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Contactless Cardiac and Respiratory Monitoring



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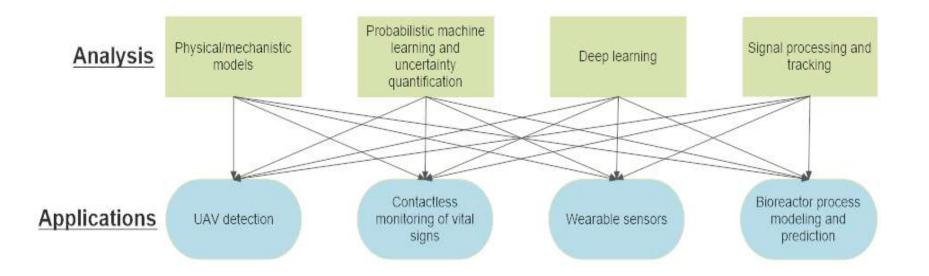
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UOttawa Computational Analysis and Acceleration Research Group (CARG): Methods and applications





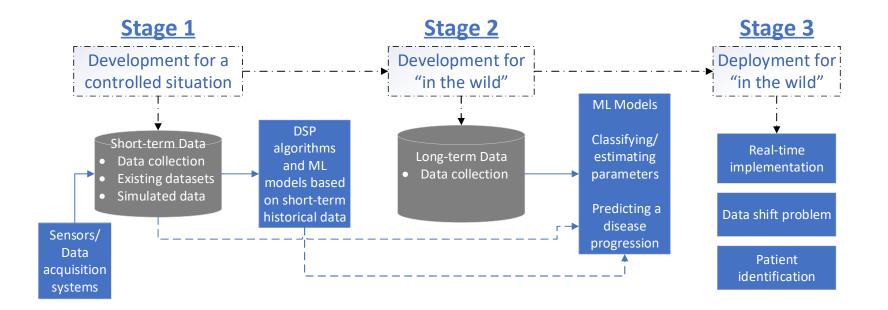
Data!

- "Large, well-designed, well-labelled, diverse and multiinstitutional datasets drive performance in real-world settings far more than model optimization."[1]
- Benefits of our own data collection:
 - Researchers have better appreciation of the problem
 - Work with patients/physicians/users and understand their problems
 - Analyze and apply methods that experienced physician use
 - Understand what is different in our data from the available online data
 - Understanding the domain shift

[1] A. Zhang, et al. (2022) Shifting machine learning for healthcare from development to deployment and from models to data. Nature, Biomedical Engineering



Stages of the projects





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What can be monitored at a distance?

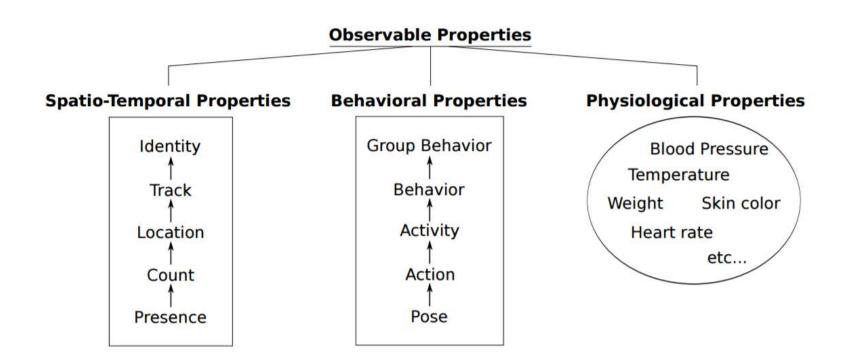
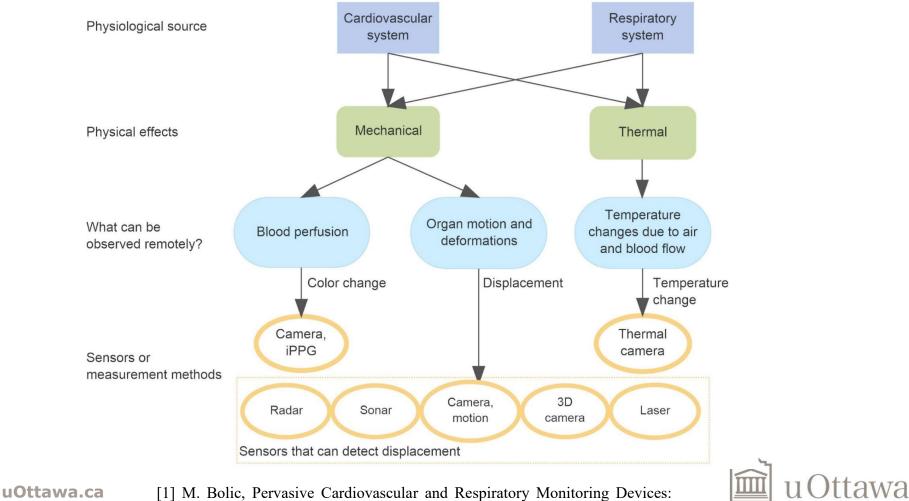


