

Electrochemical paper-based analytical devices for biomedical applications

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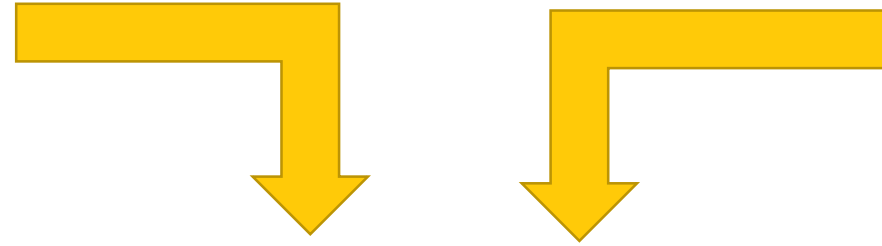
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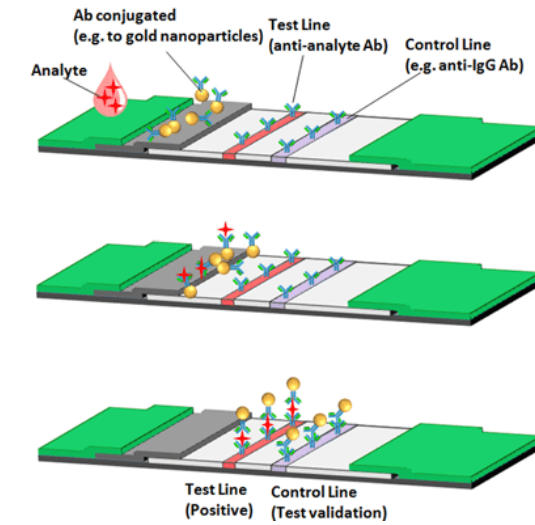
Expensive
Days
Trained worker...



Portable reader



Paper-based Analytical Devices (PADs)



Naked-eyed
Not reliable

Portable reader – Lateral Flow

Clearblue Digital
with Conception Indicator.

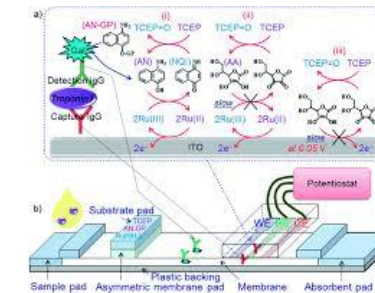
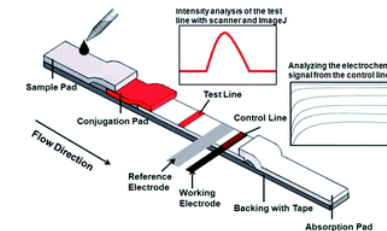
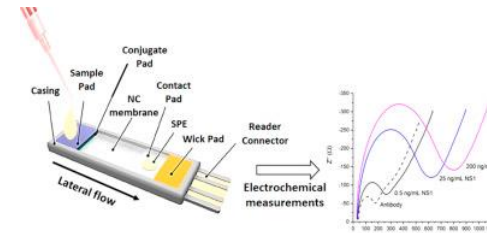


Colorimetric:

- Leds
- Mobile phone
- Expensive...
- High power
- Complicated electronic

Electrochemical lateral-flow

Integrable
Low-cost
Digital (current)



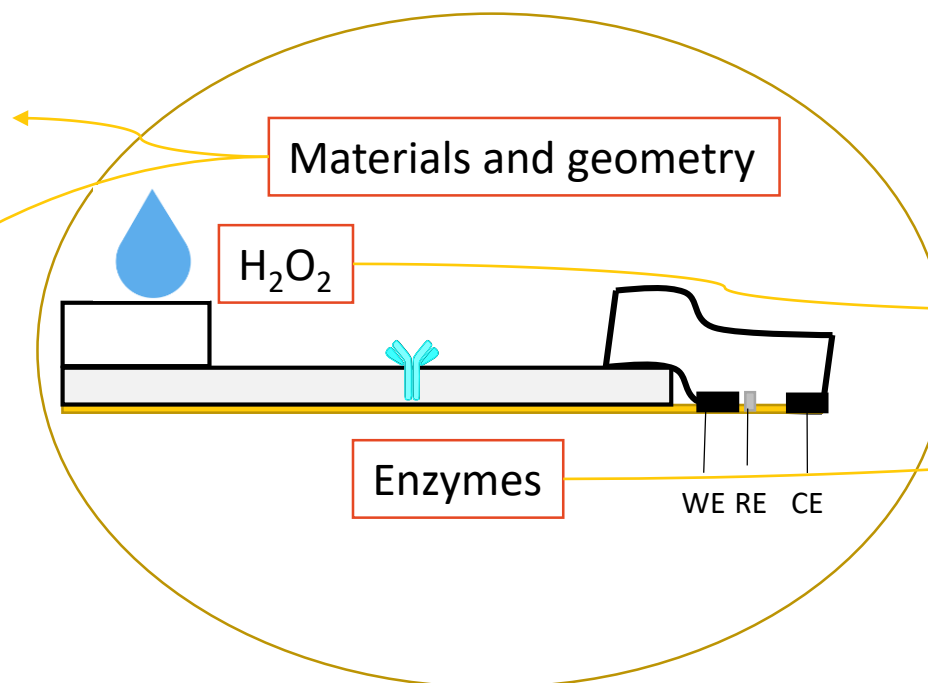
Enzymes
 H_2O_2
Same materials as in optic...

