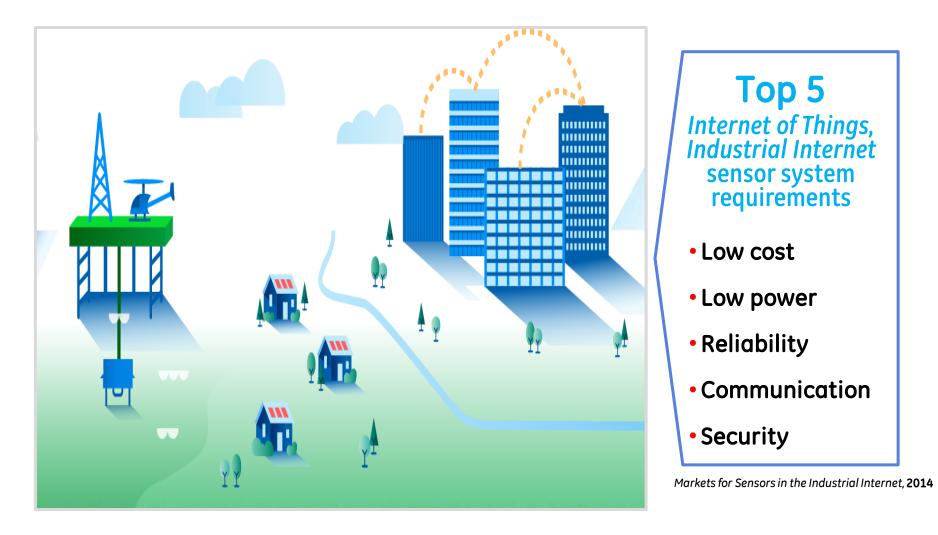
### Top attributes of an ideal sensor system



#### Diversity of sensor designs to meet specific application requirements

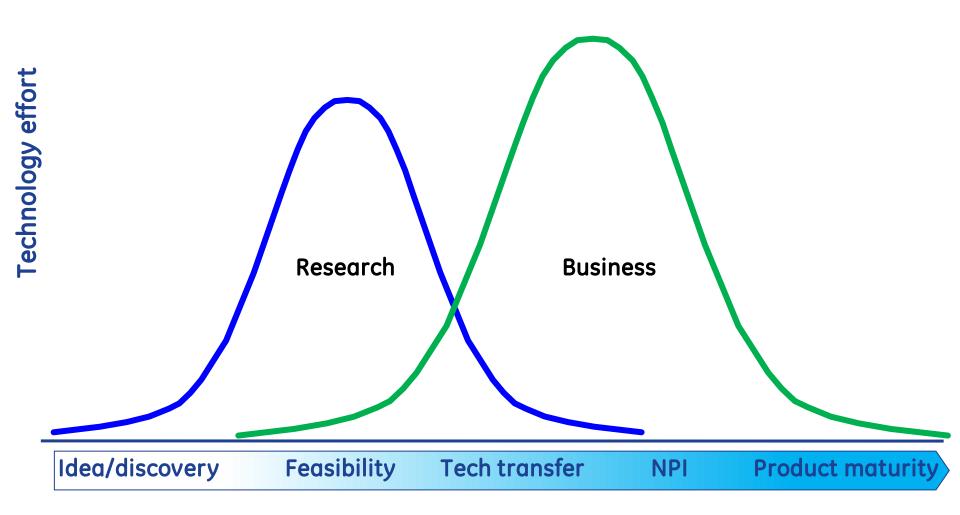
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### Largest impact and market opportunities