Figure is from Reference: T. Teixeira, at al, "A survey of human-sensing methods for detecting presence, count, location, track and identity," 2015.

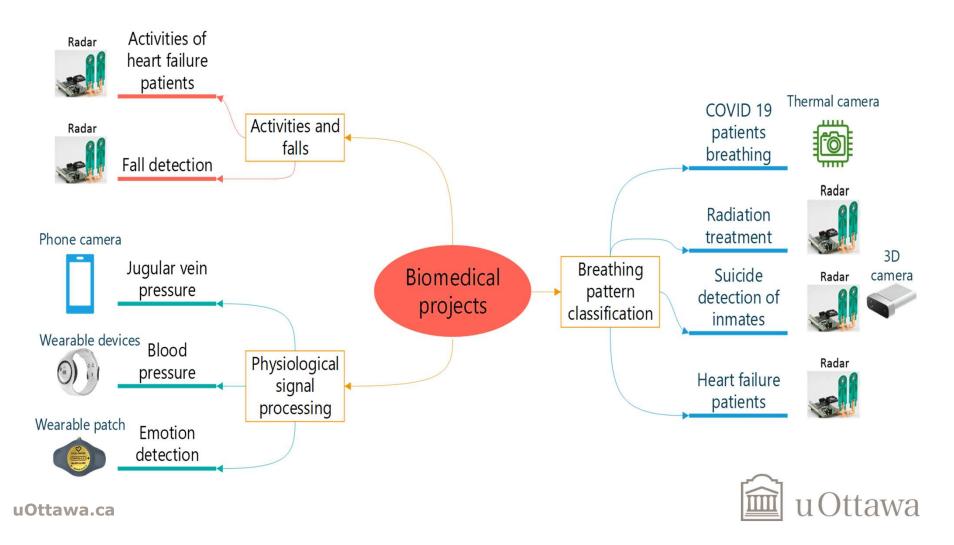


Classification of cardiac and respiratory sensors and operating principles for contactless devices



Model-based design, Elsevier, 2023.

CARG's current or recently completed biomedical projects

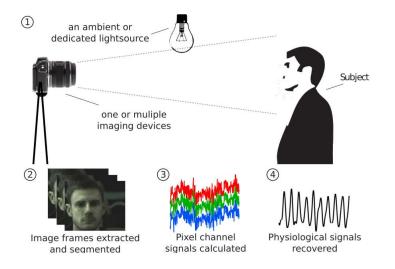


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Operating principles of video processing



D. J. McDuff, et al., "A Survey of contactless Optical Photoplethysmographic Imaging Methods," Conf Proc IEEE Eng Med Biol Soc. 2015.

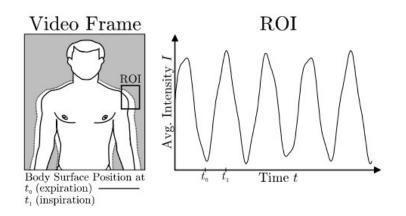


Figure is from : C. Bruser et al. "Ambient and Unobtrusive Cardiorespiratory Monitoring Techniques," 2015.



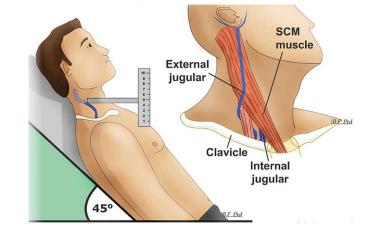
Vein pressure estimation

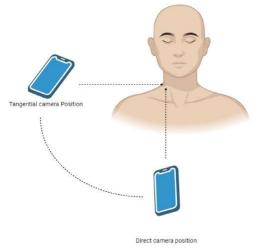
The jugular venous pressure

- the indirectly observed pressure over the venous system via visualization of the internal jugular vein.
- It can be used to differentiate different forms of heart and lung diseases.