To obtain a low cost digital electrochemical paper-based test device for point-of-care applications

To study different papers
(flow, electrochemistry,
absorbity...):

- Cellulose
- Glassy fiber

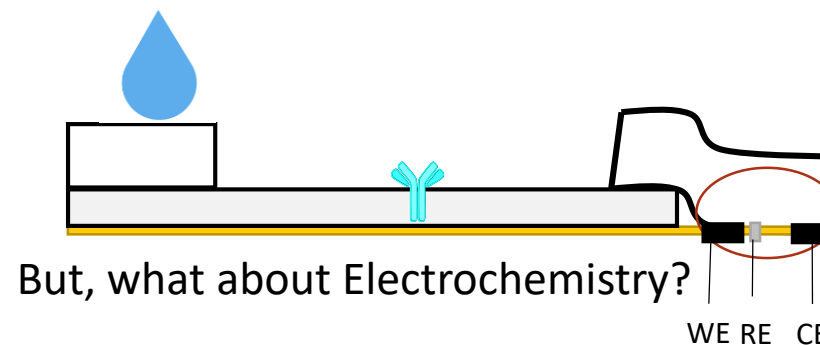
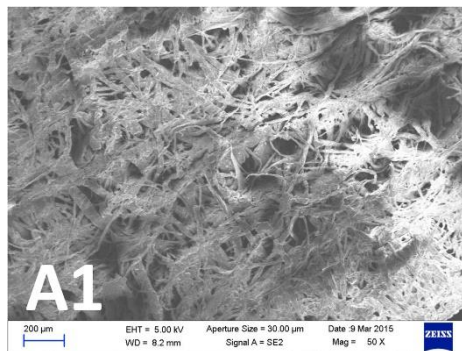
To design a new
geometry more adapted
to electrochemistry



The use of CeO_2
nanoparticles as a
catalysts

Cellulose:

- Can be modified (e.g. nitrocellulose)
- Adsorbent
- High capillary flow



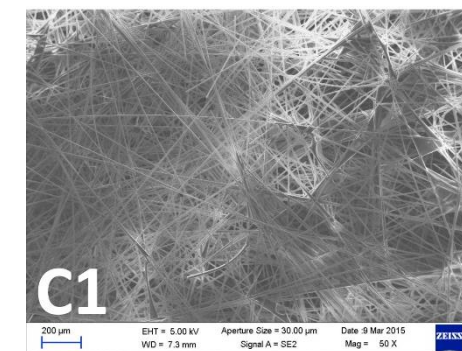
But, what about Electrochemistry?

- Hydroquinone (HQ)
- Ferro/ferricyanide ($K_3[Fe(CN)_6]/K_4[Fe(CN)_6]$)
- Ferrocenemethanol (FcMeOH)



Glassy fiber:

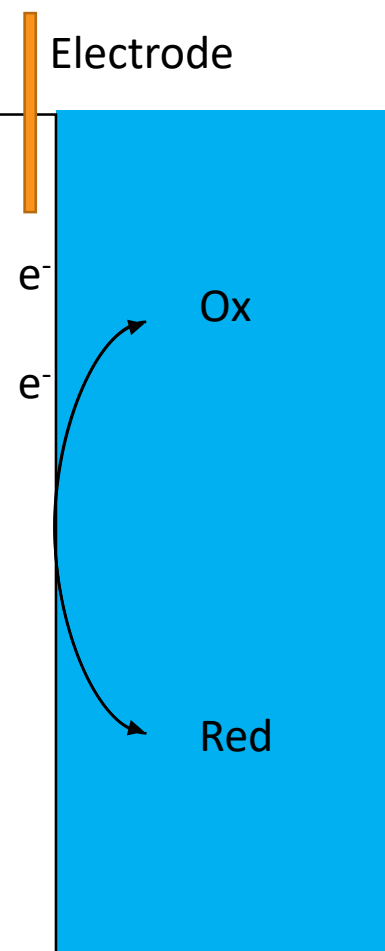
- More porosity
- Not absorb as cellulose
- Less capillary flow



