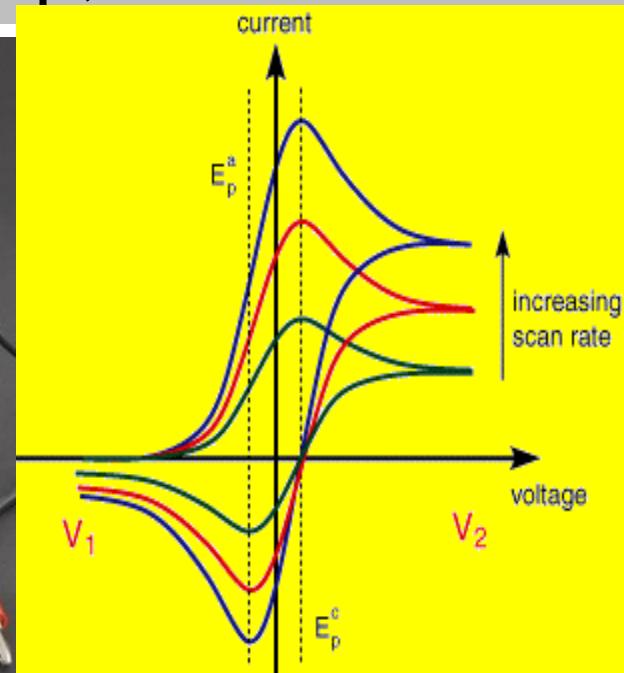


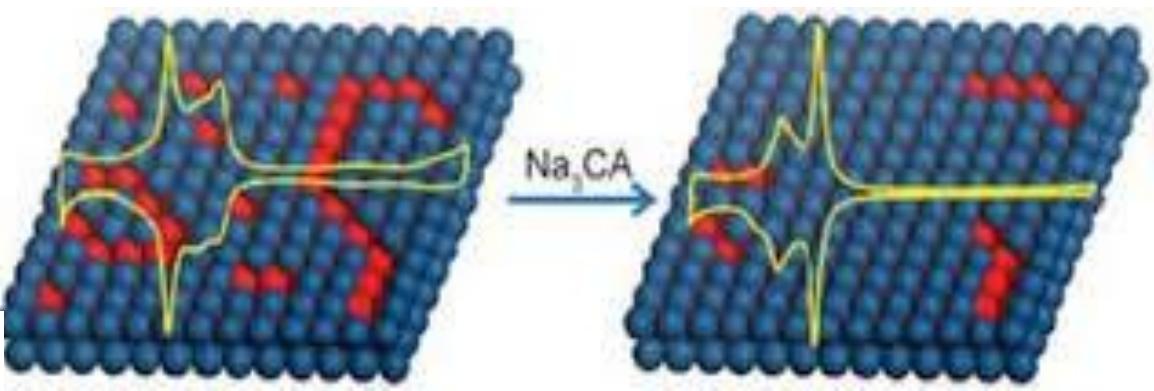
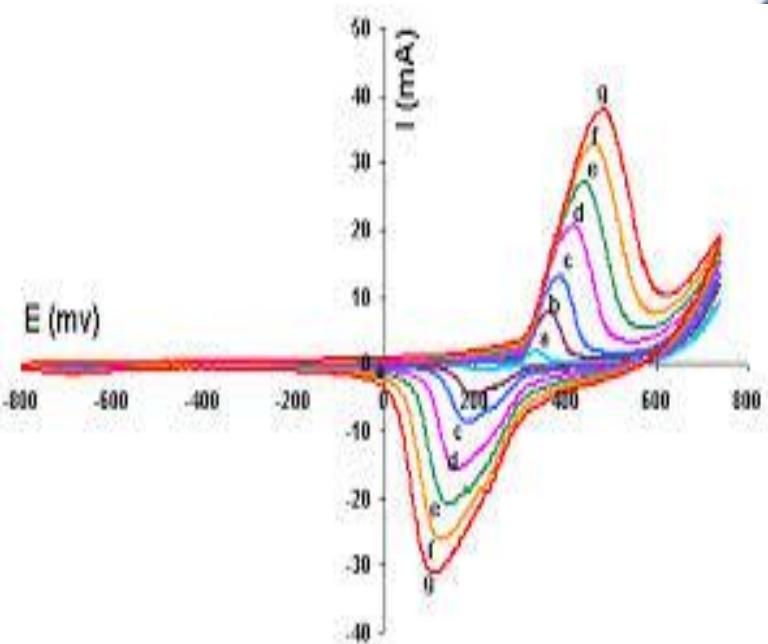
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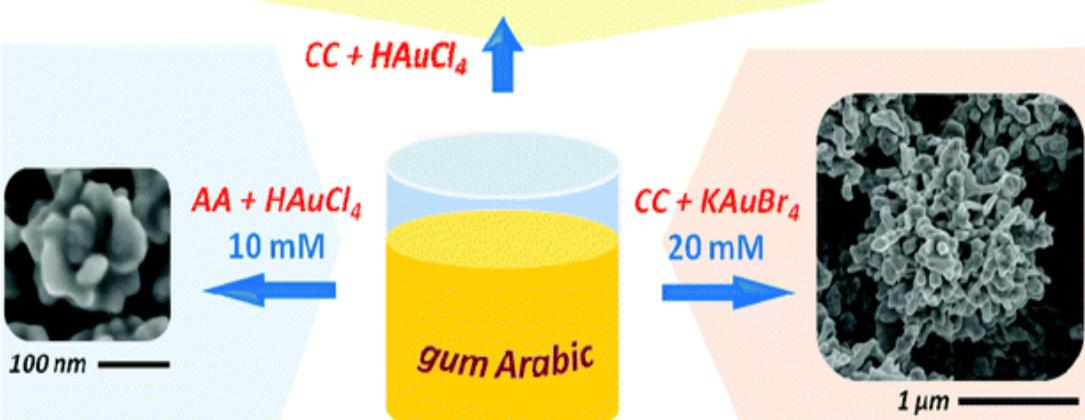
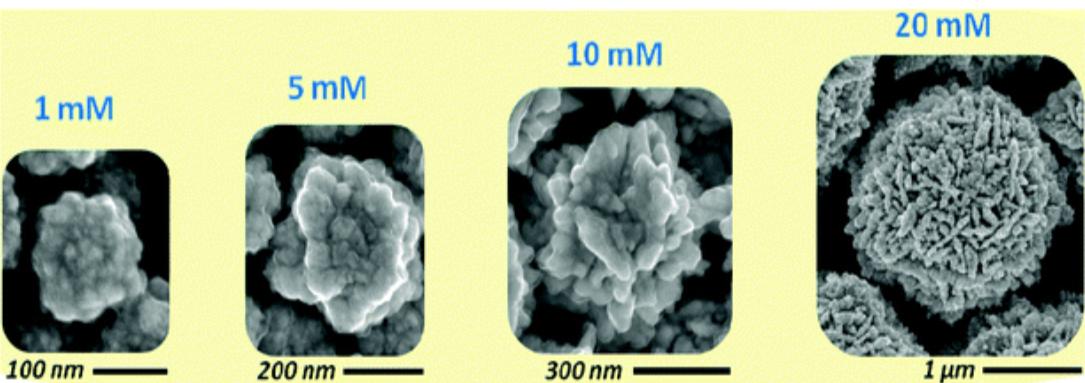
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# Voltammetry in Nano-Science



*Increasing of  $\text{HAuCl}_4$  Concentration*



# Protein-film Voltammetry



## PROTEIN-FILM VOLTAMMETRY-ELECTROCHEMICAL SPECTROSCOPY FOR PROBING THE REDOX FEATURES OF BIOCATALYSTS

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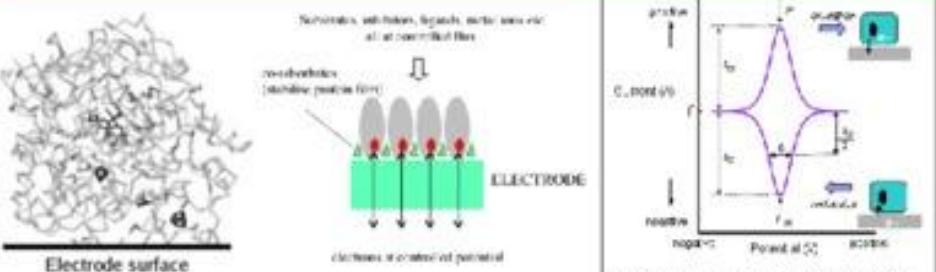
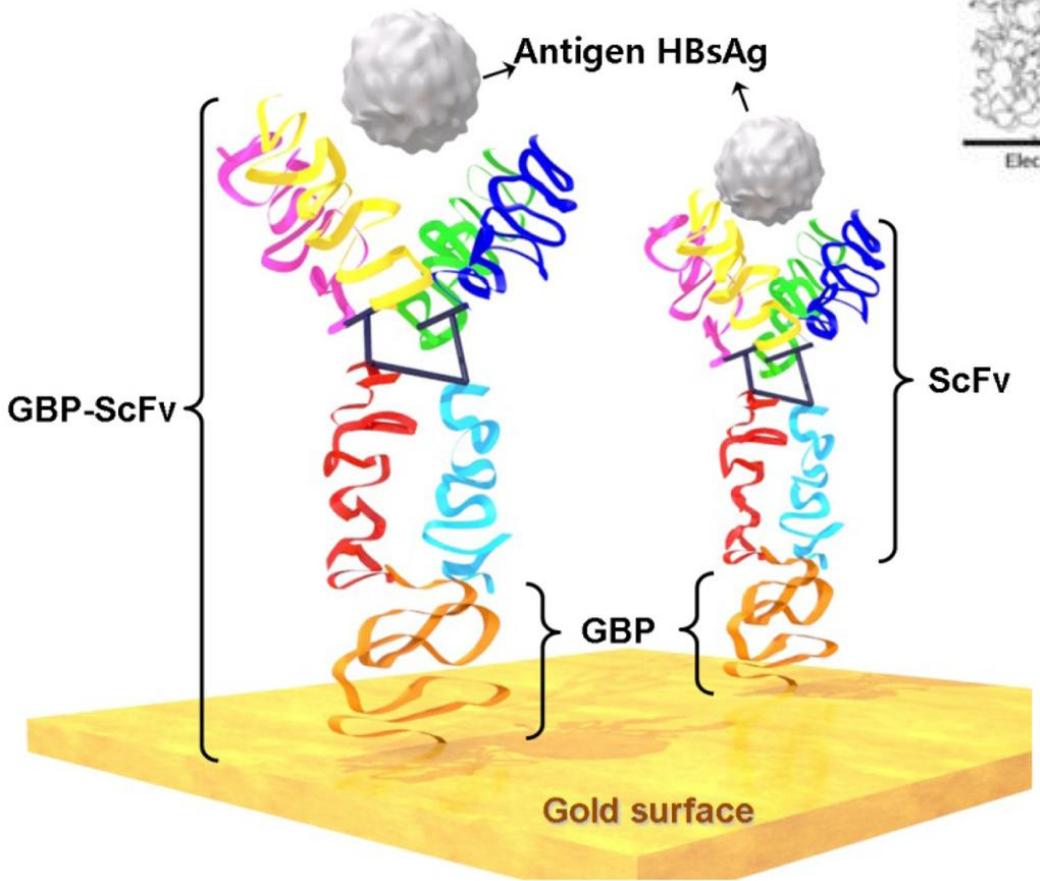
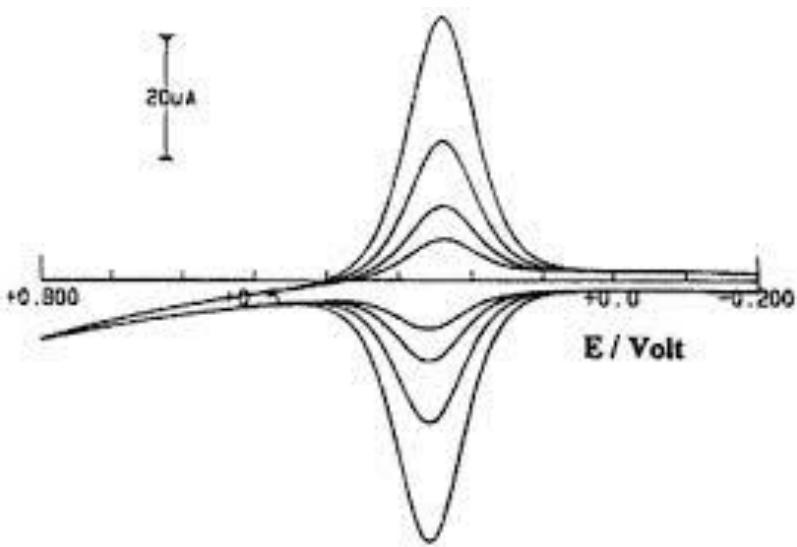
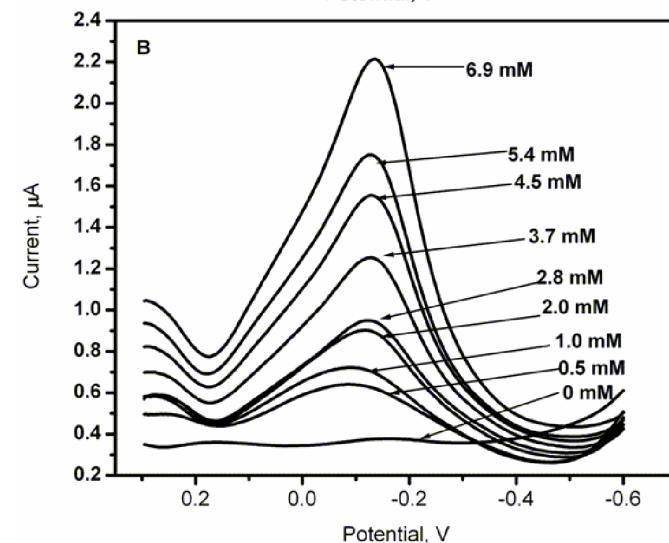
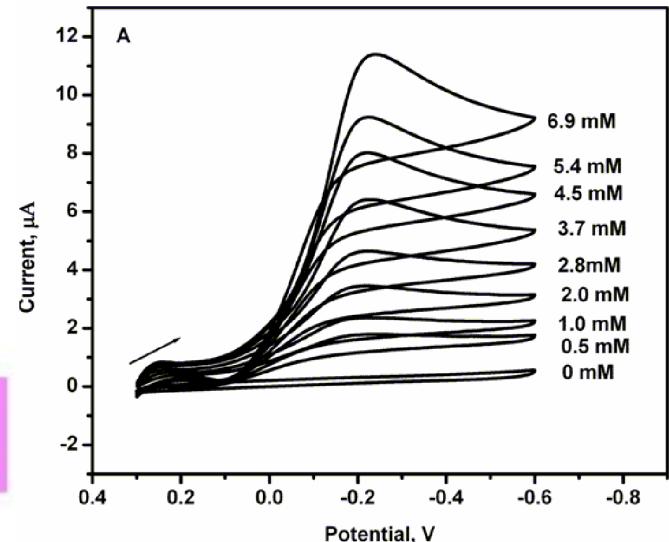
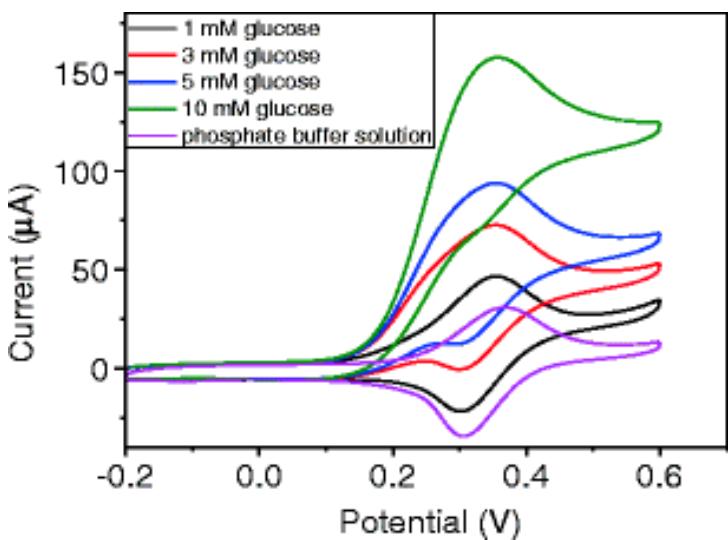
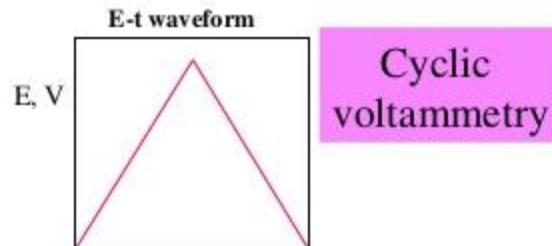
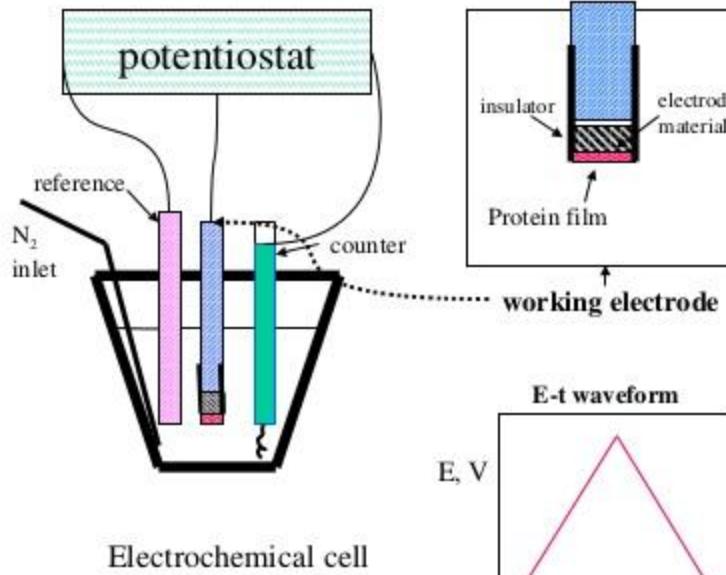


