## **Quiz: Week 1 Lecture 5 Principles of Electronic Nanobiosensors** Muhammad A. Alam, nanoHUB-U Fall 2013

Answer the **six questions** below by choosing the **one, best answer**.

- 1) The settling time of a nanobiosensor is given by  $\rho_0 \sim N_s \times t_s^{-(3-D_F)/2}$ . Which of these terms depend on the transduction mechanism of the sensor?
  - a)  $\rho_0$ b)  $N_s$
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  - c)  $t_s$
  - d) *D<sub>F</sub>*
- 2) The formula  $\rho_0 \sim N_s \times t_s^{-(3-D_F)/2}$  applies to all sensors with the following fractal dimension
  - a)  $0 < D_F < 1$
  - b)  $0 < D_F < 2$ c)  $0 < D_F < 3$
  - d)  $1 < D_F < 3$
- 3) The integrated density of biomolecules captured over a period of time can be used to see if the sensor response is diffusion limited or not. What time exponent would one expect for diffusion limited system?
  - a) 1/4
  - b) 1/2
  - c) 3/4
  - d) 1
- 4) What is the unit of the 'diffusion equivalent capacitance'
  - a) Farads/cm<sup>2</sup>
  - b) cm<sup>2</sup>/sec
  - <mark>c) cm³/sec</mark>
  - d) cm<sup>4</sup>/sec

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- 5) We have used a phrase "geometry of diffusion" to interpret sensor response. The geometry we are referring to is related to
  - a) The Surface to volume ratio of the sensor.
  - b) The fractal geometry of the sensor surface.
  - c) The geometry of the biomolecules.
  - d) All of the above.
- 6) In the plot of the performance limit of nanobiosensors, the response time reduces inversely with the density of the biomolecules. For very high densities,
  - a) All sensors will respond instantaneously, regardless the type of sensor.
  - b) The response time will still be defined by diffusion.
  - c) The response time will be defined by the rate of capture/release of the biomolecules.
  - d) The response time will be defined by the method of transduction associated with the sensor.

## End of quiz. This quiz contains 6 questions.