It will be presented as a poster in:
69th Annual ISE Meeting

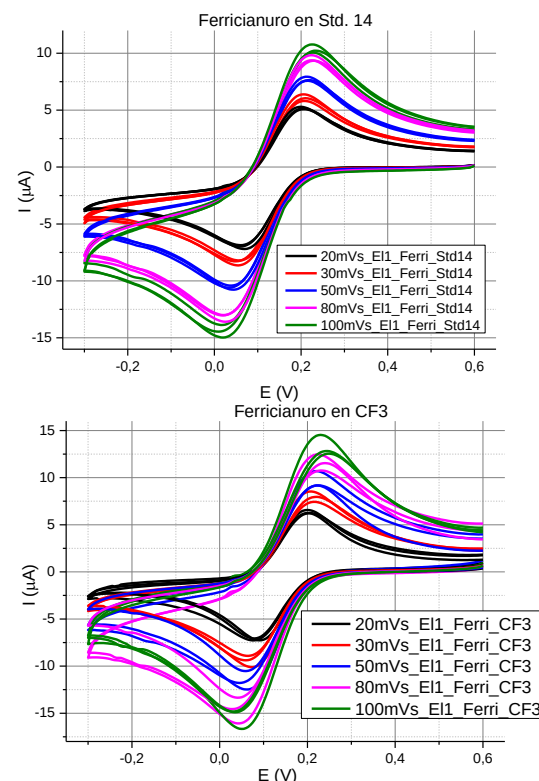


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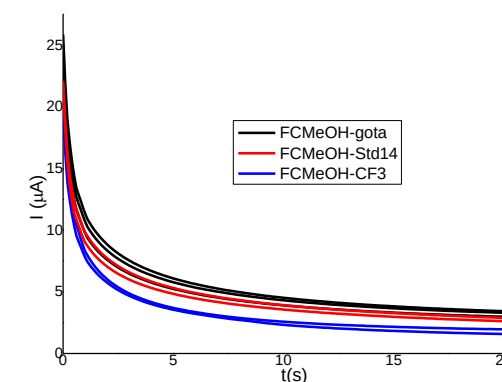
Cyclic voltammetry:

- At different scan rates



Chronoamperometry:

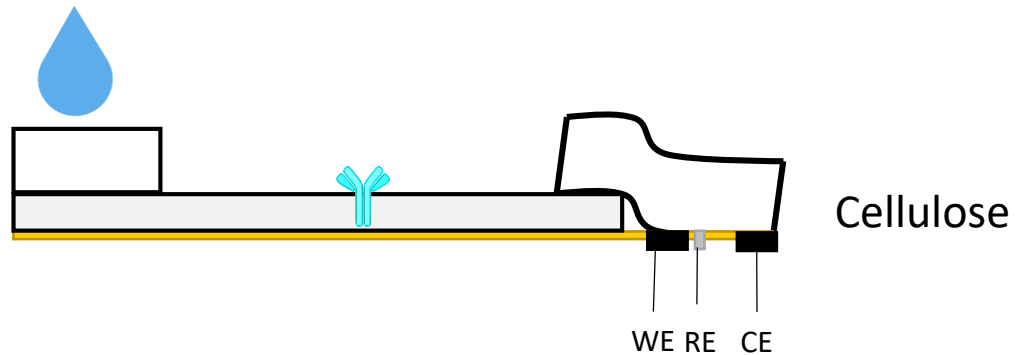
- At control diffusion potential



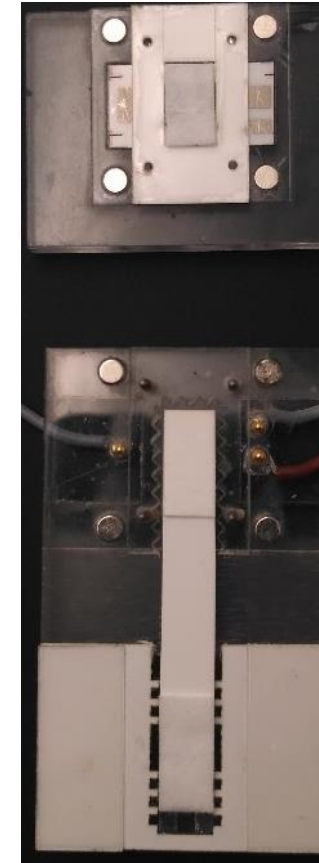
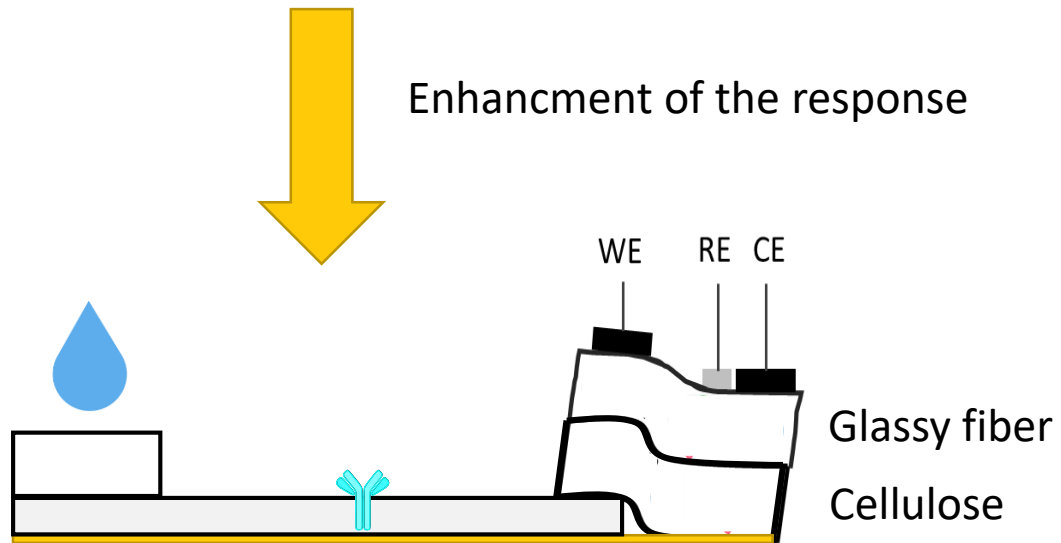
Cellulose has worst electrochemical response:

- Keep studying and future simulations will be done
- We will use glassy fiber as electrochemical matrix and cellulose as an adsorbent and capillary material

New design for lateral-flow electrochemical device



Enhancement of the response



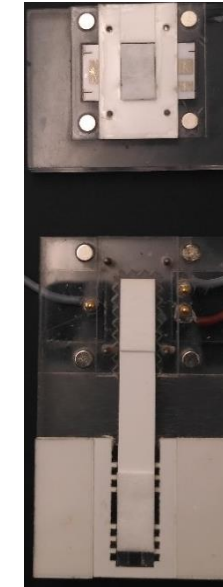
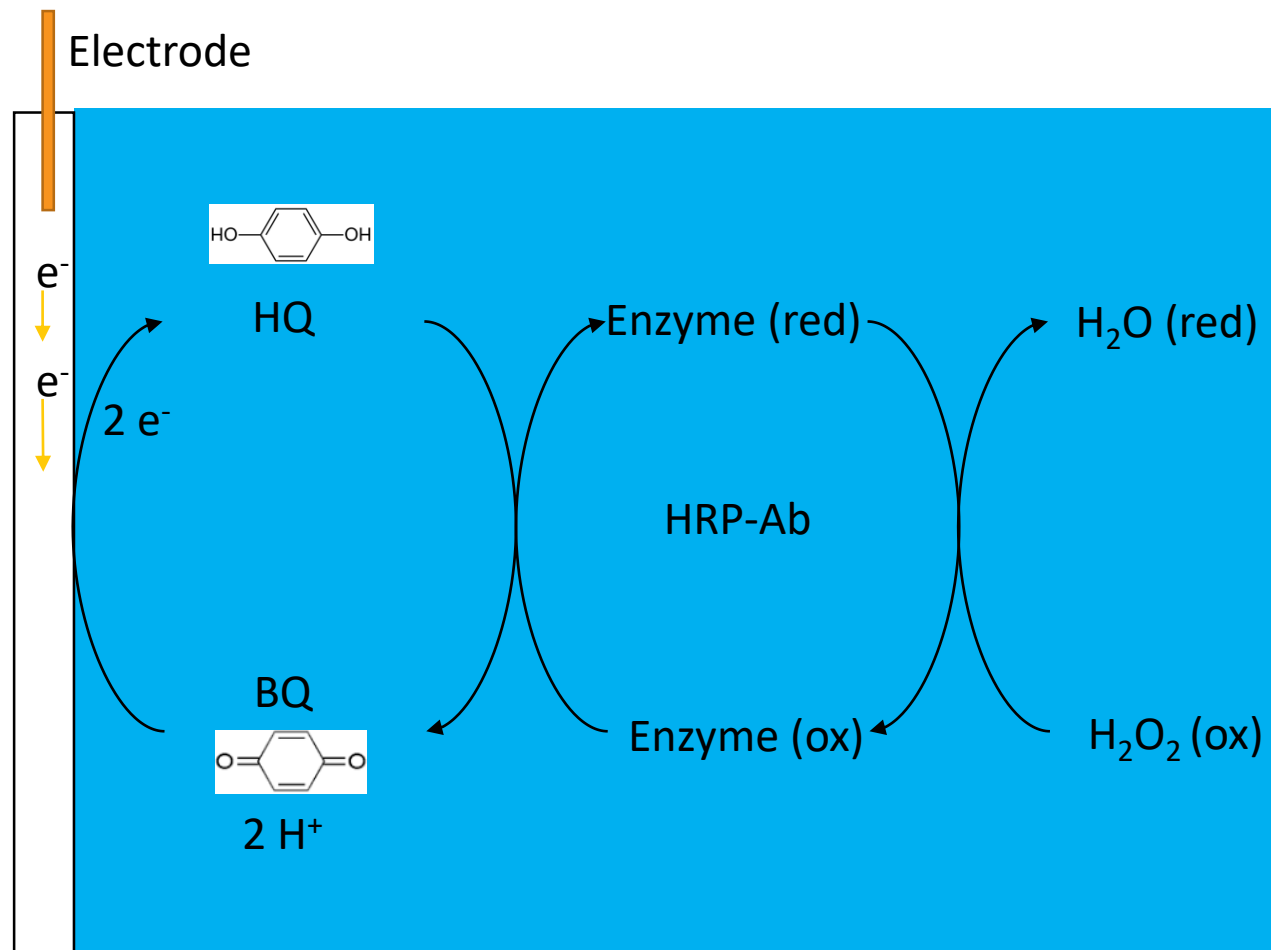
Glassy fiber:

- Good matrix for electrochemical reaction

Cellulose:

- High capillary flow

What we will use to measure electrochemically a disease in a lateral-flow device:

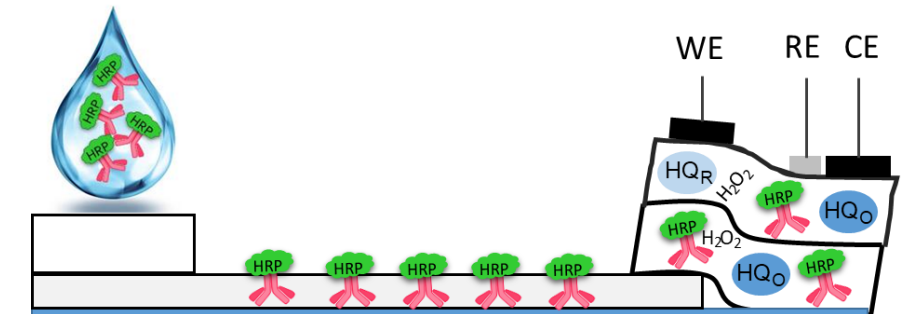


Glassy fiber:

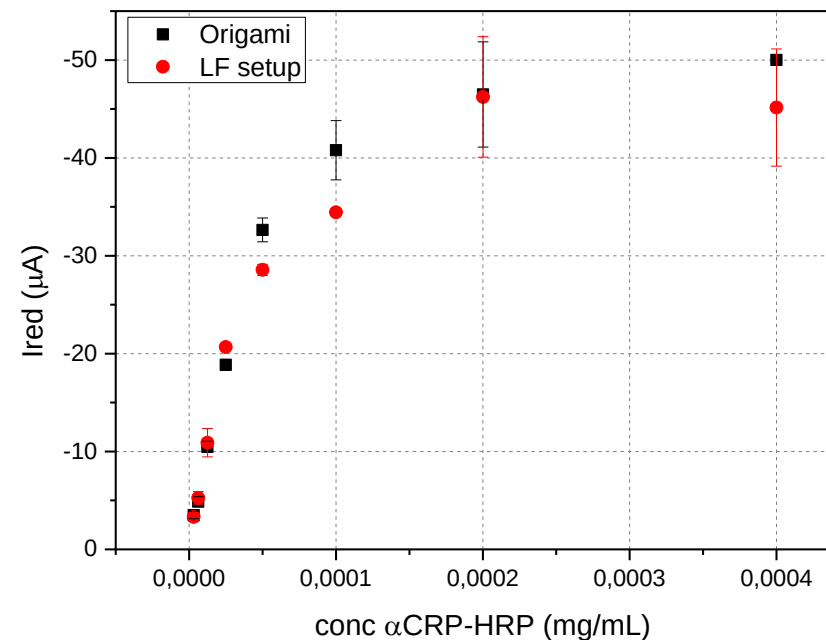
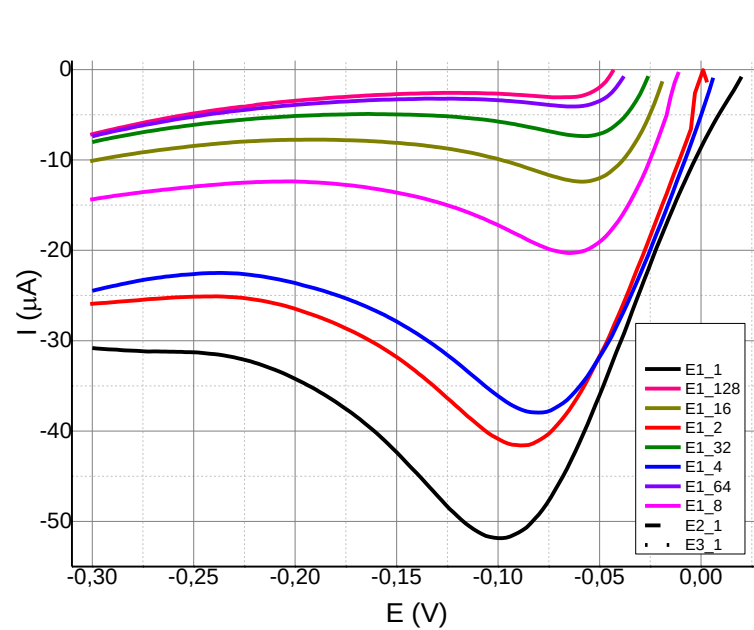
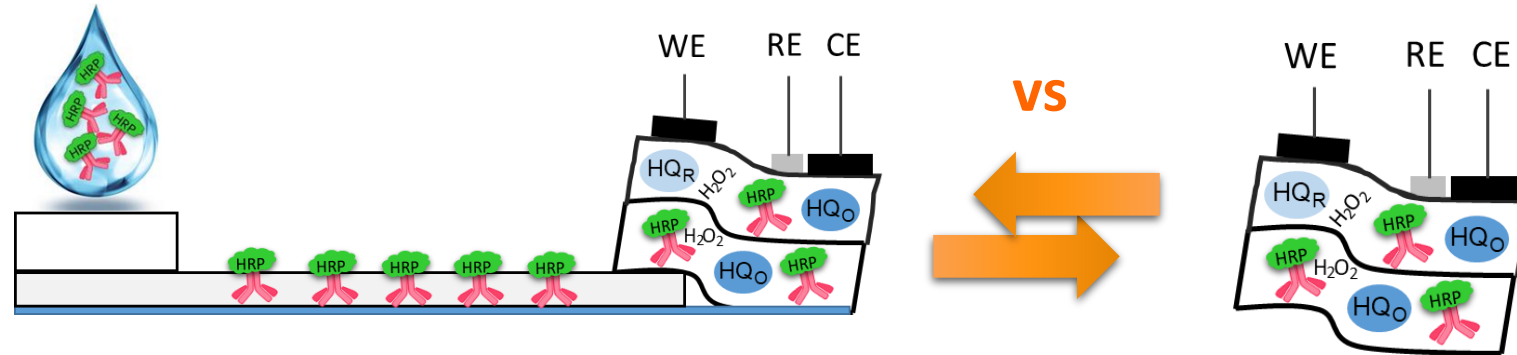
- HQ
- H₂O₂