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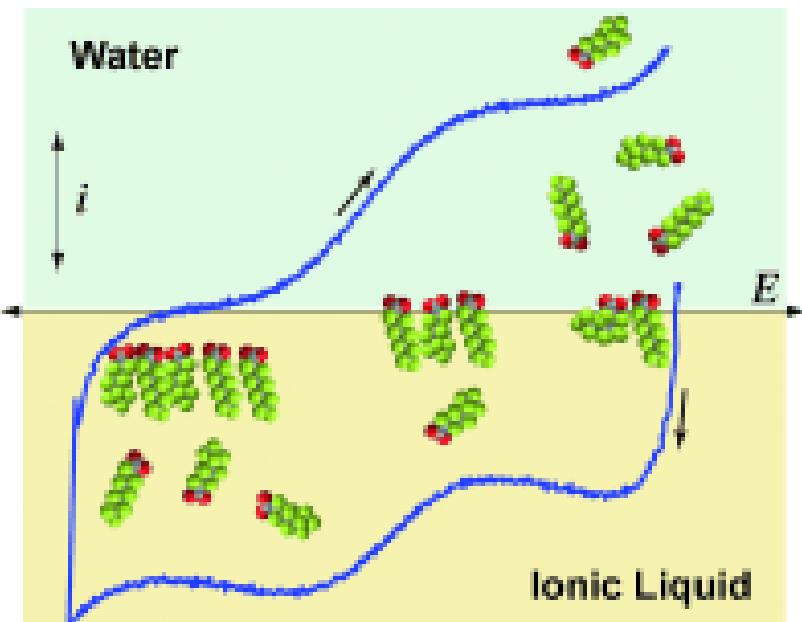
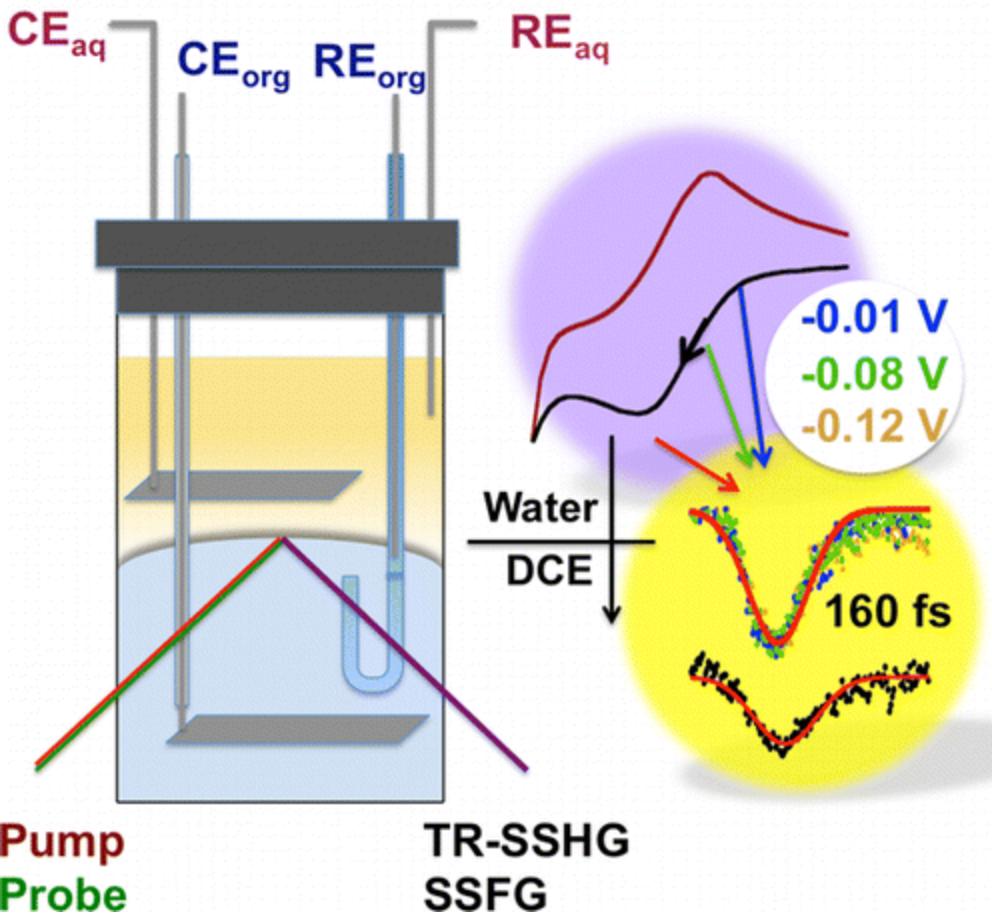
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Equipment for developing electrochemical biosensors

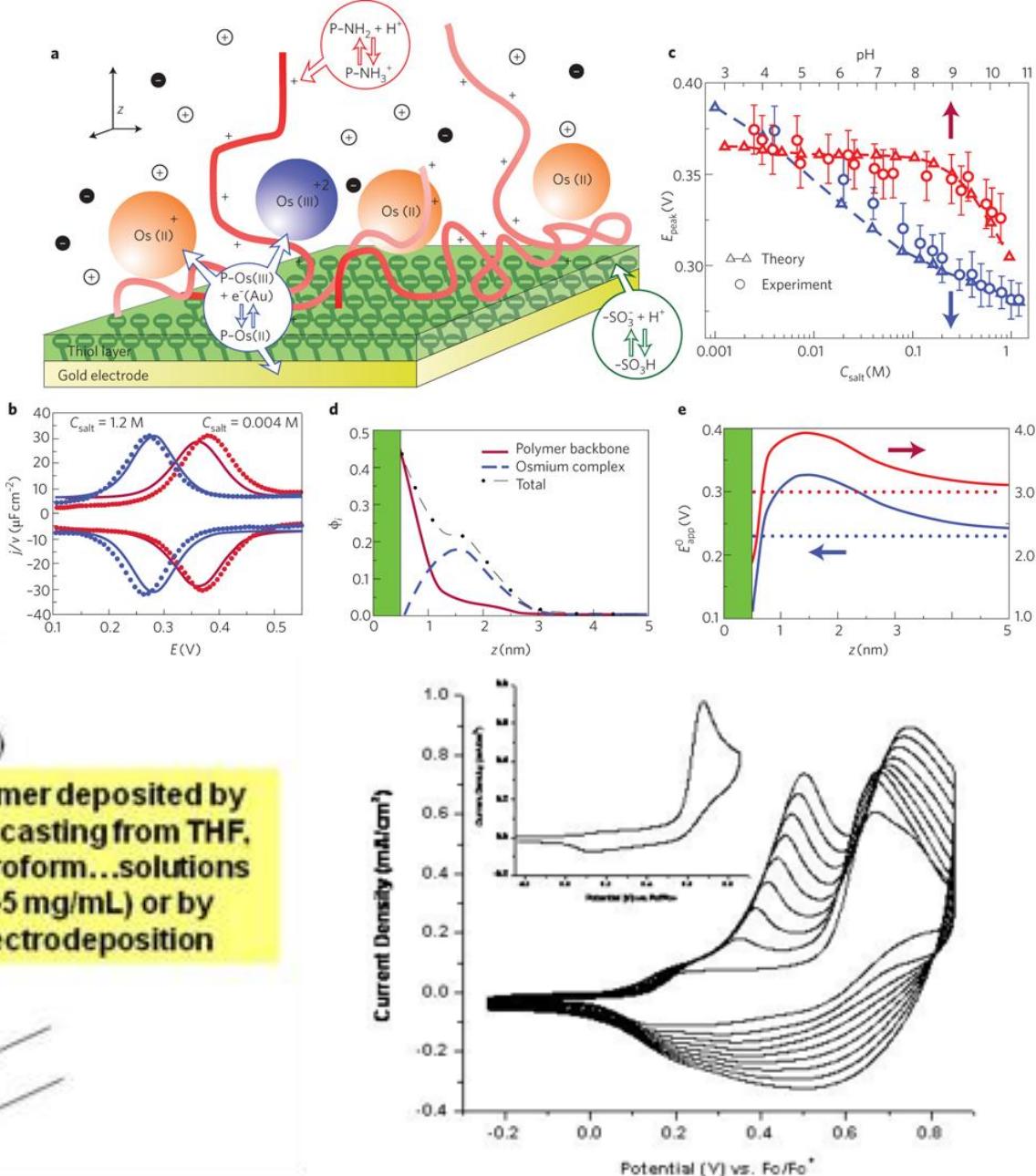
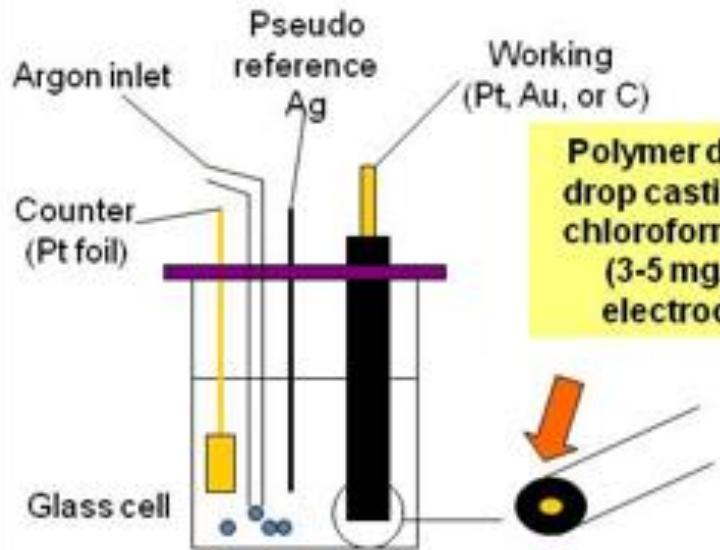


# Voltammetry of ion transfer across Liquid-liquid interfaces

Coupling TR-SSHG and Ion Transfer

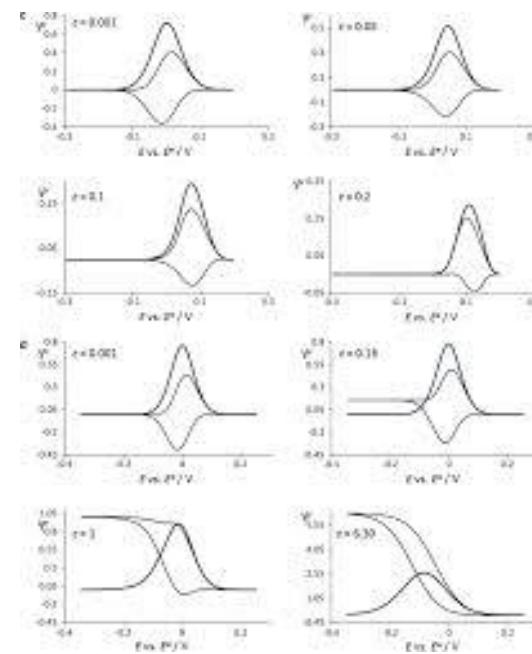
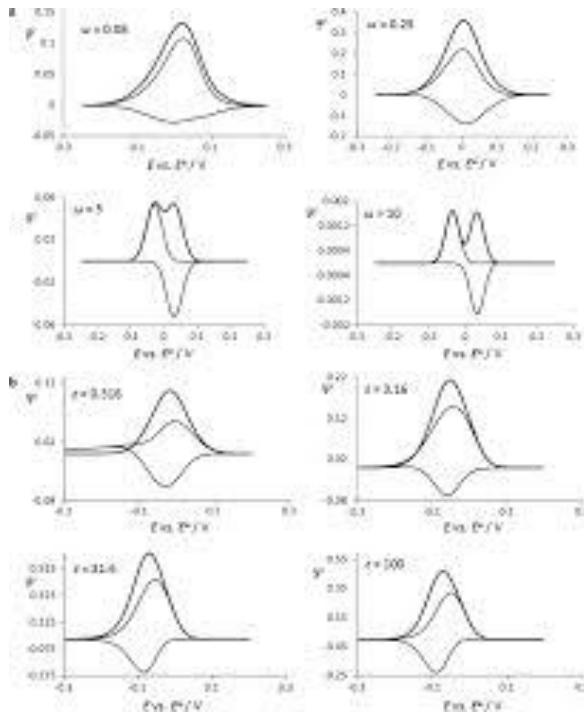


# Voltammetry of Conductive Polymers



# Theoretical modeling in Voltammetry

$$\frac{[\text{Ox}]_{x=0}}{[\text{Red}]_{x=0}} = \exp\left(\frac{nF(E - E^{0'})}{RT}\right) \quad i_f = \frac{nFAD_{\text{ox}}^{1/2}c_{\text{ox}}^*}{\pi^{1/2}t^{1/2}} \frac{1}{1+P}$$



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**What we did not yet show about  
the potential applications  
of voltammetry?**

Only few things....

....

# AIDS CURED!

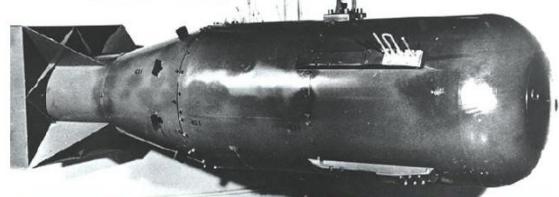
...by Voltammetry!!!



Two Macedonian Scientists  
Together with  
D-r Kim Jong Un have  
Explored Voltammetry to  
Tackle AIDS and Ebola at once



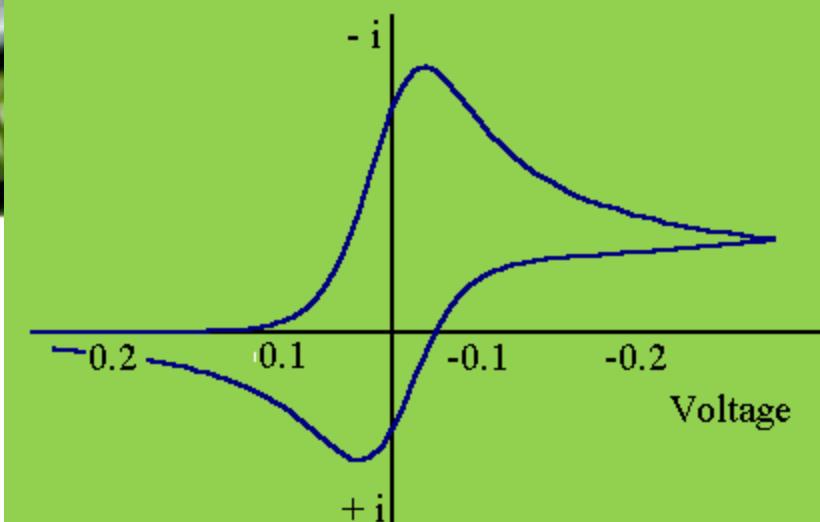
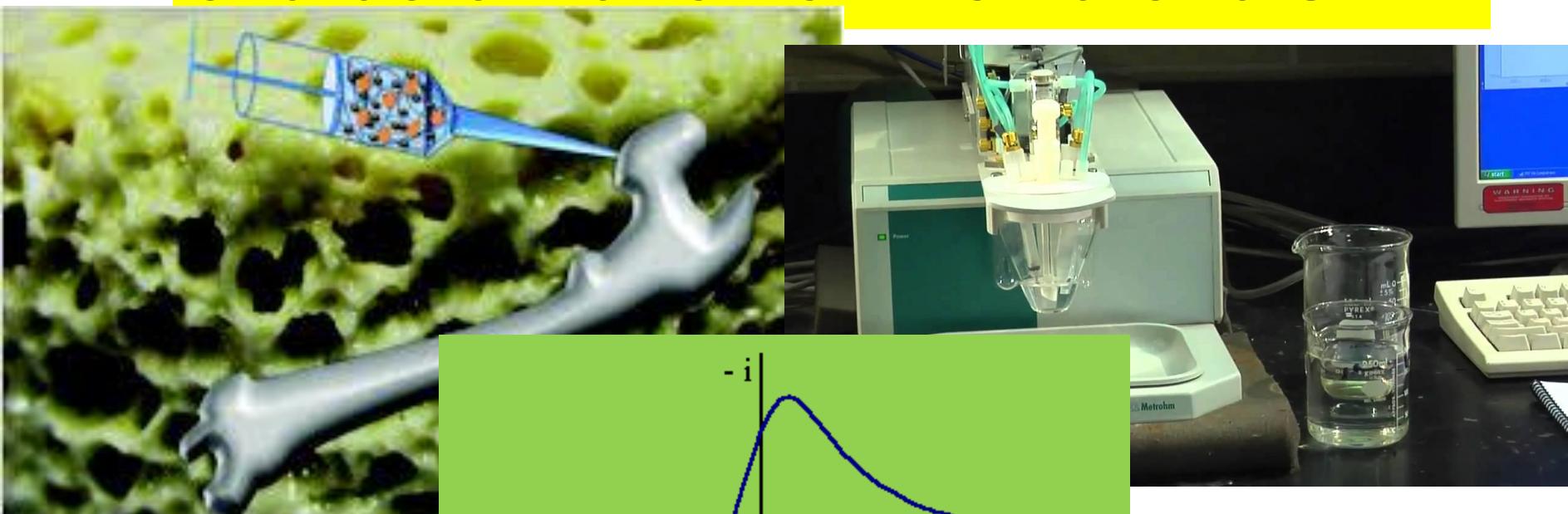
That was to be expected...  
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Explored Voltammetry to  
Build an Atomic Bomb

