Chemical Sensors and Biosensors: Fundamentals and Applications
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DESCRIPTION

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Chemical sensors are self-contained analytical devices that provide real-time information on chemical composition. A chemical sensor integrates two distinct functions: recognition and transduction. Such devices are widely used for a variety of applications, including clinical analysis, environment monitoring and monitoring of industrial processes. This text provides an up-to-date survey of chemical sensor science and technology, with a good balance between classical aspects and contemporary trends. Topics covered include:

• Structure and properties of recognition materials and reagents, including synthetic, biological and biomimetic materials, microorganisms and whole-cells

• Physicochemical basis of various transduction methods (electrical, thermal, electrochemical, optical, mechanical and acoustic wave-based)
• Auxiliary materials used e.g. synthetic and natural polymers, inorganic materials, semiconductors, carbon and metallic materials

• properties and applications of advanced materials (particularly nanomaterials) in the production of chemical sensors and biosensors

• Advanced manufacturing methods

• Sensors obtained by combining particular transduction and recognition methods

• Mathematical modeling of chemical sensor processes

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