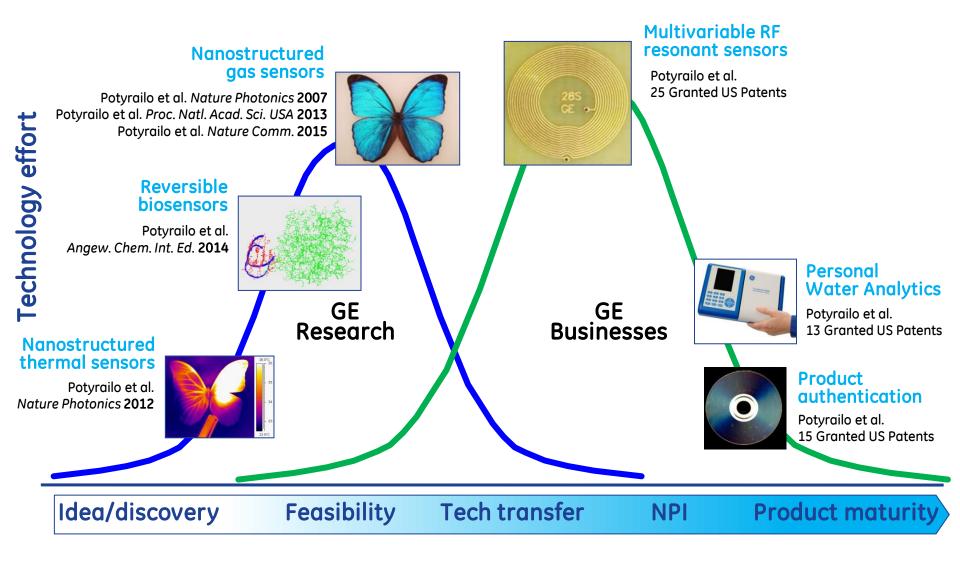


Our focus: enhanced sensors reliability by development new transduction methodologies and data analytics

### From R&D to manufacturing

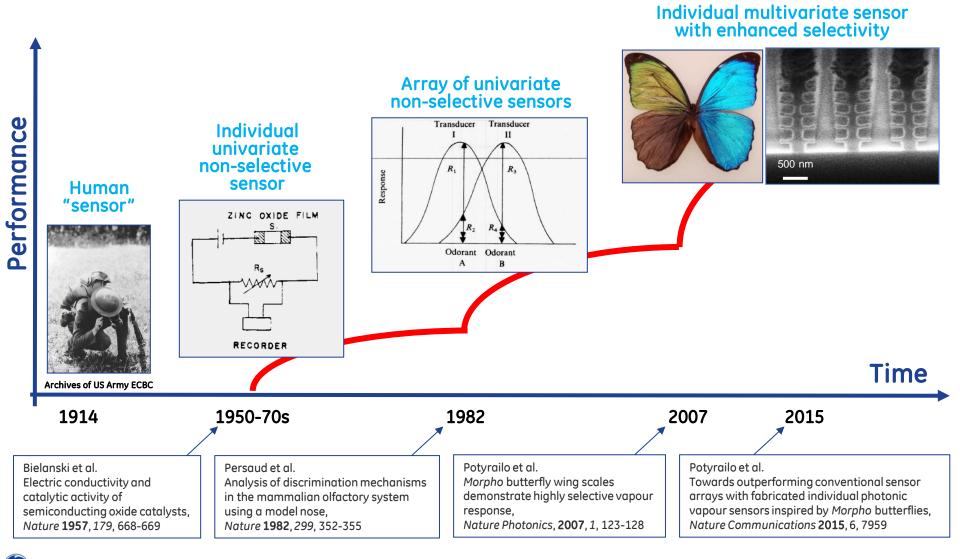


### From R&D to manufacturing





# Performance improvements in gas sensors



(%) imagination at work

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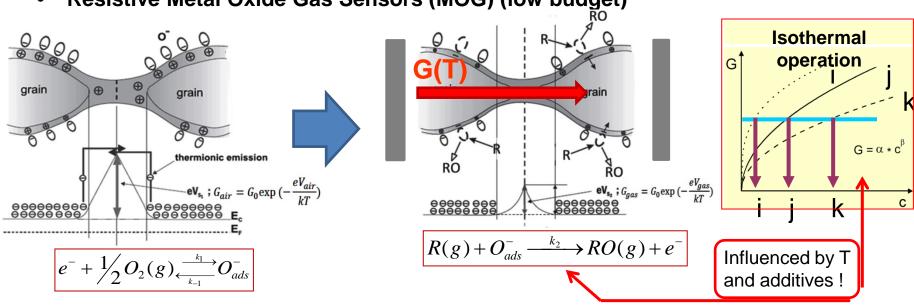
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#### High Temperature Gas Sensors for Process Control and Field Analysis Purposes

#### HT-Gas Sensing in harsh environments:

- Optical principles (complex in installation and costly)
- Electrochemical, zirconia-based devices (low budget)

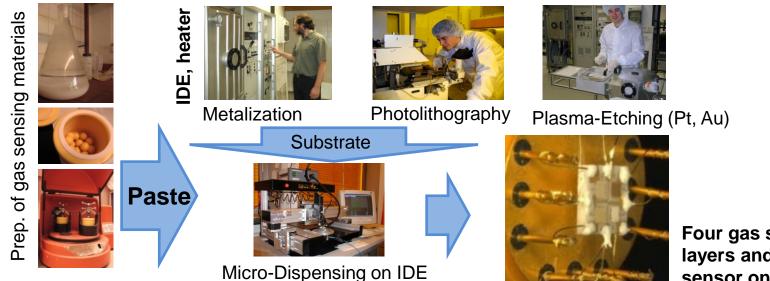


Resistive Metal Oxide Gas Sensors (MOG) (low budget)

