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Cyclic voltammetry told through Chilli Sensing

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Case Study - measuring the hotness of chillies



Cyclic voltammetry

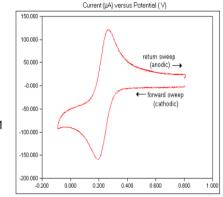
 $i_p = 0.4463 nFAC (nFvD/RT)^{1/2}$

n = Number of electrons

F = Faraday's Constant 96,485 C/mole

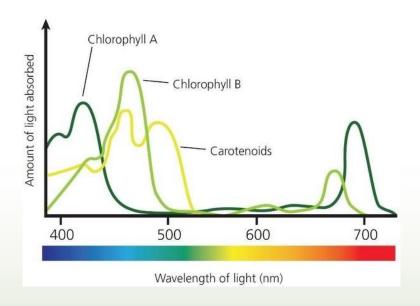
 $A = Electrode Area cm^2$

D = Analyte Diffusion Coefficient cm² s⁻¹



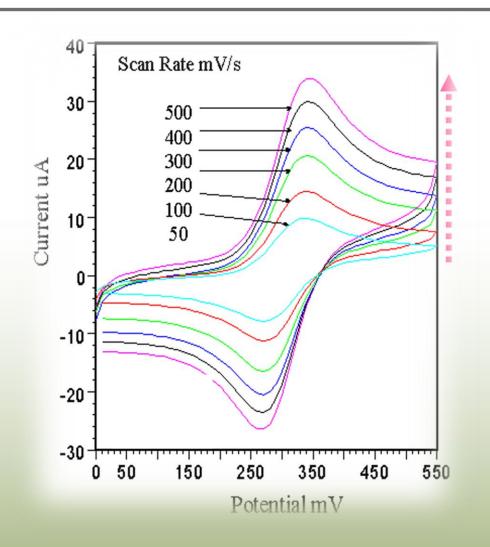
Ratio of i_{pa} to i_{pc} should be close to one, but vary with chemical reactions coupled to electrode process.

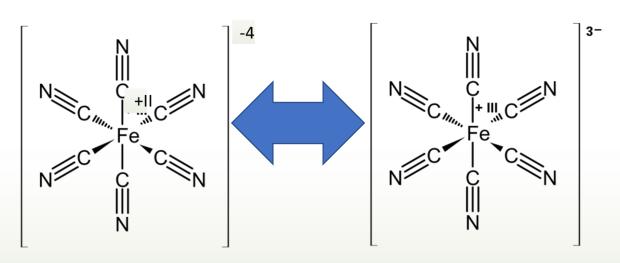
Cyclic voltammetry



Absorption spectroscopy

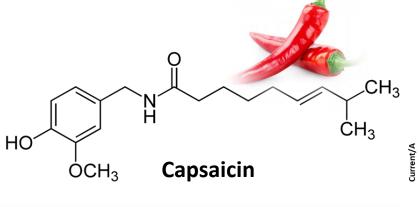
A model system

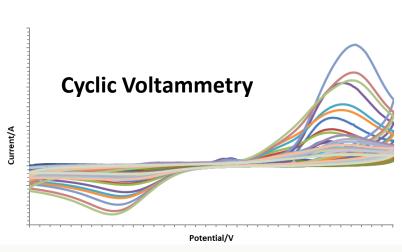




Background













Media

World wide media interest



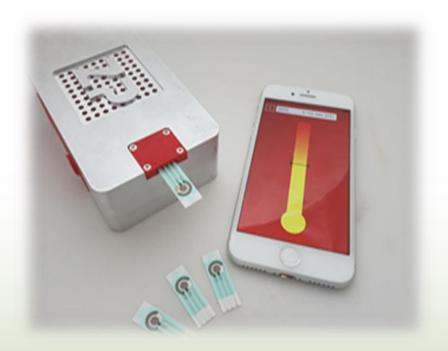
The competition



From glucose to chilli testing



Glucose strip



Chillie strip

Glucose home monitoring

- Offers immediate knowledge of blood glucose.
- No sample preparation
- Used by non-experts.
- Anywhere testing.
- Offers low cost testing.
- Traditionally 20 % accurate, after 15 years 15 % accurate.



