



# Real E-Skin

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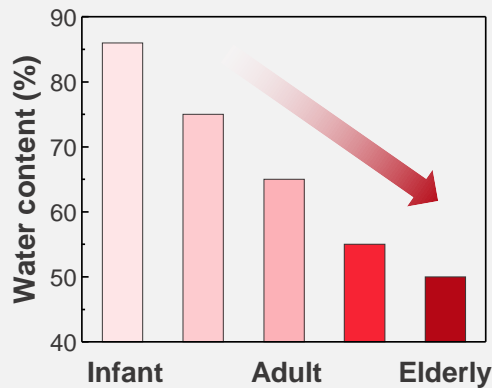
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# Dehydration of elderly people



Elderly seniors in high risk of dehydration

- Cognitive impairment
- Diminished thirst signal
- Less water content % (fluid imbalance coming from aged kidney)
- Frequent medication and possible diuretics



When dehydrated,



- Dry mouth
- Fatigue
- Dizziness
- Muscle cramps
  
- Difficulty walking
- Confusion
- Rapid heart rate
- Sleepier than usual

**Dehydration is one of the most common diagnosis on admission to hospital for older adults**

## Dehydration of elderly people



To prevent dehydration,

Periodically drinking water or  
Having a good habit of water supply

are the most suggested method.

**Continuous monitoring of  
dehydration needed!**

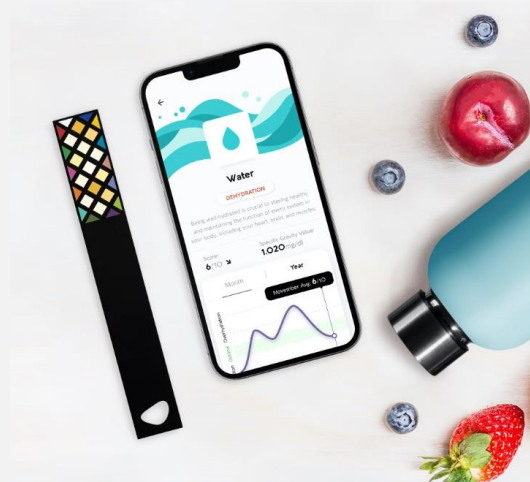
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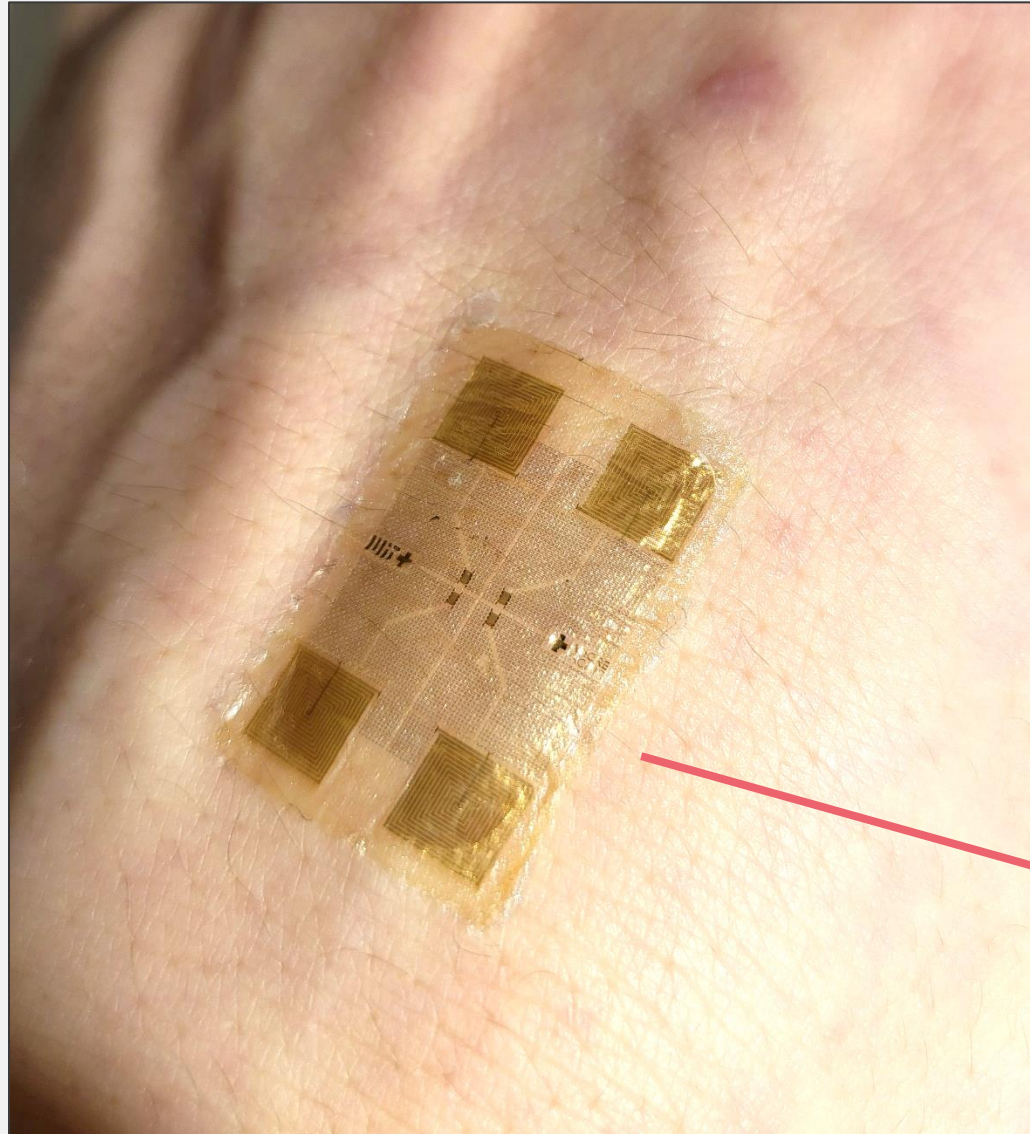


