# Acoustic Tweezers: Manipulating Bioparticles Using Standing Surface Acoustic Waves (SSAW)

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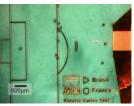
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# Microfluidic Soccer— a Fun Example of Acoustic Tweezers



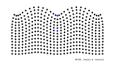


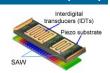
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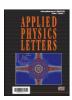
Micro fluidic version

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## **Surface Acoustic Waves (SAW)**











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# **Standing Surface Acoustic Waves (SSAW)**



$$F_r = -\left(\frac{\pi p_0^2 V_p \beta_m}{2\lambda}\right) \phi(\beta, \rho) \sin(2kx)$$

$$\phi = \frac{5\rho_p - 2\rho_m}{2\rho_p + \rho_m} - \frac{\beta_p}{\beta_m}$$

$$F_v = -6\pi \eta r v$$

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#### **Functions of Acoustic Tweezers**

- · Cell/particle patterning
- · Nanomaterial manipulation
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- Cell/particle separation
- Fluorescence-activated cell sorting (FACS)

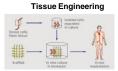
## **Motivation to Pattern Cells**

# Cell Signaling and Interaction Cell Growth and Differentiation





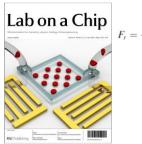




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# Working Mechanism of SSAW-Based Cell Patterning



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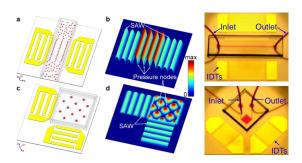
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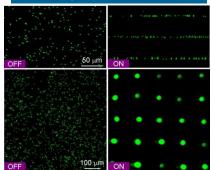
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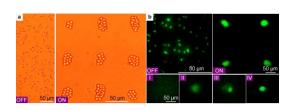
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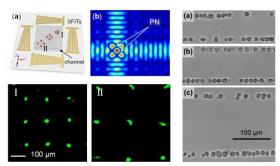
#### Patterning of Bovine Red Blood Cells and E. coli Cells



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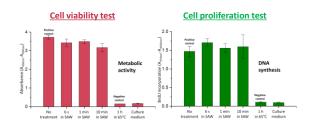
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## **Tunable Cell Patterning**



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# **Cell Viability and Proliferation Tests**

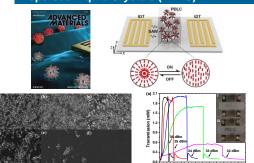


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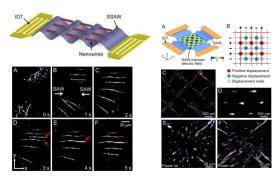
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#### SAW-Driven Light Shutters using Polymer-Dispersed Liquid Crystals (PDLC)



Y. J. Liu, X. Ding, S.-C. S. Lin, J. Shi, I. Chiang, and T. J. Huang, Advanced Materials, 2011. PSU BioNEMS Laboratory

## **SSAW-Driven Tunable Nanowire Patterning**



Y. C. Chen, et al, ACS Nano, 2013. PSU BioNEMS Laboratory

# **Acoustic Tweezers? Not Yet!**

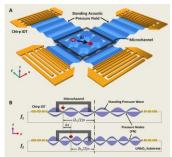


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# Working Mechanism of SAW-Based Single Particle Manipulation



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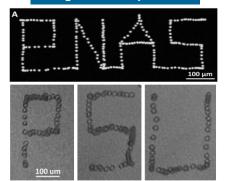
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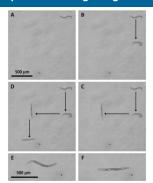
#### **Single Cell Manipulation**



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## On-Chip Manipulation of Single Organism (C. Elegans)



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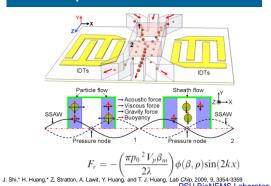
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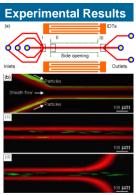
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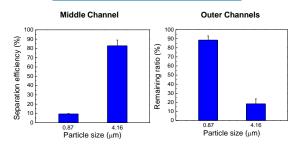
## **Particle Separation via Acoustic Tweezers**