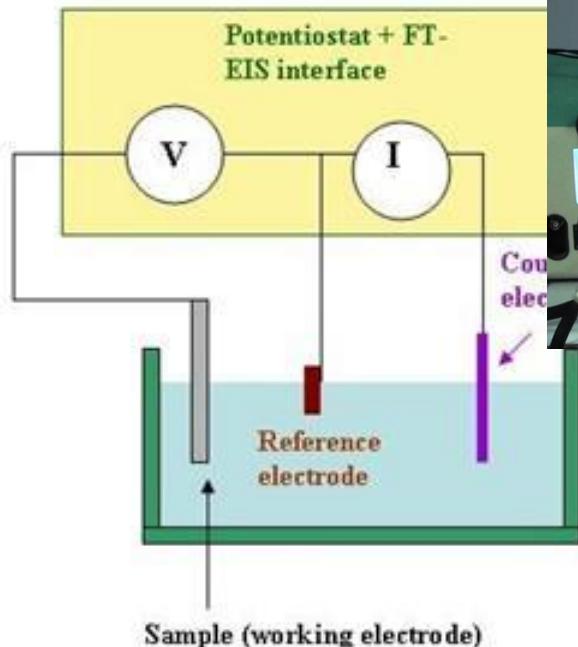


•First Atomic Bomb Used – Uranium  
•Detonated over Hiroshima Aug. 6, 1945  
•Weighs 9,000 pounds  
•20,000 tons of TNT explosive capacity (2,000 B-29s w/ standard bombs)

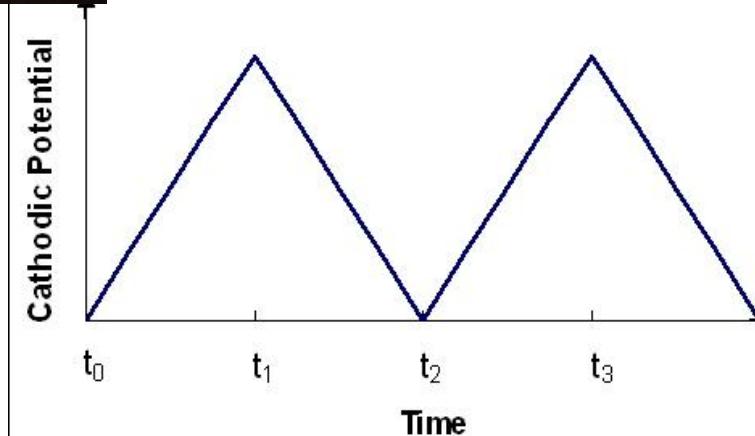
...todays Lecture will be focused on

## Application of voltammetry for characterization of Biomaterials...

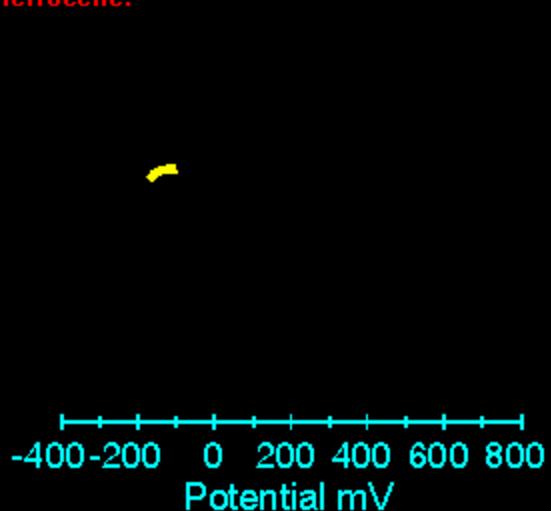




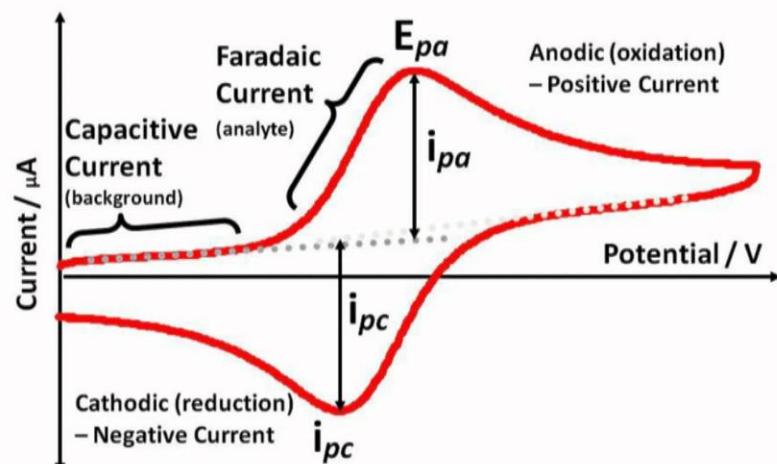
Cyclic Voltammetry Potential Waveform



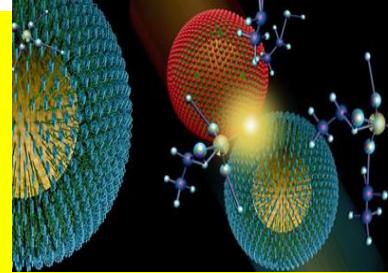
Cyclic voltammogram  
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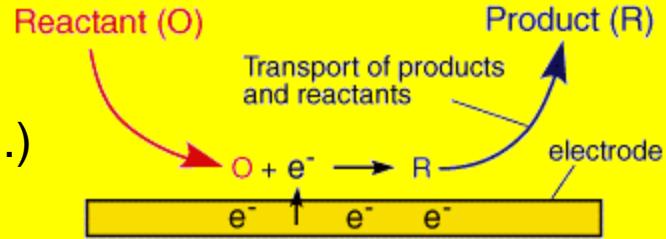
## Cyclic Voltammogram



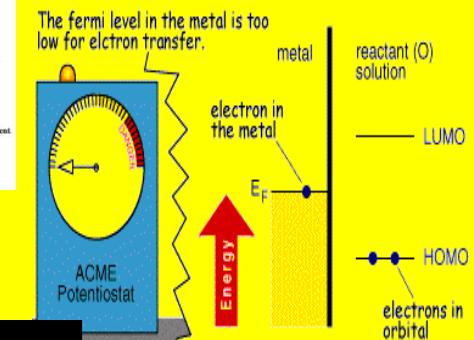
# What are potential applications of voltammetry for studying the biomaterials?



**-kinetics studies** (decomposition of the biomaterials, stability of biomaterials, Influence of various factors to the stability of biomaterials...)



**-thermodynamics studies** (for example, complexes formation between elements present in Biomaterials and various inorganic and organic ligands)



**-composition of the biomaterials**

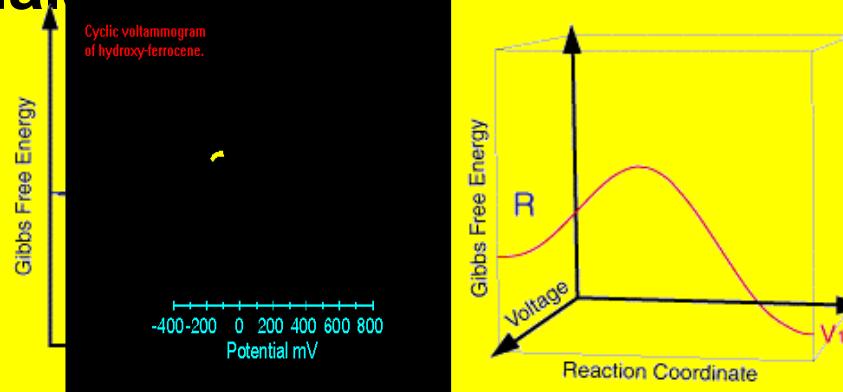
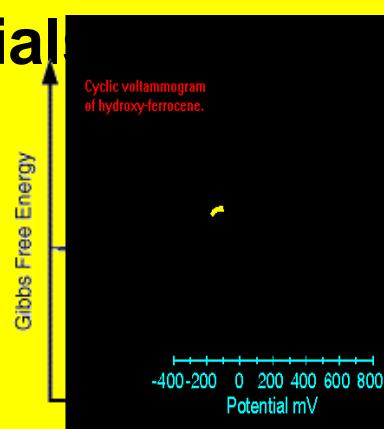
**-Interactions of biomaterials with various substances...**

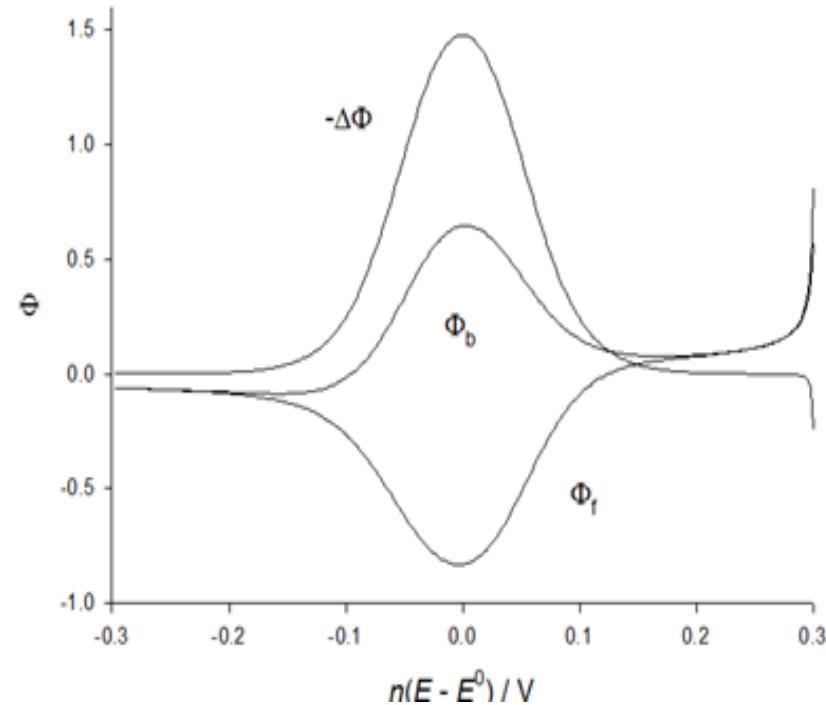
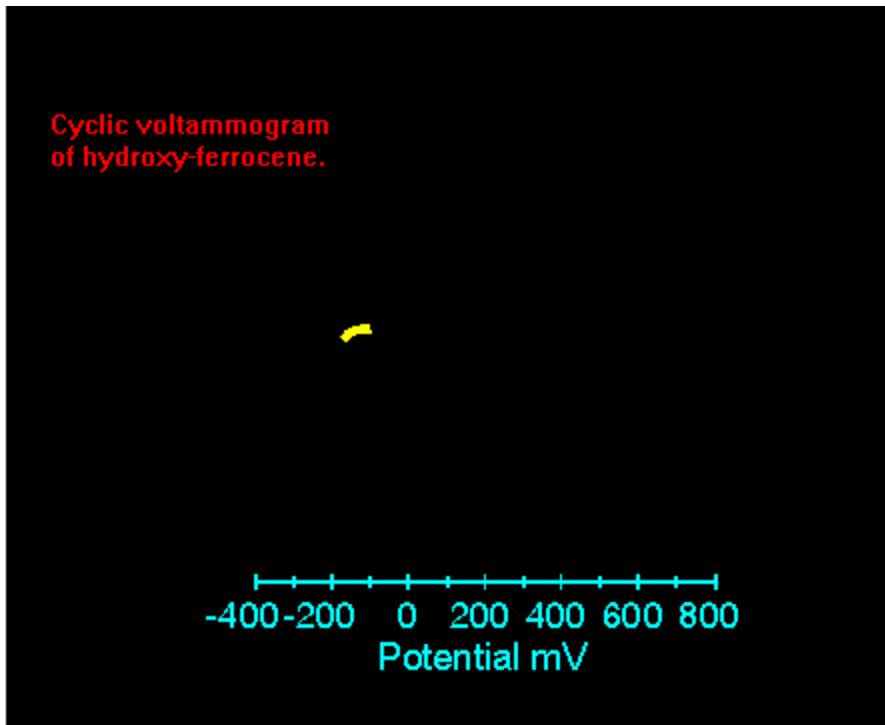
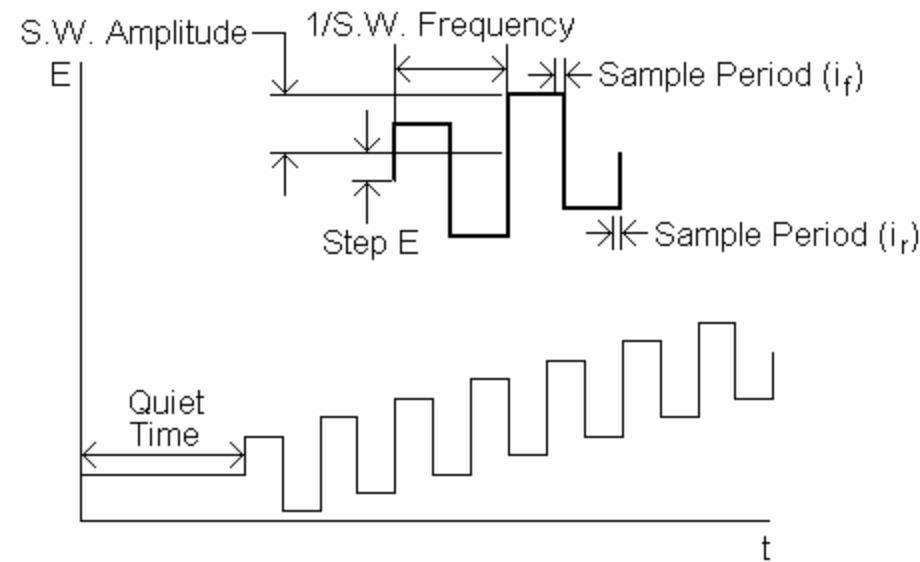
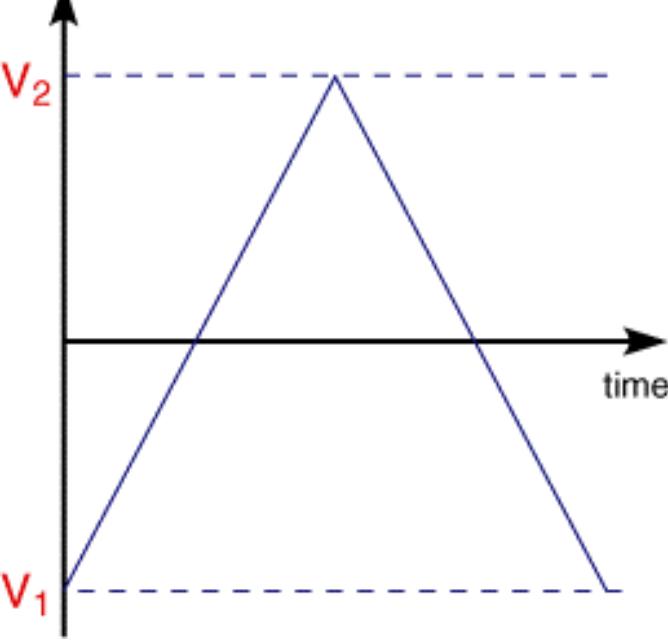
**-surface modifications of biomaterials**