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## Electronic skin sensors for long-term wearability



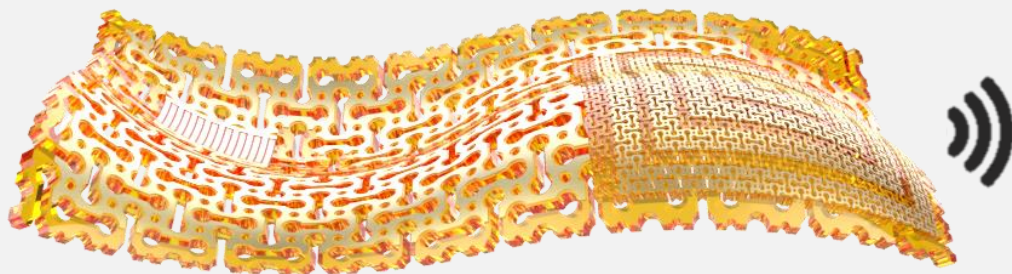
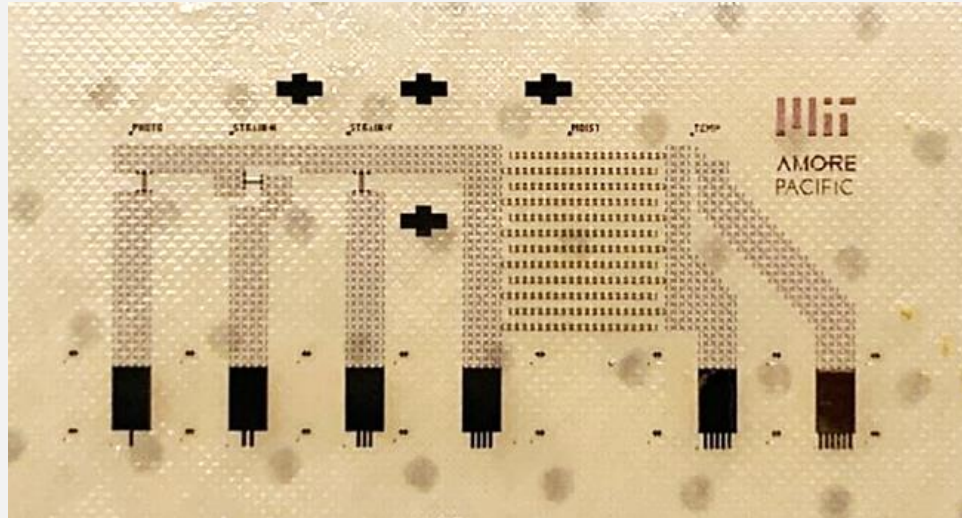
### Electronic skin sensors

- Extremely thin
- Minimized perception of wearing
- Highly conformal
- Breathable
- Stretchable
- Flexible