Cellulose:

- Sample (with HRP-Ab)



How to know if this new geometry works:



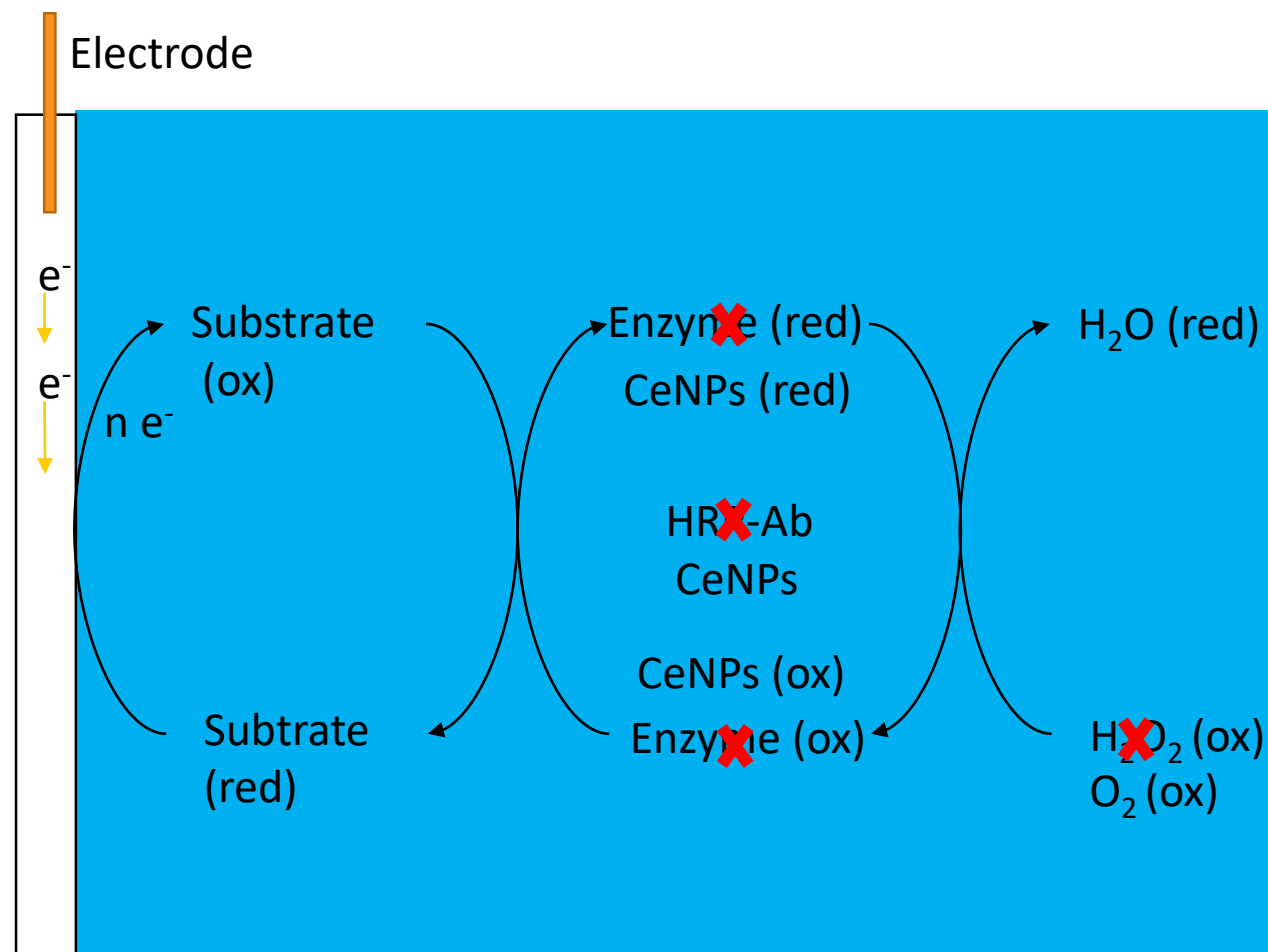
We have the same response

To measure by cyclic voltammetry:

Since now:

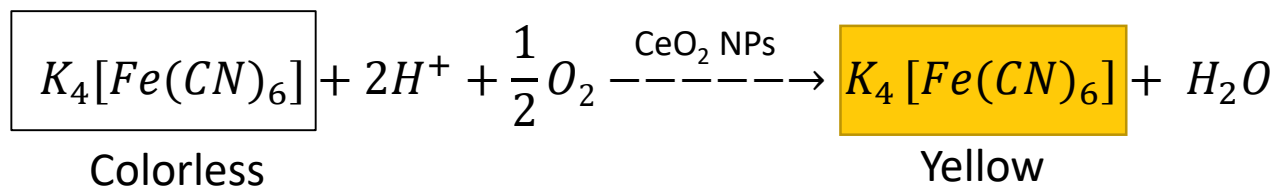
- It is better to use glassy fiber as electrochemical matrix
- Cellulose as adsorbent
- Origami system

In collaboration with:
Inorganic Nanoparticles Group

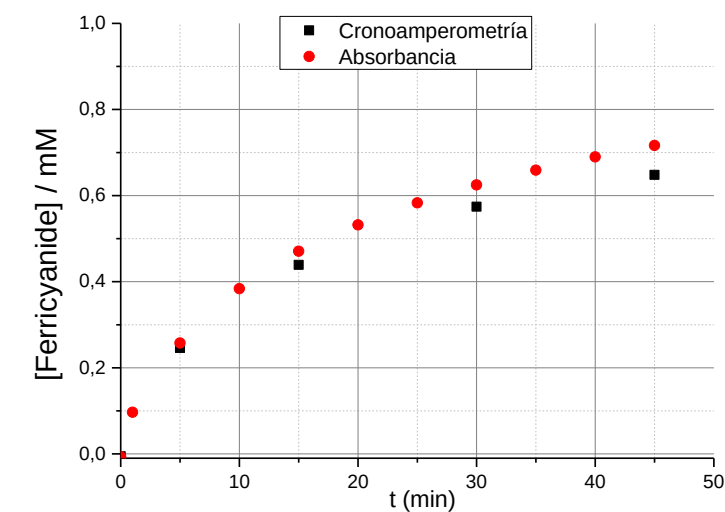
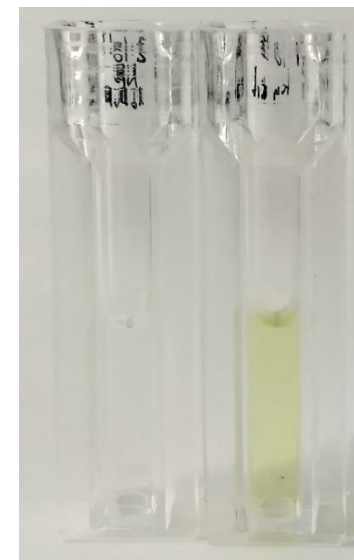
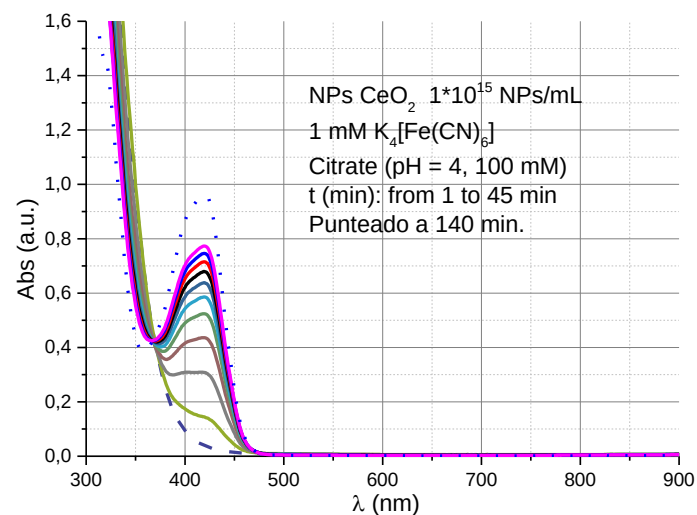
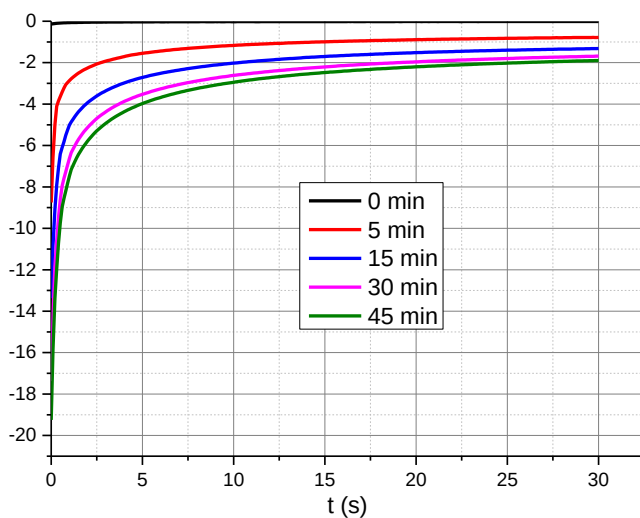