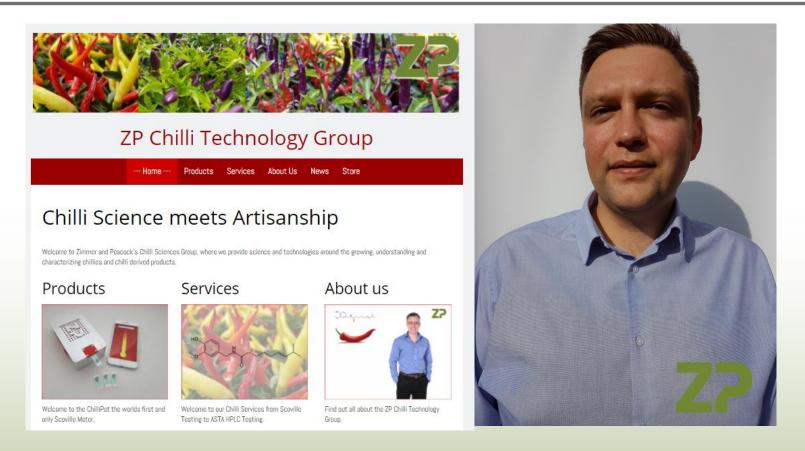
ChilliPot-Scoville Meter

- Offers immediate knowledge of capsaicin levels
- Little sample preparation
- Use by non-experts.
- Anywhere testing.
- Offers low cost testing.

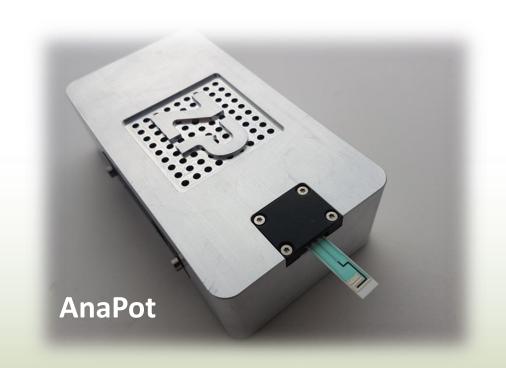
Correlation Coefficient	0.9741	
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Intercept	-0.0812	
Slope	0.0351	
LOD	38.5 SHU	
LOQ	116.8 SHU	
Range	38.5 – 20,000,000 SHU	
Relative Standard Deviation	8.8%	
Cochran's C Test (Observed value)	0.581	
Cochran's C Test (Critical value)	0.653	



Today we are talking about Point of Need Testing for the food industry



Quiz – spot the difference





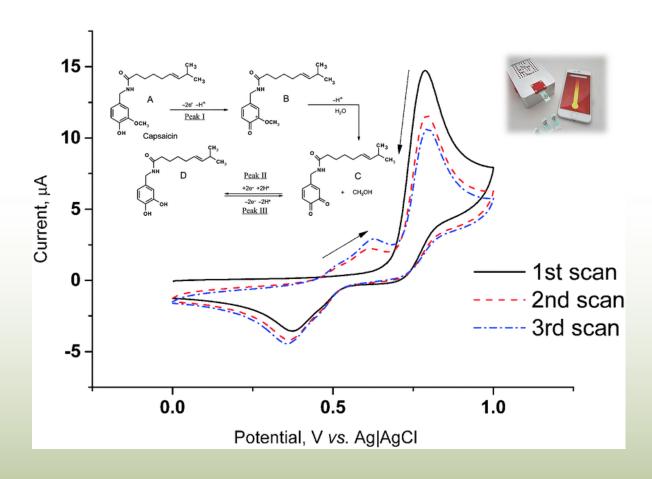
The Scicence—Chilli Sensor

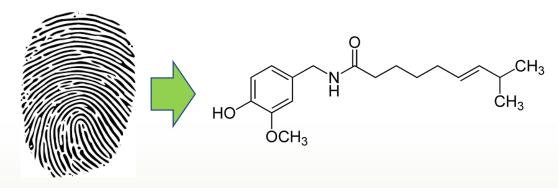
• Hotness measurement



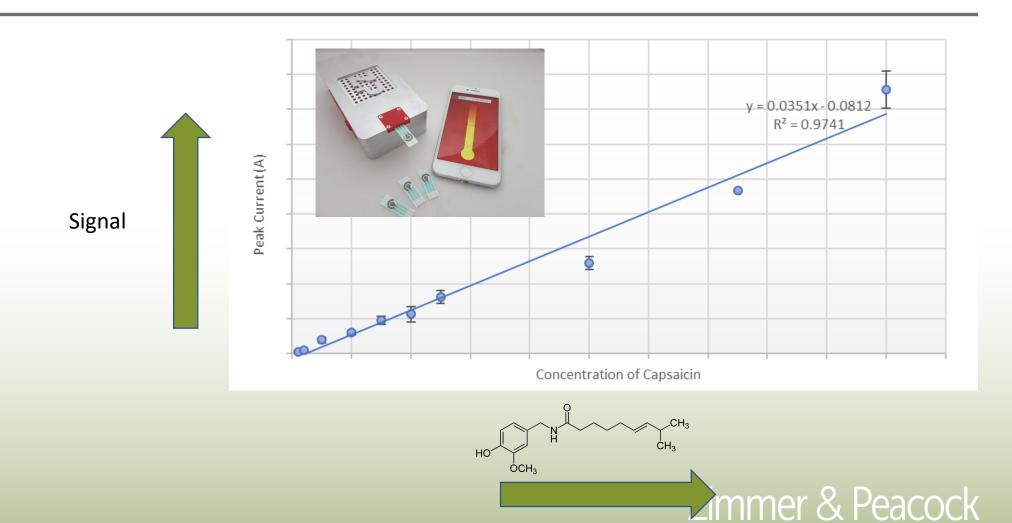
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What we do – the science