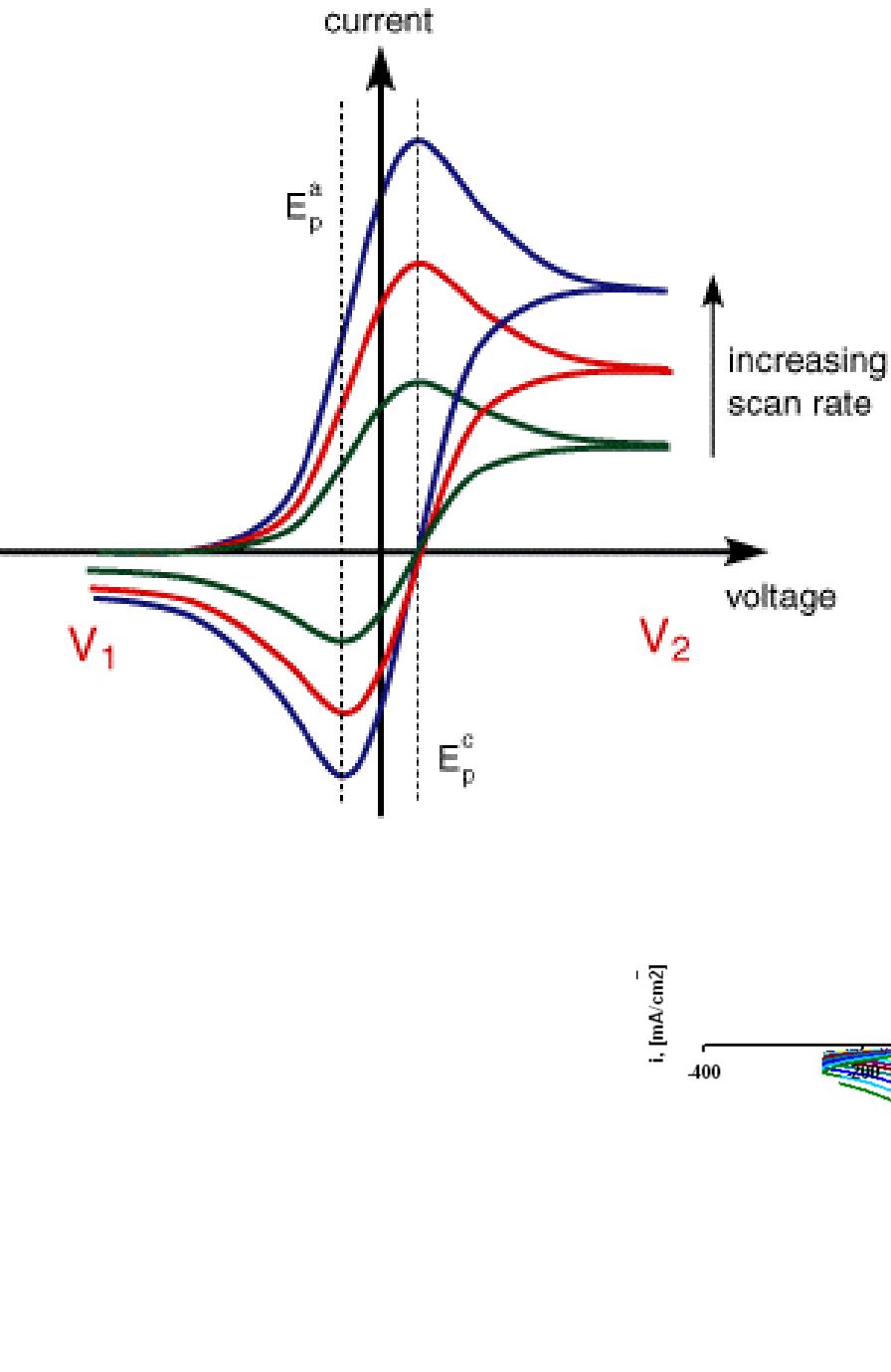
**-insights into the mechanisms...#**

**-influence of the temperature**

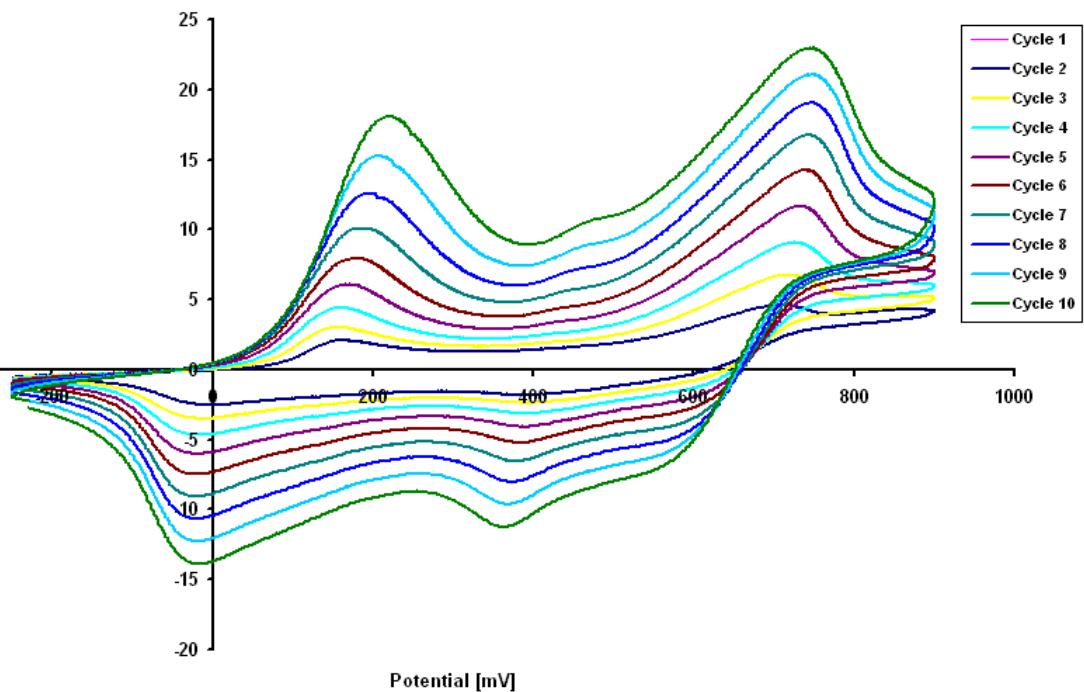
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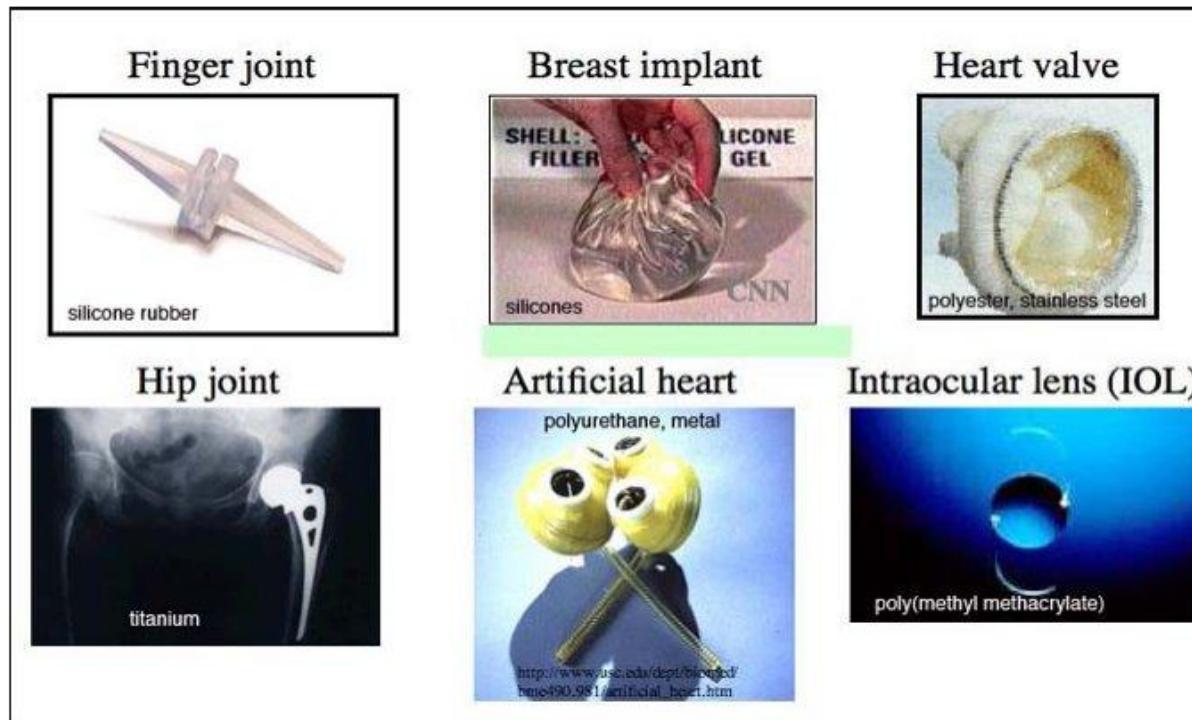


## Time-analysis of Tooth-implant (decay) Recorded by cyclic voltammetry



- **Biomaterials:**

- Any substance, other than a drug, or a combination of substances, synthetic or natural in origin which can be used for any period of time, as a whole or part of a system which treats, augments or replaces any tissue, organ or function of the body.



- **A biomaterial is a nonviable material used in a medical device, intended to interact with biological systems (Williams, 1987)**

# Biomaterials are Functional Materials

- Definition:

- Material which is not primarily used for its mechanical properties but for other properties such as physical or chemical.

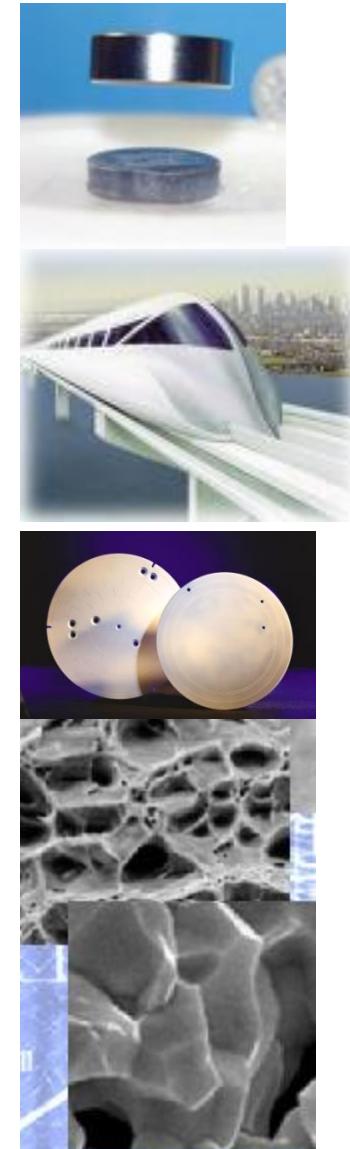
- Examples:

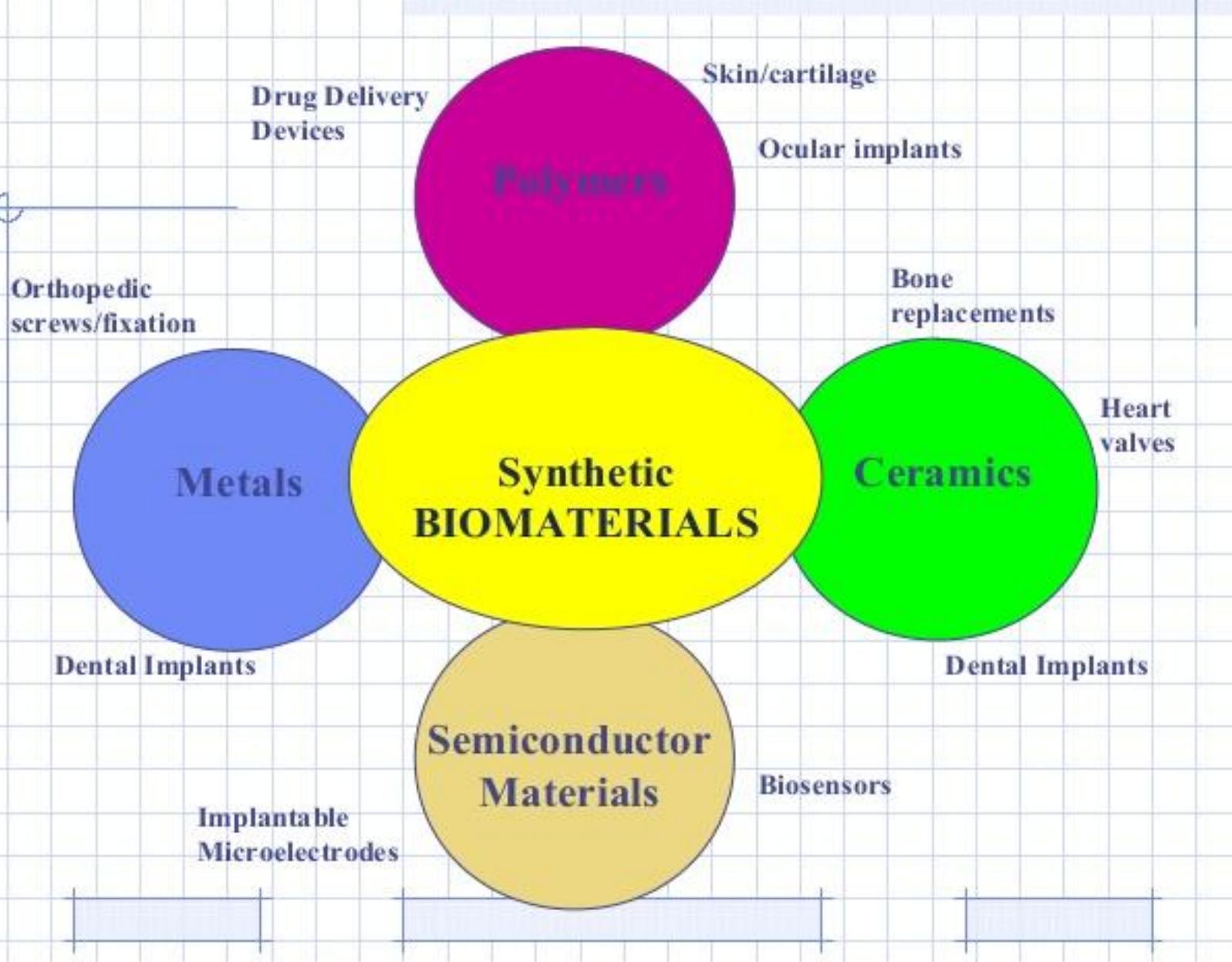
- Superconductors

- **An element, intermetallic, compound that will conduct electricity without any resistance below a certain temperature**
    - **Magnetic levitation, maglev, or magnetic suspension** is a method by which an object is suspended with no support other than magnetic fields
    - <http://www.superconductors.org/INdex.htm>

- Dielectric Material

- electrically insulating material
    - contains polar molecules that reorient in external electric field
    - Used as insulating material between the plates of a capacitor





# Applications of biomaterials in Dental Medicine

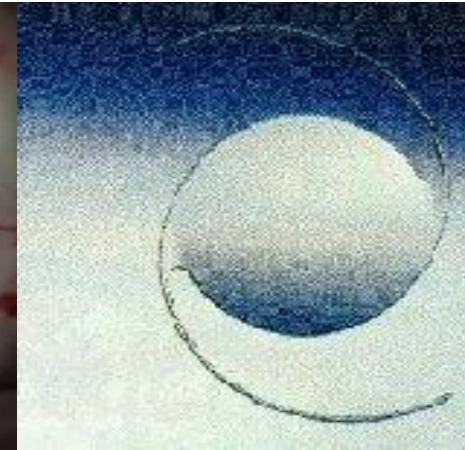
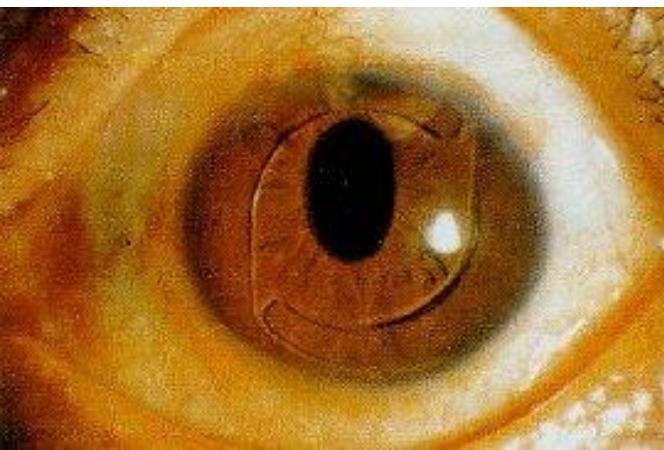
- Because of its bio-compatibility, malleability and resistance to corrosion, gold has been used in dental work for nearly three thousand years. The Etruscans in the seventh century BC used gold wire to hold in place substitute teeth, usually from a cow or calf, when their own were knocked out. The first printed book on dentistry published in 1530 recommends gold leaf for filling cavities.