J. Shi,\* H. Huang,\* Z. Stratton, A. Lawit, Y. Huang, and T. J. Huang, *Lab Chip*, 2009, 9, 3354-3359 PSU BioNEMS Laboratory

## **Separation Efficiency Analysis**



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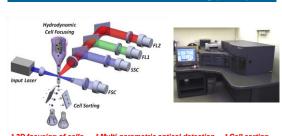
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#### Fluorescence-Activated Cell Sorting (FACS)



\*3D focusing of cells \*Multi-parametric optical detection \*Cell sorting
Applications

Biomedical Research (Cell/Molecular biology, immunology, genetics, stem cell sorting, etc) Clinical Diagnosis and Therapeutics (HIV diagnosis and staging, leukemia

diagnosis, etc) PSU BioNEMS Laboratory

#### **Drawbacks of Conventional FACS**



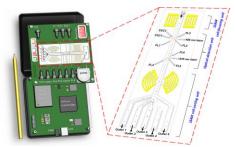
- High equipment cost (~\$500,000)Large size
- High maintenance (average maintenance cost: \$30,000 per year)
   Significant biosafety concerns
- Reduced cell viability and other functions
- Inability to accurately analyze or sort cells in small sample sizes



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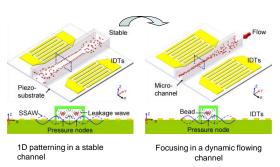
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# Our Solution: Standing SAW (SSAW) Based FACS



significantly improved biocompatibility;
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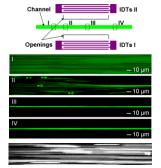
## From Patterning to Focusing



J. Shi, S. Yazdi, S.-C. S. Lin, X. Ding, I-K Chiang, K. Sharp, and T. J. Huang, Lab on a Chip, 2011, 11, 2319-2324.

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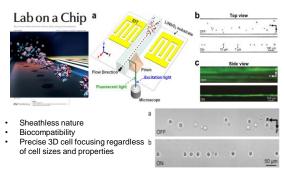
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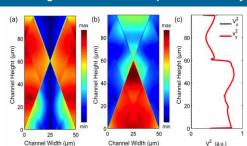
#### Focusing in Vertical Direction (Experimental Observation)



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#### **Focusing in Vertical Direction (Theoretical Analysis)**



Computational Results: focal point is  $46~\mu m$  above the bottom of the channel Experimental Results: focal point is  $42~\mu m$  above the bottom of the channel

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## **Device Characterization**

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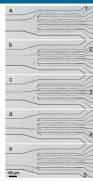
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# **SSAW-Based Multi-Channel Cell Sorting**



X. Ding, et al, Lab on a Chip, Vol.12, pp. 4228-4231, 2012.

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#### Advantages of Acoustic Tweezers:

- ➤ Low power intensity —10,000,000 times lower than optical tweezers
- ➤ Non-invasive—clean and safe
- > Versatility Applicable to all kinds of bioparticles
- ➤ Easy fabrication—low cost
- ➤ Conpact device

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#### Biomedical Nano-Electro-Mechanical-Systems (BioNEMS)

-Multi-Physics of Micro/Nano Systems



#### Multidisciplinary:

Biology Bioengineering Chemical engineering Electrical engineering Engineering science Materials science Mechanical engineering

Student Awards (from University to National to International Levels):

- 2009 & 2010 Penn State Alumni Association Dissertation Awards
- 2009-2013 Rustum and Della Roy Innovation in Materials Research Awards
- 2010 Fulbright Scholarship
- 2011 NSF Graduate Fellowship
- 2011 NASA Research Fellowship
- 2009 Materials Research Society (MRS) Silver Medal 2008 American Academy of Mechanics (AAM) Founder's Prize
- 2008 KAUST Scholar Award (world-wide selection)

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