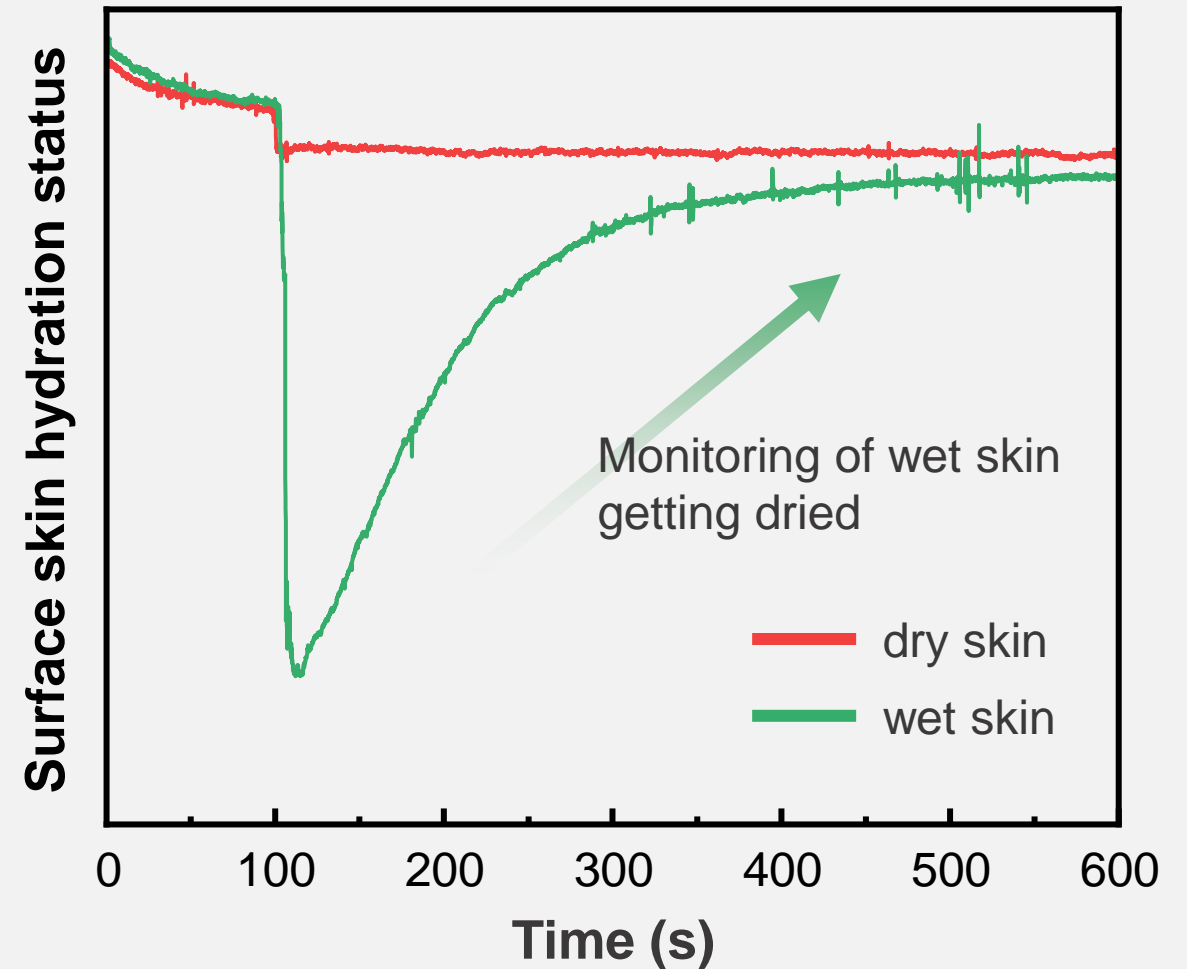


# Electronic skin sensors for long-term wearability

Surface skin hydration sensor + In-depth skin hydration sensor



Wire-less communication









# Our technology on electronic skin sensors

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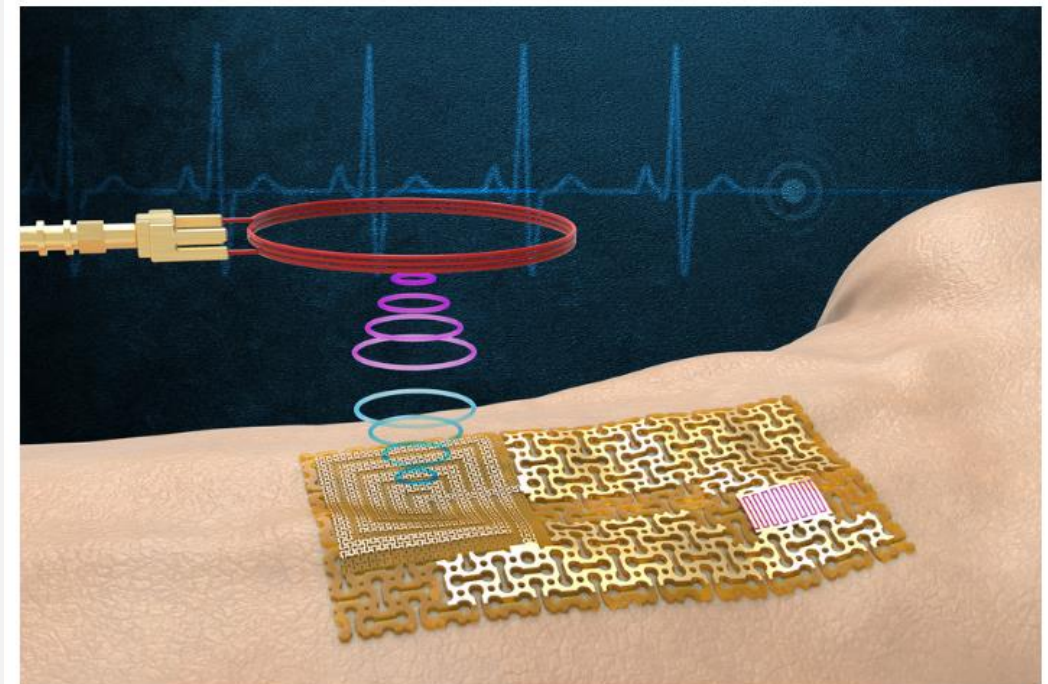
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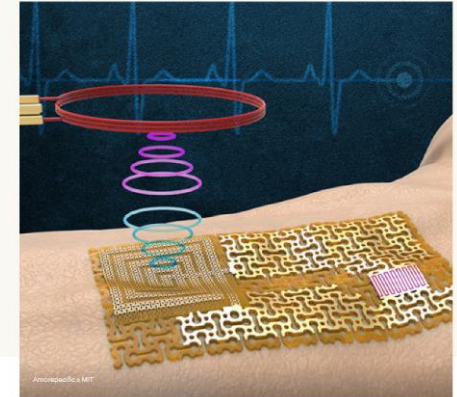
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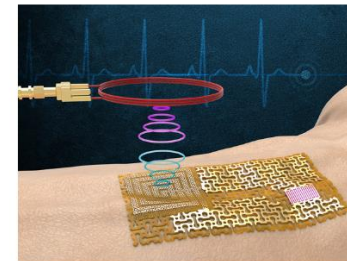
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## MIT, Amorepacific develop world's first chip-less, wireless e-skin



Gold deposited in a pattern of repeating dumbbells helps transmit electrical signals associated with individual medical data from MIT's "e-skin" to a receiver.

By David Godkin Sep. 6, 2022



Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) engineers in collaboration with South Korean cosmetic giant [Amorepacific Corp.](#) have created a chip-free, wireless electronic "skin" for sensing and transmitting vital medical signs minus larger, clunkier chips or batteries in most smartphones. MIT postdoc Jun Min Suh explained any change to the skin's conditions, such as an accelerated heart rate, affect the sensor's mechanical vibrations, generating an electrical signal that automatically transmits medical data to the consumer.

"The major advantage of our electronic-skin is that our sensor material can function as both sensor and wireless communicator without those bulky chips," Suh told *BioWorld*. "Our e-skin is so really thin so that the whole system conforms to the natural skin's surface and it's this that will be a major

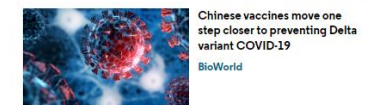
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**Healthy life can be achieved  
with prompt water supply  
using electronic skin sensors!**



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# Thank you

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## **Progress updates for IDEA<sup>2</sup>**

### **Specific targets are defined through a broad range of discussions.**

- The previous target was to replace Holter monitoring devices.
- Now we target to develop precautionary medical devices that can prevent hydration, especially for the elderly population.
- All possibly targetable medical symptoms are discussed in the aspect of our e-skin sensing capabilities.

### **Several contact lists have been made.**

- Actual meetings with 1 hospital physician and 2 companies have been done.
- Further interactions with others should be planned in near future.

### **Market studies have been done.**

**Overall, the Real E-skin team has been struggling in defining target customers although we have relatively well-developed technology. During the last 3 months, we could learn a lot from our mentors who are in the actual medical fields and well understand actual needs and state-of-art technology in the medical field. Through regular monthly meetings, we were able to narrow down our specific target goal and update our research statement.**