Project

- Detection of right atrial pressure via detecting jugular venous pressure in RGB videos
- Novelty
 - Smart-phone based no need for special cameras or lighting
 - Al-based follow the physician's diagnostic procedure
- What do physicians observe
 - Double pulsation during one cardiac cycle
 - Movement of the vein during breathing
 - Different vein height at different postures

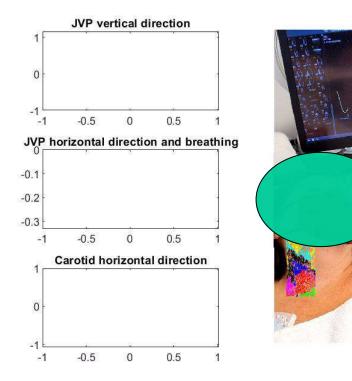






Example of videos

Optical flow – extracting pixel motion

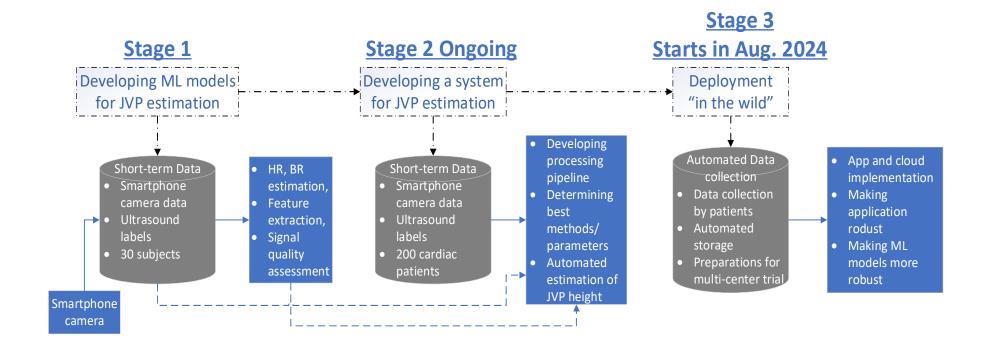






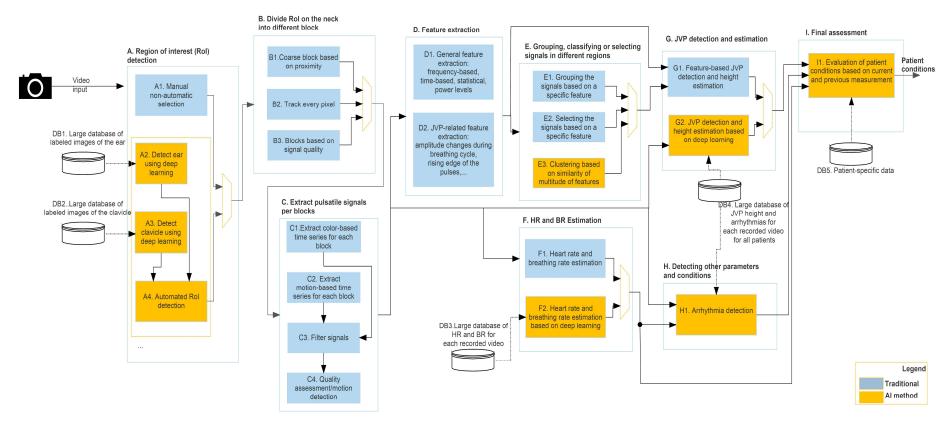


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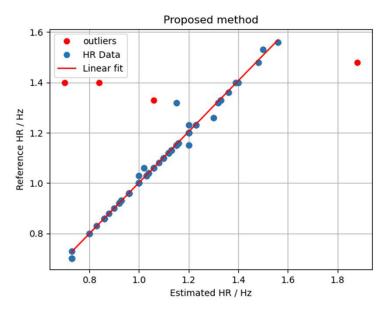


JVP processing stages





Results



Heart rate estimation accuracy

JVP height estimation



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T. Zhang, et al., "Non-Contact Heart Rate and Respiratory Rate Estimation from Videos of the Neck," accepted for presentation at EMBC conference, 2024.