# Intraocular Lens

## 3 basic materials - PMMA, acrylic, silicone

- An **intraocular lens** (IOL) is an implanted lens in the eye, usually replacing the existing **crystalline lens** because it has been clouded over by a cataract, or as a form of refractive surgery to change the eye's optical power.
- Advances in technology have brought about the use of silicone and acrylic, both of which are soft foldable inert materials. This allows the lens to be folded and inserted into the eye through a smaller incision
- Acrylic is not always an ideal choice due to its added expense
- For a gruesome yet painless eye procedure:  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kN-KqYcjEqk>



# Vascular Implants



Parachute cloth and Dacron

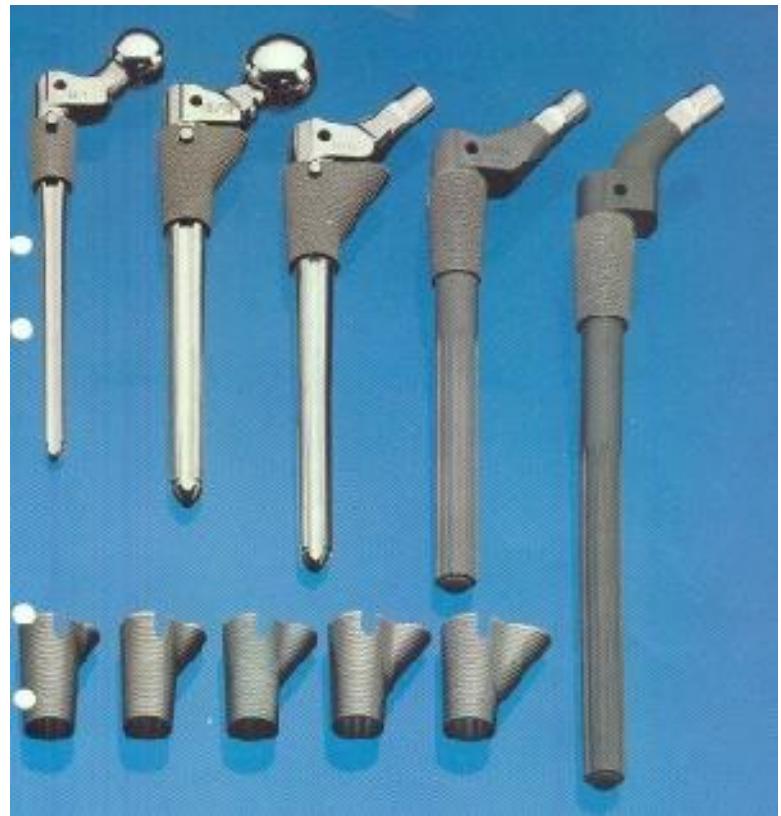
# Second generation implants

- engineered implants using common and borrowed materials developed through collaborations of physicians and engineers
- built on first generation experiences
- used advances in materials science

Examples — Second generation implants

- **titanium alloy dental and orthopaedic implants**
- **cobalt-chromium-molybdenum** orthopaedic implants
- UHMW polyethylene bearing surfaces for total joint replacements
- heart valves and pacemakers

# Artificial Hip Joints



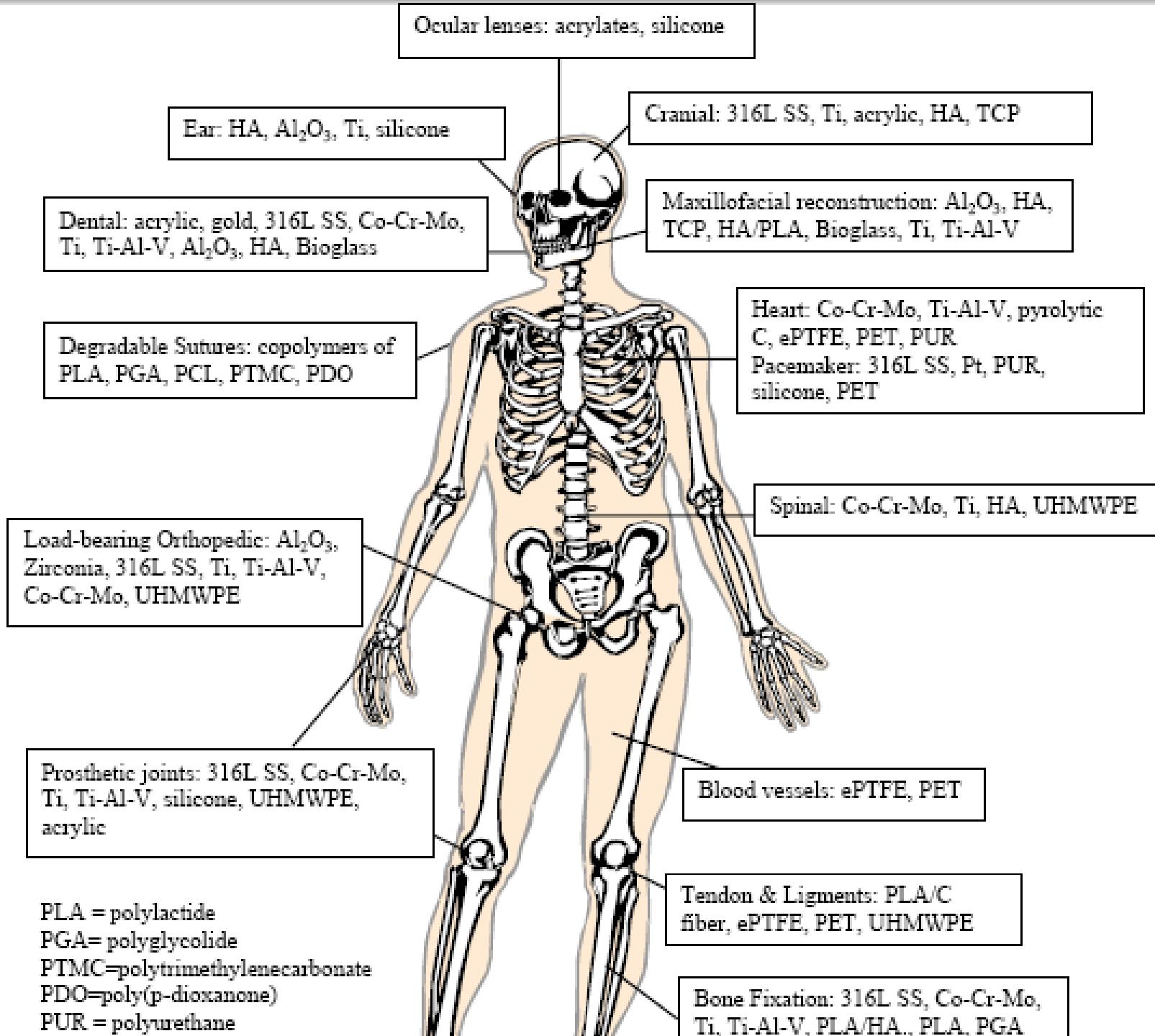
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# Third generation implants

- bioengineered implants using bioengineered materials
- few examples on the market
- some modified and new polymeric devices
- many under development

## Example - Third generation implants

- **tissue engineered implants designed to re grow rather than replace**
- **artificial skin**
- cartilage cell procedure
- some resorbable bone repair cements
  - **calcium-phosphate bone cements**
- *genetically engineered “biological” components*



# METALLIC BIOMATERIALS

- Metals make attractive biomaterials because of they possess the following properties:
  - excellent electrical
  - mechanical properties
  - closely packed atomic arrangement resulting in high specific gravity and good strength
  - high melting points
- Applications in the human body:
  - as total hip and knee joints, for fracture healing aids as bone plates and screws, spinal fixation devices, and dental implants
  - in devices such as vascular stents, catheter guide wires, orthodontic archwires, and cochlear implants

# Metallic Implants

Two primary purposes

- As prosthesis – to replace a portion of the body such as:
  - joints, long bones & skull plates
- Fixation Devices – to stabilize broken bones while the normal healing proceeds
  - Bone plates, intramedullary nails, screws and sutures

Problems:

1. Biocompatibility: The ability of a material to perform with an appropriate host response in a specific situation
2. **Corrosion**
3. Design of metallic implants
4. Design limitations the of anatomy
5. **Physics properties of the tissue and reactions of the tissue to the implant and of the implant to the tissues (Host Response)**

# Different Metallic Biomaterials

- **Stainless Steel**
  - SS 316
  - SS 316L
- **CoCr Alloys**
  - the castable CoCrMo alloy
  - The CoNiCrMo alloy which is usually *wrought* by (hot) *forging*
- **Ti alloys**
  - Pure Ti
  - Ti6Al4V
- **TiNi Alloys**
  - Nitinol
  - Shape Memory effect
- **Platinum group metals (PGM)**
  - Pt, Pd, Rh, Ir, Ru, and Os
  - extremely corrosion resistant
  - poor mechanical properties
  - pacemaker tips
- conductivity.



**DANGEROUS CONSEQUENCES**  
by the degradation of  
**Biomaterials under physiological**  
**conditions :**  
**FOR EXAMPLE:**  
**Dental fillings decomposition by**  
**Various conditions in the mouth**  
**...pH....presence of**  
**various harmfull substances**

**Corrosion of  
Dental implants...**





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# Application of Voltammetry in Dental Medicine

-dental fillings (amalgams)

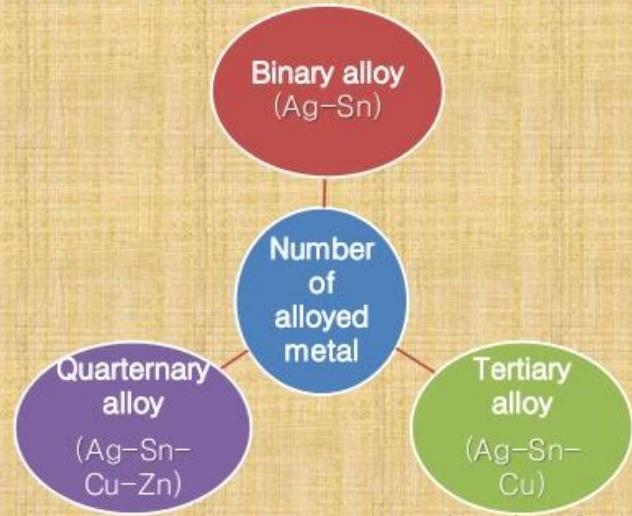


Denal implants



# Classification of Amalgam

## A) According to Alloyed Metals



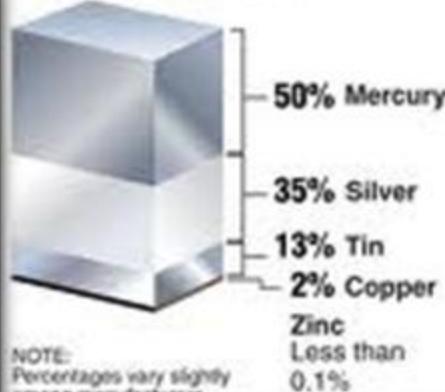
Sturdevant's Art & Science of Operative Dentistry  
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Introduction  
History  
Amalgam wars  
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Components  
setting reaction  
Manufacture  
Properties  
Manipulation  
Recent advances  
Sideeffects of mercury  
Durability  
Future  
Conclusion

# More mercury than silver

Amalgam, the silver alloy used to fill cavities, is 50 percent mercury. While the majority of dentists now use mercury-free composite fillings, many are concerned about possible mercury toxicity.

## Composition of amalgam fillings



## Amount of mercury in ...

- Average amalgam filling 0.5 grams
- Mercury thermometer 0.5 grams
- Fluorescent light 0.04 grams

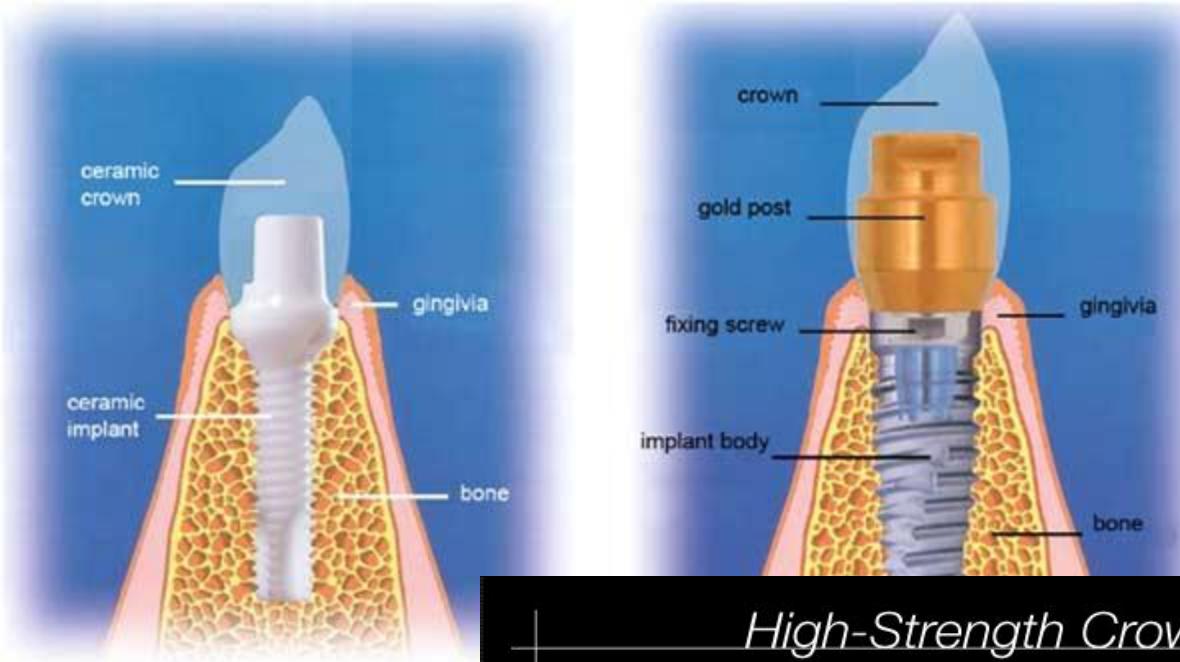
The average American adult has 8 fillings

Source: American Dental Association,  
World Health Organization  
Graphic: Chicago Tribune

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# Dental implants



## High-Strength Crown Options

### BruxZir®

Solid Zirconia Crown



### Gold Crown



### Porcelain and Metal Crown



# Corrosion by the dental amalgam fillings-major problem!!!

## *Types of Corrosion:*

### **1) Galvanic corrosion:**

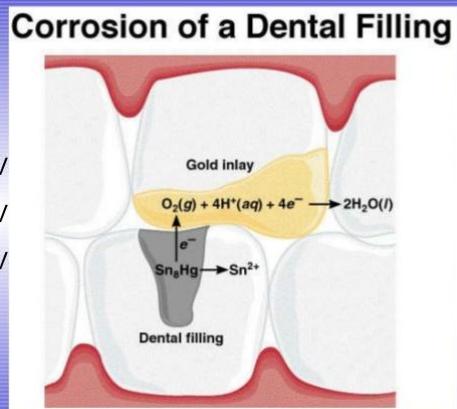
Dental amalgam is in direct contact with an adjacent metallic restoration such as gold crown



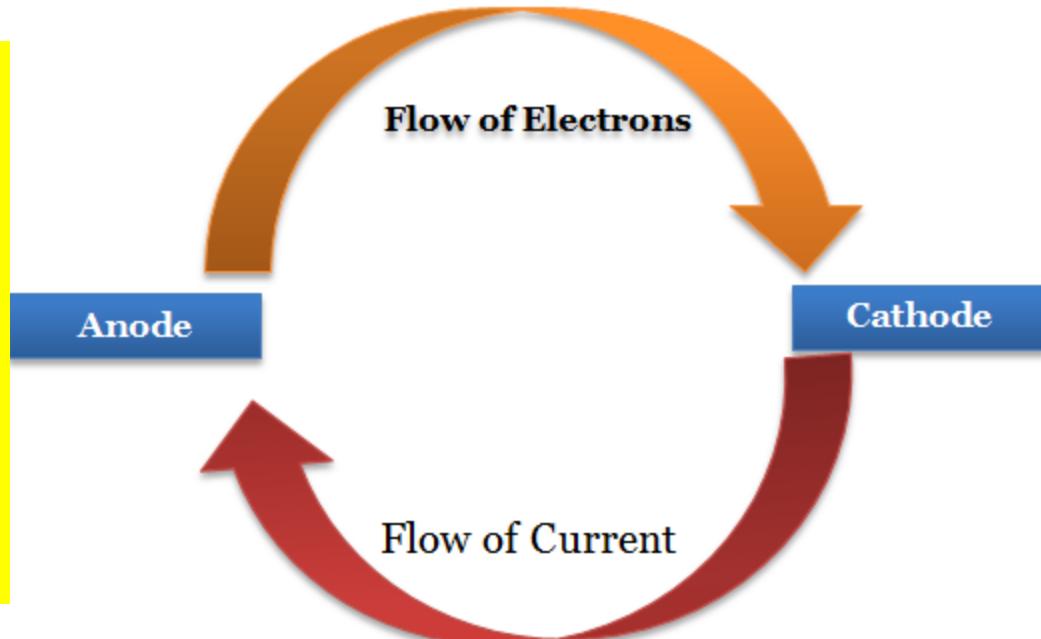
### **2) Crevice Corrosion:**

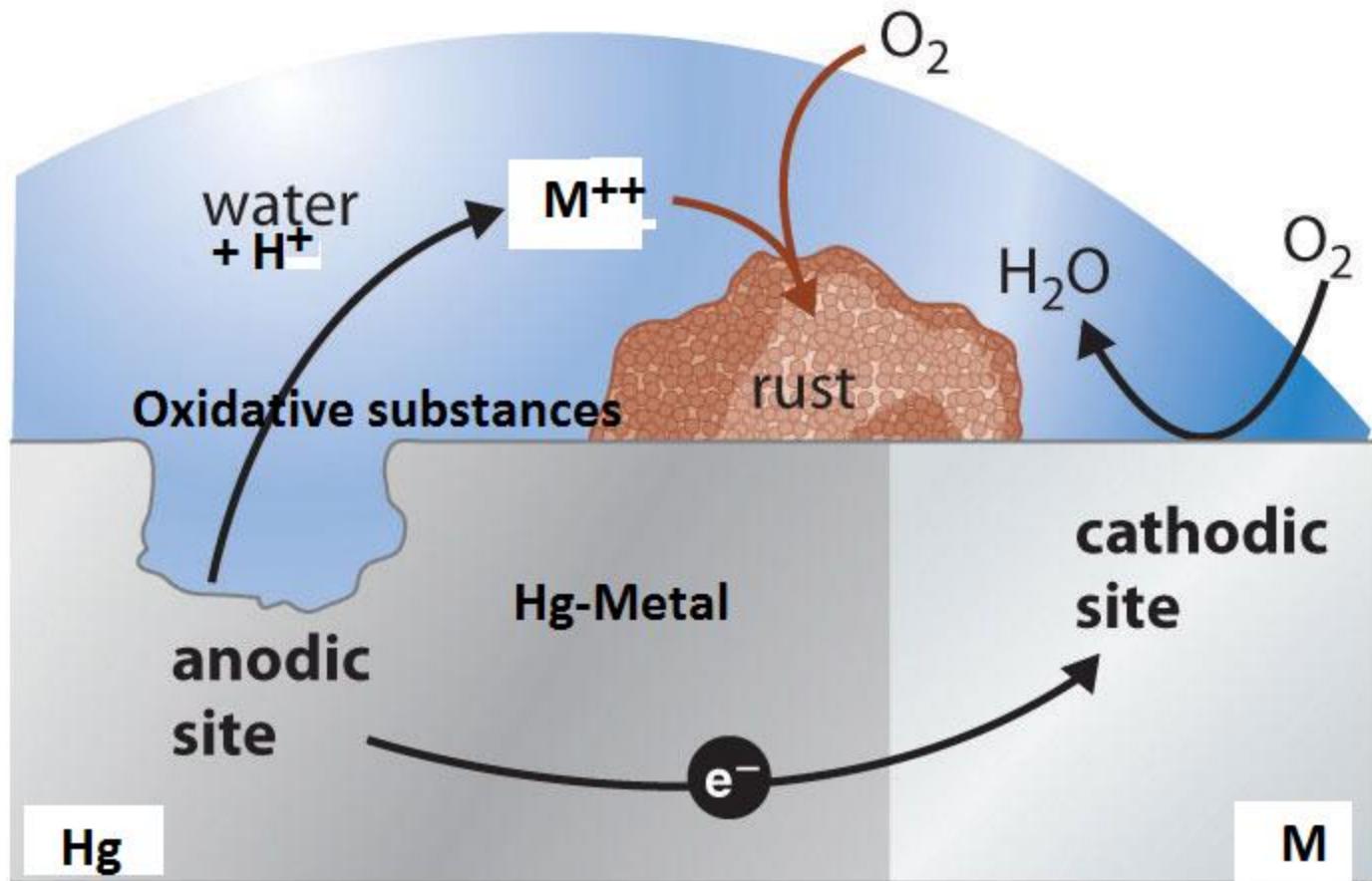
- Local electrochemical cells may arise whenever a portion of amalgam is covered by plaque on soft tissue.
- The covered area has a lower oxygen and higher hydrogen ion concentration making it behave anodically and corrode.