CeO_2 NPs
3nm diameter

To do preliminary test we compare electrochemistry response (chronoamperometry) and absorbance **in solution**:



1. Calibration curve of $K_3[Fe(CN)_6]$
2. CeO_2 NPs + $K_4[Fe(CN)_6]$ at optimum conditions

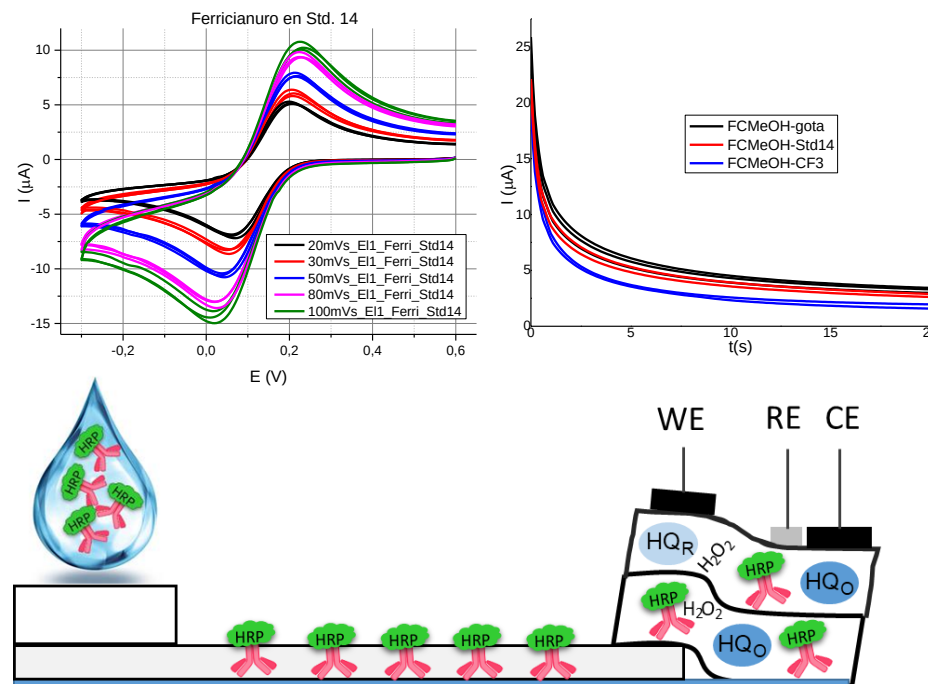


Conclusions of the 1st year

1. Glassy fiber is a better matrix for electrochemical reaction in comparison with cellulose

2. The optimization in geometry adding a new platform to obtain better response has the same response in lateral-flow and without it

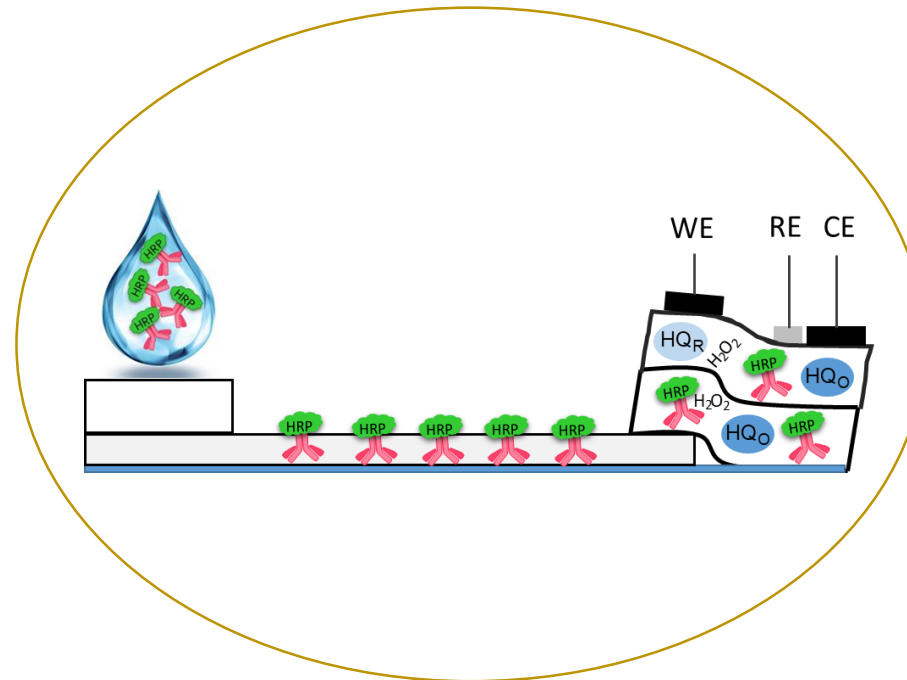
3. Preliminary tests with CeO₂ NPs confirms us that we can use it to substitute enzyme



Future work

To study the activity of
NPs in paper

Conjugate antibodies to
NPs (NPs-Ab)



Test the NPs-Ab in paper
and in the optimized
design

To create completely new
geometry and not based
on lateral-flow