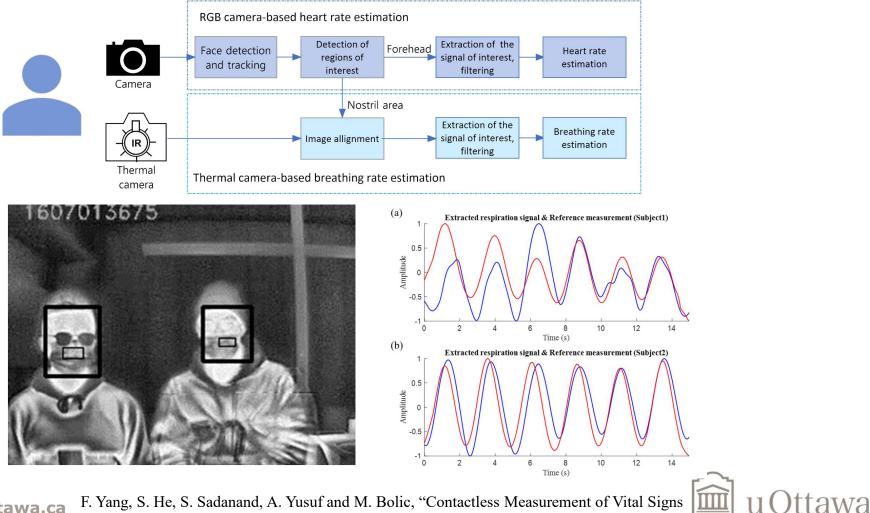


Ongoing work and future direction

- Sometimes there are not good quality signals from the neck
- Features are not consistent throughout the subjects
- The models have problems with atrial fibrillation patients
- It is difficult to train ML model based on time series when we have so many time series per recording per subject.
- Quantification of JVP height in relation to the neck based on the locations of detected jugular venous waveforms within the neck region. The pulses are propagated through the skin on the neck.



Camera-based breathing and cardiac monitoring



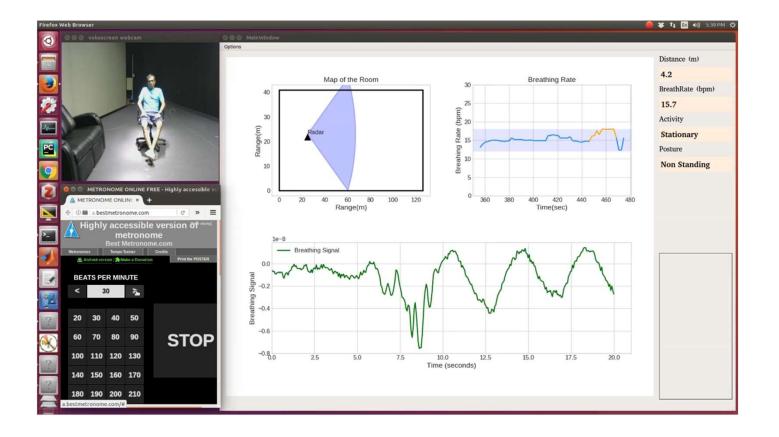
uOttawa.ca F. Yang, S. He, S. Sadanand, A. Yusuf and M. Bolic, "Contactless Measurement of Vital Signs Using Thermal and RGB Cameras: A Study of COVID 19-Related Health Monitoring," Sensors, MDPI, 2022.

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Processing radar signals





Radar-based heart failure monitoring

Project

- Monitoring heart failure patients with radar
- Monitoring elderly people in nursing home with radar

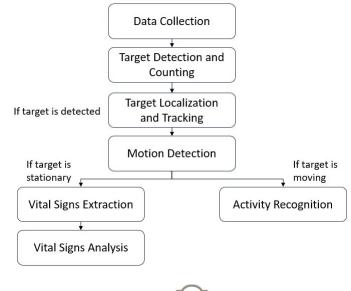
Objective

Implementing passive and contactless activity recognition and vital sign monitoring

Motivation

 To develop a privacy-preserving daily health monitoring solutions that can detect heart failure decompensation, falls as well as report on activities of people

