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Design and microfabrication of a miniature fiber optic probe with integrated lenses and mirrors for Raman and fluorescence measurements

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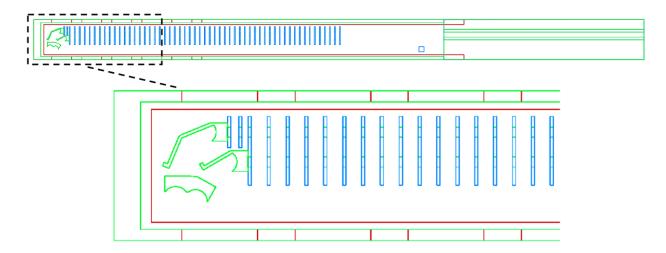


Fig. S1 AutoCAD design of a representative probe (side-firing), showing layouts of 3 lithographic masks. The first lithographic layer (blue) includes the skids for lifting optical fibers from the mold. The second layer (green) consists of the posts for holding optical fibers, and optical components at fiber tips. The third layer (red) includes a bounding box, used as the outer edge of the probe

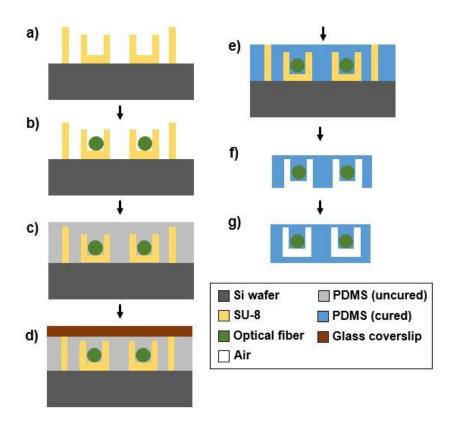
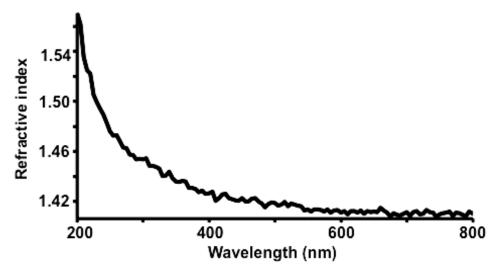


Fig. S2 Illustration of microfabrication process for optical detection probe. The SU-8 mold was created on a silicon wafer by lithographic process and its surface was silanized for ease of PDMS release (a). A pair of optical fibers were inserted into the SU-8 skid-and-post mold structures (b) and a small volume of PDMS prepolymer was poured into the mold (c). A glass coverslip was pressed firmly into the contact with the upper surface of the SU-8 mold; hence, the thickness of the probe was defined by the height of the mold (d). The silicon wafer/SU-8 mold/PDMS/glass assembly was placed in an oven at 95 °C for 45 min to cure PDMS. A glass coverslip was then removed (e) and the probe was released by peeling of PDMS from the SU-8 mold (f). The probe was bonded with a cover layer of ~ 100 μm thick PDMS to prevent dusts and/or solvents from entering air gaps (g)



 $\textbf{Fig. S3} \ \text{Refractive index of PDMS, Sylgard 184, from 200 to 800 nm. The PDMS was cured at 95 °C for 45 min}$

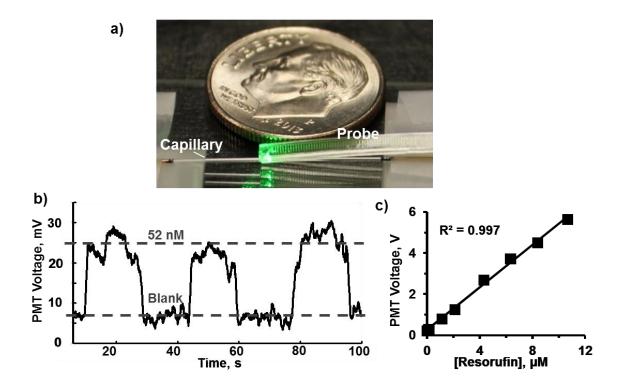


Fig. S4 Probe detection on a glass capillary. a) Image of the probe on the 150 μm inner diameter x 360 μm outer diameter capillary. b) Trace of 52 nM resorufin switching with a blank. C) Calibration curve of 0.05 to 10 μM resorufin, resulting in detection limit of 6 nM after 249 point boxcar smooth, acquisition rate of 250 samples/sec

Table S1 Summary of specific conditions for soft-bake, exposure, and post-exposure bake processes. The baking processes were two-step processes, with 65 $^{\circ}$ C followed by 95 $^{\circ}$ C. The exposure energy was 17 mW/cm^2