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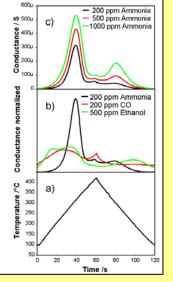
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#### **MOG Technology – Gas Analysis**



Four gas sensing layers and a Tsensor on a chip

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**Operation of four diff. SnO<sub>2</sub>/additive – layers in** dynamic temperature mode

- Characteristic conductance profile signatures ↔ surface reactions
- Gas identification, chemical analysis (SimSens)  $\rightarrow$ monitoring, alarm

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#### Gas Analysis for ...

#### **Detection of hazards** (SensorDevices V, Gas Sensors II)

Analysis of gases and vapours at ambient air Multisensor-Platform for Early Fire Detection and Identification **WSN** Analysis of volatile substances diss. in water Ethanol Toluene: Ethanol 0ppm 100ppm 100ppm 0,7ppm TGS800 SnO<sub>2</sub>/La<sub>2</sub>O 2ppm Microcontroller aided Outlet Flow-controller a) 5ppm sensor processing RS-485 Bus 凶 MSP 430 Conductivity / arb. units Carrier Gas Metal Oxide Probe Sensor Carrier Gas Ethanol Ethanol Sample 250ppm 250ppm carrier gas SnO /La O TGS800 Numerical Gas Permeation Analysis Channel Sample Membrane (bacteriological culture) 0 25 50 75 100 125 0 25 50 75 100 125

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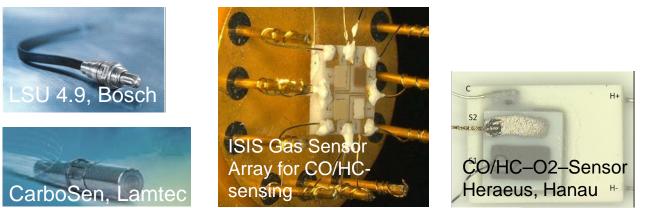
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#### Wood/biomass combustion control

- Optimization of the combustion process
- Reduction of emissions (toxic gases, particulate matter)
- More energy efficiency

especially for low-power fireplaces.



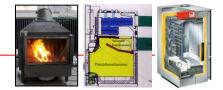


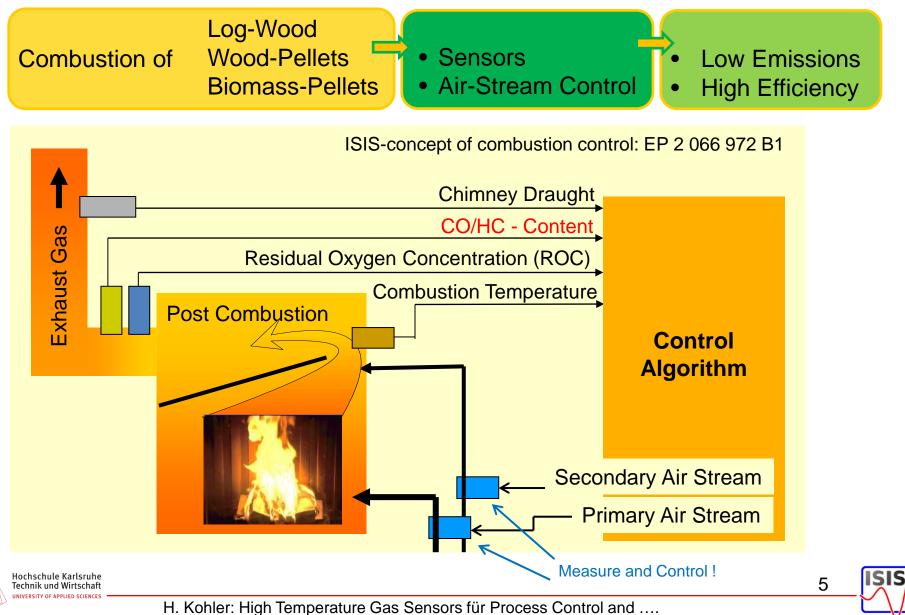
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High Temperature Gas Sensors for combustion process control.



#### **HT-Gas Sensors for Combustion Process Control**







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