Signal to user friendly number



Our shopping list

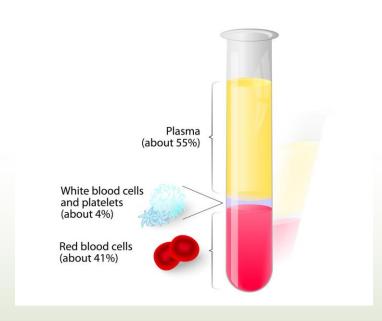


Matrix effect



- Chilli Sauce
- Chilli Pepper
- Chilli Powder
- Chilli Paste

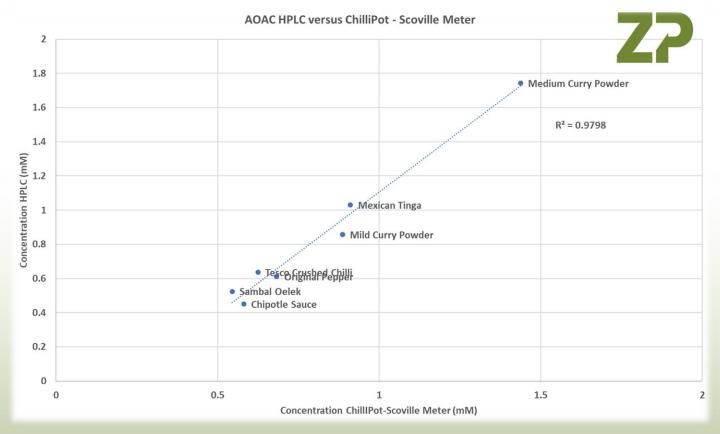
COMPOSITION OF WHOLE BLOOD



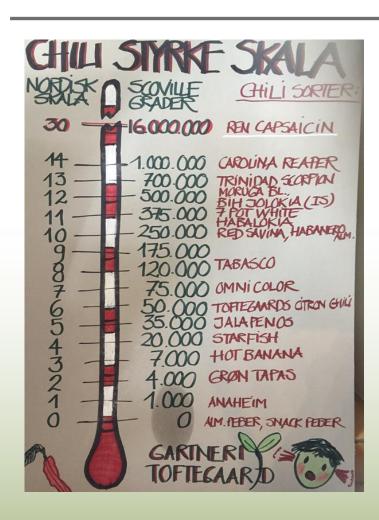
Validation of shopping list



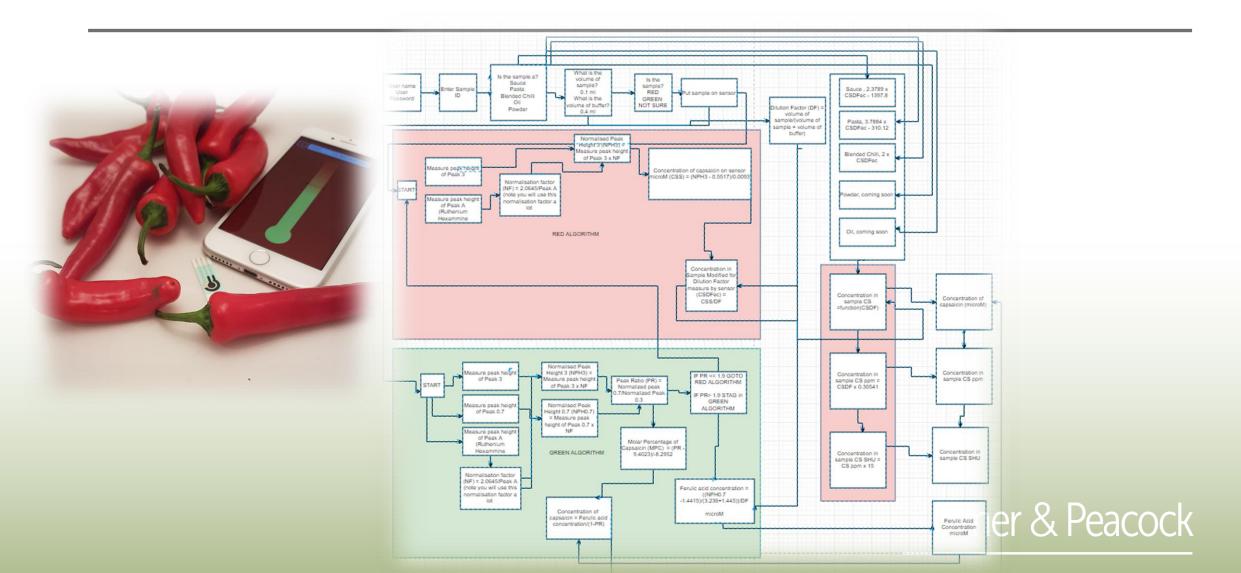
HPLC method



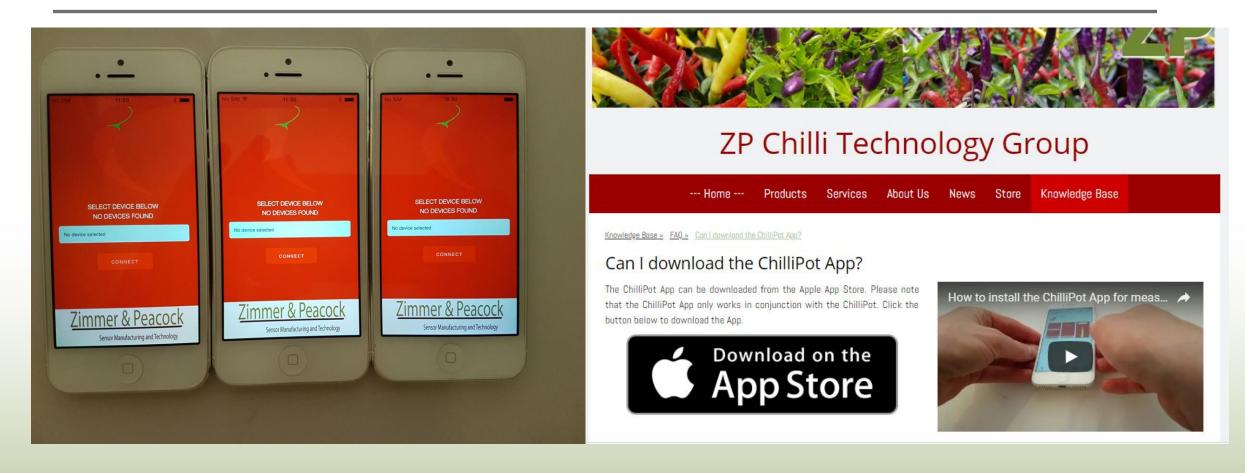
Scoville score - SHU



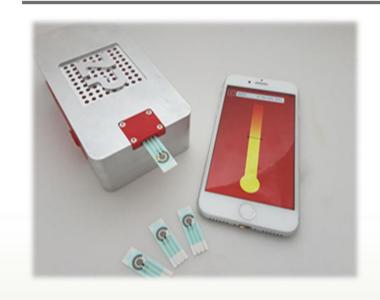
App development



i-Phone App



Sales and Marketing



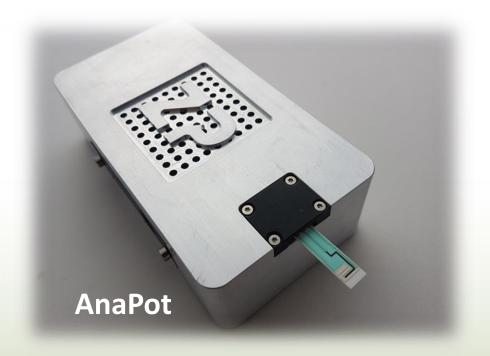


Next steps – menu expansion

- Garlic
- Ginger
- Turmeric

Oxford University senses spicy deal with Zimmer and Peacock





Time for practical

- ONE Take buffer solution and record a cyclic voltammogram.
- TWO To the solution add in a small amount of chilli sauce.
- THREE Compare the two CVs.
- FOUR Add in a bit more chilli sauce.
- FIVE Overlay all the CVs, do the CVs increase or decrease with chilli sauce.
- SIX Run the ChilliPot Scoville Meter ©