**Galvanic microelement**  
is formed if  
**Amalgam and a  
Gold filling are in close  
Contact, for example,  
which causes  
Amalgam dissolution**





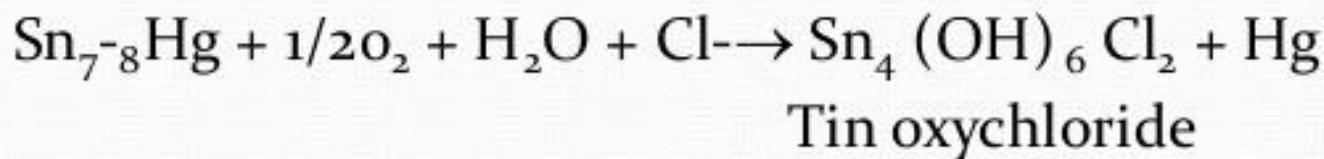
# The processes of amalgam degradation are more significant in presence of:

- Oxidative substances  
**(hypochlorates** present in the water, **Quinones** from the food...)
- in acidic pH
- in presence of some organic ligands
- ...peroxides and free radicals

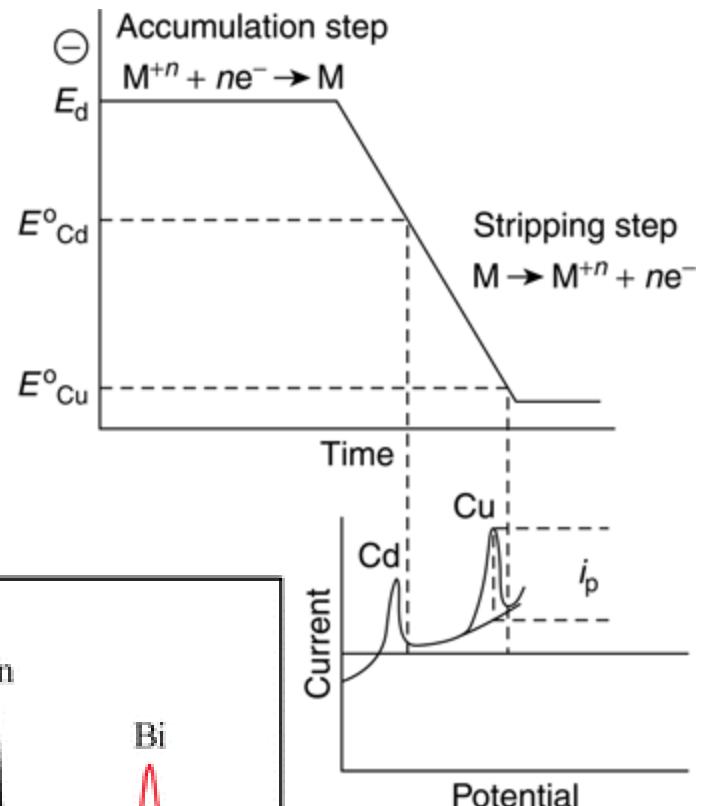
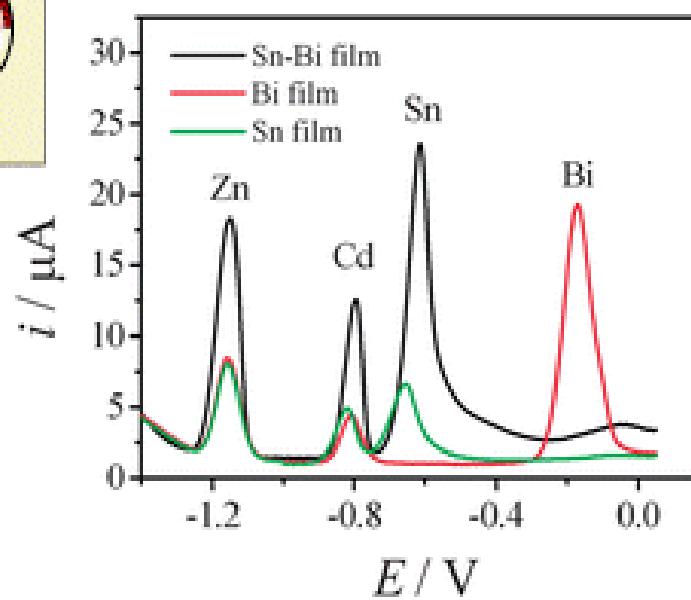
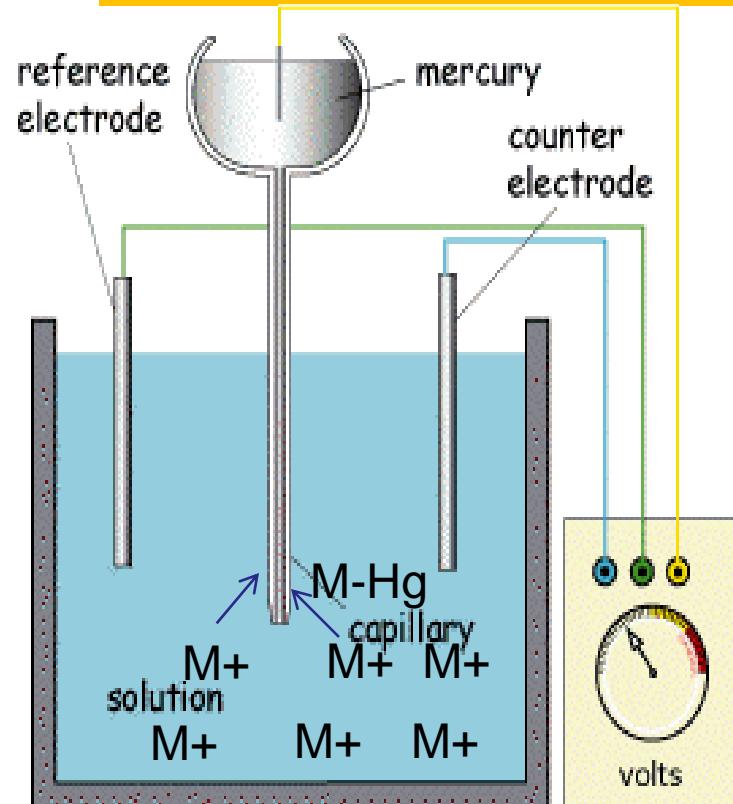


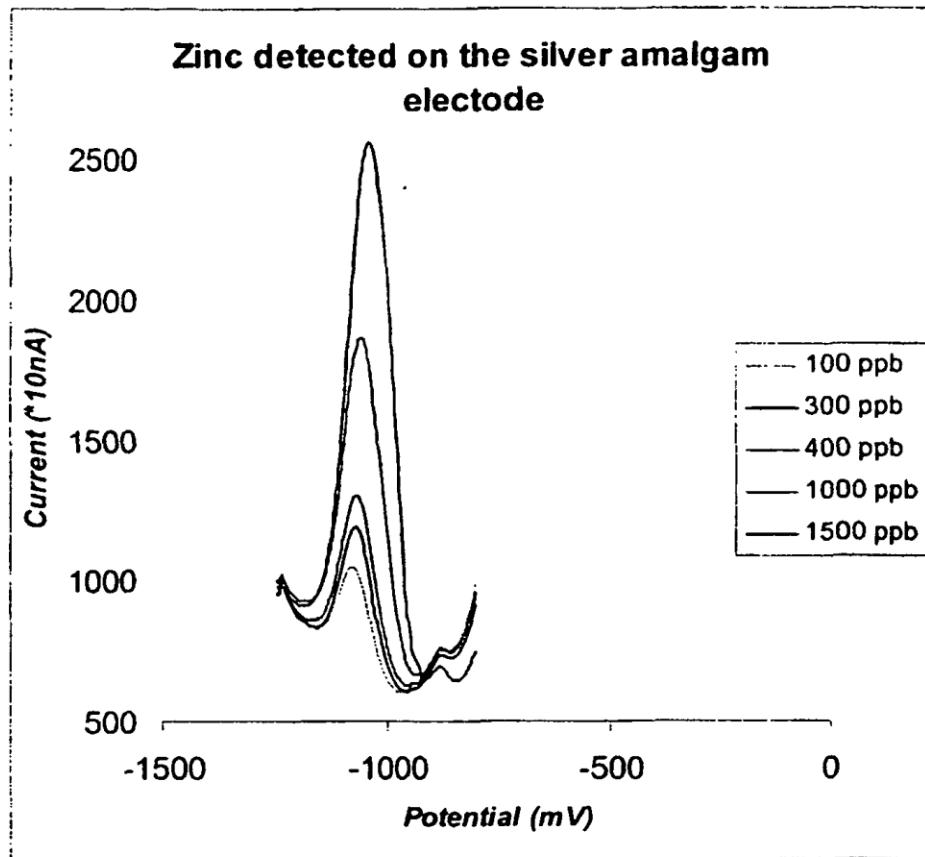
## ***Low copper amalgam system:-***

- Most corrodible phase is tin-mercury or  $\gamma_2$  phase.
- Neither the  $\gamma$  nor the  $\gamma_1$  phase is corroded as easily.
- The corrosion results in the formation of tin oxychloride, from the tin in  $\gamma_2$  and also liberates Hg.