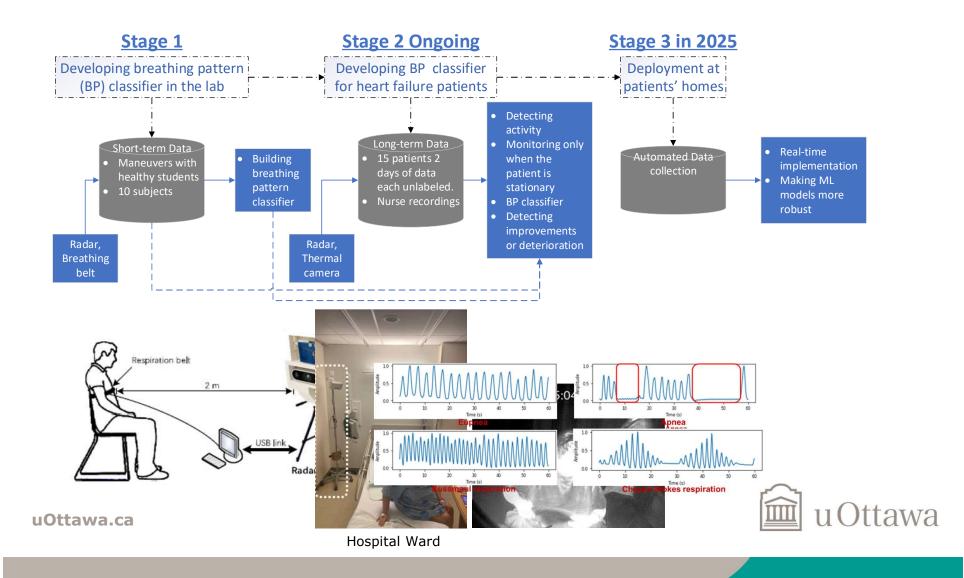






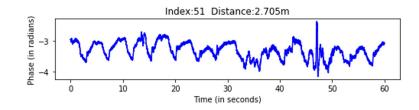
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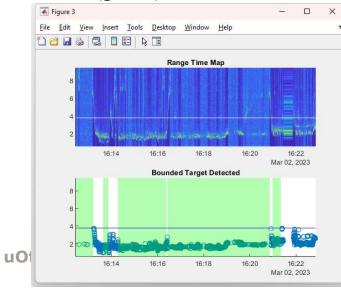
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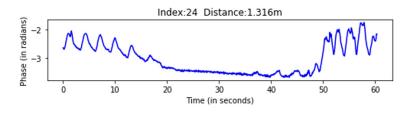
• Patient data:



Normal breathing pattern

Activity detection: Large (white) and Small (green) movements





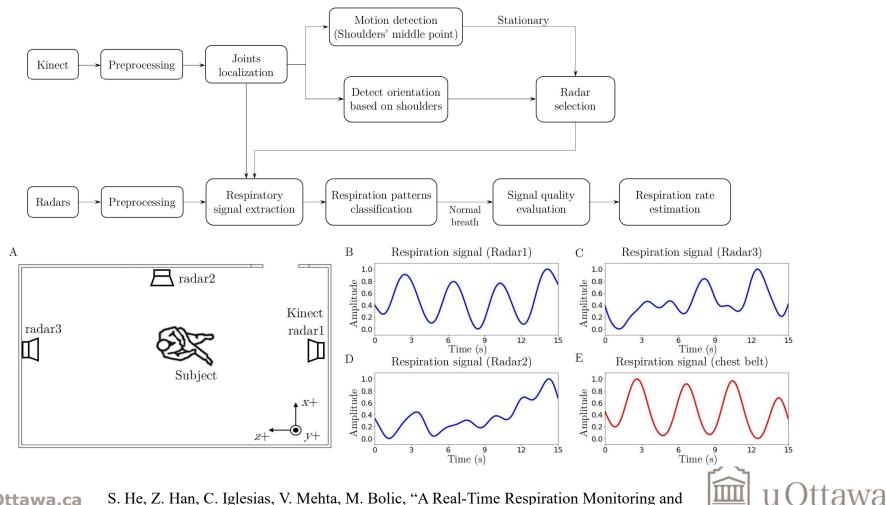


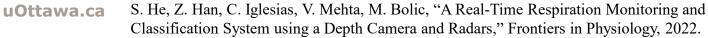
Breathing pattern classification results in the lab - Random forest

