

Product Design Specifications

EWH Pulse Oximeter

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Function

The purpose of this project is to develop a low-cost pulse oximeter for use in developing countries. It will be integrated with an innovative medical technology platform which uses a laptop to record and display patient data. The oximeter must be rugged, durable, and inexpensive.

Design requirements

1. Physical and Operational Characteristics

c. Accuracy and Reliability:

- The probe must facilitate precision in increments of 1% SpO₂.
- The pulse oximeter must be accurate to within 5% (Fourtney).

f. Operating Environment:

- The device must be operable in 100% humidity.
- The device must operate in a temperature range of 0°C to 38°C.
- The device must be able to be dropped from 1.5 m onto concrete without breaking.

h. Size and weight:

- Size: the probe should be smaller than 4 cm × 4 cm × 3 cm.
- Weight: the probe should be lighter than 100 g (Princeton Tec).

j. Materials:

- Must be mass-producible.

2. Production Characteristics

a. *Quantity:* Mass produced.

b. *Target Product Cost:* under \$8. Though this is our target cost, our prototype can be above this specification.

3. Power and Data Transfer

- The device must interface with a central processing unit via a serial connection for both power and data transmission.
- The device must run on 4V and 100 mA.

3. Miscellaneous

a. *Sterilization:*

- The device must withstand sterilization with isopropyl alcohol (Fourtney).

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