		Sof	t bake		Post-exposure bake		
	Thickness	65°C	95°C	Exposure	65°C	95°C	
1	110 μm	5 min	20 min	18 s	5 min	10 min	
2^*	$2 \times 150 \ \mu m$	$2 \times 5 \text{ min}$	$2 \times 30 \text{ min}$	28 s	5 min	23 min	
3	110 μm	5 min	20 min	34 s	5 min	29 min	

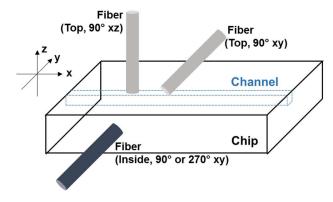
^{*}Layer 2 is 300 μm thick, created by spin-coating twice of 150 μm thick photoresist layer. The 300 μm thick layer was then exposed at once.

Table S-2. Comparison of microfluidic optical detection systems. A detection system typically includes light source, optical fibers/waveguides, and detector. Discrepancy of limits of detection (LOD) could be due to several variables, such as excitation and emission wavelengths, quality of light source and detector, types of filters, alignment and efficiency of waveguides, light pathways, and detection volume.

D. C	LOD		Chip		egrated	T. 14	Fiber 1 ^b		Fiber 2c	D. 4. 4.
Ref#	LOD	Analyte ^a		Lens	Mirror	Light source	arrangement‡	Channel dimension	arrangement‡	Detector
		_ ~	Glass		,		Top,		Same as	
*	6 nM	Resorufin	capillary	✓	✓	Laser, 543 nm	0° - 360° xy	(150 μ m I.D. \times 360 μ m O.D.)	Fiber 1	Filter w/ PMT
	100 nM	Resorufin	PDMS	✓	✓	Laser, 543 nm	same as above	$(100 \mu \mathrm{m} \times 60 \mu \mathrm{m})$	same as above	same as above
	11 nM	Fluorescein	Glass	✓	✓	Laser, 473 nm	same as above	$(80 \ \mu \text{m} \times 25 \ \mu \text{m})$	same as above	same as above
						LED, 494 nm	Inside, 90° or			Filter w/ µAvalanche-
38	25 nM	Fluorescein	PDMS	×	×	w/ Filter	270° xy	$(50 \mu \mathrm{m} \times 50 \mu \mathrm{m})$	No Fiber 2	photodiode
		Near-IR dye								Avalanche-
39	44 pM ⁺	(NN382)	PMMA	×	×	Laser, 750 nm	Inside, 60° xy	$(150 \mu \text{m} \times 75 \mu \text{m})$	Inside, 240° xy	photodiode
		FITC-labelled				White lamp w/		П		
25	17 μΜ	albumin	PDMS	✓	×	Filter	Inside, 90° xy	[50 μm × 130 μm]	Inside 270° xv	Spectrophotometer
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						_	u			Filter w/
37	21 nM	Rhodamine 6G	PDMS	✓	×	Laser, 532 nm	No Fiber 1	$(50 \mu \mathrm{m} \times 125 \mu \mathrm{m})$	Top, 90° xz	Spectrometer
						LED, 475 nm			Inside, 90° or	
52	120 nM	Fluorescein	PDMS	×	×	w/ Filter	No Fiber 1	$(110 \mu \mathrm{m} \times 40 \mu \mathrm{m})$	270° xy	Filter w/ PMT
							Incide 000 or			
53	50 nM	Fluorescein	Glass	×	×	Laser, 473 nm	Inside, 90° or 270° xv	$(100 \mu \overline{\mathrm{m}} \times 25 \mu \mathrm{m})$	No Fiber 2	Filter w/ PMT
55	50 mvi	1 idolescent	Giass	-	•	Laser, 475 mm	270 Ay	(100 μm ~ 25 μm)	110 1 1001 2	
						LED, 470 nm			Same as	Filter w/
54	200 nM	Fluorescein	PDMS	×	×	w/ Filter	Inside, 180° xz	$(1 \text{ cm} \times 500 \mu\text{m})^{\neq}$	Fiber 1	Photodiode

- a. Excitation and emission wavelength of the analytes listed in the above table:
 - o *Resorufin (570 nm/ 585 nm)*
 - o FITC/Fluorescein (490 nm/ 520 nm)
 - o NN 382 (780 nm/800 nm)
 - o *Rhodamine 6G (526 nm/ 555 nm)*
- b. Fiber 1 = waveguide from light source to sample
- c. Fiber 2 = waveguide from sample to detector
- * The microfabricated probe reported herein
- ⁺ The LOD was determined using S/N = 2. The low LOD was achieved using direct contact of the optical fiber with a sample

‡ Arrangement of optical fibers for on-chip detection



^{*} Not drawn to scale