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
Eupnea	0.86	0.74	0.79	84
Cheyne Stokes	0.55	0.81	0.66	32
Kussmaul	1	1	1	34
Apnea	0.73	1	0.85	11
Moving	0.84	0.77	0.8	93

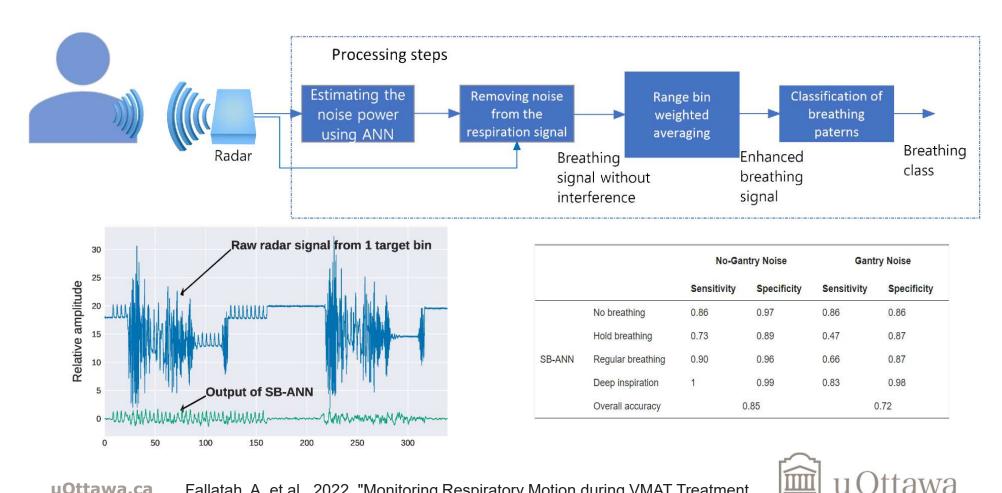


Monitoring inmates





Classifying breathing during radiation treatment



uOttawa.ca Fallatah, A. et al., 2022. "Monitoring Respiratory Motion during VMAT Treatment Delivery Using Ultra-Wideband Radar" *Sensors* 22, no. 6: 2287.

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Other projects

UAV-related project

- Completed
 - Multiple intruder UAS detection using UAV interceptors, with Thales and NRC
 - Detecting UAS intruders using ground sensors, with CS Group Canada and NRC
- Current
 - Power line detection
 - BVLoS infrastructure inspection
 - Multitarget UAV detection, classification and tracking
- Starting this summer
 - Comprehensive simulator of interceptorbased solution for multiple UAS intruder detection, tracking and intent-detection
 - Detecting intruder UAVs that communicate over 5G networks, with CS Group Canada

Wearable devices

- Simulation and modeling of biomedical devices
- Uncertainty quantification and sensitivity analysis



Pervasive Cardiovascular and Respiratory Monitoring Devices

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Major areas	Sub-topic	Researchers and Graduate Students	Collaborators
UAV Detection	Detection and classification of objects using UAVs	 Fardad Dadboud (Ph.D.) Hamid Azad (Research Assoc.) Meng Lian (Ph.D) Mohammad Akhlaque (M.Eng) 	National Research Council Canada, University of Victoria
	Detecting UAVs using 5G networks	Dr. Kesav Kaza (postdoc)Daniel Charron (M.Sc.)	National Research Council Canada
Biomedical	Blood pressure monitoring	• Shan He (Ph.D.)	Kyushu Univ, Japan
wearables	Emotion recognition	 Mehak Dhothar (M.Sc.) Hitham Jleed (Research assoc.) Rongchen Guo (collaborator) 	Orbmedic Inc., UOttawa Psychology
Biomedical contactless	Monitoring breathing and detecting falls using radars Monitoring using cameras and thermal cameras	 Zixiong Han (Ph.D.) Saad Rhanmouni (M.Eng.) Mohamad Hosein Davoodabadi Farahani (Ph.D.) Tianyu Zhang (Ph.D) Yang Hu (Meng.) 	Heart Institute, Ottawa Orleans Cardiopulmonary Group
Al Bioreactor	Scientific machine learning	 Cristovao Iglesias (Ph.D) Somaiyeh Khodadadi (collab.) 	National Research Council Canada