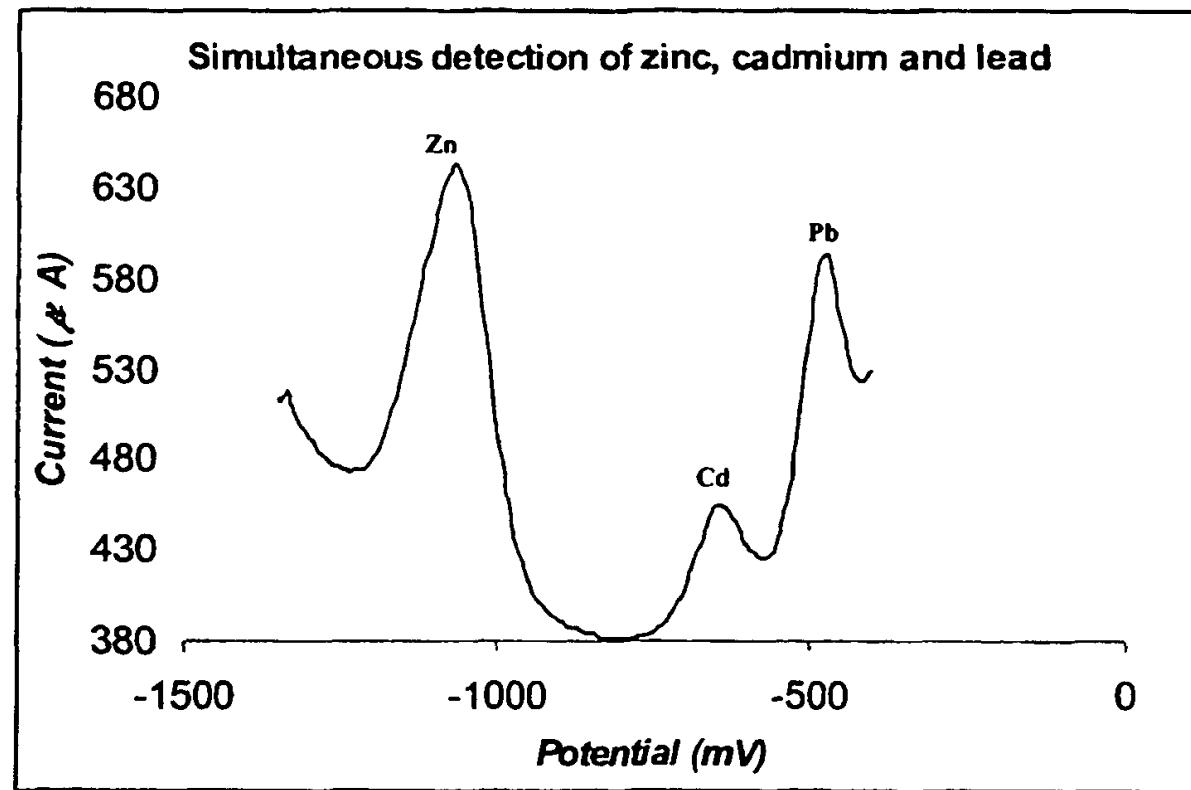


# Anodic Stripping Voltammetry-a Technique Suitable to study the Features of the Amalgams

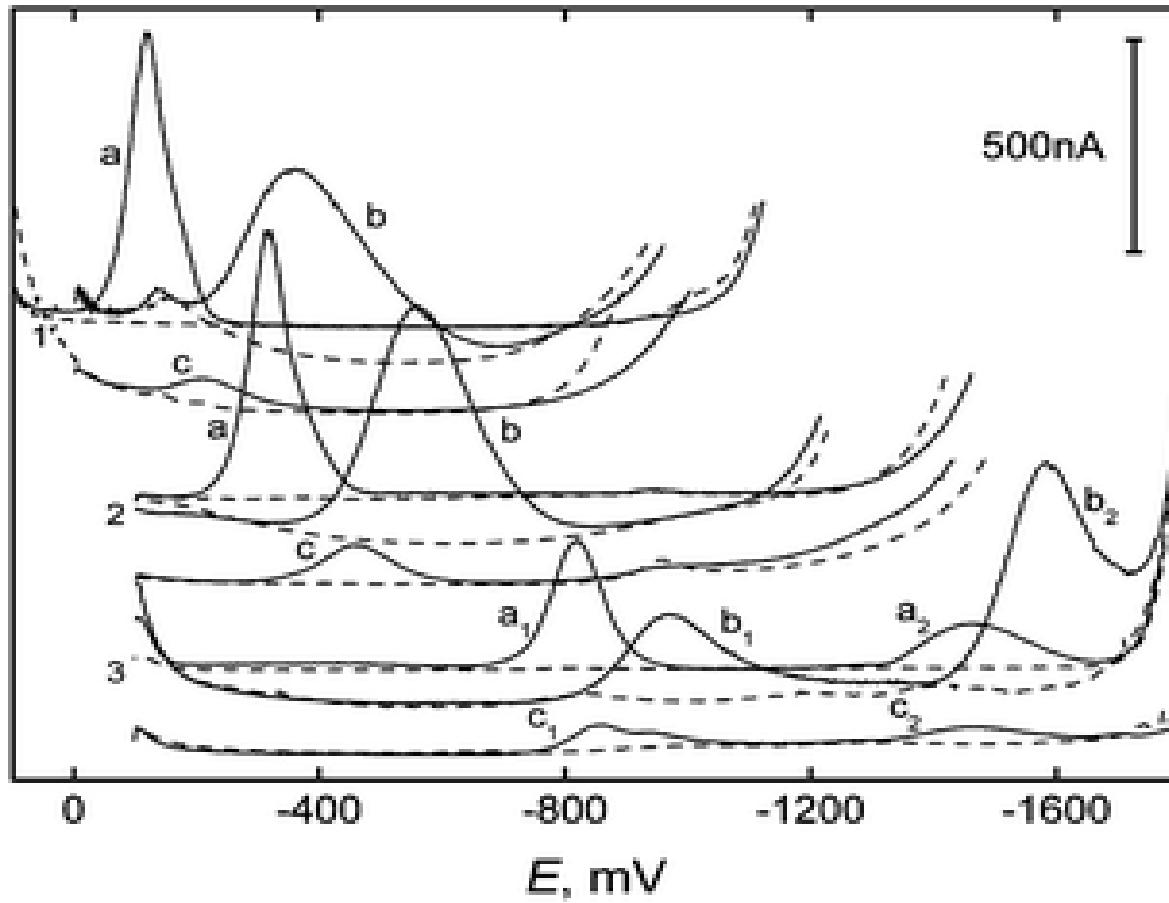




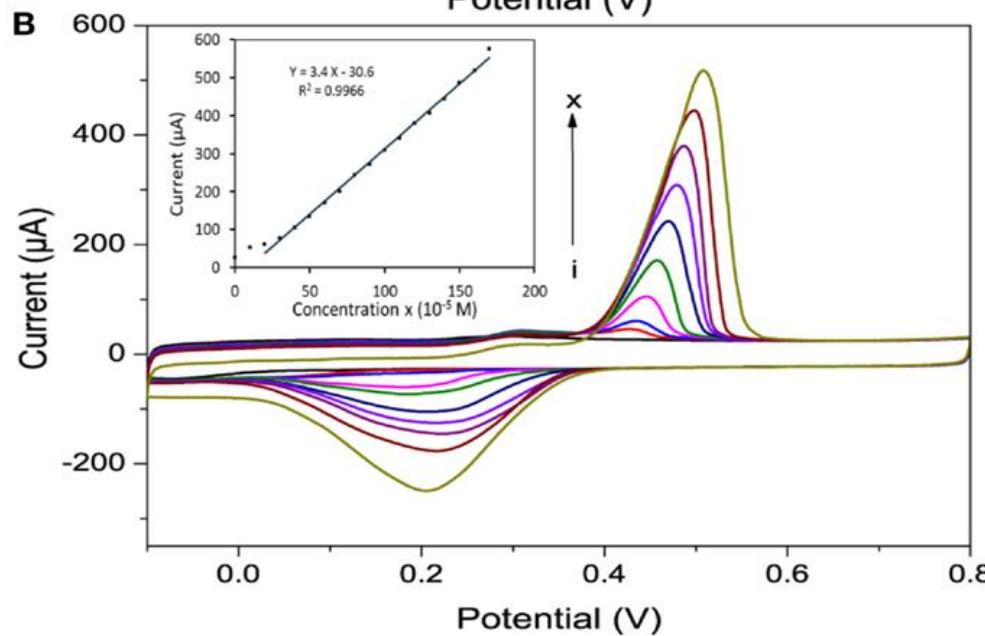
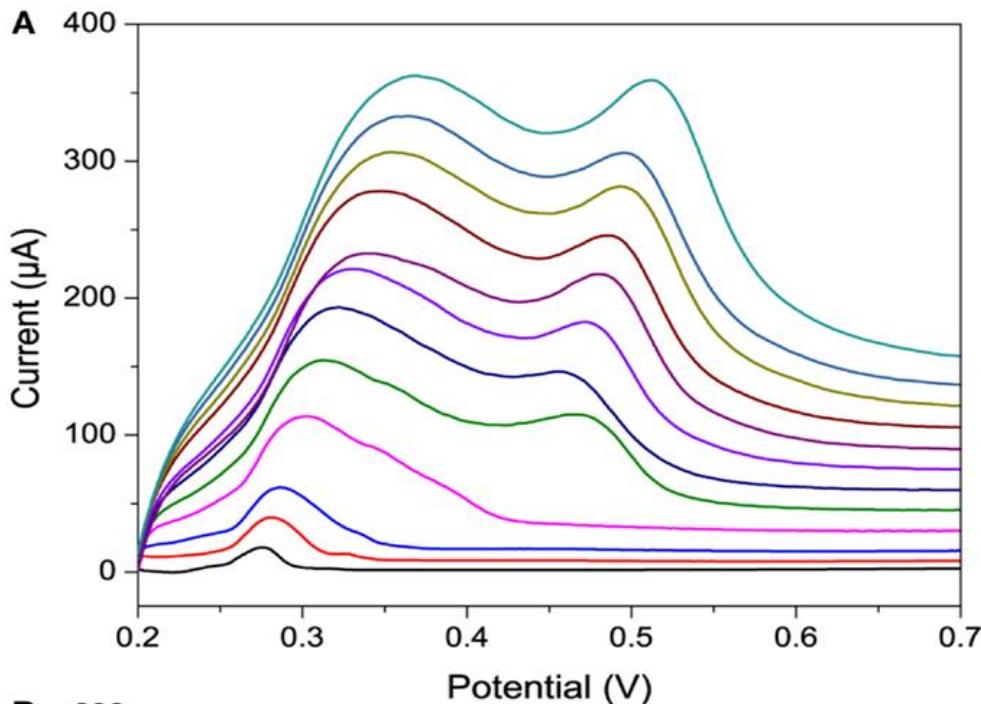
**Figure 4**



**Figure 6**



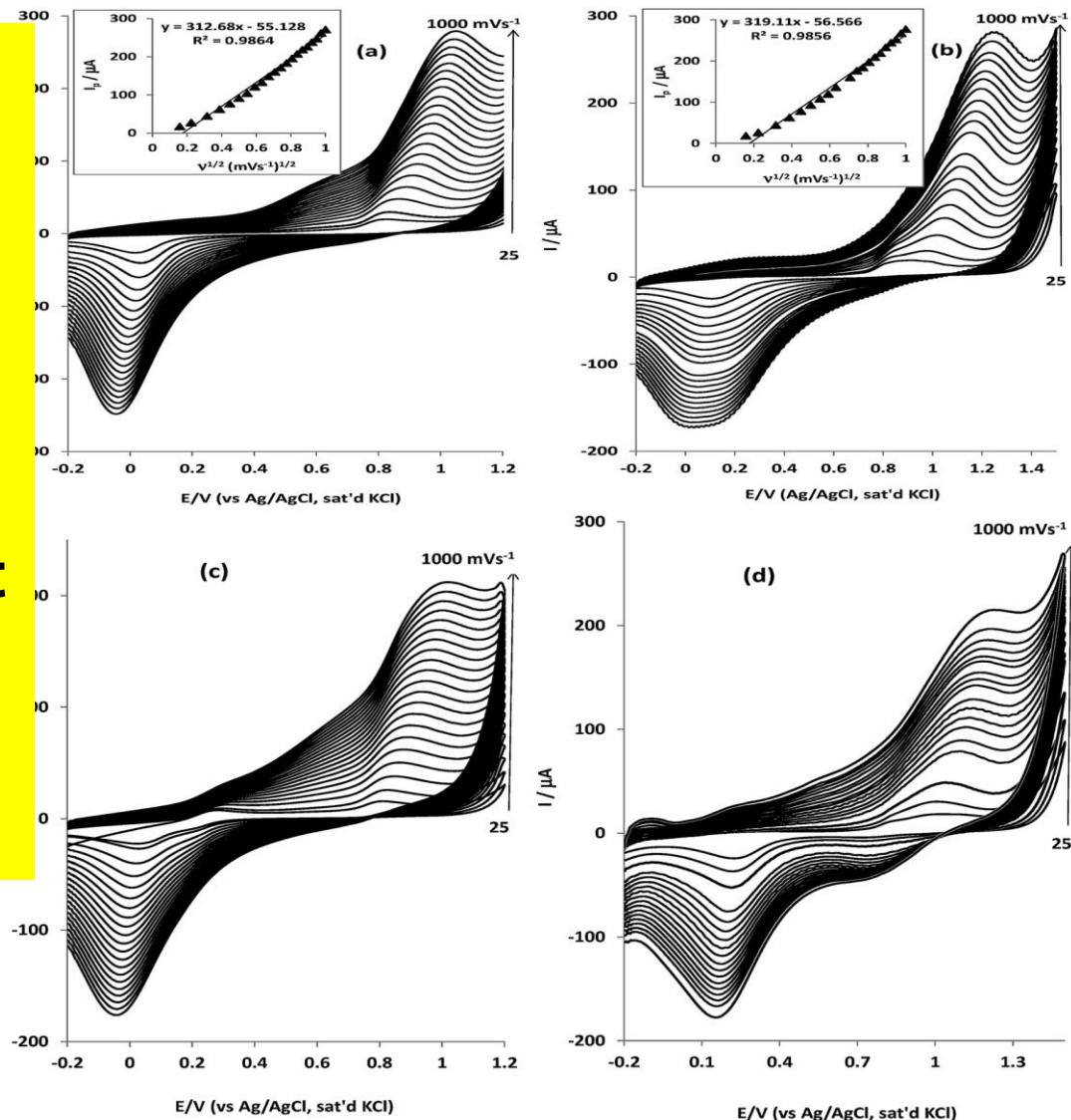
Voltammograms of **silver amalgam** in presence of ***nitrophenols*** in various pH  
pH ranging from acidic to basic



**Voltammetry of dental amalgams in presence of different concentrations of hypochlorites and chlorides... Mercury dissolution!!!**

# Voltammetry -Surface modification of dental fillings

...This operation is  
performed to protect  
Amalgam dental  
Fillings of corrosion



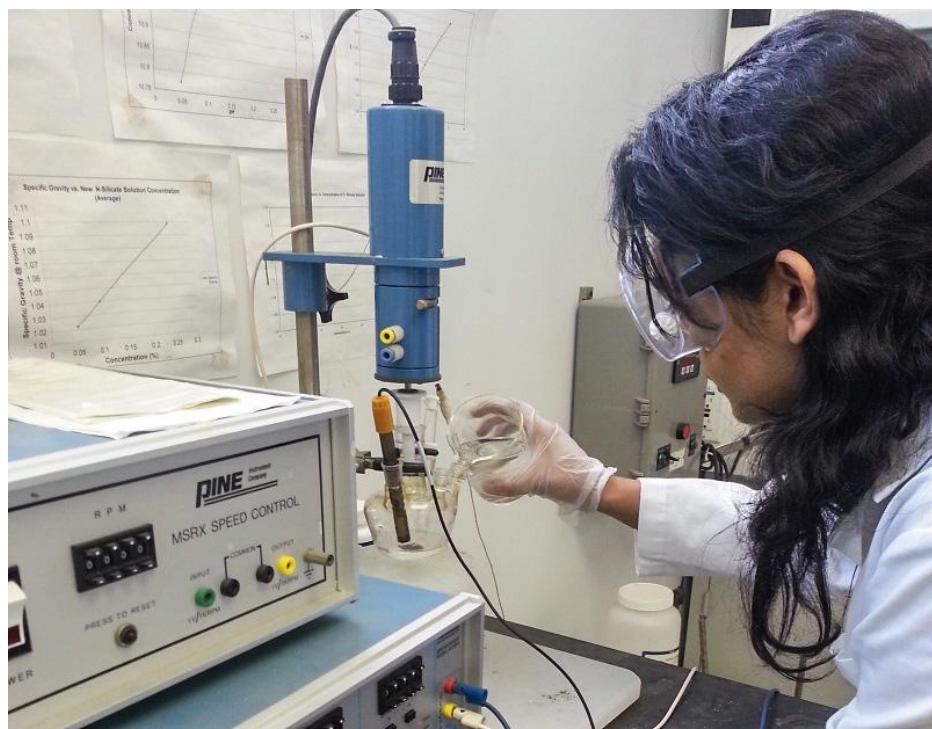
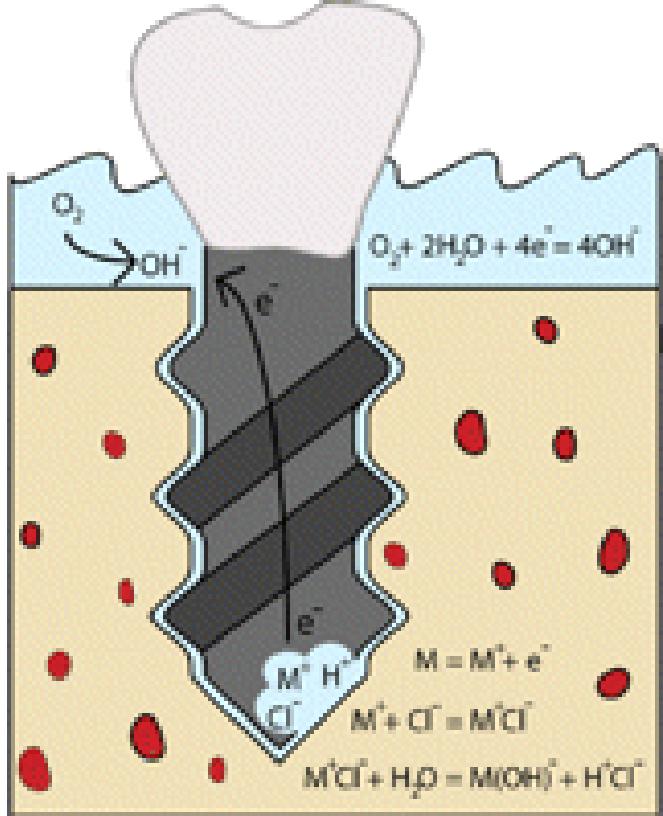
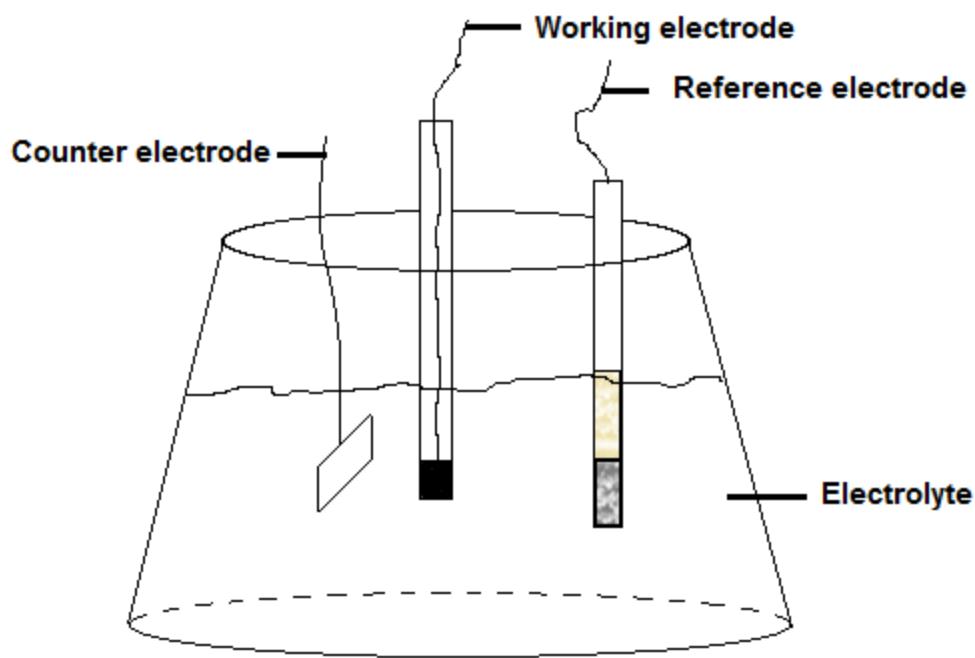
# Dental implants corrosion



