

3-D Maneuverable Feedback-Controlled Micro Swimming Drone for Biomedical Applications

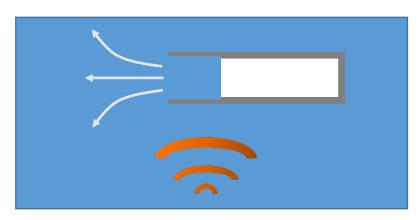
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Challenge

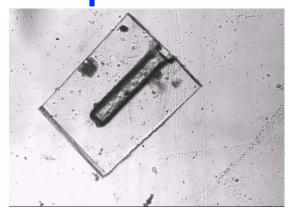
Develop a Micro Swimming Drone Navigating Human Body for Drug Delivery, Bio-Sensing and Bio-Surgery

Solution

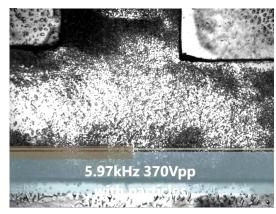
Bubble-powered propulsion: wireless, remote acoustic excitation



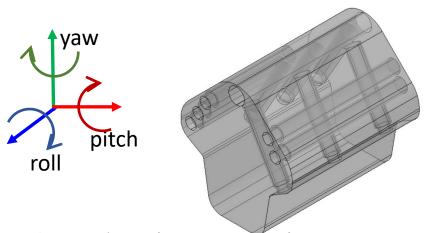
1-D μ-swimmer



2-D μ-swimmer



3-D μ-swimmer



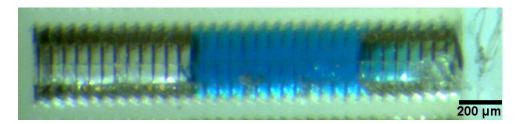




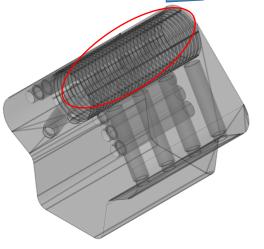
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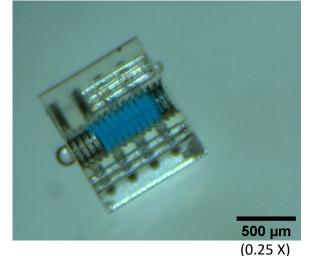
On-Demand Dose-Controllable Drug Release

Bubble 1 Loaded drug Bubble 2

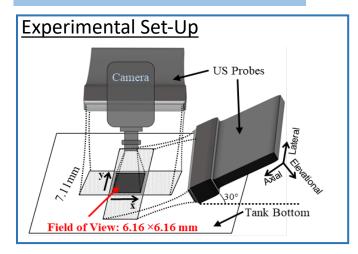


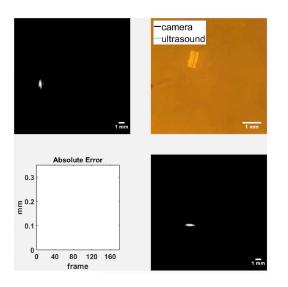




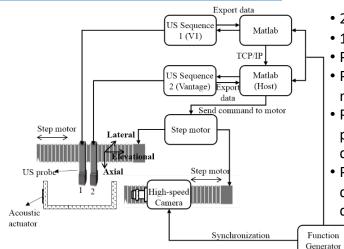


2D Imaging and Tracking





3D Imaging and Tracking



- 2 ultrasound probes
- 1 step motor
- Probe 1: elevational motion
- Probe 2: axial and lateral motion
- Probe 2 serves as the main probe to locate the micro drone
- Probe 1 is used for determining the moving direction of the drone