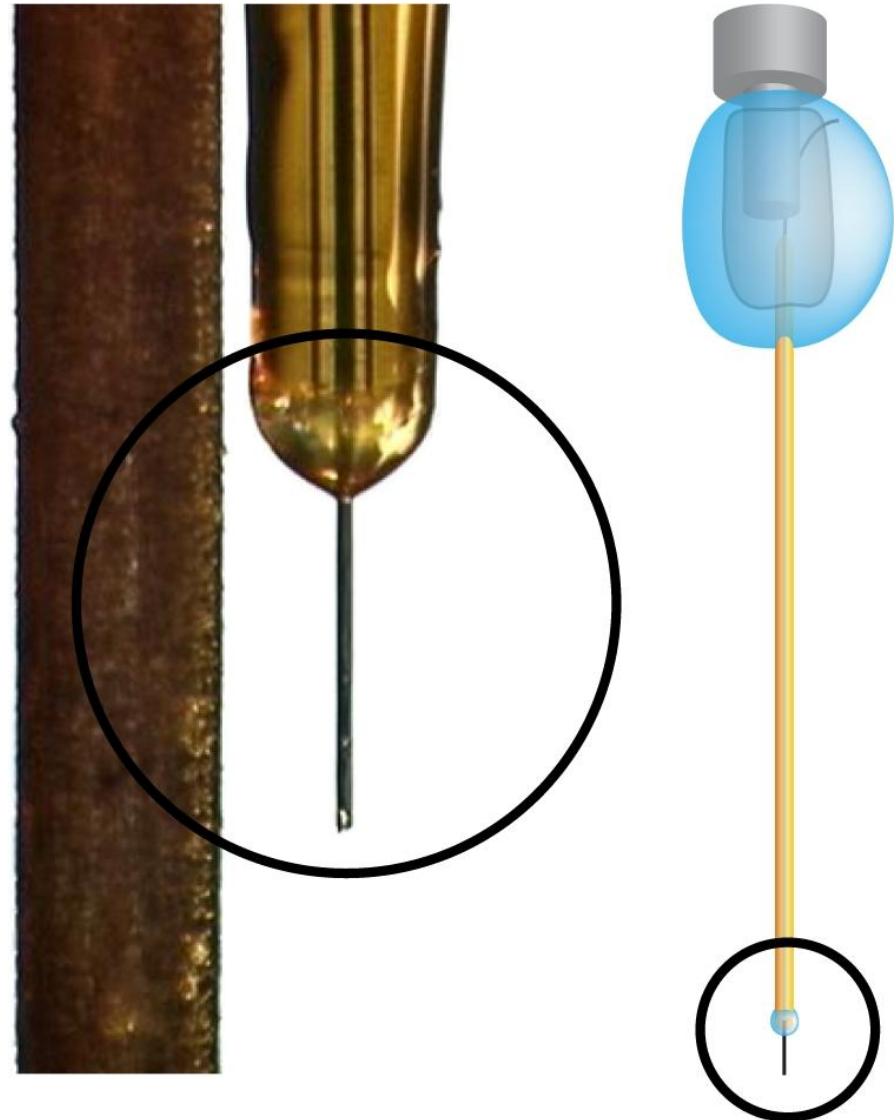
# Co –Cr or Ti-Cr Alloys

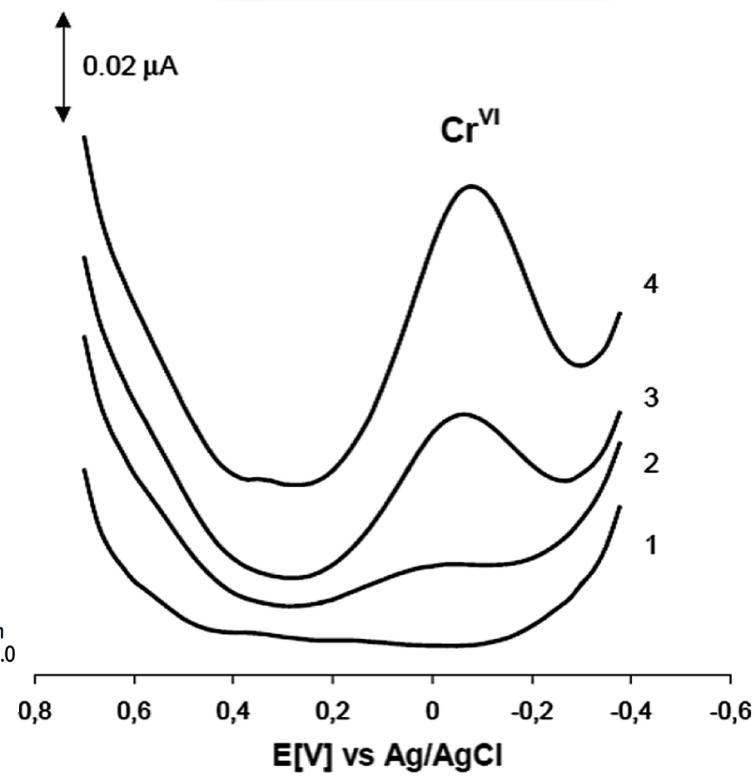
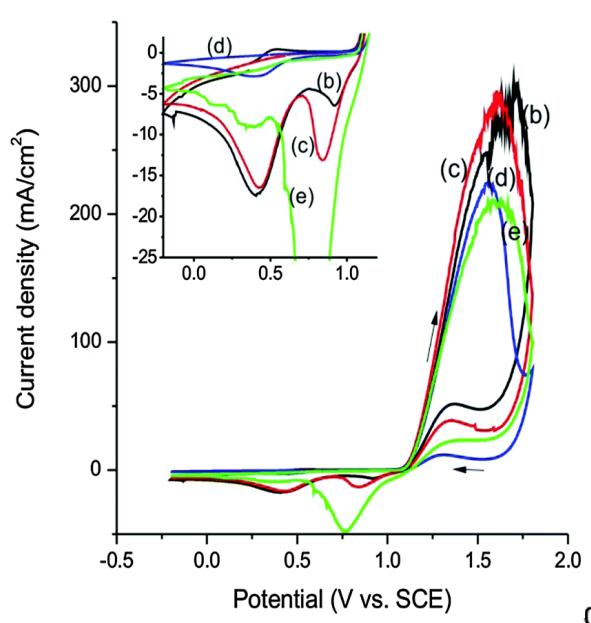
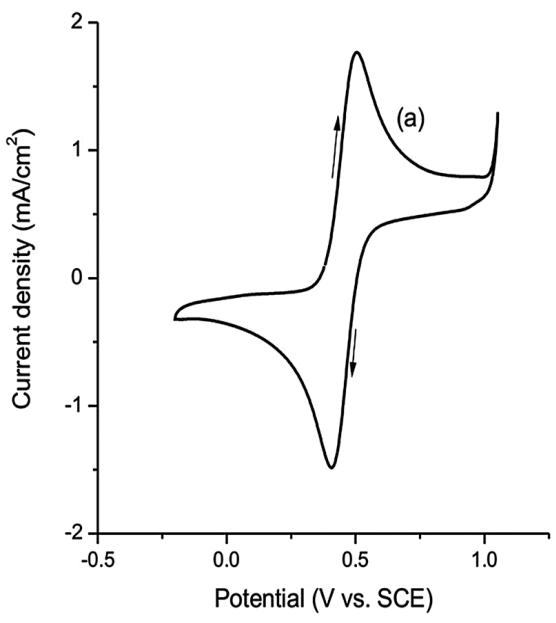
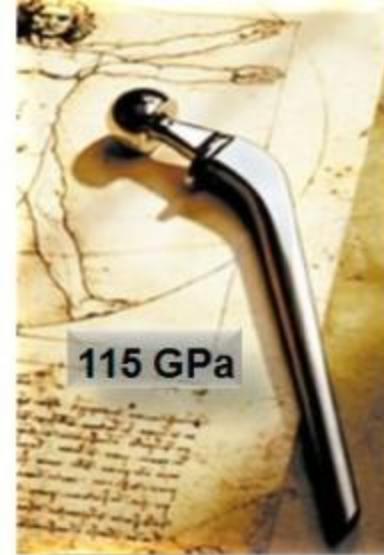
- Co between Fe and Ni
- Forms solid solution with Cr
- **Molybedum added to produce fine grains which results in higher strength**
- **The chromium enhances corrosion resistance as well as solid solution strengthening of the alloy.**
- Metallic Co –used in beginning of the century but was not very ductile or corrosion resistant
- 1930s – vitallium – 30% Cr, 7% W 0.5% C in Co
  - Mostly for metallic dental castings
  - To replace the more expensive gold alloys
  - Larger partial denture castings
- Cast vitallium: dentistry and now recently in artificial joints
- Wrought vitallium: stems of heavily loaded joints such as femoral hip stems





# **Strategy of designing Electrochemical Experiment with Dental Implants and other alloys used as biomaterials...**





**...voltammetry is not a self-sufficient technique...**

**Other techniques are required for complete**

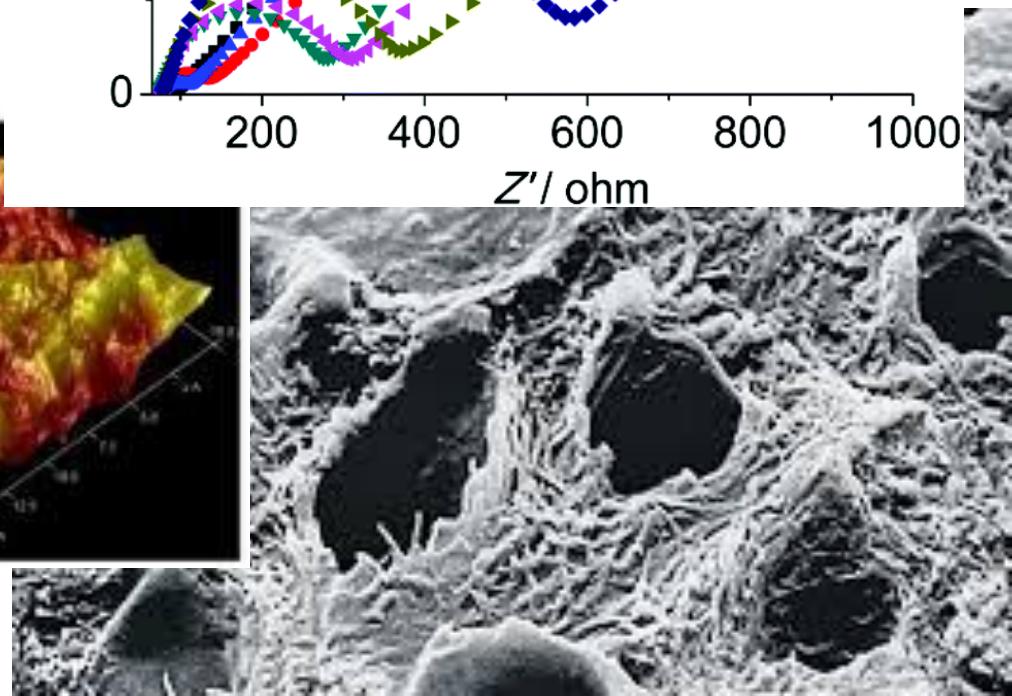
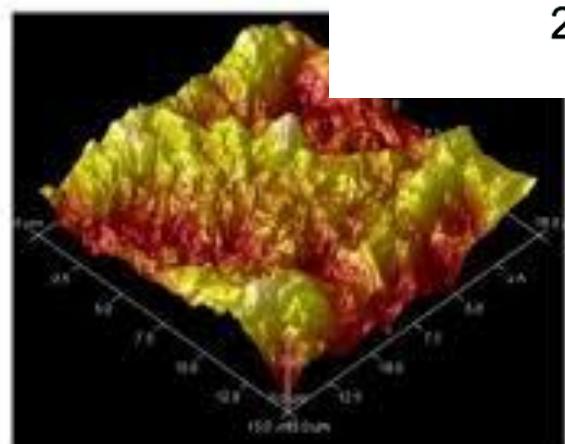
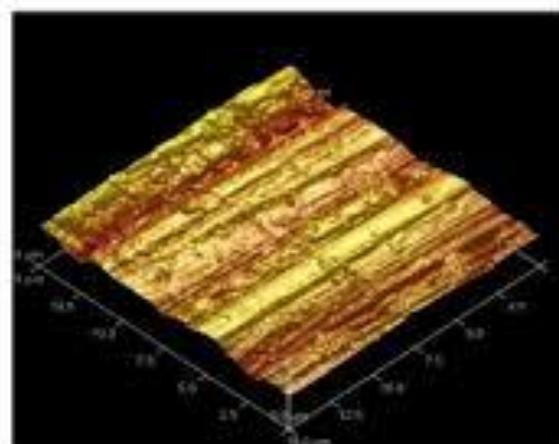
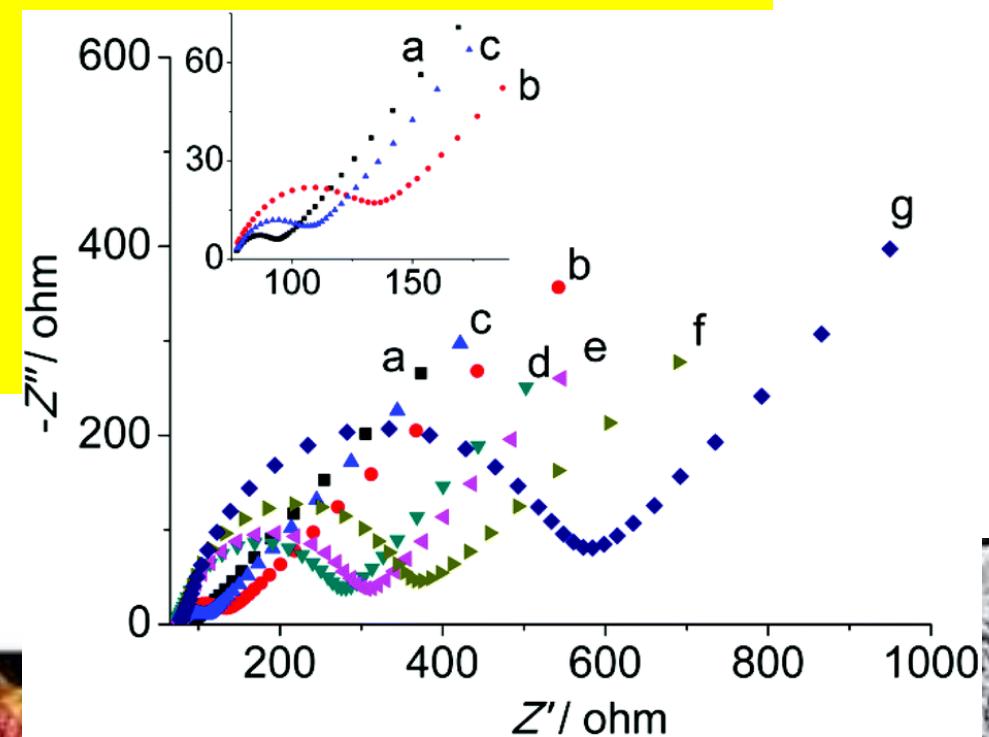
**characterization of the**

**Biomaterials, i.e.**

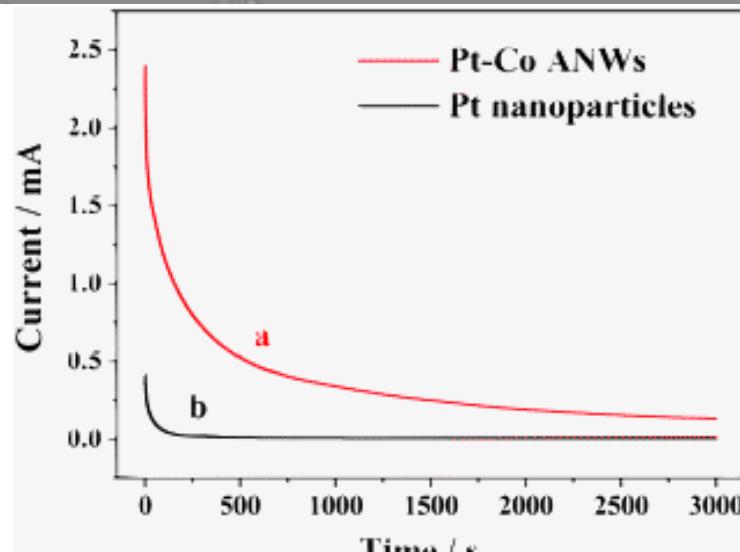
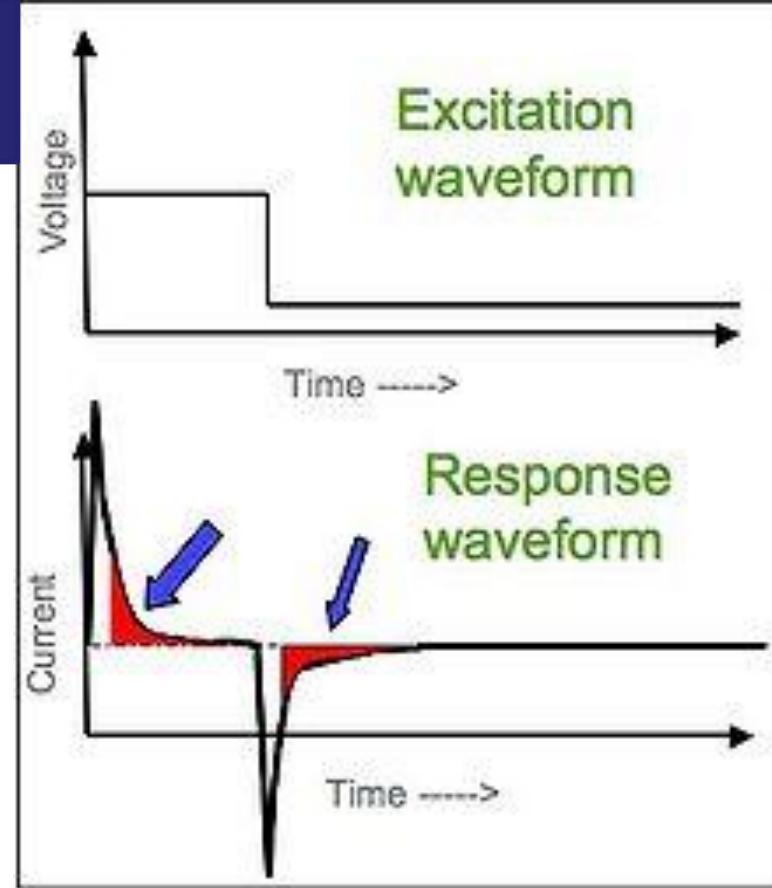
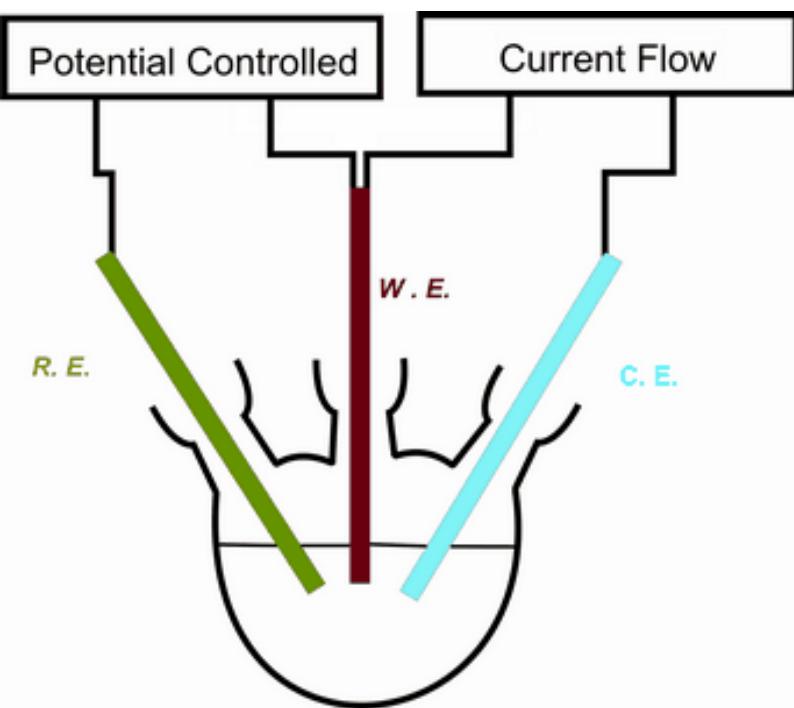
**Impedance Spectroscopy**

**AFM**

**SEM....**



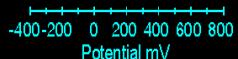
# Chrono- amperometry



# Concluding remarks

Cyclic voltammogram  
of hydroxy-ferrocene.

...ADVANTAGES of using Voltammetry  
for characterization of biomaterilas:



- fast instrumental technique
- extremely cheap instrumentation
- common chemicals are used available in every Lab
- ...suitable for qualitative, quantitative studies,  
Mechanistic studies, kinetic and thermodynamic  
measurements



# Total costs for the voltammetric instrumentation



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